

CONTROL METHOD FOR DUPLICATE DATA TRANSMISSION FUNCTION, TERMINAL, AND COMPUTER STORAGE MEDIUM

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TECHNICAL FIELD

10 The disclosure relates to wireless communication technology, and particularly to a method for controlling a duplicated data transmission function, a terminal and a computer storage medium.

BACKGROUND

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Under a dual connection architecture, a protocol architecture for a split data radio bearer (DRB) is used for duplicated data transmission, a master cell group (MCG) and a secondary cell group (SCG) respectively send two identical pieces of data to a terminal,, and the terminal discards one piece of data of the two identical pieces of data and transmits the other piece of data to a higher layer.

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A duplicated data transmission function is activated or deactivated under an indication of a bitmap. In the 5G system, under the dual connection architecture, the MCG and the SCG may send media access control (MAC) control elements (CEs) including bitmaps to a terminal respectively. At present, there is no effective solution in the related art about how the terminal selects the bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG and determines correspondences between a bit in the bitmap and the split DRB having the duplicated data transmission function so as to control activation/de-activation of the duplicated data transmission function of the split DRB.

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SUMMARY

In order to solve the existing technical problem, a method for controlling a duplicated data transmission function, a terminal and a computer storage medium are provided according to the embodiments of the disclosure.

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A method for controlling a duplicated data transmission function is provided

according to an embodiment of the disclosure, which includes the following operations.

A terminal determines a bit in a received bitmap based on indication information configured correspondingly to a DRB and/or a preset rule. The bitmap is one of two received bitmaps.

5 The terminal determines to activate/deactivate a duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on an indication in the bit.

In an embodiment, the DRB may be a split DRB configured with the duplicated data transmission function.

10 In an embodiment, the indication information may include an indication identifier and an indication bit.

The operation that the terminal determines the bit in the received bitmap based on the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB may include the following operations.

15 The terminal selects the received bitmap corresponding to an MCG or an SCG for the DRB based on the indication identifier.

The terminal determines the bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit.

In an embodiment, the indication information may include the indication identifier.

20 The operation that the terminal determines the bit in the received bitmap based on the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB and the preset rule may include the following operations.

The terminal selects the received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB based on the indication identifier.

The terminal determines the bit in the bitmap based on an identifier of the DRB.

25 In an embodiment, the DRB may be a non-split DRB configured with the duplicated data transmission function.

In an embodiment, the indication information may include the indication bit.

30 The operation that the terminal determines the bit in the received bitmap based on the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB may include the following operations.

The terminal selects the received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB.

The terminal determines the bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit.

In an embodiment, the operation that the terminal determines the bit in the received bitmap based on the preset rule may include the following operations.

The terminal selects the received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB.

5 The terminal determines the bit in the bitmap based on an identifier of the DRB.

In an embodiment, pieces of indication information configured correspondingly to non-split DRBs of different cell groups have identical or different indication bits.

In an embodiment, the operation that the terminal determines the bit in the bitmap based on the identifier of the DRB may include the following operations.

10 The terminal ranks the identifier of the DRB and an identifier of other DRB and determines the bit in the bitmap based on a position of the identifier of the DRB in a sequence.

Herein, ranking may include ascending ranking or descending ranking.

15 In an embodiment, before the operation that the terminal determines the bit in the received bitmap based on the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB and/or the preset rule, the method may further include the following operation.

The terminal receives a bitmap corresponding to a MAC entity of the MCG and a bitmap corresponding to a MAC entity of the SCG respectively.

20 In an embodiment, the operation that the terminal receives the bitmap corresponding to the MAC entity of the MCG and the bitmap corresponding to the MAC entity of the SCG respectively may include the following operations.

A first MAC entity of the terminal receives a first media access control (MAC) control element (CE) corresponding to the MAC entity of the MCG, and obtains a bitmap in the first MAC CE.

25 A second MAC entity of the terminal receives a second MAC CE corresponding to the MAC entity of the SCG, and obtains a bitmap in the second MAC CE.

In an embodiment, the operation that the terminal determines to activate/deactivate of the duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on the indication in the bit may include the following operation.

30 A Packet Data Convergence Protocol (PDCP) entity of the terminal determines to activate/deactivate the duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on a value of the bit. The PDCP entity corresponds to the DRB.

A terminal is further provided according to an embodiment of the disclosure,

which may include a first determining unit and a second determining unit.

The first determining unit is configured to determine a bit in a received bitmap based on indication information configured correspondingly to DRB and/or a preset rule, wherein the bitmap is one of two received bitmaps.

5 The second determining unit is configured to determine to activate/deactivate a duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on an indication in the bit determined by the first determining unit.

In an embodiment, the DRB may be a split DRB configured with the duplicated data transmission function.

10 In an embodiment, the indication information may include an indication identifier and an indication bit.

The first determining unit may be configured to select the received bitmap corresponding to an MCG or an SCG for the DRB based on the indication identifier, and determine the bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit.

15 In an embodiment, the indication information may include the indication identifier.

The first determining unit may be configured to select the received bitmap corresponding to an MCG or an SCG for the DRB based on the indication identifier, and determine the bit in the bitmap based on an identifier of the DRB.

20 In an embodiment, the DRB may be a non-split DRB configured with the duplicated data transmission function.

In an embodiment, the indication information may include the indication bit.

25 The first determining unit may be configured to select the received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB and determine the bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit.

In an embodiment, the first determining unit may be configured to select the received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB and determine the bit in the bitmap based on the identifier of the DRB.

30 In an embodiment, pieces of indication information configured correspondingly to non-split DRBs of different cell groups have identical or different indication bits.

