
Real Time Protocol (RTP) over LANs supporting 802.1 AVB, an overview (A.K.A. IEEE P1733)

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Purpose of 1733

Answer the question:

Once the local area network supports accurate time and latency/bandwidth reservations & traffic shaping, what's the minimum set of changes to the RTP protocols that is needed to take advantage of these features?

Objectives:

- **No changes to RTP media formats, existing or future**
- **Correlate RTP timestamp to 802.1AS**
 - Allowing an arbitrary number of media clocks simultaneously
- **Correlate RTP stream to 802.1Qat stream ID**
- **Document interfaces for use by higher layer protocols**

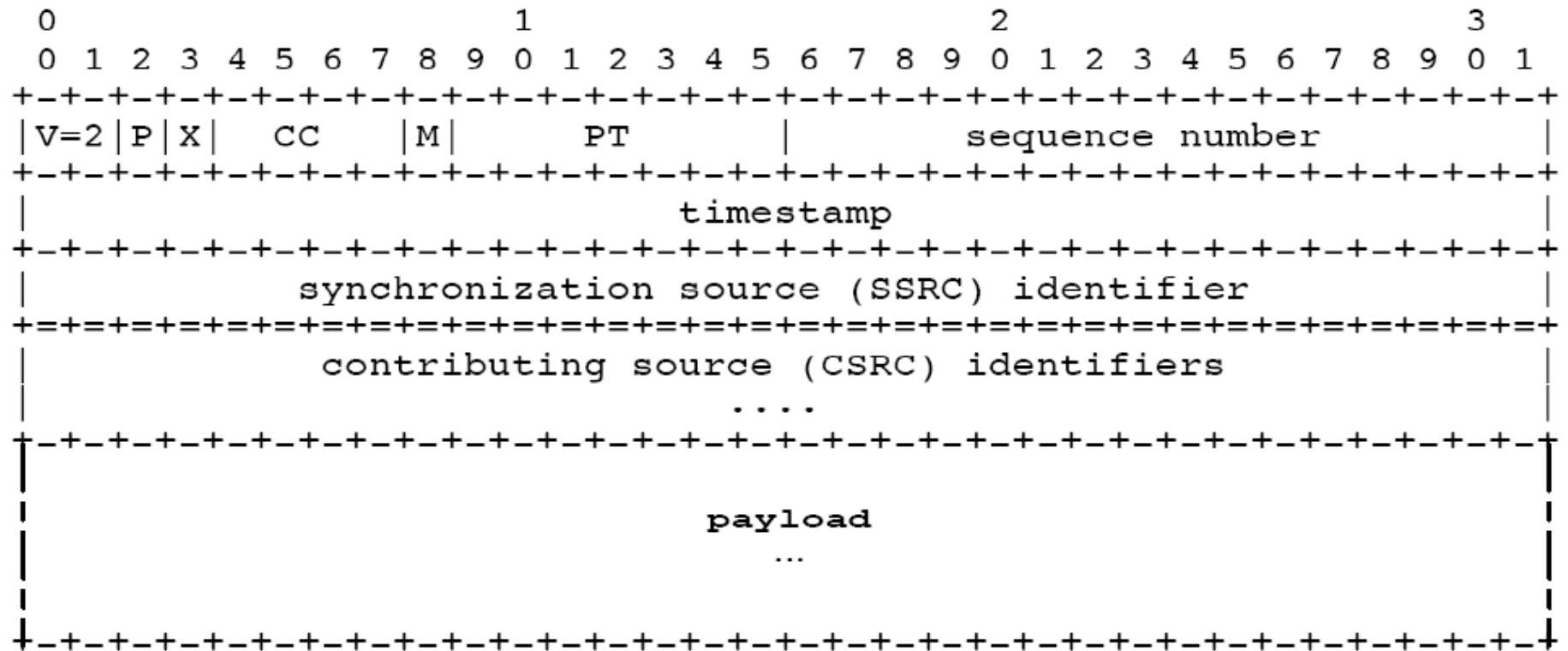
AVB Overview

- **IEEE 802.1 Audio Video Bridging (AVB) WG**
- **Three standards, all approaching sponsor ballot**
 - 802.1Qav – traffic shaping for predictable latency
 - 802.1Qat – stream reservations within the LAN
 - 802.1AS – accurate time synchronization
- **Together, give real-time media streaming capabilities to the LAN**

