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## 5 Abstract

6 This document describes use cases for industrial automation, which have to be covered by the  
7 joint IEC/IEEE TSN-IA Profile for Industrial Automation.

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## 192 1 Terms and Definitions

## 193 1.1 Definitions

Reconfiguration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Any intentional modification of the system structure or of the device-level content, including updates of any type</li> <li>- Ref: IEC 61158- Type 10, dynamic reconfiguration</li> <li>- Document to be provided by PI/PNO: Guidelines for high-availability</li> </ul>
(Process) disturbance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Any malfunction or stall of a process/machine, which is followed by production loss or by an unacceptable degradation of production quality</li> <li>- Ref: IEC 61158 – Failure</li> <li>- Ref. ODVA: Unplanned downtime</li> <li>- Document to be provided by PI/PNO: Guidelines for diagnosis</li> </ul>
Operational _state of a plant (unit)/machine	Normal state of function and production of a plant(unit)/machine
Maintenance _state of a plant (unit)/machine	Planned suspension or partial suspension of the normal state of function of a plant(unit)/machine
Stopped _state of a plant (unit)/machine	Full non-productive mode of a plant(unit)/machine
Convergent network concept	All Ethernet-based devices are able to exchange data over a common infrastructure, within defined QoS parameters
Device	End station, bridged end station, bridge
DCS	Distributed Control System
Transmission selection algorithms	A set of algorithms for traffic selection which include Strict Priority, the Credit-based shaper and Enhanced Transmission Selection. <sup>1)</sup>
Preemption	The suspension of the transmission of a preemptable frame to allow one or more express frames to be transmitted before transmission of the preemptable frame is resumed. <sup>1)</sup>
Enhancements for scheduled traffic	A Bridge or end station may support enhancements that allow transmission from each queue to be scheduled relative to a known timescale. <sup>1)</sup>
Time-Sensitive Stream	A stream of traffic, transmitted from a single source station, destined for one or more destination stations, where the traffic is sensitive to timely delivery, and in particular, requires transmission latency to be bounded. <sup>1)</sup>
TSN domain	A quantity of commonly managed industrial automation devices; A set of stations (end stations and/or Bridges), their Ports, and the attached individual LANs that transmit Time-Sensitive Streams using TSN standards which include Transmission Selection Algorithms,

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<sup>1</sup> taken from 802.1Q-2018

	Preemption, Time Synchronization and Enhancements for Scheduled Traffic and that share a common management mechanism. It is an administrative decision to group these devices (see 2.2).
universal time domain	gPTP domain used for the synchronization of universal time
working clock domain	gPTP domain used for the synchronization of a working clock
isochronous domain	stations of a common working clock domain with a common setup for the isochronous cyclic real-time traffic type
cyclic real-time domain	stations with a common setup for the cyclic real-time traffic type - even from different working clock domains
Network cycle	transfer time including safety margin, and application time including safety margin (see <a href="#">Figure 9</a> ); values are specific to a TSN domain and specify a repetitive behavior of the network interfaces belonging to that TSN domain;
Greenfield	for the context of this document: greenfield refers to TSN-IA profile conformant devices; regardless if "old" or "new";
Brownfield	for the context of this document: brownfield refers to devices, which are not conformant to the TSN-IA profile; regardless if "old" or "new";

## 194 1.2 IEEE802 terms

Priority regeneration	See IEEE 802.1Q-2014 clause 6.9.4 Regenerating priority
Ingress rate limiting	See IEEE 802.1Q-2014 clause 8.6.5 Flow classification and metering

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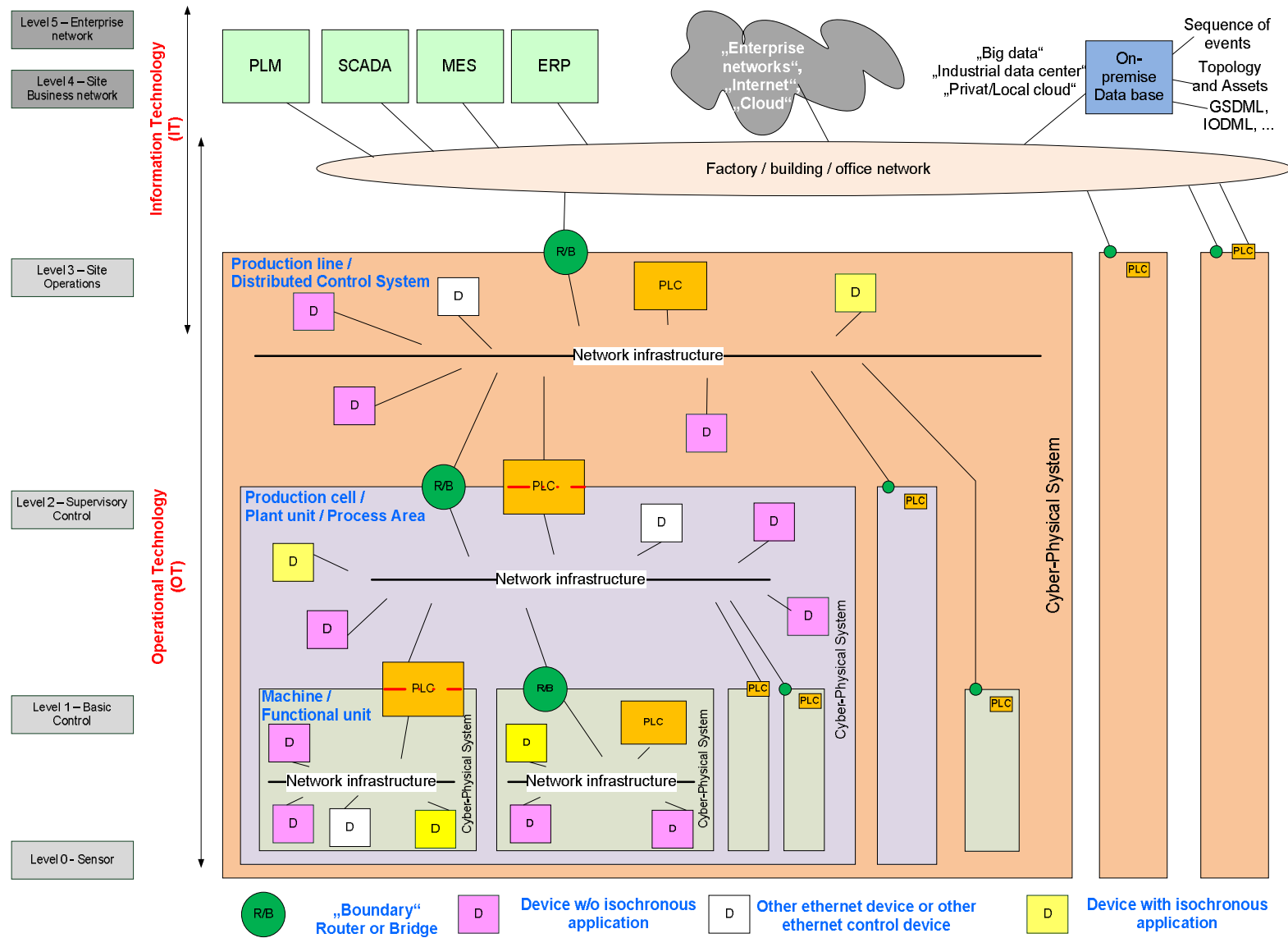
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## 2 TSN in Industrial Automation



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Figure 1 – Hierarchical structure of industrial automation

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203 There is no generally accepted definition of the term “Cyber-Physical System (CPS)”. A report of  
204 Edward A. Lee [1] suitably introduces CPS as follows: „*Cyber-Physical Systems (CPS) are*  
205 *integrations of computation with physical processes. Embedded computers and networks monitor*  
206 *and control the physical processes, usually with feedback loops where physical processes affect*  
207 *computations and vice versa.*”  
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209 Cyber-Physical Systems are the building blocks of “smart factories” and Industry 4.0. Ethernet  
210 provides the mechanisms (e.g. TSN features) for connectivity to time critical industrial applications  
211 on converged networks in operational technology control levels.

212 Ethernet with TSN features can be used in Industrial Automation for:

- 213 · Real-time (RT) Communication within Cyber-Physical Systems
- 214 · Real-time (RT) Communication between Cyber-Physical Systems

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216 A CPS consists of:

- 217 ○ Controlling devices (typically 1 PLC),
- 218 ○ I/O Devices (sensors, actors),
- 219 ○ Drives,
- 220 ○ HMI (typically 1),
- 221 ○ Interface to the upper level with:
  - 222 - PLC (acting as gateway), and/or
  - 223 - Router, and/or
  - 224 - Bridge.
- 225 ○ Other Ethernet devices:
  - 226 - Servers or any other computers, be it physical or virtualized,
  - 227 - Diagnostic equipment,
  - 228 - Network connectivity equipment.
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## 230 2.1 Interoperability

231 Interoperability may be achieved on different levels. [Figure 2](#) and [Figure 3](#) show three areas, which  
232 need to be covered:

- 233 - network configuration (managed objects according to IEEE definitions), and
- 234 - stream configuration and establishment, and
- 235 - application configuration.

236 The three areas mutually affect each other (see [Figure 2](#)).

237 Application configuration is not expected to be part of the profile, but the two other areas are.

238 The selection made by the TSN-IA profile covers Ethernet defined layer 2 and the selected  
239 protocols to configure layer 2.

240 Applications make use of upper layers as well, but these are out of scope for the profile.

241 Stream establishment is initiated by applications to allow data exchange between applications. The  
242 applications are the source of requirements, which shall be fulfilled by network configuration and  
243 stream configuration and establishment.

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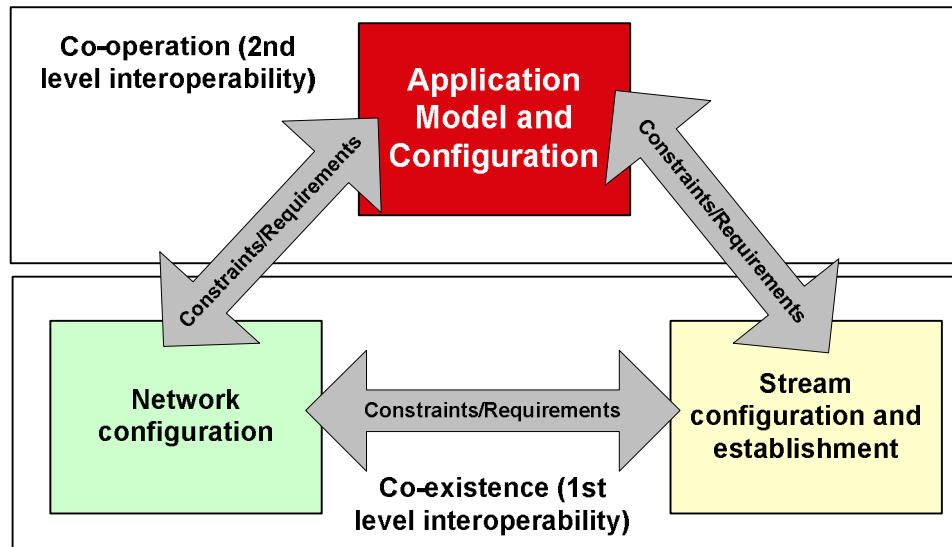


Figure 2 – Principle of interoperation

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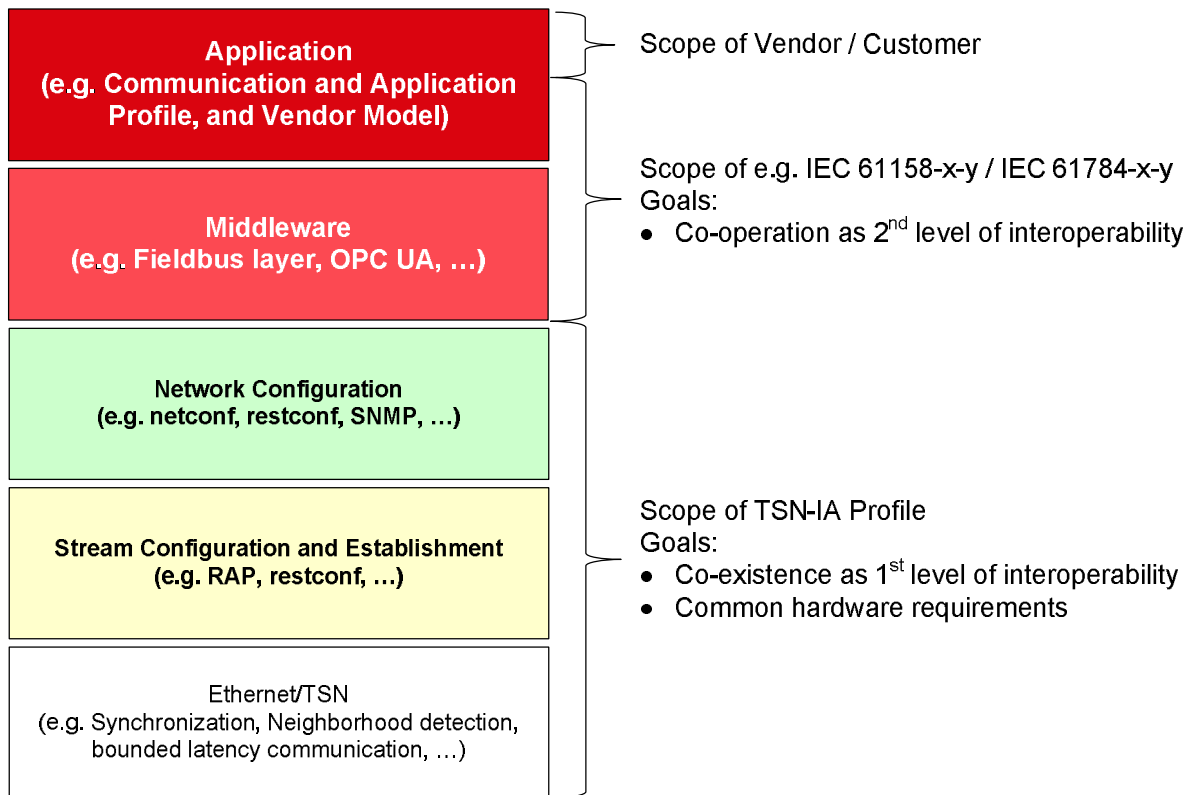


Figure 3 – Scope of work

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251 **2.2 TSN Domain**

252 A TSN domain is defined as a quantity of commonly managed industrial automation devices; it is  
253 an administrative decision to group these devices.

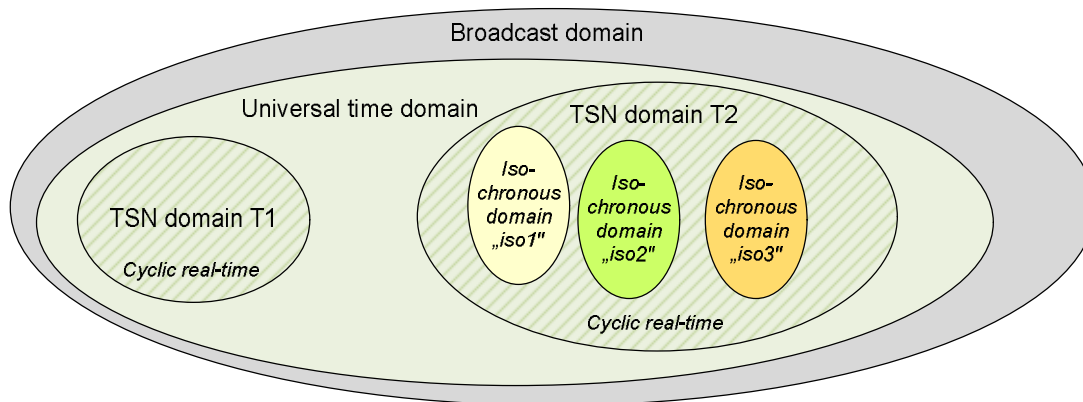
254 TSN Domain Characteristics:

- 255 · One or more TSN Domains may exist within a single layer 2 broadcast domain.
- 256 · A TSN Domain may not be shared among multiple layer 2 broadcast domains.
- 257 · Multiple TSN Domains may share a common universal time domain.
- 258 · Two adjacent TSN Domains may implement the same requirements but stay separate.
- 259 · **Multiple TSN domains will often be implemented in one bridge and may overlap.**

260 Typically machines/functional units (see [Figure 1](#)) constitute separate TSN domains. Production  
 261 cells and lines may be set up as TSN domains as well. Devices may be members of multiple TSN  
 262 domains in parallel.

263 Interrelations between TSN domains are described in 2.6.1.

264 [Figure 4](#) shows two example TSN domains within a common broadcast domain and a common  
 265 universal time domain. TSN domain 1 is a pure cyclic real-time domain, whereas TSN domain 2  
 266 additionally includes three overlapping isochronous domains.  
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 269 **Figure 4 – Different Types of Domains**  
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## 271 2.3 Synchronization

### 272 2.3.1 General

273 Synchronization covering both universal time (wall clock) and working clock is needed for industrial  
 274 automation systems.

275 Redundancy for synchronization of universal time may be solved with “cold standby”. Support of  
 276 “Hot standby” for universal time synchronization is not current practice - but may optionally be  
 277 supported.

278 Redundancy for working Clock synchronization can be solved with “cold standby” or “hot standby”  
 279 depending on the application requirements. Support of “hot standby” for working clock  
 280 synchronization is current practice.

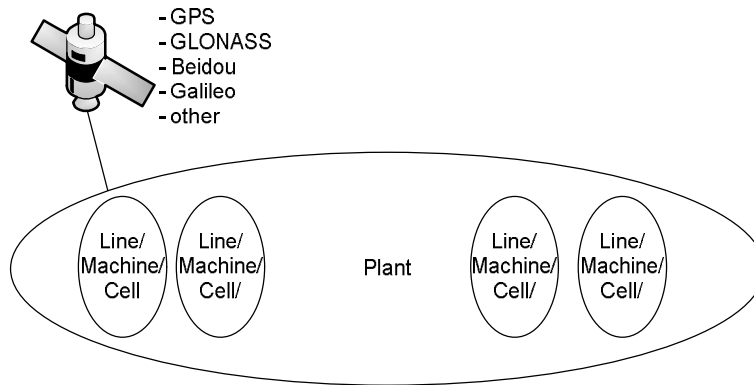
281 More details about redundancy switchover scenarios are provided in:

282 <http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2018/60802-Steindl-TimelinessUseCases-0718-v01.pdf>.

### 283 2.3.2 Universal Time Synchronization

284 Universal time is used to plant wide align events and actions (e.g. for “sequence of events”). The  
 285 assigned timescale is TAI, which can be converted into local date and time if necessary. [Figure 5](#)  
 286 shows the principle structure of time synchronization with the goal to establish a worldwide aligned  
 287 timescale for time. Thus, often satellites are used as source of the time.

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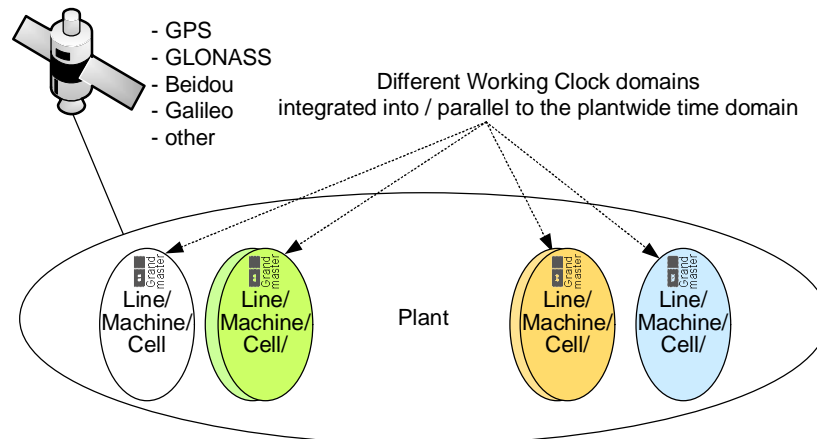
**Figure 5 – plant wide time synchronization**

291 Note: “Global Time” or “Wall Clock” are often used as synonym terms for “Universal Time”.

### 292 2.3.3 Working Clock Synchronization

293 Working Clock is used to align actions line, cell or machine wide. The assigned timescale is  
 294 arbitrary. Robots, motion control, numeric control and any kind of clocked / isochronous application  
 295 rely on this timescale to make sure that actions are precisely interwoven as needed. [Figure 6](#)  
 296 shows the principle structure of Working Clock synchronization with the goal to establish a line /  
 297 cell / machine wide aligned timescale. Thus, often PLCs, Motion Controller or Numeric Controller  
 298 are used as Working Clock source.

299 If multiple PLCs, Motion Controller or Numeric Controller need to share one Working Clock  
 300 timescale, an all-time active station must be used as Working Clock source, also known as  
 301 Grandmaster.



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**Figure 6 – line/cell/machine wide working clock synchronization** overlapping with a  
 universal time domain

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305 Working Clock domains may be doubled to support zero failover time for synchronization.

306 High precision working clock synchronization is a prerequisite for control loop implementations with  
 307 low latency (see 2.4.2).

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#### Requirements:

- High precision working clock synchronization;
- Maximum deviation to the grandmaster time in the range from 100 ns to 1  $\mu$ s;
- Support of redundant sync masters and domains;
- Zero failover time in case of redundant working clock domains;

#### Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

- IEEE 802.1AS-Rev

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#### 2.3.4 Use case 01: Sequence of events

Sequence of events (SOE) is a mechanism to record timestamped events from all over a plant in a common database (on-premise database in [Figure 1](#)).

Application defined events are e.g. changes of digital input signal values. Additional data may be provided together with the events, e.g. universal time sync state and grandmaster, working clock domain and value ...

SOE enables root-cause analysis of disruptions after multiple events have occurred. Therefore SOE can be used as diagnostics mechanism to minimize plant downtime.

Plant-wide precisely synchronized time (see [Figure 5](#)) is a precondition for effective SOE application.

