



Test 3G Designs With Confidence

Agilent's first-to-market solution enables you to meet your market windows with confidence in your design. You save valuable time using Signal Studio to configure test signals rather than hand-coding your own. You can be confident your designs and devices are tested with standards-based signals, no matter which one of the over 100 possible configurations you choose. The high level of signal coding enables thorough evaluation of receiver demodulation capabilities at various design stages, from baseband to RF.

Download Signal Studio to a PC and evaluate the user interface prior to purchase. To use the signals created by the software, each E4438C ESG vector signal generator must be licensed separately. The license key can be ordered through your sales engineer or the nearest sales office, which can be found at <http://www.agilent.com/find/assist>

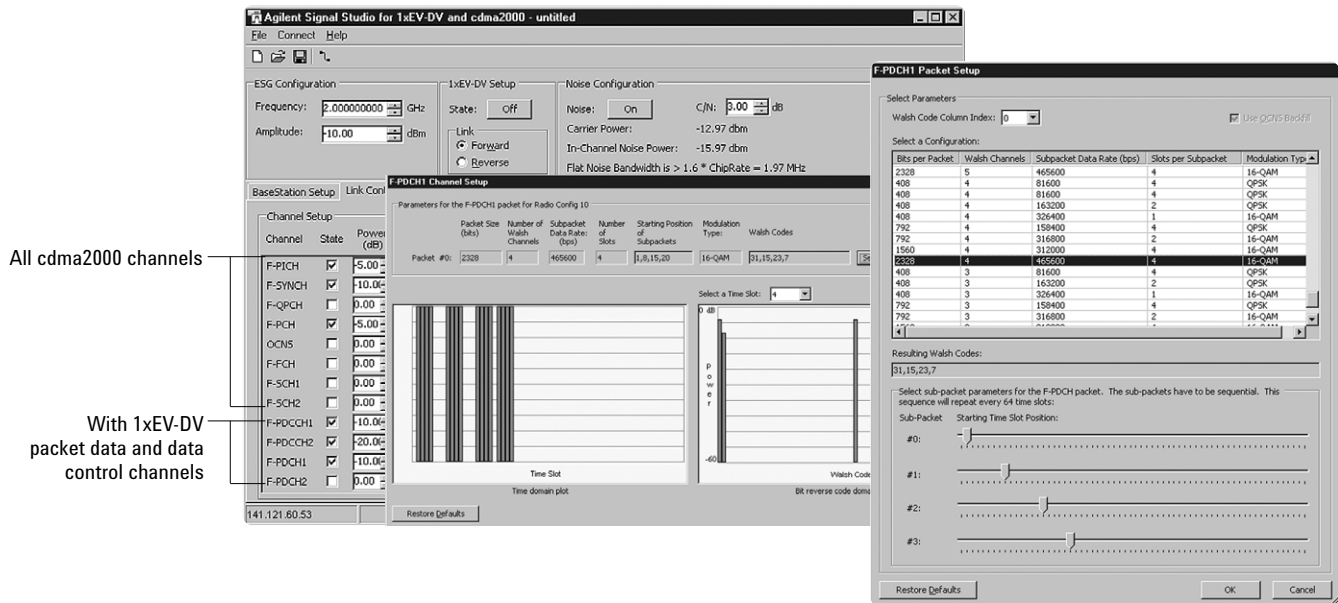


In the forward link, a complete 1xEV-DV solution is provided. The fully-coded test signals will assist you in designing mobile receivers and verifying the functionality of such receiver components as baseband ASICs. In the reverse link, voice-only cdma2000 capability is provided for base station receiver test.

Benefits

- Simulate multiple users
 - Transmit multiple cdma2000 channels
 - Emulate concurrent active data channels and subpackets
- Full channel coding enables packet, frame or bit error rate (PER/FER/BER) tests
- Add a noise interferer
 - Set C/N value for calibrated AWGN
 - Monitor Eb/No values in reverse link
- Save setup time
 - Use pre-defined radio configurations
 - Changes to parameters update immediately (in real-time)





Intuitive Setup of Channel Parameters

With the Signal Studio user interface, channel parameters are set in just a few windows. These windows can be viewed at the same time, and when appropriate, updates to lower-level parameters display in the higher-level window.

Code domain plots show the distribution of signal power across the set of code channels. Now you can visually check for code channel power levels and code domain conflicts without a vector signal analyzer. The PDCH display shows both the code domain plot and the subpackets distributed over the timeslots.

Save Setup Time With Radio Configurations

The Signal Studio user interface is set up according to standard radio configurations (RC): RC1 to RC5 and RC10 in the forward link, and RC1 to RC4 in the reverse link. For RC10, the parameters for any of the 127 configurations are automatically set when you choose the subpacket data rate. When you apply the changes, the signal generator is updated immediately without waiting for a waveform to build.

Channels Coded for PER and BER Testing

Use Signal Studio in testing the ability of the mobile receiver to detect packet errors. Signal Studio packets are encoded, interleaved, spread and modulated per 3GPP2 standards, including the frame quality indicator bits and tail bits, so that your receiver can demodulate and decode the packet transmission. You can configure test signals with QPSK (modulation order=2), as well as the newer 8PSK (MO=3) or 16QAM (MO=4) symbols. Pseudo-random noise data (PN9 and PN15) and user data are supported as the inputs to the coding process. A graphical bit editor is supplied for the PDCH data, which enables the user to select from multiple data sources and easily insert error bits (or a percentage of errors) into the data.

Simulate Real-World Conditions

Turn on several traffic channels along with the packet data channels, all with various power levels to simulate a real-world transmission. The built-in software Help guide shows how to emulate the four active channels used for packet data in a realworld mobile station.

