Overcoming the Challenges of 5G C-V2X Testing and Deployment

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What is C-V2X and Why C-V2X?
Vehicle to Everything (V2X) Communications

Enhanced Safety, Enabling Higher Levels of Automation

Vehicle-to-infrastructure (V2I)
e.g. traffic signal timing/priority

Vehicle-to-network (V2N)
e.g. real-time traffic/routing, cloud services

Vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V)
e.g. collision avoidance safety systems

Vehicle-to-pedestrian (V2P)
e.g. safety alerts to pedestrians, bicyclists

Source: Qualcomm
Critical Capabilities Enabled By V2X

Non Line-of-sight Sensing
Provides 360 NLOS awareness, works at night and in bad weather conditions

Conveying Intent
Shares intent, sensor data, and path planning info for higher level of predictability

Situational Awareness
Offers increased electronic Horizon to support soft safety Alerts and graduated warning
Enhancing Vehicle Safety & Autonomy

WIRELESS RANGE, PERFORMANCE, LATENCY & SPEED

• Achieving fewer accidents, greater safety, more time: Vision for connected automated vehicles (CAVs)
  • Requirement: Dependable wireless communication
  • Attributes: Superior range, high performance, low latency, high-speed connectivity

• Enhancing connectivity: “Vehicle to everything” or V2X
  • Goal: Enhanced safety & higher levels of autonomy
  • Situation: DSRC & Cellular-V2X technologies vying for dominance

• Leveraging 5G: C-V2X
  • Foundation: 5G New Radio (5G NR)
  • Advantages: Ultra-reliable, low latency, high bandwidth

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# V2X Technology Comparison – DSRC vs C-V2X

## Technical & Performance Characteristics

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We observe the following
- **Winner**: C-V2X has momentum & is likely to prevail – especially with the roll out of 5G/R16
- **Politics**: FCC NPRM support of C-V2X; Europe as opted for coexistence; China decided C-V2X
Testing Must Also Evolve

ORGANIZATIONAL IMPLICATIONS

- Big picture: Overlapping cycles of innovation

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<th>R14 C-V2X</th>
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* Will be region-dependent
Testing Becomes More Challenging

PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE

• **Issue 1:** Designing to standards is a moving target
  - 3GPP standards for C-V2X (e.g., NR-V2X) are still evolving
  - New capabilities, technologies, frequencies, bandwidths, data rates...

• **Issue 2:** CAV use cases becoming more challenging
  - Complex scenarios, congestion, sensor sharing, interoperability, etc.
  - NR-V2X enables highly advanced scenarios

• **Issue 3:** Backwards compatibility is mandatory
  - Testing new releases will be critical
  - Testing legacy releases will be essential
Moving from LTE-V2X to NR-V2X
What is Cellular-Vehicle to Everything (C-V2X)

**C-V2X OVERVIEW**

V2X using Cellular technologies with or without network service

- Band 47 (5.9GHz) for Sidelink Communications (PC5)
- LTE-A 3GPP Rel.14 & 15
- 5G NR 3GPP Rel.16+

**Benefits**

- Cost Effective
- Evolution to 5G
- Better Security
- Improved Range
- Enhanced Reliability
- VRU Use Cases

- Large and Growing global C-V2X Eco-System
- Cellular Chipset Vendors / Wireless Service Providers / Automotive OEMs & Suppliers / Road Operators
Vehicle to Everything (V2X)

C-V2X, TWO COMPLEMENTARY COMMUNICATION MODES

- **Direct**
  - Lower latency
  - PC5 interface without eNodeB
  - V2V, V2P, V2I at ITS bands (e.g. 5.9GHz)
  - Network independent
  - Short range (less than 1 kilometer)

- **Network**
  - Slower latency
  - Uu interface with eNodeB
  - V2N at the spectrums owned by network service providers
  - Network required (e.g. Carrier Aggregation)
  - Long range (more than 1 kilometers)

Configuration 1
Dedicated carrier Distributed scheduling

Configuration 2
Dedicated carrier eNB scheduling
Preparing for R16 & Beyond

A NEW CYCLE BEGINS

• **R16:** Significantly enhances C-V2X PC5 link
  • V2V/V2I: 5G NR improves latency & connectivity in sidelink

