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IEEE 802.11b in brief

IEEE 802.11b in brief : Frequencies

- 802.11b works in ISM (*Industrial, Scientific and Medical*) band at 2.4 GHz
- These frequencies are unlicensed!

Regions	Frequencies
USA	2.4000 – 2.4835 GHz
Europe	2.4000 – 2.4835 GHz
France	2.4465 – 2.4835 GHz
Spain	2.4450 – 2.4750 GHz
Japan	2.4000 – 2.4835 GHz 2.4710 – 2.4970 GHz

IEEE 802.11b in brief : Frequencies

- In Europe: 13 Channels
- The following table summarize the usable channels:

Regions	Channels (5MHz)
USA	1 - 11
Europe	1 - 13
Japan	1 - 13 + 14
France	10 - 13
Spain	10 - 11

IEEE 802.11b in brief : Frequencies

- The central frequency of each channel is shown in the table
- Central channel frequencies are separated by 5MHz
- A channel bandwidth is 22 MHz
- To avoid interferences, channels in the same area must be 25 MHz apart



3 non-overlapping channels:
(USA) 1,6,11
(EU) 1,7,13 or 1,6,11 or 2,8,13, or
...

Channel	Frequencies
1	2412 MHz
2	2417 MHz
3	2422 MHz
4	2427 MHz
5	2432 MHz
6	2437 MHz
7	2442 MHz
8	2447 MHz
9	2452 MHz
10	2457 MHz
11	2462 MHz
12	2467 MHz
13	2472 MHz

IEEE 802.11b in breve: Frequenze

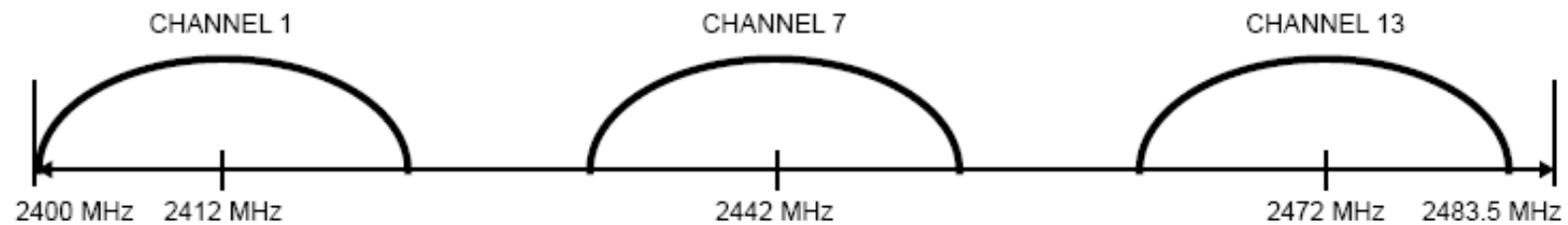


Figure 143—European channel selection—non-overlapping



Figure 144—European channel selection—overlapping

IEEE 802.11b in brief : Power

- The power which can be irradiated depends by the geographic areas

Maximum Power Permitted	Region
1000 mW	USA
100 mW	Europe
10 mW	Japan

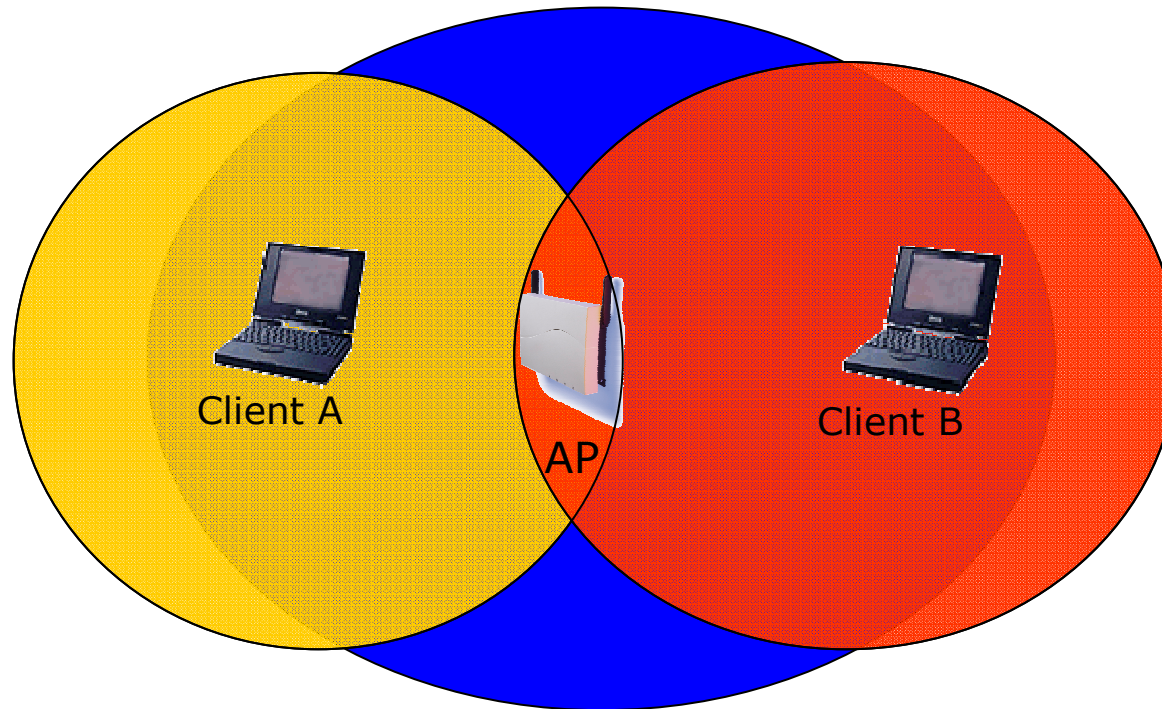
IEEE 802.11b in brief : Speed

- The transmission speeds supported by the standard are:
1, 2, 5.5, 11 Mbps
- The speed depends by the distance (channel conditions)
- The following table shows what is declared by Avaya for the its NICs in ideal propagation conditions:

Type of area	11 Mbs	5,5 Mbs	2 Mbs	1 Mbs
Open	160 m	270 m	400 m	550 m
Semi-Open	50 m	70 m	90 m	115 m
Close	25 m	35 m	40 m	50 m

IEEE 802.11b in brief: RTS/CTS

□ Hidden Node Problem:

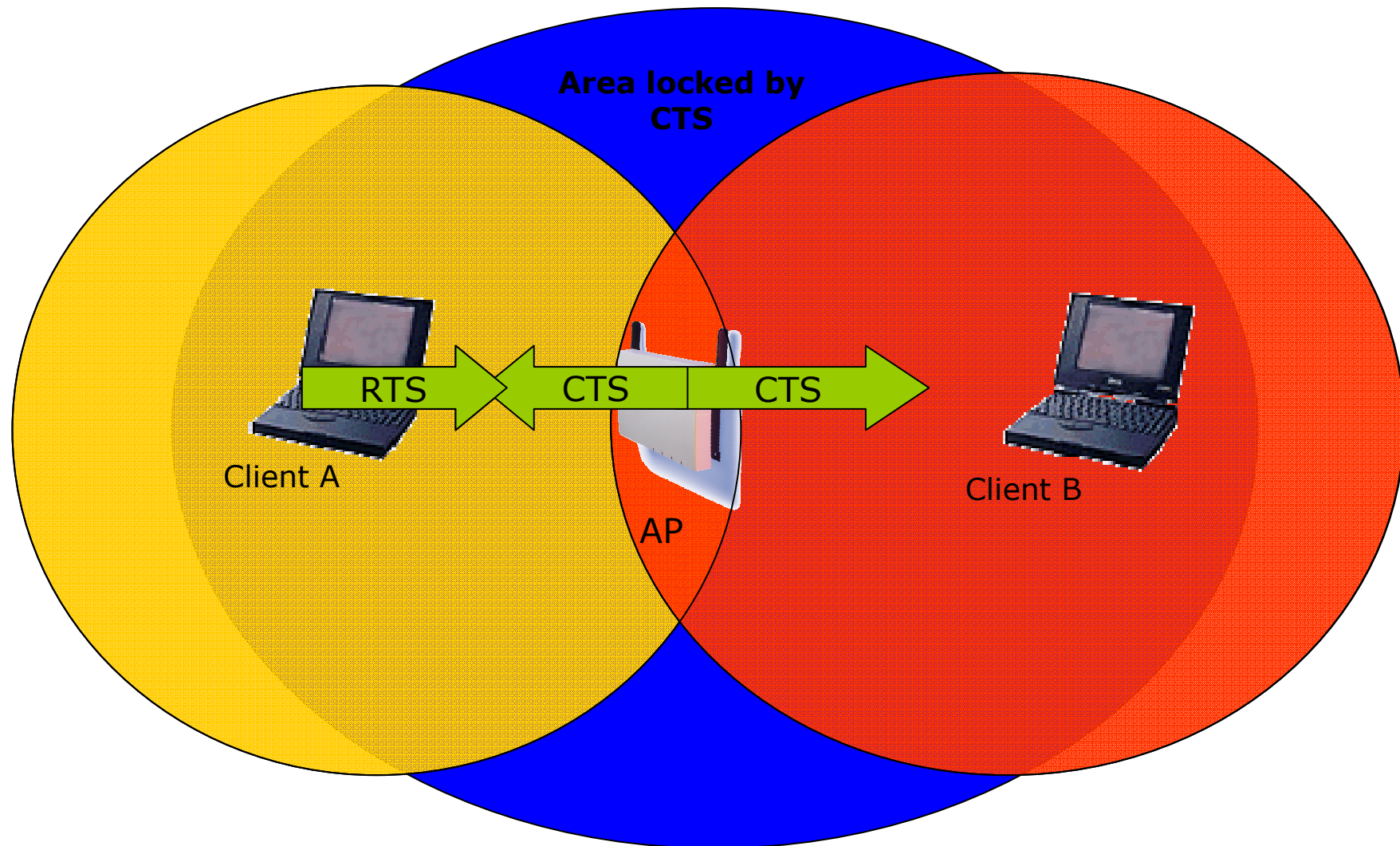


- A talk with AP (but not with B)
- B talk with AP (but not with A)

IEEE 802.11b in brief: RTS/CTS

- B starts to transmit
- A does not hear B so starts to transmit →
COLLISION
- To prevent this situation the standard define the mechanism of RTS/CTS:
 - the packets longer than an assigned threshold are transmitted only after a RTS/CTS exchange

IEEE 802.11b in brief: RTS/CTS



IEEE 802.11b in brief: BSS/ESS

- ❑ One AP and the mobile stations associated to it define a *Basic Service Set* (BSS).
- ❑ Two or more attached BSS form together an *Extended Set Service* (ESS) if they supply the additional services (support for roaming)
- ❑ The *Independent Basic Service Set* (IBSS), is the simplest form → Ad Hoc Network

IEEE 802.11b in brief: SSID

- ❑ The SSID (*Service Set IDentity*) is a string identifying the WLAN (32 bytes max)
- ❑ The SSID of length 0 corresponds to a broadcast identity and is used in probing the available nets
- ❑ On many AP you can inhibit the transmission of SSID, so that only who knows the SSID of the WLAN can join it (poor protection indeed! you can configure the card to scan other cards associations)

