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TSG-S4 CODEC Working Group

Status Report

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TSG-S4 Documents

- SP-99126: TSG-S4 Status Report at TSG-SA#3
- SP-99127: TSG-S4 Status Report (Slides)
- SP-99128: Updated List of TSG-S4 Deliverables
- SP-99129: Proposed Work Item for Approval on 3G Audio-Visual Terminal Characteristics
- SP-99130: Work Program and Open Issues for Work Item S4-4 on QoS for Audio and Multimedia Codecs
- SP-99131 to SP-99140: TSG-S4 Specifications

Meetings Schedule

- 2 Meetings held since TSG-SA#2
 - TSG-S4#3: March 24-26, 1999 in Yokosuka, Japan,
 Finland hosted by NTT DoCoMo
 - TSG-S4#4: April 20-22, 1999 in Munich, Germany hosted by Siemens
- Next Meetings Schedule
 - TSG-S4#5: June 14-16 hosted by North America
 - TSG-S4#6: September 8-10 host required
 - TSG-S4#7: October 20-22 host required
 - TSG-S4#8: December 1-3 host required

Highlights

- Review of Work Program for all Work Items
 Identification of Editors for Technical Specifications
- Production of first version of Technical Specifications for Mandatory/AMR Speech Codec
- Agreement on Mandatory Terminal Capabilities for Support of Circuit Switched H.324 Based Multimedia Telephony Service
- Production of first version of Technical Specifications for Codec for CS Multimedia Telephony Service
- Progress of other Work Items: QoS for Audio and Multimedia Codec, Tandem Free Operation in 3G
- Approval of New Work Item on 3G Audio-Visual Terminal Characteristics

Mandatory Speech Codec

 Agreement on Structure of 3GPP Mandatory Speech Codec Specifications

TS 26.010: AMR Speech Codec; General Description

TS 26.011: AMR Speech Codec; Transcoding Functions

TS 26.012: AMR Speech Codec; ANSI C-Code

TS 26.013: AMR Speech Codec; Test Sequences

TS 26.014: AMR Speech Codec; Comfort Noise Aspects

TS 26.015: AMR Speech Codec; Error Concealment of Lost Frames

TS 26.016: AMR Speech Codec; Source Controlled Rate Operation

TS 26.017: AMR Speech Codec; Voice Activity Detection

TS 26.018: AMR Speech Codec; Frame Structure

TS 26.019: AMR Speech Codec; Interface to lu and Uu

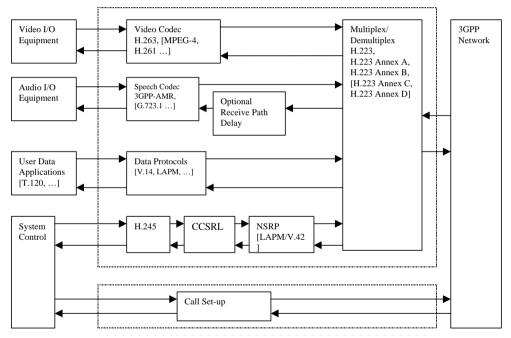
TR 26.020: AMR Speech Codec; Performances Characterization

AMR Speech Codec: Open Issues

- AMR specifications for ANSI-C Code and VAD previously approved by SMG must be reviewed for consistency by SMG11 before transfer to 3GPP
 - ⇒ To be presented at TSG-SA#4
- Preparation of Characterization Test Plan to be transferred to Speech Quality Group of SMG11
 - ⇒ Source of Funding for Characterization Tests?
- Definition of Channel Coding for Mandatory Speech Codec under discussion with TSG-RAN-WG1
 - ⇒ Support of Unequal Error Protection under review

Codec for CS Multimedia Telephony Service

Based on ITU H.324 + Annex C (H.324-M)



