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using different access methods;
Part 5: Multi-Carrier Time Division Multiple Access
(MC-TDMA) methods**



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Foreword

This European Standard (Telecommunications series) has been produced by ETSI Technical Committee Transmission and Multiplexing (TM), and is now submitted for the Vote phase of the ETSI standards Two-step Approval Procedure.

The present document defines the requirements of radio terminal and radio-relay equipment and associated interfaces.

The present document is part 5 of a multi-part deliverable covering the Fixed Radio Systems; Point-to-multipoint equipment; Point-to-multipoint digital radio systems in frequency bands in the range 24,25 GHz to 29,5 GHz using different access methods, as identified below:

Part 1: "Basic parameters";

Part 2: "Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) methods";

Part 3: "Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) methods";

Part 4: "Direct Sequence Code Division Multiple Access (DS-CDMA) methods";

Part 5: "Multi-Carrier Time Division Multiple Access (MC-TDMA) methods".

Parts 2 to 5 are intended to be used in conjunction with part 1, describing the basic parameters common to all access methods.

A basic description of the different access methods and a comparison among them are provided in TR 101 274 [5].

The former title of the present document was: "Transmission and Multiplexing (TM); Digital Radio Relay Systems (DRRS); Point-to-multipoint DRRS in frequency bands in the range 24,25 GHz to 29,5 GHz using different access methods; Part 5: Multi-Carrier Time Division Multiple Access (MC-TDMA) methods".

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1 Scope

The present document is to be used in conjunction with EN 301 213-1 [1], describing the basic parameters common to all access methods.

The present document specifies the minimum requirements for system parameters of Multi-Carrier Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) Point-to-Multipoint (P-MP) Radio Systems in the terrestrial fixed services operating in the band 24,5 GHz to 29,5 GHz (see CEPT/ERC Recommendation T/R 13-02 [6]). Only sections specific to TDMA are described in respect to the clauses stated in EN 301 213-1 [1].

Multi-Carrier Time Division Multiple Access (MC-TDMA) is an alternative to TDMA, FDMA and CDMA covered in other parts of the present document. In MC-TDMA Point to Multipoint (P-MP) systems, a central station broadcasts information to terminal stations in a continuous Time Division Multiplex (TDM) or in a burst TDMA mode. The CRS and/or TS may transmit one or more sub-carriers at various frequencies, bandwidths, modulation and power levels, however the normative requirements relating to channel bandwidths and spectrum masks must be met. The Terminal stations transmit in TDMA mode. The users may have access to the spectrum by sharing it through time multiplexing.

The present document is a new draft which contains:

- Introduction of a Multi-Carrier TDMA system, where a single transmitter can transmit more than one sub-carrier.

2 References

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

- References are either specific (identified by date of publication and/or edition number or version number) or non-specific.
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- For a non-specific reference, the latest version applies.

- [1] ETSI EN 301 213-1: "Fixed Radio Systems; Point-to-multipoint equipment; Point-to-multipoint digital radio systems in frequency bands in the range 24,25 GHz to 29,5 GHz using different access methods; Part 1: Basic parameters".
- [2] ETSI EN 301 213-2: "Fixed Radio Systems; Point-to-multipoint equipment; Point-to-multipoint digital radio systems in frequency bands in the range 24,25 GHz to 29,5 GHz using different access methods; Part 2: Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) methods".
- [3] ETSI EN 301 213-3: "Fixed Radio Systems; Point-to-multipoint equipment; Point-to-multipoint digital radio systems in frequency bands in the range 24,25 GHz to 29,5 GHz using different access methods; Part 3: Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) methods".
- [4] ETSI EN 301 213-4: "Fixed Radio Systems; Point-to-multipoint equipment; Point-to-multipoint digital radio systems in frequency bands in the range 24,25 GHz to 29,5 GHz using different access methods; Part 4: Direct Sequence Code Division Multiple Access (DS-CDMA) methods".
- [5] ETSI TR 101 274: "Transmission and Multiplexing (TM); Digital Radio Relay Systems (DRRS); Point-to-multipoint DRRS in the access network: Overview of different access techniques".
- [6] CEPT/ERC Recommendation T/R 13-02: "Preferred channel arrangements for fixed services in the range 22,0 - 29,5 GHz".
- [7] ITU-R Recommendation F.1249: "Maximum equivalent isotropically radiated power of transmitting stations in the fixed service operating in the frequency band 25,25 - 27,5 GHz shared with the inter-satellite service".

