



Standard for Device and Service Discovery on an IEEE Std. 1394 Topology

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 SCOPE

This document will describe the 1394 Device Discovery and status retrieval (DDsr(Function Discovery;FDP)) Protocol Specification which should apply to all devices that connect to the IEEE1394 High Performance Serial Bus. The specification will provide a flexible method for any device to comply to.

1.2 PURPOSE

This purpose of this protocol specification is to define a universal, method for simple discovery of functional units and low-level service discovery within a IEEE1394 device. What will be described is;

- A method for identifying a DDsr(Function Discovery;FDP) compliant node.
- A method for identifying a functional unit (or multiple functional units) within a DDsr(Function Discovery;FDP) compliant node.
- A method for retrieving information on each of the functional units.
- definition of the DDsr(FDP) protocol to support the above functions.

1.3 BACKGROUND

Even though the current IEEE1394-1995 specifies the configuration ROM format following rules of the IEEE 1212 -1994 standards, thus allowing IEEE1394 node discovery, it does not define a common method for discovering the function units within a particular node.

Currently, there are communication protocols focused on IEEE1394 communication such as the Function Command Protocol (FCP) used with the AV command set, and the Serial Bus Protocol-2 (SBP-2) which acts as a lower-layer to command sets. Some of these communication protocol (stacks) each provide a method for discovering the function units of the node, but under the condition that the discovery will be accomplished within that particular protocol definition. There may be other protocols that do not support function discovery at all.

In any case, definition of a universal method for discovery of functional units and low-level service discovery is necessary and will be useful for any 1394 device.

1.4 REFERENCES

- IEEE Std. 1394-1995, Standard for a High Performance Serial Bus
- IEEE Std. 1284-1994, Standard for Signaling Method for a Bidirectional Parallel Peripheral Interface for Personal Computers
- ANSI/IEEE Std. 1212 ISO/IEC 13213 Control and Status Registers (CSR) Architecture for microcomputer buses
- 1394-based Digital Camera Specification Version 1.04 August 9,1996
- AV/C Digital Interface Command Set Version 1.0 September 13,1996

2. DEFINITIONS

2.1 TERMINOLOGY

Datalink

In this document, a “datalink” will be defined as the (or part of the) lowest layer above the transaction layer defined in the IEEE1394-1995 specification. It will be the lowest layer of the printer protocol stack in the communication protocol stack.

Transport

In this document, a “transport” will be defined as the set of communication protocol stacks as a whole. The set will consist of protocol layers ranging from the data-link layer to the application layer.

Node Discovery

In this document, a “node discovery” will be defined as discovering a IEEE1394 node and information which will include DDsr(FDP) protocol compliance. Other node information discovery will include manufacturer and ,model number, global unique ID of the nodes which are defined in the IEEE1394-1995 specification.

Unit (function) Discovery

In this document, a “unit (function) discovery” will be defined as discovering a functional unit (or multiple units) within a IEEE1394 node. A unit or unit class will be categorized by the functionality. Examples of functions would be image output units such as printing functions, image source units such as scanning functions.

Low-level service Discovery

In this document, “Low-level service discovery” is defined as discovering the availability of the datalinks (=lowest layer above 1394 transaction layer), and the entry points of the datalinks.

Device Discovery

In this document, “device discovery” will consist of discovery of the following;

- Node Discovery
- Unit Discovery
- Low-level Service discovery

3. OVERVIEW/FUNCTIONAL CHARACTERISTICS

3.1 Overview

This proposal for the DDsr(FDP) Protocol will not define nor specify a transport ,or datalink , but will define a block in the IEEE1212 configuration ROM for discovering the function units within a node, and then their transports ,or datalinks supported by each function. Examples of function units would be printers, scanners, video cam-corders etc. Examples of datalinks will include XXX over SBP-2 and the AV/C protocol as well as vendor-specific protocols. The DDsr(FDP) Protocol will provide information on unique Ids of each function units, as well as status of each units.

“DDsr(FDP) Protocol” Capable Nodes

Nodes that are capable of the DDsr(FDP) protocol connecting to a DDsr(FDP) compliant target node will execute the DDsr(FDP) protocol. As a result of this protocol execution, the initiator device can discover the function units within the target node, and datalink capability of each unit, and it's entry point. If the initiator discovers the preferred function and supported datalink, it will enable it and make logical connection. From this point on until the image source disconnects, the printer can be controlled using the transport enabled.

