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1 Scope

The present document specifies the stage 3 of the Evolved Packet System S101 interface between the MME and the HRPD Access Network. The S101 interface supports procedures for Pre-Registration, Session Maintenance and Active handoffs between E-UTRAN and HRPD networks.

It also specifies the S103 interface between the Serving GW and HRPD PDSN. This User Plane interface is used to forward DL data to minimize packet losses in mobility from E-UTRAN to HRPD. Signalling procedures on the S101 interface are used to set up tunnels on the S103 interface.

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- [1] 3GPP TR 21.905: "Vocabulary for 3GPP Specifications".
- [2] 3GPP TS 23.402: "Architecture enhancements for non-3GPP accesses".
- [3] IETF RFC 3232: "Assigned Numbers".
- [4] IETF RFC 2784: "Generic Routing Encapsulation (GRE)".
- [5] IETF RFC 2890: "Key and Sequence Number Extensions to GRE".
- [6] 3GPP TS 29.274: "Evolved GPRS Tunnelling Protocol for Control Plane (GTPv2-C); Stage 3".
- [7] 3GPP2 C.S0024-A v3.0: "[cdma2000 High Rate Packet Data Air Interface Specification](#)".
- [8] 3GPP TS 23.007: "Restoration procedures".
- [9] 3GPP2 C.S0087-0: "E-UTRAN - HRPD and CDMA2000 1x Connectivity and Interworking: Air Interface Aspects".
- [10] 3GPP TS 24.301: "Non-Access-Stratum (NAS) protocol for Evolved Packet System (EPS); Stage 3".
- [11] 3GPP TS 33.402: "3GPP System Architecture Evolution: Security Architecture".
- [12] 3GPP TS 36.413: "Evolved Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (E-UTRA) ; S1 Application Protocol (S1AP)".
- [13] 3GPP TS 24.008: " Mobile radio interface Layer 3 specification; Core network protocols; Stage 3".
- [14] 3GPP TS 29.280: "3GPP EPS Sv interface (MME to MSC) for SRVCC".

3 Definitions, symbols and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the terms and definitions given in TR 21.905 [1] and the following apply. A term defined in the present document takes precedence over the definition of the same term, if any, in TR 21.905 [1].

HRPD Access: Combination of the eAN - PCF of the cdma2000 access

3.2 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the abbreviations given in TR 21.905 [1] and the following apply. An abbreviation defined in the present document takes precedence over the definition of the same abbreviation, if any, in TR 21.905 [1].

AN	Access Network
eAN	enhanced AN
eGTP	enhanced Gateway Tunnelling Protocol
eNodeB	enhanced Node B
E-UTRAN	Enhanced UMTS Terrestrial Radio Access Network
GRE	Generic Routing Encapsulation
GW	Gateway
HO	HandOver
HRPD	High Rate Packet Data
HSGW	HRPD Serving GateWay
IMSI	International Mobile Station Identity
IP	Internet Protocol
MME	Mobility Management Entity
PCF	Packet Control Function
PDN	Packet data Network
PDSN	Packet Data Serving Node
PMIP	Proxy Mobile IP
TEID	Tunnel End Point Identifier
UDP	User Datagram Protocol
VS	Vendor Specific

4 General

The S101 reference point is defined between the MME and the HRPD access, enabling interactions between E-UTRAN Access and cdma2000 HRPD Access. The S101 interface is required to perform procedures related to optimise HO between the E-UTRAN Access and cdma2000 HRPD Access to allow for pre-registration and handover signalling with the target system.

The S103 interface is defined between the Serving GW and HRPD PDSN and supports the forwarding of DL data during mobility from E-UTRAN to HRPD. Signalling procedures on the S101 interface are used to set up tunnels on the S103 interface.

The requirements for these interfaces are defined in 3GPP TS 23.402 [2].

The protocol stack used for the S101 interface shall be based on GTPv2-C, see 3GPP TS 29.274 [6] Figure 4.3.

