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## Abstract

This document summarizes use cases relevant to Automotive Time Sensitive Networking (TSN), along with their associated requirements. It will be used by the IEEE P802.1DG editor to create the standard. The IEEE P802.1DG project's title is: "TSN Profile for Automotive In-Vehicle Ethernet Communications."

The enclosed use cases are intended to guide the specification process: WHAT shall be part of the standard and WHY. Then the content of IEEE P802.1DG standard specifies the HOW to achieve these use cases.

Some use cases are on a system level of an automotive system, even if the scope of IEEE P802.1DG does not cover the overall system level. The IEEE P802.1DG should enable or at least do not prevent the features described in this use case document. Example use cases that are currently outside the scope of the P802.1DG standard are those using wireless interfaces, but these uses clearly impact the "Ethernet Communications" use in the vehicle.

This document is intended an aide to the formation of the IEEE P802.1DG standard.

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23 **Log**

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## 156 1 Definitions and Terms

157 <<creator's note: The Definitions & Terms listed below are some Automotive specific definitions  
 158 that have been added along with examples as listed in the Industrial Use Case document. This list  
 159 will be updated & added to as needed. The intended edits for the next revision are marked.  
 160 Suggestions of what should be kept or deleted is requested.>>

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### 162 1.1 Definitions

ADAS	Adaptive Driver Assistance System – needed for autonomous driving
ADAS Level	Autonomous driving capability levels as defined by the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) Level 0: Driver controls it all, to Level 5: Fully autonomous in all environments/scenarios (no steering wheel necessary). See: Figure 7 and <a href="https://www.techrepublic.com/article/autonomous-driving-levels-0-to-5-understanding-the-differences/">https://www.techrepublic.com/article/autonomous-driving-levels-0-to-5-understanding-the-differences/</a>
CAN(-FD)	Controller Area Network - a vehicle bus standard, '-FD' stands for the Flexible Data-rate extension
DC	Domain Controller
ECU	Electronic Control Unit
LIN	Local Interconnect Network - a vehicle bus standard
OEM	Original Equipment Manufacturer – In Automotive: The Car Maker
Tier 1	In Automotive: typically, a subsystem/ECU supplier
Tier 2	In Automotive: typically, a silicon supplier
Reconfiguration	Any intentional modification of the system structure or of the device-level content, including updates of any type
Operational state	Normal state of function of a unit
Maintenance state	Planned suspension or partial suspension of the normal state of function of a unit
Stopped state	Full non-productive mode of a unit
Convergent network concept	All LAN devices (wired or wireless) can exchange data over a common infrastructure, within defined QoS parameters <<creator's note: TSN over wireless media is outside the scope of IEEE P802.1DG (it's title specifically states Ethernet Communications), the include of wireless devices in use cases may be needed to show the system level need.>>

Device	End station, bridged end station, bridge, access point
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, requires transmission latency to be bounded. <sup>1)</sup>
TSN domain	A quantity of commonly managed devices; A set of devices, their Ports, and the attached individual LANs that transmit Time-Sensitive Streams using TSN standards which include Transmission Selection Algorithms, 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 4.16).
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	Devices of a common working clock domain with a common setup for the isochronous cyclic real-time traffic type
cyclic real-time domain	Devices with a common setup for the cyclic real-time traffic type - even from different working clock domains or synchronized to a local timescale
Network cycle	Transfer time including safety margin, and application time including safety margin; values are specific to a TSN domain and specify a repetitive behavior of the network interfaces belonging to that TSN domain;
Stream forwarding	Forwarding of stream data along the stream path including TSN domain boundary crossings

## 163 1.2 IEEE 802.1 Terms

Priority regeneration	See IEEE 802.1Q-2018 clause 6.9.4 Regenerating priority
Ingress rate limiting	See IEEE 802.1Q-2018 clause 8.6.5 Flow classification and metering

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

165 **2 TSN in Automotive**

166 <<creator's note: The Industrial Use Case document used this section to describe Cyber-Physical  
167 Systems and then cover generic topics such as Interoperability, TSN Domains, Synchronization,  
168 etc. These topics are now in Section 4, Saved Industrial Concepts that may be Relevant to  
169 Automotive,

170 I propose this section 2 can be a brief overview of non-Ethernet in-vehicle networks and where &  
171 why Ethernet came into the Automotive picture. Alternatively, this section could be a summary of  
172 the topics described in Section 3 Automotive modes of operation – the Use Cases and Section 3  
173 will be support material for this Section 2. If people feel this is not needed, this section would just  
174 be an overview of what comes below.>>

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### 178 3 Automotive modes of operation – the Use Cases

179 Each use case below, starts with a link to its source material (if available). The words in each use  
 180 case are the interpretations of the creator of this document. It is up to the author of the source  
 181 material to make sure that this interpretation is correct. Once this verification is obtained, it will be  
 182 marked as ‘Reviewed by original author’.

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#### 184 3.1 Auto Use Case 01: Example Automotive Networks

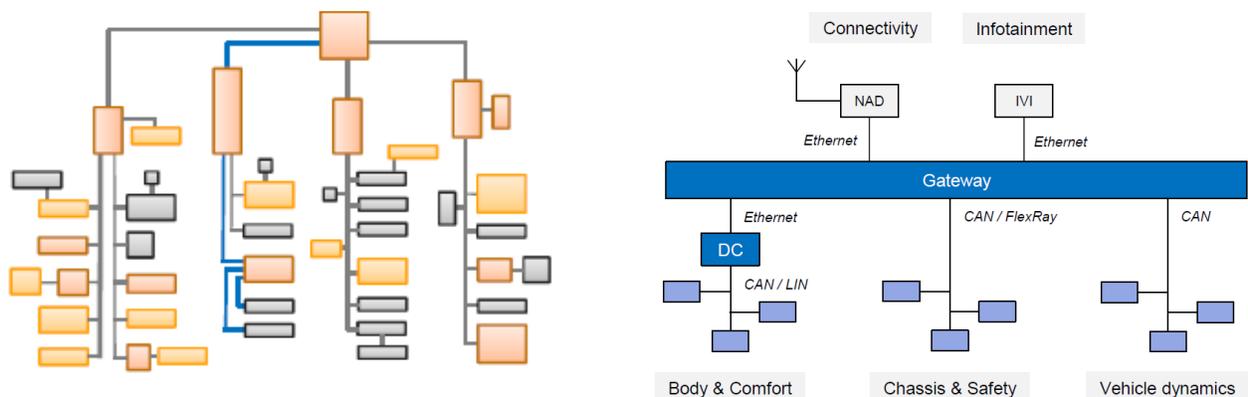
185 Source material: [http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2019/dg-zinner-automotive-  
 186 architecture-evolution-0319-v02.pdf](http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2019/dg-zinner-automotive-architecture-evolution-0319-v02.pdf) *Interpretation accepted on 06-Aug-19 call.*

187 *Source material for section 3.1.5: [http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2019/dg-hopf-features-  
 188 architectures-requirements-0719-v02.pdf](http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2019/dg-hopf-features-architectures-requirements-0719-v02.pdf) <<Reviewed by original author – goes here>>*

##### 189 3.1.1 Traditional Model

190 A traditional, or present-day automotive network architectures for many ~~car~~ car makers, are shown  
 191 in Figure 1. These networks typically contain a Central Gateway ECU (top box in the left figure)  
 192 with point-to-point communion between all the application specific ECUs. Most ECU’s are  
 193 connected using non-Ethernet connections such as CAN, LIN, etc.

194 Ethernet links are limited to only those that require higher bandwidth (shown as the bold blue lines  
 195 in the left figure or labeled in the right figure). The DC ECU in the right figure is a Domain  
 196 Controller which will be discussed in the next section.



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198 *Figure 1 – Examples of Traditional or Central Gateway Automotive Networks*

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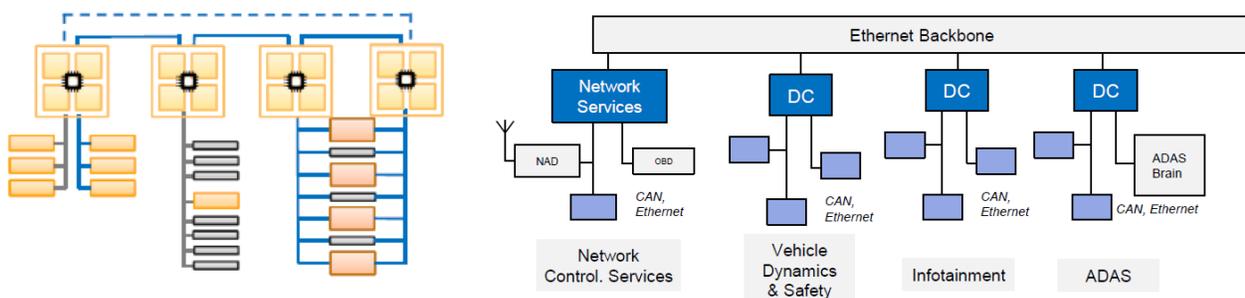
##### 200 3.1.2 Domain Model

201 Examples of Domain automotive network architectures are shown in Figure 2. Domain networks  
 202 are the current focus of many OEMs today. Ethernet is a clear enabler for these types of networks  
 203 due to Ethernet’s speeds and its support for the OSI Layer model.

204 Many OEMs want their ECU applications to communicate using IP so that the underlying physical  
 205 connections are abstracted from the application. This allows a fully working ECU & application in  
 206 one car model to be reused in another car model even if the underlying network is of a different  
 207 speed and/or topology.

208 Domain networks can also work modularly. This allows a common architecture to work for full  
 209 feature high-end cars, mid-range cars and low-end versions of a given car model. For example,  
 210 the ADAS ECU can be easily removed for those models that won't support autonomous driving.  
 211 And/or the infotainment ECU can be scaled in quality/performance to meet the desired price point  
 212 of the car (right figure).

213 Ethernet links can be used to connect the Domain Controllers (DC) together (depending upon the  
 214 link's needed bandwidth) where the left figure shows possible redundancy support via the dotted  
 215 line connection making a ring. Ethernet may be used more extensively below each Domain  
 216 Controller as well (shown as the bold blue lines in the left figure or labeled in the right figure).  
 217 Multiple connections to some ECU's are also shown in the left figure. These connections could be  
 218 for redundancy or one set of the connections could be from an ADAS ECU so that it can  
 219 autonomously drive the car.



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 221 *Figure 2 – Examples of Domain Automotive Networks*

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### 223 3.1.3 Zonal Model

224 Examples of Zonal automotive network architectures are shown in Figure 3. Zonal networks are  
 225 sometimes called Centralized, as many implementations use centralized processing. But Zonal  
 226 networks could equally well support a distributed processing implementation for physically  
 227 separated processing redundancy. As this document focuses on the network only, this model is  
 228 called Zonal here.