In an embodiment, the first determining unit may be configured to rank the identifier of the DRB and an identifier of other DRB, and determine the bit in the bitmap based on a position of the identifier of the DRB in a sequence. The ranking includes

ascending ranking or descending ranking.

In an embodiment, the terminal may further include a receiving unit, configured to, before the first determining unit determines the bit in the received bitmap based on the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB and/or the preset rule, receive a bitmap corresponding to an MAC entity of an MCG and a bitmap
5 corresponding to an MAC entity of an SCG.

In an embodiment, the receiving unit may include a first receiving subunit and a second receiving subunit.

The first receiving subunit may be configured to receive, through a first MAC
10 entity, a first MAC CE corresponding to the MAC entity of the MCG, and obtain the bitmap in the first MAC CE.

The second receiving subunit may be configured to receive, through a second MAC entity, a second MAC CE corresponding to the MAC entity of the SCG, and obtain the bitmap in the second MAC CE.

15 In an embodiment, the second determining unit may be configured to determine, through a PDCP entity, to activate/deactivate the duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on a value of the bit. The PDCP entity corresponds to the DRB.

A computer storage medium is further provided according to the embodiments of the disclosure, in which a computer instruction may be stored. The instruction
20 implements the steps in the method for controlling a duplicated data transmission function according to the embodiment of the disclosure when being executed by a processor.

A terminal is further provided according to the embodiments of the disclosure, which includes a communication component configured for data transmission, a
25 memory, a processor and a computer program stored in the memory and capable of being run in the processor. The processor implements the steps in the method for controlling the duplicated data transmission function according to the embodiments of the disclosure when executing the program.

With the method for controlling the duplicated data transmission function, the
30 terminal and the computer storage medium provided in the embodiments of the disclosure, the terminal determines the bit in the received bitmap based on the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB and/or the preset rule, the bitmap is one of the two received bitmaps, and the terminal determines to

activate/deactivate the duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on the indication in the bit. With the technical solutions of the embodiments of the disclosure, the bit in the bitmap is determined based on the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB and/or the preset rule, and the bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG may be determined based on the indication information in a dual connection scenario. Therefore, the duplicated data transmission function of the DRB may be activated/deactivated based on indication about the bit in the bitmap.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

FIG. 1a is a schematic diagram showing a downlink protocol stack architecture of a dual connection system.

FIG. 1b is a schematic diagram showing an uplink protocol stack architecture of a dual connection system.

FIG. 2 is a flowchart of a method for controlling a duplicated data transmission function according to an embodiment of the disclosure.

FIG. 3 is a schematic diagram showing an application of a method for controlling a duplicated data transmission function according to an embodiment of the disclosure.

FIG. 4 is a schematic diagram showing a composition structure of a terminal according to an embodiment of the disclosure.

FIG. 5 is a schematic diagram showing a composition structure of a terminal according to an embodiment of the disclosure.

FIG. 6 is a schematic diagram showing a hardware composition structure of a terminal according to an embodiment of the disclosure.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Before a method for controlling a duplicated data transmission function according to the embodiments of the disclosure is described in detail, a protocol stack architecture in a dual connection architecture is described. FIG. 1a is a schematic diagram showing a downlink protocol stack architecture in a dual connection system.

FIG. 1b is a schematic diagram showing an uplink protocol stack architecture in the

dual connection system. As shown in FIG. 1a, for the downlink protocol stack architecture, a packet data convergence protocol (PDCP) entity is arranged in a cell group (CG), and the CG is called an anchor CG. A PDCP Protocol Data Unit (PDU) is duplicated by the PDCP entity to obtain two identical PDUs, for example, one is the PDCP PDU and the other is a duplicated PDCP PDU. The PDCP PDU and the duplicated PDCP PDU are transferred through Radio Link Control (RLC) and MAC of different CGs (for example, an MCG and an SCG), respectively, and are sent to MAC entities and RLC entities of a terminal corresponding to the different CGs through air interfaces, and are converged in the PDCP entity of the terminal. Upon monitoring that the two PDCP PDUs are two identical PDUs, one of which is obtained by duplicating the other, the PDCP entity discards one of the two PDCP PDUs and transmits the other to a high-layer entity. On the contrary, as shown in FIG. 1b, a PDCP PDU is duplicated by the PDCP entity of the terminal to obtain two identical PDUs, for example, one is the PDCP PDU and the other is a duplicated PDCP PDU. The PDCP PDU and the duplicated PDCP PDU are transferred through RLC and MAC corresponding to different CGs (for example, the MCG and the SCG), respectively, and are sent to the MAC entity and the RLC entity of the MCG and the MAC entity and the RLC entity of the SCG through the air interfaces respectively, and are converged in the PDCP entity serving as the anchor CG.

As shown in FIG. 1a and FIG. 1b, the PDCP entity, as a bearer, which is connected to two RLC and two MAC, is called a split bearer. If the PDCP entity is arranged in the MCG, the bearer may be called an MCG split bearer. If the PDCP entity is arranged in the SCG, the bearer may be called an SCG split bearer.

In the 5G system, regarding a bearer configured with a duplicated data transmission function, the duplicated data transmission function of the bearer may be dynamically activated or deactivated through a MAC CE. In a dual connection scenario, a duplicated data transmission function of a split bearer of a terminal can be activated or deactivated in response to MAC CEs respectively transmitted by the MCG and the SCG. Herein, the MAC CE may include a bitmap, that is, different bits correspond to different bearers. A value of a bit represents activation or de-activation of the duplicated data transmission function of the bearer corresponding to the bit. However, in the dual connection scenario, the terminal may not determine a correspondence between the bitmap of the MCG or the SCG and the bearer. On such a basis, the following

embodiments of the disclosure are proposed.

