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# Preface

This preface introduces the VPU Reference Software User's Guide and its reference documentation. It contains the following sections:

- [Section 1, “About this document”](#)
- [Section 2, “Further Reading”](#)

## 1. About this document

This document is the user's guide of VPU Reference Software also called sample\_v2.

### 1.1. Intended audience

This document has been written for application engineers who want to install the VPU reference software package, develop, and verify multimedia applications by using VPU reference software Components.

### 1.2. Document Scope

This document introduces the VPU reference software package provided by Chips&Media. It details key concepts of component-based architecture applied for the encode and decode sample and explains each of the sample components.

### 1.3. Typographical Conventions

The following typographical conventions are used in this document:

<b>bold</b>	Highlights signal names within text, and interface elements such as menu names. May also be used for emphasis in descriptive lists where appropriate.
<i>italic</i>	Highlights cross-references in blue, file names, and citations.
<code>typewriter</code>	Denotes example source codes and dumped character or text.

## 2. Further Reading

This section lists documents which are related to this product.

### 2.1. Other Documents

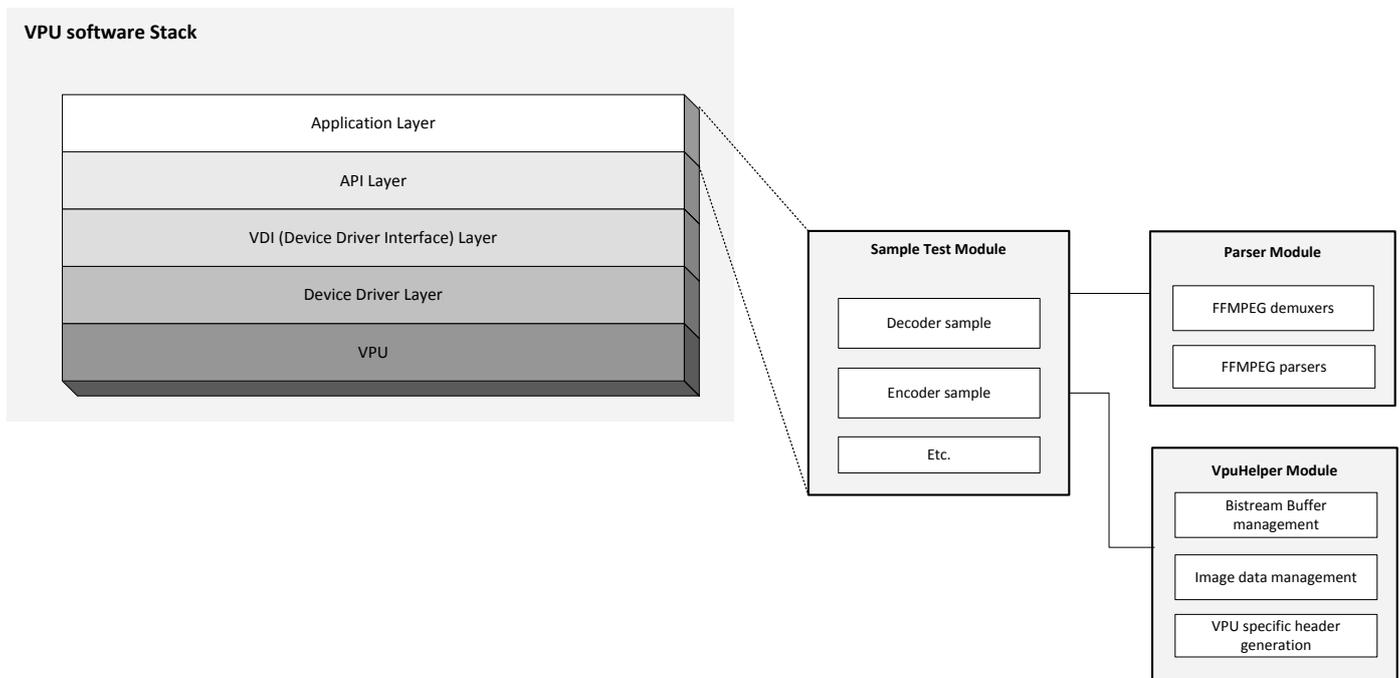
- *VPU API Reference Manual*

# Chapter 1

## Overview

We provide customer with reference software called `sample_v2`, which is an implementation of encode and decode software component running on VPU(Video Processing Unit). The VPU reference software realizes a relatively high level of abstraction by adopting some part of the OpenMAX component structure and abstracting major parts of the sample program. It separates the VPU control code from other test code, making it easier for users to understand what the VPU controls are.

Components support not only thread, but also the way that each component is executed in a round-robin fashion without threads. User can test the multi-instance functionality of the VPU in environments that do not support threads. Using the sample components, user can simply test the basic encode/decode operation of VPU, add new test codes, or implement video application program.



**Figure 1.1. Reference Software Structure**

The VPU reference software is placed in the `sample_v2` directory of the ReferenceSWpackage we provide. It includes component source and header files, encoder/decoder sample applications, and other stuff files.

```
./component
./component_decoder
./component_encoder
./helper
component_list_all.h
component_list_decoder.h
component_list_encoder.h
main_coda960_dec_test.c
main_coda960_enc_test.c
main_coda980_dec_test.c
main_coda980_enc_test.c
main_dec_test.c
main_enc_test.c
```

**component**

Component core source files

**component\_decoder**

Decoder components source files

**component\_encoder**

Encoder components source files

**helper**

A collection of functions needed to handle YUV and bitstream and to encode/decode

**component\_list\_all.h**

A group of structure variables for decoder and encoder components

**component\_list\_decoder.h**

A group of structure variables for decoder component

**component\_list\_encoder.h**

A group of structure variables for encoder component

**main\_coda960\_dec\_test.c**

Decoder sample program for CODA960 IP

**main\_coda960\_enc\_test.c**

Encoder sample program for CODA960 IP

**main\_coda980\_dec\_test.c**

Decoder sample program for CODA980 IP

**main\_coda\_980\_enc\_test.c**

Encoder sample program for CODA980 IP

**main\_dec\_test.c**

Decoder sample program for WAVE5 series IP

**main\_enc\_test.c**

Encoder sample program for WAVE5 series IP

# Chapter 2

## Reference Software Architecture

In this chapter, we describe key vocabulary used for the sample application such as CNMApp, CNMTask, and the important functions. It also introduces component structure, specific component variables and methods, and how to write and register a component.

### 2.1. CNMApp

CNMApp is an object that manages CNMTask instances.

#### 2.1.1. Important Functions

**void CNMAppInit(void)**

Initializes internal variables that manage CNMTask.

**void CNMAppAdd(CNMTask task)**

Registers CNMTask instance.

**void CNMAppRun(void)**

Runs the registered CNMTask instances. It is blocked until all the CNMTask instances are terminated.

**void CNMAppStop(void)**

Stops all running CNMTask instances and unblocks CNMAppRun(). If you need to terminate a CNMApp under certain conditions, you can call it.

#### 2.1.2. Example Code

The following example code demonstrates the basic usage of CNMApp functions.

```
int main(void)
{
    CNMTask decoder;
    CNMTask encoder;

    decoder = CNMTaskCreate();
    decoder->Add(Component_Create(...)); // Source component
    decoder->Add(Component_Create(...)); // Filter component
    decoder->Add(Component_Create(...)); // Sink component

    encoder = CNMTaskCreate();
    encoder->Add(Component_Create(...)); // Source component
    encoder->Add(Component_Create(...)); // Filter component
    encoder->Add(Component_Create(...)); // Sink component

    CNMAppInit();
    CNMAppAdd(decoder);
    CNMAppAdd(encoder);

    return CNMAppRun();
}
```

## 2.2. CNMTask

CNMTask stands for a work unit consisting of one or more components.

### 2.2.1. Important Functions

#### **CNMTask CNMTaskCreate(void)**

Creates a task instance.

#### **void CNMTaskAdd(CNMTask task, Component component)**

Registers the component instances in the CNMTask. Registered component instances are identified in the order of registration:

- source component
- filter component
- sink component
- isolated component

The registered components are connected to each other by task, and data are delivered from source component to sink component. This is called tunneling. More details on the Component are covered in the [Section 2.3, “Component”](#) chapter below.

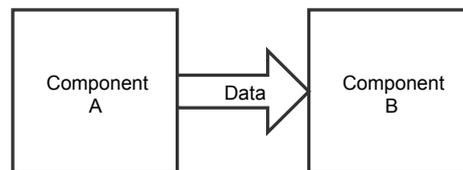
## 2.3. Component

A component is a functional component required to perform a specific task. A component is divided into four types according to the connection method with other components.

### 2.3.1. Component Type

#### 2.3.1.1. Source Component

A Source Component is a component that generates data by itself without any input from other components and provides data to the component connected to the output. In [Figure 2.1, "Source Component"](#), the Component A becomes the source component.



**Figure 2.1. Source Component**

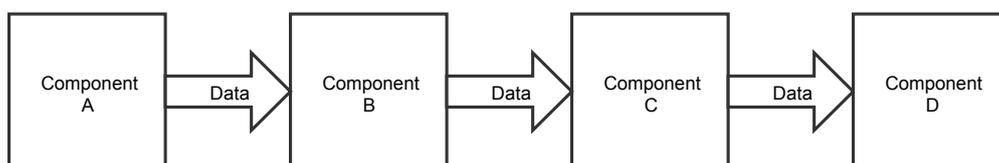
There is only one source component among the connected components.

#### 2.3.1.2. Sink Component

A Sink Component is responsible for receiving, processing, and destroying data from the component connected to the input. The Component B is a sink component in [Figure 2.1, "Source Component"](#).

#### 2.3.1.3. Filter Component

A Filter Component is a component that receives input data and provides data to the component connected to the output after processing. In [Figure 2.2, "Filter Component"](#), the Component B and Component C are filter components.



**Figure 2.2. Filter Component**

Among the many connected components, all are filter components except for the source component and sink component.

#### 2.3.1.4. Isolated Component

An Isolated Component refers to a component that is not connected to any other components.

## 2.3.2. Component Class

The Component structure is represented by borrowing a class from C++.

