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1 Scope

The present document is part of the Release 5 work item "High Speed Downlink Packet Access (HSDPA) lub/lur protocol aspects". The purpose of the present document is to help the TSG RAN WG3 group to specify the changes to existing lub/lur specifications, needed for the introduction of the "High Speed Downlink Packet Access" feature for Release 5. This work task belongs to the TSG RAN Building Block "High Speed Downlink Packet Access (HSDPA)".

2 References

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- [1] RP-010262: "High Speed Downlink Packet Access (HSDPA; Work Item Description" (http://www.3gpp.org/ftp/tsg_ran/TSG_RAN/TSGR_11/Docs/PDFs/).
- [2] 3GPP TR 25.855 (V5.0.0): "High Speed Downlink Packet Access (HSDPA); Overall UTRAN description".
- [3] 3GPP TS 25.308 (V5.2.0): "UTRA High Speed Downlink Packet Access (HSDPA); Overall description; Stage 2".
- [4] 3GPP TS 25.401: "UTRAN Overall Description".
- [5] 3GPP TS 25.420: "UTRAN Iur Interface General Aspects and Principles".
- [6] 3GPP TS 25.423: "UTRAN Iur Interface RNSAP Signalling".
- [7] 3GPP TS 25.425: "UTRAN Iur Interface User Plane Protocols for Common Transport Channel Data Streams".
- [8] 3GPP TS 25.430: "UTRAN lub Interface: General Aspects and Principles".
- [9] 3GPP TS 25.433: "UTRAN lub Interface NBAP Signalling".
- [10] 3GPP TS 25.435: "UTRAN lub Interface User Plane Protocols for Common Transport Channel Data Streams".

3 Definitions, symbols and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the following terms and definitions apply:

Version Flag (VF): The VF field is a one bit flag providing extension capabilities of the MAC-hs PDU format. The VF field shall be set to zero and the value one is reserved in this version of the protocol.

Queue identifier (Queue ID): The Queue ID field provides identification of the reordering queue in the receiver, in order to support independent buffer handling of data belonging to different reordering queues.

Transmission Sequence Number (TSN): The TSN field provides an identifier for the transmission sequence number on the HS-DSCH. The TSN field is used for reordering purposes to support in-sequence delivery to higher layers.

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Size index identifier (SID): The SID fields identify the size of a set of consecutive MAC-d PDUs. The MAC-d PDU size for a given SID is configured by higher layers and is independent for each Queue ID.

Number of MAC-D PDUs (N): The number of consecutive MAC-d PDUs with equal size is identified with the N field.

Flag (F): The F field is a flag indicating if more SID fields are present in the MAC-hs header or not. If the F field is set to "0" the F field is followed by a SID field. If the F field is set to "0" the F field is followed by a MAC-d PDU.

3.2 Symbols

None.

3.3 Abbreviations

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

CFN	Connection Frame Number
СР	Control Plane
DCH	Dedicated Channel
FP	Frame Protocol
H-A RQ	Hybrid Automatic Repeat reQuest
HSDPA	High Speed Downlink Packet Access
HS-DPCCH	High Speed Dedicated Physical Control Channel
HS-DSCH	High Speed Downlink Shared Channel
HS-PDSCH	High Speed Physical Downlink Shared Channel
HS-SCCH	High Speed Shared Control Channel
HS-SICH	HSDPA Shared Information Channel
MAC-hs	Medium Access Control-high speed
RL	Radio Link
SID	Size InDex
TB	Transport Block
TFRI	Transport Format and Resource Indicator
UP	User Plane

4 Background and Introduction

In RAN#11 plenary meeting a work item [1] was approved for High Speed Downlink Packet Access. The work item includes techniques such as adaptive modulation and coding, H-ARQ and fast scheduling with the goal to increase throughput, reduce delay and achieve high peak rates.

5 Requirements

In addition to the overall system requirements outlined and agreed upon in clause 5 of [2], the following specific requirements to RAN3 should be applied:

1. Alignments between the TDD mode and the FDD mode HSDPA solution are desirable. Although, these should not take precedence if it leads to major performance degradations in one mode.

6 Study Areas

6.1 Impacts on lub Interface - General Aspects

The protocol architecture of HSDPA is described in [3]. From the figure 1 and from the figures describing MAC architecture it is obvious that general aspects and principles of Iub interface should be updated accordingly. One new MAC functional entity, the MAC-hs, is added to the R99 architecture. The MAC-hs is located in the Node B. If one or more HS-DSCHs are in operation the MAC-hs SDUs to be transmitted are transferred from MAC-d via MAC-c/sh to the MAC-hs via the Iub interface. The transport channel that the HSDPA functionality will use is called HS-DSCH. The transport channel is controlled by MAC-hs. The HS-DSCH FP will handle the data transport from SRNC to CRNC (if the Iur interface is involved) and between CRNC and the Node B.

Items to be added/modified to Iub interface for preparing Node B logical model for HS-DSCH are (subclauses according to TS 25.430):

- 4.4 Iub Interface Capabilities
 - 4.4.x Iub HS-DSCH data stream

The lub interface provides the means for transport of high speed downlink shared channel, HS-DSCH, data frames between RNC and Node B. An lub HS-DSCH data stream corresponds to the data carried on one MAC-d flow for one UE. A UE may have multiple HS-DSCH data streams.

- 4.5 Iub Interface Characteristics
 - 4.5.1 Mapping of Iub data streams

HS-DSCH: One Iub HS-DSCH data stream is carried on one transport bearer. For each HS-DSCH data stream, a transport bearer must be established over the Iub interface.

- 5.2 Functional split over Iub
 - 5.2.1 Traffic management of High Speed Shared Channels

The high speed shared channels shall be controlled from the Node B. This includes the control of the HS-DSCH channels as well as the required control channels on the radio interface.

- 6 Node B logical Model over Iub
 - 6.1 Overview

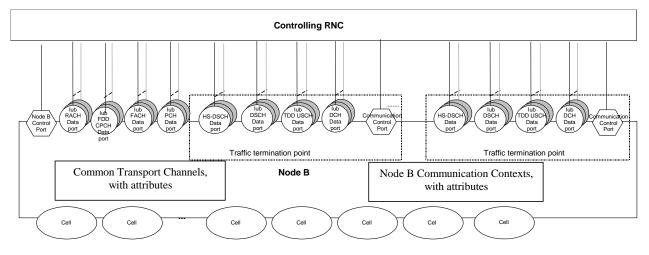


Figure 1: Logical Model of Node B

- 6.2 Elements of the logical model
 - 6.2.1 Node B Communication Contexts for Dedicated and Shared Channels

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A Node B Communication Context corresponds to all the dedicated resources that are necessary for a user in dedicated mode and using dedicated and/or shared channels as restricted to a given Node B. [TDD - The Node B Communication Context also exists for users in Cell_FACH mode (i.e. non-dedicated mode) provided a USCH and/or DSCH and/or HS-DSCH has been allocated to these users.]

There are a number of Node B Communication Contexts inside a given Node B.

The attributes to a Node B Communication Context shall include the following (not exhaustive):

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- The list of Cells where dedicated and/or shared physical resources are used.
- The list of DCH which are mapped on the dedicated physical resources for that Node B Communication Context.
- The list of DSCH and USCH [TDD] which are used by the respective UE.
- The list of HS-DSCH MAC-d flows which are used by the respective UE.
- The complete DCH characteristics for each DCH, identified by its DCH-identifier [4].
- The complete Transport Channel characteristics for each DSCH and USCH, identified by its Shared Channel identifier [4].
- HS-DSCH characteristics for each HS-DSCH.
- The list of Iub DCH Data Ports.
- The list of Iub DSCH Data ports and Iub USCH data ports.
- The list of Iub HS-DSCH Data ports.
- For each Iub DCH Data Port, the corresponding DCH and cells which are carried on this data port.
- For each Iub DSCH and USCH data port, the corresponding DSCH or USCH and cells which serve that DSCH or USCH.
- For each Iub HS-DSCH data port, the corresponding HS-DSCH data stream and cells which serve that HS-DSCH data stream.
- Physical layer parameters (outer loop power control, etc).

6.2.3.x Iub HS-DSCH Data Port

An Iub HS-DSCH Data Port represents a user plane bearer carrying one Iub HS-DSCH Data Stream between the Node B and the RNC.

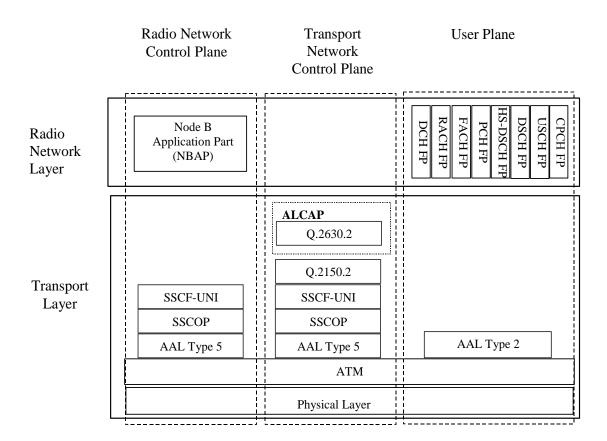
- 6.2.3.3 Traffic Termination Point represents DCH, DSCH, HS-DSCH and USCH [TDD] data streams belonging to one or more Node B Communication Contexts (UE contexts), which are controlled via one Communication Control Port. The Traffic Termination Point is thus a descriptive entity which neither is controlled over Iub nor by O&M.
- 6.2.4 Radio Network Logical resources
 - 6.2.4.4 Physical Shared Channels

Physical Shared Channels includes the Physical Downlink Shared Channels (PDSCH), High Speed Physical Shared Channels (HS-PDSCH) and [TDD - The Physical Uplink Shared Channels (PUSCH)]. These PDSCH and PUSCH [TDD] are special cases of the Common Physical Channels.

[FDD - A HS-PDSCH is defined by a channelisation code within a code subtree that is configured within a specific Communication Context. The HS-PDSCH is activated dynamically as part of the HS-DSCH scheduling.]

[TDD - A HS-PDSCH is defined by a channelisation code, a time slot and other Physical Channel parameters. The HS-PDSCH is activated dynamically as part of the HS-DSCH scheduling.]

7 Iub Interface Protocol Structure



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6.2 Impacts on lub/lur Control Plane Protocols

6.2.1 HSDPA Signalling Requirements (Comparison between DSCH and HS-DSCH)

With respect to the majority of R99/Rel4 transport channels, HS-DSCH is different in several aspects. We focus on the following:

- 1) the HS-DSCH Transport Block Set consists of one Transport Block only;
- 2) one Transport Block corresponds to several MAC-d PDUs (i.e. MAC-hs SDUs);
- 3) there is only one CCTrCH of HS-DSCH type per UE.

According to point 1), the Transport Format Set definition is very much simplified in that it is entirely determined by the Transport Block size. Point 3) obviates the need for any Transport Format Combinations.

HS-DSCH makes use of explicit out-of-band signalling carried on the HS-SCCH channels. The following out-of-band signalling information is carried on a per-TTI basis:

- channelisation code set (a set of up to 15 codes chosen in a contiguous manner from the global HSDPA code set);
- modulation scheme (either QPSK or 16-QAM);
- Transport Block size;
- H-ARQ process;
- Redundancy and Constellation version;
- New data indicator;
- UE identity.

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In addition, the size of the MAC-d PDUs belonging to a Transport Block is carried in every MAC-hs header. Hence, almost all information required for signal decoding is *explicitly* signalled, which is a departure from the DSCH paradigm where a lot of configuration is needed (e.g. TB size, TB set size, channelisation codes). The only parameter related to Transport Formats that remains to be configured for HS-DSCH is the allowed set of Transport Block sizes.

The following table summarise the main differences between DSCH and HS-DSCH from a configuration viewpoint.

