UWB automotive trends, challenges and over the air test solutions

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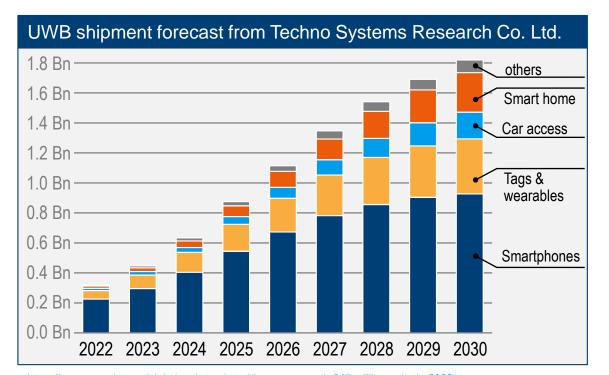


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Global forecast: More than 300 M UWB units shipped in 2022 and more than 1.8 Bn units shipped by 2030.





Google: Pixel 6 Pro

https://www.eetasia.com/global-uwb-market-shipment-to-reach-317-million-units-in-2022/



Ultra-wideband standard driven by a strong ecosystem

IEEE 802.15.4a High Rate Pulse Repetition UWB

IEEE

802.15.4f Low Rate Pulse Repetition UWB

2018

2019 2020

IEEE 802.15.4z

HRP/LRP UWB enhancements

2020

IEEE 802.15.4ab Next generation

ÜWB

2021

2007

UWB

2012

Mission to be the voice of UWB ecosystem in order to support growth of UWB technology through end2end, vendor-agnostic interoperability

uwballiance.org

The Power to Be Precise

Provide seamless user experiences using the secured Fine RAnging and positioning capabilities of interoperable UWB technology

firaconsortium.org

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Industry standard to integrate existing technologies such as UWB, BLE. RFID. 5G or GPS in order to deliver positioning data via a uniform interface

omlox.com

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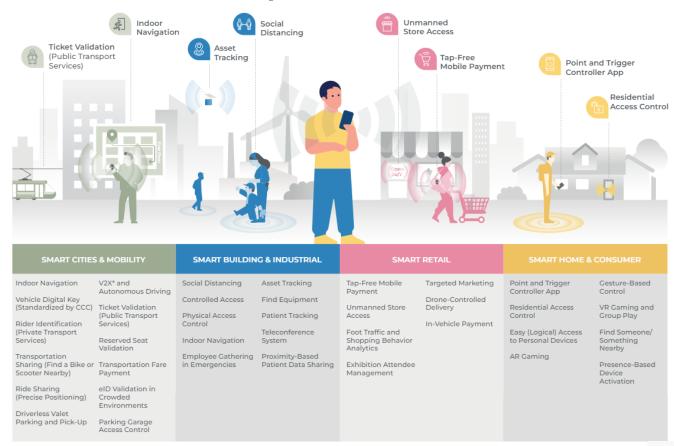
CARCONNECTIVITY consortium

Digital Key Release 3.0 specification which combines NFC. Bluetooth LE and UWB to enable secure passive keyless access and engine start

carconnectivity.org



FiRa Consortium: the scope of use cases





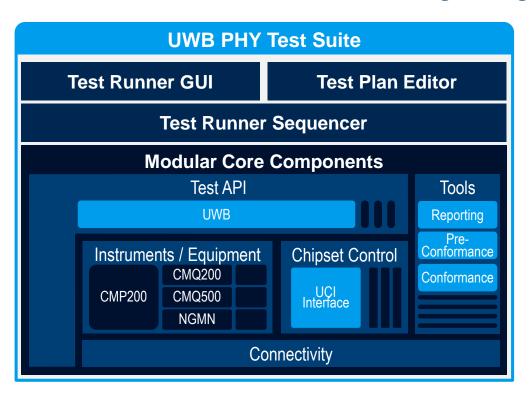






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Tailored for UWB non-signaling R&D applications based on the R&S wireless non-signaling test solution framework



