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Title: CRs to TS 26.234 on " Corrections and Clarifications "
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Spec	CR	Rev	Phase	Subject	Cat	Vers	WG	Meeting	S4 doc
26.234	011		REL-4	Specification of missing limit for number of AMR Frames per Sample	F	4.2.0	S4	TSG-SA WG4#20	S4-020038
26.234	013	2	REL-4	Removing of the reference to TS 26.235	F	4.2.0	S4	TSG-SA WG4#20	S4-020161
26.234	014		REL-4	Correction to the reference for the XHTML MIME media type	F	4.2.0	S4	TSG-SA WG4#20	S4-020041
26.234	015	1	REL-4	Correction to MPEG-4 references	F	4.2.0	S4	TSG-SA WG4#20	S4-020144
26.234	018	1	REL-4	Correction to the width field of H263SampleEntry Atom in Section D.6	F	4.2.0	S4	TSG-SA WG4#20	S4-020192
26.234	019		REL-4	Correction to the definition of "b=AS"	F	4.2.0	S4	TSG-SA WG4#20	S4-020146
26.234	020		REL-4	Clarification of the index number's range in the referred MP4 file format	F	4.2.0	S4	TSG-SA WG4#20	S4-020150
26.234	021		REL-4	Correction of SDP attribute 'C='	F	4.2.0	S4	TSG-SA WG4#20	S4-020164

CHANGE REQUEST

⌘ **26.234 CR 011** ⌘ rev **-** ⌘ Current version: **4.2.0** ⌘

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Proposed change affects: ⌘ (U)SIM ME/UE Radio Access Network Core Network

Title:	⌘ Specification of Missing Limit for Number of AMR Frames per Sample		
Source:	⌘ TSG SA WG4		
Work item code:	⌘ PSTREAM	Date:	⌘ 11 March 2002
Category:	⌘ F	Release:	⌘ REL-4
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Reason for change:	⌘ No limit was specified for the 'frames_per_sample' field in the 'AMRDecSpecStruc' structure. Without a proper limit it may be assigned values which are too high and may cause undesirable effects.
Summary of change:	⌘ The CR specifies that PSS mandates limiting the number of AMR frames per sample to a low value (less than 16).
Consequences if not approved:	⌘ Setting the 'frames_per_sample' too high may hurt the support of seeking and buffering, by decreasing the resolution of the random access to the stream, and by causing terminals with small buffer size not to be able to deal with such large chunk of data.

Clauses affected:	⌘ Annex D		
Other specs affected:	<input type="checkbox"/> Other core specifications <input type="checkbox"/> Test specifications <input type="checkbox"/> O&M Specifications	⌘	
Other comments:	⌘		

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D.7 AMRSpecificAtom field for AMRSampleEntry atom

The AMRSpecificAtom fields for AMR and AMR-WB shall be as defined in table D.6. The AMRSpecificAtom for the AMRSampleEntry Atom shall always be included if the MP4 file contains AMR or AMR-WB media.

Table D.6: The AMRSpecificAtom fields for AMRSampleEntry

Field	Type	Details	Value
AtomHeader.Size	Unsigned int(32)		
AtomHeader.Type	Unsigned int(32)		'damr'
DecSpecificInfo	AMRDecSpecStruc	Structure which holds the AMR and AMR-WB Specific information	

AtomHeader Size and Type: indicate the size and type of the AMR decoder-specific atom. The type must be 'damr'.

DecSpecificInfo: the structure where the AMR and AMR-WB stream specific information resides.

The AMRDecSpecStruc is defined as follows:

```
struct AMRDecSpecStruc{  
  
    Unsigned int (32)   vendor  
  
    Unsigned int (8)    decoder_version  
  
    Unsigned int (16)   mode_set  
  
    Unsigned int (8)    mode_change_period  
  
    Unsigned int (8)    frames_per_sample  
  
}
```

The definitions of AMRDecSpecStruc members are as follows:

vendor: four character code of the manufacturer of the codec, e.g. 'VXYZ'. The vendor field gives information about the vendor whose codec is used to create the encoded data. It is an informative field which may be used by the decoding end. If a manufacturer already has a four character code, it is recommended that it uses the same code in this field. Else, it is recommended that the manufacturer creates a four character code which best addresses the manufacturer's name. It can be safely ignored.

decoder_version: version of the vendor's decoder which can decode the encoded stream in the best (i.e. optimal) way. This field is closely tied to the vendor field. It may give advantage to the vendor which has optimal encoder-decoder version pairs. The value is set to 0 if decoder version has no importance for the vendor. It can be safely ignored.

mode_set: the active codec modes. Each bit of the mode_set parameter corresponds to one mode. The bit index of the mode is calculated according to the 4 bit FT field of the AMR or AMR-WB frame structure. The mode_set bit structure is as follows: (B15xxxxxB8B7xxxxxB0) where B0 (Least Significant Bit) corresponds to Mode 0, and B8 corresponds to Mode 8.

The mapping of existing AMR modes to FT is given in table 1.a in [19]. A value of 0x81FF means all modes and comfort noise frames are possibly present in an AMR stream.

The mapping of existing AMR-WB modes to FT is given in Table 1.a in TS 26.201 [37]. A value of 0x83FF means all modes and comfort noise frames are possibly present in an AMR-WB stream.

As an example, if mode_set = 0000000110010101b, only Modes 0, 2, 4, 7 and 8 are present in the stream.

mode_change_period: defines a number N, which restricts the mode changes only at a multiple of N frames. If no restriction is applied, this value should be set to 0. If mode_change_period is not 0, the following restrictions apply to it according to the frames_per_sample field:

if (mode_change_period < frames_per_sample)

frames_per_sample = k x (mode_change_period)

else if (mode_change_period > frames_per_sample)

mode_change_period = k x (frames_per_sample)

where k : integer [2, ...]

If mode_change_period is equal to frames_per_sample, then the mode is the same for all frames inside one sample.

frames_per_sample: defines the number of frames to be considered as 'one sample' inside the MP4 file. This number ~~should~~ shall be greater than 0 and less than 16. A value of 1 means each frame is treated as one sample. A value of 10 means that 10 frames (of duration 20 msec each) are put together and treated as one sample. It must be noted that, in this case, one sample duration is 20 (msec/frame) x 10 (frame) = 200 msec. For the last sample of the stream, the number of frames can be smaller than frames_per_sample, if the number of remaining frames is smaller than frames_per_sample.

NOTE: The "hinter", for the creation of the hint tracks, can use the information given by the AMRDecSpecStruc members.

CHANGE REQUEST

⌘ **26.234 CR 018** ⌘ rev **1** ⌘ Current version: **4.2.0** ⌘

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Proposed change affects: ⌘ (U)SIM ME/UE Radio Access Network Core Network

Title:	⌘ Correction to the width field of H263SampleEntry Atom in Section D.6		
Source:	⌘ TSG SA WG4		
Work item code:	⌘ PSTREAM	Date:	⌘ 11 March 2002
Category:	⌘ F	Release:	⌘ Rel-4
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Reason for change:	⌘ The width field present in the H263SampleEntry Atom has to be of type "unsigned int(16)", rather than "unsigned int(32)".
Summary of change:	⌘ The CR corrects the typo related to the data type of the width field in the H263SampleEntry Atom in Section D.6
Consequences if not approved:	⌘ The H263SampleEntry atom will be wrongly parsed and it will also not be compatible with the VisualSampleEntry Atom's width field.

Clauses affected:	⌘ Annex D		
Other specs affected:	⌘ <input type="checkbox"/> Other core specifications <input type="checkbox"/> Test specifications <input type="checkbox"/> O&M Specifications	⌘	
Other comments:	⌘		

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D.6 H263SampleEntry atom

The atom type of the H263SampleEntry Atom shall be 's263'.

The H263SampleEntry Atom is defined as follows:

H263SampleEntry ::= AtomHeader

Reserved_6

Data-reference-index

Reserved_16

Width

Height

Reserved_4

Reserved_4

Reserved_4

Reserved_2

Reserved_32

Reserved_2

Reserved_2

H263SpecificAtom

Table D.5: H263SampleEntry fields

Field	Type	Details	Value
AtomHeader.Size	Unsigned int(32)		
AtomHeader.Type	Unsigned int(32)		's263'
Reserved_6	Unsigned int(8) [6]		0
Data-reference-index	Unsigned int(16)	Index to a data reference that to use to retrieve the sample data. Data references are stored in data reference Atoms.	
Reserved_16	Const unsigned int(32) [4]		0
Width	Unsigned int(32) Unsigned int(16)	Maximum width, in pixels of the stream	
Height	Unsigned int(16)	Maximum height, in pixels of the stream	
Reserved_4	Const unsigned int(32)		0x00480000
Reserved_4	Const unsigned int(32)		0x00480000
Reserved_4	Const unsigned int(32)		0
Reserved_2	Const unsigned int(16)		1
Reserved_32	Const unsigned int(8) [32]		0
Reserved_2	Const unsigned int(16)		24
Reserved_2	Const int(16)		-1
H263SpecificAtom		Information specific to the H.263 decoder.	

If one compares the VisualSampleEntry – H263SampleEntry Atom the main difference is in the replacement of the ESDAtom, which is specific to MPEG-4 systems, with an atom suitable for H.263. The **H263SpecificAtom** field structure for H.263 is described in clause D.8.

CHANGE REQUEST

⌘ **26.234 CR 021** ⌘ rev **-** ⌘ Current version: **4.2.0** ⌘

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Proposed change affects: ⌘ (U)SIM ME/UE Radio Access Network Core Network

Title:	⌘ Correction of SDP attribute 'c='		
Source:	⌘ TSG SA WG4		
Work item code:	⌘ PSTREAM	Date:	⌘ 11 March 2002
Category:	⌘ F	Release:	⌘ Rel-4
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Reason for change:	⌘ The support of NULL parameter in the "c=" SDP field is currently optional, however if a PSS client does not support it the connection may fail.- The Table A.1 does not state that it is intended for SDP clients only.
Summary of change:	⌘ Move the Note section of A.1 to section 5.3.3. Add wording to section and Table A.1 that clarifies the table content.
Consequences if not approved:	⌘ The connection may fail if the 'c=' field contains NULL values Implementors may use the settings of Table A.1 for PSS servers.

Clauses affected:	⌘ 5.3.3 Annex A.1		
Other specs affected:	⌘ <input type="checkbox"/> Other core specifications <input type="checkbox"/> Test specifications <input type="checkbox"/> O&M Specifications	⌘	
Other comments:	⌘		

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5.3.3 SDP

Technical Specification

RTSP requires a presentation description. SDP shall be used as the format of the presentation description for both PSS clients and servers. PSS servers shall provide and clients interpret the SDP syntax according to the SDP specification [6] and appendix C of [5]. The SDP delivered to the PSS client shall declare the media types to be used in the session using a codec specific MIME media type for each media. MIME media types to be used in the SDP file are described in clause 5.4 of the present document.

The SDP [6] specification requires certain fields to always be included in an SDP file. Apart from this a PSS server shall always include the following fields in the SDP:

- "a=control:" according to clauses C.1.1, C.2 and C.3 in [5];
- "a=range:" according to clause C.1.5 in [5];
- "a=rtpmap:" according to clause 6 in [6];
- "a=fmtp:" according to clause 6 in [6].

The bandwidth field in SDP can be used to indicate to the PSS client the amount of bandwidth that is required for the session and the individual media in the presentation. Therefore, a PSS server should include the "b=AS:" field in the SDP (both on the session and media level) and a PSS client shall be able to interpret this field. The bandwidth value shall indicate maximum net rates of media streams without lower level packetisation overhead.

NOTE: The SDP parsers and/or interpreters shall ~~should~~ be able to accept NULL values in the 'c=' field (e.g. 0.0.0.0 in IPv4 case). This may happen when the media content does not have a fixed destination address. For more details, see Section C.1.7 of [5] and Section 6 of [6].

Annex A (informative): Protocols

A.1 SDP

This clause gives some background information on SDP for PSS clients.

Table A.1 provides an overview of the different SDP fields that can be identified in a SDP file. The order of SDP fields are mandated as specified in RFC 2327 [6].

Table A.1: Overview of fields in SDP for PSS clients

Type	Description		Requirement according to [6]	Requirement according to the present document
Session Description				
V	Protocol version		R	R
O	Owner/creator and session identifier		R	R
S	Session Name		R	R
I	Session information		O	O
U	URI of description		O	O
E	Email address		O	O
P	Phone number		O	O
C	Connection Information		R	R
B	Bandwidth information	AS	O	R
One or more Time Descriptions (See below)				
Z	Time zone adjustments		O	O
K	Encryption key		O	O
A	Session attributes	control	O	R
		range	O	R
One or more Media Descriptions (See below)				
Time Description				
T	Time the session is active		R	R
R	Repeat times		O	O
Media Description				
M	Media name and transport address		R	R
I	Media title		O	O
C	Connection information		R	R
B	Bandwidth information	AS	O	R
K	Encryption Key		O	O
A	Attribute Lines	control	O	R
		range	O	R
		fntp	O	R
		rtpmap	O	R
<p>Note 1: R = Required, O = Optional</p> <p>Note 2: The "c" type is only required on the session level if not present on the media level.</p> <p>Note 3: The "c" type is only required on the media level if not present on the session level.</p> <p>Note 4: According to RFC 2327, either an 'e' or 'p' field must be present in the SDP description. On the other hand, both fields will be made optional in the future release of SDP. So, for the sake of robustness and maximum interoperability, either an 'e' or 'p' field shall be present during the server's SDP file creation, but the client should also be ready to receive SDP content that does not have neither 'e' nor 'p' fields.</p>				

The example below shows an SDP file that could be sent to a PSS client to initiate unicast streaming of a H.263 video sequence.

