Uni MRCP

AWS Transcribe Plugin

Usage Guide

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1 Overview

This guide describes how to configure and use the Amazon Web Services (AWS) Transcribe plugin to the UniMRCP server. The document is intended for users having a certain knowledge of AWS Transcribe and UniMRCP.

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1.1 Installation

For installation instructions, use one of the guides below.

- RPM Package Installation (Red Hat / Cent OS)
- Deb Package Installation (Debian / Ubuntu)

1.2 Applicable Versions

Instructions provided in this guide are applicable to the following versions.

> UniMRCP 1.7.0 and above
>
> UniMRCP Transcribe Plugin 1.0.0 and above

2 Supported Features

This is a brief check list of the features currently supported by the UniMRCP server running with the Transcribe plugin.

2.1 MRCP Methods

- ✓ DEFINE-GRAMMAR
- ✓ RECOGNIZE
- ✓ START-INPUT-TIMERS
- ✓ STOP
- ✓ SET-PARAMS
- ✓ GET-PARAMS

2.2 MRCP Events

- ✓ RECOGNITION-COMPLETE
- ✓ START-OF-INPUT

2.3 MRCP Header Fields

- ✓ Input-Type
- ✓ No-Input-Timeout
- ✓ Recognition-Timeout
- ✓ Speech-Complete-Timeout
- ✓ Waveform-URI
- ✓ Media-Type
- ✓ Completion-Cause
- ✓ Confidence-Threshold
- ✓ Start-Input-Timers
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- ✓ DTMF-Term-Timeout
- ✓ DTMF-Term-Char
- ✓ Save-Waveform
- ✓ Speech-Language
- ✓ Cancel-If-Queue
- ✓ Sensitivity-Level

2.4 Grammars

- ✓ Built-in speech, event and DTMF grammars
- ✓ SRGS XML (limited support)

2.5 Results

- ✓ NLSML
- ✓ JSON

3 Configuration Format

The configuration file of the Transcribe plugin is located in */opt/unimrcp/conf/umstranscribe.xml*. The configuration file is written in XML.

3.1 Document

The root element of the XML document must be *<umstranscribe>*.

Attributes

Name	Unit	Description
license-file	File path	Specifies the license file. File name may include patterns containing '*' sign. If multiple files match the pattern, the most recent one gets used.
credentials-file	File path	Specifies the AWS credentials file to use. File name may include patterns containing '*' sign. If multiple files match the pattern, the most recent one gets used.
credentials-provider	String	Specifies a credentials provider. If not initialized or set to *custom*, the custom credentials provider is used to read credentials from *credentials-file*. Otherwise, if set to *default*, the AWS default credentials provider chain is used, and *credentials-file* is not observer. Otherwise, if set to *sts*, the AWS STS profile credentials provider is used, and *credentials-file* is not observer.
init-sdk	Boolean	Specifies whether to initialize AWS SDK upon loading of the plugin. Must be set to true by default. Set it to false, if another plugin using the same AWS SDK is loaded prior to this plugin.
shutdown-sdk	Boolean	Specifies whether to shut down AWS SDK upon unloading of the plugin. Must be set to true by default. Set it to false, if another plugin using the same AWS SDK is unloaded next to this plugin.
sdk-log-level	Integer	Specifies a log level of AWS SDK. If not initialized or set to 0, the SDK logs are disabled. Acceptable values are from 0 (OFF) to 6

		(TRACE).

Parent

   None.

Children

Name	Unit	Description
<streaming-recognition>	String	Specifies recognition parameters of streaming recognition.
<results>	String	Specifies parameters of recognition results set in RECOGNITION-COMPLETE events.
<speech-contexts>	String	Contains a list of speech contexts.
<speech-dtmf-input-detector>	String	Specifies parameters of the speech and DTMF input detector.
<utterance-manager>	String	Specifies parameters of the utterance manager.
<rdr-manager>	String	Specifies parameters of the Recognition Details Record (RDR) manager.
<monitoring-agent>	String	Specifies parameters of the monitoring manager.
<license-server>	String	Specifies parameters used to connect to the license server. The use of the license server is optional.

Example

This is an example of a bare document.

```
<umstranscribe license-file="umstranscribe_*.lic" credentials-file="*.json" credentials-
provider="custom" init-sdk="true" shutdown-sdk="true">
</umstranscribe >
```

3.2 Streaming Recognition

This element specifies parameters of streaming recognition.

