# **Keysight Open RAN Simulators, Cloud Edition** 5.0.1

CuSIM

User Guide



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### CHAPTER 1

### **CuSIM** overview

In the 5G New Radio (NR) transport architecture, the original LTE BBU functions are split into three parts: Central Unit (CU), Distributed Unit (DU), and Radio Unit (RU). The 3GPP *Higher Layer Split* (HLS) refers to the CU/DU split (over the F1 interface) and the CU-UP/CU-CP split (over the E1 interface).

Keysight CuSIM is a cloud-native gNB Central Unit (CU) simulator that provides comprehensive support for testing the performance and functionality of your gNB Distributed Units (DUs) in a standalone (SA) network topology. It simulates user plane and control plane traffic flowing over the F1 interface from a simulated gNB-CU to your gNB-DU (the DUT), and it responds to traffic sent from your DUT to the simulated gNB-CU.

CuSIM also includes basic 5G-Core functionality to handle NAS Layer procedures without a 5G-Core simulation tool.

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### **CuSIM feature summary**

CuSIM runs on top of the Keysight Open RAN Simulators Cloud Edition (ORAN SIM CE) infrastructure, a cloud-native platform that enables multiple Keysight ORAN SIM CE products (CuSIM, DuSIM, CoreSIM, and LoadCore) to run in parallel. This test solution provides seamless integration on the same infrastructure as the Device Under Test (DUT), sharing the same look-and-feel and functionality across all products. The Keysight ORAN SIM CE platform can accommodate various cloud types—public and private—via the deployment of containers or complete Virtual Machines (VMs).

#### CuSIM feature summary:

- Supports testing in 5G SA networks.
- Features a web-based user interface (UI) through which you manage all aspects of your CuSIM testing environment, including test creation, execution, and management; traffic agent deployment and management; statistical results and reporting; and user and license administrative control.
- Traffic agents generate traffic over the F1-U (user plane) and F1-C (control plane) interfaces. The agents are implemented as containers or virtual machines, depending upon the platform on which they are deployed. The supported platforms include:
  - private clouds: VMware ESXi 6.5 and ESXi 6.7
- Supports multi-thread control plane process flows.
- Provides extensive control plane and user plan statistics coverage.
- Provides support for script-based impairments (Python scripts).

### **UI** overview

The Keysight Open RAN Simulators Cloud Edition web UI provides access to all of the tools, functions, and options that are needed to create, run, and manage tests; to view, analyze, and manage test results; to respond to system events; and to administer your Open RAN Simulators Cloud Edition instance.

The major elements of the CuSIM UI are:

- Dashboard page below
- · Title bar and tool bars on the facing page
- · Test Overview page on the facing page
- Configuration properties pages on the facing page
- Statistics page on page 10

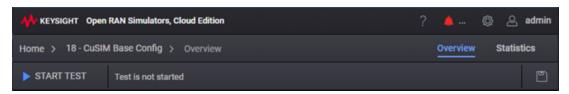
#### Dashboard page

After you successfully log in, the Dashboard page opens. From this page, you can create new tests, access other test sessions (each test session tile displays the test name and status), browse among and manage previously run tests, and browse among and access test results from previously run tests. You can navigate to the other Open RAN Simulators Cloud Edition pages to view and customize test setups, view real-time statistics, view and export test results, view events, logs, and other application and test-specific information.

You can return to the Dashboard at any time by clicking **Home** from the tool bar.

#### Title bar and tool bars

The Open RAN Simulators Cloud Edition UI presents a title bar at the top of the window and one or two tool bars underneath it. The presence of, and composition of, these bars dynamically changes based on your current actions.

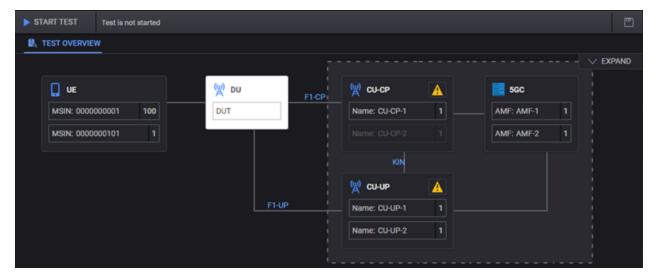


In addition to the information in this topic, refer to these topics for more information about the available tools and functions:

- CuSIM title bar settings on page 115
- Save test sessions on page 98

#### **Test Overview page**

When you open or create a test session based on any predefined, newly-created, or imported test configuration, CuSIM opens the **Test Overview** page (which you can collapse or expand as needed) on which you can view a summary of the test configuration and a visual representation of the test topology.



The test topology is an interactive graphical representation of the test network. From the topology, you access all of the configurable elements for the current test. These include the DUT (your gNB-DU), the CU (which is represented as a CU-CP node and a CU-UP node), the 5G core, and the user endpoints (UEs).

#### Configuration properties pages

You use a number of properties pages as you configure a test. They are presented as a series of cascading panels that reveal successively detailed settings for the elements in your test

configuration.

### **Statistics page**

Real-time statistics are immediately available while a test is running and can be accessed for tests that were previously run. The statistics page will contain multiple panels that display graphical or textual test run statistics. You can select from among the various tabs to view specific categories of statistics, including F1 procedure rates, RRC procedure rates, NAS procedure rates, user plane throughput rates, among others.

Open RAN Simulators Cloud Edition presents a default statistics dashboard, which is based on Grafana. You can change the dashboard to accommodate your own needs and select from many Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) that the agent exposes towards the middleware.

### CHAPTER 2

### **Initial administrator login**

This chapter describes the actions that are required the first time you log in to CuSIM as the application administrator, following deployment.

- · Required information below
- · Initial login and password change below
- Activate licenses using License Manager on the next page
- Configure the License Server on the next page
- · Create regular user accounts on page 13

#### **Required information**

- The IP address that you set for the CuSIM web interface during deployment.
- · The IP address of the license server.

The license server is shipped as a separate .ova file. After deploying the .ova file, you can access it using a web browser.

• Your CuSIM license activation codes (or entitlement codes).

#### Initial login and password change

CuSIM provides a default administrator account, and you will use that account on your initial login and for subsequent administrative tasks.

To log in as the administrator:

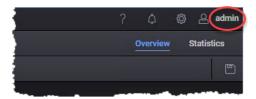
- 1. Enter the IP address of your deployed CuSIM instance in your browser's address field. CuSIM opens the Keysight login page.
- 2. Enter the default administrator login credentials:

user ID: adminpassword: admin

3. Click Login.

Because this is the initial login, CuSIM requires that you change the password for the admin account.

- 4. Review and accept the Keysight Software End User License Agreement.
- 5. Change the default **admin** user password:
  - a. Click your account name (*admin*) in the Keysight Open RAN Simulators, Cloud Edition 5.0.1 title bar.



Keysight Open RAN Simulators, Cloud Edition 5.0.1 opens the **Edit Account** page in a new browser tab.

- b. Click **Password** in the navigation pane.
- c. Enter the current password and your new password.
- d. Click Save.

#### Next steps:

- Activate licenses
- · Configure your license server
- · Create user accounts

#### **Activate licenses using License Manager**

Once you have completed the initial admin login, you need to activate the licenses for this CuSIM deployment.

To activate your licenses:

- 1. Select **Licensing** from the setup menu (\*).
- 2. Select **License Manager** from the **Licensing** menu. CuSIM opens the **License Manager** page.
- 3. To activate your licenses:
  - a. Select **Activate licenses**.
    - CuSIM opens the **Activate Licenses** dialog.
  - b. Enter your license data in the dialog box.
    - You can use either activation codes or entitlement codes (one or more ).
  - c. Select **Load Data**, indicate the number of licenses you want to activate, then click **Activate**.

Your new licenses—which should now be listed in the **License Manager** page—are now available for running tests.

### **Configure the License Server**

If you are using an external License server, then you need to select and configure your license provider:

- Select Applications Settings from the setup menu (.).
   CuSIM opens the Application Settings dialog.
- 2. Select your **License Provider** from the drop-down list.
- 3. Enter the License Server IP address (see Required information on the previous page, above).
- 4. Click Update.

### Create regular user accounts

Before you and other members of your organization start building and running tests, it is recommended that you—logged in as the administrator—create a *regular user account* for each individual (including yourself). A *regular user* can create, manage, and run tests, but cannot perform access control functions (such as creating and managing user accounts). Further, it is recommended that you use the admin account only for administrative activities.

Refer to Manage CuSIM users on page 112 for detailed information about user account management.

#### CHAPTER 3

### **User login and logout**

Once the CuSIM application administrator has created user accounts for the individuals who will use CuSIM, those users can access the system and start to use its services.

### Log in as a regular user

The user accounts that the CuSIM application administrator creates are known as regular user accounts. A *regular user* can create, manage, and run tests, but cannot perform access control functions (such as creating and managing user accounts).

- 1. Enter the CuSIM IP address in your browser's URL address field.
- 2. Press **Enter** to access the Keysight **Login** window.
- 3. Enter your Keysight Open RAN Simulators, Cloud Edition 5.0.1 username and password, then click **Login**.
- 4. If you are logging in for the first time, you may be required to change your password:
  - a. Enter your **New Password**.
  - b. Enter the password again in the **Confirm Password** field.
  - c. Click Submit.

Upon successful login, CuSIM opens the dashboard.

#### Log out

To log out of CuSIM, go to **User Account** ( ) on the title menu and select **Log Out** .

### CHAPTER 4

### **Build and run a test**

This chapter describes the sequence of actions needed to build and run a new CuSIM test.

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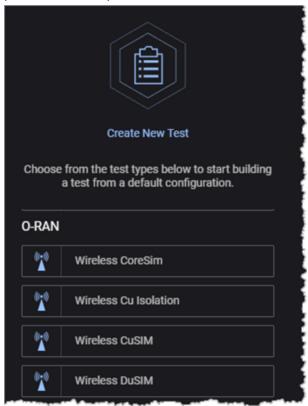
### Step 1: Create a new test config

The first step in building a new test is to create a new config:

- Create a config based on a template below
- Create a new config based on an existing config on the facing page

### Create a config based on a template

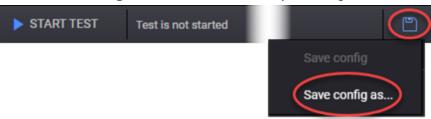
- 1. Log in to CuSIM.
- 2. In the Dashboard page, select the **Wireless CuSIM** template from the **Create New Test** panel. For example:



CuSIM opens the **Test Overview** page, which includes the graphical representation of the test topology. By default, SA topology is activated. You need to select NSA or CU-Simulated node for another network topology.

CuSIM assigns a session number and temporary name to the test, and displays that information in the title bar. For example:

- 3. Assign a name to your new test config:
  - a. Select **Save config as...** from the disk icon (on the right side of the toolbar).



CuSIM opens the **Save config as** dialog.

b. Enter a name for the config, then click **Save As**.

The new test config is immediately available.



The terms *test config* and *test session* are not entirely synonymous. A "config" refers to a configuration definition file (JSON format), whereas a "session" is an instance of that file that is loaded in memory and is capable of being run. Refer to <u>Manage and use test sessions on page 97</u> for detailed information about managing config files and sessions.

### Create a new config based on an existing config

Rather than creating a new config based on one of the CuSIM templates, you can create a config based on an existing test config. The only difference is that (in step 2 in the procedure shown above) you will select a test config from the **Browse Configs** panel, and that will be the source for your new config.



When planning the tests that you intend to run, you may want to create one or more "starter" configs of your own, rather than starting with a Keysight Open RAN Simulators, Cloud Edition 5.0.1 template. In effect, you can create private templates that are pre-populated with configuration values that you will typically use in your testing.

### **Step 2: Configure Global Settings**

Global Settings provide access to configuration properties that are applicable at the test level (versus the node or UE level).

To configure the Global Settings:

- 1. Navigate to the **Test Overview** wndow.
- 2. Click **Expand** if the Test Overview section is collapsed.
- 3. Click the **Edit**  $(\mathcal{O})$  button on the Global Settings section to open the **Global Settings** panel.
- 4. Configure the settings that you will need in your test.

  Many of these settings are important for the proper execution of your tests and for establishing the parameters that control logging, captures, and statistics collection.

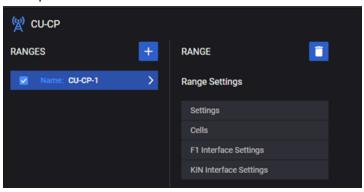
Refer to Global Settings on page 28 for a description of all of the settings.

### **Step 3: Configure CU-CP test nodes**

The CuSIM test topology includes a representation of the simulated CU nodes in your test configuration. Each CU node is structured as two units: CU-CP and CU-UP.

To configure and manage CU-CP nodes for your test:

- Select CU-CP from the topology window.
   CuSIM opens the CU-CP RANGES panel. A new test will have one CU-CP range; you can add additional ranges.
- 2. Select the name of a range (such as CU-CP-1) to access the configuration settings. For example:



3. Configure each of the settings, which are described in gNB CU-CP configuration settings.

### **Step 4: Configure CU-UP test nodes**

The CuSIM test topology includes a representation of the simulated CU nodes in your test configuration. Each CU node is structured as two units: CU-CP and CU-UP.

#### **About CU-UP ranges**

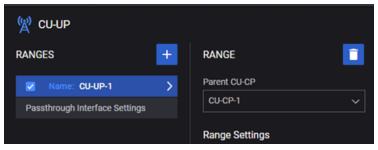
CuSIM manages CU-UP ranges as follows:

- CuSIM automatically creates one CU-UP range for each CU-CP range that you configure in the test.
- If you delete a CU-CP range, CuSIM automatically deletes the corresponding CU-UP range.
- Although you cannot directly delete a CU-UP range, you can deselect a range for the test session. When you deselect a CU-UP range, CuSIM does not deselect the corresponding CU-CP range.

### **How to configure CU-UP nodes**

To configure and manage **CU-UP** nodes for your test:

- Select CU-UP from the topology window. CuSIM opens the CU-UP RANGES panel.
- 2. Select the name of a range (such as CU-UP-1) to access the configuration settings. For example:

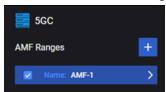


- 3. Configure each of the settings, which are described in CU-UP Range settings on page 65.
- 4. To select or deselect a range for the rest:
  - a. Return to the CU-UP RANGES panel.
  - b. Select the **Select** check box to toggle the range between *Selected* and *Deselected*, as required.
- 5. To configure a passthrough interface in a test, refer to <u>Passthrough interface configuration on</u> page 70.

# **Step 5: Configure 5G Core Settings**

The CuSIM test topology includes a representation of the simulated 5G Core/AMF information in your test configuration.

- 1. Select AMF from the topology window. CuSIM opens the 5GC AMF RANGES panel.
- 2. Select the name of a range (such as AMF-1) to access the configuration settings. For example:

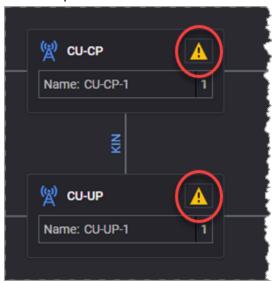


3. Configure each of the settings, which are described in AMF Range panel on page 74.

### Step 6: Assign agents to the CU test nodes

You cannot run a CuSIM test until you have assigned agents to all of the test nodes. To assign an agent to a node:

1. In the topology window, select the traffic agent icon on the top right corner of the node. For example:



The icon that represents the agent can be any of the following:



No agents are assigned to the node.



One or more agents are assigned.

CuSIM opens the **Agents Assignment** window, which presents a list of agents. If the list has no filters set, then all agents are listed.

- 2. Assign specific agents or all available agents to the node:
  - To assign specific agents (one or more) to the node, select the check-box next to the agent's IP address.
  - To assign all available agents to the node, select the **Select Agent** check-box (located in the table header).

Note that you can display the agent ID by hovering over the IP address.

- 3. Select the F1, KIN, and Passthrough Device **Connections** as required.
- 4. Click Update.

#### **Agent Assignments window**

The following table describes the content of each column displayed on the **Agents Assignment** window.

Column	Description
Owner	Hover over the <b>Owner</b> icon to see the current agent ownership and status, which

Column	Description
	<ul> <li>will be one of the following:</li> <li>The agent is owned by the user whose email address is listed. In this case, the agent is not available for assignment.</li> <li>The agent is offline. In this case, the agent is not available for assignment.</li> <li>The agent is available for assignment.</li> </ul>
Select Agent	Use the check box next to the IP address to select that agent for assignment.  You can also select all available agents by selecting the <b>Select Agent</b> check box (in the table header).
Tags	This column displays the tags associated with each agent. Each tag indicates the number of agents to which it is associated.  Refer to About traffic agents on page 43 for more information about tags.
Connections	The table displays the available interface and the MAC address for each wireless connection. The interface can be selected from the drop-down list.  NOTE  For the CuSIM nodes that have multiple interfaces, for each interface, you can change the interface type using the drill-down option.
NOTE	From the <b>Agents Assignment</b> window you can select other nodes from the list and configure the agents for those nodes also. In this way, you can configure agents for all your test nodes at the same time.

