

VisualOn AMRWB Encoder Reference Manual

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1 Overview

The document details the Application Programming Interfaces (APIs) of Adaptive Multi-Rate Wideband (AMR-WB) encoder. It allows you to compress PCM data to standard AMR-WB compliant bit streams. The supported output formats are AMR-WB-ITU and AMR-WB RFC3267 with bit rates from 6.60 kbps to 23.85 kbps. The encoder is optimized for various ARM instruction sets, including v5, and v7 with NEON, instructions.

Figure 1 show a sample sequence of function execution flow in the AMR-WB audio encoder.

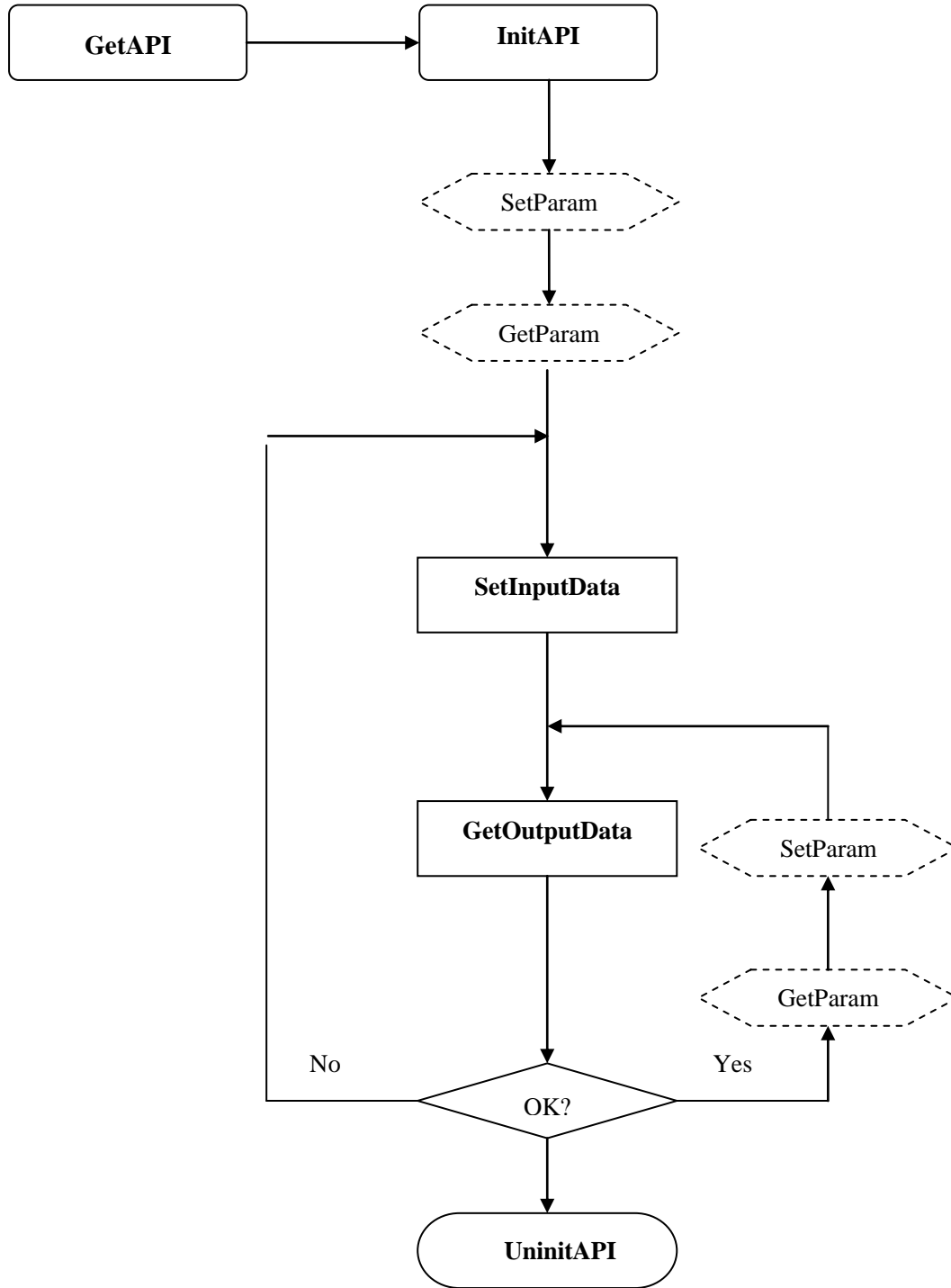


Figure 1. AMR-WB Audio Encoder Diagram.