Non-“DDsr(FDP) Protocol” Capable Nodes

Nodes that are not capable of the DDsr(FDP) protocol will follow the procedures defined in the communication protocols it supports. This may differ from node to node, so nodes may not be able to establish device discovery or low-level service discovery.

3.2 Operational Model

The following section will describe procedures of the DDsr(FDP) IEEE1394 device.

- The operational model
- Interfaces

A IEEE1394 node will support the DDsr(FDP) Protocol and one or more

communication protocols. The DDsr(FDP) Protocol is defined in this document, and examples of communication protocols may be FCP+AV/C and protocols using SBP-2 as the base layer. It may also be a device specific protocol. The DDsr(FDP) Protocol will be used to discover a (DDsr(FDP) Protocol compliant) device node, the first discover the function unit (s) of the node, and secondly find out the communication protocols each unit supports.

A basic discovery scheme using DDsr(FDP) will take the following sequence.

1. A initiator device will look into (read) the defined address in the configuration ROM of the target node to discover a DDsr(FDP) compliant device node.
2. The initiator device will read out information for the address of the Function_unit directory block, which will store information on the function units available in the node.
3. The initiator will read out the Function_unit directory block and retrieve supported function units of the target node, and pointers for leafs blocks of each unit.
4. If further information is needed on a given function unit, the initiator will read out the leaf block of the function unit which pointer was given in the directory block. The function unit leaf block stores a list of datalink(s) supported by that particular unit, and the pointer to the entry of that datalink. It will also store information on unit-unique Ids(example: Plug and play string)
5. Initiator device will enable the datalink that matches the capabilities of both the initiator and target.

3.3 Interface

Printers will at least support asynchronous bi-directional interfaces that will be used for the DDsr(FDP) Protocol.

4. DDsr(FDP) PROTOCOL DEFINITION

This section will describe the details of the DDsr(FDP) protocol.

The DDsr(FDP) protocol will define and provide 4 main functions:

1. Function 1: Function Unit Discovery
2. Function 2: Low level service discovery of each unit
3. Function 3: Unique ID information retrieval of each unit
4. Function 4: Status retrieval of each unit

In other words, the DDsr(FDP) protocol will allow retrieving information on the functional units within a node, and information on each of the functional units such as the communication protocols each one supports, and some unit Ids unique to each unit.

The DDsr(FDP) protocol will follow the CSR architecture described in ISO/IEC 13213, ANSI/IEEE Std 1212.

Fig 4.1, Fig 4.2 shows the basic architecture and hierarchy of discovery in the DDsr(FDP) protocol

