### Advanced ITS and Automated Driving Using Cellular Communications Technologies - Issue Survey Report -

### **ITS Info-communications Forum**

**Cellular System TG** 



## Background

- R&D and policy discussions on automated driving using communications are becoming more active globally.
- Using of cellular communication technologies (conventional telematics + V2V, V2I, V2P, etc.) to automated driving are expected. Such expectation tends to consider the communication performance and function only, but investigation on actual required operation to realize the expectation is essential.
- 3GPP:
  - LTE V2X(short-range)/5G NR(wide-area): Specification Done 5G NR V2X(short-range): Specification in progress
- CHINA:
  - 5.9GHz frequency allocated for ITS Field test using LTE V2X(by Wuxi, etc.)
- US/EU:
  - For LTE V2X(short-range comm.) feasibility, discussion is being undertaken. However, 2 different opinions exist.
  - Regarding the communication performance "5GAA" tested,
     C2CCC comments further verification is required.



# **Background (in JAPAN)**

- Some of the services are already deployed on the basis of existing ITS techniques.
- Top-end ITS needs to be maintained and upgraded for the benefit of the nation.
   Continuously, some projects are being carried out as government-private joint work.
- Strategic Innovation Program(SIP) by Cabinet Office, Govt. of JAPAN.
- Theme: Autonomous driving, focusing on system & service expansion, together with Dynamic map & V2X(w/ already deployed ITS, etc.)
- Technical Research & Test by MIC(Ministry of Internal Affair & Communication)
  - Theme: New wireless system for new connected-car society
- •ITS Information Communication system committee
  - Wireless System TG

XV2X test guideline (application of already deployed ITS for autonomous driving)

- Cellular System TG
  - **※** For the purpose of ITS & autonomous driving

TG is discussing on the themes of business models, infra-structures, inter-connections and securities as well as technical matters.

## **Concept of Cellular V2X**

Wide-area : Broadcast to all vehicles in wide-area via Cellular Network Short-range : Vehicle-to-Vehicle direct communication(not through BS) with "Low Latency" → assuming "Emergency Communication"



Cellular V2X (V2V/V2I/V2P/V2N)

### **Purpose of the report**

For the purpose of "Acceleration of Cellular V2X evaluation & Discussion on technical issues", Cellular System TG has issued the report.

CONTENTS: concept, use-case, communication architecture, business model, etc.



### Contents

Chapter	Contents
1	Current status and outlook of cellular communication systems -Trends in Standardization, Planned Frequencies and Service Deployment in Japan
2	Use case expected for communications and its roles -Collision avoidance and emergency braking due to falling object, vehicle involved in accident, etc.
3	Communications architecture -Short-range communications (V2V/V2I/V2P) -Wide-area communications (V2N)
4	Business model -Stakeholders under each use case -Cost factors in cellular V2X business
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# **Wide-area Communication**

### **Cellular V2X Architecture**



Cellular V2X (V2V/V2I/V2P/V2N)

#### Wide-area Communication(V2N)

- Communication via BS/Core-NW
- Existing Communication Infra-structures & Wireless interfaces
- IP Communication

#### Short-range Communication(V2V/V2I/V2P)

- Designated frequency for ITS
- Direct communication among V2X-special User equipment("UE")
- Non-IP Communication

## (Ref.) Technical Terms

- Base Station, NodeB
  - Base station means the equipment that communicates with mobile devices in the cellular network. A base station supports one or multiple cells.
  - NB (node B) is a WCDMA base station.
  - eNB (e node B) is an LTE base station.
  - gNB (g node B) is an NR base station.

Cell

The part of a cellular network that does not rely on wireless access technologies such as WCDMA, LTE, and NR. It includes S-GW and P-GW.

Wide-area Communication, Uu

#### Roadside unit (RSU)

Roadside units mean terminal-type devices that communicate with mobile stations using short-range communications. RSU can connect to networks using wide-area communications.

#### • Mobile station (MS), user equipment (UE)

Devices that communicate with networks in the cellular network.

Short-range Communication, PC5

	Wide-area Comm.	Short-range Comm.
Rel-8	LTE	
Rel-9	eMBMS (DL Broadcast)	
Rel-12		D2D (for Public Safety)
Rel-13	SC-PTM (DL Broadcast)	
Rel-14	SC-PTM for V2X	D2D Spec. for V2V/V2X
Rel-15	NR	D2D Spec. for V2V/V2X(modified)
Rel-16		D2D Spec. for V2V/V2X(NR)

### Wide-area(V2N)



## Wide-area(V2N)



**QoS (e.g., Priority Control)** 

-Specified and already deployed commercially.