2 Files in SDK

2.1 Header Files

- 1) Common header files also used by other VisualOn codecs: voIndex.h, voType.h, voAudio.h, voMem.h, cmnMemory.h
- 2) Special header file used by AMR-WB encoder: voAMRWB.h

2.2 Sample Code Files

Sample application: AMRWB_E_SAMPLE.c

Memory implementation sample code to enhance portability: cmnMemory.c

2.3 Encoder Library Files

Lib files for core encoder: voAMRWBEnc.*

It may include other files for debugging purpose.

3 Input & Output

3.1 Input

The encoder supports mono PCM input data with 16k sample rate and 16 bits per sample.

3.2 Output

3.2.1 Output Data

The output data include AMR-WB bit stream in the formats specified by ITU or RFC 3267, current encoded AMR-WB frame length, channel information, sample rate and the used data length in the current PCM buffer.

3.2.2 Return Code

All return codes are outlined below.

Table 4: Encoder Return Code

Return Code ID	Description
VO_ERR_NONE	Process data successful
VO_ERR_FAILED	Process data failed
VO_ERR_OUTOF_MEMORY	Out of memory
VO_ERR_NOT_IMPLEMENT	Features not implemented
VO_ERR_INVALID_ARG	Error in the input parameter
VO_ERR_INPUT_BUFFER_SMALL	Input buffer data is too small to encode a frame; please increase the input data size
VO_ERR_OUTPUT_BUFFER_SMALL	Output buffer size is too small; please realloc a bigger buffer
VO_ERR_WRONG_STATUS	Wrong encoder run-time status for the function call
VO_ERR_WRONG_PARAM_ID	Unsupported Parameter ID
VO_ERR_LICENSE_ERROR	License error; check with VisualOn for a new license
VO_ERR_AUDIO_UNCHANNEL	Unsupported number of channels
VO_ERR_AUDIO_UNSSAMPLERATE	Unsupported sample rate
VO_ERR_AUDIO_UNFEATURE	Unsupported feature

4 Encoder Data Definition

4.1 Common Audio Encoder Data Structure

4.1.1 STRUCTURE VO_CODECBUFFER

VO_CODECBUFFER is used for settings of input or output data buffer. It is defined as below.

```
typedef struct {
    VO_PBYTE Buffer;           /*!< Buffer pointer */
    VO_U32 Length;           /*!< Buffer size in byte */
    VO_S64 Time;             /*!< The time of the buffer */
} VO_CODECBUFFER;
```

4.1.2 STRUCTURE VO_AUDIO_OUTPUTINFO

VO_AUDIO_OUTPUTINFO is used for get audio information, including VO_AUDIO_FORMAT, bytes of data used in the input buffer, and a reserved value. It is defined as below.

```
typedef struct
{
    VO_AUDIO_FORMAT    Format;           /*!< Audio format information */
    VO_U32              InputUsed;      /*!< Bytes of data used in input buffer */
    VO_U32              Resever;       /*!< Resevered */
} VO_AUDIO_OUTPUTINFO;
```

VO_AUDIO_FORMAT, defined as below, specifies audio format information, including sample rate, number of channels and bits per sample.

```
typedef struct
{
    VO_S32 SampleRate; /*!< Sample rate */
    VO_S32 Channels;   /*!< Channel count */
    VO_S32 SampleBits; /*!< Bits per sample */
} VO_AUDIO_FORMAT;
```

4.1.3 STRUCTURE VO_CODEC_INIT_USERDATA

VO_CODEC_INIT_USERDATA allows users to defined standard C run-time library, such as memory operation functions, to increase the portability of the codec libraries. It is defined as below.

```
typedef struct{
    VO_INIT_MEM_FLAG    memflag;       /*!<memory flag */
    VO_PTR              memData;       /*!<a pointer to VO_MEM_OPERATOR
or a pre-allocated buffer */
    VO_U32              reserved1;     /*!<reserved */
    VO_U32              reserved2;     /*!<reserved */
} VO_CODEC_INIT_USERDATA;
```

