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1 Scope

The Wireless Application Protocol (WAP) is a result of continuous work to define an industry-wide specification for developing applications that operate over wireless communication networks. The scope for the WAP Forum is to define a set of specifications to be used by service applications. The wireless market is growing very quickly, and reaching new customers and services. To enable operators and manufacturers to meet the challenges in advanced services, differentiation and fast/flexible service creation WAP Forum defines a set of protocols in transport, security, transaction, session and application layers. For additional information on the WAP architecture, please refer to *"Wireless Application Protocol Architecture Specification"* [WAPARCH].

The Session layer protocol family in the WAP architecture is called the Wireless Session Protocol, WSP. WSP provides the upper-level application layer of WAP with a consistent interface for two session services. The first is a connection-mode service that operates above a transaction layer protocol WTP, and the second is a connectionless service that operates above a secure or non-secure datagram transport service. For more information on the transaction and transport services, please refer to *"Wireless Application Protocol: Wireless Transaction Protocol Specification"* [WAPWTP] and *"Wireless Application Protocol: Wireless Datagram Protocol Specification"* [WAPWDP].

The Wireless Session Protocols currently offer services most suited for browsing applications (WSP/B). WSP/B provides HTTP 1.1 functionality and incorporates new features such as long-lived sessions, a common facility for data push, capability negotiation and session suspend/resume. The protocols in the WSP family are optimised for low-bandwidth bearer networks with relatively long latency.

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4 Definitions and Abbreviations

4.1 Definitions

For the purposes of this specification the following definitions apply.

Bearer Network

A bearer network is used to carry the messages of a transport-layer protocol - and ultimately also of the session layer protocols - between physical devices. During the lifetime of a session, several bearer networks may be used.

Capability

Capability is a term introduced in section 6.3.2, "Capabilities", to refer to the session layer protocol facilities and configuration parameters that a client or server supports.

Capability Negotiation

Capability negotiation is the mechanism defined in section 6.3.2.1, "Capability Negotiation", for agreeing on session functionality and protocol options. Session capabilities are negotiated during session establishment. Capability negotiation allows a server application to determine whether a client can support certain protocol facilities and configurations.

Client and Server

The term client and server are used in order to map WSP to well known and existing systems. A client is a device (or application) which initiates a request for a session. The server is a device that passively waits for session requests from client devices. The server can either accept the request or reject it.

An implementation of the WSP protocol may include only client or server functions in order to minimise the footprint. A client or server may only support a subset of the protocol facilities, indicating this during protocol capability negotiation.

Connectionless Session Service

Connectionless session service (section 6.4) is an unreliable session service. In this mode, only the request primitive is available to service users, and only the indication primitive is available to the service provider.

Connection-Mode Session Service

Connection-mode session service (section 6.3) is a reliable session service. In this mode, both request and response primitives are available to service users, and both indication and confirm primitives are available to the service provider.

Content

The entity body sent with a request or response is referred to as content. It is encoded in a format and encoding defined by the entity-header fields.

Content Negotiation

Content negotiation is the mechanism the server uses to select the appropriate type and encoding of content when servicing a request. The type and encoding of content in any response can be negotiated. Content negotiation allows a server application to decide whether a client can support a certain form of content.

Entity

An entity is the information transferred as the payload of a request or response. An entity consists of metainformation in the form of entity-header fields and content in the form of an entity-body.

Header

A header contains meta-information. Specifically, a session header contains general information about a session that remains constant over the lifetime of a session; an entity-header contains meta-information about a particular request, response or entity body (content).

Layer Entity

In the OSI architecture, the active elements within a layer that participate in providing layer service are called layer entities.

Method

Method is the *type* of client request as defined by HTTP/1.1 (eg, Get, Post, etc.). A WSP client uses methods and extended methods to invoke services on the server.

Null terminated string

A sequence of non-zero octets followed by a zero octet.

Peer Address Quadruplet

Sessions are associated with a particular client address, client port, server address and server port. This combination of four values is called the peer address quadruplet in the specification.

Proxy

An intermediary program that acts both as a server and a client for the purpose of making request on behalf of other clients. Requests are serviced internally or by passing them on, with possible translation, to other server.

Pull and Push Data Transfer

Push and pull are common vernacular in the Internet world to describe push transactions and method transactions respectively. A server "pushes" data to a client by invoking the WSP/B push service, whereas a client "pulls" data from a server by invoking the WSP/B method service.

Session

A long-lived communication context established between two programs for the purpose of transactions and typed data transfer.

Session Service Access Point (S-SAP)

Session Service Access Point is a conceptual point at which session service is provided to the upper layer.

Session Service Provider

A Session Service Provider is a layer entity that actively participates in providing the session service via an S-SAP.

Session Service User

A Session Service User is a layer entity that requests services from a Session Service Provider via an S-SAP.

Transaction

Three forms of transactions are specified herein. We do not use the term transaction to imply the semantics often associated with database transactions.

- A *method transaction* is a three-way request-response-acknowledge communication initiated by the client to invoke a method on the server.
- A *push transaction* is a two-way request-acknowledge communication initiated by the server to push data to the client.
- A *transport transaction* is a lower-level transaction primitive provided by a Transaction Service Provider.

4.2 Abbreviations

For the purposes of this specification the following abbreviations apply.

API	Application Programming Interface
A-SAP	Application Service Access Point
HTTP	Hypertext Transfer Protocol
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
MOM	Maximum Outstanding Method requests
MOP	Maximum Outstanding Push requests
MRU	Maximum Receive Unit

OSI Open System Interconnection

PDU	Protocol Data Unit
S-SAP	Session Service Access Point
SDU	Service Data Unit
SEC-SAP	Security Service Access Point
T-SAP	Transport Service Access Point
TID	Transaction Identifier
TR-SAP	Transaction Service Access Point
WDP	Wireless Datagram Protocol
WSP	Wireless Session Protocol
WSP/B	Wireless Session Protocol Browsing
WTP	Wireless Transaction Protocol
TR-SAP WDP WSP WSP/B	Transaction Service Access Point Wireless Datagram Protocol Wireless Session Protocol Wireless Session Protocol Browsing

4.3 Documentation Conventions

This specification uses the same keywords as specified in RFC 2119 [RFC2119] for defining the significance of each particular requirement. These words are:

MUST

This word, or the terms "REQUIRED" or "SHALL", mean that the definition is an absolute requirement of the specification.

MUST NOT

This phrase, or the phrase "SHALL NOT", mean that the definition is an absolute prohibition of the specification.

SHOULD

This word, or the adjective "RECOMMENDED", means that there may exist valid reasons in particular circumstances to ignore a particular item, but the full implications must be understood and carefully weighed before choosing a different course.

SHOULD NOT

This phrase, or the phrase "NOT RECOMMENDED" mean that there may exist valid reasons in particular circumstances when the particular behaviour is acceptable or even useful, but the full implications should be understood and the case carefully weighed before implementing any behaviour described with this label.

MAY

This word, or the adjective "OPTIONAL", means that an item is truly optional. One vendor may choose to include the item because a particular marketplace requires it or because the vendor feels that it enhances the product while another vendor may omit the same item. An implementation which does not include a particular option MUST be prepared to interoperate with another implementation which does include the option, though perhaps with reduced functionality. In the same vein an implementation which does not include a particular option MUST be prepared to interoperate with another implementation which does include a particular option MUST be prepared to interoperate with another implementation which does not include the option (except, of course, for the feature the option provides.)

5 WSP Architectural Overview

Wireless Session Protocol is a session-level protocol family for remote operations between a client and proxy or server.

5.1 Reference Model

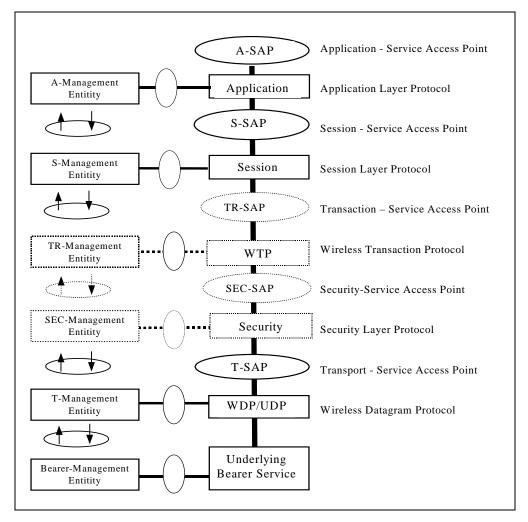


Figure 1. Wireless Application Protocol Reference Model

A model of layering the protocols in WAP is illustrated in Figure 1. WAP protocols and their functions are layered in a style resembling that of the ISO OSI Reference Model [ISO7498]. Layer Management Entities handle protocol initialisation, configuration and error conditions (such as loss of connectivity due to the mobile station roaming out of coverage) that are not handled by the protocol itself.

WSP is designed to function on the transaction and datagram services. Security is assumed to be an optional layer above the transport layer. The security layer preserves the transport service interfaces. The transaction, session or application management entities are assumed to provide the additional support that is required to establish security contexts and secure connections. This support is not provided by the WSP protocols directly. In this regard, the security layer is modular. WSP itself does not require a security layer; however, applications that use WSP may require it.

5.2 WSP/B Features

WSP provides a means for organised exchange of content between co-operating client/server applications. Specifically, it provides the applications means to:

- a) establish a reliable session from client to server and release that session in an orderly manner;
- b) agree on a common level of protocol functionality using capability negotiation;
- c) exchange content between client and server using compact encoding;
- d) suspend and resume the session.

The currently defined services and protocols (WSP/B) are most suited for browsing-type applications. WSP/B defines actually two protocols: one provides connection-mode session services over a transaction service, and another provides non-confirmed, connectionless services over a datagram transport service. The connectionless service is most suitable, when applications do not need reliable delivery of data and do not care about confirmation. It can be used without actually having to establish a session.

In addition to the general features, WSP/B offers means to:

- a) provide HTTP/1.1 functionality:
 - 1) extensible request-reply methods,
 - 2) composite objects,
 - 3) content type negotiation;
- b) exchange client and server session headers;
- c) interrupt transactions in process;
- d) push content from server to client in an unsynchronised manner;
- e) negotiate support for multiple, simultaneous asynchronous transactions.

5.2.1 Basic Functionality

The core of the WSP/B design is a binary form of HTTP. Consequently the requests sent to a server and responses going to a client may include both headers (meta-information) and data. All the methods defined by HTTP/1.1 are supported. In addition, capability negotiation can be used to agree on a set of extended request methods, so that full compatibility to HTTP/1.1 applications can be retained.

WSP/B provides typed data transfer for the application layer. The HTTP/1.1 content headers are used to define content type, character set encoding, languages, etc, in an extensible manner. However, compact binary encodings are defined for the well-known headers to reduce protocol overhead. WSP/B also specifies a compact composite data format that provides content headers for each component within the composite data object. This is a semantically equivalent binary form of the MIME "multipart/mixed" format used by HTTP/1.1.

WSP/B itself does not interpret the header information in requests and replies. As part of the session creation process, request and reply headers that remain constant over the life of the session can be exchanged between service users in the client and the server. These may include acceptable content types, character sets, languages, device capabilities and other static parameters. WSP/B will pass through client and server session headers as well as request and response headers without additions or removals.

The lifecycle of a WSP/B session is not tied to the underlying transport. A session can be suspended while the session is idle to free up network resources or save battery. A lightweight session re-establishment protocol allows the session to be resumed without the overhead of full-blown session establishment. A session may be resumed over a different bearer network.

5.2.2 Extended Functionality

WSP/B allows extended capabilities to be negotiated between the peers. This allows for both high-performance, feature-full implementation as well as simple, basic and small implementations.

WSP/B provides an optional mechanism for attaching header information (meta-data) to the acknowledgement of a transaction. This allows the client application to communicate specific information about the completed transaction back to the server.

WSP/B provides both push and pull data transfer. Pull is done using the request/response mechanism from HTTP/1.1. In addition, WSP/B provides three push mechanisms for data transfer:

- Confirmed data push within an existing session context
- Non-confirmed data push within an existing session context
- Non-confirmed data push without an existing session

The confirmed data push mechanism allows the server to push data to the client at any time during a session. The server receives confirmation that the push was delivered.

The non-confirmed data push within an existing session provides a similar function as reliable data push, but without confirmation. The non-confirmed data push can also without an existing session. In this case, a default session context is assumed. Non-confirmed out-of-session data push can be used to send one-way messages over an unreliable transport.

WSP/B optionally supports asynchronous requests, so that a client can submit multiple requests to the server simultaneously. This improves utilisation of airtime in that multiple requests and replies can be coalesced into fewer messages. This also improves latency as the results of each request can be sent to the client when it becomes available.

WSP/B partitions the space of well-known header field names into *header code pages*. Each code page can define only a fairly limited number of encodings for well-known field names, which permits them to be represented more compactly. Running out of identities for well-known field names on a certain code page is still not a problem, since WSP/B specifies a mechanism for shifting from one header code page to another.

6 WSP Elements of Layer-to-Layer Communication

The session layer in WAP provides both connection-mode and connectionless services. They are defined using an abstract description technique based on service primitives, which is borrowed from [ISO10731]. Some of the terms and concepts used to describe the communication mechanisms are borrowed from [ISO7498], whereas the terminology used for operations and the manipulated data objects is based on [RFC2068].

This service definition specifies the minimum functionality that the WAP session must be able to provide to support its users. Since this definition is abstract, it does not specify or constrain programming interfaces or implementations. In fact the same service could be delivered by different protocols.

6.1 Notations Used

6.1.1 Definition of Service Primitives and Parameters

Communications between layers and between entities within the session layer are accomplished by means of service primitives. Service primitives represent, in an abstract way, the logical exchange of information and control between the session layer and adjacent layers.

Service primitives consist of commands and their respective responses associated with the particular service provided. The general syntax of a primitive is:

X-Service.type (Parameters)

where X designates the layer providing the service. For this specification X is "S" for the Session Layer.

Service primitives are not the same as an application-programming interface (API) and are not meant to imply any specific method of implementing an API. Service primitives are an abstract means of illustrating the services provided by the protocol layer to the layer above. In particular, the service primitives and their parameters are not intended to include the information that an implementation might need to route the primitives to each implementation object, which corresponds to some abstract user or service provider entity instance. The mapping of these concepts to a real API and the semantics associated with a real API is an implementation issue and beyond the scope of this specification.

6.1.2 Time Sequence Charts

The behaviour of service primitives is illustrated using time sequence charts, which are described in [ISO10731].

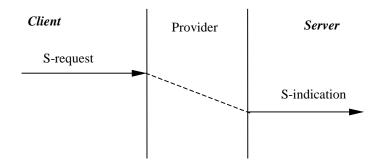


Figure 2: A Non-confirmed Service

Figure 2 illustrates a simple non-confirmed service, which is invoked using a request primitive and results in an indication primitive in the peer. The dashed line represents propagation through the provider over a period of time indicated by the vertical difference between the two arrows representing the primitives. If the labels *Client* and *Server* are included in the diagram, this indicates that both peers cannot originate a primitive; if the labels are omitted, either peer can originate the primitive.

6.1.3 Primitives Types

The primitives types defined in this specification are

Туре	Abbreviation	Description
Request	req	Used when a higher layer is requesting a service from the next lower layer
Indication	ind	A layer providing a service uses this primitive type to notify the next higher
		layer of activities related to the peer (such as the invocation of the request
		primitive) or to the provider of the service (such as a protocol generated event)
Response	res	A layer uses the response primitive type to acknowledge receipt of the
		indication primitive type from the next lower layer
Confirm	cnf	The layer providing the requested service uses the confirm primitive type to
		report that the activity has been completed successfully

6.1.4 Primitive Parameter Tables

The service primitives are defined using tables indicating which parameters are possible and how they are used with the different primitive types. If some primitive type is not possible, the column for it will be omitted.

The entries used in the primitive type columns are defined in the following table:

Table 1. Parameter Usage Legend		
М	Presence of the parameter is mandatory - it MUST be present	
С	Presence of the parameter is conditional depending on values of other parameters	
0	Presence of the parameter is a user option - it MAY be omitted	
Р	Presence of the parameter is a service provider option - an implementation MAY not provide it	
_	The parameter is absent	
*	Presence of the parameter is determined by the lower layer protocol	
(=)	The value of the parameter is identical to the value of the corresponding parameter of the preceding service primitive	

For example, a simple confirmed primitive might be defined using the following:

Primitive		S-PrimitiveX		
Parameter	req	Ind	res	cnf
Parameter 1	M	M(=)	-	_
Parameter 2	-	_	0	C(=)

In the example definition above, *Parameter 1* is always present in *S-PrimitiveX.request* and corresponding *S-PrimitiveX.indication*. *Parameter 2* MAY be specified in *S-PrimitiveX.response* and in that case it MUST be present and have the equivalent value also in the corresponding *S-PrimitiveX.confirm*; otherwise, it MUST NOT be present.

An example of a simpler primitive is:

	Primitive	S-PrimitiveY	
Parameter		req	ind
Parameter 2		_	М

In this example, *S-PrimitiveY.request* has no parameters, but the corresponding *S-PrimitiveX.indication* MUST always have *Parameter 2*. *S-PrimitiveX.response* and *S-PrimitiveX.confirm* are not defined and so can never occur.

6.2 Service Parameter Types

This section describes the types of the abstract parameters used subsequently in the service primitive definition. The actual format and encoding of these types is an implementation issue not addressed by this service definition.

In the primitive descriptions the types are used in the names of parameters, and they often have an additional qualifier indicating where or how the parameter is being used. For example, parameter *Push Body* is of the type *Body*, and parameter *Client Address* of type *Address*.

6.2.1 Address

The session layer uses directly the addressing scheme of the layer below. *Server Address* and *Client Address* together form the peer address quadruplet, which identifies the local lower-layer service access point to be used for communication. This access point has to be prepared for communication prior to invoking the session services; this is expected to be accomplished with interactions between the service user and management entities in a manner that is not a part of this specification.

6.2.2 Body and Headers

The *Body* type is equivalent to the HTTP entity-body [RFC2068]. The *Headers* type represents a list of attribute information items, which are equivalent to HTTP headers.

6.2.3 Capabilities

The *Capabilities* type represents a set of service facilities and parameter settings, which are related to the operation of the service provider. The predefined capabilities are described in section 6.3.2.2, but the service providers may recognise additional capabilities.

6.2.4 Push Identifier (Push Id)

The *Push Identifier* type represents an abstract value, which can be used to uniquely distinguish among the push transactions of a session that are pending on the service interface.

6.2.5 Reason

The service provider uses the *Reason* type to report the cause of a particular indication primitive. Each provider MAY define additional *Reason* values, but the service user MUST be prepared for the following ones:

Reason Value	Description
PROTOERR	The rules of the protocol prevented the peer from performing the operation in its
	current state. For example, the used PDU was not allowed.
DISCONNECT	The session was disconnected while the operation was still in progress.
SUSPEND	The session was suspended while the operation was still in progress.
RESUME	The session was resumed while the operation was still in progress.
CONGESTION	The peer implementation could not process the request due to lack of resources.
CONNECTERR	An error prevented session creation.
MRUEXCEEDED	The SDU size in a request was larger than the Maximum Receive Unit negotiated
	with the peer.

Reason Value	Description
MOREXCEEDED	The negotiated upper limit on the number of simultaneously outstanding method
	or push requests was exceeded.
PEERREQ	The service peer requested the operation to be aborted.
NETERR	An underlying network error prevented completion of a request.
USERREQ	An action of the local service user was the cause of the indication.

6.2.6 Request URI

The *Request URI* parameter type is intended to have a similar use as the Request-URI in HTTP method requests [RFC2068]. However, the session user MAY use it as it sees fit, even leaving it empty or including binary data not compatible with the URI syntax.

6.2.7 Status

The Status parameter type has values equivalent to the HTTP/1.1 status codes [RFC2068].

