

# ***BLUETOOTH* LOW ENERGY TECHNOLOGY TRAINING**



Agenda	Coverage
High Level View	What is low energy? Optimizations? Comparisons with Bluetooth, New Models, Gateways, Application Stores
morning break	
Core Spec : Controller	Physical Layer, Direct Test Mode, Link Layer, Host Controller Interface
lunch break	
Core Spec : Host	L2CAP, Security Manager, Attribute Protocol, Generic Attribute Profile, Generic Access Profile
afternoon break	
Applications / Use Cases	Client / Server, State & Behavior, Remote, Proximity, Automation, Medical, Qualification

# WHAT IS LOW ENERGY?

## IT IS NEW TECHNOLOGY

blank sheet of paper design

optimized for ultra low power

different to classic *Bluetooth* technology



## NEW TECHNOLOGY?

Yes

efficient discovery / connection procedures

very short packets

asymmetric design for peripherals

client server architecture

No

reuse existing BR radio architecture

reuse existing HCI logical and physical transports

reuse existing L2CAP packets

## BASIC CONCEPTS

Optimize **\*EVERYTHING\*** for lowest power consumption  
from the physics to the users

Why?

button cells will be main power  
source for peripherals

< 15 mA peak current

< 1  $\mu$ A average current



## BASIC CONCEPTS

Receiving more expensive, Transmitting cheap  
best optimize to reduce Rx time as much possible

Advertising Channels – discovery / connections  
just use 3 channels – requires modulation index change  
lowest power device advertises  
“Peripheral”

## BASIC CONCEPTS

Memory is expensive

- Memory requires silicon area – costs money

- Memory increases leakage current – costs battery life

Reduce dynamic memory footprint for specs

- keep packets short – less buffer memory

- keep protocol simple – less state information

- keep services simple – one protocol / defined behavior

## BASIC CONCEPTS

Keep packets short

when Tx – short packets don't need constant calibration  
reduces peak current during Tx

when Rx – radio on for less time  
reduces total current usage

Optimized for low power consumption





## BASIC CONCEPTS

Peripherals are simple – very resource constrained

optimize peripherals first

Central devices are complex – lots of memory & battery

not critical to optimize here

Asymmetric is good

Link Layer, Security, Application Architecture

# BASIC CONCEPTS

## Design for success

able to discover thousands of devices in local area

unlimited number of slaves connected to a master

unlimited number of masters

state of the art encryption

security including privacy / authentication / authorization

class leading robustness, data integrity

future proof

## BASIC CONCEPTS

Everything has **STATE**

devices expose their state

these are servers

Clients can use the state exposed on servers

read it – get current temperature

write it – increase set point temperature for room

Servers can tell clients when state updates

notify it – temperature up to set point

# BASIC CONCEPTS

## Client Server Architecture

proven architecture for web-infrastructure

Gateways allow interconnect of internet & low energy

weighing scales send reports to doctor

home security web site shows all windows closed

assisted living for your parents allows low cost monitoring

sports data immediately uploaded via cellular phone

## BASIC CONCEPTS

Modular architecture allows gradual innovation  
emerging markets well served

### Phase 1: Smart Meters

Meters publish rates / usage to home

### Phase 2: Smart Appliances

Appliance Power controlled from web site

### Phase 3: Smart Energy Brokers

Automatically schedule appliances depending on costs

## BASIC CONCEPTS

Cellular phones will create billion unit market in 2 years

Dual mode BR/EDR & low energy devices go into phones  
and computers  
and televisions  
and anything else that has classic *Bluetooth* now

Single mode low energy devices will connect to these  
huge pull from market for low energy devices

# COMPARISON WITH CLASSIC BLUETOOTH

Feature	BR/EDR	LE	Notes
RF Channels	79	40	2 MHz spacing in LE
Modulation	GFSK	GFSK	Simple and effective
Modulation Index	0.25 to 0.35	0.45 to 0.55	Wider signal – more robust
Max Tx Power	+20 dBm (class 1) +4 dBm (class 2)	+10 dBm	No “class” structure +10 dBm regulatory limit
Rx Sensitivity (typical)	-85 dBm	-85 dBm	Pathloss = 90 dB for BR Pathloss = 95 dB for LE
Range (typical)	30 meters	50 meters	Modulation Index, increased power for class 2

## COMPARISON WITH CLASSIC BLUETOOTH

Feature	BR/EDR	LE	Notes
Packet Format	6 (BR / EDR)	2 (LE)	ID, FHS, DM, DH, 2-DH, 3-DH - Advertising / Data
Ack Packet Len	126 $\mu$ s	80 $\mu$ s	63% shorter
8 octet Packet	214 $\mu$ s	144 $\mu$ s	67% shorter
Max Packet Size	2875 $\mu$ s = 1021 octets	328 $\mu$ s = 27 octets	LE very short
Max Data Rate	2178.1 kb/s	305 kb/s	EDR much faster
Time to transfer 1Mbyte	DH1 = 18.2 s, DH5 = 8.8 s, 3-DH5 = 2.9 s	13.9 s (LE)	LE less efficient for large packets
CRC Strength	16	24	LE stronger
Encryption	Safer+	AES-128	LE stronger



# COMPARISON WITH CLASSIC BLUETOOTH

Feature	BR/EDR	LE	Notes
Authentication	once	every packet	more secure
Acknowledge	immediate	sliding window	lower power
Topology	flexible	pure star	LE simpler
Discoverable	Inquiry Scanning 11.25 ms / 1.25 s	Advertising 1.25 ms / 1.25 s	10x lower power
Connectable	Page Scanning 11.25 ms / 1.25 s	Advertising 1.25 ms / 1.25 s	10x lower power
Discoverable + Connectable	Inquiry + Page Scan 22.5 ms / 1.25 s	Advertising 1.25 ms / 1.25 s	20x lower power
LMP PDUs	75	14	5x simpler
Feature Bits	59	1	59x simpler

## COMPARISON WITH CLASSIC BLUETOOTH

Feature	BR/EDR	LE	Notes
Connection time	20 ms (R0 Page Scan)	2.5 ms	8x quicker
LMP negotiation time	min 5 ms ~ 50 ms	no negotiation required	instant
L2CAP connection setup time	min 5 ms ~ 50 ms	uses fixed channel no negotiation required	instant
Time to send application data	30 ms ~ 120 ms	3 ms	10x quicker
Time to AFH	1.25 ms	instant	no penalty for coexistence
Time to Sniff Subrating	2.5 ms	instant	no penalty for low power

# COMPARISON WITH CLASSIC BLUETOOTH

Feature	BR/EDR	LE	Notes
Protocols Supported by Host	14	3	Only ATT required for all plain text applications
Min protocols for application	3 (SDP, L2CAP, App Protocol)	2 (ATT, L2CAP)	LE uses ATT for service discovery and apps
1 MB using BR	8.81 s	13.93 s	BR 60% faster for data
1 MB using EDR	2.93 s	13.93 s	EDR ~5x faster
1 MB using HS	< 1s	13.93 s	LE very slow
L2CAP overhead	4 to 12 octets	4 octets	LE basic headers only
L2CAP configuration options	7	0	Nothing configured in LE
L2CAP commands	17	1	LE very simple

## COMPARISON WITH CLASSIC BLUETOOTH

Uses 2.4 GHz ISM Band

Industrial Scientific Medical band

License Free – with certain rules

2400 MHz to 2483.5 MHz

Used by many other standards

IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.15

and many proprietary radios

## NEW CONNECTION MODELS

Bluetooth BR/EDR is largely cable replacement:

- Headset Cables

- Mouse Cables

- Keyboard Cables

Bluetooth low energy is application enabling:

- Accessories for smartphone apps

- Internet connected devices

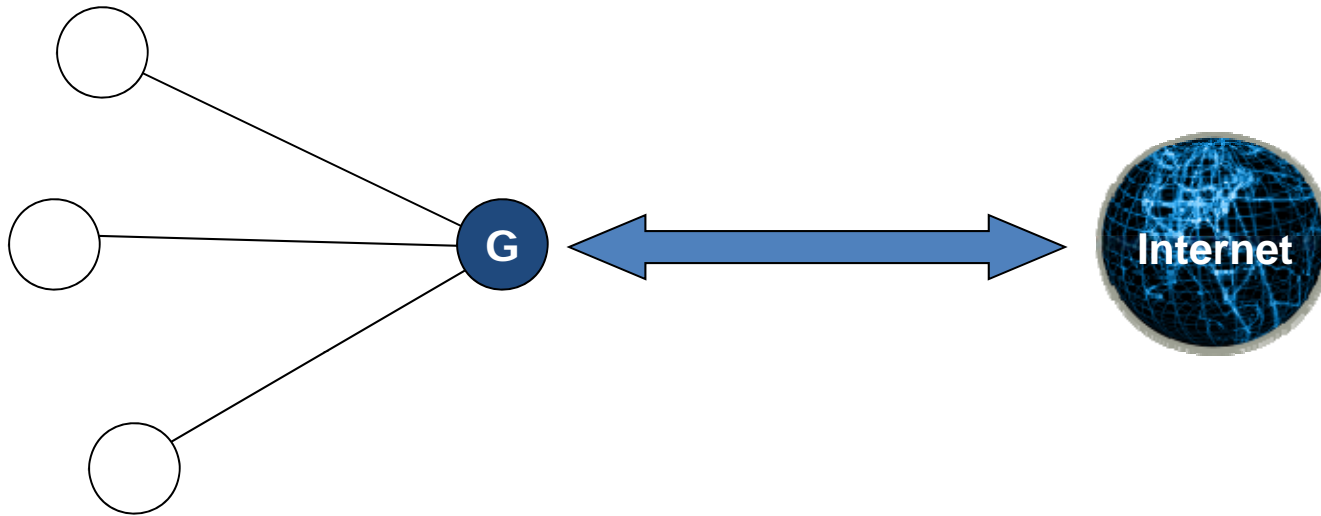
- New billion unit markets

# NEW MARKETS NEED NEW TOPOLOGIES

	TAM	Topology
Phone accessories	> 10 billion	P2P / Gateway
Smart Energy (meters & displays).	~ 1 billion	Gateway Hub
Home Automation	> 5 billion	Gateway / Mesh
Health, Wellness, Sports & Fitness	> 10 billion	P2P / Gateway
Assisted Living	> 5 billion	Gateway
Animal Tagging	~ 3 billion	P2P
Intelligent Transport Systems	> 1 billion	?
M2M (Internet connected devices)	> 10 billion	Gateway

Over 90% of the next 50 billion devices may use a gateway topology

# GATEWAYS, END TO END & APPS



Devices talk through gateways to web apps.

They can cause specific apps to be loaded on a gateway device.

Internet apps communicate directly with the device – the gateway is just a tunnel.

Gateways are generic.

*Bluetooth* low energy supports this better than any other standard.

## GATEWAYS ARE GENERIC

A Gateway application has limited functionality

- It finds out what the device wants to connect to.

- It provides a secure, transparent tunnel to that destination.

Handsets can ship with generic gateways apps

- The connect ANY device to its internet host

- Users don't need to load any drivers or software.

Gateways enable Internet connected devices.



# DEVICES SHIP WITH A WEB ADDRESS

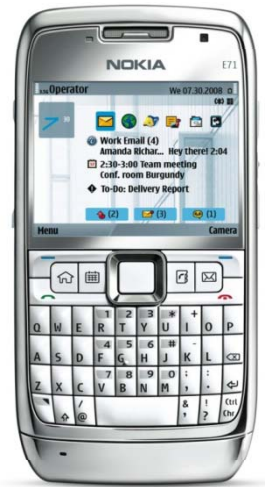


# DEVICES SHIP WITH A WEB ADDRESS

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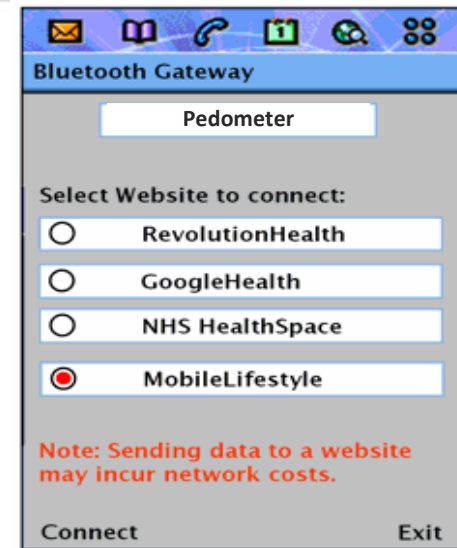
# THEY CONNECT TO A GENERIC GATEWAY APP



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## THE APPS STORE MODEL

The user paradigm has changed

Smartphones are enabling a new application market

Today that stops at the phone

Bluetooth low energy allows it to extend to devices

Operators can make revenue without the keyboard being touched.

Connected devices mean many new applications

low energy devices can make Apps selection easy

# DEVICES TELL THE PHONE WHAT THEY ARE



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**Pedometer**  
**Acme Model XYZ**  
**Steps per Minute**  
**Total Steps**  
**Calories Used**  
**Find me an APP...**

## MAKING APPS DOWNLOADS EASY

A low energy device can tell a client device exactly what it can do, by having its services read.

This can include the location of preferred apps for a smartphone.

A generic application on a handset can use this information to interrogate an Apps store to provide a list of applications that are known to work with the device.

The user experience is significantly improved, as choosing a compatible app is made much easier.

# TAILORING THE APPLICATION STORE CHOICE



Easy to buy  
=  
More revenue

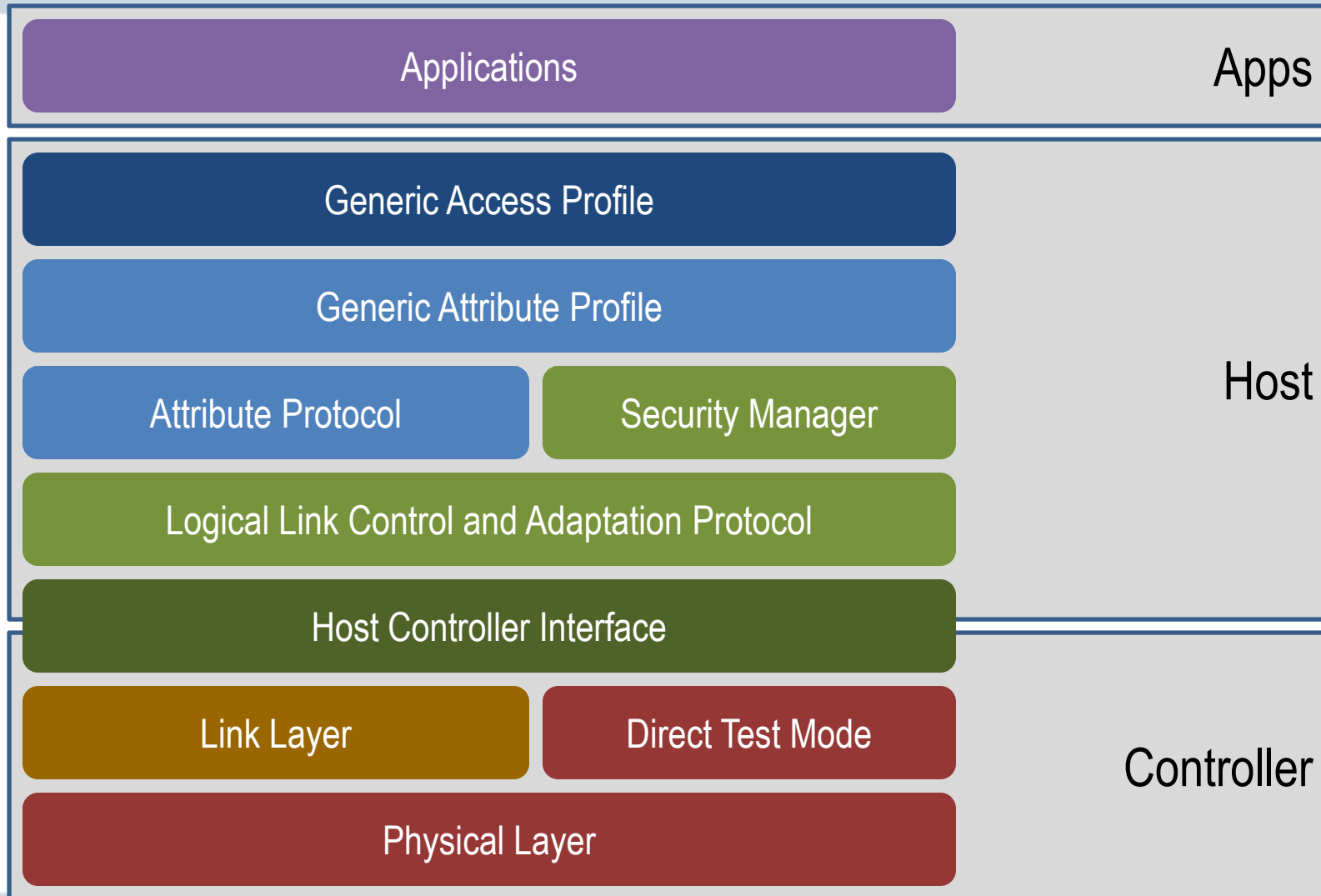
Guaranteed to work = More downloads

# MORNING BREAK

*return at 11:00*

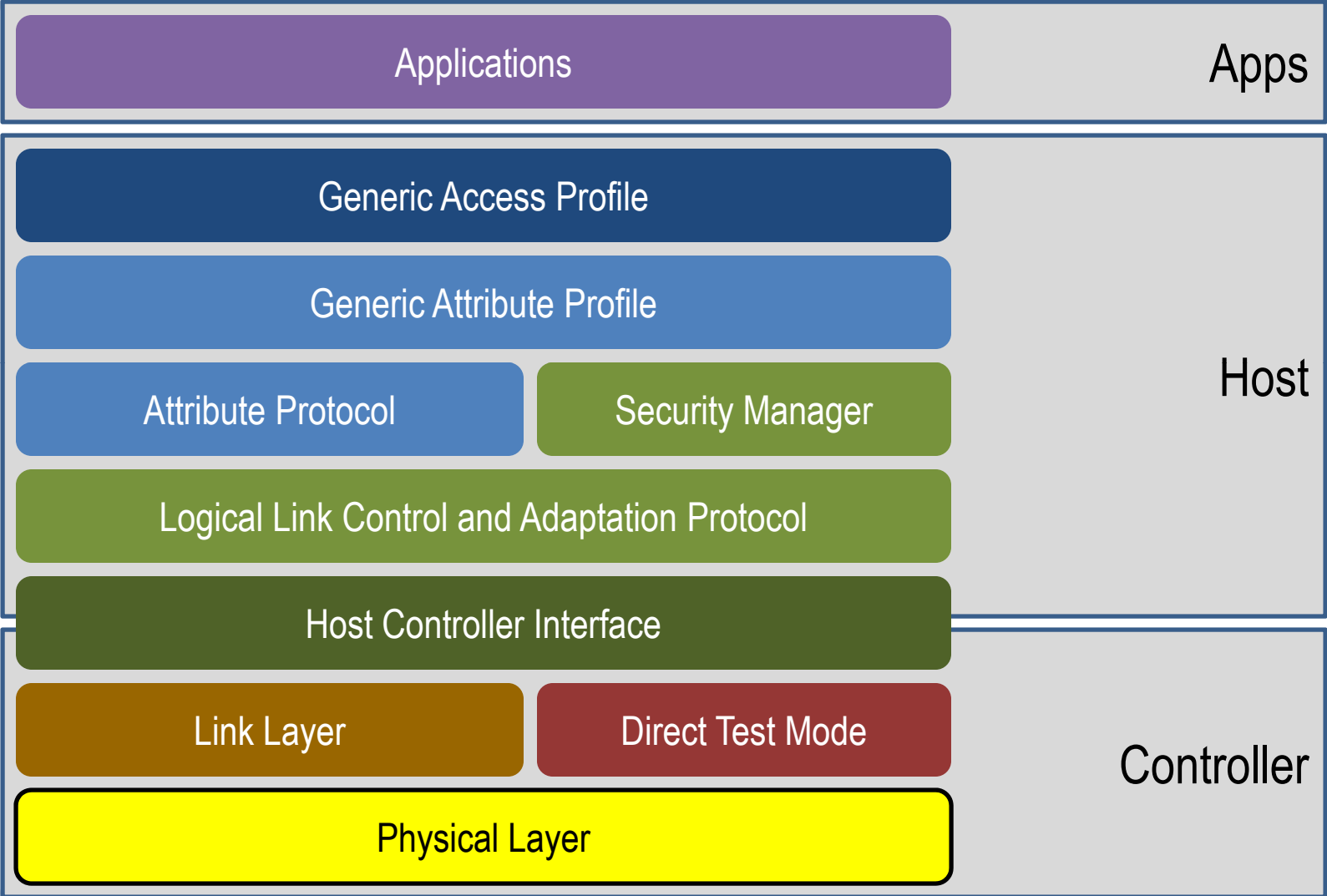


# STACK ARCHITECTURE





# PHYSICAL LAYER



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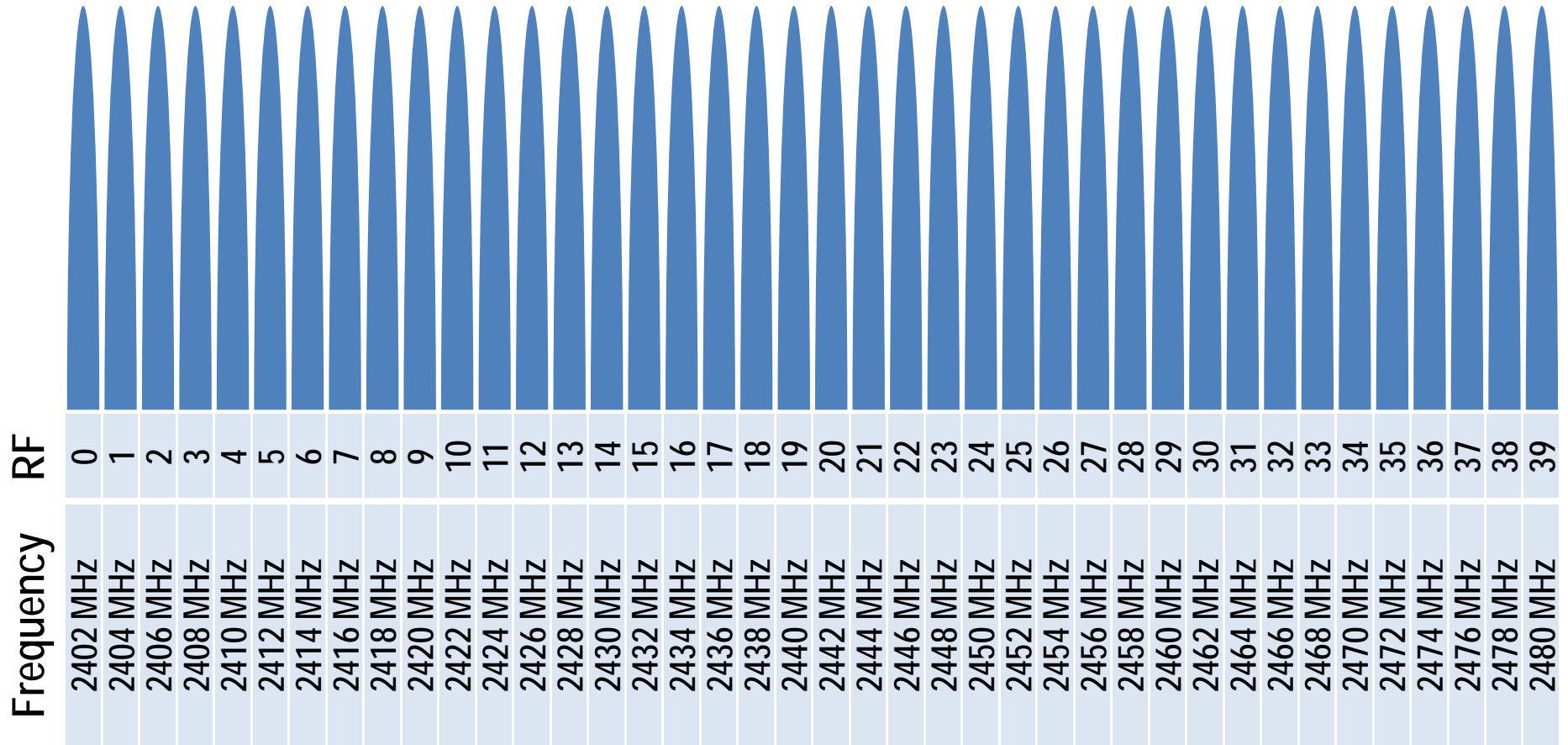
Used by many other standards

IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.15

and many proprietary radios

# 40 PHYSICAL CHANNELS

$$f = 2402 + 2 \cdot k \text{ MHz}$$



# MODULATION

## GFSK Modulation

bit period product  $BT = 0.5$

modulation index =  $0.5 \pm 0.05$

PHY Bandwidth = 1 million bits / seconds

## Why GFSK?

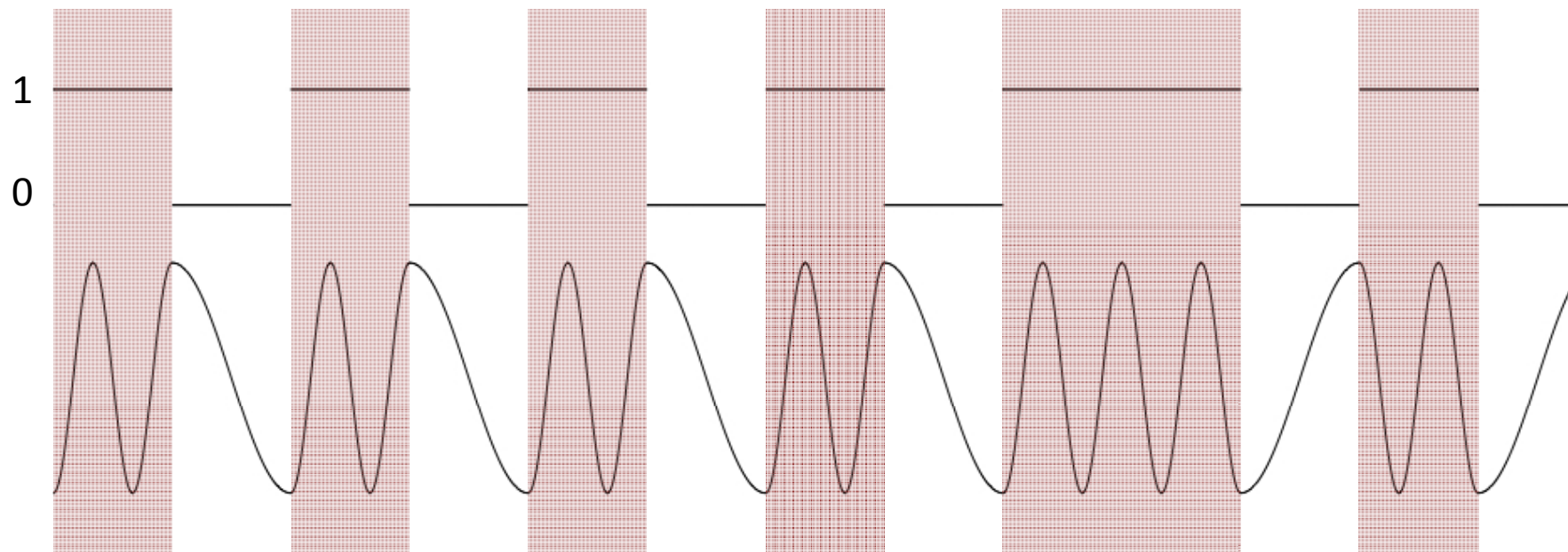
“pulse shaping”

Gaussian filter smoothes transitions from zero to one  
reduces spectral width

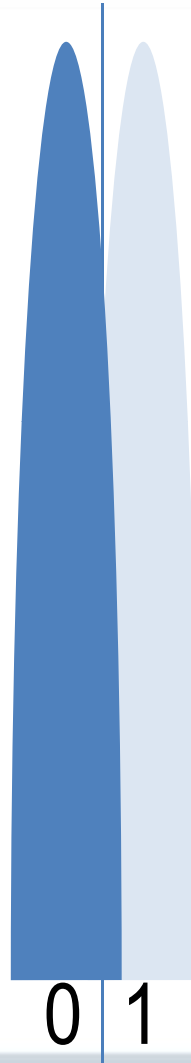




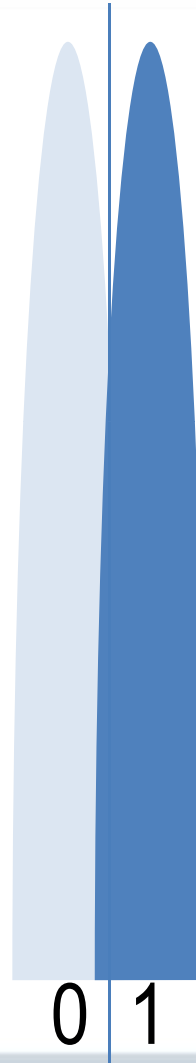
# GFSK MODULATION EXAMPLE



# WHEN TRANSMITTING A '0'



# WHEN TRANSMITTING A '1'





# POWER

Minimum Output Power

0.01 mW (-20 dBm)

Maximum Output Power

10 mW (10 dBm)

Receiver sensitivity < -70 dBm

When BER of 0.1%

# RANGE

With Tx = 0 dBm and Rx = -70 dBm

Range ~ 30m

With Tx = 10 dBm and Rx = -90 dBm

Range > 100m

# PHYSICAL LAYER SUMMARY

## 2.4 GHz GFSK

Modulation Index =  $\sim 0.5$

40 channels

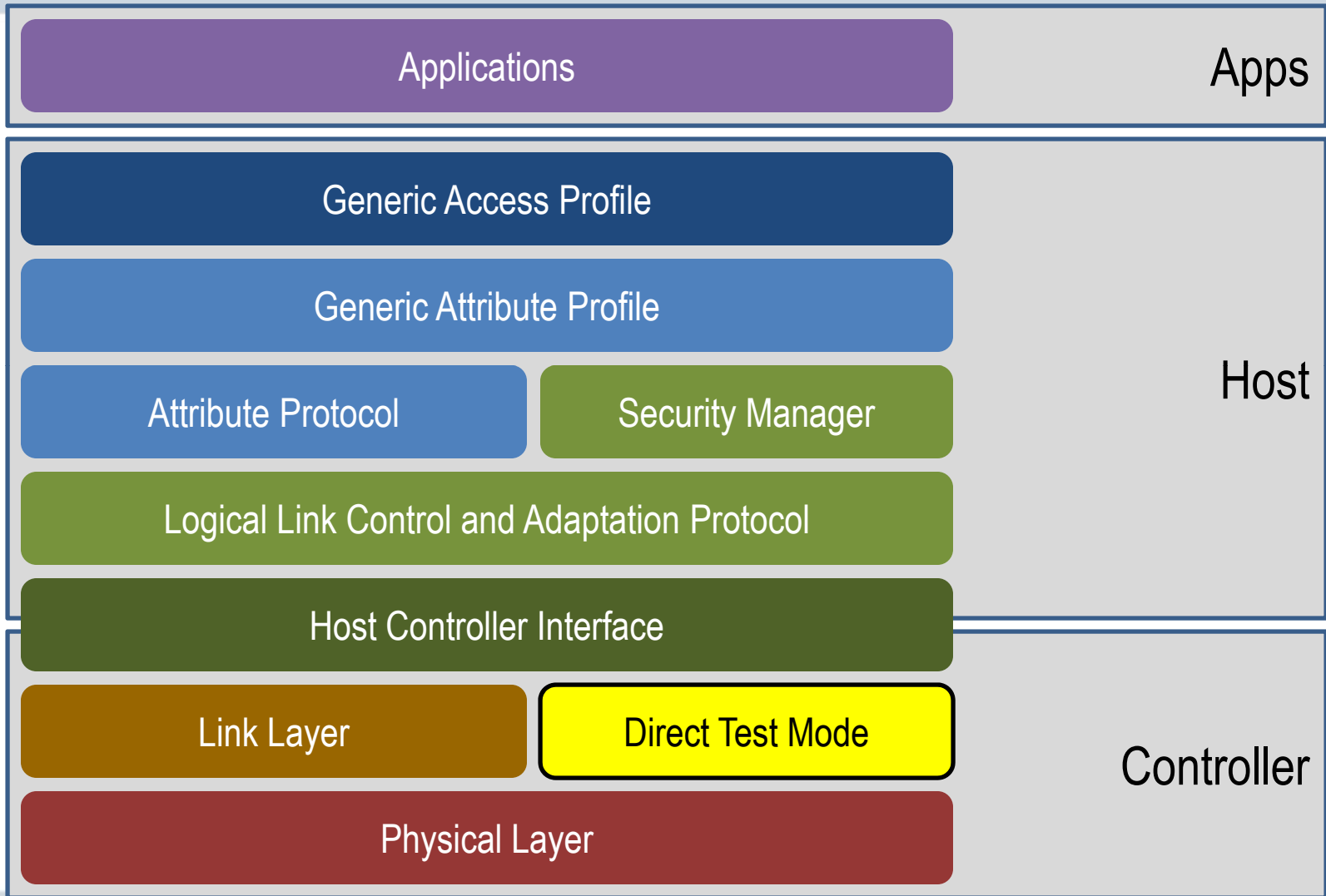
2 MHz channel spacing

2402 MHz to 2480 MHz

Range

30m to further than 100 m

# DIRECT TEST MODE



## DIRECT TEST MODE

Used to test Physical Layer

by commanding a device to transmit or receive test packets

Used for PHY RF qualification tests

Can also be used to production line tests

Can run over standard HCI interface

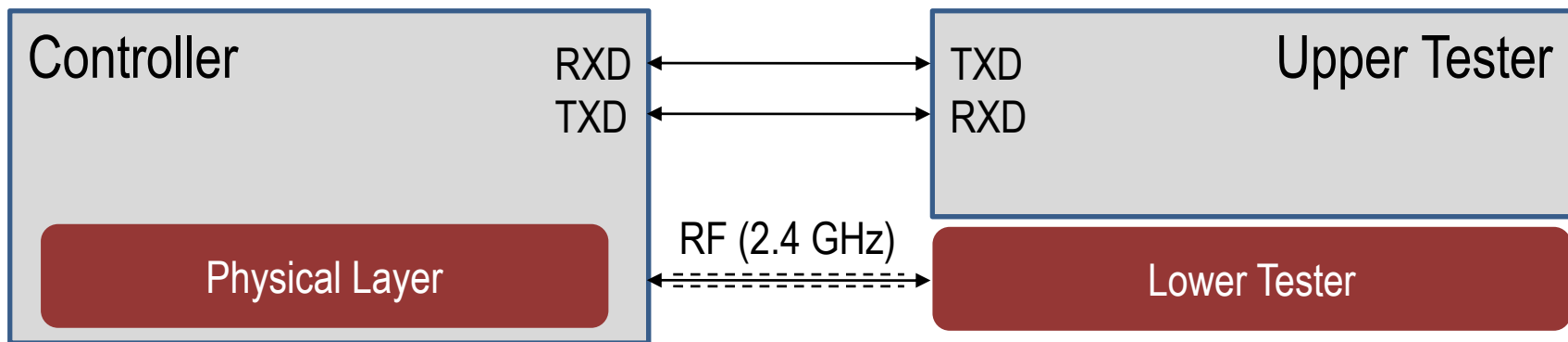
can also use specific 2-wire UART interface

# DIRECT TEST MODE

Can use 2-wire UART interface

Uses very simple commands

Allows all controllers to be tested simply

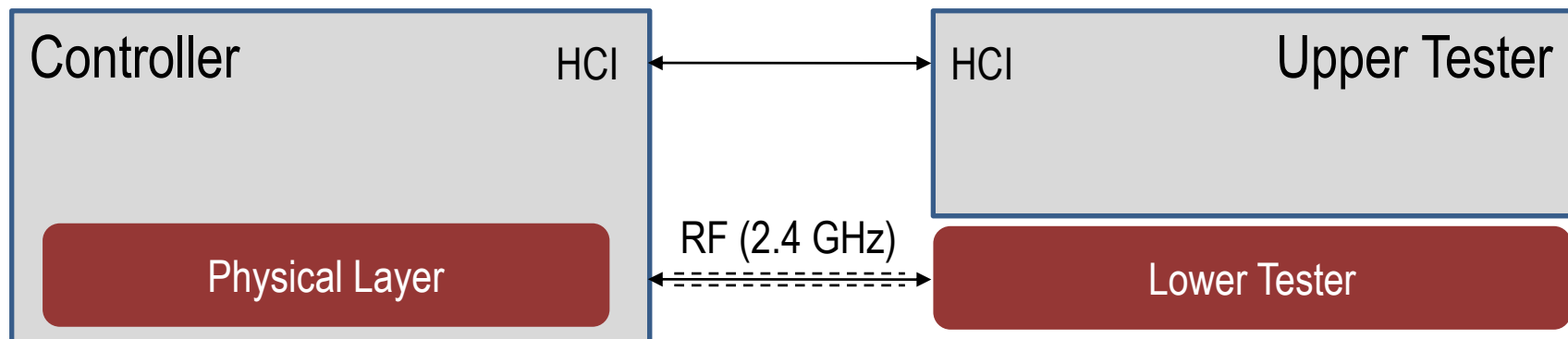


# DIRECT TEST MODE

Can also use standard HCI

Uses very simple HCI commands / events

Can use any transport: 3-wire, UART, USB, SDIO, etc...

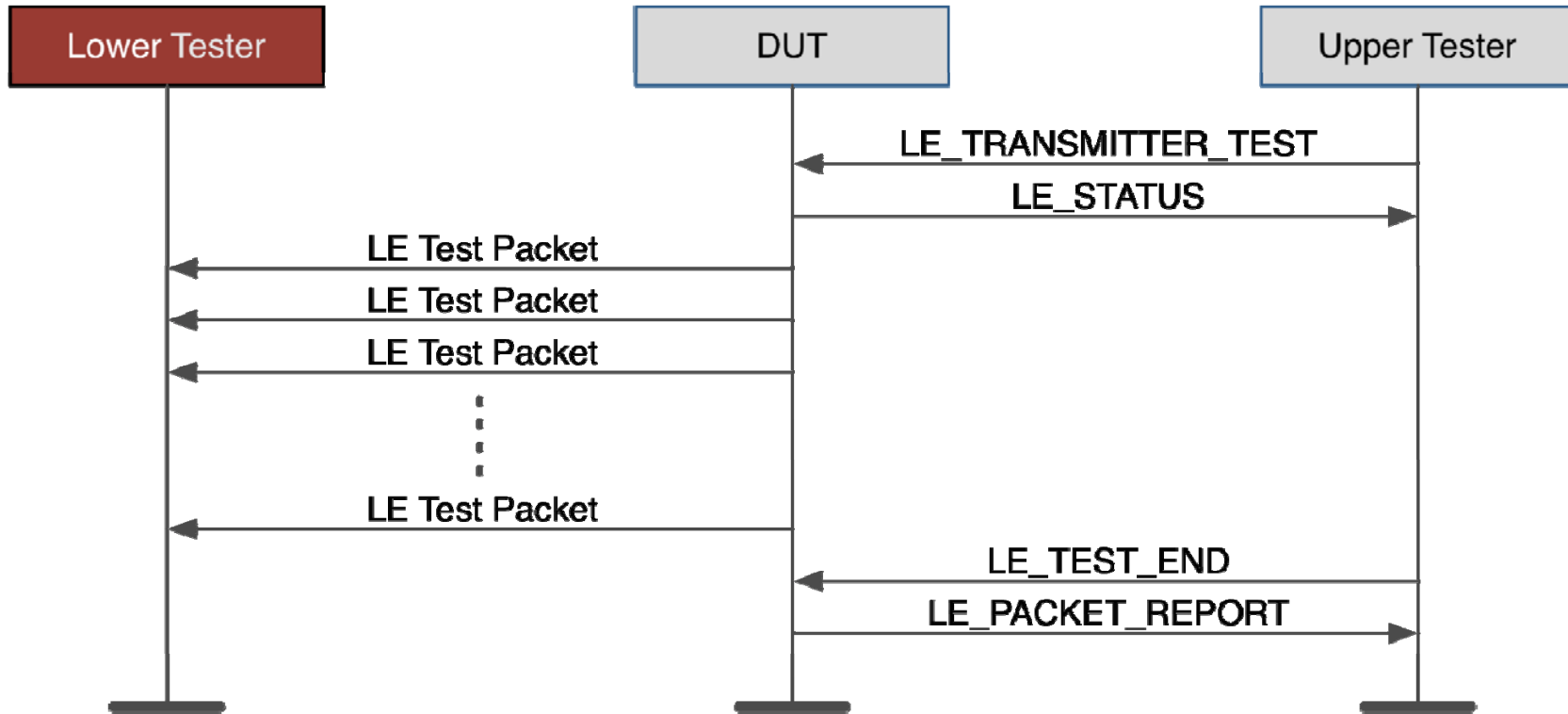


# TEST SEQUENCES

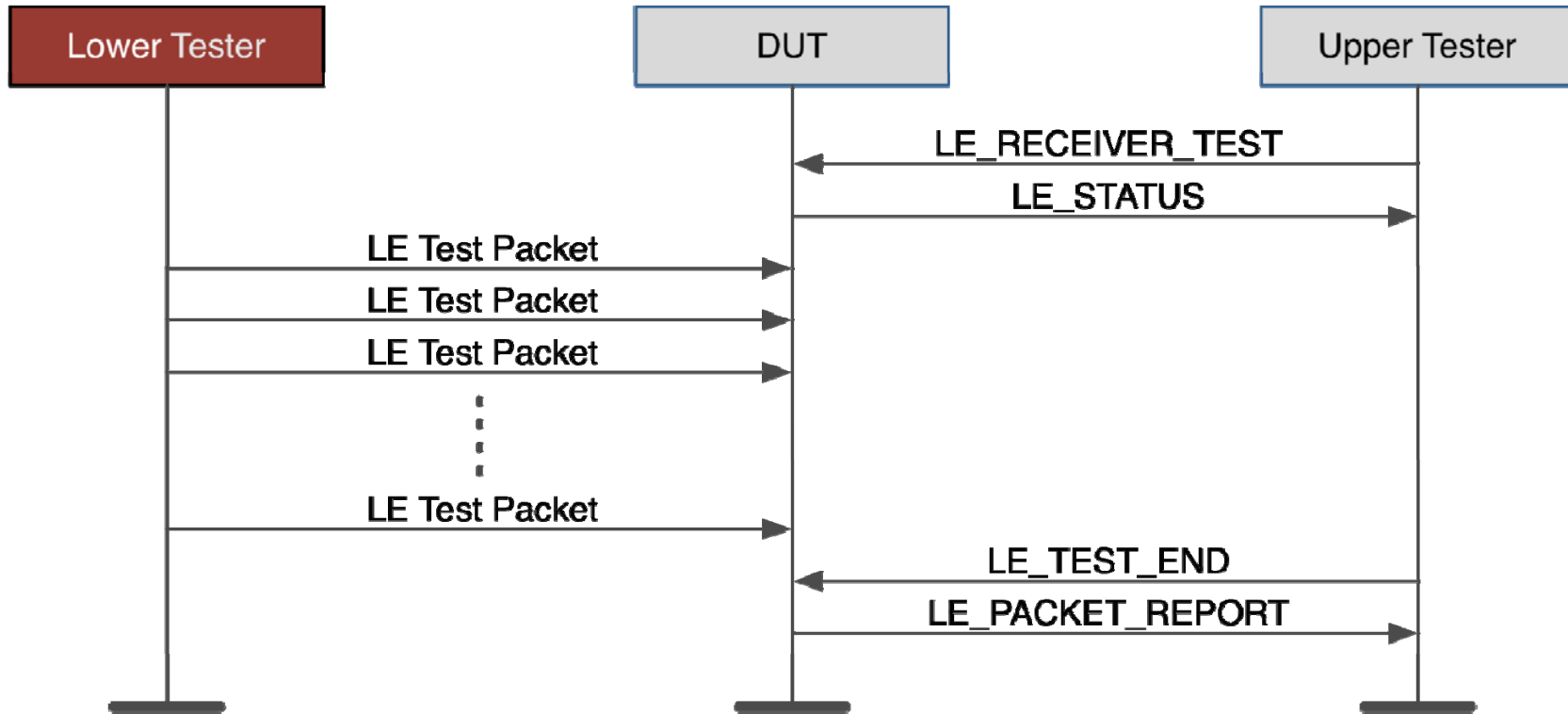
RF Test Command / Event	Description
LE_RESET	Resets controller to known state
LE_TRANSMITTER_TEST	Commands DUT to transmit LE Test Packets until told to stop with LE_TEST_END
LE_RECEIVER_TEST	Commands DUT to receive LE Test Packets until told to stop with LE_TEST_END
LE_TEST_END	The test has ended, stop transmitting or receiving, send LE_PACKET_REPORT to Tester
LE_STATUS	Command received, starting test
LE_PACKET_REPORT	Command received, test ended, number of packets received



# TRANSMITTER TEST



# RECEIVER TEST

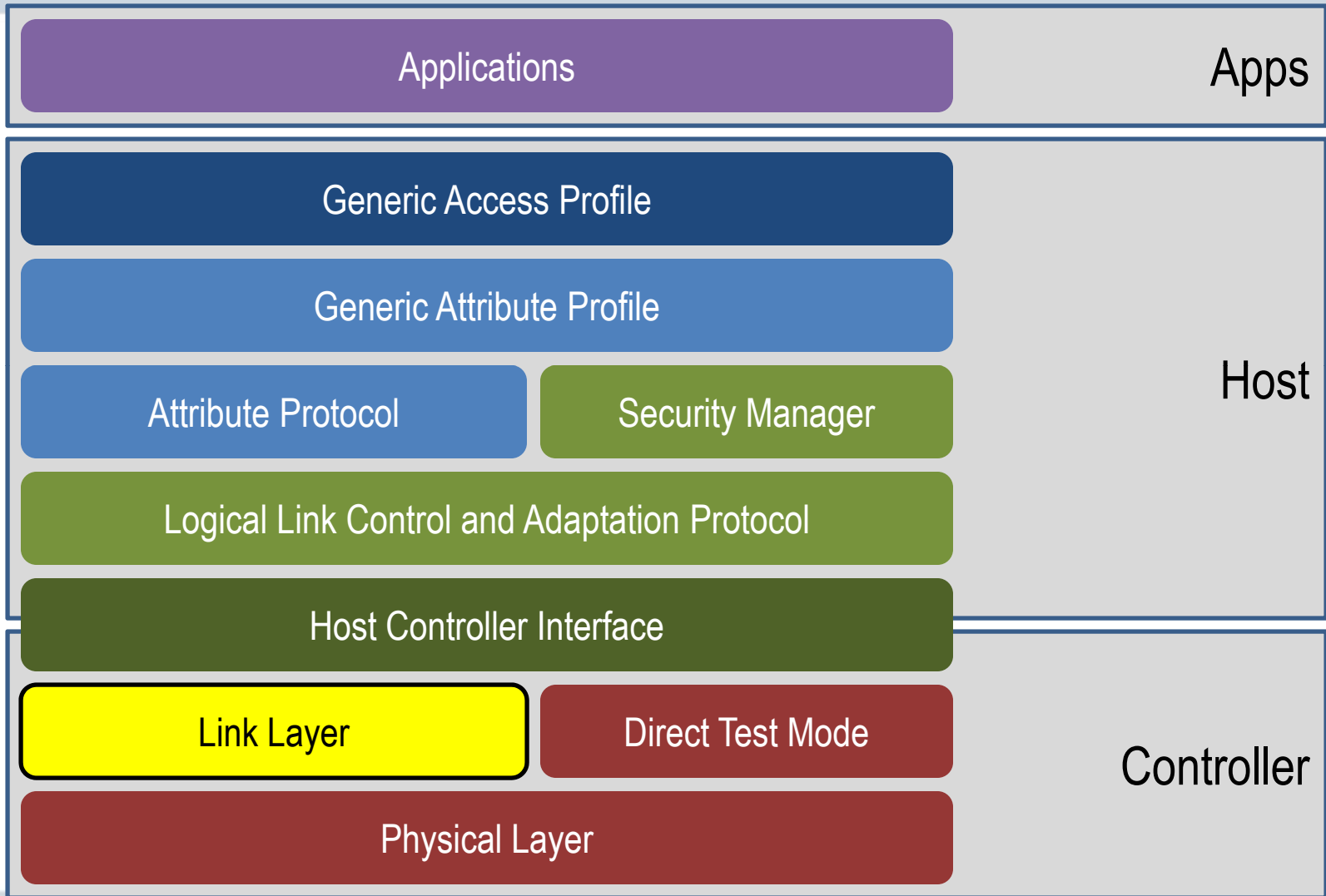


## DIRECT TEST MODE SUMMARY

Used to test Physical Layer RF  
for qualification tests  
or for production line tests

Works over  
standard HCI transport layer  
special 2-wire transport

# LINK LAYER



# LINK LAYER (LL)

## Link Layer State Machine

can have multiple state machines active in device

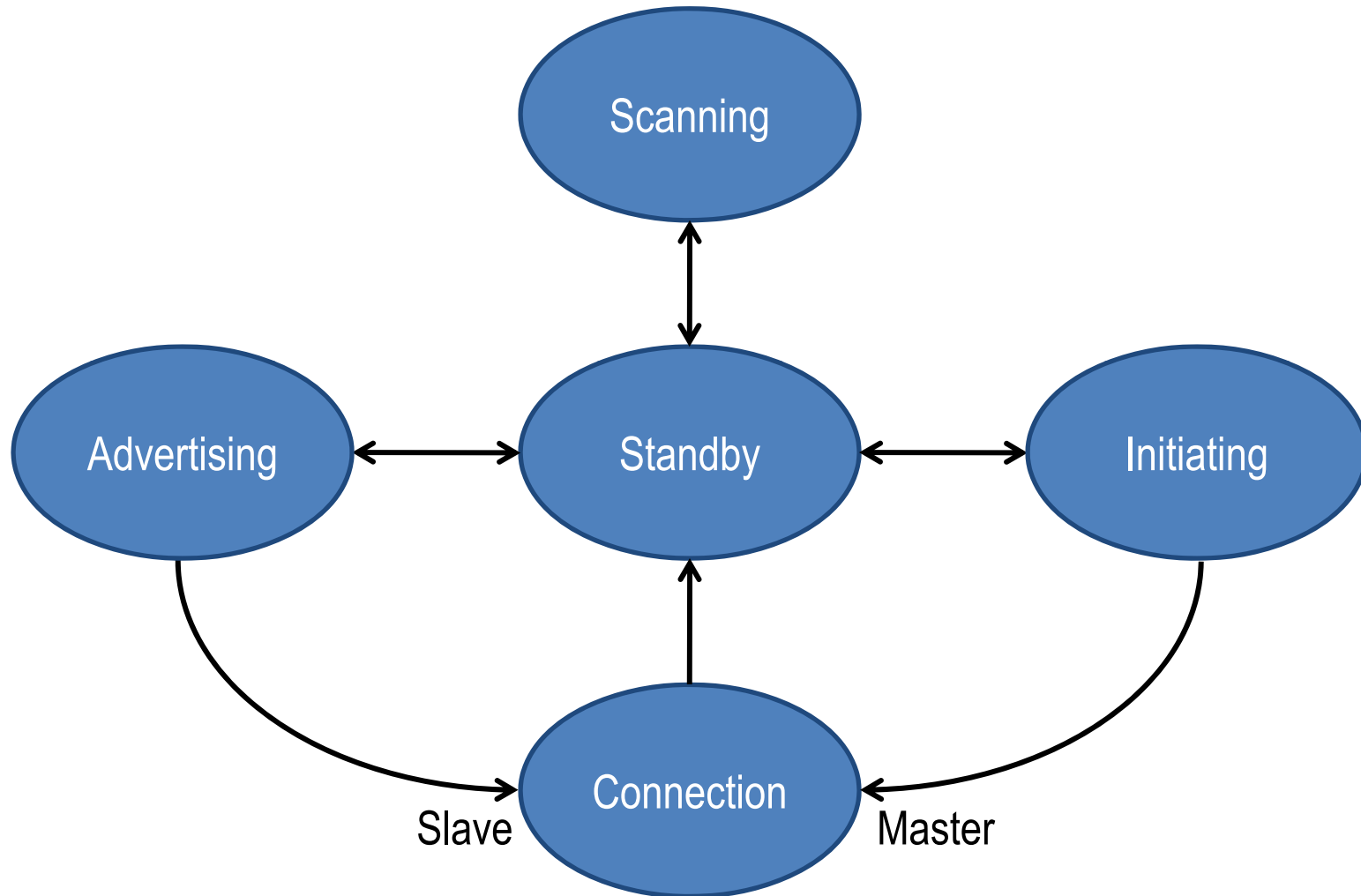
## Link Layer Channels

Advertising Channels & Data Channels

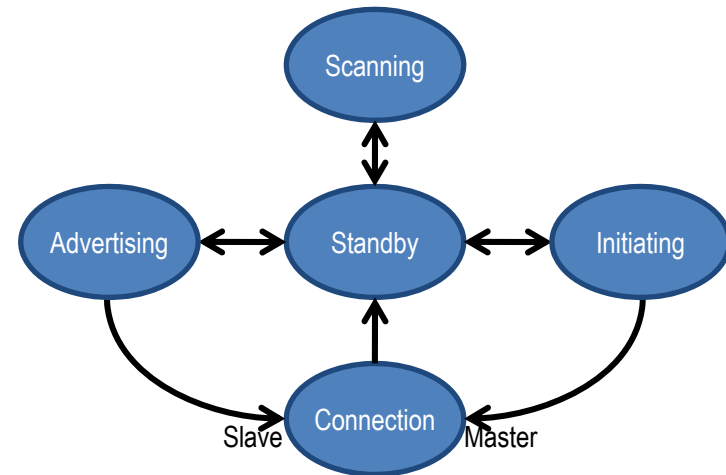
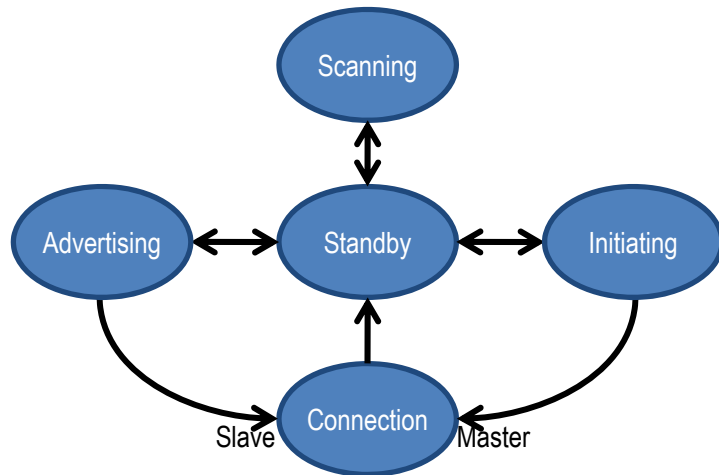
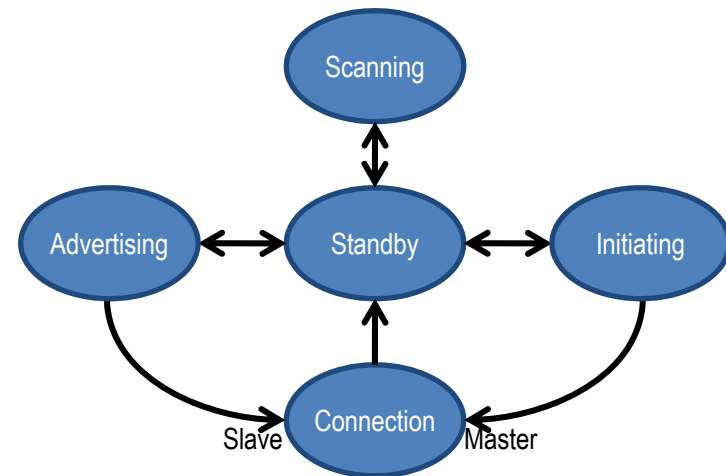
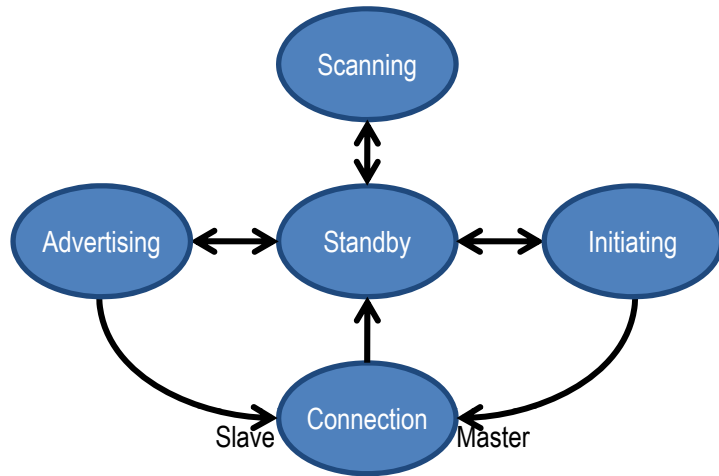
Advertising Packets & Data Packets