VO_INIT_MEM_FLAG, defined as below, specifies two types of memory operation. Currently the audio encoder only supports VO_IMF_USERMEMOPERATOR type. For the definition of VO_MEM_OPERATOR, please refer to voMem.h header file in our SDK.

```
typedef enum{
```




```

VO_IMF_USERMEMOPERATOR    =0, /*!< memData is a
                               VO_MEM_OPERATOR pointer */
VO_IMF_PREALLOCATEDBUFFER =1, /*!< memData is a pre-allocated buffer*/
VO_IMF_MAX = VO_MAX_ENUM_VALUE
}VO_INIT_MEM_FLAG;

```

4.1.4 ENUM VO_AUDIO_CODINGTYPE

VO_AUDIO_CODINGTYPE is used to specify the audio coding type. All VisualOn supported audio types are listed in VO_AUDIO_CODINGTYPE as below.

```

typedef enum VO_AUDIO_CODINGTYPE {
    VO_AUDIO_CodingUnused = 0, /*!< Place holder value when coding is N/A */
    VO_AUDIO_CodingPCM,      /*!< Any variant of PCM coding */
    VO_AUDIO_CodingADPCM,    /*!< Any variant of ADPCM encoded data */
    VO_AUDIO_CodingAMRNB,    /*!< Any variant of AMR encoded data */
    VO_AUDIO_CodingAMRWB,    /*!< Any variant of AMR encoded data */
    VO_AUDIO_CodingAMRWBP,   /*!< Any variant of AMR encoded data */
    VO_AUDIO_CodingQCELP13,  /*!< Any variant of QCELP 13kbps encoded data */
    VO_AUDIO_CodingEVRC,     /*!< Any variant of EVRC encoded data */
    VO_AUDIO_CodingAAC,      /*!< Any variant of AAC encoded data, 0xA106 -
ISO/MPEG-4 AAC, 0xFF - AAC */
    VO_AUDIO_CodingAC3,      /*!< Any variant of AC3 encoded data */
    VO_AUDIO_CodingFLAC,     /*!< Any variant of FLAC encoded data */
    VO_AUDIO_CodingMP1,      /*!< Any variant of MP1 encoded data */
    VO_AUDIO_CodingMP3,      /*!< Any variant of MP3 encoded data */
    VO_AUDIO_CodingOGG,      /*!< Any variant of OGG encoded data */
    VO_AUDIO_CodingWMA,      /*!< Any variant of WMA encoded data */
    VO_AUDIO_CodingRA,       /*!< Any variant of Real Audio encoded data */
    VO_AUDIO_CodingMIDI,     /*!< Any variant of MIDI encoded data */
    VO_AUDIO_CodingDRA,      /*!< Any variant of DRA encoded data */
    VO_AUDIO_Coding_MAX     = VO_MAX_ENUM_VALUE
} VO_AUDIO_CODINGTYPE;

```

4.2 AMR-WB Encoder Data Enum

4.2.1 VOAMRWBMODE

VOAMRWBMODE lists the valid bit rates, from 6.60 kbps to 23.85 kbps, the encoder supports according to AMR-WB spec. The definition is outlined below.

```

typedef enum {
    VOAMRWB_MDNONE = -1, /*!< Invalid mode */

```



```

VOAMRWB_MD66      = 0, /*!< 6.60kbps */
VOAMRWB_MD885    = 1, /*!< 8.85kbps */
VOAMRWB_MD1265   = 2, /*!< 12.65kbps */
VOAMRWB_MD1425   = 3, /*!< 14.25kbps */
VOAMRWB_MD1585   = 4, /*!< 15.85bps */
VOAMRWB_MD1825   = 5, /*!< 18.25bps */
VOAMRWB_MD1985   = 6, /*!< 19.85kbps */
VOAMRWB_MD2305   = 7, /*!< 23.05kbps */
VOAMRWB_MD2385   = 8, /*!< 23.85kbps> */
VOAMRWB_N_MODES  = 9, /*!< Invalid mode */
VOAMRWB_MODE_MAX  = VO_MAX_ENUM_VALUE
} VOAMRWBMODE;