Attributes

Name	Unit	Description
language	String	Specifies the default language to use, if not set by the client. For a list of supported languages, visit https://docs.aws.amazon.com/transcribe/latest/dg/websocket.html
single-utterance	Boolean	Specifies whether to detect a single spoken utterance or perform continuous recognition.
interim-results	Boolean	Specifies whether to request interim results or not.
start-of-input	String	Specifies the source of start of input event sent to the client (use "service-originated" for an event originated based on a first-received interim result and "internal" for an event determined by plugin).
max-alternatives	Integer	Specifies the maximum number of speech recognition result alternatives to be returned. Can be overridden by client by means of the header field *N-Best-List-Length*.
alternatives-below-threshold	Boolean	Specifies whether to return speech recognition result alternatives with the confidence score below the confidence threshold.
skip-unsupported-grammars	Boolean	Specifies whether to skip or raise an error while referencing a malformed or not supported grammar.
transcription-grammar	String	Specifies the name of the built-in speech transcription grammar. The grammar can be referenced as *builtin:speech/transcribe* or *builtin:grammar/transcribe*, where *transcribe* is the default value of this parameter.
inter-result-timeout	Time interval [msec]	Specifies a timeout between interim results containing transcribed speech. If the timeout is elapsed, input is considered complete. The timeout defaults to 0 (disabled).
region	String	Specifies the AWS region.
vocabulary-name	String	Specifies an optional custom vocabulary. https://docs.aws.amazon.com/transcribe/latest/dg/how-vocabulary.html

Parent

<umstranscribe>

Children

    None.

Example

This is an example of streaming recognition element.

```
<streaming-recognition
   language="en-US"
   single-utterance="true"
   interim-results="true"
   skip-unsupported-grammars="true"
   transcription-grammar="transcribe"
   region=""
   vocabulary-name=""
/>
```

3.3 Results

This element specifies parameters of recognition results set in RECOGNITION-COMPLETE events.

Attributes

Name	Unit	Description
format	String	Specifies the format of results to be returned to the client (use "standard" for NLSML and "json" for JSON).
indent	Integer	Specifies the indent to use while composing the results.
confidence-format	String	Specifies the format of the confidence score to be returned (use "auto" for a format based on protocol version, "mrcpv2" for a float value in the range of 0..1, "mrcpv1" for an integer value in the range of 0..100)

Parent

    <umstranscribe>

Children

    None.

Example

This is an example of results element.

```
    <results
      format="standard"
      indent="0"
      confidence-format="auto"
    />
```

3.4 Speech Contexts

This element specifies a list of speech contexts.

Attributes

      None.

Parent

      <umstranscribe>

Children

      <speech-context>

Example

The example below defines two speech contexts *booking* and *directory*.

```
    <speech-contexts>
      <speech-context id="booking" enable="true">
        <phrase>I would like to book a flight from New York to Rome with a ticket eligible for
free cancellation</phrase>
        <phrase>I would like to book a one-way flight from New York to Rome</phrase>
      </speech-context>

      <speech-context id="directory" enable="true">
        <phrase>call Steve</phrase>
        <phrase>call John</phrase>
        <phrase>dial 5</phrase>
        <phrase>dial 6</phrase>
      </speech-context>
    </speech-contexts>
```

3.5 Speech Context

This element specifies a speech context.

Attributes

Name	Unit	Description
id	String	Specifies a unique string identifier of the speech context to be referenced by the MRCP client.
enable	Boolean	Specifies whether the speech context is enabled or disabled.
speech-complete	Boolean	Specifies whether to complete input as soon as an interim result matches one of the specified phrases.
language	String	The language the phrases are defined for.
scope	String	Specifies a scope of the speech context, which can be set to either *hint* or *strict*.

Parent

> <speech-contexts>

Children

> <phrase>

Example

This is an example of speech context element.

```
<speech-context id="directory" enable="true">
  <phrase>call Steve</phrase>
  <phrase>call John</phrase>
  <phrase>dial 5</phrase>
  <phrase>dial 6</phrase>
</speech-context>
```

3.6 Phrase

This element specifies a phrase in the speech context.

Attributes

Name	Unit	Description
tag	String	Specifies an optional arbitrary string identifier to be returned as an instance in the NLSML result, if the transcription result matches the phrase.

Parent

      <speech-context>

Children

      None.

