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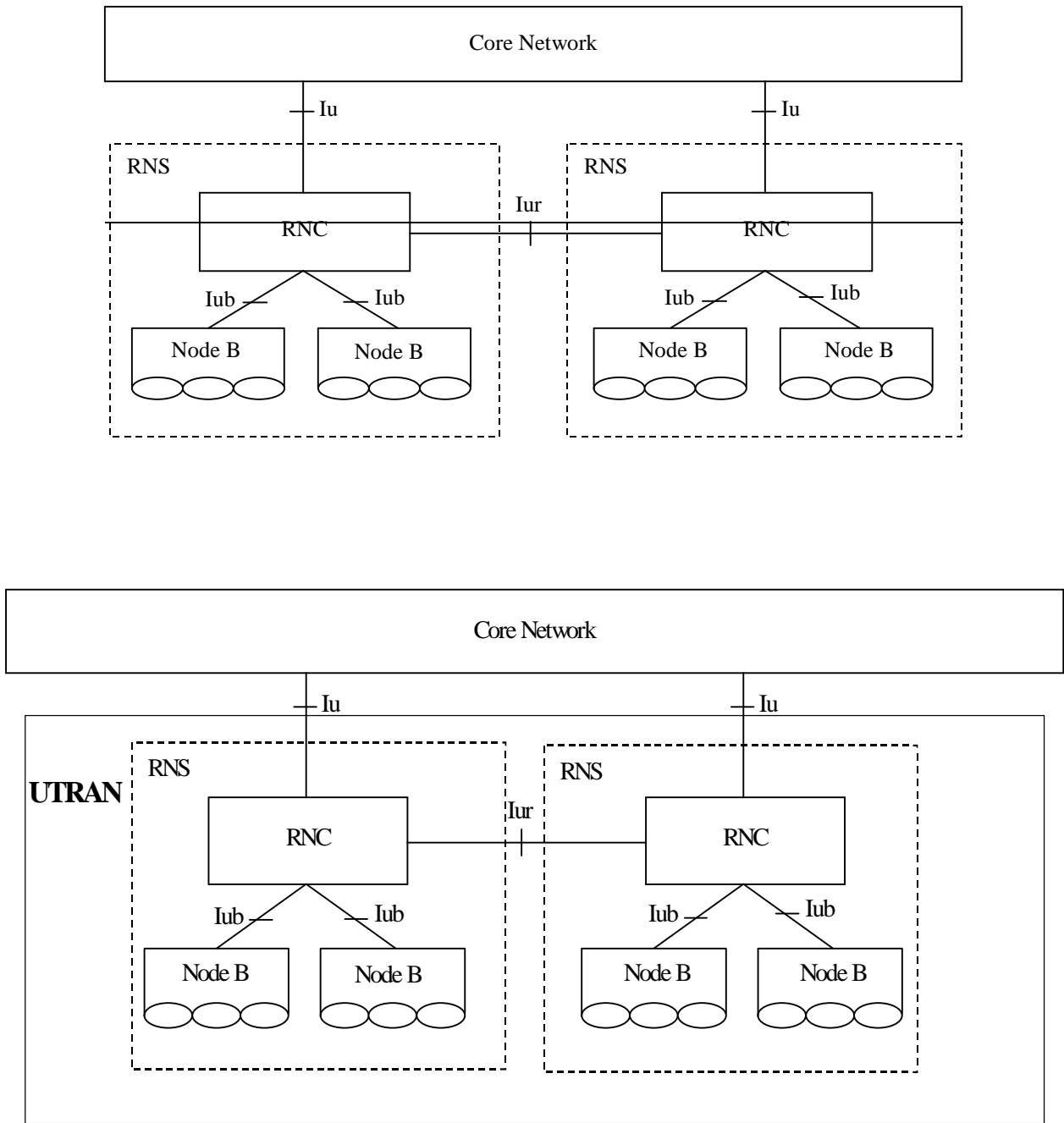


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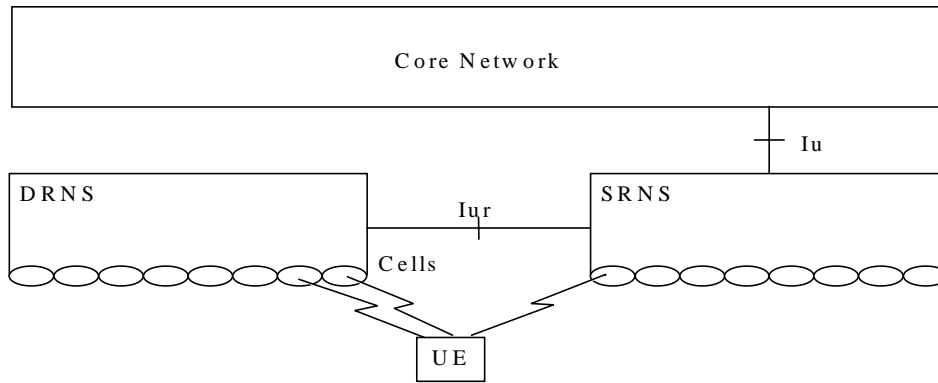


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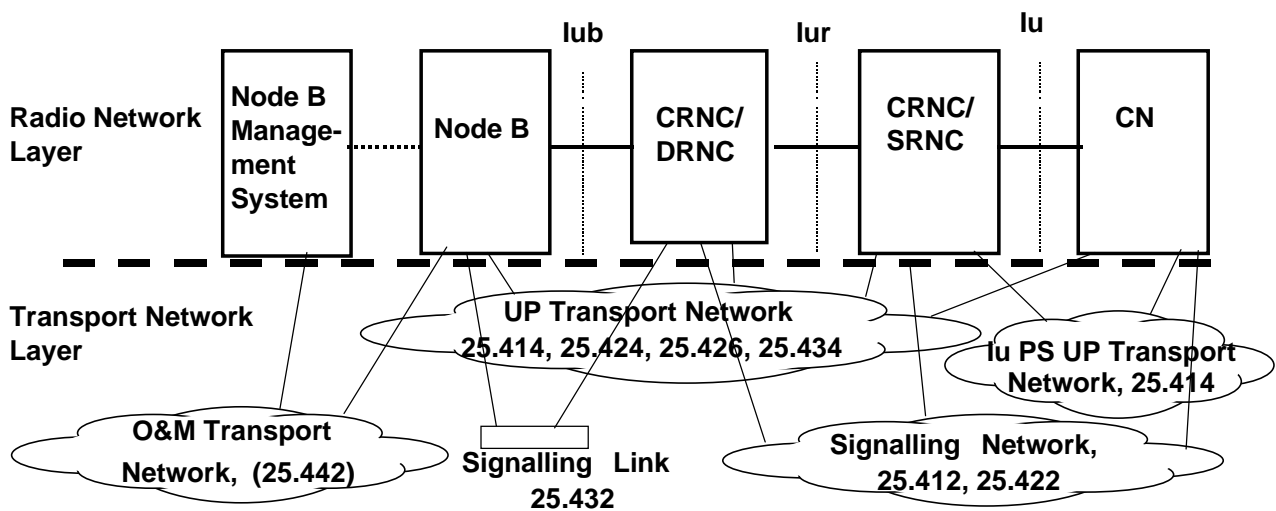


