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Gateway control protocol: Facsimile, text conversation and call discrimination packages

Summary
Recommendation ITU-T H.248.2 defines packages that extend the applicability of the ITU-T H.248.1 Gateway Control Protocol Recommendation. Specifically, this Recommendation describes packages for fax, text telephone, call type discrimination and data call detection for use with the ITU-T H.248.1 Gateway Control Protocol. As defined in Recommendation ITU-T H.248.1, a "package" is an extension to ITU-T H.248.1 that supports specific behaviour.

The packages are intended for control over gateway functions for transport of facsimile or text conversation between different network environments. Extensions can be made for other kinds of data transport.

- **The Call Type Discrimination package** defines control and monitoring of a line for the signalling protocols used in the beginning of a session of data transmission for fax, text telephony or data. This package has been revised to enable the MG to autonomously determine the call type to be supported.

- **The Text Telephone package** defines control of a text telephone session in any of the modes supported by the automoding text telephone Recommendation, ITU-T V.18.

- **The Fax package** defines control of a fax transmission.

- **The Fax/Textphone/Modem Tones Detection package** defines control over a termination for detection of any signals from a fax, text telephone or data modem during a connection in voice mode.

- **The Text Conversation package** defines control over a real-time interactive text conversation session using a universal presentation format and transferred with a transport method from a multimedia protocol in any network environment.

- **The IP Fax package** defines control over facsimile transmission in a packet network.

All the packages have been editorially modified to align with the ITU-T H.248.1 packages template.

Amendment 1 (2007) to the 2005 revision provides an enhancement to the types of call that may be discriminated through in-band signalling. It groups existing call types into like types. It provides an explanation of when those types are used. Several new call types are added to the Discriminated Call Type event. The Call discrimination flows have been corrected with the correct events.

This 2013 revision incorporates a correction to the example call flow in Appendix I.

NOTE – This Recommendation has been renumbered. It was previously known as Recommendation ITU-T H.248, Annex F.

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Gateway control protocol: Facsimile, text conversation and call discrimination packages

1 Scope
This Recommendation describes packages for the ITU-T H.248.1 gateway protocol related to data or telematic services. With terminations implementing these packages, a gateway is expected to handle initial modem negotiations, and the communication in voice, fax and text telephone call types. It contains:

– Package "ftmd" for general detection of signals on a fixed telephone line indicating a possible request to enter some data-related mode;
– Package "ctyp" for general call discrimination to sort out if a call should be handled as voice, fax, text telephone or modem data, and perform the initial negotiation;
– Package "txp" for communicating with text telephones in the telephone network;
– Package "fax" for communication with facsimile in the telephone network;
– Package "txc" for general text conversation in other environments;
– Package "ipfax" for fax transmission in IP networks.

2 References
The following ITU-T Recommendations and other references contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this Recommendation. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All Recommendations and other references are subject to revision; users of this Recommendation are therefore encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent edition of the Recommendations and other references listed below. A list of the currently valid ITU-T Recommendations is regularly published. The reference to a document within this Recommendation does not give it, as a stand-alone document, the status of a Recommendation.


Recommendation ITU-T T.50 (1992), *International Reference Alphabet (IRA) (Formerly International Alphabet No. 5 or IA5) – Information technology – 7-bit coded character set for information interchange.*


Recommendation ITU-T V.8 bis (2000), *Procedures for the identification and selection of common modes of operation between data circuit-terminating equipments (DCEs) and between data terminal equipments (DTEs) over the public switched telephone network and on leased point-to-point telephone-type circuits.*

Recommendation ITU-T V.17 (1991), *A 2-wire modem for facsimile applications with rates up to 14 400 bit/s, plus Corrigendum 1 (1998).*

Recommendation ITU-T V.18 (2000), *Operational and interworking requirements for DCEs operating in the text telephone mode, plus Amendment 1 (2002).*


Recommendation ITU-T V.25 (1996), *Automatic answering equipment and general procedures for automatic calling equipment on the general switched telephone network including procedures for disabling of echo control devices for both manually and automatically established calls, plus Corrigendum 1 (2001).*


Recommendation ITU-T V.34 (1998), *A modem operating at signalling rates of up to 33 600 bit/s for use on the general switched telephone network and on leased point-to-point 2-wire telephone-type circuits.*

Recommendation ITU-T V.61 (1996), *A simultaneous voice plus data modem, operating at a voice plus data signalling rate of 4800 bit/s, with optional automatic switching to data-only signalling rates of up to 14 400 bit/s, for use on the General Switched Telephone Network and on leased point-to-point 2-wire telephone-type circuits.*

Recommendation ITU-T V.90 (1998), *A digital modem and analogue modem pair for use on the Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) at data signalling rates of up to 56 000 bit/s downstream and up to 33 600 bit/s upstream.*


IETF RFC 4103 (2005), *RTP Payload for Text Conversation.*
3 Definitions

This Recommendation defines the following terms:

3.1 hexadecimal octet coding: Hexadecimal octet coding is a means for representing a string of octets as a string of hexadecimal digits, with two digits representing each octet.

Each octet is issued by the DTE or DCE in the same time sequence as transmitted on the GSTN line, with no intervening characters.

For each octet, the 8-bit sequence is encoded as two hexadecimal digits. Bit 0 is the first transmitted; bit 7 is the last.

Bits 7-4 are encoded as the first hexadecimal digit, with bit 7 as MSB and bit 4 as LSB. Bits 3-0 are encoded as the second hexadecimal digit, with bit 3 as MSB and bit 0 as LSB.

Examples:

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3.2 hexadecimal octet sequence: A hexadecimal octet sequence is an even number of hexadecimal digits, terminated by a <CR> (ITU-T T.50 0/13) character.

4 Abbreviations and acronyms

This Recommendation uses the following abbreviations and acronyms:

CR Carriage Return
DCE Date Circuit-terminating Equipment
DTE Data Terminal Equipment
DTMF Dual Tone Multi Frequency
EDT European Deaf Telephone
FAX Facsimile
FCS Frame Check Sequence
GSTN General Switched Telephone Network
ID Identity
IP Internet Protocol
ISDN Integrated Services Digital Network
LSB Least Significant Bit
MG Media Gateway
MGC Media Gateway Controller
FAX/Textphone/Modem Tones Detection package

Package name: FAX/Textphone/Modem Tones Detection package
Package ID: ftmd (0x000E)
Description: This package defines an event to detect the presence of data traffic (fax, textphone or modem) on a line. The main intention of this event may be used to effect the compression option on the line so that an audio codec capable of transmitting modem signals can be invoked to handle the connection when needed. This Package extends the possible values of tone id in the "start tone detected" event. Note that there is no discrimination between tones from this package. If discrimination is desired, the Call Type Discrimination package should be invoked.

Version: 1
Extends: tonedet version 1

5.1 Properties
None.

5.2 Events
Events are defined as for the Tone Detection package (see [ITU-T H.248.1]).

5.2.1 Additional tone id value
Tone Id: dtfm (0x0039)
This tone id is generated when any of the following tones are detected.

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<td>a Baudot initial tone and character (as defined in [ITU-T V.18])</td>
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5.3 Signals
None.

5.4 Statistics
None.

5.5 Procedures
None.

6 Text Conversation package

Package name: Text Conversation
Package ID: txc (0x000F)
Description: The Text Conversation package is intended for enabling real-time text conversation between terminals in different networks or multimedia environments. This package includes the mechanisms needed to transport ITU-T T.140 text conversation streams in multimedia environments. The transport mechanism will be different for each environment where the package is used.

Version: 1
Extends: None

6.1 Properties

6.1.1 Text Buffering Time

Property name: Text Buffering Time
Property ID: bufftime (0x0001)
Description: This property indicates the time in ms that ITU-T T.140 data shall be collected before transmission in order to minimize text overhead. In low bit rate IP networks, a value of 300 ms is recommended. In environments with low overhead or high bit rates, this property should have the value 0, enabling immediate transmission of entered characters.

Type: Integer
Possible values: 0-500
6.1.2 Text Termination Connection State

Property name: Text Termination Connection State
Property ID: connstate (0x0002)
Description: The connection state property is used to register text capability, request a text connection, and reflect details of the achieved text connection. For transport methods having separate channel control procedures, managed by the MGC, only a subset of the values is used: Idle, Prepare, Connected.
Type: Enumeration
Possible values:
- Idle (0x0001) For no connection efforts
- Prepare (0x0002) For being known in the termination and ready to accept (the text capability is offered in session requests)
- Initiate (0x0003) For taking the initiative to establish a text connection opening a text channel
- Accept (0x0004) For accepting an incoming request for a text session
- Deny (0x0005) For denying an incoming text connect request
- Connected (0x0006) For established connection in text mode
Default: Idle (0x0001)
Defined in: TerminationState
Characteristics: Read/Write

6.1.3 Text User Identity

Property name: Text User Identity
Property ID: txuserid (0x0003)
Description: This parameter holds the optional remote User Identity parameter of an ITU-T T.140 text conversation session, retrieved from the session.
Type: String
Possible values: String of up to 64 characters in Unicode UTF-8
Default: None
Defined in: LocalControl
Characteristics: Read/Write
6.1.4  Text Transport

**Property name:** Text Transport  
**Property ID:** trpt (0x0004)  
**Description:** The Transport parameter reflects the transport mechanism selected for the Text Conversation termination. When the media description has the full capability of describing sessions including the transport mechanism, this parameter is implied by the media descriptor.