This is an example of a speech context with phrases having tags specified.

```
<speech-context id="boolean" speech-complete="true" scope="strict" enable="true">
  <phrase tag="true">yes</phrase>
  <phrase tag="true">sure</phrase>
  <phrase tag="true">correct</phrase>
  <phrase tag="false">no</phrase>
  <phrase tag="false">not sure</phrase>
  <phrase tag="false">incorrect </phrase>
</speech-context>
```

3.7 Utterance Manager

This element specifies parameters of the utterance manager.

Attributes

Name	Unit	Description
save-waveforms	Boolean	Specifies whether to save waveforms or not.
purge-existing	Boolean	Specifies whether to delete existing records on start-up.
max-file-age	Time interval [min]	Specifies a time interval in minutes after expiration of which a waveform is deleted. Set 0 for infinite.
max-file-count	Integer	Specifies the max number of waveforms to store. If reached, the oldest waveform is deleted. Set 0 for infinite.
waveform-base-uri	String	Specifies the base URI used to compose an absolute waveform URI.
waveform-folder	Dir path	Specifies a folder the waveforms should be stored in.

file-prefix	String	Specifies a prefix used to compose the name of the file to be stored. Defaults to 'umstranscribe-', if not specified.
use-logging-tag	Boolean	Specifies whether to use the MRCP header field Logging-Tag, if present, to compose the name of the file to be stored.

Parent

        <umstranscribe>

Children

        None.

Example

The example below defines a typical utterance manager having the default parameters set.

```
<utterance-manager
  save-waveforms="false"
  purge-existing="false"
  max-file-age="60"
  max-file-count="100"
  waveform-base-uri="http://localhost/utterances/"
  waveform-folder=""
/>
```

3.8 RDR Manager

This element specifies parameters of the Recognition Details Record (RDR) manager.

Attributes

Name	Unit	Description
save-records	Boolean	Specifies whether to save recognition details records or not.
purge-existing	Boolean	Specifies whether to delete existing records on start-up.
max-file-age	Time interval [min]	Specifies a time interval in minutes after expiration of which a record is deleted. Set 0 for infinite.

max-file-count	Integer	Specifies the max number of records to store. If reached, the oldest record is deleted. Set 0 for infinite.
record-folder	Dir path	Specifies a folder to store recognition details records in. Defaults to ${UniMRCPInstallDir}/var.
file-prefix	String	Specifies a prefix used to compose the name of the file to be stored. Defaults to 'umstranscribe-', if not specified.
use-logging-tag	Boolean	Specifies whether to use the MRCP header field Logging-Tag, if present, to compose the name of the file to be stored.

Parent

        <umstranscribe>

Children

        None.

Example

The example below defines a typical utterance manager having the default parameters set.

```
<rdr-manager
  save-records="false"
  purge-existing="false"
  max-file-age="60"
  max-file-count="100"
  waveform-folder=""
/>
```

3.9 Monitoring Agent

This element specifies parameters of the monitoring agent.

Attributes

Name	Unit	Description
refresh-period	Time interval [sec]	Specifies a time interval in seconds used to periodically refresh usage details. See <usage-refresh-handler>.

Parent

        <umstranscribe>

Children

        <usage-change-handler>
        <usage-refresh-handler>

Example

The example below defines a monitoring agent with usage change and refresh handlers.

```
<monitoring-agent refresh-period="60">

  <usage-change-handler>
    <log-usage enable="true" priority="NOTICE"/>
  </usage-change-handler>

  <usage-refresh-handler>
    <dump-channels enable="true" status-file="umstranscribe-channels.status"/>
  </usage-refresh-handler >

</monitoring-agent>
```

3.10 Usage Change Handler

This element specifies an event handler called on every usage change.

Attributes

        None.

Parent

        <monitoring-agent>

Children

        <log-usage>
        <update-usage>
        <dump-channels>

Example

This is an example of the usage change event handler.

```
<usage-change-handler>
```

```
        <log-usage enable="true" priority="NOTICE"/>
        <update-usage enable="false" status-file="umstranscribe-usage.status"/>
        <dump-channels enable="false" status-file="umstranscribe-channels.status"/>
    </usage-change-handler>
```

3.11 Usage Refresh Handler

This element specifies an event handler called periodically to update usage details.

Attributes

    None.

Parent

    <monitoring-agent>

Children

    <log-usage>
    <update-usage>
    <dump-channels>

Example

This is an example of the usage change event handler.

```
    <usage-refresh-handler>
      <log-usage enable="true" priority="NOTICE"/>
      <update-usage enable="false" status-file="umstranscribe-usage.status"/>
      <dump-channels enable="false" status-file="umstranscribe-channels.status"/>
    </usage-refresh-handler>
```

3.12 License Server

This element specifies parameters used to connect to the license server.

