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| ***Title:***  | (NR\_RRM\_enh-Core) CR on multiple SCell activation in FR2\_R16 |
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| ***Source to WG:*** | ZTE Corporation, Sanechips |
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|  | *Use one of the following categories:****F*** *(correction)****A*** *(mirror corresponding to a change in an earlier release)****B*** *(addition of feature),* ***C*** *(functional modification of feature)****D*** *(editorial modification)*Detailed explanations of the above categories canbe found in 3GPP [TR 21.900](http://www.3gpp.org/ftp/Specs/html-info/21900.htm). | *Use one of the following releases:Rel-8 (Release 8)Rel-9 (Release 9)Rel-10 (Release 10)Rel-11 (Release 11)…Rel-17 (Release 17)Rel-18 (Release 18)Rel-19 (Release 19) Rel-20 (Release 20)* |
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| ***Reason for change:*** | The condition of the reduction of multiple SCell activation procedure for FR1 and FR2 is different. For FR1, a contiguous active serving cell in the same band can be referred to. While for FR2, an active serving cell in the same band can be referred to, not need contiguous. So we revise this point for FR2. |
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| ***Summary of change:*** | Revise the condition of the reduction of multiple SCell activation procedure for FR2, as long as the reference cell is an active serving cell in the same band, no need contiguous to the to-be-activated SCell.  |
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| ***Consequences if not approved:*** | Incorrect for FR2 multiple SCell activation |
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| ***Clauses affected:*** | 8.3.7 |
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|  | **Y** | **N** |  |  |
| ***Other specs*** |  | **X** |  Other core specifications  | TS/TR ... CR ...  |
| ***affected:*** | **X** |  |  Test specifications | TS 38.533 |
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| ***This CR's revision history:*** |  |

# <Start of Change #1>

### 8.3.7 SCell Activation Delay Requirement for Deactivated SCell with Multiple Downlink SCells

The requirements in this clause shall apply for the UE configured with more than one downlink SCells.

In EN-DC, NE-DC, standalone NR carrier aggregation, or in one CG of NR-DC, the requirements in this clause shall apply when the following conditions are met:

- UE only receives one single MAC command for multiple SCell activation within the activation period defined in this clause

- in each single CG, there are no other SCell activation, deactivation, addition or release before activation is completed for all the SCells activated by the single MAC CE in this clause, and

- in EN-DC and NE-DC, there are no E-UTRAN SCell activation, deactivation, addition or release before multiple SCell activation is completed in this clause, and

- any to-be-activated unknown SCell has active serving cell(s) or known to-be-activated SCell(s) on the same band

In two CGs of NR-DC, the requirements in this clause shall apply when the following conditions are met:

- UE receives one MAC command per CG for multiple SCell activation within the activation period defined in this clause, and

- UE supports per-FR measurement gap capability, and

- any to-be-activated unknown SCell has active serving cell(s) or known to-be-activated SCell(s) on the same band

The delay within which the UE shall be able to activate the deactivated SCell with other downlink to-be-activated SCell(s) depends upon the specified conditions.

Upon receiving SCell activation command in slot *n* for more than one SCell, for each of the to-be-activated SCell, the UE shall be capable to transmit valid CSI report and apply actions related to the activation command for the SCell being activated no later than in slot $n+\frac{T\_{HARQ}+T\_{activation\\_time\\_multiple\\_scells}+T\_{CSI\\_Reporting}}{NR slot lengtℎ}$, where:

 THARQ (in ms) is the timing between DL data transmission and acknowledgement as specified in TS 38.213 [3]

 Tactivation\_time\_multiple\_scells is the target SCell activation delay in millisecond in multiple SCell activation scenario.

 If the SCell is known and belongs to FR1 and the measurement period of the SCell being activated is equal to or smaller than [2400ms], Tactivation\_time\_multiple\_scells is:

- TFirstSSB\_MAX\_multiple\_scells + Trs + 5ms, if on the same band UE also has at least one parallel to-be-activated SCell which is FR1 known Scell with the measurement period larger than [2400ms] but does not have any parallel to-be-activated SCell which is FR1 unknown SCell.

