

# Glossary

**Table 1: Changes to the naming conventions for Avaya hardware and software**

Previous name	New name
Multi-Carrier Cabinet (MCC)	Avaya MCC1 Media Gateway
Single-Carrier Cabinet (SCC)	Avaya SCC1 Media Gateway
DEFINITY® G3r	Avaya DEFINITY® Server R with Avaya SCC1 Media Gateway and/or Avaya MCC1 Media Gateway
DEFINITY® G3si	Avaya DEFINITY® Server SI with Avaya SCC1 Media Gateway and/or Avaya MCC1 Media Gateway
DEFINITY® G3csi or DEFINITY ProLogix	Avaya DEFINITY® Server CSI with Avaya CMC1 Media Gateway
DEFINITY BCS-ECS Call Processing Software (RXX)	Avaya Communication Manager
DEFINITY® BCS or DEFINITY® ECS	Avaya Communication Manager with Avaya CMC1 Media Gateway or Avaya SCC1 Media Gateway and/or Avaya MCC1 Media Gateway
DEFINITY ECS G3r	Avaya Communication Manager running on a DEFINITY Server R
IP600	Avaya S8100 Media Server with Avaya G600 Media Gateway
DEFINITY ONE™	Avaya S8100 Media Server with Avaya CMC1 Media Gateway
Enterprise CLass IP Solutions (ECLIPS)	For hardware (servers, gateways, and switches): Converged Infrastructure  For software (telephony, messaging, and Unified Communication Center): Avaya MultiVantage Communications Applications
CajunView™	Avaya MultiService Network Manager 4.5
CajunView™ Console	Avaya MultiService Console
ConfigMaster including EZ2Rule	Avaya MultiService Configuration Manager
UpdateMaster	Avaya MultiService Software Update Manager
VLANMaster	Avaya MultiService VLAN Manager
AddressMaster	Avaya MultiService Address Manager
SMON™	Avaya MultiService SMON Manager 5.0
VisAbility Management Suite	System and Network Management Suite

## Numerics

### 10/100

Fast Ethernet IEEE standard for 10-Mbps baseband and 100-Mbps baseband over unshielded twisted-pair wire.

### 10Base-T

IEEE standard for 10-Mbps baseband over unshielded twisted-pair wire.

### 800 service

A toll service that is provided by long distance telephone companies and local telephone companies in the US. With 800 service, the called party, rather than the calling party, is charged for the call. *See also* [Wide Area Telecommunications Service \(WATS\)](#).

## A

### AAC

ATM access concentrator

### AAR

*See* [Automatic Alternate Routing \(AAR\)](#).

### abandoned call

An incoming call during which the caller hangs up or “abandons” the call before the called party answers the call. When a caller abandons a call, the caller is often waiting in a queue for an appropriate answering position to become available.

### Abbreviated Dialing (AD)

A [feature](#) that callers can use to place calls by dialing only one digit or two digits.

### AC

*See* [Administered Connection \(AC\)](#).

### ACA

*See* [Automatic Circuit Assurance \(ACA\)](#).

### ACB

*See* [automatic calling unit \(ACU\)](#).

### access code

A dial code of 1 digit to 3 digits that is used to activate a [feature](#), cancel a feature, or access an outgoing [trunk](#).

### access endpoint

A nonsignaling channel on a [digital signal-1 \(DS1\)](#) interface, or a nonsignaling port on an [analog tie trunk circuit pack](#) to which a unique [extension](#) is assigned.

### Access Security Gateway (ASG)

An optional interface that can be used to secure the administration and maintenance [ports](#) on the system.

**access tie trunk**

A [trunk](#) that connects a main [communications system](#) with a tandem communications system in an [electronic tandem network \(ETN\)](#). An access [tie trunk](#) can also be used to connect a system or a tandem to a serving office or a service [node](#). Also called an *access trunk*.

**access trunk**

See [access tie trunk](#).

**ACD**

See [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\)](#). See also [work state](#).

**ACD agent**

See [agent](#).

**ACD split**

See [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\) split](#).

**ACD work mode**

See [work mode](#).

**acoustic echo cancellation (AEC)**

A signal processing technique that significantly reduces the coupling of a received audio signal back into an active microphone

**active association**

See [association](#).

**active-notification association**

A link that an [adjunct](#) initiates and uses to receive event reports for a specific [switch](#) entity, such as an outgoing call. See also [active-notification call](#); [active-notification domain](#); [adjunct](#).

**active-notification call**

A call for which event reports are sent to an [adjunct](#) over an [active-notification association](#). Also called a *monitored call*.

**active-notification domain**

A [vector directory number \(VDN\)](#) or the [extension](#) of an [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\) split](#) for which event notification is requested. See also [active-notification call](#); [active-notification association](#).

**ACU**

See [automatic calling unit \(ACU\)](#).

**ACW**

See [after-call work \(ACW\) mode](#).

**AD**

See [Abbreviated Dialing \(AD\)](#).

**ADAP**

See [Administration and Data Acquisition Package \(ADAP\)](#).

**ADC**

See [analog-to-digital converter \(ADC\)](#).

**Address Resolution Protocol (ARP)**

An Internet [protocol](#) (IETF STD 37, RFC 826) that is used to map dynamic Internet addresses to physical addresses on a [local area network \(LAN\)](#).

**adjunct**

A computer or other device that connects to a second device, and that performs one or more tasks for the second device. For example, the Avaya Intuity AUDIX system or the [Avaya Call Management System \(CMS\)](#) can be adjuncts to an Avaya DEFINITY Server. *See also* [adjunct-control association](#); [adjunct-controlled call](#); [adjunct-controlled split](#); [adjunct-monitored call](#).

**adjunct-control association**

A relationship that an application initiates to set up new calls and control calls that are already in progress. An application uses the Third Party Make Call [capability](#), the Third Party Take Control capability, or the Domain (Station) Control capability to initiate an adjunct-control association. *See also* [adjunct](#); [adjunct-controlled call](#); [adjunct-controlled split](#); [adjunct-monitored call](#).

**adjunct-controlled call**

A call that an application controls through an [adjunct-control association](#). To originate an adjunct-controlled call, the application must either use the Third Party Make Call [capability](#) or the Domain (Station) Control capability. To take control of an adjunct-controlled call, the application must use the Third Party Take Control capability or the Domain (Station) Control capability. *See also* [adjunct](#); [adjunct-controlled split](#); [adjunct-monitored call](#).

**adjunct-controlled split**

An [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\) split](#) that is administered to be under [adjunct](#) control. [Agents](#) who are logged in to an adjunct-controlled split must do all telephony work, log in to and out of the ACD, and make any changes to work mode through the [adjunct](#) (except for auto-available adjunct-controlled splits, whose agents may neither log in or out nor change work mode). *See also* [adjunct-control association](#); [adjunct-controlled call](#); [adjunct-monitored call](#).

**adjunct-monitored call**

An [adjunct-controlled call](#), [active-notification call](#), or other call that provides event reporting over a [domain-control association](#). *See also* [adjunct](#); [adjunct-control association](#); [adjunct-controlled split](#).

**Adjunct-Switch Application Interface (ASAI)**

A recommendation for interfacing [adjuncts](#) and [communications systems](#) to extend telephony [features](#) to adjuncts. ASAI provides for activities such as event notification and call control. The ASAI interface [protocol](#) is based on the [CCITT Q.932](#) specification for Layer 3.

**ADM**

asynchronous data module

**administer**

The process of setting up and changing parameters that are associated with the services or the [features](#) of a system. *See also* [system administrator](#).

**Administered Connection (AC)**

A [feature](#) that a [switch](#) uses to automatically establish end-to-end connections, and maintain those connections between access endpoints ([trunks](#)) and data endpoints ([data modules](#)).

**Administration and Data Acquisition Package (ADAP)**

A software package that a [system administrator](#) can use to transfer system user data, maintenance data, or traffic data from an Avaya Intuity AUDIX system to a personal computer.

**administration group**

*See* [capability group](#).

**administration terminal**

A terminal that is used to [administer](#) and maintain a system.

**Administration Without Hardware (AWOH)**

A [feature](#) that is used to [administer ports](#) without the need for associated [terminals](#) or other hardware.

**ADU**

See [asynchronous data unit \(ADU\)](#).

**Advanced Private-Line Termination (APLT)**

A term that denotes that a user has access to all the services of an associated [Enhanced Private Switched Communications Service \(EPSCS\)](#) or an associated [Common-Control Switching Arrangement \(CCSA\)](#) network.

**AE**

See [access endpoint](#).

**AEC**

See [acoustic echo cancellation \(AEC\)](#).

**after-call work (ACW) mode**

One of four [agent](#) work modes. In ACW mode, agents are unavailable to receive [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\)](#) calls. Agents enter the ACW mode to complete forms, or perform other activities that are related to a previous ACD call. See also [auto-in work mode](#); [aux work mode](#); [manual-in work mode](#).

**AG**

[Adjunct-Switch Application Interface \(ASAI\)](#) gateway

**agent**

A person or a device that receives calls that are directed to an [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\)](#) [hunt group](#) or an ACD [split](#). Also called an *ACD agent*.

**agent report**

A report that provides historical traffic information for internally measured [agents](#).

**AIM**

Asynchronous interface module

**AIOD**

Automatic Identification of Outward Dialing

**AIS**

See [alarm indication signal \(AIS\)](#).

**alarm**

A system-generated indication that a fault is present. See also [major alarm](#); [minor alarm](#).

**alarm indication signal (AIS)**

An SA signal that is inserted when a network element receives a faulty signal. The AIS is then forwarded downstream to tell the receivers what happened.

**ALBO**

Automatic line buildout

**all trunks busy (ATB)**

The state in which no [trunks](#) are available to handle calls.

**ALM, ALRM**

Alarm

**ALM-ACK**

Alarm acknowledge

**American National Standards Institute (ANSI)**

A professional technical association that supports standards for transmission, [protocol](#), and high-level languages, and that represents the US in the [International Organization for Standards](#). ANSI standards are for voluntary use in the US.

**American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII)**

The standard code that small computers use to convert letters, characters, numbers, and control codes into [digital](#) form. Each character is represented by an 8-bit code that includes a parity bit. *See also* [Extended Binary-Coded Decimal Interexchange Code \(EBCDIC\)](#).

**American Wire Gauge (AWG)**

The US standard to measure the gauge of copper, aluminum, and other nonferrous conductors.

**AMW**

automatic message waiting

**AN**

analog

**analog**

The representation of information by continuously variable physical quantities such as amplitude, frequency, and phase. *See also* [digital](#).

**analog data**

Data that is transmitted over a [digital](#) facility in analog form. The data must pass through a modem at both ends, or at a [modem pool](#) at the distant end.

**analog telephone**

A telephone that receives acoustic voice signals and sends [analog](#) electrical signals along the telephone line. Analog telephones are usually served by a single wire pair that is known as *tip and ring*. The model-2500 telephone set is an example of an analog telephone.

**analog-to-digital converter (ADC)**

A device that converts an [analog](#) signal to a [digital](#) signal. *See also* [digital-to-analog converter \(DAC\)](#).

**ANI**

*See* [Automatic Number Identification \(ANI\)](#).

**announcements**

Recorded messages that a telephone system plays for callers.

**ANSI**

*See* [American National Standards Institute \(ANSI\)](#).

**answerback code**

A number that is used to respond to a page from a code-calling or a loudspeaker-paging system, or to retrieve a parked call.

**AOL**

attendant-offered load

**AP**

*See* [applications processor \(AP\)](#).

**applications processor (AP)**

A special-purpose computer that attaches to a telephone system, and that is used for voice mail and other applications.

**APLT**

See [Advanced Private-Line Termination \(APLT\)](#).

**appearance**

A software process that supervises a call. An appearance is associated with an [extension](#), which can have multiple appearances. Also called [call appearance](#), *line appearance*, and *occurrence*.

**application programming interface (API)**

The programming interface between two software entities. For example, maintenance defines an API that is used as the interface between [Simple Management Network Protocol \(SNMP\)](#) and maintenance.

**application service element (ASE)**

See [capability group](#).

**architecture**

The organization or the structure of a system, including the system hardware and the system software.

**ARP**

See [Address Resolution Protocol \(ARP\)](#).

**ARS**

See [Automatic Route Selection \(ARS\)](#).

**ASAI**

See [Adjunct-Switch Application Interface \(ASAI\)](#).

**ASCII**

See [American Standard Code for Information Interchange \(ASCII\)](#).

**ASE**

application service element. See [capability group](#).

**ASG**

See [Access Security Gateway \(ASG\)](#).

**ASIC**

application-specific integrated circuit

**association**

A communication channel between an [adjunct](#) and a [switch](#) for the exchange of messages. An *active* association is an association that applies to an existing call on the switch, or to an [extension](#) on the call.

**asynchronous data transmission**

A method to transmit data in which each character is preceded by a start bit and followed by a stop bit. Asynchronous transmission is used to transmit data at irregular intervals, such as when a user types characters at a keyboard. Also called *asynchronous transmission*. See also [synchronous data transmission](#).

**asynchronous data unit (ADU)**

A device that is used to make a direct connection between [RS-232C](#) equipment and a [digital switch](#).

**Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM)**

A network technology that transfers cells or [packets](#) of data of a relatively small (53 bytes) and constant size over a fixed [channel](#) or a route that is established when the data transfer begins. Individually, a cell is processed asynchronously relative to other related cells, and is queued before being multiplexed over the transmission path. See also [Transmission Control Protocol \(TCP\)](#).

**Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM) network duplication**

An ATM-PNC configuration. A DEFINITY ECS without duplicated [switch processing elements \(SPEs\)](#) uses ATM network duplication for duplicated [expansion port network \(EPN\)](#) connectivity to other points on an ATM [network](#). These points can be on the same ATM [switch](#), separate ATM switches, or directly connected to an ATM [wide area network \(WAN\)](#). The performance of ATM network duplication and critical reliability is the same. *See also* [Asynchronous Transfer Mode \(ATM\)](#).

**ATA**

*See* [Enhanced Integrated Drive Electronics \(EIDE\)](#).

**ATB**

*See* [all trunks busy \(ATB\)](#).

**ATD**

*See* [attention dial \(ATD\)](#).

**ATM**

*See* [Asynchronous Transfer Mode \(ATM\)](#).

**attendant**

A person who uses an [attendant console](#).

**attendant console**

A workstation that an [attendant](#) uses to originate a call, answer an incoming call, transfer a call to another [extension](#) or [trunk](#), put a call on hold, or remove a call from hold. Attendants can also use the console to manage and monitor some system operations. Also called *console*.

**attention dial (ATD)**

A command in the Hayes modem command set for asynchronous modems.

**Audio Information Exchange (AUDIX)**

A fully integrated voice mail system that can be used with a variety of communications systems to provide call-history data, such as subscriber identification and reason for redirection.

**AUDIX**

*See* [Audio Information Exchange \(AUDIX\)](#).

**auto-in trunk group**

A [trunk group](#) for which the [central office \(CO\)](#) processes all the digits for an incoming call. When a CO seizes a [trunk](#) from an auto-in trunk group, the [switch](#) automatically connects the trunk to the destination, which is usually an [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\) split](#). If no [agents](#) in the split are available to answer the call, the call is sent to a queue. In the queue, calls are answered in the order in which the calls arrive.

**auto-in work mode**

One of four [agent](#) work modes. In the auto-in work mode, an agent is ready to process another call as soon as the agent completes the current call. *See also* [after-call work \(ACW\) mode](#); [aux work mode](#); [manual-in work mode](#).

**Automatic Alternate Routing (AAR)**

A [feature](#) that routes calls to other than the first-choice route when the first-choice route is unavailable.

**Automatic Callback (ACB)**

A [feature](#) for internal callers who reach a busy [extension](#). With ACB, the system automatically connects and rings both parties when the called party is available.

**Automatic Call Distribution (ACD)**

A [feature](#) that answers calls, and then follows administered instructions to deliver appropriate messages to the caller, or route the call to an [agent](#). *See also* [Uniform Call Distribution \(UCD\)](#).

**Automatic Call Distribution (ACD) split**

A group of [extensions](#) that are staffed by [agents](#) who are trained to handle a certain type of incoming call, and a method of routing calls of a certain type among those agents in a call center.

**automatic calling unit (ACU)**

A device that places a telephone call on behalf of a computer.

**Automatic Circuit Assurance (ACA)**

A feature that tracks calls of unusual duration to help with troubleshooting. A high number of very short calls, or a low number of very long calls might indicate a faulty [trunk](#).

**automatic incoming trunk**

*See* [automatic trunk](#).

**Automatic Number Identification (ANI)**

Representation of the calling number, for display or to use to obtain information about the caller.

**automatic restoration**

A service that restores disrupted connections between access endpoints (nonsignaling [trunks](#)) and data endpoints (devices that connect the [switch](#) to [data terminal equipment \(DTE\)](#) or communications equipment). The connections are restored within seconds of a service disruption, so that critical data applications are uninterrupted.

**Automatic Route Selection (ARS)**

A [feature](#) with which the system can be administered to automatically choose the most cost-effective way to send a toll call.

**automatic tie trunk**

*See* [automatic trunk](#).

**automatic trunk**

A [trunk](#) that does not need addressing information because the destination is predetermined. A request for service on the trunk, which is called a *seizure*, is sufficient to route the call. The normal destination of an automatic trunk is the [attendant](#) group of a communications system. Also called *automatic incoming trunk* and *automatic tie trunk*.

**AUX**

auxiliary

**auxiliary equipment**

Equipment that is needed for optional system [features](#), such as Loudspeaker Paging and Music on Hold.

**auxiliary trunk**

A [trunk](#) that connects [auxiliary equipment](#), such as radio-paging equipment, to a communications system.

**aux work mode**

One of four [agent](#) work modes. In aux work mode, agents are unavailable to receive [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\)](#) calls. Agents enter aux-work mode when the agents engage in non-ACD activities, such as taking a break from work or placing an outgoing call. *See also* [after-call work \(ACW\) mode](#); [auto-in work mode](#); [manual-in work mode](#).

**Avaya Call Management System (CMS)**

An application that runs on an [adjunct](#) processor, and that collects information from an [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\)](#) unit. Customers use Avaya CMS to generate reports on the status of [agents](#), [splits](#), [trunks](#), [trunk groups](#), [vectors](#), and [vector directory numbers \(VDNs\)](#). Customer then use this information to monitor and manage telemarketing centers. Customers can also use CMS to partially administer the ACD feature for a communications system.

**Avaya Communication Manager**

An open, scalable, highly reliable, and secure telephony application. Communication Manager provides user functionality and system management functionality, intelligent call routing, application integration and extensibility, and Enterprise Communications networking.

