

No IP
Broadcast
WLC C
WLC A
AP wired A

capwap-discovery\_ipv4\_ip-helper.pcapng

DHCP Discover

Transaction ID	0x000013d5
IP	0.0.0.0
Client MAC address	84:b2:61:0e:0c:18
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Hostname	AP84b2.610e.0c18

DHCP Offer

Transaction ID	0x000013d5
IP	10.0.41.99
Client MAC address	84:b2:61:0e:0c:18

DHCP Request

Transaction ID	0x000013d5
IP	0.0.0.0
Client MAC address	84:b2:61:0e:0c:18
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Hostname	AP84b2.610e.0c18

DHCP ACK

Transaction ID	0x000013d5
IP	10.0.41.99
Client MAC address	84:b2:61:0e:0c:18

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Type	A (1) (Host Address)

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Frame 55 | 2017-01-14T12:52:54.323749Z

Frame 58 | 2017-01-14T12:52:57.323418Z

Frame 59 | 2017-01-14T12:52:57.323592Z

Frame 60 | 2017-01-14T12:53:00.323386Z

Frame 61 | 2017-01-14T12:53:00.323561Z

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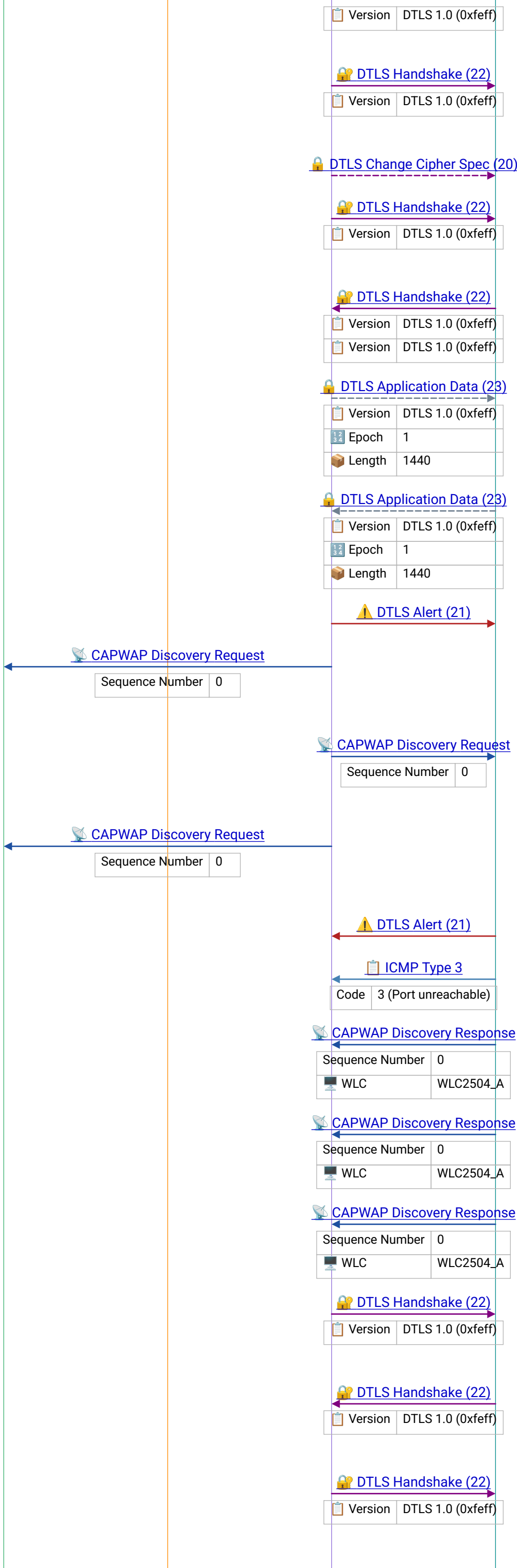
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Frame 65 | 2017-01-14T12:53:06.323575Z

Frame 68 | 2017-01-14T12:53:09.323227Z



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WLC for CAPWAP control/data; uses UDP (not TCP) so it works with CAPWAP's UDP transport

DTLS Handshake – establishes encrypted tunnel between AP and WLC for CAPWAP control/data; uses UDP (not TCP) so it works with CAPWAP's UDP transport

