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| **CHANGE REQUEST** |
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|  | **38.306** | **CR** | **0239** | **rev** | **1** | **Current version:** | **15.8.0** |  |
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| ***Proposed change affects:*** | UICC apps |  | ME | **x** | Radio Access Network | **x** | Core Network |  |

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| ***Title:***  | Support of UL sharing from the UE perspective for FDD bands |
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| ***Source to WG:*** | Nokia, Nokia Shanghai Bell |
| ***Source to TSG:*** | R2 |
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| ***Work item code:*** | NR\_FDD\_bands\_varduplex |  | ***Date:*** | 2020-02-13 |
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| ***Category:*** | **B** |  | ***Release:*** | Rel-15 |
|  | *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:*** | RAN#84 agreed in [RP-191567](http://3gpp.org/ftp/tsg_ran/TSG_RAN/TSGR_841/Docs/RP-191567.zip) on new WID on NR FDD bands with variable duplex to specify the following new NR FDD frequency bands for Europe in release independent manner from the Rel-15 onwards:a) Band nA: 1427 – 1432 MHz DL / 832 – 862 MHz UL (only for Local Area BS operation)b) Band nB: 1432 – 1517 MHz DL / 832 – 862 MHz ULc) Band nC: 1427 – 1432 MHz DL / 880 – 915 MHz UL (only for Local Area BS operation)d) Band nD: 1432 – 1517 MHz DL / 880 – 915 MHz ULThe objectives of the WID define that the requirements are release independent from the Rel-15 onwards. The objectives also define that uplink sharing operation of the NR uplink carrier with an LTE uplink carrier for these new FDD bands both from the network perspective (standalone operations) and from the UE perspective (ULSUP-TDM and ULSUP-FDM) in case of EN-DC operation. Further, the RAN1 LS [R1-1907937](http://www.3gpp.org/ftp/tsg_ran/wg2_rl2/tsgr2_107/docs/R2-1908619.zip) also confirms that its the RAN1 Rel-15 specifications support UL sharing from the UE perspective for FDD bands. The RAN4 LS R4-1916180 now requests RAN2 to take this into account for the variable-duplex FDD bands, which needs to be done for Rel-15 since frequency bands are release-independent. Therefore, the change needs to be done from Rel-15 to allow Rel-15 UEs being able to support variable-duplex frequency bands.  |
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| ***Summary of change:*** | 1. *ul-SharingEUTRA-NR* is clarified to indicate whether the UE supports EN-DC with EUTRA-NR coexistence in UL sharing involving either NR SUL or NR FDD band in UL of the shared E-UTRA-NR carrier via TDM only, FDM only, or both TDM and FDM from UE perspective.

**Impact analysis**Impacted 5G architecture options: EN-DC, NGEN-DC, and NE-DC.Impacted functionality: UL sharing from UE perspectiveInter-operability: No inter-operability issues are foreseen. |
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| ***Consequences if not approved:*** | The description of UL sharing capability is inconsistent with current RAN4 work. |
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| ***Clauses affected:*** | 4.2.7.9 |
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|  | **Y** | **N** |  |  |
| ***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:*** |  |
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| ***This CR's revision history:*** |  |