- TFirstSSB\_MAX\_multiple\_scells + TSMTC\_MAX\_multiple\_scells + Trs + 5ms, if on the same band UE also has at least one parallel to-be-activated SCell which is FR1 unknown Scell

- otherwise, TFirstSSB\_MAX\_multiple\_scells + 5ms.

 If the SCell is known and belongs to FR1 and the measurement period of the SCell being activated is larger than [2400ms], Tactivation\_time\_multiple\_scells is:

- TFirstSSB\_MAX\_multiple\_scells + TSMTC\_MAX\_multiple\_scells + Trs + 5ms, if on the same band UE also has at least one parallel to-be-activated SCell which is FR1 unknown Scell

- otherwise, TFirstSSB\_MAX\_multiple\_scells + Trs + 5ms

 If the SCell is unknown and belongs to FR1, provided that the side condition Ês/Iot ≥ -2dB is fulfilled, Tactivation\_time\_multiple\_scells is:

- TFirstSSB\_MAX\_multiple\_scells + TSMTC\_MAX\_multiple\_scells+Trs +5ms, if the SCell is not counted in N1

- The activation delay may be longer if SSB is not in the same half-frame on the SCell and the contiguous FR1 known cell or contiguous FR1 active serving cell

 otherwise

- if the following conditions are met

- ‘ssb-PositionInBurst’ indicates only one SSB is being actually transmitted, or

- ‘ssb-PositionInBurst’ indicates multiple SSBs and TCI indication is provided in same MAC PDU with SCell activation,

Tactivation\_time\_multiple\_scells is:

- TFirstSSB\_MAX\_multiple\_scells + TSMTC\_MAX\_multiple\_scells+Trs\*N1 +Trs +5ms,

Otherwise:

Tactivation\_time\_multiple\_scells is:

- 6ms + TFirstSSB\_MAX\_multiple\_scells + TSMTC\_MAX\_multiple\_scells + Trs\*N1 + TL1-RSRP,measure + TL1-RSRP,report + THARQ + max(Tuncertainty\_MAC\_multiple\_scells + TFineTiming + 2ms, Tuncertainty\_SP\_multiple\_scells), if semi-persistent CSI-RS is used for CSI reporting,

- 3ms + TFirstSSB\_MAX\_multiple\_scells + TSMTC\_MAX\_multiple\_scells + Trs\*N1 + TL1-RSRP,measure + TL1-RSRP,report + max(THARQ + Tuncertainty\_MAC\_multiple\_scells + 5ms + TFineTiming, Tuncertainty\_RRC\_multiple\_scells + TRRC\_delay), if periodic CSI-RS is used for CSI reporting.

 If the SCell being activated belongs to FR1 and if there is at least one active serving cell contiguous to the SCell on that FR1 band, if the UE is not provided with SSB configuration (*absoluteFrequencySSB*) nor SMTC configuration for the target SCell, Tactivation\_time\_multiple\_scells is same as single SCell activation delay requirement as defined in clause 8.3.2.

 If the SCell being activated belongs to FR2 and if there is at least one active serving cell on that FR2 band, then Tactivation\_time\_multiple\_scells is same as single SCell activation delay requirement as defined in clause 8.3.2.

 If the SCell being activated belongs to FR2 and if there is no active serving cell on that FR2 band provided that PCell or PSCell is FR1:

 If the target SCell is known to UE and semi-persistent CSI-RS is used for CSI reporting, then Tactivation\_time\_multiple\_scells is same as single SCell activation delay requirement as defined in clause 8.3.2.

 If the target SCell is known to UE and periodic CSI-RS is used for CSI reporting, then Tactivation\_time\_multiple\_scells is same as single SCell activation delay requirement as defined in clause 8.3.2.

