**3GPP TSG-RAN2 Meeting #116bis Electronic  R2-220xxxx**

**– 25th January 2022**

**Source: Samsung**

**Title: Summary of [AT116bis-e][057][ePowSav] PDCCH Skip (Samsung)**

**Document for: Report and Decision**

**Agenda Item: 8.9.2.4**

# Introduction

This document summarizes the following email discussion.

* [AT116bis-e][057][ePowSav] PDCCH Skip (Samsung)

Scope: Treat R2-220200, R2-2200187, R2-2201222. Collect comments

Intended outcome: Report, with potential agreements for online CB (and-or Open Issues, can be captured offline).

Deadline: Tue W2, for online CB

Deadline for comments: 22:00 UTC, 24th January

# Contact Points

Respondents to the email discussion are kindly asked to fill in the following table.

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# Discussion

RAN1 has discussed PDCCH monitoring adaptation in RRC\_CONNECTED. According to RAN1, PDCCH monitoring adaptation by SSSG switching and PDCCH skipping for a duration is supported.

# PDCCH skipping and SR

According to [1], if the UE has received PDCCH skipping indication and scheduling request (SR) is triggered for BSR (Buffer status report) or BFR (beam failure recovery) or consistent LBT failure and SR is transmitted over PUCCH, UL grant (scheduled by PDCCH) is delayed due to skipping duration. To overcome the issue, it is proposed that PDCCH skipping is cancelled if the PDCCH skipping duration overlaps with SR pending duration.

According to [2], in legacy, UE can perform UL transmission regardless of its DRX state. At end of that UL transmission, UE enters DRX active time because it needs to monitor PDCCH for network’s response. For example, UE may transmit scheduling request (SR) in the middle of DRX off time. As long as that SR is pending, UE monitors PDCCH in anticipation of UL grant from network. It is proposed that UE should ignore PDCCH skipping as long as the SR is still pending.

**Q1. Do companies agree that UE ignores PDCCH skipping (i.e. PDCCH skipping is cancelled) while the SR is pending?**

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3.2 PDCCH skipping and Random access

According to [1], Skipping duration can also overlap with a) RAR/MsgB reception window or b) duration when contention resolution timer is running which may result in missing PDCCH for RAR/MsgB or Msg3 retransmission or Msg4. To overcome the issue, it is proposed that PDCCH skipping is cancelled if the PDCCH skipping duration overlaps with RAR/MsgB window. PDCCH skipping is cancelled if the PDCCH skipping duration overlaps with duration while contention resolution timer is running. Similarly, [2] proposes that UE should ignore PDCCH skipping as long as it is within a RAR window or a MsgB response window or as long as contention resolution timer is running.

**Q2. Do companies agree that UE ignores PDCCH skipping (i.e. PDCCH skipping is cancelled) during the RAR/MsgB window?**

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**Q3. Do companies agree that UE ignores PDCCH skipping (i.e. PDCCH skipping is cancelled) while contention resolution timer is running?**

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* 1. PDCCH skipping and HARQ

In [2] it is proposed UE should ignore PDCCH skipping as long as UL HARQ reTx timer is running

**Q4. Do companies agree that UE ignores PDCCH skipping (i.e. PDCCH skipping is cancelled) while UL HARQ reTx timer is running?**

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* 1. PDCCH skipping and CSI/SRS transmissions

According to [2],

* If network tells UE to skip PDCCH monitor for a period of time, UE will not expect to be scheduled with DL assignment or UL grant during the skipped duration. However, periodic or semi-persistent CSI (P/SP-CSI) or periodic or semi-persistent SRS transmission would continue. If the skipped duration is not too long (e.g. comparable with the periodicity of CSI or SRS), CSI and SRS transmissions are still useful, because they can give network the latest channel measurements and help network make scheduling decisions once PDCCH skipping ends. However, if the skipped duration is long (e.g. longer than several transmission occasions of CSI or SRS), it is wasteful for UE to continue transmitting CSI or SRS during the skipped duration. It is more efficient if network can configure a threshold on PDCCH skipping duration over which UE is allowed to either skip or relax its periodic or semi-persistent CSI or SRS transmissions.

**Q5. Do companies agree that Network can configure a threshold on PDCCH skipping duration over which UE may skip and relax its periodic or semi-persistent CSI or SRS transmissions?**

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* 1. PDCCH skipping and DCP

According to [2],

* In legacy, UE is not required to monitor a DCP occasion during DRX active time. But since UE does not monitor PDCCH during PDCCH skipping, it is worth discussing whether UE should monitor DCP occasions during skipping. If a skipping duration is short, it is not power efficient for UE to have extra wakeup during skipping and monitor DCP, because UE soon will resume PDCCH monitoring anyway. On the other hand, if a skipping duration is long (e.g. comparable with a DRX cycle or even longer), then it makes sense for UE to monitor a DCP occasion, in case of there are new data arrival. Therefore, DCP monitoring during PDCCH skipping should also be made conditional on the length of the skipping duration.

**Q6. Do companies agree that Network can configure a threshold on PDCCH skipping duration over which UE monitors DCP occasions during PDCCH skipping?**

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According to [3], in Rel-17, the DCP can be skipped by the DCI based power saving, that is, the DCP for the corresponding DRX period cannot be received from lower layer in the skipping period. It is proposed to reuse the *ps-Wakeup* to indicate whether the UE should start the *drx-onDurationTimer* when the corresponding DCP is skipped due to PDCCH skipping or SSSG switch. No specification change is needed.

**Q7. Do companies agree to reuse the *ps-Wakeup* to indicate whether the UE should start the *drx-onDurationTimer* when the corresponding DCP is skipped due to PDCCH skipping or SSSG switch. No specification change is needed?**

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* 1. SSSG Switching

In [2], it is proposed that network can configure which SSSG UE shall use when it starts DRX on duration or activates a new BWP (including the first active DL BWP of a newly activated SCell). If the configuration is absent, UE uses the default SSSG. Network can always use DCI to switch UE to the best SSSG upon state transition, but it certainly comes with extra signaling cost and longer scheduling delay (e.g. in case the default SSSG is in use before a state transition, it takes longer to UE to get the switching DCI).

**Q8. Do companies agree that network can configure which SSSG UE shall use when it starts DRX on duration or activates a new BWP (including the first active DL BWP of a newly activated SCell). If the configuration is absent, UE uses the default SSSG?**

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* 1. Assistance Information

According to [2], UE should be allowed to indicate its preferred configurations/parameters for adaptive PDCCH monitoring. More specifically, UE should be allowed to request its preferred set of PDCCH skipping duration(s) and SSSG switch timer via UE Assistance Information. It is proposed that, UE can request its preferred skipping duration(s) and SSSG switch timer via UE Assistance Information.

**Q9. Do companies agree that UE can request its preferred skipping duration(s) and SSSG switch timer via UE Assistance Information?**

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# Conclusion

**TBD**

# Reference

[1] R2-2200200, PDCCH Skipping in RRC\_CONNECTED Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd discussion

[2] R2-2200187, Enhancements for adaptive PDCCH monitoring Qualcomm Incorporated discussion

[3] R2-2201222, Initial Discussion on DCI based Power Saving ZTE Corporation,Sanechips