P802.1CQ/D0.6 Preview

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Summary

- P802.1CQ/D0.5 was reviewed in TG Ballot.
- Comment resolution was completed in November.
 - Address Blocks were introduced for address claiming
- In March, Editor presented "Block Address Registration and Claiming (BARC)"
 - cq-marks-BARC-0321-v00.pdf
 - address blocks used for registrar-managed addresses as well
 - Address Registration and Claiming (ARC)
 - address blocks, and also claiming address ranges using MAAP
 - presented also to IEEE 1722 Working Group
- Main issues raised in March concerned VLAN operation
- This contribution previews P802.1CQ/D0.6
 - refinements and details since March presentation
 - discussion on improved VLAN support

BARC assigns MAC Addresses in Address Blocks

- 1) Address Blocks (ABs) are sets of local addresses.
- 2) An AB includes equal-sized unicast and multicast address subblocks.
- 3) No BARC address falls within more than one AB.
- 4) An Address Block Designation (ABD) is a CABA or a RABI.
- 5) Claimable AB Address (CABA) is claimable by a Claimant without using a Registrar.
 - identifies Claimable Address Blocks (CABs) holding Claimable Addresses (CAs)
 - CABA is a multicast MAC address, not in any AB, and used as a DA.
- 6) RABI
 - identifies a Registrable Address Block (RAB) holding Registrable Addresses (RAs)
 - RABIs are held in the inventory of a Registrar for assignment
 - may be assigned to Claimants
 - may be claimed by Registrants
 - more detail in a future presentation
- 7) A large set of Temporary Unicast Addresses (TUAs) is specified
 - useful for initial discovery by Claimant lacking a unicast address

MAC Address Categorization

determinable via inspection:	Expanded name	I/G	indicates, by inspection
CA	claimable address, in claimable address block (CAB)	U,M	CABA, CABA type, CAB (including all other CAs in CAB)
CABA	CAB address	Μ	CABA type, CAB
RA	registrable address, in registrable address block (RAB)	U,M	ABI, ABI type, all other RAs in RAB
TUA	temporary unicast address	U	note: ~6.9E10 to choose among

BARC MAC Address Structure

N11	r i j k	for registrable addresses, r=1; for claimable addresses, r=0					
N10	1 1 1 m	m is the usual multicast (I/G) bit; 111 is local "SAI" range per IEEE Std 802c					
N9		0000 for claimable addresses					
N8		• address	s blo	ck includ	es subblocks	s of	
N7	- 16 ^{jk} claimable addresses, or						
N6	 I 6ⁿ registrable addresses (or aggregated into larger blocks) for claimable addresses, <i>i</i> distinguishes 						
N5	 Claimable Addresses (CAs) from CABAs 						
N6	- identifiers that are also used as addresses						
N5							
N2			r	i	jk	m	
	1	RA	1	1 ABI Type		I/G	
		CA	0	1	CABA Type	I/G	
NO		CABA 0 0 CABA Type 1					
12 nibbles	-	TUA	0	0	0	0	

per 48-bit address

CABA and CA, CABA Type 0-3

CABA	Гуре 0	CABA Type 1		CABA Ty	CABA Type 2		Гуре З
CABA	CAB	CABA	CAB	CABA	CAB	CABA	CAB
0000	0 1 0 0	0 0 0 1	0 1 0 1	0 0 1 0	0 1 1 0	0 0 1 1	0 1 1 1
1 1 1 1	1 1 1 *	1 1 1 1	1 1 1 *	1 1 1 1	1 1 1 *	1 1 1 1	1 1 1 *
0 0 0 0	0000	0 0 0 0	0000	0000	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0
X8	X8	X8	X8	X8	X8	X8	X8
X7	X7	X7	X7	X7	X7	X7	X7
X6	X6	X6	X6	X6	X6	X6	X6
X5	X5	X5	X5	X5	X5	X5	X5
X4	X4	X4	X4	X4	X4	X4	X4
X3	X3	X3	X3	X3	X3	X3	X3
X2	X2	X2	X2	X2	X2	0	*
X1	X1	X1	X1	0	*	0	*
X0	X0	0	*	0	*	0	*

2 contiguous subblocks per CABA (one unicast, one multicast)

6.9E10 Type 0 CABAs
1 CA/subblock

4.3E9 Type 1 CABAs
16 CAs/subblock

• 2.7E8 Type 2 CABAs • 256 CA/subblock

1.7E7 Type 3 CABAs4096 CAs/subblock



Registrar

- Claimant need not be aware of Registrar when initiating a claim.
- Registrar maintains an inventory of RABIs.
 - a protocol specifies how Registrars acquire RABIs.
 - set of RABs is disjoint from the set of CABs
 - AB is either claimable (CAB) or registrable (RAB); not both
- Registrar listens for all messages to a CABA.
 - r=0, i=0, m=1, i.e. DA begins 00**-1111
 - [MMRP NumberOfValues field is 13 bits]
- Registrar can respond to a DISCOVER with a proposal of a RABI in its inventory.
 - The proposal can also defend the DISCOVER's CABA.
 - Registrar confirms registration of request.