The disclosure is further described in detail below in conjunction with the drawings and specific embodiments.

First Embodiment

5 A method for a duplicated data transmission function is provided according to an embodiment of the disclosure. FIG. 2 is a flowchart of a method for controlling a duplicated data transmission function according to an embodiment of the disclosure. As shown in FIG. 2, the method includes steps 101 to 102.

10 In 101, a terminal determines a bit in a received bitmap based on indication information configured correspondingly to a DRB and/or a preset rule. The bitmap is one of two received bitmaps.

In 102, the terminal determines to activate/deactivate a duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on an indication in the bit.

15 In the embodiment of the disclosure, before the operation that the terminal determines the bit in the received bitmap based on the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB and/or the preset rule, the method further includes: the terminal receives a bitmap corresponding to a MAC entity of an MCG and a bitmap corresponding to a MAC entity of an SCG.

20 Herein, the operation that the terminal receives the bitmap corresponding to the MAC entity of the MCG and the bitmap corresponding to the MAC entity of the SCG includes that: a first MAC entity of the terminal receives a first MAC control element (CE) corresponding to the MAC entity of the MCG and obtains a bitmap in the first MAC CE; and a second MAC entity of the terminal receives a second MAC CE corresponding to the MAC entity of the SCG and obtains a bitmap in the second MAC
25 CE.

Correspondingly, the operation that the terminal determines to activate/deactivate the duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on the indication in the bit includes: a PDCP entity of the terminal determines to activate/deactivate the duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on a
30 value of the bit. The PDCP entity corresponds to the DRB. It can be understood that, a DRB configured with the duplicated data transmission function determines a bit in a bitmap in the MAC CE received by the MAC entity, informs a PDCP entity corresponding to the DRB of a value of the bit, and the PDCP entity determines to

activate/deactivate the duplicated data transmission function based on the value of the bit.

In the embodiment, before the operation that the terminal determines the bit in the received bitmap based on the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB and/or the preset rule, the method further includes: the terminal obtains signaling sent by a network device and determines the indication information corresponding to the DRB and/or the preset rule based on the signaling. Herein, the signaling may be Radio Resource Control (RRC) signaling. That is, the terminal may obtain the indication information and/or the preset rule based on a semi-static configuration of the network device.

The embodiment of the disclosure may be applied to two scenarios. In a first application scenario, the DRB is a split DRB configured with the duplicated data transmission function. In a second application scenario, the DRB is a non-split DRB configured with the duplicated data transmission function.

In the first application scenario, as a first implementation, the indication information includes an indication identifier and an indication bit. The operation that the terminal determines the bit in the received bitmap based on the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB includes an operation as follows: the terminal selects the received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB based on the indication identifier, and the terminal determines the bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit.

Herein, the indication identifier represents a selection rule for determining to select one of the two bitmaps. That is, the indication identifier is used to instruct the terminal to select the bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the bitmap corresponding to the SCG. In a practical application, the indication identifier may be an identifier 0/1, and 0 and 1 correspond to the MCG and the SCG respectively. For example, in a case that the indication identifier is configured to be the identifier 0, the bitmap corresponding to the MCG is selected. In a case that the indication identifier is configured to be 1, the bitmap corresponding to the SCG is selected. In practical, the opposite is also true, the identifier 0 corresponds to the MCG and the identifier 1 corresponds to the SCG, which is not limited in the embodiment.

The indication bit may indicate any bit in the bitmap. In a case that the bitmap includes 8 bits, the indication bit may include 3 bits. For example, 000 corresponds to

a first bit in the bitmap, 001 corresponds to a second bit in the bitmap, and so forth. The terminal may determine the bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit and determine to activate/deactivate the duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on the value of the bit.

5 As a second implementation, the indication information includes the indication identifier, and the operation that the terminal determines the bit in the received bitmap based on the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB and the preset rule includes an operation as follows: the terminal selects the received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB based on the indication identifier;
10 and the terminal determines the bit in the bitmap based on an identifier of the DRB.

Referring to description about the indication identifier in the first implementation, the indication identifier represents the selection rule for selecting one of the two bitmaps. That is, the indication identifier is configured to instruct the terminal to select the bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the bitmap corresponding to the SCG.

15 As an implementation, the operation that the terminal determines the bit in the bitmap based on the identifier of the DRB includes an operation as follows: the terminal ranks the identifier of the DRB and an identifier of other DRB and determines the bit in the bitmap based on a position of the identifier of the DRB in a sequence. The ranking includes ascending ranking or descending ranking.

20 Herein, the identifier of the DRB is denoted as a DRB ID, and DRB IDs of all DRBs are fixed and different from each other. The terminal ranks all DRB IDs, and a ranking rule may be ascending ranking or descending ranking. For example, if the DRB ID is 3 and the IDs of the other DRBs include 1, 5, 7 and 9, the DRB ID is ranked second in an ascending sequence of all the DRB IDs, and a second bit in the bitmap is
25 determined correspondingly. The DRB ID is ranked third in a descending sequence of all the DRB IDs, and a third bit in the bitmap is determined correspondingly.

As another implementation, the terminal may also determine the bit in the bitmap based on the ID of the DRB. The implementation is applied to a scenario where the number of bits in the bitmap is greater than or equal to the number of DRBs of the
30 terminal and the DRB ID is not greater than 8. For example, if the DRB ID is 3, the third bit in the bitmap may be determined.