• **What to watch out for in...**
  • **Development**
    • R16 specs frozen by July 2020
    • 3GPP working on R17 now, freeze planned for Sept 2021
    • Test requirements & capabilities must evolve with releases
      • *Ex: High-precision location, cooperative maneuvering, platooning, sensor sharing...*

  • **Conformance & certification**
    • Assume conformance testing will be mandatory
    • Use cases will become more complex & more detailed
    • Successful pre-conformance testing will depend on compliant solutions

  • **Interoperability & interference test**
    • Plugfests planned across all regions
    • Mitigation of coexistence interference with adjacent spectrum

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5G Will Change The World Including Automotive…

- Latency for new level of V2V
  - 1 ms

- Data rates for HD map downloading, AR based service, entertainment
  - 100 X

- Reliability for mission critical V2X
  - 99.9%

- Densification for urban V2X supports
  - 100 X

- Capacity for cloud based service
  - 1000 X
5G NR-V2X Release 16 (Advanced Safety)

• Leveraging vehicles as moving sensor platforms (Bandwidth)
• With 5G comes Enhanced Security

Source: ITRI

NR-V2X requirements for autonomous driving (SA1 TS22.186)

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<td>Extended Sensors</td>
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<td>99.999</td>
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Note: 5GAA may adjust the above requirements according to inputs from car OEMs.

Source: 5GAA
C-V2X Challenges To Be Overcome

**Ensure Performance Meets Safety Requirement**
Ensure products meet performance specs (ETSI, 3GPP, SAE)

**Conformance to Global and Regional Standards**
EU, North America, China and Japan all have different standards to adhere to. Conformance to these specs will be compulsory and therefore there is a need for test eqt and Test Labs to offer this service.

**Interference Mitigation**
Interference will be a critical factor to overcome as the spectrum between 2-6 GHz is extremely crowded and since V2X is a safety oriented system this is even more important to be tested.

**Interoperability**
Multiple vendors developing V2X modules (C-V2X or DSRC) need to interoperate with each other and is a critical test that needs to be carried out.

Industry organisations (e.g. 5GAA) and standard bodies (e.g. 3GPP, ETSI) are addressing more challenges and developing solutions.
Vehicle to Everything (V2X)

C-V2X REQUIRED MEASUREMENTS

- Test Cases
  - Latency
  - Reliability (PER)
  - Interference and Co-existence
  - Range (Sensitivity)
  - Congestion Control
  - Maximum Relative Vehicle Speeds
  - Dynamic Channel Impairments
  - Data Throughput
  - GNSS Accuracy
  - Interoperability
  - Security
  - Antenna Performance
  - Certification
  - More

- Solutions
  - End-to-End RF, protocol, functional, and ITS stack tests
  - GNSS Emulation for time and location synchronization
  - Emulation and verification
C-V2X Signaling solution Overview
Keysight in 5GAA

ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE STANDARDS

ETSII-5GAA C-V2X testing event in Europe confirms high level of interoperability

19/12/2019
Keysight 5G & C-V2X Emulation Solutions

SUPPORTING OUR CUSTOMERS WORKFLOW

Keysight 1st Solutions across the entire device R&D workflow

5G/C-V2X Interactive R&D Solutions

- Protocol R&D
- RF DVT
- Functional & ITS Layer

5G/C-V2X Device Acceptance Solutions

- Protocol Conformance
- RF / RRM Conformance
- Carrier Acceptance

Interactive 5G/ITS Stack and Tools

UXM 5G Wireless Test Platform

Common measurement science, logging, and automation

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SA8700A C-V2X Test Solutions

**PAVES THE WAY FOR CONNECTED CARS**

- **RF, Protocol, Message & Application Layer test**
  - Covers both interfaces:
    - User-to-UTRAN (Uu)
    - Direct Communication PHY sidelink (PC5)

- **ITS Stack and Application Layer Test**
  - Offline scenario creation (Nordsys waveBEECreator)
  - Execute scenario (NordsysITS stack + Keysight)
  - **Congestion Scenario Test**

