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Introduction

Unmanned aircrafts (UAs) operating at low altitudes will provide a variety of commercial services in the near future. UAs that provide these services are distributed in the airspace. In level II, many people operate their own UAs without the assignment of communication channels from a central control centre.

This document describes video communication, which is a wireless distributed communication. Video communication allows UAs distributed over the airspace to transmit video without serious interference to the relevant video receiver which is usually a controller. The channels used for video communication have a multi-channel structure, which enables UA and video receiver pairs to independently use the occupied communication link. A wireless distributed communication described by this document is intended to be used in licensed frequency bands.

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ISO/IEC 4005-2: It describes communication in which all units involved in UA operation can broadcast or exchange information by sharing communication resources with each other.

ISO/IEC 4005-3: It describes the control communication for the controller to control the UA.

ISO/IEC 4005-4 (this document): It describes video communication for UAs to send video to a controller.

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Part 4: Physical and data link protocols for video communication

1 Scope

This document specifies communication protocols for the physical and data link layer of video communication, which is a wireless distributed communication network for units related with unmanned aircrafts (UAs) in level II.

This document describes video communication, which is one-to-one communication that transmits video from a UA to a video receiver. For the specific use of video communication, video can be transmitted from a UA to multiple receivers.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO/IEC 4005-1, *Telecommunications and information exchange between systems — Unmanned aircraft area network (UAAN) — Part 1: Communication model and requirements*

ISO/IEC 4005-2, *Telecommunications and information exchange between systems — Unmanned aircraft area network (UAAN) — Part 2: Physical and data link protocols for shared communication*

ISO/IEC 4005-3, *Telecommunications and information exchange between systems — Unmanned aircraft area network (UAAN) — Part 3: Physical and data link protocols for control communication*

ISO 21384-4, *Unmanned aircraft systems — Part 4: Vocabulary*

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— ISO Online browsing platform: available at https://www.iso.org/obp

— IEC Electropedia: available at https://www.electropedia.org/

4 Abbreviated terms

CC	Control Communication
CB	Coding Block
CRC	Cyclic Redundancy Check

CSCH	Control Subchannel
DL	Data Link
DLL	Data Link Layer
DQPSK	Differential Quadrature Phase Shift Keying
DS	Dedicated Slot
FN	Frame Number
GF	Galois Field
PCCC	Parallel Concatenated Convolutional Code
PB	Parsing Block
PH	Parsing Header
PKH	Packet Header
PN	Pseudo Noise
SA	Source Address
SC	Shared Communication
SRRC	Square Root Raised Cosine
TSB	Tone Slot Block
UTC	Coordinated Universal Time
VC	Video Communication
VSCH	Video Subchannel

5 Physical layer

5.1 Channel and frame structure for data channel

5.1.1 The number of data channels and bandwidth

The number of data channels is *L*. *L* is greater than or equal to one. The bandwidth of one data channel is 5 MHz as shown in Figure 1. The *L* is determined in the upper layer.

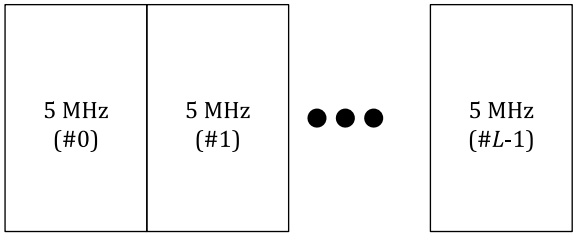
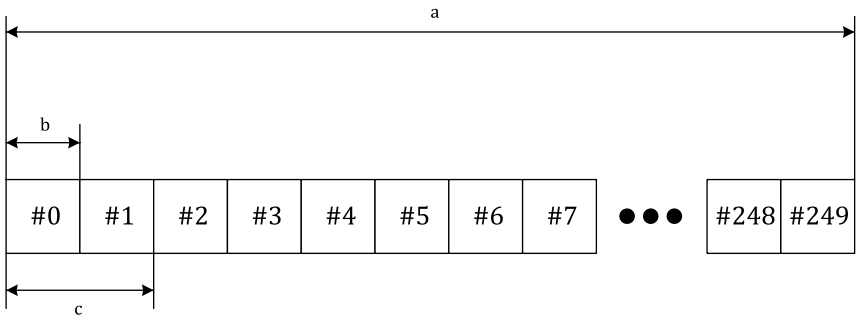


Figure 1 — Data channels in frequency region

5.1.2 Frame structure

The frame length of the data channel is 1 sec and consists of 250 slots. The one slot time T_s is 4 ms. A data slot block has 2 slots. Therefore, there are 125 data slot blocks in one frame, and the data slot block is 8 ms in length as shown in Figure 2. The frame number, *FN* changes from 0 to 59 in a 1 min interval, and has the same value as the second of the current time.



a 1 frame, T_f = 1 second = 250 T_s.

