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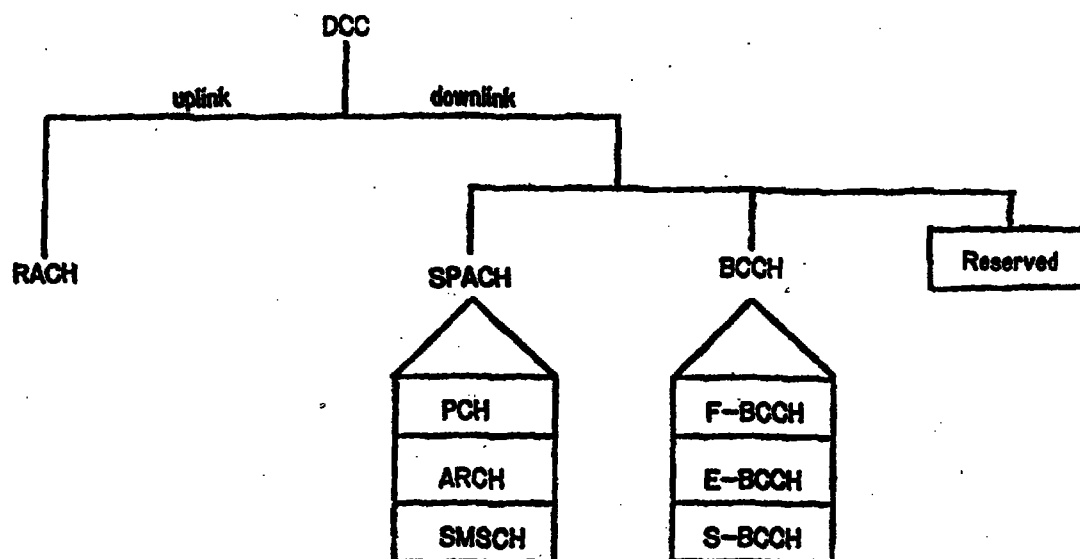
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(54) Title: LAYER 2 PROTOCOL IN A CELLULAR COMMUNICATION SYSTEM



(57) Abstract

A method for transmitting messages using an efficient communications link protocol over an air interface of a cellular communications system (Fig. 7) is disclosed. A frame in the protocol is divided into a plurality of sections including a header section (BU) and data section (DATA). The header section contains a field which indicates what type of information is contained in the frame.