3 Definitions and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the terms and definitions given in EN 301 213-1 [1] and the following apply:

gross-bit-rate: transmission bit rate over the air

NOTE 1: In case of a transmitter working in burst mode the gross bit rate is the instantaneous maximum transmission bit rate during the burst. The gross bit rate has a unique relationship to the symbol rate through the implemented modulation format.

multi-carrier: system where more than one modulated sub-carrier is radiated from the same transmitter

NOTE 2: A system that uses several transmitters into a non-active antenna is not considered as a multi-carrier system.

3.2 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the abbreviations defined in EN 301 213-1 [1] and the following apply:

CSmin minimum practical Channel Separation (for a given radio-frequency channel arrangement)

4 General characteristics

4.1 General system architecture

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 4.1.

4.2 Frequency bands and channel arrangements

4.2.1 Channel plan

Bands allocated to the Fixed Service in the range 24,5 GHz to 29,5 GHz shall be used according to CEPT/ERC Recommendation T/R 13-02 [6], annexes B and C.

Regulatory bodies may choose appropriate parts of the above mentioned frequency bands for the application for Point-to-Multipoint systems.

4.2.2 Channel arrangements

The system shall meet at least one or more of the channel arrangements listed in table 1.

Table 1: Channel arrangement

Channel Spacing [MHz]	3,5 MHz	7 MHz	14 MHz	28 MHz	56 MHz	112 MHz
System Type A						
Minimum bit rate for transmission and reception (Mbit/s)	4 Mbit/s	8 Mbit/s	16 Mbit/s	32 Mbit/s	64 Mbit/s	128 Mbit/s
System Type B						
Minimum bit rate for transmission and reception (Mbit/s)	8 Mbit/s	16 Mbit/s	32 Mbit/s	64 Mbit/s	128 Mbit/s	256 Mbit/s
System Type C						
Minimum bit rate for transmission and reception (Mbit/s)	12 Mbit/s	24 Mbit/s	48 Mbit/s	96 Mbit/s	192 Mbit/s	384 Mbit/s

NOTE 1: The minimum transmission bit rate is defined as the gross bit rate of the multi-carrier system assumed as sum of all sub-carriers gross bit rate. The sum of all upstream sub-carriers' transmission bit rates for a fully equipped system shall meet the requirements for the system type declared by the manufacturer as per table 1. Where a different aggregate gross bit rate applies in each direction, the system type declared shall indicate this by giving the system type for the downstream followed by a hyphen and then the system type for the upstream. For example, a system conforming to type C in the downstream direction and type A in the upstream direction should be declared as a type C-A. Where the system type differs for upstream and downstream, the system shall meet all requirements for the declared system type for each direction.

NOTE 2: Systems may offer a combination of Type A, Type B, and Type C, provided that such a system, when operating in mixed mode, complies with the most stringent spectral mask for the types offered. A mix mode could consist of a system that operates with different system type on a per sub-carrier or time-slot basis or both.

NOTE 3: System Type A is primarily covering 4 states or equivalent modulation.
System Type B is primarily covering 16 states or equivalent modulation.
System Type C is primarily covering 64 states or equivalent modulation.
"or equivalent" means providing the same spectral efficiency and system performance regardless of the actual modulation scheme.

NOTE 4: For regulatory purposes in national procedures for licensing radio equipment according to the present document, the above system types shall be identified by the "system type codes" reported in annex A.

NOTE 5: Allocated RF channels may be occupied by systems using any number of sub-carriers or size of sub-carrier bandwidth within a specific channel, as long as the spectrum mask for the allocated RF channel is not exceeded, for any configuration of sub-carriers.