## Link Layer Control Procedures

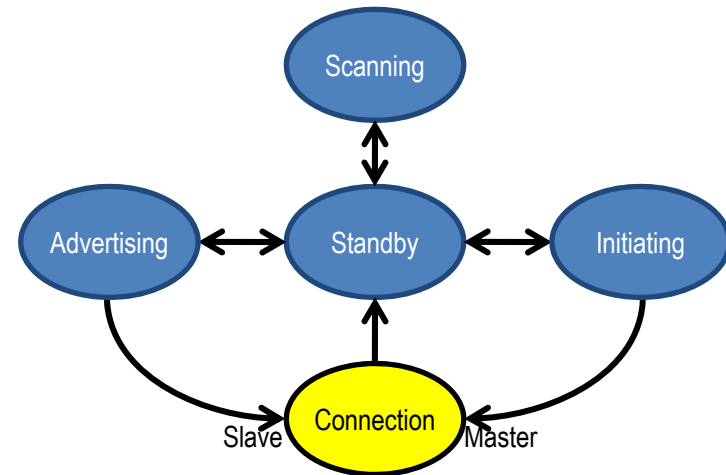
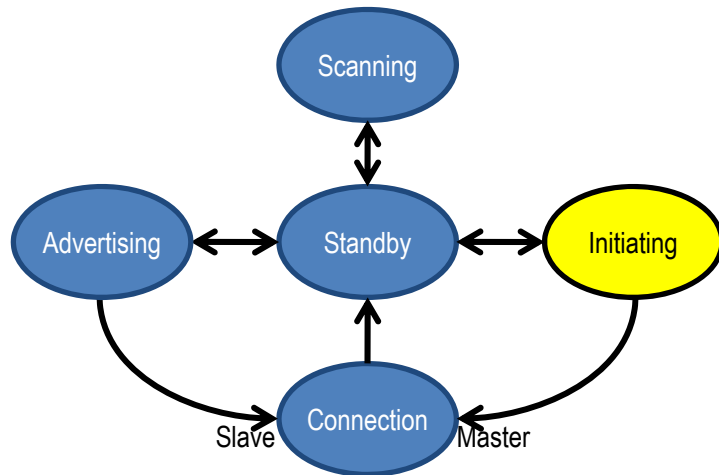
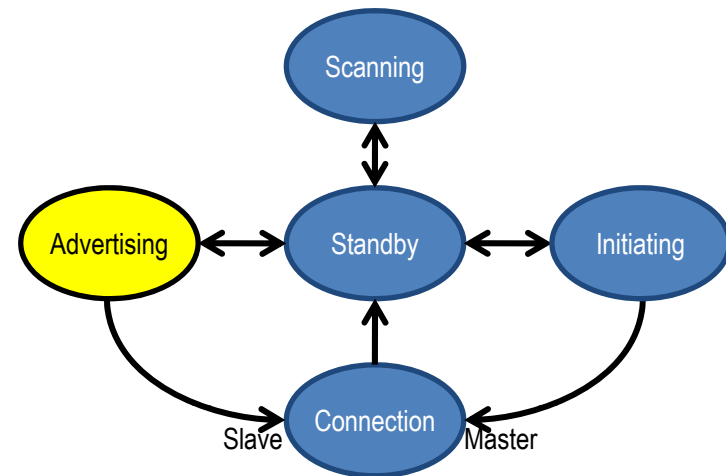
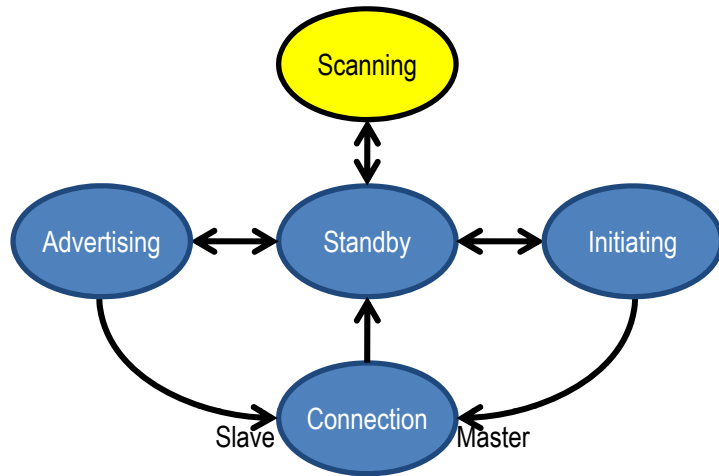
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## TWO TYPES OF CHANNELS

### Advertising Channels

Advertising Channel Packets

Used for Discoverability / Connectability

Used for Broadcasting / Observing

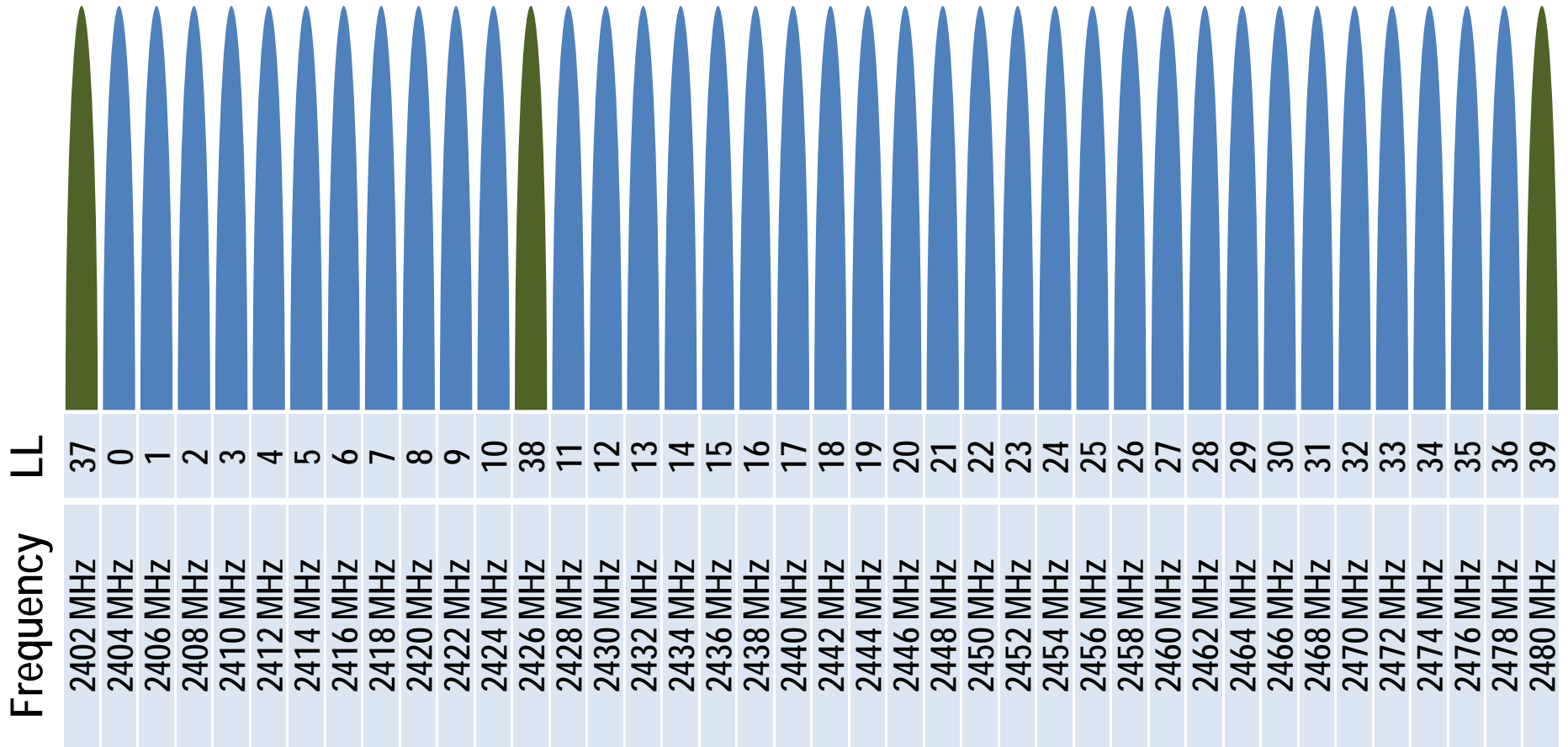
### Data Channels

Data Channel Packets

Used to send application data in Connection

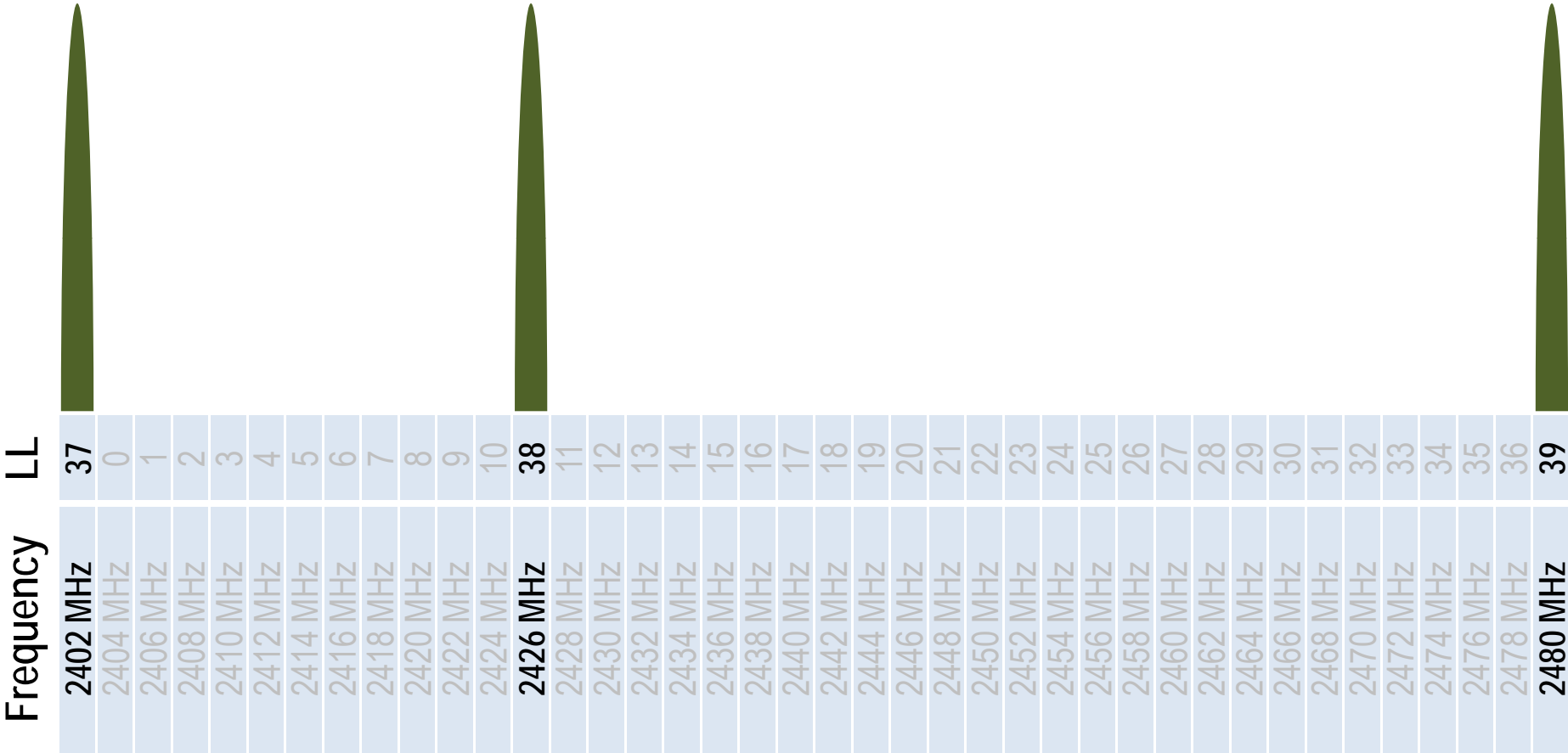
# LINK LAYER CHANNELS

3 Advertising Channels and 37 Data Channels



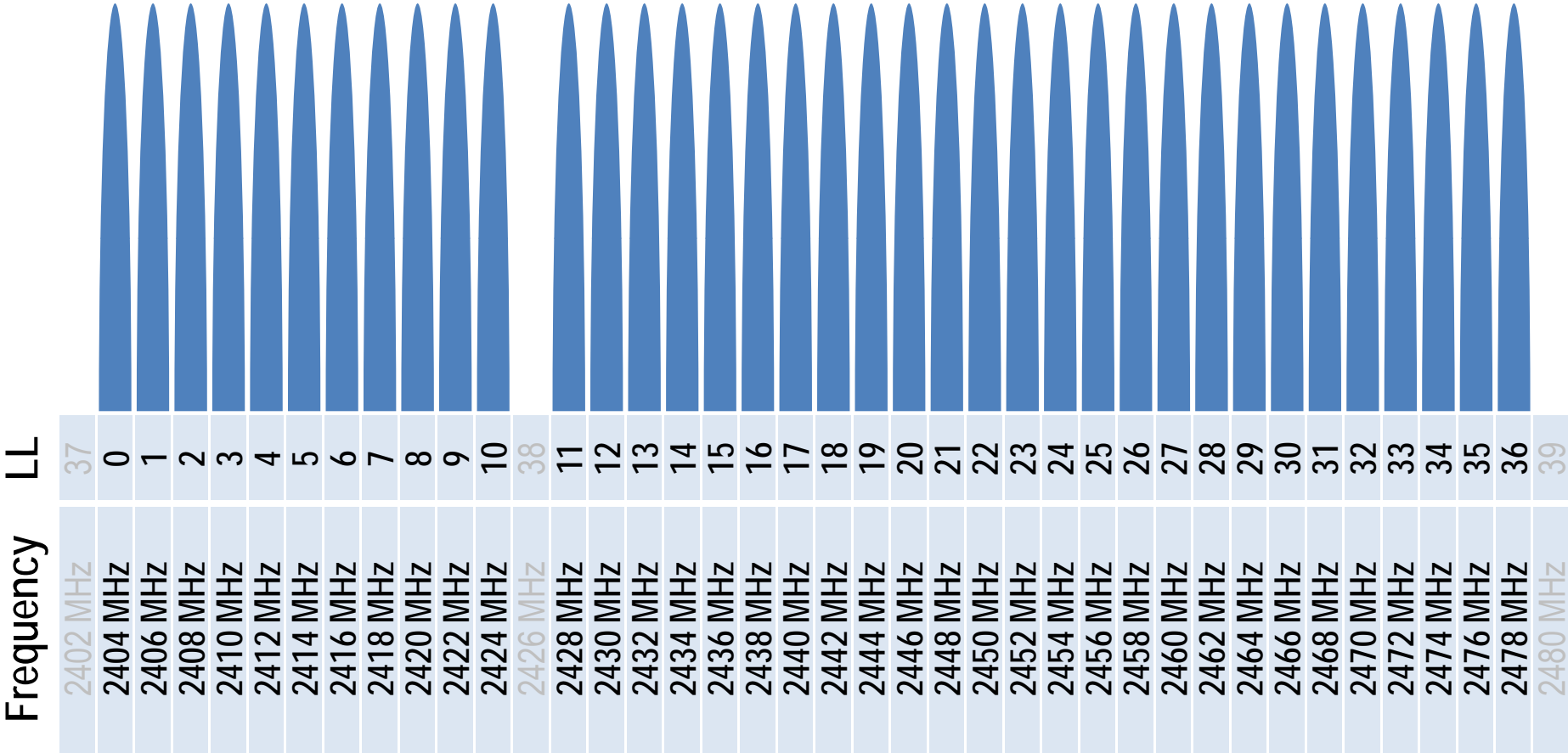
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3 Advertising Channels



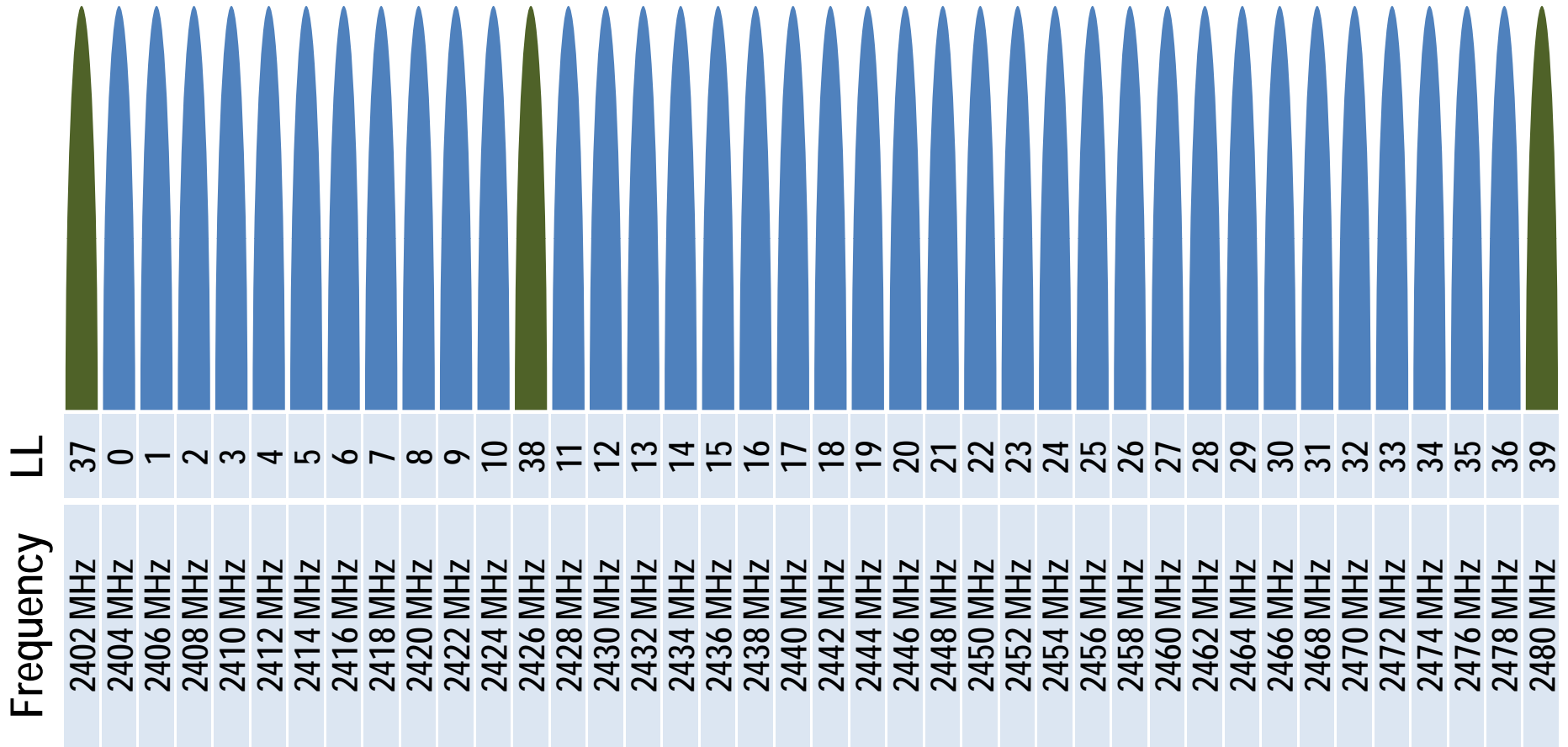
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## 37 Data Channels



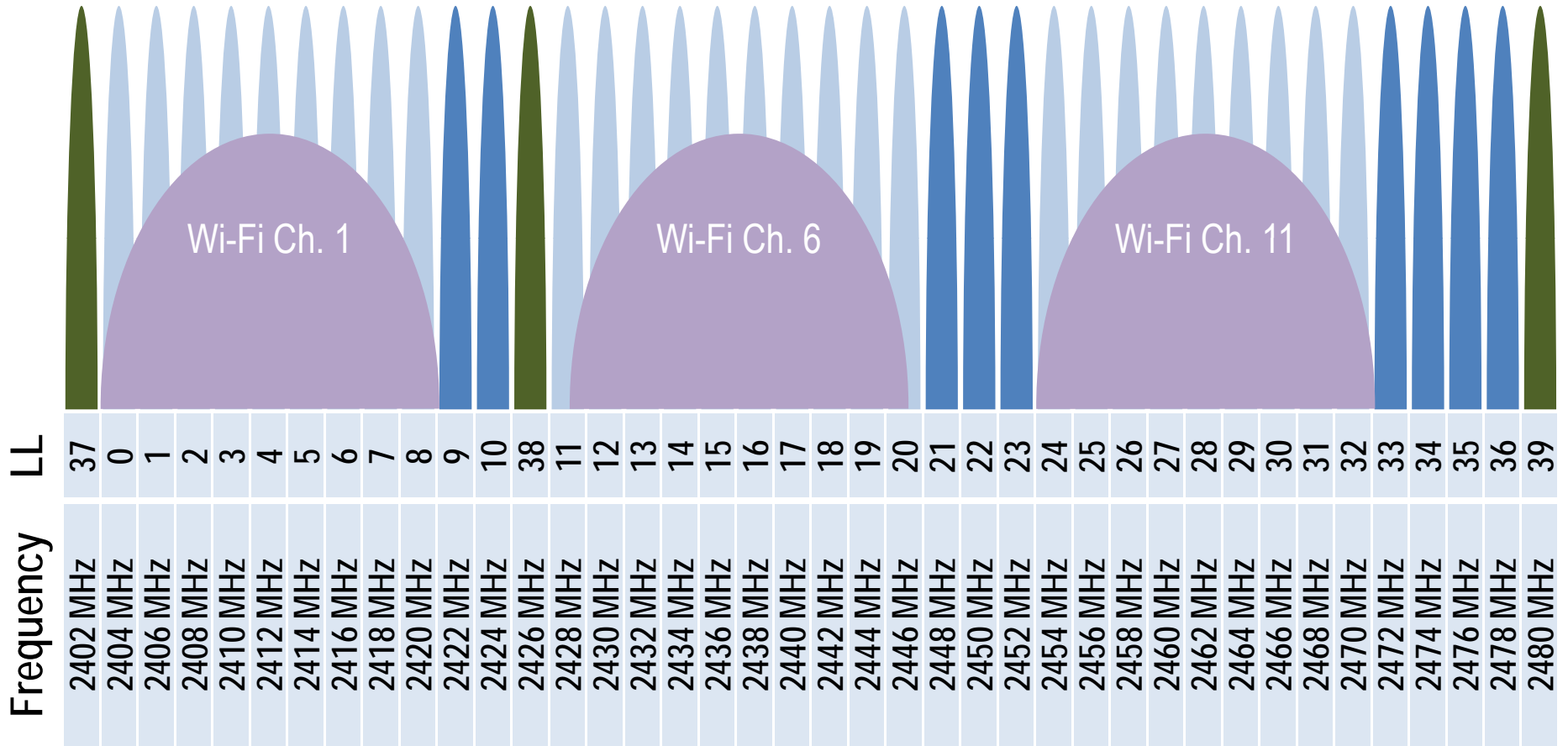
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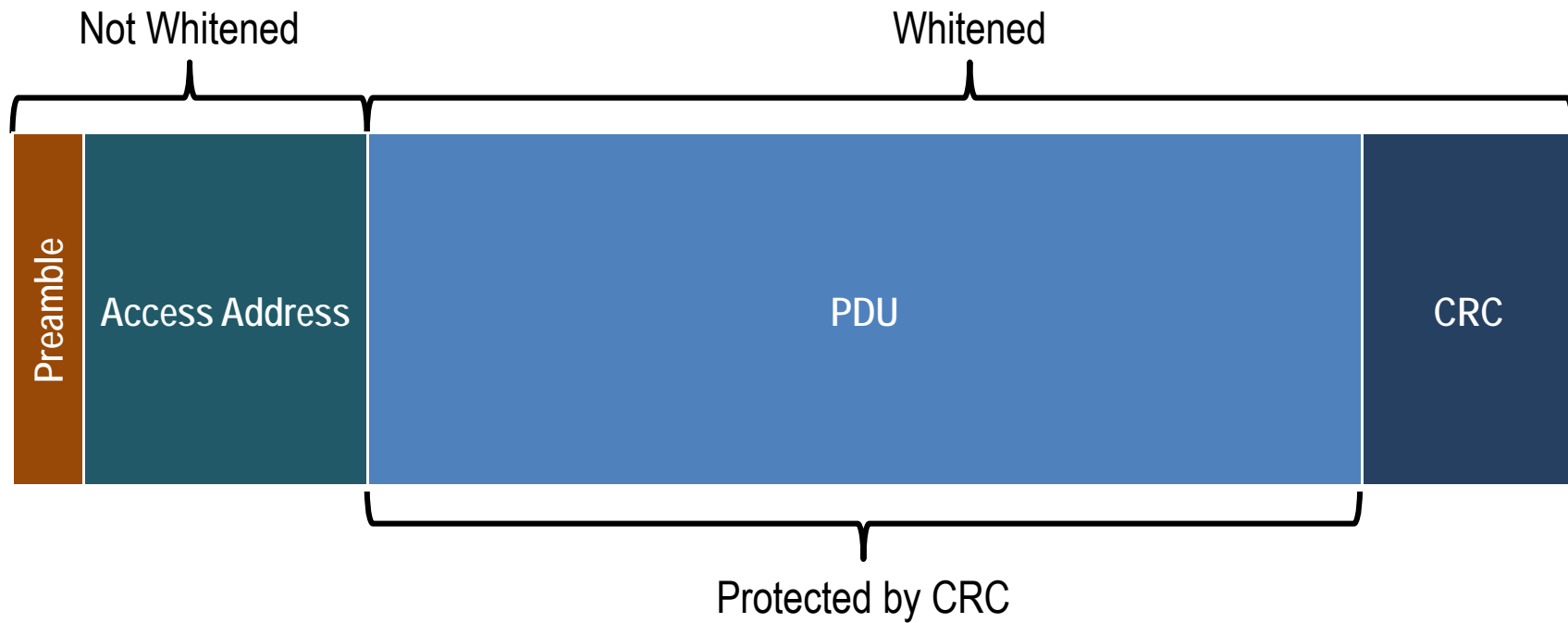


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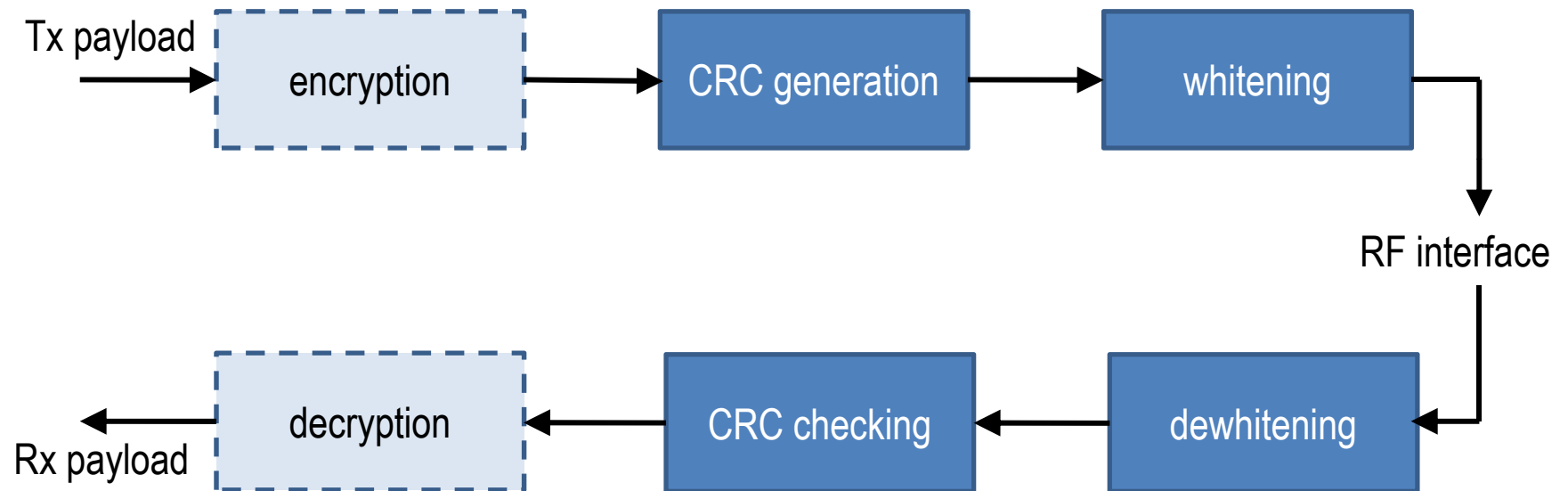
9 LL Data Channels still available



# ONE PACKET FORMAT



# BIT STREAM PROCESSING





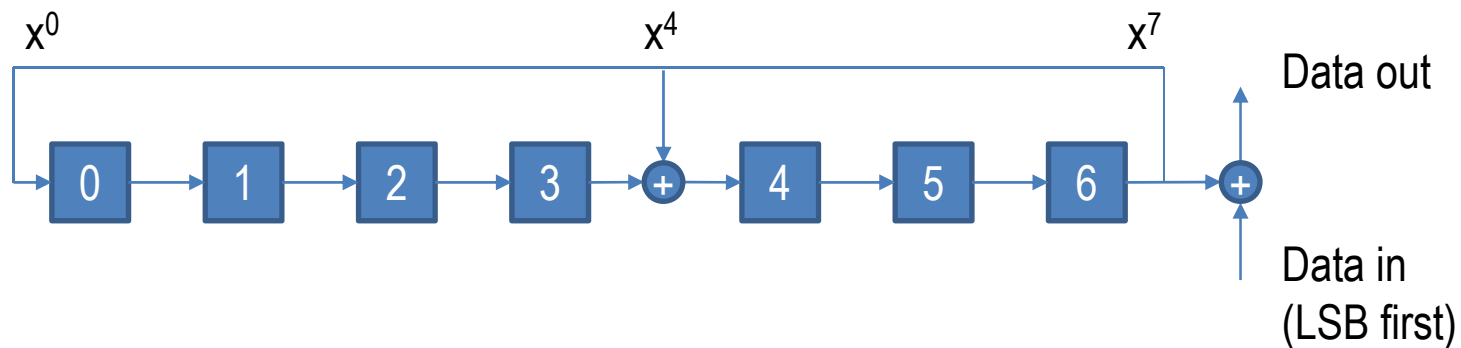
# WHITENING

Avoids long sequences of '0's or '1's

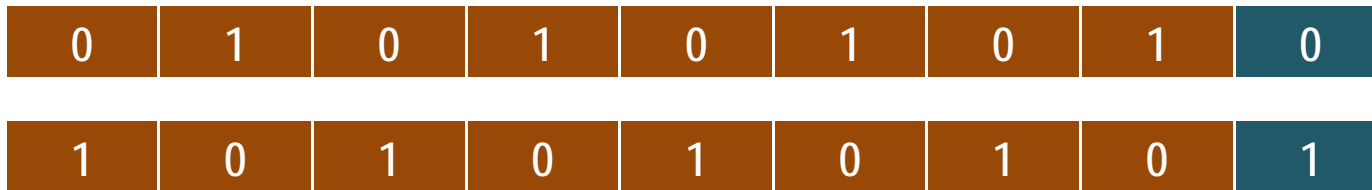
Uses same 7 bit LFSR as BR/EDR

LFSR defined as:  $x^7+x^4+x^0$

initialized with LL Channel Index



# PREAMBLE



# ACCESS ADDRESS

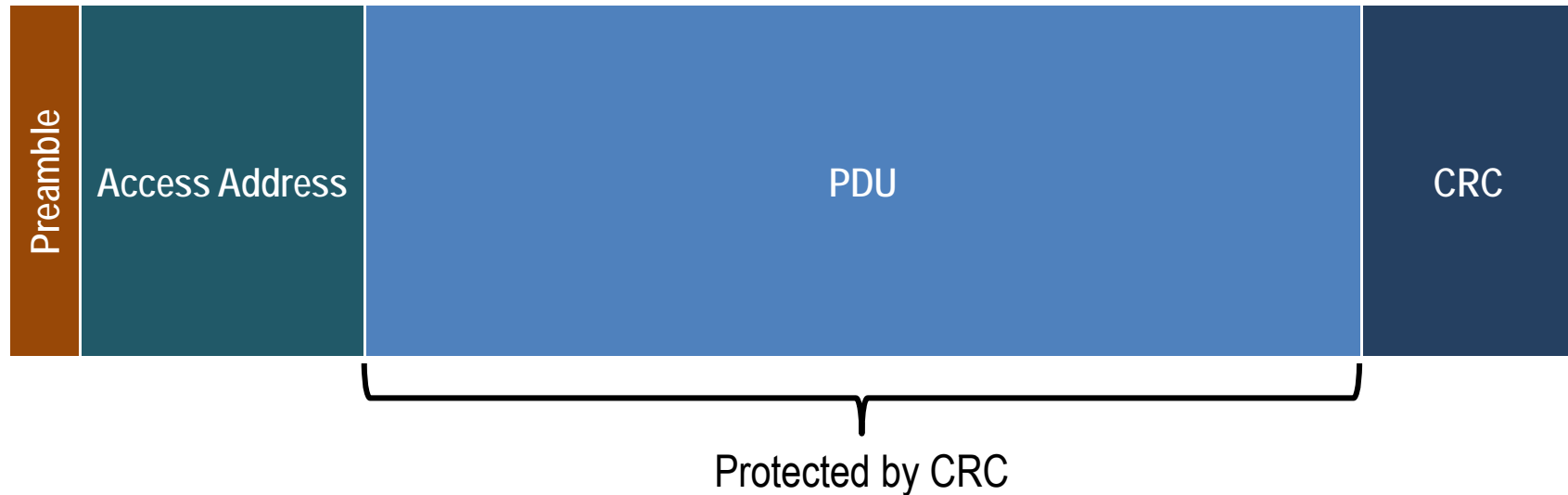


Access Address (32 bits)

Advertising Packets = 0x8E89BED6

Data Packets = random value per connection

# CRC

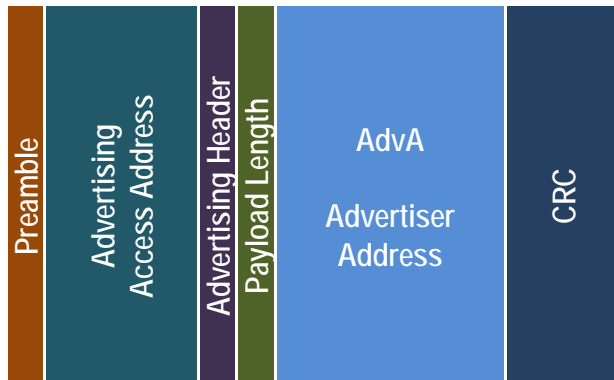


Cyclic Redundancy Check (24 bits)

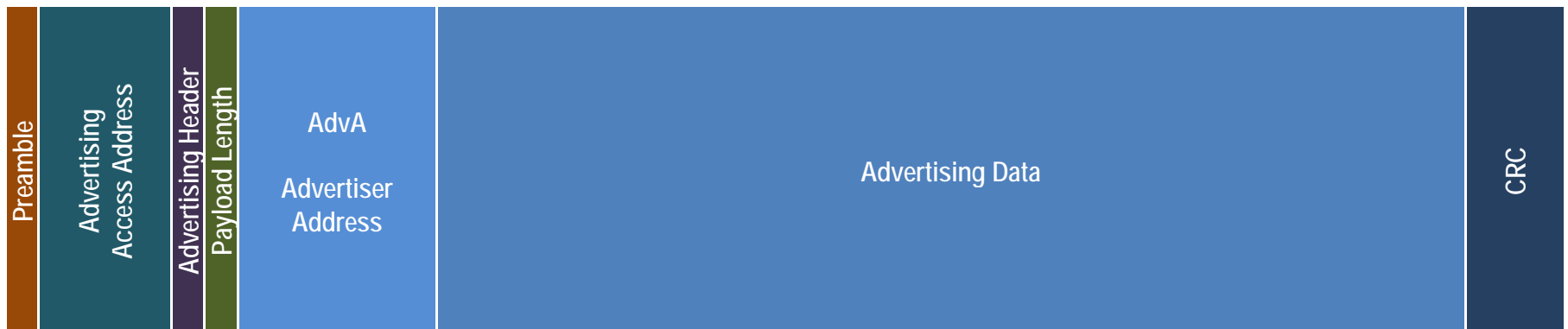
$$x^{24} + x^{10} + x^9 + x^6 + x^4 + x^3 + x^1 + x^0$$

Detects all 1,2,3,4,5, odd bit errors in PDU

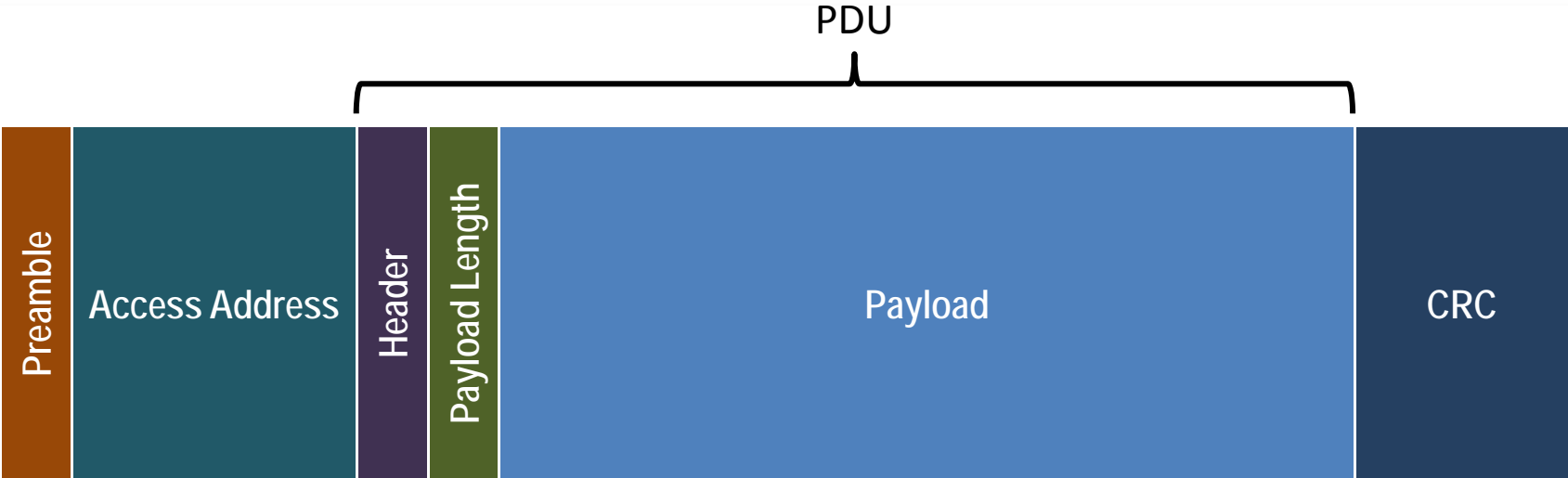
# ADVERTISING PACKET



0 to 31 bytes of Advertising data



# PDU HEADERS



Advertising channel PDU Header / Payload Length

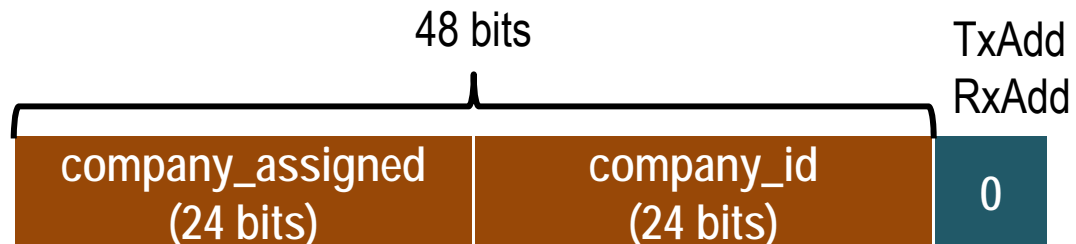
PDU Type	RFU	TxAdd	RxAdd
Length (6 – 37)		RFU	

# ADVERTISING PACKET PDU TYPES

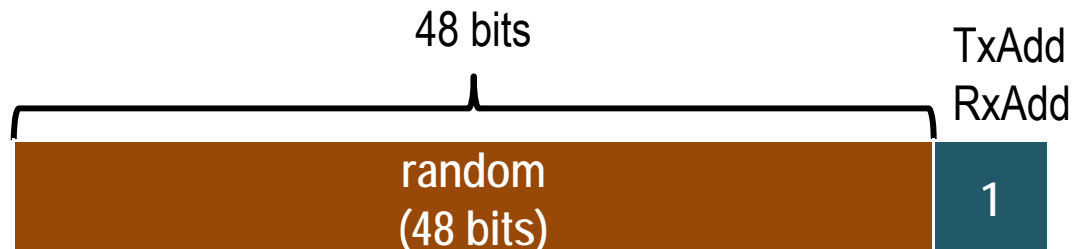
PDU Type	Packet Name	Description
0000	ADV_IND	connectable undirected advertising event
0001	ADV_DIRECT_IND	connectable directed advertising event
0010	ADV_NONCONN_IND	non-connectable undirected advertising event
0011	SCAN_REQ	Scanner wants information from Advertiser
0100	SCAN_RSP	Advertiser gives more information to Scanner
0101	CONNECT_REQ	Initiator wants to connect to Advertiser
0110	ADV_DISCOVER_IND	non-connectable undirected advertising event

# DEVICE ADDRESS

## Public Device Address

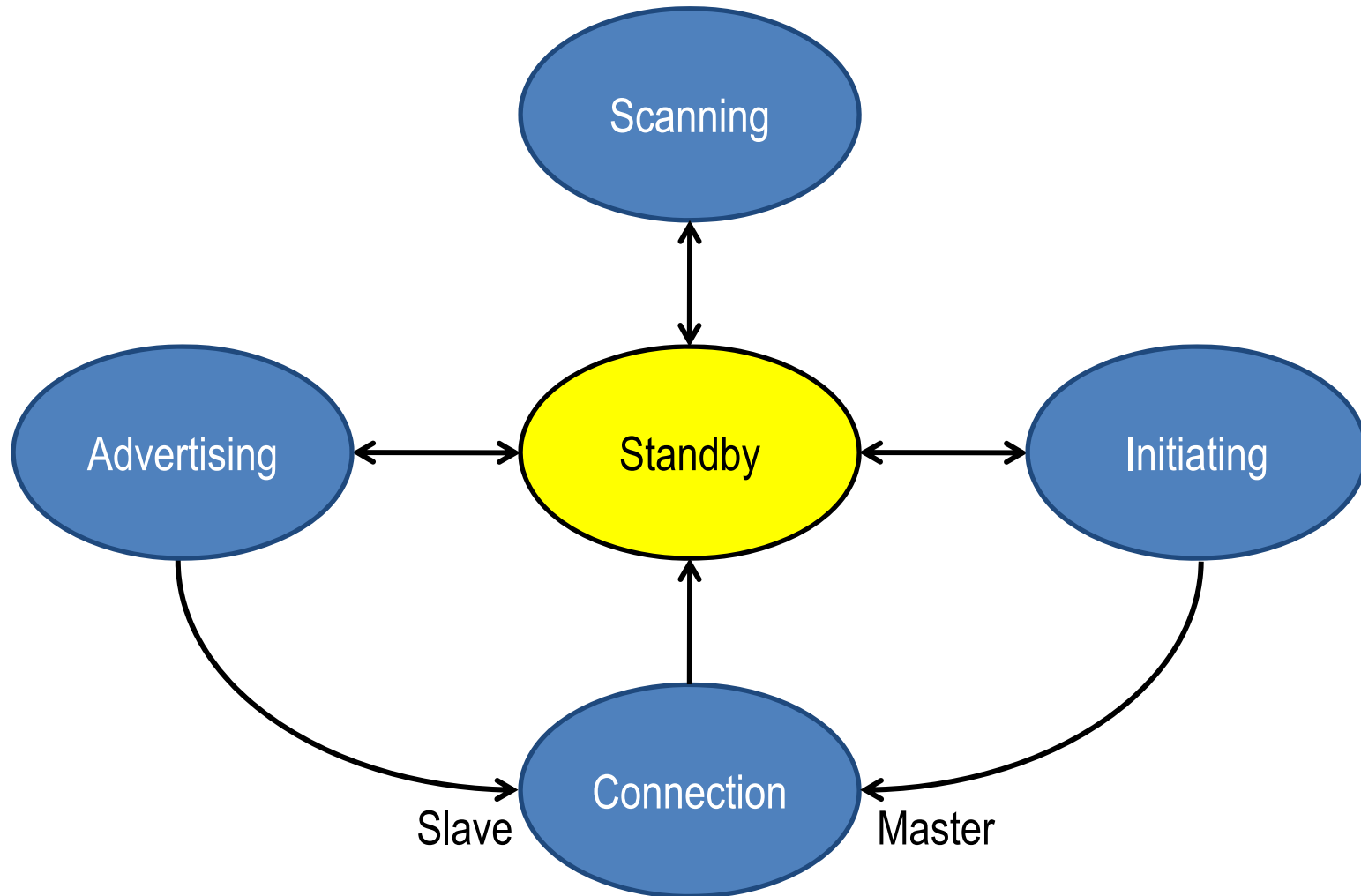


## Random Device Address



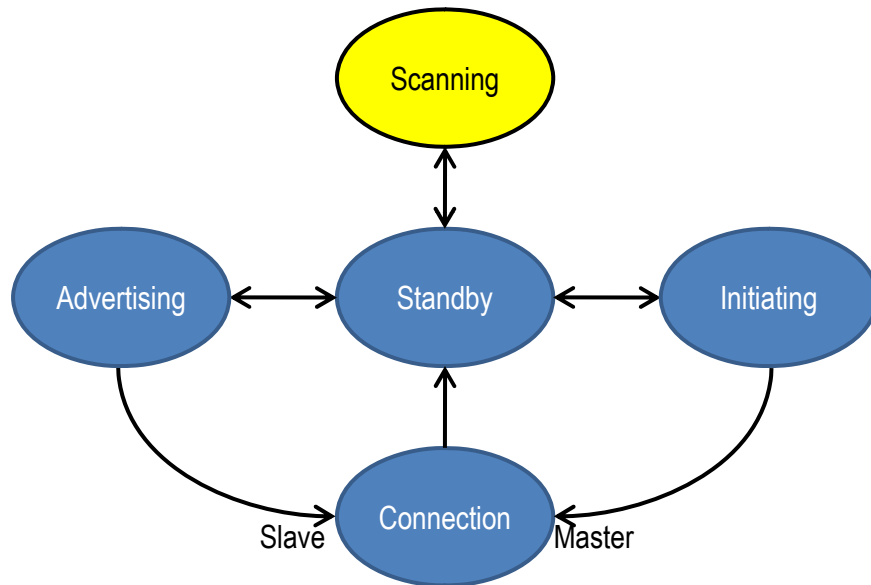


# STANDBY

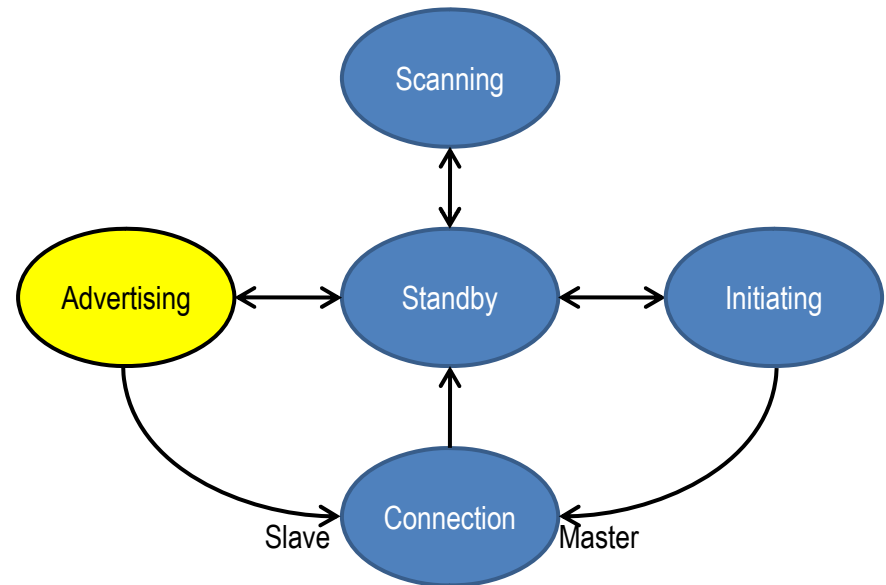


# ADVERTISING

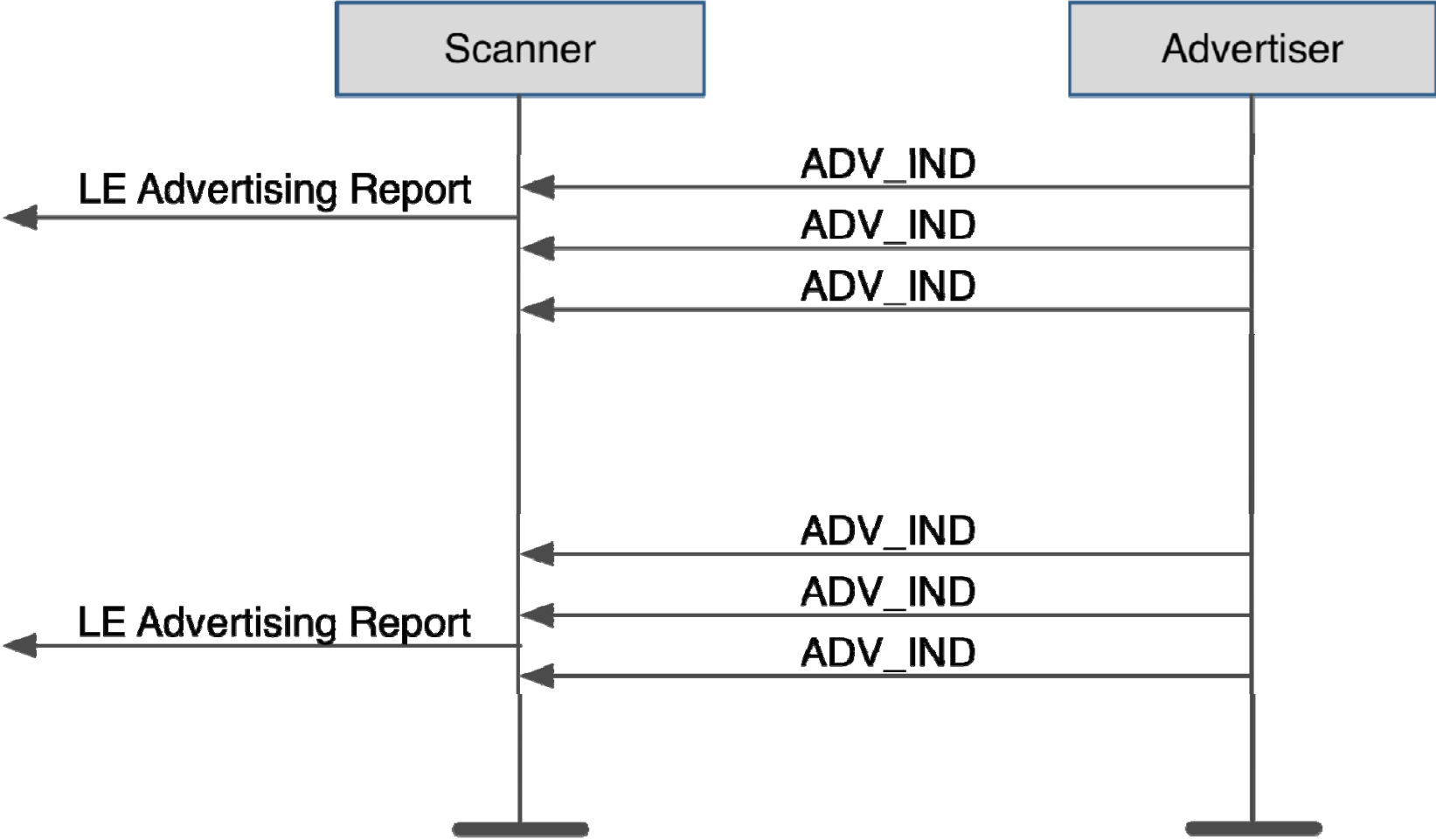
## Passive Scanner



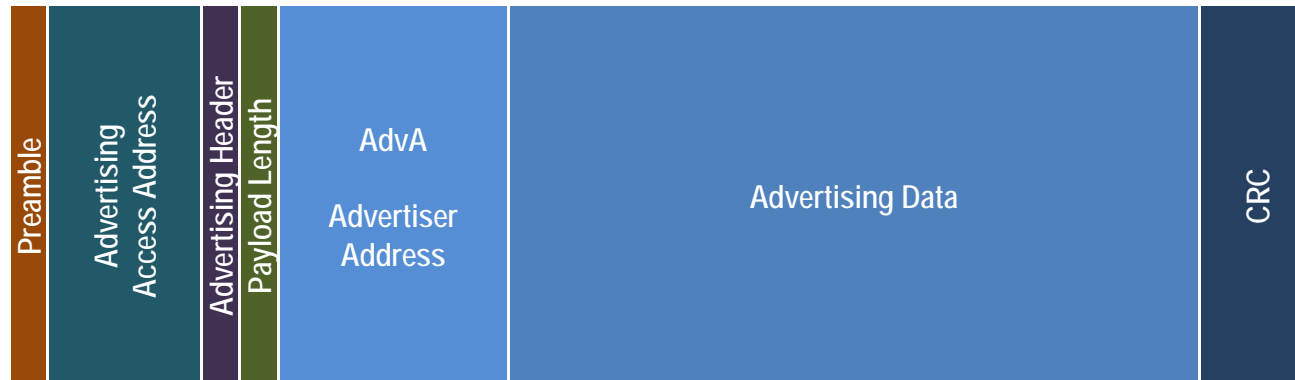
## Advertiser



# PASSIVE SCANNING



# ADVERTISING DATA



## Advertising Data

“I’m generally discoverable”,  
transmitting at +4 dBm,  
the temperature is 20.5 C,  
I support Battery and Temperature services

# ADVERTISING DATA



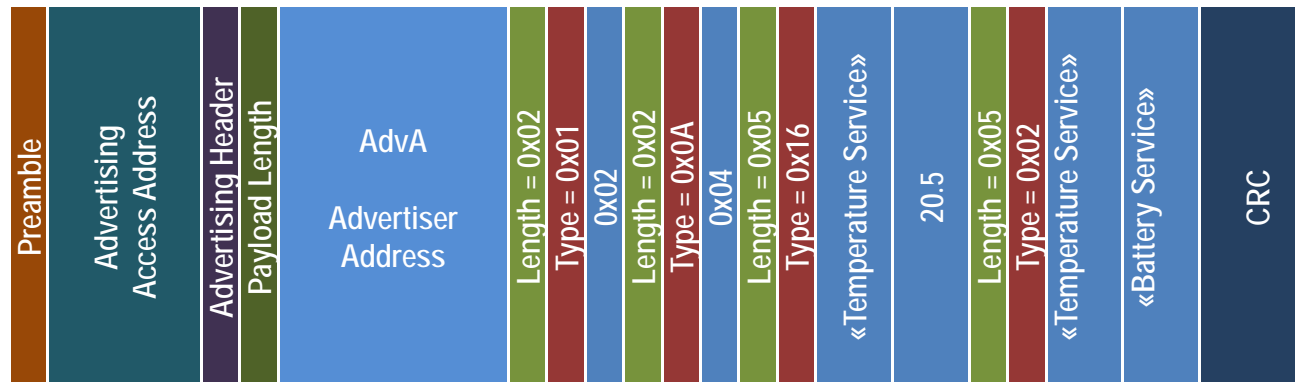
LE General Discoverable

Tx Power Level = 4 dBm

Service Data «Temperature Service» = 20.5 C

Services Supports = «Temperature Service», «Battery Service»

