

WiFi Module 1

1. In which OSL layer the Wi-Fi standard/protocol fits.

The WiFi standard primarily fits on 2 layer

→ Physical layer

-> Data Link layer

Physical Layer – Gives the modulation rate, coding rate.

Data Link Layer - Manages access to the wireless medium and data framing.

2. Can you share the Wi-Fi devices that you are using day to day life, share that device's wireless capability/properties after connecting to network. Match your device to corresponding Wi-Fi Generations based on properties

Laptop, Smartphone are Wi-Fi devices that I usually use.

My laptop has Realtek RTL8852AE WiFi 6 802.11ax PCIe Adapter and hence it supports WIFI 6 technology

My phone on the other hand supports only upto 802.11ac and hence it is WIFI 5 technology

3. What is BSS and ESS?

BSS stands for basic Service Set

It basically includes all devices that are under a single Access Point(AP).

They have a unique BSSID

Ex: Home network

ESS stands for Extended Service Set

Several BSS along with a central Distributed system forms an ESS

All APs have same SSID but different BSSID

Ex: Enterprise network

4. What are the basic functionalities of Wi-Fi Accesspoint

Basic Functionalities of a WiFi accesspoint Include

- > Wireless Signal Transmission & Reception
- > Device Authentication & Association
- > Data Forwarding

- > Multiple SSID & VLAN Support
- > Roaming & Handoff Support (ESS)
- > Network Traffic Management & QoS

5. Difference between Bridge mode and Repeater mode

Bridge Mode:

- > This is used to bridge two different networks. This reduces traffic congestion
- > It can also be called as a repeater with an add on function of forwarding

Repeater:

- > This is used to regenerate the signals and send it over long distances

6. what are the differences between 802.11a and 802.11b.

802.11a:

- > Operates in 5 Ghz
- > Uses OFDM technique
- > Better speed compared to 802.11b
- > Range is shorter

802.11b:

- > Operates in 2.4 Ghz
- > Uses DSSS Technique
- > Lower speed compared to 802.11a
- > Longer Range

7. Configure your modem/hotspot to operate only in 2.4Ghz and connect your laptop/Wi-Fi device , and capture the capability/properties in your Wi-Fi device. Repeat the same in 5Ghz and tabulate all the differences you observed during this

As you can see these are the details observed when connecting in 5 Ghz

Protocol:	Wi-Fi 5 (802.11ac)
Security type:	WPA2-Personal
Manufacturer:	Realtek Semiconductor Corp.
Description:	Realtek RTL8852AE WiFi 6 802.11ax PCIe Adapter
Driver version:	6001.10.351.0
Network band (channel):	5 GHz (36)
Aggregated link speed (Receive/Transmit):	866/866 (Mbps)
Link-local IPv6 address:	fe80::82d3:1b30:fd64:2ced%14
IPv6 default gateway:	fe80::1%14
IPv6 DNS servers:	fe80::1%14 (Unencrypted) fe80::1%14 (Unencrypted)
IPv4 address:	192.168.1.15
IPv4 DNS servers:	202.88.152.8 (Unencrypted) 202.88.152.10 (Unencrypted)
Physical address (MAC):	3C-55-76-6B-17-9B

We can see the Network Band and it's speed.

Now let me change it and connect to 2.4Ghz and observe the same.

Protocol:	Wi-Fi 4 (802.11n)
Security type:	WPA2-Personal
Manufacturer:	Realtek Semiconductor Corp.
Description:	Realtek RTL8852AE WiFi 6 802.11ax PCIe Adapter
Driver version:	6001.10.351.0
Network band (channel):	2.4 GHz (7)
Aggregated link speed (Receive/Transmit):	300/300 (Mbps)
Link-local IPv6 address:	fe80::82d3:1b30:fd64:2ced%14
IPv6 default gateway:	fe80::1%14
IPv6 DNS servers:	fe80::1%14 (Unencrypted) fe80::1%14 (Unencrypted)
IPv4 address:	192.168.1.15
IPv4 DNS servers:	202.88.152.8 (Unencrypted) 202.88.152.10 (Unencrypted)
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We can see that the protocol the network band are all changed and speed is reduced.

8.What is the difference between IEEE and WFA

IEEE is a standard. It defines technical standards for Wifi.

WFA stands for WiFi Alliance it is a Non-Profit organisation that only certifies Wifi products for interoperability.

Any WFA certified products are interoperable with each other.

9. List down the type of Wi-Fi internet connectivity backhaul, share your home/college's wireless internet connectivity backhaul name and its properties

- > Fiber Optics
- > MoCa
- > Satellite
- > Cellular

My college has Fiber Optics Backhaul

In my home also we have Fiber Optics backhaul.

10. List down the Wi-Fi topologies and use cases of each one.

- > Infrastructure Mode – Enterprise
- > Adhoc mode – Multiplayer Local Gaming
- > Bridge Mode – Two different buildings of an enterprise
- > Repeater Mode- Enterprise