



NMOS Advanced Streaming Architecture AES3 Audio and more ...

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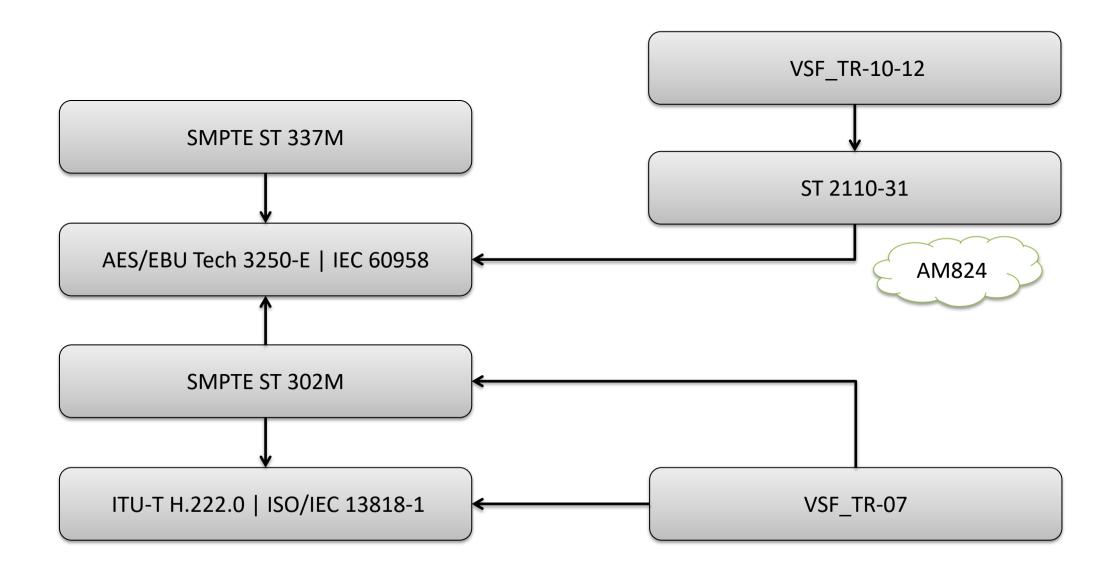
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Public GitHub Repository

- https://github.com/alabou/NMOS-MatroxOnly
 - README.md

- -NMOS With AES3.md
- -NMOS With AAC.md
- -NMOS With IPMX.md
- -NMOS With H.222.0.md

Standards



AES/EBU => AES3 Stream

sub-frame (20 to 24 bits)

Preamble Data 24

32 bit per sub-frame

sub-frame (16 to 20 bits)

Preamble Aux Data 20 V U C P

frame

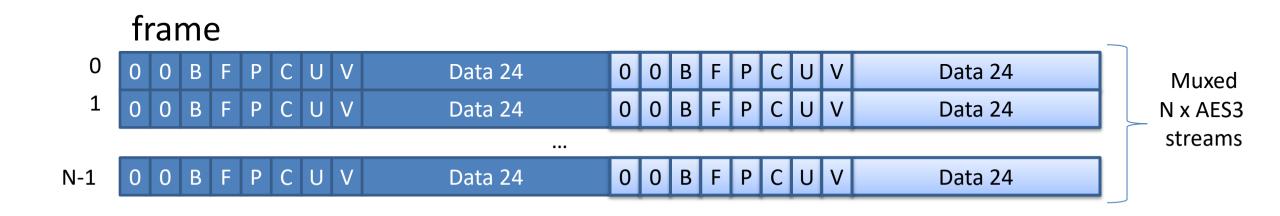


Restrictions over IP:

- standard implementation of the channel status as per section 7.2.2 of AES3 where only the byte 0, 1, 2 and 23 may have a non-zero value.
- unspecified, two-channel or stereoscopic channel modes only

