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Title: Implementation of Domain Specific Access Control within Rel-5 UEs

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1. Introduction

Within the work item of Access Class Barring and Overload protection (ACBOP), 3GPP studied Domain Specific Access Control (DSAC) and completed its stage 3 specification as a Rel-6 functionality. DSAC enables operators to apply access class barring to a specific domain (CS or PS). One of its major use cases is to allow subscribers to access emergency and safety information via the PS domain while their access to the CS domain is blocked in the event of natural disasters. When a large-scale disaster occurs, the degree of packet traffic congestion is generally lower than that of voice communications. Thus, it is effective to control the packet communications independently to CS voice communications for the purpose of attaining a higher rate of completion for messaging and web access.

In this contribution we propose that TSG-RAN and TSG-CT consider and recommend to TSG-SA so that specification work within TSG-RAN and TSG-CT is undertaken to enable implementation of DSAC in a Release 5 UE as an optional feature. At first we explain how urgent the introduction of DSAC is requested in Japan and how effective DSAC is in a live network to show the reason behind our proposal. Secondly we show the current status of RAN2/CT1 discussion and issues involved.

Finally, we propose that a recommendation is made to TSG-SA to request specification work within TSG-RAN and TSG-CT to enable early implementation of DSAC in a Release 5 UE as an optional feature.

2. Discussion

2.1 Situation of mobile operators in Japan

The Ministry of Public Management, Home Affairs, Posts and Telecommunication (MPHPT) in July 2003 released a report from the "Study Group for Ensuring Important Telecommunications in the Telecommunications Business" recommending measures for ensuring important telecommunications. Since then, considering the earthquake off the coast of Miyagi Prefecture in May 2003 in which extreme congestion of mobile communication was witnessed, MPHPT has been compiling urgent measures to be adopted by telecommunications carriers.

In line with the recommendations, telecommunications carriers have been introducing countermeasures against disasters, for ensuring important telecommunications through individual and/or concerted efforts. For Instance, Japanese mobile operators have been introducing or developing functions for enabling independent communications control on voice and packets on a separate basis. NTT DoCoMo has already introduced the functions in PDC network in 2004 and it is understood that 3GPP2 networks in Japan will provide this functionality in 2005. Since the number of WCDMA subscribers in Japan has surpassed 12 million and continues to rise sharply¹, providing the DSAC function for WCDMA networks is urgently required.

¹ current rate of growth for WCDMA services in Japan is over 1 million subscribers per month

2.2 Effectiveness of DSAC

The figure 1 in the annex shows the traffic trace of the live PDC network taken around the midnight of new year (2005) eve. The independent access restriction percentage was applied to PS and CS domain in order to regulate the congestion caused by "Happy New Year" calls. The effectiveness of DSAC can be seen in that about 40% increase in PS session served at the peak of traffic, compared to the estimation made on the assumption that the same restriction percentage as the CS domain was applied to the PS domain. Since the effectiveness of DSAC is proven to be useful, we would like to provide DSAC for our WCDMA subscribers as soon as possible.

2.3 Status of RAN2 discussion and issues

RAN2 has already discussed this issue technically in the previous two meetings and the current status is shown below.

- 1) TSG-SA should decide if early implementation of DSAC within Rel-5 UEs is allowed
- From RAN2's perspective it is technically possible to implement DSAC and Network sharing separately within Rel-5 UEs
- Provided that early implementation of DSAC within Rel-5 UEs is allowed, RAN2 agreed on having a TR to document the early implementation of DSAC and ensure ASN.1 backward compatibility.

Although RAN2 has yet to study the TR content, we believe that RAN2 can quickly agree on its content in coordination with CT1, and complete the necessary specification work to enable early implementation of DSAC in a Release 5 UE as an optional feature.

2.4 Status of CT1 discussion and issues

Implementation of DSAC within Rel-5 UEs was introduced in the last CT1#38 meeting and the current status is summarized below.

- 1) TSG-SA should decide if early implementation of DSAC within Rel-5 UEs is allowed
- 2) Provided that implementation of DSAC in Release 5 UEs as optional feature is allowed, the technical issues involved must be identified
- From CT1's perspective, a separate TR for each candidate feature could be considered as a way to document early implementation.

A thorough study on the early implementation of DSAC is yet to be complete in CT1, but we believe it is technically feasible to implement DSAC in Rel-5 UEs and there are no further complexities involved. As also indicated in section 2.3, we believe CT1 can coordinate with RAN2 and quickly complete the necessary specification work to enable early implementation of DSAC in a Release 5 UE as an optional feature.

3. Proposal

3.1 Recommendations to TSG-SA

Considering the content of section 2 of this contribution (in particular 2.1 & 2.2.), it is recommended that TSG-SA plenary request TSG-RAN and TSG-CT to undertake the necessary stage 3 specification work to enable implementation of DSAC in a Release 5 UE as an optional feature. Furthermore, due to the urgent need for this functionality to be made commercially available, especially within the Japanese market, TSG-SA should request that this work be completed by the next round of TSG meetings (i.e. September 2005).

