**3GPP TSG RAN WG1 #109-e R1-220XXXX**

**e-Meeting, May 9th – 20th, 2022**

**Title: Draft LS on interference modelling for duplex evolution**

**Response to:**

**Release: Rel-18**

**Work Item:** **FS\_NR\_duplex\_evo**

**Source:** **RAN1**

**To:** **RAN4**

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1 Overall description

Regarding the interference modelling for subband non-overlapping full duplex in Rel-18 NR duplex evolution study item, RAN1 made the following agreements and relevant questions:

1. ***Agreements and questions on self-interference modelling for system level simulation***

**Agreement**

Regarding gNB self-interference modelling for system level simulation purpose, consider introducing ratio of self-interference (RSI) to represent the overall self-interference suppression capability of gNB by means of spatial isolation, subband frequency isolation, digital interference cancellation and beamform nulling/isolation, etc. RSI also takes into account the impact of Tx/Rx antenna element gain on self-interference. The RSI, denoted as $α\_{SI}^{\left(m,n\right)}$, can be defined as the ratio of the total power transmitted by gNB across all transmit chains on a frequency unit *m* (e.g., subband/RB/subcarrier *m*) in a SBFD carrier to the residual self-interference received by the same gNB on a single receiver chain on a different frequency unit *n* (e.g., another subband/RB/subcarrier *n*) in the same SBFD carrier.

* FFS: Model for link level simulations and relevant questions to ask RAN4
* FFS: details of gNB self-interference modelling using RSI in SLS. As one example based on per-RB-RSI, the gNB self-interference on a single receiver chain at UL RB *n* can be modelled as
	+ $I\_{SI}^{\left(n\right)}=\sum\_{\begin{array}{c}m\ne n\\m\in DL subband\end{array}}^{}I\_{SI}^{\left(m,n\right)}$, wherein,
		- $dBm\left(I\_{SI}^{\left(m,n\right)}\right)=P\_{tx}^{m}-dB\left(α\_{SI}^{\left(m,n\right)}\right)$
		- $I\_{SI}^{\left(m,n\right)}$is the gNB self-interference on a single receiver chain at UL RB *n* caused by DL transmission on DL RB *m.*
		- *m* is the DL RB index in DL subbands.
		- $P\_{tx}^{m}$is gNB’s DL transmission power across all transmit chains at RB *m* (in dBm).
		- $α\_{SI}^{\left(m,n\right)}$ is the per-RB-RSI.
	+ FFS: consider a statistical clutter model based on statistics of clutter strength and AoA.
* The following should be asked to RAN4:
	+ What is the value range of RSI $α\_{SI}^{(n,m)}$ for each frequency range, and under what assumptions on the self-interference suppression means the value range of RSI is provided?
		- RAN1 understands the RSI can be described per subband, per RB, or per subcarrier depending on the granularity of the frequency unit, and it is up to RAN4 to provide the RSI in which granularity.
	+ Whether it is possible for RAN4 to provide RAN1 the respective capabilities of different self-interference suppression means? e.g., is it possible to provide the separate estimates for spatial isolation, subband frequency isolation, beamform nulling/isolation, and digital cancellation, etc., as below?
		- $dB(α\_{SI}^{(m,n)})= dB(α\_{SI-spatial})+dB(α\_{SI-frequency }^{(m,n)})+dB(α\_{SI-beam})+dB(α\_{SI-digtial})$ +…
			* $α\_{SI-spatial}$ denotes the spatial isolation.
			* $α\_{SI-frequency }^{(m,n)}$ denotes the suband frequency isolation between the Tx frequency unit *m* and the Rx frequency unit *n.*
			* $α\_{SI-beam}$ denotes the beamform nulling or beam isolation.
			* $α\_{SI-digtial}$ denotes the digital cancellation capability.
	+ Whether it is possible to simplify the RSI as frequency flat model, and under which condition(s) the dependency of the RSI on frequency can be ignored?
	+ The feasibility of provided value range of RSI regarding factors such as blocking, AGC, etc.
	+ Does RSI have any dependency with the following factors or any other factors? What are the dependencies?
		- gNB’s antenna aspects, e.g., the assumed antenna architecture, the number of transmit chains and receive chains, etc.
		- Frequency aspects, e.g., the frequency distance between the Tx frequency unit *m* and the Rx frequency unit *n*,the number of RBs allocated for DL transmission, etc.
		- Beam aspects, e.g., Tx/Rx beam-pair for FR1/FR2 especially for clutter echo, etc.
* Note: RAN1’s consideration on the frequency locations and sizes of SBFD DL subband and SBFD UL subband assumed in SBFD operation can be provided to RAN4.
1. ***Agreements and questions on gNB-gNB and UE-UE co-channel inter-subband CLI modelling for system level simulation***

