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| **CHANGE REQUEST** | | | | | | | | |
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|  | **38.331** | **CR** | **2574** | **rev** | **-** | **Current version:** | **16.4.1** |  |
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| ***Proposed change affects:*** | UICC apps |  | ME |  | Radio Access Network | **X** | Core Network |  |

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| ***Title:*** | Correction for the positioning SI offset and clarification on mapping of posSIB to SI | | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Source to WG:*** | Ericsson, Apple | | | | | | | | | |
| ***Source to TSG:*** | R2 | | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Work item code:*** | NR\_pos-Core | | | | |  | ***Date:*** | | | 2021-04-19 |
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| ***Category:*** | **F** |  | | | | | ***Release:*** | | | Rel-16 |
|  | *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 can be 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-12 (Release 12)* *Rel-13 (Release 13) Rel-14 (Release 14) Rel-15 (Release 15) Rel-16 (Release 16)* | |
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| ***Reason for change:*** | | Change 1  Currently in RRC specification, the below description has been captured for SIBs.  - The mapping of SIBs to SI messages is configured in *schedulingInfoList*, while the mapping of posSIBs to SI messages is configured in *pos-SchedulingInfoList.* Each SIB is contained only in a single SI message and each SIB and posSIB is contained at most once in that SI message;  It is not clear as why posSIBs have not been included to specify that each posSIB is contained only in a single SI message. Thus, some clarification is needed as why posSIBs has this exception.  A single posSIB type might be used several times in the system; for instance, a system might support multiple GNSS constellations, and send posSibType1-x for each of the constellations separately.  Thus, there is no any restriction against sending the same posSIB in different SI messages for this case.  This is also why the PosSIB-Type-r16 structure includes gnss-id-r16, so that the UE can distinguish which instance of the posSIB corresponds to which GNSS constellation. Further, it is also possible to map an encrypted version of posSIB in one SI and non-encrypted version in another SI.  Change 2 Editorial correction: missing semi-colon is addedChange 3It has been agreed in RAN2#107 that “ The 80ms offset for posSI scheduling in LTE is reused in NR”. In LTE, the usage of 80ms offset is configured as a parameter under SIB1, as shown in TS 36.331:  The IE “si-posOffset-r15” controls the whole posSchedulingInfoList in LTE SIB1. However, in current TS 38.331, the “OffsetToSI-used” IE is configured per each SI message in NR SIB1. This means that for a pos-SchedulingInfoList, the two methods to schedule positioning SI (w/ or w/ offset) may be allowed to both be used and mixed. As a result some posSI messages are appended to the end of legacy SI, and some other posSI message use the 80ms offset.According to the current specification, this will not work because the calculation of SI-window x according to formula in 5.2.2.3.2 below will be wrong: 2> else if the concerned SI message is configured by the *posSchedulingInfoList* and *offsetToSI-Used* is configured:  3> determine the number *m* which corresponds to the number of SI messages with an associated *si-Periodicity* of 8 radio frames (80 ms), configured by *schedulingInfoList* in *SIB1*;  3> for the concerned SI message, determine the number *n* which corresponds to the order of entry in the list of SI messages configured by *posSchedulingInfoList* in *SIB1*;  3> determine the integer value *x* = *m* *× w +* (*n* – 1*)* *× w*, where *w* is the *si-WindowLength*  3> the SI-window starts at the slot #*a*, where *a* = *x* mod N, in the radio frame for which SFN mod *T* = FLOOR(*x*/N) +8, where *T* is the *posSI-Periodicity* of the concerned SI message and N is the number of slots in a radio frame as specified in TS 38.213 [13]; Based upon email discussion in R2-, it was clear that the offsetToSI-Used should be applicable for all SIs. The mixed usage of offset per SI message is not the intention of the RAN2#107 agreement and shall not be allowed. Whether to use 80ms offset or not shall be configured per the whole posSI scheduling list, not per each element. | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Summary of change:*** | | 1 Add the clarification that a posSIB can be mapped to mutiple SI message.  2. Add missing semi-colon.  3. Changed the field description of “offsetToSI-Used” to empasize that all the SI messages in the posSchedulingInfoList need to be configured with the same value*.*    **Impact analysis**  Impacted architecture options: NR Positioning  Impacted functionality: posSIB mapping to SI and posSI scheduling  Inter-operability:  No inter-operability issue foreseen. This is to add clairification to avoid any misunderstanding on how posSIBs can be mapped and how posSI start occurence are determined. | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Consequences if not approved:*** | | NW misconfiguration may occur so that UE will not be able to read posSI according to SIB1.  It will not be clear as why posSIBs can be mapped to multiple SI. | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Clauses affected:*** | | 5.2.1, 5.2.2.3.2, 6.3.1a | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Other specs*** | |  | **X** | Other core specifications | | | | TS/TR ... CR ... | | |
| ***affected:*** | |  | **X** | Test specifications | | | | TS/TR ... CR ... | | |
| ***(show related CRs)*** | |  | **X** | O&M Specifications | | | | TS/TR ... CR ... | | |
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| ***Other comments:*** | | This CR is merged based upon contributions R2-2103849 and R2-2103919 | | | | | | | | |
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| ***This CR's revision history:*** | |  | | | | | | | | |