**Avaya Media Gateway**

A family of application-enabling hardware elements that includes intraswitch connectivity, control interfaces, [port interfaces](#), and [cabinets](#). Avaya Media Gateways support both bearer traffic and signaling traffic that is routed between [packet-switched](#) networks and [circuit](#)-switched networks to deliver data, voice, fax and messaging capabilities. Avaya Media Gateways provide protocol conversion (IP to ATM to TDM), conferencing, presence (on-hook/off-hook), connectivity (to [private networks](#) and [public networks](#), IP/ATM/TDM) and networking (QSIG/DCS/ISDN). Optional form factors are supported.

**Avaya Media Server**

A family of application-enabling processing platforms that are based on open CPUs and industry-standard operating systems. Avaya Media Servers provide centralized Enterprise Class call processing that can be distributed across a multiprotocol [network](#) that includes, but is not limited to, [Internet Protocol \(IP\)](#). In addition to supporting a highly diversified network [architecture](#), Avaya Media Servers provide user functionality, system management functionality, intelligent call routing, application integration, mobility, and conferencing.

**Avaya MultiService Console**

The fault management infrastructure for a data switching environment that interfaces with device management and provides event reporting and alarming.

**Avaya MultiService Network Manager**

The [network](#) management platform that is used with the Avaya product family.

**Avaya Policy Manager**

Software that implements policy management for Avaya products.

**AVD**

alternate voice and data

**AWG**

See [American Wire Gauge \(AWG\)](#).

**AWOH**

See [Administration Without Hardware \(AWOH\)](#).

**AWT**

average work time

**B****B8ZS**

See [Bipolar Eight Zero Substitution \(B8ZS\)](#).

**bandwidth**

The width of a communications [channel](#). In [analog](#) communications, bandwidth is measured in cycles per second or *Hertz*. In [digital](#) communications, bandwidth is measured in bits per second.

**barrier code**

A security code that is used with the Remote Access feature to prevent unauthorized access to the system.

**Basic Rate Interface (BRI)**

See [Integrated Services Digital Network Basic Rate Interface \(ISDN-BRI\)](#).

**B-channel**

See [bearer channel \(B-channel\)](#).

**BCC**

See [Bearer Capability Class \(BCC\)](#).

**BCMS**

Avaya Basic Call Management System

**BCT**

See [business communications terminal \(BCT\)](#).

**Bearer Capability Class (BCC)**

A code that identifies the type of a call, such as a voice call and different types of data calls. Determination of BCC is based on the characteristics of the caller for non-[ISDN](#) endpoints, and on the Bearer Capability and Low-Layer Compatibility [information elements \(IEs\)](#) of an ISDN endpoint. Current BCCs are 0 (voice-grade data and voice), 1 (DMI mode 1, 56-kbps data transmission), 2 (DMI mode 2, [synchronous data transmission](#) or [asynchronous data transmission](#) up to 19.2 kbps), 3 (DMI mode 3, 64-kbps [circuit/packet](#) data transmission), 4 (DMI mode 0, 64-kbps synchronous data), 5 (temporary signaling connection), and 6 ([wideband](#) call, 128 kbps to 1984 kbps synchronous data).

**bearer channel (B-channel)**

A 64-kbps channel or a 56-kbps channel that carries a variety of [digital](#) information streams. A B-channel carries voice at 64 kbps, data at up to 64 kbps, [wideband](#) voice encoded at 64 kbps, and voice at less than 64 kbps, alone or combined. See also [data channel \(D-channel\)](#).

**BER**

See [bit error rate \(BER\)](#).

**BGP**

See [Border Gateway Protocol \(BGP\)](#).

**BHCC**

busy hour call capacity

**Bipolar Eight Zero Substitution (B8ZS)**

A line-coding technique that is used in North American [T1 circuits](#) and [ISDN-PRI](#) circuits. To guarantee ones density, B8ZS removes an octet of all zeros, and replaces the octet with a pattern that contains bipolar line violations in specific bit locations. A B8ZS receiver removes the octet with the substituted pattern, and replaces that octet with the original octet of all zeros.

**bit error rate (BER)**

The percentage of bits that are received in error compared to the number of bits that are sent.

**bit rate**

See [data rate](#).

**BLF**

busy lamp field

**BN**

billing number

**Border Gateway Protocol (BGP)**

A [TCP/IP](#) routing [protocol](#) for interdomain routing in large [networks](#). BGP is defined by RFC 1163.

**BOS**

bit-oriented signaling

**BPN**

billed-party number

**BRI**

See [Integrated Services Digital Network Basic Rate Interface \(ISDN-BRI\)](#).

**bridge**

A device that is generally used to connect segments of a [local area network \(LAN\)](#) to other LAN segments or to a [wide area network \(WAN\)](#). A bridge routes traffic on the Level 2 LAN [protocol](#) (for example, the [MAC](#) address), which occupies the lower sublayer of the LAN [Open Systems Interconnect \(OSI\) data link](#) layer. A bridge can be equipped to provide frame relay support to the LAN devices that the bridge serves. A bridge that provides frame relay support encapsulates LAN frames in frame relay frames. The bridge then feeds those frame relay frames to a frame relay switch for transmission across the [network](#). A bridge that provides frame relay support also receives frame relay frames from the network, strips the frame relay frame off each LAN frame, and passes the LAN frame on to the end device. See also [router](#).

**bridged appearance**

A [call appearance](#) on one telephone that matches a call appearance on another telephone for the duration of a call.

**buffer**

(1) For hardware, a [circuit](#) or a component that isolates one electrical circuit from another. Usually, a buffer holds data from one circuit or one process until another circuit or process is ready to accept the data. (2) For software, an area of memory that is used for temporary storage.

**bus**

A multiconductor electrical path that is used to transfer information over a common connection from any of several sources to any of several destinations. See also [packet bus](#); [time-division multiplex \(TDM\) bus](#).

**business communications terminal (BCT)**

A [digital data terminal](#) for business applications. A BCT can use a [data module](#) to function as a special-purpose [terminal](#) for services that are provided by a processor. A BCT can also function as a terminal for data entry and data retrieval.

**BX.25**

A version of the [CCITT X.25 protocol](#) for data communications. BX.25 adds a fourth level to the standard X.25 interface. This uppermost level combines levels 4, 5, and 6 of the [International Organization for Standards \(ISO\)](#) reference model.

**bypass tie trunk**

A one-way, outgoing [tie trunk](#) from a [tandem switch](#) to a main switch in an [electronic tandem network \(ETN\)](#). Bypass tie trunks are provided in limited quantities as a last-choice route when all trunks to another tandem switch are busy.

## C

**cabinet**

A container for racks, shelves, or carriers that hold electronic equipment.

**cable**

A wire or a group of wires that is used to connect a piece of equipment and a termination field, or to connect two pieces of equipment, such as a [data terminal](#) and a modem.

**cable connector**

A jack (female) or plug (male) on the end of a cable. A cable connector connects wires on a cable to specific leads on telephone equipment or data equipment.

**cache**

A section of high-speed memory that holds blocks of data that the CPU is currently working on. The purpose of a cache is to decrease the time that the CPU must spend to access memory.

**CACR**

cancellation of authorization code request

**CAG**

coverage answer group

**Cajun**

An obsolete term that was previously used to describe Avaya data networking products.

**call accounting system (CAS)**

A device that consists of hardware and software, and that attaches to a telephone system. A CAS is used to record information about telephone calls, organize that information into usable data, and provide reports on telephone usage.

**call appearance**

A button that is used to place outgoing calls, receive incoming calls, and hold calls. Two lights next to the button show the status of the call appearance. An attendant console has six call appearance buttons that are labeled *a* through *f*. A telephone has a single call appearance button that is labeled with an [extension](#) number. *See also* [appearance](#).

**Call Detail Recording (CDR)**

A [feature](#) that uses software and hardware to record call data. CDR was formerly called Station Message Detail Recording (SMDR). *See also* [Call Detail Recording utility \(CDRU\)](#).

**Call Detail Recording utility (CDRU)**

Software that collects, stores, filters, and provides output of call detail records. *See also* [Call Detail Recording \(CDR\)](#).

**Call Management System (CMS)**

*See* [Avaya Call Management System \(CMS\)](#).

**call vector**

A set of commands that are performed for an incoming call or an internal call. A call vector is used to provide customized and personalized call routing and treatment. *See also* [vector-controlled split](#); [vector directory number \(VDN\)](#).

**call work code (CWC)**

A number that an [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\) agent](#) uses to record the occurrence of customer-defined events on ACD calls. CWCs can contain up to 16 digits. Agents often use account codes, social security numbers, or telephone numbers for CWCs.

**callback call**

A call that automatically returns to a telephone on which the [Automatic Callback \(ACB\)](#) feature or the Ringback Queuing feature is active.

**call-control capabilities**

[Capabilities](#) (Third Party Selective Hold, Third Party Reconnect, Third Party Merge) that can be used in either of the Third Party Call Control ASE (cluster) subsets Call Control and Domain Control.

**Caller ID (CID)**

See [Incoming Call Identifier \(ICI\)](#).

**Caller's Emergency Service Identification (CESID)**

A telephone [extension](#) that a [switch](#) sends to a [public safety answering point \(PSAP\)](#). A CESID helps to locate callers who require emergency 911 services.

**call reference value (CRV)**

An identifier within [ISDN](#) messages that associates a related sequence of messages. In [Adjunct-Switch Application Interface \(ASAI\)](#), CRVs distinguish between [associations](#).

**call waiting ringback tone**

A tone that notifies the [attendant](#) that the Attendant Call Waiting feature is active, and that the called party knows about the waiting call. In the US, A call waiting ringback tone is the same as a ringback tone, except that the call waiting ringback tone decreases in the last 0.2 seconds. Tones in other countries might sound different.

**CAMA**

See [centralized automatic message accounting \(CAMA\)](#).

**capability**

A request for an operation or an indication of an operation. For example, Third Party Make Call is a request to set up a call, and event report is an indication that an event occurred.

**capability group**

A set of [capabilities](#) that an application can request. Capability groups, which are determined by [switch](#) administration, denote [association](#) types. For example, Call Control is a type of association that allows certain functions (the functions in the capability group) to be performed over this type of association. Also called an *administration group* or an *application service element (ASE)*.

**carried load**

The amount of traffic that traffic-sensitive facilities serve during a given interval.

**carrier**

An enclosed shelf that contains vertical slots that hold [circuit packs](#).

**CARR-POW**

carrier port and power unit for AC-powered systems

**CAS**

(1) Centralized [attendant](#) service; (2) [call accounting system](#); (3) [channel associated signaling](#).

**cascade module**

A module that is used to connect the [Avaya G700 Media Gateway](#) and other Avaya data networking products to the [Octaplane](#).

**CA-TSC**

call-associated temporary signaling connection

**cause value**

A value that is returned in response to requests, or in event reports when a denial or an unexpected condition occurs. [Adjunct-Switch Application Interface \(ASAI\)](#) cause values fall into two coding standards, 0 and 3. Coding standard 0 includes any cause values that are part of AT&T and [CCITT ISDN](#) specifications. Coding standard 3 includes any other ASAI cause values. The notation for cause value gives the coding standard first, followed by a slash, and then the cause value. For example, CS0/100 is coding standard 0, cause value 100.

**CBC**

(1) call-by-call; (2) coupled bonding conductor.

**CBR**

See [constant bit rate \(CBR\)](#).

**CC**

See [country code \(CC\)](#).

**CCIS**

See [common-channel interoffice signaling \(CCIS\)](#).

**CCITT**

Comite Consultatif International Telephonique et Telegraphique. See [International Telecommunications Union \(ITU\)](#).

**CCMS**

control-channel message set

**CCS or hundred call seconds**

A unit of call traffic that is equal to 100 seconds of telephone use. One hour of telephone use is equal to 36 CCS, which is equal to 1 [Erlang](#). (Note that *C* is the Roman numeral for *centi* or hundred. The abbreviation for call seconds is *CS*. Therefore, 100 call seconds is abbreviated as *CCS*.)

**CCSA**

See [communications controller \(CC\)](#).

**CDM**

channel-division multiplexing

**CDOS**

customer-dialed and operator serviced

**CDPD**

customer database-provided digits

**CDR**

See [Call Detail Recording \(CDR\)](#).

**CDRP**

call detail record poller

**CDRR**

call detail recording and reporting

**CDRU**

See [Call Detail Recording utility \(CDRU\)](#).

**CDV**

See [cell delay variation \(CDV\)](#).

**CED**

caller-entered digits

**cell delay variation (CDV)**

A measurement of the allowable variance in delay between one cell and the next cell, in fractions of a second. When the [network](#) emulates a [circuit](#), the network uses CDV measurements to determine if cells are arriving too fast or too slow.

**CEM**

[channel](#)-expansion multiplexing

**CE Mark**

Conformite Europeene or European Conformity Mark. A mark that indicates that a product conforms with the type approval standards of the European Union (EU).

**center-stage switch (CSS)**

The central interface between the [processor port network \(PPN\)](#) and the [expansion port networks \(EPNs\)](#) in a CSS-connected system.

**centralized automatic message accounting (CAMA)**

The recording of toll calls at a central point.

**central office (CO)**

Telephone switching equipment that provides local telephone service and access to toll facilities for long distance calling.

**central office (CO) code**

The first 3 digits of a 7-digit public-network telephone number in the US.

**central office (CO) trunk**

A telecommunications channel that provides access from the system to the [public network](#) through the local [central office \(CO\)](#).

**CEPT1**

European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Rate 1

**CES**

See [circuit emulation service \(CES\)](#).

**CESID**

See [Caller's Emergency Service Identification \(CESID\)](#).

**Challenge-Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP)**

An authentication method for connecting to an Internet Service Provider (ISP). CHAP does not require a user to use a [terminal](#) screen to log in to the ISP. Because the user password is not sent in text format, CHAP is more secure than some other authentication methods.

**channel**

(1) A [circuit](#)-switched call. (2) A communications path that is used to transmit voice and data. (3) In [wideband](#) transmission, all the contiguous [time slots](#) or noncontiguous time slots that are necessary to support a call. For example, an [H0](#)-channel uses six 64-kbps time slots. (4) A [digital signal-0 \(DS0\)](#) on a [T1](#) facility or an [E1](#) facility that is not specifically associated with a logical circuit-switched call. See also [data channel \(D-channel\)](#).

**channel associated signaling (CAS)**

A method of signaling that is used with non-[ISDN digital trunks](#). CAS is defined only for [E1](#) trunks, and is bit oriented. Usually for ITU-T-defined E1 trunks, CAS signaling is carried over E1 [time slot](#) 16, and framing is carried over TS0.

**channel negotiation**

The process by which the [channel](#) that is offered in the channel identification information element (CIIE) in the SETUP message is negotiated to be another channel. This other channel is acceptable to the [switch](#) that receives the SETUP message, and ultimately acceptable to the switch that sent the SETUP message. Negotiation is attempted only if the CIIE is encoded as Preferred. Channel negotiation is not attempted for [wideband](#) calls. *See also* [information element \(IE\)](#).

**channel service unit/data service unit (CSU/DSU)**

A hardware device that converts [digital](#) data frames from the communications technology that is used on a [local area network \(LAN\)](#) into frames that are appropriate for a [wide area network \(WAN\)](#), and vice versa. The CSU receives and transmits signals from and to the WAN line, and provides a barrier for electrical interference from either side of the unit. The CSU can also echo loopback signals from the [central office \(CO\)](#) for testing. The DSU manages line control, and converts input and output between [RS-232C](#), [RS-449](#), or V.xx frames from the LAN, and the [time-division multiplexed](#) DSX frames on the [T1](#) line. The DSU manages timing errors and signal regeneration. The DSU uses a standard ([EIA/CCITT](#)) interface to provide a modem-like interface between the computer as [data terminal equipment \(DTE\)](#) and the CSU. The DTE interface of a DSU is usually compatible with the V.xx and RS-232C or similar serial interface. The DSU also provides testing capabilities.

**CHAP**

*See* [Challenge-Handshake Authentication Protocol \(CHAP\)](#).

**chassis**

A rack-mountable container for [circuit packs](#), [media modules](#), and other components of a [media gateway](#).

**CI**

clock input

**CIIE**

channel identification [information element](#)

**circuit**

(1) An arrangement of electrical elements through which electric current flows. (2) A [channel](#) or a transmission path between two or more points.

**circuit emulation service (CES)**

A connection over an [Asynchronous Transfer Mode \(ATM\) PVC](#)-based [network](#) that provides end-to-end service. CES conforms to the CES ATM Forum VTOA-78 Interoperability Specifications (CES-IS). Also called *virtual trunking*. *See also* [permanent virtual circuit \(PVC\)](#).

**circuit pack**

A circuit card on which electrical [circuits](#) are printed, and integrated circuit (IC) chips and electrical components are installed. A circuit pack is installed in a [switch carrier](#).

**CISPR**

International Special Committee on Radio Interference

**CLAN (TN799B)**

*See* [Controlled Local Area Network \(CLAN\) circuit pack](#).

**Class of Restriction (COR)**

A [feature](#) that allows up to 96 classes of call-origination restrictions and call-termination restrictions for telephones, telephone groups, [data modules](#), and [trunk groups](#). *See also* [Class of Service \(COS\)](#).

**Class of Service (COS)**

A [feature](#) that uses a number to specify whether telephone users can activate the [Automatic Callback \(ACB\)](#), Call Forwarding All Calls, Data Privacy, or Priority Calling features. *See also* [Class of Restriction \(COR\)](#).

**CLI**

See [command line interface \(CLI\)](#).

**CM**

connection manager

**CMC**

compact modular [cabinet](#)

**CMC1**

CMC1 Media Gateway. *See also* [Avaya Media Gateway](#).

**CMDR**

Centralized Message Detail Recording

**CMS**

call management system. *See also* [Avaya Call Management System \(CMS\)](#).

**CO**

*See* [central office \(CO\)](#).

**codec**

A device that converts data from one format to another. A codec, which is an abbreviation for *coder/decoder* or *compressor/decompressor*, is typically implemented in the firmware of a [digital signal processor \(DSP\)](#). *See also* [compression](#).

**command line interface (CLI)**

A simple [terminal](#) interface, that might be provided by way of telnet or a serial [port](#) that provides management functions. The [System Access Terminal \(SAT\)](#) and the UNIX shell are examples of a CLI.

**common-channel interoffice signaling (CCIS)**

A transmission method by which signaling information for a group of [trunks](#) is encoded and transmitted over a separate [channel](#).

**Common-Control Switching Arrangement (CCSA)**

An arrangement in which large corporate subscribers rent dedicated [lines](#) and share [central office \(CO\) switches](#). A CCSA creates a [private network](#) in which users can dial anywhere with a standard 7-digit number that is similar to a local telephone number. *See also* [Advanced Private-Line Termination \(APLT\)](#).