**Agreement**

For discussion of gNB-gNB and UE-UE co-channel inter-subband CLI modelling in system level simulation, RAN1 understands at least the following two aspects need to be considered:

* **Aspect 1:** The unwanted emissions due to Tx non-linearity at the transmitter of the aggressor from the allocated RBs to the non-allocated RBs in the same carrier.
* **Aspect 2:** The receiver selectivity at the victim to receive the desired signal in the allocated RBs in the presence of the unwanted signals at the non-allocated RBs. (e.g. receiver blocking at the victim, overload of the receiver dynamic range, etc)

The following questions should be asked to RAN4:

* Whether it is feasible to consider the above two aspects for gNB-gNB and UE-UE co-channel inter-subband CLI modelling in system level simulation? Are there any other aspects should also be taken into account?
* For a specific pair of DL frequency unit *m* (e.g., subband/RB *m*) and UL frequency unit *n* (e.g., subband/RB *n*) of gNB-gNB link, where the DL frequency unit *m* and UL frequency unit *n* are in the same carrier and non-overlapping in frequency, and assuming the aggressor gNB transmits on the DL frequency unit *m* and the victim gNB receives on the UL frequency unit *n*,
	+ How to model the interference from DL frequency unit *m* to UL frequency unit *n* due to Aspect 1 (defined above) at the gNB transmitter?
	+ How to model the interference from DL frequency unit *m* to UL frequency unit *n* due to Aspect 2 (defined above) at the gNB receiver?
	+ How to model the above interferences for the following two cases:
		- inter-site gNB-gNB co-channel inter-subband CLI
		- co-site inter-sector co-channel inter-subband CLI
* For a specific pair of DL frequency unit *m* (e.g., subband/RB *m*) and UL frequency unit *n* (e.g., subband/RB *n*) of UE-UE link, where the DL frequency unit *m* and UL frequency unit *n* are in the same carrier and non-overlapping in frequency, and assuming the aggressor UE transmits on the UL frequency unit *n* and the victim UE receives on the DL frequency unit *m*,
	+ How to model the interference from UL frequency unit *n* to DL frequency unit *m* due to Aspect 1 (defined above) at the UE transmitter?
	+ How to model the interference from UL frequency unit *n* to DL frequency unit *m* due to Aspect 2 at the UE receiver?

FFS: Usage of the above model provided by RAN4 in the evaluation

1. ***Agreements and questions on gNB-gNB and UE-UE adjacent-channel CLI modelling for system level simulation***

To be added if agreed….

1. ***Agreements and questions on self-interference modelling for link level simulation***

To be added if agreed….

2 Actions

**To: RAN4**

**ACTION:** RAN1 respectfully asks RAN4 to take the above agreements into account and provide feedback on the questions in them.

3 Dates of next TSG RAN WG1 meetings

TSG RAN WG1 Meeting #110 22nd Aug – 26th Aug, 2022 Toulouse, FR

TSG RAN WG1 Meeting #110bis-e 10th Oct – 19th Oct, 2022 E-meeting