IEEE 802.11g: Speed

- The 802.11g standard introduce eight more speeds:
 - 6, 9, 12, 18, 24, 36, 48, 54
- Use OFDM (Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing) for these speeds



Set up of an Access Point Avaya Ap3

Access Point: Avaya AP3

- Access Point Avaya AP3
- Configurable via serial port:
 - Null-Modem cable
 - Baud Rate: 9600
 - Parity: none
 - Data bit: 8
 - Stop bit: 1
 - Flow Control: none
 - Default passwd: public
 - Line feed con Carriage Returns

Avaya AP : Boot

```
=====  
PowerOn Selftests  
=====
```

Running SDRAM test.....OK

SDRAM Size: 16 Mbyte

CPU id: 4401a104

CPU Frequency: 228.1 MHz

Checking timers....OK

FLASH Manufacturer: Intel (89)

FLASH Device: E28F320J3A(16)

FLASH Size: 8 Mbyte (32 blocks of 256
kbyte each)

Scanning PCI-Bus...

```
SYSTEM SLOT  
=====
```

Vendor ID: Intel Corporation (1011)

Device ID: 21285 (1065)

SLOT: 1

```
=====
```

Vendor ID: National Semiconductor
(100b)

Device ID: DP83815 (0020)

SLOT: 2

```
=====
```

Vendor ID: Texas Instruments (104c)

Device ID: PCI1225 (ac1c)

SLOT: 3

```
=====
```

EMPTY

```
=====
```

Selftests OK

```
=====
```

Executing Original BSP/BootLoader.
Version 2.0.10

Loading image...2641768 + 276792 +
2441816

[Avaya Wireless AP-3]> Please enter
password:

Avaya AP : Configure via CLI

- ❑ Available commands list : ?
- ❑ For a short command description do not specify any parameter :

```
[Avaya-Wireless-AP-3]> reboot
```

Command Description:

The reboot command reboots the device in the specified number of seconds.

Command Usage:

```
reboot <number of seconds> <CR>
```

Examples:

```
reboot 0 <CR>
```

```
reboot 100 <CR>
```

Avaya AP : Configure via CLI

- ❑ List of the parameters available:
show ?
- ❑ List of the parameters beginning for ip:
show ip?
- ❑ For the list of the settable parameters
(beginning for ip):
set ip?

Avaya AP : Configuration

- ❑ The default IP address of the Avaya AP is 10.0.0.1
- ❑ So it is possible to reach them also via network using a cross cable or a switch/hub and using an IP in the same subnet
- ❑ Together with the software enclosed there it is a tool to find all the AP connected to the network

Avaya AP: Assigning the IP Address

- To assign an IP address to the AP:

```
[Avaya Wireless AP-3]> set ipaddrtype static
```

```
[Avaya Wireless AP-3]> set ipaddr 192.168.91.123
```

```
[Avaya Wireless AP-3]> set ipgw 192.168.91.1
```

```
[Avaya Wireless AP-3]> show network
```

```
IP/Network Group Parameters
```

```
=====
```

IP Address	:	192.168.91.123
Subnet Mask	:	255.0.0.0
Default Router	:	192.168.91.1
Default TTL	:	64
Address Type	:	static

Avaya AP: WEB Interfaces

System Status

Avaya Wireless AP-3 v2.0.0(266) SN-03UT05560066 v2.0.10

IP Address	192.168.91.123	Contact Name	Contact Name
System Name	Avaya Wireless AP-3	Contact Phone	Contact Phone Number
System Location	Contact Location	Contact Email	name@Organization.com
Up Time (DD:HH:MM:SS)	00:00:47:23	Object ID	1.3.6.1.4.1.11898.2.4.6

System Alarms

This table displays information on the alarms (SNMP Traps) generated by the access point. They should be deleted once they are reviewed and resolved. The alarm severity levels are: Critical, Major, Minor, and Informational.

Select All Deselect All

Description	Severity	Time Stamp
<input type="checkbox"/> Incompatible Vendor for Wireless Card. Card Info : PC Card A	Critical	0 days 0 hrs 0 m 0 s
<input type="checkbox"/> Wireless Card Not Present. Card Info : PC Card B	Informational	0 days 0 hrs 0 m 0 s
<input type="checkbox"/> AP Cold Started.	Informational	0 days 0 hrs 0 m 3 s
<input type="checkbox"/> Link Up.	Informational	0 days 0 hrs 0 m 3 s
<input type="checkbox"/> Link Up.	Informational	0 days 0 hrs 0 m 3 s
<input type="checkbox"/> Link Up.	Informational	0 days 0 hrs 0 m 3 s
<input type="checkbox"/> Link Up.	Informational	0 days 0 hrs 0 m 3 s
<input type="checkbox"/> Link Up.	Informational	0 days 0 hrs 0 m 3 s
<input type="checkbox"/> Wireless Card Not Present. Card Info : PC Card B	Informational	0 days 0 hrs 0 m 8 s
<input type="checkbox"/> Incompatible Vendor for Wireless Card. Card Info : PC Card A	Critical	0 days 0 hrs 0 m 8 s

Delete

Downloading from site: res://C:\WINDOWS\System32\shdocl.dll/dnserror.htm Internet

Avaya AP: End Of Life!