*First Change*

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## 5.2 System information

### 5.2.1 Introduction

System Information (SI) is divided into the *MIB* and a number of SIBs and posSIBs where:

- the *MIB* is always transmitted on the BCH with a periodicity of 80 ms and repetitions made within 80 ms (TS 38.212 [17], clause 7.1) and it includes parameters that are needed to acquire *SIB1* from the cell. The first transmission of the *MIB* is scheduled in subframes as defined in TS 38.213 [13], clause 4.1 and repetitions are scheduled according to the period of SSB;

- the *SIB1* is transmitted on the DL-SCH with a periodicity of 160 ms and variable transmission repetition periodicity within 160 ms as specified in TS 38.213 [13], clause 13. The default transmission repetition periodicity of *SIB1* is 20 ms but the actual transmission repetition periodicity is up to network implementation. For SSB and CORESET multiplexing pattern 1, *SIB1* repetition transmission period is 20 ms. For SSB and CORESET multiplexing pattern 2/3, *SIB1* transmission repetition period is the same as the SSB period (TS 38.213 [13], clause 13). *SIB1* includes information regarding the availability and scheduling (e.g. mapping of SIBs to SI message, periodicity, SI-window size) of other SIBs with an indication whether one or more SIBs are only provided on-demand and, in that case, the configuration needed by the UE to perform the SI request. *SIB1* is cell-specific SIB;

- SIBs other than *SIB1* and posSIBs are carried in *SystemInformation* (SI) messages, which are transmitted on the DL-SCH. Only SIBs or posSIBs having the same periodicity can be mapped to the same SI message. SIBs and posSIBs are mapped to the different SI messages. Each SI message is transmitted within periodically occurring time domain windows (referred to as SI-windows with same length for all SI messages). Each SI message is associated with an SI-window and the SI-windows of different SI messages do not overlap. That is, within one SI-window only the corresponding SI message is transmitted. An SI message may be transmitted a number of times within the SI-window. Any SIB or posSIB except *SIB1* can be configured to be cell specific or area specific, using an indication in *SIB1*. The cell specific SIB is applicable only within a cell that provides the SIB while the area specific SIB is applicable within an area referred to as SI area, which consists of one or several cells and is identified by s*ystemInformationAreaID*;

- The mapping of SIBs to SI messages is configured in *schedulingInfoList*, while the mapping of posSIBs to SI messages is configured in *posSchedulingInfoList.* Each SIB is contained only in a single SI message. In the case of posSIB, a posSIB carrying GNSS Generic Assistance Data for different GNSS/SBAS is contained in different SI messages. Each SIB and posSIB, including a posSIB carrying GNSS Generic Assistance Data for one GNSS/SBAS, is contained at most once in that SI message;

- For a UE in RRC\_CONNECTED, the network can provide system information through dedicated signalling using the *RRCReconfiguration* message, e.g. if the UE has an active BWP with no common search space configured to monitor system information, paging, or upon request from the UE.