Attributes

Name	Unit	Description
enable	Boolean	Specifies whether the use of license server is enabled or not. If enabled, the license-file attribute is not honored.
server-address	String	Specifies the IP address or host name of the

		license server.
certificate-file	File path	Specifies the client certificate used to connect to the license server. File name may include patterns containing a '*' sign. If multiple files match the pattern, the most recent one gets used.
ca-file	File path	Specifies the certificate authority used to validate the license server.
channel-count	Integer	Specifies the number of channels to check out from the license server. If not specified or set to 0, either all available channels or a pool of channels will be checked based on the configuration of the license server.
http-proxy-address	String	Specifies the IP address or host name of the HTTP proxy server, if used.
http-proxy-port	Integer	Specifies the port number of the HTTP proxy server, if used.

Parent

> <umstranscribe>

Children

> None.

Example

The example below defines a typical configuration which can be used to connect to a license server located, for example, at 10.0.0.1.

```
<license-server
  enable="true"
  server-address="10.0.0.1"
  certificate-file="unilic_client_*.crt"
  ca-file="unilic_ca.crt"
/>
```

For further reference to the license server, visit

> http://unimrcp.org/licserver

3.13 Credentials Profiles

This element specifies a set of credentials profiles.

Attributes

None.

Parent

<umstranscribe>

Children

<credential-profile>

Example

This is an example of credentials profiles.

```
<credentials-profiles>
  <credentials-profile name="default" duration="60" />
  <credentials-profile name="dev" duration="60" />
  <credentials-profile name="prod" duration="60" />
</credentials-profiles>
```

4 Configuration Steps

This section outlines common configuration steps.

4.1 Using Default Configuration

The default configuration should be sufficient for the general use.

4.2 Using with Polly

This section must be skipped if the Transcribe plugin is used without the Polly plugin. However, in case both Polly and Transcribe plugins are loaded into the same instance of UniMRCP server, then the plugins need to be configured in a certain way to ensure the AWS SDK is initialized and shutdown only once.

```
<umspolly license-file="umspolly_*.lic" credentials-file="aws.credentials" init-sdk="true"
shutdown-sdk="false">
<umstranscribe license-file="umstranscribe_*.lic" credentials-file="aws.credentials" init-
sdk="false" shutdown-sdk="true">
```

4.3 Specifying AWS Credentials

IAM User

By default, the plugin uses credentials of an IAM user to consume AWS services. The procedure how to set up the credentials is documented in the installation guide. No further action is required if the IAM user is supposed to be used.

Default Credentials Provider Chain

The plugin can be configured to use the AWS default credentials provider chain, which in turn allows to derive an IAM role set on an instance UniMRCP server is running on. The behavior is controlled by the configuration attribute *credentials-provider*, which is supposed to be set to *default* to use the default credentials provider chain.

```
<umstranscribe license-file="umstranscribe_*.lic" credentials-file="aws.credentials"
credentials-provider="default" sdk="true" shutdown-sdk="true">
```

Note, if the attribute *credentials-provider* is not set to *custom*, the attribute *credentials-file* is not observed.

STS Profile Credentials Provider

Since 1.4.0, the plugin can be configured to use the AWS STS profile credentials provider to assume a role. The behavior is controlled by the configuration attribute *credentials-provider*, which is supposed to be set to *sts* to use STSProfileCredentialsProvider.

```
<umstranscribe license-file="umstranscribe_*.lic" credentials-file="aws.credentials"
credentials-provider="sts" sdk="true" shutdown-sdk="true">
```

Since 1.1.0, different AWS credentials profiles can be configured per UniMRCP server profile. The profiles can also be created and referenced on-demand by the MRCP client via the header field Vendor-Specific-Parameters. The following parameters can be specified.

Name	Unit	Description
aws-credentials-file	File path	Specifies the AWS credentials file to use. File name may include patterns containing '*' sign. If multiple files match the pattern, the most recent one gets used. Available since 1.1.0.
aws-credentials-provider	String	Specifies a credentials provider. Use one of: • *custom* for credentials read from the specified file • *default* for the AWS default credentials provider chain • *sts* for the AWS STS profile credentials provider Available since 1.1.0.
aws-credentials-profile	String	Specifies a credentials profile to reference and/or create. Available since 1.1.0.
aws-credentials-duration	Integer	Specifies a lifetime of the credentials profile to create. Available since 1.1.0.
aws-arn-role	String	Specifies an ARN role. Available since 1.1.0.
aws-region	String	Specifies an AWS region. Available since 1.1.0.

