

# Testing of on-board charger and AC charging processes

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## **Developments in on-board charger**

- ▶ New generations of on-board charger (OBC) are being incorporated into vehicle series
- ► Higher integration, new semiconductor technologies, higher performance, less weight/volume, lower costs
- Trend towards integration of various power electronics



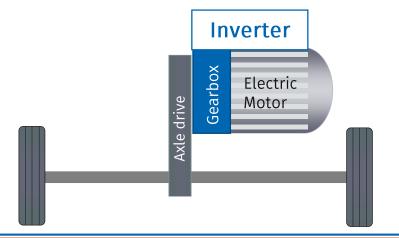
#### More complex testing and verification

OBC



HV Heater HV Charging booster











# Challenges in AC charging and testing the OBC

Verification of OBC efficiency and charge cycle power loss

Verify impacts on the public power grid with regard to power quality criteria (EN50160, IEEE 1159, IEC61000-2-2, IEC 61851-21-1, ...)

Analysis of power quality problems such as unbalances, transient over-voltages and frequency fluctuations

OBC interoperability testing is complicated by large variances

(countries, charging station providers and types)

Verification of bi-directional operation to recover energy from the vehicle battery

Waveform, analyze harmonics up to the 40th harmonic with regard to harmonic disturbances

Investigation of fast processes, inrush currents, voltage dips, flicker phenomena

Precise synchronization (PTP) of measurement and control unit communication

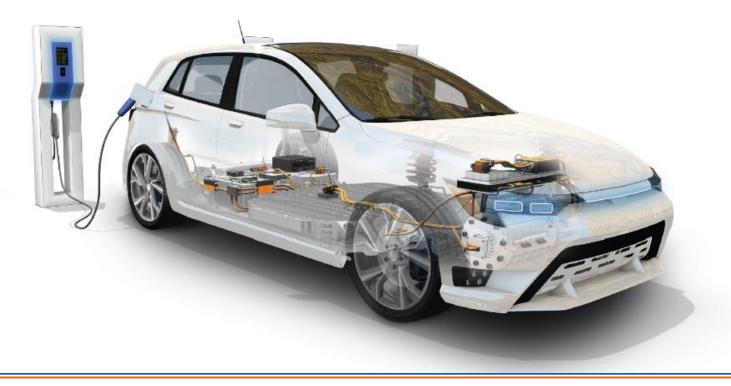
Fast measurement technology is required for the AC charging process analysis





## **AC Charging**

- ► AC charging stations do not always have a permanently attached charging cable
- Electric car owners use their own charging cable, which they keep protected in their vehicle
- Different charging options: Socket, high-voltage socket, wallbox, AC charging station





Type 1 AC Plug

powered by **VECTOR** 

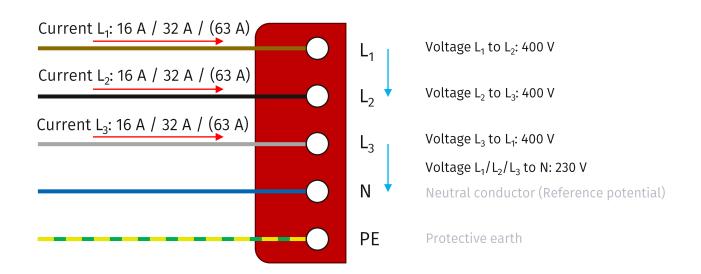
Type 2 AC Plug

Tesla AC/DC Plug

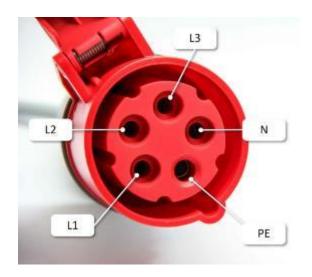


## Three-phase AC Power socket and charging cable

► Example: Charging at CEE power outlet Home, hotels, workshops, agricultural area, etc.



#### Power socket

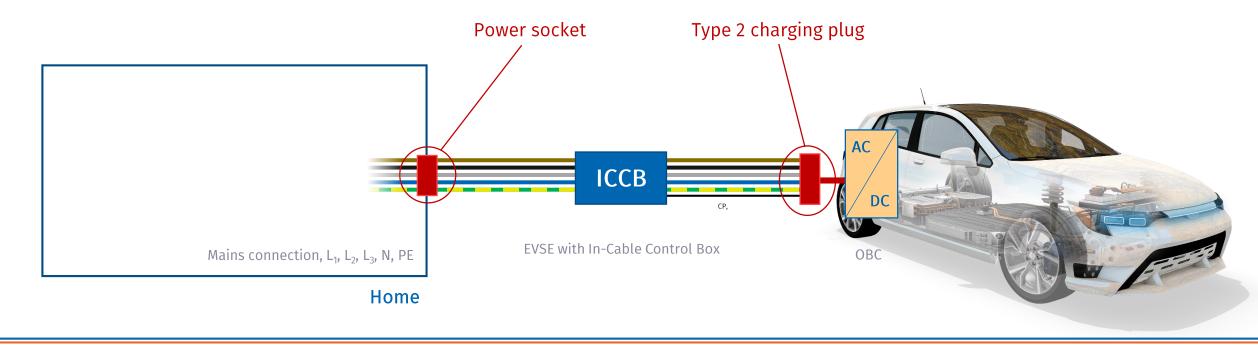






# AC charging process with charging cable and sockets

Charging cable with a control box to control the charging process
 EVSE (electric vehicle supply equipment)