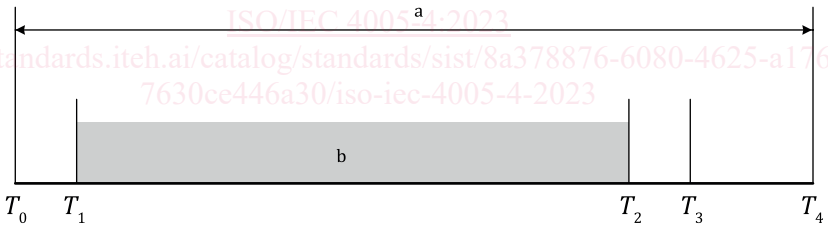
b 1 slot, T_s = 4 ms.

c 1 slot block, T_{sb} = 8 ms = 2 T_s.

Figure 2 — Data channel frame structure

5.1.3 Slot transmit time mask

The transmission time mask of a slot is as shown in Figure 3.



Key

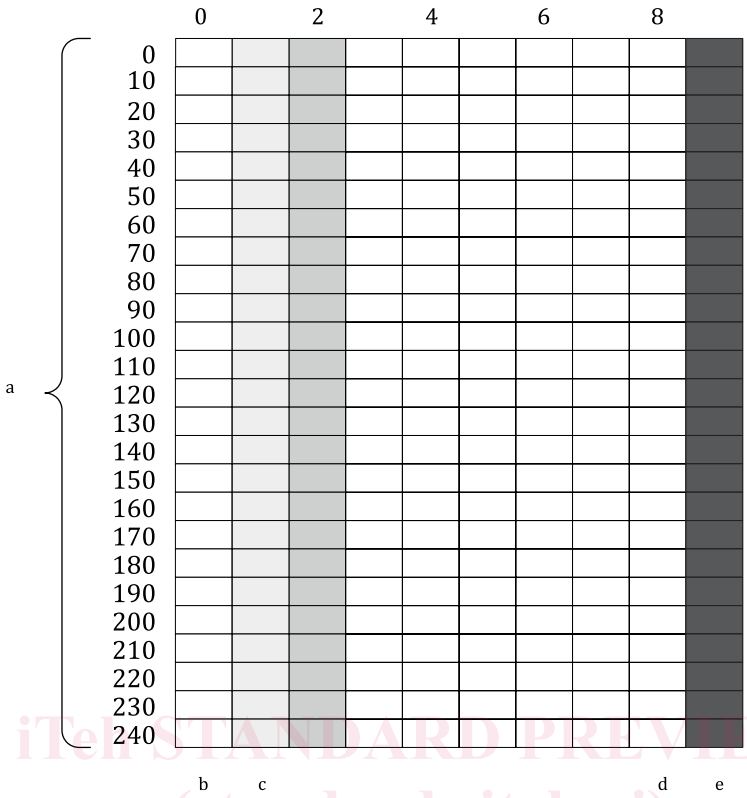
T_0	0 µs
T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4	symbol offset from T_0
a	4 ms.
b	Modulated signal.

Figure 3 — The transmission time mask of a slot

T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4 are symbol offsets from T_0 and symbol time is 1/2688000 sec. Each value is as follows: T_1 is 8, T_2 is 10380, T_3 is 10388, T_4 is 10752.

T_0 is 0 µs as the start time of the slot and the power amplifier is gated on and unmodulated fine signals begin to be transmitted. T_1 is an offset at which modulation signal transmission starts. T_2 is an offset at which the transmission of the modulated signal ends. T_3 is an offset at which the power amplifier is gated off, and transmission of unmodulated fine signals is stopped. The transmit power of T_0 to T_1, T_2 to T_3 shall be at least 50 dB less than the modulation signal transmit power.

5.1.4 Sub channels



a V_x
b $V_{x,0}$
c $V_{x,1}$
d $V_{x,8}$
e $V_{x,9}$

Figure 4 — Sub channel structure of video communication in even frame

One data channel consists of 10 subchannels as shown in Figure 4. Subchannel y of video channel x is composed of the following slot set.

$$V_{x,y} = S_{x,z}, S_{x,z+10}, S_{x,z+20}, \ldots, S_{x,z+240}$$

$$z = \begin{cases} y, & even\ frame \\ y+1-\lfloor (y \bmod 2)/2 \rfloor \times 2, & odd\ frame \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where

y is subchannel number, y=0, 1, …, 9;

$S_{x,z}$ is slot z of video channel x.