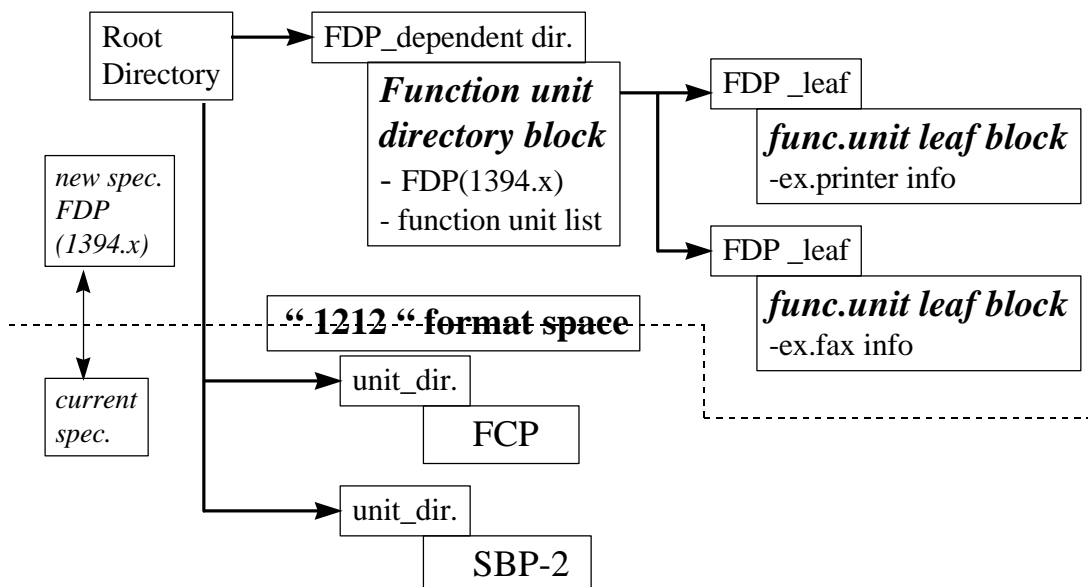


fig 4.1

1394.x (Discovery) Architecture

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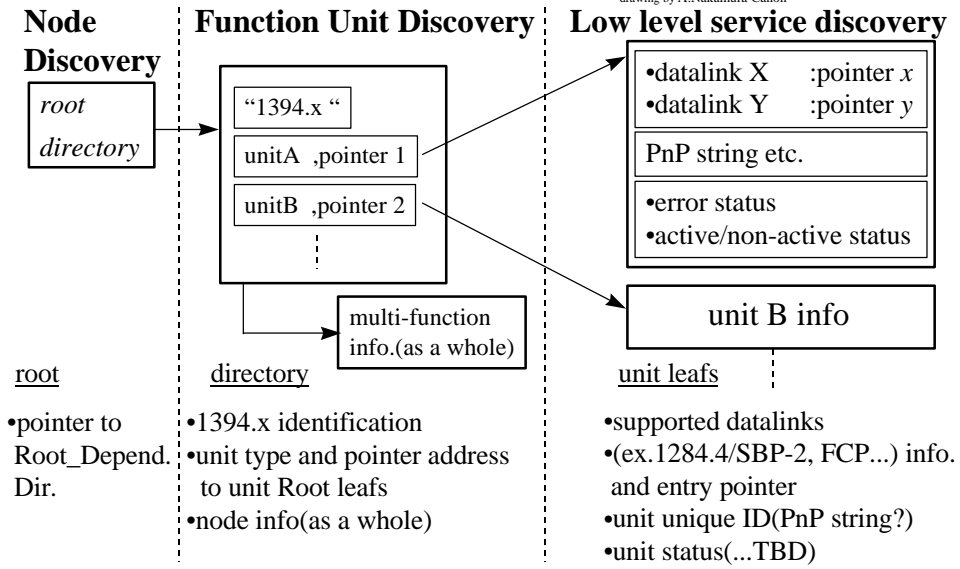


fig 4.2

In this revision, section 4.1 will describe 2 different methods of placement of the DDsr blocks,
 1: A dedicated offset entry and directory for DDsr. (similar to the pwr mngmt entry..see FYI at bottom of page.)
 2: Usage of the Node_dependent_info_offset.....ALTERNATIVE METHOD
This is for study purposes, and 1 method will be defined as the standard in the final specification.

4.1 Root Directory - Configuration ROM

The identification of the DDsr(FDP) Protocol compliant device will be defined by an entry in the Root directory in the configuration ROM with a dedicated IEEE1212 key value.

The DDsr(FDP)_dependent _Directory offset of the Root Directory, of the configuration ROM will be defined by the DDsr(FDP) Protocol.

Address Locations are with respect to the Root Directory which has a base address of:

FFFF F000 0000h

DDsr(FDP)_directory_entry ...ROOT DIRECTORY

This field will identify that this device will support the DDsr(FDP) protocol, and will identify the offset address of the DDsr(FDP) Function_unit directory entry.

Offset	0-7	8-15	16-23	24-31
0438h	D7h or F1h	DDsr_directory offset		

FYI: If the DDsr Protocol shall be part of the IEEE1212 specification, it shall have its dedicated root directory offset entry using the key_value ranging from 17h-2Fh which is reserved for definition by the CSR Architecture.....17h for DDsr(FDP)?

FYI: The IEEE1394 Specification for Power Management has its own (special) root directory offset entry using the key_value of F0h (concatenation of 3h and 30h) which 30h-37h is reserved for definition by the bus standard identified in BUS_INFO_BLOCK. (Which is IEEE1394 in this case.).....31h for DDsr(FDP)?

(17h concatenated with the key_type value of 3h results in D7h, as noted above.)

(31h concatenated with the key_type value of 3h results in F1h, as noted above.)