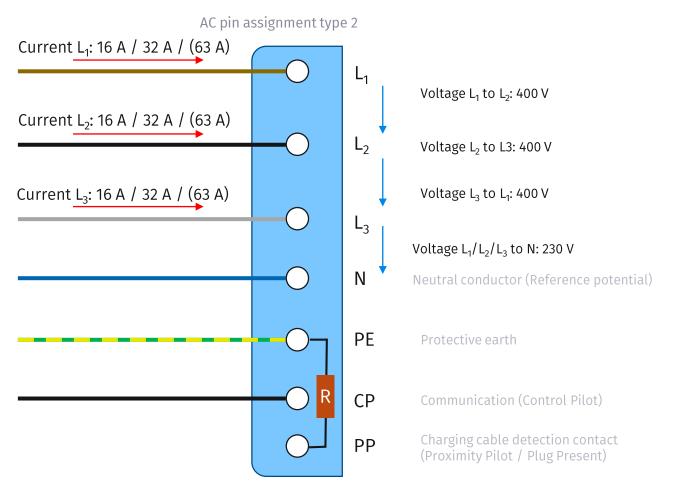


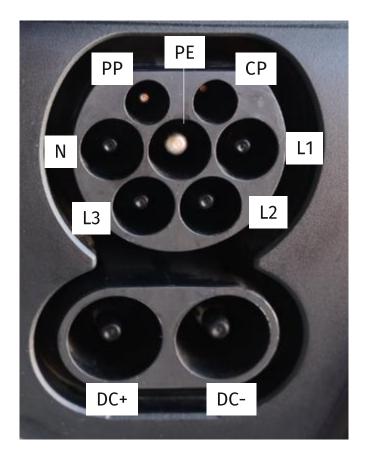




# CCS/Combo type 2 charging socket in an electric vehicle

#### Example: Wallbox and AC charging station



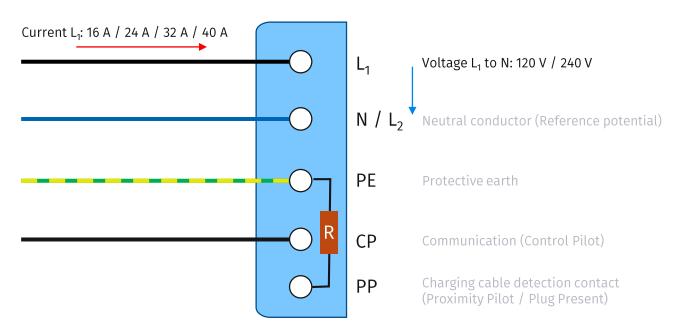


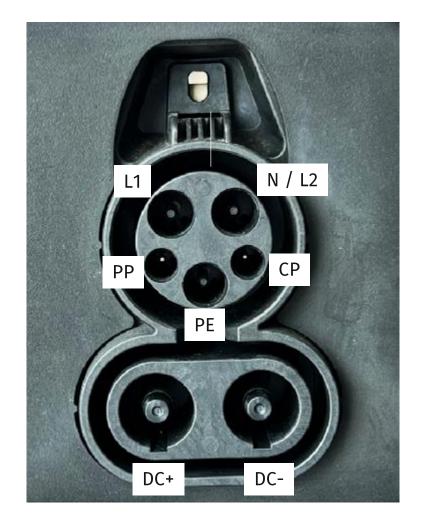




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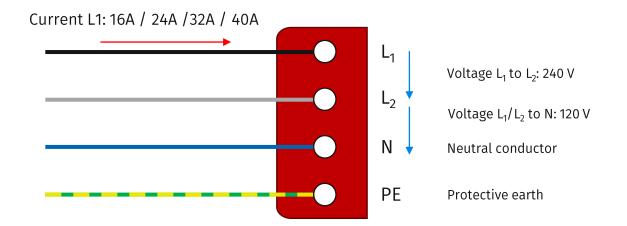


# **Split-phase AC power socket and charging cable**

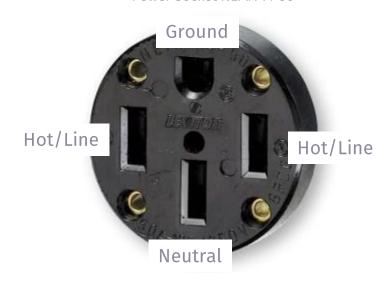
Example: charging on NEMA 14-50 power outlet Home, hotels, RV parks, workshops, agricultural area, etc.



