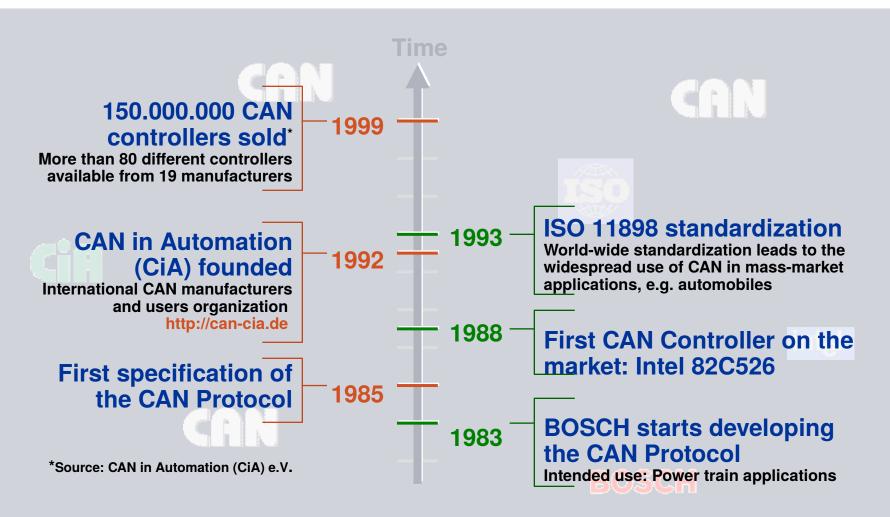






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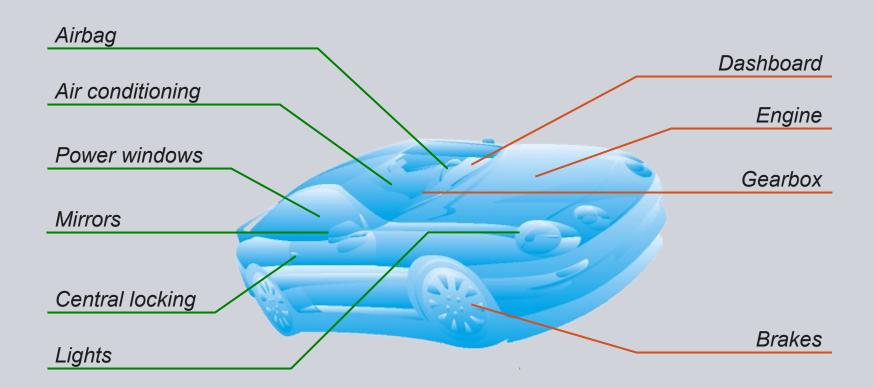


#### **Applications examples for CAN Bus**





#### Typical examples for CAN in automobiles



**Car Body components** 

Typically low-speed CAN Bus

**Power Train components** 

Typically high-speed CAN Bus



#### **Bus characteristics**

Serial data communications bus

Inexpensive and simple, but slower than parallel bus.

"Good" real-time capabilities

Small latency ("fast enough")

indispensable for automotive applications.



## Data rate dependent on bus length

Data rate: 1 Mbit/sec → Bus length: 40 meters,

Data rate: 125 kBit/sec → Bus length: 500 meters,

Data rate: 50 kBit/sec → Bus length: 1000 meters.

**Typical definitions:** 

Low-speed: 25 kBit/sec up to 125 kBit/sec. High-speed: 500 kBit/sec up to 1 Mbit/sec.



#### **Bus characteristics**

Multicast / broadcast philosophy

CAN messages do not include references to sender or receivers, but to information contents.



Bus access principle: CSMA/CA
Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Avoidance

Carrier Sense: Every node monitors the bus level, all the time.

Multiple Access: Every node can start a transmission any time

when the bus is free.

Collision Avoidance: When several nodes start transmission at

the same time, all but one withdraw from sending.



#### **Hardware characteristics**

Hardware message acceptance filtering

Only leaves messages through which are of interest for the node reduces CPU load.

Sophisticated hardware error management

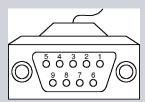
Combination of different error prevention and detection methods, automatic re-transmission of messages detected as erroneous very high transmission security among field bus systems.

Various transmission media

Twisted-pair (dual-wire) cable, single-wire cable or optical fiber.

Standardized connector

Recommended: 9-pin D-sub connectors (DIN 41652).





#### **Bus Systems**

#### Types of Serial Data Transmission

Serial data transmissions may be classified in:

#### Synchronous Serial Data Transmission

Data is synchronous transmitted to a clock signal (e.g. data shift register, I<sup>2</sup>C bus, etc.)



#### Asynchronous Serial Data Transmission

Transmitter and Receiver are synchronized via a start bit (e.g. RS232, CAN, etc.)





