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1 Scope

The present document specifies end-to-end Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for the 5G network and network slicing.

2 References

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- [1] 3GPP TR 21.905: "Vocabulary for 3GPP Specifications".
- [2] Void.
- [3] ITU-T Recommendation E.800: "Definitions of terms related to quality of service".
- [4] 3GPP TS 24.501: " Non-Access-Stratum (NAS) protocol for 5G System (5GS); Stage 3".
- [5] 3GPP TS 38.331: "NR; Radio Resource Control (RRC); Protocol specification".
- [6] 3GPP TS 28.552: "Management and orchestration; 5G performance measurements".
- [7] 3GPP TS 23.501: " System Architecture for the 5G System; Stage 2".
- [8] ETSI ES 203 228 V1.2.1 (2017-04): "Environmental Engineering (EE); Assessment of mobile network energy efficiency".
- [9] 3GPP TS 28.310: "Management and orchestration; Energy efficiency of 5G".

3 Definitions and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

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For the purposes of the present document, the abbreviations given in 3GPP 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 3GPP TR 21.905 [1].

EE	Energy Efficiency
kbit	kilobit (1000 bits)
RTT	Round Trip Time

4 End to end KPI concept and overview

The following KPI categories are included in the present document:

- Accessibility (see the definition in [3]).
- Integrity (see the definition in [3]).
- Utilization.
- Retainability (see the definition in [3]).
- Mobility.
- Energy Efficiency.

5 KPI definitions template

- a) Name (Mandatory): This field shall contain the name of the KPI.
- b) Description (Mandatory): This field shall contain the description of the KPI.
Within this field it should describe if the KPI is focusing on network or user view. This field should also describe the logical KPI formula to derive the KPI. For example, a success rate KPI's logical formula is the number of successful events divided by all events. This field should also show the KPI unit (e.g., kbit/s, millisecond) and the KPI type (e.g., mean, ratio).
- c) Formula definition (Optional):
This field should contain the KPI formula using the 3GPP defined measurement names.
This field can be used only when the measurement(s) needed for the KPI formula are defined in 3GPP TS for performance measurements (TS 28.552 [6]). This field shall clarify how the aggregation shall be done, for the KPI object level(s) defined in d).
- d) KPI Object (Mandatory):
This field shall contain the DN of the object instance where the KPI is applicable, including the object where the measurement is made. The DN identifies one object instance of the following IOC:
 - NetworkSliceSubnet
 - SubNetwork
 - NetworkSlice
 - NRCellDU
 - NRCellCU
- e) Remark (Optional):
This field is for additional information required for the KPI definition, e.g. the definition of a call in UTRAN.

6 End to end KPI definitions

6.1 KPI Overview

The KPI categories defined in [2] will be reused by the present document.

6.2 Accessibility KPI

6.2.1 Mean registered subscribers of network and network slice through AMF

- a) AMFMeanRegNbr.
- b) This KPI describe the mean number of subscribers that are registered to a network slice instance. It is obtained by counting the subscribers in AMF that are registered to a network slice instance. It is an Integer. The KPI type is MEAN.
- c) $AMFMeanRegNbr = \sum_{AMF} RM.RegisteredSubNbrMean.SNSSAI$
- d) SubNetwork, NetworkSlice

6.2.2 Registered subscribers of network through UDM

- a) UDMRegNbr.
- b) This KPI describes the total number of subscribers that are registered to a network through UDM. It is corresponding to the measurement RM.RegisteredSubUDMNbrMean that counts subscribers registered in UDM. It is an Integer. The KPI type is MEAN.
- c) $UDMRegNbr = \sum_{UDM} RM.RegisteredSubUDMNbrMean$
- d) SubNetwork

6.2.3 Registration success rate of one single network slice

- a) RSR.
- b) This KPI describes the ratio of the number of successfully performed registration procedures to the number of attempted registration procedures for the AMF set which related to one single network slice and is used to evaluate accessibility provided by the end-to-end network slice and network performance. It is obtained by successful registration procedures divided by attempted registration procedures. It is a percentage. The KPI type is RATIO.
- c)

$$RSR = \frac{\sum_{Type} AMF.5GSRegisSucc.Type}{\sum_{Type} AMF.5GSRegisAtt.Type} * 100\%$$

NOTE: Above measurements with subcounter *.Type* should be defined in 3GPP TS 24.501 [4].

- d) NetworkSlice

6.2.4 DRB Accessibility for UE services

- a) DRB Accessibility
- b) This KPI describes the DRBs setup success rate, including the success rate for setting up RRC connection and NG signalling connection. It is obtained as the success rate for RRC connection setup multiplied by the success rate for NG signalling connection setup multiplied by the success rate for DRB setup. The success rate for RRC connection setup and for NG signalling connection setup shall exclude setups with establishment cause mo-Signalling [5]. It is a percentage. The KPI type is RATIO.
- c) $DRBAccessibility\ 5QI = (\sum RRC.ConnEstabSucc.Cause / \sum RRC.ConnEstabAtt.Cause) * (\sum UECNTXT.ConnEstabSucc.Cause / \sum UECNTXT.ConnEstabAtt.Cause) * (DRB.EstabSucc.5QI / DRB.EstabAtt.5QI) * 100$

$$\text{DRB Accessibility SNSSAI} = \left(\frac{\sum \text{RRC.ConnEstabSucc.Cause}}{\sum \text{RRC.ConnEstabAtt.Cause}} \right) * \left(\frac{\sum \text{UECNTXT.ConnEstabSucc.Cause}}{\sum \text{UECNTXT.ConnEstabAtt.Cause}} \right) * \left(\frac{\text{DRB.EstabSucc.SNSSAI}}{\text{DRB.EstabAtt.SNSSAI}} \right) * 100.$$

The sum over causes shall exclude the establishment cause mo-Signalling [5].

For KPI on SubNetwork level the measurement shall be the averaged over all NRCellICUs in the SubNetwork

- d) SubNetwork, NRCellICU.

6.2.5 PDU session Establishment success rate of one network slice (S-NSSAI)

- a) PDUSessionEstSR.

- b) This KPI describes the ratio of the number of successful PDU session establishment request to the number of PDU session establishment request attempts for all SMF which related to one network slice (S-NSSAI) and is used to evaluate accessibility provided by the end-to-end network slice and network performance. It is obtained by the number of successful PDU session requests divided by the number of attempted PDU session requests. It is a percentage. The KPI type is RATIO.

$$c) \text{PDUSessionEstSR} = \frac{\sum_{SMF} SM.PduSessionCreationSucc.SNSSAI}{\sum_{SMF} SM.PduSessionCreationReq.SNSSAI} \times 100$$

- d) NetworkSlice

6.3 Integrity KPI

6.3.1 Latency and delay of 5G networks

6.3.1.0 Void

6.3.1.1 Downlink latency in gNB-DU

- a) DLLat_gNB-DU.

- b) This KPI describes the gNB-DU part of the packet transmission latency experienced by an end-user. It is used to evaluate the gNB latency contribution to the total packet latency. It is the average (arithmetic mean) of the time from reception of IP packet to gNB-DU until transmission of first part of that packet over the air interface, for a packet arriving when there is no previous data in queue for transmission to the UE. It is a time interval (0.1 ms). The KPI type is MEAN. This KPI can optionally be split into KPIs per QoS level (mapped 5QI or QCI in NR option 3) and per S-NSSAI.

- c) $\text{DLLat_gNB-DU} = \text{DRB.RlcSduLatencyDI}$

or optionally $\text{DLLat_gNB-DU.QoS} = \text{DRB.RlcSduLatencyDI.QoS}$ where QoS identifies the target QoS quality of service class.

or optionally $\text{DLLat_gNB-DU.SNSSAI} = \text{DRB.RlcSduLatencyDI.SNSSAI}$ where SNSSAI identifies the S-NSSAI.

- d) NRCellIDU

6.3.1.2 Integrated downlink delay in RAN

6.3.1.2.1 Downlink delay in NG-RAN for a sub-network

- a) $DLDelay_NR_SNw$.
- b) This KPI describes the average packet transmission delay through the RAN part to the UE. It is used to evaluate delay performance of NG-RAN in downlink for a sub-network. It is the weighted average packets delay from reception of IP packet in gNB-CU-UP until the last part of an RLC SDU packet was received by the UE according to received HARQ feedback information for UM mode or until the last part of an RLC SDU packet was received by the UE according to received RLC ACK for AM mode. It is a time interval (0.1 ms). The KPI type is MEAN. This KPI can optionally be split into KPIs per QoS level (mapped 5QI or QCI in NR option 3) and per S-NSSAI.
- c) Below are the equations for average "Integrated downlink delay in RAN" for this KPI on SubNetwork level. The "Integrated downlink delay in RAN" is the sum of average DL delay in gNB-CU-UP of the sub-network ($DLDelay_gNBCUUP_SNw$) and the average DL delay in gNB-DU of the sub-network ($DLDelay_gNBBDU_SNw$):

$$DLDelay_NR_SNw = DLDelay_gNBCUUP_SNw + DLDelay_gNBBDU_SNw$$

or optionally $DLDelay_NR_SNw.QOS = DLDelay_gNBCUUP_SNw.QOS + DLDelay_gNBBDU_SNw.QOS$ where QOS identifies the target quality of service class.

or optionally $DLDelay_NR_SNw.SNSSAI = DLDelay_gNBCUUP_SNw.SNSSAI + DLDelay_gNBBDU_SNw.SNSSAI$ where $SNSSAI$ identifies the S-NSSAI.