4.2 DDsr(FDP) Function Unit Directory and Leafs

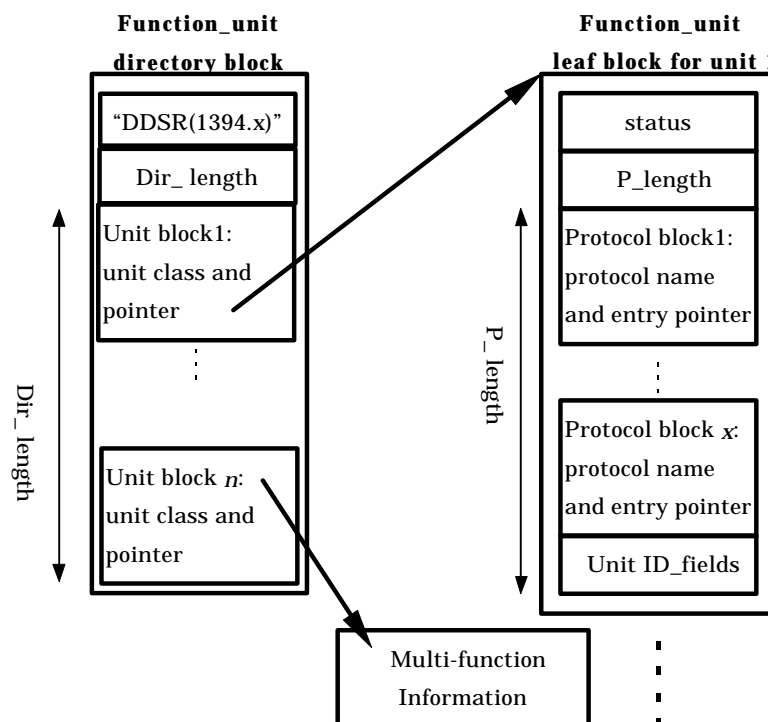
The DDsr(FDP) Register map of a node consists of 2 main parts; 1 Function_unit directory block and 1 or more Function_unit blocks. Readouts of the DDsr(FDP) register map will be done using the read transactions defined in the IEEE1394-1995 specification..

The Function_unit directory block will store information on the function_units within a node. In detail, it will give information on ;

- the function_class of each unit in the node
- pointer to the Function_unit leaf block for each unit

The Function_unit leaf block will store information of each of the function_units within a node. In detail, it will give information on ;

- the protocols supported by the unit
- entry pointer of each of the protocols
- status information of the units

