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| ***Title:*** | [5MBUSA]: Clarification of Nmb8 Protocol stacks wrt Unicast or Multicast usage. | | | | | | | | | |
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|  | *Use one of the following categories:* ***F*** *(correction)* ***A*** *(mirror corresponding to a change in an earlier release)* ***B*** *(addition of feature),* ***C*** *(functional modification of feature)* ***D*** *(editorial modification)*  Detailed explanations of the above categories can be found in 3GPP [TR 21.900](http://www.3gpp.org/ftp/Specs/html-info/21900.htm). | | | | | | | | *Use one of the following releases: Rel-8 (Release 8) Rel-9 (Release 9) Rel-10 (Release 10) Rel-11 (Release 11) … Rel-16 (Release 16) Rel-17 (Release 17) Rel-18 (Release 18) Rel-19 (Release 19)* | |
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# B.3 Packet Distribution Method

## B.3.1 Proxy mode

Figure B.3.1-1 illustrates a setup in which the MBS Application Provider (AF/AS) injects UDP datagrams directly into the MBSTF at reference point Nmb8. The MBSTF handles all MBS-related functions, e.g. applying the packet distribution methods processing UDP datagram headers and/or the IP packet headers, as required for distribution.



Figure B.3.1-1: Packet Distribution Method using Proxy mode

The following MBS Distribution Session properties are used by the MBS Application Provider (AF/AS) at reference point Nmb10 to provision this setup:

*- Distribution method* is set to *Packet.*

*- Distribution operating mode* is set to *Proxy.*

*-* The MBSF nominates the MBS-4-MC multicast group destination IP address and UDP ports to be used inside the Nmb9 unicast tunnel in the *User plane traffic flow information*.

- The MBSTF provides the *MBSTF ingest endpoint addresses* (property specific to the distribution method) via the MBSF to the MBS Application Provider (AF/AS) in order to receive the UDP datagram stream.

- When the *Packet ingest method* indicates *Multicast ingest*, then either the MBS Application Provider (AF/AS) nominates the multicast IP address and UDP port(s) to be used for reception at reference point Nmb8, or else the MBSF allocates these values.

- When the *Packet ingest method* indicates *Unicast ingest*, the MBSTF allocates a UDP reception port for use at reference point Nmb8 and provides the reception UDP port together with the reception IP address to the MBS Application Provider (AF/AS) via the MBSF. A unicast ingest packet delivery protocol is established that allows the control of the unicast stream.

## B.3.2 Forward-only mode

Figure B.3.2-1 illustrates a setup in which the MBS Application Provider (AF/AS) injects multicast IP packets encapsulated in a unicast UDP/IP tunnel directly into the MBSTF. The MBSTF decapsulates the multicast IP packets from the tunnel and forwards them unmodified to the MBS Session at reference point Nmb9.



Figure B.3.2‑1: Packet Distribution Method using Forward-only mode

The following MBS Distribution Session properties are used by the MBS Application Provider (AF/AS) at reference point Nmb10 to provision this setup:

*- Distribution method* is set to *Packet.*

*- Distribution operating mode* is set to *Forward-only.*

- *User plane traffic flow information* is omitted because ingested multicast packets are not modified.

*-* The MBSTF provides the *MBSTF ingest endpoint addresses* (property specific to the distribution method) via the MBSF to the MBS Application Provider (AF/AS) so that it can establish the UDP/IP tunnel with the MBSTF and start sending tunnelled IP packets. A unicast ingest packet delivery protocol is established that allows the control of the unicast stream.

## B.3.3 Streaming mode

Figure B.3.3-1 illustrates a setup in which the MBS Application Provider (AF/AS) pushes RTP/UDP packets directly into the MBSTF at reference point Nmb8. The MBSTF handles all MBS-related functions, i.e. applying the packet distribution methods processing headers such as adding AL-FEC, etc.



Figure B.3.3-1: Packet Distribution Method using Streaming mode

The following MBS Distribution Session properties are used by the MBS Application Provider (AF/AS) at reference point Nmb10 to provision this setup:

*- Distribution method* is set to *Packet.*

*- Distribution operating mode* is set to *Packet streaming.*

*-* The MBSF nominates the MBS-4-MC multicast group destination IP address and UDP ports to be used inside the Nmb9 unicast tunnel in the *User plane traffic flow information*.

- The MBSTF provides the *MBSTF ingest endpoint addresses* (property specific to the distribution method) to the MBS Application Provider (AF/AS) to receive the RTP stream.

- When the *Packet ingest method* indicates *Multicast ingest*, then either the MBS Application Provider (AF/AS) nominates the multicast IP address and UDP port(s) to be used for reception at reference point Nmb8, or else the MBSF allocates these values.

- When the *Packet ingest method* indicates *Unicast ingest*, the MBSTF allocates a UDP reception port for use at reference point Nmb8 and provides the reception UDP port together with the reception IP address to the MBS Application Provider (AF/AS) via the MBSF.

\*\*\*\* Last Change \*\*\*\*