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- 7 GSM Phase 2+ Release 1998;
- x the second digit is incremented for all other types of changes, i.e. technical enhancements, corrections, updates, etc.;
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1 Scope

The present document deals with implementation guidelines. SMG has accepted that Band of Operation may be independent of Release. This approach provides the flexibility that is needed when new frequency bands are being standardised. However in a case where frequency band is considered release independent it is seen necessary to give instructions for implementation. The release independence of frequency band may be applied to any band of operation. As an example GSM 400 system is specified in Release 99. When operating GSM 400 is using Information Elements that are based on Release 99 while the other bands of operation e.g. DCS 1800 or GSM 900 may use Information Elements that are based on earlier Releases. For compatibility point of view it is necessary to instruct in implementation issues.

2 References

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- References are either specific (identified by date of publication, edition number, version number, etc.) or non-specific.
- For a specific reference, subsequent revisions do not apply.
- For a non-specific reference, the latest version applies.
- A non-specific reference to an ETS shall also be taken to refer to later versions published as an EN with the same number.
- For this Release 1998 document, references to GSM documents are for Release 1999, where latest specification version shall always apply.

- [1] 3G TS 24.008: "3rd Generation Partnership Project; Technical Specification Group Core Network; Mobile radio interface layer 3 specification; Core Network Protocols – Stage 3, Release 1999".
- [2] GSM 04.18: "Digital cellular telecommunications system (Phase 2+); Mobile radio interface layer 3 specification, Radio Resource Control Protocol, Release 1999".
- [3] GSM 05.10: "Digital cellular telecommunications system (Phase2+); Radio Subsystem Synchronization, Release 1999".
- [4] GSM 04.04: "Digital cellular telecommunications system (Phase2+); Layer 1; General requirements, Release 1999".
- [5] GSM 05.05: "Digital cellular telecommunications system (Phase2+); Radio transmission and reception, Release 1999".
- [6] GSM 03.22: "Digital cellular telecommunications system (Phase2+); Functions related to Mobile Station (MS) in idle mode and group receive mode, Release 1999".
- [7] GSM 05.08: "Digital cellular telecommunications system (Phase2+); Radio subsystem link control, Release 1999".

3 Definitions, symbols and abbreviations

Unless listed below, all definitions, symbols and abbreviations used in the present document are listed in documents referenced in clause 2.

4 GSM400 MS Independent of Release

GSM400 system is defined as release independent frequency band. This approach aligns GSM400 band with other frequency bands when considering features that have to be supported in different releases. However there exists requirements that have to be implemented independent of release MS states to support.

A mobile station supporting GSM400 shall implement following requirements:

- support of Extended Timing Advance as specified in GSM 04.04 [4], GSM 05.10 [3] and as stated in clause 5.4 of the present document;
- comply with the RF-requirements specified in GSM 05.05 [5] for GSM400;
- comply with the requirements for PLMN and cell searching specified in GSM 03.22 [6] and GSM 05.08 [7];
- indicate the Classmark 1, Classmark 2, Classmark 3 as specified in clauses 5.1, 5.2 and 5.3.

4.1 R'98 GSM400 MS

This clause presents the contents of appropriate information elements as they shall be used in a case where GSM400 MS states conformance with Release 1998. It should be noted that information elements presented are of Release 1999. This is due to fact that GSM 400 is standardised in Release 1999 or later.

4.1.1 Mobile Station Classmark 1 IE

Followed information is from 3G TS 24.008 [1] specification. It shows the contents of Information Element for Release 99.

The *Mobile Station Classmark 1* information element is coded as shown in figure 10.5.5/TS 24.008 and table 10.5.5/TS 24.008.

The *Mobile Station Classmark 1* is a type 3 information element with 2 octets length.

8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
Mobile Station Classmark 1 IEI								octet 1
0	Revision	ES	A5/1	RF power				octet 2
spare	level	IND		capability				

Figure 10.5.5/TS 24.008: *Mobile Station Classmark 1* information element

The field of interest is *Revision level*. R'98 GSM 400 MS shall indicate phase 2 support with the bit pattern '01'.