- Two supported Modi
 - Pre-Conformance
 - Conformance
- Flexible integration into any automated testing environment
- Field-proven speed of test execution
- High efficiency by simultaneous testing (smart channel)
- Insightful and easy customizable GUI for sequencing and test plan creation

New UWB test solution based on FiRa validated certification solution creates great solutions in the UWB ecosystem

UWB PHY Test Suite Conformance





UWB PHY Test Suite

Research & Development





UWB PHY Test Suite

R&D Automation











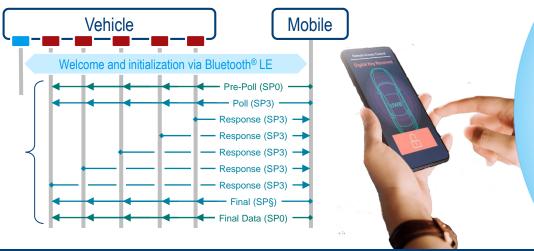


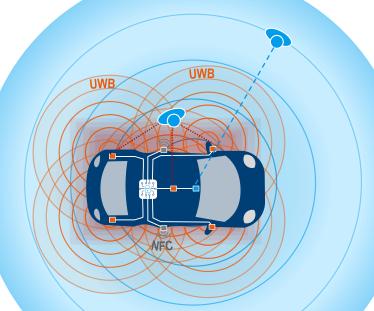




CCC Digital Key Release 3.0 adds hands-free, location-aware keyless access and location-aware features

The CCC has adopted the UWB secure ranging technology based on High Rate Pulse repetition frequency (HRP) standardized in IEEE 802.15.4z in combination with standard Bluetooth® Low Energy connectivity.





Bluetooth® Low Energy

Rohde & Schwarz member of CARCONNECTIVITY consortium

The CCC Digital Key certification program is under development and targeted for release by 2023 (see CCC Whitepaper "CCC Digital Key – The Future of Vehicle Access)

Major Upcoming Use Case in Automotive-Child Presence Detection

► NXP`s UWB Trimension™ NCJ29D6 IC (Ranger5) enables secure ranging (AoA) and ultra short-range radar (**UWB Radar**, 6-8GHz)

▶ Vital sensing applications are not only addressed by UWB (IEEE 802.15.4ab) but also by Wi-Fi

(IEEE 802.11bf), and 60 GHz radar.

► In-cabin radar will be part of future European NCAP regulations.

▶ Devisions and MSs (WIC, AUT) investigating customer requirements and test solutions.



UWB Radar

Motion Detection

Link NXP

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R&S®CMP200 – UWB device testing



CMP200 features

- One general purpose analyzer Frequency range: 6 to 20 GHz
- One ARB generator Replay of predefined waveforms Frequency range: 6 to 20 GHz
- Three switchable ports with smart channel support, 1 GHz bandwidth

Compact UWB non-signaling tester for HRP in high band

- HRP UWB PHY TX measurements (802.15.4)
 Band group 2: 6.5 to 9.5 GHz
- HRP UWB RX measurements by use of customer waveforms or R&S®WinIQSIM2
- Time of flight and angle of arrival measurements
- New CMQ200-HS from 0.3 14GHz @ 80dB shielding



Typical PHY measurements for HRP UWB devices

Defined in IEEE 802.15.4 incl. 802.15.4z

- Regulatory requirements: Maximum allowable output power spectral density e.g. FCC/ETSI¹⁾ -41.3dBm/MHz
- Baseband impulse response:
 - Normalized cross-correlation (main/side lobe limits)
 - Pulse amplitude mask
- Transmit power spectral density mask
- Chip rate clock and chip carrier alignment accuracy of ± 20 × 10⁻⁶
- Transmit center frequency tolerance of ± 20 x 10⁻⁶

