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| ***Proposed change affects:*** | UICC apps |  | ME | **X** | Radio Access Network | **X** | Core Network |  |

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| ***Title:***  | 38306CR for UE capability of supporting UL Tx switching |
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| ***Source to WG:*** | China Telecom |
| ***Source to TSG:*** | R2  |
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| ***Work item code:*** | NR\_RF\_FR1 |  | ***Date:*** | 2020-05-21 |
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| ***Category:*** | **B** |  | ***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 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-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:*** | In RAN#85 meeting, the following objective was added in the revised WID of “RF requirements for NR frequency range 1”:* *Specify UE requirements to allow switching between case 1 and case 2 as below for two uplink carriers case inter-band EN-DC without SUL, inter-band UL CA and standalone SUL for UE supporting maximum two concurrent transmission*

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| *Case 1*  | *1 Tx on carrier 1 and 1 Tx on carrier 2* |
| *Case 2*  | *0 Tx on carrier 1 and 2 Tx on carrier 2*  |

In RAN4#93 meeting, it is agreed that UE capability to support Tx switching between two uplink carriers should be per pair of uplink bands per UL band combination.In RAN4#94e, the follow agreements on the length of UL switching period have been reached. • Length of UL switching period for defining UE RF requirements and capability reporting:– For SUL and UL CA• {35us, 140 us, 210us} – For EN-DC• {35us, 140 us}In RAN4#94e, the follow agreements on DL interruption have been reached. * The following duplex mode combinations (carrier 1 + carrier 2) do not require DL interruption:
	+ SUL+TDD
	+ TDD+TDD CA with the same UL-DL pattern
	+ TDD+TDD EN-DC with the same UL-DL pattern

In RAN4#94e-bis, the follow agreements on DL interruption related UE capability have been reached. * Introduce UE capability to indicate DL interruption is needed for duplex mode combinations except the above combinations agreed in RAN4#94e not requiring DL interruption
* UE capability is defined as per band per band combination for each band pair supporting UL Tx switching
* For the band where DL interruption is needed, the RRM interruption requirements defined in RAN4 shall be applied
* Whether to allow DL interruption for each band combination can be discussed later in RAN4 after the signaling for DL interruption is defined.

In RAN1 #100b-e, for uplink Tx switching the following agreements on inter-band UL CA have been reached:For inter-band UL CA, if UE reports via capability signaling to support uplink Tx switching, UE further reports via capability signaling which option (between Option 1 and Option 2) is supported.­        Option 1: If uplink Tx switching is configured, UE is not expected to be scheduled or configured with UL transmission on carrier 2 for case 1.

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|   | Number of **Tx chains** in WID (carrier 1 + carrier 2) | Number of **antenna ports** for UL transmission (carrier 1 + carrier 2) |
| Case 1 | 1T+1T | 1P+0P |
| Case 2 | 0T+2T | 0P+2P, 0P+1P  |

 ­        Option 2: If uplink Tx switching is configured, UE can be scheduled or configured with UL transmission on both carrier 1 and carrier 2 for case 1.o    UE can be scheduled or configured with UL transmission on either carrier 1 or carrier 2.o    UE can be scheduled or configured with UL transmission on both carrier 1 and carrier 2 simultaneously.

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|   | Number of **Tx chains** in WID (carrier 1 + carrier 2) | Number of **antenna ports** for UL transmission (carrier 1 + carrier 2) |
| Case 1 | 1T+1T | 1P+0P, 1P+1P, 0P+1P |
| Case 2 | 0T+2T | 0P+2P, 0P+1P |

