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Section 6 comments from Ballot on Draft Standard D2 (Vic Hayes, Chair, AT&T WCND)

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1	1.X, 2.X, 3.X 4.X, 5.X, 6.X 7.X 8.X	BD	E	N	My editorial comments are contained in the files D2lb_edx.doc (where x is the relevant major section number) which were submitted along with this ballot response. All comments in these files are purely 100% editorial in nature (incorrect fonts, extra blank lines, misformatting etc). Any change for which there was any question in my mind that anyone might think it other than editorial, I have included as separate comment in this table.	Doc D2 is of Insufficient quality. 1) There are numerous editorial errors in the D2 draft which need to be corrected before the draft can be forwarded for sponsor ballot. The editorial errors range from incorrect fonts in the middle of sentences & page formatting to a dire need to have a spelling check run on the document. 2) While no single item is enough to prevent forwarding of the draft, in aggregate they impact the draft quality to such an extent that it would be embarrassing to forward it in this state. I have forwarded to the editors a marked up copy of the draft showing the editorial errors I noticed during review (this was at the editors request, for various obscure reasons a hard copy was requested over an electronic copy as being easier to deal with in this instance). 3) Additionally all the section X.X, Y.Y etc place holder in the text need to be found and changed to correct section references.	The submitted file was reiewed and editorial changes amde.
2	6	FMi	Е		correct subsection references in the introductory paragraph	This paragraph was never updated to reflect the removal of 6.4 when the WEP description was moved into the security chapter (5).	Accept

doc.: IEEE P802.11-96/18-06 January 1996 **Corrected Text/Comment** Rationale **Disposition/Rebuttal** Section Cmnt Part Seq. vour # number initype of tials Е, е, NO T.t vote Delete reference to "6.4" since that stuff has moved to Ε Number soup. Accept 3 6. ZJ Ν clause 5. Insert reference to 6.1 (which I am proposing we move 4.4 to). Delete reference to 6.7 (which I am proposing we move to an annex). Correct numbering throughout the paragraph. 3rd para, 5th sent, spelling of "classes" HC spelling error Accept 4 6.1 е I would hope that the MAC State machine GE Remove following sentence... 5 6.1 e Accept The MAC State Machine shall not interfer can run without interfering with with time-bounded nor contention free itself....although simulation might prove this not so. I believe what this is trying to say is communications... that the async MAC state machine will respect the contention free period even though a node doesn't support the option. 6 6.1 BTh in 1st paragraph correct... Accept е typo time bounded service classes. Consistency, especially with the current Incorporate changes from Clause 6 of document 95-222, 7 6.1 FMi N Accept t which updates the MAC architecture description, figure reference model, the MAC State defer Machines, and the removal of the 6-1, and several of the 6.1 x subsections to match the current state of the MAC and current MAC data service scattered vestiges of connection services and time-bounded services definitions. (without removing the mechanisms to support connections and TBS in the future). 1st para, 5th sent, spelling of "efficient" HC spelling Accept 8 6.1.2 e 2nd para, 3rd sent, missing space "stations_are" HC spelling Accept 9 6.1.2 e 3rd para, 2nd sent. missing spaces "when the" and spelling Accept 10 6.1.2 HC е "stations are" Accept 11 6.1.2 HC e 3rd para, last sent, missing space "contention_for" spelling replace sepcified with specified GE Accept 12 6.1.2 e Spelling someone has a problem space bar on in 2nd paragraph correct... Accept 13 6.1.2 BTh e smaller than the IFS for data... their computer in the 3rd paragraph correct... at a time when the medium is free, by starting its transmission before the other stations are allowed...so as to eliminate contention for a limited... 14 6.1.2 MB second paragraph, second sentence. add. ... different Accept е

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					values of the Inter Frame Spacing (IFS)				
15	6.1.2	ws	е		first paragraph - "effiecent"		spelling		Accept
16	6.1.2	WS	e		3rd paragraph - 'contentionfor'	>	typo		Accept
17	6.1.2	GE	Τ	X	Add the following text to the first paragraph. For some physical layers, such as FHSS and DS, addition coordination via a wired or wireless structure may not be allowed by regulatory agencies. In addition, adjacent BSSs may not ever be coordinated due to different ownerships and adminstrations, for example, two adjacent but indepent offices, eliminating the usefulness of this function for these two PMDs	Everyone is customers p conformance viewpoint, a vierwpoint, function in t the PAR but implementat to hide its de	worried about how WLAN erceive this standard from a e viewpoint, from a throughput and from a performance etc. But when we have a the standard that is required by technically is a poor tion, we can easily find wording efficiencies.	Decline This ser well end express sentance first par already. suggest strongly that coo of overl be ache	ed: ntiment is ough ed by last e of the ragraph . The ed text too v implies ordination .ap cannot ived
18	6.1.2 6.1.4	ZJ	e		Replace "defined as" with "called"	,	Better usage of the languag	ge	Accept
19	6.1.4	HC	Е		2nd para, 3rd sent: It is possible than any fragment may contain a smaller than aFragment Threshold Pay	frame body load.	Cannot findan "aFragment_Pay anywhere	/load"	Accept
20	6.1.4		E		Revise Second sentence Fragmentation creates MPDUs smaller than size to increase reliablity of successful transm MSDU over a given PHY"Fragmentation MPDU's smaller than the MSDU size to successful transmission of the MSDU in c channel characteristics limit transmission <u>for longer frames</u> ".	the MSDU ission of the <u>creates</u> provide ases where reliability	This is a channel issue, no limitation of a "given PHY	ta Y"	Accept
21	6.1.4	HC	t	N	1st para, 2nd sent replace with: Fragmentation creates MPDUs smaller than size to increase <u>probability</u> reliability of su transmission of the MSDU over a given OR Fragmentation creates MPDUs smaller than t	the MSDU ccessful PHY. the MSDU	Because I beleive one of these i the author meant to say.	s what	Accept: the second choice

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22	614	DTL		NI	size to increase reliability, by increasing the of successful transmission of the MSDU over PHY.	probability er a given	Loon't find a Exagment Devila	od in		Accept
22	0.1.4	BIU	t	IN	aFragment_ Payload Threshold		chapter 8 and believe that the na changed to Fragment_Thresh	ime was nold.		Ассері
23 defe r	6.1.4 6.4	DW	Т	Y	Implement the changes described in 95/200 exception of the deletion of the second paragraph. Section 6.1.4 should include a small chan second to last sentence is to be delet	6, with the to last nge. The ted.	The optimization of fragment near the end of a Dwell bound imposing too much comple	length dary is xity.	Accept - v requested group vo	without the change here because MAC te accepted whole locument.
24	6.1.4 6.2.6.5 6.2.6.6 6.4	ZJ	t		Renumber figures so that the first fragment is "0", the next is fragment "1" and so for	s fragment orth	Inconsistent with definition of find number field in 4.1.2.5.2	ragment		Accept.
25	6.1.5	EG	e		"pseudo"		misspelled as "psuedo"	P		Accept
26	6.1.5	DW	E		delete the last sentence about Connection-I the two paragraphs.	D I each of			_	Accept
27	6.1.5 6.7.6.2	DW	Е		There is a mismatch between this section MAC State Machines in section 6.7	n and the 7.6.2	This section translates the re- into two different Tx_data_re Tx-unitdata_req primitives, b the length and RTS_thresh	equest eq and ased on iold.		Accept
28	6.1.5	TT	e/t		Delete this section.		This section does not match in a the new state machines. I'm not what should go in here but I'm o sure its not what's there. (Mayb don't understand what it's trying	ny way sure quite e I just g to say)	- removed to refered to state machi	Accept technical details and relevant section in nes. As suggested by 95/222.
29	6.1.5	GE	t		MA_DATA.request sb MA_UNITDATA.request Add LENGTH parameter to MAC Data Services (3.2) to be consistent with the service requirements of 6.1.5.	Not consists section or th 3.2, needs to Passing a M with a CRC knows what CRC is bad I can not un unless a nor	ent with service primitives. This ne MAC Data Service section o be re-written to be consistent. IA_UNITDATA.ind to the LLC _error is meaningless. Who c any of the parameters are if the . Format errors are possible, but derstand how this would happen n-conforming unit was	Accept: by resp comme	resolved onse to nt 28	

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					developed.		
30	6.1.5	SA	t	N	The pseudo-code provided here seems to have no purpose and is not correct (length(MSDU) has no relationship to RTS_threshold). I think it should be deleted.		Accept: resolved by response to comment 28
31	6.1.5	BD	T	N	Make section 3 and 6 consistent in terminology. Connections incomplete problem	 The use of MA_DATA.request and MA_DATA.inidcation appears inconsistent with section 3 where the terms MA_UNITDATA.request and MA_UNITDATA.indication are used. this section refers to connection ID which is not defined and is not one of the params defined to the data .request or .indicate in sec 3. Either correct or remove connection ID. 	Accept: resolved by response to comment 28
32	6.2	HC	e		4th para, last sent, speeling: destiniations	spelling	Accept: resolved by response to comments 38 & 39
33	6.2	HC	E		5th para, 1st sent: It- <u>The RTS/CTS mechanism</u> can also be viewed as a Collision Detection mechanism.	Should explain what "it" is.	Accept: resolved by response to comments 38 & 39
34	6.2	НС	e		para 10: Although a station can be configured not to <u>use the</u> initiate RTS/CTS <u>mechanism for transmission of datato</u> transmit its-frames, every station shall <u>userespond to</u> the duration information in the RTS/CTS frames to update its virtual Carrier Sense mechanism, and <u>shall sendrespond</u> with a proper-CTS frame in response to <u>receipt of an</u> addressed RTS frame.	poorly written	Accept: resolved by response to comments 38 & 39
35	6.2	BSi	e		End of 4th paragraph. Replace with 'When multiple destinations are addressed by broadcast/multicast frames, then this mechanism is not used' with 'When multiple destinations are addressed by broadcast/multicast frames, then the RTS/CTS mechanism is not used'	Clarity - not clear whether mechanism refers to the duration field or the RTS/CTS.	Accept: resolved by response to comments 38 & 39
36	6.2	_MB	E		The description of the Distributed Coordination		Accent: resolved by response to

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					Function is not very readable.		comments 38 & 39
37	6.2	TT	e		Delete paragraph 7: 'However in situations'	This paragraph is repeated in the next	Accept: resolved by response to
						one.	comments 38 & 39
					The second sentence of paragraph 6 is not complete.	I'm not sure what the point this	
						sentence is trying to make. If the	1
						editors know they should add	
						appropriate text.	
38	6.2	BTh	E	N	after "Carrier Sense shall be performed both through	This section has been hacked so many	Accept with minor editorial
					physical and virtual mechanisms." replace the existing	times it doesn't contain sentences. I	changes
					text in the next 5 paragraphs with	tried to rewrite it without changing the	
					The virtual Carrier Sense mechanism is achieved by	meaning.	
					distributing reservation information announcing the	_	
					impending use of the medium. The exchange of RTS and		
					CTS frames prior to the actual data frame is one means of		
					distribution of this medium reservation information. The		
				1	RTS and CTS frames contain a duration field that defines		
					the period of time that the medium is to be reserved to		
				1	transmit the actual data frame and the returning ACK		
					frame. All stations within the reception range of either the		
					originating station (which transmits the RTS) or the		-
					destination station (which transmits the CTS) will learn of		
				1	the medium reservation. Thus a station can be "hidden"		
					from the originating station and still know about the		
					impending use of the medium to transmit a data frame.		
					Another means of distributing the medium reservation		
					information is the duration field in the data frame itself.		
					This field gives the time that the medium is reserved,		
					which is through the end of the ACK.		
					The DTS/CTS exchange also performs a type of fact		
					collision detection and transmission both check. If the		
					roturn CTS is not detected by the STA originating the		
					DTS the originating STA can start the process suce (after		
					K 15, the originating 51A can start the process over (after		
					observing the other medium use rules) more quickly than		
					If the long data frame had been transmitted and a return		
					ACK trame had not been detected.		

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39	6.2	BTh	E	N	Another advantage of the RTS/CTS mechanism occurs where multiple BSA's utilizing the same channel overlap. The medium reservation mechanism works across the BSA boundaries. The RTS/CTS mechanism can also improve operation in a typical situation where all STAs can hear the AP but not all other STAs in the BSA. The RTS/CTS mechanism can not be used for broadcast and multicast frames because there are multiple destinations. This mechanism need not be used for every data frame transmission. Because the additional RTS and CTS frames add overhead inefficiency, the mechanism is not always justified, especially for short data frames. after the first 5 paragraphs after "Carrier Sense shall be performed both through physical and virtual mechanisms." replace the existing text in the next 3 paragraphs with The use of the RTS/CTS mechanism by the originating STA is controled by the RTS_Threshold attribute. The values are always, never, or only for frames longer than the specified payload length. A STA configured not to initiate the RTS/CTS mechanism must still update its Virtual Carrier Sense mechanism with the duration information contained in an RTS or CTS frame, and must always repond to an RTS addressed to it with a CTS. The medium access protocol allows for stations to support different sets of data rates. All STAs must receive all the Basic Rate Set and transmit at one or more of the Basic Rate Set data rates. To support the proper operation of the RTS/CTS and the Virtual Carrier Sense mechanism, all STAs must be able to detect the RTS and CTS frames. For this reason the RTS and CTS frames must be transmitted at one of these mandatory rates.	This section has been hacked so many times it doesn't contain sentences. I tried to rewrite it without changing the meaning.	Accept with minor changes	

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40	6.2	НС	t	N	Note that this means that the duration information in the data frames can not always be detected because the data frames may not be transmitted at one of the Basic Rates. Thus the Virtual Carrier Sense mechanism is not reliable in multirate environments where RTS/CTS is not used. 4th para, 2nd sent: For stations & all AP's that do not initiate anTo facilitate the vitual carrier sence mechanism when data is exchanged without the preceding RTS/CTS sequence, the duration information is also available in all data frames.	APs are stations, the "stations & all Aps" clause introduced confusion as to whether all APs did not initiate RTS/CTS. The duration information in the data frame is more for everyone else than it is for those that initiated the	Accept: resolved by response to comments 38 & 39
41	6.2	нс	t	N	4th para, 4th sent: This information is distributed to all stations within detection range of both the transmittering and the receivering station, because every station is required to process the duration information of all frames, regardless of whether or not a station is the intended frame recipient. This means that even stations which may be "hidden" from the receiving or transmiting station are capable of correctly updating their virtual carrier sense information. so also to stations that are possibly "hidden" from the transmitter but not from the receiver.	data, which is what the original sentance said. The sentance implied that the information was directly distributed to all other stations, rather than automatically by the use of the duration information sent by the receiving and transmitting stations. It is also very important to make sure that potential implementer know that their receivers must be promiscusous at all times for the virtual carrier sense mechanism to work to its fullest extent	Accept: resolved by response comments 38 & 39
42	6.2	НС	t	N	para 6-9: However the addition of these frames will result in extra overhead, which impacts short data frames. Also since all stations will likely be able to hear traffic from the AP but may not hear the traffic from all stations within a BSA. However the addition of these frames will result in extra overhead, which impacts short data frames. Also since all stations will likely be able to hear traffic from the AP but may not hear the traffic from all stations within a BSA.	These paragraphs did a poor job of saying what they intended. I made this a technical comment because I wanted my suggetsed text did not change the original intent of the paragraphs.	Accept: resolved by response to comments 38 & 39

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					This medium reservation mechanism also works accross the BSS boundary where multiple BSS's utilizing the same channel overlap. The stations within each BSS adhere to the virtual carrier sense mechanism information in all frames, regardless of in which BSS they originated. However, the overhead resulting from the addition of the RTS/CTS exchange to data transfer can be significant burden to the transfer time of short data frames. Also, as it is likely that all stations within a BSS will be able to hear traffic from the AP, RTS/CTS use on traffic outgoingfrom an AP may be an un-necessary overhead. For these reasons, the use of RTS/CTS is controllable. The use of the RTS/CTS mechanism is under control of RTS_Threshold attribute. However in situations where multiple BSS's utilizing the same channel do overlap, then the medium reservation mechanism will work accross the BSS boundaries, when RTS/CTS is also used for all traffic. This parameter is a manageable object and can be set on a per station basis. This mechanism allows stations to be configured to use RTS/CTS always, never, or only on frames longer than a specified payload. This parameter is a manageable object and can be set on a per station basis. This machanism allows stations to be configured to use RTS/CTS either always, never or only on frames longer then a specified payload.			
43	6.2	SA	t	N	The last sentence in this section "This set of restrictions will assure that the Virtual Carrier Sense Mechanism described above will still work on multiple rate environments" needs to be deleted.		Accept: resolved by accepting comments 38 & 39	
44	6.2	BD	Т	N	The virtual Carrier Sense mechanism is achieved by distributing medium busy reservation information through an exchange of special RTS and CTS (medium reservation) (<u>RTS and CTS</u>) frames prior to the actual data frame. For stations and & all AP's that do not initiate	I believe that the changes shown at left are really editorial in nature, however I found the text difficult enough to read that I was not positive of the intent of several	Accept: resolved by accepting comments 38 & 39	

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				74	<u>minimumat leastof</u>) one of these rates. All Multicast, Broadcast and Control frames (RTS, CTS and ACK) <u>shall</u> <u>be are always</u> transmitted at one of th <u>eis</u> mandatory <u>Basic</u> <u>R</u> Fates. Th <u>eseis set of</u> restrictions will assure that the Virtual Carrier Sense Mechanism described above will still work inop multiple rate environments		
45	6.2 6.3	FMi	t	N	Incorporate changes from relevant sections of document 95–174.	Correct error in D2.0 updates — document 95–174 (remaining section 6 D1 ballot changes) was adopted at the July 1995 meeting, but problems merging revisions caused many of the changes, including several important figure updates, to be absent from D2.0.	resolved by accepting comments 38 & 39
46	6.2	ZJ	t	N	Rephrase second sentence ("Also, since all stations will	Not in English, and I don't know what	resolved by accepting comments

