

Phase 3.5: Interactive Config Builder - Test Plan

Prerequisites

- Package built and installed: `dbus-mqtt-bridge_0.1.0-1_amd64.deb`
- Terminal with ncurses support (any modern terminal)
- MQTT broker running (for testing generated configs)
- D-Bus system and/or session bus accessible

Test Suite 1: Basic Functionality

Test 1.1: Help Display for Generator

Objective: Verify `--generate-config` is documented in help

Steps:

```
bash
dbus-mqtt-bridge --help
```

Expected Output:

- Help text includes `--generate-config` option
- Shows `--from FILE` option
- Shows `-o FILE` option
- Includes example: `dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config`

Verification:

- ☐ `--generate-config` option listed
 - ☐ Examples shown
 - ☐ Usage syntax clear
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Test 1.2: Fresh Interactive Config Generation

Objective: Generate a new config from scratch

Steps:

```
bash
dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config
```

Interactive Steps:

1. Enter MQTT broker: `localhost`
2. Accept default port: `1883` (press Enter)
3. Authentication: `n` (no)
4. Bus type: Select `system` (arrow keys + Enter)
5. Mappings: Select `[c] Continue` (skip for now)
6. Output path: `test-fresh.yaml`

Expected Behavior:

- ✓ Prompts appear in order
- ✓ Defaults shown in brackets
- ✓ Bus type uses ncurses selection
- ✓ Config saved successfully
- ✓ File contains valid YAML

Verification:

```
bash
cat test-fresh.yaml
dbus-mqtt-bridge --validate-only test-fresh.yaml # Should be valid
```

Checklist:

- ☐ All prompts displayed
 - ☐ Navigation worked
 - ☐ File created
 - ☐ YAML structure correct
 - ☐ Validation passes
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Test 1.3: Output to Stdout

Objective: Config printed to stdout when no path given

Steps:

```
bash
dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config
```

Interactive Steps:

1. Configure MQTT (any values)
2. Select bus type
3. Skip mappings
4. Output path: (press Enter for stdout)

Expected Output:

```
---
mqtt:
  broker: localhost
  port: 1883
...
---
```

Verification:

- ☐ YAML printed to stdout
 - ☐ Formatted correctly
 - ☐ Can redirect: `dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config > config.yaml`
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Test Suite 2: D-Bus Introspection

Test 2.1: Service List Navigation

Objective: Browse D-Bus services with ncurses

Steps:

```
bash

dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config
```

Interactive Steps:

1. MQTT config: defaults
2. Bus type: system
3. Add mapping: `[a] Add new mapping`
4. Service name: `list`

Expected Behavior:

- ✓ Ncurses UI appears
- ✓ Two sections: SYSTEM BUS and SESSION BUS
- ✓ Services listed with `[SYS]` and `[SES]` prefixes
- ✓ Can navigate with arrow keys
- ✓ Selection highlights current item
- ✓ Scroll indicators if list is long

Keyboard Tests:

- ☐ ↑ key moves up
- ☐ ↓ key moves down
- ☐ Page Up scrolls up
- ☐ Page Down scrolls down
- ☐ Home goes to first item
- ☐ End goes to last item
- ☐ Enter selects item
- ☐ 'q' cancels
- ☐ 'm' allows manual entry

Verification:

```
bash
```

```
# Should see services like:
```

```
[SYS] org.freedesktop.systemd1
```

```
[SYS] org.freedesktop.NetworkManager
```

```
[SES] org.freedesktop.Notifications
```

Test 2.2: Service Selection and Bus Detection

Objective: Selecting service sets correct bus type

Steps:

```
bash
```

```
dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config
```

Interactive Steps:

1. MQTT config: defaults
2. Bus type: system
3. Add D-Bus→MQTT mapping
4. Service:
5. Select (session service)

Expected Behavior:

- ✓ Warning shown: "This is a SESSION bus service"
- ✓ Prompts to switch to session bus
- ✓ Shows implications of session bus

Verification:

- ☐ Bus mismatch warning displayed
 - ☐ Prompted to switch
 - ☐ If accepted, bus_type becomes "session"
 - ☐ Implications shown (user service, ~/.config, etc.)
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Test 2.3: Path Introspection