229 Zonal networks are seen by many as the flexible networking solution. It separates the car into  
 230 topological zones where the many functions of the car, which were physically isolated in the  
 231 Domain model, are now sharing the same physical wire. Ethernet's scalable bandwidth & Time  
 232 Sensitive Networking's (TSN) capabilities become requirements here, on top of the OSI layering  
 233 and IP requirements being used in Domain networks (section 3.1.2). Some of the driving forces for  
 234 this change are:

- 235 • A large reduction in the size, weight, cost & complexity of the wiring harness
- 236 • Any data can go anywhere which saves bandwidth (i.e., no need to replicate the data), and  
 237 it supports new features via over the air (OTA) updates
- 238 • The same architecture & ECUs (end nodes) can be used for both low-end, mid-range &  
 239 high-end car models reducing the development overhead
- 240 • Easily made redundant using the techniques described in multiple TSN standards

241 This model also brings challenges:

- 242 • Requires the implementer to be familiar with IEEE 802 networking, IEEE 802.1Q and its  
 243 TSN standards (as many implementers are used to the current automotive bus standards)

- 244 • Requires the implementor to trust that the TSN standards work (“I have to share my wire with Infotainment? I used to have my own wire, so I knew it always worked!”)
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- 246 • It must solve functional safety and security concerns.

247 Zonal supports a Brownfield network model. In each zone, a Zone Controller can be used to  
 248 connect to existing ECUs using that ECU’s native connection technology. Gateways in the  
 249 Traditional model (section 3.1.1) and Domain Controllers in the Domain model (section 3.1.2)  
 250 already do this.

251 The left figure shows limited redundancy while the right figure shows full redundancy for the TSN  
 252 network. The Zonal Controllers are the boxes with leaf nodes connected to them (in both figures).  
 253 The right figure shows the ADAS camera data using separate links, as today, the total bandwidth  
 254 for multiple raw video streams is more than what the Ethernet TSN Backbone could handle. But  
 255 history shows us that this will not always be the case.

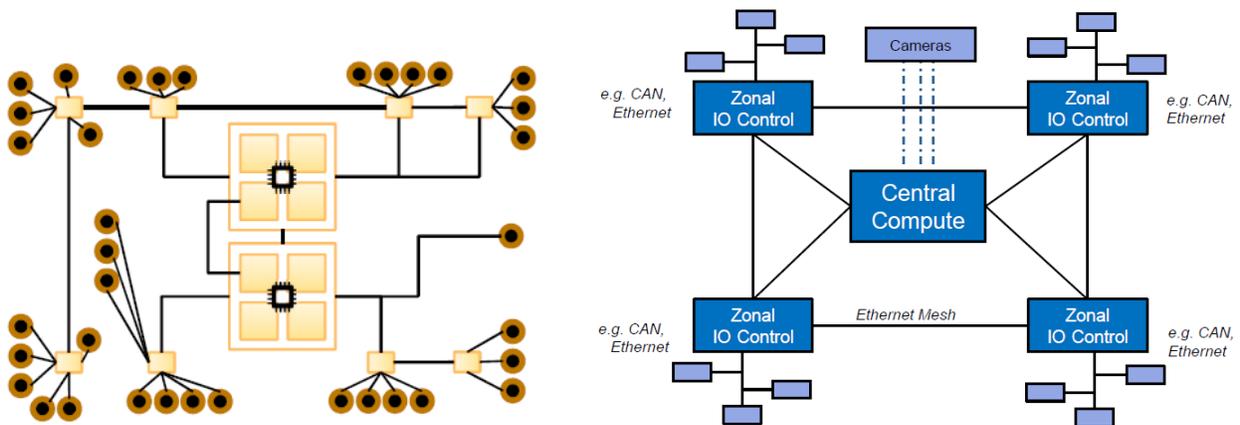


Figure 3 – Examples of Zonal Automotive Networks

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### 3.1.4 Ethernet Network Characteristics

Network topology	Traditional	Domain	Zonal
<u>Number of Domains or Zones</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>3-5</u>	<u>3-10</u>
~ # hops for a stream	1-2	2-4	3-6
Link Speed	100 Mb/s	100 Mb/s to 10 Gb/s	100 Mb/s to 50 Gb/s
# of Ethernet Links	< 10	10 to 50	> 50
Stream Congestion points	0 to 1	1 to 3	2 to 5
~E2E Latency needs	10’s of mSec	1s to 10’s of mSec	10’s to 100’s of uSec
~ <u>Maximum tTime Sync-alignment</u> between any 2 nodes <sup>2</sup>	1 mSec <u>to 1</u> <u>Sec</u> <sup>3</sup>	1 mSec	10 uSec <u>with 1 uSec</u> <u>for audio</u>

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<sup>2</sup> 1 uSec of maximum time alignment between any 2 nodes = +/- 500ns maximum offset from the Grand Master for any 1 node.

<sup>3</sup> Some Traditional applications used software for time synchronization and thus the larger max number.

**3.1.5 Diversity Among Architectures**

Historically, using a new technology for a new IVN architecture has taken between 7 to 11 years. Therefore, all these architecture concepts (& the mishmash in between) will coexist for a long time.

	...	Architecture pattern A	Architecture pattern B	Architecture pattern C	...
Architecture variant A					
Architecture variant B					
Architecture variant C					
Architecture variant n	...	...	...	...	...

Figure 4 – Examples of Diversity Among Architectures

With all this diversity, the profile will not be used much if it is too specific. Instead it needs to focus generic requirements such as:

- Startup time
- Bounded Ethernet latency
- Security
- Power concept
- Bandwidth requirements
- Etc.

Example generic requirements are shown in Figure 5, below.

Requirement	Goal	Derived requirements for TSN	Remark
Startup time (power off → link up)	100 – 130 ms	After this time, the following should be working: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (Fault-Tolerant) Time-Sync</li> <li>• All shapers for data paths (all? Just critical ones?)</li> <li>• Seamless redundancy(?)</li> </ul>	Source for time values: <a href="http://www.ieee802.org/3/ch/public/may17/Wienckowski_3NGAUTO_01_0517.pdf">http://www.ieee802.org/3/ch/public/may17/Wienckowski_3NGAUTO_01_0517.pdf</a> ; Faster intervals? Static config? Pre-stored values?
Bound latency for audio	<= 2 ms for latency in network	Prioritization / Shaping of data	2 ms is the original value used around AVB
Fault isolation	No error propagation in the network	Ingress Filtering and Policing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capability to silence streams after breaking contracts</li> </ul>	Possible # of entries based on segments: low, mid, servers?

Figure 5 – Examples of Generic Requirements

279 3.1.53.1.6 Requirements from this use case

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R1.1	The profile needs to be flexible as the example figures above show that every car manufacturer uses their own network architecture.
R1.2	<u>Maximum gPTP per hop error of ??ns for 100BASE-T1 links &amp; ??ns for 1000BASE-T1 links. This supports the 1 uSec time alignment need over ?? hops.</u> <<In AVB the #'s used were a max per hop error of 80ns for 100BASE-TX, error was not specified for 1000BASE-T but would extrapolate to 16ns, and this supported 1uSec over 7 100BASE-TX hops.>>
R1.3	<u>Need to focus on generic requirements such as Startup Time, Bounded Ethernet Latency, Required Bandwidth, etc.</u>
<u>R1.4</u>	<u>Requirements ranges need to be defined as not all applications require the same performance. These ranges need to be identified or costs may be too high.</u>
<u>R1.5</u>	

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284 **3.2 Auto Use Case 02: Example Automotive Ethernet Devices**

285 Source material: [http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2019/dg-zinner-automotive-](http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2019/dg-zinner-automotive-architecture-evolution-0319-v02.pdf)  
 286 [architecture-evolution-0319-v02.pdf](http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2019/dg-zinner-automotive-architecture-evolution-0319-v02.pdf) [Interpretation accepted on 06-Aug-19 call.](#)

287 **3.2.1 Classes of Ethernet Devices**

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289 **TSN endpoints**

- 290 1. single port talker/listener
- 291 a. focus: safety relevant data processing e.g. server, antenna module
- 292 b. other:
- 293 2. single port talker only (back channel data is not time critical)
- 294 a. focus: safety relevant sensors for ADAS (Cameras, Radars, Lidars,...)
- 295 b. other: microphone
- 296 3. single port listener only (back channel data is not time critical)
- 297 a. focus: safety relevant actuators (steering, braking, display)
- 298 b. other: speaker

299 **TSN bridges**

- 300 1. 3-port bridge (supports ring topology)
- 301 2. access bridge (interface to outside vehicle networks)
- 302 a. focus: security
- 303 3. aggregation bridge (low port count)
- 304 4. aggregation bridge (high port count)

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306 **3.2.2 Requirements from this use case**

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R2.1	Multiple device classes for End Stations and for Bridges need to be listed and the capabilities/requirements for each need <u>s</u> to be specified.
R2.2	The capabilities/requirements need to be specified for a single hop taking into consideration the needs of the E2E system.
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### 3.3 Auto Use Case 03: Asymmetrical Ethernet Links <<All New>>

Source material: <http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2019/dg-lo-asymmetrical-use-case-0719-v01.pdf> <<Reviewed by original author – goes here>>

#### 3.3.1 Need for Asymmetrical Ethernet Links

Historically, full-duplex Ethernet physical links have always been symmetrical, meaning the data rate in both directions on the wire are always the same speed. While this works fine for automotive backbones (see Figure 2 & Figure 3 above) it is not needed for sensor and display applications (on the 1<sup>st</sup> and last hops) as shown in Figure 6 below.

In the past truly, asymmetrical links were never considered since Enterprise Network topologies need to be extremely flexible (you never know what data types will be going down a link). But automotive supports areas of the network (particularly at the edges) that can be static in its data types & flows.

The consideration of asymmetrical PHYs for automotive was discussed in the IEEE 802.3ch project (the Multi-Gig Automotive Ethernet PHY Task Force, or 2.5, 5 & 10 Gig BASE-T1 PHYs - <http://www.ieee802.org/3/ch/index.html>). But these discussions were brought up late in the development of the project, so the idea was dropped, not because it was not interesting, but because it would have unacceptably delayed the standard.

The re-consideration of asymmetrical PHYs is being brought up again, this time at the beginning of a project, in the “Greater than 10 Gb/s Automotive Ethernet Electrical PHYs Study Group” (<http://www.ieee802.org/3/B10GAUTO/index.html>). This issue is being brought up again because the expected power savings (and other) gains appear to be significant enough to support the static automotive use cases at high link speeds, where power savings means more driving distance.

