



Function Discovery Protocol

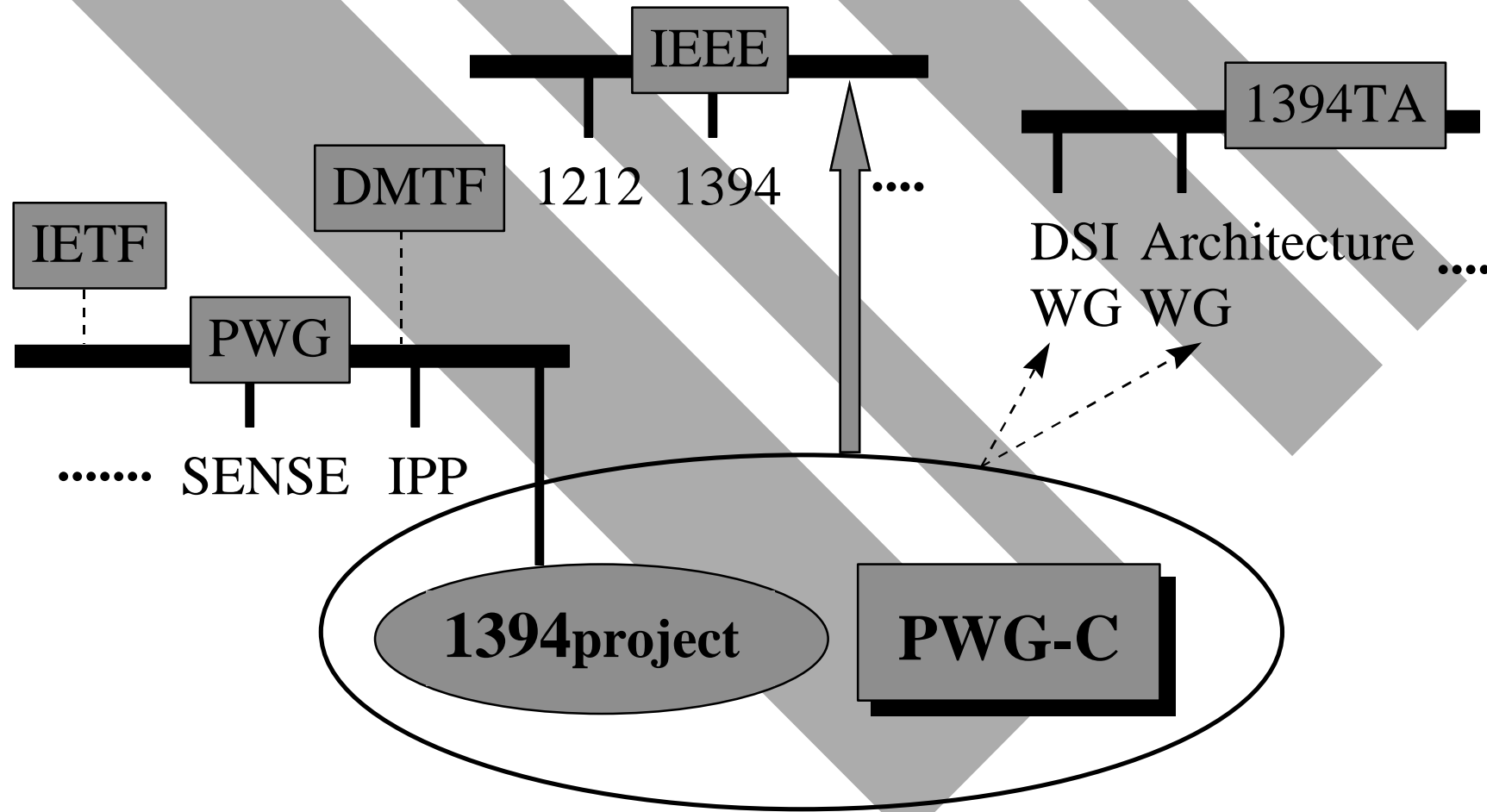
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Function Discovery Standard

Terminology-1

.....discussed at PWG-C meeting in June

- **Device (node) Discovery**

- mfr,model# of node
- 1394.x support
- unique ID (serial number, GUID?)

- **Unit (function) Discovery**

- functional unit class (ex. printer)
 - not categorization by protocols

- **Low-level service Discovery**

- availability of lowest layer above 1394 transaction layer [datalink](#)

- **High-level service Discovery**

- high -level service information

Terminology-2

.....defined at PWG meeting in May

- **Transport**

- set of layers above the 1394 transaction layer
- **Thick Transport-PC printing stack**
- **Thin transport-Peer to peer stack**

- **Datalink**

- lowest layer above 1394 transaction layer

Function Discovery Protocol

(FDP /based on Canon-DDsrP) - Objective

■ Objective:

- Provide a “shortcut” method for IEEE1394 Function Discovery.