RAN1/4 asks RAN2 to consider above UE capabilities and RRC signalling in the signalling structure for Tx switching between two uplink carriers. |
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| ***Summary of change:*** | 1. Introduce the UE capability of UL Tx switching period.
2. Introduce the UL Tx switching specific band combination.
3. Introduce the UE capability of DL interruption during UL Tx switching.
4. Introduce the UE capability of supporting switchedUL(option 1 in RAN1) or dualUL(option2) in inter-band UL CA
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| ***Consequences if not approved:*** | The uplink Tx switching between uplink carriers is not supported. |
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| ***Clauses affected:*** | 4.2.7.1, 4.2.7.11 |
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|  | **Y** | **N** |  |  |
| ***Other specs*** | **X** |  |  Other core specifications  | TS 38.331 CR ... |
| ***affected:*** |  | **X** |  Test specifications | TS/TR ... CR ...  |
| ***(show related CRs)*** |  | **X** |  O&M Specifications | TS/TR ... CR ...  |
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| ***Other comments:*** |   |
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| ***This CR's revision history:*** |  |

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#### 4.2.7.1 *BandCombinationList* parameters

| Definitions for parameters | Per | M | FDD-TDDDIFF | FR1-FR2DIFF |
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| ***bandEUTRA***Defines supported EUTRA frequency band by NR frequency band number, as specified in TS 36.101 [14]. | Band | Yes | No | No |
| ***bandList***Each entry of the list should include at least one bandwidth class for UL or DL. | BC | Yes | No | No |
| ***bandNR***Defines supported NR frequency band by NR frequency band number, as specified in TS 38.101-1 [2] and TS 38.101-2 [3]. | Band | Yes | No | No |
| ***ca-BandwidthClassDL-EUTRA***Defines for DL, the class defined by the aggregated transmission bandwidth configuration and maximum number of component carriers supported by the UE, as specified in TS 36.101 [14]. When all FeatureSetEUTRA-DownlinkId:s in the corresponding FeatureSetsPerBand are zero, this field is absent. | Band | No | No | No |
| ***ca-BandwidthClassDL-NR***Defines for DL, the class defined by the aggregated transmission bandwidth configuration and maximum number of component carriers supported by the UE, as specified in TS 38.101-1 [2] and TS 38.101-2 [3]. When all FeatureSetDownlinkId:s in the corresponding FeatureSetsPerBand are zero, this field is absent. | Band | No | No | No |
| ***ca-BandwidthClassUL-EUTRA***Defines for UL, the class defined by the aggregated transmission bandwidth configuration and maximum number of component carriers supported by the UE, as specified in TS 36.101 [14]. When all FeatureSetEUTRA-UplinkId:s in the corresponding FeatureSetsPerBand are zero, this field is absent. | Band | No | No | No |
| ***ca-BandwidthClassUL-NR***Defines for UL, the class defined by the aggregated transmission bandwidth configuration and maximum number of component carriers supported by the UE, as specified in TS 38.101-1 [2] and TS 38.101-2 [3]. When all FeatureSetUplinkId:s in the corresponding FeatureSetsPerBand are zero, this field is absent. | Band | No | No | No |
