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Foreword

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Annex A forms a normative part of this International Standard.

Introduction

This International Standard is one of a series of standards defining mapping functions in exchanges of Private Integrated Services Networks required for the utilization of intervening network scenarios. The series uses the ISDN concepts as developed by ITU-T (formerly CCITT) and is also within the framework of standards for open systems interconnection as defined by ISO/IEC.

This International Standard specifies mapping functions for the type of scenarios where two PINXs are interconnected via on-demand connections via the public ISDN using the supplementary service User-to-User Signalling for carrying signalling information.

This International Standard is based upon the practical experience of ECMA member companies and the results of their active and continuous participation in the work of ISO/IEC JTC 1, ITU-T, ETSI and other international and national standardization bodies. It represents a pragmatic and widely based consensus.

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1   Scope

This International Standard specifies the mapping functions for a pair of on-demand inter-PINX connections using a circuit mode basic service and the supplementary service User-to-User Signalling (service 3) of a public ISDN at the same time.

In order to connect a Private Integrated Services Network Exchange (PINX) to another PINX, mapping functions are required to adapt the specific interfaces at the C reference point to the application at the Q reference point. As such, mapping functions provide for physical adaptation to the interface at the C reference point. Mapping functions also provide for the mapping of user channels and signalling information at the Q reference point to the appropriate channels or timeslots at the C reference point.

The C and Q reference points are defined in ISO/IEC 11579-1.

At the Q reference point the mappings provide a 64 kbit/s service for user channels and a packet mode service for the signalling channel. Bearer conditioning is outside the scope of this International Standard, except for providing the layer 2 for the signalling channel at the Q reference point.

Scenario management is outside the scope of this International Standard.

This International Standard is applicable to PINXs which can be interconnected to form a Private Integrated Services Network (PISN) and which support signalling protocols at the Q reference point.

2   Conformance

In order to conform to this International Standard, a PINX shall satisfy the requirements identified in the Implementation Conformance Statement (ICS) proforma in annex A.

3   Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO/IEC 11574:2000, *Information technology — Telecommunications and information exchange between systems — Private Integrated Services Network — Circuit-mode 64 kbit/s bearer services — Service description, functional capabilities and information flows.*

ISO/IEC 11579-1:1994, *Information technology — Telecommunications and information exchange between systems — Private Integrated Services Network — Part 1: Reference configuration for PISN exchanges (PINX).*

ITU-T Rec. I.112:1993, *Vocabulary of terms for ISDNs.*

IUT-T Rec. I.210:1993, *Principles of telecommunication services supported by an ISDN and the means to describe them.*

ITU-T Rec. I.411:1993, *ISDN user-network interfaces — Reference configurations.*

ITU-T Rec. I.430:1995, *Basic user-network interface — Layer 1 specification.*

ITU-T Rec. I.431:1993, *Primary rate user-network interface — Layer 1 specification.*

ITU-T Rec. Q.920:1993, *Digital Subscriber Signalling System No. 1 (DSS1) — ISDN user-network interface data link layer — General aspects.*

ITU-T Rec. Q.920 Am. 1:2000, *Amendment 1 to ITU-T Recommendation Q.920.*

ITU-T Rec. Q.921:1997, *ISDN user-network interface — Data link layer specification.*

ITU-T Rec. Q.921 Am. 1:2000, *Amendment 1 to ITU-T Recommendation Q.921.*

ITU-T Rec. Q.931:1998, *ISDN user-network interface layer 3 specification for basic call control.*

ITU-T Rec. Q.957.1:1996, *Stage 3 description for additional information transfer supplementary services using DSS 1: User-to-User Signalling (UUS).*

ETS 300 415:1994, *Private Telecommunication Network (PTN); Terms and definitions.*

4 Definitions

4.1 External definitions

For the purposes of this International Standard, the following definitions apply.

- Basic Service   (CCITT Rec. I.210)
- Call, Basic Call   (ISO/IEC 11582)
- Integrated Services Digital Network   (CCITT Rec. I.112)
- Private Integrated Services Network   (ISO/IEC 11579-1)
- Private Integrated Services Network Exchange   (ISO/IEC 11579-1)
- Public ISDN   (ETS 300 415)
- Signalling   (CCITT Rec. I.112)
- Supplementary Service   (ISO/IEC 11582)

4.2 Special definitions

4.2.1 Calling PINX : The PINX which is at the originating interface of the public ISDN (IVN).

4.2.2 Called PINX : The PINX which is at the destination interface of the public ISDN (IVN).

4.2.3 Channel : A means of bi-directional transmission of user or signalling information between two points.

4.2.3.1 D_Q-Channel : A channel used to convey call control information between the Q reference points of two peer PINXs.