EXAMPLE: v=0
o=ghost 2890844526 2890842807 IN IP4 192.168.10.10
s=3GPP Unicast SDP Example
i=Example of Unicast SDP file
u=http://www.infoserver.com/ae600
e=ghost@mailserver.com
c=IN IP4 0.0.0.0
b=AS:128
t=0 0

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a=range:npt=0-45.678
m=video 1024 RTP/AVP 96
b=AS:128
a=rtpmap:96 H263-2000/90000
a=fmtp:96 profile=3;level=10
a=control:rtsp://mediaserver.com/movie
a=recvonly
```

~~NOTE: The SDP parsers and/or interpreters should be able to accept NULL values in the 'c=' field (e.g. 0.0.0.0 in IPv4 case). This may happen when the media content does not have a fixed destination address. For more details, see Section C.1.7 of [5] and Section 6 of [6].~~

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Reason for change:	⌘ When TS 26.234 was approved and included in Release 4 it contained a reference to TS 26.235 for the definition of the AMR payload format. At that time TS 26.235 was also part of Release 4. Later TS 26.235 was moved to Release 5, which meant that TS 26.234 Release 4 contained a reference to a Release 5 document. This CR corrects this by removing the reference and instead moving the definition of the payload format into a new Annex E.
Summary of change:	⌘ The reference to TS 26.235 is removed. A new Annex with the definition of the AMR payload format is added.
Consequences if not approved:	⌘ TS 26.234 Release 4 will have a reference to a Release 5 specification

Clauses affected:	⌘ Clause 2, 5.4, 6.2, D.1 and new Annex E	
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5.4 MIME media types

For continuous media (speech, audio and video) the following MIME media types shall be used:

- AMR narrow band speech codec (see clause 7.2) MIME media type as defined in [11];
- AMR wide band speech codec (see clause 7.2) MIME media type as defined in [11+2];
- MPEG-4 AAC audio codec (see clause 7.3) MIME media type as defined in RFC 3016 [13].
- MPEG-4 video codec (see clause 7.4) MIME media type as defined in RFC 3016 [13];
- H.263 [22] video codec (see clause 7.4) MIME media type as defined in annex C, clause C.1 of the present document.

MIME media types for JPEG, GIF and XHTML can be used both in the "Content-type" field in HTTP and in the "type" attribute in SMIL 2.0. The following MIME media types shall be used for these media:

- JPEG (see clause 7.5) MIME media type as defined in [15];
- GIF (see clause 7.6) MIME media type as defined in [15];
- XHTML (see clause 7.8) MIME media type as defined in annex C clause C.2 of the present document.

MIME media type used for SMIL files shall be according to [31] and for SDP files according to [6].

6.2 RTP over UDP/IP

The IETF RTP [9] and [10] provides a means for sending real-time or streaming data over UDP (see [7]). The encoded media is encapsulated in the RTP packets with media specific RTP payload formats. RTP payload formats are defined by IETF. RTP also provides a protocol called RTCP (see clause 6 in [9]) for feedback about the transmission quality.

RTP/UDP/IP transport of continuous media (speech ,audio and video) shall be supported.

For RTP/UDP/IP transport of continuous media the following RTP payload formats shall be used:

- AMR narrow band speech codec (see clause 7.2) RTP payload format according to [11]. [A PSS client is not required to support multi-channel sessions](#);
- AMR wide band speech codec (see clause 7.2) RTP payload format according to ~~[11]~~. [A PSS client is not required to support multi-channel sessions](#);
- MPEG-4 AAC audio codec (see clause 7.3) RTP payload format according to RFC 3016 [13];
- MPEG-4 video codec (see clause 7.4) RTP payload format according to RFC 3016 [13];
- H.263 [22] video codec (see clause 7.4) RTP payload format according to RFC 2429 [14];

D.1 General

The purpose of this annex is to define the necessary structure for integration of the H.263, AMR and AMR-WB media specific information in an MP4 file. Clauses D.2 to D.4 give some background information about the Sample Description atom, VisualSampleEntry atom and the AudioSampleEntry atom in the MPEG-4 file format. Then, the definitions of the SampleEntry atoms for AMR, AMR-WB and H.263 are given in clauses D.5 to D.8.

AMR and AMR-WB data is stored in the stream according to [the AMR and AMR-WB storage format for single channel header of \[11\]](#), ~~clause B.5.2 of [11]~~, without the AMR magic numbers.

Annex E (normative): RTP payload format and file storage format for AMR and AMR-WB audio

This section specifies the AMR and AMR-WB speech codec RTP payload, storage format and MIME type registration. It is identical to "draft-ietf-avt-rtp-amr-12.txt". All references in the text in this Annex refer to the reference list in the end of the Annex.

NOTE: The intention is to replace this normative annex with the IETF RFC defining the AMR and AMR-WB RTP payload and MIME media type registration when the RFC is available.

E.1. Introduction

This document specifies the payload format for packetization of AMR and AMR-WB encoded speech signals into the Real-time Transport Protocol (RTP) [8]. The payload format supports transmission of multiple channels, multiple frames per payload, the use of fast codec mode adaptation, robustness against packet loss and bit errors, and interoperation with existing AMR and AMR-WB transport formats on non-IP networks, as described in Section E.3.

The payload format itself is specified in Section E.4. A related file format is specified in Section E.5 for transport of AMR and AMR-WB speech data in storage mode applications such as email. In Section E.8, two separate MIME type registrations are provided, one for AMR and one for AMR-WB.

Even though this RTP payload format definition supports the transport of both AMR and AMR-WB speech, it is important to remember that AMR and AMR-WB are two different codecs and they are always handled as different payload types in RTP.

E.2. Conventions and Acronyms

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in RFC2119 [5].

The following acronyms are used in this document:

3GPP - the Third Generation Partnership Project

AMR - Adaptive Multi-Rate Codec

AMR-WB - Adaptive Multi-Rate Wideband Codec

CMR - Codec Mode Request

CN - Comfort Noise

DTX - Discontinuous Transmission

ETSI - European Telecommunications Standards Institute

FEC - Forward Error Correction

SCR - Source Controlled Rate Operation

SID - Silence Indicator (the frames containing only CN parameters)

VAD - Voice Activity Detection

UED - Unequal Error Detection

UEP - Unequal Error Protection

The term "frame-block" is used in this document to describe the time-synchronized set of speech frames in a multi-channel AMR or AMR-WB session. In particular, in an N-channel session, a frame-block will contain N speech frames, one from each of the channels, and all N speech frames represents exactly the same time period.

E.3. Background on AMR/AMR-WB and Design Principles

AMR and AMR-WB were originally designed for circuit-switched mobile radio systems. Due to their flexibility and robustness, they are also suitable for other real-time speech communication services over packet-switched networks such as the Internet.

Because of the flexibility of these codecs, the behavior in a particular application is controlled by several parameters that select options or specify the acceptable values for a variable. These options and variables are described in general terms at appropriate points in the text of this specification as parameters to be established through out-of-band means. In Section E.8, all of the parameters are specified in the form of MIME subtype registrations for the AMR and AMR-WB encodings. The method used to signal these parameters at session setup or to arrange prior agreement of the participants is beyond the scope of this document; however, Section E.8.3 provides a mapping of the parameters into the Session Description Protocol (SDP) [11] for those applications that use SDP.

E.3.1. The Adaptive Multi-Rate (AMR) Speech Codec

The AMR codecs was originally developed and standardized by the European Telecommunications Standards Institute (ETSI) for GSM cellular systems. It is now chosen by the Third Generation Partnership Project (3GPP) as the mandatory codec for third generation (3G) cellular systems [1].

The AMR codec is a multi-mode codec that supports 8 narrow band speech encoding modes with bit rates between 4.75 and 12.2 kbps. The sampling frequency used in AMR is 8000 Hz and the speech encoding is performed on 20 ms speech frames. Therefore, each encoded AMR speech frame represents 160 samples of the original speech.

Among the 8 AMR encoding modes, three are already separately adopted as standards of their own. Particularly, the 6.7 kbps mode is adopted as PDC-EFR [14], the 7.4 kbps mode as IS-641 codec in TDMA [13], and the 12.2 kbps mode as GSM-EFR [12].

E.3.2. The Adaptive Multi-Rate Wideband (AMR-WB) Speech Codec

The Adaptive Multi-Rate Wideband (AMR-WB) speech codec [3] was originally developed by 3GPP to be used in GSM and 3G cellular systems.

Similar to AMR, the AMR-WB codec is also a multi-mode speech codec. AMR-WB supports 9 wide band speech coding modes with respective bit rates ranging from 6.6 to 23.85 kbps. The sampling frequency used in AMR-WB is 16000 Hz and the speech processing is performed on 20 ms frames. This means that each AMR-WB encoded frame represents 320 speech samples.

E.3.3. Multi-rate Encoding and Mode Adaptation

The multi-rate encoding (i.e., multi-mode) capability of AMR and AMR-WB is designed for preserving high speech quality under a wide range of transmission conditions.

With AMR or AMR-WB, mobile radio systems are able to use available bandwidth as effectively as possible. E.g. in GSM it is possible to dynamically adjust the speech encoding rate during a session so as to continuously adapt to the varying transmission conditions by dividing the fixed overall bandwidth between speech data and error protective coding to enable best possible trade-off between speech compression rate and error tolerance. To perform mode adaptation, the decoder (speech receiver) needs to signal the encoder (speech sender) the new mode it prefers. This mode change signal is called Codec Mode Request or CMR.

Since in most sessions speech is sent in both directions between the two ends, the mode requests from the decoder at one end to the encoder at the other end are piggy-backed over the speech frames in the reverse direction. In other words, there is no out-of-band signaling needed for sending CMRs.

Every AMR or AMR-WB codec implementation is required to support all the respective speech coding modes defined by the codec and must be able to handle mode switching to any of the modes at any time. However, some transport systems may impose limitations in the number of modes supported and how often the mode can change due to bandwidth limitations or other constraints. For this reason, the decoder is allowed to indicate its acceptance of a particular mode or a subset of the defined modes for the session using out-of-band means.

For example, the GSM radio link can only use a subset of at most four different modes in a given session. This subset can be any combination of the 8 AMR modes for an AMR session or any combination of the 9 AMR-WB modes for an AMR-WB session.

Moreover, for better interoperability with GSM through a gateway, the decoder is allowed to use out-of-band means to set the minimum number of frames between two mode changes and to limit the mode change among neighboring modes only.

Section E.8 specifies a set of MIME parameters that may be used to signal these mode adaptation controls at session setup.

E.3.4. Voice Activity Detection and Discontinuous Transmission

Both codecs support voice activity detection (VAD) and generation of comfort noise (CN) parameters during silence periods. Hence, the codecs have the option to reduce the number of transmitted bits and packets during silence periods to a minimum. The operation of sending CN parameters at regular intervals during silence periods is usually called discontinuous transmission (DTX) or source controlled rate (SCR) operation. The AMR or AMR-WB frames containing CN parameters are called Silence Indicator (SID) frames. See more details about VAD and DTX functionality in [9] and [10].

E.3.5. Support for Multi-Channel Session

Both the RTP payload format and the storage format defined in this document support multi-channel audio content (e.g., a stereophonic speech session).