**Type:** Enumeration  
**Possible values:**
- H224 (0x0001) For ITU-T H.224 Client ID = 2 in [ITU-T H.320]
- AL1 (0x0002) For AL1 in [ITU-T H.324]
- TCP (0x0003) For TCP as in Annex G of [ITU-T H.323]
- RTP/T.140 (0x0004) For RTP with ITU-T T.140 as in Annex G of [ITU-T H.323] or IETF SIP
- RTP/RED/T.140 (0x0005) For RTP with ITU-T T.140 and redundancy coding RED as in Annex G of [ITU-T H.323] or IETF SIP
- T.134 (0x0006) For ITU-T T.134 in the ITU-T T.120 environment
- Unassigned (0x0007) When no transport protocol is assigned

**Default:** Unassigned (0x0007)  
**Defined in:** LocalControl  
**Characteristics:** Read/Write

6.1.5  Text Protocol Version

**Property name:** Text Protocol Version  
**Property ID:** TextProto (0x0005)  
**Description:** The version of the ITU-T T.140 protocol used in the connection.

**Type:** Integer  
**Possible values:** Any integer corresponding to an ITU-T T.140 version number. (Currently 1)

**Default:** 1  
**Defined in:** LocalControl  
**Characteristics:** Read/Write

6.1.6  Redundancy Level

**Property name:** Redundancy Level  
**Property ID:** red (0x0006)
Description: The number of generations to use in RTP redundancy coding including the Primary.
Type: Integer
Possible values: 0-6
0 = use default or automatic decision on redundancy level
1 = use no redundancy
2-6 = use specified number of generations of data
Default: 0
Defined in: LocalControl
Characteristics: Read/Write

6.1.7 Txc Request Timer

Property name: Txc Request Timer
Property ID: txctim (0x0007)
Description: The txctim property is a timer value in tenths of seconds for the requested operation. If the requested operation is not completed within this time, the state is returned to Idle and the result reported in the connchange event. An initial timer value of 0 indicates that no timer control is requested.

Type: integer
Possible values: 0-6000
Default: 0
Defined in: LocalControl
Characteristics: Read/Write

6.2 Events

6.2.1 Connection State Change

Event name: Connection State Change
Event ID: connchange (0x0001)
Description: This event will occur when the text connection state for the termination has changed. Its parameter is the new contents of the Connection State property. If a request timed out, the state is returned to Idle.

6.2.1.1 EventDescriptor parameters
None.

6.2.1.2 ObservedEventDescriptor parameters

6.2.1.2.1 Connection Change

Parameter name: Connection Change
Parameter ID: connchng (0x0001)
Description: Indicates the current connection state
Type: Enumeration
Optional: No
Possible value: As property txc/connstate
Default: None

6.3 Signals
None.

6.4 Statistics

6.4.1 Characters Transferred
Statistic name: Characters Transferred
Statistics ID: chartrans (0x0001)
Description: Number of bytes of ITU-T T.140 data transferred through the termination
Type: Integer
Possible values: 0 and up
Level: Termination

6.4.2 Packets Lost
Statistic name: Packets Lost
Statistics ID: packlost (0x0002)
Description: Number of ITU-T T.140 packets lost as counted by the receiving ITU-T T.140 termination
Type: integer
Possible values: 0 and up
Level: Termination

6.5 Procedures
The following are standard transport mechanisms for text conversation in different environments.
- In ITU-T H.320: ITU-T H.224 with Client ID = 2;
- In ITU-T H.324: AL1 channel connected with ITU-T H.245 procedures;
- In ITU-T H.323: RTP/T.140 or TCP as selected with ITU-T H.245 messages;
- In IETF SIP: RTP/T.140 as initiated with SDP.

NOTE – ITU-T T.140 text media is also used together with ITU-T V.18 modems for text telephony; this is specified in a separate package: Text_Telephone (txp).

The Text Conversation package is intended to be added to a multimedia termination, handling appropriate multiplexing and control.
6.5.1 Function

A termination with Text Conversation adds capability declaration for a text conversation channel in the call set-up according to procedures defined for each environment. When matching capabilities exist, an ITU-T T.140 channel can be established according to the transport protocol used in the current environment. ITU-T T.140 text stream contents received from one termination are transferred for transmission to other ITU-T T.140 capable terminations in the context. The ITU-T T.140 contents may be buffered for a short moment for possible collection of more text in the same transmission according to the buffer time property.

6.5.2 Informative description

Real-time text conversation allows telecom users to carry out a written conversation. The presentation and coding aspects of standardized text conversation are defined in [ITU-T T.140]. Text is transmitted character by character (or in small blocks) so that the users experience a close interaction. The text and basic editing control is ISO/IEC 10646-1, UTF-8 coded. Figure 1 gives an example of how a text conversation can be displayed to the user.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ANNE</th>
<th>EVE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Hi, this is Anne.</td>
<td>Oh, hello Anne, I am glad you are calling! It's been long since we met!</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Yes, have you heard that I will come to Paris in November?</td>
<td>No, that's new to me. What brings you here?</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Figure 1 – Possible display of a one-to-one text conversation

For each transport environment, a suitable transport protocol must be selected to carry the text. Currently defined and recommended transport environments for ITU-T T.140 text media streams that can be supported by this package are:

1) packet networks, where the procedures described in Annex G of [ITU-T H.323] can be used for setting up and conducting text conversation sessions, using TCP or RTP/T.140 for the transport of ITU-T T.140;

2) packet networks, where the IETF Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) can be used for setting up and conducting text conversation sessions using RTP/T.140 for the transport of ITU-T T.140;

3) the ITU-T H.324 multimedia environment in PSTN, ISDN and Mobile networks, where an AL1 channel connected by ITU-T H.245 procedures is used for ITU-T T.140;

4) the ITU-T H.320 multimedia environment, where an ITU-T H.224 channel with Client ID = 2 is specified for transport of ITU-T T.140;

5) the ITU-T T.120 data conferencing environment, that can be used alone, or in conjunction with any of the environments above, where ITU-T T.134 specifies the application entity and ITU-T T.125 the data channel for ITU-T T.140.

A separate Text Telephone package (txp) supports text telephony in the PSTN using the ITU-T V.18 modem in native and legacy modes, and ITU-T T.140 for communication with terminations using this package.

Interworking between these forms of Text Conversation can be achieved through the use of gateways with packages defined here.
6.5.3 Total Conversation

Most text conversation transport environments are part of multimedia communication systems. With the introduction of text, they enable conversation in video, text and voice simultaneously, called Total Conversation. The total set of communication modes that people tend to use locally can be offered on a distance through Total Conversation. Since the text part is built on the unified presentation level T.140, the task to arrange interoperability of Total Conversation in different network environments through a gateway is simplified.

Video is optional in the multimedia systems. Therefore, compatible text-and-voice conversation can also be established within the same framework.

6.5.4 Descriptor to use for text conversation

One descriptor value is of specific interest for the Text Conversation and Text Telephone packages. That is the text conversation media stream. It is described here for information.

Text conversation stream

This descriptor is used for the text conversation stream, according to [ITU-T T.140]. [ITU-T T.140] gives a general presentation level description for a termination supporting real-time text conversation. The text and basic editing control is UTF-8 coded. For each transport environment, a suitable transport protocol must be selected to carry the text.

T.140 is a registered MIME text stream name, which can be specified to be used as it is or in RTP embedding of [IETF RFC 4103].

7 Text Telephone package

| Package name:    | Text Telephone package               |
| Package ID:      | txp (0x0010)                          |
| Description:     | The Text Telephone package is used on a line termination in a Media Gateway, to handle text telephone calls. It includes ITU-T V.18 text telephone modem functionality that adapts to different legacy text telephone systems in the PSTN as well as it provides communication with ITU-T V.18-equipped text telephones. The text media stream is UTF-8 coded with a few editing functions as specified in [ITU-T T.140]. The Text Telephone package is intended to be operated together with the Call Type Discrimination package (ctyp) to perform ITU-T V.18 automoding functions. |
| Version:         | 1                                     |
| Extends:         | None                                  |

Text telephony

Text telephony offers a real-time conversation in text between two parties. It may be combined with voice conversation. Text telephony in PSTN existed in at least six incompatible legacy modes before the automoding modem Recommendation for text telephony ITU-T V.18 was introduced by [ITU-T V.18]. It is suitable for use in PSTN text telephones, as well as in gateways for connection to the PSTN text telephones. When connected, it can operate in one of its native ITU-T V.18 modes, or in any of the six legacy modes described in [ITU-T V.18] annexes. The legacy modes are Baudot, EDT, DTMF, V.21, Minitel and Bell 103. The mode detection and adjustment of the transmission to the selected mode is automatic.

The native modes use [ITU-T T.140] for the text coding and control and [ITU-T V.21] or optionally [ITU-T V.61] for the modulation. The legacy modes use different character coding schemes, but
when used in a gateway, the text stream to and from the textphone termination is ITU-T T.140 coded for all modes. The text telephone package described here includes character conversion, filtering and other adaptation needed for conversation with the legacy mode text telephones.

**Carrier modes and carrierless modes**

Three of the legacy textphone modes are carrierless. This means that they do not send any signal at all when there are no characters to transmit. Three legacy modes and the native ITU-T V.18 modes use a carrier tone transmitted as long as the connection is maintained. If the carrier stops, it is detected but the line is not disconnected because this is normal behaviour when transferring call or when alternating between voice and text usage.

**Text Telephone package considerations above the ITU-T V.18 modem level**

[ITU-T V.18] only specifies an automoding modem and the requirement to use ITU-T T.140 when ITU-T V.18 native mode is achieved in a connection. When used in a gateway, there are some general issues that must be handled above the ITU-T V.18 level.