	DSCH	HS-DSCH
Static part (CP configured)	 TTI; Type of Channel coding; Coding rate; Rate matching attribute; CRC size. 	 Parameters related to MAC-d Flow Specific Information: BLER Allocation/Retention Priority Priority Queue Information
Static part (not configured via CP)	N/A	 Process memory size. TTI = 2ms for FDD, 10ms for 3.84Mcps TDD, and 5ms for 1.28Mcps TDD; Channel coding = turbo; Coding rate = 1/3; CRC size = 24bits; Spreading factor = 16.
Dynamic part (UP)	 TF Combinations consisting of: TB size; TB Set size; Channelisation codes. 	 There are no TF Combinations. Transport Format info consists of: one or several MAC-d PDU SIDs and the number of consecutive PDUs with these sizes (N) (in MAC-hs PDU header); Transport Format indicating the TB size and modulation scheme (on HS-SCCH).
TB and TB Set meaning	1 TB = 1 MAC-c/sh SDU + Header (TCTF, UE-id type, UE-id) 1 TB Set = N * TB	1 TB = N * MAC-d PDU + Header (VF, Queue ID, TSN, SID, N, F) 1 TB Set = 1 TB
Spreading Factor TFCI or TFRI meaning	variable TFCI identifies a TFC i.e.: • TB size; • TB Set size; • Channelisation codes.	fixed = 16 Explicitly signalled via TFRI: • TB size; • Channelisation code set; • Modulation scheme. Implicitly signalled: • MAC-d PDU size (via MAC-hs PDU header).
UE identifier	added by CRNC in the MAC-c/sh header; transparent to Node B	used by Node B for a UE-specific CRC in HS- SCCH and/or HS-DSCH
	g assumption is that the same scrambling code the same or a different scrambling code.	e is used for HS-PDSCH and HS-SCCH. The

It is obvious that HS-DSCH needs less configuration related to Transport Formats and channel coding for two reasons :

- 1. many HS-DSCH parameters are already fixed (e.g. TTI, Channel coding, Coding rate, CRC size, Spreading factor); and
- 2. a lot of HS-DSCH information is explicitly or implicitly signalled via HS-SCCH (e.g. TB size, Channelisation code set, modulation scheme, MAC-d PDU size).

On the other hand, HS-DSCH needs some additional static configuration information related to UE capabilities (including H-ARQ process info), which has no equivalent in DSCH.

Also shown in the table are some important semantic innovations with HSDPA:

- a single HS-DSCH Transport Block may consist of several MAC-d PDUs; and
- the MAC-hs header carries new types of information (VF, Queue ID, TSN, SID, N, F) instead of/along with a UE-id.

6.2.2 Impacts on NBAP Procedures

For supporting HSDPA, the radio link (which shall carry the HS-DSCH) has to be set up or reconfigured.

Examples of parameters that are necessary for HSDPA are the following:

- configuration of the HS-SCCH;
- configuration of HS-DSCH;
- etc.

The following procedures of NBAP have to be changed in order to initiate the HS-DSCH configuration and capacity allocation:

Radio Link Setup (FDD and TDD)

To support HSDPA, one or more HS-DSCHs have to be set up in addition to the DCH. The CRNC sends a RADIO LINK SETUP REQUEST to the Node B, containing the necessary parameters for HS-DSCH configuration (HS-DSCH id, transport format set, etc.).

The message RADIO LINK SETUP RESPONSE should provide information about HS-DSCHs that have been established or modified.

Synchronised Radio Link Reconfiguration Preparation (FDD and TDD)

The message RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION PREPARE has to include the information that allows the Node B the addition, modification or deletion of HS-DSCHs. If a HS-DSCH is added or modified, the parameters concerning HS-DSCH configuration have to be sent to the Node B (HS-DSCH id, transport format set, etc.).

The message RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION READY should provide information about HS-DSCHs that have been established or modified.

Physical Shared Channel Reconfiguration (FDD and TDD)

The information about the assigning of HS-DSCH related resources to the Node B is sent in the message PHYSICAL SHARED CHANNEL RECONFIGURATION REQUEST from CRNC to Node B.

6.2.2.1 Impacts on Dedicated NBAP Procedures and Message Contents

In this section we focus on the dedicated NBAP procedures related to HS-DSCH channel addition/deletion:

- Radio Link Setup; and
- Synchronised Radio Link Reconfiguration Preparation.

The following four NBAP messages are involved in these two procedures:

- 1. RADIO LINK SETUP REQUEST;
- 2. RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION PREPARE;
- 3. RADIO LINK SETUP RESPONSE; and
- 4. RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION READY.

Signalling means is needed in NBAP for:

- configuring HS-DSCH transport and physical channels; and
- providing information on codes allocated to HS-SCCH.

Our intent is to use messages 1) and 2) for configuring HS-DSCH channels at the Node B. The relevant information would be carried in a new *HS-DSCH FDD Information* IE or *HS-DSCH TDD Information* IE, in the same way it is done today with its DSCH equivalent.

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Messages 3) and 4) would be used by Node B to inform the CRNC about the codes allocated by Node B for the HS -SCCH channels. The relevant information would be carried in a new *HS-DSCH FDD Information Response* IE or *HS-DSCH TDD Information Response* IE, in the same way it is done today with its DSCH equivalent.

Note that we use **RNSAP** IEs as a starting point for the definition of new **NBAP** IEs. This is explained by the fact that the Node B with HSDPA performs several functions (e.g. code allocation, scheduling) similar to those performed by CRNC/DRNC with DSCH. The data units carried on Iub are now *MAC SDU flows* rather then Transport Block flows, which is again similar to the DSCH case over Iur.

6.2.2.1.1 DSCH-related IEs in RNSAP

- DSCH FDD Information IE in RNSAP.

IE/Group Name	Presence	Range	IE type and reference	Semantics description	Criticality	Assigned Criticality
DSCH Specific FDD		1 <maxnoo< td=""><td></td><td></td><td>-</td><td></td></maxnoo<>			-	
Information		fDSCHs>				
>DSCH ID	Μ		9.2.1.26A		-	
>TrCh Source	М		9.2.1.65		-	
Statistics Descriptor						
>Transport Format	М		9.2.1.64	For DSCH	-	
Set						
>Allocation/Retention	М		9.2.1.1		-	
Priority						
>Scheduling Priority	М		9.2.1.51A		-	
Indicator						
>BLER	М		9.2.1.4		-	
PDSCH RL ID	М		RL ID		-	
			9.2.1.49			
TFCS	М		9.2.1.63	For DSCH	-	
>Enhanœd DSCH PC	0		9.2.2.13D		YES	ignore

The DSCH FDD Information IE provides information for DSCHs to be established.

Range bound	Explanation
MaxnoofDSCHs	Maximum number of DSCHs for one UE.

- DSCH FDD Information Response IE in RNSAP.

The DSCH FDD Information Response IE provides information for DSCHs that have been established or modified.

IE/Group Name	Presence	Range	IE type and reference	Semantics description	Criticality	Assigned Criticality
DSCH Specific FDD		1 <maxnoo< td=""><td></td><td></td><td>-</td><td></td></maxnoo<>			-	
Information Response		fDSCHs>				
>DSCH ID	M		9.2.1.26A		-	
>DSCH Flow Control	M		9.2.1.26B		-	
Information						
>Binding ID	0		9.2.1.3		-	
>Transport Layer Address	0		9.2.1.62		-	
PDSCH Code Mapping	M		9.2.2.27A	PDSCH code	-	
				mapping to		
				be used		

Range bound	Explanation		
MaxnoofDSCHs	Maximum number of DSCHs for one UE.		

6.2.2.1.2 Proposed HS-DSCH-related IEs for NBAP for Downlink Signalling

6.2.2.1.2.1 Option 1 - One Transport Bearer per HS-DSCH MAC-d Flow

It is assumed that HS-DSCH MAC-d flows are carried over Iub interface in the same way as DSCH MAC-c/sh SDU flows are in R99/Rel4 i.e. every MAC-d flow is carried on a separate transport bearer. This assumption has an impact on the details of the IE contents.

- Proposed HS-DSCH FDD Information IE for NBAP.

The *HS-DSCH FDD Information* IE provides information for HS-DSCH MAC-d flows to be established. It may be included in the RADIO LINK SETUP REQUEST or RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION PREPARE messages.

IE/Group Name	Presence	Range	IE type and reference	Semantics description	Criticality	Assigned Criticality
HS-DSCHMAC-d Flow		1 <maxnoo< td=""><td></td><td></td><td>_</td><td></td></maxnoo<>			_	
Specific Information		fMACdFlow s>				
>HS-DSCH MAC-d Flow ID ⁽²⁾	М		INTEGER		-	
			(0 <i>M</i> axnoof			
			PrioQueues			
			- 1)			
>BLER	М		INTEGER (-	Step 0.1.	-	
			630)	(Range –		
				6.30).		
				It is the Log10		
				of the BLER		
>Allocation/Retention Priority	М		9.2.1.1A		-	
>Priority Queue Information	М	1 <maxnoo< td=""><td></td><td></td><td>_</td><td></td></maxnoo<>			_	
		fPrioQueue				
		S>				
>>Priority Queue ID ⁽³⁾	М	-	INTEGER		_	
,			(0 <i>M</i> axnoof			
			PrioQueues			
			- 1)			1
>>Scheduling Priority	М		INTEGER	Relative	_	1
Indicator			(015)	priority of the		
			ľ í	HS-DSCH		
				data frame:		
				0=Lowest		
				Priority		
				15=Highest Priority		
>>MAC-d PDU Size		1 <maxnoo< td=""><td></td><td>i nonty</td><td>_</td><td></td></maxnoo<>		i nonty	_	
Index ⁽⁴⁾		fMACdPDU				
Index		indexes>				
>>>SID	М	IIIdexes>	INTEGER		_	
			(0MaxNoO			
			fMACdPDU			
			s)			
>>>MAC-d PDU Size	М		INTEGER			
			(15000,)			
JE Capabilities information			(1		_	
>Max TrCh Bits per HS-DSCH	М		ENUMERA		_	
$\Gamma \Gamma I^{(7)}$			TED (7300,			
			14600,			
			20456,			
			28800,)			
>HS-DSCH multi-code	М	+	ENUMERA	+	_	
capability ⁽⁷⁾			TED (5, 10,			
			15,)			
>Min Inter-TTI Interval ⁽⁷⁾	М		INTEGER		_	
			(1 3,)			
>MAC-hs reordering buffer	М	1	INTEGER	Total	_	1
size			(1300,)	combined		
			,,	receiving		
				buffer		
				capability in		
				RLC and		
				MAC-hs in		
				kBytes		
HARQ Information	1	1 <maxnoo< td=""><td></td><td>1</td><td>_</td><td>1</td></maxnoo<>		1	_	1
		fHARQproc				
		esses>		1		
>Process memory size	М		INTEGER(1	1	_	1
>1100000 momon 0120	1	1		1	_	1
			172800,)			
Measurement feedback offset	M		172800,)	INTEGER	_	

Range bound	Explanation
MaxnoofMACdFlows	Maximum number of HS-DSCH MAC-d flows
MaxnoofPrioQueues	Maximum number of Priority Queues. The value for
	MaxnoofPrioQueues is 8.
MaxnoofHSDSCHTFcount	Maximum number of HS-DSCH TF count
MaxnoofHARQprocesses	Maximum number of H-ARQ processes for one UE.
MaxnoofHSPDSCHcodes	Maximum number of HS-PDSCH codes
MaxnoofMACdPDUindexes	Maximum number of different MAC-d PDU SIDs
MaxNoOfMACdPDUs	Maximum number of different MAC-d PDUs. The value
	for MaxNoOfMACdPDUs is 8.

NOTE 1: Void.

