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# Introduction

Based on the worksplit agreed in [1] (Issue 3-3-2), in this contribution a TP to TS 38.108 section 3 is provided for approval.

TS 38.108 skeleton in [2] was used as the starting point.

The attached TP is the starting point to be updated with the other missing definitions and abbreviations; unused terms to be removed in the final version of the TS.

# Conclusions

**Proposal 1**: Approve the attached TP to TS 38.108.

# References

[1] R4-2203080 Way Forward on NTN\_solutions\_Part1, RAN4#101bis-e

[2] R4-2203087 Skeleton for TS 38.108 NR Satellite Access Node radio transmission and reception v0.0.1, RAN4#101bis-e

# Annex A: TP to TS 38.108

*------------------------------ Modified sections ------------------------------*

# 3 Definitions, symbols and abbreviations

## 3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the terms given in 3GPP TR 21.905 [1] and the following apply. A term defined in the present document takes precedence over the definition of the same term, if any, in 3GPP TR 21.905 [1].

**Active transmitter unit:** transmitter unit which is ON, and has the ability to send modulated data streams that are parallel and distinct to those sent from other transmitter units to one or more *SAN type 1-H* *TAB connectors* at the *transceiver array boundary*

**SAN RF Bandwidth**: RF bandwidth in which a SAN transmits and/or receives single or multiple carrier(s) within a supported *operating band*

NOTE: In single carrier operation, the *SAN RF Bandwidth* is equal to the *SAN channel bandwidth*.

**SAN RF Bandwidth edge:** frequency of one of the edges of the *SAN RF Bandwidth*.

**basic limit:** emissions limit relating to the power supplied by a single transmitter to a single antenna transmission line in ITU-R SM.329 [2] used for the formulation of unwanted emission requirements for FR1

**beam:** beam (of the antenna) is the main lobe of the radiation pattern of an *antenna array*

NOTE: For certain *antenna array*, there may be more than one beam.

**beam centre direction:** direction equal to the geometric centre of the half-power contour of the beam

**beam direction pair:** data set consisting of the *beam centre direction* and the related *beam peak direction*

**beam peak direction:** direction where the maximum EIRP is found

**beamwidth:** beam which has a half-power contour that is essentially elliptical, the half-power beamwidths in the two pattern cuts that respectively contain the major and minor axis of the ellipse

**SAN channel bandwidth**: RF bandwidth supporting a single NR RF carrier with the *transmission bandwidth* configured in the uplink or downlink

NOTE 1: The *SAN channel bandwidth* is measured in MHz and is used as a reference for transmitter and receiver RF requirements.

NOTE 2: It is possible for the SAN to transmit to and/or receive from one or more UE bandwidth parts that are smaller than or equal to the *SAN transmission bandwidth configuration*, in any part of the *SAN transmission bandwidth configuration*.

**SAN transmission bandwidth configuration**: set of resource blocks located within the *SAN channel bandwidth* which may be used for transmitting or receiving by the SAN

**Channel edge:** lowest or highest frequency of the NR carrier, separated by the *SAN channel bandwidth*.

**directional requirement:** requirement which is applied in a specific direction within the *OTA coverage range* for the Tx and when the AoA of the incident wave of a received signal is within the *OTA REFSENS RoAoA* or the *minSENS RoAoA* as appropriate for the receiver

**equivalent isotropic radiated power:** equivalent power radiated from an isotropic directivity device producing the same field intensity at a point of observation as the field intensity radiated in the direction of the same point of observation by the discussed device

NOTE: Isotropic directivity is equal in all directions (i.e. 0 dBi).

**equivalent isotropic sensitivity:** sensitivity for an isotropic directivity device equivalent to the sensitivity of the discussed device exposed to an incoming wave from a defined AoA

NOTE 1: The sensitivity is the minimum received power level at which specific requirement is met.

NOTE 2: Isotropic directivity is equal in all directions (i.e. 0 dBi).

**feeder link:** Wireless link between NTN-Gateway and satellite

**Geostationary Earth Orbit:** Circular orbit at 35,786 km above the Earth's equator and following the direction of the Earth's rotation. An object in such an orbit has an orbital period equal to the Earth's rotational period and thus appears motionless, at a fixed position in the sky, to ground observers.

**geosynchronous orbit:** Earth-centered orbit at approximately 35786 kilometres above Earth's surface and synchronised with Earth's rotation. A geostationary orbit is a non-inclined geosynchronous orbit, i.e. in the Earth’s equator plane.**Low Earth Orbit:** Orbit around the Earth with an altitude between 300 km, and 1500 km.