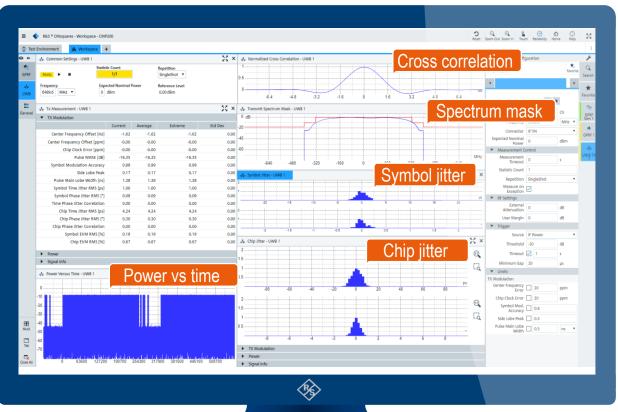
Additional measurements

- Chip/symbol clock jitter analysis
- Chip/symbol phase jitter analysis
- Main lobe width / peak
- Side lobe width / peak
- Transmit signal quality using a normalized root mean square error (NRMSE) metric
- Chip/Symbol EVM
- Preamble/data Power
- Power vs Time
- Receiver sensitivity
- ...

(HRP UWB PHY measurements, based on IEEE 802.15.4-2015 Chapter 16)



HRP UWB transmitter measurements with R&S®CMP200

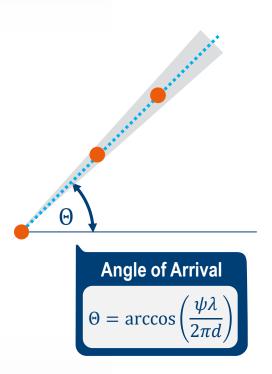




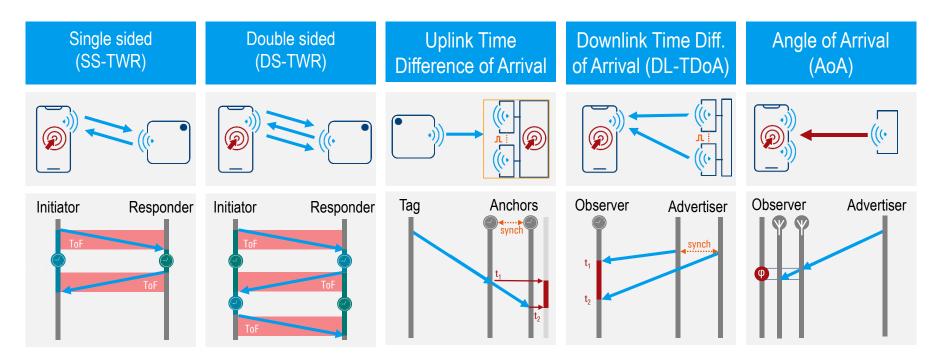


Fine ranging/positioning with UWB



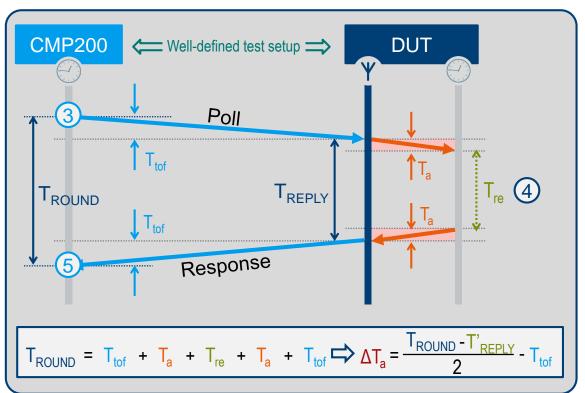


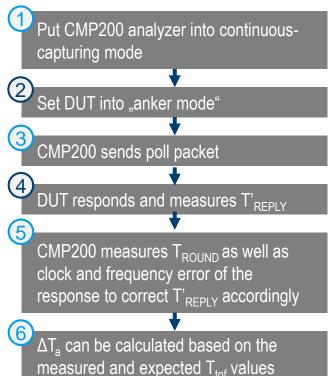
UWB ranging and positioning is all about absolute/relative signal propagation time(s)





