

TITLE

Base Station Configuration for V2X

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 62/413,811, filed October 27, 2016, which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SEVERAL VIEWS OF THE DRAWINGS

- [0002] Examples of several of the various embodiments of the present invention are described herein with reference to the drawings.
- [0003] FIG. 1 is a diagram depicting example sets of OFDM subcarriers as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present invention.
- [0004] FIG. 2 is a diagram depicting an example transmission time and reception time for two carriers in a carrier group as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present invention.
- [0005] FIG. 3 is a diagram depicting OFDM radio resources as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present invention.
- [0006] FIG. 4 is a block diagram of a base station and a wireless device as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present invention.
- [0007] FIG. 5A, FIG. 5B, FIG. 5C and FIG. 5D are example diagrams for uplink and downlink signal transmission as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present invention.
- [0008] FIG. 6 is an example diagram for a protocol structure with CA and DC as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present invention.
- [0009] FIG. 7 is an example diagram for a protocol structure with CA and DC as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present invention.
- [0010] FIG. 8 shows example TAG configurations as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present invention.
- [0011] FIG. 9 is an example message flow in a random access process in a secondary TAG as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present invention.
- [0012] FIG. 10 is an example data flow diagram as per an aspect of embodiments of the present disclosure.
- [0013] FIG. 11 is an example data flow diagram as per an aspect of embodiments of the present disclosure.
- [0014] FIG. 12 is an example data flow diagram as per an aspect of embodiments of the present disclosure.

[0015] FIG. 13 is an example data flow diagram as per an aspect of embodiments of the present disclosure.

[0016] FIG. 14 is an example flow diagram as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0017] FIG. 15 is an example flow diagram as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0018] FIG. 16 is an example flow diagram as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0019] FIG. 17 is an example flow diagram as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0020] FIG. 18 is an example flow diagram as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present disclosure.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF EMBODIMENTS

[0021] Example embodiments of the present invention enable operation of carrier aggregation. Embodiments of the technology disclosed herein may be employed in the technical field of multicarrier communication systems. More particularly, the embodiments of the technology disclosed herein may relate to signal timing in a multicarrier communication systems.

[0022] The following Acronyms are used throughout the present disclosure:

ASIC	application-specific integrated circuit
BPSK	binary phase shift keying
CA	carrier aggregation
CSI	channel state information
CDMA	code division multiple access
CSS	common search space
CPLD	complex programmable logic devices
CC	component carrier
DL	downlink
DCI	downlink control information
DC	dual connectivity
EPC	evolved packet core
E-UTRAN	evolved-universal terrestrial radio access network
FPGA	field programmable gate arrays
FDD	frequency division multiplexing

HDL	hardware description languages
HARQ	hybrid automatic repeat request
IE	information element
LTE	long term evolution
MCG	master cell group
MeNB	master evolved node B
MIB	master information block
MAC	media access control
MAC	media access control
MME	mobility management entity
NAS	non-access stratum
OFDM	orthogonal frequency division multiplexing
PDCP	packet data convergence protocol
PDU	packet data unit
PHY	physical
PDCCH	physical downlink control channel
PHICH	physical HARQ indicator channel
PUCCH	physical uplink control channel
PUSCH	physical uplink shared channel
PCell	primary cell
PCell	primary cell
PCC	primary component carrier
PSCell	primary secondary cell
pTAG	primary timing advance group
QAM	quadrature amplitude modulation
QPSK	quadrature phase shift keying
RBG	Resource Block Groups
RLC	radio link control
RRC	radio resource control
RA	random access
RB	resource blocks
SCC	secondary component carrier
SCell	secondary cell
Scell	secondary cells
SCG	secondary cell group

SeNB	secondary evolved node B
sTAGs	secondary timing advance group
SDU	service data unit
S-GW	serving gateway
SRB	signaling radio bearer
SC-OFDM	single carrier-OFDM
SFN	system frame number
SIB	system information block
TAI	tracking area identifier
TAT	time alignment timer
TDD	time division duplexing
TDMA	time division multiple access
TA	timing advance
TAG	timing advance group
TB	transport block
UL	uplink
UE	user equipment
VHDL	VHSIC hardware description language

[0023] Example embodiments of the invention may be implemented using various physical layer modulation and transmission mechanisms. Example transmission mechanisms may include, but are not limited to: CDMA, OFDM, TDMA, Wavelet technologies, and/or the like. Hybrid transmission mechanisms such as TDMA/CDMA, and OFDM/CDMA may also be employed. Various modulation schemes may be applied for signal transmission in the physical layer. Examples of modulation schemes include, but are not limited to: phase, amplitude, code, a combination of these, and/or the like. An example radio transmission method may implement QAM using BPSK, QPSK, 16-QAM, 64-QAM, 256-QAM, and/or the like. Physical radio transmission may be enhanced by dynamically or semi-dynamically changing the modulation and coding scheme depending on transmission requirements and radio conditions.

[0024] FIG. 1 is a diagram depicting example sets of OFDM subcarriers as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present invention. As illustrated in this example, arrow(s) in the diagram may depict a subcarrier in a multicarrier OFDM system. The OFDM system may use technology such as OFDM technology, DFTS-OFDM, SC-OFDM technology, or the like. For example, arrow 101 shows a subcarrier transmitting information symbols. FIG. 1 is for illustration purposes, and a typical multicarrier OFDM system may include more subcarriers

in a carrier. For example, the number of subcarriers in a carrier may be in the range of 10 to 10,000 subcarriers. FIG. 1 shows two guard bands 106 and 107 in a transmission band. As illustrated in FIG. 1, guard band 106 is between subcarriers 103 and subcarriers 104. The example set of subcarriers A 102 includes subcarriers 103 and subcarriers 104. FIG. 1 also illustrates an example set of subcarriers B 105. As illustrated, there is no guard band between any two subcarriers in the example set of subcarriers B 105. Carriers in a multicarrier OFDM communication system may be contiguous carriers, non-contiguous carriers, or a combination of both contiguous and non-contiguous carriers.

[0025] FIG. 2 is a diagram depicting an example transmission time and reception time for two carriers as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present invention. A multicarrier OFDM communication system may include one or more carriers, for example, ranging from 1 to 10 carriers. Carrier A 204 and carrier B 205 may have the same or different timing structures. Although FIG. 2 shows two synchronized carriers, carrier A 204 and carrier B 205 may or may not be synchronized with each other. Different radio frame structures may be supported for FDD and TDD duplex mechanisms. FIG. 2 shows an example FDD frame timing. Downlink and uplink transmissions may be organized into radio frames 201. In this example, radio frame duration is 10 msec. Other frame durations, for example, in the range of 1 to 100 msec may also be supported. In this example, each 10 ms radio frame 201 may be divided into ten equally sized subframes 202. Other subframe durations such as including 0.5 msec, 1 msec, 2 msec, and 5 msec may also be supported. Subframe(s) may consist of two or more slots (*e.g.* slots 206 and 207). For the example of FDD, 10 subframes may be available for downlink transmission and 10 subframes may be available for uplink transmissions in each 10 ms interval. Uplink and downlink transmissions may be separated in the frequency domain. Slot(s) may include a plurality of OFDM symbols 203. The number of OFDM symbols 203 in a slot 206 may depend on the cyclic prefix length and subcarrier spacing.

[0026] FIG. 3 is a diagram depicting OFDM radio resources as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present invention. The resource grid structure in time 304 and frequency 305 is illustrated in FIG. 3. The quantity of downlink subcarriers or RBs (in this example 6 to 100 RBs) may depend, at least in part, on the downlink transmission bandwidth 306 configured in the cell. The smallest radio resource unit may be called a resource element (*e.g.* 301). Resource elements may be grouped into resource blocks (*e.g.* 302). Resource blocks may be grouped into larger radio resources called Resource Block Groups (RBG) (*e.g.* 303). The transmitted signal in slot 206 may be described by one or several resource grids of a plurality of subcarriers and a plurality of OFDM symbols. Resource blocks may be used to describe the mapping of certain physical channels to resource elements. Other pre-defined

groupings of physical resource elements may be implemented in the system depending on the radio technology. For example, 24 subcarriers may be grouped as a radio block for a duration of 5 msec. In an illustrative example, a resource block may correspond to one slot in the time domain and 180 kHz in the frequency domain (for 15 KHz subcarrier bandwidth and 12 subcarriers).

[0027] FIG. 5A, FIG. 5B, FIG. 5C and FIG. 5D are example diagrams for uplink and downlink signal transmission as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present invention. FIG. 5A shows an example uplink physical channel. The baseband signal representing the physical uplink shared channel may perform the following processes. These functions are illustrated as examples and it is anticipated that other mechanisms may be implemented in various embodiments. The functions may comprise scrambling, modulation of scrambled bits to generate complex-valued symbols, mapping of the complex-valued modulation symbols onto one or several transmission layers, transform precoding to generate complex-valued symbols, precoding of the complex-valued symbols, mapping of precoded complex-valued symbols to resource elements, generation of complex-valued time-domain DFTS-OFDM/SC-FDMA signal for each antenna port, and/or the like.

[0028] Example modulation and up-conversion to the carrier frequency of the complex-valued DFTS-OFDM/SC-FDMA baseband signal for each antenna port and/or the complex-valued PRACH baseband signal is shown in FIG. 5B. Filtering may be employed prior to transmission.

[0029] An example structure for Downlink Transmissions is shown in FIG. 5C. The baseband signal representing a downlink physical channel may perform the following processes. These functions are illustrated as examples and it is anticipated that other mechanisms may be implemented in various embodiments. The functions include scrambling of coded bits in each of the codewords to be transmitted on a physical channel; modulation of scrambled bits to generate complex-valued modulation symbols; mapping of the complex-valued modulation symbols onto one or several transmission layers; precoding of the complex-valued modulation symbols on each layer for transmission on the antenna ports; mapping of complex-valued modulation symbols for each antenna port to resource elements; generation of complex-valued time-domain OFDM signal for each antenna port, and/or the like.

[0030] Example modulation and up-conversion to the carrier frequency of the complex-valued OFDM baseband signal for each antenna port is shown in FIG. 5D. Filtering may be employed prior to transmission.

[0031] FIG. 4 is an example block diagram of a base station 401 and a wireless device 406, as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present invention. A communication network 400 may include at least one base station 401 and at least one wireless device 406. The base station 401 may include at least one communication interface 402, at least one processor 403, and at least one set of program code instructions 405 stored in non-transitory memory 404 and executable by the at least one processor 403. The wireless device 406 may include at least one communication interface 407, at least one processor 408, and at least one set of program code instructions 410 stored in non-transitory memory 409 and executable by the at least one processor 408. Communication interface 402 in base station 401 may be configured to engage in communication with communication interface 407 in wireless device 406 via a communication path that includes at least one wireless link 411. Wireless link 411 may be a bi-directional link. Communication interface 407 in wireless device 406 may also be configured to engage in a communication with communication interface 402 in base station 401. Base station 401 and wireless device 406 may be configured to send and receive data over wireless link 411 using multiple frequency carriers. According to some of the various aspects of embodiments, transceiver(s) may be employed. A transceiver is a device that includes both a transmitter and receiver. Transceivers may be employed in devices such as wireless devices, base stations, relay nodes, and/or the like. Example embodiments for radio technology implemented in communication interface 402, 407 and wireless link 411 are illustrated are FIG. 1, FIG. 2, FIG. 3, FIG. 5, and associated text.

[0032] An interface may be a hardware interface, a firmware interface, a software interface, and/or a combination thereof. The hardware interface may include connectors, wires, electronic devices such as drivers, amplifiers, and/or the like. A software interface may include code stored in a memory device to implement protocol(s), protocol layers, communication drivers, device drivers, combinations thereof, and/or the like. A firmware interface may include a combination of embedded hardware and code stored in and/or in communication with a memory device to implement connections, electronic device operations, protocol(s), protocol layers, communication drivers, device drivers, hardware operations, combinations thereof, and/or the like.

[0033] The term configured may relate to the capacity of a device whether the device is in an operational or non-operational state. Configured may also refer to specific settings in a device that effect the operational characteristics of the device whether the device is in an operational or non-operational state. In other words, the hardware, software, firmware, registers, memory values, and/or the like may be “configured” within a device, whether the device is in an operational or nonoperational state, to provide the device with specific

characteristics. Terms such as “a control message to cause in a device” may mean that a control message has parameters that may be used to configure specific characteristics in the device, whether the device is in an operational or non-operational state.

[0034] According to some of the various aspects of embodiments, an LTE network may include a multitude of base stations, providing a user plane PDCP/RLC/MAC/PHY and control plane (RRC) protocol terminations towards the wireless device. The base station(s) may be interconnected with other base station(s) (*e.g.* employing an X2 interface). The base stations may also be connected employing, for example, an S1 interface to an EPC. For example, the base stations may be interconnected to the MME employing the S1-MME interface and to the S-G) employing the S1-U interface. The S1 interface may support a many-to-many relation between MMEs / Serving Gateways and base stations. A base station may include many sectors for example: 1, 2, 3, 4, or 6 sectors. A base station may include many cells, for example, ranging from 1 to 50 cells or more. A cell may be categorized, for example, as a primary cell or secondary cell. At RRC connection establishment/re-establishment/handover, one serving cell may provide the NAS (non-access stratum) mobility information (*e.g.* TAI), and at RRC connection re-establishment/handover, one serving cell may provide the security input. This cell may be referred to as the Primary Cell (PCell). In the downlink, the carrier corresponding to the PCell may be the Downlink Primary Component Carrier (DL PCC), while in the uplink, it may be the Uplink Primary Component Carrier (UL PCC). Depending on wireless device capabilities, Secondary Cells (SCells) may be configured to form together with the PCell a set of serving cells. In the downlink, the carrier corresponding to an SCell may be a Downlink Secondary Component Carrier (DL SCC), while in the uplink, it may be an Uplink Secondary Component Carrier (UL SCC). An SCell may or may not have an uplink carrier.

[0035] A cell, comprising a downlink carrier and optionally an uplink carrier, may be assigned a physical cell ID and a cell index. A carrier (downlink or uplink) may belong to only one cell. The cell ID or Cell index may also identify the downlink carrier or uplink carrier of the cell (depending on the context it is used). In the specification, cell ID may be equally referred to a carrier ID, and cell index may be referred to carrier index. In implementation, the physical cell ID or cell index may be assigned to a cell. A cell ID may be determined using a synchronization signal transmitted on a downlink carrier. A cell index may be determined using RRC messages. For example, when the specification refers to a first physical cell ID for a first downlink carrier, the specification may mean the first physical cell ID is for a cell comprising the first downlink carrier. The same concept may apply to, for

example, carrier activation. When the specification indicates that a first carrier is activated, the specification may equally mean that the cell comprising the first carrier is activated.

[0036] Embodiments may be configured to operate as needed. The disclosed mechanism may be performed when certain criteria are met, for example, in a wireless device, a base station, a radio environment, a network, a combination of the above, and/or the like. Example criteria may be based, at least in part, on for example, traffic load, initial system set up, packet sizes, traffic characteristics, a combination of the above, and/or the like. When the one or more criteria are met, various example embodiments may be applied. Therefore, it may be possible to implement example embodiments that selectively implement disclosed protocols.

[0037] A base station may communicate with a mix of wireless devices. Wireless devices may support multiple technologies, and/or multiple releases of the same technology. Wireless devices may have some specific capability(ies) depending on its wireless device category and/or capability(ies). A base station may comprise multiple sectors. When this disclosure refers to a base station communicating with a plurality of wireless devices, this disclosure may refer to a subset of the total wireless devices in a coverage area. This disclosure may refer to, for example, a plurality of wireless devices of a given LTE release with a given capability and in a given sector of the base station. The plurality of wireless devices in this disclosure may refer to a selected plurality of wireless devices, and/or a subset of total wireless devices in a coverage area which perform according to disclosed methods, and/or the like. There may be a plurality of wireless devices in a coverage area that may not comply with the disclosed methods, for example, because those wireless devices perform based on older releases of LTE technology.

[0038] FIG. 6 and FIG. 7 are example diagrams for protocol structure with CA and DC as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present invention. E-UTRAN may support Dual Connectivity (DC) operation whereby a multiple RX/TX UE in RRC_CONNECTED may be configured to utilize radio resources provided by two schedulers located in two eNBs connected via a non-ideal backhaul over the X2 interface. eNBs involved in DC for a certain UE may assume two different roles: an eNB may either act as an MeNB or as an SeNB. In DC a UE may be connected to one MeNB and one SeNB. Mechanisms implemented in DC may be extended to cover more than two eNBs. FIG. 7 illustrates one example structure for the UE side MAC entities when a Master Cell Group (MCG) and a Secondary Cell Group (SCG) are configured, and it may not restrict implementation. Media Broadcast Multicast Service (MBMS) reception is not shown in this figure for simplicity.

[0039] In DC, the radio protocol architecture that a particular bearer uses may depend on how the bearer is setup. Three alternatives may exist, an MCG bearer, an SCG bearer and a

split bearer as shown in FIG. 6. RRC may be located in MeNB and SRBs may be configured as a MCG bearer type and may use the radio resources of the MeNB. DC may also be described as having at least one bearer configured to use radio resources provided by the SeNB. DC may or may not be configured/implemented in example embodiments of the invention.

[0040] In the case of DC, the UE may be configured with two MAC entities: one MAC entity for MeNB, and one MAC entity for SeNB. In DC, the configured set of serving cells for a UE may comprise of two subsets: the Master Cell Group (MCG) containing the serving cells of the MeNB, and the Secondary Cell Group (SCG) containing the serving cells of the SeNB. For a SCG, one or more of the following may be applied: at least one cell in the SCG has a configured UL CC and one of them, named PSCell (or PCell of SCG, or sometimes called PCell), is configured with PUCCH resources; when the SCG is configured, there may be at least one SCG bearer or one Split bearer; upon detection of a physical layer problem or a random access problem on a PSCell, or the maximum number of RLC retransmissions has been reached associated with the SCG, or upon detection of an access problem on a PSCell during a SCG addition or a SCG change: a RRC connection re-establishment procedure may not be triggered, UL transmissions towards cells of the SCG are stopped, a MeNB may be informed by the UE of a SCG failure type, for split bearer, the DL data transfer over the MeNB is maintained; the RLC AM bearer may be configured for the split bearer; like PCell, PSCell may not be de-activated; PSCell may be changed with a SCG change (*e.g.* with security key change and a RACH procedure); and/or neither a direct bearer type change between a Split bearer and a SCG bearer nor simultaneous configuration of a SCG and a Split bearer are supported.

[0041] With respect to the interaction between a MeNB and a SeNB, one or more of the following principles may be applied: the MeNB may maintain the RRM measurement configuration of the UE and may, (*e.g.* based on received measurement reports or traffic conditions or bearer types), decide to ask a SeNB to provide additional resources (serving cells) for a UE; upon receiving a request from the MeNB, a SeNB may create a container that may result in the configuration of additional serving cells for the UE (or decide that it has no resource available to do so); for UE capability coordination, the MeNB may provide (part of) the AS configuration and the UE capabilities to the SeNB; the MeNB and the SeNB may exchange information about a UE configuration by employing of RRC containers (inter-node messages) carried in X2 messages; the SeNB may initiate a reconfiguration of its existing serving cells (*e.g.*, PUCCH towards the SeNB); the SeNB may decide which cell is the PSCell within the SCG; the MeNB may not change the content of the RRC configuration provided by

the SeNB; in the case of a SCG addition and a SCG SCell addition, the MeNB may provide the latest measurement results for the SCG cell(s); both a MeNB and a SeNB may know the SFN and subframe offset of each other by OAM, (*e.g.*, for the purpose of DRX alignment and identification of a measurement gap). In an example, when adding a new SCG SCell, dedicated RRC signalling may be used for sending required system information of the cell as for CA, except for the SFN acquired from a MIB of the PSCell of a SCG.

[0042] In an example, serving cells may be grouped in a TA group (TAG). Serving cells in one TAG may use the same timing reference. For a given TAG, user equipment (UE) may use at least one downlink carrier as a timing reference. For a given TAG, a UE may synchronize uplink subframe and frame transmission timing of uplink carriers belonging to the same TAG. In an example, serving cells having an uplink to which the same TA applies may correspond to serving cells hosted by the same receiver. A UE supporting multiple TAs may support two or more TA groups. One TA group may contain the PCell and may be called a primary TAG (pTAG). In a multiple TAG configuration, at least one TA group may not contain the PCell and may be called a secondary TAG (sTAG). In an example, carriers within the same TA group may use the same TA value and/or the same timing reference. When DC is configured, cells belonging to a cell group (MCG or SCG) may be grouped into multiple TAGs including a pTAG and one or more sTAGs.