- For PSCell and SCells, the network provides the required SI by dedicated signalling, i.e. within an *RRCReconfiguration* message. Nevertheless, the UE shall acquire *MIB* of the PSCell to get SFN timing of the SCG (which may be different from MCG). Upon change of relevant SI for SCell, the network releases and adds the concerned SCell. For PSCell, the required SI can only be changed with Reconfiguration with Sync.

NOTE: The physical layer imposes a limit to the maximum size a SIB can take. The maximum *SIB1* or *SI message* size is 2976 bits.

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##### 5.2.2.3.2 Acquisition of an SI message

For SI message acquisition PDCCH monitoring occasion(s) are determined according to *searchSpaceOtherSystemInformation*. If *searchSpaceOtherSystemInformation* is set to zero, PDCCH monitoring occasions for SI message reception in SI-window are same as PDCCH monitoring occasions for *SIB1* where the mapping between PDCCH monitoring occasions and SSBs is specified in TS 38.213[13]. If *searchSpaceOtherSystemInformation* is not set to zero, PDCCH monitoring occasions for SI message are determined based on search space indicated by *searchSpaceOtherSystemInformation*. PDCCH monitoring occasions for SI message which are not overlapping with UL symbols (determined according to *tdd-UL-DL-ConfigurationCommon*) are sequentially numbered from one in the SI window. The [x×N+K]th PDCCH monitoring occasion (s) for SI message in SI-window corresponds to the Kth transmitted SSB, where x = 0, 1, ...X-1, K = 1, 2, …N, N is the number of actual transmitted SSBs determined according to *ssb-PositionsInBurst* in *SIB1* and X is equal to CEIL(number of PDCCH monitoring occasions in SI-window/N). The actual transmitted SSBs are sequentially numbered from one in ascending order of their SSB indexes. The UE assumes that, in the SI window, PDCCH for an SI message is transmitted in at least one PDCCH monitoring occasion corresponding to each transmitted SSB and thus the selection of SSB for the reception SI messages is up to UE implementation.

When acquiring an SI message, the UE shall:

1> determine the start of the SI-window for the concerned SI message as follows:

2> if the concerned SI message is configured in the *schedulingInfoList*:

3> for the concerned SI message, determine the number *n* which corresponds to the order of entry in the list of SI messages configured by *schedulingInfoList* in *si-SchedulingInfo* in *SIB1*;

3> determine the integer value *x = (n – 1) × w*, where *w* is the *si-WindowLength*;

3> the SI-window starts at the slot #*a*, where *a* = *x* mod N, in the radio frame for which SFN mod *T* = FLOOR(*x*/N), where *T* is the *si-Periodicity* of the concerned SI message and N is the number of slots in a radio frame as specified in TS 38.213 [13];

2> else if the concerned SI message is configured in the *posSchedulingInfoList* and *offsetToSI-Used* is not configured:

3> create a concatenated list of SI messages by appending the *posSchedulingInfoList* in *posSI-SchedulingInfo* in *SIB1* to *schedulingInfoList* in *si-SchedulingInfo* in *SIB1*;

3> for the concerned SI message, determine the number *n* which corresponds to the order of entry in the concatenated list;

3> determine the integer value *x = (n – 1) × w*, where *w* is the *si-WindowLength*;

3> the SI-window starts at the slot #*a*, where *a* = *x* mod N, in the radio frame for which SFN mod *T* = FLOOR(*x*/N), where *T* is the *posSI-Periodicity* of the concerned SI message and N is the number of slots in a radio frame as specified in TS 38.213 [13];

2> else if the concerned SI message is configured by the *posSchedulingInfoList* and *offsetToSI-Used* is configured:

3> determine the number *m* which corresponds to the number of SI messages with an associated *si-Periodicity* of 8 radio frames (80 ms), configured by *schedulingInfoList* in *SIB1*;