- NOTE 2: The number of MAC-d flows is lower or equal to the number of Priority Queues.
- NOTE 3: It is assumed that each Priority Queue has a unique Priority Queue ID allocated by SRNC and distributed to Node B via NBAP/RNSAP procedures (NOTE: this detail is to be considered within RAN3; it is not in the scope of RAN2); the mapping between the 16 RAB priorities and the Priority Queue IDs is FFS.
- NOTE 4: MAC-d PDU sizes and their mapping to SIDs is determined by SRNC. Node B can impose a restriction on the maximum permitted MAC-d PDU size.
- NOTE 5: Void.
- NOTE 6: Void.
- NOTE 7: in order to avoid duplicate efforts, the parameters related to UE capabilities could be defined by pointing to the equivalent RRC definitions.

NOTE 8: Void.

NOTE 9: Void.

- Proposed HS-DSCH TDD Information IE for NBAP.

The *HS-DSCHTDD Information* IE provides information for HS-DSCH MAC-d flows to be established. It may be included in the RADIO LINK SETUP REQUEST or RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION PREPARE messages.

IE/Group Name	Presence	Range	IE type and reference	Semantics description	Criticality	Assigned Criticality
HS-DSCHMAC-d Flow		1 <maxno< th=""><th>reference</th><th></th><th></th><th></th></maxno<>	reference			
Specific Information		ofMACdFl ows>				
>HS-DSCH MAC-d Flow ID	М		INTEGER (07)		_	
>BLER	М		ÎNTÉGER (-630)	Step 0.1. (Range – 6.3…0). It is the Log10 of the BLER	_	
>Allocation/Retention Priority	М		9.2.1.1A		_	
>Priority Queue Information	М	1 <maxno ofPrioQue ues></maxno 			-	
>>Priority Queue ID	М		INTEGER (07)		-	
>>Scheduling Priority Indicator	М		INTEGER (015)	Relative priority of the HS-DSCH data frame: 0=Lowest Priority	-	
				15=Highest Priority		
>>MAC-d PDU Size Index		1 <maxno ofMACdP DUindexes ></maxno 			-	
>>>SID	М		INTEGER (07)		-	
>>>MAC-d PDU Size	М		INTÉGER (15000,)		-	
UE Capabilities information		1			-	
>HS-DSCH TrCh Bits per TTI	М		ENUMERA TED (7040, 10228, 14080,)		-	
>HS-DSCH multi-code capability	М		ENUMERA TED (8, 12, 16,)		-	
>MAC-hs reordering buffer size	М		INTEGER (1300,)	Total combined receiving buffer capability in RLC and MAC-hs in kBytes	-	
HARQ Memory partitioning		1 <maxno ofHARQpr ocesses></maxno 			-	
>Process memory size	M		INTEGER (1168960,)		-	

Range bound	Explanation
MaxnoofMACdFlows	Maximum number of HS-DSCH MAC-d flows
MaxnoofPrioQueues	Maximum number of Priority Queues
MaxnoofHARQprocesses	Maximum number of HARQ processes for one UE.
MaxnoofMACdPDUindexes	Maximum number of different MAC-d PDU SIDs
MaxNoOfHSDSCHTrChBitsPerTTI	Maximum Number of HS-DSCH Transport Channel
	Bits per TTI

- Proposed HS-DSCH FDD Information Response IE for NBAP.

The *HS-DSCH FDD Information Response* IE provides information for HS-DSCH that have been established or modified. It may be included in the RADIO LINK SETUP RESPONSE and RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION READY messages.

IE/Group Name	Presence	Range	IE type and reference	Semantics description	Criticality	Assigned Criticality
HS-DSCHMAC-d Flow		1 <maxnoo< td=""><td></td><td></td><td>-</td><td></td></maxnoo<>			-	
Specific Information		fMACdFlow				
Response		s>				
>HS-DSCH MAC-d Flow ID	Μ		INTEGER		-	
			(0 <i>M</i> axnoof			
			PrioQueues			
			- 1)			
>Binding ID	0		9.2.1.4		-	
>Transport Layer Address	0		9.2.1.63		_	
HS-SCCH Code		1 <maxnoo< td=""><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></maxnoo<>				
		<i>fHSSCCHc</i>				
		odes>				
>Code Number	М		INTEGER			
			(0127)			
Measurement feedback	М	1	ENUMERA	employed by	- 1	1
reporting cycle k1			TED (0, 1,	the UE when		
			5, 10, 20,	not in soft		
			40, 80,)	handover,		
			,	Multiples of 2		
				ms intervals;		
Measurementfeedback	М		ENUMERA	employed by	_	
reporting cycle k2			TED (0, 1,	the UE when		
			5, 10, 20,	in soft		
			40, 80,)	handover,		
			10,00,)	Multiples of 2		
				ms intervals;		
HS-DSCHMAC-d Flow		1 <maxnoo< td=""><td></td><td></td><td>_</td><td></td></maxnoo<>			_	
Specific FDD Information		fMACdFlow				
Response		s>				
>HS-DSCH MAC-d Flow ID	M	02	INTEGER		_	
			(0 <i>M</i> axnoof			
			PriorityQue			
			ues - 1)			
>Binding ID	0		9.2.1.4		_	
>Transport Layer Address	0	+	9.2.1.63	+		1
>HS-DSCH Flow Control	M	1 <maxnoo< td=""><td>5.2.1.05</td><td></td><td>-</td><td></td></maxnoo<>	5.2.1.05		-	
Information		fPriorityQue				
		ues>				
>>Priority Queue ID	M	460/	INTEGER			
	IVI		(0 <i>Maxnoof</i>			
			PriorityQue			
			ues - 1)			
>>MAC-d PDU Lengths		1 <maxnoof< td=""><td>ues - 1)</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></maxnoof<>	ues - 1)			
		MACdPDUle				
		ngths>				
>>maximum MAC-d PDU	Μ	Ĭ	INTEGER	1		
Length			(FFS)			
HS-SCCH Specific		1 <maxnoo< td=""><td></td><td>1</td><td></td><td>1</td></maxnoo<>		1		1
Information Response ⁽²⁾		fHSSCCHs				
		ets>				
>List of HS-SCCH sets ⁽³⁾	М		(FFS)	1	1	
	M		(FFS)			
>HS-SCCH set	IVI		(173)			

Range bound	Explanation
MaxnoofMACdFlows	Maximum number of HS-DSCH MAC-d flows.
MaxnoofPrioQueues	Maximum number of Priority Queues. The value for MaxnoofPrioQueues is 8.
MaxnoofMACdPDUIengths	Maximum number of different MAC-d PDU lengths
MaxnoofHSSCCHsets	Maximum number of HS-SCCH sets.

NOTE 1: Void.

NOTE 2: Void.

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NOTE 3: Void.

NOTE 4: Void.

NOTE 5: Void.

Proposed HS-DSCH TDD Information Response IE for NBAP.

The *HS-DSCHTDD Information Response* IE provides information for HS-DSCH MAC-d flows that have been established or modified. It may be included in the RADIO LINK SETUP RESPONSE and RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION READY messages.

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IE/Group Name	Presence	Range	IE type and reference	Semantics description	Criticality	Assigned Criticality
HS-DSCHMAC-d Flow		1 <maxno< td=""><td></td><td></td><td>_</td><td></td></maxno<>			_	
Specific Information		ofMACdFl				
Response		OWS>				
>HS-DSCH MAC-d Flow ID	М		INTEGER (07)		—	
>Binding ID	0		9.2.1.4		_	
>Transport Layer Address	0		9.2.1.63		-	
HS-SCCH Specific Information Response		0 <maxno OfHSSCCH codes></maxno 			GLOBAL	reject
>Time Slot	М		9.2.3.23			
>Midamble Shift and Burst Type	М		9.2.3.7		-	
>TDD Channelisation Code	М		9.2.3.19		-	
>HS-SICH Information		1			-	
>>Time Slot	М		9.2.3.23		-	
>>Midamble Shift and	М		9.2.3.7		-	
Burst Type						
>>TDD Channelisation Code	М		9.2.3.19		-	
HS-SCCH Specific Information Response LCR		0 <maxno OfHSSCCH codes></maxno 			GLOBAL	reject
>Time Slot LCR	М		9.2.3.24A		-	
>Midamble Shift LCR	М		9.2.3.7a		-	
>TDD Channelisation Code LCR	М		9.2.3.19a		-	
>HS-SICH Information LCR		1			-	
>>Time Slot LCR	М		9.2.3.24A		-	
>>Midamble Shift LCR	М		9.2.3.7a		-	
>>TDD Channelisation Code LCR	М		9.2.3.19a		-	

Range bound	Explanation
MaxnoofMACdFlows	Maximum number of HS-DSCH MAC-d flows.
MaxnoofPrioQueues	Maximum number of Priority Queues
MaxnoofMACdPDUindexes	Maximum number of different MAC-d Size Indexes
	(SIDs)
MaxnoofHSSCCHcodes	Maximum number of HS-SCCH codes

6.2.2.1.2.2 Option 2 - One Transport Bearer for Multiple HS-DSCH MAC-d Flows for Multiple UE's

RNC decides whether it wants to allow HSDPA Iub Mux or not. If RNC decides to allow Mux, it chooses candidate transport bearer to be shared and includes them in the *Transport Bearer id List* IE in *HS-DSCH MAC-d Flow Specific FDD Information* IE. If Node B receives any Transport Bearer ids in the *Transport Bearer id List* IE then it understands that the RNC will allow HSDPA Iub Mux option and chooses one transport bearer in the list. Even if the Node B

receives more than one Transport Bearer id in the *Transport Bearer id List* IE it can still decide not to share a transport bearer after which the Node B can provide new transport bearer information (TNL address and Binding id). If Node B doesn't receives *Transport Bearer id List* IE, then it assumes that RNC doesn't allow HSDPA Iub Mux and provides new transport bearer information (TNL address and Binding id).

- Proposed HS-DSCH Information IE for NBAP.

It is proposed to add one additional IE in HS-DSCH MAC-d Flow Specific Information IE for Option 2 (in addition to the already proposed additions under Option 1).

IE/Group Name	Presence	Range	IE type and reference	Semantics description	Criticality	Assigned Criticality
HS-DSCH MAC-d Flow Specific Information						
>Transport Bearer id List		0 MaxnoofTr Bearerid				
>>Transport Bearer id	М		INTEGER			

Range bound	Explanation
MaxnoofTrBearerid	Maximum number of HS-DSCH Transport bearers
	which can be shared

NOTE 1: For TDD, the same *Transport Bearer id List* IE shall be included in the TDD *HS-DSCH MAC-d Flow* Specific Information IE for NBAP.

- Proposed HS-DSCH Information Response IE for NBAP.

It is proposed to add one additional IE in HS-DSCH FDD Information Response IE.

IE/Group Name	Presence	Range	IE type and reference	Semantics description	Criticality	Assigned Criticality
HS-DSCH MAC-d Flow Specific Information Response						
>Transport Bearer Id	М		INTEGER			

- Transport Bearer Id.

The *Transport Bearer Id* IE is the identifier of the transport bearer for HS-DSCH data stream. It is unique among the transport bearers for HS-DSCHs over Iub at a certain time.

IE/Group Name	Presence	Range	IE type and reference	Semantics description
Transport Bearer Id			INTEGER	

NOTE 2: For TDD, the same *Transport Bearer Id* IE shall be included in the TDD *HS-DSCH Information Response* IE for NBAP.

6.2.2.1.3 Proposed HS-DSCH-related IEs for NBAP for Uplink Signalling

Information for HS-DPCCH (Status Indicator(ACK/NACK) and Channel Quality Indicator): current working assumption is that this channel does not need to be configured via NBAP/RNSAP procedures.

6.2.2.2 Impacts on Dedicated RNSAP Procedures and Message Contents

The information elements proposed above for NBAP could be used for RNSAP as they are.