**Character set**

The legacy modes have limited character sets. For all legacy modes, appropriate character conversion, filtering and control interception are included in the package functionality, so that the communication with other ITU-T T.140 text terminations in the context is equalized to an ITU-T T.140 text stream.

**Embedded termination functionality**

There is no need to open all details of the use of ITU-T V.18 and ITU-T T.140 to be accessible from the MGC in a gateway. ITU-T V.18, ITU-T T.140, character conversion methods and other automated methods are therefore combined in the Text Telephone package that can be added to suitable terminations of a gateway. Figure 2 describes the Text Telephone package components.

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**Figure 2 – Text Telephone package functional view**
7.1 Properties

7.1.1 Conversation mode

Property name: Conversation mode
Property ID: convmode (0x0001)
Description: The behaviour of the termination is influenced by this property. By setting the property to a selection of the possible values, the number of ways that the conversation can be conducted can be defined. After connection the property contains the actual conversation mode used in the call.

The basic text-only mode shall always be supported.

The alternating text and voice mode is most often used to enable one user to speak and read and the other to listen and type. It is used because there was no technology support for simultaneous voice and text when text telephony was introduced. It is only supported for compatibility with the legacy mode text telephone habits.

The simultaneous text and voice mode enables the users to communicate in any combination and order of the two media. No legacy mode terminals operate in this mode. ITU-T V.18-equipped terminals with ITU-T V.61 modulation can operate in this mode.

Type: Sub-list of Enumeration
Possible values:
- Text-only (0x0001) Basic text-only mode, not possible to combine with voice
- Alternating (0x0002) Text and voice may be alternating
- Simultaneous (0x0003) Simultaneous text and voice mode

Default: Provisioned
Defined in: Termination state
Characteristics: Read/Write

7.1.2 Communication Mode

Property name: Communication Mode
Property ID: commode (0x0002)
Description: This property indicates what modulation and mode the ITU-T V.18 modem is operating in, reflecting what type of text telephone it is in connection with. For an explanation of the different modes, see [ITU-T V.18].

If a specific mode of operation is wanted, this property is set before the text connection is made.

Normally it is set with the outcome of the ITU-T V.18 automoding procedure performed with the Call Type Discrimination package.

When a legacy mode textphone signal is detected by the Call Type Discrimination package, the connection result is only reported, but ITU-T V.18 does not transmit any signal until ordered to do so by setting this property or when probing is invoked.

Type: Enumeration
Possible values:
- V18-V21Hi (0x0001) Native ITU-T V.18 mode transmitting on the high channel for text only or text
and voice alternatively

V18-V21Lo (0x0002) Native ITU-T V.18 mode transmitting on the low channel for text only or text and voice alternatively

V18-V61C (0x0003) Native ITU-T V.18 mode for text and voice simultaneously, transmitting in the caller's channel

V18-V61A (0x0004) Native ITU-T V.18 mode for text and voice simultaneously, transmitting in the answering part's channel

V21Hi (0x0005) Legacy ITU-T V.21 mode transmitting on the high channel

V21Lo (0x0006) Legacy ITU-T V.21 mode transmitting on the low channel

DTMF (0x0007) DTMF text telephone mode

EDT (0x0008) EDT ("European Deaf Telephone")

Baudot 45 (0x0009) Baudot 45.45 bit/s

Baudot 47 (0x000A) Baudot undetermined bit rate

Baudot 50 (0x000B) Baudot 50 bit/s

V23Hi (0x000C) ITU-T V.23 modulation and Minitel coding transmitting on the high channel

V23Lo (0x000D) ITU-T V.23 modulation and Minitel coding, transmitting on the low channel

BellHi (0x000E) Bell 103, transmitting on the high channel

BellLo (0x000F) Bell 103, transmitting on the low channel

None (0x0010) No mode achieved

Default: "None" (0x0010)

Defined in: LocalControl

Characteristics: Read/Write

7.1.3 Connection Mode

Property name: Connection Mode

Property ID: connmode (0x0003)

Description: This property indicates in what connection phase and mode the ITU-T V.18 modem is operating. A connection effort is initiated by setting this property to connecting, with the desired mode in the Communication Mode property.

An ITU-T V.18 modem can be controlled to operate in one of a set of modes for seeking contact with a counterpart. The modes available are listed as values of this property. Determination of the mode is made by the ctyp package, possibly combined with the probing action of that package.

Once connected, the termination operates in the selected mode until the text connection is lost or it is ordered to disconnect. If text
connection is lost for a certain time, the automoding procedure can be restarted through the ctyp package, or the modem can stay in the achieved mode trying to reconnect.

The ctyp package may be used on a connected voice line to detect if the remote user wants to enter text mode. It must be noted that for some of the legacy modes (EDT, DTMF and Baudot), the user has to push some keys on the textphone to make the connection when ITU-T V.18 is set in the automode monitor mode. This is slightly unusual for a textphone user, who normally waits for the answering side to start the conversation. Therefore, the explicit automoding modes should be used when possible, probing as answering and sending ITU-T V.18 signals as calling.

If a connection request fails, the property returns to Idle state. If the connection request succeeds, the property changes value to Connected.

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<tr>
<th>Type:</th>
<th>Enumeration</th>
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<td>Possible values:</td>
<td>Idle (0x0001) No connection established and no efforts to connect</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Connecting (0x0002) For request of the native or legacy mode indicated in the Communication Mode property</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Connected (0x0003) Connection established in one of the communication modes</td>
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<td>Default:</td>
<td>Idle (0x0001)</td>
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<td>Defined in:</td>
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### 7.1.4 Action at Loss of Connection

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<th>Action at Loss of Connection</th>
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<td>Property ID:</td>
<td>losconnection (0x0006)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Description:</td>
<td>This property tells how the ITU-T V.18 modem handles loss of text connection. When &quot;Keep&quot; is selected, the conversation is optimized for the alternating text-voice mode. When &quot;Return&quot; is selected, the communication is optimized for call forwarding between different types of text telephones. For that case, ctyp must be invoked for reconnection.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Type:</td>
<td>Enumeration</td>
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<tr>
<td>Possible values:</td>
<td>Keep (0x0001) Keep selected communication mode</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Return (0x0002) Return to automoding</td>
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<td>Default:</td>
<td>Provisioned</td>
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<td>Defined in:</td>
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<td>Read/Write</td>
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### 7.1.5 V18 Options

| Property name: | V18 Options |
Property ID: v18opt (0x0007)
Description: This property indicates what optional capabilities the ITU-T V.18 modem implementation has and is allowed to use.
Type: Sub-list of Enumeration
Possible values: V.61 capability (0x0001) Indicates the ability to use V.61 modulation
Default: None
Defined in: Termination state
Characteristics: Read/Write

7.1.6 Character Set
Property name: Character Set
Property ID: characterset (0x0008)
Description: The legacy modes have limited character sets. For all legacy modes, appropriate character conversion, filtering and control interception is included in the package functionality, so that the communication with other ITU-T T.140 text terminations in the context is equalized to an ITU-T T.140 text stream. For a user-friendly conversion of received national characters in the limited character sets to ISO/IEC 10646-1 used in ITU-T T.140, there is a need to specify what national translation table to use. This is valid for EDT, DTMF, ITU-T V.21 and Baudot modes. The character set parameter is the registered ISO code for the national variant of the ITU-T T.50 character set used. Default is:
- German for EDT;
- Danish for DTMF (suitable also for the Netherlands);
- Swedish/Finnish for ITU-T V.21 (suitable also for the United Kingdom);
- International Reference Version for Baudot.
Example: In Norway, the letter "Æ" (A and E together) is used in the same location of the 7-bit character table as used for letter "Å" (A with umlaut) in Finland and Sweden. The international reference version has the character "[" (left bracket) in the same position. In ITU-T T.140, these characters have unique positions.
Type: String
Possible values: ISO registered name for a character set
Default: Provisioned
Defined in: Termination State
Characteristics: Read/Write

7.2 Events
7.2.1 Connection Mode Changed
Event name: Connection Mode Changed
Event ID: connchng (0x0001)
Description: This event reports the change of communication mode, as a result of a connection effort, or a disconnection.

7.2.1.1 EventDescriptor parameters
None.

7.2.1.2 ObservedEventDescriptor parameters
Same as the property txp/commode.

7.3 Signals
None.

7.4 Statistics

7.4.1 Number of Characters Transferred
Statistic name: Number of Characters Transferred
Statistics ID: chartrans (0x0001)
Description: Number of bytes of ITU-T T.140 data transferred (sent and received)
Type: Integer
Possible values: 0 or more characters
Level: Termination

7.4.2 Number of Alternating Turns
Statistic name: Number of Alternating Turns
Statistics ID: altturns (0x0002)
Description: Number of alternating turns when using alternating conversation mode
Type: Integer
Possible values: 0 or more turns
Level: Termination

7.5 Procedures

7.5.1 Basic operation
After line connection, the termination where the Text Telephone package is implemented should be requested to try a text telephone connection using the functionality of the Call Type Discrimination package for the modem signalling according to [ITU-T V.18] in a selected mode. Once the connection is established, the Text Telephone package is used for the text communication in the established mode.

After connection in text mode, the result is a gateway context with one textphone termination and one voice line termination connected to the same line. In the same context, the normal case is to have other terminations with audio and text conversation media.

In the simplest text-only case, the audio streams are not used and may be released.
Text received through the ITU-T V.18 modem is converted if necessary to ITU-T T.140. It is embedded in the RTP/T.140 format according to the rules in [ITU-T T.140] and [IETF RFC 4103], specifying RTP/T.140. Text received from other text conversation terminations is transmitted through the text telephone termination after extraction from the RTP packets. This process continues until any end disconnects.