*First Modified Subclause*

4.2.7.9 *MRDC-Parameters*

| **Definitions for parameters** | **Per** | **M** | **FDD-TDD****DIFF** | **FR1-FR2****DIFF** |
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| ***asyncIntraBandENDC***Indicates whether the UE supports asynchronous FDD-FDD intra-band EN-DC with MRTD and MTTD as specified in clause 7.5 and 7.6 of TS 38.133 [5]. If it is not supported for FDD-FDD intra-band EN-DC, the UE supports only synchronous FDD-FDD intra-band EN-DC. | BC | No | FDD only | FR1 only |
| ***dualPA-Architecture***For an intra-band band combination, this field indicates the support of dual PAs. If absent in an intra-band band combination, the UE supports single PA for all the ULs in the intra-band band combination. For other band combinations, this field is not applicable. | BC | No | No | No |
| ***dynamicPowerSharingENDC***Indicates whether the UE supports dynamic (NG)EN-DC power sharing between NR FR1 carriers and the LTE carriers. If the UE supports this capability the UE supports the dynamic power sharing behaviour as specified in clause 7 of TS 38.213 [11]. | BC | Yes | No | FR1 only |
| ***dynamicPowerSharingNEDC***Indicates whether the UE supports dynamic NE-DC power sharing between NR FR1 carriers and the LTE carriers. If the UE supports this capability, the UE supports the dynamic power sharing behavior as specified in clause 7 of TS 38.213 [11]. | BC | Yes | No | FR1 only |
| ***intraBandENDC-Support***Indicates whether the UE supports intra-band EN-DC with only non-contiguous spectrum, or with both contiguous and non-contiguous spectrum for the EN-DC combination as specified in TS 38.101-3 [4].If the UE does not include this field for an intra-band EN-DC combination the UE only supports the contiguous spectrum for the intra-band EN-DC combination. | BC | No | No | No |
| ***simultaneousRxTxInterBandENDC***Indicates whether the UE supports simultaneous transmission and reception in TDD-TDD and TDD-FDD inter-band EN-DC. It is mandatory for certain TDD-FDD and TDD-TDD band combinations defined in TS 38.101-3 [4]. | BC | CY | No | No |
| ***singleUL-Transmission***Indicates that the UE does not support simultaneous UL transmissions as defined in TS 38.101-3 [4]. The UE may only include this field for certain band combinations defined in TS 38.101-3 [4]. If included for a particular band combination, the field applies to all fallback band combinations of this band combination that are defined in TS 38.101-3 [4] as being allowed to include this field and does not apply to any other fallback band combinations defined in TS 38.101-3 [4]. | BC | No | No | No |
| ***tdm-Pattern***Indicates whether the UE supports the *tdm-PatternConfig* for *single UL-transmission* associated functionality, as specified in TS 36.331 [17]. Support is conditionally mandatory in (NG)EN-DC for UEs that do not support dynamicPowerSharingENDC and for UEs that indicate single UL transmission for any (NG)EN-DC BC. Support is conditionally mandatory in NE-DC for UEs that do not support dynamicPowerSharingNEDC and for UEs that indicate single UL transmission for any NE-DC BC. The feature is optional otherwise. | BC | CY | Yes | Yes |
| ***ul-SharingEUTRA-NR***Indicates whether the UE supports EN-DC with EUTRA-NR UL sharing involving either NR SUL or NR FDD band in UL of the shared E-UTRA-NR carrier via TDM only, FDM only, or both TDM and FDM from UE perspective as specified in TS 38.101-3 [4]. | BC | No | No | FR1 only |
| ***ul-SwitchingTimeEUTRA-NR***Indicates support of switching type between LTE UL and NR UL for EN-DC with LTE-NR coexistence in UL sharing from UE perspective as defined in clause 6.3B of TS 38.101-3 [4]. It is mandatory to report switching time type 1 or type 2 if UE reports *ul-SharingEUTRA-NR* is *tdm* or *both*. | BC | CY | No | FR1 only |
| ***ul-TimingAlignmentEUTRA-NR***Indicates whether to apply the same UL timing between NR and LTE for dynamic power sharing capable UE operating in a synchronous intra-band contiguous (NG)EN-DC. If this field is absent, UE shall be capable of handling a timing difference up to applicable MTTD requirements when operating in a synchronous intra-band contiguous (NG)EN-DC network, as specified in TS 38.133 [5]. If this capability is included in an inter-band (NG)EN-DC BC with an intra-band (NG)EN-DC BC part, this capability is used to indicate the restriction to the intra-band (NG)EN-DC BC part. | BC | No | No | No |