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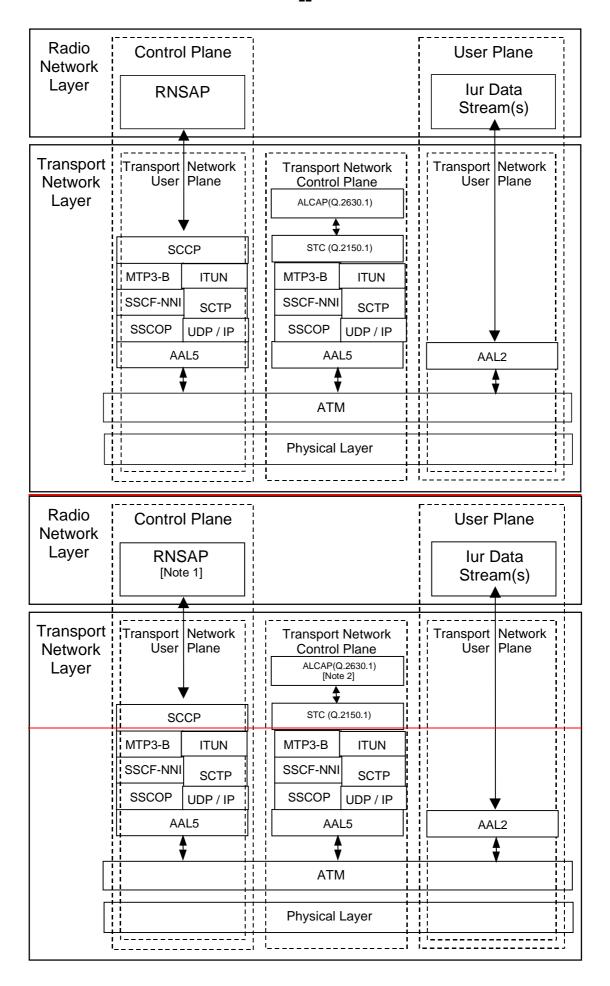


Figure 4: lur Interface Protocol Structure

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### 5.2.1 Macro-diversity combining/Splitting [FDD]

DRNS may perform macro diversity combining/splitting of data streams communicated via its cells. SRNS performs macro diversity combining/splitting of Iur data streams received from/sent to DRNS(s), and data streams communicated via its own cells.

The UL combining of information streams may be performed using any suitable algorithm, for example:

- [FDD based on maximum ratio algorithm (maximum ratio combining)];
- [FDD based on quality information associated to each TBS (selection-combining)];
- [TDD based on the presence/absence of the signal (selection)].

The internal DRNS handling of the macro-diversity combining (respectively splitting) of Iub (respectively Iur) DCH frames is controlled by the DRNS.

### 5.2.2 Control of Macro-diversity Combining/Splitting Topology [FDD]

When requesting the addition of a new cell for a UE-UTRAN connection, the RNC of the SRNS (i.e. the SRNC) can explicitly request to the RNC of the DRNS (i.e. the DRNC) a new Iur data stream, in which case the macro diversity combining and splitting function within the DRNS is not used for that cell. Otherwise, the DRNS takes the decision whether macro diversity combining and splitting function is used inside the DRNS for that cell i.e. whether a new Iur data stream shall be added or not.

### 7.3.2 Iur DCH Data Port

One Iur DCH Data port represents one user plane transport bearer. One user plane transport bearer will carry only one DCH data stream except in the case of co-ordinated DCHs, in which case the data streams of all co-ordinated DCHs shall be multiplexed on one and the same user plane transport bearer.

The semantics of an Iur DCH Data Port include the following:

- It is created and destroyed by administrative procedures when transport facilities are added to, or deleted from, the Iur interface between the SRNS and DRNS. It can also be created and destroyed dynamically using dynamically setup transport bearers to add or remove transport facilities.
- It is assigned and released by the SRNC in reaction to requests for bearer services from the UE.
- It may be attached to one or more Radio Links. When attached to Radio Links in the downlink direction, it acts as a point-to-multipoint connection for diversity transmission. When attached to multiple Radio Links in the uplink direction, it acts as a multipoint-to-point connection for diversity reception [FDD].
- The transmit and receive <u>combining/splitting diversity</u> resources required to implement the point-to-multipoint and multipoint-to-point connections are controlled by the DRNS [FDD].
- The Iur DCH Data Stream emanating from the Iur DCH Data Port terminates in the SRNS connected to DRNS.