**Highest Carrier:** The carrier with the highest carrier frequency transmitted/received in a specified frequency band.

**Inter RF Bandwidth gap:** frequency gap between two consecutive *SAN RF Bandwidths* that are placed within two supported *operating bands*

**Lowest Carrier:** The carrier with the lowest carrier frequency transmitted/received in a specified frequency band.

**maximum carrier output power:** mean power level measured per carrier at the indicated interface, during the *transmitter ON period* in a specified reference condition

**maximum carrier TRP output power:** mean power level measured perRIB during the *transmitter ON period* for a specific carrier in a specified reference condition and corresponding to the declared *rated carrier TRP output* power (Prated,c,TRP)

**maximum total output power:** mean power level measured within the *operating band* at the indicated interface, during the *transmitter ON period* in a specified reference condition

**maximum total TRP output power:** mean power level measured perRIB during the *transmitter ON period* in a specified reference condition and corresponding to the declared *rated total TRP output* power (Prated,t,TRP)

**measurement bandwidth**: RF bandwidth in which an emission level is specified

**minSENS:** the lowest declared EIS value for the OSDD's declared for OTA sensitivity requirement.

**minSENS RoAoA:** The *reference RoAoA* associated with the OSDD with the lowest declared EIS

**minimum elevation angle**: Minimum angle under which the satellite or HAPS can be seen by a UE.

**non-geostationary satellites:** Satellites (LEO and MEO) orbiting around the Earth with a period that varies approximately between 1.5 hour and 10 hours. It is necessary to have a constellation of several Non-Geostationary satellites associated with handover mechanisms to ensure a service continuity.

**non-terrestrial networks:** Networks, or segments of networks, using an airborne or space-borne vehicle to embark a transmission equipment relay node or SAN.

**NTN-gateway:** An earth station or gateway is located at the surface of Earth, and providing sufficient RF power and RF sensitivity for accessing to the satellite (resp. HAPS).

**operating band:** frequency range in which NR operates (paired or unpaired), that is defined with a specific set of technical requirements

NOTE: The *operating band*(s) for a SAN is declared by the manufacturer according to the designations in tables 5.2-1 and 5.2-2.

**OTA coverage range**: a common range of directions within which TX OTA requirements that are neither specified in the *OTA peak directions sets* nor as *TRP requirement* are intended to be met

**OTA peak directions set:** set(s) of *beam peak directions* within which certain TX OTA requirements are intended to be met, where all *OTA peak directions set(s)* are subsets of the *OTA coverage range*

NOTE:     The *beam peak directions* are related to a corresponding contiguous range or discrete list of *beam centre directions*by the *beam direction pairs* included in the set.

**OTA REFSENS RoAoA:** the RoAoA determined by the contour defined by the points at which the achieved EIS is 3dB higher than the achieved EIS in the reference direction assuming that for any AoA, the receiver gain is optimized for that AoA

NOTE: This contour will be related to the average element/sub-array radiation pattern 3dB beamwidth.

**OTA sensitivity directions declaration:** set of manufacturer declarations comprising at least one set of declared minimum EIS values (with *SAN channel bandwidth*), and related directions over which the EIS applies

NOTE: All the directions apply to all the EIS values in an OSDD.

**polarization match:** condition that exists when a plane wave, incident upon an antenna from a given direction, has a polarization that is the same as the receiving polarization of the antenna in that direction

**radiated interface boundary**: *operating band* specific radiated requirements reference where the radiated requirements apply

NOTE: For requirements based on EIRP/EIS, the *radiated interface boundary* is associated to the far-field region

**Radio Bandwidth:** frequency difference between the upper edge of the highest used carrier and the lower edge of the lowest used carrier

**rated beam EIRP:** For a declared beam and *beam direction pair*, the *rated beam EIRP* level is the maximum power that the SAN is declared to radiate at the associated *beam peak direction* during the *transmitter ON period*

**rated carrier output power:** mean power level associated with a particular carrier the manufacturer has declared to be available at the indicated interface, during the *transmitter ON period* in a specified reference condition

**rated carrier TRP output power:** mean power level declared by the manufacturer per carrier, for SAN operating in single carrier, multi-carrier, or carrier aggregation configurations that the manufacturer has declared to be available at the RIB during the *transmitter ON period*

**rated total output power:** mean power level associated with a particular *operating band* the manufacturer has declared to be available at the indicated interface, during the *transmitter ON period* in a specified reference condition