### 7.5.2 Informative description

Two descriptor values are of specific interest for the Text Telephone package. These are: the text conversation media stream, and the ITU-T V.18 modem. The text conversation media stream is described in the Text Conversation package. The ITU-T V.18 modem descriptor is described in clause 7.5.3 for information.

### 7.5.3 ITU-T V.18 modem

The ITU-T V.18 modem type is intended for communication with text telephones in the PSTN. Its operational modes are implemented in the textphone package. The logic for setting and detecting the mode according to [ITU-T V.18] is handled by the ctyp package. Some properties of the Text Telephone package and the Call Type Discrimination package directly reflect parameters for control of the ITU-T V.18 modem. ITU-T V.18 modem implementations may have different capabilities reflected in the property values.

An ITU-T V.18 modem may be operated in automode monitor mode, when it listens on a voice line for text telephone signals. This mode can be used to detect that the user wishes to transit from voice to text during a voice call. That is done entirely with the ctyp package.

Alternatively, an ITU-T V.18 modem may be operated in modes where it actively tries to establish a text telephone connection. The procedure includes transmission of text telephone-specific signals on the line. For calling modems, it is done by the CI signal in the ctyp package. For an answering modem, it is done with the ctyp package combined with probing from the textphone package by setting the commode property to the probing mode.

When the mode is discriminated, the commode property should be set to request communication in that mode.

After successful connection in a text telephone mode, the text session is conducted in the specific mode as controlled with the commode property, and the text stream is made available in ITU-T T.140 format for other text terminations in the context.

The Text Telephone package only contains the text connection and text media aspects of the termination. It is supposed to be combined with appropriate call control packages, line interface packages and voice channel packages.

### 7.5.4 Operation with alternating text and voice mode

If the involved gateways have the alternating text and voice capability, the following procedure can be applied to give the users a possibility to go back and forth between using text and voice. Between the terminals in the context, two streams are members of the context during the call, the text stream and the audio stream. The procedure is slightly dependent on the terminal type as described in the following clause.

### 7.5.5 Alternating text and voice mode with legacy, carrierless textphones

For the carrierless types Baudot, DTMF and EDT the following way to operate should be used: When ITU-T V.18 detects text, the textphone termination stops feeding the audio stream into the audio stream of the context, and instead inserts the detected and ITU-T T.140 converted characters into the text stream. This mode is continued as long as characters keep coming from the PSTN textphone.
When no more characters arrive, and no textphone signal is received within one second, the audio channel is again fed to the Audio-stream channel. If new text comes from the ITU-T V.18 side, the process is repeated.

It is important that the implementation of ITU-T V.18 can retrieve characters from the first detected text telephone signals after each mode shift. The leading tones before the characters can be as short as 150 ms.

If text is received from the context through the Text stream when ITU-T V.18 is not actively receiving text, the voice path is muted, and the characters are sent to the ITU-T V.18 modem for transmission. When all text is transmitted and no more is received for two seconds, the audio channels are enabled again.

Since the carrierless systems are one-way alternate transmission systems, transmission of characters is possible only in one direction at a time. Once started, reception is given priority.

In the Context, two-way simultaneous transmission is possible. Therefore, characters received from the context while ITU-T V.18 is busy receiving should be buffered (up to a reasonable limit).

After the initial connections, all these actions are automatic and are handled within the textphone termination.

### 7.5.6 Alternating voice and text conversation in carrier mode

After a carrier mode text connection is established, loss of carrier can be taken as the indication that the audio stream shall be connected with audio interface of the line. When the remote end is an ITU-T V.21, Bell or ITU-T V.18 device, the text communication can be full duplex, so the gateway can just let the text streams flow between the terminations.

When carrier reappears, or text is received through the text system, the audio stream shall be muted, and text transmission noted.

Minitel does not support any voice interworking mode.

### 7.5.7 Simultaneous voice and text mode

In case the simultaneous voice and text method is enabled, the handling of the voice and text channels is trivial. Once connected, the text stream can stay connected with the remote text stream all the time to serve a two-way simultaneous text conversation, and the audio channel can be connected with the remote audio stream to support a two-way simultaneous audio channel. This mode can be supported by ITU-T V.18 with ITU-T V.61 modulation.

### 8 Call Type Discrimination package

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<tr>
<td>Package ID:</td>
<td>ctyp (0x0011)</td>
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<td>Description:</td>
<td>This package monitors the termination for signals indicating presence of an ITU-T T.30 telefax terminal, an ITU-T V.18 or legacy mode text telephone or data modem. In cooperation with the MGC and the remote MG or endpoint, it can perform exchange of signals until the call type is determined and an appropriate mode for the call can be established. The package contains modem negotiation functions of Recommendations [ITU-T V.25], [ITU-T V.8], [ITU-T V.8 bis], [ITU-T V.18] and [ITU-T T.30].</td>
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Extends: None

8.1 Properties

8.1.1 Call Types

Property name: Call Types
Property ID: calltyp (0x0001)
Description: The Call Types property selects the types of calls for which the termination is monitored. Note that the connection is, by default, regarded to be capable of handling audio and therefore no specific value is included for that.
Type: Sub-list of Enumeration
Possible values: FAX (0x0001)
TEXT (0x0002)
DATA (0x0003)
Default: None
Defined in: Termination State
Characteristics: Read/Write

8.1.2 Text Call Types

Property name: Text Call Types
Property ID: ttyp (0x0002)
Description: This parameter indicates for what text telephone modes the termination is monitored, used in TEXT mode.
Type: Sub-list of Enumeration
Possible values: V21 (0x0001)
DTMF (0x0002)
Baudot45 (0x0003)
Baudot50 (0x0004)
Bell (0x0005)
EDT (0x0006)
Minitel (0x0007)
V18 (0x0008)
CTM (0x0009)
Default: None
Defined in: Termination State
Characteristics: Read/Write

8.1.3 V8bis Support

Property name: V8bis Support
Property ID: v8bsup (0x0003)
Description: Support of the ITU-T V.8 bis modem negotiating procedure is
optional. The V8bis support property indicates if ITU-T V.8 bis is supported. It can be used in TEXT, FAX and DATA modes.

**Type:** Boolean

**Possible values:**
- True  ITU-T V.8 bis is supported by the package
- False  ITU-T V.8 bis is not supported by the package

**Default:** Provisioned

**Defined in:** Termination State

**Characteristics:** Read

### 8.1.4 Probe Message

**Property name:** Probe Message

**Property ID:** probemsg (0x0004)

**Description:**
This property holds a short string that the termination transmits as a stimulating probe message for the carrierless communication modes in the answering modes. The far end user will see this message when it is transmitted in the mode matching the counterpart's textphone, and type a response back, enabling the ITU-T V.18 modem to detect the type of carrierless text telephone in the connection.

When issued, it is automatically followed by "GA" in Baudot probing, and with "+" in EDT and DTMF probing to reflect the turntaking signal habit in the different user communities. The string could be customized to briefly inform the called user about what service that is reached.

Note that the string is not issued in the carrier modes.

**Type:** String

**Possible values:** Any string, not more than 20 characters long

**Default:** Empty String ("")

**Defined in:** Termination State

**Characteristics:** Read/Write

### 8.1.5 Probe Order

**Property name:** Probe Order

**Property ID:** probeorder (0x0005)

**Description:**
This property holds an indication on what modes to probe for, and the order the probes will be transmitted. Probing is a time-consuming procedure and it is important that the most likely modes are probed first. The order to select depends on whether or not any legacy mode textphones are on the market in the area where the gateway is installed. An optimized order can be composed by enumerating the desired specific type indicators. Note that leaving out a type from probing may cause connection problems for connection with textphones of that type.

**Type:** Sub-List of Enumeration
Possible values: (For recommended orders, see [ITU-T V.18].)
Any combination of one to six of the type indicators:
- V21 (0x0001)
- DTMF (0x0002)
- Baudot (0x0003)
- EDT (0x0004)
- MINITEL (0x0005)
- BELL (0x0006)
in any desired order

Default: Provisioned
Defined in: Termination state
Characteristics: Read/Write

8.1.6 Phase Reversal Detect

Property name: Phase Reversal Detect
Property ID: phrevdet (0x0006)
Description: This property indicates support of detection of the phase reversals within ANS or ANSam signals. If this property has the value "False", ANS with phase reversals (ANSBAR) will be reported as ANS and ANSam with phase reversals (ANSAMBAR) will be reported as ANSam in the dtone event.

Type: Boolean
Possible values: True Phase reversal detection is supported by the termination.
False Phase reversal detection is not supported by the termination.

Default: Provisioned
Defined in: Termination State
Characteristics: Read

8.1.7 MG Responsible for Call Discrimination Signalling

Property name: MG Responsible for Call Discrimination Signalling
Property ID: MGCallSig (0x0007)
Description: This property indicates whether the MGC or MG is responsible for initiating the Call Discrimination Signalling.

Type: Boolean
Possible values: True Indicates that the MG is responsible for Call Discrimination Signalling, i.e., ANS, ANSam. The signals defined in clause 7.3 are not sent from the MGC to order messages, the MG autonomously determines when to send the appropriate messages.
False Indicates that the MGC is responsible for initiating Messages for Call Discrimination. The signals defined in clause 7.3 apply.
8.2 Events

8.2.1 Discriminating Tone Detected

Event name: Discriminating Tone Detected
Event ID: dtone (0x0001)
Description: This event indicates that a signal valid for detection and discrimination of mode was detected. The signal name is given as a parameter. Further logic is needed in some cases to discriminate the call type from this information. The ITU-T V.8 bis related parameters are returned only when ITU-T V.8 bis is supported. Note that some textphones operate with DTMF tones. This package decodes initial DTMF signals according to the specification for text telephones in ITU-T V.18. DTMF detection may be indicated also from the "dd" package if that is active.