 If the target SCell is unknown to UE and semi-persistent CSI-RS is used for CSI reporting, provided that the side condition Ês/Iot ≥ -2dB is fulfilled, then Tactivation\_time\_multiple\_scells is:

- 3 ms + max(Tuncertainty\_MAC\_multiple\_scells +TFineTiming + 2ms, Tuncertainty\_SP\_multiple\_scells), if on the same band UE also has at least one parallel to-be-activated SCell which is FR2 known Scell. Tuncertainty\_MAC\_multiple\_scells =0 and Tuncertainty\_SP\_multiple\_scells =0 if UE receives the SCell activation command, semi-persistent CSI-RS activation command and TCI state activation commands at the same time.

 If the target SCell is unknown to UE and periodic CSI-RS is used for CSI reporting, provided that the side condition Ês/Iot ≥ -2dB is fulfilled, then Tactivation\_time\_multiple\_scells is:

- max(Tuncertainty\_MAC\_multiple\_scells + 5ms + TFineTiming, Tuncertainty\_RRC\_multiple\_scells + TRRC\_delay-THARQ), if on the same band UE also has at least one parallel to-be-activated SCell which is FR2 known Scell . Tuncertainty\_MAC\_multiple\_scells =0 if UE receives the SCell activation command and TCI state activation commands at the same time.

 The requirements for FR2 unknown SCells apply provided that the parameter *ssb-PositionsInBurst* is same for the SCell and the known serving cell on the same FR2 band. The activation delay FR2 unknown SCell may be longer if SSB is not in the same half-frame on the SCell and the FR2 known cell on the same band.

 Where,

 N1 is the number counting for parallel FR1 unknown to-be-activated SCell(s) only except the ones which fulfilled the following conditions:

- contiguous to an active serving cell in the same band, or to a known SCell in the same band being activated by the same MAC PDU, and

- A single SSB is used in the unknown SCell; or multiple SSBs are used in the unknown SCell and TCI state indication for PDCCH is provided by the same MAC PDU used for SCell activation; and

- its *ssb-PositionInBurst* is same as the one of contiguous FR1 known cell or contiguous FR1 active serving cell, and

- its RTD with contiguous FR1 known cell or contiguous FR1 active serving cell is smaller than or equal to 260ns and its reception power difference with contiguous FR1 known cell or contiguous FR1 active serving cell is smaller than or equal to 6dB, and

- its SMTC offset is same as the one of contiguous FR1 known cell or contiguous FR1 active serving cell

 However, when the following conditions are fulfilled, no activation requirement will be applied for this unknown SCell and other SCells being activated and counted in N1:

- contiguous to an active serving cell in the same band, or to a known SCell in the same band being activated by the same MAC PDU, and

- A single SSB is used in the unknown SCell; or multiple SSBs are used in the unknown SCell and TCI state indication for PDCCH is provided by the same MAC PDU used for SCell activation; and

- its *ssb-PositionInBurst* is same as the one of FR1 known cell or FR1 active serving cell, and

- its RTD with contiguous FR1 known cell or contiguous FR1 active serving cell is larger than 260ns or its reception power difference with contiguous FR1 known cell or contiguous FR1 active serving cell is larger than 6dB, and

- its SMTC offset is same as the one of FR1 known cell or FR1 active serving cell

 TSMTC\_MAX\_multiple\_scells:

- In FR1, in case of intra-band SCell activation, TSMTC\_MAX\_multiple\_scells is the longest SMTC periodicity between active serving cells and SCells being activated on the same band provided the cell specific reference signals from the active serving cells and the SCells being activated or released are available in the same slot; in case of inter-band SCell activation, TSMTC\_MAX\_multiple\_scells is the longest SMTC periodicity of SCells being activated on the same band.

- In FR2, TSMTC\_MAX\_multiple\_scells is the longest SMTC periodicity between active serving cells and SCell(s) being activated in FR2 intra-band CA.

- TSMTC\_MAX\_multiple\_scells is bounded to a minimum value of 10ms.

 TFirstSSB\_MAX\_multiple\_scells: is the time to the end of the first complete SSB burst indicated by the SMTC after slot n + $\frac{T\_{HARQ}+3ms}{NR slot lengtℎ}$, further fulfilling:

- In FR1, in case of intra-band SCell activation, the occasion when all active serving cells and SCells being activated or released are transmitting SSB bursts in the same slot; in case of inter-band SCell activation, the first occasion when the SCells being activated are transmitting SSB burst.