See also, Assign and manage agents on page 42.

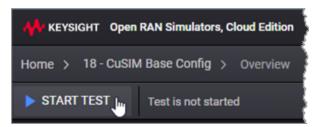
### **Step 7: Configure UEs**

To configure one or more ranges of mobile UE definitions for a test:

- 1. Select  ${f UE}$  from the CuSIM topology window.
  - CuSIM opens the top-level (leftmost) UE properties window.
- 2. From the UE panel, click a **UE** range to open its properties panel. (Each range is identified by the MSIN assigned to the first UE in the range.)
  - CuSIM opens the **RANGE** for the selected MSIN.
- 3. Configure the UE settings. The configuration tasks for each range include:
  - a. Specify the number of UEs to create for the range (the *Range Count* setting).
  - b. Configure the detailed settings, which include Identity settings and Security Settings of the range. See UE configuration settings on page 76 for detailed descriptions.
  - c. Configure **Objectives** for the range:
    - i. In the RANGE panel, in the Objectives section, select Control Plane. Configure Test Duration per UE range. If there are multiple UE ranges in a test, it will be stopped based on the maximum specified duration value.
    - ii. In the **RANGE** panel, in the **Objectives** section, select **User Plane**. CuSIM opens the **User Plane** panel.
    - iii. Add each **Application Traffic** type that you need for the UE range. See <u>UE Test</u> <u>Objective settings on page 87</u> for a description of the properties that you can configure for each of the traffic types.
- 4. To add and configure additional UE ranges:
  - a. Return to the UE panel.
  - b. Click the **Add Range** button.
  - c. Configure the settings for the new range.
- 5. To select or deselect a range for the test:
  - a. Return to the **UE** panel.
  - b. Click the **Select** check box to toggle the range between *Selected* and *Deselected*, as required.
- 6. To delete a UE range:
  - a. Select the range from the **UE** panel.
    - CuSIM opens that UE RANGE panel.
  - b. Click the **Delete Range** button. CuSIM deletes the range from your test config.

### Step 8: Start the test

Once you have configured all the properties needed for your test, click the **START TEST** button.



Once you start a test, the CuSIM tool bar displays the test status throughout its execution progress. In addition, each test session tile (located on the CuSIM Dashboard) displays that test's name and current status. The test status will be one of the following:

- **Test is not started**: The test session is created, the test configuration is loaded, but the test has not yet been started.
- **Test is initializing**: After clicking the **START TEST** button on the test progress bar, the initializing state is displayed on the progress bar and the test session tile. During this phase the hardware resources are allocated and the test is prepared for starting.
- **Test is configuring**: During this stage, the configuration is applied to the test.
- **Test is running**: During this stage, the nodes are connected, test iterations start one-by-one based on the configured parameters, traffic flows are connected, and traffic generation begins.
- **Test is stopping**: During this stage, traffic stops, traffic flows disconnect, logs are collected, ports are released, and the hardware disconnects.
- **Test is stopped**: The test is no longer running.

CuSIM will display a message in the tool bar if it cannot successfully initialize the test.

Once the test initialization and configuration phases have been successfully completed, CuSIM will:

- Start generating traffic (user plane and control plane).
- Display the **STOP TEST** button in the tool bar.
- Open the STATISTICS page.

The estimated total time it takes the test to complete and the current run time are also displayed on the progress bar.

If for any reason you want to stop the test before it completes, select the **STOP TEST** button on the progress bar. CuSIM will perform a graceful shutdown of the test, assuming that you have enabled the **Graceful Shutdown Enabled** option in the **Global Settings** window (one of the **Session Settings**).

### **Step 9: View real-time test results**

When you successfully start a test, CuSIM immediately displays the **STATISTICS** page, where you can view real time statistics.

The specific groups of statistics that are collected depend upon several factors, including:

- The types of traffic that you have chosen in your Objectives settings.
- Whether or not you have selected Enable User Plane Advanced Stats in the Global Settings (one of the Advanced Settings).
- The procedural call flows that you have established in the Test Suites defined for the test.

### Statistics page

The **Statistics** page has several panels, which can be dragged and dropped and rearranged on the dashboard. They can also duplicated or removed, and there are a wide variety of formatting options for each panel. Inspecting a panel allows you to view or download results as CSV, JSON, Query, or just as a list of Stats.

NOTE

Open RAN Simulators Cloud Edition presents a default statistics dashboard, which is based on Grafana. You can change the dashboard to accommodate your own needs and select from many Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) that the agent exposes towards the middleware.

### Statistics groupings

The statistics are organized into groups, which include Overview, Application Traffic, and Agent Statistics

#### Overview statistics include:

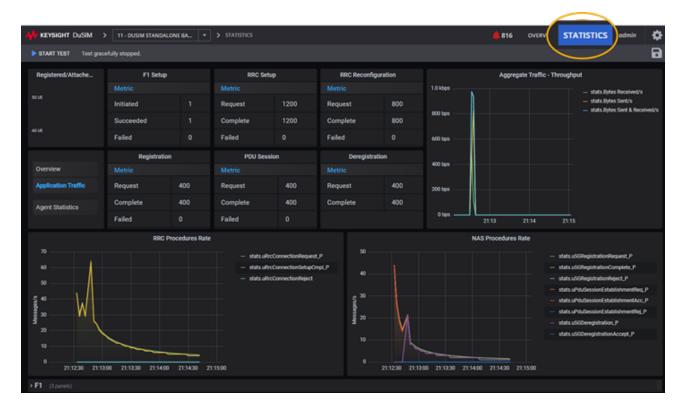
- F1 Setup: number of procedures initiated, succeeded, and failed.
- RRC Setup: number of procedures initiated, succeeded, and failed.
- RRC Reconfiguration: number of procedures initiated, succeeded, and failed.
- Registration: number of procedures initiated, succeeded, and failed.
- PDU Session: number of procedures initiated, succeeded, and failed.
- Deregistration: number of procedures initiated, succeeded, and failed.
- Aggregate Traffic Throughput: number of bytes sent and received per second.
- RRC Procedure Rate: number of RRC connections requested, completed, and rejected per second
- NAS Procedure Rate: number of NAS registrations and deregistrations requested, completed, and rejected per second; number of PDU session establishment requests made, accepted, and rejected.

### **Application Traffic statistics** include:

- DU user plane Throughput Distribution: current and percentage BPS, per protocol.
- User Plane Throughput: DU user plane traffic, L2-3 Device Tx Traffic, L2-3 Device Rx Traffic (kbps).
- Application traffic detailed statistics, per protocol (TCP, GTPu, and so forth).

The **Agent statistics** display agent CPU and memory usage data.

### **Statistics page example**



### CHAPTER 5

### **Global Settings**

The Global Settings are a list of parameters that have overall applicability to CuSIM tests and can be used to define resources or limits for nodes and UEs. It is recommended that you configure the Global Settings before proceeding with the node or the UE configurations of your test.

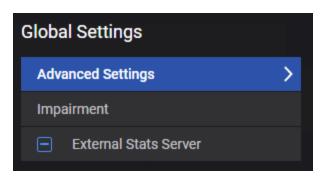
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# **Access Global Settings**

To access the **Global Settings** page, do the following:

- 1. Select the **Test Overview** tab.
- 2. Click **Expand** if the **Test Overview** section is collapsed.
- 3. Click the **Edit** button on the Global Settings section.
  - This opens the **Global Settings** panel.



# **Advanced Settings**

The following Global settings are available from the Advanced Settings panel:

- Advanced Settings below
- Logging Settings on the next page
- Traffic Settings

### **Advanced Settings**

The Advanced Settings include the following:

Setting	Description
Overwrite Capture Size	Enable this option to overwrite the capture size for IxStack.
Custom Capture Size	This option becomes available only when <i>Overwrite Capture Size</i> is enabled. It allows you to set the custom value of the capture size for IxStack.
Enable Capture Circular Buffer for IxStack	Select this option to enable circular buffer capture for IxStack.
Enable Control Plane Advanced Stats	Select this option to enable control plane latency statistics.
Enable User Plane Advanced Stats	Select an option from the drill-down list for the user plane advanced statistics:
	None - no advanced statistics enabled.
	<ul> <li>One Way Delay - the time spent by the packet on the network from the moment it is sent until it is received.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Delay Variation Jitter - the per polling interval average delay variation jitter value calculated for all packets.</li> </ul>
Automated Polling Interval	This option is enabled by default. The statistics are retrieved based on a predefined polling interval.
Custom Polling Interval (sec)	This option becomes available only when <i>Automated Polling Interval</i> option is disabled.
	It allows you to set a custom polling interval.
Ignore offline Agents at Runtime	When enabled, if an agent losses connection to the Middleware during a test, the test will not stop, but continue without that agent.

### **Logging Settings**

The Logging Settings are accessed from the Advanced Settings Panel. The following tables describe log level and log components settings:

### Agent:

Setting	Description
Log level	Select one of the options:
	<ul> <li>Info - Designates informational messages that highlight the progress of the application at coarse-grained level.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Debug - Designates fine-grained informational events that are most useful for debugging the application.</li> </ul>
Log Tags	Log Tags are used to collect specific information in the logs; they work with Debug and with Info log levels. Rather than allowing the logs to collect information about everything, you can use Log Tags to collect specific information—such as SCTP or HTTP messages—during the test. This limits the amount of information that is collected, making it easier for you to extract the data that you need.  Select one or more tags from the drop-down list.

### **GTPU:**

Setting	Description
Log level	Select one of the options:
	<ul> <li>Critical - Designates messages indicating that a major error has occurred that impacts system stability.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Error - Designates messages indicating that an error has occurred that impacts application stability.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Warning - Designates messages indicating that an error has occurred that potentially impacts application stability.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Info - Designates informational messages that highlight the progress of the application at coarse-grained level.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Debug - Designates fine-grained informational events that are most useful for debugging the application.</li> </ul>
Log Components	These are different protocol pieces, or subcomponents, of the GPRS Tunnelling Protocol GTP overall functionality. This limits the amount of information that is collected, making it easier for you to extract the data that you need, as it does not log full packets that are received, but logs different events which helps in debugging on the selected component.
	Select one or more components from the drop-down list.
Log Frame Components	This option logs actual packets on the wire as the GPRS Tunnelling Protocol processes it, so here you can select which packet you want to log, like: Uplink packet, Downlink packet, ARP packet, etc.

Setting	Description	
	Select one or more components from the drop-down list.	

### **Control Plane PDCP:**

Setting	Description	
Log level	Select one of the options:	
	<ul> <li>Critical - Designates messages indicating that a major error has occurred that impacts system stability.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Error - Designates messages indicating that an error has occurred that impacts application stability.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Warning - Designates messages indicating that an error has occurred that potentially impacts application stability.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Info - Designates informational messages that highlight the progress of the application at coarse-grained level.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Debug - Designates informational messages that highlight the progress of the application at coarse-grained level.</li> </ul>	
Log Components	These are different protocol pieces, or subcomponents of the Packet Data Convergence Protocol overall functionality. This limits the amount of information that is collected, making it easier for you to extract the data that you need, as it does not log full packets that are received, but logs different events which helps in debugging on the selected component.	
	Select one or more components from the drop-down list.	

### **User Plane PDCP:**

Setting	Description		
Log level	Select one of the options:		
	<ul> <li>Critical - Designates messages indicating that a major error has occurred that impacts system stability.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Error - Designates messages indicating that an error has occurred that impacts application stability.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Warning - Designates messages indicating that an error has occurred that potentially impacts application stability.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Info - Designates informational messages that highlight the progress of the application at coarse-grained level.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Debug - Designates fine-grained informational events that are most useful for debugging the application.</li> </ul>		
Log Components	These are different protocol pieces, or subcomponents of the Packet Data Convergence Protocol (PDCP) overall functionality. This limits the amount of information that is collected, making it easier for you to extract the data that you need, as it does not log full packets that are received, but logs different events		

Setting	Description	
	which helps in debugging on the selected component.	
	Select one or more components from the drop-down list.	

### **Traffic Settings**

The following table describes the settings on the Traffic Settings panel:

Setting	Description		
GTPU Source Port:			
Start	The starting source port number. This value is incremented by 1 for each GTP-U source port that is configured.		
Count	The number of GTP-U source ports required.		
Reserved cores for RTP Tx:			
Enable RTP	Select this option to enable Real-time Transport Protocol (RTP).		
Cores	The number of cores reserved for RTP transmission.		
Enable Jumbo Frame	Enable this option if your test traffic requires the use of jumbo frames (Ethernet frames with more than 1500 bytes of payload).  When you enable this option, the you can configure any of the MTU parameters in		
	the test to any valid jumbo frame size (up to 9,000 bytes).		

### **External Stats Server**

If this option is selected, it will allow you to add an external statistic server.

The following table describes the settings required for the External Stats Server configuration.

Setting	Description	
External Stats Server:		
Profile	This parameter allows you to upload or remove a stats server profile. Press <b>Upload</b> and load the preferred server profile, or <b>Clear</b> to dismiss one that is set.	
Server Address	The address of the external stats server.	

### **Setting up a Profile**

The External Stats Server feature allows you to forward statistic logs to an external server, thus requiring to upload a profile that defines where the stats are stored and what stats should be transferred.

### IMPORTANT

This feature is designed to support any type of external entity, but currently it supports only the Apache Kafka Plugin.

The parameters required to create the request to the external entity are configured in the **Profile** JSON file that is uploaded to Keysight Open RAN Simulators, Cloud Edition 5.0.1. The following structure and parameters describe the standard content of the JSON file:

Section/ Parameter	Definition	Code Sample
Input section		tats/config parameters used in the profile. All the parameters are able in CuSIM. the following types are supported:
stat	It can be any stat supported in CuSIM. The stats can be filtered by any other stat from the stat response.	<pre>With filter sample:  {     "type": "stat",     "group": "AgentStatistics",     "stat": "CPU Percent",     "name": "cpu_percent1",     "filterBy": {         "stat": "agentIP",         "value":"10.38.158.83"     } }</pre>
		<pre>Without filter sample:  {     "type": "stat",     "group": "Fullcoreoverview_RegisteredAttachedUE",     "stat": "UEs Registered",     "name": "no_of_UE_Registered" }</pre>
config	It can be any parameter exposed in the UI. The path is the same as the one used by the UI to set/get a parameter (see Parameter sample path on the next page	<pre>{     "type": "config",     "group": "config/nodes/ausf/ranges/1/nodeSettings",     "stat": "mcc",     "name": "mcc" }</pre>

Section/ Parameter	Definition	Code Sample
	image).	
Mappings section		use any input parameter referred by name. Mapping also supports l expressions to combine stats.
	For example, CuSIM exposes stat1 and stat2 but the user needs user_statwhich comprises (stat1 + stat2) /100. The expression is evaluated and the result sent under user_stat name.	<ul><li>one parameter sample:</li><li>{     "type":"controlplane",     "from": "no_of_UE_Registered",     "to": "no_of_UE_Registered" }</li></ul>
		<pre>OR {     "type":"controlplane",     "from": "mcc",     "to": "MCC" }</pre>
		with mathematical expression:
		<pre>{     "type":"controlplane",     "from": "cpu_percent1/(cpu_percent1 + cpu_ percent2)",     "to": "agent1 cpu ratio" }</pre>