8.2.1.1 EventDescriptor parameters
None.

8.2.1.2 ObservedEventDescriptor parameters

8.2.1.2.1 Discriminating Tone Type

Parameter name: Discriminating Tone Type
Parameter ID: dtt (0x0001)
Description: Indicates the call type associated with the discriminating tone.
Type: Enumeration
Optional: No
Possible values:

For FAX
- CNG (0x0001) A T.30 fax calling tone
- V21flag (0x0002) V21 tone and flags for fax answering

For TEXT
- XCI (0x0003) An ITU-T V.18 XCI
- V18txp1 (0x0004) An ITU-T V.18 txp signal in channel V.21(1)
- V18txp2 (0x0005) An ITU-T V.18 txp signal in channel V.21(2)
- BellHi (0x0006) A Bell 103 carrier on the high channel
- BellLo (0x0007) A Bell 103 low channel
- Baudot45 (0x0008) A Baudot45 initial carrier and characters
- Baudot50 (0x0009) A Baudot50 initial carrier and characters
Edt (0x000A) An EDT initial tone and characters
DTMF (0x000B) DTMF signals
CTM (0x001C) CTM signals

For DATA
Sig (0x000C) Modulation signal from a mode only used for data, i.e., not ITU-T V.21, ITU-T V.23 nor Bell 103

Common to TEXT and DATA
CT (0x000D) An ITU-T V.25 calling tone
V21hi (0x000E) An ITU-T V.21 carrier on the higher frequency channel
V21lo (0x000F) An ITU-T V.21 carrier on the low frequency channel
V23hi (0x0010) An ITU-T V.23 high carrier
V23lo (0x0011) An ITU-T V.23 low carrier
CI (0x0012) An ITU-T V.8 CI with contents in "dtvalue"

Common to FAX, TEXT and DATA
ANS (0x0013) ITU-T V.25 ANS, equivalent to T.30 CED from answering terminal
ANSbar (0x0014) ITU-T V.25 ANS with phase reversals
ANSAM (0x0015) ITU-T V.8 ANSam
ANSAMbar (0x0016) ITU-T V.8 ANSam with phase reversals
CM (0x0017) ITU-T V.8 CM with contents in "dtvalue"
CJ (0x0018) ITU-T V.8 CJ
JM (0x0019) ITU-T V.8 JM with contents in "dtvalue"
ENDOFSIG (0x001A) End of reported signal detected reported for continuous or repeated signals
V8BIS (0x001B) ITU-T V.8 bis signal, with signal type in parameter V8bis and value in "dtvalue"

Default: None

8.2.1.2.2 Discriminating Tone Value

Parameter name: Discriminating Tone Value
Parameter ID: dtvalue (0x0002)
Description: Indicates the data (if any) associated with the discriminating call tone.
Type: String
Optional: Yes
Possible values: When used for ITU-T V.8 and ITU-T V.8 bis related messages, the following coding rules apply:
If an ITU-T V.8 bis message is detected without a preceding ITU-T V.8 bis signal, the preamble is reported as a 0 <signal> value.

The contents of valid ITU-T V.8 bis message(s), if detected, are reported using hexadecimal octet coded string(s) (see clause 3.1). Flag detection and consumption, flag transparency 0-bit deletion and FCS checking are performed by the MG. The MG shall not report invalid messages (e.g., bad FCS). If two consecutive messages are detected but the first is invalid, the MG shall indicate this with a comma in front of the second message (e.g., <2nd message>). Two concatenated V.8 bis messages are reported with two consecutive <message> indications.

Default: None

8.2.1.2.3 V.8bis Type

Parameter name: V8bis Type
Parameter ID: v8bist (0x0004)
Description: A detected ITU-T V.8 bis signal. ITU-T V.8 bis can be used for all modes.
Type: Enumeration
Optional: Yes
Possible values:

- ESi (0x0001) ITU-T V.8 bis signal ESi
- ESr (0x0002) ITU-T V.8 bis signal ESr
- MRe (0x0003) ITU-T V.8 bis signal MRe
- MRdi (0x0004) ITU-T V.8 bis signal MRd from initiator
- MRdr (0x0005) ITU-T V.8 bis signal MRd from responder
- CRE (0x0006) ITU-T V.8 bis signal CRE
- CRdi (0x0007) ITU-T V.8 bis signal CRd from initiator
- CRdr (0x0008) ITU-T V.8 bis signal CRd from responder
- MS (0x0009) ITU-T V.8 bis message MS with contents in "dtvalue"
- CL (0x000A) ITU-T V.8 bis message CL with contents in "dtvalue"
- CLR (0x000B) ITU-T V.8 bis message CLR with contents in "dtvalue"
- ACK (0x000C) ITU-T V.8 bis message ACK with contents in "dtvalue"
- NAK (0x000D) ITU-T V.8 bis message NAK with contents in "dtvalue"

Default: None

8.2.2 Call Type Discrimination Result

Event name: Call Type Discrimination Result
Event ID: calldisres (0x0002)
Description: This event indicates that the MG has completed the Call Type discrimination process and has determined that a particular call type is supported.

8.2.2.1 EventsDescriptor parameters
None.

8.2.2.2 ObservedEventDescriptor parameters

8.2.2.2.1 Discriminated Call Type

Parameter name: Discriminated Call Type
Parameter ID: dct (0x0001)
Type: Enumeration
Optional: No
Possible values:

Audio (0x0000) Default Audio negotiated

For FAX
T30 (0x0001) An ITU-T T.30 PSTN FAX call without ECM
T30ECM (0x0002) An ITU-T T.30 PSTN FAX call with ECM (non-V.34)
T30V34 (0x0003) An ITU-T T.30 PSTN FAX call with ITU-T V.34 (half-duplex)
T38UDPTL (0x0004) An ITU-T T.38 FAX call using UDPTL
T38TCP (0x0005) An ITU-T T.38 FAX call using TCP
T37 (0x0006) An ITU-T T.37 FAX call
FAXAUDIO (0x0007) For audio codec (e.g., ITU-T G.711 over RTP)
This value is only used when the MG can determine that FAX is being used over the audio codec.

For TEXT
V18txp1 (0x0008) An ITU-T V.18 TEXT call carried in channel V.21(1)
V18txp2 (0x0009) An ITU-T V.18 TEXT call carried in channel V.21(2)
Baudot45 (0x000C) A Baudot45 TEXT call
Baudot50 (0x000D) A Baudot50 TEXT call
Edt (0x000E) An EDT TEXT call
DTMF (0x000F) DTMF TEXT call
CTM (0x0014) A CTM TEXT call
TEXTAUDIO (0x0021) For audio codec (e.g., G.711 over RTP)
Minitel (0x0024) A Minitel TEXT call

This value is only used when the MG can determine that TEXT is being used over the audio codec.

For Modem

BellHi (0x000A) A Bell 103 MODEM call on the high channel

BellLo (0x000B) A Bell 103 MODEM call on the low channel

V8 (0x0015) An ITU-T V.8 MODEM call

V8bis (0x0016) An ITU-T V.8 bis MODEM call

NOTE – V8/V8 bis is used to negotiate the modem type. Implementers are encouraged to use the actual modem types: ITU-T V.34, ITU-T V.61, ITU-T V.90, ITU-T V.91 and ITU-T V.92 where possible.

V21hi (0x0010) An ITU-T V.21 Modem call on the higher channel

V21lo (0x0011) An ITU-T V.21 Modem call on the low channel

V23hi (0x0012) An ITU-T V.23 Modem call on the high carrier

V23lo (0x0013) An ITU-T V.23 Modem call on the low carrier

MODEMAUDIO (0x0022) For audio codec (e.g., ITU-T G.711 over RTP)

This value is only used when the MG can determine that MODEM is being used over the audio codec.

V150MODEM (0x0023) For ITU-T V.150 modem relay

Default:

Audio (0x0000)

8.3 Signals

8.3.1 V8 Signal

Signal name: V8 Signal

Signal ID: v8sig (0x0001)

Description: Indicates to the MG the type of V8 Signal to send.
Signal type: TO
Duration: Default provisioned in MG. The MGC may override this default by providing a duration.

8.3.1.1 Additional parameters

8.3.1.1.1 V.8 Signal Type
Parameter name: V.8 Signal Type
Parameter ID: v8styp (0x0001)
Description: The type of ITU-T V.8 signal to send.
Type: Enumeration
Optional: Yes
Possible values: CM (0x0001)  CJ (0x0002)  JM (0x0003)  CI (0x0004)  v8nosig (0x0005) Not used (reserved)
NOTE – The normal ITU-T H.248 signal replacement procedures are used to turn off a signal and shall be used.
Default: Provisioned

8.3.1.1.2 V.8 Signal Contents
Parameter name: V8Sig Cont
Parameter ID: v8scont (0x0002)
Description: The ITU-T V.8 signals carry data for call type and modulation modes. These parameters can be supplied through the v8cont parameter. [ITU-T V.8] can be used for FAX, TEXT and DATA modes.
Type: String
Optional: Yes
Possible values: Allowed contents of the signals, coded as hexadecimal octet coded string
Default: Empty String ("")

8.3.1.1.3 V.18 XCI Enable
Parameter name: V18 XCI Enable
Parameter ID: v18xcien (0x0003)
Description: XCI can be sent intermixed with CI transmission as specified in [ITU-T V.18] to stimulate plain Minitel terminals to respond as text telephones. Used in TEXT mode.
Type: Boolean
Optional: Yes
Possible values:  
True  XCI transmission enabled during ITU-T V.18 CI transmission  
False  XCI transmission disabled

Default:  
True

8.3.2  Answer Signal

Signal name:  Answer Signal
Signal ID:  ans (0x0002)
Description:  The MGC uses this signal to order the MG to provide an answer signal.
Signal type:  TO
Duration:  Default provisioned in MG. The MGC may override this default by providing a duration.

