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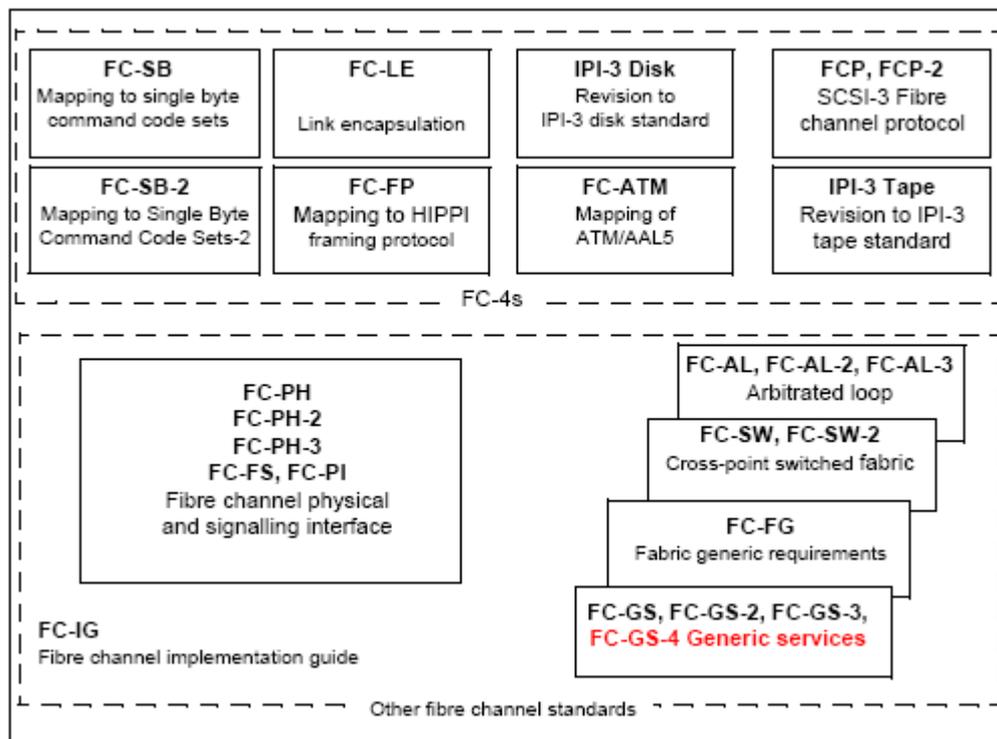
## INTRODUCTION

FC-GS-4 is one of the Fibre Channel family of standards. This family includes FC-FS, which specifies the Framing and Signalling Interface. FC-SW-2 is related to Fabric requirements. FC-AL-2 specifies the arbitrated loop topology.

FC-GS-4 describes in detail the basic Fibre Channel services introduced in FC-FS. In addition, this document describes any ancillary functions and services required to support the Fibre Channel services. Services described include name services, management services, discovery services, time services and alias services.

FC-GS-4 provides generic services that may be utilized by any upper layer protocol that makes use of Fibre Channel as a transport.

Figure 0 shows the relationship of this FC-GS-4 standard (highlighted in red) with other Fibre Channel standards and draft proposed standards.



**Figure 0 – Document relationship**

The information presented in this document is grouped into clauses:

- Clause 1, Scope

- Clause 2, Normative references
- Clause 3, Definitions and conventions
- Clause 4, Common transport for generic services
- Clause 5, Directory service
- Clause 6, Management service
- Clause 7, Alias service
- Clause 8, Key distribution service
- Annex A, Service interface provided by FC-CT
- Annex B, FC-4 Feature bits
- Annex C, Discovery
- Annex D, Example of zone services
- Annex E, Time service
- Annex F, Performance server

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## Part 414: Generic services-4 (FC-GS-4)

### 1 Scope

FC-GS-4 describes in detail the basic Fibre Channel services introduced in FC-FS.

The Fibre Channel services described in this document are

- Directory Service,
- Management Service and
- Alias Service.

In addition to the aforementioned Fibre Channel services, the Common Transport (CT) protocol is described. The Common Transport service provides a common FC-4 for use by the Fibre Channel services.

### 2 Normative references

#### 2.1 Overview

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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.

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