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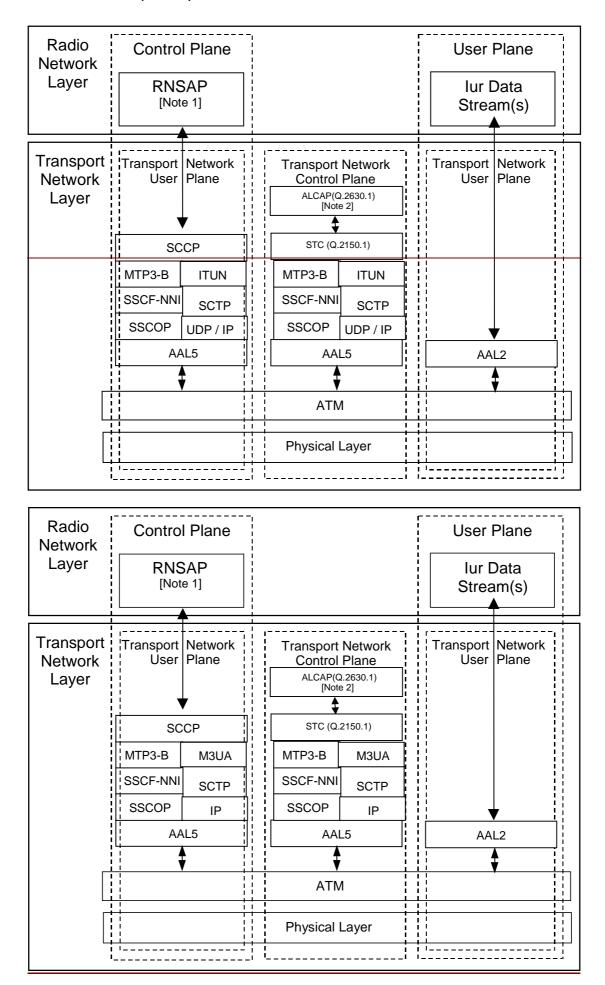
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Figure 4: Iur Interface Protocol Structure

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### 4.5.1.3 Establishment procedure initiated from the SRNC

The SCCP signalling connection establishment is initiated, by the SRNC, when the SRNC needs to request dedicated resources, i.e. a DCH, from a DRNC.

### **Initiation**

- The SRNC sends the <u>SCCP: CRRADIO LINK SETUP REQUEST</u> message to the DRNC. The RADIO LINK SETUP REQUEST message <u>may be is-</u>included in the user data field of an SCCP Connection Request message.

#### **Termination**

#### 1. Successful outcome

 The SCCP Connection Confirm message, which may optionally contain a connection oriented RNSAP message in the user data field, is returned to the SRNC.

#### 2. Unsuccessful outcome

- If the SCCP signalling connection establishment fails, an SCCP Connection Refusal message will be sent back to the SRNC. This message may optionally contain a connection oriented RNSAP message.

For more information on how the RNSAP procedure Radio Link Setup is handled, please see the procedure Radio Link Setup in TS 25.423.

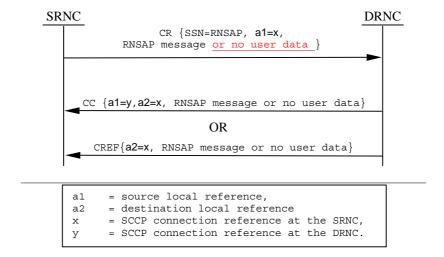


Figure 1: Setting-up of SCCP Signalling Connection

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### 3.2 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the following abbreviations apply:

AAL2 ATM Adaptation Layer type 2
AAL5 ATM Adaptation Layer type 5
ALCAP Access Link Control Application Part

ATM Asynchronous Transfer Mode

CRNC Controlling RNC

CTP Common Transport Protocol
DCH Dedicated Transport Channel
DSCH Downlink Shared Channel

DL Down-link

DRNC Drift Radio Network Controller
DRNS Drift Radio Network Subsystem
FACH Forward Access Channel

GT Global Title
IP Internet Protocol

MAC Medium Access Control

MTP3-B Message Transfer Part level 3 (for Q.2140)