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SOE support may even be legally demanded e.g. for power generation applications.

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#### Requirements:

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- Plant wide high precision Universal Time synchronization;
- Maximum deviation to the grandmaster time in the range from 1  $\mu$ s to 100  $\mu$ s;
- Optional support of redundant sync masters and domains;
- Non-zero failover time in case of redundant universal time domains;

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#### Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

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- IEEE 802.1AS-Rev

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## 2.4 Industrial automation modes of operation

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### 2.4.1 Industrial automation traffic types

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#### 2.4.1.1 General

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Industrial automation applications concurrently make use of different traffic schemes/patterns for different functionalities, e.g. parameterization, control, alarming. The various traffic patterns have different characteristics and thus impose different requirements on a TSN network.

[Table 1](#) subsumes the industrial automation relevant traffic patterns to traffic types with their associated properties (see also [\[4\]](#)).

Table 1 – Industrial automation traffic types summary

Traffic type name	Periodic/ Sporadic	Guarantee	Data size	Redundancy	Details
isochronous cyclic real-time	P	deadline/ bounded latency (e.g. 20%@1 Gbit/s / 50% @100 Mbit/s network cycle)/ bandwidth	bounded	up to seamless <sup>1)</sup>	see <a href="#">Table 4</a> and 2.4.2
cyclic real-time	P	deadline/ bounded latency (e.g. n-times network cycle)/ bandwidth	bounded	up to seamless <sup>1)</sup>	see <a href="#">Table 8</a> and 2.4.5
network control	S	Priority	-	up to seamless <sup>1)</sup> as required	see 2.3 and 2.5.1
audio/video	P	bounded latency/ bandwidth	bounded	up to regular <sup>2)</sup>	-
brownfield	P	bounded latency/ bandwidth	-	up to regular <sup>2)</sup>	see 2.5.6
alarms/ events	S	bounded latency/ bandwidth	-	up to regular <sup>2)</sup>	see 2.3.4
configuration/ diagnostics	S	Bandwidth	-	up to regular <sup>2)</sup>	see 2.8.1
Internal / Pass-through	S	Bandwidth	-	up to regular <sup>2)</sup>	see 2.6.2
best effort	S	-	-	up to regular <sup>2)</sup>	-

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348 <sup>1)</sup> almost zero failover time349 <sup>2)</sup> larger failover time because of network re-convergence

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351 | All traffic types of [Table 1](#) are referenced by the use cases, which are described in this document:

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353 Isochronous:

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à see [Use case 02: Isochronous Control Loops with guaranteed low latency](#)

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356 Cyclic:

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à see [Use case 03: Non-Isochronous Control Loops with bounded latency](#)

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359 Network control:

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à see [Use case 07: Redundant networks](#)

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362 Audio/video:

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à NOTE: Non-AVB – need to follow TSN-IA profile rules!

- 364 - Machine vision applications: counting, sorting, quality control, video surveillance,  
 365 augmented reality, motion guidance, ...  
 366 - based on TSN features and stream establishment, and not on AVB...

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 368 Brownfield:

369 à see [Use case 12: New machine with brownfield devices](#)

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371 Alarms/events:

372 à see [Use case 01: Sequence of events](#)

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374 Configuration/diagnostics:

375 à see [Use case 29: Network monitoring and diagnostics](#)

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377 Internal:

378 à see [Use case 18: Pass-through Traffic](#)

379 Best effort:

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381 [2.4.1.2 Characterization of isochronous cyclic real-time and cyclic real-time](#)

382 The following properties table is used to characterize in detail the traffic types of [Use case 02:](#)  
 383 [Isochronous Control Loops with guaranteed low latency](#) and [Use case 03: Non-Isochronous](#)  
 384 [Control Loops with bounded latency](#).

385 **Table 2 – isochronous cyclic real-time and cyclic real-time traffic type properties**

Property	Description
Data transmission scheme	<i>Periodic (P)</i> - e.g. every N $\mu$ s, or <i>Sporadic (S)</i> - e.g. event-driven
Data transmission constraints	Indicates the traffic pattern's data transmission constraints for proper operation. Four data transmission constraints are defined: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>deadline</i>: transmitted data is guaranteed to be received at the destination(s) before a specific instant of time,</li> <li>• <i>latency</i>: transmitted data is guaranteed to be received at the destination(s) within a specific period of time after the data is transmitted by the sending application,</li> <li>• <i>bandwidth</i>: transmitted data is guaranteed to be received at the destination(s) if the bandwidth usage is within the resources reserved by the transmitting applications,</li> <li>• <i>none</i>: no special data transmission constraint is given.</li> </ul>
Data period	For traffic types that transmit <i>periodic</i> data this property denotes according to the <i>data transmission constraints</i> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>deadline</i>: application data deadline period,</li> <li>• <i>latency, bandwidth or none</i>: data transmission period.</li> </ul> The period is given as a <i>range</i> of time values, e.g. 1 $\mu$ s ... 1ms. For the <i>sporadic</i> traffic types, this property does not apply.
Data transmission synchronized to network cycle	Indicates whether the data transmission of sender stations is synchronized to the network cycle. Available property options are: <i>yes</i> or <i>no</i> .

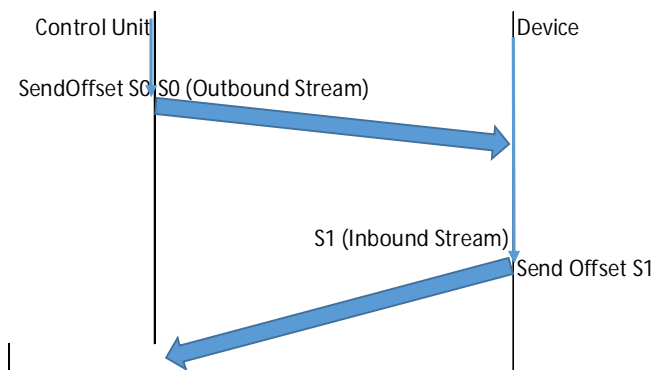


Property	Description
Application synchronized to working clock	Indicates whether the applications, which make use of this traffic pattern, are synchronized to the working clock. Available property options are: <i>yes</i> or <i>no</i> .
Acceptable jitter	Indicates for traffic types, which apply data transmission with <i>latency</i> constraints, the amount of jitter, which can occur and must be coped with by the receiving destination(s). For traffic types with <i>deadline</i> , <i>bandwidth</i> or <i>none</i> data transmission constraints this property is not applicable ( <i>n.a.</i> ).
Acceptable frame loss	Indicates the traffic pattern's tolerance to lost frames given e.g. as acceptable frame loss ratio range. The frame loss ratio value <i>0</i> indicates traffic types, where no single frame loss is acceptable.
Payload	Indicates the payload data <i>type</i> and <i>size</i> to be transmitted. Two payload types are defined: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>fixed</i>: the payload is always transmitted with exactly the same size</li> <li><i>bounded</i>: the payload is always transmitted with a size, which does not exceed a given maximum; the maximum may be the maximum Ethernet payload size (1500).</li> </ul>

#### 386 2.4.2 Bidirectional communication relations

387 The general behavior of field devices of process sensors and output signals is preconfigured and  
388 offers a set of services to a machine control unit. More complex field devices such as drives or  
389 machine parts have process data in both directions. If there are only outputs in a field device the  
390 stream back to the machine controller is necessary for fast detection of problems in a field device.  
391 If there are only input process data the stream from the machine controller to the field device is not  
392 necessary for normal operation.

393 The cell controller communicates with the machine control units of the machines also in a  
394 bidirectional way.



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396 **Figure 7 – Bidirectional Communication**

#### 397 Requirements:

- 398 · Support of bidirectional streams;
- 399 · Sequence of actions how to establish such streams (see Figure 7);

#### 400 Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

- 401 · IEEE 802.1Q (usage of streams)

## 402 2.4.3 Control Loop Basic Model

403 **Control loops** are fundamental building blocks of industrial automation systems. Control loops include:  
 404 process sensors, a controller function, and output signals. Control loops may require guaranteed low  
 405 latency or more relaxed bounded latency (see 2.4.5) network transfer quality.

406 To achieve the needed quality for Control loops the roundtrip delay (sometimes called makespan,  
 407 too) of the exchanged data is essential.

408 **Figure 8** shows the whole transmission path from Controller application to Device application(s)  
 409 and back. The blue and red arrows show the contributions to the e2e (end-to-end) latency  
 410 respectively.

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 412 **Figure 8** and **Table 3** show three levels of a control loop:

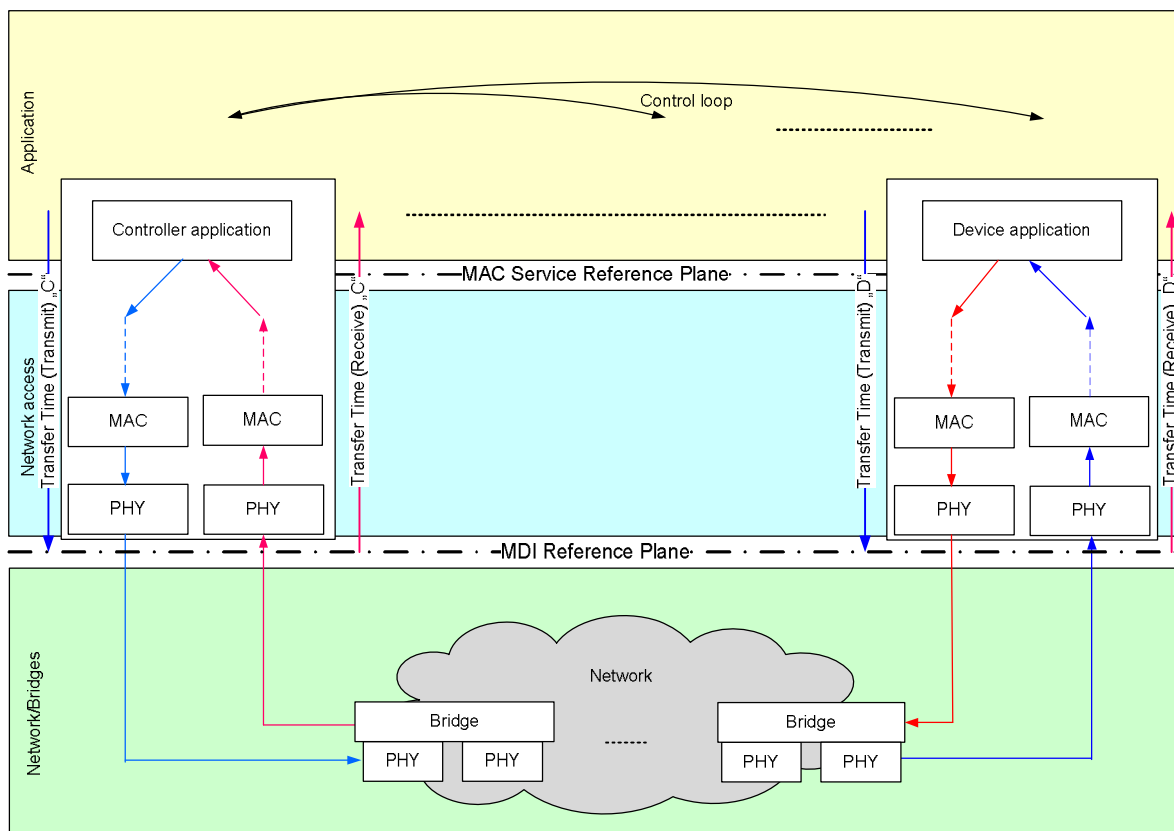
- 413 § Application - within Talker/Listener,
- 414 § Network Access - within Talker/Listener,
- 415 § Network Forwarding - within Bridges.

416 Network Access is always synchronized to a common working clock or to a local timescale.

417 Application may or may not be synchronized to the synchronized Network Access depending on  
 418 the application requirements. Applications which are synchronized to Network Access are called  
 419 “isochronous applications”. Applications which are not synchronized to Network Access are called  
 420 “non-isochronous applications”.

421 Network Forwarding may or may not be synchronized to a working clock depending on whether the  
 422 Enhancements for Scheduled Traffic (802.1Qbv) are applied.

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425 **Figure 8 – Principle data flow of control loop**

426 Transfer Times contain PHY and MAC delays. Both delays are asymmetric and vendor specific.  
 427 Device vendors have to take into account these transfer times when their application cycle models  
 428 are designed (see Figure 8 and Figure 9).

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**Table 3 – Application types**

Level	Isochronous Application		Non-isochronous Application		
Application	Synchronized to network access		Synchronized to local timescale		
Network access	Synchronized to working clock				Synchronized to local timescale
Network/Bridges	Synchronized to working clock	Free running	Synchronized to working clock	Free running	Free running
	802.1.Qbv	Strict Priority	802.1Qbv	Strict Priority	Strict Priority

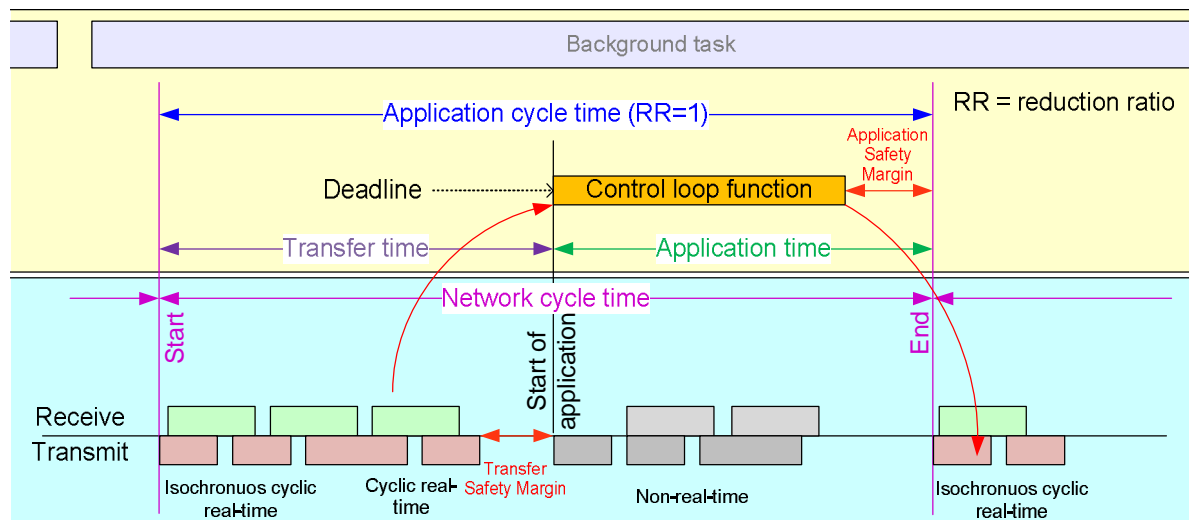
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432 2.4.4 Use case 02: Isochronous Control Loops with guaranteed low latency

433 Control loops with guaranteed low latency implement an isochronous traffic pattern for isochronous  
 434 applications, which are synchronized to the network access (see Table 3). It is based on  
 435 application cycles, which consists of an IO data Transfer time and an Application time wherein the  
 436 control loop function is executed. Figure 9 shows the principle how Network cycle, Transfer time  
 437 and Application time interact in this use case.

438 Application cycle time and Network cycle time are identical in the example of Figure 9 (RR=1/see  
 439 2.4.6), whereas Figure 10 shows examples where the Application cycle time is longer than the  
 440 Network cycle time (RR>1/see 2.4.6).

441 The control loop function starts for controllers and devices at a fixed reference point after the  
 442 transfer time when all necessary buffers are available. A single execution of a control loop function  
 443 ends before the next transfer time period starts. Thus, all frames must be received by the  
 444 addressed application within the transfer time. An optimized local transmit order at sender stations  
 445 is required to achieve minimal transfer time periods.  
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448 **Figure 9 – network cycle and isochronous application (Basic model)**

449 Transfer Safety Margin is the maximum time, which is needed to transfer received data from the  
 450 MDI reference plane (see Transfer Time (Receive) in Figure 8) to the application.

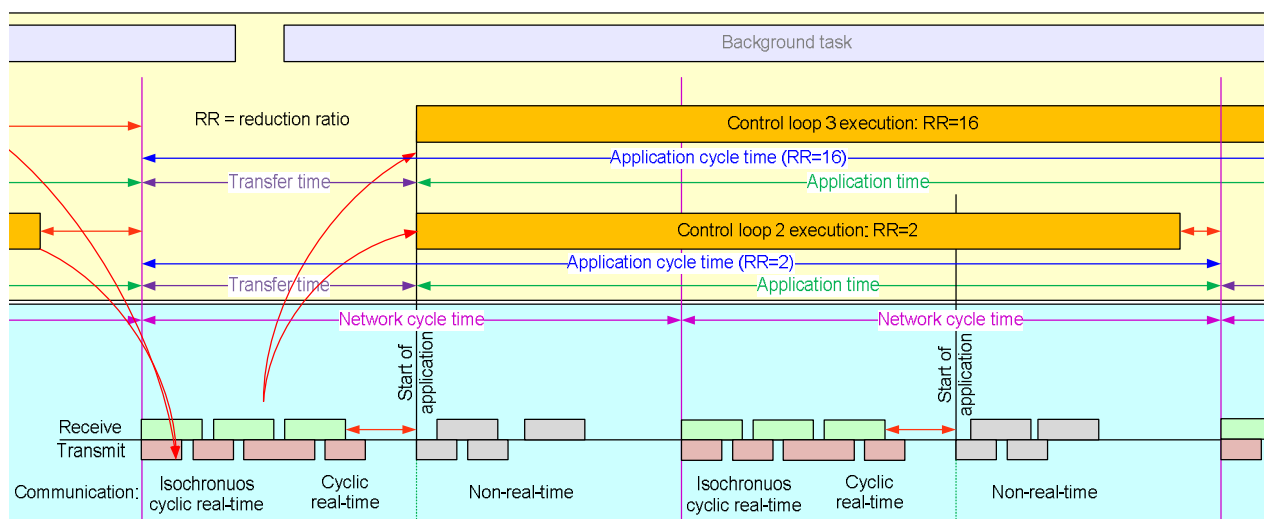
451 Application Safety Margin is the maximum time, which is needed to transfer the produced data from  
 452 the application to the MDI reference plane (see Transfer Time (Transmit) Figure 8).

453 Figure 10 shows how this principle is used for multiple concurrent applications with even extended  
 454 computing time requirements longer than a single application time within the network cycle time.  
 455 When reduction ratio >1 is applied (see 2.4.6), the control loop function can be expanded over  
 456 multiple network cycles (Control loop 2 with reduction ratio 2 and Control loop 3 with reduction ratio  
 457 16 in Figure 10).

458 Maximum available computation time for a Control loop with reduction ratio X:  
 459  $X * \text{network cycle time} - \text{Transfer time} - \text{Application safety margin}$

460 Transfer of isochronous cyclic real-time, cyclic real-time and non-real-time data is processed in  
 461 parallel to the various control loop functions - preserving the deadline requirement of the control  
 462 loops.

463 A cyclic background task can additionally run, when ever spare Transfer or Application time is  
 464 available.



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466 **Figure 10 – Multiple concurrent isochronous control loops (Extended model)**

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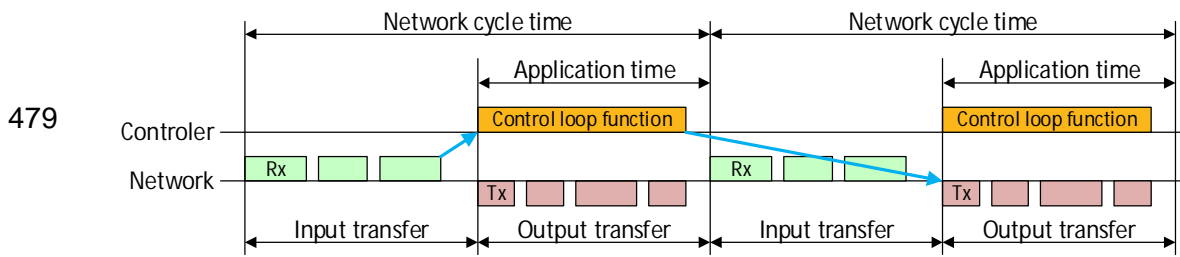
468 Network cycle: transfer time (including safety margin) and application time (including safety margin)

469 Transfer time: period of time, wherein all necessary frames are exchanged between stations  
 470 (controller, devices); the minimum transfer time is determined by the e2e latencies of the necessary  
 471 frames; the e2e latency depends on: PHY-delays, MAC-delays, bridge-delays and send ordering.  
 472 The transfer time is a fraction of the network cycle time.

473 For a given target transfer time the number of possible bridges on the path is restricted due to  
 474 PHY-, MAC- and bridge-delay contributions.