- ❑ This Access Point now is in End Of Life!
- ❑ The firmware is still available at the address:
<http://support.avaya.com/>
- ❑ The last version available is the version 2.5.5

Avaya AP: Wireless Interfaces

- In these AP different types of cards can be inserted with different properties:
 - Two maximum lengths for the WEP key are supported (Silver: 64, Gold: 128)
 - Different cards for the various channel sets (ETSI: Channels 1-13, World: Channels 1-11) are available
 - Besides the 802.11b cards there are 802.11a and 802.11b/g cards

Avaya AP: Wireless Interfaces

- Besides the net parameters we will have to set up for the wireless interface
 - The channel to use:
 - We can chose the automatic channel option
 - The SSID of the WLAN:
 - We can enable the Closed System option: the AP are not authorized to connect the terminals with the SSID *any*
 - The threshold for the activation of RTS/CTS:
 - Disabled by default

Avaya AP: Wireless Interfaces

- ❑ Based on the module/model it is possible to define:
 - More than one SSID on the same wireless interfaces
 - The standard adopted
 - The supported speeds
 - The power used
- ❑ Other important configurations:
 - Modify the administrator password
 - Set up the WEP key
 - Configure the IP of a syslog or SNMP server
 - Enable a radius server for the MAC address check
 - Enable an 802.1x server

Avaya AP: Wireless Interfaces

- For instance using the 802.11b/g radio module, several SSID can be managed on the same AP :
 - Each SSID is associated to a distinct VLAN
 - For each SSID a different security profile can be associated with different parameters for the authentication method, for the accounting radius servers , ...

Avaya AP: Wireless Interfaces

The user must specify unique SSIDs and VLAN IDs values (only a single untagged VLAN ID can be configured).

Security Profiles are used to configure the allowed security modes. If RADIUS MAC, 802.1x, WPA or RADIUS accounting is enabled in the SSID's security profile then the respective **RADIUS server profiles** should be configured and assigned to this SSID.

Note: Changes to these parameters require access point reboot in order to take effect.

Enable Security Per SSID

Accounting Status: Enable
RADIUS MAC Authentication Status: Disable
MAC ACL Status: Disable
Rekeying Interval (seconds): 900
Security Profile: 1
RADIUS MAC Authentication Profile: MAC Authentication
RADIUS EAP Authentication Profile: EAP Authentication
RADIUS Accounting Profile: Accounting

OK Cancel

SSID and VLAN Data Table

Add Edit

Index	Network Name (SSID)	VLAN ID	Status
1	WILMA	2	Enable
2	unitn-wifi	31	Enable



Configuration of CISCO AP 1200 Series

AP 1200: Features

- With the last firmware (version 12.3(8)JEA3) the AP supports:
 - Multiple SSID (up to 16), for each one it is possible to choose:
 - If transmitting in broadcast the SSID (guests mode)
 - The method of authentication
 - The maximum number of customers
 - VLAN: a VLAN for each SSID
 - Authentication Methods:
 - MAC Address
 - 802.1x
 - WPA

AP 1200: Initial Configuration

- Configuration using serial port
 - 9600 baud
 - 8 data bits
 - Parity none
 - stop bit 1
 - flow control no

AP 1200: Initial Configuration

□ "Standard" CISCO commands:

- enable
- *Password* → Cisco
- `configure [terminal]`
- `ip default-gateway 192.168.10.1`
- `interface FastEthernet 0`
- `ip address 192.168.10.40 255.255.255.0`
- exit
- Ctrl-z
- `copy running-config startup-config`
- reload

AP 1200: Initial Configuration

- ❑ To display the initial configuration:
 - Enable
 - Password: Cisco
 - `show running-config`
- ❑ The network interface to configure in the current release of the firmware is BVI 1 (not FastEthernet 0 as in the previous versions)

AP 1200: WEB Interface

- After the first configuration via CLI:

- HOME
- EXPRESS SET-UP
- EXPRESS SECURITY
- NETWORK MAP +
- ASSOCIATION +
- NETWORK INTERFACES +
- SECURITY +
- SERVICES +
- WIRELESS SERVICES +
- SYSTEM SOFTWARE +
- EVENT LOG +

Hostname CISCO1200-NetworkLab

Express Set-Up

Host Name:	<input type="text" value="CISCO1200-NetworkLab"/>
MAC Address:	000d.2967.cef5
Configuration Server Protocol:	<input type="radio"/> DHCP <input checked="" type="radio"/> Static IP
IP Address:	<input type="text" value="192.168.10.40"/>
IP Subnet Mask:	<input type="text" value="255.255.255.0"/>
Default Gateway:	<input type="text" value="192.168.10.1"/>
SNMP Community:	<input type="text" value="defaultCommunity"/>
	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Read-Only <input type="radio"/> Read-Write

Radio0-802.11B

Role in Radio Network:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Access Point Root <input type="radio"/> Repeater Non-Root
Optimize Radio Network for:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Throughput <input type="radio"/> Range <input type="radio"/> Custom
Aironet Extensions:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Enable <input type="radio"/> Disable

AP 1200: Firmware Update

- The Firmware is downloadable from the CISCO WEB Site:
 - <http://tools.cisco.com/support/downloads/go/MDFTree.x?butype=wireless>
 - You have to register at least as guest user
 - The current version is: c1200-k9w7-tar.123-8.JEA3.tar
 - The AP firmware can be updated via tftp or via http

AP 1200: Wireless Configuration

- Role in a Wireless Network:
 - Root or repeater
- Power:
 - You can limit the power of the AP radio
 - It is also possible to limit the power (in transmission) of the client stations (CISCO extensions)

AP 1200: Wireless Configuration

□ Speed:

- Basic (Require in WEB Interface): unicast and multicast traffic, used from the highest to the lowest. At least one rate must be set to basic. Note that if the client doesn't support a Basic rate, it can not associate to the AP
- Enabled: Unicast traffic only
- Disabled: This speed is not usable