8.3.2.1  Additional parameters

8.3.2.1.1  Answer Type

Parameter name:  ANS Type
Parameter ID:  AnsType (0x0001)
Description:  The type of answer signal to be sent.
Type:  Enumeration
Optional:  Yes
Possible values:  
ANS  (0x0001)  ITU-T V.25 ANS (equivalent to ITU-T T.30 CED) for all modes  
ANSBAR  (0x0002)  ITU-T V.25 ANS with phase reversals for all modes  
ANSAM  (0x0003)  ITU-T V.8 ANSam for all modes  
ANSAMBAR  (0x0004)  ITU-T V.8 ANSam with phase reversals for all modes  
V18txp1  (0x0005)  An ITU-T V.18 txp signal played in ITU-T V.21 channel (1) for TEXT  
V18txp2  (0x0006)  An ITU-T V.18 txp signal played in ITU-T V.21 channel (2) for TEXT  
ansnosig  (0x0007)  Not used (Reserved)

NOTE – The normal ITU-T H.248 signal replacement procedures are used to turn off a signal and shall be used.

Default:  Provisioned

8.3.3  Calling Signal

Signal name:  Calling Signal
Signal ID:  callsig (0x0003)
Description:  The MGC uses this signal to order the MG to provide a calling signal.
Signal Type: TO
Duration: Default provisioned in MG. The MGC may override this default by providing a duration.

8.3.3.1 Additional parameters

8.3.3.1.1 Call Signal Name
Parameter name: Call Signal Name
Parameter ID: csn (0x0001)
Description: Indicates the type of calling tone to be sent.
Type: Enumeration
Optional: Yes
Possible values:
- CT (0x0001) ITU-T V.25 calling tone used for TEXT and DATA
- CNG (0x0002) ITU-T T.30 calling tone used for FAX with defined cadence
- callnosig (0x0003) Not Used (Reserved)

NOTE – The normal ITU-T H.248 signal replacement procedures are used to turn off a signal and shall be used.

Default: Provisioned

8.3.4 V8bisSignal
Signal name: V8bis Signal
Signal ID: v8bs (0x0004)
Description: The MGC uses this signal to order the MG to provide an ITU-T V.8 bis signal.
Signal type: BR
Duration: Default provisioned in MG. The MGC may override this default by providing a duration.

8.3.4.1 Additional parameters

8.3.4.1.1 V.8bis signal name
Parameter name: V8bisSigname
Parameter ID: V8bsn (0x0001)
Description: ITU-T V.8 bis signals can be used in all modes. Some ITU-T V.8 bis signals contain data messages, supplied in V8bisSigContents.
Type: Enumeration
Optional: Yes
Possible values:
- ESi (0x0001) ITU-T V.8 bis signal ESi
- ESr (0x0002) ITU-T V.8 bis signal ESr
- MRe (0x0003) ITU-T V.8 bis signal MRe
- MRdi (0x0004) ITU-T V.8 bis signal MRd from initiator
MRdrh (0x0005) ITU-T V.8 bis signal MRd from responder on high power
CRel (0x0006) ITU-T V.8 bis signal CRe on low power
CRdi (0x0007) ITU-T V.8 bis signal CRd from initiator
CRdr (0x0008) ITU-T V.8 bis signal CRd from responder
MS (0x0009) ITU-T V.8 bis message MS with contents in signalvalue
CL (0x000A) ITU-T V.8 bis message CL with contents in signalvalue
CLR (0x000B) ITU-T V.8 bis message CLR with contents in signalvalue
ACK (0x000C) ITU-T V.8 bis message ACK with contents in signalvalue
NAK (0x000D) ITU-T V.8 bis message NAK with contents in signalvalue
MRdrl (0x000E) ITU-T V.8 bis signal MRd from responder on low power
CReh (0x000F) ITU-T V.8 bis signal CRe on high power

Default: Provisioned

8.3.4.1.2 V.8bis Signal Contents

Parameter name: V8bis Signal Contents
Parameter ID: V8bscont (0x0002)
Description: Some of the ITU-T V.8 bis signals are messages. Their contents can be defined with the V8bscont parameter.

ITU-T V.8 bis can be used in TEXT, FAX and DATA modes.
The transmitted ITU-T V.8 bis message frame(s) is specified as hexadecimal octet coded string (see clause 3.1). Additional messages are delimited by comma characters. Flag generation, flag transparency 0-bit insertion and FCS generation are performed by the MG. If no data is provided by the MGC, no ITU-T V.21 carrier is generated beyond that used in segment 2. For two concatenated messages, the MG shall insert the required preamble between the first and second messages.

Type: String
Optional: Yes
Possible values: Valid contents for the ITU-T V.8 bis signals
Default: Empty string ("")

8.3.5 V18 Probe

Signal name: V18 Probe
Signal ID: v18prob (0x0005)
Description: This signal transmits the v18 probes in order to stimulate possible text telephones to transmit connect establishing signals. The probes are sent according to the specification in [ITU-T V.18]. For carrierless probes, the string in the "probemsg" property is transmitted. The probes are sent in the order specified in the property "probeorder".

Signal type: BR
Duration: Default provisioned in MG. The MGC may override this default by providing a duration.

8.3.5.1 Additional parameters
None.

8.4 Statistics
None.

8.5 Procedures
The Call Type Discrimination package is invoked for cases when the network connection is established and the call may enter one of the types of voice, fax, text telephone and modem. The package contains functionality to support the decision and connection processes. Once discriminated and the modem handshaking completed, an appropriate specific call type package should be invoked to complete the connection establishment on the modulation level and perform the session.

When used for active modem negotiation, by means of commands from the MGC, the termination shall be made to operate according to the Recommendations for modem negotiation: [ITU-T V.25], [ITU-T V.8], [ITU-T V.8 bis], [ITU-T V.18] and [ITU-T T.30]. For probing according to [ITU-T V.18] during the negotiating process, the probing mechanism may be applied as defined in this package by turning the signal V18prob ON.

The package may also be used for monitoring and reporting on data activity on the termination.

8.5.1 Informative description
If the desired call type is known from the beginning, the Call Type Discrimination package should be invoked in order to actively try to establish a connection by sending out stimulating signals. By contrast, this package is also used to monitor the line to detect signals which are to be relayed to the Media Gateway Controller as input to a discrimination decision. Either the MGC or the MG may be assigned to perform the bearer level call discrimination signalling. In principle, when tones are reported to the MGC as events by an MG, the MG should avoid passing these tones via the media stream where possible, to reduce the possibility of unwanted duplicate tones (the MGC may subsequently order the MG to send these tones). Since the Call Type Discrimination package can be invoked to initially only monitor the line, it can be invoked on lines where voice calls are the most common mode of operation. There may be situations where this passive way of working results in less efficient or less reliable connection in fax/text/data mode.

8.5.2 Operation
The package is activated on a termination of a line in an outgoing or incoming call where fax, text or data mode may be wanted. The properties are set to the enabled call types.
8.5.3 Operation for incoming calls

The call is answered, the destination is evaluated, and the remote call initiated using packages and gateway functions outside the scope of this package.

The MGC may order stimulating signals defined in this package to be sent on the line.

The line is monitored for signals for the selected modes as defined in the "dtone" event descriptor.

The MGC is expected to evaluate call type indications of all types; registered type of the destination, offered capabilities of the endpoint, invoked connection efforts of specific types from the endpoint. It can then use these call level indications to request the MG to further evaluate the call types. The MGC can then use the bearer level discriminating events from the MG to determine which call type should be used.

As soon as the modem handshaking is complete, and a condition is reached that is valid for only one call type, a package for handling that call type should be invoked by the MGC, thus placing the MG into the desired mode of operation.

The package contains components for conducting a negotiation procedure according to the different connection procedures defined in [ITU-T V.25], [ITU-T V.8], [ITU-T V.8 bis], [ITU-T T.30], [ITU-T T.38] and [ITU-T V.18]. (ITU-T V.8 bis support is optional and its availability can be interrogated through the property V8bissupport.)

8.5.4 Operation for transit calls, coming from and going to the switched network

If no fax/text/data indication is present in the incoming call, the outgoing call is placed in voice mode, with the Call Type Discrimination package active.

If the MGC is responsible for call discrimination signalling and if a valid tone is detected, it is reported to the MGC as an event. By actions of the MGC, it can then request the MG to signal to play the tone at the other end. The process continues according to the rules of the connection procedures until the call type can be determined and the mode of operation can be established.

If the MG is responsible for call discrimination signalling then it shall perform the call type discrimination signalling itself and report the discriminated call type to the MGC via a notified event.

8.5.5 Operation for calls having one endpoint in the packet network

If no fax/text/data indication is present in the incoming call, the outgoing call in the packet network is placed in voice mode.

If a request to open a text channel, a fax channel or a data channel is made from the packet endpoint, the corresponding call type is tried on the switched network connection.

If a signal indicating presence of a fax, textphone or a modem is received from the circuit switched network, and the call type can be evaluated, a corresponding channel is requested to the remote packet endpoint. If that request is acknowledged, the connection in the fax/text/data mode is completed on the switched side.

If the call type cannot be evaluated, further signal exchange is performed on the switched interface until the call type is determined, and then the channel establishment continues on the packet side.

