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1 Scope

The present document contains the description and definition of the measurements done at the UE and network in order to support operation in idle mode and connected mode.

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] 3GPP TS 36.201: 'Evolved Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (E-UTRA); Physical Layer – General Description '.
- [3] 3GPP TS 36.211: 'Evolved Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (E-UTRA); Physical channels and modulation'.
- [4] 3GPP TS 36.212: 'Evolved Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (E-UTRA); Multiplexing and channel coding '.
- [5] 3GPP TS 36.213: 'Evolved Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (E-UTRA); Physical layer procedures '.
- [6] 3GPP TS 36.321: 'Evolved Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (E-UTRA); Medium Access Control (MAC) protocol specification'.
- [7] 3GPP TS 36.331: 'Evolved Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (E-UTRA); Radio Resource Control (RRC); Protocol specification '.
- [8] 3GPP2 CS.0005-D v1.0 'Upper Layer (Layer 3) Signaling Standard for CDMA2000 Spread Spectrum Systems Release D'.
- [9] 3GPP2 CS.0024-A v3.0 'cdma2000 High Rate Packet Data Air Interface Specification'
- [10] 3GPP TS 36.104: 'Evolved Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (E-UTRA); Base Station (BS) radio transmission and reception '.

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].

3.2 Symbols

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

E_c/N_0 Received energy per chip divided by the power density in the band

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].

1x RTT	CDMA2000 1x Radio Transmission Technology
CPICH	Common Pilot Channel
E-UTRA	Evolved UTRA
E-UTRAN	Evolved UTRAN
FDD	Frequency Division Duplex
GSM	Global System for Mobile communication
HRPD	CDMA2000 High Rate Packet Data
P-CCPCH	Primary Common Control Physical Channel
RSCP	Received Signal Code Power
RSRP	Reference Signal Received Power
RSRQ	Reference Signal Received Quality
RSSI	Received Signal Strength Indicator
TDD	Time Division Duplex
UTRA	Universal Terrestrial Radio Access
UTRAN	Universal Terrestrial Radio Access Network

4 Control of UE/E-UTRAN measurements

In this chapter the general measurement control concept of the higher layers is briefly described to provide an understanding on how L1 measurements are initiated and controlled by higher layers.

With the measurement specifications L1 provides measurement capabilities for the UE and E-UTRAN. These measurements can be classified in different reported measurement types: intra-frequency, inter-frequency, inter-system, traffic volume, quality and UE internal measurements (see the RRC Protocol [7]).

In the L1 measurement definitions, see chapter 5, the measurements are categorised as measurements in the UE (the messages for these will be described in the MAC Protocol [6] or RRC Protocol [7]) or measurements in the E-UTRAN (the messages for these will be described in the Frame Protocol).

To initiate a specific measurement, the E-UTRAN transmits a 'RRC connection reconfiguration message' to the UE including a measurement ID and type, a command (setup, modify, release), the measurement objects, the measurement quantity, the reporting quantities and the reporting criteria (periodical/event-triggered), see [7].

When the reporting criteria are fulfilled the UE shall answer with a 'measurement report message' to the E-UTRAN including the measurement ID and the results.

For idle mode, the measurement information elements are broadcast in the System Information.

5 Measurement capabilities for E-UTRA

In this chapter the physical layer measurements reported to higher layers are defined.

5.1 UE measurement capabilities

The structure of the table defining a UE measurement quantity is shown below.

Column field	Comment
Definition	Contains the definition of the measurement.
Applicable for	States in which state(s) it shall be possible to perform this measurement. The following terms are used in the tables: RRC_IDLE; RRC_CONNECTED; Intra-frequency appended to the RRC state: Shall be possible to perform in the corresponding RRC state on an intra-frequency cell; Inter-frequency appended to the RRC state: Shall be possible to perform in the corresponding RRC state on an inter-frequency cell Inter-RAT appended to the RRC state: Shall be possible to perform in the corresponding RRC state on an inter-RAT cell.

5.1.1 Reference Signal Received Power (RSRP)

Definition	Reference signal received power (RSRP), is defined as the linear average over the power contributions (in [W]) of the resource elements that carry cell-specific reference signals within the considered measurement frequency bandwidth. For RSRP determination the cell-specific reference signals R_0 according TS 36.211 [3] shall be used. If the UE can reliably detect that R_1 is available it may use R_1 in addition to R_0 to determine RSRP. If receiver diversity is in use by the UE, the reported value shall be equivalent to the linear average of the power values of all diversity branches.
Applicable for	RRC_IDLE intra-frequency, RRC_IDLE inter-frequency, RRC_CONNECTED intra-frequency, RRC_CONNECTED inter-frequency

Note1: The number of resource elements within the considered measurement frequency bandwidth and within the measurement period that are used by the UE to determine RSRP is left up to the UE implementation with the limitation that corresponding measurement accuracy requirements have to be fulfilled.

Note 2: The power per resource element is determined from the energy received during the useful part of the symbol, excluding the CP.