PLMN Public Land Mobile Network

QoS Quality of Service
RACH Random Access Channel
RF Radio Frequency

RNC Radio Network Controller RNS Radio Network Subsystem

RNSAP Radio Network Subsystem Application Part

RRC Radio Resource Control

SCCP Signalling Connection Control Part

SPC Signalling Point Code

SRNC Serving Radio Network Controller SRNS Serving Radio Network Subsystem

SS7 Signalling System N° 7

SSCF-NNI Service Specific Co-ordination Function – Network Node Interface

SSCOP Service Specific Connection Oriented Protocol

SSN Sub-System Number

STC Signalling Transport Converter

UE User Equipment

UL Up-link

UMTS Universal Mobile Telecommunication System

URA UTRAN Registration Area
USCH Uplink Shared Channel

UTRAN UMTS Terrestrial Radio Access Network

# 4.4 Iur Interface Capabilities

The information transferred over the Iur reference point can be categorised as follows:

- Radio application related signalling

The Iur interface provides capability to support radio interface mobility between RNSs, of UEs having a connection with UTRAN. This capability includes the support of handover, radio resource handling and synchronisation between RNSs.

- Iub/Iur DCH data streams

The Iur interface provides the means for transport of uplink and downlink Iub/Iur DCH frames carrying user data and control information between SRNC and Node B (DRNS), via the DRNC.

- <u>Iur DSCH data streams</u>

An Iur DSCH data stream corresponds to the data carried on one DSCH transport channel for one UE. A UE may have multiple Iur DSCH data streams.

The Iur interface provides a means of transporting up link and down link MAC-c/sh SDUs. In addition, the interface provides a means to the SRNC for queue reporting and a means for the DRNC to allocate capacity to the SRNC.

- [TDD Iur USCH data streams]

An Iur USCH data stream corresponds to the data carried on one USCH transport channel for one UE. A UE may have multiple Iur USCH data streams.

- Iur RACH data streams
- Iur FACH data streams

# 5.1 Functional List

The list of functions on the Iur interface is the following:

- 1. Transport Network Management
- 2. Traffic management of Common Transport Channels
  - Preparation of Common Transport Channel resources
  - Paging
- 3. Traffic Management of Dedicated Transport Channels
  - Radio Link Setup/ Addition/ Deletion
  - Measurement Reporting
- 4. Traffic Management of Downlink Shared Transport Channels and [TDD Uplink Shared Transport Channels]
  - Radio Link Setup/ Addition/ Deletion
  - Capacity Allocation
- 5. Measurement reporting for common and dedicated measurement objects.

# 6 I<sub>ur</sub> Interface Protocols

### 6.1 General

There shall exist a clear separation between the Radio Network Layer and the Transport Layer. Therefore, the radio network signalling and Iur data streams are separated from the data transport resource and traffic handling as shown in Figure 2. Data transport resource and traffic handling is controlled by Transport Signalling. The Transport Signalling is carried by a Signalling Bearer over the Iur interface.

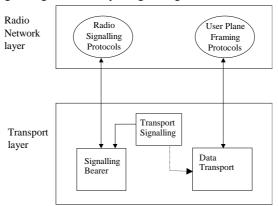


Figure 2: Separation of Radio Network Protocols and transport over lur

# 6.2 Radio Signalling Protocols

### 6.2.1 RNSAP Protocol

The protocol responsible for providing signalling information across the Iur interface is called the Radio Network Subsystem Application Part (RNSAP).

The RNSAP is terminated by the two RNCs inter-connected via the Iur interface RNSAP Procedure Modules

RNSAP procedures are divided into four modules as follows:

- 1. RNSAP Basic Mobility Procedures
- 2. RNSAP DCH Procedures
- 3. RNSAP Common Transport Channel Procedures
- 4. RNSAP Global Procedures

The Basic Mobility Procedures module contains procedures used to handle the mobility within UTRAN. The DCH Procedures module contains procedures that are used to handle DCHs, DSCH and [TDD USCHs] between two RNSs. If procedures from this module are not used in a specific Iur, then the usage of DCH, DSCH and [TDD USCH] traffic between corresponding RNSs is not possible.

The Common Transport Channel Procedures module contains procedures that are used to control common transport channel data streams over Iur interface.

The Global Procedures module contains procedures that are not related to a specific UE. The procedures in this module are in contrast to the above modules involving two peer CRNCs.

### 6.3 User Plane Frame Protocols

#### 6.3.1 lub/lur DCH Frame Protocol

There are two types of Iub/Iur DCH FP frames:

- DCH data frame
- DCH control frame

The contents of the Iub/Iur DCH data frame include:

- Transport Block Sets
- Quality estimate

The contents of the Iur DCH control frame include:

- Measurement reports
- Power control information
- Synchronisation information

For a more detailed description of the Iur/Iub DCH frame protocol refer to 'UTRAN Iur & Iub Interface User Plane Protocol for DCH Data Streams' [1].