-Due to BS location and/or bandwidth of installed core NW, neither call initiation, bit-rate nor latency is not guaranteed even if "Priority Control" is enabled.

- UE which does not support short-range communication is available.
- Multi-cast (eMBMS\*, SC-PTM) is standardized.
   \*eMBMS: On-field trial in JAPAN
   Commercially launched in other counties



# Wide-area(V2N)

#### **Backward Compatibility**

• UE supporting multiple standards for BS-dependent connectivity

BS compliant with standard A B Standard B Standard B Supported Communication. (LTE, GSM, WCDMA,

HSUPA/HSDPA)

• Multi-type UEs co-existence under a single BS.



Short-range Comm. Multi-bands(ex. Rel-14)

<u>Non-support</u> Short-range Comm. Single-bands(ex. Rel-8)

# **PC5** Interface

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 $\rightarrow$  PC5 supports short-range communication.

## **Characteristics of PC5 Interface**

### Direct Communication among UEs, not via mobile operator network

- 2 Types: Mode 3(associated with cellular network for its control), Mode4(no association)
- Communication coverage is limited.
- Low latency is expected, compared with wide-area communication
- GNSS Time synchronization
- ITS-specialized band (5.9 GHz assumed by 3GPP)
- Low data rate(approx. hundreds-thousands bps)
- Broadcast operation, mainly
- Mode 4 Properties
  - No SIM(= No cellular network subscription)
  - · Autonomous distributed system in Frequencies
  - Priority Controls
  - Congestion Control
  - Wireless parameters need to be configured, in advance("Pre-configuration")
- Technical Characteristics
  - Power increasing per bit
  - Longer-range communication by implemented HARQ & Turbo code
  - Security implemented in application layer, such as IEEE1609.2



### **Deterministic access control and resource scheduling**

Chooses blocks with lowest energy levels to meet latency requirements



### **PC5** Trials

Test on communication performance & Demonstration on safety use case



Commercial launch, targeting in Y2020-2021, is announced in China.

# Use case

### **Communication for Connected Vehicles**



## Way of thinking about use cases

Cellular network adaptation is summarized by: -considering information update interval -comparison with Dynamic Map, as discussed broadly -services already deployed and announced in public



### Examples of Use Case (from the view of data & services)

- Under the assumption of "Information update interval ≒ How to use the information", the likelihood applications are listed in the table below.
- 5 applications are to be discussed for further details in order to find out "key factor of the service".

fre	ation update quency	information	Application	Use level (application)	Anticipated applications	Site where information is used	Reference
			Safety		Prevention of pedestrian accidents	General road	In this area, there is a
	automated driving as one of multiple sensors	motorcycles)	Safety	Control intervention/warning	Prevention of collisions between vehicles crossing paths, lane change support	General road/vehicle only road	possibility that a system can be created by using communication as one of
	(multi-system)	Broken down vehicle or fallen obstacle (immediately ahead)	Safety	Control intervention	Rear end collision avaidance, emergency braking (1)	General road/vehicle only road	the multi-system senso in combination with
		Emergency braking by vehicle ahead	Safety	Control intervention		General road/vehicle only road	other sensors. Depending on the
		Real time operation information from vehicle driving ahead	Traffic facilitation, comfort	Control intervention	Convey traveling	Vehicle only road	application, ensuring reliability is the key
		Vehicle information on the main vehicle only road	Traffic facilitation, comfort	Control intervention/ warning/information provision	Merging support	Vehicle only road	1
		Signal color (display) information	Safety, comfort		Intersection passage support (2+1	General road	1
		Presence of oncoming traffic or crossing pedestrians at intersection	Safety		Prevention of collision with oncoming vehicle when making a right turn, collision with bicycle, etc. when making a left turn, accident involving crossing pedestrians	General road	
		ETC gate opening/closing information	Safety, comfort	Control intervention/ warning/information provision	Prevention of collision during rapid closing, gate selection, lane change	Vehicle only road	1
€ 8emi: âynaməc	Predictive information	Signal cycle information	Safety, Comfort	Warning/information provision	Avoidance of dilemma, red traffic light warning (2)-2	General road	Depending on the requirements of the
	Level for use in	Information on presence of obstacle or broken down vehicle	Safety, traffic facilitation	Information provision	Lane change support, roots selection (3)	General road/vehicle only road	vehicle, there is a possibility that cellular
	safe stopping and lane	Nearby emergency vehicle	Safety, traffic facilitation	Information provision	Vehicle avoidance support (4)	General road	communications can be used with other
	changing	Lane-specific traffic congestion information	Safety, traffic facilitation	Information provision	Lane change support, route research	General road	communications or individually.
estatie	Predictive information	Updated map information (partial update while traveling)	Traffic facilitation	Information provision		General road	There is a possibility that it can be used with the same performance
		Regulation information	Traffic facilitation	Information provision	Route research (5)	General road/vehicle only road	and mechanisms as
		Construction information	Traffic facilitation	Information provision	en ante a de la composición de la composi El composición de la c	General road/vehicle only road	conventional cellular
	changes, etc.	Traffic congestion information	Traffic facilitation	Information provision		General road/vehicle only road	communications.
		Traffic congestion end information	Traffic facilitation		Turn off support, automated → manual determination	Vehicle only road	]
		Air bag, etc. deployment information		Information provision	HELP	General road/vehicle only road	
diatie	Level for use in route preparation for automated driving	High-precision map Updated map information (acquisition during stoppage)			Route search	General road/vehicle only road General road/vehicle only road	This is use of what is referred to telematics and is outside the scope of this investigation.

