



# RF TEST REPORT

**Applicant** Quectel Wireless Solutions Co., Ltd

**FCC ID** XMR202102FC21

**Product** Wi-Fi&BT module

**Brand** Quectel

**Model** FC21

**Report No.** R2101A0021-R1V1

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TA Technology (Shanghai) Co., Ltd. tested the above equipment in accordance with the requirements in **FCC CFR47 Part 15C (2020)**. The test results show that the equipment tested is capable of demonstrating compliance with the requirements as documented in this report.

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## Summary of measurement results

Number	Test Case	Clause in FCC rules	Verdict
1	Maximum output power	15.247(b)(3)	PASS
2	6 dB bandwidth	15.247(a)(2)	PASS
3	Power spectral density	15.247(e)	PASS
4	Band Edge	15.247(d)	PASS
5	Spurious RF Conducted Emissions	15.247(d)	PASS
6	Unwanted Emissions	15.247(d),15.205,15.209	PASS
7	Conducted Emissions	15.207	PASS

Date of Testing: April 26, 2021 ~ May 28, 2021  
Date of Sample Received: March 12, 2021

Note: All indications of Pass/Fail in this report are opinions expressed by TA Technology (Shanghai) Co., Ltd. based on interpretations and/or observations of test results. Measurement Uncertainties were not taken into account and are published for informational purposes only.



## 1. Test Laboratory

### 1.1. Notes of the test report

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### 1.2. Test facility

#### **FCC (Designation number: CN1179, Test Firm Registration Number: 446626)**

TA Technology (Shanghai) Co., Ltd. has been listed on the US Federal Communications Commission list of test facilities recognized to perform measurements.

#### **A2LA (Certificate Number: 3857.01)**

TA Technology (Shanghai) Co., Ltd. has been listed by American Association for Laboratory Accreditation to perform measurement.

### 1.3. Testing Location

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## 2. General Description of Equipment under Test

### 2.1. Applicant and Manufacturer Information

Applicant	Quectel Wireless Solutions Co., Ltd
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Manufacturer	Quectel Wireless Solutions Co., Ltd
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### 2.2. General information

EUT Description	
Model	FC21
SN	E1821BN10000039
Hardware Version	R1.0
Software Version	FC21SA-Q73
Power Supply	External power supply
Antenna Type	External Antenna
Antenna Connector	A permanently attached antenna (meet with the standard FCC Part 15.203 requirement)
Antenna Gain	Wi-Fi 2.4G: 5.16 dBi; Bluetooth LE: 3 dBi
additional beamforming gain	NA
Test Mode	802.11b, 802.11g, 802.11n(HT20/HT40) Bluetooth LE V5.0
Modulation Type	802.11b: DSSS 802.11g/n(HT20/HT40): OFDM Bluetooth LE: GFSK
Max. Conducted Power	Wi-Fi 2.4G: 18.24dBm Bluetooth LE: -2.96 dBm
Operating Frequency Range(s)	802.11b/g/n(HT20): 2412 ~ 2462 MHz 802.11n(HT40): 2422 ~ 2452 MHz Bluetooth LE: 2402 ~ 2480 MHz

Note: 1. The EUT is sent from the applicant to TA and the information of the EUT is declared by the applicant.



### 3. Applied Standards

According to the specifications of the manufacturer, it must comply with the requirements of the following standards:

**Test standards:**

**FCC CFR47 Part 15C (2020) Radio Frequency Devices**

**ANSI C63.10 (2013)**

**Reference standard:**

**KDB 558074 D01 15.247 Meas Guidance v05r02**



## 4. Test Configuration

### Test Mode

The EUT has been associated with peripherals and configuration operated in a manner tended to maximize its emission characteristics in a typical application.

The radiated emission was measured in the following position: EUT stand-up position (Z axis), lie-down position (X, Y axis). The worst emission was found in lie-down position (X axis) and the loop antenna is vertical, the others are vertical and horizontal. and the worst case was recorded.

In order to find the worst case condition, Pre-tests are needed at the presence of different data rate. Preliminary tests have been done on all the configuration for confirming worst case. Data rate below means worst-case rate of each test item.

#### The test software is used IPOP

Worst-case data rates are shown as following table.

Test Mode	Data Rate
Bluetooth(Low Energy)	1Mbps
802.11b	1 Mbps
802.11g	6 Mbps
802.11n HT20	MCS0
802.11n HT40	MCS0

## 5. Test Case Results

### 5.1. Maximum output power

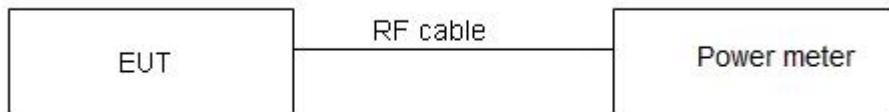
#### Ambient condition

Temperature	Relative humidity	Pressure
23°C ~25°C	45%~50%	101.5kPa

#### Methods of Measurement

During the process of the testing, The EUT was connected to Power meter with a known loss. The EUT is max power transmission with proper modulation.