**communications controller (CC)**

The server that runs [Avaya Communication Manager](#) from the perspective of a [G700 media gateway](#). The Avaya S8300 Media Server is a CC that is also an Avaya [media module](#). The S8300 Media Server can also run Intuity AUDIX and other applications. In the external configuration, the CC is an [Avaya S8700 Media Server](#).

**communications system**

A software-controlled processor complex that interprets dial pulses, tones, and keyboard characters, and makes the proper connections within the system and externally. The communications system consists of a [digital](#) computer, software, storage devices, and [carriers](#), with special hardware to perform the connections. A communications system provides communications services for the telephones on customer premises and the [data terminals](#) on customer premises, including access to [public networks](#) and [private networks](#). *See also* [switch](#).

**COM port**

A communications [port](#). UNIX recognizes only COM1 and COM2, and presents COM1 and COM2 to the user as TTY ports. DOS recognizes COM1 and COM2, and also recognizes COM3 and COM4, although there is contention for the interrupt line when all COM ports are in use.

**compression**

An audio coding process that reduces 64-Kbps audio streams to sub-16-Kbps rates, at the expense of delay and audio quality. Compression is useful for transport over the limited-[bandwidth](#) dial-up connections that are used with [Point-to-Point Protocol \(PPP\)](#). Compression is usually referred to as [codec](#) compression/decompression. Common standard codecs are G.723a and G.729. *See also* [digital signal processor \(DSP\)](#).

**computer telephony integration (CTI)**

The combination and interworking of telephony functions and computer operations.

**concentration highway**

A serial [time-division multiplex \(TDM\) bus](#) that is used to interconnect communications devices.

**confirmation tone**

A tone that confirms that the system activated, deactivated, or canceled a [feature](#) as requested.

**connectivity**

The state in which a [domain](#) of connected devices all adhere to the same set of connection rules. Connectivity is the property of a [network](#) by which dissimilar devices can communicate with each other.

**console**

*See* [attendant console](#).

**constant bit rate (CBR)**

[Digital](#) information, such as video and digitized voice, that is represented by a continuous stream of bits. CBR traffic requires guaranteed throughput rates and service levels.

**contiguous slotting**

Term that describes adjacent [digital signals-0 \(DS0s\)](#) within one [T1](#) facility or one [E1](#) facility, or adjacent [time-division multiplex \(TDM\)](#) slots or fiber [time slots](#). The [first TDM](#) bus and the last TDM bus, DS0, or fiber time slots are not considered contiguous (no wraparound). For an E1 facility with a [D-channel](#), DS0s 15 and 17 are considered contiguous.

**Controlled Local Area Network (CLAN) circuit pack**

A [circuit pack](#) (TN799B) in a DEFINITY [port network \(PN\)](#) that provides [TCP/IP](#) connectivity to [adjuncts](#) over Ethernet or [Point-to-Point Protocol \(PPP\)](#). The CLAN circuit pack serves as the network interface for a DEFINITY server. The CLAN terminates IP (TCP and UDP), and relays those sockets and connections up to the DEFINITY server.

**controlled station**

A station that a [domain-control association](#) monitors and controls.

**COR**

*See* [Class of Restriction \(COR\)](#).

**COS**

*See* [Class of Service \(COS\)](#).

**country code (CC)**

The part of an international telephone number that identifies the country to which the call is being placed. The country code is dialed after the long distance access code, and before the telephone number itself. Country codes are from 1 digit to 3 digits long.

**coverage answer group**

A group of up to eight telephones that ring simultaneously in response to a redirected call from call coverage. Any of the telephones in the group can be used to answer the call.

**coverage call**

A call that is automatically redirected from the [extension](#) of the called party to an alternate answering position when certain coverage criteria are met.

**coverage path**

The order in which calls are redirected to alternate answering positions.

**coverage point**

An [extension](#) or an attendant group, a [vector directory number \(VDN\)](#), or an [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\) split](#) that is designated as an alternate answering position in a [coverage path](#).

**covering user**

A person at a [coverage point](#) who is authorized to answer a redirected call.

**CPE**

See [customer-premises equipment \(CPE\)](#).

**CPN**

called-party number

**CPN/BN**

calling-party number/billing number

**CPTR**

call-progress-tone receiver

**CPU**

central processing unit

**CRC**

See [cyclic redundancy check \(CRC\)](#).

**CRV**

See [call reference value \(CRV\)](#).

**CSA**

(1) Canadian Safety Association; (2) customer software administrator.

**CSCC**

compact single-carrier [cabinet](#)

**CSCN**

center-stage control network

**CSD**

customer-service document

**CSM**

centralized system management

**CSS**

See [center-stage switch \(CSS\)](#).

**CSSO**

Customer Services Support Organization

**CSU/DSU**

See [channel service unit/data service unit \(CSU/DSU\)](#).

**CTI**

See [computer telephony integration \(CTI\)](#).

**CTI station**

An [Administration Without Hardware \(AWOH\)](#) station that an application can use to originate calls and receive calls. CTI stations support [Adjunct-Switch Application Interface \(ASAI\)](#) call control features such as hold, answer, drop, conference, and so on. Calls on a CTI station operate the same way as calls on a real telephone. CTI stations can also be used to originate [Phantom Calls](#).

**CTS**

clear to send

**customer-premises equipment (CPE)**

Equipment that is connected to the telephone [network](#), and that resides on a customer site. CPE can include telephones, modems, fax machines, video conferencing devices, switches, and so on.

**CWC**

See [call work code \(CWC\)](#).

**cyclic redundancy check (CRC)**

A method to check the integrity of a transmitted block of data. The transmitting device generates a CRC character, the value of which depends on the number of ones in the data block to be transmitted. The receiving device calculates the value of the data that is received, including the added character. If the values of the transmitted data and the values of the data that is received do not agree, the receiving device requests the transmitting device to send the data again.

**D****DAC**

(1) dial access code; (2) direct agent calling; (3) [digital-to-analog converter](#).

**data channel (D-channel)**

A 16-kbps channel or a 64-kbps channel that carries signaling information or data on a [Basic Rate Interface \(BRI\)](#) or a [Primary Rate Interface \(PRI\) Interface](#). See also [bearer channel \(B-channel\)](#); [data channel \(D-channel\) backup](#).

**data channel (D-channel) backup**

The type of backup that is used with [nonfacility-associated signaling \(NFAS\)](#). A primary [data channel \(D-channel\)](#) provides signaling for an NFAS D-channel group (two or more [PRI](#) facilities). A second D-channel, on a separate PRI facility of the NFAS D-channel group, is designated as backup for the D-channel. Failure of the primary D-channel causes automatic transfer of call-control signaling to the backup D-channel. The backup becomes the primary D-channel. When the failed channel returns to service, that channel becomes the backup D-channel.

**data communications equipment (DCE)**

Equipment on the [network](#) side of a communications link that makes the binary serial data from the source or the transmitter compatible with the communications [channel](#). DCE is usually a modem, a [data module](#), or a [packet assembler/disassembler](#).

**data link**

The configuration of physical facilities that end [terminals](#) use to communicate directly with each other.

**data link connection identifier (DLCI)**

An identifier that is assigned to each [data link](#) in the [link access procedure-D \(LAPD\)](#) protocol. DLCI is used to route data to a certain destination.

**data module**

An interconnection device between a [Basic Rate Interface \(BRI\)](#) or a [Digital Communications Protocol \(DCP\)](#) interface of the [switch](#), and [data terminal equipment \(DTE\)](#) or [data communications equipment \(DCE\)](#).

**data path**

The end-to-end connection that is used for a [data link](#). A data path is the combination of all elements of an interprocessor communication in a [distributed communications system \(DCS\)](#).

**data port**

A point of access to a computer that uses [trunks](#) or [lines](#) to transmit or receive data. *See also* [port](#).

**data rate**

The speed at which bits are transmitted, which is usually expressed in bits per second. The data rate depends on the speed of the transmission, and thus is not the same as the actual capacity of the [channel](#). Also called *bit rate* and *data signaling rate*.

**data service unit (DSU)**

*See* [channel service unit/data service unit \(CSU/DSU\)](#).

**data signaling rate**

*See* [data rate](#).

**data terminal**

An input/output (I/O) device that has either switched access or direct access to a [host computer](#) or to a processor interface.

**data terminal equipment (DTE)**

Equipment that comprises the endpoints in a connection over a data [circuit](#). In a connection between a [data terminal](#) and a host, the terminal, the host, and the associated modems or [data modules](#) comprise the DTE.

**dBa**

decibels in reference to amperes

**dBnC**

decibels above reference noise with C filter

**DCE**

*See* [data communications equipment \(DCE\)](#).

**D-channel**

*See* [data channel \(D-channel\)](#).

**D-channel backup**

*See* [data channel \(D-channel\) backup](#).

**DCO**

[digital central office \(CO\)](#)

**DCP**

*See* [Digital Communications Protocol \(DCP\)](#).

**DCS**

distributed communications system

**DDC**

direct department calling

**DDD**

*See* [Direct Distance Dialing \(DDD\)](#).

**DEFINITY LAN Gateway (DLG)**

An application that uses a [TCP/IP](#) Ethernet transport instead of the traditional [Basic Rate Interface \(BRI\)](#) transport to provide the functionality of [Adjunct-Switch Application Interface \(ASAI\)](#).

**DEFINITY Wireless Business System (DWBS)**

A wireless telecommunications system that integrates wireless capabilities into the DEFINITY Server.

**delay-dial trunk**

A [trunk](#) that a caller can use to dial directly into a [communications system](#). That is, the system receives the digits as the user dials the digits.

**denying a request**

The process of sending a negative acknowledgment (NAK). To send a NAK, the system sends an FIE with a return error component (and a cause value). Note that denying a request should not be confused with the denial event report that applies to calls.

**designated voice terminal**

The specific telephone to which calls that were originally directed to a certain [extension](#) are redirected. The designated voice terminal is commonly used to mean the forwarded-to telephone when the Call Forwarding All Calls feature is active.

**device**

An entity in an Avaya managed [network](#) that is accessed from the Avaya MultiService product suite, and managed by Java-based software called a Device Manager.

**DHCP**

See [Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol \(DHCP\)](#).

**dial-repeating tie trunk**

A [tie trunk](#) that transmits called-party addressing information between two [communications systems](#).

**dial-repeating trunks**

A [tie trunk](#) that can handle station-signaling information without [attendant](#) assistance.

**Dialed-Number Identification Service (DNIS)**

A [feature](#) of 800 service and 900 service that provides the number that the caller dialed to reach the attached computer telephony system.

**DID**

See [Direct Inward Dialing \(DID\)](#).

**Differentiated Services (DiffServ)**

A [protocol](#) that is used to specify and control [network](#) traffic by class, so that certain types of traffic get precedence. For example, voice traffic, which requires a relatively uninterrupted flow of data, might get precedence over other kinds of network traffic. DiffServ is the most advanced method for managing traffic by [Class of Service \(COS\)](#). DiffServ avoids simple priority tagging, and depends on more complex policy or rule statements to determine how to forward a given network [packet](#).

**DiffServ**

See [Differentiated Services \(DiffServ\)](#).

**digit conversion**

A process that is used to convert specific dialed numbers into other dialed numbers.

**digital**

The representation of information by discrete steps. See also [analog](#).

**Digital Communications Protocol (DCP)**

A proprietary [protocol](#) that is used to transmit both digitized voice and digitized data over the same communications link. A DCP link consists of two 64-kbps information (I) [channels](#), and one 8-kbps signaling (S) channel. The DCP protocol supports two information-bearing channels, and thus two telephones or [data modules](#). The I1 channel is the DCP channel that is assigned on the first page of the 8411 Station screen. The I2 channel is the DCP channel that is assigned on the analog adjunct page of the 8411 Station screen, or on the data module page.

**digital data endpoints**

Devices such as the 510D [terminal](#) or the 515-type [business communications terminal \(BCT\)](#).

**digital multiplexed interface (DMI)**

An interface that uses [digital signal-1 \(DS1\)](#) 24th-[channel](#) signaling to provide connectivity between a [communications system](#) and a [host computer](#) or between two communications systems. DMI provides 23 64-kbps [data channels \(D-channels\)](#), and 1 common-signaling channel over a twisted-pair connection. DMI is offered through two capabilities, bit-oriented signaling (DMI-BOS) and message-oriented signaling (DMI-MOS).

**digital signal-0 (DS0)**

See [digital signal level n \(DSn\)](#).

**digital signal-1 (DS1)**

See [digital signal level n \(DSn\)](#).

**digital signal level *n* (DSn)**

A term for the series of standard [digital transmission](#) rates or levels that are used to classify the capacities of [digital lines](#) and digital [trunks](#). Signals are based on digital signal level 0 (DS0), and range upward to DS4. DS0 is a transmission rate of 64 Kbps, which is the [bandwidth](#) that is normally used for one telephone [channel](#). A DS0 is a single 64-kbps channel in a [T1](#) facility or an [E1](#) facility, and consists of 8 bits in a T1 frame or an E1 frame every 125 microseconds. DS1, used as the signal in the T-1 carrier, is 24 DS0 (64 Kbps) signals that are transmitted using [pulse-code modulation \(PCM\)](#) and [time-division multiplexing \(TDM\)](#). DS-2 is four DS1 signals that are multiplexed together to produce a rate of 6.312 Mbps. DS-3, the signal in the T-3 carrier, carries a multiple of 28 DS1 signals or 672 DS0s or 44.736 Mbps. Digital signal *n* is based on the [ANSI T1.107](#) guidelines.

**digital signal processor (DSP)**

A specialized microprocessor that processes a stream of bits in real time. In the telecommunications industry, DSPs are used for such things as echo cancellation, call progress monitoring, voice processing, and the [compression](#) of voice and video signals. See also [codec](#).

**digital terminal data module (DTDM)**

An integrated [data module](#) or an [adjunct](#) data module that shares the same physical [port](#) with a [digital](#) telephone for connection to a [communications system](#). The function of a DTDM is similar to that of a [processor data module \(PDM\)](#) and a [modular processor data module \(MPDM\)](#), in that a DTDM converts [RS-232C](#) signals to [Digital Communications Protocol \(DCP\)](#) signals.

**digital-to-analog converter (DAC)**

A device that converts data in [digital](#) form to the corresponding [analog](#) signals. See also [analog-to-digital converter \(ADC\)](#).

**digital transmission**

A mode of transmission in which information is converted to [digital](#) form, and then transmitted as a serial stream of pulses.

**digital trunk**

A [circuit](#) that carries [digital](#) voice, digital data, or both in a telecommunications [channel](#).

**DIMM**

See [dual in-line memory module \(DIMM\)](#).

**DIOD**

Direct Inward and Outward Dialing (DIOD)

**Direct Agent**

A [feature](#) that is available only through the [Adjunct-Switch Application Interface \(ASAI\)](#). With Direct Agent, a call can be placed in a [split](#) queue, but will be routed only to a specific [agent](#) in that split. The call is measured as an [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\)](#) call and receives normal ACD call treatment such as [announcements](#), but only a particular agent answers.

**Direct Distance Dialing (DDD)**

A [feature](#) by which a user can place long distance calls directly without operator assistance to telephones that are outside the local service area.

**Direct Extension Selection (DXS)**

A [feature](#) on an [attendant console](#) by which an [attendant](#) can press a group-select button and a DXS button to gain direct access to telephones.

**Direct Inward Dialing (DID)**

A [feature](#) by which incoming calls from the [public switched telephone network \(PSTN\)](#) reach a specific telephone without [attendant](#) assistance.

**Direct Outward Dialing (DOD) trunk**

An incoming [trunk](#) that is used to dial directly from the [public switched telephone network \(PSTN\)](#) into a [communications system](#) without help from the [attendant](#).

**Direct Station Selector (DSS)**

An [adjunct](#) that provides additional buttons and indicators to give an [attendant](#) direct access to additional [line appearances](#).

**distributed communications system (DCS)**

A [network](#) configuration that links two or more [communications systems](#) so that selected [features](#) appear to operate as if the network were one system.

**DIVA**

data in/voice answer

**DLC**

data line [circuit](#)

**DLCI**

See [data link connection identifier \(DLCI\)](#).

**DLDM**

Data-line data module

**DLG**

See [DEFINITY LAN Gateway \(DLG\)](#).

**DMI**

See [digital multiplexed interface \(DMI\)](#).

**DMI-BOS**

digital multiplexed interface bit-oriented signaling. See also [digital multiplexed interface \(DMI\)](#).

**DMI-MOS**

digital multiplexed interface message-oriented signaling. See also [digital multiplexed interface \(DMI\)](#).

**DND**

See [Do Not Disturb](#).

**DNIS**

See [Dialed-Number Identification Service \(DNIS\)](#).

**DNS**

See [Domain Name System \(DNS\)](#).

**DOD**

See [Direct Outward Dialing \(DOD\) trunk](#).

**domain**

[Vector directory numbers \(VDNs\)](#), [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\) splits](#), and stations. The VDN domain is used for [active-notification associations](#). The ACD-split [domain](#) is used for active-notification associations and [domain-control associations](#). The station domain is used for the domain-control associations.

**domain-control association**

A unique combination of a [call reference value \(CRV\)](#) and a link number that is initiated by Third Party Domain Control request. See also [adjunct-monitored call](#); [domain-controlled split](#); [domain-controlled station](#); [domain-controlled station on a call](#).

**domain-controlled split**

A [split](#) for which Third Party Domain Control request was accepted. A [domain](#)-controlled split provides an event report for logout. See also [domain-control association](#); [domain-controlled station](#); [domain-controlled station on a call](#).

**domain-controlled station**

A station for which a Third Party Domain Control request was accepted. A [domain](#)-controlled station provides event reports for calls that are alerting, connected, or held at the station. See also [domain-control association](#); [domain-controlled split](#); [domain-controlled station on a call](#).

**domain-controlled station on a call**

A station that is active on a call, and that provides event reports over one [domain-control association](#) or two domain-control associations. See also [domain-controlled station](#).

**Domain Name System (DNS)**

A hierarchical [network](#)-naming scheme. DNS servers provide a mapping of [domain](#) names to IP addresses.

**Do Not Disturb**

A [feature](#) by which a telephone appears busy to any incoming calls.

**DOT**

duplication option [terminal](#)

**DPM**

dial plan manager

**DPR**

(1) dual-port random access memory (RAM); (2) dial pulse recognition.

**DRAM**

See [dynamic random access memory \(DRAM\)](#).

**DS0**

See [digital signal level n \(DSn\)](#).

**DS1**

See [digital signal level n \(DSn\)](#).

**DS1C**

digital signal level-1 protocol C

**DS1 CONV**

digital signal level-1 converter

**DS3**

See [digital signal level n \(DSn\)](#).