Objective: Discover object paths via introspection

Steps:

```
bash  
  
dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config
```

Interactive Steps:

1. Configure up to D-Bus service selection
2. Service: (or type manually)
3. Path:

Expected Behavior:

- ✓ Shows "Introspecting org.freedesktop.NetworkManager..."
- ✓ Lists available paths
- ✓ Allows selection or manual entry

Verification:

- ☐ Introspection completes
 - ☐ Paths listed (at least `/`)
 - ☐ Can select from list
 - ☐ Can still enter manually with 'm'
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Test 2.4: Interface Discovery

Objective: List interfaces via introspection

Steps:

```
bash  
  
dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config
```

Interactive Steps:

1. Service: `org.freedesktop.NetworkManager`
2. Path: `/org/freedesktop/NetworkManager`
3. Interface: `introspect`

Expected Behavior:

- ✓ Introspects the path
- ✓ Lists available interfaces
- ✓ Includes standard interfaces (Introspectable, Properties, etc.)
- ✓ Allows selection

Verification:

- ☐ Multiple interfaces shown
 - ☐ Includes `org.freedesktop.NetworkManager`
 - ☐ Selection works
 - ☐ Manual entry still available
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Test 2.5: Signal Discovery

Objective: Find available signals in an interface

Steps:

```
bash  
  
dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config
```

Interactive Steps:

1. Service: `org.freedesktop.NetworkManager`
2. Path: `/org/freedesktop/NetworkManager`
3. Interface: `org.freedesktop.NetworkManager`
4. Signal: `introspect`

Expected Behavior:

- ✓ Shows signals like `StateChanged`, `PropertiesChanged`
- ✓ Allows selection
- ✓ Ncurses navigation works

Verification:

- ☐ Signals listed
 - ☐ Can select
 - ☐ Selected signal name is valid
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Test 2.6: Method Discovery (MQTT→D-Bus)

Objective: Find available methods for MQTT→D-Bus mappings

Steps:

```
bash  
dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config
```

Interactive Steps:

1. Configure MQTT and bus
2. Skip D-Bus→MQTT mappings
3. Add MQTT→D-Bus mapping
4. Configure topic: `test/topic`
5. Service/path/interface: (as above)
6. Method: `introspect`

Expected Behavior:

- ✓ Lists available methods
- ✓ Allows selection

Verification:

- ☐ Methods listed
 - ☐ Can select
 - ☐ Method name valid
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Test Suite 3: Config Loading and Editing

Test 3.1: Load Partial Config

Objective: Load existing config and fill missing fields

Steps:

```
bash

# Create partial config
cat > partial-test.yaml <<'EOF'
mqtt:
  broker: mqtt.example.com
  port: 1883
EOF

dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config --from partial-test.yaml -o complete-test.yaml
```

Expected Behavior:

- ✓ Loads existing MQTT config
- ✓ Uses as defaults in prompts
- ✓ Skips prompts for valid fields
- ✓ Only asks for missing fields (bus_type, mappings)

Verification:

```
bash

cat complete-test.yaml
# Should have mqtt.example.com as broker
# Should have bus_type added
```

Checklist:

- ☐ Existing values loaded
 - ☐ Used as defaults
 - ☐ Only prompted for missing fields
 - ☐ Final config complete
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Test 3.2: Fix Invalid Config

Objective: Load broken config and fix errors

Steps:

```
bash

# Create invalid config
cat > broken-test.yaml <<'EOF'
mqtt:
  broker: "not a valid hostname!"
  port: 99999
bus_type: invalid_type
mappings:
  dbus_to_mqtt:
    - service: "bad-service-name"
      path: "no-leading-slash"
      interface: "org.example.Test"
      signal: "Signal"
      topic: "test/#"
  mqtt_to_dbus: []
EOF

dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config --from broken-test.yaml -o fixed-test.yaml
```

Expected Behavior:

- ✓ Loads config
- ✓ Validates immediately
- ✓ Shows all errors:
 - Invalid broker
 - Invalid port (> 65535)
 - Invalid bus_type
 - Invalid service name (no dots)
 - Invalid path (no leading /)
 - Invalid topic (wildcard in publish)
- ✓ Prompts to fix
- ✓ Re-prompts for each invalid field
- ✓ Final config is valid