**rated total TRP output power:** mean power level declared by the manufacturer, that the manufacturer has declared to be available at the RIB during the *transmitter ON period*

**reference beam direction pair:** declared *beam direction pair*, including reference *beam centre direction* and reference *beam peak direction* where the reference *beam peak direction* is the direction for the intended maximum EIRP within the *OTA peak directions set*

**receiver target:** AoA in which reception is performedby *SAN types 1-H* or *SAN type 1-O*

**receiver target redirection range:** union of all the *sensitivity RoAoA* achievable through redirecting the *receiver target* related to particular OSDD

**receiver target reference direction:** direction inside the *OTA sensitivity directions declaration* declared by the manufacturer for conformance testing. For an OSDD without *receiver target redirection range*, this is a direction inside the *sensitivity RoAoA*

**reference RoAoA**: the *sensitivity RoAoA* associated with the *receiver target reference direction* for each OSDD.

**requirement set:** one of the NR SAN requirement's set as defined for *SAN type 1-H*, *SAN type 1-O*

**SAN type 1-H:** Satellite Access Node operating at FR1 with a requirement set consisting of conducted requirements defined at individual *TAB connectors* and OTA requirements defined at RIB

**SAN type 1-O:** Satellite Access Node operating at FR1 with a requirement set consisting only of OTA requirements defined at the RIB

**satellite:** A space-borne vehicle embarking a bent pipe payload or a regenerative payload telecommunication transmitter, placed into Low-Earth Orbit (LEO), Medium-Earth Orbit (MEO), or Geostationary Earth Orbit (GEO).

**sensitivity RoAoA:** RoAoA within the *OTA sensitivity directions declaration*, within which the declared EIS(s) of an OSDD is intended to be achieved at any instance of time for a specific SAN direction setting

**service link:** Radio link between satellite and UE

**superseding-band**: A *superseding-band* of an operating band includes the whole of the uplink and downlink frequency range of the operating band.

**TAB connector:** *transceiver array boundary* connector

**TAB connector RX min cell group:** *operating band* specific declared group of *TAB connectors* to which *SAN type 1-H* conducted RX requirements are applied

NOTE: Within this definition, the group corresponds to the group of *TAB connectors* which are responsible for receiving a cell when the *SAN type 1-H* setting corresponding to the declared minimum number of cells with reception on all *TAB connectors* supporting an *operating band*, but its existence is not limited to that condition

**TAB connector TX min cell group:** *operating band* specific declared group of *TAB connectors* to which *SAN type 1-H* conducted TX requirements are applied.

NOTE: Within this definition, the group corresponds to the group of *TAB connectors* which are responsible for transmitting a cell when the *SAN type 1-H* setting corresponding to the declared minimum number of cells with transmission on all *TAB connectors* supporting an *operating band*, but its existence is not limited to that condition

**total radiated power:** is the total power radiated by the antenna

NOTE: The *total radiated power* is the power radiating in all direction for two orthogonal polarizations. *Total radiated power* is defined in both the near-field region and the far-field region

**transceiver array boundary:** conducted interface between the transceiver unit array and the composite antenna

**transmission bandwidth:** RF Bandwidth of an instantaneous transmission from a UE or SAN, measured in resource block units

**transparent payload:** Payload that changes the frequency carrier of the UL/DL RF signal, filters and amplifies it before transmitting it on the DL/UL, respectively.

**UE transmission bandwidth configuration:** set of resource blocks located within the UE channel bandwidth which may be used for transmitting or receiving by the UE

**upper sub-block edge:** frequency at the upper edge of one *sub-block*.

NOTE: It is used as a frequency reference point for both transmitter and receiver requirements.

**user throughput:** data rate provided to a terminal

## 3.2 Symbols

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

 Percentage of the mean transmitted power emitted outside the occupied bandwidth on the assigned channel

BeWθ,REFSENS Beamwidth equivalent to the *OTA REFSENS RoAoA* in the θ-axis in degrees. Applicable for FR1 only.

BeWφ,REFSENS Beamwidth equivalent to the *OTA REFSENS RoAoA* in the φ-axis in degrees. Applicable for FR1 only.

SANChannel *SAN channel bandwidth*

BWChannel,block *Sub-block bandwidth*, expressed in MHz. BWChannel,block = Fedge,block,high- Fedge,block,low.