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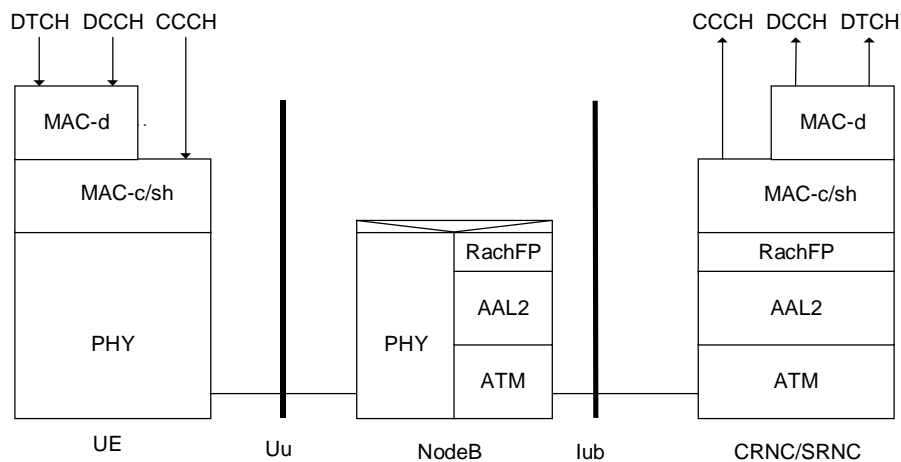


Figure 11: RACH: Coincident Controlling and Serving RNC

The Common MAC (MAC-c/sh) entity in the UE transfers MAC-c/sh PDU to the peer MAC-c/sh entity in the RNC using the services of the Physical Layer.

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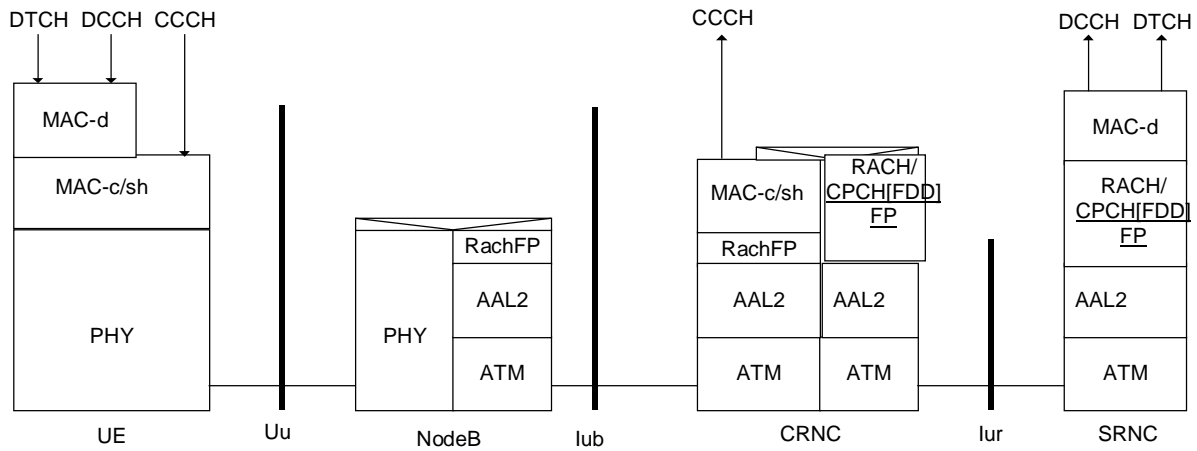


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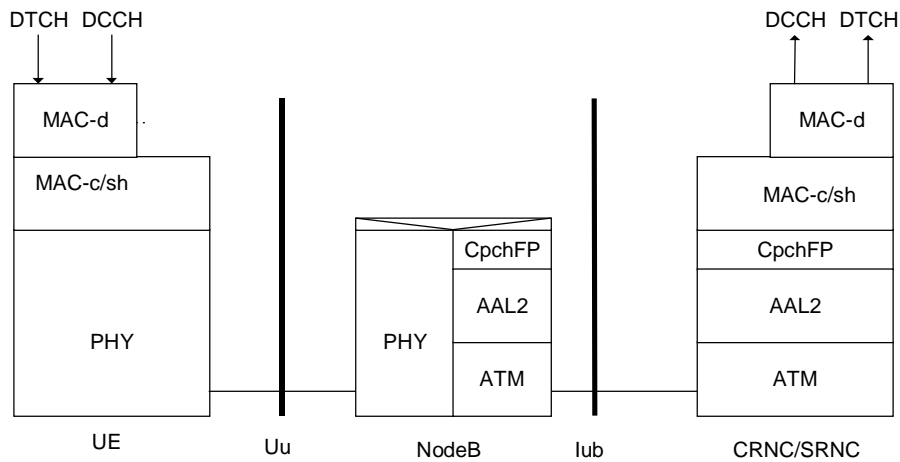


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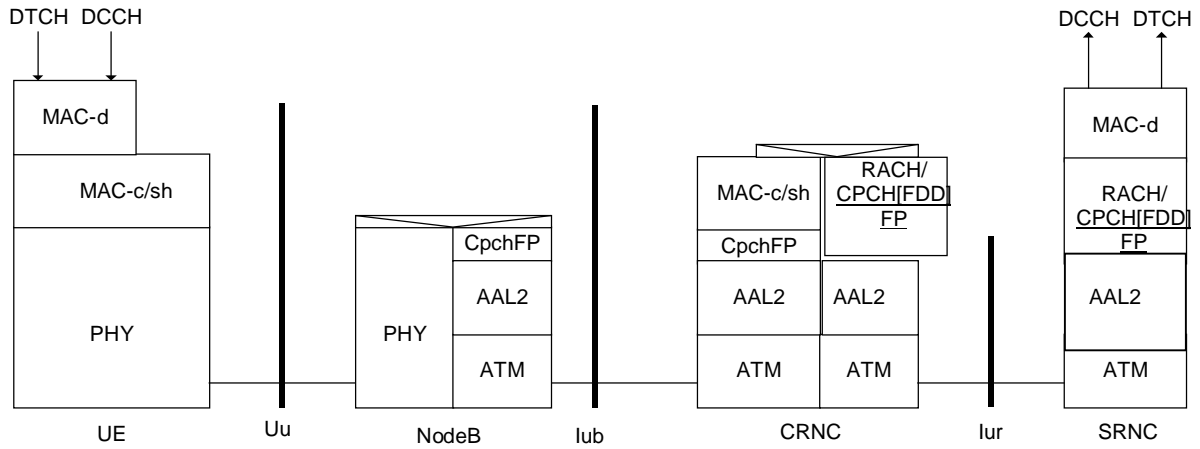


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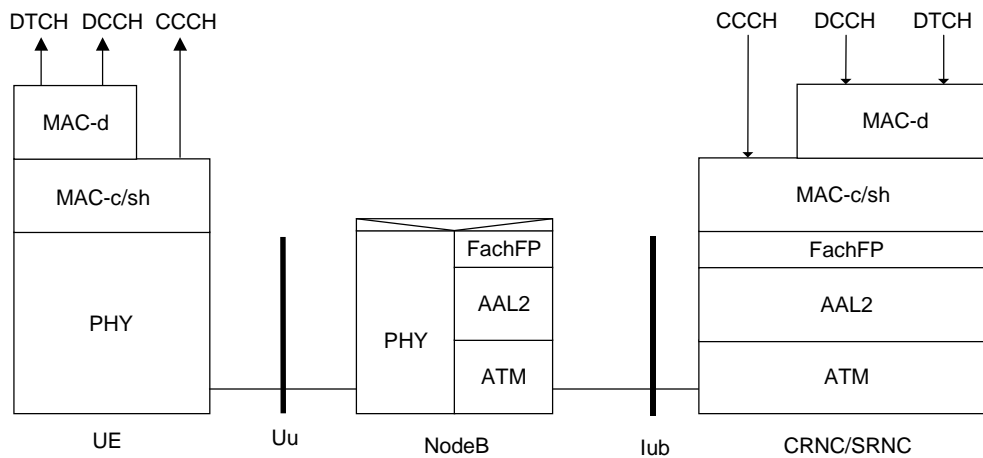


Figure 15: FACH Co-incident Controlling and Serving RNC

The Common MAC (MAC-c/sh) entity in the RNC transfers MAC-c PDU to the peer MAC-c entity in the UE using the services of the FACH Frame Protocol (FACH FP) entity.