[0043] FIG. 8 shows example TAG configurations as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present invention. In Example 1, pTAG comprises PCell, and an sTAG comprises SCell1. In Example 2, a pTAG comprises a PCell and SCell1, and an sTAG comprises SCell2 and SCell3. In Example 3, pTAG comprises PCell and SCell1, and an sTAG1 includes SCell2 and SCell3, and sTAG2 comprises SCell4. Up to four TAGs may be supported in a cell group (MCG or SCG) and other example TAG configurations may also be provided. In various examples in this disclosure, example mechanisms are described for a pTAG and an sTAG. Some of the example mechanisms may be applied to configurations with multiple sTAGs.

[0044] In an example, an eNB may initiate an RA procedure via a PDCCH order for an activated SCell. This PDCCH order may be sent on a scheduling cell of this SCell. When cross carrier scheduling is configured for a cell, the scheduling cell may be different than the cell that is employed for preamble transmission, and the PDCCH order may include an SCell index. At least a non-contention based RA procedure may be supported for SCell(s) assigned to sTAG(s).

[0045] FIG. 9 is an example message flow in a random access process in a secondary TAG as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present invention. An eNB transmits an activation

command 600 to activate an SCell. A preamble 602 (Msg1) may be sent by a UE in response to a PDCCH order 601 on an SCell belonging to an sTAG. In an example embodiment, preamble transmission for SCells may be controlled by the network using PDCCH format 1A. Msg2 message 603 (RAR: random access response) in response to the preamble transmission on the SCell may be addressed to RA-RNTI in a PCell common search space (CSS). Uplink packets 604 may be transmitted on the SCell in which the preamble was transmitted.

[0046] According to some of the various aspects of embodiments, initial timing alignment may be achieved through a random access procedure. This may involve a UE transmitting a random access preamble and an eNB responding with an initial TA command NTA (amount of timing advance) within a random access response window. The start of the random access preamble may be aligned with the start of a corresponding uplink subframe at the UE assuming NTA=0. The eNB may estimate the uplink timing from the random access preamble transmitted by the UE. The TA command may be derived by the eNB based on the estimation of the difference between the desired UL timing and the actual UL timing. The UE may determine the initial uplink transmission timing relative to the corresponding downlink of the sTAG on which the preamble is transmitted.

[0047] The mapping of a serving cell to a TAG may be configured by a serving eNB with RRC signaling. The mechanism for TAG configuration and reconfiguration may be based on RRC signaling. According to some of the various aspects of embodiments, when an eNB performs an SCell addition configuration, the related TAG configuration may be configured for the SCell. In an example embodiment, an eNB may modify the TAG configuration of an SCell by removing (releasing) the SCell and adding(configuring) a new SCell (with the same physical cell ID and frequency) with an updated TAG ID. The new SCell with the updated TAG ID may initially be inactive subsequent to being assigned the updated TAG ID. The eNB may activate the updated new SCell and start scheduling packets on the activated SCell. In an example implementation, it may not be possible to change the TAG associated with an SCell, but rather, the SCell may need to be removed and a new SCell may need to be added with another TAG. For example, if there is a need to move an SCell from an sTAG to a pTAG, at least one RRC message, for example, at least one RRC reconfiguration message, may be send to the UE to reconfigure TAG configurations by releasing the SCell and then configuring the SCell as a part of the pTAG (when an SCell is added/configured without a TAG index, the SCell may be explicitly assigned to the pTAG). The PCell may not change its TA group and may be a member of the pTAG.

[0048] The purpose of an RRC connection reconfiguration procedure may be to modify an RRC connection, (e.g. to establish, modify and/or release RBs, to perform handover, to setup,

modify, and/or release measurements, to add, modify, and/or release SCells). If the received RRC Connection Reconfiguration message includes the sCellToReleaseList, the UE may perform an SCell release. If the received RRC Connection Reconfiguration message includes the sCellToAddModList, the UE may perform SCell additions or modification.

[0049] In LTE Release-10 and Release-11 CA, a PUCCH is only transmitted on the PCell (PSCell) to an eNB. In LTE-Release 12 and earlier, a UE may transmit PUCCH information on one cell (PCell or PSCell) to a given eNB.

[0050] As the number of CA capable UEs and also the number of aggregated carriers increase, the number of PUCCHs and also the PUCCH payload size may increase. Accommodating the PUCCH transmissions on the PCell may lead to a high PUCCH load on the PCell. A PUCCH on an SCell may be introduced to offload the PUCCH resource from the PCell. More than one PUCCH may be configured for example, a PUCCH on a PCell and another PUCCH on an SCell. In the example embodiments, one, two or more cells may be configured with PUCCH resources for transmitting CSI/ACK/NACK to a base station. Cells may be grouped into multiple PUCCH groups, and one or more cell within a group may be configured with a PUCCH. In an example configuration, one SCell may belong to one PUCCH group. SCells with a configured PUCCH transmitted to a base station may be called a PUCCH SCell, and a cell group with a common PUCCH resource transmitted to the same base station may be called a PUCCH group.

[0051] In an example embodiment, a MAC entity may have a configurable timer timeAlignmentTimer per TAG. The timeAlignmentTimer may be used to control how long the MAC entity considers the Serving Cells belonging to the associated TAG to be uplink time aligned. The MAC entity may, when a Timing Advance Command MAC control element is received, apply the Timing Advance Command for the indicated TAG; start or restart the timeAlignmentTimer associated with the indicated TAG. The MAC entity may, when a Timing Advance Command is received in a Random Access Response message for a serving cell belonging to a TAG and/or if the Random Access Preamble was not selected by the MAC entity, apply the Timing Advance Command for this TAG and start or restart the timeAlignmentTimer associated with this TAG. Otherwise, if the timeAlignmentTimer associated with this TAG is not running, the Timing Advance Command for this TAG may be applied and the timeAlignmentTimer associated with this TAG started. When the contention resolution is considered not successful, a timeAlignmentTimer associated with this TAG may be stopped. Otherwise, the MAC entity may ignore the received Timing Advance Command.

[0052] In example embodiments, a timer is running once it is started, until it is stopped or until it expires; otherwise it may not be running. A timer can be started if it is not running or restarted if it is running. For example, a timer may be started or restarted from its initial value.

[0053] Example embodiments of the invention may enable operation of multi-carrier communications. Other example embodiments may comprise a non-transitory tangible computer readable media comprising instructions executable by one or more processors to cause operation of multi-carrier communications. Yet other example embodiments may comprise an article of manufacture that comprises a non-transitory tangible computer readable machine-accessible medium having instructions encoded thereon for enabling programmable hardware to cause a device (*e.g.* wireless communicator, UE, base station, etc.) to enable operation of multi-carrier communications. The device may include processors, memory, interfaces, and/or the like. Other example embodiments may comprise communication networks comprising devices such as base stations, wireless devices (or user equipment: UE), servers, switches, antennas, and/or the like.

[0054] The amount of data traffic carried over cellular networks is expected to increase for many years to come. The number of users/devices is increasing and each user/device accesses an increasing number and variety of services, *e.g.* video delivery, large files, images. This requires not only high capacity in the network, but also provisioning very high data rates to meet customers' expectations on interactivity and responsiveness. More spectrum is therefore needed for cellular operators to meet the increasing demand. Considering user expectations of high data rates along with seamless mobility, it is beneficial that more spectrum be made available for deploying macro cells as well as small cells for cellular systems.

[0055] Striving to meet the market demands, there has been increasing interest from operators in deploying some complementary access utilizing unlicensed spectrum to meet the traffic growth. This is exemplified by the large number of operator-deployed Wi-Fi networks and the 3GPP standardization of LTE/WLAN interworking solutions. This interest indicates that unlicensed spectrum, when present, can be an effective complement to licensed spectrum for cellular operators to help addressing the traffic explosion in some scenarios, such as hotspot areas. LAA offers an alternative for operators to make use of unlicensed spectrum while managing one radio network, thus offering new possibilities for optimizing the network's efficiency.

[0056] In an example embodiment, Listen-before-talk (clear channel assessment) may be implemented for transmission in an LAA cell. In a listen-before-talk (LBT) procedure, equipment may apply a clear channel assessment (CCA) check before using the channel. For example, the CCA utilizes at least energy detection to determine the presence or absence of

other signals on a channel in order to determine if a channel is occupied or clear, respectively. For example, European and Japanese regulations mandate the usage of LBT in the unlicensed bands. Apart from regulatory requirements, carrier sensing via LBT may be one way for fair sharing of the unlicensed spectrum.

[0057] In an example embodiment, discontinuous transmission on an unlicensed carrier with limited maximum transmission duration may be enabled. Some of these functions may be supported by one or more signals to be transmitted from the beginning of a discontinuous LAA downlink transmission. Channel reservation may be enabled by the transmission of signals, by an LAA node, after gaining channel access via a successful LBT operation, so that other nodes that receive the transmitted signal with energy above a certain threshold sense the channel to be occupied. Functions that may need to be supported by one or more signals for LAA operation with discontinuous downlink transmission may include one or more of the following: detection of the LAA downlink transmission (including cell identification) by UEs; time & frequency synchronization of UEs.

[0058] In an example embodiment, DL LAA design may employ subframe boundary alignment according to LTE-A carrier aggregation timing relationships across serving cells aggregated by CA. This may not imply that the eNB transmissions can start only at the subframe boundary. LAA may support transmitting PDSCH when not all OFDM symbols are available for transmission in a subframe according to LBT. Delivery of necessary control information for the PDSCH may also be supported.

[0059] LBT procedure may be employed for fair and friendly coexistence of LAA with other operators and technologies operating in unlicensed spectrum. LBT procedures on a node attempting to transmit on a carrier in unlicensed spectrum require the node to perform a clear channel assessment to determine if the channel is free for use. An LBT procedure may involve at least energy detection to determine if the channel is being used. For example, regulatory requirements in some regions, e.g., in Europe, specify an energy detection threshold such that if a node receives energy greater than this threshold, the node assumes that the channel is not free. While nodes may follow such regulatory requirements, a node may optionally use a lower threshold for energy detection than that specified by regulatory requirements. In an example, LAA may employ a mechanism to adaptively change the energy detection threshold, e.g., LAA may employ a mechanism to adaptively lower the energy detection threshold from an upper bound. Adaptation mechanism may not preclude static or semi-static setting of the threshold. In an example Category 4 LBT mechanism or other type of LBT mechanisms may be implemented.

[0060] Various example LBT mechanisms may be implemented. In an example, for some signals, in some implementation scenarios, in some situations, and/or in some frequencies no LBT procedure may be performed by the transmitting entity. In an example, Category 2 (e.g. LBT without random back-off) may be implemented. The duration of time that the channel is sensed to be idle before the transmitting entity transmits may be deterministic. In an example, Category 3 (e.g. LBT with random back-off with a contention window of fixed size) may be implemented. The LBT procedure may have the following procedure as one of its components. The transmitting entity may draw a random number N within a contention window. The size of the contention window may be specified by the minimum and maximum value of N. The size of the contention window may be fixed. The random number N may be employed in the LBT procedure to determine the duration of time that the channel is sensed to be idle before the transmitting entity transmits on the channel. In an example, Category 4 (e.g. LBT with random back-off with a contention window of variable size) may be implemented. The transmitting entity may draw a random number N within a contention window. The size of contention window may be specified by the minimum and maximum value of N. The transmitting entity may vary the size of the contention window when drawing the random number N. The random number N is used in the LBT procedure to determine the duration of time that the channel is sensed to be idle before the transmitting entity transmits on the channel.

[0061] LAA may employ uplink LBT at the UE. The UL LBT scheme may be different from the DL LBT scheme (e.g. by using different LBT mechanisms or parameters) for example, since the LAA UL is based on scheduled access which affects a UE's channel contention opportunities. Other considerations motivating a different UL LBT scheme include, but are not limited to, multiplexing of multiple UEs in a single subframe.

[0062] In an example, a DL transmission burst may be a continuous transmission from a DL transmitting node with no transmission immediately before or after from the same node on the same CC. An UL transmission burst from a UE perspective may be a continuous transmission from a UE with no transmission immediately before or after from the same UE on the same CC. In an example, UL transmission burst is defined from a UE perspective. In an example, an UL transmission burst may be defined from an eNB perspective. In an example, in case of an eNB operating DL+UL LAA over the same unlicensed carrier, DL transmission burst(s) and UL transmission burst(s) on LAA may be scheduled in a TDM manner over the same unlicensed carrier. For example, an instant in time may be part of a DL transmission burst or an UL transmission burst.

[0063] In an example, vehicle-to-everything (V2X) may operate based on based on PC5 (e.g. direct interface between wireless entity, sidelink). A UE (e.g. wireless device, vehicle, pedestrian, roadside unit, infrastructure, and/or the like) may transmit a V2X message to multiple UEs at a local area in sidelink. For vehicle-to-infrastructure (V2I), either transmitter UE or receiver UE(s) may be UE-type RSU. For vehicle-to-pedestrian (V2P), either transmitter UE or receiver UE(s) may be pedestrian UE.

[0064] In an example, UE may autonomously allocate resource, at least mode 2, based on semi-statically network-configured/pre-configured radio parameters. In an example, eNB (e.g. base station) may provide more UE specific or/and more dynamic resource allocation including mode 1.

[0065] In an example, UEs may communicate over PC5 across a single carrier, and/or UEs may communicate over PC5 across multiple carriers. In an example, UE may operate with single operator, and/or a set of PC5 operation carrier(s) may be shared by UEs subscribed to different operators. UEs belonging to different operators may transmit on the same carrier. In an example, each operator may be allocated with a different carrier. A UE may transmit on the carrier allocated to the operator which it may belong to. In an example, V2X may use dedicated carriers, and/or there may be no uplink (Uu) traffic on the PC5 operation carrier. In an example, V2X carrier may share with Uu. One or more of scenarios and combinations above may be considered in scope.

[0066] In an example, V2X may operate based on Uu. For V2V and V2P, a UE may transmit a V2X message to E-UTRAN in uplink and/or E-UTRAN may transmit it to multiple UEs at a local area in downlink. For V2I, when receiver is eNB type RSU, a UE may transmit a V2I message to E-UTRAN (e.g. eNB type RSU) in uplink; and/or when transmitter is eNB type RSU, E-UTRAN (e.g. eNB type RSU) may transmit a I2V message to multiple UEs at a local area in downlink. In an example, for V2N, the UE may communicate with an application server (e.g. traffic safety server). For V2P, either transmitter UE or receiver UE(s) may be pedestrian UE. To support this scenario, E-UTRAN may perform uplink reception and/or downlink transmission of V2X messages. For downlink, E-UTRAN may use a broadcast mechanism. In an example, E-UTRAN may support RSU for V2V and V2P operation.

[0067] In an example, eNB deployment may consider including possibility of network control. eNB deployment and/or network control for radio resources may be in uplink and/or downlink. For UL (uplink), UEs may perform uplink transmissions at a single carrier for V2X messages, and/or UEs may perform uplink transmissions across multiple carriers for V2X messages. For DL, UEs may perform downlink receptions at a single carrier for V2X messages, and/or UEs may perform downlink receptions across multiple carriers for V2X

messages. In an example, UE may operate with single operator (i.e. message exchange across operators may not be assumed). In an example, a set of Uu operation carrier(s) may be shared by UEs subscribed to different operators, wherein UEs belonging to different operators may transmit on the shared uplink carrier(s) while receiving on the shared downlink carrier(s). In an example, operators may be allocated with a different carrier for uplink and/or downlink, wherein a UE may transmit on the uplink carrier(s) allocated to the operator to which it may belong to. The UE may receive on multiple DL carriers, i.e. UE may receive on the downlink carrier allocated to the other operator as well as the downlink carrier allocated to the operator to which it belongs. A UE may be allowed to receive downlink broadcast of another operator.

[0068] In an example, V2X may operate using both Uu and PC5. In this scenario, a UE may transmit a V2X message to other UEs in sidelink. One of the receiving UEs is a UE type RSU which receives the V2X message in sidelink and transmits it to E-UTRAN in uplink. E-UTRAN receives the V2X message from the UE type RSU and/or transmits it to multiple UEs at a local area in downlink.

[0069] In an example, E-UTRAN may perform uplink reception and/or downlink transmission of V2X messages. For downlink, E-UTRAN may use a broadcast mechanism. E-UTRAN may support RSU function. In an example, UE may transmit a V2X message to E-UTRAN in uplink, and/or E-UTRAN may transmit it to one or more UE type RSUs. The UE type RSU may transmit the V2X message to other UEs in sidelink. In an example, E-UTRAN may perform uplink reception and/or downlink transmission of V2X messages. For downlink, E-UTRAN may use a broadcast mechanism. E-UTRAN may support RSU function.

[0070] In an example, for both PC5 and Uu, PC5 operation carrier and/or Uu operation carrier may be allocated to the same operator. PC5 operation carrier and Uu operation carrier may be allocated to different operators. In this case, uplink operation carrier and/or downlink operation carrier may be allocated to the same operator. In an example, uplink operation carrier and/or downlink operation carrier may be allocated to different operators. In an example, dedicated operation carrier may be used for V2X on which there may be sidelink traffic but no uplink (Uu) traffic, i.e. uplink and sidelink may be on different carriers. In an example, the uplink carrier may be shared with sidelink, i.e. uplink and sidelink may be on the same carrier. In an example, the uplink carrier may be the dedicated operation carrier for V2X.

[0071] An issue with respect to SPS configuration is how eNB configures SPS for the UE and how SPS configuration may be maintained or updated during a handover. In an example embodiment, some UEs may support configuration of SPS on an SCell and/or may support configuration and communication for V2X services. SPS configuration may be employed for

V2X communications. In an example, V2X communication configurations may comprise SPS configuration parameters, for example, SPS configuration parameters on PCell and/or SCell. In an example embodiment, SPS may be employed for transmission of V2X traffic. Example V2X messages are shown below.

[0072] In an example, cooperative awareness messages (CAM) message generation may be dynamic in terms of size, periodicity and timing. Such changes may result in misalignment between SPS timing and CAM timing. There may be some regularity in size and periodicity between different triggers. SPS may be beneficial for some cases and SPS may be configured. UE assistance may be needed to trigger and/or employ SPS.

[0073] In an example, CAM may comprise status information (e.g. time, position, motion state, activated system, and/or the like) and/or attribute information (e.g. data about dimension, vehicle type and/or role in the road traffic, and/or the like). Decentralized environmental notification message (DENM) may comprise information related to a variety of events. Basic safety message (BSM) may comprise some of basic vehicle state information (e.g. message identifier, vehicle identifier, vehicle latitude/longitude, speed, acceleration status, and/or the like) and/or two option data frames (e.g. vehicle safety extension and/or vehicle status).

[0074] The eNB may configure multiple SPS configurations for a given UE. At least SPS-configuration-specific MCS (if MCS is part of the SPS-configuration) and SPS-configuration-specific periodicity may be configured. Some SPS parameters may differ across the SPS-configurations. The eNB may dynamically trigger/release the different SPS-configurations by use of (E)PDCCH. The UE may indicate to the eNB that it does not intend to transmit data before a transmission associated to an SPS configuration. V2X configuration in the specification refers to V2X and/or enhanced SPS configuration.

[0075] A UE may be configured with a first V2X configuration with a serving eNB. A target eNB may maintain the same V2X configuration, or may update the UE V2X configuration. The target eNB may have a different cell configuration and may require a different V2X configuration. In another example embodiment, the target eNB may employ cells with the same frequencies as the serving cell and may require maintaining the same V2X configuration. The target eNB may configure V2X configuration after the handover is completed or may configure V2X configuration during the handover process. Release 13 of LTE does not support V2X configuration, and addressing the V2X configuration changes during handover is not addressed in release 13 LTE technology. There is a need for developing a signalling flow, UE processes, and eNB processes to address V2X configuration, and V2X configuration parameter handling during the handover to reduce the

handover overhead and delay, and increase handover efficiency. Furthermore, there is a need to develop handover signalling and handover message parameters to address V2X configuration during a handover process.