AC pin assignment NEMA 14-50



Power Socket NEMA 14-50

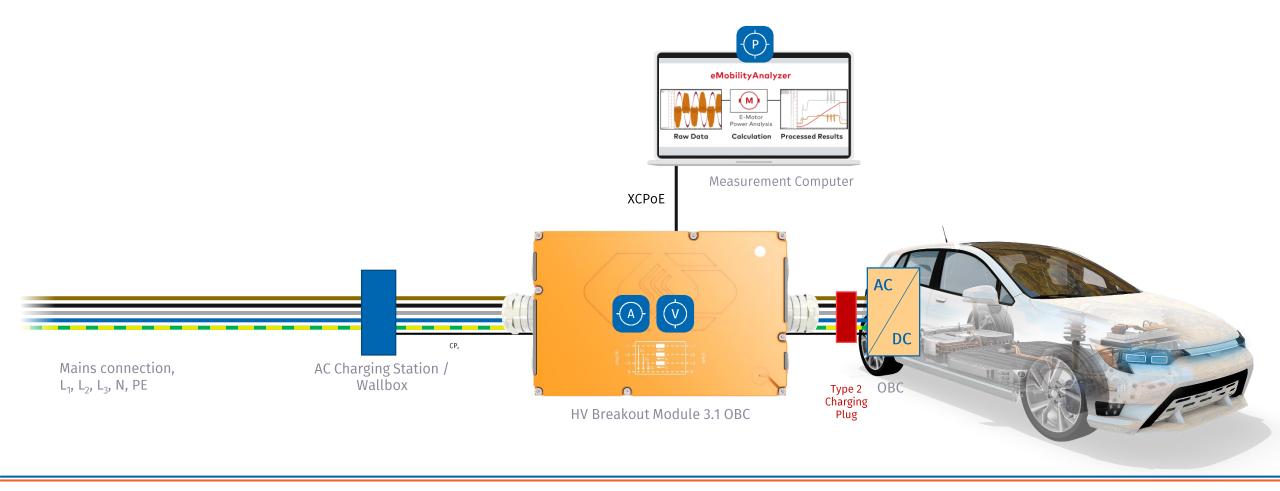






# Verify on-board charger and AC charging processes

▶ Measurement between charging station and electric vehicle with an HV Breakout Module 3.1 OBC







# HV BM 3.1 OBC on www.csm.de

#### **Breakout Module HV BM 3.1 OBC**

- Measurement of star voltages U1, U2, U3 against N and phase currents (I) I<sub>1</sub>, I<sub>2</sub>, I<sub>3</sub> in HV applications
- Nominal voltages up to 707 V<sub>rms</sub>
  (measurement range up to ±1,000 V)
- Currents up to ±88 A<sub>rms</sub>, ±125 A (peak)
- Interfaces: GBit/s XCP-on-Ethernet, ECAT, CAN
- Measurement data rate up to 2 MHz per measured value
- Optional calculation of power and RMS values
- ► Simultaneous data output via CAN with up to 5 kHz
- XCP-Gateway: connection of CSM ECAT and CAN measurement modules



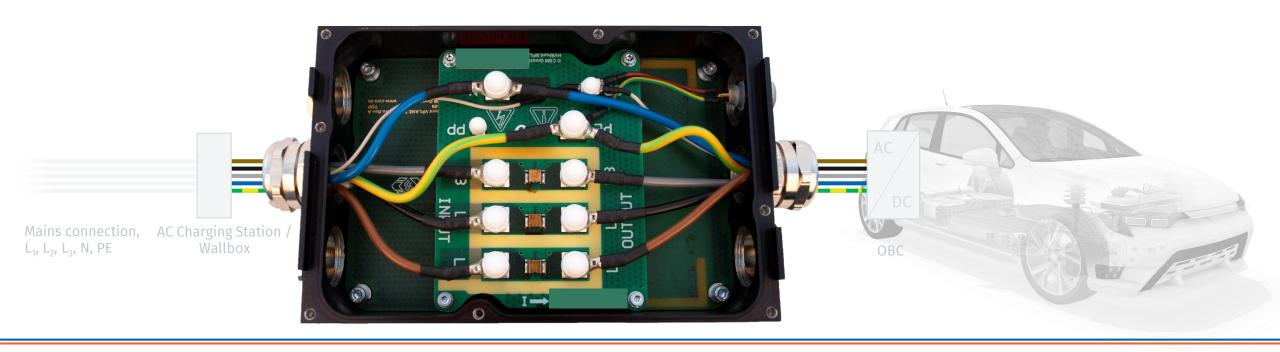




#### **Breakout Module HV BM 3.1 OBC**

▶ Open HV BM 3.1 OBC with temperature-compensated shunt module for measurement of star voltages  $U_1$ ,  $U_2$ ,  $U_3$  against N and phase currents (I)  $I_1$ ,  $I_2$ ,  $I_3$ 

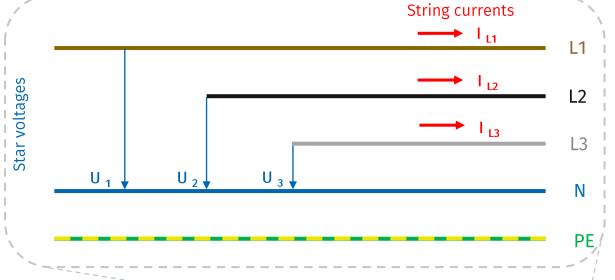
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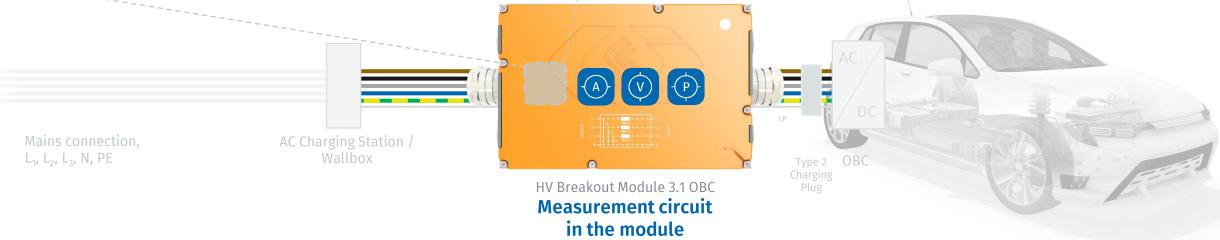




#### Measurement circuit in the HV BM 3.1 OBC

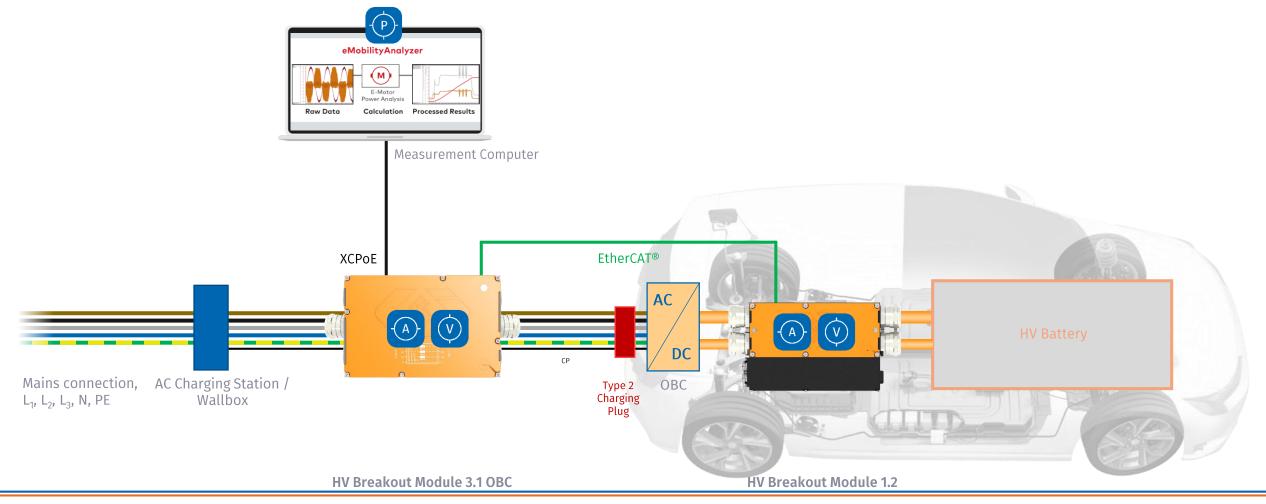


- ► In the four-wire 3-phase system, N is the common reference
- $P_{\text{total}} = P_1 + P_2 + P_3$
- Power calculation in the module





# Verify OBC efficiency with Vector CANape and eMobilityAnalyzer





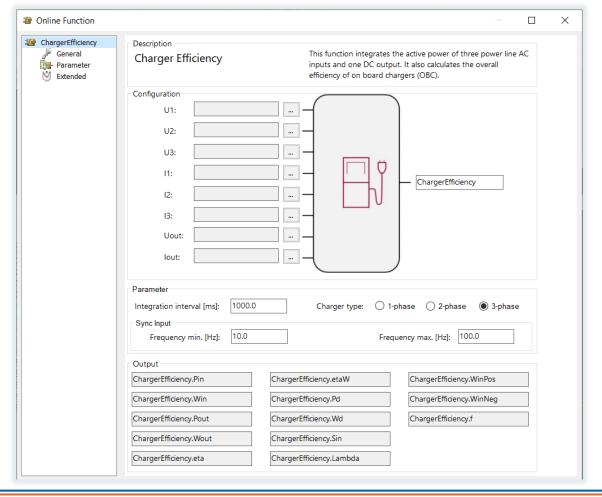


## CANape - eMobility-Analyzer - ChargerEfficiency function

The function is used to determine the power parameters of an on-board chargerthat is supplied directly

with single-phase to three-phase alternating current.

- AC input voltages, currents, waveforms
- ▶ DC output voltage, current
- Frequency
- Signal events
- On-board charger input power
- On-board charger output power
- On-board charger efficiency
- On-board charger total energy provided to HV battery and overall efficiency
- Charging cycle power loss







#### HV BM 3.1 OBC installed in the test vehicle

Verification of OBC performance parameters and efficiency Testing on roller test benches and during test drives eMobilityAnalyzer Measurement Computer XCPoE EtherCAT® Mains connection, AC Charging Station / Type 2 Wallbox Charging L<sub>1</sub>, L<sub>2</sub>, L<sub>3</sub>, N, PE Plug **HV Breakout Module 3.1 OBC HV Breakout Module 1.2** 





# Efficiency measurement in an electric vehicle with HV Breakout Modules

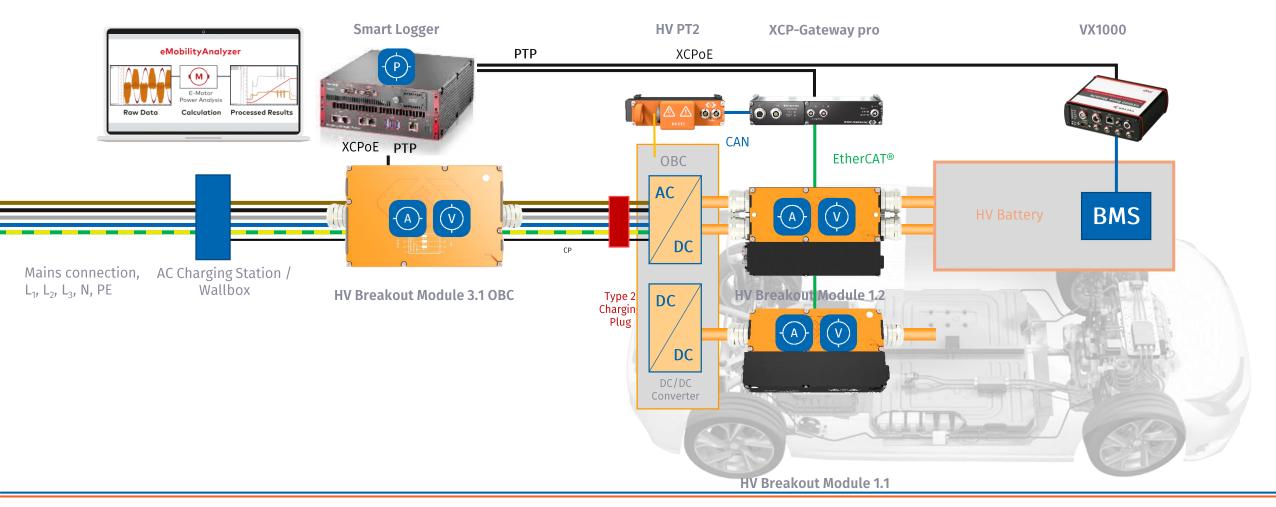






## **Testing integrated on-board charger**

- Data recording with Vector Smart Logger
- Function test and verification

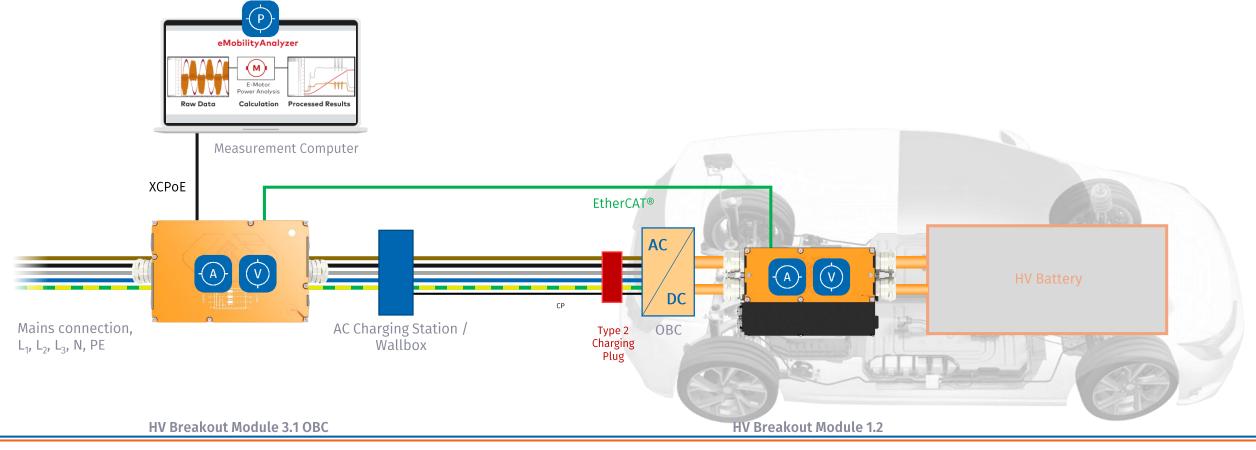






## Verification of the grid side in front of the charging station

- Testing charging points and charging stations
- Verification of grid quality and repercussions of the charging station







Mobile testing of charging processes - interoperability testing

A fast and precise current, voltage and power measurement must be carried out

A power supply for the measurement device is required to measure the starting process

Charging cable **to the vehicle** must be connected with the appropriate plug

Charging cable to the wallbox/charging station must be connected with the appropriate plug

Country-specific power grid characteristics must be taken into account

A wide variety of wallbox models, charging stations and high-voltage sockets

The measurement device must be installed between the charging station and the electric vehicle in the charging cable in a HV-safe manner

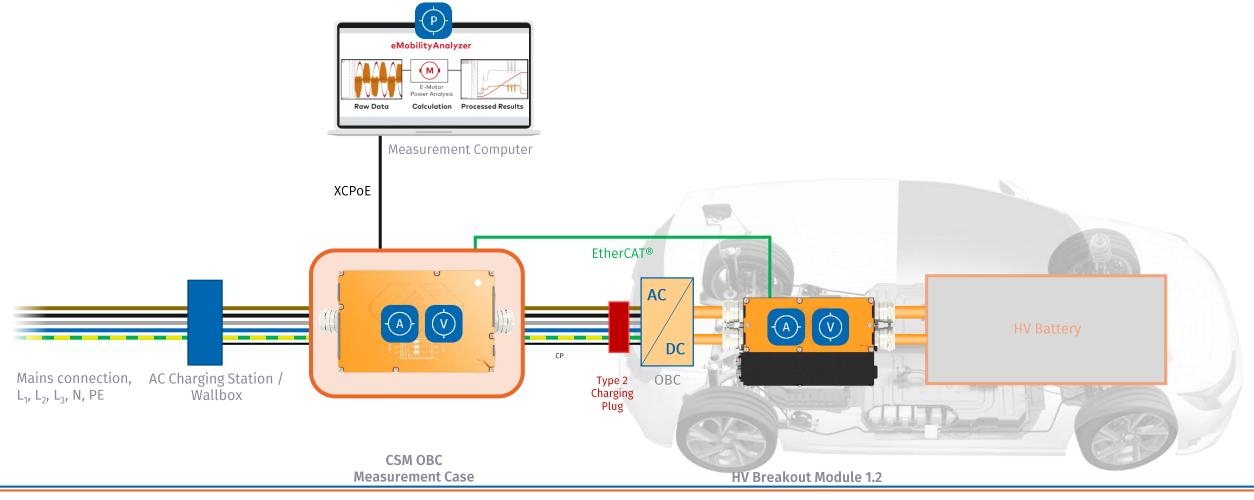






# Testing on-board charger and AC charging processes with a measurement case









## On-board charger interoperability testing - worldwide



- AC charging stations USA up to 80 A
- AC charging stations 3-phase, 11 kW, 22 kW
- On wall boxes
- On three-phase and split-phase AC power sockets
- ▶ At mains sockets 1-phase charging up to 16 A, 3.7 kW

#### Power grids worldwide

Different voltages and frequencies

#### **Different systems**

- ► Three-phase system
- ► Single-phase three-wire system
- Single-phase system





#### **CSM OBC measurement case**

- Compact for carrying as flight luggage
- Complete solution measuring case with adapter cables for connecting to electric vehicle and charging station
- Various adapter cables with different plug types
- Power supply for measuring case optionally or simultaneously via mains charging cable and from the vehicle battery
- ▶ Integrated HV BM 3.1 OBC Breakout Module
- Ethernet interface for connection to the measurement computer







