

APPENDIX F: WIFI TIME-AVERAGED SAR VERIFICATION

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F.1 WIFI Time-Averaged SAR Verification Summary

This device supports the manufacturer's time-averaged SAR (TAS) mechanism for WLAN operations. The output power is controlled in real-time so that the power averaged over any 30 second window does not exceed the level tested for SAR in this report. The time-averaged SAR algorithm tracks the energy contribution relative to the available energy budget for each transmitter, defined as the "utilization ratio." Once the utilization ratios for each of the individual WLAN transmitters are calculated, they are summed to derive the overall WLAN system power utilization ratio. This metric is used by the WLAN chipset to manage power levels over time and ensure that SAR limits are never exceeded.

Per FCC Guidance, the following test scenarios were defined to validate the TAS mechanism. The specific scenarios are constructed to validate the operation of the algorithm in all operational states, including transitions between states/antennas:

- Change in antenna (includes connection drop scenario)

Predefined transmit profiles for each test scenario are provided by the manufacturer's test automation software to control the operation of the DUT while synchronized operational data was recorded from internal firmware and external power monitors. The data was plotted over time relative to the utilization limit to demonstrate that the maximum time-averaged power is never exceeded. "Reported" values were output and captured directly from DUT firmware, while "Measured" results were obtained from external power metering. The uncertainty budget applied to the WLAN power control functions for this device is 1.5 dB. In all test cases, WLAN radios were configured to operate at 100% duty cycle.

The DUT supports time-averaged SAR (TAS) technology for the WLAN transmitters. This TAS implementation support per-packet tracking enhancement that accounts for per packet power variation. The actual output power is measured from the TSSI ADC reading and is reported in the form of Tx duration weighted for Pmax. Power levels in different bands with different operating states and power limits are not directly comparable so the TAS algorithm instead tracks the ratio of energy contribution relative to the available energy budget for each transmitter.

WWAN and RLAN energy budgets are fixed to maintain compliance considering simultaneous operation. The independent budgets ensure that differences in averaging windows do not impact the overall compliance of the device.

The other required test scenarios to validate the TAS mechanism are addressed in the Part 1 SAR report.

Table F-1
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Mode	Antenna	Channel	Plim (dBm)	Plim (mW)
802.11ax, 160 MHz Bandwidth	5b	207	13.25	21.1
802.11ax, 160 MHz Bandwidth	4a	207	10.5	11.2

Plim is the maximum time-averaged output power evaluated for SAR compliance

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F.2 Verification Summary

Scenario 1: Change in Antenna

For this test, the effect on the time-averaging algorithm from a change in the active transmit antenna was evaluated. Figures F-1 and F-2 show a switch of 6 GHz transmissions from Antenna 5b to Antenna 4a at Time = 120 s. The test automation is controlling the WLAN radios to operate at 100% duty cycle. The utilization ratio never exceeds 100% and the average transmit power never exceeds the Plim of each respective antenna.

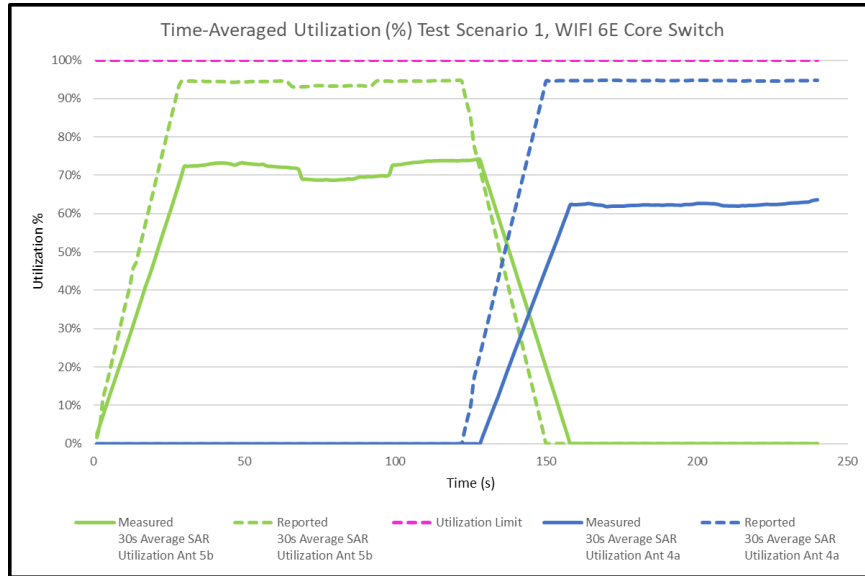


Figure F-1
30s Average SAR Utilization vs. Time, 6 GHz

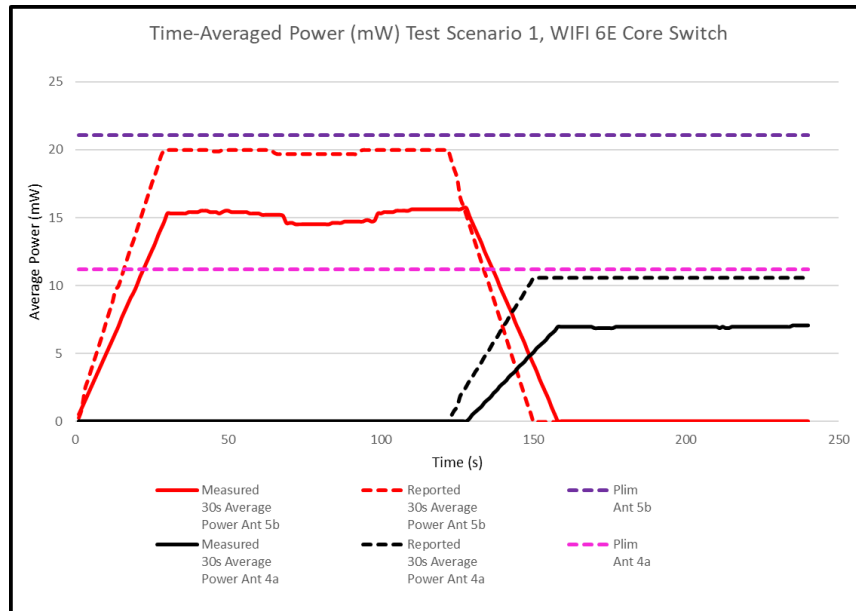


Figure F-2
30s Average Power vs. Time, 6 GHz

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