- In FR2, the occasion when all active serving cells and SCells being activated or released are transmitting SSB bursts in the same slot.

 Tuncertainty\_MAC\_multiple\_scells is the time period between reception of the activation command for PDCCH TCI, PDSCH TCI (when applicable) and SCell activation command of this unknown SCell.

 Tuncertainty\_SP\_multiple\_scells is the time period between reception of the activation command for semi-persistent CSI-RS resource set for CQI reporting and SCell activation command of this unknown SCell.

 Tuncertainty\_RRC\_multiple\_scells is the time period between reception of the RRC configuration message for TCI of periodic CSI-RS for CQI reporting (when applicable) and SCell activation command of this unknown SCell.

 Trs, TFineTiming, and TRRC\_delay is defined in clause 8.3.2.

 Longer delays for RRM measurement requirements, and in case of FR2 also SSB based RLM/BFD/CBD/L1-RSRP measurement requirements, can be expected during the cell detection time for unknown SCell activation.

The condition of known SCell in FR1 or FR2 is defined in clause 8.3.2.

If the UE has been provided with higher layer in TS 38.331 [2] signaling of *smtc2*prior to the activation command, TSMTC\_Scell follows *smtc1* or *smtc2* according to the physical cell ID of the target cell being activated. TSMTC\_MAX\_multiple\_scell follows *smtc1* or *smtc2* according to the physical cell IDs of the target cells being activated and the active serving cells.

The starting point and the end-point of an interruption window on PCell or any activated SCell in MCG for NR standalone mode, or on PSCell or any activated SCell in SCG for EN-DC mode is same as single SCell activation requirement in clause 8.3.2.

Upon receiving SCell activation command in slot *n,* if the start of the first complete SSB used in the *TX* in the different bands which have SCells being activated after *n*+$\frac{T\_{HARQ}+3ms}{NR slot lengtℎ}$ are not aligned on time domain among

- SCells in different bands being activated by the same MAC CE if UE does not support per FR gap, or

- SCells in different FR1 bands being activated by the same MAC CE if UE supports per FR gap,

additional interruptions may be expected for the activated serving cells, where

- The number of additional interruptions is no more than the number of FR1 bands which have both SCell being activated for which the activation requirements involve *TFirstSSB\_MAX* *multiple\_scells* with *Trs* and the active serving cell, and

- In each interruption occasion, the interruption length is defined in clause 8.2.2.2.2, and

- Longer activation delay may be expected for multiple SCell activation under one MAC CE with multiple interruptions, and

- *TX* is:

- *TFirstSSB*, for any scenario where *Tactivation\_time* *multiple\_scells*includes *TFirstSSB*;

- *TFirstSSB\_MAX* *multiple\_scells*, for any scenario where *Tactivation\_time* *multiple\_scells*includes *TFirstSSB\_MAX* *multiple\_scells*;

- *Tuncertainty\_MAC+TFineTiming* or *Tuncertainty\_MAC* *multiple\_scells+TFineTiming*, for any scenario where *Tactivation\_time* *multiple\_scells*includes *TFineTiming*.

Otherwise, no additional interruption is expected due to activation of multiple SCells.

Starting from slot *n* + THARQ + 3 ms where slot *n* is the slot where SCell activation command is received (as specified in clause 4.3 of TS 38.213 [3]) and until the SCell activation completion at UE, after at least one CSI-RS transmission occasion for the channel measurement and reporting (specified in clause 5.2.2.5 of TS 38.214 [26]), the UE shall report out of range if the UE has available uplink resources to report CQI for the SCell.

Starting from the slot specified in clause 4.3 of TS 38.213 [3] (timing for secondary Cell activation/deactivation) and until the UE has completed a first L1-RSRP measurement, the UE shall report lowest valid L1 SS-RSRP range if the UE has available uplink resources to report L1-RSRP for the SCell.

# <End of Change #1>