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					likely") in sixth paragraph		it is trying to say			38 & 39
47	6.2	ZJ	t	N	Add to the end of the seventh paragraph: "Th stations defer to ongoing transmissions regar transmitting station's BSSS, all stations wil medium fairly."	nat is, since dless of the l share the	It isn't clear what "across the boundaries" means in this ca	BSS ase.	resolved	by accepting comments 38 & 39
48	6.2	ZJ	Т	N	Rephrase fourth and last paragraphs to indic virtual carrier sense mechanism relies on h Duration field in the PLCP header	ate that the aving the	The last paragraph is simply no We need to have Duration infor in the PLCP header, since that only part of high-rate frames the stations are guaranteed to be a receive.	ot true. mation is the nat all ble to	resolved	by accepting comments 38 & 39
49	6.2	GE	Т	X	a) Remove RTS/CTS functionality or b) Approach Apple Computer for licensing agreement and develop strategy for implementing RTS/CTS in a manner where implementations are conformant and performance meets minimum goals.	The use of I IPR by App committee I guidelines r standards. I presented w the only res- matter. The Apple Com- agreement r guideline in A recent sul the advanta- of RTS/CTS hidden node packets. Th RTS/CTS p which show simulation of made assum preambles v ETSI Hyper ETSI perfor 802.11 which	RTS/CTS has been claimed as ble Computer, Inc. The 802.11 has not met any of IEEE egarding IPR claims in LAN Non-legal opinions have been which attempt to show prior art as olution mechanism for this IPR e committee has not approached puter to discuss licensing hor has it followed any IEEE exploring alternate technologies. bmission 1195182.doc discussed ges and disadvantages of the use S to reduce collisions due to es and long packets versus short his paper is the only study on resented to the 802.11 committee rs any quantitative results via of the value of it use. This paper aptions about slot times and which are more in line with the rLAN timing and not 802.11. trmance is much higher than ch will probably raise many of ons for packet size. etc. where	Declined MAC gr not to re RTS/CT as appro Apple g 802.11 I all comp informat has sent on the st already, times.	d - the roup voted emove CS. As far paching oes, has asked panies for tion and out letters ubject several	

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					performanc CTS is used CTS is not Apple's pate	e gains can be realized. When I to determine a collision and optional, the RTS/CTS IPR of ent is invoked.	
50	6.2.	FMa	Т	N	Last paragraph - mentions that "All Multicast, Broadcast and Control frames (RTS, CTS and ACK) are always transmitted at one of this mandatory rates" (i.e. of the basic rate set for a given PHY) - well, two of the PHYs have two basic rates in the basic rate set - so at which of these two rates will the RTC, CTS, etc be transmitted?		resolved by accepting comments 38 & 39
51	6.2.10	HC	E		change diaglog token to "Sequence Control field"	out of date text	Accept
52	6.2.10	BTh	e		change 2nd paragraph within DATAata and MANAGEMENT <u>anagement</u> frames change penultimate paragraph in e <u>E</u> thernet.	Style consistency please.	Accept
53	6.2.10	ws	e		paragraph 4 - "tuples" is this a word		Reject, yes it is a word
54	6.2.10	DW	E		The second paragraph still contains the term "Dialog Token" this is to be deleted.		Accept
55	6.2.10	DW	Τ		The size of the <source-address, sequence-number,<br="">fragment-number> tuples must be defined. For an AP it should be one tuple for each associated station. For a station it should be a defined minimum sufficient to allow simultaneous operation with a number of stations. A minimum of 6 should be adequate.</source-address,>		Reject - this is an implementation issue. It would be a bad implementation if the size was low, but we shouldn't mandate that. To be cosistant we will remove the hard number from the fragmentation section.
56	6.2.10.	FMa	e		Replace last paragraph of section with the following text: The ACK procedure is performed on DATA frames regardless of whether or not the received frame is determined to be a duplicate.	Text of last paragraph is non-causal as written: "The Destination STA shall perform the ACK procedure even if the frame is subsequently rejected due to duplicate filtering."	Accept - by removing the word "subsquenty" which the author agreed was sufficient.

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					Tx/Rx_Turnaround time)		remove medium delay def.
					[2] Following figure 6-13, remove the text which duplicates information in clause 10, which can be refered to now that the above change is made:		
					a frame on the medium.		
					The SIFS, and Slot_Time are defined in the MIB, and are fixed per PHY.		
					SIFS is based on: Rx_Delay + MAC_Delay-1 + Rx/Tx_Delay.		
					Slot_Time is based on: Rx/Tx_Delay + Medium_Delay + Rx_Delay + CCA_Delay + MAC_Delay 2		
					The PIFS and DIFS are derived by the following equations, as illustrated in figure 6-13.		
					PIFS = SIFS + Slot_Time		
					$DIFS = SIFS + 2 * Slot_Time$		
					The Medium_Delay component is fixed at 1 usec.		
61b	6.2.11	SA	t	N	The parameter Tx_SIFS specified in this section should be declared as a maximum.	As well a SIFS_min needs to be defined to prevent a responder from starting transmission too early to prevent its receiver from being able to synchronize to the received	Reject - We agree with the sentiment, but SIFs in no longer defined here, this comment should be re-submitted as a Clause 10 comment.
62	6.2.11	BTh	Т	N	The accumption in Figure 6.13 really belongs in the	The occurrentian of Figure (12.1	A
-	0.2.11	~	1	1	tevt-remove it from the figure	The assumption of Figure 6-13 doesn't	Accept - implemented by
						make any sense to me and is covered by	resolution to comment 61a

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					change the SIFS calculation line	the formula for SIFS.	
					SIFS is based on: Rx_RF_Delay + Rx_PLCP_Delay +	No such MIB variable as Rx_Delay;	
					MAC <u>Prc</u> Delay <hyphen>1</hyphen> +	section 10.1.4.11 says this means	
					Rx/Tx_ Delay Turnaround_Time.	Rx_RF_Delay + Rx_PLCP_Delay.	
	l				change the Slot_Time calculation line	No such thing as MAC_Delay-1;	
					Slot_Time is based on: Rx/Tx_ DelayTurnaround_Time +	section 10.1.4.11 says this is	
					MediumAir_Propagation_TimeDelay + Rx_Delay +	MAC_Prc_Delay.	
					CCA_ DelayAsmnt_Time + MAC_Prc_Delay	No such MIB variable as CCA_Delay;	
						section 10.1.4.4 says this means	
						CCA_Asmnt_Time.	
						No such variable as Rx/Tx_Delay;	
						section 10.1.4.4 says this means the	
						Rx/Tx_Turnaround_Time.	
						No such thing as Rx_Delay; I guess that	
						MAC_Prc_Delay is used in Slot Time	
						calculation. The other alternative is to	
						delete all of this and refer to the MIB	
						definitions in section 10.	
63	6.2.11	BTh	Т	N	Change the Medium Delay	The IR PHY only needs less than a 100	Accept - implemented by
					The Medium_Delay component is fixed at 1	nanosecond medium delay due to its	resolution to comment 61a
					umicrosecond for FH and DS PHYs and at 100	designed range. It is very unfair to	
					nanoseconds for IR PHY.	cause the IR efficiency to degrade for	
						the convenience of the other PHYs.	
64	6.2.11	ZJ	t	N	Change second paragraph to read "All timings are	Need to specify when an interval ends	Almost accept: the intend is to
					referenced from the end of the transmission of the last	as well as when it begins for a timing	define 'end of frame' and
					symbol of a frame on the medium to the beginning of	reference to be meaningful.	'beginning of frame' this will be
					transmission of the first symbol of the next frame on the	Ű	added using his text.
					medium."		
65	6.2.11	ZJ	t	N	Question: Shouldn't there be a bit of slop defined for the	Having the IFSs all be single numbers	Reject: IFS definitions have been
					IFS timings? I think requiring every station to respond to	rather than windows seems unrealistic	removed to Clause 10. Our
					within +/- 1 uS tolerances constrains implementations too	to me.	opinion, however, is no.
					much. There should be an early time at which a STA may		· · · ·
					start transmitting, and a late time after which it has lost its		
					chance.		
66	6.2.11	DW	Т	Y	The DCF timing relations do depend on two MAC	The SIFS and Slottime should be	Accept - implemented by
					related delay parameters M1 and M2. These need to	clear for every PHY type, and as	resolution to comment 61a
					be defined, such that SIFS and Slottime can be	such defined there, rather then a	

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					defined on a per PHV basis	formula of variable MAC - 1 DUV	
					The best way is probably that the MAC does specify	Iorniula of variable MAC and PHY	
					fixed numbers (not variables) for M1 and M2 such	components.	
		1			that clear values for SIFS and Slottime can be defined		
			1		hy each PHV		
67	622	HC	t	N	A virtual corrier concernation shall be and it.		
	0.2.2		1 °		the MAC. This mechanism is referred to as the Net	This section was written as if RTS/CTS	sentiment accpted, change
					Allocation Vector(NAV). The NAV	was the only use of the NAV, when it is	modified as follows:
		1	1		Anocation vector(NAV). The NAV maintains a	in many frames.	A virtual carrier sense mechanism
l î					prediction of future traffic on the media based on		shall be provided by the MAC.
					duration information that is announced in the duration/ID	There did not seem to be a place where	This mechanism is referred to as
		0			<u>field of the MAC Header of RTS/CTS</u> frames <u>specified in</u>	what the STA was to do based on the	the Net Allocation Vector(NAV).
					subclause 4.1.2.3 prior to the actual exchange of data. The	condition of the NAV was explained -	The NAV maintains a prediction of
					duration information is also available in all data and Ack	we all take it for granted, a novice	future traffic on the media. The
					trames. The mechanism for setting the NAV is described	reader was missing information.	mechanism for setting the NAV for
					th 6.2.6.4 The NAV state shall indicate the busy/free state		DCF is described in 6.2.6.4, and
1 1					of the medium. The NAV can be thought of as a counter,	I made this technical comment in case I	for PCF is described in 6.3.2.2.
					which is counting down while the medium is busy, and	got it wrong.	
					when it reaches zero the medium is free. The mechanism		The NAV state is combined with
					for determining the medium free/busy state using the		physical carrier sense to indicate
					duration field is described in subclause 6.2.6.4.		the busy/free state of the medium
							The NAV can be thought of as a
					When its NAV is non-zero, indicating that the medium is		counter, which is counting down
					busy, a STA shall not attempt to access the medium. The		When the counter is zero the
					STA shall behave, with respect to medium access and		virtual carrier sense indication is
					backoff procedures, as if the medium had been sensed		free
					and found busy throughout the period of time in which		<u></u>
					the NAV is non-zero. Only when its NAV state is zero,		
					shall an STA actually access the busy/free state of the		
					medium using the physical carrier sense mechanism.		
68	6.2.2	BD	Т	N	The duration information is also available in all Delata.	Data and Ack are an incorrect list as	Accept implemented by
					Management, and the appropriate control Ack frames.	the duration field is in more than	resolution to comment 69
						those frames The proposed change	resolution to comment 08
						corrects the sentence w/o requiring	
						an exhaustive list of frame types in	
						the sentence	
69	6.2.2.	BTh	e		change	typo and consistency	Accent

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					Allocation Vector (NAV). in all <u>D</u> elata and A <u>CK</u> ek frames.		
70	6.2.3	BTh	Е		change The gapinter-frame space between	more specific and accepted word	Accept
71	6.2.3	MB	e		1st paragraph, 3rd sentence and the ACK frame shall be the Short Inter Frame Space (SIFS)		Accept
72	6.2.3	EG	Τ		Remove following text "The following frame types shall be acknowledged with an ACK frame: Data, Poll, Request, Response"	Not all Data, nor all Poll, frames are acked. List is out of date in terminology. Material in this section is inconsisent with the more accurate contents of Section 4.4.	Accept - th sentiment of this change is accepted, the exact text was not used. See the modified section
73	6.2.3	EG	Т		change first sentence: " ACK frame shall <u>typically</u> be returned"	Acks are not always returned.	Accept - th sentiment of this change is accepted, the exact text was not used. See the modified section
74	6.2.3	EG	Т		Change first sentence of last paragraph: "The lack of an <u>expected</u> ACK frame from a destination STA on any of the listed frame types shall indicate"	Acks are not always expected.	Accept - th sentiment of this change is accepted, the exact text was not used. See the modified section
75	6.2.3	HC	t	N	para 2: The following frame types shall be acknowledged with an ACK frame when transmitted to a specific destination station, not broadcast or multicast:	clarification	Accept - th sentiment of this change is accepted, the exact text was not used. See the modified section
76	6.2.3	BD	Τ	N	The following frame types shall be acknowledged with an ACK frame: a) Data b) Poll c) Request d) Response	The text at left is incorrect. We no longer have request, response, or poll frame types. This section must be updated to itemize the exact frame types for which an ACK is required.	Accept - th sentiment of this change is accepted, the exact text was not used. See the modified section
77	6.2.3	BTh	t	N	change list of frame types requiring an ACK a) <u>directed</u> Data b) <u>PS-</u> Poll correct c) and d) by listing the correct Request and Response frames	The list of frame types requiring an ACK is not specific and therefore not accurate. Request and Response are not frame types. I don't know enough to create an accurate list myself, but I'm	Accept - th sentiment of this change is accepted, the exact text was not used. See the modified section

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						pretty sure there is no ACK after a	
		ļ				Probe Request.	
78	6.2.3	KJ	t	N	It should be made clear that Poll can have a Data response which is therefore a partial exception to this "shall" clause. The following frame types shall be acknowledged with an ACK frame: a) Data b)—Poll be) Request cd) Response The lack of an ACK frame from a destination STA on any of the listed frame types shall indicate to the source STA that an error has occurred. Note however, that the destination STA may have received the frame correctly and the error has occurred in the ACK frame. This condition shall be indistinguishable from an error occurring in the initial frame. The following frame type shall be acknowledged with either an ACK frame or a DATA (or DATA+CF-ACK in the case of the Poll being a CF-POLL) a) PS-Poll b) CF-Poll	Shall has been defined to mean that there is no exception. Therefore it must be explicit about this exception of Data responses to Poll type frames	Accept - th sentiment of this change is accepted, the exact text was not used. See the modified section
79	6.2.4	HC	е		2nd para, should end in "." rather than ","	syntax error	Accept
80	6.2.4	MB	e		Inter Frame Space definitions need clarificationa) SIFSShort Interframe Spaceb) PIFSPoint Coordination Function (PCF)Interframe Spacec) DIFSDistributed Coordination Function	Need to clarify for new readers of the Standard	Accept

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					(DCF) Interframe Space		
81	6.2.4	MB	е		3rd paragraph, second sentencetimegaps as further specified in 6.2.13 6.2.11		Accept
82	6.2.4	ws	е	1	"bitrate" should be "bit rate"	typo	Accept
83	6.2.4	BTh	Е	N	correct specified time_gaps as further specified in 6.2.14 <u>3</u> .	type reference is to non-existant section; this seems to be appropriate reference	Accept
84	6.2.4	HC	t	N	last para: The IFS timings are defined as time gaps on the medium. The standard shall specify the relation of the relative PHY MIB parameters to achieve the specified timegaps as further specified in 6.2.13.	there is no section 6.2.13, so far haven't been able to determine what section it means###	Reject - information is in 6.2.11
85	6.2.4	BD	Т	N	It should be noticed that tThe different IFSs are independent of the station bitrate. ₃ The IFS timings are defined as time gaps on the medium. and are a fixed length forper each PHY (even in multi-rate capable PHYs), The IFS timings are defined as time gaps on the medium. The standard shall-specifiesy the requiredrelation of the relative PHY MIB parameters to achieve the specified IFS timegaps (see sectionas further specified in 6.2.13).	 clarification of the fixed nature of IFS gaps. The draft should not talk about what the draft shall do in the future tense. This is confusing instructions to the draft writers (us) with the draft contents. The changes shown straighten this out. 	Accept
86	6.2.4	ZJ	Т	N	Add after final paragraph: "The MAC shall compensate for any variability in PHY response time to ensure that all IFS timing constraints, measured on the medium interface, are met."	We should be explicit in demanding this of an implementation	Reject - the PHY shall do this compensation, thisc omment should be re-made addressed to a PHY section.
87	6.2.4.1	HC	e		Frame exchange sequences are in section 4.4 not 4.3	bad sections reference	Accept
88	6.2.4.1	HC	E		1st sentance: <u>This is the shortest of the inter-frames spaces. It is used</u> <u>when stations have seized the medium and need to keep it</u> <u>for the duration of the frame exchange they have to</u> <u>perform. Using the smallest gap between transmisisons</u> within the frame exchange prevents other stations, which	 (1) Clarification of the reason for the SIFS, rather than just a description of when it is used; also (2) repeating the list use time that it is used just means that there are two places to change whenever the list 	Accept

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				· ·····	are required to wait for the medium to be free for a longer	changes. The reference to section 4.4 is	
					gap, from attempting to use the medium, giving priority	good enough description of when to use	
					access to completion of the frame exchange in	the SIFS	
					progress. This inter-frame space shall be used for an		
1 1					ACK frame, a CTS frame, a Data frame of a fragmented		
					MSDU, and, by a STA responding to any polling as is		
					used by the Point Coordination Function (PCF) (See 6.3,		
					Point Coordination Function).		
89	6.2.4.1	HC	e		another reference to the non-existant 6.2.13	what should this refer to ###	Accept
90	6.2.4.1	SA	е		The reference to 6.2.13 should be replaced by 6.2.11		Accept
91	6.2.4.1	TT	е		Correct section reference: 6.2.13 should be 6.2.11		Accept
92	6.2.4.1	BTh	E	N	correct	comma is grammatical error	Accept
					MSDU, and <comma> by a STA</comma>	sentence doesn't cornform to style	-
					are listed in <u>4.4</u> , Frame Exchange Sequences found in 4.3.	precedent set by rest of document and 2	
					specified in 6.2.1 <u>31</u> .	reference section numbers are incorrect	
93	6.2.4.2	HC	e		another reference to the non-existant 6.2.13	what should this refer to ####	Accept
94	6.2.4.2	HC	Е		last sentance:	Don't try to repeat information from	Accept
					Section 6.3 describes the use of the PIFS by the PCF. This	another section. This description may	
1					can occur at the start of and during a CF-Burst.	be incomplete, or may become wrong	
						when section 6.3 changes. It is better to	
05	(242	MD	_			just refer to the section.	
95	6243	MB	e		recommend that the PCF and DCF be better defined		Accept
06	6243	TT			by stating what they are (in addition to the acronym)		
90	6242	DTh	E	N	Correct section reference: 6.2.13 should be 6.2.11		Accept
91	0.2.4.2	ып	E	IN	correct	reference to section that doesn't exist; I	Accept
					as defined in $0.2.131$.	think this is correct reference	
					CF-Burst is introduced here with no previous	What is CF-Burst, readibility demands	
08	6242	UC			definition. what is it?	an explanation.	
90	6242	DTL	E	N	another reference to the non-existant 6.2.13	what should this refer to ###	Accept
77	0.2.4.3	DIU	E	IN	correct	reterence to section that doesn't exist; I	Accept
100	6243	HC	t	N		think this is correct reference	
	0.2.4.3	IIC	Ľ	14	Ist sent: This inter frame space is used by the DCE when a station	The sentance that was there was wrong.	Accept with modification:
					wishes to seize the medium to begin a frame exchange	### cneck this - in a DCF what IFS	see clause text.
					with another station, or to cond a single frame exchange	uses a station use to send a beacon? or	
i					with another station, of to send a single frame which	probe or whatever?	