The FACH Frame Protocol entity adds header information to form a FACH FP PDU which is transported to the Node B over an AAL2 (or AAL5) connection.

An Interworking Function (IWF) in the Node B interworks the FACH frame received by FACH Frame Protocol (FACH FP) entity into the PHY entity.

FACH scheduling is performed by MAC-c/sh in the CRNC.

Figure 16 shows the protocol model for the FACH transport channel with separate Controlling and Serving RNC. In this case, Iur FACH Frame Protocol is used to interwork the Common MAC (MAC-c) at the Controlling RNC with the Dedicated MAC (MAC-d) at the Serving RNC.

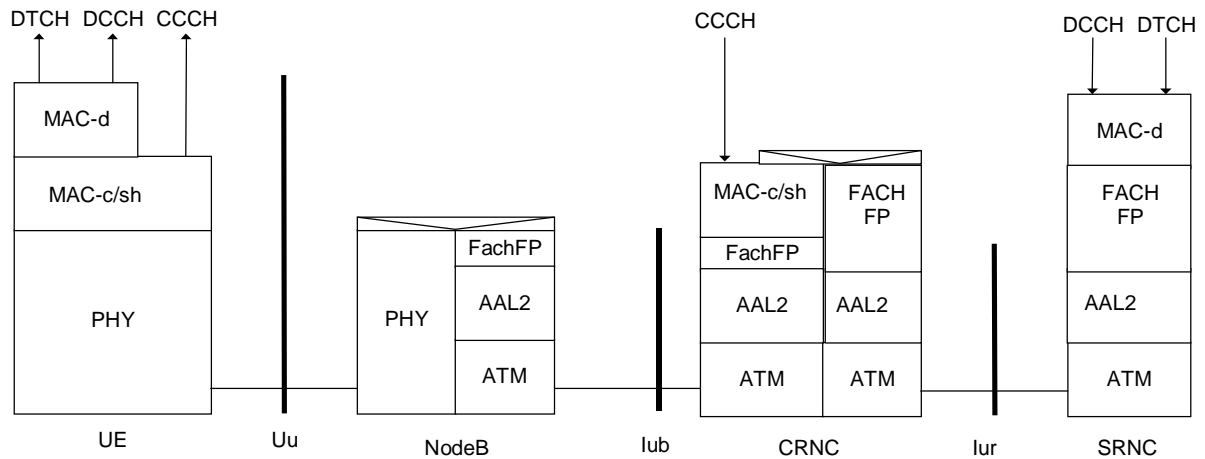


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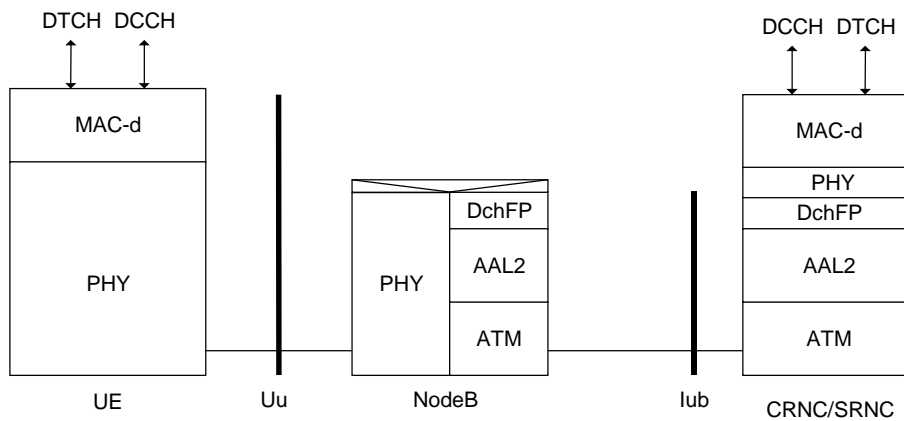


Figure 17: DCH: Co-incident Controlling and Serving RNC

The DCH transport channel introduces the concept of distributed PHY layer.

An Interworking Function (IWF) in the Node B interworks between the DCH Frame Protocol (DCH FP) entity and the PHY entity.

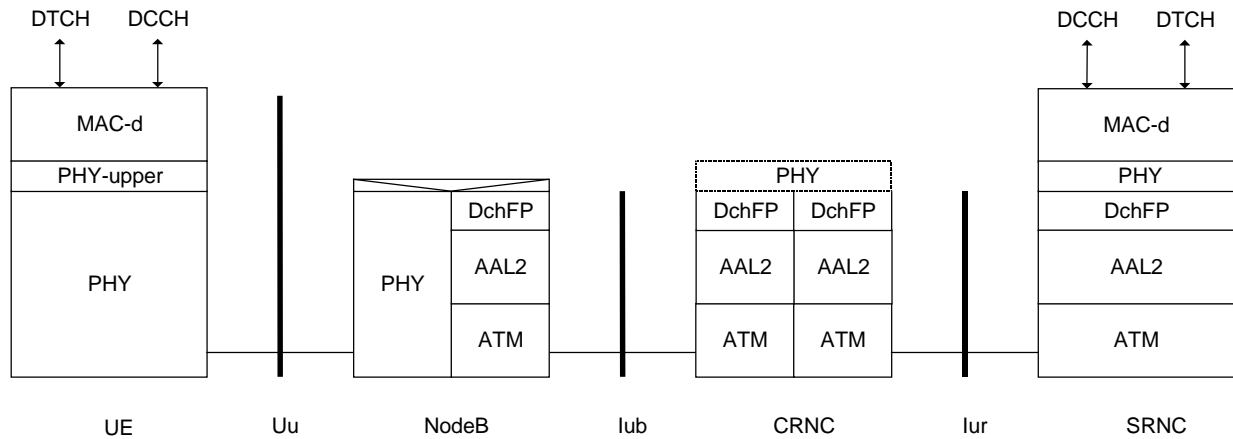


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Figure 18 shows the protocol model for the DCH transport channel with separate Controlling and Serving RNC. In this case, the Iub DCH FP is terminated in the CRNC and interworked with the Iur DCH FP through a PHY function. This function performs optional soft handover or can be a null function.

