

Testing of Automotive Systems (Part I)

Module 4 – CAN / LIN

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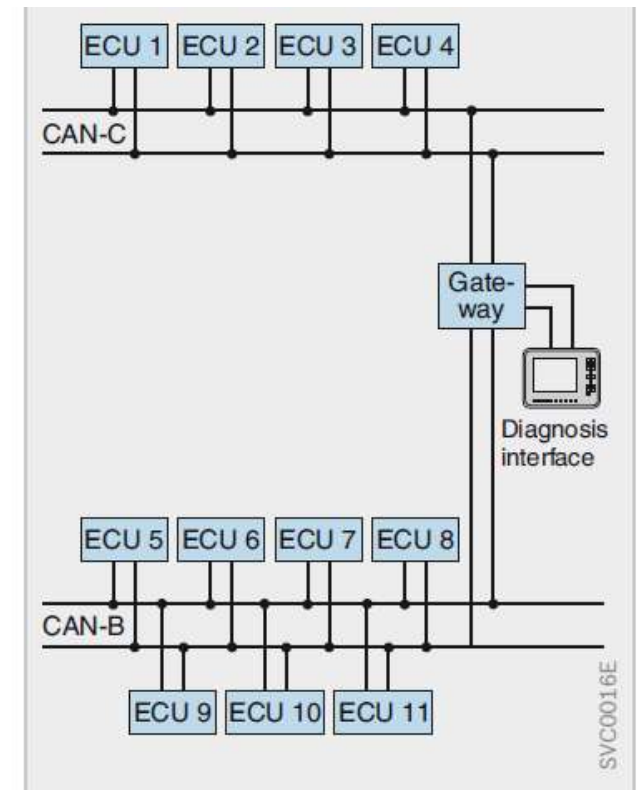
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CAN-BUS

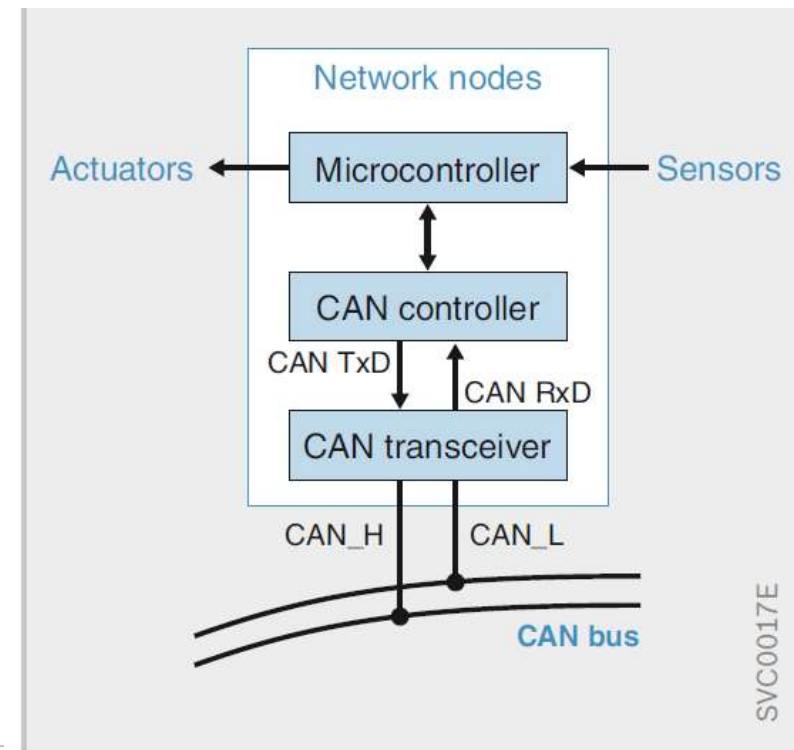
CAN-Bus

- Firstly introduced 1991, still standard in automotive
- Used in various domains in vehicles
- Different data rates are used
 - CAN-C 125kbit-1Mbit/sec
 - „high-speed CAN“ 500 kbit/sec
 - Still in almost every vehicle
 - CAN-B 5-125kbit/sec
 - „low-speed CAN“ 125 kbit/sec
 - More fault-tolerant
 - less used



Network nodes

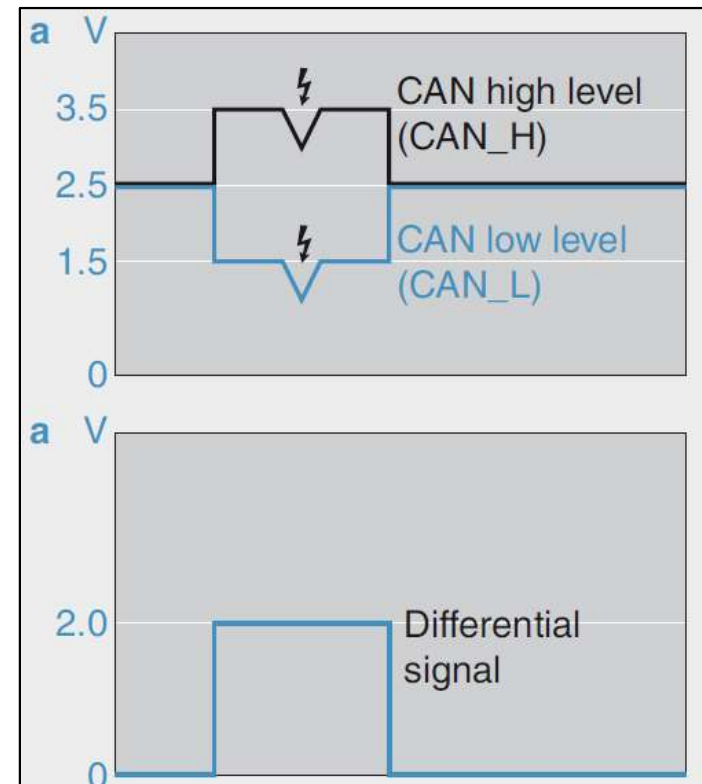
- All network nodes are connected to a bus and each node is able to receive all information sent on the bus
- The two bus lines are designated CAN_H and CAN_L
- A network node comprises of
 - Microcontroller
 - runs the application program
 - controls the CAN controller
 - prepares the sent data and evaluates received data
 - CAN Controller
 - responsible for the transmit and receive modes
 - generates the data communication bit stream
 - forwards it to the transceiver on the TxD line
 - CAN Transceiver
 - Signal amplification, generates voltage levels
 - transmits the processed bit stream serially



