



# Maintenance Philosophy

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# Agenda



- Brainstorm to determine what criteria will be used to consistently dispose of maintenance requests
  - what is an error versus a feature request



# Definition of an Error



- An error is:
  - when the specifications are not aligned with the expected (by the working group) behavior of the function
  - two (or more) parts of the standard, specifying a particular function are contradictory



# Criteria for “fixing” an error



- An error can be disposed of in the following ways:
  - fixed at the next maintenance amendment
  - deferred until a full revision
- The following criteria shall be considered when evaluating whether to fix an error:
  - impact to existing implementation HW
  - impact to existing implementation SW
  - compatibility / interoperability / impact of the change with existing implementations / networks
  - impact to the document (how big is the change)
  - relative effort of making the change compared to the impact of not making the change