Add Noise to Data and Voice

For tests such as sensitivity, you can subject your device to voice, packet data and noise simultaneously. With the optional Calibrated Noise Personality for the E4438C ESG, an additive white Gaussian noise (AWGN) interferer can be configured in the same window as the cdma2000 and 1xEV-DV channels. The user is able to set the carrier-to-noise ratio (C/N). In the reverse link, Eb/No updates automatically whenever new C/N or channel power values are applied.

Features

BTS/mobile setup

Spread rate	SR1
Chip rate	1 kcps to 1.3 Mcps
PN offset	0 to 511
Even second delay	0.5 to 128 chips
Trigger (reverse link)	Trigger advance: 1 to 2457599, rising or falling edge
Long code state	0 to 3FF FFFF FFFF Hex
Phase polarity	Normal or invert
ESG baseband generator reference	Internal or external
Input/output	[BNC]: Event 1 out, Event 2 out, Pattern trigger in, Single-ended Analog I/Q out, Differential Analog I/Q out [AUX]: Data out, Data clock out, Symbol sync out, Alt power in, Event 3 out, Event 4 out
Filters	IS-95, IS-95 with equalizer, IS-95 modified (MOD), IS-95 MOD with equalizer, Rectangular, Nyquist, Root Nyquist, Gaussian

Forward link

Forward link channels	Pilot (F-PICH), synchronization (F-SYNCH), quick paging (F-QPCH), paging (F-PCH), fundamental (F-FCH), supplemental 1 and 2 (F-SCH1, F-SCH2), orthogonally coded noise simulator (OCNS), packet data 1 and 2 (F-PDCH1, F-PDCH2), packet data control 1 and 2 (F-PDCCH1, F-PDCCH2)
Channel power	Voice channel power: -40 dBm to 0 dBm PDCH and PDCCH channel power: -60 dBm to 0 dBm

	Bit rate	Walsh code	Data	System time
F-PICH:		0 [non-adjustable]		
F-SYNCH:	1.2 kbps	0 to 127		0 to F FFFF FFFF Hex
F-QPCH:	2.4 or 4.8 kbps	0 to 127		
F-PCH:	4.8 to 9.6 kbps	0 to 63	Default paging message or user file	
F-FCH:	RC1: 1.2, 2.4, 4.8, or 9.6 kbps RC2, RC5: 1.8, 3.6, 7.2, or 14.4 kbps	[RC1, RC2, RC3, RC5], 0 to 127 [RC4]	PN9, PN15, 4-bit pattern, user file, or external serial data	
F-SCH1 and F-SCH2:	RC3: 19.2, 38.4, 76.8, 153.6 kbps RC4: 19.2, 38.4, 76.8, 153.6 or 307.2 kbps RC5: 28.8, 57.6, 115.2, or 230.4 kbps	0 to 631, 0 to 15, 0 to 7, 0 to 3 [RC3, RC4, RC5], 0 to 63 [RC4]		
OCNS:		0 to 63	Spread PN [uncoded]	
F-PDCCH1 and F-PDCCH2:	RC10: 29.6, 14.8, or 7.4 kbps	0 to 63	Continuous PN9/PN15, 4-bit pattern, user file	Set to first slot in PDCCH transmission
F-PDCH1 and F-PDCH2:	RC10: 81.6 kbps to 3.0912 Mbps [subpacket data rates]	0 to 31	80-ms repeating PN9/PN15, 4-bit pattern, user file	Set to first slot in PDCCH transmission

More channel parameters Please see the built-in software Help guide.

Reverse link

Reverse link channels	Pilot (R-PICH), fundamental (R-FCH), access (R-ACH), enhanced access (R-EACH), dedicated control (R-DDCH), common control (R-CCCH), supplemental 1 and 2 (R-SCH1, R-SCH2)
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Reverse operating modes	Channel
RC1 or RC2 traffic	Fundamental, supplemental 1
RC1 or RC2 access	Access
RC3 or RC4 traffic	Pilot, dedicated control, fundamental, supplemental 1, supplemental 2
RC3 or RC4 enhanced access	Pilot, enhanced access
RC3 or RC4 common control	Pilot, common control

Eb/No values (with additional Option 403) Minimum: -30 dB + normalized channel power +10 log¹⁰ [chip rate/bit rate]
Maximum: +30 dB + normalized channel power +10 log¹⁰ [chip rate/bit rate]

Reverse link channel parameters Please see the built-in software Help guide. All radio configurations (RC1 to RC4) are implemented to 3GPP2 standards.

Ordering Information

Signal Studio for 1xEV-DV and cdma2000 is Option E4438C-414 for the E4438G ESG vector signal generator. This option also requires that the ESG is equipped with the optional baseband generator (Option E4438C-001, -002, -601, or -602).

The Calibrated Noise personality, Option E4438C-403 for the ESG, is required to generate a calibrated noise signal. With Option 403 installed in the ESG, the carrier-to-noise ratio (C/N) setting and Eb/No (reverse link only) are enabled inside the Signal Studio user interface.

Signal Studio for 1xEV-DV and cdma2000, Option E4438C-414, includes the cdma2000 capabilities offered by the real-time mode of Option E4438C-401: cdma2000 and IS-95A personalities for the E4438C ESG. However, capabilities offered by the arbitrary waveform (Arb) mode of Option 401, such as multiple carriers and 256 channels, are not supported in Option 414.

Upgrade Kits

If you currently own an Agilent E4438C ESG vector signal generator and wish to order the license key for the software only, order the upgrade kit: E4438CK-414.

Related Literature

E4438C ESG Vector Signal Generator
Data Sheet, 5988-4039EN

Designing and Testing cdma2000 Mobile Stations,
Application Note 1358, 5980-1237E

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Product Overview, 5988-4430EN

Web Addresses

For more information go to:

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