#### Test Setup



#### Limits

Rule Part 15.247 (b) (3) specifies that " For systems using digital modulation in the 902–928 MHz, 2400–2483.5 MHz: 1 Watt."

Average Output Power	$\leq 1W$ (30dBm)
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#### Measurement Uncertainty

The assessed measurement uncertainty to ensure 95% confidence level for the normal distribution is with the coverage factor  $k = 2$ ,  $U = 0.44$  dB.

**Test Results**

<b>Power Index</b>					
<b>Channel</b>	<b>802.11b</b>	<b>802.11g</b>	<b>802.11n HT20</b>	<b>Channel</b>	<b>802.11n HT40</b>
<b>CH1</b>	17	16.5	16.5	<b>CH3</b>	15
<b>CH6</b>	17	16.5	16.5	<b>CH6</b>	15
<b>CH11</b>	17	16.5	16.5	<b>CH9</b>	15

<b>Test Mode</b>	<b>T<sub>on</sub> (ms)</b>	<b>T<sub>(on+off)</sub> (ms)</b>	<b>Duty cycle</b>	<b>Duty cycle correction Factor(dB)</b>
802.11b	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00
802.11g	2.02	2.20	0.92	0.37
802.11n HT20	1.88	1.99	0.95	0.24
802.11n HT40	0.93	1.03	0.90	0.45
Bluetooth LE	0.40	0.62	0.647	1.888

Note: when Duty cycle  $\geq 0.98$ , Duty cycle correction Factor not required.



Test Mode	Carrier frequency (MHz)	Average Power Measured (dBm)	Average Power with duty factor (dBm)	Limit (dBm)	Conclusion
802.11b	2412	18.24	18.24	30	PASS
	2437	17.45	17.45	30	PASS
	2462	18.05	18.05	30	PASS
802.11g	2412	16.82	17.19	30	PASS
	2437	16.09	16.46	30	PASS
	2462	16.52	16.89	30	PASS
802.11n HT20	2412	16.56	16.80	30	PASS
	2437	15.93	16.17	30	PASS
	2462	16.22	16.46	30	PASS
802.11n HT40	2422	14.39	14.84	30	PASS
	2437	14.64	15.09	30	PASS
	2452	14.67	15.12	30	PASS
Bluetooth (Low Energy)	2402	-4.85	-2.96	30	PASS
	2440	-3.98	-2.09	30	PASS
	2480	-4.91	-3.02	30	PASS

Note: Average Power with duty factor = Average Power Measured +Duty cycle correction factor

## 5.2. 99% Bandwidth and 6dB Bandwidth

### Ambient condition

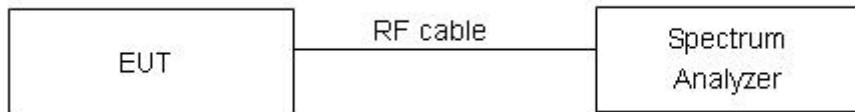
Temperature	Relative humidity	Pressure
23°C ~25°C	45%~50%	101.5kPa

### Method of Measurement

The EUT was connected to the spectrum analyzer through an external attenuator (20dB) and a known loss cable. RBW is set to 100 kHz; VBW is set to 300 kHz on spectrum analyzer. Dector=Peak, Trace mode=max hold.

The EUT was connected to the spectrum analyzer through a known loss cable. The resolution bandwidth (RBW) shall be in the range of 1% to 5% of the actual occupied / x dB bandwidth and the video bandwidth (VBW) shall not be smaller than three times the RBW value.

### Test Setup



### Limits

Rule Part 15.247 (a) (2) specifies that "Systems using digital modulation techniques may operate in the 902–928 MHz, 2400–2483.5 MHz bands. The minimum 6 dB bandwidth shall be at least 500 kHz."

minimum 6 dB bandwidth	$\geq 500$ kHz
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### Measurement Uncertainty

The assessed measurement uncertainty to ensure 95% confidence level for the normal distribution is with the coverage factor  $k = 2$ ,  $U = 936$  Hz.

**Test Results:**

Test Mode	Carrier frequency (MHz)	99% bandwidth (MHz)	Minimum 6 dB bandwidth (MHz)	Limit (kHz)	Conclusion
802.11b	2412	13.0180	8.0650	500	PASS
	2437	13.2140	8.0700	500	PASS
	2462	13.0670	8.0740	500	PASS
802.11g	2412	16.2140	15.1300	500	PASS
	2437	16.3180	15.3600	500	PASS
	2462	16.2220	15.1500	500	PASS
802.11n HT20	2412	17.2830	15.1400	500	PASS
	2437	17.3790	15.3200	500	PASS
	2462	17.3100	15.1500	500	PASS
802.11n HT40	2422	35.5690	33.8500	500	PASS
	2437	36.0710	35.2200	500	PASS
	2452	35.8750	35.1600	500	PASS
Bluetooth (Low Energy)	2402	1.0661	0.6722	500	PASS
	2440	1.0633	0.6740	500	PASS
	2480	1.0657	0.6708	500	PASS