AP 1200: Wireless Configuration

□ Configuration of the basic parameters

The screenshot shows the configuration page for the Radio0-802.11B interface on a Cisco AP 1200. The page is titled "Radio0-802.11B STATUS" and "DETAILED STATUS". The host name is "CISCO1200-NetworkLab" and the uptime is 3 minutes. The configuration is divided into several sections:

- Enable Radio:** Enable Disable
- Current Status (Software/Hardware):** Enabled Up
- Role in Radio Network:** Access Point Root (Fallback to Radio Island) Access Point Root (Fallback to Radio Shutdown) Access Point Root (Fallback to Repeater) Repeater Non-Root
- Data Rates:** Best Range Best Throughput
 - 1.0Mb/sec Require Enable Disable
 - 2.0Mb/sec Require Enable Disable
 - 5.5Mb/sec Require Enable Disable
 - 11.0Mb/sec Require Enable Disable
- Transmitter Power (mW):** 1 5 20 30 50 Max
- Limit Client Power (mW):** 1 5 20 30 50 Max
- Default Radio Channel:** Least Congested Frequency Channel 10 2457 MHz
- Least Congested Channel Search:** (Use Only Selected Channels)
 - Channel 1 - 2412 MHz
 - Channel 2 - 2417 MHz
 - Channel 3 - 2422 MHz
 - Channel 4 - 2427 MHz
 - Channel 5 - 2432 MHz
 - Channel 6 - 2437 MHz
 - Channel 7 - 2442 MHz
 - Channel 8 - 2447 MHz
 - Channel 9 - 2452 MHz
 - Channel 10 - 2457 MHz

[Power Translation Table \(mW/dBm\)](#)

AP 1200: Wireless Configuration

□ World Mode:

- Clients can receive “national” information about setting. Legacy for CISCO compatibility, 802.11d new standards

□ Antenna:

- Diversity: both antennas are used and the one that receives the best signal is chosen

□ Encapsulation:

- To manage the non 802.3 packages, these have to be encapsulated. Interoperability with others: RFC1042; 802.1H optimized for CISCO

AP 1200: Wireless Configuration

□ RTS:

- Choose low values if not all of the stations are within sensing range of each other

□ Fragmentation:

- Choose low values if the area is disturbed or with low transmission quality

□ CISCO Extension:

- Used to support special features

AP 1200: Wireless Configuration

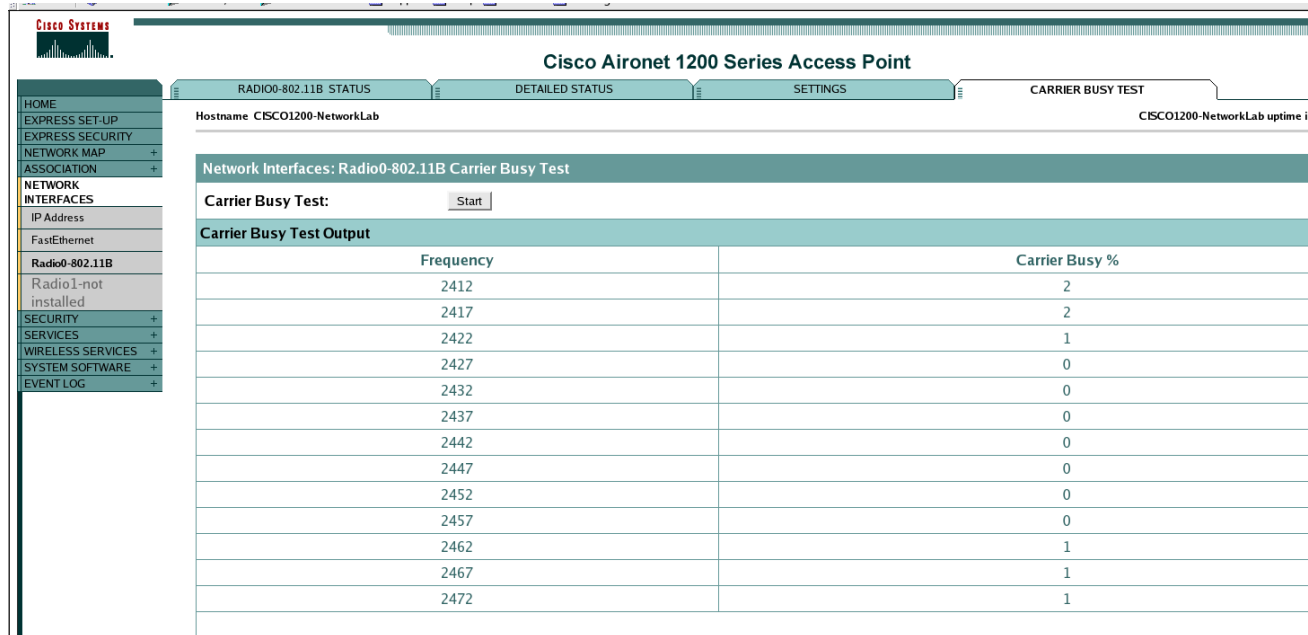
□ Configuration of the basic parameters

World Mode Multi-Domain Operation:	<input type="radio"/> Disable	<input type="radio"/> Legacy	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Dot11d
Country Code:	<input type="text" value="Italy"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indoor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Outdoor		
Radio Preamble	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Short	<input type="radio"/> Long	
Receive Antenna:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Diversity	<input type="radio"/> Left (Secondary)	<input type="radio"/> Right (Primary)
Transmit Antenna:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Diversity	<input type="radio"/> Left (Secondary)	<input type="radio"/> Right (Primary)
External Antenna Configuration:	<input type="radio"/> Enable	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Disable	
	Antenna Gain(dB): <input type="text" value="DISABLED"/> (-128 - 128)		
Aironet Extensions:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Enable	<input type="radio"/> Disable	
Ethernet Encapsulation Transform:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> RFC1042	<input type="radio"/> 802.1H	
Reliable Multicast to WGB:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Disable	<input type="radio"/> Enable	
Public Secure Packet Forwarding:	<input type="radio"/> Enable	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Disable	
Beacon Period:	<input type="text" value="100"/> (20-4000 Kusec)	Data Beacon Rate (DTIM):	<input type="text" value="2"/> (1-100)
Max. Data Retries:	<input type="text" value="64"/> (1-128)	RTS Max. Retries:	<input type="text" value="64"/> (1-128)
Fragmentation Threshold:	<input type="text" value="2346"/> (256-2346)	RTS Threshold:	<input type="text" value="2312"/> (0-2347)
Repeater Parent AP Timeout:	<input type="text" value="0"/> (0-65535 sec)		
Repeater Parent AP MAC 1 (optional):	<input type="text"/> (HHHH.HHHH.HHHH)		
Repeater Parent AP MAC 2 (optional):	<input type="text"/> (HHHH.HHHH.HHHH)		
Repeater Parent AP MAC 3 (optional):	<input type="text"/> (HHHH.HHHH.HHHH)		
Repeater Parent AP MAC 4 (optional):	<input type="text"/> (HHHH.HHHH.HHHH)		

AP 1200: Wireless Configuration

□ Channel Selection:

- It is possible to make the AP choose the channel automatically
- It is possible to set it manually
- It is possible to do a survey to determine the state of the channels in the area



The screenshot displays the configuration page for a Cisco Aironet 1200 Series Access Point, specifically the 'RADIO0-802.11B STATUS' tab. The interface includes a navigation menu on the left and a main content area. The main content area shows the 'Carrier Busy Test' results for the 'Radio0-802.11B' interface. The test output is presented in a table with columns for Frequency and Carrier Busy %.

Frequency	Carrier Busy %
2412	2
2417	2
2422	1
2427	0
2432	0
2437	0
2442	0
2447	0
2452	0
2457	0
2462	1
2467	1
2472	1

AP 1200: SSID and Authentication

□ SSID:

- You have to define an SSID. Default "tsunami"
- Guest SSID: is the SSID advertised

□ Authentications:

- Open: all the devices are allowed to authenticate with the AP
- Shared: there is an exchange of a message plain or encrypted. Unsafe
- EAP: the safest mode

□ Authentication based on MAC:

- Open authentication → "With MAC Authentication"

AP 1200: SSID and Authentication

□ Definition of Cryptography

The screenshot shows the configuration page for a Cisco Aironet 1200 Series Access Point. The page title is "Cisco Aironet 1200 Series Access Point". The hostname is "CISCO1200-NetworkLab" and the uptime is "2 days, 49 minutes". The page is divided into several sections:

- Security: Encryption Manager**
 - Set Encryption Mode and Keys for VLAN:** A dropdown menu is set to "3". A link "Define VLANs" is visible.
 - Encryption Modes**
 - None
 - WEP Encryption
 - Mode: Mandatory
 - Cisco Compliant TKIP Features:
 - Enable Message Integrity Check (MIC)
 - Enable Per Packet Keying (PPK)
 - Cipher
 - Mode: WEP 128 bit
 - Encryption Keys**

Encryption Key	Transmit Key	Encryption Key (Hexadecimal)	Key Size
Encryption Key 1:	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	*****	128 bit
Encryption Key 2:	<input type="radio"/>		128 bit
Encryption Key 3:	<input type="radio"/>		128 bit
Encryption Key 4:	<input type="radio"/>		128 bit
 - Global Properties**
 - Broadcast Key Rotation Interval:**
 - Disable Rotation
 - Enable Rotation with Interval: DISABLED (10-10000000 sec)
 - WPA Group Key Update:**
 - Enable Group Key Update On Membership Termination
 - Enable Group Key Update On Member's Capability Change

AP 1200: Radius Server

- Basic Configuration:
 - Authentication with client stations MAC address
 - Server IP, ports for authentication and accounting
 - Shared password between radius server and AP

AP 1200: Radius Server

▣ Radius Server Configuration:

The screenshot shows the configuration page for a Cisco Aironet 1200 Series Access Point, specifically the 'SERVER MANAGER' section under 'GLOBAL PROPERTIES'. The page is titled 'Cisco Aironet 1200 Series Access Point' and shows the hostname 'CISCO1200-NetworkLab' and an uptime of 50 minutes.

The configuration is organized into several sections:

- Security: Server Manager**
 - Backup RADIUS Server**
 - Backup RADIUS Server: (Hostname or IP Address)
 - Shared Secret:
 - Buttons: Apply, Delete, Cancel
 - Corporate Servers**
 - Current Server List**
 - Filter: RADIUS
 - Table:

Server
< NEW >
192.168.10.30
 - Buttons: Delete
 - Server: (Hostname or IP Address)
 - Shared Secret:
 - Authentication Port (optional): (0-65536)
 - Accounting Port (optional): (0-65536)
 - Buttons: Apply, Cancel
- Default Server Priorities**

Authentication Method	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
EAP Authentication	< NONE >	< NONE >	< NONE >
MAC Authentication	192.168.10.30	< NONE >	< NONE >
Accounting	192.168.10.30	< NONE >	< NONE >
- Admin Authentication (RADIUS)**
 - Priority 1: < NONE >
 - Priority 2: < NONE >
- Admin Authentication (TACACS+)**
 - Priority 1: < NONE >
 - Priority 2: < NONE >