**DSI**

digital signal interface

**DSP**

See [digital signal processor \(DSP\)](#).

**DSS**

See [Direct Station Selector \(DSS\)](#).

**DSU**

See [channel service unit/data service unit \(CSU/DSU\)](#).

**DTDM**

See [digital terminal data module \(DTDM\)](#).

**DTE**

See [data terminal equipment \(DTE\)](#).

**DTGS**

direct trunk group select

**DTMF**

See [dual-tone multifrequency \(DTMF\)](#).

**DTS**

disk-tape system

**dual in-line memory module (DIMM)**

Industry standard, 168-pin memory module for [dynamic random access memory \(DRAM\)](#). The TN2320 circuit pack uses two DIMMS.

**dual-tone multifrequency (DTMF)**

The touchtone signals that are used for in-band telephone signaling.

**duplication**

The use of redundant components to improve availability. When a duplicated subsystem fails, the backup redundant subsystem automatically takes over.

**DWBS**

See [DEFINITY Wireless Business System \(DWBS\)](#).

**DXS**

See [Direct Extension Selection \(DXS\)](#).

**Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP)**

An IETF [protocol](#) (RFCs 951, 1534, 1542, 2131, and 2132) that assigns IP addresses dynamically from a pool of addresses instead of statically.

**dynamic random access memory (DRAM)**

Read/write memory that must be continually refreshed to maintain the stored data. *See also* [random access memory \(RAM\)](#).

**E****E&M**

*See* [ear and mouth \(E&M\) signaling](#).

**E1**

A European [digital](#) transmission format that was devised by the ITU-TS and named by the Conference of European Postal and Telecommunication Administration (CEPT). E1 is the equivalent of the North American T-carrier system format. E2 through E5 are carriers in increasing multiples of the E1 format. The E1 signal format carries data at a rate of 2.048 million bits per second, and can carry 32 channels of 64 Kbps each. E1 carries at a somewhat higher data rate than [T1](#), which carries 1.544 million bits per second. The reason for this higher rate is that E1, unlike T1, does not do [bit robbing](#), and all 8 bits per channel are used to code the signal. E1 and T1 can be interconnected for international use. The E2 signal format carries four multiplexed E1 signals with a data rate of 8.448 million bits per second. The E3 signal format 16 E1 signals with a data rate of 34.368 million bits per second.

**E2**

*See* [E1](#).

**E3**

*See* [E1](#).

**ear and mouth (E&M) signaling**

Trunk supervisory signaling that is used between two [communications systems](#). E&M signaling information is transferred through 2-state voltage conditions (on the E and M leads) for [analog](#) applications, and through a single bit for [digital](#) applications.

**EAS**

*See* [Expert Agent Selection \(EAS\)](#).

**EBCDIC**

*See* [Extended Binary-Coded Decimal Interexchange Code \(EBCDIC\)](#).

**ECC**

error correct code

**echo return loss (ERL)**

The difference between a frequency signal and the echo on that signal as the signal reaches the destination.

**ECMA**

European Computer Manufacturers Association

**EFP**

electronic power feed

**EI**

expansion interface

**EIA**

*See* [Electronics Industries Association \(EIA\)](#).

**EIA-232**

A physical interface specified by the [Electronics Industries Association \(EIA\)](#). EIA-232 transmits and receives asynchronous data at speeds of up to 19.2 kilobits per second over cable distances of up to 50 feet. EIA-232 replaces RS-232 [protocol](#) in some Avaya MultiVantage applications.

**EIDE**

See [Enhanced Integrated Drive Electronics \(EIDE\)](#).

**electromagnetic interference (EMI)**

Interference in signal transmission that is caused by the radiation of electrical fields and magnetic fields.

**electronic tandem network (ETN)**

A [tandem tie-trunk network \(TTTN\)](#) with automatic call-routing capabilities that are based on the dialed number and the most preferred route that is available. Each [switch](#) in the network is assigned a unique [private network office code \(RNX\)](#), and each telephone is assigned a unique [extension](#).

**Electronics Industries Association (EIA)**

A trade association of the electronics industry that establishes electrical and functional standards for the member companies.

**emergency transfer**

A mode of system operation in which, if a major system fails, automatic transfer is initiated to a group of telephones that can make outgoing calls. The system operates in emergency transfer mode until the failure is repaired, and the system automatically returns to normal operation. Also called *power failure transfer*.

**EMI**

See [electromagnetic interference \(EMI\)](#).

**EMS**

See [external media server \(EMS\)](#).

**end-to-end signaling**

The transmission of touchtone signals that is generated by dialing from a telephone to remote computer equipment. These signals are sent over the [trunk](#) as [dual-tone multifrequency \(DTMF\)](#) digits, whether the trunk signaling type is marked as tone or rotary, and whether the originating station is tone or rotary. For example, with a call to a voice mail server or an automated attendant service, a connection is first established over an outgoing trunk. Then additional digits are dialed to transmit information to be processed by the computer equipment.

**Enhanced Integrated Drive Electronics (EIDE)**

An enhanced version of the original standard interface specification (known as *IDE*) for the hard disk drives that are associated with personal computers. The original IDE interface is called [ANSI Attachment A \(ATA\)](#). EIDE is also called *ATA-2* or *Fast ATA*.

**Enhanced Private Switched Communications Service (EPSCS)**

A private analog telecommunications [network](#) that is based on the No. 5 crossbar and 1A ESS [switch](#). An EPSCS can provide advanced voice services and data services to companies that have many locations. See also [Advanced Private-Line Termination \(APLT\)](#).

**ephemeral termination**

In H.248 signaling, a termination that is used for an IP connection. For example, a connection between an [analog telephone](#) and an IP telephone is described by an H.248 context with two terminations. These two terminations consist of a physical termination for the analog telephone that corresponds to a physical [port](#), and an ephemeral termination for the IP telephone. The ephemeral termination includes additional information that describes the IP side of the call, such as the [codec](#) that is chosen, the near-end IP addresses and ports, the far-end IP addresses and ports, silence suppression information, frame rate (samples per IP [packet](#)), and so on.

**EPN**

See [expansion port network \(EPN\)](#).

**EPROM**

erasable programmable read-only memory

**EPSCS**

See [Enhanced Private Switched Communications Service \(EPSCS\)](#).

**ERL**

See [echo return loss \(ERL\)](#).

**Erlang**

A unit of traffic intensity, or load, that is used to express the amount of traffic that is needed to keep one facility busy for 1 hour. One Erlang equals 36 [CCS or hundred call seconds](#).

**ESCC**

enhanced single-carrier [cabinet](#)

**ESF**

See [extended superframe format \(ESF\)](#).

**ESI**

end system identifier

**ESPA**

European Standard Paging Access

**ETA**

(1) extended [trunk](#) access; (2) enhanced [terminal](#) administration.

**Ethernet L2 switch**

In the [Avaya G700 Media Gateway](#) and in the Avaya stackable [switch](#) and [router](#) family, an Ethernet L2 switch consists of one or more 8-port, wire-speed Application-Specific Integrated Circuit (ASIC) devices.

**Ethernet switch**

A device that provides for [port](#) multiplication by having more than one [network](#) segment. An Ethernet switch directs data only to the target device, instead of to all devices that are attached to the [local area network \(LAN\)](#).

**ETN**

See [electronic tandem network \(ETN\)](#).

**ETSI**

See [European Telecommunications Standards Institute \(ETSI\)](#).

**European Telecommunications Standards Institute (ETSI)**

An organization that works to promote integrated telecommunications in the European community. ETSI can be viewed as the counterpart of the [American National Standards Institute \(ANSI\)](#).

**expansion control cabinet**

See [expansion control carrier](#).

**expansion control carrier**

In DEFINITY Server configurations, a carrier in a multicarrier [cabinet](#) that contains extra [port circuit packs](#) and a maintenance interface. In a single-carrier cabinet, an expansion control carrier is also called an *expansion control cabinet*.

**expansion interface (EI)**

A [port circuit pack](#) in a [port network \(PN\)](#) that provides the interface between a [time-division multiplex \(TDM\) bus](#) or [packet bus](#) on the PN and a [fiber-optic](#) link. The EI carries [circuit-switched](#) data, [packet-switched](#) data, network control, timing control, and [digital signal 1 \(DS1\)](#) control. An EI in an [expansion port network \(EPN\)](#) also communicates with the master maintenance circuit pack to provide the environmental status and the alarm status of the EPN to the [switch processing element \(SPE\)](#).

**expansion port network (EPN)**

In DEFINITY Server configurations, a [port network \(PN\)](#) that is connected to the [time-division multiplex \(TDM\) bus](#) and the [packet bus](#) of a [processor port network \(PPN\)](#). Control is achieved by indirect connection of the EPN to the PPN by way of a port-network link (PNL).

**Expert Agent Selection (EAS)**

A feature by which incoming calls can be routed to specialized groups of [agents](#) within a larger pool of agents.

**Extended Binary-Coded Decimal Interexchange Code (EBCDIC)**

A scheme for coding letters, characters, and numbers into a [digital](#) binary stream for use in large computers. EBCDIC is not incompatible with the [American Standard Code for Information Interchange \(ASCII\)](#), but the two types of files can be converted with a translation program.

**extended superframe format (ESF)**

A [T1](#) framing standard that is used in a [wide area network \(WAN\)](#).

**extension**

A number from 1 digit to 5 digits that is used to route calls through a [communications system](#). With a [Uniform Dial Plan \(UDP\)](#) or a main-satellite dialing plan, [extensions](#) are also used to route calls through a [private network](#).

**extension-in (ExtIn)**

The work state that an [agent](#) enters when the agent receives a non-[ACD](#) call. If the agent receives an ExtIn call when the agent is in the [manual-in work mode](#) or the [auto-in work mode](#), the [Avaya Call Management System \(CMS\)](#) records the call as an AUX-In call.

**extension-out (ExtOut)**

The work state that an [agent](#) enters when the agent originates a non-ACD call. See also [extension-in \(ExtIn\)](#).

**external call**

A connection between a user of a [communications system](#) and a party who is either on the [public switched telephone network \(PSTN\)](#) or on another communications system in a [private network](#).

**external measurements**

[Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\)](#) measurements that are made by the external [Avaya Call Management System \(CMS\)](#) adjunct.

**external media server (EMS)**

An external server that is running [Avaya Communication Manager](#). An [Avaya S8700 Media Server](#) that is controlling [Avaya G700 Media Gateways](#) is an example of an external server.

**ExtIn**

See [extension-in \(ExtIn\)](#).

**ExtOut**

See [extension-out \(ExtOut\)](#).

**F****FAC**

feature access code

**facilities restriction level (FRL)**

An administered value that identifies which types of calls the user of a [switch](#) is entitled to make.

**facility**

A telecommunications transmission pathway and the associated equipment.

**facility-associated signaling (FAS)**

A method of signaling in which a [data channel \(D-channel\)](#) carries signaling only for those channels that are on the same physical interface. See also [nonfacility-associated signaling \(NFAS\)](#).

**FAS**

See [facility-associated signaling \(FAS\)](#).

**FAT**

facility access trunk

**FCC**

Federal Communications Commission

**FEAC**

forced entry of account codes

**feature**

A specifically defined function or service that the system provides.

**feature button**

A labeled button on a telephone or an [attendant console](#) that provides access to a specific [feature](#).

**Feature Name Extension (FNE)**

An [extension](#) that is dialed from an [off-PBX station \(OPS\)](#) to activate a specific [feature](#) in [Avaya Communication Manager](#). The [system administrator](#) administers an FNE to correspond to a feature access code that activates the feature.

**FEP**

See [front-end processor \(FEP\)](#).

**fiber optics**

A technology that uses materials that transmit ultra-[wideband](#) electromagnetic light-frequency ranges for high-capacity carrier systems.

**FIC**

facility interface code

**File Transfer Protocol (FTP)**

An Internet [protocol](#) standard that is used to copy files from one computer to another. See also [Trivial File Transfer Protocol \(TFTP\)](#).

**fixed**

A term for [trunk allocation](#). In a fixed allocation scheme, the [time slots](#) that are necessary to support a [wideband](#) call are contiguous, and the first time slot is constrained to certain starting points. *See also* [flexible](#); [floating](#).

**flexible**

A term for [trunk allocation](#). In a flexible allocation scheme, the [time slots](#) of a [wideband](#) call can occupy noncontiguous positions within a single [T1](#) facility or a single [E1](#) facility. *See also* [fixed](#); [floating](#).

**floating**

A term for [trunk allocation](#). In a floating allocation scheme, the [time slots](#) of a [wideband](#) call are contiguous, but the position of the first time slot is not fixed. *See also* [fixed](#); [flexible](#).

**FNE**

*See* [Feature Name Extension \(FNE\)](#).

**FNPA**

*See* [foreign numbering-plan area \(FNPA\)](#).

**foreign exchange (FX)**

A [central office \(CO\)](#) other than the CO that provides local access to the [public switched telephone network \(PSTN\)](#). *See also* [foreign-exchange trunk](#).

**foreign-exchange trunk**

A telecommunications [channel](#) that directly connects the system to a [central office \(CO\)](#) other than the local CO for the system. *See also* [foreign exchange \(FX\)](#).

**foreign numbering-plan area (FNPA)**

Any other [numbering-plan area \(NPA\)](#) that is outside the geographic NPA where the number of the customer is located. *See also* [foreign numbering-plan area code \(FNPAC\)](#).

**foreign numbering-plan area code (FNPAC)**

An area code other than the local area code, that a user must dial to call outside the local geographical area. *See also* [foreign numbering-plan area \(FNPA\)](#).

**FRL**

*See* [facilities restriction level \(FRL\)](#).

**front-end processor (FEP)**

A computer that is under the control of another larger computer in a [network](#). The larger computer is usually a mainframe.

**FTP**

*See* [File Transfer Protocol \(FTP\)](#).

**FX**

*See* [foreign exchange \(FX\)](#).

**G****G.711**

A mu-law or an a-law, 64-Kbps [codec](#).

**G.723**

A 6.3-Kbps audio [codec](#), or an 5.3-Kbps audio codec.

**G.729**

An 8-Kbps audio [codec](#).

**gatekeeper**

A term that is defined by the [H.323](#) standard to describe the entity that performs most of the authorization, routing, and [feature](#) functionality in an H.323 system.

**Generalized Route Selection (GRS)**

An enhancement to [Automatic Alternate Routing \(AAR\)](#) and [Automatic Route Selection \(ARS\)](#). GRS routes calls based on call attributes, such as [Bearer Capability Classes \(BCCs\)](#), in addition to the address and [facilities restriction level \(FRL\)](#). Thus, GRS facilitates a [Uniform Dial Plan \(UDP\)](#) that is independent of the type of call.

**glare**

The simultaneous seizure of a two-way [trunk](#) by two [communications systems](#) that results in a standoff.

**GM**

group manager

**GPTR**

general-purpose tone receiver

**GQPB**

See [Guaranteed Quality of Service Packet Bus \(GQPB\)](#).

**grade of service (GOS)**

The number of call attempts that fail to receive service immediately. GOS is also expressed as the quantity of all calls that are blocked or delayed.

**ground-start trunk**

A [trunk](#) on which, for outgoing calls, the system transmits a request for services to a distant switching system by grounding the trunk ring lead. To receive the digits of the called number, that system grounds the trunk tip lead. When the system detects this ground, the digits are sent.

**GRS**

See [Generalized Route Selection \(GRS\)](#).

**Guaranteed Quality of Service Packet Bus (GQPB)**

A [bus](#) that provides for very small [packets](#) at extremely consistent intervals with minimum delay. A GQPB is optimized for voice traffic, and is similar to a [time-division multiplex \(TDM\) bus](#).

**H****H.323**

An International Telecommunications Union (ITU) standard for switched multimedia communication between a LAN-based multimedia endpoint and a [gatekeeper](#). See also [Session Initiated Protocol \(SIP\)](#).

**H0**

An [ISDN](#) information transfer rate for 384-kbps data that is defined by [CCITT](#) and [ANSI](#) standards. See also [H11](#); [H12](#).

**H11**

An [ISDN](#) information transfer rate for 1536-kbps data that is defined by [CCITT](#) and [ANSI](#) standards. See also [H0](#); [H12](#).

**H12**

An [ISDN](#) information transfer rate for 1920-kbps data that is defined by [CCITT](#) and [ANSI](#) standards. See also [H0](#); [H11](#).

**handshaking logic**

A format that is used to initiate a data connection between two [data module](#) devices.

**HNPA**

See [home numbering-plan area code \(HNPA\)](#).

**HO-DSP**

high-order [domain](#) specific part

**holding time**

The total length of time in minutes and seconds that a facility is used during a call.

**home numbering-plan area code (HNPA)**

The local area code. The HNPA code does not have to be dialed to call numbers within the local geographical area. See also [foreign numbering-plan area code \(FNPAC\)](#); [numbering-plan area \(NPA\)](#).

**hop**

Nondirect communication between two switch communications interfaces (SCIs), where the SCI message passes automatically without intermediate processing through one or more intermediate SCIs.

**host computer**

A computer that is connected to a [network](#), and that processes data from data-entry devices.

**hundred call seconds**

See [CCS or hundred call seconds](#).

**hunt group**

A group of [extensions](#) that are assigned the Station Hunting feature so that a call to a busy extension is rerouted to an idle extension in the group.

**I****I1**

The first information [channel](#) of the [Digital Communications Protocol \(DCP\)](#). See also [I1](#).

**I2**

The second information [channel](#) of the [Digital Communications Protocol \(DCP\)](#). See also [I2](#).

**I2 Interface**

A proprietary interface that is used for the radio-controller [circuit packs](#) in the [DEFINITY Wireless Business System \(DWBS\)](#). Each interface provides communication between the radio-controller circuit pack and up to two wireless fixed bases.

**I3 Interface**

A proprietary interface that is used for the cell antenna units of the [DEFINITY Wireless Business System \(DWBS\)](#). Each wireless fixed base can communicate with up to four cell antenna units.

**IAS**

inter-PBX attendant service

**IC**

integrated [circuit](#)

**ICC**

(1) intercabinet cable; (2) intercarrier cable.

**ICD**

inbound call director

**ICDOS**

international customer-dialed operator service

**ICHT**

incoming call-handling table

**ICI**

See [Incoming Call Identifier \(ICI\)](#).

**ICLID**

See [Incoming Call Identifier \(ICI\)](#).

**ICM**

inbound call management

**ICSU**

integrated channel service unit. See also [channel service unit/data service unit \(CSU/DSU\)](#).

**IDDD**

See [international direct distance dialing \(IDDD\)](#).

**IDF**

See [intermediate distribution frame \(IDF\)](#).

**IE**

See [information element \(IE\)](#).

**IEEE**

See [Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers \(IEEE\)](#).

**IETF**

See [Internet Engineering Task Force \(IETF\)](#).