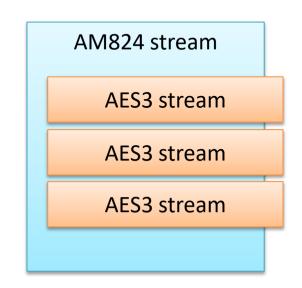
ST 2110-31 => AM824 Stream

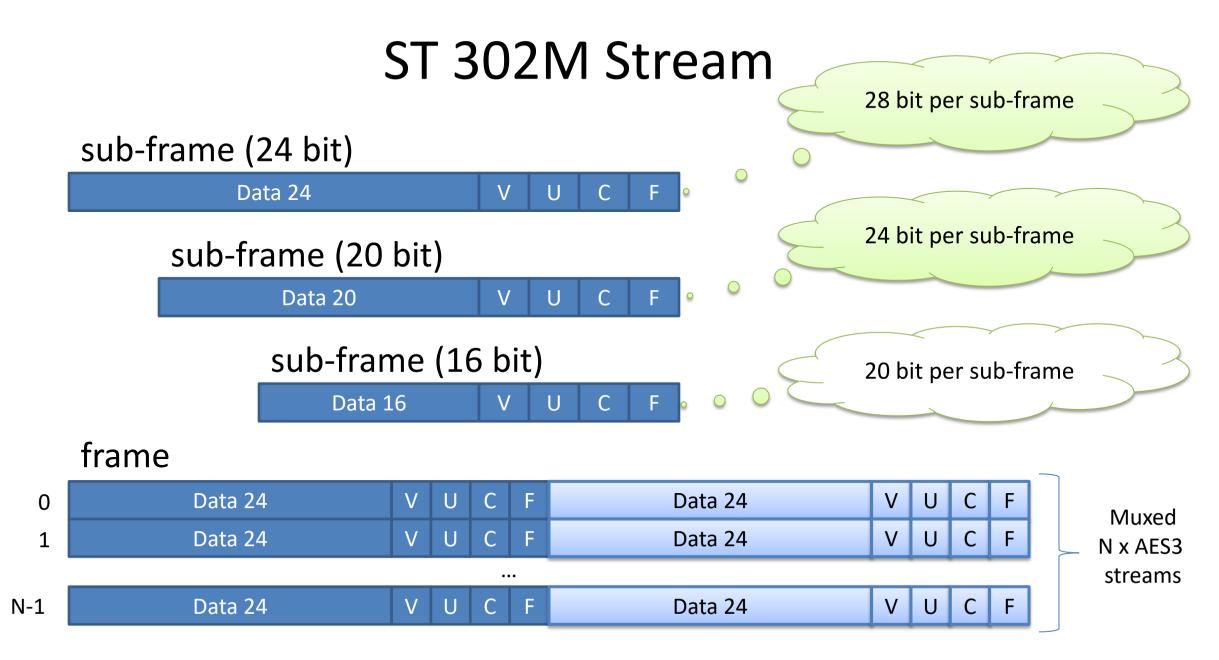




AM824 Stream

- Multiplexes multiple AES3 Streams
 - Per AM824 Stream
 - Maximum 3-40 AES3 stereo Streams
 - According to ptime and sampling rate (see ST 2110-31)
- SDP channel_order parameter
 - Provides channels to audio layer mapping





Two sub-frames are always a multiple of 8 bit (5, 6 or 7 bytes)

ST 302M Stream

- Multiplexes multiple AES3 Streams
 - Maximum 4 => 8 channels
 - Per MPEG2-TS elementary stream
- 48 KHz sampling rate
- Total number of channels
 - SUM of channels of each audio layer => SumOfChannels
- audio_layers
 - one layer per MPEG2-TS elementary stream
 - channel_identification parameter
 - ⇒ first channel of an elementary stream out of SumOfChannels