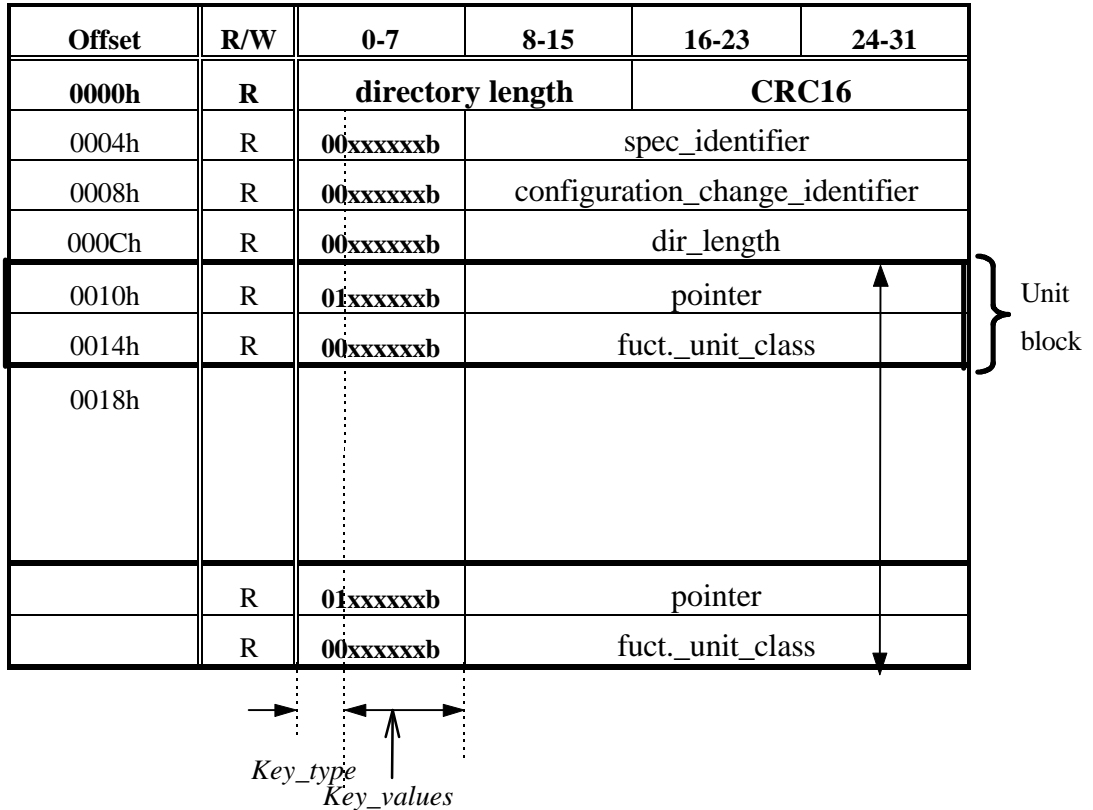


Nodes with multiple function units will have multiple unit blocks, and units supporting multiple datalinks will have multiple protocol blocks.

Information of the multi-function units as a whole (multi-function information) can also be stored in the Functional unit leaf block as well.

4.2.1 Function_unit directory block (unit discovery)

Address offset locations noted in this section are with respect to a base address noted in the Node_Dependent_Info Directory offset in the configuration ROM.



4.2.1.1 Spec_identifier - Key Value : XX

The Spec_identifier field is used to identify compliance with the DDsr(FDP) protocol.

Field	Bit	Description
spec_identifier	[8..31]	“DDsr(FDP)”

4.2.1.2 Configuration_change_identifier- Key Value : XX

The Configuration change identifier field shows a value of a state-change “random” counter. A state-change counter **must** change it’s value when there is a configuration change in the function unit directory or the function unit leaf of any of the functional units.

Field	Bit	Description
Configuration change identifier	[8..31]	value of state-change random counter

4.2.1.3 Dir_length- Key Value : XX

The Dir_length field is used to inform the remaining length of the Function_unit directory block. The value of this field will represent the remaining length of the block in number of quadlets. (refer to above register map)

Field	Bit	Description
Dir_length	[8..31]	remaining length of block in quadlets

4.2.1.4 Unit block (Pointer / Fuct._unit_class) - Key Value : XX

The Pointer field and Fuct._unit_class field are the pair of fields that make up a unit block for each function_unit in the Function_unit directory block. The value of the Fuct._unit_class field will represent the functional class of the unit, and the value of the pointer field will represent the pointer address of the Function_unit leaf block of the unit it represents.

Field	Bit	Description
Pointer	[8..31]	pointer address of the Function_unit leaf block

Field	Bit	Description
Fuct._unit_class	[8..31]	functional class of the unit 0 : others 1 : proprietary node function 2 : proprietary function 3 : printing function ⋮

FYI : From IEEE std 1212 document:

Node_Dependent Info

Used to provide additional information about the node.

The leaf or directory Node_Dependent_Info provodes vendor-dependent information. The format and meaning of this information is dependent on the 48-bit value produced by prepending the 24-bit Node_Vendor_ID value to the 24-bit Node_HW_Version number

Key definitions

*.....The remaining **key_value** values are reserved as follows;*

..... 38_{16} to $3F_{16}$ are allocated for definition by vendors. Vendor-dependent key_value values may be position - and context -dependent. Within a vendor-dependent directory, the meaning of all key-value parameters is also vendor dependent.

4.2.2 Function_ unit leaf block (low-level service discovery)

Address offset locations noted in this section are with respect to the pointer address of each functional_unit noted in the Pointer field of the Function_unit Directory block. (section4.2.1)

Offset	R/W	0-7	8-15	16-23	24-31	
0000h	R	leaf_length		CRC		
0004h	R	functional unit_status				
0008h	R	p_length				
000Ch	R	protocol_name				p_length
0010h						
0014h	R					
0018h	R					
001Ch	R	0h	protocol ID1			
0020h	R	0h	protocol ID2			
0024h	R	entry address				ID_length
⋮	R	Key_type	⋮			
⋮	R	entry address				
⋮	R	ID_length				
⋮	R	unit_info_ID				

} Protocol Block

4.2.2.1 Functional unit_Status.....RAM implementation only TBD

The Status field is used to inform the basic (primitive) functional status of the unit.

