

TSG-RAN Meeting #21
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Agenda Item: 7.3.2
Source: Nokia
Title: Way forward with the Iur-g discussion between GERAN and TSG RAN WG2
Document for: Discussion and decision

Introduction

As discussed during TSG RAN#21 in connection with the report from TSG RAN WG2, there remains one issue open on the Iu mode related discussions between GERAN and TSG RAN WG2. As was discussed the problem seems to be a few companies having conflicting view on the issue in GERAN and in TSG RAN WG2 which leads to the endless LS rally between the groups.

Background

TSG RAN WG2 has been discussing the CRs related to GERAN Iu mode. Last RAN2#37 sent an LS to TSG GERAN (R2-032026) informing them about the agreed CRs related to handover, and at the same time stating:

“RAN2 has not agreed the CR on inter-RAT cell reselection because there are still concerns regarding the cell reselection from UTRAN cell to GERAN Iu mode cell. In RAN2’s opinion it is too late to add the requirement of CSN.1 decoding to UTRAN Rel-5. Therefore, RAN2 kindly asks GERAN2 to re-consider the solution where the UE applies ASN.1 coding to Cell/GRA Update messages defined in 44.118. Alternatively, the ASN.1 coding could be applied to all messages defined in 44.118.”

TSG GERAN has been informing RAN2 about the ongoing work on Iur-g and changes that would be needed, already in September 2002.

The work on Iur-g has been completed long time ago in all relevant 3GPP working groups, but RAN2. The remaining CR is the CR to 25.331 (R2-031709), which is enabling the use of Iur-g interface as specified.

It is worth noting that the need for the UTRAN SRNS to perform decoding of CSN.1 coded Cell/GRA Update messages defined in 44.118 arises only in cases of interworking with GERAN Iu mode via Iur-g and not in other cases.

In the RAN2 LS to GERAN the reasons for not agreeing the CR to 25.331 in R2-021709 are only that it is too late for Release 5 for UTRAN. At the same time RAN2 is asking GERAN to change GERAN Rel-5 specifications.

Proposed way forward

As GERAN being the group in charge with the Stage 2 as well as foreseen to be more impacted with the requested change than the TSG RAN specifications, it is suggested that issues is asked to be revisited in GERAN and that companies having now different views in different working groups are invited to participate to the discussions in GERAN and that TSS RAN WG2 is to be informed of the outcome and .is to be tasked to follow the decision of the GERAN on the issue. This ensures that the issue is solved in single place and the chain of sending liaison statements back and forth is finalised.

Alternatively the technically correct CR for inter-RAT cell reselection in R2-021709 (attached) could be approved if the concerns raised in the last TSG RAN WG2 are not considered causing a problem for a particular implementation anymore.

CHANGE REQUEST

25.331 CR CRNum # rev - # Current version: **5.5.0**

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Proposed change affects: UICC apps# ME Radio Access Network Core Network

Title:	# Cell reselection between UTRAN and GERAN Iu mode		
Source:	# Nokia		
Work item code:	# TEI5	Date:	# 12/08/2003
Category:	# F	Release:	# Rel-5
	<i>Use one of the following categories:</i> F (correction) A (corresponds to a correction in an earlier release) B (addition of feature), C (functional modification of feature) D (editorial modification) Detailed explanations of the above categories can be found in 3GPP TR 21.900 .		<i>Use one of the following releases:</i> 2 (GSM Phase 2) R96 (Release 1996) R97 (Release 1997) R98 (Release 1998) R99 (Release 1999) Rel-4 (Release 4) Rel-5 (Release 5) Rel-6 (Release 6)

Reason for change:	# Inter-RAT cell reselection between GERAN Iu mode and UTRAN is not specified.		
Summary of change:	# - RLC HFN mapping rule for SRB2 is defined because of the different length RLC sequence numbers in UTRAN and GERAN (GPRS and EGPRS). - Certain variables need to be internally transferred inside the UE/MS during inter-RAT cell reselection. The list of variables is added. - Use of U-RNTI and G-RNTI is clarified.		
Consequences if not approved:	# Wrong behaviour at the MS and network side in case of inter-RAT cell reselection from UTRAN to GERAN Iu mode and vice versa.		