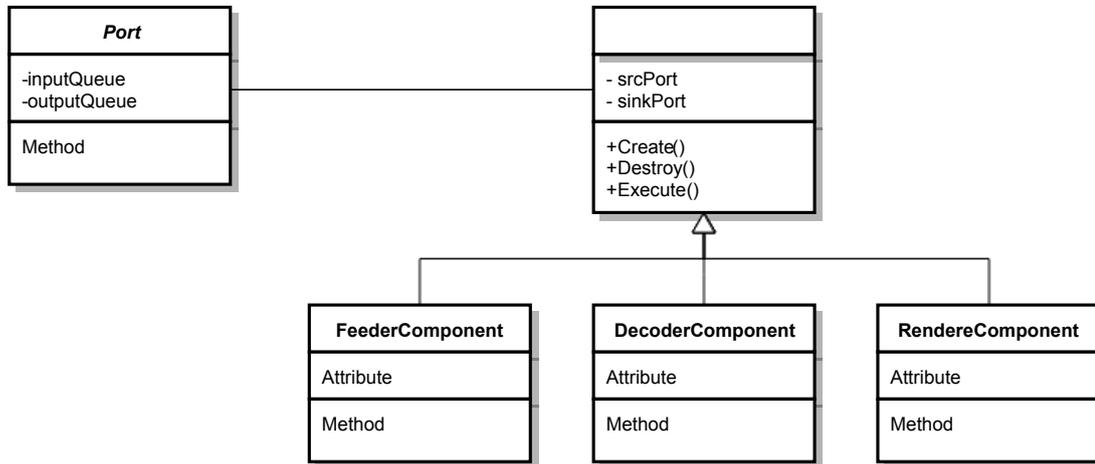


Figure 2.3. Component Class

## 2.3.3. Component Structure

The code below is a component structure. The function pointer acts as a member method of the class.

```
typedef void* Component;
typedef struct ComponentImpl {
    char* name;
    void* context;
    Port sinkPort;
    Port srcPort;
    Uint32 containerSize;
    Uint32 numSinkPortQueue;
    Component (*Create)(struct ComponentImpl*, CNMComponentConfig*);
    CNMComponentParamRet (*GetParameter)(struct ComponentImpl*, struct ComponentImpl*, GetParameterCMD, void*);
    CNMComponentParamRet (*SetParameter)(struct ComponentImpl*, struct ComponentImpl*, SetParameterCMD, void*);
    BOOL (*Prepare)(struct ComponentImpl*, BOOL*);
    BOOL (*Execute)(struct ComponentImpl*, PortContainer*, PortContainer*);
    void (*Release)(struct ComponentImpl*);
    BOOL (*Destroy)(struct ComponentImpl*);
    BOOL success;
    osal_thread_t thread;
    ComponentState state;
    BOOL terminate;
    ComponentListener listeners[MAX_NUM_LISTENERS];
    Uint32 numListeners;
    Queue* usingQ; /*<<! NOTE: DO NOT USE Enqueue() AND Dequeue() IN YOUR COMPONENT.
                    BUT, YOU CAN USE Peek() FUNCTION.
                    */
    CNMComponentType type;
    Uint32 updateTime;
    Uint32 Hz; /*Use clock signal ex) 30Hz, A component will receive 30 clock signals per second.*/
    void* internalData;
    BOOL pause;
    BOOL portFlush;
} ComponentImpl;
```

### 2.3.3.1. Member variables of Component

**Table 2.1. Member variables of Component**

Member variables	Description
char* name	The name of component It must be unique.
void* context	Pointer to the internal context variable which is created by ComponentImpl::Create()
Port sinkPort	The port used to output data. When a component is created, sinkPort is created together.
Port srcPort	The port pointing to the sink pointer of the source component when the components are tunneled together.
Uint32 containerSize	The size of container stored in the sink port
Uint32 numSinkPortQueue	The number of containers that can be stored in the sink port
BOOL success	TRUE - the component has finished successfully. FALSE - the component has failed.
osal_thread_t thread	Thread handle pointer obtained when each component is thread based running
ComponentState state	Information about the status of component It can have one of the followings: CNM_COMPONENT_STATE_CREATED CNM_COMPONENT_PREPARED CNM_COMPONENT_EXECUTED

Member variables	Description
	CNM_COMPONENT_TERMINATED
BOOL terminate	TRUE - The component to terminate has been indicated.
ComponentListener listeners[MAX_NUM_LISTENERS]	An array containing the listeners registered via ComponentRegisterListener()
Queue* usingQ	This is a temporary storage area for the PortContainer in the internal operation of component.
CNMComponentType type	Represents a component role among connected components. CNM_COMPONENT_TYPE_ISOLATION - plays a role that has not been connected with any other component. CNM_COMPONENT_TYPE_SOURCE - plays a source component role. CNM_COMPONENT_TYPE_FILTER - plays a filter component role. CNM_COMPONENT_TYPE_SINK - plays a sink component role.
Uint32 updateTime	Time information used inside the component
Uint32 Hz	Determines how many times per second time information will be given. If Hz is 1, PortContainerClock comes in every second in the second argument of Component::Execute().
void* internalData	Data used inside the component
BOOL pause	TRUE - indicates pause status. It is used for internal use.
BOOL portFlush	TRUE - flushes the source port. It is used for internal use.

### 2.3.3.2. Member methods of Component

Table 2.2. Member methods of Component

Member methods	Description
Component (*Create)(struct ComponentImpl*, CNMComponentConfig*)	The member method, which acts as a constructor, creates the resources needed for the component to work.
CNMComponentParamRet (*GetParameter)(struct ComponentImpl* from, struct ComponentImpl* to, GetParameterCMD cmd, void* val)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>from: indicates the component that calls GetParameter member method.</li> <li>to: indicates the component itself.</li> <li>cmd: indicates the GetParameter which is defined in GetParameterCMD of component.h.</li> <li>val: space to store appropriate data for the cmd</li> </ul>
CNMComponentParamRet (*SetParameter)(struct ComponentImpl* from, struct ComponentImpl* to, SetParameterCMD cmd, void*val)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>from: indicates the component that calls GetParameter member method.</li> <li>to: indicates the component itself.</li> <li>cmd: the passed command</li> <li>val: the argument of the passed command</li> </ul>
BOOL (*Prepare)(struct ComponentImpl*, BOOL*)	<p>Defines the necessary operations before the Excute () method is executed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ComponentImpl*: points to the component itself.</li> <li>BOOL*: a pointer to the end of the operation. At the end of the operation, assign TRUE to the value of the pointer, otherwise FALSE.</li> </ul> <p>The caller who called the Prepare () method should call it repeatedly until the value of the second argument is TRUE. If an error occurs during the Prepare () process, you should return FALSE.</p>
BOOL (*Execute)(struct ComponentImpl*, PortContainer*, PortContainer*)	Indicates a function that defines what the Component should do.

Member methods	Description
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <code>ComponentImpl*</code>: points to the component itself.</li> <li>• <code>PortContainer*</code>: a pointer to a <code>PortContainer</code> structure with input data. When extracting data from this pointer structure, you must change the <code>reuse</code> member variable to <code>FALSE</code>. Otherwise, the same data will continue to be used when the next <code>Execute()</code> is called.</li> <li>• <code>PortContainer*</code>: a pointer to a <code>PortContainer</code> that will be passed to the sink component after processing the input data and saving them. Likewise, if you store and pass data to this structure, you must change the <code>reuse</code> variable to <code>FALSE</code>. Otherwise, it is not delivered to the sink component.</li> </ul>
<code>void (*Release)(struct ComponentImpl*)</code>	Indicates a function that defines the task of releasing allocated resources.
<code>BOOL (*Destroy)(struct ComponentImpl*)</code>	Indicates the function that defines the task of releasing the internal context information.  Do not free the memory of the first argument.

### 2.3.3.3. Important Functions(Abstract layer functions)

#### 2.3.3.3.1. ComponentCreate()

This function creates an instance of the component registered with the first argument `componentName`. The second argument is passed when the instance is created.

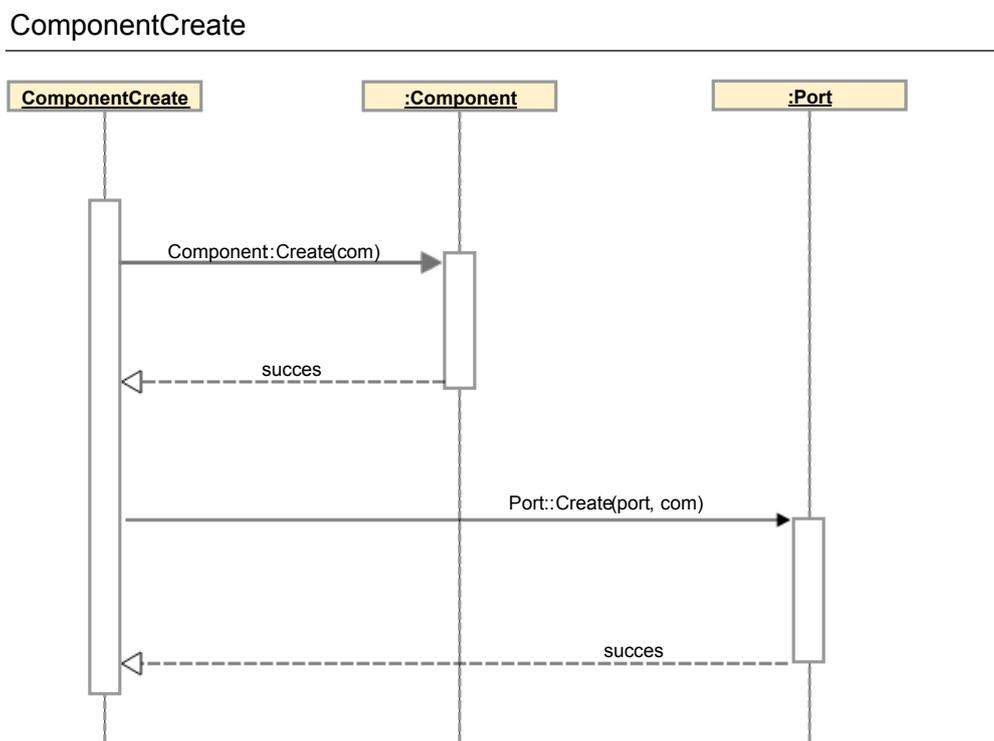


Figure 2.4. ComponentCreate

### 2.3.3.3.2. ComponentExecute()

This function is responsible for running component::Execute().

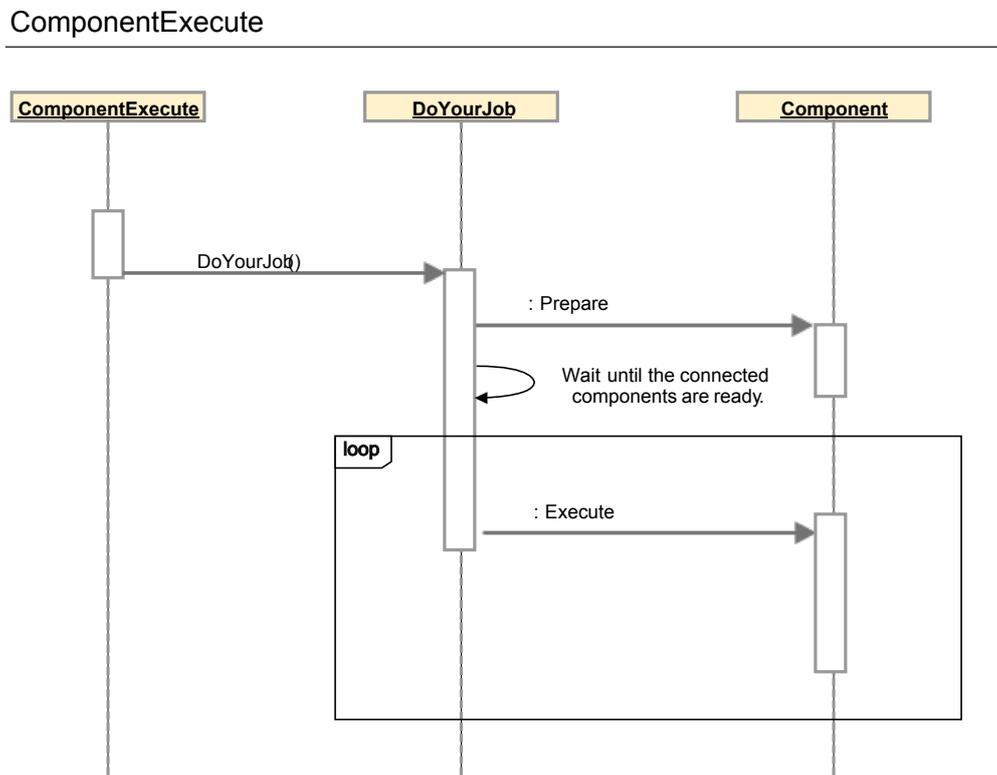


Figure 2.5. ComponentExecute

### 2.3.3.3.3. ComponentStop()

This function changes the component to the exit state and ends it.