3> for the concerned SI message, determine the number *n* which corresponds to the order of entry in the list of SI messages configured by *posSchedulingInfoList* in *SIB1*;

3> determine the integer value *x* = *m* *× w +* (*n* – 1*)* *× w*, where *w* is the *si-WindowLength*;

3> the SI-window starts at the slot #*a*, where *a* = *x* mod N, in the radio frame for which SFN mod *T* = FLOOR(*x*/N) +8, where *T* is the *posSI-Periodicity* of the concerned SI message and N is the number of slots in a radio frame as specified in TS 38.213 [13];

1> receive the PDCCH containing the scheduling RNTI, i.e. SI-RNTI in the PDCCH monitoring occasion(s) for SI message acquisition, from the start of the SI-window and continue until the end of the SI-window whose absolute length in time is given by *si-WindowLength*, or until the SI message was received;

1> if the SI message was not received by the end of the SI-window, repeat reception at the next SI-window occasion for the concerned SI message in the current modification period;

NOTE 1: The UE is only required to acquire broadcasted SI message if the UE can acquire it without disrupting unicast data reception, i.e. the broadcast and unicast beams are quasi co-located.

NOTE 2: The UE is not required to monitor PDCCH monitoring occasion(s) corresponding to each transmitted SSB in SI-window.

NOTE 3: If the concerned SI message was not received in the current modification period, handling of SI message acquisition is left to UE implementation.

NOTE 4: A UE in RRC\_CONNECTED may stop the PDCCH monitoring during the SI window for the concerned SI message when the requested SIB(s) are acquired.

NOTE 5: A UE capable of NR sidelink communication and configured by upper layers to perform NR sidelink communication on a frequency, may acquire *SIB12* from a cell other than current serving cell (for RRC\_INACTIVE or RRC\_IDLE) or current PCell (for RRC\_CONNECTED), if *SIB12* of current serving cell (for RRC\_INACTIVE or RRC\_IDLE) or current PCell (for RRC\_CONNECTED) does not provide configuration for NR sidelink communication for the frequency, and if the other cell providing configuration for NR sidelink communication for the frequency meets the S-criteria as defined in TS 38.304 [20] and TS 36.304 [27].

1> perform the actions for the acquired SI message as specified in sub-clause 5.2.2.4.

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#### 6.3.1a Positioning System information blocks

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#### – *PosSI-SchedulingInfo*

-- ASN1START

-- TAG-POSSI-SCHEDULINGINFO-START

PosSI-SchedulingInfo-r16 ::= SEQUENCE {

posSchedulingInfoList-r16 SEQUENCE (SIZE (1..maxSI-Message)) OF PosSchedulingInfo-r16,

posSI-RequestConfig-r16 SI-RequestConfig OPTIONAL, -- Cond MSG-1

posSI-RequestConfigSUL-r16 SI-RequestConfig OPTIONAL, -- Cond SUL-MSG-1

...

}

PosSchedulingInfo-r16 ::= SEQUENCE {

offsetToSI-Used-r16 ENUMERATED {true} OPTIONAL, -- Need R

posSI-Periodicity-r16 ENUMERATED {rf8, rf16, rf32, rf64, rf128, rf256, rf512},

posSI-BroadcastStatus-r16 ENUMERATED {broadcasting, notBroadcasting},

posSIB-MappingInfo-r16 PosSIB-MappingInfo-r16,

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}

PosSIB-MappingInfo-r16 ::= SEQUENCE (SIZE (1..maxSIB)) OF PosSIB-Type-r16

PosSIB-Type-r16 ::= SEQUENCE {

encrypted-r16 ENUMERATED { true } OPTIONAL, -- Need R

gnss-id-r16 GNSS-ID-r16 OPTIONAL, -- Need R

sbas-id-r16 SBAS-ID-r16 OPTIONAL, -- Need R

posSibType-r16 ENUMERATED { posSibType1-1, posSibType1-2, posSibType1-3, posSibType1-4, posSibType1-5, posSibType1-6,

