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# Multiprotocol: Simplifying the Connected Home









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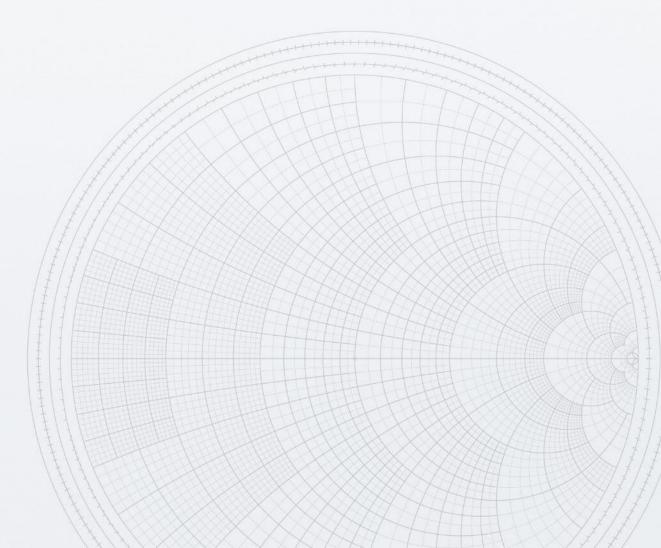
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### Multiprotocol: Why





### Why Multiprotocol?

#### Smart Home Challenges

- One size does not fit all
  - Different protocols for different applications
- Limited Market Adoption
  - Global market penetration estimated to be ~10% of homes
    - Barriers still exist to Smart Home adoption
  - Smart Home continues to be fragmented
    - Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, Zigbee, Thread, Z-Wave, Proprietary and Matter
- Product Complexity for Product Companies and Retailers
  - Managing multiple products based on protocol
  - Product forecast and stocking complexity
- Poor User Experience
  - Product confusion due to number of protocols
  - Product choice may not support the protocol users want

#### Multiprotocol can help overcome these challenges

Cost effectively expanding the ecosystems supported by a single product



### **Common Multiprotocol Use Cases for the Smart Home**

### BLUETOOTH LE + ZIGBEE MULTIPROTOCOL FOR GATEWAYS/HUBS Wi-Fi Router (Border Router) Internet ..... Thread Network / Zigbee Network or both BLUETOOTH LE + SUB-GHZ BLUETOOTH LE + ZIGBEE AND MATTER

### Multiprotocol: What

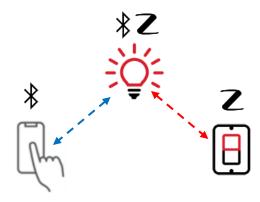


### **Single-Chip Multiprotocol Modes of Operation**

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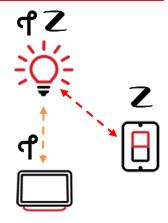
- The device switches between protocols using a bootloader
- Can be used when running two protocols is not an option or on more constrained devices
- Helps to update devices in the field to changing market needs
- Switching time is usually long (~hundreds of ms)
- Not ideal when switching between protocol is needed often or on demand
- Not a common use case

DYNAMIC MULTIPROTOCOL



- The device time-slices between two protocols
- Common when one protocol is deterministic, i.e. Bluetooth LE
- The other protocol needs retry mechanisms
- Can also turn off Bluetooth until needed (i.e. commissioning)
- Time slicing is transparent to user
- Requires more resources to run both protocol stacks
- Requires careful design of scheduler for reliable operation

CONCURRENT MULTIPROTOCOL



- The device is able to receive on multiple 802.15.4 networks
- Can be on a single channel or 2 channels without packet loss
- Typically requires fast switching and rapid preamble detection similar to Antenna Diversity
- Requires more resources to run protocol stacks
- Used for Zigbee+Matter over Thread on hubs

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- The device is able to time slice between BLE, Zigbee and Thread
- Extension of DMP with CMP
- BLE continues to operate in timesliced DMP mode
- CMP (Zigbee + Thread) operates between BLE activity
- Similar to DMP, it has little or no impact BLE performance
- Requires significant resources in Flash and RAM