- d) SubNetwork

6.3.1.2.2 Downlink delay in NG-RAN for a network slice subnet

- a) $DLDelay_NR_Nss$.
- b) This KPI describes the average packet transmission delay through the RAN part to the UE. It is used to evaluate delay performance of NG-RAN in downlink for a network slice subnet. It is the weighted average packets delay from reception of IP packet in gNB-CU-UP until the last part of an RLC SDU packet was received by the UE according to received HARQ feedback information for UM mode or until the last part of an RLC SDU packet was received by the UE according to received RLC ACK for AM mode. It is a time interval (0.1 ms). The KPI type is MEAN.
- c) Below is the equation for average "Integrated downlink delay in RAN" for this KPI on NetworkSliceSubnet level. The "Integrated downlink delay in RAN" for network slice subnet is the sum of average DL delay in gNB-CU-UP of the network slice subnet ($DLDelay_gNBCUUP_Nss$) and the average DL delay in gNB-DU of the network slice subnet ($DLDelay_gNBBDU_Nss$):

$$DLDelay_NR_Nss.SNSSAI = DLDelay_gNBCUUP_Nss.SNSSAI + DLDelay_gNBBDU_Nss.SNSSAI \text{ where } SNSSAI \text{ identifies the S-NSSAI that the network slice subnet supports.}$$

- d) NetworkSliceSubnet

6.3.1.3 Downlink delay in gNB-DU

6.3.1.3.1 Downlink delay in gNB-DU for a NRCellIDU

- a) $DLDelay_gNBBDU_Cell$.
- b) This KPI describes the average packet transmission delay through the gNB-DU part to the UE. It is used to evaluate delay performance of gNB-DU in downlink. It is the average packets delay time from arrival of an RLC SDU at the RLC ingress F1-U termination until the last part of an RLC SDU packet was received by the UE according to received HARQ feedback information for UM mode or until the last part of an RLC SDU packet was received by the UE according to received RLC ACK for AM mode. It is a Time interval (0.1 ms). The KPI type is MEAN. This KPI can optionally be split into KPIs per QoS level (mapped 5QI or QCI in NR option 3) and per S-NSSAI.

c) Below is the equation for average DL delay in gNB-DU for a NRCellIDU:

$$DLDelay_gNB_DU_Cell = DRB.RlcSduDelayDl + DRB.AirIfDelayDl.$$

and optionally: $DLDelay_gNB_DU_QoS = DRB.RlcSduDelayDl.QoS + DRB.AirIfDelayDl.QoS$ where QoS identifies the target quality of service class.

and optionally: $DLDelay_gNB_SNSSAI = DRB.RlcSduDelayDl.SNSSAI + DRB.AirIfDelayDl.SNSSAI$ where $SNSSAI$ identifies the S-NSSAI

d) NRCellIDU

6.3.1.3.2 Downlink delay in gNB-DU for a sub-network

a) $DLDelay_gNB_DU_SNw$.

b) This KPI describes the average packet transmission delay through the gNB-DU part to the UE. It is used to evaluate delay performance of gNB-DU in downlink for a sub-network. It is the weighted average packets delay time from arrival of an RLC SDU at the RLC ingress F1-U termination until the last part of an RLC SDU packet was received by the UE according to received HARQ feedback information for UM mode or until the last part of an RLC SDU packet was received by the UE according to received RLC ACK for AM mode. It is a Time interval (0.1 ms). The KPI type is MEAN. This KPI can optionally be split into KPIs per QoS level (mapped 5QI or QCI in NR option 3) and per S-NSSAI.

c) Below is the equation for average DL delay in gNB-DU for a sub-network, where

- W is the measurement for the weighted average, one of the following:
 - the DL data volume of the NR cell;
 - the number of UL user data packets of the NR cell;
 - any other types of weight defined by the consumer of KPI
- the $\#NRCellIDU$ is the number of NRCellIDU's in the SubNetwork.

$$DLDelay_gNB_DU_SNw = \frac{\sum_1^{\#NRCellIDU} ((DRB.RlcSduDelayDl + DRB.AirIfDelayDl) * W)}{\sum_1^{\#NRCellIDU} (W)}$$

and optionally KPI on SubNetwork level per QoS and per S-NSSAI:

$$DLDelay_gNB_DU_SNw.QoS = \frac{\sum_1^{\#NRCellIDU} ((DRB.RlcSduDelayDl.QoS + DRB.AirIfDelayDl.QoS) * W.QoS)}{\sum_1^{\#NRCellIDU} (W.QoS)}$$

$$DLDelay_gNB_DU_SNw.SNSSAI = \frac{\sum_1^{\#NRCellIDU} ((DRB.RlcSduDelayDl.SNSSAI + DRB.AirIfDelayDl.SNSSAI) * W.SNSSAI)}{\sum_1^{\#NRCellIDU} (W.SNSSAI)}$$

d) SubNetwork

6.3.1.3.3 Downlink delay in gNB-DU for a network slice subnet

a) $DLDelay_gNB_DU_Nss$.

b) This KPI describes the average packet transmission delay through the gNB-DU part to the UE. It is used to evaluate delay performance of gNB-DU in downlink for a network slice subnet. It is the weighted average packets delay time from arrival of an RLC SDU at the RLC ingress F1-U termination until the last part of an RLC SDU packet was received by the UE according to received HARQ feedback information for UM mode or until the last part of an RLC SDU packet was received by the UE according to received RLC ACK for AM mode. It is a Time interval (0.1 ms). The KPI type is MEAN.

c) Below is the equation for average DL delay in gNB-DU for a network slice subnet, where

- W is the measurement for the weighted average, one of the following:
 - the DL data volume of the NR cell;

- the number of DL user data packets of the NR cell;
- any other types of weight requested by the consumer of KPI;
- the #NRCeIDU is the number of NRCeIDU's associated with the NetworkSliceSubnet.

$$DLDelay_gNBDU_Nss.SNSSAI = \frac{\sum_1^{\#NRCeIDU} ((DRB.RlcSduDelayDL.SNSSAI + DRB.AirIfDelayDL.SNSSAI) * W.SNSSAI)}{\sum_1^{\#NRCeIDU} (W.SNSSAI)}$$

d) NetworkSliceSubnet

6.3.1.4 Downlink delay in gNB-CU-UP

6.3.1.4.1 Downlink delay in gNB-CU-UP

- a) DLDelay_gNBCUUP.
- b) This KPI describes the average packet transmission delay through the gNB-CU-UP to the gNB-DU. It is used to evaluate the delay performance of gNB-CU-UP in downlink. It is the average packets delay from reception of IP packet in gNB-CU-UP until the time of arrival, at the gNB-DU, of the RLC SDU at the RLC ingress F1-U termination. It is a Time interval (0.1 ms). The KPI type is MEAN. This KPI can optionally be split into KPIs per QoS level (mapped 5QI or QCI in NR option 3) and per S-NSSAI.
- c) Below the equation for average DL delay in a gNB-CU-CP:

$$DLDelay_gNBCUUP = DRB.PdcpSduDelayDI + DRB.PdcpF1Delay$$

and optionally: $DLDelay_gNBCUUP.QOS = DRB.PdcpSduDelayDI.QOS + DRB.PdcpF1Delay.QOS$ where QOS identifies the target quality of service class.

and optionally: $DLDelay_gNBCUUP.SNSSAI = DRB.PdcpSduDelayDI.SNSSAI + DRB.PdcpF1Delay.SNSSAI$ where SNSSAI identifies the S-NSSAI.

- d) GNBCUUPFunction
- e) In non-split gNB scenario, the value of DRB.PdcpF1Delay (optionally DRB.PdcpF1Delay.QOS, and optionally DRB.PdcpF1Delay.SNSSAI) is set to zero because there are no F1-interfaces in this scenario.