AP 1200: SSID and Authentication

□ SSID and Radius Server:

- EXPRESS SETUP
- EXPRESS SECURITY
- NETWORK MAP +
- ASSOCIATION +
- NETWORK INTERFACES +
- SECURITY
 - Admin Access
 - Encryption Manager
 - SSID Manager**
 - Server Manager
 - Local RADIUS Server
 - Advanced Security
- SERVICES +
- WIRELESS SERVICES +
- SYSTEM SOFTWARE +
- EVENT LOG +

Security: SSID Manager

SSID Properties

Current SSID List

< NEW >	SSID:	WILMA-LAB
WILMA-LAB	VLAN:	< NONE > Define VLANs
	Network ID:	(0-4096)

Delete

Authentication Settings

Authentication Methods Accepted:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open Authentication:	with MAC Authentication
<input type="checkbox"/> Shared Authentication:	< NO ADDITION >
<input type="checkbox"/> Network EAP:	< NO ADDITION >

Server Priorities:

EAP Authentication Servers	MAC Authentication Servers
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Use Defaults Define Defaults	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Use Defaults Define Defaults
<input type="radio"/> Customize	<input type="radio"/> Customize
Priority 1: < NONE >	Priority 1: < NONE >
Priority 2: < NONE >	Priority 2: < NONE >
Priority 3: < NONE >	Priority 3: < NONE >

AP 1200: SSID and Authentication

□ MAC Address Authentication:

The screenshot shows the configuration page for a Cisco Aironet 1200 Series Access Point, specifically for MAC Address Authentication. The page is titled "Cisco Aironet 1200 Series Access Point" and has a hostname of "CISCO1200-NetworkLab". The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with categories like HOME, EXPRESS SET-UP, SECURITY, SERVICES, and WIRELESS SERVICES. The main content area is divided into three tabs: "MAC ADDRESS AUTHENTICATION" (selected), "TIMERS", and "ASSOCIATION ACCESS LIST".

Security: Advanced Security- MAC Address Authentication

MAC Address Authentication

MAC Addresses Authenticated by:

- Local List Only
- Authentication Server Only
- Authentication Server if not found in Local List

Local MAC Address List

Local List:

New MAC Address: (HHHH.HHHH.HHHH)

Close Window

AP 1200: SSID and Authentication

MAC Address Authentication:

The screenshot displays the Cisco Aironet 1200 Series Access Point configuration interface. The page title is "Cisco Aironet 1200 Series Access Point". The hostname is "CISCO1200-NetworkLab" and the uptime is "3 hours, 25 minutes".

The "Event Log" section shows a table of events. The "Start Display at Index" is 1 and the "Max Number of Events to Display" is 20. The events are as follows:

Index	Time	Severity	Description
1	Mar 1 03:25:19.858	Information	Interface Dot11Radio0, Station WILMA-LAPTOP2 0002.8a9f.1ead Reassociated KEY_MGMT[NONE]
2	Mar 1 03:25:14.174	Debugging	Station 0002.8a9f.1ead Authentication failed
3	Mar 1 03:25:07.831	Debugging	Station 0002.8a9f.1ead Authentication failed
4	Mar 1 03:25:01.448	Debugging	Station 0002.8a9f.1ead Authentication failed
5	Mar 1 03:24:55.125	Debugging	Station 0002.8a9f.1ead Authentication failed
6	Mar 1 03:24:49.843	Debugging	Station 0002.8a9f.1ead Authentication failed
7	Mar 1 03:24:43.529	Debugging	Station 0002.8a9f.1ead Authentication failed
8	Mar 1 03:24:37.186	Debugging	Station 0002.8a9f.1ead Authentication failed
9	Mar 1 03:24:30.863	Debugging	Station 0002.8a9f.1ead Authentication failed
10	Mar 1 03:24:24.480	Debugging	Station 0002.8a9f.1ead Authentication failed
11	Mar 1 03:24:18.097	Debugging	Station 0002.8a9f.1ead Authentication failed
12	Mar 1 03:24:12.805	Debugging	Station 0002.8a9f.1ead Authentication failed
13	Mar 1 03:24:06.501	Debugging	Station 0002.8a9f.1ead Authentication failed
14	Mar 1 03:24:00.178	Debugging	Station 0002.8a9f.1ead Authentication failed
15	Mar 1 03:23:54.836	Debugging	Station 0002.8a9f.1ead Authentication failed
16	Mar 1 03:23:48.493	Debugging	Station 0002.8a9f.1ead Authentication failed
17	Mar 1 03:23:42.130	Debugging	Station 0002.8a9f.1ead Authentication failed

The terminal window shows the following output:


```
root@radiuswn:~# /etc/rc.d/init.d/radiusd restart
Stopping RADIUS server: [ OK ]
Starting RADIUS server: [ OK ]
[root@radiuswn root]# tail -f /var/log/radius/radius.log
Tue Jan 25 14:01:28 2005 : Auth: Login incorrect: [00028a9f1ead/00028a9f1ead] (from client APCisco1 port 325 cli 0002.8a9f.1ead)
Tue Jan 25 14:01:30 2005 : Auth: Login incorrect: [00028a9f1ead/00028a9f1ead] (from client APCisco1 port 326 cli 0002.8a9f.1ead)
Tue Jan 25 14:01:35 2005 : Auth: Login incorrect: [00028a9f1ead/00028a9f1ead] (from client APCisco1 port 327 cli 0002.8a9f.1ead)
Tue Jan 25 14:01:37 2005 : Auth: Login incorrect: [00028a9f1ead/00028a9f1ead] (from client APCisco1 port 328 cli 0002.8a9f.1ead)
Tue Jan 25 14:01:41 2005 : Info: Using deprecated naslist file. Support for this will go away soon.
Tue Jan 25 14:01:41 2005 : Info: Using deprecated clients file. Support for this will go away soon.
Tue Jan 25 14:01:41 2005 : Info: Using deprecated realms file. Support for this will go away soon.
Tue Jan 25 14:01:41 2005 : Info: Listening on IP address *, ports 1812/udp and 1813/udp, with proxy on 1814/udp.
Tue Jan 25 14:01:41 2005 : Info: Ready to process requests.
Tue Jan 25 14:01:42 2005 : Auth: Login OK: [00028a9f1ead] (from client APCisco1 port 328 cli 0002.8a9f.1ead)
```