Logical bus states

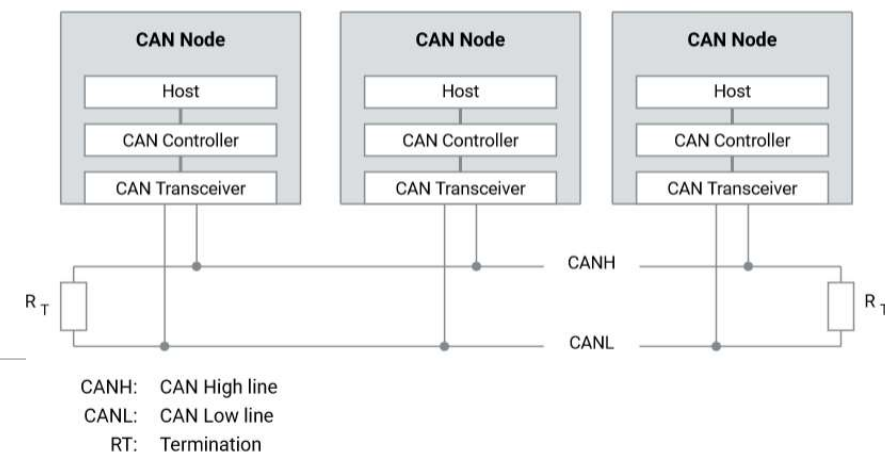
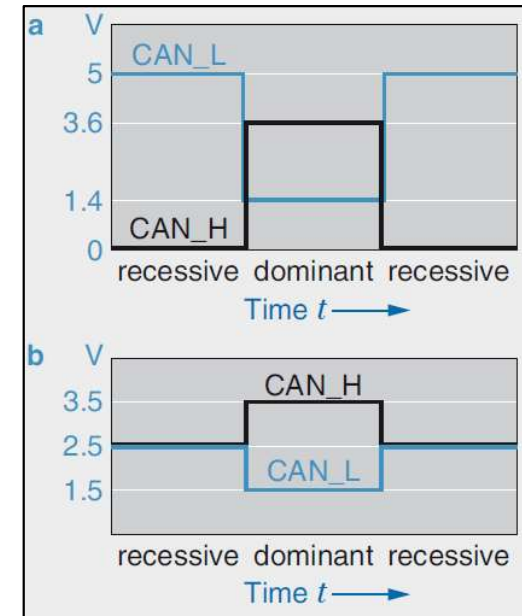
- Two states created by CAN controller
 - dominant binary “0”
 - recessive “1”
 - NRZ = non-return-to-zero
- Unshielded twisted pair cables (UTP, diameter between 0,34 and 0,6 mm²)
- Disturbance pulses have effect on both lines
- Differential amplifier subtracts CAN_L from CAN_H level
- Additional shielding reduce self emissions

CAN great benefit -> it is extremely robust because of twisted pairs.

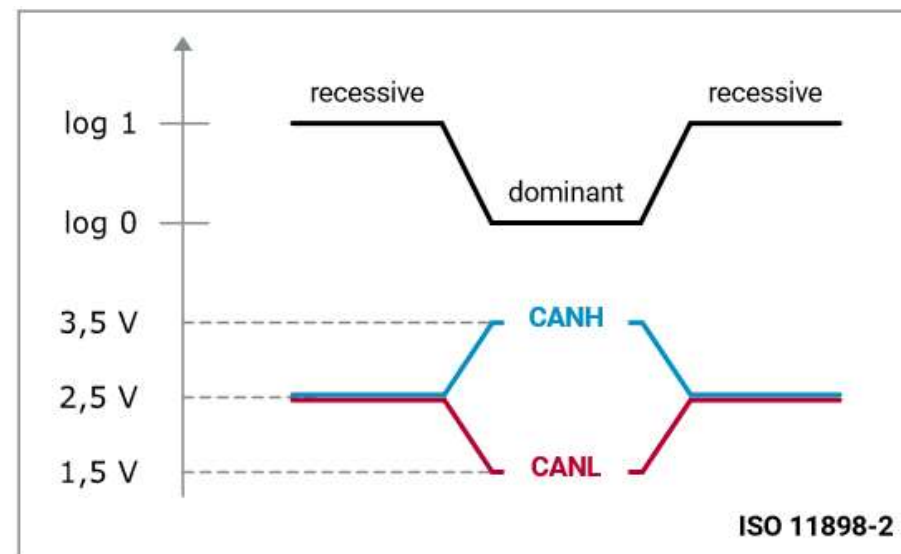
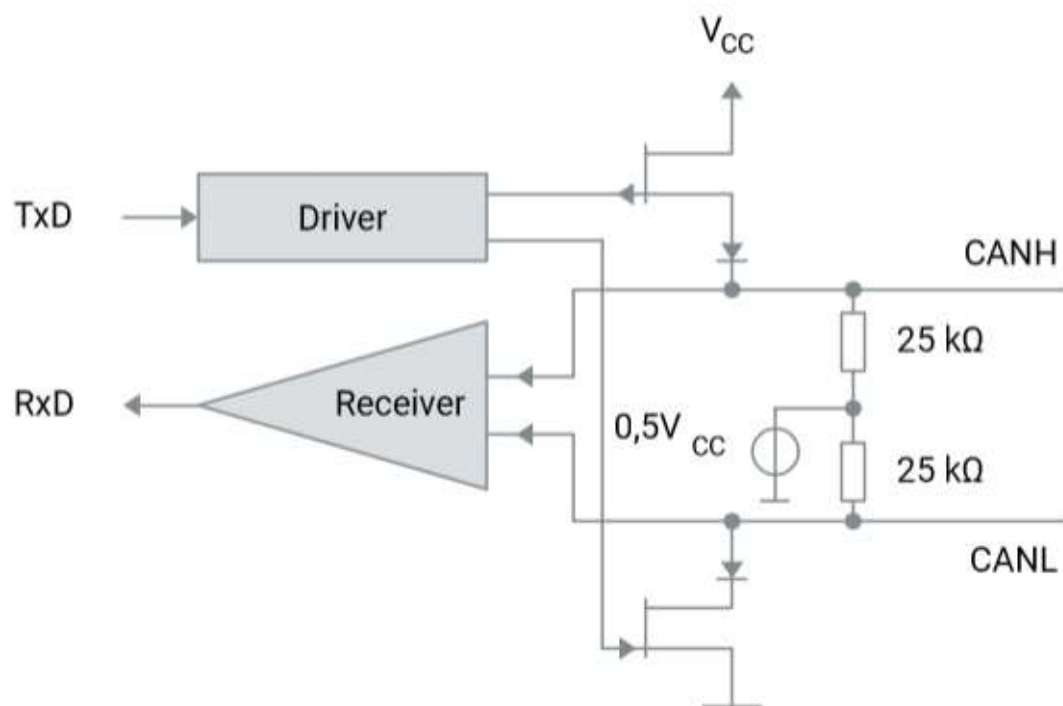