6.3.1.4.2 Downlink delay in gNB-CU-UP for a sub-network

- a) DLDelay_gNBCUUP_SNw.
- b) This KPI describes the average packet transmission delay through the gNB-CU-UP to the gNB-DU. It is used to evaluate the delay performance of gNB-CU-UP in downlink for a sub-network. It is the weighted average packets delay from reception of IP packet in gNB-CU-UP until the time of arrival, at the gNB-DU, of the RLC SDU at the RLC ingress F1-U termination. It is a Time interval (0.1 ms). The KPI type is MEAN. This KPI can optionally be split into KPIs per QoS level (mapped 5QI or QCI in NR option 3) and per S-NSSAI.
- c) Below is the equation for average UL delay in gNB-CU-UP for a sub-network, where
- W is the measurement for the weighted average, one of the following:
 - the DL data volume in gNB-CU-UP;
 - the number of DL user data packets in gNB-CU-UP;
 - any other types of weight requested by the consumer of KPI;
 - the #GNBCUUPFunctions is the number of GNBCUUPFunctions's in the SubNetwork.

$$DLDelay_gNBCUUP_SNw = \frac{\sum_1^{\#GNBCUUPFunction} ((DRB.PdcpSduDelayDI + DRB.PdcpF1Delay) * W)}{\sum_1^{\#GNBCUUPFunction} (W)}$$

and optionally KPI on SubNetwork level per QoS and per S-NSSAI:

$$DLDelay_gNBCUUP_SNw_QoS = \frac{\sum_1^{\#GNBCUUPFunction} ((DRB.PdcpSduDelayDl.QoS + DRB.PdcpF1Delay.QoS) * W.QoS)}{\sum_1^{\#GNBCUUPFunction} (W.QoS)}$$

$$DLDelay_gNBCUUP_SNw_SNSSAI = \frac{\sum_1^{\#GNBCUUPFunction} ((DRB.PdcpSduDelayDl.SNSSAI + DRB.PdcpF1Delay.SNSSAI) * W.SNSSAI)}{\sum_1^{\#GNBCUUPFunction} (W.SNSSAI)}$$

d) SubNetwork

e) In non-split gNB scenario, the value of DRB.PdcpF1Delay (optionally DRB.PdcpF1Delay.QoS, and optionally DRB.PdcpF1Delay.SNSSAI) is set to zero because there are no F1-interfaces in this scenario.

6.3.1.4.3 Downlink delay in gNB-CU-UP for a network slice subnet

a) DLDelay_gNBCUUP_Nss.

b) This KPI describes the average packet transmission delay through the gNB-CU-UP to gNB-DU. It is used to evaluate the delay performance of gNB-CU-UP in downlink for a network slice subnet. It is the weighted average packets delay from reception of IP packet in gNB-CU-UP until the time of arrival, at the gNB-DU, of the RLC SDU at the RLC ingress F1-U termination. It is a Time interval (0.1 ms). The KPI type is MEAN.

c) Below is the equation for average UL delay in gNB-CU-UP for a network slice subnet, where

- W is the measurement for the weighted average, one of the following:
 - the DL data volume in gNB-CU-UP;
 - the number of DL user data packets in gNB-CU-UP;
 - any other types of weight requested by the consumer of KPI;
- the # GNBCUUPFunctions is the number of GNBCUUPFunctions's associated with the NetworkSliceSubnet.

$$DLDelay_gNBCUUP_Nss_SNSSAI = \frac{\sum_1^{\#GNBCUUPFunction} ((DRB.PdcpSduDelayDl.SNSSAI + DRB.PdcpF1Delay.SNSSAI) * W.SNSSAI)}{\sum_1^{\#GNBCUUPFunction} (W.SNSSAI)}$$

d) NetworkSliceSubnet

e) In non-split gNB scenario, the value of DRB.PdcpF1Delay.SNSSAI is set to zero because there are no F1-interfaces in this scenario.

6.3.1.5 Uplink delay in gNB-DU

6.3.1.5.1 Uplink delay in gNB-DU for a NR cell

a) ULDelay_gNBdu_Cell.

b) This KPI describes the average packet transmission delay through the gNB-DU part from the UE in a NR cell. It is used to evaluate delay performance of gNB-DU in uplink. It is the average packet delay from when an UL RLC SDU was scheduled, as per the scheduling grant provided, until time when the RLC SDU is sent to PDCP or CU for split gNB. It is a time interval (0.1 ms). The KPI type is MEAN. This KPI can optionally be split into KPIs per QoS level (mapped 5QI or QCI in NR option 3) and per S-NSSAI.

c) Below is the equation for average UL delay in gNB-DU for a NRCellDU:

$$ULDelay_gNBdu_Cell = DRB.RlcDelayUI + DRB.AirIfDelayUI$$

and optionally: $ULDelay_gNBdu_QoS = DRB.RlcDelayUI.QoS + DRB.AirIfDelayUI.QoS$ where QoS identifies the target quality of service class.

and optionally: $ULDelay_gNBdu_SNSSAI = DRB.RlcDelayUI.SNSSAI + DRB.AirIfDelayUI.SNSSAI$ where SNSSAI identifies the S-NSSAI.

d) NRCellIDU

6.3.1.5.2 Uplink delay in gNB-DU for a sub-network

a) ULDelay_gNBDU_SNw.

b) This KPI describes the average packet transmission delay through the gNB-DU part from the UE for a sub-network. It is used to evaluate delay performance of gNB-DU in uplink for a sub-network. It is the weighted average packet delay from when an UL RLC SDU was scheduled, as per the scheduling grant provided, until time when the RLC SDU is sent to PDCP or CU for split gNB. It is a time interval (0.1 ms). The KPI type is MEAN. This KPI can optionally be split into KPIs per QoS level (mapped 5QI or QCI in NR option 3) and per S-NSSAI.

c) Below is the equation for average UL delay in gNB-DU for a sub-network, where

- W is the measurement for the weighted average, one of the following:
 - the UL data volume of the NR cell;
 - the number of UL user data packets of the NR cell;
 - any other types of weight defined by the consumer of KPI
- the #NRCellIDU is the number of NRCellIDU's in the SubNetwork.

$$ULDelay_gNBDU_SNw = \frac{\sum_1^{\#NRCellIDU} ((DRB.RlcDelayUl + DRB.AirIfDelayUl) * W)}{\sum_1^{\#NRCellIDU} (W)}$$

and optionally KPI on SubNetwork level per QoS and per S-NSSAI:

$$ULDelay_gNBDU_SNw.QoS = \frac{\sum_1^{\#NRCellIDU} ((DRB.RlcDelayUl.QoS + DRB.AirIfDelayUl.QoS) * W.QoS)}{\sum_1^{\#NRCellIDU} (W.QoS)}$$

$$ULDelay_gNBDU_SNw.SNSSAI = \frac{\sum_1^{\#NRCellIDU} ((DRB.RlcDelayUl.SNSSAI + DRB.AirIfDelayUl.SNSSAI) * W.SNSSAI)}{\sum_1^{\#NRCellIDU} (W.SNSSAI)}$$

d) SubNetwork

6.3.1.5.3 Uplink delay in gNB-DU for a network slice subnet

a) ULDelay_gNBDU_Nss.

b) This KPI describes the average packet transmission delay through the gNB-DU part from the UE for a network slice subnet. It is used to evaluate delay performance of gNB-DU in uplink for a network slice subnet. It is the weighted average packet delay from when an UL RLC SDU was scheduled, as per the scheduling grant provided, until time when the RLC SDU is sent to PDCP or CU for split gNB. It is a time interval (0.1 ms). The KPI type is MEAN.

c) Below is the equation for average UL delay in gNB-DU for a network slice subnet, where

- W is the measurement for the weighted average, one of the following:
 - the UL data volume of the NR cell;
 - the number of UL user data packets of the NR cell;
 - any other types of weight requested by the consumer of KPI;
- the #NRCellIDU is the number of NRCellIDU's associated with the NetworkSliceSubnet.

$$ULDelay_gNBDU_Nss.SNSSAI = \frac{\sum_1^{\#NRCellIDU} ((DRB.RlcDelayUl.SNSSAI + DRB.AirIfDelayUl.SNSSAI) * W.SNSSAI)}{\sum_1^{\#NRCellIDU} (W.SNSSAI)}$$

d) NetworkSliceSubnet

6.3.1.6 Uplink delay in gNB-CU-UP

6.3.1.6.1 Uplink delay in gNB-CU-UP

- a) $ULDelay_gNBCUUP$.
- b) This KPI describes the average packet transmission delay through the gNB-CU-UP from gNB-DU. It is used to evaluate delay performance of gNB-CU-UP in uplink. It is the average packet delay from when the RLC SDU is sent to PDCP or CU for split gNB, until time when the corresponding PDCP SDU was sent to the core network from gNB-CU-UP. It is a time interval (0.1 ms). The KPI type is MEAN. This KPI can optionally be split into KPIs per QoS level (mapped 5QI or QCI in NR option 3) and per S-NSSAI.
- c) Below the equation for average UL delay in a gNB-CU-UP:
- $$ULDelay_gNBCUUP = DRB.PdcpReordDelayUl + DRB.PdcpF1Delay$$
- and optionally: $ULDelay_gNBCUUP.QoS = DRB.PdcpReordDelayUl.QoS + DRB.PdcpF1Delay.QoS$ where QoS identifies the target quality of service class.
- and optionally: $ULDelay_gNBCUUP.SNSSAI = DRB.PdcpReordDelayUl.SNSSAI + DRB.PdcpF1Delay.SNSSAI$ where $SNSSAI$ identifies the S-NSSAI.
- d) $GNBCUUPFunction$
- e) It is assumed that the F1 uplink delay is the same as the F1 downlink delay. In non-split gNB scenario, the value of $DRB.PdcpF1Delay$ (optionally $DRB.PdcpF1Delay.QoS$, and optionally $DRB.PdcpF1Delay.SNSSAI$) is set to zero because there are no F1-interfaces in this scenario.