The UDP header and port numbers definitions shall be as defined in GTPv2-C, see 3GPP TS 29.274 [6] section 4.3.1.

The IP header and IP addresses definitions shall be as defined in GTPv2-C, see 3GPP TS 29.274 [6] section 4.3.2.

Layer 1 and Layer 2 requirements shall as defined in GTPv2-C, see 3GPP TS 29.274 [6] sections 4.3.3 and 4.3.4.

5 Transmission Order and Bit Definitions

Transmission Order and Bit Definitions shall be as defined in GTPv2-C, see 3GPP TS 29.274 [6] section 4.4.

6 S101 Message Header

6.1 Introduction

The S101 Message Header is conformant to the GTPv2-C Message Header, see 3GPP TS 29.274 [6] section 5. All S101 messages shall have a header that includes specific parameters. The following list of header parameters are defined for the S101 interface:

- Version
- Flags (T = TEID Included)
- Message Type
- Length

6.2 S101 Message Header

The S101 header is a variable length header. The minimum length of the S101 header is eight octets. Space has been reserved for four flags that may be used in the future to signal the presence of additional optional header fields or utilities.

- Bit 4 (the T bit) may be set to one to indicate that a TEID is present in the header, as per 3GPP TS 29.274 [6]. The T bit shall be set to zero to indicate that the TEID field shall not be present in any message sent on the S101 interface.

If the header fields do not occupy a full eight octets, then spare octets shall be added after the last valid field in the S101 header to complete eight octets. Spare octets and bits shall be set to zero.

Always present fields:

- Version field: This field is used to determine the version of the S101 protocol. The version number shall be set to '010'.
- Message Type: This field indicates the type of S101 message. The valid values of the message type are defined in clause 7.1. Note that values chosen for Message Type shall be coordinated with and shall not overlap the Message Type values chosen for GTPv2-C in 3GPP TS 29.274 [6].
- Length: This field indicates the length in octets of the payload, i.e. the rest of the packet following the mandatory part of the S101 header (that is the first 4 octets).
- Sequence Number: This field enables the target system to identify any missing receipt of messages and is used also for acknowledgement of messages.

Octets	Bits							
	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
1	Version=010	(*)		T=0	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
2	Message Type							
3	Length (1 st Octet)							
4	Length (2 nd Octet)							
5	Sequence Number (1 st Octet)							
6	Sequence Number (2 nd Octet)							
7	Sequence Number (3 rd Octet)							
8	Spare							

NOTE 0: (*) This bit is a spare bit. It shall be sent as '0'. The receiver shall not evaluate this bit.

Figure 6.2-1: Layout of the S101 Message Header

7 S101 Messages and Message Formats

7.1 Introduction

This section is divided into path management which defines the general messages for the pre-configured tunnel and a section for the specific messages used for information transfer over the control plane.

Table 7.1 specifies GTPv2-C message types that are used across the S101 interface.

Table 7.1: Message types for S101

Message Type value (Decimal)	Message	Reference
0	Reserved	3GPP TS 29.274 [6]
1	Echo Request	3GPP TS 29.274 [6]
2	Echo Response	3GPP TS 29.274 [6]
3	Version Not Supported Indication	3GPP TS 29.274 [6]
4	Direct Transfer Request message	7.3.2
5	Direct Transfer Response message	7.3.3
6	Notification Request message	7.3.4
7	Notification Response message	7.3.5
8-24	For future S101 interface use	
25-31	Reserved for Sv interface	3GPP TS 29.280 [14]
32-255	Reserved for GTPv2-C spec	3GPP TS 29.274 [6]

7.2 Path Management Messages

7.2.1 Introduction

The path from the MME to the non-3GPP Access Network operationally requires management capabilities. The following GTPv2-C messages support path management for the S101 interface:

- Echo Request
- Echo Response
- Version Not Supported

These messages are defined for GTPv2-C and the handling and definition shall also be as defined in GTPv2-C, see 3GPP TS 29.274 [6].