#### 6.3.2 Iur DSCH Frame Protocol

There are two types of Iur DSCH FP frames:

- DSCH data frame
- DSCH control frames

The contents of the Iur DSCH data frame include:

- MAC-c/sh SDUs
- User Buffer Status

The contents of the Iur DSCH control frame include:

- Flow control Information (UL)
- Capacity Request Information (DL)

For a more detailed description of the Iur DSCH frame protocol refer to 'UTRAN Iur Interface User Plane protocols for Common Transport Channel Data Streams' [2].

### 6.3.3 [TDD - Iur USCH Frame Protocol]

There is one type of Iur USCH FP frames:

- USCH data frame

The contents of the Iur USCH data frame include:

MAC-c/sh SDUs

For a more detailed description of the Iur USCH frame protocol refer to 'UTRAN Iur Interface User Plane protocols for Common Transport Channel Data Streams' [2].

### 6.3.42 Iur RACH Frame Protocol

For a more detailed description of the Iur RACH framing protocol refer to 'UTRAN Iur Interface User Plane protocols for Common Transport Channel Data Streams' [2].

#### 6.3.53 Iur FACH Frame Protocol

For a more detailed description of the Iur FACH framing protocol refer to 'UTRAN Iur Interface User Plane protocols for Common Transport Channel Data Streams' [2].

### 6.4 Mapping of Frame Protocols onto transport bearers

**DCH** One Iur DCH data stream is carried on one transport bearer except in the case of coordinated DCHs in which case a set of co-ordinated DCHs are multiplexed onto the same transport bearer.

**DSCH** One Iur DSCH data stream is carried on one transport bearer

[TDD USCH One Iur USCH data stream is carried on one transport bearer.]

**RACH** Multiple RACH data streams may be carried on one transport bearer.

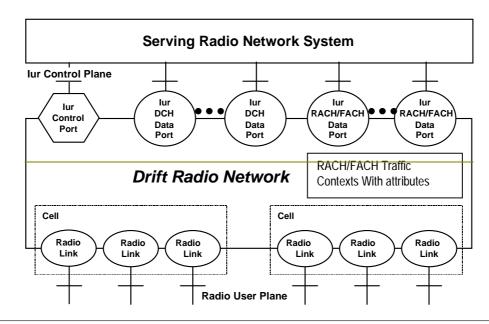
**FACH** Multiple FACH data streams may be carried on one transport bearer.

RACH and FACH data streams for one UE are carried on same transport bearer.

# 7 DRNS logical Model over l<sub>ur</sub>

### 7.1 Overview

The model in Figure 3. shows the Drift Radio Network System as seen from the SRNC. It is modelled as a «black box» with a set of Radio Links on the Uu side of the box and another set of User Plane access ports on the Iur side of the box. The Radio Links are connected to the Iur user ports via the internal transport mechanisms of the DRNS. Operations for controlling the connections between ports are sent from the SRNC to the DRNC via an Iur Control Plane port.



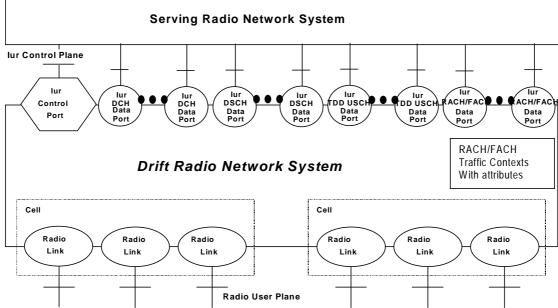


Figure 3: Drift RNS Logical Model

# 7.2 Logical Model Elements

### 7.2.1 Radio Link

A Radio Link represents a User Plane access point on the UTRAN side of the Uu interface between the User Equipment and the UTRAN.

The semantics of a Radio Link include the following:

- It is created, destroyed,- and added by SRNC.
- It can be attached to one or more Iur Data Ports at any given time.

- Its resources are allocated and controlled by the DRNS.

#### 7.2.2 Cell

It is defined by:

- A Cell identifier.

The semantics of a Cell include the following:

- It is created and destroyed by administrative procedures.

