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(57) Abstract: A method for signaling and negotiation between a resource-limited client and a server in a multimedia streaming service regarding packet data delivery. In order to avoid dropping packets at the client side due to its maximum packet rate capability, the client signals to the server declaring the maximum packet rate capability. This capability can be signaled to the client via a capability exchange mechanism or using a multimedia streaming protocol. The client inserts a parameter indicative of the maximum packet data rate capability in a request sent to server. It is up to the server to take the necessary action and make the packet delivery rate adjustment.

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