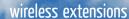# rate control userspace API

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Linux Wireless

- SIOCGIWRATE – reports current bitrate
- SIOCSIWRATE – possible settings:
  - automatic (default)
  - automatic below a given bitrate
  - fixed to a given bitrate
- not all functionality supported by all drivers, interpretation may vary
  - mac80211: all
  - iwm: reports bitrate
  - rndis: "link speed"

- report and switch rate control algorithm
- have per-algorithm parameters (or is this more of a debugging facility?)

- some RC API really should be per station (IBSS, mesh, peer links)
- report HT bitrates in SIOCGIWRATE?
- how then make setting max bitrate compatible with HT?
- drivers with fixed RC algorithm in device or driver (iwlwifi/ath9k)
- multicast frame bitrates

- how to standardise per-algorithm parameters to avoid iwpriv mess?
- just have some standard, but optional, parameters like
    - max bitrate (wext compat)
    - fixed bitrate (wext compat)
    - fixed set of bitrates (e.g. 1,2,11,18,36,54)
    - ...