posSibType1-7, posSibType1-8, posSibType2-1, posSibType2-2, posSibType2-3, posSibType2-4,

posSibType2-5, posSibType2-6, posSibType2-7, posSibType2-8, posSibType2-9, posSibType2-10,

posSibType2-11, posSibType2-12, posSibType2-13, posSibType2-14, posSibType2-15,

posSibType2-16, posSibType2-17, posSibType2-18, posSibType2-19, posSibType2-20,

posSibType2-21, posSibType2-22, posSibType2-23, posSibType3-1, posSibType4-1,

posSibType5-1,posSibType6-1, posSibType6-2, posSibType6-3,... },

areaScope-r16 ENUMERATED {true} OPTIONAL -- Need S

}

GNSS-ID-r16 ::= SEQUENCE {

gnss-id-r16 ENUMERATED{gps, sbas, qzss, galileo, glonass, bds, ...},

...

}

SBAS-ID-r16 ::= SEQUENCE {

sbas-id-r16 ENUMERATED { waas, egnos, msas, gagan, ...},

...

}

-- TAG-POSSI-SCHEDULINGINFO-STOP

-- ASN1STOP

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| *PosSI-SchedulingInfo* field descriptions |
| ***areaScope***  Indicates that a posSIB is area specific. If the field is absent, the posSIB is cell specific. |
| ***encrypted***  The presence of this field indicates that the *pos-sib-type* is encrypted as specified in TS 37.355 [49]. |
| ***gnss-id***  The presence of this field indicates that the positioning SIB type is for a specific GNSS. Indicates a specific GNSS (see also TS 37.355 [49]) |
| ***posSI-BroadcastStatus***  Indicates if the SI message is being broadcasted or not. Change of *posSI-BroadcastStat*us should not result in system information change notifications in Short Message transmitted with P-RNTI over DCI (see clause 6.5). The value of the indication is valid until the end of the BCCH modification period when set to *broadcasting*. |
| ***posSI-RequestConfig***  Configuration of Msg1 resources that the UE uses for requesting SI-messages for which *posSI-BroadcastStatus* is set to notBroadcasting. |
| ***posSI-RequestConfigSUL***  Configuration of Msg1 resources that the UE uses for requesting SI-messages for which *posSI-BroadcastStatus* is set to notBroadcasting. |
| ***posSIB-MappingInfo***  List of the posSIBs mapped to this *SystemInformation* message. |
| ***posSibType***  The positioning SIB type is defined in TS 37.355 [49]. |
| ***posSI-Periodicity***  Periodicity of the SI-message in radio frames, such that rf8 denotes 8 radio frames, rf16 denotes 16 radio frames, and so on. If the *offsetToSI-Used* is configured, the *posSI-Periodicity* of rf8 cannot be used. |
| ***offsetToSI-Used***  This field, if present indicates that all the SI messages in *posSchedulingInfoList* are scheduled with an offset of 8 radio frames compared to SI messages in *schedulingInfoList*. *offsetToSI-Used* may be present only if the shortest configured SI message periodicity for SI messages in *schedulingInfoList* is 80ms. If SI offset is used, this field is present in each of the SI messages in the *posSchedulingInfoList*. |
| ***sbas-id***  The presence of this field indicates that the positioning SIB type is for a specific SBAS. Indicates a specific SBAS (see also TS 37.355 [49]). |

| Conditional presence | Explanation |
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| *MSG-1* | The field is optionally present, Need R, if *posSI-BroadcastStatus* is set to *notBroadcasting* for any SI-message included in *PosSchedulingInfo*. It is absent otherwise. |
| *SUL-MSG-1* | The field is optionally present, Need R, if *supplementaryUplink* is configured in *ServingCellConfigCommonSIB* and if *posSI-BroadcastStatus* is set to *notBroadcasting* for any SI-message included in *PosSchedulingInfo*. It is absent otherwise. |

*End of Changes*