### Multiprotocol: How



### **Switched Multiprotocol (SMP)**

#### Operation:

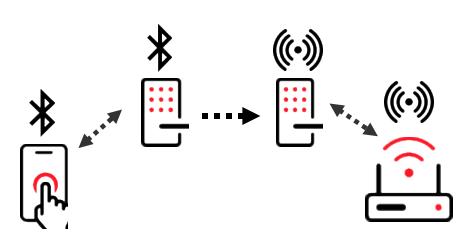
- Device can be instructed to switch to different protocol
  - Loads a new firmware image
- Switches between 2 protocols
- Used when DMP won't work
  - Used when there is no dead time or retry mechanisms
- Does not need any complex scheduler

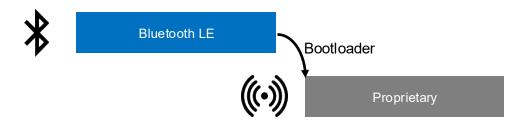
#### Simplicity Studio Sample Applications

N/A – Uses Bootloader

#### Common Use Cases:

- Bluetooth LE Commissioning
- Backwards compatibility or future proofing







### **Dynamic Multiprotocol (DMP)**

#### Operation:

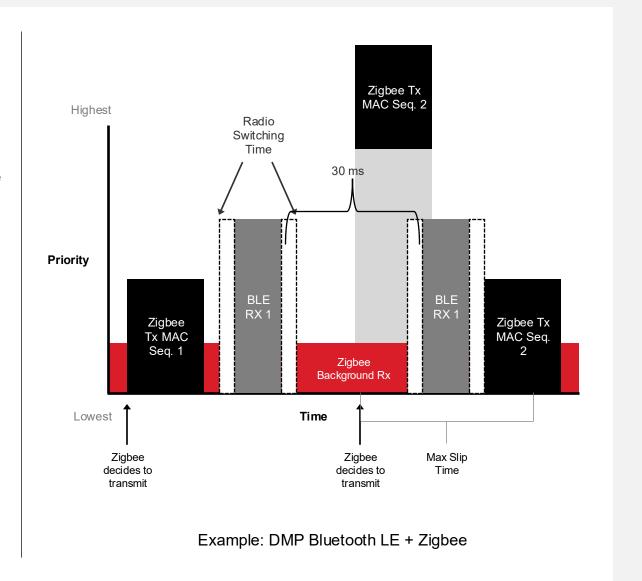
- Radio time-sliced to reliably manage multiple protocols
- Used with Bluetooth LE, in conjunction with a different protocol
- Managed by RAIL Scheduler
  - Uses MP RAIL library and RTOS
  - Typically, Bluetooth LE operations get a higher priority but is configurable
- Radio switching time in the order of hundreds of  $\mu$ s
  - Has been improved in our Series 3

#### Simplicity Studio Sample Applications

- Bluetooth LE+Zigbee
- Bluetooth LE+Thread
- Bluetooth LE+Proprietary 2.4 GHz
- Bluetooth LE+Proprietary Sub-GHz

#### Common Use Cases:

- Multiple protocol support (Bluetooth is a fall back)
- Commissioning / device onboarding
- Network diagnostics or firmware updates





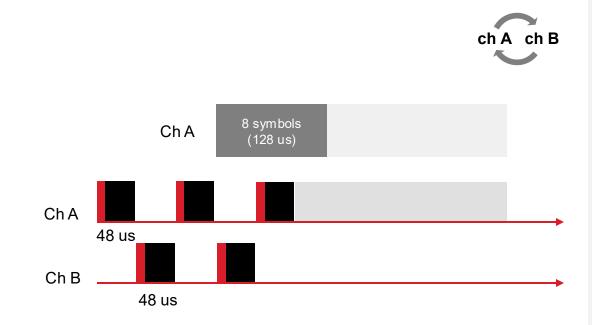
### **Concurrent Multiprotocol (CMP)**

#### Operation:

- Listens for two different 802.15.4 networks
- MultiPAN: Networks are on the same channel
  - Filters packets based on PAN ID
  - Requires that a single device controls both network channels
- Concurrent Listening: Networks are on different channels
  - Device switches between channels
  - Switches fast to listen to both channels during preamble
  - When preamble is detected, stays on the channel until completion packet
  - Sensitivity is slightly degraded
  - Antenna diversity is not available