### Parameter sample path

### Sample profile

```
{
    "profile": {
        "type": "kafka",
        "3gpp scenario": "QUIC ABR DEBUG",
        "event_type": "ATTS-TOOLS-KEYSIGHT-EVENT",
        "specversion": "1.1",
        "kafkatopics": "com.att.ant.stage.ATTSKeysight.1.0",
        "kafkaschemaUrl":
"https%3A%2F%2Fcl001.eastus2.uat.iebus.3pc.att.com%3A8082%2Fschemas%2Fids%2F6635&s
chemaId=14260",
        "kafkaHeaderBootstrapUrl": "cl001.eastus2.uat.iebus.3pc.att.com:9093",
        "kafkaHeaderSaslMechanism": "PLAIN",
        "kafkaHeaderOauthScope": "ANT-data-feed-dev-stage",
        "kafkaUsername": "m30317@ant.att.com",
        "kafkaPassword": "August2023#",
        "input": [
            {
                "type": "stat",
                "group": "AgentStatistics",
                "stat": "CPU Percent",
                "name": "cpu percent1",
                "filterBy": {
                    "stat": "agentIP",
                    "value":"10.38.158.83"
                }
            },
                "type": "stat",
                "group": "AgentStatistics",
                "stat": "CPU Percent",
                "name": "cpu percent2",
                "filterBy": {
                    "stat": "agentIP",
                    "value":"10.38.157.97"
                }
            },
                "type": "config",
                "group": "config/nodes/ausf/ranges/1/nodeSettings",
                "stat": "mcc",
                "name": "mcc"
            },
            {
                "type": "config",
                "group":
"config/nodes/ue/ranges/1/userPlane/tigerObjective/1/statelessUDP",
```

```
"stat": "ipAddress",
        "name": "ipAddress"
    },
    {
        "type": "stat",
        "group": "Fullcoreoverview_RegisteredAttachedUE",
        "stat": "UEs Registered",
        "name": "no of UE Registered"
    },
        "type": "stat",
        "group": "Fullcoreoverview_PDUSessionEstablishment",
        "stat": "PDU Session Establishment Succeeded",
        "name": "no_of_PDU_Session_Established"
    },
        "type": "stat",
        "group": "Fullcoreapplicationtraffic_UserPlaneThroughput",
        "stat": "L2-3 Device Rx Traffic",
        "name": "L3 Server::Total Bits/Sec"
    },
    {
        "type": "stat",
        "group": "Fullcoreapplicationtraffic_UserPlaneThroughput",
        "stat": "L2-3 Device Tx Traffic",
        "name": "L3 Client::Total Bits/Sec"
    },
    {
        "type": "stat",
        "group": "Fullcoreapplicationtraffic_TCPConnections",
        "stat": "TCP connections established",
        "name": "HTTP/s Handshakes Succeeded"
    },
        "type": "stat",
        "group": "Fullcoreapplicationtraffic_TCPConnections",
        "stat": "TCP connect failed",
        "name": "HTTP/s Handshakes Failed"
    },
        "type": "stat",
        "group": "Fullcoreapplicationtraffic_TCPConnections",
        "stat": "TCP connections closed normally",
        "name": "HTTP/s Connection Closed"
    }
],
```

```
"mappings":[
   {
        "type": "controlplane",
        "from": "cpu_percent1 + cpu_percent2",
        "to": "total cpu_percent %"
   },
    {
        "type": "controlplane",
        "from": "cpu_percent1/(cpu_percent1 + cpu_percent2)",
        "to": "agent1 cpu ratio"
    },
        "type": "controlplane",
        "from": "cpu_percent2/(cpu_percent1 + cpu_percent2)",
        "to": "agent2 cpu ratio"
   },
        "type": "controlplane",
        "from": "mcc",
        "to": "MCC"
   },
    {
        "type": "controlplane",
        "from": "ipAddress",
        "to": "Destination IP Address"
   },
        "type": "controlplane",
        "from": "no_of_UE_Registered",
        "to": "no of UE Registered"
   },
        "type": "controlplane",
        "from": "no_of_PDU_Session_Established",
        "to": "no_of_PDU_Session_Established"
   },
        "type": "userplane",
        "from": "L3 Server::Total Bits/Sec",
        "to": "L3 Server::Total Bits/Sec"
   },
        "type":"userplane",
        "from": "L3 Client::Total Bits/Sec",
        "to": "L3 Client::Total Bits/Sec"
    },
```

```
"type": "userplane",
                 "from": "HTTP/s Handshakes Succeeded",
                 "to": "HTTP/s Handshakes Succeeded"
            },
             {
                 "type":"userplane",
                 "from": "HTTP/s Handshakes Failed",
                 "to": "HTTP/s Handshakes Failed"
            },
            {
                 "type": "userplane",
                 "from": "HTTP/s Connection Closed",
                 "to": "HTTP/s Connection Closed"
            }
        ]
    }
}
```

#### **Event body sent to Kafka**

```
[
    {
        "eventBody": {
            "id": "wireless-0acbc45b-8777-4250-a3ec-4f00e47399c8_39",
            "time": "2024-02-29T13:57:35Z",
            "type": "ATTS-TOOLS-KEYSIGHT-EVENT",
            "specversion": "1.1",
            "source": "https://10.38.157.61/wireless-07a05ef0-a421-4894-869d-
81e6e88831aa",
            "datacontenttype": "application/json",
            "payload": [
                {
                    "type": "resource_info",
                    "resource info": {
                         "simulated_tool_info": [
                             {
                                 "tool name": "LoadCore",
                                 "middleware_ip": "10.38.157.61"
                             }
                         ],
                         "network_type": "5G",
                         "3gpp_scenario": "QUIC_ABR_DEBUG"
                    }
                },
                {
                    "type": "test_execution_result",
```

```
"test_execution_result": {
                         "control_plane_result": {
                             "Destination IP Address": "20.0.6.10",
                             "MCC": "226",
                             "agent1 cpu ratio": "0.455321",
                             "agent2 cpu ratio": "0.544679",
                             "no_of_PDU_Session_Established": "100",
                             "no_of_UE_Registered": "0",
                             "total cpu_percent %": "3.0902"
                         },
                         "userplane_plane_result": {
                             "L3 Client::Total Bits/Sec": "0",
                             "L3 Server::Total Bits/Sec": "0"
                         }
                    }
                },
                     "type": "test_execution_details",
                     "test_execution_details": {
                         "testName": "4 - Full Core Base Config",
                         "testSessionID": "wireless-07a05ef0-a421-4894-869d-
81e6e88831aa",
                         "UserID": "admin@example.org",
                         "testStatus": "STOPPING",
                         "testStartTime": "2024-02-29T13:55:40Z",
                         "testDuration": 105,
                         "testStopTime": "2024-02-29T13:57:31Z"
                    }
                }
            ]
        "payloadType": "JSON",
        "value": {}
]
```

## **Global Playlists**

The following table describes the settings required to define the global playlists.

Setting	Description
Global Playlists:	
+	Select the <b>Add Global Playlist</b> button to add a new playlist to your test configuration.
Impairment Profile:	

Setting	Description
圃	Select the <b>Delete Global Playlist</b> button to remove the playlist from your test configuration.
Name	Each playlist profile is uniquely identified by a name. You can accept the value provided by CuSIM or overwrite it with your own value.
Playlist file (.csv)	It allows you to add a custom playlist, using the <b>Upload</b> button. To remove the file, select the <b>Clear</b> button.

### CHAPTER 6

# **Assign and manage agents**

A CuSIM *agent* is the virtual machine on which the application traffic and control plane procedure simulation is performed. Assigning and managing traffic agents is one of the essential and required aspects of creating and executing DU simulation tests.

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# **About traffic agents**

CuSIM tests require the use of *agents* to generate traffic for both CU-UP (user plane) and CU-CP (control plane). The containers and virtual machines that act as agents can be horizontally scaled to support a very high level of application traffic throughput and control plane procedure rates.

### **Agent implementation**

For CuSIM, agents are implemented as VMware ESXi 6.5 and ESXi 6.7 virtual machines in private clouds.

### Assigning tags to agents

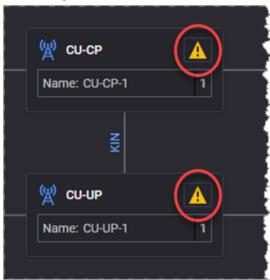
Tags provide a flexible and simple method of assigning metadata to agents. There are two types of tags:

Туре	Color	Description
System tag	Blue	These tags are defined by CuSIM. You can hover over the system tag icon to display the tag information.
User-defined tags	Gray	You can add custom tags from the Agent Management window. These are tags that you create; they are free-form, which gives you the ability to categorize or mark agents in any way that supports your test requirements. Refer to Agent management on page 46 for instructions.

# **Assigning agents to nodes**

You cannot run a CuSIM test until you have assigned agents to all of the test nodes. To assign an agent to a node:

1. In the topology window, select the traffic agent icon on the top right corner of the node. For example:



The icon that represents the agent can be any of the following:



No agents are assigned to the node.



One or more agents are assigned.

CuSIM opens the **Agents Assignment** window, which presents a list of agents. If the list has no filters set, then all agents are listed.

- 2. Assign specific agents or all available agents to the node:
  - To assign specific agents (one or more) to the node, select the check-box next to the agent's IP address.
  - To assign all available agents to the node, select the **Select Agent** check-box (located in the table header).

Note that you can display the agent ID by hovering over the IP address.

- 3. Select the F1, KIN, and Passthrough Device **Connections** as required.
- 4. Click Update.

#### **Agent Assignments window**

The following table describes the content of each column displayed on the **Agents Assignment** window.

Column	Description
Owner	Hover over the <b>Owner</b> icon to see the current agent ownership and status, which

Column	Description
	<ul><li>will be one of the following:</li><li>The agent is owned by the user whose email address is listed. In this case,</li></ul>
	the agent is not available for assignment.
	The agent is offline. In this case, the agent is not available for assignment.
	The agent is available for assignment.
Select Agent	Use the check box next to the IP address to select that agent for assignment.
	You can also select all available agents by selecting the <b>Select Agent</b> check box (in the table header).
Tags	This column displays the tags associated with each agent. Each tag indicates the number of agents to which it is associated.
	Refer to About traffic agents on page 43 for more information about tags.
Connections	The table displays the available interface and the MAC address for each wireless connection. The interface can be selected from the drop-down list.
	NOTE For the CuSIM nodes that have multiple interfaces, for each interface, you can change the interface type using the drill-down option.
NOTE	From the <b>Agents Assignment</b> window you can select other nodes from the list and configure the agents for those nodes also. In this way, you can configure agents for all your test nodes at the same time.

# **Agent management**

You manage your CuSIM agents from the **Agent Management** window, which is accessed from the Setting menu (.). This window displays detailed information for all or selected agents and provides all of the functionality needed to manage them.

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### **Agent Management window**

The Agent Management window displays a table that shows the current status of your agents.

Column	Description
	The first column in the table contains a checkbox that you use when selecting individual agents for various operations.
	Note that you can use the <i>Agent IP</i> checkbox in the table header to select all agents.
Agent IP	Displays the IP address of the agent.
	To see the Agent ID, hover over the agent's IP IP address.
Owner	Indicates whether the agent is assigned, available, or offline.
Status	Indicates the current status of the agent.
Tags	This column displays the tags associated to each agent.
	There are two types of tags:
	<ul> <li>system tags (blue): these are defined by CuSIM. You can hover over a system tag to view more details.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>user tags (gray): these are defined by dusim users. Refer to <u>Adding and</u> removing tags on the next page for more details.</li> </ul>
	Each tag indicates the number of agents to which it was associated.
Test NICs	Displays the NICs for each agent and, on hover, it displays the MAC address.
Hostname	Displays the hostname.
Memory	Displays the amount of RAM memory allocated to the agent.
CPU info	Displays additional information about the CPU model, the frequency and the number of cores.
Last Run	Displays the nodes that were last run on the agent.

Column	Description
Data	
Last Run Timestamp	Displays the date and time of the last agent run.

### Selecting agents

You can perform management actions on individually-selected agents (one or more) or on all agents:

- To select a specific agent, select the check-box associated with the agent's IP address. (When hovering over the IP address of an agent, the agent ID is displayed.)
- To select all agents currently listed in the table, select the *Agent IP* checkbox in the table header.

### Search, select, and filter agent data

You can selectively locate and display agent data using the following functions:

Function	Description	
Filter agents	Use this option to filter the available agents by tag names:	
	1. Select <b>Filter agents</b> .	
	2. Enter the name of the tag or select it from the available list.	
	3. Select Close.	
	The content on the Agent Management window is updated with the filtering results.	
	To remove the filtering results, select <b>Clear</b> .	
Include offline agents	Set this option to either include or exclude offline agents from the list.	
Search	Search by IP, Owner, hostname, or status.	

### Adding and removing tags

You can create and use tags to categorize agents in any way that suits your needs.

#### Add a custom tag:

- 1. Select one or more agents in the table.
- 2. Select Tag as.
- 3. Type the name of the tag in the **Search or add tag** field, then select **Add**.
- 4. Select **Update** to add the tag name.

### Remove a tag:

- 1. Select one or more agents in the table.
- 2. Select **Tag as**.
- 3. Select **Remove tags**.
- 4. Use the search functionality to identify the tag name or select it from the list.
- 5. Select **Update** to remove the tag name.

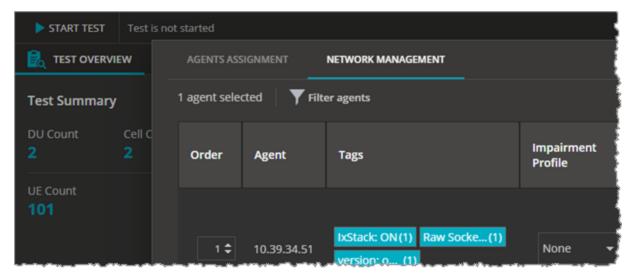
## **Agent management actions**

You can perform the following actions on the agents that are currently selected (selected via the selection checkbox in the first column of the table):

Function	Description
Clear ownership	Releases your ownership of the selected agents.
Hard reboot	Performs a hard reboot on the agent (the agent machine is power-cycled).
Delete	Removes the selected agent(s) from the Agent Management list.

# **Network Management**

All of the agents selected in the **Agents Assignment** window are displayed on the **Network Management** window.



### **Table description**

The following table describes the content of each column displayed on the **Network Management** window.

Column	Description
Order	This option allows you to select the agent distribution order when running with multiple agents on the same node (when you are not using a switch to connect all agents).
Agent	Displays the agent's IP address. When hovering over the IP address of the agent, the agent ID is displayed.
Tags	<ul> <li>This column displays the tags associated to each agent.</li> <li>There are two types of tags:</li> <li>system tags (blue): these are defined by CuSIM. You can hover over a system tag to view more details.</li> <li>user tags (gray): these are defined by dusim users. Refer to Adding and removing tags on page 47 for more details.</li> <li>Each tag indicates the number of agents to which it was associated.</li> </ul>
Impairment profile	Allows you the select an impairment profile from the drop-down list.
Agent Interface	Displays the agent's interface Name and MAC address.

Column	Description	
Network Stack	This option allows you to select the network stack used to run the test:  • Linux Stack  • IxStack over Raw Sockets  • IxStack over DPDK	
	An agent compatible with IxStack is marked using an IxStack: On/Off system tag.	
SRIoV	This option is disabled when <i>Network Stack</i> is set to Linux Stack. For IxStack over Raw Sockets or IxStack over DPDK, this option is enabled based on the selection (it can be enabled or disabled based on your agent's configuration).	
Traffic Capture	This option allows you to enable or disable traffic capture an all or specific interfaces, based on your test configuration.	
Entity	Displays the nodes on which the agent has been assigned. When hovering over the node, it the displays the node's interface names.	
IMPORTANT	To run tests using IxStack over Raw Sockets or IxStack over DPDK you need at least two agents.	

### Filtering agents

You can set filters (uing tag names) to determine which agents are displayed in the table:

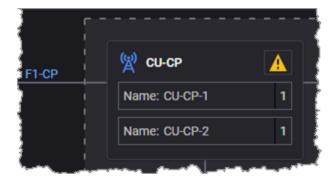
- 1. Select **Filter agents**.
- 2. Enter the name of the tag or select it from the available list.
- 3. Select Close.

The content on the **Network Management** window is updated to show only agents that are tagged with one of the tags selected in your filter setting.

### CHAPTER 7

# gNB CU-CP configuration settings

The gNB Centralized Unit (gNB-CU) is a logical node hosting PDCP and SDAP layers of the gNB. One gNB-CU supports one or multiple cells, and it terminates the F1 interface connected with the gNB-DU.



In the CuSIM test topology, the gNB-CU is logically structured as two entities:

- CU-CP, which connects with the DU over the F1-C interface, which carries control plane traffic.
- CU-UP, which connects with the DU over the F1-U interface, which carries user plane traffic.

The DU is the device under test (DUT) in a KeysightCuSIM test configuration.

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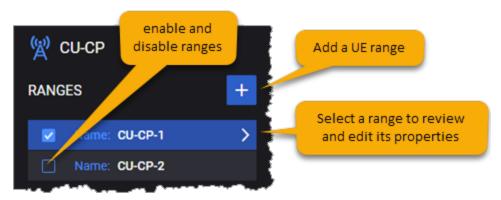
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# **CU-CP Ranges panel**

The **CU-CP RANGES** panel opens when you select the CU-CP node from the network topology window. You can perform the following tasks from this panel:

- Add a range.
- Open a CU-UP range configuration for editing or viewing.
- Enable or disable a range for the test configuration.