4.4 Specifying Recognition Language

Recognition language can be specified by the client per MRCP session by means of the header field *Speech-Language* set in a *SET-PARAMS* or *RECOGNIZE* request. Otherwise, the parameter *language* set in the configuration file *umstranscribe.xml* is used. The parameter defaults to *en-US*.

4.5 Specifying Sampling Rate

Sampling rate is determined based on the SDP negotiation. Refer to the configuration guide of the UniMRCP server on how to specify supported encodings and sampling rates to be used in communication between the client and server.

The native sampling rate with the linear16 audio encoding is used to stream audio data to the service.

4.6 Specifying Speech Input Parameters

While the default parameters specified for the speech input detector are sufficient for the general use, various parameters can be adjusted to better suit a particular requirement.

- speech-start-timeout

This parameter is used to trigger a start of speech input. The shorter is the timeout, the sooner a *START-OF-INPUT* event is delivered to the client. However, a short timeout may also lead to a false positive.

- speech-complete-timeout

This parameter is used to trigger an end of speech input. The shorter is the timeout, the shorter is the response time. However, a short timeout may also lead to a false positive.

- vad-mode

This parameter is used to specify an operating mode of the Voice Activity Detector (VAD) within an integer range of [0 … 3]. A higher mode is more aggressive and, as a result, is more restrictive in reporting speech. The parameter can be overridden per MRCP session by setting the header field *Sensitivity-Level* in a *SET-PARAMS* or *RECOGNIZE* request. The following table shows how the *Sensitivity-Level* is mapped to the *vad-mode*.

Sensitivity-Level	Vad-Mode
[0.00 … 0.25)	0
[0.25 … 0.50)	1
[0.50 … 0.75)	2
[0.75 … 1.00]	3

4.7 Specifying DTMF Input Parameters

While the default parameters specified for the DTMF input detector are sufficient for the general use, various parameters can be adjusted to better suit a particular requirement.

- dtmf-interdigit-timeout

This parameter is used to set an inter-digit timeout on DTMF input. The parameter can be overridden per MRCP session by setting the header field *DTMF-Interdigit-Timeout* in a *SET-PARAMS* or *RECOGNIZE* request.

- dtmf-term-timeout

This parameter is used to set a termination timeout on DTMF input and is in effect when dtmf-term-char is set and there is a match for an input grammar. The parameter can be overridden per MRCP session by setting the header field *DTMF-Term-Timeout* in a *SET-PARAMS* or *RECOGNIZE* request.

- dtmf-term-char

This parameter is used to set a character terminating DTMF input. The parameter can be overridden per MRCP session by setting the header field *DTMF-Term-Char* in a *SET-PARAMS* or *RECOGNIZE* request.

4.8 Specifying No-Input and Recognition Timeouts

- noinput-timeout

This parameter is used to trigger a no-input event. The parameter can be overridden per MRCP session by setting the header field *No-Input-Timeout* in a *SET-PARAMS* or *RECOGNIZE* request.

- input-timeout

This parameter is used to limit input (recognition) time. The parameter can be overridden per MRCP session by setting the header field *Recognition-Timeout* in a *SET-PARAMS* or *RECOGNIZE* request.

4.9 Specifying Vendor Specific Parameters

The following parameters can optionally be specified by the MRCP client in *SET-PARAMS, DEFINE-GRAMMAR* and *RECOGNIZE* requests via the MRCP header field *Vendor-Specific-Parameters*.

Name	Unit	Description
start-of-input	String	Specifies the source of start of input event sent to the client (use "service-originated" for an event originated based on a first-received interim result and "internal" for an event determined by plugin).
alternatives-below-threshold	Boolean	Specifies whether to return speech recognition result alternatives with the confidence score below the confidence threshold.
single-utterance	Boolean	Specifies whether to detect a single spoken utterance or perform continuous recognition.
speech-start-timeout	Time interval [msec]	Specifies how long to wait in transition mode before triggering a start of speech input event.
interim-result-timeout	Time interval [msec]	Specifies a timeout between interim results containing transcribed speech. If the timeout is elapsed, input is considered complete.

All the vendor-specific parameters can also be specified at the grammar-level via a built-in or SRGS XML grammar.