#### Simplicity Studio Sample Applications

- Zigbee+Thread
- Common Use Cases:
  - Support for both Zigbee and Thread on a single device



- Load RF synth for channel A & settle (~16 us)
- Listen for preamble (2 symbols, ~32us)
- Load RF synth for channel B and settle (~16 us)
- Listen for preamble (~32us)
- Repeat until preamble detected
- After packet is receive, it repeats the process again

Example: CMP Zigbee + Thread (Series 2)



### Dynamic Multiprotocol (DMP) + Concurrent Multiprotocol (CMP)

#### Operation:

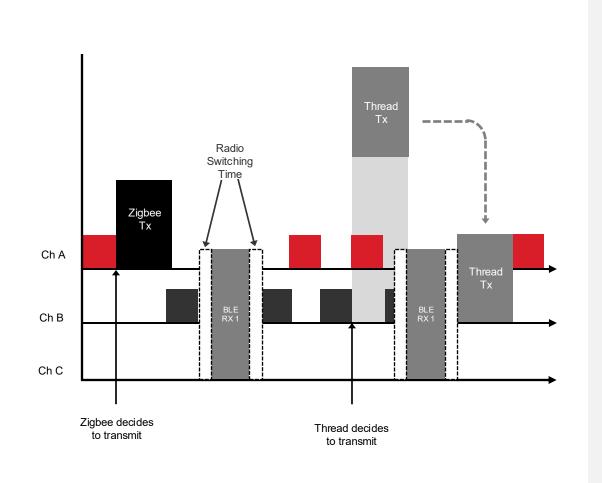
- Extension of Bluetooth LE DMP to include CMP
- Similar operation as DMP
  - CMP is active during between Bluetooth LE
  - Radio rapidly switches between the two 15.4 channels
- Does not impact Bluetooth LE performance
  - Bluetooth LE operations get a higher priority but is configurable

#### Simplicity Studio Sample Applications

Bluetooth LE+Zigbee+Thread

#### Common Use Cases:

Support for both Zigbee and Matter over Thread



Example: DMP Bluetooth LE + CMP (Zigbee + Thread)



### Silicon Labs Product Offering



### **Multiprotocol Support**

Multiprotocol Support is affected by devices protocol support and available memory

	Flash (kB)	RAM (kB)	Bluetooth LE + Proprietary 2.4 GHz (DMP)	Bluetooth LE + Proprietary Sub-GHz (DMP)	Bluetooth LE + Wi-SUN Sub-GHz (DMP)	Bluetooth LE + Zigbee (DMP)	Bluetooth LE + Thread (DMP)	Zigbee + Thread (CMP)	Bluetooth LE + Zigbee + Thread (DMP+CMP)
BG21	1024	96	✓						
BG24	1536	256	✓						
BG26	3200	512	✓						
BG29	1024	256	✓						
MG21	1024	96	✓			<b>√</b>	✓	NCP	
MG24	1536	256	✓			<b>√</b>	✓	✓	
MG26	3200	512	✓			<b>√</b>	✓	✓	✓
MG29	1024	256	✓			✓	✓		
MG301	4096	512	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
FG28	1024	256		✓	✓				
ZG28	1024	256		✓	✓				