Mobile Station Classmark 2 IE Followed information is from 3G TS 24.008 [1] specification. It shows the contents of Information Element for Release 99.

The *Mobile Station Classmark 2* information element is coded as shown in figure 10.5.6/TS 24.008, table 10.5.6a/TS 24.008 and table 10.5.6b/TS 24.008.

The *Mobile Station Classmark 2* is a type 4 information element with 5 octets length.

8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
Mobile station classmark 2 IEI								octet 1
Length of mobile station classmark 2 contents								octet 2
0 spare	Revision level		ES IND	A5/1	RF power capability			octet 3
0 spare	PS capa.	SS Screen. Indicator		SM ca pabi.	VBS	VGCS	FC	octet 4
CM3	0 spare	LCSVA CAP	UCS2	SoLSA	CMSP	A5/3	A5/2	octet 5

NOTE: Owing to backward compatibility problems, bit 8 of octet 4 should not be used unless it is also checked that the bits 8, 7 and 6 of octet 3 are not "0 0 0".

Figure 10.5.6/TS 24.008: Mobile Station Classmark 2 information element

R'98 GSM 400 MS requirements:

For R'98 GSM 400 MS a field of interest is *Revision level*. The coding of that field shall indicate phase 2 support with bit pattern '01'. In a case that MS claims to support *LCSVA* or *SoLSA* then those fields shall be set to '1's', according to the definitions of those parameters. Field *UCS2* shall indicate '0' since it is defined as spare in R'98.

4.1.2 Mobile Station Classmark 3 IE

Followed information is from 3G TS 24.008 [1] specification. It shows the contents of Information Element for Release 99.

The value part of a *MS Classmark 3* information element is coded as shown in figure 10.5.7/TS 24.008 and table 10.5.7/TS 24.008.

NOTE: The 14 octet limit is so that the CLASSMARK CHANGE message will fit in one layer 2 frame.

SEMANTIC RULE : a multiband mobile station shall provide information about all frequency bands it can support. A single band mobile station shall not indicate the band it supports in the *Multiband Supported*, *GSM 400 Bands Supported*, *GSM 850 Associated Radio Capability* or *PCS 1900 Associated Radio Capability* fields in the MS Classmark 3. Due to shared radio frequency channel numbers between DCS 1800 and PCS 1900, the mobile should indicate support for either DCS 1800 band OR PCS 1900 band.

SEMANTIC RULE : a mobile station shall include the MS Measurement Capability field if the *Multi Slot Class* field contains a value of 19 or greater (see GSM 05.02).

Typically, the number of spare bits at the end is the minimum to reach an octet boundary. The receiver may add any number of bits set to "0" at the end of the received string if needed for correct decoding.


```

<Classmark 3 Value part> ::=
<spare bit>
{
  <Multiband supported : {000}>
    <A5 bits> |
  <Multiband supported : { 101 | 110}>
    <A5 bits>
    <Associated Radio Capability 2 : bit(4)>
    <Associated Radio Capability 1 : bit(4)> |
  <Multiband supported : {001 | 010 | 100}>
    <A5 bits>
    <spare bit>(4)
    <Associated Radio Capability 1 : bit(4)> }
{ 0 | 1 <R Support> }
{ 0 | 1 <Multi Slot Capability>}
  <UCS2 treatment: bit>
  <Extended Measurement Capability : bit>
{ 0 | 1 <MS measurement capability> }
{ 0 | 1 <MS Positioning Method Capability> }
{ 0 | 1 <EDGE Multi Slot Capability>}
{ 0 | 1 <EDGE Struct>}
{ 0 | 1 <GSM 400 Bands Supported : {01 | 10 | 11}>
  <GSM 400 Associated Radio Capability: bit(4)> }

  {0 | 1 <GSM 850 Associated Radio Capability : bit(4)>}
  {0 | 1 <PCS 1900 Associated Radio Capability : bit(4)>}
  < UMTS FDD Radio Access Technology Capability : bit>
  < UMTS TDD Radio Access Technology Capability : bit>
  < CDMA 2000 Radio Access Technology Capability : bit>

  {0 | 1 <DTM Multi Slot Sub-Class : bit(2)>
  <MAC Mode Support : bit>
  <EGPRS Support : bit>} ;

  <spare bit>;

<A5 bits> ::= <A5/7 : bit> <A5/6 : bit> <A5/5 : bit> <A5/4 : bit> ;

<R Support>::=
  < R-GSM band Associated Radio Capability : bit(3)>;

<Multi Slot Capability> ::=
  <Multi Slot Class : bit(5)> ;

< MS Measurement capability > ::=
  < SMS_VALUE : bit (4) >
  < SM_VALUE : bit (4) >;
< MS Positioning Method Capability > ::=
  < MS Positioning Method : bit(5)>;

<EDGE Multi Slot Capability> ::=
  <EDGE Multi Slot Class : bit(5)>;
<EDGE Struct> : :=
  <Modulation Capability : bit>
  { 0 | 1 <EDGE RF Power Capability 1: bit(2)>}
  { 0 | 1 <EDGE RF Power Capability 2: bit(2)>}