NOTE 6: The CRS transmission, defined as the "downstream" direction, may be continuous, i.e. TDM (Time Division Multiplex). The CRS may transmit in the downstream direction even if there are no active calls, for the purpose of synchronization of the Terminal Stations.
The Terminal Stations (TS) may transmit in timeslots allocated by control signals from the CS, or on a fixed basis. The TS transmission direction is defined as "upstream". A TS may transmit control, bandwidth requests or signalling information even during the absent of users activities. TS transmissions consist of bursts of fixed or variable duration, usually an integer multiple of a fundamental timeslot duration.

4.3 Compatibility requirements

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 4.3.

4.4 Environmental conditions

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 4.4.

4.5 Power supply

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 4.5.

4.6 Electromagnetic compatibility conditions

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 4.6.

4.7 TMN interfaces

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 4.7.

4.8 Synchronization of interface bit rates

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 4.8.

4.9 Branching/feeder/antenna requirements

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 4.9.

5 System parameters for MC-TDMA P-MP systems

NOTE: Where a reference is made to the number of states of a modulation scheme or to the system type class, an equivalent modulation scheme may be applied, provided the system parameters are met.

5.1 System capacity

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 5.1.

5.2 Round trip delay

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 5.2.

5.3 Transparency

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 5.3.

5.4 Voice coding methods

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 5.4.

5.5 Transmitter characteristics

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 5.5.

5.5.1 Transmitter output power

The total mean power of the composite multi-carrier system shall refer to EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 5.5.1.

5.5.2 Transmitter nominal output power

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 5.5.2.

The power output of the transmitter at point C and C' (see figure 2 of EN 301 213-1 [1]) shall be appropriate to the mode of use:

- CRS, RS, or TS "broadcast mode". The power output shall be in conformance with EN 301 213-1 [1];
- CRS, RS or TS operating in TDMA burst mode. The power output during a burst shall be in conformance with EN 301 213-1 [1]. The power may be controlled by ATPC;
- the nominal power shall have a maximum tolerance, including setting errors, of ± 2 dB for weather protected locations, ± 3 dB for equipment in non weather protected locations and shall not exceed the maximum allowed transmitter output power.

NOTE 1: The spectrum mask requirement, which asks for a 2 dB differential tolerance among sub-carriers (see clause 5.5.4), could require a coherent tolerance for all the sub-carrier.

NOTE 2: In case of similar sub-carriers, the nominal output power for each sub-carrier would be $1/N$ of the total nominal output power of the CRS referred to point C'.

In case of dissimilar sub-carriers the relative power of each sub-carrier would depend from the actual symbol frequencies (FS) and differ by a factor $10\log(FS_1/FS_2)$.

Therefore, under operational conditions, the output power of some sub-carriers may be greater than $1/N$ of the nominal output power provided that the maximum average output power of +35 dBm is not exceeded and/or ITU-R Recommendation F.1249 [7] is fulfilled.

5.5.3 Transmitter power and frequency control

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clauses 5.5.3, 5.5.3.1, 5.5.3.2 and 5.5.3.3.

The RTPC function shall be common to all sub-carriers of the same transmitter (i.e. they are subject to the same attenuation).

The ATPC function may be implemented on a common or on a single sub-carrier base; in all cases the spectrum mask of clause 5.5.4 shall be met with the maximum provided output power of all sub-carriers.

5.5.4 RF spectrum mask

The 0 dB level shown on the spectrum masks is relative to the maximum of the modulated spectrum of the sub-carrier with the lowest spectral density, disregarding residual carriers.

When applying the spectrum mask, the spectral density of all sub-carriers shall be within 0 dB to 2 dB relatively to the reference level; see a generic example in figure 1.

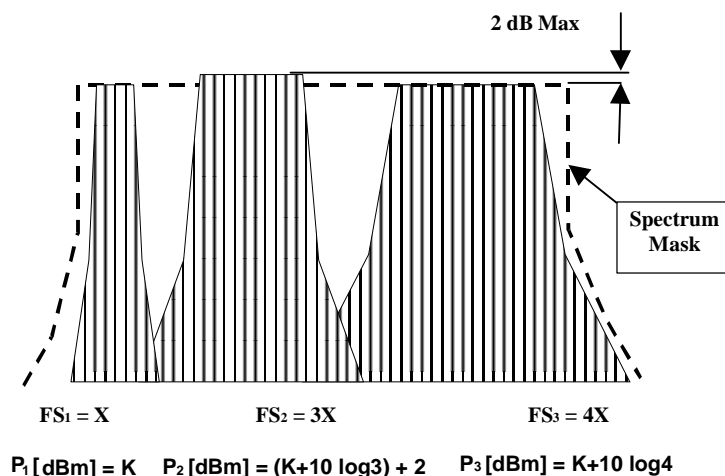


Figure 1: Example of three sub-carrier system with different symbol frequency (FS)

The masks do not include frequency tolerances.