### Radio Protocol Testing (Teledyne)





# Teledyne LeCroy's Protocol Debugging Tools

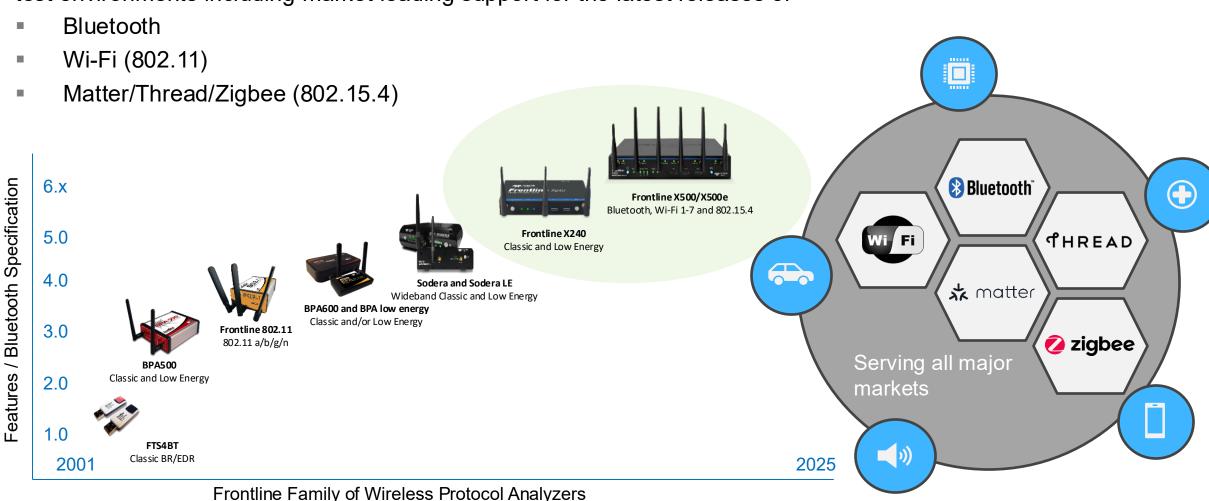






### About the Frontline Family of Protocol Analyzers

Teledyne LeCroy's Frontline family of wireless protocol analyzers, sniffers, and testers deliver unparalleled performance for complex multi-technology test environments including market-leading support for the latest releases of



### Frontline X240 Wideband Protocol Analyzer

The Frontline X240 is a highly flexible protocol analyzer

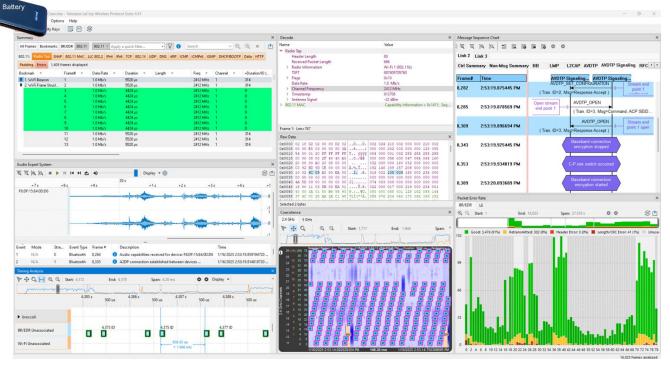
- Supported Technologies
  - Bluetooth BR/EDR
  - Bluetooth LE, LE Audio, Channel Sounding
  - Bluetooth Dual-Mode
  - **8**02.15.4
  - Wi-Fi 5 802.11 a/b/g/n & ac
- Type C USB Powered
- Wall and Car adaptor Included
- Spectrum Analysis
- Excursion mode
- Auto and Manual Gain control
- 16 channel Logic analysis via 2 x8 ch. PODs
- HCI UART, SPI, Audio I2S
- Host Communication over Ethernet

#### Note:

- X240 supports capture of One Technology at a time, based on selected license file
- X240 units can be connected to capture multiple technologies simultaneously





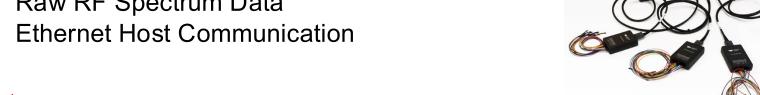




### Frontline X500e Wireless Protocol Analyzer

High Performance X500e supports simultaneous capture of:

- Bluetooth Classic BR/EDR (Latest and draft specs) .....
- Bluetooth Low Energy (Latest and draft specs) .....
- IEEE 802.15.4 (2.4GHz) all channels.....
- Wi-Fi 5 ac 2x2 MIMO (2.4GHz & 5GHz).....
  - and/or
- Wi-Fi 6/6E/7 ax 2x2 MU-MIMO (2.4GHz, 5GHz & 6GHz)......
  - Supports the capture of 2 Wi-Fi channels simultaneously
  - Built in Wi-Fi scanner
- 24 channel logic analysis (via 3x8 channel PODs)
- HCI (2x UART, 2x USB, 2x SPI, 2x Audio I2S)
- Raw RF Spectrum Data