4.2.3.2 U_Q-Channel : A channel used to convey user information between the Q reference points of two PINXs.

4.2.4 Inter-PINX Connection : A connection provided by an IVN between two C reference points used to transport inter-PINX information from the PISN control plane and/or the PISN user plane.

4.2.5 Inter-PINX Link : A link between the Q reference points of two PINXs, comprising the totality of signalling transfer and user information transfer means.

5 List of acronyms

DSS1   Digital Subscriber Signalling System No. one

ICS   Implementation Conformance Statement

IPC   Inter-PINX Connection

IPL   Inter-PINX Link

ISDN   Integrated Services Digital Network

IVN   Intervening Network

PISN   Private Integrated Services Network

PINX   Private Integrated Services Network Exchange

UUS3   User-to-User Signalling service 3

6   Introduction

The inter-PINX connection scenario using circuit mode basic services and the supplementary service User-to-User Signalling service 3 as defined for public ISDNs is an on-demand connection scenario.

This scenario creates an IPL from the connections established as a result of an ISDN call. The ISDN call is established by specifying the supplementary service UUS3. The signalling connection associated with the ISDN call in conjunction with the UUS3 information transfer capability is used to provide the inter-PINX signalling connection. The circuit mode ISDN connection is used to provide the inter-PINX user connection.

This scenario also includes procedures for sequence control and end-to-end flow control.

Connections of this scenario can be established and released at any time under the control of either PINX. In case of failure, the public ISDN may reject a call establishment request or release an already established call. In case of congestion, the sending PINX may inhibit temporarily the sending of USER INFORMATION signalling messages by means of an internal congestion mechanism.

Subject to implementation in the public ISDN, this scenario provides for the use of:

−   up to 2 pairs of signalling and user information connections per ISDN basic access; and,

−   up to 23 (1544 kbit/s primary rate) or 30 (2048 kbit/s primary rate) pairs of signalling and user information connections per ISDN primary rate access.

Multiple pairs of IPCs may exist at one or at more interfaces of a PINX. Each pair of IPCs can convey just one IPL. In the case of multiple pairs of IPCs (at one or more interfaces of a PINX), i.e. several calls with UUS3 are established at the same time from one PINX to one or more other PINXs, there is no mapping coordination necessary.

Provision of just one number for addressing a Called PINX is sufficient for establishment of any number of pairs of IPCs from a given Calling PINX.

7   Capabilities at the Q reference point

For each instance of the Q reference point:

−   one signalling channel (D_Q) for carrying the inter-PINX Layer 3 signalling protocol, and

−   one user channel (U_Q)

are provided.

Inter-PINX signalling information is not restricted to call control on this particular U_Q-channel.

For a U_Q-channel the following bearer capability shall be provided:

−   information transfer rate: 64 kbit/s;

−   other attributes shall be the same as at the C reference point.

NOTE - The provision of bearer conditioning can change these attributes. However, this is outside the scope of this International Standard.

For a D_Q-channel the following bearer capability shall be provided:

−   Transfer mode: packet mode;

−   Information transfer capability: unrestricted digital information;

−   Information transfer rate: implementation-dependent;

−   other attributes shall be the same as at the C reference point.

The functions to map D_Q and U_Q channels to an inter-PINX connection (IPC) at the C reference point are described in clause 8.

8   Mapping functions

The PINX mapping functions shall meet the requirements defined for physical adaptation (8.1), channel allocation (8.2.1) and bearer conditioning for the D_Q-channel (8.2.2).

8.1   Physical adaptation

A PINX shall support at least one of the following physical adaptations.

8.1.1   ISDN primary rate user-network Layer 1 interface (1544 kbit/s)

Layer 1 termination for the 1544 kbit/s primary rate interface shall be in accordance with ITU-T Rec. I.431.

