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Abstract: proposes resolution to link establishment terminology

Purpose:

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Terminology usage for link establishment in D2

Confusion on terminology

What does link establishment mean?

- Applicable to preamble, header transmission during packet transmission ?
- Applicable to establishing a link when network is formed?

Recommendation – delete all usage of the term

- Use “synchronization” for preamble, header during packet transmission (PHY)
- Use “device discovery” for forming the network (MAC)

Definition: Device discovery mode

Always uses OOK mode for all PHY types

Can use the optional PHR extension discussed in Intel contribution for dimming support

MAC and PHY capabilities are exchanged in the device discovery process

Clock rate support is also exchanged

Once the capabilities are exchanged, regular data transmission mode resumes

Definition: Synchronization

PHY concept

Preamble is sent at clock rate chosen by the TX and supported by the RX

Preamble is defined as a time domain sequence

Preamble does not have any modulation, channel or line coding

PHY header is sent at the lowest data rate for the chosen clock rate

Clock rate does not change between preamble, header and payload

Mode does not change between header and payload (VPM vs. OOK)

Recommendation

The term “synchronization” should be defined in D2 in the PHY section before use

The term “device discovery” should be defined in D1 in the MAC section before use

All link establishment terms in the PHY section of D2 should refer to “synchronization”

All link establishment terms in the MAC section of D2 should refer to “device discovery”

This should clarify all issues related to link establishment. There should be no reference to link establishment in the document