The following example demonstrates the use of a built-in grammar with the vendor-specific parameters *alternatives-below-threshold* and *speech-start-timeout* set to *true* and *100* correspondingly.

builtin:speech/transcribe?**alternatives-below-threshold**=true;**speech-start-timeout**=100

The following example demonstrates the use of an SRGS XML grammar with the vendor-specific parameters *alternatives-below-threshold* and *speech-start-timeout* set to *true* and *100* correspondingly.

```
<grammar mode="voice" root="transcribe" version="1.0" xml:lang="en-US"
xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2001/06/grammar">
    <meta name="scope" content="builtin"/>
    <meta name="alternatives-below-threshold" content="true"/>
    <meta name="speech-start-timeout" content="100"/>
    <rule id="transcribe">
        <one-of ><item>blank</item></one-of>
    </rule>
</grammar>
```

4.10 Maintaining Utterances

Saving of utterances is not required for regular operation and is disabled by default. However, enabling this functionality allows to save utterances sent to the service and later listen to them offline.

The relevant settings can be specified via the element *utterance-manager*.

- save-waveforms

Utterances can optionally be recorded and stored if the configuration parameter *save-waveforms* is set to true. The parameter can be overridden per MRCP session by setting the header field *Save-Waveforms* in a *SET-PARAMS* or *RECOGNIZE* request.

- purge-existing

This parameter specifies whether to delete existing waveforms on start-up.

- max-file-age

This parameter specifies a time interval in minutes after expiration of which a waveform is deleted. If set to 0, there is no expiration time specified.

- max-file-count

This parameter specifies the maximum number of waveforms to store. If the specified number is reached, the oldest waveform is deleted. If set to 0, there is no limit specified.

- waveform-base-uri

This parameter specifies the base URI used to compose an absolute waveform URI returned in the header field *Waveform-Uri* in response to a RECOGNIZE request.

- waveform-folder

This parameter specifies a path to the directory used to store waveforms in. The directory defaults to *${UniMRCPInstallDir}/var*.

4.11 Maintaining Recognition Details Records

Producing of recognition details records (RDR) is not required for regular operation and is disabled by default. However, enabling this functionality allows to store details of each recognition attempt in a separate file and analyze them later offline. The RDRs ate stored in the JSON format.

The relevant settings can be specified via the element *rdr-manager*.

- save-records

This parameter specifies whether to save recognition details records or not.

- purge-existing

This parameter specifies whether to delete existing records on start-up.

- max-file-age

This parameter specifies a time interval in minutes after expiration of which a record is deleted. If set to 0, there is no expiration time specified.

- max-file-count

This parameter specifies the maximum number of records to store. If the specified number is reached, the oldest record is deleted. If set to 0, there is no limit specified.

- record-folder

This parameter specifies a path to the directory used to store records in. The directory defaults to *${UniMRCPInstallDir}/var*.

5 Recognition Grammars and Results

5.1 Using Built-in Speech Grammar

A pre-set built-in speech grammar can be referenced by the MRCP client in a RECOGNIZE request as follows:

```
builtin:speech/transcribe
```

5.2 Using Built-in DTMF Grammars

Pre-set built-in DTMF grammars can be referenced by the MRCP client in a RECOGNIZE request as follows:

```
builtin:dtmf/$id
```

5.3 Retrieving Results

Results received from the service are transformed to a certain data structure and sent to the MRCP client in a *RECOGNITION-COMPLETE* event. The way results are composed can be adjusted via the *<results>* element in the configuration file *umstranscribe.xml*.

NLSML Format

If the *format* attribute is set to *standard*, which is the default setting, then the header filed *Content-Type* is set to *application/x-nlsml* and the body of a RECOGNITION-COMPLETE event is set to an NLSML representation of received results.

JSON Format

If the *format* attribute is set to *json*, then the header filed *Content-Type* is set to *application/json* and the body of a RECOGNITION-COMPLETE event is set to a JSON representation of received results.

6 Monitoring Usage Details

The number of in-use and total licensed channels can be monitored in several alternate ways. There is a set of actions which can take place on certain events. The behavior is configurable via the element *monitoring-agent*, which contains two event handlers: *usage-change-handler* and *usage-refresh-handler*.

While the *usage-change-handler* is invoked on every acquisition and release of a licensed channel, the *usage-refresh-handler* is invoked periodically on expiration of a timeout specified by the attribute *refresh-period*.

The following actions can be specified for either of the two handlers.

6.1 Log Usage

The action *log-usage* logs the following data in the order specified.

- The number of currently in-use channels.

- The maximum number of channels used concurrently.

- The total number of licensed channels.