- “Discover the unit functions first,
then their supported protocols (and ID).”

as an alternative to current “protocol-first” discovery.

Function Discovery Protocol (FDP /based on Canon-DDsrP) - Functions

■ Functions:

● Main Function = Discovery of

1. Device(1394.x compliant node)

2. Function (units)

Provide a single block **Function-unit list**

3. Low-level service (of each function)

Provide a single block **Protocol -list with
function-unit ID** for each function

● Sub Function = Minimum (login-less) unit status retrieval.(error/no error, unit active/non active)

Function Discovery Protocol

(FDP/based on Canon-DDsrP) - Features

■ Features:

- Use CSR architecture.
- **NO CONFLICT** with existing Config.ROM definitions (ex. Unit_Directories of SBP-2, FCP...) - which discover the protocols first....
- Global.....Device/Function (unit) independent

Positioning of FDP

1) Incorporate into IEEE1212

- define a dedicated key_value(17h-2Fh) and field for FDP in the Root Directory of IEEE1212.
 - to point to a FDP (root-dependent)directory.

2) Incorporate into IEEE 1394

- define a dedicated key_value(30h-37h) and field for FDP in the Root Directory of IEEE1394.
 - to point to a FDP (root-dependent)directory.
 - ex. IEEE1394 power management (30h)

FDP Usage and Information retrieved

step1: DEVICE(node) INFO. (Function unit directory)

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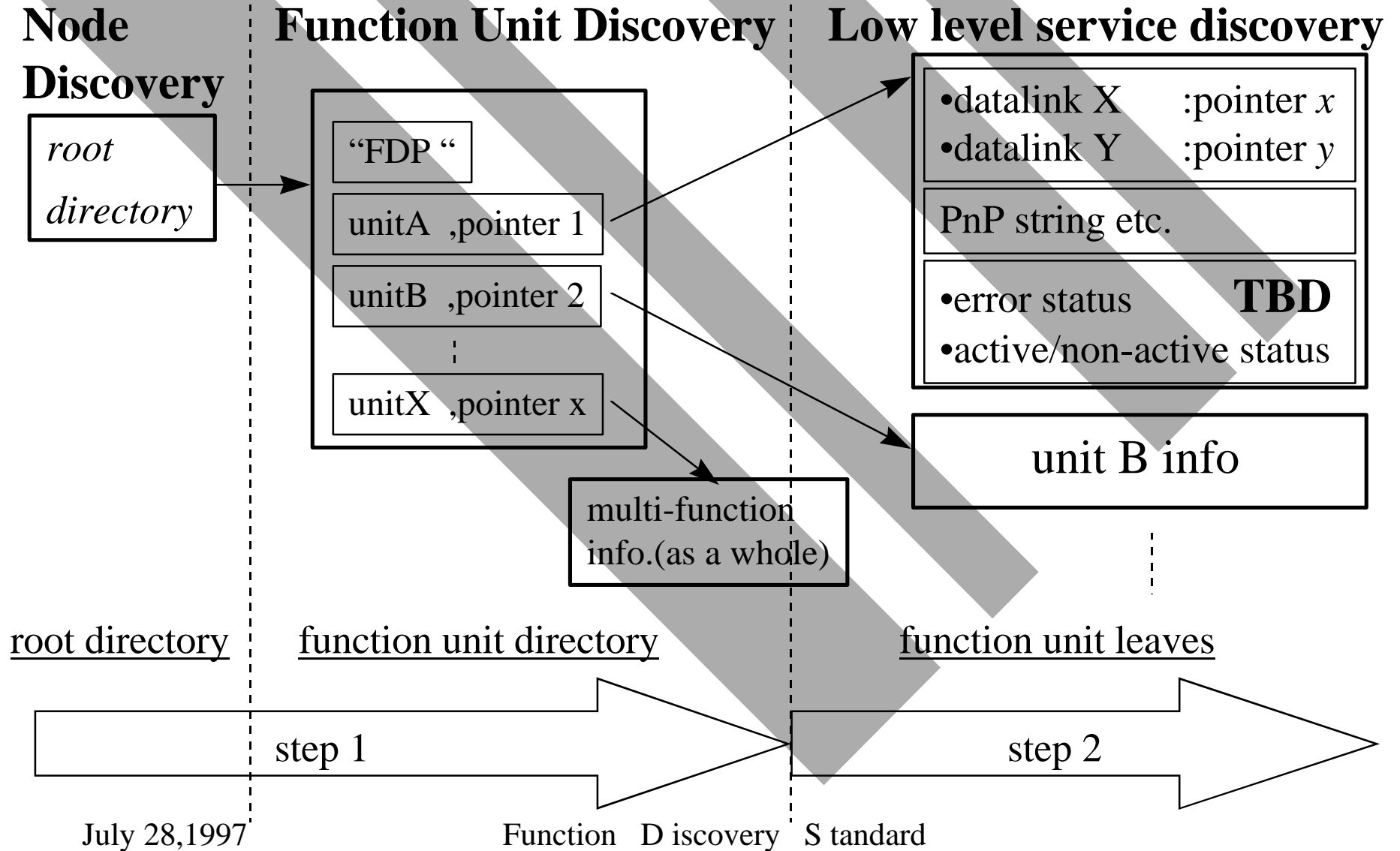
1. node description(=FDP device)
2. supported function (units) and pointer to unit “leafs”