RTP Overview

- **History:** Published in 1996 as RFC 1889
- **Addressing:** Originally Multicast, Unicast also
- **Transport:** IP/UDP
- **Original target:** Streaming of real-time audio/video
- **Media formats:** too many to count
- **RTP is supplemented with RTCP, RTSP**
 - E.g. Communicate sender & receiver information out-of-band
- **IP/UDP/RTP header overhead: 40 Bytes**
 - Perhaps 18B with header compression, if applicable

The RTP header



IEEE 1733 does NOT change the RTP header

**Implication: Existing RTP header/payload parsers
continue to work, offset of payload is unchanged**

(Early) Registered RTP Payload Types

Registry:

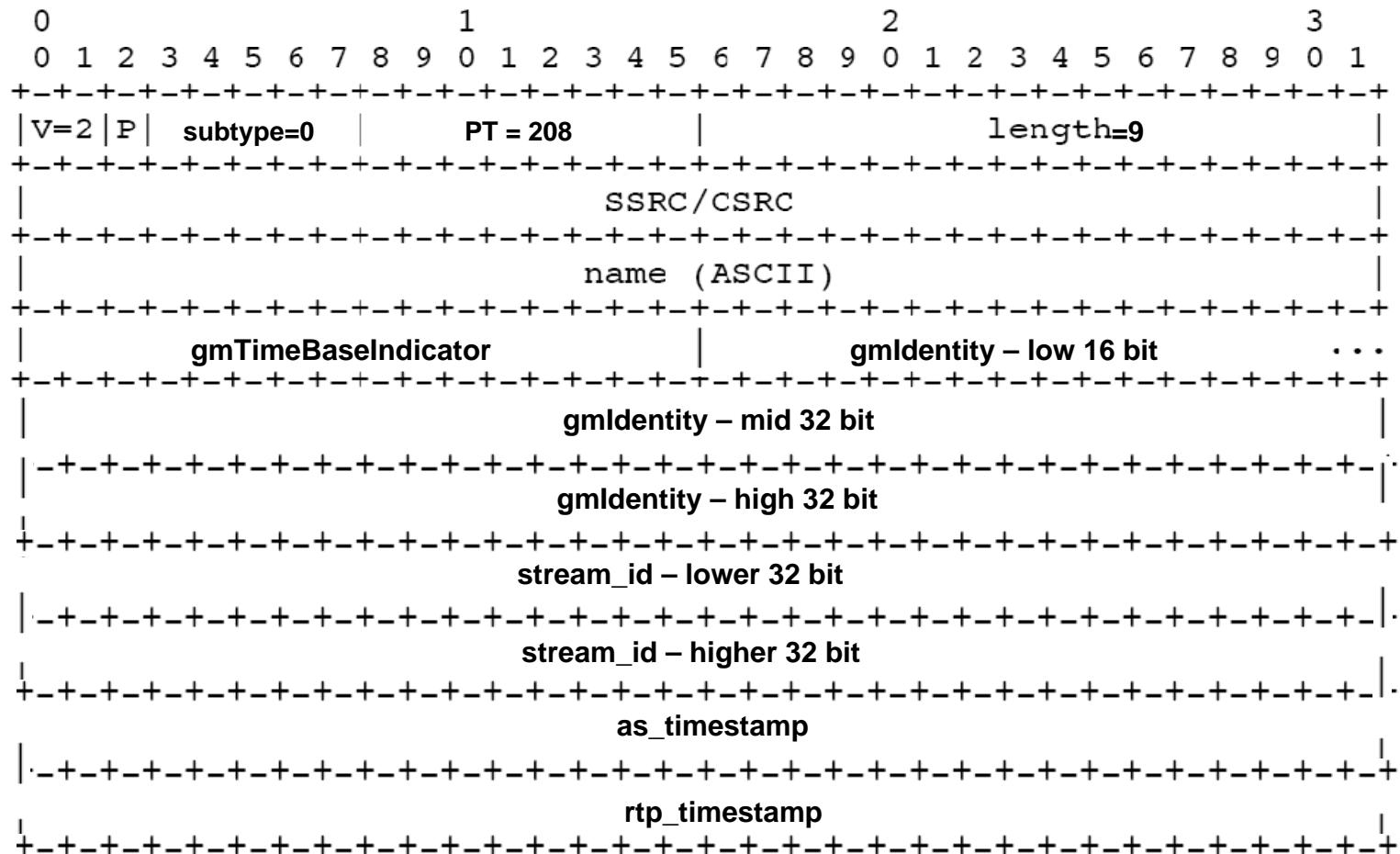
PT	encoding name	audio/video (A/V)	clock rate (Hz)	channels (audio)	Reference
0	PCMU	A	8000	1	[RFC3551]
3	GSM	A	8000	1	[RFC3551]
4	G723	A	8000	1	[Kumar]
5	DVI4	A	8000	1	[RFC3551]
6	DVI4	A	16000	1	[RFC3551]
7	LPC	A	8000	1	[RFC3551]
8	PCMA	A	8000	1	[RFC3551]
9	G722	A	8000	1	[RFC3551]
10	L16	A	44100	2	[RFC3551]
11	L16	A	44100	1	[RFC3551]
12	QCELP	A	8000	1	
13	CN	A	8000	1	[RFC3389]
14	MPA	A	90000		[RFC3551][RFC2250]
15	G728	A	8000	1	[RFC3551]
16	DVI4	A	11025	1	[DiPol]
17	DVI4	A	22050	1	[DiPol]
18	G729	A	8000	1	
25	CelB	V	90000		[RFC2029]
26	JPEG	V	90000		[RFC2435]
28	nv	V	90000		[RFC3551]
31	H261	V	90000		[RFC2032]
32	MPV	V	90000		[RFC2250]
33	MP2T	AV	90000		[RFC2250]
34	H263	V	90000		[Zhu]