6.3.1.6.2 Uplink delay in gNB-CU-UP for a sub-network

- a) $ULDelay_gNBCUUP_SNw$.
- b) This KPI describes the average packet transmission delay through the gNB-CU-UP part from the gNB-DU for a sub-network. It is used to evaluate delay performance of gNB-CU-UP in uplink for a sub-network. It is the weighted average packet delay from when the RLC SDU is sent to PDCP or CU for split gNB, until time when the corresponding PDCP SDU was sent to the core network from gNB-CU-UP. It is a time interval (0.1 ms). The KPI type is MEAN. This KPI can optionally be split into KPIs per QoS level (mapped 5QI or QCI in NR option 3) and per S-NSSAI.
- c) Below is the equation for average UL delay in gNB-CU-UP for a sub-network, where
- W is the measurement for the weighted average, one of the following:
 - the UL data volume in gNB-CU-UP ;
 - the number of UL user data packets in gNB-CU-UP ;
 - any other types of weight requested by the consumer of KPI;
 - the # $GNBCUUPFunction$ s is the number of $GNBCUUPFunction$'s in the SubNetwork.

$$ULDelay_gNBCUUP_SNw = \frac{\sum_1^{\#GNBCUUPFunction} ((DRB.PdcpReordDelayUl + DRB.PdcpF1Delay) * W)}{\sum_1^{\#GNBCUUPFunction} (W)}$$

and optionally KPI on SubNetwork level per QoS and per S-NSSAI:

$$ULDelay_gNBCUUP_SNw.QoS = \frac{\sum_1^{\#GNBCUUPFunction} ((DRB.PdcpReordDelayUl.QoS + DRB.PdcpF1Delay.QoS) * W.QoS)}{\sum_1^{\#GNBCUUPFunction} (W.QoS)}$$

$$ULDelay_gNBCUUP_SNw.SNSSAI = \frac{\sum_1^{\#GNBCUUPFunction} ((DRB.PdcpReordDelayUl.SNSSAI + DRB.PdcpF1Delay.SNSSAI) * W.SNSSAI)}{\sum_1^{\#GNBCUUPFunction} (W.SNSSAI)}$$

- d) SubNetwork

- e) It is assumed that the F1 uplink delay is the same as the F1 downlink delay. In non-split gNB scenario, the value of DRB.PdcpF1Delay (optionally DRB.PdcpF1Delay.QOS, and optionally DRB.PdcpF1Delay.SNSSAI) is set to zero because there are no F1-interfaces in this scenario.

6.3.1.6.3 Uplink delay in gNB-CU-UP for a network slice subnet

- a) ULDelay_gNBCUUP_Nss.
- b) This KPI describes the average packet transmission delay through the gNB-CU-UP part from the gNB-DU for a network slice subnet. It is used to evaluate delay performance of gNB-CU-UP in uplink for a network slice subnet. It is the weighted average packet delay from when the RLC SDU is sent to PDCP or CU for split gNB, until time when the corresponding PDCP SDU was sent to the core network from gNB-CU-UP. It is a time interval (0.1 ms). The KPI type is MEAN. This KPI can optionally be split into KPIs per QoS level (mapped 5QI or QCI in NR option 3) and per S-NSSAI.
- c) Below is the equation for average UL delay in gNB-CU-UP for a network slice subnet, where
- W is the measurement for the weighted average, one of the following:
 - the UL data volume in gNB-CU-UP;
 - the number of UL user data packets in gNB-CU-UP;
 - any other types of weight requested by the consumer of KPI;
 - the # GNBCUUPFunctions is the number of GNBCUUPFunctions's associated with the NetworkSliceSubnet.

$$\text{ULDelay_gNBCUUP_Nss.SNSSAI} = \frac{\sum_1^{\#\text{GNBCUUPFunction}} (\text{DRB.PdcpReordDelayUL.SNSSAI} + \text{DRB.PdcpF1Delay.SNSSAI}) * W.SNSSAI}{\sum_1^{\#\text{GNBCUUPFunction}} (W.SNSSAI)}$$

- d) NetworkSliceSubnet
- e) It is assumed that the F1 uplink delay is the same as the F1 downlink delay. In non-split gNB scenario, the value of DRB.PdcpF1Delay.SNSSAI is set to zero because there are no F1-interfaces in this scenario.

6.3.1.7 Integrated uplink delay in RAN

6.3.1.7.1 Uplink delay in NG-RAN for a sub-network

- a) ULDelay_NR_SNw.
- b) This KPI describes the average packet transmission delay through the RAN part from the UE for a sub-network. It is used to evaluate delay performance of NG-RAN in uplink. It is the weighted average packet delay from when an UL RLC SDU was scheduled, as per the scheduling grant provided, until time when the corresponding PDCP SDU was sent to the core network from gNB-CU-UP. It is a time interval (0.1 ms). The KPI type is MEAN. This KPI can optionally be split into KPIs per QoS level (mapped 5QI or QCI in NR option 3) and per S-NSSAI.
- c) Below are the equations for average "Integrated uplink delay in RAN" for this KPI on SubNetwork level. The "Integrated uplink delay in RAN" is the sum of average UL delay in gNB-CU-UP of the sub-network (ULDelay_gNBCUUP_SNw) and the average UL delay in gNB-DU of the sub-network (ULDelay_gNBBDU_SNw):

$$\text{ULDelay_NR_SNw} = \text{ULDelay_gNBCUUP_SNw} + \text{ULDelay_gNBBDU_SNw}$$

or optionally $\text{ULDelay_NR_SNw.QOS} = \text{ULDelay_gNBCUUP_SNw.QOS} + \text{ULDelay_gNBBDU_SNw.QOS}$ where QOS identifies the target quality of service class.

or optionally $\text{ULDelay_NR_SNw.SNSSAI} = \text{ULDelay_gNBCUUP_SNw.SNSSAI} + \text{ULDelay_gNBBDU_SNw.SNSSAI}$ where SNSSAI identifies the S-NSSAI.

- d) SubNetwork

6.3.1.7.2 Uplink delay in NG-RAN for a network slice subnet

- a) $ULDelay_NR_Nss$.
- b) This KPI describes the average packet transmission delay through the RAN part from the UE for a network slice subnet. It is used to evaluate delay performance of NG-RAN in uplink. It is the weighted average packet delay from when an UL RLC SDU was scheduled, as per the scheduling grant provided, until time when the corresponding PDCP SDU was sent to the core network from gNB-CU-UP. It is a time interval (0.1 ms). The KPI type is MEAN. This KPI can optionally be split into KPIs per QoS level (mapped 5QI or QCI in NR option 3) and per S-NSSAI.
- c) Below is the equation for average “Integrated uplink delay in RAN” for this KPI on NetworkSliceSubNet level. The “Integrated uplink delay in RAN” for network slice subnet is the sum of average UL delay in gNB-CU-UP of the network slice subnet ($ULDelay_gNBCUUP_Nss$) and the average UL delay in gNB-DU of the network slice subnet ($ULDelay_gNBdu_Nss$):

$ULDelay_NR_Nss.SNSSAI = ULDelay_gNBCUUP_Nss.SNSSAI + ULDelay_gNBdu_Nss.SNSSAI$ where $SNSSAI$ identifies the S-NSSAI that the network slice subnet supports.

- d) NetworkSliceSubnet

6.3.1.8 E2E delay for network slice

6.3.1.8.1 Average e2e uplink delay for a network slice

- a) DelayE2EUINs.
- b) This KPI describes the average e2e UL packet delay between the PSA UPF and the UE for a network slice. It is the weighted average packet delay from the time when an UL RLC SDU was scheduled at the UE until the time when the corresponding GTP PDU was received by the PSA UPF. The KPI type is MEAN in unit of 0.1 ms.
- c) This KPI is the weighted average of UL packet delay between PSA UPF and UE, for all N3 interfaces (modelled by EP_N3 MOIs) and N9 interfaces (modelled by EP_N9 MOIs) of all PSA UPFs supporting the network slice (modelled by NetworkSlice MOI) identified by the S-NSSAI.

This KPI is calculated in the equation below, where $Wn3$ and $Wn9$ are the measurements for the weighted average, $Wn3$ is one of the following:

- the data volume of UL GTP PDUs received by PSA UPF on the N3 interface;
- the number of UL GTP PDUs received by PSA UPF on the N3 interface;
- any other types of weight defined by the consumer of KPI.

And $Wn9$ is one of the following:

- the data volume of UL GTP PDUs received by PSA UPF on the N9 interface;
- the number of UL GTP PDUs received by PSA UPF on the N9 interface;
- any other types of weight defined by the consumer of KPI.

DelayE2EUINs =

$$\frac{\sum_{EP_N3}(GTP.DelayUIPsaUpfUeMean.SNSSAI * Wn3.SNSSAI) + \sum_{EP_N9}(GTP.DelayUIPsaUpfUeMean.SNSSAI * Wn9.SNSSAI)}{\sum_{EP_N3} Wn3.SNSSAI + \sum_{EP_N9} Wn9.SNSSAI}$$

Where the $SNSSAI$ identifies the S-NSSAI.

- d) NetworkSlice.

6.3.1.8.2 Average e2e downlink delay for a network slice

- a) DelayE2EDINs.
- b) This KPI describes the average e2e DL packet delay between the PSA UPF and the UE for a network slice. It is the weighted average packet delay from the time when a GTP PDU has been sent by the PSA UPF until time when the corresponding RLC SDU was received by the UE. The KPI type is MEAN in unit of 0.1 ms.
- c) This KPI is the weighted average of DL packet delay between PSA UPF and UE, for all N3 interfaces (modelled by EP_N3 MOIs) and N9 interfaces (modelled by EP_N9 MOIs) of all PSA UPFs supporting the network slice (modelled by NetworkSlice MOI) identified by the S-NSSAI.