Modeling in NMOS with AM824 Streams

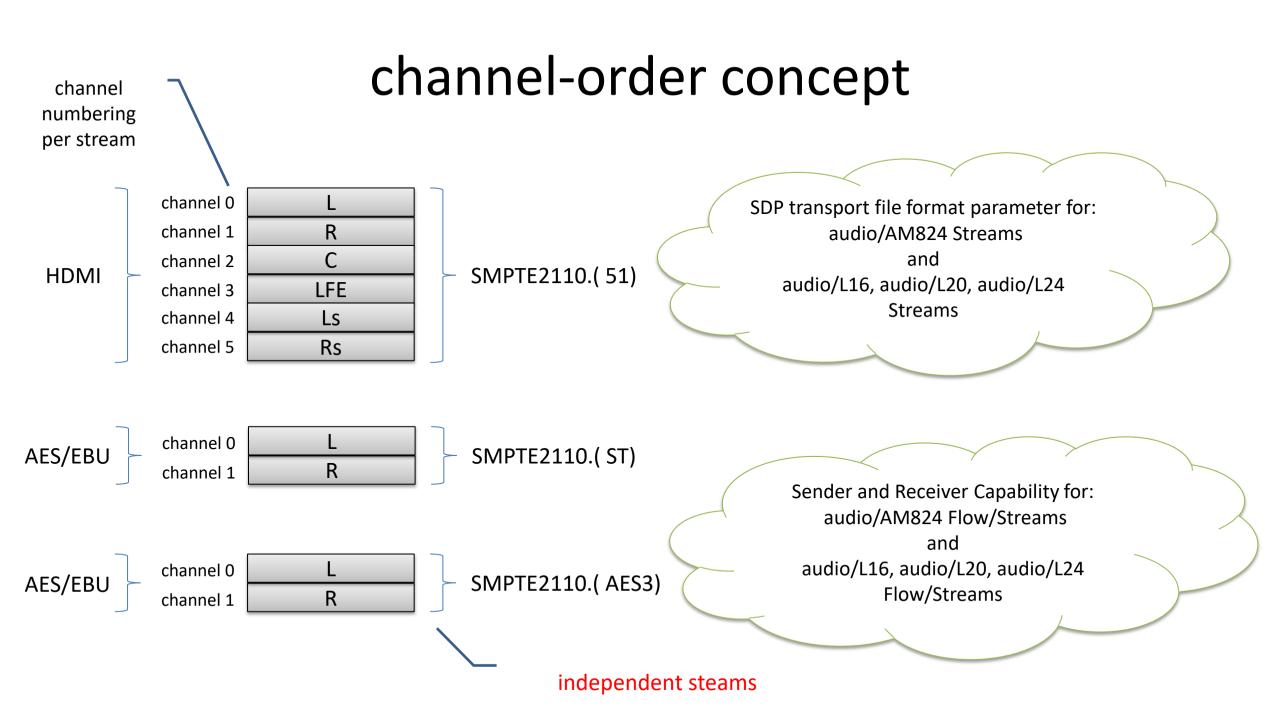
- Assuming AES3 "standard implementation" over IP
 - AES3 stream Channel Status (section 7.2.2 of AES3)
 - bytes 0, 1, 2 and 23 are allowed to be non-zero, all other bytes are 0
 - Only one coded audio stream
 - Only one linear PCM stereo stream
- AM824 Stream
 - Comprises multiple AES3 Streams as per ST 2110-31
 - Over RTP (linear PCM and/or coded audio)
 - AES3 count = channel_count / 2 (opaque and fully described)
 - Comprises multiple AES3 Streams as per ST 302M
 - Over MPEG2-TS (linear PCM and/or coded audio)
 - AES3 count = channel_count / 2 (opaque)
 - audio_layers = groups in SDP channel-order parameter

Modeling in NMOS with AM824 Streams

- media_type
 - application/AM824 => fully-described
 - mux Flow/Stream
 - audio/AM824 => opaque
 - audio Flow/Stream
 - audio sub-Flow/sub-Stream
- In an SDP transport file
 - audio/AM824 => ALWAYS
 - channel-order => ALWAYS

