

7. MMA Payload Format over AVBTP Protocol

7.1 Overview

AVBTP frames with a subtype value of MMA_SUBTYPE (see Table 5.1) contain the MMA Payload Format. MMA stands for the MIDI Manufacturers Association, which is the publisher and authoritative source of MIDI specifications (Musical Instrument Digital Interface) [R16]. The MMA publishes the “MMA Payload Format Specification for AVBTP” [R16] which defines the transport of MMA defined data over AVBTP.

7.2 AVBTP stream data frame format for MMA_SUBTYPE

This encapsulation uses a **cd** field of zero (0) and a **subtype** field of MMA_SUBTYPE. This encapsulation does not define subtype-specific control frames.

This encapsulation also uses the common header field **protocol_specific_packet_header**. For the MMA_SUBTYPE, the **protocol_specific_packet_header** common header field (16 bits) is called the **MMA_payload_format_version** field, and indicates the MMA Payload Format Version used by the **stream_data_payload** field. The external document “MMA Payload Format Specification for AVBTP” [R16] defines all valid values for the **MMA_payload_format_version** field, and provides a detailed specification for the format and usage of the **stream_data_payload** field corresponding to every valid value of **MMA_payload_format_version**.

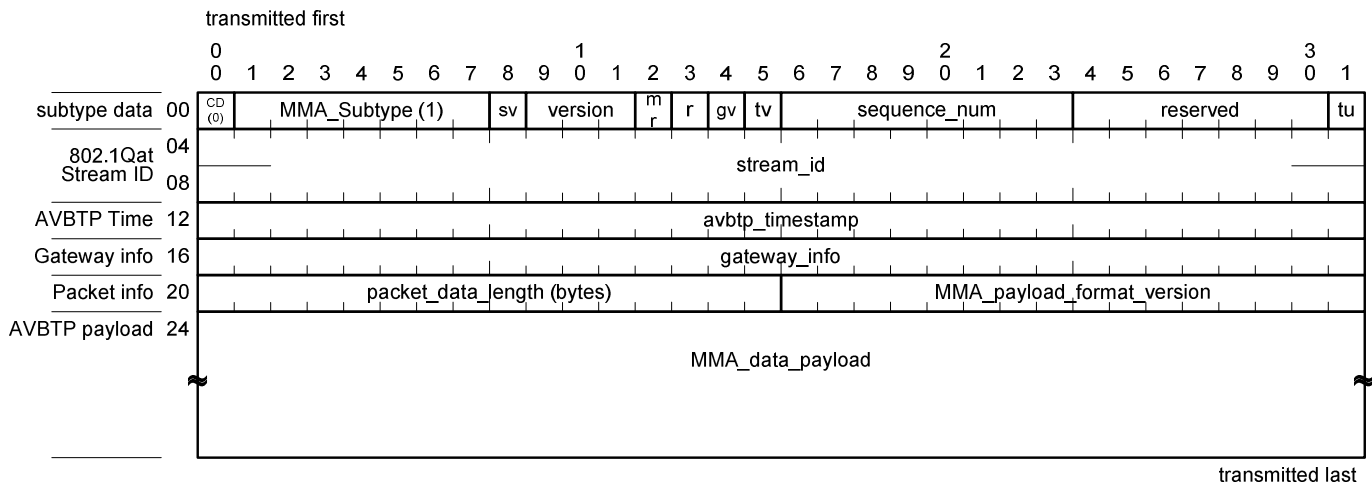


Figure 7.1 – AVBTP stream data frame format for MMA_SUBTYPE

Only the MMA may define values of **MMA_payload_format_version** and the corresponding payload format and usage for each such value. When the subtype common header field contains **MMA_SUBTYPE**, any other usage of the **protocol_specific_packet_header** field, or of the **stream_data_payload** field, is invalid.

The MMA may define any number of MMA Payload Format Versions in the future by revising the “MMA Payload Format Specification for AVBTP” [R16].