6.2.2.3 NBAP cell-level configuration handling

6.2.2.3.1 FDD

6.2.2.3.1.1 Impact on NBAP Procedures

To configure the cell-based parameters, 3 possibilities can be considered in NBAP.

- Adding new parameters in Cell Setup/Cell Reconfiguration procedure.
- Adding new parameters in Common Transport Channel Setup/Common Transport Channel Reconfiguration procedure.
- Defining new procedures:
 - During the initial phase, there is no big difference which procedure will be used since the Cell Setup procedure and the Common Transport Channel Setup procedure are used at about same time. But reconfiguring the HS-DSCH cell based parameters should be considered rather carefully because this new function should not affect R99/REL-4 implementation too much.
 - The parameters in CELL RECONFIGURATION REQUEST message and COMMON TRANSPORT CHANNEL RECONFIGURATION REQUEST message are very static and can be considered as O&M parameters. On the other hand, HS-DSCH cell based parameters should be configured based on cell but they don't need to be that static (i.e. like the parameters in CELL RECONFIGURATION REQUEST message or COMMON TRANSPORT CHANNEL RECONFIGURATION message). Since for many reasons, (for example, load sharing,...) the RNC may need to reconfigure the cell based HS-DSCH IEs rather frequently, and we have to try to avoid affecting existing implementations too much, it is proposed to define a new procedure for delivering cell based HS-DSCH parameters.

6.2.2.3.1.2 Proposed cell based HS-DSCH IEs

IE/Group Name	Presence	Range	IE type and Reference	Semantics description	Criticality	Assigned Criticality
HSDPA Information		01		-	YES	reject
>HS_PDSCH + HS-SCCH Total Power	0		Maximum Transmissio n Power 9.2.1.40	Maximum transmission power to be allowed for HS-PDSCH and HS- SCCH codes	YES	reject
> HS-PDSCH and HS- SCCH Scrambling Code	0		DL Scrambling Code 9.2.2.13	Scrambling code on which HS- PDSCH and HS-SCCH is transmitted. 0= Primary scrambling code of the cell 115 = Secondary scrambling code	YES	reject
HS_PDSCH FDD Code Information		01	9.2.2.x1 @@@@@		YES	reject
HS-SCCH FDD Code Information		01	9.2.2.x2		YES	reject

The following parameters can be considered as cell specific and should be configured for the HSDPA resource pool.

- HS_PDSCH + HS-SCCH Total Power.

The HS_PDSCH + HS-SCCH Total Power defines the total power for all HS-PDSCHs and all HS-SCCHs.

IE/Group Name	Presence	Range	IE type and reference	Semantics description
HS_PDSCH + HS-SCCH Total Power	0		Maximum Transmission Power	Maximum transmission power to be allowed for HS-PDSCH and HS-SCCH codes
			9.2.1.40	

- Code Information for HS_PDSCH.

The Code Information for HS_PDSCH defines the number of codes, which will be assigned for HS-PDSCHs.

Information Element/Group name	Presence	Range	IE type and reference	Semantics description
Number of HS-PDSCH Codes	М		INTEGER (0maxCode NumComp-1)	
Start Code Number	C- Num Codes		Integer(0ma xCodeNumCo mp-1)	

Condition	Explanation
NumCodes	The IE shall be present if the Number of HS-PDSCH
	Codes IE is set to a value greater than 0.
Range bound	Explanation
MaxCodeNumComp	Maximum number of codes at the defined spreading
	factor, within the complete code tree.

- Code Information for HS_SCCH.

The Code Information for HS_SCCH defines the codes, which will be assigned for HS-SCCH. The Node B will assign codes for HS-SCCHs among these codes when it sets up a HS-DSCH.

Information Element/Group name	Presence	Range	IE type and reference	Semantics description
HS_SCCH Code		0< MaxnoofHS SCCHs >		
>Code Number	М		INTEGER(0 maxCodeNu mComp-1)	

Range bound	Explanation
MaxnoofHSSCCHs	Maximum number of HS-SCCHs for one cell.
MaxCodeNumComp	Maximum number of codes at the defined spreading
	factor, within the complete code tree.

6.2.2.3.2 TDD

6.2.2.3.2.1 Physical Shared Channel Reconfiguration [TDD] procedure

This information of the set of HS-PDSCHs that the Node B should use for scheduling is sent through PHYSICAL SHARED CHANNEL RECONFIGURATION REQUEST [TDD] message.

HS-PDSCH Sets to add		01			GLOBAL	Reject
>DL Timeslot Information		0 <maxnoofdlt s></maxnoofdlt 		For 3.84Mcps TDD only	-	
>>Time Slot	М		9.2.3.23		_	

>>Midamble Shift and Burst Type	М		9.2.3.7	-	
>>DL Code Information		1 <maxnoofhs -PDSCH></maxnoofhs 		_	
>>>HS-PDSCH ID	Μ		XX	_	
>>>TDD	М		9.2.3.19	_	
Channelisation Code					

HS-PDSCH Set to Modify		01			GLOBAL	Reject
>DL Timeslot Information		0 <maxnoofdlt s></maxnoofdlt 		For 3.84Mcps TDD only	-	
>>Time Slot	М		9.2.3.23		_	
>>Midamble Shift and Burst Type	0		9.2.3.7		-	
>>DL Code Information		0 <maxnoofhs -PDSCH></maxnoofhs 			-	
>>>HS-PDSCH ID	М		XX		-	
>>>TDD Channelisation Code	0		9.2.3.19		-	

Range bound	Explanation
Maxnoof HS-PDSCH	Maximum number of HS-DSCH in a cell for 3.84Mcps
	TDD only.
MaxnoofDLts	Maximum number of Downlink time slots in a cell for
	3.84Mcps TDD.

- HS-PDSCH ID.

The HS-PDSCH ID identifies unambiguously a HS-PDSCH inside a cell.

IE/Group Name	Presence	Range	IE type and reference	Semantics description
HS-PDSCH ID			INTEGER (0255)	

This information of the physical resource of HS-SCCHs (DL) and HS-SICHs (UL) is sent through COMMON TRANSPORT CHANNEL SETUP REQUEST and COMMON TRANSPORT CHANNEL RECONFIGURATION REQUEST messages.

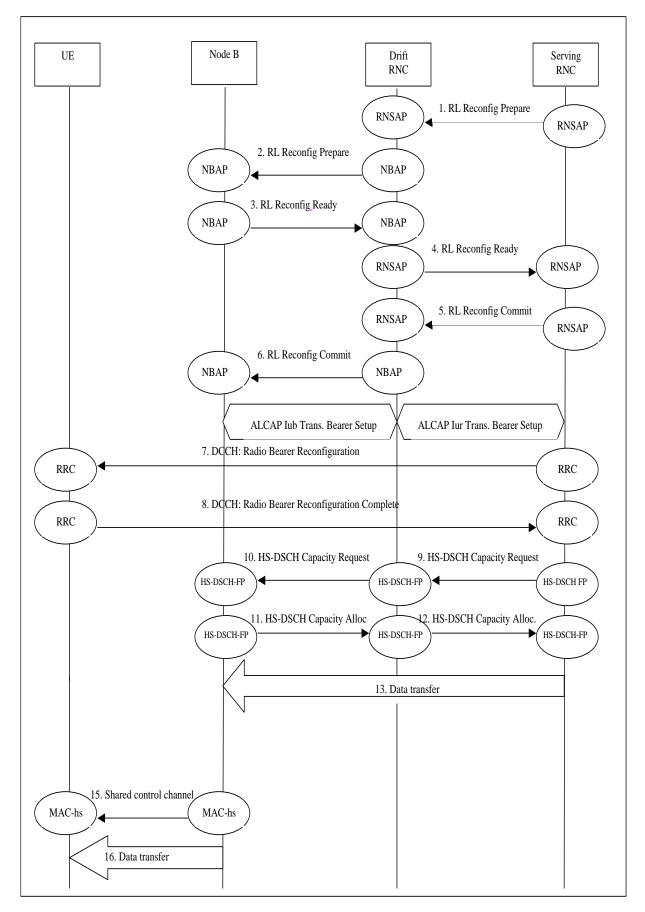
>>HS-SCCH Physical Channel Parameters		0 <max noofHS- SCCHs ></max 		GLOBAL	Reject
>>>Common Physical Channel ID	М		9.2.1.13	-	
>>>TDD Channelisation Code	М		9.2.3.19	-	
>>>Time Slot	М		9.2.3.23	_	
>>>Midamble shift and Burst Type	М		9.2.3.7	-	
>>>HS-SCCH Power	М		DL Power 9.2.1.21	-	
>>> HS-SICH Physical Channel Parameters	М	1		YES	Reject
>>>>Time Slot	М		9.2.3.23	-	
>>>>TDD Channelisation Code	Μ		9.2.3.19	-	
>>>> Midamble shift and Burst Type	FFS		9.2.3.6	-	

Range bound	Explanation
MaxnooHS-SCCHs	Maximum number of HS-SCCH in a cell for 3.84Mcps
	TDD.

6.2.3 Example of HS-DSCH Configuration and Capacity Allocation

The following picture is an example sequence chart explaining the setup of HS-DSCH. It is assumed that the UE is in cell_DCH state. In case no RL have already been established, the Radio Link Setup procedure is used instead of the Radio Link Reconfiguration procedure.

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Example 1

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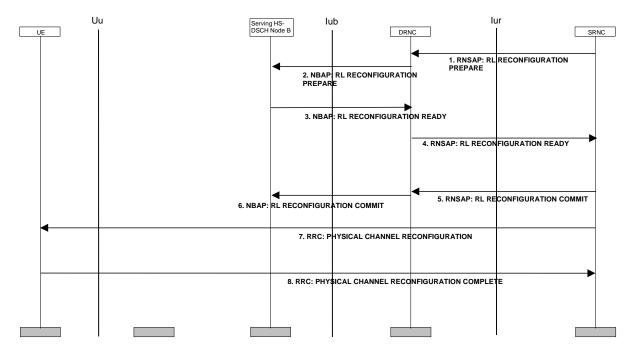
- 1. For supporting HSDPA, the radio link which shall carry the HS-DSCH has to be reconfigured. The SRNC initiates a Radio Link Reconfiguration by sending RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION PREPARE message to DRNC.
- 2. The DRNC requests the respective Node B to prepare the synchronised RL reconfiguration by sending the NBAP RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION PREPARE message.
- 3. Node B configures resources for the HS-DSCH and responds with NBAP RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION READY message.
- 4. When the DRNC has completed the preparation phase, RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION READY message is sent to the SRNC.
- 5. RNSAP RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION COMMIT message is sent from SRNC to DRNC.
- 6. NBAP RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION COMMIT message is sent from DRNC to Node B.
- 7. The SRNC sends a RADIO BEARER RECONFIGURATION message to the UE to establish the requested HS-DSCH.
- 8. The UE replies with a RADIO BEARER RECONFIGURATION COMPLETE message. At this point in time, the HS-DSCH Transport Channel has been set up, and it is assumed that the MAC-hs in the Node B has already been configured earlier to have access to a pool of HS-PDSCH resources for HS-DSCH scheduling.
- 9. As soon as the SRNC detects the necessity to send HS-DL data on one HS-DSCH, it sends a HS-DSCH CAPACITY REQUEST control frame within the HS-DSCH Frame Protocol to the CRNC.
- 10. The CRNC forwards this message (HS-DSCH CAPA CITY REQUEST control frame) to the Node B. So in this example sequence, the CRNC does not interfere with the HS-DSCH scheduling.
- 11. The Node B determines the amount of data (credits) that can be transmitted on the HS-DSCH and reports this information back to the DRNC in a HS-DSCH CAPACITY ALLOCATION control frame in the HS-DSCH Frame Protocol.
- 12. The DRNC sends the HS-DSCH CAPACITY ALLOCATION control frame to SRNC. So again, the DRNC does not react itself to that message in this example.
- The SRNC starts sending DL data to the Node B. (This is done via the two HS-DSCH Frame Protocol "hops" on Iur and Iub interface.)
 The Node B schedules the DL transmission of DL data on HS-DSCH which includes allocation of PDSCH resources.
- 14. Void.
- 15. The Node B transmits the signalling information (HS-PDSCH coordinates) to the UE using the HS-SCCH.
- 16. The Node B sends the HS-DSCH data to the UE on the HS-PDSCH(s).