Modeling in NMOS with AM824 Streams

- AES/EBU interface
 - An AES3 Stream
 - May have enhanced functionalities (more than what is allowed over IP)
 - Multiple non-linear streams [1, 6]
 - On input => AES/EBU stream converted to AM824 Stream
 - Opaque or Fully Described
 - May or not keep the AES/EBU interface sample rate
 - On output => AM824 Stream converted to AES/EBU
 - Opaque or Fully Described
 - May or not keep the AM824 Stream sample rate



channel-order concept

- ST, 51 and 71 are linear PCM groups of 2, 6 and 8 channels
 - embedded as multiple AES3 Streams => 2 channels per linear AES Stream

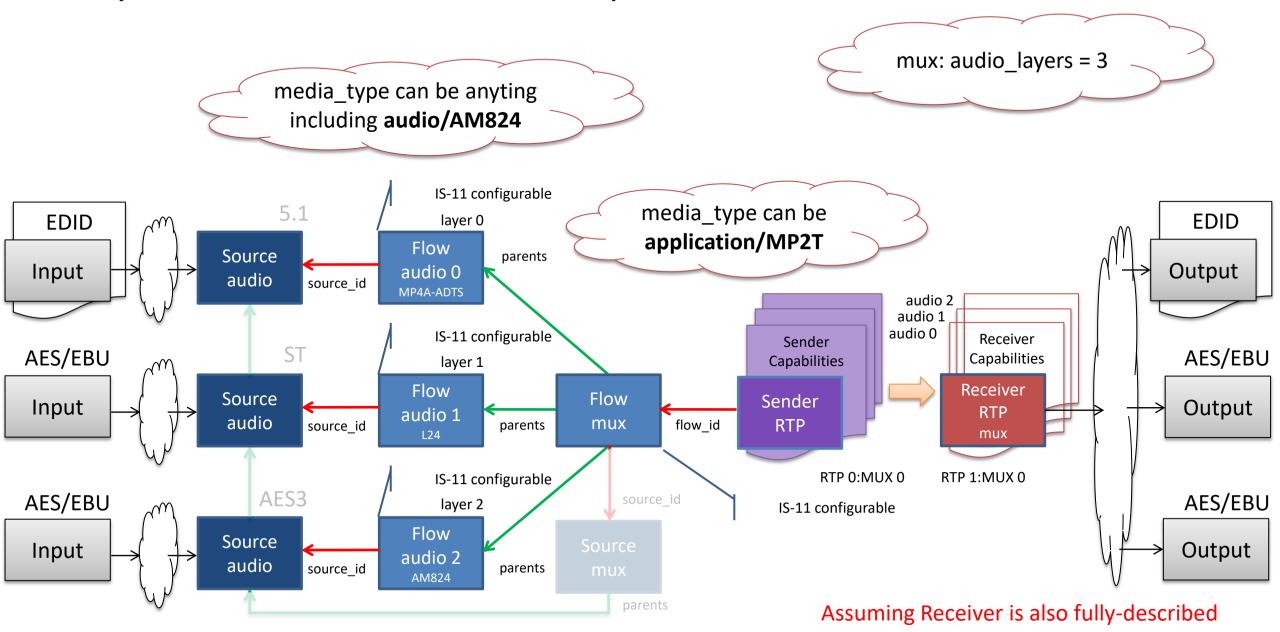
- AES3 is non-linear coded audio group
 - embedded as an AES3 Stream => 2 channels per non-linear AES stream

AES3 over MPEG2-TS

- An MPEG2-TS mux Stream
 - N audio layers => each layer could be
 - 1 coded audio (ex. audio/MP4A-ADTS)
 - 1 PCM audio (ex. audio/L24)
 - Produce channels/2 embedded linear PCM AES3 Streams
 - 1 opaque AM824 Stream (ex. audio/AM824)
 - MAY have channels/2 embedded AES3 Streams
 - » linear PCM and/or non-linear
 - ST 302M
 - Aggregate the AES3 Streams from PCM and AM824
 - audio_layers or channel-order ordering

