

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 `-f FILE` option
- Shows `-o FILE` option
- Includes example: `dbus-mqtt-bridge --generate-config`

Verification:

- `--generate-config` option listed
- Examples shown
- Usage syntax clear

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 org.freedesktop.Notifications (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 0)
 - 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
-

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
-

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: `org.nonexistent.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

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