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#### **Foreword**

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## 1 Scope

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The present document is the technical report for the *LTE Advanced Intra-band Non-contiguous Carrier Aggregation in Band 4* work item, which was approved at TSG RAN #56 [2].

### 2 References

The following documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of the present document.

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- [1] 3GPP TR 21.905: "Vocabulary for 3GPP Specifications"
- [2] RP-120593, "WID LTE Advanced intra-band non-contiguous Carrier Aggregation for Band 4," T-Mobile USA
- [3] RP-130176, "Revised WID: LTE Advanced intra-band non-contiguous Carrier Aggregation in Band 4," T-Mobile USA

## 3 Definitions, symbols and abbreviations

#### 3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the terms and definitions given in 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 TR 21.905 [1].

Definition format (Normal)

<defined term>: <definition>.

#### 3.2 Symbols

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

Symbol format (EW)

<symbol> <Explanation>

#### 3.3 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the abbreviations given in 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 TR 21.905 [1].

Abbreviation format (EW)

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## 4 Background

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### 4.1 Task description

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## 5 Band and channel arrangement

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### 5.1 CA Operating bands

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#### 5.2 CA channel bandwidth

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## 6 E-UTRA RF requirements for UE

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#### 6.1 Transmitter characteristics

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#### 6.1.1 UL harmonics and IMD

CA\_4 operates at 1710~1755 MHz for UL and 2110~2155 MHz for DL. Assuming UE transmitting in the whole range of 1710~1755 MHz, the  $2^{nd}$  and  $3^{rd}$  order of harmonics,  $2^{nd}$ ,  $3^{rd}$ ,  $5^{th}$ , and  $7^{th}$  order IMD are calculated and shown in the following table.

Table 2-1: CA\_4 UL harmonics and IMD

Harmonics and IMD	Frequency range in MHz	Falling into RX band?		
2 <sup>nd</sup> harmonics	3420~ 3510	No		
3 <sup>rd</sup> harmonics	5130~ 5265	No		
2 <sup>nd</sup> order IMD	-45 ~ 45	No		
3 <sup>rd</sup> order IMD (2f1-f2)	1665 ~ 1800	No		
5 <sup>th</sup> order IMD (3f1-2f2)	1620 ~ 1845	No		
5 <sup>th</sup> order IMD (4f1-f2)	5085 ~ 5310	No		
7 <sup>th</sup> order IMD (4f1-3f2)	1575 ~ 1890	No		
7 <sup>th</sup> order IMD (5f1-2f2)	5040 ~ 5355	No		

The UE RX band is 2110~2155 MHz. From the above table it can be seen that the  $2^{nd}$  and  $3^{rd}$  order harmonics and the  $2^{nd}$ ,  $3^{rd}$ ,  $5^{th}$ , and  $7^{th}$  order IMD do not overlap with the UE RX band. So, there is no harmonics and IMD issue for intra-band non-contiguous CA\_4 UE which supports 2UL.

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#### 6.2 Receiver characteristics

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## 7 E-UTRA RRM requirements for UE

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## 8 E-UTRA RF requirements for BS

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#### 8.1 Co-existence studies

Table 8.1-1 shows harmonics frequency limits and Table 8.1-2 intermodulation products frequency limits for CA of Band 4, respectively.

Table 8.1-1: DL harmonics frequency limits for CA of Band 4

BS DL carriers	f_low f_high		
DL frequency (MHz)	2110	2155	
2 <sup>nd</sup> order harmonics frequency range (MHz)	4220 t	o 4310	
3 <sup>rd</sup> order harmonics frequency range (MHz)	6330 t	o 6465	

As shown in Table 8.1-1, no second and no third harmonics will fall to any 3GPP UL frequencies.

Table 8.1-2: DL intermodulation products frequency limits for CA of Band 4

BS DL carriers	f_low	f_high	
DL frequency (MHz)	2110	2155	
2 <sup>nd</sup> order IMD products	f_low - f_high	f_high - f_low	
IMD frequency range (MHz)	-45 to 45		
	2*f_low -	2* f_high –	
3 <sup>rd</sup> order IMD products	f_high	f_low	
IMD frequency range (MHz)	o 2200		

As shown in Table 8.1-2, no second and no third IMD products will fall to any 3GPP UL frequencies.

## 9 Summary of required changes to E-UTRA specifications

9.1 Required changes to TS36.101

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9.2 Required changes to TS36.104

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## 10 Project plan

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# Annex A (Informative): Change history

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2012-10	RAN4#64-bis	R4-125017			TR 36.833 skeleton	N/A	0.0.1	
2013-02	RAN4#66	R4-130014			The following TPs have been implemented: R4-126106, "Harmonics and intermodulation products generated by the BS supporting non-contiguous CA of Band 4" Editorial updates by the rapporteur: Changed version number	0.0.1	0.1.0	
2013-04	RAN4#66-bis	R4-130990			The following TPs have been implemented: R4-130193, "TP on harmonics and intermodulation products caused by intra-band non-contiguous CA_4 UE," Editorial updates by the rapporteur: Changed version number	0.1.0	0.2.0	