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# Cell Search



“procedure by which a UE acquires time and frequency synchronization with a cell and detects the Cell ID of that cell. ”

# 5G Cell

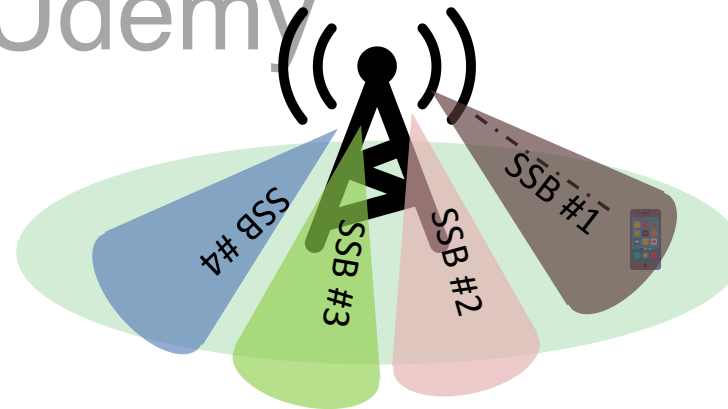
- Primary Synchronization Signal
- Secondary Synchronization Signal
- PBCH

Cell ID

**Sync Signal  
Block (SSB)**

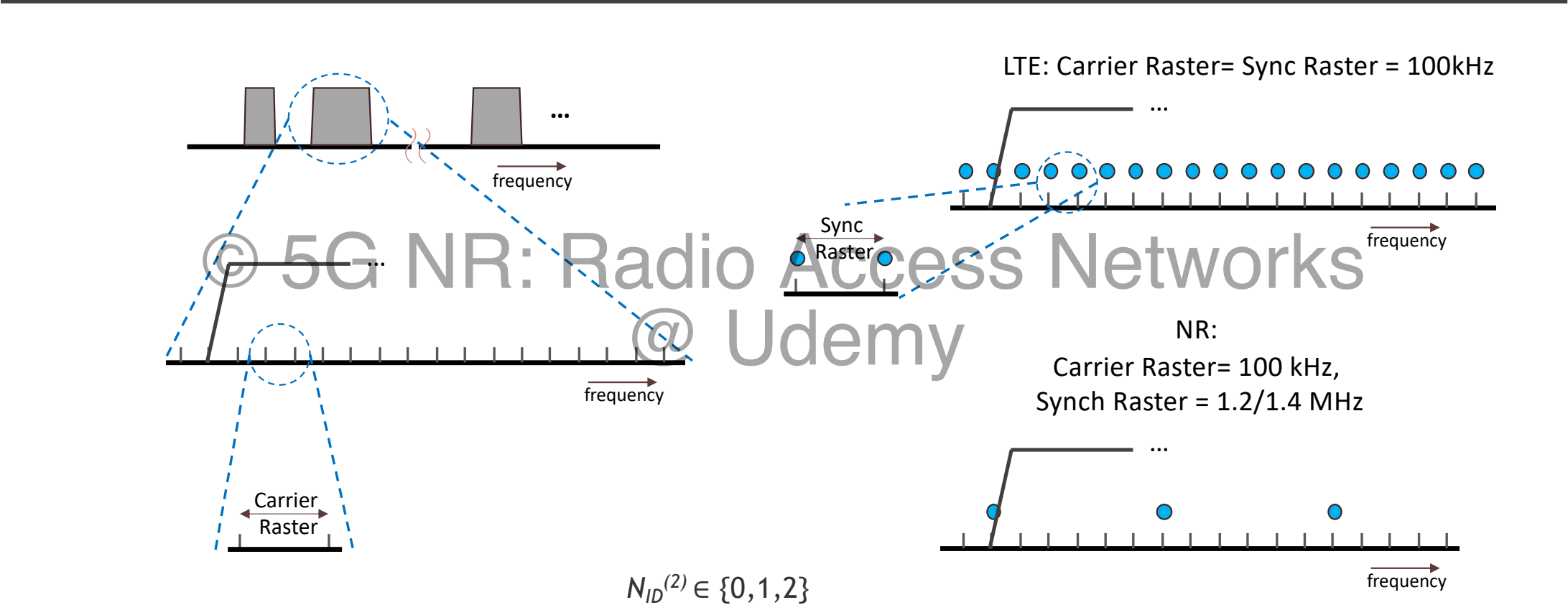
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Physical Cell ID