| ***ca-ParametersEUTRA***Contains the EUTRA part of band combination parameters for a given EN-DC band combination. | BC | No | No | No |
| ***ca-ParametersNR***Contains the NR band combination parameters for a given EN-DC and/or NR CA band combination. | BC | No | No | No |
| ***ca-ParametersNRDC***Indicates whether the UE supports NR-DC for the band combination. It contains the NR band combination parameters applicable across MCG and SCG. | BC | No | No | No |
| ***featureSetCombination***Indicates the feature set that the UE supports on the NR and/or MR-DC band combination by FeatureSetCombinationId. | BC | N/A | No | No |
| ***mrdc-Parameters***Contains the band combination parameters for a given EN-DC band combination. | BC | No | No | No |
| ***ne-DC-BC***Indicates whether the UE supports NE-DC for the band combination. | BC | No | No | No |
| ***powerClass***Indicates power class the UE supports when operating according to this band combination. If the field is absent, the UE supports the default power class. If this power class is higher than the power class that the UE supports on the individual bands of this band combination (*ue-PowerClass* in *BandNR*), the latter determines maximum TX power available in each band. The UE sets the power class parameter only in band combinations with two FR1 uplink serving cells. | BC | No | No | FR1 only |
| ***SRS-SwitchingTimeNR***Indicates the interruption time on DL/UL reception within a NR band pair during the RF retuning for switching between a carrier on one band and another (PUSCH-less) carrier on the other band to transmit SRS. *switchingTimeDL/ switchingTimeUL*:n0us represents 0 us, n30us represents 30us, and so on. *switchingTimeDL/ switchingTimeUL* is mandatory present if switching between the NR band pair is supported, otherwise the field is absent. It is signalled per pair of bands per band combination. | FD | No | No | No |
| ***SRS-SwitchingTimeEUTRA***Indicates the interruption time on DL/UL reception within a EUTRA band pair during the RF retuning for switching between a carrier on one band and another (PUSCH-less) carrier on the other band to transmit SRS. *switchingTimeDL/ switchingTimeUL:* n0 represents 0 OFDM symbols, n0dot5 represents 0.5 OFDM symbols, n1 represents 1 OFDM symbol and so on. *switchingTimeDL/ switchingTimeUL* is mandatory present if switching between the EUTRA band pair is supported, otherwise the field is absent. It is signalled per pair of bands per band combination. | FD | No | No | No |
| ***srs-TxSwitch***Defines whether UE supports SRS for DL CSI acquisition as defined in clause 6.2.1.2 of TS 38.214 [12]. The capability signalling comprises of the following parameters:- *supportedSRS-TxPortSwitch* indicates SRS Tx port switching pattern supported by the UE, which is mandatory with capability signaling. The indicated UE antenna switching capability of ′xTyR′ corresponds to a UE, capable of SRS transmission on ′x′ antenna ports over total of ′y′ antennas, where ′y′ corresponds to all or subset of UE receive antennas, where 2T4R is two pairs of antennas. *supportedSRS-TxPortSwitch-r16*, which is optional to report, indicates downgrading configuration of SRS Tx port switching pattern. If the UE indicates the support of downgrading configuration of SRS Tx port switching pattern using *supportedSRS-TxPortSwitch-r16*, the UE shall report the values for this as below, based on what is reported in *supportedSRS-TxPortSwitch*.

