



802.15: “Wireless Specialty Networks” Projects Summary Overview/Status

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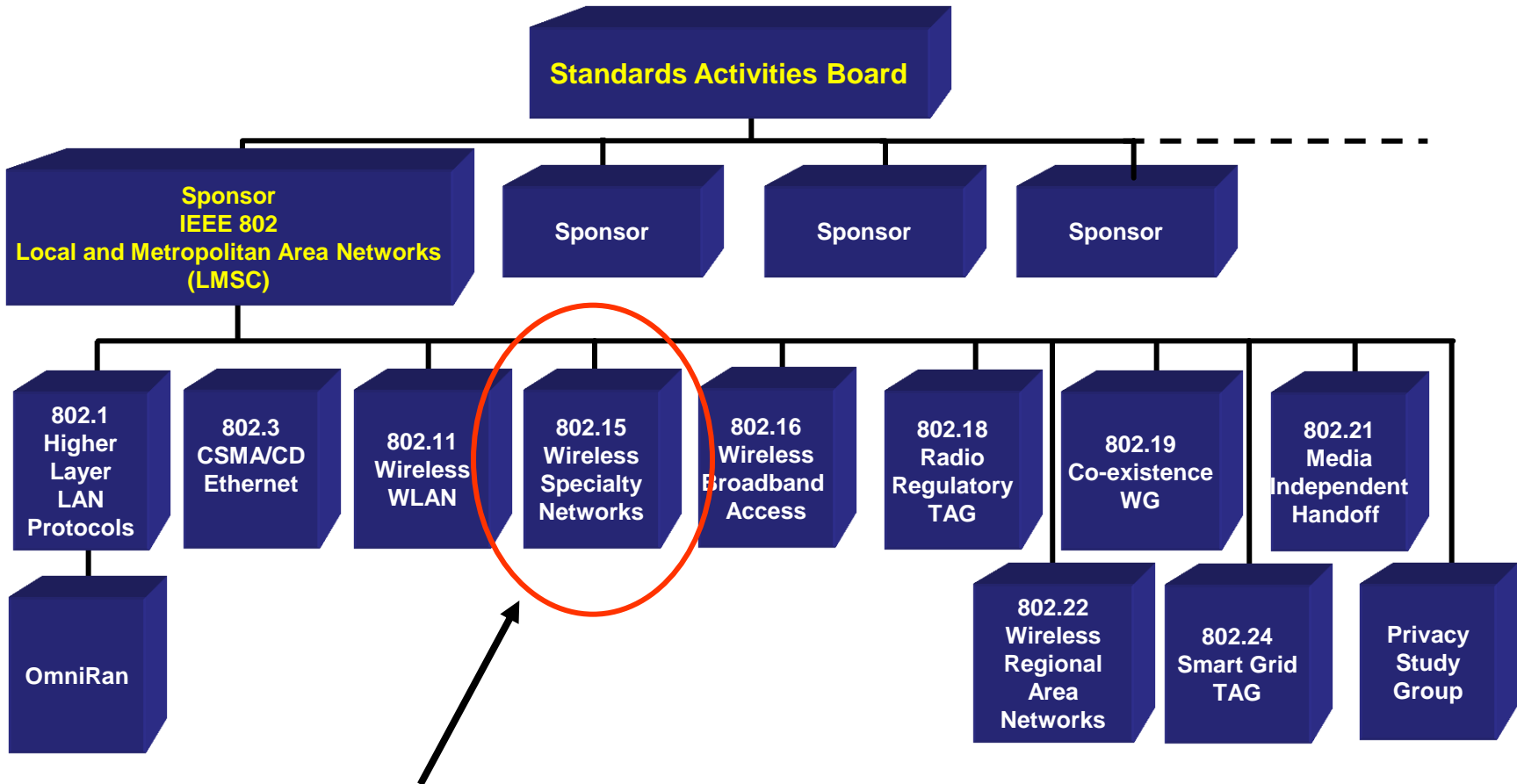
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802.15 Scope and Purpose

- Initial activities focused on wearable devices hence “personal area networks”
- Focus is on “specialty”, typically short range, communications. If it is wireless and not a LAN, MAN, RAN, or WAN, odds are its 802.15
- Activities are diverse and varied
 - Data rates from 2kbps to 2gbs
 - Ranges from meters to kilometers
 - Frequencies from 400MHz to 800THz
 - Predominantly non TCP/IP applications
- Only 802 Working Group with multiple MACs

802.15 Completed Projects

- 802.15.1 - Original Bluetooth
- 802.15.2 - Coexistence Recommended Practice Bluetooth/802.11
- 802.15.3 - High Rate (55 Mbps) Multimedia WPAN
 - 15.3 amendments:
 - 802.15.3c - High Rate (>1Gbps) mmWave 15.3 PHY
 - 802.15.3 Revision A - Roll-up of amendments b and c plus conversion from 64 bit to 48 bit MAC addressing
- 802.15.4 - Low Rate (250kbps). Energy Efficient WPAN for WSN type applications
 - 15.4 amendments:
 - 802.15.4a - Higher data rate 15.4 UWB PHY
 - 802.15.4c - Sub 1 GHz 15.4 PHY for China