This KPI is calculated in the equation below, where Wn3 and Wn9 are the measurements for the weighted average, Wn3 is one of the following:

- the data volume of DL GTP PDUs transmitted by PSA UPF on the N3 interface;
- the number of DL GTP PDUs transmitted by PSA UPF on the N3 interface;
- any other types of weight defined by the consumer of KPI.

And Wn9 is one of the following:

- the data volume of DL GTP PDUs transmitted by PSA UPF on the N9 interface;
- the number of DL GTP PDUs transmitted by PSA UPF on the N9 interface;
- any other types of weight defined by the consumer of KPI.

DelayE2EDINs =

$$\frac{\sum_{EP_N3} (GTP.DelayDIPsaUpfUeMean.SNSSAI * GTP.Wn3.SNSSAI) + \sum_{EP_N9} (GTP.DelayDIPsaUpfUeMean.SNSSAI * Wn9.SNSSAI)}{\sum_{EP_N3} Wn3.SNSSAI + \sum_{EP_N9} Wn9.SNSSAI}$$

Where the *SNSSAI* identifies the S-NSSAI.

- d) NetworkSlice.

6.3.2 Upstream throughput for network and Network Slice Instance

- a) UTSNSI.
- b) This KPI describes the upstream throughput of one single network slice by computing the packet size for each successfully received UL packet through the network slice during each observing granularity period and is used to evaluate integrity performance of the end-to-end network slice. It is obtained by measuring the total number of upstream octets provided by N3 interface from NG-RAN to all UPFs, related to the single network slice, divided by the granularity period (in milliseconds). The KPI unit is kbit/s and the KPI type is MEAN.

$$c) UTSNSI = \frac{\sum_{UPF} GTP.InDataOctN3UPF.SNSSAI}{GranularityPeriod} \times 8$$

- d) NetworkSlice, SubNetwork.

6.3.3 Downstream throughput for Single Network Slice Instance

- a) DTSNSI.
- b) This KPI describes the downstream throughput of one single network slice instance by computing the packet size for each successfully transmitted DL packet through the network slice instance during each observing granularity period and is used to evaluate integrity performance of the end-to-end network slice instance. It is obtained by measuring the total number of downstream octets provided by N3 interface from all UPFs to NG-RAN, related to the single network slice, divided by the granularity period (in milliseconds). The KPI unit is kbit/s and the KPI type is MEAN.

$$c) DTSNSI = \frac{\sum_{UPF} GTP.OutDataOctN3UPF.SNSSAI}{GranularityPeriod} \times 8$$

d) NetworkSlice, SubNetwork.

6.3.4 Upstream Throughput at N3 interface

a) UGTPTN.

b) This KPI describes the throughput of incoming GTP data packets on the N3 interface (measured at UPF) which have been generated by the GTP-U protocol entity on the N3 interface, during a granularity period. This KPI is used to evaluate upstream GTP throughput integrity performance at the N3 interface. It is obtained by measuring the total number of octets GTP data packets upstream provided by N3 interface from NG-RAN to UPF, divided by the granularity period (in milliseconds). The KPI unit is kbit/s and the KPI type is MEAN.

$$c) UGTPTN = \frac{GTP.InDataOctN3UPF}{GranularityPeriod} \times 8$$

d) UPFFunction

6.3.5 Downstream Throughput at N3 interface

a) DGTPTN.

b) This KPI describes the throughput of all downstream GTP data packets on the N3 interface (transmitted downstream from UPF) which have been generated by the GTP-U protocol entity on the N3 interface, during a granularity period. This KPI is used to evaluate integrity performance at N3 interface. It is obtained by measuring the total number of octets GTP data packets downstream provided by N3 interface from UPF to NG-RAN, divided by the granularity period (in milliseconds). The KPI unit is kbit/s and the KPI type is MEAN.

$$c) GTPTN = \frac{GTP.OutDataOctN3UPF}{GranularityPeriod} \times 8$$

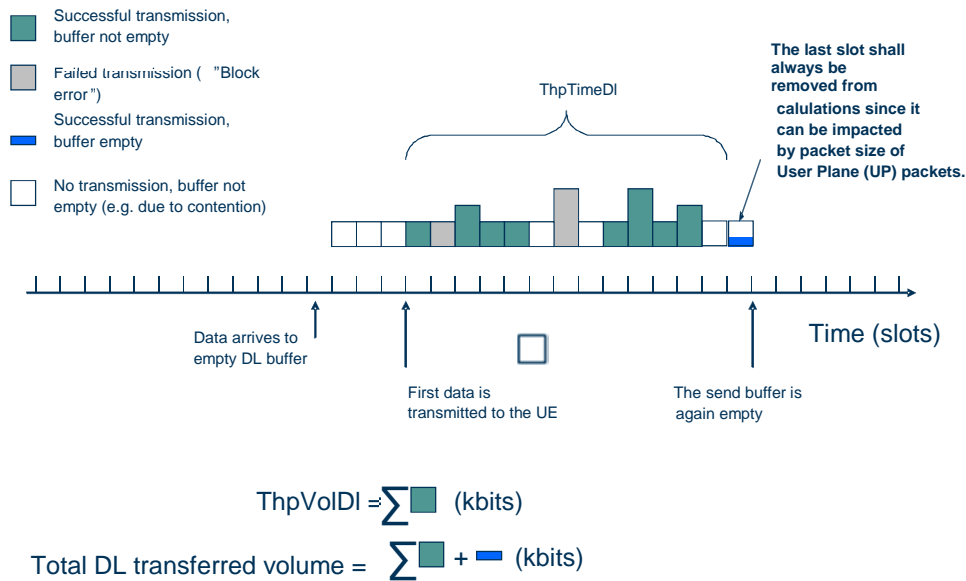
d) UPFFunction

6.3.6 RAN UE Throughput

6.3.6.1 Void

6.3.6.2 RAN UE Throughput definition

To achieve a Throughput measurement (below examples are given for DL) that is independent of file size and gives a relevant result it is important to remove the volume and time when the resource on the radio interface is not fully utilized. (Successful transmission, buffer empty in figure 1).



UE Throughput in DL = ThpVolDI / ThpTimeDI (kbits/s)

Figure 1

To achieve a throughput measurement that is independent of bursty traffic pattern, it is important to make sure that idle gaps between incoming data is not included in the measurements. That shall be done as considering each burst of data as one sample.

6.3.6.3 DL RAN UE throughput

6.3.6.3.1 DL RAN UE throughput for a NRCellIDU

- a) DIUeThroughput_Cell.
- b) This KPI describes the average DL RAN UE throughput for a NRCellIDU. The KPI type is MEAN in kbit per second. This KPI can optionally be split into KPIs per QoS level (mapped 5QI or QCI in NR option 3) and per S-NSSAI.
- c) Below is the equation for average DL RAN UE throughput for a NRCellIDU:

$DIUeThroughput_Cell = DRB.UETHpDI;$

and optionally: $DIUeThroughput_Cell.QOS = DRB.UETHpDI.QOS$, where QOS identifies the target quality of service class;

and optionally: $DIUeThroughput_Cell.SNSSAI = DRB.UETHpDI.SNSSAI$, where SNSSAI identifies the S-NSSAI.

- d) NRCellIDU

6.3.6.3.2 DL RAN UE throughput for a sub-network

- a) DIUeThroughput_SNw.
- b) This KPI describes the average DL RAN UE throughput for a sub-network. The KPI type is MEAN in kbit per second. This KPI can optionally be split into KPIs per QoS level (mapped 5QI or QCI in NR option 3) and per S-NSSAI.
- c) Below is the equation for average DL RAN UE throughput for a sub-network, where
 - W is the measurement for the weighted average, it is one of the following:

- the DL data volume of the NR cell;
- a weight defined by the consumer of KPI
- the #NRCellDU is the number of NRCellDU's in the SubNetwork.

$$DIUeThroughput_SNw = \frac{\sum_1^{\#NRCellDU} (W)}{\sum_1^{\#NRCellDU} \left(\frac{W}{DRB.UEThpD1} \right)}$$

and optionally KPI on SubNetwork level per QoS and per S-NSSAI:

$$DIUeThroughput_SNw.QoS = \frac{\sum_1^{\#NRCellDU} (W.QoS)}{\sum_1^{\#NRCellDU} \left(\frac{W.QoS}{DRB.UEThpD1.QoS} \right)}$$

$$DIUeThroughput_SNw.SNSSAI = \frac{\sum_1^{\#NRCellDU} (W.SNSSAI)}{\sum_1^{\#NRCellDU} \left(\frac{W.SNSSAI}{DRB.UEThpD1.SNSSAI} \right)}$$

d) SubNetwork

6.3.6.3.3 DL RAN UE throughput for a network slice subnet

- a) DIUeThroughput_Nss.
- b) This KPI describes the average DL RAN UE throughput for a network slice subnet. The KPI type is MEAN in kbit per second.
- c) Below is the equation for average DL RAN UE throughput for a network slice subnet, where
 - W is the measurement for the weighted average, it is one of the following:
 - the DL data volume of the NR cell;
 - a weight defined by the consumer of KPI
 - the #NRCellDU is the number of NRCellDU's associated with the NetworkSliceSubnet.