**IG**

See [ISDN Gateway \(IG\)](#).

**ILMI**

integrated layer management interface

**immediate-start tie trunk**

A [trunk](#) on which the system makes a connection with a distant switching system for an outgoing call, and then waits a nominal 65 milliseconds before sending the digits of the called number. This delay allows time for the distant system to prepare to receive digits. On an incoming call, the system has less than 65 milliseconds to prepare to receive the digits. See also [wink-start tie trunk](#).

**IMT**

intermachine trunk

**INADS**

See [Initialization and Administration System \(INADS\)](#).

**Incoming Call Identifier (ICI)**

A [feature](#) that is used to send the name, the telephone number, or both the name and the telephone number of the caller over [analog](#) lines to an [analog telephone](#) set that is equipped with a display. Also called *Caller ID (CID)* and *Incoming Caller ID (ICLID)*.

**incoming gateway**

A server that routes an incoming call on a [trunk](#) that is administered for Supplementary Services Protocol B to a trunk that is not administered for Supplementary Services Protocol B.

**information element (IE)**

The name for the data fields within an [ISDN](#) Layer 3 message.

**information exchange**

The exchange of data on a [local area network \(LAN\)](#) between users of two different systems, such as the [switch](#) and a [host computer](#).

**information systems network (ISN)**

A [wide area network \(WAN\)](#) and a [local area network \(LAN\)](#) with an open architecture that combines [host computers](#), minicomputers, word processors, storage devices, personal computers, high-speed printers, and nonintelligent [terminals](#) into a single [packet switching](#) system.

**Infrared Data Association (IrDA)**

An industry association that produced a set of specifications for a standard infrared interface.

**Initialization and Administration System (INADS)**

A software tool for Avaya Services personnel who are located at the Technical Service Center (TSC). Services personnel use INADS to initialize, administer, and troubleshoot customer communications systems remotely.

**INS**

(1) ISDN network service; (2) Avaya Data Network Systems.

**inside call**

A call that is placed from one telephone within the local [communications system](#) to another telephone within the local communications system.

**Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)**

An organization that, among other things, produces standards for [local area network \(LAN\)](#) equipment.

**Integrated Drive Electronics (IDE)**

See [Enhanced Integrated Drive Electronics \(EIDE\)](#).

**Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN)**

A [public network](#) or a [private network](#) that provides end-to-end [digital](#) communications for all services to which users have access. An ISDN uses a limited set of standard multipurpose user-network interfaces that are defined by the [CCITT](#). Through internationally accepted standard interfaces, an ISDN provides digital [circuit-switched](#) communications or [packet-switched](#) communications within the network. An ISDN provides links to other ISDNs to provide national digital communications and international digital communications. See also [Integrated Services Digital Network Basic Rate Interface \(ISDN-BRI\)](#); [Integrated Services Digital Network Primary Rate Interface \(ISDN-PRI\)](#).

**Integrated Services Digital Network Basic Rate Interface (ISDN-BRI)**

The interface between a communications system and [terminal](#) that includes two 64-kbps [bearer channels \(B-channels\)](#) for transmitting voice or data, and one 16-kbps [data channel \(D-channel\)](#) for transmitting associated B-channel call control and out-of-band signaling information. ISDN-BRI also includes 48 kbps for transmitting framing and D-channel contention information, for a total interface speed of 192 kbps. ISDN-BRI serves [ISDN terminals](#) and [digital](#) terminals that are fitted with ISDN terminal adapters. See also [Integrated Services Digital Network Primary Rate Interface \(ISDN-PRI\)](#).

**Integrated Services Digital Network Primary Rate Interface (ISDN-PRI)**

The interface between multiple communications systems that in North America includes 24 64-kbps channels that correspond to the North American [digital signal level-1 \(DS1\)](#) standard rate of 1.544 Mbps. The most common arrangement of channels in ISDN-PRI is 23 64-kbps [bearer channels \(B-channels\)](#) for transmitting voice and data, and 1 64-kbps [data channel \(D-channel\)](#) for transmitting associated B-channel call control and out-of-band signaling information. With [nonfacility-associated signaling \(NFAS\)](#), ISDN-PRI can include 24 B-channels and no D-channel. *See also* [Integrated Services Digital Network \(ISDN\)](#); [Integrated Services Digital Network Basic Rate Interface \(ISDN-BRI\)](#).

**intercept tone**

A tone that indicates a dialing error or a denial of the service that was requested.

**interface**

A common boundary between two systems or pieces of equipment.

**interflow**

The process of using the Call Forward All Calls feature to forward calls to other [splits](#) on the same [switch](#) or a different switch.

**intermediate distribution frame (IDF)**

A rack that is used to connect cables. An IDF is usually located in an equipment room or an equipment closet.

**internal call**

A connection between two users within a [communications system](#).

**internal measurements**

Measurements that are made by the [Avaya Call Management System \(CMS\)](#). *See also* [external measurements](#).

**international direct distance dialing (IDDD)**

The means to automatically dial international long distance telephone calls from your own telephone. Also known as *international direct dialing* and *international subscriber dialing*.

**International Organization for Standards**

A worldwide federation of standards bodies who issue International Standards for technological, scientific, intellectual, and economic activity. The federation is called *ISO*, and the US representative to the federation is the [American National Standards Institute \(ANSI\)](#).

**International Telecommunications Union (ITU)**

An international organization that sets universal standards for data communications, including [ISDN](#). ITU was formerly known as International Telegraph and Telephone Consultative Committee (CCITT).

**International Telegraph and Telephone Consultative Committee**

*See* [International Telecommunications Union \(ITU\)](#).

**Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF)**

One of two technical working bodies of the Internet Activities Board. The IETF develops new [Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol \(TCP/IP\)](#) standards for the Internet.

**Internet Protocol (IP)**

A connectionless [protocol](#) that operates at Layer 3 of the [Open Systems Interconnect \(OSI\)](#) model. IP protocol is used for Internet addressing and routing [packets](#) over multiple [networks](#) to a final destination. IP protocol works in conjunction with [Transmission Control Protocol \(TCP\)](#), and is usually identified as TCP/IP.

**Internet Protocol Security (IPSec)**

A developing standard for security at the network layer or the [packet](#) processing layer of [network](#) communication. Earlier security approaches inserted security at the application layer of the communications model. IPSec will be especially useful for implementing [virtual private networks \(VPNs\)](#), and for remote user access through dial-up connection to [private networks](#). One advantage of IPSec is that security arrangements can be handled without requiring changes to the computers of individual users. IPSec provides two choices of security service, Authentication Header (AH) and Encapsulating Security Payload (ESP). AH allows authentication of the sender of data. ESP supports both authentication of the sender and encryption of data. The specific information that is associated with each of these services is inserted into the [packet](#) in a header that follows the IP [packet](#) header. Separate key [protocols](#) can be selected, such as the ISAKMP/Oakley protocol.

**intraflow**

The process of using call coverage busy, don't answer, or all criteria to redirect calls to other [splits](#) on the same [switch](#) on a conditional basis or an unconditional basis.

**IntServ**

A method for an end system to actively signal [packet](#)-handling requests into the service provider [network](#). [Resource Reservation Protocol \(RSVP\)](#) is used with IntServ.

**in-use lamp**

A red light on a [multiappearance telephone](#) that lights to show which [call appearance](#) will be selected when the handset is lifted, or which call appearance is active when a user is off-hook.

**INWATS**

Inward Wide Area Telephone Service. *See* [800 service](#).

**I/O**

input/output

**IO**

information outlet

**IP**

*See* [Internet Protocol \(IP\)](#).

**IP Media Processor (TN2302AP)**

A [circuit pack](#) that provides [Voice over IP \(VoIP\)](#) audio access to the switch for local stations and outside trunks. The IP Media Processor performs echo cancellation, silence suppression, fax relay service, and [dual-tone multifrequency \(DTMF\)](#) detection.

**IP Server Interface (IPSI)**

A [circuit pack](#) that provides for clock generation and clock synchronization, and tone generation and tone detection in [S8700 Media Server](#) configurations.

**IrDA**

*See* [Infrared Data Association \(IrDA\)](#).

**ISDN**

*See* [Integrated Services Digital Network \(ISDN\)](#).

**ISDN-BRI**

*See* [Integrated Services Digital Network Basic Rate Interface \(ISDN-BRI\)](#).

**ISDN facility**

*See* [ISDN trunk](#).

**ISDN Gateway (IG)**

A [feature](#) that uses a link to a gateway [adjunct](#) to integrate the [switch](#) and a host-based telemarketing application. The gateway adjunct is a 3B-based product that notifies the host-based telemarketing application of call events.

**ISDN-PRI**

See [Integrated Services Digital Network Primary Rate Interface \(ISDN-PRI\)](#).

**ISDN trunk**

A [trunk](#) that is administered for use with [ISDN-PRI](#). Also called an *ISDN facility*.

**ISDN-PRI terminal adapter**

An interface between endpoint applications and an [ISDN-PRI](#) facility. ISDN-PRI [terminal](#) adapters are currently available from other vendors, and are primarily designed for video conferencing applications. Accordingly, currently available terminal adapters adapt the two pairs of video codec data ([V.35](#)) and dialing (RS-366) [ports](#) to an ISDN-PRI facility.

**IS/DTT**

integrated services/digital [tie trunk](#)

**ISN**

See [information systems network \(ISN\)](#).

**ISO**

See [International Organization for Standards](#).

**ISP**

Internet service provider

**ISV**

independent software vendor

**ITP**

installation test procedure

**ITU**

See [International Telecommunications Union \(ITU\)](#).

**IVR**

Avaya Interactive Voice Response

**IXC**

interexchange carrier code

**L****L2TP**

See [Layer-2 Tunneling Protocol \(L2TP\)](#).

**LAN**

See [local area network \(LAN\)](#).

**LAPD**

See [link access procedure-D \(LAPD\)](#).

**LATA**

See [local access and transport area \(LATA\)](#).

**Layer-2 Switch**

An IP component that statically reroutes [packets](#) and streams to another port on the Layer-2 [switch](#). The [packets](#) and streams are rerouted based on the destination [Media Access Control \(MAC\)](#) address. *See also* [Layer-3 Switch](#).

**Layer-3 Switch**

An IP component that dynamically reroutes [packets](#) and streams to another port on the Layer-3 [switch](#). The [packets](#) and streams are rerouted based on the IP address of the packet or the stream. IP Routing is a Layer-3 functionality. *See also* [Layer-2 Switch](#).

**Layer-2 Tunneling Protocol (L2TP)**

A standard for Layer-2 tunneling for remote access. L2TP was established by the [Internet Engineering Task Force \(IETF\)](#).

**LBO**

*See* [line buildout](#).

**LDN**

listed directory number

**LDS**

long distance service

**Leave Word Calling (LWC)**

A [feature](#) for internal messaging that records the name and the extension number of a caller, and the time of the call for retrieval by the called party.

**LEC**

*See* [local exchange carrier \(LEC\)](#).

**lightwave transceiver**

Hardware that provides an interface to [fiber-optic](#) cable from port [circuit packs](#) and [digital signal-1 \(DS1\)](#) converter circuit packs. Lightwave transceivers convert electrical signals to light signals, and light signals to electrical signals.

**line**

A transmission path between a [communications system](#) or a [central office \(CO\)](#) and a telephone or other [terminal](#).

**line appearance**

*See* [appearance](#).

**line buildout**

A selectable output attenuation that is generally required of [data terminal equipment \(DTE\)](#) equipment because [T1 circuits](#) require the last span to lose 15 dB to 22.5 dB.

**line gateway**

An [Avaya G700 Media Gateway](#) without IP telephones.

**line port**

Hardware that provides the access point to a [communications system](#) for each [circuit](#) that is associated with a telephone or a [data terminal](#).

**link**

A transmitter-receiver [channel](#) that connects two systems.

**link access procedure-D (LAPD)**

A link-layer [protocol](#) on the [ISDN-BRI](#) data-link layer (Level 2) and the [ISDN-PRI](#) data-link layer (Level 2). LAPD provides data transfer between two devices, and error and flow control on multiple logical links. LAPD is used for signaling and low-speed [packet](#) data (X.25 and mode 3) on the [data channel \(D-channel\)](#), and mode 3 data communications on a [bearer channel \(B-channel\)](#). Also called *Link Level Protocol for the D-Channel*.

**LINL**

local indirect neighbor link

**listed directory number (LDN)**

The published main telephone number. Incoming exchange [network](#) calls to the [switch](#) by way of the assigned listed local telephone directory number are directed to the [attendant](#).

**LIU**

lightwave integration unit

**local access and transport area (LATA)**

A geographic area within the US in which a local telephone company may offer local telecommunications services or long distance telecommunications services.

**local area network (LAN)**

A networking arrangement that is designed for a limited geographical area. Generally, a LAN is limited in range to a maximum of 6.2 miles, and provides high-speed carrier service with low error rates. Common configurations include daisy chain, star (including [circuit](#)-switched), ring, and bus.

**local exchange carrier (LEC)**

A local telephone company.

**local survivable processor (LSP)**

A configuration of the [S8300 Media Server](#) that is used to provide redundancy in [Avaya Communication Manager](#). In the LSP configuration, the server acts as an alternate server or [gatekeeper](#) for IP entities such as IP telephones and [Avaya G700 Media Gateways](#). These IP entities use the LSP when the entities lose connectivity to the primary server. Also called *survivable cc*.

**logical link**

The communications path between a processor and a [Basic Rate Interface \(BRI\) terminal](#).

**loop-start trunk**

A [trunk](#) on which the system establishes a connection with a distant switching system for an outgoing call, and then waits for a signal on the loop that is formed by the trunk leads. When the system receives that signal, the system sends the digits of the called number.

**LOS**

loss of signal

**loss plan**

An overall plan that is used in network design and network management to create and maintain consistent signal strength across the [network](#). The term also applies to the local management of signal strength to achieve appropriate levels for specific applications.

**LSP**

See [local survivable processor \(LSP\)](#).

**LSU**

local storage unit

**LWC**

See [Leave Word Calling \(LWC\)](#).

## M

**MAC**

See [Media Access Control \(MAC\)](#).

**MADU**

modular asynchronous data unit

**main distribution frame (MDF)**

A device that can be mounted to the wall inside the system equipment room. The MDF provides a connection point from outside telephone [lines](#) to the [switch](#) and to the inside telephones.

**main-satellite-tributary (MST)**

A [private network](#) configuration that can either stand alone or access an [electronic tandem network \(ETN\)](#). A main [switch](#) uses [tie trunks](#) to interconnect with one or more subtending switches or *satellites*, all attendant positions for the main/satellite configuration, and access to and from the [public switched telephone network \(PSTN\)](#). To a user outside the complex, a main/satellite configuration appears as one switch, with one [listed directory number \(LDN\)](#). Tie trunks connect a tributary switch to the main switch, but the main switch has its own attendant positions and LDN.

**maintenance**

Activities to keep a telecommunications system in proper working condition. Maintenance activities include the detection and the isolation of software faults and hardware faults, and automatic recovery and manual recovery from these faults.

**maintenance object (MO)**

The name of a unit that can be maintained. An MO can be a software process. An MO can also be a hardware component, such as a [circuit pack](#), a telephone, or a [trunk](#).

**major alarm**

An indication of a failure that caused critical degradation of service, and that requires immediate attention. Major alarms are automatically displayed on LEDs on the [attendant console](#) and maintenance circuit packs or alarming [circuit packs](#). Major alarms are then logged to the alarm log, and reported to a remote maintenance facility, if applicable. *See also* [minor alarm](#).

**management terminal (MT)**

The terminal that the [system administrator](#) uses to administer the [switch](#). The terminal can also be used to gain access to the Avaya Basic Call Management System (BCMS).

**manual-in work mode**

One of four [agent](#) work modes. In manual-in work mode, the agent is ready to process another call manually. *See also* [after-call work \(ACW\) mode](#); [auto-in work mode](#); [aux work mode](#).

**MAP**

maintenance action process

**MASI**

MultiMedia Applications Server Interface

**M-Bus**

memory bus

**MCC**

multicarrier [cabinet](#)

**MCC1**

See [MCC1 Media Gateway](#).

**MCC1 Media Gateway**

An [Avaya Media Gateway](#) that holds from one [carrier](#) to five carriers.

**MCS**

message center service

**MCT**

malicious call trace

**MCU**

See [multipoint control unit \(MCU\)](#).

**MDF**

See [main distribution frame \(MDF\)](#).

**MDM**

modular data module

**MDR**

message detail record

**Media Access Control (MAC)**

A general reference to the low-level hardware [protocols](#) that are used to access a particular [network](#). The term *MAC address* is often used as a synonym for physical address.

**media gateway**

See [Avaya Media Gateway](#).

**Media Gateway Control Protocol (MGCP)**

A [protocol](#) that [gatekeepers](#) use to control gateways. In the [Internet Engineering Task Force \(IETF\)](#), MGCP was superseded by the Megaco protocol, which was unified with the ITU H.248 standard of the ITU (formerly H.gcp).

**media module**

A removable, hot-pluggable [circuit pack](#) that can be inserted into one of four slots on the [G700 media gateway](#). A media module is approximately 6.25 inches x 11.00 inches (16 centimeters x 28 centimeters), and interfaces to the [buses](#) on the G700 motherboard. See also [media module slots](#).

**media module slots**

Four positions in the [Avaya G700 Media Gateway](#) that contain various telephony interface [circuits](#) or an integrated [Avaya S8300 Media Server](#). Each slot has access to one of the eight L2 switch [ports](#), the [time-division multiplex \(TDM\) bus](#), and various control signals from the gateway server. The [media module](#) slots support hot board swap.

**media processor**

A [circuit pack](#) that handles voice processing for [Voice over IP \(VoIP\)](#).

**media server**

See [Avaya Media Server](#).

**Meiner's algorithm**

A method that Avaya personnel use to determine whether a [switch](#) can support a proposed set of [port networks \(PNs\)](#).

**MEM**

memory

**memory shadowing link**

A condition of an operating system that provides a method for memory-resident programs to be quickly accessed. A system with a memory shadowing link can reboot faster.

**message center**

An answering service that supplies [agents](#) to take messages, and stores messages for later retrieval.

**message center agent**

A member of a message center [hunt group](#) who takes and retrieves messages for telephone users.

**message waiting lamp (MWL)**

A light on a telephone that indicates the presence of a message for the telephone user.

**MF**

multifrequency

**MFB**

multifunction board

**MFC**

multifrequency code

**MFC R2**

See [Multifrequency Compelled Release 2 signaling \(MFC R2\)](#).

**MGCP**

See [Media Gateway Control Protocol \(MGCP\)](#).