NOTE: Additional static assignments for this (small) 7-bit field has been halted by RFC 3551. Thus, most payload encodings use a dynamic Payload Type, e.g. RFC 3190 defines “RTP Payload Format for 12-bit DAT Audio and 20- and 24-bit Linear Sampled Audio”, MIDI over RTP is defined in RFC 4695.

If we don't change RTP, how can it use AVB?

- **RTCP, the RTP Control Protocol (RFC 3550) typically carries:**
 - Sender report (from the talker)
 - Receiver report (from the listeners)
 - [and others]
- **These are used to collect relevant statistics, and to provide out-of-band stream information**
- **1733 defines a new RTCP payload to correlate a RTP stream with its underlying AVB parameters**

New RTCP payload format



Periodically, the sender sends RTCP packets containing:

- Correlation (cross-timestamp) between RTP header timestamp and 802.1AS time
- Correlation between 802.1Qat “streamID” and RTP SSRC

RTCP Types

From <http://www.iana.org/assignments/rtp-parameters>

Registry:

Value	Abbrev.	Name	Reference
0		Reserved	
1-191		Unassigned	
192	FIR	full INTRA-frame request	[RFC2032]
193	NACK	negative acknowledgement	[RFC2032]
194	SMPTETC	SMPTE time-code mapping	[RFC5484]
195	IJ	Extended inter-arrival jitter report	[RFC-ietf-avt...]
196-199		Unassigned	
200	SR	sender report	[RFC3551]
201	RR	receiver report	[RFC3551]
202	SDES	source description	[RFC3551]
203	BYE	goodbye	[RFC3551]
204	APP	application-defined	[RFC3551]
205	RTPFB	Generic RTP Feedback	[RFC4585]
206	PSFB	Payload-specific	[RFC4585]
207	XR	extended report	[RFC3611]
208	AVB	AVB RTCP packet	[IEEE1733]



Summary

802.1 AVB is defining new LAN features for accurate time, stream reservations, and traffic shaping for latency & bandwidth

RTP supports IP-based real-time media streaming

A new RTCP type that correlates RTP with relevant AVB information is specified in IEEE P1733

...Allowing RTP to utilize 802.1 AVB features

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For more information see: <http://grouper.ieee.org/groups/1733>