#### **CSM OBC measurement case**

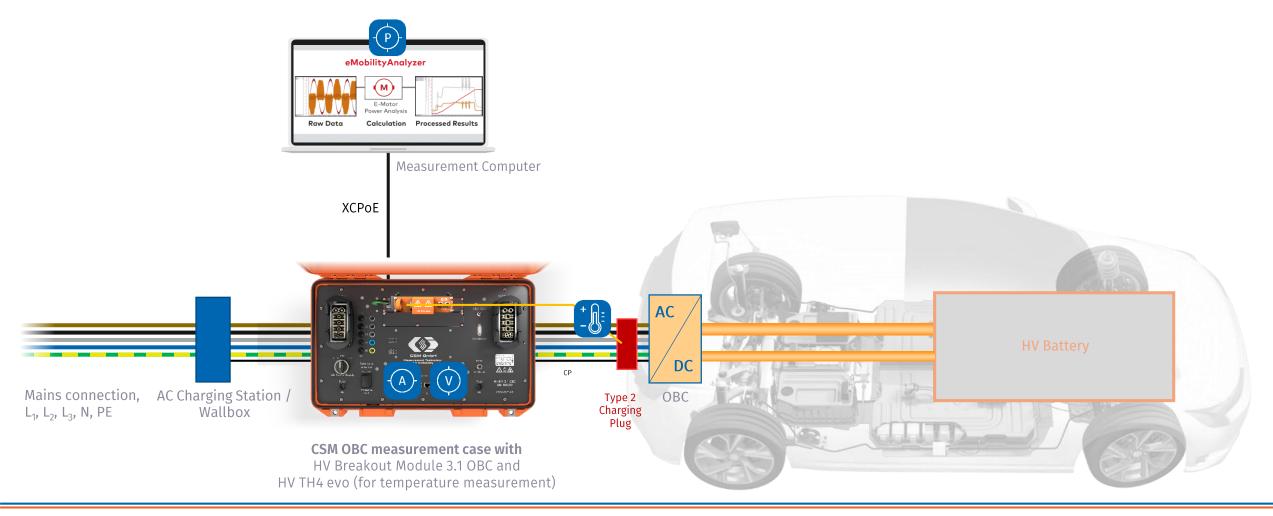


- Integrated GE switch for connecting the measurement computer and other Vector
   CSM measurement technology
  - Data logger
  - Vector interfaces
  - CSM XCP-Gateways from the vehicle
- Slots for further CSM measurement modules for additional measurements
- Measurement access mains side L<sub>1</sub>, L<sub>2</sub>, L<sub>3</sub>,
  N, PE
- Reference potential switching for star
  voltage neutral conductor or PE conductor





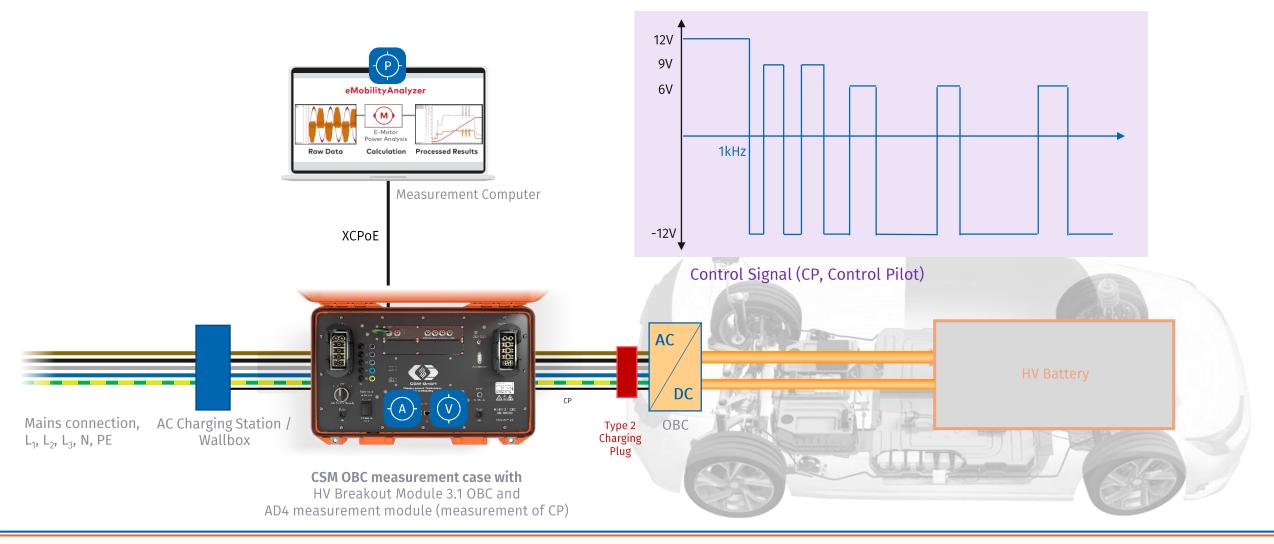
## Integrated HV TH4 evo measurement module for temperature measurement







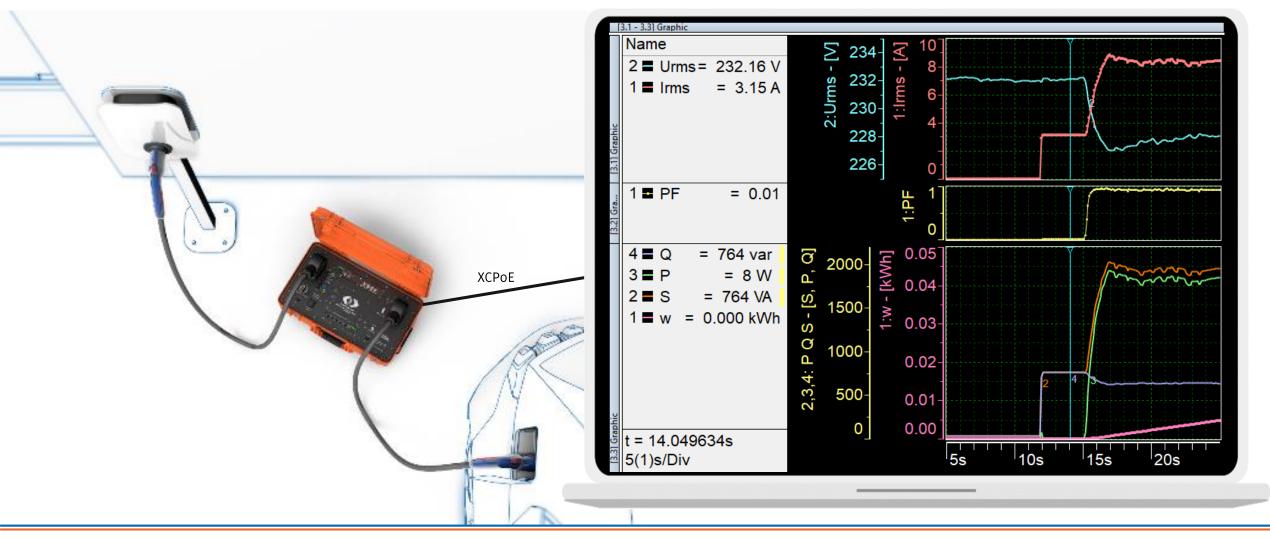
#### Integrated AD4 measurement module for measuring the communication signal at CP