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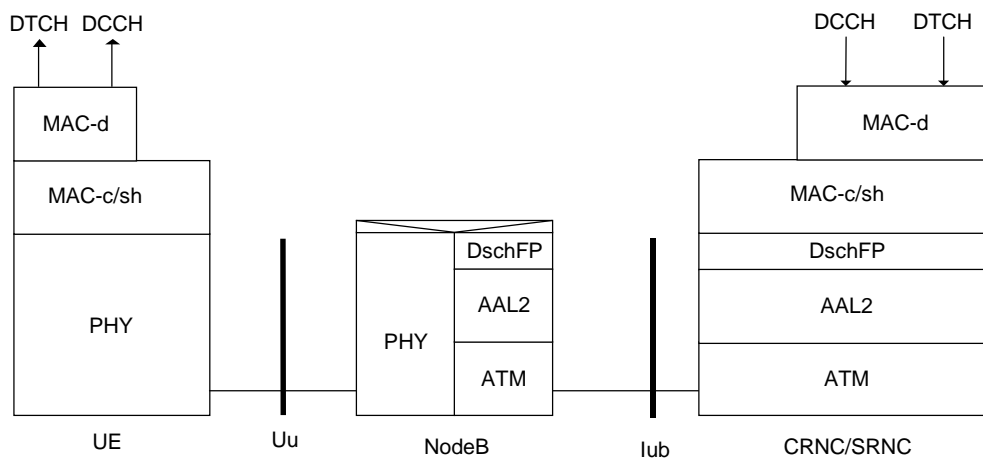


Figure 19: DSCH Co-incident Controlling and Serving RNC

The Shared MAC (MAC-c/sh) entity in the RNC transfers MAC-c/sh PDU to the peer MAC-c/sh entity in the UE using the services of the DSCH Frame Protocol (DSCH FP) entity. The DSCH FP entity adds header information to form a DSCH FP PDU that is transported to the Node B over an AAL2 connection.

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Figure 20 shows the protocol model for the DSCH transport channel with separate Controlling and Serving RNC. In this case, Iur DSCH Frame Protocol is used to interwork the MAC-c/sh at the Controlling RNC with the MAC-d at the Serving RNC.

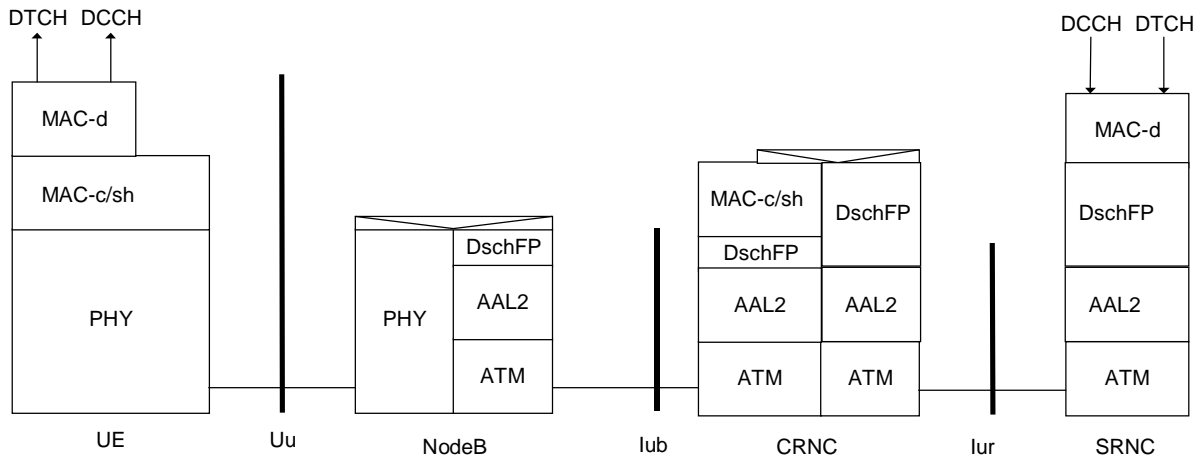


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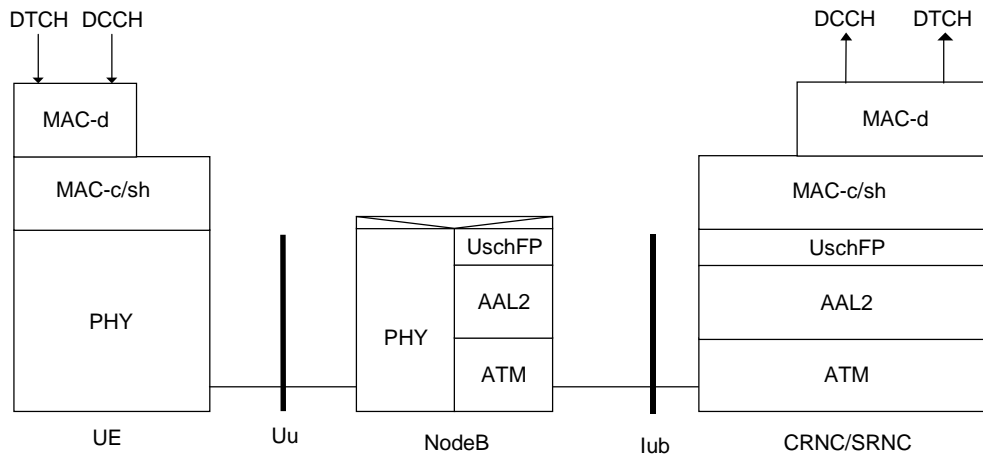


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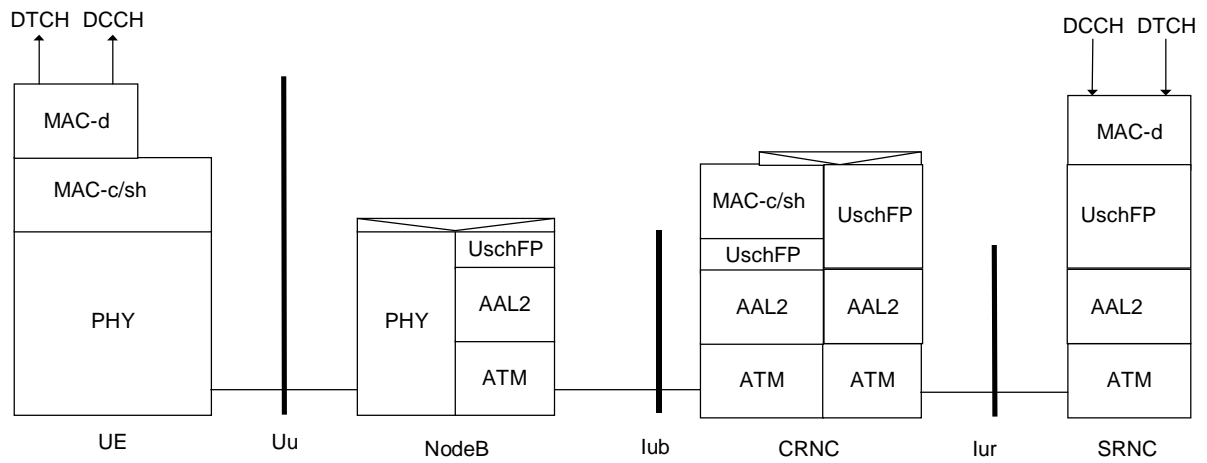