3.2 Recommendations to TSG-RAN

Considering the content of section 2 of this contribution (in particular 2.1, 2.2 & 2.3), it is recommended that TSG-RAN plenary consider the issues involved in the implementation of DSAC within REL-5 UEs and recommend to TSG-SA that the necessary specification work be undertaken within TSG-RAN.

3.3 Recommendations to TSG-CT

Considering the content of section 2 of this contribution (in particular 2.1, 2.2 & 2.3), it is recommended that TSG-CT plenary consider the issues involved in the implementation of DSAC within REL-5 UEs and recommend to TSG-SA that the necessary specification work be undertaken within TSG-CT.

Annex

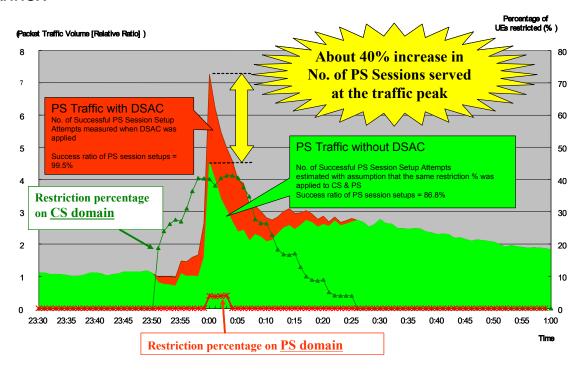


Figure 1 Traffic Trace taken around the midnight of the new year (2005) eve

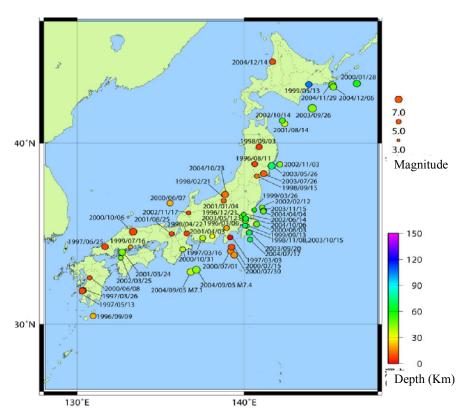


Figure 2 Map of large earthquakes which caused human/infrastructure damage from 1996 to 2004 (source from the Japan Meteorological Agency)

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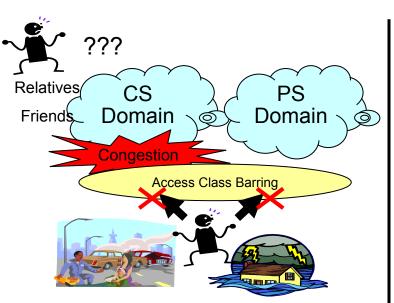


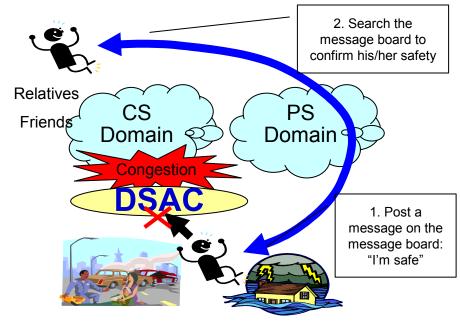
What is DSAC?

DSAC and Its Major use case

Before DSAC, in extreme situations such as large scale earthquakes, operators had no choice but activating the access class barring to protect themselves from being overloaded by CS calls. However this blocks both CS and PS domains and makes it impossible to utilise the available capacity in the PS domain for emergency communications (LEFT Figure).

DSAC (introduced in REL-6) enables operators to apply access class barring to a specific domain (CS or PS). So in the extreme conditions, it allows subscribers to access emergency and safety information via the PS domain while their access to the CS domain is blocked (RIGHT Figure).









Background and Motivation

- According to the recommendation from Japanese government for ensuring urgent messaging and important telecommunication under extreme circumstances, mobile operators in Japan have been developing functions to control packet communications independently to CS voice. DSAC introduced in 3GPP REL-6 spec is essential for providing such functions.
- NTT DoCoMo has already introduced the functions in our PDC (2G) network in 2004 which has proved to be extremely helpful.
- It is urgently required to also provide the functions for 12 million plus WCDMA subscribers





Current status in 3GPP

- The decision of DSAC implementation within REL-5 UEs should be taken by TSG-SA (RAN2/CT1)
- From RAN2 perspective, it is technically possible to implement DSAC without Network sharing within REL-5 UEs.
- If TSG-SA agrees:
 - RAN2 agreed to ensure backward compatibility of DSAC signalling
 - RAN2 and CT1 prefer to have a new TR to document the early support of DSAC in Rel-5 UEs





Proposals to TSGs

TSG-RAN

Recommend to TSG-SA that the necessary work be undertaken within TSG-RAN to enable implementation of DSAC in a REL-5 UE as an optional feature.

