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STRATEGY FOR COMPLIANCE DEMONSTRATION

1.1 RF Exposure Evaluation Strategy

The FCC RF exposure limits defined based on time-averaged RF exposure. The device under test (DUT) uses the Qualcomm Smart Transmit feature to control and manage transmitting power in real time and to ensure at all times the time-averaged RF exposure is in compliance with the FCC requirement for 3G/4G/5G NR operations. Additionally, this device supports WLAN/BT technologies, but the output power of these modems is not controlled by the smart transmit algorithm.

Demonstrating compliance of DUT enabled with Qualcomm Smart Transmit feature is completed in three parts:

0. RF Exposure Compliance Test Report Part 0: SAR Characterization and PD Characterization

The SAR and PD Characterization, denoted as SAR Char and PD Char, determines the power limit that meets FCC exposure requirement after accounting for device design related uncertainties for each supported radio configuration and RF exposure usage scenario. The determined power limits will be loaded and stored in the EUT via the Embedded File System (EFS), and then used as inputs for Smart Transmit to operate.

For 3G/4G/5G Sub6, SAR Char is derived from SAR test measurements and conducted power measurements to determine P_{Limit} for each technology/band. The P_{Limit} represents the maximum timeaveraged power level for the corresponding radio/antenna configuration.

1. RF Exposure Compliance Test Report Part 1: Test in Static Transmission Condition

Part 1 demonstrates that DUT meets FCC SAR limits when transmitting at pre-determined maximum time-averaged power level: P_{Limit} for 3G/4G/5G Sub6 NR and input.power.limit for 5G mmW NR. The SAR measurement in Part 1 is under static transmission condition.

The compliance for WLAN/BT radio is demonstrated at a fixed power level (fixed = maximum RF tune-up level or power-back off level).

The exposure from the simultaneous transmission of WLAN/BT is evaluated in Part 1 report.

2. RF Exposure Compliance Test Report Part 2: Test in Dynamic Transmission Condition

Part 2 demonstrates compliance in Tx varying transmission conditions and validates Qualcomm Smart Transmit algorithm. The test results reported in Part 2 demonstrates that DUT complies with FCC RF exposure requirement under Tx varying transmission scenarios, thereby validity of Qualcomm Smart Transmit algorithm.

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1.2 Nomenclature

Applicable Technologies	Term	Description	
	P _{Limit}	Power level that corresponds to the exposure design target (SAR_design_target) after accounting for all device design related uncertainties	
2G/3G/4G/5G	P _{Max}	Maximum tune up output power	
Sub6	T _{SAR}	Defined time averaging window for <i>f</i> < 6 GHz	
	SAR_design_target	Target SAR level resulting in maximum time-averaged	
		exposure optimized from total uncertainty	
	SAR Char	Table containing <i>Plimit</i> for all technologies	
	input.power.limit	Power level at antenna element for each beam	
		corresponding to the exposure design target	
		(PD_design_target)	
5G mmW NR	T_{PD}	Defined time averaging window for $f > 6$ GHz	
	PD_design_target	Target PD level resulting in maximum time-averaged	
		exposure optimized from total uncertainty	
	PD Char	Table containing input.power.limit for all beams	
	regulatory body	Regulatory body that the algorithm is designed to comply.	
2G/3G/4G/5G		Algorithm's time averaging window is dependent on either	
Sub6/5G		FCC or ICNIRP requirements.	
mmW NR	reserve_power_margin	Margin below <i>P_{Limit}</i> reserved for future transmission	
IIIIIIVV IVIX	Preserve	Minimum transmit power with a designated margin below	
		P _{Limit}	

1.3 Bibliography

Report Type	Report Serial Number
SAR Part 0 Test Report	1C2205090025-25.BCG
SAR Part 1 Test Report	1C2205090025-26.BCG
RF Exposure Part 2 Test Report	1C2205090025-27.BCG
Part 0 Power Density Test Report	1C2205090025-28.BCG
Part 1 Power Density Test Report	1C2205090025-29.BCG
PD Simulation Report	

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2 TIME AVERAGING ALGORITHM

2.1 Algorithm Description

The FCC RF exposure limit is defined based on time-averaged RF exposure. When running in a wireless device, Qualcomm Smart Transmit algorithm enables more elegant power control mechanisms for RF exposure management. It ensures at all times the wireless device is in compliance with the FCC limit of RF exposure time-averaged over a defined time window, denoted as T_{SAR} for specific absorption rate (SAR for transmit frequency < 6 GHz).