802.15 Completed Projects

15.4 Amendments (cont):

- 802.15.4d - Sub 1 GHz 15.4 PHY for Japan
- 802.15.4e - 15.4 MAC Enhancements (GTS among others)
- 802.15.4f - 15.4 PHY for Active RFID
- 802.15.4g - 15.4 PHY for Field Area Smart Utility Networks
- 802.15.4-2011 - 15.4 Roll-up to include 15.4a,c & d
- 802.15.4j - 15.4 PHY using US dedicated medical band
- 802.15.4k - 15.4 PHY for Low Energy Critical Infrastructure Monitoring
- 802.15.4m - 15.4 PHY for operation in TV White Spaces
- 802.15.4n - 15.4 PHY for Chinese Medical Applications
- 802.15.4p - 15.4 PHY for Rail Communications and Control
- 802.15.4q - Ultra Low Power 15.4 PHY
- 802.15.4-2015 - Revision C (bug fixes and roll-up of amendments e,f,g,j,k,m, and p)

802.15 Completed Projects

- 802.15.5 - Mesh Networking Recommended Practice
- 802.15.6 - Body Area Networking for medical and entertainment applications
- 802.15.7 - Visible Light Communications using structured lighting
- 802.15.9 - KMP-Recommend Practice for a 15.4 Key Management Protocol

...Several projects targeting publication in 2017

802.15 Project Stages

3 Main Types of Groups

– Interest Group

- Determines if sufficient interest to form a Study Group

– Study Group

- Studies general need
- Develops PAR and 5 Criteria docs if project is warranted

– Task Group

- Develops Draft
- Runs Letter Ballot - 802.15 Voters
- Runs Sponsor Ballot - Any Voters

802.15 Active Projects/Status

IEEE802.15.3 Amendments:

- 802.15.3d THz band 100Gb/s PHY layer for point to point data center applications

STATUS: Reviewing proposals

- 802.15.3e High Rate (100Gb/s), Close Proximity Communications using mmWave for 4k HD MPEG file transfers in <250ms total transaction time

STATUS: in Sponsor Ballot phase, targeting going to Publication in 2017

802.15 Active Projects/Status (cont)

IEEE802.15.4 Amendments/Projects:

- 802.15.4r - Common 15.4 ranging protocol for Location Based Services indoors or out
STATUS: on hold
- 802.15.4s - MAC enhancement for improved spectrum resource utilization
 - Includes Tx Pwr Control*STATUS: in Letter Ballot phase*
- 802.15.4t Higher Rate Phy (HRP) - PHY capable of 2 Mb/s data rates, utilizing the 2.4 GHz ISM band, having backwards-compatibility to, and the same occupied bandwidth as, the present 2.4 GHz O-QPSK PHY, and be simple to implement.

STATUS: in middle of Sponsor Ballot phase, targeting going to Publication in 2017



802.15 Active Projects/Status (cont)

IEEE802.15.4 Amendments/Projects (cont):

- 802.15.4u - India Sub 1 GHz PHY (ISB): PHY for 865-867 MHz band in India.

STATUS: nearing end of Sponsor Ballot phase, targeting going to Publication in 2017

- 802.15.4v - Regional Sub 1GHz Band (RSB):
 - Define 15.4 PHY clause changes to use 870-876 MHz & 915-921 MHz bands in Europe, 902-928 MHz band in Mexico, 902-907.5 MHz & 915-928 MHz bands in Brazil, 915-928 MHz band in Australia/New Zealand that are not in 15.4-2015
 - Update the channel parameters for the 470-510 MHz band in China and the 863-870 MHz band in Europe to align them with current requirements.

STATUS: in middle of Letter Ballot phase, targeting going to Publication in 2017

802.15 Active Projects/Status (cont)

Revision to IEEE802.15.7 - 2012, Standard for Visible Light Communications.

- Extend spectral range to include near UV and near IR
- Rename to “Optical Wireless Communications”
- Add capability to specifically to address Optical Camera Communications for use with existing as well as future smart mobile devices

STATUS: Resolved Task Group comments on baseline draft D0, in TG D1 review, targeting going to Letter Ballot phase in 2017

802.15 Active Projects/Status (cont)

802.15 New Standards Work:

- 802.15.8 - Peer Aware Communications (PAC)
 - Standard for Infrastructure-less Peer Aware Communications among Mobile Devices

STATUS: in Letter Ballot phase, resolving comments from 1st Letter Ballot

- 802.15.10 - Recommended Practice for Layer 2 Routing (Mesh Under)

STATUS: nearing end of Sponsor Ballot phase, targeting going to Publication in 2017

802.15 Active Projects/Status (cont)

802.15 New Standards Work (cont):

- 802.15.12 - Upper Layer Interface (ULI) for 15.4:
 - Make IEEE 802.15.4 easier to use, like 802.11 and 802.3
 - Enable the use of many of the higher layer protocol stacks used by 802.11 and 802.3 without changes
 - Allow 15.4 to address new applications, yet maintain backward compatibility with existing devices and applications
 - Potentially consolidate L2R, KMP, 6T, & 6lowpan in one ULI
 - Will need tight coordination with 802.1 and IETF
- STATUS: Continue to develop content for draft*

802.15 Active Project Status

802.15 Interest Groups:

- Dependability IG (IG DEP): seeking to identify non implementation based strategies, which could be standardized, that inherently improve wireless link reliability.
- High Rate Rail Communications IG (HRRC)
- THz IG: Review and discuss the latest advances for using THz bands for wireless data applications

NEW

Low Power Wide Area (LPWA): Defining Objectives

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802.15 Other Activity

Joint effort with IETF:

- 6Tisch Interest Group-formed to support collaboration and coordination of 802.15 activities/positions with IETF on an activity to utilize capabilities in 15.4e in conjunction with IPv6, specifically time slotted channel hopping (TSCH).

802.15 Future Projects

802.15.4:

- Revision D – anticipated starting in 2017
(bug fixes and roll-up of amendments q,s,t,u,v,...)

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Questions?

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