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## 1 Scope

The present document describes the physical channels for evolved UTRA.

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## 3 Symbols and abbreviations

### 3.1 Symbols

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

- ( $k, l$ ) Resource element with frequency-domain index  $k$  and time-domain index  $l$

$a_{k,l}^{(p)}$	Value of resource element $(k,l)$ [for antenna port $p$ ]
$D$	Matrix for supporting cyclic delay diversity
$D_{\text{RA}}$	Density of random access opportunities per radio frame
$f_0$	Carrier frequency
$f_{\text{RA}}$	PRACH resource frequency index within the considered time-domain location
$f_{\text{PRACH hop}}$	PRACH frequency hopping offset, expressed as a number of resource blocks
$l_{\text{NPDCCHStart}}$	Start symbol in slot 0 for NPDCCH
$l_{\text{NPDSCHStart}}$	Start symbol in slot 0 for NPDSCH
$M_{\text{sc}}^{\text{PSBCH}}$	Bandwidth for PSBCH transmission, expressed as a number of subcarriers
$M_{\text{RB}}^{\text{PSBCH}}$	Bandwidth for PSBCH transmission, expressed as a number of resource blocks
$M_{\text{sc}}^{\text{PSCCH}}$	Bandwidth for PSCCH transmission, expressed as a number of subcarriers
$M_{\text{RB}}^{\text{PSCCH}}$	Bandwidth for PSCCH transmission, expressed as a number of resource blocks
$M_{\text{sc}}^{\text{PSDCH}}$	Bandwidth for PSDCH transmission, expressed as a number of subcarriers
$M_{\text{RB}}^{\text{PSDCH}}$	Bandwidth for PSDCH transmission, expressed as a number of resource blocks
$M_{\text{sc}}^{\text{PSSCH}}$	Scheduled bandwidth for PSSCH transmission, expressed as a number of subcarriers
$M_{\text{RB}}^{\text{PSSCH}}$	Scheduled bandwidth for PSSCH transmission, expressed as a number of resource blocks
$M_{\text{sc}}^{\text{PUSCH}}$	Scheduled bandwidth for uplink transmission, expressed as a number of subcarriers
$M_{\text{RB}}^{\text{PUSCH}}$	Scheduled bandwidth for uplink transmission, expressed as a number of resource blocks
$M_{\text{rep}}^{\text{NPUSCH}}$	Scheduled number of repetitions of a NPUSCH transmission
$M_{\text{rep}}^{\text{NPDSCH}}$	Scheduled number of repetitions of a NPDSCH transmission
$M_{\text{sc}}^{\text{NPUSCH}}$	Scheduled bandwidth for uplink NPUSCH transmission, expressed as a number of subcarriers
$M_{\text{identical}}^{\text{NPUSCH}}$	Number of repetitions of identical slots for NPUSCH
$M_{\text{bit}}^{(q)}$	Number of coded bits to transmit on a physical channel [for codeword $q$ ]
$M_{\text{symb}}^{(q)}$	Number of modulation symbols to transmit on a physical channel [for codeword $q$ ]
$M_{\text{symb}}^{\text{layer}}$	Number of modulation symbols to transmit per layer for a physical channel
$M_{\text{symb}}^{\text{ap}}$	Number of modulation symbols to transmit per antenna port for a physical channel
$N$	A constant equal to 2048 for $\Delta f = 15 \text{ kHz}$ , 4096 for $\Delta f = 7.5 \text{ kHz}$ and 8192 for $\Delta f = 3.75 \text{ kHz}$
$N_{\text{CP},l}$	Downlink cyclic prefix length for OFDM symbol $l$ in a slot
$N_{\text{CS}}$	Cyclic shift value used for random access preamble generation
$N_{\text{cs}}^{(1)}$	Number of cyclic shifts used for PUCCH formats 1/1a/1b in a resource block with a mix of formats 1/1a/1b and 2/2a/2b
$N_{\text{RB}}^{(2)}$	Bandwidth available for use by PUCCH formats 2/2a/2b, expressed in multiples of $N_{\text{sc}}^{\text{RB}}$
$N_{\text{RB}}^{\text{HO}}$	The offset used for PUSCH frequency hopping, expressed in number of resource blocks (set by higher layers)
$N_{\text{ID}}^{\text{cell}}$	Physical layer cell identity
$N_{\text{ID}}^{\text{Ncell}}$	Narrowband physical layer cell identity
$N_{\text{ID}}^{\text{MBSFN}}$	MBSFN area identity
$N_{\text{ID}}^{\text{SL}}$	Physical layer sidelink synchronization identity
$N_{\text{RB}}^{\text{DL}}$	Downlink bandwidth configuration, expressed in multiples of $N_{\text{sc}}^{\text{RB}}$
$N_{\text{RB}}^{\text{min, DL}}$	Smallest downlink bandwidth configuration, expressed in multiples of $N_{\text{sc}}^{\text{RB}}$
$N_{\text{RB}}^{\text{max, DL}}$	Largest downlink bandwidth configuration, expressed in multiples of $N_{\text{sc}}^{\text{RB}}$
$N_{\text{RB}}^{\text{UL}}$	Uplink bandwidth configuration, expressed in multiples of $N_{\text{sc}}^{\text{RB}}$