# ADVERTISING DATA



Length, Type, Data formatted

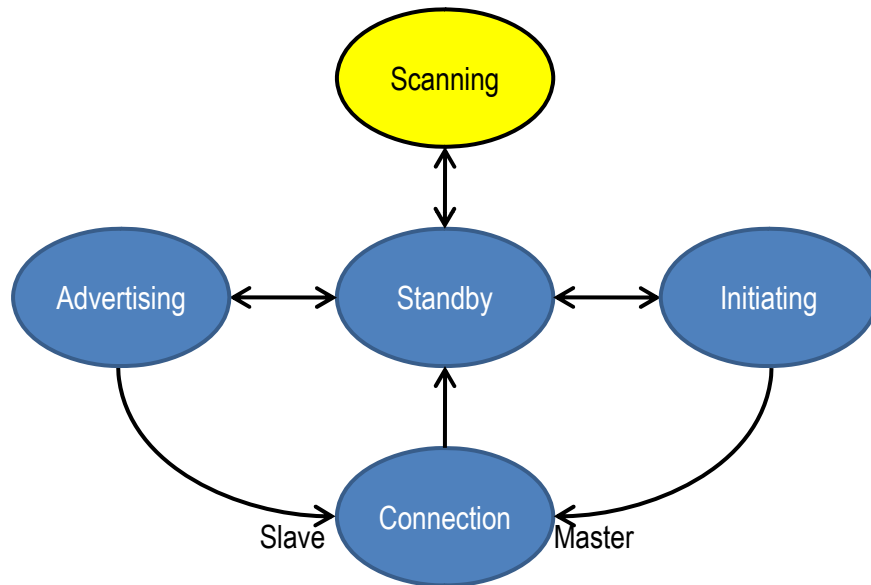
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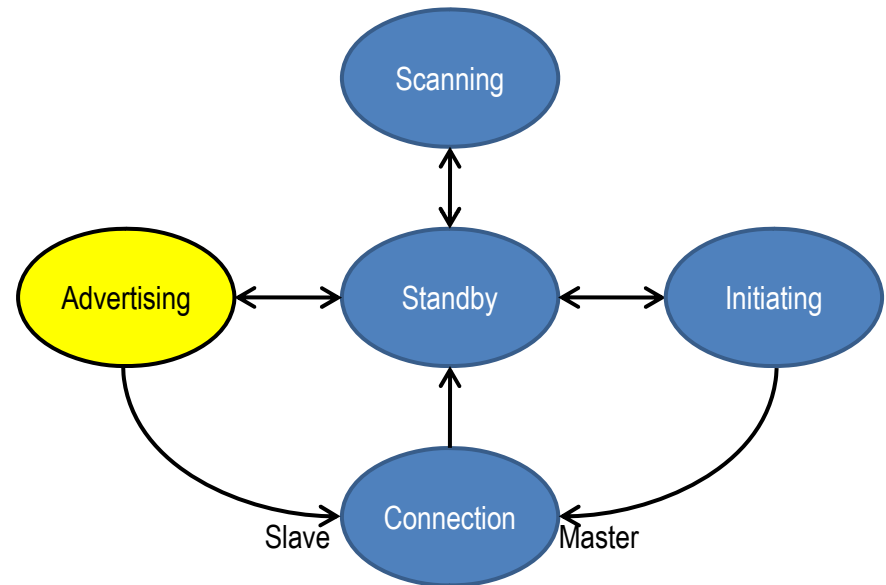
Data = typed data defined by GAP or Service

# ACTIVE SCANNING

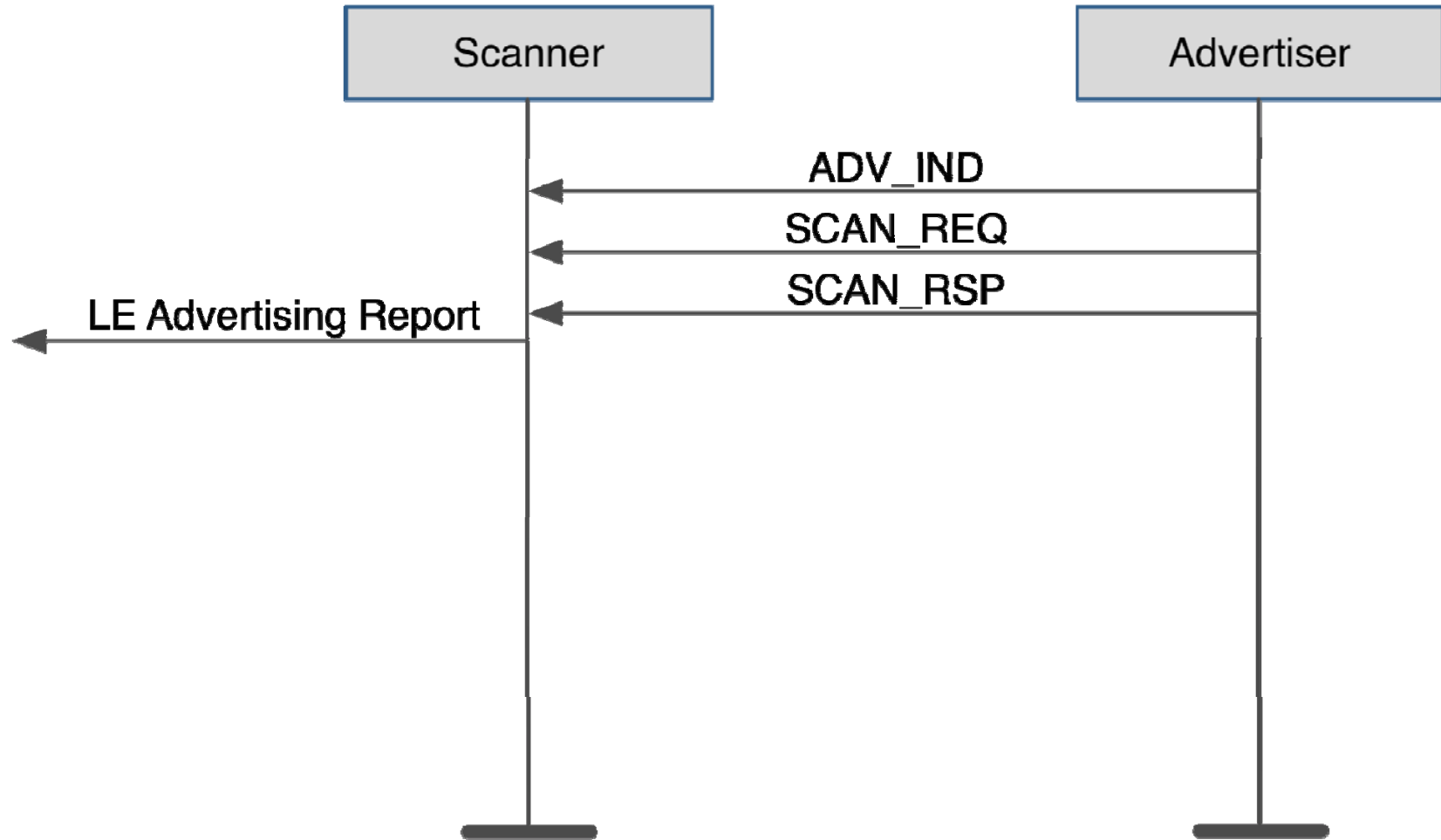
## Active Scanner



## Discoverable Advertising

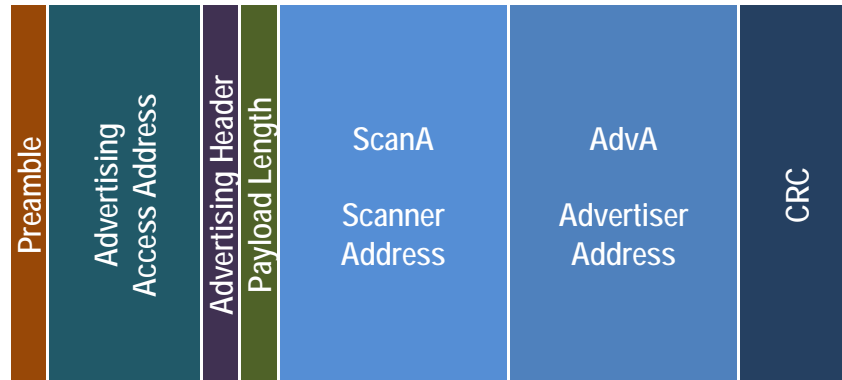


# ACTIVE SCANNING



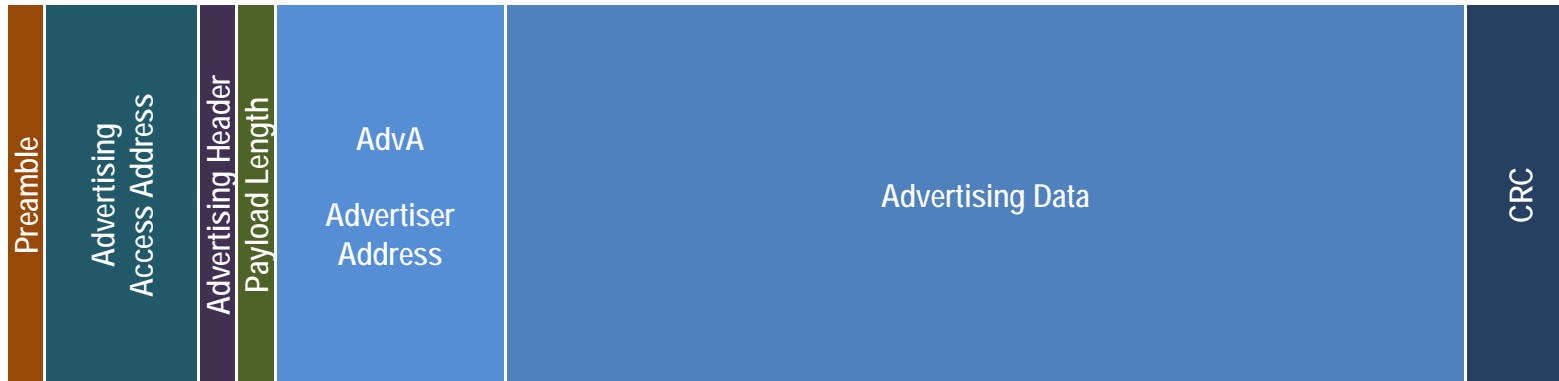


# SCAN\_REQ



Sent from scanner to advertiser to ask for additional data

# SCAN\_RSP

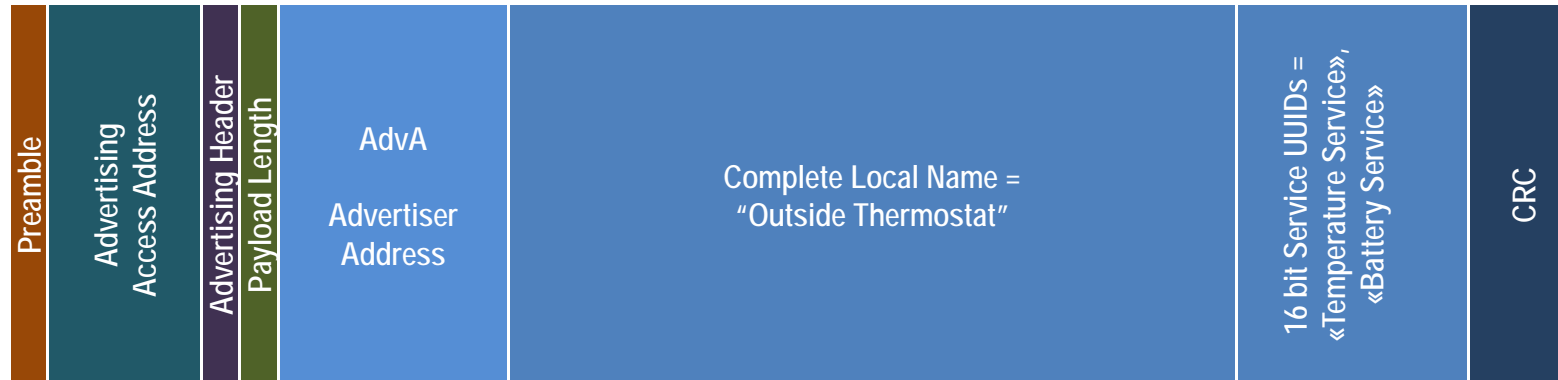


## Scan Response Data

Device name is “Outside Thermostat”

I support Battery and Temperature services

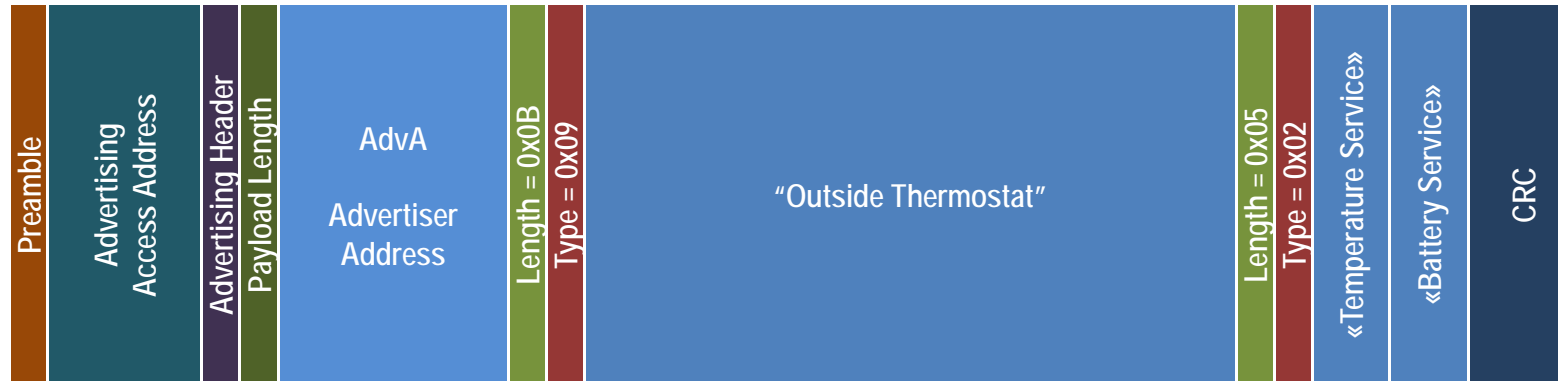
# SCAN\_RSP



Complete Local Name = "Outside Thermostat"

Services Supports = «Temperature Service», «Battery Service»

# SCAN\_RSP



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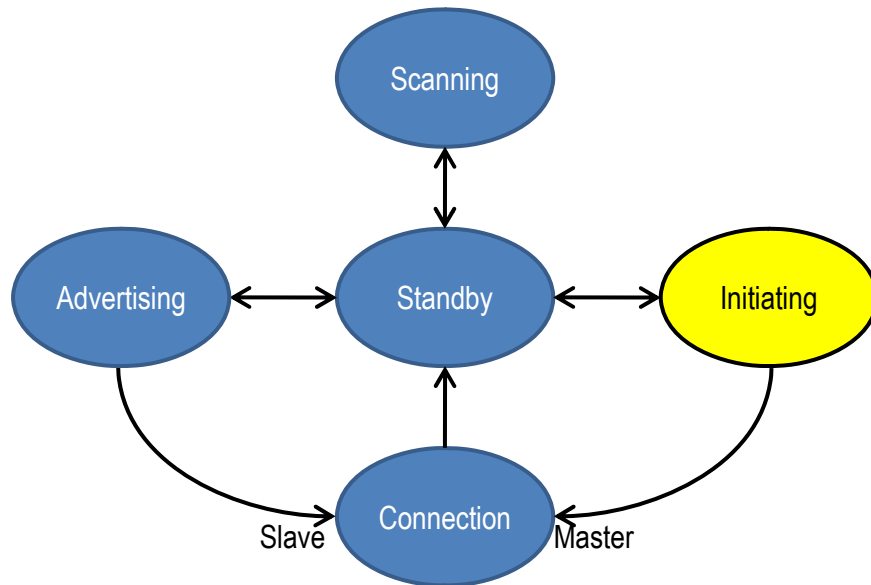
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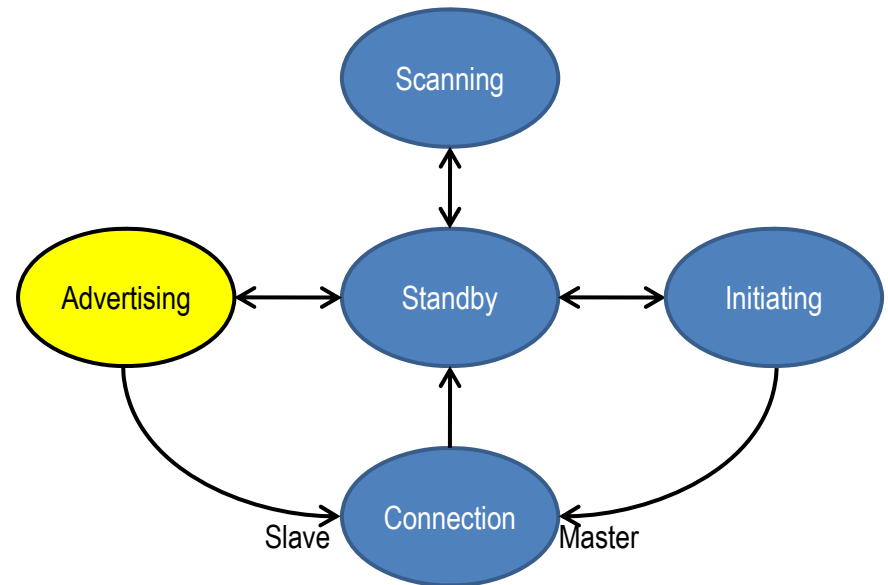
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# INITIATING CONNECTIONS

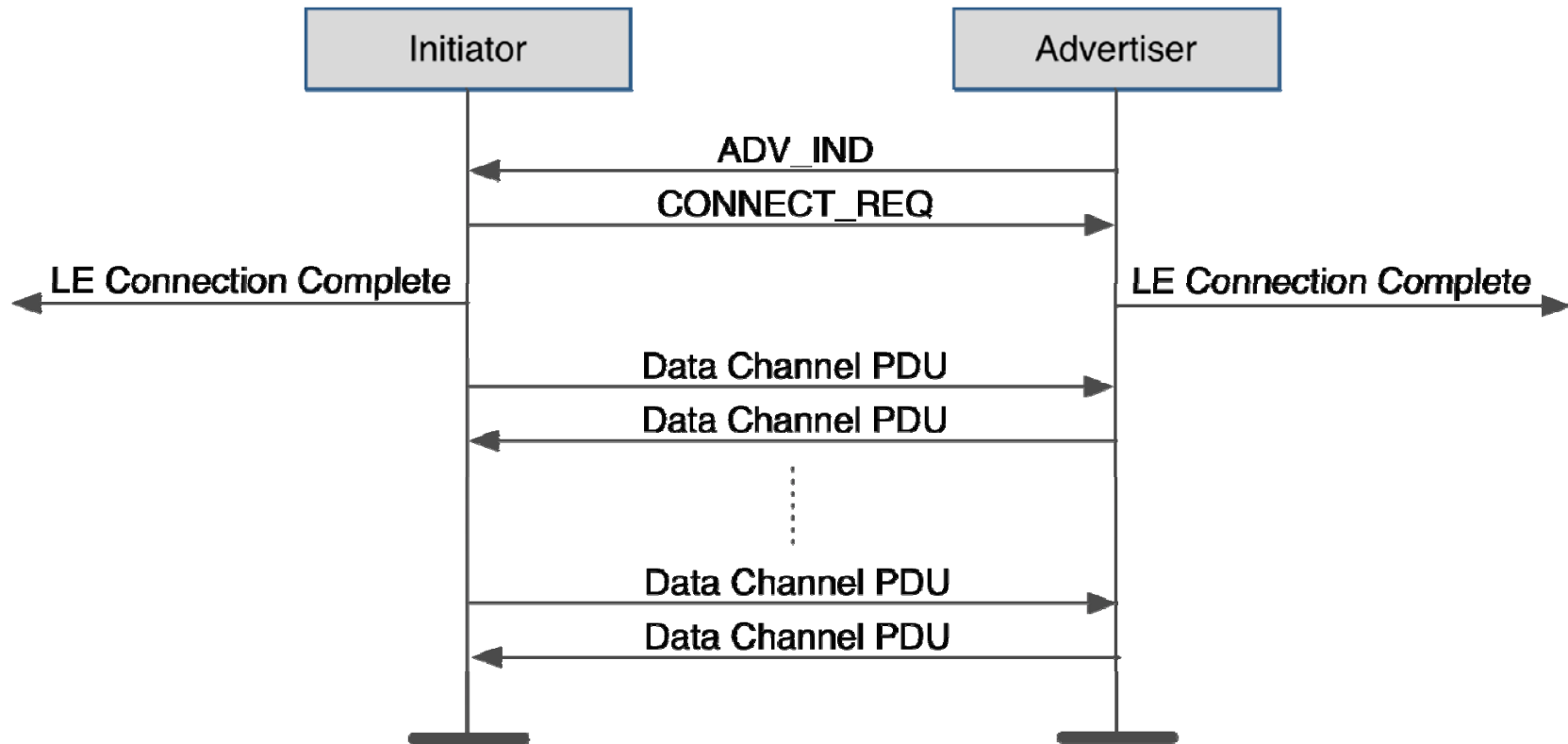
## Initiator



## Connectable Advertiser



# INITIATING CONNECTIONS



# CONNECT\_REQ

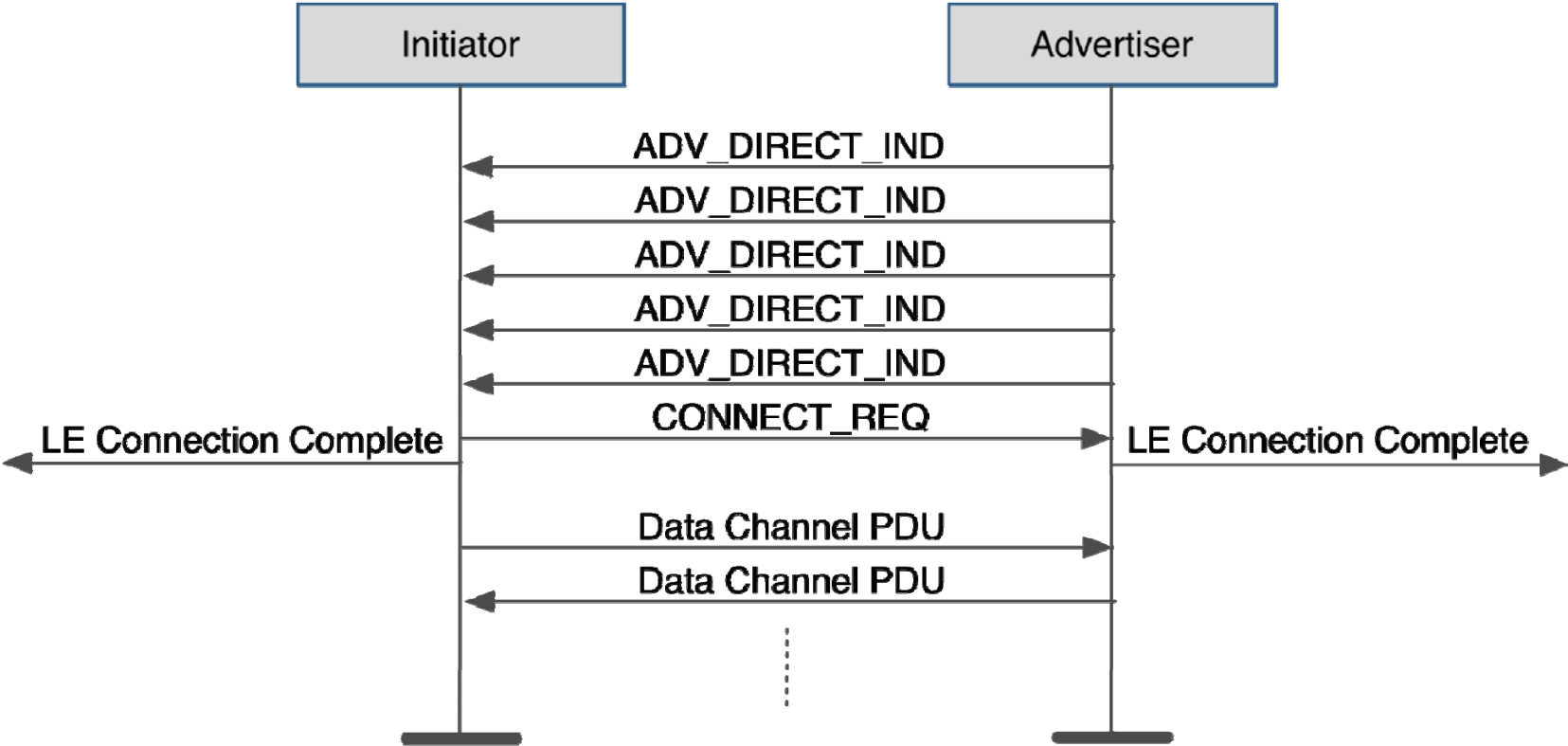


Sent from Initiator to Advertiser

Contains all information for link, including:

Access Address, CRCInit, WinSize, WinOffset, Connection Interval, Latency, Timeout, Channel Map, Hop Interval, Sleep Clock Accuracy

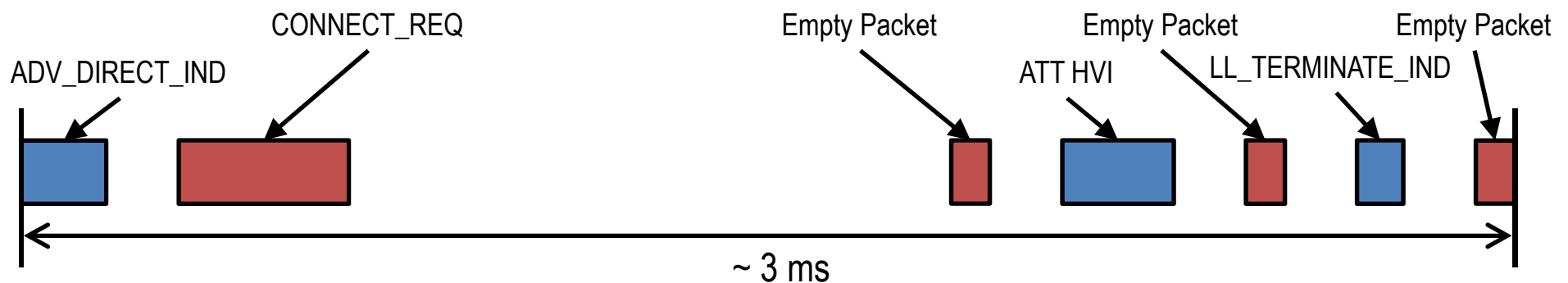
# DIRECTED CONNECTIONS



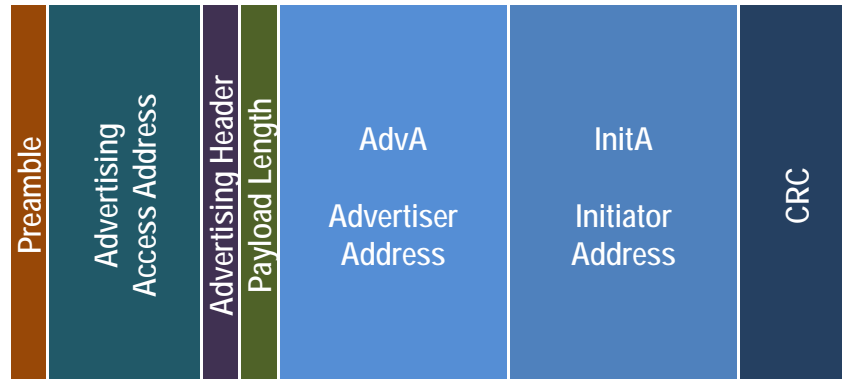


# TIME FROM DISCONNECTED TO DATA ~ 3MS (RADIO ACTIVE ~ 1MS)

Time (us)	Master Tx	Radio Active (us)	Slave Tx
0		176	ADV_DIRECT_IND
326	CONNECT_REQ	352	
1928	Empty Packet	80	
2158		144	Attribute Protocol Handle Value Indication
2452	Empty Packet (Acknowledgement)	80	
2682		96	LL_TERMINATE_IND
2928	Empty Packet (Acknowledgement)	80	



# DIRECTED ADVERTISING



Sent from Advertiser to Initiator  
says “I want you to connect to me”

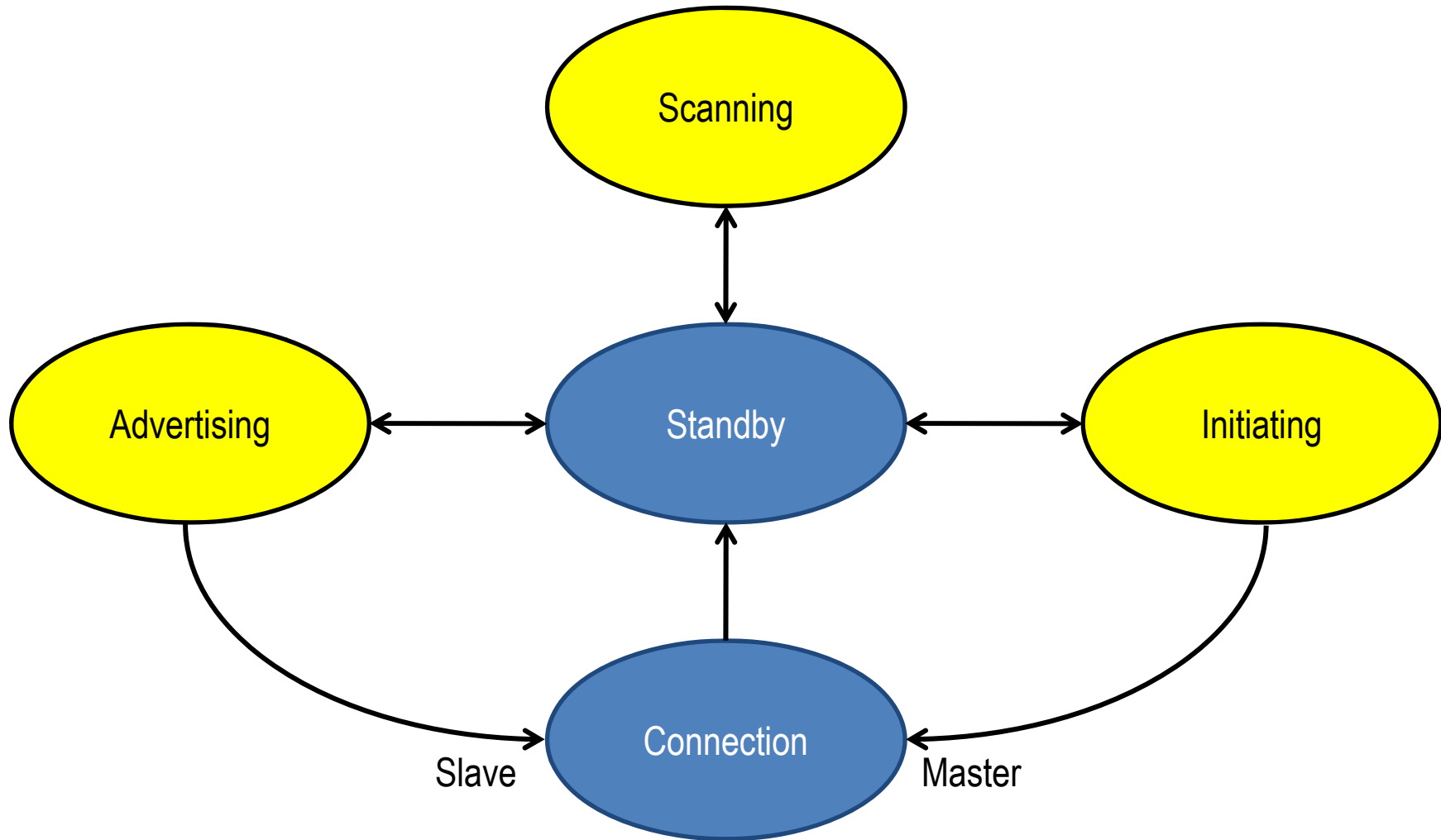
# WHITE LISTS

Because advertising channels will be “busy”  
sometimes useful to filter out devices you don’t care about

## White List

set of devices in advertising packets that will be processed  
consist of an array of device addresses of a known size

# WHITE LISTS AND LINK LAYER STATES



# ADVERTISING FILTER POLICY

Determines how controller will process scan and/or connection requests when as advertiser

- The Link Layer shall process scan and connection requests only from devices in the White List
- The Link Layer shall process scan and connection requests from all devices (i.e. the White List is not in use). This is the default on reset
- The Link Layer shall process scan requests from all devices and shall only process connection requests from devices that are in the White List
- The Link Layer shall process connection requests from all devices and shall only process scan requests from devices that are in the White List

## SCANNER FILTER POLICY

Determines how controller will process advertising packets when scanning:

- The Link Layer shall process advertising packets only from devices in the White List
- The Link Layer shall process all advertising packets (i.e., the White List is not used). This is the default on reset

## INITIATOR FILTER POLICY

Determines how controller will process advertising packets when initiating:

- The Link Layer shall process connectable advertising packets from all devices in the White List
- The Link Layer shall ignore the White List and process connectable advertising packets from a specific single device specified by the Host

## WHITE LISTS

No need to send every advertising packet to Host  
only send information from devices in white list

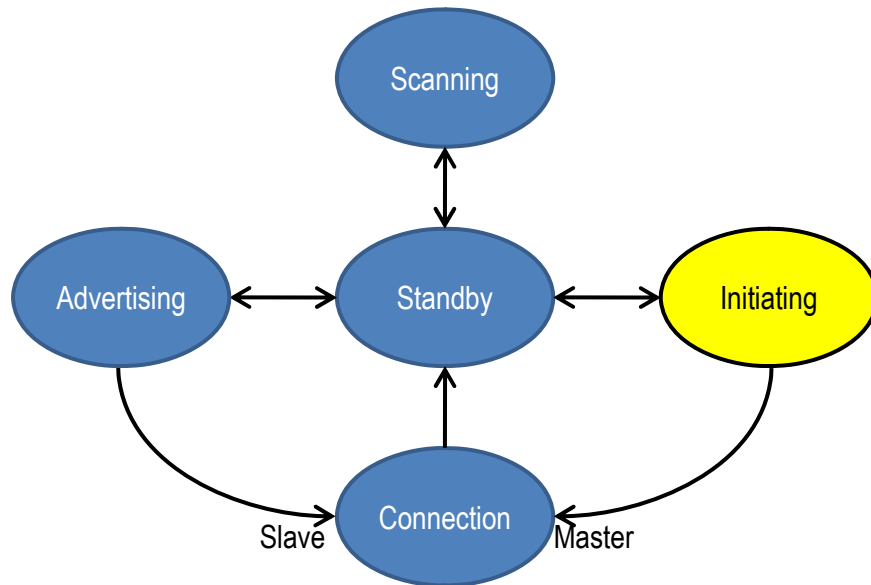
Allows “connect to white list” semantics

a master can automatically connect to a set of devices  
will connect when sees adverts from these devices  
allows very fast connections from many devices

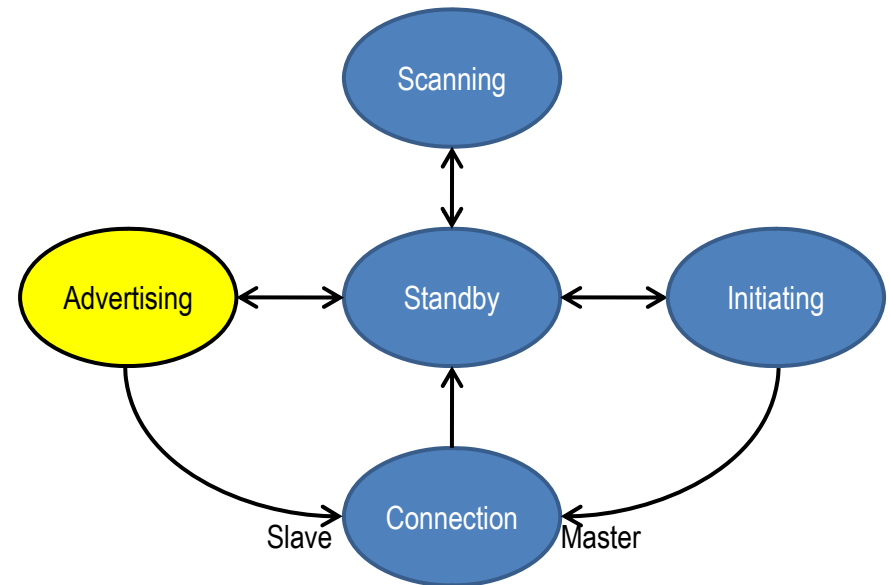


# INITIATING CONNECTIONS

## Initiator

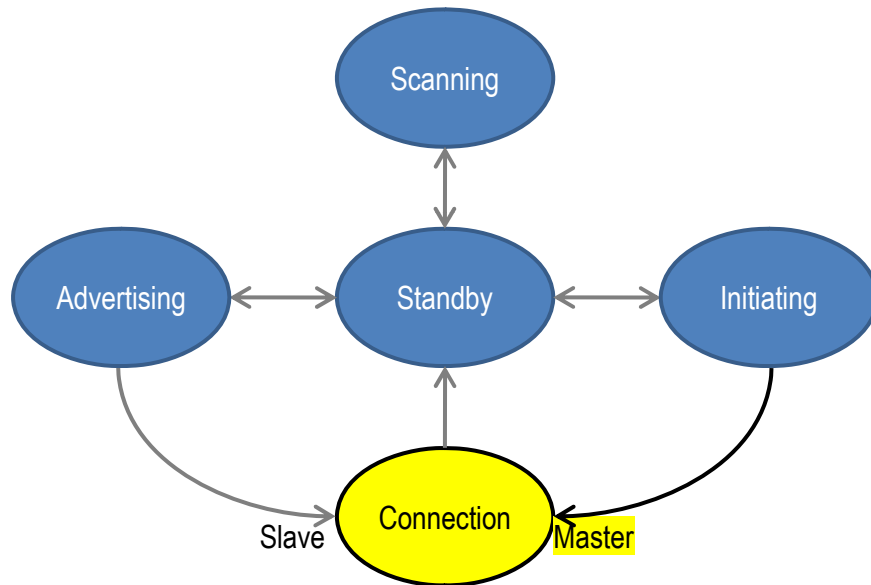


## Connectable Advertiser

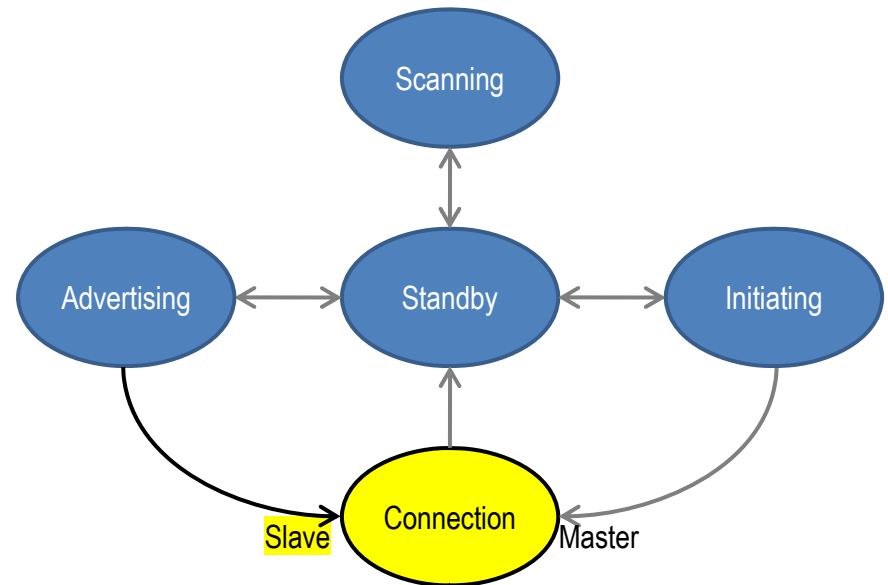


# CONNECTIONS

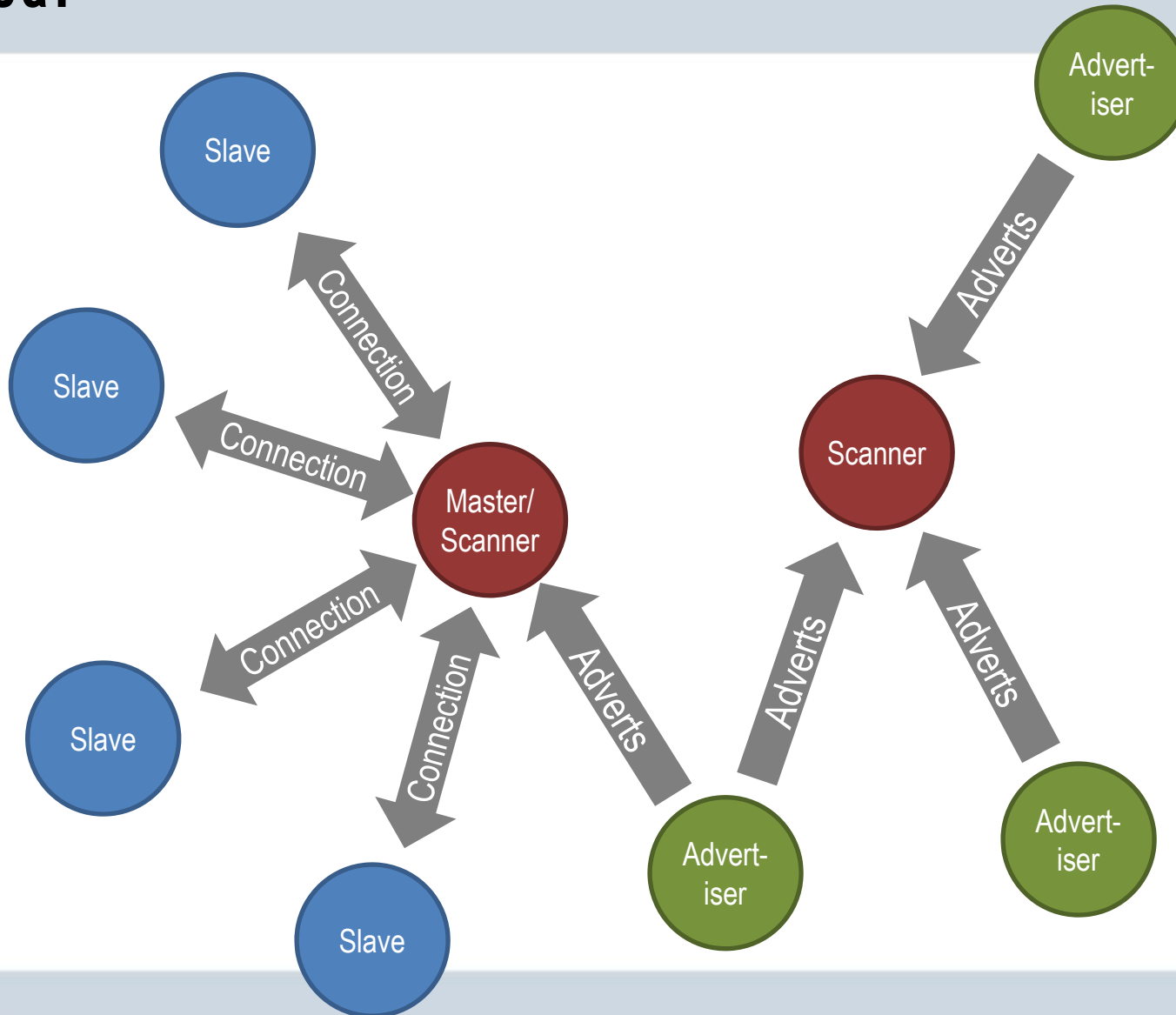
## Master



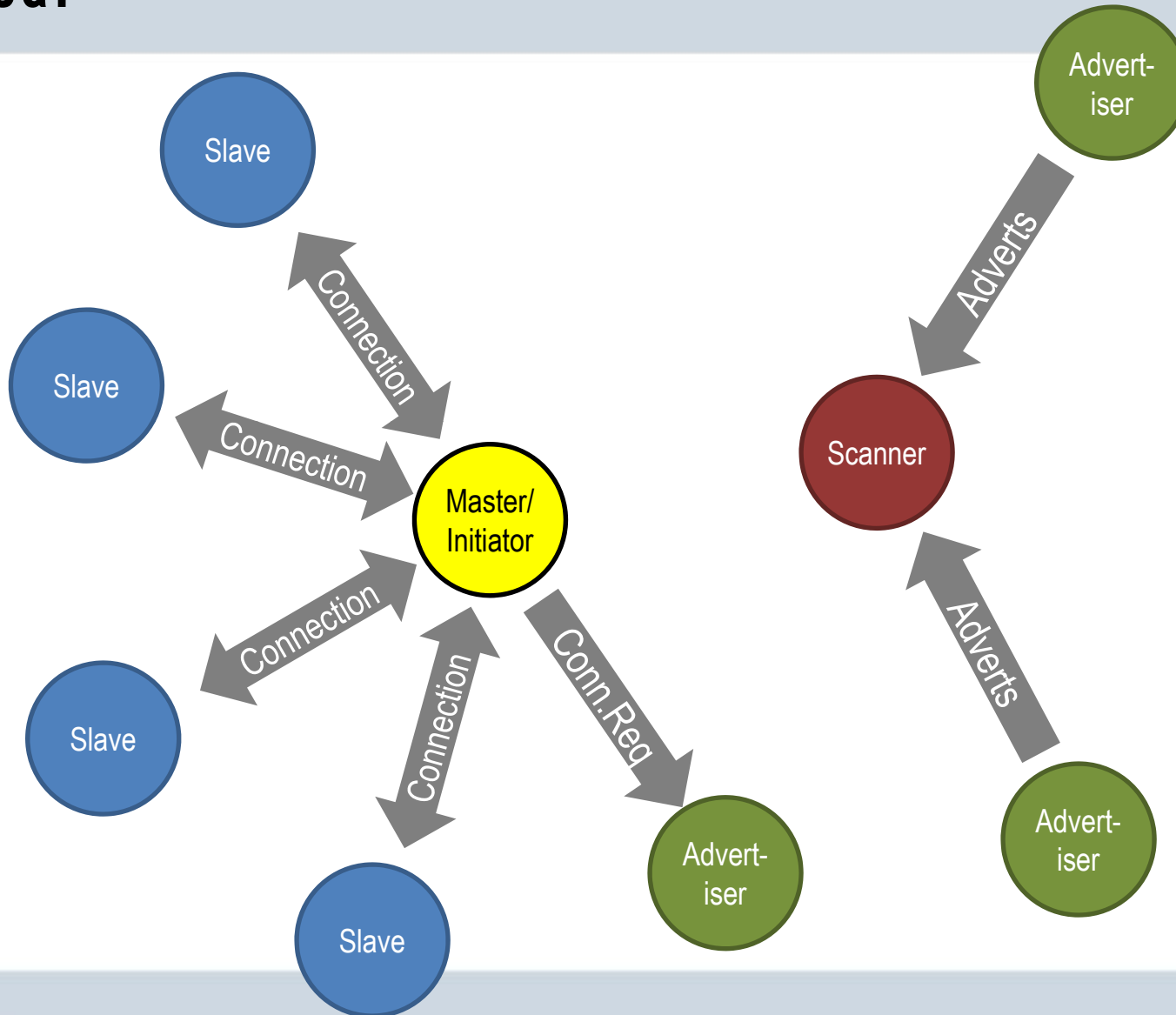
## Slave



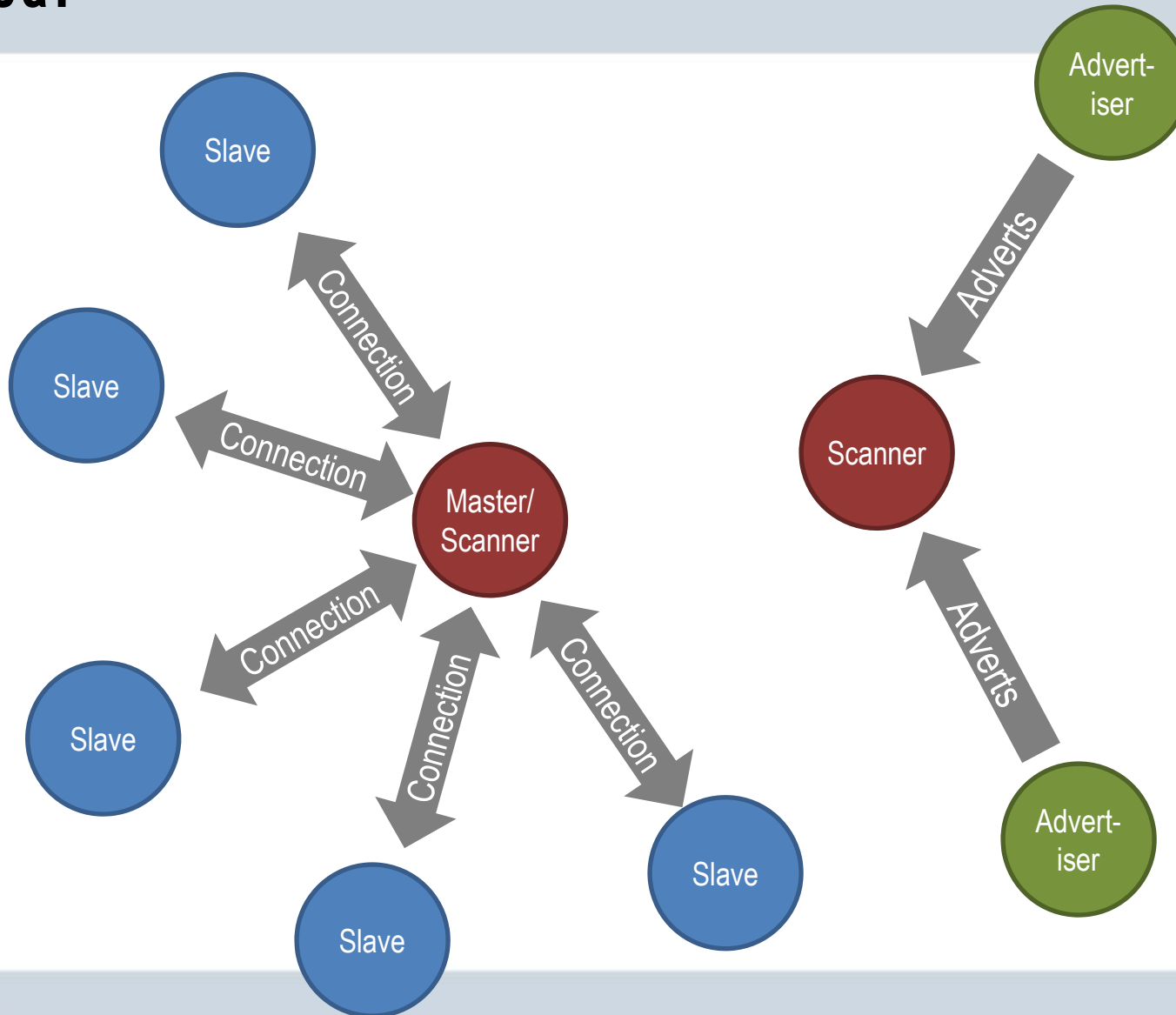
# TOPOLOGY



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## LIMITS

A single master can address  $\sim 2^{31}$  slaves

~ 2 billion addressable slaves per master

Max Connection Interval = 4.0 seconds

Can address a slave every  $\sim 5$  ms (assuming 250 ppm clocks)

~ 800 active slaves per master

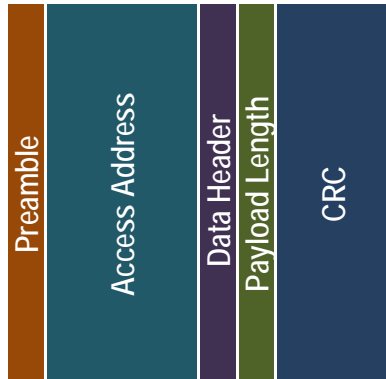
# CONNECTIONS

Used to send application data  
reliably, robustly

Includes

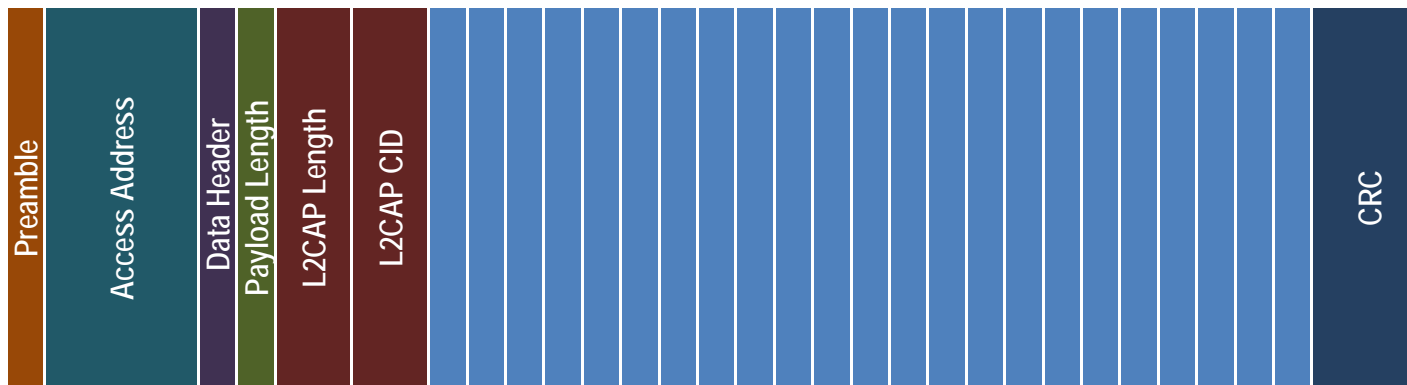
- ultra low power connection mode
- adaptive frequency hopping
- connection supervision timeout

# DATA PACKET



Empty Packet

0 to 27 bytes of Payload





# DATA PACKET

0 to 27 bytes of Payload (unencrypted)