coded audio not converted to ST 302M

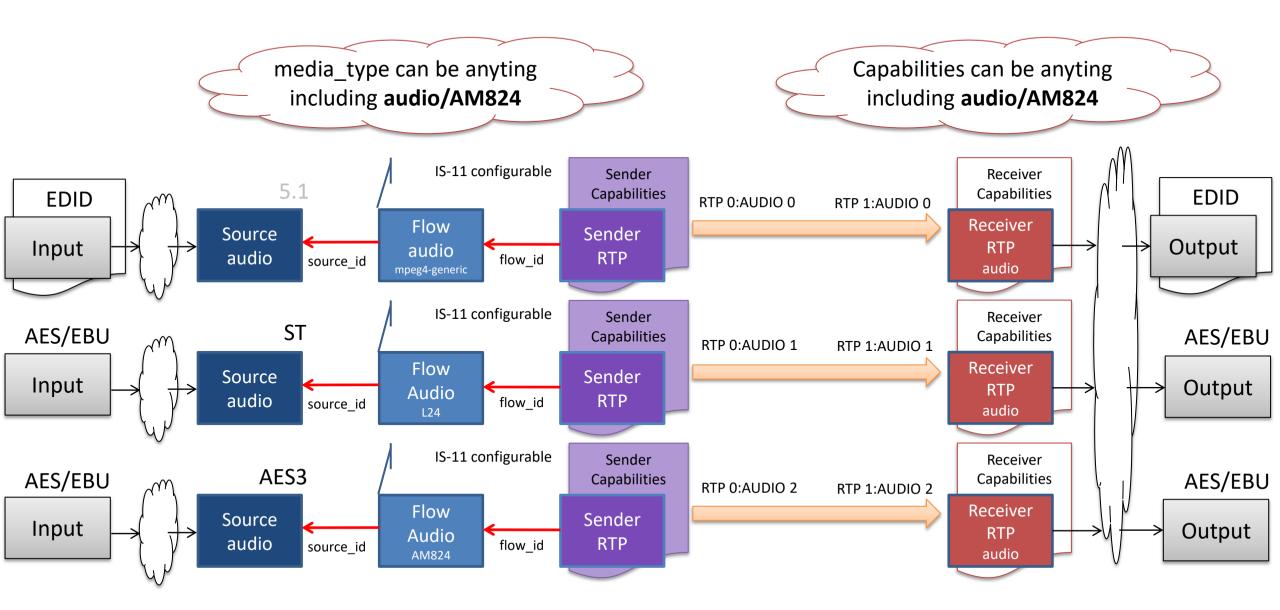
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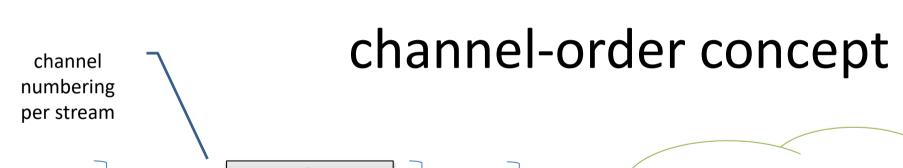


AES3 over RTP (not RFC 2250)

- An RTP audio or mux Stream
 - 1 coded audio (ex. audio/mpeg4-generic)
 - 1 PCM audio (ex. audio/L24)
 - 1 opaque AM824 Stream (ex. audio/AM824)
 - MAY have channels/2 embedded AES3 Streams
 - linear PCM and/or non-linear
 - 1 fully described AM824 Stream (ex. application/AM824)
 - MAY have audio_layers sub-streams => each layer could be
 - 1 PCM audio (ex. audio/L24)
 - » Produce channels/2 linear PCM AES3 Streams
 - 1 coded audio (ex. audio/MP4A-ADTS)
 - » Produce one non-linear AES3 Stream
 - ST 2110-31
 - Aggregate the AES3 Streams from PCM and coded audio
 - audio layers or channel-order ordering

Independent Audio Streams





channel 0 L AES3

HDMI

AAC codec from 5.1 channels to AES3

SDP transport file format parameter for:
audio/AM824 Streams
and
audio/L16, audio/L20, audio/L24 Streams