In the second application scenario, as a first implementation, the indication information includes the indication bit, and the operation that the terminal determines

the bit in the received bitmap based on the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB includes an operation as follows: the terminal selects the received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB; and the terminal determines the bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit.

5 In the application scenario, the terminal may directly select the received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB without the indication identifier. Furthermore, the indication bit may indicate any bit in the bitmap. In a case that the bitmap includes 8 bits, the indication bit may include 3 bits. For example, 000 corresponds to a first bit in the bitmap, 001 corresponds to a second bit in the bitmap,
10 and so forth. The terminal determines the bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit and determines to activate/deactivate the duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on the value of the bit.

 As a second implementation, the operation that the terminal determines the bit in the received bitmap based on the preset rule includes an operation as follows: the
15 terminal selects the received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB; and the terminal determines the bit in the bitmap based on the identifier of the DRB.

 In the application scenario, the terminal may directly select the received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB without the indication identifier.

 In the embodiment, the operation that the terminal determines the bit in the
20 bitmap based on the identifier of the DRB includes an operation as follows: the terminal ranks the identifier of the DRB and the identifier of other DRB, and determines the bit in the bitmap based on the position of the identifier of the DRB in the sequence. The ranking includes ascending ranking or descending ranking.

 Herein, the identifier of the DRB is denoted as a DRB ID, and the DRB IDs of
25 all DRBs are fixed and different from each other. The terminal ranks all the DRB IDs, and the ranking rule may be ascending ranking or descending ranking. For example, if the DRB ID is 3 and the IDs of the other DRBs include 1, 5, 7 and 9, the DRB ID is ranked second in the ascending sequence of all the DRB IDs, and, the second bit in the bitmap is determined correspondingly. The DRB ID is ranked third in the descending
30 sequence of all the DRB IDs, and the third bit in the bitmap is determined correspondingly.

 As another implementation, the terminal may also determine the bit in the bitmap based on the ID of the DRB. The implementation is applied to the scenario

where the number of the bits in the bitmap is greater than or equal to the number of the DRBs of the terminal and the DRB ID is not greater than 8. For example, if the DRB ID is 3, the third bit in the bitmap may be determined.

5 In the application scenario, indication information configured correspondingly to non-split DRBs of different cell groups may have identical or different indication bits. For example, all of the indication information corresponding to the non-split bearers belonging to different CGs may be configured with the indication bits of 000.

10 In the embodiment, the indication identifier is only configured in the indication information corresponding to the split DRB having the duplicated data transmission function, to indicate that the split DRB is controlled by the MCG MAC CE or controlled by the SCG MAC CE. No indication identifier is configured in indication information corresponding to a non-split DRB.

15 In the embodiment, irrespective of a non-split bearer of the MCG or a non-split bearer of the SCG, the duplicated data transmission function is only controlled by the received MAC CE corresponding to the MAC entity of the MCG or the received MAC CE corresponding to the MAC entity of the SCG.

20 With the technical solutions according to the embodiments of the disclosure, the bit in the bitmap is determined based on the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB and/or the preset rule, and the bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG may be determined based on the indication information in a dual connection scenario. Therefore, the duplicated data transmission function of the DRB may be activated/deactivated based on the indication about the bit in the bitmap.

25 The method for controlling the duplicated data transmission function according to the embodiment of the disclosure is described in detail below in combination with an application scenario.

First Scenario

30 In the scenario, the terminal determines an indication identifier and an indication bit corresponding to the DRB based on signaling of the network device, and determines to select the received MCG MAC CE corresponding to the MCG for the DRB based on the indication identifier.

The terminal receives, from the MAC entity of the MCG, the MAC CE used to control activation/de-activation of the duplicated data transmission function.

The terminal determines a DRB controlled by the MAC entity of the MCG. For

example, as shown in FIG. 3, the terminal may determine that a non-split DRB with a DRB ID=1 is controlled by the MCG MAC CE, and may also determine that the split DRB with a DRB ID=3 is controlled by the MCG MAC CE by checking the indication identifier 0/1 configured in the split DRB.

5 The terminal checks indication bits in the two DRBs, and determines that the non-split DRB with the DRB ID=1 is controlled by a first bit in the bitmap and the DRB with the DRB ID=3 is controlled by a second bit in the bitmap. All of the remaining bits in the bitmap are invalid bits.

10 The MAC entity of the terminal instructs a PDCP entity of the non-split DRB with DRB ID=1 of a bit value of the first bit in the bitmap, the MAC entity of the terminal instructs a PDCP entity of the split DRB with DRB ID=3 of a bit value of the second bit in the bitmap. The PDCP entities determine to activate/deactivate the duplicated data transmission function of the DRBs corresponding to the instructed bit values based on the instructed bit values.

15 Second Scenario

In the scenario, the terminal determines an indication identifier corresponding to the DRB based on signaling of the network device and determines to select the received MCG MAC CE corresponding to the MCG for the split DRB based on the indication identifier.

20 The terminal receives, from the MAC entity of the MCG, the MAC CE used to control activation/de-activation of the duplicated data transmission function.

25 The terminal determines a DRB controlled by the MAC entity of the MCG. For example, as shown in FIG. 3, the terminal may determine that the non-split DRB with the DRB ID=1 is controlled by the MCG MAC CE, and may also determine that the split DRB with the DRB ID=3 is controlled by the MCG MAC CE by checking indication identifier 0/1 configured in the split DRB.

30 The terminal determines correspondences based on DRB IDs. For example, the correspondences may be determined through an ascending sequence (or a descending sequence) of the DRB IDs. For example, the DRB IDs in the terminal include 1, 3, 5 and 6. The DRB ID 1 is ranked first in the ascending sequence, and thus the non-split DRB with the DRB ID=1 corresponds to the first bit in the bitmap. The DRB ID=3 is ranked second in the ascending sequence, and thus the split DRB with the DRB ID=3 corresponds to the second bit in the bitmap. All of the remaining bits in the bitmap are

invalid.