The Smart Transmit algorithm not only ensures the wireless device complies with RF exposure requirement, but also improves the user experience and network performance.

For a given wireless device, RF exposure is proportional to the transmitting power.

- Once the SAR of the wireless device is characterized at a transmit power level, RF exposure at a different power level for the characterized configurations can be scaled by the change in the corresponding power level.
- Therefore, for a characterized device, RF exposure compliance can be achieved through transmit power control and management.

The Smart Transmit algorithm embedded in Qualcomm modems reliably controls the transmit power of the wireless device in real time to maintain the time-averaged transmit power, in turn, time-averaged RF exposure, below the predefined time-averaged power limit for each characterized technology and band.

- This predefined time-averaged power limit is denoted as P_{Limit} corresponding SAR limit (frequency < 6 GHz) in this report.
- The wireless device continuously transmitting at *P*_{Limit} level complies with the FCC RF exposure requirement.

In a simultaneous transmission scenario, the algorithm manages all active transmitters and make sure the total exposure ratio from each transmitter not exceeding to 1.

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2.2 Basic concept of the algorithm

The Smart Transmit algorithm controls and manages the instantaneous transmit power (Tx) to maintain the timeaveraged Tx power and therefore, time-averaged RF exposure in compliance with FCC limits.

- If time-averaged transmit power approaches P_{Limit}, then the modem needs to limit instantaneous transmit power to ensure the time-averaged transmit power does not exceed P_{Limit} in any T_{SAR} time windows since the time-averaged RF exposure is required to comply with the FCC RF exposure limit in any T_{SAR} time window.
- The wireless device can instantaneously transmit at high transmit powers and exceed the P_{Limit} or level for a short duration before limiting the power to maintain the time-averaged transmit power under Pi imit.
- If the wireless device transmits at high power for a long time, then the radio link needs to be dropped to be compliant with time-averaged Tx power requirement (see Figure 2-1).
- To avoid dropping the radio link, Smart Transmit algorithm starts the power limiting enforcement earlier in time to back off the Tx power to a reserve level (denoted as $P_{reserve}$), so the wireless device can maintain the radio link at a minimum reserve power level for as long as needed, and at the same time ensure the time-averaged Tx power over any defined time window is less than P_{Limit} at all times (see Figure 2-2). At all times, Smart Transmit meets the below equation:

time.
$$avg. Tx\ power = \frac{1}{T_{SAR}} \int_{t-T_{SAR}}^{t} inst. Tx\ power(t)\ dt \le P_{limit}$$
Equation 2-1

where, $time.avg.Tx\ power$ is the transmit power averaged between $t-T_{SAR}$ and t time period; T_{SAR} is the time window defined by FCC for time-averaging RF exposure for Tx frequency less than 6GHz (sub6); inst. Tx power (t) is the instantaneous transmit power at t time instant; PLimit is the predefined time-averaged power limit.

$$mmW_time. avg. Tx\ power = \frac{1}{T_{PD}} \int_{t-T_{PD}}^{t} mmW_Tx\ power(t)\ dt \leq input.\ power.\ limit$$
 Equation 2-2

where, $mmW_time.avg.Tx\ power$ is the mmW transmit power averaged between $t-T_{PD}$ and t time period; T_{PD} is the time window defined by FCC for time-averaging RF exposure for mmW bands; mmW Tx power (t) is the instantaneous mmW transmit power at t time instant; input. power. limit is the predefined time-averaged power limit for the beam under test.