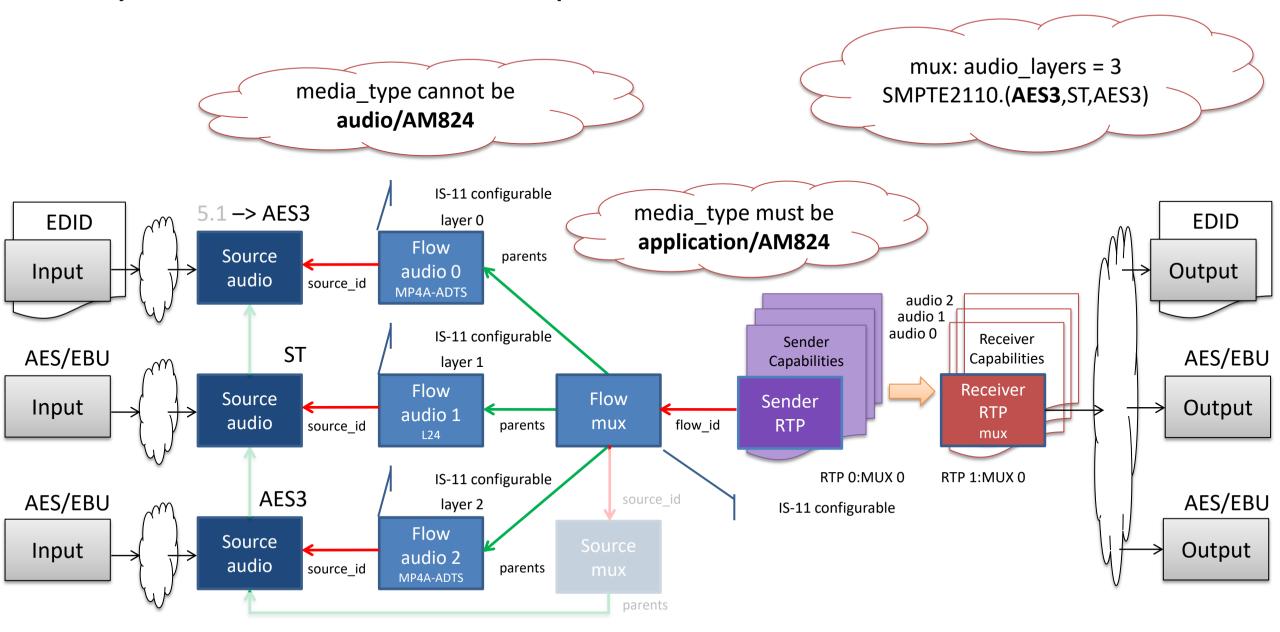
SMPTE2110.(AES3, ST, AES3)



