

### APPLICATION BRIEF

### **5G New Radio Solutions**

5G New Radio (NR) is the 3GPP's response to the commercial challenges of enhanced Mobile Broadband (eMBB) gigabit-per-second bandwidths, ultrareliable and low-latency communications (uRLLC) for mission-critical applications and massive machine type communications (mMTC).

5G NR, 3GPP Rel-15, introduces key improvements on LTE, including:

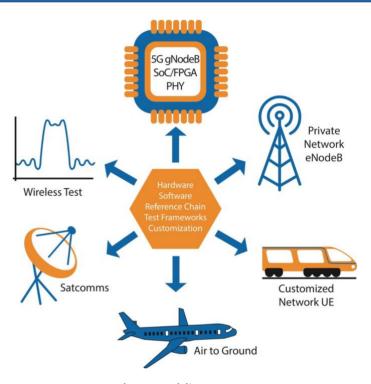
- More efficient modulation
- Waveform optimization
- Scalable numerology

### CommAgility Expertise for 5G RAN

CommAgility has over 10 years' experience of implementation and verification of 3GPP specifications to enable small cell and terminal product developers. Because 5G builds on the earlier LTE releases, we can leverage this vast and deep experience to deliver robust, flexible products from individual software blocks, as well as a full, production ready, 5G gNodeB reference design.

The capabilities and experience CommAgility brought to enabling successful commercial LTE small cell as well as private network deployments are





concentrated on enabling our customers to evolve their networks to 5G. For customers who have creative ideas to expand 5G capabilities, our engineers are ready to work with them to architect the optimal solution for maximum differentiation and performance.

## Hardware Platform Technologies

The computational complexity of 5G baseband solutions will require higher performance and more flexible hardware architectures.

Alongside RAN software development, CommAgility is developing a complementary range of hardware platforms, from board level to a complete, production ready gNodeB.

# **Technology Foundation for Multiple RAN Scenarios**

The foundation of our 5G portfolio is the 3GPP Rel-15 RefChain, which is a complete and bit-accurate non-real time PHY, including the algorithm development and validation associated with the 3GPP specifications. The RefChain is the foundation of a real-time physical layer for baseband SoCs.

In creating the RefChain, we have developed over 2,000 test vectors for physical layer and radio validation which can be applied to standard and customized gNodeB and UE test frameworks.

From this foundation, a real-time 3GPP Rel-

15/16 Physical Layer is developed. The modular architecture for our 5G PHY allows product developers flexibility for supporting any of the possible ORAN PHY-L/H section 7.x splits. Alternatively, combining the PHY with CommAgility's 5G NR Protocol Stack or a third-party stack supports creation of D-RAN products on customer or CommAgility hardware.

While CommAgility's integrated gNodeB solution will focus on Sub-6GHz, it also supports mmWave frequencies, when integrated with a suitable RF.

From the 5G NR NSA products, products will quickly evolve to supporting the 5G NR SA architecture ratified by 3GPP in 2019.

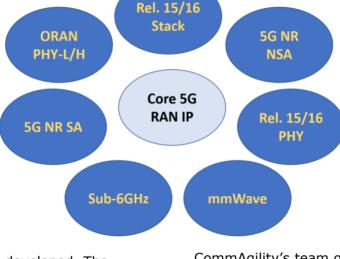
#### **5G Hardware Solutions**

As well as the core 5G NR software IP blocks, CommAgility provides production ready reference solutions with integrated and validated 5G software. CommAgility's 5G NR gNodeB is based on NXP Layerscape SoC for the Layers 2/3 of the Physical Layer to achieve optimum performance and cost.

The initial product version supports 5G Sub-6GHz NSA when paired with CommAgility's CA-K2L-RF2 ENB, an integrated and cost-effective 4G product for the anchor channel. Evolution to 5G StandAlone will be available in 2020.

As well as delivering 3GPP standards-compliant products,

CommAgility's team of highly experienced engineers are available to customize CommAgility's products to meet special requirements. Although 5G will ultimately expand to cover what today in 4G are customized products, only companies with deep wireless knowledge and capabilities can actually support customers to successful product deployment for niche applications.







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