$N_{\text{RB}}^{\min, \text{UL}}$	Smallest uplink bandwidth configuration, expressed in multiples of $N_{\text{sc}}^{\text{RB}}$
$N_{\text{RB}}^{\max, \text{UL}}$	Largest uplink bandwidth configuration, expressed in multiples of $N_{\text{sc}}^{\text{RB}}$
$N_{\text{RB}}^{\text{SL}}$	Sidelink bandwidth configuration, expressed in multiples of $N_{\text{sc}}^{\text{RB}}$
$N_{\text{SF}}$	Number of scheduled subframes for NPDSCH transmission
$N_{\text{symb}}^{\text{NPSS}}$	Number of symbols for NPSS in a subframe
$N_{\text{symb}}^{\text{NSSS}}$	Number of symbols for NSSS in a subframe
$N_{\text{sc}}^{\text{RU}}$	Number of consecutive subcarriers in an UL resource unit for NB-IoT
$N_{\text{seq}}^{\text{RU}}$	Number of reference signal sequences available for the UL resource unit size
$N_{\text{RU}}$	Number of scheduled UL resource units for NB-IoT
$N_{\text{NB}}^{\text{UL}}$	Total number of uplink narrowbands
$N_{\text{sc}}^{\text{UL}}$	Number of subcarriers in the frequency domain for NB-IoT
$N_{\text{acc}}$	Number of consecutive absolute subframes over which the scrambling sequence stays the same
$N_{\text{abs}}^{\text{PUSCH}}$	Total number of absolute subframes a PUSCH with repetition spans , expressed as a number of absolute subframes
$N_{\text{rep}}^{\text{PUSCH}}$	Number of repetitions of a PUSCH transmission
$N_{\text{NB}}^{\text{ch,UL}}$	Number of consecutive absolute subframes over which PUCCH or PUSCH stays at the same narrowband before hopping to another narrowband, expressed as a number of absolute subframes
$f_{\text{NB,hop}}^{\text{PUSCH}}$	Narrowband offset between one narrowband and the next narrowband a PUSCH hops to, expressed as a number of uplink narrowbands
$N_{\text{abs}}^{\text{PUCCH}}$	Total number of absolute subframes a PUCCH with repetition spans, expressed as a number of absolute subframes
$N_{\text{rep}}^{\text{PUCCH}}$	Number of repetitions of a PUCCH transmission
$N_{\text{rep}}^{\text{PRACH}}$	Number of PRACH repetitions per preamble transmission attempt
$N_{\text{sf}}^{\text{RA}}$	Number of subframes allowed for preamble transmission within a 1024-frame interval
$N_{\text{start}}^{\text{PRACH}}$	PRACH starting subframe periodicity
$N_{\text{rep}}^{\text{NPRACH}}$	Number of NPRACH repetitions per preamble transmission attempt
$N_{\text{period}}^{\text{NPRACH}}$	NPRACH resource periodicity
$N_{\text{sc_offset}}^{\text{NPRACH}}$	Frequency location of the first sub-carrier allocated to NPRACH
$N_{\text{sc}}^{\text{NPRACH}}$	Number of sub-carriers allocated to NPRACH
$N_{\text{sc_cont}}^{\text{NPRACH}}$	Number of starting sub-carriers allocated for UE initiated random access
$N_{\text{start}}^{\text{NPRACH}}$	NPRACH starting subframe
$N_{\text{MSG3}}^{\text{NPRACH}}$	Fraction for starting subcarrier index for UE support for multi-tone msg3 transmission
$N_{\text{gap,period}}$	Periodicity for NPDSCH/NPDCCH gaps
$N_{\text{gap,duration}}$	Duration for NPDSCH/NPDCCH gaps
$N_{\text{gap,threshold}}$	Threshold for applying NPDDCH/NPDCCH gaps
$N_{\text{NB}}^{\text{DL}}$	Total number of downlink narrowbands
$N_{\text{abs}}^{\text{PDSCH}}$	Total number of absolute subframes a PDSCH with repetition spans, expressed as a number of absolute subframes
$N_{\text{rep}}^{\text{PDSCH}}$	Number of repetitions of a PDSCH transmission
$N_{\text{NB}}^{\text{ch,DL}}$	Number of consecutive absolute subframes over which MPDCCH or PDSCH stays at the same narrowband before hopping to another narrowband, expressed as a number of absolute subframes
$N_{\text{NB,hop}}^{\text{ch,DL}}$	Number of narrowbands over which MPDCCH or PDSCH frequency hops