Although AMR and AMR-WB codecs themselves do not support encoding of multi-channel audio content into a single bit stream, they can be used to separately encode and decode each of the individual channels.

To transport (or store) the separately encoded multi-channel content, the speech frames for all channels that are framed and encoded for the same 20 ms periods are logically collected in a frame-block.

At the session setup, out-of-band signaling, e.g., using the rtpmap attribute in SDP, must be used to indicate the number of channels in the session and the order of the speech frames from different channels in each frame-block.

When using SDP for signaling, the number and order of channels carried in each frame-block are specified in Section 4.1 in [24].

E.3.6. Unequal Bit-error Detection and Protection

The speech bits encoded in each AMR or AMR-WB frame have different perceptual sensitivity to bit errors. This property has been exploited in cellular systems to achieve better voice quality by using unequal error protection and detection (UEP and UED) mechanisms.

The UEP/UED mechanisms focus the protection and detection of corrupted bits to the perceptually most sensitive bits in an AMR or AMR-WB frame. In particular, speech bits in an AMR or AMR-WB frame are divided into class A, B, and C, where bits in class A are most sensitive and bits in class C least sensitive (see Table E.1 below for AMR and [4] for AMR-WB). A frame is only declared damaged if there are bit errors found in the most sensitive bits, i.e., the class A bits. On the other hand, it is acceptable to have some bit errors in the other bits, i.e., class B and C bits.

		Class A	total speech
Index	Mode	bits	bits

0	AMR 4.75	42		95
1	AMR 5.15	49		103
2	AMR 5.9	55		118
3	AMR 6.7	58		134
4	AMR 7.4	61		148
5	AMR 7.95	75		159
6	AMR 10.2	65		204
7	AMR 12.2	81		244
8	AMR SID	39		39

Table E.1. The number of class A bits for the AMR codec.

Moreover, a damaged frame is still useful for error concealment at the decoder since some of the less sensitive bits can still be used. This approach can improve the speech quality compared to discarding the damaged frame.

E.3.6.1. Applying UEP and UED in an IP Network

To take full advantage of the bit-error robustness of the AMR and AMR-WB codec, the RTP payload format is designed to facilitate UEP/UED in an IP network. It should be noted however that the utilization of UEP and UED discussed below is OPTIONAL.

UEP/UED in an IP network can be achieved by detecting bit errors in class A bits and tolerating bit errors in class B/C bits of the AMR or AMR-WB frame(s) in each RTP payload.

Today there exist some link layers that do not discard packets with bit errors, e.g. SLIP and some wireless links. With the Internet traffic pattern shifting towards a more multimedia-centric one, more link layers of such nature may emerge in the future. With transport layer support for partial checksums, for example those supported by UDP-Lite [15] (work in progress), bit error tolerant AMR and AMR-WB traffic could achieve better performance over these types of links.

There are at least two basic approaches for carrying AMR and AMR-WB traffic over bit error tolerant IP networks:

1) Utilizing a partial checksum to cover headers and the most important speech bits of the payload. It is recommended that at least all class A bits are covered by the checksum.

2) Utilizing a partial checksum to only cover headers, but a frame CRC to cover the class A bits of each speech frame in the RTP payload.

In either approach, at least part of the class B/C bits are left without error-check and thus bit error tolerance is achieved.

Note, it is still important that the network designer pay attention to the class B and C residual bit error rate. Though less sensitive to errors than class A bits, class B and C bits are not insignificant and undetected errors in these bits cause degradation in speech quality. An example of residual error rates considered acceptable for AMR in UMTS can be found in [20] and for AMR-WB in [21].

The application interface to the UEP/UED transport protocol (e.g., UDP-Lite) may not provide any control over the link error rate, especially in a gateway scenario. Therefore, it is incumbent upon the designer of a node with a link interface of this type to choose a residual bit error rate that is low enough to support applications such as AMR encoding when transmitting packets of a UEP/UED transport protocol.

Approach 1 is a bit efficient, flexible and simple way, but comes with two disadvantages, namely, a) bit errors in protected speech bits will cause the payload to be discarded, and b) when transporting multiple frames in a payload there is the possibility that a single bit error in protected bits will cause all the frames to be discarded.

These disadvantages can be avoided, if needed, with some overhead in the form of a frame-wise CRC (Approach 2). In problem a), the CRC makes it possible to detect bit errors in class A bits and use the frame for error concealment, which gives a small improvement in speech quality. For b), when transporting multiple frames in a payload, the CRCs remove the possibility that a single bit error in a class A bit will cause all the frames to be discarded. Avoiding that gives an improvement in speech quality when transporting multiple frames over links subject to bit errors.

The choice between the above two approaches must be made based on the available bandwidth, and desired tolerance to bit errors. Neither solution is appropriate to all cases. Section E.8 defines parameters that may be used at session setup to select between these approaches.

E.3.7. Robustness against Packet Loss

The payload format supports several means, including forward error correction (FEC) and frame interleaving, to increase robustness against packet loss.

E.3.7.1. Use of Forward Error Correction (FEC)

The simple scheme of repetition of previously sent data is one way of achieving FEC. Another possible scheme which is more bandwidth efficient is to use payload external FEC, e.g., RFC2733 [19], which generates extra packets containing repair data. The whole payload can also be sorted in sensitivity order to support external FEC schemes using UEP. There is also a work in progress on a generic version of such a scheme [18] that can be applied to AMR or AMR-WB payload transport.

With AMR or AMR-WB, it is possible to use the multi-rate capability of the codec to send redundant copies of the same mode or of another mode, e.g. one with lower-bandwidth. We describe such a scheme next.

This involves the simple retransmission of previously transmitted frame-blocks together with the current frame-block(s). This is done by using a sliding window to group the speech frame-blocks to send in each payload. Figure E.1 below shows us an example.

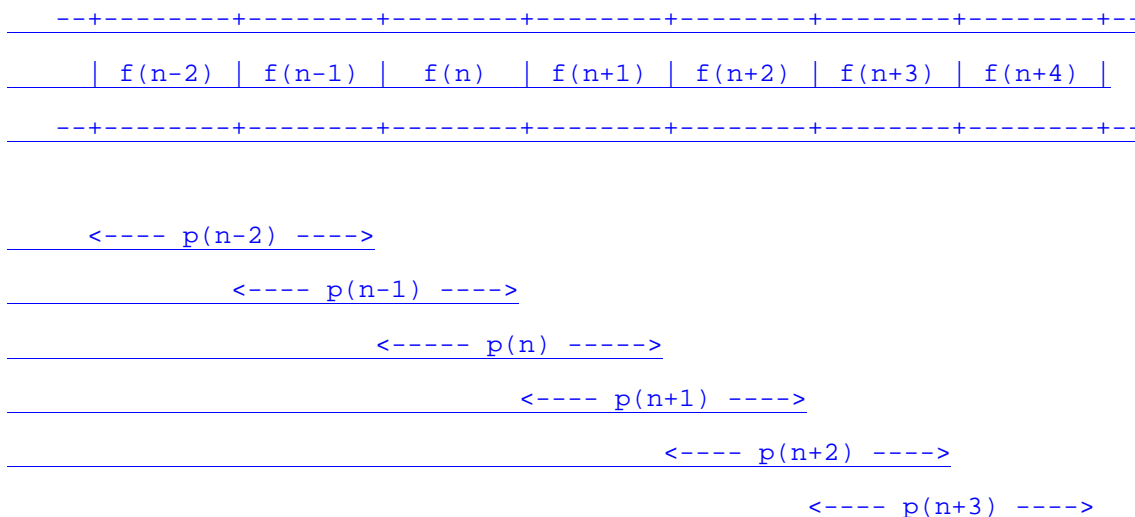


Figure E.1: An example of redundant transmission.

In this example each frame-block is retransmitted one time in the following RTP payload packet. Here, $f(n-2)..f(n+4)$ denotes a sequence of speech frame-blocks and $p(n-2)..p(n+3)$ a sequence of payload packets.

The use of this approach does not require signaling at the session setup. In other words, the speech sender can choose to use this scheme without consulting the receiver. This is because a packet containing redundant frames will not look different from a packet with only new frames. The receiver may receive multiple copies or versions (encoded with different modes) of a frame for a certain timestamp if no packet is lost. If multiple versions of the same speech frame are received, it is recommended that the mode with the highest rate be used by the speech decoder.

This redundancy scheme provides the same functionality as the one described in RFC 2198 "RTP Payload for Redundant Audio Data" [24]. In most cases the mechanism in this payload format is more efficient and simpler than requiring both endpoints to support RFC 2198 in addition. There are two situations in which use of RFC 2198 is indicated: if the spread in time required between the primary and redundant encodings is larger than 5 frame times, the bandwidth overhead of RFC 2198 will be lower; or, if a non-AMR codec is desired for the redundant encoding, the AMR payload format won't be able to carry it.

The sender is responsible for selecting an appropriate amount of redundancy based on feedback about the channel, e.g. in RTCP receiver reports. A sender should not base selection of FEC on the CMR, as this parameter most probably was set based on none-IP information, e.g. radio link performance measures. The sender is also responsible for avoiding congestion, which may be exacerbated by redundancy (see Section E.6 for more details).

E.3.7.2. Use of Frame Interleaving

To decrease protocol overhead, the payload design allows several speech frame-blocks be encapsulated into a single RTP packet. One of the drawbacks of such approach is that in case of packet loss this means loss of several consecutive speech frame-blocks, which usually causes clearly audible distortion in the reconstructed speech. Interleaving of frame-blocks can improve the speech quality in such cases by distributing the consecutive losses into a series of single frame-block losses. However, interleaving and bundling several frame-blocks per payload will also increase end-to-end delay and is therefore not appropriate for all types of applications. Streaming applications will most likely be able to exploit interleaving to improve speech quality in lossy transmission conditions.

This payload design supports the use of frame interleaving as an option. For the encoder (speech sender) to use frame interleaving in its outbound RTP packets for a given session, the decoder (speech receiver) needs to indicate its support via out-of-band means (see Section E.8).

E.3.8. Bandwidth Efficient or Octet-aligned Mode

For a given session, the payload format can be either bandwidth efficient or octet aligned, depending on the mode of operation that is established for the session via out-of-band means.

In the octet-aligned format, all the fields in a payload, including payload header, table of contents entries, and speech frames themselves, are individually aligned to octet boundaries to make implementations efficient. In the bandwidth efficient format only the full payload is octet aligned, so fewer padding bits are added.

Note, octet alignment of a field or payload means that the last octet is padded with zeroes in the least significant bits to fill the octet. Also note that this padding is separate from padding indicated by the P bit in the RTP header.

Between the two operation modes, only the octet-aligned mode has the capability to use the robust sorting, interleaving, and frame CRC to make the speech transport robust to packet loss and bit errors.

E.3.9. AMR or AMR-WB Speech over IP scenarios

The primary scenario for this payload format is IP end-to-end between two terminals, as shown in Figure E.2. This payload format is expected to be useful for both conversational and streaming services.

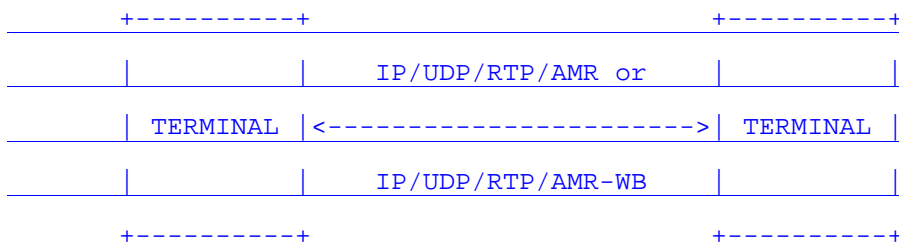


Figure E.2: IP terminal to IP terminal scenario

A conversational service puts requirements on the payload format. Low delay is one very important factor, i.e. few speech frame-blocks per payload packet. Low overhead is also required when the payload format traverses low bandwidth links, especially as the frequency of packets will be high. For low bandwidth links it also an advantage to support UED which allows a link provider to reduce delay and packet loss or to reduce the utilization of link resources.

Streaming service has less strict real-time requirements and therefore can use a larger number of frame-blocks per packet than conversational service. This reduces the overhead from IP, UDP, and RTP headers. However, including several frame-blocks per packet makes the transmission more vulnerable to packet loss, so interleaving may be used to reduce the effect packet loss will have on speech quality. A streaming server handling a large number of clients also needs a payload format that requires as few resources as possible when doing packetization. The octet-aligned and interleaving modes require the least amount of resources, while CRC, robust sorting, and bandwidth efficient modes have higher demands.

Another scenario occurs when AMR or AMR-WB encoded speech will be transmitted from a non-IP system (e.g., a GSM or 3GPP network) to an IP/UDP/RTP VoIP terminal, and/or vice versa, as depicted in Figure E.3.

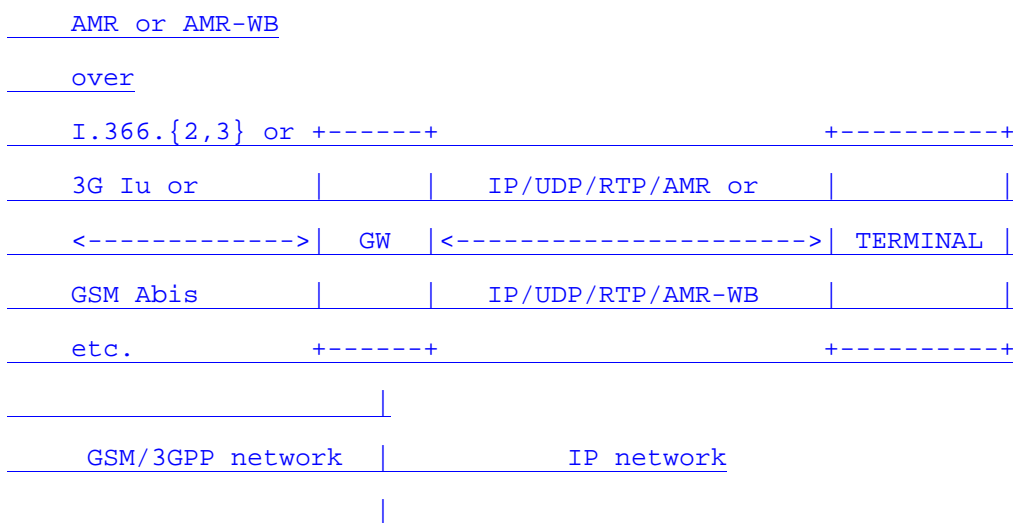


