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### INTRODUCTION

#### General

The SCSI family of standards provides for many different transport protocols that define the rules for exchanging information between different SCSI devices. This standard defines the rules for exchanging information between SCSI devices using a serial interconnect. Other SCSI transport protocol standards define the rules for exchanging information between SCSI devices using other interconnects.

The following figure shows the organization of the layers of this standard.

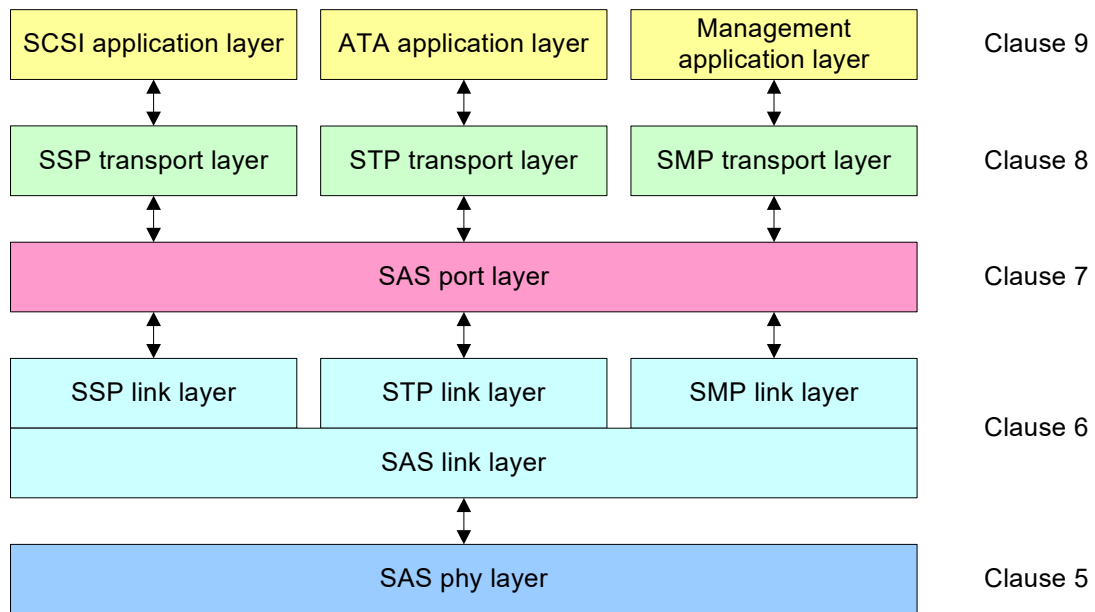
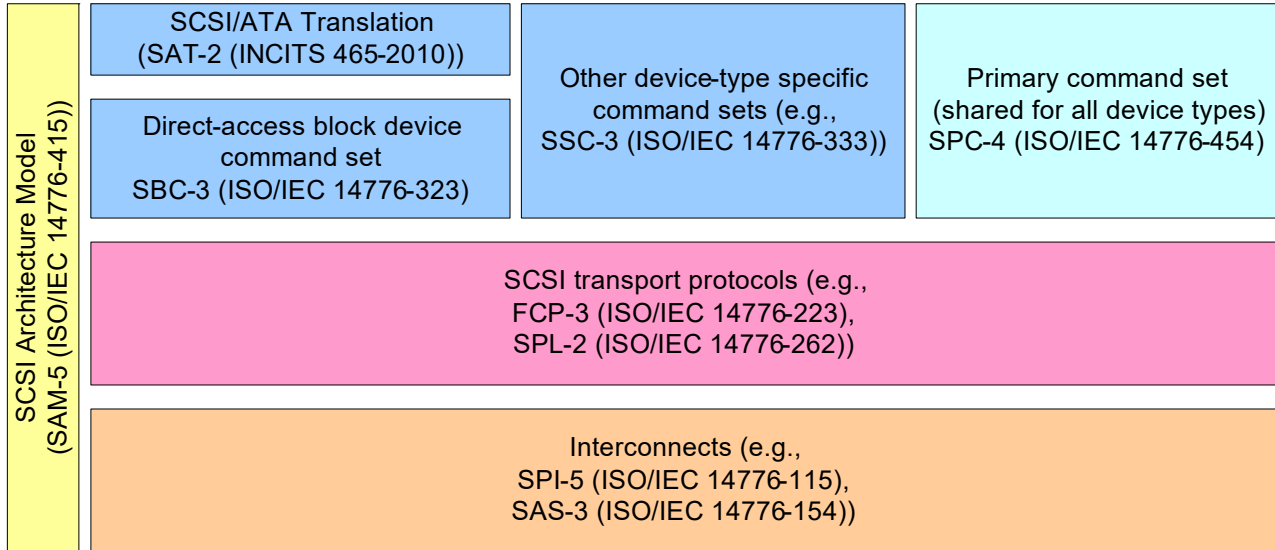