[0076] According to some of the various aspects of embodiments, in RRC_CONNECTED mode, the network may control UE mobility, for example, the network may decide when the UE connects to which E-UTRA cell(s) or inter-RAT cell. For network controlled mobility in RRC_CONNECTED, the PCell may be changed using an RRC Connection Reconfiguration message including the mobilityControlInfo (handover). The SCell(s) may be changed using the RRC Connection Reconfiguration message either with or without the mobilityControlInfo. The network may trigger the handover procedure e.g. based on radio conditions, load, QoS, UE category, and/or the like. To facilitate this, the network may configure the UE to perform measurement reporting (possibly including the configuration of measurement gaps). The network may also initiate handover blindly, for example without having received measurement reports from the UE. Before sending the handover message to the UE, the source eNB may prepare one or more target cells. The source eNB may select the target PCell. The source eNB may also provide the target eNB with a list of best cells on each frequency for which measurement information is available, for example, in order of decreasing RSRP. The source eNB may also include available measurement information for the cells provided in the list. The target eNB may decide which SCells are configured for use after handover, which may include cells other than the ones indicated by the source eNB.

[0077] According to some of the various aspects of embodiments, the target eNB may generate a message used to configure the UE for the handover, for example, the message including the access stratum configuration to be used in the target cell(s). The source eNB may transparently (for example, does not alter values/content) forward the handover message/information received from the target eNB to the UE. When appropriate, the source eNB may initiate data forwarding for (a subset of) the dedicated radio bearers. After receiving the handover message, the UE may attempt to access the target PCell at the available RACH occasion according to a random access resource selection. When allocating a dedicated preamble for the random access in the target PCell, E-UTRA may ensure the preamble is available from the first RACH occasion the UE may use. Upon successful completion of the handover, the UE may send a message used to confirm the handover to the target eNB.

[0078] According to some of the various aspects of embodiments, if the target eNB does not support the release of RRC protocol which the source eNB used to configure the UE, the target eNB may be unable to comprehend the UE configuration provided by the source eNB. In this case, the target eNB may use the full configuration option to reconfigure the UE for

handover and re-establishment. Full configuration option includes an initialization of the radio configuration, which makes the procedure independent of the configuration used in the source cell(s) with the exception that the security algorithms are continued for the RRC re-establishment.

[0079] According to some of the various aspects of embodiments, after the successful completion of handover, PDCP SDUs may be re-transmitted in the target cell(s). This may apply for dedicated radio bearers using RLC-AM mode and/or for handovers not involving full configuration option. After the successful completion of handover not involving full configuration option, the SN (sequence number) and/or the HFN (hyper frame number) may be reset for some radio bearers. For the dedicated radio bearers using RLC-AM mode both SN and HFN may continue. For reconfigurations involving the full configuration option, the PDCP entities may be newly established (SN and HFN may not continue) for dedicated radio bearers irrespective of the RLC mode. UE behaviour to be performed upon handover may be the same regardless of the handover procedures used within the network (e.g. whether the handover includes X2 or S1 signalling procedures).

[0080] The source eNB may, for some time, maintain a context to enable the UE to return in case of handover failure. After having detected handover failure, the UE may attempt to resume the RRC connection either in the source PCell or in another cell using the RRC re-establishment procedure. This connection resumption may succeed if the accessed cell is prepared. For example, when the access cell is a cell of the source eNB or of another eNB towards which handover preparation has been performed. The cell in which the re-establishment procedure succeeds becomes the PCell while SCells, if configured, may be released.

[0081] Normal measurement and mobility procedures may be used to support handover to cells broadcasting a CSG (closed subscriber group) identity. In addition, E-UTRAN may configure the UE to report that it is entering or leaving the proximity of cell(s) included in its CSG whitelist. E-UTRAN may request the UE to provide additional information broadcast by the handover candidate cell e.g. cell global identity, CSG identity, CSG membership status. E-UTRAN may use the proximity report to configure measurements as well as to decide whether or not to request additional information broadcast by the handover candidate cell. The additional information may be used to verify whether or not the UE is authorised to access the target PCell and may also be needed to identify handover candidate cell. This may involve resolving PCI confusion, for example, when the physical layer identity that is included in the measurement report may not uniquely identify the cell.

[0082] According to some of the various aspects of embodiments, configuration of V2X may be configured by the serving eNB with RRC signalling. The mechanism for V2X configuration and reconfiguration may be based on RRC signalling. When needed, configuration of V2X may be reconfigured with RRC signalling. The mapping between an SCell and a V2X may not be reconfigured with RRC while the SCell is configured. For example if there is a need modify V2X configurations, at least one RRC message, for example at least one RRC reconfiguration message, may be send to the UE to reconfigure V2X configurations.

[0083] According to some of the various aspects of embodiments, when an eNB performs Cell addition configuration, the related V2X configuration may be configured for the Cell. eNB may modify V2X configuration of a Cell by removing (releasing) the Cell and adding a new Cell (with same physical cell ID and frequency) with an updated V2X (e.g. updated V2X ID). The new Cell with the updated V2X may be initially inactive subsequent to joining the updated V2X. eNB may activate the updated new SCell and/or start scheduling packets on the activated SCell.

[0084] According to some of the various aspects of embodiments, an eNB may consider UE's capability in configuring one or more V2X for a UE. UE may be configured with a configuration that is compatible with UE capability. V2X capability may be an optional feature in LTE release 14 (and/or beyond). UE may transmit its V2X capability to eNB via an RRC message and eNB may consider UE capability in configuring V2X configuration.

[0085] The purpose of RRC connection reconfiguration procedure may be to modify an RRC connection, e.g. to establish, modify and/or release RBs, to perform handover, to setup, modify, and/or release measurements, to add, modify, and/or release SCells. As part of the procedure, NAS dedicated information may be transferred from E-UTRAN to the UE. If the received RRC Connection Reconfiguration message includes the sCellToReleaseList, UE performs SCell release. If the received RRC Connection Reconfiguration message includes the sCellToAddModList, UE performs SCell additions or modification.

[0086] The UE context within the source eNB may contain information regarding roaming/handover restrictions which may be provided either at connection establishment or at the last TA (tracking area) update process. The source eNB may configure the UE measurement procedures employing at least one RRC connection reconfiguration message. The UE may be triggered to send at least one measurement report by the rules set by, for example, system information, RRC configuration, and/or the like. The source eNB may make a handover decision based on many parameters, for example, the measurement reports, RRM information, traffic and load, a combination of the above, and/or the like. The source eNB

may initiate the handover procedure by sending a handover request message to one or more potential target eNBs. When the source eNB sends the handover request message, it may start a handover preparation timer. Upon reception of the handover request acknowledgement message the source eNB may stop the handover preparation timer.

[0087] The source eNB may transmit a handover request message to one or more potential target eNB passing information to prepare the handover at the target side. The handover request message may comprise V2X capability information of the UE. The target eNB may employ the V2X capability of the UE in order to properly configure V2X configuration of the UE before UE connects to the target UE. The target eNB may configure the UE considering the V2X configuration limitations and capabilities of the UE. For example, if the UE does not support V2X capability, the target eNB may not configure the UE with V2X(s). In another example, if the UE does not support V2X configuration with a certain band combinations, the eNB may consider this limitation in V2X configurations. In another example, a UE may not support V2X configuration, and eNB may consider this in configuring the UE before the UE accesses the target eNB. In another example embodiment, handover request message may further comprise the current V2X configuration of the UE connected to the serving eNB.

[0088] During the handover preparation phase, the serving eNB may transmit UE's V2X capability and/or UE's current V2X configuration (V2X of the UE in connection with the serving eNB) to one or more potential target eNBs. This information may be employed, at least in part, by the potential target eNB to configure the UE, for example, to configure V2X configuration parameters.

[0089] Handover admission control may be performed by the target eNB dependent on many factors, for example, QoS required for the UE bearers, UE capabilities, UE configuration, target eNB load, a combination of the above, and/or the like. The target eNB may configure the required resources according to the received information from the serving eNB and may reserve a C-RNTI and/or a RACH preamble. The access stratum configuration to be used in the target cell may be specified independently (for example as an establishment) or as a delta compared to the access stratum-configuration used in the source cell (for example as a reconfiguration).

[0090] The target eNB may prepare handover with L1/L2 and may send the handover request acknowledge message to the source eNB. The handover request acknowledge message may include a transparent container to be sent to the UE as an RRC message to perform the handover. The container may include a new C-RNTI, target eNB security algorithm identifiers for the selected security algorithms, a dedicated RACH preamble, access parameters, SIBs, and/or other configuration parameters. The transparent container may

further comprise the V2X configurations for connection of the UE to the target eNB. The V2X configurations may modify the V2X of the UE or may keep the same V2X configuration that the UE has with the serving base station. The target eNB may generate the RRC message to perform the handover, for example, RRC connection reconfiguration message including the mobility control information. The RRC message may be sent by the source eNB towards the UE. The source eNB may perform the necessary integrity protection and ciphering of the message. The UE may receive the RRC connection reconfiguration message from the source eNB and may start performing the handover. The UE may not need to delay the handover execution for delivering the HARQ/ARQ responses to the source eNB.

[0091] After receiving the RRC connection reconfiguration message including the mobility control information, UE may perform synchronisation to the target eNB and accesses the target cell via RACH on the primary cell. UE Random access procedure may employ a contention-free procedure if a dedicated RACH preamble was indicated in the mobility control information. The UE random access procedure may employ a contention-based procedure if no dedicated preamble was indicated. UE may derive target eNB specific keys and may configure the selected security algorithms to be used in the target cell. The target eNB may respond with uplink allocation and timing advance. After the UE has successfully accessed the target cell, the UE may send an RRC connection reconfiguration complete message (C-RNTI) to confirm the handover and to indicate that the handover procedure is completed for the UE. UE may transmit a MAC uplink Buffer Status Report (BSR) Control Element (CE) along with the uplink RRC Connection Reconfiguration Complete message or may transmit a MAC uplink BSR CE whenever possible to the target eNB. The target eNB verifies the C-RNTI sent in the RRC Connection Reconfiguration Complete message. The target eNB may now begin sending data to the UE and receiving data from the UE.

[0092] According to some of the various aspects of embodiments, a serving base station may receive a first message from a wireless device on a primary cell in a plurality of cells. The first message may be an RRC UE capability message. The plurality of cells may comprise the primary cell and at least one secondary cell. The first message may comprise at least one parameter indicating whether the wireless device supports configuration of V2X(s). The base station may receive a plurality of radio capability parameters from the wireless device.

[0093] In an example embodiment, the capability message may comprise one or more parameters explicitly and/or implicitly indicating that the UE support configuration of V2X. For example, a parameter may indicate that the UE is capable of handling some types of V2X configuration, and this may imply that the UE is V2X capable. In an example, a parameter may indicate that the UE is capable of supporting a set of enhanced configuration parameters

including enhanced SPS (e.g. V2X). In an example, a parameter may explicitly indicate that the UE is capable of handling enhanced SPS configuration. The eNB after receiving the UE capability message, may determine whether the UE can support configuration of enhanced SPS (V2X). The UE may selectively configure V2X for a UE by transmitting one or more RRC messages to the UE.

[0094] In an example embodiment, the capability may be received on a first signalling bearer on the primary cell. The plurality of radio capability parameters may comprise a first sequence of one or more radio configuration parameters. A first radio configuration parameter in the first sequence may comprise a first parameter indicating whether V2X may be supported for a first band and/or first band combination. The first band and/or first band combination may be in a second sequence of one or more band combinations. The index of the first radio configuration parameter in the first sequence may determine the index of the first band combination in the second sequence.

[0095] According to some of the various embodiments, the size of the first sequence may be the same as the size of the second sequence. The index may determine the order of: the first radio configuration parameter in the first sequence; and the first band combination in the second sequence. The first band combination may be identified by a first band combination parameter. The first band combination parameter may comprise a list of band identifier(s). Each of the band identifier(s) may be one of a finite set of numbers. Each of the numbers may identify a specific band.

[0096] According to some of the various embodiments, the wireless device may support one or more inter-band V2Xs if the list of band identifier(s) includes more than one band; and the first parameter indicates that V2X is supported. In yet other embodiments, the wireless device may support multiple intra-band V2X if the list of band identifier(s) includes one band; and the first parameter indicates that V2X is supported.

[0097] According to some of the various embodiments, the wireless device may not support V2X if none of the radio configuration parameters comprise a parameter indicating that V2X is supported.

[0098] In an example embodiment, a wireless device may transmit an RRC message comprising UE capability information. The UE capability information may comprise one or more information elements comprising wireless device LTE radio capability parameters. The LTE radio capability parameters may comprise a plurality of parameters indicating various capability of the wireless device LTE radio.

[0099] The serving base station may selectively transmit at least one second message to the wireless device if the at least one parameter indicates support for configuration of V2X. The

at least one second message may configure V2X in the wireless device. If the at least one parameter does not indicate support for configuration V2X, the base station may not configure V2X in the wireless device. If the at least one parameter indicates support for configuration of the V2X, the base station may or may not configure V2X in the wireless device depending on the required wireless device configuration and many other parameters, such as types of application running on the UE and the traffic requirements. Transmission or not transmission (selective transmission) of at least one second message to configure V2X is determined by the base station based on many criteria described in this specification.

[00100] The at least one second control message may be configured to cause in the wireless device configuration of at least one cell in the plurality of cells and configuration of V2X. The first V2X may comprise a first subset of the plurality of cells. The second V2X may comprise a second subset of the at least one secondary cell.

[00101] The at least one second control message may be configured to further cause in the wireless device configuration of one or more SPS configuration. A cell add-modify information element may comprise a first plurality of dedicated parameters. The first plurality of dedicated parameters may comprise a first cell index for a first secondary cell in the at least one secondary cell. The at least one second control message may further include configuration information for physical channels for the wireless device. The at least one second control message may be configured to further cause the wireless device to set up or modify at least one radio bearer.

[00102] The serving base station may receive at least one measurement report from the wireless device in response to the at least one second message. The at least one measurement report may comprise signal quality information of at least one of the at least one cell of at least one of the at least one target base station. The signal quality information may be derived at least in part employing measurements of at least one OFDM subcarrier. The serving base station may make a handover decision, based, at least in part, on the at least one measurement report, and/or other parameters, such as load, QoS, mobility, etc. The serving base station may also make a decision depending on base station internal proprietary algorithm.

[00103] The serving base station may transmit at least one third message to at least one of the at least one target base station. The at least one third message may comprise the at least one parameter indicating whether the wireless device supports configuration of V2X. The at least one third message may comprise a plurality of parameters of the configuration at least indicating association between at least one cell and a corresponding V2X (configuration information of one or more V2Xs). The at least one third message may be a handover request message transmitted to at least one target base station to prepare the target base stations for

the handover of the wireless device. The UE capability parameters may be included in the at least one third message. UE dedicated radio parameters comprising UE V2X configuration may also be included in the handover request message. UE dedicated radio parameters may comprise MACMainconfig information element. UE dedicated radio parameters may comprise V2X configuration including V2X indices and associated cell indices.

[00104] According to some of the various aspects of embodiments, a serving base station, in response to making a handover decision by the serving base station for a wireless device, may transmit at least one third message to at least one target base station. The at least one third message may comprise the at least one parameter indicating whether the wireless device supports configuration of V2X. The format of the parameter (information element) indicating whether the wireless device supports configuration of a V2X is the same format as the UE capability message transmitted by the wireless device to the base station in the first message as described in the specification. The at least one third message may further comprise a plurality of parameters of the configuration of V2X (configuration information of V2X). The parameters included in the configuration information of V2X may be the same as the ones included in the at least one second message as described in this specification. The at least one third message may be a handover request message transmitted to at least one target base station to prepare the target base stations for the handover of the wireless device. The UE capability parameters may be included in the at least one third message. UE dedicated radio parameters comprising UE V2X configuration may also be included in the handover request message. UE dedicated radio parameters may comprise MACMainconfig information element. UE dedicated radio parameters may comprise V2X configuration including V2X indices and associated cell indices.

[00105] The serving base station may receive from one of the at least one target base station at least one fourth message. The at least one fourth message may comprise configuration of a plurality of cells for the wireless device. The plurality of cells may comprise a primary cell and at least one secondary cell. The configuration may associate V2X configuration with a cell in the plurality of cells.

[00106] The serving base station may transmit a fifth message to the wireless device. The fifth message may comprise a plurality of parameters of the configuration at least indicating association between at least one cell and a corresponding V2X (configuration information of V2X). The fifth message may cause the wireless device to start a synchronization process with the target base station (with a cell in the target base station).

[00107] The base station may, before transmission of the fifth message, encrypt the fifth message and protect the fifth message by an integrity header. The fifth message may further

include configuration information for physical channels for the wireless device. The fifth message may be configured to cause the wireless device to set up or modify at least one radio bearer. The fifth message may be configured to further cause the wireless device to configure at least one of a physical layer parameter, a MAC layer parameter, and an RLC layer parameter. The plurality of cells of the target base station may be in more than one frequency band, for example, one or more cells may be in frequency band A and one or more other cells may be in frequency band B (inter-band carrier aggregation). The wireless device may support configuration of V2X.

[00108] In an example, a UE with one or more V2X service may handover from first one or more cells to second one or more cells. An eNB may need to make a handover decision for the UE with V2X services. The current X2 protocol and handover mechanisms/signaling may require enhancements to enable an eNB to make a handover decision for a UE and improve handover procedures for the UE with V2X services. In the legacy network, handover of a UE with V2X services may fail, or V2X services may be interrupted due to handover. Example embodiments may improve the handover procedures for a UE with V2X services. Example embodiments provide enhancements to current handover mechanism and increase V2X service reliability and continuity. In an example embodiment, a UE with V2X services may continue the V2X service that is provided to the UE in the current cell after moving to another cell. An example embodiment enables a serving UE to continue its V2X service in the future when it is moving in an area covered by multiple base stations. Example embodiments enables an eNB to make a handover decision for a UE with an existing V2X service, or for a UE initiating a V2X service. Example embodiment may enhance network performance by enabling a base station to employ V2X configuration/capability of other base stations. In an example embodiment, V2X information in a message may be employed for making a decision on whether or how to configure dual connectivity with another base station.

[00109] In an example, in a legacy system, an eNB does not have information of whether its neighbor eNB or a cell of the neighbor eNB supports a V2X service (e.g. V2X capability, V2X specific configurations, SPS configurations, direct communication, V2X specific QoS support, SC-PTM, MBSFN, and/or the like) or not. The eNB may need to have the information associated with V2X services of the neighbor eNB and/or a cell of the neighbor eNB in order to make a decision of handover or SeNB addition/modification towards the neighbor eNB and/or a cell of the neighbor eNB. If the eNB does not have those information, it may initiate a handover or SeNB addition/modification for a UE requiring a V2X service, and the handover or SeNB addition/modification procedure may be failed when the neighbor eNB or a target cell of the neighbor eNB does not support the V2X service. In an example,

during the handover or SeNB addition/modification procedure, the V2X service for the UE may be interrupted when the neighbor eNB or a target cell of the neighbor eNB does not support the V2X service. In an example embodiment, by sharing V2X service support information of eNBs and cells, eNBs may be able to avoid handover failure or SeNB addition/modification failure and/or to maintain the V2X service for the wireless device during handover or SeNB addition/modification procedure if the eNB initiates the procedure towards V2X supporting eNB or cell based on the V2X service support information of neighboring eNBs and cells.

[00110] In an example embodiment, a first eNB may transmit a first message to a second eNB. The second eNB may transmit a second message to the first eNB. The first message for example may be an X2 setup request message. The second message may be an X2 setup response message. The first message and the second message may be exchange as a part of an X2 Setup procedure. The first message, for example, may be an eNB configuration update message. The second message may be an eNB configuration update acknowledgement message. The first message and the second message may be exchange as a part of an eNB Configuration Update procedure.

[00111] In an example embodiment, the multiple eNBs may exchange the information that eNB's serving cell supports the V2X service. In an example embodiment, the first eNB and the second eNB may exchange the information that eNB's serving cell supports the V2X service. For example, the first message may comprise information on capability and/or configuration of V2X service of the first eNB. For example, the second message may comprise information on capability and/or configuration of V2X service of the second eNB.