### 2.3.3.3.4. ComponentRelease()

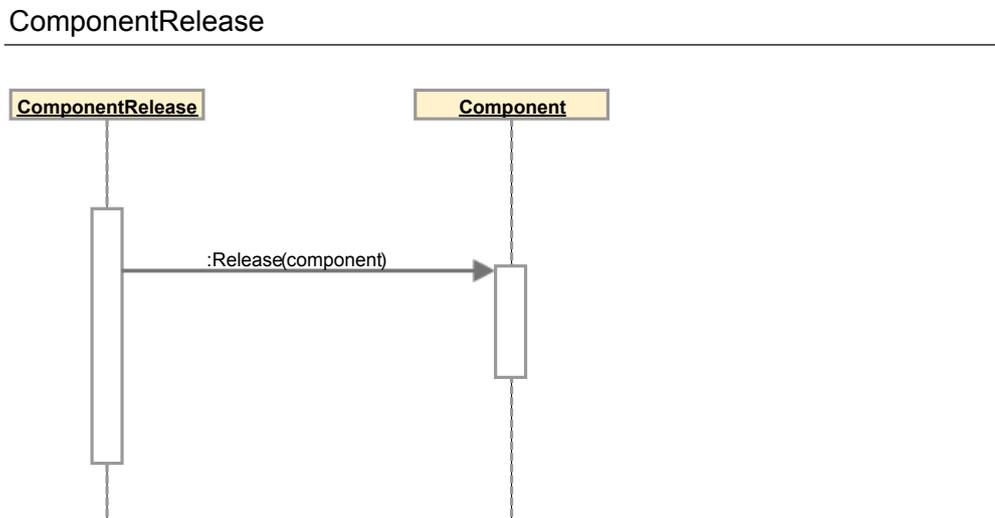


Figure 2.6. ComponentRelease

### 2.3.3.3.5. ComponentDestroy()

This function destroys the component instance.

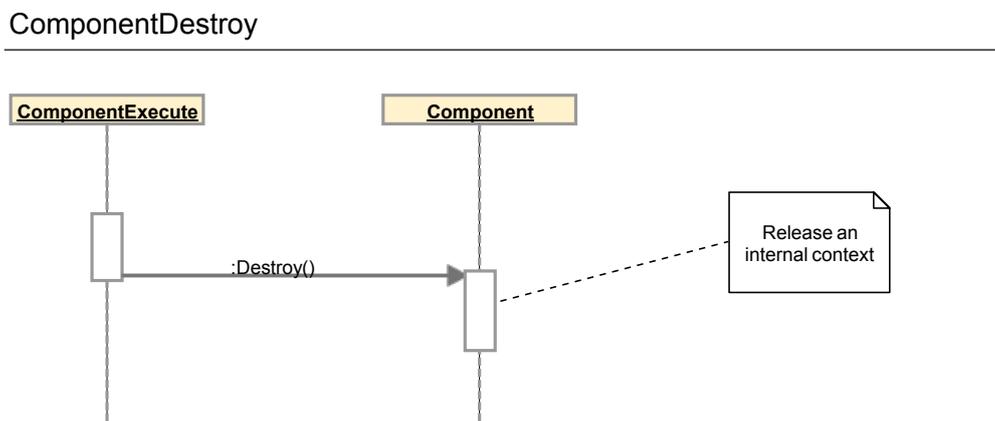


Figure 2.7. ComponentDestroy

### 2.3.3.3.6. ComponentRegisterListener()

This function is used to call a registered function when a specific event occurs in the desired component.

- `component` : The desired component
- `event` : Oring with interesting events is possible. Events are defined in `component.h`.
- `func` : The function pointer that is called when events occur.
- `context` : The argument of the function to be called.

The data type for the third argument of `ComponentListenerFunc` can be changed according to the event occurred. For example, when `COMPONENT_EVENT_DEC_GET_OUTPUT_INFO` event occurs, the third argument is a pointer to the `CNMComListenerDecDone` structure variable. That is, the data required when an event occurs can be obtained from the third argument.

Component authors can add a desired event in the `component.h` if there is no such event. The following code shows an example of decoder component.

```
typedef struct {
    Uint32 val;
} ListenerContext lsnCtx;
static void Listener(Component com, Uint32 event, void* data, void* context)
{
    CNMComListenerDecDone* p = (CNMComListenerDecDone*)data;
    ListenerContext* c = (ListenerContext*)context;

    ...
}

int main()
{
    decoder = ComponentCreate("decoder", &config)
    ComponentRegisterListener(decoder, COMPONENT_EVENT_DEC_GET_OUTPUT_INFO, Listener, (void*)&lsnCtx);
}
```

### 2.3.3.3.7. ComponentDestroy()

This function waits for the created thread to terminate, then call the `Destroy()` of Concrete component to free all allocated resources.

### 2.3.3.3.8. ComponentSetParameter()

This function sends a specific signal to a component so that the component immediately executes an action. If the component has nothing to do for the signal, the component passes the signal to the connected component. For example, Components A, B, and C are implemented as follows.

`SET_PARAM_XXX` is implemented only in the component C. The component A, B, and C are tunneled.

```
A <----> B <----> C
```

In this case, the `SET_PARAM_XXX` signal is passed to the component B as shown below, but the actual processing is done in the component C.

```
ComponentSetParam(NULL, componentB, SET_PARAM_XXX, arg);
```

### 2.3.3.3.9. ComponentGetParameter()

This function is used to obtain status information from a specific component. The behavior is the same as `ComponentSetParameter()`.

```
static void ExecuteRenderer(ComponentImpl* me)
{
    ...
    ComponentGetParameter(me, me->srcPort.connectedComponent, GET_PARAM_HANDLE, &handle);
    ...
}
```

## 2.3.4. Writing and Registering A Component

Here we describe the process of creating and registering a dummy component that does nothing.

1. Define functions to be linked with function pointers in the structure of ComponentImpl. The code below is a simple example.

```

component_dummy.c
#include <string.h>
#include "component.h"

typedef struct {
    Uint32 data;
} DummyFilterContext;

static CNMComponentParamRet GetParameterDummyFilter(ComponentImpl* from, ComponentImpl* com,
GetParameterCMD commandType, void* data)
{
    return CNM_COMPONENT_PARAM_SUCCESS;
}

static CNMComponentParamRet SetParameterDummyFilter(ComponentImpl* from, ComponentImpl* com,
SetParameterCMD commandType, void* data)
{
    return CNM_COMPONENT_PARAM_SUCCESS;
}

static BOOL ExecuteDummyFilter(ComponentImpl* com, PortContainer* in, PortContainer* out)
{
    if (TRUE == in->last) com->terminate = TRUE;

    return TRUE;
}

static BOOL DestroyDummyFilter(ComponentImpl* com)
{
    DummyFilterContext* ctx = (DummyFilterContext*)com->context;

    osal_free(ctx);

    return TRUE;
}

static Component CreateDummyFilter(ComponentImpl* com, CNMComponentConfig* componentParam)
{
    DummyFilterContext* ctx;

    ctx = (DummyFilterContext*)osal_malloc(sizeof(DummyFilterContext));
    osal_memset(ctx, 0, sizeof(DummyFilterContext));

    com->context = (void*)ctx;

    return (Component)com;
}

static BOOL PrepareDummyFilter(ComponentImpl* com, BOOL* done)
{
    *done = TRUE;

    return TRUE;
}

static void ReleaseDummyFilter(ComponentImpl* com)
{
}

ComponentImpl dummyFilterComponentImpl = {
    "dummyFilter",
    NULL,
    {0,},
    {0,},
    sizeof(PortContainerDisplay), /* OUTPUT */
    5,
    CreateDummyFilter,
    GetParameterDummyFilter,
    SetParameterDummyFilter,
    PrepareDummyFilter,
    ExecuteDummyFilter,
    ReleaseDummyFilter,
    DestroyDummyFilter
};

```

2. As shown in the above code, the defined functions are assigned to function pointers of `dummyFilterComponentImpl`. And declare it in `component.h`.

```
component.h
extern ComponentImpl feederComponentImpl;
extern ComponentImpl decoderComponentImpl;
extern ComponentImpl rendererComponentImpl;
extern ComponentImpl dummyFilterComponentImpl;
```

3. Finally, register it in the `componentList` array in `component_list.h`. Execution of `Wave5xxDecV2.mak/Wave5xxEncV2.mak` generates the `component_list_decoder.h/component_list_encoder.h` and `component_list_all.h`. Your components should be registered in the `component_list.h` properly whether it works for encoder or decoder.

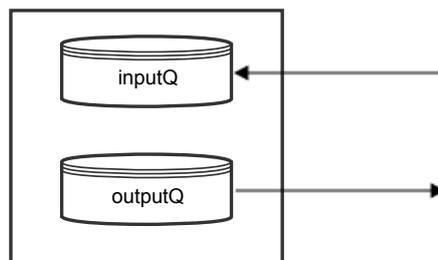
```
static ComponentImpl* componentList[] = {
    &feederComponentImpl,
    &decoderComponentImpl,
    &rendererComponentImpl,
    &dummyFilterComponentImpl,
    NULL
};
```

4. This allows `dummyFilterComponentImpl` to be created via the `ComponentCreate()` function with the name "dummyFilter".

```
Component com = ComponentCreate("dummyFilter");
```

## 2.4. Port

A port is a gate for passing data between components. A port has two internal queues: one is the data transfer side (outputQ) and the other is the side that receives the transferred data (inputQ). [Figure 2.8, "Port"](#) illustrates the port consisting of inputQ and outputQ.



**Figure 2.8. Port**

One port is created in the `ComponentCreate()` process. The component has two ports: source port and sink port. The port created by `ComponentCreate()` is the sink port. The source port points to the sink port of the source component when tunneling.

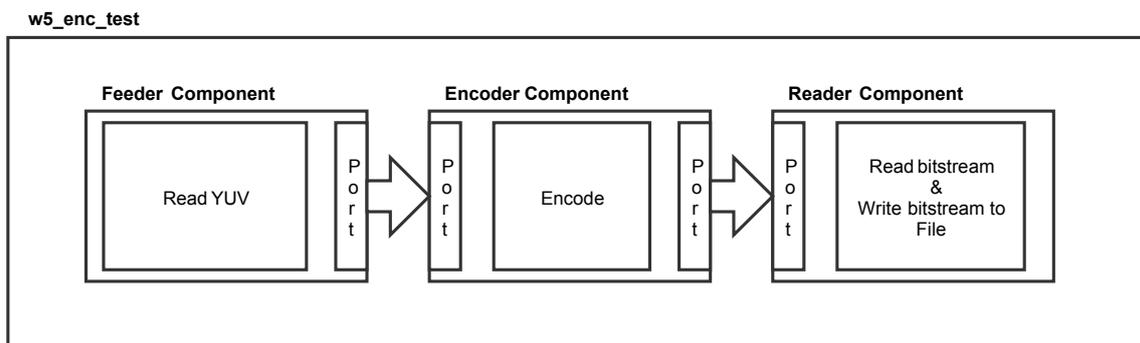
- source port - A pointer to the port of the source component.
- sink port - A port that has data to send to the sink component.