Electrical bus states

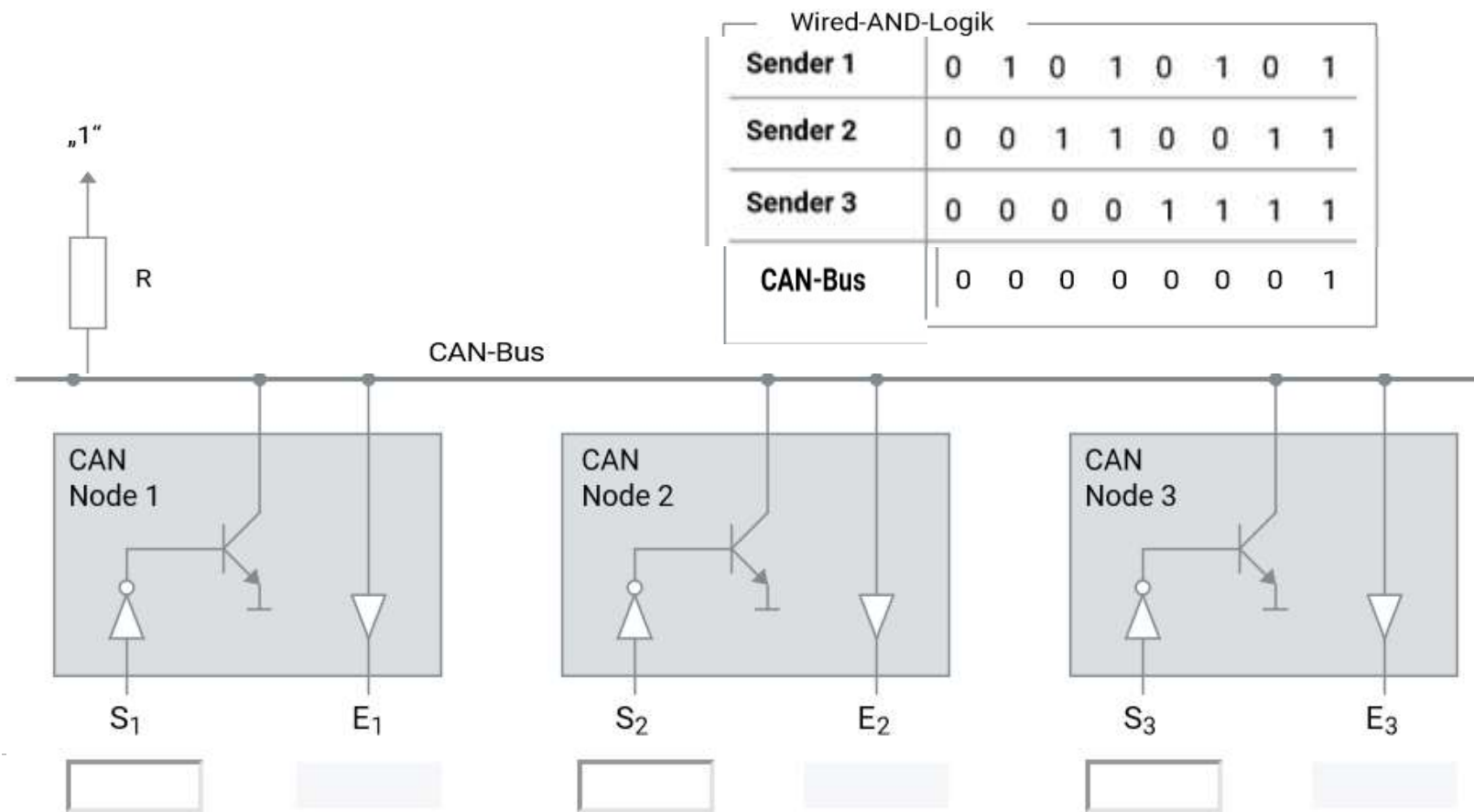
- CAN transceiver converts digital to voltage signals
 - Low-Speed CAN (a)
 - dominant CAN_H 3.6V / CAN_L 1.4V
 - recessive CAN_H 0V / CAN_L 5V
 - High-Speed CAN (b)
 - dominant CAN_H 3.5V / CAN_L 1.5V
 - recessive CAN_H 2.5V / CAN_L 2.5V
- Terminal resistor $R_T = 120\Omega$ to dampen reflections (b)
- Maximum number of nodes 32 according ISO11898
- Maximum bus length (recommendation)
 - 500kbaud 100m
 - 125kbaud 500m



CAN Tranceiver



Exercise: Open Collector Buslogic

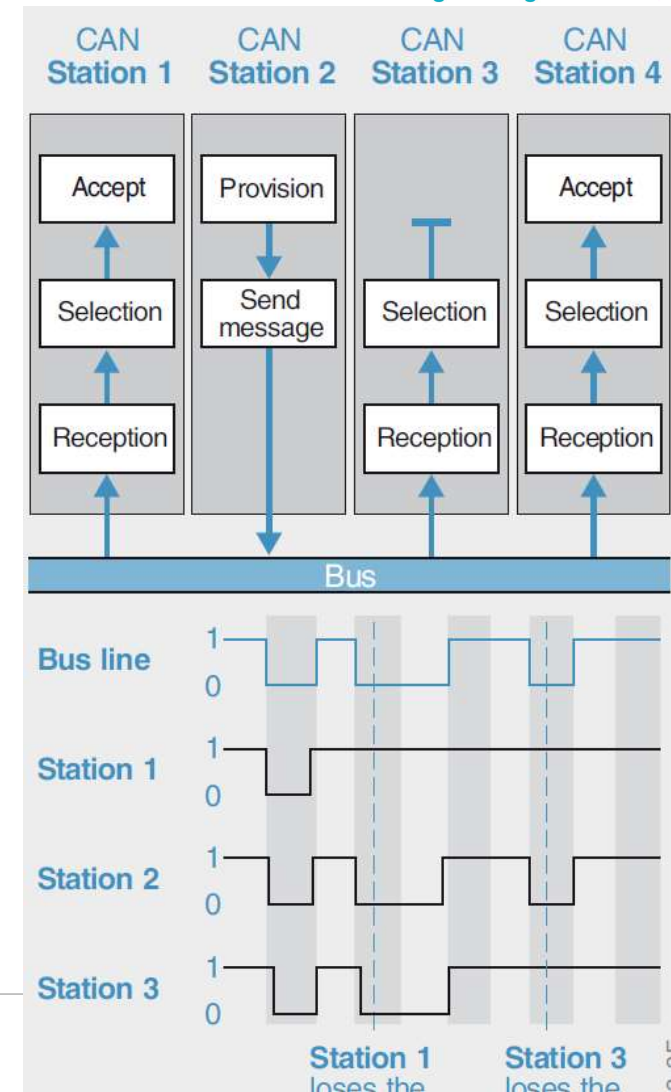


12 V
~ 0,7 V
~ 50 mA
~ 4 Ω
~ 0 V
~ 12 V
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As long as we have a zero on one it will be pulled to zero.