[00112] Additional information elements may be exchanged in an example described message. The additional information elements may indicate that an eNB is capable of configuring dual connectivity with a neighbor V2X capable transmission point and/or eNB. In an example, the SeNB may be an eNB comprising cells for V2X traffic. In an example, an eNB may not provide V2X service, and may be able to configure dual connectivity with another eNB that may provide V2X service. The eNB may be able to provide V2X service by configuring dual connectivity. This information may be employed to make a handover decision to an eNB that is capable of providing V2X service through DC with another V2X capable eNB.

[00113] In an example, in the X2 Setup procedure in FIG. 10, the X2 setup request message and/or X2 setup response message may comprise the information whether a cell of a sending eNB (1030) supports the V2X service or not. The Served Cell Information IE in the X2 setup request message and/or X2 setup response message may contain information indicating

whether the cell supports V2X services or not. In an example, the X2 setup request message and/or X2 setup response message may comprise one or more V2X configuration parameters of a cell of the eNB. For example, the message may indicate one or more PLMN IDs of the V2X services, various types of V2X services (e.g. V2V, V2N, V2P, V2I, and/or the like), multimedia broadcast multicast service single frequency network (MBSFN) or single cell point to multipoint (SC-PTM) services and/or parameters for V2X downlink, uplink V2X services capability and/or configuration parameters (semi-persistent scheduling (SPS) capability, etc), sidelink V2X services capability and/or configuration parameters, and/or other parameters related to V2X configuration. The example parameters may be included in a Served Cell Information IE in the X2 setup request message and/or X2 setup response message. In an example an IE may include whether a cell is only for V2X or it may support both data and V2X. In an example an IE may include whether the node has RSU and/or eNB capabilities. In an example an IE may indicate whether a PLMN is only for V2X or for both V2X and data. In an example an IE may indicate the temporary mobile group identity (TMGI).

[00114] Additional information elements may be exchanged in an example described message. The additional information elements may indicate that an eNB is capable of configuring dual connectivity with a neighbor V2X capable transmission point and/or eNB. In an example, the SeNB may be an eNB comprising cells for V2X traffic. In an example, an eNB may not provide V2X service, and may be able to configure dual connectivity with another eNB that may provide V2X service. The eNB may be able to provide V2X service by configuring dual connectivity. This information may be employed to make a handover decision to an eNB that is capable of providing V2X service through DC with another V2X capable eNB.

[00115] In an example, in the X2 Setup procedure, the X2 setup request message and/or X2 setup response message may comprise the information whether a sending eNB supports the V2X service or not. The X2 setup request message and/or X2 setup response message may contain information indicating whether the eNB supports V2X services or not. In an example, the X2 setup request message and/or X2 setup response message may comprise one or more V2X configuration parameters of the eNB. For example, the message may indicate one or more PLMN IDs of the V2X services, various types of V2X services (e.g. V2V, V2N, V2P, V2I, and/or the like), MBSFN or SC-PTM services and/or parameters for V2X downlink, uplink V2X services capability and/or configuration parameters (SPS capability, etc), sidelink V2X services capability and/or configuration parameters, and/or other parameters related to V2X configuration. In an example an IE may include whether a cell is only for V2X or it

may support both data and V2X. In an example an IE may include whether the node has RSU and/or eNB capabilities. In an example an IE may indicate whether a PLMN is only for V2X or for both V2X and data. In an example an IE may indicate the TMGI.

[00116] Additional information elements may be exchanged in an example described message. The additional information elements may indicate that an eNB is capable of configuring dual connectivity with a neighbor V2X capable transmission point and/or eNB. In an example, the SeNB may be an eNB comprising cells for V2X traffic. In an example, an eNB may not provide V2X service, and may be able to configure dual connectivity with another eNB that may provide V2X service. The eNB may be able to provide V2X service by configuring dual connectivity. This information may be employed to make a handover decision to an eNB that is capable of providing V2X service through DC with another V2X capable eNB.

[00117] In an example, a UE capable of V2X services may initiate a UE connection. The UE may transmit to a base station a first message indicating the UE capability indicating support for the V2X services. The UE may establish a connection with the base station. The UE may transmit a message to the base station requesting for a V2X service. The eNB may make a handover decision for the UE initiating V2X services. For example, the base station may not be configured to provide the V2X service to the UE. The base station may make a handover decision for the UE. The base station may transmit one or more handover request messages to one or more neighboring base stations supporting the V2X service. The base station may determine which neighboring base station supports V2X services, at least, based on the X2 setup request or X2 setup response message exchange with the neighboring base stations. The base station may receive one or more handover request acknowledge message from the neighboring base stations. The base station may transmit a handover command message (e.g. an RRC message) to the UE to initiate the handover process.

[00118] In an example, a first base station may transmit, to a second base station, at least one message comprising configuration parameters of the first base station. The configuration parameters may comprise at least V2X configuration parameter. The second base station may make a handover decision for a wireless device at least based on the at least V2X configuration parameter.

[00119] In an example, a first base station may transmit, to a second base station, at least one first message comprising configuration parameters of the first base station. The configuration parameters may comprise at least one V2X configuration parameter. The second base station may receive, from a wireless device, a second message indicating that the wireless device

supports/request V2X services. The second base station may make a handover decision for the wireless device at least based on the at least V2X configuration parameter.

[00120] In an example, a first base station may transmit, to a second base station, at least one message comprising configuration parameters of the first base station. The configuration parameters may comprise at least one V2X configuration parameter. The second base station may make a handover decision, at least based on the at least one V2X configuration parameter, to handover a wireless device to the first base station. The second base station may transmit at least one second message to the wireless device, wherein the second message initiates a handover of the wireless device to the first base station.

[00121] In an example, a first base station may transmit, to a second base station, at least one message comprising configuration parameters of the first base station. The configuration parameters may comprise at least one V2X configuration parameter. The second base station may make a handover decision, at least based on the at least one V2X configuration parameter, to handover a wireless device to the first base station. The second base station may transmit, to the first base station, a handover request message. The second base station may receive, from the first base station, a handover acknowledgement message comprising one or more configuration parameters for the wireless device. The handover request message may comprise a parameter indicating whether the wireless device supports V2X services.

[00122] In an example, a first base station may transmit, to a second base station, at least one message comprising configuration parameters of the first base station. The configuration parameters may comprise at least one V2X configuration parameter. The second base station may determine a configuration parameter based on the at least one V2X configuration parameter. The configuration parameter may be one of the following: a transmission power; an antenna parameter; and/or a handover configuration parameter.

[00123] In an example, in the eNB configuration update procedure in FIG. 11, the eNB configuration update message (1142) may comprise the information whether a cell of a sending eNB (1130) supports the V2X service or not. The Served Cell Information IE in the eNB configuration update message may contain information indicating whether the cell supports V2X services or not. In an example, the eNB configuration update message may comprise one or more V2X configuration parameters of a cell of the eNB. For example, the message may indicate one or more PLMN IDs of the V2X services, various types of V2X services (e.g. V2V, V2N, V2P, V2I, and/or the like), MBSFN or SC-PTM services and/or parameters for V2X downlink, uplink V2X services capability and/or configuration parameters (SPS capability, etc), sidelink V2X services capability and/or configuration parameters, and/or other parameters related to V2X configuration. The example parameters

may be included in a Served Cell Information IE in the eNB configuration update message. In an example an IE may include whether a cell is only for V2X or it may support both data and V2X. In an example an IE may include whether the node has RSU and/or eNB capabilities. In an example an IE may indicate whether a PLMN is only for V2X or for both V2X and data. In an example an IE may indicate the TMGI.

[00124] Additional information elements may be exchanged in an example described message. The additional information elements may indicate that an eNB is capable of configuring dual connectivity with a neighbor V2X capable transmission point and/or eNB. In an example, the SeNB may be an eNB comprising cells for V2X traffic. In an example, an eNB may not provide V2X service, and may be able to configure dual connectivity with another eNB that may provide V2X service. The eNB may be able to provide V2X service by configuring dual connectivity. This information may be employed to make a handover decision to an eNB that is capable of providing V2X service through DC with another V2X capable eNB.

[00125] In an example, in the eNB configuration update procedure, the eNB configuration update message may comprise the information whether a sending eNB supports the V2X service or not. The eNB configuration update message may contain information indicating whether the eNB supports V2X services or not. In an example, the eNB configuration update message may comprise one or more V2X configuration parameters of the eNB. For example, the message may indicate one or more PLMN IDs of the V2X services, various types of V2X services (e.g. V2V, V2N, V2P, V2I, and/or the like), MBSFN or SC-PTM services and/or parameters for V2X downlink, uplink V2X services capability and/or configuration parameters (SPS capability, etc), sidelink V2X services capability and/or configuration parameters, and/or other parameters related to V2X configuration. In an example an IE may include whether a cell is only for V2X or it may support both data and V2X. In an example an IE may include whether the node has RSU and/or eNB capabilities. In an example an IE may indicate whether a PLMN is only for V2X or for both V2X and data. In an example an IE may indicate the TMGI.

[00126] Additional information elements may be exchanged in an example described message. The additional information elements may indicate that an eNB is capable of configuring dual connectivity with a neighbor V2X capable transmission point and/or eNB. In an example, the SeNB may be an eNB comprising cells for V2X traffic. In an example, an eNB may not provide V2X service, and may be able to configure dual connectivity with another eNB that may provide V2X service. The eNB may be able to provide V2X service by configuring dual connectivity. This information may be employed to make a handover

decision to an eNB that is capable of providing V2X service through DC with another V2X capable eNB.

[00127] In an example embodiment, in FIG. 12 or FIG. 13, a first eNB transmits a first message to an MME. The MME may transmit a second message to a second eNB. The first message, for example, may be an eNB configuration transfer message. The second message may be an MME configuration transfer message. The first message and the second message may be exchange as a part of configuration transfer procedure.

[00128] In an example embodiment, the multiple eNBs/MME(s) may exchange the information that eNB's serving cell supports the V2X service. In an example embodiment, the first eNB, the second eNB and MEE may exchange the information that eNB's serving cell supports the V2X service. For example, the first message may comprise information on capability and/or configuration of V2X service of the first eNB. For example, the second message may comprise information on capability and/or configuration of V2X service of the first eNB.

[00129] Through the S1 interface setup between a first eNB and MME, the information that whether a cell of a sending eNB supports the V2X service or not is exchanged among eNBs. In an example, eNB configuration transfer message may be used to transfer this information from the information sending eNB to the MME, and the MME configuration transfer message may be used to forward this information from the MME to the information receiving eNB.

[00130] In an example, in a configuration transfer procedure, the eNB configuration transfer message and/or MME configuration transfer message may comprise the information whether a cell of a sending eNB supports the V2X service or not. The eNB configuration transfer message and/or MME configuration transfer message may contain information indicating whether an eNB (e.g. a cell of the eNB) supports V2X services or not. In an example, eNB configuration transfer message and/or MME configuration transfer message may comprise one or more V2X configuration parameters of the eNB (e.g. a cell of the eNB). For example, the message may indicate one or more PLMN IDs of the V2X services, various types of V2X services (e.g. V2V, V2N, V2P, V2I, and/or the like), MBSFN or SC-PTM services and/or parameters for V2X downlink, uplink V2X services capability and/or configuration parameters (SPS capability, etc), sidelink V2X services capability and/or configuration parameters, and/or other parameters related to V2X configuration. In an example an IE may include whether a cell is only for V2X or it may support both data and V2X. In an example an IE may include whether the node has RSU and/or eNB capabilities. In an example an IE may indicate whether a PLMN is only for V2X or for both V2X and data. In an example an IE may indicate the TMGI.

[00131] Additional information elements may be exchanged in an example described message. The additional information elements may indicate that an eNB is capable of configuring dual connectivity with a neighbor V2X capable transmission point and/or eNB. In an example, the SeNB may be an eNB comprising cells for V2X traffic. In an example, an eNB may not provide V2X service, and may be able to configure dual connectivity with another eNB that may provide V2X service. The eNB may be able to provide V2X service by configuring dual connectivity. This information may be employed to make a handover decision to an eNB that is capable of providing V2X service through DC with another V2X capable eNB.

[00132] In an example, a first base station may transmit, to a second base station, at least one message comprising configuration parameters of the first base station. The configuration parameters may comprise at least V2X configuration parameter. The second base station may make a handover decision for a wireless device at least based on the at least V2X configuration parameter.

[00133] In an example, a first base station may transmit, to a second base station, at least one first message comprising configuration parameters of the first base station. The configuration parameters may comprise at least one V2X configuration parameter. The second base station may receive, from a wireless device, a second message. The second message may indicate that the wireless device supports and/or requests V2X services. The second base station may make a handover decision for the wireless device at least based on the at least V2X configuration parameter.

[00134] In an example, a first base station may transmit, to a second base station, at least one message comprising configuration parameters of the first base station. The configuration parameters may comprise at least one V2X configuration parameter. The second base station may make a handover decision, at least based on the at least one V2X configuration parameter, to handover a wireless device to the first base station. The second base station may transmit at least one second message to the wireless device. The second message may initiate a handover of the wireless device to the first base station.

[00135] In an example, a first base station may transmit, to a second base station, at least one message comprising configuration parameters of the first base station. The configuration parameters may comprise at least one V2X configuration parameter. The second base station may make a handover decision, at least based on the at least one V2X configuration parameter, to handover a wireless device to the first base station. The second base station may transmit a handover request message to the first base station. The second base station may receive, from the first base station, a handover request acknowledge message comprising one

or more configuration parameters for the wireless device. The handover request message may comprise a parameter indicating whether the wireless device supports V2X services.

[00136] In an example, a first base station may transmit, to a second base station, at least one message comprising configuration parameters of the first base station. The configuration parameters may comprise at least one V2X configuration parameter. The second base station may determine a configuration parameter based on the at least one V2X configuration parameter. The configuration parameter may be one of the following: a transmission power; an antenna parameter; and/or a handover configuration parameter.

[00137] According to various embodiments, a device (such as, for example, a wireless device, an off-network wireless device, a base station, and/or the like), may comprise, for example, one or more processors and memory. The memory may store instructions that, when executed by the one or more processors, cause the device to perform a series of actions. Embodiments of example actions are illustrated in the accompanying figures and specification. Features from various embodiments may be combined to create yet further embodiments.

[00138] FIG. 14 is an example flow diagram as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present disclosure. FIG. 10 and FIG. 11 are data flow diagram as per an aspect of embodiments of the present disclosure. At 1410 a first base station (e.g. 1020 and 1120) may receive from a second base station (e.g. 1030 and 1130), a first message 1042. The first message 1042 may comprise first configuration parameters of a plurality of cells of the second base station (e.g. 1030 and 1130). The first configuration parameters may comprise, for example: a first identifier of a first cell of the plurality of cells; and at least one first Vehicle-to-Everything (V2X) parameter of the first cell indicating whether the first cell supports at least one first V2X service. At 1420, the first base station (e.g. 1020 and 1120) may make a handover decision 1050 for a wireless device (eg. 1010 and 1110) based at least on the at least one first V2X parameter. At 1430, the first base station (e.g. 1020 and 1120) may send to the second base station (e.g. 1030 and 1130), a handover request message 1060 for the wireless device (e.g. 1010 and 1110) in response to the handover decision 1050.

[00139] According to an embodiment, the first configuration parameters may further comprise: a second identifier of a second cell in the plurality of cells; and at least one second V2X parameter of the second cell indicating whether the second cell supports at least one second V2X service. According to an embodiment, the first base station may further receive from the wireless device, a radio resource control (RRC) message (e.g. 1070 and 1170) comprising at least one first information element indicating that the wireless device supports one or more V2X services. The first base station may make the handover decision further

based on the at least one first information element. According to an embodiment, the at least one first V2X parameter may further indicate at least one of: the first cell supports only V2X services; the second base station is associated with at least one road side unit (RSU) for V2X services; a public land mobile network (PLMN) associated with the first cell supports only V2X services; or a temporary mobile group identity (TMGI) associated with the first cell. According to an embodiment, the at least one first V2X parameter may further indicate that the first cell supports at least one of: vehicle-to-infrastructure (V2I) services; vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V) services; vehicle-to-network (V2N) services; or vehicle-to-pedestrian (V2P) services. According to an embodiment, the at least one first V2X parameter may further indicate that the first cell supports at least one of: multimedia broadcast multicast service single frequency network (MBSFN) based V2X services; single cell point to multipoint (SC-PTM) based V2X services; or sidelink based V2X services. According to an embodiment, the handover request message may comprise, for example, a second information element indicating that the wireless device supports one or more V2X services. According to an embodiment, the first base station may further determine one or more second configuration parameters of the wireless device based on the configuration parameters. The one or more second configuration parameters may comprise at least one of: a transmission power; an antenna parameter; or a handover configuration parameter.

[00140] FIG. 15 is an example flow diagram as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present disclosure. At 1510, a first base station may send to a second base station, a first message comprising configuration parameters of a plurality of cells of the first base station. The configuration parameters may comprise, for example: a first identifier of a first cell of the plurality of cells; and at least one first vehicle-to-everything (V2X) parameter of the first cell indicating whether the first cell supports at least one first V2X service. At 1520, the first base station may receive from the second base station, a handover request message in response to a handover decision for a wireless device. The handover decision may be made based at least on the at least one first V2X parameter. At 1530, the first base station may send to the second base station, a handover response message comprising configuration information for the wireless device.

[00141] According to an embodiment, the configuration parameters may further comprise: a second identifier of a second cell in the plurality of cells; and at least one second V2X parameter of the second cell indicating whether the second cell supports at least one second V2X service. According to an embodiment, the second base station may further receive from the wireless device, a radio resource control (RRC) message (e.g. 1070 and 1170). The RRC message (e.g. 1070 and 1170) may comprise, for example, at least one first information

element indicating that the wireless device supports one or more V2X services. The second base station may make the handover decision further based on the at least one first information elements. According to an embodiment, the at least one first V2X parameter may further indicate at least one of: the first cell supports only V2X services; the first base station is associated with at least one road side unit (RSU) for V2X services; a public land mobile network (PLMN) associated with the first cell supports only V2X services; or a temporary mobile group identity (TMGI) associated with the first cell.

[00142] FIG. 16 is an example flow diagram as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present disclosure. At 1610, a first base station may receive from a second base station, a first message comprising configuration parameters of a plurality of cells of the second base station. The configuration parameters, for example, include: an identifier of each cell in the plurality of cells; and at least one V2X parameter indicating whether the second base station supports at least one V2X service. At 1620, the first base station, may make a handover decision for a wireless device based at least on the at least one first V2X parameter. At 1730, the first base station may send to the second base station, a handover request message for the wireless device in response to the handover decision.

[00143] According to an embodiment, the configuration parameters may further comprise: a second identifier of a second cell in the plurality of cells; and at least one second V2X parameter of the second cell indicating whether the second cell supports at least one second V2X service. According to an embodiment, the first base station may further receive from the wireless device, a radio resource control (RRC) message comprising at least one first information element indicating that the wireless device supports one or more V2X services. The first base station may make the handover decision further based on the at least one first information elements. According to an embodiment, the at least one V2X parameter may further indicate at least one of: the second base station supports only V2X services; the second base station is associated with at least one road side unit (RSU) for V2X services; a public land mobile network (PLMN) associated with the second base station supports only V2X services; or a temporary mobile group identity (TMGI) associated with the second base station. According to an embodiment, the at least one V2X parameter further indicates that the second base station supports at least one of V2I services, V2V services, V2N services, or V2P services. According to an embodiment, the at least one first V2X parameter may further indicate that the second base station supports at least one of: MBSFN based V2X services; SC-PTM based V2X services; or sidelink based V2X services. According to an embodiment, the handover request message may comprise, for example, a second information element indicating that the wireless device supports one or more V2X services. According to an

embodiment, the first base station may further determine, one or more second configuration parameters of the wireless device based on the configuration parameters. The one or more second configuration parameters may comprise, for example, at least one of: a transmission power; an antenna parameter; or a handover configuration parameter.

[00144] FIG. 17 is an example flow diagram as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present disclosure. At 1710, a first base station may receive from a second base station, a first message comprising configuration parameters of a plurality of cells of the second base station. The configuration parameters may comprise, for example: a first identifier of a first cell of the plurality of cells; and at least one first parameter of the first cell indicating whether the first cell supports at least one first application service. At 1720, the first base station may make a handover decision for a wireless device based at least on the at least one first parameter. At 1730, the first base station may send to the second base station, a handover request message for the wireless device in response to the handover decision.