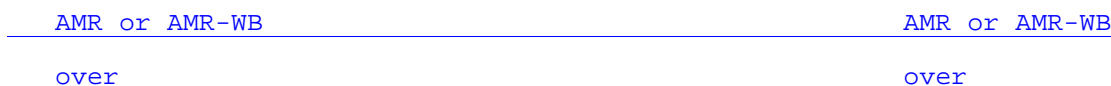
Figure E.3: GW to VoIP terminal scenario

In such a case, it is likely that the AMR or AMR-WB frame is packetized in a different way in the non-IP network and will need to be re-packetized into RTP at the gateway. Also, speech frames from the non-IP network may come with some UEP/UED information (e.g., a frame quality indicator) that will need to be preserved and forwarded on to the decoder along with the speech bits. This is specified in Section E.4.3.2.

AMR's capability to do fast mode switching is exploited in some non-IP networks to optimize speech quality. To preserve this functionality in scenarios including a gateway to an IP network, a codec mode request (CMR) field is needed. The gateway will be responsible for forwarding the CMR between the non-IP and IP parts in both directions. The IP terminal should follow the CMR forwarded by the gateway to optimize speech quality going to the non-IP decoder. The mode control algorithm in the gateway must accommodate the delay imposed by the IP network on the response to CMR by the IP terminal.

The IP terminal should not set the CMR (see Section E.4.3.1), but the gateway can set the CMR value on frames going toward the encoder in the non-IP part to optimize speech quality from that encoder to the gateway. The gateway can alternatively set a lower CMR value, if desired, as one means to control congestion on the IP network.

A third likely scenario is that IP/UDP/RTP is used as transport between two non-IP systems, i.e., IP is originated and terminated in gateways on both sides of the IP transport, as illustrated in Figure E.4 below.



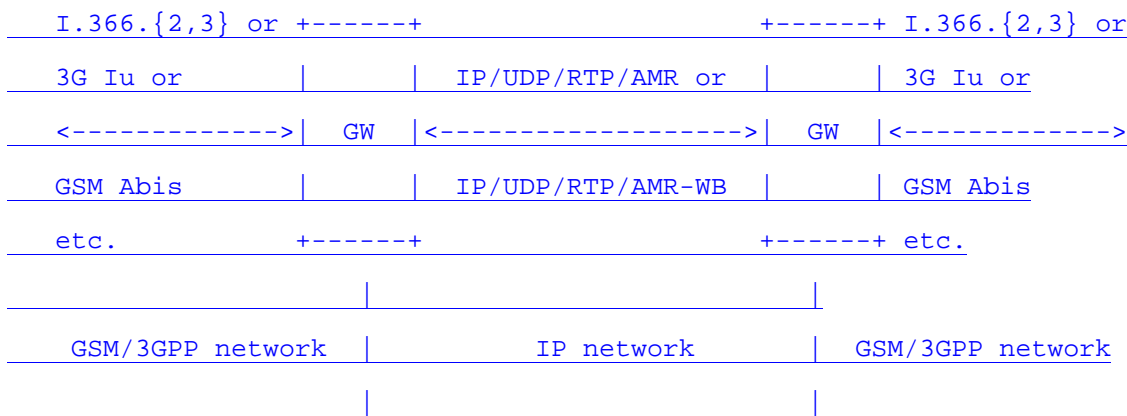


Figure E.4: GW to GW scenario

This scenario requires the same mechanisms for preserving UED/UEP and CMR information as in the single gateway scenario. In addition, the CMR value may be set in packets received by the gateways on the IP network side. The gateway should forward to the non-IP side a CMR value that is the minimum of three values:

- the CMR value it receives on the IP side;
- the CMR value it calculates based on its reception quality on the non-IP side; and
- a CMR value it may choose for congestion control of transmission on the IP side.

The details of the control algorithm are left to the implementation.

E.4. AMR and AMR-WB RTP Payload Formats

The AMR and AMR-WB payload formats have identical structure, so they are specified together. The only differences are in the types of codec frames contained in the payload. The payload format consists of the RTP header, payload header and payload data.

E.4.1. RTP Header Usage

The format of the RTP header is specified in [8]. This payload format uses the fields of the header in a manner consistent with that specification.

The RTP timestamp corresponds to the sampling instant of the first sample encoded for the first frame-block in the packet. The timestamp clock frequency is the same as the sampling frequency, so the timestamp unit is in samples.

The duration of one speech frame-block is 20 ms for both AMR and AMR-WB. For AMR, the sampling frequency is 8 kHz, corresponding to 160 encoded speech samples per frame from each channel. For AMR-WB, the sampling frequency is 16 kHz, corresponding to 320 samples per frame from each channel. Thus, the timestamp is increased by 160 for AMR and 320 for AMR-WB for each consecutive frame-block.

A packet may contain multiple frame-blocks of encoded speech or comfort noise parameters. If interleaving is employed, the frame-blocks encapsulated into a payload are picked according to the interleaving rules as defined in Section E.4.4.1. Otherwise, each packet covers a period of one or more contiguous 20 ms frame-block intervals. In case the data from all the channels for a particular frame-block in the period is missing, for example at a gateway from some other transport format, it is possible to indicate that no data is present for that frame-block rather than breaking a multi-frame-block packet into two, as explained in Section E.4.3.2.

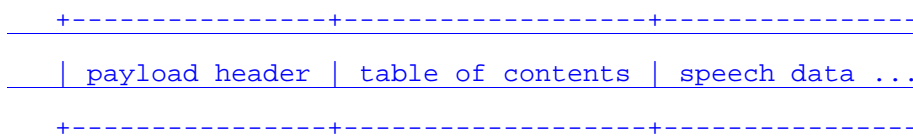
To allow for error resiliency through redundant transmission, the periods covered by multiple packets MAY overlap in time. A receiver MUST be prepared to receive any speech frame multiple times, either in exact duplicates, or in different AMR rate modes, or with data present in one packet and not present in another. If multiple versions of the same speech frame are received, it is RECOMMENDED that the mode with the highest rate be used by the speech decoder. A given frame MUST NOT be encoded as speech in one packet and comfort noise parameters in another.

The payload is always made an integral number of octets long by padding with zero bits if necessary. If additional padding is required to bring the payload length to a larger multiple of octets or for some other purpose, then the P bit in the RTP in the header may be set and padding appended as specified in [8]. The RTP header marker bit (M) SHALL be set to 1 if the first frame-block carried in the packet contains a speech frame which is the first in a talkspurt. For all other packets the marker bit SHALL be set to zero (M=0).

The assignment of an RTP payload type for this new packet format is outside the scope of this document, and will not be specified here. It is expected that the RTP profile under which this payload format is being used will assign a payload type for this encoding or specify that the payload type is to be bound dynamically.

E.4.2. Payload Structure

The complete payload consists of a payload header, a payload table of contents, and speech data representing one or more speech frame-blocks. The following diagram shows the general payload format layout:



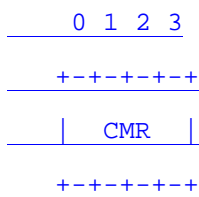
Payloads containing more than one speech frame-block are called compound payloads.

The following sections describe the variations taken by the payload format depending on whether the AMR session is set up to use the bandwidth-efficient mode or octet-aligned mode and any of the OPTIONAL functions for robust sorting, interleaving, and frame CRCs. Implementations SHOULD support both bandwidth-efficient and octet-aligned operation to increase interoperability.

E.4.3. Bandwidth-Efficient Mode

E.4.3.1. The Payload Header

In bandwidth-efficient mode, the payload header simply consists of a 4 bit codec mode request:



CMR (4 bits): Indicates a codec mode request sent to the speech encoder at the site of the receiver of this payload. The value of the CMR field is set to the frame type index of the corresponding speech mode being requested. The frame type index may be 0-7 for AMR, as defined in Table 1a in [2], or 0-8 for AMR-WB, as defined in Table 1a in [4]. CMR value 15 indicates that no mode request is present, and other values are for future use.

The mode request received in the CMR field is valid until the next CMR is received, i.e. a newly received CMR value overrides the previous one. Therefore, if a terminal continuously wishes to receive frames in the same mode X, it needs to set CMR=X for all its outbound payloads, and if a terminal has no preference in which mode to receive, it SHOULD set CMR=15 in all its outbound payloads.

If receiving a payload with a CMR value which is not a speech mode or NO_DATA, the CMR MUST be ignored by the receiver.

In a multi-channel session, CMR SHOULD be interpreted by the receiver of the payload as the desired encoding mode for all the channels in the session.

An IP end-point SHOULD NOT set the CMR based on packet losses or other congestion indications, for several reasons:

- The other end of the IP path may be a gateway to a non-IP network (such as a radio link) that needs to set the CMR field to optimize performance on that network.

- Congestion on the IP network is managed by the IP sender, in this case at the other end of the IP path. Feedback about congestion SHOULD be provided to that IP sender through RTCP or other means, and then the sender can choose to avoid congestion using the most appropriate mechanism. That may include adjusting the codec mode, but also includes adjusting the level of redundancy or number of frames per packet.

The encoder SHOULD follow a received mode request, but MAY change to a lower-numbered mode if it so chooses, for example to control congestion.

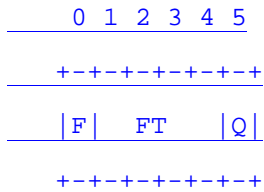
The CMR field MUST be set to 15 for packets sent to a multicast group. The encoder in the speech sender SHOULD ignore mode requests when sending speech to a multicast session but MAY use RTCP feedback information as a hint that a mode change is needed.

The codec mode selection MAY be restricted by a session parameter to a subset of the available modes. If so, the requested mode MUST be among the signalled subset (see Section E.8).

E.4.3.2. The Payload Table of Contents

The table of contents (ToC) consists of a list of ToC entries, each representing a speech frame.

In bandwidth-efficient mode, a ToC entry takes the following format:



F (1 bit): If set to 1, indicates that this frame is followed by another speech frame in this payload; if set to 0, indicates that this frame is the last frame in this payload.

FT (4 bits): Frame type index, indicating either the AMR or AMR-WB speech coding mode or comfort noise (SID) mode of the corresponding frame carried in this payload.

The value of FT is defined in Table 1a in [2] for AMR and in Table 1a in [4] for AMR-WB. FT=14 (SPEECH_LOST, only available for AMR-WB) and FT=15 (NO_DATA) are used to indicate frames that are either lost or not being transmitted in this payload, respectively.

NO_DATA (FT=15) frame could mean either that there is no data produced by the speech encoder for that frame or that no data for that frame is transmitted in the current payload (i.e., valid data for that frame could be sent in either an earlier or later packet).

If receiving a ToC entry with a FT value in the range 9-14 for AMR or 10-13 for AMR-WB the whole packet SHOULD be discarded. This is to avoid the loss of data synchronization in the depacketization process, which can result in a huge degradation in speech quality.

Note that packets containing only NO_DATA frames SHOULD NOT be transmitted. Also, frame-blocks containing only NO_DATA frames at the end of a packet SHOULD NOT be transmitted, except in the case of interleaving. The AMR SCR/DTX is described in [6] and AMR-WB SCR/DTX in [7].

The extra comfort noise frame types specified in table 1a in [2] (i.e., GSM-EFR CN, IS-641 CN, and PDC-EFR CN) MUST NOT be used in this payload format because the standardized AMR codec is only required to implement the general AMR SID frame type and not those that are native to the incorporated encodings.

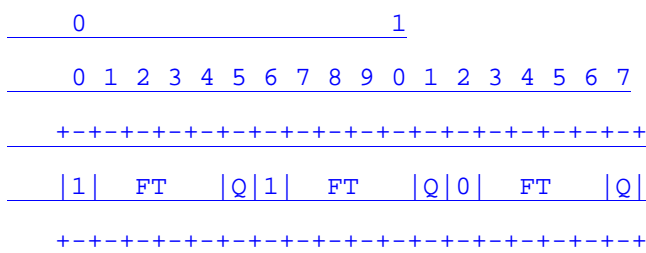
Q (1 bit): Frame quality indicator. If set to 0, indicates the corresponding frame is severely damaged and the receiver should set the RX_TYPE (see [6]) to either SPEECH_BAD or SID_BAD depending on the frame type (FT).

The frame quality indicator is included for interoperability with the ATM payload format described in ITU-T I.366.2, the UMTS Iu interface [16], as well as other transport formats. The frame quality indicator enables damaged frames to be forwarded to the speech decoder for error concealment. This can improve the speech quality comparing to dropping the damaged frames. See Section E.4.4.2.1 for more details.

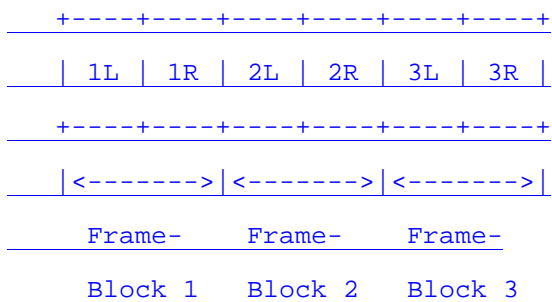
For multi-channel sessions, the ToC entries of all frames from a frame-block are placed in the ToC in consecutive order as defined in Section 4.1 in [24]. When multiple frame-blocks are present in a packet in bandwidth-efficient mode, they will be placed in the packet in order of their creation time.

Therefore, with N channels and K speech frame-blocks in a packet, there MUST be N*K entries in the ToC, and the first N entries will be from the first frame-block, the second N entries will be from the second frame-block, and so on.

The following figure shows an example of a ToC of three entries in a single channel session using bandwidth efficient mode.



Below is an example of how the ToC entries will appear in the ToC of a packet carrying 3 consecutive frame-blocks in a session with two channels (L and R).



E.4.3.3 Speech Data

Speech data of a payload contains one or more speech frames or comfort noise frames, as described in the ToC of the payload.

Note, for ToC entries with FT=14 or 15, there will be no corresponding speech frame present in the speech data.

