Field buses

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Communication of Embedded Devices

• With other embedded devices or with sensors.





Protocols

• Protocols are rules for data exchange between two partners on the same level (peer-to-peer).



ISO/OSI Layer model

- ISO: International Standards Organization
 OSI: Open Systems Interconnection Reference Model
- Recommendations for the structure and the course of the communication

between two or more computers

7	Application Layer	Provides network services to end-users (like E-Mail, distributed data bases)	Software
6	Presentation Layer	Converts local representation into canonical form and vice versa	
5	Session Layer	Allows applications on 2 different systems to establish, end and use sessions (log on/off),.	
4	Transport Layer	Error recognition and recovery; repacking of long messages and rebuilding.	
3	Network Layer	Establishes, maintains and terminates network connections. Routing; logical to physical address	
2	Data Link Layer	Packing of raw bits into message frames; placing bits of frames into the physical layer	
1	Physical Layer	Defines the cable or the physical medium itself, e.g. unshielded twisted pairs (UTP). All media are functionally equivalent. Differences in convenience, cost, maintenance	Hardware

- •Layer 5 to 7: Responsible for providing and getting data
- •Layer 1 to 4: Responsible for data transport
- •Field buses implement only layers 1, 2 and 7

Tasks and demands of field buses

- Mostly connecting processors and (simple) field devices
- Real-time conditions:
 - Deterministic access behavior
 - Cycle times from 1 to 10 msecs with 40 to 60 devices
 - Efficient protocol even with little data to be send
 - Priorities for messages
 - Optimization of cyclic messaging
- Many devices on the bus
- Other requirements:
 - Dependable in rough environments
 - Low costs
 - Simple and stable protocol

Connection structures

• Peer-to-peer, full duplex



□No conflicts

• Peer-to-peer, half duplex



Conflicts when writing at the same time
Simultaneous usage must be avoided by some access strategy (arbitration).

Connection structures

- Ring structure
 - Participants are connected to a closed transfer ring
 - Data runs through the ring and is deleted again by the sender
 - Arbitration mostly by tokens
 - Ring does not mean a continuous loop of cable
 - Example: Token-Ring



Connection structures

• Bus structure



- Arbitration necessary
- Examples: CSMA/CD (Ethernet), CAN-Bus
- Note: Ethernet is not real-time capable since delay times can be arbitrarily high in case of high load

Bus structure

- Advantages:
 - Versatility:
 - new devices can be added easily
 - peripherals can be moved between systems with the same bus
 - Low costs
 - a single set of wires is shared in multiple ways
- Disadvantages:
 - It creates a communication bottleneck
 - Maximum bus speed is limited by
 - number of nodes
 - length of the bus
 - (support for devices with different latencies/ data transfer rates)

Bus access

- Frequency multiplexing
 - No real arbitration
 - One or more participant(s) per channel
- Time multiplexing
 - Central arbitration
 - Bus-arbiter
 - Daisy-Chain
 - Master-Slave
 - Decentral arbitration
 - Token passing
 - Special solutions (CAN-Bus)
 - Random access
 - Without reservation (CSMA/CD)
 - With reservation (Multi level multi access)

Field buses in the automotive industry



CAN-Bus

- CAN = Controller Area Network,
 - serial communications protocol
- Aims:
 - Reliable bus for connecting sensors, activators and cpus
 - Mainly used in automotive industry i.e. Anti-skid-systems
- Developed by Bosch in 1983
 - Licences to Siemens, Intel, Philips, Motorola, ...
- User organisation CiA (CAN in Automation)
- Standardized: ISO 11519 and ISO 11898 for layers 1 and 2
- Reference: Controller Area Network protocol specification, Version 2.0, Robert Bosch GmbH
 - (http://www.can.bosch.com)

CAN concepts

- Priorization of messages
- Guarantee of latency times
- Configuration flexibility
- Multicast reception with time synchronization
- System wide data consistency
- Multimaster
- Error detection and signalling
- Automatic retransmission of corrupted messages
- Error distinction

- Speed:
 - High speed: 125kbps to Mbps (up to 40m)
 - Low speed: 5kbps (10km) to 125kbps (~500m)
- Physical transmission layer not fixed
 - Two wire differential transmission (RS-485)
 - Single wire
 - optical
- Tasks:
 - Bit encoding and decoding
 - Bit timing
 - Synchronization
- CSMA/CA (carrier sense multi access / collision avoidance)

CAN layer 1: CSMA/CA

- A dominant D-Bit and a recessive R-Bit are implemented according to the bus gauge
 - D-Bit corresponds to a logical 0
 - R-Bit corresponds to a logical 1
- If two devices send at the same time, the D-Bit out weights the R-Bit
- The transmitter of the R-Bit can see the synchronous sending of the D-Bit on the bus gauge
- A station compares Ei with Si and stops sending if Ei<>Si

- Implementation of D- and R-Bit, i.e. wired-ANDcircuit
 - Transistor Ti conducts if Si = 0, then bus gauge = 0
 - So, D-Bit out weights R-Bit



CAN layer 1: Voltage (2 wires)