6.2.4 Examples of HS-DSCH Mobility Procedures

NOTE: All signalling flows in this subclause assume that the non multiplexing of flows for different UE's on one transport bearer is used (Option 1 - One Transport Bearer per HS-DSCH Transport Channel).

6.2.4.1 Intra-Node B serving HS-DSCH cell change

An example of an intra-Node B serving HS-DSCH cell change while keeping the active set is shown in the figure below.

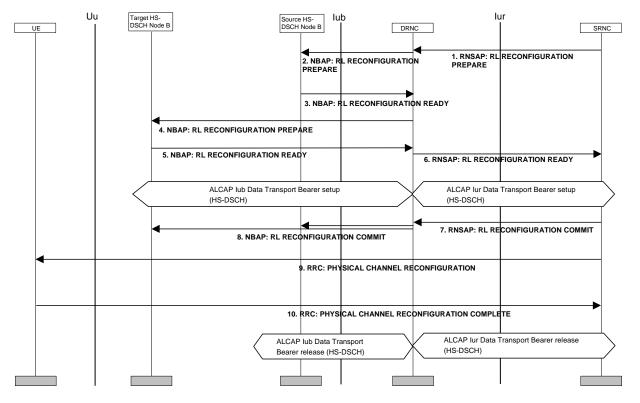


Example 2: Intra-Node B serving HS-DSCH cell change

- 1. The SRNC decides there is a need for a serving HS-DSCH cell change and prepares a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION PREPARE message which is transmitted to the DRNC. The message includes an identification of the target HS-DSCH cell.
- 2. In this case, both the source and target HS-DSCH cells are controlled by the same Node B. The DRNC requests the serving HS-DSCH Node B to perform a synchronised radio link reconfiguration using the RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION PREPARE message. The reconfiguration comprises a transfer of the HS-DSCH resources from the source HS-DSCH radio link to the target HS-DSCH radio link. The message includes also necessary information to setup the HS-DSCH resources in the target HS-DSCH cell, including a DRNC selected HS-DSCH UE identity.
- 3. The serving HS-DSCH Node B returns a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION READY message.
- 4. The DRNC returns a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION READY message to the SRNC. The message includes HS-SCCH set info, scrambling code for the target HS-DSCH cell and the HS-DSCH UE identity.
- 5. The SRNC now proceeds by transmitting RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION COMMIT message to the DRNC including an SRNC selected activation time in the form of a CFN.
- 6. The DRNC transmits a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION COMMIT message to the serving HS-DSCH Node B including the activation time. At the indicated activation time, the serving HS-DSCH Node B stops HS-DSCH transmission to the UE in the source HS-DSCH cell and starts HS-DSCH transmission to the UE in the target HS-DSCH cell.
- 7. The SRNC transmits a PHYSICAL CHANNEL RECONFIGURATION message to the UE. The message includes activation time, MAC-hs reset indicator, serving HS-DSCH radio link indicator, HS-SCCH set info and HS-DSCH UE identity.
- 8. At the indicated activation time the UE resets MAC-hs, stops receiving HS-DSCH in the source HS-DSCH cell and starts HS-DSCH reception in the target HS-DSCH cell. The UE returns a PHYSICAL CHANNEL RECONFIGURATION COMPLETE message to the SRNC.

6.2.4.2 Inter-Node B serving HS-DSCH cell change

An example of an inter-Node B serving HS-DSCH cell change while keeping the active set is shown in the figure below.



Example 3: Inter-Node B serving HS-DSCH cell change

- 1. The SRNC decides there is a need for a serving HS-DSCH cell change and prepares a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION PREPARE message which is transmitted to the DRNC. The message indicates the target HS-DSCH cell.
- 2. In this case, the source and target HS-DSCH cells are controlled by different Node Bs. The DRNC requests the source HS-DSCH Node B to perform a synchronised radio link reconfiguration using the RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION PREPARE message, removing its HS-DSCH resources for the source HS-DSCH radio link.
- 3. The source HS-DSCH Node B returns a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION READY message including an indicator that MAC-hs will reset as a result of the reconfiguration.
- 4. The DRNC requests the target HS-DSCH Node B to perform a synchronised radio link reconfiguration using the RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION PREPARE message, adding HS-DSCH resources for the target HS-DSCH radio link. The message includes also necessary information to setup the HS-DSCH resources in the target HS-DSCH cell, including a DRNC selected HS-DSCH UE identity.
- 5. The target HS-DSCH Node B returns a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION READY message.
- 6. The DRNC returns a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION READY message to the SRNC. The message includes HS-SCCH set info, scrambling code for the target HS-DSCH cell and the HS-DSCH UE identity.
- 7. The HS-DSCH transport bearer to the target HS-DSCH Node B is established. The SRNC proceeds by transmitting RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION COMMIT to the DRNC including an SRNC selected activation time in the form of a CFN.
- 8. The DRNC transmits a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION COMMIT message to the source HS-DSCH Node B and the target HS-DSCH Node B including the activation time. At the indicated activation time the source HS-DSCH Node B stops and the target HS-DSCH Node B starts transmitting on the HS-DSCH to the UE.
- 9. The SRNC also transmits a PHYSICAL CHANNEL RECONFIGURATION message to the UE. The message includes activation time, MAC-hs reset indicator, serving HS-DSCH radio link indicator, HS-SCCH set info and HS-DSCH UE identity.

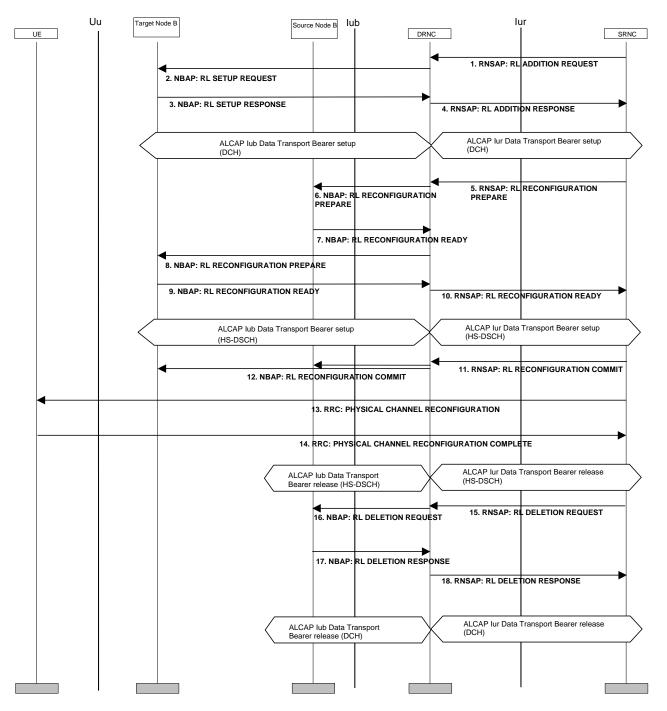
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 At the indicated activation time the UE resets MAC-hs, stops receiving HS-DSCH in the source HS-DSCH cell and starts HS-DSCH reception in the target HS-DSCH cell. The UE returns a PHYSICAL CHANNEL RECONFIGURATION COMPLETE message to the SRNC. The HS-DSCH transport bearer to the source HS-DSCH Node B is then released.

6.2.4.3 Inter-Node B serving HS-DSCH cell change at hard handover

Two examples of hard handover combined with an inter-Node B serving HS-DSCH cell change are shown in figures below.

In the first example the source Node B and the target Node B are controlled by the same DRNC. The HS-DSCH mobility procedure is performed in two steps: the first step consists of establishing a new radio link without the HS-DSCH resources; the next step is a transfer of the HS-DSCH resources to this new radio link followed by a release of the old radio link. In the radio interface, a combined procedure is used.



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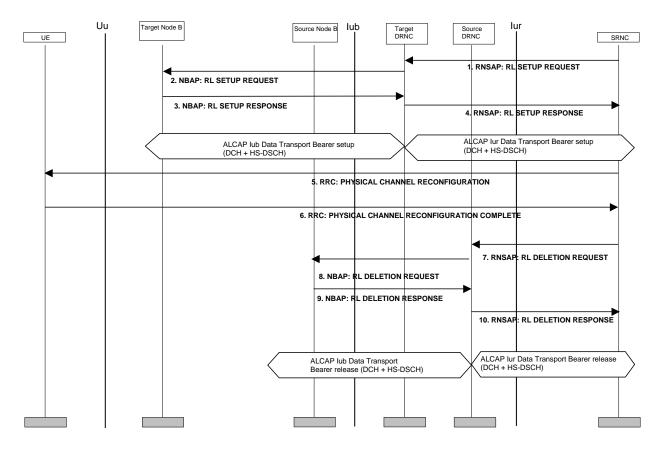
Example 4: Inter-Node B serving HS-DSCH cell change during hard handover (two step approach)

- 1. The SRNC decides that there is a need for a hard handover combined with a serving HS-DSCH cell change. It prepares a RADIO LINK ADDITION REQUEST message, which is transmitted to the DRNC. The message indicates the target cell for hard handover.
- 2. The DRNC allocates radio resources for the new radio link and requests the target Node B to establish a new radio link by transmitting a RADIO LINK SETUP REQUEST message including the necessary parameters for DPCH establishment.
- 3. The target Node B allocates resources, starts physical layer reception on the DPCH on the new radio link and responds with RADIO LINK SETUP RESPONSE message.
- 4. The DRNC responds to the SRNC with RADIO LINK ADDITION RESPONSE message and the DCH transport bearer is established.

- 5. As the next step, the SRNC prepares a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION PREPARE message which is transmitted to the DRNC. The message indicates the target HS-DSCH cell.
- 6. The DRNC requests the source HS-DSCH Node B to perform a synchronised radio link reconfiguration using the RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION REQUEST message, removing its HS-DSCH resources for the source HS-DSCH radio link.
- 7. The source HS-DSCH Node B returns a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION READY message.
- 8. The DRNC requests the target HS-DSCH Node B to perform a synchronised radio link reconfiguration using the RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION REQUEST message, adding HS-DSCH resources for the target HS-DSCH radio link. The message also includes necessary information to setup the HS-DSCH resources in the target HS-DSCH cell, including a DRNC selected HS-DSCH UE identity.
- 9. The target HS-DSCH Node B returns a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION READY message to the DRNC.
- 10. The DRNC returns a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION READY message to the SRNC. The message includes HS-SCCH set info, scrambling code for the target HS-DSCH cell and the HS-DSCH UE identity.
- 11. The HS-DSCH transport bearer to the target HS-DSCH Node B is established. The SRNC proceeds by transmitting RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION COMMIT message to the DRNC including an SRNC selected activation time in the form of a CFN.
- 12. The DRNC transmits a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION COMMIT message to the source HS-DSCH Node B and the target HS-DSCH Node B including the activation time. At the indicated activation time the source HS-DSCH Node B stops and the target HS-DSCH Node B starts transmitting on the HS-DSCH to the UE.
- 13. The SRNC also transmits a PHYSICAL CHANNEL RECONFIGURATION message to the UE. The message includes activation time, DPCH information for the target cell, MAC-hs reset indicator, serving HS-DSCH radio link indicator, HS-SCCH set info and HS-DSCH UE identity.
- 14. At the indicated activation time the UE abandons the current active set, initiates establishment of the DPCH in the target cell and resets MAC-hs. When physical layer synchronisation is established in the target cell, it starts DPCH reception and transmission and HS-DSCH reception in the target cell. The UE returns a PHYSICAL CHANNEL RECONFIGURATION COMPLETE message to the SRNC. The HS-DSCH transport bearer to the source HS-DSCH Node B is released.
- 15. The SRNC then finalises the procedure by transmitting a RADIO LINK DELETION REQUEST message to the DRNC. In the message the source cell to be deleted is identified.
- 16. The DRNC transmits a RADIO LINK DELETION REQUEST message to the source Node B.
- 17. The source Node B releases resources for the source radio link and returns a RADIO LINK DELETION RESPONSE message to the DRNC.
- 18. The DRNC returns a RADIO LINK DELETION RESPONSE message to the SRNC. The DCH transport bearer to the source Node B is released.