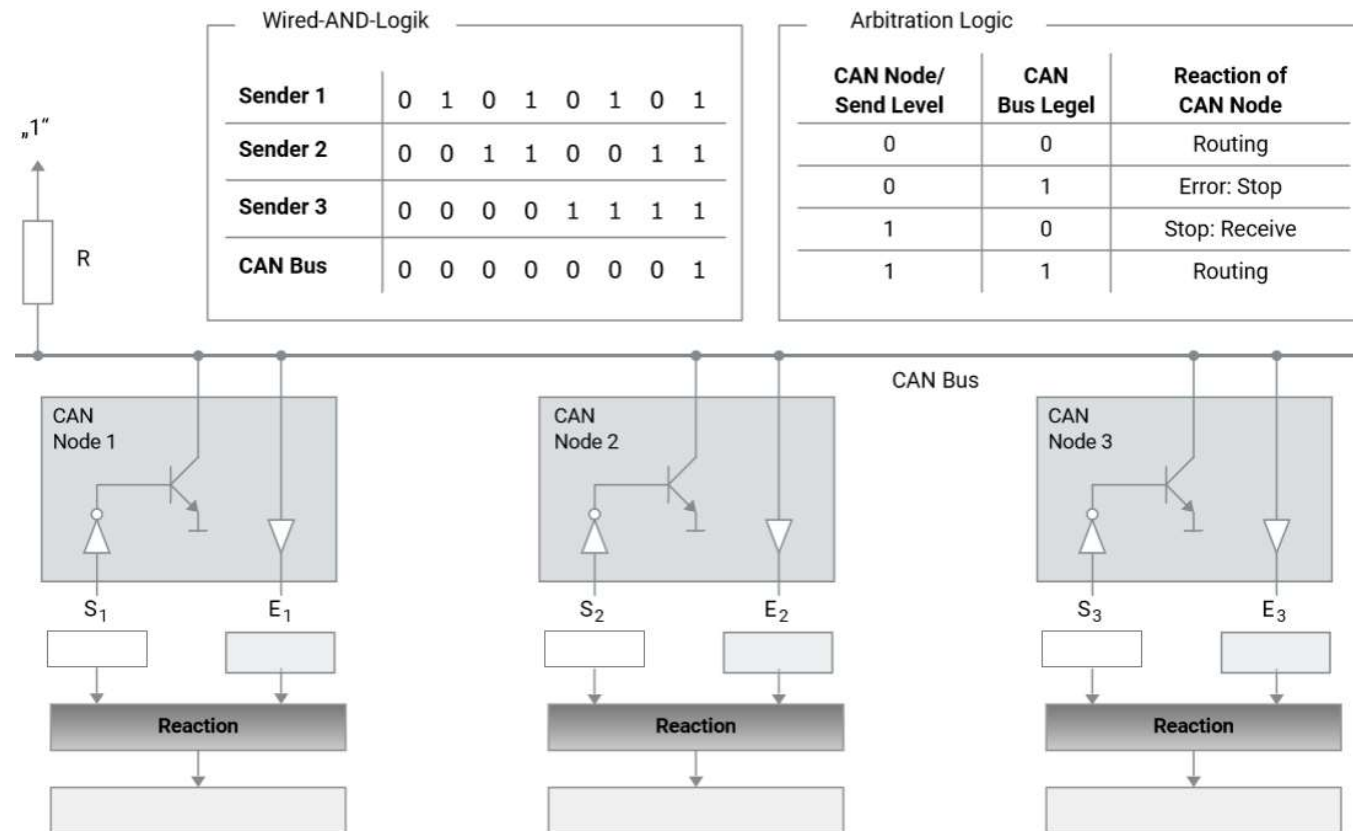
CAN Communication

- Multi-Master Principle
 - Each node may send messages any time
 - If bus is free and arbitration has been passed
- Content-based addressing
 - No addressing of nodes but of messages
 - Identifier classifies message content
 - Messages are broadcasted to all stations
 - Read only those messages which are stored in acceptance list
- Arbitration
 - Message begins with a dominant bit (start-of-frame bit), followed by the identifier
 - Message with highest priority is assigned first access
 - With highest priority bus access $\sim 300\mu\text{s}$
 - The higher the busload the bigger the latency



Arbitration and prioritisation

- Bitwise arbitration, wired-AND logic
- To get access to the bus a node needs message with the highest priority
- The smaller the Identifier value the higher the priority



CAN Message Format

- Data Frame
 - Transmitted message contains data (e.g. current engine speed) that is provided by transmitting station (data source)
 - Remote Frame
 - Stations can call-in data they need from the data source
 - Example: windshield wiper requests how wet windshield is from rain sensor
 - Error Frame
 - If station detects a fault or error
 - Overload Frame
 - create a delay between preceding and subsequent data or remote frame
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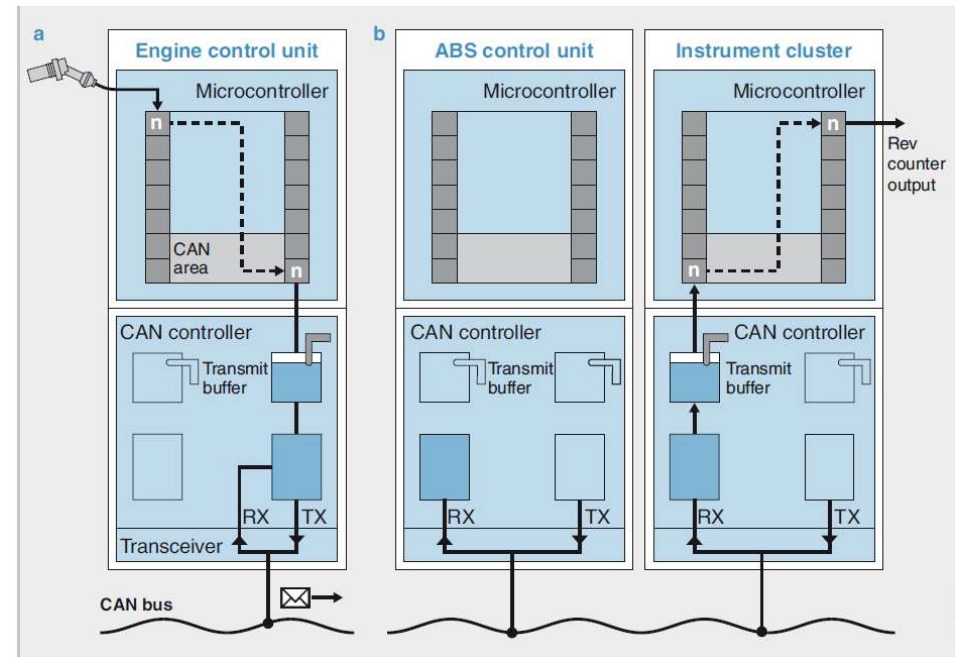
CAN Message Format

- SOF → start of frame represented by a dominant bit
- Arbitration field → 11-bit or 29-bit (extended) identifier and remote transmission request
- Control field → Identifier extension and number of data length code (DLC) in data field
- Data field → Actual message information 0...8 byte
- CRC field → 15-bit cyclic redundancy checksum (Generator polynom $G(x)$)
- ACK field → Divison frame/polynom → acknowledge receipt by the receiver
- EOF → End of frame with 7 recessive bits
- ITM → Interframe space, separate successive messages



Data transfer sequence

- Engine ECU calculates engine speed from sensor on microcontroller level
- CAN Controller compiles CAN frame and generates bitstream if bus is free
- Bus availability check via CSMA/CA (Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Avoidance)
- Transceiver generates electrical signal and puts it on the bus
- Signal is received by all stations
- CAN controller of receiving node checks message for errors and acceptance, reject or receives message

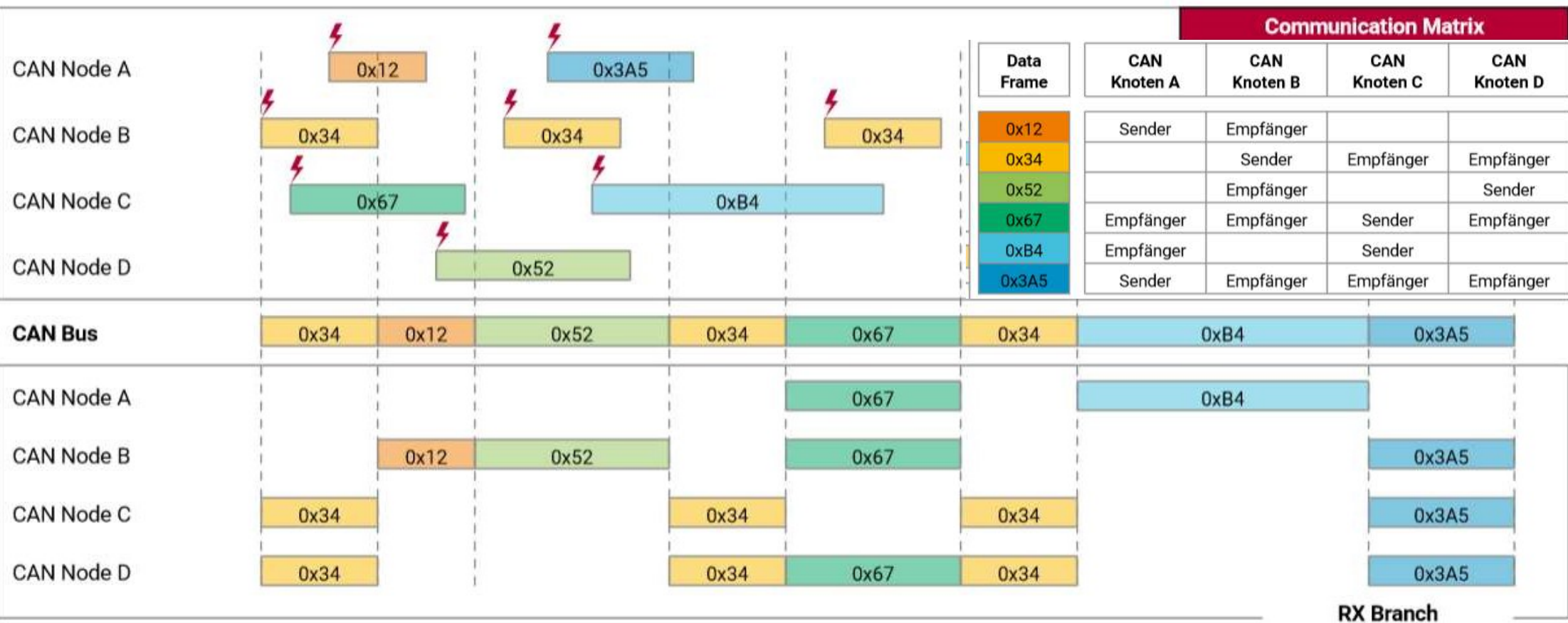


All transmitter/receiver relationships including the meaning of the messages are described in the **communication matrix**