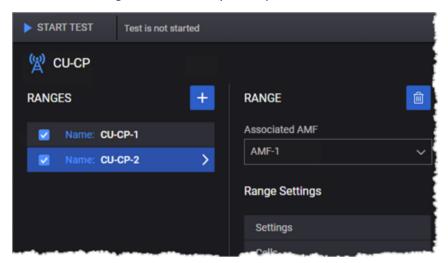
### For example:



Refer to <u>CU-CP Range settings</u> for a description of the CU-CP range settings.

# **CU-CP Range settings**

Each CU-CP Range is identified by a unique name and can be enabled or disable for a given test run.



The following table describes the Range Settings that you configure for each CU-CP range.

Settings	Description
ı	Delete the selected CU-CP range from the test configuration.
Associated AMF	Select a previously-configured AMF to associate with this CU-CP range.
Range Setting	s:
Settings	Each CU-CP range requires the configuration of an associated of Node Settings which are described in section <u>Settings panel</u> .
Cells	Each CU-CP range requires the configuration of an associated Cells which are described in section <u>Cells settings</u> .
F1 Interface Settings	Each CU-CP range requires the configuration of F1 interface settings, through which CU-CP instance interacts with gNB-DU-CP Node. These settings are described in section F1-CP Interface Settings.
X2C Interface Settings	Each CU-CP range requires the configuration of X2-C interface, which carries signaling packets between RAN nodes in non-standalone (NSA) operations. These settings are described in section X2-C Interface Settings.
Xn-C Interface Settings	Each CU-CP range requires the configuration of Xn, which is a network interface between NG-RAN nodes: specifically, between gNB-gNB, between (gNB)-(ng-eNB) and between (ng-eNB)-(ng-eNB). Xn-U is used for the Xn User Plane interface, and Xn-C is used for the Xn Control Plane.  These settings are described in section Xn-C Interface Settings.

Settings	Description
KIN Interface Settings	Each CU-CP range requires the configuration of KIN interface settings, through which CU-CP node and CU-UP nodes communicates. This interface is an internal interface (not exposed to DUT) and suggested to be configured through an internal network within CUSIM. These settings are described in section CU-UP KIN Interface Settings.

# **Settings panel**

The Settings panel provides access the the CU-CP node settings described in the following table.

Settings	Description
Requests cells activation at F1 Setup	If this checkbox is enabled, CU-CP requests the gNB-DU-CP to activate cells via F1 Setup Response message, then gNB-DU-CP will initiate gnB-DU Configuration Update procedure for cell activation. If this checkbox is not enabled, gNB-CU initiates gNB-CU Configuration Update procedure for cell activation after F1 Setup procedure.
Name	The name uniquely identifies the CU-CP. You can accept the value provided by CUSIM or overwrite it with your own value.
CU ID	Enter the gNB-CU Identifier for this CU-CP range. It can be configured to use between 22 bits and 32 bits. The valid value range is 0 - 4,294,967,295.
CU ID Length	The number of bits (from NRCGI) to use for gNB-CU Identifier. (The number of bits to use for CU ID is a vendor decision.)
F1 Setup Wait Time	This parameter defines the value of the "Time to Wait" IE set by the gNB-CU in the F1 Setup Failure message.
Default DRX Paging Cycle	Select the desired Discontinuous Reception (DRX) Paging Cycle from the drop-down list.  This value indicates the DRX periods within each paging cycle during which the UE will monitor the paging channel.
Activity Notification Level	Select the desired Activity Notification that will be performed for this CU-UP node: DRB, PDU Session, or UE.  Refer to TS 38-463 for detailed information.
Disable NRUP	Enable or disable NR user plane protocol. It is enabled in the CU by default.  The NR user plane protocol, which is located in the User Plane of the Radio Network layer over the Xn, X2, or F1 interface, is used to convey control information related to the user data flow management of data radio bearers. In CuSIM, it is used by the CU to query the DU over the F1 interface and obtain parameter values such as data rate and buffer size.
PLMN Identity	Refer to PLMN Identity on the next page below.
SCTP Buffers	Refer to SCTP Buffers on the next page below.
UDP Buffers	Refer to UDP Buffers on the next page below.

## **PLMN Identity**

Configure the values in the following table to construct the PLMN Identify value to include in CU-CP messages. The PLMN is the concatenation of the MCC and MNC.

Setting	Description
PLMN MCC	The PLMN's MCC value.
PLMN MNC	The PLMN's MNC value.

#### **SCTP Buffers**

The F1-C signaling bearer uses SCTP (Stream Control Transmission Protocol) for reliable transport of messages. Configure the following SCTP buffers for CU-CP messages.

Setting Description	
Transmit (bytes)	The number of bytes for the SCTP transmit buffer.
Receive (bytes)	The number of bytes for the SCTP receive buffer.

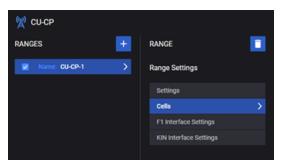
### **UDP Buffers**

Configure the UDP buffers for CU-CP messages.

Setting	Description
Transmit (bytes)	The number of bytes for the UDP transmit buffer.
Receive (bytes)	The number of bytes for the UDP receive buffer.

## **Cells settings**

Each CU-CP range requires configuration of a group of Range Settings, which include the range's Cells settings.



These settings are organized in the following groups:

- Cells
- NSSAI
- <u>SIB</u>

### Cells

Each CU-CP range requires configuration of a group of **Cells** settings, which are the cells that this gNB-DU supports:

Settings	Description
Cell ID	Cell Identifier for this range. The NR Cell Identifier (NCI) is calculated using CU ID, and CU ID length: NCI (36 bits) = gNB-CU Identity (CU ID Length) + Cell ID (CU ID Length).
Cell ID Increment	Enter the value by which CuSIM will increment each Cell ID if the Cell Count is greater than 1.
Cell Count	If you want to create multiple cells for this cell range, enter the desired number in this field.
Use Neighbor Cell	If enabled, then the Neighbor Cell will be used for mobility.
Neighbor Cell	NOTE This parameter appears only if Use Neighbor Cell is enabled.  Assign the neighbor cell to be used for mobility.
ARFCN	Enter the desired downlink New Radio Absolute Radio Frequency Channel Number.
SSB Frequency	The Frequency referring to the position of resource element RE=#0 (subcarrier #0) of resource block RB#10 of the SS block. Used for Handover decision.
Subcarrier	Select the subcarrier spacing value for the served cell. In 5G networks, the

Settings	Description
Spacing	subcarrier spacing scales by $2\mu \times 15$ kHz to cover different services: QoS, latency requirements, and frequency ranges. 15, 30, and 60 kHz subcarrier spacing are used for the lower frequency bands, and 60, 120, and 240 kHz subcarrier spacing are used for the higher frequency bands.
TAC	The unique identifier of the Tracking Area Code (TAC) to which this cell belongs in the 5G system.
PLMN Identity	The Public Land Mobile Network (PLMN) in which this cell is located. The PLMN is a globally unique identifier that comprises the MCC and MNC:
	PLMN MCC: The PLMN's mobile country code (MCC).
	PLMN MNC: The PLMN's mobile network code (MNC).
NSSAI	Refer to NSSAI below below.
SIB	Refer to SIB on the facing page below.

### **NSSAI**

Each CU-CP range requires configuration of a group of NSSAI settings, which are described in the following table:

Setting	Description
+	The following actions are available:  • Select the <b>Add NSSAI</b> button to add a new NSSAI to your test configuration.  • Select UE NSSAI from the list to access the configuration settings.
NSSAI pane	el:
圃	Select the <b>Delete NSSAI</b> button to delete this NSSAI from your test configuration.
SST	The value that identifies the SST (Slice/Service Type) for this NSSAI. SST comprises octet 3 in the S-NSSAI information element. The standardized SST values are:  1 (eMBB) 2 (URLCC) 3 (MIoT)
SD	The Slice Differentiator (SD) value for this NSSAI. SD is an optional information that differentiates amongst multiple Network Slices of the same Slice/Service type. The SD field comprises octets 4 through 6 in the S-NSSAI.
Mapped SST	The Mapped configured Slice/Service Type (SST) value for this NSSAI.
Mapped	The Mapped configured Slice Differentiator (SD) value for this NSSAI.

Setting	Description
SD	

### SIB

If you would like CU-CP to send optional gNB-CU System Information Block (SIB) values with the F1 Setup Response message, you can configure them from the SIB panel.



Setting	Description
SIB Type	Enter the System Information Block Type: 2 for sibType2, 3 for sibType3, and so forth.
SIB Message	Enter the hex string bytes - RRC SIB Message Container (OCTET STRING).

## **F1-CP Interface Settings**

Each **CU-CP** range requires configuration of a group of **Range Settings**, which include the range's **F1-CP Interface Settings**. These settings enable communication between the simulated DUs and your DUT. They are grouped into **F1 Interface Settings** and **Connectivity Settings**.

### F1 Settings

The F1 interface settings specify the F1 port number.

Setting	Description
F1 Port	The port to use for the F1 connection. The default port number is 38472, which is an unassigned IANA port number. You can set this to a different value, if appropriate for your test requirements.

### **Connectivity Settings**

The connectivity settings comprise the interface's IP address and, optionally, outer and inner VLAN identifiers.

Setting	Description
IP settings:	
IP Address	Enter the IP address that the first CuSIM CU-CP node defined in this range will use to communicate with gNB-DU (DUT)
IP Prefix Length	The subnet prefix length associated with this CU-CP IP interface. It specifies the number of leftmost bits in the address, which indicates the network portion of the address.
Gateway Address	This CU-CP node's gateway address.
VLAN setting	gs:
Outer VLAN	Enable this setting if you need VLAN IDs for your test, and then specify the <b>VLAN ID</b> .
Inner VLAN	When <i>Outer VLAN</i> is enabled, CuSIM exposes the optional <i>Inner VLAN</i> setting. Enable this setting if you need inner VLAN IDs for your test, and then specify the inner <b>VLAN ID</b> .

## **X2-C Interface Settings**

You access the X2-C Interface Settings from a CU range panel . The X2-C interface carries signaling packets between RAN nodes in non-standalone (NSA) operations.

#### ΙP

The following table describes the X2-C interface IP settings.

Setting	Description
IP Address	Enter the IP address for the CU X2-C interface.
IP Prefix Length	The subnet prefix length associated with this IP interface. It specifies the number of leftmost bits in the address, which indicates the network portion of the address.
Port	The port associated with this interface.
Gateway Address	This CU node's gateway address.

### **IPsec**

The following table describes the X2-C interface IPsec settings. To enable IPsec on this interface, the CU needs only the IP address, prefix, and port number of the client-side IPsec tunnel. Refer to  $\underline{X2-C}$  Interface Settings for the client-side IPsec configuration settings.

Setting	Description
Source Port	The IPsec tunnel's source port.
IP Address	The IP address of the X2-C interface on the CU range.
IP Prefix Length	The IP address subnet prefix length associated with this IPsec interface. It specifies the number of leftmost bits in the address, which indicates the network portion of the address.

## **Xn-C Interface Settings**

You access the Xn-C Interface Settings from a CU range panel . Xn is a network interface between NG-RAN nodes: specifically, between gNB-gNB, between (gNB)-(ng-eNB) and between (ng-eNB)-(ng-eNB). Xn-U is used for the Xn User Plane interface, and Xn-C is used for the Xn Control Plane.

### ΙP

The following table describes the Xn-C interface IP settings.

Setting	Description
IP Address	Enter the IP address for the CU Xn-C interface.
IP Prefix Length	The subnet prefix length associated with this IP interface. It specifies the number of leftmost bits in the address, which indicates the network portion of the address.
Port	The port associated with this interface.
Gateway Address	This CU node's gateway address.

# **CU-CP KIN Interface settings**

The traffic agents of the CuSIM test nodes (CU-CP and CU-UP) communicate through an internal network called the Keysight Internal Network. The following table describes the settings for the KIN interface:

Settings	Description
IP Address	Enter the IP address of the KIN for this CU-CP node defined in this range will use to communicate with CU-UP node.
IP Prefix Length	The subnet prefix length associated with this KIN IP interface. It specifies the number of leftmost bits in the address, which indicates the network portion of the address.

### CHAPTER 8

# gNB CU-UP configuration settings

In the CuSIM test topology, the gNB-CU is logically structured as two entities:

- CU-CP, which connects with the CU over the F1-C interface, which carries control plane traffic.
- CU-UP, which connects with the CU over the F1-U interface, which carries user plane traffic.



The chapter describes the **CU-UP** settings.

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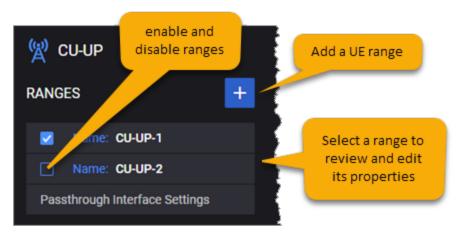
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# **CU-UP RANGES panel**

The **CU-UP RANGES** panel opens when you select the CU-UP node from the network topology window. You can perform the following tasks from this panel:

- Add a CU-UP range.
- Open a CU-UP range configuration for editing or viewing.
- Enable or disable a range for the test configuration.

#### For example:

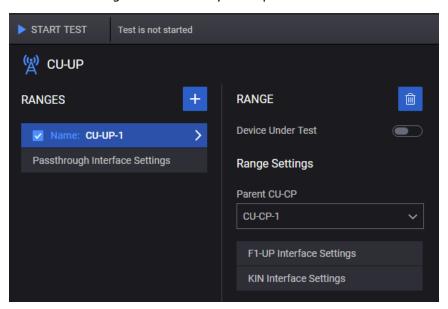


Refer to <u>CU-UP Range settings on the facing page</u> for a description of the CU-UP configuration settings.

# **CU-UP Range settings**

When you select a CU-UP range from the **CU-UP Ranges** panel, CuSIM opens the **Range** panel, from which you configure the F1-UP interface settings and connectivity settings.

Each CU-UP Range is identified by a unique name and can be enabled or disable for a given test run.



The following table describes the Range Settings that you configure for each CU-CP range.

Settings	Description	
ı	Delete the selected CU-UP range from the test configuration.	
Device	Enable this option if this node is the DUT in this configuration settings.	
Under Test	When this option is not enabled, the application will simulate the node's functionality (if it is selected in the Topology window).	
	If enabled, this setting will allow only the configuration of the DUT F1-U setting.	
Parent	Select the parent CU-CP range.	
CU-CP	NOTE This parameter is not displayed if the Device Under Test is enabled.	
Range Settir	Range Settings:	
DUT F1-U IP Address	NOTE This parameter appears only if Device Under Test is enabled for this range.	
	If Device Under Test is enabled, configure the IP Address of the DUT F1-U interface. Else, CU-UP node will be emulated.	
F1	Each CU-CP range requires the configuration of F1 interface settings, through which	

Settings	Description
Interface Settings	CU-CP instance interacts with gNB-DU-CP Node. These settings are described in section <u>F1-UP settings</u> .
	NOTE This section is not displayed if the Device Under Test is enabled.
KIN Interface Settings	Each CU-CP range requires the configuration of KIN interface settings, through which CU-CP node and CU-UP nodes communicates. This interface is an internal interface (not exposed to DUT) and suggested to be configured through an internal network within CUSIM. These settings are described in section CU-UP KIN Interface Settings.
	NOTE This section is not displayed if the Device Under Test is enabled.

## **F1-UP settings**

Each **CU-UP** range requires configuration of a group of **F1-CP Interface Settings**. These settings enable communication between the simulated CUs and your DUT (the DU). They are grouped into **F1 Interface Settings** and **Connectivity Settings**.

### **F1-UP Interface Settings**

The F1 interface settings specify the F1 port number and the MTU value for this interface.

Setting	Description
F1-UP Port	The port to use for the F1 connection. The CuSIM default port number is 2152, which is the registered GTP-U protocol port. You can set this to a different value, if appropriate for your test requirements.
MTU	The desired Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU) for the F1 interface. The MTU specifies the largest packet that an Ethernet frame can carry.

## **Connectivity Settings**

The F1-UP connectivity settings include the IP address values plus the layer 2 values for the user plane traffic.