6.2.8 Transaction Identifier (Transaction Id)

The *Transaction Identifier* type represents an abstract value, which can be used to uniquely distinguish among the method invocation transactions of a session that are pending on the service interface.

6.3 Connection-mode Session Service

6.3.1 Overview

The connection-mode session service is divided into facilities, some of which are optional. Most of the facilities are asymmetric so that the operations available for the client and the server connected by the session are different. The provided facilities are

- Session Management facility
- Method Invocation facility
- Exception Reporting facility
- Push facility
- Confirmed Push facility
- Session Resume facility

The Session Management and Exception reporting facilities are always available. The others are controlled by capability negotiation during session establishment.

Session Management allows a client to connect with a server and to agree on the facilities and protocol options to be used. A server can refuse the connection attempt, optionally redirecting the client to another server. During session establishment the client and server can also exchange attribute information, which is expected to remain valid for the duration of the session. Both the server and the client service user can also terminate the session, so that the peer is eventually notified about the termination. The user is also notified if session termination occurs due to the action of the service provider or a management entity.

Method Invocation permits the client to ask the server to execute an operation and return the result. The available operations are the HTTP methods [RFC2068] or user-defined extension operations, which fit into the same request-reply or transaction pattern. The service users both in the client and the server are always notified about the completion of the transaction, whether it succeeded or failed. Failure can be caused by an abort initiated either by the service user or the service provider.

The *Exception Reporting* facility allows the service provider to notify the user about events that are related to no particular transaction and do not cause a change in the state of the session.

The *Push* facility permits the server to send unsolicited information to the client taking advantage of the session information shared by the client and the server. This facility is a non-confirmed one, so delivery of the information MAY be unreliable.

The *Confirmed Push* facility is similar to the *Push* facility, but the client confirms the receipt of the information. The client may also choose to abort the push, so that the server is notified.

The *Session Resume* facility includes means to suspend a session so that the state of the session is preserved, but both peers know that further communication is not possible until the client resumes the session. This mechanism is also used to handle the situations in which the service provider detects that further communication is no longer possible, until some corrective action is taken by the service user or management entities. It can also be used to switch the session to use an alternate bearer network, which has more appropriate properties than the one being used. This facility SHOULD be implemented to ensure reasonable behaviour in certain bearer network environments.

6.3.2 Capabilities

Information that is related to the operation of the session service provider is handled using *capabilities*. Capabilities are used for a wide variety of purposes, ranging from representing the selected set of service facilities and settings of particular protocol parameters, to establishing the code page and extension method names used by both peers.

6.3.2.1 Capability Negotiation

Capability negotiation is used between service peers to agree on a mutually acceptable level of service, and to optimise the operation of the service provider according to the actual requirements of the service user. Capability negotiation is to be applied only to *negotiable* capabilities; *informational* capabilities are to be communicated to the peer service user without modifications.

The peer which starts the capability negotiation process is called the *initiator*, and the other peer is called the *responder*. Only a *one-way capability negotiation* is defined, in which the initiator proposes a set of capabilities, and the responder replies to these. The capability negotiation process is under the control of the initiator, so that the responder MUST NOT ever reply with any capability setting, which implies a higher level of functionality than the one proposed by the initiator and supported by the service provider peers. Capabilities carried by a service primitive, this must be interpreted to mean that the originator of the primitive wants to use the current capability setting, either the default or the value agreed upon during capability negotiation process. However, the responder may still reply with a different capability value, as long as this does not imply a higher level of functionality.

The one-way capability negotiation proceeds as follows:

- 1. Service user in initiator proposes a set of capability values.
- 2. The service provider in the initiator modifies the capabilities, so that they do not imply a higher level of functionality than the provider actually can support.
- 3. The service provider in the responder further modifies the capabilities, so that they do not imply a higher level of functionality than the provider in the responder actually can support.
- 4. The service user in the responder receives this modified set of capabilities, and responds with a set of capabilities, which reflect the level of functionality it actually wishes to use. If a particular capability is omitted, this is interpreted to mean that the responding service user wants to use the proposed capability setting.
- 5. The capabilities selected by the service user in the responder are indicated to the service user in the initiator. They will become the default settings, which will be applicable in the next capability negotiation during the session.

If the operation implied by the service primitive that is used to convey the capability information fails, the capability settings that were in effect before the operation shall remain in effect.

If a negotiable capability value is a positive integer, the final capability setting shall be the minimum of the values, which the service users have proposed to use and which the service provider peers are capable of supporting.

If a negotiable capability value is a set, the final capability setting shall contain only those elements, which are all included in the subsets that the service users have proposed to use and which the service provider peers are capable of supporting.

6.3.2.2 Defined Capabilities

A service user and a service provider MUST recognise the following capabilities.

Capability Name	Class	Туре	Description
Aliases	I	List of addresses	A service user can use this capability to indicate, which alternate addresses the peer may use to access the same service user instance, that is using the current session. The addresses are listed in a preference order, with the most preferred alias first. This information can, for example, be used to facilitate a switch to a new bearer, when a session is resumed.
Client SDU Size	N	Positive integer	The client and server use this capability to agree on the size of the largest transaction service data unit, which may be sent to the <i>client</i> during the session.
Extended Methods	N	Set of method names	This capability is used to agree on the set of extended methods (beyond those defined in HTTP/1.1), which are supported both by the client and the server peer, and may be used subsequently during the session.
Header Code Pages	N	Set of code page names	This capability is used to agree on the set of extension header code pages, which are supported both by the client and the server, and shall be used subsequently during the session.
Maximum Outstanding Method Requests	N	Positive integer	The client and server use this capability to agree on the maximum number of method invocations, which can be active at the same time during the session.
Maximum Outstanding Push Requests	N	Positive integer	The client and server use this capability to agree on the maximum number of confirmed push invocations, which can be active at the same time during the session.
Protocol Options	N	Set of facilities and features	This capability is used to enable the optional service facilities and features. It may contain elements from the list: Push, Confirmed Push, Session Resume, Acknowledgement Headers. The presence of an element indicates that use of the specific facility or feature is enabled.
Server SDU Size	N	Positive integer	The client and server use this capability to agree on the size of the largest transaction service data unit, which may be sent to the <i>server</i> during the session.

In the *Class* column *N* stands for negotiable, *I* for informational.

6.3.3 Service Primitives

This section lists all the abstract service primitives provided by the service and defines their meaning.

6.3.3.1 S-Connect

This primitive is used to initiate session establishment and to notify of its success. It also provides one-way capability negotiation with the client being the initiator and the server being the responder. It is part of the *Session Management* facility.

Pri	mitive	S-Connect			
Parameter		req	Ind	Res	cnf
Server Address		М	M(=)	_	-
Client Address		М	M(=)	_	-
Client Headers		Ο	C(=)	_	-
Requested Capabilities		0	М	_	_
Server Headers		_	_	0	C(=)
Negotiated Capabilities		_	_	0	M(=)

Server Address identifies the peer with which the session is to be established.

Client Address identifies the originator of the session.

Client Headers and *Server Headers* represent attribute information compatible with HTTP message headers [RFC2068], which is communicated without modification between the service users. They can be used for application-level parameters or to cache request headers and response headers, respectively, that are constant throughout the session. However, the actual interpretation and use of this information are completely up to the service users. If these parameters are not provided, applications may rely on application-dependent default session headers to provide a static form of session-wide information.

Requested Capabilities and *Negotiated Capabilities* are used to implement the capability negotiation process described in section 6.3.2.1, "Capability Negotiation". If the rules for capability negotiation are violated, the appropriate action is to fail the session establishment.

The service user may during session establishment invoke some service primitives that will turn out not to be part of the finally selected session functionality. When session establishment and the associated capability negotiation completes, such service requests shall be aborted and the appropriate error shall be indicated to the service user. It is an error, if such primitives are invoked after the session has been established, and the appropriate action is a local implementation matter.

The following figure illustrates the primitives used in a successful session establishment. The service user MAY request a method invocation already while the session is being established. Primitives related to this are shown with dashed lines.

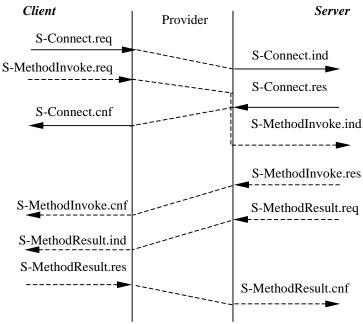


Figure 3: Successful Session Establishment

A disconnect indication generated by the service provider can occur also at any time during the session establishment.

6.3.3.2 S-Disconnect

This primitive is used to disconnect a session and to notify the session user that the session could not be established or has been disconnected. It is part of the *Session Management* facility. This primitive is always indicated when the session termination is detected, regardless of whether the disconnection was initiated by the local service user, the peer service user or the service provider. Before the disconnect indication, the session service provider MUST abort all incomplete method and push transactions. After the indication further primitives associated with the session MUST NOT occur.

F	Primitive	S-Disconnect	
Parameter		req	ind
Reason Code		М	M(=)
Redirect Security		С	C(=)
Redirect Addresses		С	C(=)
Error Headers		0	P(=)
Error Body		0	P(=)

The *Reason Code* parameter indicates the cause of disconnection. The possible values are a union of the values possible for the Reason and Status parameter types.

If *Reason Code* indicates that the client is being redirected to contact a new server address, the *Redirect Security* and *Redirect Addresses* parameters MUST be present.

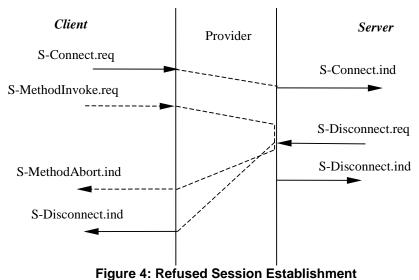
Redirect Security indicates whether or not the client MAY reuse the current secure session when redirecting to the new server or whether it MUST use a different secure session.

Redirect Addresses are the alternate addresses, which the client at the moment MUST use to establish a session with the same service it initially tried to contact. If *Reason Code* indicates that the client is being redirected temporarily, it SHOULD use the original *Server Address* in future attempts to establish a session with the service, once the subsequent

session with one of the redirect addresses has terminated. If *Reason* indicates that the client is being redirected permanently, it SHOULD use one of the *Redirect Addresses* in future attempts to establish a session with the service.

If *Reason Code* takes one of the values in the Status type, *Error Headers* and *Error Body* SHOULD be included to provide meaningful information about the error in addition to the *Reason Code*. The size of the headers and body MUST NOT cause the SDU to exceed the currently selected Maximum Receive Unit of the peer. The service provider MAY choose not to communicate the *Error Headers and Error Body* to the peer service user.

The following figure illustrates the primitives used, when the server rejects or redirects the session. The service user MAY request a method invocation already while the session is being established. Primitives related to this are shown with dashed lines.



A disconnect indication generated by the service provider can occur at any time during the session.

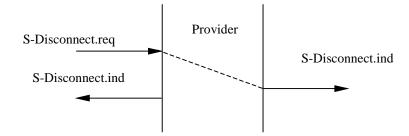


Figure 5: Active Session Termination

The primitive sequence for session termination of an active session is shown in Figure 5. The S-Disconnect.indication indicates that the session has been torn down, and cannot generate any further indications. The service provider shall abort all outstanding transactions prior to the S-Disconnect.indication.

The service user must be prepared for the session being disconnected at any time; if it wishes to continue communication, it has to establish the session again and retry the method invocations that may have been aborted.

6.3.3.3 S-Suspend

This primitive is used to request the session to be suspended, so that no other activity can occur on it, until it is either resumed or disconnected. Before the session becomes suspended, the session service provider MUST abort all incomplete method and push transactions. This primitive is part of the *Session Resume* facility.

	Primitive	S-Sus	pend
Parameter		req	ind
Reason		_	М

Reason provides the reason for the suspension. The service user may have requested it, or the service provider may have initiated it.

A possible flow of primitives is shown in the Figure 6:

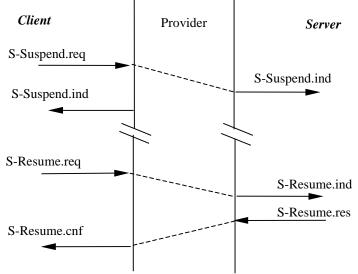


Figure 6: Session Suspension and Resume

Typically, the client would suspend a session, when it knows it will not be available to respond to data pushes, for example, because it will be close a data circuit in the underlying bearer network. A side effect of S-Suspend.request is that all data transfer transactions are immediately aborted.

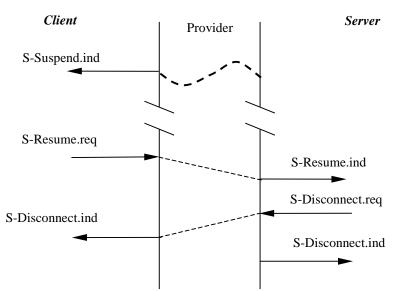


Figure 7: Suspend by Provider and Refused Resume

The service provider MAY also cause an established session to be suspended at any time, eg, due to the bearer network becoming unavailable. Figure 7 shows a scenario, in which only one of the peers - in this case the client - is notified about the suspension. When the client tries to resume the session, the server refuses the attempt by disconnecting the session. For example, the server may consider the used bearer network to be unsuitable.

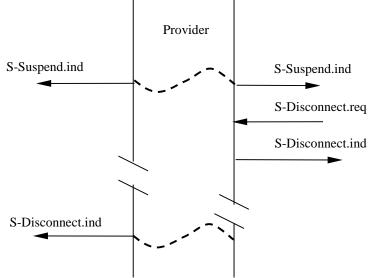


Figure 8: Suspended Session Termination

Figure 8 shows a sequence of events, in which both service users happen to be notified about the suspended session. However, in this case one service user decides to disconnect instead of trying to resume the session. The service user may tear down one half of the session at any time by invoking the S-Disconnect.request primitive. However, the other half of the session will not be notified of this, since the communication path between the service peers is not available. As shown in the figure, the service provider SHOULD eventually terminate a suspended session. The time a suspended session is retained is a local implementation matter.

6.3.3.4 S-Resume

This primitive is used to request the session to be resumed using the new service access point identified by the addresses. It is part of the *Session Resume* facility.

Primitive	S-Resume			
Parameter	req	ind	res	cnf
Server Address	M	M(=)	—	-
Client Address	М	M(=)	_	_

Server Address identifies the peer with which the session is to be resumed.

Client Address identifies the current origin of the session.

Both the *Server Address and Client Address* MAY be different than the one that was in effect before the session was suspended. If the *Server Address* is different than before suspension, the service user is responsible for providing an address, which will contact the same server instance that was previously in use.

6.3.3.5 S-Exception

This primitive is used to report events that neither are related to a particular transaction nor cause the session to be disconnected or suspended. It is part of the *Exception Reporting* facility.

	Primitive	S-Exception
Parameter		ind
Exception Data		М

Exception Data includes information from the service provider. Exceptions may occur for many reasons:

- Changes to the underlying transport (eg, roaming out of coverage)
- Changes to quality of service
- Changes or problems in the security layer

6.3.3.6 S-MethodInvoke

This primitive is used to request an operation to be executed by the server. It can be used only together with the S-MethodResult primitive. This primitive is part of the *Method Invocation* facility.

	Primitive	S-MethodInvoke			
Parameter		req	ind	res	cnf
Client Transaction Id		М	-	-	M(=)
Server Transaction Id		_	М	M(=)	_
Method		М	M(=)	_	_
Request URI		М	M(=)	_	_
Request Headers		0	C(=)	_	_
Request Body		С	C(=)	_	_

The service user in the client can use *Client Transaction Id* to distinguish between pending transactions.

The service user in the server can use Server Transaction Id to distinguish between pending transactions.

Method identifies the requested operation: either an HTTP method [RFC2068] or one of the extension methods established during capability negotiation.

Request URI specifies the entity to which the operation applies.

Request Headers are a list of attribute information semantically equivalent to HTTP headers [RFC2068].

Request Body is the data associated with the request, which is semantically equivalent to HTTP entity body. If the request *Method* is not defined to allow an entity-body, *Request Body* MUST NOT be provided [RFC2068].

6.3.3.7 S-MethodResult

This primitive is used to return a response to an operation request. It can be invoked only after a preceding S-MethodInvoke primitive has occurred. This primitive is part of the *Method Invocation* facility.

Prin	nitive	S-MethodResult			
Parameter		req	ind	res	cnf
Server Transaction Id		М	-	_	M(=)
Client Transaction Id		_	Μ	M(=)	_
Status		М	M(=)	_	_
Response Headers		0	C(=)	_	_
Response Body		С	C(=)	_	_
Acknowledgement Headers		-	_	0	P(=)

The service user in the client can use *Client Transaction Id* to distinguish between pending transactions. It MUST match the Client Transaction Id of a previous S-MethodInvoke.request, for which S-MethodResult.indication has not yet occurred.

The service user in the server can use *Server Transaction Id* to distinguish between pending transactions. It MUST match the Server Transaction Id of a previous S-MethodInvoke.response, for which S-MethodResult.request has not yet occurred.

Status is semantically equivalent to an HTTP status code [RFC2068].

Response Headers are a list of attribute information semantically equivalent to HTTP headers [RFC2068].

Response Body is the data associated with the response, which is semantically equivalent to an HTTP entity body. If *Status* indicates an error, *Response Body* SHOULD provide additional information about the error in a form, which can be shown to the human user.

Acknowledgement Headers MAY be used to return some information back to the server. However, the provider MAY ignore this parameter or support the transfer of a very limited amount of data.

The following figure illustrates the flow of primitives in a complete transaction.

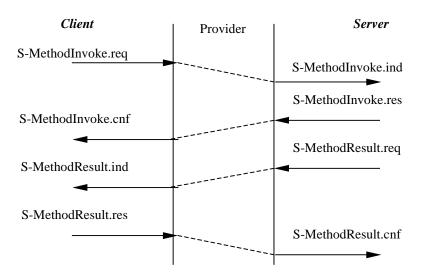
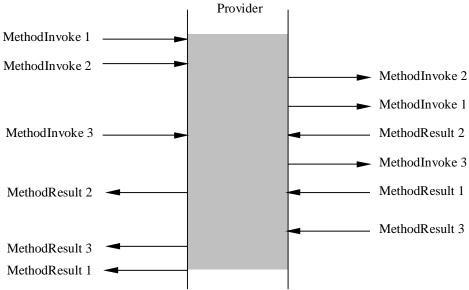


Figure 9: Completed Transaction

If the transaction is aborted for any reason, an S-MethodAbort.indication will be delivered to the service user. It can occur instead of one of the shown indication or confirm primitives or after one of them. Once the abort indication is delivered, no further primitives related to the transaction can occur.

The session layer does not provide any sequencing between multiple overlapping method invocations, so the indications may be delivered in a different order than the corresponding requests. The same applies also to the responses and confirmations, as well as to the corresponding S-MethodResult primitives. The end result is that the results of method invocations may be delivered in an order different from the original order of the requests. The following figure illustrates this (omitting the responses and confirmations for clarity).





6.3.3.8 S-MethodAbort

This primitive is used to abort an operation request, which is not yet complete. It can be invoked only after a preceding S-MethodInvoke primitive has occurred. It is part of the *Method Invocation* facility.

	Primitive	S-MethodAbort	
Parameter		req	ind
Transaction Id		М	М
Reason		_	М

The service user in the client uses *Transaction Id* to distinguish between pending transactions, when invoking S-MethodAbort.request. It MUST match the *Client Transaction Id* of a previous S-MethodInvoke.request, for which S-MethodResult.response has not yet occurred. The *Transaction Id* of the S-MethodAbort.indication in the server will in this case match the *Server Transaction Id* of that transaction.