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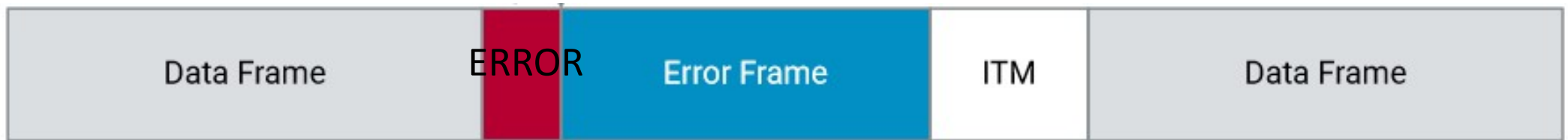
Now it is getting stressful, because the messages are higher and it happens that a lot of messages wait too long.

Exercise: Typical CAN-Communication



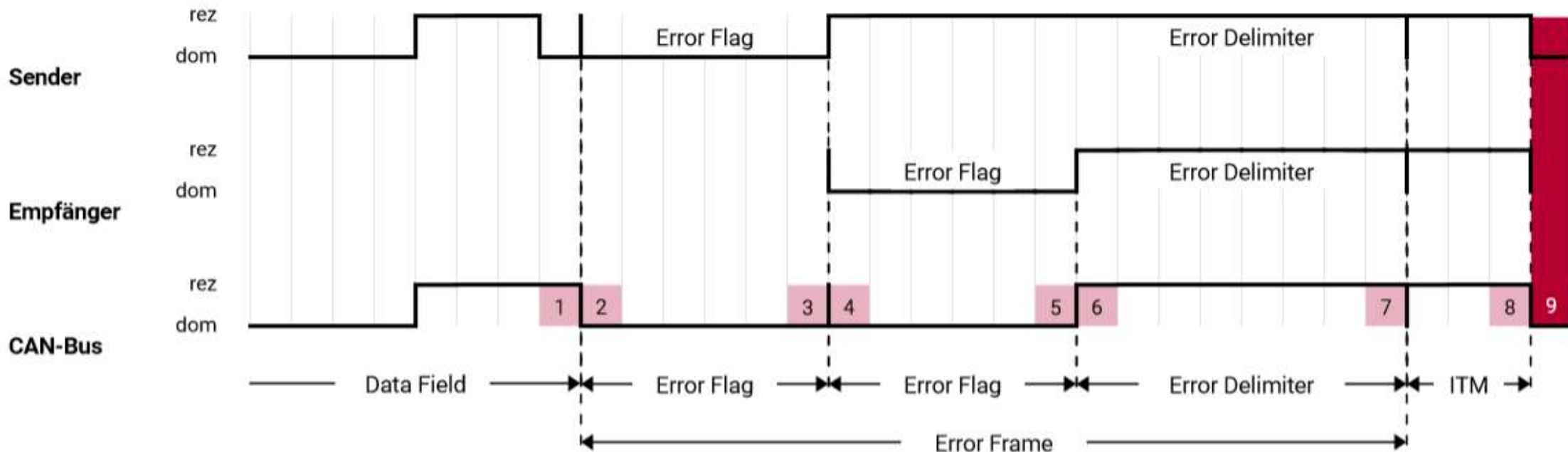
CAN Error processing

- If an error is detected by a node , message transfer is aborted
- All nodes have to be informed by the node who has detected the error
- Error flag is put on the bus by six dominant bits
- This is a violation of the bitstuffing rule
 - Bitstuffing rule: after five bits of same kind transmission of one complementary bit
- Violation of bitstuffing rule causes error flag at all other nodes
- After error flag, delimiter and intermission data frame is send again (if allowed by arbitration)
- Error counters detect recurring errors, CAN-Controller will be cut from bus at counter overload



Error processing

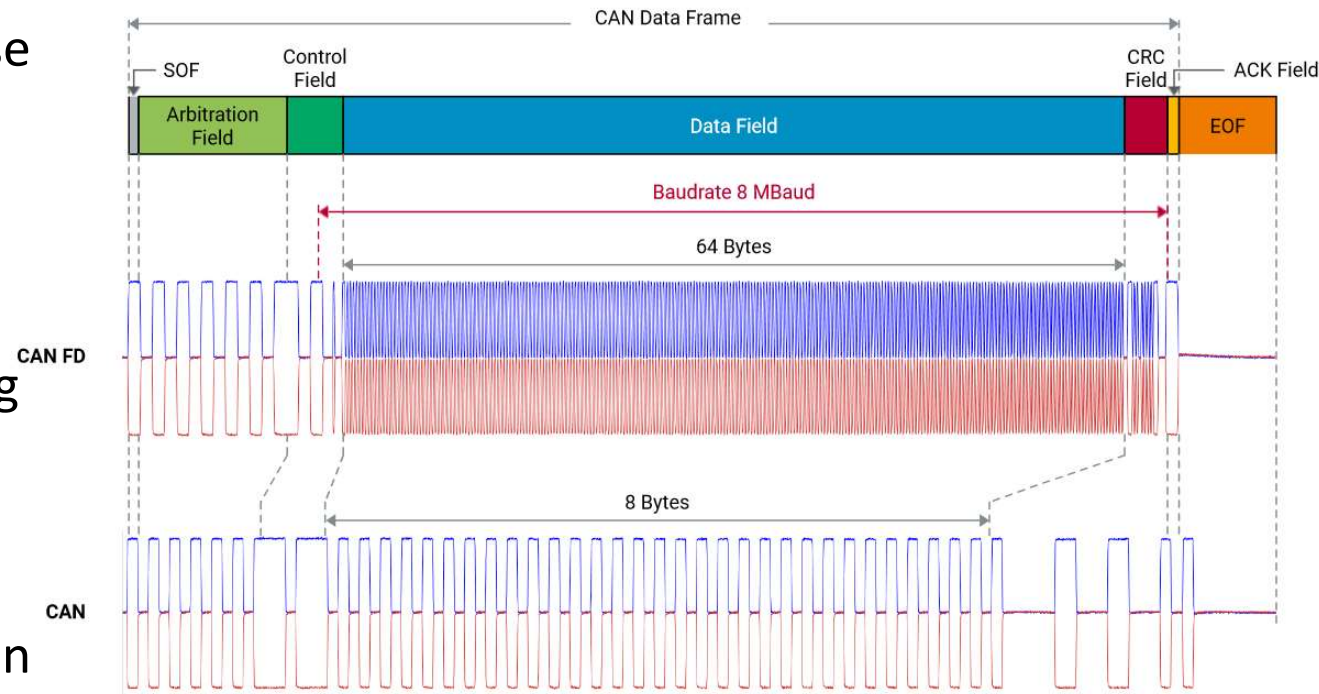
- 1-2 Bus monitoring error detected by sender, error flag set and bit stuffing rule violated
- 3-4 Receiver detects bitstuffing rule violation and sets error flag, sender in delimiter state
- 5-6 Receiver has finished error flag, both sender and receiver go in delimiter mode
- 7-9 Delimiter and intermission finished, data frame starts again with SOF