The following is a sample log statement, indicating 0 in-use, 0 max-used and 2 total channels.

> [NOTICE] Transcribe Usage: 0/0/2

6.2 Update Usage

The action *update-usage* writes the following data to a status file *umstranscribe-usage.status*, located by default in the directory *${UniMRCPInstallDir}/var/status*.

- The number of currently in-use channels.

- The maximum number of channels used concurrently.

- The total number of licensed channels.

- The current status of the license permit.

- The license server alarm. Set to *on*, if the license server is not available for more than one hour; otherwise, set to *off*. This parameter is maintained only if the license server is used.

The following is a sample content of the status file.

> in-use channels: 0
> max used channels: 0

```
            total channels: 2
            license permit: true
            licserver alarm: off
```

6.3 Dump Channels

The action *dump-channels* writes the identifiers of in-use channels to a status file *umstranscribe-channels.status*, located by default in the directory *${UniMRCPInstallDir}/var/status*.

7 Usage Examples

7.1 Speech Recognition

This example demonstrates how to reference a built-in speech transcription grammar in a RECOGNIZE request.

C->S:

```
MRCP/2.0 336 RECOGNIZE 1
Channel-Identifier: 6e1a2e4e54ae11e7@speechrecog
Content-Id: request1@form-level
Content-Type: text/uri-list
Cancel-If-Queue: false
No-Input-Timeout: 5000
Recognition-Timeout: 10000
Start-Input-Timers: true
Confidence-Threshold: 0.87
Save-Waveform: true
Content-Length: 25

builtin:speech/transcribe
```

S->C:

```
MRCP/2.0 83 1 200 IN-PROGRESS
Channel-Identifier: 6e1a2e4e54ae11e7@speechrecog
```

S->C:

```
MRCP/2.0 115 START-OF-INPUT 1 IN-PROGRESS
Channel-Identifier: 6e1a2e4e54ae11e7@speechrecog
Input-Type: speech
```

S->C:

```
MRCP/2.0 498 RECOGNITION-COMPLETE 1 COMPLETE
Channel-Identifier: 6e1a2e4e54ae11e7@speechrecog
Completion-Cause: 000 success
Waveform-Uri: <http://localhost/utterances/utter-6e1a2e4e54ae11e7-
1.wav>;size=20480;duration=1280
```

```
Content-Type: application/x-nlsml
Content-Length: 214

<?xml version="1.0"?>
<result>
  <interpretation grammar="builtin:speech/transcribe" confidence="1.00">
    <instance>Book a room</instance>
    <input mode="speech">Book a room</input>
  </interpretation>
</result>
```

7.2 DTMF Recognition

This example demonstrates how to reference a built-in DTMF grammar in a RECOGNIZE request.

C->S:

```
MRCP/2.0 266 RECOGNIZE 1
Channel-Identifier: d26bef74091a174c@speechrecog
Content-Type: text/uri-list
Cancel-If-Queue: false
Start-Input-Timers: true
Confidence-Threshold: 0.7
Speech-Language: en-US
Dtmf-Term-Char: #
Content-Length: 19

builtin:dtmf/digits
```

S->C:

```
MRCP/2.0 83 1 200 IN-PROGRESS
Channel-Identifier: d26bef74091a174c@speechrecog
```

S->C:

```
MRCP/2.0 113 START-OF-INPUT 1 IN-PROGRESS
Channel-Identifier: d26bef74091a174c@speechrecog
Input-Type: dtmf
```

S->C:

```
MRCP/2.0 382 RECOGNITION-COMPLETE 1 COMPLETE
Channel-Identifier: d26bef74091a174c@speechrecog
Completion-Cause: 000 success
Content-Type: application/x-nlsml
Content-Length: 197

<?xml version="1.0"?>
<result>
  <interpretation grammar="builtin:dtmf/digits" confidence="1.00">
    <input mode="dtmf">1 2 3 4</input>
    <instance>1234</instance>
  </interpretation>
</result>
```

7.3 Speech and DTMF Recognition

This example demonstrates how to perform recognition by activating both speech and DTMF grammars. In this example, the user is expected to input a 4-digit pin.