Setting	Description	
IP settings:	IP settings:	
IP Address	Enter the IP address for the first F1-UP on this CU-CP node.	
IP Count	The number of F1-UP interface IP addresses to create for this node.	
IP Address Increment	The value (expressed in IP address notation) by which the IP addresses will be incremented.	
IP Prefix Length	The subnet prefix length associated with this F1-UP IP interface. It specifies the number of leftmost bits in the address, which indicates the network portion of the address.	
Gateway Address	This CU-UP node's gateway address.	
Gateway Increment	The value to use when incrementing the Gateway address (starting with the Gateway Address).	
MAC settings	:	
MAC	Specify the first media access control (MAC) address that will be assigned to the DU-UP node defined in this range. The default value is an auto-generated address that you can change, if desired.	
MAC Increment	Specify the value (expressed as a 12-character alphanumeric MAC address value) by which the MAC addresses of all the DU-UP nodes that are defined in this range will be incremented.	
VLAN settings	s:	
Outer VLAN	Enable this setting if you need VLAN IDs for your application traffic.	
VLAN ID	The VLAN identifier.	
VLAN TPID	The VLAN Tag Protocol Identifier (TPID) is used in the VLAN Frame Extension (tag). This is an Ether Type value that identifies the protocol type of the tag.	
Inner VLAN	When Outer VLAN is enabled, CuSIM exposes the optional Inner VLAN setting.  Enable this setting if you need inner VLAN IDs.	
VLAN ID	The VLAN identifier.	
VLAN TPID	The VLAN Tag Protocol Identifier (TPID) is used in the VLAN Frame Extension (tag). This is an Ether Type value that identifies the protocol type of the tag.	

## **CU-UP KIN Interface Settings**

The traffic agents of the CuSIM test nodes (CU-CP and CU-UP) communicate through an internal network called the Keysight Internal Network. The following table describes the settings for the KIN interface settings for the CU-UP node.

### **Connectivity Settings**

When you select KIN Interface Settings, CuSIM opens the **Connectivity Settings** panel, which contains an entry for each KIN (Keysight Internal Network) interface that you define.

Setting	Description	
IP settings:	IP settings:	
IP Address	Enter the IP address for the CU-UP node's KIN interface for this range.  This is the user plane IP address for the simulated CUs. It can be on its own subnet, as it has no relationship with any other IP addresses in the test config.	
IP Prefix Length	The subnet prefix length associated with this CU-UP KIN IP interface. It specifies the number of leftmost bits in the address, which indicates the network portion of the address.	

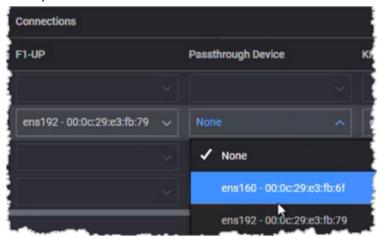
## Passthrough interface configuration

If you need to use traffic types not provided by CuSIM, you can configure a Passthrough Interface at the CU-UP node and use CuSIM with external traffic servers. When Passthrough Interface is configured, CuSIM traffic configurations do not apply; instead, all traffic is routed to external servers through the configured passthrough interface.

#### Pasthrough test requirements

The main requirements for CuSIM passthrough test include:

 Assigning agents to the CU-UP Passthrough Devices, on the Agents Assignment window. For example:

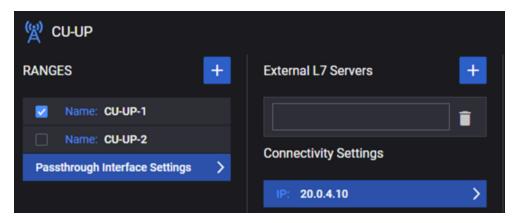


Refer to Assign and manage agents on page 42 for more information.

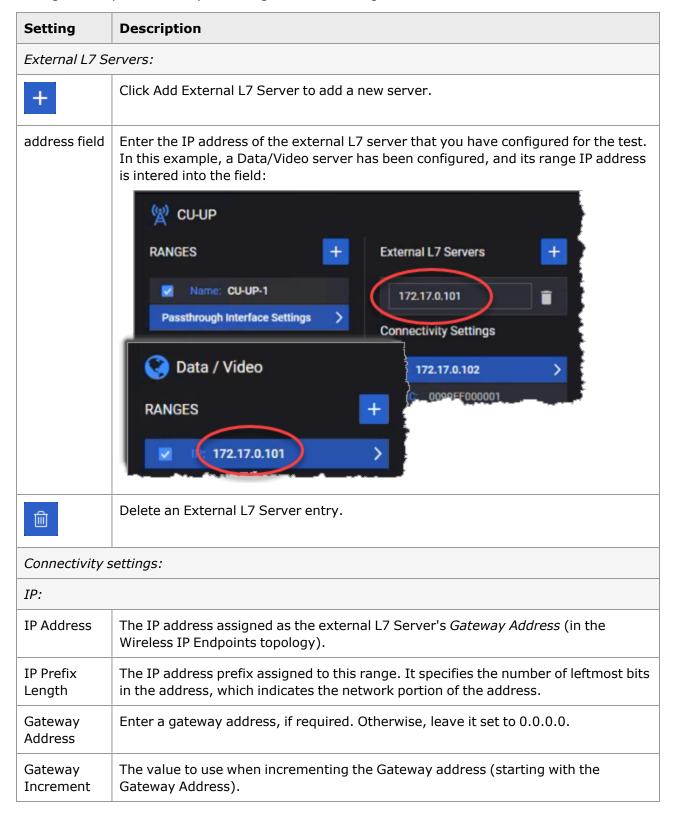
- Configuring at least one L7 server in the Wireless IP Endpoints topology, which is one of the ORAN SIM CE Core topologies (refer to <u>Wireless IP Endpoints</u> for detailed information). Note that the Wireless IP Endpoints IP Client node is not required for CU-UP passthrough testing.
- Configuring a Passthrough Interface at the CU-UP node, as described below.

#### **Passthrough interface settings**

Select **Passthrough Interface Settings** from the CU-UP Ranges panel.



The passthrough interface—when configured—waits for an external traffic source. The following settings are required for the passthrough interface configuration.



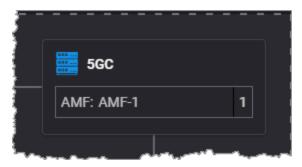
Setting	Description
MTU	The Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU) for this range. MTU specifies the largest packet that an Ethernet frame can carry.
MSS	The Maximum Segment Size (MSS) for this range. MSS specifies the largest TCP segment that the IP device can transmit as a single, unfragmented unit.
MAC settings	
MAC	Specify the first media access control (MAC) address that will be assigned to the DU-UP node defined in this range. The default value is an auto-generated address that you can change, if desired.
MAC Increment	Specify the value (expressed as a 12-character alphanumeric MAC address value) by which the MAC addresses of all the DU-UP nodes that are defined in this range will be incremented.
VLAN settings	5:
Outer VLAN	Enable this setting if you need VLAN IDs for your application traffic.
VLAN ID	The VLAN identifier.
VLAN TPID	The VLAN Tag Protocol Identifier (TPID) is used in the VLAN Frame Extension (tag). This is an Ether Type value that identifies the protocol type of the tag.
Inner VLAN	When Outer VLAN is enabled, CuSIM exposes the optional Inner VLAN setting.  Enable this setting if you need inner VLAN IDs.
VLAN ID	The VLAN identifier.
VLAN TPID	The VLAN Tag Protocol Identifier (TPID) is used in the VLAN Frame Extension (tag). This is an Ether Type value that identifies the protocol type of the tag.

#### CHAPTER 9

# **5G-Core and AMF configuration settings**

CuSIM simulates 5G Core functionality in your tests. You use AMF Ranges to configure the required 5G Core related information.

The AMF Ranges panel opens when you select the AMF node from the network topology window.



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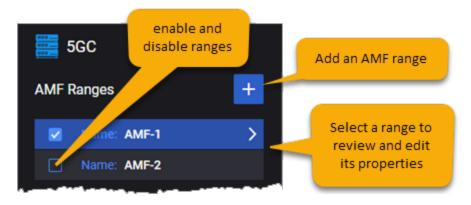
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## **5GC Ranges panel**

The **5GC RANGES** panel opens when you select the 5GC node from the network topology window. You can perform the following tasks from this panel:

- · Add AMF ranges.
- Open an AMF range configuration for editing or viewing.
- Enable or disable a range for the test configuration.

#### For example:



Refer to AMF Range panel below for a description of the range settings.

## **AMF Range panel**

You use AMF Range Panel to configure AMF and 5G Core information.

Parameter	Description
Name	The name uniquely identifies each AMF instance. You can accept the value provided by CuSIM or overwrite it with your own value.
PLMN MCC	The PLMN MCC for this AMF range
PLMN MNC	The PLMN MNC for this AMF range.
Region ID	The AMF Region ID to use for this simulated AMF node. This ID identifies the region in which the node resides. The AMF Region ID addresses the case that there are more AMFs in the network than the number of AMFs that can be supported by AMF Set ID and AMF Pointer. It allows operators to re-use the same AMF Set IDs and AMF Pointers in different regions.
Set ID	The AMF Set ID to use for this simulated AMF node. The Set ID uniquely identifies the AMF Set within the AMF Region.
	An AMF Region consists of one or multiple AMF Sets. An AMF Set consists of some AMFs that serve a given area and Network Slice. Multiple AMF Sets may be defined per AMF Region and Network Slice(s).

Parameter	Description
Pointer	The AMF Pointer to use for this simulated AMF node. The AMF Pointer identifies one or more AMFs within the AMF Set.
Home Network Private Key	The home network public key that will be used for concealing the Subscription Permanent Identifier (SUPI).
Ciphering Algorithm	Allows to select the supported 5G ciphering algorithm:  • NEA0 - Null ciphering algorithm  • NEA1 - 128-bit SNOW 3G based algorithm  • NEA2 - 128-bit AES based algorithm
Integrity Algorithm	Allows to select the supported 5G integrity protection algorithm:  • NIA0 - Null Integrity Protection algorithm  • NIA1 - 128-bit SNOW 3G based algorithm  • NIA2 - 128-bit AES based algorithm

# **Mapping CU-CP nodes to AMF ranges**

You can create multipe AMF ranges in a CuSIM test, and then map CU-CP ranges to those AMF ranges. For example:

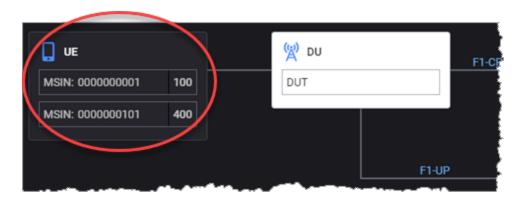


In this example, the CU-CP-1 node is mapped to the AMF-1 range.

#### CHAPTER 10

## **UE configuration settings**

When you select the **UE** object from the topology window, CuSIM opens the top-level (leftmost) UE properties window.



The UE properties include all of the settings required to simulate large and varied groups of subscribers who are attempting to access the test network, establish connections to data networks, transmit (and receive) data of various types, and

travel amongst the cells contained within your test network.

The topics in this chapter describe the configuration settings. For procedural instructions, refer to Configure UEs on page 24.

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## **UE Ranges panel**

The **UE** panel opens when you select the UE node from the network topology window. It provides access to several properties panels with which you configure all of the settings needed to simulate one or more ranges of UEs for your test.



Refer to UE RANGE settings below for a description of the UE configuration settings.

## **UE RANGE settings**



The UE **RANGE** panel provides access to all of the properties that define a UE range.

Except for Range Count, all of the other properties are configured on additional panels.

Setting	Description
Number of Copies	You can create multiple identical ranges by inserting the number of copies to be created.
ð	Select the Copy button to create the duplicated ranges.
圃	Select the <b>Delete Range</b> icon to delete this range from your test configuration.
Range Count	Specify the number of UE to configure for this range.
Range settings	Configure detailed UE range settings:  • Identification settings  • UE Security settings  • UE Settings

Setting	Description
	<ul><li>DRBs Config</li><li>DNNs Configuration settings</li></ul>
Objectives	Configure objectives for this range of UEs: <u>UE Test Objective settings</u> .

### **Identification settings**

The Identification properties are assigned to each individual UE in a UE range. Each UE will have a unique MSIN, MSISDN, and IMEI Serial Number value. The MCC and MNC values are shared by all the UEs in a range.

Setting	Description
PLMN MCC	The Mobile Country Code (MCC) for this range of UEs.
PLMN MNC	The Mobile Network Code (MNC) for this range of UEs.
MSIN	The Mobile Subscriber Identification Number (MSIN) to assign to the first subscriber in the range. This value is incremented for each additional subscriber to ensure that each individual subscriber has a unique MSIN.
MSIN	The increment value to create a unique MSIN for each UE in a range.
Increment	The increment value to use for the second and all subsequent UEs in the range, to ensure that each subscriber has a unique MSIN.
IMEI	The first International Mobile Equipment Identity (IMEI) number to assign in this range of UEs.
IMEI Increment	The increment value to create a unique IMEI for each UE in a range.
Software Version	The two-digit software version (SV) number that will be appended to the IMEI to generate the IMEISV value.
MSISDN	The first Mobile Station ISDN (MSISDN) value in this range.
MSISDN Increment	The increment value to use for the second and all subsequent UE in the range, to ensure that each UE has a unique MSISDN.

## **UE Security settings**

Each UE range requires security settings for subscriber authentication and subscriber privacy. In the 5G system, the Subscription Permanent Identifier (SUPI) is a globally unique identifier allocated to each subscriber. The serving network must authenticate the SUPI in the process of authentication and key agreement between UE and network. The serving network authorizes the UE through the subscription profile obtained from the home network; this UE authorization is based on the authenticated SUPI.

The SUPI is never transferred in clear text over the 5G-RAN; instead, the SUCI is used. The SUbscription Concealed Identifier (SUCI) is a privacy-preserving identifier containing the concealed SUPI. In the 5G core network, only the UDM has authority to reveal the SUCI.

For detailed information, refer to 3GPP TS 33.501 (Security architecture and procedures for 5G System). The following table describes the UE Security Settings.

Setting	Description
К	The K (Subscriber Authentication Key) value used for authentication of the UEs in this range. The key is a string with a maximum length of 34 characters. You can accept the value generated by CuSIM or enter of a K value of your own choosing.
Configure OP or OPc	Select the operator-specific authentication value.
ОР	The Auth OP value specifies the operator-specific authentication value to use for the UEs in this range. It is a string with a maximum length of 34 characters. It remains fix for all Subscriber/SIM of an operator. You can accept the value generated by CuSIM or enter of an OP value of your own choosing
OPC	The OPc value is derived from the subscriber key K and the operator dependent value OP. You can accept the value generated by CuSIM or enter of an OP value of your own choosing.
RAND	A hexadecimal number that represents the 128-bit random challenge. You can accept the value generated by CuSIM or enter of a RAND value of your own choosing.
AUTN	The AUthentication TokeN (AUTN) to use when authenticating the UEs in this range.

### **UE Settings**

Each UE range has a set of Settings that configure subscription data and PDU session data for the range.

Setting	Description
AMF Force Identification During Registration	This option will force the AMF to always trigger the "Identification Procedure" to get the identity of the UE. When the NG-RAN node receives this request, it responds with the IMEISV or the SUCI.
Send an unsolicited Router Advertisement	Enable this option to send unsolicited ICMP Router Advertisement messages.
IP Address Increment	The value by which the UE IP addresses will be incremented. This refers to all IP addresses assigned to the UE connected to multiple DNNs. When a UE is connected to multiple DNNs, it will have multiple IPs (at least one for each DNN connection). You configure the mapping between DNNs and UE IPs using the UE

Setting	Description
	Range Settings DNNs Config panel
Allowed SSC Modes	The Session and Service Continuity (SSC) Mode for the PDU Sessions that UEs in this range will initiate.
	The 5G System supports multiple session and service continuity (SSC) modes to support the continuity requirements of various applications and services for the UE. The SSC mode associated with a PDU Session does not change during the lifetime of that Session. The following modes are specified in TS 23.501, section 5.6.9:
	• <b>SCC Mode 1</b> : The network preserves the connectivity service provided to the UE. For PDU Sessions of type IPv4, IPv6, or IPv4v6, the IP address is preserved.
	• SCC Mode 2: The network may release the connectivity service delivered to the UE and release the corresponding PDU Session. For PDU Sessions of type IPv4, IPv6, or IPv4v6, the network may release IP addresses that had been allocated to the UE.
	• SCC Mode 3: Changes to the user plane can be visible to the UE, while the network ensures that the UE suffers no loss of connectivity. A connection through a new PDU Session Anchor point is established before the previous connection is terminated to allow for better service continuity. For PDU Sessions of type IPv4, IPv6, or IPv4v6, the IP address is not preserved in this mode when the PDU Session Anchor changes.
	The value you select will be used as the route selection descriptor component value field in the UE Route Selection Policy (URSP). Refer to TS 23.501 and TS 24.526 for detailed information.
Paging Delay (ms)	The time that will elapse before Paging is initiated after UE gets into idle state.
Handover	Enable Handover to configure NR measurement event report values that the UEs can use to trigger handover events. Refer to <a href="Handover below">Handover below</a> below for descriptions of the settings.