Each speech frame represents 20 ms of speech encoded with the mode indicated in the FT field of the corresponding ToC entry. The length of the speech frame is implicitly defined by the mode indicated in the FT field. The order and numbering notation of the bits are as specified for Interface Format 1 (IF1) in [2] for AMR and [4] for AMR-WB. As specified there, the bits of speech frames have been rearranged in order of decreasing sensitivity, while the bits of comfort noise frames are in the order produced by the encoder. The resulting bit sequence for a frame of length K bits is denoted d(0), d(1), ..., d(K-1).

E.4.3.4. Algorithm for Forming the Payload

The complete RTP payload in bandwidth-efficient mode is formed by packing bits from the payload header, table of contents, and speech frames, in order as defined by their corresponding ToC entries in the ToC list, contiguously into octets beginning with the most significant bits of the fields and the octets.

To be precise, the four-bit payload header is packed into the first octet of the payload with bit 0 of the payload header in the most significant bit of the octet. The four most significant bits (numbered 0-3) of the first ToC entry are packed into the least significant bits of the octet, ending with bit 3 in the least significant bit. Packing continues in the second octet with bit 4 of the first ToC entry in the most significant bit of the octet. If more than one frame is contained in the payload, then packing continues with the second and successive ToC entries. Bit 0 of the first data frame follows immediately after the last ToC bit, proceeding through all the bits of the frame in numerical order.

Bits from any successive frames follow contiguously in numerical order for each frame and in consecutive order of the frames.

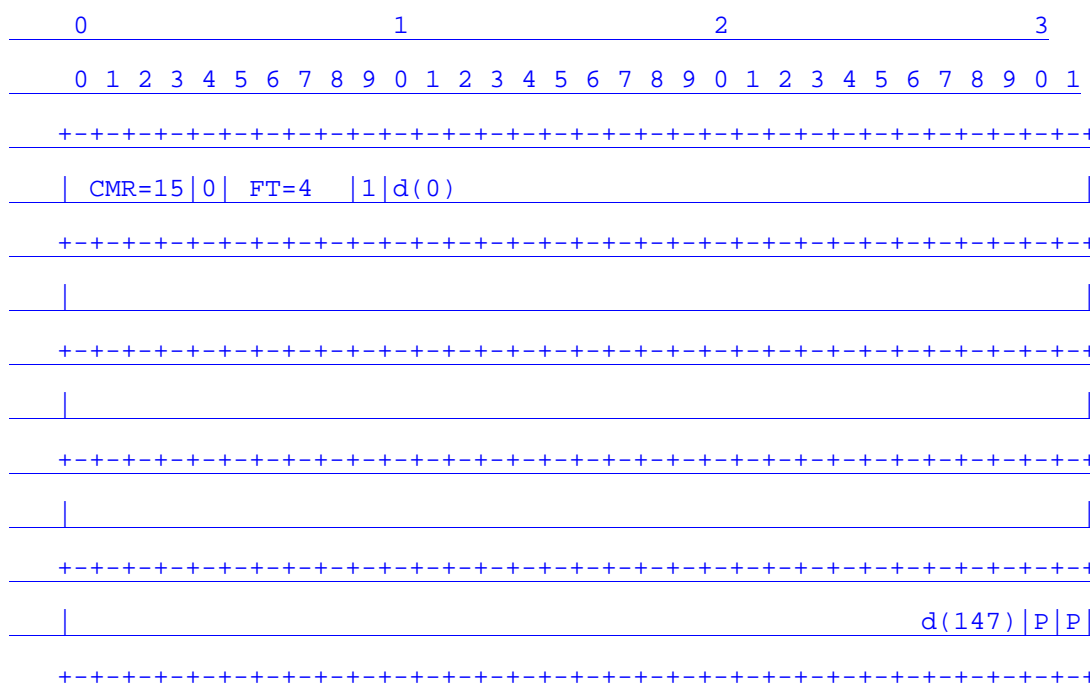
If speech data is missing for one or more speech frame within the sequence, because of, for example, DTX, a ToC entry with FT set to NO_DATA SHALL be included in the ToC for each of the missing frames, but no data bits are included in the payload for the missing frame (see Section E.4.3.5.2 for an example).

E.4.3.5. Payload Examples

E.4.3.5.1. Single Channel Payload Carrying a Single Frame

The following diagram shows a bandwidth-efficient AMR payload from a single channel session carrying a single speech frame-block.

In the payload, no specific mode is requested (CMR=15), the speech frame is not damaged at the IP origin (Q=1), and the coding mode is AMR 7.4 kbps (FT=4). The encoded speech bits, d(0) to d(147), are arranged in descending sensitivity order according to [2]. Finally, two zero bits are added to the end as padding to make the payload octet aligned.



E.4.3.5.2. Single Channel Payload Carrying Multiple Frames

The following diagram shows a single channel, bandwidth efficient compound AMR-WB payload that contains four frames, of which one has no speech data. The first frame is a speech frame at 6.6 kbps mode (FT=0) that is composed of speech bits d(0) to d(131). The second frame is an AMR-WB SID frame (FT=9), consisting of bits g(0) to g(39). The third frame is NO_DATA frame and does not carry any speech information, it is represented in the payload by its ToC entry. The fourth frame in the payload is a speech frame at 8.85 kbps mode (FT=1), it consists of speech bits h(0) to h(176).

As shown below, the payload carries a mode request for the encoder on the receiver's side to change its future coding mode to AMR-WB 8.85 kbps (CMR=1). None of the frames is damaged at IP origin (Q=1). The encoded speech and SID bits, d(0) to d(131), g(0) to g(39) and h(0) to h(176), are arranged in the payload in descending sensitivity order according to [4]. (Note, no speech bits are present for the third frame). Finally, seven 0s are padded to the end to make the payload octet aligned.



E.4.3.5.3. Multi-Channel Payload Carrying Multiple Frames

The following diagram shows a two channel payload carrying 3 frame-blocks, i.e. the payload will contain 6 speech frames.

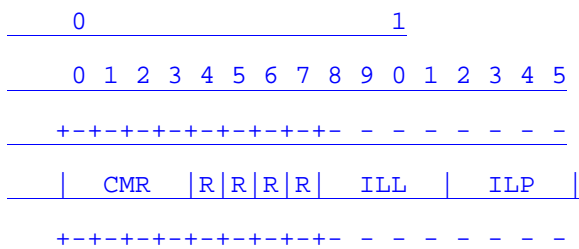
In the payload all speech frames contain the same mode 7.4 kbit/s (FT=4) and are not damaged at IP origin. The CMR is set to 15, i.e., no specific mode is requested. The two channels are defined as left (L) and right (R) in that order. The encoded speech bits is designated dXY(0).. dXY(K-1), where X = block number, Y = channel, and K is the number of speech bits for that mode. Exemplifying this, for frame-block 1 of the left channel the encoded bits are designated as d1L(0) to d1L(147).



E.4.4. Octet-aligned Mode

E.4.4.1. The Payload Header

In octet-aligned mode, the payload header consists of a 4 bit CMR, 4 reserved bits, and optionally, an 8 bit interleaving header, as shown below:



CMR (4 bits): same as defined in section E.4.3.1.

R: is a reserved bit that MUST be set to zero. All R bits MUST be ignored by the receiver.

ILL (4 bits, unsigned integer): This is an OPTIONAL field that is present only if interleaving is signalled out-of-band for the session. ILL=L indicates to the receiver that the interleaving length is L+1, in number of frame-blocks.

ILP (4 bits, unsigned integer): This is an OPTIONAL field that is present only if interleaving is signalled. ILP MUST take a value between 0 and ILL, inclusive, indicating the interleaving index for frame-blocks in this payload in the interleave group. If the value of ILP is found greater than ILL, the payload SHOULD be discarded.

ILL and ILP fields MUST be present in each packet in a session if interleaving is signalled for the session. Interleaving MUST be performed on a frame-block basis (i.e., NOT on a frame basis) in a multi-channel session.

The following example illustrates the arrangement of speech frame-blocks in an interleave group during an interleave session. Here we assume ILL=L for the interleave group that starts at speech frame-block n. We also assume that the first payload packet of the interleave group is s and the number of speech frame-blocks carried in each payload is N. Then we will have:

Payload s (the first packet of this interleave group):

ILL=L, ILP=0, Carry frame-blocks: n, n+(L+1), n+2*(L+1), ..., n+(N-1)*(L+1)

Payload s+1 (the second packet of this interleave group):

ILL=L, ILP=1, frame-blocks: n+1, n+1+(L+1), n+1+2*(L+1), ..., n+1+(N-1)*(L+1)

...

Payload s+L (the last packet of this interleave group):

ILL=L, ILP=L, frame-blocks: n+L, n+L+(L+1), n+L+2*(L+1), ..., n+L+(N-1)*(L+1)

The next interleave group will start at frame-block n+N*(L+1).

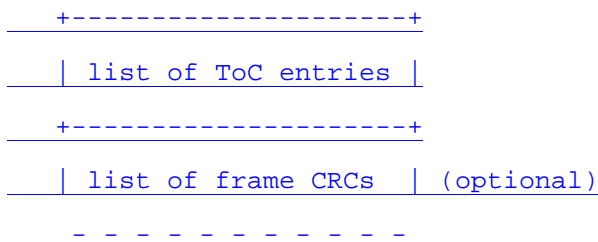
There will be no interleaving effect unless the number of frame-blocks per packet (N) is at least 2. Moreover, the number of frame-blocks per payload (N) and the value of ILL MUST NOT be changed inside an interleave group. In other words, all payloads in an interleave group MUST have the same ILL and MUST contain the same number of speech frame-blocks.

The sender of the payload MUST only apply interleaving if the receiver has signalled its use through out-of-band means. Since interleaving will increase buffering requirements at the receiver, the receiver uses MIME parameter "interleaving=I" to set the maximum number of frame-blocks allowed in an interleaving group to I.

When performing interleaving the sender MUST use a proper number of frame-blocks per payload (N) and ILL so that the resulting size of an interleave group is less or equal to I, i.e., $N*(L+1) \leq I$.

E.4.4.2. The Payload Table of Contents and Frame CRCs

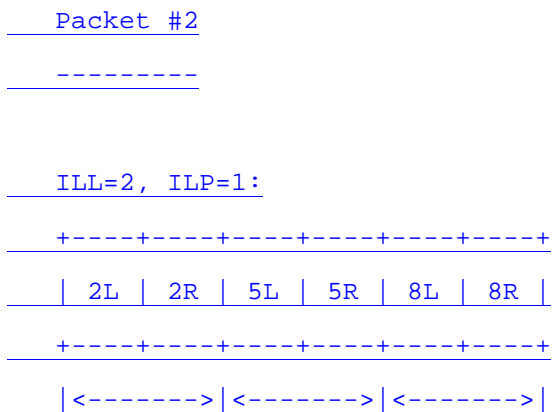
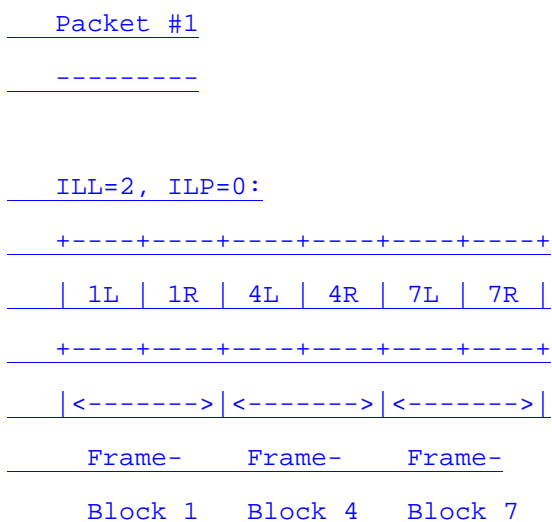
The table of contents (ToC) in octet-aligned mode consists of a list of ToC entries where each entry corresponds to a speech frame carried in the payload and, optionally, a list of speech frame CRCs, i.e.,

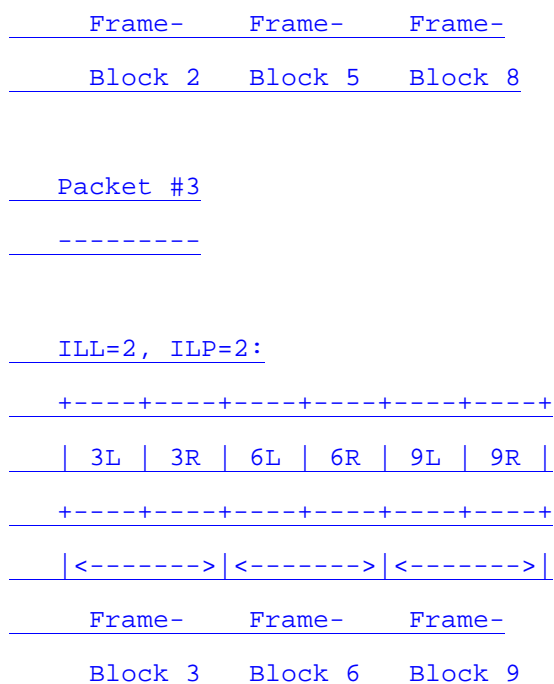


Note, for ToC entries with FT=14 or 15, there will be no corresponding speech frame or frame CRC present in the payload.

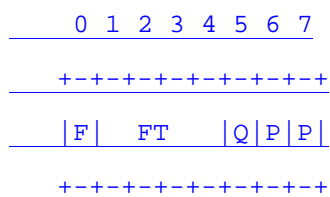
The list of ToC entries is organized in the same way as described for bandwidth-efficient mode in E.4.3.2, with the following exception: when interleaving is used the frame-blocks in the ToC will almost never be placed consecutive in time. Instead, the presence and order of the frame-blocks in a packet will follow the pattern described in E.4.4.1.

The following example shows the ToC of three consecutive packets, each carrying 3 frame-blocks, in an interleaved two-channel session. Here, the two channels are left (L) and right (R) with L coming before R, and the interleaving length is 3 (i.e., ILL=2). This makes the interleave group 9 frame-blocks large.





A ToC entry takes the following format in octet-aligned mode:



F (1 bit): see definition in Section E.4.3.2.

FT (4 bits unsigned integer): see definition in Section E.4.3.2.

Q (1 bit): see definition in Section E.4.3.2.

P bits: padding bits, MUST be set to zero.

The list of CRCs is OPTIONAL. It only exists if the use of CRC is signalled out-of-band for the session. When present, each CRC in the list is 8 bit long and corresponds to a speech frame (NOT a frame-block) carried in the payload. Calculation and use of the CRC is specified in the next section.

E.4.4.2.1. Use of Frame CRC for UED over IP

The general concept of UED/UEP over IP is discussed in Section E.3.6. This section provides more details on how to use the frame CRC in the octet-aligned payload header together with a partial transport layer checksum to achieve UED.

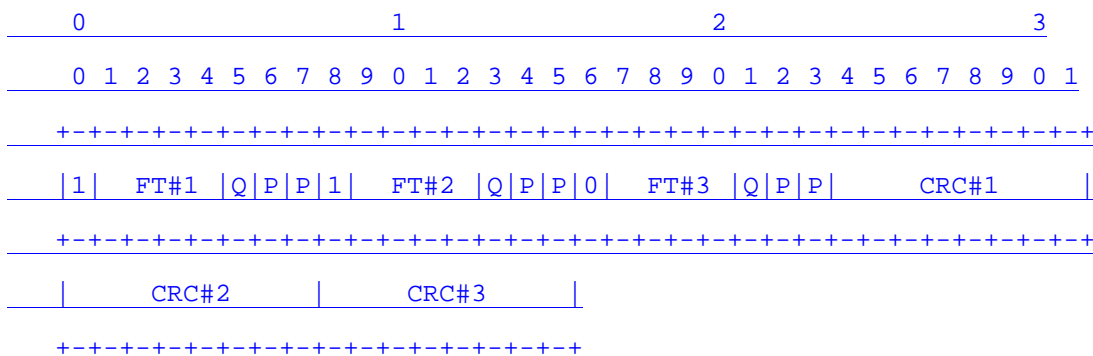
To achieve UED, one SHOULD use a transport layer checksum, for example, the one defined in UDP-Lite [15], to protect the RTP header, payload header, and table of contents bits in a payload. The frame CRC, when used, MUST be calculated only over all class A bits in the frame. Class B and C bits in the frame MUST NOT be included in the CRC calculation and SHOULD NOT be covered by the transport checksum.

Note, the number of class A bits for various coding modes in AMR codec is specified as informative in [2] and is therefore copied into Table E.1 in Section E.3.6 to make it normative for this payload format. The number of class A bits for various coding modes in AMR-WB codec is specified as normative in table 2 in [4], and the SID frame (FT=9) has 40 class A bits. These definitions of class A bits MUST be used for this payload format.

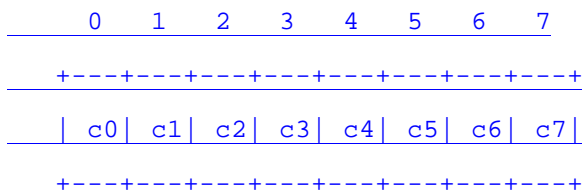
Packets SHOULD be discarded if the transport layer checksum detects errors.

The receiver of the payload SHOULD examine the data integrity of the received class A bits by re-calculating the CRC over the received class A bits and comparing the result to the value found in the received payload header. If the two values mismatch, the receiver SHALL consider the class A bits in the receiver frame damaged and MUST clear the Q flag of the frame (i.e., set it to 0). This will subsequently cause the frame to be marked as SPEECH_BAD, if the FT of the frame is 0..7 for AMR or 0..8 for AMR-WB, or SID_BAD if the FT of the frame is 8 for AMR or 9 for AMR-WB, before it is passed to the speech decoder. See [6] and [7] more details.

The following example shows an octet-aligned ToC with a CRC list for a payload containing 3 speech frames from a single channel session (assuming none of the FTs is equal to 14 or 15)



Each of the CRC's takes 8 bits



and is calculated by the cyclic generator polynomial,

$$C(x) = 1 + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^8$$

where ^ is the exponentiation operator.

In binary form the polynomial has the following form: 101110001 (MSB..LSB).

The actual calculation of the CRC is made as follows:

First, an 8-bit CRC register is reset to zero: 00000000. For each bit over which the CRC shall be calculated, an XOR operation is made between the rightmost bit of the CRC register and the bit. The CRC register is then right shifted one step (inputting a "0" as the leftmost bit). If the result of the XOR operation mentioned above is a "1" "10111000" is then bit-wise XOR-ed into the CRC register. This operation is repeated for each bit that the CRC should cover. In this case, the first bit would be d(0) for the speech frame for which the CRC should cover. When the last bit (e.g. d(54) for AMR 5.9 according to Table E.1 in Section E.3.6) have been used in this CRC calculation, the contents in CRC register should simply be copied to the corresponding field in the list of CRC's.

Fast calculation of the CRC on a general-purpose CPU is possible using a table-driven algorithm.

E.4.4.3. Speech Data