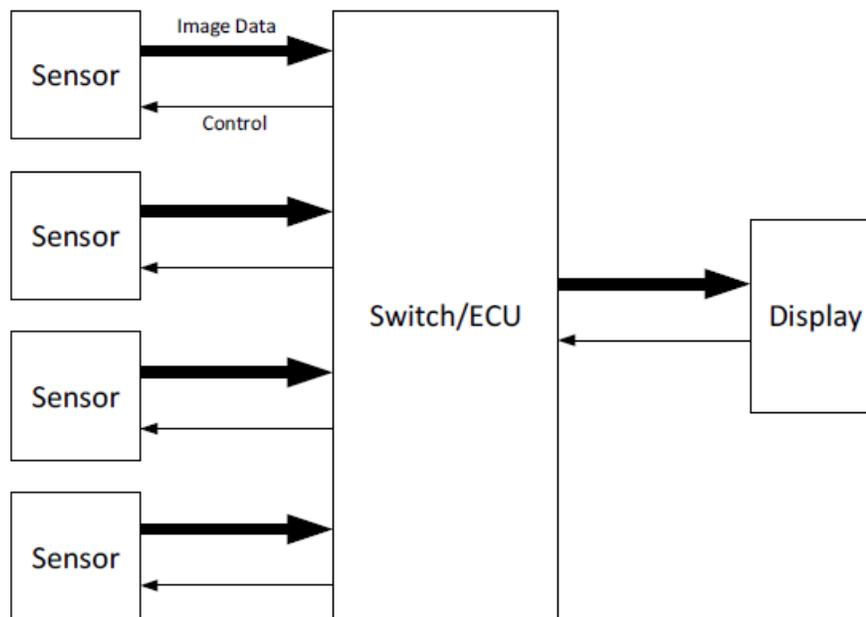


Figure 6 – Examples of an Asymmetrical Ethernet Links

337 **3.3.2 Potential Impact of Asymmetrical Ethernet Links to IEEE 802.1**

338 IEEE 802.1 needs to pay attention to IEEE 802.3's Greater than 10 Gb/s Automotive Ethernet  
339 Electrical PHYs Study Group to see if asymmetrical links become reality.

340 In parallel, IEEE 802.1 may consider investigating if there are any 802.1 standards limitations with  
341 asymmetrical links. If any issues are found, the IEEE 802.1DG Automotive Profile can't support  
342 these interfaces, unless the limiting standards are not needed in Automotive, or if the standards get  
343 updated before the 802.1DG Profile's competition.

344 In many cases asymmetrical links may be transparent to the needed standards. For example, at  
345 first look, gPTP appears to be impacted since it's pDelay link measurement mechanism depends  
346 on symmetrical delays upstream & downstream in the link. But what is being measured is the  
347 "wire" delay, and any single bit down the wire should have the same delay regardless of its data  
348 rate. Said another way, a given cable should have the same pDelay measurement result  
349 regardless if the bits down the wire go at 100 Mb/s or 1000 Mb/s (in fact AVB certification is done  
350 with a cable with a "known" delay). The speed related PHY delay needs to be known to make this  
351 work, but again, this is not new.

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353 **3.3.3 Requirements from this use case**

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R3.1	Unknown at this time as there are currently no PHY projects to support this need.
R3.2	In the background, keep our eyes open for Standards that may be affected by asymmetrical links. gPGP appears to be OK.
R3.3	Is the current IEEE 802.3 Energy Efficient Ethernet power savings enough for this use case?
R3.4	

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### 3.4 Auto Use Case 04: Automotive In-Vehicle Traffic Types <<All New>>

Source material: <http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2019/dg-chen-automotive-traffic-type-0719-v01.pdf> <<Reviewed by original author – goes here>>

#### 3.4.1 Need for Defined Data Type

In any Ethernet network there is usually a separation of the Ethernet frames into differentiated service requirement categories as some frames must be treated differently for the network to work properly. Before AVB, a minimum distinction was made between Network Control frames and Best Effort frames. With AVB/TSN, more distinctions are needed & the Automotive types are listed below.

Table 1 - Automotive Traffic Types Summary

Traffic Type	Period	Guarantee <sup>4</sup>	Tolerance to Loss <sup>5</sup>	Frame Size	Criticality
Safety-relevant Control: see 3.4.1.2	<= 20ms	Deadline based Reserved w/Latency < 1ms	No	64 bytes	High
Safety-relevant Media: see 3.4.1.3	<= 10ms	Bandwidth based Reserved w/Latency < 1ms	No	64 to max frame size <sup>6</sup> (w/1500 data bytes)	High
Network Control: see 3.4.1.4	50ms to 1s	Sporadic Highest priority Non-Reserved	Yes	64 to 512 <sup>7</sup> bytes	High
Event: see 3.4.1.5	N/A	Sporadic 2 <sup>nd</sup> Highest priority Non-Reserved	Yes	64 to max frame size (w/1500 data bytes)	Medium
Safety-irrelevant Control see 3.4.1.6	< 200ms	Bandwidth based Reserved w/Latency < 50ms	Yes	64 bytes	Medium
Safety irrelevant Media: see 3.4.1.7	Defined by the media type	Bandwidth based Reserved w/Latency < 300ms	Yes	64 to max frame size (w/1500 data bytes)	Medium
Best Effort: see 3.4.1.8	N/A	None	Yes	64 to max frame size (w/1500 data bytes)	Low

<sup>4</sup> Guarantee lists the kind of Guarantee (Deadline base, Bandwidth base, etc.) if a Reservation is needed, and the needed worst case Latency (which is from Ethernet MAC on the Talker to Ethernet MAC on the Listener).

<sup>5</sup> If “No” some form of redundancy support is needed.

<sup>6</sup> “max frame size” includes all needed Tags, the Ethernet header & CRC, with a data payload of the IEEE 802.1 maximum of 1500 bytes.

<sup>7</sup> Need to determine if all needed Network Control frames will be smaller that the stated max size.

### 370 **3.4.1.1 Definitions**

371 Deadline based: A Reserved stream that must be received by the Listener before a predictable  
372 time. (From the network perspective, Deadline based can be expressed as Latency if the  
373 sending time is known, thus this becomes Bandwidth based).

374 Bandwidth based: A Reserved steam of a known data rate that must be received by the Listener  
375 before a predictable time.

376 Latency: Within a predictable timespan, starting when the Ethernet packet is transmitted by the  
377 Talker (sender), and ending when the Ethernet packet is received by the Listener (receiver).

378 Reserved: A stream that is known by all the devices in its network path with resources reserved to  
379 meet its needed bandwidth and latency following the AVB/TSN concepts.

380 Priority: Higher Priority uses a higher Traffic Class Queue following the Strict Priority Scheduling  
381 rules.

382 Criticality:

- 383 • High: Unmet Guarantee may cause critical system malfunction.
- 384 • Medium: Unmet Guarantee may cause degraded operation but not a system malfunction.
- 385 • Low: Typically, no Guarantee is needed as retransmission can compensate any data loss.

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### 387 **3.4.1.2 Safety-relevant Control**

388 Examples include:

- 389 • Control loops of the engine, braking, steering, etc.
- 390 • ADAS commands for above.

391 Data can fit into single frames and latency is less than one data transmission period. Seamless  
392 redundancy is needed.

393

### 394 **3.4.1.3 Safety-relevant Media**

395 Examples include:

- 396 • Environment perception sensors: Radar, Lidar, Ultrasonic, Camera, etc.
- 397 • Fusion data for ADAS.
- 398 • Real-time map downloading and positioning.

399 Bandwidth requirements vary greatly such that further separation may be needed. Fast  
400 redundancy is required (but not seamless). <<is RSTP fast enough for this?>>

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### 402 **3.4.1.4 Network Control**

403 Examples include:

- 404 • Clock synchronization (e.g., gPTP).
- 405 • Network redundancy (e.g., RSTP).
- 406 • Topology detection (e.g., LLDP).

407 Bandwidth is in the 1-2 Mb/s range but these flows needs to be in the highest non-reserved Traffic  
408 Class.

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#### 410 **3.4.1.5 Event**

411 Examples include:

- 412 • V2I, V2V, V2N<sup>8</sup> events/warnings/alarms
- 413 • Dynamic network configuration (if needed). <<isn't this covered under Network Control?>>

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#### 415 **3.4.1.6 Safety-irrelevant Control**

416 Examples include:

- 417 • Control of light, air conditioning, doors & windows, infotainment system, etc.
- 418 • Sensing and signal display of vehicle status, e.g., fuel/battery consumption, batter/water
- 419 temperature, tire pressure, etc.

420 Loss of data may lead to decreased quality.

421

#### 422 **3.4.1.7 Safety irrelevant Media**

423 Examples include:

- 424 • Infotainment audio and video.
- 425 • Camera for driver at low speed (e.g., back-up camera, surround view cameras).
- 426 • Heads-up Display (HUD), eCall, etc.

427 Application performance may degrade if latency increases. May need to further divide this traffic  
428 type into audio and video? Loss of data may lead to decreased quality. <<but if this uses AVB  
429 reservations this should not happen>>

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#### 431 **3.4.1.8 Best Effort**

432 Examples include:

- 433 • Firmware & software OTA updates (including offline map downloading).
- 434 • Logging and log uploading, diagnostics, configurations
- 435 • All other internet data access

436 Loss of data can be compensated by retransmissions at the higher protocol layers.

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<sup>8</sup> V2I is Vehicle to Infrastructure (traffic conditions, etc.), V2V is Vehicle to Vehicle, V2N is Vehicle to Network

437 **3.4.2 Requirements from this use case**

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R4.1	Many Traffic Classes will be needed for all the different needed Differentiated Services (Egress Queues). There is currently a limit of 8 so similar types may need to be combined.
R4.2	The observation intervals defined in the IEEE 802.1BA Plug-and-play Audio/Video Profile are for that use case only. Automotive can use these same reservation concepts with more than just 2 Traffic Class types and with very different observation intervals, if needed.
R4.3	Support for multiple different types of redundancy may be appropriate (from seamless to network reconfiguration).
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### 3.5 Auto Use Case 05: Network Reliability <<All New>>

Source material: <http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2019/dg-zhu-reliability-use-case-0719-v01.pdf> <<Reviewed by original author – goes here>>

#### 3.5.1 Need for Network Reliability

In any network, problems can occur, be they hardware or software, intermittent or persistent. With the advent of autonomous driving capabilities, the need to minimize and/or remove the impact of these problems increases as the Automation level increases (ADAS Level – Figure 7).