**MIM**

management information message

**minor alarm**

An indication of a failure that could affect customer service. Minor alarms are automatically displayed on LEDs on the [attendant console](#) and maintenance [circuit packs](#) or alarming circuit packs. Minor alarms are then sent to the alarm log, and reported to a remote maintenance facility, if applicable. See also [major alarm](#).

**MIS**

management information system

**MISCID**

miscellaneous identification

**MMCH**

multimedia call handling

**MMCS**

multimedia call server

**MMI**

multimedia interface

**MMS**

material management services

**MO**

See [maintenance object \(MO\)](#).

**modem pooling**

A capability that provides shared conversion resources (modems and data modules) for cost-effective access to [analog](#) facilities by [data terminals](#). When needed, modem pooling inserts a conversion resource into the path of a data call. Modem pooling serves both outgoing calls and incoming calls.

**modular processor data module (MPDM)**

A [processor data module \(PDM\)](#) that can be configured to provide [RS-232C](#), [RS-449](#), and [V.35](#) interfaces to customer-provided [data terminal equipment \(DTE\)](#).

**modular trunk data module (MTDM)**

A trunk [data module](#) that can be configured to provide [RS-232C](#), [RS-449](#), and [V.35](#) interfaces to customer-provided [data terminal equipment \(DTE\)](#).

**monitored call**

See [active-notification call](#).

**MOS**

message-oriented signaling

**MPDM**

See [modular processor data module \(MPDM\)](#).

**MS**

message server

**MSG**

message service

**MSL**

material stocking location

**MSM**

modular system management

**MSS**

mass storage system

**MSSNET**

mass storage/network control

**MST**

See [main-satellite-tributary \(MST\)](#).

**MT**

See [management terminal \(MT\)](#).

**MTDM**

See [modular trunk data module \(MTDM\)](#).

**MTP**

maintenance tape processor

**MTT**

multitasking [terminal](#)

**multiappearance telephone**

A telephone that is equipped with several [call appearances](#) for the same [extension](#). With a [multiappearance telephone](#), a user can handle more than one call on that same extension at the same time.

**Multifrequency Compelled Release 2 signaling (MFC R2)**

A method of signaling in which a signal consists of two frequency components. With MFC R2 signaling, a switch that transmits a signal receives a second signal that acknowledges the transmitted signal. MFC R2 signaling is used in the US and other countries.

**multiplexer**

A device that combines several individual [channels](#) into a single common bit stream for transmission. *See also* [multiplexing](#).

**multiplexing**

A process that divides a transmission facility into two or more [channels](#). Multiplexing either splits the frequency band into two or more narrower bands, or divides the transmission channel into successive [time slots](#). *See also* [multiplexer](#); [time-division multiplexing \(TDM\)](#).

**multipoint control unit (MCU)**

A bridging device or a switching device that is used to support multipoint video conferencing. An MCU can support 28 conference sites.

**multirate**

*See* [N x DS0](#).

**MWL**

*See* [message waiting lamp \(MWL\)](#).

**N****N x DS0**

An emerging standard for [wideband](#) calls separate from [H0](#), [H11](#), and [H12](#) ISDN [channels](#). The N x DS0 [ISDN](#) multirate [circuit](#) mode bearer service will provide [circuit](#)-switched calls with data-rate multiples of 64 kbps up to 1536 kbps on a [T1](#) facility, or up to 1920 kbps on an [E1](#) facility. In the [switch](#), N x DS0 channels will range up to 1984 kbps using [nonfacility-associated signaling \(NFAS\)](#) E1 interfaces. Also known as *N x 64 kbps*.

**N+1**

A method to determine equipment requirements for redundant backup. The N+1 method provisions one additional element more than the number of elements that are required under full load. For example, if a DC-powered single-carrier [cabinet](#) requires four rectifier modules, a fifth rectifier module is installed for backup.

**NAK**

negative acknowledgment. *See also* [denying a request](#)

**NANP**

*See* [North American numbering plan \(NANP\)](#).

**narrowband**

A [circuit](#)-switched call at a [data rate](#) of 64 kbps or less. All switch calls that are not [wideband](#) are considered to be narrowband.

**NAT**

*See* [network address translation \(NAT\)](#).

**National Electrical Manufacturer's Association (NEMA)**

A trade association that develops a variety of technical standards for various parts of the electronics industry.

**native terminal support**

The presence of a predefined terminal type in switch software that eliminates the need to alias the [terminal](#). That is, when a terminal type is predefined in switch software, there is no need to manually map call [appearances](#) and [feature buttons](#) for that terminal type onto some other natively supported terminal type.

**NAU**

network access unit

**NCA/TSC**

noncall-associated/temporary-signaling connection

**NCOSS**

Network Control Operations Support Center

**NCSO**

National Customer Support Organization

**NEC**

National Engineering Center

**NEMA**

See [National Electrical Manufacturer's Association \(NEMA\)](#).

**NETCON**

network-control [circuit pack](#)

**network**

A series of points, [nodes](#), or stations that are connected by communications [channels](#).

**network address translation (NAT)**

A feature that enables a [local area network \(LAN\)](#) to use one set of IP addresses for internal traffic, and a second set of IP addresses for external traffic. Thus, many IP addresses within an intranet can be used internally without colliding with public IP addresses on the Internet. The NAT device allocates a public IP address only when IP entities require service outside the firewall.

**network interface (NI)**

A common boundary between two systems in an interconnected group of systems.

**Network Inward Dialing (NID)**

A [feature](#) that a caller can use to dial directly to an [extension](#) number of the called user facility without assistance from an operator.

**network region**

A group of IP endpoints and [switch](#) IP interfaces that are interconnected by an IP [network](#). IP interconnection is used because IP interconnection is less expensive, or provides better performance than interconnections between members of different regions.

**network-specific facility (NSF)**

An [information element \(IE\)](#) in an [ISDN-PRI](#) message that specifies which [public network](#) service is used. NSF applies only when Call-by-Call Service Selection is used to access a public network service.

**NFAS**

See [nonfacility-associated signaling \(NFAS\)](#).

**NI**

See [network interface \(NI\)](#).

**NID**

See [Network Inward Dialing \(NID\)](#).

**NM**

network management

**NN**

national number

**node**

A switching point or a control point for a [network](#). Nodes are either tandem or terminal. Tandem nodes receive signals, and pass the signals on. Terminal nodes originate a transmission path, or terminate a transmission path.

**nonfacility-associated signaling (NFAS)**

A method of signaling in which multiple [T1](#) facilities, multiple [E1](#) facilities, or both share a single [data channel \(D-channel\)](#) to form an [ISDN-PRI](#). If D-channel backup is not used, one facility is configured with a D-channel. The other facilities that share the D-channel are configured without D-channels. If D-channel backup is used, two facilities are configured with D-channels, with one D-channel on each facility. The other facilities that share the D-channels are configured without D-channels.

**North American numbering plan (NANP)**

A set of area codes and rules that determine how calls are routed across the US and Canada. *See also* [foreign numbering-plan area \(FNPA\)](#); [numbering-plan area \(NPA\)](#).

**NPA**

*See* [numbering-plan area \(NPA\)](#).

**NPE**

[network](#) processing element

**NQC**

number of queued calls

**NSE**

night-service [extension](#)

**NSF**

*See* [network-specific facility \(NSF\)](#).

**NSU**

[network](#) sharing unit

**null modem cable**

Special wiring of an [RS-232C](#) cable that a computer can use to signal a printer or another computer without the need for a modem.

**numbering-plan area (NPA)**

In North America, a system of area codes that follows a specified numbering sequence that is based on geography. In other regions, the equivalent of a city code or a routing code, for which other numbering sequences might be used. The purpose of the numbering sequences is to ensure that no two telephones in the same geographical area have the same 7-digit telephone number. *See also* [foreign numbering-plan area \(FNPA\)](#); [North American numbering plan \(NANP\)](#).

**NXX**

*See* [public network office code \(NXX\)](#).

**O****OA**

*See* [operator assisted \(OA\)](#).

**OC-3**

*See* [Optical Carrier level-3 \(OC3\)](#).

**occurrence**

See [appearance](#).

**OCM**

outbound call management

**Octaplane**

Term for the capability and the related hardware that uses a proprietary 8-GB [bus](#) to bundle stackable components into a larger logical [switch](#). The logical switch is then presented as a single network element to system management. An Octaplane is wired in a ring configuration, and provides redundancy and rerouting if one of the components must be replaced or added in a hot system.

**offered load**

The traffic that would be generated by all the requests for service that occur within a monitored interval. The monitored interval is usually 1 hour.

**off-PBX station (OPS)**

A telephone that [Avaya Communication Manager](#) does not control, such as a cellular telephone or the home telephone of a user. The features of Communication Manager can be extended to an OPS through switch administration by associating the extension of the office telephone with the off-site telephone.

**off-premises extension (OPX)**

A telephone that is located in a different building from the main telephone system, but is connected to the main telephone system with a dedicated [line](#). The remote telephone can use all the facilities of the main telephone system.

**ONS**

on-premises station

**Open Systems Interconnect (OSI)**

A system of seven independent communication [protocols](#) that was defined by the [International Organization for Standards](#) or ISO. Each of the seven layers enhances the communications services of the layer below, and shields the layer above from the implementation details of the lower layer. In theory, this structure can be used to build [communications systems](#) from independently developed layers.

**operator assisted (OA)**

A type of telephone call that a user makes with the assistance of an operator.

**OPS**

See [off-PBX station \(OPS\)](#).

**Optical Carrier level-3 (OC3)**

The [Synchronous Optical NETWORK \(SONET\)](#) includes a set of signal rate multiples for transmitting [digital](#) signals on optical fiber. The base rate (OC-1) is 51.84 Mbps. OC-2 runs at twice the base rate, OC-3 runs at three times the base rate, and so on. Planned rates include OC-1, OC-3 (155.52 Mbps), OC-12 (622.08 Mbps), and OC-48 (2.488 Gbps). [Asynchronous Transfer Mode \(ATM\)](#) uses some of the Optical Carrier levels. See also [Synchronous Transport Module-1 \(STM-1\)](#).

**optical time-domain reflectometer (OTDR)**

A device that measures distance to a reflection surface by measuring the time that is required for a lightwave pulse to reflect from the surface. One use for an OTDR is to determine where a [fiber optic](#) link is broken.

**OPX**

See [off-premises extension \(OPX\)](#).

**OQT**

oldest queued time

**OSHA**

Occupational Safety and Health Act

**OSI**

See [Open Systems Interconnect \(OSI\)](#).

**OSS**

operations support system

**OSSI**

operational support system interface

**OTDR**

See [optical time-domain reflectometer \(OTDR\)](#).

**othersplit**

A [work state](#) that indicates that an agent is currently active on a call in another [split](#), or in the [after-call work \(ACW\) mode](#) for another split.

**OTL**

originating test line

**OTQ**

See [outgoing trunk queuing \(OTQ\)](#).

**outgoing gateway**

A [switch](#) that routes an incoming call on a [trunk](#) that is administered for Supplementary Services Protocol B to a trunk that is not administered for Supplementary Services Protocol B.

**outgoing trunk queuing (OTQ)**

A [feature](#) by which [extensions](#) that dial a busy outgoing [trunk group](#) can be automatically placed in a queue, and then called back when a trunk in the outgoing group is available.

**P****PACCON**

[packet](#) control

**packet**

A group of bits that is used in [packet switching](#) and that is transmitted as a discrete unit. A packet includes a message element and a control [information element \(IE\)](#). The message element is the data. The control IE is the header. In each packet, the message element and the control IE are arranged in a specified format.

**packet assembly/disassembly (PAD)**

The process of packetizing control data and user data from a transmitting device before the data is forwarded through the packet network. The receiving device disassembles the [packets](#), removes the control data, and then reassembles the packets, thus reconstituting the user data in its original form. See also [packet bus](#); [packet switching](#).

**packet bus**

A [bus](#) with a wide [bandwidth](#) that transmits [packets](#). See also [packet assembly/disassembly \(PAD\)](#); [packet switching](#).

**packet switching**

A data-transmission technique that segments and routes user information in discrete data envelopes that are called [packets](#). Control information for routing, sequencing, and error checking is appended to each packet. With packet switching, a [channel](#) is occupied only during the transmission of a packet. On completion of the transmission, the channel is made available for the transfer of other packets. *See also* [BX.25](#); [packet assembly/disassembly \(PAD\)](#); [packet bus](#).

**PAD**

*See* [packet assembly/disassembly \(PAD\)](#).

**paging trunk**

A telecommunications [channel](#) that is used to access an amplifier for loudspeaker paging.

**party/extension active on call**

A person who is actually connected to a call, either in an active talk state or in a held state. An originator of a call is always a party on the call. Alerting parties, busy parties, and tones are not parties on the call.

**PBX**

private branch exchange. *See* [switch](#).

**PCI**

*See* [Peripheral Component Interconnect \(PCI\)](#).

**PCM**

*See* [pulse-code modulation \(PCM\)](#).

**PCOL**

*See* [personal central office line \(PCOL\)](#).

**PCOLG**

personal [central office](#) line group

**PCR**

peak cell rate

**PCS**

permanent switched calls

**PDM**

*See* [processor data module \(PDM\)](#).

**PDS**

*See* [Premises Distribution System \(PDS\)](#).

**PE**

(1) processor element; (2) [PRI endpoint](#).

**PEI**

processor element interchange

**Peripheral Component Interconnect (PCI)**

A local [bus](#) technology. [Small computer system interface \(SCSI\)](#) host adapters, video cards, and other peripherals use PCI to send data directly to and receive data directly from the CPU.

**permanent virtual circuit (PVC)**

A virtual [circuit](#) that provides service that is equivalent to a dedicated [private line](#) over a [packet switching](#) network between two [data terminal equipment \(DTE\)](#) devices. PVC uses a fixed logical [channel](#) to maintain a permanent association between the DTE devices. Once a PVC is defined, no setup operation is required before data is sent, and no disconnect operation is required after data is sent. [ATM-CES](#) uses PVCs as the basis for the permanent connections. *See also* [virtual circuit \(VC\)](#).

**personal central office line (PCOL)**

A service that provides a user of a [switch](#) with access to a [central office \(CO\)](#) line that is dedicated to that user. A user with a PCOL can make and receive calls that bypass the switch.

**Personal Station Access (PSA)**

A [feature](#) that selected users can use to change the current station along with the features and capabilities that are associated with a particular compatible switch [port](#), to another compatible station with different features and capabilities.

**PGATE**

[packet](#) gateway

**PGN**

partitioned group number

**Phantom Calls**

A [feature](#) by which calls can originate either from an [Administration Without Hardware \(AWOH\)](#) station, or from a non-[hunt group](#) that is made up of AWOH stations.

**PI**

processor interface

**PIB**

processor interface board

**pickup group**

A group of individuals who are authorized to answer any call that is directed to an [extension](#) within the group.

**PIDB**

product image database

**PKTINT**

[packet](#) interface

**PL**

*See* [private line](#).

**PLS**

*See* [Premises Lightwave System \(PLS\)](#).

**PMS**

*See* [Property Management System \(PMS\)](#).

**PN**

*See* [port network \(PN\)](#).

**PNA**

[private network](#) access

**PNI**

[port network](#) interface

**PNL**

[port network](#) link

**POE**

processor occupancy evaluation

**point of presence (POP)**

A physical place where a carrier has presence for [network](#) access. A POP is usually a [switch](#) or a [router](#).

**Point-to-Point Protocol (PPP)**

A connection-oriented, [packet-data protocol](#) that is commonly used in support of dial-up access from a personal computer to an Internet service provider (ISP). PPP uses an [analog line](#) through the [public switched telephone network \(PSTN\)](#), but provides many of the benefits of a direct connection.

**POP**

See [point of presence \(POP\)](#).

**port**

A data-transmission access point or voice-transmission access point on a device that is used for communicating with other devices. See also [data port](#).

**port carrier**

A [carrier](#) in a multicarrier [cabinet](#) or a single-carrier cabinet. A port carrier contains port [circuit packs](#), power units, and service [circuits](#). In a single-carrier cabinet, a port carrier is also called a *port cabinet*.

**port interfaces**

Interfaces that connect to [trunks](#), voice links, [data links](#), and communications equipment.

**port network (PN)**

A [cabinet](#) that contains a [time-division multiplex \(TDM\) bus](#) and a [packet bus](#) to which port [circuit packs](#), control circuit packs, service circuit packs, and power converter circuit packs can be connected. Each PN is controlled either locally or remotely by a [switch processing element \(SPE\)](#).

**port network connectivity**

An alternative to the direct connect configuration or the [center-stage switch \(CSS\)](#) configuration when connecting a [processor port network \(PPN\)](#) to one or more [expansion port networks \(EPNs\)](#).

**Postal Telephone and Telegraph (PTT)**

The official government body that administers and manages the telecommunications systems in many European countries.

**power failure transfer**

See [emergency transfer](#).

**PPM**

periodic pulse metering

**PPP**

See [Point-to-Point Protocol \(PPP\)](#).

**PPN**

See [processor port network \(PPN\)](#).

**Premises Distribution System (PDS)**

A multifunctional distribution system that uses [fiber optic](#) cable and twisted pair copper wire to provide on-premise support for voice, data, graphics, and video communications. See also [Premises Lightwave System \(PLS\)](#).

**Premises Lightwave System (PLS)**

Two [fiber optic](#) interface units that can be used to replace the coaxial cables that connect [terminals](#) and printers. The units connect to terminals and printers through four-pair building wire and special adapters. *See also* [Premises Distribution System \(PDS\)](#).

**PRI**

*See* [Integrated Services Digital Network Primary Rate Interface \(ISDN-PRI\)](#).

**PRI endpoint (PE)**

The [wideband](#) switching capability introduces [PRI endpoints \(PEs\)](#) on switch line-side interfaces. A PRI endpoint consists of one or more contiguous [bearer channels \(B-channels\)](#) on a line-side [T1 ISDN-PRI](#) facility or a line-side [E1 ISDN-PRI](#) facility, and has an extension. Endpoint applications have call-control capabilities over PEs.

**primary extension**

The main [extension](#) that is associated with a physical telephone or a [data terminal](#).

**Primary Rate Interface (PRI)**

*See* [Integrated Services Digital Network Primary Rate Interface \(ISDN-PRI\)](#).

**principal**

(1) A [terminal](#) for which the primary [extension](#) is bridged on one or more other terminals. (2) A person to whom a telephone is assigned, and whose calls are covered by a message center.

**private line**

A direct [circuit](#) or a direct [channel](#) that is dedicated specifically to the telecommunications needs of a particular customer. *See also* [private network](#).

**private network**

A [network](#) that is used exclusively for the telecommunications needs of a particular customer. *See also* [private network office code \(RNX\)](#); [private line](#).

**private network office code (RNX)**

The first 3 digits of a 7-digit [private network](#) number.