TSG-CT

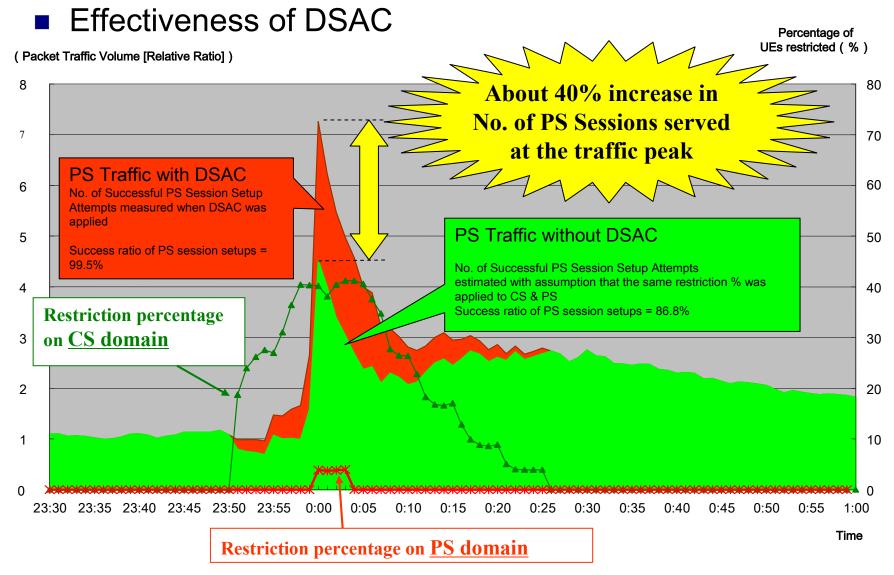
Recommend to TSG-SA that the necessary work be undertaken within TSG-CT to enable implementation of DSAC in a REL-5 UE as an optional feature.

TSG-SA

Request TSG-RAN and TSG-CT to undertake the necessary stage 3 work to enable implementation of DSAC in a REL-5 UE as an optional feature. Furthermore, due to the urgent need for this functionality, especially within the Japanese market, TSG-SA should request that this work be completed by the next round of TSG meetings (i.e. September 2005).



Backup Slides 1



Traffic Trace taken around the midnight of the new year (2005) eve



Backup Slides 2

Earthquake statistics in Japan

Date	Ma g.	Location	Casualties	Main physical damage	Maximum earthquake intensity (Japanese scale)	Tsunami
2000/06/03	6.1	Northern part of Chiba Prefecture	1 injured	30 buildings damaged	Weak 5	
2000/06/07	6.2	Off the west coast of Ishikawa Prefecture	3 injured	1 building damaged	Weak 5	
2000/07/01	6.5	Adjacent water of Niijima and Kozushima	1 dead	15 buildings damaged	Weak 6	7 cm
2000/07/15	6.3	Adjacent water of Niijima and Kozushima	14 injured	7 buildings half destroyed	Weak 6	7 cm
2000/10/06	7.3	Western part of Tottori Prefecture (named The 2000 Western Tottori Earthquake)	182 injured	435 buildings completely destroyed, and 3,101 buildings half destroyed	Strong 6	
2001/01/04	5.3	Chuetsu District of Niigata Prefecture	2 injured	607 buildings damaged	Weak 5	
2001/03/24	6.7	Akinada (named The 2001 Geiyo Earthquake)	2 dead, 288 injured	70 buildings completely destroyed, and 774 buildings half destroyed	Weak 6	
2001/04/03	5.3	Central part of Shizuoka Prefecture	8 injured	80 buildings damaged	Strong 5	
2003/05/26	7.1	Off the coast of Miyagi Prefecture	174 injured	2 buildings completely destroyed, and 21 buildings half destroyed	Weak 6	
2003/07/26	6.4	Northern part of Miyagi Prefecture	677 injured	1276 buildings completely destroyed, and 3809 buildings half destroyed	Strong 6	
2003/09/26	8	Off the coast of Kushiro City (named The 2003Tokachi-Oki Earthquake)	2 missing, 849 injured	116 buildings completely destroyed, and 368 buildings half destroyed	Weak 6	255 cm
2004/09/05	7.4	Off the coast of the Tokaido region	36 injured	2 buildings damaged	Weak 5	93 cm
2004/10/23	6.8	Chuetsu District of Niigata Prefecture (named The 2004 Niigata Chuetsu Earthquake)	40 dead, 4,574 injured	2,867 buildings completely destroyed, and 11,122 buildings half destroyed	7	
2004/11/29	7.1	Off the coast of Kushiro City	51 injured	3 buildings damaged	Strong 5	13 cm
2004/12/06	6.9	Off the southeast coast of the Nenuro Peninsula	12 injured	School building partially damaged	Strong 5	
2004/12/14	6.1	Southern part of Rumoi-shicho	8 injured	Outer walls of buildings damaged	Strong 5	





Backup Slides 3

Damage caused by Earthquakes





Quoted from Ministry of Land Infrastructure and Transport Web page: http://www.mlit.go.jp/hakusyo/transport/heisei07/7PICTTOC.HTM