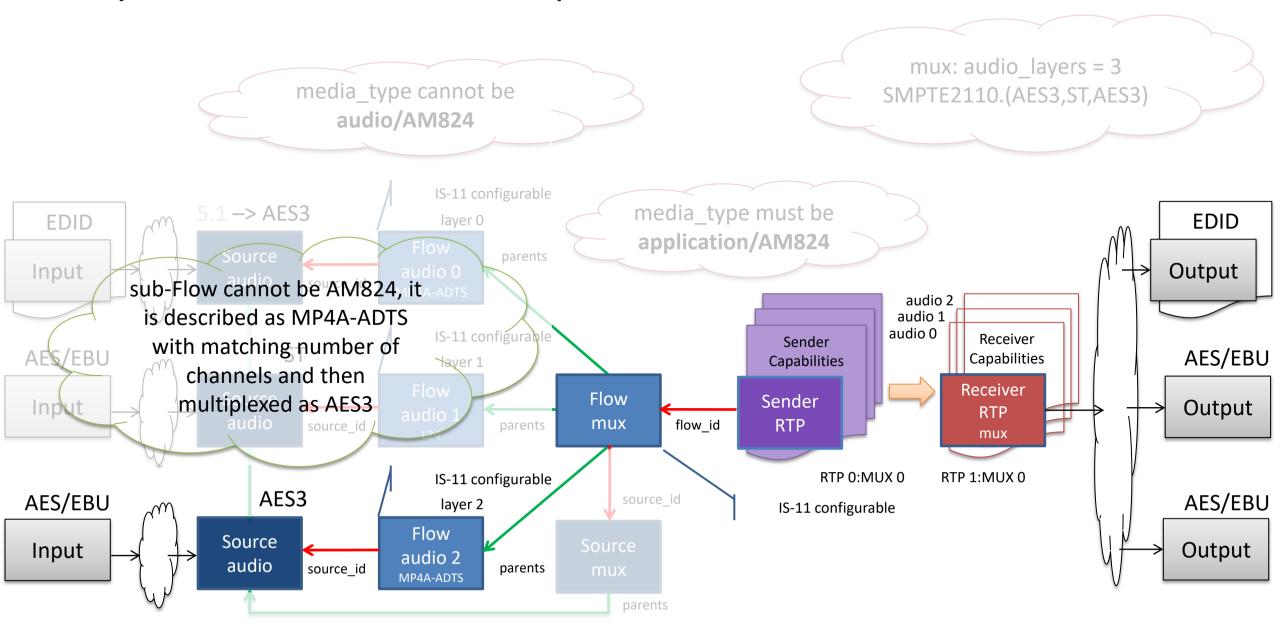
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Sender and Receiver Capability for:

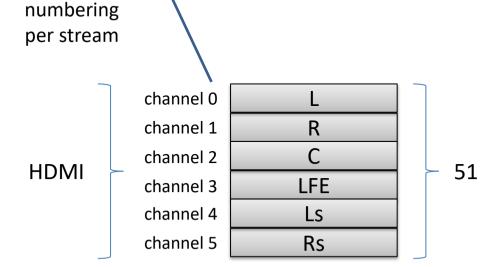
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channel





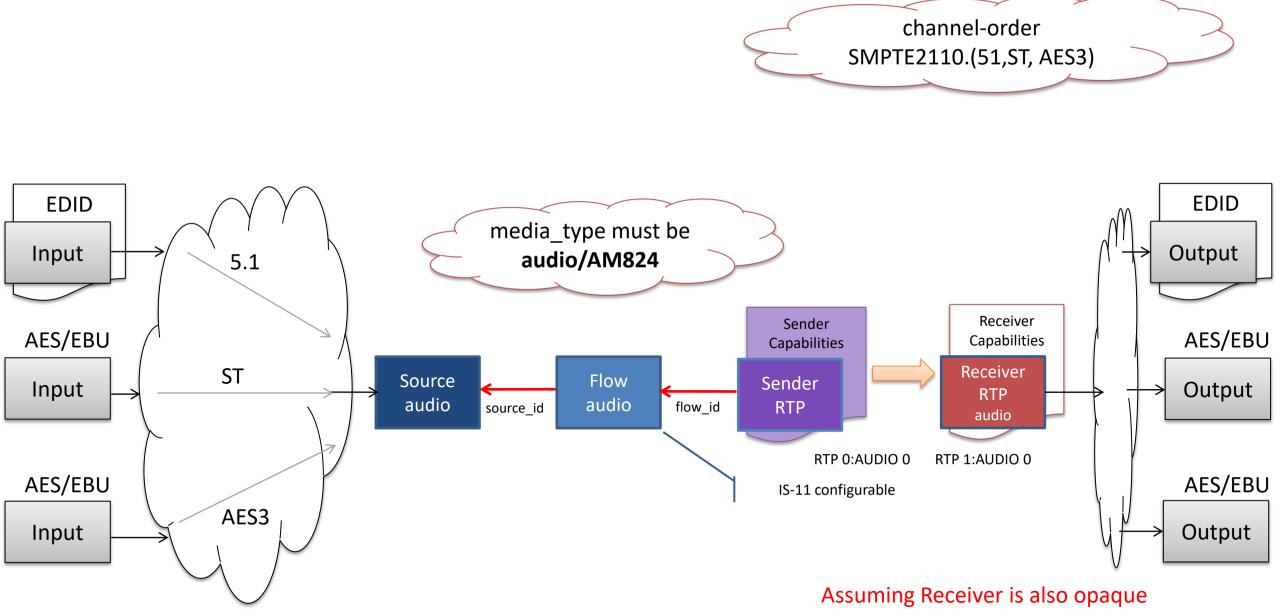
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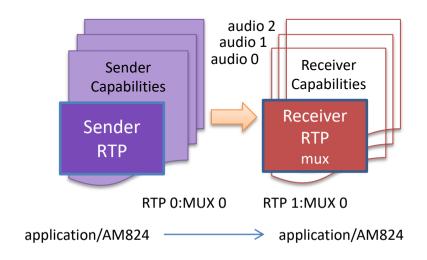
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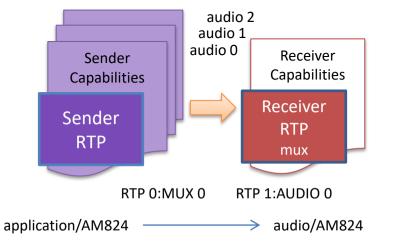
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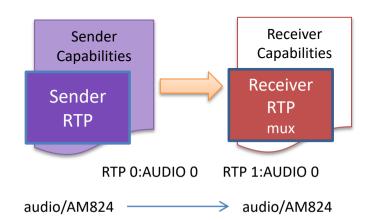
Opaque AM824 Multiplexed Audio sub-Streams