Field	Bit	Description
Status/Active	[30]	0 : unit is in non-active state 1 : unit is in active state
Status/Error	[31]	0 : no error 1 : error
	[16..29]	reserved

4.2.2.2 P_length

The P_length field is used to inform the total length of the protocol blocks in this Function_unit leaf block. The value of this field will represent the field length in number of quadlets. (refer to above register map)

If a Protocol block is not used, the value of the P_length will be 0.

Field	Bit	Description
P_length	[0..31]	length of protocol blocks in quadlets

4.2.2.3 Protocol_block(Protocol_name,protocol_ID1,2,entry_address)

In this revision, section 4.2.2.3 will describe 3 parts, or 3 ways to specify a protocol in a protocol block.

- 1: Protocol description in ASCII
- 2: Protocol description using Unit_Spec_Id, Unit_Sw_Ver.
- 3: Entry offset related to protocol

Of the 3 ways, 3:Entry offset will be a minimum requirement. The other necessary fields (1 or 2, or both) to describe the protocols are TBD.

The Protocol block is comprised of 3 parts;

- 1) the Protocol_name field
- 2) the Protocol ID fields, and
- 3) the entry_address field with a key_type(used to specify the characteristics of the entry_address field).

The **Protocol_name field** is a 4 quadlet field used to specify the supported datalinks of the function_unit in ASCII.

Field	Bit	Description
Protocol_name	[0..31]	The name of the datalink supported by the unit in ASCII.

The **protocol ID fields** consist of 2 fields that when prepended, will specify the datalink ;

- 1: The **Protocol_ID 1 field** will have the same value used in the **unit_spec_id, node_spec_id, or the module_spec_id** field of the configuration ROM that best describes the datalink. (Usually a unit_spec_id in the unit_directory defined in each datalink specification.)
- 2: The **Protocol_ID 2 field** will have the same value used in the **unit_sw_version, node_sw_version, or the module_sw_version** field of the configuration ROM that best describes the datalink. (Usually a unit_sw_version in the unit_directory defined in each datalink specification.)

In case *** spec id or *** sw version are not provided in a particular node, the values of Protocol ID 1 will be the assumed value for unit spec id, and Protocol ID 2 field will be the assumed value for unit sw version . Assumed values for unit spec id and unit sw version are defined in the ISO/IEC 13213, ANSI/IEEE Std 1212 document.

Field	Bit	Description
Protocol_ID1	[8..31]	The unit_spec_id value of the datalink supported by the unit.
Protocol_ID2	[8..31]	The unit_sw_version value of the datalink supported by the unit.

The **entry_address field** with the **key_type** will inform the node_ID and the entry offset address of the datalink noted above.

The entry_address field for a datalink having a corresponding unit directory shall point to that unit_directory, in which case the value of key_type shall be 3.

Field	Bit	Description
key_type	[0....1]	0 : immediate value
		1 : initial-register space offset for a immediate value
		2 : indirect-space offset for a leaf
		3 : indirect-space offset for a directory
entry_address	[2..31]	address for datalink entry.

4.2.2.4 ID_length

The ID_length field is used to inform the total length of the Unit_info_ID field for this Function_unit leaf block. The value of this field will represent the field length in number of quadlets. (refer to above register map)

Field	Bit	Description
ID_length	[0..31]	length of Unit_info_ID field in quadlets

4.2.2.5 Unit_info ID

The multi-quadlet Unit_info ID field is used to inform an unique ID of the function unit. The contents of the Unit_info ID field will at least include a function unit ID field that will follow the format of the Device ID field defined in section 7.6 of the IEEE std 1284-1994.

Field	Bit	Description
Unit_info ID	[0..31]	unit ID string

FYI : From IEEE std 1212 document:

from section 8.1.3.....Driver and diagnostic identifiers

.....The arrows in figure 53 illustrate the default values for various company_id values. For example, when Node_Spec_Id is not provided, its assumed value shall be equal to Node_Vendor Id. Similarly when Node_Vendor_id is not provided, its assumed value shall be equal to Module_Vendor_Id.