$$DIUeThroughput_Nss.SNSSAI = \frac{\sum_1^{\#NRCellDU} (W.SNSSAI)}{\sum_1^{\#NRCellDU} \left(\frac{W.SNSSAI}{DRB.UEThpD1.SNSSAI} \right)},$$

where the SNSSAI identifies the S-NSSAI that the NetworkSliceSubnet supports.

d) NetworkSliceSubnet

6.3.6.4 UL RAN UE throughput

6.3.6.4.1 UL RAN UE throughput for a NRCellDU

- a) UIUeThroughput_Cell.
- b) This KPI describes the average UL RAN UE throughput for a NRCellDU. The KPI type is MEAN in kbit per second. This KPI can optionally be split into KPIs per QoS level (mapped 5QI or QCI in NR option 3) and per S-NSSAI.
- c) Below is the equation for average UL RAN UE throughput for a NRCellDU:

$$UIUeThroughput_Cell = DRB.UEThpUI;$$

and optionally: $UIUeThroughput_Cell.QoS = DRB.UEThpUI.QoS$, where QoS identifies the target quality of service class;

and optionally: $UIUeThroughput_Cell.SNSSAI = DRB.UEThpUI.SNSSAI$, where SNSSAI identifies the S-NSSAI.

d) NRCellDU

6.3.6.4.2 UL RAN UE throughput for a sub-network

- a) UIUeThroughput_SNw.
- b) This KPI describes the average UL RAN UE throughput for a sub-network. The KPI type is MEAN in kbit per second. This KPI can optionally be split into KPIs per QoS level (mapped 5QI or QCI in NR option 3) and per S-NSSAI.
- c) Below is the equation for average UL RAN UE throughput for a sub-network, where
- W is the measurement for the weighted average, it is one of the following:
 - the UL data volume of the NR cell;
 - a weight defined by the consumer of KPI
 - the #NRCellIDU is the number of NRCellIDU's in the SubNetwork.

$$\text{UIUeThroughput_SNw} = \frac{\sum_1^{\#\text{NRCellIDU}}(W)}{\sum_1^{\#\text{NRCellIDU}}\left(\frac{W}{\text{DRB.UEThpUI}}\right)}$$

and optionally KPI on SubNetwork level per QoS and per S-NSSAI:

$$\text{UIUeThroughput_SNw. QoS} = \frac{\sum_1^{\#\text{NRCellIDU}}(W.QoS)}{\sum_1^{\#\text{NRCellIDU}}\left(\frac{W.QoS}{\text{DRB.UEThpUI.QoS}}\right)}$$

$$\text{UIUeThroughput_SNw. SNSSAI} = \frac{\sum_1^{\#\text{NRCellIDU}}(W.SNSSAI)}{\sum_1^{\#\text{NRCellIDU}}\left(\frac{W.SNSSAI}{\text{DRB.UEThpUI.SNSSAI}}\right)}$$

- d) SubNetwork

6.3.6.4.3 UL RAN UE throughput for a network slice subnet

- a) UIUeThroughput_Nss.
- b) This KPI describes the average UL RAN UE throughput for a network slice subnet. The KPI type is MEAN in kbit per second.
- c) Below is the equation for average UL RAN UE throughput for a network slice subnet, where
- W is the measurement for the weighted average, it is one of the following:
 - the UL data volume of the NR cell;
 - a weight defined by the consumer of KPI
 - the #NRCellIDU is the number of NRCellIDU's associated with the NetworkSliceSubnet.

$$\text{UIUeThroughput_Nss. SNSSAI} = \frac{\sum_1^{\#\text{NRCellIDU}}(W.SNSSAI)}{\sum_1^{\#\text{NRCellIDU}}\left(\frac{W.SNSSAI}{\text{DRB.UEThpUI.SNSSAI}}\right)}, \text{ where the SNSSAI identifies the S-NSSAI that the NetworkSliceSubnet supports.}$$

- d) NetworkSliceSubnet

6.4 Utilization KPI

6.4.1 Mean number of PDU sessions of network and network Slice Instance

a) PDUSesMeanNbr.

b) This KPI describes the mean number of PDU sessions that are successfully established in a network slice . It is obtained by successful PDU session establishment procedures of SMFs which is related to the network slice . It is an integer. The KPI type is MEAN.

$$PDUSesMeanNbr = \sum_{SMF} SM.SessionNbrMean.SNSSAI$$

c)

d) NetworkSlice

6.4.2 Virtualised Resource Utilization of Network Slice Instance

a) VirtualResUtilizaiton.

b) This KPI describes utilization of virtualised resource (e.g. processor, memory, disk) that are allocated to a network slice . It is obtained by the usage of virtualised resource (e.g. processor, memory, disk) divided by the system capacity that allocated to the network slice . It is a percentage, The KPI type is Ratio.

NOTE: In the present document, this KPI is for the scenario when NF is not shared between different network slice .

$$c) VRU_{Processor} = \frac{MeanProcessorUsage}{System Capacity_{Processor}} * 100\%$$

$$VRU_{Memory} = \frac{MeanMemoryUsage}{System Capacity_{Memory}} * 100\%$$

$$VRU_{Disk} = \frac{MeanDiskUsage}{System Capacity_{Disk}} * 100\%$$

d) NetworkSlice

6.4.3 PDU session establishment time of network slice

a) PDUEstTime.

b) This KPI describes the time of successful PDU session establishment which related to one single network slice and is used to evaluate utilization provided by the end-to-end network slice and network performance. It is obtained by measuring the time between the receipt by SMF from AMF of " Nsmf_PDUSession_UpdateSMContext Request ", which includes N2 SM information received from (R)AN to the SMF and the sending of a " Nsmf_PDUSession_CreateSMContext Request or Nsmf_PDUSession_UpdateSMContext Request PDU Session Establishment Request " message from AMF to the SMF. It is a time interval (millisecond). The KPI type is MEAN.

c) PDUEstTime = SM.PduSessionTimeMean.SNSSAI

d) NetworkSlice

6.4.4 Mean number of successful periodic registration updates of Single Network Slice

- a) RegUpdMeanNbr.
- b) This KPI describes the mean number of successfully periodic registration updates in a network slice at the AMF. It is obtained by summing successful of periodic registration updates at the AMFs which is related to the network slice after registration accept by the AMF to the UE that sent the periodic registration update request. It is an integer. The KPI type is MEAN.

$$RegUpdMeanNbr = \sum_{AMF} AM.RegNbrMean.SNSSAI$$

- c)
- d) NetworkSlice

6.5 Retainability KPI

6.5.1 QoS flow Retainability

6.5.1.1 Definition

- a) QoSRetain_R1, QoSRetain_R2.
- b) This KPI shows how often an end-user abnormally loses a QoS flow during the time the QoS flow is used. It is obtained by number of QoS flows with data in a buffer that was abnormally released, normalized with number of data session time units. The unit of this KPI is “active release / second”. The KPI type is MEAN.
- c) To measure QoS flow Retainability for a single QoS level (R1) is fairly straight forward.

$$R1_{QoS_x} = \frac{QF.RelActNbr.QoS_{QoS_x}}{QF.SessionTimeQoS.QoS_{QoS_x}}$$

However to measure the QoS flow Retainability for UEs is not as straight forward. The measurement R1 is defined to look at the activity level of just one QoS level at the time, so to use this formula and measurements in an aggregated way to get QoS flow Retainability on UE level will not be accurate (e.g. for an UE with multiple QoS flows there might be QoS flows that are active at the same time, hence aggregating the QoS level measurements for session time will give a larger session time than the total UE session time. See picture below).

UE session time: 10 periods (UE1:4, UE2:6)

QoS=X session time: 7 periods (UE1:4, UE2:3)

QoS=Y session time: 5 periods (UE1:0, UE2:5)

UE1 QoS Flow
QoS=X

One activity period

UE2 QoS Flow
QoS=X

QoS Flow
QoS=Y

[t]

Hence a measurement QoS flow Retainability on UE level is defined (R2) to provide a measurement for the overall QoS flow Retainability.

$$R2 = \frac{\sum_{QoS} QF.RelActNbr.QoS}{QF.SessionTimeUE}$$

- d) SubNetwork, NRCelICU
- e) The definition of the service provided by 5GS is QoS flows.

6.5.1.2 Extended definition

The retainability rate is defined as:

$$\frac{\text{Number of abnormally released QoS flow with data in any of the buffers}}{\text{Active QoS flow Time}} \quad [\text{Releases/Session time}]$$

$$\frac{\text{Number of abnormally released QoS flow with data in any of the buffers}}{\text{Active QoS flow Time}} \quad [\text{Releases/Session time}]$$

To define (from a QoS flow Retainability point of view) if a QoS flow is considered active or not, the QoS flows can be divided into two groups:

- For QoS flows with bursty flow, a QoS flow is said to be active if there is user data in the PDCP queue in any of the directions or if any data (UL or DL) has been transferred during the last 100 ms.
- For QoS flows with continuous flow, the QoS flow (and the UE) is seen as being active in the context of this measurement as long as the UE is in RRC connected state, and the session time is increased from the first data transmission on the QoS flow until 100 ms after the last data transmission on the QoS flow.