AP 1200: Configuration via CLI

- All the configurations via HTTP are possible via CLI

- show running-config

```
interface Dot11Radio0
  no ip address
  no ip route-cache
  !
  encryption vlan 3 key 1 size 128bit 7 501B2057424875554B78965D207B
  transmit-key
  encryption vlan 3 mode wep mandatory
  !
  ssid CREATE-NET-TEST
    vlan 4
    authentication open mac-address mac_methods
    accounting acct_methods
    mobility network-id 4
    information-element ssid1 advertisement
  !
  ssid WILMA-LAB
    vlan 3
    authentication open mac-address mac_methods
    accounting acct_methods
    mobility network-id 3
    information-element ssid1 advertisement
  !
  ssid WILMA-LAB-TEST
    vlan 5
    authentication open mac-address mac_methods
    accounting acct_methods
    guest-mode
    mobility network-id 5
```



Analysis of the performances of a Wireless network

IPERF

- Several tools exist for the performances measurement of a network each one with different purposes:
 - Iperf:
 - <http://dast.nlanr.net/Projects/Iperf/>
 - d-itg:
 - <http://www.grid.unina.it/software/ITG/>
 - Netperf:
 - <http://www.netperf.org/netperf/NetperfPage.html>

Iperf: the test

- We want to measure how the performances vary changing some parameters of the configuration of the AP
- We choose Iperf
- After every modification of a parameter run N times Iperf ($N > 20$):
 - We remove the lowest values (10%)
 - We compute the average
 - It is of interest also the best result!

Iperf: the test

- For Avaya AP (after any change of the AP parameters you have to reboot it):
 - Change the working mode: 802.11b, 802.11g, 802.11b/g
 - Change the threshold for RTS/CTS
 - Change the transmission speed (not affected the receiving speed of the AP)
- For CISCO AP:
 - Change the threshold for RTS/CTS
 - Change the threshold for fragmentation
 - Change the speed used

Iperf: Examples

- For example for an Avaya AP:

Speed 54 Mb/sec	Speed 11 Mb/sec
10.0 sec, 25.1 MBytes→ 21.1 Mbits/sec	10.0 sec, 7.03 MBytes→ 5.89 Mbits/sec
10.0 sec, 24.4 MBytes→ 20.4 Mbits/sec	10.0 sec, 7.16 MBytes→ 6.00 Mbits/sec

- Therefore approximately:
 - Speed ratio: $54/11 = 4.9$
 - Performance ratio: $20.75 / 5.945 = 3.49$

Iperf: Examples

- For example for a CISCO AP:

Speed 11 Mb/sec	Speed 1 Mb/sec
10.0 sec, 2.75 MBytes→ 2.30 Mbits/sec	10.4 sec, 872 KBytes→ 684 Kbits/sec
10.0 sec, 3.20 MBytes→ 2.67 Mbits/sec	

- Therefore approximately:
 - Speed ratio: $11/1 = 11$
 - Performance ratio: $2.49 / 0.684 = 3.64$

Iperf: Setup

- The Iperf server (`iperf -u -s`) is on:
 - 192.168.10.30
- You have to run iperf with a command like:
 - `iperf -c 192.168.10.30 -u -b20M -i 5 -t 20`
- Where:
 - `-i 5` means a report any 5 seconds
 - `-t 20` means a simulation 20 seconds long
 - `-u` means UDP transfer mode
 - `-b 20M` means a bandwidth of 20Megabits

Iperf: setup

- For Avaya AP, RTS/CTS and fragmentation test: use bidirectional run!

- -r: do a bidirectional test separately

- -d: do a bidirectional test simultaneously

Do the analysis of the data obtained for the two direction separately (use -r)

- Pay attention to MTU and packet size: choose the threshold for RTS/CTS and fragmentation accordingly with these lengths!

Iperf: setup

- Avaya AP:
 - IP: 192.168.10.15
 - SSID: NCA
 - Passwd: public
- Cisco 1230B:
 - IP: 192.168.10.10
 - SSID: NCB
 - Passwd: Cisco
- Cisco 1310:
 - IP: 192.168.10.5
 - SSID: NCG
 - Passwd: Cisco

Iperf: setup

- ❑ Server: 192.168.10.30
- ❑ Login: wifitest
- ❑ Passwd: wifitest
- ❑ Gain root privileges: `sudo bash`
- ❑ Startup of services (network/dhcpd/iperf):
`./nomadic.sh`
- ❑ Connect all the device (the 3 AP and the laptop-server) to the DLink gigabit switch
- ❑ Use the white network cable to connect the laptop

Lab Report

- You have to:
 - Describe the setup of the test
 - Do a theoretical analysis of the expected results
 - Describe the result obtained with graphs and tables
 - **VERY IMPORTANT:** Do some analysis on the data (Average, Max, Min, Standard Deviation, ...)
 - Write some conclusions