## 99%bandwidth

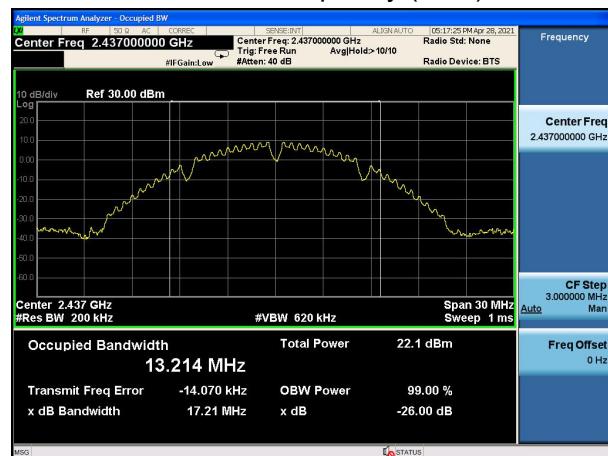
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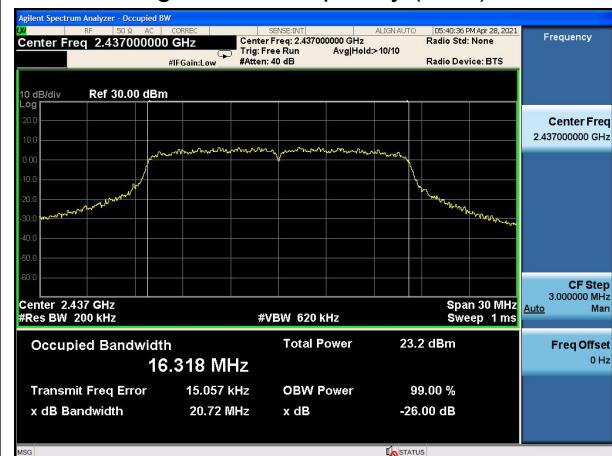
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## 802.11b, Carrier frequency (MHz): 2437



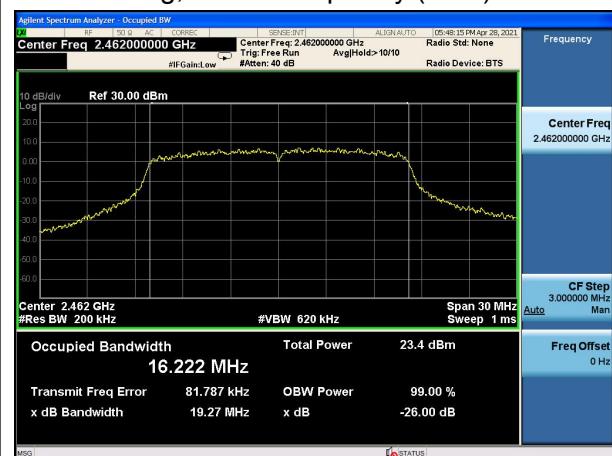
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## 802.11g, Carrier frequency (MHz): 2462





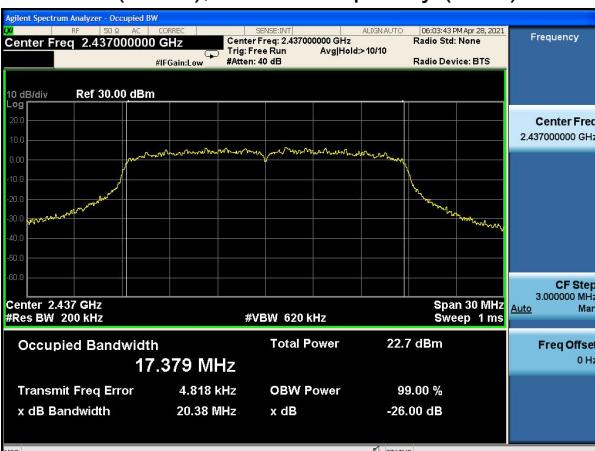
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## 802.11n(HT40), Carrier frequency (MHz): 2422



## 802.11n(HT20), Carrier frequency (MHz): 2437



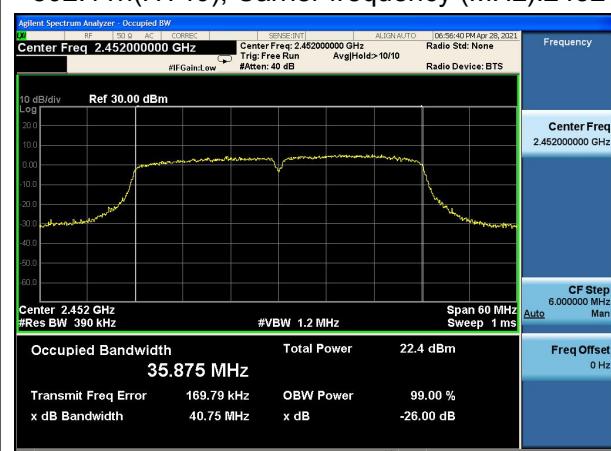
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## 802.11n(HT20), Carrier frequency (MHz): 2462