Timeslots 1 to 23 shall be used for up to 23 circuit mode 64 kbit/s IPCs for user information. Timeslot 24 (D-channel) carries signalling information for establishing and clearing the circuit mode 64 kbit/s IPCs and providing, for each one, a packet mode IPC for inter-PINX signalling information through the use of UUS3.

NOTE - UUS3 provides a packet mode service by virtue of allowing the transfer of User-to-User information in USER INFORMATION messages using the call reference of the circuit mode 64 kbit/s IPC. The circuit mode 64 kbit/s IPC will in general have different call references at the calling and called interfaces.

The Layer 2 protocol in timeslot 24 at the C reference point shall conform to:

- ITU-T Recs. Q.920 / Q.921 (Data link).

The Layer 3 protocol in timeslot 24 at the C reference point shall conform to:

- ITU-T Rec. Q.931 (Basic Call control) and

- ITU-T Rec. Q.957.1 (User-to-User Signalling supplementary service).

8.1.2   ISDN primary rate user-network Layer 1 interface (2048 kbit/s)

Layer 1 termination for the 2048 kbit/s primary rate interface shall be in accordance with ITU-T Rec. I.431.

Timeslots 1 to 15 and 17 to 31 shall be used for up to 30 circuit mode 64 kbit/s IPCs for user information. Timeslot 16 (D-channel) carries signalling information for establishing and clearing the circuit mode 64 kbit/s IPCs and providing, for each one, a packet mode IPC for inter-PINX signalling information through the use of UUS3.

NOTE - UUS3 provides a packet mode service by virtue of allowing the transfer of User-to-User information in USER INFORMATION messages using the call reference of the circuit mode 64 kbit/s IPC. The circuit mode 64 kbit/s IPC will in general have different call references at the calling and called interfaces.

The Layer 2 protocol in timeslot 16 at the C reference point shall conform to:

- ITU-T Recs. Q.920 / Q.921 (Data link).

The Layer 3 protocol in timeslot 16 at the C reference point shall conform to:

- ITU-T Rec. Q.931 (Basic Call control) and

- ITU-T Rec. Q.957.1 (User-to-User Signalling supplementary service).

8.1.3   ISDN basic user-network Layer 1 interface

Layer 1 termination shall be in accordance with ITU-T Rec. I.430, excluding application of the point-to-multipoint mode of operation.

B-channels B1 and B2 of the interface shall be used for up to two circuit mode 64 kbit/s IPCs for user information. The D-channel of the interface carries signalling information for establishing and clearing the circuit mode 64 kbit/s IPCs and providing, for each one, a packet mode IPC for inter-PINX signalling information through the use of UUS3.

NOTE - UUS3 provides a packet mode service by virtue of allowing the transfer of User-to-User information in USER INFORMATION messages using the call reference of the circuit mode 64 kbit/s IPC. The circuit mode 64 kbit/s IPC will in general have different call references at the calling and called interfaces.

The Layer 2 protocol in the D-channel at the C reference point shall conform to:

- ITU-T Recs. Q.920 / Q.921 (Data link).

The Layer 3 protocol in the D-channel at the C reference point shall conform to:

- ITU-T Rec. Q.931 (Basic Call control) and

- ITU-T Rec. Q.957.1 (User-to-User Signalling supplementary service).

8.2 Mapping matrix

The mapping matrix provides for the mapping of channels at the Q reference point to the IPCs at the C reference point and, in the case of the D_Q-channel, bearer conditioning.

8.2.1 Channel allocation

Per instance of the Q reference point the mapping matrix shall provide for:

– one D_Q-channel. The D_Q-channel shall be mapped onto a packet mode IPC as provided by the physical adaptation function.

– one U_Q-channel. The U_Q-channel number ONE shall be mapped to the corresponding IPC with an information transfer rate of 64 kbit/s as provided by the physical adaptation function.

NOTE - A PINX may additionally support the mapping of a single instance of the Q reference point with more than one U_Q-channel onto a single interface at the C reference point. In this case channel allocation and the numbering of U_Q-channels are implementation matters and not specified in this International Standard.

8.2.2 Bearer conditioning for the D_Q-channel

The signalling carriage mechanism (Layer 2) on a D_Q-channel shall use a subset of the procedures of ITU-T Rec. Q.920 including annex A and ITU-T Rec. Q.921 including annex J (Data Link Layer procedures) within the user information field of UUS3. A single Data Link Layer frame shall be conveyed in a single User-User information element in a USER INFORMATION message.