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		1		1	CWmin and Commence MAG		
					be are fixed for all MAC implementations, because		
106	6.2.5	HC	t	N	Ist para, last sent: This process <u>minimzes collisions during</u> resolves contention between multiple STA that have been deferring to the same MPDU occupying the medium.	This procedure does not resolve contention. Contention and collisions both still happen, it just lowers the odds of a collision ocurring.	Accept
107	6.2.5	НС	T	N	Replace section as described in 95/207, with the exception of the definition of Slot Time. Change this as follows: Slot Time = <u>PHY MIB parameter aSlot Time</u> Transmitter turn on delay + medium propagation delay + medium busy detect response time (including MAC delay) and is PHY dependent.	CWmin and CWmax must be specified, not suggested. Clarity.	Accept
108	6.2.5	BA	T	N	Need to specify CWmin and CWmax.	Suggested values are not the same as required values.	Accept, specified by adoption of doc 95/207
109	6.2.5	BD	Τ	N	The value for Suggested values are for: CWmin shall be =31, and the value for Cwmax shall be= 255. CWmin and CWmax are MAC constants that effect the access fairness between stations and areshould be-fixed for all MAC implementations., because they effect the access fairness between stations.	 These two sentences (which bracket figure 6-5) contradict each other. One says the values must be fixed for all MAC implementations, the other says they are "suggestions". The values must be fixed - the changes shown fix these values as part of the draft specification. Note that I do not know if the actual values in D2 are correct, I have simply changed the only values given from suggestions to requirements. 	Accept, specified by adoption of doc 95/207
110	6.2.5	BD	Τ	Ν	Update clause to reflect reccomended CW min,max values per discussion at aug 95 mtg. Make CW_Min=7, CW_Max = 255, bith values 0 relative and required for all implementations.	 While I support the changes to CW_min and CW_max discussed in Aug 95, I do not support the specific text provided in doc 95/207 as it includes parenthetical editorial comments that are not appropriate as part of Draft text. the text in 95/107 specifies specific 	 (1) Accept - the editorial comments will be removed (2) Reject - 95/207 was accepted by the group at the Nov.

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						values in sequence. This is in contradiction to the recommendation that my notes show the MAC group making in Aug which were a value for CW_min=7 and CW_Max=255, zero relative, required values. Therefore I do not consider 95/207 to satisfy this LB comment as that	
						paper does not accurately reflect the Aug MAC recommendation.	
111	6.2.5	BPh	Т	N	Adopt text in document 95/207. Cwmin = 7, Cwmax = 255 adjust figure 6-5 to include CW values of 7 and 15.	provides better performance for the typical case scenario.	Accept, specified by adoption of doc 95/207
112	6.2.5	BSi	Т	N	Specify CWmin = 7, CWmax = 255, this gives good compromise between wasted time for few contending stations and stability when there are a large number of contending stations. Make these values mandatory in all implementations	Text says that 'Suggested Values' for CWmin and CWmax are 31 and 255, respectively. Next sentance says that these are constants and should be fixed in all MAC implementations - somewhat contradictory statements. CWmin = 31 is too large for efficient operation when small numbers of stations collide (wasted bandwidth). CWmax = 255 is fine for high load stability.	Accept, specified by adoption of doc 95/207
113	6.2.5	BTh	Т	N	change to specify exact values for CW. See text of document 95/207	I don't understand how the backoff algorithm calculation can be a suggestion. This is the basis of getting access to medium fairly. The numbers must be fixed for everyone. A vendor in a direct test situation against another vendors would look like he is better if he set the CW number smaller. On the other hand setting the CW number too small would cause may more collisions in large systems since there would be fewer slots in play. On the other hand	Accept, specified by adoption of doc 95/207

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						setting the number too large will waste bandwidth since the average lowest slot selected for use in a backoff will be higher and most of the time the medium	
						will not be used during the backoff.	
114	6.2.5	BTh	t	N	need a definition of retry. See text of 95/207	Needed a more specific understanding	Accept, specified by adoption of
						of the use of the term retry.	doc 95/207
115	6.2.5	FMi	Τ	N	Incorporate changes from Clause 7 of document 95–222 to complete the random backoff time specification. These changes include all the changes from document 95–207, plus specifications of a few more details.	See document 95–207. This vote favors adoption of 95–207 plus a few more details which this commenter feels need to be specified for proper interoperability of independently implemented instances of the random backoff mechanism.	Accept, specified by adoption of doc 95/207
116	6.2.5	KJ	t	N	see document 95-207		Accept, specified by adoption of doc 95/207
117	6.2.5	RJa	Τ	N	Need to specify CWmin and CWmax.	Cannot leave it as vendor dependent. 802.11 Lans from different vendors must operate together and the user should not have to specify parameters at this level to ensure equal performance.	Accept, specified by adoption of doc 95/207
118	6.2.5	WR	t	N	Update clause to use values defined in Doc Cur 95/207 place	rent values are only suggested as a A e holder	Accept, specified by adoption of doc 95/207
119	6.2.5	ZJ	Т	N	Adopt text from submission 95/207	Current mechanism is non-optimal	Accept, specified by adoption of doc 95/207
120	6.2.5	DW	Τ	Y	Update this section to fix the Cwmin and Cwmax values to the values suggested in the figure 6-5. Change the last sentence into: "For a given PHY the Cwmin and Cwmax values should be fixed for all MAC implementations, because they effect the access fairness between stations." The values as suggested in doc 95/207 are not acceptable.	The simulations performed in doc 95/80 suggest that the values as currently suggested in the draft are a good compromise between collision probability, Throughput and delay. It should be understood that the collision probability is directly affecting the performance of BC/MC frames which do not get acked. It is also shown in doc 95/182 that for a	Accept, specified by adoption of doc 95/207

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121	6.2.5.	FMa	T	N	CWmin and CWmax values are "suggested" - this wording allows implementations to set CWmin arbitrarily low (e.g. Cwmin = 3) thereby allowing such a station to "win" contention more often than others that have a higher setting of CWmin - i.e. the backoff resolution would be UNFAIR. There is no mechanism for coordinating the CWmin values of all STA in order to restore fairness. Besides, I don't like the value of Cwmin = 31, especially for small numbers of STA in a BSS. All of these arguments suggest that the proper course is to create a mechanism for setting the CWmin values of all STA in a BSS to the same value. Perhaps this is best achieved by communicating this value in BEACONs from the AP. The AP may feel free to choose the CWmin value by any method. Good luck with ad-hoc setups.	buffered load model, the suggested values are already generating a relative high collision probability. The simulations that are the basis for the results of Tom Baumgartners results, and which are the basis for doc 95/207 are just snapshot results, and do not assume the effects of retransmissions, and bursty traffic patterns. CWmin not really specified	Accept, specified by adoption of doc 95/207	
122	6.2.5.	FMa	t	N	Note that CWmin value must never be set to "1" (i.e. need to specify a minimum CWmin value of "3")	If CWmin value is set to "1", then loser of first round automatically loses next round too - i.e. best he can do is tie = collision. (Winner may choose "0" next time and wins again, and will continue to do so as long as he chooses "0") (If winner chooses "1", then tie results.)	Accept, specified by adoption of doc 95/207	
123	6.2.5., 1.8.2.1. 3.,	FMa	T	N	aSlot_Time must be a minimum of RTS+SIFS+20usec = 36*8 + 20 + 20 = 328usec (FHSS) = 44*8 + 20 + 20 = 392usec (DSSS)	Backoff counter will be allowed to count during hidden node's RTS transmission, because SLOT time	Reject - the current system works. This might improve it, more simulations are required.	

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	12.4.6.8						value is currently too short SLOT time must be at least as RTS + SIFS + 20usec, otherw hidden nodes are competing f network, then winner draw ZERO will start transmissio loser, drawing ONE, will collid CTS from AP, because he co down backoff SLOT during transmission time and then the retransmission	. I.e. long as vise, if for the ving n, and de with ounts RTS oegins	
	6.2.6.1	HC	e		If the medium is busy when a STA desires to RTS, Data, Poll, <u>or</u> and Management MPDU) initiate an J transfer,			Accept
125	6.2.6.1	ws	е		5th paragraph - "Superframe" - is this a	valid term			Accept
126	6.2.6.1	ZJ	е		Change "Contention Area" to "Contention	Period"	No such thing as "Contention.	Агеа"	Accept
127	6.2.6.1	DW	Е		The term Superframe is still used in para This should be deleted/changed.	agraph 5.			Accept
128	6.2.6.1	GE	t		Add following sentence. If a STA receives a MA_UNITDATA.req during the DIFS period, it must consider the medium busy as well and enter the defer process as shown in figure 6-6.	Section 6.2. tranmission before decla though the I channel clea receive a M. transmission must keep tr if a DATA.r period even migth be clea	6.1 indicates that an async must wait the DIFS period ring the channel clear even PHY layer might indicate the rr. This is because a unit may A_UNITDATA.req just after a has been completed. The MAC ack of the DIFS time and defer req is received during the DIFS though the PHY CCA indication ar.	Reject - fairness here, bu not a de solutior introduc unfairne problem	there is a problem at this is birable a, it may ce other ess as.
129	6.2.6.1	Bth	Ε	Ν	rewrite paragraphs 3 and 4 combining the improving the readability A STA may transmit a pending MPDU we operating under either DCF access method or Contention Period under the PCF access method detects the medium free for greater than or of DIFS time. If a STA detects a busy medium when it do	hem and hen it is during the hod, and it equal to a esires to	The paragraphs are almost accur not concise. Contention Are undefined; used Contention Pe Poll is not a frame; PS-Poll is a An STA doesn't try to send mor one type of frame at a time so proper word is "or" not "and	rate but a is eriod. frame. re than o the d".	Accept

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					transmit an RTS, Data, PS-Poll, or Management MPDU, the Random Backoff Time algorithm shall be followed when the DCF is being used or during the Contention Period under the PCF access method.		
130	6.2.6.1	BD	Т	N	If the medium is busy when a STA desires to initiate an RTS, Data, <u>Poll, andor</u> Management MPDU transfer, and only a DCF is being used to control access, the Random Backoff Time algorithm shall be followed. Likewise, if the medium is busy when a STA desires to initiate an RTS, Data, <u>Poll, andor</u> Management MPDU transfer, and a Contention Period portion of a Superframe is active (See 6.3 PCF), the Random Backoff Time algorithm shall be followed.	 The condition in both sentences should be an "or" instead of an "and". there is no Poll frame type in D2. I deleted the word, perhaps it should have been changed to PS-Poll or some other frame type? I thought we removed the concept of superframe - therefore the 2nd para still needs more work to be correct as it references a superframe. 	Accept with modification: If the medium is busy when a \$TA desires to initiate the initial frame of one of the frame exchanges described in 4.4, exclusive of the PCF period, the Random Backoff Time algorithm shall be followed. Likewise, if the medium is busy when a STA desires to initiate the initial frame of one of the frame exchanges described in 4.4, during the PCF period (See 6.3 PCF), the Random Backoff Time algorithm shall be followed.
131	6.2.6.1	ZJ	t	N	Change "has permission to" to "may"	Nobody is doing any permitting	accept
132	6.2.6.2	HC	e		Decrementing the Backoff Timer shall resume whenever the medium is detected to be free at the Tx_DIFS slot boundary as defined in $6.2.113$.	wrong subclause reference	Accept
133	6.2.6.2	SA	е		The reference to 6.2.13 should be replaced by 6.2.11		Accept
134	6.2.6.2	BTh	E		change 2nd paragraph equation in 6.2.5, Random Backoff Time. The Backoff Timer shall decrement by slot_time amount after every slot_time as defined in 6.2.13 <u>1</u> .	grammar requires comma slot time is 2 words Reference is to non-existant section; this is best reference I could find.	Accept
135	6.2.6.2	MB	e		add The backoff procedure and finds the medium busy (Figure 6-7)		Accept
136	6.2.6.2	MB	e		2nd paragraph, 4th sentence;slot boundary as defined in 6.2. 13 11		Accept
137	6.2.6.2	HC	t	N	1st sent:	Clarification of the fact that the backoff	Rejected - comment is wrong

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138	6.2.6.2	НС	t	N	The backoff procedure shall be followed whenever a STA desires to transfer an MPDU, has waited the appropriate IFS, and finds the medium busy.	period does not include the IFS, and that the backoff procedure begins if the medium becomes busy during the IFS that was started becuase the medium was free and the STA wanted to send. The current wording is ambiguous did	Accept septiment that current text	
		Î			10 begin type backoff procedule <u>the STA shall consists</u> of-selecting a backoff time from the equation in <u>subclause</u> 6.2.5 Random Backoff Time. <u>The STA shall defer until</u> the medium becomes free, and a DIFS has passed with the medium remaining free. Then medium shall be sensed at the next Tx_DIFS slot boundary, as defined in subclause 6.2.11. If the medium is found to be free, the Backoff Timer shall be decremented by slottime. When the decrement causes the Backoff Timer to become zero, the transmission shall commence. When the decrement does not cause the Backoff Timer to become zero, the medium shall be sensed again at the next Tx_DIFS boundary. Sensing of the medium at every Tx_DIFS boundary. Sensing of the medium at every Tx_DIFS boundary shall be repeated until either the Backoff Timer becomes zero or the medium is sensed busy. When the medium is sensed busy the Backoff Timer shall not be decremented. The STA shall defer until the medium has become free and a DIFS has expired, then at the next Tx_DIFS boundary until either the medium is busy or the Backoff Timer becomes zero. The Backoff Timer shall decrement by slottime amount after every slottime, while the medium is free. The Backoff Timer shall be frozen while the medium is sensed busy. Decrementing the Backoff Timer shall resume whenever the medium is detected to be free at the Tx_DIFS slot boundary as defined in -6.2.11. Transmission shall commence whenever the Backoff Timer reaches zero.	The current wording is ambiguous, did not specify whether the Backoff_Timer was incremented before or after checking the medium, or whether the transmission commenced at the decrement that takes the Backoff_Timer to zero or upon checking it at the next slot, or that the deferal on busy included a DIFS. Hopefully this is clearer - I made this technical in case I got it wrong.	Accept sentiment that current text is unclear. The suggested text is not correct. Use as the section is marked.	
139	6.2.6.2	BD	T	N	The advantage of this approach is that stations that lost contention will defer again until after the next ??, and will	There seems to be a word missing that is important to the sentence.	accept	

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					then likely have a	
140	6.2.6.2	GE	Т	X	Rewrite backoff procedure in 6.2.6.2 to reflect that in 6.5.2 Section 6.5.2 w Section the DIF random assume not a re says the once ar reached I also q beleive product	Accept - handled by response to comment 138 Speriod is completed and generate a a backoff period. At every retry, (I e that means media access retry and etry due to no ACK) Section 6.2.6.2 at the a random backoff is picked n frozen will deferring until zero is d. question the fairness statement. I e that this will increase collisions, not period statement. I
141	6.2.6.2, Fig. 6-7	SKy	t		Revise drawing to show the possibility of a station that has just finished transmission being given med access again.	Though the main point of the figure is well illustrated, adding this possibility will make the figure more general. Rejected - such a drawing is necessary, but if the author would like to submit such a drawing it will be considerd.
142	6.2.6.2, Fig. 6-7	SKy	t		Revise drawing to show the possibility of a station that has just finished transmission being given med access again.	Image: Section of the main point of the figure is well illustrated, adding this possibility will make the figure more general.Rejected - such a drawing is necessary, but if the author would like to submit such a drawing it will be considerd.
143	6.2.6.2.	FMa	e		change instances of "medium is sensed busy" to "medium is indicated as busy by ether the physical by the virtual carrier sense mechanism"	Choice of wording "medium is sensed busy" implies the physical carrier sense, while leaving out the virtual carrier sense. I'd prefer a wording that makes it clear that both are used. Accept
144	6.2.6.3	BPh	t		adopt text in document 95/201	more consistent and correct Accept 95/201 description
145	6.2.6.3	BTh	Т	N	Rewrite paragraph 3 and 4 of this section If after an RTS is transmitted, the CTS fails in any manner within a predetermined the CTS_Timeout (T expires, then a new RTS shall be generated while following the basic access rules for backoff. The CTS_Timeout value is the time required to transmit t	Need to define the calculation of the Timeout variables. Accept 95/201 *1) No need for retry counters to be MIB variables; they are just internal calculations.

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					CTS frame plus a SIFS interval. Since this pending	Change ACK_Window variable name	
					transmission is a retransmission attempt, the CW shall be	to be consistent with the CTS_Timeout	
					doubled as per the backoff rules. This process shall	name. Add sentence to define the	
		6			continue until the aRTS_Retry_Counter reachesnumber	method of calculating the variable.	
					of attempts exceeds an aRTSShort_Retry_Max	Accepted style doesn't have Data in all	
					Limitlimit.	caps.	
				-		CW is always greater than 1, but that is	
					The same backoff mechanism shall be used when no	not a helpful definition.	
					ACK frame is received within a predetermined		
ан — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —					ACK_WindowTimeout (T3) after a directed DATAata		
					frame has been transmitted. The ACK Timeout value is		
					the time required to transmit the ACK frame plus a SIFS		
					interval. Since this pending transmission is a		
					retransmission attempt the CW will be greater than		
					one <u>doubled</u> as per the backoff rules. This process shall		
					continue until the aData_Retry_Counternumber of		
					attempts exceeds either the aDataShort_Retry_MaxLimit		
					the Last Bata frame is less than the aRTS Threshold or		
					the along Retry Limit if the Data frame is greater than		
146	(2(2	TR C			or equal to the aRTS_Threshold.		
140	0.2.0.3	FM1	1	N	Incorporate changes from document 95–201 to improve	Provide missing information necessary	Accept 95/201
					description of RTS/CTS retry procedure and limits.	for proper implementation of the	
1.47	(0(0)					RTS/CTS mechanism.	
14/	6.2.6.3	KJ	t	N	see document 95-201		Accept 95/201
148	6.2.6.3	OB	T	N	If after an RTS is transmitted, the CTS fails in any	Clearer definition of desired actions.	Accept 95/201
					manner within a predetermined CTS_Timeout		
- 1					expires(11), then a new RTS shall be generated while		
					following the basic access rules for backoff. Since this		
					pending transmission is a retransmission attempt, the CW		
					shall be doubled as per the backoff rules. This process		
					shall continue until the <u>number of</u>		
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149 150	6.2.6.3 6.2.6.3	ZJ TT	t	N	ACK_ <u>TimeoutWindow (T3)</u> after a directed DATA frame has been transmitted. <u>The ACK Timeout value is</u> the time required to transmit the ACK frame plus a SIFS interval. Since this pending transmission is a retransmission attempt the CW will be <u>doubledgreater</u> than one as per the backoff rules. This process shall continue until the <u>number of</u> <u>attemptsaData_Retry_Counter exceedsreaches</u> the aLongData_Retry_LMax-limit for DATA frames the length of which exceed aRTS_Threshold or <u>aShort_Retry_Limit for DATA frames the length of</u> which do not exceed aRTS_Threshold. Define T1 and T3. Delete last sentence of 1st paragraph: "It can however	This statement is misleading and adds	Accept 95/201 Reject deletion of sentance, feel
130	0.2.0.3		L	NO	Add after last paragraph: In each case the backoff timer is started a DIFS time after either the T1 or T3 timeouts.	Other nodes start their backoff timers relative to NAV ending, however we need to explicitly state when the transmitting node starts its backoff since it is not the same as a node receiving the RTS and or CTS.	keject deteution of sentance, reef that the sentance adds clarity. Second suggestion is addressed by changes made for comment #138
151	6.2.6.3	DW	Т	Y	Update this section according to the text supplied in doc 95/201. In addition the defined retry limits must be given a value. Suggested values are: for Short_retry=8, and Long_retry=3.	This submission does properly distinguish the that there should be a retry limit for short frames, and a different one for long frames. Simulations should be be done to determine adequate retry limits, but the environment and criteria should be agreed upon.	Accept. 95/201 adopted, values requested added to clause 8.
152	6.2.6.3,	HCH	Т	N	6.2.6.3 RTS/CTS Recovery Procedure and	Data larger than aRTS_Threshold is not	Rejected - text from 95/201 used.