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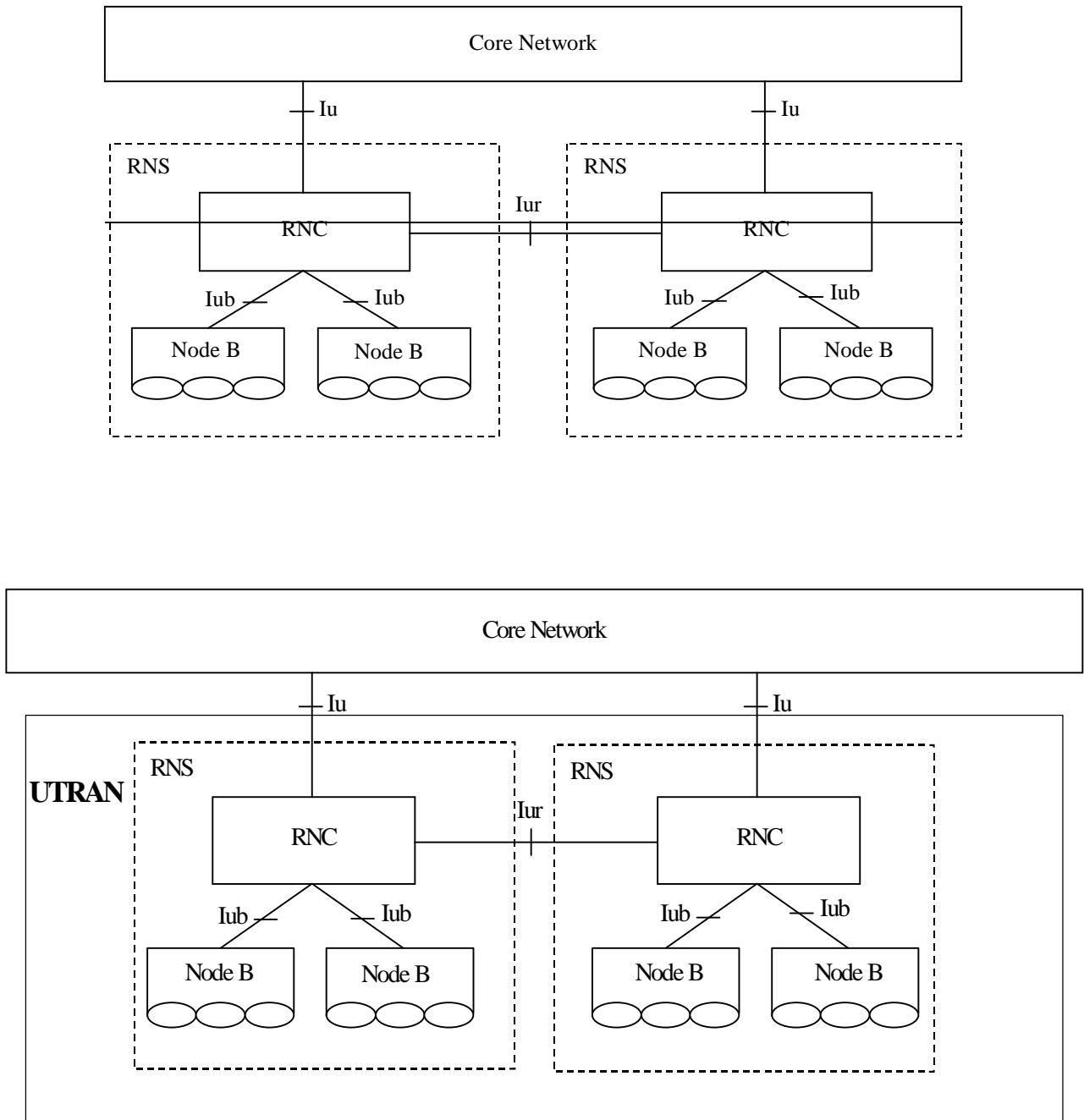


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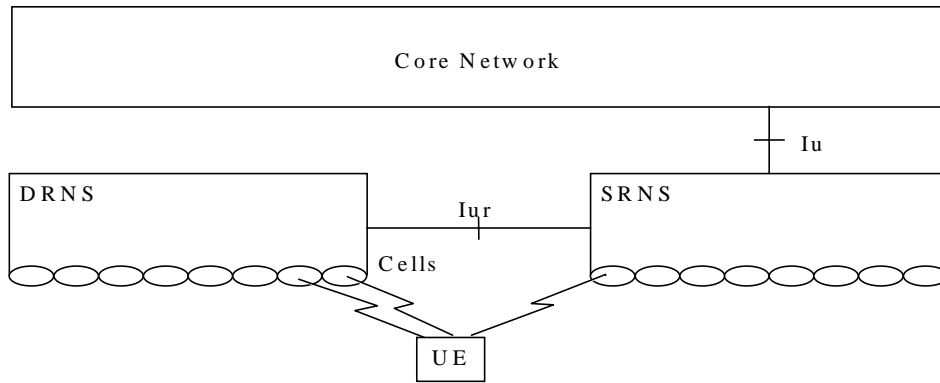


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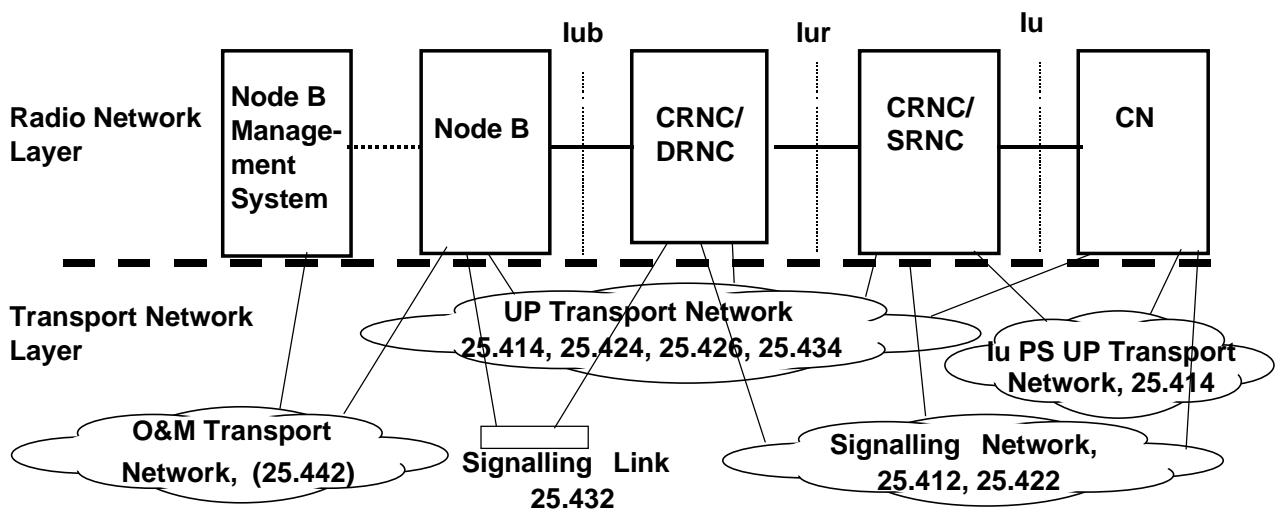


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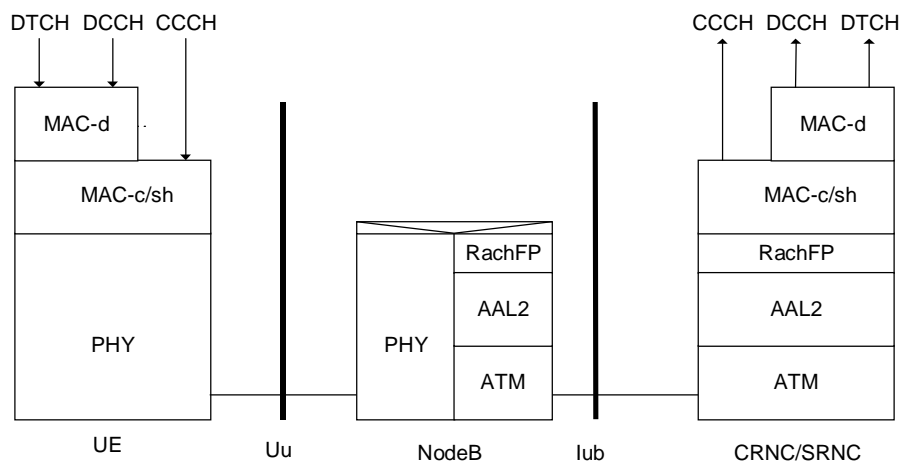