CAN layer 1: Arbitration

- A station may send if the bus is free (carrier sense)
- Any message begins with a field for unique bus arbitration containing the message ID
- The station with the lowest ID is dominant (D-Bit)
- So the lowest ID has highest priority
- Sending is not interfered since the propagation on the bus is much smaller than a duration of a bit

CAN layer 1: Arbitration

• Example



- Bit Timing
 - (nominal bit time) = 1/(nominal bit rate)
 - A NBT is divided in 4 segments:
 - Synchronization
 - Propagation Time
 - Phase buffer 1
 - Phase buffer 2
 - The sample point is between phase buffer 1 and phase buffer 2
- Synchronization
 - Hard synchronization in the synch_seg
 - Resynchronization after phase errors phase buffer 1 can be lengthened or phase buffer 2 can be shortened

CAN layer 2: Versions

- According to specification 2.0 there are 2 different versions of CAN
 - Version 2.0A which is similar to Version 1.0-1.2
 - Version 2.0B which has additional extended identifiers
- Complying with CAN 2.0
 - 2.0B active: works with 29bit identifiers
 - 2.0B passive: discards the additional 18 bits without error
 - a CAN 1.0-1.2 controller would detect an error when receiving an extended identifier

- Divided in 2 parts in version 2.0B: LLC and MAC
 - in 2.0A they are called object and transfer layer
- LLC = Logical Link Control
 - Acceptance filtering
 - Recovery management (from errors)
- MAC = Medium Access Control
 - Data de- and encapsulation
 - Frame coding (Bit-Stuffing, Destuffing)
 - Error detection and signalling
 - Acknowledgement
 - Serialization/Deserialization

A DATA FRAME consists of seven different bit fields:

DATA FRAME:

- IS: Interframe space
- SOF: Start of frame, one single D-bit, start only if the bus is IDLE, all devices have to synchronize to the leading edge caused by START OF FRAME.
- ID: Identifier (CAN 2.0A (standard) = 11 bit, CAN 2.0B (extended) = 29 bit)
- RTR: Remote transmission request
 - D-bit: data follows = DATA FRAME
 - R-bit: transmission request to receiver = REMOTE RAME
- DLC: Data Length Code = 6 bit, C[3] C[0] length of data array, MSB first
 - REMOTE FRAME: number of requested data bytes
 - C[5], C[4] are used for indicating extended IDs (2.0B)
- CRC: Cyclic redundancy checksum; 15 bit and a leading 0, sum and a R-bit delimiter bit
- ACK: Acknowledge (2 bits: ACK slot a and ACK delimiter)
 - The bit in ACK slot is sent as a R-bit and overwritten as a D-bit by those transducers which have received the message correctly.
- EOF: End of frame (7 R-bits)

Bit	>3	1	11,1	6	064	16	2	7
	IS	SOF	ID, RTR	DLC	DATA	CRC	ACK	EOF

- Maximum length of a message with 8 byte of data is 3+1+11+1+6+64+16+2+7 = 111 bits
- This is the maximum delay of a high priority message
- ID contains object marker so that the receiver recognizes the content of the message
- A station only reads the messages destined for it (acceptance filter)
- Acknowledgement: Sender sets **a** to R. If the CRC-check succeeds, receiver sets **a** to D. So the sender sees the D as a positive acknowledgement.

CAN layer 2: Errors

- There are 5 different, not mutually exclusive error types:
 - Bit-Error: detected by a unit while sending.
 - Bitstuff-Error: 6 equal bits in a row.
 - CRC-Error: calculation of the receiver differs with the CRC field
 - Form-Error: fixed-form bit contains one or more illegal bits
 - Acknowledgement-Error: no D bit during ACK slot
- Handling:
 - Each node has an error counter
 - Different errors increase the counter by different values
 - When exceeding some limit a node can be cut off
 - Errors cause a resending of the message

- CAL = CAN Application Layer
 - Specified by CiA in 1993
 - Intended to provide standard app.-indep. communication facilities
- Structure:
 - CMS (CAN based message spec.)
 - DBT Distributor
 - NMT network management
 - LMT layer management



CAN layer 7: Modules

- CMS
 - Objects are described by name, type, priority, minimum sending repetition
 - Usual services are Read, Write, Notify, Load and so on
- DBT
 - Dynamic assignment of CAN identifier to CMS object at initialization
 - System error detection
 - Simplifies usage of devices from different manufacturers
 - Net wide consistency of IDs for senders and receivers

CAN layer 7: Modules

- NMT:
 - Initialization, starting and stopping of processes on nodes
 - Detection of system errors
 - Read/Write of parameters on nodes during initialization
- LMT:
 - Setting up time parameters in layer 2

CAN layer 7: CMS services

• Local services: Executed by the CAL module itself



s.r. = service request

• Unrequested Services: CAL shows a detected event



s.i. = service indication

CAN layer 7: CMS services

Acknowledged services: Request by one server and response by one server



 Unacknowledged services: Request send over CAN-Bus to one or more servers



CAN layer 7: CMS model

CMS Basic Objects

- read only basic variables
- write only basic variables
- uncontrolled events
- stored events

CMS Enhanced Objects

- read/write basic variables
- read only multiplexed variables
- write only multiplexed variables
- read/write multiplexed variables
- controlled events
- domains

CMS Protocol

Encoding rules

CAN layer 7: CMS basic objects

- Read only variable
 - Only readable by the client
 - Read indication send to server process
- Write only variable
 - Only readable by the client
 - Write indication send to server process
- Uncontrolled event
 - Message of an occurred event is instantly send to all (at initialization time defined) clients
- Stored event
 - Properties of a read only variable
 - Possible additional "store and notify". All clients get a notification with an event value.