## 802.11n(HT40), Carrier frequency (MHz): 2452





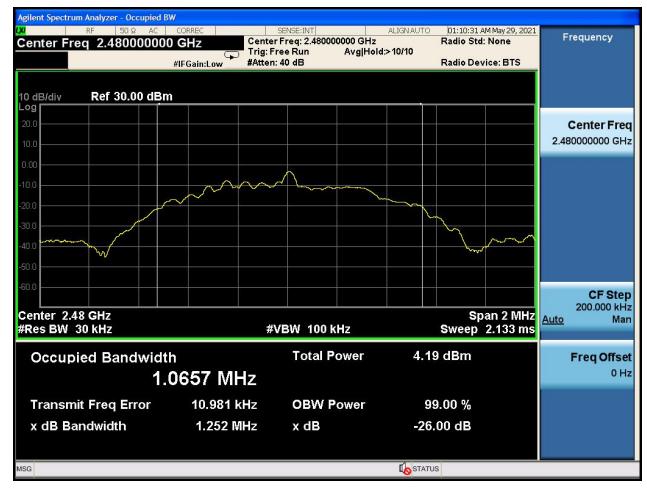
## Bluetooth LE Carrier frequency (MHz): 2402



## Bluetooth LE Carrier frequency (MHz): 2440



## Bluetooth LE Carrier frequency (MHz): 2480



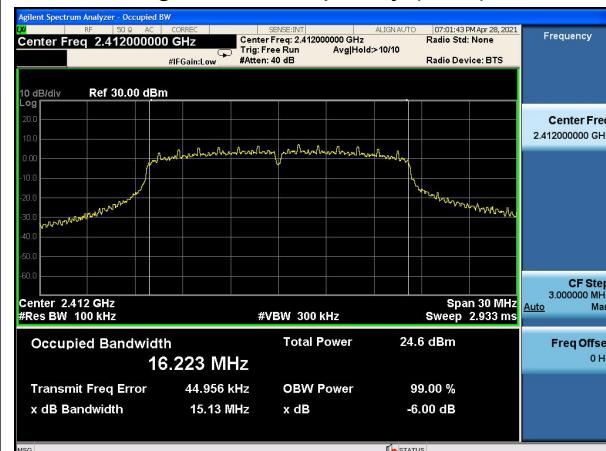


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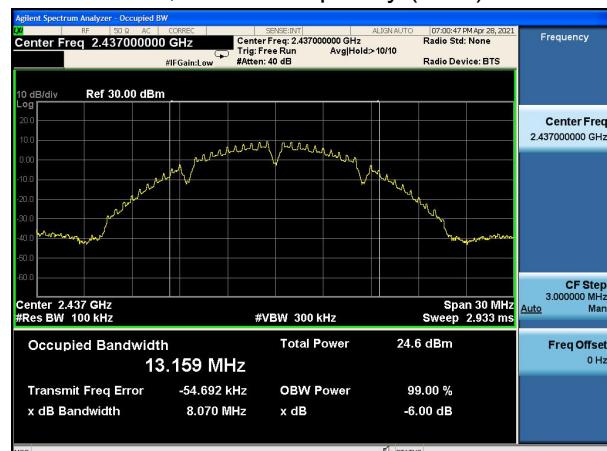
802.11b, Carrier frequency (MHz): 2412