- Accelerates deployment of advanced safety features

- Includes GNSS emulator
Keysight C-V2X ITS Applications

Solution Overview

Keysight C-V2X ITS Applications

DAQ configuration and Acquisition

External Trigger

10MHz Ref Signal

Serial conn. (AT commands)

LAN Connection

DUT

Sidelink RF

LTE RF

LTE Stack

Sidelink Stack

ITS

LTE/C-V2X Test App

LTE Stack

Sidelink Stack

ITS Stack

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Keysight First to Achieve 3GPP C-V2X Radio Frequency Conformance Test Case Validation

Keysight solutions enable the automotive industry to accelerate commercialization of connected cars and autonomous vehicles

SANTA ROSA, Calif., November 21, 2019

Keysight Technologies, Inc. (NYSE: KEYS), a leading technology company that helps enterprises, service providers and governments accelerate innovation to connect and secure the world, announced that the company achieved 3rd Generation Partnership Project (3GPP) validation of the industry’s first cellular vehicle-to-everything communications (C-V2X) radio frequency (RF) conformance test case. As a result, Keysight is enabling the automotive industry to accelerate commercialization of connected cars and autonomous vehicles.

Performance validation of C-V2X is crucial for C-V2X certification and commercialization. 3GPP validation of Keysight’s conformance test case enables the C-V2X connected ecosystem to achieve performance compliance with the specifications of the 3GPP standards, both for Release 14 and 5G new radio (NR) Release 16. The test case
GCF C-V2X Status

Feb 2020: First protocol C-V2X Validation
April 2020: More validations done for C-V2X

- Keysight is the only one with both protocol and RF C-V2X test cases validated.
- Keysight is exclusive in RF C-V2X test cases validations.
- In the protocol space, we are equivalent to other test platform.

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Keysight C-V2X ITS Applications

**NORDSYS AND KEYSIGHT SOFTWARE COMPONENTS**

- **Offline scenario creation**
  (Nordsys waveBEECreator)
  - Easy-to-access and quick visual scenario creation via touch-gestures
  - All types of V2X messages supported (traffic and infrastructure)
  - Supports US, EU standards (China coming soon)
  - Multiple entities (cars, traffic lights, etc.) and events in a single scenario
  - Easy integration of DUT into scenario
  - No need for auxiliary car system modulation (e.g. CAN-bus)

- **Execute scenario**
  (NordsysITS stack + Keysight)
  - Live-simulation and generation of V2X-messages
  - Real, secured V2X-communication for realistic scenarios
  - Network and physical layer uses UXM5G
  - Congestion generation of up to 500 vehicles

- **Analyze Scenarios**
  (Nordsys waveBEETouch)
  - Real-Time visual scenario view
  - Human-Readable message information (path history, lane information, signal phases, vehicle dimensions, etc)
  - Record and replay function for in-depth analysis
  - Detailed message dissection of raw and interpreted values
  - Customizable filters for multi-level message analysis

*Reduce costs by simulating multiple cars and ITS station at once.*
Congestion Testing

STRESS TEST TO VERIFY PERFORMANCE GOALS

• Stress test in lab to ensure devices work as designed
  • Verify application-layer behavior of devices

• Accurately & repeatably test use cases with varying levels of congestion (e.g., EEBL, FCW)
  • Repeatably test under different congestion conditions (e.g., # stations, varying distances between stations & more)
  • Vary “shapes” of congestion stations (e.g., linear, circular)
  • Modify directions of stations during tests

• Vary output power & periodicity based on number of stations enabled during tests
  • Simulate “near real-world” conditions in lab or test house
Demo
SA8700A C-V2X Test Solution
Keysight C-V2X Test Solution Portfolio

SAME X-APPS ACROSS HARDWARE PLATFORM

End-to-End Signaling Test
UXM5G + MXG & N7609C Signal Studio for GNSS

Non-Signaling PHY layer Test
N9080EM4E LTE C-V2X Mod Analysis on X-Analyzers (w/ Multi-Touch GUI)
N7626C Signal Studio for V2X on X-Series Sources
E6640A EXM Wireless Test Set
LTE C-V2X X-App as the product number of:
V9080EM4E LTE V2X Measurement Application
Y9080EM4E LTE V2X Measurement and Waveform Application

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