#### SAE AUTOMATION LEVELS

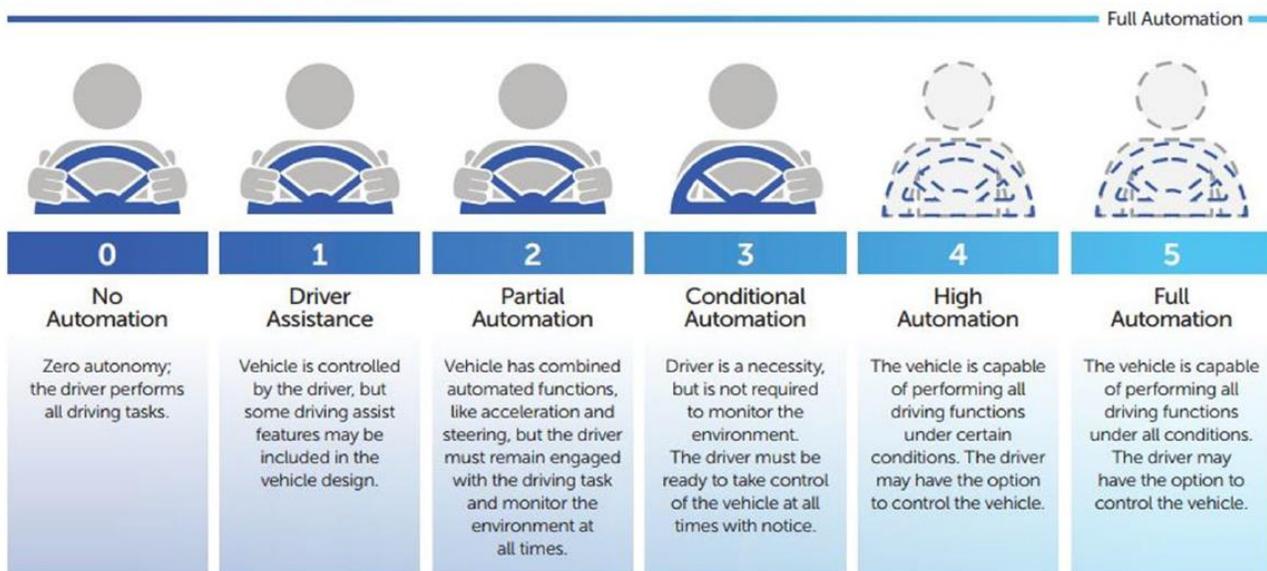


Figure 7 – Adaptive Driver Assistance System (ADAS) Automation Levels<sup>9</sup>

Levels of required reliability for various Automotive systems is defined in ISO 26262 and they are referred to as Automotive Safety Integrity Levels or ASIL. There are four ASIL levels, A thru D where D is the highest level. The ASIL level for each system is a sum of:

$$\text{Probability} + \text{Controllability} + \text{Severity} = \text{ASIL}$$

It is the job of the OEM to determine the ASIL requirements for each system in a car (Figure 8, below) as it is the system that must overcome any reliability issues of its underlying components. Note that ISO 26262 has recently been enhanced to define ASIL for semiconductors so that the industry can communicate using the same language & expectations.

<sup>9</sup> Source: SAE International

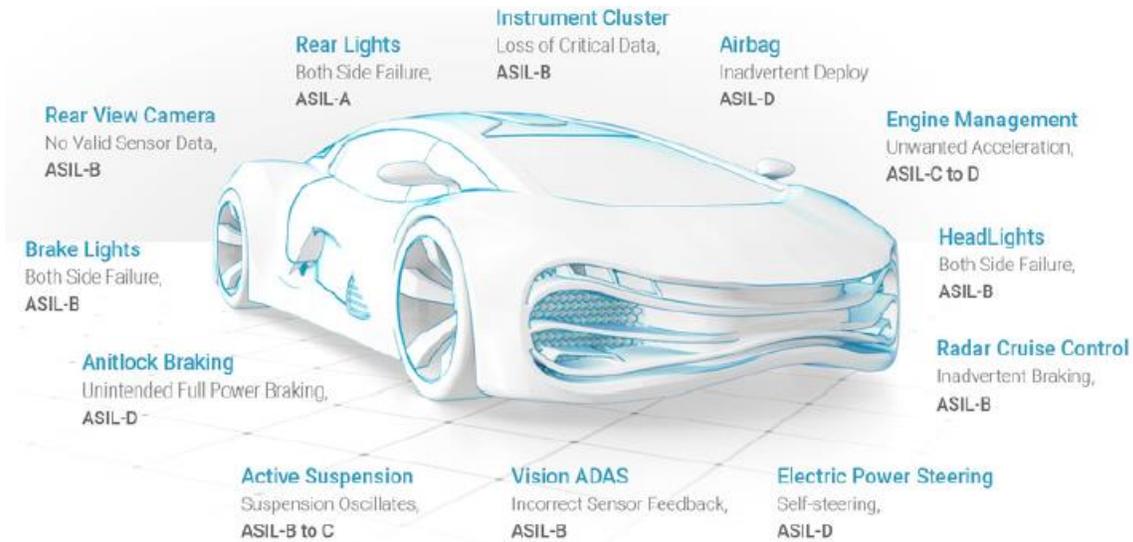


Figure 8 – Example ASIL Assignments in a Car<sup>10</sup>

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467 Redundancy is a major approach to achieve high reliability IVNs. And there are multiple  
 468 levels/kinds of redundancy that can be acceptable since there are “costs” to be considered.

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470 **3.5.2 Requirements from this use case**

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R5.1	Multiple levels of redundancy switchover times (from detection to switching) need to be supported in the ranges of 10ms, 1ms & seamless (instantaneous).
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R5.3	
R5.4	

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<sup>10</sup> Source: Synopsys

475 **3.6 Auto Use Case 06:**

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477 <<creator's note: New Use Case goes here.>>

478 **3.6.1 Requirements from this use case (or Summary?)**

479 <<creator's note: It is the intention that the Requirements for each Use Case will be listed at the end of  
480 each Use Case. This way it acts as a summary. This approach may need to be adjusted as this document  
481 progresses.>>

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## 483 **4 Saved Industrial Concepts that may be Relevant to Automotive**

484 <<creator's note: This section contains summaries of some of the Use Case sections from the Industrial TSN  
485 Profile Use Case document. IA stands for Industrial Automation. These Use Case numbers do not line up  
486 with the Industrial Use Case document's numbers as many sections from that document were not included.

487 These section summaries are left in this document to act as stimulus for potential Automotive Use Cases.>>

### 488 **4.1 IA Use Case 01: Isochronous Control Loops with guaranteed low latency**

489 Control loops with guaranteed low latency implement an isochronous traffic pattern for isochronous  
490 applications, which are synchronized to the network access. It is based on application cycles,  
491 which consists of an IO data Transfer time and an Application time wherein the control loop  
492 function is executed.

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### 494 **4.2 IA Use Case 02: End Stations without common application cycle**

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

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### 499 **4.3 IA Use Case 03: Non-Isochronous Control Loops with bounded latency**

500 Control loops with bounded latency implement a cyclic traffic pattern for non-isochronous  
501 applications, which are not synchronized to the network access but are synchronized to a local  
502 timescale.

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### 504 **4.4 IA Use Case 04: 10 Mbit/s End-Stations (Ethernet sensors)**

505 Simple and cheap sensor end-stations are directly attached via 10 Mbit/s links to the machine  
506 internal Ethernet and implement cyclic real-time communication with the PLC.  
507 The support of additional physics like "IEEE 802.3cg APL support" is intended.

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#### 509 Requirement:

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

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#### 513 Useful 802.1Q/TSN mechanisms:

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- ...

### 515 **4.5 IA Use Case 05: Legacy IVN Bus Gateway**

516 Gateways are used to integrate non-Ethernet and Ethernet-based busses into TSN domains.

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518 Many systems have at least one merging unit (e.g gateway, multiplexer) between the sensors and  
519 actuators assigned to a single machine control. The clustering is typically done with some  
520 infrastructure elements (slices) that require a backplane communication.

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#### 522 Requirement:

- 523 • Support of non-Ethernet and Ethernet-based bus devices via gateways either transparent or  
524 hidden;
- 525 • TSN scheduling may need configuration to meet the requirements of subordinate systems;

526 **4.6 IA Use Case 06: Mixed link speeds**

527 Industrial use cases refer to link speeds, as shown in Table 2, in the range from 10 Mbit/s to  
 528 10 GBit/s for Ethernet and additional Wi-Fi, Bluetooth and 5G. Thus, the TSN domains need to  
 529 handle areas with different link speeds.

530 **Table 2 – Link speeds**

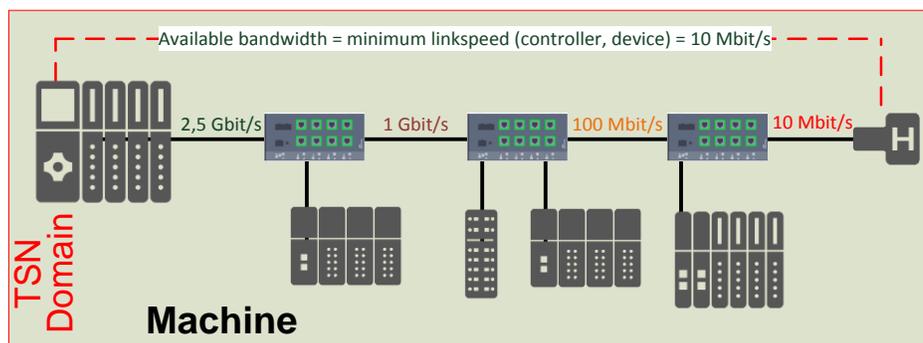
Link speed	Media	Comments
100 kbit/s – 3 Mbit/s	Radio Bluetooth	These devices are connected thru a Bluetooth access point. They may be battery powered.
1 Mbit/s – 1 Gbit/s	Radio Wi-Fi	These devices are connected thru a Wi-Fi access point. They may be battery powered.
1 Mbit/s – 10 Gbit/s (theoretical/expected)	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 leafs 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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 532 Mixing devices with different link speeds is a non-trivial task. Figure 9 and Figure 10 show the  
 533 calculation model for the communication between an IOC and an IOD connected with different link  
 534 speeds.