Clauses affected:	# 3.2, 8.3.8.2a, 8.3.8.3a, 8.3.9.2a, 10.2.8										
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3 Definitions and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the terms and definitions given in [1] apply.

3.2 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the following abbreviations apply:

ACK	Acknowledgement
AICH	Acquisition Indicator CHannel
AM	Acknowledged Mode
AS	Access Stratum
ASC	Access Service Class
ASN.1	Abstract Syntax Notation.1
BCCH	Broadcast Control Channel
BCFE	Broadcast Control Functional Entity
BER	Bit Error Rate
BLER	BLock Error Rate
BSS	Base Station Sub-system
CCCH	Common Control Channel
CCPCH	Common Control Physical CHannel
CH	Conditional on history
CM	Connection Management
CN	Core Network
CPCH	Common Packet CHannel
C-RNTI	Cell RNTI
CTCH	Common Traffic CHannel
CTFC	Calculated Transport Format Combination
CV	Conditional on value
DCA	Dynamic Channel Allocation
DCCH	Dedicated Control Channel
DCFE	Dedicated Control Functional Entity
DCH	Dedicated Channel
DC-SAP	Dedicated Control SAP
DGPS	Differential Global Positioning System
DL	Downlink
DRAC	Dynamic Resource Allocation Control
DSCH	Downlink Shared Channel
DTCH	Dedicated Traffic Channel
FACH	Forward Access Channel
FDD	Frequency Division Duplex
GC-SAP	General Control SAP
<u>GERAN</u>	<u>GSM/EDGE Radio Access Network</u>
<u>GRA</u>	<u>GERAN Registration Area</u>
<u>G-RNTI</u>	<u>GERAN Radio Network Temporary Identity</u>
HCS	Hierarchical Cell Structure
HFN	Hyper Frame Number
H-RNTI	HS-DSCH RNTI
HS-DSCH	High Speed Downlink Shared Channel
ID	Identifier
IDNNS	Intra Domain NAS Node Selector
IE	Information element
IETF	Internet Engineering Task Force
IMEI	International Mobile Equipment Identity
IMSI	International Mobile Subscriber Identity
IP	Internet Protocol
ISCP	Interference on Signal Code Power
L1	Layer 1
L2	Layer 2
L3	Layer 3
LAI	Location Area Identity
MAC	Media Access Control
MCC	Mobile Country Code
MD	Mandatory default
MM	Mobility Management
MNC	Mobile Network Code

MP	Mandatory present
NACC	Network Assisted Cell Change
NAS	Non Access Stratum
Nt-SAP	Notification SAP
NW	Network
OP	Optional
PCCH	Paging Control Channel
PCH	Paging Channel
PDCP	Packet Data Convergence Protocol
PDSCH	Physical Downlink Shared Channel
PDU	Protocol Data Unit
PLMN	Public Land Mobile Network
PNFE	Paging and Notification Control Functional Entity
PRACH	Physical Random Access CHannel
PSI	Packet System Information
P-TMSI	Packet Temporary Mobile Subscriber Identity
PUSCH	Physical Uplink Shared Channel
QoS	Quality of Service
RAB	Radio access bearer
RACH	Random Access CHannel
RAI	Routing Area Identity
RAT	Radio Access Technology
RB	Radio Bearer
RFE	Routing Functional Entity
RL	Radio Link
RLC	Radio Link Control
RNC	Radio Network Controller
RNTI	Radio Network Temporary Identifier
RRC	Radio Resource Control
RSCP	Received Signal Code Power
RSSI	Received Signal Strength Indicator
SAP	Service Access Point
SCFE	Shared Control Function Entity
SCTD	Space Code Transmit Diversity
SF	Spreading Factor
SHCCH	Shared Control Channel
SI	System Information
SIR	Signal to Interference Ratio
S-RNTI	SRNC - RNTI
SSDT	Site Selection Diversity Transmission
TDD	Time Division Duplex
TF	Transport Format
TFCS	Transport Format Combination Set
TFS	Transport Format Set
TM	Transparent Mode
TME	Transfer Mode Entity
TMSI	Temporary Mobile Subscriber Identity
Tr	Transparent
Tx	Transmission
UE	User Equipment
UL	Uplink
UM	Unacknowledged Mode
URA	UTRAN Registration Area
U-RNTI	UTRAN-RNTI
USCH	Uplink Shared Channel
UTRAN	Universal Terrestrial Radio Access Network