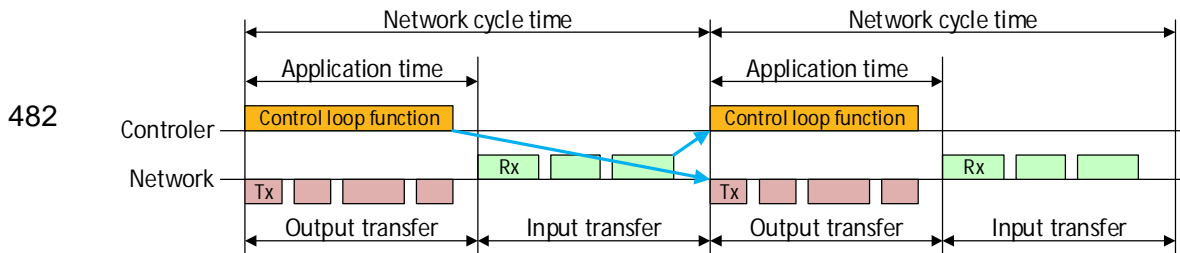
475 Figure 11 to Figure 16 show variations of the basic model of Figure 9:

476 In existing technologies some of the models are used in optimized ways to reduce the network  
 477 cycle time and/or the IO-reaction time (sometimes also called 'makespan' or 'roundtrip delay time').  
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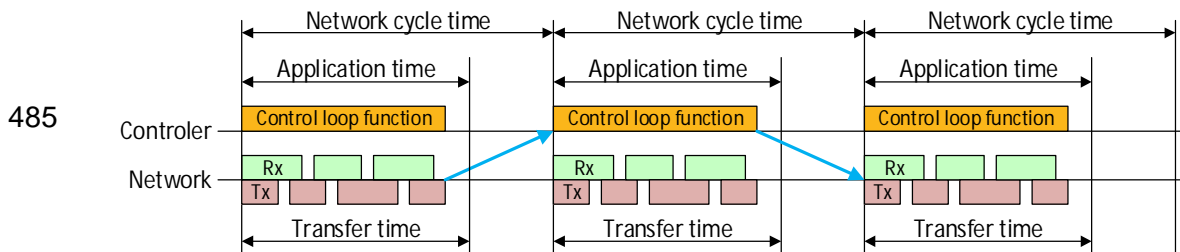
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480 **Figure 11 – Variation 1: two cycle timing model**

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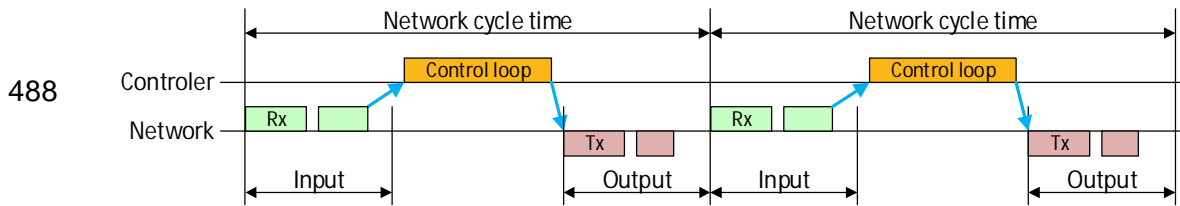
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483 **Figure 12 – Variation 2: two cycle timing model - shifted by 180°**

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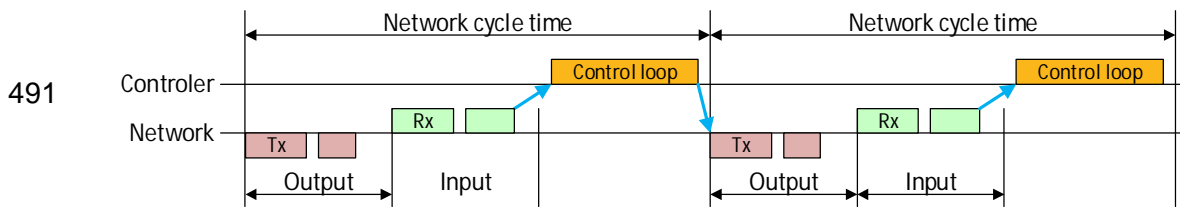
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486 **Figure 13 – Variation 3: three cycle timing model**

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489 **Figure 14 – Variation 4: one cycle timing model**

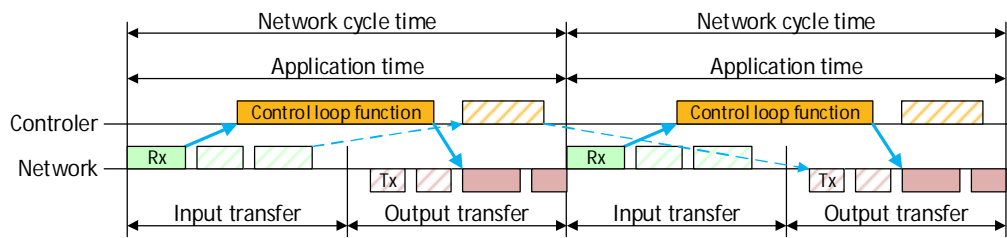
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492 **Figure 15 – Variation 5: one cycle timing model – changed sequence**

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**Figure 16 – Variation 6: further optimizations**

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The extended model of Figure 10 may be applied to these variations as well.

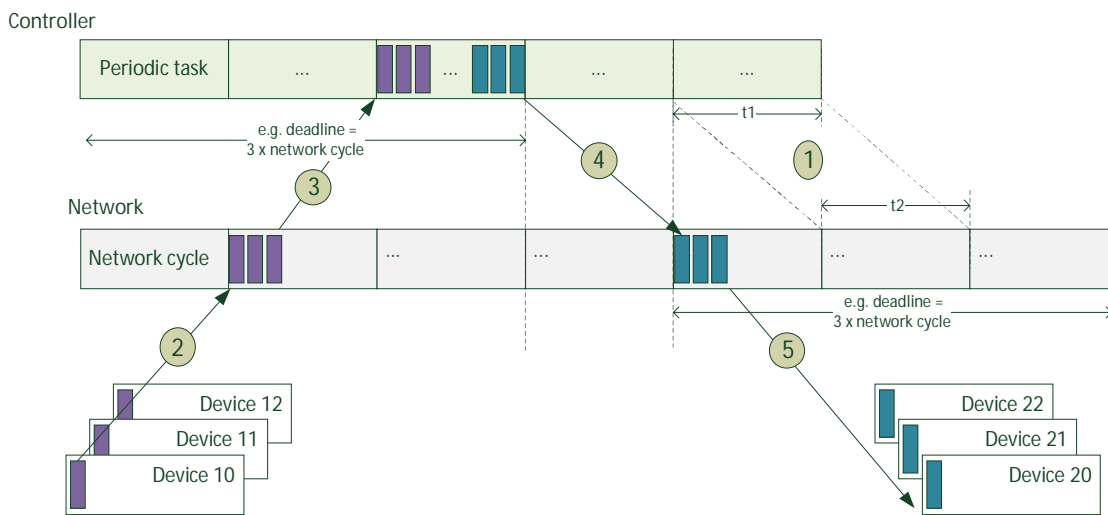
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*2.4.4.1 Isochronous cyclic operation model*

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Figure 17 shows the isochronous cyclic operation model for guaranteed low latency.



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**Figure 17 – isochronous cyclic operation model**

Isochronous cyclic operation characteristics:

Multiple applications (periodic tasks) with different application periods are supported.  
Applications are synchronized to working clock:

- Devices:  $\ddot{O}$
- Controller:  $\ddot{O}$

Multiple application update times based on different reduction ratios are supported.  
Data transmission is synchronized to network cycle (WorkingClock):

- Devices:  $\ddot{O}$
- Controller:  $\ddot{O}$

The single steps of the isochronous cyclic operation model are:

1	<p>Controller periodic tasks are synchronized to the working clock. Example: Periodic task_01 period (<math>t_1</math>) == network cycle period (<math>t_2</math>). Periodic task_02 period == 8 * network cycle period (<math>t_2</math>). Periodic task_03 period == 32 * network cycle period (<math>t_2</math>).</p>
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2	Device data transmission is synchronized to network cycle (Working Clock).
3	<p>Device input data must reach controller within an application defined deadline. Controller application may check the timeliness (by means of additional data in the payload, e.g. LifeSign model).</p> <p>Controller application operates on local process image data. Local process image decouples communication protocol from application.</p> <p>Additional: Device input data must reach controller within a communication monitoring defined deadline (communication protocol). Communication disturbances are recognized and signaled asynchronously by communication protocol to application.</p>
4	Controller output data transmission is synchronized to network cycle (Working Clock).
5	<p>Controller output data must reach device within an application defined deadline. Device application may check the timeliness (by means of additional data in the payload, e.g. PROFINET Isochronous Mode SignOfLife model – see [3]).</p> <p>Device application operates on local process image data. Local process image decouples communication protocol from application.</p> <p>Additional: Controller out data must reach device within a communication monitoring defined deadline (communication protocol). Communication disturbances are recognized and signaled asynchronously by communication protocol to application.</p>

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High control loop quality is achieved by:

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- Short network cycle times to minimize reaction time (dead time),
- equidistant network cycle times based on a synchronized working clock to ensure a defined reaction time,
- device signal processing and transfer coupled to synchronized working clock, and
- device and controller application (function) coupled to synchronized working clock.

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isochronous mode: coupling of device and controller application (function) to the synchronized working clock

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isochronous cyclic real-time: transfer time less than 20%/50% of network cycle and applications are coupled to the working clock.

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**Table 4 – isochronous traffic pattern properties**

Characteristics		Notes
Data transmission scheme	periodic	
Data transmission constraints	deadline	End-to-end one-way latency <sup>2</sup> less than 20% (link speeds > 100 Mbit/s) / 50% (link speeds <= 100 Mbit/s) of network cycle

<sup>2</sup> The end-to-end one-way latency is measured from the arrival of the last bit at the ingress edge port of the bridged network to the transmission of the last bit by the egress edge port of the bridged network (see, e.g., Annex L.3 in IEEE Std 802.1Q-2014).

	Characteristics	Notes
Data period	1 $\mu$ s .. 1ms 250 $\mu$ s .. 4ms	
Data transmission synchronized to network cycle	Yes	
Application synchronized to working clock	Yes	
Acceptable jitter	n.a.	Deadline shall be kept
Acceptable frame loss	0..n frames	Media redundancy requirements according to the required tolerance; e.g. seamless redundancy for value 0
Payload	1 .. IEEE Std 802.3 maximum data payload size (i.e. 1500 bytes)	Data size negotiated during connection establishment

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isochronous domain: All stations, which share a common

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- working clock,

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- network cycle, and

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- traffic model (traffic class definition).

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Requirements on network cycle times:

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- 1  $\mu$ s to 1 ms at link speed 1 Gbit/s (or higher)

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- 250  $\mu$ s to 4 ms at link speed 100 Mbit/s (or lower, e.g. 10 Mbit/s)

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#### 2.4.4.2 Delay requirements

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To make short control loop times feasible PHY, MAC and bridge delays shall meet upper limits:

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- PHY delays shall meet the upper limits of [Table 5](#).

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- MAC delays shall meet the upper limits of [Table 6](#).

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- Bridge delays shall be independent from the frame size and meet the upper limits of [Table 7](#).

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[Figure 18](#) shows the definition of PHY delay, MAC delay and Bridge delay reference points.



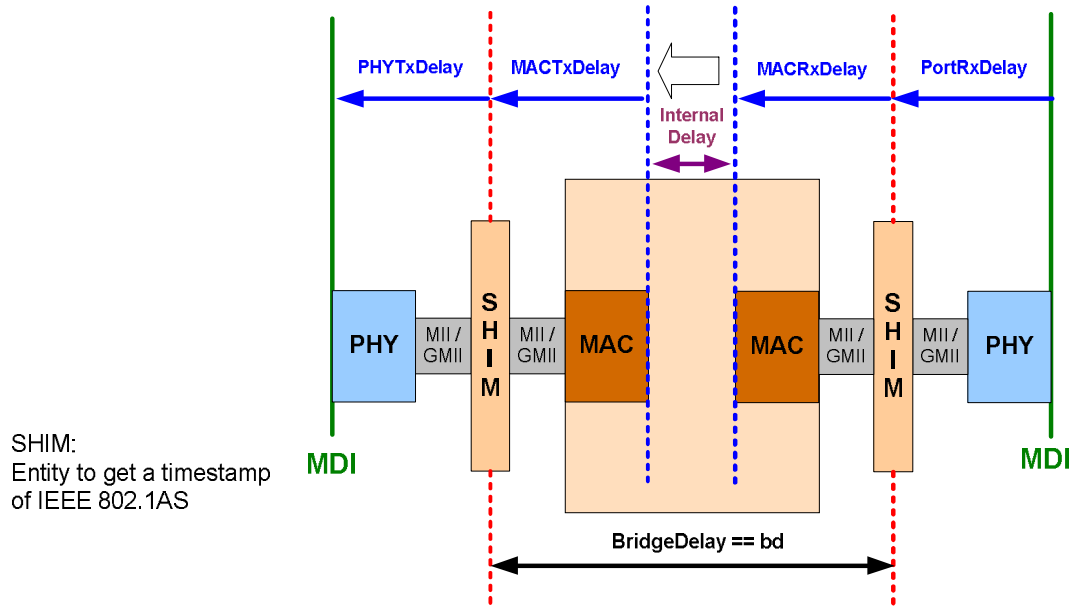


Figure 18 – delay measurement reference points

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531 Strict numbers such as those proposed hereafter in Table 5, Table 6 and Table 7 are necessary to  
532 approach the problem of short control loop times. The numbers have to be agreed on in the profile.  
533 Specifying these numbers, however, doesn't eliminate the need to publish exact values through  
534 802.1 standardized mechanisms as applicable.

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Table 5 – Expected PHY delays

Device	RX delay <sup>c</sup>	TX delay <sup>c</sup>	Jitter
10 Mbit/s	<< 1 μs	<< 1 μs	< 4 ns
100 Mbit/s MII PHY	210 ns (Max. 340 ns) <sup>a</sup>	90 ns (Max. 140 ns) <sup>a</sup>	< 4 ns
100 Mbit/s RGMII PHY	210 ns <sup>b</sup>	90 ns <sup>b</sup>	< 4 ns
1 Gbit/s RGMII PHY	<< 500 ns <sup>b</sup>	<< 500 ns <sup>b</sup>	< 4 ns
2,5 Gbit/s RGMII PHY	<< 500 ns <sup>b</sup>	<< 500 ns <sup>b</sup>	< 4 ns
5 Gbit/s RGMII PHY	<< 500 ns <sup>b</sup>	<< 500 ns <sup>b</sup>	< 4 ns
10 Gbit/s	Tdb	tbd	tbd
25 Gbit/s – 1 Tbit/s	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

<sup>a</sup> According IEEE 802.3 for 100 Mbit/s full duplex with exposed MII.  
<sup>b</sup> Values from 100 Mbit/s PHYs (or better) are needed to allow substitution even for Gigabit or higher.  
<sup>c</sup> Lower values mean more performance for linear topology.

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**Table 6 – Expected MAC delays**

Link speed	Maximum RX delay	Maximum TX delay
10 Mbit/s	<< 1 $\mu$ s	<< 1 $\mu$ s
100 Mbit/s	<< 1 $\mu$ s	<< 1 $\mu$ s
1 Gbit/s	<< 1 $\mu$ s	<< 1 $\mu$ s
2,5 Gbit/s	<< 1 $\mu$ s	<< 1 $\mu$ s
5 Gbit/s	<< 1 $\mu$ s	<< 1 $\mu$ s
10 Gbit/s	<< 1 $\mu$ s	<< 1 $\mu$ s
25 Gbit/s – 1 Tbit/s	n.a.	n.a.

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**Table 7 – Expected Ethernet Bridge delays**

Link speed	Value	Comment
10 Mbit/s	< 30 $\mu$ s	No usage of bridging expected
100 Mbit/s	< 3 $\mu$ s	Bridge delay measure from MII to MII
1 Gbit/s	< 1 $\mu$ s	Bridge delay measure from RGMII to RGMII
2,5 Gbit/s	< 1 $\mu$ s	Bridge delay measure from XGMII to XGMII
5 Gbit/s	< 1 $\mu$ s	Bridge delay measure from XGMII to XGMII
10 Gbit/s	< 1 $\mu$ s	Bridge delay measure from XGMII to XGMII
25 Gbit/s – 1 Tbit/s:	n.a.	No covered by this specification

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Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

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Example:

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A representative example of a “Control loop with guaranteed low latency” use case is given in clause 2.5.11.4 *“Fast” process applications*.

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**2.4.5 Use case 03: Non-Isynchronous Control Loops with bounded latency**

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Control loops with bounded latency implement a cyclic traffic pattern for non-isochronous applications, which are not synchronized to the network access **but are synchronized to a local timescale** (see Table 3).

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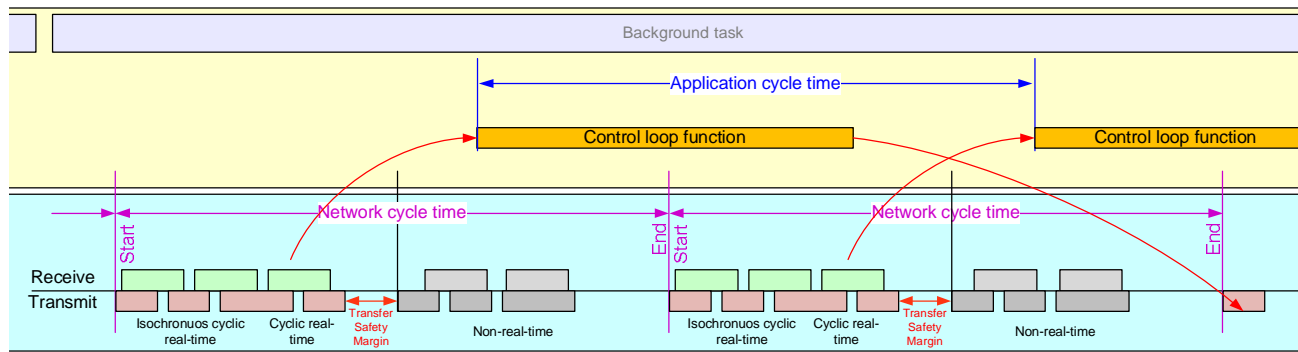
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Figure 19 shows the principle how network cycle, transfer time and application time interact in this use case. The control loop function starts at an application defined time, which is not synchronized to the network access **but to a local timescale**. **The network cycle, which describes the repetitive behavior of the network interface, may be synchronized to a common working clock or to a local timescale.**



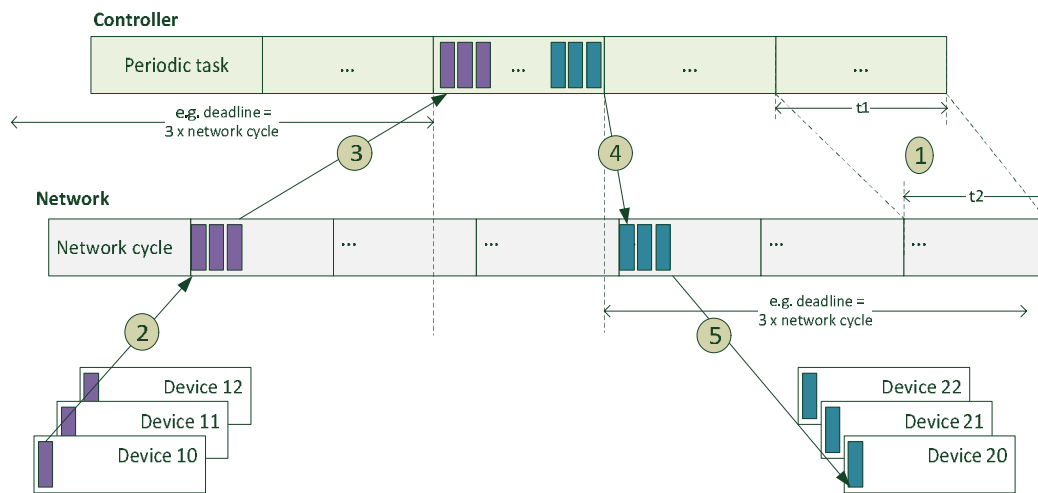
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**Figure 19 – network cycle and non-isochronous application (Basic model)**

559 | Extensions of this model analogous to Figure 10 (multiple applications with differing application  
560 lengths) are also possible.

561 *2.4.5.1 Cyclic operation model*



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**Figure 20 – cyclic operation model**

Cyclic operation characteristics:

Multiple applications with different application periods are supported.  
Applications synchronized to a common working clock or a local timescale:

- Devices:     Ö
- Controller:  Ö

Multiple update times based on different reduction ratios are supported.  
Network access is synchronized to network cycle (WorkingClock):

- Devices:     Ö
- Controller:  Ö

566 The single steps of the cyclic operation model are:

①	Controller periodic tasks don't need to be synchronized to working clock, but may be synchronized. Periodic task period (t1) != network cycle period (t2).
②	Data transmission is synchronized to network cycle (Working Clock)
③	Device input data must reach controller within a communication monitoring defined deadline (communication protocol). Controller application assumes a kept update interval but doesn't know whether it is kept or not. Communication disturbances are recognized and signaled asynchronously by communication protocol to application. Controller application operates on local process image data. Local process image decouples communication protocol from application.
④	Controller output data transmission is synchronized to network cycle (Working Clock).
⑤	Controller output data must reach device within a communication monitoring defined deadline (communication protocol). Device application assumes an kept update interval but doesn't know whether it is kept or not. Communication disturbances are recognized and signaled asynchronously by communication protocol to application. Device application operates on local process image data. Local process image decouples communication protocol from application.

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568 [2.4.5.2 \*Cyclic traffic pattern\*](#)

569 Control loops with bounded latency implement a cyclic traffic pattern. More relaxed control reaction  
570 time requirements (e.g. 10 ms - 10 s) allow free running applications instead of isochronous  
571 applications. In consequence transfer time requirements are more relaxed as well. The transfer  
572 time may be longer than the network cycle in this use case.

573 For a given target transfer time the number of possible bridges on a communication path is  
574 restricted due to PHY-, MAC- and bridge-delay contributions, but can be much higher compared to  
575 [Use case 02: Isochronous Control Loops with guaranteed low latency](#).

576 Cyclic real-time: transfer time may be longer than network cycle and applications are decoupled  
577 from the working clock.

578 **Table 8 – cyclic traffic pattern properties**

Characteristics		Notes
Data transmission scheme	periodic	
Data transmission constraints	deadline	End-to-end one-way latency <sup>3</sup> less than X * network cycle (X   1 .. n)
Data period	X * network cycle (X   1 .. n)	
Data transmission synchronized to network cycle	Yes	
Application synchronized to	No	

<sup>3</sup> The end-to-end one-way latency is measured from the arrival of the last bit at the ingress edge port of the bridged network to the transmission of the last bit by the egress edge port of the bridged network (see, e.g., Annex L.3 in IEEE Std 802.1Q-2014).

	Characteristics	Notes
working clock		
Acceptable jitter	n.a.	Deadline shall be kept
Acceptable frame loss	0..n frames	Media redundancy requirements according to the required tolerance; e.g. seamless redundancy for value 0
Payload	1 .. IEEE Std 802.3 maximum data payload size (i.e. 1500 bytes)	Data size negotiated during connection establishment

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Cyclic real-time domain: All stations, which share a common

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- traffic model (traffic class definition).