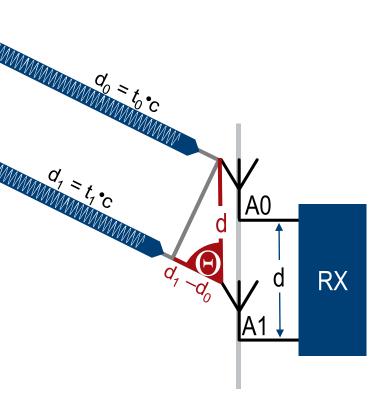
How does R&S®CMP200 initiated calibration works

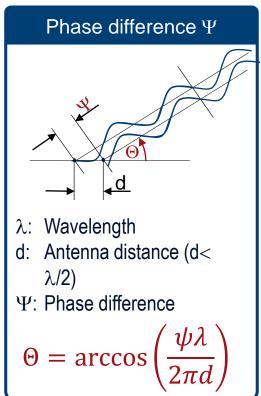






Angle of Arrival (AoA) based on phase difference measurement







Antennas play a crucial role for the RF performance

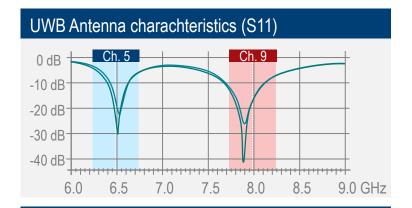


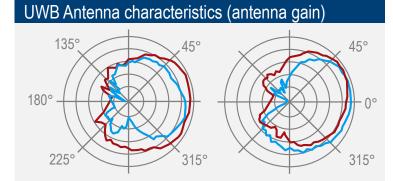
Antenna characteristics on several channels over channel bandwidth of more than 500 MHz due to frequency dependencies of the properties:

- Matching
- Efficiency
- Gain
- Directivity
- Group delay

Impact of final device design

- Antenna coupling
- Antenna feeding
- Ground plane
- Housing,





Source: Master Thesis Daniela Lutz @ Rohde & Schwarz



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UWB RF test solution with R&S chambers

ATS800R compact CATR test chamber on a rack



Key Features & Benefits

- Footprint of 0.7 m²
- Easily transportable on wheels
- High shielding effectiveness
- 12HU space for instruments in optional rack
- Flexible in use and setup
 - With rack
 - Benchtop
 - On wheels but without rack
 - As shield box (no reflector/feed but absorber cover)

ATS800R – motorized Tilt/Tilt Positioner

(under development)

► Positioner with two perpendicular tilting planes

- Compared to alternative positioner
 CATR-P3DR polarization match to feed antenna is kept while moving DUT in both planes
- Requirement for AoA measurement in UWB
- Also important for phase/polarization oriented DUTs such as radar (compare ATS1500C positioner)

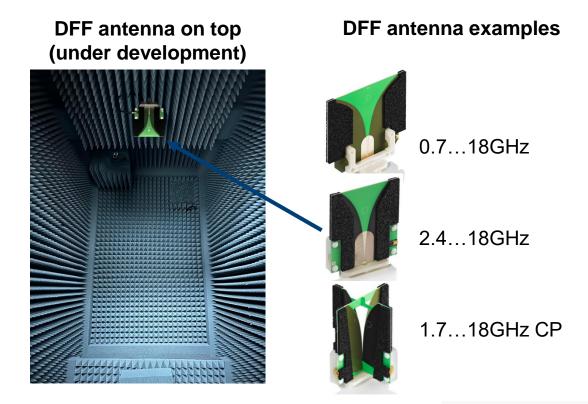
Max. DUT size: 27cm x 41cm

Max. DUT weight: 2.5kg centered



Ats800r – DFF (Antenna)

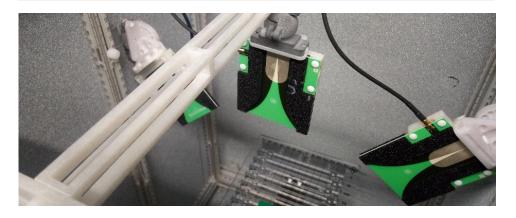
- ► Flexible antenna holder in center above DUT location
- Antenna can be interchanged easily





R&S®CMQ200-HS shielding cube designed for multi-antenna OTA Testing for UWB in combination with the R&S® CMP200