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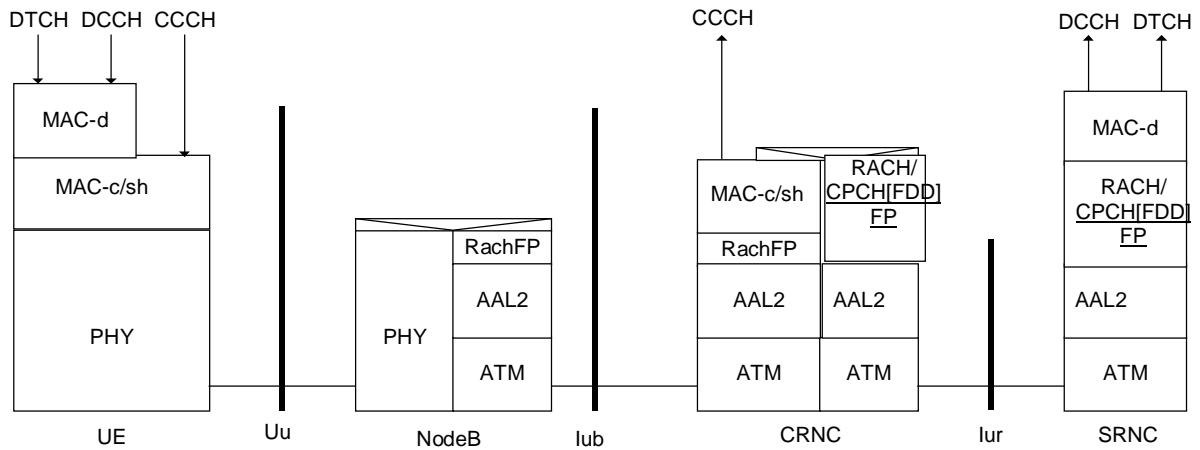


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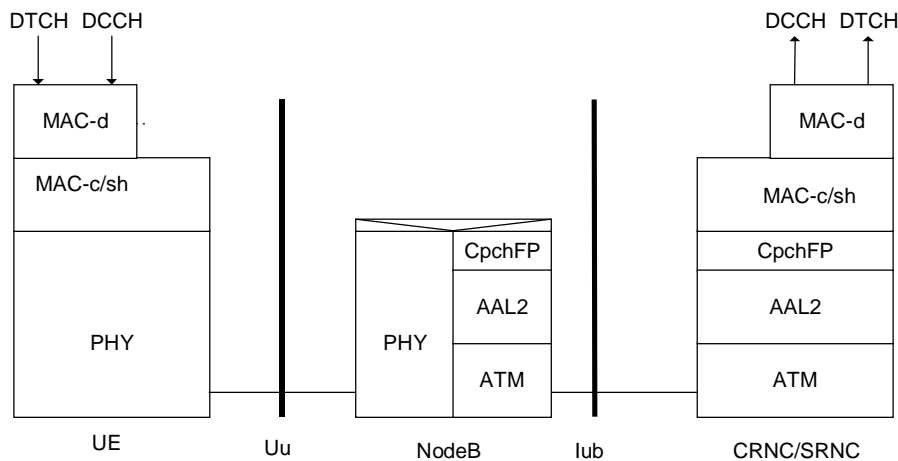


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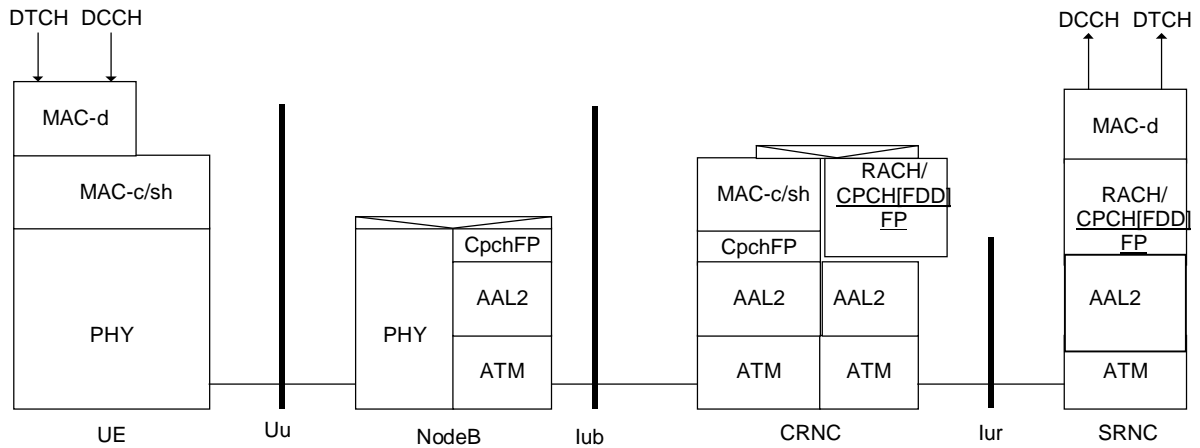


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11.2.3 FACH Transport Channel

Figure 15 shows the protocol model for the FACH transport channel when the Controlling and Serving RNC are co-incident.

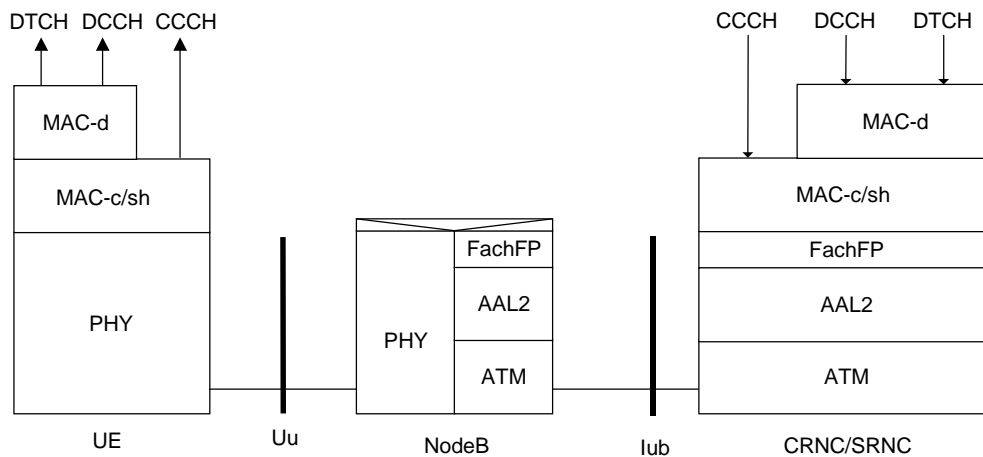


Figure 15: FACH Co-incident Controlling and Serving RNC

The Common MAC (MAC-c/sh) entity in the RNC transfers MAC-c PDU to the peer MAC-c entity in the UE using the services of the FACH Frame Protocol (FACH FP) entity.

The FACH Frame Protocol entity adds header information to form a FACH FP PDU which is transported to the Node B over an AAL2 (or AAL5) connection.

An Interworking Function (IWF) in the Node B interworks the FACH frame received by FACH Frame Protocol (FACH FP) entity into the PHY entity.