## **Analyses with CANape and eMobility Analyzer**







## Function analyses with the eMobilityAnalyzer

for investigating feedback effects, power quality problems, disturbance variables and harmonics

#### ChargerEfficency

Analysis of the 3 AC charging phases: Currents, voltages, power, frequency, waveforms, stability, ...

#### **Harmonics**

 Performs a harmonic analysis of a signal in which the fundamental and higher harmonics are calculated in a specified time interval

#### **Harmonic Power**

HarmonicPower is an extension of the Harmonic Analysis function
 for calculating the active power of the fundamental and the higher harmonics

#### **Single Frequency Analysis**

► This function performs a Fourier analysis for a single specified frequency

#### **Frequency**

► This function calculates the fundamental frequency and its rate of change

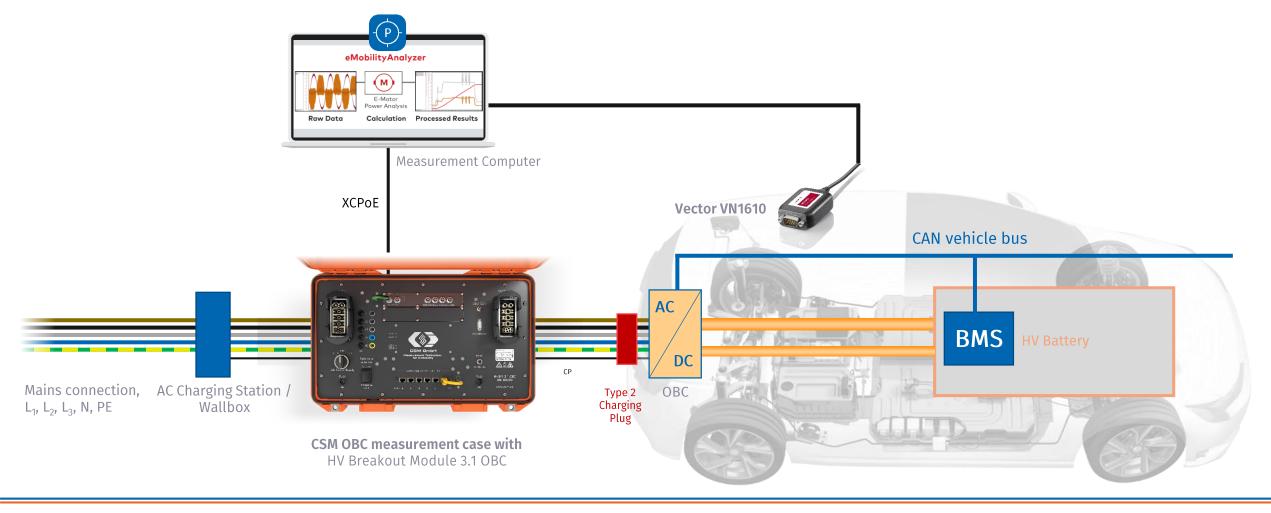
#### **Fourier Analysis**

▶ This function calculates the spectrum of a signal (CANape 22, vMeasure 8)





#### Additional measurement on the CAN vehicle bus







## Measurement preparation OBC measurement case with electric vehicle



- The OBC measurement case is connected to the measurement computer via XCPoE
- The measurement case can also be powered by the vehicle battery
- ► The measurement computer is connected to the CAN vehicle bus





#### **Summary**

- ► The new HV BM 3.1 OBC and CANape make it easy to solve complex measurement tasks for testing on-board charger:
  - Check power quality and investigate system perturbations
  - Detect and analyze harmonics
  - Measure charging power loss
  - Determine OBC efficiency
- Interoperability problems during AC charging can be analyzed quickly and in detail
- Fast switch-on and switch-off processes and transient voltage changes can be investigated
- ▶ The CSM OBC measurement case allows a quick and easy measurement setup in the field worldwide
- > Synchronized analysis of control unit, bus data and fast measurements up to 2 MHz





#### **About CSM**

CSM has been setting technological standards for decentralized measurement technology in vehicle development for over 35 years. Our CAN bus and EtherCAT® measurement devices support worldwide renowned vehicle manufacturers, suppliers and service providers in their developments.

Continuous innovation and long-term satisfied customers are our guarantee for success. Together with our partner Vector Informatik, we have developed an easily scalable and powerful E-Mobility Measurement System for hybrid and electric vehicles and are constantly expanding the areas of application. With our high-voltage safe measurement systems designed for fast and synchronous measurements and power analyses, we actively accompany the change to E-Mobility.

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