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1 Scope

The present document shall provide a specification of the UTRAN RNC-RNC (Iur) interface Data Transport and Transport Signalling for Common Transport Channel data streams.

2 References

The following documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of the present document.

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[1]   ITU-T Recommendation I.361 (11/95): "B-ISDN ATM Layer Specification".

[2]   ITU-T Recommendation I.363.2 (11/2000): "B-ISDN ATM Adaptation Layer type 2".

[3]   ITU-T Recommendation I.366.1 (6/98): "Segmentation and Re-assembly Service Specific Convergence Sublayer for the AAL type 2".

[4]   New ITU-T Recommendation Q.2630.1 (1999): "AAL Type 2 signalling protocol (Capability Set 1)".

[5]   ITU-T Recommendation E.191 (10/96): "B-ISDN numbering and addressing".

[6]   3GPP TS 25.426: "UTRAN I_{ur} and I_{ub} Interface Data Transport & Transport Signalling for DCH Data Streams".

[7]   3GPP TS 25.434: "UTRAN I_{ub} Interface Data Transport & Transport Signalling for Common Transport Channel Data Streams".

[8]   ITU-T Recommendation Q.2630.2 (12/2000): "AAL Type 2 signalling protocol (Capability Set 2)".

3 Definitions and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

Common Transport Channels are defined as transport channels that are shared by several users i.e. RACH, CPCH [FDD], FACH and DSCH.

3.2 Abbreviations

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

AAL2	ATM Adaptation Layer type 2
AESA	ATM End System Address
ALCAP	Access Link Control Application Part
ATM	Asynchronous Transfer Mode
CPCH	Common Packet Channel

CPS	Common Part Sublayer
DSCH	Downlink Shared Channel
FACH	Forward Access Channel
LC	Link Characteristics
MTP	Message Transfer Part
NNI	Network-Node Interface
NSAP	Network Service Access Point
PT	Path Type
RACH	Random Access Channel
SAAL	Signalling ATM Adaptation Layer
SSCOP	Service Specific Connection Oriented Protocol
SSCF	Service Specific Co-ordination Function
SSCS	Service Specific Convergence Sublayer
SSSAR	Service Specific Segmentation and Re-assembly sublayer
STC	Signalling Transport Converter
UNI	User-Network Interface
USCH	Uplink Shared Channel

4 ATM Layer

4.1 General

ATM shall be used in the transport network user plane and the transport network control plane according to ITU-T Recommendation I.361 [1]. The structure of the cell header used in the UTRAN Iur interface is the cell header format and encoding at NNI (see Figure 3/I.361 [1]).

5 I$_{ur}$ Data Transport for Common Transport Channel Data Streams

5.1 Introduction

This clause specifies the transport layers that support Common Channels (FACH, RACH, CPCH [FDD], DSCH, USCH [TDD]) Iur data streams.

5.2 Transport Layer

ATM [1], AAL type 2 (ITU-T Recommendations I.363.2 [2] and I.366.1 [3]) is used as the standard transport layer for RACH, CPCH [FDD], FACH, USCH [TDD] and DSCH Iur data streams.

These AAL2 connections are established via the transport signalling protocol described in clause 5.
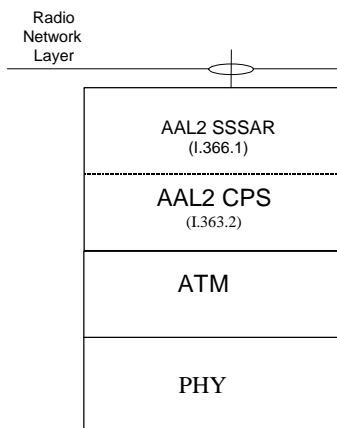
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Figure 1: Protocol stack for RACH, CPCH [FDD], FACH, USCH [TDD] and DSCH data transport on Iur

Figure 1 shows the protocol stack for the transport of RACH, CPCH [FDD], FACH, USCH [TDD] and DSCH Iur data streams. Service Specific Segmentation and Re-assembly (SSSAR) is used for the segmentation and re-assembly of AAL2 SDUs (i.e. SSSAR is only considered from ITU-T Recommendation I.366.1 [3]).

6 I$_{ur}$ Transport Signalling for Common Transport Channel Data Streams

6.1 Introduction

This clause specifies the transport signalling protocol(s) used to establish the user plane transport bearers. The protocol stack is shown in [6].

6.2 Transport Signalling

AAL2 signalling protocol Capability Set 2, ITU-T Recommendation Q.2630.2 [8], is the signalling protocol to control the AAL2 connections on Iur interfaces. Q.2630.2 [8] adds new optional capabilities to Q.2630.1 [4].

AAL2 transport layer addressing is based on embedded E.164 or AESA variants of the NSAP addressing format [5]. Native E.164 addressing shall not be used.

Binding ID provided by the radio network layer shall be copied in SUGR parameter of ESTABLISH.request primitive of [8].

The Link Characteristics parameter (LC) shall be included in the Establish Request message and in the Modification Request message of AAL2 signalling protocol.

If there is an AAL2 switching function in the transport network layer of the interface, the Path Type parameter (PT) may be included in the Establish Request message of AAL2 signalling protocol for prioritisation at ATM level.

7 Signalling Bearer for Transport Signalling on I$_{ur}$ Interface

The signalling bearer for the ALCAP on the Iur interface for common transport channels data streams is the same as the signalling bearer for the ALCAP on the Iur interface for DCH data streams, defined in [6].

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