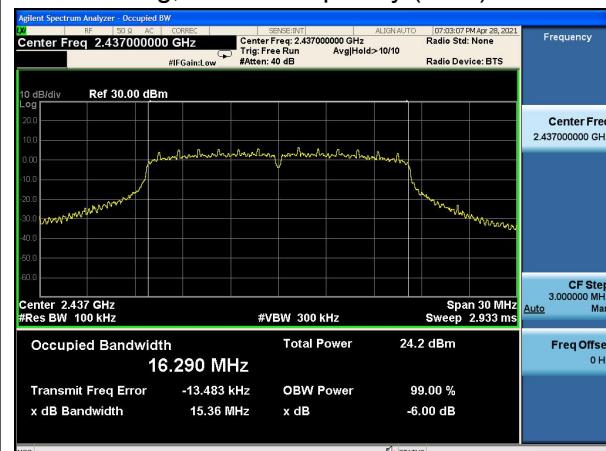
802.11g, Carrier frequency (MHz): 2412



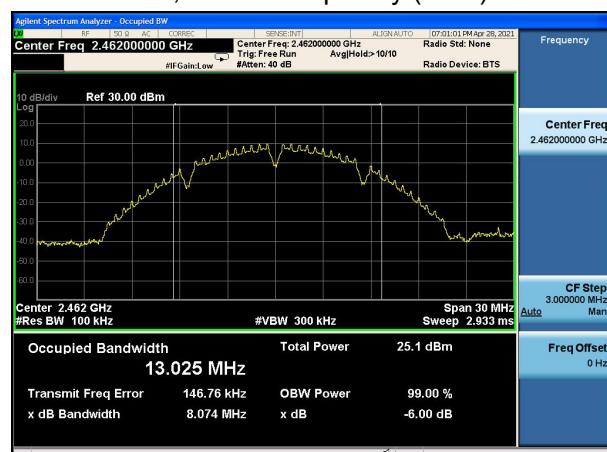
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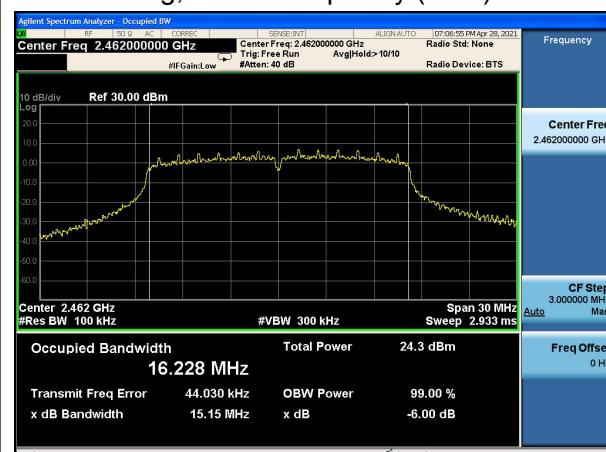
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802.11b, Carrier frequency (MHz): 2462



802.11g, Carrier frequency (MHz): 2462





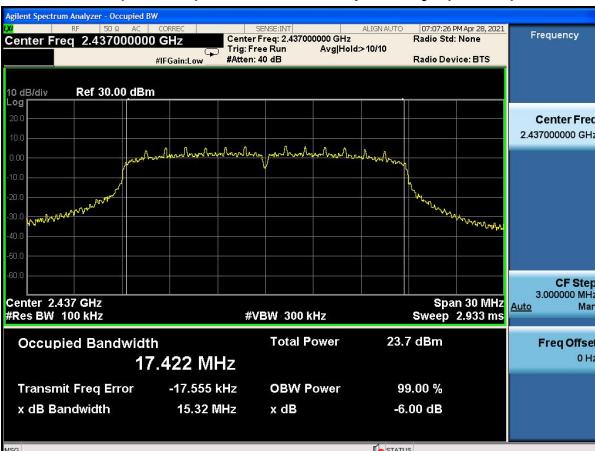
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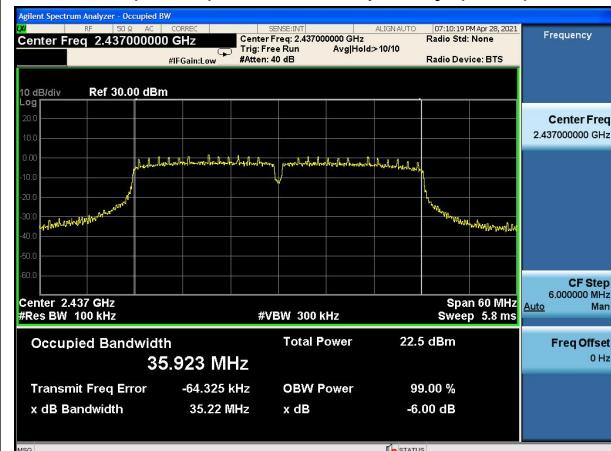
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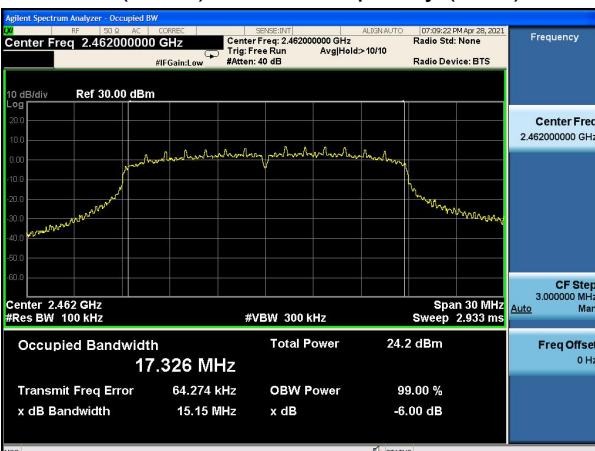
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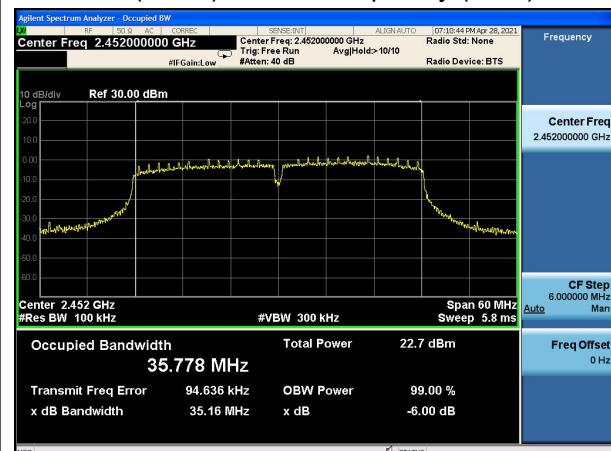
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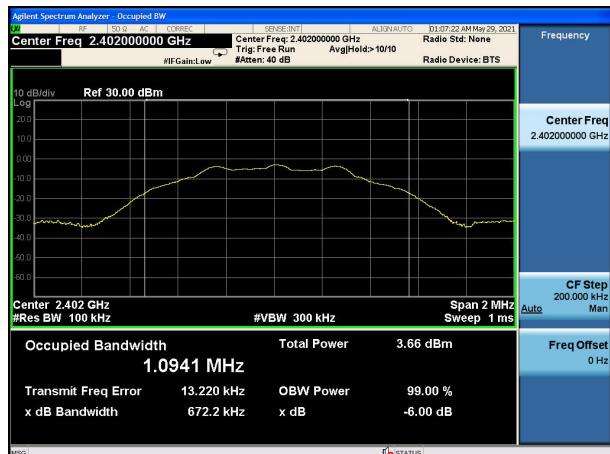
## 802.11n(HT20), Carrier frequency (MHz): 2462