[00145] According to an embodiment, the configuration parameters may further comprise: a second identifier of a second cell in the plurality of cells; and at least one second parameter of the second cell indicating whether the second cell supports at least one second application service. The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving, by the first base station from the wireless device, a radio resource control (RRC) message comprising at least one first information element indicating that the wireless device supports one or more application services, wherein the first base station makes the handover decision further base on the at least one first information elements. According to an embodiment, the at least one first parameter may further indicate at least one of: the first cell supports only the at least one first application service; the second base station is associated with at least one road side unit (RSU) for the at least one first application service; a public land mobile network (PLMN) associated with the first cell supports only at least one first application service; or a temporary mobile group identity (TMGI) associated with the first cell. According to an embodiment, the at least one first parameter may further indicate that the first cell supports at least one of V2I services, V2V services, V2N services, or V2P services. According to an embodiment, the at least one first parameter may further indicate that the first cell supports at least one of: MBSFN based V2X services; SC-PTM based V2X services; or sidelink based V2X services. According to an embodiment, the handover request message may comprise, for example, a second information element indicating that the wireless device supports one or more application services. According to an embodiment, the first base station may further determine, one or more second configuration parameters of the wireless device based on the configuration parameters. The one or more second configuration parameters may comprise,

for example, at least one of: a transmission power; an antenna parameter; or a handover configuration parameter.

[00146] FIG. 18 is an example flow diagram as per an aspect of an embodiment of the present disclosure. At 1810, a first base station may receive from a second base station, a first message comprising configuration parameters of a plurality of cells of the second base station. The configuration parameters may comprise, for example: a first identifier of each cell in the plurality of cells; and at least one first parameter indicating whether the second base station supports at least one first application service. At 1820; the first base station may make a handover decision for a wireless device based at least on the at least one first parameter. At 1830, the first base station may send to the second base station, a handover request message for the wireless device in response to the handover decision.

[00147] According to an embodiment, the configuration parameters may further comprise: a second identifier of a second cell in the plurality of cells; and at least one second parameter of the second cell indicating whether the second cell supports at least one second application service. According to an embodiment, the first base station may further receive a radio resource control (RRC) message from the wireless device. The RRC message may comprise at least one first information element indicating that the wireless device supports one or more application services. The first base station may make the handover decision further base on the at least one first information elements. According to an embodiment, the at least one first parameter may further indicate at least one of: the second base station supports only the at least one first application service; the second base station is associated with at least one road side unit (RSU) for the at least one first application service; a public land mobile network (PLMN) associated with the second base station supports only at least one first application service; or a temporary mobile group identity (TMGI) associated with the second base station. According to an embodiment, the at least one first parameter may further indicate that the second base station supports at least one of V2I services, V2V services, V2N services, or V2P services. According to an embodiment, the at least one first parameter may further indicate that the second base station supports at least one of: MBSFN based V2X services; SC-PTM based V2X services; or sidelink based V2X services. According to an embodiment, the handover request message may comprise, for example, a second information element indicating that the wireless device supports one or more application services. According to an embodiment, the first base station may further determine one or more second configuration parameters of the wireless device based on the configuration parameters. The one or more second configuration parameters may comprise, for example, at least one of: a transmission power; an antenna parameter; or a handover configuration parameter.

[00148] In this specification, “a” and “an” and similar phrases are to be interpreted as “at least one” and “one or more.” In this specification, the term “may” is to be interpreted as “may, for example.” In other words, the term “may” is indicative that the phrase following the term “may” is an example of one of a multitude of suitable possibilities that may, or may not, be employed to one or more of the various embodiments. If A and B are sets and every element of A is also an element of B, A is called a subset of B. In this specification, only non-empty sets and subsets are considered. For example, possible subsets of $B = \{\text{cell1}, \text{cell2}\}$ are: $\{\text{cell1}\}$, $\{\text{cell2}\}$, and $\{\text{cell1}, \text{cell2}\}$.

[00149] In this specification, parameters (Information elements: IEs) may comprise one or more objects, and each of those objects may comprise one or more other objects. For example, if parameter (IE) N comprises parameter (IE) M, and parameter (IE) M comprises parameter (IE) K, and parameter (IE) K comprises parameter (information element) J, then, for example, N comprises K, and N comprises J. In an example embodiment, when one or more messages comprise a plurality of parameters, it implies that a parameter in the plurality of parameters is in at least one of the one or more messages, but does not have to be in each of the one or more messages.

[00150] Many of the elements described in the disclosed embodiments may be implemented as modules. A module is defined here as an isolatable element that performs a defined function and has a defined interface to other elements. The modules described in this disclosure may be implemented in hardware, software in combination with hardware, firmware, wetware (i.e hardware with a biological element) or a combination thereof, all of which are behaviorally equivalent. For example, modules may be implemented as a software routine written in a computer language configured to be executed by a hardware machine (such as C, C++, Fortran, Java, Basic, Matlab or the like) or a modeling/simulation program such as Simulink, Stateflow, GNU Octave, or LabVIEWMathScript. Additionally, it may be possible to implement modules using physical hardware that incorporates discrete or programmable analog, digital and/or quantum hardware. Examples of programmable hardware comprise: computers, microcontrollers, microprocessors, application-specific integrated circuits (ASICs); field programmable gate arrays (FPGAs); and complex programmable logic devices (CPLDs). Computers, microcontrollers and microprocessors are programmed using languages such as assembly, C, C++ or the like. FPGAs, ASICs and CPLDs are often programmed using hardware description languages (HDL) such as VHSIC hardware description language (VHDL) or Verilog that configure connections between internal hardware modules with lesser functionality on a programmable device. Finally, it

needs to be emphasized that the above mentioned technologies are often used in combination to achieve the result of a functional module.

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[00152] While various embodiments have been described above, it should be understood that they have been presented by way of example, and not limitation. It will be apparent to persons skilled in the relevant art(s) that various changes in form and detail can be made therein without departing from the spirit and scope. In fact, after reading the above description, it will be apparent to one skilled in the relevant art(s) how to implement alternative embodiments. Thus, the present embodiments should not be limited by any of the above described exemplary embodiments. In particular, it should be noted that, for example purposes, the above explanation has focused on the example(s) using FDD communication systems. However, one skilled in the art will recognize that embodiments of the invention may also be implemented in a system comprising one or more TDD cells (*e.g.* frame structure 2 and/or frame structure 3-licensed assisted access). The disclosed methods and systems may be implemented in wireless or wireline systems. The features of various embodiments presented in this invention may be combined. One or many features (method or system) of one embodiment may be implemented in other embodiments. Only a limited number of example combinations are shown to indicate to one skilled in the art the possibility of features that may be combined in various embodiments to create enhanced transmission and reception systems and methods.

[00153] In addition, it should be understood that any figures which highlight the functionality and advantages, are presented for example purposes only. The disclosed architecture is sufficiently flexible and configurable, such that it may be utilized in ways other than that shown. For example, the actions listed in any flowchart may be re-ordered or only optionally used in some embodiments.

[00154] Further, the purpose of the Abstract of the Disclosure is to enable the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and the public generally, and especially the scientists, engineers and practitioners in the art who are not familiar with patent or legal terms or phraseology, to determine quickly from a cursory inspection the nature and essence of the technical disclosure of the application. The Abstract of the Disclosure is not intended to be limiting as to the scope in any way.

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[00155] Finally, it is the applicant's intent that only claims that include the express language "means for" or "step for" be interpreted under 35 U.S.C. 112, paragraph 6. Claims that do not expressly include the phrase "means for" or "step for" are not to be interpreted under 35 U.S.C. 112.

Claims

1. A method comprising:
 - receiving, by a first base station from a second base station, a first message comprising first configuration parameters of a plurality of cells of the second base station, the first configuration parameters comprising:
 - a first identifier of a first cell of the plurality of cells; and
 - at least one first vehicle-to-everything (V2X) parameter of the first cell indicating whether the first cell supports at least one first V2X service;
 - making, by the first base station, a handover decision for a wireless device based at least on the at least one first V2X parameter; and
 - sending, by the first base station to the second base station, a handover request message for the wireless device in response to the handover decision.
2. The method of claim 1, wherein the first configuration parameters further comprising:
 - a second identifier of a second cell in the plurality of cells; and
 - at least one second V2X parameter of the second cell indicating whether the second cell supports at least one second V2X service.
3. The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving, by the first base station from the wireless device, a radio resource control (RRC) message comprising at least one first information element indicating that the wireless device supports one or more V2X services, wherein the first base station makes the handover decision further based on the at least one first information element.
4. The method of claim 1, wherein the at least one first V2X parameter further indicates at least one of:
 - the first cell supports only V2X services;
 - the second base station is associated with at least one road side unit (RSU) for V2X services;
 - a public land mobile network (PLMN) associated with the first cell supports only V2X services; or
 - a temporary mobile group identity (TMGI) associated with the first cell.

5. The method of claim 1, wherein the at least one first V2X parameter further indicates that the first cell supports at least one of:
 - vehicle-to-infrastructure (V2I) services;
 - vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V) services;
 - vehicle-to-network (V2N) services; or
 - vehicle-to-pedestrian (V2P) services.

6. The method of claim 1, wherein the at least one first V2X parameter further indicates that the first cell supports at least one of:
 - multimedia broadcast multicast service single frequency network (MBSFN) based V2X services;
 - single cell point to multipoint (SC-PTM) based V2X services; or
 - sidelink based V2X services.

7. The method of claim 1, wherein the handover request message comprises a second information element indicating that the wireless device supports one or more V2X services.

8. The method of claim 1, further comprising determining, by the first base station, one or more second configuration parameters of the wireless device based on the configuration parameters, wherein the one or more second configuration parameters comprise at least one of:
 - a transmission power;
 - an antenna parameter; or
 - a handover configuration parameter.

9. A base station comprising:
 - one or more processors;
 - memory storing instructions that, when executed by the one or more processors, cause the base station to:
 - receive, from a second base station, a first message comprising first configuration parameters of a plurality of cells of the second base station, the first configuration parameters comprising:
 - a first identifier of a first cell of the plurality of cells; and
 - at least one first vehicle-to-everything (V2X) parameter of the first cell indicating whether the first cell supports at least one first V2X service;

make a handover decision for a wireless device based at least on the at least one first V2X parameter; and

send, to the second base station, a handover request message for the wireless device in response to the handover decision.

10. The base station of claim 9, wherein the first configuration parameters further comprising:
 - a second identifier of a second cell in the plurality of cells; and
 - at least one second V2X parameter of the second cell indicating whether the second cell supports at least one second V2X service.

11. The base station of claim 9, further comprising receiving, by the first base station from the wireless device, a radio resource control (RRC) message comprising at least one first information element indicating that the wireless device supports one or more V2X services, wherein the first base station makes the handover decision further based on the at least one first information element.

12. The base station of claim 9, wherein the at least one first V2X parameter further indicates at least one of:
 - the first cell supports only V2X services;
 - the second base station is associated with at least one road side unit (RSU) for V2X services;
 - a public land mobile network (PLMN) associated with the first cell supports only V2X services; or
 - a temporary mobile group identity (TMGI) associated with the first cell.

13. The base station of claim 9, wherein the at least one first V2X parameter further indicates that the first cell supports at least one of:
 - vehicle-to-infrastructure (V2I) services;
 - vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V) services;
 - vehicle-to-network (V2N) services; or
 - vehicle-to-pedestrian (V2P) services.

14. The base station of claim 9, wherein the at least one first V2X parameter further indicates that the first cell supports at least one of:

multimedia broadcast multicast service single frequency network (MBSFN) based V2X services;
single cell point to multipoint (SC-PTM) based V2X services; or
sidelink based V2X services.

15. The base station of claim 9, wherein the handover request message comprises a second information element indicating that the wireless device supports one or more V2X services.
16. The base station of claim 9, wherein the instructions, when executed, further cause the base station to determine one or more second configuration parameters of the wireless device based on the first configuration parameters, wherein the one or more second configuration parameters comprising at least one of:
- a transmission power;
 - an antenna parameter; or
 - a handover configuration parameter.
17. A method comprising:
- sending, by a first base station to a second base station, a first message comprising configuration parameters of a plurality of cells of the first base station, the configuration parameters comprising:
 - a first identifier of a first cell of the plurality of cells; and
 - at least one first vehicle-to-everything (V2X) parameter of the first cell indicating whether the first cell supports at least one first V2X service;
 - receiving, by the first base station from the second base station, a handover request message in response to a handover decision for a wireless device, wherein the handover decision is made based at least on the at least one first V2X parameter; and
 - sending, by the first base station to the second base station, a handover response message comprising configuration information for the wireless device.
18. The method of claim 17, wherein the configuration parameters further comprising:
- a second identifier of a second cell in the plurality of cells; and
 - at least one second V2X parameter of the second cell indicating whether the second cell supports at least one second V2X service.

19. The method of claim 17, further comprising receiving, by the second base station from the wireless device, a radio resource control (RRC) message comprising at least one first information element indicating that the wireless device supports one or more V2X services, wherein the second base station makes the handover decision further based on the at least one first information elements.

20. The method of claim 17, wherein the at least one first V2X parameter further indicates at least one of:
 - the first cell supports only V2X services;
 - the first base station is associated with at least one road side unit (RSU) for V2X services;
 - a public land mobile network (PLMN) associated with the first cell supports only V2X services; or
 - a temporary mobile group identity (TMGI) associated with the first cell.

ABSTRACT

A first base station may receive from a second base station, a first message. The first message may comprise first configuration parameters of a plurality of cells of the second base station. The first configuration parameters may comprise: a first identifier of a first cell of the plurality of cells; and at least one first Vehicle-to-Everything (V2X) parameter of the first cell indicating whether the first cell supports at least one first V2X service. The first base station may make a handover decision for a wireless device based at least on the at least one first V2X parameter. The first base station may send to the second base station, a handover request message for the wireless device in response to the handover decision.