### Note:

X500e has 2x Independent Bluetooth Radios for superior capture performance X500e has 2x Independent Wi-Fi Modules for MLO feature





Module





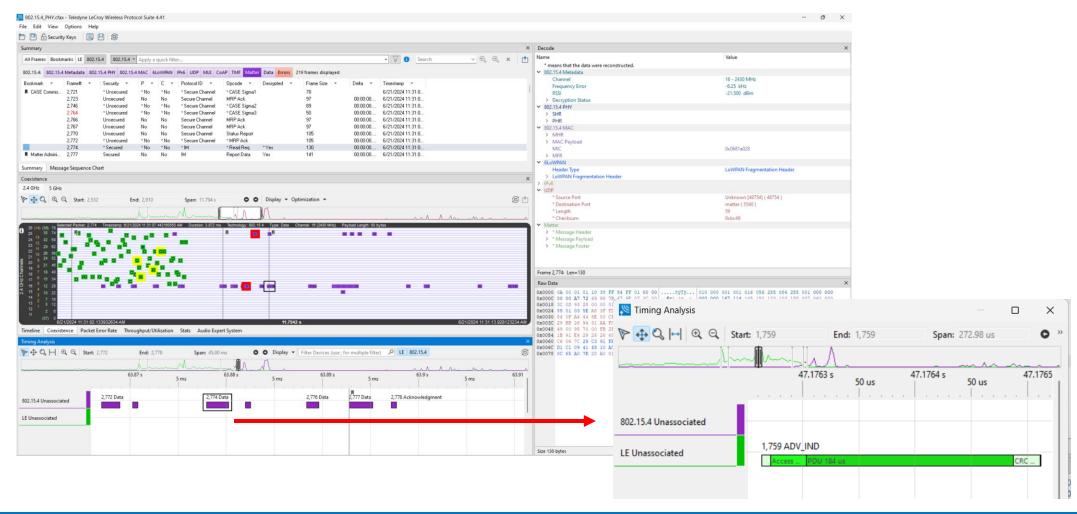
### How can our Analyzers help? – Coexistence View

- Tools provide insight to speed development
  - Simultaneously capture Bluetooth with Wi-Fi and 802.15.4 technologies (Thread, Matter, Zigbee)
  - View spectrum (RF energy heat map) and debug interference issues
  - Investigate commissioning over multiple wireless technologies
  - Verify log information to narrow on problems



### How can our Analyzers help? – Timing Analysis

- Use Timing Analysis to understand connection event timing and retries.
  - Debug interoperability and performance issues