## 802.11n(HT40), Carrier frequency (MHz): 2452



## Bluetooth LE Carrier frequency (MHz): 2402



## Bluetooth LE Carrier frequency (MHz): 2440



## Bluetooth LE Carrier frequency (MHz): 2480



### 5.3. Band Edge

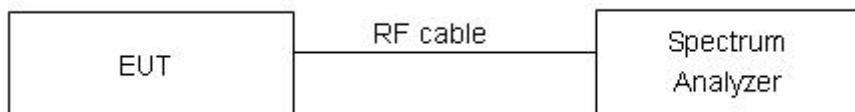
#### Ambient condition

Temperature	Relative humidity	Pressure
23°C ~25°C	45%~50%	101.5kPa

#### Method of Measurement

The EUT was connected to the spectrum analyzer through an external attenuator (20dB) and a known loss cable the band edge of the lowest and highest channels were measured. The peak detector is used and RBW is set to 100 kHz and VBW is set to 300 kHz on spectrum analyzer. Spectrum analyzer plots are included on the following pages.

#### Test Setup



#### Limits

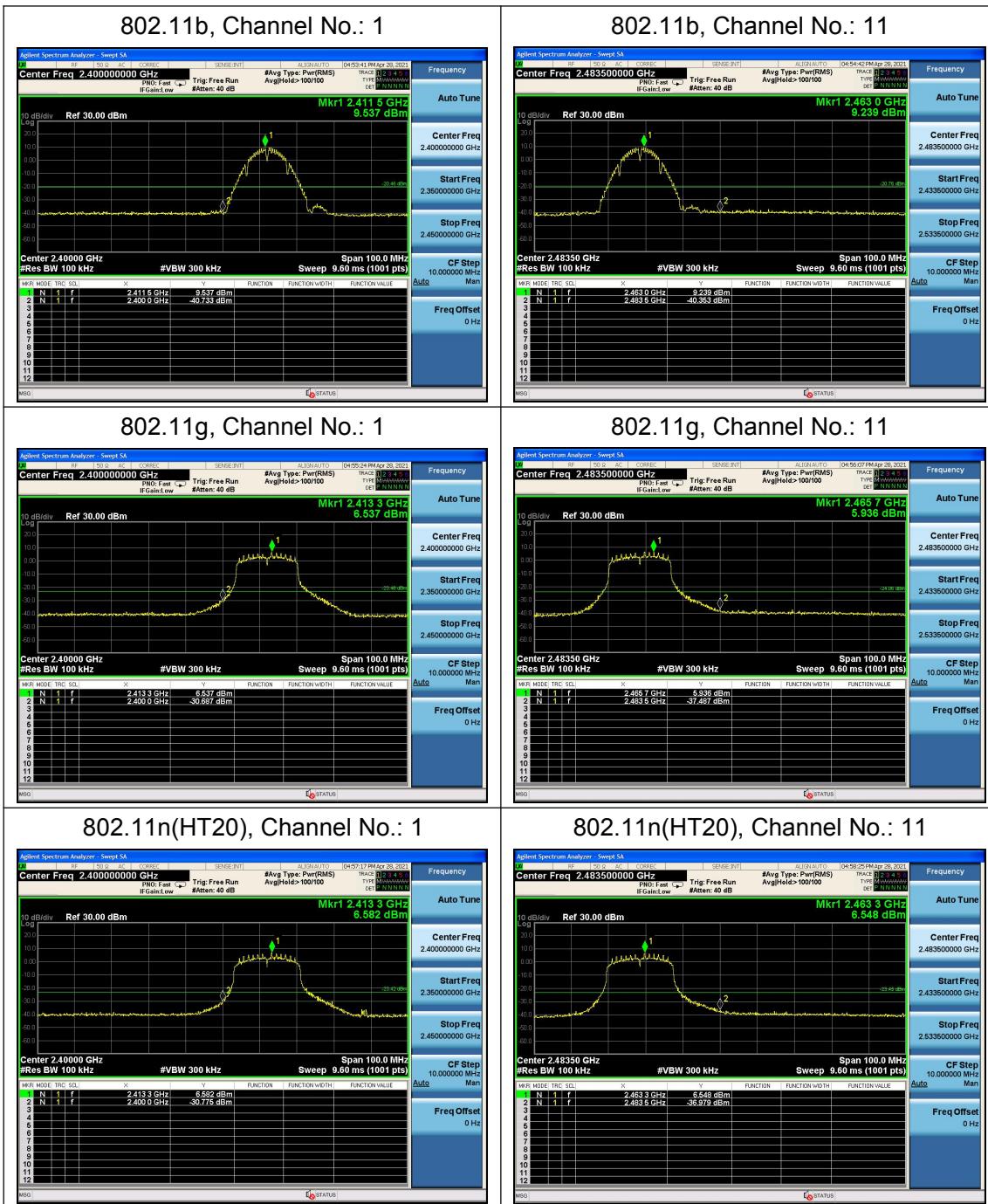
Rule Part 15.247(d) specifies that “In any 100 kHz bandwidth outside the frequency band in which the spread spectrum or digitally modulated intentional radiator is operating, the radio frequency power that is produced by the intentional radiator shall be at least 20 dB below that in the 100 kHz bandwidth within the band that contains the highest level of the desired power, based on either an RF conducted or a radiated measurement, provided the transmitter demonstrates compliance with the peak conducted power limits.” If the transmitter complies with the conducted power limits based on the use of RMS averaging over a time interval, as permitted under paragraph (b)(3) of this section, the attenuation required under this paragraph shall be 30 dB instead of 20 dB.”