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

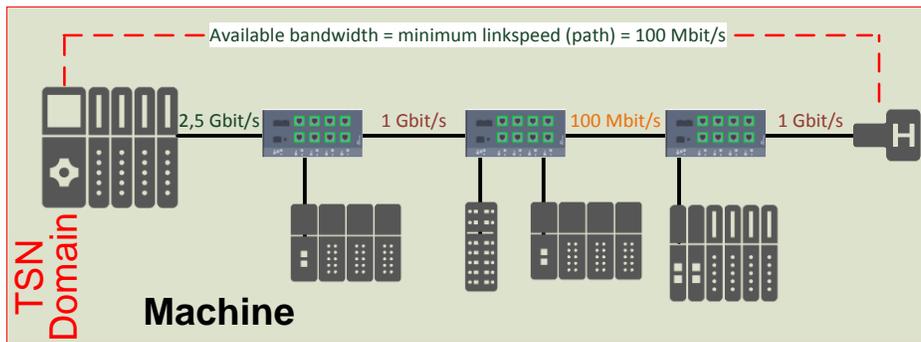
537 The weakest link of the path defines the usable bandwidth. If a topology guideline ensures that the  
 538 connection to the end-station always is the weakest link, only these links need to be checked for the  
 539 usable bandwidth.

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Figure 9 – mixed link speeds



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Figure 10 – mixed link speeds without topology guideline

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Requirement:

545 Links with different link speeds as shown in Figure 9 share the same TSN-IA profile based  
 546 communication system at the same time.

547 Links with different link speeds without topology guideline (Figure 10) may be supported.

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Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

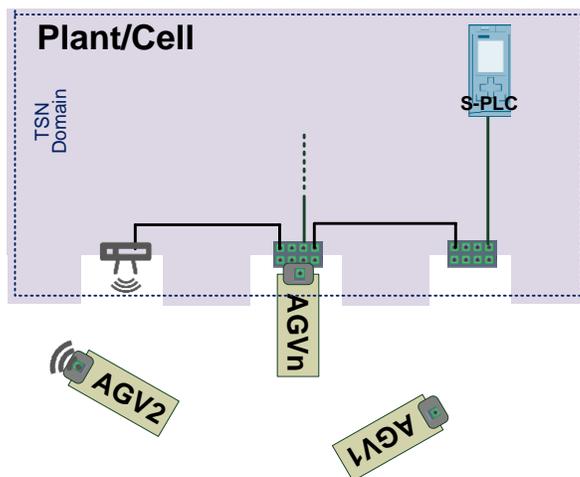
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551 **4.7 IA Use Case 07: Dynamic plugging and unplugging of machines**

552 E.g. multiple AGVs (automatic guided vehicles) access various docking stations to get access to  
 553 the supervisory PLC. Thus, an AGV is temporary not available. An AGV may act as CPS or as a  
 554 bunch of devices.

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Figure 11 – AGV plug and unplug

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558 Requirement:

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

561 Different AGVs may demand different traffic layouts.

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

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

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567 Useful 802.1Q mechanisms:

- 568 • preconfigured streams
- 569 • ...

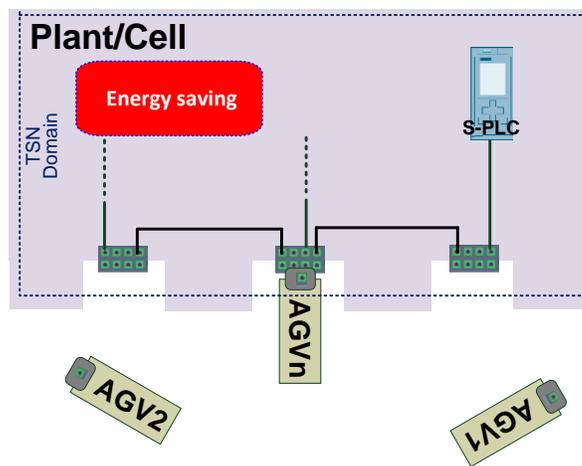
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#### 572 4.8 IA Use Case 08: Energy Saving

573 Complete or partial plant components are switched off and on as necessary to save energy. Thus,  
 574 portions of the plant are temporarily not available.

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Figure 12 – energy saving

577 Requirement:

578 Energy saving region switch off/on shall not create process disturbance.

579 Communication paths through the energy saving area between end-stations, which do not belong  
 580 to the energy saving area, shall be avoided.

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582 Useful 802.1Q mechanisms:

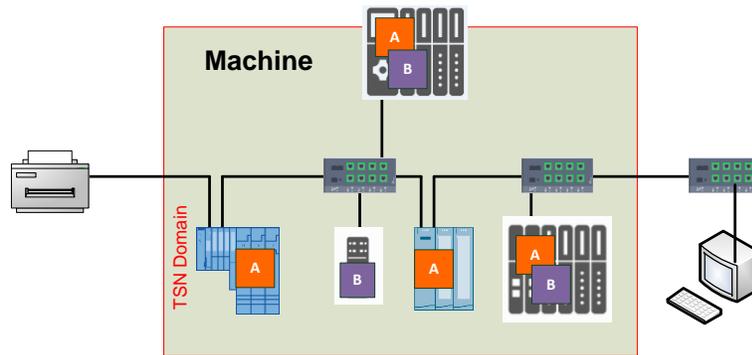
- 583 • Appropriate path computation by sorting streams to avoid streams passing through energy  
 584 saving region.

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587 **4.9 IA Use Case 09: Multiple applications in a station using the TSN-IA profile**  
 588 Technology A and B are implemented in PLC and devices.

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Figure 13 – two applications

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592 Requirement:

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

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595 Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

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597 **4.10 IA Use Case 10: Functional safety**

598 Functional safety is defined in IEC 61508 as “*part of the overall safety relating to the EUC*  
 599 *[Equipment Under Control] and the EUC control system that depends on the correct functioning of*  
 600 *the E/E/PE [electrical/electronic/programmable electronic] safety-related systems and other risk*  
 601 *reduction measures”*

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

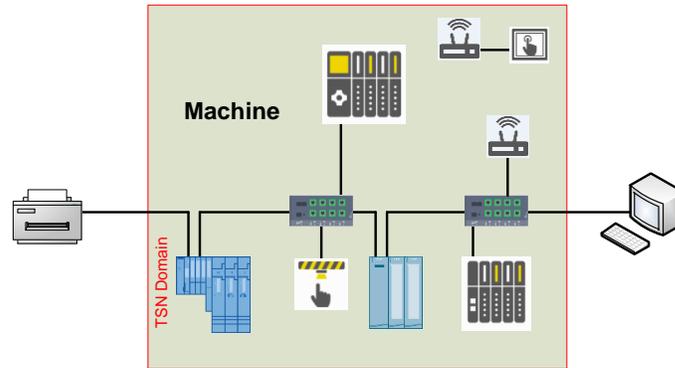
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607 The standard transmission system includes the entire hardware of the transmission system and the  
 608 related protocol functions (i.e. OSI layers 1, 2 and 7).

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610 Safety applications and standard applications are sharing the same standard communication  
 611 systems at the same time.

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**Figure 14 – Functional safety with cyclic real-time**

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Requirement:

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

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Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

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#### 4.11 IA Use Case 11: Network monitoring and diagnostics

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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- Quick identification of error locations is important to minimize downtimes in production (see also **Sequence of events**).

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- 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.

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- Identification of devices on an industrial Ethernet network shall 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.

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645 Requirement:

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

652 Useful 802.1 (ietf) mechanisms:

- 654 • MIBs (SNMP)
- 655 • YANG (NETCONF/RESTCONF)
- 656 • ...

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## 658 4.12 IA Use Case 12: Security

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

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

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

668 Requirement:

670 Optional support of confidentiality, integrity, availability and authenticity.

671 Security shall not limit real-time communication

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

674 Useful mechanisms:

- 676 • 802.1X
- 677 • IEC62443
- 678 • ...

## 679 4.13 IA Use Case 13: Firmware update

680 Firmware update is done during normal operation to make sure that the machine e.g. with 1000

681 devices is able be updated with almost no down time.

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

684 minimize downtime

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686 Bumpless: redundant stations with bumpless switchover – the single device may lose connection

687 (bump)

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689 Requirement:

690 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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#### 694 4.14 IA Use Case 14: Virtualization

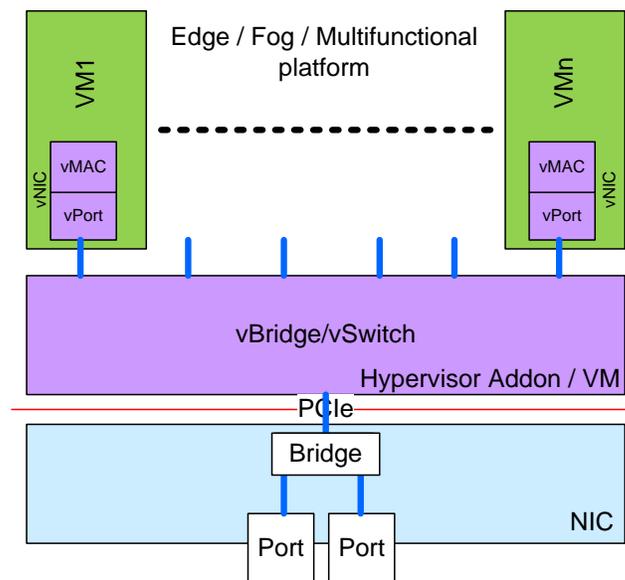
695 Workload consolidation is done by virtualizing the hardware interfaces. Even in such kind of  
696 environment the TSN features according to the TSN-IA profile shall be available and working.

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#### 698 vSwitch / vBridge

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700 Figure 15 and Figure 16 show the two principle setups for an Ethernet communication concept  
701 allowing both, communication VM to Ethernet and VM to VM. The applications inside the VM shall  
702 not see, whether they communicate to another VM or an Ethernet node.



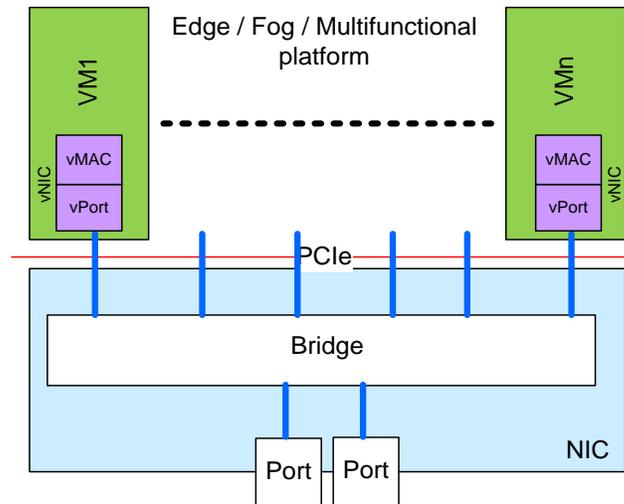
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**Figure 15 – Ethernet interconnect with VM based vBridge**

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706 Figure 15 scales for an almost infinite amount of VMs, because the memory bandwidth and the  
707 compute power of the vMAC/vPort and vSwitch/vBridge VM are much higher than the PCIe  
708 bandwidth to the NIC.