step 2: FUNCTION UNIT INFO.(Function unit leaf)

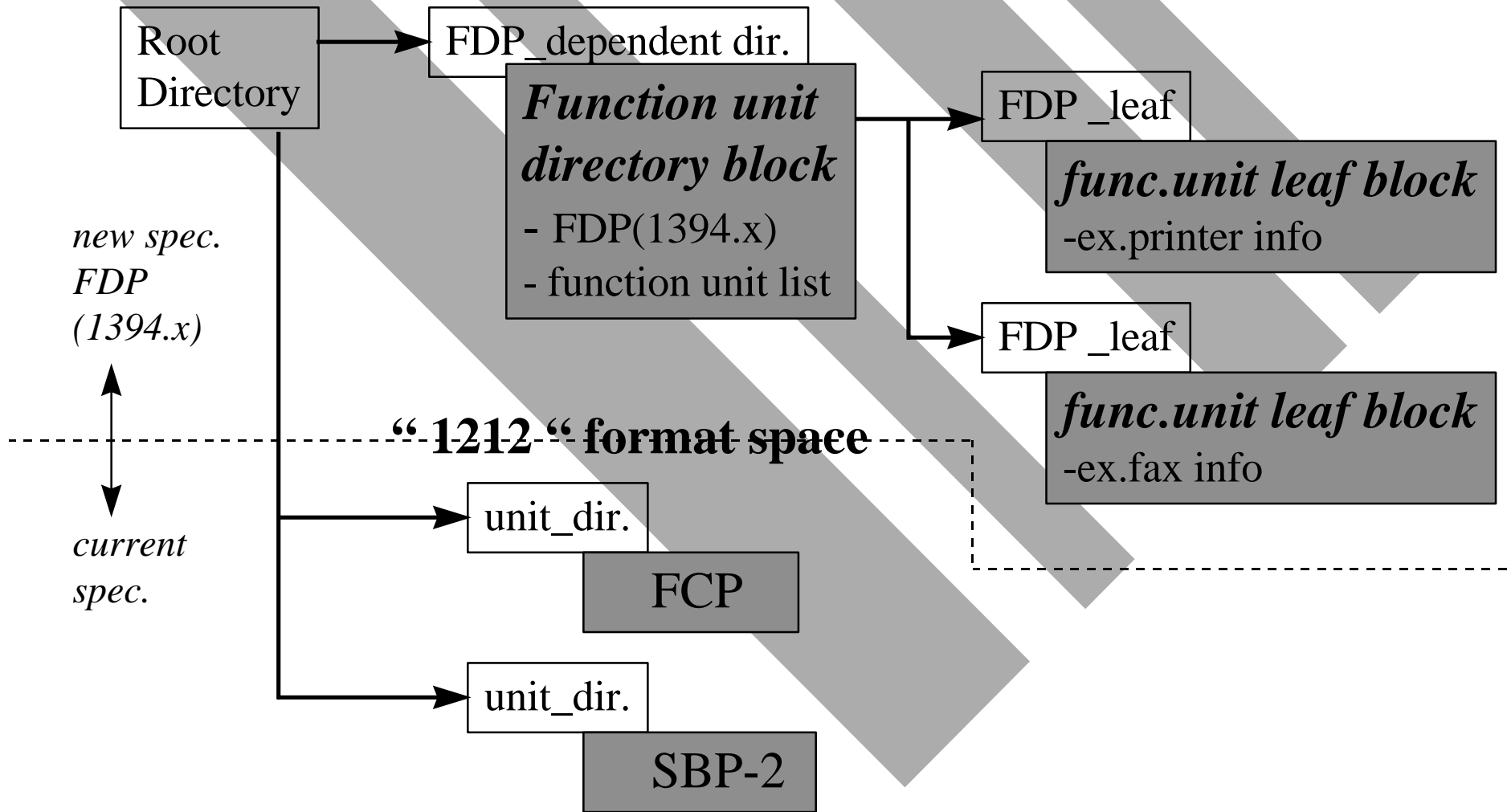
readout of

- 1.supported “datalinks” of unit(function).
- 2.Unit ID string (PnP)
- 3.vendor unique information
- 3.Unit status(...**TBD**)