- New member of the CMQ family for a frequency range of 0.3 to 14 GHz
- High shielding support of 80 dB
- Perfectly suited for multi-antenna setups required for UWB AoA measurements







Far field threshold definitions

Fraunhofer distance (r_{Fr})

Fraunhofer distance concerns the whole radiation pattern of the antenna which may be overly conservative in some cases

$$r_{Fr} = rac{2D^2}{\lambda}$$
 $rac{\lambda - Wavelength}{D - largest dimension}$ of the radiator

Benoit "Derat" distance (r_{De})

If we are concerned with the **main beam only**, the Fraunhofer distance can be replaced by the so called "Derat" distance, defined as the distance where the radiation density in the peak direction of a Standard Gain Horn antenna lies within 0.5 dB of the EIRP at infinite far field condition

$$r_{De} = \lambda \left(\frac{\pi D}{\lambda}\right)^{0.8633} \left[0.1673 \left(\frac{\pi D}{\lambda}\right)^{0.8633} + 0.1632 \right]$$

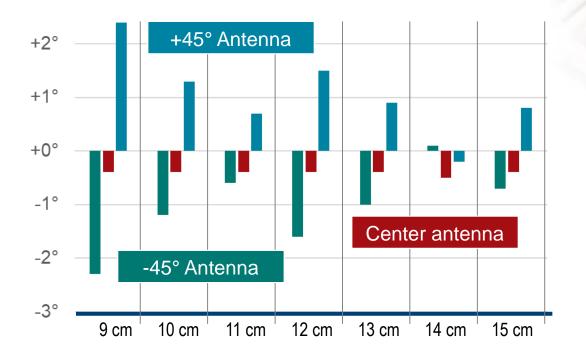


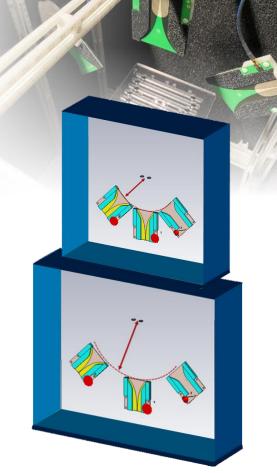
D = 70 mm	r _{Fr}	r _{De}
Channel 5 @ 6489.6 MHz	~ 21 cm	~ 14 cm
Channel 9 @ 7987.2 MHz	~ 26 cm	~ 16 cm

Benoît Derat, Gerhard F. Hamberger, Fabian Michaelsen; Shortest range length to measure the total radiated power; IET Microwaves, Antennas & Propagation, Volume 13, Issue 15, December 2019, p. 2584 – 2589

Alex J. Yuffa, Marc A. Valdez, Benoît Derat; On convergence of the upper bound on the ratio of gain to quality factor; to appear on the proceedings of AMTA21

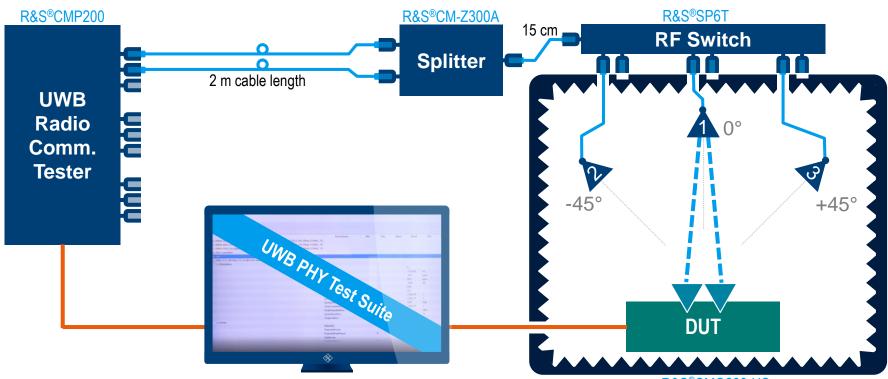
Simulations of AoA measurement errors dependent on the distance to the antennas