In octet-aligned mode, speech data is carried in a similar way to that in the bandwidth-efficient mode as discussed in Section E.4.3.3, with the following exceptions:

- The last octet of each speech frame MUST be padded with zeroes at the end if not all bits in the octet are used. In other words, each speech frame MUST be octet-aligned.

- When multiple speech frames are present in the speech data (i.e., compound payload), the speech frames can be arranged either one whole frame after another as usual, or with the octets of all frames interleaved together at the octet level.

Since the bits within each frame are ordered with the most error-sensitive bits first, interleaving the octets collects those sensitive bits from all frames to be nearer the beginning of the packet. This is called "robust sorting order" which allows the application of UED (such as UDP-Lite [15]) or UEP (such as the ULP [18]) mechanisms to the payload data. The details of assembling the payload are given in the next section.

The use of robust sorting order for a session MUST be agreed via out-of-band means. Section E.8 specifies a MIME parameter for this purpose.

Note, robust sorting order MUST only be performed on the frame level and thus is independent of interleaving which is at the frame-block level, as described in Section E.4.4.1. In other words, robust sorting can be applied to either non-interleaved or interleaved sessions.

E.4.4.4. Methods for Forming the Payload

Two different packetization methods, namely normal order and robust sorting order, exist for forming a payload in octet-aligned mode. In both cases, the payload header and table of contents are packed into the payload the same way; the difference is in the packing of the speech frames.

The payload begins with the payload header of one octet or two if frame interleaving is selected. The payload header is followed by the table of contents consisting of a list of one-octet ToC entries. If frame CRCs are to be included, they follow the table of contents with one 8-bit CRC filling each octet. Note that if a given frame has a ToC entry with FT=14 or 15, there will be no CRC present.

The speech data follows the table of contents, or the CRCs if present. For packetization in the normal order, all of the octets comprising a speech frame are appended to the payload as a unit. The speech frames are packed in the same order as their corresponding ToC entries are arranged in the ToC list, with the exception that if a given frame has a ToC entry with FT=14 or 15, there will be no data octets present for that frame.

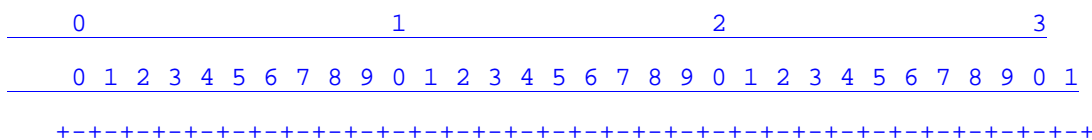
For packetization in robust sorting order, the octets of all speech frames are interleaved together at the octet level. That is, the data portion of the payload begins with the first octet of the first frame, followed by the first octet of the second frame, then the first octet of the third frame, and so on. After the first octet of the last frame has been appended, the cycle repeats with the second octet of each frame. The process continues for as many octets as are present in the longest frame. If the frames are not all the same octet length, a shorter frame is skipped once all octets in it have been appended. The order of the frames in the cycle will be sequential if frame interleaving is not in use, or according to the interleave pattern specified in the payload header if frame interleaving is in use. Note that if a given frame has a ToC entry with FT=14 or 15, there will be no data octets present for that frame so that frame is skipped in the robust sorting cycle.

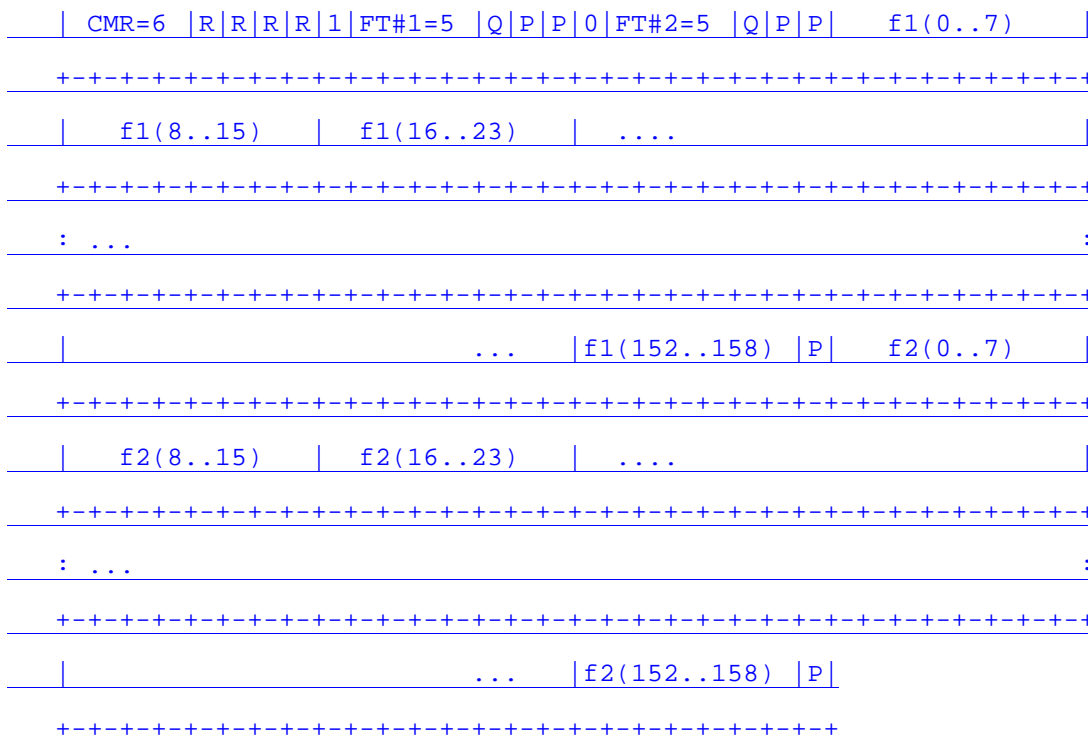
The UED and/or UEP is RECOMMENDED to cover at least the RTP header, payload header, table of contents, and class A bits of a sorted payload. Exactly how many octets need to be covered depends on the network and application. If CRCs are used together with robust sorting, only the RTP header, the payload header, and the ToC SHOULD be covered by UED/UEP. The means to communicate to other layers performing UED/UEP the number of octets to be covered is beyond the scope of this specification.

E.4.4.5. Payload Examples

E.4.4.5.1. Basic Single Channel Payload Carrying Multiple Frames

The following diagram shows an octet aligned payload from a single channel session that carries two AMR frames of 7.95 kbps coding mode (FT=5). In the payload, a codec mode request is sent (CMR=6), requesting the encoder at the receiver's side to use AMR 10.2 kbps coding mode. No frame CRC, interleaving, or robust-sorting is in use.





Note, in above example the last octet in both speech frames is padded with one 0 to make it octet-aligned.

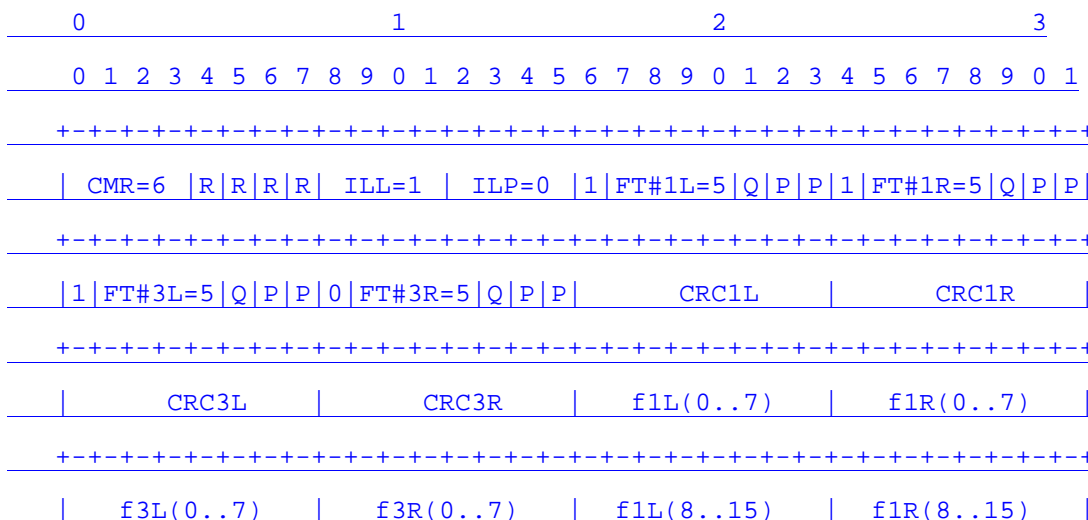
E.4.4.5.2. Two Channel Payload with CRC, Interleaving, and Robust-sorting

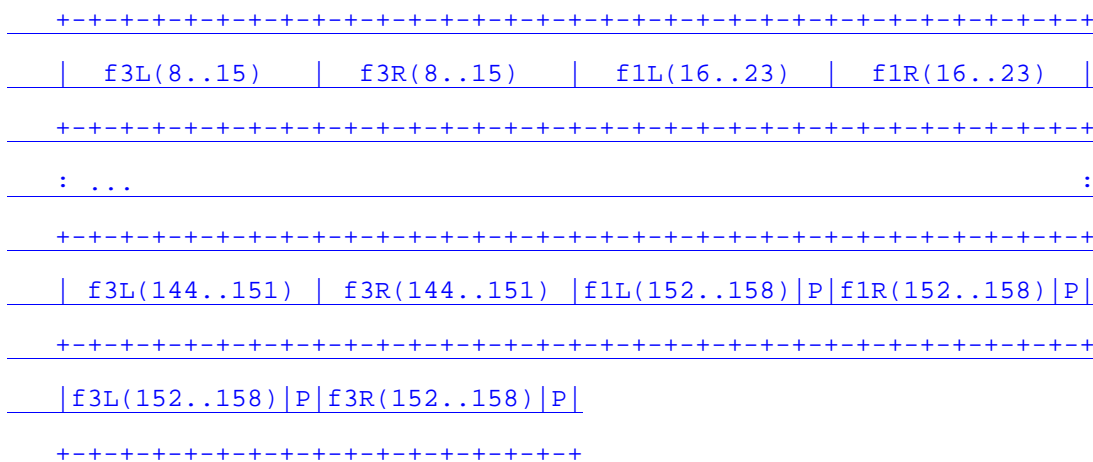
This example shows an octet aligned payload from a two channel session. Two frame-blocks, each containing 2 speech frames of 7.95 kbps coding mode (FT=5), are carried in this payload.

The two channels are left (L) and right (R) with L coming before R. In the payload, a codec mode request is also sent (CMR=6), requesting the encoder at the receiver's side to use AMR 10.2 kbps coding mode.

Moreover, frame CRC and frame-block interleaving are both enabled for the session. The interleaving length is 2 (ILL=1) and this payload is the first one in an interleave group (ILP=0).

The first two frames in the payload are the L and R channel speech frames of frame-block #1, consisting of bits f1L(0..158) and f1R(0..158), respectively. The next two frames are the L and R channel frames of frame-block #3, consisting of bits f3L(0..158) and f3R(0..158), respectively, due to interleaving. For each of the four speech frames a CRC is calculated as CRC1L(0..7), CRC1R(0..7), CRC3L(0..7), and CRC3R(0..7), respectively. Finally, the payload is robust sorted.





Note, in above example the last octet in all the four speech frames is padded with one zero bit to make it octet-aligned.

E.4.5. Implementation Considerations

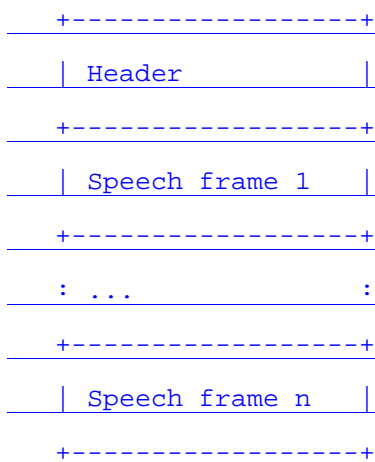
An application implementing this payload format MUST understand all the payload parameters in the out-of-band signaling used. For example, if an application uses SDP, all the SDP and MIME parameters in this document MUST be understood. This requirement ensures that an implementation always can decide if it is capable or not of communicating.

No operation mode of the payload format is mandatory to implement. The requirements of the application using the payload format should be used to determine what to implement. To achieve basic interoperability an implementation SHOULD at least implement both bandwidth-efficient and octet-aligned mode for single channel. The other operations mode: interleaving, robust sorting, frame-wise CRC in both single and multi-channel is OPTIONAL to implement.

E.5. AMR and AMR-WB Storage Format

The storage format is used for storing AMR or AMR-WB speech frames in a file or as an e-mail attachment. Multiple channel content is supported.

In general, an AMR or AMR-WB file has the following structure:



Note, to preserve interoperability with already deployed implementations, single channel content uses a file header format different from that of multi-channel content.

E.5.1. Single channel Header

A single channel AMR or AMR-WB file header contains only a magic number and different magic numbers are defined to distinguish AMR from AMR-WB. The magic number for single channel AMR files MUST consist of ASCII character string:

"#!AMR\n" (or 0x2321414d520a in hexadecimal).

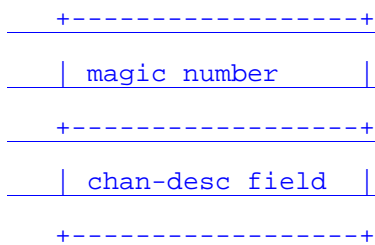
The magic number for single channel AMR-WB files MUST consist of ASCII character string:

"#!AMR-WB\n" (or 0x2321414d522d57420a in hexadecimal).

Note, the "\n" is an important part of the magic numbers and MUST be included in the comparison, since, otherwise, the single channel magic numbers above will become indistinguishable from those of the multi-channel files defined in the next section.

E.5.2. Multi-channel Header

The multi-channel header consists of a magic number followed by a 32 bit channel description field, giving the multi-channel header the following structure:



The magic number for multi-channel AMR files MUST consist of the ASCII character string:

"#!AMR MC1.0\n" (or 0x2321414d525F4D43312E300a in hexadecimal).

The magic number for multi-channel AMR-WB files MUST consist of the ASCII character string:

"#!AMR-WB MC1.0\n" (or 0x2321414d522d57425F4D43312E300a in hexadecimal).

The version number in the magic numbers refers to the version of the file format.

The 32 bit channel description field is defined as:



Reserved bits: MUST be set to 0 when written, and a reader MUST ignore them.

CHAN (4 bit unsigned integer): Specifies the number and formation of audio channels contained in this storage file, as defined in the following table:

	# of		channel					
CHAN	channels	description	1	2	3	4	5	6

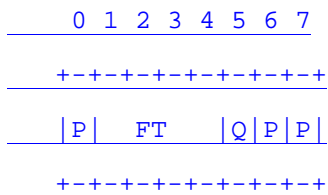
=====					
1	2	stereo	l	r	
2	3		l	r	c
3	4	quadrophonic	Fl	Fr	Rl Rr
4	4		l	c	r S
5	5		Fl	Fr	Fc Sl Sr
6	6		l	lc	c r rc S
-----+-----					
0,7-15	Reserved for future use				
=====					
Legends:					
l - left					
r - right					
c - center					
S - surround					
F - front					
R - rear					

Table E.2: Channel definitions for the storage format

E.5.3. Speech Frames

After the file header, speech frame-blocks consecutive in time are stored in the file. Each frame-block contains a number of octet-aligned speech frames equal to the number of channels, and stored in increasing order, starting with channel 1.

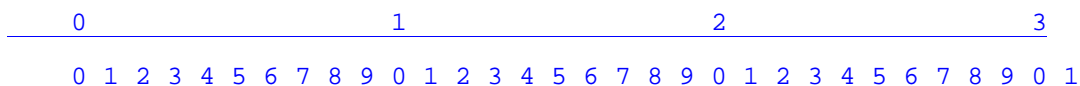
Each stored speech frame starts with a one octet frame header with the following format:

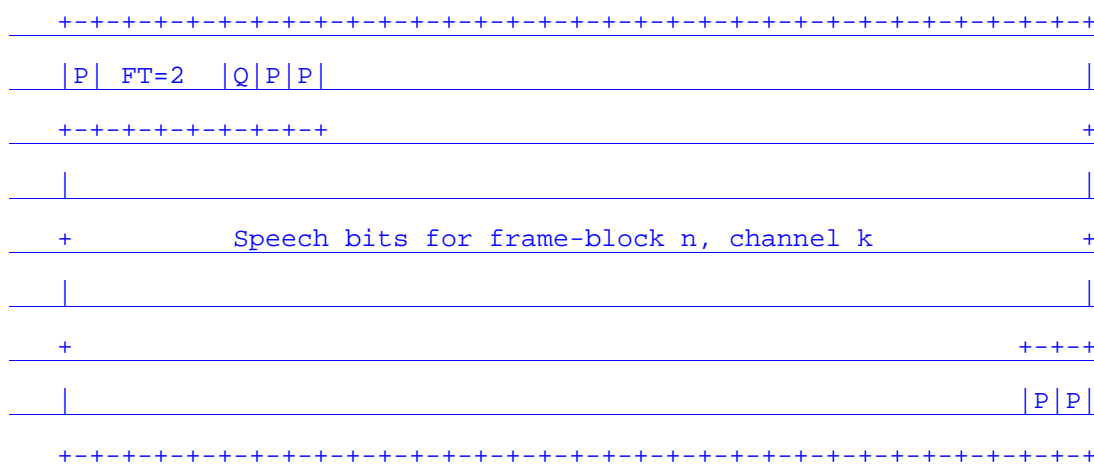


The FT field and the Q bit are defined in the same way as in Section E.4.1.2. The P bits are padding and MUST be set to 0.

Following this one octet header come the speech bits as defined in E.4.3.3. The last octet of each frame is padded with zeroes, if needed, to achieve octet alignment.

The following example shows an AMR frame in 5.9 kbit coding mode (with 118 speech bits) in the storage format.





Frame-blocks or speech frames lost in transmission and non-received frame-blocks between SID updates during non-speech periods MUST be stored as NO DATA frames (frame type 15, as defined in [2] and [4]) or SPEECH LOST (frame type 14, only available for AMR-WB) in complete frame-blocks to keep synchronization with the original media.

E.6. Congestion Control

The general congestion control considerations for transporting RTP data apply to AMR or AMR-WB speech over RTP as well. However, the multi-rate capability of AMR and AMR-WB speech coding may provide an advantage over other payload formats for controlling congestion since the bandwidth demand can be adjusted by selecting a different coding mode.

Another parameter that may impact the bandwidth demand for AMR and AMR-WB is the number of frame-blocks that are encapsulated in each RTP payload. Packing more frame-blocks in each RTP payload can reduce the number of packets sent and hence the overhead from IP/UDP/RTP headers, at the expense of increased delay.

If forward error correction (FEC) is used to combat packet loss, the amount of redundancy added by FEC will need to be regulated so that the use of FEC itself does not cause a congestion problem.

It is RECOMMENDED that AMR or AMR-WB applications using this payload format employ congestion control. The actual mechanism for congestion control is not specified but should be suitable for real-time flows, e.g. "Equation-Based Congestion Control for Unicast Applications" [17].

E.7. Security Considerations

RTP packets using the payload format defined in this specification are subject to the general security considerations discussed in [8]. As this format transports encoded speech, the main security issues include confidentiality and authentication of the speech itself. The payload format itself does not have any built-in security mechanisms. External mechanisms, such as SRTP [22], MAY be used.

This payload format does not exhibit any significant non-uniformity in the receiver side computational complexity for packet processing and thus is unlikely to pose a denial-of-service threat due to the receipt of pathological data.

E.7.1. Confidentiality

To achieve confidentiality of the encoded AMR or AMR-WB speech, all speech data bits will need to be encrypted. There is less a need to encrypt the payload header or the table of contents due to 1) that they only carry information