8.5.6 Cases when the call type cannot be determined from the signals

For cases when the call type cannot be determined by the signal exchange, a decision must be taken by other means, or a transparent transport can be selected.

The other means to make the decision may be a number analysis and comparison to registered user preferences or network defaults.

Cases when the decision is not possible by signal analysis but need to be taken by external means:
ITU-T V.21: Used both for text telephony and for credit card transactions. The decision is recommended to be based on regional preferences and registering preference for data per destination number in regions where the default preference is for text telephony.

ITU-T V.23: Used both for Minitel-based text telephones and for the Minitel information retrieval system. The conflict is only when an answering endpoint transmits the v23hi signal. A transparent data transport is recommended for this case.

8.5.7 Scenarios and call flows

Signal sequence scenarios can be derived from the different connection protocols, with ITU-T T.38 being the main protocol for fax, ITU-T V.18 for text telephony and V.8/V.25 for data.

The typical fax scenario is discriminated when CNG is detected from the calling end and a corresponding CED (ANS) and/or V.21flags are detected at the answering end. For instances when either a CNG or ANS is not reported to the MGC, V.21flags detection is sufficient for fax discrimination. Alternatively, an ITU-T V.8 CM or JM signal with a fax call type may be detected at either end.

The text telephone scenario is discriminated when a text telephone call type is detected in ITU-T V.8, a text telephone function is negotiated in ITU-T V.8 bis, or a signal valid for text-only is detected.

The data scenario is discriminated when a data call type is detected in V.8, a data function is negotiated in V.8 bis, or a data mode (not text) is entered by any part.

In all cases, the handshaking protocol should be completed using the Call Type Discrimination package, before entering the selected data mode.

Appendix I shows an example call establishment and discrimination flow for the MGC controlled case and the MG controlled case.

8.5.8 Initial characters

For carrierless text telephones of the Baudot, EDT and DTMF types, the text transmission itself is needed for mode determination, and therefore the characters received during determination shall be stored. They shall be made available by local actions in the MG to be used by the txp package as initially received text for a seamless takeover of a connection.

8.5.9 Time-critical handling

The default way of handling connection requests should be to propagate the connection request to the remote endpoint, and verify capabilities before positively responding to an incoming connection request for fax, text or data mode. It can, however, be very time-consuming to verify the endpoint capabilities and connect appropriate channels. The caller may time out between detection of off-hook and receiving a positive signal. Similar time-critical steps exist in the ITU-T V.8, ITU-T V.8 bis, ITU-T V.18, ITU-T T.30 and ITU-T V.25 procedures. The MGC must take action to compromise between the risk of one party timing out because of long waiting for a signal, and the risk of connecting a fax/text/data call before the capabilities of the endpoints are verified and the appropriate channels connected. One possible way to handle this risk is to define default actions to take before any party in the call times out. The ctyp package gives the MGC all necessary control to handle the connection process including such actions.

For time-critical applications, the MGC may indicate to the MG through the ctyp/MGCAllSig property that the MG shall be responsible for the Call Discrimination signalling. The result of the discrimination process is communicated to the MGC through the ctyp/callisires event. This method saves multiple MGC/MG signalling round-trip times during the MGC control of the modem tones.
Fax package

Package name: Fax
Package ID: fax (0x0012)
Description: The fax package is intended for enabling fax communication between terminals/applications in different networks or messaging environments. This package includes the mechanisms needed to identify ITU-T T.30 fax sessions (signals and data).
Version: 1
Extends: None

9.1 Properties

9.1.1 Fax Connection State

Property name: Fax Connection State
Property ID: faxstate (0x0001)
Description: After successful Phase A connection with the ctyp package, the connection state property is used to request a fax connection. When placing a termination into a fax mode, the initial state shall be set to "Negotiating".

When this property is interrogated, it shall reflect the state of the achieved fax connection. A connection effort can be cancelled by setting the faxstate property to Idle.

Type: Enumeration
Possible values:
- Idle (0x0001) No connection efforts
- Prepare (0x0002) Known in the termination and ready to accept connections
- Negotiating (0x0003) Taking the initiative to establish a fax connection
- TrainR (0x0004) Fax Phase B or later training as Receiver
- TrainT (0x0005) Fax Phase B or later training as Transmitting
- Connected (0x0006) Completed connection
- EOP (0x0007) Procedures Complete
- ProcInterrupt (0x0008) Procedure Interrupt Processing
- Disconnect (0x0009) Premature Disconnect

Default: Idle (0x0001)
Characteristics: Read/Write
Defined in: Termination State

9.1.2 Transmission Speed

Property name: Transmission Speed
Property ID: trspd (0x0002)
**Description:** The Transport parameter reflects the transmission speed seen at the analogue interface for the fax relay or the transmission speed used by the FAX termination (ITU-T T.30 PSTN).

**Type:** Integer

**Possible values:** 1200-33600

**Default:** Provisioned

**Defined in:** Termination State

**Characteristics:** Read/Write

### 9.1.3 PSTN Interface

**Property name:** PSTN Interface

**Property ID:** pstnif (0x0003)

**Description:** The PSTN Interface parameter reflects the interface used to connect to a physical FAX machine.

**Type:** Enumeration

**Possible values:**
- NA (0x0001) Not applicable
- V17 (0x0002)
- V27TER (0x0003)
- V29 (0x0004)
- V21 (0x0005)
- V34 (0x0006)

**Default:** Provisioned

**Defined in:** Termination State

**Characteristics:** Read/Write

### 9.1.4 Fax Transport

**Property name:** Fax Transport

**Property ID:** ftrpt (0x0004)

**Description:** The Transport parameter reflects the transport mechanism selected for the fax termination.

**Type:** Enumeration

**Possible values:**
- T30 (0x0001) For ITU-T T.30 PSTN sessions without ECM
- T30ECM (0x0002) For ITU-T T.30 PSTN sessions with ECM (non-V.34)
- T30V34 (0x0003) For ITU-T T.30 PSTN sessions with V.34 (half-duplex)

**Default:** Provisioned

**Characteristics:** Read/Write

**Defined in:** Termination State
9.2 Events

9.2.1 Fax Connection State Change

Event name: Fax Connection State Change
Event ID: faxconnchange (0x0001)
Description: This event will occur when the fax connection state for the termination has changed. Its parameter is the new Fax Connection State. A connection effort that timed out returns the termination to the Idle state.

9.2.1.1 EventDescriptor parameters
None.

9.2.1.2 ObservedEventDescriptor parameters

9.2.1.2.1 Fax Connection Change

Parameter name: Fax Connection Change
Parameter ID: faxconnchng (0x0001)
Type: Enumeration
Optional: No
Possible values:

- Idle (0x0001) No connection efforts
- Prepare (0x0002) Known in the termination and ready to accept connections
- Negotiating (0x0003) Taking the initiative to establish a fax connection
- TrainR (0x0004) Fax Phase B or later training as Receiver
- TrainT (0x0005) Fax Phase B or later training as Transmitting
- Connected (0x0006) Completed connection
- EOP (0x0007) Procedures Complete
- ProcInterrupt (0x0008) Procedure Interrupt Processing
- EOF (0x0009) End of fax session, call terminating
- PI (0x000A) Priority Interrupt; Switch to Voice
- Disconnect (0x000B) Premature Disconnect

Default: Idle (0x0001)

9.3 Signals
None.

9.4 Statistics

9.4.1 Number of Pages Transferred

Signal name: Number of Pages Transferred
Statistics ID: pagestrans (0x0001)
**Description:** Number of pages of fax image data transferred through the termination.

**Type:** Integer

**Possible values:** 0 or more pages

**Level:** Termination

### 9.4.2 Train Downs

**Statistic name:** Train Downs

**Statistics ID:** traindowns (0x0002)

**Description:** Number of times FAX trained down during transmission.

**Type:** Integer

**Possible values:** 0 or more train downs

**Level:** Termination

### 9.5 Procedures

The following are standard transport mechanisms for fax in different environments.

- In ITU-T T.30: Use ITU-T T.30 procedures with and without ECM.

#### 9.5.1 Function

A termination with Fax provides a method for transfer of fax pages preceded by negotiations in the call set-up according to procedures defined for each environment. When matching capabilities exist, the appropriate sessions can be established in order to transfer pages of image or binary data.

Real-time fax allows telecom users to transfer fax pages in real-time. The procedural aspects of GSTN fax are defined in [ITU-T T.30]. The compression methods used in transporting fax images are defined in [ITU-T T.4], [ITU-T T.6], [ITU-T T.81], [ITU-T T.82], [ITU-T T.85] and [ITU-T T.44]. In traditional ITU-T T.30 without error correction, images are transferred in a stream one page at a time. In ITU-T T.30 with error correction, images are transferred in blocks that are also known as partial pages. Numerous examples of fax sessions are contained in Appendix IV of [ITU-T T.30].

- For each transport environment, a suitable transport protocol must be selected to carry the image. Currently defined and recommended transport environments for ITU-T T.30 media streams that can be supported by this package are GSTN networks, where the procedures are defined in [ITU-T T.30], [ITU-T T.30] Annex A (for error correction), [ITU-T T.30] Annex C (duplex protocol) and [ITU-T T.30] Annex F (half duplex ITU-T V.34 protocol).

#### 9.5.2 Process of adding Fax-capable terminations

The MGs are responsible for detecting fax tones and relaying the related events to the MGC. The MGC should conduct Call Discrimination as defined within the Call Type Discrimination package in order to determine whether a fax or other mode is applicable. The MGC may choose to skip this if the MG is not capable of the Call Type Discrimination package. Once the MGC evaluates the tones and determines that the incoming call is fax, the MGC shall execute appropriate Modify commands to place the termination into a "Negotiating" state.
9.5.3 Process of ending a fax call

The MGs are responsible for detecting events that would cause the interruption of a fax call. The MGC is responsible for making the determination if this switch can be made and instruct the MGs to switch. It is also responsible for switching it back to fax.