BWConfig *Transmission bandwidth configuration*, where BWConfig = *N*RB x SCS x 12

BWContiguous Contiguous *transmission bandwidth*, i.e. *SAN channel bandwidth* for single carrier or *Aggregated SAN channel bandwidth* for contiguously aggregated carriers. For non-contiguous operation within a band the term is applied per *sub-block*.

BWGB,low The minimum guard band defined in clause 5.3.3 for lowest assigned component carrier

BWGB,high The minimum guard band defined in clause 5.3.3 for highest assigned component carrier

Δf Separation between the *channel edge* frequency and the nominal -3 dB point of the measuring filter closest to the carrier frequency

ΔfBE\_offset Separatdo we really need this term?ion between the edge of the last transmitted channel of the channels assigned for NR-U channel bandwidth and the nominal -3 dB point of the measuring filter closest to the carrier frequency

ΔFGlobal Global frequency raster granularity

Δfmax f\_offsetmax minus half of the bandwidth of the measuring filter

ΔfOBUE Maximum offset of the *operating band* unwanted emissions mask from the downlink *operating band* edge

ΔfOOB Maximum offset of the out-of-band boundary from the uplink *operating band* edge

ΔminSENS Difference between conducted reference sensitivity and minSENS

ΔOTAREFSENS Difference between conducted reference sensitivity and OTA REFSENS

ΔFRaster Channel raster granularity

Δshift Channel raster offset for SUL

EISminSENS The EIS declared for the *minSENS RoAoA*

EISREFSENS OTA REFSENS EIS value

FFBWhigh Highest supported frequency within supported *operating band*, for which *fractional bandwidth* support was declared

FFBWlow Lowest supported frequency within supported *operating band*, for which *fractional bandwidth* support was declared

FC *RF reference frequency* on the channel raster, given in table 5.4.2.2-1

FC,block,high Fc of the highest transmitted/received carrier in a *sub-block*.

FC,block,low Fc of the lowest transmitted/received carrier in a *sub-block*.

FC,low The Fc of the *lowest carrier*, expressed in MHz.

FC,high The Fc of the *highest carrier*, expressed in MHz.

FDL,low The lowest frequency of the downlink *operating band*

FDL,high The highest frequency of the downlink *operating band*

Fedge,low The lower edge of *Aggregated SAN Channel Bandwidth*, expressed in MHz. Fedge,low = FC,low - Foffset,low.

Fedge,high The upper edge of *Aggregated SAN Channel Bandwidth*, expressed in MHz. Fedge,high = FC,high + Foffset,high.

Fedge,block,low The *lower sub-block edge*, where Fedge,block,low = FC,block,low - Foffset,low.

Fedge,block,high The *upper sub-block edge*, where Fedge,block,high = FC,block,high + Foffset,high.

Ffilter Filter centre frequency

Foffset,high Frequency offset from FC,high to the upper *SAN RF Bandwidth edge*, or from F C,block,high to the *upper sub-block edge*

Foffset,low Frequency offset from FC,low to the lower *SAN RF Bandwidth edge*, or from FC,block,low to the *lower sub-block edge*.

f\_BE\_offset Separation between the edge of the last transmitted channel of the channels assigned for NR-U channel bandwidth and the centre of the measuring

f\_offset Separation between the *channel edge* frequency and the centre of the measuring

f\_offsetmax The offset to the frequency ΔfOBUE outside the downlink *operating band*

FREF RF reference frequency

FREF-Offs Offset used for calculating FREF

FREF,shift RF reference frequency for Supplementary Uplink (SUL) bands

Fstep,X Frequency steps for the OTA transmitter spurious emissions (Category B)

FUL,low The lowest frequency of the uplink *operating band*

FUL,high The highest frequency of the uplink *operating band*

GBChannel Minimum guard band defined in clause 5.3.3

Ncells The declared number corresponding to the minimum number of cells that can be transmitted by an *SAN type 1-H* in a particular *operating band*

 Physical resource block number

NRB *Transmission bandwidth configuration*, expressed in resource blocks

NRB,high *Transmission bandwidth configuration* for the highest assigned component carrier within a *sub-block* in CA

NRB,low *Transmission bandwidth configuration* for the lowest assigned component carrier within a *sub-block* in CA

NREF NR Absolute Radio Frequency Channel Number (NR-ARFCN)

NREF-Offs Offset used for calculating NREF

NRXU,active The number of active receiver units. The same as the number of *demodulation branches* to which compliance is declared for chapter 8 performance requirements