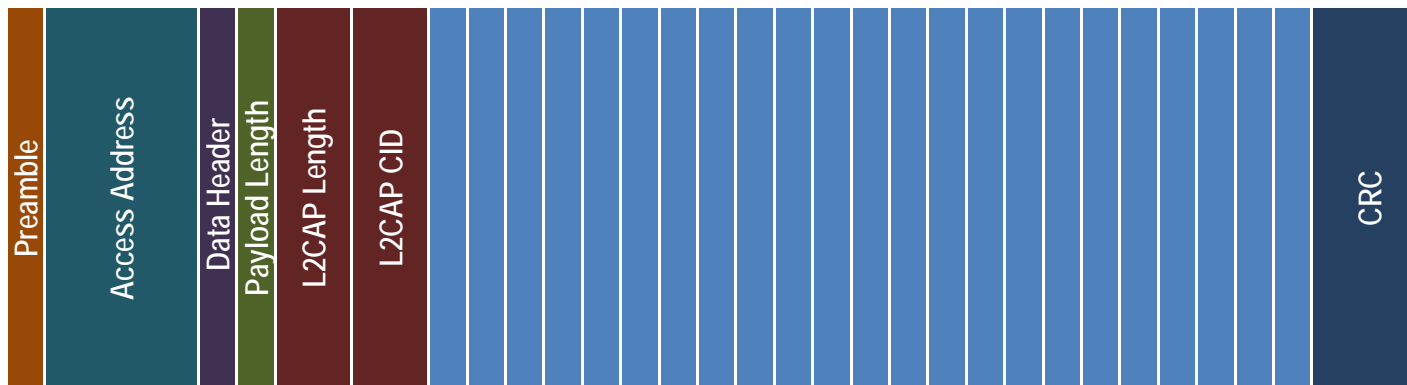
CRC protects

Data Header

Payload Length

Payload

Payload

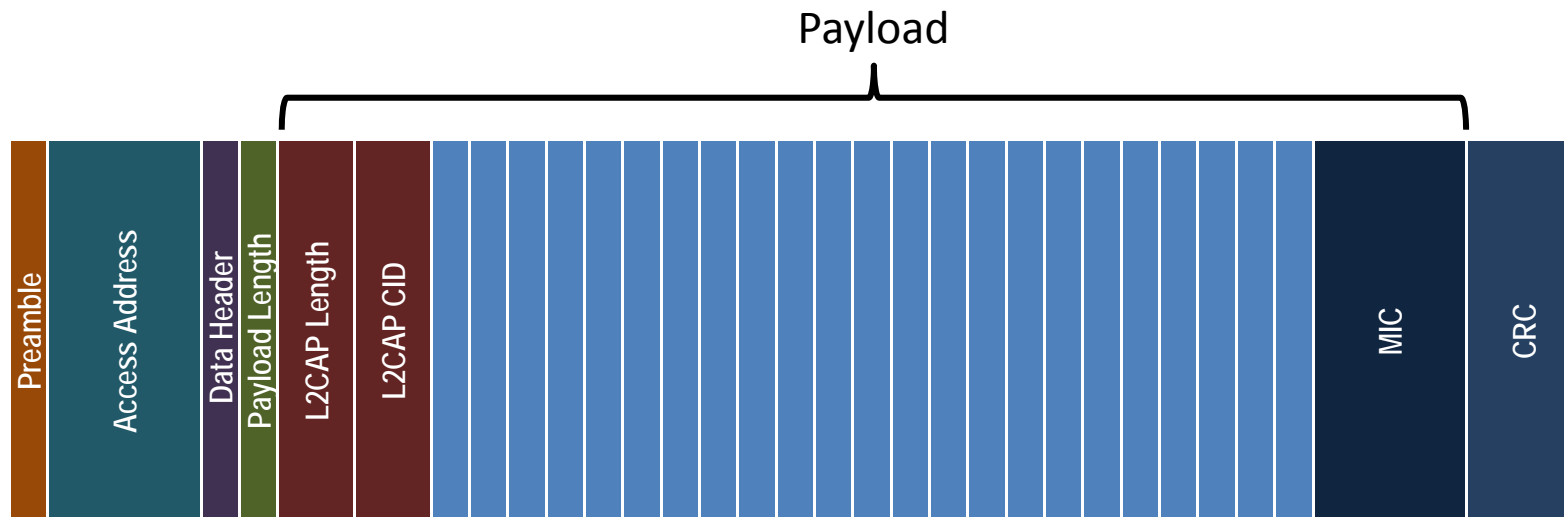


# ENCRYPTED DATA PACKET

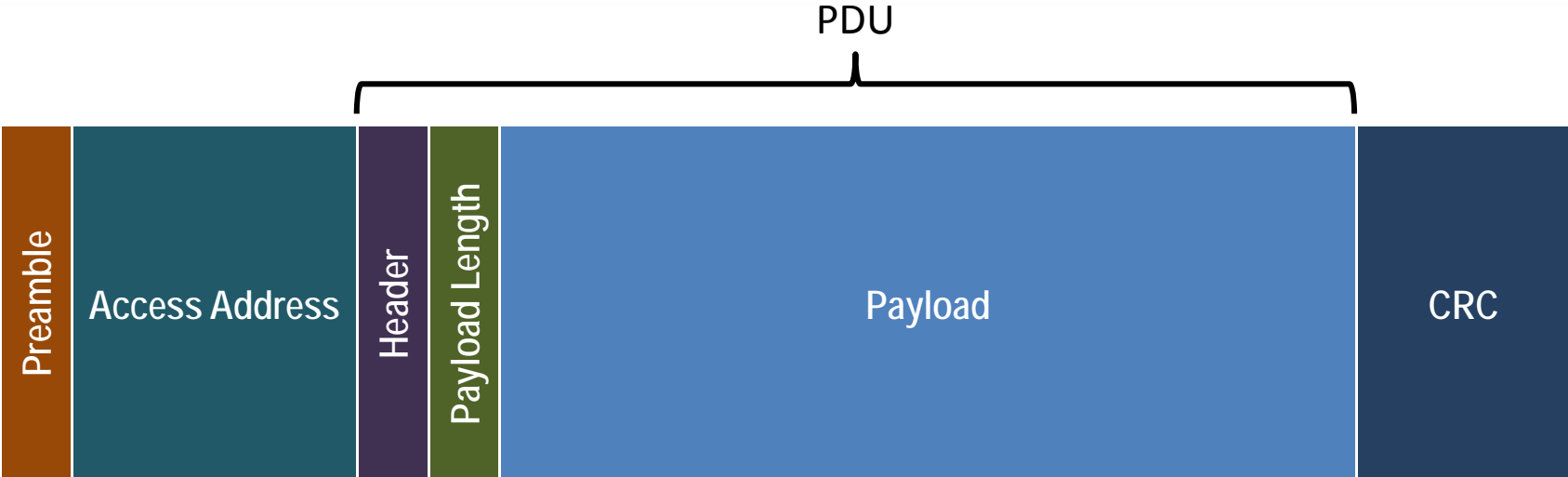
4 to 31 bytes of payload length

MIC is part of “Payload”, CRC protects it

MIC can be computed / checked in background



# PDU HEADERS



Data channel PDU Header / Payload Length

LLID	NESN	SN	MD	RFU
Length (0 – 31)				RFU

# LOGICAL LINK IDENTIFIER

LLID	Description
00	Reserved
01	LL Data PDU  Continuation of an L2CAP message or an Empty PDU
10	LL Data PDU  Start of an L2CAP message Complete L2CAP message
11	LL Control PDU

# SEQUENCE NUMBERS

SN = Sequence Number

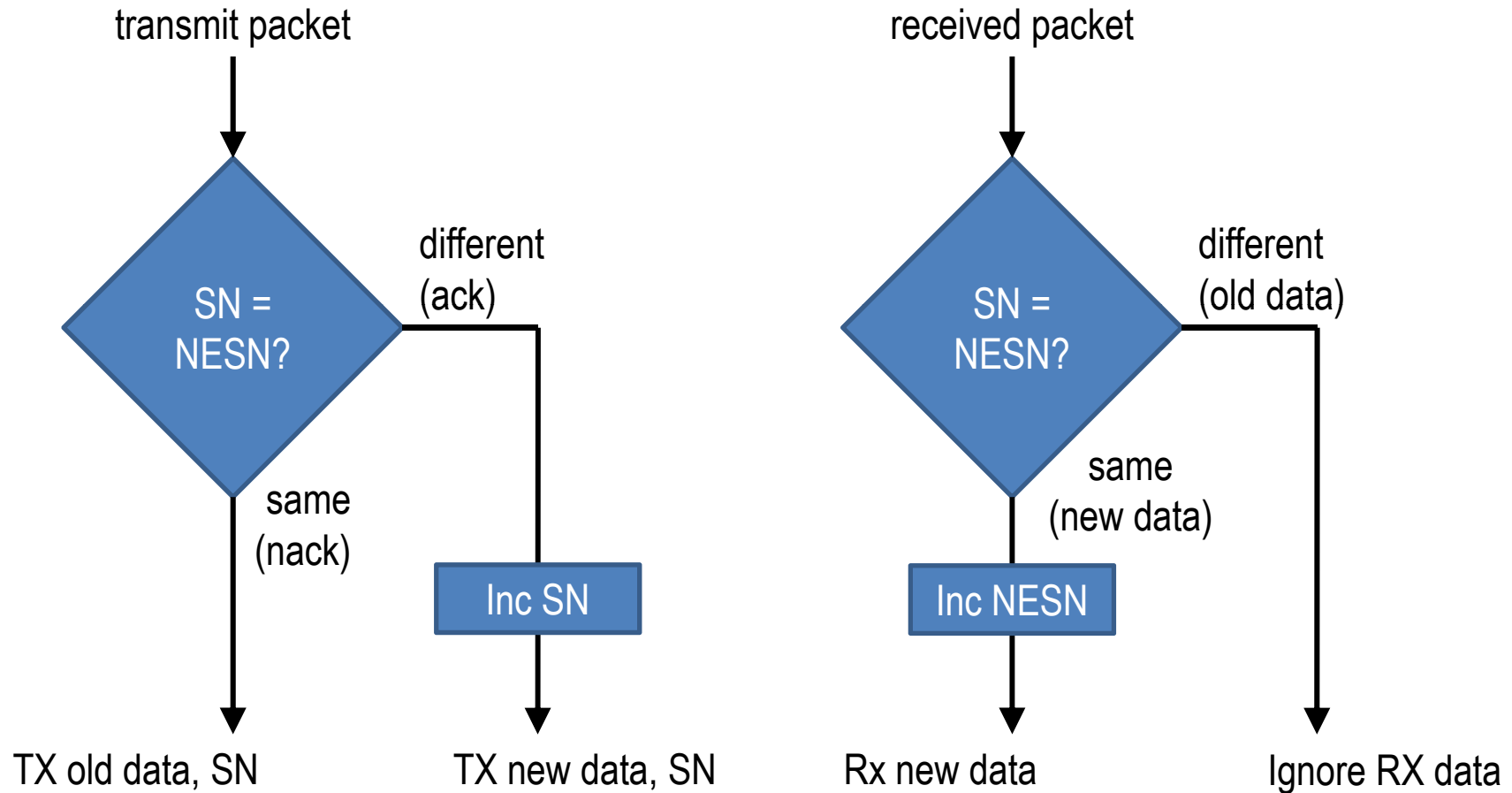
NESN = Next Expected Sequence Number

Sliding Window Algorithm

window size of 1

lazy acknowledgement possible – saves power

# TRANSMITTING DATA

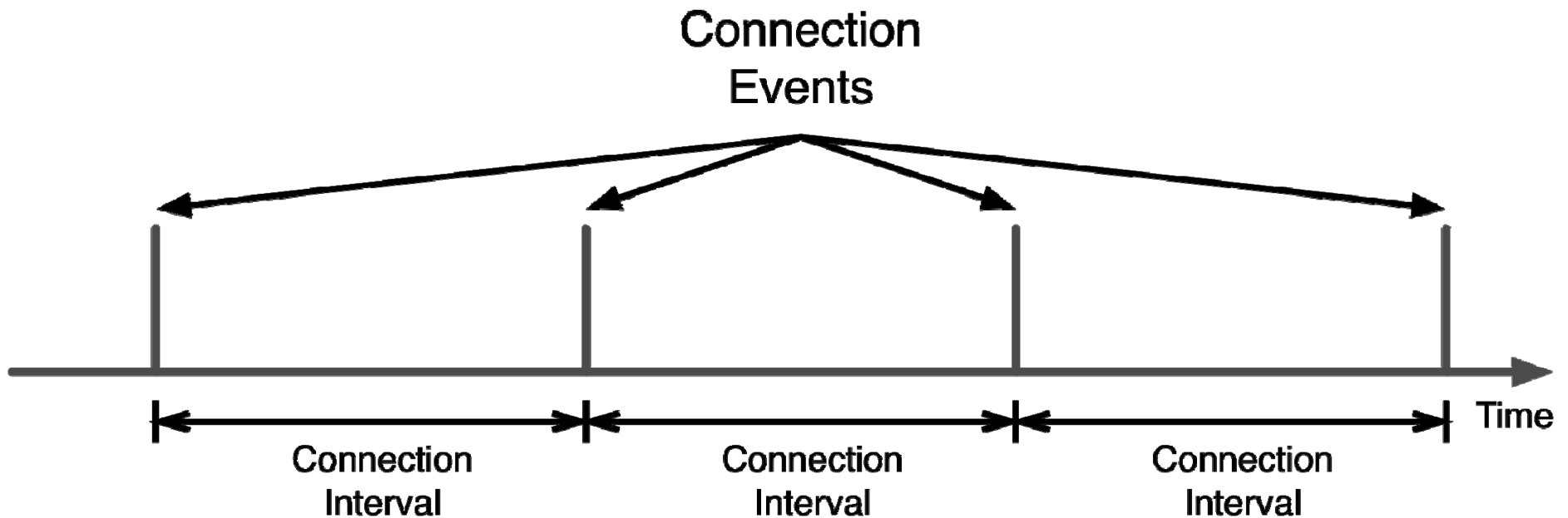


# CONNECTION EVENTS

Masters transmits periodically at a connection events

Connection Interval sent in CONNECT\_REQ

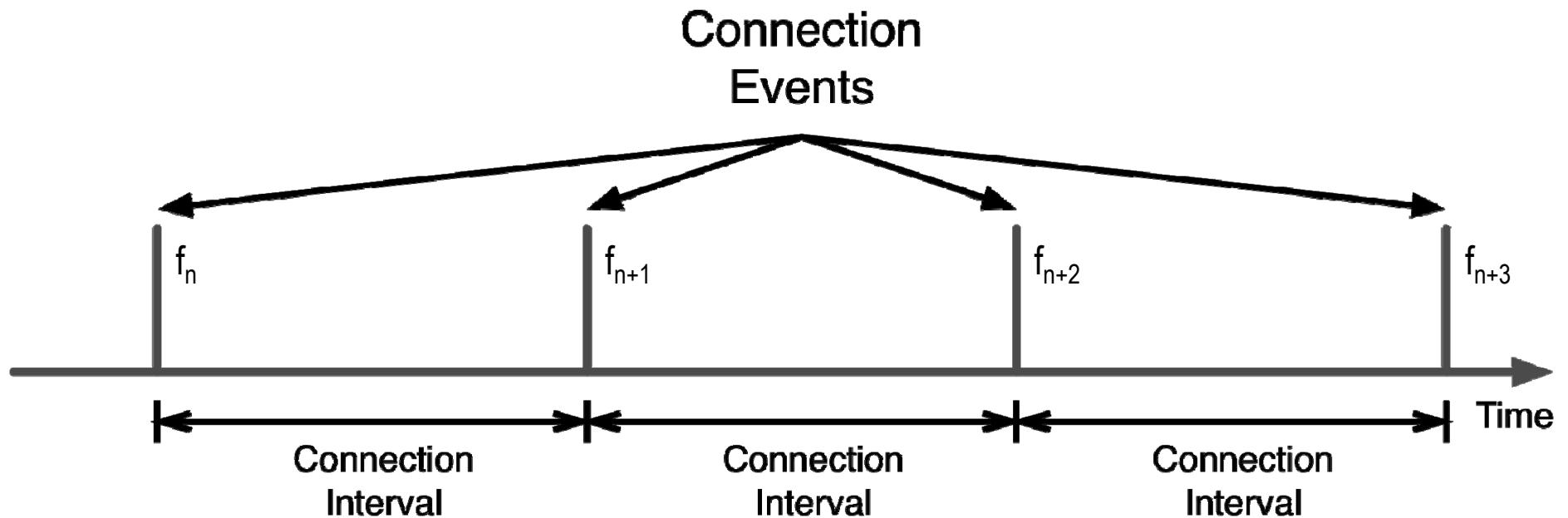
Connection events continue until MD = 0



# CONNECTION EVENTS

Each connection event uses a different channel

$$f_{n+1} = (f_n + \text{hop}) \bmod 37$$





# LATENCY

## Master Latency

how often the master will transmit to slave

## Slave Latency

how often the slave will listen to master

The two latencies don't have to be the same

Master Latency = Connection Interval (7.5 ms to 4.0 s)

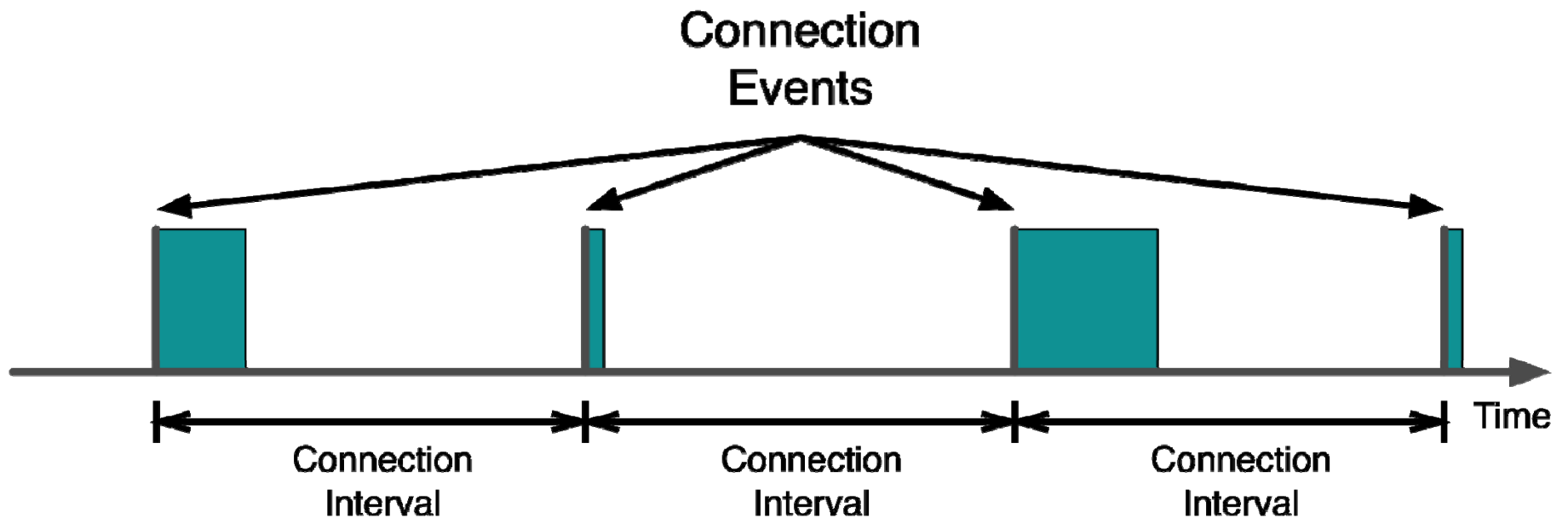
Slave Latency = Connection Interval \* Slave Latency

# MORE DATA

		Master	
		MD = 0	MD = 1
Slave	MD = 0	<p>Neither device has more data to send.</p> <p>Connection event closed</p>	<p>Master has more data, Slave has no more data.</p> <p>Master may continue, Slave should listen</p>
	MD = 1	<p>Slave has more data, Master has no more data.</p> <p>Master may continue, Slave should listen</p>	<p>Both devices have more data.</p> <p>Master may continue, Slave should listen.</p>

# CONNECTION EVENTS

More Data bit automatically extends connection events



# PACKET TIMINGS

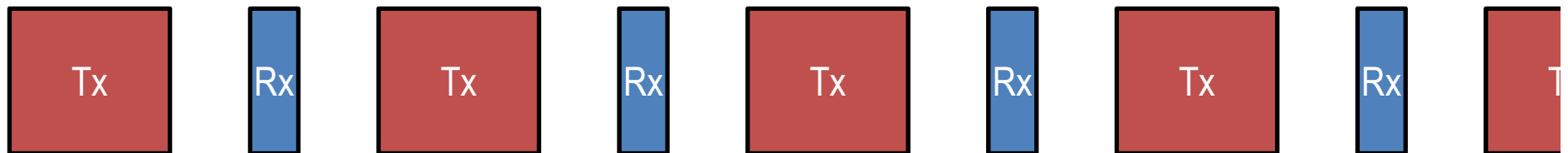
Peer device transmits 150  $\mu\text{s}$  after last packet

Minimum size packet = 80  $\mu\text{s}$

(Preamble + Access Address + Header + CRC)

Maximum size packet = 328  $\mu\text{s}$

(Preamble + Access Address + Header + Payload + MIC + CRC)



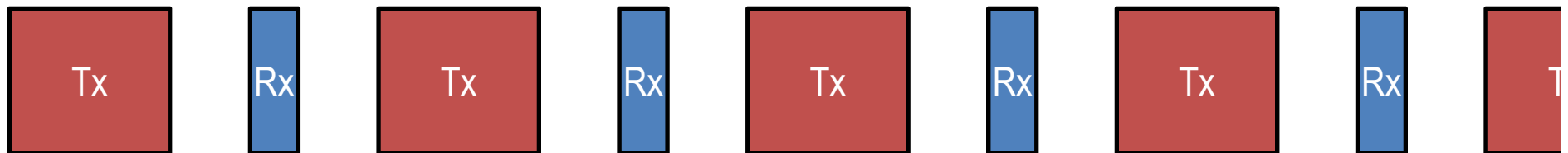
# MAXIMUM DATA RATE

## Asymmetric Tx/Rx Packet Sequence

$$328 + 150 + 80 + 150 = 708 \mu\text{s}$$

Transmitting 27 octets of application data

~305 kbps



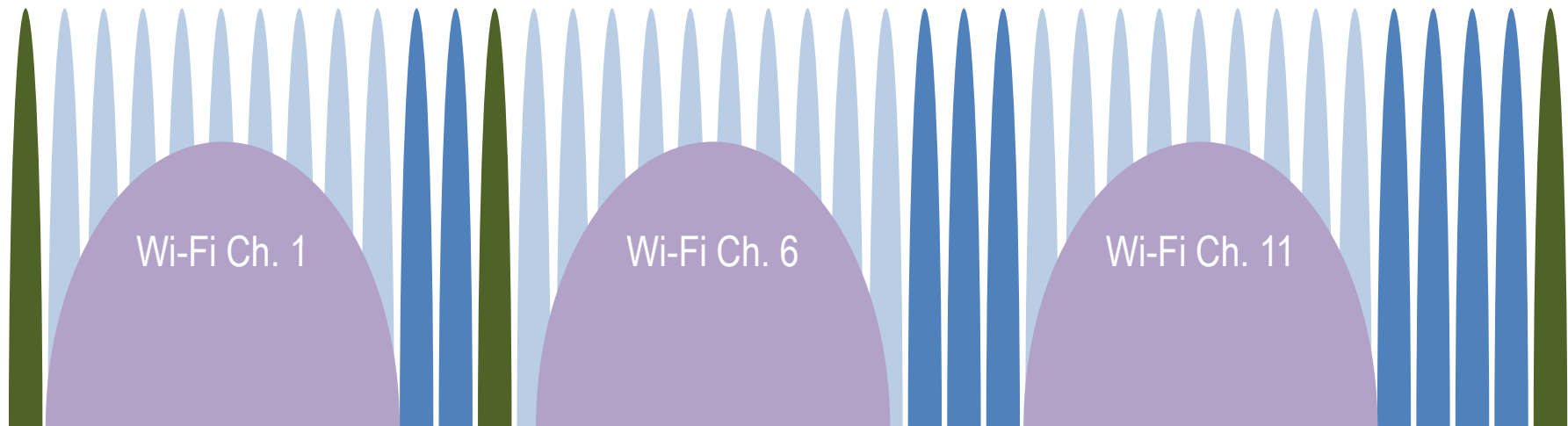
# ADAPTIVE FREQUENCY HOPPING

Frequency Hopping algorithm is very simple

$$f_{n+1} = (f_n + \text{hop}) \bmod 37$$

If  $f_n$  is a “used” channel, use as is

If  $f_n$  is an “unused” channel, remap to set of good channels

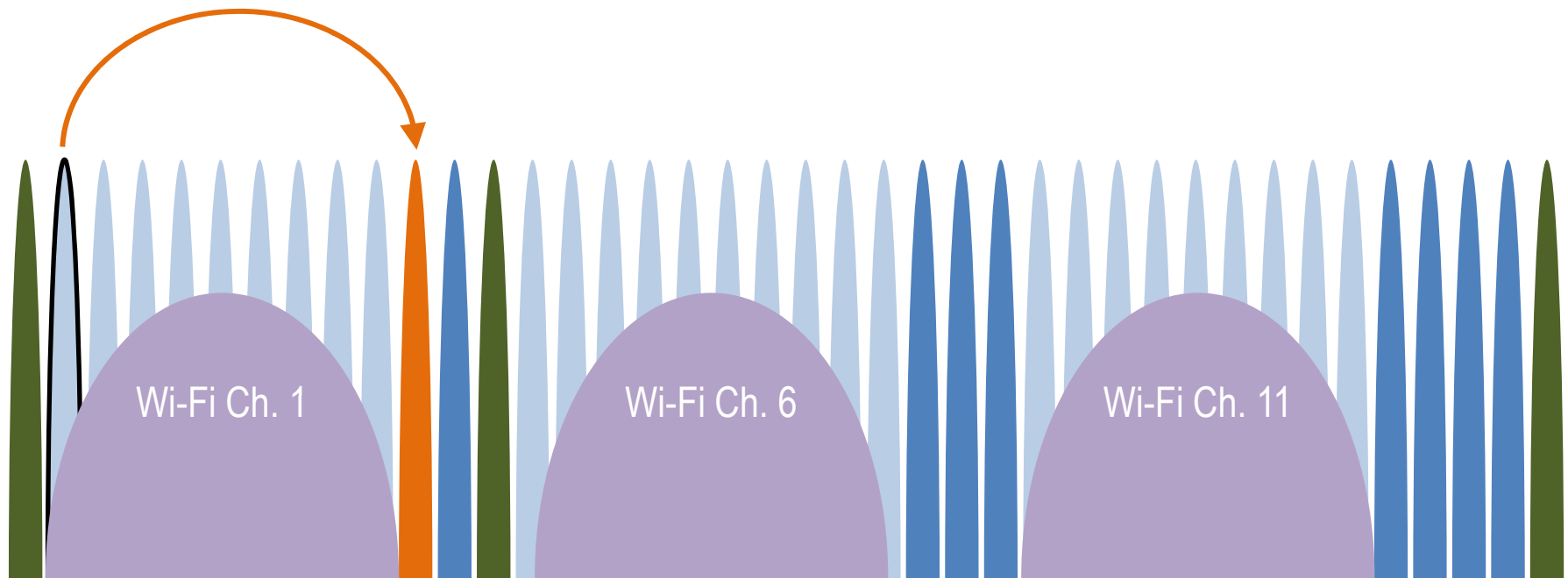


# ADAPTIVE FREQUENCY HOPPING

$f_n = 0$ , hop = 7, used = [9, 10, 21, 22, 23, 33, 34, 35, 36]

“unused”;  $f_{n+1} = f_n + 7 \bmod 37 = 7 \bmod 37 \rightarrow 7$

$0 \bmod 9 \rightarrow 0$ ; used[0]  $\rightarrow 9$

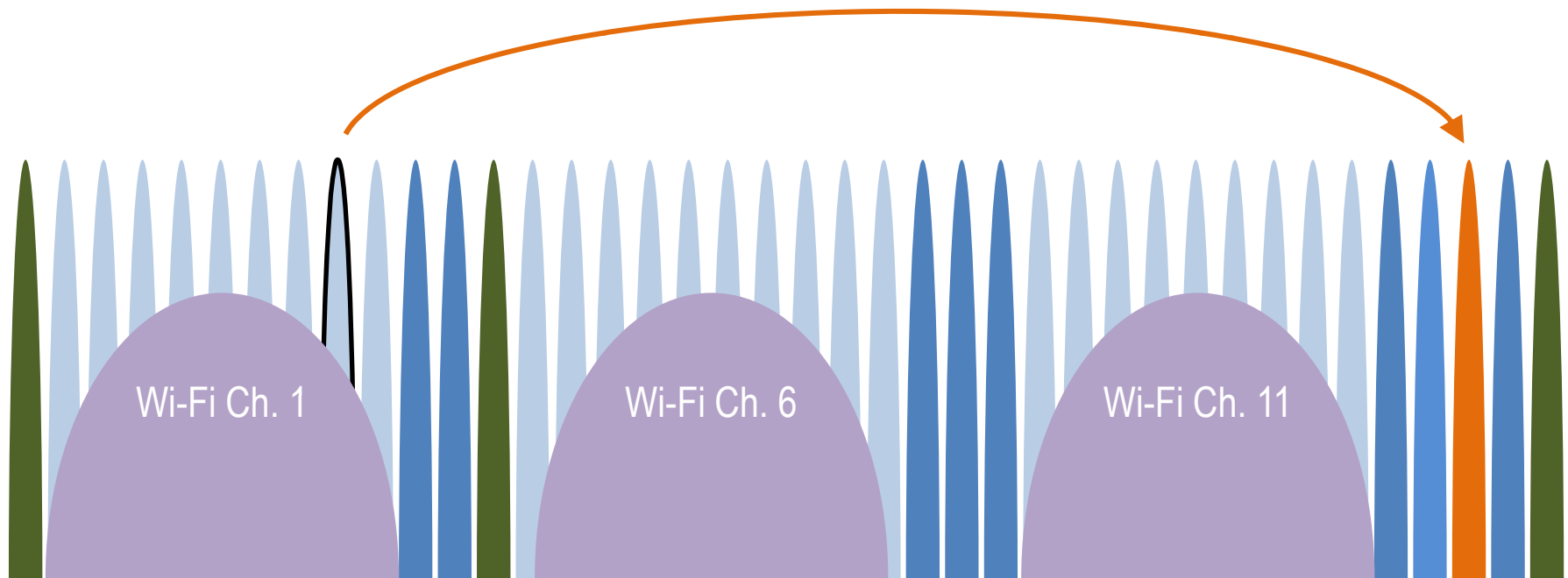


# ADAPTIVE FREQUENCY HOPPING

$f_n = 7$ , hop = 7, used = [9, 10, 21, 22, 23, 33, 34, 35, 36]

“unused”;  $f_{n+1} = f_n + 7 \bmod 37 = 14 \bmod 37 \rightarrow 14$

$7 \bmod 9 \rightarrow 7$ ; used[7]  $\rightarrow$  35



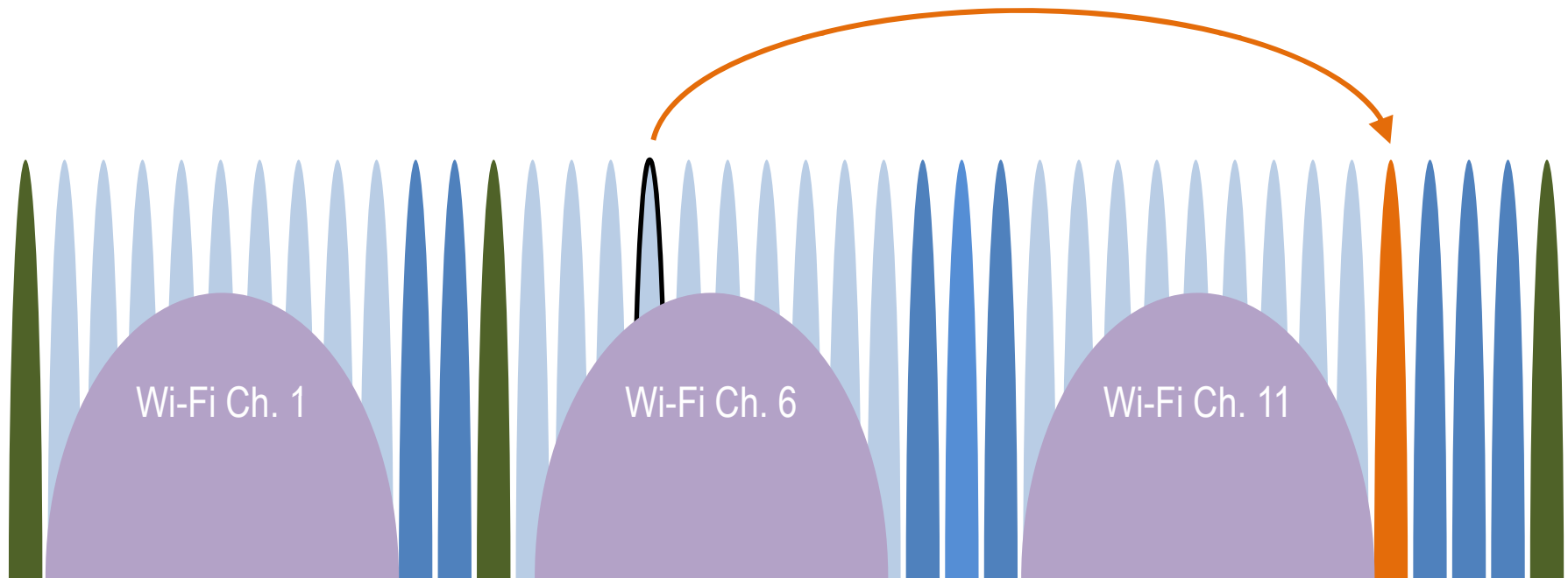


# ADAPTIVE FREQUENCY HOPPING

$f_n = 14$ , hop = 7, used = [9, 10, 21, 22, 23, 33, 34, 35, 36]

“unused”;  $f_{n+1} = f_n + 7 \bmod 37 = 21 \bmod 37 \rightarrow 21$

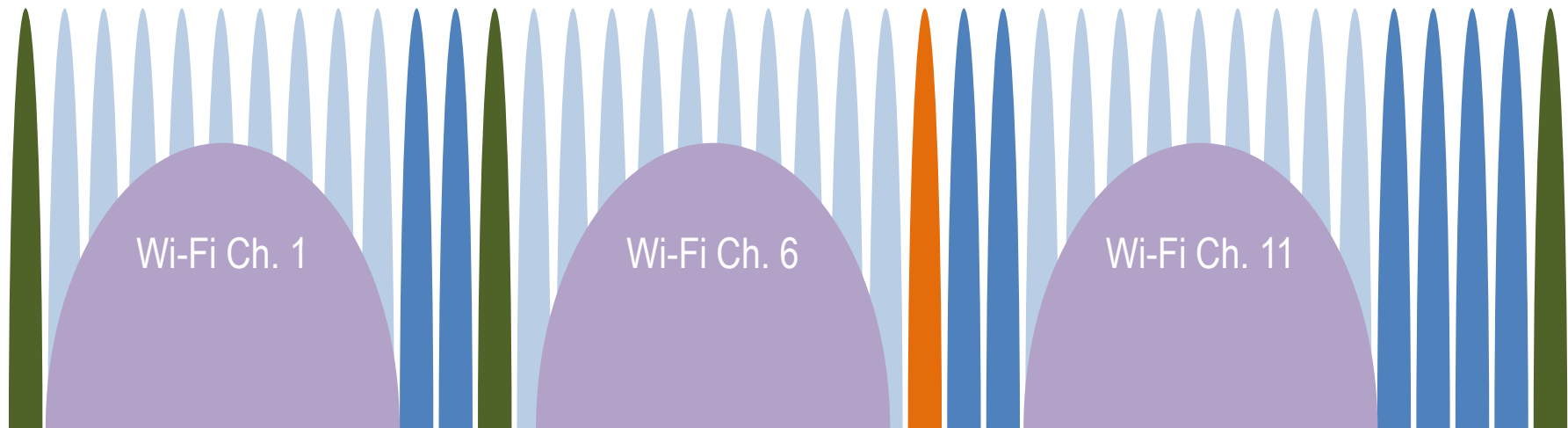
$14 \bmod 9 \rightarrow 5$ ; used[5]  $\rightarrow 33$



## ADAPTIVE FREQUENCY HOPPING

$f_n = 21$ ,  $\text{hop} = 7$ ,  $\text{used} = [9, 10, 21, 22, 23, 33, 34, 35, 36]$

“used”;  $f_{n+1} = f_n + 7 \bmod 37 = 28 \bmod 37 \rightarrow 28$

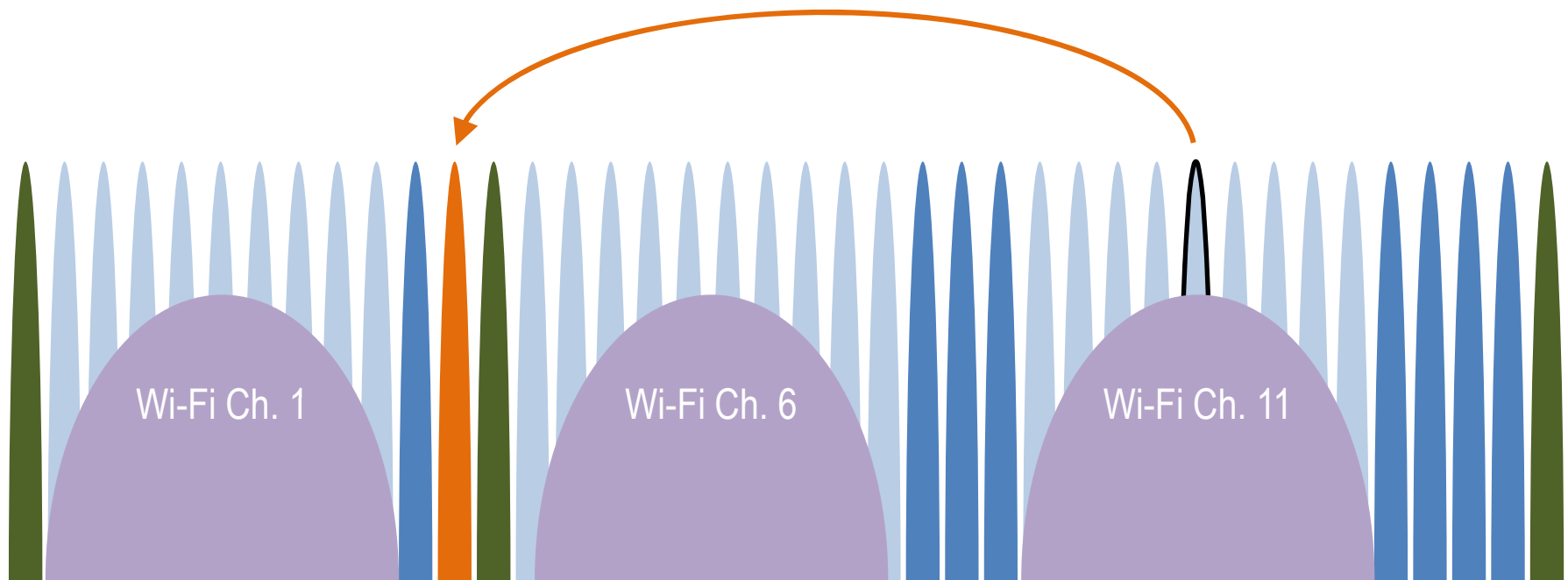


# ADAPTIVE FREQUENCY HOPPING

$f_n = 28$ ,  $\text{hop} = 7$ ,  $\text{used} = [9, 10, 21, 22, 23, 33, 34, 35, 36]$

“unused”;  $f_{n+1} = f_n + 7 \bmod 37 = 35 \bmod 37 \rightarrow 35$

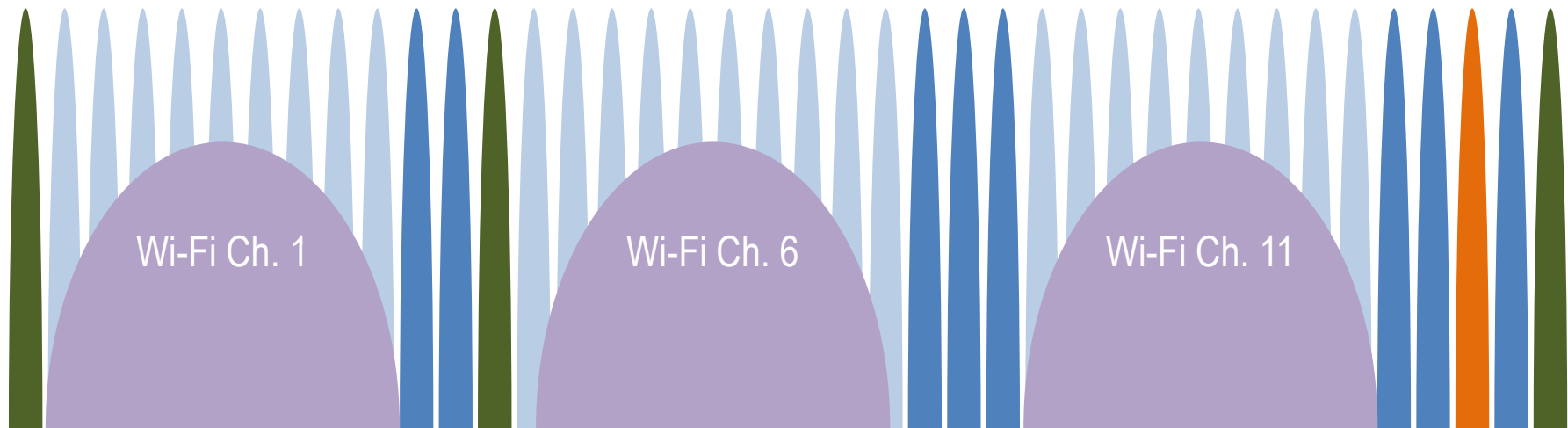
$28 \bmod 9 \rightarrow 1$ ;  $\text{used}[1] \rightarrow 10$



# ADAPTIVE FREQUENCY HOPPING

$f_n = 35$ ,  $\text{hop} = 7$ ,  $\text{used} = [9, 10, 21, 22, 23, 33, 34, 35, 36]$

“used”;  $f_{n+1} = f_n + 7 \text{ mod } 37 = 42 \text{ mod } 37 \rightarrow 5$

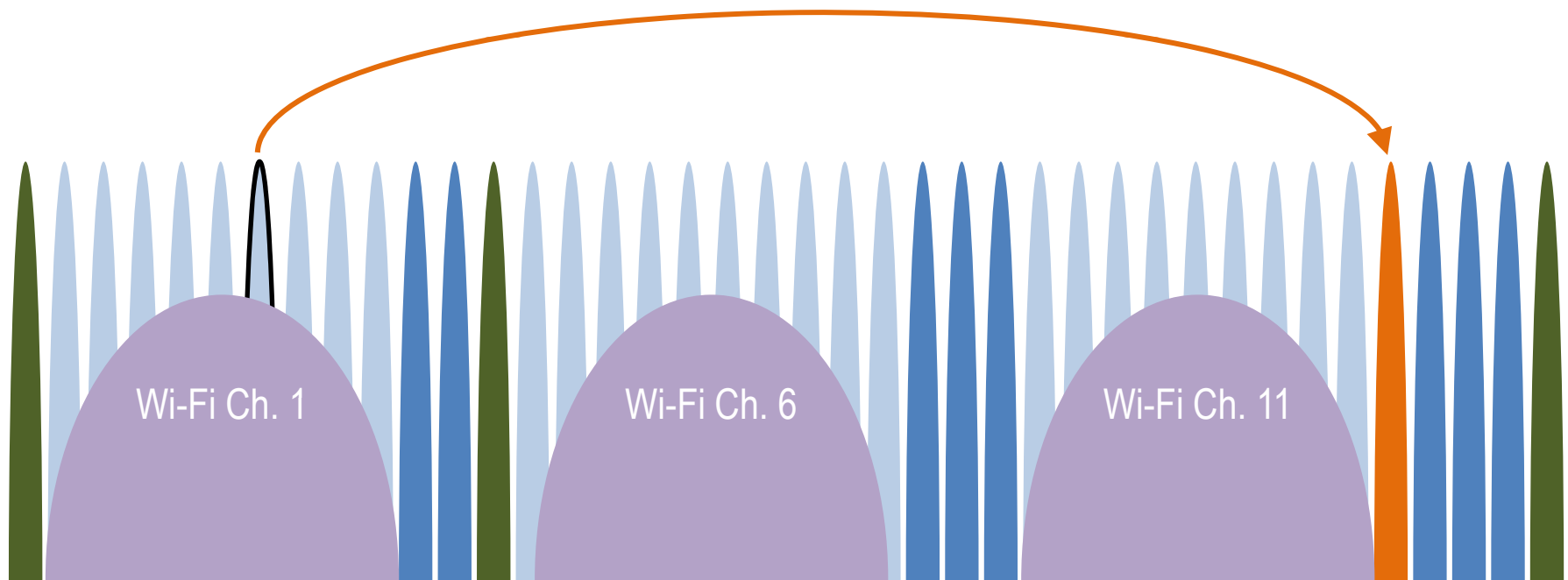


# ADAPTIVE FREQUENCY HOPPING

$f_n = 5$ ,  $\text{hop} = 7$ ,  $\text{used} = [9, 10, 21, 22, 23, 33, 34, 35, 36]$

“unused”;  $f_{n+1} = f_n + 7 \bmod 37 = 12 \bmod 37 \rightarrow 12$

$5 \bmod 9 \rightarrow 5$ ;  $\text{used}[5] \rightarrow 33$

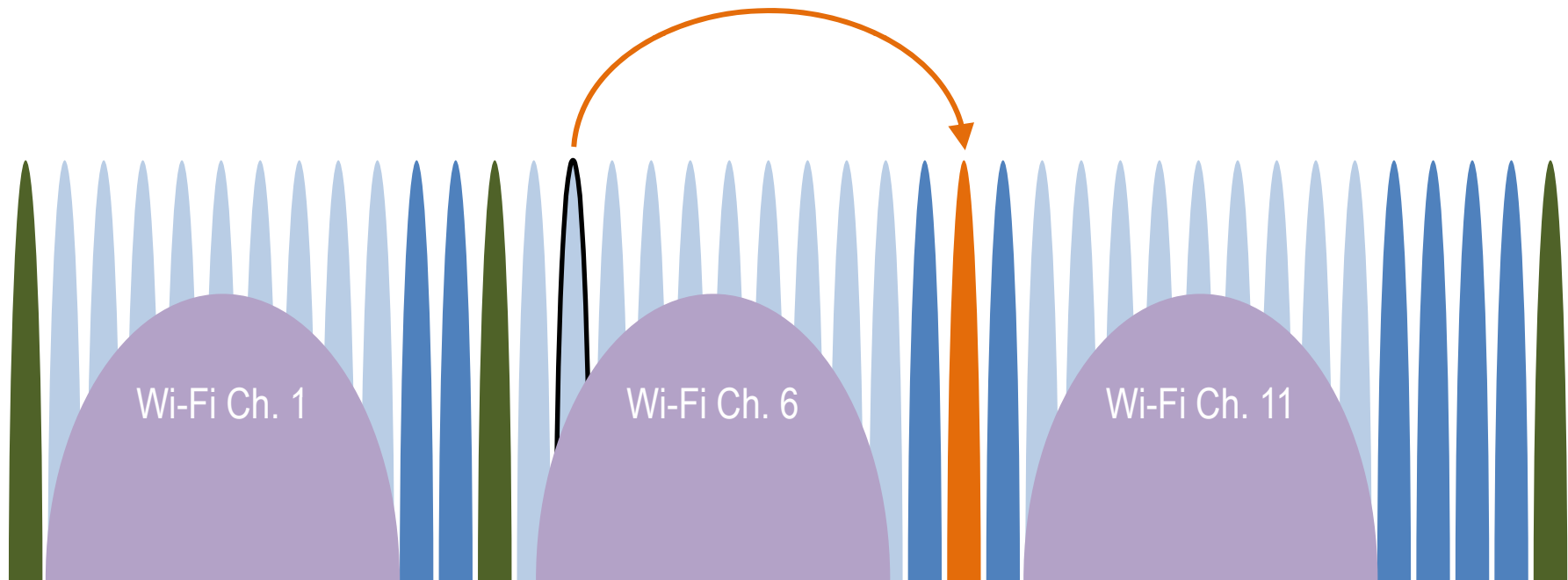


# ADAPTIVE FREQUENCY HOPPING

$f_n = 12$ ,  $\text{hop} = 7$ ,  $\text{used} = [9, 10, 21, 22, 23, 33, 34, 35, 36]$

“unused”;  $f_{n+1} = f_n + 7 \bmod 37 = 19 \bmod 37 \rightarrow 19$

$12 \bmod 9 \rightarrow 3$ ;  $\text{used}[3] \rightarrow 22$

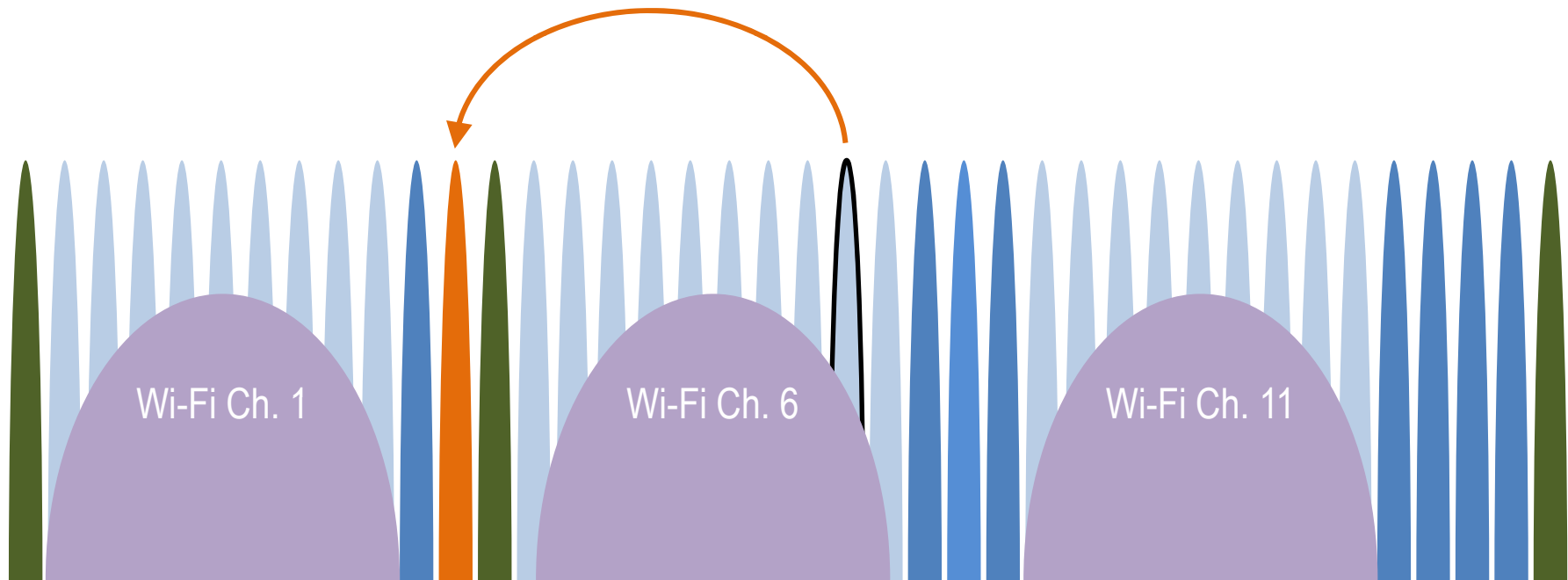


# ADAPTIVE FREQUENCY HOPPING

$f_n = 19$ ,  $\text{hop} = 7$ ,  $\text{used} = [9, 10, 21, 22, 23, 33, 34, 35, 36]$

“unused”;  $f_{n+1} = f_n + 7 \bmod 37 = 26 \bmod 37 \rightarrow 26$

$19 \bmod 9 \rightarrow 1$ ;  $\text{used}[1] \rightarrow 10$

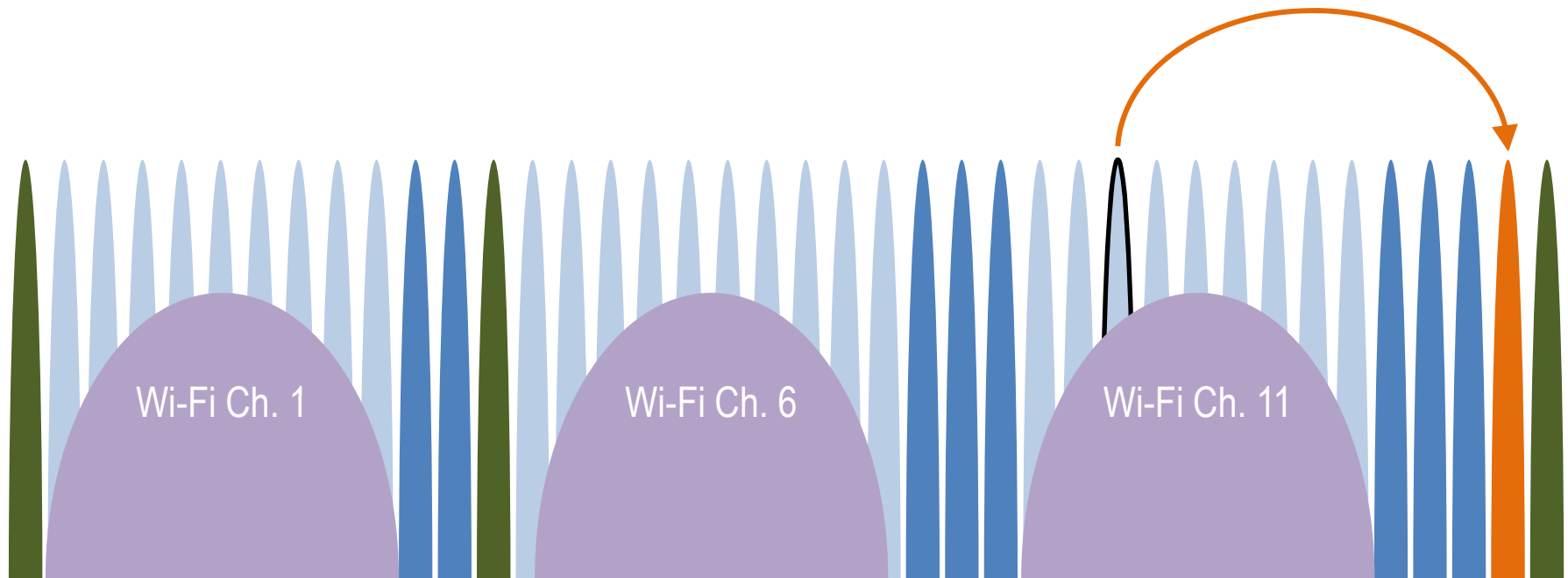


# ADAPTIVE FREQUENCY HOPPING

$f_n = 26$ ,  $\text{hop} = 7$ ,  $\text{used} = [9, 10, 21, 22, 23, 33, 34, 35, 36]$

“unused”;  $f_{n+1} = f_n + 7 \bmod 37 = 33 \bmod 37 \rightarrow 33$

$26 \bmod 9 \rightarrow 8$ ;  $\text{used}[8] \rightarrow 36$

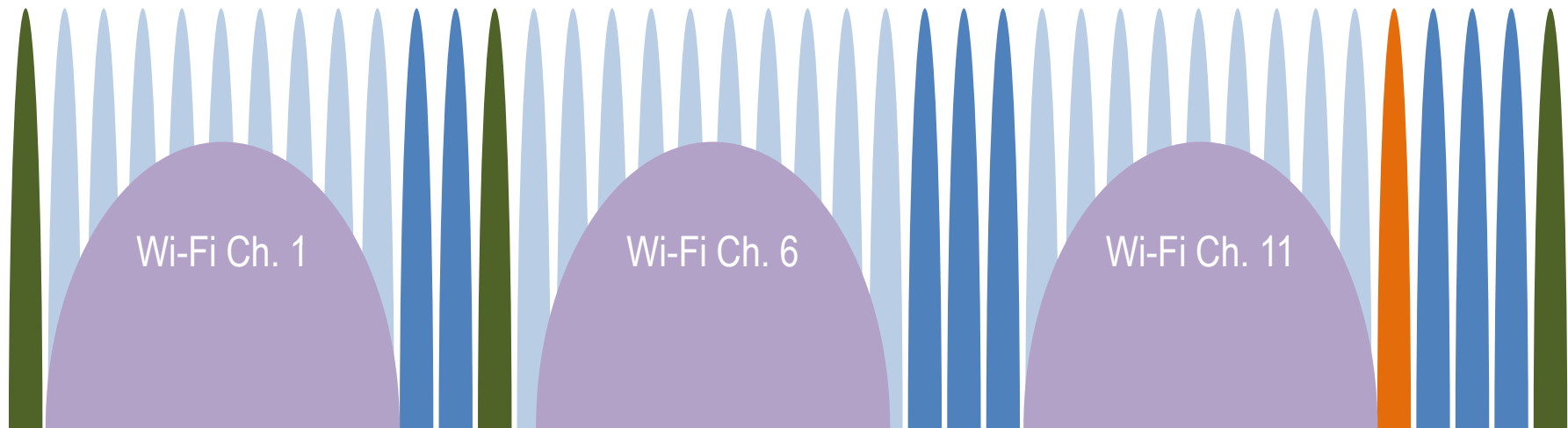




# ADAPTIVE FREQUENCY HOPPING

$f_n = 33$ ,  $\text{hop} = 7$ ,  $\text{used} = [9, 10, 21, 22, 23, 33, 34, 35, 36]$