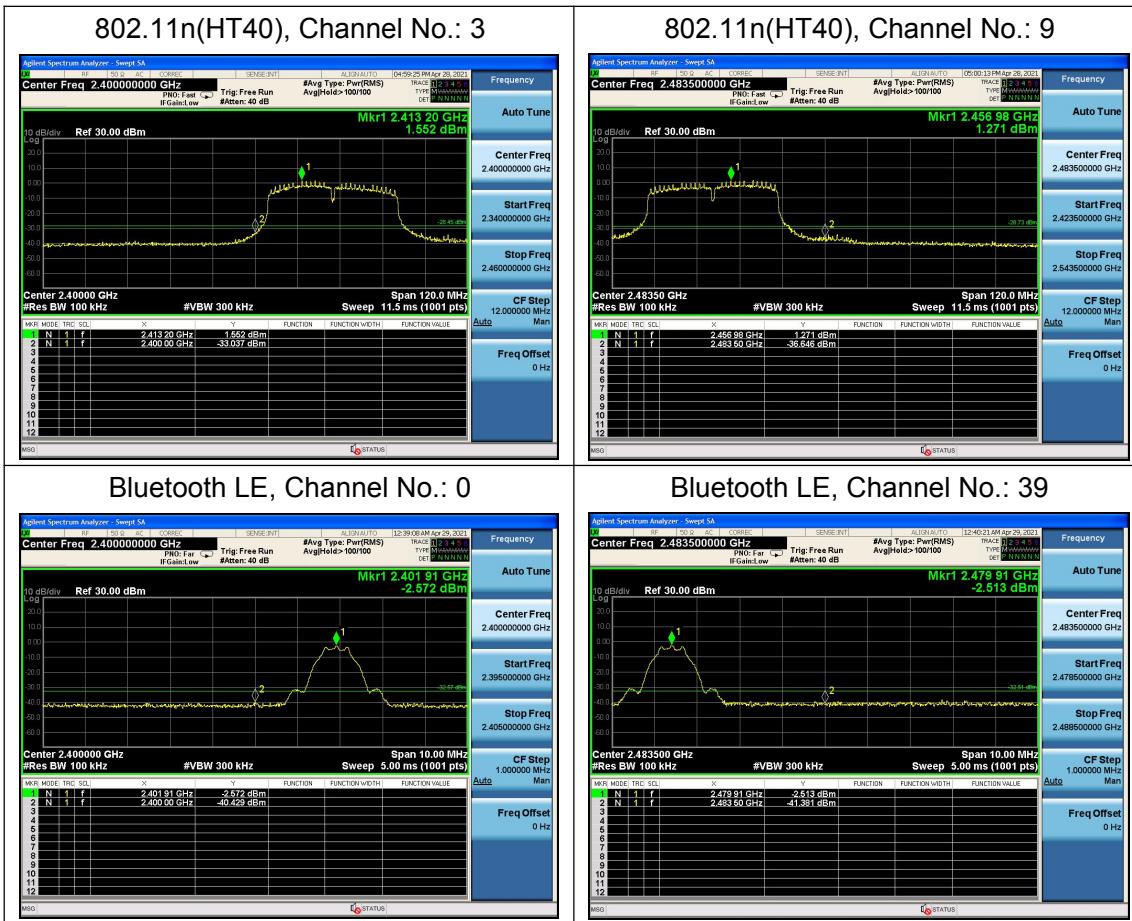
#### Measurement Uncertainty

The assessed measurement uncertainty to ensure 95% confidence level for the normal distribution is with the coverage factor  $k = 1.96$ .