The MAC entity of the terminal instructs a PDCP entity of the non-split DRB with the DRB ID=1 of a bit value of the first bit in the bitmap, the MAC entity of the terminal instructs the PDCP entity of the split DRB with the DRB ID=3 of the bit value of the second bit in the bitmap. The PDCP entities determine to activate/deactivate the duplicated data transmission function of the DRBs corresponding to the instructed bit values based on the instructed bit values.

Second Embodiment

A terminal is further provided according to an embodiment of the disclosure. FIG. 4 is a schematic diagram showing a composition structure of a terminal according to an embodiment of the disclosure. As shown in FIG. 4, the terminal includes a first determining unit 31 and a second determining unit 32.

The first determining unit 31 is configured to determine a bit in a received bitmap based on indication information configured correspondingly to a DRB and/or a preset rule. The bitmap is one of two received bitmaps.

The second determining unit 32 is configured to determine to activate/deactivate a duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on an indication in the bit determined by the first determining unit 31.

In a first application scenario, the DRB is a split DRB configured with the duplicated data transmission function.

As a first implementation, the indication information includes an indication identifier and an indication bit.

The first determining unit 31 is configured to select a received bitmap corresponding to an MCG or an SCG for the DRB based on the indication identifier and determine a bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit.

As a second implementation, the indication information includes an indication identifier.

The first determining unit 31 is configured to select a received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB based on the indication identifier and determine a bit in the bitmap based on an identifier of the DRB.

In a second application scenario, the DRB is a non-split DRB configured with the duplicated data transmission function.

As a first implementation, the indication information includes the indication bit.

The first determining unit 31 is configured to select a received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB and determine a bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit.

As a second implementation, the first determining unit 31 is configured to select
5 a received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB and determine a bit in the bitmap based on an identifier of the DRB.

Herein, pieces of indication information configured correspondingly to non-split DRBs of different cell groups have identical or different indication bits.

In the embodiment, the first determining unit 31 is configured to rank the ID of
10 the DRB and an ID of other DRB, and determine a bit in the bitmap based on a position of the ID of the DRB in the sequence. The ranking includes ascending ranking or descending ranking.

As an implementation, FIG. 5 is a schematic diagram showing another composition structure of a terminal according to an embodiment of the disclosure. As
15 shown in FIG. 5, the terminal further includes a receiving unit 33. The receiving unit is configured to, before the first determining unit 31 determines the bit in the received bitmap based on the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB and/or the preset rule, receive a bitmap corresponding to a MAC entity of the MCG and a bitmap corresponding to a MAC entity of the SCG.

20 Herein, the receiving unit 33 includes a first receiving subunit and a second receiving subunit.

The first receiving subunit is configured to receive, through a first MAC entity, a first MAC CE corresponding to the MAC entity of the MCG, and obtain a bitmap in the first MAC CE.

25 The second receiving subunit is configured to receive, through a second MAC entity, a second MAC CE corresponding to the MAC entity of the SCG, and obtain a bitmap in the second MAC CE.

Herein, the second determining unit 32 is configured to determine, through a PDCP entity, to activate/deactivate the duplicated data transmission function of the
30 DRB based on a value of the bit. The PDCP entity corresponds to the DRB.

In the embodiment of the disclosure, both of the first determining unit 31 and second determining unit 32 in the terminal may be implemented by a Central Processing Unit (CPU), a Digital Signal Processor (DSP), a Microcontroller Unit (MCU) or a

Field-Programmable Gate Array (FPGA) in a practical application. The receiving unit 33 (including the first receiving subunit and the second receiving subunit) in the terminal may be implemented by a communication module (including an infrastructure communication suite, an operating system, a communication module, a standard interface, a protocol and the like) and a transceiver antenna in a practical application.

It should be noted that the terminal provided in the embodiment is exemplified with division of the abovementioned program modules in controlling the duplicated data transmission function. In the practical application, such processing may be assigned to different program modules for implementation as required, that is, an internal structure of the terminal is divided into different program modules to implement all or part of abovementioned processing. In addition, the terminal provided in the above embodiment belongs to the same concept as the method embodiment, and reference may be made onto the method embodiment for a specific implementation process of the terminal, which is not be described repeatedly here anymore.

Fourth Embodiment

A terminal is further provided according to an embodiment of the disclosure. FIG. 6 is a schematic diagram showing a hardware composition structure of a terminal according to an embodiment of the disclosure. As shown in FIG. 6, the terminal includes a communication component 43 configured for data transmission, at least one processor 41 and a memory 42 configured to store a computer program capable of being run in the processor 41. All components in the terminal are coupled together through a bus system 44. It can be understood that the bus system 44 is configured to implement connection communication between these components. The bus system 44 includes a power bus, a control bus and a state signal bus, in addition to a data bus. For clear description, however, various buses in FIG. 6 are represented as the bus system 44.