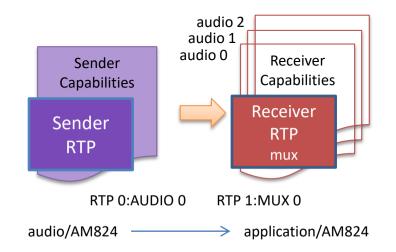


Opaque / Fully Described mix and match

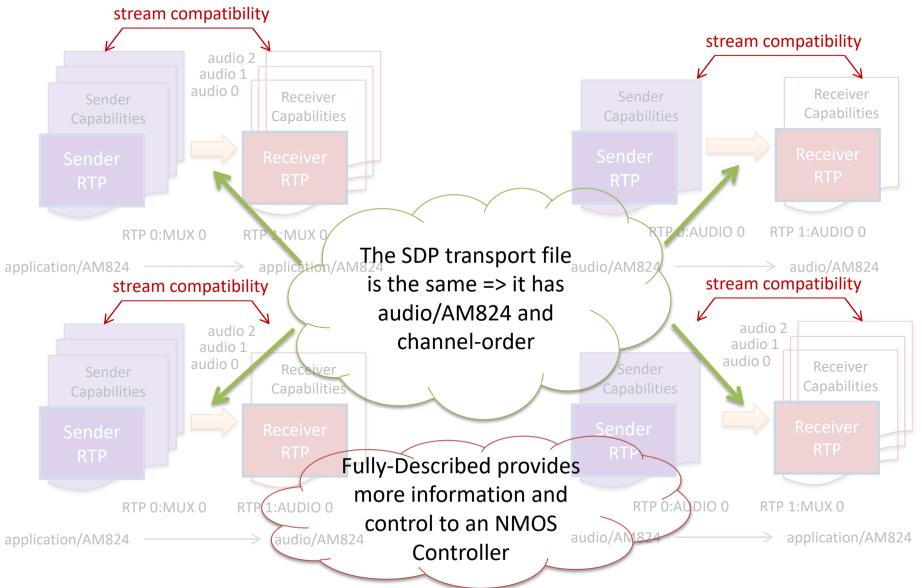








Opaque / Fully Described mix and match



 This concludes our overview of NMOS AES3 and AM824 audio, a key feature of Matrox NMOS Advanced Streaming Architecture.

• If you have any questions, feel free to reach out at abouchar@matrox.com.

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