5.5.4.1 RF spectrum density mask for the central radio station

General test load conditions to measure the spectrum mask for the CRS transceiver:

- the CRS transmitter shall work under full capacity load;
- the total output power level should be according to clause 5.5.2;
- all sub-carriers are modulated according to the input bit rate (referred to Z' in figure 2 of EN 301 213-1 [1]) declared by the manufacturer. The input signal shall be in accordance to the interfaces stated in table 2 of EN 301 213-1 [1];
- for systems that use mix mode, refer to note 2 of clause 4.2.2;
- the RF spectrum masks shown in figure 2 and table 2 apply for multi-carrier TDMA systems.

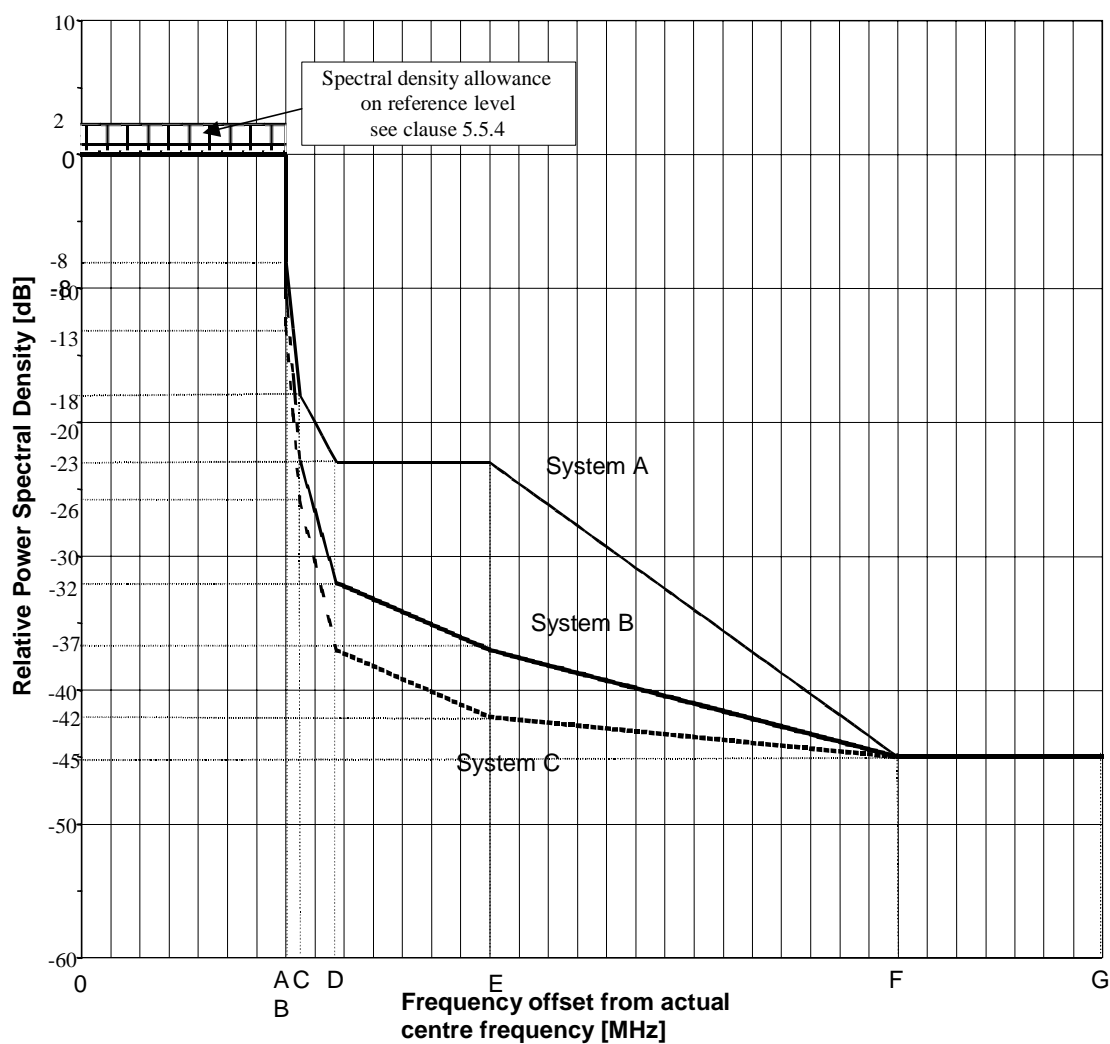


Figure 2: Spectrum masks of the composite multi-carrier system (f_o = channel centre frequency)

Table 2: Spectrum masks of the composite multi-carrier system

Co-polar channel spacing ↓	Points in figure 2 (frequency) ↓						
	Point A [MHz]	Point B [MHz]	Point C [MHz]	Point D [MHz]	Point E [MHz]	Point F [MHz]	Point G [MHz]
3,5 MHz	1,75	1,75	2	2,25	3,5	7	8,75
7 MHz	3,5	3,5	3,75	4,5	7	14	17,5
14 MHz	7	7	7,5	8,75	14	28	35
28 MHz	14	14	15	17,5	28	56	70
56 MHz	28	28	30	35	56	112	140
112 MHz	56	56	60	70	112	224	280
	Points in figure 2 (attenuation) ↓						
System Type A	0 dB	-8 dB	-18 dB	-23 dB	-23 dB	-45 dB	-45 dB
System Type B	0 dB	-10 dB	-23 dB	-32 dB	-37 dB	-45 dB	-45 dB
System Type C	0 dB	-13 dB	-26 dB	-37 dB	-42 dB	-45 dB	-45 dB

The spectrum analyser settings for measuring the RF-spectrum masks are listed in table 3.

Table 3: Spectrum analyser settings for RF power spectrum measurement

	Central Stations (CRS) and Repeater Stations (RS)						Terminal Stations (TS)