The service user in the server uses *Transaction Id* to distinguish between pending transactions, when invoking S-MethodAbort.request. It MUST match the *Server Transaction Id* of a previous S-MethodInvoke.indication, for which S-MethodResult.confirm has not yet occurred. The *Transaction Id* of the S-MethodAbort.indication in the client will in this case match the *Client Transaction Id* of that transaction.

Reason is the reason for aborting the transaction. It will be PEERREQ, if the peer invoked S-MethodAbort.request.

There are two scenarios depending on the timing of the primitives.

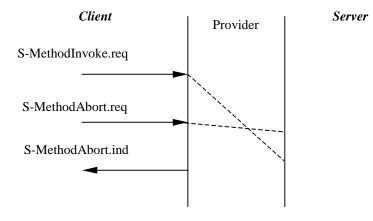


Figure 11: Abort before S-MethodInvoke.indication

The first scenario is shown in Figure 11. The abort request is submitted, while the method invocation is still being communicated to the provider peer, before the S-MethodInvoke.indication has occurred. In this case, the transaction is aborted without the peer user ever being notified about the transaction.

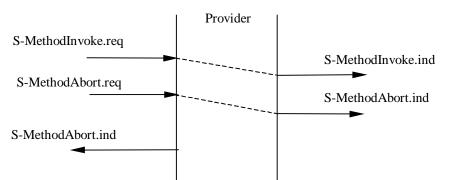


Figure 12: Abort after S-MethodInvoke.indication

The second scenario is shown in Figure 12. The abort request is communicated to the provider peer *after* the S-MethodInvoke.indication has occurred. In this case, the S-MethodAbort.indication will occur as well, and the application MUST NOT invoke any further S-MethodInvoke or S-MethodResult primitives applying to the aborted transaction.

The S-MethodAbort primitive may be invoked in the client at any time between S-MethodInvoke.request and S-MethodResult.response for the transaction to be aborted. Likewise, S-MethodAbort may be invoked in the server at any time between S-MethodInvoke.indication and S-MethodResult.confirm.

6.3.3.9 S-Push

This primitive is used to send unsolicited information from the server within the session context in a non-confirmed manner. This primitive is part of the *Push* facility.

	Primitive	S-Push	
Parameter		Req	ind
Push Headers		0	C(=)
Push Body		0	C(=)

If the location of the pushed entity needs to be indicated, the **Content-Location** header [RFC2068] SHOULD be included in *Push Headers* to ensure interoperability.

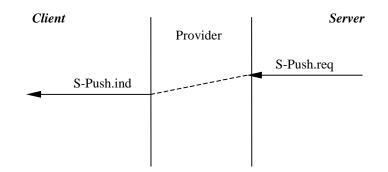


Figure 13: Non-confirmed Data Push

Delivery of information to the peer is not assured, so the following scenario is also permitted:

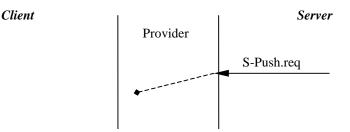


Figure 14: Failed Non-confirmed Data Push

6.3.3.10 S-ConfirmedPush

This primitive is used send unsolicited information from the server within the session context in a confirmed manner. It is part of the *Confirmed Push* facility.

Prin	nitive	S-ConfirmedPush			
Parameter		req	ind	res	cnf
Server Push Id		Μ	_	_	M(=)
Client Push Id		_	М	M(=)	_
Push Headers		0	C(=)	_	_
Push Body		0	C(=)	_	_
Acknowledgement Headers		_	_	0	P(=)

The service user in the server can use Server Push Id to distinguish between pending pushes.

The service user in the client can use Client Push Id to distinguish between pending pushes.

If the location of the pushed entity needs to be indicated, the **Content-Location** header [RFC2068] SHOULD be included in *Push Headers* to ensure interoperability.

Acknowledgement Headers MAY be used to return some information back to the server. However, the provider MAY ignore this parameter or support the transfer of a very limited amount of data.

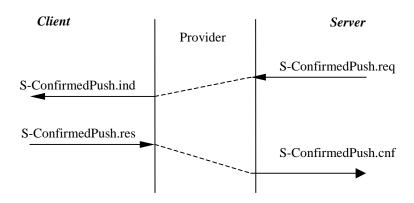


Figure 15: Confirmed Data Push

6.3.3.11 S-PushAbort

This primitive is used to reject a push operation. It is part of the Confirmed Push facility.

	Primitive	S-PushAbort	
Parameter		req	ind
Client Push Id		М	_
Server Push Id		_	М
Reason		М	M(=)

The service user in the client can use *Client Push Id* to distinguish between pending pushes. It must match the *Client Push Id* of a previous S-ConfirmedPush.indication.

The service user in the server can use *Server Push Id* to distinguish, which push was aborted. It will match the *Server Push Id* of a previous S-ConfirmedPush.request, which has not yet been confirmed or indicated as aborted.

Reason is the reason for aborting the push. It will either be the value provided by the peer service user, or a reason code from the service provider.

The following figure shows the behaviour of S-PushAbort. It can be requested only after an S-ConfirmedPush.indication, replacing an S-ConfirmedPush.response.

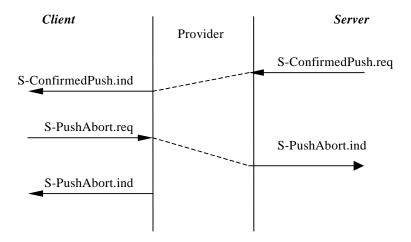


Figure 16: Aborted Confirmed Data Push

S-PushAbort.indication can also occur without the user's request as the result of a provider-initiated abort.

6.3.4 Constraints on Using the Service Primitives

The following tables define the permitted primitive sequences on the service interface. The client and server have separate tables, since the service is asymmetric.

Only the permitted primitives are listed on the rows; the layer prefix is omitted for brevity. The table entries are interpreted as follows:

Entry:	Description
-	The indication or confirm primitive cannot occur.
N/A	Invoking this primitive is an error. The appropriate action is a local implementation matter.
STATE_NAME	Primitive is permitted and moves the service interface view to the named state.
[1]	If the number of outstanding transactions is equal to the selected Maximum Outstanding Method Requests
	value, invoking this primitive is an error. The appropriate action is a local implementation matter: delivery
	of the primitive might be delayed, until it is permitted.
[2]	If there is no outstanding transaction with a matching Transaction Id, invoking this primitive is an error.
	The appropriate action is a local implementation matter.
[3]	If the <i>Confirmed Push</i> facility has not been selected during capability negotiation, invoking this primitive is
	an error. Likewise, if there is no outstanding push with a matching Push Id. The appropriate action is a
	local implementation matter.
[4]	Possible only if the <i>Push</i> facility has been selected during capability negotiation.
[5]	Possible only if the Confirmed Push facility has been selected during capability negotiation.
[6]	If the <i>Push</i> facility has not been selected during capability negotiation, invoking this primitive is an error.
	The appropriate action is a local implementation matter.
[7]	If the <i>Confirmed Push</i> facility has not been selected during capability negotiation, invoking this primitive is
	an error. The appropriate action is a local implementation matter.
[8]	If the <i>Confirmed Push</i> facility has not been selected during capability negotiation, invoking this primitive is
	an error. The appropriate action is a local implementation matter. Also if the number of outstanding pushes
	is equal to the selected Maximum Outstanding Push Requests value, invoking this primitive is an error. The
	appropriate action is a local implementation matter: delivery of the primitive might be delayed, until it is
	permitted.
[9]	If the Session Resume facility has not been selected during capability negotiation, invoking this primitive is
	an error. The appropriate action is a local implementation matter.
[10]	Possible only if the Session Resume facility has been selected during capability negotiation.

Table 2: Table Entry Legend

CLIENT	Session States						
S-Primitive	NULL	CONNECTING	CONNECTED	CLOSING	SUSPENDING	SUSPENDED	RESUMING
Connect.req	CONNECTING	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Disconnect.req	N/A	CLOSING	CLOSING	N/A	CLOSING	CLOSING	CLOSING
MethodInvoke.req	N/A	[1]	[1]	N/A	N/A	N/A	[1]
MethodResult.res	N/A	N/A	[2]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MethodAbort.req	N/A	[2]	[2]	N/A	N/A	N/A	[2]
ConfirmedPush.res	N/A	N/A	[3]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
PushAbort.req	N/A	N/A	[3]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Suspend.req	N/A	N/A	SUSPENDING [9]	N/A	N/A	N/A	SUSPENDING [9]
Resume.req	N/A	N/A	RESUMING [9]	N/A	RESUMING [9]	RESUMING [9]	N/A
Connect.cnf	_	CONNECTED	_	_	_	_	_
Exception.ind	_	CONNECTING	CONNECTED	CLOSING	SUSPENDING	_	RESUMING
Disconnect.ind	_	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL
MethodInvoke.cnf	-	-	CONNECTED	_	-	-	_
MethodResult.ind	_	_	CONNECTED	_	-	-	-
MethodAbort.ind	-	CONNECTING	CONNECTED	CLOSING	SUSPENDING	-	RESUMING
Push.ind	-	_	CONNECTED [4]	CLOSING [4]	SUSPENDING [4]	_	_
ConfirmedPush.ind	-	_	CONNECTED [5]	-	-	-	_
PushAbort.ind	-	_	CONNECTED [5]	_	SUSPENDING [5]	_	_
Suspend.ind	-	_	SUSPENDED [10]	-	SUSPENDED [10]	-	SUSPENDED [10]
Resume.cnf	-	_	_	-	_	-	CONNECTED [10]

Table 3: Permitted Client Session Layer Primitives

SERVER	Session States						
S-Primitive	NULL	CONNECTING	CONNECTED	CLOSING	SUSPENDING	SUSPENDED	RESUMING
Connect.res	N/A	CONNECTED	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Disconnect.req	N/A	CLOSING	CLOSING	N/A	CLOSING	NULL	CLOSING
MethodInvoke.res	N/A	N/A	[2]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MethodResult.req	N/A	N/A	[2]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MethodAbort.req	N/A	N/A	[2]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Push.req	N/A	N/A	[6]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
ConfirmedPush.req	N/A	N/A	[8]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Resume.res	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	CONNECTED
							[9]
Connect.ind	CONNECTING	-	-	-	-	-	-
Exception.ind	-	CONNECTING	CONNECTED	CLOSING	SUSPENDING		RESUMING
Disconnect.ind	-	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL
MethodInvoke.ind	-	—	CONNECTED	-	-	-	-
MethodResult.cnf	-	-	CONNECTED	_	-	-	-
MethodAbort.ind	-	-	CONNECTED	CLOSING	SUSPENDING	-	_
ConfirmedPush.cnf	-	-	CONNECTED	-	CONNECTED	-	-
			[5]		[5]		
PushAbort.ind	-	-	CONNECTED	CLOSING	CONNECTED	-	-
			[5]	[5]	[5]		
Suspend.ind	_	_	SUSPENDED	-	SUSPENDED	_	SUSPENDED
			[10]		[10]		[10]
Resume.ind	-	-	RESUMING	_	RESUMING	RESUMING	-
			[10]			[10]	

Table 4: Permitted Server Session Layer Primitives

The life cycles of transactions in the client and the server are defined by the following two tables. Once again, only the permitted primitives are listed on the rows.

Table 5: Permitted Client Transaction Primitives

CLIENT	Transaction States					
S-Primitive	NULL	REQUESTING	WAITING	COMPLETING	ABORTING	
MethodInvoke.req	REQUESTING	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
MethodResult.res	N/A	N/A	N/A	NULL	N/A	
MethodAbort.req	N/A	ABORTING	ABORTING	ABORTING	N/A	
MethodInvoke.cnf	-	WAITING	-	-	-	
MethodResult.ind	-	-	COMPLETING	-	-	
MethodAbort.ind	-	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	

SERVER	Transaction States					
S-Primitive	NULL	REQUESTING	PROCESSING	REPLYING	ABORTING	
MethodInvoke.res	N/A	PROCESSING	N/A	N/A	N/A	
MethodResult.req	N/A	N/A	REPLYING	N/A	N/A	
MethodAbort.req	N/A	ABORTING	ABORTING	ABORTING	N/A	
MethodInvoke.ind	REQUESTING	-	-	-	-	
MethodResult.cnf	-	-	-	NULL	-	
MethodAbort.ind	-	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	

Table 6: Permitted Server Transaction Primitives

The life cycles of confirmed push transactions in the server and the client are defined by the following two tables. Once again, only the permitted primitives are listed on the rows.

Table 7: Permitted Server Confirmed Push Primitives

SERVER	Confirmed Push States		
S-Primitive	NULL	PUSHING	
ConfirmedPush.req	PUSHING	N/A	
ConfirmedPush.cnf	-	NULL	
PushAbort.ind	-	NULL	

Table 8: Permitted Client Confirmed Push Primitives

CLIENT	Confirmed Push States				
S-Primitive	NULL	ABORTING			
ConfirmedPush.res	N/A	NULL	N/A		
PushAbort.req	N/A	ABORTING	N/A		
ConfirmedPush.ind	RECEIVING	-	-		
PushAbort.ind	-	NULL	NULL		

6.3.5 Error Handling

The connection-mode session service provider uses a four-tier strategy in handling errors and other exceptional conditions:

- 1. If an exceptional condition is not related to any particular transaction, it is reported through the *Exception Reporting* facility without disturbing the overall state of the session.
- 2. Errors related to a particular transaction cause a method or push abort indication with the appropriate reason code without disturbing the overall state of the session.
- 3. Conditions which prevent the session peers from communicating with each other will cause suspend indications, if the *Session Resume* facility is selected. Otherwise they will cause a disconnection to be indicated.
- 4. Other errors will cause a session disconnect to be indicated with the appropriate reason code.

Certain race conditions may cause the abort reason code of a method or push transaction to be reported as DISCONNECT, but this must not be interpreted as indicating that the session has been disconnected; session disconnection is indicated always only using the S-Disconnect primitive.

6.4 Connectionless Session Service

6.4.1 Overview

The connectionless session service provides non-confirmed facilities, which can be used to exchange content entities between layer users. The provided service is asymmetric in a manner similar to the connection-mode service.

Only the Method Invocation and Push facilities are available. The facilities are non-confirmed, so the communication between the peer entities MAY be unreliable.

6.4.2 Service Primitives

The service primitives are defined using types from the Service Parameter Types section.

6.4.2.1 S-Unit-MethodInvoke

This primitive is used to invoke a method in the server in a non-confirmed manner. It is part of the Method Invocation facility.

	Primitive	S-Unit-MethodInvoke	
Parameter		req	ind
Server Address		М	M(=)
Client Address		М	M(=)
Transaction Id		М	M(=)
Method		М	M(=)
Request URI		М	M(=)
Request Headers		0	C(=)
Request Body		С	C(=)

Server Address identifies the peer to which the request is to be sent.

Client Address identifies the originator of the request.

The service users MAY use *Transaction Id* to distinguish between transactions. It is communicated transparently from service user to service user.

Method identifies the requested operation, which must be one of the HTTP methods [RFC2068].

Request URI specifies the entity to which the operation applies.

Request Headers are a list of attribute information semantically equivalent to HTTP headers [RFC2068].

Request Body is the data associated with the request, which is semantically equivalent to HTTP entity body. If the request *Method* is not defined to allow an entity-body, *Request Body* MUST NOT be provided [RFC2068].

6.4.2.2 S-Unit-MethodResult

This primitive is used to return the result of a method invocation from the server in a non-confirmed manner. It is part of the Method Invocation facility.

	Primitive	S-Unit-MethodResult	
Parameter		req	ind
Client Address		М	M(=)
Server Address		М	M(=)
Transaction Id		М	M(=)
Status		М	M(=)
Response Headers		0	C(=)
Response Body		С	C(=)

Client Address identifies the peer to which the result is to be sent.

Server Address identifies the originator of the result.

The service users MAY use *Transaction Id* to distinguish between transactions.

Status is semantically equivalent to an HTTP status code [RFC2068].

Response Headers are a list of attribute information semantically equivalent to HTTP headers [RFC2068].

Response Body is the data associated with the response, which is semantically equivalent to an HTTP entity body. If *Status* indicates an error, *Response Body* SHOULD provide additional information about the error in a form, which can be shown to the human user.

6.4.2.3 S-Unit-Push

This primitive is used to send unsolicited information from the server to the client in a non-confirmed manner. It is part of the Push facility.

	Primitive	S-Unit-Push	
Parameter		req ind	
Client Address		М	M(=)
Server Address		М	M(=)
Push Id		М	M(=)
Push Headers		0	C(=)
Push Body		0	C(=)

Client Address identifies the peer to which the push is to be sent.

Server Address identifies the originator of the push.

The service users MAY use *Push Id* to distinguish between pushes.

If the location of the pushed entity needs to be indicated, the **Content-Location** header [RFC2068] SHOULD be included in *Push Headers* to ensure interoperability.

6.4.3 Constraints on Using the Service Primitives

The service user MAY invoke the permitted request primitives at any time, once the underlying layers have been prepared for communication. This is expected to occur through the appropriate interactions with management entities, which are not part of this specification. A failure to do so is an error, and the appropriate action is a local implementation matter.

The service provider SHOULD deliver an indication primitive when it is notified that the corresponding request primitive has been invoked by a peer user entity.

The following table defines the primitives, which the client and server entities are permitted to invoke.

Generic Name	Туре			Description	
	req	ind	res	cnf	
S-Unit-MethodInvoke	C	S	-	-	Invoke a method in the server with no confirmation
S-Unit-MethodResult	S	C	-	-	Return response from the server with no confirmation
S-Unit-Push	S	C	-	-	Push content with no confirmation
Primitive may not oc	- – Primitive may not occur				
C – Primitive may occur on the client					
S – Primitive may occur	on the s	erver			

Table 9: Connectionless service primitives

A failure to conform to these restrictions is an error. The appropriate action is a local implementation matter.

6.4.4 Error Handling

If a request cannot be communicated to the provider peer, the connectionless session service provider will not generate any indication primitive. Detection of exceptional conditions and appropriate actions are a local implementation matter.

7 WSP/B Protocol Operations

This section describes the protocols used between session service peers to realise functions described in the abstract service interface definition.

7.1 Connection-Mode WSP/B

This section describes the operations of WSP/B over the WTP transaction service [WAPWTP].

7.1.1 Utilisation of WTP

The WTP transaction classes utilised by each WSP facility is summarised in Table 10.

WTP Transaction Classes
Class 0 and Class 2
Class 2
Class 0 and Class 2
Class 0
Class 1

Table 10. Utilisation of WTP

A connection-mode WSP/B client MUST support initiation of WTP Class 0 and Class 2 transactions. The client SHOULD accept Class 0 transaction invocations from the server, so that the server is able to disconnect the session explicitly. If the client is to support the push facilities, it MUST accept transactions in the class, which the table above defines to be used by each push facility.

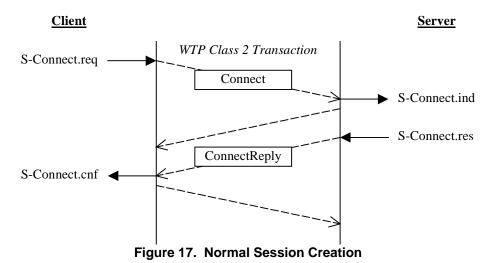
7.1.2 Protocol Description

The following diagrams illustrate the use of a transaction service by the session facilities. The specific details of how the protocol works are expressed in the state tables in section 7.1.6, "State Tables", below. Any discrepancy between the diagrams and the state tables shall be decided in favour of the state tables.

The dashed arrows represent the WTP protocol messages carrying acknowledgements and WSP/B PDUs as their data; the messages indicated by parallel arrows are likely to be concatenated into a single transport datagram.

7.1.2.1 Session Management Facility

Normal session creation proceeds without any error or redirection as shown in Figure 17.



Session creation wherein the client is redirected to another server is shown in Figure 18.