“used”;  $f_{n+1} = f_n + 7 \bmod 37 = 40 \bmod 37 \rightarrow 3$

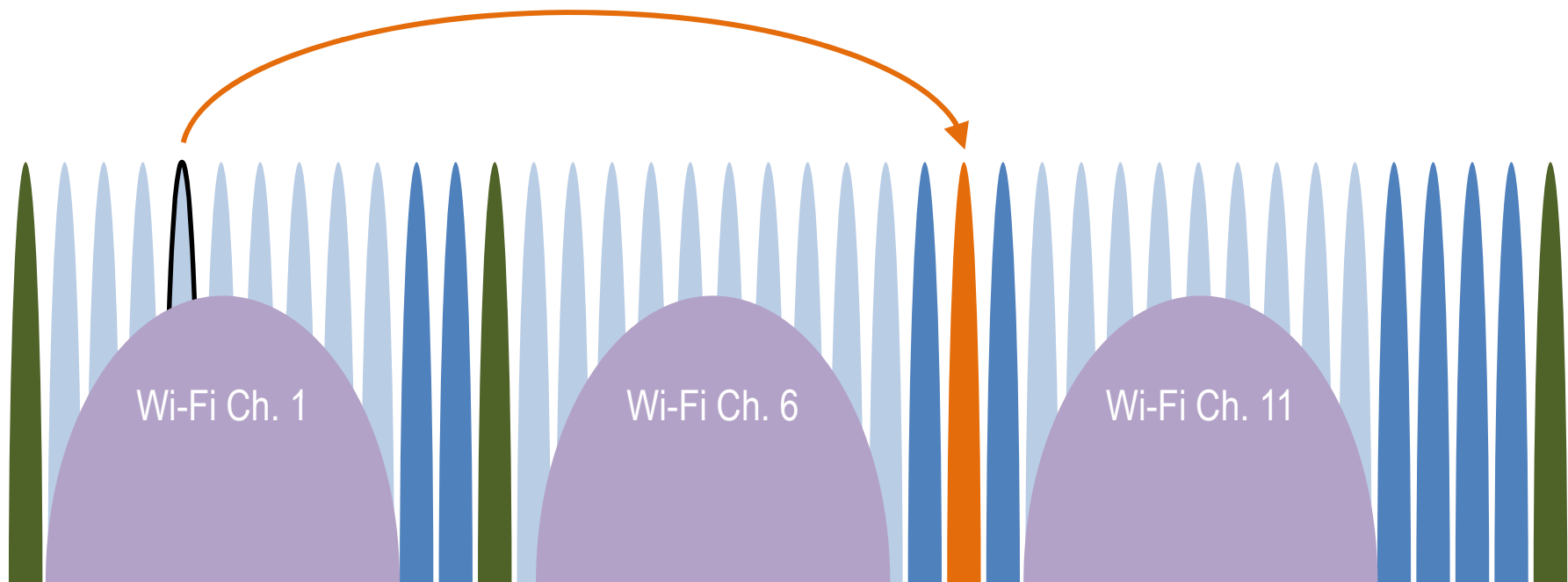


# ADAPTIVE FREQUENCY HOPPING

$f_n = 3$ ,  $\text{hop} = 7$ ,  $\text{used} = [9, 10, 21, 22, 23, 33, 34, 35, 36]$

“unused”;  $f_{n+1} = f_n + 7 \bmod 37 = 10 \bmod 37 \rightarrow 10$

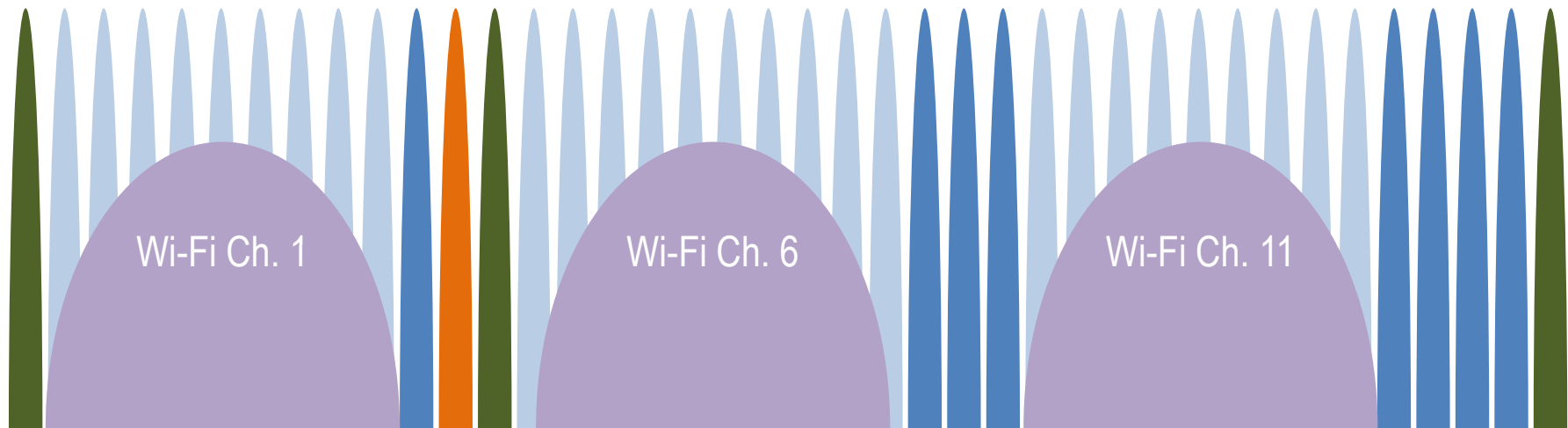
$3 \bmod 9 \rightarrow 3$ ;  $\text{used}[3] \rightarrow 22$

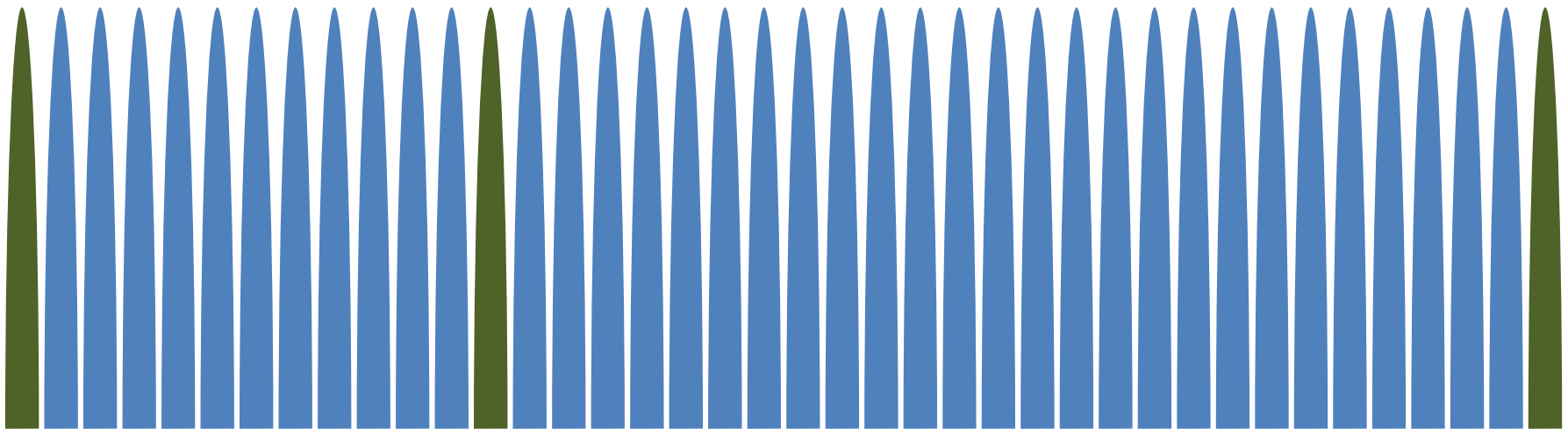
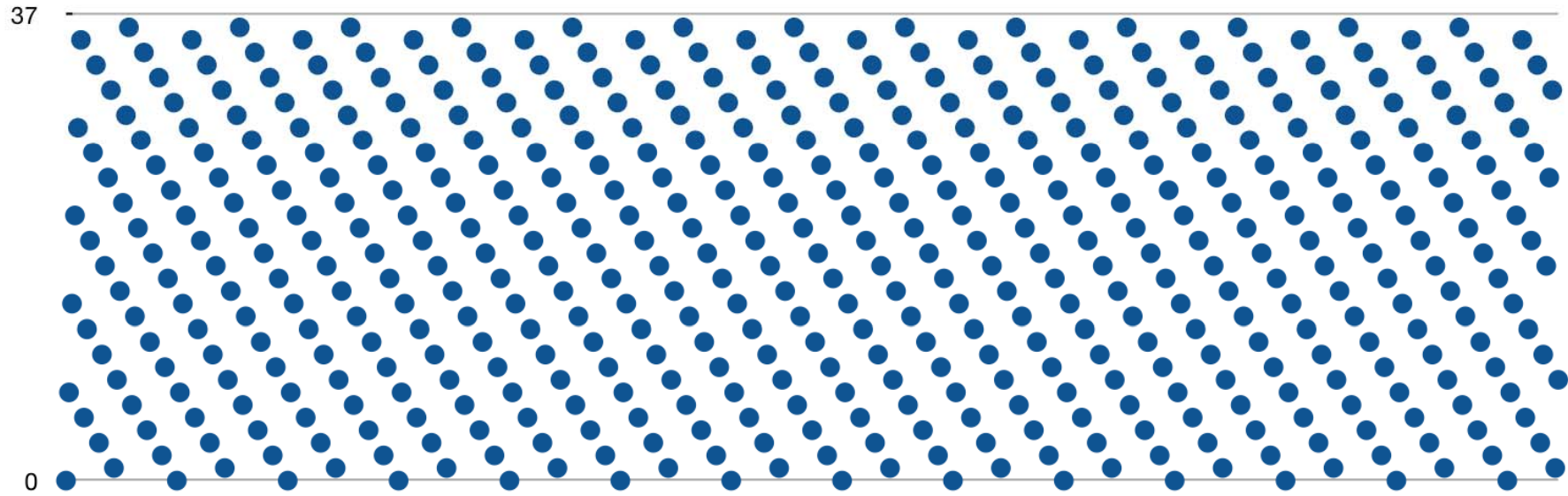


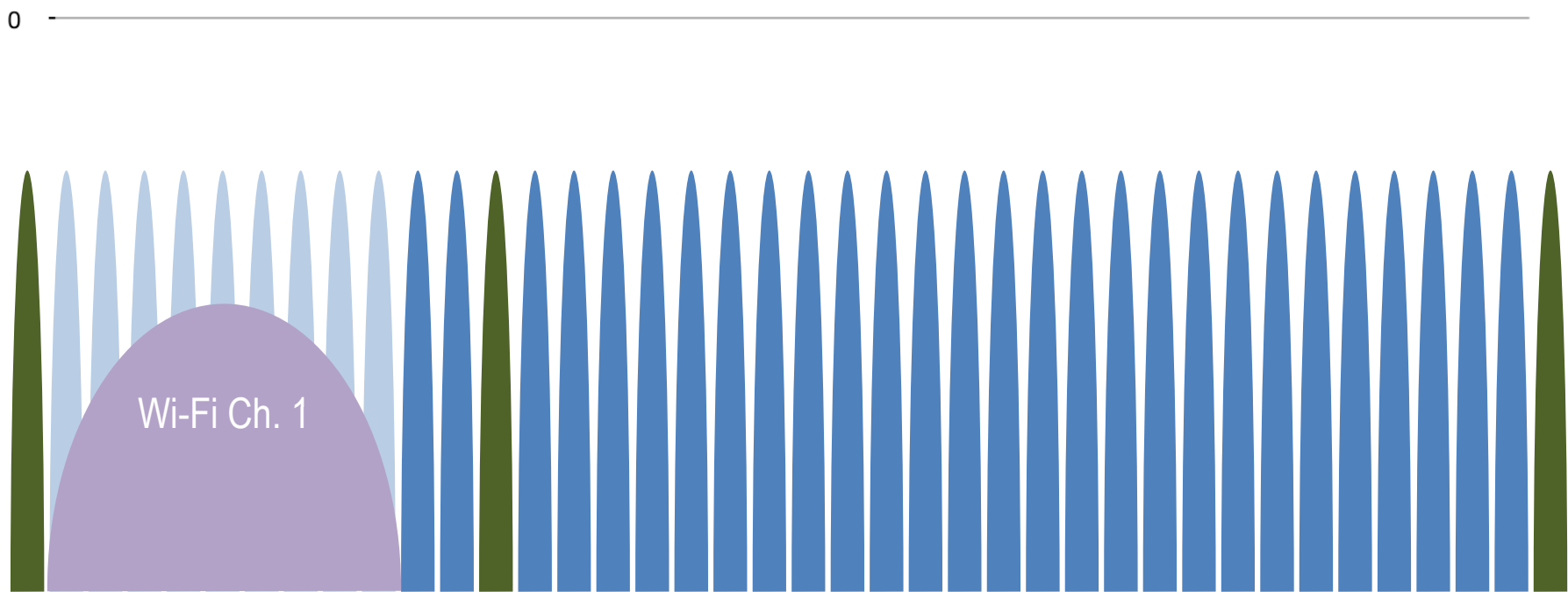
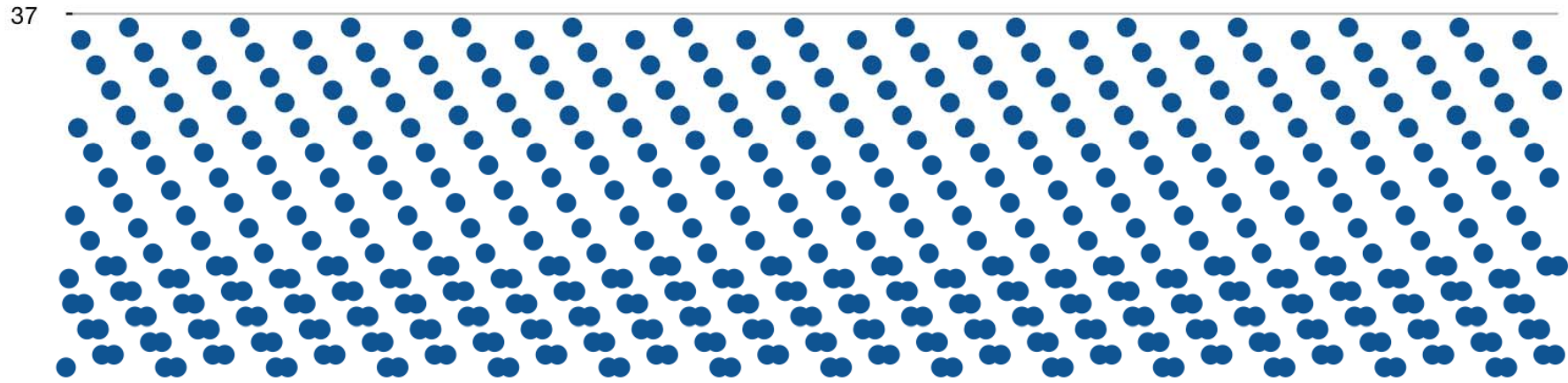
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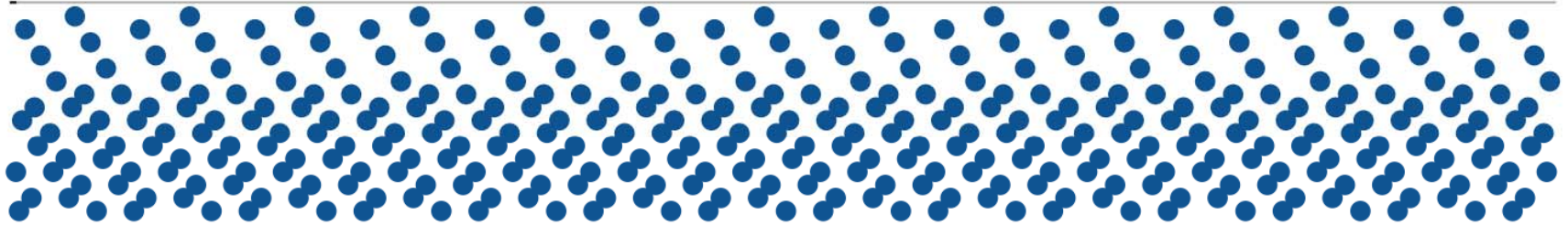
“used”;  $f_{n+1} = f_n + 7 \pmod{37} = 17 \pmod{37} \rightarrow 17$



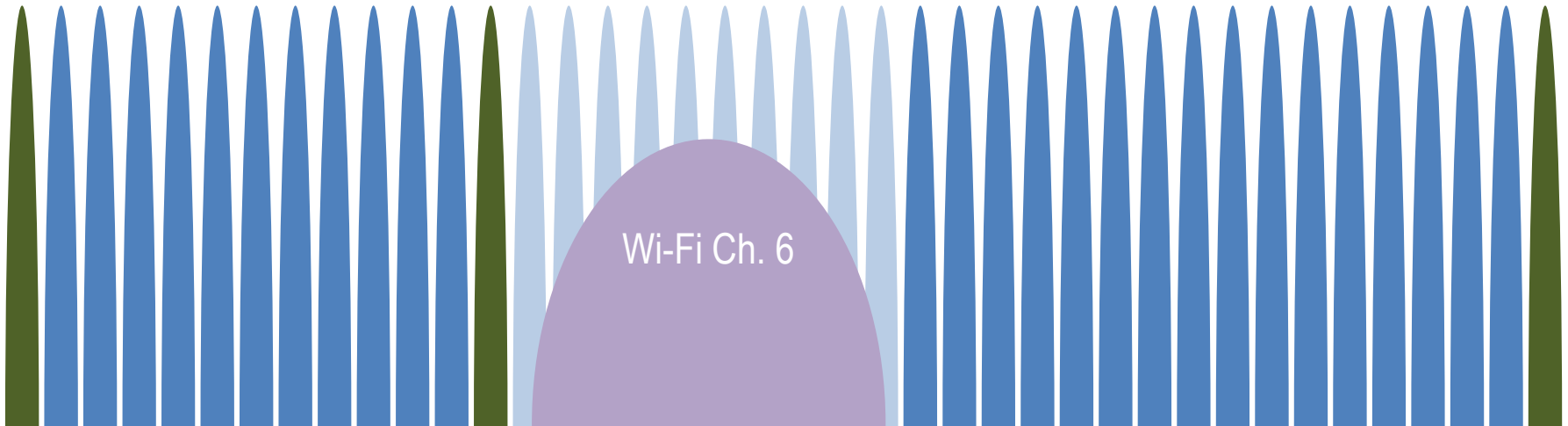
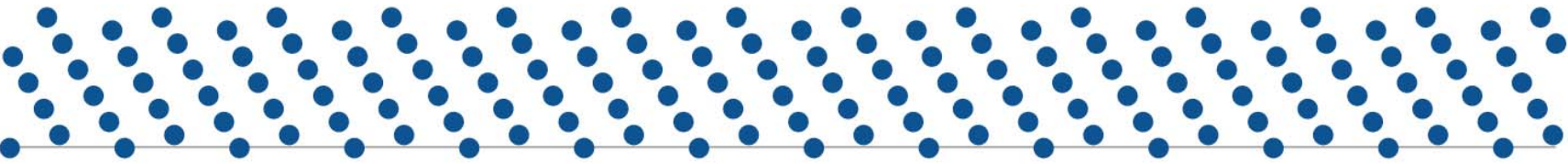




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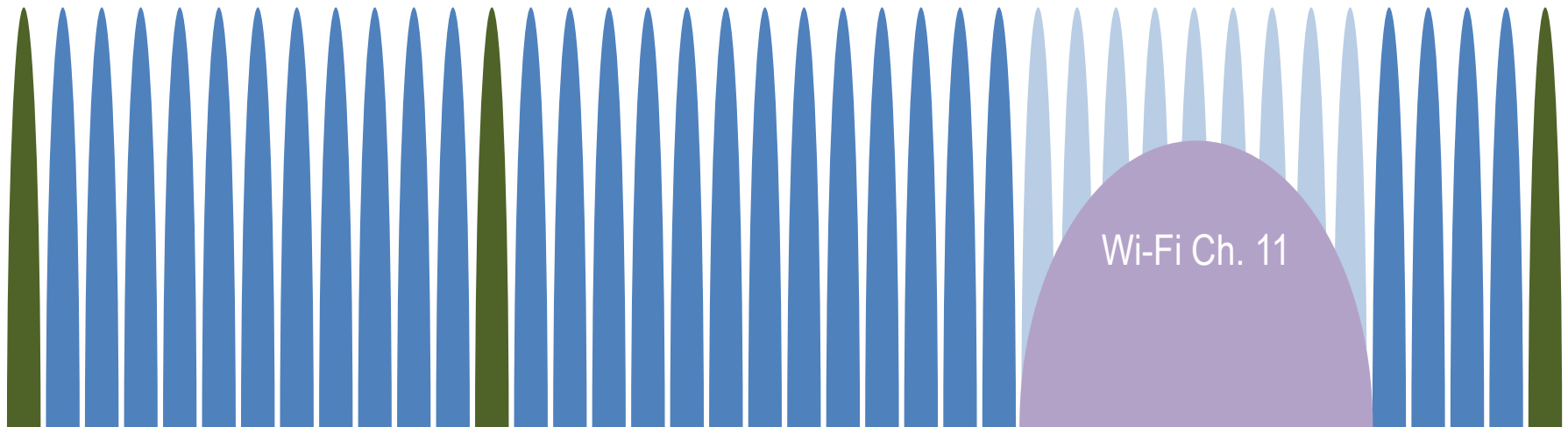
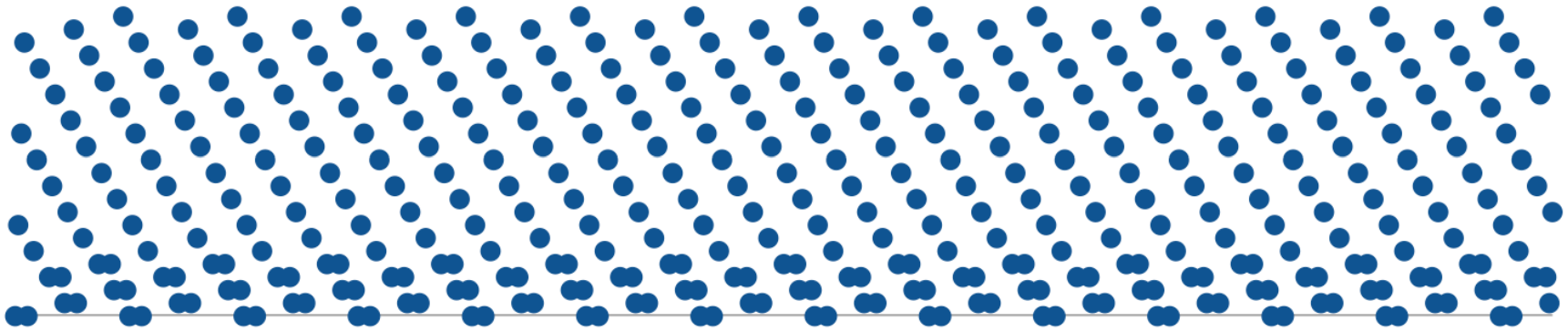
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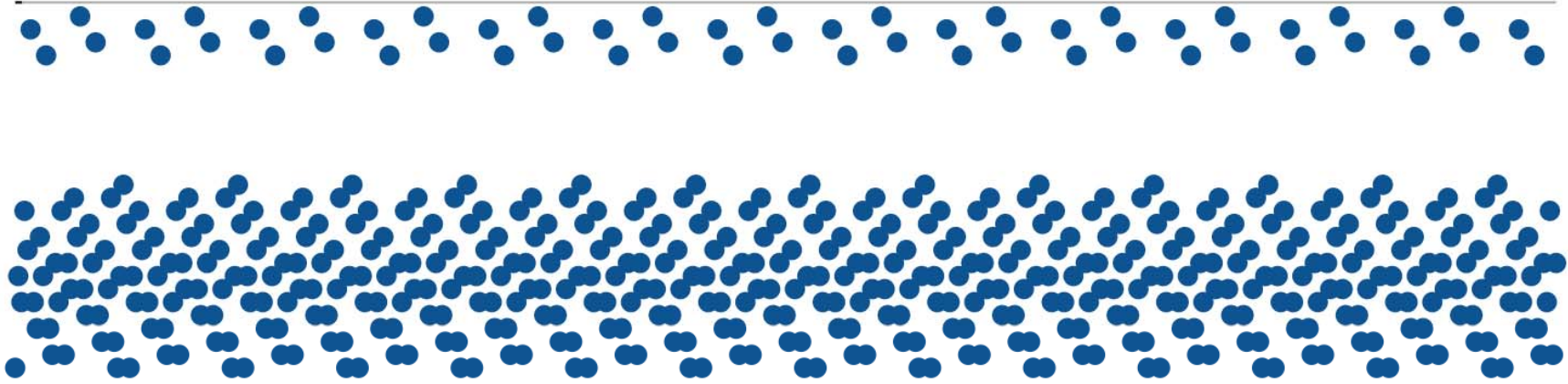
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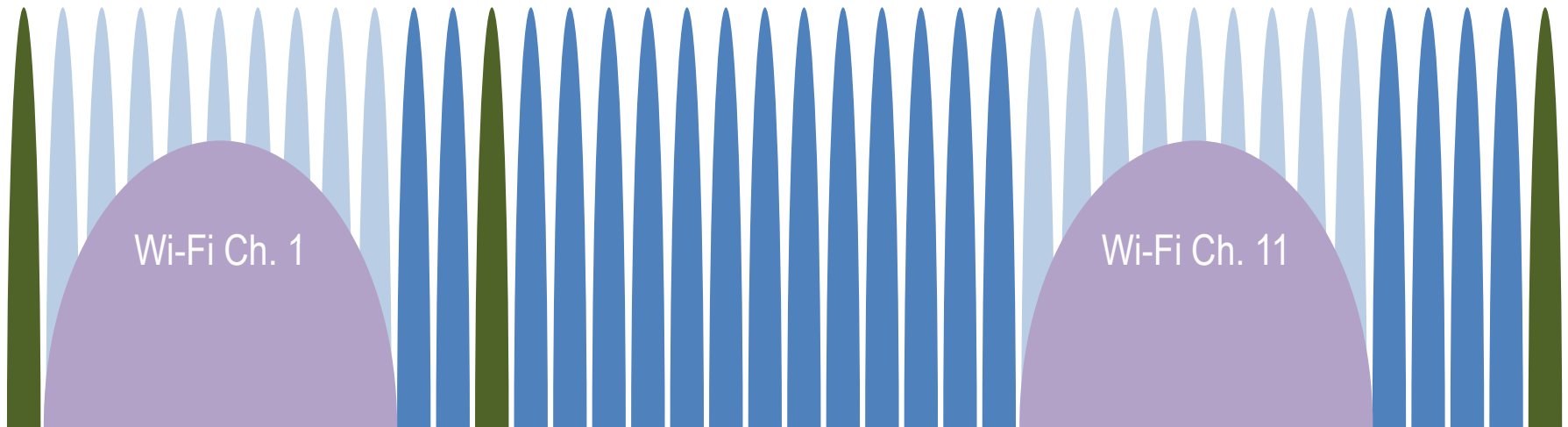
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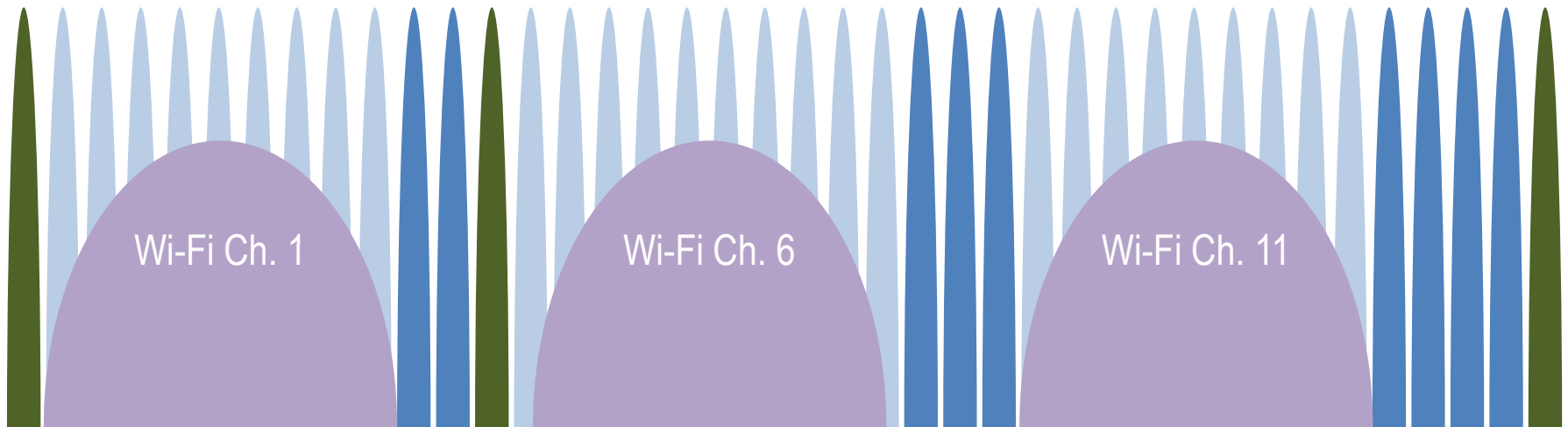
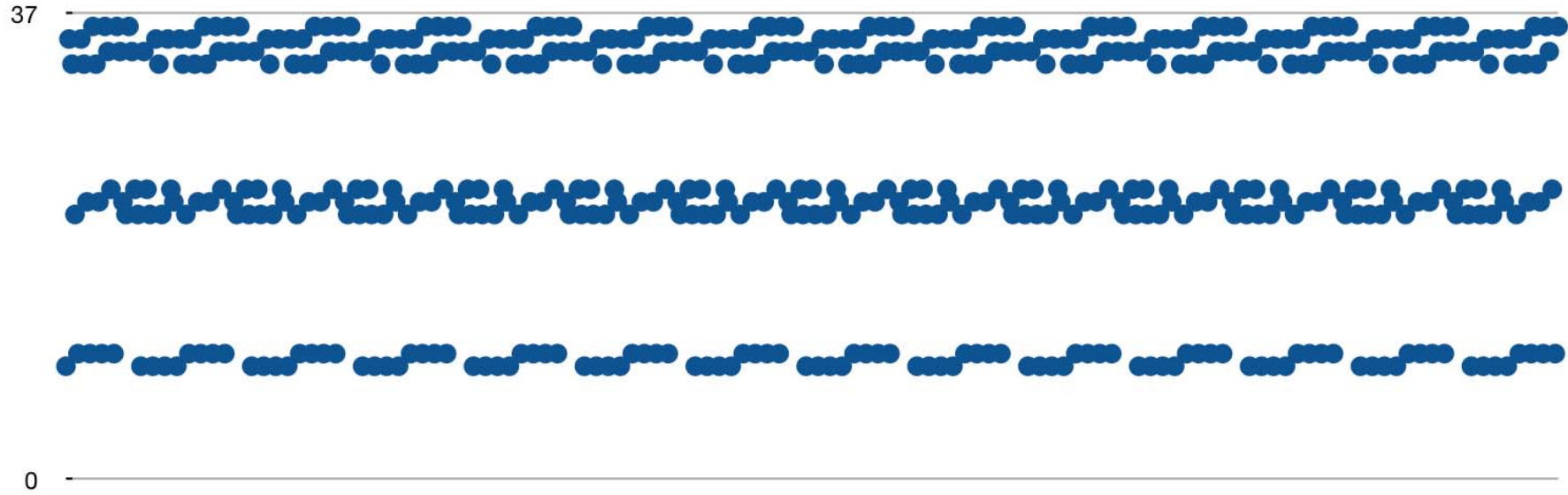
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# LINK LAYER CONTROL PROCEDURES

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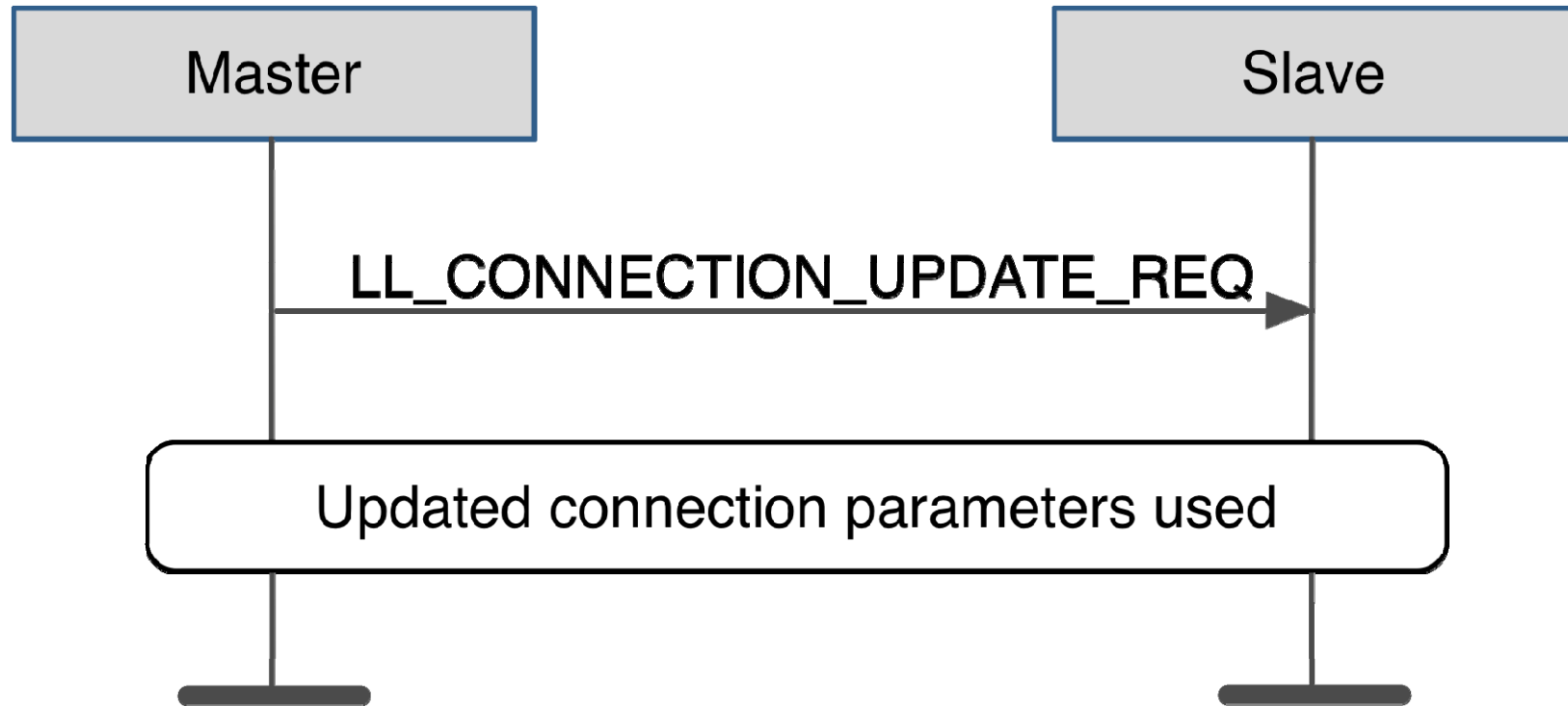
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except Version Exchange

# LINK LAYER CONTROL PROCEDURES

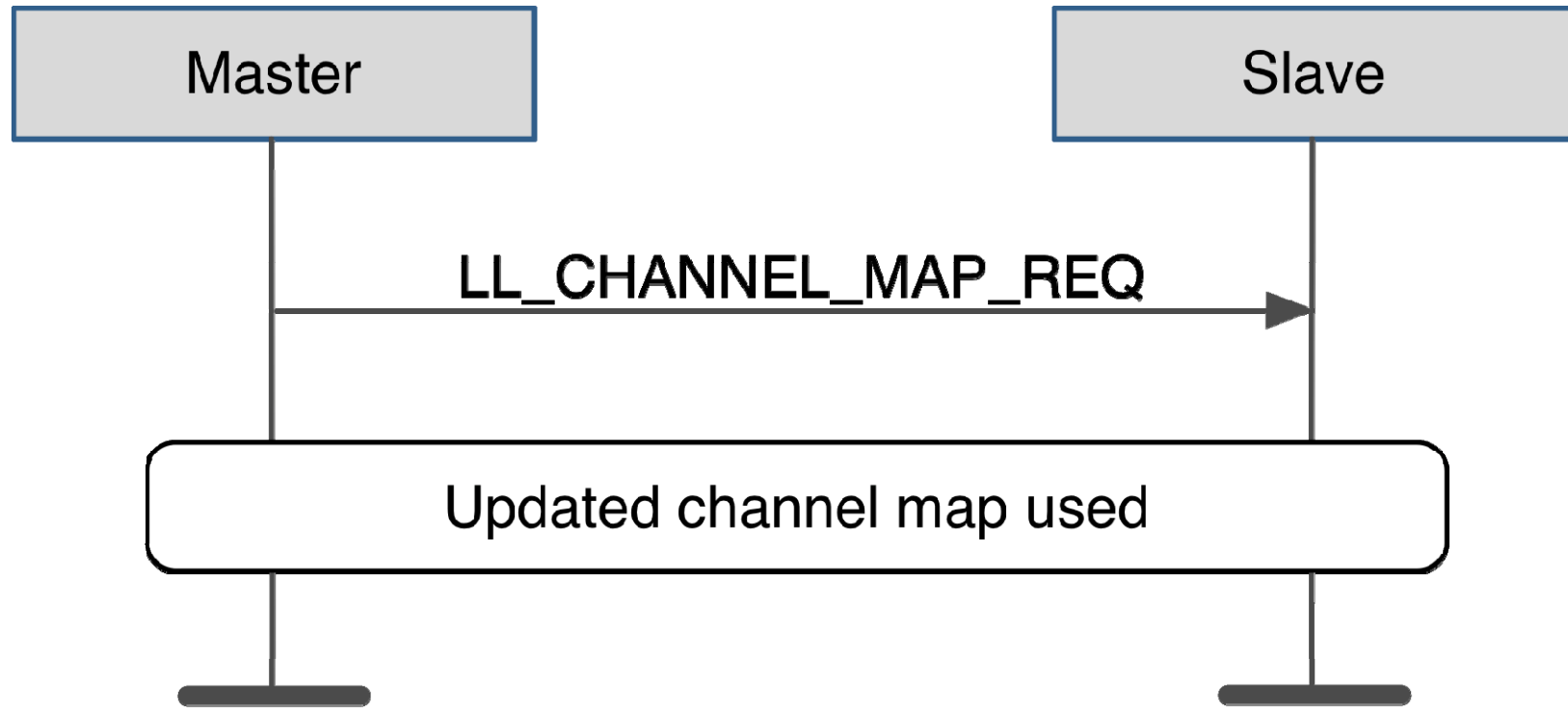
Name	Description
Connection Update Procedure	Update the connection intervals
Channel Map Update Procedure	Update the adaptive frequency hopping map
Encryption Start Procedure	Start encryption using a Long Term Key
Encryption Pause Procedure	Pause encryption, to change Long Term Key
Feature Exchange Procedure	Exchange the current supported feature set
Version Exchange Procedure	Exchange the current version information
Termination Procedure	Voluntary terminate the connection

Opcode	Control PDU Name	Description
0x00	LL_CONNECTION_UPDATE_REQ	Update Connection Intervals
0X01	LL_CHANNEL_MAP_REQ	Update Channel Maps
0X02	LL_TERMINATE_IND	Disconnect the connection
0X03	LL_ENC_REQ	Encryption Request
0X04	LL_ENC_REQ	Encryption Response
0x05	LL_START_ENC_REQ	3-way Handshake for Starting Encryption
0x06	LL_START_ENC_RSP	3-way Handshake for Starting Encryption
0x07	LL_UNKNOWN_RSP	Control PDU Unknown
0x08	LL_FEATURE_REQ	Master sends Features to Slave
0x09	LL_FEATURE_RSP	Slave sends Features to Master
0x0A	LL_PAUSE_ENC_REQ	Pause Encryption to Refresh Keys
0x0B	LL_PAUSE_ENC_RSP	Pause Encryption to Refresh Keys
0x0C	LL_VERSION_IND	Version Exchange
0x0D	LL_REJECT_IND	Reject Control PDU

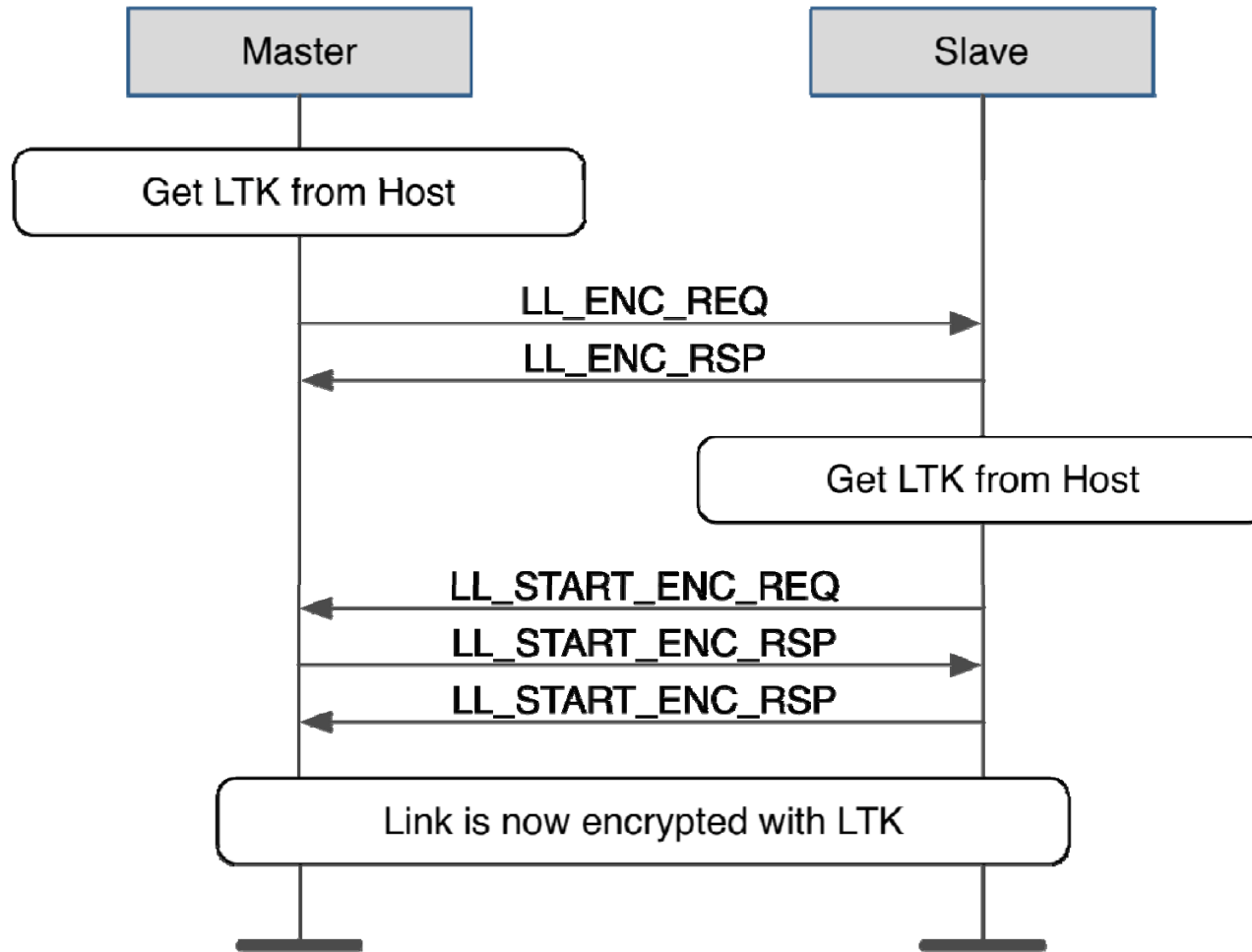
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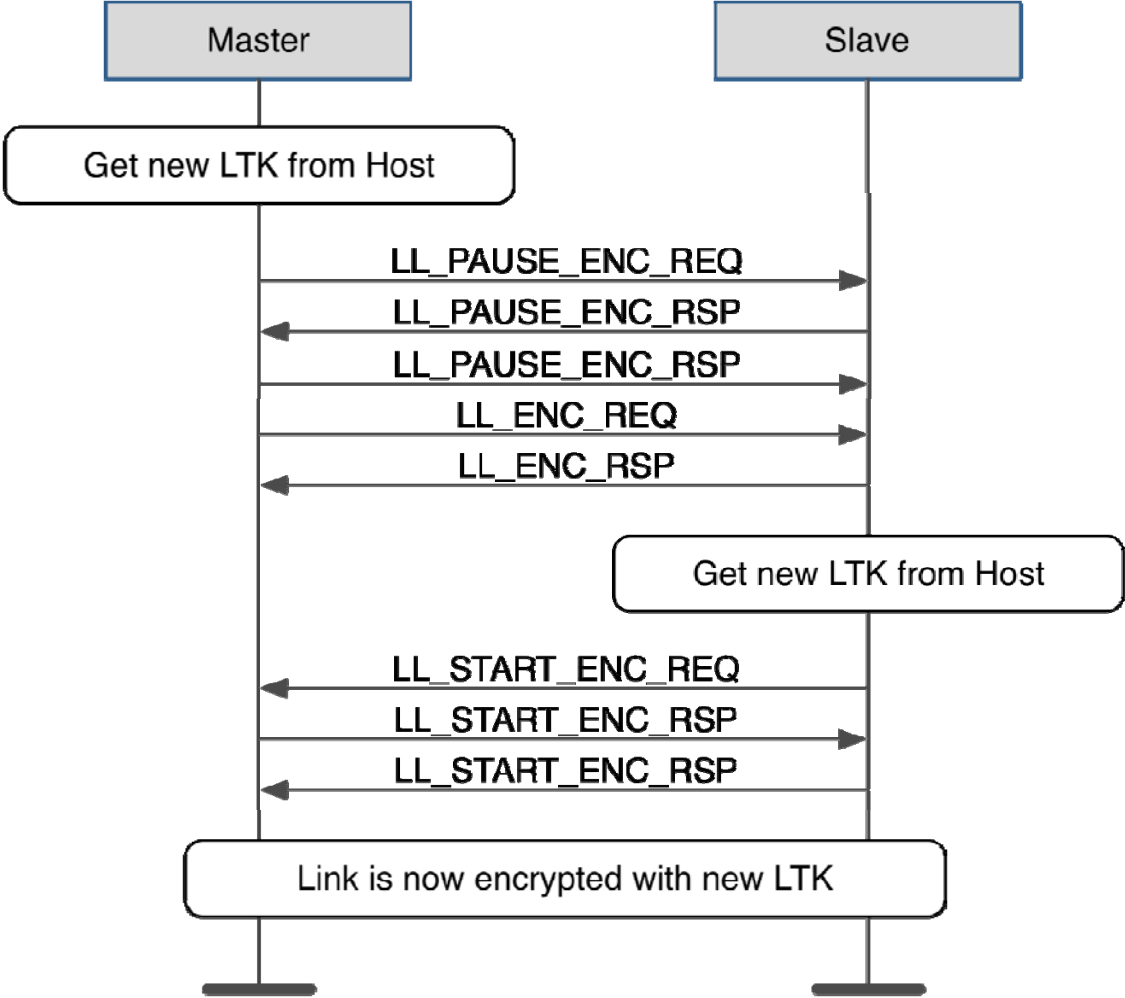
# CHANNEL MAP UPDATE



# START ENCRYPTION



# RESTART ENCRYPTION

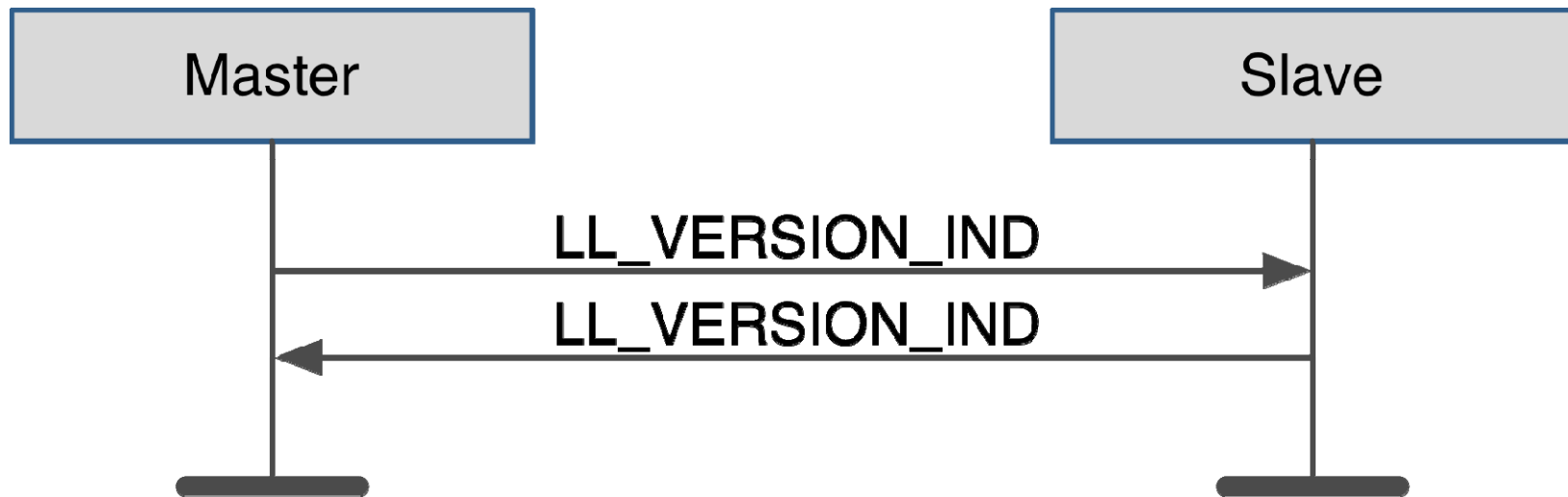




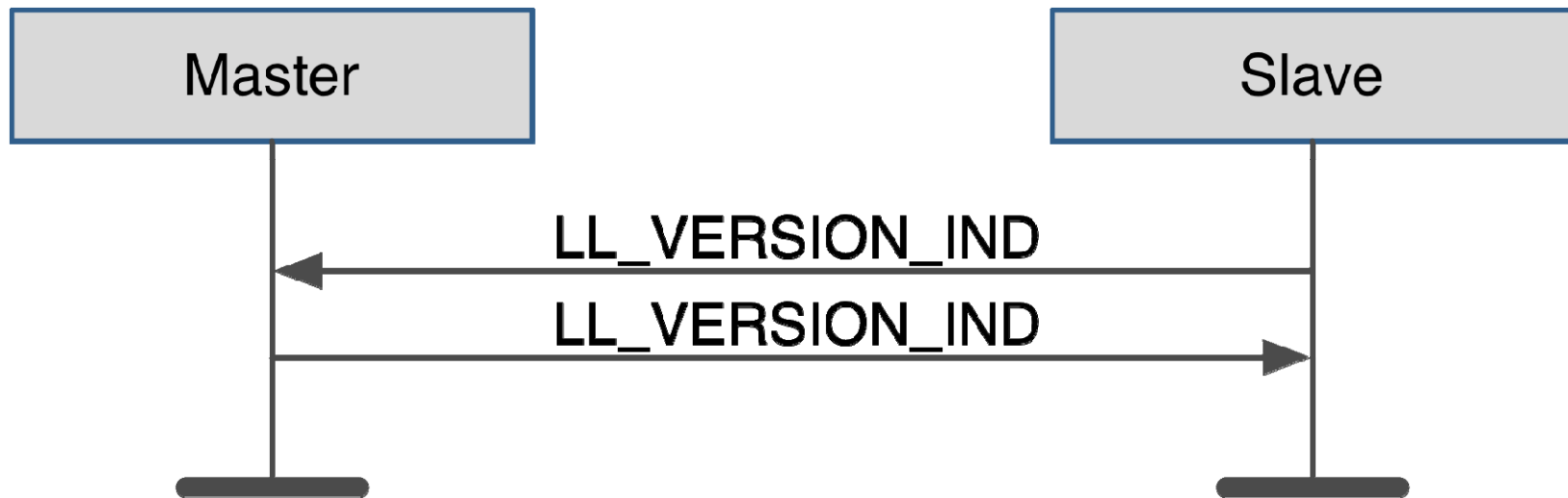
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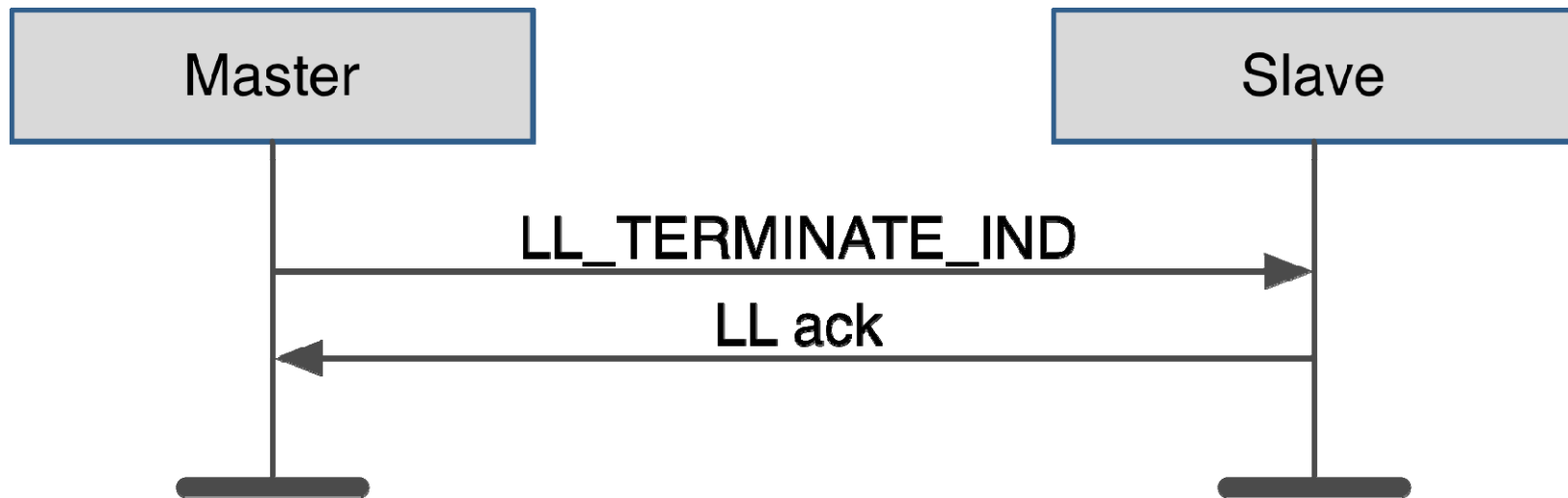
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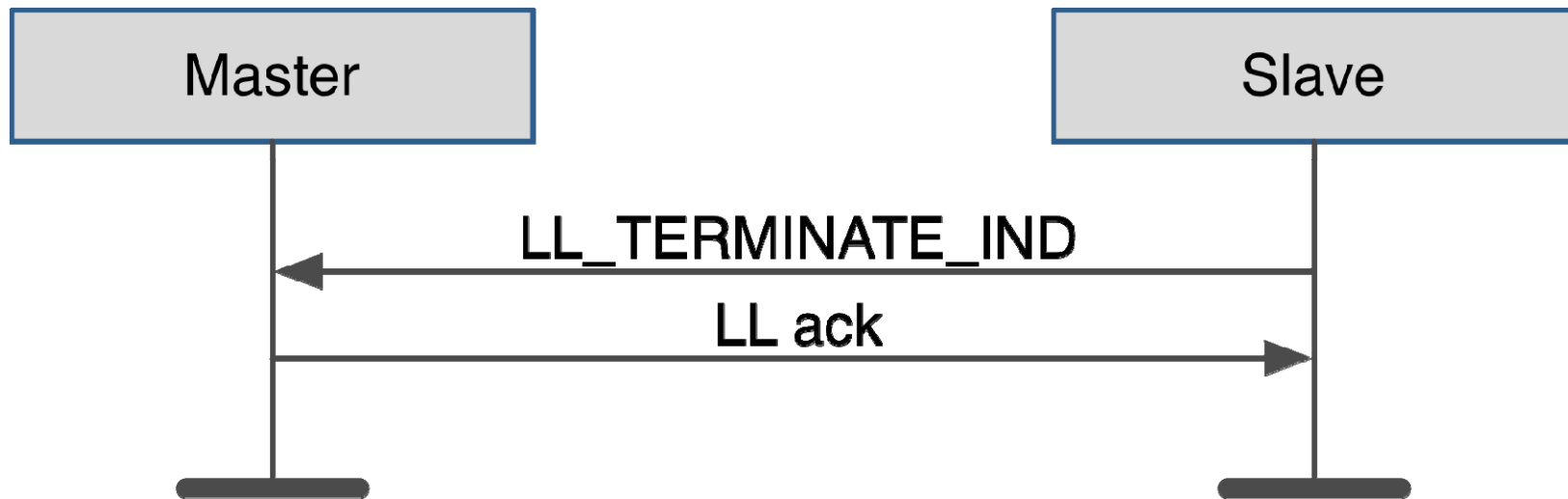
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# TERMINATE