6.5.2 DRB Retainability

6.5.2.1 Definition

- a) DRBRetain
- b) This KPI shows how often an end-user abnormally loses a DRB during the time the DRB is active. It is obtained by number of DRBs that were abnormally released and that were active at the time of release, normalized with number of data session time units. The unit of this KPI is "active release / second". The KPI type is MEAN.
- c) DRB Retainability for a single mapped 5QI level (R1) and for a single S-NSSAI (R1) are defined as:

$$R1_{5QI_x} = \frac{DRB.RelActNbr.5QI_{5QI_x}}{DRB.SessionTime.5QI_{5QI_x}}$$

and

$$R1_{SNSSAI_x} = \frac{DRB.RelActNbr.SNSSAI_{SNSSAI_x}}{DRB.SessionTime.SNSSAI_{SNSSAI_x}}$$

- d) SubNetwork, NRCelICU
- e) The definition of the service provided by 5GS is DRBs.

6.5.2.2 Extended definition

To define (from a DRB Retainability point of view) if a DRB is considered active or not, the DRB can be divided into two groups:

- For DRBs with bursty flow, a DRB is said to be active if there is user data in the PDCP queue in any of the directions or if any data (UL or DL) has been transferred during the last 100 ms.
- For DRBs with continuous flow, the DRB (and the UE) is seen as being active in the context of this measurement as long as the UE is in RRC connected state, and the session time is increased from the first data transmission on the DRB until 100 ms after the last data transmission on the DRB.

A particular DRB is defined to be of type continuous flow if the mapped 5QI is any of { 1, 2, 65, 66}.

6.6 Mobility KPI

6.6.1 NG-RAN handover success rate

- a) GRANHOSR.
- b) A KPI that shows how often a handover within NR-RAN is successful, regardless if the handover was made due to bad coverage or any other reason. This KPI is obtained by successful handovers to the same or another gNB divided by attempted handovers to the same or another gNB.

$$c) \text{GRANHOSR} = \frac{(\text{MM.HoExeInterSucc} + \text{MM.HoExeIntraSucc})}{(\text{MM.HoExeInterReq} + \text{MM.HoExeIntraReq})} \times \frac{(\text{MM.HoPrepInterSucc} + \text{MM.HoPrepIntraSucc})}{(\text{MM.HoPrepInterReq} + \text{MM.HoPrepIntraReq})} \times 100[\%]$$

- d) SubNetwork, NRCellCU.

6.6.2 Mean Time of Inter-gNB handover Execution of Network Slice

- a) InterGNBHOMeanTime.
- b) This KPI describes the time of successful Mean Time of Inter-gNB handover which related to one single network slice and is used to evaluate utilization provided by the end-to-end network slice and network performance. This KPI is obtained by measuring the time between the receipt by the Source NG-RAN from the Target NG-RAN of a "Release Resource" and the sending of a "N2 Path Switch Request" message from Source NG-RAN to the Target NG-RAN over a granularity period. The unit of this KPI is millisecond.

- d) Subnetwork

6.6.3 Successful rate of mobility registration updates of Single Network Slice

- a) MobilityRegUpdateSR.
- b) This KPI describes the successful rate of mobility registration updates in a network slice e at the AMF. This KPI is obtained by deviding the number of successful mobility registration updates at the AMFs by number of mobility registration update requests received by the AMFs of single network slice.

- d) NetworkSlice

6.6.4 5GS to EPS handover success rate

- a) 5GSEPSHOSR.
- b) A KPI that shows how often a handover from 5GS to EPS is successful, regardless if the handover was made due to bad coverage or any other reason. This KPI is obtained by successful handovers from 5GS to EPS system divided by the total number of handovers attempt's from 5GS to EPS system.

$$c) 5GSEPSHOSR = \frac{(MM.HoOutExe5gsToEpsSucc)}{(MM.HoOutExe5gsToEpsReq)} \times \frac{(MM.HoOut5gsToEpsPrepSucc)}{(MM.HoOut5gsToEpsPrepReq)} \times 100[\%]$$

d) SubNetwork, NRCellICU.

6.7 Energy Efficiency (EE) KPI

6.7.1 NG-RAN data Energy Efficiency (EE)

6.7.1.1 Definition

a) $EE_{MN,DV}$.

b) A KPI that shows mobile network data energy efficiency in operational NG-RAN. Data Volume (DV) divided by Energy Consumption (EC) of the considered network elements. The unit of this KPI is bit/J.

c) $EE_{MN,DV}$

$$= \frac{\sum_{Samples} (DRB.PdcpSduVolumeUl + DRB.PdcpSduVolumeDl)}{\sum_{Samples} PEE.Energy} \quad \text{- for non-split gNBs;}$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{Samples} (DRB.F1uPdcpSduVolumeUl + DRB.XnuPdcpSduVolumeUl + DRB.X2uPdcpSduVolumeUl + DRB.F1uPdcpSduVolumeDl + DRB.XnuPdcpSduVolumeDl + DRB.X2uPdcpSduVolumeDl)}{\sum_{Samples} PEE.Energy} \quad \text{- for split gNBs;}$$

d) SubNetwork

e) The Data Volume (in kbits) is obtained by measuring amount of DL/UL PDCP SDU bits of the considered network elements over the measurement period. For split-gNBs, the Data Volume is calculated per Interface (F1-U, Xn-U, X2-U). The Energy Consumption (in kWh) is obtained by measuring the PEE.Energy of the considered network elements over the same period of time. The samples are aggregated at the NG-RAN node level. The 3GPP management system responsible for the management of the gNB (single or multiple vendor gNB) shall be able to collect PEE measurements data from all PNFs in the gNB, in the same way as the other PM measurements.

Annex A (informative): Use cases for end to end KPIs

A.1 Use case for end-to-end latency measurements of 5G network-related KPI

The end-to-end latency is an important performance parameter for operating 5G network. In some scenarios (e.g. uRLLC), if end-to-end latency is insufficient, the 5G network customer cannot obtain guaranteed network performance provided by the network operator. So it is necessary to define end-to-end latency of network related measurement to evaluate whether the end-to-end latency that network customer requested has been satisfied. A procedure is invoked by network management system and is used:

- to update the CSMF/NSMF with the end-to-end latency parameter for monitoring;
- to inform the network customer/network operator the end-to-end latency;
- to make CSMF/NSMF aware if the end-to-end latency can meet network customer's service requirement.

If high end-to-end latency are measured, it is also of benefit to pinpoint where in the chain from application to UE that the latency occurs.

A.2 Use case for number of registered subscribers of single network-slice related KPI

Number of registered subscribers of single network slice can be used to describe the amount of subscribers that are successfully registered, it can reflect the usage of network slice, It is useful to evaluate accessibility performance provided by one single network slice which may trigger the lifecycle management of the network slice, this kind of KPI is valuable especially when network functions (e.g. AMF) are shared between different network slice. This KPI is focusing on both network and user view.

A.3 Use case for upstream/downstream throughput for one-single-network-slice-related KPI

Measuring throughput is useful to evaluate system load of end to end network slice. If the throughput of the specific network slice cannot meet the performance requirement, some actions need to be performed to the network slice e.g. reconfiguration, capacity relocation. So it is necessary to define the IP throughput for one single network slice. This KPI is focusing on network and user view.

A.4 Use case for mean PDU sessions number in network slice

It is necessary to evaluate the mean PDU session number in the network slice to indicate system load level. For example, if the mean value of the PDU sessions is high, maybe the system capacity should be increased. This KPI is focusing on network view.

A.5 Use case for virtualised resource utilization of network-slice-related KPI

It is necessary to evaluate the current utilization of virtualised resources (e.g. memory and storage utilization) that a network slice is occupied. If the utilization is larger or smaller than the threshold, maybe some scale in/out operations will be made by the management system. This KPI is focusing on network and user view.

A.6 Use case for 5GS registration success rate of one single-network-slice-related KPI

It is necessary to evaluate accessibility performance provided by 5GS. 5GS registration for a UE is important when they have registered to the network slice. If users or subscribers cannot register to the network slice, they cannot access any network services in the network slice. This KPI is focusing on network view.

A.7 Use case for RAN UE throughput-related KPI

The UE perceived throughput in NG-RAN is an important performance parameter for operating 5G network. If the UE throughput of the NR cell cannot meet the performance requirement, some actions need to be performed to the network, e.g. reconfiguration or capacity increase. So it is necessary to define UE throughput KPI to evaluate whether the end-users are satisfied. The KPI covers volume large enough to make the throughput measurement relevant, i.e. excluding data volume of the last or only slot.

The UE throughput KPI covers also "NR option 3" scenarios. Then the gNB is "connected" towards the EPC, and not towards 5GC.

It is proposed to allow the KPI separated based on mapped 5QI (or for QCI in case of NR option 3).

When network slicing is supported by the NG-RAN, multiple network slices may be supported. The UL and DL UE throughput for each network slice is then of importance to the operator to pinpoint a specific performance problem.