In the second example the source Node B and the target Node B are controlled by two different DRNCs, referred to as source DRNC and target DRNC, respectively. The HS-DSCH mobility procedure is performed in a single step.

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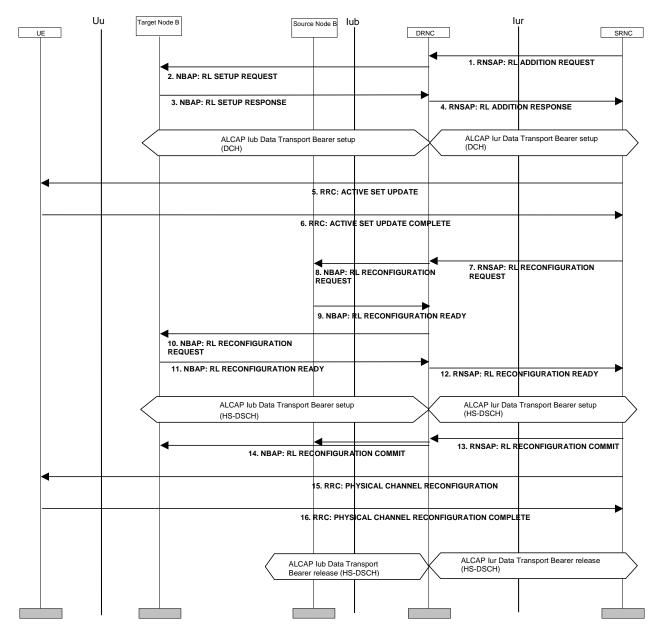
Example 5: Inter-Node B serving HS-DSCH cell change during hard handover (single-step approach)

- 1. The SRNC decides that there is a need for hard handover combined with serving HS-DSCH cell change. It prepares a RADIO LINK SETUP REQUEST message, which is transmitted to the target DRNC. The message indicates the target cell for hard handover along with some information for setup of HS-DSCH resources in the target HS-DSCH cell.
- 2. The target DRNC allocates radio resources for the new radio link and requests the target Node B to establish a new radio link by transmitting a RADIO LINK SETUP REQUEST. The message includes the necessary parameters for DPCH establishment, as well as information for setup of HS-DSCH resources.
- 3. The target Node B allocates resources, starts physical layer reception on the DPCH on the new radio link and responds with RADIO LINK SETUP RESPONSE message. The message includes HS-SCCH set info and HS-DSCH flow control info.
- 4. The target DRNC responds to the SRNC with RADIO LINK SETUP RESPONSE message. The message includes HS-SCCH set info, HS-DSCH flow control info and the HS-DSCH UE identity. DCH and HS-DSCH transport bearers are established on both Iub and Iur.
- 5. The SRNC transmits a PHYSICAL CHANNEL RECONFIGURATION message to the UE. The message includes activation time, DPCH information for the target cell, MAC-hs reset indicator, serving HS-DSCH radio link indicator, HS-SCCH set info and HS-DSCH UE identity.
- 6. At the indicated activation time the UE abandons the current active set, initiates establishment of the DPCH in the target cell and resets MAC-hs. When physical layer synchronisation is established in the target cell, it starts DPCH reception and transmission and HS-DSCH reception in the target cell. The UE returns a PHYSICAL CHANNEL RECONFIGURATION COMPLETE message to the SRNC.
- 7. The SRNC then finalises the procedure by transmitting a RADIO LINK DELETION REQUEST message to the source DRNC. In the message the source cell to be deleted is identified.
- 8. The source DRNC transmits a RADIO LINK DELETION REQUEST message to the source Node B.

- 9. The source Node B releases resources for the source radio link and returns a RADIO LINK DELETION RESPONSE message to the source DRNC.
- 10. The source DRNC returns a RADIO LINK DELETION RESPONSE message to the SRNC. The DCH and HS-DSCH transport bearers to the source Node B are released.

6.2.4.4 Inter-Node B serving HS-DSCH cell change after radio link addition

An example of addition of a radio link becoming the serving HS-DSCH radio link is shown in the figure below. This procedure is performed using two steps, both within the network and towards the UE. In the first step, the new radio link is added to the active set. The HS-DSCH is transferred to the added radio link as a second step.



Example 6: Inter-Node B serving HS-DSCH cell change after radio link addition

- 1. The SRNC decides there is a need for an addition of a radio link, which would become the new serving HS-DSCH cell. As a first step the SRNC requests the DRNC to establish the new radio link without the HS-DSCH resources by transmitting a RADIO LINK ADDITION REQUEST message to the DRNC.
- 2. The DRNC allocates radio resources for the new radio link and requests the target Node B to establish a new radio link by transmitting a RADIO LINK SETUP REQUEST message including the necessary parameters for DPCH establishment.

- 3. The target Node B allocates resources, starts physical layer reception on the DPCH on the new radio link and responds with RADIO LINK SETUP RESPONSE message.
- 4. The DRNC responds to the SRNC with RADIO LINK ADDITION RESPONSE message. The DCH transport bearer is then established.
- 5. The SRNC prepares an ACTIVE SET UPDATE message and transmits it to the UE. The message includes an identification of the radio link to add.
- 6. The UE adds the new radio link to its active set and returns an ACTIVE SET UPDATE COMPLETE message to the SRNC.
- 7. As the next step, the SRNC prepares a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION REQUEST message which is transmitted to the DRNC. The message indicates the target HS-DSCH cell.
- 8. If we assume the source and target HS-DSCH cells are controlled by different Node Bs, the DRNC requests the source HS-DSCH Node B to perform a synchronised radio link reconfiguration using the RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION REQUEST message, removing its HS-DSCH resources for the source HS-DSCH radio link.
- 9. The source Node B returns a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION READY message to the DRNC.
- 10. The DRNC requests the target HS-DSCH Node B to perform a synchronised radio link reconfiguration using the RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION REQUEST message, adding HS-DSCH resources for the target HS-DSCH radio link. The message also includes necessary information to setup the HS-DSCH resources in the target HS-DSCH cell, including a DRNC selected HS-DSCH UE identity.
- 11. The source HS-DSCH Node B returns a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION READY message.
- 12. The DRNC returns a RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION READY message to the SRNC. The message includes HS-SCCH set info, scrambling code for the target HS-DSCH cell and the HS-DSCH UE identity.
- 13. The HS-DSCH transport bearer to the target HS-DSCH Node B is established. The SRNC proceeds by transmitting RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION COMMIT message to the DRNC including an SRNC selected activation time in the form of a CFN.
- 14. The DRNC transmits RADIO LINK RECONFIGURATION COMMIT messages to the source HS-DSCH Node B and the target HS-DSCH Node B including the activation time. At the indicated activation time, the source HS-DSCH Node B stops and the target HS-DSCH Node B starts transmitting on the HS-DSCH to the UE.
- 15. The SRNC also transmits a PHYSICAL CHANNEL RECONFIGURATION message to the UE. The message includes activation time, MAC-hs reset indicator, serving HS-DSCH radio link indicator, HS-SCCH set info and HS-DSCH UE identity.
- 16. At the indicated activation time, the UE resets MAC-hs, stops receiving HS-DSCH in the source HS-DSCH cell and starts HS-DSCH reception in the target HS-DSCH cell. The UE returns a PHYSICAL CHANNEL RECONFIGURATION COMPLETE message to the SRNC. The HS-DSCH transport bearer to the source HS-DSCH Node B is released.

6.2.5 Open Issues

Void.

6.3 Impacts on lub Interface User Plane Protocols

6.3.1 Transport Bearer Options

6.3.1.1 Option 1 - One Transport Bearer per HS-DSCH Transport Channel

6.3.1.1.1 Frame Protocol Aspects for HS-DSCH

Node B with HSDPA has several functions which are similar to the DRNC functions with DSCH in the following aspects:

- it handles a certain pool of code and power resources autonomously, like the DRNC;
- it performs several traffic management functions (e.g. code mapping, scheduling) like the DRNC; and
- it controls MAC-d flows over Iub (rather than Transport Block streams), just as a DRNC controls MAC-c/sh SDU data flows across Iur.

We focus on the latter observation to stress that the Iub interface with HSDPA should be compared to the Iur (rather than Iub) interface with DSCH and that the Iur behaviour with HSDPA should be identical to the Iur behaviour with DSCH.

Assuming that each HS-DSCH MAC-d flow is carried on a separate Iub/Iur transport bearer (figure 2), then the Data and Control Frame formats for the HS-DSCH Frame Protocol over Iub/Iur could be almost the same as their DSCH equivalents over Iur, the only exception being the following:

1) MAC-c/sh SDU is renamed MAC-d PDU.

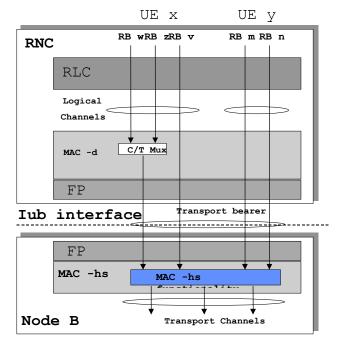
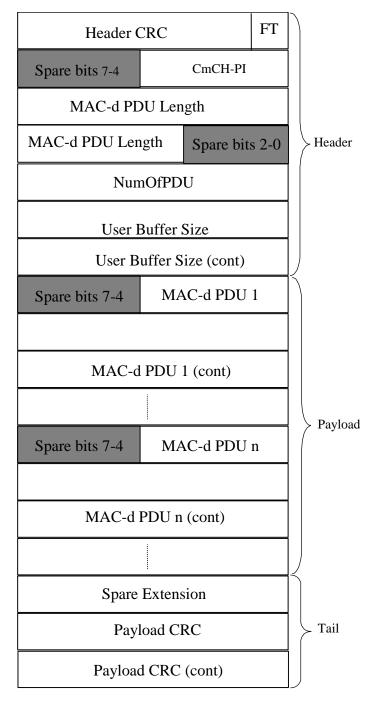


Figure 2: The case which no MAC level multiplexing is allowed over lub

6.3.1.1.2 Data Frame Format for HS-DSCH Frame Protocol

The HS-DSCH data frames have almost the same format as their DSCH counterparts.



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Figure 3: HS-DSCH lur/lub Data Frame structure

Header CRC: Cyclic Redundancy Checksum calculated on the header of a data frame with a polynomial.

CmCH-P: The *Common Transport Channel Priority Indicator* IE indicates the priority of the data frame and the SDUs included which are waiting in the SRNC's Tx buffer for transmission via the HS-DSCH. As in case of the HS-DSCH on Iur, the *CmCH-PI* is in the range 0 to 15, where 0 means lowest priority and 15 is the highest priority.

Frame Type (FT): Describes if it is a control frame or a data frame.

MAC-d PDU Length - The value of that field indicates the length of every MAC-d PDU in the payload of the HS-DSCH data frame in number of bits.