Frequency	Uncertainty
2GHz-3GHz	1.407 dB

## Test Results: PASS







## 5.4. Power Spectral Density

### Ambient condition

Temperature	Relative humidity	Pressure
23°C ~25°C	45%~50%	101.5kPa

### Method of Measurement

During the process of the testing, The EUT was connected to Spectrum Analyzer with a known loss. The EUT is max power transmission with proper modulation.

Method AVGPSD-1 was used for this test.

- a) Set instrument center frequency to DTS channel center frequency
- b) Set span to at least 1.5 times the OBW
- c) Set RBW to:  $3\text{kHz} \leq \text{RBW} \leq 100\text{kHz}$
- d) Set VBW  $\geq [3 \times \text{RBW}]$
- e) Detector=power averaging(rms) or sample detector(when rms not available)
- f) Ensure that the number of measurement points in the sweep  $2[2 \times \text{span}/\text{RBW}]$
- g) Sweep time auto couple
- h) Employ trace averaging(rms) mode over a minimum of 100 traces
- i) Use the peak marker function to determine the maximum amplitude level.
- j) If the measured value exceeds requirement, then reduce RBW (but no less than 3 kHz) and repeat(note that this may require zooming in on the emission of interest and reducing the span to meet the minimum measurement point requirement as the RBW is reduced)

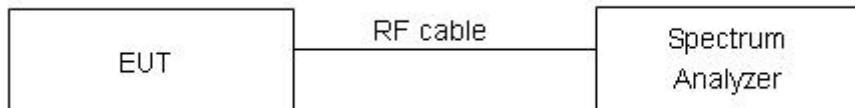
Method AVGPSD-2 was used for this test.

- a) Measure the duty cycle(D)of the transmitter output signal as described in 11.6
- b) Set instrument center frequency to DTS channel center frequency
- c) Set span to at least 1.5 times the OBW
- d) Set RBW to:  $3\text{kHz} \leq \text{RBW} \leq 100\text{kHz}$
- e) Set VBW  $\geq [3 \times \text{RBW}]$
- f) Detector= power averaging(rms) or sample detector (when rms not available)
- g) Ensure that the number of measurement points in the sweep  $2[2 \times \text{span}/\text{RBW}]$
- h) Sweep time =auto couple
- i) Do not use sweep triggering; allow sweep to "free run"
- j) Employ trace averaging(rms) mode over a minimum of 100 traces
- k) Use the peak marker function to determine the maximum amplitude level
- l) Add  $[10 \log(1/D)]$ , where D is the duty cycle measured in step a), to the measured PSD to

compute the average PSD during the actual transmission time

m) If measured value exceeds requirement specified by regulatory agency then reduce RBW(but o less than 3 kHz) and repeat(note that this may require zooming in on the emission of interest and reducing the span to meet the minimum measurement point requirement as the RBW is reduced)

### Test setup



### Limits

Rule Part 15.247(e) specifies that" For digitally modulated systems, the power spectral density conducted from the intentional radiator to the antenna shall not be greater than 8 dBm in any 3 kHz band during any time interval of continuous transmission. "

Limits	$\leq 8 \text{ dBm} / 3\text{kHz}$
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### Measurement Uncertainty

The assessed measurement uncertainty to ensure 95% confidence level for the normal distribution is with the coverage factor  $k = 2$ ,  $U = 0.75\text{dB}$ .

**Test Results:**

Test Mode	Channel Number	Read Value (dBm / 3kHz)	Power Spectral Density (dBm / 3kHz)	Limit (dBm / 3kHz)	Conclusion
802.11b	1	-14.52	-14.52	8	PASS
	6	-15.27	-15.27	8	PASS
	11	-14.56	-14.56	8	PASS
802.11g	1	-18.60	-18.23	8	PASS
	6	-19.31	-18.94	8	PASS
	11	-18.47	-18.10	8	PASS
802.11n HT20	1	-18.94	-18.70	8	PASS
	6	-20.08	-19.83	8	PASS
	11	-18.85	-18.61	8	PASS
802.11n HT40	3	-22.86	-22.41	8	PASS
	6	-23.69	-23.24	8	PASS
	9	-22.74	-22.29	8	PASS
Bluetooth (Low Energy)	0	-21.82	-19.93	8	PASS
	19	-20.56	-18.67	8	PASS
	39	-22.26	-20.37	8	PASS

Note: Power Spectral Density =Read Value+Duty cycle correction factor