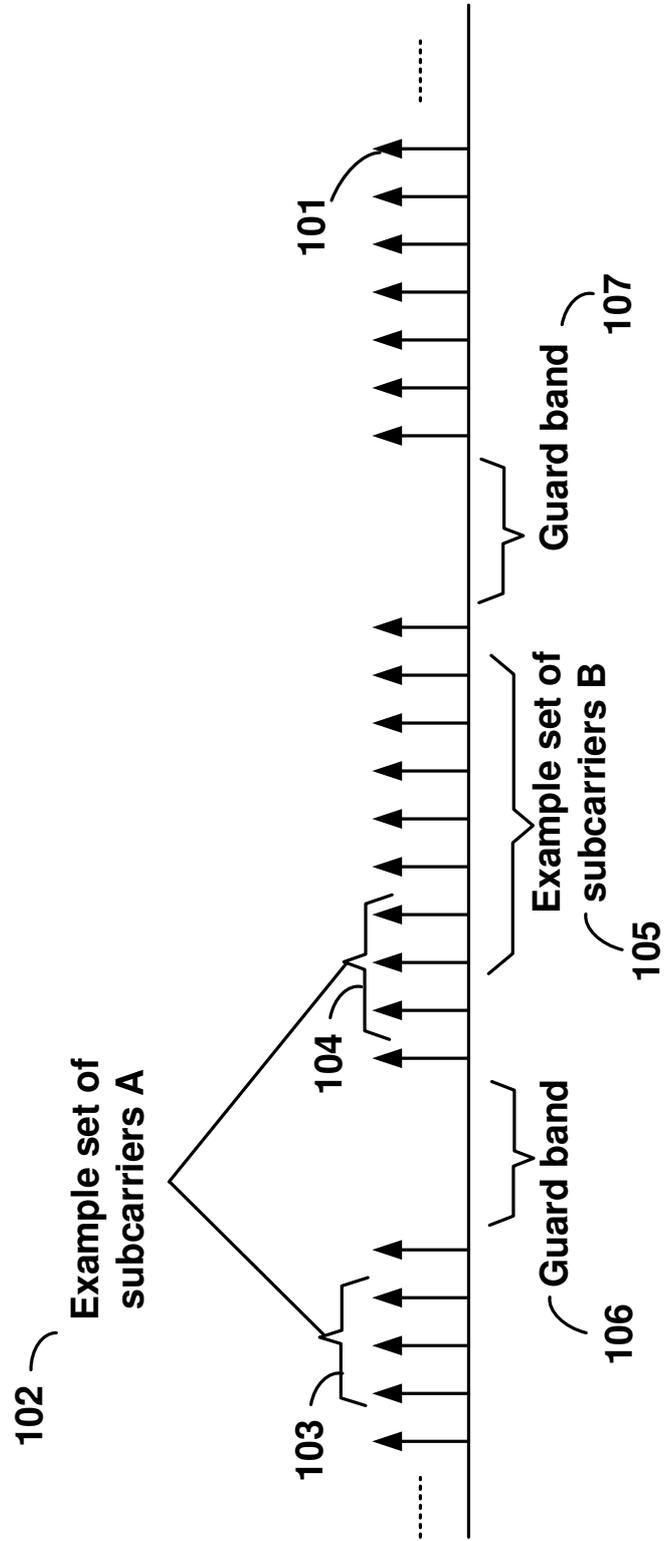


FIG. 1

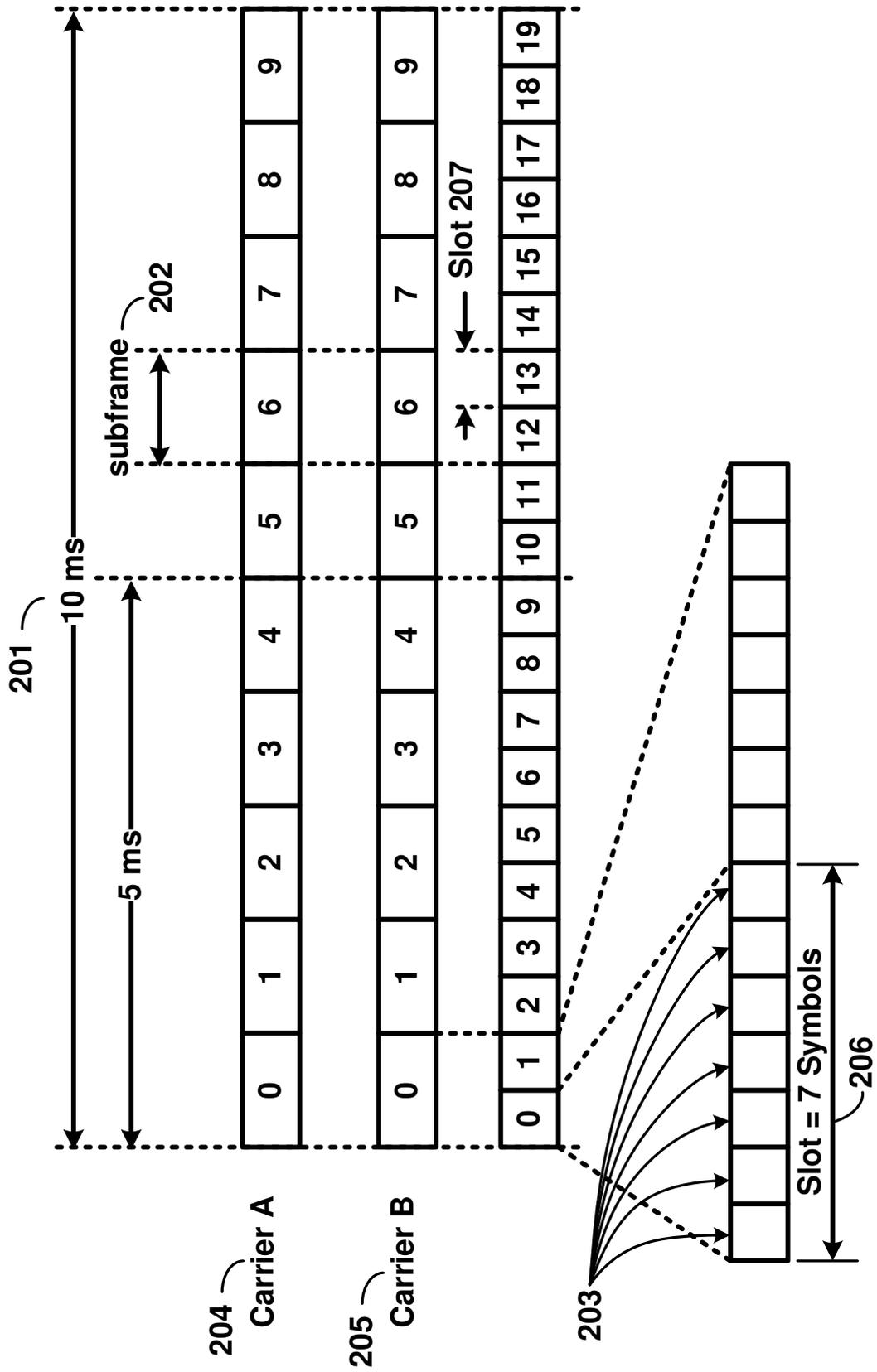


FIG. 2

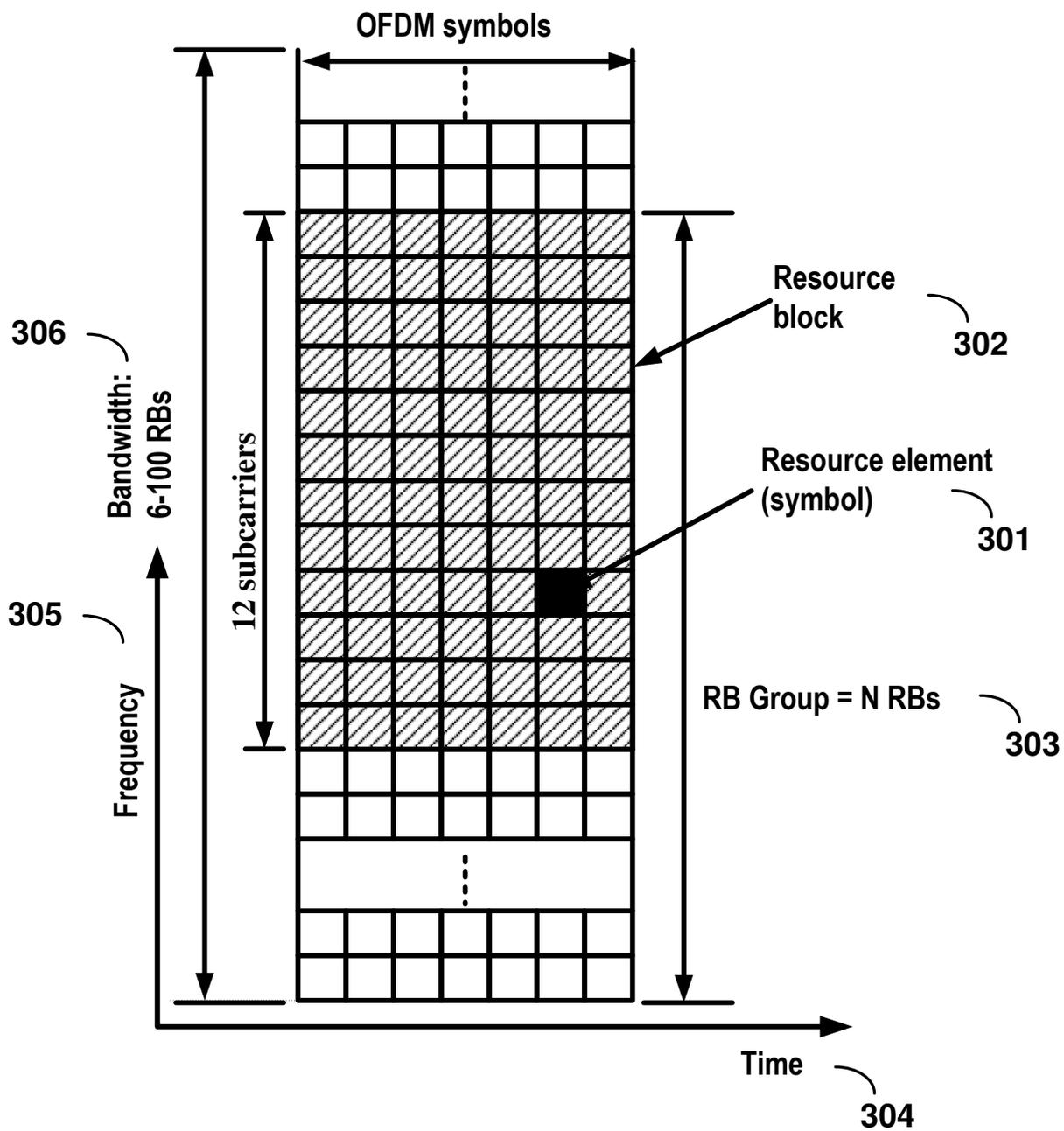


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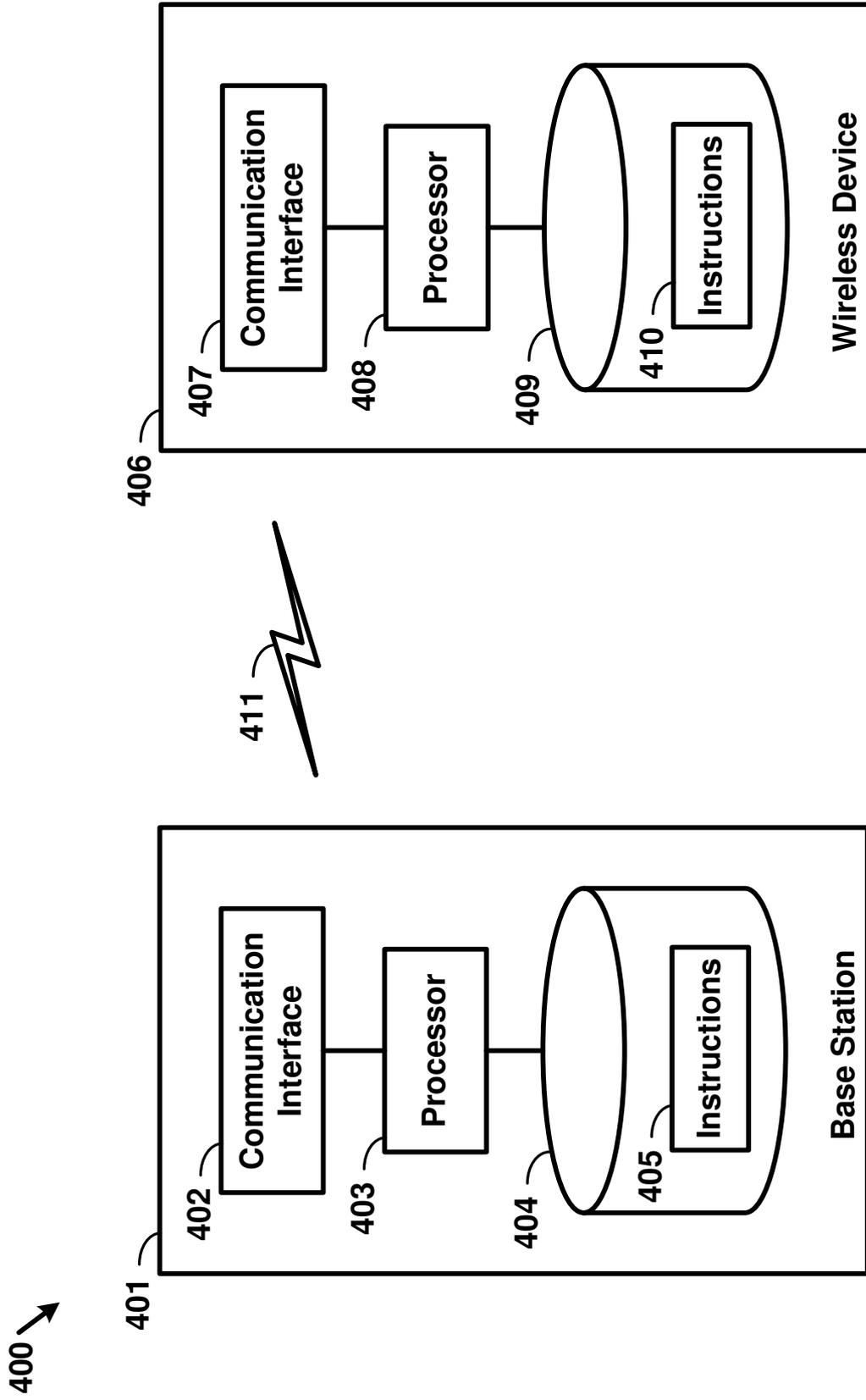


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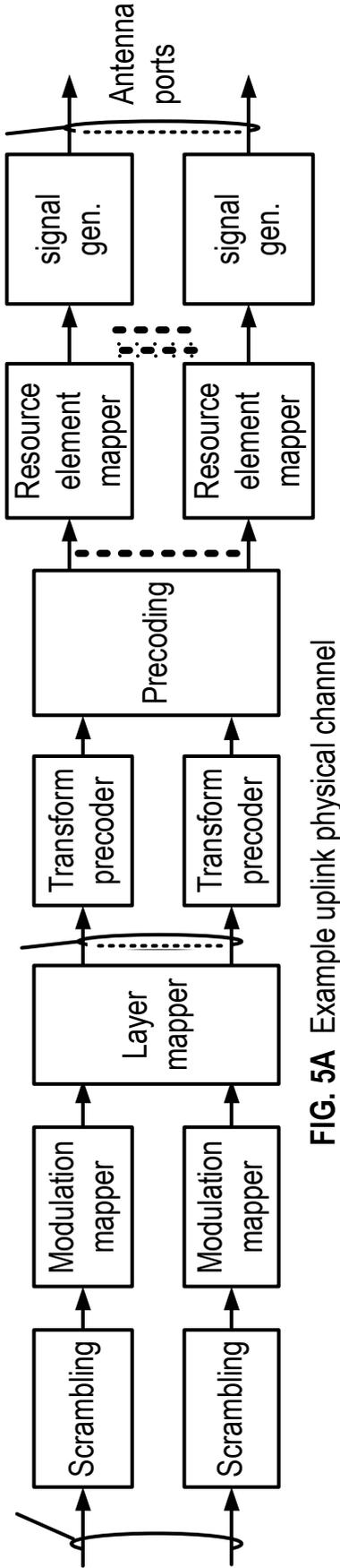


FIG. 5A Example uplink physical channel

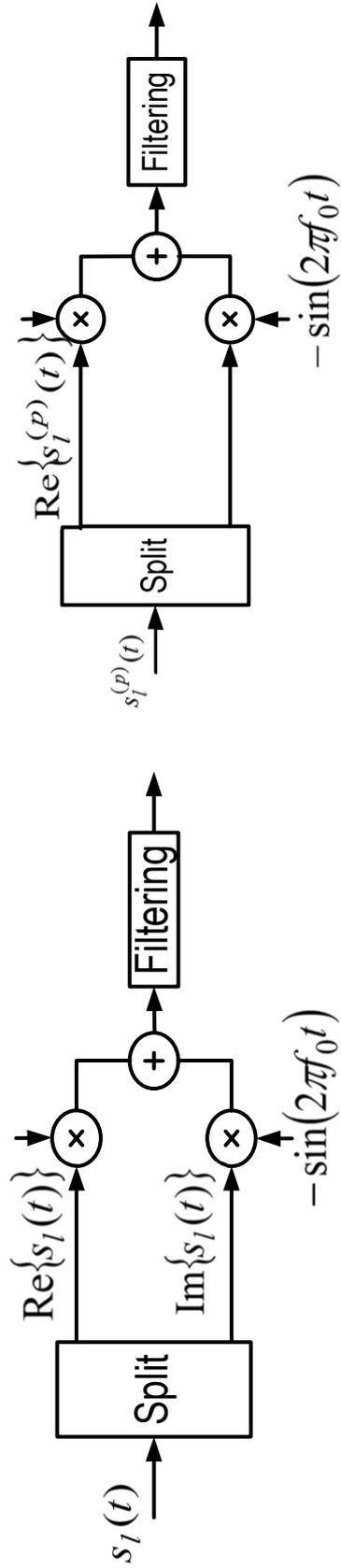


FIG. 5B Example uplink modulation

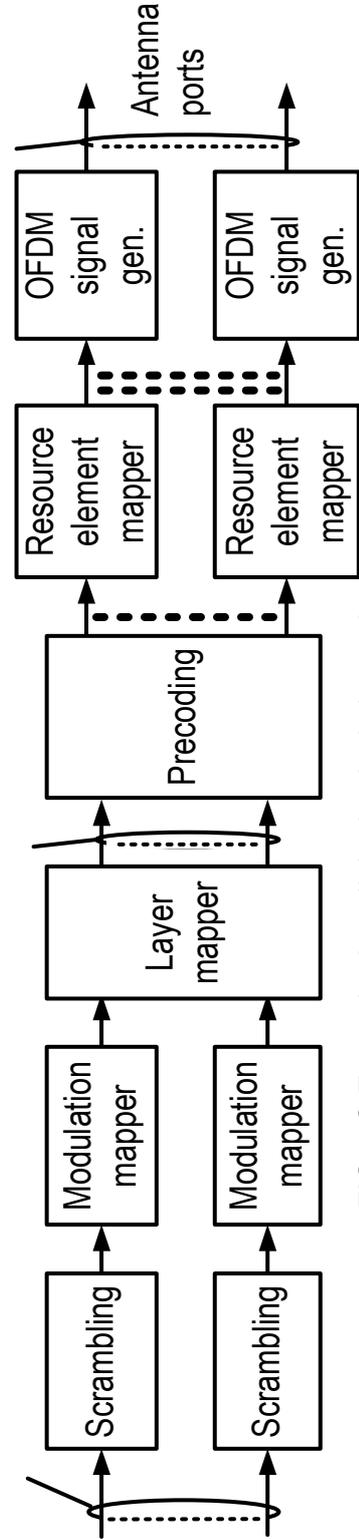


FIG. 5C Example downlink physical channel

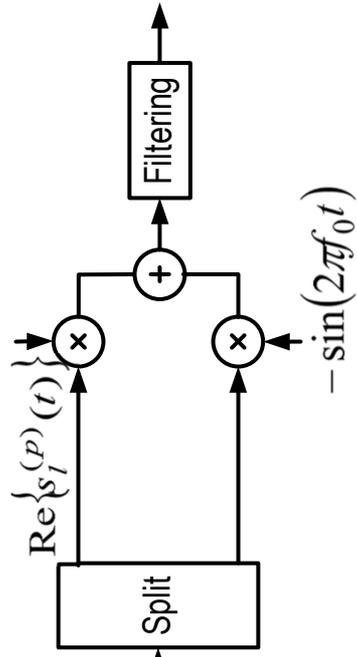
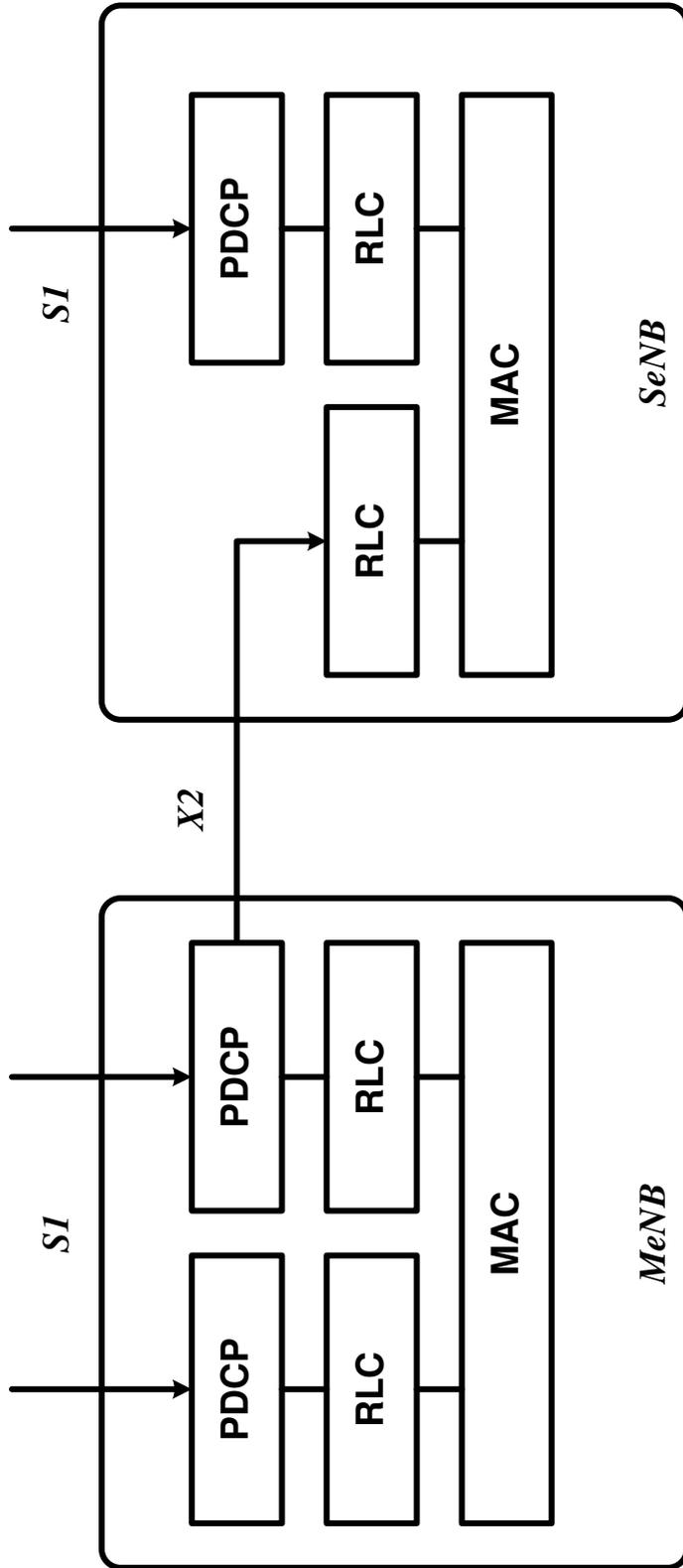
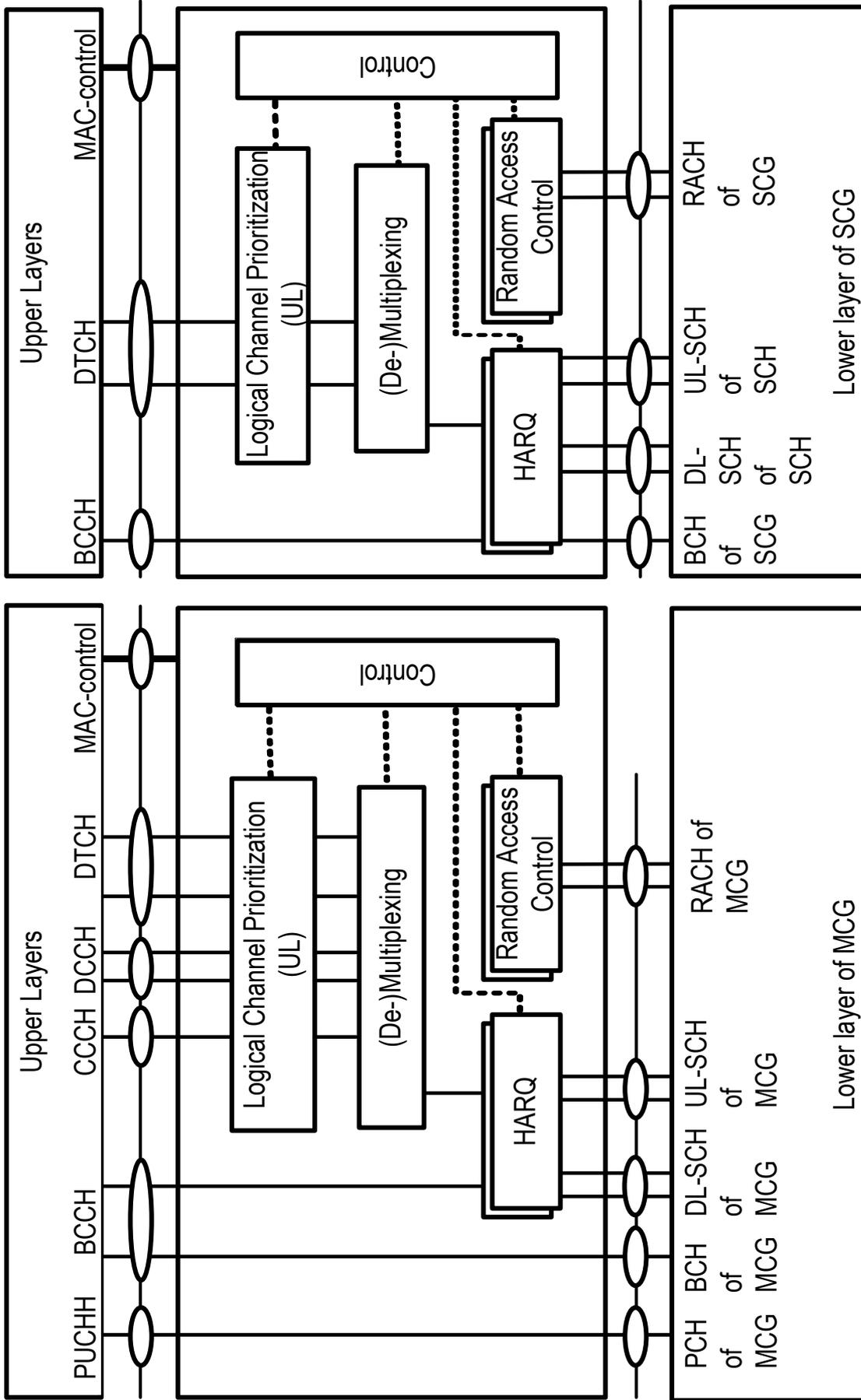