# (1) "Collison Avoidance & Emergency Braking" refrain from falling objects, broken-down vehicles



# 2-1 Signal color information2-2 Signal cycle information

#### "Intersection Passage Support" "Avoidance of dilemma/Red traffic light warning"



Case: V2I + V2N

Points: Collaboration with Traffic Control Center

Issues: V2I···Communication reliability, Service differentiation from already deployed ITS Connect,

Installment to cover all signals at intersection

V2N···Latency, Network structure to satisfy the requirements, like fail-safe mechanism.

#### **3**Lane change/Route selection support by information on obstacles/broken-down vehicles



### **(4) Vehicle avoidance support for nearby emergency vehicle**



Case : V2V (+V2N)

Points: Possibility of relationship with new services using V2N, such as re-routing.

Issues : Guaranteed communication, especially for information delivery to autonomous vehicles. Inter-connection among MNOs

### **⑤**Re-routing caused by road maintenance/traffic congestion



- On the basis of discussions in public & practical use cases, in this chapter, we focus on communication update interval.
- To find out and recognize unclear points, 5 use cases are discussed in next chapter.

**※**Benefit of cellular V2X needs to be evaluated in order to realize those use cases.

# **Communication Architecture**

## **Operation in Short-range Comm.**

**Comm. Parameters** 

Operation

Parameter control

Protocol Stack

In case of terminal autonomous operation,

short-range communication has no relationship with wide-area communication(MNO).

Update by OTA, upon Delivery, Maintenance

Terminal Autonomous Operation





Autonomous Comm.

based on sensing

Short-range comm. control per MNO is mandatory for network management.

Network Management

Parameter distribution from BS

Radio resource allocation

### Autonomous operation: independent of network

Operation

Parameter control

**Protocol Stack** 



Along with a particular use case, its parameter management needs to be considered.

### **Sample Parameters in Short-range Communication**

Operation Parameter control

Protocol Stack



### **Protocol Stack of Short-range Communication**

Operation
Parameter control
Protocol Stack



- Radio layer, lower layer, is defined by 3GPP.
- Upper layer specification, including security, needs to be defined for region in JAPAN.

**Upper layer specification in Japan : To be defined.** 



- Cellular network → Vast of maintenance cost
- Assuming MNO infrastructures (for unicast) realized shortly.
- QoS would NOT be guaranteed even if it is implemented.

#### Existing MNO infrastructure needs to be evaluated for future architecture.



Further Discussion: Delivery method & Rule to the vehicles in a certain area.

Architecture Geo-messaging Destination MGMT. MEC/MNO



Considering scalability & efficiency...

Function-sharing for information delivery needs to be discussed and cleared.


Considering its cost, effectiveness study on MEC is necessary.