#### Handover

When you enable *Handover* from the UE Settings panel, CuSIM opens a new **Handover** panel that contains the settings described in the table that follows. These settings define report intervals and amounts for the NR measurement event reports and values for Event A3 (Neighbor becomes offset better than SpCell). These settings are fields in the RRC Reconfiguration Message EUTRA report configuration.

Setting	Description
Reporting:	
Report Interval	Select the desired report interval from the drop-down list.

Setting	Description
Report Amount	Select the desired report amount. The Report Amount value establishes the limit (if any) on the number of reports to send.
Event A3:	
A3 Offset RSRP	Specify the RSRP (Reference Signal Receive Power) offset value for Event A3. Event A3 is triggered when a neighbor cell becomes better than a special cell (SpCell) by an offset value. It provides a handover triggering mechanism based upon relative measurement results: in this case, it will be triggered based on the RSRP of a neighbor cell becoming stronger than the RSRP of the SpCell.
Hysteresis	Specify the hysteresis value for this event.
Time to Trigger	The time duration that the measured offset value must be attained before the handover will be triggered.

### **DRBs Config**

You use the DRBs Config panel to configure one or more Data Radio Bearers (DRBs) for each UE Range. From the panel, you can select a DRB Config for editing and add addition DRB configurations.

To configure DRBs for a UE range:

- 1. Select the range from the **UE RANGES** panel.
- 2. In the **UE RANGE** panel, select **DRBs**. CuSIM opens the DRBs panel, from which you can add, delete, and select DRBs for the selected range of subscribers.

Setting	Description	
DRBs:	DRBs:	
+	Select the <b>Add DRB</b> button to add a new DRB for the selected UE range.	
ı	Select the <b>Delete DRB</b> button to remove this DRB from the selected UE range configuration.	
RLC Mode	RLC Mode identifies the NR RLC Mode.	
	<ul> <li>TR: No RLC Header, Buffering at Tx Only, No Segmentation/Reassembly, No feedback</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>UM: RLC Header, Buffering at both Tx and Rx, Segmentation/Reassembly, No feedback</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>AM: RLC Header, Buffering at both Tx and Rx, Segmentation/Reassembly, Feedback (ACK/NACK)</li> </ul>	
PDCP:	Select to configure the Packet Data Convergence Protocol.	
Uplink Sequence Number Size	The value of the PDCP sequence number for uplink. The length of a PDCP sequence number is either 12 or 18 bits.	

Setting	Description
Downlink Sequence Number Size	The value of the PDCP sequence number for downlink. The length of a PDCP sequence number is either 12 or 18 bits.
SDAP:	Select to configure the Service Data Adaptation Protocol.
Uplink Header	Enable this option if an SDAP header should be included for this DRB for Uplink Data.
	SDAP is responsible for mapping between a quality-of-service flow (QoS Flow) from the 5GCore network and data radio bearer (DRB).
Downlink Header	Enable this option if an SDAP header should be included for this DRB for Downlink Data.

### **DNNs Configuration settings**

In the 5G architecture, a Data Network Name (DNN) serves as the identifier for a data network. It is the equivalent of an APN (Access Point Name) in an LTE network. A DNN is used when selecting an SMF and UPF for a PDU session, selecting an N6 interface for a PDU session, and determining policies to apply to a PDU session.

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#### **DNN** panel

The **DNN** panel contains the configuration settings for an individual DNN. The following table describes the DNN settings:

Setting	Description	
DNNs:		
+	Select the <b>Add DNN</b> button to add a new DNN to your test configuration.	
DNN settings:		
ı	Select the <b>Delete DNN</b> button to remove this DNN from your test configuration.	
DNN	Enter the DNN value for this DNN definition. For example: dnn.keysight.com.	
	A DNN (as is the case with an EPS APN) is composed of two parts:	
	<ul> <li>A mandatory Network Identifier that defines the external network to which the UPF is connected.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>An optional Operator Identifier that defines the PLMN backbone in which the UPF is located.</li> </ul>	

Setting	Description		
	A 5GS Data Network Name (DNN) is equivalent to an EPS APN. It is a reference to a data network, and it may be used to select an SMF or UPF for a PDU session and to determine policies applicable to the PDU session.		
	The DNN field supports dynamic values. These values can be obtained with a sequence generator. The sequence can be added anywhere in the DNN name (beginning, middle or end). The syntax is [start_value-end_value,increment].		
	The start_value and end_value must have the same length. For example, we can configure dnn[008-999,1] and obtain dnn008,dnn009,,dnn998,dnn999. Syntaxes dnn[8-999,1] or [008-1000,1] are not valid as the start and end value lengths are different.		
	The start value is mandatory. Omitting certain parameters results in behaviors as exemplified below:		
	<ul> <li>dnn[4-9,] an implicit increment of 1 is used</li> </ul>		
	<ul><li>dnn[4-9] as above</li></ul>		
	<ul> <li>dnn[4-,1] is used as dnn[4-9,1], 9 being the maximum value with the configured length, length of 1 in this case</li> </ul>		
	• dnn[4-,] as above		
	• dnn[4-] as above		
	dnn[4] as above		
	UEs will use the DNN values from the pool in a round robin manner.		
	If multiple sequence generators are configured and their pools overlap (for example: dnn[000-600,1].keysight.com dnn[500-999,1].keysight.com), for UEs that use the second DNN pool, the DNN generated values might not be allocated starting with the start_value (they might start with an intermediate value in the second pool).		
Local Ipv4 Address	The UE IP address – This is the UE IP Address assigned to the first UE in this UE range during PDU Session Establishment procedure. For the consecutive UEs, <b>IP Address</b> Increment defined at <b>UE Settings</b> used as an increment value for each UE.		
AMBR	Each DNN configuration has its own AMBR settings as defined below Session AMBR Configuration settings.		
Qos Flows	The 5G QoS model is based on QoS Flows. A 5G QoS Flow is the finest level of granularity for QoS forwarding treatment in the 5G System. All traffic mapped to the same 5G QoS Flow receives the same forwarding treatment.		

## **Session AMBR Configuration settings**

Parameter	Description
Session AMBR Uplink	Specify the DNN session AMBR (Aggregate Maximum Bit Rate) uplink

Parameter	Description
	rate.
Session AMBR Uplink Unit	The unit in which the rate is expressed. The options range from bps to Tbps.
Session AMBR Downlink	Specify the DNN session AMBR (Aggregate Maximum Bit Rate) downlink rate.
Session AMBR Downlink Unit	The unit in which the rate is expressed. The options range from bps to Tbps.

### **QoS Flow Panel**

The 5G QoS model is based on QoS Flows. A 5G QoS Flow is the finest level of granularity for QoS forwarding treatment in the 5G System. All traffic mapped to the same 5G QoS Flow receives the same forwarding treatment.

Accessing the configuration settings:



### **QoS Flow configuration settings**

Setting	Description
Is Default	Select this option if this QoS Flow is associated with the default QoS rule. In the 5G System, a default QoS rule is required for each UE session, and this rule will be associated with a QoS Flow.
QFI	Enter a QoS Flow Identifier (QFI) for this QoS Flow. This identifier will be used to uniquely identify a QoS Flow in the 5G System.
5QI	Specify the 5QI value (decimal number). 5G QoS Identifier (5QI) is a scalar that is used as a reference to 5G QoS characteristics defined in TS 23.501, clause 5.7.4. These are access node-specific parameters that control QoS forwarding treatment for the QoS Flow (such as scheduling weights, admission thresholds, queue management thresholds, link layer protocol configuration, among others). Standardized 5QI values have a oneto-one mapping to a standardized combination of 5G QoS characteristics as specified in TS 23.501, table 5.7.4-1.
5QI Priority	Specify the 5QI Priority Level for this QoS Profile. 5QI Priority Level is a Policy

Setting	Description
Level	Control parameter that accepts values from 1 through 127 (where 1 is the highest priority). It indicates a priority in scheduling resources among QoS Flows.
Resource Type	Select the type of resource that the QoS Flow requires: Guaranteed Bit Rate (GBR), Non-Guaranteed Bit Rate, or Delay Critical GBR. The Resource Type determines whether dedicated network resources related to a QoS Flowlevel Guaranteed Flow Bit Rate (GFBR) value are permanently allocated to the flow.
Averaging Window	Specify the Averaging window value for this 5GI. Each GBR QoS Flow is associated with an Averaging window. It represents the time duration (specified in milliseconds) over which the GFBR and MFBR are calculated.
QoS Rule Preference	Specify the desired QoS Rule Precedence value for this QFI. The QoS rule precedence value (and the PDR precedence value) determines the order in which a QoS rule or a PDR, respectively, will be evaluated. The evaluation of the QoS rules or PDRs is performed in increasing order of their precedence value.
DRB	Specify the DRB Id, this QoS Flow should be carried on. Data Radio Bearer with assigned DRB Id, will be created when this QoS Flow is created. Currently one QoS Flow per DRB is supported. Please refer to section DRBs Config
ARP	See QoS Flow ARP configuration settings.
MBR	See QoS Flow MBR configuration settings.
GBR	See QoS Flow GBR configuration settings.

#### **QoS Flow ARP configuration settings**

The Allocation and Retention Priority (ARP) settings specify the priority level, preemption capability, and preemption vulnerability of a resource request. It is used to determine whether a new QoS Flow should be accepted or rejected—and to determine whether an existing QoS Flow can be preempted by another QoS Flow—in response to resource limitations.

The QoS Flow ARP settings are described in the table that follows.

Parameter	Description
ARP Priority Level	Specify the ARP priority level.  The ARP Priority Level defines the relative importance of a resource request, where 1 is the highest priority and 15 is the lowest priority.
Preemption Capability	Select this option if the packets in this QoS Flow can preempt other flows. When a flow is preemption-capable, it can be allocated resources that were already assigned to another data flow that has a lower ARP priority level.
Preemption Vulnerability	Select this option if the packets in this QoS Flow are candidates for being preempted by other flows. When a flow is preemption-vulnerable, it can be dropped to free up resources for packets that have a higher ARP priority level.

#### **Qos Flow MBR configuration settings**

MBR indicates the maximum bit rates allowed for service data flows that are mapped to this QoS flow. Separate MBR values are configured for uplink and downlink traffic.

The QoS Flow MBR settings are described in the table that follows:

Parameter	Description
Uplink Bitrate Unit	Select the uplink bitrate unit from the drop-down list.
Uplink Bitrate Value	Set the maximum bit rate value for uplink traffic.
Downlink Bitrate Unit	Select the downlink bitrate unit from the drop-down list.
Downlink Bitrate Value	Set the maximum bit rate value for downlink traffic.

#### **Qos Flow GBR configuration settings**

GBR indicates the guaranteed bit rates for service data flows that are mapped to this QoS flow. Separate GBR values are configured for uplink and downlink traffic.

The QoS Flow GBR settings are described in the table that follows:

Parameter	Description
Uplink Bitrate Unit	Select the uplink bitrate unit from the drop-down list.
Uplink Bitrate Value	Set the maximum bit rate value for uplink traffic.
Downlink Bitrate Unit	Select the downlink bitrate unit from the drop-down list.
Downlink Bitrate Value	Set the maximum bit rate value for downlink traffic.

#### CHAPTER 11

# **UE Test Objective settings**

In a CuSIM test, an *objective* is a set of performance and event targets that the test is attempting to achieve. The objectives are individually configured for a given UE range. A test, therefore, may have multiple UE ranges each of which is attempting to achieve a specific set of objectives.

Each UE UE range defines its own test objectives. The objectives specify the properties of the application traffic that the UEs in the range will generate and transmit over the user plane. Each range can define one or more types of application traffic.

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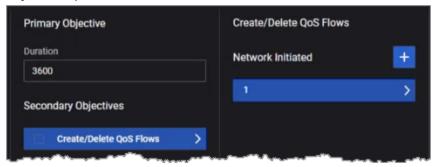
## **Control Plane panel**

You configure Control Plane Objectives for each individual UE range. They are structured as Primary and Secondary objectives, wherein the primary objective defines the event durations and the secondary objective is—in the current release—focused on creating and deleting QoS flows.

#### **Defining control plane objectives**

To define the actions for your Control Plane Objectives:

- 1. Select the desired UE from the **UE** panel. This opens the Range panel.
- 2. In the Range panel, click **Control Plane** in the Objectives section. This opens the control plane objectives panel.



3. Add objectives:

In the control plane objectives panel, specify the desired *Duration* for the **Primary Objective**, in seconds.



The *Duration* is the period of time during which the defined secondary objectives are to be sustained.

- b. Click Create/Delete QoS Flows to open the configuration panel
- c. Click the **Add Objective** icon to add a Network Initiated objective. This opens the **Objective** panel.
- d. In the **Objective** panel, Configure the values, as described in <u>Create/Delete QoS Flows on the facing page</u>.

### **Create/Delete QoS Flows**

When you configure a **Create/Delete QoS Flows** secondary objective, each of the active subscribers configured for the primary objective attempts to meet the requirements defined by the QoS Flow ID. The selected flows will be created following a configured *Delay* value, and deleted when the configured *Interval* expires.

#### **Secondary Objective parameters**

The following table describes the network-initiated QoS flows secondary objective parameters.

Parameter	Description	
Create/Delete	Create/Delete QoS Flows:	
+	Select the <b>Add Objective</b> button to add an instance of this objective.	
Objective:		
圃	Select the <b>Delete Objective</b> button to delete this Secondary Objective from your test configuration.	
Iterations	The number of times this procedure runs for each UE. If set to zero, it iterates continuously.	
Rate	The rate at which procedures are initiated, measured in procedures initiated per second.	
	Using higher values for this parameters requires a large number of UEs configured in the test in order to achieve the desired rate.	
Distributed over (s)	Used to configure procedure rate less than 1/sec. Example: if configured as 3, test will execute one procedure every 3 seconds.	
Max Outstanding	The maximum number of procedures that may be outstanding while new procedures are being started. If the number of outstanding procedures reaches this limit, no new procedures may be started until the outstanding procedures have successfully started.	
Delay(s)	The number of seconds to wait before starting the secondary objective, from the start of sustain time.	
Interval	Interval between the triggering of creation and deletion of the QoS flow, in seconds.	
DNN	Select the DNN value fror the drop-down list. For example: dnn.keysight.com.	
QoS Flow ID	Select the QoS Flows ID(s) from the drop-down list.	

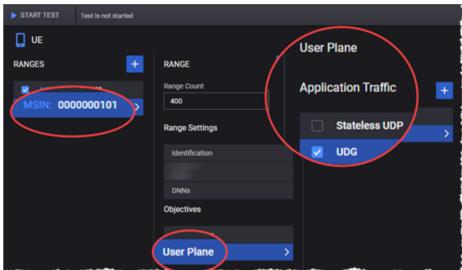
## **User Plane panel**

The User Plane Objectives focus on the rate and volume of user plane traffic that the simulated UEs are sending to the network. You define separate User Plane objectives for each UE range. Based on your test requirements, the configuration of the User Plane Objectives involve settings for the traffic generators on the UE.

#### Defining user plane objectives

To define application traffic items for your User Plane Objectives:

- 1. Select the desired UE from the **UE** panel. This opens the Range panel.
- 2. In the Range panel, click **User Plane** in the Objectives section. This opens the **User Plane** panel.



- 3. Add application traffic items:
  - a. In the User Plane panel, click the **Add Objective** icon. This opens the **Data** panel.
  - b. In the Data panel, select the desired Application Type: Data or USG.
  - c. Configure the values, as described in the user plane traffic settings topics.

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#### **Data Traffic**

To define the Data application type, select or create an Application Traffic item in the User Plane panel and select Data as the Application Type. This topic describes the Data application traffic parameters.

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#### **Data Traffic settings**

The following table describes the Application Traffic generation parameters for the Data application type.

Parameter	Description
圃	Click the <b>Delete Objective</b> button to remove the application traffic item from your test configuration.
Application Type	Select the type of traffic you want to generate. In this case, this parameter must be set to <b>Data</b> .
Label	Assign this traffic instance a unique label.
MSS	The desired Maximum Segment Size (MSS) for the user plane traffic that will be generated for this UE range, specified in bytes.
L7 Server IP Address	The IP address of the L7 Server.
L7 Server IP Address Count	The number of L7 Server IP addresses to generate. The L7 Server IP addresses are sequentially increased by 1.
TCP Settings	Select <u>TCP Settings on the next page</u> to configure the TCP settings for this instance of the Data application type.
UDP Settings	Select <u>UDP Settings on the next page</u> to configure the UDP settings for this instance of the Data application type.
Application Traffic Flows	Each Application Traffic entry requires at least one traffic flow definition and can support multiple such definitions.
	<ul> <li>To select an existing traffic flow definition, click its name to open the Flow panel where you can view and modify the flow settings.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>To add another traffic flow, click the Add Flow button. UI will open the Flow panel where you will select the flow type and configure the flow settings.</li> </ul>
	The Application Traffic Flows are described in <u>Application Traffic Flows on page 93</u> (below).