The MGC should receive indication that the fax call ends from the MG before receiving typical call termination indications.

10 IP Fax package

Package name: IPFax
Package ID: ipfax (0x0013)
Description: The Fax package is intended for enabling real-time or store-and-forward fax communication between terminals/applications in different networks or messaging environments. This package includes the mechanisms needed to transport ITU-T T.30 fax sessions (signals and data) in a real-time IP environment. The transport mechanism will be different for each environment where the package is used.

Version: 2
Extends: None

10.1 Properties

10.1.1 Fax Connection State

Property name: Fax Connection State
Property ID: faxstate (0x0001)
Description: After successful Phase A connection with the ctyp package, the connection state property is used to request a fax connection. When placing a termination into a fax mode, the initial state shall be set to "Negotiating". When this property is interrogated, it shall reflect the state of the achieved fax connection.

Type: Enumeration
Possible values:
- Idle (0x0001) No connection efforts
- Prepare (0x0002) Known in the termination and ready to accept connections
- Negotiating (0x0003) Taking the initiative to establish a fax connection
- TrainR (0x0004) Fax Phase B or later training as Receiver
- TrainT (0x0005) Fax Phase B or later training as Transmitter
- Connected (0x0006) For completed connection
- EOP (0x0007) Procedures Complete
- ProcInterrupt (0x0008) Procedure Interrupt Processing
- Disconnect (0x0009) Premature Disconnect
Default: Idle (0x0001)
Characteristics: Read/Write
Defined in: Termination State

10.1.2 Transmission Speed
Property name: Transmission Speed
Property ID: trspd (0x0002)
Description: The Transport property reflects the transmission speed seen at the IP interface for the fax relay. A value of zero (0) indicates that there is no speed set.
Type: Integer
Possible values: 0-33600
Default: 0
Characteristics: Read/Write
Defined in: Termination State

10.1.3 T.38 Capabilities
Property name: T.38 Capabilities
Property ID: T38Capabilities (0x0003)
Description: These capabilities describe the ITU-T T.38 fax termination. They are defined in Annex B of [ITU-T T.38]. Their SDP equivalents are defined in Annex D of [ITU-T T.38].
Type: Sub-list of Enumeration
Possible values:
- FaxFillBitRemoval (0x0001) Indication of fill bit removal
- FaxTranscodingMMR (0x0002) For MMR transcoding availability
- FaxTranscodingJBIG (0x0003) For JBIG transcoding availability
- UDPFEC (0x0004) UDP Forward Error Correction
- UDPRedundancy (0x0005) UDP Redundancy Error Correction
Default: Provisioned
Characteristics: Read/Write
Defined in: Termination State

10.1.4 T.38 Maximum Buffer Size
Property name: T.38 Maximum Buffer Size
Property ID: T38MaxBufferSize (0x0004)
Description: This capability describes the ITU-T T.38 fax termination. They are defined in Annex B of [ITU-T T.38]. Their SDP equivalents are defined in Annex D of [ITU-T T.38].
Type: Integer
Possible values: 0-32765
Default: Provisioned
Characteristics: Read/Write
Defined in: Termination State

10.1.5 T.38 Maximum Datagram Size

Property name: T.38 Maximum Datagram Size
Property ID: T38MaxDatagramSize (0x0005)
Description: This capability describes the T.38 fax termination. They are defined in Annex B of [ITU-T T.38]. Their SDP equivalents are defined in Annex D of [ITU-T T.38].
Type: Integer
Possible values: 0-32765
Default: Provisioned
Characteristics: Read/Write
Defined in: Termination State

10.1.6 T.38 Version

Property name: T.38 Version
Property ID: T38Version (0x0006)
Description: This is the ITU-T T.38 version number.
Type: Integer
Possible values: 0-32765
Default: Provisioned
Characteristics: Read/Write
Defined in: Termination State

10.1.7 IP Fax Transport

Property name: IP Fax Transport
Property ID: ipfrpt (0x0007)
Description: The IP Fax Transport parameter reflects the transport mechanism selected for the fax termination.
Type: Enumeration
Possible values:
- T38UDPTL (0x0001) For ITU-T T.38 using UDPTL
- T38TCP (0x0002) For ITU-T T.38 using TCP
- T37 (0x0003) For ITU-T T.37
- AUDIO (0x0004) For audio codec (e.g., ITU-T G.711 over RTP)
Default: Provisioned
Characteristics: Read/Write
Defined in: Termination State

10.2 Events

10.2.1 Fax Connection State Change

Event name: Fax Connection State Change
Event ID: faxconnchange (0x0001)
Description: This event will occur when the fax connection state for the termination has changed. Its parameter reflects the new state. If a connection effort times out, it is reported in this event, with the faxconnchng parameter set to Idle.

10.2.1.1 EventDescriptor parameters

None.

10.2.1.2 ObservedEventDescriptor parameters

10.2.1.2.1 Fax Connection Change

Parameter name: Fax Connection Change
Parameter ID: faxconnchng (0x0001)
Description: Indicates the state of the fax connection
Type: Enumeration
Optional: No
Possible values:

- Idle (0x0001) No connection efforts
- Prepare (0x0002) Known in the termination and ready to accept connections
- Negotiating (0x0003) Taking the initiative to establish a fax connection
- TrainR (0x0004) Fax Phase B or later training as Receiver
- TrainT (0x0005) Fax Phase B or later training as Transmitter
- Connected (0x0006) For completed connection
- EOP (0x0007) Procedures Complete
- ProcInterrupt (0x0008) Procedure Interrupt Processing
- EOF (0x0009) end of fax session, call terminating
- PI (0x000A) Priority Interrupt; Switch to Voice
- Disconnect (0x000B) Premature Disconnect

Default: Idle (0x0001)

10.3 Signals

None.
10.4 Statistics

10.4.1 Pages Transferred

Statistic name: Pages Transferred
Statistics ID: pagestrans (0x0001)
Description: Number of pages of fax image data transferred through the termination
Type: Integer
Possible values: 0 or more pages
Level: Termination

10.4.2 Train Downs

Statistic name: Train Downs
Statistics ID: traindowns (0x0002)
Description: Number of times FAX trained down during transmission
Type: Integer
Possible values: 0 or more train downs
Level: Termination

10.5 Procedures

The following are standard transport mechanisms for fax in different environments.

− In Annex B of [ITU-T T.38]: UDPTL or TCP in ITU-T T.38 fax-only communication channel environment.
− In Annex D of [ITU-T H.323]: UDPTL or TCP as selected with H.245 messages.
− In Annex D of [ITU-T T.38] (SIP): UDPTL or TCP as initiated with SDP.
− In Annex E of [ITU-T T.38]: UDPTL or TCP as initiated with ITU-T H.248.
− In [ITU-T T.37]: SMTP (MIME)/TCP.

10.5.1 Function

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Real-time fax allows telecom users to transfer fax pages in real-time. For each transport environment, a suitable transport protocol must be selected to carry the image. Currently defined and recommended transport environments for ITU-T T.30 media streams that can be supported by this package are:

1) packet networks, where the procedures described in Annex B of [ITU-T T.38] can be used for setting up and conducting fax sessions, using TCP or UDPTL for the transport of ITU-T T.30 signals and data;
2) packet networks, where the procedures described in Annex D of [ITU-T H.323] can be used for setting up and conducting fax and voice sessions, using TCP or UDPTL as negotiated via ITU-T H.245;
3) packet networks, where the IETF Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) can be used for setting up and conducting fax sessions as defined in Annex D of [ITU-T T.38] using UDPTL or TCP for the transport of T.30 signals and data;
4) packet networks, where ITU-T H.248 can be used for setting up and conducting fax sessions as defined in Annex E of [ITU-T T.38] using UDPTL or TCP for the transport of ITU-T T.30 signals and data;

5) packet networks, where the packets of ITU-T G.711 coded data (with ITU-T T.30 signals and data embedded) can be transported via RTP.

The Extended Simple Mail Transport Protocol messaging environment over packet, that can be used alone or in conjunction with any of the environments above, where [ITU-T T.37] specifies the methods for transporting image/tiff files using the same compression methods as specified for use in [ITU-T T.30]. For information it can be noted that [IETF RFC 2301], [IETF RFC 3302], [IETF RFC 3191], [IETF RFC 3192], [IETF RFC 2305] and [IETF RFC 2530], [IETF RFC 2879] and [IETF RFC 2532] specify these transport mechanisms.

Interworking between these forms of fax can be achieved through the use of gateways with packages defined here.

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10.5.4 Informative example

One possible instruction from an MGC to an MG to modify an existing context to an ITU-T T.38 media stream:

MGC to MG:
MEGACO/1.0 [123.123.123.4]:55555
Transaction = 14 {
  Context = 2000 {
    Modify = RTP/1 {
      Media {
        Stream = 1 {
          Local {
            v=0
            c=IN IP4 124.124.124.222
            m=image 1111 udptl t38
            a=T38FaxRateManagement:transferredTCF
            a=T38UdpEC:t38UDPFEC
          }
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
Appendix I

Call discrimination flows

(This appendix does not form an integral part of this Recommendation.)

This appendix details example call flows in Figures I.1 and I.2 for Call Establishment and
discrimination. It details call controlling signalling, ITU-T H.248 and bearer and in-band signalling
interactions.

Figure I.1 – MGC controlled call discrimination
Figure I.2 – MG controlled call discrimination
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