CAN-FD

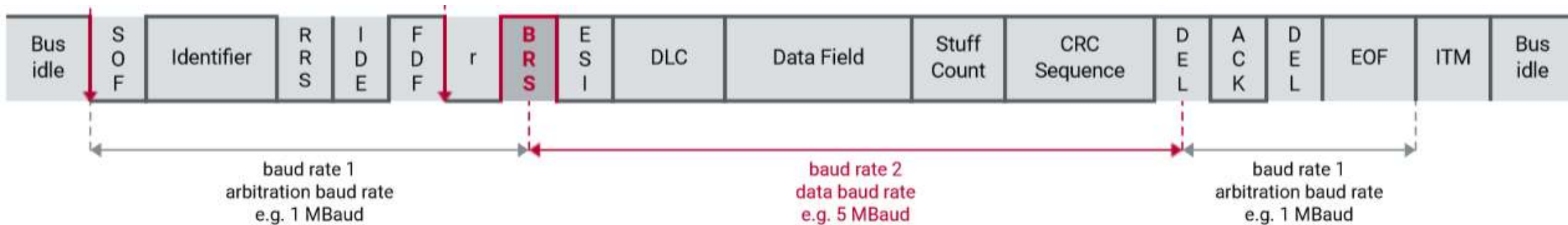
CAN FD Motivation and principle

- Bandwidth requirements increase due to additional vehicle functions
- General exchange CAN by other bus technologies with higher bandwidth not suitable regarding costs and development efforts
- Bandwidth limiting factor for CAN is parallel node communication during arbitration (and acknowledge ACK) period
- Idea: Increase the bandwidth only during data field



CAN FD Motivation and principle

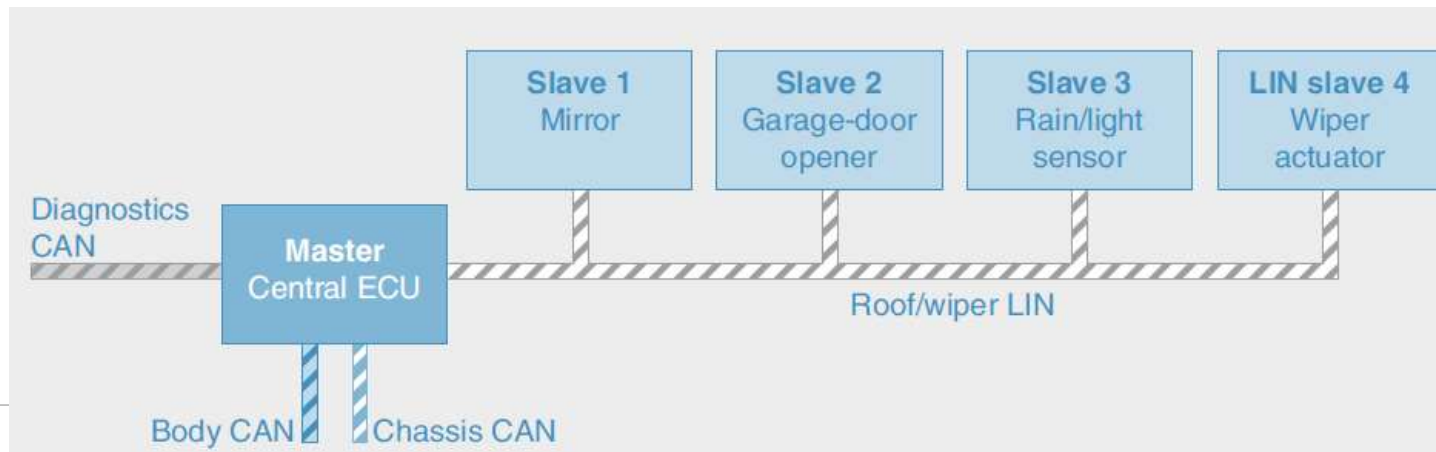
- CAN Reserve bit is used as CAN FD indicator
- FDF (Flexible data rate format) indicates transmission of CAN or CAN FD frame
- Bit rate switch (BRS) announces increase of baud rate
- Switch back to baudrate 1 at CRC delimiter
- Backwards compatibility to CAN, but no upwards compatibility



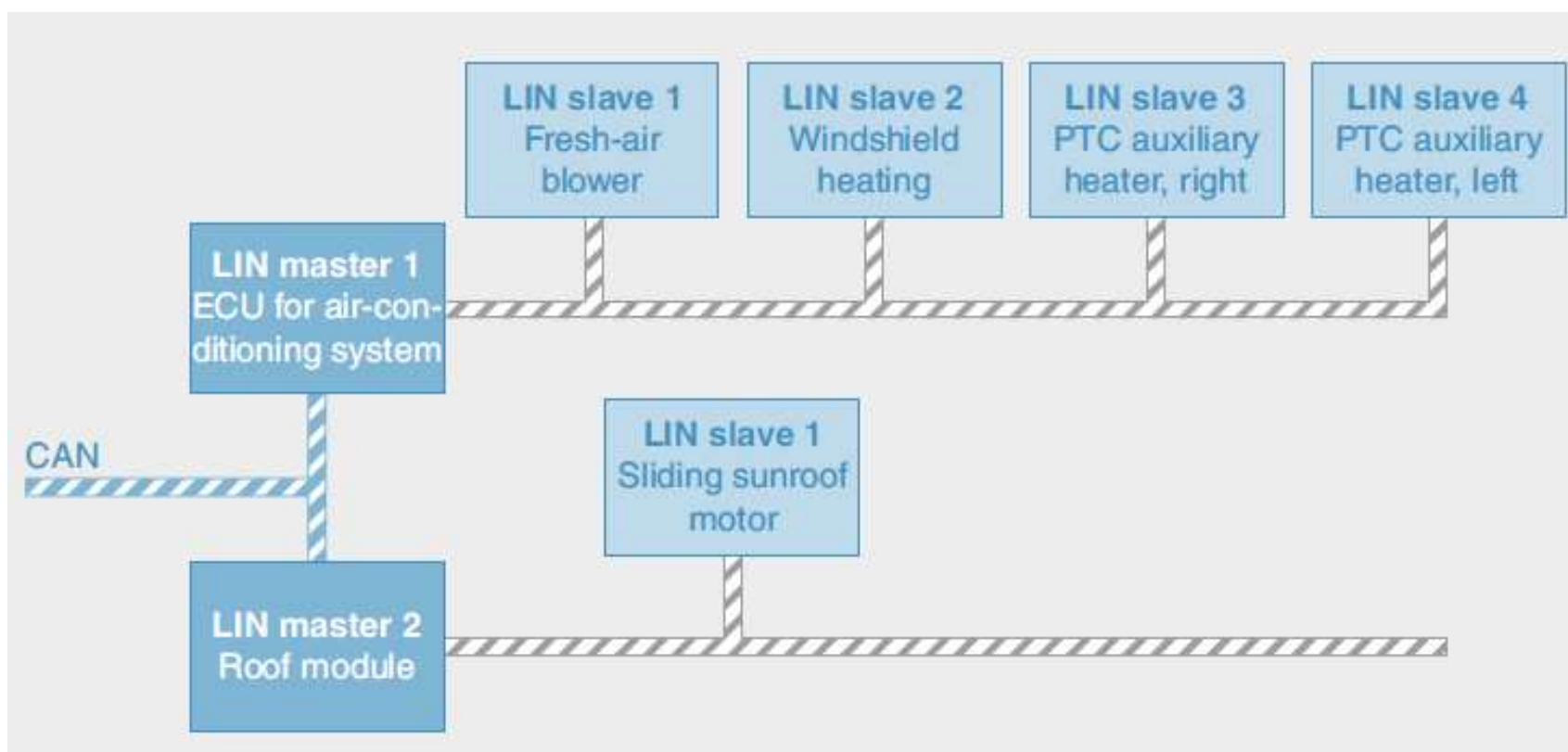
LIN-BUS

LIN (local interconnect network) – Bus

- Low-cost unshielded single-wire bus system
- Low data rates max 20kbit/sec and limited to 16 bus subscribers
- Local subsystem within demarcated installation space (e.g. door)
- Master/slave topology with connection to superordinate CAN
- Time-synchronous communication where master defines time grid
- Mainly comfort applications: Door modules, sunroof, seat adjustment etc.