Verification:

```
bash
```

```
dbus-mqtt-bridge --validate-only fixed-test.yaml  
# Should pass validation
```

Checklist:

- ☐ Errors detected
 - ☐ All errors shown
 - ☐ Prompted to fix
 - ☐ Each error corrected
 - ☐ Final validation passes
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Test 3.3: Credentials Never Loaded

Objective: Verify passwords are never loaded from file (security)

Steps:

```
bash
```

```
# Create config with credentials
```

```
cat > with-creds.yaml <<'EOF'
```

```
mqtt:
```

```
  broker: localhost
```

```
  port: 1883
```

```
  auth:
```

```
    username: testuser
```

```
    password: secretpassword
```

```
bus_type: system
```

```
mappings:
```

```
  dbus_to_mqtt: []
```

```
  mqtt_to_dbus: []
```

```
EOF
```

```
dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config --from with-creds.yaml
```

Expected Behavior:

- ✓ Loads other config
- ✓ ALWAYS prompts for authentication
- ✓ Does NOT show old password
- ✓ Requires re-entering credentials

Verification:

- ☐ Auth prompt appears
 - ☐ No default password shown
 - ☐ Must enter fresh credentials
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Test Suite 4: Mapping Management

Test 4.1: Add D-Bus→MQTT Mapping

Objective: Create a D-Bus to MQTT mapping

Steps:

```
bash

dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config
```

Interactive Steps:

1. MQTT: defaults
2. Bus: system
3. D-Bus→MQTT: [a] Add new mapping
4. Service: org.freedesktop.NetworkManager (or use list)
5. Path: /org/freedesktop/NetworkManager
6. Interface: org.freedesktop.NetworkManager
7. Signal: StateChanged
8. Topic: network/state
9. Continue: [c] Continue
10. Skip MQTT→D-Bus
11. Save config

Verification:

```
bash

cat config.yaml
# Should have:
# mappings:
#   dbus_to_mqtt:
#     - service: org.freedesktop.NetworkManager
#       path: /org/freedesktop/NetworkManager
#       interface: org.freedesktop.NetworkManager
#       signal: StateChanged
#       topic: network/state
```

Checklist:

- ☐ Mapping added
 - ☐ All fields correct
 - ☐ Saved to config
 - ☐ Config validates
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Test 4.2: Edit Existing Mapping

Objective: Modify an existing mapping

Steps:

```
bash

dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config --from config.yaml
```

Interactive Steps:

1. D-Bus→MQTT: [e] Edit mapping
2. Enter number: 1
3. Change topic to: system/network/state
4. Keep other fields (press Enter for defaults)

Verification:

- ☐ Existing values shown as defaults
 - ☐ Can modify individual fields
 - ☐ Mapping updated in final config
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Test 4.3: Delete Mapping

Objective: Remove a mapping

Steps:

```
bash

dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config --from config.yaml
```

Interactive Steps:

1. D-Bus→MQTT: [d] Delete mapping
2. Enter number: 1
3. Confirm: y

Verification:

- ☐ Confirmation prompt shown
 - ☐ Mapping removed
 - ☐ List updates
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Test 4.4: Add MQTT→D-Bus Mapping

Objective: Create MQTT to D-Bus mapping

Steps:

```
bash  
  
dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config
```

Interactive Steps:

1. Configure MQTT and bus
2. Skip D-Bus→MQTT
3. MQTT→D-Bus: [a] Add new mapping
4. Topic: control/command
5. Service/path/interface/method: (configure as needed)

Verification:

- ☐ Mapping added
 - ☐ Topic field first (different order from D-Bus→MQTT)
 - ☐ Method instead of signal
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Test 4.5: Wildcard Topic Warning

Objective: Warn about wildcards in subscriptions

Steps:

```
bash  
  
dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config
```

Interactive Steps:

1. Add MQTT→D-Bus mapping
2. Topic: sensors/+/temperature/#

Expected Behavior:

- ✓ Accepts topic (wildcards allowed in subscriptions)
- ✓ Shows warning about wildcard usage
- ✓ Validation passes with warning

Verification:

- ☐ Topic accepted
 - ☐ Warning shown during validation
 - ☐ Config still valid (warnings don't fail)
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Test Suite 5: Error Handling

Test 5.1: Non-existent Service Warning

Objective: Warn when service doesn't exist

Steps:

```
bash  
  
dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config
```

Interactive Steps:

1. Service: (manual entry)

Expected Behavior:

- ✓ Warning: "Service not found on any bus"
- ✓ Prompts: "Continue anyway?"
- ✓ If yes, allows continuing
- ✓ If no, re-prompts

Verification:

- ☐ Warning shown
 - ☐ User choice respected
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Test 5.2: Introspection Failure

Objective: Handle services that don't support introspection

Steps:

```
bash
```

```
dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config
```

Interactive Steps:

1. Service: (one that might not support introspection)
2. Path: `introspect`

Expected Behavior:

- ✓ Shows error message
- ✓ Falls back to manual entry
- ✓ Doesn't crash

Verification:

- ☐ Error handled gracefully
 - ☐ Can continue with manual entry
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Test 5.3: Invalid Permission on Output File

Objective: Handle write permission errors

Steps:

```
bash
```

```
dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config
```

Interactive Steps:

1. Generate valid config
2. Output path: `/root/config.yaml` (no permission)

Expected Behavior:

- ✓ Error: "Could not write to /root/config.yaml"
- ✓ Prints: "Output would be:"
- ✓ Shows full config to stdout

Verification:

- ☐ Error message shown
- ☐ Config printed to stdout
- ☐ Can copy/paste output

Test Suite 6: Integration Testing

Test 6.1: Generated Config Works

Objective: Config generated by tool runs successfully

Steps:

```
bash

# Generate config with real mapping
dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config -o /tmp/test-integration.yaml

# Use session bus for easier testing
# Add: org.freedesktop.Notifications → notifications/closed
```

Run the bridge:

```
bash

dbus-mqtt-bridge /tmp/test-integration.yaml
```

Trigger signal:

```
bash

notify-send --expire-time=2000 "Test" "Message"
```

Verification:

- ☐ Config loads without errors
 - ☐ Bridge starts
 - ☐ Validation passes at startup
 - ☐ Signal triggered successfully
 - ☐ (If MQTT monitoring) Message received
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Test 6.2: Fixed Config Works

Objective: Broken config fixed by tool works

Steps:


```
bash
```

```
# Create broken config (from Test 3.2)
```

```
# Fix it with generator
```

```
# Run the fixed config
```

```
dbus-mqtt-bridge fixed-test.yaml
```

Verification:

- ☐ Fixed config loads
 - ☐ No validation errors
 - ☐ Bridge runs
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Test Summary Checklist

Core Functionality

- ☐ Interactive generation works
- ☐ Output to file works
- ☐ Output to stdout works
- ☐ Help shows --generate-config

D-Bus Introspection

- ☐ Service list appears
- ☐ Ncurses navigation works
- ☐ Bus detection works
- ☐ Path introspection works
- ☐ Interface discovery works
- ☐ Signal discovery works
- ☐ Method discovery works

Config Loading

- ☐ Partial config loads
- ☐ Invalid config detected
- ☐ Errors fixed interactively
- ☐ Credentials never loaded
- ☐ Existing values used as defaults

Mapping Management

- ☐ Add D-Bus→MQTT mapping
- ☐ Add MQTT→D-Bus mapping
- ☐ Edit mapping
- ☐ Delete mapping
- ☐ Wildcard warnings shown

Error Handling

- ☐ Non-existent service warnings
- ☐ Introspection failures handled
- ☐ Permission errors handled
- ☐ Invalid input rejected

Integration

- ☐ Generated config runs
- ☐ Fixed config runs
- ☐ Validation passes
- ☐ Actual bridging works

Success Criteria

All tests pass with:

- ✓ No crashes
- ✓ Clear error messages
- ✓ Intuitive navigation
- ✓ Valid output configs
- ✓ Working bridge functionality