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84.2.2. C Retransmit Limits Many circumstances may cause an error to occur in a RTS/CTS exchange. Sector 2000 (1			T			
attempt, the Cw shall be modified as per the backoff	8.4.2.2,	С		Retransmit Limits Many circumstances may cause an error to occur in a RTS/CTS exchange. For instance, CTS may not be returned after the RTS transmission. This can happen due to a collision with another RTS or a DATA frame, or due to interference during the RTS or CTS frame. It can however also be that CTS fails to be returned because the remote station has an active carrier sense condition, indicating a busy medium time period. If after a STA transmits an RTS is transmitted and does not receive a the CTS from the destination STA within fails in any manner within a predetermined CTS_Timeout .(T1), then a new RTS the STA shall be generated whileretransmit the RTS following the basic access rules for backoff. Since this pending transmission is a retransmission attempt, the CW shall be modifieddoubled as per the backoff rules. This process shall continue until the aRTS_Retry_Counter reaches an aRTS_Retry_Max limit. If, following a successfull RTS/CTS exchange, a STA transmits a directed DATA frame and does not receive an ACK within ACK_Timeout, the STA shall retransmit the RTS as in the procedure described above. If a STA transmits a directed DATA frame shorter than aRTS_Threshold (i.e. no preceding RTS/CTS was used), and does not receive an ACK within ACK method the basic for backoff. Since this is a retransmistion the DATA frame following the basic basic process for the shorter than aRTS_Threshold (i.e. no preceding RTS/CTS was used), and does not receive an ACK within ACK frame following the basic rules for backoff. Since this is a retransmission	 going to get between stations because any one of the RTS didn't make it, the CTS didn't make it, or the ACK didn't make it. Obvioudly, only the latter two apply to data shorter than aRTS_Threshold. It is true there may be different causes for an RTS or not to make it, than there may be for DATA to not make it to its destination. The reasons for the ACK to not make it back may be more similar to those that casued the RTS/CTS to not work. So there is really no saying that the conditions that cause short frame failures apply only to the RTS/CTS failure, and not to the DATA/ACK failure. Basically, there can be a myriad of conditions that cause data to not get from STA to STA, and trying to account for each and give different retry limits for each possible cause is far more trouble than it is worth. The entire frame exchange, either RTS/CTS/DATA/ACK or just DATA/ACK, should be considered an attempt to send the data. Regardless of which step failed, it should be considered one try or retry, and there should be one Retry_Max to cover the whole thing. 	
rules.				attempt, the CW shall be modifed as per the backoff rules.		

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					Each retransmission attempt shall be counted, whether the retransmission is of an RTS due to no CTS received, or of a DATA frame due to no ACK received. I.E. the transmission attempt of an RTS associated with a DATA frame is considered a transmission attempt of that DATA. When aRetry_Max retransmissions have been made, the transmission of the DATA frame shall be considered to have failed, and no more retransmission attempts shall be madeThe same backoff mechanism shall be used when no ACK frame is received within a predetermined ACK_Window (T3) after a directed DATA frame has been transmission attempt the CW will begreater than one as per the backoff rules. This process shall continue until the aData_Retry_Coutner reaches aData_Retry_Max limit.8.4.2.2.1 oMac GET.REPLACE, aDATA_Retry_maxGET_REPLACE, aMax_Frame_LengthGET, aMax_Frame_LengthGET, aMax_Frame_LengthGET, a		
153	6.2.6.3.	FMa	t		Does the wording of the second paragraph imply that stations must wait for CS = CLEAR before sending CTS? I though that CS was not to be checked during SIFS gaps. Third sentence of 2nd paragraph should be deleted.		Reject - the current text is correct, the NAV is used before CTS can be sent. The word 'virtual' has been added for clarification.
154	6.2.6.4	НС	E		In figure 6-8, T1 and T3 should be removed.	These numbers are undefined, wither remove or explain them.	Accept
155	6.2.6.4	BTh	E	N	add to 2nd paragraph	Incorrect reference title and ":" is	Accept

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					end of the ACK frame. (See 4: <u>.2</u> , <u>RTS and CTSFormat of</u> Individual Frame <u>Structure</u> Types.)	incorrect style.	
156 157	6.2.6.4	HCH C	t	N	 6.2.6.4 Setting the NAV-Through Use of RTS/CTS Frames In the absence of a PCF, reception of directed frames, other than PS-POLL, for which the receiving STA is not the destination STA, RTS and CTS, Data and ACK frames are the events that shall cause the receiving STA to set its set the NAV to a non-zero duration. Each frame contains a duration field in the MAC Header. When a STA receives a frame, other than PS-POLL, with a valid PCS, it shall update its NAV to be equal the duration field of the frame, when this value is greater than the current value of the NAV. When a STA changes its NAV due to reception of a frame, decrementing of the NAV shall not begin until the end of receipt of that frame is detected. The NAV stall indicate the bust status of the medium to 1 microsecond accuracy. Various conditions may reset the NAV. RTS and CTS frames contain a Duration field based on the medium occupancy time of the MPDU from the end of the RTS or CTS frame until the end of the ACK frame. (See 4: RTS and CTS Frame Structure.) -All STA receiving these frame types with a valid FCS field but with the exception of the station that is addressed shall interpret the duration field in these frames, and maintain the Net Allocation Vector (NAV). Stations receiving a valid frame should update their NAV with the information received in the Duration field, but only when the new NAV value is greater then the current NAV value. 	There was no discussion anywhere of the use of NAV for DCF non RTS/CTS/DATA/ACK transactions such as presonse and request. Making this section more generic solves that. Did not exclude multicast and broadcast from NAV use. Did not specify that the NAV decrementing does not begin until after frame receipt ends if the NAV was changed by this frame. I didn't understand the purpose of the last sentance, so I suggested deleting it. Does that remove any meaning?	Accepted with modifications, see the draft.
					accurate to 1 microsecond of the busy/free condition of the medium. Figure 6-8 indicates the NAV for stations		

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					that can hear the RTS frame, <u>and for while</u> other stations which may only receive the CTS frame, resulting in the lower NAV bar as shown. Although the NAV effectively will "count-down" from a non-zero value, only the fact of whether the NAV is non-zero or not is necessary for correct protocol operation.			
158	6.2.6.4	BD	Т	N	In the absence of a PCF, reception of RTS and CTS, Data and ACK frames are the events that shall set the NAV to a non-zero duration. Various conditions may reset the NAV.	The sentence shown needs clarification as the English wording is ambiguous; is the condition desired: 1) RTS and CTS and DATA and ACK? 2) (RTS and CTS) or (DATA and ACK) 3) RTS or CTS or DATA or ACK? 4) something else?	Accepted with modification from #157	
159	6.2.6.4	ZJ	Т	N	Modify text to indicate that the duration value should be passed up by the PHY since it was included in the PLCP header.	Duration information should be part of the PLCP header, not the MAC contents of the frame. Since units communicating at lower speeds cannot receive the MAC contents of a frame transmitted at higher speed, but all stations can receive the PLCP header for all frames (in all PHYs), it is logical to move Duration to where everyone in the BSS can receive it (I don't care if it violates layer purity).	Declined - doc 247 rejected by plenary vote	
160	6.2.6.4	TT	t	NO	Correct figure 6-12 to show that T1 is from the end of the RTS to the end of the CTS. Delete second sentence: "Various conditions may reset the NAV". Add a NAV (Data) line to figure 6-12 showing that NAV is active from the end of the data frame to the end of the	Drawing shows timeout is a SIFS time after when end of CTS was expected. Other than counting down to zero, I'm not aware of any other condition that will reset the NAV. (If I'm wrong and there are some then they should be explicitly summarized here or in a new section immediately following this	Accept first comment, remove T1 and T3 from the drawing 6-8. 2nd comment accepted, clarification added. 3rd comment accept drawing 6- 10	

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161	6.2.6.4	MRo	T	X	ACK. Change beginning of 2nd paragraph to read: RTS, CTS and Data frames Add the following: <u>"For PHY's that use bit insertion for bias</u> <u>suppression, the NAV must be increased to account</u> for the longer duration of transmitted frames"	one.) As written it is implied that there is no NAV set in a data frame. missing	4th comment handled by changes from #138 Reject - already specified in subclause 4.2.1.1 which specifies that this must be included in the calcualtion of the duration.
162	6.2.6.5	GE	le	' <u> </u>	Short Interframe Space (SIFS) not (IFS) by definition	n in the abbreviations Accent	
163	6.2.6.5	MB	e		The Short Interframe Space (IFS) (SIFS) is used to provide an efficient MSDU delivery mechanism. Once a station has contended for the channel, it will maintain control of the channel until it has sent all the fragments of the MSDU, and received their corresponding ACKs, or until it failed to receive an ACK for a specific fragment or if the station will reach a dwell time boundary. After all fragments have been transmitted, the station will relinquish control of the channel. Once the station has contended for the channel, it will continue to send fragments until either all fragments of a MSDU have been sent, an Acknowledgment is not received, or the station can not send any additional fragments due to a dwell time boundary.		Accept
164	6.2.6.5	WS	e		Paragraph 7 - "retransmitaccording"	typo	Accept
165	6.2.6.5	MB	t		paragraph 11, second rule. When a MSDU has been successfully delivered, and want to transmit a subsequent MSDU, then it should must go through a backoff.		accept (with shall instead of must)
166	6.2.6.5	BTh	E	N	correct 1st paragraph, delete 2nd paragraph The Short Interframe Space (SIFS) received their corresponding AekCKs, or until it failed to receive an AekCK for a specific fragment, or the	For some strange reason missing "S" all over the place. Style for ACK is all upper case. Second paragraph is redundant to 1st paragraph except for	Accept

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					station can not send any additional fragments due to a	what is added to first paragraph.		
					dwell time boundary	typo		
1	1				change 3rd paragraph			
					using the <u>S</u> IFS.			
					change Figure 6-9 title			
					using <u>S</u> IFS	-		
					change 8th paragraph			
					attempt to retransmit_according to			
	1				change 10th paragraph			
					, and, if the PHY is a FH type, there is enough time left			
					change 12th paragraph			
					releasing the channel < comma> as long as there is enough			
					time left in the dwell time for a FH PHY.			
167	6.2.6.5	HCH	Т	N	6.2.6.5. Control of the Medium Channel via Short	This section confuses medium control	[1] accept	
		C C			Interfame Space (SIFS) [1]	and fragmentation. Many of the	[1]	
						concepts and rules discussed apply to	[2] accept	
					The Short Interframe Space (IFS) is used to provide an	situations much more generic than	r-1	1
					efficient MSDU delivery mechanism, particulary when an	fragmentation. Here is a re-write, which	[3] Rejected because it is not	1
					MSDU must be fragmented into multiple MPDUs Once	solves that problem and suggest many	redundant if [6] is rejected	J.
					a station has contended for the mediumchannel, it will	other things, which I have numbered in		
					maintains control of the channel until it has completed the	square brackets to tie with comments in	[4] accept	
					frame exchange it started. Valid frame exchanges are	this column where there are changes		
					described in subclause 4.4. By using a SIFS between	other than just organization and flow of	[5] accept	
					transmission of frames within a frame exchange, the	text.		
					STAs concerned have medium access priority throughout		[6] Rejected - changed	
					the entire exchange. it has sent all the fragments of a	[1] the MAC controls media access, not	retranmssion mechanism.	
					MSDU, and received their corresponding Acks, or until it	channel access. This subclause deals		
					failed to receive an Ack for a specific fragment. After all	with medium control using the SIFS.		
					fragments have been transmitted, the station will	č		
					relinguish control of the channel.[2]	[2] the description needs to be for all		
						frame exchanges, not just fragmented		
					Once the source STA has transmitted a frame which	MSDUs.		
					requires an ACK from the destination, it shall release the			
					medium and wait receipt of the ACK frame from the	[3] all of this is redundant.		
					destination STA. When the destination STA has			
					transmitted an ACK frame neither source or destination	[4] pulls together all the information		
					STA shall have any priority access to the medium unless			
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					the exchange just completed was an MPDU/ACK where the MPDU was a fragment of an MSDU. In that case, the medium shall be reserved for a SIFS to allow the source STA to transmit an MPDU which contains another fragment of the same MSDU. [2] In the case of fragment MSDUsOnce the station has contended for the mediumehannel, it shallwill continue MPDU/ACK exchangesto send fragments until either all fragments of thea MSDU have been sent, an acknowledgment is not received, or <u>ithe station</u> can not send any additional fragments due to a dwell time boundary. After all fragments have been transmitted, the station will relinquish control of the channel. [4] Figure 6-9 illustrates the transmission of a multiple fragment MSDU using the IFS. figure Figure 6-9: Transmission of a Multiple Fragment MSDU using IFS The source station transmits a fragment then releases the channel and waits for an acknowledgment. When the source station releases the channel following its fragment, it will immediately monitor the channel for an acknowledgment frame from the destination station. [3] When the destination station has finished sending the acknowledgment is then reserved for the source station to continue (if necessary) with another fragment. The station sending the acknowledgment does not have permission to transmit on the channel immediately following the acknowledgment. [3]	 about fragmentation. [5] refer to the relevant related subclause rather than repeat information. [6] This used to say 'if no ACK, retransmit according to the backoff algorithm'. The following points: if source STA has waiting SIFS and not got ACK, and start backoff then: (1) if backoff includes DIFS, then this STA is out of sync because other STAs started DIFS at the end if its frame, while it starts DIFS after SIFS; (2) if backoff doesn't include DIFS, then this STA is out of sync because it waited SIFS while everyone else had to wait DIFS. But all of that above is really irrelevant, because everyone who heard the source STA's transmission has set their NAV for the end of theACK, so unless the source STA waits the ACK time after the SIFS, before starting DIFS/backoff then it has the advantage. the source STA will contend and retry, aRetry_Max times. Why not let it do that right now, using only a SIFS - this will waste a lot less bandwidth (later it has to do DIFS). 		
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					The process of sending multiple fragments after	destination is there.	following conditions during a fragm	
					contending for the <u>medium</u> ehannel is defined as a			
					fragment burst. <u>Subclause 6.4 and 6.5 provide details of</u> <u>the fragmentation and reassembly mechanism.</u> [5]	- retransmitting immediately after SIFS gives the source priority access. But as it is retransmitting if it had to use the	The station has just receiv requires acknowledging.	
					If the source station receives an acknowledgment but	hackoff mechanism, the backoff	The source station has rec	
					there is not enough time to transmit the past fragment and	algorithm is designed to try to give it	acknowledgment to a prev	
					receive an acknowledoment due to an impending dwell	priority by doubling the CW. So, if you	more fragment(s) for the	
					boundary it will contend for the channel at the beginning	are going to give it priority	transmit and there is enou	
					of the next dwell time [3]	retransmitting immediately is simpler	dwell time to send the new	
					of the next direct time. [5]	and less wastefull of bandwidth.	an acknowledgment [3]	
					When alf the source station has transmitted a frame which			
					requires an ACK frame from the destination STA, and it		The following rules also apply [3	
					has does not received the ACK, it shall retransmit the		5 115	
					unacknowledged frame. The retransmission shall ocurr		When a station has transr	
					immediately at the point where the source decides the		than a fragment, it shall n	
					ACK has not been received - this is a SIFS following the		channel following the ack	
					orignal frame transmission. When the unacknowledged		frame, without going thro	
					frame was an MPDU which was preceded by and			
					RTS/CTS exchange, the RTS/CTS exchange shall not be		When a MSDU has been	
					repeated. an acknowledgement frame it will attempt to		and want to transmit a su	
					retransmit according to the backoff algorithm. When the		it should go through a ba	
					time arrives to retranmit the fragment, the source stations			
					will contend for access in the contention window. [6]		Only unacknowledged fro	
							retransmitted. [3]	
					After a station contends for the channel to retransmit a			
					fragment of a MSDU, it will start with the last fragment		When a source station has transmi	
					that was not acknowledged. The destination station will		multiple fragment MSDU does no	
					receive the fragments in order since the source sends		acknowledgment (for example -a b	
	1				them one at a time, in order. It is possible however, that		packet transmitted by the Access I	
					the destination station may receive duplicate fragments.		an MPDU which is a fragment of a	
					This will occur if the destination station sends an		station shall continue towill transn	
					acknowledgment and the source does not receive it. The		MSDU seperated by SIFS, without	
					source will resend the same fragment after executing the		as long as there is enough time left	
					backoff algorithm and contending for the channel. [3]		there is not, the station shallwill tra	
							fragments as possible and reconter	
					A station will transmit after the SIFS only under the		mediumchannel during the next dw	
					following conditions during a fragment burst: [3]		between fragments of a broade	