It can be understood that the memory 42 may be a volatile memory or a nonvolatile memory, and may also include both of the volatile memory and nonvolatile memory. Herein, the nonvolatile memory may be a read only memory (ROM), a programmable read-only memory (PROM), an erasable programmable read-only memory (EPROM), an electrically erasable programmable read-only memory (EEPROM), a ferromagnetic random access memory (FRAM), a flash memory, a magnetic surface memory, a compact disc or a compact disc read-only memory (CD-ROM). The magnetic surface memory may be a magnetic disk memory or a magnetic

tape memory. The volatile memory may be a random access memory (RAM), and is used as an external high-speed cache. It is exemplarily but unlimitedly described that an RAM in various forms may be used, such as a static random access memory (SRAM), a synchronous static random access memory (SSRAM), a dynamic random access
5 memory (DRAM), a synchronous dynamic random access memory (SDRAM), a double data rate synchronous dynamic random access memory (DDRSDRAM), an enhanced synchronous dynamic random access memory (ESDRAM), a syncLink dynamic random access memory (SLDRAM) and a direct rambus random access memory (DRRAM). The memory 42 described in the embodiment of the disclosure
10 includes, but is not limited to, these and any other proper types of memories.

The method disclosed in the embodiment of the disclosure may be applied to the processor 41 or may be implemented by the processor 41. The processor 41 may be an integrated circuit chip with a signal processing capability. In an implementation process, all steps of the method described above may be implemented by an integrated
15 logic circuit of hardware in the processor 41 or an instruction in a software form. The processor 41 described above may be a universal processor, a DSP or another programmable logic device, a discrete gate or a transistor logic device, a discrete hardware component and the like. The processor 41 may implement or execute the methods, the steps and the logical block diagrams disclosed in the embodiments of the
20 disclosure. The universal processor may be a microprocessor, any conventional processor or the like. The steps of the method disclosed in combination with the embodiments of the disclosure may be directly embodied to be executed by a hardware decoding processor or by a combination of hardware and software modules in the decoding processor. The software module may be provided in a storage medium, and
25 the storage medium is provided in the memory 42. The processor 41 reads information in the memory 42 and implements the steps of the method in combination with hardware thereof.

In an exemplary embodiment, the terminal may be implemented by one or more application specific integrated circuits (ASICs), a DSP, a programmable logic
30 device(PLD), a complex programmable logic device (CPLD), an FPGA, a universal processor, a controller, an MCU, a microprocessor or other electronic components, for executing the abovementioned method.

In the embodiment, the processor 41, when executing the program, implements

the following operations: determining a bit in a received bitmap based on indication information configured correspondingly to a DRB and/or a preset rule, the bitmap being one of two received bitmaps; and determining to activate/deactivate a duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on an indication in the bit.

5 In a first application scenario, the DRB is a split DRB configured with the duplicated data transmission function.

 As an implementation, the indication information includes an indication identifier and an indication bit, and the processor 41, when executing the program, implements the following operations: selecting a received bitmap corresponding to an
10 MCG or an SCG for the DRB based on the indication identifier; and determining a bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit.

 As another implementation, the indication information includes the indication identifier, and the processor 41, when executing the program, implements the following operations: selecting a received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the
15 DRB based on the indication identifier; and determining a bit in the bitmap based on an identifier of the DRB.

 In a second application scenario, the DRB is a non-split DRB configured with the duplicated data transmission function.

 As an implementation, the indication information includes an indication bit, and
20 the processor 41, when executing the program, implements the following operations: selecting a received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB; and determining a bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit.

 As another implementation, the processor 41, when executing the program, implements the following operations: selecting a received bitmap corresponding to the
25 MCG or the SCG for the DRB; and determining a bit in the bitmap based on the identifier of the DRB.

 Herein, pieces of indication information configured correspondingly to non-split DRBs of different cell groups have identical or different indication bits.

 In the embodiment, the processor 41, when executing the program, implements
30 the following operations: ranking the ID of the DRB and an ID of other DRB and determining a bit in the bitmap based on a position of the ID of the DRB in the sequence. The ranking includes ascending ranking or descending ranking.

 As an implementation, the processor 41, when executing the program,

implements the following operation: before determining the bit in the received bitmap based on the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB and/or the preset rule, receiving a bitmap corresponding to a MAC entity of the MCG and a bitmap corresponding to a MAC entity of the SCG.

5 Herein, the processor 41, when executing the program, implements the following operations: a first MAC entity receives a first MAC CE corresponding to the MAC entity of the MCG and obtains a bitmap in the first MAC CE; and a second MAC entity receives a second MAC CE corresponding to the MAC entity of the SCG and obtains a bitmap in the second MAC CE.

10 Herein, the processor 41, when executing the program, implements the following operations: a PDCP entity determines to activate/deactivate the duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on a value of the bit. The PDCP entity corresponds to the DRB.

Fourth Embodiment

15 A computer storage medium is further provided according to an embodiment of the disclosure, which includes, for example, a memory 42 as shown in FIG. 6 on which a computer program is stored. The computer program may be executed by a processor 41 of a device to implement the steps of the above method. The computer storage medium may be a memory such as an FRAM, a ROM, a PROM, an EPROM, an
20 EEPROM, a flash memory, a magnetic surface memory, a compact disc or a CD-ROM, and may also any device including one or any combination of the above memories.

 In the embodiment, the computer program is stored in the computer storage medium provided in the embodiment of the disclosure. The computer program, when being run by the processor, executes the following operations: determining a bit in a
25 received bitmap based on indication information configured correspondingly to a DRB and/or a preset rule, the bitmap being one of two received bitmaps; and determining to activate/deactivate a duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on an indication in the bit.

 In a first application scenario, the DRB is a split DRB configured with the
30 duplicated data transmission function.

 As an implementation, the indication information includes an indication identifier and an indication bit. The computer program, when being run by the processor, executes the following operations: selecting a received bitmap corresponding to an

MCG or an SCG for the DRB based on the indication identifier; and determining a bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit.

As another implementation, the indication information includes an indication identifier. The computer program, when being run by the processor, executes the following operations: selecting a received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB based on the indication identifier; and determining a bit in the bitmap based on an identifier of the DRB.