Data transfer between ports is done through the `PortContainer` structure. For passing data, data should be carried in the `PortContainer`. The corresponding component retrieves the `PortContainer`, extracts the data, and returns the `PortContainer`.

# Chapter 3

## Encoder Sample

[Figure 3.1, “Encoder Sample”](#) depicts the encoder application sample consisting of Feeder Component, Encoder Component, and Reader Component. Data communications with components is always directed to a specific component port.



**Figure 3.1. Encoder Sample**

This chapter details each of component in terms of component duty, task function and flow, and data passed between the components.

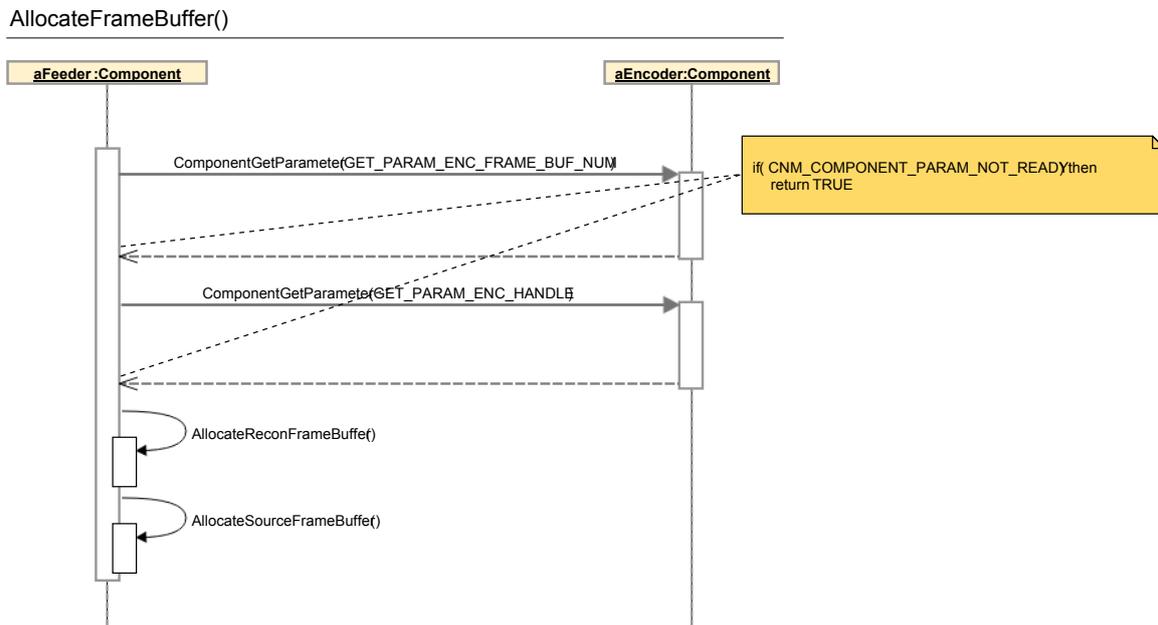
## 3.1. YUV Feeder Component

### 3.1.1. Component Role

The YUV Feeder Component allocates framebuffers. It reads one frame from YUV file, loads it in the allocated framebuffer, and passes the framebuffer information to encoder component.

#### **PrepareYuvFeeder()**

To allocate the reconstruction framebuffer and the source framebuffer, this method obtains the information of each necessary framebuffer from the encoder component. [Figure 3.2, “PrepareYuvFeeder”](#) below is the process of assigning reconstruction framebuffer and source framebuffer in the YuvFeeder:Prepare() phase.



**Figure 3.2. PrepareYuvFeeder**

### ExecuteYuvFeeder()

The main function of the YUV feeder component is to read YUV frame by frame, store it in the framebuffer, and pass the framebuffer information to the encoder component. [Figure 3.3, “ExecuteYuvFeeder”](#) is a schematic flow chart for `ExecuteYuvFeeder()`.

The out variable, the `PortContainer` data type pointer, is a container that is passed to the encoder component. It must not pass YUV data to the encoder component until the framebuffer is verified to be registered with the VPU. Through `ComponentGetParameter(GET_PARAM_ENC_BUF_REGISTERED)`, we can see if the encoder has registered a framebuffer with the VPU. If the framebuffer has not been registered yet, set `out->reuse` to `TRUE` to prevent YUV data from being passed to the encoder component so that you can reuse the container on the next call. If the encoder component is ready, you can load YUV into the framebuffer by calling `YuvFeeder_Feed()`.

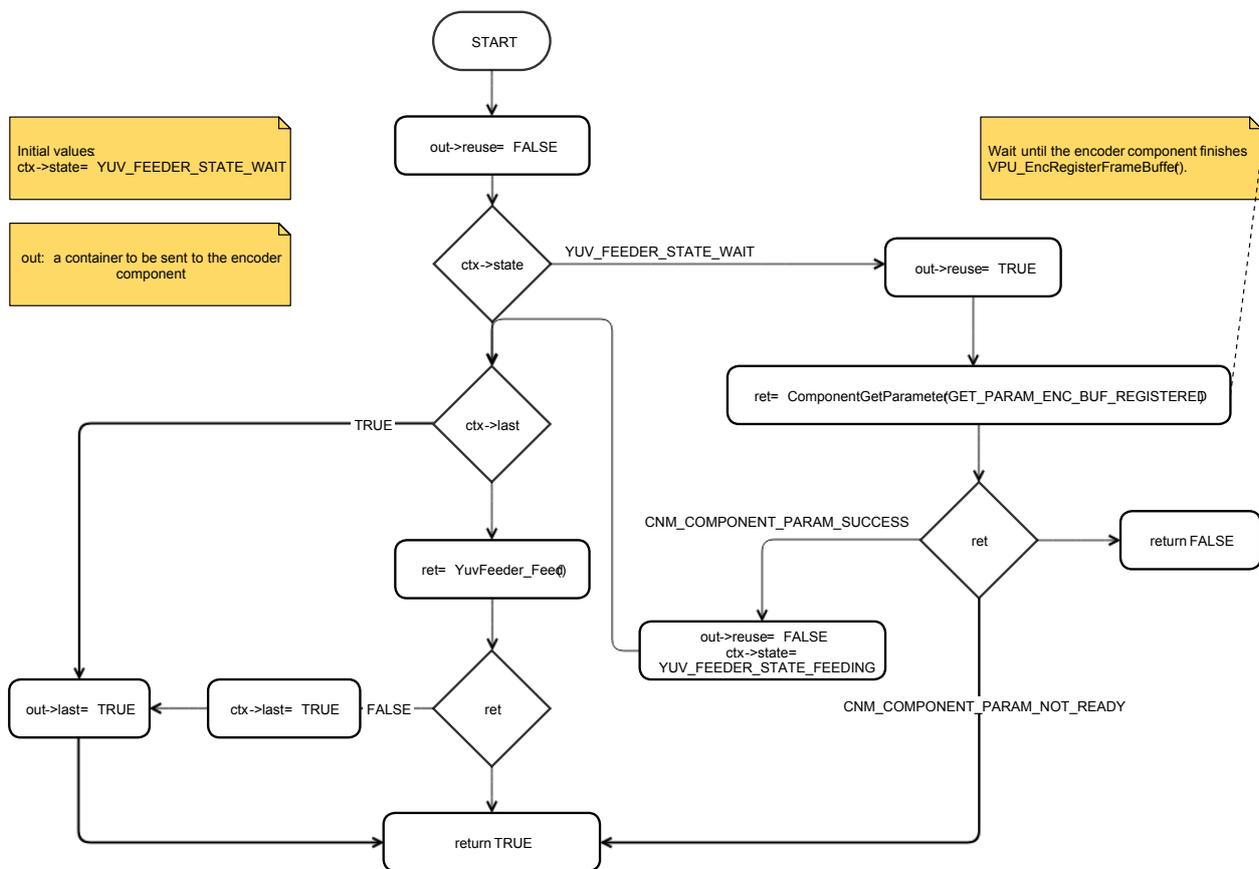


Figure 3.3. ExecuteYuvFeeder

### 3.1.2. Listener Events

None

### 3.1.3. GetParameter

**GET\_PARAM\_YUVFEEDER\_FRAME\_BUF**  
passes the informaion on framebuffer.

### 3.1.4. SetParameter

None

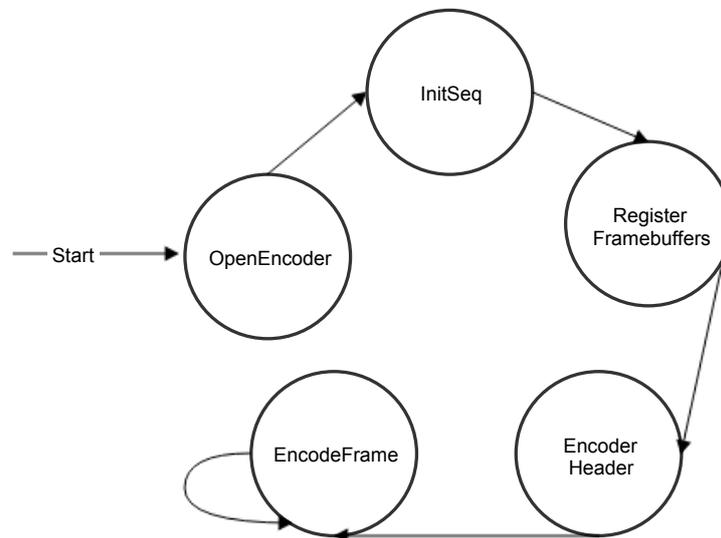
## 3.2. Encoder Component

The Encoder Component is responsible for encoding YUV received from the feeder and passing the encoded stream to the Reader Component. This component carries out a four-step operation except for the initialization and termination steps.

1. Open a encoder instance
2. Encode a stream header
3. Register framebuffers

#### 4. Encode a frame

The three initial steps are performed only once, and the last "Encode a frame" is repeated every time the stream comes in.



**Figure 3.4. Encoder State Transition**

The code below is for the above state transition.

```

ExecuteEncoder
switch (ctx->state) {
case ENCODER_STATE_OPEN:
    ret = OpenEncoder(com);
    if (ctx->stateDoing == FALSE) ctx->state = ENCODER_STATE_INIT_SEQ;
    break;
case ENCODER_STATE_INIT_SEQ:
    ret = SetSequenceInfo(com);
    if (ctx->stateDoing == FALSE) ctx->state = ENCODER_STATE_REGISTER_FB;
    break;
case ENCODER_STATE_REGISTER_FB:
    ret = RegisterFrameBuffers(com);
    if (ctx->stateDoing == FALSE) ctx->state = ENCODER_STATE_ENCODE_HEADER;
    break;
case ENCODER_STATE_ENCODE_HEADER:
    ret = EncodeHeader(com);
    if (ctx->stateDoing == FALSE) ctx->state = ENCODER_STATE_ENCODING;
    break;
case ENCODER_STATE_ENCODING:
    if (in) in->reuse = FALSE;
    if (out) out->reuse = FALSE;
    ret = Encode(com, (PortContainerYuv*)in, (PortContainerES*)out);
    break;
default:
    ret = FALSE;
    break;
}
  
```

### 3.2.1. OpenEncoder()

This method calls VPU\_EncOpen() to get an encoder handle. It also raises an event if there is a listener registered in the COMPONENT\_EVENT\_ENC\_OPEN event.