5.1.2 Void

5.1.3 Reference Signal Received Quality (RSRQ)

Definition	Reference Signal Received Quality (RSRQ) is defined as the ratio $N \times \text{RSRP} / (\text{E-UTRA carrier RSSI})$, where N is the number of RB's of the E-UTRA carrier RSSI measurement bandwidth. The measurements in the numerator and denominator shall be made over the same set of resource blocks. E-UTRA Carrier Received Signal Strength Indicator (RSSI), comprises the total received power observed over N number of resource blocks by the UE from all sources, including co-channel serving and non-serving cells, adjacent channel interference, thermal noise etc.
Applicable for	RRC_CONNECTED intra-frequency, RRC_CONNECTED inter-frequency

5.1.4 UTRA FDD CPICH RSCP

Definition	Received Signal Code Power, the received power on one code measured on the Primary CPICH. The reference point for the RSCP shall be the antenna connector of the UE. If Tx diversity is applied on the Primary CPICH the received code power from each antenna shall be separately measured and summed together in [W] to a total received code power on the Primary CPICH. If receiver diversity is in use by the UE, the reported value shall not be lower than the corresponding CPICH RSCP of any of the individual receive antenna branches.
Applicable for	RRC_IDLE inter-RAT, RRC_CONNECTED inter-RAT

5.1.5 UTRA FDD carrier RSSI

Definition	The received wide band power, including thermal noise and noise generated in the receiver, within the bandwidth defined by the receiver pulse shaping filter. The reference point for the measurement shall be the antenna connector of the UE. If receiver diversity is in use by the UE, the reported value shall not be lower than the corresponding UTRA carrier RSSI of any of the individual receive antenna branches.
Applicable for	RRC_IDLE inter-RAT, RRC_CONNECTED inter-RAT

5.1.6 UTRA FDD CPICH E_c/N_0

Definition	The received energy per chip divided by the power density in the band. If receiver diversity is not in use by the UE, the CPICH E_c/N_0 is identical to CPICH RSCP/UTRA Carrier RSSI. Measurement shall be performed on the Primary CPICH. The reference point for the CPICH E_c/N_0 shall be the antenna connector of the UE. If Tx diversity is applied on the Primary CPICH the received energy per chip (E_c) from each antenna shall be separately measured and summed together in [Ws] to a total received chip energy per chip on the Primary CPICH, before calculating the E_c/N_0 . If receiver diversity is in use by the UE, the measured CPICH E_c/N_0 value shall not be lower than the corresponding CPICH RSCP/UTRA Carrier RSSI _{<i>i</i>} of receive antenna branch <i>i</i> .
Applicable for	RRC_IDLE inter-RAT, RRC_CONNECTED inter-RAT

5.1.7 GSM carrier RSSI

Definition	Received Signal Strength Indicator, the wide-band received power within the relevant channel bandwidth. Measurement shall be performed on a GSM BCCH carrier. The reference point for the RSSI shall be the antenna connector of the UE.
Applicable for	RRC_IDLE inter-RAT, RRC_CONNECTED inter-RAT

5.1.8 UTRA TDD carrier RSSI

Definition	The received wide band power, including thermal noise and noise generated in the receiver, within the bandwidth defined by the receiver pulse shaping filter, for TDD within a specified timeslot. The reference point for the measurement shall be the antenna connector of the UE.
Applicable for	RRC_IDLE inter-RAT, RRC_CONNECTED inter-RAT

5.1.9 UTRA TDD P-CCPCH RSCP

Definition	Received Signal Code Power, the received power on P-CCPCH of a neighbour UTRA TDD cell. The reference point for the RSCP shall be the antenna connector of the UE.
Applicable for	RRC_IDLE inter-RAT, RRC_CONNECTED inter-RAT

5.1.10 CDMA2000 1x RTT Pilot Strength

Definition	CDMA2000 1x RTT Pilot Strength measurement is defined in section 2.6.6.2.2 of [8]
Applicable for	RRC_IDLE inter-RAT, RRC_CONNECTED inter-RAT

5.1.11 CDMA2000 HRPD Pilot Strength

Definition	CDMA2000 HRPD Pilot Strength Measurement is defined in section 8.7.6.1.2.3 of [9]
Applicable for	RRC_IDLE inter-RAT, RRC_CONNECTED inter-RAT

5.2 E-UTRAN measurement abilities

The structure of the table defining a E-UTRAN measurement quantity is shown below.

Column field	Comment
Definition	Contains the definition of the measurement.

The term "antenna connector" used in this sub-clause to define the reference point for the E-UTRAN measurements refers to the "BS antenna connector" test port A and test port B as described in [10]. The term "antenna connector" refers to Rx or Tx antenna connector as described in the respective measurement definitions.

5.2.1 DL RS TX power

Definition	Downlink reference signal transmit power is determined for a considered cell as the linear average over the power contributions (in [W]) of the resource elements that carry cell-specific reference signals which are transmitted by the eNode B within its operating system bandwidth. For DL RS TX power determination the cell-specific reference signals R_0 and if available R_1 according TS 36.211 [3] can be used. The reference point for the DL RS TX power measurement shall be the TX antenna connector.
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5.2.2 Received Interference Power

Definition	The uplink received interference power, including thermal noise, within one physical resource block's bandwidth of N_{sc}^{RB} resource elements as defined in TS 36.211 [3]. The reported value shall contain a set of Received Interference Powers of physical resource blocks $n_{PRB} = 0, \dots, N_{RB}^{UL} - 1$ as defined in TS 36.211 [3]. The reference point for the measurement shall be the RX antenna connector. In case of receiver diversity, the reported value shall be linear average of the power in the diversity branches.
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5.2.3 Thermal noise power

Definition	The uplink thermal noise power within the UL system bandwidth consisting of N_{RB}^{UL} resource blocks as defined in [3]. It is defined as $(N_o \times W)$, where N_o denotes the white noise power spectral density on the uplink carrier frequency and $W = N_{RB}^{UL} \cdot N_{sc}^{RB} \cdot \Delta f$ denotes the UL system bandwidth. The measurement is optionally reported together with the Received Interference Power measurement, it shall be determined over the same time period as the Received Interference Power measurement, The reference point for the measurement shall be the RX antenna connector. In case of receiver diversity, the reported value shall be linear average of the power in the diversity branches.
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