Figure 1 – Organization of this standard

### SCSI standards family

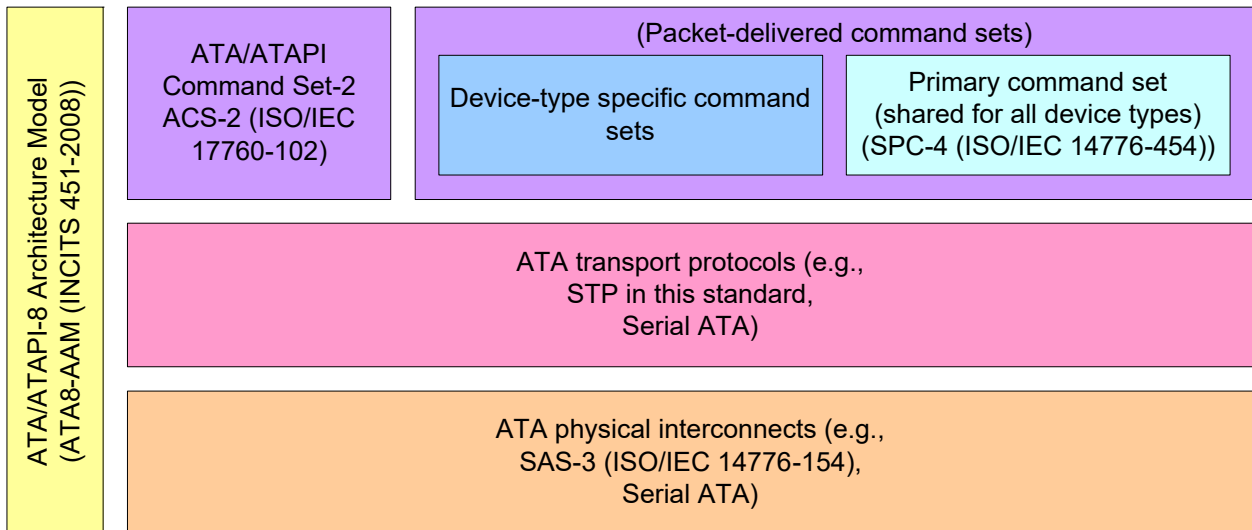
Figure 2 shows the relationship of this standard to the other standards and related projects in the SCSI family of standards.



**Figure 2 – SCSI document relationships**

This standard also defines the rules for exchanging information between ATA hosts and ATA devices using the same serial interconnect. Other ATA transport protocol standards define the rules for exchanging information between ATA hosts and ATA devices using other interconnects.

Figure 3 shows the relationship of this standard to other standards and related projects in the ATA family of standards.



**Figure 3 – ATA document relationships**

Figure 2 and figure 3 show the general relationship of the documents to one another, and do not imply any hierarchy, protocol stack or system architecture relationship.

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## **Part 262: SAS Protocol Layer - 2 (SPL-2)**

### **1 Scope**

This standard defines the protocol layer of the Serial Attached SCSI (SAS) interconnect and three transport protocols that use the SAS interconnect:

- a) Serial SCSI Protocol (SSP): a mapping of SCSI supporting multiple initiators and targets;
- b) Serial ATA Tunneled Protocol (STP): a mapping of Serial ATA expanded to support multiple initiators and targets; and
- c) Serial Management Protocol (SMP): a management protocol.



## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

Additional availability contact information is provided in Annex L.

ISO/IEC 14776-151, *Information technology – Small Computer System Interface (SCSI) – Part 151: Serial Attached SCSI - 1.1 (SAS-1.1)*

ISO/IEC 14776-372, *Information technology – Small Computer System Interface (SCSI) – Part 372: SCSI Enclosure Services - 2 (SES-2)*

ISO/IEC 17760-102, *Information technology – AT Attachment – Part 102: ATA/ATAPI Command Set - 2 (ACS-2)*

INCITS 451-2008, *AT Attachment - 8 ATA/ATAPI Architecture Model (ATA8-AAM)*

INCITS 465-2010, *SCSI/ATA Translation - 2 (SAT-2)*

INCITS 514-2014, *SCSI Block Commands - 3 (SBC-3)*

INCITS 515-2016, *SCSI Architecture Model - 5 (SAM-5)*

INCITS 513-2015, *SCSI Primary Commands - 4 (SPC-4)*

INCITS 519-2014, *Serial Attached SCSI - 3 (SAS-3)*

For information on the current status of the listed documents, or regarding availability, contact the indicated organization.

*Serial AT Attachment Revision 3.1 (SATA)*. 18-July-2011<sup>1</sup>

SFF-8485, *Serial GPIO (SGPIO) Bus*<sup>2</sup>

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