SSB Burst Set

## 1) Scan for PSS

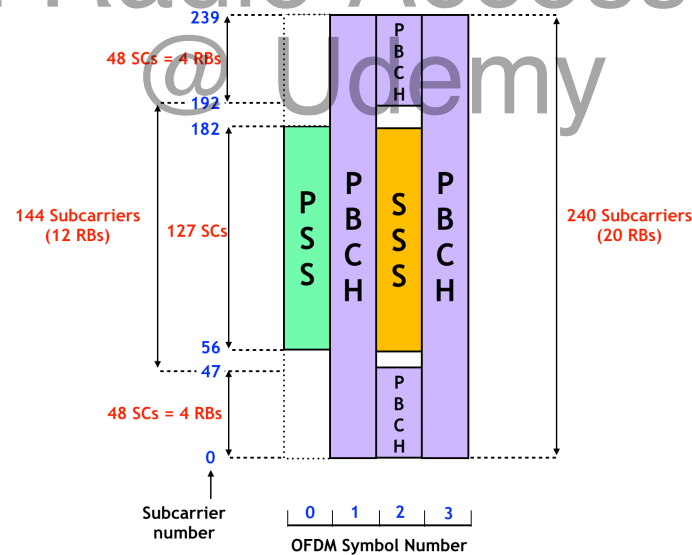


## 2) Scan for SSS

$$N_{ID}^{(1)} \in \{0, 1, \dots, 335\}$$

$$N_{ID}^{Cell} = 3 * N_{ID}^{(1)} + N_{ID}^{(2)}, \text{ 1008 different PCIs}$$

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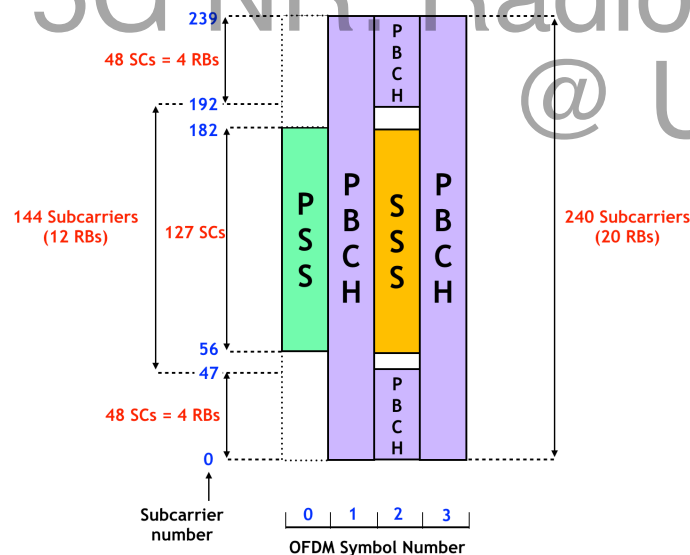


### 3) Decode PBCH for MIB

Minimum System Information

- MIB (Master Information Block)
- SIB 1 (System Information Block 1)

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MIB:

- System bandwidth
- SFN
- Cell Barred
- SCS
- Parameters for SIB 1 acquisition

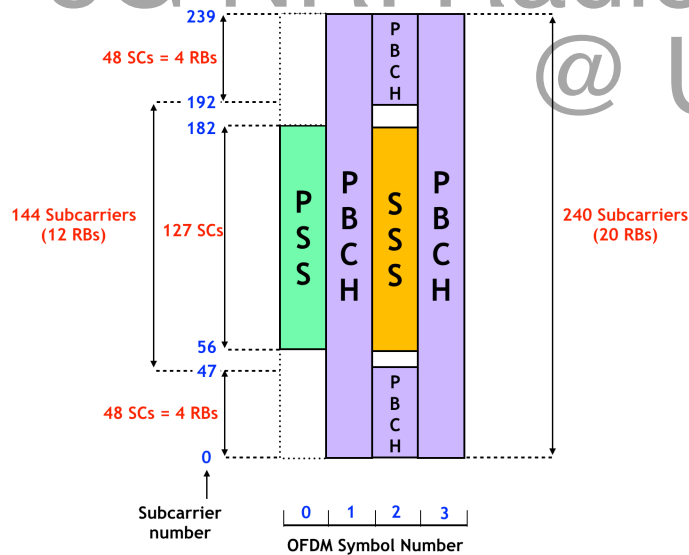
### 3) Decode SIB1

#### Minimum System Information

- MIB (Master Information Block)
- SIB 1 (System Information Block 1)

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RMSI – Remaining Minimum System Information



#### SIB 1:

- Cell Selection Info
- Cell Access Info
- Info about Other SIBs

## 4) Other SIBs

“not necessarily need to know”

- Periodic Transmission
- On-demand

**SIB2 Contents:** Cell re-selection information common for intra-frequency, inter-frequency and/ or inter-RAT

**SIB3 Contents:** Intra frequency cell re-selection information e.g. PCI, q-Offset, q-RxLev, q-Qual, Black cell list.

**SIB4 Contents:** Inter frequency cell re-selection information e.g. NR-ARFCN.

**SIB5 Contents:** Inter system cell re-selection toward LTE e.g. EARFCN

**SIB6 Contents:** Earthquake and Tsunami Warning System primary notifications

**SIB7 Contents:** Earthquake and Tsunami Warning System secondary notifications

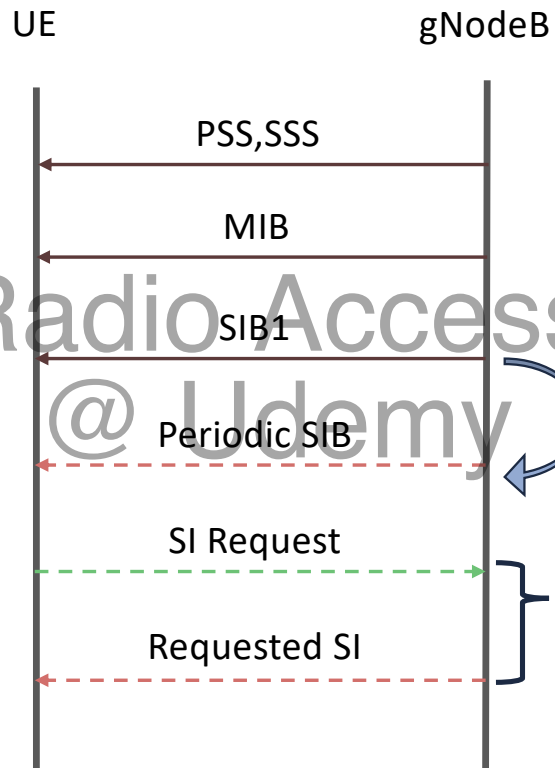
**SIB8 Contents:** Commercial Mobile Alert services (CMAS) notification

**SIB9 Contents:** Timing information for UTC, GPS and local time

UE decides if to camp



# Summary



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