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	following conditions during a fragment burst: [3]	between fragments of a broadcast/multica
		equal to the SIFS period.
	The station has just received a fragment that	This section confuses medium control
	requires acknowledging. [3]	and fragmentation. Many of the
		concepts and rules discussed apply to
	The source station has received an	situations much more generic than
	acknowledgment to a previous fragment, has	fragmentation. Here is a re-write, which
	more fragment(s) for the same MSDU to	solves that problem and suggest many
	transmit, and there is enough time left in the	other things, which I have numbered in
	dwell time to send the next fragment & receive	square brackets to tie with comments in
	an acknowledgment. [3]	this column where there are changes
		other than just organization and flow of
	The following rules also apply. [3]	text.
	When a station has transmitted a frame other	[1] the MAC controls media access, not
	than a fragment, it shall not transmit on the	channel access. This subclause deals
	channel following the acknowledgment for that	with medium control using the SIFS.
	frame, without going through a backoff. [3]	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
		[2] the description needs to be for all
	When a MSDU has been succesfully delivered,	frame exchanges, not just fragmented
	and want to transmit a subsequent MSDU, then	MSDUs.
	it should go through a backoff. [3]	
		[3] all of this is redundant.
	Only unacknowledged fragments are	
	retransmitted. [3]	[4] pulls together all the information
		about fragmentation.
	When a source station has transmitted a frame which If a	
	multiple fragment MSDU does not require an	[5] refer to the relevant related
	acknowledgment (for example, a broadcast/multicast	subclause rather than repeat
	packet transmitted by the Access Point), and that frame is	information.
	an MPDU which is a fragment of an MSDU, the source	
	station shall continue towill transmit all fragments of the	[6] This used to say 'if no ACK,
	MSDU seperated by SIFS, without releasing the channel	retransmit according to the backoff
	as long as there is enough time left in the dwell time. If	algorithm'. The following points:
	there is not, the station shallwill transmit as many	
	fragments as possible and recontend for the	- if source STA has waiting SIFS and
	mediumchannel during the next dwell time. The spacing	not got ACK, and start backoff then: (1)
	between fragments of a broadcast/multicast frame shall be	if backoff includes DIFS, then this STA
	equal to the SIFS period.	is out of sync because other STAs
Section 6 comments from Ba	llot on Draft Standard D2 page 41	started DIFS at the end if its frame Haves Chair AT&T WCND)
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backoff doesn't include DIFS then this

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					between fragments of a broadcast/multicast frame shall be equal to the SIFS period.		
168	6.2.6.5	BA	Τ	N	Delete last paragraph. Replace with: <u>MSDUs which do not require acknowledgment (i.e.,</u> <u>broadcast/multicast MSDUs transmitted by an AP) shall</u> <u>not be fragmented.</u>	The current approach to fragment non- ACKed packets will allow slightly more efficient use of the bandwidth since a long broadcast/multicast packet can be sent in two parts (before hop boundary and after hop boundary). I think it is more important that these messages be sent in a way to which maximizes their probability of correct reception. Since they are not ACKed, the message delivery probability will be higher if they are sent unfragmented. At threshold, this difference could be fairly significant since a receiver might be required to successfully detect and demodulate 3 or 4 separate bursts for a long message.	Rejected - the PHY may not be able to transmit the entire MSDU at once.
169	6.2.6.5	BD	Т	N	It is possible however, that the destination station may receive duplicate fragments. This will occur if the destination station sends an acknowledgment and the source does not receive it. The source will resend the same fragment after executing the backoff algorithm and contending for the channel. It shall be the responsibility of the receiving station to discard duplicate fragments.	Clarification.	Accept
170	6.2.6.5	BD	Т	N	MSDU, then it <u>shallshould</u> go through a backoff.	Correction.	Accept
171	6.2.6.5	KJ	t	N	When a MSDU has been succesfully delivered, and <u>the station has want to transmit</u> a subsequent MSDU <u>to transmit</u> , then it should shall go through a backoff.	Just as in the previous rule above and as specified by 6.2.6.2	Accept

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172	6.2.6.5	RJa	T	N	Delete last paragraph. Replace with: <u>MSDUs which do not require acknowledgment (i.e.,</u> <u>broadcast/multicast MSDUs transmitted by an AP) shall</u> <u>not be fragmented.</u>	The current approach to fragment non- ACKed packets will allow slightly more efficient use of the bandwidth since a long broadcast/multicast packet can be sent in two parts (before hop boundary and after hop boundary). I think it is more important that these messages be sent in a way to which maximizes their probability of correct reception. Since they are not ACKed, the message delivery probability will be higher if they are sent unfragmented. At threshold, this difference could be fairly significant since a receiver might be required to successfully detect and demodulate 3 or 4 separate bursts for a long message.	Reject - see comment #168	
173	6.2.6.5	ZJ	t	N	Clarify whether it is mandatory that all fragments of an MSDU be sent in a burst.	Needs to be specified. My feeling is that it should be up to the implementation to figure out how many fragments it wants to send in a burst.	Reject - this is absolutely clear in th second paragraph.	
174	6.2.6.6	НС	E		remove last paragraph The source station must wait until the ACK timeout before attempting to contend for the channel after not receiving the acknowledgment.	This section is abouit RTS/CTS use. This paragraph simply repeats things that are defined elsewhere.	Accept	
175	6.2.6.6	BTh	E		add box around RTS in Src line of Figure 6-10	All other frames hava a box.	Accept	
176	6.2.6.6	ws	е		"warrents"	spelling	Accept	
177	6.2.6.6	DW	E		Figure 6-10 should be updated to correctly show the NAV as is caused by the Duration field in the data frame (from the end of the last fragment till the end of the Ack following the next fragment.		Accept	
178	6.2.6.6	НС	Т	N	The following is a description of using RTS/CTS for the first fragment of a fragmented MSDU. RTS/CTS will also be used for retransmitted fragments if their size	The way it is: STA hears data fragment, sets NAV for duration of ACK, plus the DATA/ACK of next fragment. A lot of	Reject - it is designed this way to mimic the RTS/CTS situation. The data and ack contain duration to	

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					Figure 6-11: RTS / CTS with Transmitter Priority with Missed Acknowledgment		
179	6.2.6.6	НС	Т	N	One of two things is required here. Either (1) hitting a dwell boundary needs to clear everyone's NAV, or (2) when DATA fragment and Ack are sent, STAs must calculate whether the next fragment/ACK are going to fit into the dwell, and not set their durations to include them if they aren't going to fit.	Following a dwell boundary STA's NAVs could come clear at some very screwy places. The source and destination STA of a fragment/ACK exchange just before the boundary are the only STAs with clear NAVs, and get a lot of priority access.	Reject - action at dwell boundary is unspecified. The implementation may tx over the boundary or calculate whether or not the transmit will fit.
180	6.2.6.6	BA	Т	N	See section 6.2.6.6 attachament below	In the previuos letter ballot, my recommendation of redefining the duration field was adopted, see doc 95/69. However, the change was never made to the D2 text. I am including my proposed text and updated figures as an attachment.	Accepted - at some point this change made it into the text. The exact words suggested here are not used, but the meaning is in the test. The figure has been updated now as a result of another comment.
181	6.2.6.6	KJ	Т	N	Each frame contains information that defines the duration of the next transmission. The RTS will update the NAV to indicate busy until the end of ACK 1. The CTS will also update the NAV to indicate busy until the end of ACK 1. Both Fragment 1 and ACK 1 will update the NAV to indicate busy until the end of ACK 2. This is done by using the duration field in the DATA and ACK frames. This will continue until the last Fragment <u>which</u> has a duration of one ACK time plus one SIFS time and <u>its</u> ACK which will have the duration set to zero. Each Fragment and ACK acts as a virtual RTS and CTS, therefore no RTS/CTS frame needs to be generated even though subsequent fragments are larger the	This reflects correctly the text in section 4.2.2.1	Accept

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					aRTS_Threshold.		
182	6.2.6.6	RJa	Т	N	Figure 6-10 is incorrect. NAV (Fragment 1) should begin at the end of fragment 1 and continue until end of ack 2. NAV (Fragment 2) should begin at end of fragment 2 and continue till end of ack 3. NAV (Fragment 3) should begin at the end of fragment 3 and continue until the end of ack 3.	I believe that this was accepted at an eariler meeting.	Accept
183	6.2.7	НС	Е		first 2 paragraphs: Figure 6-11 shows the Directed MPDU transfer procedure with the use of RTS/CTS. In certain eircumstances the DATA frames will be preceded with an RTS and CTS frame exchange that include duration information. STA shall use an RTS/CTS exchange for directed frames only when the length of the MPDU is greater than the length threshold indicated by the RTS_Threshold attribute. The RTS_Threshold attribute shall be set to a MPDU length threshold in each STA.	Remove redundant and extraneous verbage.	Accept
184	6.2.7	MB	e		Figure 6-11 12 shows the		Reject, incorrect
185	6.2.7	RMr	E		Values of RTS_Threshold ≥ MDPU_Maximum shall indicate that all MPDU shall be delivered with <u>out</u> RTS/CTS.		Accept
186	6.2.7	RJa	Т		Third paragraph. The value 0 shall be used to indicate that no MPDU shall be delivered without the use of RTS/CTS. Values of RTS_Threshold $\geq \geq MPDDPU_Maximum$ shall indicate that <u>noall</u> MPDUs shall will utilize be delivered with RTS/CTS.	Doesn't make sense as is. RTS_Threshold = 0 should mean all use RTS/CTS. RTS/Threshold > MPDU_Maximum should mean no MPDUs use RTS/CTS	Accept - fixed by doc 95/174

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187	6.2.7	HC	Т	N	Last paragraph of subclause 6.2.7:	If the medium is free after the SIFS it	Rejected again - not enough time	
Ì					The asynchronous payload frame (e.g. DATA) shall be transmitted after the end of the CTS frame and an SIFS gap period <u>if the medium is free. If the medium is busy the transmissin of the MPDU failed and must be retried.</u> -No regard shall be give to the busy or free status of the medium.	make no difference either way. If the medium is busy and the STA is able to sense that, then sending the Data guarentees both transactions will fail. If you don't transmit at least the other guy will get his done. If you think that you will get false busy so much that this will be a problem, I suggest you have bigger problems than	in a SIFS to sense the medium, don't want to make SIFS longer.	
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188	6.2.7	ВА	T	N	Third paragraph. The value 0 shall be used to indicate that no MPDU shall be delivered without the use of RTS/CTS. Values of RTS_Threshold \geq MPDU_Maximum shall indicate that <u>noall MPDUs</u>	Doesn't make sense as is. RTS_Threshold = 0 should mean all use RTS/CTS. RTS/Threshold > MPDU_Maximum should mean no MPDUs use RTS/CTS	Accept, but slightly different wording used.	
189	6.2.7	BTh	Τ	Ν	change 4th paragraph No regard shall be give toDuring the SIFS period the busy or free status of the medium shall be sensed. If the <u>RTS/CTS exchange has worked, the medium should be</u> free. However, in a wireless environment there will be times when another STA has not heard the RTS/CTS and will use the channel. To avoid collisions the originating <u>STA should begin the basic access method again.</u>	This is a collision AVOIDANCE protocol. The MAC should try to avoid collisions by using the CCA information before any transmission of a data frame.	Rejected for same reason as #187.	
190	6.2.7	ZJ	t	N	Rephrase second sentence of second paragraph to indicate who is setting the RTS threshold and via what mechanism	Sentence does not make sense	Accept. The sentance is deleted because it clarified nothing and the firs sentance covers it.	
191	6.2.7.1	DM	e		Change numbering to remove single subsections. There should always be more than 1 subsection.	If there is only one subsection then the subsection should become a section of the next higher level. The purpose of a subsection is to break a section down into more parts. If there is only one part then it doesn't warrant a subsection.	Accept	
192	6.2.7.1	TT	t	NO	Add a NAV line to figure 6-12 showing that NAV is	As written it implied that there was no	(1) Declined - the NAV	

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					active from the end of the data frame to the end of the ACK. Add markings to figure 6-12 showing timeout T3 as in figure 6-8. Add sentence: The source STA shall start its backoff a DIFS time after either the end of the ACK or the end of the T3 timeout, as indicated in figure 6-12.	NAV set in a data frame. It was also not clear when a transmitting STA shall start its backoff for a subsequent transmission.	 information is in Figure 6-10, it would be redundant here. (2) Declined - have not added T3 because it is well defined textually now as aACK_Timeout. (3) Accepted the need for a clarification, but we beleive he worded it poorly. See the section for the words we added 	
193	6.2.8	BA	T		Append to second paragraph: "The Broadcast/Multicast message will be distributed onto the wireless medium. The station originating the message will receive the message as a Broadcast/Multicast message. Therefore all stations must filter out Broadcast/Multicast messages which contain their address as the source address."	The current approach will result in a STA which generates a broadcast/multicast message receiving that message when the AP transmits it. If this is not filtered out by the MAC, how will the higher level protocols deal with it? From my understanding, they won't like it.	Accept	
194	6.2.8	RJa	Т		The current approach will result in a STA which generates a broadcast/multicast message receiving that message when the AP transmits it. If this is not filtered out by the MAC, how will the higher level protocols deal with it? From my understanding, they won't like it.		Accept - change implemented by comment 193 resolution.	
195	6.2.8	нс	t	N	first paragraph: In the absense of a PCF, when Broadcast or Multicast MPDUs are transferred from an STA with the To DS bit clear from an AP to a STA, or from one STA to other STA's, only the basic access mechanism shall be used. Regardless of the length of the frame, no RTS/CTS exchange shall be used. In addition, no ACK shall be transmitted by any of the receipients of the frame.	No need to redefine the To_DS bit, and have the reader have to go and figure out how to determine STA-AP or STA- STA when we could just tell him.	Accept	
196	6.2.8	ZJ	t	N	Add to third paragraph: "and may be bridged through a	The standard currently does not	Declined - this adds no clarity, and	

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				portal function to other stations operating on non-802.11	describe a way of talking <i>through</i> an	is not specified for any other type
				LANS"	AP to a non-802.11 station, even	of data anywhere else in the
					though that is clearly the point of an	document. We are not defining or
10.5					AP.	assuming anything about Portals.
197	6.2.8.	FMa	t	Broadcast/multicast are almost guaranteed to be NOT	Isn't this a serious problem?	Accept
				delivered, since the time following a beacon is likely to		1
				be flooded with asynch upbound traffic (in the		
				absence of a CF period). A possible solution to make		
				broadcast go from almost guaranteed failed delivery		
				(assuming a few STA with traffic to send) to "pretty		
				good" delivery is to require the use of the PIFS to		
				send broadcast/multicast (i.e. force an "unannounced"		
				CF period after every beacon that has		
				broadcast/multicast to be sent) - this would make		
				PIFS capability a requirement of APs.		
				An alternative is that a <i>portion</i> of the PCF could be		
				required - i.e. AP would set a PCF period, and would		
				only use it for multicast traffic. If there was no		
				multicast, then it would send CF-end.		
				Broadcast/multicast are now only lost by adjacent		
				interfering BSS's, other ISM devices and noise		
				sources.		
				Another option is to turn off all other TIM bits when		
				SID=0 is set. This prevents most PS-POLL traffic		
				from interfering with the multicasts, but does not		
				prevent asynchronous up-traffic from interfering.		
				Another option is for the AP to choose at random, the		
				address of an associated STA and send the RTS for a		
				multicast frame to that STA. The DATA frame would		
				then contain the multicast address and would be		
				received by all appropriate STA - no ACK would be		
				sent, but at least the NAVs of STA would prevent the		
				majority of collisions. Alternatively, an ACK could be		
				generated by the lucky STA that was randomly		
				selected - although this doesn't really prove that all		
10-				STA got the frame.		
198	6.2.9	BA	E	Change "To AP" to "To DS"	Consistency	Accept

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199	6.2.9	BSi	e		Change ToAP to ToDS	ToAP bit now named ToDS	Accept
200	6.2.9	RJa	E		Change "To AP" to "To DS"	Consistency	Accept
201	6.2.9	HC	t	N	 6.2.9 ACK Procedure An ACK frame shall be generated as shown in the frame exchanges listed in subclause 4.4. Upon successful reception of a data or management frame with the To_DSToAP bit set, of a type which requires acknowledgement, an AP shall always generate an ACK frame. An ACK frame shall be transmitted by the destination STA which is not an AP whenever it successfully receives a unicast data frame or management of a type which requires acknowledgement, but not if it receives a broadcast or multicast data frame of such type. The transmission of the ACK frame shall commence after an SIFS period without regard to the busy/free state of the medium. The Source STA shall wait an Ack_timeout amount of time without receiving an Ack frame before concluding that the MPDU failed. This policy induces some probability that a frame-in a neighboring BSA (using the same channel) could be corrupted by the generated ACK. However if no ACK is returned because a busy medium was detected, then it is guaranteed that the frame would be interpreted as in error due to the ACK timeout, resulting in a retransmission. The Source STA shall wait an Ack frame before concluding that the MPDU failed. 	 [1] No To_AP bit [2] It's not as simple as just ACK management or data frames (at least because of PS-POLL which gets ack sometimes and data other times) [3] Not just neighboring BSA. More likely a STA which is hidden from the source but not the destination in transfer of data which is shorter than aRTS_Threshold. [4] Move the last paragraph up - as it is it appears that the policy of waiting a ACK_Timeout is what the last paragraph refer to. 	Accept
202	6.2.9	HC	Т	N	The transmission of the ACK frame shall commence after an SIFS period if the medium is free. If the medium is	If the medium is free after the SIFS it	Rejected again - as previous comment

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					busy the transmissin of the MPDU failed and must be	make no difference either way.	
					retried.without regard to the busy/free state of the		
					medium.	If the medium is busy and the STA is	
						able to sense that then sending the	
	[ACK guarentees both transactions will	
						fail If you don't transmit at least the	
						and if you don't transmit at least the	
						other guy will get his done.	
						If you think that you will get false busy	
1. C						so much that this will be a problem, I	
	1					suggest you have bigger problems than	
						this!	
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203	6.2.9	BD	T	N	Upon successful reception of a data or management frame	minor corrections.	Accept - with the changes made
					with the To_DSAP bit set, an AP shall always		from comment 201
					This policy induces some probability that a pending frame		
					in a neighboring BSSA (using the same channel)		
204	6.2.9	BTh	t	N	change 1st paragraph	No such thing as ToAP bit.	Accent - with the changes made
					with the ToAP DS bit set	The sentence as written was not correct	from commont 201
	,				An ACK frame shall be transmitted by the destination	The AP exception applies only for	from comment 201
					STA which is not an AP whenever it successfully receives	broadcast and multicast as re written	
					a unicast data frame or management frame, but except if	broadcast and muticast as it-witten.	
					the STA is an AP not if it receives a broadcast or		
					multicast data frame		
205	620	71	+	N	Define Aels Timeset same 1		
205	6.2.9	2.J 71	<u>ا</u>		Denne Ack_Timeout somewhere.	Should be in the MIB.	Accept
200	0.2.9	2.1	ι		Rephrase first paragraph to agree with current mechanism	There is no such thing as a ToAP bit.	Accept - with the changes made
007	(0)	IIC			for determining whether the AP should ACK frames.		from comment 201
207	6.2.x	HC	Т	N	Insert new section:	Especially with broadcast it must be	Reject - see table 4-5, the use of
						pointed out that this is true, otherwise	the address fields changes
					6.2.x Operation with the To_DS Bit	STAs can receive the same broadcast	according to the to DS bit and
						twice. Also, STA's must be sure to use	takes care of this
					When a STA which is not an AP receives any frame with	the virtual carrier sense information	
					the To DS bit set, it shall consider that it is not the	from these frames.	
					the To_DS bit set, it shall consider that it is not the destination for that frame, even if the destination address	from these frames.	