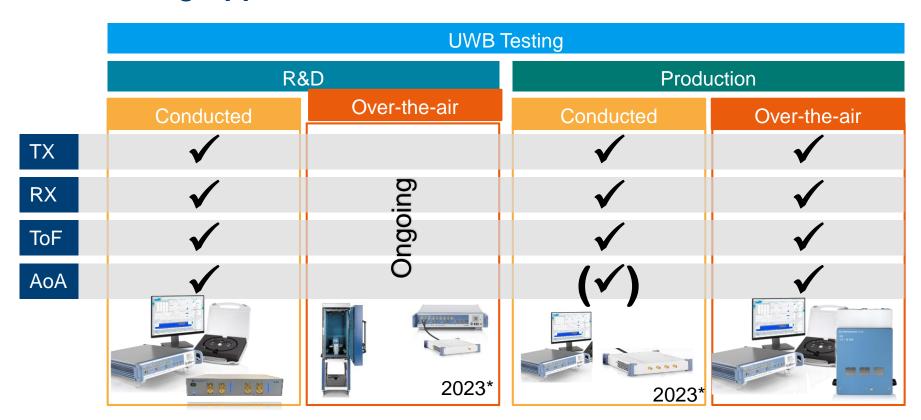


Typical UWB setup for OTA test with multiple antennas (recommended for ToF and AoA measurements)





UWB testing Applications





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Study Group 4ab: UWB Next Generation

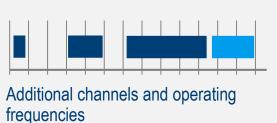
802.15.4ab enhances the Ultra Wideband (UWB) physical layers (PHYs) medium access control (MAC), and associated ranging techniques while retaining backward compatibility with enhanced ranging capable devices (ERDEVs).

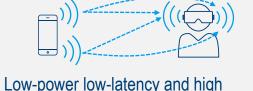


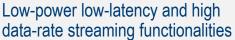
Additional coding, preamble and modulation schemes

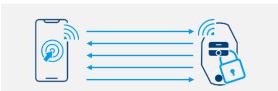


Sensing capabilities to support presence detection and mapping

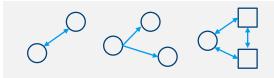








Improvements to accuracy, precision and reliability ranging



Support for P2P, P2M, and station-to-infrastructure protocols



Application note for Ranger 4

Application Note

AUTOMOTIVE UWB DEVICE TESTING OVER THE AIR

Calibration and Verification Solution

Products:

- ► R&S®CMP200
- ► R&S®CMQ200 HS
- ► R&S®CMQ500

- R&S®WMT
- ▶ R&S®WinIQSIM2
- ▶ R&S®CM-Z300A

Yong Shi | 1SL394 | Version 1e | 03.2023

http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/appnote/1SL394



Worthwhile to read

HIGH RATE PULSE ULTRAWIDEBAND PHYSICAL LAYER TESTING AND **CERTIFICATION**

White paper | Version 01.00 | Yong Shi

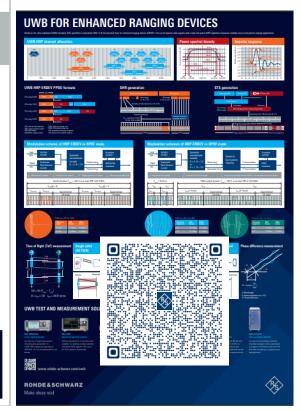


SIMPLIFY FiRa™ CERTIFICATION FOR YOUR UWB DEVICE

The validated UWB PHY test suite for the R&S®CMP200 radio communication

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Worthwhile to watch ...







Testing ultra-wideband for automotive applications



Reinforce a seamless UWB experience









UWB Training offered by Schooling department





Kasdepke Thomas 1ATL

Topics

- Introduction to HRP UWB RDEV Physical Layer (IEEE802.15.4-2020)
- Introduction to HRP UWB ERDEV Physical Layer (IEEE802.15.4z)
- Introduction to UWB ranging concepts
- CMP200 operation concept
- FiRa consortium physical layer test concept
- UWB RF conformance tests with R&S®CMP200 UWB PHY Test Suite
- Pre-conformance tests with modified FiRa consortium test plans



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