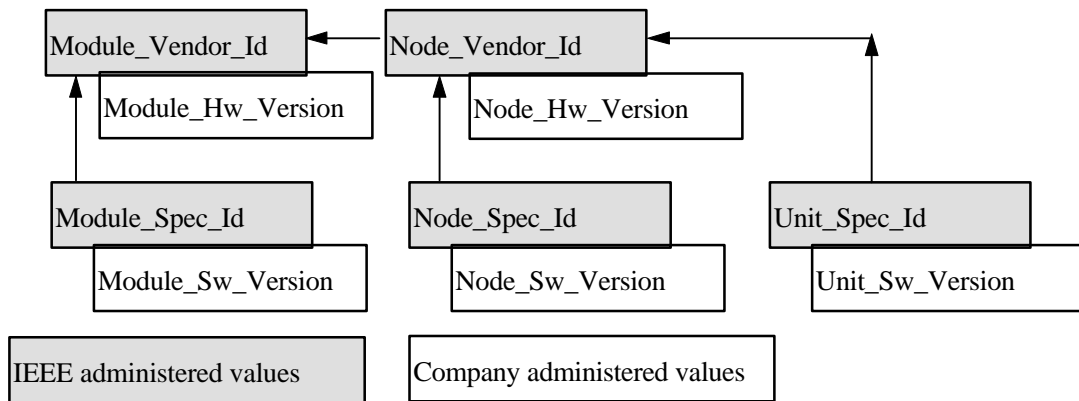


Fig.53

.....The Module_Sw_Version, Node_Sw_Version, and the Unit_Sw_Version values (when concatenated with their respective specifier identifier, such as Module_Spec_Id) are expected to uniquely identify the appropriate I/O driver software for the module, node, unit, respectively.

4.3 Bus Reset - Reconnection

There are no DDsr(FDP) protocol reconnection functions for re-establishing connection after a 1394 bus reset. In other words, the transport in progress when bus-reset occurs will be responsible for reconnection after bus reset is cleared.

Naturally ,

transport candidates for the DDsr(FDP) protocol require support for reconnection functions in the case of a 1394 bus reset.

Bus Reset - Reconnection Requirements

Values of the fields of the DDsr(FDP) Protocol that will dynamically change;

1. shall not change during bus reset
2. shall be updated by the device upon reconnection with a time limit of 1sec after bus-reset is cleared. Methods of updating are beyond the scope of the proposal.

Devices connecting to DDsr(FDP) compliant nodes shall keep track of the **values of the Configuration-state counter field** for any changes in configuration change of the node.

5. IEEE 1394 SPECIFIC ADDRESS SPACE

The IEEE1394 printer compliant with this specification should be compliant with IEEE1394 and IEEE1212 standards. This section will describe the CSR and Configuration ROM locations that the printer will implement. All locations are intended to comply with the IEEE1394 standard.

Address Locations noted in this section are with respect to a base address of:

FFFF F000 0000h

5.1 CSR

The printer will implement the following CSR's, as required by the IEEE 1394 standard. :

CORE CSRs

offset	0-7	8-15	16-23	24-31
0000h	STATE_CLEAR			
0004h	STATE_SET			
0008h	NODE_IDS			
000Ch	RESET_START			
0010h				
0014h				
0018h	SPLIT_TIMEOUT_HI			
001Ch	SPLIT_TIMEOUT_LO			

SERIAL BUS DEPENDENT CSRs

offset	0-7	8-15	16-23	24-31
0200h	CYCLE_TIME			
0204h				
0208h				
020Ch				
0210h	BUSY_TIMEOUT			

5.2 CONFIGURATION ROM

The printer will implement the following CONFIGURATION ROM as well as the DDsr(FDP) defined Blocks

METHOD 1

BUS INFORMATION BLOCK

offset	0-7	8-15	16-23	24-31
0400h	04h	crc_length	rom_crc_value	
0404h	31h	33h	39h	34h
0408h	****	rsv	FFh	****
			rsv	
040Ch	node_vendor_id			chip_id_hi
0410h	chip_id_lo			

ROOT DIRECTORY

offset	0-7	8-15	16-23	24-31
0414h	0009h		CRC	
0418h	03h	module_vendor_id		
041Ch	17h	module_dependent_info leaf offset		
0420h	0Ch	node_capabilities		
0424h	08h	node_vendor_id		
0428h	09h	node_hw_version		
0430h	8Dh	node_unique_id_leaf_offset		
0434h	F1h	DDsr_dependent_dir_offset		
0438h	D1h	unit_directory_offset(s)		

NODE UNIQUE ID LEAF

offset	0-7	8-15	16-23	24-31
0000h	0002h		CRC	
0004h	node_vendor_id			chip_id_hi
0008h	chip_id_lo			