The subchannel consists of 25 slots, the i-th slot resource of the subchannel y of the channel x is indicated by $SR_{x,y,i}$, and the subchannel y of frequency channel x is indicated by $V_{x,y}$. Therefore, $V_{x,y}$ is as follows:

$$V_{x,y} = SR_{x,y,0}, SR_{x,y,1}, \ldots, SR_{x,y,24} \quad (2)$$

where $SR_{x,y,i}$ is i-th slot resource of subchannel y of channel x, i=0, …, 24.

All slots of video channel are downlink.

5.1.5 Dedicated subchannels

The upper layer can predetermine one or several subchannels as dedicated subchannels. In this case, the tone subslot set mapped with the dedicated subchannel is not used as a competition tone and can be used for other purposes.

Dedicated subchannel information is received from an upper layer through UPtoDL. InfoDedicatedChannel.

5.2 Channel and frame structure for tone channel

5.2.1 General

The tone channel of video communication means a competitive tone channel. The tone channel used for video communication resource allocation and the tone channel used for control communication resource allocation are the same channel (see ISO/IEC 4005-3).

5.2.2 Slot transmit power

The maximum transmission power PmaxTCH of the tone slot mapped to the video subchannel (VSCH) is received as UPtoDL.InfoPowerParamVCH from the upper layer. The power of the tone subslot signal is determined by adding the PTX_VCHTCH_differ value to the transmission power of the mapped VSCH.

5.3 Encoding procedure

The encoding follows the following procedure. CRC encoding, turbo coding, rate matching, interleaving, modulation mapping, burst mapping, and pulse mapping are performed in this order as shown in Figure 5.

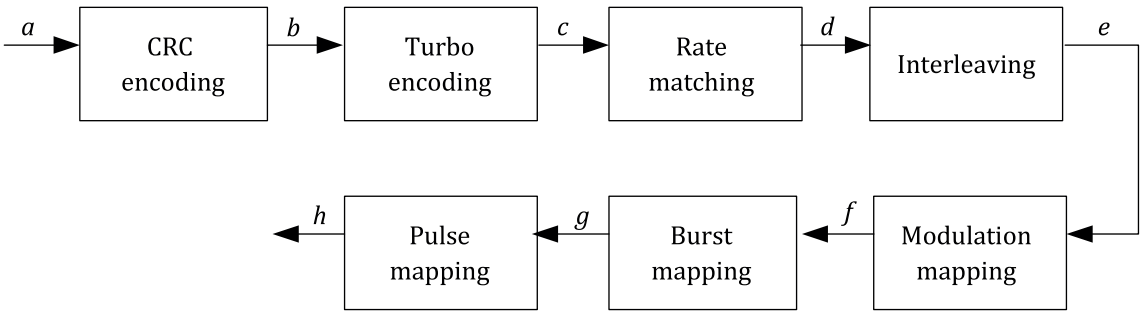


Figure 5 — Encoding procedure

The number of symbols according to each encoding stage is shown in Table 1, where the encoding input consists of two code blocks, CB0 and CB1 as shown in Figure 14. Each code block undergoes CRC encoding, turbo coding, rate matching, interleaving, and modulation mapping processes, respectively. The length of each code block in these processes is 4094, 4928, 9868, 9856, 9856, and 4928. The two code blocks are merged into one burst during burst mapping.

Table 1 — Number of symbols at each encoding stage

Stage	Number of symbols
a	4904 × 2 (binary)
b	4928 × 2 (binary)
c	9868 × 2 (binary)
d	9856 × 2 (binary)
e	9856 × 2 (binary)
f	4928 × 2 (complex)
g	10364 (complex)
h	10372 × *OS* (complex)

5.3.1 CRC encoding

The input bits are defined as $a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, \ldots, a_{A-1}$ and parity bits as $p_0, p_1, p_2, p_3, \ldots, p_{23}$ where A represents the number of input sequences. Parity bits are generated through CRC generation polynomial as follows.

$$g_{\mathrm{CRC}}(D) = D^{24} + D^{22} + D^6 + D^5 + D + 1 \tag{3}$$

The encoding performed through the cyclic generator polynomials has a systematic form as follows. The resulting polynomial has zero remainder when it is divided by $g_{\mathrm{CRC}}(D)$ on GF(2).