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					broadcast/multicast.		
					The STA shall use the duration information in the frame up updates its NAV.		
208	6.3	BTh	е		Change twice (CF-pPoll) change <odd capital="" character="" o="">"piggyback"<odd capital="" o<br="">character> <odd capital="" character="" o="">"AP"<odd capital="" character="" o=""> add spaces in 6.3.3.3. As shown by this scheme. In active correct a PC<hyphen><hyphen>capable AP a non<hyphen><hyphen>zero value.</hyphen></hyphen></hyphen></hyphen></odd></odd></odd></odd>	Sometimes MAC generated stuff doesn't translate to PC too well. Also some typos.	Accept
209	6.3	ws	е		Paragraph one - piggyback - wierd letters around it		Accept
210	6.3	ws	e		Paragraph two - AP - wired letters around it.		Accept
211	6.3	DW	e		Last sentence first paragraph, replace " those	Current text is confusing.	Accept
_					stations." by " non-CF-Aware stations.	_	Roopt
212	6.3	ZJ	E	N	stations." by " non-CF-Aware stations. Fix Macintosh character-set weirdness.	All the quotation marks come out as O with circumflexes in my printout	Accept

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					An active Point Coordinator <u>need not be must</u> be located at an AP, which restricts PCF operation to infrastructure networks. However, there is no requirement that a distribution system be attached to this AP, which permits a station capable of AP and PC functionality to be designated as the OAPO in an isolated BSS. PCF is activated at a PC-capable <u>STAAP</u> by setting the aCFP_Max_Duration managed object to a non-zero value.		
214	6.3	НС	t	N	third sentance, first paragraph: The operating characteristics of the PCF are such that all stations are able to operate properly in the presence of a BSS in which a Point Coordinator is operating, and, if associated with a point-coordinated BSS, are able to receive <u>alldata and management</u> frames sent under PCF control. .	Control frames too, especially since the CF-End is a control frame	Accept
215	6.3	HC	Т	N	Don't have any suggested text, because I don't know the answers to the questions to the right.	Is RTS_Threshold ignored during the CFP?	Accept - the PC ignores it, stations may still use it. Added a sentance that says you don't use RTS/CTS in the CEP
216	6.3	HC	Т	N	General, No text, only a question.	How is retransmission of CF-Polls handled? This needs to be specified.	Reject - figure 6-17 and 6.3.3.1 explains it well enough.
217	6.3	SKy	t	N	An active Point Coordinator must be located at an AP, which restricts PCF operation to infrastructure networks. However, there is no requirement that a distribution system be attached to this AP, which permits a station capable of AP and PC functionality to be designated as the ÒAPÓ in an isolated (not independent) BSS.	The "isolated" BSS here can cause confusion with an Independent BSS. An AP which is not physically attached to a Distribution System still possesses and thus can provide the DS Service function.	Accepted in spirit, handled by response to comment 213
218	6.3	BD	T	N	An active Point Coordinator shallmust be located at an AP, which restricts PCF operation to infrastructure	Technical clarification.	Accepted in spirit, handled by

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219	6.3	FMi	t	N	networks. However, there is no requirement that a distribution system be attached to this AP, which permits a station capable of AP and PCF functionality to be designated as the "OAP"O for the in an isolated BSS, technically creating an ESS (with a degenerate DS). PCF is activated at a PCFcapable AP by setting the aCFP_Max_Duration managed object to a nonzero value. Incorporate changes from Clause 8 of document 95–222, which updates some PCF functions for consistency with other changes to the MAC, clarifying some ambiguous issues regarding the interaction of PCF and DCF, backoffs, retries, and power save mode. NOTE: This update starts from the "correct" 6.3, as updated by 95–174. Accordingly, if this recommendation is adopted, there is no need to separately apply the updates from 95–174 and the updates from Clause 8 of 95–222.	Consistency, especially with the MAC State Machines, power save mode, and the removal of the scattered vestiges of connection services and time-bounded services (without removing the mechanisms to support connections and TBS in the future).	Accept - some changes made, some conficted with other comment changes. See resulting clause text.	
220	6.3	SKy	t	N	An active Point Coordinator must be located at an AP, which restricts PCF operation to infrastructure networks. However, there is no requirement that a distribution system be attached to this AP, which permits a station capable of AP and PC functionality to be designated as the ÒAPÓ in an isolated (not independent) BSS.	The "isolated" BSS here can cause confusion with an Independent BSS. An AP which is not physically attached to a Distribution System still possesses and thus can provide the DS Service function.	Accepted in spirit, handled by response to comment 213	
221	6.3	Smr	Т	N	Removeal of section 6.3	The definitions of two MACs defined in the standard conflicts with 802.11 PAR in the need to develop a single MAC to operate over multiple PHYs. The need for Time Bound services is in the 802.11 PAR. Since no connection is made in the standard from any Time Bounded services to the PCF functionality, the need for a second MAC is not justified.	Declined - there are not two MACs. The PCF is a set of frame exchanges which execute by DCF rules. The PCF features are added to the DCF for optional use by implementations which find they have need for contention free data transfer.	

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							The PAR requires support of "voice", which can be accomplished using the DCF or PCF, it is up to the implementer.
222	6.3.1	BTh	е		add space controls frame transfer, as shown in change <odd capital="" character="" o="">"DTIM"<odd capital="" o<br="">character> change 3 times CFP<<u>hyphen><underscore></underscore></u>Rate</odd></odd>	typos Sometimes MAC generated stuff doesn't translate to PC too well. The underscore seems to be more consistent with the style.	Accept
223	6.3.1	ws	е		Paragraph one - DTIM with wierd letters around it		Accept
224	6.3.1	RMr	t		The PCF Element in all beacons at the start of, or within, a CFP contain a non-zero value in the CFP_Dur_Remaining field. This value, in units of <u>kmicrosecondsmilliseconds</u> , specifies the maximum time from the transmission of this beacon to the end of this CFP.	Changed for consistency with 4.3.2.5.	Accept
225	6.3.1	ZJ	е	N	Replace "PCF Element" with "CF Parameter Set Element" throughout	No such thing as a PCF Element.	Accept
226	6.3.1	HC	t	N	paragraph before figure 6-25, 4th sentance: This value, in units of <u>1024 microseconds</u> (<u>Kµsec</u>)milliseconds, specifies the maximum time from the transmission of this beacon to the end of this CFP.	mismatched unit	Accept with resolution of comment 224
227	6.3.1	НС	t	N	first sentance after figure 6-14: The PC generates CFPs at the Contention-Free Repetition Rate (CFP-Rate), which is defined as a number of beacon intervals, but shall always be an integral number of DTIM intervals, as defined by <u>aDTIM Interval</u> .	corresponds to a change I specified in clause 8, because subclause 8.2.1.4 refers to DTIM_Interval which was not defined	Accept by changing "DTIM Interval" to aDTIM_Intervals

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					using the DCF Ack mechanism.		
233	6.3.2.1	BTh	e		change CFP <hyphen><u><underscore></underscore></u>Rate Ack<u>CK</u></hyphen>	Style consistency	Accept
234	6.3.2.1	HC	t	N	first paragraph: At the nominal beginning of each CFP, the PC shall sense the medium. When the medium is free (both CCA and NAV) for one PIFS interval, the PC shall transmit a beacon frame containing a <u>CF Parameter SetPCF Element</u> with CFPRate and CFP_Dur_Remaining fields, and set as specified above. <u>a</u> -A DTIM element is also required in this beacon frame. The CFP Rate field shall contain the number of beacon intervals until the next CFP. The CF Dur Remaining shall contain the length, in Kµsec, of the maximum duration of CFP which may be generated by this PC. The DTIM element shall describe for which <u>STA the PC has traffic buffered. Using the information in the DTIM, CF-aware STA shall determine whether or not the PC has traffic buffered for them.</u>	'as specified above' didn't quit cover it. This section is supposed to be explaining the fundamental access procedure.	Accept the intent, modify text to remove description of of fields because this is repetition of etxt in clause 4.
235	6.3.2.1	HC	Τ	N	After the initial beacon frame, the PC <u>shall</u> waits for one SIFS interval then transmit <u>one of the following:s either a</u> Data frame, a CF-Poll frame, a Data+CF-Poll frame, or a CF-End frame. If <u>thea null</u> CFP is <u>null</u> , i.e. there is no <u>traffic buffered and no polls to send at the PC,desired</u> , a CF-End frame shall be transmitted immediately after the initial beacon.	This behavior cannot be left to the discretion of the implementer. CF- aware STA are expecting a CF as they were to in the last CFP beacon. They must be informed that they are still in sync, the next CFP is expected, but there was nothing to do this time.	Accept
236	6.3.2.2	BTh	e		change This setting of the NAV also minimizes eliminates<u>reduces</u> the risk of hidden	Minimizes might be correct but both are not and reduces is really the absolutely correct word.	Accept
237	6.3.2.2	MB	e		Define TBTT in 1st paragraph, 1st sentencePCF element in beacons) at each Target Beacon Transmission Time (TBTT)		Accept

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238	6.3.2.2	ws	e		1st paragraph last sentence. This setting of the NAV also minimizes climinates the risk of hidden Paragraph one - "minimizes eliminates" should read		Accept
239	6.3.2.2	DW	e		Delete " eliminates" in the last sentence of the first paragraph.	The probability is minimized rather then eliminated, because hidden stations can still cause problems.	Accept
240	6.3.2.2	DW	Т		Last paragraph, reset NAV. Is it intentionally that the NAV is only reset in other stations of the same BSS, and not in other BSSs.		Accept - yes it is intentional
241	6.3.2.2	HC	Т	N	Don't know how to put this into suggested text.	What if STA is in the middle of some frame exchange and the TBTT expires? Does the STA have to remember that until the end of the exchange (checking the NAV would be the equivalent of sensing the carrier which is not supposed to be done in the middle of a frame exchange), and then update the NAV with some kind of adjusted CF_Max_Duration?	Declined: there is no problem created.
242	6.3.2.2	HC	Т	N	 last paragraph: The PC shall transmit a CF-End or CF-End+Ack frame at the end of each CF-Period. If a STA receivesReceipt of either of these frames shall reset the NAV of all stations in the BSS from the PC which is in the BSS for which the TBTT was the cause of setting the NAV, it shall clear the NAV. If a STA receives either of these frames from the PC which sent the beacon which contained the CF Rem Duration to which the NAV was set, regardless of BSS, it shall clear the NAV. When a STA receives a beacon frame which starts a CF 	If the NAV is going to be set by CF Periods in other BSSs, then STAs which must match up CF-Ends with the BSS which actually caused their NAV to be set. For example, if I get a beacon from BSS 1 that says 2 msec CF Period, then a beacon from BSS 2 that says 10 msec CF Period, I better not clear the NAV on the CF-End from BSS 1. Also, if I get a beacon from BSS 1 that	Reject - the NAV is not set by the CF information from anothr BSS.

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					Period, it shall compare the CF Rem Duration in that beacon frame to the current value of the NAV. If the NAV is already set to busy for longer than CF Rem Duration, the NAV shall not be changed. A STA shall not clear its NAV on receipt of a CF-End or CF-End+Ack frame from any source but the PC of the BSS which caused the NAV to be set.	says 10 msec, then a beacon from BSS that says 1 msec, I must not change the NAV due the the second beacon. I must also not change the NAV when the CF- End from BSS 2 arrives.		
243	6.3.2.2		Τ	Ν	Don't have any suggested text, because I don't know the answers to the questions to the right.	 What does non CF-aware mean? Does non-CF-aware STA know enough to preset its NAV at TBTT (which is what this subclause says)? Does a non-CF-aware STA know enough to interpret the CF Parameter Set in a beacon and set its NAV according to CF_Rem_Duration? If either or both of the above is true, when a non-CF-aware STA is sent data by the PC, it ignore its NAV and responds with an ACK. What if the PC sends it an RTS, does it ignore the Nav and send a CTS? If either or both of the above is true, it should also be requried to understand CF-End and CF_End+Ack to allow it to clear its NAV in a timely manner. 	Accept - the annswer is you don't respond to polls and don'thave to do pigy-backing if you are non-CF Aware.	
244	6.3.2.2	BD	Т	N	This setting of the NAV also minimizes eliminates the risk of hidden stations sensing a DIFS gap during the CFP and possibly corrupting a transmission in progress	Correction.	Accepted in spirit by response to comment 236	
245	6.3.2.2	DW	Т	Y	The length of the CFP_Max_Duration needs to be	The CFP_Max_Duration needs to be	Reject - we make no assumptions	

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	6.3.3.4				limited to prevent that a PCF can claim the medium, and delay Contention period traffic so long that higher layers will timeout and start retransmissions.	limited so that stations that only operate in the Contention period have a high probability that they can transfer a frame within the timeout periods that are used at higher layers. A limitation to approx. 200 msec is assumed to achieve that goal. The maximum of 255 msec as yielded by a one octet range migth be acceptable.	about upper layers. Implementations should ensure that they function in their intended environment. Also, CFP_Max_duration is controlled by medium_occupancy_limit, to which a maximum was added as a result of comment 258
246	6.3.3	MRo	e		typo in transfer for caption of figure 6-17.		Accept
247	6.3.3.		t	N	The figure should reflect that: (1) the NAV was set to CF_Max_Duration at the TBTT. In this figure it seems to be in the PIFS - that's not possible is it? The PIFS starts at the TBTT if the medium is free then. Or does the PC start a PIFS at TBTT minus PFS? (2) on receipt of the beacon the NAV is changed to CF_Rem_Duration.	figure not accurate	Reject - the figure illustrates the case here the beacon went out exactly at TBTT. Will change figure to show this.
248	6.3.3.1	HC	e		The the CFP ends when the CFP_Max_Duration time has elapsed since the last Beacon or when the PC has no further frames to transmit nor stations to poll.	duplicated word	Accept
249	6.3.3.1	BTh	e		 in 1st paragraph delete which starts-of the CFP in this section change Ack to ACK 4 times These stations acknowledge receipt with AekCK frames after and SIFS gap frame by sending an AekCK frame after a SIFS gap. station does not return the AekCK frame CF-Ack (no data) or an AekCK frame. 	incorrect, unnecessary word ACK is correct style typo	Accept
250	6.3.3.1		e		2nd paragraph, 2nd sentence		Accept

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251 252	6.3.3.1 6.3.3.1	ws DW	e E		These stations acknowledge receipt with ACK frames after and a SIFS gap, as with the DCF last paragraph, first sentence The the CFP ends Last paragraph - "The the" Delete "(CCA only, not NAV)" in the first sentence. This frase should be moved to the next sentense after "PIFS gap". An alternative is that we assume that in the PC the NAV is cleared at the start of the CFP.	double word The intend is that if a response is expected, then the PC will monitor the medium (CCA only, not NAV) for PIFS, after which it concludes that the expected response did not come in, so that it can proceed with the next frame in line.	Accept Accept
253	6.3.3.1	RMr	t		Middle of fourth paragraph from the end: The PC may use the CF-Ack subtypes to acknowledge a received frame even if the Data frame sent with the CF- Ack subtype is addressed to a different station than the one being acknowledged. <u>This can only occure if the</u> <u>acknowledged frame/fragment was marked as "Last</u> <u>fragment" in the frame control.</u>	Clarify behavour of PC when receiving fragmented frames, during CFP.	Accept
254	6.3.3.1	нс	Т	N	 Modify the frame type descriptions: Data, used to send data from the PC when the addressed recipient is not being polled and there is nothing to acknowledge; Data+CF-Ack, used to send data from the PC when the addressed recipient is not being polled and the PC needs to acknowledge the receipt of a frame received from a CF-Aware station an SIFS interval before starting this transmission; Data+CF-Poll, used to send data from the PC when the 	CF-Poll, CF-Poll+CF-Ack, and CF-Ack all state that they can only be used when either there is no more buffered data for the STA (or CF-Ack if it is the end of the CFP). I don't think we should palce this restriction on the implementation. If I have 3 MSDUs buffered for a STA, I should be allowed to only send one of them this CFP. I may want to be most fair and service as many different STAs as possible rather than give all my time to one of them. Also, I may wish to have only one	Accept

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255	6.3.3.1	НС	t	N	first paragraph after frame list: The PC may transmit Data or management frames to non-CF-Aware, non-Power Save stations during the CFP.	CFP is only allowed after a beacon with a DTIM. Power save stations must be awake for DTIMs, so any station can be sent data during the CFP.	Declined - this is incorrect.	
256	6.3.3.2	НС	Т	N	The PC shall interpret the duration field of the frame sent by the STA to which the CF-Poll was sent, and The PC may shall resume transmitting as soon as a PIFS gap after the expected time for the Ack frame if, during the PIFS, the PC has not received any frame from the STA to which the CF-Poll was sent. If another frame was sent by this STA (to any destination) the PC shall again use the duration field in that frame and wait a PIFS after the expected ACK. This shall repeat until the PC pass a PIFS without receiving any frame from the STA to which the CF-Poll was sent. Frames received by the PC, during the time it is waiting for the STA to which the CF-Poll was sent, from any STA other than that STA, shall be ignored. (the PC cannot resume after an SIFS gap because the station- to station frame may be fragmented).	For the PC to know when it should start its post-Ack PIFS it must interpret duration information in frames (which could be other than Data/Ack) it can see from the STA to which the CF-Poll was sent. But the PC must listen only to the Sta to which CF-Poll was sent, otherwise it is in danger of letting someone block out its CFP. If the PC hears a frame while it is waiting the duration or PIFS for the STA-STA exchange to complete it must ignore that and transmit right over it if necessary (just as it would do if the STA-STA exchange was not going on - it doe snot do carrier sense in the CFP).	Reject - would take a complex change to fix an unusual problem which will not ocur often	
257	6.3.3.3	BTh	e		change and their CFP <hyphen><underscore></underscore></hyphen> Rates the PC shall use a random backoff delay (overwith CW <u>in</u> the range of 1 to CW_min)	Style consistency Original text not explicit as to what the range 1 to CWmin was for.	Accept	
258	6.3.3.3	DW	Т	N	I think that aMedium_Occupancy_limit should be a constant defined in the MAC, rather then a variable. A limit of 200 msec or Kusec is suggested.	The actual used value is already defined by CFP_Max_Duration, which just needs to be limited.	Accepted in spirit - a maximum value has been added to aMedium_Occupancy_Limit in clause 8.	
239	0.3.3.3	HC	t	N	To further reduce the susceptibility to inter-PCF collisions, the PC shall require the medium be free for <u>a</u> <u>DIFS plus</u> a random (over range of 1 to CW_min) number of slot times once every <u>aMedium_Occupancy_Limit milliseconds during the</u>	A DIFS plus a random number of slots is the period for which the DCF STA need to see the medium free before it will transmit.	Accept	