NumOfPDU: Indicates the number of MAC-d PDUs in the payload.

User Buffer Size: Indicates the users' buffer size (i.e. the amount of data in the buffer) in octets for a given Common Transport Channel Priority Indicator level.

MAC-d PDU: A MAC-d PDU contains the C/T IE field of the MAC header followed by one RLC PDU.

Payload CRC: Cyclic Redundancy Checksum calculated on the payload of a data frame with a polynomial.

Spare Extension: Indicates the location where new IEs can in the future be added in a backward compatible way.

6.3.1.1.3 Control Frame Format for HS-DSCH Frame Protocol

The flow control mechanism for HSDPA is based on two Control Frames:

- HS-DSCH Capacity Request; and
- HS-DSCH Capacity Allocation.

The HS-DSCH Capacity Request/Allocation control frames have almost the same format as their DSCH counterparts.

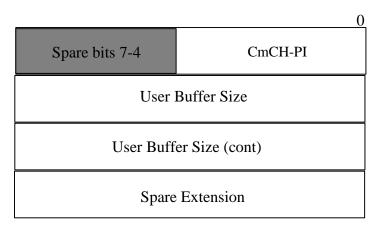


Figure 4: HS-DSCH Capacity Request Control Frame

CmCH-PI: The *Common Transport Channel Priority Indicator* IE indicates the priority of the data frame and the SDUs included which are waiting in the SRNC's Tx buffer for transmission via the HS-DSCH. As in the case of the DSCH on Iur, the *CmCH-PI* is in the range 0 to 15, where 0 means lowest priority and 15 is the highest priority.

User Buffer Size: Indicates the users' buffer size (i.e. the amount of data in the buffer in the SRNC) in octets for a given Common Transport Channel Priority Indicator level.

Spare Extension - Indicates the location where new IEs can in the future be added in a backward compatible way

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Spare bits 7-4 CmCH-PI Max. MAC-d PDU Length (cont) Max.MAC-d PDU Length Spare bits 2-0

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HS-DSCH Credits **HS-DSCH** Interval

HS-DSCH Repetition Period

Spare Extension

Figure 5: HS-DSCH Capacity Allocation Control Frame

CmCH-PI: The Common Transport Channel Priority Indicator IE indicates the priority of the PDUs for which credit (a transmission permit) is allocated with that message.

Max MAC-d PDU Length: The value indicates the maximum allowable MAC-d PDU size. MAC-d PDU contains the C/T field of the MAC header followed by one RLC PDU Field length: See the value of the MAC-d PDU Length IE.

HS-DSCH Credits: The HS-DSCH Credits IE indicates the number of MAC-d PDUs that a user may transmit.

HS-DSCH Interval: The value of this field indicates the time interval during which the HS-DSCH Credits IE granted in the HS-DSCH CAPACITY ALLOCATION control frame may be transmitted. This value is only applied to the HS-DSCH transport channel.

HS-DSCH Repetition Period: The value of this field indicates the number of subsequent intervals that the HS-DSCH Credits IE granted in the HS-DSCH CAPACITY ALLOCATION control frame may be transmitted. These values represent an integer number of Intervals (see subclause 6.3.3.3.4). This field is only applied to the HS-DSCH transport channel.

Spare Extension: Indicates the location where new IEs can in the future be added in a backward compatible way

6.3.1.1.4 **Open Issues**

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Option 2 - One Transport Bearer for Multiple MAC-d flows for Multiple UE's 6.3.1.2

6.3.1.2.1 Frame Protocol Aspects for HS-DSCH

This alternative is to allow multiple UEs to share the same transport bearers over Iub. Therefore transport bearers can be configured based on following factors:

- number of cells in Node-B i.e. if Node-B supports more than one cell => one transport bearer / cell;
- priorities => transport bearer / priority;
- only one transport bearer / Node-B;
- the number of HSDPA related physical channels on Node-B;

etc.

In order to allow multiple MAC-d flows to use the same transport resources on Iub-interface, the MAC-d flows multiplexing - currently UE-ID multiplexing is provided only for the common channels (FACH/RACH)- should be adopted for the HSDPA related channels on Iub. In practice this means that either the services of the MAC-c/sh is needed, or if the multiplexing is provided on the FP level a new MAC-d flow multiplexing functionality is required on the FP layer.

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Figure 6 presents the models where the MAC-d flow Mux is provided either on the MAC-c/sh or on the FP layer respectively.

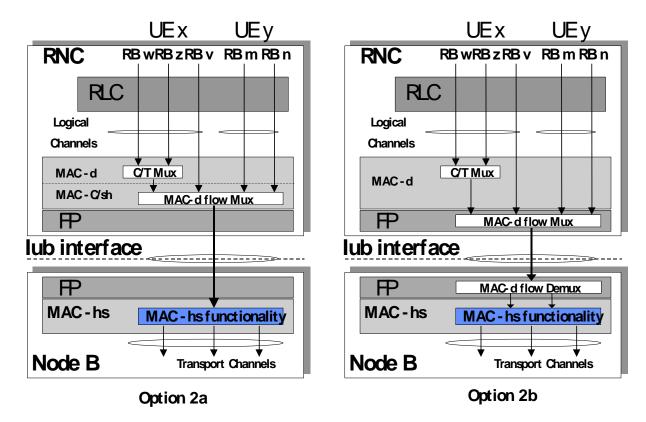


Figure 6: The case which MAC level multiplexing is allowed over lub

In the option 2a (*not the current RAN2 assumption*), the MAC-d flow Mux could be based on the use of the RNTI in the MAC header. This method is already being used for common channels and it doesn't introduce anything new to the MAC-c/sh. In the option 2b, the MAC-d flow Mux is moved to the FP layer, where the MAC-d flow Mux could be based either on RNTI or on a new identification in addition to MAC-d Flow ID, which needs to be defined on the FP layer for this purpose.

It is noted that option 2b is preferable considering the interaction with RAN2 and the work load.

6.3.1.2.2 Data Frame Format for HS-DSCH Frame Protocol

The HS-DSCH FP facilitates multiplexing of data streams from different UEs onto the same data frame and allows multiple UEs and multiple MAD-d flows to share the same transport bearer.

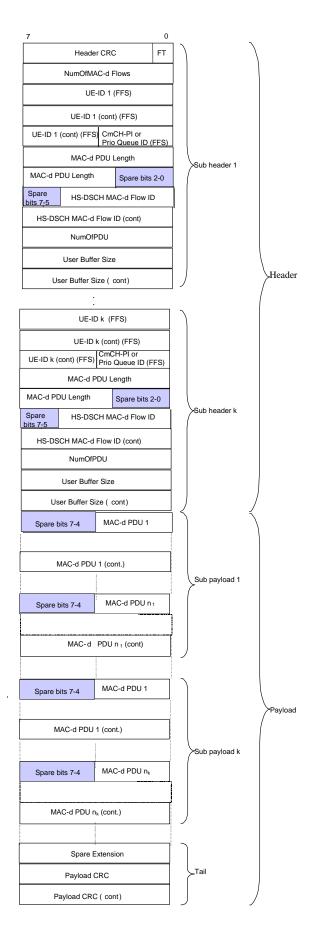


Figure 7: HS-DSCH lur/lub Data Frame Structure

Header of data frame consists of NumOfMAC-d Flows and 1 to k sub-headers of data streams for each MAC-d flow. In the payload are placed sub-payloads for each UE-ID and HS-DSCH MAC-d Flow ID combination.

6.3.1.2.2.1 Coding of information elements in data frames

Header CRC:

Description: Cyclic Redundancy Checksum calculated on the header of a data frame with polynomial $X^7+X^6+X^2+1$. The CRC calculation shall cover all bits in the header, starting from bit 0 in the first byte (FT field) up to the end of the header.

Value range: {0-127}.

Field length: 7 bits.

Frame Type (FT)

Description: describes if it is a control frame or a data frame.

Value range: {0=data, 1=control}.

Field Length: 1 bit.

NumOfMAC-d Flows:

Description: Indicates the number of MAC-d Flows in the payload.

Value range: {1-255}.

Field Length: 8 bits.

UE-ID (FFS)

As UE-ID is proposed to use DRNTI. Using proprietary UE-ID for FP is FFS.

Description: Identifies the UE in the DRNC.

Value range: {0-1048575}.

Field length: 20 bits.

Common Transport Channel Priority Indicator (CmCH-PI)

Description: CmCH-PI is the relative priority of the data frame and the SDUs included.

Value range: {0-15, where 0=lowest priority, 15=highest priority}.

Field length: 4 bits.

Priority Queue ID

Same definition with the one in subclause 6.3.1.1.2.

MAC-d PDU Length

Description: The value of that field indicates the size of MAC-d PDU.

Value range: Same value range with the one in option 1.

Field Length: Same length with the one in option 1

HS-DSCH MAC-d Flow ID

Description: The value of that field indicates which MAC-d flow this PDU belongs to.

Value range: Same value range with the one in NBAP will be defined.

Field Length: FFS.

Num OfP DU

Description: Indicates the number of MAC-d PDUs in the payload.

Value range: {1-255}.

Field Length: 8 bits.

User Buffer Size

Description: Indicates the users' buffer size (i.e. the amount of data in the buffer) in octets for a given Common Transport Channel Priority.

Value range: {0-65535}.

Field length: 16 bits.

MAC-d PDU

Description: Same as option 1.

Field length: Same as option 1.

Payload CRC

Description: Cyclic Redundancy Checksum calculated on the payload of a data frame with polynomial $X^{16+X^{15+X^{2+1}}}$. The CRC calculation shall cover all bits in the data frame payload, starting from bit 7 in the first byte up to bit 0 in the byte before the payload CRC.

Field length: 16 bits.

Spare Extension

Description: Indicates the location where new IEs can in the future be added in a backward compatible way.

Field length: 0-2 octets.

6.3.1.2.3 Control Frame Format for HS-DSCH Frame Protocol

In addition to the HS-DSCH Data Frame, all the control frames, which will be delivered over Iub HS-DSCH transport bearer, should be considered. Since in case HS-DSCH data frames may be multiplexed, and control frames also share the transport bearer, each control frame (Capacity Request, Capacity Allocation, ...) on HS-DSCH transport bearer should include UE-id and HS-DSCH MAC-d Flow ID.

6.3.1.2.4 Open Issues

- In case the CRNC indicates that the Node B may multiplex, can the Node B choose freely among the available transport bearers, or could there be limits regarding what level of multiplexing the CRNC can handle on each transport bearer.
- Interaction between solutions performing UE multiplexing and Direct SRNC-Node B bearers.

6.3.1.3 Inter-operability of Options 1 and 2

Both options 1 and 2 can exist together. In the case that either Node B or CRNC doesn't want to multiplex HSDPA data streams then a separate bearer will be set up for each HSDPA data stream. When the CRNC has to set up a HSDPA data stream over the Iub, it will inform the Node B a candidate list of transport bearer (This information implies whether Node B allows to multiplex or not). The Node B will then decide whether it wants to multiplex this data stream or not and in the case the Node B decides to multiplex, it will also choose the transport bearer to be shared among the one CRNC gave.

3 possible cases can be considered;

- 1. CRNC allows HSDPA data stream multiplexing and Node B decides to multiplex;
- 2. CRNC allows HSDPA data stream multiplexing and Node B decides not to multiplex;

3. CRNC doesn't allow HSDPA data stream multiplexing.

Case 1: Since both sides decide to multiplex, Node B chooses transport bearer to be shared and provides this information to the CRNC instead of new transport bearer information.

Case 2: Since mux-option cannot be used, Node B provides new transport bearer information to CRNC.

Case 3: Since mux-option cannot be used, Node B provides new transport bearer information to CRNC.