## **Summary of Communication Architecture**

#### • Discussion Points for Short-range Communication

Autonomous & independent communication →Independent of MNO

Pre-configured parameters per area & management method to be discussed.  $\rightarrow$  Possible use case of wide-area communication, such as cloud management.

#### Discussion Points for Wide-area Communication

Considering CAPEX & OPEX, existing infrastructure needs to be used.  $\rightarrow$  Service design to be realized under multi-MNOs.

Information gathering & V2X information delivery server → Inter-connection among MNOs, Cloud and transmission line, Information delivery, System operation rule

MEC might be efficient at the point of latency or load  $\rightarrow$  Much processing at edge shall be avoided, considering its cost performance?

# **Business Model**

## From the view of the report...

Based on the principle that beneficiaries should pay for a project,

Cost shall be compensated by the beneficiaries of the values, such as; -accident decreasing -expansion of autonomous driving industries.



Stakeholders are listed, then Cost factors in V2V, V2I and V2N are evaluated, respectively.

## Stakeholders of each use case

			Stakeholders	
	Use case	Information Provider	System Provider	Beneficiary
1	<u>Collision avoidance and emergency</u> <u>braking</u> due to falling objects, vehicles involved in accidents, etc.	Driver Vehicle Owner	Car OEMs, system operation managers, etc.	Drivers, car owners, etc.
2	Intersection passage support/dilemma zone avoidance/red traffic signal warning using traffic signal cycle information	Traffic signal managers, etc.	Traffic signal managers, MNOs, system operation managers, etc.	Drivers, car owners, road administrators, etc.
3	Lane change support/route selection using information on the presence of an obstacle, broken- down vehicle, etc.	Drivers, car owners, road managers, etc.	Road administrators, MNOs, system operation managers, etc.	Drivers, car owners, etc.
4	<u>Vehicle avoidance support</u> using information on nearby emergency vehicles	Emergency vehicle operators, etc.	Hospitals, MNOs, system operation managers, etc.	Drivers, emergency vehicle operators, and users, etc.
5	Route reselection using construction and regulatory information	Road administrators, constructors, etc.	Road administrators, MNOs, system operation managers, etc.	Drivers, road administrators, constructors, etc.

## **Cost factors in Cellular V2X business**

#### V2N & V2I: Cost would be higher due to infrastructures, data communication.



## Assumption: V2V Terminal sales as mainstream

### Business Models

- Compared with initial & running fee of V2N, the fee of V2V is smaller.
- V2V terminal sales would be mainstream of its business, like existing ITS business model.

## • Popularization requires:

- V2V communication by smartphone, with the limited features
- Low-cost in-vehicle devices
- Incentives for users

## Compensation of costs (V2I/V2N) [1/3]

Popularization is expected by means of :

- Chargeable-sustainable business model.
- Mutual combination(V2N & V2I).

#### Business Model

- Compared with V2V, initial & running fee of infrastructure is higher.
- Data fee is not negligible.

For recovery of infrastructure costs, chargeable-sustainable business model, like a cellular business, is expected.

## Compensation of costs (V2I/V2N) [2/3]

• For popularization

#### [1] V2I/V2N-common Service

V2N service would be launched together with cellular network, then; Step1: Service coverage expansion needs. Step2: V2I infrastructure development, for highly-demanded use cases, is necessary.



## Compensation of costs (V2I/V2N) [3/3]

#### • For popularization

#### [2] Revenue improvement in B2B, B2B2C model

- Data acquired from V2N/I infrastructures would be shared to 3<sup>rd</sup> parties for a fee
- V2N/I service providers would mediate information sharing among the multi-corporate users & the drivers.



# Summary

- Issues on Communication
  - Short-range communication
  - Wide-area communication
- Issues on Communication Sharing
  - Information acquisition
  - Information usage at Vehicles
- Issues on Services & Business models
- Issues on Service Responsibility

## **Issues on Communication (Short-range Communication)**



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Currently, most issues are related to radio frequencies. Further discussion in each use case needs for frequency standard & communication methods.

	lssues		Correspondin Case				
		#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	
	Acquisition of frequency allocation, standardization of communication methods	~			V		
	Establishment of communications parameters and operational methods	~			$\checkmark$		
Current test is not sufficient.	Creation and maintenance of interconnectivity and security operational management systems	~			$\checkmark$		
Further discussion, especially on scalability & availability, is	Verification of feasibility (latency and reliability) and availability	V			$\checkmark$		
necessary.	Responses in cases where performance requirements are not met and countermeasure costs	~			$\checkmark$		

## Issues on Communication (Wide-area Communication)



Performance test of existing cellular networks & countermeasures for irregular cases are to be considered.