# TERMINATE



## LINK LAYER ENCRYPTION

Uses AES 128 encryption block

Counter Mode Cipher Block Chaining Message Authentication  
Code

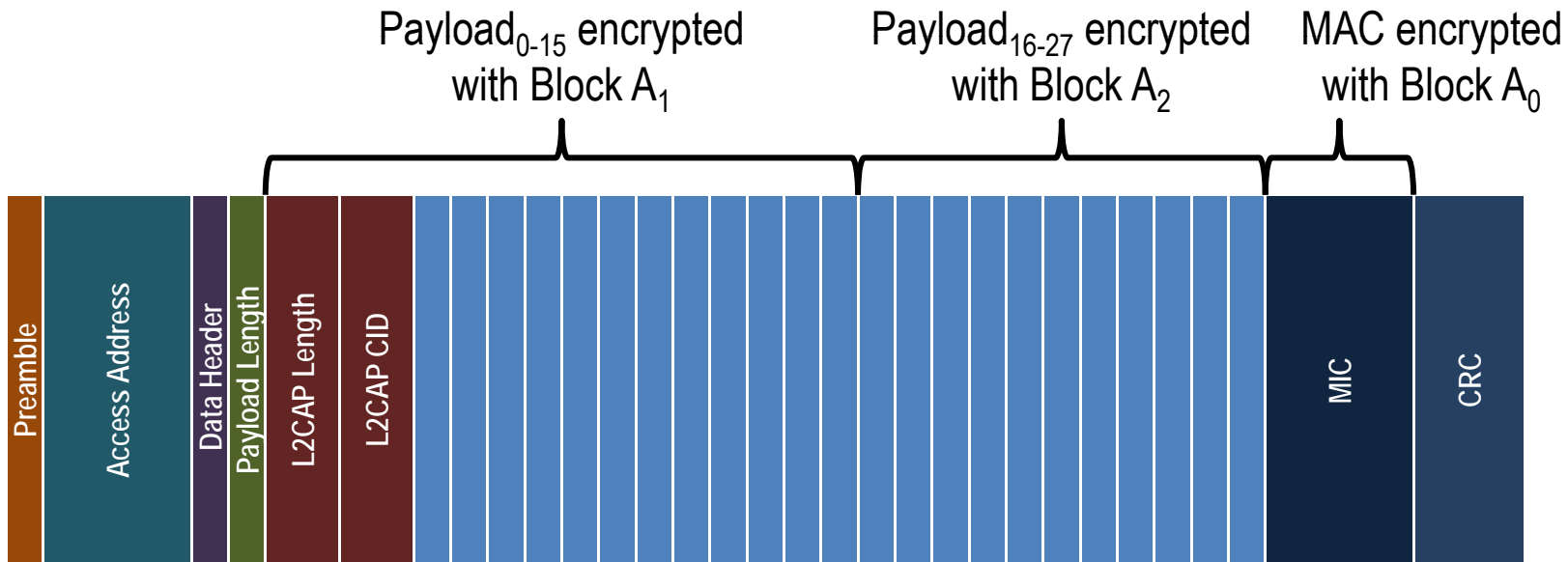
# LINK LAYER ENCRYPTION

Uses AES 128 encryption block

Counter Mode CBC MAC

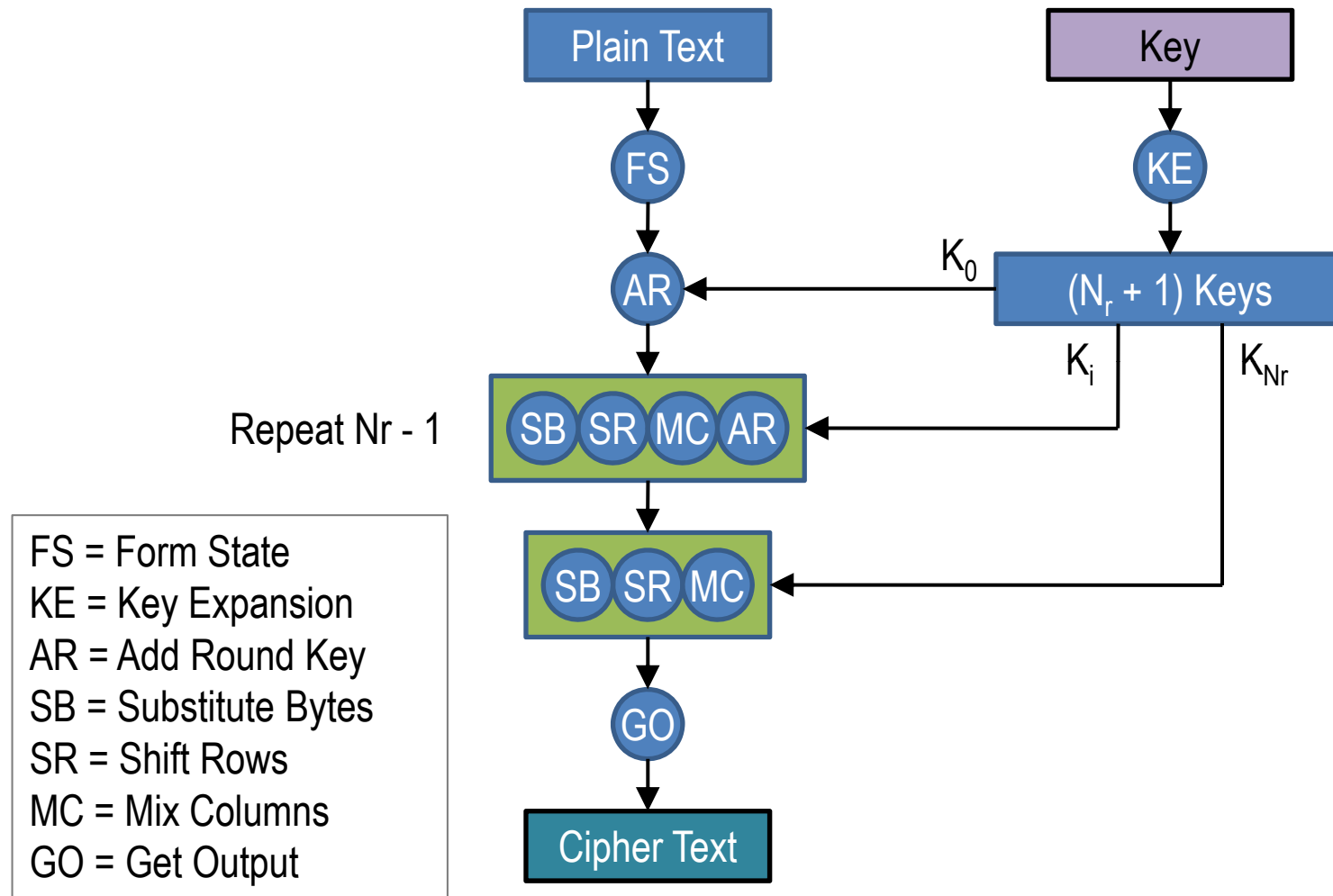
# LINK LAYER ENCRYPTION

Uses AES 128 encryption block  
and CCM as defined by RFC 3610

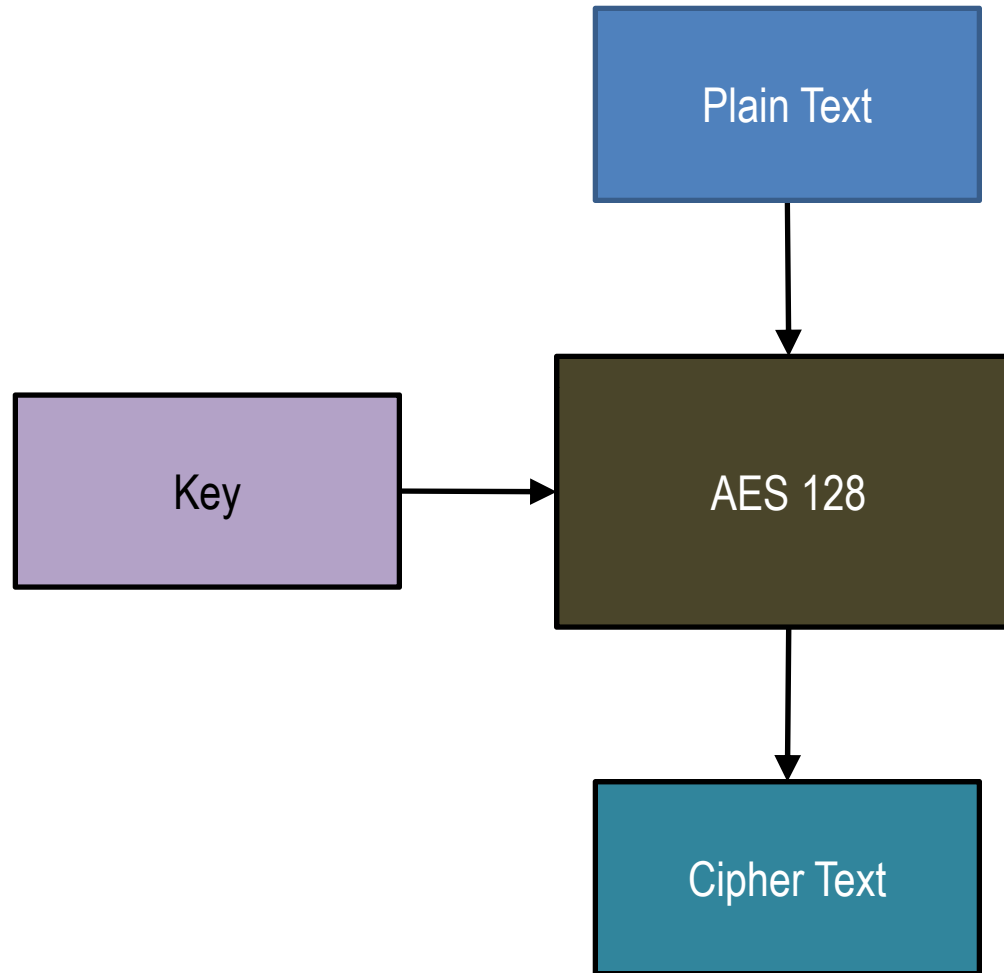




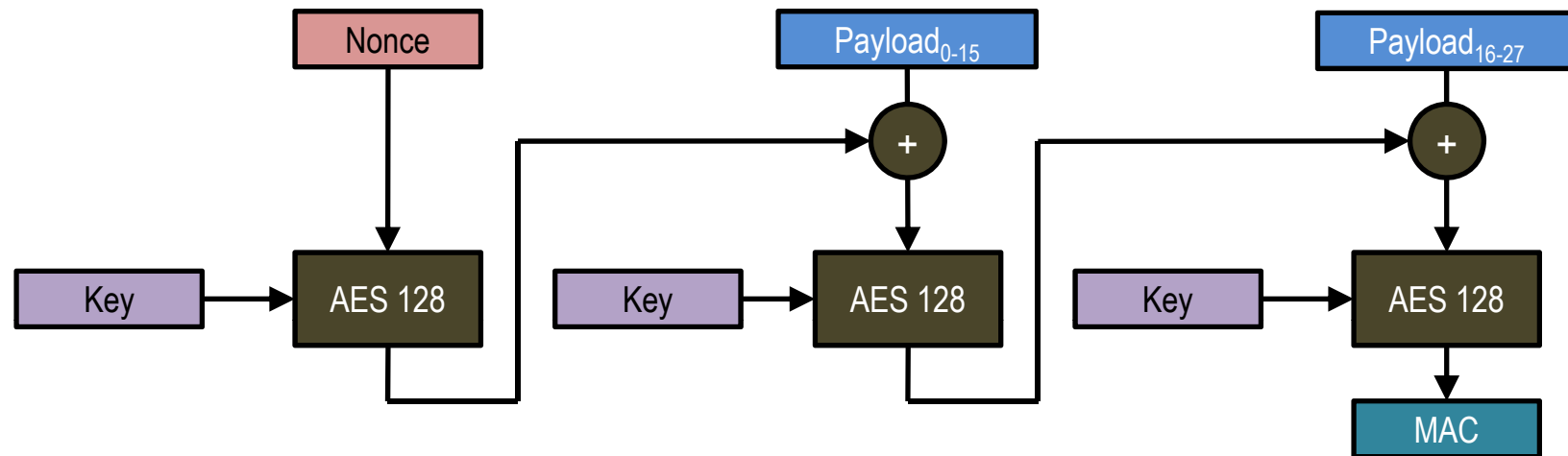
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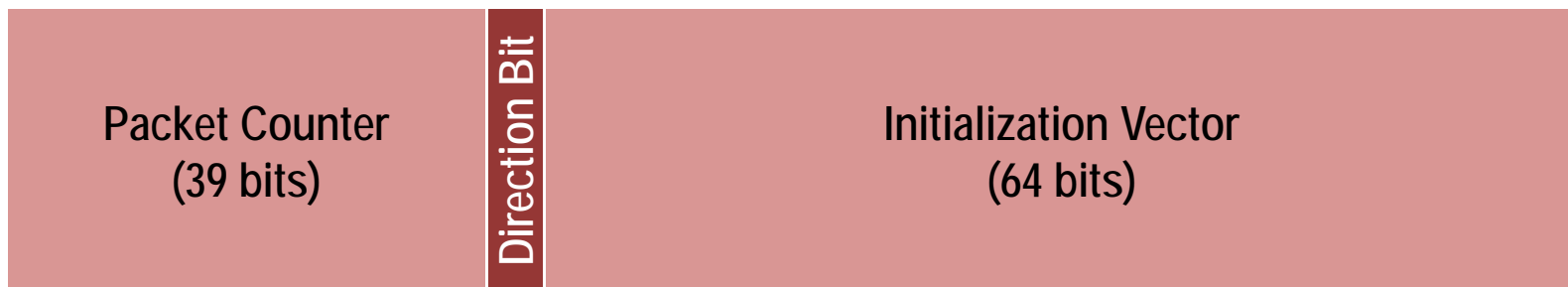
# AES BLOCK



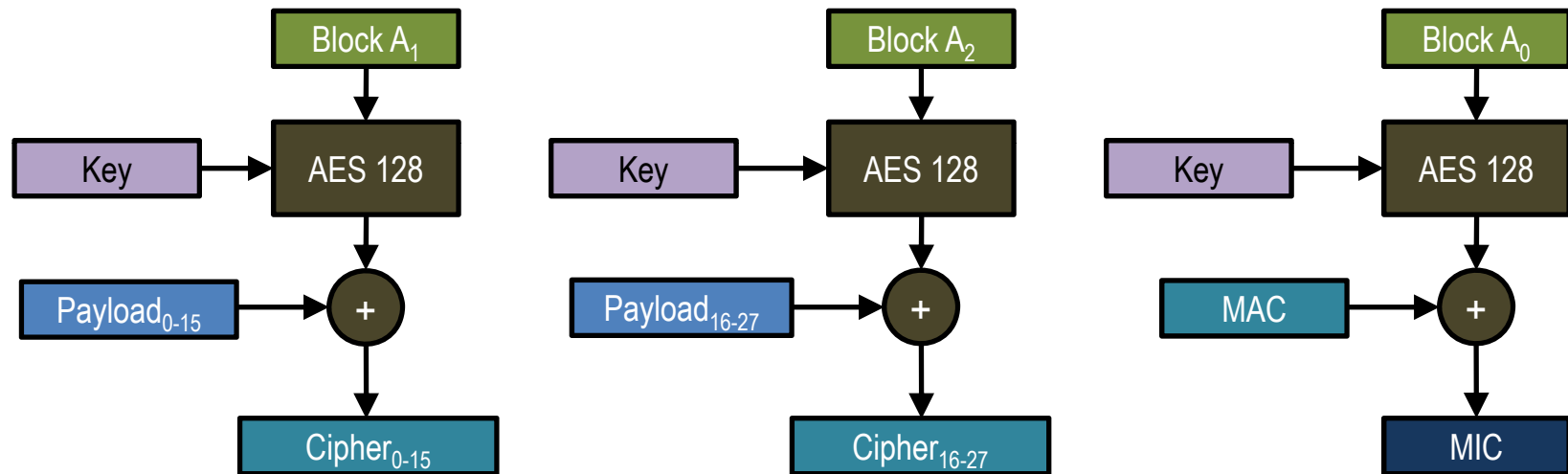
# CIPHER BLOCK CHAINING MESSAGE AUTHENTICATION CODE

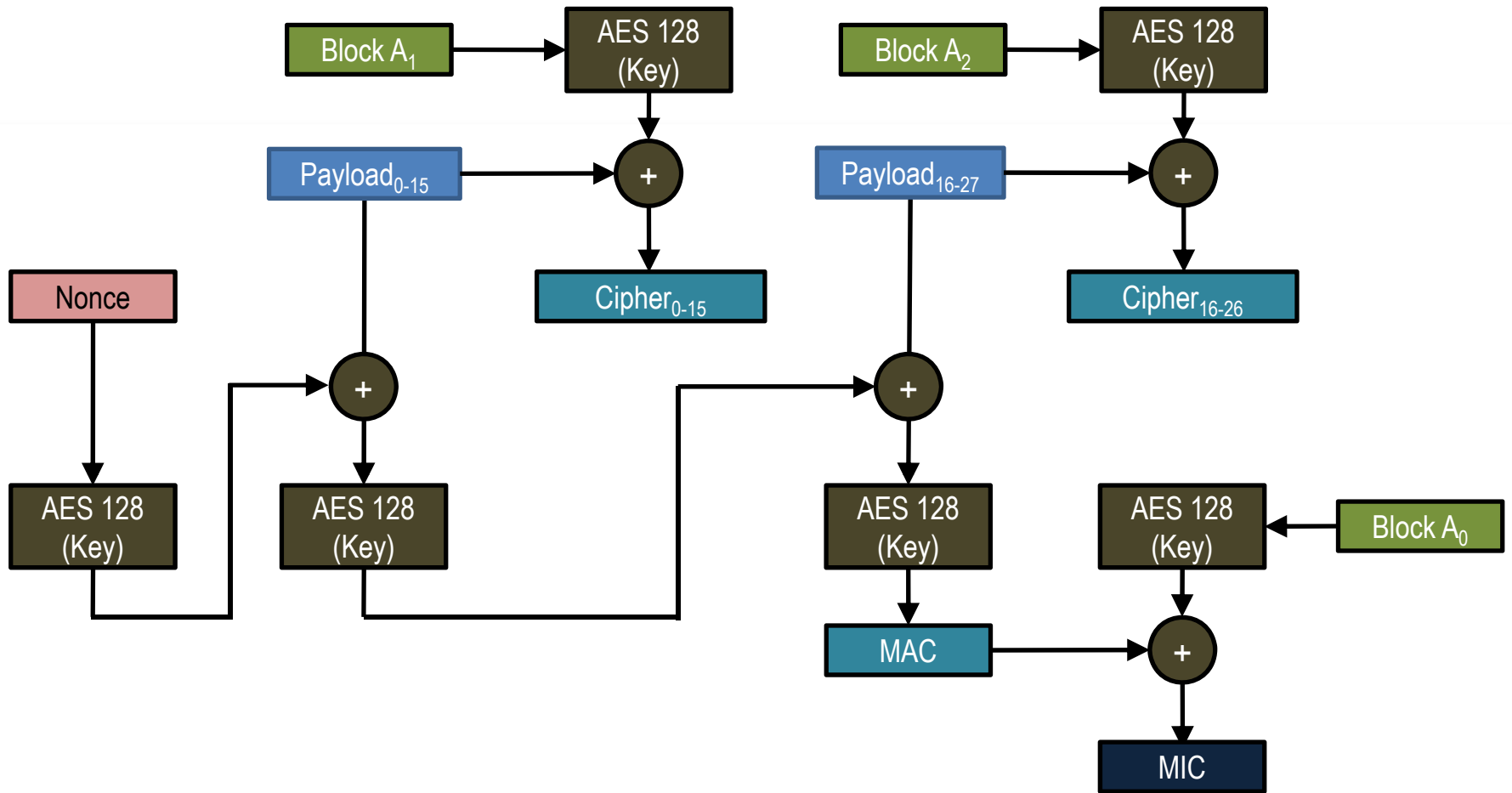


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# AES CCM ENCRYPTION





## LIMITS

Maximum  $2^{39}$  packets per LTK per direction

Each packet can contain up to 27 octets data

Max 13.5 Terabytes of data per connection

~12 years at maximum data rate

Then you have to change the encryption key  
using Restart Encryption Procedure

# LINK LAYER SUMMARY

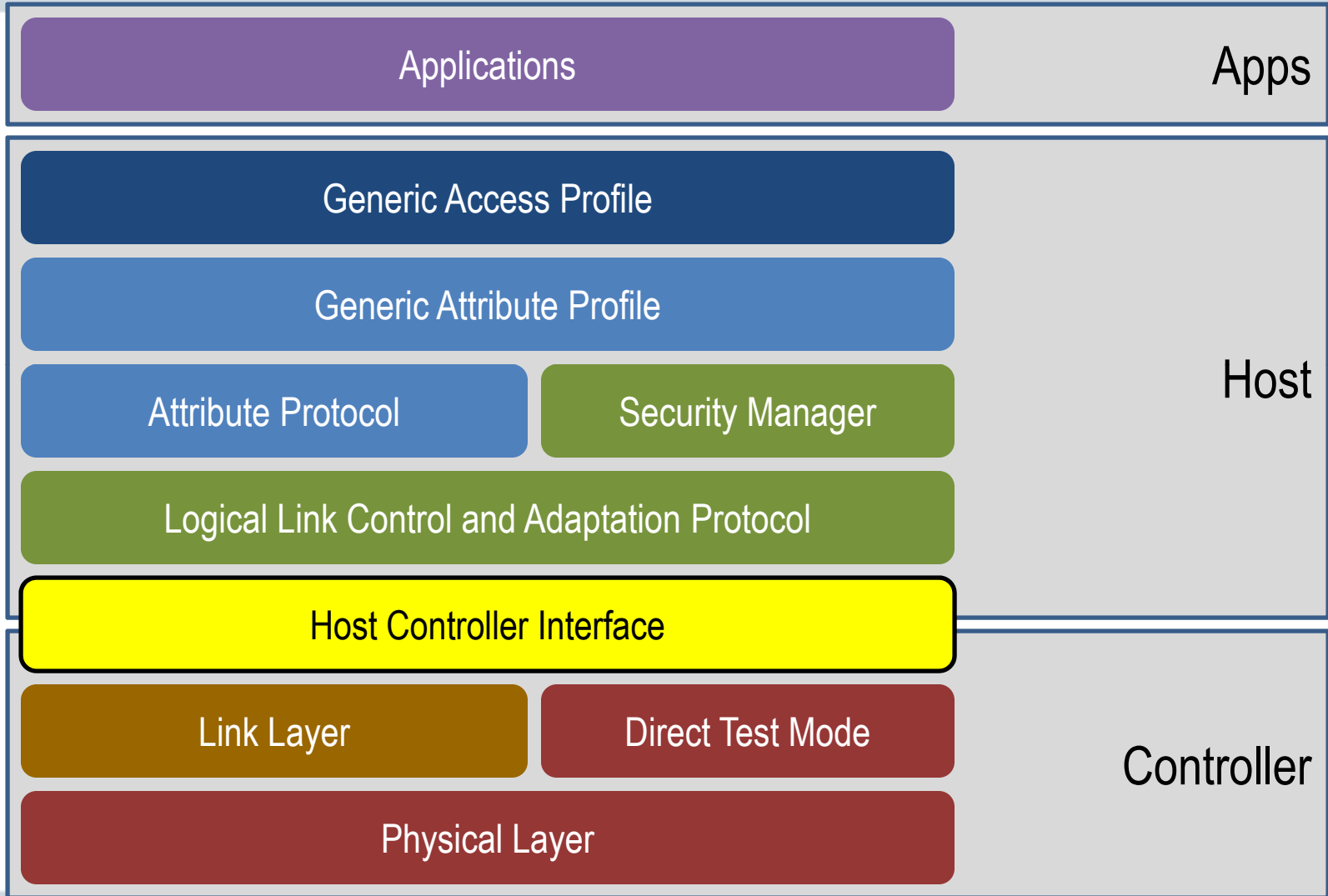
## Low Complexity

- 1 packet format
- 2 PDU types – depending on Advertising / Data Channel
- 7 Advertising PDU Types
- 7 Link Layer Control Procedures

## Useful Features

- Adaptive Frequency Hopping
- Low Power Acknowledgement
- Very Fast Connections

# HOST CONTROLLER INTERFACE





# HOST CONTROLLER INTERFACE (HCI)

## Transport Layer

UART

USB

SD

3-wire UART

## Functional Layer

Commands / Events / Data

# COMMANDS / EVENTS / COMMANDS

## Four HCI Packet Types

HCI Command Packet

HCI ACL Data Packet

HCI Synchronous Data Packet (not used in LE)

HCI Event Packet

Transports describe how to send these HCI Packet Types

## UART HCI TRANSPORT LAYER

Each packet type assigned a HCI packet indicator

Command = 0x01, Data = 0x02, Event = 0x04

Send HCI packet indicator, and then HCI packet

0x01	HCI Command Packet
0x02	HCI ACL Data Packet
0x04	HCI Event Packet

# UART HCI TRANSPORT LAYER

## RS232 Settings

Baud rate : manufacturer specific

Data bits : 8

Parity : none

Stop bits : 1

Flow Control : RTS / CTS

Flow-off response time : manufacturer specific

Configured as null-modem

## USB HCI TRANSPORT LAYER

Defines one endpoint for ACL Data Packets

Endpoint (out) 0x02 / (in) 0x82

suggested max packet size is 32 or 64

Uses Control Endpoint for Commands

Uses Interrupt Endpoint for Events

Endpoint (in) 0x81

1 ms interval

## SECURE DIGITAL HCI TRANSPORT LAYER

Uses SDIO to transport HCI packets

references SDIO Card Type-A Specification

Uses same codes as UART for SDIO Type-A service ID

0x01 = Command, 0x02 = Data, 0x04 = Event

## 3-WIRE UART HCI TRANSPORT LAYER

Places all HCI Packets on top of a SLIP layer

RFC 1055

Adds framing to detect bit errors on UART

allows use of long UART wires on product

ideal for use when lots of interference in UART cables

Can support automatic UART Baud rate detection scheme

has support for low power, software flow control

## HCI FUNCTIONAL LAYER

Reuses existing HCI commands / events / data packets  
except where LE is different

All LE specific HCI commands have LE in name

All LE specific HCI events have LE in name



# HCI BUFFERS

Dual mode controllers can either:

Expose one set of HCI buffers

Shared between BR/EDR and LE

OR

Expose two sets of HCI buffers

One set for BR/EDR and one set for LE

# RANDOM DEVICE ADDRESSES

## LE Rand

asks controller to generate a random number

very good random number using non-linear algorithms

## LE Encrypt

asks controller to encrypt some plain text with key

## LE Set Random Address

sets the random address used by controller

# WHITE LISTS

## LE Read Write List Size

gets the size of the controllers white list

## LE Clear White List

removes all devices from white list

## LE Add Device To White List

adds a single device to the white list

## LE Remove Device From White List

removes a single device from the white list

# ADVERTISING

## LE Set Advertising Parameters

sets timing, advertising event type, address to use, channel map, filter policy

## LE Read Advertising Channel Tx Power

allows filling in the Advertising Data for Tx Power

## LE Set Advertising Data - defines the data to be broadcast

## LE Set Scan Response Data - defines the data contained in scan responses

## LE Set Advertising Enable - turn on and off advertising

# SCANNING

## LE Set Scan Parameters

sets timing, filter policy, address type, scan type

## LE Set Scan Enable

turn on/off scanning

## LE Advertising Report

we found something interesting

# INITIATING

## LE Create Connection

set timing, filter policy, target address, address type, connect to white list, connection interval, supervision timeout, expected length of communication events

## LE Create Connection Cancel

stop trying to create a connection

## LE Connection Complete

a connection was created (or cancelled, or timed out)

# CONNECTION MANAGEMENT

## LE Connection Update

update connection event timing parameters

connection interval, slave latency, supervision timeout,  
expected length of communication events

## LE Connection Update Complete

connect update has succeeded

# AFH CHANNEL MAP MANAGEMENT

## LE Set Host Channel Classification

which LE data channels are “good / bad”

controller still determines if channels are “used / unused”

## LE Read Channel Map

read the current LE channel map for a connection



## INFORMATIONAL EXCHANGES

### LE Read Local Supported Features

reads what LE features a controller supports

### LE Read Remote Used Features

requests what a remote device supports

### LE Read Remote Used Features Complete

report on what the remote device supports

## STARTING ENCRYPTION

### LE Start Encryption

request that encryption is started on a connection  
requires random numbers & LTK

### LE Long Term Key Request

Controller needs an LTK from Host to start encryption

### LE Long Term Key Request Reply

Host gives LTK to Controller for encryption

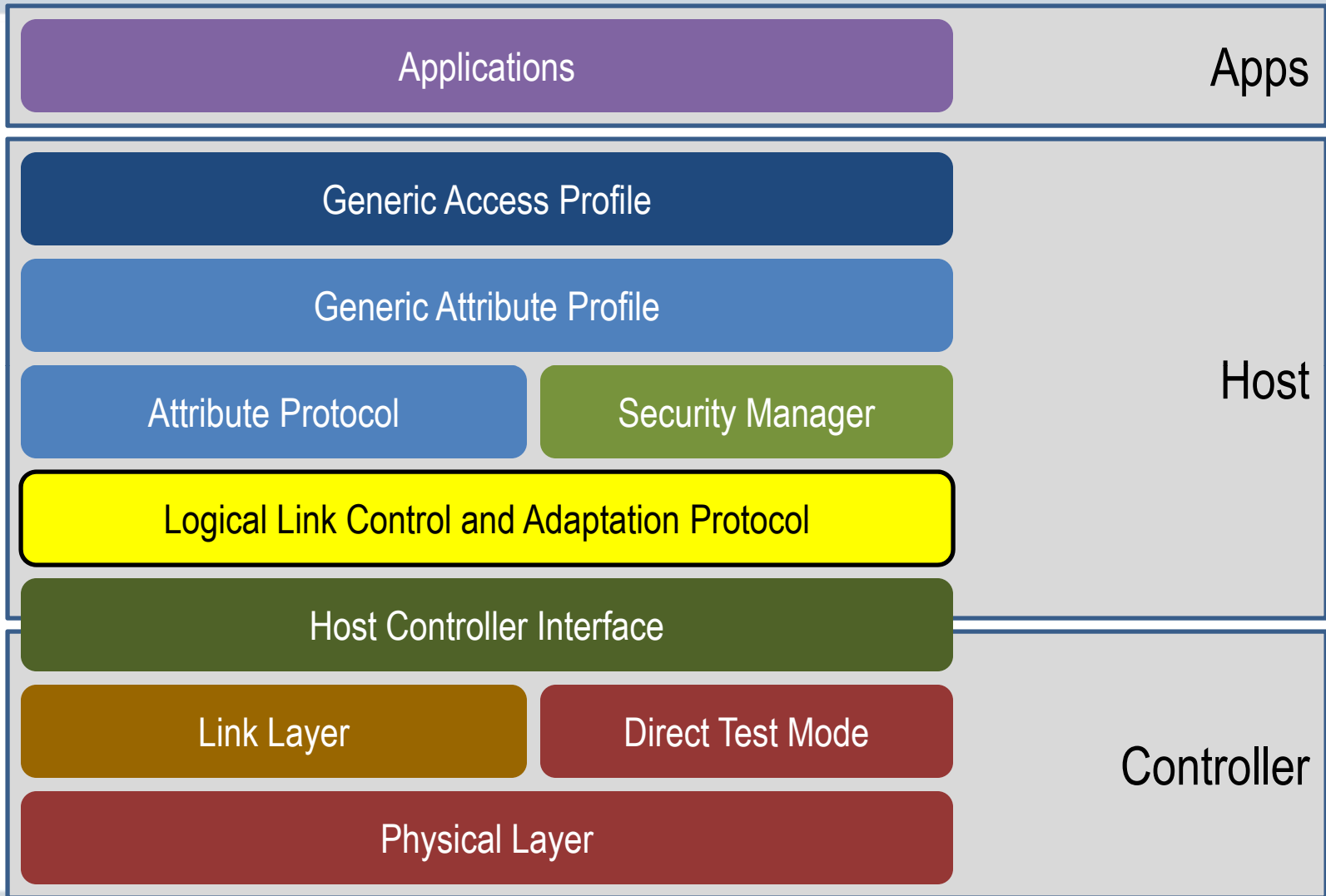
# LUNCH

*return at 13:30*

CONFERENCE  
TODAY

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# L2CAP



# L2CAP

## Logical Link Control and Adaptation Protocol

protocol multiplexer

segmentation and reassembly

Provides logical channels

multiplexed over one or more logical links

## L2CAP PACKETS

All application data is sent using L2CAP packets

Length is the length of the L2CAP Information Payload

CID is the destination logical channel

CIDs can be either

fixed channels

connection oriented channels (not used in LE)



## FIXED L2CAP CHANNELS

CIDs from 0x0001 to 0x003F are fixed channels  
0x0040 to 0xFFFF are dynamically allocated

CID	Description	Notes
0x0000	Null identifier	Not used (ever)
0x0001	L2CAP Signaling Channel	Used over BR/EDR
0x0002	Connectionless Channel	Used over BR/EDR
0x0003	AMP Manager Protocol	Used over BR/EDR
0x0004	Attribute Protocol	Used over LE only
0x0005	LE L2CAP Signaling Channel	Used over LE only
0x0006	Security Manager Protocol	Used over LE only

# LE L2CAP SIGNALING PROTOCOL

Identical to L2CAP Signaling Protocol

except only one command per packet

supported commands limited

- Command reject

- Connection Parameter Update request

- Connection Parameter Update response



## L2CAP SUMMARY

Three fixed channels for LE

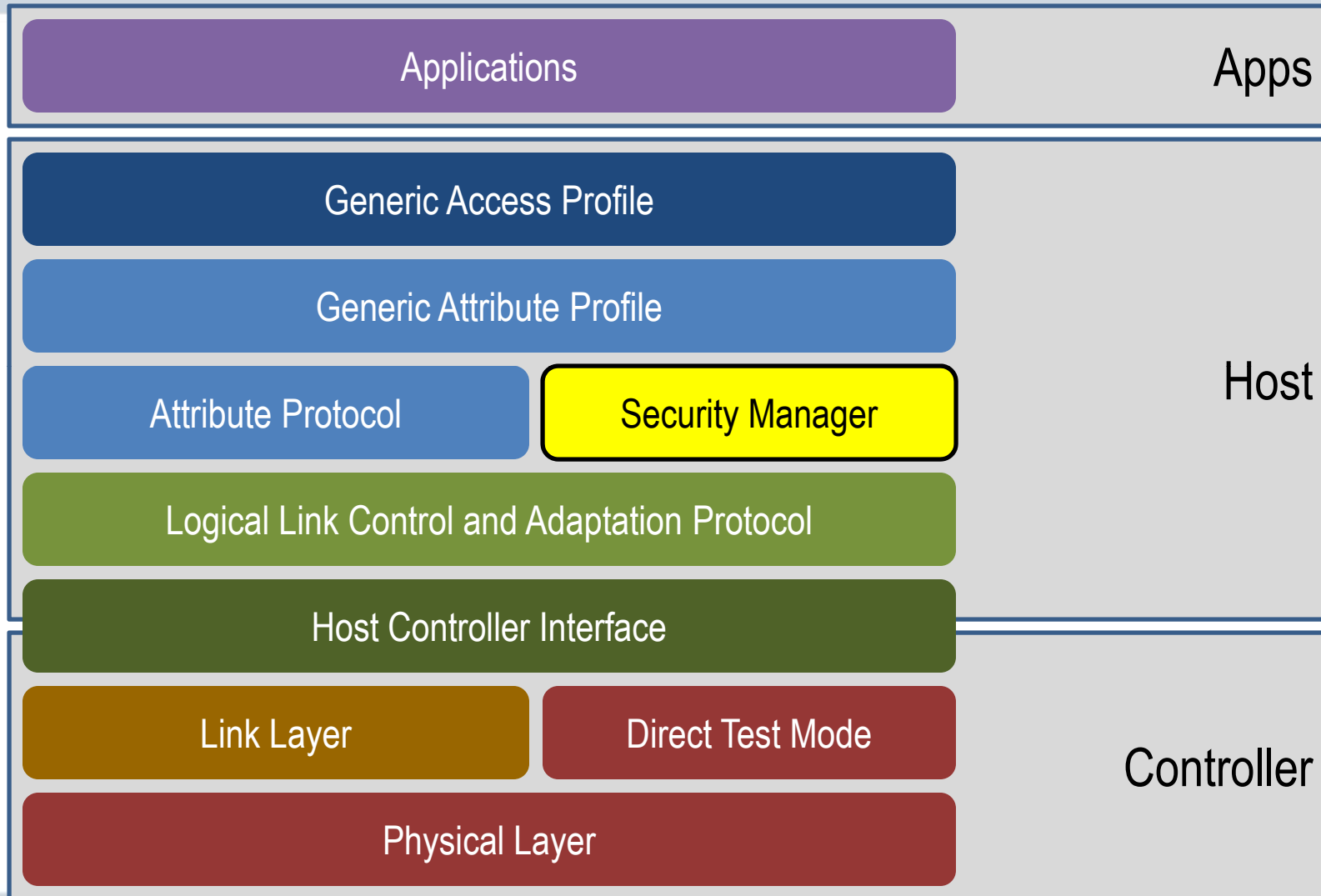
Attribute Protocol

LE L2CAP Signaling Protocol

Security Manager Protocol

Retains existing L2CAP packet structure

# SECURITY MANAGER



# SECURITY MANAGER (SM)

## Security Manager Protocol

### Pairing & Key Distribution

I trust this device, and here is a key to prove it

### Security Toolbox

- generating hashes

- confirmation values

- generate short term keys during pairing

# SECURITY MANAGER PROTOCOL

Uses L2CAP fixed channel 0x0006

MTU = 23 octets

Best Effort, Basic Mode, Infinite Flush Timeout

Code

Data

# BASIC CONCEPTS

Use distributing key model

- Slave generates and distributes key information to master

- Master can use this key information when reconnecting

Pairing

- authentication based on their capabilities / security requirements

- side effect is encrypted link / key distribution

Signing Data

- Signing allows authentication of sender without encryption

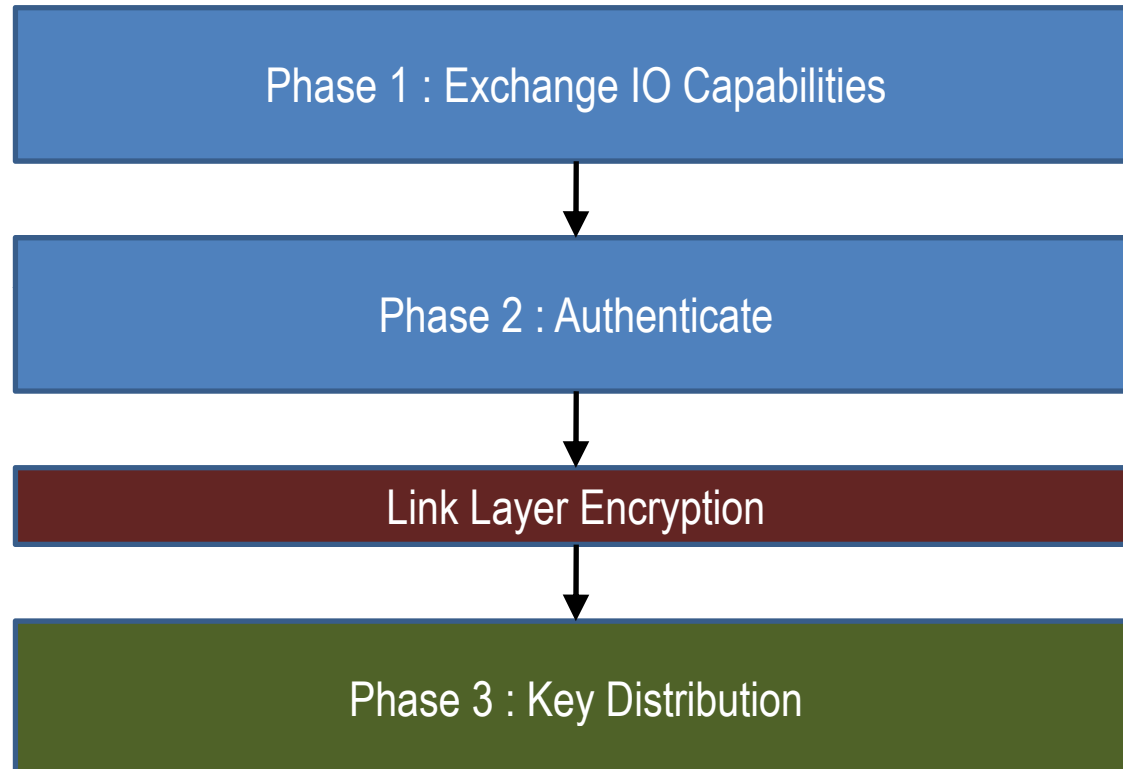
Bonding

- GAP concept – device save keys for bonded devices

# SM PROTOCOL CODES

Code	Name	Description
0x01	Pairing Request	starts the pairing procedure
0x02	Pairing Response	completes pairing exchange
0x03	Pairing Confirm	sends confirm value used in pairing
0x04	Pairing Random	sends random value used in pairing
0x05	Pairing Failed	oh no, its failed – including reason
0x06	Encryption Information	distributed Long Term Key
0x07	Master Identification	information used when reconnecting to a master
0x08	Identity Information	distributed Identity Resolving Key
0x09	Identify Address Information	address information used for reconnecting
0x0A	Signing Information	distributed Signature Key
0x0B	Security Request	slave wants security – master always initiates

# PAIRING MODEL



# IO CAPABILITIES

	No Input	Yes / No	Keyboard
No Output	No Input No Output	No Input No Output	Keyboard Only
Numeric Output	Display Only	Display Yes No	Keyboard Display



# IO CAPABILITIES TO ALGORITHM

	Display Only	Display Yes No	Keyboard Only	No Input No Output	Keyboard Display
Display Only	Just Works Unauthenticated	Just Works Unauthenticated	Passkey Entry Authenticated	Just Works Unauthenticated	Passkey Entry Authenticated
Display Yes No	Just Works Unauthenticated	Just Works Unauthenticated	Passkey Entry Authenticated	Just Works Unauthenticated	Passkey Entry Authenticated
Keyboard Only	Passkey Entry Authenticated	Passkey Entry Authenticated	Passkey Entry Authenticated	Just Works Unauthenticated	Passkey Entry Authenticated
No Input No Output	Just Works Unauthenticated	Just Works Unauthenticated	Just Works Unauthenticated	Just Works Unauthenticated	Just Works Unauthenticated
Keyboard Display	Passkey Entry Authenticated	Passkey Entry Authenticated	Passkey Entry Authenticated	Just Works Unauthenticated	Passkey Entry Authenticated

## OTHER PAIRING REQUIREMENTS

### OOB Data

has any authentication data been exchanged over OOB

### Authentication Requirements

No Bonding / Bonding

Man In The Middle protection required

### Key Distribution

which keys does this device want from peer

# ALGORITHMS

Just Works

TK = 0

Passkey Entry

TK = passkey (6 digit number, 000000 to 999999)

Out Of Band

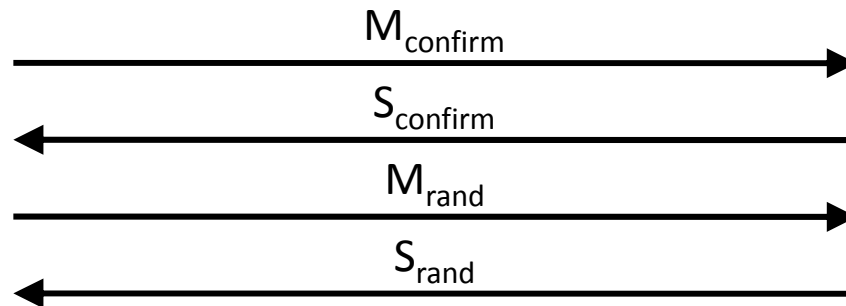
TK = from out of band

# AUTHENTICATION

$$M_{\text{confirm}} = f_{c1} (\text{TK}, M_{\text{rand}}, \text{Slave}_{\text{ADDR}})$$

$$S_{\text{confirm}} = f_{c1} (\text{TK}, S_{\text{rand}}, \text{Master}_{\text{ADDR}})$$

$$f_{c1} = \text{AES}_{\text{TK}} (\text{padding} \parallel \text{ADDR} \parallel \text{random})$$



## SHORT TERM KEY

Need to generate a Short Term Key  
after authentication

$$\text{STK} = f_{s1} (\text{TK}, S_{\text{rand}}, M_{\text{rand}})$$

$$f_{s1} = \text{AES}_{\text{TK}} (S_{\text{rand}} \parallel M_{\text{rand}})$$

# KEY DISTRIBUTION

Many keys can be distributed in both directions

Long Term Key

Identity Resolving Key

Signature Resolving Key

Encrypted Diversifier / Random Number

## LONG TERM KEY

128 bit random number given by slave to master

If a device can be both master and slave  
then a master can also give key to slave

Can be “derived” from EDIV / Rand

$$\text{LTK} = f(\text{EDIV}, \text{Rand})$$

e.g. NIST Special Publication 800-108 could be used

# IDENTITY RESOLVING KEY

Two types of address

Public Address

Random Address

GAP defines sub-categories of Random Address

Static Address

Non-Resolvable Private Address

Resolvable Private Address ← derived from IRK



# RESOLVABLE PRIVATE ADDRESSES

Resolvable addresses need to use a known secret

Identify Resolving Key (IRK)

$$\text{hash} = \text{AES}_{\text{IRK}}(\text{random})$$



When receive an address, can search all known IRKs with random, and check if hash matches

## SIGNED DATA

Allows authentication without encryption

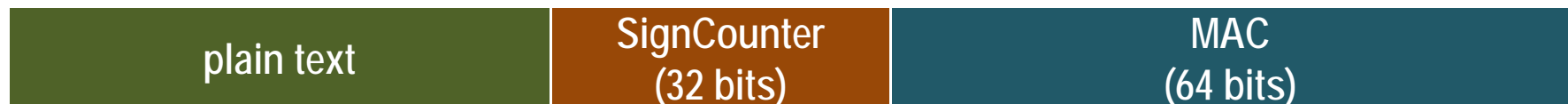
Uses SignCounter

incremented on each new message sent between devices

Message Authentication Code

calculated over plain text and SignCounter

uses CMAC as defined by RFC 4493



# SUMMARY

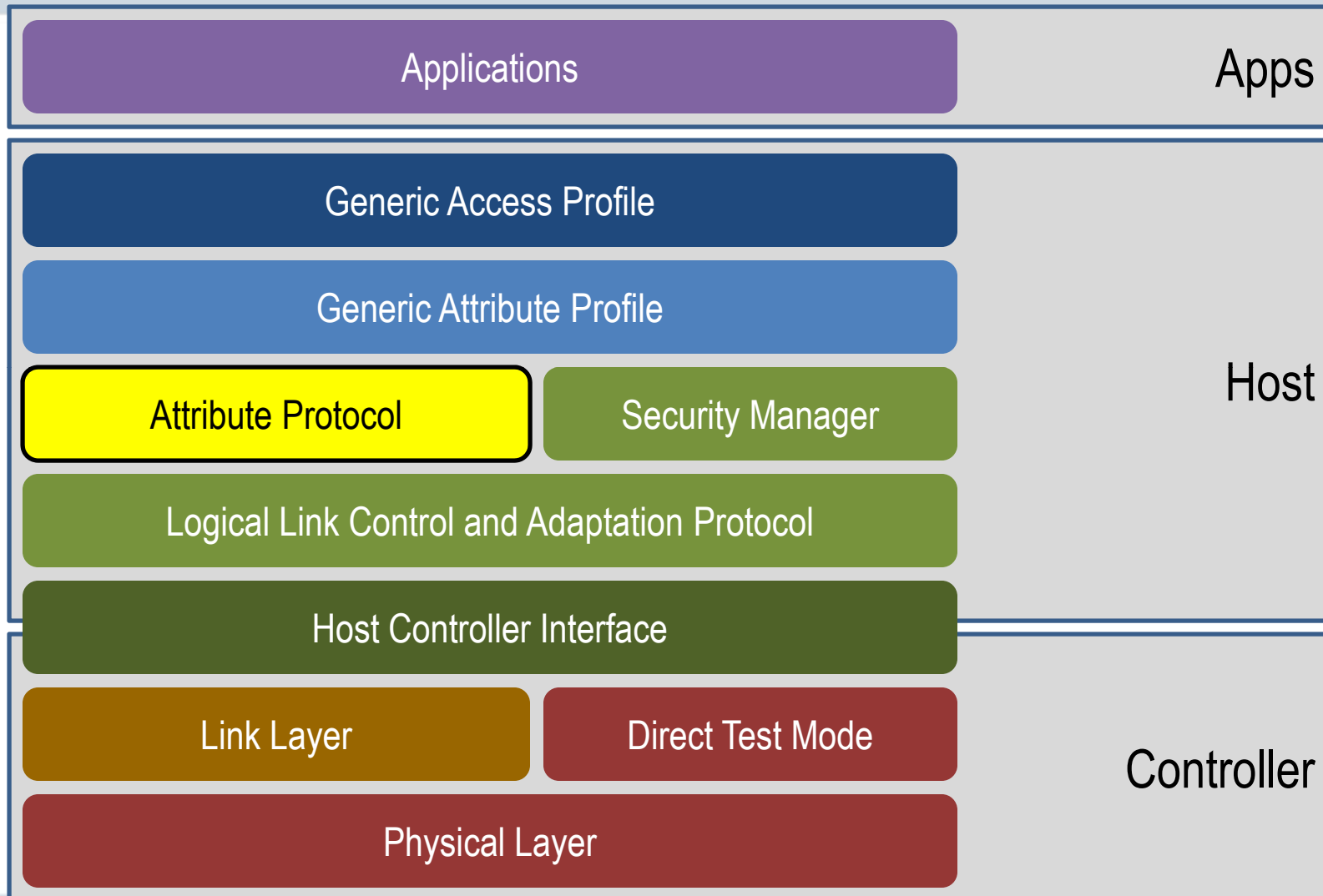
## Pairing / Authentication

- uses same IO Capabilities as SSP from v2.1
- allows upgrade to public key cryptography
- uses Key Distribution

- Defines cryptographic algorithms for privacy
- Resolvable Private Addresses

- Allows authentication using Signed Data

# ATTRIBUTE PROTOCOL



# ATTRIBUTE PROTOCOL (ATT)

## Client Server Architecture

servers have data

clients request data to/from servers

## Protocol Methods

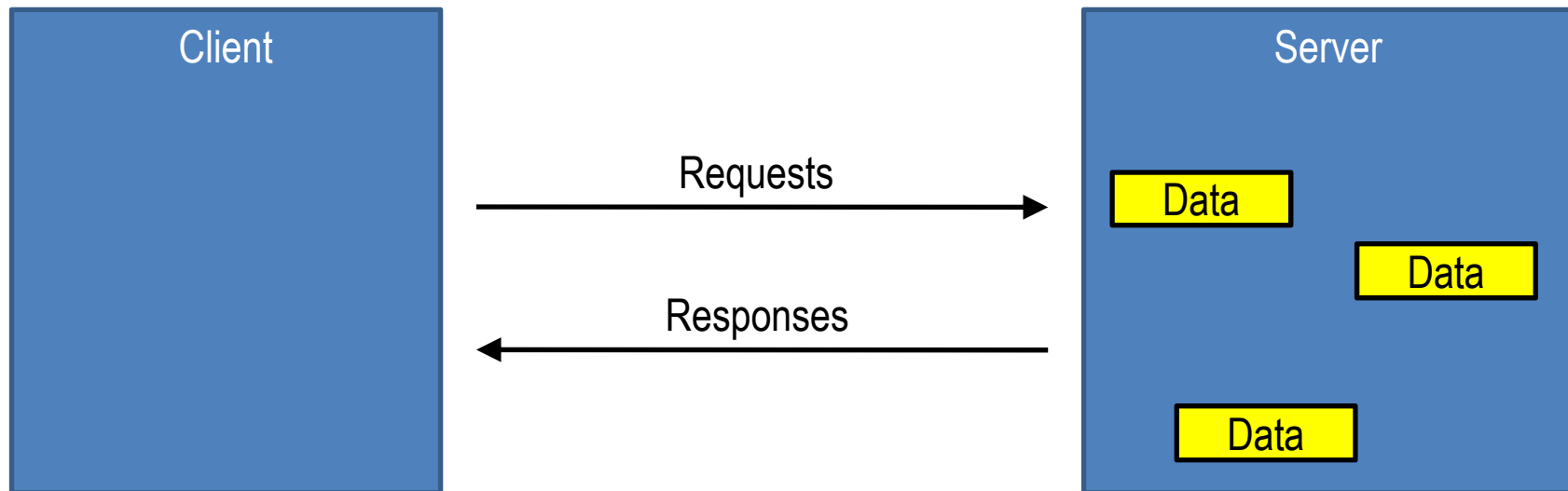
request, response, command,

notification, indication, confirmation

# CLIENT SERVER ARCHITECTURE

Servers have data, Clients want to use this data

Servers expose Data using Attributes



# SERVERS EXPOSE DATA USING ATTRIBUTES

Attributes have values

array of octets

0 to 512 octets in length

can be fixed or variable length

Value
0x54656d70657261747572652053656e736f72
0x04
0x0802

## ATTRIBUTES ARE ADDRESSABLE

Each attribute has a “handle”

used to address an individual attribute by a client

Clients use handles to address attributes

Read (0x0022) => 0x04 ; Read (0x0098) => 0x0802

Handle	Value
0x0009	0x54656d70657261747572652053656e736f72
0x0022	0x04
0x0098	0x0802



## ATTRIBUTES ARE TYPED

Attributes have a type

type is a «UUID», determines what the value means

Types are defined by “Characteristic Specifications”  
or Generic Access Profile or Generic Attribute Profile

Handle	Type	Value
0x0009	«Device Name»	0x54656d70657261747572652053656e736f72
0x0022	«Battery State»	0x04
0x0098	«Temperature»	0x0802

## ATTRIBUTES ARE TYPED

«Device Name»

defined by GAP

formatted as UTF-8

0x54656d70657261747572652053656e736f72 =  
“Temperature Sensor”

Handle	Type	Value
0x0009	«Device Name»	“Temperature Sensor”
0x0022	«Battery State»	0x04
0x0098	«Temperature»	0x0802

## ATTRIBUTES ARE TYPED

### «Battery State»

defined by “Battery State Characteristic” specification  
enumerated value

0x04 = Discharging

Handle	Type	Value
0x0009	«Device Name»	“Temperature Sensor”
0x0022	«Battery State»	Discharging
0x0098	«Temperature»	0x0802

## ATTRIBUTES ARE TYPED

### «Temperature»

defined by “Temperature Characteristic” specification

Signed 16 bit Integer in 0.01 °C

$$0x0802 = 2050 * 0.01 \text{ °C} = 20.5 \text{ °C}$$

Handle	Type	Value
0x0009	«Device Name»	“Temperature Sensor”
0x0022	«Battery State»	Discharging
0x0098	«Temperature»	20.5 °C

## ATTRIBUTE TYPE

Type is a «UUID»

UUIDs are 128 bits in length

Bluetooth defines a Bluetooth Base UUID  
allowing a 16 bit «UUID» to be defined

00000000-0000-1000-8000-00805F9B34FB

Same Bluetooth Base UUID as SDP

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= 16 bit UUID 0x1234

# ATTRIBUTE HANDLE

Handle is a 16 bit value

0x0000 is reserved – shall never be used

0x0001 to 0xFFFF can be assigned to any attributes

Handles are “sequential”

0x0005 is “before” 0x0006

0x0104 is “after” 0x00F8



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## ATTRIBUTE PERMISSIONS

Attributes values may be:

readable / not readable

writable / not writable

readable & writable / not readable & not writable

Attribute values may require:

authentication to read / write

authorization to read / write

encryption / pairing with sufficient strength to read / write

## ATTRIBUTE PERMISSIONS

Permissions not “discoverable” over Attribute Protocol  
determined by implication

If request to read an attribute value that cannot be read  
Error Response «Read Not Permitted»

If request to write an attribute value that requires authentication  
Error Response «Insufficient Authentication»  
Client must create authenticated connection and then retry  
There is no “pending” state

## ATTRIBUTE PERMISSIONS

Attribute Handles are public information

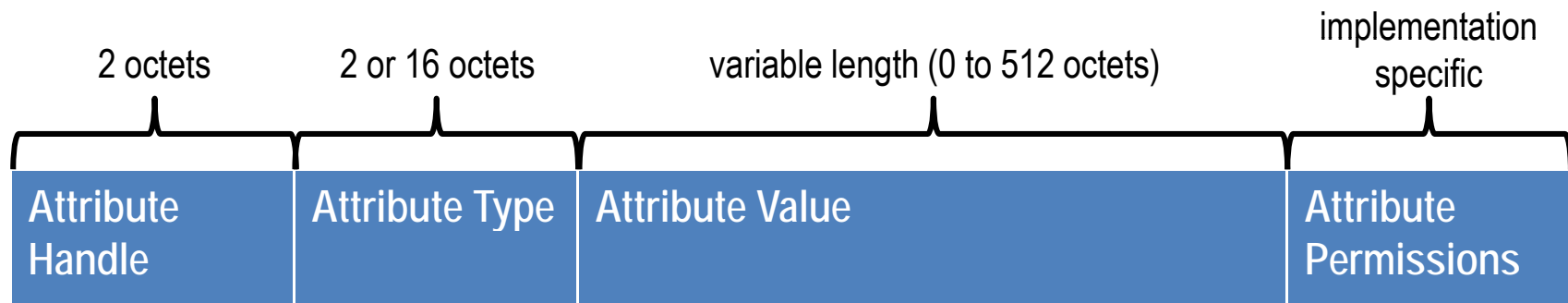
Attribute Types are public information

Attribute Values can be protected

It is up to the server to not reveal any values that it considers are protected to a client it does not “trust” enough

Server responds by saying what is wrong – not with value  
Insufficient Authentication / Authorization / Key Size  
Read / Write Not Permitted

# LOGICAL ATTRIBUTE REPRESENTATION



# PROTOCOL METHODS

Protocol PDU Type	Sent by	Description
Request	Client	Client requests something from server – always causes a response
Response	Server	Server sends response to a request from a client
Command	Client	Client commands something to server – no response
Notification	Server	Server notifies client of new value – no confirmation
Indication	Server	Server indicates to client new value – always causes a confirmation
Confirmation	Client	Confirmation to an indication

# PROTOCOL IS STATELESS

After transaction complete  
no state is stored in protocol

A transaction is:

Request -> Response

Command

Notification

Indication -> Confirmation

## SEQUENTIAL PROTOCOL

Client can only send one request at a time  
request completes after response received in client

Server can only send one indication at a time  
indication completes after confirmation received in server

Commands and Notifications are no response / confirmation  
can be sent at any time  
could be dropped if buffer overflows – consider unreliable



# ATOMIC OPERATIONS

Each request / command is an atomic operation  
cannot be affected by another client at the same time

If link is disconnected halfway through a transaction  
value of attribute(s) undefined

there is no “rollback” or “transactional processing”

# ATTRIBUTE GROUPING

Generic Attribute Profile defines a concept of Grouping  
Grouping is done by Attribute Type

«Grouping Type»  
    «Another Grouping Type»  
        «Data»  
        «Data»  
    «Another Grouping Type»  
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«Secondary Service»

    «Characteristic»

        «Data»

        «Data»

    «Characteristic»

        «Data»

        «Data»

«Primary Service»

    «Data»

    «Characteristic»

        «Data»

        «Data»

## MTU SIZES

### Over BR/EDR

Attribute protocol uses a dynamic channel (fixed PSM)

MTU negotiated by L2CAP

### Over LE

Attribute protocol uses a fixed channel

MTU “exchanged” by ATT

$ATT\_MTU = \min (Server\_Rx\_MTU, Client\_Rx\_MTU)$

ATT\_MTU is symmetrical (same on client / server)

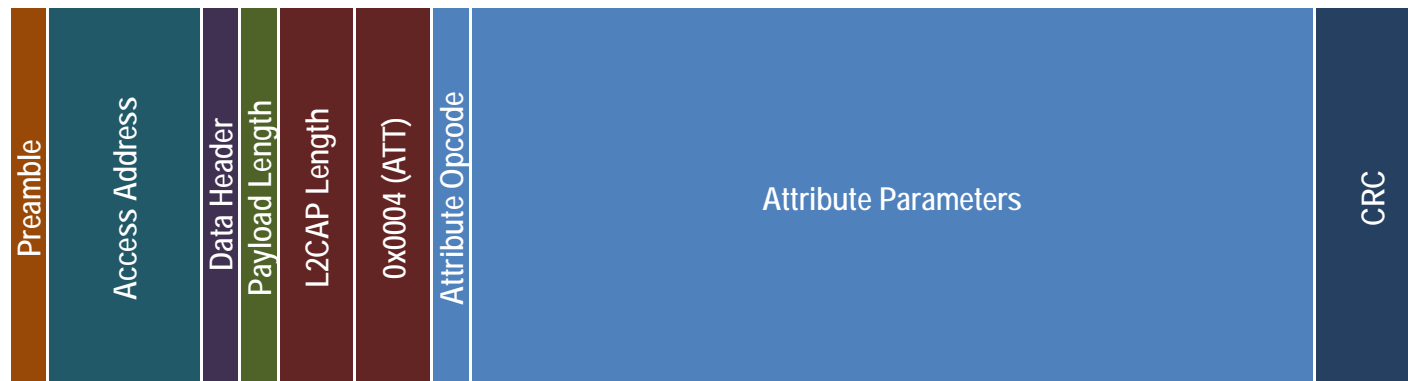
# ATTRIBUTE PDU FORMAT

## Attribute Opcode

bit 6-0 : Method

bit 7 : Authentication Signature Flag = 0

Can append Signed Data to some methods



# ATTRIBUTE PDU FORMAT

## Attribute Opcode

bit 6-0 : Method

bit 7 : Authentication Signature Flag = 1

Can append Signed Data to some methods



Name	Description
Error Response	Something was wrong with a request
Exchange MTU Request / Response	Exchange new ATT_MTU
Find Information Request / Response	Find information about attributes
Find By Type Value Request / Response	Find specific attributes
Read By Group Type Request / Resposne	Find specific group attributes and ranges
Read By Type Request / Response	Read attribute values of a given type
Read Read / Response	Read an attribute value
Read Blob Request / Response	Read part of a long attribute value
Read Multiple Request / Response	Read multiple attribute values
Write Command	Write this – no response
Write Request / Response	Write an attribute value
Prepare Write Request / Response	Prepare to write a value (long)
Execute Write Request / Response	Execute these prepared values
Handle Value Notification	Notify attribute value – no confirmation
Handle Value Indication / Confirmation	This attribute now has this value

# MTU EXCHANGE

Exchange MTU (Client Rx MTU) => (Server Rx MTU)

Only used on LE (not on BR/EDR)

$ATT\_MTU = \min(\text{Client Rx MTU}, \text{Server Rx MTU})$

Can only be sent once during a connection

only be initiated by client

optional to initiate this – if you are happy with 23, don't

server has no control over if this is done



## FINDING INFORMATION

```
Find Information (Starting Handle, Ending Handle) =>  
  (format, [Handle, Type]* )
```

Handles / Types are public information

Find Information used to find this information

Responds with a list of attribute handles and their types  
can only send all 16 bit or all 128 bit UUIDs in response  
if mix of 16/128 UUIDs, multiple requests must be used  
each with different format

## FINDING INFORMATION

```
Find By Type Value (Starting Handle, Ending Handle,  
Attribute Type, Attribute Value) =>  
([HandlePair]* )
```

Returns the handle of all found attribute  
with type and value matching exactly

AND

handle of the last attribute in the attribute group

## READING ATTRIBUTES

Read By Group Type (Starting Handle, Ending Handle, UUID) => (Length, [Handle:EndGroupHandle:Value]\*)

Reads the value of each attribute of a given type in a range  
responds with handle:end group handle:value tuples  
allows reading group semantics

If multiple values have the size length, then many can be returned in a single response

## READING ATTRIBUTES

Read By Type (Starting Handle, Ending Handle, UUID)  
=> (Length, [Handle:Value]\*)

Reads the value of each attribute of a given type in a range  
responds with handle:value pairs

If multiple values have the size length, then many can be  
returned in a single response

# READING ATTRIBUTES

`Read (Handle) => (Value)`

Simple?