6.3.1.3.1 Signalling Flow Cases

6.3.1.3.1.1 CRNC allows HSDPA data stream multiplexing and Node B decides to multiplex (Case 1)

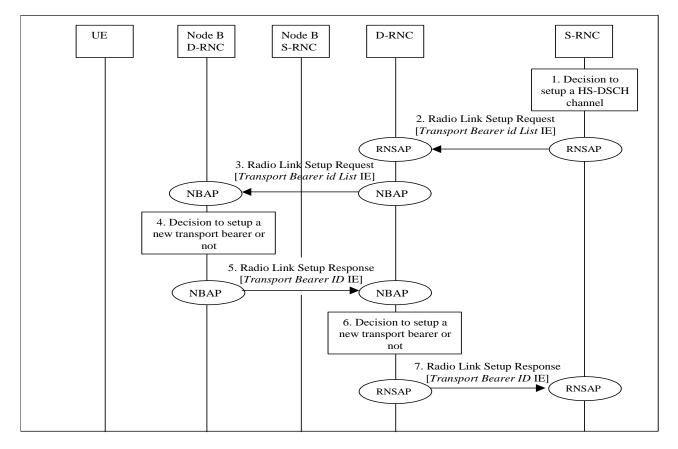
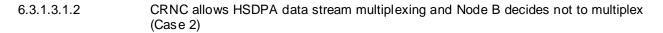


Figure 8: Node B decides to Multiplex

- 1. SRNC needs to set up a HS-DSCH channel.
- 2. SRNC sends RADIO LINK SETUP REQUEST message to DRNC with *Transport Bearer id List* IE. *Transport Bearer id List* IE shows which transport bearer can be shared as well as whether this data stream may be multiplexed or not. In this example *Transport Bearer id List* IE has more than zero transport bearer id. (Mux option over Iur is FFS.)
- 3. DRNC sends RADIO LINK SETUP REQUEST message to Node B with *Transport Bearer id List* IE. *Transport Bearer id List* IE shows which transport bearer can be shared as well as whether this data stream may be multiplexed or not. In this example *Transport Bearer id List* IE has more than zero transport bearer id.
- 4. Node B decides if mux option will be used or not. In this example, Node B decides to multiplex.
- 5. Node B chooses a transport bearer to be shared among the transport bearer ids in the list received and replies with the transport bearer ID in the RADIO LINK SETUP RESPONSE message.

- 6. DRNC decides if mux option will be used or not. In this example DRNC decides to multiplex. (Mux option over Iur is FFS.)
- 7. DRNC chooses a transport bearer to be shared among the transport bearer ids in the list received and replies with the transport bearer ID in the RADIO LINK SETUP RESPONSE message.



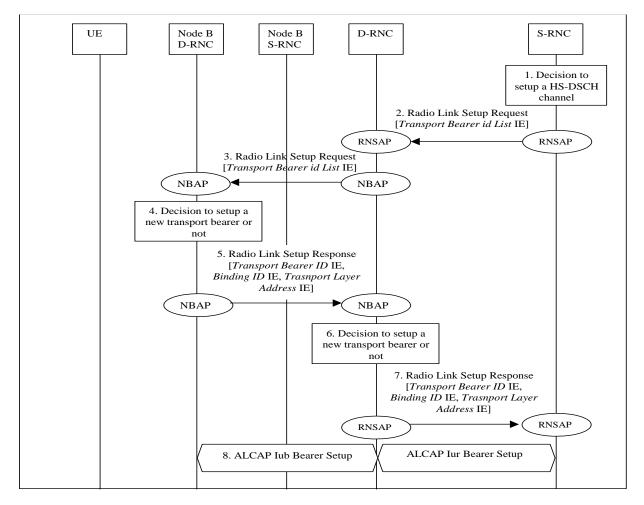


Figure 9: Node B decides not to multiplex

- 1. SRNC needs to set up a HS-DSCH channel.
- 2. SRNC sends RADIO LINK SETUP REQUEST message to DRNC with *Transport Bearer id List* IE. *Transport Bearer id List* IE shows which transport bearer can be shared as well as whether this data stream may be multiplexed or not. In this example *Transport Bearer id List* IE has more than zero transport bearer id. (Mux option over Iur is FFS.)
- 3. DRNC sends RADIO LINK SETUP REQUEST message to Node B with *Transport Bearer id List* IE. *Transport Bearer id List* IE shows which transport bearer can be shared as well as whether this data stream may be multiplexed or not. In this example *Transport Bearer id List* IE has more than zero transport bearer id.
- 4. Node B decides if mux option will be used or not. In this example Node B decides not to multiplex.
- 5. Node B replies with a new transport bearer ID as well as new transport information in the RADIO LINK SETUP RESPONSE message.
- 6. DRNC decides if mux option will be used or not. In this example DRNC decides not to multiplex. (Mux option over Iur is FFS.)

- 7. DRNC replies with a new transport bearer ID as well as new transport information in the RADIO LINK SETUP RESPONSE message.
- 8. New transport bearers over Iub/Iur set up.

6.3.2 Flow Control Options

This study area is intended to describe the various proposed solutions for the flow control mechanism for HSDPA.

6.3.2.1 Option 1 - Credit Based Flow Control

The need is foreseen to introduce flow control on the Iub and Iur interfaces. It can be introduced either directly between the SRNC and the Node B in order to reduce transmission time delay or separately on both the Iub and Iur interfaces. In both cases, the same structure shall be used over Iub and Iur for the control frames. Therefore, the control frames can either be sent through the CRNC transparently and no RNL multiplexing of HS-DSCH transport channels is performed across the Iub/Iur or the control frames can be sent from the SRNC to the DRNC and from the DRNC to the Node B (if there is a DRNC involved).

The same flow control mechanism with small modifications is proposed to be used for HS-DSCH data streams on the Iub/Iur interface as in R99 for the DSCH data streams on the Iur interface. The flow control is done via exchange of HS-DSCH CAPACITY REQUEST and HS-DSCH CAPACITY ALLOCATION control frames between the Node B and SRNC for a given priority group. The data transfer is done via transfer of HS-DSCH Data Frames from the SRNC to the Node B for a given priority group. The flow control frames and data transfer frames that are used over the Iur and Iub interfaces shall be of the same format. The small modifications shall be applied for parameters in the HS-DSCH CAPACITY ALLOCATION control frame- a parameter to indicate the maximum MAC-hs SDU length is probably not needed (because in one HS-DSCH, a constant Transport Block Size is used which fits to a constant MAC-hs SDU size) and the value range of the *HS-DSCH Credits* IE should be probably increased (FFS).

The following three subclauses present parameters for the HS-DSCH CAPA CITY REQUEST, HS-DSCH CAPA CITY ALLOCATION, and HS-DSCH Data Frames. These frames have the same structure, this whatever the chosen flow control option: the (A,B) couple can either be (SRNC,Node B) if the flow control is directly between the SRNC and the Node B or (SRNC,DRNC) & (CRNC,Node B) if the flow control is handled separately on Iur and Iub.

6.3.2.1.1 HS-DSCH Data Transfer

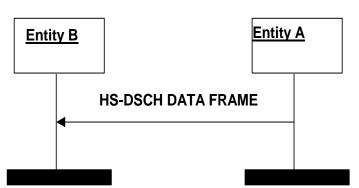


Figure 10: HS-DSCH Data Transfer

Header CRC: See Section 6.3.1.1.2 for definition.

CmCH-PI: The *Common Transport Channel Priority Indicator* IE indicates the priority of the data frame and the SDUs included which are waiting in the Entity A's Tx buffer for transmission via the HS -DSCH. As in case of the DSCH on Iur, the *CmCH-PI* is in the range 0 to 15, where 0 means lowest priority and 15 is the highest priority.

Frame Type (FT): See Section 6.3.1.1.2 for definition.

MAC-d PDU Length: See Section 6.3.1.1.2 for definition.

NumOfPDU: See Section 6.3.1.1.2 for definition.

User Buffer Size: See Section 6.3.1.1.2 for definition.

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MAC-d PDU: See Section 6.3.1.1.2 for definition.

Payload CRC: See Section 6.3.1.1.2 for definition.

Spare Extension: See Section 6.3.1.1.2 for definition.

6.3.2.1.2 HS-DSCH Capacity Request

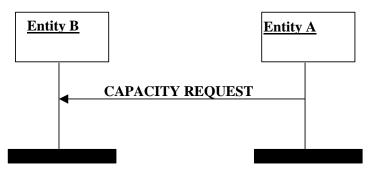


Figure 11: HS-DSCH Capacity Request

CmCH-PI: The *Common Transport Channel Priority Indicator* IE indicates the priority of the data frame and the SDUs included which are waiting in the Entity A's Tx buffer for transmission via the HS -DSCH. As in the case of the DSCH on Iur, the *CmCH-PI* is in the range 0 to 15, where 0 means lowest priority and 15 is the highest priority.

User Buffer Size: Indicates the users' buffer size (i.e. the amount of data in the buffer in the Entity A) in octets for the indicated Common Transport Channel Priority.

6.3.2.1.3 HS-DSCH Capacity Allocation

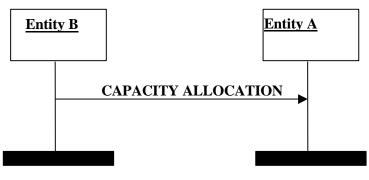


Figure 12: HS-DSCH Capacity Allocation

CmCH-PI: The *Common Transport Channel Priority Indicator* IE indicates the priority of the SDUs for which credit (a transmission permit) is allocated with that message. This means that the Entity A can use this credit value only for sending SDUs with exactly that indicated CmCH-PI. If the Entity A were to send SDUs with a higher or lower CmCH-PI, and if there were no allocated credit for these deviated CmCH-PI values, the Node B would have the right to ignore these SDUs, i.e. to refrain from processing and forwarding them.

HS-DSCH Credits: See Section 6.3.1.1.3 for definition.

HS-DSCH Interval: See Section 6.3.1.1.3 for definition.

HS-DSCH Repetition period: See Section 6.3.1.1.3 for definition.

Max. MAC c/sh SDU length: probably obsolete [FFS].

6.4 QoS Aspects

{This subclause should describe the QoS aspects associated with HSDPA.}

6.5 TDD versus FDD Aspects

{This subclause should describe the differences in architecture between TDD and FDD mode. This subclause should also describe any specific TDD changes that are needed for HSDPA.}

6.6 Backwards Compatibility

{This subclause should identify backwards compatibility issues when introducing the HSDPA functionality into RAN3. The goal is to ensure that there are no backwards compatibility issues.}

7 Agreements and associated contributions

We will have in Release 5, 1 MAC-d flow per transport bearer. Further study required for having more than 1 MAC-d flows per transport bearer.

8 Specification Impact and associated Change Requests

Table 1: Affected Release 5 specifications and the related Change Requests

3GPP TS	CR	Title	Remarks			
3GPP TS 25.401	039r2	UTRAN Overall Description				
3GPP TS 25.420	023r1	UTRAN Iur Interface General Aspects and				
		Principles				
3GPP TS 25.423	570r3	UTRAN lur Interface RNSAP Signalling				
3GPP TS 25.425	044r2	UTRAN Iur Interface User Plane Protocols				
		for Common Transport Channel Data				
		Streams				
3GPP TS 25.430	029r2	UTRAN lub Interface, General Aspects and				
		Principles				
3GPP TS 25.433	612r3	UTRAN lub Interface NBAP Signalling				
3GPP TS 25.435	075r1	UTRAN lub Interface User Plane Protocols				
		for Common Transport Channel Data				
		Streams				

Annex A: Change History

Change history											
Date	TSG #	TSG Doc.	CR	Rev	Subject/Comment	Old	New				
03/2002	15	-	-		Approved at TSG RAN #15 and placed under Change Control	-	5.0.0				
06/2002	16	RP-020422	001		Alignment of email approved CRs after RAN3#27 with TR 25.877	5.0.0	5.1.0				