8.3.8 Inter-RAT cell reselection to UTRAN

8.3.8.1 General

The purpose of the inter-RAT cell reselection procedure to UTRAN is to transfer, under the control of the UE and to some extent the source radio access technology, a connection between the UE and another radio access technology (e.g. GSM/GPRS, but not UTRAN) to UTRAN.

8.3.8.2 Initiation

When the UE makes an inter-RAT cell reselection to UTRAN according to the criteria specified in [4], it shall initiate this procedure. The inter-RAT cell reselection made by the UE may use system information broadcast from the source radio access technology or UE dedicated information.

If the NAS procedures associated with inter-system change specified in [5] require the establishment of an RRC connection, the UE shall:

- 1> set the variable ESTABLISHMENT_CAUSE to "Inter-RAT cell reselection";

NOTE: This value of ESTABLISHMENT_CAUSE has priority over the cause requested by upper layers.

- 1> initiate an RRC connection establishment procedure as specified in subclause 8.1.3;

- 1> after initiating an RRC connection establishment:

- 2> release all resources specific to the other radio access technology.

If the NAS procedures associated with inter-system change specified in [5] do not require the establishment of an RRC connection, the UE shall:

- 1> enter idle mode in the target cell without accessing the cell; and

- 1> release all resources specific to the other radio access technology.

8.3.8.2a Initiation of inter-RAT cell reselection from GERAN *Iu mode*

When the UE performs an inter-RAT cell reselection from GERAN *Iu mode* Cell_Shared state, the UE shall:

- 1> initiate the cell update procedure as specified for the cell reselection case in CELL_FACH and CELL_PCH states, using the cause "cell reselection" and setting the G-RNTI in the IE "U-RNTI".

When the UE performs an inter-RAT cell reselection from GERAN *Iu mode* GRA_PCH state, the UE shall:

- 1> compare the GRA identity which the MS had been assigned to in GERAN against the URA identities which are broadcast in the UTRAN cell.

- 1> If the assigned GRA identity is not present in the list of URA identities that are broadcast in the UTRAN cell:

- 2> initiate the URA update procedure as specified for the URA reselection case in URA_PCH state, using the cause "change of URA" and setting the G-RNTI in the IE "U-RNTI".

The UE shall:

- 1> set the following variables equal to the corresponding variables in GERAN *Iu mode*:

CIPHERING_STATUS

ESTABLISHED_RABS

ESTABLISHED_SIGNALLING_CONNECTIONS

INTEGRITY_PROTECTION_INFO

INTER_RAT_HANDOVER_INFO_TRANSFERRED

LATEST_CONFIGURED_CN_DOMAIN

START_THRESHOLD

UE_CAPABILITY_TRANSFERRED.

- 1> set the new uplink and downlink HFN of RB2 to $MSB_{20}(MAX(\text{uplink HFN of RB2, downlink HFN of RB2}))$.

NOTE: $MSB_{20}()$ operation provides the HFN mapping from GERAN *Iu mode* to UTRAN. In GERAN *Iu mode* the length of HFN component of the COUNT-C of RB2 is longer than 20 bits.

- 1> initialise the variable TIMERS_AND_CONSTANTS to the default values and start to use those timer and constants values;

8.3.8.3 UE fails to complete an inter-RAT cell reselection

If the inter-RAT cell reselection fails before the UE has initiated the RRC connection establishment the UE may return back to the other radio access technology.

If the RRC connection establishment fails, the UE shall enter idle mode.