$$a_0 D^{A+23} + a_1 D^{A+22} + \ldots + a_{A-1} D^{24} + p_0 D^{23} + p_1 D^{22} + \ldots + p_{22} D^1 + p_{23} \tag{4}$$

After CRC insertion, bits are represented by $b_0, b_1, b_2, b_3, \ldots, b_{B-1}$ (where $B = A + 24$), and the relationship between a_k and b_k is as follows.

$$b_k = \begin{cases} a_k, & for\, k = 0,1,2,\cdots,A-1 \\ P_{k-A}, & for\, k = A, A+1, A+2, \cdots, A+23 \end{cases} \tag{5}$$

5.3.2 Turbo encoding

The turbo encoder consists of Parallel Concatenated Convolutional Code (PCCC) with two 8-state constituent encoders and one turbo coded internal interleaver. The coding rate of the turbo encoder is 1/2. The structure of the turbo encoder is shown in Figure 6. The PCCC transfer function is as follows.

$$G(D) = [1, g_1(D)/g_0(D)] \tag{6}$$

where $g_0(D) = 1+D^2+D^3$, $g_1(D) = 1+D+D^3$.

When the input bits of the turbo encoder are encoded, the initial values of the shift registers of the 8-state constituent encoder shall all be zero.

For k = 0, 1, 2, …, B/2-1, the output value of the turbo encoder is expressed as follows.

$$c_{4k} = x_{2k}$$

$$c_{4k+1} = z_{2k}$$

$$c_{4k+2} = x_{2k+1}$$

$$c_{4k+3} = z'_{2k+1} \tag{7}$$

Output bits of the first and second 8-state constituent encoders for turbo encoder input bits b_0, b_1, b_2, b_3, …, b_{B-1} are z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3, …, z_{B-1} and z'_0, z'_1, z'_2, z'_3, …, z'_{B-1}, and the output bits through the turbo code internal interleaver that is described in Annex A are represented by b'_0, b'_1, b'_2, b'_3, …, b'_{B-1}. These output bits are used as inputs for the second 8-state constituent encoder.

Trellis termination is performed by taking tail bits from shift register feedback after all information bits have been encoded. The generated tail bits are added after encoding of the information bits.

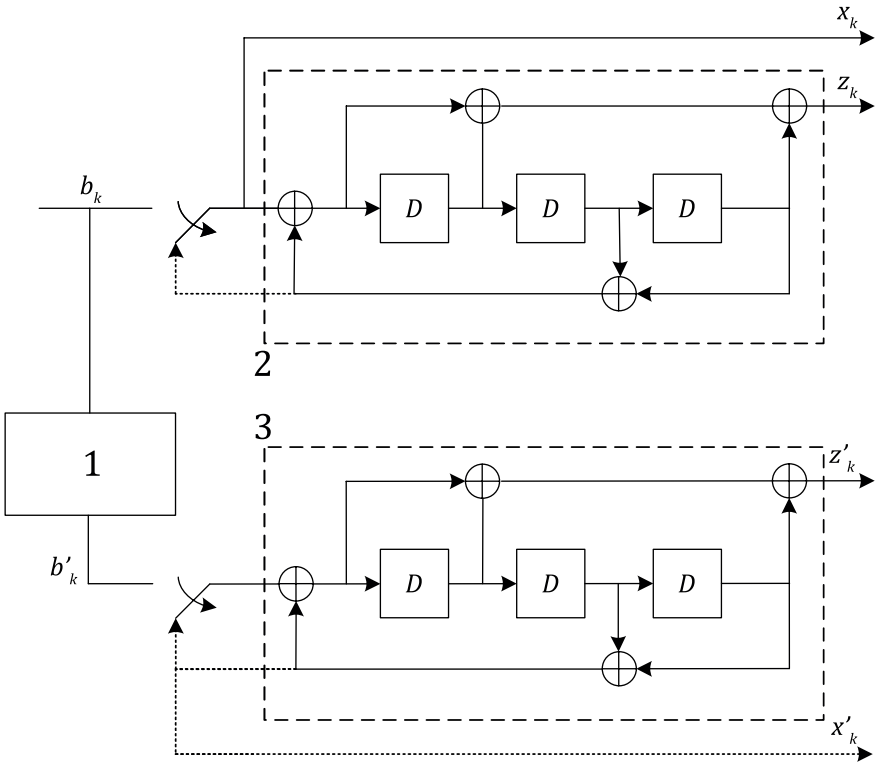
The first three tail bits are used for the first constituent encoder termination and not the second constituent encoder. The remaining three tail bits are used for the termination of the second constituent encoder and not the first constituent encoder.