Only works up to `ATT_MTU - 1` octets

## READING LONG ATTRIBUTES

Read Blob (Handle, Offset) => (Part Value)

Can be used to read very long attributes

If ATT\_MTU = 23 (default on LE)

a 512 octet value would require 24 transactions to read

If ATT\_MTU = 48 (default on BR/EDR)

a 512 octet value would require 11 transactions to read

# READ MULTIPLE

`Read Multiple ([Handle]*) => ([Value]*)`

Used to read multiple values at the same time

Can only be used if  $\text{len}(\text{value}) < \text{ATT\_MTU} - 1$

Can only be used if size of each value is known  
except last value

# WRITING ATTRIBUTES

`Write Command (handle, value) =>`

I want this attribute set to this value NOW  
with no response

Used for “sending commands” to a “state machine”  
can also be signed if need authentication with cost of  
encryption setup / confidentiality requirements



# WRITING ATTRIBUTES

```
Write (handle, value) => ()
```

Simple?

Includes a Response to allow:

- flow control of transactions – no buffer overflows

- confirm that the value has been written

## COMPLEX WRITES

`Prepare Write (handle, offset, value) => (handle, offset, value)`

`Execute Write (exec/cancel) => ()`

Prepared writes are queued in server until they are executed

queue size can be discovered

response includes value again (double checking)

offset parameter allows writes to long attributes

execution is a single atomic transaction

## SERVER INITIATED METHODS

=> `Handle Value Notification (handle, value)`

Server notifies client of an attribute with a new value

Can be sent at any time, no flow control

inherently unreliable – can be dropped by buffer overflow

Typically used to notify client of state updates

turned on / off by clients using Generic Attribute Profile

## SERVER INITIATED METHODS

```
Handle Value Indication(handle, value) => Handle  
Value Confirmation ()
```

Server indicates to client an attribute with a new value

Client must confirm receipt before server can send again

Used when flow control is important

or when confirmation of state change is required

# ERROR RESPONSE

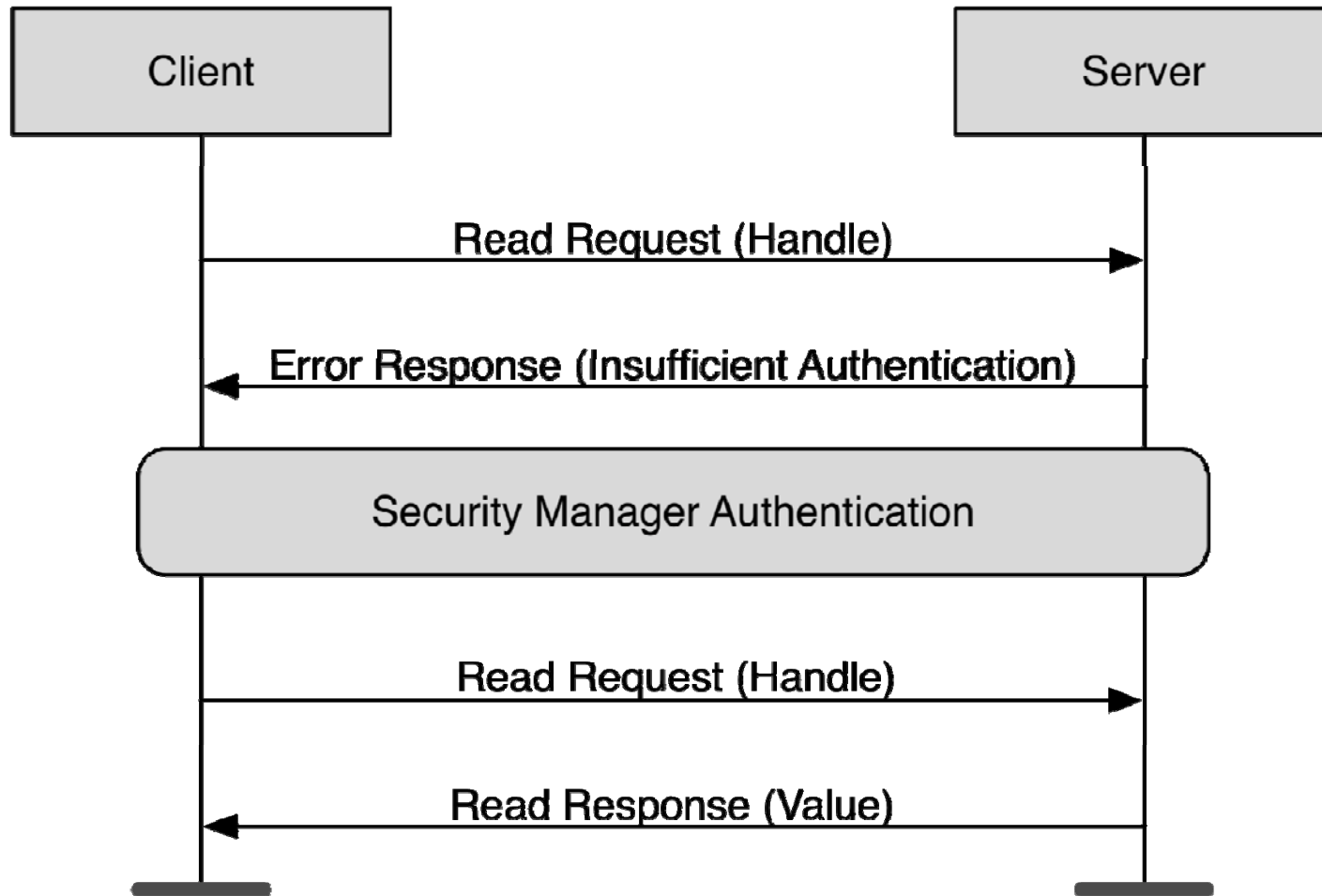
(any) Request (\*) => Error Response (Opcode, Handle, Error Code)

Any request can cause an error  
response must always be sent  
error response includes information about error

Opcode from the request – what request caused this error  
Handle from the request – what handle caused this error  
Error Code – reason why this error is raised

Name	Description
Invalid Handle	for example handle = 0x0000
Read Not Permitted	not readable attribute : permissions
Write Not Permitted	not writeable attribute : permissions
Invalid PDU	PDU was invalid – wrong size?
Insufficient Authentication	needs authentication : permissions
Request Not Supported	server doesn't support request
Invalid Offset	offset beyond end of attribute
Insufficient Authorization	need authorization : permissions
Prepare Queue Full	server has run out of prepare queue space
Attribute Not Found	no attributes in attribute range found
Attribute Not Long	should use Read requests
Insufficient Encryption Key Size	needs encryption key size : permissions
Invalid Attribute Value Length	value written was invalid size
Unlikely Error	something went wrong – oops
Insufficient Encryption	needs encryption : permissions
Application Error	application didn't like what you requested

# SECURITY CONSIDERATIONS



# ATTRIBUTE PROTOCOL SUMMARY

Exposes Data using Typed, Addressable Attributes

Handle

Type

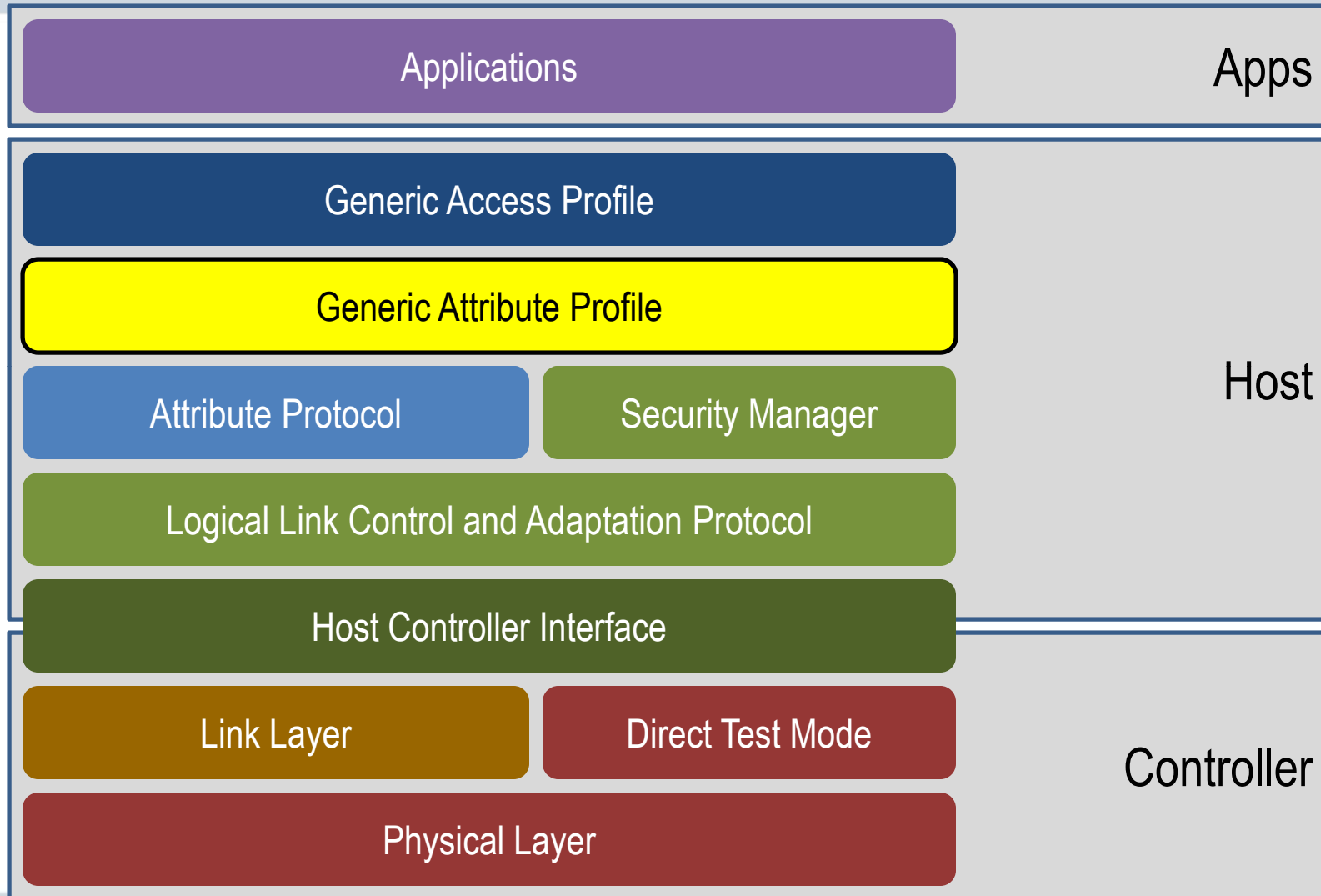
Value

Methods for finding, reading, writing attributes by client

Methods for sending notifications / indications by server



# GENERIC ATTRIBUTE PROFILE



# GENERIC ATTRIBUTE PROFILE (GATT)

Defines concepts of:

Service Group

Characteristic Group

Declarations

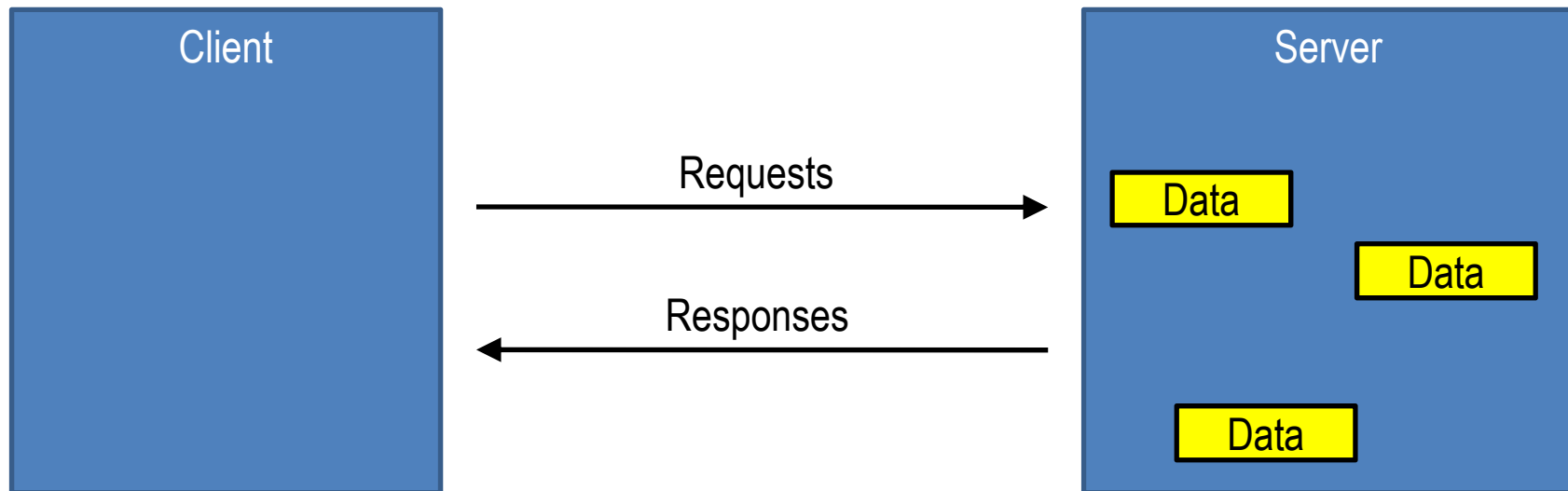
Descriptors

Does not define rules for their use

this is separate but essential to understand

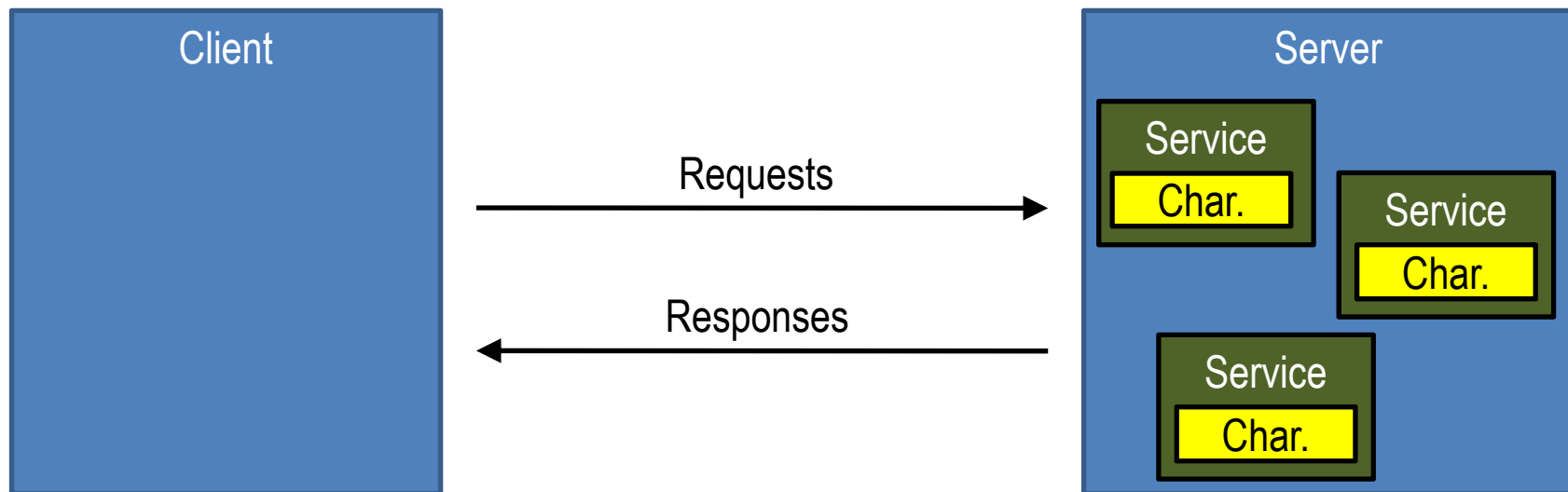
# CLIENT SERVER ARCHITECTURE

Same client server architecture as Attribute Protocol



# CLIENT SERVER ARCHITECTURE

Same client server architecture as Attribute Protocol except that data is encapsulated in “Services” and data is exposed in “Characteristic”



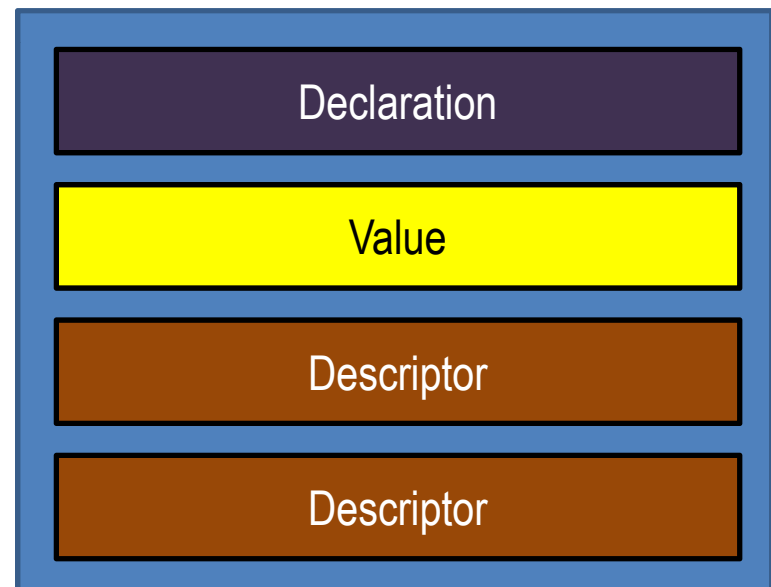
# WHAT IS A CHARACTERISTIC?

It's a value, with a known type, and a known format defined in a "Characteristic Specification"

Characteristic Declaration

Characteristic Value

Characteristic Descriptors



## WHAT IS A CHARACTERISTIC?

Characteristics are grouped by «Characteristic»

Value attribute is always immediately after «Characteristic» followed by descriptors

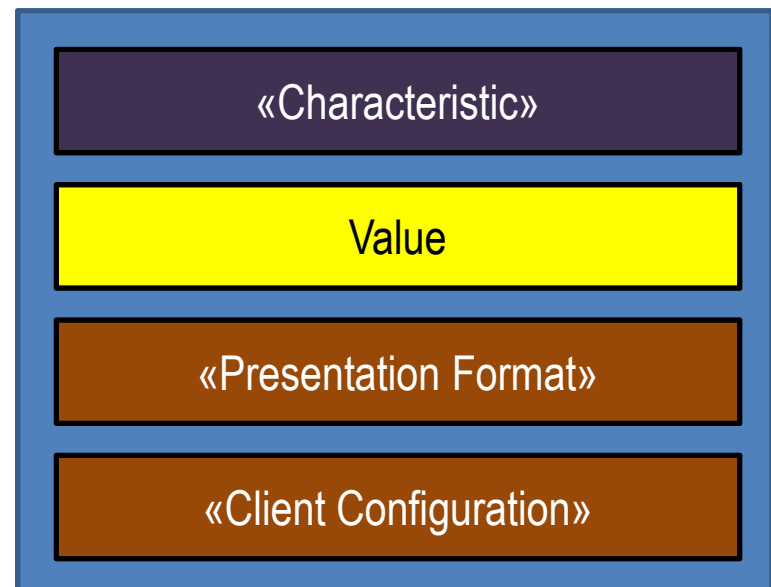
### Descriptors

additional information

any number

any order

can be vendor specific



# WHAT IS A SERVICE?

A service is:

- defined in a “Service Specification”
- collection of characteristics
- references to other services

Service Declaration

Includes

Characteristics

## TWO TYPES OF SERVICE:

### Primary Service

- A primary service is a service that exposes primary usable functionality of this device. A primary service can be included by another service.

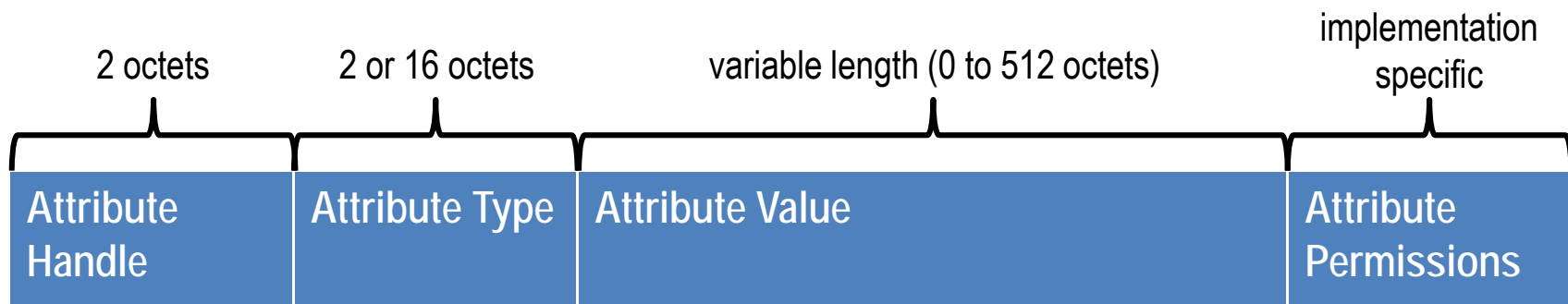
### Secondary Service

- A secondary service is a service that is subservient to another secondary service or primary service. A secondary service is only relevant in the context of another service.



# GENERIC ATTRIBUTE PROFILE

Attribute Protocol defines a server with a set of attributes  
addressable with a handle  
typed using a UUID  
with data in an attribute value  
with some permissions



# ATTRIBUTES ARE FLAT

Handle	Type	Value	Permissions
0x0001	«Primary Service»	«GAP»	R
0x0002	«Characteristic»	{r, 0x0003, «Device Name»}	R
0x0003	«Device Name»	“Temperature Sensor”	R
0x0004	«Characteristic»	{r, 0x0006, «Appearance»}	R
0x0006	«Appearance»	«Thermometer»	R
0x000F	«Primary Service»	«GATT»	R
0x0010	«Characteristic»	{r, 0x0012, «Attribute Opcodes Supported»}	R
0x0012	«Attribute Opcodes Supported»	0x00003FDF	R
0x0020	«Primary Service»	«Temperature»	R
0x0021	«Characteristic»	{r, 0x0022, «Temperature Celsius»}	R
0x0022	«Temperature Celsius»	0x0802	R*

# GENERIC ATTRIBUTE PROFILE IMPOSES STRUCTURE

Primary Service «GAP»

«Device Name» "Temperature Sensor"

«Appearance» «Thermometer»

Primary Service «GATT»

«Attribute Opcodes Supported» 0x03FDF

Primary Service «Temperature»

«Temperature Celsius» 0x0802

# GROUPING GIVES STRUCTURE

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0x0003	«Device Name»	“Temperature Sensor”	R
0x0004	«Characteristic»	{r, 0x0006, «Appearance»}	R
0x0006	«Appearance»	«Thermometer»	R
0x000F	«Primary Service»	«GATT»	R
0x0010	«Characteristic»	{r, 0x0012, «Attribute Opcodes Supported»}	R
0x0012	«Attribute Opcodes Supported»	0x00003FDF	R
0x0020	«Primary Service»	«Temperature»	R
0x0021	«Characteristic»	{r, 0x0022, «Temperature Celsius»}	R
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0x000F	«Primary Service»	«GATT»	R
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0x000F	«Primary Service»	«GATT»	R
0x0010	«Characteristic»	{r, 0x0012, «Attribute Opcodes Supported»}	R
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## «INCLUDE» DECLARATION

Allows services to reference other services

Value is reference to another Service:

Service Handle

End Group Handle

Service UUID

Type	Value	Permissions
«Include»	Service Handle End Group Handle Service UUID	Read only, no authentication, no authorization

## «PRIMARY SERVICE» DECLARATION

Groups attributes for a primary service  
followed by «Include»  
then followed by «Characteristic»

Attribute value is UUID for Service

e.g. «GAP», «GATT», «Temperature», «Battery», etc...

Type	Value	Permissions
«Primary Service»	UUID for Service	Read only, no authentication, no authorization



## «SECONDARY SERVICE» DECLARATION

Groups attributes for a secondary service  
followed by «Include»  
then followed by «Characteristic»

Attribute value is UUID for Service

e.g. «GAP», «GATT», «Temperature», «Battery», etc...

Type	Value	Permissions
«Secondary Service»	UUID for Service	Read only, no authentication, no authorization

## «CHARACTERISTICS» DECLARATION

Groups attributes for a characteristic within a service followed by Characteristic Value attribute, descriptors

Attribute Value is:

properties for characteristic value (b,r,c,w,n,i,a,e)

handle of characteristic value

type of characteristic

Type	Value	Permissions
«Characteristic»	Properties, Value Handle, Characteristic UUID	Read only, no authentication, no authorization

## «CHARACTERISTICS» PROPERTIES

### Properties for Characteristic Value

Broadcast

Read

Command

Write

Notify

Indicate

Signed Command

Extended Properties

## CONTROL-POINT CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristics that are only:

Command, Write, Notify or Indicate  
are called “Control-Point Characteristics”

Cannot read Control-Point Characteristics

they expose no state

can represent “instantaneous” state

## «CHARACTERISTIC» HANDLE AND TYPE

Handle for Characteristic Value not incremental to Declaration

Type is repeated for optimized searches

Read By Type «Device Name»

Read By Type «Characteristic»

Handle	Type	Value	Permissions
0x0001	«Primary Service»	«GAP»	R
0x0002	«Characteristic»	{r, 0x0003, «Device Name»}	R
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0x0004	«Characteristic»	{r, 0x0006, «Appearance»}	R
0x0006	«Appearance»	«Thermometer»	R

# CHARACTERISTIC DESCRIPTORS

«Characteristic Extended Properties»

Additional properties (that didn't fit in «Characteristic»)

Bit: Reliable Write

can “prepare / execute write”

Bit: Writable Descriptors

can write descriptors (when allowed)

# CHARACTERISTIC DESCRIPTORS

«Characteristic User Description»

UTF-8 string

Description of this characteristic

typically written by user to label a characteristic

may require authentication / authorization to write

max of one User Description per Characteristic

## CHARACTERISTIC DESCRIPTORS

«Client Characteristic Configuration»

Notification / Indication configuration

Allows each client to turn on / off notifications / indications  
does not define when these are sent  
just that they are sent

Different value for each client that is “bonded” with device  
may require authentication / authorization to write



## CHARACTERISTIC DESCRIPTORS

«Server Characteristic Configuration»

Broadcast configuration

Allows any client to turn on / off broadcast

does not define when these are sent

just that they are sent

One value for all clients

may require authentication / authorization to write

# CHARACTERISTIC DESCRIPTORS

## «Characteristic Presentation Format»

defines how the characteristic value is formatted  
used to “present” value to user via a “Generic Client”

Fields include:

Format (boolean, uint8, sint16, float32, utf8s, etc...)

Exponent (multiply value by  $10^{\text{Exponent}}$ )

Unit (SI Units / Derived Units)

Name Space (Who allocated Description: Bluetooth, Continua)

Description (Above, Below, Armpit, Ear, Inside, Outside, etc...)

# CHARACTERISTIC DESCRIPTORS

## «Characteristic Aggregate»

list of characteristic presentation formats  
for each part of the aggregated value

«Longitude», «Latitude», «Elevation»

## «3D Position»

Aggregate Longitude / Latitude / Elevation

# GATT PROCEDURES

Procedure	Sub-Procedures
Server Configuration	Exchange MTU
Primary Service Discovery	Discovery All Primary Service Discover Primary Service by Service UUID
Relationship Discovery	Find Included Services
Characteristic Discovery	Discover All Characteristics of a Service Discover Characteristics by UUID
Characteristic Descriptor Discovery	Discover All Characteristic Descriptors
Characteristic Value Read	Read Characteristic Value Read Using Characteristic UUID Read Long Characteristic Values Read Multiple Characteristic Values

# GATT PROCEDURES

Procedure	Sub-Procedures
Characteristic Value Write	Write Without Response Write Without Response With Authentication Write Characteristic Value Write Long Characteristic Values Reliable Writes
Characteristic Value Notifications	Notifications
Characteristic Value Indications	Indications
Characteristic Descriptors	Read Characteristic Descriptors Read Long Characteristic Descriptors Write Characteristic Descriptors Write Long Characteristic Desc

## GATT CHARACTERISTICS

GATT defines its own «GATT» Service, and characteristics

«Service Changed»

«Attribute OpCodes Supported»

## «SERVICE CHANGED» CHARACTERISTIC

### Control-Point Characteristic

notified when client uses attributes on a server  
after server has change attribute handles  
or after server has added or removed services

Client must perform “Service Discovery” procedure  
re-establish services / characteristics

# GATT CHARACTERISTICS

## «Attribute Opcodes Supported»

What attribute protocol opcodes are supported  
just a bit mask



## GATT SUMMARY

Defines grouping of attributes

Services

Include

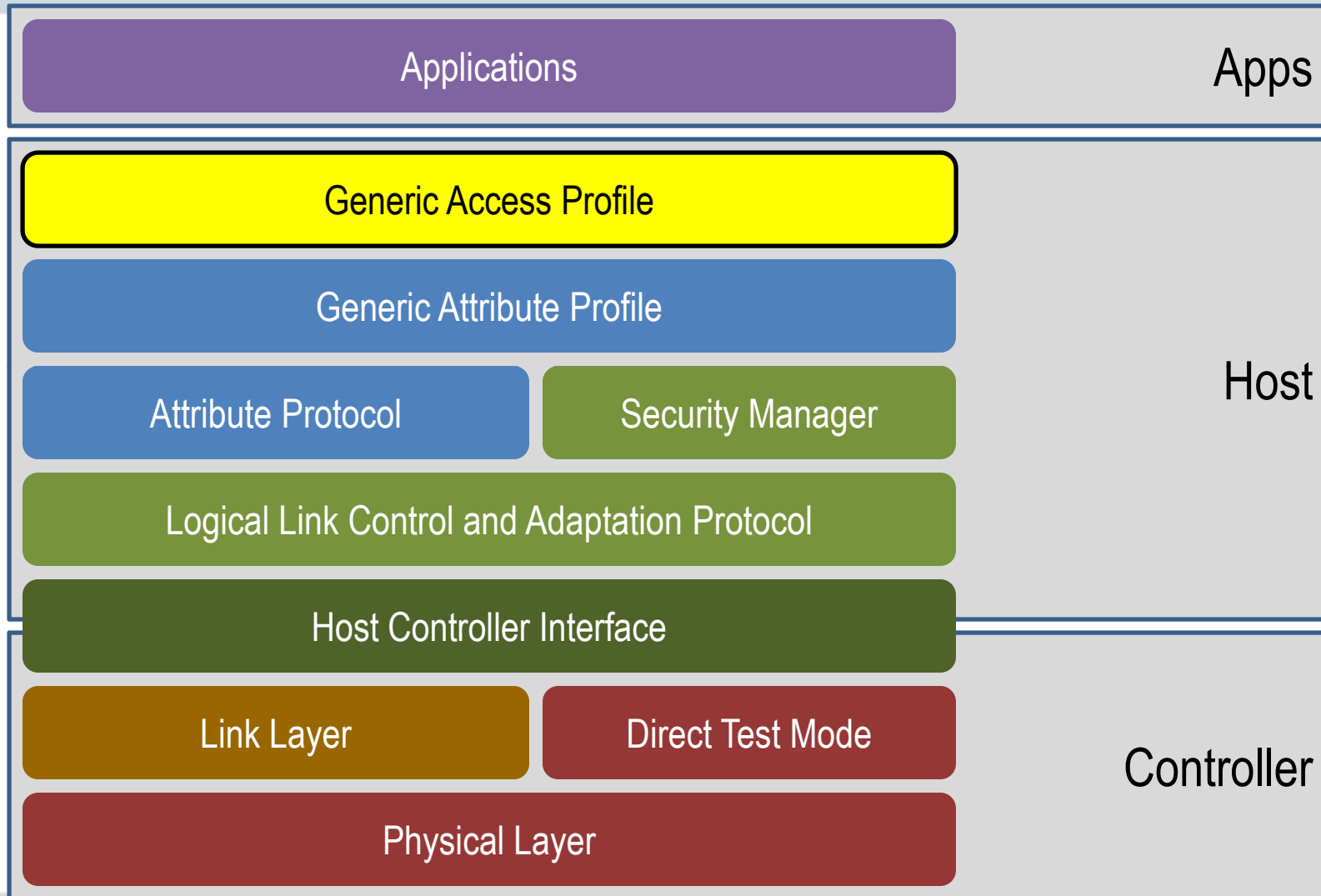
Characteristics

Descriptors

Grouping Attributes are called Descriptors

«Primary Service», «Secondary Service», «Characteristic»

# GENERIC ACCESS PROFILE



# GENERIC ACCESS PROFILE (GAP)

## Profile Roles

Broadcaster, Observer

Peripheral, Central

Defines standard ways for devices to connect

Discoverable, Connectable, Bonding

## Privacy

Resolvable Private Addresses

## PROFILE ROLES

### Broadcaster

- sends advertising events
- including characteristics
- including service data

### Doesn't need Receiver

- if it does have Receiver,
- can be discoverable

### Observer

- receives advertising events
- listens for characteristics
- listens for service data

### Doesn't need Transmitter

- if it does have Transmitter,
- can discover devices

## PROFILE ROLES

### Peripheral

Has Transmitter & Receiver

Always slave

Connectable advertising

Must support

All LL Control Procedures

Encryption optional

### Central

Has Transmitter & Receiver

Always master

Never advertisers

Must support

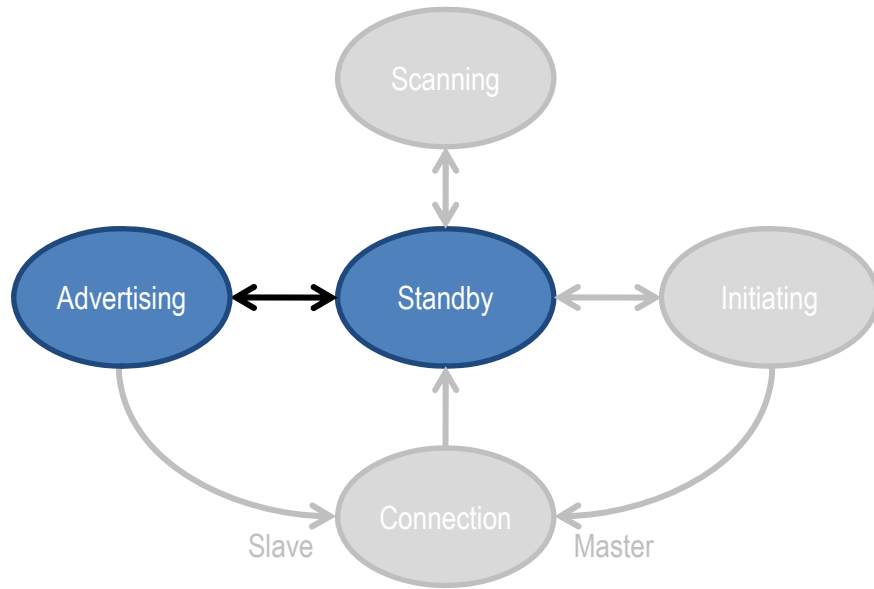
active or passive scanning

All LL Control Procedures

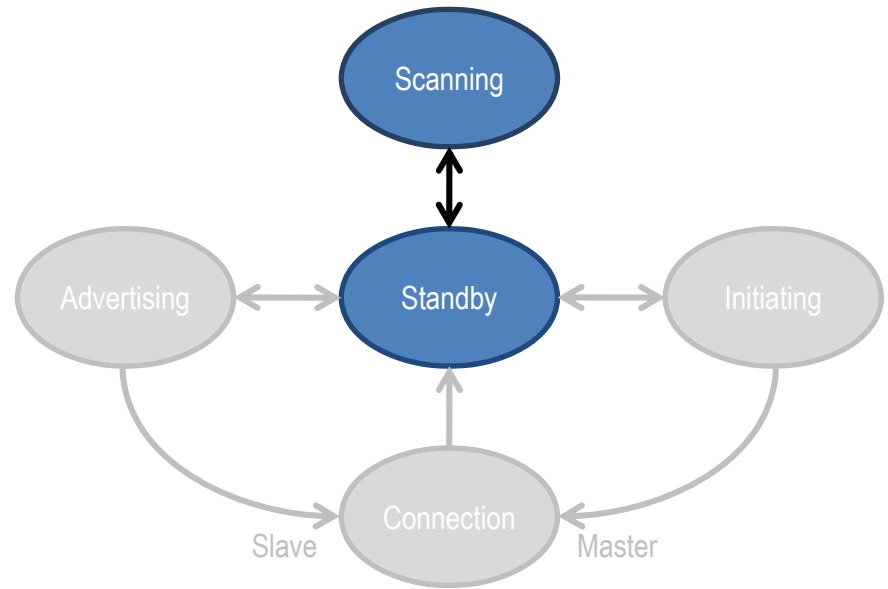
Encryption optional

# LINK LAYER STATE MACHINES FOR BROADCASTER AND OBSERVER

## Broadcaster

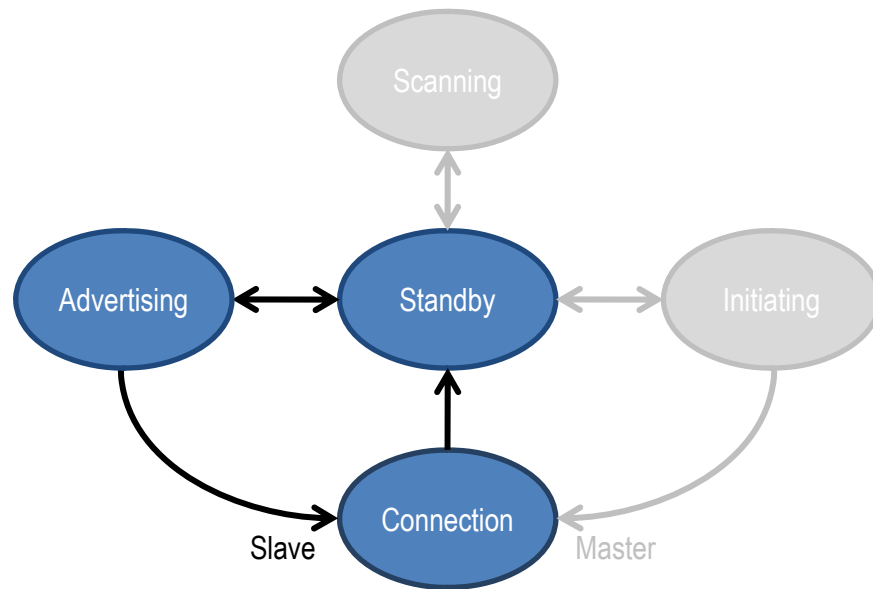


## Observer

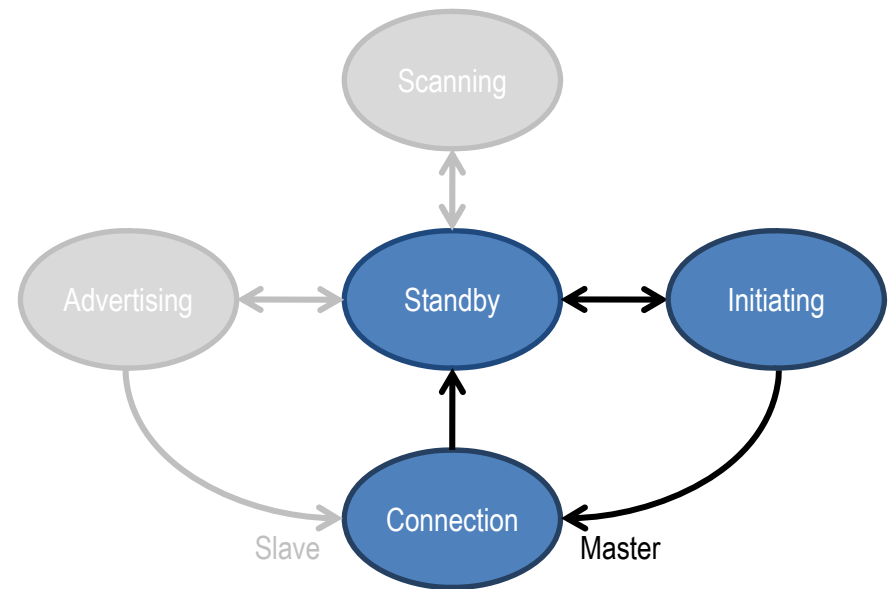


# LINK LAYER STATE MACHINES FOR PERIPHERAL AND CENTRAL

## Peripheral



## Central



# ADVERTISING DATA

Can be sent when broadcaster / discoverable peripheral

Many Advertising Data (AD) Types defined:

Flags

Service UUIDs

Local Name

TX Power Level

Slave Connection Interval Range

Signed Data

Service Solicitation

Service Data

Manufacturer Specific Data



# FLAGS AD TYPE

Tag Value	Bit	Description
0x01	0	LE Limited Discoverable Mode
	1	LE General Discoverable Mode
	2	BR/EDR Not Supported
	3	Simultaneous LE and BR/EDR to Same Device Capable (Controller)
	4	Simultaneous LE and BR/EDR to Same Device Capable (Host)
	5-7	Reserved

Tag Value	Description
0x02	Non-complete list of 16-bit Service UUIDs
0x03	Complete list of 16-bit Service UUIDs
0x06	Non-complete list of 128-bit Service UUIDs
0x07	Complete list of 128-bit Service UUIDs
0x08	Non-complete shortened local name
0x09	Complete local name
0x0A	Tx Power Level (-127 dBm to +127 dBm)
0x12	Slave Connection Interval Range (min, max)
0x14	Service Solicitation for 16 bit Service UUIDs
0x15	Service Solicitation for 128 bit Service UUIDs
0x16	Service Data (16 bit Service UUID, service data)
0xFF	Manufacturer Specific Data (Company Identifier Code, data)

## INTERESTING AD TYPES

### Service UUIDs

can determine which services a device supports without connecting to it

### Tx Power Level

combined with RSSI of advertising packet  
allows sorting of devices by distance in UI

sort by distance = Tx Power Level - RSSI

## SERVICE SOLICITATION DATA

“I’m desperate – I want a simple remote control to talk to me”

Allows a Peripheral to “advertise” what services it use

e.g.