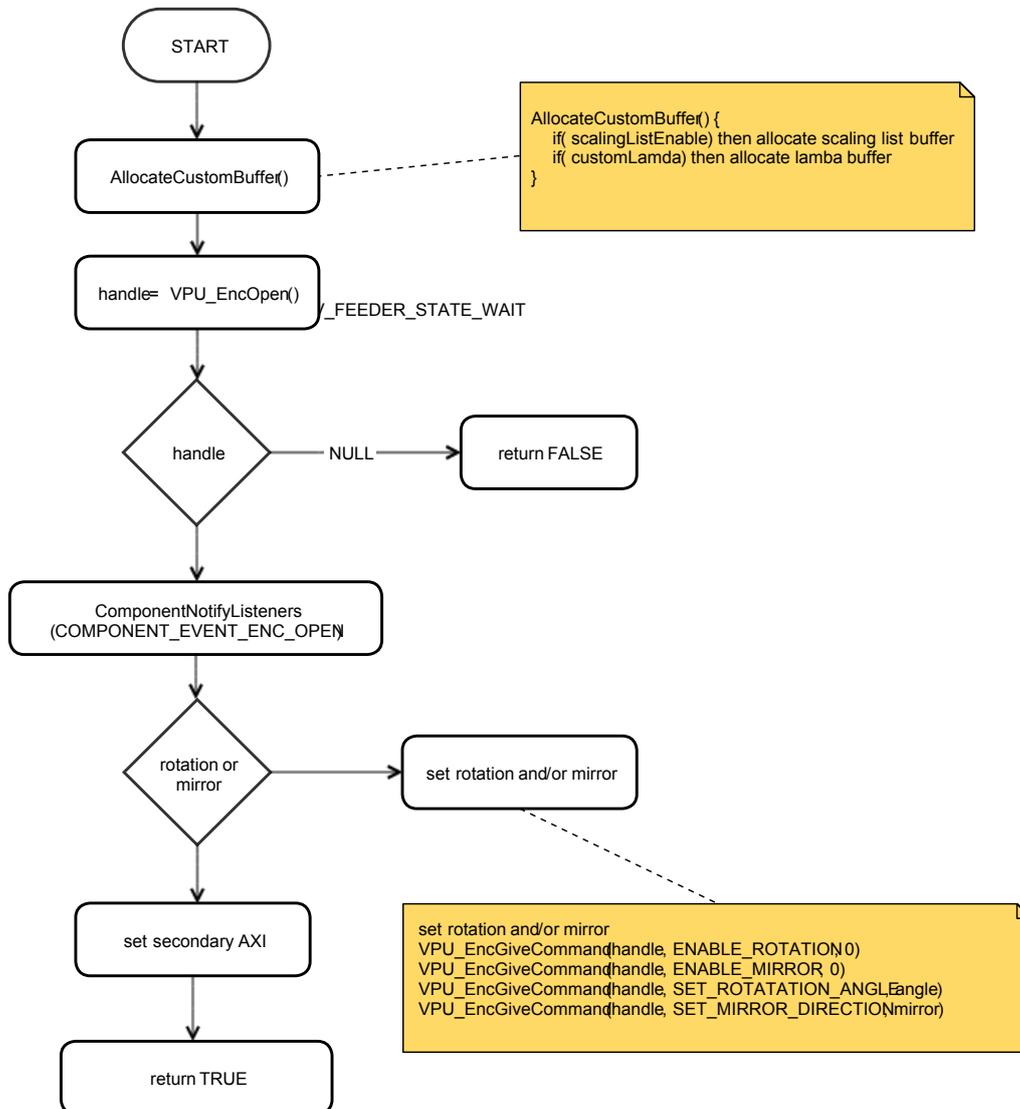


Figure 3.5. OpenEncoder()

### 3.2.2. SetSequenceInfo()

This method passes encoder parameter information to VPU so that the VPU can compose of video sequence information. [Figure 3.6, “SetSequenceInfo\(\)”](#) is a flow chart of SetSequenceInfo(). SetSequenceInfo() goes to the next step if ctx-> stateDoing is FALSE as shown in the code for the above state transition. That is, ctx-> stateDoing means that SetSequenceInfo() has not yet finished.

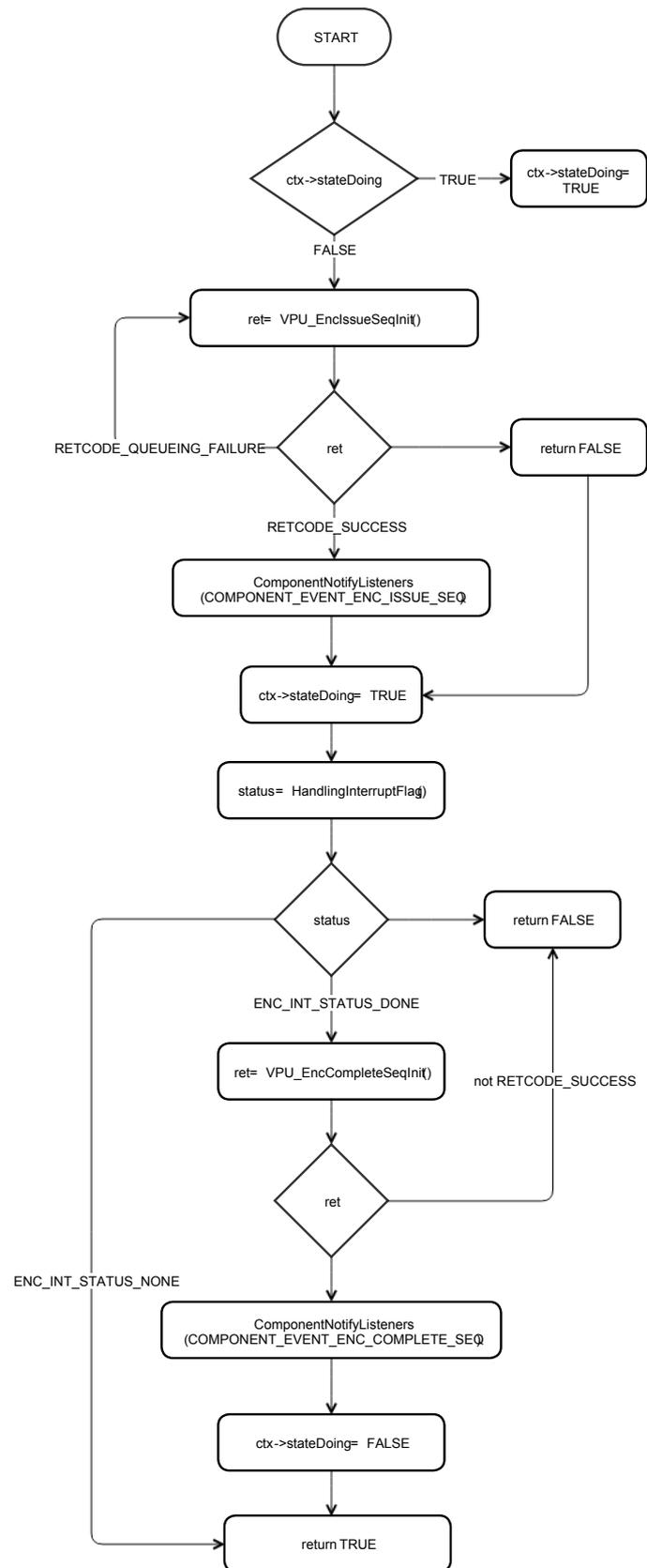


Figure 3.6. SetSequenceInfo()

### 3.2.3. RegisterFrameBuffer()

This method obtains the information of reconstruction framebuffer and source framebuffer from the YUV feeder component and registers the reconstruction framebuffers for VPU by using VPU\_EncRegisterFrameBuffer() function.

RegisterFramebuffers()

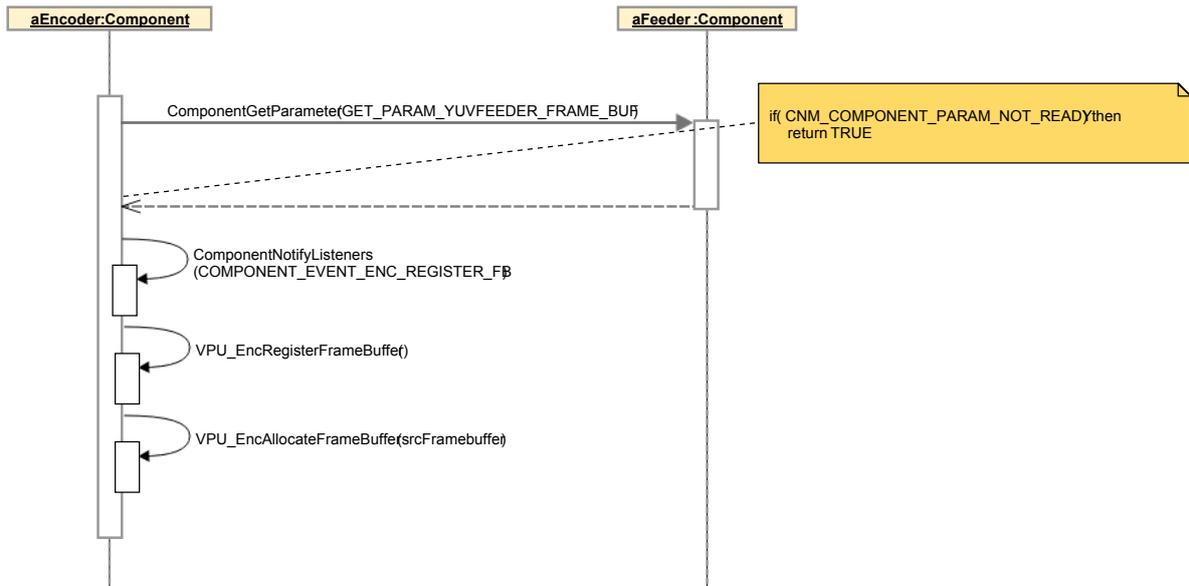


Figure 3.7. RegisterFrameBuffer()

### 3.2.4. EncodeHeader()

This method creates the video sequence information according to the codec with the video parameter information delivered to the VPU via `SetSequenceInfo()`.

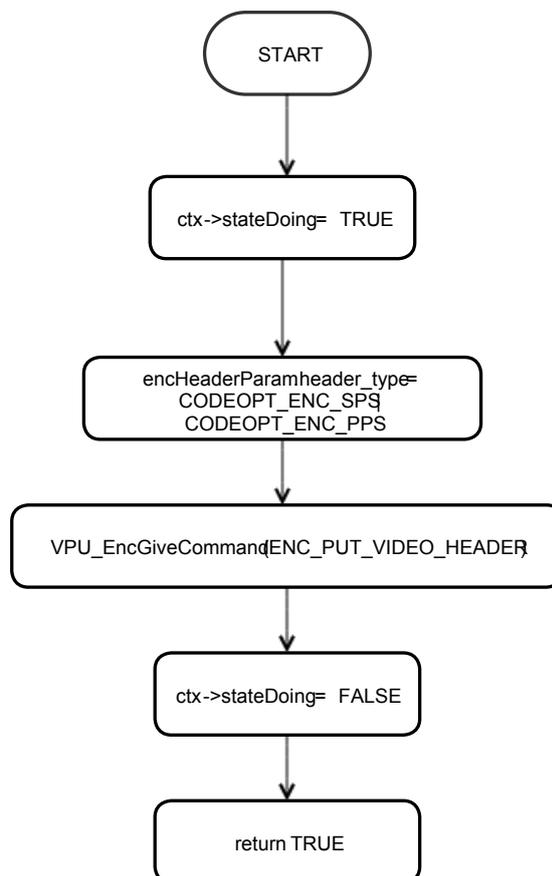


Figure 3.8. EncodeHeader()

### 3.2.5. Encode()

[Figure 3.9, “Encode\(\)”](#) is a flowchart of the `encoder()` function. The encoding process is divided into three phases for convenience of explanation.