The bits transmitted for trellis termination are determined as follows.

$$c_{2B} = x_B,\ c_{2B+3} = z_{B+1},\ c_{2B+6} = x'_B,\ c_{2B+9} = z'_{B+1}$$

$$c_{2B+1} = z_B,\ c_{2B+4} = x_{B+2},\ c_{2B+7} = z'_B,\ c_{2B+10} = x'_{B+2}$$

$$c_{2B+2} = x_{B+1},\ c_{2B+5} = z_{B+2},\ c_{2B+8} = x'_{B+1},\ c_{2B+11} = z'_{B+2} \tag{8}$$



Key

1 turbo code internal interleaver
2 first constituent encoder
3 second constituent encoder
D register
b_k a k-th bit of turbo encoder input
b'_k a k-th bit of turbo code internal interleaver output
x_k a k-th systematic bit of turbo encoder output
z_k a k-th bit of first constituent encoder output
x'_k a k-th bit of second constituent encoder output for trellis termination
z'_k a k-th bit of second constituent encoder output

Figure 6 — Turbo encoder structure

Input bit sequence of turbo code internal interleave, b_0, b_1, b_2, b_3, ..., b_{B-1} and output bit sequence generated from turbo code internal interleaver, b'_0, b'_1, b'_2, b'_3, ..., b'_{B-1} have the following relationship.

$$b'_i = b_j \tag{9}$$

where the mapping between the output bit index i and the input bit index j shall follow Table A.1 of Annex A where j and i are as follows, and row and column numbers start at zero.

j = (number shown in table) − 1

$$i = (\text{row number in table}) \times 16 + (\text{column number in table}) \tag{10}$$

5.3.3 Rate matching

Rate matching outputs d_0, d_1, d_2, d_3, ..., $d_{D\text{-}1}$ by puncturing the input bits c_0, c_1, c_2, c_3, ..., $c_{C\text{-}1}$. The puncturing bit numbers are as follows.

— 821, 1643, 2461, 3283, 4101, 4923, 5741, 6563, 7381, 8203, 9021, 9843

5.3.4 Interleaving

The interleaver uses block interleaving with 77 rows and 128 columns.

$$e_m = d_n$$

$$m = (n \times 77)\ \%9856 + \lfloor n/128 \rfloor \quad (11)$$

where $\lfloor x \rfloor$ means the largest integer among integers less than or equal to x and $0 \le n \le 9855$.

5.3.5 Modulation mapping

Modulation mapping generates a complex symbol f_n from the input bit e_m, $0 \le n \le 9855$, $0 \le m \le 4927$. Two input bits are mapped to one complex number as shown in Table 2.

Table 2 — Modulation mapping

$e_{2n}e_{2n+1}$	**00**	**01**	**10**	**11**
f_n	$exp(j/4\pi)$	$exp(j\cdot 7/4\pi)$	$exp(j\cdot 3/4\pi)$	$exp(j\cdot 5/4\pi)$

5.3.6 Burst mapping

Output complex symbols $g_0, g_1, ..., g_{4927}$ are generated from $f_0, f_1, ..., f_{4927}$ of CB0 and $f_0, f_1, ..., f_{4927}$ of CB1.

$$g_n = \prod_{k=0}^{n} c(k) \quad (12)$$

where $c(n)$ is shown in Table 3.

Table 3 — $c(n)$

n	$c(n)$	Number of symbols
0, 1	$TSS(n)$	2
2, ..., 37	$PTS1(n\text{-}2)$	36
38, ..., 767	$f_{n\text{-}38}$ of CB0	730
768, ..., 803	$PTS1(n\text{-}768)$	36
804, ..., 1533	$f_{n\text{-}74}$ of CB0	730
1534, ..., 1569	$PTS1(n\text{-}1534)$	36
1570, ..., 2299	$f_{n\text{-}110}$ of CB0	730
2300, ..., 2335	$PTS1(n\text{-}2300)$	36
2336, ..., 3065	$f_{n\text{-}146}$ of CB0	730
3066, ..., 3101	$PTS1(n\text{-}3066)$	36
3102, ..., 3831	$f_{n\text{-}182}$ of CB0	730
3832, ..., 3867	$PTS1(n\text{-}3832)$	36
3868, ..., 4597	$f_{n\text{-}218}$ of CB0	730
4598, ..., 4633	$PTS1(n\text{-}4598)$	36