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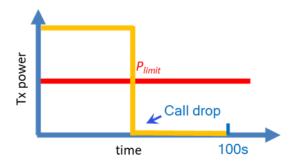


Figure 2-1 Transmit at high power when needed and permitted

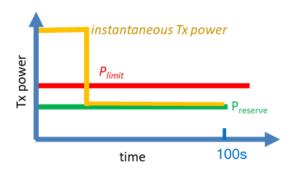


Figure 2-2 Transmit with reserve power to support continuous transmission at a minimum power level (Preserve)

In the case of simultaneous transmission, Smart Transmit manages all active transmitters and make sure the total exposure ratio is less than 1

$$\sum \frac{\frac{1}{T_{SAR}} \int_{t-T_{SAR}}^{t} SAR(t) \, dt}{FCC \; SAR \; limit} + \sum \frac{\frac{1}{T_{PD}} \int_{t-T_{pSPD}}^{t} 4cm^2 psPD(t) \, dt}{FCC \; psPD \; limit} \leq 1$$

Equation 2-3

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2.3 Configurable Parameters

The following input parameters are required for functionality of Qualcomm Smart Transmit algorithm. These parameters cannot be accessed by the end user, because at the factory they are entered through the embedded file system (EFS) entries by the OEM

Input Parameter	Description
regulatory body	 Inputs of "0" and "1" corresponding to FCC and ICNIRP requirements for the averaging time windows. For FCC, algorithm uses an averaging window of 100 seconds for f < 3 GHz, 60 seconds for 3 GHz < f < 6 GHz, and 4 seconds for 24 GHz < f < 42 GHz.
Tx_power_at_SAR_design_target (P _{Limit} in dBm) f < 6 GHz	The maximum time-averaged transmit power, in dBm, corresponding to the SAR_design_target.
	SAR_design_target is pre-determined for this DUT and it is less than regulatory SAR limit after accounting for all design related tolerances. The time-averaged SAR is assessed against this SAR_design_target in real time to determine the compliance.
	<i>P</i> _{Limit} could vary with technology, band and Device State Index (DSI) and therefore, it has the unique value for each technology, band and DSI.
Reserve_power_margin (dB)	The margin below P_{Limit} reserved for future transmission with a minimum transmit power P_{reserve}
Reserve_Power_Margin_db_2g_3g_wwan (P _{reserve} in dBm)	For 2G/3G technology, Reserve_power_margin (dB) = Reserve_Power_Margin_db_2g_3g_wwan
	P _{reserve} (dBm) = P _{limit} (dBm) - Reserve_power_margin (dB)
	When the <i>Reserve_power_margin</i> is set to 0 dB, Smart Transmit effectively limits the upper bound of the transmit power to P_{limit} and the DUT transmits continuously at P_{limit} without utilizing Smart Transmit dynamic control feature.
total_min_exp_budget_linear_4g_5g_wwan	For 4G/5G technology, Reserve_power_margin (dB) = - 10*log10(total_min_exp_budget_linear_4g_5g_wwan)
	P _{reserve} (dBm) = P _{limit} (dBm) - Reserve_power_margin (dB)
	When the <i>Reserve_power_margin</i> is set to 0 dB, Smart Transmit effectively limits the upper bound of the transmit power to P_{limit} and the DUT transmits continuously at P_{limit} without utilizing Smart Transmit dynamic control feature.

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secondary_split_ratio	For 4G/5G WWAN Technologies, in a two WWAN radio transmission scenario, the minimum reserve margin for the secondary WWAN radio is secondary_split_ratio* total_min_exp_budget_linear_4g_5g_wwan, while the primary radio has a minimum reserve margin of (1-secondary_split_ratio)*total_min_exp_budget_linear_4g_5g_wwan.
input.power.limit in dBm f≥6 GHz	Maximum time-averaged power at the input of antenna element port at which each antenna configuration/beam meets <i>PD_design_target</i> .

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3.1 Device Overview

This device uses the Qualcomm Smart Transmit feature to control and manage transmitting power in real time and to ensure at all times the time-averaged RF exposure is in compliance with the FCC requirement for 3G/4G/5G operations. Additionally, this device supports WLAN/BT technologies, but the output power of these modems is not controlled by the smart transmit algorithm.