about the requested speech mode, frame type, and frame quality, and 2) that this information could be useful to some third party, e.g., quality monitoring.

As long as the AMR or AMR-WB payload is only packed and unpacked at either end, encryption may be performed after packet encapsulation so that there is no conflict between the two operations. Interleaving may affect encryption. Depending on the encryption scheme used, there may be restrictions on, for example, the time when keys can be changed. Specifically, the key change may need to occur at the boundary between interleave groups.

The type of encryption method used may impact the error robustness of the payload data. The error robustness may be severely reduced when the data is encrypted unless an encryption method without error-propagation is used, e.g. a stream cipher. Therefore, UED/UEP based on robust sorting may be difficult to apply when the payload data is encrypted.

E.7.2. Authentication

To authenticate the sender of the speech, an external mechanism has to be used. It is RECOMMENDED that such a mechanism protect all the speech data bits. Note that the use of UED/UEP may be difficult to combine with authentication because any bit errors will cause authentication to fail.

Data tampering by a man-in-the-middle attacker could result in erroneous depacketization/decoding that could lower the speech quality. Tampering with the CMR field may result in speech in a different quality than desired.

To prevent a man-in-the-middle attacker from tampering with the payload packets, some additional information besides the speech bits SHOULD be protected. This may include the payload header, ToC, frame CRCs, RTP timestamp, RTP sequence number, and the RTP marker bit.

E.7.3. Decoding Validation

When processing a received payload packet, if the receiver finds that the calculated payload length, based on the information of the session and the values found in the payload header fields, does not match the size of the received packet, the receiver SHOULD discard the packet. This is because decoding a packet that has errors in its length field could severely degrade the speech quality.

E.8. Payload Format Parameters

This section defines the parameters that may be used to select optional features of the AMR and AMR-WB payload formats. The parameters are defined here as part of the MIME subtype registrations for the AMR and AMR-WB speech codecs. A mapping of the parameters into the Session Description Protocol (SDP) [11] is

also provided for those applications that use SDP. Equivalent parameters could be defined elsewhere for use with control protocols that do not use MIME or SDP.

Two separate MIME registrations are made, one for AMR and one for AMR-WB, because they are distinct encodings that must be distinguished by the MIME subtype.

The data format and parameters are specified for both real-time transport in RTP and for storage type applications such as e-mail attachments.

E.8.1. AMR MIME Registration

The MIME subtype for the Adaptive Multi-Rate (AMR) codec is allocated from the IETF tree since AMR is expected to be a widely used speech codec in general VoIP applications. This MIME registration covers both real-time transfer via RTP and non-real-time transfers via stored files. Note, any unspecified parameter MUST be ignored by the receiver.

Media Type name: audio

Media subtype name: AMR

Required parameters: none

Optional parameters:

These parameters apply to RTP transfer only.

octet-align: Permissible values are 0 and 1. If 1, octet-aligned operation SHALL be used. If 0 or if not present, bandwidth efficient operation is employed.

mode-set: Requested AMR mode set. Restricts the active codec mode set to a subset of all modes. Possible values are a comma separated list of modes from the set: 0,...,7 (see Table 1a [2]). If such mode set is specified by the decoder, the encoder MUST abide by the request and MUST NOT use modes outside of the subset. If not present, all codec modes are allowed for the session.

mode-change-period: Specifies a number of frame-blocks, N, that is the interval at which codec mode changes are allowed. The initial phase of the interval is arbitrary, but changes must be separated by multiples of N frame-blocks. If this parameter is not present, mode changes are allowed at any time during the session.

mode-change-neighbor: Permissible values are 0 and 1. If 1, mode changes SHALL only be made to the neighboring modes in the active codec mode set. Neighboring modes are the ones closest in bit rate to the current mode, either the next higher or next lower rate. If 0 or if not present, change between any two modes in the active codec mode set is allowed.

maxptime: The maximum amount of media which can be encapsulated in a payload packet, expressed as time in milliseconds. The time is calculated as the sum of the time the media present in the packet represents. The time SHOULD be a multiple of the frame size. If this parameter is not present, the sender MAY encapsulate any number of speech frames into one RTP packet.

crc: Permissible values are 0 and 1. If 1, frame CRCs SHALL be included in the payload, otherwise not. If crc=1, this also implies automatically that octet-aligned operation SHALL be used for the session.

robust-sorting: Permissible values are 0 and 1. If 1, the payload SHALL employ robust payload sorting. If 0 or if not present, simple payload sorting SHALL be used. If robust-sorting=1, this also implies automatically that octet-aligned operation SHALL be used for the session.

interleaving: Indicates that frame-block level interleaving SHALL be used for the session and its value defines the maximum number of frame-blocks allowed in an interleaving group (see Section E.4.4.1). If this parameter is not present, interleaving SHALL not be used. The presence of this parameter also implies automatically that octet-aligned operation SHALL be used.

ptime: see RFC2327 [11].

channels: The number of audio channels. The possible values and their respective channel order is specified in section 4.1 in [24]. If omitted it has the default value of 1.

Encoding considerations:

This type is defined for transfer via both RTP (RFC1889) and stored-file methods as described in Sections 4 and 5, respectively, of RFC XXXX. Audio data is binary data, and must be encoded for non-binary transport; the Base64 encoding is suitable for Email.

Security considerations: See Section 7 of RFC XXXX.

Public specification: Please refer to Section 11 of RFC XXXX.

Additional information:

The following applies to stored-file transfer methods:

Magic numbers:

single channel: ASCII character string "#!AMR\n" (or 0x2321414d520a in hexadecimal)

multi-channel: ASCII character string "#!AMR_MC1.0\n" (or 0x2321414d525F4D43312E300a in hexadecimal)

File extensions: amr, AMR

Macintosh file type code: none

Object identifier or OID: none

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Intended usage: COMMON.

It is expected that many VoIP applications (as well as mobile applications) will use this type.

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E.8.2. AMR-WB MIME Registration

The MIME subtype for the Adaptive Multi-Rate Wideband (AMR-WB) codec is allocated from the IETF tree since AMR-WB is expected to be a widely used speech codec in general VoIP applications. This MIME registration covers both real-time transfer via RTP and non-real-time transfers via stored files.

Note, any unspecified parameter MUST be ignored by the receiver.

Media Type name: audio

Media subtype name: AMR-WB

Required parameters: none

Optional parameters:

These parameters apply to RTP transfer only.

octet-align: Permissible values are 0 and 1. If 1, octet-aligned operation SHALL be used. If 0 or if not present, bandwidth efficient operation is employed.

mode-set: Requested AMR-WB mode set. Restricts the active codec mode set to a subset of all modes. Possible values are a comma separated list of modes from the set: 0,...,8 (see Table 1a [4]). If such mode set is specified by the decoder, the encoder MUST abide by the request and MUST NOT use modes outside of the subset. If not present, all codec modes are allowed for the session.

mode-change-period: Specifies a number of frame-blocks, N, that is the interval at which codec mode changes are allowed. The initial phase of the interval is arbitrary, but changes must be separated by multiples of N frame-blocks. If this parameter is not present, mode changes are allowed at any time during the session.

mode-change-neighbor: Permissible values are 0 and 1. If 1, mode changes SHALL only be made to the neighboring modes in the active codec mode set. Neighboring modes are the ones closest in bit rate to the current mode, either the next higher or next lower rate. If 0 or if not present, change between any two modes in the active codec mode set is allowed.

maxptime: The maximum amount of media which can be encapsulated in a payload packet, expressed as time in milliseconds. The time is calculated as the sum of the time the media present in the packet represents. The time SHOULD be a multiple of the frame size. If this parameter is not present, the sender MAY encapsulated any number of speech frames into one RTP packet.

crc: Permissible values are 0 and 1. If 1, frame CRCs SHALL be included in the payload, otherwise not. If crc=1, this also implies automatically that octet-aligned operation SHALL be used for the session.

robust-sorting: Permissible values are 0 and 1. If 1, the payload SHALL employ robust payload sorting. If 0 or if not present, simple payload sorting SHALL be used. If robust-sorting=1, this also implies automatically that octet-aligned operation SHALL be used for the session.

interleaving: Indicates that frame-block level interleaving SHALL be used for the session and its value defines the maximum number of frame-blocks allowed in an interleaving group (see Section E.4.4.1). If this parameter is not present, interleaving SHALL not be used. The presence of this parameter also implies automatically that octet-aligned operation SHALL be used.

ptime: see RFC2327 [11].

channels: The number of audio channels. The possible values and their respective channel order is specified in section 4.1 in [24]. If omitted it has the default value of 1.

Encoding considerations:

This type is defined for transfer via both RTP (RFC1889) and stored-file methods as described in Sections 4 and 5, respectively, of RFC XXXX. Audio data is binary data, and must be encoded for non-binary transport; the Base64 encoding is suitable for Email.

Security considerations: See Section 7 of RFC XXXX.

Public specification: Please refer to Section 11 of RFC XXXX.

Additional information:

The following applies to stored-file transfer methods:

Magic numbers:

single channel:

ASCII character string "#!AMR-WB\n" (or 0x2321414d522d57420a in hexadecimal)

multi-channel:

ASCII character string "#!AMR-WB MC1.0\n" (or 0x2321414d522d57425F4D43312E300a in hexadecimal)

File extensions: awb, AWB

Macintosh file type code: none

Object identifier or OID: none

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E.8.3. Mapping MIME Parameters into SDP

The information carried in the MIME media type specification has a specific mapping to fields in the Session Description Protocol (SDP) [11], which is commonly used to describe RTP sessions. When SDP is used to specify sessions employing the AMR or AMR-WB codec, the mapping is as follows:

- The MIME type ("audio") goes in SDP "m=" as the media name.
- The MIME subtype (payload format name) goes in SDP "a=rtpmap" as the encoding name. The RTP clock rate in "a=rtpmap" MUST be 8000 for AMR and 16000 for AMR-WB, and the encoding parameters (number of channels) MUST either be explicitly set to N or omitted, implying a default value of 1. The values of N that are allowed is specified in Section 4.1 in [24].
- The parameters "ptime" and "maxptime" go in the SDP "a=ptime" and "a=maxptime" attributes, respectively.
- Any remaining parameters go in the SDP "a=fmtp" attribute by copying them directly from the MIME media type string as a semicolon separated list of parameter=value pairs.

Some example SDP session descriptions utilizing AMR and AMR-WB encodings follow. In these examples, long a=fmtp lines are folded to meet the column width constraints of this document; the backslash ("\") at the end of a line and the carriage return that follows it should be ignored.

Example of usage of AMR in a possible GSM gateway scenario:

```
m=audio 49120 RTP/AVP 97  
a=rtpmap:97 AMR/8000/1  
a=fmtp:97 mode-set=0,2,5,7; mode-change-period=2; \  
mode-change-neighbor=1  
a=maxptime:20
```

Example of usage of AMR-WB in a possible VoIP scenario:

```
m=audio 49120 RTP/AVP 98  
a=rtpmap:98 AMR-WB/16000  
a=fmtp:98 octet-align=1
```

Example of usage of AMR-WB in a possible streaming scenario (two channel stereo):

```
m=audio 49120 RTP/AVP 99  
a=rtpmap:99 AMR-WB/16000/2  
a=fmtp:99 interleaving=30  
a=maxptime:100
```

Note that the payload format (encoding) names are commonly shown in upper case. MIME subtypes are commonly shown in lower case. These names are case-insensitive in both places. Similarly, parameter names are case-insensitive both in MIME types and in the default mapping to the SDP a=fmtp attribute.

E.9. IANA Considerations

Two new MIME subtypes are to be registered, see Section E.8. A new SDP attribute "maxptime", also defined in Section E.8, needs to be registered. The "maxptime" attribute is expected to be defined in the revision of RFC 2327 [11] and is added here with a consistent definition.

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9.2 MPEG-4 file format guidelines

9.2.1 Registration of non-ISO codecs

How to include the non-ISO code streams AMR narrow-band speech and H.263 encoded video in MP4 files is described in annex D of the present document.

9.2.2 Hint tracks

The hint tracks are a mechanism that the server implementation may choose to use in preparation for the streaming of media content contained in MP4 files. However, it should be observed that the usage of the hint tracks is an internal implementation matter for the server, and it falls outside the scope of the present document.

9.2.3 Self-contained MP4 files

All media in the MP4 file shall be self-contained, i.e. there shall not be referencing to external media data from inside the MP4 file.

9.2.4 MPEG-4 systems specific elements

Tracks relative to MPEG-4 system architectural elements (e.g. BIFS scene description tracks or OD Object descriptors) are optional and shall be ignored. The adoption of the MPEG-4 file format does not imply the usage of MPEG-4 systems architecture. The receiving terminal is not required to implement any of the specific MPEG-4 system architectural elements.

9.2.5 Interpretation of MPEG-4 file format

All index numbers used in MPEG-4 file format start with the value one rather than zero, in particular “first-chunk” in Sample to chunk atom, “sample-number” in Sync sample atom and “shadowed-sample-number”, “sync-sample-number” in Shadow sync sample atom.

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Reason for change:	⌘ In the SDP RFC 2327 the interpretation of the value "b=AS:" is a little bit vague. As a result an explanation in TS 26.234 was including saying that its shall be interpreted as the net rates of the media streams without lower level packetisation overhead. In the IETF they are working on updates to SDP and RTP (http://search.ietf.org/internet-drafts/draft-ietf-mmusic-sdp-new-05.txt and http://search.ietf.org/internet-drafts/draft-ietf-avt-rtp-new-11.txt). In the new SDP draft they say "For RTP based applications, AS gives the RTP ``session bandwidth" as defined in section 6.2 of [2]." Reference [2] is for RTP. In the new RTP draft they say that the session bandwidth "include lower-layer transport and network protocols (e.g., UDP and IP).
Summary of change:	⌘ The correct definition of the b=AS attribute is included in clause 5.3.3.
Consequences if not approved:	⌘ By staying with the explanation in TS 26.234 on how the value of "b=AS" shall be interpreted we will have a conflict with the "correct" IETF definition as new versions of RTP and SDP are published.

Clauses affected:	⌘ Clause 5.3.3		
Other specs affected:	⌘ <input type="checkbox"/> Other core specifications <input type="checkbox"/> Test specifications <input type="checkbox"/> O&M Specifications	⌘	
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5.3.3 SDP

RTSP requires a presentation description. SDP shall be used as the format of the presentation description for both PSS clients and servers. PSS servers shall provide and clients interpret the SDP syntax according to the SDP specification [6] and appendix C of [5]. The SDP delivered to the PSS client shall declare the media types to be used in the session using a codec specific MIME media type for each media. MIME media types to be used in the SDP file are described in clause 5.4 of the present document.

The SDP [6] specification requires certain fields to always be included in an SDP file. Apart from this a PSS server shall always include the following fields in the SDP:

- "a=control:" according to clauses C.1.1, C.2 and C.3 in [5];
- "a=range:" according to clause C.1.5 in [5];
- "a=rtpmap:" according to clause 6 in [6];
- "a=fmtp:" according to clause 6 in [6].

The bandwidth field in SDP can be used to indicate to the PSS client the amount of bandwidth that is required for the session and the individual media in the presentation. Therefore, a PSS server should include the "b=AS:" field in the SDP (both on the session and media level) and a PSS client shall be able to interpret this field. ~~The bandwidth value shall indicate maximum net rates of media streams without lower level packetisation overhead~~ For RTP based applications, AS gives the RTP "session bandwidth" (including UDP/IP overhead) as defined in section 6.2 of [9].

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Proposed change affects: ⌘ (U)SIM ME/UE Radio Access Network Core Network

Title:	⌘ Correction to MPEG-4 references		
Source:	⌘ TSG SA WG4		
Work item code:	⌘ PSTREAM	Date:	⌘ 11 March 2002
Category:	⌘ F	Release:	⌘ REL-4
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Reason for change:	⌘ <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Correction to ISO/IEC 14496-2 has been made and the reference [24] needs to be updated accordingly. 2) ISO/IEC 14496-2:2001/Amd 2 has been published and the reference [25] needs to be updated accordingly. 3) Corrections and amendments to ISO/IEC 14496-3 have been made and the reference [21] needs to be updated accordingly. 4) The payload format RFC 3016 used for MPEG-4 AAC specifies that the audio elementary streams shall be formatted by the LATM (Low-overhead MPEG-4 Audio Transport Multiplex) tool. A corrigendum to the LATM format (included in the updated reference [21]) has been released which includes changes that makes an implementation not using the corrigendum incompatible with an implementation that is using the corrigendum. Even if this corrigendum is expected to be followed by all implementing a standard, the existence of the corrigendum should be pointed out in the PSS specification to avoid any possibilities for interoperability problems.
Summary of change:	⌘ References [21], [24] and [25] are updated. A note is put into clause 6.2 to give information about the existence of the corrigendum to the LATM format.
Consequences if not approved:	⌘ Major interoperability problems for PSS clients and servers supporting AAC.

Clauses affected:	⌘ Clauses 2 and 6.2.		
Other specs affected:	⌘ <input type="checkbox"/> Other core specifications <input type="checkbox"/> Test specifications <input type="checkbox"/> O&M Specifications	⌘	
Other comments:	⌘		

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- [21] [ISO/IEC 14496-3:2001, "Information technology -- Coding of audio-visual objects -- Part 3: Audio"](#). ~~ISO/IEC 14496-3 (1999): "Information technology -- Coding of audio-visual objects -- Part 3: Audio"~~.
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- [23] ITU-T Recommendation H.263 (annex X): "Annex X, Profiles and levels definition".
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- [25] [ISO/IEC 14496-2:2001/Amd 2:2002, "Streaming video profile"](#) ~~ISO/IEC 14496-2:1999/FDAM4, ISO/IEC JTC1/SC 29/WG11 N3904, Pisa, January, 2001~~
- [26] ITU-T Recommendation T.81 (1991) | ISO/IEC 10918-1 (1992): "Information technology - Digital compression and coding of continuous-tone still images - Requirements and guidelines.
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6.2 RTP over UDP/IP

The IETF RTP [9] and [10] provides a means for sending real-time or streaming data over UDP (see [7]). The encoded media is encapsulated in the RTP packets with media specific RTP payload formats. RTP payload formats are defined by IETF. RTP also provides a protocol called RTCP (see clause 6 in [9]) for feedback about the transmission quality.

RTP/UDP/IP transport of continuous media (speech ,audio and video) shall be supported.

For RTP/UDP/IP transport of continuous media the following RTP payload formats shall be used:

- AMR narrow band speech codec (see clause 7.2) RTP payload format according to [11];
- AMR wide band speech codec (see clause 7.2) RTP payload format according to [12];
- MPEG-4 AAC audio codec (see clause 7.3) RTP payload format according to RFC 3016 [13];
- MPEG-4 video codec (see clause 7.4) RTP payload format according to RFC 3016 [13];
- H.263 [22] video codec (see clause 7.4) RTP payload format according to RFC 2429 [14];

[NOTE: The payload format RFC 3016 for MPEG-4 AAC specify that the audio streams shall be formatted by the LATM \(Low-overhead MPEG-4 Audio Transport Multiplex\) tool \[21\]. It should be noted that the references for the LATM format in the RFC 3016 \[13\] point to an older version of the LATM format than included in \[21\]. In \[21\] a corrigendum to the LATM tool is included. This corrigendum includes changes to the LATM format making implementations using the corrigendum incompatible with implementations not using it. To avoid future interoperability problems, implementations of PSS client and servers supporting AAC shall follow the changes to the LATM format included in \[21\].](#)

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Source:	⌘ TSG SA WG4		
Work item code:	⌘ PSTREAM Date: ⌘ 11 March 2002		
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Reason for change:	⌘ At the time TS 26.234 was approved the RFC for the XHTML MIME media type had not been published yet, it was still a draft. The MIME type definition was instead put into Annex C of TS 26.234 together with a note that it would be updated when the RFC was published.
Summary of change:	⌘ The definition of the XHTML MIME media type in Annex C is replaced with a reference to the RFC 3236.
Consequences if not approved:	⌘ TS 26.234 Release 4 will not have the correct reference for the XHTML MIME media type.

Clauses affected:	⌘ Clauses 2, 5.4 and Annex C.
Other specs affected:	⌘ <input type="checkbox"/> Other core specifications ⌘ <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Test specifications <input type="checkbox"/> O&M Specifications
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5.4 MIME media types

For continuous media (speech, audio and video) the following MIME media types shall be used:

- AMR narrow band speech codec (see clause 7.2) MIME media type as defined in [11];
- AMR wide band speech codec (see clause 7.2) MIME media type as defined in [12];
- MPEG-4 AAC audio codec (see clause 7.3) MIME media type as defined in RFC 3016 [13].
- MPEG-4 video codec (see clause 7.4) MIME media type as defined in RFC 3016 [13];
- H.263 [22] video codec (see clause 7.4) MIME media type as defined in annex C, clause C.1 of the present document.

MIME media types for JPEG, GIF and XHTML can be used both in the "Content-type" field in HTTP and in the "type" attribute in SMIL 2.0. The following MIME media types shall be used for these media:

- JPEG (see clause 7.5) MIME media type as defined in [15];

- GIF (see clause 7.6) MIME media type as defined in [15];
- XHTML (see clause 7.8) MIME media type as defined in [\[16\]](#) ~~annex C clause C.2 of the present document.~~

MIME media type used for SMIL files shall be according to [31] and for SDP files according to [6].

Annex C (normative): MIME media types

C.1 MIME media type H263-2000

MIME media type name: video

MIME subtype name: H263-2000

Required parameters: None

Optional parameters:

profile: H.263 profile number, in the range 0 through 8, specifying the supported H.263 annexes/subparts.

level: Level of bitstream operation, in the range 0 through 99, specifying the level of computational complexity of the decoding process. When no profile and level parameters are specified, Baseline Profile (Profile 0) level 10 are the default values.

The profile and level specifications can be found in [23]. Note that the RTP payload format for H263-2000 is the same as for H263-1998 and is defined in [14], but additional annexes/subparts are specified along with the profiles and levels.

NOTE: The above text will be replaced with a reference to the RFC describing the H263-2000 MIME media type as soon as this becomes available.

~~C.2 MIME media type xhtml+xml~~

~~MIME media type name: application~~

~~MIME subtype name: xhtml+xml~~

~~Required parameters: none~~

~~Optional parameters:~~

~~charset: This parameter has identical semantics to the charset parameter of the "application/xml" media type as specified in [16].~~

~~NOTE: The above text will be replaced with a reference to the RFC describing the xhtml+xml MIME media type as soon as this becomes available.~~