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710 **Figure 16 – Ethernet interconnect with PCIe connected Bridge**

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712 Figure 16 fits for a limited amount of VMs, because it saves the additional vSwitch/vBridge VM. For  
713 a given amount of VMs, e.g. PCIe Gen3 x4 or Gen4 x4, seems to be sufficient.  
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715 Requirement:

716 vBridge and vPort should behave as real Bridge and real Port: data plane, control plane, ...  
717 vBridge and vPort can become members of TSN domains.  
718 Should work like use case “multiple applications”

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720 Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

- 721 • ...  
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723 **4.15 Interoperability**

724 <<creator’s note: What parts of this section from the Industrial Use Case document are applicable to  
725 Automotive? Clearly there is a desire for interoperability of devices. But Automotive is historically static in  
726 its network construction, even if the flows of streams are altered by firmware updates.>>

727 Interoperability may be achieved on different levels. Figure 17 and Figure 18 show three areas,  
728 which need to be covered:

- 729 - network configuration (managed objects according to IEEE definitions), and  
730 - stream configuration and establishment, and  
731 - application configuration.

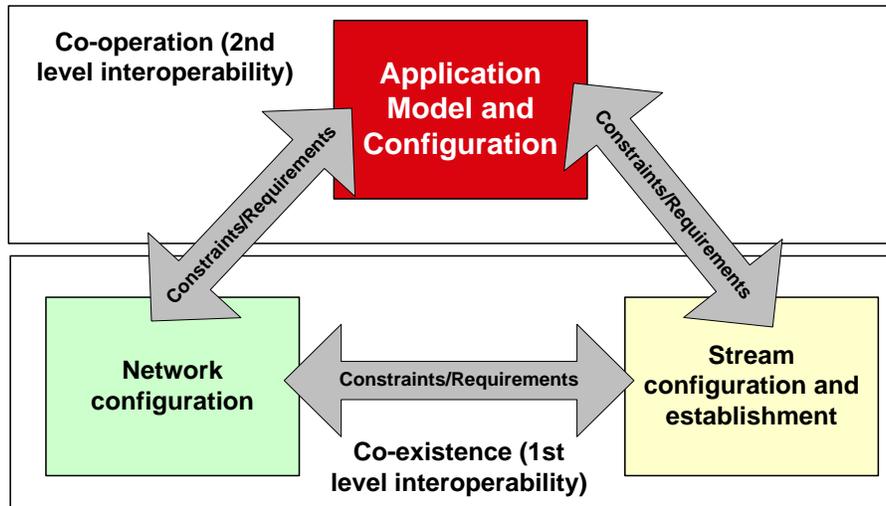
732 The three areas mutually affect each other (see Figure 17).

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

734 The selection made by the TSN-IA profile covers IEEE 802 defined layer 2 and the selected  
735 protocols to configure layer 2.

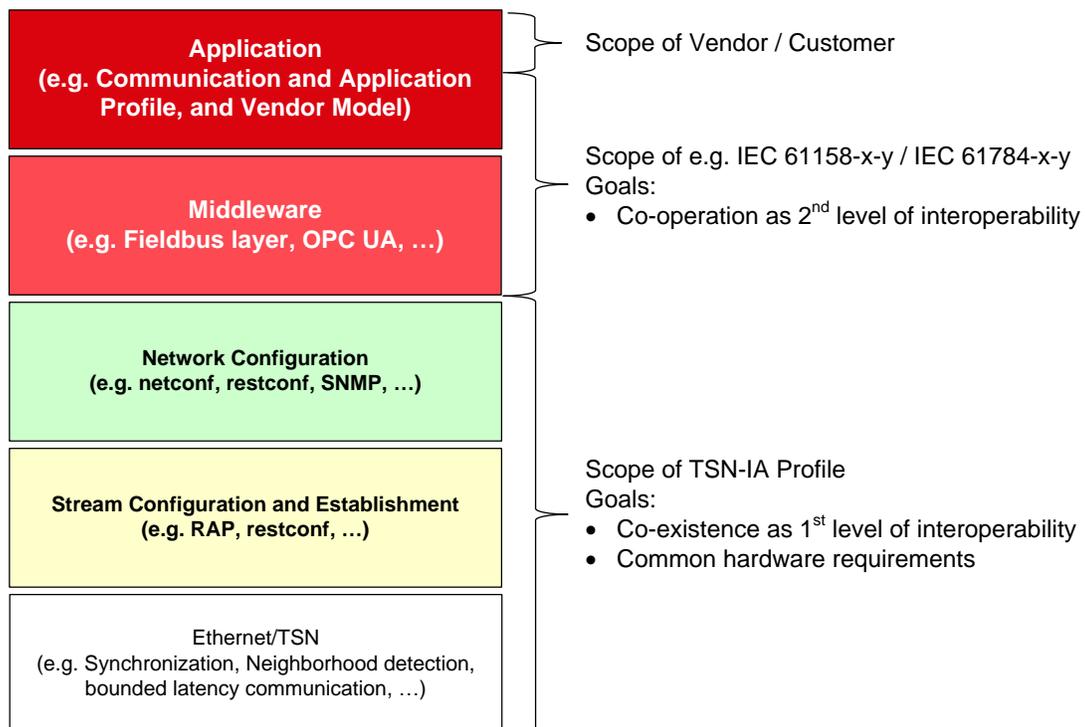
736 Applications make use of upper layers as well, but these are out of scope for the profile.

737 Stream establishment is initiated by applications to allow data exchange between applications. The  
 738 applications are the source of requirements, which shall be fulfilled by network configuration and  
 739 stream configuration and establishment.  
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741 **Figure 17 – Principle of interoperation**

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744 **Figure 18 – Scope of work**

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## 747 4.16 TSN Domain

748 <<creator's note: What parts of this section from the Industrial Use Case document are applicable to  
749 Automotive? Is this concept needed for Automotive?>>

### 750 4.16.1 General

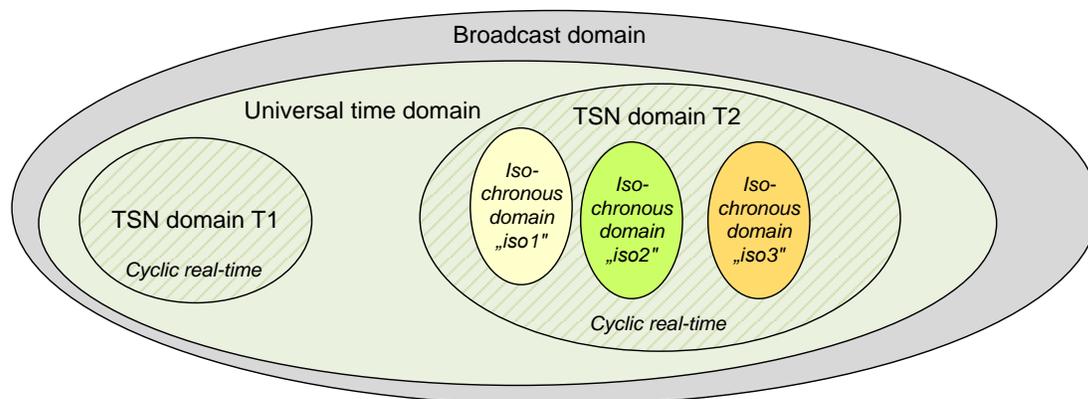
751 A TSN domain is defined as a quantity of commonly managed industrial automation devices; it is  
752 an administrative decision to group these devices.

753 TSN Domain Characteristics:

- 754 • One or more TSN Domains may exist within a single layer 2 broadcast domain.
- 755 • A TSN Domain may not be shared among multiple layer 2 broadcast domains.
- 756 • Multiple TSN Domains may share a common universal time domain.
- 757 • Two adjacent TSN Domains may implement the same requirements but stay separate.
- 758 • Multiple TSN domains will often be implemented in one bridge (see 4.16.2.2).
- 759 • Multiple TSN domains will often be implemented in one router (see 4.16.2.3).
- 760 • Multiple TSN domains will often be implemented in one gateway (see 4.16.2.4).

761 Typically machines/functional units constitute separate TSN domains. Production cells and lines  
762 may be set up as TSN domains as well. Devices may be members of multiple TSN domains in  
763 parallel.

764 Figure 19 shows two example TSN domains within a common broadcast domain and a common  
765 universal time domain. TSN domain 1 is a pure cyclic real-time domain, whereas TSN domain 2  
766 additionally includes three overlapping isochronous domains.  
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769 **Figure 19 – Different Types of Domains**

770 Interconnections between TSN domains are described in 4.16.2.

### 771 4.16.2 Interconnection of TSN Domains

#### 772 4.16.2.1 General

773 TSN domains may be connected via

- 774 - Bridges (Layer 2), or
- 775 - Routers (Layer 3), or
- 776 - Application Gateways (Layer 7).

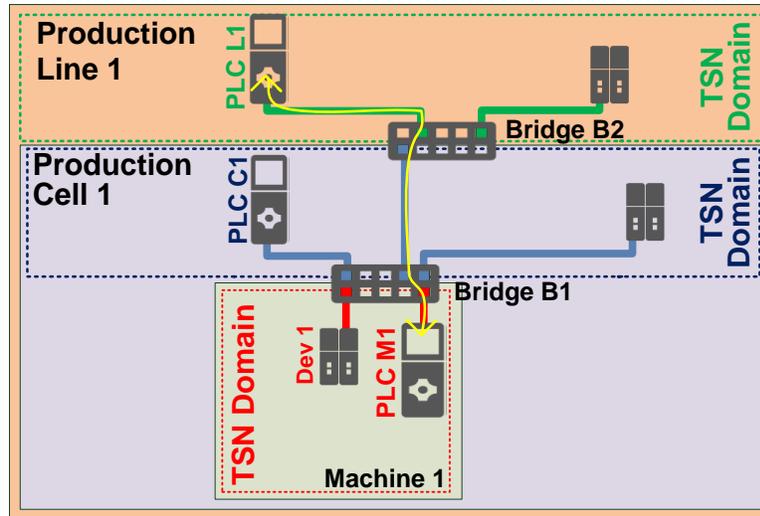
777 Wireless Access Points or 5G Base Stations may be used to connect TSN domains, too.

778 **4.16.2.2 Bridges (Layer 2)**

779 When a Bridge is member of multiple TSN domains, one bridge port must only be a member of a  
780 single TSN domain.

781 Figure 20 provides an example of two Bridges, which are members of two TSN domains each.  
782 Bridge B1 provides ports and connectivity in TSN domain Production Cell 1 and in TSN domain  
783 Machine 1, Bridge B2 for Production Line 1 and Production Cell 1.