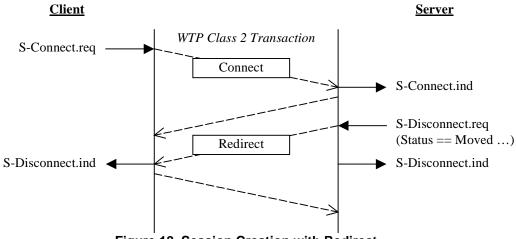


Figure 18. Session Creation with Redirect

Session creation wherein the server session user refuses to accept the session is shown in Figure 19.

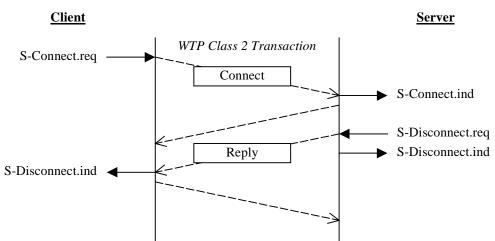
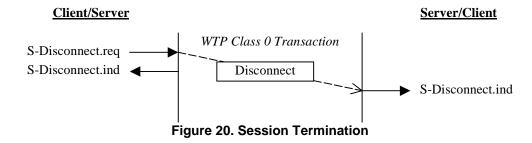


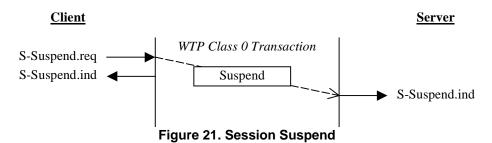
Figure 19. Session Creation with Server Error

Session termination is shown in Figure 20.



7.1.2.2 Session Resume Facility

Session suspend is shown in Figure 21.



When session resume succeeds, it proceeds as shown in Figure 22.

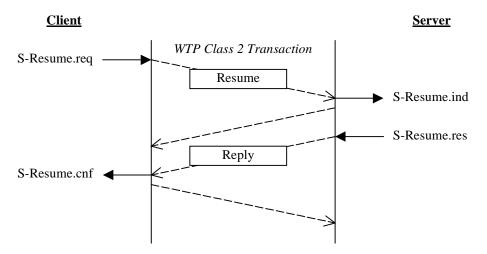


Figure 22. Normal Session Resume

A session resume wherein the server session user refuses to resume the session is shown in Figure 23.

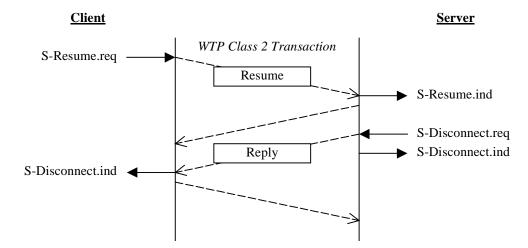
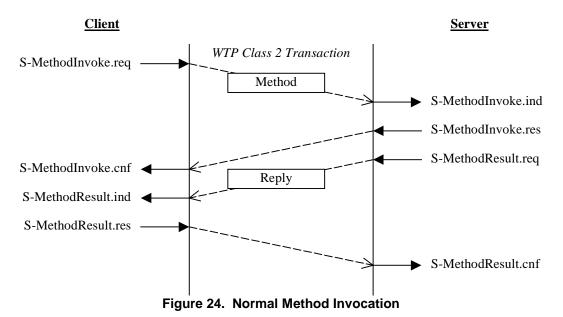


Figure 23. Session Resume with Server Error

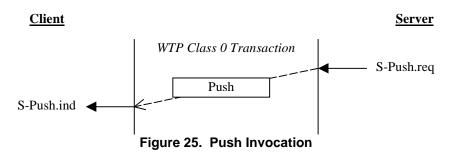
7.1.2.3 Method Invocation Facility

A method invocation is shown in Figure 24.



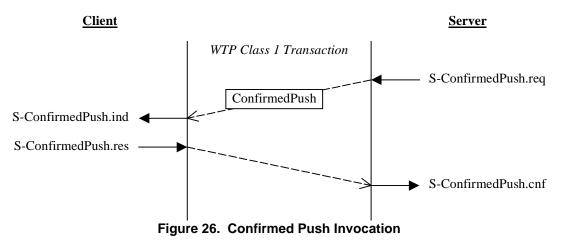
7.1.2.4 Push Facility

An unconfirmed push is shown in Figure 25.



7.1.2.5 Confirmed Push Facility

A confirmed push is shown in Figure 26.



7.1.3 Protocol Parameters

The protocol state machine uses the following parameters.

7.1.3.1 Maximum Receive Unit (MRU)

The Maximum Receive Unit (MRU) is the size of the largest SDU the session layer can accept from the underlying service provider. The initial value is set to the default SDU sizes as specified in section 8.3.3, "Capability Defaults", below. The value can be modified during capability negotiation.

7.1.3.2 Maximum Outstanding Method Requests (MOM)

The Maximum Outstanding Method Requests (MOM) is the number of method transactions that can be outstanding at a given time. The initial value is set to the default MOM as specified in section 8.3.3, "Capability Defaults", below. The value can be modified during capability negotiation.

7.1.3.3 Maximum Outstanding Push Requests (MOP)

The Maximum Outstanding Push Requests (MOP) is the number of push transactions that can be outstanding at a given time. The initial value is set to the default MOP as specified in section 8.3.3, "Capability Defaults", below. The value can be modified during capability negotiation.

7.1.4 Variables

The protocol state machine uses the following variables.

7.1.4.1 N_Methods

N_Methods keeps track of the number of method transactions in process in the server.

7.1.4.2 N_Pushes

N_Pushes keeps track of the number of push transactions in process in the client.

7.1.4.3 Session_ID

Session_ID saves the session identifier assigned by the server in both the client and the server. The method used to assign the identifiers must be chosen so that a session identifier value cannot be repeated during the lifetime of a message in the used transport network; otherwise the session management logic may be confused.

7.1.5 Event Processing

Sessions are associated with a peer address quadruplet, ie, the client address, client port, server address, and server port. Incoming transactions are assigned to a particular session based on the peer address quadruplet. As a consequence, the peer address quadruplet is the true unique protocol-level identifier of a session. There can be only one session bound to a peer address quadruplet at a time.

In order to create a new session for a particular peer address quadruplet when one already appears to exist, the server session provider must allow for the creation of a *proto-session*. This is a second, constrained instance of a session that is used to process the session creation transaction on the server, ie, the Connect and ConnectReply PDUs; this is detailed in the table below.

Indications and confirmations from the transaction layer are termed *events*. Each event is validated and then processed according to the protocol state tables. The protocol state tables also use *pseudo-events* to trigger state changes within the protocol implementation itself. Pseudo-events are generated by the actions in protocol state machines or by the implementation itself, whenever this is considered appropriate. For instance, they may represent the effect of a management operation, which destroys a session that has been inactive for too long a period.

Pseudo-Event	Description
Abort	Abort a method or push transaction
Release	Allow a method transaction to proceed
Suspend	Suspend the session
Disconnect	Disconnect the session

These pseudo-events are identified by names in *Italics*, and are defined as follows:

Incoming transaction invocations are validated before being processed according to the state tables; the following tests are performed; and if no action is taken, the event is processed according to the state table.

Test	Action
TR-Invoke.ind with SDU size > MRU	TR-Abort.req(MRUEXCEEDED) the TR-Invoke
Class 2 TR-Invoke.ind, on server, Connect PDU	a) Create a new proto-session that is responsible for processing the remainder of the Connect transaction.
	b) The proto-session signals S-Connect.indication to the session user.
	c) If the session user accepts the new session by invoking
	S-Connect.response, the proto-session is turned into a new session for
	the peer address quadruplet. Disconnect is invoked on any old
	sessions bound to that quadruplet.
Class 2 TR-Invoke.ind, on server, Resume PDU	Pass to session identified by the SessionId in Resume PDU instead of the
	session identified by the peer address quadruplet.
	If the SessionId is not valid, ie, the session does not exist,
	TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the TR-Invoke.
Class 1-2 TR-Invoke.ind, no session matching the peer	TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the TR-Invoke
address quadruplet	
Class 1-2 TR-Invoke.ind PDU not handled by state	TR-Abort.req(PROTOERR) the TR-Invoke
tables	
Class 0 TR-Invoke.ind PDU not handled by state tables	Ignore
Any other event not handled by state tables	TR-Abort.req(PROTOERR) if it is some other transaction event than abort
	Abort(PROTOERR) all method and push transactions
	S-Disconnect.ind(PROTOERR)

The service provided by the underlying transaction layer is such that a protocol entity cannot reliably detect that the peer has discarded the session state information, unless a method or push transaction is in progress. This may eventually result in a large number of sessions, which no longer have any peer protocol entity. The implementation SHOULD be able to *Disconnect* sessions, which are considered to be in such a state.

7.1.6 State Tables

The following state tables define the actions of connection-mode WSP/B. Because multiple methods and pushes can occur at the same time, there are three state tables defined for client and server: one for the session states, one for the states of a method and one for the states of a push.

The state names used in the tables are logically completely separate from the states defined for the abstract service interface, although the names may be similar. Typically a particular state at the service interface maps into a protocol state with the same name, but a state also may map into multiple or no protocol states at all.

A single *Event* may have several entries in the *Condition* column. In such a case the conditions are expected to be evaluated row by row from top to bottom with the most specific condition being the first one. A single *Condition* entry may contain several conditions separated with a comma ",". In this case all of these have to be satisfied in order for the condition to be true.

7.1.6.1 Client Session State Tables

The following tables show the session states and event processing that occur on the client when using a transaction service.

Client Session NULL				
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State	
S-Connect.req		<i>Disconnect</i> any other session for the peer address quadruplet. TR-Invoke.req(Class 2, Connect)	CONNECTING	
		$N_PUSHES = 0$		

	Client Session CONNECTING				
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State		
S-Disconnect.req		TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the Connect <i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all outstanding method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(USERREQ)	NULL		
Disconnect		TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the Connect <i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all outstanding method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL		
S-MethodInvoke.req		Start a new method transaction with this event (see method state table)			
S-MethodAbort.req		See method state table			
Suspend		TR-Abort.req(SUSPEND) the Connect <i>Abort</i> (SUSPEND) all method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(SUSPEND)	NULL		
TR-Invoke.ind	Class 1, ConfirmedPush PDU	TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the TR-Invoke			
TR-Result.ind	Connect transaction, SDU size > MRU	TR-Abort.req(MRUEXCEEDED) the Connect <i>Abort</i> (CONNECTERR) all outstanding method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(MRUEXCEEDED)	NULL		
	Connect transaction, ConnectReply PDU	TR-Result.res Session_ID = SessionId from PDU S-Connect.cnf	CONNECTED		
	Connect transaction, Redirect PDU	TR-Result.res Abort(CONNECTERR) all method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(Redirect parameters)	NULL		
	Connect transaction, Reply PDU	TR-Result.res Abort(CONNECTERR) all method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(Reply parameters)	NULL		
	Other	TR-Abort.req(PROTOERR) <i>Abort</i> (CONNECTERR) all outstanding method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(PROTOERR)	NULL		
TR-Invoke.cnf	Connect transaction	Ignore			
	Method transaction	Abort(DISCONNECT) method transaction			
TR-Abort.ind	Connect transaction	Abort(CONNECTERR) all outstanding method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(abort reason)	NULL		
	Method transaction	See method state table			

	Client Session CONNECTED				
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State		
S-Disconnect.req		Abort(DISCONNECT) all method and push transactions TR-Invoke.req(Class 0, Disconnect) S-Disconnect.ind(USERREQ)	NULL		
Disconnect		Abort(DISCONNECT) all method and push transactions S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL		
S-MethodInvoke.req		Start a new method transaction with this event			
S-MethodResult.res		See method state table			
S-MethodAbort.req		See method state table			
S-ConfirmedPush.res		See push state table			
S-PushAbort.req		See push state table			
S-Suspend.req		Abort(SUSPEND) all method and push transactions TR-Invoke.req(Class 0, Suspend) S-Suspend.ind(USERREQ)	SUSPENDED		
Suspend	Session Resume facility disabled	Abort(SUSPEND) all method and push transactions S-Disconnect.ind(SUSPEND)	NULL		
	Session Resume facility enabled	Abort(SUSPEND) all method and push transactions S-Suspend.ind(SUSPEND)	SUSPENDED		
S-Resume.req		Abort(USERREQ) all method and push transactions Bind session to the new peer address quadruplet TR-Invoke(Class 2, Resume)	RESUMING		
TR-Invoke.ind	Class 0, Disconnect PDU	Abort(DISCONNECT) all method and push transactions S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL		
	Class 0, Push PDU, Push facility enabled	S-Push.ind			
	Class 1, ConfirmedPush PDU, Confirmed Push facility enabled	Start a new push transaction with this event			
TR-Result.ind	Method transaction	See method state table			
TR-Invoke.cnf	Method transaction	See method state table			
TR-Abort.ind	Method transaction	See method state table			
	Push transaction	See push state table			

	Client Session SUSPENDED				
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State		
S-Disconnect.req		S-Disconnect.ind(USERREQ)	NULL		
Disconnect		S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL		
S-Resume.req		TR-Invoke.req(Class 2, Resume)	RESUMING		
TR-Invoke.ind	Class 0, Disconnect PDU	S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL		
	Class 1, ConfirmedPush PDU, Confirmed Push facility enabled	TR-Abort.req(SUSPEND) the TR-Invoke			
TR-Invoke.cnf		Ignore			
TR-Abort.ind		Ignore			

	Client Session RESUMING				
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State		
S-Disconnect.req		TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the Resume <i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all outstanding method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(USERREQ)	NULL		
Disconnect		TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the Resume <i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all outstanding method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL		
S-MethodInvoke.req		Start a new method transaction with this event (see method state table)			
S-MethodAbort.req		See method state table			
S-Suspend.req		TR-Abort.req(SUSPEND) the Resume <i>Abort</i> (SUSPEND) all outstanding method transactions TR-Invoke.req(Class 0, Suspend) S-Suspend.ind(USERREQ)	SUSPENDED		
Suspend		TR-Abort.req(SUSPEND) the Resume <i>Abort</i> (SUSPEND) all outstanding method transactions S-Suspend.ind(SUSPEND)	SUSPENDED		
TR-Invoke.ind	Class 0, Disconnect PDU	TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the Resume <i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all outstanding method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL		
	Class 1, ConfirmedPush PDU, Confirmed Push facility enabled	TR-Abort.req(SUSPEND) the TR-Invoke			
TR-Result.ind	Resume transaction, SDU size > MRU	TR-Abort.req(MRUEXCEEDED) the TR-Result <i>Abort</i> (SUSPEND) all outstanding method transactions S-Suspend.ind(MRUEXCEEDED)	NULL		
	Resume transaction, Reply PDU (status == OK)	TR-Result.res S-Resume.cnf	CONNECTED		
	Resume transaction, Reply PDU (status != OK)	TR-Result.res <i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all outstanding method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(Reply parameters)	NULL		
	Other	TR-Abort.req(PROTOERR) the TR-Result <i>Abort</i> (SUSPEND) all outstanding method transactions S-Suspend.ind(PROTOERR)	SUSPENDED		
TR-Invoke.cnf	Resume transaction	Ignore			
	Method transaction	Abort(SUSPEND) method transaction			
TR-Abort.ind	Resume transaction, Reason == DISCONNECT	Abort(DISCONNECT) all outstanding method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL		
	Resume transaction	Abort(SUSPEND) all outstanding method transactions S-Suspend.ind(abort reason)	SUSPENDED		
	Method transaction	See method state table			

7.1.6.2 Client Method State Table

The following tables show the method states and event processing that occur on the client when using a transaction service.

Client Method NULL				
EventConditionsActionNext State				
S-MethodInvoke.req		TR-Invoke.req(Class 2, Method)	REQUESTING	
		Note: "Method" means either the Get or Post PDU using the		
		PDU type assigned to the particular method.		

Client Method REQUESTING				
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State	
S-MethodAbort.req		TR-Abort.req(PEERREQ) the Method S-MethodAbort.ind(USERREQ)	NULL	
Abort		TR-Abort.req(abort reason) the Method S-MethodAbort.ind(USERREQ)	NULL	
TR-Invoke.cnf		S-MethodInvoke.cnf	WAITING	
TR-Abort.ind	Reason == DISCONNECT	Disconnect the session	NULL	
	Reason == SUSPEND	Suspend the session	NULL	
	Other	S-MethodAbort.ind(abort reason)	NULL	

Client Method WAITING				
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State	
S-MethodAbort.req		TR-Abort.req(PEERREQ) the Method S-MethodAbort.ind(USERREQ)	NULL	
Abort		TR-Abort.req(abort reason) the Method S-MethodAbort.ind(abort reason)	NULL	
TR-Result.ind	SDU size > MRU	TR-Abort.req(MRUEXCEEDED) S-MethodAbort.ind(MRUEXCEEDED)	NULL	
	Reply PDU	S-MethodResult.ind	COMPLETING	
	Other	TR-Abort.req(PROTOERR) S-MethodAbort.ind(PROTOERR)	NULL	
TR-Abort.ind	Reason == DISCONNECT	Disconnect the session	NULL	
	Reason == SUSPEND	Suspend the session	NULL	
	Other	S-MethodAbort.ind(abort reason)	NULL	

Client Method COMPLETING			
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State
S-MethodResult.res		TR-Result.res(Exit Info = Acknowledgement Headers) Note:support for Acknowledgement Headers is optional	NULL
S-MethodAbort.req		TR-Abort.req(PEERREQ) the Method S-MethodAbort.ind(USERREQ)	NULL
Abort		TR-Abort.req(abort reason) the Method S-MethodAbort.ind(abort reason)	NULL
TR-Abort.ind	Reason == DISCONNECT	Disconnect the session	NULL
	Reason == SUSPEND	Suspend the session	NULL
	Other	S-MethodAbort.ind(abort reason)	NULL

7.1.6.3 Client Push State Table

The following tables show the push states and event processing that occur on the client when using a transaction service.

Client Push NULL			
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State
TR-Invoke.ind	Class 1, ConfirmedPush PDU, N_PUSHES == MOP	TR-Abort.req(MOREXCEEDED) the TR-Invoke	NULL
	Class 1, ConfirmedPush PDU, N_PUSHES < MOP	Increment N_PUSHES S-ConfirmedPush.ind	RECEIVING

Client Push RECEIVING			
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State
S-ConfirmedPush.res		TR-Invoke.res(Exit Info = Acknowledgement Headers) Note:support for Acknowledgement Headers is optional Decrement N_PUSHES	NULL
S-PushAbort.req		TR-Abort.req(abort reason) the TR-Invoke Decrement N_PUSHES	NULL
Abort		TR-Abort.req(abort reason) the TR-Invoke Decrement N_PUSHES	NULL
TR-Abort.ind	Reason == DISCONNECT	Disconnect the session	NULL
	Reason == SUSPEND	Suspend the session	NULL
	Other	S-PushAbort.ind(abort reason) Decrement N_PUSHES	NULL

7.1.6.4 Server Session State Table

The following tables show the session states and event processing that occur on the server when using a transaction service.

Server Session NULL			
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State
TR-Invoke.ind	Class 2,	TR-Invoke.res	CONNECTING
	Connect	$N_Methods = 0$	
		S-Connect.ind	

	Server Session CONNECTING			
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State	
S-Connect.res		Disconnect any other session for this peer address quadruplet. Assign a Session_ID for this session. TR-Result.req(ConnectReply) Release all method transactions in HOLDING state	CONNECTING_2	
S-Disconnect.req	Reason == Moved Permanently <i>or</i> Moved Temporarily	TR-Result.req(Redirect) <i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(USERREQ)	TERMINATING	
	Other	TR-Result.req(Reply(status = reason)) <i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(USERREQ)	TERMINATING	
Disconnect		TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the Connect transaction <i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL	
Suspend		TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the Connect transaction NULL Abort(DISCONNECT) all method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(SUSPEND)		
TR-Invoke.ind	Class 2, Method	Start new method transaction (see method state table)		
	Class 2, Resume	TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the TR-Invoke		
TR-Abort.ind		Abort(DISCONNECT) all method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(abort reason)	NULL	

Server Session TERMINATING				
EventConditionsActionNext State				
Disconnect		TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) remaining transport transaction	NULL	
Suspend		TR-Abort.req(SUSPEND) remaining transport transaction	NULL	
TR-Result.cnf		Ignore	NULL	
TR-Abort.ind		Ignore	NULL	

Server Session CONNECTING_2			
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State
S-Disconnect.req		TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the Connect transaction <i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all method and push transactions TR-Invoke.req(Class 0, Disconnect) S-Disconnect.ind(USERREQ)	NULL
Disconnect		TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the Connect transaction <i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all method and push transactions S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL
S-MethodInvoke.res		See method state table	
S-MethodResult.req		See method state table	
S-Push.req		TR-Invoke.req(Class 0, Push)	
S-ConfirmedPush.req		Start new push transaction (see push state table)	
Suspend	Session Resume facility disabled	TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the Connect transaction <i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all method and push transactions S-Disconnect.ind(SUSPEND)	NULL
	Session Resume facility enabled	TR-Abort.req(SUSPEND) the Connect transaction <i>Abort</i> (SUSPEND) all method and push transactions S-Suspend.ind(SUSPEND)	SUSPENDED
TR-Invoke.ind	Class 2,	Start new method transaction (see method state table)	
	Method	Release the new method transaction	
	Class 2, Resume, Session Resume facility disabled	TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the TR-Invoke	
	Class 2, Resume, Session Resume facility enabled	TR-Invoke.res TR-Abort.req(RESUME) the Connect transaction <i>Abort</i> (RESUME) all method and push transactions S-Suspend.ind(RESUME) S-Resume.ind	RESUMING
	Class 0, Disconnect	TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the Connect transaction <i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all method and push transactions S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL
	Class 0, Suspend, Session Resume facility enabled	TR-Abort.req(SUSPEND) the Connect transaction Abort(SUSPEND) all method and push transactions S-Suspend.ind(SUSPEND)	SUSPENDED
TR-Invoke.cnf	Push transaction	See push state table	
TR-Result.cnf	Connect transaction		CONNECTED
	Method transaction	See method state table	
TR-Abort.ind	Connect transaction	<i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all method and push transactions S-Disconnect.ind(abort reason)	NULL
	Push transaction	See push state table	
	Method transaction	See method state table	

Server Session CONNECTED			
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State
S-Disconnect.req		Abort(DISCONNECT) all method and push transactions TR-Invoke.req(Class 0, Disconnect) S-Disconnect.ind(USERREQ)	NULL
Disconnect		Abort(DISCONNECT) all method and push transactions S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL
S-MethodInvoke.res		See method state table	
S-MethodResult.req		See method state table	
S-Push.req		TR-Invoke.req(Class 0, Push)	
S-ConfirmedPush.req		Start new push transaction (see push state table)	
Suspend	Session Resume facility disabled	Abort(SUSPEND) all method and push transactions S-Disconnect.ind(SUSPEND)	NULL
	Session Resume facility enabled	Abort(SUSPEND) all method and push transactions S-Suspend.ind(SUSPEND)	SUSPENDED
TR-Invoke.ind	Class 2,	Start new method transaction (see method state table)	
	Method	Release the new method transaction	
	Class 2, Resume, Session Resume facility disabled	TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the TR-Invoke	
	Class 2, Resume, Session Resume facility enabled	TR-Invoke.res <i>Abort</i> (RESUME) all method and push transactions S-Suspend.ind(RESUME) S-Resume.ind	RESUMING
	Class 0, Disconnect	Abort(DISCONNECT) all method and push transactions S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL
	Class 0, Suspend, Session Resume facility enabled	Abort(SUSPEND) all method and push transactions S-Suspend.ind(SUSPEND)	SUSPENDED
TR-Invoke.cnf	Push transaction	See push state table	
TR-Result.cnf	Method transaction	See method state table	
TR-Abort.ind	Push transaction	See push state table	
	Method transaction	See method state table	

Server Session SUSPENDED			
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State
S-Disconnect.req		S-Disconnect.ind(USERREQ)	NULL
Disconnect		S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL
TR-Invoke.ind	Class 2, Method	TR-Abort.req(SUSPEND) the TR-Invoke	
	Class 2, Resume	TR-Invoke.res S-Resume.ind	RESUMING
	Class 0, Disconnect	S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL

Server Session RESUMING			
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State
S-Disconnect.req		TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the Resume transaction <i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all method transactions TR-Invoke.req(Class 0, Disconnect) S-Disconnect.ind(USERREQ)	NULL
Disconnect		TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the Resume transaction <i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL
S-Resume.res		Disconnect any other session for the peer address quadruplet. Bind session to new peer address quadruplet TR-Result.req(Reply) Release all method transactions in HOLDING state	RESUMING_2
Suspend		TR-Abort.req(SUSPEND) the Resume transaction <i>Abort</i> (SUSPEND) all method transactions S-Suspend.ind(SUSPEND)	SUSPENDED
TR-Invoke.ind	Class 2, Method	Start new method transaction (see method state table)	
	Class 2, Resume	TR-Invoke.res TR-Abort.req(RESUME) the old Resume transaction <i>Abort</i> (RESUME) all method transactions S-Suspend.ind(RESUME) S-Resume.ind	
	Class 0, Suspend	TR-Abort.req(SUSPEND) the Resume transaction <i>Abort</i> (SUSPEND) all method transactions S-Suspend.ind(SUSPEND)	SUSPENDED
	Class 0, Disconnect	TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the Resume transaction <i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all method transactions S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL
TR-Abort.ind	Resume transaction	Abort(SUSPEND) all method transactions S-Suspend.ind(abort reason)	SUSPENDED

Server Session RESUMING_2			
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State
S-Disconnect.req		TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the Resume transaction <i>Abort</i> (DISCONNECT) all method and push transactions TR-Invoke.req(Class 0, Disconnect) S-Disconnect.ind(USERREQ)	NULL
Disconnect		TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the Resume Abort(DISCONNECT) all method and push transactions S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL
S-MethodInvoke.res		See method state table	
S-MethodResult.req		See method state table	
S-Push.req		TR-Invoke.req(Class 0, Push)	
S-ConfirmedPush.req		Start new push transaction (see push state table)	
Suspend		TR-Abort.req(SUSPEND) the Resume transaction <i>Abort</i> (SUSPEND) all method and push transactions S-Suspend.ind(SUSPEND)	SUSPENDED
TR-Invoke.ind	Class 2, Method	Start new method transaction (see method state table) <i>Release</i> the new method transaction	
	Class 2, Resume	TR-Invoke.res TR-Abort.req(RESUME) the old resume transaction <i>Abort</i> (RESUME) all method and push transactions S-Suspend.ind(RESUME) S-Resume.ind	RESUMING
	Class 0, Suspend	Abort(SUSPEND) all method and push transactions S-Suspend.ind(SUSPEND)	SUSPENDED
	Class 0, Disconnect	TR-Abort.req(DISCONNECT) the Resume Abort(DISCONNECT) all method and push transactions S-Disconnect.ind(DISCONNECT)	NULL
TR-Invoke.cnf	Push transaction	See push state table	
TR-Result.cnf	Resume transaction		CONNECTED
	Method transaction	See method state table	
TR-Abort.ind	Resume transaction	Abort(SUSPEND) all method and push transactions S-Suspend.ind(abort reason)	SUSPENDED
	Push transaction	See push state table	
	Method transaction	See method state table	

7.1.6.5 Server Method State Table

The following tables show the method states and event processing that occur on the server when using a transaction service.

Server Method NULL			
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State
TR-Invoke.ind	Class 2, Method PDU, N_Methods == MOM	TR-Abort.req(MOREXCEEDED)	NULL
	Class 2, Method PDU	Increment N_Methods	HOLDING

Server Method HOLDING			
EventConditionsActionNext S			
Release		S-MethodInvoke.ind	REQUESTING
Abort		Decrement N_Methods TR-Abort.req(abort reason) the method	NULL
TR-Abort.ind	rt.ind Reason == DISCONNECT Disconnect the session		
	Reason == SUSPEND	Suspend the session	
	Other	Decrement N_Methods	NULL

Server Method REQUESTING			
Event	Conditions	Action	Next State
S-MethodInvoke.res		TR-Invoke.res	PROCESSING
S-MethodAbort.req	Decrement N_Methods NULL TR-Abort.req(PEERREQ) the method S-MethodAbort.ind(USERREO)		NULL
Abort		Decrement N_Methods N TR-Abort.req(abort reason) the method S-MethodAbort.ind(abort reason)	
TR-Abort.ind Reason == DISCONNECT		Disconnect the session	
Reason == SUSPEND		Suspend the session	
	Other	Decrement N_Methods S-MethodAbort.ind(abort reason)	NULL

Server Method PROCESSING			
Event	Event Conditions Action Ne		Next State
S-MethodResult.req		TR-Result.req	REPLYING
S-MethodAbort.req		Decrement N_Methods NULL TR-Abort.req(PEERREQ) the method S-MethodAbort.ind(USERREQ)	
Abort		Decrement N_Methods NULI TR-Abort.req(abort reason) the method S-MethodAbort.ind(abort reason)	
TR-Abort.ind Reason == DISCONNECT		Disconnect the session	
Reason == SUSPEND		Suspend the session	
	Other	Decrement N_Methods S-MethodAbort.ind(abort reason)	NULL

Server Method REPLYING				
Event	Event Conditions Action Next Sta			
S-MethodAbort.req		Decrement N_Methods TR-Abort.req(PEERREQ) the method S-MethodAbort.ind(USERREQ)	NULL	
Abort		Decrement N_Methods NULL TR-Abort.req(abort reason) the method S-MethodAbort.ind(abort reason)		
TR-Result.cnf		Decrement N_Methods NULL S-MethodResult.cnf(Acknowledgement Headers = Exit Info) Note:support for Acknowledgement Headers is optional		
TR-Abort.ind Reason == DISCONNECT Disconnect the session				
Reason == SUSPEND Suspend the session		Suspend the session		
	Other	Decrement N_Methods S-MethodAbort.ind(abort reason)	NULL	

7.1.6.6 Server Push State Table

The following tables show the push states and event processing that occur on the server when using a transaction service.

Server Push NULL			
Event Conditions Action Next State			
S-ConfirmedPush.req TR-Invoke.req(Class 1, Push) PUSHING			PUSHING

Server Push PUSHING			
Event Conditions Action Next Stat		Next State	
Abort		TR-Abort.req(abort reason) the push transaction	NULL
		S-PushAbort.ind(abort reason)	
TR-Invoke.cnf	S-ConfirmedPush.cnf(Acknowledgement Headers = Exit Info) NULI		NULL
		Note: support for Acknowledgement Headers is optional	
TR-Abort.ind	Reason == DISCONNECT	Disconnect the session	
	Reason == SUSPEND	Suspend the session	
	Other	S-PushAbort.ind(abort reason)	NULL

7.2 Connectionless WSP/B

This section is written as if the session service provider is using the Transport SAP directly. However, this section also applies to the use of the Security SAP. There is a one-to-one mapping of connectionless transport primitives [WAPWDP] to Security primitives. For example, T-DUnitdata.request maps directly to SEC-UnitData.request. To allow for this ambiguity, the layer prefixes ("T-D" or "SEC-") have been omitted from the primitive names.

The connectionless WSP/B protocol does not require state machines. Each primitive of the connectionless WSP/B service interface maps directly to sending a WSP/B PDU with the underlying Unitdata primitive as shown in the following table.

Event	Condition	Action
S-Unit-MethodInvoke.req		Unitdata.req(Method)
		Note: "Method" means either the Get or Post PDU
		using the PDU type assigned to the particular method.
S-Unit-MethodResult.req		Unitdata.req(Reply)
S-Unit-Push.req		Unitdata.req(Push)
T-DError.ind		Ignore
Unitdata.ind	Method PDU	S-Unit-MethodInvoke.ind
	Note: "Method" means either the Get	
	or Post PDU using the PDU type	
	assigned to the particular method.	
	Reply PDU	S-Unit-MethodResult.ind
	Push PDU	S-Unit-MethodPush.ind

Protocol parameters, such as the Maximum Receive Unit and the persistent session headers in effect, are defined by mutual agreement between the service users. No particular mechanism for this is required, but the well-known port of the server MAY be used to imply the parameter settings.

8 WSP/B Data Unit Structure and Encoding

This section describes the structure of the data units used to exchange WSP/B data units between client and server.

8.1 Data Formats

The following data types are used in the data format definitions.

8.1.1 Primitive Data Types

Data Type	Definition
bit	1 bit of data
octet	8 bits of opaque data
uint8	8-bit unsigned integer
uint16	16-bit unsigned integer
uint32	32-bit unsigned integer
uintvar	variable length unsigned integer (see below)

Table 11. Format Definition Data Types

Network octet order for multi-octet integer values is "big-endian". In other words, the most significant octet is transmitted on the network first followed subsequently by the less significant octets.

Network bit ordering for bit fields within an octet is "big-endian". In other words, bit fields described first are placed in the most significant bits of the octet and are transmitted first followed subsequently by the less significant bits.

8.1.2 Variable Length Unsigned Integers

Many fields in the data unit formats are of variable length. Typically, there will be an associated field that specifies the size of the variable length field. In order to keep the data unit formats as small as possible, a variable length unsigned integer encoding is used to specify lengths. The larger the unsigned integer, the larger the size of its encoding.

Each octet of the variable length unsigned integer is comprised of a single *Continue* bit and 7 bits of payload as shown in Figure 27.

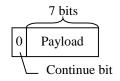
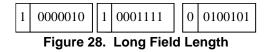


Figure 27. Variable Length Integer Octet

To encode a large unsigned integer, split it into 7-bit fragments and place them in the payloads of multiple octets. The most significant bits are placed in the first octets with the least significant bits ending up in the last octet. All octets MUST set the *Continue* bit to 1 except the last octet, which MUST set the *Continue* bit to 0.

For example, the number 0x87A5 (1000 0111 1010 0101) is encoded in three octets as shown in Figure 28.



The unsigned integer MUST be encoded in the smallest encoding possible. In other words, the encoded value MUST NOT start with an octet with the value 0x80.

In the data unit format descriptions, the data type *uintvar* will be used to indicate a variable length integer field. The maximum size of a *uintvar* is 32 bits. It will be encoded in no more than five octets.

8.2 Protocol Data Unit Structure

WSP/B generates WTP SDUs which contain a single WSP/B protocol data unit. Each PDU serves a particular function in the protocol and contains type-specific information.

8.2.1 PDU Common Fields

This section describes fields that are common across all or many PDUs.

TID	Туре	Type-Specific Contents
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Figure 29. PDU Structure

Every PDU starts with a conditional transaction identifier and a type identifier.

Table 12. FD0 fleader fields			
Name	Туре	Source	
TID	uint8	S-Unit-MethodInvoke.req::Transaction Id or	
		S-Unit-MethodResult.req::Transaction Id or	
		S-Unit-Push.req::Push Id	
Туре	uint8	PDU type	

Table 12. PDU Header Fields

The *TID* field is used to associate requests with replies in the connectionless session service. The presence of the *TID* is conditional. It MUST be included in the connectionless WSP/B PDUs, and MUST NOT be present in the connection-mode PDUs. In connectionless WSP/B, the TID is passed to and from the session user as the "Transaction Id" or "Push Id" parameters of the session primitives.

The *Type* field specifies the type and function of the PDU. The type numbers for the various PDUs are defined in Table 34 in Assigned Numbers. The rest of the PDU is type-specific information, referred to as the contents.

The following sections describe the format of the contents for each PDU type. In the interest of brevity, the PDU header has been omitted from the description of each PDU in the sections that follow.

8.2.2 Session Management Facility

8.2.2.1 Connect

The *Connect* PDU is sent to initiate the creation of a session.

Table 13. Connect Fields			
Name	Туре	Source	
Version	uint8	WSP/B protocol version	
CapabilitiesLen	uintvar	Length of the Capabilities field	
HeadersLen	uintvar	Length of the Headers field	
Capabilities	CapabilitiesLen	S-Connect.req::Requested Capabilities	
	octets		
Headers	HeadersLen	S-Connect.req::Client Headers	
	octets		

The *Version* field identifies the version of the WSP/B protocol. This is used to determine the formats of this and all subsequent PDUs. The version number is encoded as follows: The major number of the version is stored in the high-order 4 bits, and the minor number is stored in the low-order 4 bits. This version number used for this specification is 1.0, ie, 0x10.

The CapabilitiesLen field specifies the length of the Capabilities field.

The HeadersLen field specifies the length of the Headers field.

The *Capabilities* field contains encoded capability settings requested by the sender. Each capability has capabilityspecific parameters associated with it. For more information on the encoding of this field, see section 8.3, "Capability Encoding", below.

The Headers field contains headers sent from client to server that apply to the entire session.

8.2.2.2 ConnectReply

The ConnectReply PDU is sent in response to the Connect PDU.

Table 14. ConnectRepty Fields			
Name	Туре	Source	
ServerSessionId	Uintvar	Session_ID variable	
CapabilitiesLen	Uintvar	Length of Capabilities field	
HeadersLen	Uintvar	Length of the Headers field	
Capabilities	CapabilitiesLen octets	S-Connect.res::Negotiated Capabilities	
Headers	HeadersLen octets	S-Connect.res::Server Headers	

Table 14. ConnectReply Fields

The *ServerSessionId* contains the server session identifier. It is used to identify the session in subsequently sent PDUs used for session management. In particular, the client uses this session identifier, if it wants to resume the session after a change in the underlying transport.

The CapabilitiesLen field specifies the length of the Capabilities field.

The HeadersLen field specifies the length of the Headers field.

The *Capabilities* field contains zero or more capabilities accepted by the sender. For more information on capabilities, see section 8.3, "Capability Encoding", below.

The Headers field contains headers that apply to the entire session.

8.2.2.3 Redirect

The *Redirect* PDU may be returned in response to a Connect PDU, when the session establishment attempt is refused. It can be used to migrate clients from servers whose addresses have changed or to perform a crude form of load balancing at session creation time.

Name	Туре	Source	
Flags	uint8	S-Disconnect.req::Redirect Security	
		and S-Disconnect.req::Reason	
Redirect	multiple octets	S-Disconnect.req::Redirect Addresses	
Addresses			

Table 15. Redirect Fields

The *Flags* field indicates the nature of the redirect. Flags that are unassigned MUST be set to 0 by the server and MUST be ignored by the client. The flags are defined as follows:

Flag bit	Description	
0x80	Permanent Redirect	
0x40	Reuse Security Session	

If the *Permanent Redirect* flag is set, the client SHOULD store the redirect addresses and use them to create all future sessions with the server. If the *Reuse Security Session* flag is set, the client can use the current security session when requesting a session from the server it is being redirected to.

The *Redirect Addresses* field contains one or more new addresses for the server. Subsequent Connect PDUs should be sent to these addresses instead of the server address, which caused the Redirect PDU to be sent. The length of the *Redirect Addresses* field is determined by the SDU size as reported from the underlying transport. Each redirect address is coded in the following format:

Name	Туре	Purpose
NetworkType Included	1 bit	Flag indicating inclusion of <i>NetworkType</i> field
PortNumber Included	1 bit	Flag indicating inclusion of <i>PortNumber</i> field
Address Len	6 bits	Length of the Address field
BearerType	uint8	Type of bearer network to use
PortNumber	uint16	Port number to use
Address	AddressLen octets	Bearer address to use

The *BearerType Included* and *PortNumber Included* fields indicate the inclusion of the *BearerType* and *PortNumber* fields, respectively. The *BearerType* and *PortNumber* SHOULD be excluded, if the session establishment attempt is redirected to the same type of bearer network and same destination port number as used for the initial Connect PDU.