**processor carrier**

*See* [processor port network \(PPN\) control carrier](#).

**processor data module (PDM)**

A device that provides an [RS-232C data communications equipment \(DCE\)](#) interface for connecting to [data terminals](#), applications processors (APs), and [host computers](#). A PDM provides a [Digital Communications Protocol \(DCP\)](#) interface for connection to a [communications system](#). *See also* [modular processor data module \(MPDM\)](#).

**processor port network (PPN)**

In DEFINITY Server configurations, a [port network \(PN\)](#) that is controlled by a [switch processing element \(SPE\)](#) that is connected directly to the [time-division multiplex \(TDM\) bus](#) and [local area network \(LAN\) bus](#) of that PN.

**processor port network (PPN) control carrier**

In DEFINITY Server configurations, a [carrier](#) that contains the maintenance [circuit pack](#), the tone/clock circuit pack, and the [switch processing element \(SPE\)](#) circuit packs for a [processor port network \(PPN\)](#). The PPN control carrier can also contain port circuit packs.

**PROC**

processor

**Property Management System (PMS)**

A stand-alone computer that lodging establishments and health-services organizations use for reservations, housekeeping, billing, and similar services.

**protocol**

A set of conventions or rules that governs the format and the timing of message exchanges. A protocol controls error correction and the movement of data.

**PSAP**

See [public safety answering point \(PSAP\)](#).

**PSC**

premises service consultant

**PSDN**

[packet-switch](#) public data network

**PSTN**

See [public switched telephone network \(PSTN\)](#).

**PT**

personal [terminal](#)

**PTC**

positive temperature coefficient

**PTT**

See [Postal Telephone and Telegraph \(PTT\)](#).

**public network**

A [network](#) to which all customers have open access for local calling and long distance calling.

**public network office code (NXX)**

The first 3 digits of a 7-digit local telephone number. These digits identify the [central office \(CO\)](#) that serves that local telephone number.

**public safety answering point (PSAP)**

A generic term for the person or persons who answer 911 emergency telephone calls. See also [Caller's Emergency Service Identification \(CESID\)](#).

**public switched telephone network (PSTN)**

The public worldwide voice telephone [network](#).

**pulse-amplitude modulation (PAM)**

A technique for [analog](#) multiplexing that places binary information on a carrier to transmit that information. The amplitude of the information that is modulated controls the amplitude of the modulated pulse. See also [pulse-code modulation \(PCM\)](#).

**pulse-code modulation (PCM)**

An extension of [pulse-amplitude modulation \(PAM\)](#) in which carrier-signal pulses that are modulated by an [analog](#) signal, such as speech, are quantized and encoded to a [digital](#) format. This digital format is usually binary.

**PVC**

See [permanent virtual circuit \(PVC\)](#).

## Q

**QoS**

See [Quality of Service \(QoS\)](#).

**QPPCN**

Quality Protection Plan Change Notice

**quadrant**

A group of six contiguous [digital signal-0s \(DS0s\)](#) in fixed locations on an [ISDN-PRI](#) facility. The term comes from [T1](#) terminology, where *quadrant* means one-fourth of a T1, but an [E1](#) ISDN-PRI facility (30B + D) has five quadrants.

**Quality of Service (QoS)**

The measurement of transmission rates, error rates, and other characteristics to define the quality of the service that is provided to telephone subscribers or users of a [network](#). QoS is of particular concern for the continuous transmission of high-[bandwidth](#) video and multimedia information. Transmitting this kind of content dependably is difficult in [public networks](#) using ordinary best-effort protocols.

**queue**

An ordered sequence of calls that are waiting to be processed.

**queuing**

The process of holding calls in order of arrival to await connection to an [attendant](#), an answering group, or an idle [trunk](#). Calls that are in a queue are automatically connected in a first-in, first-out sequence.

**R****RADIUS**

See [Remote Authentication Dial-In User Service \(RADIUS\)](#).

**random access memory (RAM)**

A storage arrangement in which information is retrieved at a speed that is independent of the location of the stored information. See also [dynamic random access memory \(DRAM\)](#).

**RBS**

See [robbed-bit signaling \(RBS\)](#).

**RC**

radio controller

**RCL**

restricted call list

**RDI**

remote defect indication

**real-time operating system (RTOS)**

A computer [architecture](#) in which the system responds to input immediately. RTOS computers are used for such tasks as navigation, in which the computer must react to a steady flow of new information without interruption. Most general-purpose operating systems are not real-time because those operating systems can take a few seconds, or even minutes, to react.

**Real Time Transfer Protocol (RTP)**

An [Internet Engineering Task Force \(IETF\) protocol](#) (RFC 1889) that addresses the problems that occur when video and other exchanges with real-time properties are delivered over a [local area network \(LAN\)](#) that is designed for data. RTP gives higher priority to video and other real-time interactive exchanges than to connectionless data.

**recall dial tone**

A tone that the system delivers when the system completes a function such as holding a call, and is ready to accept dialing.

**redirection criteria**

Information that determines when an incoming call is redirected to coverage. Redirection criteria are administered for the coverage path of each telephone.

**Redirection on No Answer**

An optional [feature](#) that redirects an unanswered [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\)](#) call after an administered number of rings. The call is redirected back to the [agent](#).

**reduced-instruction-set computing (RISC)**

A computer architecture that is designed for speed. RISC computers use specially developed high-speed processing, and a relatively simple set of operating commands to execute instructions more quickly than a conventional personal computer. RISC is used primarily for operations that are calculation intensive.

**Registered Jack 45 (RJ45)**

A single-line jack for digital transmission over 4-pair ordinary telephone wire. RJ telephone jacks and data plugs are registered with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

**release**

The action of initiating the disconnection of a call.

**release-link trunk (RLT)**

A telecommunications [channel](#) that is used with centralized [attendant](#) service to connect attendant-seeking calls from a branch location to a main location.

**release signal**

The signal that one [switch](#) sends to another switch to disconnect a call. If the calling switch ends the call, the calling switch sends a forward release signal. If the receiving switch ends the call, the receiving switch sends a backward release signal.

**Remote Authentication Dial-In User Service (RADIUS)**

A client/server [protocol](#) and software with which remote access servers communicate with a central server to authenticate a dial-in user, and authorize user access to the requested system or service. Companies that use RADIUS can maintain user profiles in a central database that all remote servers can share, and set up a policy that can be applied at a single administered network point. RADIUS improves security, and facilitates usage tracking for billing and for keeping [network](#) statistics.

**remote home numbering-plan area code (RHNPA)**

A [foreign numbering-plan area code \(FNPAC\)](#) that the [Automatic Route Selection \(ARS\)](#) feature treats as a home area code. Calls can be allowed or denied based on the area code and the dialed [central office \(CO\)](#) code, instead of only the area code. If the call is allowed, the ARS pattern that is used for the call is determined by the six digits of the area code and the CO code. *See also* [numbering-plan area \(NPA\)](#).

**Remote Maintenance, Administration, and Traffic System (RMATS)**

The equipment and programming that is used to run, maintain, and test a telephone system remotely, usually by dialing in to the system on a special telephone [line](#).

**Remote Monitoring (RMON)**

A standard monitoring specification for shared Ethernet and token ring media that is defined in RFC 1757. With RMON, various [network](#) monitors and console systems can exchange network-monitoring data. The RMON specification defines a set of statistics and functions that can be exchanged between console managers and network probes that are RMON compliant. As such, RMON provides network administrators with comprehensive network-fault diagnosis, planning, and performance-tuning information. RMON has two levels. RMON-I analyzes the [Media Access Control \(MAC\)](#) layer. RMON-II analyzes the upper Layers 3 and above. *See also* [Switched Monitoring \(SMON\)](#).

**Remote Operations Service Element (ROSE)**

A standard of both [CCITT](#) and [ISO](#) that defines a notation and services that support interactions between the various entities that make up a distributed application.

**REN**

See [ringer equivalency number \(REN\)](#).

**reorder tone**

A tone that the system delivers when a [trunk](#), a digital transmitter, or some other facility that is needed for a call is unavailable.

**report scheduler**

Software that is used with the system printer to schedule the days of the week and the time of day that reports are printed.

**Resource Reservation Protocol (RSVP)**

A [protocol](#) that allows [channels](#) or paths on the Internet to be reserved for the transmission of video and other high-[bandwidth](#) messages. With RSVP, users can reserve bandwidth through the Internet in advance, and be able to receive data at a higher rate and in a more dependable flow than usual. The higher rate and more dependable flow are possible because the quality of service requests of a user are propagated to all [routers](#) along the data path, and the [network](#) reconfigures itself to meet the desired levels of service. See also [Quality of Service \(QoS\)](#).

**RHNPA**

See [remote home numbering-plan area code \(RHNPA\)](#).

**ringer equivalency number (REN)**

A number that is assigned to a telephone or a similar device to identify how much current the device draws.

**RINL**

remote indirect neighbor link

**RISC**

See [reduced-instruction-set computing \(RISC\)](#).

**RJ45**

See [Registered Jack 45 \(RJ45\)](#).

**RLT**

See [release-link trunk \(RLT\)](#).

**RMATS**

See [Remote Maintenance, Administration, and Traffic System \(RMATS\)](#).

**RMON**

See [Remote Monitoring \(RMON\)](#).

**RNX**

See [private network office code \(RNX\)](#).

**robbed-bit signaling (RBS)**

A signaling method that is used in [T1](#). With RBS, each side of a T1 termination sends two bits of data, which are usually called the A bit and the B bit. These two bits of data are buried in the voice data of each voice [channel](#) in the T1 [circuit](#). Thus the bits are “stolen” from the voice data, and hence the name “robbed bit.”

**ROSE**

See [Remote Operations Service Element \(ROSE\)](#).

**router**

A device that supports communications between [local area networks \(LANs\)](#). Routers can be equipped to provide frame relay support to the LAN devices that they serve. A router that is frame relay capable encapsulates LAN frames in frame relay frames and feeds those frame relay frames to a frame relay switch for transmission across the [network](#). A router that is frame relay capable also receives frame relay frames from the network, strips the frame relay frame off each frame to produce the original LAN frame, and passes the LAN frame on to the end device. Routers connect multiple LAN segments to each other or to a [wide area network \(WAN\)](#). Routers route traffic on the Level 3 LAN protocol, for example, the [Internet Protocol \(IP\)](#) address. *See also* [bridge](#).

**RPN**

routing-plan number

**RS-232C**

A physical interface that is specified by the [Electronics Industries Association \(EIA\)](#). RS-232C transmits and receives asynchronous data at speeds of up to 19.2 kbps over cable distances of up to 50 feet (15.25 meters). Also called *EIA/TIA 232E*. *See also* [RS-449](#).

**RS-449**

A physical interface that is specified by the [Electronics Industries Association \(EIA\)](#). RS-449 transmits and receives asynchronous data at speeds of up to 2 Mbps over cable distances of up to 200 feet (61 meters). RS-449 is essentially a faster version of [RS-232C](#) that is capable of longer cable runs. Also called *EIA/TIA 449*.

**RSC**

Regional Support Center

**RTCP**

Real Time Control Protocol

**RTOS**

*See* [real-time operating system \(RTOS\)](#).

**RTP**

*See* [Real Time Transfer Protocol \(RTP\)](#).

**S****S1**

The first logical signaling [channel](#) of the [Digital Communications Protocol \(DCP\)](#). The S1 channel is used to provide signaling information for the [I1](#) channel of [Digital Communications Protocol \(DCP\)](#).

**S2**

The second logical signaling [channel](#) of the [Digital Communications Protocol \(DCP\)](#). The S2 channel is used to provide signaling information for the [I2](#) channel of [Digital Communications Protocol \(DCP\)](#).

**SABM**

set asynchronous balance mode

**SAC**

send all calls

**SAT**

*See* [System Access Terminal \(SAT\)](#).

**SBA**

simulated bridged appearance

**SCC**

serial communications controller

**SCC1**

See [SCC1 Media Gateway](#).

**SCC1 Media Gateway**

An [Avaya Media Gateway](#) with a single carrier.

**SCD**

[switch](#)-control driver

**SCI**

[switch](#) communications interface

**SCO**

system control office

**SCOTCH**

[switch](#) conferencing for TDM bus in concentration highway

**SCSI**

See [small computer system interface \(SCSI\)](#).

**SDDN**

software-defined data network

**SDH**

See [Synchronous Digital Hierarchy \(SDH\)](#).

**SDI**

switched digital international

**SDLC**

See [Synchronous Data-Link Control \(SDLC\)](#).

**SDN**

software-defined network

**service level agreement (SLA)**

A contract between a service provider and a user that defines the nature of the service that is provided. An SLA also establishes a set of measurements to measure the level of service that is provided against the level of service that was agreed to.

**service profile identifier (SPID)**

A number that is assigned to every [terminal](#) device that is connected to an [ISDN](#) line for [circuit](#)-switched network access. The SPID is programmed into the customer equipment to provide the appropriate services and [features](#) for each device that communicates over the ISDN [line](#) and the [bearer channel \(B-channel\)](#). A SPID is based on the customer area code, although the service provider determines the specific format.

**Session Initiated Protocol (SIP)**

A signaling [protocol](#) for Internet conferencing, telephony, presence, events notification, and instant messaging. SIP initiates call setup, routing, authentication, and other feature messages to endpoints within an IP [domain](#). See also [H.323](#); [Voice over IP \(VoIP\)](#).

**SFRL**

single-frequency return loss

**SID**

station-identification number

**Simple Management Network Protocol (SNMP)**

The industry-standard [protocol](#) that governs [network](#) management, and the monitoring of network devices and the functions of those devices. The use of SNMP is not necessarily limited to [TCP/IP](#) networks, but can be implemented over Ethernet and [Open Systems Interconnect \(OSI\)](#) transports. *See also* [Remote Monitoring \(RMON\)](#).

**simulated bridged appearance**

A bridged [appearance](#) that the principal user of a telephone user can use to bridge onto a call that another party answered on his or her behalf. A simulated bridge appearance is the same as a temporary bridged appearance.

**single-line voice terminal**

A telephone that is served by a single-[line](#) tip and ring [circuit](#). Avaya single-line telephones include models 500, 2500, 7101A, and 7103A. *See also* [multiappearance telephone](#).

**SIP**

*See* [Session Initiated Protocol \(SIP\)](#).

**SIT**

*See* [special information tone \(SIT\)](#).

**SLS**

service level supervisor

**small computer system interface (SCSI)**

An [American National Standards Institute \(ANSI\)](#) [bus](#) standard that provides a high-level command interface between [host computers](#) and peripheral devices.

**SMDR**

Station Message Detail Recording. *See* [Call Detail Recording \(CDR\)](#).

**SMM**

standby maintenance monitor

**SMON**

*See* [Switched Monitoring \(SMON\)](#).

**SMT**

*See* [System Management Terminal \(SMT\)](#).

**SN**

[switch node](#)

**SNA**

*See* [Systems Network Architecture \(SNA\)](#).

**SNC**

(1) [switch node carrier](#); (2) [switch node clock](#).

**SNI**

*See* [switch node interface \(SNI\)](#).

**SNL**

*See* [switch node link \(SNL\)](#).

**SNMP**

*See* [Simple Management Network Protocol \(SNMP\)](#).

**SONET**

*See* [Synchronous Optical NETwork \(SONET\)](#).

**SPE**

See [switch processing element \(SPE\)](#).

**special information tone (SIT)**

One of a series of tones that a service provider plays at the beginning of recorded [announcements](#). SITs indicate conditions such as the number that was dialed is no longer in service, the number that was dialed has changed, and so on.

**SPID**

See [service profile identifier \(SPID\)](#).

**split**

A [hunt group](#) or an [extension](#) group.

**split (agent) status report**

A report that provides real-time status and measurement data for internally measured [agents](#) and the [split](#) to which the agents are assigned.

**split condition**

A condition whereby a caller is temporarily separated from a connection with an [attendant](#). A [split](#) condition automatically occurs when the attendant, who is active on a call, presses the start button.

**split number**

The number that identifies a [split](#) to the [switch](#), and to the Avaya Basic Call Management System (BCMS).

**split report**

A report that provides historical traffic information for internally measured [splits](#).

**SSI**

standard serial interface

**SSM**

single-site management

**SSV**

station service

**ST3**

Stratum 3 clock board

**staffed**

A designation that indicates that an [agent](#) position is logged in. A staffed agent functions in one of four work modes: [auto-in work mode](#), [manual-in work mode](#), [after-call work \(ACW\) mode](#), or [aux work mode](#).

**standard serial interface (SSI)**

A communications [protocol](#) that was developed for use with a 500-type [business communications terminal \(BCT\)](#) and a 400-series printer.

**STARLAN**

A star-based [local area network](#).

**Station Message Detail Recording (SMDR)**

See [Call Detail Recording \(CDR\)](#).

**status lamp**

A green light that indicates the status of a call [call appearance](#) button or a [feature button](#). A status lamp can be lit, unlit, flashing, or fluttering, depending on the status of the call appearance button or the feature button.

**STM-1**

See [Synchronous Transport Module-1 \(STM-1\)](#).

**stroke counts**

A method that an [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\) agent](#) uses to record up to nine customer-defined events per call when the [Avaya Call Management System \(CMS\)](#) is active.

**Subnet Trunking**

A [feature](#) that provides for the manipulation of digits based on the selected routing preference on calls that use [Automatic Alternate Routing \(AAR\)](#) and [Automatic Route Selection \(ARS\)](#).

**survivable CC**

See [local survivable processor \(LSP\)](#).

**SVC**

See [switched virtual connection \(SVC\)](#).

**SVN**

security-violation notification

**switch**

Any kind of telephone switching system. See also [communications system](#).

**switchhook**

The buttons that are located on a telephone under the receiver.

**switch node carrier**

A [carrier](#) that contains a single [switch node](#), power units, and, optionally, one or two DS1 converter [circuit packs](#). A switch node carrier is located in a [center-stage switch \(CSS\)](#).

**switch node clock**

The [circuit pack](#) in a [switch node carrier](#) that provides clock function, maintenance alarm function, and environmental monitors.

**switch node interface (SNI)**

A [circuit pack](#) that is the basic building block of a [switch node](#). An SNI circuit pack controls the routing of [circuit](#), [packet](#), and control messages.

**switch node link (SNL)**

The hardware that provides a bridge between two or more [switch nodes](#). The SNL consists of the two SNI [circuit packs](#) that reside on the switch nodes, and the hardware that connects the SNIs. This hardware can include lightwave transceivers that convert the electrical signals of the SNI to light signals, the copper wire that connects the SNIs to the lightwave transceivers, a full-duplex [fiber-optic](#) cable, [digital signal-1 \(DS1\)](#) converter circuit cards, and appropriate connectors. This hardware can also include DS1 facilities if a company does not have rights to lay cable. See also [switch node interface \(SNI\)](#).