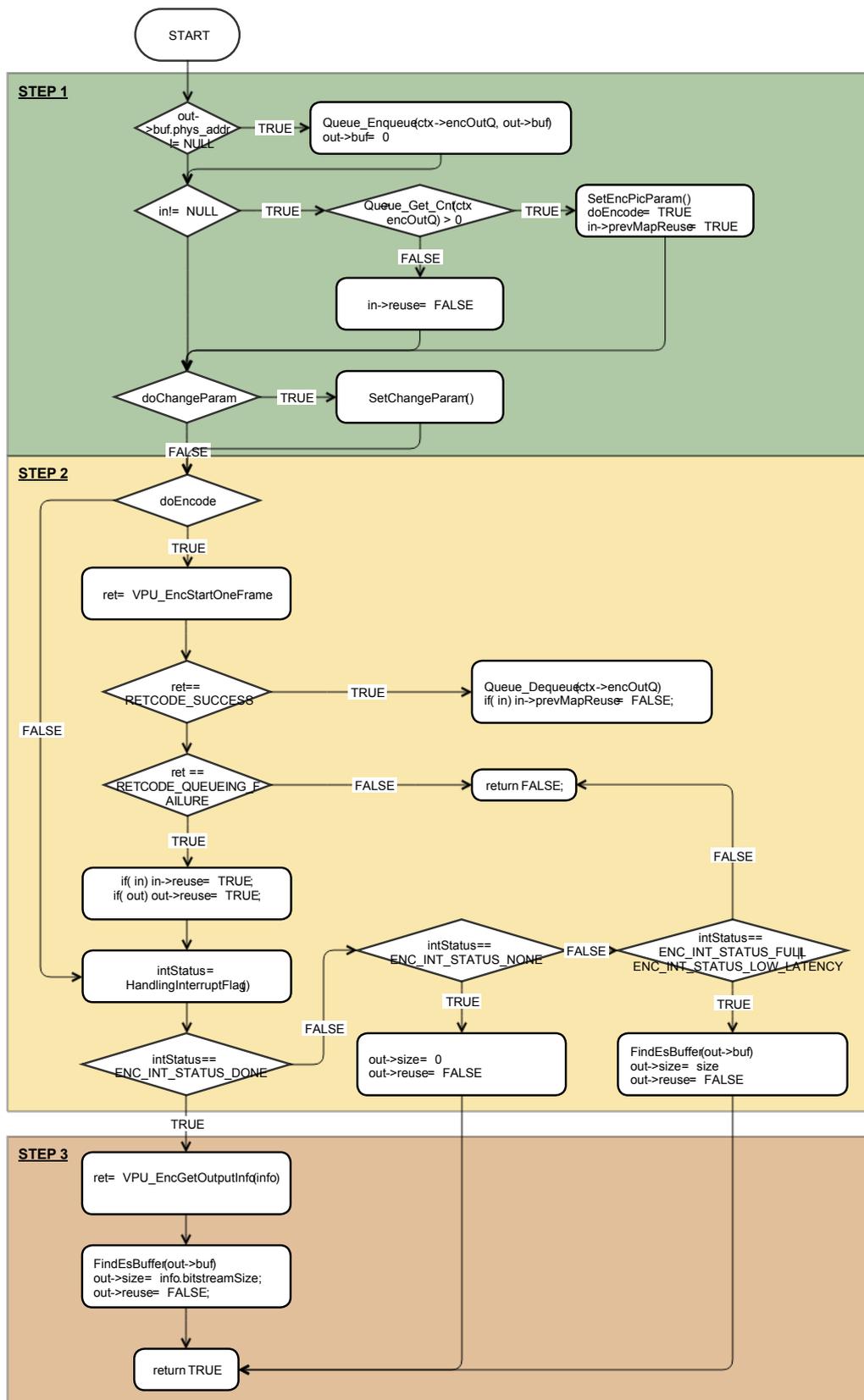


Figure 3.9. Encode()

**STEP 1**

The first step is to check the input container and output container and verify the encoding is possible. The variable `in`, which corresponds to the input container, contains YUV information. Therefore, if `in` is not null, set `doEncode` to `TRUE`. The variable `out` in the output container has bitstream buffer information. Put this information in the container internal variable `encOutQ`. The purpose of `encOutQ` is to have a usable bitstream buffer as container internal information. When one encode command uses one bitstream buffer, it prevents the encoding process from proceeding if the bitstream buffer is exhausted. Therefore, if encoding is possible (`doEncoder = TRUE`), there must be an input container and a bitstream buffer available for `encOutQ`. If encoding is possible, call `SetEncPicParam()` to set encoding related parameters in the `EncParam` structure variable.

**STEP 2**

The second step is to issue the encoding command to the VPU and receive the interrupt. If the return value of `VPU_EncStartOneFrame()` is `RETCODE_SUCCESS`, it calls `Queue_Dequeue(encOutQ)` to indicate that the bitstream buffer has been consumed. `RETCODE_QUEUEING_FAILURE` does not call `Queue_Dequeue(encOutQ)`, because the command queue is full. Also, it changes the `reuse` field of the input/output container to `TRUE` so that you can use the same input and output container again for the next call.

Call `HandlingInterruptFlag()` to get interrupt flag information. If encoding is complete with `ENC_INT_STATUS_DONE`, go to the next step. Otherwise, it behaves according to each state.

**STEP 3**

The last step is to call the `VPU_EncGetOutputInfo()` that obtains the bitstream information, and to place the received bitstream buffer information in the output container, and pass it to the connected sink component.

## 3.2.6. Listener events

**COMPONENT\_EVENT\_ENC\_OPEN**

Event for `VPU_EncOpen()` method call. The listener receives the `CNMComListenerEncOpen` structure information.

**COMPONENT\_EVENT\_ENC\_ISSUE\_SEQ**

Event for `VPU_EncIssueSeqInit()` method call. The listener does not receive information about the event, but a null pointer.

**COMPONENT\_EVENT\_ENC\_COMPLETE\_SEQ**

Event for `VPU_EncCompleteSeqInit()` method call. The listener receives the `CNMComListenerEncCompleteSeq` structure information.

**COMPONENT\_EVENT\_ENC\_REGISTER\_FB**

Event for `VPU_EncRegisterFrameBuffer()` method call. The listener does not receive information about the event, but a null pointer.

**COMPONENT\_EVENT\_ENC\_READY\_ONE\_FRAME**

Event occurring before calling `VPU_EncStartOneFrame()`. The listener does not receive information about the event, but a null pointer.

**COMPONENT\_EVENT\_ENC\_START\_ONE\_FRAME**

Event for `VPU_EncStartOneFrame()` method call. The listener receives the `CNMComListenerEncDone` structure information.

## 3.2.7. GetParameter

**GET\_PARAM\_COM\_IS\_CONTAINER\_CONSUMED**

Informs whether the YUV framebuffer in the input container has been consumed. In case of command queue, it cannot return the container immediately to the source component because the frame is not encoded at the time the command is entered.

**GET\_PARAM\_ENC\_HANDLE**

Obtains an encoder handle.

**GET\_PARAM\_ENC\_FRAME\_BUF\_NUM**

Returns the required reconstruction framebuffer and the number of source framebuffer.

**GET\_PARAM\_ENC\_FRAME\_BUF\_REGISTERED**

Informs VPU about whether the reconstruction framebuffer is registered.

### 3.2.8. SetParameter

None

## 3.3. Reader Component

### 3.3.1. Component Role

Allocates a bitstream buffer. Reads the bitstream information received from the encoder component and stores it in a file.

**PrepareReader()**

Allocate a bitstream buffer as much as the source port.

**ExecuteReader()**

Receives the bitstream buffer information from the input container, variable `in`, reads the bitstream, and stores it in the file.

### 3.3.2. Listener Events

None

### 3.3.3. GetParameter

**GET\_PARAM\_COM\_IS\_CONTAINER\_CONSUMED**

The consumed field of container is always TRUE, since there are no special restrictions.

**GET\_PARAM\_READER\_BITSTREAM\_BUF**

Obtains the information of allocated bitstream buffer.

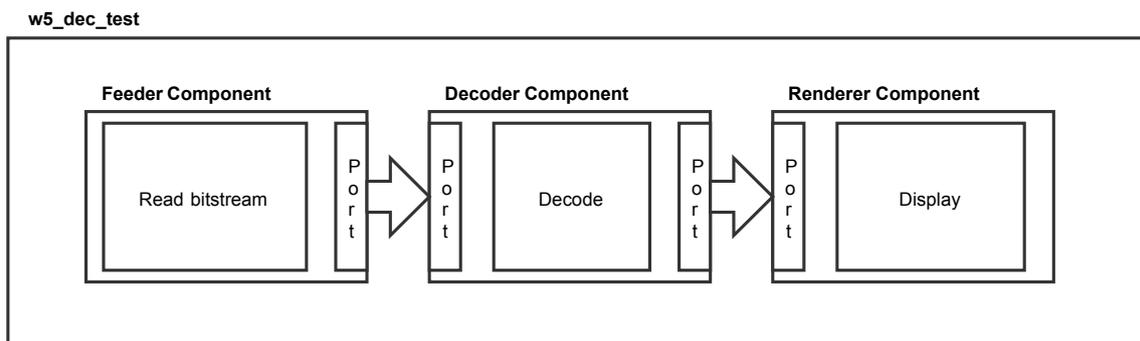
### 3.3.4. SetParameter

None

# Chapter 4

## Decoder Sample

[Figure 4.1, “Decoder Sample”](#) depicts the decoder application sample consisting of Feeder Component, Decoder Component, and Renderer Component. Data communications with components is always directed to a specific component port.



**Figure 4.1. Decoder Sample**

This chapter details each of component in terms of component duty, task function and flow, and data passed between the components.

## 4.1. Feeder Component

### 4.1.1. Component Role

The Feeder Component reads bitstream from a file, writes it to bitstream buffer, and passes the read pointer and writer pointer of the bitstream buffer to decoder component. It also allocates a bitstream buffer. In case of interrupt mode, one bitstream buffer is allocated. In pic-end mode, it allocates the bitstream buffers as many as the number of sink port queues.

### 4.1.2. Listener Events

None

### 4.1.3. GetParameter

#### **GET\_PARAM\_COM\_IS\_CONTAINER\_CONSUMED**

The fourth argument to `GetParameter()` is a pointer to the `PortContainer` structure. You should always assign `TRUE` to `PortContainer::consumed`.

#### **GET\_PARAM\_FEEDER\_BITSTREAM\_BUF**

Obtains the address and size of the allocated bitstream buffer.

#### **GET\_PARAM\_FEEDER\_EOS**

Gets the result if the stream has been consumed up.

