



Bosch's CAN bus

Investigation of the standard

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INTRODUCTION AND BASIC CONCEPTS

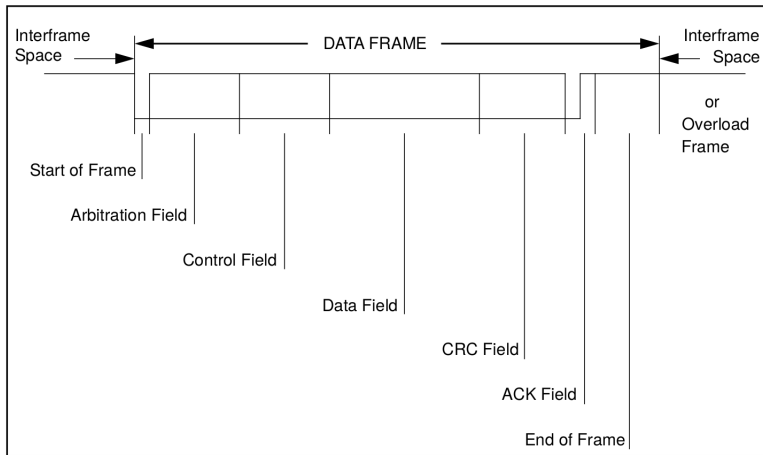
- ▶ Bosch documentation [1]

MESSAGE TRANSFER AND VALIDATION – 1

Overview:

- ▶ Information is sent in fixed format messages of different but limited lengths
- ▶ When free, any connected unit may send messages over the bus
- ▶ The content of the message is named by an identifier

MESSAGE TRANSFER AND VALIDATION – 2



MESSAGE TRANSFER AND VALIDATION – 3

- ▶ A unit sending a message is the “transmitter” of that message
- ▶ It stays transmitter, until the bus is idle or it loses arbitration
- ▶ A unit is called “receiver” of a message, if it is not the transmitter and the bus is not idle

CODING AND ERROR HANDLING – 1

Overview:

- ▶ Bit stuffing → control mechanism
- ▶ Distortions etc. → error handling to achieve error tolerance
- ▶ 5 different error types (Bit, Stuff, CRC, Form, ACK)

CODING AND ERROR HANDLING – 2

- ▶ Message passing mechanism, no additional structure needed
- ▶ Errors broadcasted when detected
- ▶ Semantics important for correct transmission
- ▶ Drivers: reliability, error limitation
- ▶ Problem: new error types?

FAULT CONFINEMENT

BIT TIMING REQUIREMENTS

- ▶ List of definitions and rules
- ▶ Strength: short, but includes everything important
- ▶ Weaknesses: almost text only, hard to read (structure), like a glossary
- ▶ Improvable by usage of more pictures and examples

CAN IMPROVEMENTS

CONCLUSION

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