C->S:

```
MRCP/2.0 275 RECOGNIZE 1
Channel-Identifier: 6ae0f23e1b1e3d42@speechrecog
Content-Type: text/uri-list
Cancel-If-Queue: false
Start-Input-Timers: true
Confidence-Threshold: 0.7
Speech-Language: en-US
Content-Length: 47

builtin:dtmf/digits?length=4
builtin:speech/transcribe
```

S->C:

```
MRCP/2.0 83 2 200 IN-PROGRESS
Channel-Identifier: 6ae0f23e1b1e3d42@speechrecog
```

S->C:

```
MRCP/2.0 115 START-OF-INPUT 2 IN-PROGRESS
Channel-Identifier: 6ae0f23e1b1e3d42@speechrecog
Input-Type: speech
```

S->C:

```
MRCP/2.0 399 RECOGNITION-COMPLETE 2 COMPLETE
Channel-Identifier: 6ae0f23e1b1e3d42@speechrecog
Completion-Cause: 000 success
Content-Type: application/x-nlsml
Content-Length: 214

<?xml version="1.0"?>
<result>
  <interpretation grammar=" builtin:speech/transcribe" confidence="1.00">
    <instance>one two three four</instance>
    <input mode="speech">one two three four</input>
  </interpretation>
</result>
```
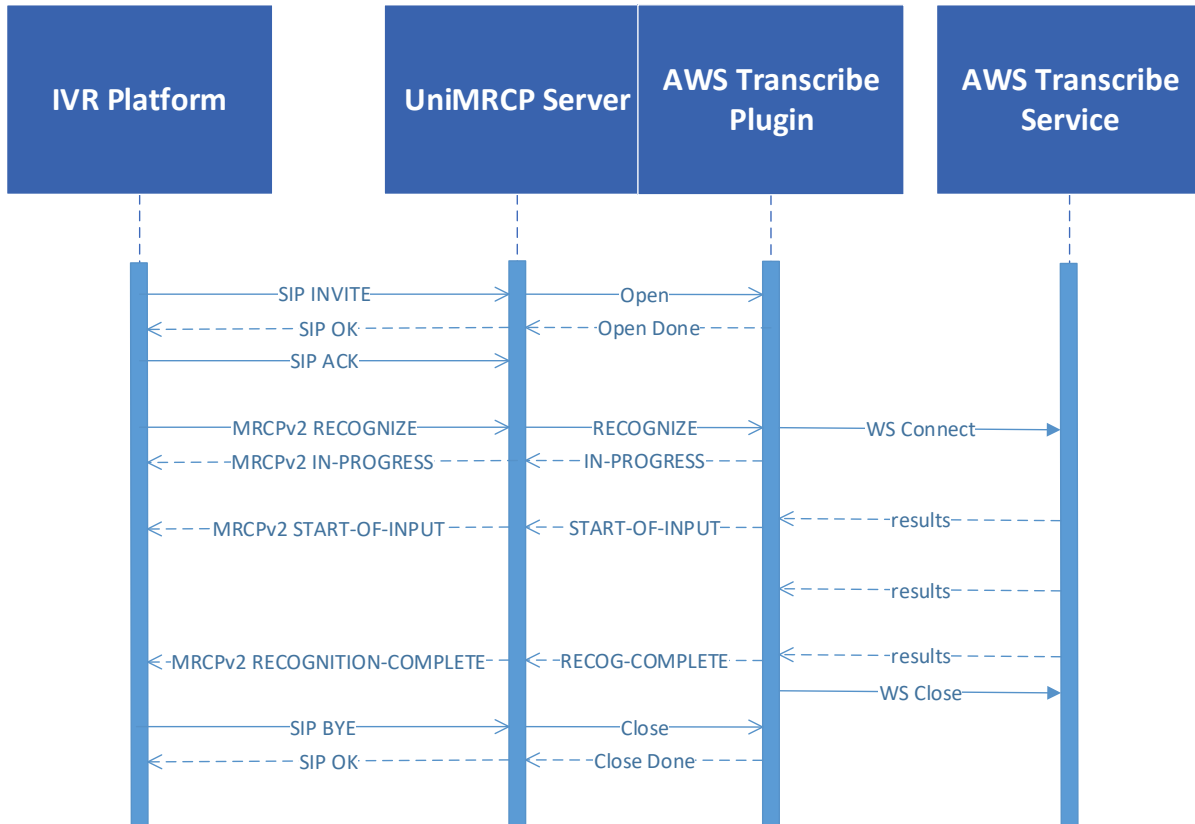
8 Sequence Diagram

The following sequence diagram outlines common interactions between all the main components involved in a typical recognition session performed over MRCPv2.

9 References

9.1 AWS Transcribe

- What is Amazon Transcribe
- Using Amazon Transcribe Streaming with WebSockets

9.2 Specifications

- Speech Recognizer Resource
- NLSML Results