Issues		Corresponding Use Case						
	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5			
Verification of feasibility (latency and reliability) and availability		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	~			
Investigation of communications quality improvement methods (if necessary)		V	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	V			
Responses in cases where performance requirements are not met and countermeasure costs		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	V			
Responses to differences in the service areas of each MNO		V	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	~			

In case of priority control, investment & MNO arrangement are necessary to be discussed.

## **Issues on Communication Sharing(Information acquisition)**





Further discussion on each use case is necessary to confirm the data source. Interface definition & standardization for data acquisition are mandatory. Feasibility test shall be required in view of security & privacy.

	Perspective	Issues		Corresponding Use Case					
	Feispeciive			#2	#3	#4	#5		
		Obtaining approval to acquire source information from associations and organizations		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	V		
1	Acquisition from associations and organizations	Creation of systems for acquiring information from information sources (precision, security, etc.)		$\checkmark$	~	~	$\checkmark$		
		Standardization of equipment specification, formats, etc. for acquiring information from information sources		V	~	~	$\checkmark$		
		Adoption of message format and protocol specifications	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$			
а	Acquisition from	Adoption of guidelines for controlling variations among vehicles generating information	V			~			
	associations and organizations	Security and privacy countermeasures	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$				
		Obtaining consent regarding the use of information from each vehicle owner	~		$\checkmark$				

## Issues on Communication Sharing (Information usage at Vehicles)



Standardization & Guideline are mandatory for assured information usage at receivers' side.

	Corresponding Use Case					
Issues	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	
Adoption of message format and protocol specifications	V	~	V	V	V	
Ensuring the reliability of received information (communications route security)	V	~	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	V	
Formulation of guidelines on the use of received information (including consideration of latency)	V	V	V	V	$\checkmark$	

In wide-area communication, communication path becomes to be complexed, which is a matter.



Continuous cost compensation & operation modeling-popularization are to be discussed and resolved.

laguag	Corresponding Use						
Issues	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5		
Formulation of service definitions and guidelines	~	V	~	V	$\checkmark$		
Development of systems from acquisition of source information to provision to vehicles		V	~	V	$\checkmark$		
Securing service opportunities (promoting widespread adoption of terminals, developing infrastructure, etc.)	V	V	$\checkmark$	V	V		
Reducing the cost of PC5 onboard devices (to promote widespread adoption)	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$			
Burden of Uu communications costs		$\checkmark$	~	V	$\checkmark$		
Investment relating to improvement of communications quality (if necessary)	~	V	V	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		
Development of servers for information acquisition, collection, and distribution and establishment of business taking into consideration costs for maintenance of distribution servers and other equipment (including acquisition of public funding and cooperation and collaboration with associations and organizations)		V	V	V	~		



The factors which do not exist in current ITS, such as wide-area communication & autonomous driving, is to be discussed.

Issues	Corresponding Use Case					
155005			#3	#4	#5	
Clarification of the allocation of responsibility from acquisition of source information to provision to vehicles	$\checkmark$	V	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	~	
Formulation of response policies when services are suspended due to hardware failures, network problems, etc.	$\checkmark$	V	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	~	
Clarification of the scope of certification and inspection (pre-shipment inspection, vehicle inspections, etc.)	V	V				

- Cellular V2X, wide-area(V2N) & short-range(V2V/I/P), is attractive for any types of services.
  - Many items to be confirmed for commercial operation, thanks to its much flexibility.

#### • Issues to be discussed for commercial phase:

- use cases, performance requirements, business models, frequencies, communication specifications, regulations, rules, infrastructure development, etc.
- Expecting that:

-discussion on benefit / values,

-discussion on impact in aspect of legal system & business, then -those activities move forward to better ITS services

# **Future Plan**

## Schedule

		Y2019		Y2020			
	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q		
3GPP		Re	91.16		Rel.17		
	Report		Discussion for n	ext edition			
Cellular system TG	▲ JP-v	▲ Workshop (Jul. 4th) ersion issued EN	▲ ITS world congre I-version issued	ess in SIN	Next edition		