FACH scheduling is performed by MAC-c/sh in the CRNC.

Figure 16 shows the protocol model for the FACH transport channel with separate Controlling and Serving RNC. In this case, Iur FACH Frame Protocol is used to interwork the Common MAC (MAC-c) at the Controlling RNC with the Dedicated MAC (MAC-d) at the Serving RNC.

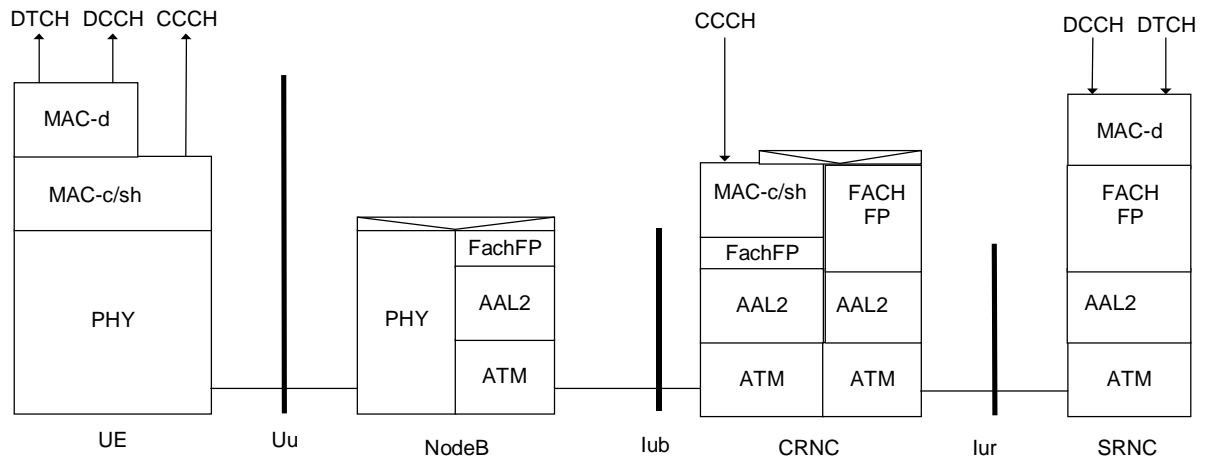


Figure 16: FACH: Separate Controlling and Serving RNC

11.2.4 DCH Transport Channel

Figure 17 shows the protocol model for the DCH transport channel when the Controlling and Serving RNC are co-incident.

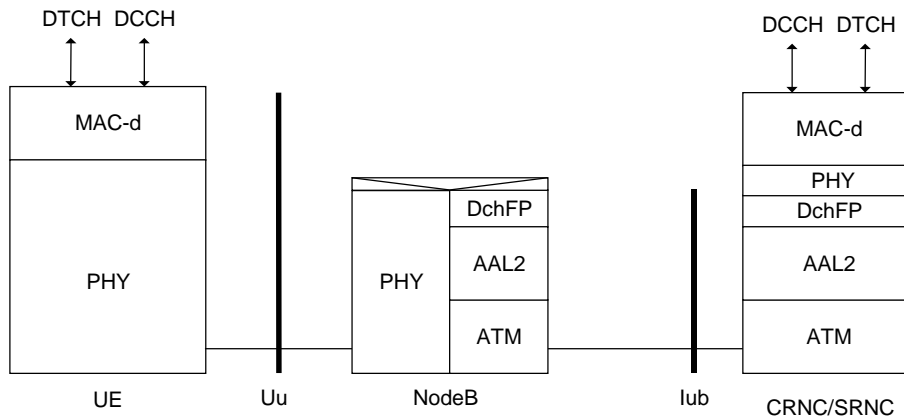


Figure 17: DCH: Co-incident Controlling and Serving RNC

The DCH transport channel introduces the concept of distributed PHY layer.

An Interworking Function (IWF) in the Node B interworks between the DCH Frame Protocol (DCH FP) entity and the PHY entity.

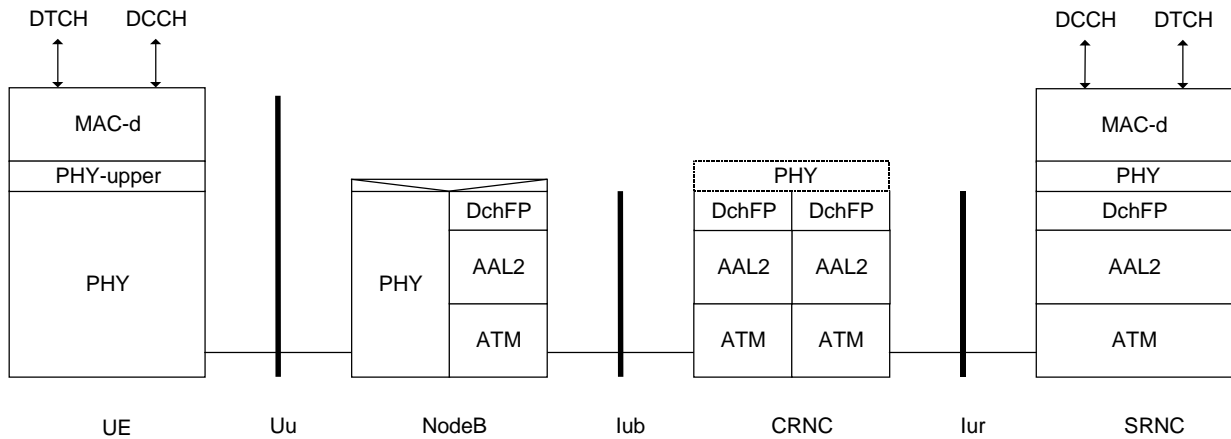


Figure 18: DCH: Separate Controlling and Serving RNC

Figure 18 shows the protocol model for the DCH transport channel with separate Controlling and Serving RNC. In this case, the Iub DCH FP is terminated in the CRNC and interworked with the Iur DCH FP through a PHY function. This function performs optional soft handover or can be a null function.

11.2.5 DSCH Transport Channel

Figure 19 shows the protocol model for the DSCH transport channel when the Controlling and Serving RNC are co-incident.

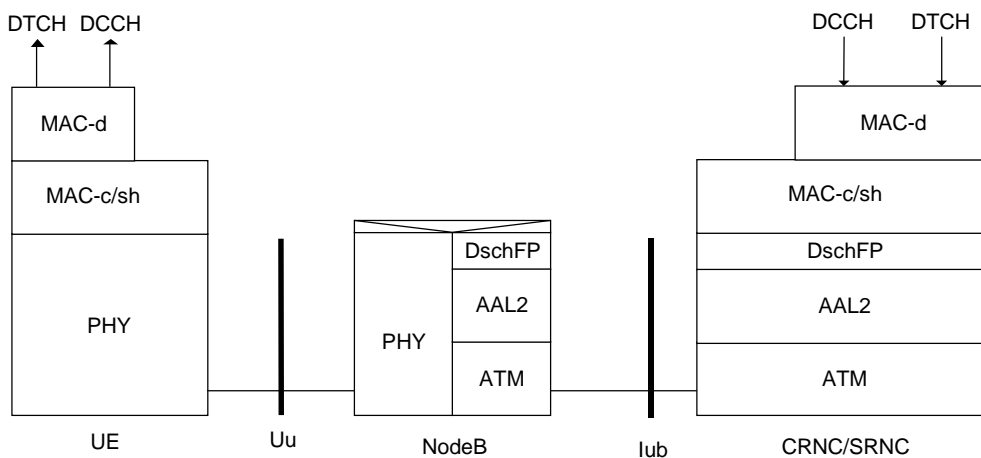


Figure 19: DSCH Co-incident Controlling and Serving RNC

The Shared MAC (MAC-c/sh) entity in the RNC transfers MAC-c/sh PDU to the peer MAC-c/sh entity in the UE using the services of the DSCH Frame Protocol (DSCH FP) entity. The DSCH FP entity adds header information to form a DSCH FP PDU that is transported to the Node B over an AAL2 connection.