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**Figure 20 – Three TSN domains connected by Bridges**

787 To support connectivity between multiple TSN domains (e.g. PLC L1 ↔ PLC M1) a method for  
788 reserving time-sensitive streams over multiple TSN domains needs to be specified, including:

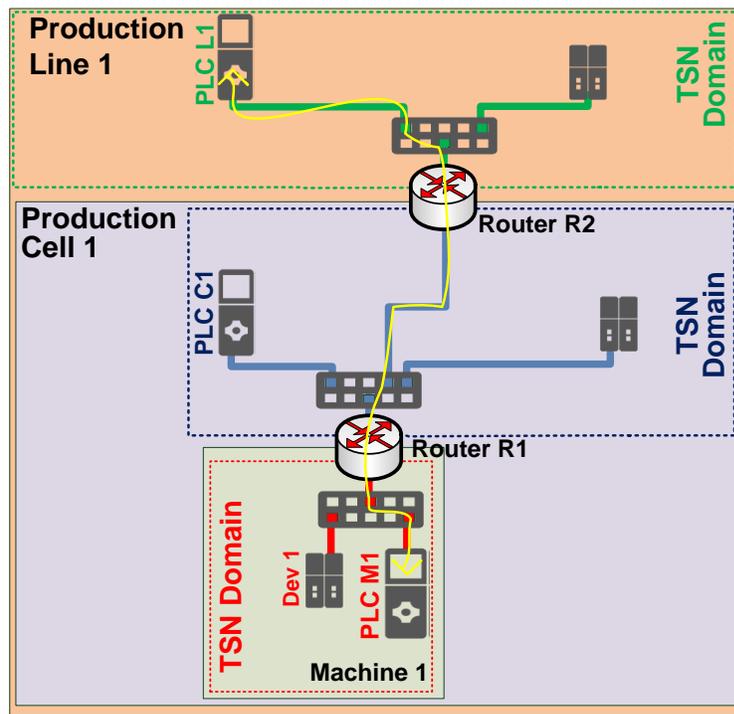
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- 790 - find the communication partner,
  - 791 - identify the involved TSN domains,
  - 792 - identify the involved management entities independent from the configuration model  
(centralized, hybrid, fully distributed),
  - 793 - ensure the needed resources,
  - 794 - parameterize the TSN domain connection points to allow stream forwarding if needed.

795 **4.16.2.3 Routers (Layer3)**

796 Together with routers, both intranet and internet are possible. In this sub-clause, however, only the  
 797 intranet use case is addressed.

798 When a router is member of multiple TSN domains, one router interface/port must only be a  
 799 member of a single TSN domain. Figure 21 provides an example of two routers, which are  
 800 members of two TSN domains each. Router R1 provides ports and connectivity in TSN domain  
 801 Production Cell 1 and in TSN domain Machine 1, Router R2 for Production Line 1 and Production  
 802 Cell 1.

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**Figure 21 – Three TSN domains connected by Routers**

806 To support connectivity between multiple TSN domains (e.g. PLC L1 ↔ PLC M1) a method for  
 807 reserving time-sensitive streams over multiple TSN domains needs to be specified, including:

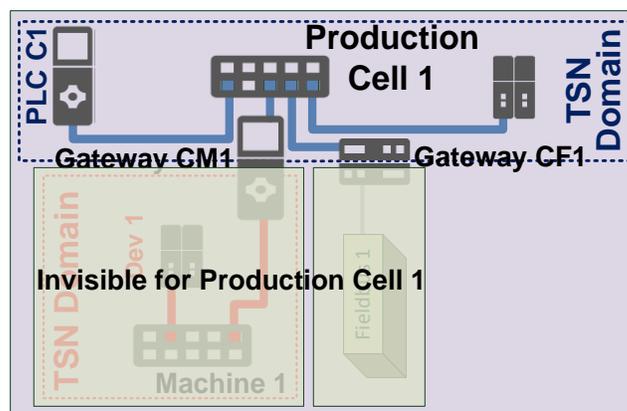
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- 809 - find the communication partner,
  - 810 - identify the involved TSN domains,
  - 811 - identify the involved management entities independent from the configuration model  
(centralized, hybrid, fully distributed),
  - 812 - ensure the needed resources,
  - 813 - parameterize the TSN domain connection points to allow stream forwarding if needed.

814 **4.16.2.4 Application Gateways (Layer7)**

815 When an Application Gateway is member of multiple TSN domains, one gateway interface/port  
 816 must only be a member of a single TSN domain.

817 Figure 22 provides an example of two application gateways:

- 818 - Gateway CM1 is member in the TSN domains Production Cell 1 and Machine 1;
- 819 - Gateway CF1 is member of the TSN domain Production Cell 1 and of Fieldbus 1.



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**Figure 22 – Gateways with two TSN domains and an attached Fieldbus**

822 Application level gateways do not provide direct access between devices of different TSN domains.  
 823 Instead the application gateways act as end-stations for TSN domain egress and ingress  
 824 communication.

825 An application specific translation of control and data to access adjacent TSN domains may be  
 826 implemented in the application level gateway to realize TSN domain interconnections. The  
 827 translation may even involve buffering, collecting and re-arranging of data and control. Thereby  
 828 application level gateways decouple TSN domains, so that the internal structure and configuration  
 829 of adjacent TSN domains is not visible respectively.

830 Application level gateways are also used to connect non-Ethernet- or Ethernet-based fieldbuses to  
 831 TSN domains (see Gateway CF1 in Figure 22 and see also IA Use Case 05: Legacy IVN Bus  
 832 Gateway).

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## 835 4.17 Synchronization

### 836 4.17.1 General

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

839 Redundancy for synchronization of universal time may be solved with “cold standby”. Support of  
840 “Hot standby” for universal time synchronization is not current practice - but may optionally be  
841 supported depending on the application requirements.

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

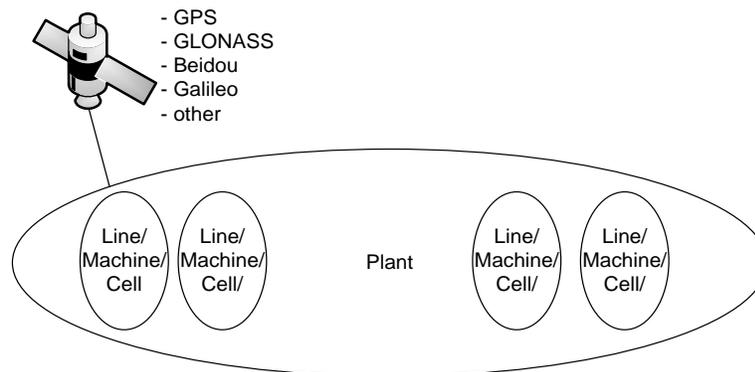
845 More details about redundancy switchover scenarios are provided in:

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

### 847 4.17.2 Universal Time Synchronization

848 Universal time is used to plant wide align events and actions (e.g. for “sequence of events”). The  
849 assigned timescale is TAI, which can be converted into local date and time if necessary. Figure 23  
850 shows the principle structure of time synchronization with the goal to establish a worldwide aligned  
851 timescale for time. Thus, often satellites are used as source of the time.

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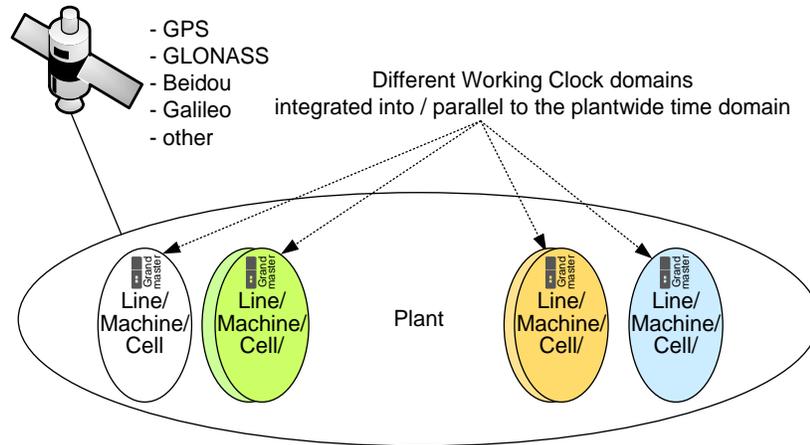
854 **Figure 23 – plant wide time synchronization**

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

### 856 4.17.3 Working Clock Synchronization

857 Working Clock is used to align actions line, cell or machine wide. The assigned timescale is  
858 arbitrary. Robots, motion control, numeric control and any kind of clocked / isochronous application  
859 rely on this timescale to make sure that actions are precisely interwoven as needed. Figure 24  
860 shows the principle structure of Working Clock synchronization with the goal to establish a line /  
861 cell / machine wide aligned timescale. Thus, often PLCs, Motion Controller or Numeric Controller  
862 are used as Working Clock source.

863 If multiple PLCs, Motion Controller or Numeric Controller need to share one Working Clock  
864 timescale (e.g. for scheduled traffic), an all-time active station shall be used as Working Clock  
865 source, also known as Grandmaster.



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867 **Figure 24 – line/cell/machine wide working clock synchronization overlapping with a**  
868 **universal time domain**

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

870 High precision working clock synchronization is a prerequisite for control loop implementations with  
871 low latency (see 3.1).

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#### Requirements:

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- 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;

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#### Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

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- IEEE 802.1AS-Rev

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#### **4.17.4 Sequence of events**

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Sequence of events (SOE) is a mechanism to record timestamped events from all over a plant in a common database.

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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 ...