$f_{\text{NB,hop}}^{\text{DL}}$	Narrowband offset between one narrowband and the next narrowband an MPDCCH or PDSCH hops to, expressed as a number of downlink narrowbands
$N_{\text{PDSCH}}^{\text{SIB1-BR}}$	Number of times a PDSCH carrying SIB1-BR is transmitted over 8 radio frames
$N_{\text{abs}}^{\text{MPDCCH}}$	Total number of absolute subframes a MPDCCH with repetition spans , expressed as a number of absolute subframes
$N_{\text{rep}}^{\text{MPDCCH}}$	Number of repetitions of a MPDCCH transmission
$N_{\text{abs,ss}}^{\text{MPDCCH}}$	Total number of absolute subframes a MPDCCH search space with maximum repetition level spans, expressed as a number of absolute subframes
$N_{\text{rep,ss}}^{\text{MPDCCH}}$	Maximum repetition level of a MPDCCH search space
$N_{\text{ECCE}}^{\text{MPDCCH}}$	Number of ECCEs in a subframe for one MPDCCH
$N_{\text{symb}}^{\text{DL}}$	Number of OFDM symbols in a downlink slot
$N_{\text{symb}}^{\text{UL}}$	Number of SC-FDMA symbols in an uplink slot
$N_{\text{slots}}^{\text{UL}}$	Number of consecutive slots in an UL resource unit for NB-IoT
$N_{\text{symb}}^{\text{SL}}$	Number of SC-FDMA symbols in a sidelink slot
$N_{\text{sc}}^{\text{RB}}$	Resource block size in the frequency domain, expressed as a number of subcarriers
$N_{\text{sb}}$	Number of sub-bands for PUSCH frequency-hopping with predefined hopping pattern
$N_{\text{RB}}^{\text{sb}}$	Size of each sub-band for PUSCH frequency-hopping with predefined hopping pattern, expressed as a number of resource blocks
$N_{\text{sc}}^{\text{RA}}$	Size of narrow-band random-access resource in number of subcarriers
$N_{\text{SP}}$	Number of downlink to uplink switch points within the radio frame
$N_{\text{RS}}^{\text{PUCCH}}$	Number of reference symbols per slot for PUCCH
$N_{\text{TA}}$	Timing offset between uplink and downlink radio frames at the UE, expressed in units of $T_s$
$N_{\text{TA offset}}$	Fixed timing advance offset, expressed in units of $T_s$
$N_{\text{TA,SL}}$	Timing offset between sidelink and timing reference frames at the UE, expressed in units of $T_s$
$n_{\text{PUCCH}}^{(1,\tilde{p})}$	Resource index for PUCCH formats 1/1a/1b
$n_{\text{PUCCH}}^{(2,\tilde{p})}$	Resource index for PUCCH formats 2/2a/2b
$n_{\text{PUCCH}}^{(3,\tilde{p})}$	Resource index for PUCCH formats 3
$n_{\text{PDCCH}}$	Number of PDCCCs present in a subframe
$n_{\text{PRB}}$	Physical resource block number
$n_{\text{PRB}}^{\text{RA}}$	First physical resource block occupied by PRACH resource considered
$n_{\text{PRB offset}}^{\text{RA}}$	First physical resource block available for PRACH
$n_{\text{sc}}^{\text{RA}}$	Subcarrier occupied by NPRACH resource considered
$n_{\text{VRB}}$	Virtual resource block number
$n_{\text{RNTI}}$	Radio network temporary identifier
$n_{\text{ID}}^{\text{SA}}$	Sidelink group destination identity
$n_f$	System frame number
$n_s$	Slot number within a radio frame
$n_{\text{sf}}^{\text{abs}}$	Absolute subframe number
$n_{\text{sf}}^{\text{RA}}$	Index for subframes allowed for preamble transmission
$P$	Number of antenna ports used for transmission of a channel
$p$	Antenna port number
$q$	Codeword number
$r_{\text{RA}}$	Index for PRACH versions with same preamble format and PRACH density
$Q_m$	Modulation order: 2 for QPSK, 4 for 16QAM, 6 for 64QAM and 8 for 256QAM transmissions