```

4.2.2 VOAMRWBFRAMETYPE

VOAMRWBFRAMETYPE list AMR-WB output format types, including formats specified by RFC 3267 and ITU. The definition is outlined below.

```

typedef enum {
    VOAMRWB_DEFAULT    = 0, /*!< the frame type is the head (defined in RFC3267) +
rawdata*/
    /*One word (2-byte) for sync word (0x6b21)*/
    /*One word (2-byte) for frame length N.*/
    /*N words (2-byte) containing N bits (bit 0 = 0x007f, bit 1 = 0x0081).*/
    VOAMRWB_ITU        = 1,
    /*One word (2-byte) for sync word(0x6b21).*/
    /*One word (2-byte) to indicate frame type.*/
    /*One word (2-byte) to indicate mode.*/
    /*N words (2-byte) containing N bits (bit 0 = 0xff81, bit 1 = 0x007f).*/
    VOAMRWB_RFC3267    = 2, /*see RFC 3267*/
    VOAMRWB_TMAX       = VO_MAX_ENUM_VALUE
} VOAMRWBFRAMETYPE;

```

4.3 Parameter IDs

The section lists the valid parameter IDs used in two API functions, SetParam and GetParam, defined later.

VO_PID_COMMON_HEADDATA

Set or get the header data of audio tracks. The parameter is in VO_CODECBUFFER structure.

VO_PID_COMMON_FLUSH

Reset encoder status when seeking or restart. The parameter is an interger. If nozero, reset it. Otherwise, do nothing.

VO_PID_AUDIO_FORMAT

Set or get the audio format. The parameter is in the struture of VO_AUDIO_FORMAT.

VO_PID_AUDIO_SAMPLERATE

Set or get the audio sample rate. The parameter is an interger indicating the sample rate.

VO_PID_AUDIO_CHANNELS

Set or get the number of audio channels. The parameter is an interger indicating the channel number.

VO_PID_AMRWB_FRAMETYPE

Set or get AMR-WB output format. The parameter is in VOAMRWBFRAMETYPE structure.

VO_PID_AMRWB_MODE

Set or get encoder output bit rate. The parameter is in VOAMRWBMODE structure.

VO_PID_AMRWB_FORMAT

Same as VO_PID_AUDIO_FORMAT.

VO_PID_AMRWB_CHANNELS

Same as VO_PID_AUDIO_CHANNELS.

VO_PID_AMRWB_SAMPLERATE

Same as VO_PID_AUDIO_SAMPLERATE.

VO_PID_AMRWB_DTX

Enable or disable Discountinuous Trasmission mode. If nonzero, enable it. Otherwise, disable it. When enabled, encoder will try to detect unvoiced frames to save output bit rate.

5 Supported OSs and CPUs

- 1) OS: Android, iPhone, Windows Mobile, Linux, RIM, Nucleus, Windows XP, ...
- 2) CPU: x86, ARMv4, ARMv5, ARMv6, ARMv7(NEON)

6 How to Use the API

6.1 Only One API

```
VO_S32 VO_API voGetAMRWBEncAPI (VO_AUDIO_CODECAPI *pEncHandle);
```

To simplify the interface, we only provide one API, `voGetAMRWBEncAPI`, for the SDK. `voGetAMRWBEncAPI` is to get the API handle of the encoder. Please refer to `voAudio.h` header file in SDK for the definition of the API handle, `VO_AUDIO_CODECAPI *pEncHandle`. Currently there are six available functions in `pEncHandle` as described below. Additional required or customized functions can be easily extended using `SetParam` function with different Parameter IDs.

6.2 Six Functions in VO_AUDIO_CODECAPI

- 1) `VO_U32 Init (VO_HANDLE * phDec,`
 `VO_AUDIO_CODINGTYPE vType,`
 `VO_CODEC_INIT_USERDATA * pUserData);`

Initialize the audio encoder and return a encoder handle.

`phCodec [OUT]`: Audio encoder handle.