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| *supportedSRS-TxPortSwitch* | *supportedSRS-TxPortSwitch-r16* |
| *t1r2* | *t1r1-t1r2* |
| *t1r4* | *t1r1-t1r2-t1r4* |
| *t2r4* | *t1r1-t1r2-t2r2-t2r4* |
| *t2r2* | *t1r1-t2r2* |
| *t4r4* | *t1r1-t2r2-t4r4* |
| *t1r4-t2r4* | *t1r1-t1r2-t2r2-t1r4-t2r4* |

- *txSwitchImpactToRx* indicates the entry number of the first-listed band with UL in the band combination that affects this DL, which is mandatory with capability signaling;- *txSwitchWithAnotherBand* indicates the entry number of the first-listed band with UL in the band combination that switches together with this UL, which is mandatory with capability signaling.For *txSwitchImpactToRx* and *txSwitchWithAnotherBand*, value 1 means first entry, value 2 means second entry and so on. All DL and UL that switch together indicate the same entry number.The UE is restricted not to include fallback band combinations for the purpose of indicating different SRS antenna switching capabilities. | BC | FD | No | No |
| ***supportedBandwidthCombinationSet***Defines the supported bandwidth combination for the band combination set as defined in the TS 38.101-1 [2], TS 38.101-2 [3] and TS 38.101-3 [4]. For NR SA CA, NR-DC, inter-band EN-DC without intra-band EN-DC component and intra-band EN-DC with additional inter-band NR CA component, the field defines the bandwidth combinations for the NR part of the band combination. For intra-band EN-DC without additional inter-band NR and LTE CA component, the field indicates the supported bandwidth combination set applicable to the NR and LTE band combinations. Field encoded as a bit map, where bit N is set to "1" if UE support Bandwidth Combination Set N for this band combination as defined in the TS 38.101-1 [2], TS 38.101-2 [3] and TS 38.101-3 [4]. The leading / leftmost bit (bit 0) corresponds to the Bandwidth Combination Set 0, the next bit corresponds to the Bandwidth Combination Set 1 and so on. It is mandatory if the band combination has more than one NR carrier (at least one SCell in an NR cell group) or is an intra-band EN-DC combination or both. | BC | CY | No | No |
| ***supportedBandwidthCombinationSetIntraENDC***Defines the supported bandwidth combination for the band combination set as defined in the TS 38.101-3 [4]. For intra-band EN-DC with additional inter-band CA component(s) of LTE and/or NR, the field defines the bandwidth combinations for the intra-band EN-DC component. Field encoded as a bit map, where bit N is set to "1" if UE support Bandwidth Combination Set N for this band combination as defined in the TS 38.101-3 [4]. The leading / leftmost bit (bit 0) corresponds to the Bandwidth Combination Set 0, the next bit corresponds to the Bandwidth Combination Set 1 and so on. It is mandatory if the band combination is an intra-band EN-DC combination with additional inter-band NR/LTE CA component. | BC | CY | No | No |
| ***ULTxSwitchingBandPair***Indicates UE supports dynamic UL Tx switching in case of inter-band CA, SUL, and EN-DC as defined in TS 38.214 [12], TS 38.101-1 [2] and TS 38.101-3 [4]. The capability signalling comprises of the following parameters:- *bandIndexUL1* and *bandIndexUL2* indicate the band pair on which UE supports dynamic UL Tx switching. *bandindexUL1*/*bandindexUL2* xx refers to the xxth band entry in the band combination.- *uplinkTxSwitchingPeriod* indicates the length of UL Tx switching period per pair of UL bands per band combination when UL Tx switching is configured, as specified in TS 38.101-1 [2] and TS 38.101-3 [4]. UE shall not report the value n210us for EN-DC band combinations. n35us represents 35 us, n140us represents 140us, and so on, as specified in TS 38.101-1 [2] and TS 38.101-3 [4].- *uplinkTxSwitching-DL-Interruption* indicates that DL interruption on the band will occur during uplink Tx switching, as specified in TS 38.133 [5] and in TS 36.133 [yy]. UE is not allowed to set this field for the following duplex mode combinations:* SUL+TDD
* TDD+TDD CA with the same UL-DL pattern
* TDD+TDD EN-DC with the same UL-DL pattern

Field encoded as a bit map, where bit N is set to "1" if DL interruption on band N will occur during uplink Tx switching as specified in TS 38.133 [5] and in TS 36.133 [yy]. The leading / leftmost bit (bit 0) corresponds to the band 1 of this band combination, the next bit corresponds to the band 2 of this band combination and so on. Absence of this field means no DL interruption for the band pair in the band combination. | BC | FD | No | FR1 only |
| ***uplinkTxSwitching-ULSupport*** Indicates which UL option is supported for inter-band UL CA and EN-DC case where UE supports uplink Tx switching. *switchedUL* represents option 1 as specified in TS 38.214 [12], *dualUL* represents option 2 as specified in TS 38.214 [12], *both* represents both option 1 and option2 as specified in TS 38.214 [12]. UE shall not report the value *both* for EN-DC case. The field is mandatory for inter-band UL CA and EN-DC case wher UE supports uplink Tx switching. | BC | CY | No | FR1 only |
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4.2.7.11 Other PHY parameters