8.3.8.3a UE fails to complete an inter-RAT cell reselection from GERAN *Iu mode*

When the UE performs an inter-RAT cell reselection from GERAN *Iu mode* to UTRAN, and the cell reselection fails:

1> the UE may return back to the GERAN *Iu mode* state from which it initiated the inter-RAT cell reselection.

8.3.9 Inter-RAT cell reselection from UTRAN

8.3.9.1 General

The purpose of the inter-RAT cell reselection procedure from UTRAN is to transfer, under the control of the UE and to some extent the UTRAN, a connection between the UE and UTRAN to another radio access technology (e.g. GSM/GPRS).

8.3.9.2 Initiation

This procedure is applicable in states CELL_FACH, CELL_PCH or URA_PCH.

When the UE based on received system information makes a cell reselection to a radio access technology other than UTRAN, e.g. GSM/GPRS, according to the criteria specified in [4], the UE shall:

1> If the NAS procedures associated with inter-system change specified in [5] require the establishment of a connection:

2> initiate the establishment of a connection to the target radio access technology according to its specifications.

8.3.9.2a Initiation of inter-RAT cell reselection to GERAN *Iu mode*

When the UE in CELL_PCH or CELL_FACH state performs an inter-RAT cell reselection to GERAN *Iu mode*, according to the criteria specified in [4], the UE shall:

1> initiate the cell update procedure according to 3GPP TS 44.118 [53], setting the U-RNTI in the IE "G-RNTI".

When the UE in URA_PCH state performs an inter-RAT cell reselection to GERAN *Iu mode*, according to the criteria specified in [4], the UE shall:

1> compare the URA identity which the UE had been assigned to in UTRAN against the GRA identities which are broadcast in the GERAN cell.

1> If the assigned URA identity is not present in the list of GRA identities that are broadcast in the GERAN cell:

2> initiate the GRA update procedure as specified in 3GPP TS 44.118 [53], setting the U-RNTI in the IE "G-RNTI".

8.3.9.3 Successful cell reselection

When the UE has succeeded in reselecting a cell in the target radio access technology, the UE shall:

1> release all UTRAN specific resources.

UTRAN should:

1> release all UE dedicated resources upon indication that the UE has completed a connection establishment to the other radio access technology.

8.3.9.4 UE fails to complete an inter-RAT cell reselection

If the inter-RAT cell reselection fails, the UE shall:

1> resume the connection to UTRAN using the resources used before initiating the inter-RAT cell reselection procedure.

10.2.8 CELL UPDATE CONFIRM

This message confirms the cell update procedure and can be used to reallocate new RNTI information for the UE valid in the new cell.

RLC-SAP: UM

Logical channel: CCCH or DCCH

Direction: UTRAN→UE

Information Element/Group name	Need	Multi	Type and reference	Semantics description	Version
Message Type	MP		Message Type		
UE Information Elements					
U-RNTI	CV-CCCH		U-RNTI 10.3.3.47		
RRC transaction identifier	MP		RRC transaction identifier 10.3.3.36		
Integrity check info	CH		Integrity check info 10.3.3.16		
Integrity protection mode info	OP		Integrity protection mode info 10.3.3.19	The UTRAN should not include this IE unless it is performing an SRNS relocation or a cell reselection from GERAN lu mode	
Ciphering mode info	OP		Ciphering mode info 10.3.3.5	The UTRAN should not include this IE unless it is performing either an SRNS relocation or a cell reselection from GERAN lu mode and a change in ciphering algorithm.	
Activation time	MD		Activation time 10.3.3.1	Default value is "now"	
New U-RNTI	OP		U-RNTI 10.3.3.47		
New C-RNTI	OP		C-RNTI 10.3.3.8		
New DSCH-RNTI	OP		DSCH-RNTI 10.3.3.9a		
New H-RNTI	OP		H-RNTI 10.3.3.14a		REL-5
RRC State Indicator	MP		RRC State Indicator 10.3.3.10		
UTRAN DRX cycle length coefficient	OP		UTRAN DRX cycle length coefficient 10.3.3.49		
RLC re-establish indicator (RB2, RB3 and RB4)	MP		RLC re-establish indicator 10.3.3.35		
RLC re-establish indicator (RB5 and upwards)	MP		RLC re-establish indicator 10.3.3.35		
CN Information Elements					
CN Information info	OP		CN Information info 10.3.1.3		