RF channel spacing (MHz)	3,5	7	14	28	56	112	any
Centre frequency	actual	actual	actual	actual	actual	actual	actual
Sweep width (MHz)	20	40	80	160	320	640	see corresponding CRS
Scan time	auto	auto	auto	auto	auto	auto	auto
IF bandwidth (kHz)	30	30	30	100	100	300	see note
Video bandwidth (kHz)	0,1	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3	1,0	
NOTE: The spectrum analyser settings for RF power Spectrum Measurement for TDMA Terminal Stations (TS) are depending on the burst duration. For a burst duration of $\approx 50 \mu s$ the recommended settings are IF bandwidth $\approx 30 \text{ kHz}$ and video bandwidth $\approx 10 \text{ kHz}$. For other burst durations, the recommended settings are as following: - IF bandwidth $\approx 30 \text{ kHz} \times 50 \mu s / (\text{burst duration in } \mu s)$; - Video bandwidth $\approx 10 \text{ kHz} \times 50 \mu s / (\text{burst duration in } \mu s)$. The supplier has to declare the burst duration.							

5.5.4.2 RF-spectrum density mask for the terminal station

The RF spectrum masks for the TS shall comply with the spectrum mask of the CRS in figure 2, irrespective of the centre frequency of the TS sub-carrier.

5.5.4.3 RF-spectrum density mask for the repeater station

The RF spectrum masks for the RS shall comply with the spectrum mask of the CRS in figure 2, irrespective of the centre frequency of the RS sub-carriers.

5.5.4.4 Discrete CW components exceeding the spectrum density mask limit (all stations)

In case some CW components exceed the spectrum mask, an additional allowance is given.

Those lines shall not:

- exceed the mask by a factor more than $\{10 \log (CS_{\min}/IF_{bw}) - 10\}$ dB;
- be spaced each other in frequency by less than CS_{\min} .