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260	6.3.3.4	НС	E		second paragraph: The minimum value for aCFP_Max_Duration, if the PCF is going to be used, is two times aMax_MPDU plus the time required to send the initial Beacon frame and the CF-End frame of the CFP. This allows sufficient time for the AP to send one Data frame to a station, while polling that station, and for the polled station to respond with one Data frame.	remove the phrase "if the PCF is going to be used", it is redundant.	Accept
261	6.3.3.4	BTh	е		change RTS/CTS amd Aek <u>CK</u> frames	Style consistency	Accept
262	6.3.3.4	нс	Т	N	third paragraph: The maximum value for aCFP_Max_Duration <u>shall be</u> <u>calculated according to the following formula:is the</u> <u>duration of aCFP_Rate minus aMax_MPDU plus the</u> time required for the RTS/CTS and Ack frames associated with this MSDU when operating with default <u>size contention window. This allows sufficient time to</u> <u>send at least one contention based Data frame.</u> (<u>aCFP_Rate*aBeacon_Period) -</u> (<u>aDIFS+(aSlot_Time*aCW_max)</u>) <u>This allows sufficient time for any DCF STA to seize the</u> <u>medium between CFPs. If a DCF STA does seize the</u> <u>medium, by the PCF rules the PC must defer beacon</u> <u>transmission until the frame exchange is complete.</u>	The purpose of the maximum CF_Max_Duration is to make sure that the PCF doesn't lock out the DCF entirely. The PC need only free the medium for as long as it would take some DCF station to seize it. Between CCA and the NAV, the PC will defer ceacon transmission until the DCF stations have finsihed their frame exchange. This way, if there are no DCF only stations the PC looses a minimum amount of time.	Reject - this will in fact make the situation progressively worse. Changes made to set a maximum limit on aMedium_Ocupancy_Limit and force a DIFS each time will fix this.
263	6.3.3.4	ZJ	Т	N	Define a limit to how long the CFP can be. I suggest less than 5 DTIM intervals	Ridiculously long CFPs can effectively squeeze out non-CF-aware traffic	Reject - solved by setting a maximum on aMedium_Occupancy_Limit in response to comment 258

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264	6.3.3.4, 8.4.4.2	HCH C	Т	Ν	second paragraph: The minimum value for aCFP_Max_Duration, if the PCF is going to be used, is two times aMax_MPDU plus the time required to send the initial Beacon frame and the CF-End frame of the CFP. This allows sufficient time for the AP to send one Data frame to a station, while polling that station, and for the polled station to respond with one Data frame.shall be calcualted using the following formula: aRTS_Time+aSIFS+aCTS_Time+ ((aSIFS+aFragmentation_Threshold+ aSIFS+aACK_Time) *(aMax_MSDU/aFragmentation_Threshold)_) +aPIFS This ensures that when a STA sets its NAV to CF_Max_Duration at TBTT, that NAV does not come clear before the PC gets a chance to access the medium to send the beacon containg the CF_Rem_Duration which changes that NAV to the actual PCF duration. If adopted, the above change also requies the addition to aRTS_Time to the lists in subclauses 8.4.1.2.2, 8.4.2.2.1 and 8.4.3.2.2, and definition as follows: 8.4.4.2.x aRTS_Time RTS_Time ATTRIBUTE WITH APPROPRIATE SYNTAX integer: BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS "This attribute indicates the length of time it takes to transmit a RTS frame."; REGISTERED AS { iso(1) member-body(2) us(840)	This paragraph addresses minimum CF_Max_duration as if its purpose is to make sure implementations are built which ensure a certain amount of CF traffic may pass. I don't beleive this should be so. If I want to build an implementation where the CF_Max_Duration only allows one data transfer, or even small number of small MPDUs, I should be allowed to. Given that, then it seems the point of a minimum CF_Max_Duration is to make sure that stations which set their NAVs to CF_Max_Duration at TBTT do not clear them before the beacon containing CF_Dur_Remaining is actually sent.	Reject - it doesn't hurt anything to leave it as is. The formula as suggested is incorrect, so it would have been rejected anyways.

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					<u>ieee802dot11(10036) MAC(1) attribute(7)</u> <u>rts_time(33) };</u>		
265	6.3.3.5	BTh	e		Change CF-aware three times CF-a <u>A</u> ware change in 1st paragraph as wi llth all ACK frames.	Style consistency typo	Accept
266	6.3.3.5	BSi	t	N	The text in this section describes how management frames may be sent by a station in response to Data+CF-Poll. It is not described how the management frame carries an implicit ACK in this instance.	A management frame cannot carry an implicit ACK in the current specification.	Accept
267	6.3.4	HC	E		Remove section 6.3.4	I don't see what its there for, there a lots of things we don't do, we don't list them all.	Accept
268	6.3.4	BTh	e		add contention period, and connection-oriented traffic	typo	Accept
269	6.3.5	BTh	e		change and Probe Response management frames (which are sent from APs< <u>comma><period> (any such frames</period></u>	Text wasn't a sentence.	Accept
270	6.3.5 6.3.5.2	DW	Т	Y	The Capability bit definitions seem incomplete. According to 6.3.5.2, a station must be able to say: - I want to be on Polling list as long as associated. - I never want to be on polling list (but CF-Aware) - I am capable to react on Polls, so dynamic polling list is possible. All the above are CF-Aware, while 3 other configurations need to be possible. It is suggested to code this in an extra bit.	The distinction in bitdefinitions between AP and Station is correct.	Accept
271	6.3.5.1	MB	e		Don't understand the first sentence.		Accept
272	6.3.5.1	ws	e		first paragraph - "station during each station begins when" should read "station when there"	extra words	Accept
273	6.3.5.1	DW	E		Clarify the first sentence. Seems some text is missing.		Accept

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274	6.3.5.1 6.3.5.1	BTh HC	E T	N N	change at least one station during each station begins <u>a CFP</u> when there are entries in the polling list. <u>Stations using time-</u> bounded service shall be polled first if required to meet their service requirements. The PCF shall The PC shall send a CF-Poll to at least one station during	Sentence didn't make any sense. The time-bounded service stations need priority in polling to make sure they get their data delivery timing satisfied. [1] Remove the first sentance because it	Accept Accepted in spirit. text changes	
					each station begins when there are entries in the polling list. The PCF shall issue polls to stations who are se entries on the polling list are for reasons other than time- bounded service connections in order by ascending SID value. If there is insufficient time to send CF-Polls to all such entries on the polling list during a particular CFP, the polling <u>shall</u> commences with the next such entry during the next CFP. If the DTIM at the beginning of a CFP indicated traffic for any CF Aware stations using power save mode, that buffered traffic, and polling of those stations occurs, in order by ascending SID, prior to polling of or frame delivery to non-power save stations on the polling list. While time remains in the CFP, the PC may generate one or more CF-Polls to <i>any</i> stations on the polling list. While time remains in the CFP, the PC may send Data or Management frames to <i>any</i> stations. In order to gain maximum efficiency from the contention free period, and the ability to piggyback acknowledgements on successor Data frames in the opposite direction, the PC should generally use Data+CF-Poll and Data+CF-Ack+CF-Poll types for each data frame transmitted while sufficient time for the potential response to the CF-Poll remains in the CFP. The PC may send multiple frames (with or without CF- Polls) to the same station during a single CFP, and may send multiple CF-Polls to a station in cases where time is available and the station indicates that More frames are available and the station indicates that More frames are available in the frame control field of a transmission of the available in the station indicates that More frames are	 isn't a sentance. [2] Remove references to time bounded connections. [3] Do not give priority to power save stations. This is blatently unfair access - if I was a STA manufacturer I would make sure that my STA reported that it was PS so it got better service. This allows a few STAs to hog the bandwidth. Leave it to the implementer to determine how to service his poll list versus downward traffic. [4] There is no 'More' indication anywhere. The PC can certainly do this, but it will have to determine under what circumstances any way it can. 	from 95/222	

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					response to a CF-Poll.		
276	6.3.5.1	КJ	t	N	in the last paragraph, how are more frames indicated since it seems we have eliminated the "more" bit from the control field?Either replace the reserved bit in the control field with a more bit or eliminate the function of indicating more frames are buffered.		Accept - text changes adopted from 95/222
277	6.3.5.1	ZJ	t	N	Add text to explain that the polling list is a temporary subset of associated CF-aware stations, and that it may or may not include stations for whom traffic is currently buffered in the AP (need to change text in 4.3.2.1 if the AP will set TIM bits to indicate that STA will be on the polling list even though they have no traffic buffered).	Polling list is never actually explained in sufficient detail to be comprehensible to mere mortals.	Declined - we do not want to provide the policy for servicing the polling list. The mechanics are provided for implementations to do it themselves.
278	6.3.5.1	ZJ	t	N	Modify text to allow AP to process polling list round- robin.	It sounds like it starts over with the smallest number each CFP. If the CFP is not long enough to poll everyone, nodes with higher SIDs will get starved.	Accept - text changes adopted from 95/222
279	6.3.5.2	BTh	e		in 3rd paragraph change CF-aware 3 times CF- a Aware	Consistency	Accept
280	6.3.5.2	DW	E		The aPoll_Inactivity is not in MIB. Needs to be defined.		Accept
281	6.3.5.2	нс	Т	N	A station <u>shall</u> indicates its CF-Awareness during the Association process. If a station desires to change the PCF's record of CF-Awareness, that station <u>shallmust</u> perform a Reassociation. During Association, a CF- Aware station may also request to be placed on the polling list for the duration of its association , or to never be placed on the polling list. The later is useful for CF- Aware stations that normally use Power Save Mode, permitting them to receive buffered traffic during the CFP (since they have to be awake to receive the DTIM that initiated the CFP), but not requiring them to stay awake to receive CF Polls when they have no traffic to send. If	 [1] Change the first paragraph to match the bits that were defined in 6.3.5 in the capability field. There is no way to indicate <i>never</i> put me on the polling list. [2] Remove paragraph 2 because it is connection stuff. [3] I support the ability of the PC to take CF-Aware STAs on and off the polling list. All CE-Aware stations 	Accepted mostly. See text

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					 <u>a station desires to be removed from the polling list, that station shall perform a Reassociation.</u> Stations that establish connections are automatically placed on the polling list for the duration of each connection. Note that ony CF Aware stations may establish connections, and that connection based services are only available when a PC is operating in the BSS. CF-Aware stations that are not on the polling list due to a static request during Association, and are not excluded from the polling list due to a static request during Association, and are not excluded from the polling list by the PC. The PC monitors CF-aware station activity during both the Contention Free period and the contention period. When a CF-aware station placed on the polling list dynamically has not transmitted a Data frame in response to the number of successive CF Polls indicated in aPoll_Inactivity, then the PCF may delete that station from the polling list. When a CF-aware station not on the polling list. When a CF-aware station not on the polling list. When a CF-aware station from the polling list. When a CF-aware station not on the polling list. When a CF-aware station from the polling list. When a CF-aware station not on the polling list. When a CF-aware station not on the polling list. When a CF-aware station to the polling list. This is illustrated in Figure 6-19. Figure 6-19. 	should be able to support being polled (especially since they do not have the capability fields necessary to specify never poll me). But let the implementation decide on what criteria to put STA on and take them off the polling list. If it is not up to the implementation, then a lot better specification is requried here, including the MIB variables to be used.	
282	6.3.5.2	ZJ	t	N	Delete second paragraph	Connection stuff is not part of this standard yet	Accept
283	6.3.5.2.	RMr	t		Stations that establish connections are automatically placed on the polling list for the duration of each connection. Note that ony CF Aware stations may establish connections, and that connection based services are only available when a PC is operating in the BSS.	Connections were removed from the draft.	Accept
284	6.4	WS	е		last paragraph - "_Lifetime than" should be	wrong word	Corrected

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					"_Lifetime then"		
285	6.4	BA	Т		Last paragraph. Wouldn't it be easier to say if a fragment is transmitted unsuccessfully up to the maximum number of retries that further fragments are not transmitted? Better than another timer.		Declined 1) counters and timers are both counters just of different. 2) timer prevents hoggingmedia since there is no contention between fragments. This would not be true for the propsed rety count. 3) the possible side effects are deemed not worth the change at this time.
286	6.4	RJa	Т		Last paragraph. Wouldn't it be easier to say if a fragment is transmitted unsuccessfully up to the maximum number of retries that further fragments are not transmitted? Better than another timer.		Declined 1) counters and timers are both counters just of different. 2) timer prevents hoggingmedia since there is no contention between fragments. This would not be true for the propsed rety count. 3) the possible side effects are deemed not worth the change at this time.
287	6.4	DW	Т		Delete aMax_MSDU_lifetime and associated timer stuff.	Why do we need an additional Max_Transmit_MSDU_lifetime, while we already have a retry mechanism limit. We need such a mechanism in the Receiver to cleanup unfinished frames that will never be completed, but not in the transmitter.	Declined please see comment 285
288	6.4	SA	Т	N	Remove the possibility of varying fragment sizes. Agrred text included in doc 95/206		95/206 adopted
289	6.4	BA	T	N	First paragraph. The MAC may fragment and reassemble <u>directed MSDUs</u> (including multicast/broadcast packets transmitted with	The current approach to fragment non- ACKed packets will allow slightly more efficient use of the bandwidth since a long broadcast/multicast packet can be	declined Fragmentation is used as a way to increase probbility of getting an MSDU through, it is equally

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l h				1	the To DS bit set)., directed and multicast/broadcast	sent in two parts (before hop boundary	valuable for acked and non-
				1		and after hop boundary). I think it is	acked frames.
						more important that these messages be	
						sent in a way to which maximizes their	
						probability of correct reception. Since	
						they are not ACKed, the message	
						delivery probability will be higher if	
			1.0			they are sent unfragmented. At	
						threshold this difference could be fairly	
						significant since a receiver might be	
						required to successfully detect and	
						demodulate 3 or 4 separate hursts for a	
						long massage	
200	6.4	PD	т	N	The period of a fragment shall be a series at 1 a	tong message.	
290	0.4				The payload of a fragment shall be an even number of	1) WEP shall be applied to an MSDU	Partially adopted. much of
					octets for all fragments except the last. The payload of a	instead of an MPDU - I support doc	comment covered by adoption of
1					fragment shall never be larger than a Fragment_Payload	95/196 and related discussion in Aug	95/206
					(including IV and ICV if WEP wasts invoked for the	95 mtg.	
					MSPDU For purposes of this sub-clause the term MSDU		
					shall be assumed to refer to the MSDU passed into the	Remove the dwell time vs fragment	
					MAC as possibly expanded by WEP.). However, it may	optimization attempt.	
					be less than aFragment_Payload (for the last fragment).		
				0		2) The complexity of attempting to	
- F					When data is to be transmitted, the number of octets in	pre-calculate the remaining time	
					the payload of the fragment shall be determined by	within a dwell boundary in order to	
				1 U	aFragment_Payload.based on the time at which the	try and cram in a few bytes before a	
[]					fragment is to be transmitted for the first time. Once a	hop is a losing proposition. While	
					fragment is transmitted for the first time, its contents shall	one is trying to figure this out, time is	
					be fixed until it is successfully delivered to the immediate	slipping away. The calculation has to	
					receiving station.	include leave time for the receiving	
						station to get the Ack back to you	
					The number of data octets in the payload of a fragment	before the dwell boundary - not	
					shall depend on the values of the following three	something that is easy (possible?) to	
					variables at the instant the fragment is assembled to be	figure out. Now add to this the	
					transmitted for the first time:	additional complexity of deciding	
						whether to use RTS/CTS or not,	
					a) aFragment Pavload	guessing at what's happening at the	
					b) The time remaining in the suprent dwell	receiving end, choice of data rates to	
					o) the thic remaining in the current dwelf		

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					 MSDU). A station must be capable of receiving fragments of varying size for a the last fragment of a single MSDU. If a fragment requires retransmission, its contents and length shall remain fixed for the lifetime of the MSDU at that station. In other words, after a fragment is transmitted once, contents andor length of that fragment are not allowed to fluctuate to accommodate the dwell time boundaries. Let the fragmentation set refer to the contents and length of each of the fragments that make up the MSDU. The fragmentation set is created at a station as soon as the fragments are attempted for the lifetime of the packet at the transmitting station. This is shown in Figure 6-22. < Delete figure 6-22: no longer needed> In the example shown in Figure 6-22, the same 1500 octet MSDU is fragmented at the same point in the dwell time as in Figure 6-21 but the ACK for the second fragment is retransmitted and the fragment size remains 300 octets. 			
291	6.4	FMi	Τ	Ν	Incorporate changes from document 95–206 to require fragmentation to use a uniform size for all fragments of an MSDU other than the final fragment, thereby limiting fragmentation to the function of reducing maximum MPDU size based on PHY constraints, and removing the function of attempting to use fragmention to optimize FH medium usage prior to dwell boundaries. NOTE: This change and the change to the same section from document 95–196 do not interact — since completely different paragraphs are affected	Simplicity and removal of functions unique to a single PHY from the MAC. The reason that fragmentation, which SEVERELY complicates the MAC, was included at all is to accommodate limits on maximum MPDU length (actually PHPDU length) beyond which physical characteristics of the media are likely to degrade frame error rates to unacceptable levels. The added complexity of using fragmentation for dwell boundary optimization is not justifiable. The MAC is complicated	95/206 was adopted. The text was futher modified by adoption of comment 290	

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292	6.4	FMi	Т	N	Incorporate the change listed for Clause 6 from document 95–196, which restores WEP to operating on MSDUs rather than MPDUs. NOTE: This change and the change to the same section from document 95–206 do not interact — since completely different paragraphs are affected.	 for the beneift of a single PHY, yet it is unclear that the purported benefits of dwell optimization are even achievable, because the decision to fragment must be made before the exact amount of time remaining (with actual IFS turnarounds, deferrals, etc.) is known. Furthermore, by requiring all fragments to be of equal, even length (except the final fragment, which may be shorter), memory managment at receiving stations is simplified, because the size of the buffers needed for each fragment of the MSDU is known when the first fragment is received. This can also reduce the overhead for reassembly, especially when WEP is in use. See document 95–187 for the reasons WEP should be applied to MSDUs. 	Declined 95/196 was rejected. WEP is applied to MPDUs.
293	6.4	KJ	t	N	see document 95-196	NOTE: this affects comment on section 4.2.2.1	Declined 95/196 was rejected. WEP is applied to MPDUs.
294	6.4	RJa	T	N	First paragraph. The MAC may fragment and reassemble <u>directed MSDUs</u> (including multicast/broadcast packets transmitted with the To DS bit set)., directed and multicast/broadcast	The current approach to fragment non- ACKed packets will allow slightly more efficient use of the bandwidth since a long broadcast/multicast packet can be sent in two parts (before hop boundary and after hop boundary). I think it is more important that these messages be	Declined see comment 289

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						sent in a way to which maximizes their		

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295	0.4	ZJ	T	N	Adopt text from submission 95/206	Dwell-time fragmentation hacking is icky	95/206 adopted
296	6.4	DW	T	Y	Implement the changes as documented in document 95/206. The second to last paragraph In this document needs to remain, so should not be deleted, and need to be generalized so that it does address both the transmission and retransmission of a fragment	Complexity of variable sizing is not justified for a small performance optimization which in addition also only applies to one specific PHY.	Accepted
297	6.4	DW	Т	Y	A distinction should be made for the amount of simultaneous receptions of incomplete fragmented frames between an AP and a Station. 6 MSDU's is a good number for an AP. 3 MSDU's are sufficient for a Station.	It should be recognised that it is much more realistic for an AP to have multiple unfinished fragmented MSDUs pending then in a Station. In addition under normal sircomstances an MSDU will be finished before the next is transmitted by any other station, as long as no fragments are in error. That is when other stations may regain acces to the medium to send out their fragment burst. So it will be rare that a total of 6 unfinished MSDUs are outstanding. In a IS station the AP will always finish the burst it was working on before transmitting the next frame to the same station. In ad-hoc there are more simultaneous sources, so more	Declined The possible gain is out weighed by the negative of creating further distinct beten STAs that are Aps and those that are just STAs.