### **TCP Settings**

The following table describes the Data Application Traffic TCP settings.

Setting	Description
Min Retransmission Timeout (ms)	The lowest value (in ms) to which the computed RTO timer value can be set. Expiry of the RTO timer indicates that the sender has not received an acknowledgment for the transmission, which triggers a retransmission of the segment. Upon each retransmission, the RTO timer value is doubled, up to the Max value.
Max Retransmission Timeout (ms)	The highest value (in ms) to which the computed RTO timer value can be set.
Receive Buffer Size	The default size of the receive buffer (in bytes). This parameter affects the TCP receive window size. If you increase the size of the receive buffer, then the receive window is prolonged. If you are experiencing high latency on your test network, increase the size of the receive buffer to improve the throughput.
Transmission Buffer Size	The default size of the transmit buffer (in bytes). This parameter affects the TCP transmit window size. If you increase the size of the transmit buffer, the transmit window is prolonged. If you are experiencing high latency on your test network, increase the size of the transmit buffer to improve the throughput.
Min Source Port	The source port specifies which ports are used for client connections. The Min value specifies the lower bound (the lowest permissible port number).
Max Source Port	The Max value specifies the upper bound (the highest permissible port number).
Selective Acknowledgments	Enable this option to enable the Selective Acknowledgment (SACK) option in the TCP packets.

## **UDP Settings**

The following table describes the UDG Application Traffic UDP settings.

Setting	Description
Receive Buffer Size	The UDP receive buffer size, in bytes.
Transmission Buffer Size	The UDP transmission buffer size, in bytes.
Min Source Port	The source port specifies which ports are used for client connections. The Min value specifies the lower bound (the lowest permissible port number).

Setting	Description
Max Source Port	The Max value specifies the upper bound (the highest permissible port number).

### **Application Traffic Flows**

You can add and delete traffic flows as needed to meet your test objectives. The Application Traffic Flow parameters are described in the following table.

Parameter	Description	
ı	Click the <b>Dele</b>	te Flow button to remove the flow from your configuration.
Transport Protocol available for	protocols are	nsport protocol to carry this application traffic flow. The available TCP, TLS, and UDP. The transport protocol that you select e availability of the Flow Types.
Data	Protocol	Supported Types
	ТСР	HTTP Get, HTTP Put, HTTP Post, FTP
	TLS	HTTP Get, HTTP Put, HTTP Post
	UDP	UDP Bidirectional (a flow in which a UDP client communicates with a server over a bidirectional datagram socket)
Туре	Select the L4/L7 protocol type from the list of pre-defined flows. The available types are determine by the chosen L4 protocol, and include:  • HTTP GET, HTTP PUT, and HTTP POST  • UDP Bidirectional  • FTP	
Port	The server (destination) port used by the flow.	
Page Size	The page size represents the size of the web page or data file that will be retrieved from or stored to an HTTP or HTTPS server.	
Tx Packets Count	Enter the number of transmit packets to include in the flow. This settings is available for UDP flows only.	
Rx Packets Count		ber of Receive packets to include in the flow. This settings is IDP flows only.
URL	The URL that is being accessed by the flow's protocol.  This setting is available for TCP and TLS protocols only.	
DNN ID		N for this flow. The DNNs are configured in the UE Range Settings uration settings on page 82)

Parameter	Description
QoS Flow ID	The identifier for this quality-of-service flow (QoS Flow).

#### **UDG Traffic**

This topic describes the User Data Generator (UDG) Traffic settings.

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### **Synthetic panel**

The following table describes the User Data Generator (UDG) Traffic parameters, which are configured on the **Synthetic** panel.

Parameter	Description
Application Type	Select the type of traffic you want to generate. In this case, this parameter must be set to <b>UDG</b> .
Label	Assign this traffic instance a unique label.
MSS	The desired Maximum Segment Size (MSS) for the user plane traffic that will be generated for this UE range, specified in bytes.
Delay application traffic start (ms)	The time (in milliseconds) to wait before starting the application traffic flows.
IP Preference	Select the IP address preference: <b>IPv4</b> or <b>IPv6</b> .
TCP Settings	Refer to TCP Settings on the facing page below.
UDP Settings	Refer to UDP Settings on the facing page below.
Traffic Flow:	
Application Traffic Flows	Each UDG Application Traffic entry requires an NUDG traffic flow entry. NUDG is the UDG peer on the network side. Refer to <a href="Traffic Flow on page 96">Traffic Flow on page 96</a> for descriptions of the NUDG traffic flow settings below.

### **TCP Settings**

The following table describes the UDG Application Traffic TCP settings.

Setting	Description
Min Retransmission Timeout (ms)	The lowest value (in ms) to which the computed RTO timer value can be set. Expiry of the RTO timer indicates that the sender has not received an acknowledgment for the transmission, which triggers a retransmission of the segment. Upon each retransmission, the RTO timer value is doubled, up to the Max value.
Max Retransmission Timeout (ms)	The highest value (in ms) to which the computed RTO timer value can be set.
Receive Buffer Size	The default size of the receive buffer (in bytes). This parameter affects the TCP receive window size. If you increase the size of the receive buffer, then the receive window is prolonged. If you are experiencing high latency on your test network, increase the size of the receive buffer to improve the throughput.
Transmission Buffer Size	The default size of the transmit buffer (in bytes). This parameter affects the TCP transmit window size. If you increase the size of the transmit buffer, the transmit window is prolonged. If you are experiencing high latency on your test network, increase the size of the transmit buffer to improve the throughput.
Min Source Port	The source port specifies which ports are used for client connections. The Min value specifies the lower bound (the lowest permissible port number).
Max Source Port	The Max value specifies the upper bound (the highest permissible port number).
Selective Acknowledgments	Enable this option to enable the Selective Acknowledgment (SACK) option in the TCP packets.

## **UDP Settings**

The following table describes the UDG Application Traffic UDP settings.

Setting	Description
Receive Buffer Size	The default size of the receive buffer (in bytes). This parameter affects the UDP receive window size. If you increase the size of the receive buffer, then the receive window is prolonged. If you are experiencing high latency on your test network, increase the size of the receive buffer to improve the throughput.
Transmission Buffer Size	The default size of the transmit buffer (in bytes). This parameter affects the UDP transmit window size. If you increase the size of the transmit buffer, the transmit window is prolonged. If you are experiencing high latency on your test network, increase the size of the transmit buffer to improve the throughput.

Setting	Description
Min Source Port	The source port specifies which ports are used for client connections. The Min value specifies the lower bound (the lowest permissible port number).
Max Source Port	The Max value specifies the upper bound (the highest permissible port number).

## **Traffic Flow**

The following tables describes the NUDG traffic flow settings.

The following settings are configured on the **Flow** panel, once you select NUDG from the Synthetic panel.

Parameter	Description
Transport Protocol	Select the desired transport protocol to use for this NUDG traffic flow: TCP or UDP
Out of Band Signaling	Select this option to allow the UDG signaling to be carried on a different path with respect to the data path, directly between the UUDG (UDG client on the UE side) to the NUDG (UDG Network side peer).
	When you enable this option, CuSIM opens an Out of Band Signaling panel in which you specify the address values for the out of band channel.
Port	Enter the port number for this traffic flow.
QoS Flow ID	The identifier for this quality-of-service flow (QoS Flow).

#### CHAPTER 12

# Manage and use test sessions

When you create a new test, CuSIM establishes a *test session* which remains available until such time as you decide to delete it (if ever). This way, you can access existing test configurations to change the settings and to view details, or to re-run a test session.

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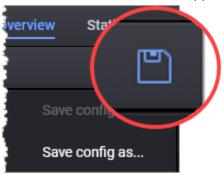
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### Save test sessions

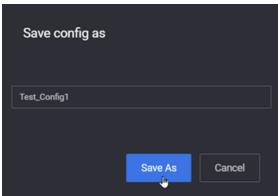
Once a test is configured (for details, refer to <u>Create a new test config on page 16</u>), you can record its configuration as a session, edit and save it for future use.

To save a configuration file, do the following:

1. Click the **Save** icon from the upper-right corner of the **Test Overview** page.

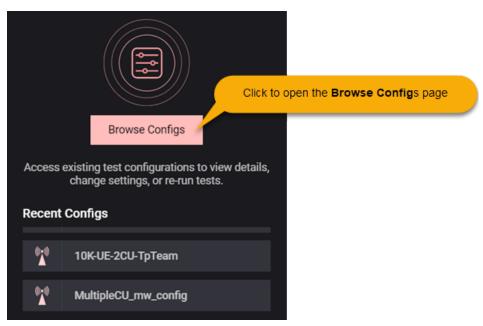


- 2. Choose one of the following:
  - a. Either **Save config** to quickly save your test configuration.
  - b. Or, **Save config as** to save your test configuration with a specific name; then enter a name for the test configuration and click the **Save as** button.



## Manage test sessions

Managing saved tests is done on the **Browse Configs** page. To access the page, click the **Browse Configs** button from the main CuSIM Dashboard.



The **Recent Configs** list contains default configurations plus previously loaded configurations. If you select one of the configurations (by clicking it) a new session is created with this configuration loaded inside of it.



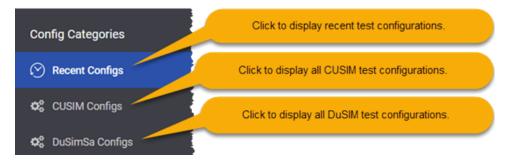
If the selected configuration is already opened in an existing session, a message is displayed allowing you to open that session or to create a new session based on the selected test configuration.

The **Browse Configs** page is split into two main sections, each one having a specific role in handling your tests configurations:

- View configuration categories on the next page
- Manage configurations on the next page

#### View configuration categories

The **Config Categories** area allows you to switch between displaying your recent test configurations or displaying them based on their category.



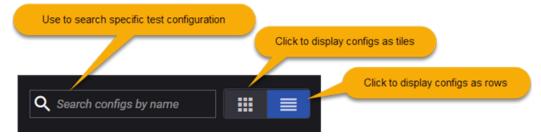
NOTE

The **Recent Configs** category displays only the last twenty configurations in chronological order, the first being the most recent from all the categories listed above. In order to see all of your tests, you can display them sorted by category, by selecting a specific test category under **Recent Configs**.

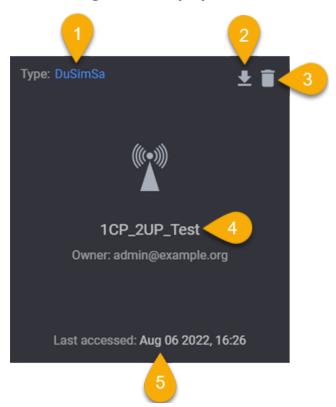
#### Manage configurations

On this section, CuSIM displays your test configurations suite, offering you details on the specific test configuration and allowing you to delete it or to export it.

For each test category, test configurations can be displayed as tiles or rows.

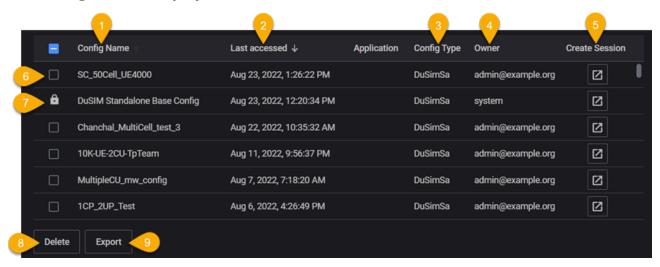


### A test configuration displayed as a tile



1	Indicates the test type
2	Click the button to export the test configuration
3	Click the button to delete the test configuration
4	Details on the test name and test owner
5	Timestamp of the last test session

#### Test configurations displayed as rows



1	Details on the test name
2	Timestamp of the last test session
3	Indicates the test type
4	Indicates the test owner
5	Click the button to create a session based on the configuration
6	Use to select a test configuration
7	Indicates a base configuration  NOTE  For the base configurations, the test owner is system.
8	Click the button to delete the test configuration
9	Click the button to export the test configuration

## **Import and export sessions**

You can import and export test configurations by clicking the **Import** or **Export all** buttons which are found on the **Config Categories** area of the **Browse Configs** page.

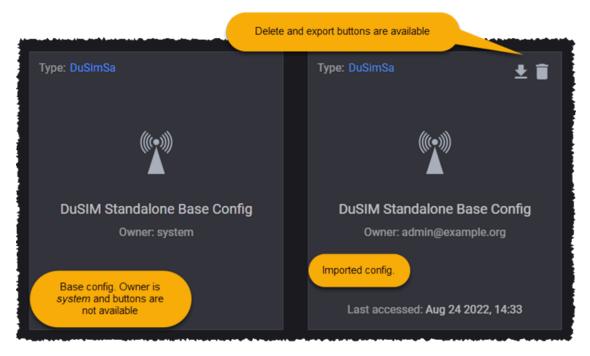


#### **Import test configurations**

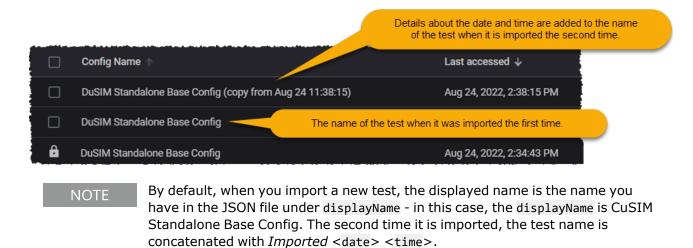
To import a saved test configuration from disk, do the following:

- 1. From the **Dashboard** page, click the **Browse Configs** button. The **Browse Configs** page appears.
- 2. From the **Test Categories** section, click the **Import** button.
- 3. Select the test configuration you want to import from the ones available at your download location.
- 4. Click **Open** to add the test configuration to the dashboard.

Imported tests can have any name, even the name of the base configuration tests. You can differentiate between a base configuration test and an imported test by the icons on the top-right corner of the test tile. The imported test is a user test that has the delete and export buttons on the top-right corner of the test tile. Also, each test will display the name of the test owner.



If a test is imported twice with the same name, the second time the test name will be displayed with details about the date and time of the import.



#### **Export a saved test configuration**

To export a saved configuration, do the following:

- 1. From the **Dashboard** page, click the **Browse Configs** button. The **Browse Configs** page appears.
- 2. From the **Test Categories** section, select the category containing the test to be downloaded.
- 3. Select the test configuration you want to download and click the **Export** button. When in tile view mode, click the **Download** button from the test tile.
- 4. Specify the download file name and select the download location.
- 5. Click **OK** to download the test configuration.

NOTE The configuration file is exported as a JSON file.

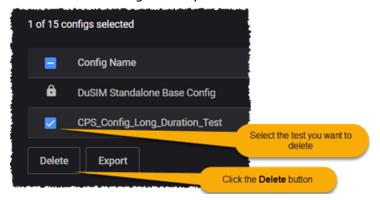
## **Delete configs and sessions**

The terms *test config* and *test session* are not entirely synonymous. A "config" refers to a configuration definition file (JSON format), whereas a "session" is an instance of that file that is loaded in memory and is capable of being run.

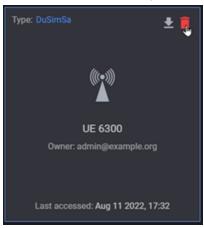
#### How to delete a CuSIM config

To delete a saved configuration from the **Browse Configs** page, do the following:

- 1. From the **Dashboard** page, click the **Browse Configs** button. The **Browse Configs** page appears.
- 2. From the **Test Categories** section, select the category containing the test to be deleted.
- 3. Select the test configuration you want to delete and click the **Delete** button.



When in tile view mode, click the **Delete** button from the test tile .



This will delete the configuration from the database, but not the session itself.

#### Important notes

Before deleting a session, be aware of the following application behaviors:

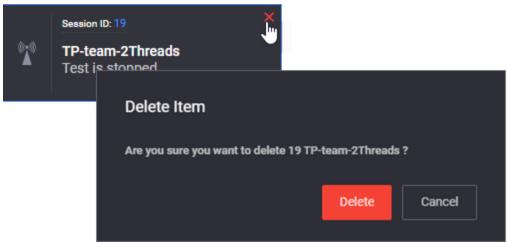
- The session will be permanently removed and cannot be recovered.
- However, when you delete a session, the session's config is not deleted. Therefore, you can create new sessions based on that config.