### How can our Analyzers help? – Message Sequence Chart

LE LL

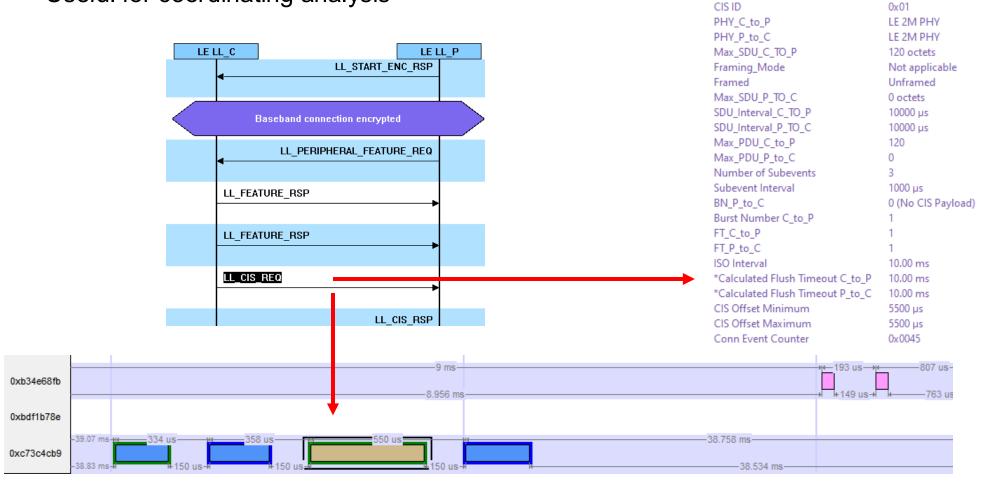
Control Pkt

CIG ID

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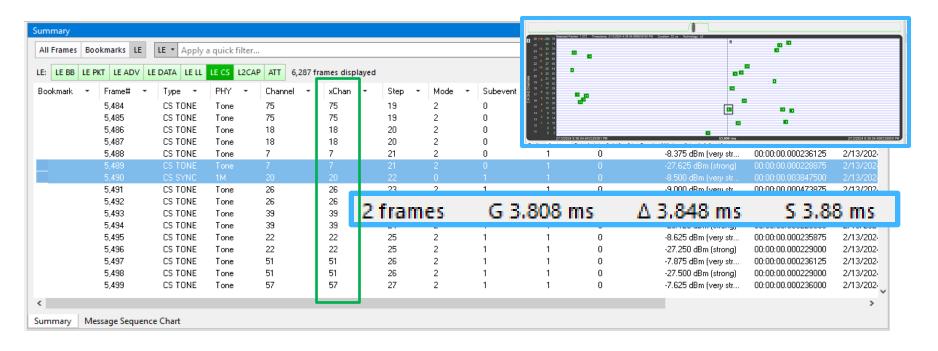
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- Aids understanding at a connection level
- Useful for coordinating analysis



### How can our Analyzers help? – LE CS Support

- Robust Bluetooth 6.0 feature LE Channel Sounding (CS) support
- Automatic verification of channel selection algorithm while capturing live data
  - Maintains channel estimation even if packets are missing



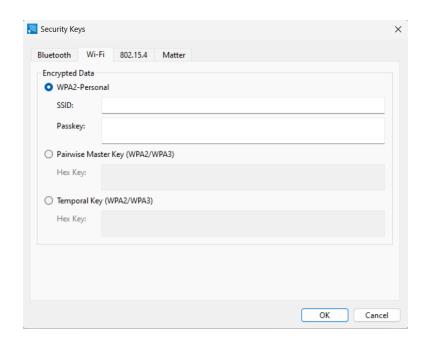
#### Webinars available

Introduction to Channel Sounding with Wireless Protocol Suite
Illustrating Channel Sounding Applications with Wireless Protocol Suite
Analyzing/Debugging a Channel Sounding Capture



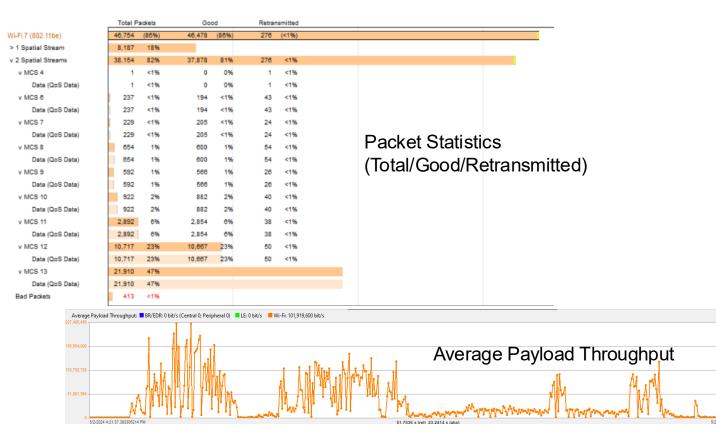
### How can our Analyzers help? – Wi-Fi Support

- Ability to capture Wi-Fi 1-7 2x2 MU-MIMO in WPA3 and WPA2 environments
- Simultaneous capture of two Wi-Fi channels on two bands, including Wi-Fi 7 MLO
- Wi-Fi Scanner functionality for automatic Channel Setup
- iPerf Quality performance testing