FIG. 5D Example downlink modulation



Dual-Connectivity at eNB

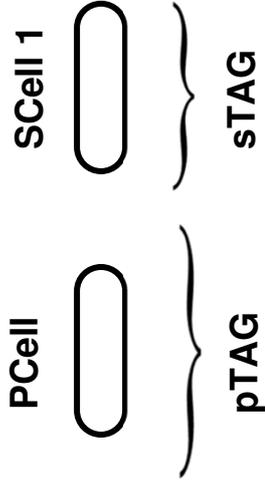
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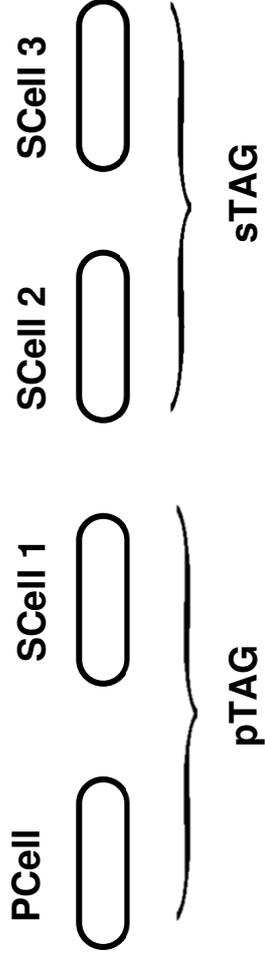
Dual-Connectivity- two MAC entities at UE side

FIG. 7

Example 1:



Example 2:



Example 3:

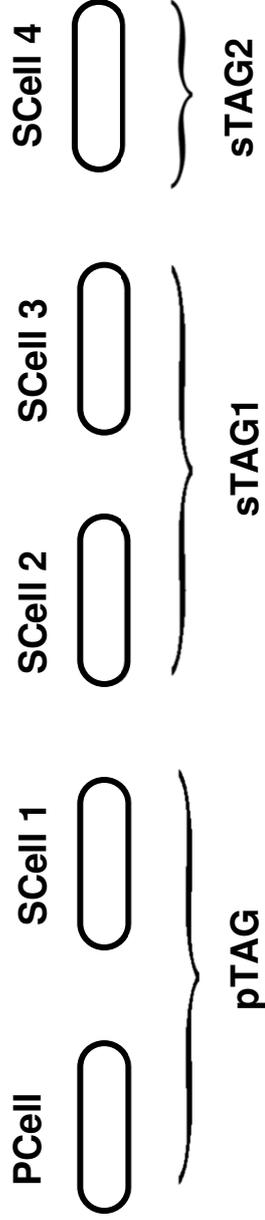


FIG. 8

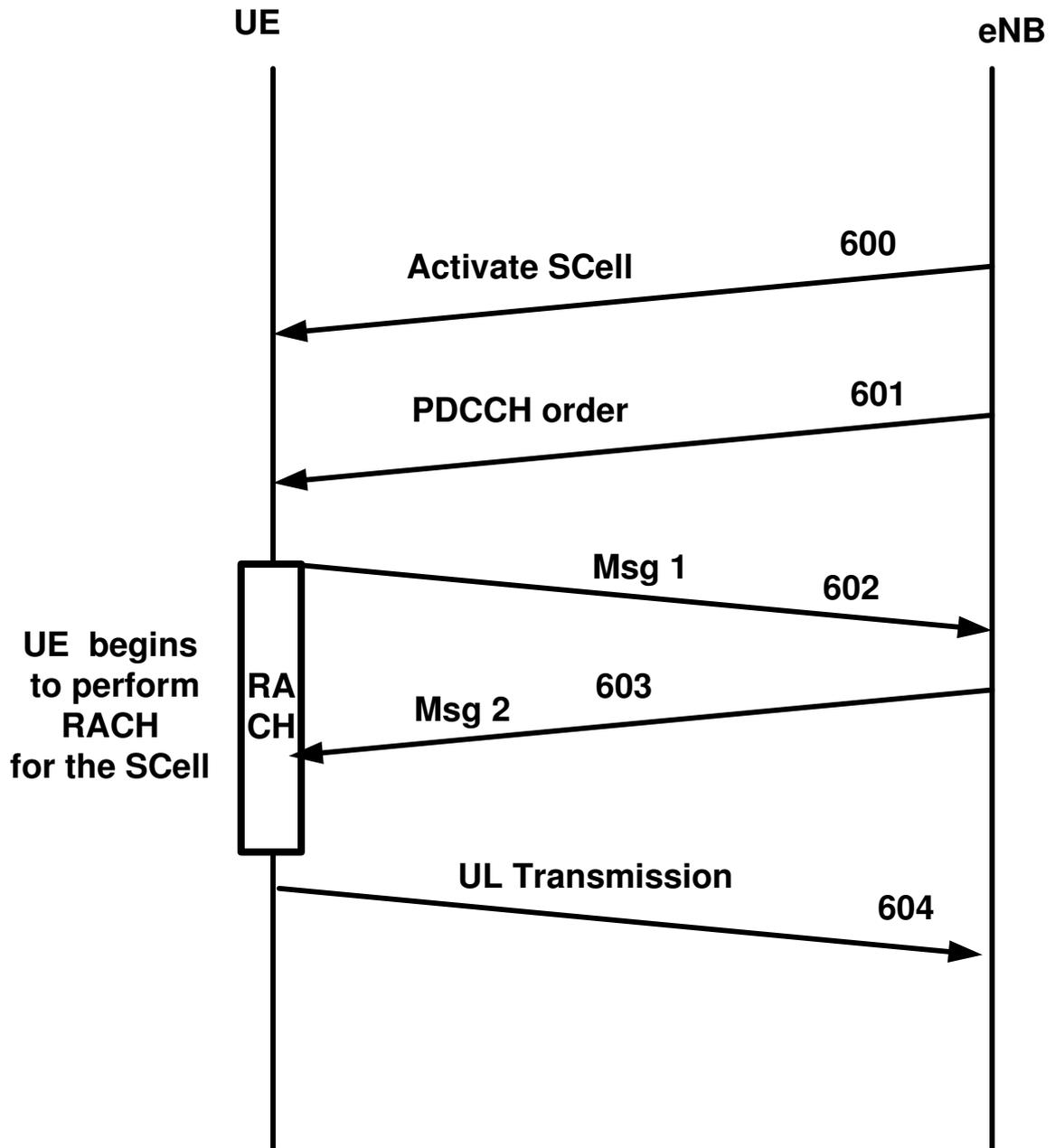


FIG. 9

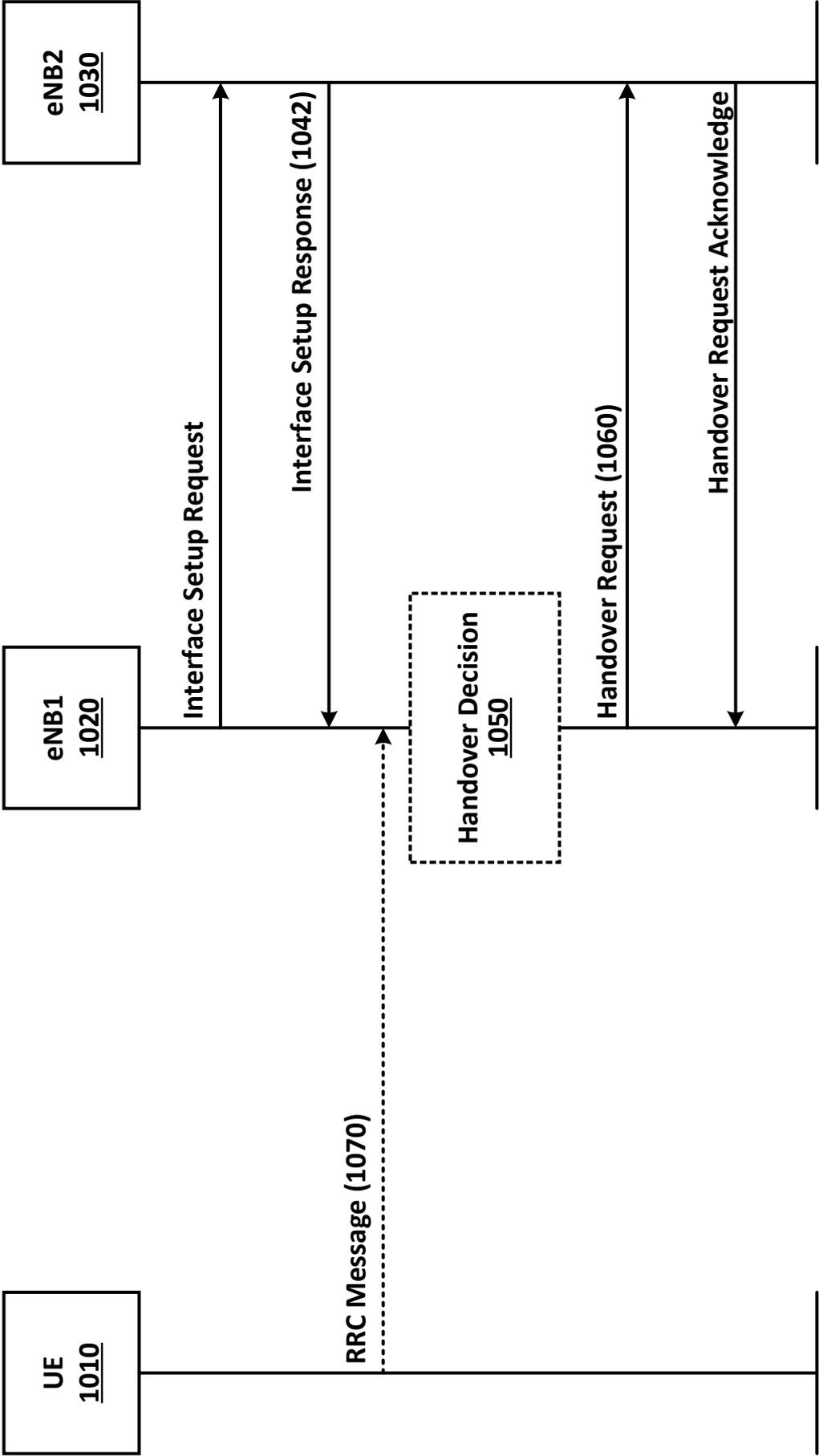


FIG. 10

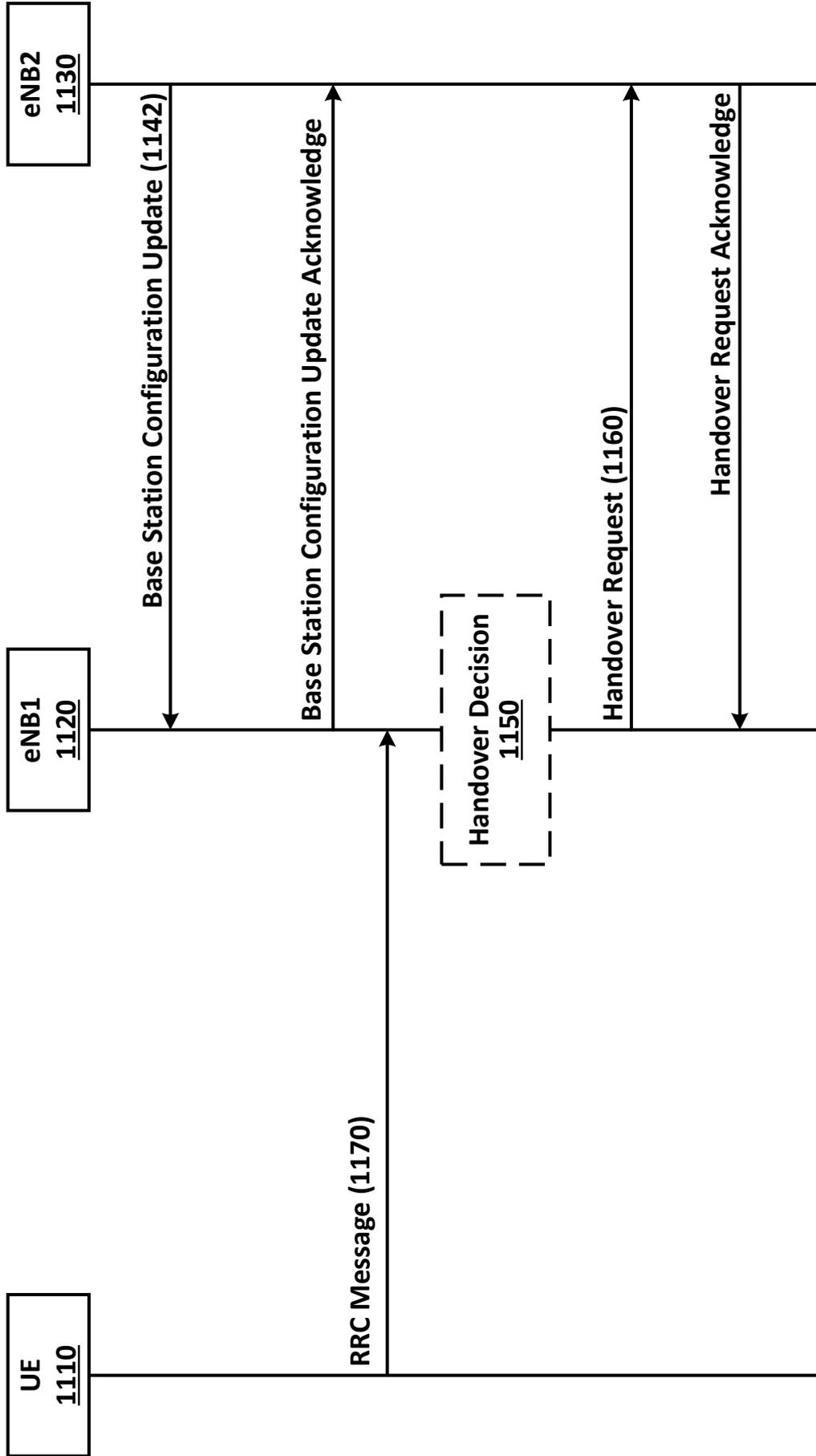


FIG. 11

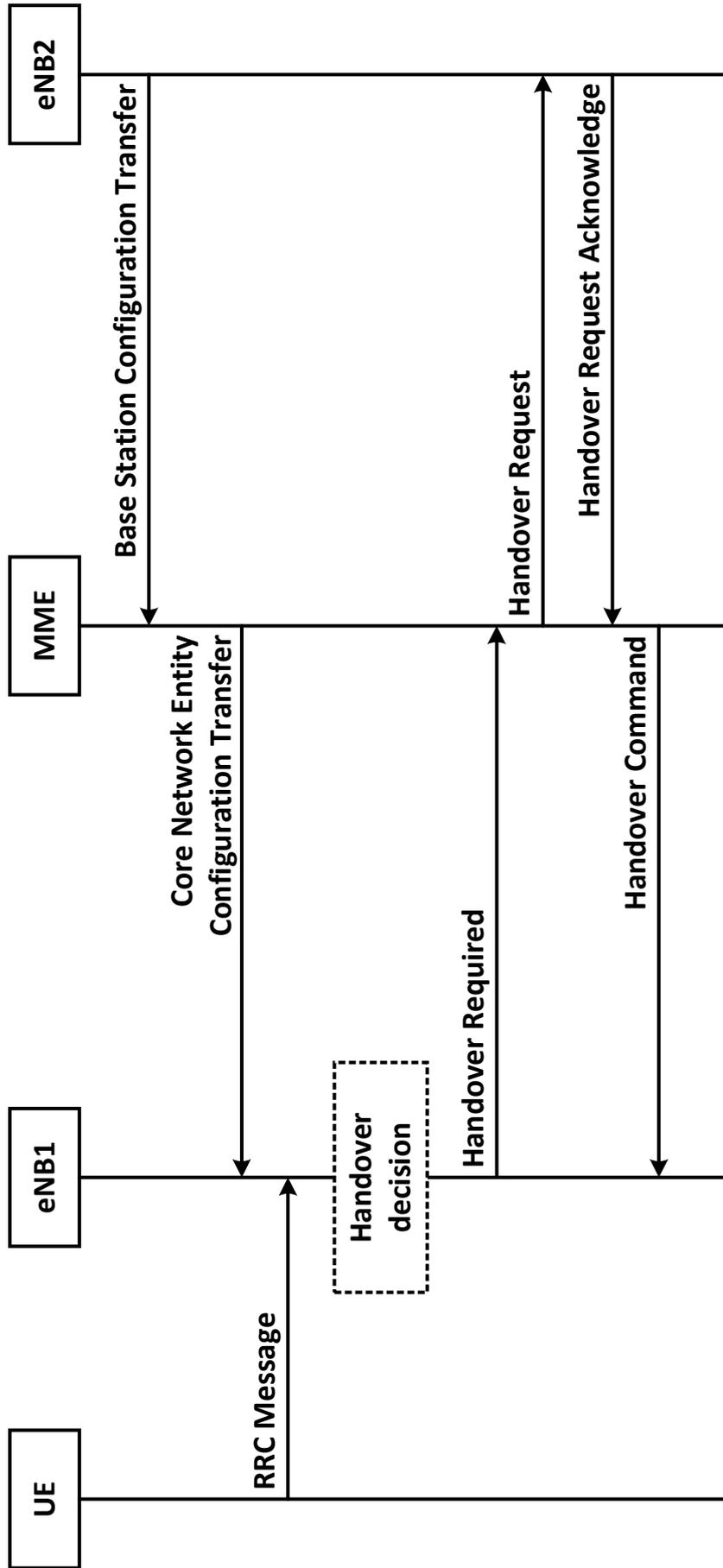


FIG. 12

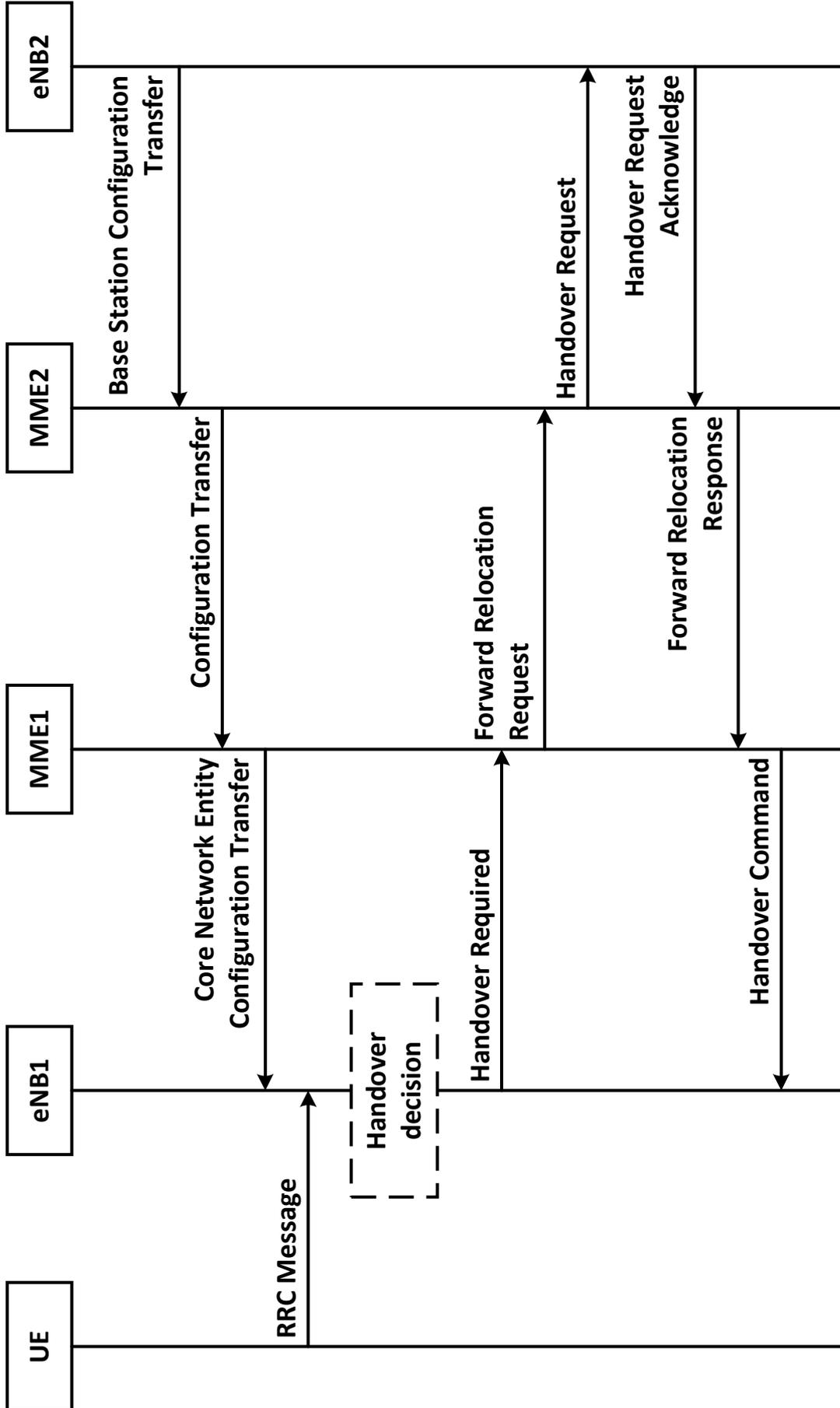


FIG. 13

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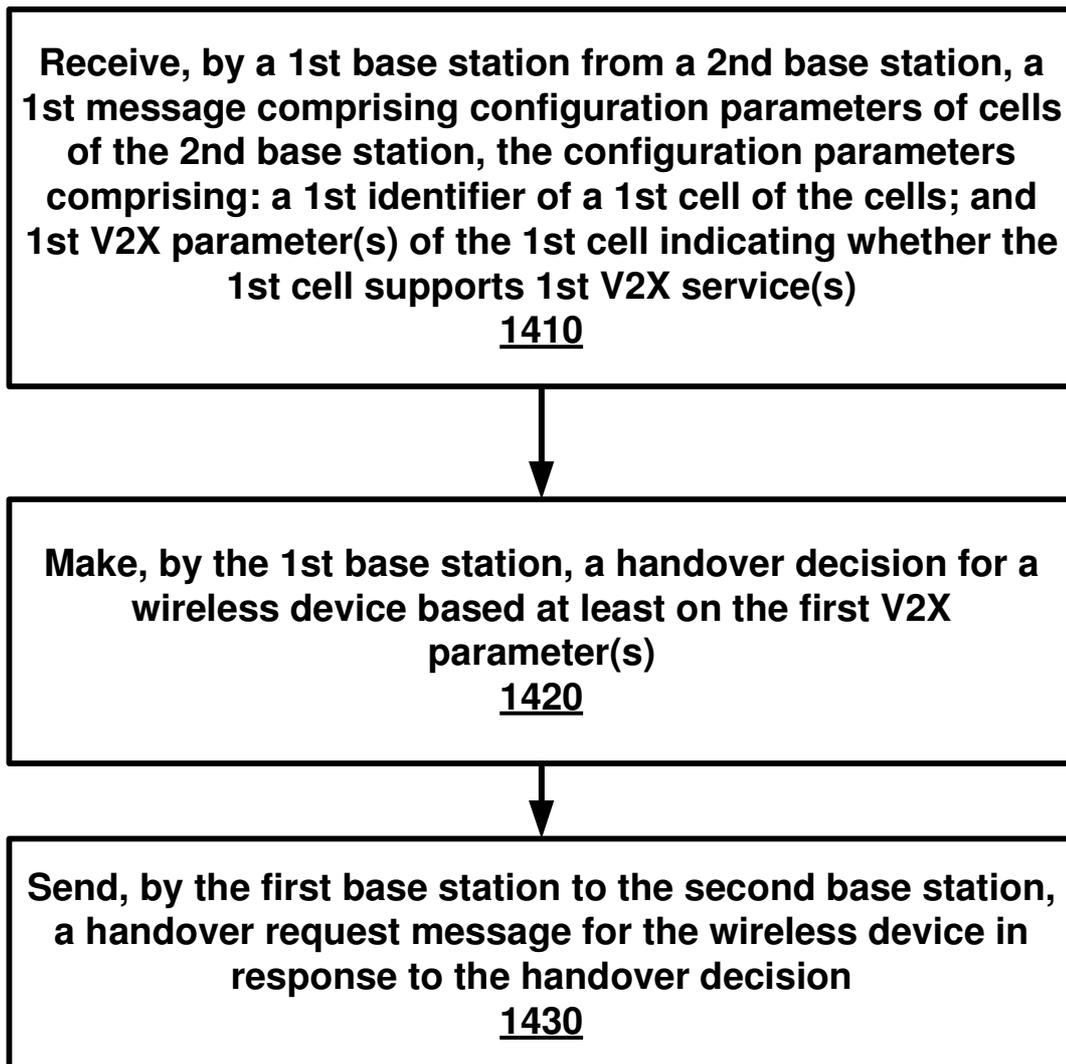


FIG. 14

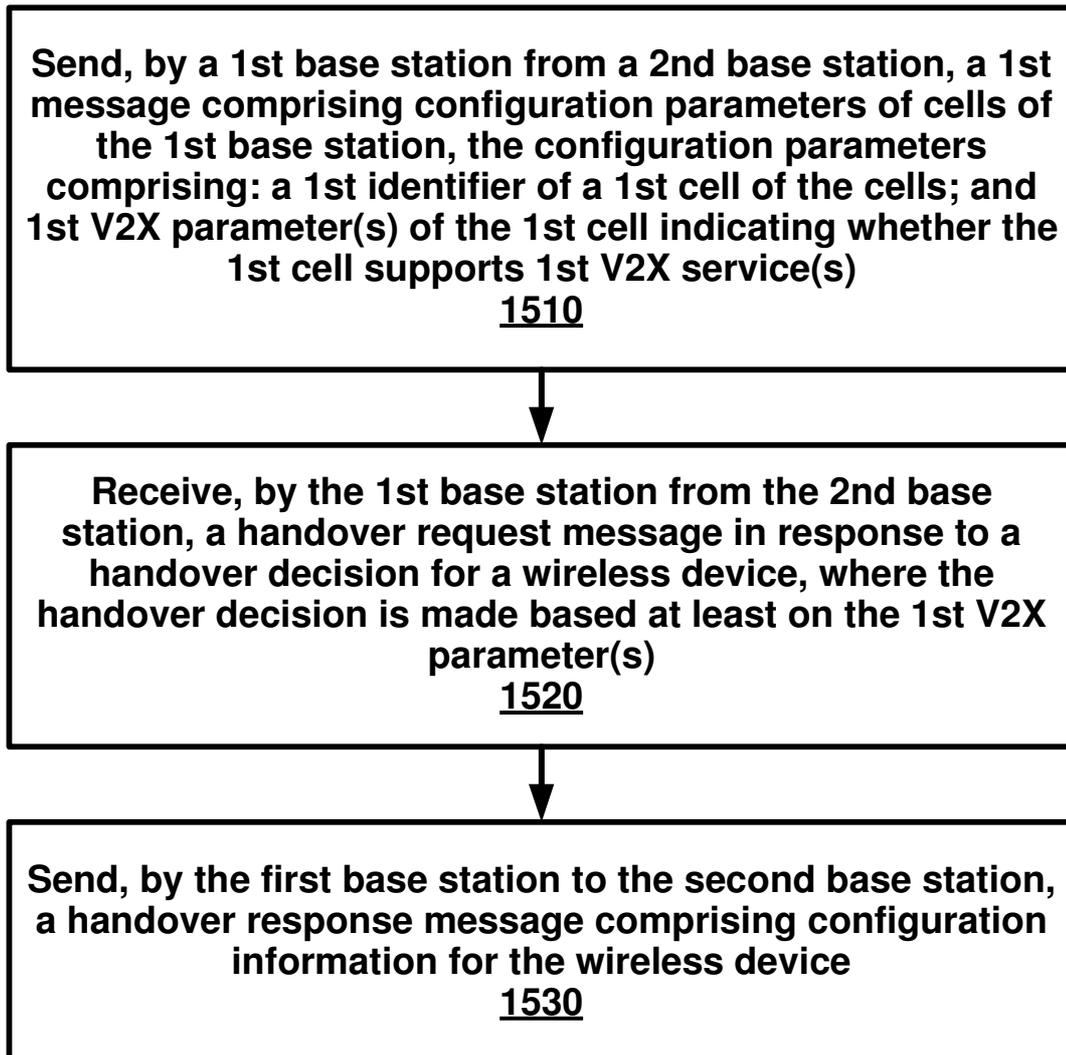


FIG. 15

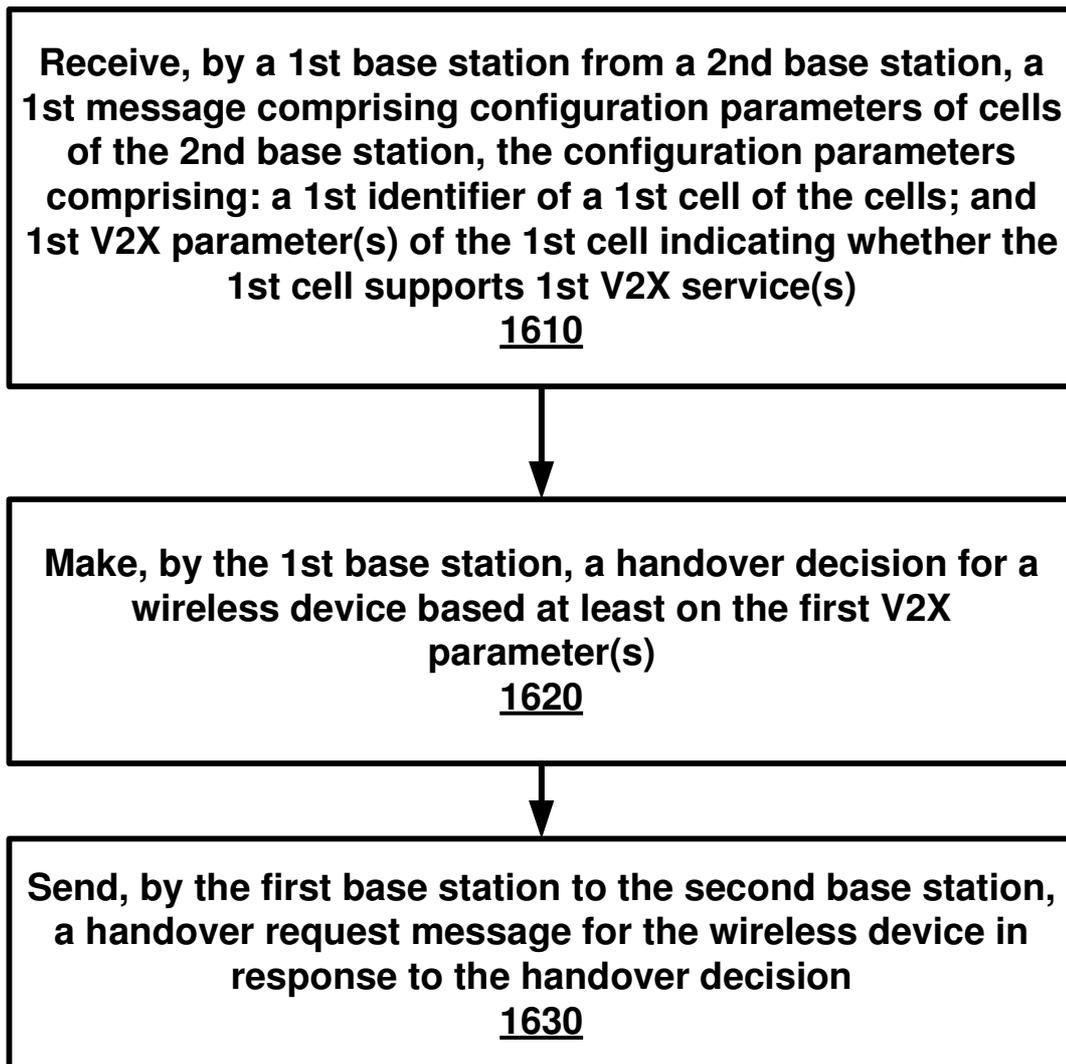


FIG. 16

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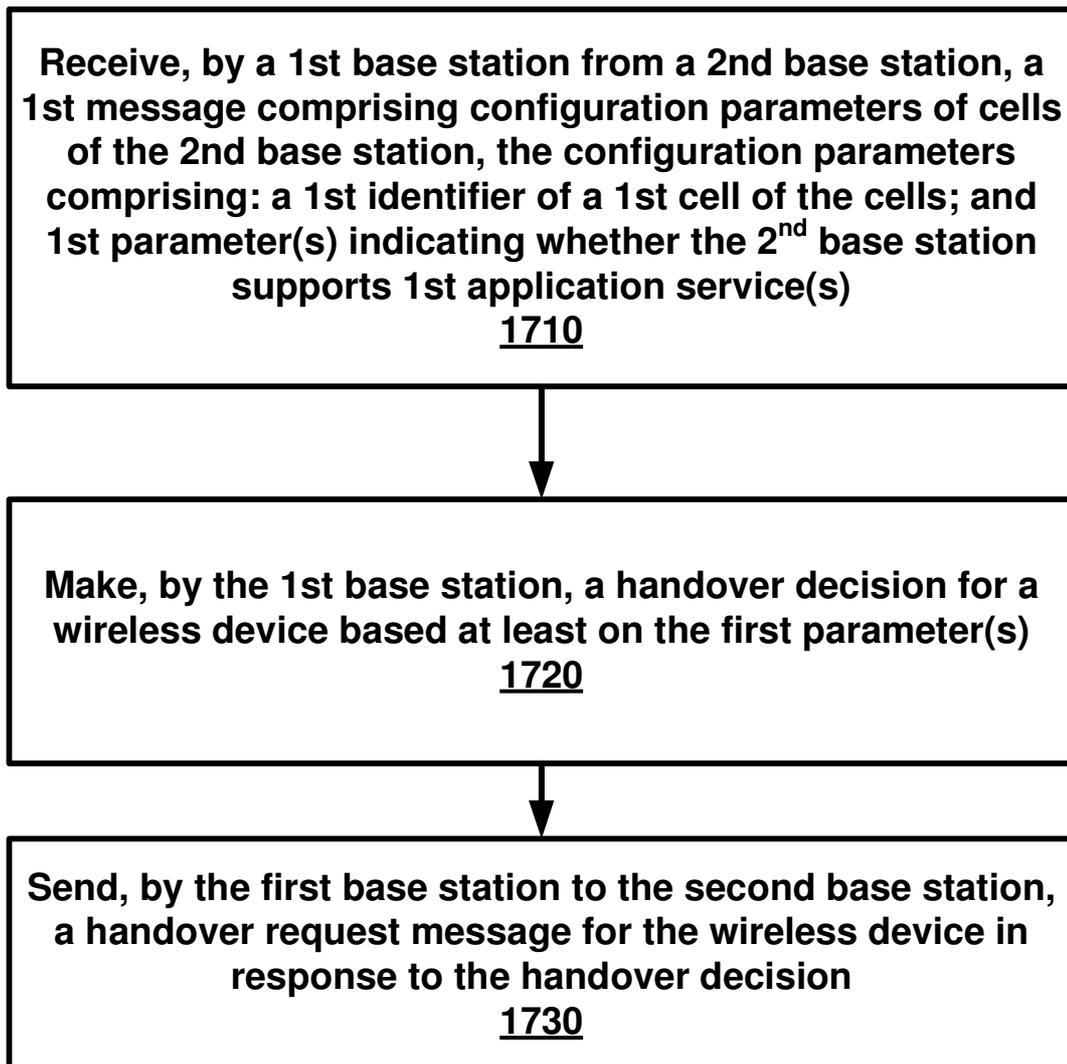


FIG. 17

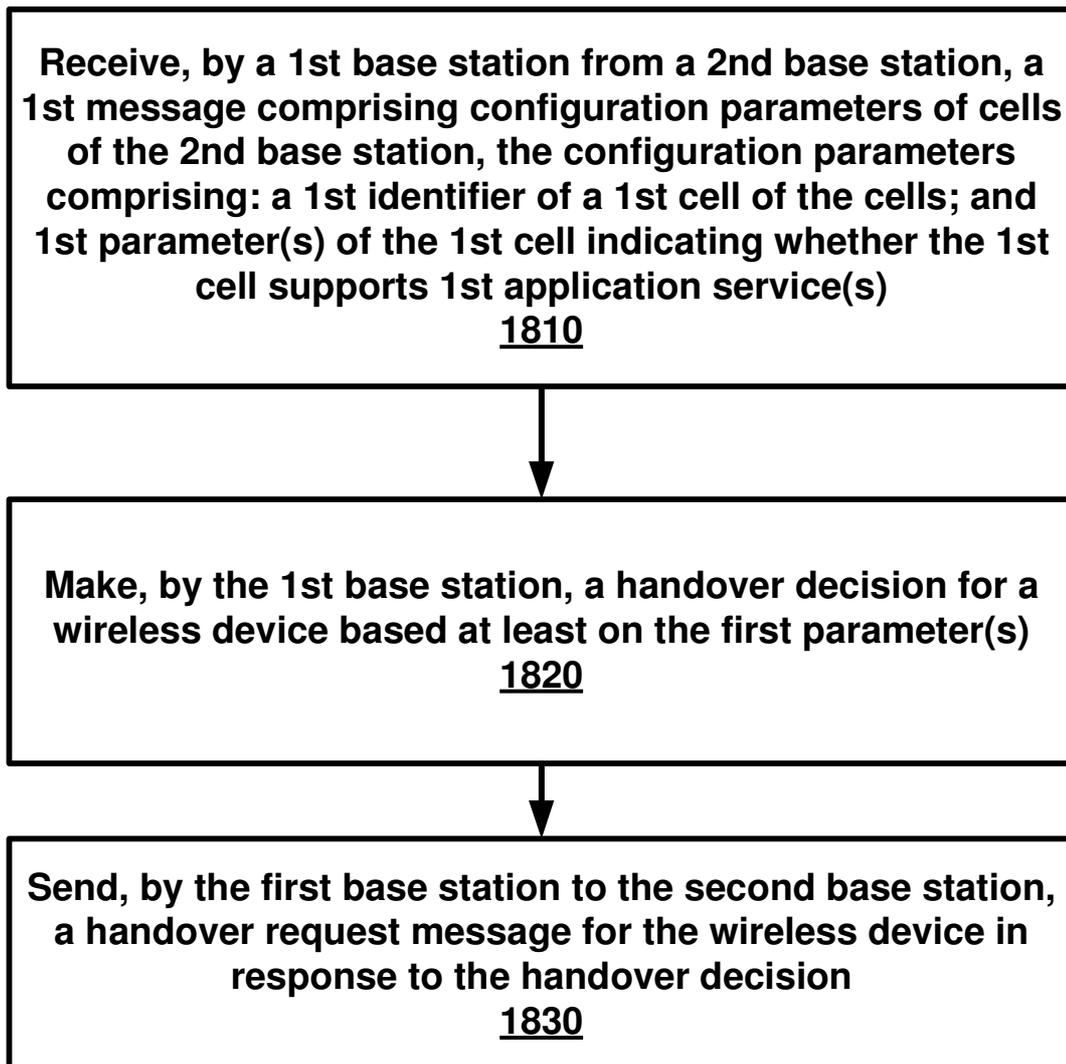


FIG. 18