```

Figure 10.5.7/TS 24.008: Mobile Station Classmark 3 information element

R'98 GSM 400 MS requirements:

From R'98 GSM400 MS point of view the relevant field is *GSM 400 Bands Supported*. Bit pattern '01' indicates GSM 480 support, '10' indicates GSM450 support and '11' indicates support for both bands.

If GSM400 MS states to support MS Positioning it shall indicate it with '1' in the field *MS Positioning Method Capability* and also indicate the supported method in the *MS Positioning Method* field.

Fields *EDGE Multislot Capability*, *EDGE Struct*, *GSM 850 Associated Radio Capability*, *GSM 1900 Associated Radio Capability* and *DTM Multi Slot Sub-Class* shall be indicated not to be included to the Classmark 3 IE since they are not defined in Release '98. This is done by setting the indication bit to '0' for each of those mentioned bit structures.

Parameters *UMTS FDD Radio Access Technology Capability*, *UMTS TDD Radio Access Technology Capability*, *CDMA 2000 Radio Access Technology Capability* shall be indicated as not supported. This is done by the bit value '0' for each of these parameters.

4.1.3 Timing Advance IE

The *Timing Advance* information element is coded as shown in figure 10.5.67/GSM 04.18 and table 10.5.81/GSM 04.18 [2].

The *Timing Advance* is a type 3 information element with 2 octets length.

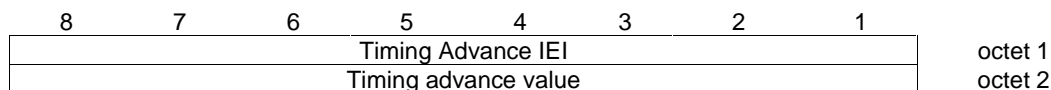


Figure 10.5.67/GSM 04.18 Timing Advance information element

R'98 GSM 400 MS requirements:

In case of MS supporting Release 1998 GSM400 MS uses bits from 1 to 8 in the field *Timing advance value* to indicate timing advance values from 0 to 219. For other bands values from 0 to 63 are used, which means that bits 7 and 8 are set to spare.

4.2 R'98 GSM400 MS supporting GPRS

This clause presents the contents of appropriate information elements as they shall be used in a case where GSM400 MS states conformance with Release 1998 and supports GPRS. It should be noted that information elements presented are of Release 1999. This is due to the fact that GSM 400 is standardised in Release 1999 or later.

4.2.1 Packet Uplink Assignment IE

Followed information is from GSM 04.18 [2] Release 1999 specification. It shows the contents of Information Element for Release 99.

The *RR Packet Uplink Assignment* information element is coded as shown in tables 10.5.60/GSM 04.18 and 10.5.61/GSM 04.18.

The *RR Packet Uplink Assignment* is a type 4 information element.