### 7.2.3 Iur DCH Data Port

One Iur DCH Data port represents one user plane transport bearer. One user plane transport bearer will carry only one DCH data stream except in the case of co-ordinated DCHs, in which case the data streams of all co-ordinated DCHs shall be multiplexed on one and the same user plane transport bearer.

The semantics of an Iur DCH Data Port include the following:

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- The transmit and receive diversity resources required to implement the point-to-multipoint and multipoint-to-point connections are controlled by the DRNS [FDD].
- The Iur DCH Data Stream emanating from the Iur DCH Data Port terminates in the SRNS connected to DRNS.

### 7.2.4 Iur DSCH Data Port

One Iur DSCH Data port represents one bi-directional Iur user plane transport bearer. One Iur user plane transport bearer will carry only one DSCH data stream

### 7.2.5 [TDD lur USCH Data Port]

One Iur USCH Data port represents one Iur user plane transport bearer. One Iur user plane transport bearer will carry only one USCH data stream

### 7.2.6 Iur RACH/FACH Data Port

The Iur RACH/FACH data port represents a transport bearer and is identified with a transport bearer identity.

#### 7.2.7 Iur Control Port

An Iur Control Port represents the Control Plane access point on the Iur interface between the SRNS and the DRNS. It is defined by:

- A transport bearer channel identifier.

The semantics of an Iur Control Port include the following:
- It is created via administrative procedures when the Iur interface is created.

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### 3.2 Abbreviations

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AAL5 ATM Adaptation Layer type 5
ALCAP Access Link Control Application Part

ATM Asynchronous Transfer Mode CPCH Common Packet Channel

CRNC Controlling RNC

CTP Common Transport Protocol DCH Dedicated Transport Channel

DL Down-link

DRNC Drift Radio Network Controller
DRNS Drift Radio Network Subsystem

FACH Forward Access Channel

GT Global Title
IP Internet Protocol
MAC Medium Access Control

MTP3-B Message Transfer Part level 3 (for Q.2140)

PLMN Public Land Mobile Network

QoS Quality of Service
RACH Random Access Channel
RF Radio Frequency

RNC Radio Network Controller
RNS Radio Network Subsystem

RNSAP Radio Network Subsystem Application Part

RRC Radio Resource Control

SCCP Signalling Connection Control Part

SPC Signalling Point Code

SRNC Serving Radio Network Controller SRNS Serving Radio Network Subsystem

SS7 Signalling System No 7

SSCF-NNI Service Specific Co-ordination Function – Network Node Interface

SSCOP Service Specific Connection Oriented Protocol

SSN Sub-System Number

STC Signalling Transport Converter

UE User Equipment

UL Up-link

UMTS Universal Mobile Telecommunication System

URA UTRAN Registration Area

UTRAN UMTS Terrestrial Radio Access Network

# 4.4 Iur Interface Capabilities

The information transferred over the Iur reference point can be categorised as follows:

- Radio application related signalling

The Iur interface provides capability to support radio interface mobility between RNSs, of UEs having a connection with UTRAN. This capability includes the support of handover, radio resource handling and synchronisation between RNSs.

- Iub/Iur DCH data streams

The Iur interface provides the means for transport of uplink and downlink Iub/Iur DCH frames carrying user data and control information between SRNC and Node B (DRNS), via the DRNC.

- Iur RACH/CPCH[FDD] data streams

- Iur FACH data streams

- Iur CPCH data streams

### 6.3 User Plane Frame Protocols

### 6.3.1 lub/lur DCH Frame Protocol

There are two types of Iub/Iur DCH FP frames:

- DCH data frame
- DCH control frame

The contents of the Iub/Iur DCH data frame include:

- Transport Block Sets
- Quality estimate

The contents of the Iur DCH control frame include:

- Measurement reports
- Power control information
- Synchronisation information

For a more detailed description of the Iur/Iub DCH frame protocol refer to 'UTRAN Iur & Iub Interface User Plane Protocol for DCH Data Streams' [1].

# 6.3.2 Iur RACH/CPCH[FDD] Frame Protocol

For a more detailed description of the Iur RACH framing protocol refer to 'UTRAN Iur Interface User Plane protocols for Common Transport Channel Data Streams' [2].

### 6.3.3 Iur FACH Frame Protocol

For a more detailed description of the Iur FACH framing protocol refer to 'UTRAN Iur Interface User Plane protocols for Common Transport Channel Data Streams' [2].