Operation with Registrars





BARC Design

- A BARC architecture follows, with details including state machines.
 - additional details in Appendix
- BARC (Block Address Registration and Claiming) is put into the broader context of Address Registration and Claiming (ARC), which supports both:
 - address blocks (ABs), identified by Address Block Identifiers (ABIs)
 - address ranges (ARs), excluding addresses specified by BARC
- ARC is the general protocol
 - BARC handles ABI Registration and CABA Claiming
 - existing MAAP handles AR Claiming

ARC Architecture – ARC Claimant



BARCPDU Summary

field name	purpose	content	
DA	dest addresss	DA	
SA	source address		
E	Ethertype	[tbd; could be 22F0 (MAAP Ethertype)]	
t	subtype	[tbd, per 1722 WG; see IEEE 1722 Table 6]	
S1	State	D (Discover), C (Claimed), V (Vacant), R (Registered), pr (preregistration), A (address), MD, MC, MV, MX, N(null)	
l1	identifier	48-bit address or ABI	
S2	State	P (proposed), A (address), N (null)	
12	identifier	48-bit address or ABI	
Т	token	length tbd	

AVTPDU Summary

field name	purpose	content	
DA dest addresss		91:E0:F0:00:FF:00 for MAAP multicast	
E	Ethertype	22F0 (MAAP Ethertype)	
t	subtype	FE per IEEE 1722 Table 6	



ABD Claimant/Registrar Procedure



RABI Registration



ABD Claimant: ABD State Machine



ARC Claimant Application Process: AddA



AR Claimant Procedure



BARC Registrar: AVTPDU Processor



AR State Transition Table

	State					
Event	VACANT (V)	DISCOVERY (D)	ACQUIRED (A)			
Add(sa)!	sMAAP(Begin(AR,sa)!) DISCOVERY					
rMAAP(AR:Defend)!		Outcome(A,AR) ACQUIRED				
rMAAP(AR:Initial)!		Outcome(F,AR) VACANT	Outcome(X)[AR] VACANT			

rMAAP(AR:State!) invokes an event at the state machine when the MAAP state changes to State

sMAAP(Action!) invokes Action! event at MAAP state machine

BARC Architecture – Registrar



ingress MAC address filter accepts BARCPDUs addressed to any CABA and MAAP multicast address for AVTPDUs



Registrar: RABI State Machine



VLANs

• All address assignments are specific to the VLAN (or VLANs) in which messaging is communicated and under which the assignment was completed.

• Usage of any address may need to be limited to the VLAN or VLANs under which it was obtained.

• Due to the possibility that the same unicast address may be assigned in different VLANs, Independent VLAN Learning (IVL) may be needed in bridges, per IEEE Std 802.1Q Annex F (F.1.2).

- This requirement could be relaxed in some cases
- e.g. when assigned unicast addresses are declared via MMRP (instead of learning)
- This issue is common to claiming protocols generally.
- Some approaches follow.



IEEE Std 802-2014 says "Local MAC addresses need to be unique on a LAN or bridged LAN unless the bridges support VLANs with independent learning."

With IVL, each VLAN has an independent forwarding table. -but IVL is not always possible

BARC claiming on each VLAN is independent

a duplicate address may occur in more than one VLAN; that is not harmful if managed carefully

A claimant with multiple VLANs needs to claim in each VLAN. Claimed address is usable only in claimed VLAN: Claimant needs to bind address to VLAN For convenience, Claimant may claim the same address in each of its VLANs -Still, requires multiple claim messages and multiple forwarding table entries. -Device needing many VLANs should consider an EUI



With SVL, VLANs share a forwarding table.

BARC claiming on each VLAN is independent an address could become a duplicate, existing in more than one VLAN forwarding table is limited to one entry per address, so duplication is catastrophic.

To prevent duplication, BARC messaging must be carried across VLAN boundaries. -extra benefit: single address claim is valid over multiple VLANs

To carry messages across VLAN boundaries, a BARC forwarder could be introduced. -receives BARC messages on all VLANs -forwards BARC multicast to all VLANs (retaining originating source address) -forwards any BARC claim response to the claimant at the originating VLAN



Network is configured with Registrar on all active VLANs on which BARC is used.

BARC claim from any VLAN is delivered to Registrar. -Offer delivered on Claimant's VLAN

Registrar ensures that registered address is unique across all its VLANs. -SVL or IVL will work



SVL is used for Asymmetric VLAN (IEEE Std 802.1Q Annex F.1.3)

Registrar assigned address to be unique across all VLANs available to the Registrar.

Summary

- Claimants operate with or without Registrars.
- Multiple registrars are supported, holding claims of disjoint RABIs.
- The block discretization provides:
 - a vast set of addresses to a LAN
 - a large set of temporary unicast addresses
 - operational efficiency and simplicity
 - both unicast and multicast addresses to Claimant
 - unicast and multicast subblocks share the same range, except for the I/G bit
 - could be exploited
 - devices needing both unicast and multicast addresses need make only one claim
- Could integrate with MMRP to limit propagation and eliminate learning of unicast AB content.
 - MMRP needs to efficiently handle address ranges
 - BARP could be specified as alternative MRP application
 - (e.g. would understand an ABD)