CAN layer 7: CMS basic objects

- Services for basic objects:
 - Message identifier also uniquely determines the basic object
 - Access of variables directly handled by the CMS
 - Servers can request "store" (local) or "store and notify" (no ack.), clients can request "read" (ack'ed)
 - Example: Application Y holds a basic variable Z (I.e. temperature value) which is peridiodically updated. X can always access Z by a read request and Y is informed.



- r.r. = read request
- rtr = remote transmit request
- u.r. = updated request
- r.i. = read indication
- r.c. = read confirmation
- d = CAN message with data

CAN layer 7: CMS enhanced objects

- Read/write basic variables
 - Specified in CAN message
- Multiplexed variables
 - More variables are packed to a CMS object
 - Structures and fields
- Domains
 - Data field > 8 bytes, I.e. for programs
 - Services like upload and download
- Controlled events (for synchronization)
 - Indication of an event can be shown or hidden
 - Exactly one server and one client

CAN layer 7: CMS enhanced objects

• Example:



- MUX: 0 basic variable or first element of one multiplexed variable; >0 index of a multiplexed variable. (<=128)
- c: request code (0 write, 1 read)
- r: result code (0 success, 1 failure)

Request Data: Data to be written if c=0

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Response Data: written data if c=0, r=0
read data if c=1, r=0
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error code if r=1
Embedded Systems 2002/2003 (c) Daniel Kästner.
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- Module A displays the current temperature:
 - F3 updates the temperature periodically
 - F4 rings an alarm when the limit is passed
 - F5 updates the display of the extreme temperatures
- Module B measures the temperature:
 - F1 reads the temperature periodically (sensor)
 - F2 determines the extreme values





- re.r = read event request
- rtr = remote transmission request
- re.i = read event indication
- se.r = store event request
- sn.r = store and notify request
- re.c = read event confirmation
- R = in/out of range
- V = value of temperature

curr.temp. = current temperature, stored event, structure: R (1Byte), V (2Byte)



- rv.r = read variable request
- rtr = remote transmission request
- rv.i = read variable indication
- uv.r = update variable request
- Min = minimum temperature
- Max = maximum temperature
- mi/ma.temp. = min. and max. temperature,

read only var., structure: Min (2Byte), Max (2Byte)



- mv.r = r/w mux variable request
- mv.i = r/w mux variable indication
- mv.q = r/w mux variable response
- mv.c = r/w mux variable confirmation
- cm = c (1Bit), mux (3Bit)
- rm = r (1Bit), mux (3Bit)
- T = temperature, r/w multiplexed variable
- T[0] = upper bound temperature
- T[1] = lower bound temperature

Field buses in the automotive industry



LIN

- LIN = Local Interconnect Network
 - Serial communications protocol
- Developed in 2000 by Audi, BMW, DaimlerChrysler, Motorola, Volcano Comm. Techn., VW, Volvo
- Speed up to 20kbps
- Aims:
 - Low cost automotive network
 - Quality enhancement (hierarchical vehicle networks)
 - Cost reduction (replacing existing low-end multiplex solutions)
- Reference: LIN Specification Package 1.2
 - http://www.can.bosch.com/LIN/LIN.html

LIN: basic concepts

- Single master / multiple slaves (no arbitration)
- Multi-cast reception with self synchronization
- Guarantee of latency times for signal transmissions
- Low cost single wire implementation
- Minimum cost for semiconductor components (small die-size, single-chip systems)
- Error detection and signalling
- Maximum devices: 60 (ID field 64, 4 reserved). No more than 16 recommended

LIN physical layer

- Single line wired-AND bus with pull-up resistors in every node
- Supplied by the vehicle power net (Vbat)
- Diode prevents ECU (electronic control unit) being powered from the bus in case of battery loss



LIN physical layer

- Synchronization is done at the beginning of each message in the synch field.
- Bit Timing:
 - Bit timing of the master used

LIN data link layer

- Single master no arbitration:
 - Only master node can send message header
 - Slave tasks respond to this header
 - Error occurs if more than one slave respond
- Safety
 - Monitoring ,should' and ,is' values
 - Checksum for data field
 - Double parity protection for id field
 - Errors are locally detected and provided on diagnostic request
- Fault confinement
 - Every node is able to distinguish short disturbances from permanent

LIN data link layer

- No acknowledgement
 - In case of inconsistency the master task can change message schedule
- Message filtering by id of the message
- Message frame:



- a byte field consists of a D bit, 8 data bits and a R bit
- between header and response is an in-frame response space
- ident field has 4 id bits, 2 data length bits and 2 parity bits

Next time:

