Advancing In-Vehicle Connectivity for ADAS and Other Automotive Applications

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MIPI ALLIANCE FORMED TO STANDARDIZE CAMERA AND DISPLAY INTERFACES

2003
MIPI Specifications Leveraged Beyond Mobile

Fundamentally, usage rights are granted to members royalty free for implementation of MIPI specifications from all MIPI members.

Number of current specifications

48
MIPI in Automotive

MIPI Specifications in Automotive Today

**CSI-2**
Camera Serial Interface protocol
Protocol for cameras, lidar, radar sensors

**DSI-2**
Display Serial Interface protocol
Protocol for smartphone, IOT and automotive displays

**C-PHY**
3-phase physical layer for CSI-2 & DSI-2
Short-reach physical layer for cameras and displays

**D-PHY**
Differential physical layer for CSI-2 & DSI-2
Short-reach physical layer for cameras and displays

**I3C**
Control and data bus protocol and interface
Sensor and general purpose data and control interface within a module

**RFFE**
RF control protocol
Front end control within a wireless module

**SoundWire & SWI3S**
Digital audio and control interface
Audio interface within a module

**UniPro for JEDEC UFS**
Data transport protocol for UFS over M-PHY
Transport protocol for UFS storage

**M-PHY for JEDEC UFS**
Differential physical layer for UFS storage
Short-reach physical transport for UFS storage

Cameras, displays, audio, sensors, storage, RFFE for 5G, WiFi, Bluetooth

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Auto Industry Transformation

Honda and GM Partner to Develop Mass Produced, Driverless Cars
Source: October 4, 2018, Automotive News

Huge changes in the industry:

- Worldwide new car assessment program (government safety regulations such as FCWS, AEBS, RVS, LDWS, etc.)
- Aggressive fuel economy regulations
- Electrification of cars
- New OEMs, new business models, new alliances
- Autonomous driving systems
- Car connectivity
NCAP Regulations Driving Sensors & Display Adoption

- Worldwide NCAP ADAS standards driving adoption of multiple high data rate “surround sensors”
- Displays for driver viewing of assistance imaging and information also required
Fuel Economy a Market Force

- Fuel economy regulations drive auto tech: Mild hybrids, mirror replacement cameras (MRC), etc.
- MRCs weigh less and reduce side-mirror drag 2%~7%, resulting in improved fuel economy (with improved safety, too)
- Japan/EU regulatory approval for mirrorless cars as of 2016, U.S. approval pending
- Japan new vehicle 2023 projections:*
  - Digital rear-view mirrors: 29%
  - Digital side-view mirrors: 12%

* Source: Ichikoh

“Today’s average car burns a full tank of fuel every year, just by transporting its mirrors.”
- Brad Duncan, Sr. Director, Exa Corp.
Autonomous Driving System/Architecture

CENTRAL CHALLENGE: Transport raw image sensor and/or radar data to fusion processor, and processor/other generated data to the displays

Data Rates

For camera/image sensors, 10Gbps link could support:
- RAW16 10MP 1 max exposure channel @ 60fps
- RAW 16 2MP 4 max exposure channel @ 60fps

For radar, 12.5Gbps link could support:
- Four “typical” 4-RX-channel (50MS/sec, 12b res)
- Two “max” 4-RX-channel (80MS/sec, 16b res)

For display subsystems, 16Gbps link could support:
- Ultra-HD 3840x2160 24-bits/pixel RGB 4:4:4 60 Hz
### Automotive Image Sensors

*Source: MIPI AsG BoF Meetings*

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**Link with 10Gbps could support:**
- Up to RAW16, 10MP 1 max exposure channel @ 60fps; 10MP 2 max exposure channel @ 30fps; 2MP 4 max exposure channel @ 60fps
- Up to RAW24, 10MP, 1 max exposure channel @ 30 fps

**Link with 5Gbps could support:**
- Up to RAW16, 2MP 2 max exposure channel @ 60fps
- Up to RAW24, 2MP, 1 max exposure channel @ 60 fps
Automotive Radar

- Data rate per RX channel ADC:
  - Min 20MS/s, 12b resolution
  - Typical 50MS/s, 12b resolution
  - Max 80MS/s, 16b resolution

- Today: clusters of 4 channel transceiver

→ Required channel bandwidth for raw data transmission:
  - Min 0.96Gbps
  - Typical 2.40Gbps
  - Max 5.12Gbps

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Why MIPI A-PHY for Automotive?

MIPI Alliance can provide auto OEMs with a standard I/F vs. current incompatible proprietary LVDS solutions, and enables the use/reuse of billions of instances of MIPI protocols like CSI-2.

MIPI asymmetric and low complexity automotive I/Fs complementary w/ automotive Ethernet solution:

- High market growth driving MIPI member interest
- Ability to leverage economies of scale from mobile -> automotive
- Physical layer investigations using auto channels (<15m) as targets indicate technically feasible

**Cautionary points:**
- Migration from consumer to automotive not trivial
- MIPI Alliance not trying to replace existing auto network standards: CAN, LIN, MOST, Auto Ethernet, etc.
- MIPI C-/D-PHYSM, MIPI CSI-2SM, MIPI DSI-2SM currently short range – board-level interface for automotive
AUTOMOTIVE REQUIREMENTS

Reliability  Zero Defects  Uninterrupted Supply  Security  Safety

Technology
Process & Packaging

Design
DFM, DFT

Validation
Qualification, Characterization

Production
Testing

Support
Supply Chain, FA, FQE

STANDARDS

ISO 26262  AEC-Q100  TS16949  MISRA-C*  Others

Over 50 Differences Between Automotive & Consumer Semiconductor Support Covered by Standards
MIPI Automotive Timeline

- **2017**
  - Automotive activities began
  - Automotive Working Group formed
  - ARD v0.56

- **2018**
  - ARD v0.8
  - ARD v1.0.1

- **2019**
  - ARD v1.1

- **2020**
  - Final version Q1 2020
  - Release candidate EOY 2019
  - EMC testing

The timeline includes the development stages from the formation of the Automotive Working Group in 2017 to the final version in 2020, with key milestones such as the release of various versions of the specification documents.
EMC Testing Overview

**PURPOSE:**
To develop the noise and interference requirements in the automotive environment

**TARGET EMC TEST:**
- Focused on the following immunity and related tests:
  - **ALSE RF Ingress (ISO11452-2)**
  - BCI (ISO11452-4)
  - Transient Immunity (ISO7637-3)
  - Screening Attenuation (IEC62153-4)
- Testing focused on coax rather than STP or SPP, and was performed by Sony, Murata and Shikoku Cable
- Additional interference sources covered by individual company and included the following sources:
  - PCB near end crosstalk (NEXT)
  - Alien crosstalk
  - Car noise

**Cooperation with Other Companies**

- **Use of EMC facilities:**
  Murata Manufacturing Company, Yokohama tech center
- **Cable assembly:**
  Shikoku Cable, Rosenberger Japan, MD Elektronik
- **Use of equipment:**
  BMW, Valens
- **Comment and discussion:**
  MIPI Automotive WG member companies including BMW, Microchip, NXP, Valens

*Absorber-lined Shielded Enclosure*
Automotive PHY Requirements Overview

**Miscellaneous Other Requirements**

- Bit Error Rate shall be less than $10^{-12}$ for both data and control streams
- Latency (Data Link Layer to Data Link Layer) shall be less than 16 µSec
- Design shall support DC power over the data lines with a maximum current limit of 0.5 A
- System shall operate with GND voltage offsets of up to ±1.0 V
- A-PHY shall provide the following modes: Shutdown, Start-Up, Active, Sleep and Safe State
- The A-PHY Data Link Layer shall be agnostic to the higher-level protocols and with an overhead of 20% maximum
- Protocol Adaptation Layer shall support MIPI protocols w/ minimal changes needed
- It shall be possible to aggregate multiple links for increased HS data BW
- A-PHY solution shall support BIST and system diagnostics (eg., link quality)
- A-PHY shall support system designs at the ASIL D level according to ISO26262:2018
- System clock shall be both embedded and asynchronous (i.e., decoupled from data rate clock)
- System cabling shall meet certain IL, RL and coupling requirements
- System operation shall be supported with specified automotive EMC requirements
An Overview of A-PHY

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MIPI A-PHY Subgroup Chair
What is A-PHY?

MIPI A-PHY is a physical layer specification targeted for advanced driver-assistance systems (ADAS) and autonomous driving systems (ADS) and other surround sensor applications in automotive (e.g., for displays, cameras).

While most MIPI specifications are designed for shorter reaches for use within mobile devices, A-PHY will be capable of reaching up to 15 meters in the demanding automotive environment. A-PHY v1.0 will support up to 16 Gbps, with a roadmap to 24, 48 Gbps and beyond.
What is MIPI A-PHY?

- MIPI A-PHY is a physical layer specification targeted for ADAS/ADS surround sensor applications in automotive.
- A-PHY v1.0 will provide a 15-meter reach and data rates of 2-16 Gbps, with a roadmap to 24, 48 Gbps and beyond.

MIPI A-PHY is the ONLY standard interface to support native camera (CSI-2) and display (DSI-2) interfaces for automotive.
Integrating MIPI A-PHY

Bridging solutions vs. integrated A-PHY

Current implementation with proprietary bridging solutions

Implementation with A-PHY integrated into endpoints (No bridges)
Recognizing that IEEE 802.3ch Ethernet is an emerging network backbone, A-PHY will coexist in many implementations.
A-PHY Data and Power Logical Structure

- Focus is on high throughput data to and from the system CPU over high-speed links with optimal wiring, cost and weight
- The high-speed data, control data and optional power share the same physical wiring
A-PHY design includes a generic data link layer that will accommodate different protocol adaptation layers (both MIPI and non-MIPI).