The AddressLen field contains the length of the Address field.

The *BearerType* field indicates the type of bearer network to be used. The bearer type codes are defined in [WAPWDP].

The PortNumber field contains the destination port number.

The Address field contains the bearer address to use. The BearerType implies also the bearer-dependent address format used to encode this field. The encoding shall use the native address transmission format defined in the applicable bearer specifications. If this format uses a number of bits, which is not a multiple of eight, the address shall be encoded as a big-endian multi-octet integer; the necessary number of zero fill bits shall be included in the most significant octet so that the fill bits occupy the most significant bits. The used bearer address formats are defined in [WAPWDP] together with the bearer type codes.

8.2.2.4 Disconnect

The Disconnect PDU is sent to terminate a session.

Table 17. Disconnect Fields		
Name	Туре	Source
ServerSessionId	uintvar	Session ID variable

The ServerSessionId contains the session identifier of the session to be disconnected.

8.2.2.5 Reply

The Reply PDU is used by the session creation facility, and it is defined in section 8.2.3.3, "Reply", below.

8.2.3 Method Invocation Facility

There are two PDUs used to invoke a method in the server, Get and Post, depending on the parameters required.

Methods defined in HTTP/1.1 [RFC2068] are assigned a specific PDU type number. PDU type numbers for methods not defined in HTTP/1.1 are established during capability negotiation. These methods use either the Get or Post PDU depending on whether the method includes request content or not. Methods using Get use PDU type numbers in the range 0x40-0x5F. Methods using Post use numbers in the range 0x60-0x7F.

8.2.3.1 Get

The Get PDU is used for the HTTP/1.1 GET, OPTIONS, HEAD, DELETE and TRACE methods, as well as extension methods that do not send request content to the server.

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Table 18. Get Fields			
Name	Туре	Source	
URILen	uintvar	Length of the URI field	
HeadersLen	uintvar	Length of the Headers field	
URI	URILen octets	S-MethodInvoke.req::Request URI or	
	S-Unit-MethodInvoke.req::Request URI		
Headers	HeadersLen S-MethodInvoke.req::Request Headers or		
	octets	S-Unit-MethodInvoke.req::Request Headers	

The URILen field specifies the length of the URI field.

The HeadersLen field specifies the length of the Headers field.

The *URI* field contains the URI. If the URI is a normally stored as a null-terminated string, the implementation MUST NOT include the null in the field.

The Headers field contains the headers associated with the request.

8.2.3.2 Post

The *Post* PDU is used for the HTTP/1.1 POST and PUT methods, as well as extended methods that send request content to the server.

Table 19. Post Fields			
Name	Туре	Source	
UriLen	uintvar	Length of the URI field	
HeadersLen	uintvar	Length of the <i>ContentType</i> and <i>Headers</i> fields combined	
Uri	UriLen octets	S-MethodInvoke.req::Request URI or S-Unit-MethodInvoke.req::Request URI	
ContentType	multiple octets	S-MethodInvoke.req::Request Headers or S-Unit-MethodInvoke.req::Request Headers	
Headers	(<i>HeadersLen</i> – length of <i>ContentType</i>) octets	S-MethodInvoke.req::Request Headers or S-Unit-MethodInvoke.req::Request Headers	
Data	multiple octets	S-MethodInvoke.req::Request Body or S-Unit-MethodInvoke.req::Request Body	

The UriLen field specifies the length of the Uri field.

The *HeadersLen* field specifies the length of the *ContentType* and *Headers* fields combined.

The *Uri* field contains the Uri. If the URI is a normally stored as a null-terminated string, the implementation MUST NOT include the null in the field.

The *ContentType* field contains the content type of the data. It conforms to the Content-Type value encoding specified in section 8.4.2.24, "Content type field", below.

The Headers field contains the headers associated with the request.

The *Data* field contains the data associated with the request. The length of the *Data* field is determined by the SDU size as provided to and reported from the underlying transport. The *Data* field starts immediately after the *Headers* field and ends at the end of the SDU.

8.2.3.3 Reply

Reply is the generic response PDU used to return information from the server in response to a request. Reply is used in the S-Connect primitive to indicate an error during session creation.

Table 20 Damby Fields

Name	Туре	Source	
Status	uint8	S-MethodResult.req::Status or	
		S-Disconnect.req::Reason or	
		S-Unit-MethodResult.req::Status	
HeadersLen	uintvar	Length of the ContentType and Headers fields	
		combined	
ContentType	multiple octets	S-MethodResult.req::Response Headers or	
		S-Disconnect.req::Error Headers or	
		S-Unit-MethodResult.req::Response Headers	
Headers	(HeadersLen – length of	S-MethodResult.req::Response Headers or	
	<i>ContentType</i>) octets	S-Disconnect.req::Error Headers or	
		S-Unit-MethodResult.req::Response Headers	
Data	multiple octets	S-MethodResult.req::Response Body or	
		S-Disconnect.req::Error Body or	
		S-Unit-MethodResult.req::Response Body	

The *Status* field contains a result code of the attempt to understand and satisfy the request. The status codes have been defined by HTTP/1.1 [RFC2068] and have been mapped into single-octet values listed in Table 36 in Assigned Numbers.

The *HeadersLen* field specifies the length of the *ContentType* and *Headers* fields combined.

The *ContentType* field contains the content type of the data. It conforms to the Content-Type value encoding specified in section 8.4.2.24, "Content type field", below.

The *Headers* field contains the reply headers.

The *Data* field contains the data returned from the server. The length of the *Data* field is determined by the SDU size as provided to and reported from the underlying transport. The *Data* field starts immediately after the *Headers* field and ends at the end of the SDU.

8.2.3.4 Acknowledgement Headers

Acknowledgement Headers is not an actual PDU: it may be carried by the Exit Info parameter of the TR-Result primitive. The service provider uses it to carry the data needed by the optional Acknowledgement Headers feature.

Table 21.	Acknowledgement	Headers Fields
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Name	Type Source	
Headers	multiple octets	S-MethodResult.res::Acknowledgement Headers or
		S-ConfirmedPush.res::Acknowledgement Headers

The *Headers* field contains information encoded in the manner defined in Section 8.4, "Header Encoding", below. The size of the field is implied by the size of the transaction Exit Data.

8.2.4 Push and Confirmed Push Facilities

8.2.4.1 Push and ConfirmedPush

The Push and ConfirmedPush PDUs are used for sending unsolicited information from the server to the client. The formats of the two PDUs are the same, only the PDU type is different.

Name	Туре	Source
HeadersLen	uintvar	Length of the <i>ContentType</i> and <i>Headers</i> fields combined
ContentType	multiple octets	S-Push.req::Push Headers or
		S-ConfirmedPush.req::Push Headers or
		S-Unit-Push.req::Push Headers
Headers	(HeadersLen – length of	S-Push.req::Push Headers or
	<i>ContentType</i>) octets	S-ConfirmedPush.req::Push Headers or
		S-Unit-Push.req::Push Headers
Data	multiple octets	S-Push.req::Push Body or
		S-ConfirmedPush.req::Push Body or
		S-Unit-Push.req::Push Body

Table 22. Push and ConfirmedPush Fie	ds
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The *HeadersLen* field specifies the length of the *ContentType* and *Headers* fields combined.

The *ContentType* field contains the content type of the data. It conforms to the Content-Type value encoding specified in section 8.4.2.24, "Content type field", below.

The Headers field contains the push headers.

The *Data* field contains the data pushed from the server. The length of the *Data* field is determined by the SDU size as provided to and reported from the underlying transport. The *Data* field starts immediately after the *Headers* field and ends at the end of the SDU.

8.2.4.2 Acknowledgement Headers

If the service provider implements the optional Acknowledgement Headers feature with the Confirmed Push facility, *Acknowledgement Headers* are used to carry the associated data. It is defined in Section 8.2.3.4 above.

8.2.5 Session Resume Facility

8.2.5.1 Suspend

The Suspend PDU is sent to suspend a session.

_	Table 23. Suspend Fields			
	Name	Туре	Source	
	SessionId	Uintvar	Session_ID variable	

The SessionId field contains the session identifier of the session to be suspended.

8.2.5.2 Resume

The Resume PDU is sent to resume an existing session after a change in the underlying transport protocol.

Table 24. Resume Fields		
Name	Туре	Purpose
SessionId	uintvar	Session_ID variable

The *SessionId* field contains the session identifier returned from the server when the session was originally created. The server looks up the session based on the session identifier. It then binds that session to the transaction service instance identified by the peer address quadruplet of the transaction that carried the PDU.

8.2.5.3 Reply

The Reply PDU is used by the session resume facility, and it is defined in section 8.2.3.3, "Reply", above

8.3 Capability Encoding

Capabilities allow the client and server to negotiate characteristics and extended behaviours of the protocol. A general capability format is defined so capabilities that are not understood can be ignored.

A set of capability values is encoded as a sequence of capability structures described below. If the sender wants to provide the receiver with a set of alternative values for a particular capability, one of which can be chosen, it sends multiple instances of the capability, each with different parameters and with the most preferred alternative first. A responder must not encode and send the value of a capability, unless the initiator is known to recognise it, as indicated by either the version number of the session protocol or by the initiator already having sent that capability during the session.

When the initiator of capability negotiation encodes a capability defined in Section 8.3.2 "Capability Definitions", below, and the value is equal to the capability setting (default or negotiated) currently in effect, the capability structure MAY be omitted. In this case the responder MUST interpret this in the same way, as if it had received the explicitly encoded value. When the responder encodes a capability defined in Section 8.3.2 "Capability Definitions", and the value is equal to the capability setting proposed by the initiator, the capability structure MAY be omitted; the initiator MUST interpret this in the same way, as if it had received the explicitly encoded value.

8.3.1 Capability Structure

The format of a capability is described using a table similar to the ones used in PDU definitions:

Name	Туре	Purpose
Length	uintvar	Length of the Identifier and Parameters fields
		combined
Identifier	multiple octets	Capability identifier
Parameters	(<i>Length</i> – length of <i>Identifier</i>)	Capability-specific parameters
	octets	

Table 25.	Capability	Fields
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The Length field specifies the length of the Identifier and Parameters fields combined.

The *Identifier* field identifies the capability. The capability indentifier values defined in this protocol version are listed in Table 37 in Assigned Numbers. It is encoded in the same way as the header field names, ie, using the *Field-name* BNF rule specified in Section 8.4.2.6, "Header", below.

The Parameters field (if not empty) contains capability-specific parameters.

If a capability with an unknown *Identifier* field is received during capability negotiation, its value must be ignored. The responder must also reply with the same capability with an empty *Parameters* field, which indicates that the capability was not recognised and did not have any effect. As a consequence, the encodings for any provider-specific additional capabilities MUST BE chosen so that an empty *Parameters* field either is illegal (as for capabilities with integer values) or indicates that no extended functionality is enabled.

8.3.2 Capability Definitions

8.3.2.1 Service Data Unit Size

There are two Service Data Unit (SDU) size capabilities, one for the client and one for the server:

- Client-SDU-Size
- Server-SDU-Size

These capabilities share the same parameter format.

Table 26. SDU Size Capability Fields		
Name	Туре	Purpose
MaxSize	uintvar	Maximum Size

The *MaxSize* field specifies the maximum SDU size that can be received or will be sent by the client or server, depending on the context of the capability, as described below. A *MaxSize* of 0 (zero) means there is no limit to the SDU size.

When the client sends the Client-SDU-Size capability, it is indicating the maximum size SDU it can receive (ie, the client MRU). When the server sends the Client-SDU-Size capability, it is indicating the maximum SDU size it will send.

When the client sends the Server-SDU-Size capability, it is indicating the maximum size SDU it will send. When the server sends the Server-SDU-Size capability, it is indicating the maximum SDU size it can receive (ie, the server MRU).

The default SDU sizes are specified in section 8.3.3, "Capability Defaults", below. The default SDU size SHOULD be treated as an implementation minimum. Otherwise a method request sent during session establishment would risk being aborted, since the server cannot indicate its true MRU until session has been established.

8.3.2.2 Protocol Options

The Protocol Options capability is used to enable extended, optional protocol functions.

Tab	le 27. Protocol Opt	ions Capability Fields
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Name	Туре	Purpose
Flags	multiple octets	Option flags

When the client sends the Protocol Options capability to the server, the *Flags* field specifies the options the client will accept. When the server sends the Protocol Options capability back to the client, the *Flags* field specifies the options the server will perform. Although the *Flags* field may be multiple octets long, the currently defined flag bits fit into a single octet, and an implementation SHOULD send only one octet. All undefined bits must be set to zero, and the receiver MUST ignore them, including all additional trailing octets. As more flag bits are defined in the future, new octets can then be appended to the field.

A flag bit set to one (1) indicates that the associated optional function is enabled; a flag bit cleared to zero (0) indicates that it is disabled. The flags are defined as follows:

Flag bit	Description
0x80	Confirmed Push Facility
0x40	Push Facility
0x20	Session Resume Facility
0x10	Acknowledgement Headers

When the client enables the Confirmed Push and/or Push facilities, it is advertising that it is able to and also wants to accept data pushes. If the client can receive data pushes, but the service provider in the server cannot send pushes, the appropriate push flags MUST be cleared when replying with the negotiated capabilities. If the service user in the server will not send any data pushes of a certain type, the appropriate push flag SHOULD be cleared in the reply: this will allow the client to free up any resources that would otherwise be dedicated to receiving data pushes.

When the client enables the Session Resume facility, it is advertising that it would like to suspend and resume the session. If the server is not able or willing to support the Session Resume facility, it MUST clear the Session Resume facility flags when replying with the negotiated capabilities.

When the client sets the Acknowledgement Headers flag, it is advertising whether or not it would like to send Acknowledgement headers. The server indicates with the Acknowledgement Headers flag in the reply, whether or not it is able to process Acknowledgement Headers. If the server is not able to process the headers, the client SHOULD not send them; if the client still sends them, the headers shall be ignored.

8.3.2.3 Maximum Outstanding Requests (MOR)

There are two MOR capabilities, one for methods and one for pushes:

- Method-MOR
- Push-MOR

The Method-MOR and Push-MOR capabilities respectively indicate the number of outstanding method or push transactions that may occur simultaneously.

_	Table 28. Maximum Outstanding Requests Capability Fields		
	Name	Туре	Purpose
	MOR	uint8	Maximum Outstanding Requests

When the client is able to submit multiple outstanding method requests, it indicates the maximum number of simultaneous requests it will ever send in the Method-MOR capability. The server replies with the lesser of the client's Method-MOR and the number of method transactions the server can simultaneously process.

Similarly, when the client is able to process multiple outstanding push requests, it indicates the maximum number of simultaneous requests it can process in the Push-MOR capability. The server replies with the lesser of the client's Push-MOR and the maximum number of simultaneous push transactions the server will ever send.

8.3.2.4 Extended Methods

The Extended Methods capability declares the set of extended methods to be used during the session and assigns PDU types to them.

Name	Туре	Purpose
PDU Type	uint8	PDU Type for method
Method Name	multiple octets	Null terminated method name

Table 29. Extended Methods Capability Field Entries

When sent from client to server in the Connect PDU, the capability-specific parameters for the Extended Methods capability contain zero or more *PDU Type* to *Method Name* assignments. The end of the list of assignments is determined from the end of the capability as specified in the capability length. Each capability assignment contains a *PDU Type* and a *Method Name*. The PDU types are assigned by the client from the range 0x50-0x5F for methods that use the Get PDU format and the range 0x70-0x7F for methods that use the Post PDU format. The method name is a null terminated string.

When sent from server to client in the ConnectReply PDU, the capability-specific parameters for the Extended Methods capability contain the zero or more PDU type codes (without the method names) that the server accepts and can receive.

8.3.2.5 Header Code Pages

The Header Code Pages capability declares the set of header code pages to be used during the session and assigns page codes to them.

Name	Туре	Purpose
Page Code	uint8	Code for header page
Page Name	multiple octets	Name of header page

Table 30. Header Code Pages Capability Field Entries

When sent from client to server in the Connect PDU, the capability-specific parameters for the Header Code Pages capability contain zero or more header page name to code assignments. The end of the list of assignments is determined from the end of the capability as specified in the capability length. Each capability assignment contains a *Page Code* and a *Page Name*. The *Page Name* is a null terminated string.

When sent from server to client in the ConnectReply PDU, the capability-specific parameters for the Header Code Pages capability contain the zero or more *Page Codes* (without the *Page Names*), that the server can and will use.

When the client sends this capability, it is indicating its desire to use the named header code pages. The response from the server indicates, which of these pages actually shall be used during the remainder of the session. Once the use of an extension header code page has been negotiated, the headers belonging to it MUST be sent encoded using the binary syntax defined by the code page. If the server declines to use a particular header code page, the (application-specific) headers MUST be sent in textual format, unless some other code page defines an encoding syntax for them.

If the server agrees to use a header code page, the *Page Code* selected by the client shall be used during the remainder of the session, when the header code page needs to be identified in a code page shift sequence.

8.3.2.6 Aliases

The Aliases capability declares a list of alternate addresses for the sender.

Table 31. Aliases Capability Fields		
Name	Туре	Purpose
Addresses	multiple octets	Alternate addresses

The *Addresses* field is encoded in the same format as the *Redirect Addresses* field in the Redirect PDU, described in Section 8.2.2.3. The addresses sent by a server may be used to facilitate a switch to an alternate bearer network, when a session is resumed. The addresses sent by a client may be used to facilitate the use of the connectionless session service.

8.3.3 Capability Defaults

Unless otherwise specified for a specific bearer or well-known application port, the capability defaults are as follows:

Name	Setting
Aliases	None
Client SDU Size	1400 octets
Extended Methods	None
Header Code Pages	None
Protocol Options	0x00
Maximum Outstanding Method Requests	1
Maximum Outstanding Push Requests	1
Server SDU Size	1400 octets

8.4 Header Encoding

8.4.1 General

WSP/B header fields are included in WSP/B PDUs or in multi-part data objects. The header fields contain general information, request information, response information, or entity information. Each header field consists of a field name followed by a field value.

Field Name	Field Value

Figure 30. Header field comprised of field name and field value

WSP/B defines a compact format for encoding header fields that is compatible with HTTP/1.1 header fields.

The following procedures are used to reduce the size of the headers:

- Well-known tokens are mapped to binary values.
- Date values, integer values, quality factors and delta second values are coded in binary format.
- Redundant information is removed.

The encoding utilises the fact that the first octet of the text strings in HTTP headers is typically in the range 32-126, except for some rare cases when a text string is initiated with an 8-bit character value (eg, national characters). Range 0-31 and 127-255 can be used for binary values, quote characters or length indicators of binary data. This makes it possible to mix binary data and text strings efficiently, which is an advantage when the generic parts of HTTP/1.1 headers shall be encoded.

8.4.1.1 Field name

Field names with assigned integer encoding values MUST be encoded using the integer value. Field names without assigned integer values MUST be encoded as text. The representation of the integer encodings is made more compact by dividing them into *header code pages*. Each header code page encodes up to 128 identities of well-known field names, so that the integer encoding value is represented using a single octet. The most common well-known header names are defined in the default header code page, but additional encoding values can be made available by shifting between code pages.

The header code pages used during a session are identified with numeric codes. Header code page 1 is the default page and is always active at the beginning of a set of headers. A shift to a new code page is accomplished by sending a *shift sequence* between two header fields. The new header code page remains active until the end of the set of headers being decoded. This procedure applies to the header fields in each WSP/B PDUs, as well as to the header fields of each entity embedded in a multipart entity.