Information Element/Group name	Need	Multi	Type and reference	Semantics description	Version
UTRAN Information Elements					
URA identity	OP		URA identity 10.3.2.6		
RB information elements					
RB information to release list	OP	1 to <maxRB>			
>RB information to release	MP		RB information to release 10.3.4.19		
RB information to reconfigure list	OP	1 to <maxRB>			
>RB information to reconfigure	MP		RB information to reconfigure 10.3.4.18		
RB information to be affected list	OP	1 to <maxRB>			
>RB information to be affected	MP		RB information to be affected 10.3.4.17		
Downlink counter synchronisation info	OP				
>RB with PDCP information list	OP	1 to <maxRBall RABs>			
>>RB with PDCP information	MP		RB with PDCP information 10.3.4.22	This IE is needed for each RB having PDCP in the case of lossless SRNS relocation	
	OP				REL-5
>>PDCP context relocation info	OP		PDCP context relocation info 10.3.4.1a	This IE is needed for each RB having PDCP and performing PDCP context relocation	REL-5
TrCH Information Elements					
Uplink transport channels					
UL Transport channel information common for all transport channels	OP		UL Transport channel information common for all transport channels 10.3.5.24		
Deleted TrCH information list	OP	1 to <maxTrCH >			
>Deleted UL TrCH information	MP		Deleted UL TrCH information 10.3.5.5		
Added or Reconfigured TrCH information list	OP	1 to <maxTrCH >			
>Added or Reconfigured UL TrCH information	MP		Added or Reconfigure d UL TrCH information 10.3.5.2		
CHOICE <i>mode</i>	MP				
>FDD					
>>CPCH set ID	OP		CPCH set ID 10.3.5.3		

Information Element/Group name	Need	Multi	Type and reference	Semantics description	Version
>>Added or Reconfigured TrCH information for DRAC list	OP	1 to <maxTrCH >			
>>>DRAC static information	MP		DRAC static information 10.3.5.7		
>TDD				(no data)	
Downlink transport channels					
DL Transport channel information common for all transport channels	OP		DL Transport channel information common for all transport channels 10.3.5.6		
Deleted TrCH information list	OP	1 to <maxTrCH >			
>Deleted DL TrCH information	MP		Deleted DL TrCH information 10.3.5.4		
Added or Reconfigured TrCH information list	OP	1 to <maxTrCH >			
>Added or Reconfigured DL TrCH information	MP		Added or Reconfigured DL TrCH information 10.3.5.1		
PhyCH information elements					
Frequency info	OP		Frequency info 10.3.6.36		
Uplink radio resources					
Maximum allowed UL TX power	MD		Maximum allowed UL TX power 10.3.6.39	Default value is the existing maximum UL TX power	
<i>CHOICE channel requirement</i>					
>Uplink DPCH info			Uplink DPCH info 10.3.6.88.		
>CPCH SET Info			CPCH SET Info 10.3.6.13		
Downlink radio resources					
<i>CHOICE mode</i>					
>FDD	MP				
>>Downlink PDSCH information	OP		Downlink PDSCH information 10.3.6.30		
>TDD				(no data)	
Downlink HS-PDSCH Information	OP		Downlink HS_PDSCH Information 10.3.6.23a		REL-5
Downlink information common for all radio links	OP		Downlink information common for all radio links 10.3.6.24		
Downlink information per radio link list	OP	1 to <maxRL>		Send downlink information for each radio link to be set-up	
>Downlink information for each radio link	MP		Downlink information		

Information Element/Group name	Need	Multi	Type and reference	Semantics description	Version
			for each radio link 10.3.6.27		

Condition	Explanation
<i>CCCH</i>	This IE is mandatory present when CCCH is used and ciphering is not required and not needed otherwise.