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						MSDUs may be outstanding.	
298	6.5	BTh	t	N	change penultimate paragraph The destination station will maintain a aReceive_MSDU_Ttimer attribute for each MSDU being received. There is also an attribute, aMax_Receive_MSDU-Lifetime, that specifies the maximum amount of time allowed to receive a MSDU. The aReceive_MSDU_Ttimer starts on the reception of the first fragment of the MSDU. If the aReceive_MSDU_Ttimer exceeds aMax_Receive_MSDU_Lifetime thaen all received framents are discarded by the destination station.	There is no need for a MIB variable for the internal MAC MSDU timer. This is just an internal counter. typo	accepted
299	6.5	FMa	t	N	Change "will" to "may" in the first sentence of the second from the last paragraph of the section.	the text indicates that the "destination station will maintain a aReceive_MSDU_Timer attribute for each MSDU being received." For an AP, this could mean maintaining quite a few timers. The term "will" implies "must" and therefore it might be difficult to be compliant in this area.	"may" replaced with "shall" to correct terminology. No quantitative argument given for the change of 6 to 1 for simultaneous MSDUs.
300	6.6	KD	T		Multirate Support The following set of rules must be followed by all the stations to ensure coexistence and interoperability on MultiRate Capable PHYs. <u>All Control Frames (RTS, CTS and ACK) are transmitted</u> on the STATION_BASIC_RATE (which as specified before belongs to the ESS_BASIC_RATE) so they will be understood by all the stations in the ESS. <u>All Multicast and Broadcast Frames are transmitted on</u> the STATION_BASIC_RATE, regardless of their type. <u>Unicast Data and/or Management Frames are sent on any</u> available transmit rate. The algorithm for selecting this rate is implementation dependent and is beyond the scope	Although implementations need not be defined, the standard should include the basic mechanisms to allow all multi-rate compliant devices to determine when it can switch to higher rates. The customer should be able to install a 2 Mbps capable radio into an existing 2 Mbps capable WLAN made by a different manufacturer and have it provide a higher throughput. The current text does not provide any general algorithm nor the mechanisms to enable it to do so. The one dynamic switching method proposed had a patent infringement issue which the committee chose not to tackle. In addition, these dynamic switching algorithms have been shown to have	Declined because the plenary declined to alter the D2.1 multirate mechanisms

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					of this standard.	minimal throughput increases due to the overhead.	
					Management Frames are sent at the ESS_BASIC_RATE to enable stations to determine its compatibility and associate or decline association. All other frames are sent at the BSS_RATE. A BSS associated with a particular AP will have a BSS_RATE defined by a management entity. A station attempting to enter the BSS_must determine if it is capable of communicating at the BSS_RATE before associating.	In light of these problems, the only alternative that can be sufficiently defined for the standard is the non-dynamic, management-defined method of one rate per BSS. The text defines the basic method with mechanisms for roaming and CSMA protocol with non-multiple rate units.	
301	6.6	SA	Т	N	Remove multirate support or make it compulsory.	Multirate support only makes sense	Declined because the plenary
					II	if it is compleary. Otherwise it would	declined to alter the D2 1 multirate
				0		break some of the other functionality	mechanisms
						of the MAC, such as the ability to	moonumsmis
						support a virtual carrier during	
						fragment bursts.	
302	6.6	BD	Т	N	Complete this section by adding sufficient text to	The section does not specify how a	Declined because the plenary
					avoid the potential problems mentioned to the right.	data rate is chosen for Unicast data	declined to alter the D2.1 multirate
						and/or management frames. The	mechanisms
						algorithm is explicitly left as	
						implementation dependent.	
						I believe this to be unacceptable.	
						Without specification of the alg there	
						will be interoperability problems	
						(some of which are called out in D2	
						state machine text in sec 6).	
						What good is a Beacon or probe	
						response frame that is sent at a rate	
						that can not be understood by the	
						station which probed? No mention is	
						made of non-unicast data frames -	
						how are their rate determined? Why	
-						is the alg for rate implementation	
						dependent when at the same time the	
						draft attempts to put rate	
						information in a capability	

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						information field? All this is indication that the multirate ability is not sufficiently specified yet. I see two alternative (either of which are acceptable to me): 1) complete specification of the details of multi-rate operation to a sufficient degree that there are not potential interoperability problems, or 2) remove the incomplete multi-rate abilities from the draft.		
303	6.4	BTh	t	N	change Fragment_Payload 7 times aFragment_Payload Threshold change b) The time remaining in the current dwell time for a FH <u>PHY</u> add b) The time remaining in the current dwell time for a FH <u>PHY</u> add the Sequence Number_will remain the same lowest Fragment Number_to highest change last paragraph The source station will maintain a aTransmit_MSDU_Ttimer attribute for each MSDU being transmitted. There is also an attribute, aMax_Transmit_MSDU_Lifetime, that specifies the maximum amount of time allowed to transmit a MSDU. The aTransmit_MSDU_Ttimer starts on the attempt to transmit_MSDU_Ttimer exceeds aMax_Transmit_MSDU_Lifetime thae all remaining fragments are discarded by the source station and no attempt is made to complete transmission of the MSDU>	Name of MIB variable was changed to Fragment_Threshold. Added FH PHY for clarity. typos There is no need for a MIB variable for the internal MAC MSDU timer. This is just an internal counter.	Accepted	
304	6.6	RJa	Т	N	Need to add the basic rate information to the probe response and beacon messages so that a new station can		Declined because the plenary declined to alter the D2.1 multirate	
305	66			N	The text provide for multirate support is not very.	sometimes impossible for a STA that	eclined because the plenary	

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					clear. Multirate support be better defined or	receives a frame to update its NAV since it declined to alter the D2.1 multirate
			_		eliminated.	can not receive the frame. mechanisms
306	6.6	ZJ	Т	N	Delete requirement that control frames be sent at the rate. Putting the Duration information into the PI header where everyone can hear it solves the prob more cleanly.	 basic Duration information should be part of the PLCP header, not the MAC contents of the frame. Since units communicating at lower speeds cannot receive the MAC contents of a frame transmitted at higher speed, but all stations can receive the PLCP header for all frames (in all PHYs), it is logical to move Duration to where everyone in the BSS can receive it (I don't care if it violates layer purity).
307	6.6	GE	T	X	Remove multirate support for FHSS PHY. This implice there the compared there the compared there capa inter exch put a	s feature is designed to allow proprietary plementations to manipulate this standard. existence of single rate and multirate STA e not been proven. I will not allow a dor to call his system compliant when re is no facility in the protocol to verify operation of this feature. I will change vote when a mechanism has been cribed to allow units supporting multirate abilities to inoperate. My definition of properation is that not only do they hange data, but their effect on through and performance is constant.
308	6.6	MRo	Т	X	Eliminate the word interoperability from the f sentence The following set of rules must be followed by all stations to ensure coexistence and interoperability MultiRate Capable PHYs.	firstWithout a defined algorithm for rate switching, all we have ensured is coexistence of a bunch of proprietary ll the ty-onDeclined - the method of rate supplied is specified in the association process.
309	6.7	HDa	е	N	6–xx	Update figures titles and references accept in text.
310	6.7	BD	Т	N	MAC operation at all stations is described by six communicating state machines. A seventh state machines	The state machines are an attempt to achineaccept with text providedachineadd additional clarification to the

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					is used at APs to provide distribution services. All of these state machines may operate concurrently. The functions of these state machines are summarized below and detailed in the remainder of this clause. In case of conflict between the state machines of this subclause and text in other clauses, the text shall take precedence over the state machines.	MAC operation. However, the MAC operation as decided by 802.11 members is represented by text in the various clauses. This additional statement, makes the precedence clear in case of conflict.			
311	6.7	BSi	T	N	Add somewhere: these state machines are informative only. In case of discrepancy with the textual specification, the latter shall take precidence.	Two forms of specification: text, state machines - need to define what status each has.	Accept with text from comment #310		
312	6.7	FMi	Т	N	Replace clause 6.7 with the updated MAC State Machines from document 95–199.	Correction of numerous errors, inclusion of several omitted functions, many improvements to better match recent MAC changes, removal of the "known limitations" sections, and provision of the missing MAC Management Service state machine.	Accept		
313	6.7	vj	Т	N	update MAC state machines	need correction per doc 95/014r2	accept - already		
314	6.7	ZJ	Т	N	Delete this section. Move it to an informative annex.	It is pointless to have hundreds of pages of text plus state machines that may not agree. The text should rule, and the state machine should just be there to clarify how it all fits together and to convince everyone in the MAC group that we didn't leave anything out.	Reject, moving to annex		
315	6.7	BPh	T,E	N	The entire clause about state machines should be moved to an informative annex.	The state machines are a more formal description of the concepts described in the text. The text will take precedence when there is a discrepancy between the two descriptions The text is what we voted on. The state machines were added at the last minute and will always be out of synch with the text. The state machines also identify those areas where the standard is	Reject moving to annex		

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						unclear and the implementor must	
						make some choices. Again this is	
						appropriate for an annex, but not in	
216		DIV		N7		the main body of the standard.	
310	0.7	שע		Y	The following are a number of State MAchine		Accepted individual points with
					comments already discussed with Michael Fischer		some minor modifications.
					(not exhoustive).		Point 4 rejected since this
					- Rx-Timeout mechanism is not included in CSM.		function is not in the text for the
					- !F_Mbusy in transition C3:1a should be NAV=0	1	standard.
					only.		Reject 9.
					- Random Backoff in Tx when previous frame is just		
					transmitted by this station is not implemented.		The answer to 10 is no.
					- Keset NAV when Medium not busy after		
					CIS_11meout after received K1S in third party		
					stations is not implemented.		
					- No Power Management bit maintenance.		
					- Do not agree with UdpiNA v statement in transition P4.1b Only implement NA V up date to protect of		
					Ack		
					ACK. The More bit is not sufficiently bondled.		
					-Transition M1:1i should not be done for SID-0		
					-Transition M1.11 should not do DS_Doll for BC/MC		
					Do we need T Awake in M11.11d?		
					- Do we need 1_Awake in M11.110.		
317	6.7.1	MB	е		part 5, next to last sentence.		Accept
					The eEach of these queues has a corresponding flag		F-
318	6.7.1	WS	е		first paragraph - "nor to all use a uniform"	poor wording	Reject - wording is fine
319	6.7.2.4	MB	е		MovePSframes description. 1st sentencewith the		Accept
					appropriate addresses and moves those frames		1
					PsMode(macAddr) last sentencemay implement a		
220	(824	DD			this function to always return 1		
320	0.7.3.4	RD	Т	N	Eliminate known deficiencies of the state machines	Mike Fischer is to be commended for	accept but don't know how to fix
	0.7.4.4				and the clauses which call them out.	the effort which went into creating	
	6764					the state machines which are in D2.	
	6774					I particularly welcome the honesty	
	U././.4					which included sections that call out	

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	6.7.8.4					know deficiencies of the state		
	6.7.9.4					machines. These are excellent		
]					editorial notes which point out where		
						more work is needed.	-	
						Of course these deficiencies must be		
	-					corrected before the draft is sent to		
						sponsor ballot and the clauses which		
1						describe the known deficiencies will		
						have to be removed (since they will		
						no longer be relevant) - it would be		
						very embarrassing to forward a		
1						standard which called out known		
						problems in the standard even		
						though this was one of the reasons		
						for including them in the D2 draft, I		
						am still bound to vote NO knowing		
1						that the state machines have known		
						identified flaws <grin></grin>		
321	6.7.4.3	EG	E		remove section	this section references a paper and	Accept	
						discusses future need for re-	1	
						evaluation. It's not appropriate for		
						such a paragraph to be included in		
						the draft.		
322	6.7.5.3	SA	Т	N	There should be DS1:5, similar to DS2:5	There appears to be no reason to	Reject. This is intended to	
1						preclude an AP from forwarding	describe AP behaviour. The	
1						frames from the wired medium to	comment wants to invent a	
						another AP on the wired medium.	bridge from wired to wired.	
323	6.7.6	DM	Т	N	MAC needs to be capable of servicing more than 1 MSDU	802.11 should provide for MSDU reordering.	Good idea but rejected because no text	
					simultaneously. This topic is too complicated for simple text inclusion	This would allow allow for the situation where	provided	
					and should be discussed in committee.	one MPDU of an MSDU is in back-off due to		
1						another MPDU of another MSDU is forwarded to		
						a station that is in good coverage. This is critical		
1						for infrastructure systems. If this is not defined		
1						then all traffic to a BSA from an AP will be held		
1						back due to marginal coverage to one of the STAs The end result is unaccentable 802.11		
1						performance since there will always be devices in		
						the fringe of the BSA. MSDU reordering should		

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						not be allowed on a per destination basis since this could cause incompatibilities with existing NOS'.
324	6.7.6	WR	T	N	The MAC must be able to handle more than one outstanding transmit frame.	This is very important in an infrastructure based system. If an AP is trying to transmit a frame to a STA in poor coverage and it has to backoff and retry, the MAC must be able to transmit another frame.Rejected as above
325	6.7.6.3	MB	e		State C1:1d First sentence delayed due to a medium bus h y condition this	Accept
326	6.7.6.3	SA	t	N	remove ", or no-decryptable WEP frame" in C1:1	a If WEP encryption is at the MSDU level, it is not know whether an MPDU is non-decryptable. Reject. WP is at the MPDU level still
327	6.7.6.3	SA	t	N	I think that the state C2 has to be traversed in C1:	 In C1:3 the contention "There is no need to traverse state C2 in this situation, because" is false, becasue a station could have become disassociated without it's knowledge and its connection ID reassigned. Reject. There is no connection ID assignment involved here.
328	6.7.6.3	SA	t	N	In C3:1a, remove "and the medium is not busy …"	⁷ Upon reception of an RTS, my understanding from the text was that the transmission of the CTS was unconditional.
329	6.7.7.3	BSi	Е		Perhaps need to add a note here (or in section 5 Since a station may pre-authenticate with potenti many APs, each AP may have many times the num of associated stations authenticated with it. Thi implies the presence of a potentially large databa There must therefore be some mechanism for age and reusing authentication resources. If the AI decides that an authentication record of an unassociated station is to be reused, it has no way notifying the station. Thus stations that have preauthenticated with APs must be prepared to h their authentication status silently dropped - th status code not authenticated would be given to association request.	Clarity. Reject - claification not needed here. ally here. nber here. is ase. eing P y of here. nave here. ne here.

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330	6.7.7.3	EG	Е		M2:2d, Detect activity on new channel: If media activity is detected (CCA only) by an active scanning station while awaiting activity indication (probe timer 1 running), this transition is taken to stop probe timer 1 and start probe timer 2, since there is a presumption than poll that probe responses might be received.	I believe we're probing here, not polling.	Accept
331	6.7.7.3	SA	t		Specify awake interval.		Reject. L_Awake value is implementation dependent.
332	6.7.7.3	EG	t		"M1:1h, Process beacon from other BSS: If a beacon from a different BSS is received, this transition is taken to update the NAV (only if a non–null CF period is indicated in the beacon), and to update the list of known APs (only if the beacon is from an infrastructure BSS within the station's ESS)."	only update AP list for those AP's within your ESS	Accept
333	6.7.7.3	SA	t	N	In State M1 description, remove "the use of power save mode, which is only possible by stations associated with an infrastructure BSS".	Power saving is possible in an IBSS and is being added as per doc 95/137r2.	Accepted
334	6.7.7.3	SA	t	N	Must allow multiple PS-Polls in a beacon interval.	A PS-Poll must be sent to receive each buffered frame according to the draft text.	Accept. Must fix paragraph M1:1j to allow multiple PS-Polls without receiving a Data frame. "set=0 to prevent sending multiple PS-Polls without receiving intervening Data frames. Received Data frame will set mTraffic=1 if more frames are buffered and Traffic Indicated state will be reentered as a result."
335	6.7.7.3	SA	t	N	In M1:1r, remove ", and to enter SCAN mode to find another BSS"	I may not wish to scan. I may already have a list of known APs that I wish to try first.	Accept with modifications as noted
336	6.7.7.3	BSi	t	N	Particular IFS time is important in M1:1e	Second sentance of M1:1e is not true.	Accept.

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						Transmission of the beacon could	In M1:1e:
				6		occur immediately if the random	"and CCA, and requires
						backoff value chosen is 0.	medium free for a DIFS time
							before the backoff procedure is
- 225	(=0.0		<u> </u>	<u> </u>			invoked."
357	0.7.8.3	SA	e		The description in T1:2b is only true if encryption is		Accept
	6.000				at the MPDU level.		
338	6.7.9.3	SA	e		The description of R8:9a is based on MPDU level		Accept
					encryption.		
339	6.7.9.3	MB	e		State R1:0 Go to sleep: T When the F_Awake		Accept
340	6.7.9.3	SA	t	N	The text for R3:1b implies that carrier dropout should		Reject. Comment is correct, so
					be used to terminate a frame reception and treat the		is the text
					medium as idle. I think the medium must remain busy		
					until the end of the frame, which is determined by the		
					length field in the PLCP header.		
341	6.7.9.3	SA	T	N	The description for transition R4:1b has to be fixed.	NAV does not guarantee no	Reject. No metnion of NAV
				6		collisions, it just reduces the	guaranteeing no collisions in the
						likelyhood.	text.
342	6.7.9.3	SA	t	N	In R8:9b the received frame shall be discarded if	If a station has WEP enabled, non-	Reject. A new MIB variable was
					WEP is enabled at the receiving STA.	encrypted frames should not be	defined which allows STAs to
						passed up to the LLC.	filter unencrypted frames or
							allow them to be received.
	1						Need to add a condition that uses
							the new MIB variable.
343	6.7.9.3	BSi	Т	N	Delete all reference to updating NAV based on	Length provides only partial	Accept!
					PLCPlength.	information. Poor protocol layering.	
344	Fig 6-4	MB	е		Figure 6-4 and 6-6 are the same figure. One should be		Reject - it is usefull having the
					deleted as redundant		same figure to illustrate 2
							different cncepts.