The default header code pages defines all HTTP/1.1 field names and WAP specific header fields. The numbers for header code pages are assigned in the following way:

- 1, default header code page, including HTTP/1.1 and WAP specific headers
- 2-15, reserved for WAP specific header code pages
- 16-127, reserved for application specific code pages
- 128-255, reserved for future use

An application-specific header code page is identified by a textual name (string). However, when capability negotiation is used to agree on the set of extension header code pages (see Section 8.3.2.5), which shall be used during the session, each application-specific code page is also assigned a numeric identity from the range reserved for them. This identity remains in effect to the end of the session and MUST be used to identify the page in a shift sequence.

If capability negotiation leads to an agreement on the use of a header code page, then the application-specific field names MUST be sent using the well-known single-octet values defined by the page. If there is no agreement on the use of a header code page, the application-specific field names MUST be encoded using the *Token-text* rule from Section 8.4.2.1 below.

For example, a sequence of well-known headers and application specific header can be structured as follows:

8.4.1.2 Field values

The syntax of encoded field values is defined by the field name. Well-known field values MUST be encoded using the compact binary formats defined by the header syntax below; the textual values shall be used only, if no other encoding is available. The WSP field values are encoded so that the length of the field value can always be determined, even if the detailed format of a specific field value is not known. This makes it possible to skip over individual header fields without interpreting their content. The header syntax in Section 8.4.2 below is defined so, that the first octet in all the field values can be interpreted as follows:

Value	Interpretation of First Octet
0 - 30	This octet is followed by the indicated number $(0-30)$ of data octets
31	This octet is followed by a uintvar , which indicates the number of data octets after it
32 - 127	The value is a text string, terminated by a zero octet (NUL character)
128 - 255	It is an encoded 7-bit value; this header has no more data

It is up to the application to define how application-specific field values shall be encoded, but the encodings MUST adhere to the general format described in the table above.

If there is a mutual agreement between server and client on the used extension header code pages, then there is also a mutual agreement on, how application-specific field values defined by these code pages shall be encoded. In this case the applicable field values MUST be encoded according to the syntax rules defined by these code pages.

If the client and server cannot agree on the use of a header code page during capability negotiation, application-specific field values MUST be encoded using the *Application-specific-value* rule from Section 8.4.2.6.

8.4.1.3 Encoding of list values

If the syntax defined by RFC2068 for a header field with a well-known field name permits a comma-separated list using 1#rule, the header MUST be converted into a sequence of headers. Each shall have the original field name and contain one of the values in the original list. The order of the headers shall be the same as the order of their values in the original list value. The encoding rule for the well-known header shall be applied only after this transformation.

8.4.2 Header syntax

This section defines the syntax and semantics of all HTTP/1.1 header fields in WSP/B. The mechanisms specified in this document are described in augmented BNF similar to that used by [RFC2068].

The notation $\langle \text{Octet N} \rangle$ is used to represent a single octet with the value *N* in the decimal system. The notation $\langle \text{Any octet M-N} \rangle$ is used for a single octet with the value in the range from *M* to *N*, inclusive.

8.4.2.1 Basic rules

The following rules are used through this specification to describe the basic parsing constructs. The rules for Token, TEXT and OCTET have the same definition as per [RFC2068].

Text-string = [Quote] TEXT End-of-string

; If the first character in the TEXT is in the range of 128-255, a Quote character must precede it.

; Otherwise the Quote character must be omitted. The Quote is not part of the contents.

Token-text = Token End-of-string

Quoted-string = <Octet 34> TEXT End-of-string ;The TEXT encodes an RFC2068 Quoted-string with the enclosing quotation-marks <"> removed

Short-integer = OCTET

; Integers in range 0-127 shall be encoded as a one octet value with the most significant bit set

; to one (1xxx xxxx) and with the value in the remaining least significant bits.

Long-integer = Short-length Multi-octet-integer ; The Short-length indicates the length of the Multi-octet-integer

Multi-octet-integer = 1*30 OCTET

; The content octets shall be an unsigned integer value

- ; with the most significant octet encoded first (big-endian representation).
- ; The minimum number of octets must be used to encode the value.

Uintvar-integer = 1*5 OCTET

; The encoding is the same as the one defined for **uintvar** in Section 8.1.2.

Constrained-encoding = Token-text | Short-integer

; This encoding is used for token values, which have no well-known binary encoding, or when

; the assigned number of the well-known encoding is small enough to fit into Short-integer.

Quote = <Octet 127> End-of-string = <Octet 0>

8.4.2.2 Length

The following rules are used to encode length indicators.

Value-length = Short-length | (Length-quote Length) ; Value length is used to indicate the length of the value to follow Short-length = <Any octet 0-30> Length-quote = <Octet 31> Length = Uintvar-integer

8.4.2.3 Parameter Values

The following rules are used in encoding parameter values.

No-value = <Octet 0> ; Used to indicate that the parameter actually has no value,

; eg, as the parameter "bar" in ";foo=xxx; bar; baz=xyzzy".

Text-value = No-value | Token-text | Quoted-string

Integer-Value = Short-integer | Long-integer

Date-value = Long-integer ; The encoding of dates shall be done in number of seconds from ; 1970-01-01, 00:00:00 GMT.

Delta-seconds-value = Integer-value

Q-value = 1*2 OCTET

; The encoding is the same as in Uintvar-integer, but with restricted size. When quality factor 0 ; and quality factors with one or two decimal digits are encoded, they shall be multiplied by 100 ; and incremented by one, so that they encode as a one-octet value in range 1-100, ; ie, 0.1 is encoded as 11 (0x0B) and 0.99 encoded as 100 (0x64). Three decimal quality ; factors shall be multiplied with 1000 and incremented by 100, and the result shall be encoded ; as a one-octet or two-octet uintvar, eg, 0.333 shall be encoded as 0x83 0x31. ; Quality factor 1 is the default value and shall never be sent.

Version-value = Short-integer | Text-string

; The three most significant bits of the Short-integer value are interpreted to encode a major

; version number in the range 1-7, and the four least significant bits contain a minor version

; number in the range 0-14. If there is only a major version number, this is encoded by

; placing the value 15 in the four least significant bits. If the version to be encoded fits these

; constraints, a Short-integer must be used, otherwise a Text-string shall be used.

Uri-value = Text-string ; URI value should be encoded per [RFC2068], but service user may use a different format.

8.4.2.4 Parameter

The following rules are used to encode parameters.

Parameter = Typed-parameter | Untyped-parameter

Typed-parameter = Well-known-parameter-token Typed-value

; the actual expected type of the value is implied by the well-known parameter

Well-known-parameter-token = Integer-value

; the code values used for parameters are specified in the Assigned Numbers appendix

Typed-value = Compact-value | Text-value ; In addition to the expected type, there may be no value. ; If the value cannot be encoded using the expected type, it shall be encoded as text. Compact-value = Integer-value |

Date-value | Delta-seconds-value | Q-value | Version-value | Uri-value

Untyped-parameter = Token-text Untyped-value ; the type of the value is unknown, but it shall be encoded as an integer, if that is possible.

Untyped-value = Integer-value | Text-value

8.4.2.5 Authorization

The following common rules are used for authentication and authorisation.

Credentials = (Basic Basic-cookie) | (Authentication-scheme *Auth-param) Basic = <Octet 128> Basic-cookie = User-id Password User-id = Text-string Password = Text-string ; Note user identity and password shall not be base 64 encoded. Authentication-scheme = Token-text Auth-param = Parameter Challenge = (Basic Realm-value) | (Authentication-scheme Realm-value *Auth-param) Realm-value = Text-string ; shall be encoded without the quote characters <"> in the corresponding RFC2068 Quoted-string

8.4.2.6 Header

The following rules are used to encode headers.

Header = Message-header | Shift-sequence

Shift-sequence = (Shift-delimiter Page-identity) | Short-cut-shift-delimiter

Shift-delimiter = <Octet 127> Page-identity = <Any octet 1-255> Short-cut-shift-delimiter = <Any octet 1-31>

Message-header = Well-known-header | Application-header

Well-known-header = Well-known-field-name Wap-value

Application-header = Token-text Application-specific-value

Field-name = Token-text | Well-known-field-name

Well-known-field-name = Short-integer

Application-specific-value = Text-string

Wap-value = Accept-value | Accept-charset-value | Accept-encoding-value | Accept-language-value | Accept-ranges-value Age-value | Allow-value | Authorization-value | Cache-control-value | Connection-value | Content-base-value | Content-encoding-value | Content-language-value | Content-length-value | Content-location-value | Content-MD5-value | Content-range-value | Content-type-value | Date | Etag-value | Expires-value | From-value | Host-value | If-modified-since-value | If-match-value | If-none-match-value | If-range-value | If-unmodified-since-value Location-value | Last-modified | Max-forwards-value | Pragma-value | Proxy-authenticate-value | Proxy-authorization-value | Public-value | Range-value | Referer-value | Retry-after-value | Server-value | Transfer-encoding-value | Upgrade-value | User-agent-value | Vary-value Via-value | Warning | WWW-authenticate-value | Content-disposition-value

8.4.2.7 Accept field

The following rules are used to encode accept values.

Accept-value = Constrained-media | Accept-general-form Accept-general-form = Value-length Media-range [Accept-parameters] Media-range = (Well-known-media | Token-text) *(Parameter) Accept-parameters = Q-token Q-value *(Accept-extension) Accept-extension = Parameter Constrained-media = Constrained-encoding Well-known-media = Integer-value ; Both are encoded using values from Content Type Assignments table in Assigned Numbers Q-token = <Octet 128>

8.4.2.8 Accept charset field

The following rules are used to encode accept character set values.

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Accept-charset-value = Constrained-charset | Accept-charset-general-form
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Accept-charset-general-form = Value-length (Well-known-charset | Token-text) [Q-value]
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Constrained-well-known-charset = Constrained-encoding
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Well-known-charset = Integer-value
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; Both are encoded using values from Character Set Assignments table in Assigned Numbers

8.4.2.9 Accept encoding field

The following rules are used to encode accept encoding values.

Accept-encoding-value = Content-encoding-value

8.4.2.10 Accept language field

The following rules are used to encode accept language values.

```
Accept-language-value = Constrained-language | Accept-language-general-form
```

Accept-language-general-form = Value-length (Well-known-language | Text-string) [Q-value]

```
Constrained-language = Any-language | Constrained-encoding
Well-known-language = Any-language | Integer-value
; Both are encoded using values from Character Set Assignments table in Assigned Numbers
```

```
Any-language = <Octet 128>
; Equivalent to the special RFC2068 language range "*"
```

8.4.2.11 Accept ranges field

The following rules are used to encode accept range values.

```
Accept-ranges-value = (None | Bytes | Token-text)
None = <Octet 128>
Bytes = <Octet 129>
```

8.4.2.12 Age field

The following rule is used to encode age values.

Age-value = Delta-seconds-value

8.4.2.13 Allow field

The following rules are used to encode allow values.

Allow-value = Well-known-method

```
Well-known-method = Short-integer
; Any well-known method or extended method in the range of 0x40-0x7F
```

8.4.2.14 Authorization field

The following rule is used to encode authorisation values.

```
Authorization-value = Value-length Credentials
```

8.4.2.15 Cache-control field

The following rules are used to encode cache control values.

Cache-control-valu	ie =	No-cache No-store Max-stale Only-if-cached Private Public No-transform Must-revalidate Proxy-revalidate Cache-extension Value-length Cache-directive
Cache-directive =	Max-age Max-sta Min-fres Private	ne 1*(Field-name) e Delta-second-value le Delta-second-value sh Delta-second-value 1*(Field-name) extension Parameter
Cache-e No-cache = <octet 128=""> No-store = <octet 129=""> Max-age = <octet 130=""> Max-stale = <octet 131=""> Min-fresh = <octet 132=""> Only-if-cached = <octet 133<br="">Public = <octet 134=""> Private = <octet 135=""> No-transform = <octet 136=""> Must-revalidate = <octet 137<br="">Proxy-revalidate = <octet 137<br="">Cache-extension = Token-te</octet></octet></octet></octet></octet></octet></octet></octet></octet></octet></octet>		5 17> 38>

8.4.2.16 Connection field

The following rules are used to encode connection values.

```
Connection-value = (Close | Token-text)
Close = <Octet 128>
```

8.4.2.17 Content-base field

The following rule is used to encode content base values.

Content-base-value = Uri-value

8.4.2.18 Content encoding field

The following rules are used to encode content encoding values.

```
Content-encoding-value = (Gzip | Compress | Deflate | Token-text)
Gzip = <Octet 128>
Compress = <Octet 129>
Deflate = <Octet 130>
```

8.4.2.19 Content language field

The following rule is used to encode content language values.

Content-language-value = (Well-known-language | Token-text)

8.4.2.20 Content length field

The following rule is used to encode content length values. Normally the information in the content length header is redundant and MAY not be sent -- the content length is available in the PDU or can be calculated when the transport layer provides the PDU size.

If the PDU contains no entity body at all (response to HEAD), then the Content-Length SHOULD be encoded in the header fields, so that the client can learn the size of the entity.

Content-length-value = Integer-value

8.4.2.21 Content location field

The following rule is used to encode content location values.

Content-location-value = Uri-value

8.4.2.22 Content MD5 field

The following rules are used to encode content MD5 values.

Content-MD5-value = Value-length Digest ; 128-bit MD5 digest as per [RFC1864]. Note the digest shall not be base-64 encoded. Digest = 16*16 OCTET

8.4.2.23 Content range field

The following rules are used to encode content range values. Last-byte-pos available in the HTTP/1.1 header is redundant. The content range length is available in the PDU or can be calculated when the transport layer provides the PDU size. Last-byte-pos can be calculated by adding together First-byte-pos with size of content range.

Content-range = Value-length First-byte-pos Entity-length First-byte-pos = Uintvar-integer Entity-length = Uintvar-integer

8.4.2.24 Content type field

The following rules are used to encode content type values. The short form of the Content-type-value MUST only be used when the well-known media is in the range of 0-127 or a text string. In all other cases the general form MUST be used.

Content-type-value = Constrained-media | Content-general-form Content-general-form = Value-length Media-type Media-type = (Well-known-media | Token-text) *(Parameter)

8.4.2.25 Date field

The following rule is used to encode date values.

Date = Date-value

8.4.2.26 Etag field

The following rule is used to encode entity tag values.

Etag-value = Text-string ; The value shall be encoded as per [RFC2068]

8.4.2.27 Expires field

The following rule is used to encode expires values.

Expires-value = Date-value

8.4.2.28 From field

The following rule is used to encode from values.

```
From-value = Text-string
; The value shall be encoded as an e-mail address as per [RFC822]
```

8.4.2.29 Host field

The following rule is used to encode host values.

```
Host-value = Text-string
; The value shall be encoded as per [RFC2068]
```

8.4.2.30 If modified since field

The following rule is used to encode if modified since values.

```
If-modified-since-value = Date-value
```

8.4.2.31 If match field

The following rule is used to encode if match values.

```
If-match-value = Text-string
; The value shall be encoded as per [RFC2068]
```

8.4.2.32 If none match field

The following rule is used to encode if none match values.

If-none-match-value = Text-string ; The value shall be encoded as per [RFC2068]

8.4.2.33 If range field

The following rule is used to encode if range values.

```
If-range = Text-string | Date-value
; The value shall be encoded as per [RFC2068]
```

8.4.2.34 If unmodified since field

The following rule is used to encode if unmodified since values.

If-unmodified-since-value = Date-value

8.4.2.35 Last modified field

The following rule is used to encode last modified values.

Last-modified-value = Date-value

8.4.2.36 Location field

The following rule is used to encode location values.

Location-value = Uri-value

8.4.2.37 Max forwards field

The following rule is used to encode max forwards values.

Max-forwards-value = Integer-value

8.4.2.38 Pragma field

The following rule is used to encode pragma values.

```
Pragma-value = No-cache | Parameter
; The quoted text string shall be encoded as per [RFC2068]
```

8.4.2.39 Proxy-authenticate

The following rules are used to encode proxy authenticate values.

Proxy-authenticate-value = Value-length Challenge

8.4.2.40 Proxy authorization field

The following rules are used to encode proxy authorization values.

Proxy-authorization-value = Value-length Credentials

8.4.2.41 Public field

The following rule is used to encode public values.

Public-value = (Well-known-method | Token-text)

8.4.2.42 Range field

The following rules are used to encode range values.

Range-value = Value-Length (Byte-range-spec | Suffix-byte-range-spec) Byte-range-spec = Byte-range First-byte-pos [Last-byte-Pos] Suffix-byte-range-spec = Suffix-byte-range Suffix-length First-byte-pos = Uintvar-integer Last-byte-pos = Uintvar-integer Suffix-length = Uintvar-integer Byte-range = <Octet 128> Suffix-byte-range = <Octet 129>

8.4.2.43 Referer field

The following rule is used to encode referrer values.

Referer-value = Uri-value

8.4.2.44 Retry after field

The following rules are used to encode retry after values.

Retry-after-value = Value-length (Retry-date-value | Retry-delta-seconds) Retry-date-value = Absolute-time Date-value Retry-delta-seconds = Relative-time Delta-seconds-value Absolute-time = <Octet 128> Relative-time = <Octet 129>

8.4.2.45 Server field

The following rule is used to encode server values.

```
Server-value = Text-string
; The value shall be encoded as per [RFC2068]
```

8.4.2.46 Transfer encoding field

The following rules are used to encode transfer-encoding values.

```
Transfer-encoding-values = Chunked | Token-text
Chunked = <Octet 128>
```

8.4.2.47 Upgrade field

The following rule is used to encode upgrade values.

Upgrade-value = Text-string ; The value shall be encoded as per [RFC2068]

8.4.2.48 User agent field

The following rule is used to encode user agent values.

```
User-agent-value = Text-string
; The value shall be encoded as per [RFC2068]
```

8.4.2.49 Vary field

The following rule is used to encode vary values.

Vary-value = Field-name

8.4.2.50 Via field

The following rule is used to encode via values.

```
Via-value = Text-string
; The value shall be encoded as per [RFC2068]
```

8.4.2.51 Warning field

The following rules are used to encode warning values. The warning code values are defined in [RFC2068].

Warning = Warn-code | Warning-value Warning-value = Value-length Warn-code Warn-agent Warn-text Warn-code = Short-integer Warn-agent = Text-string ; The value shall be encoded as per [RFC2068] Warn-text = Text-string

8.4.2.52 WWW-authenticate field

The following rule is used to encode WWW authenticate values.

Proxy-authenticate-value = Value-length Challenge

8.4.2.53 Content-disposition field

The following rule is used to encode the Content-disposition fields used when submitting form data.

```
Content-disposition-value = Value-length Disposition *(Parameter)
Disposition = Form-data | Attachment
```

Form-data = <Octet 128> Attachment = <Octet 129>

8.5 Multipart Data

HTTP/1.1 has adopted the MIME multipart format to transport composite data objects (eg, "multipart/mixed"). WSP/B defines a compact binary form of the MIME multipart entity. There is a straightforward translation of both the multipart entity and the content type. After translation, a "multipart/mixed" entity becomes an "x-wap.multipart/mixed" entity. Thus, all MIME "multipart/*" content types can be converted into "x-wap.multipart/*" content types. No information is lost in the translation.

8.5.1 X-WAP.Multipart Format

Header	Entries
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Figure 31. X-WAP.Multipart Format

The x-wap.multipart content type consists of a header followed by 0 or more entries.

8.5.2 Multipart Header

The multipart header format is as follows:

Table 32. Multipart Header Fields

Name	Туре	Purpose
nEntries	uintvar	The number of entries in the multipart entity

The *nEntries* field specifies the number of entries in the multipart entity.