NRXU,counted The number of active receiver units that are taken into account for conducted Rx spurious emission scaling, as calculated in clause 7.6.1

NRXU,countedpercell The number of active receiver units that are taken into account for conducted RX spurious emissions scaling per cell, as calculated in clause 7.6.1

NTXU,counted The number of *active transmitter units* as calculated in clause 6.1, that are taken into account for conducted TX output power limit in clause 6.2.1, and for unwanted TX emissions scaling

NTXU,countedpercell The number of *active transmitter units* that are taken into account for conducted TX emissions scaling per cell, as calculated in clause 6.1

PEIRP,N EIRP level for channel N

Pmax,c,AC*Maximum carrier output power* measuredper *antenna connector*

Pmax,c,cell The *maximum carrier output power* per *TAB connector TX min cell group*

Pmax,c,TABC The *maximum carrier output power per TAB connector*

Pmax,c**,**TRP*Maximum carrier TRP output power* measuredat the RIB(s), and corresponding to the declared *rated carrier TRP output power* (Prated,c,TRP)

Pmax,c,EIRP The maximum carrier EIRPwhen the SAN is configured at the maximum rated carrier output TRP (Prated,c,TRP)

Prated,c,AC The *rated carrier output power per antenna connector*

Prated,c,cell The *rated carrier output power* per *TAB connector TX min cell group*

Prated,c,FBWhigh The rated carrier EIRPfor the higher supported frequency range within supported *operating band,* for which *fractional bandwidth* support was declared

Prated,c,FBWlow The rated carrier EIRP for the lower supported frequency range within supported *operating band,* for which *fractional bandwidth* support was declared

Prated,c,sys The sum of Prated,c,TABC for all *TAB connectors* for a single carrier

Prated,c,TABC The *rated carrier output power per TAB connector*

Prated,c,TRP *Rated carrier TRP output power* declaredper RIB

Prated,t,AC The *rated total output power* declared at the *antenna connector*

Prated,t,TABC The *rated total output power* declared at *TAB connector*

Prated,t,TRP *Rated total TRP output power* declaredper RIB

PREFSENS Conducted Reference Sensitivity power level

SCSlow Sub-Carrier Spacing for the lowest assigned component carrier within a *sub-block* in CA

SCShigh Sub-Carrier Spacing for the highest assigned component carrier within a *sub-block* in CA

SSREF SS block reference frequency position

Wgap *Sub-block gap* or *Inter RF Bandwidth gap* size

## 3.3 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the abbreviations given in 3GPP TR 21.905 [1] and the following apply. An abbreviation defined in the present document takes precedence over the definition of the same abbreviation, if any, in 3GPP TR 21.905 [1].

AA Antenna Array

AAS Active Antenna System

ACLR Adjacent Channel Leakage Ratio

ACS Adjacent Channel Selectivity

AoA Angle of Arrival

AWGN Additive White Gaussian Noise

BW Bandwidth

CA Carrier Aggregation

CACLR Cumulative ACLR

CPE Common Phase Error

CP-OFDM Cyclic Prefix-OFDM

CW Continuous Wave

DFT-s-OFDM Discrete Fourier Transform-spread-OFDM

DM-RS Demodulation Reference Signal

EIRP Effective Isotropic Radiated Power

EIS Equivalent Isotropic Sensitivity

EVM Error Vector Magnitude

FR Frequency Range

FRC Fixed Reference Channel

GEO Geostationary Earth Orbiting

GSCN Global Synchronization Channel Number

ICS In-Channel Selectivity

LEO Low Earth Orbiting

MCS Modulation and Coding Scheme

NR New Radio

NR-ARFCN NR Absolute Radio Frequency Channel Number

OBUE Operating Band Unwanted Emissions

OOB Out-of-band

OSDD OTA Sensitivity Directions Declaration

OTA Over-The-Air

PRB Physical Resource Block

PT-RS Phase Tracking Reference Signal

QAM Quadrature Amplitude Modulation

RB Resource Block

RDN Radio Distribution Network

RE Resource Element

REFSENS Reference Sensitivity

RF Radio Frequency

RIB Radiated Interface Boundary

RMS Root Mean Square (value)

RoAoA Range of Angles of Arrival

RX Receiver

SAN Satellite Access Node

SCS Sub-Carrier Spacing

SSB Synchronization Signal Block

TAB Transceiver Array Boundary

TAE Time Alignment Error

TRP Total Radiated Power

TX Transmitter

UCI Uplink Control Information

UEM Unwanted Emissions Mask

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