## 4.1.4. SetParameter

### SET\_PARAM\_COM\_PAUSE

Depending on the value of the fourth argument, the operation of the component is temporarily stopped or restarted.

### SET\_PARAM\_FEEDER\_START\_INJECT\_ERROR

Enables bit-error injection which puts error bits in the stream to be passed to the decoder component.

### SET\_PARAM\_FEEDER\_STOP\_INJECT\_ERROR

Disables bit-error injection which puts error bits in the stream to be passed to the decoder component.

### SET\_PARAM\_FEEDER\_RESET

Initializes the Feeder job.

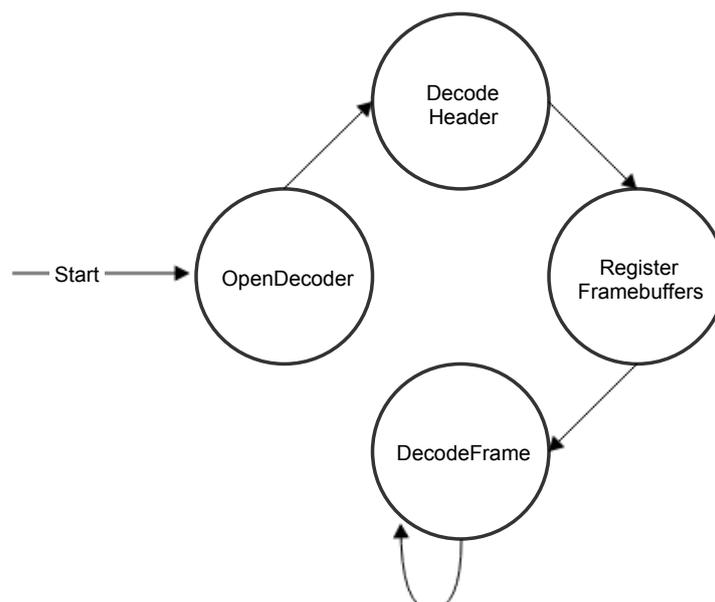
## 4.2. Decoder Component

### 4.2.1. Component Role

The Decoder Component is responsible for decoding bitstream received from the feeder and delivering the decoded result to the Renderer Component. This component carries out four stages of operation except for the initialization and termination steps.

1. Open a decoder instance
2. Decode a stream header
3. Register framebuffers
4. Decode a frame

The previous 3 steps are performed only once, and the last "Decode a frame" is repeated every time the stream comes in.



**Figure 4.2. Decoder State Transition**

The code below is for the above state transition.

```

ExecuteDecoder
static BOOL ExecuteDecoder(ComponentImpl* com, PortContainer* in, PortContainer* out)
{
...
if (ctx->state == DEC_STATE_INIT_SEQ || ctx->state == DEC_STATE_DECODING) {
    if (UpdateBitstream(ctx, (PortContainerES*)in) == FALSE) {
        return FALSE;
    }
    if (in) {
        // In ring-buffer mode, it has to return back a container immediately.
        if (bsMode == BS_MODE_PIC_END) {
            if (ctx->state == DEC_STATE_INIT_SEQ) {
                in->reuse = TRUE;
            }
            in->consumed = FALSE;
        }
        else {
            in->consumed = (in->reuse == FALSE);
        }
    }
}
...
switch (ctx->state) {
case DEC_STATE_OPEN_DECODER:
    ret = OpenDecoder(com);
    if (ctx->stateDoing == FALSE) ctx->state = DEC_STATE_INIT_SEQ;
    break;
case DEC_STATE_INIT_SEQ:
    ret = DecodeHeader(com);
    if (ctx->stateDoing == FALSE) ctx->state = DEC_STATE_REGISTER_FB;
    break;
case DEC_STATE_REGISTER_FB:
    ret = RegisterFrameBuffers(com);
    if (ctx->stateDoing == FALSE) {
        ctx->state = DEC_STATE_DECODING;
        DisplayDecodedInformation(ctx->handle, ctx->decOpenParam.bitstreamFormat, 0, NULL,
            ctx->testDecConfig.performance, 0);
    }
    break;
case DEC_STATE_DECODING:
    ret = Decode(com, (PortContainerES*)in, (PortContainerDisplay*)out);
    break;
default:
    ret = FALSE;
    break;
}
...
}

```

### 4.2.1.1. OpenDecoder()

OpenDecoder() gets the bitstream buffer from the feeder component and calls VPU\_DecOpen() to get the decoder handle. If the feeder component has not yet allocated the bitstream buffer, it returns TRUE without changing state to DEC\_STATE\_INIT\_SEQ. The bitstream buffer should be checked again in the next call, since the state change to DEC\_STATE\_INIT\_SEQ has not been made.

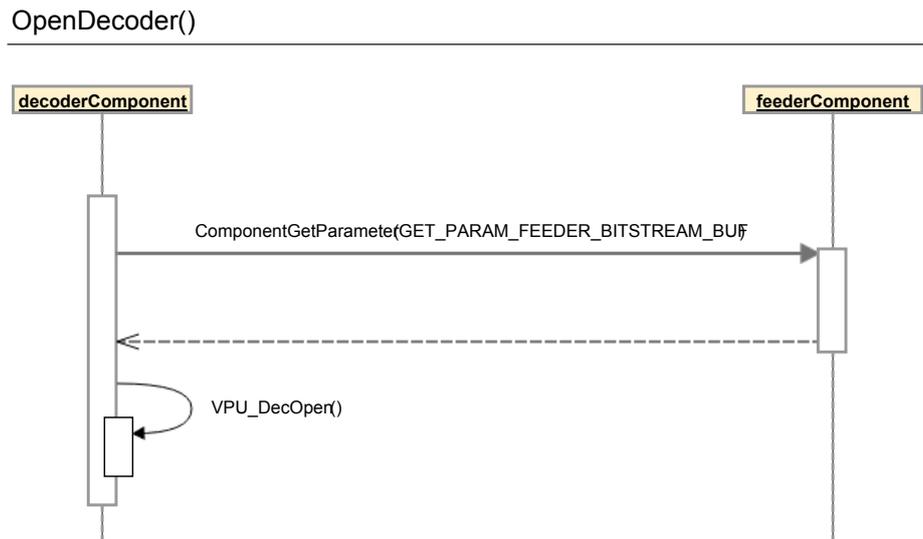
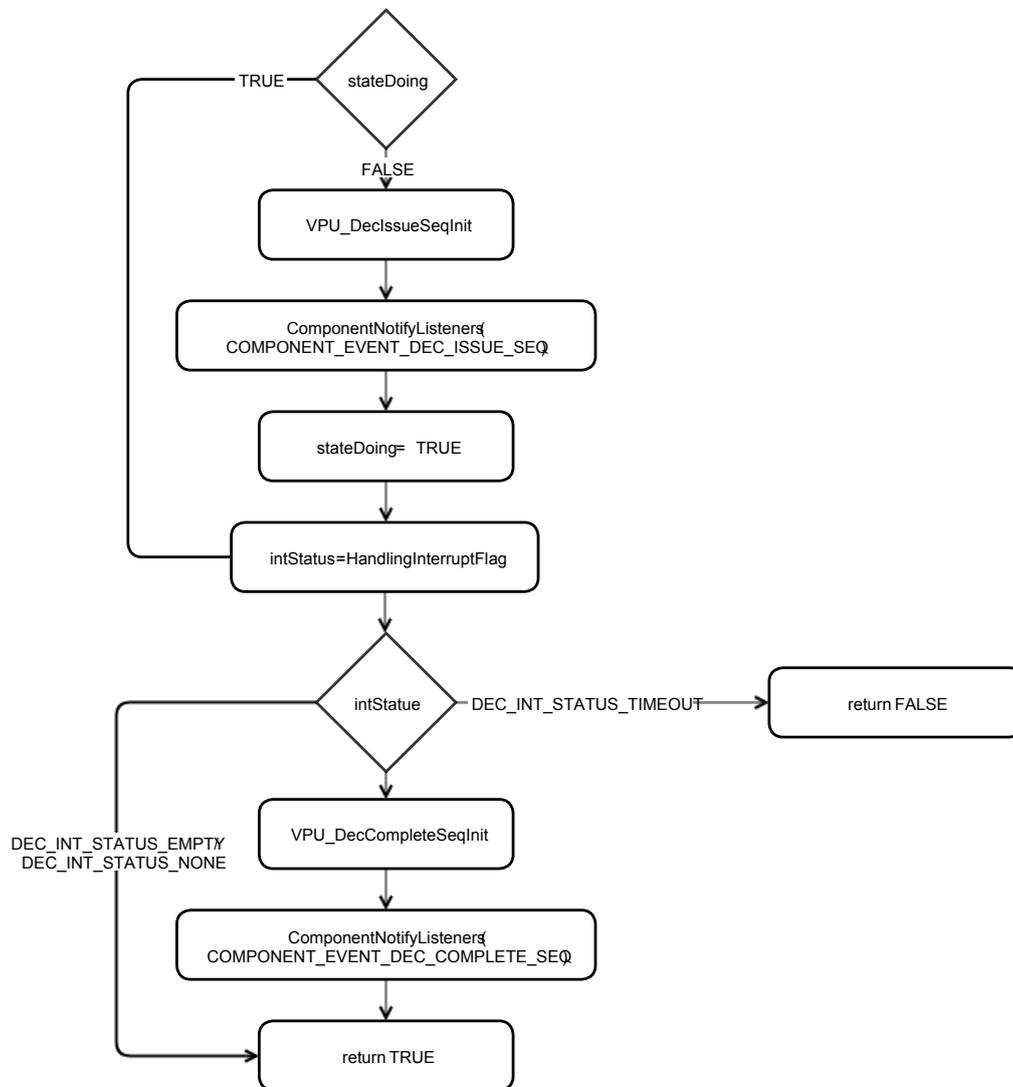


Figure 4.3. OpenDecoder

### 4.2.1.2. DecodeHeader()

DecodeHeader() parses the header of the video sequence.



**Figure 4.4. DecodeHeader**

### 4.2.1.3. RegisterFrameBuffers()

The framebuffer is allocated by the renderer component. After passing the GET\_PARAM\_RENDERER\_FRAME\_BUF command to the Renderer component and getting the framebuffer, it calls VPU\_DecRegisterFrameBufferEx().