8.5.3 Multipart Entry

The multipart entry format is as follows:

Table 33. Multipart Entry Fields

Name	Туре	Purpose
HeadersLen	uintvar	Length of the <i>ContentType</i> and <i>Headers</i>
		fields combined
DataLen	uintvar	Length of the Data field
ContentType	multiple octets	The content type of the data
Headers	(HeadersLen – length of	The headers
	<i>ContentType</i>) octets	
Data	DataLen octets	The data

The HeadersLen field specifies the length of the ContentType and Headers fields combined.

The DataLen field specifies the length of the Data field in the multipart entry.

The *ContentType* field contains the content type of the data. It conforms to the Content-Type value encoding specified in section 8.4.2.24, "Content type field", above.

The *Headers* field contains the headers of the entry.

The Data field contains the data of the entry.

Appendix A Assigned Numbers

This section contains tables of the WSP/B assigned numbers. The WAP Architecture Group is responsible for administering the values.

Name	Assigned
	Number
Reserved	0x00
Connect	0x01
ConnectReply	0x02
Redirect	0x03
Reply	0x04
Disconnect	0x05
Push	0x06
ConfirmedPush	0x07
Suspend	0x08
Resume	0x09
Unassigned	0x10-0x3F
Get	0x40
Options (Get PDU)	0x41
Head (Get PDU)	0x42
Delete (Get PDU)	0x43
Trace (Get PDU)	0x44
Unassigned (Get PDU)	0x45-0x4F
Extended Method (Get PDU)	0x50-0x5F
Post	0x60
Put (Post PDU)	0x61
Unassigned (Post PDU)	0x62-0x6F
Extended Method (Post PDU)	0x70-0x7F
Reserved	0x80-0xFF

Table 34.	PDU Type	Assignments
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Table 35.	Abort Re	eason Code	Assignments
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Name	Description	Assigned Number
PROTOERR	Protocol error, illegal PDU received	0xE0
DISCONNECT	Session has been disconnected	0xE1
SUSPEND	Session has been suspended	0xE2
RESUME	Session has been resumed	0xE3
CONGESTION	The peer is congested and can not process the SDU	0xE4
CONNECTERR	The session connect failed	0xE5
MRUEXCEEDED	The Maximum Receive Unit size was exceeded	0xE6
MOREXCEEDED	The Maximum Outstanding Requests was exceeded	0xE7
PEERREQ	Peer request	0xE8
NETERR	Network error	0xE9
USERREQ	User request	0xEA

Table 36. Status Code Assignments				
HTTP Status Code	Description	Assigned Number		
none	reserved	0x00 to 0x0F		
100	Continue	0x10		
101	Switching Protocols	0x11		
200	OK, Success	0x20		
201	Created	0x21		
202	Accepted	0x22		
203	Non-Authoritative Information	0x23		
204	No Content	0x24		
205	Reset Content	0x25		
206	Partial Content	0x26		
300	Multiple Choices	0x30		
301	Moved Permanently	0x31		
302	Moved temporarily	0x32		
303	See Other	0x33		
304	Not modified	0x34		
305	Use Proxy	0x35		
400	Bad Request - server could not understand request	0x40		
401	Unauthorized	0x41		
402	Payment required	0x42		
403	Forbidden - operation is understood but refused	0x43		
404	Not Found	0x44		
405	Method not allowed	0x45		
406	Not Acceptable	0x46		
407	Proxy Authentication required	0x47		
408	Request Timeout	0x48		
409	Conflict	0x49		
410	Gone	0x4A		
411	Length Required	0x4B		
412	Precondition failed	0x4C		
413	Requested entity too large	0x4D		
414	Request-URI too large	0x4E		
415	Unsupported media type	0x4F		
500	Internal Server Error	0x60		
501	Not Implemented	0x61		
502	Bad Gateway	0x62		
503	Service Unavailable	0x63		
504	Gateway Timeout	0x64		
505	HTTP version not supported	0x65		

Table 36.	Status	Code	Assignments
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Capability	Assigned Number
Client-SDU-Size	0x00
Server-SDU-Size	0x01
Protocol Options	0x02
Method-MOR	0x03
Push-MOR	0x04
Extended Methods	0x05
Header Code Pages	0x06
Aliases	0x07
Unassigned	0x08 to 0x7F

Table 37	Canability	Assignments
	Capability	Assignments

Table 38. Well-Known Parameter Assignments

Token	Assigned Number	Expected BNF Rule for Value
Q	0x00	Q-value
Charset	0x01	Well-known-charset
Level	0x02	Version-value
Туре	0x03	Integer-value
Uaprof	0x04	Untyped-value
Name	0x05	Text-string
Filename	0x06	Text-string
Differences	0x07	Field-name
Padding	0x08	Short-integer

Table 39. Header Field Nam	
Name	Assigned Number
Accept	0x00
Accept-Charset	0x01
Accept-Encoding	0x02
Accept-Language	0x03
Accept-Ranges	0x04
Age	0x05
Allow	0x06
Authorization	0x07
Cache-Control	0x08
Connection	0x09
Content-Base	0x0A
Content-Encoding	0x0B
Content-Language	0x0C
Content-Length	0x0D
Content-Location	0x0E
Content-MD5	0x0F
Content-Range	0x10
Content-Type	0x11
Date	0x12
Etag	0x13
Expires	0x14
From	0x15
Host	0x16
If-Modified-Since	0x17
If-Match	0x18
If-None-Match	0x19
If-Range	0x1A
If-Unmodified-Since	0x1B
Location	0x1C
Last-Modified	0x1D
Max-Forwards	0x1E
Pragma	0x1F
Proxy-Authenticate	0x20
Proxy-Authorization	0x21
Public	0x22
Range	0x23
Referer	0x24
Retry-After	0x25
Server	0x26
Transfer-Encoding	0x27
Upgrade	0x28
User-Agent	0x29
Vary	0x2A
Via	0x2B
Warning	0x2C
WWW-Authenticate	0x2D
Content-Disposition	0x2E

 Table 39. Header Field Name Assignments

Content-Type	Assigned Number
/	0x00
text/*	0x01
text/html	0x02
text/plain	0x03
text/x-hdml	0x04
text/x-ttml	0x05
text/x-vCalendar	0x06
text/x-vCard	0x07
text/x-wap.wml	0x08
text/x-wap.wmlscript	0x09
text/x-wap.wta-event	0x0A
multipart/*	0x0B
multipart/mixed	0x0C
multipart/form-data	0x0D
multipart/byteranges	0x0E
multipart/alternative	0x0F
application/*	0x10
application/java-vm	0x11
application/x-www-form-urlencoded	0x12
application/x-hdmlc	0x13
application/x-wap.wmlc	0x14
application/x-wap.wmlscriptc	0x15
application/x-wap.wta-eventc	0x16
application/x-wap.uaprof	0x17
application/x-wap.wtls-ca-certificate	0x18
application/x-wap.wtls-user-certificate	0x19
application/x-x509-ca-cert	0x1A
application/x-x509-user-cert	0x1B
image/*	0x1C
image/gif	0x1D
image/jpeg	0x1E
image/tiff	0x1F
image/png	0x20
image/x-wap.wbmp	0x21
x-wap.multipart/*	0x22
x-wap.multipart/mixed	0x23
x-wap.multipart/form-data	0x24
x-wap.multipart/byteranges	0x25
x-wap.multipart/alternative	0x26
Unassigned	0x27-0x7F

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Language	Short	Assigned Number	Language	Short	Assigned Number
Afar		0x01	Maori		0x47
Abkhazian		0x02	Macedonian	mk	0x48
Afrikaans	af	0x03	Malayalam		0x49
Amharic		0x04	Mongolian		0x4A
Arabic		0x05	Moldavian		0x4B
Assamese		0x06	Marathi		0x4C
Avmara		0x07	Malay		0x4D
Azerbaijani		0x08	Maltese		0x4E
Bashkir		0x09	Burmese		0x4F
Byelorussian	be	0x0A	Nauru		0x50
Bulgarian	bg	0x0B	Nepali		0x51
Bihari	- 6	0x0C	Dutch	nl	0x52
Bislama		0x0D	Norwegian	no	0x53
Bengali; Bangla		0x0E	Occitan		0x54
Tibetan		0x0E 0x0F	(Afan) Oromo		0x55
Breton		0x01 0x10	Oriya		0x56
Catalan	ca	0x10	Punjabi		0x57
Corsican	cu	0x11 0x12	Polish	ро	0x58
Czech	cs	0x12 0x13	Pashto, Pushto	P0	0x59
Welsh	05	0x13 0x14	Portuguese	pt	0x5A
Danish	da	0x11	Quechua	Pt	0x5B
German	de	0x15 0x16	Rhaeto-Romance		0x5C
Bhutani	uc	0x10 0x17	Kirundi		0x5D
Greek	el	0x17 0x18	Romanian	ro	0x5E
English	en	0x10	Russian	ru	0x5F
Esperanto	CII	0x1) 0x1A	Kinyarwanda	Tu	0x60
Spanish	es	0x1A 0x1B	Sanskrit		0x61
Estonian	03	0x1D 0x1C	Sindhi		0x62
Basque	eu	0x1C 0x1D	Sangho		0x63
Persian	cu	0x1D 0x1E	Serbo-Croatian		0x64
Finnish	fi	0x1E 0x1F	Sinhalese		0x65
Fiji	11	0x11 0x20	Slovak	sk	0x66
Faeroese	fo	0x20 0x21	Slovenian	sl	0x67
French	fr	0x21 0x22	Samoan	51	0x68
Frisian	11	0x22 0x23	Shona		0x69
Irish	ga	0x23 0x24	Somali		0x69 0x6A
Scots Gaelic	gd	0x24 0x25	Albanian	sa	0x6B
Galician	gl	0x25 0x26	Serbian	sq sr	0x6C
Guarani	51	0x20 0x27	Siswati	51	0x6D
Gujarati		0x27 0x28	Siswall		0x6D 0x6E
Hausa		0x28 0x29	Sundanese		0x6E
Hebrew (formerly iw)		0x29 0x2A	Swedish	SV	0x01 0x70
Hindi		0x2A 0x2B	Swahili	SV	0x70
Croatian	hr	0x2B 0x2C	Tamil		0x71 0x72
Hungarian	hu	0x2C 0x2D	Telugu		0x72 0x73
Armenian	nu	0x2D 0x2E	Tajik		0x73 0x74
Interlingua		0x2E 0x2F	Tajik		0x74 0x75
	id				
Indonesian (formerly in)	id	0x30	Tigrinya		0x76
Interlingue		0x31	Turkmen		0x77

Table 41	ISO 639		Assignments
	100 033	Language	Assignments

Language	Short	Assigned Number	Language	Short	Assigned Number
Inupiak		0x32	Tagalog		0x78
Icelandic	is	0x33	Setswana		0x79
Italian	it	0x34	Tonga		0x7A
Inuktitut		0x35	Turkish	tr	0x7B
Japanese	ja	0x36	Tsonga		0x7C
Javanese		0x37	Tatar		0x7D
Georgian		0x38	Twi		0x7E
Kazakh		0x39	Uighur		0x7F
Greenlandic		0x3A	Ukrainian	uk	0x81
Cambodian		0x3B	Urdu		0x82
Kannada		0x3C	Uzbek		0x83
Korean	ko	0x3D	Vietnamese		0x84
Kashmiri		0x3E	Volapuk		0x85
Kurdish		0x3F	Wolof		0x86
Kirghiz		0x40	Xhosa		0x87
Latin		0x41	Yiddish (formerly ji)		0x88
Lingala		0x42	Yoruba		0x89
Laothian		0x43	Zhuang		0x8A
Lithuanian		0x44	Chinese	zh	0x8B
Latvian, Lettish		0x45	Zulu		0x8C
Malagasy		0x46			

The character set encodings are done using the MIBEnum values assigned by the IANA in the registry available in <URL:ftp://ftp.isi.edu/in-notes/iana/assignments/character-sets>. The following table provides just a quick reference:

Table 42. Character Set Assignment Examples			
Character set	Assigned Number	IANA MIBEnum value	
big5	0x07EA	2026	
iso-10646-ucs-2	0x03E8	1000	
iso-8859-1	0x04	4	
iso-8859-2	0x05	5	
iso-8859-3	0x06	6	
iso-8859-4	0x07	7	
iso-8859-5	0x08	8	
iso-8859-6	0x09	9	
iso-8859-7	0x0A	10	
iso-8859-8	0x0B	11	
iso-8859-9	0x0C	12	
shift_JIS	0x11	17	
us-ascii	0x03	3	
utf-8	0x6A	106	
gsm-default-alphabet	Not yet assigned	Not yet assigned	

Table 42. Character Set Assignment Examples

Appendix B Header encoding examples

This section contains some illustrative examples for how header encoding shall be applied.

B.1 Header values

The header values are given in HTTP/1.1 syntax together with the corresponding WSP/B header encoded octet stream.

B.1.1 Encoding of primitive value

HTTP/1.1 header: Accept: application/x-wap.wmlc

Encoded header:

0x80	Well-known field name "Accept" coded as a short integer
0x94	Well-known media "application/x-wap.wmlc" coded as a short integer

B.1.2 Encoding of structured value

HTTP/1.1 header: Accept-Language: en;q=0.7

Encoded header:

0x83	Well-known field name "Accept-Language"
0x02	Value length, general encoding must be applied.
0x99	Well-known language "English"
0x47	Quality factor 0.7 $(0.7 * 100 + 1 = 0x47)$

B.1.3 Encoding of well-known list value

HTTP/1.1 header: Accept-Language: en, sv

Encoded header:

0x83	Well-known field name "Accept-Language"
0x99	Well-known language "English"
0x83	Well-known field name "Accept-Language"
0xF0	Well-known language "Swedish"

B.1.4 Encoding of date value

HTTP/1.1 header: Date: Thu, 23 Apr 1998 13:41:37 GMT

Encoded header:

0x92	Well-known field name "Date"
0x04	Length of multi-octet integer
0x35	4 date octets encoded as number of seconds from 1970-01-01,
0x3f	00:00:00 GMT. The most significant octet shall be first.
0x45	
0x11	

B.1.5 Encoding of Content range

HTTP/1.1 header: Content-range: bytes 0-499/1025

Encoded header:

0x90	Well-known field name "Content-range"
0x03	Value length
0x00	First octet position
0x88	Entity length
0x01	Entity length

B.1.6 Encoding of a new unassigned token

HTTP/1.1 header: Accept-ranges: new-range-unit

Encoded header:

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0x84 -- Well-known field name "Accept-ranges"
'n''e''w''-''r''a''n''g''e''-''u''i''n''t' 0x00 -- Token coded as a null terminated text string
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B.1.7 Encoding of a new unassigned header field name

HTTP/1.1 header: X-New-header: foo

Encoded header:

'X' '-' 'N''e''w''-''h''e''a''d''e''r' 0x00	Field name coded as a null terminated text string
'f''o''o' 0x00	Field value coded as null terminated text string

B.1.8 Encoding of a new unassigned list-valued header

HTTP/1.1 header: X-New-header: foo, bar

Encoded header:

'X' '-' 'N''e''w''-''h''e''a''d''e''r' 0x00	Field name coded as a null terminated text string
'f''o''o' ',' 'b' 'a' 'r' 0x00	Field value coded as null terminated text string

B.2 Shift header code pages

This section illustrates how header code pages can be shifted.

B.2.1 Shift sequence

Shift to header code page 64

Encoded shift sequence:

0x7F	Shift delimiter
0x40	Page identity

B.2.2 Short cut

Shift to header code page 16

Encoded shift sequence:

0x10

-- Short cut shift delimiter

Appendix C Implementation Notes

The following implementation notes are provided to identify areas where implementation choices may impact the performance and effectiveness of the WSP protocols. These notes provide guidance to implementers of the protocols.

C.1 Confirmed Push and Delayed Acknowledgements

One of the features of the Wireless Transaction Protocol is delayed acknowledgement of transactions, which may significantly reduce the number of messages sent over the bearer network. However, this feature may also result in poor throughput for push traffic, especially if the server waits for a confirmed push to be acknowledged before starting the next confirmed push transaction. Use of delayed acknowledgements will make the push cycle to take at least one round-trip time plus the duration of the delayed acknowledgement timer. This effect will be even more pronounced when the bearer network has a long round-trip delay, since then WTP will typically use a larger delayed acknowledgement timer value.

The session layer protocol does not address this issue, because the WTP service interface does not include a means to effect the delayed acknowledgement timer. Rather, the control of that timer is a matter local to the implementation. If the performance implications are considered significant, an implementation should provide the service user with means to specify the largest acceptable acknowledgement delay for each push transaction. Forcing the delayed acknowledgement timer always to have a value that is small enough to provide good push throughput is not a good solution. This will prevent the remaining WTP message traffic associated with method requests from being optimised, and the number of messages sent over the air-interface will be doubled.

C.2 Handling of Race Conditions

Connection-mode WSP/B is layered on top of the service provided by the Wireless Transaction Protocol, which does not guarantee that transaction invocations and results arrive to the peer in the same order as in which the service user has submitted them. This results in certain race conditions, if method or push transactions are initiated while the session creation procedure has not yet been fully completed. In order to reduce protocol complexity WSP/B does not attempt to handle all of these gracefully, but in many cases simply chooses to abort the transaction caught in the race condition. As a consequence the reason for an aborted transaction may be reported to be DISCONNECT, ie, non-existent session, although the session actually exists and can be used. In such a case the service user should simply retry the transaction request.

This policy was chosen, since these race conditions were not considered frequent enough to make the cost of the additional protocol complexity worthwhile. However, if the problem is considered significant, it can still be alleviated using certain implementation strategies. First of all, if session management, method and push transactions are initiated so close together that the race conditions are possible, then WTP concatenation procedures should be capable of combining the resulting PDUs into the same transport datagram. WTP should also handle the concatenation and separation in such a manner that the order of operations is preserved, if the resulting PDUs are carried by the same datagram. This will ensure that the state machine of WSP/B will not need to react to primitives related to method and push transactions before it has had a chance to complete creation of the session.

If an implementation wants to prevent completely these kinds of race conditions, it can postpone the initiation of method and push transactions until the session creation process is fully complete – this is quite legal as far as the protocol peer is concerned. However, the resulting user experience may be considered unacceptably poor, if the used bearer has a very long round-trip time.

C.3 Optimising Session Disconnection and Suspension

The protocol requires all pending method and push transactions to be aborted, when a peer starts disconnecting or suspending a session. This may result in a burst of very short messages containing transaction abort PDUs being sent in addition to the actual Disconnect or Suspend PDU. However, all these PDUs are so short, that typically it will be possible to concatenate them into a single transport datagram. An implementation should ensure that it is able to concatenate the PDUs at the WTP level at least in this special case, so that the impact on the network will be minimised.

C.4 Decoding the Header Encodings

WSP/B defines compact binary encodings for HTTP/1.1 headers. One method used to achieve this is the use of context information to define, how a particular encoding is supposed to be interpreted, instead of encoding it explicitly. For instance, the header field name implies the format of the header field value. In a structured value, the position of each item implies its type, even if the binary encodings used to represent the values of different types may in fact be identical. The most obvious method, which an implementation can use to support this, is using a top-down strategy when parsing the header encoding.

C.5 Adding Well-known Parameters and Tokens

The header encoding defined by WSP/B imposes a strict syntax on the header field values. Within it only such values that have been assigned well-known binary identities in advance can be encoded very compactly. If an application turns out to use extensively token values and especially parameters, which have not been foreseen, the overhead of the required textual encoding may eventually be considered prohibitive. If updating the WSP/B specification so that a new protocol version is produced is not a viable approach, then more efficient encodings can still be implemented within the WSP/B framework. The application may introduce an extension header code page, which redefines the syntax for the appropriate standard HTTP/1.1 header so that the needed new well-known values are recognised. The application peers can then use WSP/B capability negotiation to agree on using this new code page. Once this has been done, the application can modify its header processing so, that the header defined on the new code page will be used instead of the standard header with the same name. The cost of shifting to the new code page should be only one extra octet, which should be more than offset by the more compact value encoding.