**switch processing element (SPE)**

The control complex that operates the system. In DEFINITY Servers, the SPE includes all control [circuit packs](#). Other configurations place some of the SPE functions in other components of the control [network](#), such as servers and Ethernet switches.

**Switched Monitoring (SMON)**

An extension of the [Remote Monitoring \(RMON\)](#) standard. Device SMON is an extension of RMON-I that provides additional tools and features for monitoring in a local [switch](#) environment. AnyLayer SMON is an extension of RMON-II that provides a global view of traffic flow in a [network](#) with multiple [switches](#). SMON collects and displays data in real time. SMON can provide a global view of the traffic for all switches on the network, an overall view of the traffic that passes through a specific switch, detailed data about the hosts that transmit [packets](#) through a switch, an analysis of the traffic that passes through each port that is connected through a switch, and a view of traffic between the various hosts that are connected to a switch.

**switched virtual connection (SVC)**

A virtual link that is established through an [Asynchronous Transfer Mode \(ATM\) network](#). An SVC is the basic “building block” of [port network \(PN\)](#) interconnectivity. Two SVCs, one in each direction, are required for a bi-directional talk path between PNs in an [Asynchronous Transfer Mode \(ATM\)-PNC](#) configuration.

**SXS**

step-by-step

**Synchronous Data-Link Control (SDLC)**

A bit-oriented synchronous communications [protocol](#). SDLC supports device communications that are usually conducted over high-speed, dedicated [private line](#), digital [circuits](#). SDLC operates in either a point-to-point [network](#) configuration or a multipoint network configuration.

**synchronous data transmission**

A method of sending data in which discrete signal elements are sent at a fixed continuous rate and specified times. *See also* [Synchronous Optical NETWORK \(SONET\)](#).

**Synchronous Digital Hierarchy (SDH)**

An ITU standard for transmission in synchronous optical networks. SDH is used outside the US.

**Synchronous Optical NETWORK (SONET)**

A system of [fiber optic](#) transmission rates for speeds from 51 Mbps to 30 Gbps and higher. SONET defines a standard that allows for the interworking of transmission products from multiple vendors. *See also* [Optical Carrier level-3 \(OC3\)](#).

**Synchronous Transport Module-1 (STM-1)**

[Synchronous Optical NETWORK \(SONET\)](#) standard for transmission over OC-3 optical fiber at 155.52 Mbps. *See also* [Optical Carrier level-3 \(OC3\)](#).

**SYSAM**

system access and administration

**System Access Terminal (SAT)**

An interface into the DEFINITY Server and DEFINITY [media server](#) configurations for administrative and maintenance functions.

**system administrator**

A person who maintains overall customer responsibility for administration of a [communications system](#).

**System Management Terminal (SMT)**

An administration device for System 85. The SMT provides the customer with limited administration capability.

**system printer**

An optional printer that can be used to print the reports that the report scheduler sends.

**system reload**

A process by which stored data is written from a tape into the system memory. A system reload normally occurs after a power outage.

**system report**

See [split report](#).

**Systems Network Architecture (SNA)**

An [architecture](#) for computer networking that establishes a logical path between [network nodes](#), and routes each message with addressing information that is contained in the [protocol](#). SNA uses the [Synchronous Data-Link Control \(SDLC\)](#) protocol exclusively.

## T

**T1**

The most commonly used [digital line](#) in the US, Canada, and Japan. In these countries, T1 carries 24 [pulse-code modulation \(PCM\)](#) signals using [time-division multiplexing \(TDM\)](#) at an overall rate of 1.544 megabits per second. See also [E1](#).

**T3**

The North American standard for [Digital Signal Level 3 \(DS-3\)](#). T3 operates at a signaling rate of 44.736 megabits per second.

**TAAS**

See [Trunk Answer from Any Station \(TAAS\)](#).

**TABS**

telemetry asynchronous block serial

**TAC**

trunk-access code

**tandem switch**

A [switch](#) within an [electronic tandem network \(ETN\)](#). A tandem switch provides the logic to determine the best route for a [network](#) call, possibly modifies the digits that are outpulsed, and allows or denies certain calls to certain users.

**tandem through**

A switched connection of an incoming [trunk](#) to an outgoing trunk that occurs without human intervention.

**tandem tie-trunk network (TTTN)**

A [private network](#) that interconnects several switching systems that are owned by the same customer.

**TC**

technical consultant

**TCM**

See [traveling class mark \(TCM\)](#).

**TCP**

See [Transmission Control Protocol \(TCP\)](#).

**TCP/IP**

See [Internet Protocol \(IP\)](#). See also [Transmission Control Protocol \(TCP\)](#).

**TDM**

See [time-division multiplexing \(TDM\)](#).

**TDM bus**

See [time-division multiplex \(TDM\) bus](#).

**TDR**

See [Time-of-Day Routing \(TDR\)](#).

**TEG**

terminating [extension](#) group

**Teletypewriter (TTY)**

A [data terminal](#) that works with a telephone. A TTY sends and receives special audio tones that are known as Baudot code. The TTY then translates this code into text, and sends the text to an alphanumeric display. TTYs are helpful for people with communication disabilities.

**temporary bridged appearance**

See [simulated bridged appearance](#).

**terminal**

A device that sends data and receives data within a system. See also [administration terminal](#).

**TFTP**

See [Trivial File Transfer Protocol \(TFTP\)](#).

**tie trunk**

A telecommunications [channel](#) that directly connects two private switching systems.

**time-division multiplex (TDM) bus**

A [bus](#) that is time-shared regularly by preallocating short [time slots](#) to each transmitter. In a [switch](#), all [port circuits](#) are connected to the [time-division multiplex \(TDM\) bus](#), and any port can send a signal to any other port. See also [time-division multiplexing \(TDM\)](#).

**time-division multiplexing (TDM)**

A form of [multiplexing](#) that divides a transmission [channel](#) into successive [time slots](#). See also [time-division multiplex \(TDM\) bus](#).

**time interval**

The period of time, either 1 hour or 30 minutes, that Avaya Basic Call Management System (BCMS) measurements are collected for a report.

**Time-of-Day Routing (TDR)**

A [feature](#) that automatically changes access to certain types of [lines](#) based on the most favorable usage rates for various times during the day.

**time slice**

See [time interval](#).

**time slot**

In the [switch](#), a time slot refers to either a [digital signal-0 \(DS0\)](#) on a [T1](#) facility or an [E1](#) facility, or a 64-kbps unit on the [time-division multiplex \(TDM\) bus](#) or fiber connection between [port networks \(PNs\)](#) that is structured as 8 bits every 125 microseconds.

**time slot sequence integrity**

The situation whereby the  $N$  octets of a [wideband](#) call that are transmitted in one [T1](#) frame or one [E1](#) frame arrive at the output in the same order that the octets were introduced.

**to control**

An application can invoke Third Party Call Control [capabilities](#) using either an [adjunct-control association](#) or a [domain-control association](#). See also [to monitor](#).

**TOD**

time of day

**to monitor**

An application can receive event reports on an [active-notification association](#), an [adjunct-control association](#), or a [domain-control association](#). *See also* [to control](#).

**tone ringer**

A device with a speaker that is used in electronic telephones to alert the user.

**TOP**

task-oriented protocol

**TOS**

*See* [Type Of Service \(TOS\)](#).

**Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)**

A connection-oriented transport-layer [protocol](#), IETF STD 7. RFC 793, that governs the exchange of sequential data. Whereas the [Internet Protocol \(IP\)](#) deals only with [packets](#), TCP enables two hosts to establish a connection and exchange streams of data. TCP guarantees delivery of data, and also guarantees that packets are delivered in the same order in which the packets are sent.

**traveling class mark (TCM)**

A code that accompanies a long distance call over the telephone [network](#). The distant system uses the TCM to determine the best available long distance line that is consistent with the calling privileges of the user.

**Trivial File Transfer Protocol (TFTP)**

A simplified version of [File Transfer Protocol \(FTP\)](#). TFTP transfers files, but does not provide password protection or user-directory capability.

**trunk**

A dedicated telecommunications [channel](#) between two [communications systems](#) or [central offices \(COs\)](#).

**trunk allocation**

The manner in which [trunks](#) are selected to form [wideband channels](#).

**Trunk Answer from Any Station (TAAS)**

A [feature](#) that provides a special code or a [feature button](#) that a user can use to answer an incoming call from any telephone in the system.

**trunk group**

Telecommunications [channels](#) that are assigned as a group for certain functions, and that can be used interchangeably between two [communications systems](#) or [central offices \(COs\)](#).

**trunk-data module**

A device that connects off-premises [private line trunk](#) facilities and a DEFINITY Server. The trunk-data module converts between the [RS-232C](#) and [Digital Communications Protocol \(DCP\)](#), and can connect to [Direct Distance Dialing \(DDD\)](#) modems as the DCP member of a [modem pool](#).

**TSC**

Technical Service Center

**TTI**

terminal translation initialization

**TTR**

touchtone receiver

**TTT**  
terminating trunk transmission

**TTTN**  
*See* [tandem tie-trunk network \(TTTN\)](#).

**TTY**  
*See* [Teletypewriter \(TTY\)](#).

**tunneling**  
The use of the Internet as part of a secure private [private network](#). The tunnel is the particular path that a given company message or file might travel through the Internet.

**Type Of Service (TOS)**  
One of the fields in an IP [packet](#) header. TOS is also used by [Differentiated Services \(DiffServ\)](#).

## U

**UAP**  
usage-allocation plan

**UART**  
*See* [universal asynchronous receiver/transmitter \(UART\)](#).

**UCD**  
*See* [Uniform Call Distribution \(UCD\)](#).

**UCL**  
unrestricted call list

**UDP**  
(1) [User Datagram Protocol](#); (2) [Uniform Dial Plan](#).

**UL**  
*See* [Underwriters Laboratories \(UL\)](#).

**UM**  
user manager

**Underwriters Laboratories (UL)**  
A nonprofit organization that tests and rates devices, materials, and systems for safety.

**Uniform Call Distribution (UCD)**  
A [feature](#) that distributes calls among [agents](#) according to a predetermined logic, and provides rudimentary reports. *See also* [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\)](#).

**Uniform Dial Plan (UDP)**  
A [feature](#) that is used to assign a unique 4-digit or 5-digit number for each [terminal](#) in a multiswitch configuration such as a [distributed communications system \(DCS\)](#) or a [main-satellite-tributary \(MST\)](#) system.

**uniform numbering plan (UNP)**  
The assignment of a uniform 7-digit number to each telephone in a [private network](#). The same number will reach telephones anywhere in the network, regardless of where the call originates.

**Uniform Resource Locator (URL)**  
An Internet address that specifies the location of Web pages, files, and scripts.

**universal asynchronous receiver/transmitter (UART)**

A device that converts outgoing parallel data from a computer for serial transmission, and converts incoming serial data to parallel data for reception.

**universal serial bus (USB)**

A high-speed serial interface that is used primarily to add a printer, a modem, a keyboard, a mouse, or another peripheral device to a personal computer.

**UNIX-to-UNIX Communications Protocol (UUCP)**

Any one of several [protocols](#) that is used to transfer files between computers that use a UNIX operating system. UUCP is widely used for the transfer of electronic mail.

**UNMA**

unified network management architecture

**UNP**

See [uniform numbering plan \(UNP\)](#).

**UPS**

uninterruptible power supply

**URL**

See [Uniform Resource Locator \(URL\)](#).

**USB**

See [universal serial bus \(USB\)](#).

**User Datagram Protocol (UDP)**

A [packet](#) format that is included in the [TCP/IP](#) suite of [protocols](#). UDP is used for the unacknowledged transmission of short user messages and control messages.

**user-to-user information (UUI)**

End-to-end signaling information that is sent over an [ISDN data channel \(D-channel\)](#).

**USOP**

user service-order profile

**UUCP**

See [UNIX-to-UNIX Communications Protocol \(UUCP\)](#).

**UUI**

See [user-to-user information \(UUI\)](#).

## V

**V.35**

The trunk interface between a [network](#) access device and a [packet](#) network that defines signaling for [data rates](#) that are greater than 19.2 kilobytes per second. V.35 can use the [bandwidths](#) of several telephone [circuits](#) as a group.

**VAR**

value-added reseller

**VC**

See [virtual circuit \(VC\)](#).

**VDN**

See [vector directory number \(VDN\)](#).

**vector**

See [call vector](#). See also [vector-controlled split](#); [vector directory number \(VDN\)](#).

**vector-controlled split**

A [hunt group](#) or an [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\) split](#) that is administered with the [vector](#) field enabled. The only way to gain access to a vector-controlled split is to dial a [vector directory number \(VDN\)](#).

**vector directory number (VDN)**

An [extension](#) that provides access to the Vectoring feature on the [switch](#). Customers use the Vectoring feature to specify the treatment of incoming calls based on the dialed number. See also [vector](#); [vector-controlled split](#).

**very large scale integration (VLSI)**

A technique for using hundreds of thousands of transistors working together on the same integrated [circuit](#).

**virtual circuit (VC)**

A communications link for voice or data that appears to the user to be a dedicated point-to-point [circuit](#). VCs can be permanent, or set up on a per-use basis. See also [permanent virtual circuit \(PVC\)](#).

**virtual local area network (VLAN)**

A [network](#) on which the traffic can be segregated independent of physical [local area network \(LAN\)](#) connectivity. While VLAN computers are on different physical segments of a LAN, the computers work as if they were located on the same physical LAN. A VLAN is configured by software, instead of hardware. 802.1Q framing can support VLAN operation.

**virtual path identifier (VPI)**

An 8-bit field in the cell header that indicates the virtual path over which the cell is routed.

**virtual private network (VPN)**

A private data [network](#) that uses the public telecommunication infrastructure with a [tunneling protocol](#) and security procedures to maintain privacy. On a VPN, data is encrypted before the data is sent through the [public network](#). The data is then decrypted at the receiving end. An additional level of security encrypts not only the data, but also the originating network address and the receiving network address. VPN software is usually installed as part of a firewall server.

**virtual trunking**

See [circuit emulation service \(CES\)](#).

**VLAN**

See [virtual local area network \(VLAN\)](#).

**VLSI**

See [very large scale integration \(VLSI\)](#).

**VM**

voltmeter

**VNI**

virtual nodepoint identifier

**VOA**

[VDN](#) of origin announcement

**Voice over IP (VoIP)**

A set of facilities that use the [Internet Protocol \(IP\)](#) to manage the delivery of voice information. In general, VoIP means to send voice information in digital form in discrete [packets](#) instead of in the traditional [circuit-committed protocols](#) of the [public switched telephone network \(PSTN\)](#). Users of VoIP and Internet telephony avoid the tolls that are charged for ordinary telephone service.

**voice terminal**

A single-[line](#) telephone or a [multiappearance telephone](#). *See also* [analog telephone](#).

**VoIP**

*See* [Voice over IP \(VoIP\)](#).

**VoIP Monitoring Manager**

VoIP Monitoring Manager adds to the [Remote Monitoring \(RMON\)](#) and [Switched Monitoring \(SMON\)](#) capabilities for [Voice over IP \(VoIP\)](#) call level monitoring. VoIP Monitoring Manager can display both real-time data and historical data.

**VPI**

*See* [virtual path identifier \(VPI\)](#).

**VPN**

*See* [virtual private network \(VPN\)](#).

**W****WAN**

*See* [wide area network \(WAN\)](#).

**WAN spare processor (WSP)**

A redundancy configuration that provides service to elements in an Avaya [network](#) across an [Asynchronous Transfer Mode \(ATM\)](#) infrastructure. WSPs can be used in various places in a customer network to provide reliable service in cases where the ATM network fails.

**WATS**

*See* [Wide Area Telecommunications Service \(WATS\)](#).

**WBS**

*See* [DEFINITY Wireless Business System \(DWBS\)](#).

**WCC**

world-class core

**WCR**

world-class routing

**WCTD**

world-class tone detection

**WFB**

wireless fixed base

**wide area network (WAN)**

A computer [network](#) that spans a relatively large geographic area. A WAN usually consists of two or more [local area networks \(LANs\)](#). Computers that are connected to a WAN are often connected through [public networks](#), such as the telephone system. They can also be connected through leased [lines](#) or satellites.

**Wide Area Telecommunications Service (WATS)**

A discounted toll service that is provided by long distance telephone companies and local telephone companies in the US. With WATS, calls to certain areas are charged a flat rate that is based on expected usage.

**wideband**

A [circuit](#)-switched call at a [data rate](#) that is greater than 64 kilobits per second. A circuit-switched call on a single [T1](#) facility or a single [E1](#) facility with a [bandwidth](#) that is between 128 kilobits per second and 1536 kilobits per second (T1) or 1984 kilobits per second (E1) in multiples of 64 kilobits per second. [H0](#), [H11](#), [H12](#), and N x [digital signal-0 \(DS0\)](#) calls are wideband. *See also* [narrowband](#).

**wideband access endpoint**

Access endpoints that are extended with [wideband](#) switching. A wideband access endpoint consists of one or more contiguous [digital signal-0s \(DS0s\)](#) on a line-side [T1](#) facility or a line-side [E1](#) facility, and has an [extension](#). The Administered Connections feature provides call control for calls that originate from wideband access endpoints.

**wink-start tie trunk**

A [trunk](#) on which the system makes a connection with a distant switching system for an outgoing call, and then waits for a momentary signal or *wink* before sending the digits of the called number. Similarly, on an incoming call, the system sends the wink signal when the system is ready to receive digits. *See also* [immediate-start tie trunk](#).

**Wireless Business System (WBS)**

*See* [DEFINITY Wireless Business System \(DWBS\)](#).

**work mode**

One of four conditions in which an [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\) agent](#) can work. When an agent logs in, the agent enters [aux work mode](#). To become available to receive ACD calls, the agent enters [auto-in work mode](#) or [manual-in work mode](#). To do work that is associated with a completed ACD call, an agent enters [after-call work \(ACW\) mode](#).

**work state**

One of eight conditions that an [Automatic Call Distribution \(ACD\) agent](#) exhibits for each of the three different [splits](#) to which the agent can belong. Valid work states are Avail, Unstaffed, AUX-Work, ACW, ACD (answering an ACD call), ExtIn, ExtOut, and OtherSpl. The work state for an agent in a particular split can change for different reasons, such as when a call is answered or abandoned, or the agent changes work modes. The Avaya Basic Call Management System (BCMS) monitors work states, and uses this information to provide BCMS reports.

**write operation**

The process of putting information onto a storage medium such as a hard disk.

**WSA**

Waiting session accept

**WSP**

*See* [WAN spare processor \(WSP\)](#).

**WSS**

wireless subscriber system

**Z****ZCS**

zero code suppression