Codec for CS Multimedia Telephony Service : Assumptions & Decisions

- Focus on Multimedia Telephony Service within 3G system
 - Low penetration of fixed access Multimedia Terminals
 - Requirement for gateway if interoperability required (especially if fixed Terminal not compatible with 'Mobile' version of H.324 = H.324-M)
- 3G to carry Multimedia data flow as a single data flow at the output of the H.223 Multiplex (vs multiple media flows on different RABs)
- Agreement on Limited set of Mandatory Terminal Capabilities:
 - Support of AMR for Audio part as only Mandatory Speech Codec (ITU H.324 specifies G.723.1 as the mandatory speech codec)
 - Support of H.263 as the Mandatory Video Codec (ITU H.324 also includes H.261 as a second mandatory video codec)
 - Support of H.223 Annex B for Multiplex functions
 - Minimum user data rate of 32 kbit/s
- Additional set of recommendations included in Terminal Implementor's Guide (TR 26.115)

Codec for CS Multimedia Telephony Service

Agreement on Structure of Specifications

TS 26.110: Codec for CS Multimedia Telephony Service; General Description

TS 26.111: Codec for CS Multimedia Telephony Service; Modifications to H.324

TS 26.112: Codec for CS Multimedia Telephony Service;

<u>Call Set-Up Requirements</u>

(sent to TSG-CN for Consideration)

TR 26.115: Codec for CS Multimedia Telephony Service; Terminal Implementor's Guide

Versions 1.0.0 provided to TSG-SA#3

Other Approved Work Items

- WI S4-3: QoS for Speech and Multimedia Codec
 - Presentation and Demo of Video Codec Performances
 - Reviewed ARIB Evaluation Test Results of Video Codec for CS Multimedia Telephony Service
 - Key Results to be provided in TR 26.116
- WI S4-5: Codec(s) for Wideband Telephony Services
 - No Contributions
 - Results of ETSI SMG11 Feasibility Study expected for 6/99
- WI S4-6: Tandem Free Operations in 3G or between 2G and 3G systems
 - Reviewed updated Requirement Specification (TS 02.53 -> TS 22.053, sent to TSG-S1 for review)
 - Progress dependent on decisions on Transcoder Location

New Work Item

- WI S4-4: 3G Audio-Visual Terminal Characteristics
 - Scope: Specification of Acoustic and Visual Performances and Test Requirements of 3G Terminals, for the Narrowband and Wideband speech and Multimedia Telephony services
 - Specifications Approval for Narrowband speech and Video Telephony Acoustic Characteristics

December 1999

- Specifications Approval for Visual Characteristics of 3G
 Multimedia Terminals
 December 1999
- Specifications Approval for Wideband speech
 Acoustic Characteristics
 December 2000

Required inputs from other Working Groups

- Channel coding for mandatory speech service (TSG-R1)
 - Item under study: Support of Unequal Error Protection
 - On-going exchange of Liaison Statements
- Location of Transcoder (TSG-S2)
 - Key to define Tandem Free Operation in 3G systems
 - Related support of out-of-Band TFO

Documents Presented to TSG-SA

For Information:

- SP-99128: Updated List of TSG-S4 Deliverables
- SP-99130: Work Program and Open Issues for WI-3
 QoS for Audio and Multimedia Codecs

For Approval:

 SP-99129: Proposed WI on 3G Terminals Audio-Visual Characteristics

Specifications Presented to TSG-SA

AMR Speech Codec:

- SP-99131: TS 26.010 Version 1.0.0: General description
- SP-99132: TS 26.011 Version 1.0.0: Transcoding functions
- SP-99133: TS 26.014 Version 1.0.0: Comfort noise
- SP-99134: TS 26.015 Version 1.0.0: Error concealment of lost...
- SP-99135: TS 26.016 Version 1.0.0: Source controlled rate...
- SP-99136: TR 26.018 Version 1.0.0: Frame structure

Circuit Switched Multimedia Telephony Service:

- SP-99137: TS 26.110 Version 1.0.0: General description
- SP-99138: TS 26.111 Version 1.0.0: Modifications to H.324
- SP-99139: TS 26.112 Version 1.0.0: Call Set-Up Requirements
- SP-99140: TR 26.115 Version 1.0.0: Terminal Implementor's...