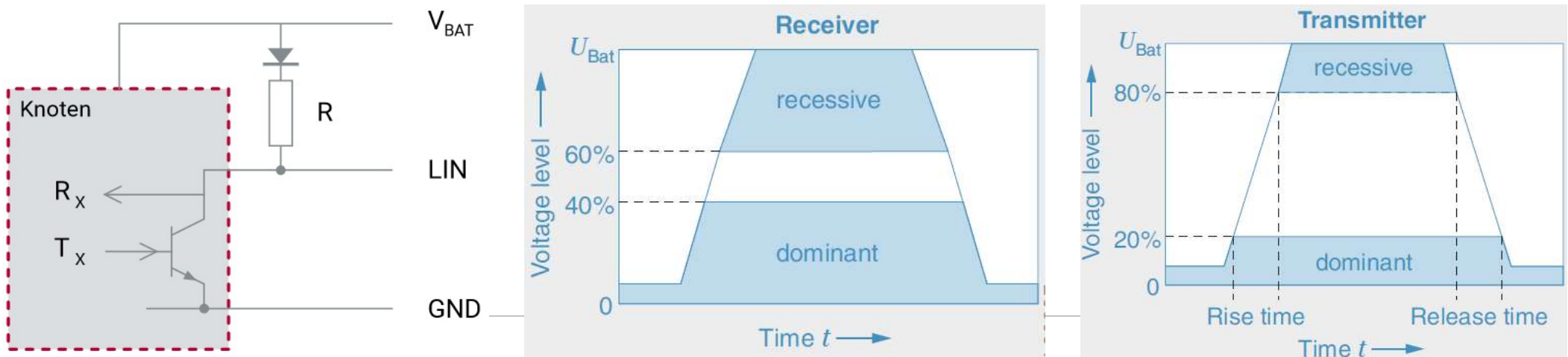


LIN networking example – AC control



LIN data transmission system

- Open collector circuit, wired-AND logic same as CAN
- Dominant level corresponds to $\sim 0V$ (vehicle ground) and represents logical 0
- Recessive level corresponds to V_{BAT} and represents logical 1
 - Pull-up Resistance $1k\Omega$ (master) and $30k\Omega$ (slaves)
- Stable data transfer by means of tolerance zones for transmitter and receiver
- Data rate limited to 20kbit/sec



LIN bus access – message format

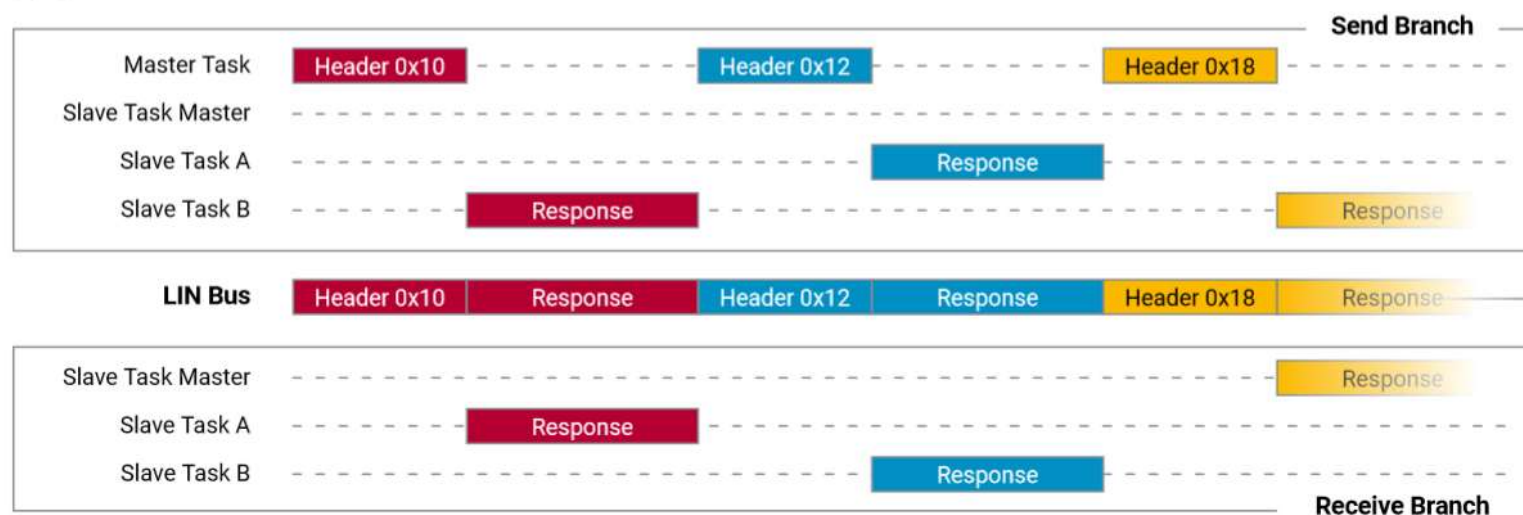
- Master initiates slave(s) response with frame header
- Slaves answer with frame response
- Deterministic „Delegated token“ bus access → No collisions or arbitration
- Predictable data transfer, defined schedule
- LIN configuration in *.ldf-file
- LIN standard describes several types of frames
- Several types of frame, unconditional frame described here, unique header and response



LIN Schedule

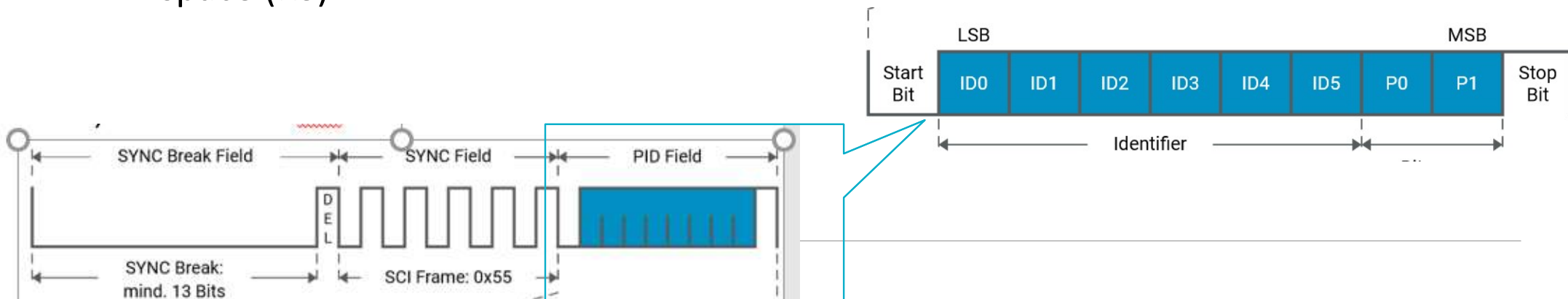
Communication Matrix

Schedule		Frame	Slave Task	Slave Task Master	Slave Task A	Slave Task B
T ₁	Frame Slot 1	Unconditional Frame ID=0x10			Receiver	Sender
T ₂	Frame Slot 2	Unconditional Frame ID=0x12			Sender	Receiver
T ₃	Frame Slot 3	Unconditional Frame ID=0x18		Receiver		Sender
T ₄	Frame Slot 4	Unconditional Frame ID=0x1C		Receiver	Sender	Receiver
T ₅	Frame Slot 5	Unconditional Frame ID=0x20		Receiver		Sender
T ₆	Frame Slot 6	Unconditional Frame ID=0x24		Sender	Receiver	