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| ***appliedFreqBandListFilter***Mirrors the *FreqBandList* that the NW provided in the capability enquiry, if any. The UE filtered the band combinations in the *supportedBandCombinationList* in accordance with this *appliedFreqBandListFilter*. | UE | No | No | No |
| ***downlinkSetEUTRA***Indicates the features that the UE supports on the DL carriers corresponding to one EUTRA band entry in a band combination by FeatureSetEUTRA-DownlinkId. The FeatureSetEUTRA-DownlinkId = 0 means that the UE does not support a EUTRA DL carrier in this band of a band combination. | Band | N/A | No | No |
| ***downlinkSetNR***Indicates the features that the UE supports on the DL carriers corresponding to one NR band entry in a band combination by FeatureSetDownlinkId. The FeatureSetDownlinkId = 0 means that the UE does not support a DL carrier in this band of a band combination. A fallback per band feature set resulting from the reported DL feature set that has fallback per CC feature set is not signalled but the UE shall support it. | Band | N/A | No | No |
| ***featureSetCombinations***Pools of feature sets that the UE supports on the NR or MR-DC band combinations. | UE | N/A | No | No |
| ***featureSets***Pools of downlink and uplink features sets as well as a pool of FeatureSetCombination elements. A FeatureSetCombination refers to the IDs of the feature set(s) that the UE supports in that FeatureSetCombination. The BandCombination entries in the BandCombinationList then indicate the ID of the FeatureSetCombination that the UE supports for that band combination. | UE | N/A | No | No |
| ***naics-Capability-List***Indicates that UE in MR-DC supports NAICS as defined in TS 36.331 [17]. | UE | No | No | No |
| ***receivedFilters***Contains all filters requested with UE-CapabilityRequestFilterNR from version 15.6.0 onwards. | UE | No | No | No |
| ***supportedBandCombinationList***Defines the supported NR and/or MR-DC band combinations by the UE. For each band combination the UE identifies the associated feature set combination by featureSetCombinations index referring to featureSetCombination. A fallback band combination resulting from the reported CA and MR-DC band combination is not signalled but the UE shall support it. For intra-band non-contiguous CA band combinations, the UE only includes one band combination, and exclude the others for which the presence of uplink CA bandwidth class in the band combination entry is different. One band combination entry can also indicate support of any other possible permutations in the presence of uplink CA bandwidth class where a paired downlink CA bandwidth class is the same or where the number of UL CCs is smaller than the one of paired DL CCs expressed by the CA bandwidth class, as specified in TS 36.306 [15]. For these band combinations not included in the capability, the supported feature set is the same as the ones for the band combination included in the UE capability. | UE | Yes | No | No |
| ***supportedBandCombinationListNEDC-Only***Defines the supported NE-DC only type of band combinations by the UE. | UE | No | No | No |
| ***supportedBandCombinationList-UplinkTxSwitch***Defines the NR uplink inter-band UL CA, SUL and/or EN-DC band combinations where UE supports uplink Tx switching. UE only includes this field if requested by the network. A lower order band combination without support of UL Tx switching is not considered as fallback band combination of the parent band combination with support of UL Tx switching. For an uplink inter-band UL CA band combination that supports uplink Tx switching, the UE shall also support corresponding UL CA band combination in *supportedBandCombinationList*.  | UE | No | No | No |
| ***supportedBandListNR***Includes the supported NR bands as defined in TS 38.101-1 [2] and TS 38.101-2 [3]. | UE | Yes | No | No |
| ***uplinkSetEUTRA***Indicates the features that the UE supports on the UL carriers corresponding to one EUTRA band entry in a band combination by FeatureSetEUTRA-UplinkId. The FeatureSetUplinkId = 0 means that the UE does not support a UL carrier in this band of a band combination. | Band | N/A | No | No |
| ***uplinkSetNR***Indicates the features that the UE supports on the UL carriers corresponding to one NR band entry in a band combination by FeatureSetUplinkId. The FeatureSetUplinkId = 0 means that the UE does not support a UL carrier in this band of a band combination. A fallback per band feature set resulting from the reported UL feature set that has fallback per CC feature set is not signalled but the UE shall support it. | Band | N/A | No | No |

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