

# Acronym Cheat Sheet 301: What Does That Mean?

**4G:** fourth generation of mobile communications technology **5G mobile:** fifth generation of mobile communications technology

AI: artificial intelligence

API: application program interface

CA: carrier aggregation

C-Band: spectrum between 3.70 and 4.2 GHz

CBRS: citizens broadband radio service, spectrum between 3.55 and 3.70 GHz

**CCAP:** converged cable access platform

CDN: content delivery network
CPE: customer premise equipment
CPRI: common public radio interface

C-RAN: centralized RAN

DAA: distributed access architecture

**DL**: downlink

DOCSIS 3.1: data over cable service interface specification, version 3.1

**eMBB:** enhanced mobile broadband **EIRP:** effective isotropic radiated power

**FDD:** frequency division duplex **FDX:** full duplex DOCSIS

FTTH / FTTP: fiber to the home / premise

FWA: fixed wireless access

GAA: general authorized access (CBRS)

**HFC:** hybrid fiber coax **IoT:** Internet of things **LOS:** line of sight

LTE: long-term evolution

mMTC: massive machine-type communications

MIMO: multiple-input multiple-output

ML: machine learning

MNO: mobile network operator

MVNO: mobile virtual network operator

MVPD: multichannel video programming distributor

NFV: network functions virtualization

NLOS: non-line of sight

NLP: natural language processing

NSA: non-standalone

**PAL:** priority access license (CBRS) **PNM:** proactive network maintenance **QAM:** quadrature amplitude modulation

RAN: radio access network

R-PHY: remote PHY (physical layer)

RDK / RDK-B: reference design kit / - for broadband

**Rx:** receive **SA:** standalone

SAS: spectrum access system

**SD-WAN:** software-defined wide area network

SDN: software defined networking

**TDD:** time-division duplex

Tx: transmit

**UE:** user equipment

**UL:** uplink

**vCPE:** virtual customer premises equipment **uRLLC:** ultra-reliable low-latency communications

VNF: virtual network function

VR / AR: virtual / augmented reality

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