`vType[IN]`: The codec type if the SDK support multiple codecs.

`pUserData[IN]`: The initialized parameter, including memory operator or allocated memory.

Return `VO_ERR_NONE` if succeeded. Otherwise, return an error code.

Note:

- a) This is the first call for every encoder instance.
- b) By configuring `VO_CODEC_INIT_USERDATA`, input memory used by the encoder can be allocated by users to optimize the performance.

- 2) `VO_U32 SetInputData (VO_HANDLE hDec,`
 `VO_CODECBUFFER * pInput);`

Input PCM data.

`hCodec [IN]` The audio encoder handle created in `Init` function.

`pInput [IN]` The input buffer param.

Return VO_ERR_NONE if succeeded. Otherwise, return an error code.

Note:

Encoder supports input data in one frame or any length of PCM data at each call. For the best performance, users should input one frame at a call.

- 3) VO_U32 GetOutputData (VO_HANDLE hDec,
VO_CODECBUFFER *pOutBuffer,
VO_AUDIO_OUTPUTINFO * pOutInfo);

Get the compressed audio data and output audio information. Please refer to voAudio.h header file in the SDK for the definition of VO_AUDIO_OUTPUTINFO.

hCodec [IN] The audio encoder handle created in Init function.

pOutBuffer [OUT] Output buffer with one compressed audio frame

pOutInfo [OUT] Audio output audio data information and input data length used.

Return VO_ERR_NONE if succeeded. Otherwise, return an error code, or return VO_ERR_INPUT_BUFFER_SMALL if input data are all finished, or the leftover of input data are not enough to encode one frame.

Note:

This function outputs one frame of compressed audio data at each call. Users can use a loop to call GetOutputData to encode all the frames of the input data in SetInputData until return VO_ERR_INPUT_BUFFER_SMALL if there are possibilities the input data are more than one PCM frame.

- 4) VO_U32 SetParam (VO_HANDLE hDec,
VO_S32 uParamID,
VO_PTR pData);

Set the data of the specified parameter ID.

hCodec [IN] The audio encoder handle created in Init function.

uParamID [IN] A parameter ID.

pData [IN] The value of the parameter for the ID. It can be a pointer or a value.

Return VO_ERR_NONE if succeeded. Otherwise, return an error code.

Note:

There are pre-defined parameter IDs as described in “Parameter IDs” section.

Additionally, the function provides the flexibility to easily add customized functions for special customer requirements by adding new parameter IDs.

- 5) VO_U32 GetParam (VO_HANDLE hDec,
 VO_S32 uParamID,
 VO_PTR pData);

Get the data of the specified parameter ID.

hCodec [IN] The audio encoder handle created in Init function.

uParamID [IN] The param ID.

pData [OUT] The value of the parameter for the ID. It can be a pointer or a value.

Return VO_ERR_NONE if succeeded. Otherwise, return an error code.

Note:

GetParam function is the counterpart of SetParam function. They share the same definition of parameter ID.

- 6) VO_U32 Uninit (VO_HANDLE hDec);

Un-initialize the encoder after all encoder operations are done. It will free up all internal memory used inside encoder.

hCodec [IN] The audio encoder handle created in Init function.

Return VO_ERR_NONE if succeeded. Otherwise, return an error code.

7 Sample Code Details

7.1 Memory

- 1) Input memory:

Memory used by PCM audio data is allocated by application. It gives users the flexibility to share memory with other module without unnecessary memory copying.

- 2) Encoder Internal memory:

There are two methods to provide the internal memory used by the encoder.

- a) Default method.

Encoder call standard C run-time function malloc to allocate memory.

- b) Users provide memory operation functions

Users can set VO_MEM_OPERATOR, as defined in voMEM.h, to the encoder during initialization.

7.2 Input Mode

We support two input modes, Frame and Stream. The default is Frame mode.

- a) Frame mode

When calling SetInputData, the input data length shall be equal to or more than one complete frame.

- b) Stream mode

When calling SetInputData, the input data length can be less than one complete frame.

7.3 Encoding Process

Please refer to the comments in the sample code.

8 Support

If you have any problems or questions about this SDK, please feel free to contact info@visualon.com.