Where:

- CS_{\min} is the minimum practical channel separation for the given radio-frequency channel arrangement;
- $CS_{\min} = 1\,750$ kHz for both 26 GHz and 28 GHz bands;
- IF_{bw} is the recommended resolution IF bandwidth, expressed in kHz, reported in table 3.

Figure 3 shows a typical example of this requirement.

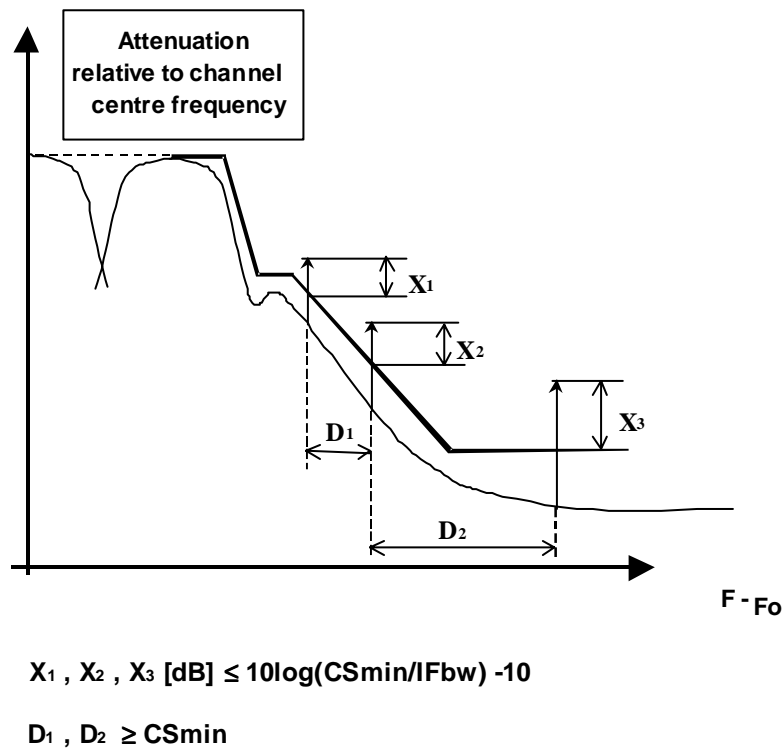


Figure 3: CW lines exceeding the spectrum mask (typical example)

5.5.5 Tx local oscillator frequency arrangements

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 5.5.5.

5.5.6 Spurious emissions (external)

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 5.5.6.

5.5.7 Radio frequency tolerance

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 5.5.7.

5.6 Receiver characteristics

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 5.6.

5.6.1 Rx local oscillator frequency arrangements

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 5.6.1.

5.6.2 Spurious emissions (external)

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 5.6.2.

5.6.3 Receiver IF

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 5.6.3.

5.7 System performance

All parameters are referred to reference points B or C of figure 2 of EN 301 213-1 [1]. All measurements shall be carried out with the test signals defined in clause 5.5 of EN 301 213-1 [1] and under full load conditions.

5.7.1 Dynamic level range

The dynamic level range shall be declared by the manufacturer at a BER of $\leq 10^{-3}$.

5.7.2 BER as a function of Receiver input Signal Level (RSL)

The input signal level of each sub-carrier presented to the receiver under test is adjusted to the levels calculated as described in the formulas below for the actual bit rate of the sub-carrier. The BER for each sub-carrier within a channel shall be less than or equal to the values defined in the formulas. For the purposes of testing, the transmitter is operated at its maximum rated power level declared by the manufacturer.

Based on the actual bit rates, the relevant receive levels of each sub-carrier shall be calculated according to the following formulas:

- System Type A:

$$RSL_{(\text{for BER } 10^{-3})} \text{ (dBm)} = -92 + 10 \times \log b;$$

$$RSL_{(\text{for BER } 10^{-6})} \text{ (dBm)} = -88 + 10 \times \log b.$$

- System Type B:

$$RSL_{(\text{for BER } 10^{-3})} \text{ (dBm)} = -87 + 10 \times \log b;$$

$$RSL_{(\text{for BER } 10^{-6})} \text{ (dBm)} = -83 + 10 \times \log b.$$

- System Type C:

$$RSL_{(\text{for BER } 10^{-3})} \text{ (dBm)} = -81,8 + 10 \times \log b;$$

$$RSL_{(\text{for BER } 10^{-6})} \text{ (dBm)} = -78,8 + 10 \times \log b.$$

b = bit rate (Mbit/s) (actual gross bit rate of each sub-carrier).