Frame 90 | 2017-01-14T12:53:22.619364Z

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Frame 94 | 2017-01-14T12:53:22.755057Z

Frame 100 | 2017-01-14T12:53:24.462152Z

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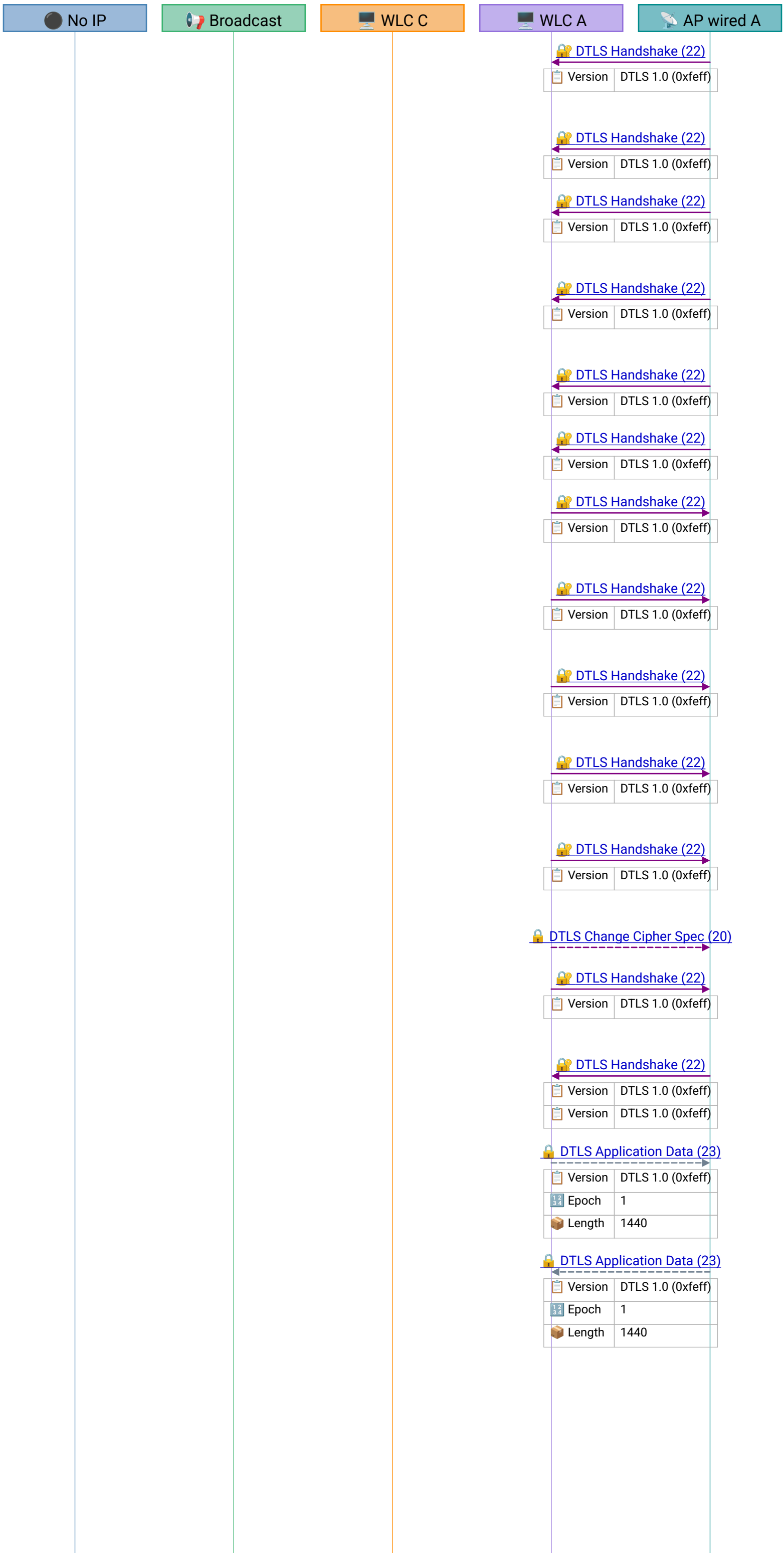
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