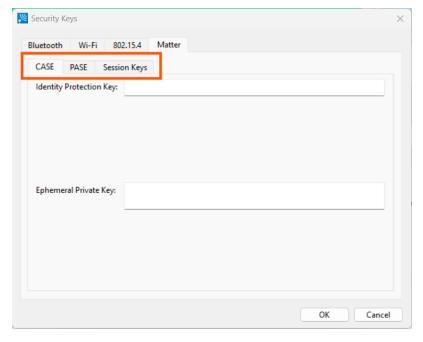
#### Webinars available

Master Wi-Fi Debugging: Practical Solutions for Common Issues Introducing Wi-Fi 7 Technology/Discussion Part 1 Part 2: In-Depth Analysis of Wi-Fi 7 and Bluetooth Getting Value Out of Your Wi-Fi Capture



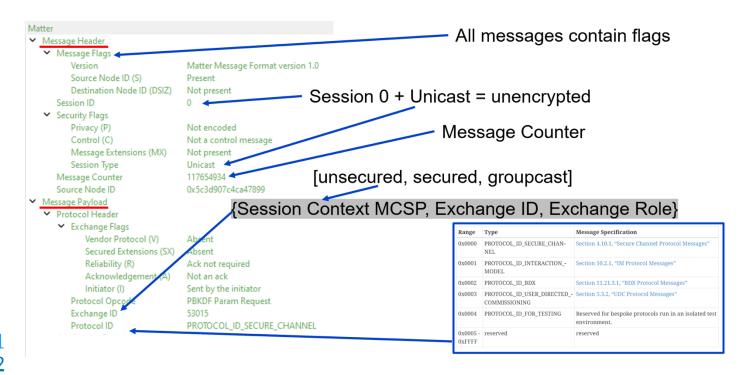
### How can our Analyzers help? – Matter/Thread/Zigbee Support

- Matter communication traverses over multiple RF technologies and protocols
  - Simultaneous technologies can be captured with the X500e
- Matter's flexible message-based traffic is normally encrypted and organized in a hierarchical format
  - Wireless Protocol Suite (WPS) is an important tool for debugging and analysis
  - WPS automation reduces or eliminates the data capture and analysis burden



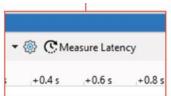
Webinars available

Introduction to Matter with Wireless Protocol Suite Pt. 1 Introduction to Matter with Wireless Protocol Suite Pt. 2



### How can our Analyzers help? – Audio Expert System

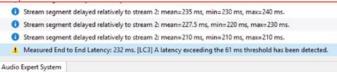
- Correlates audio, codec, and Bluetooth protocol events to a single timeline as they happen
- Visualization of audio problems
- Bit rate variance analysis for coarse audio quality debugging
- In depth analysis using "Reference Mode" that allows comparing results with known baseline information
- Latency testing using "Audio Analysis Solution"
  - Transport Latency
  - End to End Latency
  - **Audio Processing Latency**
  - **Presentation Latency**
  - L/R Channel Latency



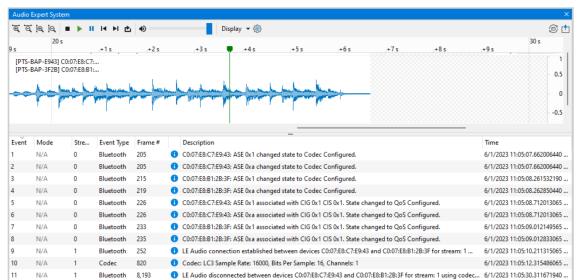
Click the "Measure Latency" button to initiate the measurement process.





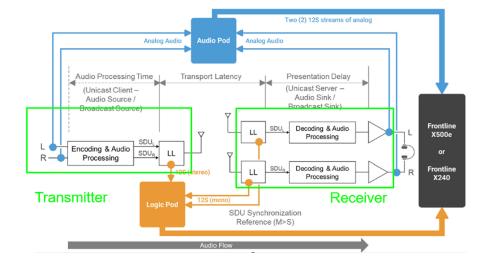


Results will appear in the Audio Event Log, with each latency event tagged by its respective event type.



#### Webinars available

Master Bluetooth Audio Debugging: Measuring Latencies Improving Wireless Sound with WPS Reference Audio





### Summary: A Leading Choice

### Tools for Professionals in Electronics Design and Testing

### **Comprehensive Protocol Support**

Supports a wide range of wireless protocols

### **High Performance and Versatility**

Dual Bluetooth radios for superior capture performance and support for the latest Wi-Fi technologies.