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

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Plant-wide precisely synchronized time (see Figure 23) 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;

- 897
- 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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## 902 **4.18 Redundancy**

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## 905 **4.19 Traffic Types - Concept Covered in 3.4**

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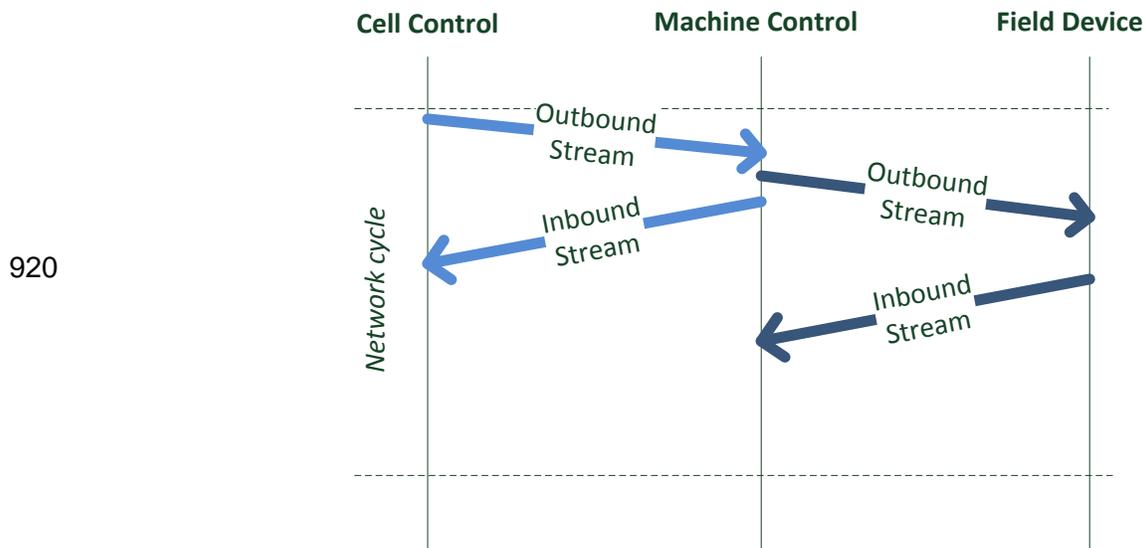
908 **4.20 Other Important Concepts from Industrial**909 **4.20.1 Isochronous Traffic Type Properties**910 **Table 3 – Isochronous cyclic real-time and cyclic real-time traffic type properties**

Property	Description
<b>Data transmission scheme</b>	<i>Periodic (P)</i> - e.g. every N $\mu$ s, or <i>Sporadic (S)</i> - e.g. event-driven
<b>Data transmission constraints</b>	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>
<b>Data period</b>	For traffic types that transmit <i>periodic</i> data this property denotes according to the <i>data transmission constraints</i> : <p style="text-align: center;"><i>deadline</i>: application data deadline period, <i>latency, bandwidth or none</i>: data transmission period.</p> 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.
<b>Network access (data transmission) synchronized to working clock (network cycle)</b>	Indicates whether the data transmission of sender stations is synchronized to the working clock (network cycle). Available property options are: <i>yes, no</i> or <i>optional</i> .
<b>Application synchronized to network access</b>	Indicates whether the applications, which make use of this traffic pattern, are synchronized to the network access. Available property options are: <i>yes</i> or <i>no</i> .
<b>Acceptable jitter</b>	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, bandwidth or none</i> data transmission constraints this property is not applicable ( <i>n.a.</i> ).
<b>Acceptable frame loss</b>	Indicates the traffic pattern's tolerance to lost frames given e.g. as acceptable frame loss ratio range. The frame loss ratio value 0 indicates traffic types, where no single frame loss is acceptable.
<b>Payload</b>	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>

#### 911 4.20.2 Bidirectional communication relations

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

918 The cell control communicates with the machine controls of the machines also in a bidirectional  
 919 way.



921 **Figure 25 – Bidirectional Communication**

#### 922 Requirements:

- 923 • Support of bidirectional streams;
- 924 • Sequence of actions how to establish such streams;

#### 925 Useful 802.1 mechanisms:

- 926 • IEEE 802.1Q (usage of streams)

#### 927 4.20.3 Control Loop Basic Model

928 **Control loops** are fundamental building blocks of industrial automation systems. Control loops include:  
 929 process sensors, a controller function, and output signals. Control loops may require guaranteed low  
 930 latency or more relaxed bounded latency (see 0) network transfer quality.

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

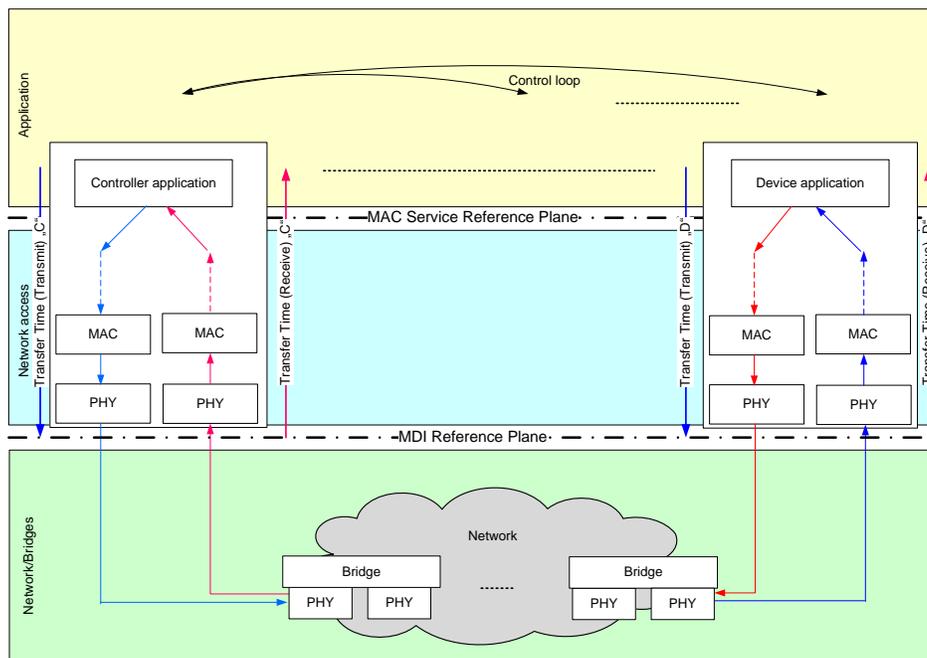
933 There are three levels of a control loop:

- 935 ■ Application - within Talker/Listener,
- 936 ■ Network Access - within Talker/Listener,
- 937 ■ Network Forwarding - within Bridges.

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

939 Application may or may not be synchronized to the synchronized Network Access depending on  
 940 the application requirements. Applications which are synchronized to Network Access are called  
 941 “isochronous applications”. Applications which are not synchronized to Network Access are called  
 942 “non-isochronous applications”.

943 Network Forwarding may or may not be synchronized to a working clock depending on whether the  
 944 Enhancements for Scheduled Traffic (IEEE Std 802.1Q-2018) are applied.  
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 947 **Figure 26 – Principle data flow of control loop**

948 Transfer Times contain PHY and MAC delays. Both delays are asymmetric and vendor specific.  
 949 Device vendors have to take into account these transfer times when their application cycle models  
 950 are designed.

951 **Table 4 – Application types**

Level	Isochronous Application		Non-isochronous Application		
<b>Application</b>	Synchronized to network access		Synchronized to local timescale		
<b>Network access</b>	Synchronized to working clock, Stream Class based scheduling, Preemption				Synchronized to local timescale, Stream Class based scheduling, Preemption
<b>Network/Bridges</b>	Synchronized to working clock	Free running	Synchronized to working clock	Free running	Free running
	Scheduled traffic + Strict Priority + Preemption	Strict Priority or other Shaper + Preemption	Scheduled traffic + Strict Priority + Preemption	Strict Priority or other Shaper + Preemption	Strict Priority or other Shaper + Preemption

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954 **4.20.4 Minimum Required Quantities**

955 The Industrial expected numbers of DA-MAC address entries used together with five VLANs  
 956 (Default, High, High Redundant, Low and Low Redundant) are shown in Table 5 and Table 6.

957 Table 5 may be implemented as FDB table with a portion of DA-MAC address (e.g. 12 bits of  
 958 Identifier and TSN-IA profile OUI) as row and the VLANs as column to ensure availability of a  
 959 dedicated entry.

960 **Table 5 – 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)

961 Expected number of entries is given by the maximum device count of 1024 together with the 50%  
 962 saturation due to hash usage rule. Table 6 shows the expected number of possible FDB entries.  
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964 **Table 6 – Expected number of non-stream FDB entries**

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

965 The hash based FDBs shall support a neighborhood for entries according to Table 7.  
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967 **Table 7 – Neighborhood for hashed entries**

Neighborhood	Usage
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.

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969 **4.20.5 A representative example for data flow requirements**

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

- 972 – Stations: 1024
- 973 – Network diameter: 64
- 974 – per PLC for Controller-to-Device (C2D) – one to one or one to many – communication:
  - 975 ○ 512 producer and 512 consumer data flows; 1024 producer and 1024 consumer data  
 976 flows in case of seamless redundancy.
  - 977 ○ 64 kByte Output und 64 kByte Input data
- 978 – per Device for Device-to-Device (D2D) – one to one or one to many – communication:
  - 979 ○ 2 producer and 2 consumer data flows; 4 producer and 4 consumer data flows in case  
 980 of seamless redundancy.
  - 981 ○ 1400 Byte per data flow

- 982 – per PLC for Controller-to-Controller (C2C) – one to one or one to many – communication:
- 983 ○ 64 producer and 64 consumer data flows; 128 producer and 128 consumer data flows in
- 984 case of seamless redundancy.
- 985 ○ 1400 Byte per data flow
- 986 – Example calculation for eight PLCs
- 987 →  $8 \times 512 \times 2 = 8192$  data flows for C2D communication
- 988 →  $8 \times 64 \times 2 = 1024$  data flows for C2C communication
- 989 →  $8 \times 64 \text{ kByte} \times 2 = 1024 \text{ kByte}$  data for C2D communication
- 990 →  $8 \times 64 \times 1400 \text{ Byte} \times 2 = 1400 \text{ kByte}$  data for C2C communication
- 991 – All above shown data flows may optionally be redundant for seamless switchover due to the
- 992 need for High Availability.

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

994 application process requirements.

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

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

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#### 998 4.20.6 Bridge Resources

999 The bridge shall provide and organize its resources in a way to ensure robustness for the traffic

1000 defined in this document as shown in Formula [1].

1001 The queuing of frames needs resources to store them at the destination port. These resources may

1002 be organized either bridge globally, port globally or queue locally.

1003 The chosen resource organization model influences the needed amount of frame resources.

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1005 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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1007 Formula [1] assumes that all ports use the same link speed and a bridge global frame resource

1008 management. Table 8, Table 9, Table 10, and Table 11 shows the resulting values for different link

1009 speeds and fully utilized links.

1010 The traffic from the management port to the network needs a fair share of the bridge resources to

1011 ensure the required injection performance into the network. This memory (use for the real-time

1012 frames) is not covered by this calculation.

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**Table 8 – 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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**Table 9 – 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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**Table 10 – 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 11 – 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 $\mu$ 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	125	All frames received during the 5%@1 ms := 50 $\mu$ 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	187,5	All frames received during the 5%@1 ms := 50 $\mu$ 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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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 management”:

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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 shall conform to the TSN-IA profile defined model with management defined limits and cycle times (see e.g. row Data period in Table 3).

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#### 4.20.7 VLAN Requirements

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<<creator’s note: This section is left in as something that needs to be defined for Automotive as the use cases and needs are very different from Industrial.>>

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