• If you have a session open, and you delete the config upon which the session is based, the session is not deleted. Therefore, you can open the session and save a new config from it.

#### How to delete a Keysight Open RAN Simulators, Cloud Edition 5.0.1 session

You can also delete a test session from the Dashboard:

- 1. Go to the **Dashboard**. (Click the Keysight logo from any point in the interface to return to the dashboard page.)
- 2. Locate the tile for the session that you plan to delete, then click the **X** in the upper right corner. Keysight Open RAN Simulators, Cloud Edition 5.0.1 opens a confirmation dialog.



3. Select **Delete** to confirm the action.

### CHAPTER 13

# **Manage CuSIM licenses**

CuSIM is a licensed product. You can manage licenses using either the integrated CuSIM License Manager or a centralized License server that is managed by your organization.

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# **Licensing Requirements**

The license server is shipped as a separate .ova file.

After deploying the .ova, you will have access to a web interface for the license server (for example: https://10.38.156.169).

#### You can:

- · activate licenses by selecting the Activate button,
- · sync licenses,
- generating a license request bin file by selecting **Offline Operations** and then **Generate Request**,
- import offline licenses by selecting Offline Operations and then Import Licenses,
- · check the license statistics,
- deactivate Licenses by selecting the **Deactivate** button.

After activation, the licenses and features will be available in the CuSIM web UI.

## License Manager

The first time you use CuSIM, you need to active at least one license. You activate and manage your licenses using the CuSIM **License Manager** functions, which are accessed from the setup menu.

- How to open License Manager below
- Activate a license below
- Deactivate a license below
- · Sync licenses below
- Reserve a license on the next page
- Get license statistics on the next page
- Perform offline license operations on the next page

### **How to open License Manager**

To access the CuSIM License Manager:

- 1. Select **Administration** from the setup menu (\*).
- 2. Select **License Manager** (from the **Adminstration** menu).

#### Activate a license

To activate one or more CuSIM licenses:

- 1. Select **Administration** from the setup menu (\*), then select **License Manager**.
- 2. Select Activate licenses.
  - CuSIM opens the **Activate Licenses** dialog.
- Enter your license data in the dialog box.
   You can use either activation codes or entitlement codes (one or more ).
- 4. Select **Load Data**, indicate the number of licenses you want to activate, then click **Activate**.

Your new licenses—which should now be listed in the License Manager page—are now available for running tests.

#### **Deactivate a license**

To activate one or more CuSIM licenses:

- 1. Select **Administration** from the setup menu (\*), then select **License Manager**.
- 2. Select **Deactivate licenses**, then and indicate a new quantity for each of the existing licenses.
- 3. Select **Perform the Activation** to complete the task.

#### Sync licenses

To synchronize one or more CuSIM licenses:

- Select Administration from the setup menu (\*), then select License Manager.
- 2. Select Sync licenses.

#### Reserve a license

To reserve one or more CuSIM licenses:

- Select Administration from the setup menu (\*), then select License Manager.
- 2. Select the **Manage Reservation** icon. CuSIM opens a new window.
- 3. Select the license you wish to reserve.
- 4. Enter the number of desired licenses in **New Reserved Count** field.
- 5. Enter the duration of the reservation (in hours) in the **Duration to Reserve** field.

NOTE

The License Statistics display shows all reserved features, ordered by count and reserved time. The initial reserved count and duration is overwritten when a new reservation is performed.

#### Get license statistics

To activate one or more CuSIM licenses:

- 1. Select **Administration** from the setup menu (\*), then select **License Manager**.
- 2. Select **License statistics**.

#### Perform offline license operations

Offline license management is required for cases in which your test network is operating in an isolated environment with no Internet access. To perform offline CuSIM license operations:

- 1. Select **Administration** from the setup menu (\*), then select **License Manager**.
- Select Offline operations.
   CuSIM opens the Keysight Licensing Offline Operations dialog.
- 3. Click **Generate request**.
- 4. Using a system that has Internet connectivity, access the KSM Offline Operations Page, and follow the steps provided for the desired operation.
- 5. From your offline system, return to the **Keysight Licensing Offline Operations** dialog, then click **Import license**.
- 6. Click **Finish** to complete the task.

## License server

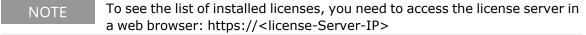
Rather than using the internal CuSIM License Manager, you can use a centralized License server that is managed by your organization.

#### Add a License Server

To add a license server in the CuSIM web UI:

- 1. Log in the CuSIM web UI.
- 2. Under the Settings Menu (\*), select License Servers.

The dialog shows the license server currently used.



- 3. Enter the license server IP address in the empty license server field, then select the Add button (+) next to the field.
- 4. Select **CLOSE** to confirm your action and close the License server dialog.

#### Remove a License Server

To remove a license server that was previously added in the CuSIM web UI:

- 1. Log in the CuSIM web UI.
- Under the Settings menu (\*), select License servers.
   The license servers dialog opens. listing the previously-set license servers.
- 3. Select the **Delete** button next to the license server that you want to remove.
- 4. Select **CLOSE** to confirm your action and close the License server dialog.

#### Activate a license

To activate one or more CuSIM licenses:

- From the Setting menu (), select Application Settings.
   CuSIM opens the Applications Settings dialog.
- 2. Select a License Provider from the drop-down list.
- 3. Enter the IP address in the License Server IP field.
- 4. Click Update.

#### CHAPTER 14

## Manage CuSIM users

Managing the users who can access the application is one of the primary CuSIM administrative requirements.

- User categories below
- · Creating users below
- Reset a user's password on the next page
- Disable a user account on the next page
- Delete a user account on the next page
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#### User categories

CuSIM user accounts can be of one of the following types:

- Administrative user: Can access the Access Control functions and perform various administrative tasks, including the definition and management of other user accounts.
- Regular user: Can access the application and use all of the resources involved in test creation, execution, and analysis.

#### Creating users

Each user who requires access to the CuSIM application must have a user account. To add a user:

- Select the settings menu ( ) and then select User Management.
   CuSIM opens the Keycloak Admin Console in a new browser tab.
- 2. Select **Users** from the list of **Manage** functions (in the navigation pane).
- 3. Select the **Add user** button.
- 4. Enter the required information in the **Add user** form, then select the **Save** button.

The following values are required for the new user:

- Username (which must be unique within the realm).
- · Email address
- First and Last Name
- User Enabled set to ON.
- 5. Select the Save button.

CuSIM adds the user and displays that user's information in the **Details** tab.

6. Set the initial password for the user:

- a. Select the Credentials tab.
- b. Enter the *Password*.
- c. Re-enter the password in the *Password Confirmation* field.
- d. Set Temporary ON if the user will be required to change the password upon initial log in.
- e. Select the **Set Password** button.CuSIM displays a confirmation dialog.
- f. Select the **Set Password** button to confirm the action.

### Reset a user's password

Administrative users can reset a user's password:

- Select the settings menu ( ) and then select User Management.
   CuSIM opens the Keycloak Admin Console in a new browser tab.
- 2. Select **Users** from the list of **Manage** functions.
- 3. Select the user.
- 4. Select the Credentials tab.
- 5. Enter the new *Password*.
- 6. Re-enter the new password in the *Password Confirmation* field.
- 7. Set Temporary ON if the user will be required to change the password upon initial log in.
- Select the **Reset Password** button. CuSIM displays a confirmation dialog.
- 9. Select the **Reset Password** button to confirm the action.

#### Disable a user account

Administrative users can temporarily disable a user's account:

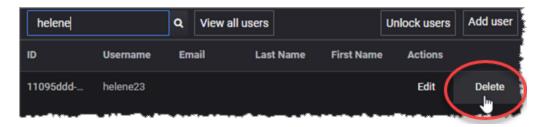
- Select the settings menu ( ) and then select User Management.
   CuSIM opens the Keycloak Admin Console in a new browser tab.
- 2. Select **Users** from the list of **Manage** functions.
- 3. Select the user.
- 4. Set *User Enabled* to **OFF**.

This user account will not be able to log in until the account access is set to **ON**.

#### **Delete a user account**

Administrative users can reset a user's password:

- Select the settings menu ( ) and then select User Management.
   CuSIM opens the Keycloak Admin Console in a new browser tab.
- 2. Select **Users** from the list of **Manage** functions.
- 3. View all users or search for the Username of the account that you will delete.
- 4. Click **Delete**.



- 5. CuSIM opens a confirmation dialog.
- 6. Select **Delete** to confirm that you are permanently deleting this user account.

## Additional user management functions

Additional user management functions are available, in addition to those described in the procedures described above. Most of the functions provide a tool tip that describes it function and usage. For more information about the **Access Control** options and configuration, refer to the official <u>Keycloak documentation</u>.

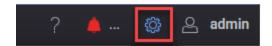
## CHAPTER 15

## **CuSIM** title bar settings

The Open RAN Simulators Cloud Edition title bar provides access to a number of important application, system, and user settings. Each of these is described below.

- Application and system settings below
- Current user settings on page 117
- Events notifications on page 117
- Technical Support and Application Help on page 117

## Application and system settings



The gear icon opens the Settings menu, which provides access to a number of application and system settings, administrative functions, and application resources:

Setting	Description	
Agent Management	Select this option to open the <u>Agent management on page 46</u> window.	
Application Settings	You use the Application Settings to select the type of License Provider that you are using and to set the License Server IP address. The following options are available for <b>License Provider</b> :	
	<ul> <li>External License Server - select this option to set an external license server.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Embedded License Server - the license server that is included in CuSIM MW.</li> </ul>	
	Refer to <u>License Manager on page 109</u> for information about activating and managing licenses.	
User Management	Application Administrators use the User Management settings for all aspects of user management. For detailed information, refer to <a href="ManageCuSIM">Manage CuSIM</a> users on <a href="page 112">page 112</a> .	
Logs Level	You use the Logs Level setting to view and change the log level that it set for the CuSIM Controller. The logs level determines the type of data that are written to the log files:	

Setting	Description	
	Error: Designates messages indicating that an error has occurred that impacts application stability.	
	<ul> <li>Warn: Designates messages indicating that an error has occurred that potentially impacts application stability.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Info: Designates informational messages that highlight the progress of the application at coarse-grained level.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Debug: Designates fine-grained informational events that are most useful for debugging the application.</li> </ul>	
Licensing > License Manager	Select this option to open the <u>License Manager on page 109</u> window.	
Resource Library	The location to which you can import, and from which you can access, your various application resources, including: packet captures, CA certificates, and objects (SIP, HTTP, Media, Flow, and other).	
Data Migration	Allows you to export selected data (such as authentication data and configs) and to import controller data from a migrate package.	
System Monitor	The ORAN SIM CE System Monitor provides tools for monitoring and managing the application's system health. There are two such tools:	
	<ul> <li>Controller Health: Displays CPU, Memory, and storage utilization data over selectable periods of time.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>System Cleanup: Displays the size of the Logs, Diagnostics, and Migration data storage files and permits deletion of any of these.</li> </ul>	
Software	Select this option to open the <b>Software Updates</b> window.	
Updates	To update to a newer version, do the following:	
	<ol> <li>Open the Settings menu (*) and click on Software Updates.</li> </ol>	
	<ol><li>Click Select Packages For Upload and open the folder containing the upgrade file.</li></ol>	
	3. Select the upgrade file and click <b>Open</b> .	
	4. Click <b>Start Update</b> to initiate the update process.	
	<ol><li>If needed, you can remove the update packages from the update section by clicking Reset Current Changes.</li></ol>	

#### Current user settings



The current user settings provide access to the following functions:

- **User Profile**: Opens the Keycloak Account Management page for the current user. This page enables modification of various user settings, including email address, first and last names, among others.
- **Preferences**: Allows you to switch between the two display themes: light mode and dark mode.
- Log out: Log out of your current session.

#### **Events notifications**



The events icon shows the number of event notifications that have been received, and the color of the icon reflects the nature of the events. For example, if the events list contains any Error events, the icon will be red.

Refer to View Notifications and Test Events on page 119 for more information about events.

## **Technical Support and Application Help**



The ? menu provides access to the following functions:

- **Contents**: Access to the REST API browser, an API Reference guide, and a collection of application user guides.
- **Technical Support**: An option to collect diagnostics information, contact Keysight Technical Support personnel, view and accept the Keysight EULA, access software downloads, and open the About Open RAN Simulators Cloud Edition dialog. Refer to Collect Diagnostics on page 121 for more information about collecting diagnostics data.

## CHAPTER 16

# **Troubleshooting**

CuSIM provides a number of tools and methods to help you evaluate, troubleshoot, and correct problems that may arise during test development and execution.

The main debugging tools that CuSIM provides are notification and event management, messages displayed during test execution, test diagnostics data, and log files.

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## **View Notifications and Test Events**

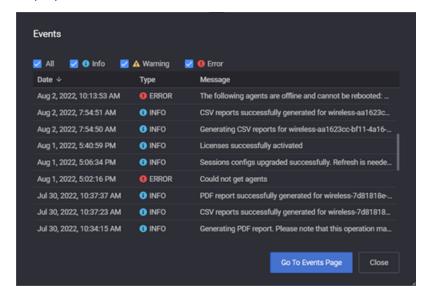
The title bar displays a notifications icon and a counter showing the total number of triggered notifications since the counter was last reset for the current CuSIM instance. The icon and the counter are visible from all the pages of the CuSIM web UI. The notification icon ( ) indicates in real-time the number of registered events.



The icon is color-coded to reflect the most serious event notification that has been received:

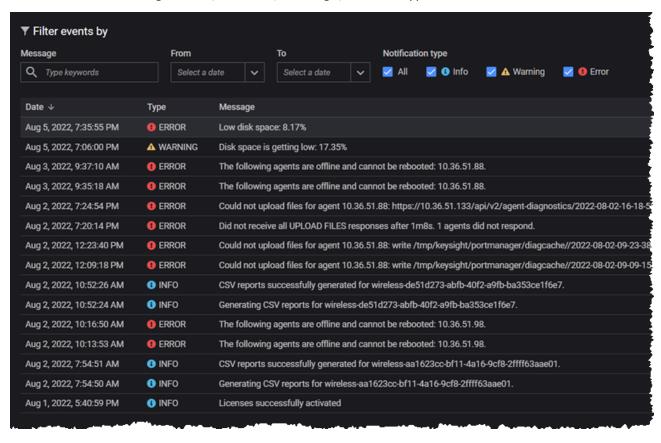
Туре	Description
ERROR	An <i>error</i> notification indicates that an error has occurred that impacts application stability. The application is possibly in an unstable or indeterminate state, and the should either be restarted or should carry out error recovery or re-initialization routines.
WARNING	A warning notification indicates an error has occurred that potentially impacts application stability.
INFO	An <i>info</i> notification indicates a general-purpose notification, such as logging data or a heartbeat indicator.

To view more details on the triggered events, select the notifications icon. The **Events** window is displayed.



Here you can view details on the registered events regarding the logging date, their severity type and description. You can choose to display all events or certain types of events, based on their severity, by selecting or clearing the associated check-box.

To view the events page, click the **Go to Events Page** button. Here you can search for events based on the available filtering criteria, like date, message, or event type.

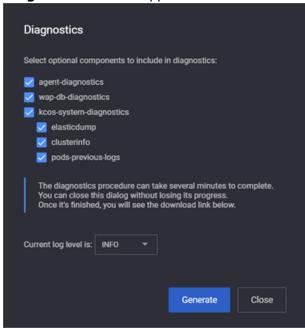


## **Collect Diagnostics**

CuSIM diagnostics tool is used to collect debug logs and other essential information needed in troubleshooting any encountered issues.

To collect diagnostics, do the following:

1. Click on **Collect Diagnostics** in the **Settings** menu. Select the Help icon in the title bar. The **Diagnostics** window appears.



- 2. If needed, select the optional components to include in the diagnostics report.
- 3. Select the log level used to collect diagnostics. Available options are:
  - **ERROR** Designates messages indicating that an error has occurred that impacts application stability.
  - **WARN** Designates messages indicating that an error has occurred that potentially impacts application stability.
  - **INFO** Designates informational messages that highlight the progress of the application at coarse-grained level.
  - DEBUG Designates fine-grained informational events that are most useful for debugging the application.
- 4. Click **Generate**. The diagnostics procedure can take several minutes to complete. Once it is finished, a download link will be displayed.
- 5. Select the download link to retrieve the diagnostics report.

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