**Example use cases:**

- Camera module to ECU
- Camera ECU to ECU
- Lidar, radar
- Display including touch and controls
- A-PHY links over PCB interconnect
A-PHY Cable Type & Topology

**MIPI Automotive Coax Topology “A”**

- 50 Ω Coax cable up to 15 m, with up to 4 inline connectors with minimum segment of 30 cm

**MIPI Automotive STP/SPP Topology “B”**

- 100 Ω SDP cable up to 10 m, with up to 4 inline connectors with minimum segment of 30 cm
MIPI Automotive PHY Key Technical Specs

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MIPI A-PHY v1.0 supports simple lowest-cost implementations using NRZ-8b10b encoding in its lower two speeds gears 1 and 2 supporting speeds of 2 and 4 Gbps, respectively.

These high-performance features support all A-PHY speed gears up to gear 5 at 16 Gbps for v1.0 and has a scalable architecture to address higher speeds going forward. The NBIC and PHY-level retransmission (RTS) ensure maximum reliability/robustness of the A-PHY link.
**A-PHY Key Technical Advantages**

- **Optimized asymmetric architecture**
  A-PHY is designed for high-speed asymmetric-only transmission from cameras/sensors to ECU, and ECU to display, while providing concurrent low-speed bidirectional traffic for command and control. The optimized asymmetric architecture allows for design simplification and lower cost than other symmetric architectures.

- **Mobile protocol reuse**
  After successful deployment in billions of smartphones and IoT devices, the MIPI protocols are well-proven for direct leverage into automotive.

- **Hardware-only protocol layers**
  As in mobile applications using C-PHY/D-PHY layering, A-PHY is tightly coupled with the CSI-2/DSI-2 protocol layers, thus essentially operating with hardware-only protocol layers without software intervention. This architecture is contrasted to other interfaces that are designed with more flexibility and utilize software layers to accomplish this flexibility. Protocol with built-in support for functional safety.
A-PHY Key Technical Advantages

- **Optimized architecture for wiring, cost and weight**
  By its optimized asymmetric architecture and hardware protocol layering, A-PHY implementations achieve optimized cabling wiring, cost and weight requirements. This is increasingly important as the number of electronic components and their interface cabling increases on the road to autonomy.

- **Flexible link layer support of other protocols**
  MIPI Alliance expects to work with other organizations leveraging their native protocols into automotive. To accommodate these developing specifications, A-PHY includes a generic Data Link Layer that enables multiple data streams on the same wire and accommodates MIPI approved third-party protocols.

- **High EMC immunity**
  MIPI has invested significantly to analyze and measure the harsh automotive channel, and has concluded that an architecture based on a Narrowband Interference Canceller (NBIC) and Retransmission system (RTS) provides the most robust performance, particularly for the applications requiring the higher data rates at longer distances.
Concluding Thoughts

• *In-vehicle architecture is rapidly evolving* . . .

• *Increased focus on surround sensor applications* for ADAS / autonomous driving . . . Best served by dedicated high-speed asymmetric interfaces from sensors to ECU.

• *Standardization important for economies of scale, lower cost & greater capabilities.*

• *The native MIPI protocols (CSI-2, DSI-2, I3C, others, available in billions of devices) with A-PHY deliver enormous benefit* to the automotive industry . . . performance, cost, noise immunity, and long-term EBOM reduction via elimination of interface bridges.

• *The MIPI solution is being developed to meet the broadest spectrum of automotive industry needs* . . . with anticipated SOP as early as 2024.
Additional Resources
Resources

More information can be found at:

• A Look Under the Hood at MIPI CSI-2 and MIPI DSI-2 in Automotive (Blog, January 2020)
• MIPI Alliance Advances Activities for ADAS, ADS and Other Automotive Applications (Press release, October 2019)
• Automotive Applications Drive MIPI A-PHY Development (Blog, May 2019)
• MIPI Alliance Meets the Needs of Autonomous Driving (DevCon presentation, October 2018)
• MIPI Alliance Extends Interface Standards to Support the Automotive Market (Webinar, April 2018)
• MIPI Alliance to Advance Autonomous Driving, other Automotive Applications with New Data Interface Specifications at 12-24 Gbps and Beyond (Press release, August 2018)
• MIPI Alliance Expands Reach with New Automotive Working Group (Press release, March 2018)

Other Resources

• Automotive Working Group page
• A-PHY specification page

Download the new MIPI in Automotive white paper