An Interworking Function (IWF) in the Node B interworks the DSCH frame received by DSCH FP entity into the PHY entity. DSCH scheduling is performed by MAC-c/sh in the CRNC.

Figure 20 shows the protocol model for the DSCH transport channel with separate Controlling and Serving RNC. In this case, Iur DSCH Frame Protocol is used to interwork the MAC-c/sh at the Controlling RNC with the MAC-d at the Serving RNC.

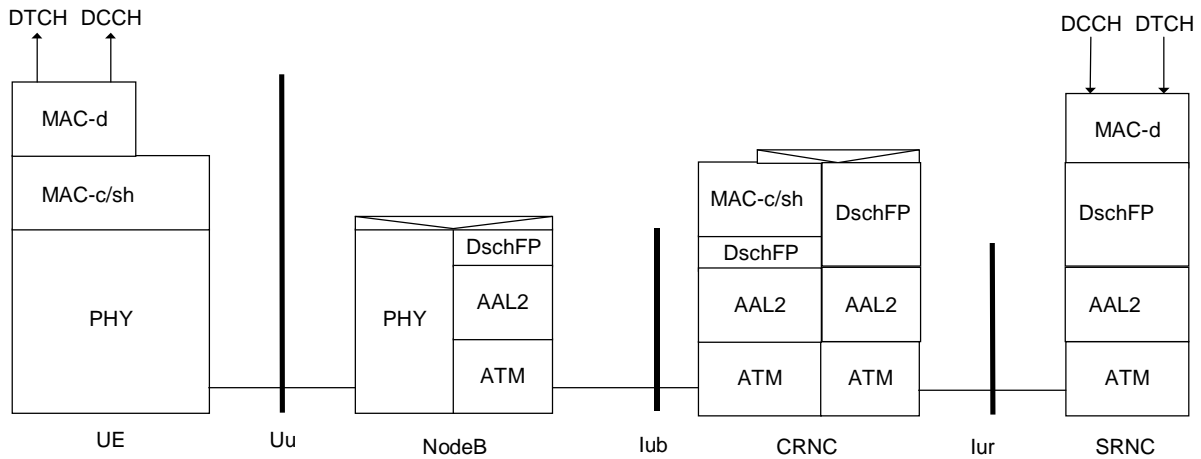


Figure 20: DSCH: Separate Controlling and Serving RNC

11.2.6 USCH Transport Channel [TDD]

Figure 21 shows the protocol model for the USCH transport channel when the Controlling and Serving RNC are co-incident.

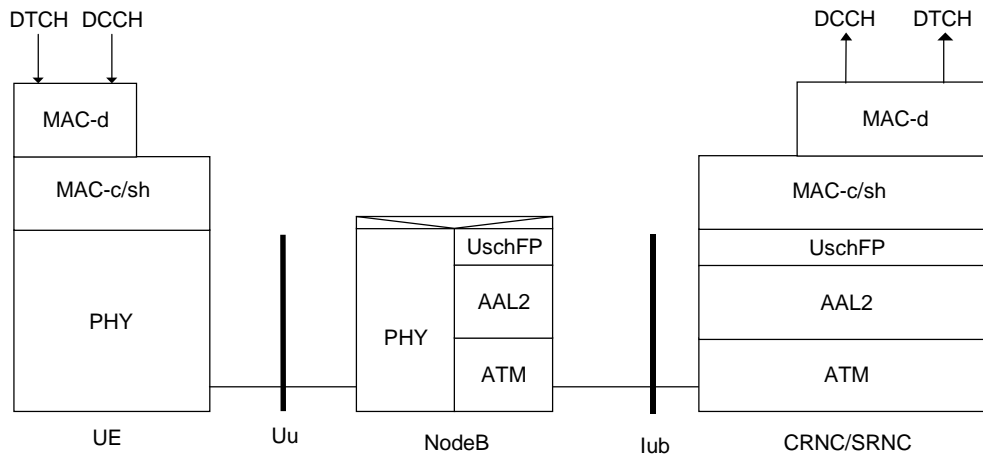


Figure 21: USCH Co-incident Controlling and Serving RNC

The Shared MAC (MAC-c/sh) entity in the RNC receives MAC-c/sh PDU from the peer MAC-c/sh entity in the UE using the services of the Interworking Function in the Node B, and the USCH Frame Protocol (USCH FP) entity. The USCH FP entity in the Node B adds header information to form a USCH FP PDU that is transported to the RNC over an AAL2 connection.

An Interworking Function (IWF) in the Node B interworks the received USCH PHY entity into an USCH frame to be transmitted by the USCH FP entity over the Iub interface. USCH scheduling is performed by MAC-c/sh in UE and by C-RRC in the CRNC.

Figure 22 shows the protocol model for the USCH transport channel with separate Controlling and Serving RNC. In this case, Iur USCH Frame Protocol is used to interwork the MAC-c/sh at the Controlling RNC with the MAC-d at the Serving RNC.

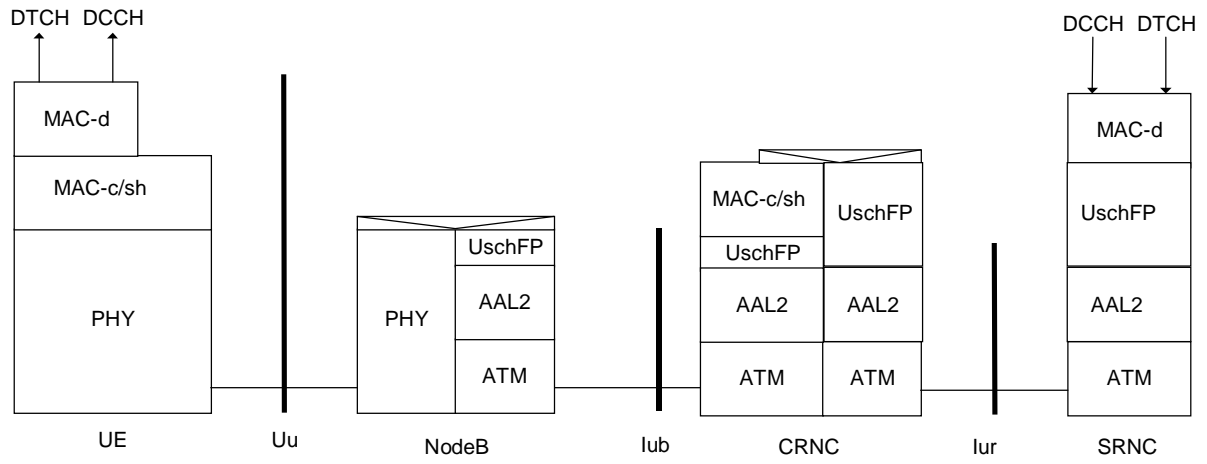


Figure 22: USCH: Separate Controlling and Serving RNC

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6.1.1 PLMN Identifier

A Public Land Mobile Network is uniquely identified as define in [6] sub-clause 12.1.

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