The procedures in annex A of ITU-T Rec. Q.920 and annex J of ITU-T Rec. Q.921 shall apply with the following exceptions:

– The SM/SREJ option, defined in annex E of ITU-T Rec. Q.921, shall not apply.

– The Data Link Layer monitor function procedure shall not apply.

– The following Data Link Layer commands and responses shall not apply: Un-numbered Information command and Exchange Identification command/response. Following from this, only the following Data Link Layer commands and responses shall apply: Information command, Set Asynchronous Balanced Mode Extended command, Disconnect command, Receive Ready command/response, Reject command/response, Receive Not Ready command/response, and Un-numbered Acknowledgement response, Disconnect Mode response and Frame Reject response.

– The Data Link Layer frame shall neither contain a starting flag nor a closing flag. The length of a Data Link Layer frame can be calculated using the length indicator of the Layer 3 User-User information element in the USER INFORMATION message.

– The Data Link Layer frame shall not contain the FCS field.

– The maximum number of octets in an information field (N 201) shall have the value 125 octets.

The service primitives between the Data Link Layer and the Physical Layer shall be interpreted as follows:

– The Physical Layer condition "connected" shall apply when the pair of IPCs has been successfully established. The Physical Layer condition "disconnected" shall apply when no IPC is available for use.

– The activate-request/indication primitives and deactivate-request/indication primitives shall be mapped to the establishment and clearing of pairs of IPCs.

– The data-request/indication primitives shall be mapped to the request for sending a USER INFORMATION message and to the indication that a USER INFORMATION message has arrived.

9 IPC control functions

9.1 IPC establishment

A call request for establishment of a pair of IPCs is initiated by a Scenario Management. A request for establishment of a pair of IPCs shall result in a Basic Call request according to ITU-T Rec. Q.931 and a UUS3 request according to ITU-T Rec. Q.957.1 from the Calling PINX to the public ISDN.

NOTE 1 - The use of UUS3 with a maximum length of only 32 octets user information is outside the scope of this International Standard.

NOTE 2 - Any supplementary service of the intervening ISDN affecting the continuity of the pair of IPCs should not be used.

Selection of appropriate codepoints for the bearer capability, high layer compatibility and low layer compatibility information elements is an implementation matter. However, the selection shall use codepoints that provide a bearer capability suitable for the support of PISN basic services as specified in ISO/IEC 11574.

9.2 IPC clearing

Clearing of an established pair of IPCs shall be performed according to ITU-T Rec. Q.931 and may be initiated by the PINXs on either side of the pair of IPCs. Clearing shall only occur when the related PISN call(s) and/or inter-PINX Layer 3 signalling connection(s) have been cleared already.

NOTE - Whether the pair of IPCs is cleared should be determined taking into account, among other criteria, the delay time for an IPC re-establishment.

10 IPL control functions

10.1 Static pre-conditions for IPL establishment

Each PINX has at least to know:

- that its peer exists and the corresponding PISN number used for IPC establishment;
- that UUS3 scenario applies.

10.2 IPL establishment

IPL establishment is accomplished by establishing a pair of IPCs in accordance with 9.1 and allocating channels at the Q reference point in accordance with 8.2.1.

10.3 Transfer of inter-PINX signalling Layer 2 information

After the pair of IPCs has been established, i.e. after the public ISDN call is in state Active and a UUS3 request has been accepted, the Calling and Called PINXs shall be able to exchange inter-PINX Layer 2 signalling information. The inter-PINX Layer 2 frames shall be embedded in User-User information elements of USER INFORMATION messages. The protocol discriminator of the User-User information element shall be set to value "User-specific protocol".

After answer, in each direction, a burst capability of sending N USER INFORMATION messages is immediately available, where N initially equals the value of the burst parameter X. The value of N shall be decremented by the sending PINX by one for every USER INFORMATION message and incremented by Y at regular intervals of T. The value of N shall be limited to a maximum of X.

The values of T, X and Y are defined in ITU-T Rec. Q.957.1.

10.4 Use of message segmentation

The maximum size of the user information field inside the User-User information element is 128 octets.

NOTE - The signalling protocol used in the D_Q-channel may need to employ segmentation and reassembly in order to be accommodated in the user information field of a Layer 2 frame conveyed in the User-User information element.