FDP Architecture



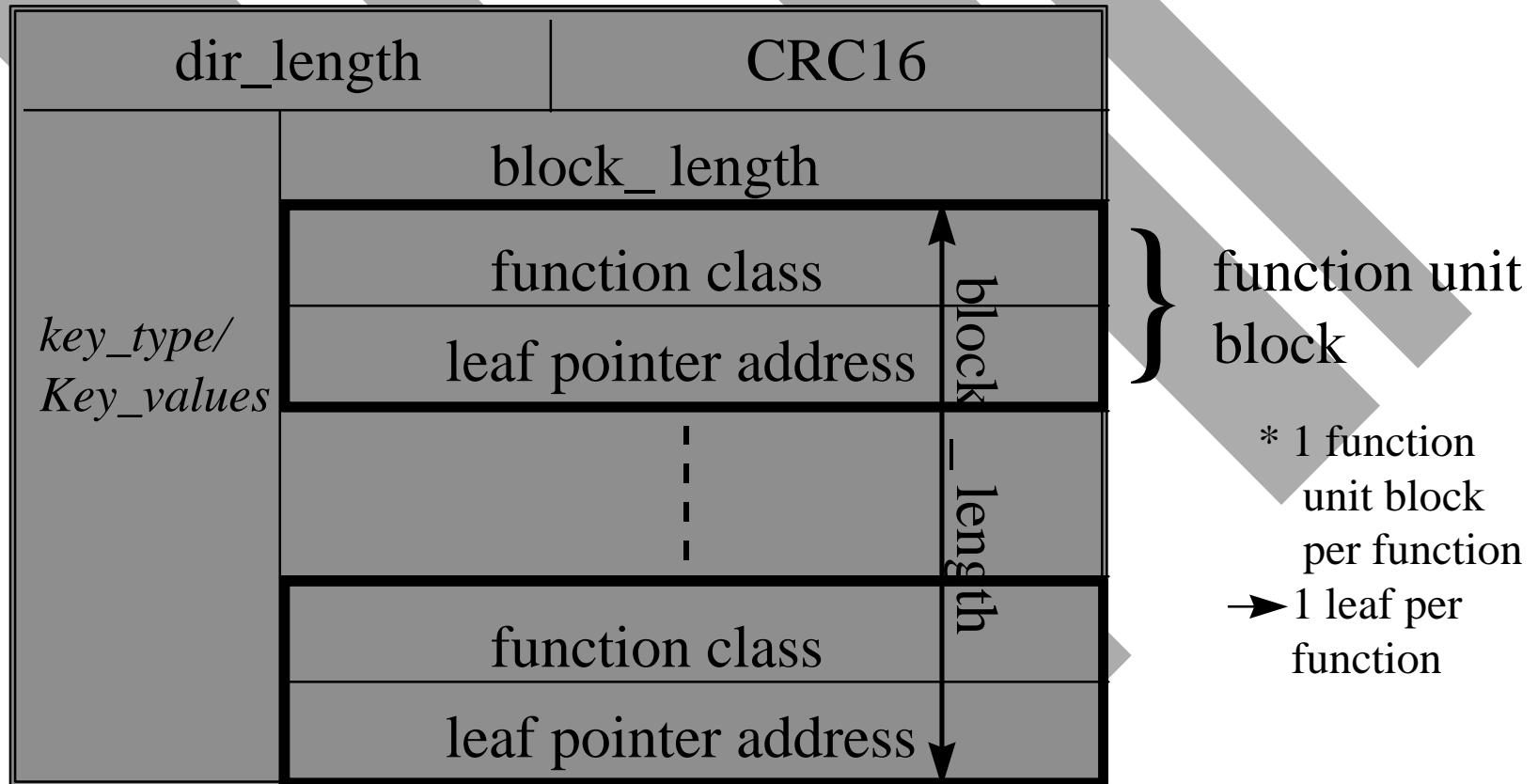
FDP implementation



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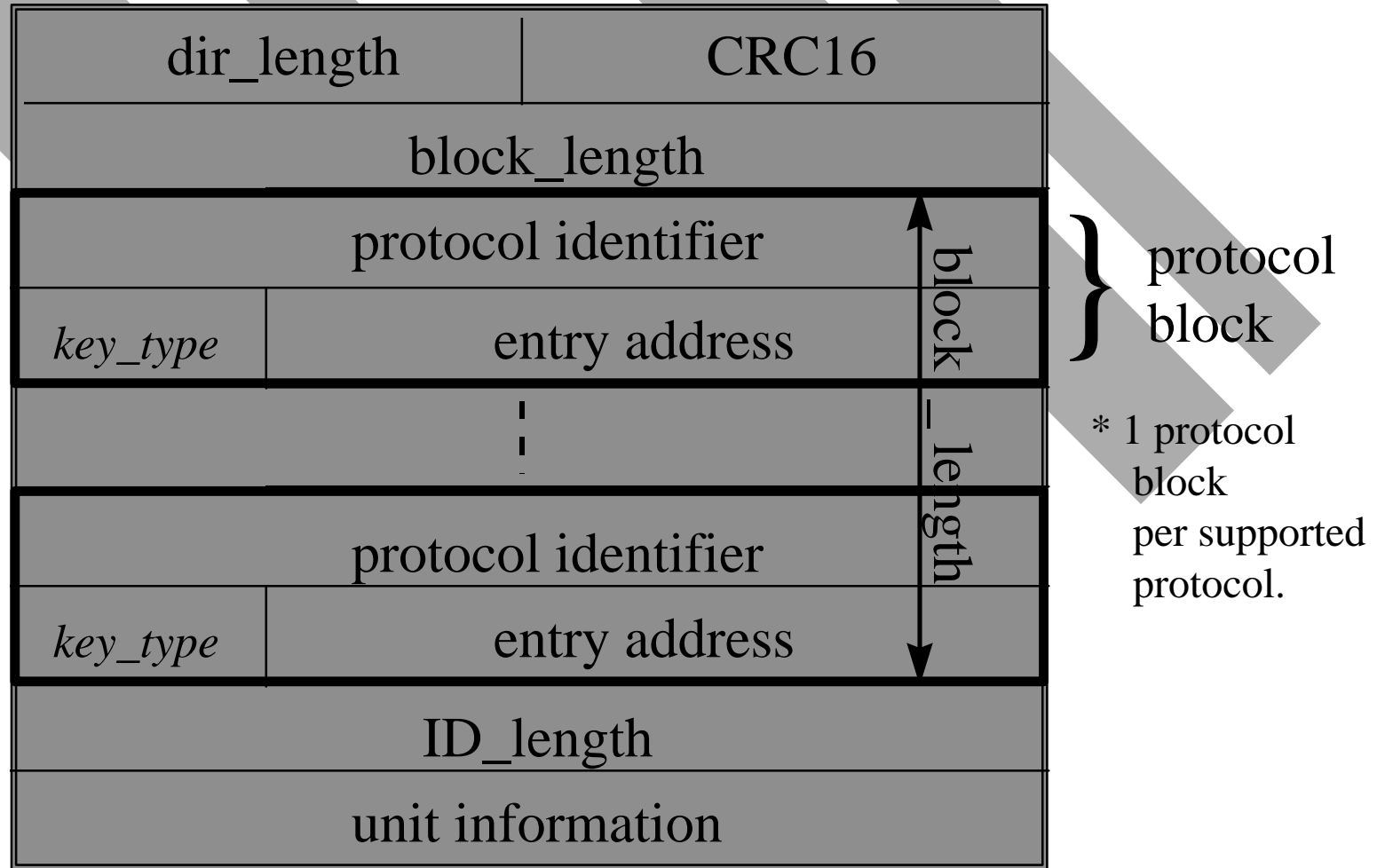
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FDP Function unit directory -basic architecture



** does not include all fields for explanation purposes*

FDP Function unit leaf -basic architecture



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Function Discovery Standard

Issues

- Categorization of function unit “types”
 - Does any suitable (global) registry exist?
 - Do we make the registry extensible?
- Datalink (protocol) Categorization
 - Naming....(Use same name as Unit_spec_id,sw_version?)
 - Support for vendor unique protocols
- (Login-less) Status retrieval...Do we need it ?
 - detailed information?, or minimum(error/ok) info.

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■ Documents at

- <ftp://ftp.tokyoweb.or.jp/pwgc1394/pub/proposals/canon/>
- <http://www.pwg.org/p1394/documents/>