A.8 Use case for QoS flow retainability-related KPI

QoS flow is the key and limited resource for 5GS to deliver services. The release of the QoS flow needs to be monitored. QoS flow retainability is a key performance indicator of how often an end-user abnormally losing a QoS flow during the time the QoS flow is used. This key performance indicator is of great importance to estimate the end users' experiences.

A.9 Use case for DRB accessibility-related KPI

In providing services to end-users, the first step is to get access to the service. First after access to the service has been performed, the service can be used.

The service provided by NG-RAN is the DRB. For the DRB to be successfully setup it is also necessary to setup an RRC connection and an NG signalling connection.

If an end user cannot access a service, it is hard to charge for the service. Also, if it happens often that an end-user cannot access the provided service, the end-user might change wireless subscription provider, i.e. loss of income for the network operator. Hence, to have a good accessibility of the services is important from a business point of view.

A DRB accessibility KPI requires the following 3 measurements:

- RRC connection setup success rate.
- NG signalling connection setup success rate.

- DRB setup success rate.

The success rate for RRC connection setup and for NG signalling connection setup shall exclude setups with establishment cause mo-Signalling, since these phases/procedures occur when there is no request to setup a DRB.

This KPI is available per mapped 5QI and per S-NSSAI, and it assists the network operator with information about the accessibility provided to their 5G network customers.

A.10 Use case for mobility KPIs

When a service is used it is important that it is not interrupted or aborted. One of the fault cases in a radio system for this is handovers/mobility.

If a mobility KPI is not considered OK, then the network operator can investigate which steps that are required to improve the mobility towards their services.

These KPIs can be used for observing the impact on end-users of mobility in NG-RAN and towards other system.

A.11 Use case for DRB retainability related KPI

DRB is the key and limited resource for 5GS to deliver services. Once a QoS flow reaches a gNB it will trigger setup of a new DRB or it will be mapped to an existing DRB. The decision on how to map QoS flows into new or existing DRBs is taken at the CU-CP. CU-CP also defines one set of QoS parameters (one 5QI) for the DRB. If a QoS flow is mapped to an existing DRB, the packets belonging to that QoS flow are not treated with the 5QI of the QoS flow, but they are treated with the mapped 5QI of the DRB.

The release of the DRB needs to be monitored, so that abnormal releases while the UE is considered in an active transfer shall be logged. DRB retainability is a key performance indicator of how often an end-user abnormally loses a DRB during the time the DRB is actively used. This key performance indicator is of great important to estimate the end users' experiences. DRBs with bursty flow are considered active if any data (UL or DL) has been transferred during the last 100 ms. DRBs with continuous flow are seen as active DRBs in the context of this measurement as long as the UE is in RRC connected state. A particular DRB is defined to be of type continuous flow if the mapped 5QI is any of {1, 2, 65, 66}.

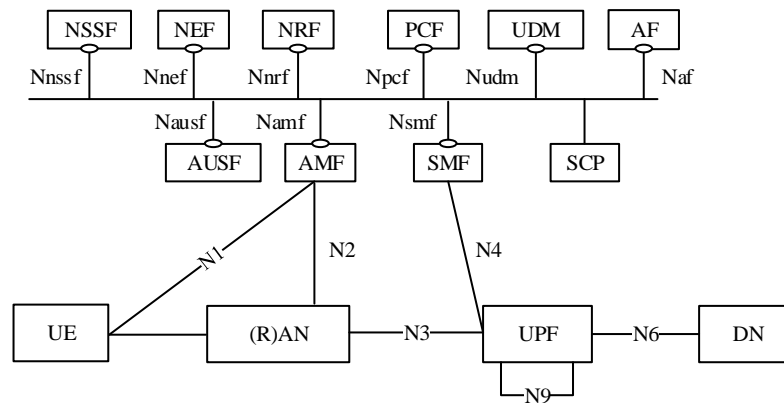
The key performance indicator shall monitor the DRB retainability for each used mapped 5QI value, as well as for the used S-NSSAI(s). DRBs used in 3GPP option 3 shall not be covered by this KPI. For the case when a DRB have multiple QoS flows mapped and active, when a QoS flow is released it will not be counted as a DRB release (DRB still active) in this KPI.

A.12 Use case for PDU session establishment success rate of one network slice (S-NSSAI) related KPI

It is necessary to evaluate accessibility performance provided by 5GS. PDU session Establishment for a UE is important when it has registered to the network slice. If users or subscribers cannot establish PDU sessions in slice instance, they cannot access any network services in the network slice. This KPI is focusing on network view.

A.13 Use case for integrated downlink latency in RAN

Following figure captured in clause 4.2.3, 3GPP TS 23.501[x] illustrates the 5G system architecture. The end to end downlink latency should be measured from Data Network to UE, of which the latency from RAN to UE is an important part for the latency of this section is closely related to NG-RAN.



The integrated downlink latency in RAN is a key performance parameter for evaluating the packet delay in RAN for QoS monitoring. This KPI is also an important part of the end-to-end network latency for SLA assurance.

A.14 Use case for PDU session Establishment success rate of one single-network-slice instance-related KPI

It is necessary to evaluate PDU session establishment time, it can be used to analyse the network service difference between different RAN locations in one area, which can be used for management area division. This KPI is focusing on network view.

A.15 Use case for QoS flow retainability-related KPI

QoS Flow is the key and limited resource for 5GS to deliver services. The release of the QoS flow needs to be monitored. QoS Flow drop ratio is a key performance indicator of how often an end-user is abnormally losing a bearer. This key performance indicator is of great importance to estimate the end users' experiences.

The KPI shall be available per QoS group.

From QoS perspective it is important to focus also on call duration as in some cases wrong quality perceived by the end user is not fully reflected by drop ratio nor retainability KPI. Typical case is when due to poor radio conditions the end user redials (the call was terminated normally) to the same party to secure the quality. But in this case the drop ratio KPI will not show any degradation. Secondly, although the call is dropped the end user may or may not redial depending on dropped call duration compared to the case when the call would be normally released. It is therefore highly recommended to monitor distribution of duration of normally and abnormally released calls.

A.16 Use case for 5G Energy Efficiency (EE) KPI

Assessment of Energy Efficiency in network is very important for operators willing to control their OPEX and, in particular, their network energy OPEX.

Mobile Network data Energy Efficiency ($EE_{MN,DV}$) is the ratio between the performance indicator (DV_{MN}) and the energy consumption (EC_{MN}) when assessed during the same time frame, see ETSI ES 203 228 [8] clause 3.1 and clause 5.3.

$$EE_{MN,DV} = \frac{DV_{MN}}{EC_{MN}}$$

where $EE_{MN,DV}$ is expressed in bit/J.

Assessment of $EE_{MN,DV}$ needs the collection of both Data Volumes (DV) and Energy Consumption (EC) of 5G Network Functions (NF). How this EE KPI can be applied to NG-RAN is specified in clause 4.1 of TS 28.310 [9].

Before the network operator takes any action to save network energy OPEX, the network operator needs to know the energy efficiency of its 5G network.

This KPI needs to be used for observing the impact of NG-RAN on data energy efficiency of 5G access networks.

Annex B (informative): Change history

Change history							
Date	Meeting	TDoc	CR	Rev	Cat	Subject/Comment	New version
2018-09	SA#81					Upgrade to change control version	15.0.0
2018-09	SA#81					EditHelp fix	15.0.1
2018-12	SA#82	SP-181041	0001	-	F	Align title with TS database	15.1.0
2019-03	SA#83	SP-190122	0005	2	F	Update KPI subscribers of single network slice instance through UDM	15.2.0
2019-03	SA#83	SP-190122	0011	2	F	Update definition of mean number of PDU sessions KPI	15.2.0
2019-03	SA#83	SP-190111	0007	1	B	Add KPI of QoS flow Retainability	16.0.0
2019-03	SA#83	SP-190111	0009	1	B	Add DRB Accessibility KPI and Use Case	16.0.0
2019-06	SA#84	SP-190371	0013	-	B	Add KPI for NG-RAN Handover Success Rate	16.1.0
2019-06	SA#84	SP-190375	0015	1	A	Correction of Throughput KPI	16.1.0
2019-09	SA#85	SP-190747	0016	2	B	Add KPI for DRB Retainability	16.2.0
2019-09	SA#85	SP-190747	0017	3	B	Add a new KPI definition of PDU session Establishment Success Rate of one network slice (S-NSSAI)	16.2.0
2019-09	SA#85	SP-190751	0020	-	A	Correction on kbits abbreviation	16.2.0
2019-09	SA#85	SP-190747	0021	1	F	Correction of Flow Retainability KPI	16.2.0
2019-09	SA#85	SP-190747	0022	1	F	Correction of DRB Accessibility KPI	16.2.0
2019-09	SA#85	SP-190748	0024	2	A	Correct the title of KPI	16.2.0
2019-09	SA#85	SP-190747	0025	1	B	Add definition of integrated downlink latency in RAN	16.2.0
2019-09	SA#85	SP-190747	0028	2	B	Add a new KPI definition of Inter-gNB handover Execution time of one single network slice	16.2.0
2019-09	SA#85	SP-190747	0029	2	B	Add a new KPI definition of PDU session Establishment Time of one single network slice	16.2.0
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