### **Advanced Analysis Capabilities**

Live or post-capture decryption, raw RF spectrum views, and time-correlated captures.

#### **User-Friendly Software**

Streamlined interface for displaying, decoding and analyzing wireless data.

### **Automation and Integration**

Integrates into automated test setups using extensive APIs, enhancing efficiency and enabling comprehensive testing.



### Thank you!

### Resources:

Teledyne LeCroy Website

https://www.teledynelecroy.com

Wireless Solutions:

https://www.teledynelecroy.com/protocolanalyzer/solutions-wireless.aspx

Webinars and Videos

https://www.teledynelecroy.com/events/

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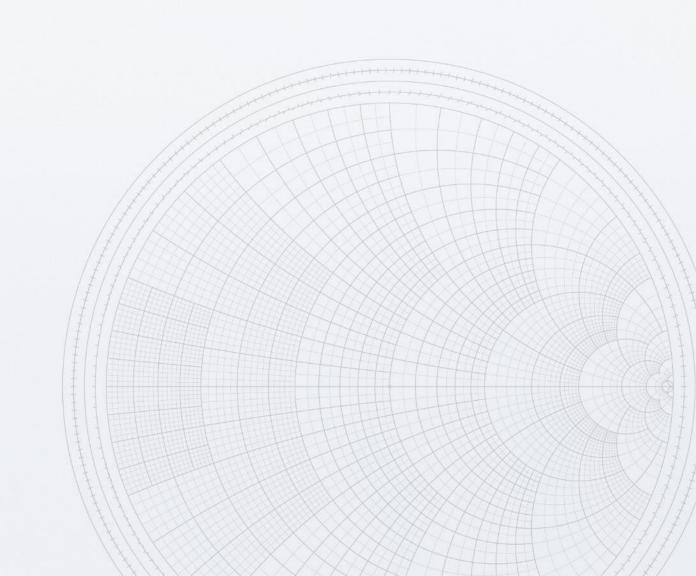
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### Summary





### Resources

- Multiprotocol Web page
- Concurrent Multiprotocol Blog
- Docs.silab.com Multiprotocol
- UG103.16: Multiprotocol Fundamentals
- <u>UG305 Dynamic Multiprotocol User's Guide</u>



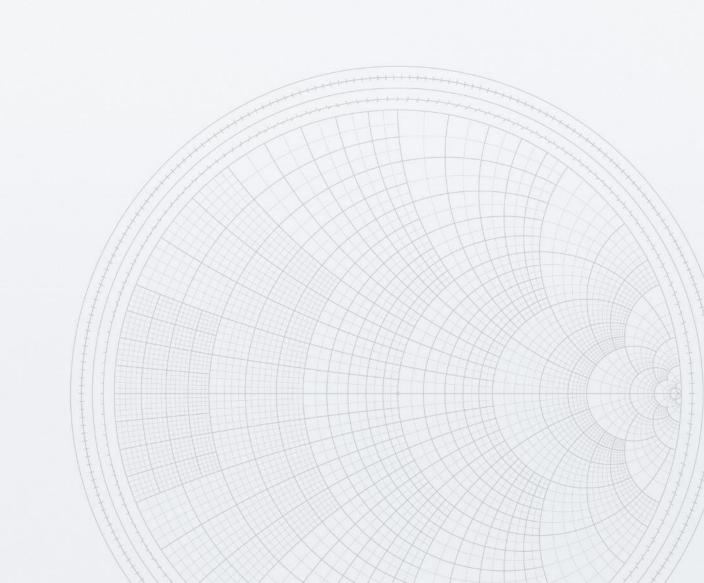
### **Multiprotocol Summary**

- Enables single RF chip to support multiple protocols
  - Lowers product cost vs multiple RF chips
  - Simplifies hardware layout and design
  - Enables smaller form factor products
  - Helps to future proof products
  - Enables broader ecosystem support
  - Improves interoperability
  - Simplifies user choice
  - Improves user experience



### Q&A







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