Table 10.5.60: RR PACKET UPLINK ASSIGNMENT information element

```

< RR Packet Uplink Assignment IE > ::=
  < LENGTH_IN_OCTETS : bit (8) >

  < CHANNEL_CODING_COMMAND : bit (2) >

  < TLLI_BLOCK_CHANNEL_CODING : bit (1) >

  < Packet Timing Advance : Packet Timing Advance IE >

  {01 <Dynamic Allocation : Dynamic Allocation struct>
 | 10 <Single Block Allocation : Single Block Allocation struct>
 | 11 <Fixed Allocation : Fixed Allocation struct>
 | 00 <Extension>}

```

{ 0 | 1 < EGPRS_MCS_MODE : bit (4) >

< RESEGMENT : bit (1) >

< EGPRS Window Size : < EGPRS Window Size IE >> }

{ 0 | 1 < Packet Extended Timing Advance : bit (2) > }

< SPARE_BITS : bit** > ;

<Extension> ::= -- Future extension can be done by modifying this structure

null ;

<Dynamic Allocation struct > ::=

< Extended Dynamic Allocation : bit(1)>

{ 0 | 1 < P0 : bit (4) >

< PR_MODE : bit (1) > }

< USF_GRANULARITY : bit (1) >

{ 0 | 1 < UPLINK_TFI_ASSIGNMENT : bit (5) > }

{ 0 | 1 < RLC_DATA_BLOCKS_GRANTED : bit (8) > }

{ 0 -- Timeslot Allocation

{ 0 | 1 < USF_TN0 : bit (3) > }

{ 0 | 1 < USF_TN1 : bit (3) > }

{ 0 | 1 < USF_TN2 : bit (3) > }

{ 0 | 1 < USF_TN3 : bit (3) > }

{ 0 | 1 < USF_TN4 : bit (3) > }

{ 0 | 1 < USF_TN5 : bit (3) > }

{ 0 | 1 < USF_TN6 : bit (3) > }

{ 0 | 1 < USF_TN7 : bit (3) > }

| 1 -- Timeslot Allocation with Power Control Parameters

< ALPHA : bit (4) >

{ 0 | 1 < USF_TN0 : bit (3) >

< GAMMA_TN0 : bit (5) > }

{ 0 | 1 < USF_TN1 : bit (3) >

< GAMMA_TN1 : bit (5) > }

{ 0 | 1 < USF_TN2 : bit (3) >

< GAMMA_TN2 : bit (5) > }

{ 0 | 1 < USF_TN3 : bit (3) >

< GAMMA_TN3 : bit (5) > }

```

    { 0 | 1 < USF_TN4 : bit (3) >
      < GAMMA_TN4 : bit (5) > }
    { 0 | 1 < USF_TN5 : bit (3) >
      < GAMMA_TN5 : bit (5) > }
    { 0 | 1 < USF_TN6 : bit (3) >
      < GAMMA_TN6 : bit (5) > }
    { 0 | 1 < USF_TN7 : bit (3) >
      < GAMMA_TN7 : bit (5) > } };

```

<Single Block Allocation struct > ::=

```

    < TIMESLOT_NUMBER : bit (3) >
    { 0 | 1 < ALPHA : bit (4) >
      < GAMMA_TN : bit (5) > }
    { 0 | 1 < P0 : bit (4) >
      < BTS_PWR_CTRL_MODE : bit (1) >
      < PR_MODE : bit (1) > } ;

```

<Fixed Allocation struct > ::=

```

    { 0 | 1 < UPLINK_TFI_ASSIGNMENT : bit (5) > }
    < FINAL_ALLOCATION : bit (1) >
    < DOWNLINK_CONTROL_TIMESLOT : bit(3) >
    { 0 | 1 < P0 : bit (4) >
      < BTS_PWR_CTRL_MODE : bit (1) >
      < PR_MODE : bit (1) > }
    { 0 < TIMESLOT_ALLOCATION : bit (8) >
      | 1 < Power Control Parameters : Power Control Parameters IE > }
    < HALF_DUPLEX_MODE : bit (1) >
    { 0 { 0 -- with length of allocation bitmap
      < BLOCKS_OR_BLOCK_PERIODS : bit (1) >
      < ALLOCATION_BITMAP_LENGTH : bit (7) >
      < ALLOCATION_BITMAP : bit (val(ALLOCATION_BITMAP_LENGTH)) >
      | 1 -- without length of Allocation Bitmap (fills remainder of this IE)
      < ALLOCATION_BITMAP : bit ** > }
    ! < Message escape : 1 bit (*) = <no string> > } ;