Band & Mode	Operating Modes	Tx Frequency	
UMTS 850	Data	826.40 - 846.60 MHz	
UMTS 1750	Data	1712.4 - 1752.6 MHz	
UMTS 1900	Data	1852.4 - 1907.6 MHz	
LTE Band 71	Voice/Data	665.5 - 695.5 MHz	
LTE Band 12	Voice/Data	699.7 - 715.3 MHz	
LTE Band 17	Voice/Data	706.5 - 713.5 MHz	
LTE Band 13	Voice/Data	779.5 - 784.5 MHz	
LTE Band 14	Voice/Data	790.5 - 795.5 MHz	
LTE Band 26 (Cell)	Voice/Data	814.7 - 848.3 MHz	
LTE Band 5 (Cell)	Voice/Data	824.7 - 848.3 MHz	
LTE Band 66 (AWS)	Voice/Data	1710.7 - 1779.3 MHz	
LTE Band 4 (AWS)	Voice/Data	1710.7 - 1754.3 MHz	
LTE Band 25 (PCS)	Voice/Data	1850.7 - 1914.3 MHz	
LTE Band 2 (PCS)	Voice/Data	1850.7 - 1909.3 MHz	
LTE Band 30	Voice/Data	2307.5 - 2312.5 MHz	
LTE Band 7	Voice/Data	2502.5 - 2567.5 MHz	
LTE Band 41	Voice/Data	2498.5 - 2687.5 MHz	
LTE Band 48	Voice/Data	3552.5 - 3697.5 MHz	
NR Band n71	Data	665.5 - 695.5 MHz	
NR Band n12	Data	701.5 - 713.5 MHz	
NR Band n14	Data	790.5 - 795.5 MHz	
NR Band n5 (Cell)	Data	826.5 - 846.5 MHz	
NR Band n26 (Cell)	Data	816.5 - 846.5 MHz	
NR Band n70	Data	1697.5 - 1707.5 MHz	
NR Band n66 (AWS)	Data	1712.5 - 1777.5 MHz	
NR Band n25 (PCS)	Data	1852.5 - 1912.5 MHz	
NR Band n2 (PCS)	Data	1852.5 - 1907.5 MHz	
NR Band n30	Data	2307.5 - 2312.5 MHz	
NR Band n7	Data	2502.5 - 2567.5 MHz	
NR Band n41	Data	2506.02 - 2679.99 MHz	
NR Band n77 DoD	Data	3455.01 - 3544.98 MHz	
NR Band n77 C	Data Vaiss/Data	3705.0 - 3975.0 MHz	
2.4 GHz WLAN U-NII-1	Voice/Data	2412 - 2472 MHz 5180 - 5240 MHz	
U-NII-2A	Voice/Data		
U-NII-2A U-NII-2C	Voice/Data	5260 - 5320 MHz	
	Voice/Data	5500 - 5720 MHz	
U-NII-3	Voice/Data	5745 - 5825 MHz	
U-NII-5	Voice/Data	5955 - 6415 MHz	
U-NII-6	Voice/Data	6435 - 6515 MHz	
U-NII-7	Voice/Data	6535 - 6875 MHz	
U-NII-8	Voice/Data	6895 - 7115 MHz	
Bluetooth	Data	2402 - 2480 MHz	
NB UNII-1	Data	5162 - 5245 MHz	
NB UNII-3	Data	5733 - 5844 MHz	
NR Band n258	Data	24250 - 24450 MHz 24750-25250 MHz	
NR Band n260	Data	37000 - 40000 MHz	
NR Band n261	Data	27500 - 28350 MHz	

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4.1 RF Exposure Compliance Summary

All transmission scenarios that the DUT supports comply with FCC time-averaged RF exposure requirements, as shown in Table 4-1.

Table 4-1
Reported RF Exposure Levels

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	RFx Evaluation	Power Level	FCC Limit	<u>Reported</u> RF Exposure Level	Test Report
SAR	Standalone 1g SAR	P _{limit}	1.6	1.175	FCC SAR Evaluation Report
(W/kg) Simultaneous Tx 1g SAR	Simultaneous Tx 1g SAR	P _{limit}	1.6	1.587	(Part 1)
psPD (mW/cm²)	4cm² psPD	input.power.limit	1.0	5.31	FCC PD Evaluation Report (Part 1)
TER	Total Exposure Ratio	P _{limit} for SAR, input.power.limit for psPD	1.0	0.999	FCC PD Evaluation Report (Part 1)

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