### Iur CPCH (FDD) Frame Protocol

For a more detailed description of the Iur CPCH [FDD] framing protocol refer to 'UTRAN Iur Interface User Plane Protocols for Common Transport Channel Data Streams' [2].

# 6.4 Mapping of Frame Protocols onto transport bearers

**DCH** 

One Iur DCH data stream is carried on one transport bearer except in the case of co-ordinated DCHs in which case a set of co-ordinated DCHs are multiplexed onto the same transport bearer.

**RACH/CPCH[FDD]** Multiple RACH/CPCH[FDD] data streams may be carried on one transport bearer.

FDD CPCH Multiple CPCH [FDD] data streams may be carried on one transport bearer.

**FACH** Multiple FACH data streams may be carried on one transport bearer.

RACH/CPCH[FDD] and FACH data streams for one UE are carried on same transport bearer.

# 7 DRNS logical Model over I<sub>ur</sub>

### 7.1 Overview

The model in Figure 3. shows the Drift Radio Network System as seen from the SRNC. It is modelled as a «black box» with a set of Radio Links on the Uu side of the box and another set of User Plane access ports on the Iur side of the box. The Radio Links are connected to the Iur user ports via the internal transport mechanisms of the DRNS. Operations for controlling the connections between ports are sent from the SRNC to the DRNC via an Iur Control Plane port.

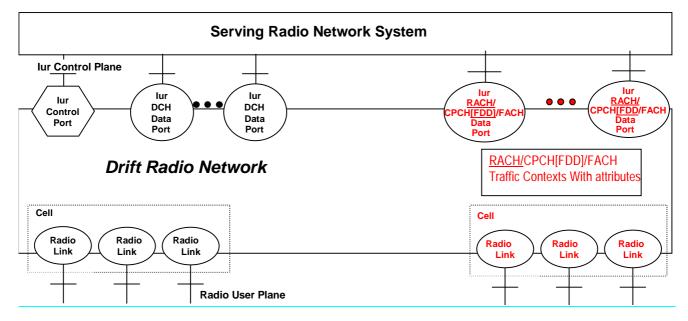


Figure 3: Drift RNS Logical Model

# 7.2 Logical Model Elements

### 7.2.1 Radio Link

A Radio Link represents a User Plane access point on the UTRAN side of the Uu interface between the User Equipment and the UTRAN.

The semantics of a Radio Link include the following:

- It is created, destroyed, and added by SRNC.
- It can be attached to one or more Iur Data Ports at any given time.
- Its resources are allocated and controlled by the DRNS.

### 7.2.2 Cell

It is defined by:

- A Cell identifier.

The semantics of a Cell include the following:

- It is created and destroyed by administrative procedures.

### 7.3.2 Iur DCH Data Port

One Iur DCH Data port represents one user plane transport bearer. One user plane transport bearer will carry only one DCH data stream except in the case of co-ordinated DCHs, in which case the data streams of all co-ordinated DCHs shall be multiplexed on one and the same user plane transport bearer.

The semantics of an Iur DCH Data Port include the following:

- It is created and destroyed by administrative procedures when transport facilities are added to, or deleted from, the Iur interface between the SRNS and DRNS. It can also be created and destroyed dynamically using dynamically setup transport bearers to add or remove transport facilities.
- It is assigned and released by the SRNC in reaction to requests for bearer services from the UE.
- It may be attached to one or more Radio Links. When attached to Radio Links in the downlink direction, it acts as a point-to-multipoint connection for diversity transmission. When attached to multiple Radio Links in the uplink direction, it acts as a multipoint-to-point connection for diversity reception [FDD].
- The transmit and receive diversity resources required to implement the point-to-multipoint and multipoint-to-point connections are controlled by the DRNS [FDD].
- The Iur DCH Data Stream emanating from the Iur DCH Data Port terminates in the SRNS connected to DRNS.

# 7.2.4 Iur RACH/CPCH[FDD]/FACH Data Port

The Iur RACH/<u>CPCH[FDD]</u>/FACH data port represents a transport bearer and is identified with a transport bearer identity.

### **<u>lur CPCH[FDD]/FACH Data Port</u>**

The Iur CPCH[FDD]/FACH data port represents a transport bearer and is identified with a transport bearer identity.

### 7.2.565 Iur Control Port

An Iur Control Port represents the Control Plane access point on the Iur interface between the SRNS and the DRNS. It is defined by:

- A transport bearer channel identifier.

The semantics of an Iur Control Port include the following:

- It is created via administrative procedures when the Iur interface is created.