

ATM Adaptation Layers

- Many of the most important characteristics of an ATM transmission are determined in the "Adaptation Layers" - or AALs
- The AALs determine how the native information is formatted into CS-PDUs and how the CS-PDUs are segmented into cells
- ▼There are currently three primary AALs
 - Three more are (or have been) under development
 - Roughly allign to classes of service, but not exactly now



Primary ATM Adaptation Layers

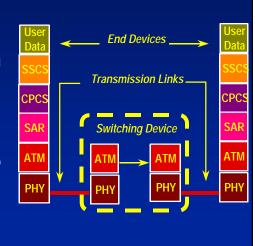
Service Class	ATM Adaptation Layer	Primary Type of Traffic	Source - Dest Timing Relation?	Current Interest Level	Complexity	Example	
А	1	CBR Connect. Oriented	Yes	High	Low	CBR Voice & Video (Circuit Emulation)	
D	3/4 (or 5)	VBR Conn'less	No	Medium (SMDS)	High	Conn'less Data	
С	5 (or 3/4)	VBR Connect. oriented	No	High	Low	Connection Oriented Data	

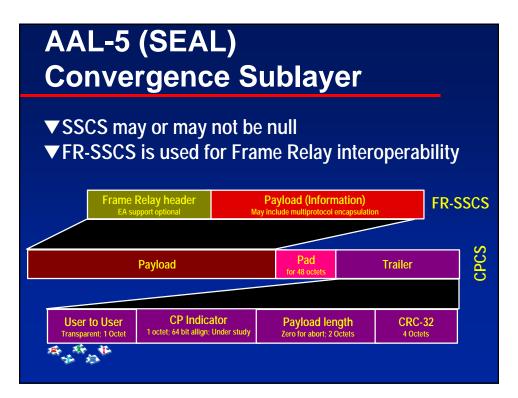
AAL-5 (SEAL)

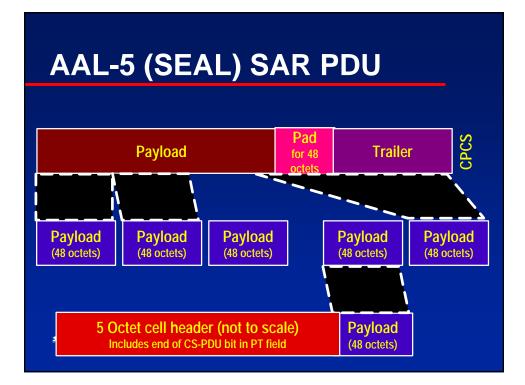
- Simple & Efficient Adaptation Layer
- ▼ Connection-oriented data
- All 48 cell payload octets for "user information"
- Convergence sublayer

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- CPCS "Common Part Convergences Sub-Layer"
 SSCS - "Service Specific
- CS"

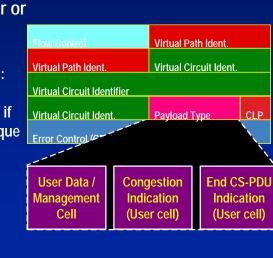




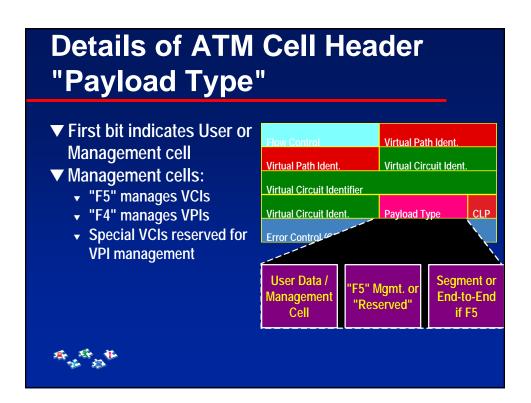


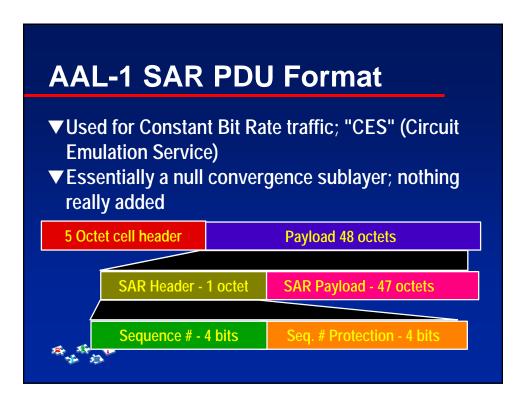
Details of ATM Cell Header "Payload Type"

- First bit indicates User or Management cell
- ▼ User cells:
 - Congestion indication: "FECN"-like
 - End of CS-PDU useful if each process has unique VPI/VCI
 - "0" indicates end; Parameter actually a "More"



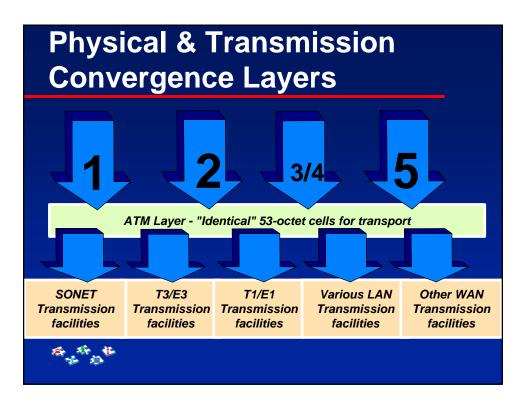
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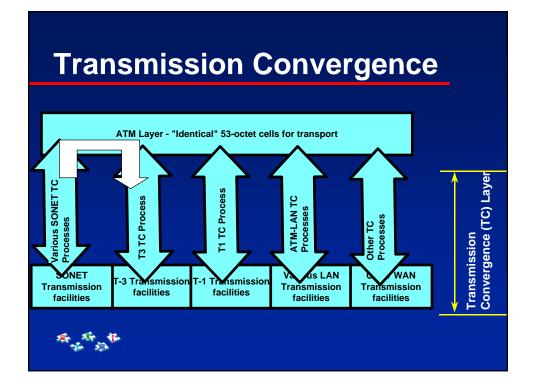




Additional Classes of ATM Service

Service Class	ATM Adaptation Layer	Type of Traffic	Source - Dest Timing Relation?	Current Interest Level	Complexity	Example
Y - ABR	5?	VBR - Low Cell Loss	Νο	High	Medium High	LAN Emulation
X - UBR	5 Core	Raw cell delivery	No	Medium	Low	Cell delivery inside service
В	2 (or possibly 5)	Variable Bit Rate (Conn. Oriented)	Yes	Medium	Medium	Packet Voice & Video





ATM Transmission Process (TC)

Once the information is divided into cells, it is formatted for transmission on a physical facility.
There are different TC formats for each type of facility (LANs, SONET, T3/E3, T1/E1, etc.)
ATM cells as SONET payload

Sonet Transport of Cells

- ▼ Current specs perform cell allignment via HEC
- COSET used with X-OR due to null cells
 - Still allows method for cell delineation
 - COSET X-OR'ed twice yields original

Original	0	0	1	1
COSET	1	0	1	0
XOR	1	0	0	1
COSET	1	0	1	0
XOR	0	0	1	1