In a second application scenario, the DRB is a non-split DRB configured with the duplicated data transmission function.

As an implementation, the indication information includes an indication bit. The computer program, when being run by the processor, execute the following operations: selecting a received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB; and determining a bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit.

As another implementation, the computer program, when being run by the processor, executes the following operations: selecting a received bitmap corresponding to the MCG or the SCG for the DRB; and determining a bit in the bitmap based on the identifier of the DRB.

Herein, pieces of indication information configured correspondingly to the non-split DRBs of different cell groups has identical or different indication bits.

In the embodiment, the computer program, when being run by the processor, executes the following operations: ranking the identifier of the DRB and an identifier of other DRB and determining a bit in the bitmap based on a position of the identifier of the DRB in the sequence. The ranking includes ascending ranking or descending ranking.

As an implementation, the computer program, when being run by the processor, executes the following operation: before determining the bit in the received bitmap based on the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB and/or the preset rule, receiving a bitmap corresponding to a MAC entity of the MCG and a bitmap corresponding to a MAC entity of the SCG.

Herein, the computer program, when being run by the processor, executes the following operations: a first MAC entity receives a first MAC CE corresponding to the MAC entity of the MCG and obtains a bitmap in the first MAC CE; and a second MAC entity receives a second MAC CE corresponding to the MAC entity of the SCG and

obtains a bitmap in the second MAC CE.

Herein, the computer program, when being run by the processor, executes the following operations: a PDCP entity determines to activate/deactivate the duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on a value of the bit. The PDCP entity

5 corresponds to the DRB.

In some embodiments provided by the application, it should be understood that the disclosed terminal and method may be implemented in another manner. The device embodiment described above is merely schematic. For example, the units are divided according to a logic function, and the units may be divided in other manners in practical
10 implementation. For example, multiple units or components may be combined or integrated into another system, or some characteristics may be neglected or not executed. In addition, coupling or direct coupling or a communication connection between all components displayed or discussed may be indirect coupling or communication connection through some interfaces, device or unit, and may be
15 electrical and mechanical or in other forms.

The units described as separate parts may be or may not be physically separated, and parts displayed as units may be or may not be physical units. That is, the units may be provided in the same place, or may also be distributed to multiple network units. A part or all of the units may be selected according to a practical requirement to achieve
20 the purposes of the solutions of the embodiments.

In addition, all functional units in each embodiment of the disclosure may be integrated into a processing unit. Alternatively, each unit may also serve as an independent unit, or two or more than two units may also be integrated into a unit. The integrated unit may be implemented in a hardware form and may also be implemented
25 in a form of hardware and software functional unit.

Those skilled in the art should understand that all or a part of the steps for implementing the method embodiment may be implemented by instructing related hardware through a program. The above program may be stored in a computer-readable storage medium. The program, when being executed, implements the steps of the
30 method embodiment above. The above storage medium includes a mobile storage device, an ROM, an RAM, a magnetic disk a compact disc or various mediums capable of storing program codes.

Alternatively, when being implemented in form of software functional module

and sold or used as an independent product, the above integrated unit according to the disclosure may also be stored in a computer-readable storage medium. Based on such an understanding, an essential part of the technical solution according to the embodiments of the disclosure or a part of the technical solution making contributions to the conventional art may be embodied in form of software product. The computer software product is stored in a storage medium, including several instructions which enables a computer device (which may be a personal computer, a server, a network device or the like) to execute all or a part of the method in each of the embodiments of the disclosure. The above storage medium includes a mobile storage device, an ROM, an RAM, a magnetic disk, or a compact disc or various media capable of storing program codes.

The forgoing is only the embodiments of the disclosure, however the protection scope of the disclosure is not limited thereto. Any variations or substitution apparent to those skilled in the art within the technical scope disclosed by the disclosure shall fall within the protection scope of the disclosure. Therefore, the protection scope of the disclosure shall conform to the protection scope of the claims.

CLAIMS

1. A method for controlling a duplicated data transmission function, comprising:
5 determining, by a terminal, a bit in a received bitmap based on at least one of
indication information configured correspondingly to a data radio bearer (DRB) or a
preset rule, wherein the bitmap is one of two received bitmaps; and
 determining, by the terminal, to activate/deactivate a duplicated data
transmission function of the DRB based on an indication in the bit.
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2. The method of claim 1, wherein the DRB is a split DRB configured with the
duplicated data transmission function.
3. The method of claim 2, wherein the indication information comprises an indication
15 identifier and an indication bit, and
 the determining, by the terminal, the bit in the received bitmap based on the
indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB comprises:
 selecting, by the terminal, the received bitmap corresponding to a master cell
group (MCG) or a secondary cell group (SCG) for the DRB based on the indication
20 identifier; and
 determining, by the terminal, the bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit.
4. The method of claim 2, wherein the indication information comprises the indication
identifier, and
25 the determining, by the terminal, the bit in the received bitmap based on the
indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB and the preset rule
comprises:
 selecting, by the terminal, the received bitmap corresponding to a master cell
group (MCG) or a secondary cell group (SCG) for the DRB based on the indication
30 identifier; and
 determining, by the terminal, the bit in the bitmap based on an identifier of the
DRB.
5. The method of claim 1, wherein the DRB is a non-split DRB configured with the

duplicated data transmission function.

6. The method of claim 5, wherein the indication information comprises an indication bit, and

5 the determining, by the terminal, the bit in the received bitmap based on the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB comprises:

 selecting, by the terminal, the received bitmap corresponding to a master cell group (MCG) or a secondary cell group (SCG) for the DRB; and

 determining, by the terminal, the bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit.

