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1 General principles

1.1 Implementation Under Test (IUT) identification

Using the Bluetooth SIG qualification tool, the implementer is expected to declare details about what will be implemented.

1.2 Enforcement of inter-layer dependencies

This ICS includes one or more tables with inter-layer dependencies (ILDs). ILDs are used for specification requirements that are dependent on other supporting specifications. ILDs can refer to an individual ICS item in a separate layer (individual ILD), or it can refer to the full layer (full-layer ILD).

ILDs residing in an X2Core layer will be enforced from the Bluetooth SIG qualification tool in the following conditions, depending on where the referred ILD is residing:

Referred ILD resides in	Individual ILD	Full-layer ILD
Controller layer	Core-Complete configuration, or Referred layer is supported	N/A
Lower HCI layer	HCI is supported	N/A
Upper HCI layer	Core-Host configuration, or UHCI is supported	N/A
Host layer	Core-Host configuration, or Core-Complete configuration, or Referred layer is supported	N/A
X2Core layer	Core-Host configuration, or Core-Complete configuration, or Referred layer is supported	Core-Host configuration, or Core-Complete configuration

Table 1.1: Enforcement of an ILD within the Bluetooth SIG qualification tool

2 ICS declarations

2.1 Versions

Table 0: X.Y Versions

Item	Version	Reference	Status
1	MCAP v1.0	[1]	M

2.2 Core Configuration

Table 0a: Core Configuration Requirements

Item	Core Configuration	Reference	Status
1	Protocol supported over BR/EDR	[1] 3.4	C.1, C.3
2	Protocol supported over LE	[1] 3.4	C.2

C.1: Excluded for this Protocol IF CORE 41/2 “LE Core Configuration” OR CORE 40/1 “Core-Controller”.

C.2: Excluded for this Protocol.

C.3: Mandatory for this Protocol.

2.3 Protocols and Roles

Table 1a: Protocol Requirements

Item	Protocol	Reference	Status
1	Standard Op Codes	[1] 3, 4	C.1
2	Clock Synchronization Protocol Op Codes	[1] 5	C.1

C.1: Mandatory to support at least one.

Table 1: Role Requirements

Item	Role	Reference	Status
1	Source	[1] 3.4	C.1
2	Sink	[1] 3.4	C.1
3	Sync-Slave	[1] 5.1.3.1	C.2
4	Sync-Master	[1] 5.1.3.2	C.3

C.1: Mandatory to support at least one IF MCAP 1a/1 “Standard Op Codes”, otherwise Excluded.

C.2: Mandatory IF MCAP 1a/2 “Clock Synchronization Protocol Op Codes”, otherwise Excluded.

C.3: Optional IF MCAP 1a/2 “Clock Synchronization Protocol Op Codes”, otherwise Excluded.

2.4 Source Role

Table 2: No longer used

Table 3: Connection Management – Source*Prerequisite: MCAP 1/1 “Source”*

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
1	No longer used	N/A	N/A
2	Initiate creation of Control and Data Channels	[1] 4.3	C.1
3	Accept creation of Control and Data Channels	[1] 4.3	C.1
4	Initiate Disconnection of MCL	[1] 4.3	M
5	Accept Disconnection of MCL	[1] 4.3	M
6	Initiate Disconnection of MDL	[1] 4.3	M
7	Accept Disconnection of MDL	[1] 4.3	M
8	Initiate Reconnection of MDL	[1] 4.3	O
9	Accept Reconnection of MDL	[1] 4.3	C.2
10	Initiate Deletion of MDL	[1] 4.3	O
11	Accept Deletion of MDL	[1] 4.3	M
12	Initiate Delete of All MDLs using 0xFFFF	[1] 4.3	O
13	Accept Delete of All MDLs using 0xFFFF	[1] 4.3	M
14	Send MDL Abort request	[1] 4.3	O
15	Accept MDL Abort request	[1] 4.3	M

C.1: Mandatory to support at least one.

C.2: Mandatory IF MCAP 3/3 “Accept creation of Control and Data Channels”, otherwise Excluded.

2.5 Sink Role

Table 4: No longer used**Table 5: Connection Management – Sink***Prerequisite: MCAP 1/2 “Sink”*

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
1	No longer used	N/A	N/A
2	Initiate creation of Control and Data Channels	[1] 4.3	M
3	Accept creation of Control and Data Channels	[1] 4.3	M
4	Initiate Disconnection of MCL	[1] 4.3	M
5	Accept Disconnection of MCL	[1] 4.3	M
6	Initiate Disconnection of MDL	[1] 4.3	M
7	Accept Disconnection of MDL	[1] 4.3	M
8	Initiate Reconnection of MDL	[1] 4.3	O
9	Accept Reconnection of MDL	[1] 4.3	M
10	Initiate Deletion of MDL	[1] 4.3	O
11	Accept Deletion of MDL	[1] 4.3	M
12	Initiate Delete of All MDLs using 0xFFFF	[1] 4.3	O
13	Accept Delete of All MDLs using 0xFFFF	[1] 4.3	M



Item	Capability	Reference	Status
14	Send MDL Abort request	[1] 4.3	O
15	Accept MDL Abort request	[1] 4.3	M

2.6 Sync-Slave Role

Table 6: Clock Synchronization Features – Sync-Slave

Prerequisite: MCAP 1/3 “Sync-Slave”

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
1	Accept MD_SYNC_CAP_REQ and MD_SYNC_SET_REQ and Initiate MD_SYNC_INFO_IND	[1] 5.4	M
2	No longer used	N/A	N/A
3	Multiple simultaneous MCLs with CSP	[1] 5.3	O
4	Access Bluetooth Clock	[1] 5.1.1	O

2.7 Sync-Master Role

Table 7: Clock Synchronization Features – Sync-Master

Prerequisite: MCAP 1/4 “Sync-Master”

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
1	No longer used	N/A	N/A
2	Initiate MD_SYNC_CAP_REQ and MD_SYNC_SET_REQ and Accept MD_SYNC_INFO_IND	[1] 5.4	M
3	Multiple simultaneous MCLs with CSP	[1] 5.3	O
4	Access Bluetooth Clock	[1] 5.1.1	O

2.8 L2CAP requirements

Table 8: L2CAP Requirements

Item	Capability	Reference	Status	Inter-Layer Dependency
1	Logical Link Control and Adaptation Protocol (L2CAP)	[1] 2	M	[2] L2CAP

3 References

- [1] Multi-Channel Adaptation Protocol (MCAP), Version 1.0
- [2] ICS Proforma for Logical Link Control and Adaptation Protocol (L2CAP)

4 Revision history and acknowledgments

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1	1.0.1	2011-07-21	Prepare for publication.
	1.0.2r0	2011-11-16	TSE 3336 per Proposed Change TSE 3326: Change Prerequisite for Table 1a.
2	1.0.2	2012-03-30	Prepare for publication.
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