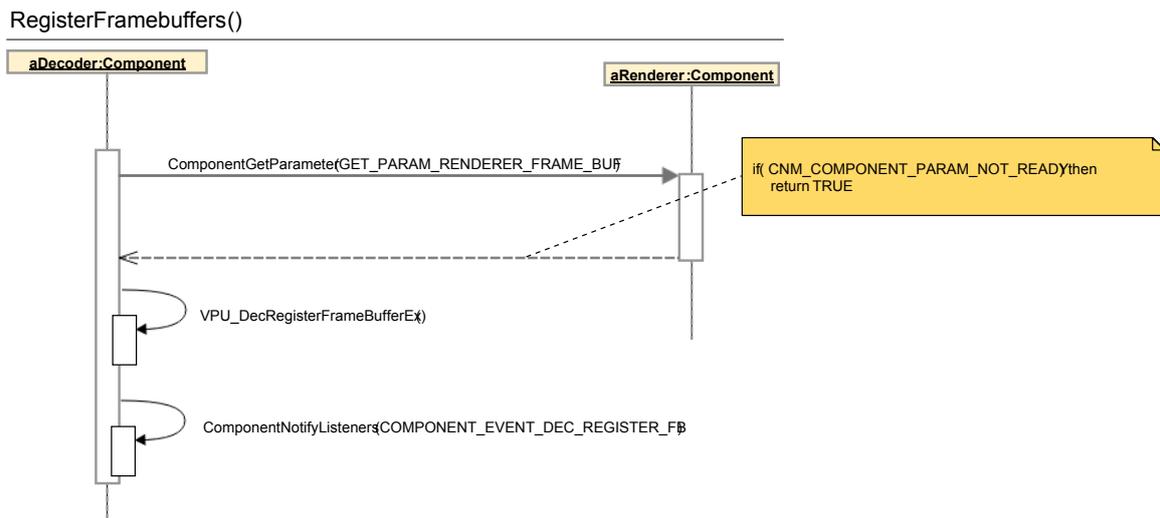


Figure 4.5. RegisterFrameBuffers

## 4.2.1.4. Decode()

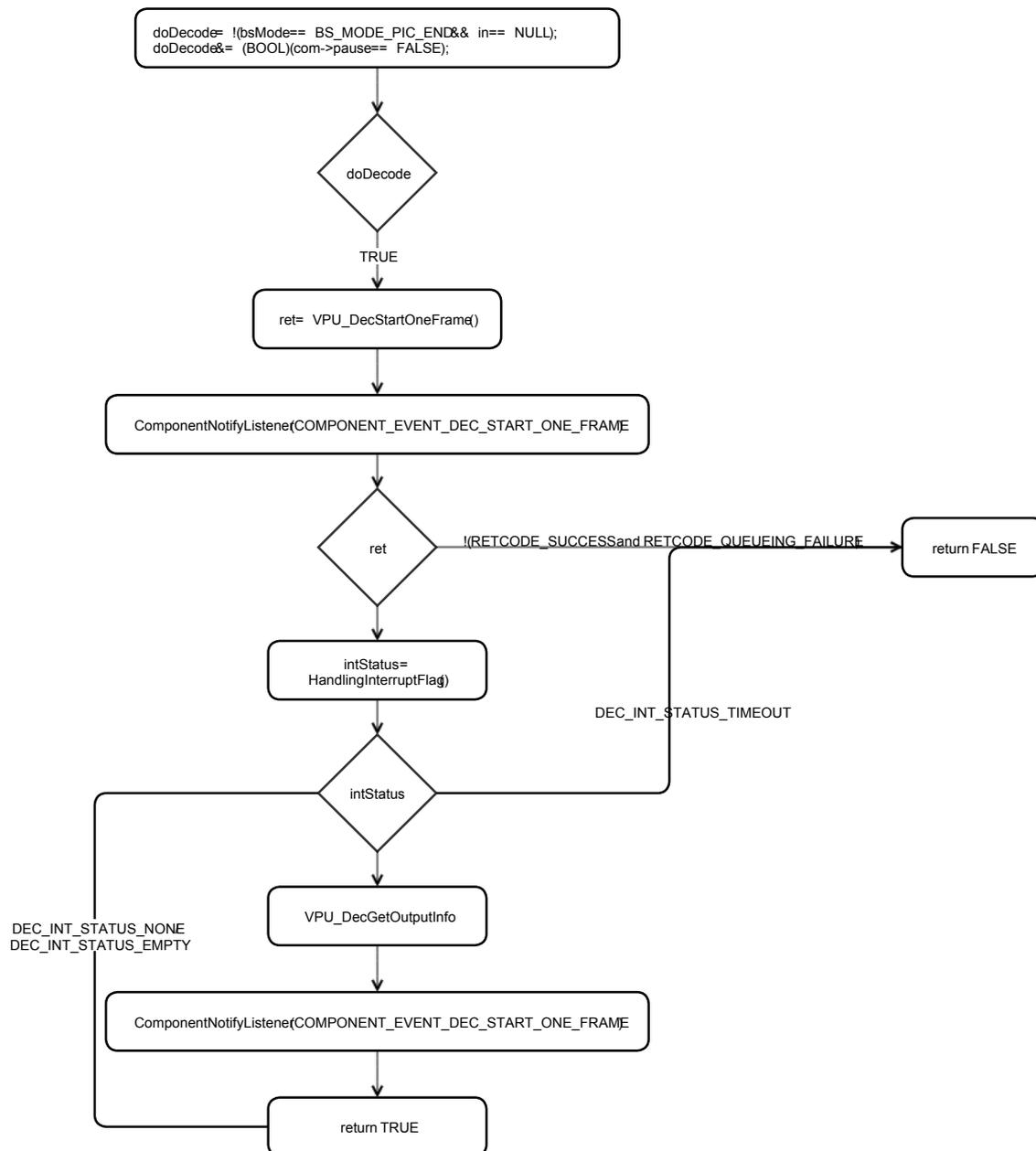


Figure 4.6. Decode

If `DecOutputInfo::indexFrameDisplay` is greater than or equal to 0 in the information obtained from `VPU_DecGetOutputInfo()`, data is loaded into the output container. It changes the reuse field of the output container to `FALSE`.

```

Decode
static BOOL Decode(ComponentImpl* com, PortContainerES* in, PortContainerDisplay* out)
...
if ((decOutputInfo.indexFrameDisplay >= 0) || (decOutputInfo.indexFrameDisplay == DISPLAY_IDX_FLAG_SEQ_END)) {
    ctx->numOutput++;
    out->last = (BOOL)(decOutputInfo.indexFrameDisplay == DISPLAY_IDX_FLAG_SEQ_END);
    out->reuse = FALSE;
  }

```

```

}
...
}

```

## 4.2.2. Listener Events

### COMPONENT\_EVENT\_DEC\_OPEN

Event for VPU\_DecOpen() method call. The event will occur even on failure.

### COMPONENT\_EVENT\_DEC\_ISSUE\_SEQ

Event for VPU\_DecIssueSeqInit() method call. The event will occur even on failure.

### COMPONENT\_EVENT\_DEC\_COMPLETE\_SEQ

Event for VPU\_DecCompleteSeqInit() method call. The event will occur even on failure.

### COMPONENT\_EVENT\_DEC\_REGISTER\_FB

Event for VPU\_DecRegisterFrameBufferEx() method call. The event will occur even on failure.

### COMPONENT\_EVENT\_DEC\_READY\_ONE\_FRAME

Event raising before VPU\_DecStartOneFrame() method call. The event will occur even on failure.

### COMPONENT\_EVENT\_DEC\_START\_ONE\_FRAME

Event for VPU\_DecStartOneFrame() method call. The event will occur even on failure.

### COMPONENT\_EVENT\_DEC\_GET\_OUTPUT\_INFO

Event for VPU\_DecGetOutputInfo() method call. The event will occur even on failure.

### COMPONENT\_EVENT\_DEC\_CLOSE

Event for VPU\_DecClose() method call

### COMPONENT\_EVENT\_RESET\_DONE

The decoder component automatically enters reset process when there is no response from VPU. This event arises when the reset flow is over.

### COMPONENT\_EVENT\_DEC\_DECODED\_ALL

This event arises when all frames have been decoded.

## 4.2.3. GetParameter

### GET\_PARAM\_COM\_IS\_CONTAINER\_CONSUMED

Checks if input stream in the container has been consumed or not. In case of using command queue, it is needed because input stream is not consumed immediately at the time the command is entered. If the input stream is consumed, it changes `PortContainer::consumed` to TRUE if consumed.

### GET\_PARAM\_DEC\_HANDLE

Returns a decoder handle.

### GET\_PARAM\_DEC\_FRAME\_BUF\_NUM

Obtains the minimum required number of framebuffers.

### GET\_PARAM\_DEC\_BITSTREAM\_BUF\_POS

Returns the read pointer and write pointer of the current bitstream buffer.

### GET\_PARAM\_DEC\_CODEC\_INFO

Returns the video sequence information in the DecGetOutputInfo structure.

### GET\_PARAM\_DEC\_QUEUE\_STATUS

Obtains the status of command queue.

## 4.2.4. SetParameter

### SET\_PARAM\_COM\_PAUSE

Pauses temporarily or restart the component operation according to the value of the fourth argument.

### SET\_PARAM\_DEC\_SKIP\_COMMAND

Sends a skip command.

### SET\_PARAM\_DEC\_RESET

Resets VPU.

## 4.3. Renderer Component

### 4.3.1. Component Role

The renderer component allocates the framebuffer with the information retrieved from the decoder component. It also displays the framebuffer which is passed from the decoder component. The framebuffer displayed is returned to VPU.

#### AllocateFramebuffer()

Framebuffers are assigned in Component:Prepare(). It obtains required number of framebuffers from the decoder component.

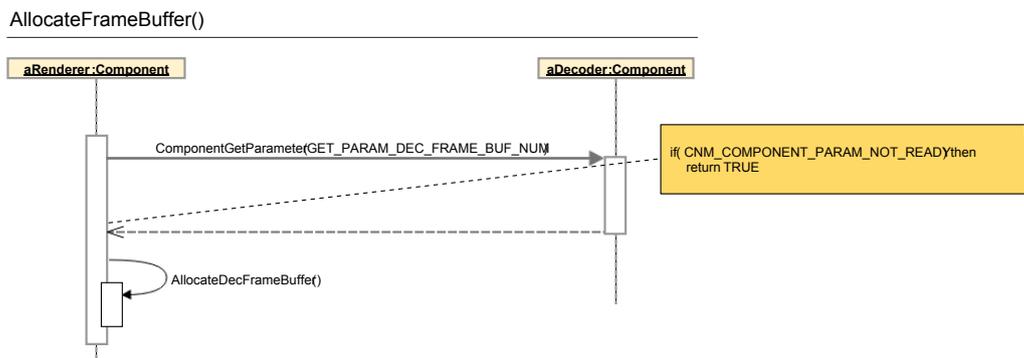


Figure 4.7. AllocateFramebuffer

#### DisplayFrame()

Returns the used framebuffer to VPU by using `VPU_DecClrDispFlag()`.

### 4.3.2. Listener events

None

### 4.3.3. GetParameter

#### GET\_PARAM\_COM\_IS\_CONTAINER\_CONSUMED

The fourth argument of `GetParameter()` is a pointer to the `PortContainer` structure. `PortContainer::consumed` should be always TRUE.

#### GET\_PARAM\_RENDERER\_FRAME\_BUF

Returns the allocated framebuffer information.

**GET\_PARAM\_RENDERER\_PPU\_FRAME\_BUF**

If PPU(rotation, mirror) is supported, it returns the information of PPU framebuffer.

### 4.3.4. SetParameter

**SET\_PARAM\_RENDERER\_REALLOC\_FRAMEBUFFER**

Reassigns the framebuffer to a different size. It can be used when only certain frames such as VP9 are changed in size.

**SET\_PARAM\_RENDERER\_FREE\_FRAMEBUFFERS**

Releases all the framebuffer memory.

**SET\_PARAM\_RENDERER\_FLUSH**

Extracts all the data from the renderer component and returns them to VPU immediately by calling VPU\_DecClrDispFlag().

**SET\_PARAM\_RENDERER\_ALLOC\_FRAMEBUFFERS**

Reallocates the framebuffer. You must first pass and execute SET\_PARAM\_RENDERER\_FREE\_FRAMEBUFFER before issuing SET\_PARAM\_RENDERER\_ALLOC\_FRAMEBUFFERS.

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