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7. The method of claim 5, wherein the determining, by the terminal, the bit in the received bitmap based on the preset rule comprises:

 selecting, by the terminal, the received bitmap corresponding to a master cell group (MCG) or a secondary cell group (SCG) for the DRB; and

15 determining, by the terminal, the bit in the bitmap based on an identifier of the DRB.

8. The method of claim 6, wherein pieces of indication information configured correspondingly to non-split DRBs of different cell groups have identical or different
20 indication bits.

9. The method of claim 4 or 7, wherein the determining, by the terminal, the bit in the bitmap based on the identifier of the DRB comprises:

25 ranking, by the terminal, the identifier of the DRB and an identifier of other DRB, and determining, by the terminal, the bit in the bitmap based on a position of the identifier of the DRB in a sequence,

 wherein the ranking comprises ascending ranking or descending ranking.

10. The method of claim 1, before the determining, by the terminal, the bit in the
30 received bitmap based on at least one of the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB or the preset rule, further comprising:

 receiving, by the terminal, a bitmap corresponding to a media access control (MAC) entity of a master cell group (MCG) and a bitmap corresponding to an MAC

entity of a secondary cell group (SCG).

11. The method of claim 10, wherein the receiving, by the terminal, the bitmap corresponding to the MAC entity of the MCG and the bitmap corresponding to the MAC entity of the SCG comprises:

receiving, by a first MAC entity of the terminal, a first MAC control element (CE) corresponding to the MAC entity of the MCG, and obtaining, by the first MAC entity of the terminal, the bitmap in the first MAC CE; and

receiving, by a second MAC entity of the terminal, a second MAC CE corresponding to the MAC entity of the SCG, and obtaining, by the second MAC entity of the terminal, the bitmap in the second MAC CE.

12. The method of claim 11, wherein the determining, by the terminal, to activate/deactivate the duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on the indication in the bit comprises:

determining, by a packet data convergence protocol (PDCP) entity of the terminal, to activate/deactivate the duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on a value of the bit, wherein the PDCP entity corresponds to the DRB.

13. A terminal, comprising a first determining unit and a second determining unit, wherein

the first determining unit is configured to determine a bit in a received bitmap based on at least one of indication information configured correspondingly to a data radio bearer (DRB) or a preset rule, wherein the bitmap is one of two received bitmaps; and

the second determining unit is configured to determine to activate/deactivate a duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on an indication in the bit determined by the first determining unit.

14. The terminal of claim 13, wherein the DRB is a split DRB configured with the duplicated data transmission function.

15. The terminal of claim 14, wherein the indication information comprises an

indication identifier and an indication bit, and

the first determining unit is configured to select the received bitmap corresponding to a master cell group (MCG) or a secondary cell group (SCG) for the DRB based on the indication identifier, and determine the bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit.

16. The terminal of claim 14, wherein the indication information comprises the indication identifier, and

the first determining unit is configured to select the received bitmap corresponding to a master cell group (MCG) or a secondary cell group (SCG) for the DRB based on the indication identifier, and determine the bit in the bitmap based on an identifier of the DRB.

17. The terminal of claim 13, wherein the DRB is a non-split DRB configured with the duplicated data transmission function.

18. The terminal of claim 17, wherein the indication information comprises the indication bit, and

the first determining unit is configured to select the received bitmap corresponding to a master cell group (MCG) or a secondary cell group (SCG) for the DRB, and determine the bit in the bitmap based on the indication bit.

19. The terminal of claim 17, wherein the first determining unit is configured to select the received bitmap corresponding to a master cell group (MCG) or a secondary cell group (SCG) for the DRB, and determine the bit in the bitmap based on an identifier of the DRB.

20. The terminal of claim 18, wherein pieces of indication information configured correspondingly to non-split DRBs of different cell groups have identical or different indication bits.

21. The terminal of claim 16 or 19, wherein the first determining unit is configured to rank the identifier of the DRB and an identifier of other DRB, and determine the bit in

the bitmap based on a position of the identifier of the DRB in a sequence, wherein the ranking comprises ascending ranking or descending ranking.

22. The terminal of claim 13, further comprising a receiving unit, configured to, before the first determining unit determines the bit in the received bitmap based on at least one of the indication information configured correspondingly to the DRB or the preset rule, receive a bitmap corresponding to a media access control (MAC) entity of a master cell group (MCG) and a bitmap corresponding to an MAC entity of a secondary cell group (SCG).

23. The terminal of claim 22, wherein the receiving unit comprises a first receiving subunit and a second receiving subunit,

the first receiving subunit is configured to receive, through a first MAC entity, a first MAC control element (CE) corresponding to the MAC entity of the MCG, and obtain the bitmap in the first MAC CE; and

the second receiving subunit is configured to receive, through a second MAC entity, a second MAC CE corresponding to the MAC entity of the SCG, and obtain the bitmap in the second MAC CE.

24. The terminal of claim 23, wherein the second determining unit is configured to determine, through a packet data convergence protocol (PDCP) entity, to activate/deactivate the duplicated data transmission function of the DRB based on a value of the bit, wherein the PDCP entity corresponds to the DRB.

25. A computer storage medium on which a computer instruction is stored, wherein the instruction, when being executed by a processor, implements steps of the method for controlling the duplicated data transmission function of any one of claims 1 to 12.

26. A terminal, comprising a communication component configured for data transmission, a memory, a processor, and a computer program stored in the memory and capable of being run in the processor, wherein the processor, when executing the program, implements steps of the method for controlling the duplicated data transmission function of any one of claims 1 to 12.