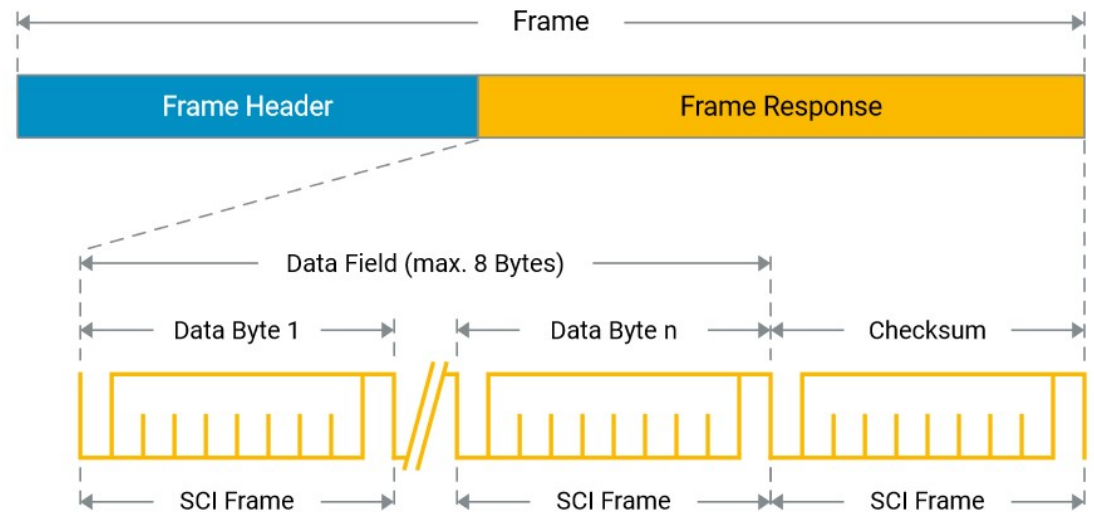
LIN Frame header

- Master task
- Sync break field initiates begin of the header
- Sync Field includes clock frequency and is used for synchronization with slaves
- Protected identifier (PID) field
 - Unique identifier for slave communication, defined in *Idf
 - 6-bit identifier + 2 parity bits
- Between header and response frame there is a pause time called response space (RS)



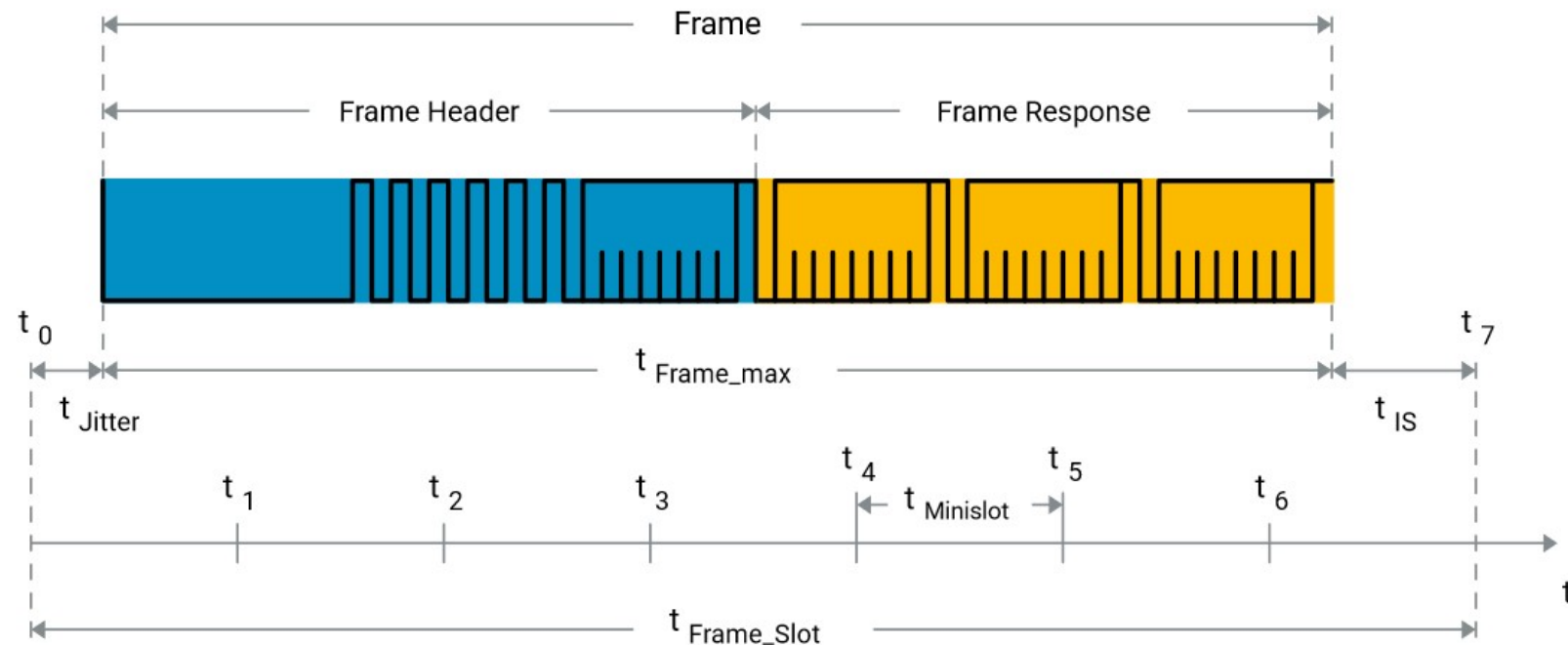
LIN Frame response

- Slave task
- Slaves answer with max. 8 byte response to the frame header (data field)
- Also slave task of the master can be accessed
- Bytes are transferred from LSB to MSB



LIN Frame – time base

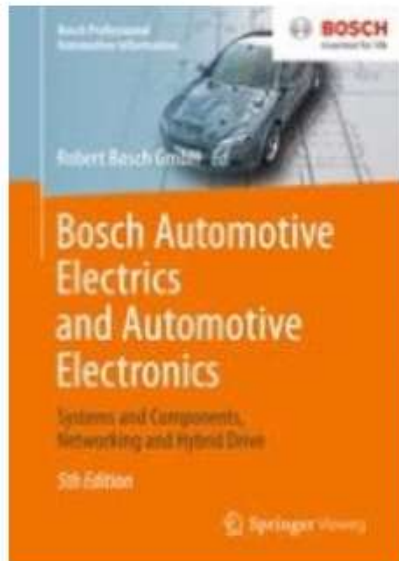
- The LIN schedule is organized in time slots to transfer one frame
- Size of the slots is defined by minislots as communication time base
- Time reserve to ensure communication (Jitter before and Interframe Space after frame) up to 40%



LIN Error Detection

- Bitmonitoring (sender task)
 - Compare each bit on the bus with bus level
 - Checksum (Receiver task)
 - Check of incoming data bytes w/o PID (classic/enhanced checksum)
 - Sum of received data and received checksum has to 0xFF
 - Parity check (receiver task)
 - Check of P0 and P1
 - Slave responding check (receiver task)
 - Check whether frame response after header is transferred
 - Sync field check (receiver task)
 - Check whether master sync rate is in between tolerance range
 - Reaction to errors part of individual design, not described in the standard
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