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Requirements:

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Stations shall be able to implement [Use case 03: Non-Isochronous Control Loops with bounded latency](#) and [Use case 03: Non-Isochronous Control Loops with bounded latency](#) concurrently.

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Transmission paths shall be able to handle different

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- working clocks, and
- network cycles.

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Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

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#### 2.4.6 Use case 04: Reduction ratio of network cycle

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Application needs may limit the in principle flexible network cycle time to a defined granularity.

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E.g. in case of network cycle granularity 31,25 µs the possible network cycles are:

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≥ 1Gbit/s: 31,25 µs \* 2<sup>n</sup> | n=0 .. 5

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< 1Gbit/s: 31,25 µs \* 2<sup>n</sup> | n=2 .. 7

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Application cycle times are the result of the used network cycle times together with reduction ratios:

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- 31,25 µs to 512 ms

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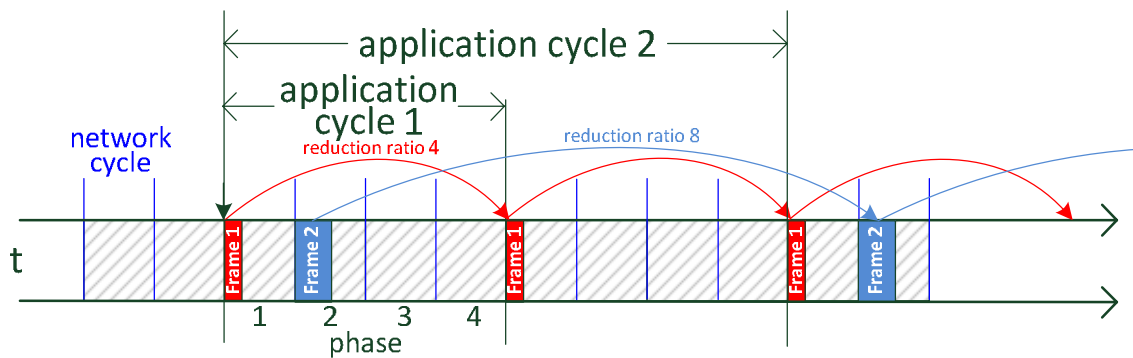
Reduction ratio: The value of “reduction ratio” defines the number of network cycles between two consecutive transmits.

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Phase: The value of “phase” in conjunction with “reduction ratio” defines the starting network cycle for the consecutive transmits.

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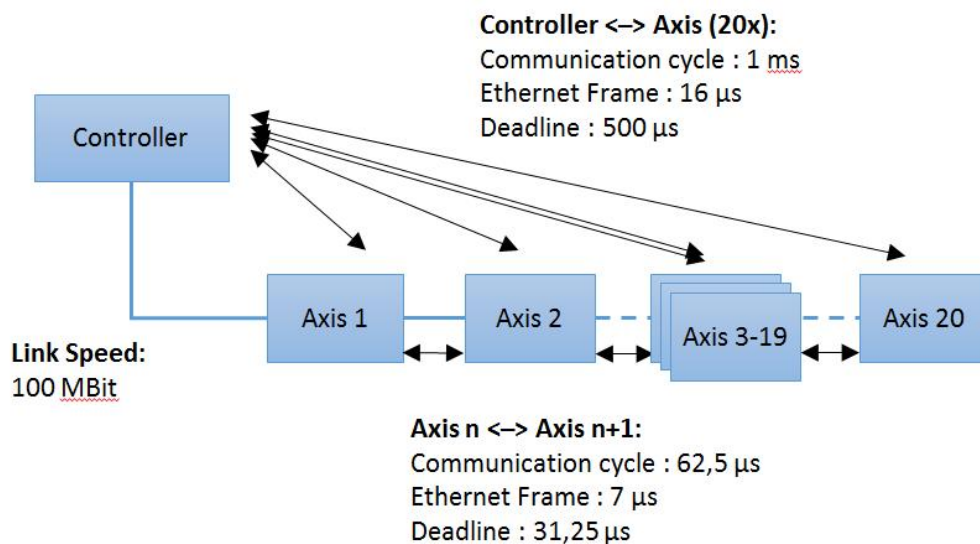
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**Figure 21 – network cycle and application cycle**

608 Use case 06: Drives without common application cycle but common network cycle is an example of  
 609 multiple different application cycles, which are based on a common network cycle.

610 Figure 22 shows another example use case where all drives are connected in a line and every  
 611 drive needs direct data exchange to the Controller and additionally to its direct neighbor.  
 612 Some similar applications might even be more complex when the physical topology does not  
 613 match the logical order of drives.



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**Figure 22 – isochronous drive synchronization**

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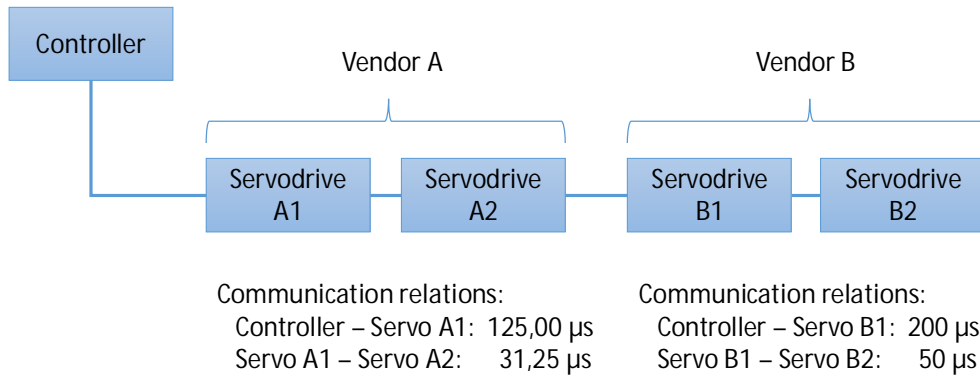
620 2.4.7 Use case 05: Drives without common application cycle

621 2.4.7.1 Background information

622 The cycle time requirements of different vendors may be based on their technology, which cannot  
 623 be changed with reasonable effort. These requirements may be based on hardware dependencies,  
 624 independent of the capabilities of the communication part of the device.

625 | **Figure 23** shows an example, where Vendor A needs to communicate with 31,25  $\mu$ s between its  
 626 | devices (A1 with A2), and Vendor B needs to communicate with 50  $\mu$ s (between B1 and B2).  
 627 | The communication with the controller which has to coordinate both of them must be a multiple of  
 628 | their local cycles. A1 needs to exchange data every 125 $\mu$ s with the Controller, B1 needs to  
 629 | exchange data every 200 $\mu$ s with the Controller.

630 | Servo drives from different vendors (Vendor A and Vendor B) are working on the same network.  
 631 | For specific reasons the vendors are limited in the choice of the period for their control loop.



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**Figure 23 – network with different application cycles**

635 | The following Communication Relations are expected to be possible:

636 |        Servodrive A1  $\rightarrow$  Servodrive A2: 31,25  $\mu$ s

637 |        Servodrive B1  $\rightarrow$  Servodrive B2: 50  $\mu$ s

638 |        Controller  $\rightarrow$  Servodrive A1: 125  $\mu$ s

639 |        Controller  $\rightarrow$  Servodrive B1: 200  $\mu$ s

640 |        Servodrive A1  $\rightarrow$  Servodrive B1: 1 ms

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642 | Requirements:

643 |        - Isochronous data exchange

644 |        - Different cycles for data exchange, which are not multiples of each other

645 |        (cycles are not multiple of a common base, but fractions of a common base, here for

646 |        instance 1 ms)

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Useful 802.1Q mechanisms:

649 |        . Whatever helps

650 |        . ...

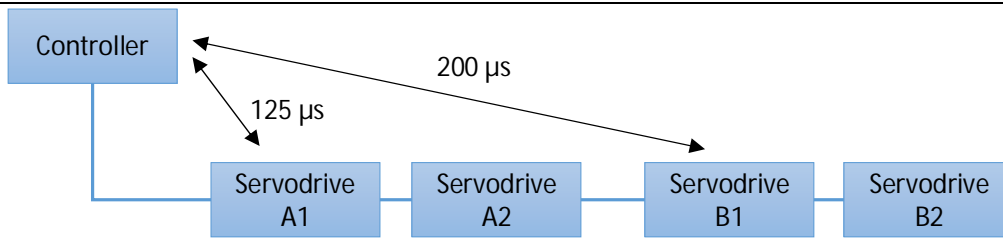
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#### 652 | 2.4.7.2 Controller communication

653 | The Usecase concentrates on the communication between the devices A1 and B1, and the

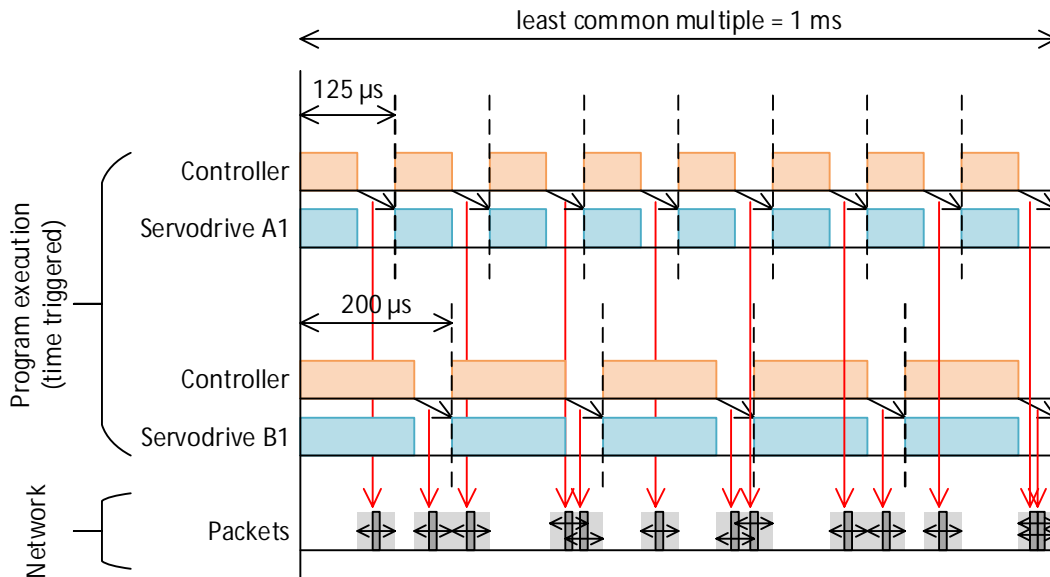
654 | Controller as shown in **Figure 24**. Nevertheless the communication between A1/A2 and B1/B2 has

655 | to be solved as well.



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658 **Figure 24 – Multivendor Motion – Controller communication**

659 **2.4.7.3 Timing Requirements**



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662 **Figure 25 – Multivendor Motion – Timing Requirements**

663 The Controller runs 2 parallel programs in multitasking, one program with 125 μs cycle, and  
664 another with 200 μs cycle. Alternatively there might also be 2 independent controllers on the same  
665 network, one of vendor A and one of vendor B.

666 After every program execution, data needs to be exchanged between Controller and Servodrive.  
667 The time window for this exchange is application specific.

668 The actual data exchange on the wire can happen at any time in this window, the devices are not  
669 dependent on any exact transmission or reception timing, as long as the packet is in the scheduled  
670 window.

671 **2.4.8 Use case 06: Drives without common application cycle but common network cycle**

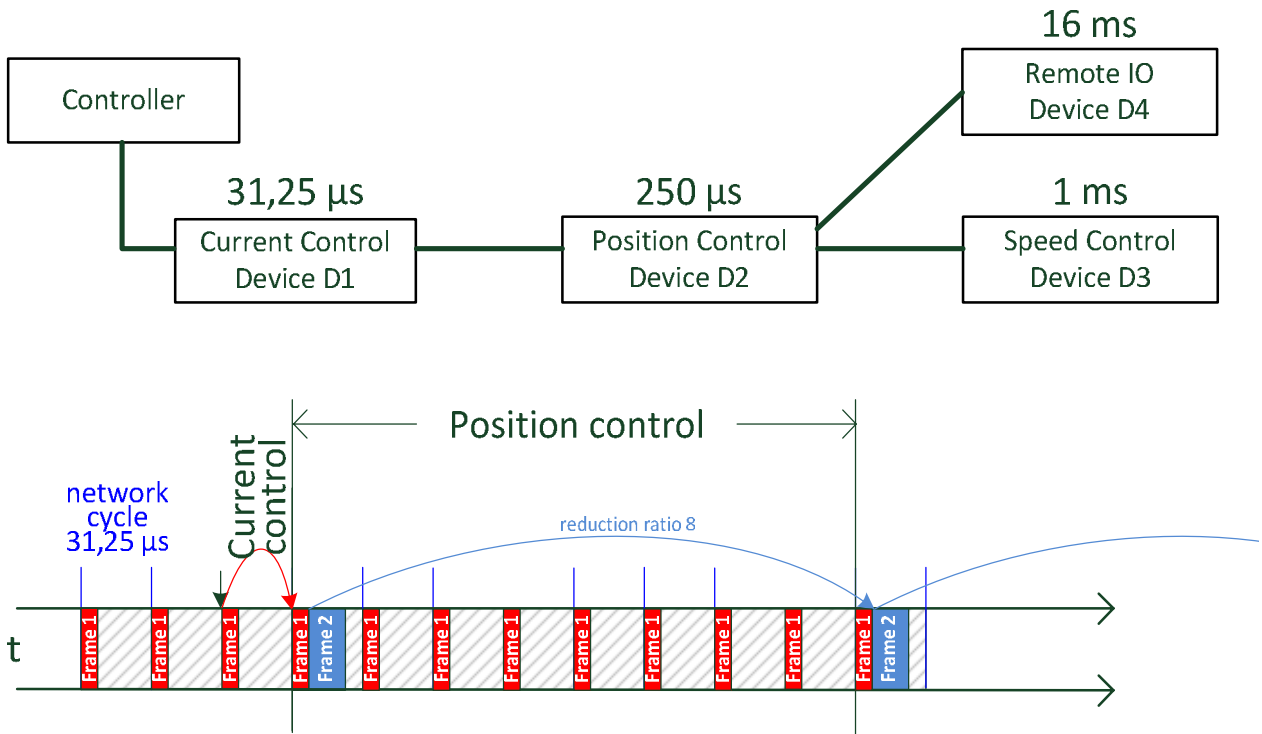
672 The concept of multiple different application cycles which are based on a common network cycle is  
673 described in [Use case 04: Reduction ratio of network cycle](#).

674 Examples with different application cycle times but common network cycle time 31,25 μs:

- 675 - 31,25 μs, i.e. reduction ratio 1 for current control loop,
- 676 - 250 μs, i.e. reduction ratio 4 for [motor speed control loop](#),



- 677 | - 1 ms, i.e. reduction ratio 16 for position control loop,
- 678 | - 16 ms, i.e. reduction ratio 256 for remote IO.



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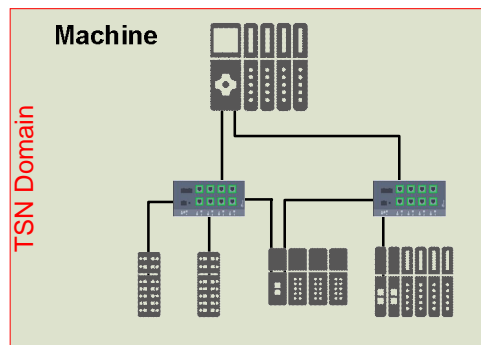
Figure 26 – different application cycles but common network cycle

## 683 2.5 Industrial automation networks

## 684 2.5.1 Use case 07: Redundant networks

685 Ring topologies are the basic industrial network architecture for switch-over or seamless  
686 redundancy.

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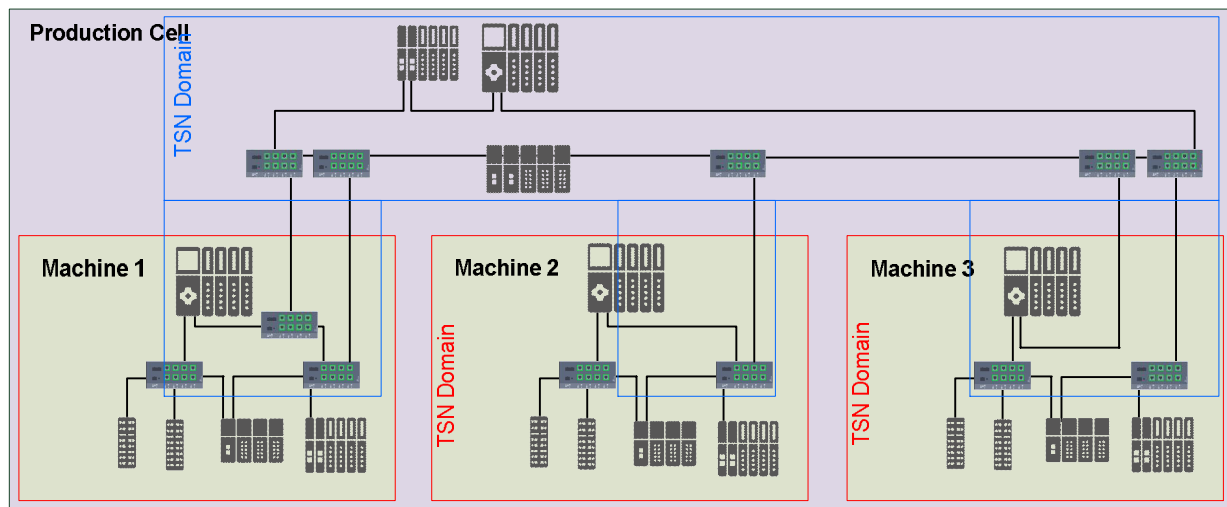
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Figure 27 – ring topology

689 When a production cell is also arranged in a ring topology the resulting architecture of cell with  
690 attached machines is a connection of rings.

691 To even improve availability of the connection from the production cell into the machines this link  
692 can be arranged redundantly as well (machine 1 in Figure 28):

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Figure 28 – connection of rings

695 Requirement:

696 Support redundant topologies with rings.

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698 Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

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## 701 2.5.2 Use case 08: High Availability

702 High availability systems are composed of:

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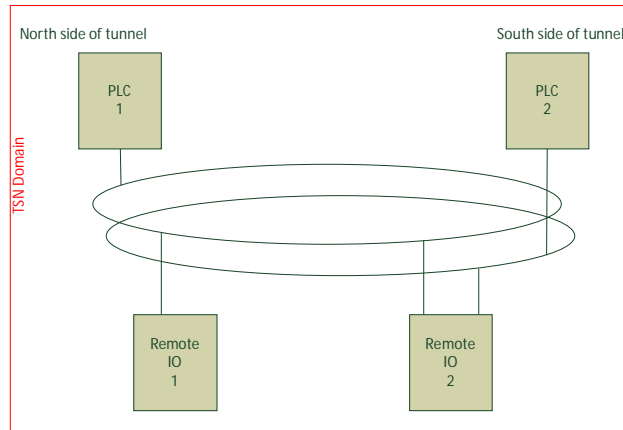
- Redundant networks, and
- Redundant stations.

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705 E.g. tunnel control:

706 Tunnels need to be controlled by systems supporting high availability because airflow and fire  
 707 protection are crucial for the protection of people's lives. In this case PLC, remote IO and network  
 708 are installed to support availability in case of failure.

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710 **Figure 29 – example topology for tunnel control**

711 Requirement:

712 Failure shall not create process disturbance – e.g. keep air flow active / fire control active.  
 713 The number of concurrent active failures without process disturbance depends on the application  
 714 requirements and shall not be restricted by TSN profile definitions.  
 715 Parameter, program, topology changes need to be supported without disturbance.

716 Useful 802.1Q mechanisms:

- 718 . Redundancy for PLCs, Remote IOs and paths through the network
- 719 . ...

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721 Further high availability control applications:

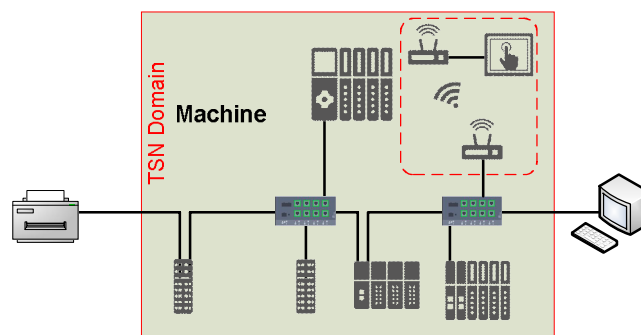
- 722 . Ship control
- 723 . Power generation
- 724 . Power distribution
- 725 . ...

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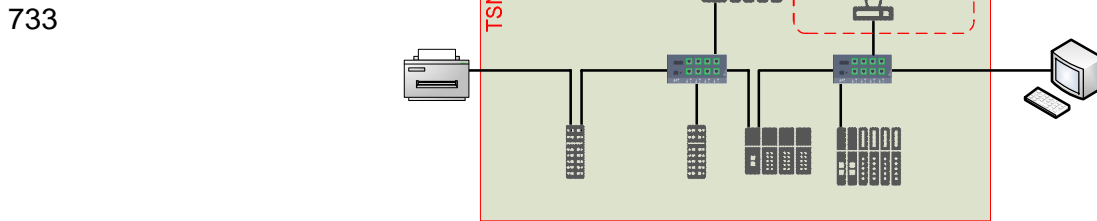
### 727 2.5.3 Use case 09: Wireless

728 HMI panels, remote IOs, wireless sensors or wireless bridges are often used in industrial  
 729 machines. Wireless connections may be based on IEEE 802.11 (Wi-Fi), IEEE 802.15.1 (Bluetooth),  
 730 IEEE 802.15.4 or 5G.