```

Editors note: This IE has a number of differences to the contents of the PACKET UPLINK ASSIGNMENT message described in GSM 04.60:

- the PAGE_MODE is not included because this IE is sent on a DCCH, not on the PCH/AGCH;
- the Referenced Address is not included because this IE is sent in a dedicated mode message and hence has only one intended recipient;
- the CONTENTION_RESOLUTION_TLLI is not included because this IE is sent after dedicated mode contention resolution;
- the GSM 04.60 Frequency Parameters are not included because the dedicated mode message(s) carry this information in other information elements (eg Mobile Allocation);
- the TBF_STARTING_TIME is not included because it duplicates the information in the *Starting Time* IE;
- the ALLOCATION_REFERENCE is not included because this IE is in a message sent in dedicated mode using a reliable data link.

R'98 GSM 400 MS requirements:

From R'98 GSM400 point of view the relevant fields of interest are *EGPRS_MCS_MODE*, *RESEGMENT*, *EGPRS Window Size* and *Packet Extended Timing Advance*. These all are defined as spare in R'98 specification. However in case of GSM400 MS that states conformance with Release 98 all other mentioned fields shall be left out from the Packet Uplink Assignment by indicating with '0' that the following structures are not included, but the *Packet Extended Timing Advance* field shall be indicated according to intended timing advance value.

4.2.2 RR Packet Downlink Assignment IE

The *RR Packet Downlink Assignment* information element is coded as shown in tables 10.5.62/GSM 04.18 and 10.5.63/GSM 04.18.

The *RR Packet Downlink Assignment* is a type 4 information element.

For a mobile station assigned to operate in the fixed allocation MAC mode, the network may assign regularly repeating intervals during which the mobile station shall measure neighbour cell power levels.

Table 10.5.62: RR PACKET DOWNLINK ASSIGNMENT information element

```

< RR Packet Downlink Assignment IE > ::=
  < LENGTH_IN_OCTETS : bit (8) >
  < MAC_MODE : bit (2) >
  < RLC_MODE : bit (1) >
  < TIMESLOT_ALLOCATION : bit (8) >
    < Packet Timing Advance : Packet Timing Advance IE >
  { 0 | 1 < P0 : bit (4) >
    < BTS_PWR_CTRL_MODE : bit(1) >
    < PR_MODE : bit (1) >}
  { 0 | 1 < Power Control Parameters : Power Control Parameters IE > }
  { 0 | 1 < DOWNLINK_TFI_ASSIGNMENT : bit (5) > }
  { 0 | 1 < MEASUREMENT_STARTING_TIME : bit (16) >
    < MEASUREMENT_INTERVAL : bit (5) >
    < MEASUREMENT_BITMAP : bit (8) > }
  { 0 | 1-- indicates EGPRS TBF mode, see 04.60
    < EGPRS Window Size : < EGPRS Window Size IE >> }
    < LINK_QUALITY_MEASUREMENT_MODE : bit (2)>}
  { 0 | 1 < Packet Extended timing Advance : bit (2)> }
  < SPARE_BITS : bit **> ;

```

Editors note: This IE has a number of differences to the contents of the PACKET DOWNLINK ASSIGNMENT message described in GSM 04.60:

- the PAGE_MODE is not included because this IE is sent on a DCCH not on the PCH/AGCH;
- Referenced Address is not included because this IE is sent in a dedicated mode message and hence has only one intended recipient.
- the GSM 04.60 Frequency Parameters are not included because the dedicated mode message(s) carry this information in other information elements (eg Mobile Allocation);
- the TBF_STARTING_TIME is not included because it duplicates the information in the *Starting Time* IE.

R'98 GSM 400 MS requirements:

In case of R'98 GSM400 MS the fields of interest are *Indication of the EGPRS TBF mode*, *EGPRS Window Size*, *LINK_QUALITY_MEASUREMENT_MODE* and *Packet Extended Timing Advance*. From these fields others shall not be included to the message, but the field *Packet Extended Timing Advance* shall be used according to intended timing advance value.

Annex A (informative): Change History

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