Central wants to expose «Simple Remote Service»  
but is not advertising

Peripheral wants to use this service

Central connects to peripherals that solicit its services

# BROADCASTER & OBSERVER MODES AND PROCEDURES

## Broadcast Mode

### Flags AD Type

LE General Discoverable Mode = 0

LE Limited Discoverable Mode = 0

Uses ADV\_NONCONN\_IND or ADV\_DISCOVER\_IND

## Observation Procedure

Listens for all advertising packets

Can active or passive scan

## DISCOVERABLE MODES - PERIPHERAL

### Non-Discoverable Mode

not connectable – default mode

can advertise

Flags AD Type

LE Limited Discoverable Mode flag = 0

LE General Discoverable Mode flag = 0

## DISCOVERABLE MODES - PERIPHERAL

### Limited Discoverable Mode

used after user interaction (power on / button press)

### Flags AD Type

LE Limited Discoverable Mode flag = 1

LE General Discoverable Mode flag = 0

can only be limited discoverable for 30.72 seconds

ensures that limited discoverable devices have recently been touched by user

## DISCOVERABLE MODES - PERIPHERAL

### General Discoverable Mode

used at any time

Flags AD Type

LE Limited Discoverable Mode flag = 0

LE General Discoverable Mode flag = 1

typically used with low duty cycle advertising

should include: TX Power Level AD, Local Name AD,  
Service UUIDs AD, Slave Connection Interval Range AD



# DISCOVERY PROCEDURES

## Limited Discovery Procedures

- finds devices where LE Limited Discoverable Mode flag = 1
- finds only “Limited Discoverable” devices

## General Discovery Procedures

- finds devices where LE Limited Discoverable Mode flag = 1
- or LE General Discoverable Mode flag = 1
- finds all “Discoverable” devices

# WHAT CAN DISCOVER TO WHAT?

	Non-Discoverable	Limited Discoverable	General Discoverable
Limited Discovery	No	Yes	No
General Discovery	No	Yes	Yes

## CONNECTABLE MODES - PERIPHERAL

### Non-Connectable Mode

not connectable – default mode

### Directed Connectable Mode

connect to specific device – using `ADV_DIRECT_IND`

### Undirected Connectable Mode

connect to any device – using `ADV_IND`

# CONNECTION ESTABLISHMENT PROCEDURES - CENTRAL

## Auto Connection Establishment Procedures

automatically connect to a set of devices – uses white lists

## General Connection Establishment Procedure

connect to any device – supports private connections

## Selective Connection Establishment Procedure

connect to set of devices – separate configuration per device

## Direct Connection Establishment Procedure

connect to “that” device – any private / unknown device possible

# WHAT CAN CONNECT TO WHAT?

	Non-Connectable	Directed Connectable	Undirected Connectable
Auto Connection	No	Yes if in list	Yes if in list
General Connection	No	Yes if in list	Yes if in list
Selective Connection	No	Yes if in list	Yes if in list
Direct Connection	No	Yes	Yes

# BONDING

Security Manager defines how to “pair” devices  
authenticate and then encrypt a link

Bonding is the storing of  
Security and Identity Information

Once bonded

a device can reconnect using the stored information  
GATT will store service change information for device

# BONDING IS SIMPLE

## Non-Bondable Mode

default mode – does not allow bonding

## Bondable Mode

allows bonding

## Bonding Procedure

only when both devices are in bondable mode

# ONLY BOND IF BOTH ARE BONDABLE

	Non-Bondable	Bondable
Non-Bondable	No	No
Bondable	No	Yes



# LE SECURITY MODES

GAP defines two security modes:

## LE Security Mode 1 (Link Layer Encryption)

Level 1: No Security (no authentication, no encryption)

Level 2: Unauthenticated pairing with encryption

Level 3: Authenticated pairing with encryption

## LE Security Mode 2 (Signed Data)

Authenticated Pairing with Data Signing

# PRIVACY

Two characteristics on Peripheral  
Peripheral Privacy Flag Characteristic  
Reconnection Address Characteristic

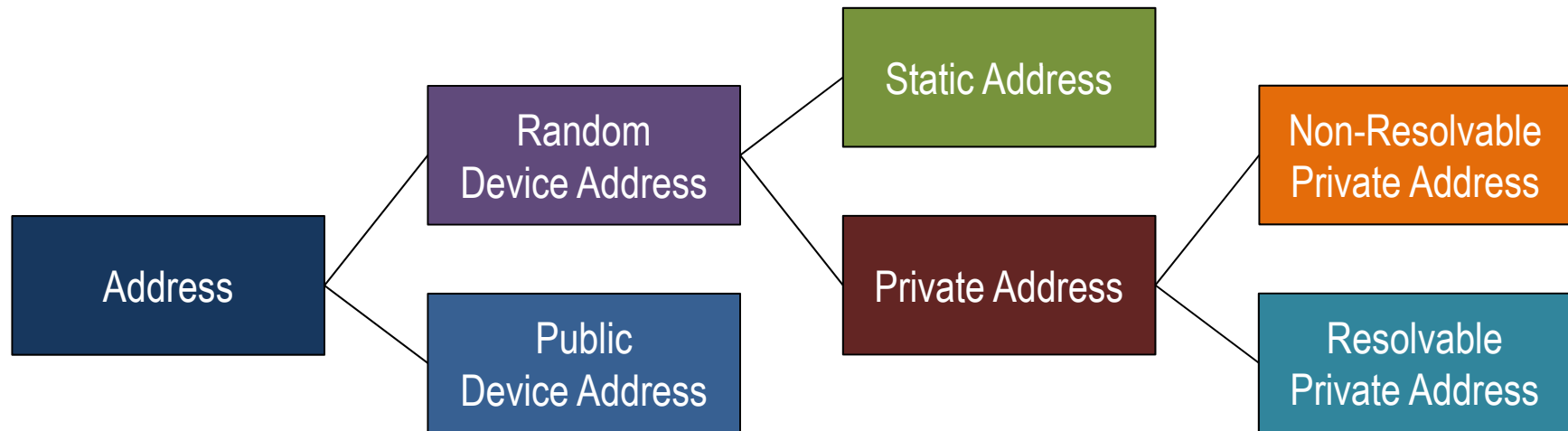
Peripheral Privacy Flag Characteristic	Reconnection Address Characteristic	Privacy Support in Peripheral
Disabled	Not Exists	No Privacy
Enabled	Not Exists	Privacy in Undirected Connectable Mode only
Disabled	Exists	Not Allowed
Enabled	Exists	Privacy in Directed Connectable Mode and in Undirected Connectable Mode

# PRIVATE ADDRESSES

A type of Random Device Address  
sub-categorized into either:

Non-Resolvable Private Address

Resolvable Private Address



# ADDRESS TYPES

				TxAdd	RxAdd
Public Device Address	company_assigned (24 bits)	company_id (24 bits)		0	
Static Device Address	random part of static address (46 bits)		1 1	1	
Non-Resolvable Device Address	random part of static address (46 bits)		0 0	1	
Resolvable Device Address	hash (24 bits)	prand (22 bits)	1 0	1	

# ADDRESS TYPES



hash = func (IRK, prand)

# GAP CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Description
«Device Name»	the local name of the device
«Appearance»	enumeration of what the device “looks like”
«Peripheral Privacy Flag»	does this peripheral support privacy – is it enabled
«Reconnection Address»	address to use when reconnecting to a private device
«Peripheral Preferred Connection Parameters»	what this peripheral would prefer the central connect with

# GAP SUMMARY

## Profile Roles

Broadcaster, Observer, Peripheral, Central

## Defines modes and procedures for

Discovery, Connections, Bonding

## Privacy

Non-Resolvable and Resolvable Private Addresses

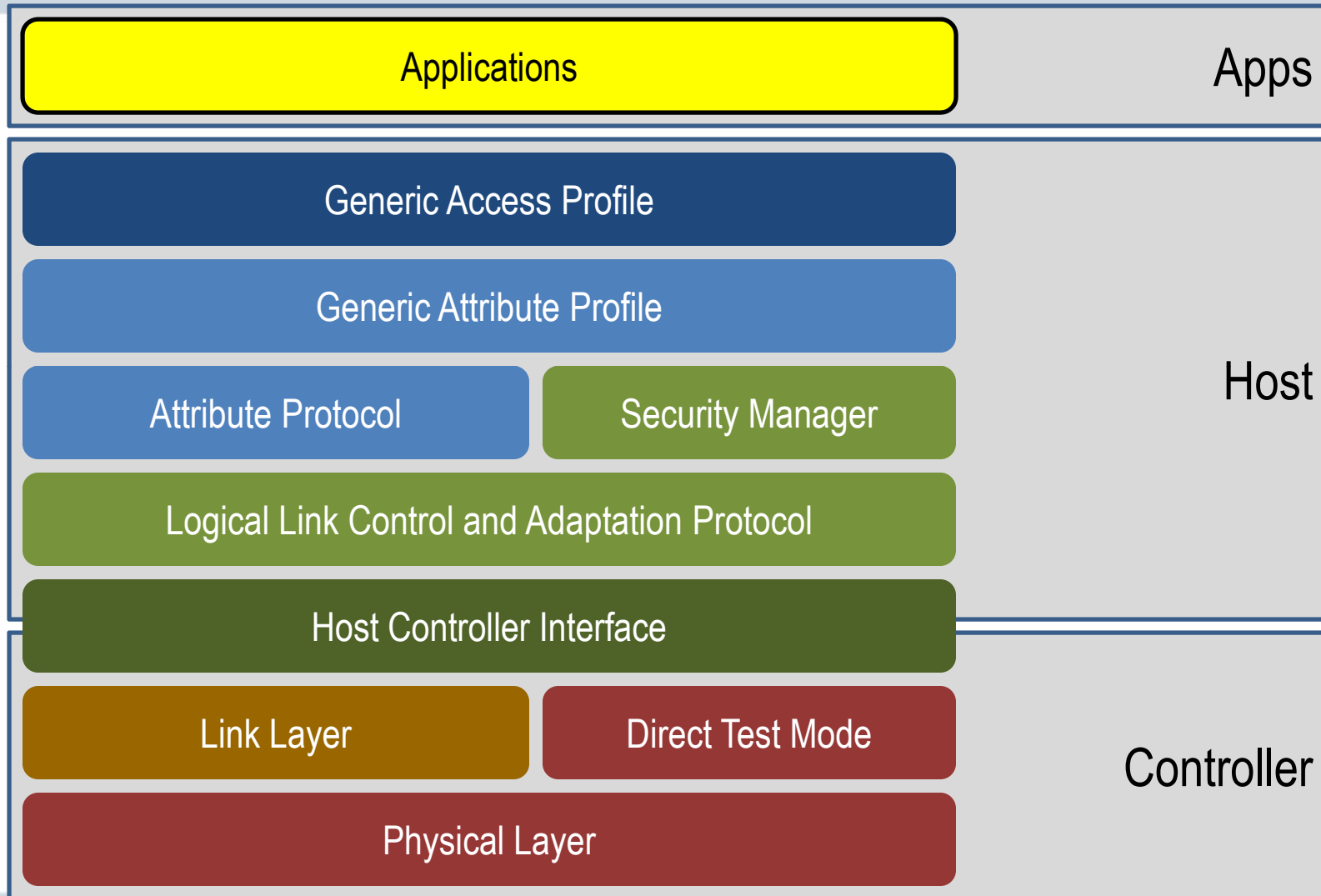
# AFTERNOON BREAK

*return at 15:45*





# APPLICATIONS

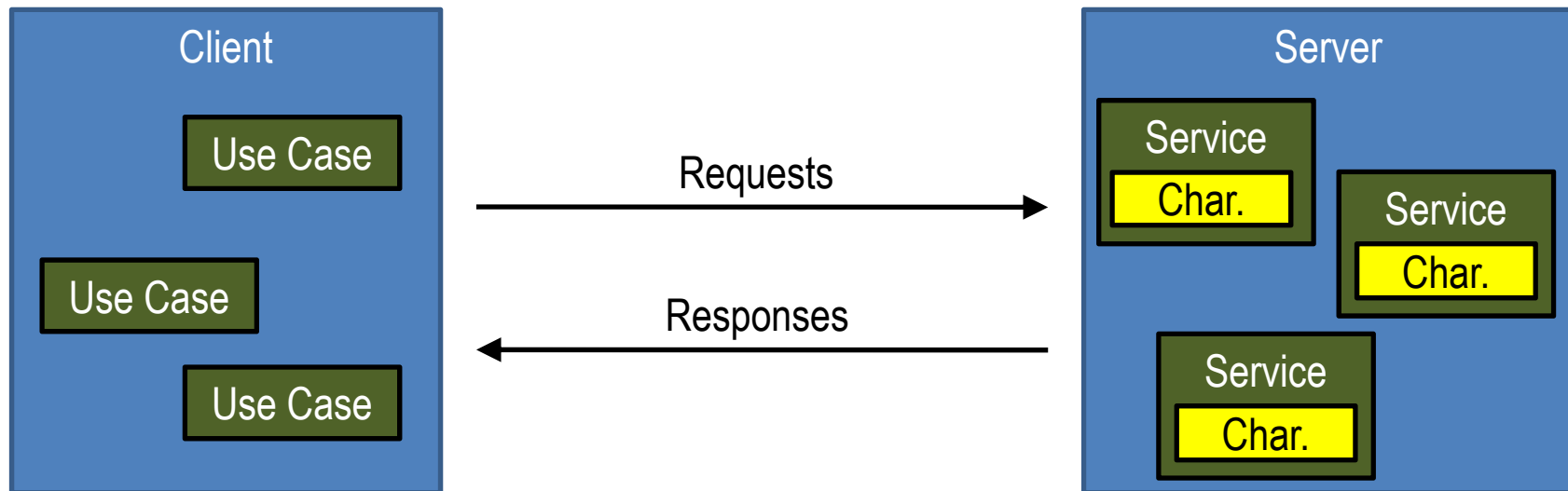


# APPLICATIONS

## Client Server Architecture

Services – exposes behavior that have characteristics

Use Cases– define how to use services on a peer



Service  $\neq$  Profile

Use Case != Profile

Use Case != Service

## WHY SPLIT PROFILES?

There is not a one to one link between services and use cases

«Immediate Alert» Service

Could be used by

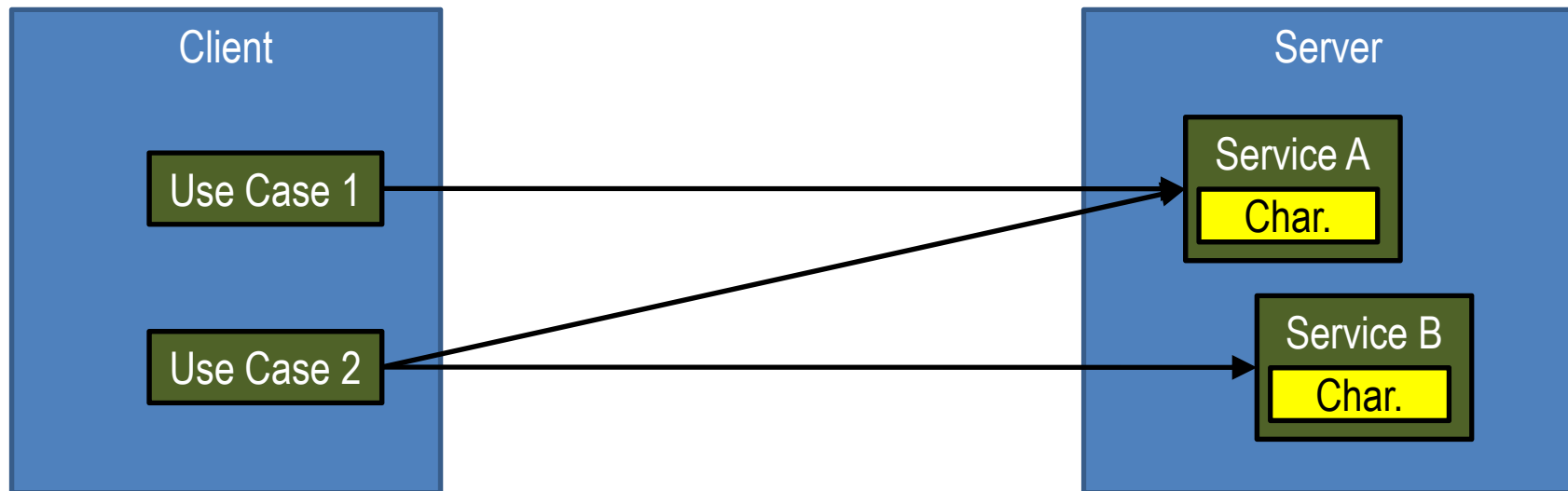
Proximity Use Case

Device Selection Use Case

# APPLICATIONS

Use Case 1 uses Service «A»

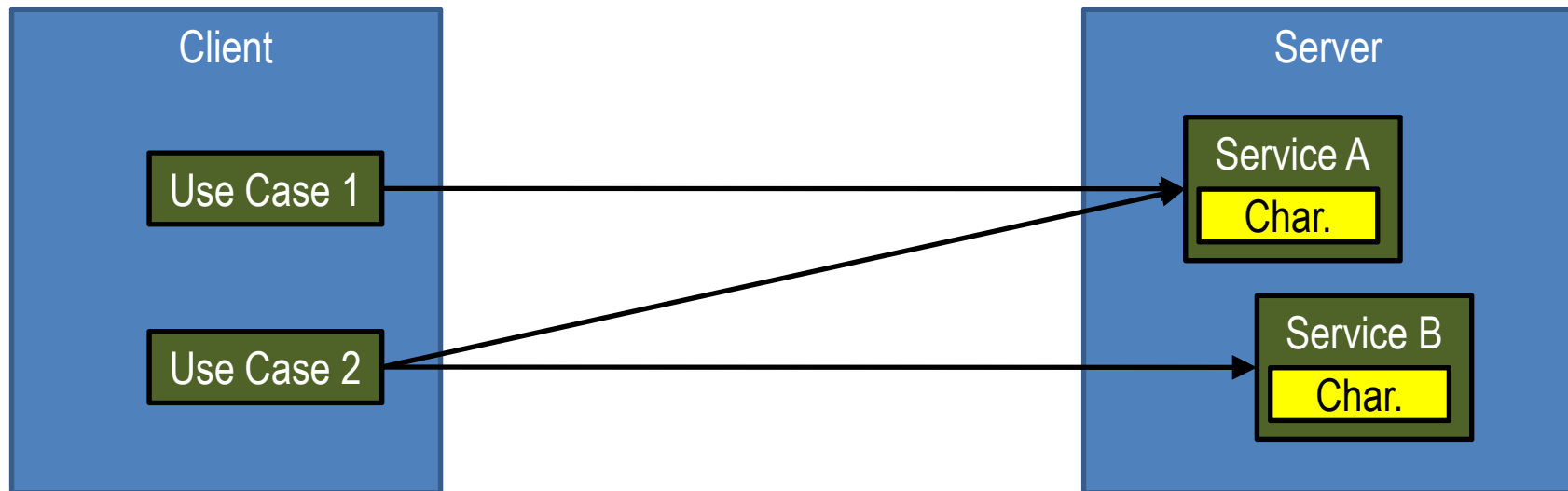
Use Case 2 uses Service «A» and Service «B»



# APPLICATIONS

Device Selection uses «Immediate Alert»

Proximity uses «Immediate Alert» and «Transmit Power»





## WHY ATOMIZE SERVICES

Services expose an atomic bit of behavior in a device

If you have an X, you implement Service «X»

If you have a temperature sensor  
you implement «Temperature» Service

If you have the ability to monitor the battery status  
you implement «Battery Status» Service

## SERVICE != USE CASE

Services expose what the device does  
not how a peer device uses it

Use Cases determine what Service are required

Proximity uses:

«Transmit Power», «Immediate Alert», «Link Loss Alert»

Device Selection uses:

«Immediate Alert»

## CLIENTS AND SERVICES

Clients implement Use Cases, Servers implement Services

A device can be a client and a server at the same time

Phone may implement:

«Network Availability» Service (as a Server)

«Immediate Alert» Service (as a Server)

Proximity Use Case (as a Client)

Sports Sensor Use Case (as a Client)

# SCHEMAS CAN USE MANY SERVICES

## Sports Sensor Use Case

defines how to talk to many sports sensor services  
can use one or more of these services:

«Heart Rate», «Peddle Power», «Cadence»,  
«Pedometer», «Foot Fall», «Position»,  
«Speed», «Elevation», «Inclination»,  
etc...

# WHAT IS AN APPLICATION?

An Application uses a set of Use Cases

Use Cases use a set of Services on a peer device

Services expose Characteristics

Services define behavior exposed by Characteristics

# HOW DO CREATE LE APPLICATIONS

## Steps:

- What state is there?
- Where is this state?
- What data does the state expose?
- How does the data work?
- How is the state machine controlled?
- What is common and can be abstracted?
- What if the client disconnects?
- What is the final set of schemas?

# WHAT STATE IS THERE?

Application	State
Thermometer	Current Temperature
Light	On / Off
Clock	Current Time
Radio Clock	Current Time Trigger Time Synchronization Time Synchronization Progress

# WHERE IS THE STATE?

Application	State	Server is located in
Thermometer	Current Temperature	Sensor Device
Light	On / Off	Light Controller
Clock	Current Time	Clock
Radio Clock	Current Time Trigger Time Synchronization Time Synchronization Progress	Clock



# WHAT DATA DOES THE STATE EXPOSE?

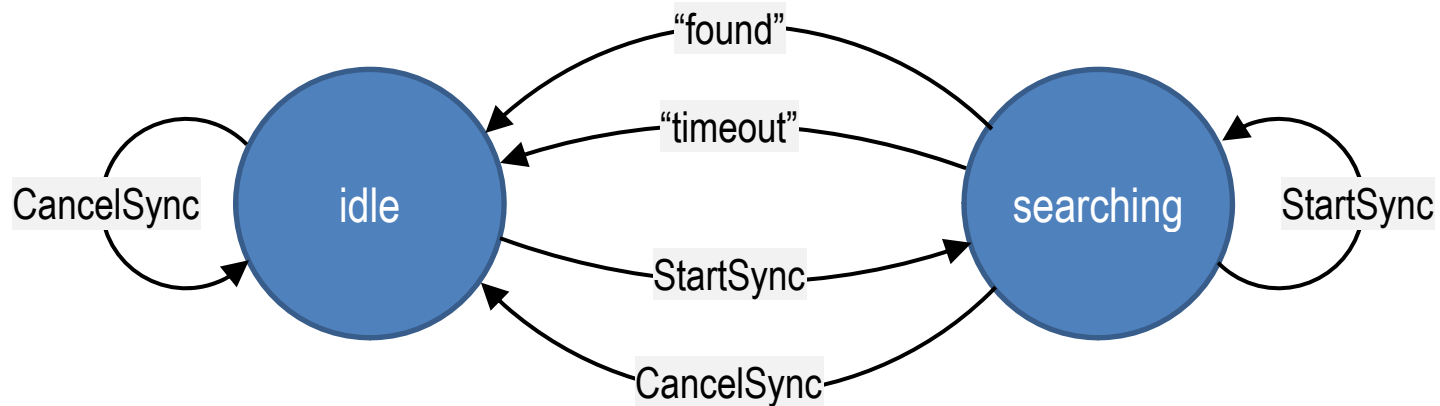
Application	Characteristic	Data Format
Thermometer	Current Temperature	sint16, $10^{-1}$ , Celsius
Light	On / Off	uint8, $10^0$ , Binary
Clock	Current Time	Localtime Characteristic
Radio Clock	Current Time Trigger Time Synchronization Time Synchronization Progress	Localtime Characteristic

# HOW DOES THE DATA WORK?

Application	Service	Behavior
Thermometer	Temperature Service	Read current temperature
Light	Light Controller Service	Read current light state Write light on / off / toggle
Clock	Current Time	Read current time
Radio Clock	Time Synchronization	Read current time Start time synchronization Cancel time synchronization Notification of sync. progress

# HOW IS THE STATE MACHINE CONTROLLED?

State	Signal	New State
idle	StartSync	searching
idle	CancelSync	idle
searching	StartSync	searching
searching	CancelSync	idle
searching	"found"	idle
searching	"timeout"	idle



## HOW IS THE STATE MACHINE CONTROLLED?

Define “Control Point” characteristics

- enumerate all possible inputs

- define behavior when input received

- define even when input is received in “invalid” state

Also expose “State Machine” state characteristic

- allows a client to discover current state

- even after a reconnection

- allows lower power “disconnected” modes

## WHAT IS COMMON AND CAN BE ABSTRACTED?

Time Synchronization Service requires

Current Time, Time Sync. CP, Time Sync. State

Local Time Service requires

Current Time

Abstract Current Time into own Service

Time Synchronization references Current Time

«Current Time» Service may be useful in other contexts

## WHAT IF THE CLIENT DISCONNECTS?

No state or behavior in clients

- clients can disconnect at any time

- clients can cache information from server

Upon reconnection

- clients can re-establish current server state

- servers should keep state small – to speed this up

## WHAT IF THE CLIENT DISCONNECTS?

Server can remember that client wants state updates  
reconnect to client when state changes  
then notify client with new state

Alternatively

provide control points to allow control without state

“Toggle Light” instead of read light state, write !light state

## WHAT IS THE FINAL SET OF SCHEMAS?

An Application uses a set of Use Cases

Use Cases use a set of Services on a peer device

Services expose Characteristics

Services define behavior exposed by Characteristics

Remember:

Use Cases define how to use services for given application

Services define behavior on characteristics

Characteristics define interoperable data formats



# EXAMPLE APPLICATIONS

Proximity

Device Selection

# PROXIMITY APPLICATION

Description:

When is a device close / far away / very far away;  
cause an alert

How will this work?

if a device disconnects, cause an alert  
alert on link loss

if the device is too far away, cause an alert  
alert on “path loss”

# PROXIMITY APPLICATION

What state is there?

ability to cause an alert – on server

ability to measure Tx Power of peer device – on server

ability to get RSSI of packets from peer device – on client

Server Characteristics:

«Tx Power»

«Alert Level»

# PROXIMITY APPLICATION

How does the data work?

«Tx Power» Characteristic

dBm of transmitter when in a connection

Range: -20 dBm to +10 dBm

Format: sint8, 10<sup>0</sup>, dBm

«Alert Level» Characteristic

enumeration of {none, mild, high}

Format: uint8, 10<sup>0</sup>, enumeration

# PROXIMITY APPLICATION

What behavior is exposed:

if a device disconnects, cause an alert

alert on link loss

«Link Loss» Service

if the device is too far away, cause an alert

alert on “path loss”

«Immediate Alert» Service

«Tx Power» Service

# PROXIMITY APPLICATION

## «Link Loss» Service

«Alert Level» Characteristic

Behavior: On link loss, cause alert as enumerated

## «Immediate Alert» Service

«Alert Level» Characteristic

Behavior: when written, cause alert as enumerated

## «Tx Power» Service

«Tx Power» Characteristic

Behavior: when read, reports current Tx Power for connection

# PROXIMITY APPLICATION

## Proximity Use Case

Defines use of «Tx Power» Service with local RSSI  
calculate “Path Loss”  
write «Immediate Alert» «Alert Level» above threshold

## Link Loss Use Case

Defines use of «Link Loss» Service  
write «Link Loss» «Alert Level» with alert level  
could cause alert on client also  
if write ‘none’, disabled this service  
allows client to gracefully disconnect

# PROXIMITY APPLICATION

Handle	Type	Value
0x0010	«Primary Service»	«Link Loss»
0x0011	«Characteristic»	{rw, 0x0012, «Alert Level»}
0x0012	«Alert Level»	0x00
0x0020	«Primary Service»	«Tx Power»
0x0021	«Characteristic»	{r, 0x0022, «Tx Power dBm»}
0x0022	«Tx Power dBm»	0x04
0x0030	«Primary Service»	«Immediate Alert»
0x0031	«Characteristic»	{w, 0x0032, «Alert Level»}
0x0032	«Alert Level»	



# PROXIMITY APPLICATION

Handle	Type	Value
0x0010	«Primary Service»	«Link Loss»
0x0011	«Characteristic»	{rw, 0x0012, «Alert Level»}
0x0012	«Alert Level»	0x00
0x0020	«Primary Service»	«Tx Power»
0x0021	«Characteristic»	{r, 0x0022, «Tx Power dBm»}
0x0022	«Tx Power dBm»	0x04
0x0030	«Primary Service»	«Immediate Alert»
0x0031	«Characteristic»	{w, 0x0032, «Alert Level»}
0x0032	«Alert Level»	

# DEVICE SELECTION APPLICATION

Description:

When is a device is selected on user interface  
cause that device to alert user

State:

device selected on client  
alert level on server

# DEVICE SELECTION APPLICATION

What state is there?

ability to cause an alert – on server

Server Characteristics:

«Alert Level»

# DEVICE SELECTION APPLICATION

How does the data work?

«Alert Level» Characteristic

enumeration of {none, mild, high}

Format: uint8, 10<sup>0</sup>, enumeration

# DEVICE SELECTION APPLICATION

What behavior is exposed:

when the device is selected, cause an alert  
alert on device selection on client  
«Immediate Alert» Service

# DEVICE SELECTION APPLICATION

«Immediate Alert» Service

«Alert Level» Characteristic

Behavior: when written, cause alert as enumerated

# DEVICE SELECTION APPLICATION

## Device Selection Use Case

Defines use of «Immediate Alert» Service

write «Alert Level» when selected

clear «Alert Level» when unselected

# DEVICE SELECTION APPLICATION

Handle	Type	Value
0x0030	«Primary Service»	«Immediate Alert»
0x0031	«Characteristic»	{w, 0x0032, «Alert Level»}
0x0032	«Alert Level»	



# WHAT DOES THIS DEVICE SUPPORT?

Handle	Type	Value
0x0010	«Primary Service»	«Link Loss»
0x0011	«Characteristic»	{rw, 0x0012, «Alert Level»}
0x0012	«Alert Level»	0x00
0x0020	«Primary Service»	«Tx Power»
0x0021	«Characteristic»	{r, 0x0022, «Tx Power dBm»}
0x0022	«Tx Power dBm»	0x04
0x0030	«Primary Service»	«Immediate Alert»
0x0031	«Characteristic»	{w, 0x0032, «Alert Level»}
0x0032	«Alert Level»	

# WHAT USE CASES DOES THIS SERVER SUPPORT?

Services	Use Cases
«Link Loss»	Link Loss
«Immediate Alert», «Tx Power»	Proximity
«Immediate Alert»	Device Selection

Behavior of «Tx Power» and «Immediate Alert» separated  
interaction defined in Use Cases  
no multi-profile issues

## WHAT SERVICES DOES THIS CLIENT SUPPORT?

Use Cases	Services
Link Loss	«Link Loss»
Proximity	«Immediate Alert», «Tx Power»
Device Selection	«Immediate Alert»

Behavior of «Tx Power» and «Immediate Alert» separated  
interaction defined in Use Cases  
no multi-profile issues

## SERVICES ARE ATOMIC

A service exposes behavior around one bit of a device  
must not be effected by any other service in the device

If a bit of a device is effected  
a service must be defined  
that defined the behavior between referenced services

network effect

1 Service = 1 Use Case

A

network effect

2 Services = 3 Use Cases

A, B, AB

network effect

3 Services = 7 Use Cases

A, B, AB, C, AC, BC, ABC

network effect

4 Services = 15 Use Cases

A, B, AB, C, AC, BC, ABC, D, AD, BD, ABD, CD, ACD, BCD, ABCD



network effect

5 Services = 31 Use Cases

A, B, AB, C, AC, BC, ABC, D, AD, BD, ABD, CD, ACD, BCD, ABCD, E, AE, BE, ABE, CE, ACE, BCE, ABCE,  
DE, ADE, BDE, ABDE, CDE, ACDE, BCDE, ABCDE

# network effect

6 Services = 63 Use Cases

A, B, AB, C, AC, BC, ABC, D, AD, BD, ABD, CD, ACD, BCD, ABCD, E, AE, BE, ABE, CE, ACE, BCE, ABCE, DE, ADE, BDE, ABDE, CDE, ACDE, BCDE, ABCDE, F, AF, BF, ABF, CF, ACF, BCF, ABCF, DF, ADF, BDF, ABDF, CDF, ACDF, BCDF, ABCDF, EF, AEF, BEF, ABEF, CEF, ACEF, BCEF, ABCEF, DEF, ADEF, BDEF, ABDEF, CDEF, ACDEF, BCDEF, ABCDEF

# network effect

## 7 Services = 127 Use Cases

A, B, AB, C, AC, BC, ABC, D, AD, BD, ABD, CD, ACD, BCD, ABCD, E, AE, BE, ABE, CE, ACE, BCE, ABCE, DE, ADE, BDE, ABDE, CDE, ACDE, BCDE, ABCDE, F, AF, BF, ABF, CF, ACF, BCF, ABCF, DF, ADF, BDF, ABDF, CDF, ACDF, BCDF, ABCDF, EF, AEF, BEF, ABEF, CEF, ACEF, BCEF, ABCEF, DEF, ADEF, BDEF, ABDEF, CDEF, ACDEF, BCDEF, ABCDEF, G, AG, BG, ABG, CG, ACG, BCG, ABCG, DG, ADG, BDG, ABDG, CDG, ACDG, BCDG, ABCDG, EG, AEG, BEG, ABEG, CEG, ACEG, BCEG, ABCEG, DEG, ADEG, BDEG, ABDEG, CDEG, ACDEG, BCDEG, ABCDEG, FG, AFG, BFG, ABFG, CFG, ACFG, BCFG, ABCFG, DFG, ADFG, BDFG, ABDFG, CDFG, ACDFG, BCDFG, ABCDFG, EFG, AEFG, BEFG, ABIEFG, CEFG, ACEFG, BCEFG, ABCEFG, DEFG, ADEFG, BDEFG, ABIEFG, CIEFG, ACIEFG, BCIEFG, ABCIEFG

# network effect

## 8 Services = 255 Use Cases

A, B, AB, C, AC, BC, ABC, D, AD, BD, ABD, CD, ACD, BCD, ABCD, E, AE, BE, ABE, CE, ACE, BCE, ABCE, DE, ADE, BDE, ABDE, CDE, ACDE, BCDE, ABCDE, F, AF, BF, ABF, CF, ACF, BCF, ABCF, DF, ADF, BDF, ABDF, CDF, ACDF, BCDF, ABCDF, EF, AEF, BEF, ABEF, CEF, ACEF, BCEF, ABCEF, DEF, ADEF, BDEF, ABDEF, CDEF, ACDEF, BCDEF, ABCDEF, G, AG, BG, ABG, CG, ACG, BCG, ABCG, DG, ADG, BDG, ABDG, CDG, ACDG, BCDG, ABCDG, EG, AEG, BEG, ABEG, CEG, ACEG, BCEG, ABCEG, DEG, ADEG, BDEG, ABDEG, CDEG, ACDEG, BCDEG, ABCDEG, FG, AFG, BFG, ABFG, CFG, ACFG, BCFG, ABCFG, DFG, ADFG, BDFG, ABDFG, CDFG, ACDFG, BCDFG, ABCDFG, EFG, AEFG, BEFG, ABIEFG, CEFG, ACEFG, BCEFG, ABCEFG, DEFG, ADEFG, BDEFG, ABDEFG, CDEFG, ACDEFG, BCDEFG, ABCDEFG, H, AH, BH, ABH, CH, ACH, BCH, ABCH, DH, ADH, BDH, ABDH, CDH, ACDH, BCDH, ABCDH, EH, AEH, BEH, ABEH, CEH, ACEH, BCEH, ABCEH, DEH, ADEH, BDEH, ABDEH, CDEH, ACDEH, BCDEH, ABCDEH, FH, AFH, BFH, ABFH, CFH, ACFH, BCFH, ABCFH, DFH, ADFH, BDFH, ABDFH, CDFH, ACDFH, BCDFH, ABCDFH, EFH, AEFH, BEFH, ABIEFH, CEFH, ACEFH, BCEFH, ABCEFH, DEFH, ADEFH, BDEFH, ABDEFH, CDEFH, ACDEFH, BCDEFH, ABCDEFH, GH, AGH, BGH, ABGH, CGH, ACGH, BCGH, ABCGH, DGH, ADGH, BDGH, ABDGH, CDGH, ACDGH, BCDGH, ABCDGH, EGH, AEGH, BEGH, ABIEGH, CEGH, ACEGH, BCEGH, ABCEGH, DEGH, ADEGH, BDEGH, ABDEGH, CDEGH, ACDEGH, BCDEGH, ABCDEGH, FGH, AFGH, BFGH, ABFGH, CFGH, ACFGH, BCFGH, ABCFGH, DFGH, ADFGH, BDFGH, ABDFGH, CDFGH, ACDFGH, BCDFGH, ABCDFGH, EFGH, AEFGH, BEFGH, ABIEFGH, CEFGH, ACEFGH, BCEFGH, ABCEFGH, DEFGH, ADEFGH, BDEFGH, ABDEFHGH, CDEFHGH, ACDEFHGH, BCDEFHGH, ABCDEFHGH

# network effect

## 9 Services = 511 Use Cases

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network effect

100 Services =

1,267,650,600,228,229,401,496,703,205,375

Possible Use Cases

network effect

200 Services =  $\sim 1.6 * 10^{60}$  Possible Use Cases



just 200 Services  $\approx$  novemdecillion Use Cases

## SIMPLE REMOTE CONTROL SERVICES AND SCHEMAS

«Simple Remote Control» service on TV / DVD / Player

«Immediate Target CP» characteristic

When written to – command performed

Remote Control Device Use Case

just a client to the «Simple Remote Control» service

# PROXIMITY SERVICES

«Immediate Alert» service

«Alert Level» characteristic

immediately alert to given level

«Tx Power» service

«dBm» characteristic

readable transmit power level

«Link Loss Alert» service

«Alert Level» characteristic

alert upon link loss

## PROXIMITY USE CASES

### Link Loss Proximity Use Case

use the «Link Loss Alert» service to alert upon link loss  
can also alert locally upon link loss

### Range Proximity Use Case

read «Tx Power» service's characteristic  
calculate path loss based on Tx Power and RSSI  
use «Immediate Alert» service to alert when outside range

# AUTOMATION SERVICES

«Light Control» service

«Power On Off» characteristic

readable / writable; turns light on and off

«Power CP» characteristic

control point to turn light on and off, or toggle state

«Appliance Power» service

«Power On Off» characteristic

readable / writable; turns appliance on and off

# AUTOMATION SCHEMAS

## Lighting Control Use Case

uses «Light Control» service to turn lights on and off  
can read «Light Control» to determine if lights still on or off

## Appliance Control Use Case

uses «Appliance Control» service to turn on appliances

## Timed Appliance Use Case

uses «Appliance Control» and «Current Time» services  
allows appliances to turn on / off at set times

# AUTOMATION SERVICES

«Utility Meter» service

«Current Use» characteristic

how much are you using now

«Current Cost» characteristic

how much is it costing per unit

«Future Costs» characteristic

how much will it cost in 15, 30, 45, etc. minutes time

«Historic Usage Data» characteristic

averaged usage data (per hour, day, week)

## AUTOMATION SERVICES

«Energy Broker» service

«Energy Request CP» characteristic

written by appliances that want to “book” energy  
can include QoS requirements

«Energy Grant» characteristic

notified to appliances with energy grants  
can be re-notified if grant is taken away  
due to high priority demands / grid demands / cost



# MEDICAL SERVICES

## «Heart Rate» Service

### «Heart Rate» characteristic

what is the current heart rate

can be notified once a second

### «Heart Rate RR» characteristic

what is the current heart rate / RR value

can be notified once a second

# MEDICAL SERVICES

«Weighing Scale» Service

«Weight kg» characteristic

what was the last weight being measured

«Weight lbs» characteristic

what was the last weight being measured

# MEDICAL SERVICES

## «MDS» Service

characteristics for IEEE 11073-20601 compatibility  
can be referenced by other services

# MEDICAL SCHEMA

## Sports & Fitness Use Case

can use any of the sport device services  
will read data, either when it wants  
or will setup notifications to get constant reports  
just one schema for all sports devices

## Continua Use Case

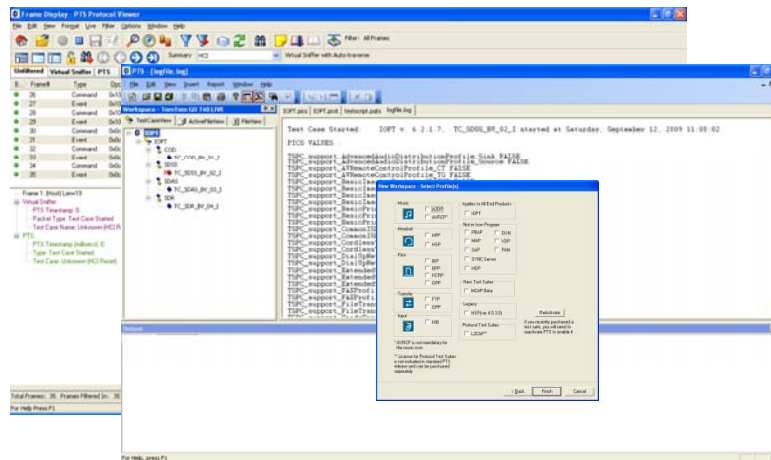
uses «MDS» service to recreate 20601 state information  
optimized over the air – interoperable functionality after LE

# PTS OVERVIEW



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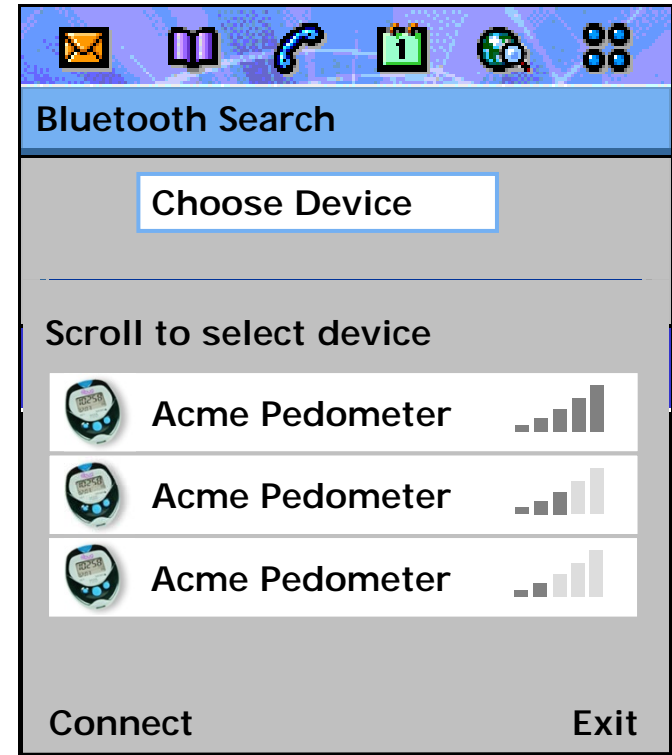
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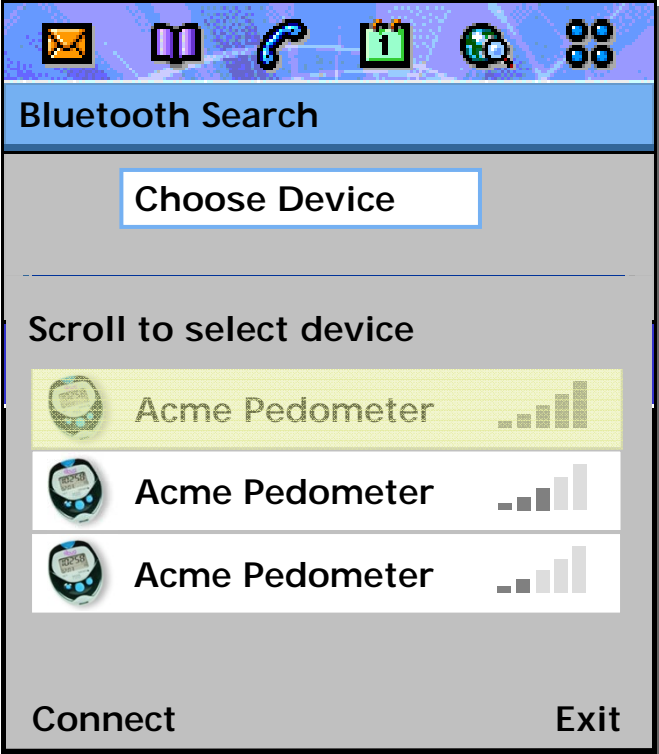
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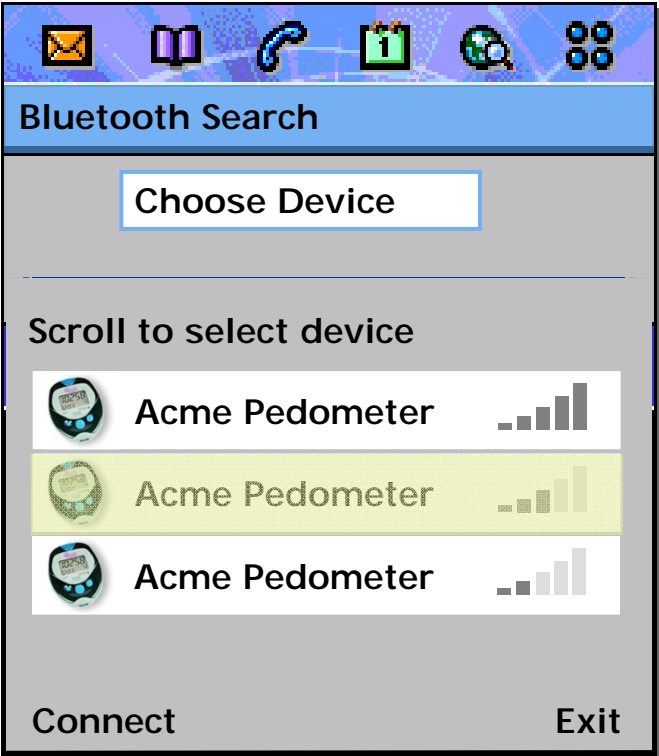
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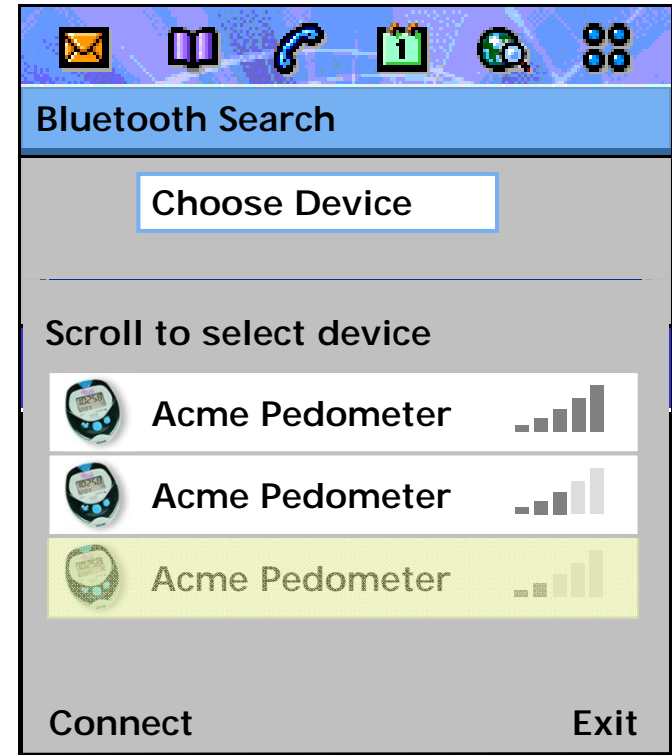
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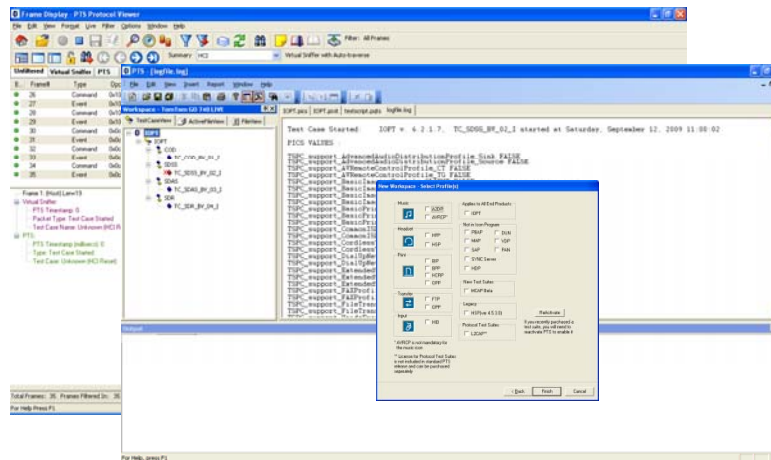


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# GOALS

Dynamic product development

Interoperable products

Simple testing

Enable generic clients

Inexpensive solution

# PRODUCTS

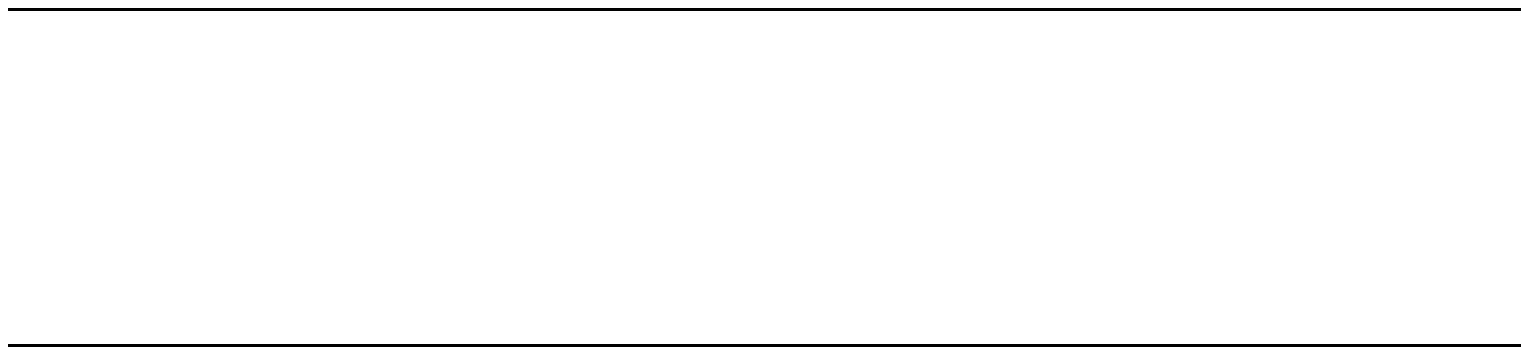
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HCI

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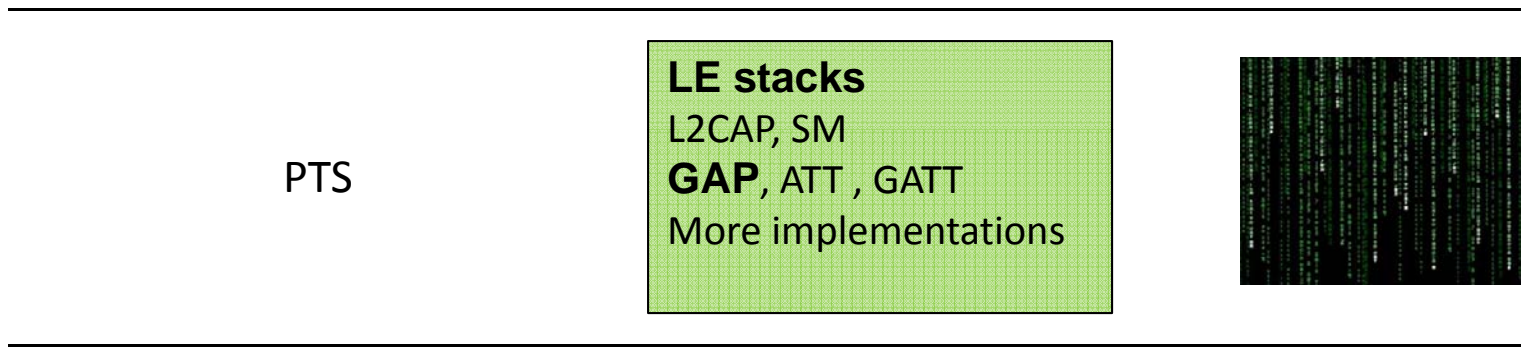
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Low Energy Tester

LE use cases



PTS

LE stacks  
L2CAP, SM  
**GAP**, ATT, GATT  
More implementations



HCI

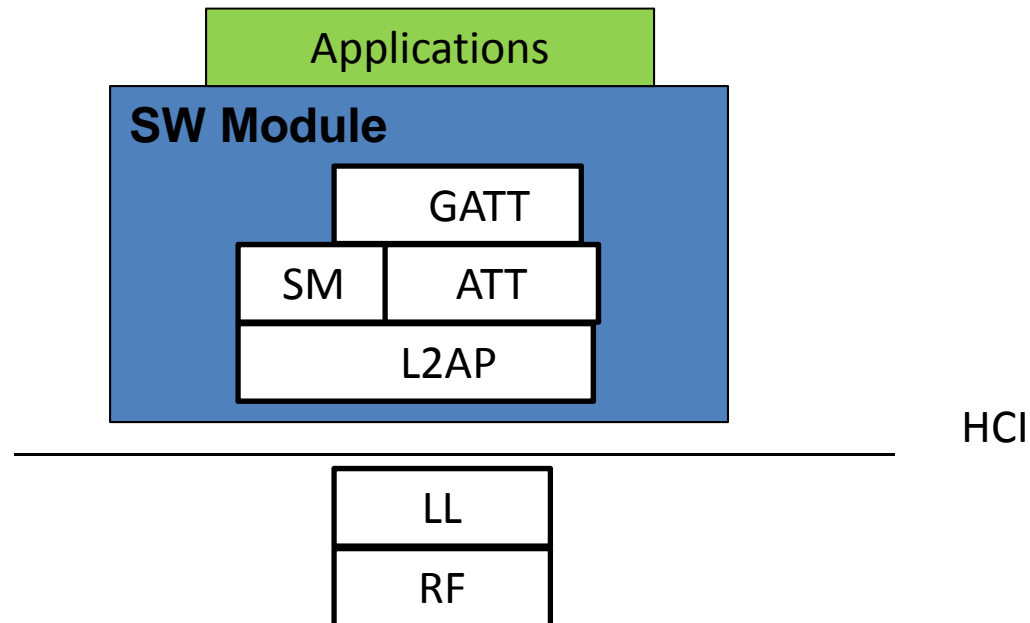
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# LOW ENERGY DEVICES

GATT and below will be qualified as before  
GATT based specifications will have a new model



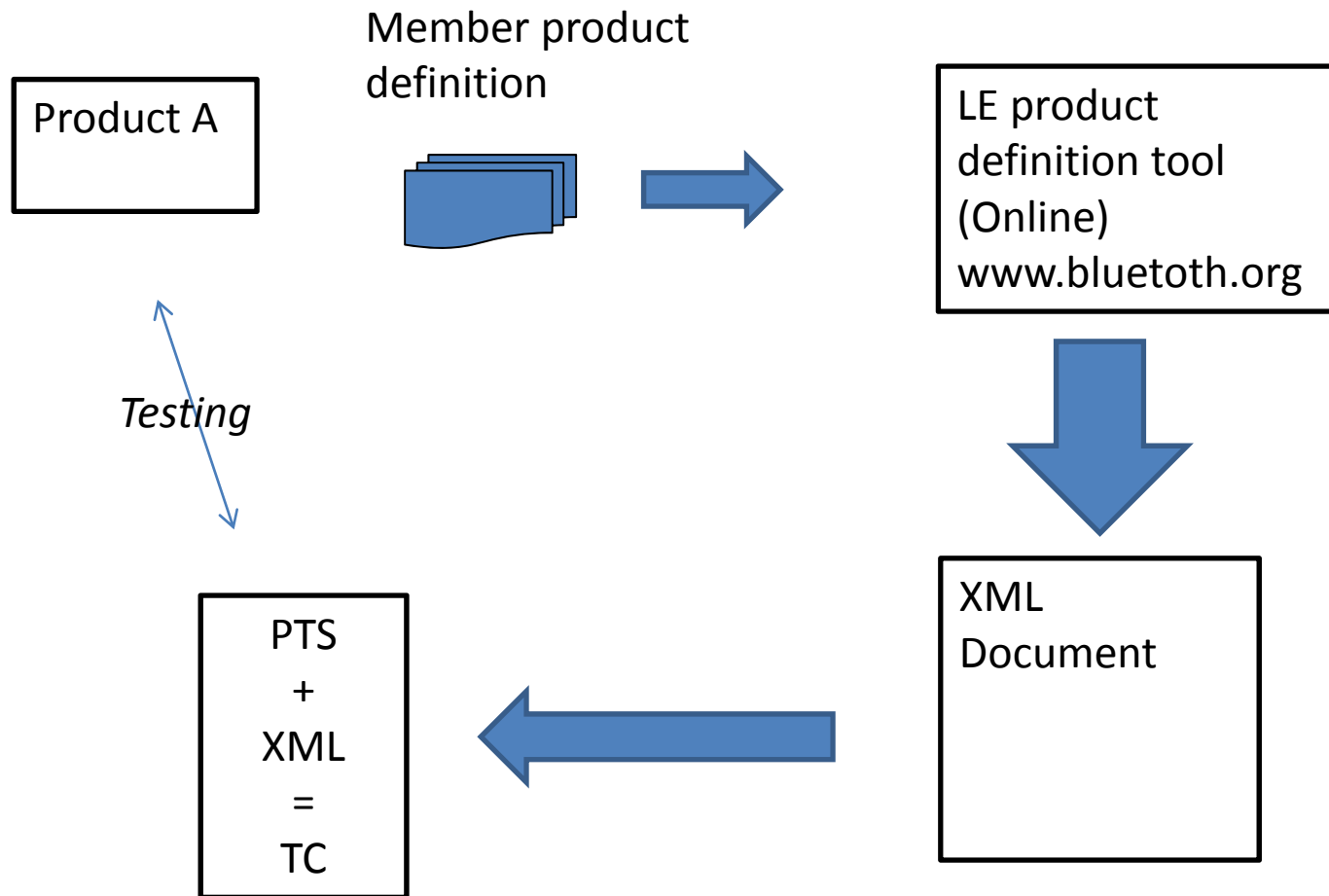
## PTS TESTING

SM, GAP and GATT will be tested by PTS

GATT testing will include several configurations

A virtual device library can be used

# XML CREATION TOOL AND PTS



# ENABLING TECHNOLOGY

## XML

- XSD (Schema Definition) created for GATT

## Profile authoring tool

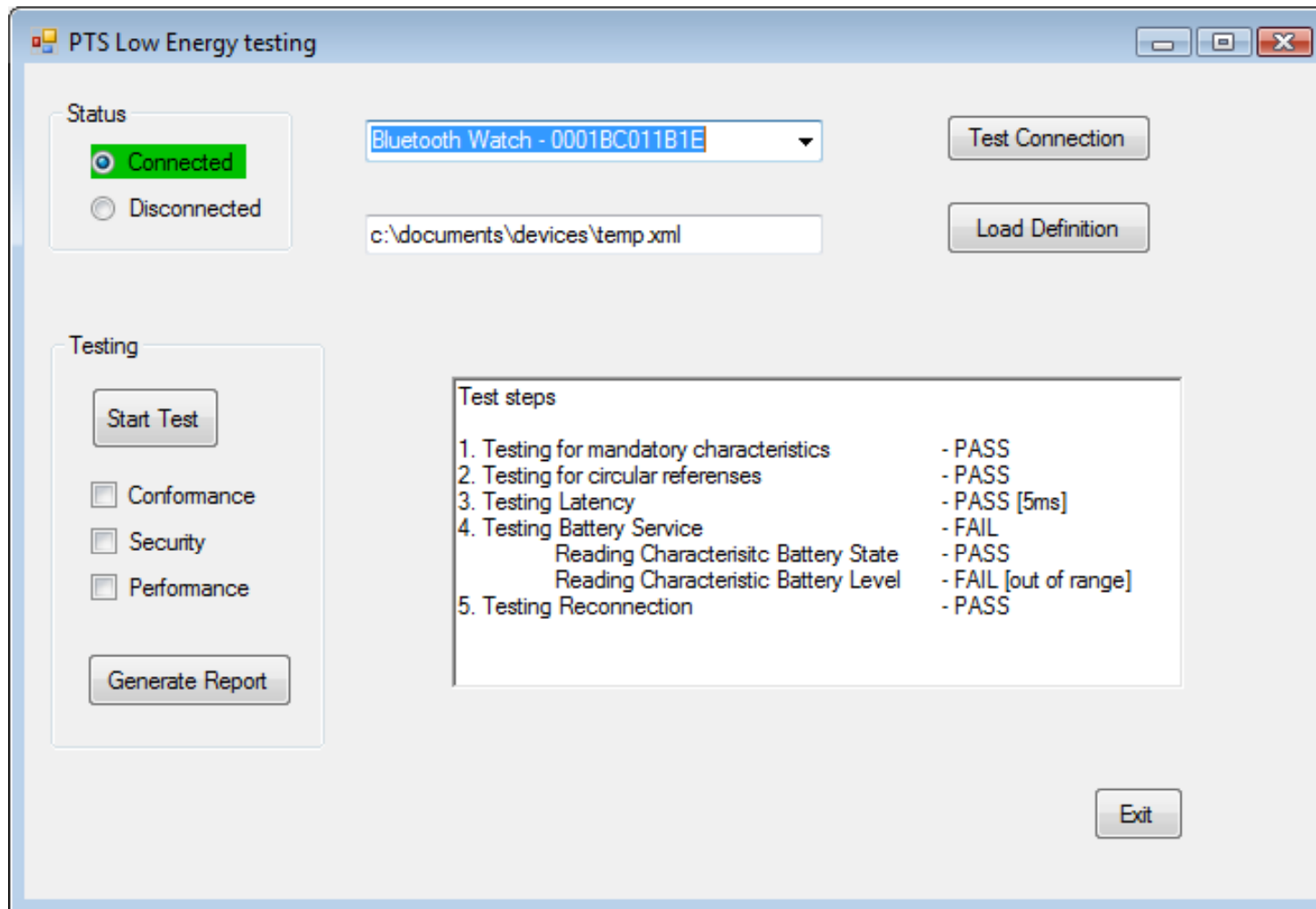
- Enable existing characteristics and services to be reused and configured
- Allow new characteristics and services to be defined and configured
- Export XML describing profile

## Device definition authoring tool

- Enable profiles to be selected and configured for the device
- Exports xml schema for the device
- Exports sample device data structure for the device

## Live attribute browser in PTS

# LOW ENERGY PROFILE TESTING TOOLS



# RECENT UPDATES LOW ENERGY

## Low Energy Beta test suites

- L2CAP
- SM (not released)
- GAP (not released)
- GATT Testing approach



## ACTIVITIES LOW ENERGY

L2CAP completed but need updates for spec changes

GAP test suite - May

SM test suite - May

GATT Testing (first version) - July

H2 – LE higher layer specs





## PROBLEMS AND RISKS

Test Specifications is changing

Features not supported in stack and hardware

No products available for testing

PTS Low Energy hardware availability



# PTS HARDWARE

## Temporary USB based solution

- Ready this summer
- Limited samples available

A permanent USB dongle will come later



# SUMMARY



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