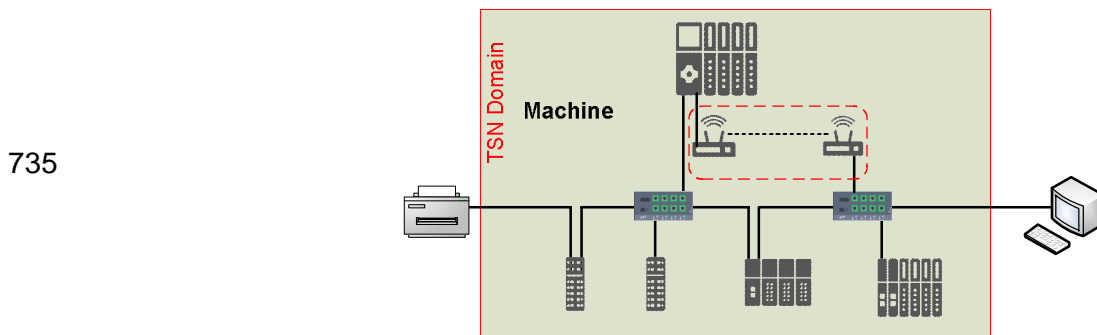
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732 **Figure 30 – HMI wireless connected using cyclic real-time**



734 **Figure 31 – Remote IO wireless connected using cyclic real-time**



736 **Figure 32 – Ring segment wireless connected for media redundancy**

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- 738 Requirement:
- 739 Support of wireless for
- 740 . cyclic real-time, and
  - 741 . non-real-time communication

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- 743 Useful 802.11 mechanisms:
- 744 . Synchronization support
  - 745 . Extensions from .11ax
  - 746 . ...

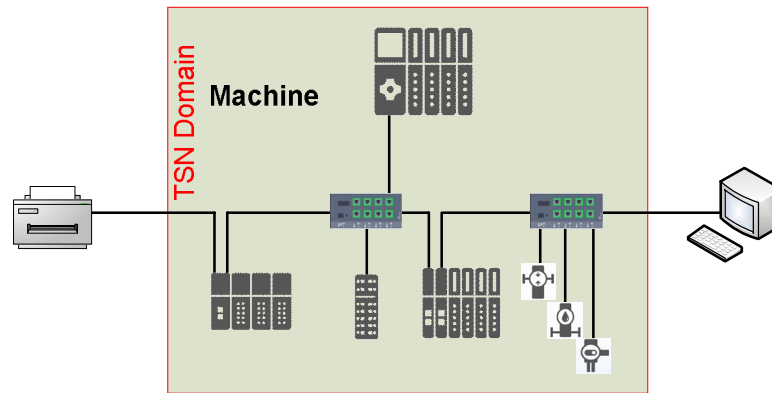
- 747
- 748 Useful 802.15.1 mechanisms:
- 749 . ...

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- 751 Useful 802.1Q mechanisms:
- 752 . ...

754 **2.5.4 Use case 10: 10 Mbit/s end-stations (Ethernet sensors)**

755 Simple and cheap sensor end-stations are directly attached via 10 Mbit/s links to the machine  
 756 internal Ethernet and implement cyclic real-time communication with the PLC.

757 The support of additional physics like “IEEE 802.3cg APL support” is intended.  
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**Figure 33 – Ethernet sensors**

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Requirement:

762 Support of 10 Mbit/s or higher link speed attached sensors (end-stations) together with POE and  
763 SPE (single pair Ethernet).

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Useful 802.1Q mechanisms:

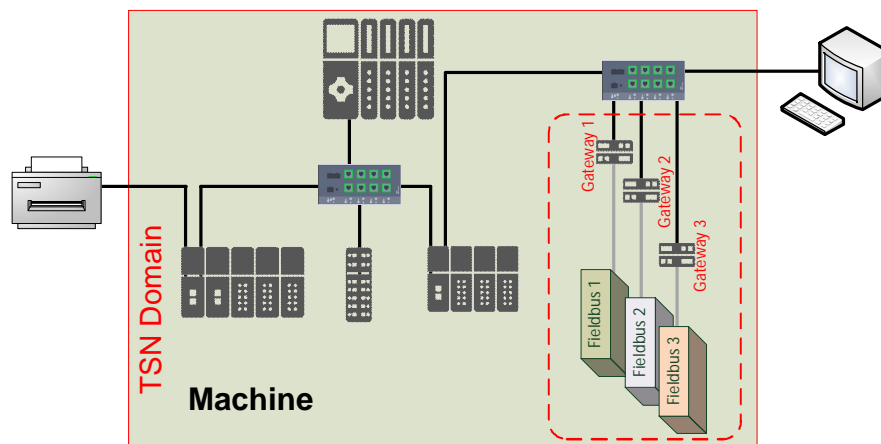
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767 [2.5.5 Use case 11: Fieldbus gateway](#)

768 Gateways are used to integrate non-Ethernet and Ethernet-based fieldbuses into TSN domains.  
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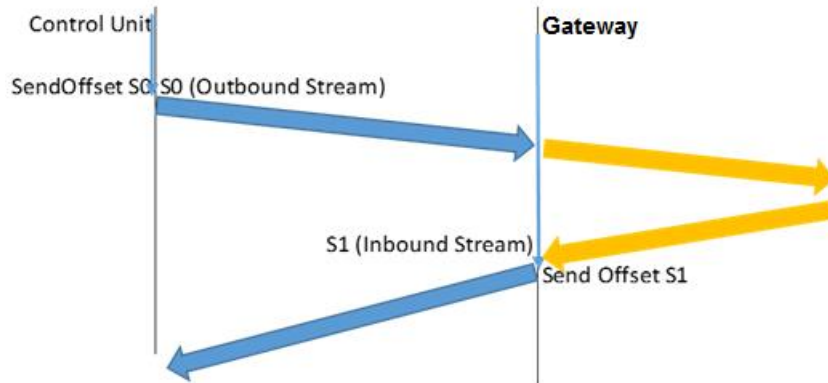
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**Figure 34 – fieldbus gateways**

772 Many systems have at least one merging unit (e.g gateway, multiplexer) between the sensors and  
773 actuators assigned to a single machine control unit. The clustering is typically done with some  
774 infrastructure elements (slices) that require a backplane communication. The fieldbus  
775 communication is in many cases the third level of communication. Thus, it is assumed that TSN is  
776 not the first communication network between the sensors/actuators and a machine control unit.  
777 This means that TSN should be capable to adapt an existing communication infrastructure  
778 regardless of the size of those networks. The TSN subnetworks have their own timing constraints.  
779 A machine level network may take into account that the lower level networks have their own local

780 timing. The timing of a TSN network has impact to sub-ordinated structures. An optimal timing  
 781 requires taking into account the gateway behavior for the TSN configuration (see Figure 35).



783 **Figure 35 – Embedded non TSN communication**

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 785 Requirement:

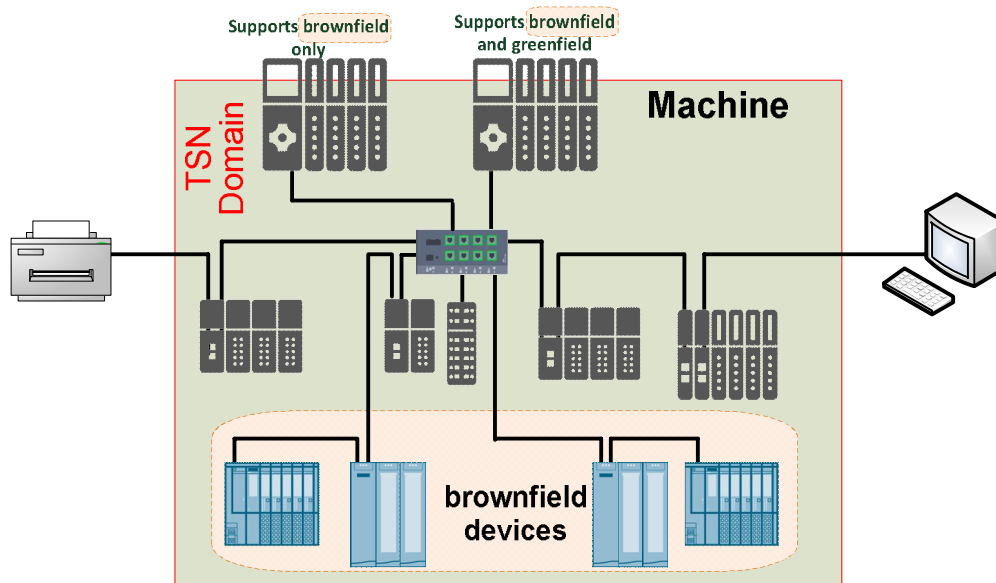
- 786 · Support of non-Ethernet and Ethernet-based fieldbus devices via gateways either
- 787 transparent or hidden;
- 788 · TSN scheduling may need configuration to meet the requirements of subordinate systems;

789 Useful 802.1Q mechanisms:

- 790 · ...

793 **2.5.6 Use case 12: New machine with brownfield devices**

794 Brownfield devices with real-time communication are attached to a PLC, which supports both  
 795 brownfield and greenfield, within a machine. This allows faster deployment of devices supporting  
 796 the TSN-IA profile into the field. Figure 36 gives an example of a machine with brownfield devices.  
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 799 **Figure 36 – new machine with brownfield devices**

800 Requirement:  
 801 All machine internal stream traffic communication (stream traffic and non-stream traffic) is  
 802 decoupled from and protected against the brownfield cyclic real-time traffic.  
 803 Brownfield cyclic real-time traffic QoS is preserved within the TSN domain.

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 805  
 806 Useful 802.1Q mechanisms:

- 807 · Priority Regeneration,
- 808 · separate "brownfield traffic queue".
- 809 · Queue-based resource allocation.

### 810 2.5.7 Use case 13: Mixed link speeds

811 Industrial use cases refer to link speeds, as shown in [Table 9](#), in the range from 10 Mbit/s to  
 812 10 GBit/s for Ethernet and additional Wi-Fi, Bluetooth and 5G. Thus, the TSN domains need to  
 813 handle areas with different link speeds.

814 **Table 9 – Link speeds**

Link speed	Media	Comments
100 kbit/s – 3 Mbit/s	Radio Bluetooth	These devices are connected thru a Bluetooth access point. They may be battery powered.
1 Mbit/s – 1 Gbit/s	Radio Wi-Fi	These devices are connected thru a Wi-Fi access point. They may be battery powered.
1 Mbit/s – 10 Gbit/s (theoretical/expected)	Radio 5G	These devices are connected thru a 5G access point. They may be battery powered.
10 Mbit/s	Copper or fiber	May be used for end station "only" devices connected as leaves to the domain. Dedicated to low performance and lowest energy devices for e.g. process automation. These devices may use PoE as power supply.
100 MBit/s	Copper or fiber	Historical mainly used for Remote IO and PLCs. Expected to be replaced by 1 GBit/s as common link speed.
1 GBit/s	Copper or fiber	Main used link speed for all kind of devices
2,5 GBit/s	Copper or fiber	High performance devices or backbone usage
5 GBit/s	Copper or fiber	Backbone usage, mainly for network components
10 GBit/s	Fiber	Backbone usage, mainly for network components
25 GBit/s – 1 Tbit/s	tbd	Backbone usage, mainly for network components

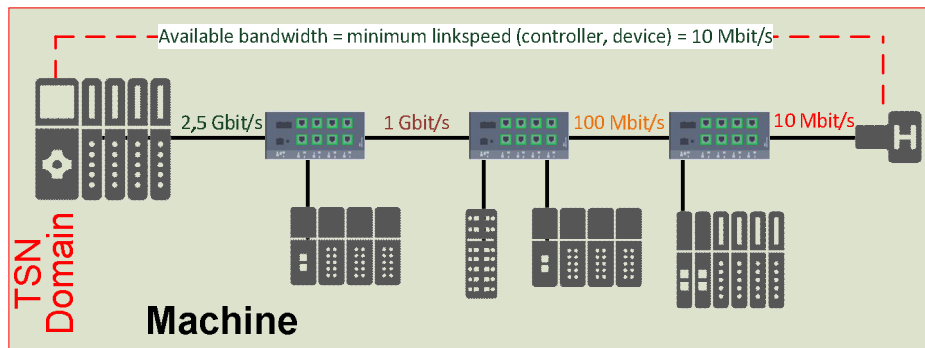
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816 | Mixing devices with different link speeds is a non-trivial task. [Figure 37](#) and [Figure 38](#) show the  
 817 calculation model for the communication between an IOC and an IOD connected with different link  
 818 speeds.

819 The available bandwidth on a communication path is determined by the path segment with the  
 820 minimum link speed.

821 The weakest link of the path defines the usable bandwidth. If the topology guideline ensures that the  
 822 connection to the end-station always is the weakest link, only these links need to be checked for the  
 823 usable bandwidth.

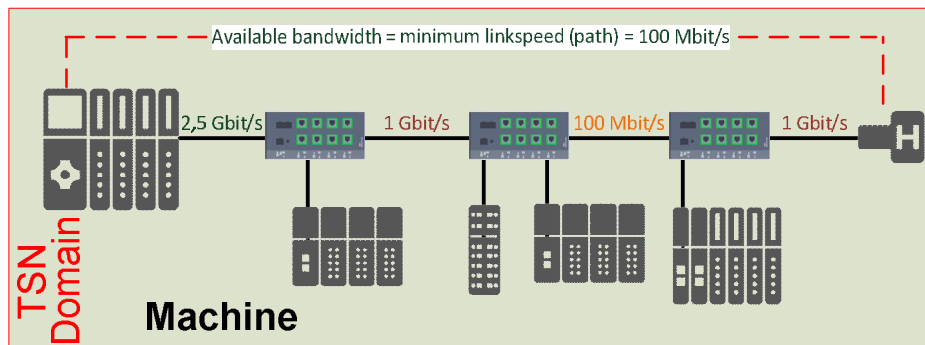
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Figure 37 – mixed link speeds

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Figure 38 – mixed link speeds without topology guideline

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Requirement:

829 | Links with different link speeds as shown in [Figure 37](#) share the same TSN-IA profile based  
 830 | communication system at the same time.

831 | Links with different link speeds without topology guideline ([Figure 38](#)) may be supported.

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Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

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## 2.5.8 Use case 14: Multiple isochronous domains

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837 | [Figure 39](#) shows a machine which needs due to timing constraints (network cycle time together  
 838 | with required topology) two or more separated isochronous real-time domains but shares a  
 common cyclic real-time domain.

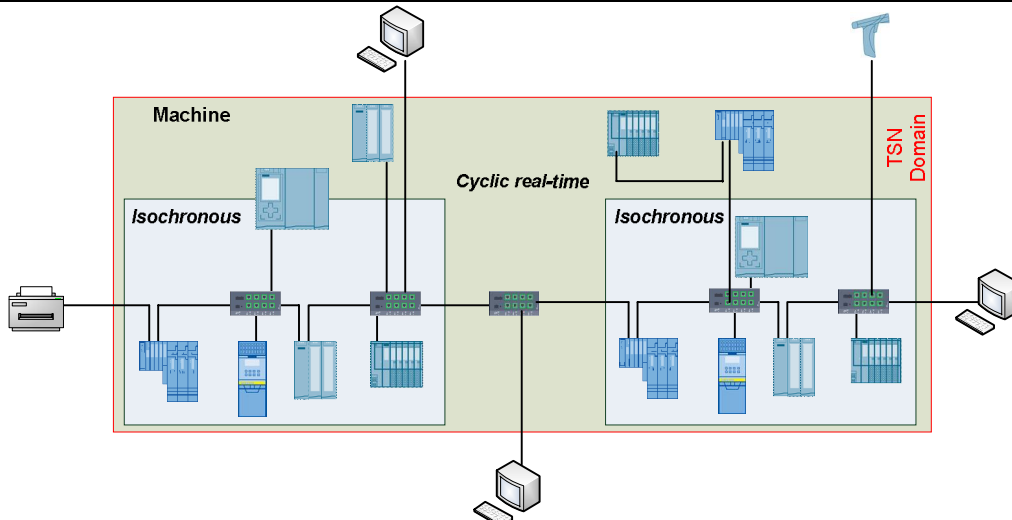
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Both isochronous domains may have their own Working Clock and network cycle. The PLCs need to share remote IOs using cyclic real-time traffic.



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**Figure 39 – multiple isochronous domains**

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Some kind of coupling (e.g. shared synchronization) between the isochronous domains / Working Clocks may be used (see [Figure 40](#)).

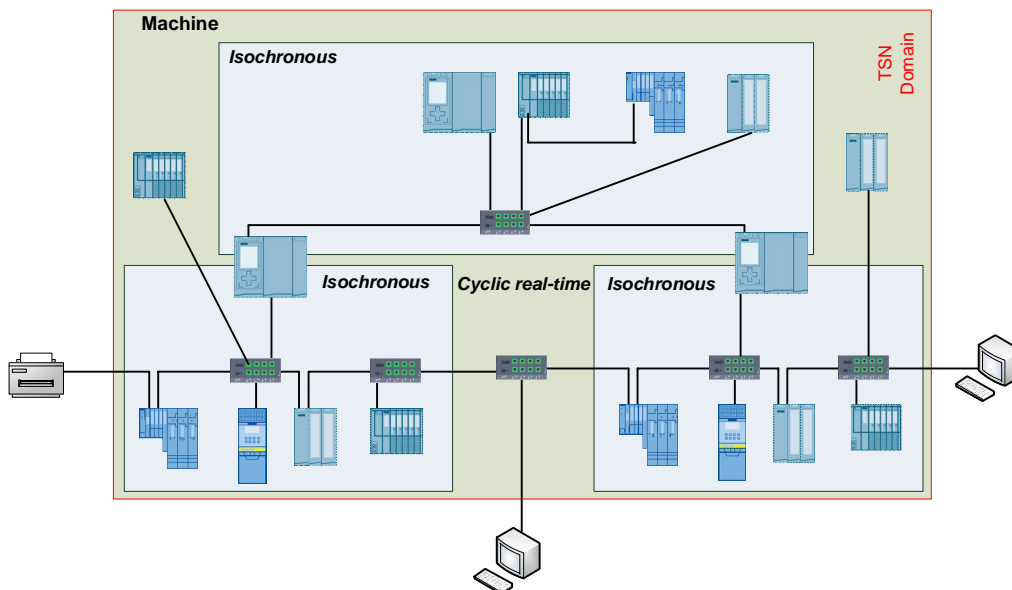
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All isochronous domains may have different network cycle times, but the cyclic real-time data exchange shall still be possible for PLCs from both isochronous domains.

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**Figure 40 – multiple isochronous domains - coupled**

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Requirements:

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All isochronous real-time domains may run independently, loosely coupled or tightly coupled. They shall be able to share a cyclic real-time domain.

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Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

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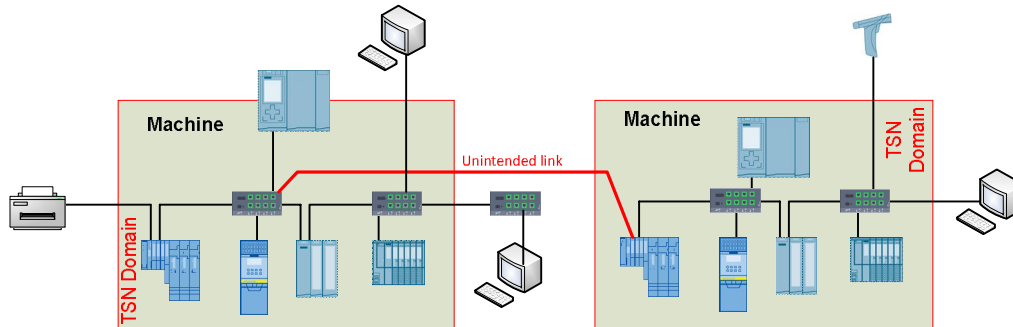
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- separate “isochronous” and “cyclic” traffic queues,
- Queue-based resource allocation in all bridges,
- ...

## 858 2.5.9 Use case 15: Auto domain protection

859 Machines are built in a way that not always all devices are really attached either due to different  
 860 machine models/variants or repair. In this use case a TSN domain shall not expand automatically  
 861 when e.g. two machines get connected via an unplanned and unintended link.

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864 **Figure 41 – auto domain protection**865 Requirement:

866 Support of auto domain protection to prevent unintended use of traffic classes

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868 Useful 802.1Q mechanisms:

869 . Priority regeneration

870 . ...

## 871 2.5.10 Use case 16: Vast number of connected stations

872 Some industrial applications need a massive amount of connected stations like

- 873 - Car production sites
- 874 - Postal, Parcel and Airport Logistics
- 875 - ...

## 876 Examples for “Airport Logistics”:

- 877 . Incheon International Airport, South Korea
- 878 . Guangzhou Baiyun International Airport, China
- 879 . London Heathrow Airport, United Kingdom
- 880 . Dubai International Airport, UAE
- 881 . ...

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883 Dubai International Airport, UAE

884 Technical Data:

- 885 . 100 km conveyor length
- 886 . 222 check-in counters
- 887 . car park check-in facilities
- 888 . Max. tray speed: 7.5 m/s
- 889 . 49 make-up carousels
- 890 . 14 baggage claim carousels
- 891 . 24 transfer laterals
- 892 . Storage for 9,800 Early Bags
- 893 . Employing 48 inline screening
- 894 . Max. 8-stories rack system

- 895 . 10,500 ton steel
- 896 . 234 PLC's
- 897 . 16,500 geared drives
- 898 . [xxxx digital IOs]

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#### Requirement:

901 Make sure that even this massive amount of stations works together with the TSN-IA profile. This  
902 kind of applications may or may not require wireless support, too.

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#### Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

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### 906 2.5.11 Minimum required quantities

#### 907 2.5.11.1 A representative example for VLAN requirements

908 **Figure 42** shows the IEEE 802.1Q based stacked physical, logical and active topology model. This  
909 principle is used to build TSN domains.

910 It shows the different active topologies driven by either VID (identified by VLAN) or protocol  
911 (identified by DA-MAC and/or protocol type).

912 Additionally the number of to be supported VIDs per bridge is shown. The number of protocol agent  
913 defined active topologies is just an example because e.g. LLDP, RSTP or MST is missing.

914 The following topologies, trees and VLANs are shown in **Figure 42**.

<	Physical network topology	all existing devices and links
⊞	Logical network topology	<b>TSN domain:</b> administrative selection of elements from the physical topology
•	Active default topology	Default VLAN: result of a spanning tree algorithm (e.g. RSTP)
Ž	Cyclic RT	VLAN for cyclic rea-time streams
•	Cyclic RT „R”	VLAN for redundant cyclic rea-time streams
•	Isochronous cyclic RT 1	VLAN for isochronous cyclic rea-time streams
'	Isochronous cyclic RT 1 „R”	VLAN for redundant isochronous cyclic rea-time streams
'	Isochronous cyclic RT 2 <sup>4</sup>	VLAN for isochronous cyclic rea-time streams
"	Working clock	gPTP sync tree used for the synchronization of a working clock
"	Working clock „R”	Hot standby gPTP sync tree used for the synchronization of a working clock
⊞<	Universal time	gPTP sync tree used for the synchronization of universal time

<sup>4</sup> The isochronous cyclic RT 2 „R” is not applied in this example but can be made available additionally

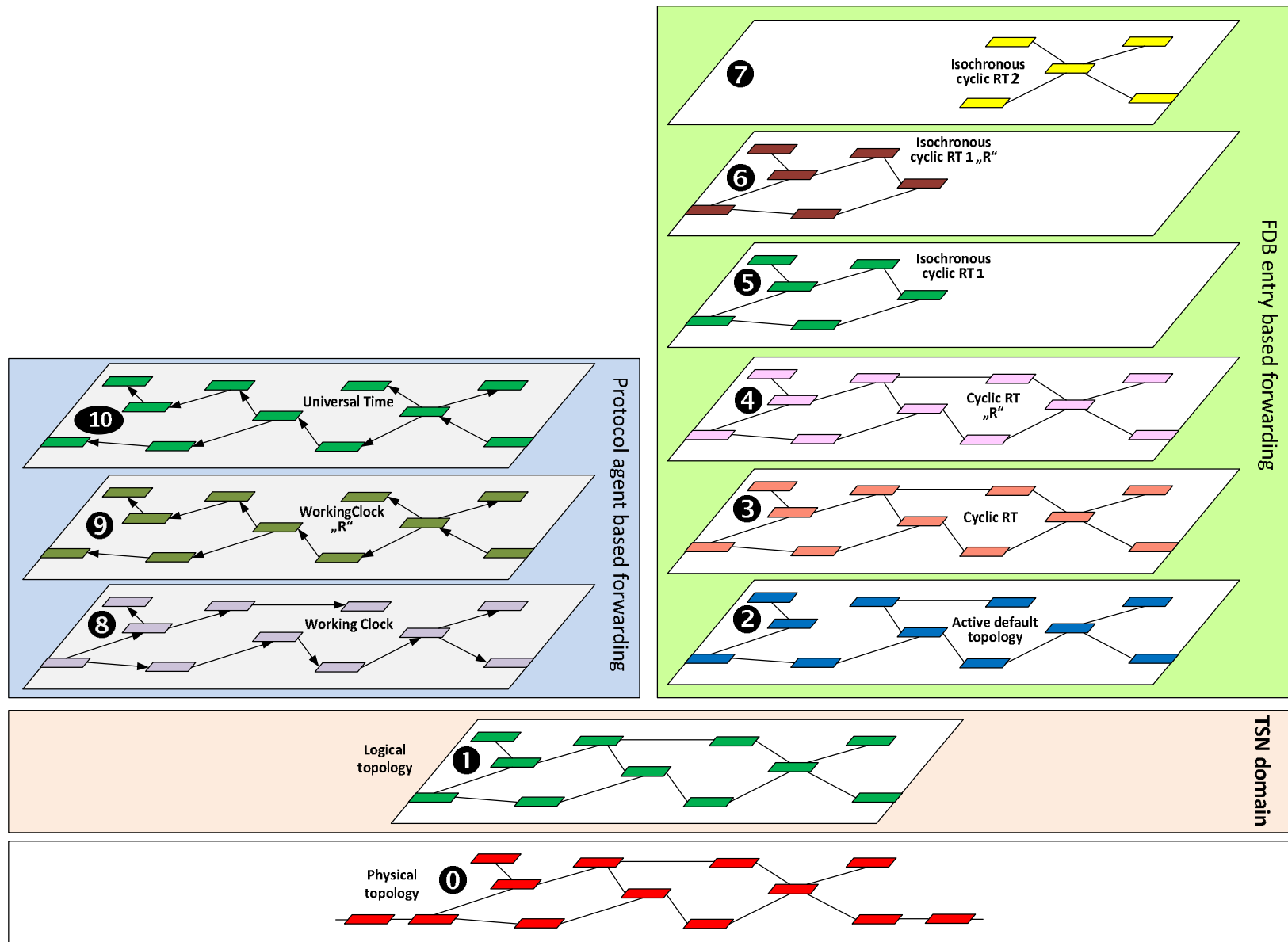


Figure 42 – Topologies, trees and VLANs

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918 Expected numbers of DA-MAC address entries used together with five VLANs (Default, High, High  
 919 Redundant, Low and Low Redundant) are shown in [Table 10](#) and [Table 11](#).

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**Table 10 – Expected number of stream FDB entries**

# of VLANs	# of DA-MACs	Usage
4	4 096	Numbers of DA-MAC address entries used together with four VLANs (High, High Red, Low and Low Red)

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922 Expected number of entries is given by the maximum device count of 1 024 together with the 50%  
 923 saturation due to hash usage rule.

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[Table 11](#) shows the expected number of possible FDB entries.

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**Table 11 – Expected number of non-stream FDB entries**

# of VLANs	# of entries	Usage
1	2 048	Learned and static entries for both, Unicast and Multicast

926

927 The hash based FDBs shall support a neighborhood for entries according to [Table 12](#).

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**Table 12 – Neighborhood for hashed entries**

Neighborhood	Usage
4	Optional A neighborhood of four entries is used to store a learned entry if the hashed entry is already used. A neighborhood of four entries for the hashed index is check to find or update an already learned forwarding rule.
8	Default A neighborhood of eight entries is used to store a learned entry if the hashed entry is already used. A neighborhood of eight entries for the hashed index is check to find or update an already learned forwarding rule.
16	Optional A neighborhood of sixteen entries is used to store a learned entry if the hashed entry is already used. A neighborhood of sixteen entries for the hashed index is check to find or update an already learned forwarding rule.

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### 930 [2.5.11.2 A representative example for data flow requirements](#)

931 TSN domains in an industrial automation network for cyclic real-time traffic can span multiple  
 932 Cyber-physical systems, which are connected by bridges. The following maximum quantities apply:

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- Stations: 1024

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- Network diameter: 64

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- per PLC for Controller-to-Device (C2D) – one to one or one to many – communication:

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- o 512 producer and 512 consumer data flows

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- o 64 kByte Output und 64 kByte Input data

- 938 - per Device for Device-to-Device (D2D) – one to one or one to many – communication:
- 939     o 2 producer and 2 consumer data flows
- 940     o 1400 Byte per data flow
- 941 - per PLC for Controller-to-Controller (C2C) – one to one or one to many – communication:
- 942     o 64 producer and 64 consumer data flows
- 943     o 1400 Byte per data flow
- 944 - Example calculation for eight PLCs
- 945     →  $8 \times 512 \times 2 = 8192$  data flows for C2D communication
- 946     →  $8 \times 64 \times 2 = 1024$  data flows for C2C communication
- 947     →  $8 \times 64 \text{ kByte} \times 2 = 1024 \text{ kByte}$  data for C2D communication
- 948     →  $8 \times 64 \times 1400 \text{ Byte} \times 2 = 1400 \text{ kByte}$  data for C2C communication
- 949 - All above shown data flows may optionally be redundant for seamless switchover due to the
- 950 need for High Availability.
- 951

952 Application cycle times for the 512 producer and 512 consumer data flows differ and follow the

953 application process requirements.

954 E.g. 125  $\mu\text{s}$  for those used for control loops and 500  $\mu\text{s}$  to 512 ms for other application processes.

955 All may be used concurrently and may have frames sizes between 1 and 1440 bytes.

### 956 2.5.11.3 A representative example of communication use cases

957 IO Station – Controller (input direction)

- 958 - Up to 2000 published + subscribed signals (typically 100 – 500)
- 959 - Scan interval time: 0,5 ..100ms (typical 10ms)

960 Controller – Controller (inter-application)

- 961 - Up to 1000 published + subscribed signals (typically 100 – 250)
- 962 - Application task interval time: 10..1000ms (typical 100ms)
- 963 - Resulting Scan interval time: 5 ... 500 ms

964 Closing the loop within/across the controller

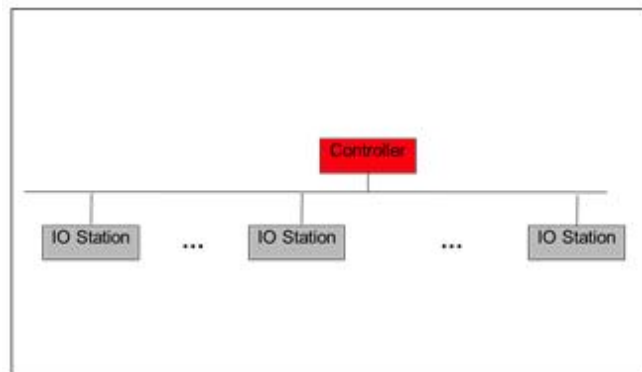
- 965 - Up to 2000 published + subscribed signals (typically 100 – 500)
- 966 - Application task interval time: 1..1000ms (typical 100ms)
- 967 - Resulting Scan interval time when spreading over controllers: 0,5 ... 500 ms

968 Controller – IO Station (output direction)

- 969 - Up to 2000 published + subscribed signals (typically 100 – 500)
- 970 - Application task interval time: 10..1000ms (typical 100ms)
- 971 - Resulting Scan interval time: 5 ... 500 ms
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### 973 2.5.11.4 "Fast" process applications

974 The structure shown in [Figure 1](#) applies. [Figure 43](#) provides a logic station view.



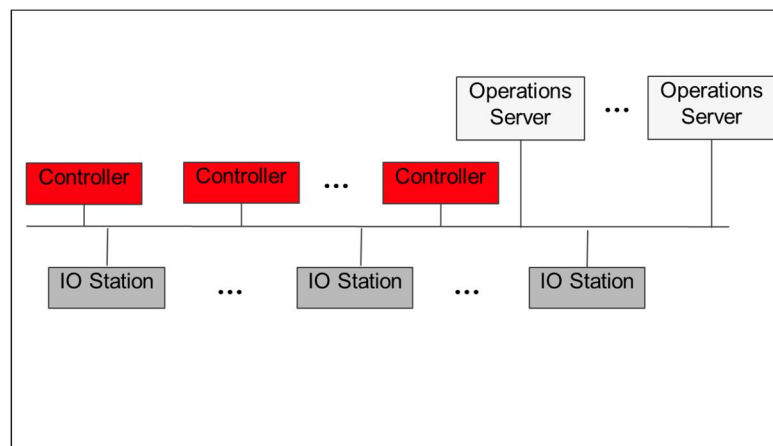
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**Figure 43 – Logical communication concept for fast process applications**

977 Specifics:

- 978 – Limited number of nodes communicating with one Controller (e.g. Turbine Control)
- 979 – Up to a dozen Nodes of which typically one is a controller
- 980 – Data subscriptions (horizontal):
- 981 § 270 bytes published + subscribed per IO-station
- 982 § Scan Interval time 0,5 to 2 ms
- 983 – Physical Topology: Redundant (as path and as device)
- 984

985 [2.5.11.5 Server consolidation](#)986 The structure shown in [Figure 1](#) applies. [Figure 44](#) provides a logic station view.

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**Figure 44 – Server consolidated logical connectivity**

990 Data access to Operations Functionalities consolidated through Servers

- 991 – Up to 100 Nodes in total
- 992 – Out which are up to 25 Servers
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994 Data subscriptions (vertical):

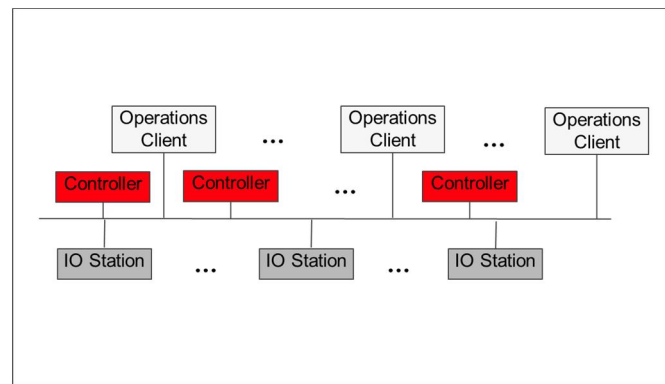
- 995 - Each station connected to at least 1 Server  
 996 - max. 20000 subscribed items per Controller/IO-station  
 997 - 1s update rate  
 998 - 50% analog items -> 30% change every sec  
 999

1000 Different physical topologies

- 1001 - Rings, stars, redundancy  
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1003 [2.5.11.6 Direct client access](#)

1004 The structure shown in [Figure 1](#) applies. [Figure 45](#) provides a logic station view.



1005  
 1006 **Figure 45 – Clients logical connectivity view**

1007 Data access to Operations Functionalities directly by Clients

- 1008 - Max 20 direct access clients  
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1010 Data subscriptions (vertical):

- 1011 - Up to 3000 subscribed items per client  
 1012 - 1s update rate  
 1013 - Worst case 60000 items/second per controller in classical Client/Server setup  
 1014 - 50% analog items -> 30% change every sec  
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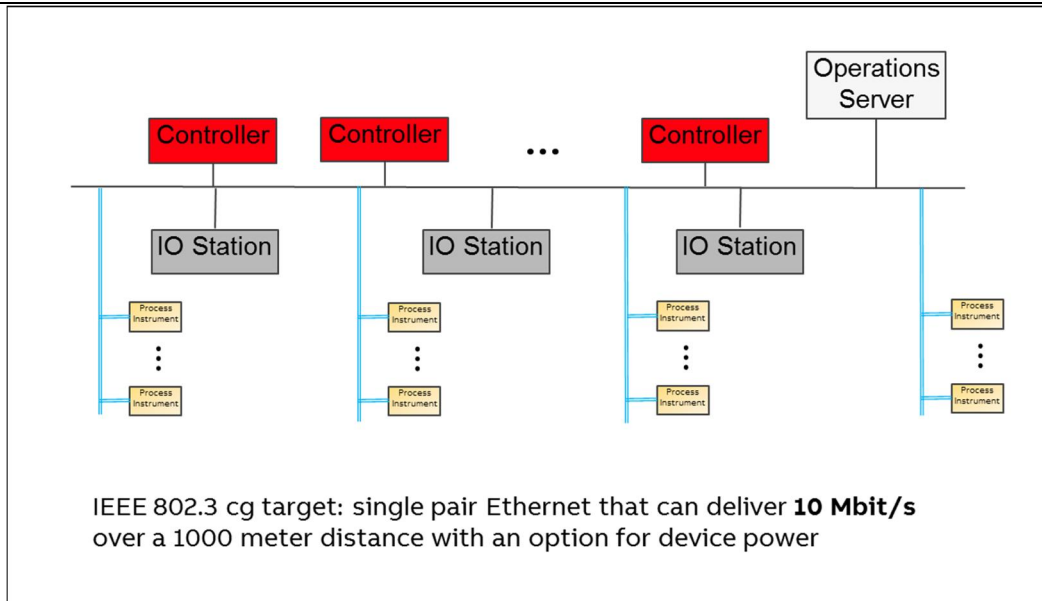
1016 Different physical topologies

- 1017 - Rings, stars, redundancy  
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1019 [2.5.11.7 Field devices](#)

1020 The structure shown in [Figure 1](#) applies. [Figure 46](#) provides a logic station view.





**Figure 46 – Field devices with 10Mbit/s**

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1024 Field Networks integrated with converged network

- 1025 – Up to 50 devices per field segment
- 1026 – Scan interval 50ms ... 1s, typical 250ms
- 1027 – Mix of different device types from different vendors
- 1028 – Many changes during runtime

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### 1030 2.5.12 Bridge Resources

1031 The bridge shall provide and organize its resources in a way to ensure robustness for the traffic  
1032 defined in this document as shown in Formula [1].

1033 The queuing of frames needs resources to store them at the destination port. These resources may  
1034 be organized either bridge globally, port globally or queue locally.

1035 The chosen resource organization model influences the needed amount of frame resources.

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1037 For bridge memory calculation Formula [1] applies.

$$\text{MinimumFrameMemory} = (\text{NumberOfPorts} - 1) \times \text{MaxPortBlockingTime} \times \text{Linkspeed} \quad (1)$$

Where

<i>MinimumFrameMemory</i>	is minimum amount of frame buffer needed to avoid frame loss from non stream traffic due to streams blocking egress ports.
<i>NumberOfPorts</i>	is number of ports of the bridge without the management port.
<i>MaxPortBlockingTime</i>	is intended maximum blocking time of ports due to streams per millisecond.
<i>Linkspeed</i>	is intended link speed of the ports.

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1039 Formula [1] assumes that all ports use the same link speed and a bridge global frame resource  
1040 management. Table 13, Table 14, Table 15, and Table 16 shows the resulting values for different  
1041 link speeds.

1042 The traffic from the management port to the network needs a fair share of the bridge resources to  
 1043 ensure the required injection performance into the network. This memory (use for the real-time  
 1044 frames) is not covered by this calculation.

1045 **Table 13 – MinimumFrameMemory for 100 Mbit/s (50%@1 ms)**

# of ports	MinimumFrameMemory [KBytes]	Comment
1	0	The memory at the management port is not covered by Formula [1]
2	6,25	All frames received during the 50%@1 ms := 500 $\mu$ s at one port needed to be forwarded to the other port are stored during the allocation of this port due to stream transmission.
3	12,5	All frames received during the 50%@1 ms := 500 $\mu$ s at two ports needed to be forwarded to the other port are stored during the allocation of this port due to stream transmission.
4	18,75	All frames received during the 50%@1 ms := 500 $\mu$ s at three ports needed to be forwarded to the other port are stored during the allocation of this port due to stream transmission.
other	tbd	tbd

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1047 **Table 14 – MinimumFrameMemory for 1 Gbit/s (20%@1 ms)**

# of ports	MinimumFrameMemory [KBytes]	Comment
1	0	The memory at the management port is not covered by Formula [1]
2	25	All frames received during the 20%@1 ms := 200 $\mu$ s at one port needed to be forwarded to the other port are stored during the allocation of this port due to stream transmission.
3	50	All frames received during the 20%@1 ms := 200 $\mu$ s at two ports needed to be forwarded to the other port are stored during the allocation of this port due to stream transmission.
4	75	All frames received during the 20%@1 ms := 200 $\mu$ s at three ports needed to be forwarded to the other port are stored during the allocation of this port due to stream transmission.
other	tbd	tbd

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1049 **Table 15 – MinimumFrameMemory for 2,5 Gbit/s (10%@1 ms)**

# of ports	MinimumFrameMemory [KBytes]	Comment
1	0	The memory at the management port is not covered by Formula [1]
2	31,25	All frames received during the 10%@1 ms := 100 $\mu$ s at one port needed to be forwarded to the other port are stored during the allocation of this port due to stream transmission.
3	62,5	All frames received during the 10%@1 ms := 100 $\mu$ s at two ports needed to be forwarded to the other port are stored during the allocation of this port due to stream transmission.
4	93,75	All frames received during the 10%@1 ms := 100 $\mu$ s at three ports needed to be forwarded to the other port are stored during the allocation of this port due to stream transmission.
other	tbd	tbd

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**Table 16 – MinimumFrameMemory for 10 Gbit/s (5%@1 ms)**

# of ports	MinimumFrameMemory [KBytes]	Comment
1	0	The memory at the management port is not covered by Formula [1]
2	62,5	All frames received during the 5%@1 ms := 50 μs at one port needed to be forwarded to the other port are stored during the allocation of this port due to stream transmission.
3	125	All frames received during the 5%@1 ms := 50 μs at two ports needed to be forwarded to the other port are stored during the allocation of this port due to stream transmission.
4	187,5	All frames received during the 5%@1 ms := 50 μs at three ports needed to be forwarded to the other port are stored during the allocation of this port due to stream transmission.
other	tbd	tbd

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A per port frame resource management leads to the same values, but reduces the flexibility to use free frame resources for other ports.

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A per queue per port frame resource management would increase (multiplied by the number of to be covered queues) the needed amount of frame resources dramatically almost without any benefit.

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Example “per port frame resource”:

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100 Mbit/s, 2 Ports, and 6 queues

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Needed memory := 6,25 KOctets \* 6 := 37,5 KOctets.

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No one is able to define which queue is needed during the “stream port blocking” period.

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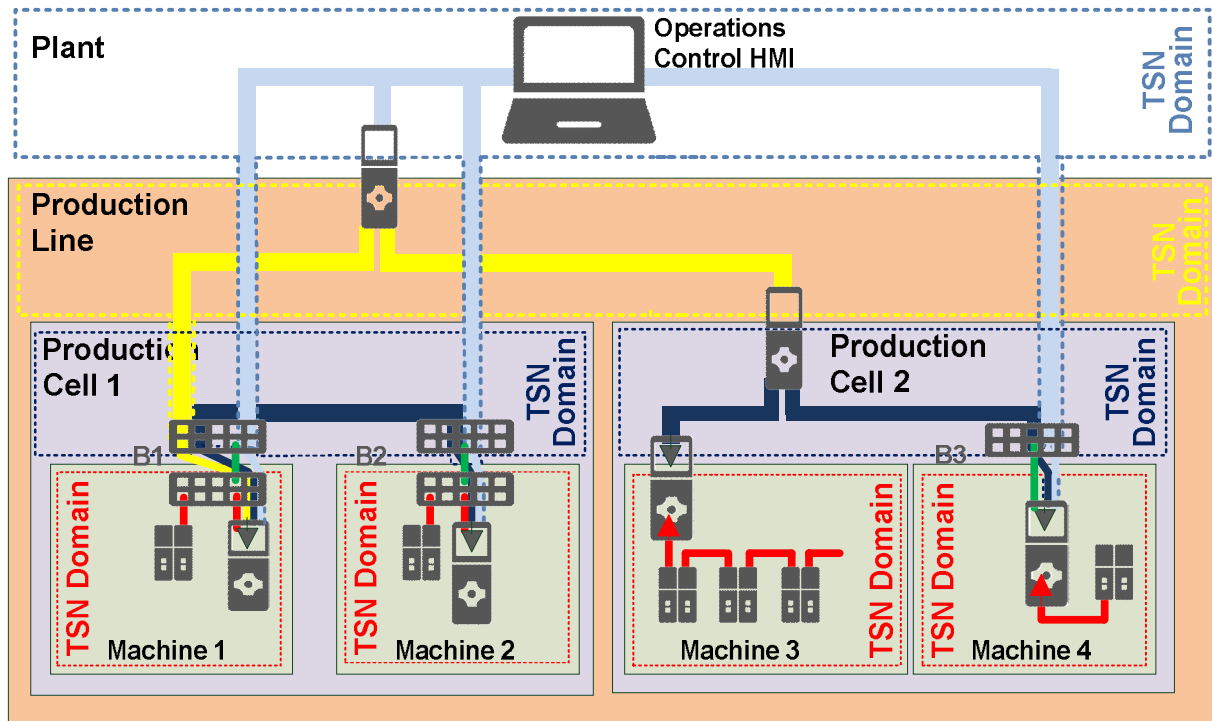
Bridged End-Station need to ensure that their local injected traffic does not overload its local bridge resources. Local network access must conform to the TSN-IA profile defined model with management defined limits and cycle times (see e.g. row Data period in [Table 4](#)).

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## 1066 2.6 Industrial automation machines, production cells, production lines

1067 2.6.1 Use case 17: Machine to Machine/Controller to Controller (M2M/C2C) Communication  
 1068 Preconfigured machines with their own TSN domains, which include tested and approved internal  
 1069 communication, communicate with other preconfigured machines with their own TSN domains, with  
 1070 a supervisory PLC of the production cell (with its own TSN domain) or line (with its own TSN  
 1071 domain) or with an [Operations Control HMI](#) (with its own TSN domain).



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 1073 **Figure 47 – M2M/C2C between TSN domains**

1074 | **Figure 47** shows that multiple overlapping TSN Domains arise, when controllers use a single  
 1075 interface for the M2M communication with controllers of the cell, line, plant or other machines.  
 1076 Decoupling of the machine internal TSN Domain can be accomplished by applying a separate  
 1077 controller interface for M2M communication.

1078 Machine 1: the controller link to its connected cell bridge B1 is concurrently member of the TSN  
 1079 Domains of Machine 1, Production Cell 1, Production Line and Plant.

1080 Machine 2: the controller link to its connected cell bridge B2 is concurrently member of the TSN  
 1081 Domains of Machine 2, Production Cell 1 and Plant.

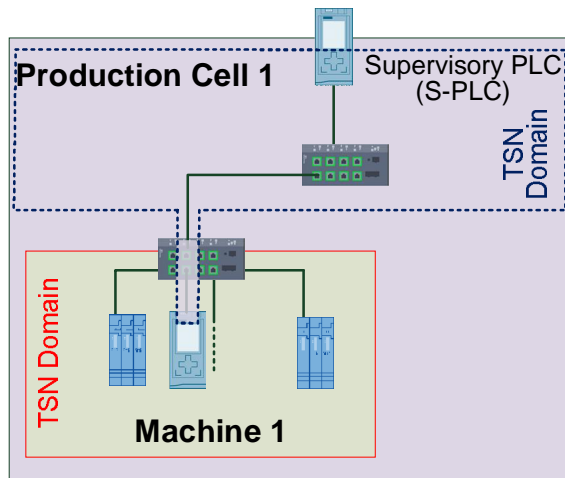
1082 Machine 3: the controller is directly attached to the PLC of Production Cell 2 and is therefore  
 1083 member of the TSN Domain of Production Cell 2. The machine internal TSN Domain is  
 1084 decoupled from M2M traffic by a separate interface.

1085 Machine 4: the controller link to its connected cell bridge B3 is concurrently member of the TSN  
 1086 Domains of Production Cell 2 and Plant. The machine internal TSN Domain is  
 1087 decoupled from M2M traffic by a separate interface.

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1089 Examples:

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**Figure 48 – M2M with supervisory PLC**

Figure 48 gives an example of M2M communication to a supervisory PLC.

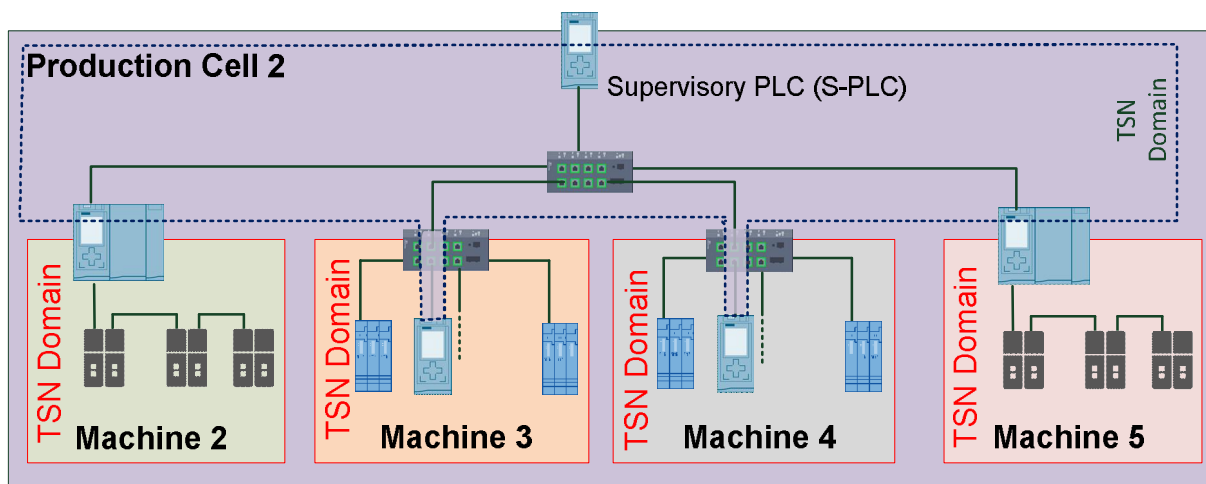
Figure 49 shows an example of M2M communication relations between four machines.

PLCs with one single interface lead to overlapping communication paths of M2M and machine internal traffic. In this case two TSN domains (Machine / Production cell) need to share resources due to two overlapping TSN domains.

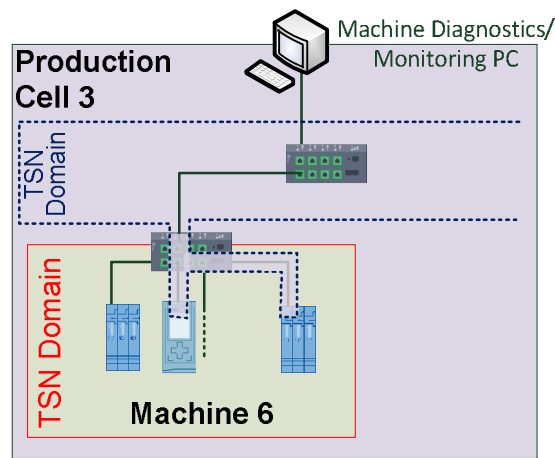
There are quite a few constraints related to the machine internal networks. Each machine may run a different schedule and even the intervals may be different. It may be very complex or even impossible to find an optimal communication schedule down from the sensors and actuators to the cell control. The requirements for cascaded control loops require faster intervals for the lower loops. The multiple machine intervals embedded in one cell interval can be mapped onto a sequence of intervals. Each step in the exchange of data between machine and cell control unit can be mapped into machine intervals:

- outbound cell communication,
- transfer outbound within machine network,
- transfer inbound within machine network,
- inbound cell communication.

Additionally Figure 50 shows an example where M2M communication is used to connect a PC for diagnostics/monitoring.



**Figure 49 – M2M with four machines**



**Figure 50 – M2M with diagnostics/monitoring PC**

1091 | **Figure 50** shows a M2M diagnostics related use case: communication is cyclic and must happen  
 1092 within short application cycle times. An example of this use case is the verification of proper  
 1093 behavior of a follower drive, in a master-follower application. Today, the use case is covered by  
 1094 connecting a common PC to an interface of the follower drive. The various TSN mechanisms may  
 1095 now make it possible to connect such a PC network interface card anywhere in the system network  
 1096 and still gather the same diagnostics with the same guarantees, as the current direct connection.

1097 The required guarantees are:

1098 each 4 ms a frame must be sent from a follower drive and have its delivery guaranteed to the  
 1099 network interface of the PC used to perform the diagnostics. Of course, local PC-level processing  
 1100 of such frames has to be implemented such that the diagnostic application gets the required quality  
 1101 of service.

1102 | From the communication point of view the two types of machine interface shown in **Figure 49** are  
 1103 identical. The PLC represents the machine interface and uses either a dedicated (machine 1 and 4)  
 1104 or a shared interface (machine 2 and 3) for communication with other machines and/or a  
 1105 supervisor PLC.

1106 The communication relations between machines may or may not include or make use of a  
 1107 supervisory PLC.

1108 **Requirement:**

- 1109 · All machine internal communication (stream traffic and non-stream traffic) is decoupled from  
 1110 and protected against the additional M2M traffic and vice versa.
- 1111 · 1:1 and 1:many communication relations shall be possible.
- 1112 | · **Scheduling in a way that interleaved operation with machine intervals is possible.**

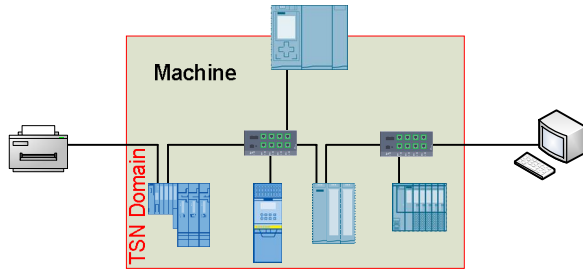
1113 **Useful 802 mechanisms:**

- 1114 · 802.1Qbu, 802.1Qbv, 802.1Qci, Fixed priority, 802.3br
- 1115 · Priority Regeneration,
- 1116 · Queue-based resource allocation,
- 1117 · VLANs to separate TSN domains.

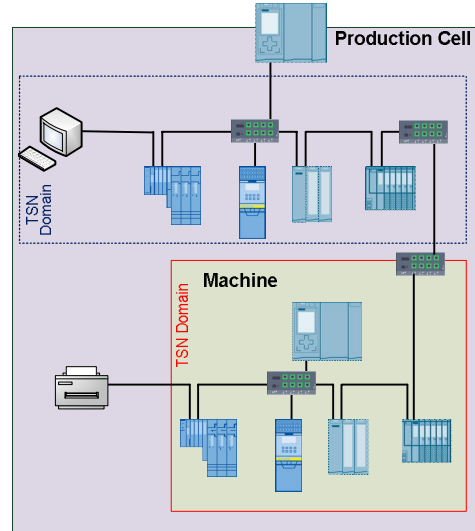
1118 **2.6.2 Use case 18: Pass-through Traffic**

1119 Machines are supplied by machine builders to production cell/line builders in tested and approved  
 1120 quality. At specific boundary ports standard devices (e.g. barcode reader) can be attached to the  
 1121 machines. The machines support transport of non-stream traffic through the tested/approved  
 1122 machine ("pass-through traffic") without influencing the operational behavior of the machine, e.g.

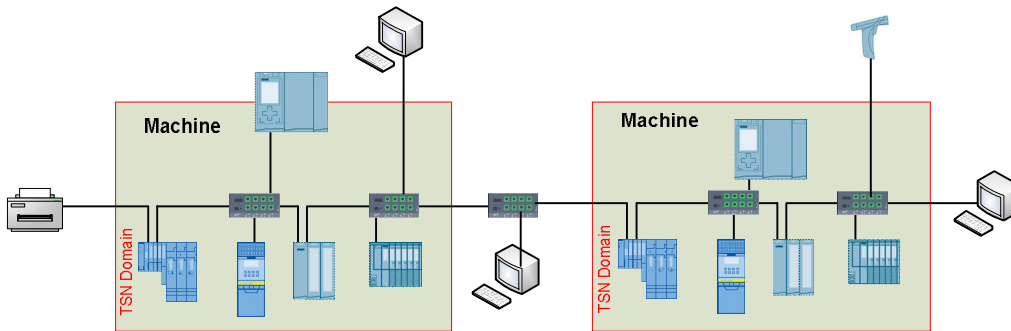
1123 | connection of a printer or barcode reader. **Figure 51**, **Figure 52** and **Figure 53** give some examples  
 1124 | of pass-through traffic installations in industrial automation.



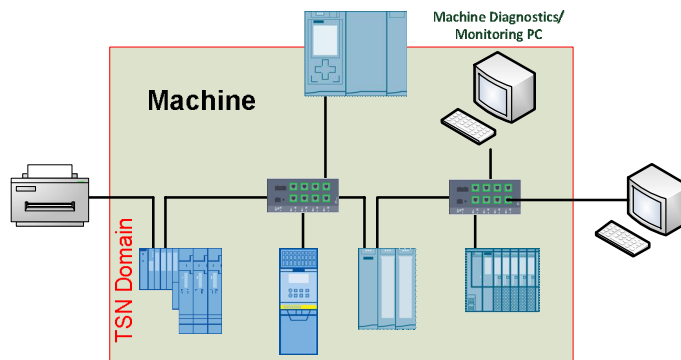
**Figure 51 – pass-through one machine**



**Figure 52 – pass-through one machine and production cell**



**Figure 53 – pass-through two machines**



**Figure 54 – machine with diagnostics / monitoring PC**

1125 | Requirement:  
 1126 | All machine internal communication (stream traffic and non-stream traffic) is decoupled from and  
 1127 | protected against the additional “pass-through” traffic.  
 1128 | “Pass-through” traffic is treated as separate traffic pattern.

1129 | Useful 802.1Q mechanisms:  
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- 1131 | · Priority Regeneration,

- 1132 · separate "pass-through traffic queue",
- 1133 · Queue-based resource allocation in all bridges,
- 1134 · Ingress rate limiting.
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2.6.3 Use case 19: Modular machine assembly

In this use case machines are variable assemblies of multiple different modules. Effective assembly of a machine is executed in the plant dependent on the current stage of production, e.g. bread-machine with the modules: base module, 'Kaisersemmel' module, 'Rosensemmel' module, sesame caster, poppy-seed caster, baking oven OR advertisement feeder for newspapers.

Figure 55 may have relaxed latency requirements, but the machine in Figure 56 needs to work with very high speed and thus has very demanding latency requirements.

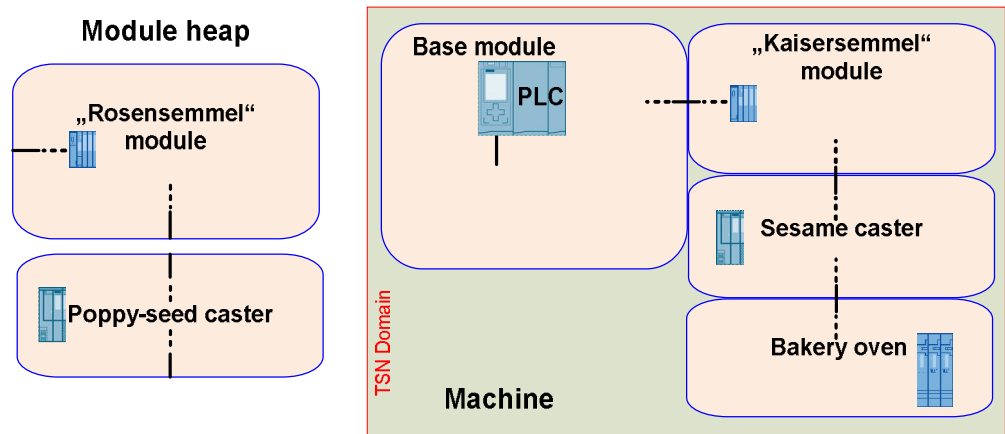


Figure 55 – modular bread-machine

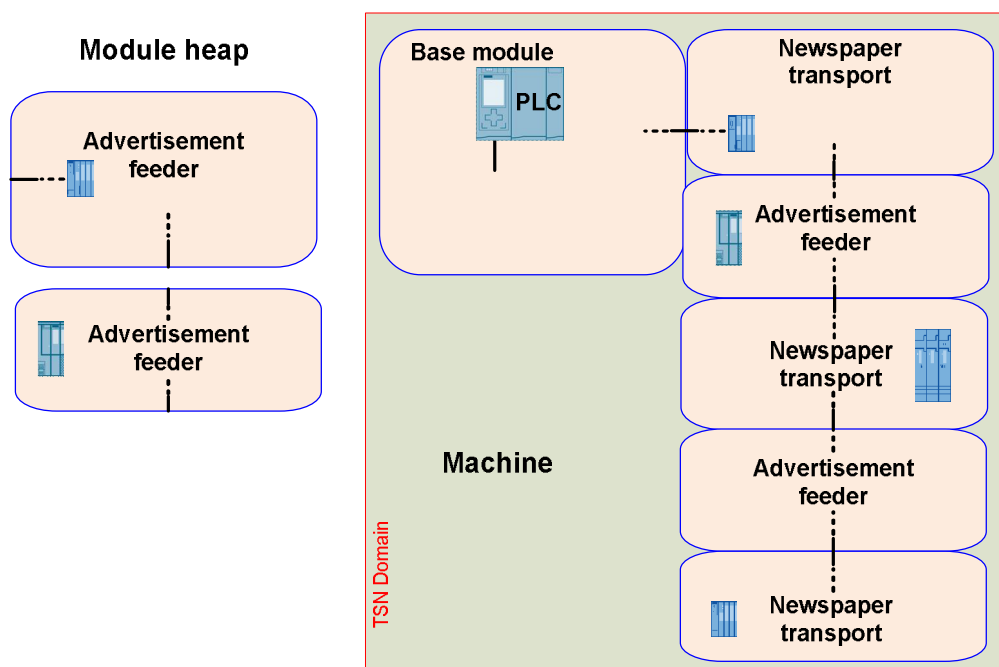


Figure 56 – modular advertisement feeder



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Requirement:

Modules can be assembled to a working machine variably on-site (either in run, stop or power down mode) as necessary (several times throughout a day). The machine produces the selected variety of a product. Communication relying on TSN features is established automatically after the modules are plugged without management/ configuration interaction.

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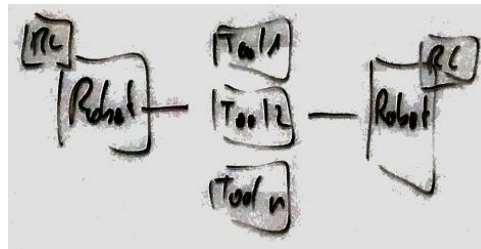
2.6.4 Use case 20: Tool changer

Tools (e.g. different robot arms) are in power off mode. During production a robot changes its arms for different production steps.

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They get mechanically connected to a robot arm and then powered on. The time till operate influences the efficiency of the robot and thus the production capacity of the plant. Robots may share a common tool pool. Thus the “tools” are connected to different robots during different production steps.

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Figure 57 – tool changer

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Requirement:

- Added portion of the network needs to be up and running (power on to operate) in less than 500ms.
- Extending and removing portions of the network (up to 16 devices) in operation
  - by one connection point (one robot using a tool)
  - by multiple connection points (multiple robots using a tool)

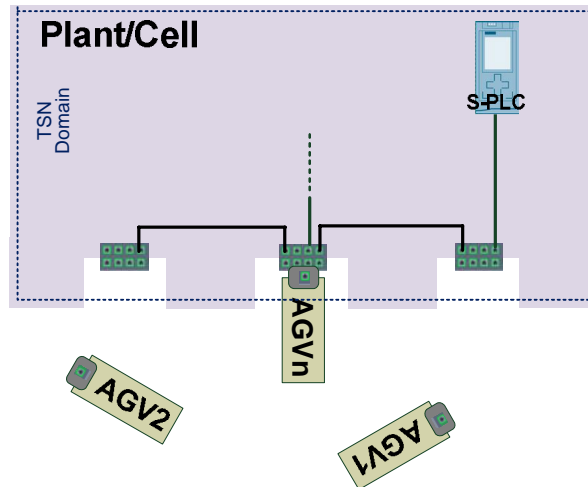
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Useful 802.1Q mechanisms:

- preconfigured streams
- ...

1176 2.6.5 Use case 21: Dynamic plugging and unplugging of machines (subnets)  
 1177 E.g. multiple AGVs (automatic guided vehicles) access various docking stations to get access to  
 1178 the supervisory PLC. Thus, an AGV is temporary not available. An AGV may act as CPS or as a  
 1179 bunch of devices.

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1181 **Figure 58 – AGV plug and unplug**

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1183 Requirement:

1184 The traffic relying on TSN features from/to AGVs is established/removed automatically after  
 1185 plug/unplug events.

1186 Different AGVs may demand different traffic layouts.

1187 The time till operate influences the efficiency of the plant.

1188 Thousands of AGS may be used concurrently, but only a defined amount of AGVs is connected at  
 1189 a given time.

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1192 Useful 802.1Q mechanisms:

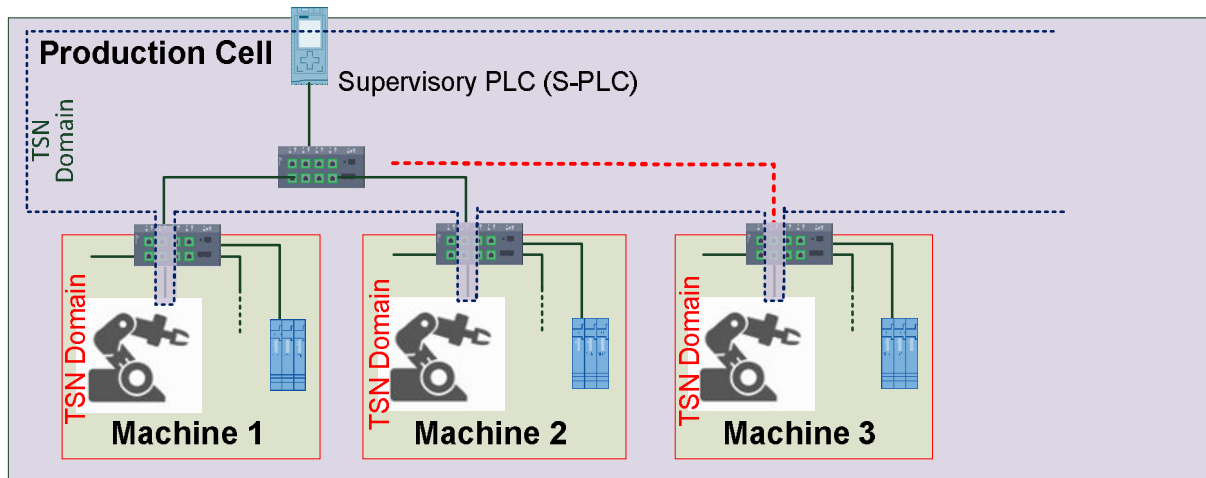
1193 · preconfigured streams

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Figure 60 – add machine

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1224 Requirement:

1225 Adding and removing a machine/cell/production line shall not disturb existing installations

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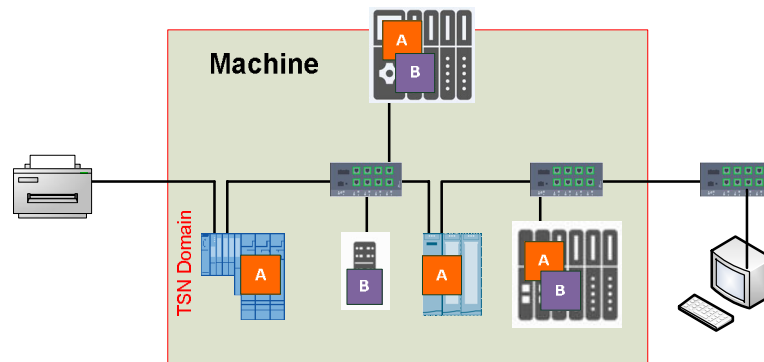
1227 Useful mechanisms:

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1230 [2.6.8 Use case 24: Multiple applications in a station using the TSN-IA profile](#)

1231 E.g. Technology A and B in PLC and devices.



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Figure 61 – two applications

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1235 Requirement:

1236 Stations with multiple applications using TSN traffic classes shall be supported.

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1238 Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

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1240 [2.6.9 Use case 25: Functional safety](#)

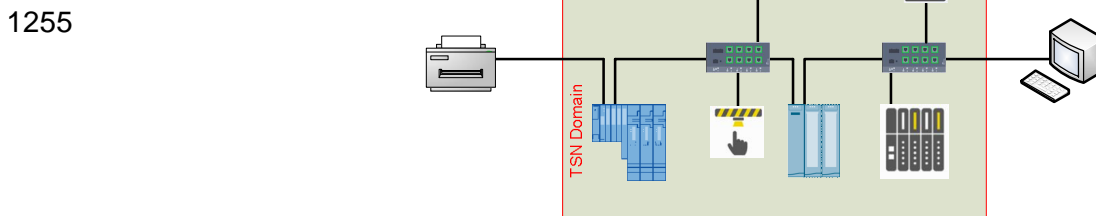
1241 Functional safety is defined in IEC 61508 as “*part of the overall safety relating to the EUC*  
1242 *[Equipment Under Control] and the EUC control system that depends on the correct functioning of*”

1243 the E/E/PE [electrical/electronic/programmable electronic] safety-related systems and other risk  
 1244 reduction measures”

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 1246 IEC 61784-3-3 defines a safety communication layer structure, which is performed by  
 1247 a standard transmission system (black channel), and an additional safety transmission protocol on  
 1248 top of this standard transmission system.

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 1250 The standard transmission system includes the entire hardware of the transmission system and the  
 1251 related protocol functions (i.e. OSI layers 1, 2 and 7).

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 1253 Safety applications and standard applications are sharing the same standard communication  
 1254 systems at the same time.



1256 **Figure 62 – Functional safety with cyclic real-time**

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 1258 Requirement:

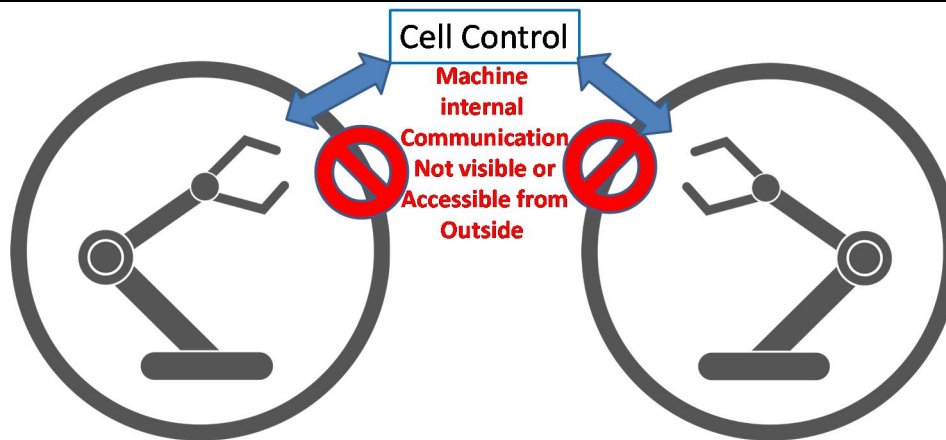
1259 Safety applications (as black channel) and standard applications share the same TSN-IA profile  
 1260 based communication system at the same time.

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 1262 Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

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#### 1264 [2.6.10 Use case 26: Machine cloning](#)

1265 The machines used in a cell can be identical but with a different task. Robots are a typical example  
 1266 of that kind of machines (see Figure 63). Thus, both machines have the same internal  
 1267 communication flows. The difference is just different machine identification for the external flow.  
 1268 The concept as of today is that the machine internal configuration has its identification and the cell  
 1269 system has its configuration but there is no dependency between both. The machine internal setup  
 1270 is done earlier and the cell identification is a result from a different configuration step and is done  
 1271 by a different organizational unit. Thus, it is difficult to propagate the cell level identification at the  
 1272 very beginning to the machine internal components. A worst case scenario is the startup of a  
 1273 machine and the connection to a cell in an ad hoc way with identification of the machine by the  
 1274 globally unique MAC address of the machine and the resolution of other addresses within the cell  
 1275 controller or above (e.g. for allocation of IP addresses). If there is a need to communicate with a  
 1276 few field device within the machine in a global way the machine subsystem has to be configured  
 1277 accordingly in advance. This configuration step could be done by a different organization as the  
 1278 stream configuration and not all machine internal elements may require a global address.



**Figure 63 – Machine internal communication with isolated logical infrastructure**

#### Requirements:

- TSN domains with unique addressing within the TSN domains;
- Unique TSN domain identification (e.g. using LLDP) also for cloned machines;
- Define handling of specific addresses (e.g. IP addresses) for global identification and how they are managed within the machine set-up procedures;

#### Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

- IEEE 802.1Q (usage of streams)
- IEEE 802.1 support for isolation is VLAN

## 2.7 DCS Reconfiguration

### 2.7.1 Challenges of DCS Reconfiguration Use Cases

The challenge these use cases bring is the influence of reconfiguration on the existing communication: all has to happen without disturbances to the production!

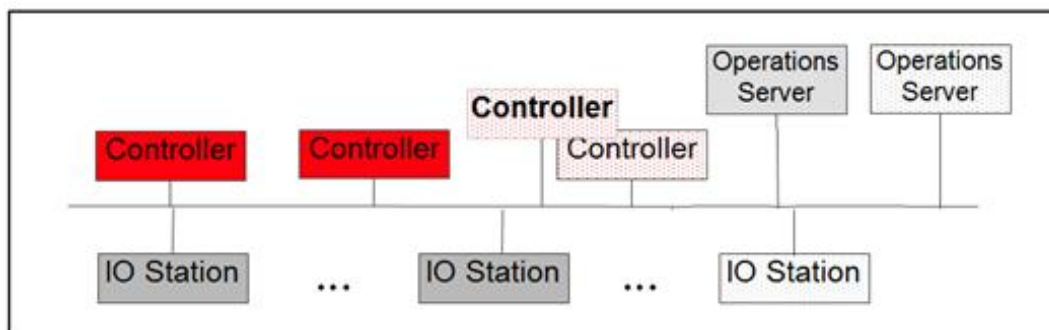
We consider important the use case that we can connect any number of new devices wherever in the system and they get connectivity over the existing infrastructure supporting TSN features without a change to the operational mode of the system.

### 2.7.2 Use case 27: DCS Device level reconfiguration

The structure shown in [Figure 1](#) applies. [Figure 64](#) provides a logic station view.

- SW modifications to a device
  - A change to the device's SW/SW application shall happen, which does not require changes to the SW/SW application running on other devices (incl. firmware update): *add examples*
- Device Exchange/Replacement
  - The process device is replaced by another unit for maintenance reason, e.g. for off-process calibration or because of the device being defective (note: a "defective device may still be fully and properly engaged in the network and the communication, e.g. if just the sensor is not working properly anymore):
  - Use case: repair
- Add/remove additional device(s)

- 1309 - A new device is brought to an existing system or functionality, which shall be used in the  
 1310 application, is added to a running device, e.g. by enabling a SW function or plugging in a  
 1311 new HW-module. Even though the scope of change is not limited to a single device  
 1312 because also the other device engaged in the same application
- 1313 - For process devices, servers: BIOS, OS and applications updates, new VMs, workstations
- 1314 - Use cases: replacement with upgrade/downgrade of an existing device, simply adding new  
 1315 devices, removal of device, adding connections between devices
- 1316 · Influencing factors relative to communication
- 1317 - Communication requirements of newly added devices (in case of adding)
- 1318 - Existing QoS parameters (i.e. protocol-specific parameters like TimeOuts or Retries)
- 1319 - Device Redundancy
- 1320 - Network/Media Redundancy
- 1321 - Virtualization
- 1322 - For servers: in-premise or cloud
- 1323 - Clock types in the involved process devices
- 1324 - Universal time and working clock domains
- 1325 - Cycle time(s) needed by new devices
- 1326 - Available bandwidth
- 1327 - Existing security policies



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 1329 **Figure 64 – Device level reconfiguration use cases**

1330 [2.7.3 Use case 28: DSC System level reconfiguration](#)

1331 The structure shown in [Figure 1](#) applies. [Figure 65](#) provides a logic station view.

- 1332 · Extend an existing plant
- 1333 - Add new network segment to existing network
- 1334 - Existing non-TSN / Newly added is TSN
- 1335 - Existing TSN / Newly added is TSN
- 1336 · Update the system security policy
- 1337 - [New key lengths, new security zones, new security policy]
- 1338 - To be defined how and by whom to be handled
- 1339 · Influencing factors
- 1340 - Same as for “device-level”

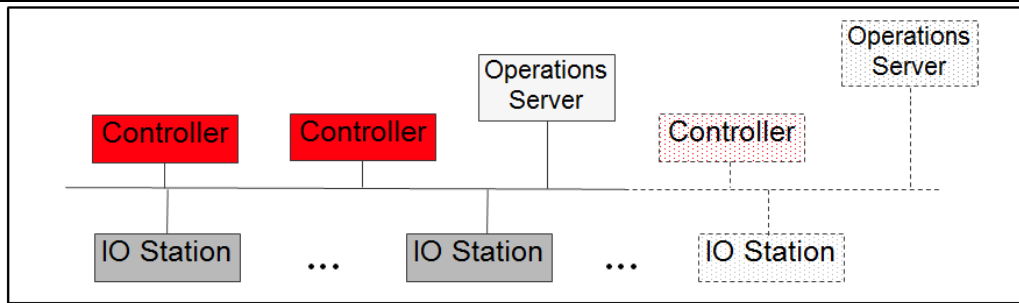


Figure 65 – System level reconfiguration use cases

## 2.8 Further Industrial Automation Use Cases

### 2.8.1 Use case 29: Network monitoring and diagnostics

Diagnostics plays an important role in the management of systems and of devices. Industrial automation requires a method for quick reaction to failures. The error reaction shall limit the damage caused by the error and minimize the machine downtime.

The error detection shall be done within a few cycles (exact value is depending on the application) and reaction shall be specified precisely in the case of an error. Machine stop is not always the right reaction on errors. This reaction can be located at the talker and listener.

Repairs are done by the service persons on site which have no specific communication knowledge. The indication of the components which have to be repaired shall occur within a few seconds. Machines are powered down during the repair. A typical repair time goal is below 15 min. This includes the restart of a machine and the indication that the problem is solved.

Generally speaking the mechanisms used in this context are acyclic or having large cycle times so that they could perhaps be considered, from a networking perspective as sporadic. Most of the use cases related to diagnostics will be included in this category.

- Quick identification of error locations is important to minimize downtimes in production.
- Monitoring network performance is a means to anticipate problems so that arrangements can be planned and put into practice even before errors and downtimes occur.
- Identification of devices on an industrial Ethernet network must be done in a common, interoperable manner for interoperability on a converged TSN network. This identification both needs to show the type of device, and the topology of the network. IEEE 802.1AB, the Link Layer Discovery Protocol (LLDP), provides one possible mechanism for this to be done at layer two, but provides a large degree of variability in implementation.

#### Requirement:

- Minimize downtime;
- Monitoring and diagnostics data including used TSN features shall be provided, e.g. established streams, failed streams, stream classes, bandwidth consumption, ...;
- A discovery protocol such as IEEE 802.1AB shall be leveraged to meet the needs of TSN-IA;
- Reporting of detailed diagnostics information for TSN features shall be supported.



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Useful 802.1 (ietf) mechanisms:

- MIBs (SNMP)
- YANG (NETCONF/RESTCONF)
- [IEEE 802.1Qci \(for error propagation limitation\)](#)

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[2.8.2 Use case 30: Security](#)

Industrial automation equipment can become the objective of sabotage or spying.

Therefore all aspects of information security can be found in industrial automation as well:

- Confidentiality "is the property, that information is not made available or disclosed to unauthorized individuals, entities, or processes."
- Integrity means maintaining and assuring the accuracy and completeness of data.
- Availability implies that all resources and functional units are available and functioning correctly when they are needed. Availability includes protection against denial-of-service attacks.
- Authenticity aims at the verifiability and reliability of data sources and sinks.

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Requirement:

Optional support of confidentiality, integrity, availability and authenticity.

Security shall not limit real-time communication

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Protection against rogue applications running on authenticated stations are out of scope.

Useful mechanisms:

- 802.1X
- IEC62443
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[2.8.3 Use case 31: Firmware update](#)

Firmware update is done during normal operation to make sure that the machine e.g. with 1000 devices is able be updated with almost no down time.

With bump: separate loading (space for 2 FW versions required) and coordinated activation to minimize downtime

Bumpless: redundant stations with bumpless switchover – the single device may lose connection (bump)

Requirement:

Stations shall be capable to accept and store an additional fw version without disturbance.

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Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

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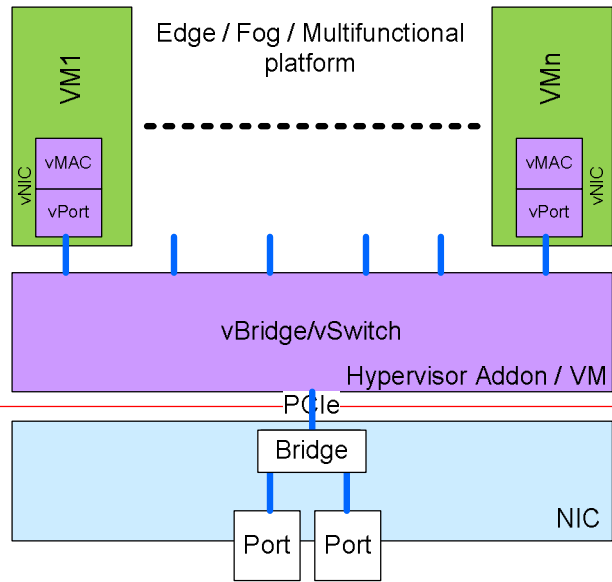
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[2.8.4 Use case 32: Virtualization](#)

Workload consolidation is done by virtualizing the hardware interfaces. Even in such kind of environment the TSN features according to the TSN-IA profile shall be available and working.

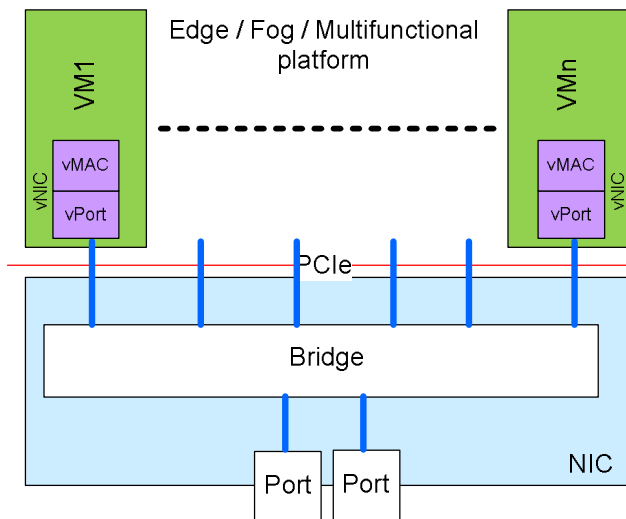
**vSwitch / vBridge**

Figure 66 and Figure 67 show the two principle setups for an Ethernet communication concept allowing both, communication VM to Ethernet and VM to VM. The applications inside the VM shall not see, whether they communicate to another VM or an Ethernet node.



**Figure 66 – Ethernet interconnect with VM based vBridge**

Figure 66 scales for an almost infinite amount of VMs, because the memory bandwidth and the compute power of the vMAC/vPort and vSwitch/vBridge VM are much higher than the PCIe bandwidth to the NIC.



**Figure 67 – Ethernet interconnect with PCIe connected Bridge**

Figure 67 fits for a limited amount of VMs, because it saves the additional vSwitch/vBridge VM. For a given amount of VMs, e.g. Gen3 x4 or Gen4 x4, seems to be sufficient.

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Requirement:

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vBridge and vPort should behave as real Bridge and real Port: data plane, control plane, ...

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vBridge and vPort can become members of TSN domains.

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Should work like use case “multiple applications”

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2.8.5 Use case 33: Offline configuration

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The configuration of a machine is typically done before the machine is actually built. This is necessary for checking the availability of all components and as input for the machine programming. This requires an electronic data sheet of the field devices. Bridging components and talker listener behavior shall be described in these files. The talker and listener parameters are deduced from the application configuration as well as the communication intervals. The bridge description may include the port properties and the amount of streams supported for the individual purposes. Performance parameters are also required to set up the system. XML based textual description is used currently to describe the capabilities of field devices used in machinery. The individual elements are combined and additional parameters are defined resulting in another file which describes a machine configuration. This file is given to the machine control unit after machine setup and used to verify the commissioning. Protocols are needed to compare the real machine elements with the configured ones. Topology discovery is an important feature as well as the access to bridges to read and write management data.

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Latency requirements restrict usable topologies and vice versa. Some applications can be handled with the description of an upper bound for latency. In this case the configuration may not use the accumulated latency from the bridge description but a limit which has to be checked during setup.

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Another parameter for real time communication is the quality of time synchronization which depends upon several parameters of the components used in the synchronization path. YANG models of IEEE 802 components may be suitable for that purpose as offline database for individual bridge components and for the IEEE 802 network. It is not necessary for a machine configurator to handle the YANG related protocols but use the models. YANG means a completely different language as used today and implies two databases and some transformation and consistency issues between the two descriptive units. Thus, it is recommended to provide a mapping between XML and YANG.

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Requirements:

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- Device type description of IEC/IEEE 60802 components containing all necessary managed objects needs to be defined

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- Means to store machine configuration offline in a textual form (e.g. XML);

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- Offline - Online comparison of machine configuration shall be supported;

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Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

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- IEEE 802.1 YANG models;

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1478 [2.8.6 Use case 34: Digital twin](#)

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1480 Virtual pre-commissioning of machines can save a lot of time and money.

1481 Up to 30 % time-saving in the development of new machines are foreseen by an increased  
1482 engineering efficiency due to the implementation and usage of digital twins.

1483 Faster development, delivery and commissioning of new machines at customer locations should be  
1484 possible.

1485 A digital twin shows the real machine in as much detail as possible and allows simulation of its  
1486 operation. With the help of digital twins machines can gradually and virtually be developed – in  
1487 parallel to the real production and commissioning process of the machines at customer locations.

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1489 Requirement:

1490 Reliable planning, development, testing, simulation and optimization results shall be possible

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1492 Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

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1494 [2.8.7 Use case 35: Device replacement without engineering](#)

1495 Any device in a plant, i.e. end-station, bridged end-station or bridge, may get broken eventually. If  
1496 this happens fast and simple replacement of a broken device is necessary to keep production  
1497 disturbance at a minimum (see also: 2.7.2 [Use case 27: DCS Device level reconfiguration](#)).

1498 Support of “mechanical” replacement of a failed device with a new one without any engineering  
1499 effort (i.e. without the need for an engineering tool) is a prerequisite for minimal repair downtime.

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1501 Requirement:

1502 In case of repair it shall be possible to replace end-stations, bridged end-stations or brides without  
1503 the need of an engineering tool.

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1505 Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

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