The effect of differential attenuation of the sub-carriers, due to different rain intensity within the sector and/or ATPC, shall be taken into account. Therefore the above requirement shall be met with the adjacent sub-carrier transmitter(s) operating at the maximum declared power level and the adjacent sub-carrier(s) RSL set to the higher differential power, with respect to the sub-carrier under actual measurement, permitted by the system implementation, as declared by the supplier.

5.7.3 Equipment Residual BER

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 5.7.3.

The requirement shall be met by each sub-carrier.

The effect of differential attenuation of the sub-carriers, due to different rain intensity within the sector and/or ATPC, shall be taken into account. Therefore the above requirement shall be met with the adjacent sub-carrier(s) RSL set to the higher differential power, with respect to the sub-carrier under actual measurement, permitted by the system implementation, as declared by the supplier.

5.7.4 Interference sensitivity

5.7.4.1 Co-channel interference (external)

The limits of co-channel interference (external from a like multi-carrier interfering signal) shall be as in table 4, giving maximum S/I values for 1 dB and 3 dB degradation of the 10^{-6} BER limits specified in clause 5.7.2. Limits shall be met for each sub-carrier.

Table 4: Co-channel interference sensitivity

Description	BER = 10^{-6}	
	1 dB	3 dB
Threshold degradation	S/I [dB]	S/I [dB]
Signal to Interference level		
System Type A	23	19
System Type B	30	26,5
System Type C	36	32,5

5.7.4.2 Adjacent channel interference (external)

The limits of adjacent channel interference (external from a like multicarrier interfering signal) shall be as given in table 5 for like modulated signals, giving maximum S/I values for 1 dB and 3 dB degradation of the 10^{-6} BER limits specified in clause 5.7.2. Limits shall be met for each sub-carrier.

The requirement shall be met for an interfering signal on either side of the multicarrier system centre frequency.

Table 5: Adjacent channel interference sensitivity

Description	BER = 10^{-6}	
	1 dB	3 dB
Threshold degradation	S/I [dB]	S/I [dB]
Signal to Interference level		
System Type A	0	-4
System Type B	0	-4
System Type C	0	-4

5.7.4.3 CW interference

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 5.7.4.3.

5.7.5 Distortion sensitivity

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 5.7.5.

6 Types of interfaces at the user equipment and the network node

See EN 301 213-1 [1], clause 6.

Annex A (normative):

System type codes for regulatory procedures

System types reported in the present document, shall be identified with the codes reported in table A.1.

Table A.1: System type codes for radio equipment reported in EN 301 213-5, relevant to regulatory procedures for national licensing

System type ↓	Channel spacing [MHz] ↓	CRS Bit-rate [Mbit/s] ↓	Frequency band (see note) ↓	System type codes ↓
A	3,5	4	B1	01
			B2	02
	7	8	B1	03
			B2	04
	14	16	B1	05
			B2	06
	28	32	B1	07
			B2	08
	56	64	B1	09
			B2	10
	112	128	B1	11
			B2	12
B	3,5	8	B1	13
			B2	14
	7	16	B1	15
			B2	16
	14	32	B1	17
			B2	18
	28	64	B1	19
			B2	20
	56	128	B1	21
			B2	22
	112	256	B1	23
			B2	24
C	3,5	12	B1	25
			B2	26
	7	24	B1	27
			B2	28
	14	48	B1	29
			B2	30
	28	96	B1	31
			B2	32
	56	192	B1	33
			B2	34
	112	384	B1	35
			B2	36
NOTE: Option B1 refers to systems operating in frequency band 24 500 MHz to 26 500 MHz (CEPT/ERC Recommendation T/R 13-02 [6], annex B). Option B2 refers to systems operating in frequency band 27 500 MHz to 29 500 MHz (CEPT/ERC Recommendation T/R 13-02 [6], annex C).				

Annex B (informative): Bibliography

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