#### **Bus Systems**

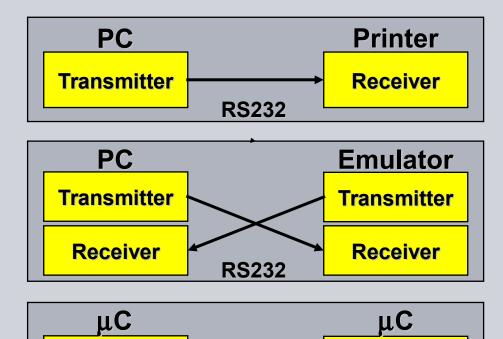
#### Types of Serial Data Transmission:

Serial data transmissions may also be classified in:

unidirectional

bidirectional full duplex

bidirectional half duplex



**CAN-Bus** 

Nur für internen Gebrauch

**Transmitter** 

Receiver

**Transmitter** 

Receiver



#### **Bus Systems**

#### **Serial Data Transmission with and without Protocol:**

Data Transmission without Protocol

=> only data frames:

RS232 e.g. UART/USART plus Transceiver

RS485 e.g. UART/USART plus Transceiver

Data Transmission with Protocol

=> Address + Data + Data-check + Signaling-information:

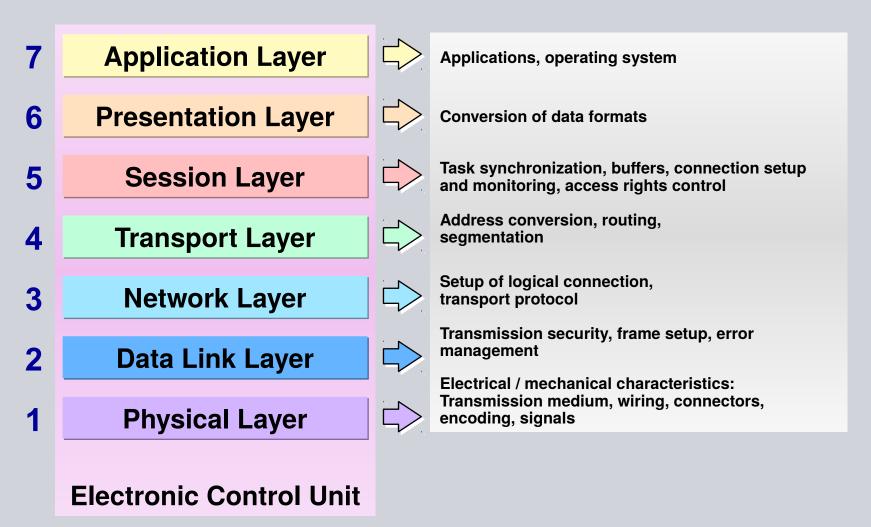
□ I<sup>2</sup>C e.g. I<sup>2</sup>C-Controller plus Transceiver

CAN e.g. CAN-Controller plus Transceiver

#### ISO/OSI Layer structure of CAN node



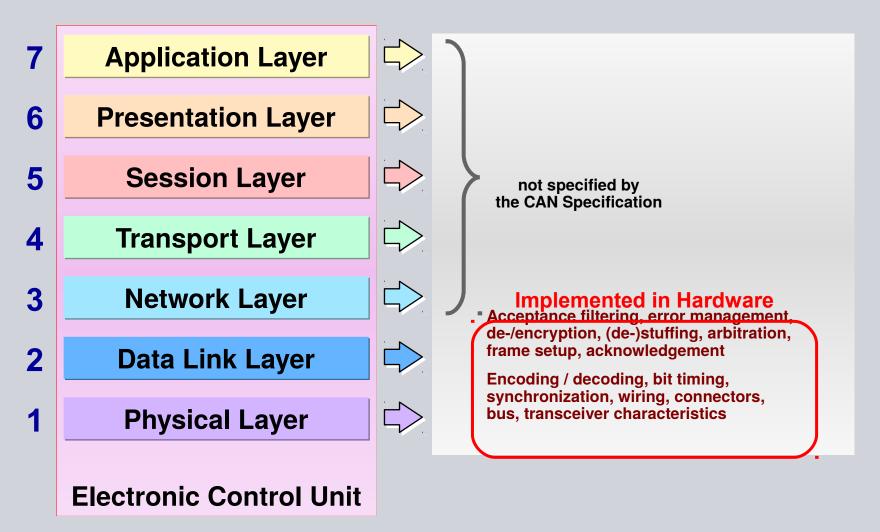
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#### ISO/OSI Layer structure of CAN node



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#### ISO/OSI Layer structure of CAN node



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7	Application Layer: Interface between the data communication environment and the application.								
ა. ა	Presentation Layer: Session Layer: Transport Layer: Network Layer:	Not explicitly specified in CAN							
2	Data Link Layer:	Logical Link Control (Object Handling)	Acceptance Filtering Overload Notification Error Recovery Management						
		Medium Access Control (Transfer Handling)	Data Encapsulation / Decapsulation Message Framing incl. Stuffing / Destuffing Medium Access Control incl. Arbitration Error Detection / Signalling / Confinement Acknowledgement Handling						
1	Physical Layer:	Physical Signalling	Bit Encoding / Decoding Bit Timing Frame / Bit Synchronization						
		Physical Medium Attachment	Driver / Receiver Characteristics						
		Transmission Medium	Cable Connectors						



#### How to remember the seven layers

7	Application Layer	AII
6	Presentation Layer	People
5	Session Layer	Seem
4	Transport Layer	То
3	Network Layer	Need
2	Data Link Layer	Data
1	Physical Layer	Processing

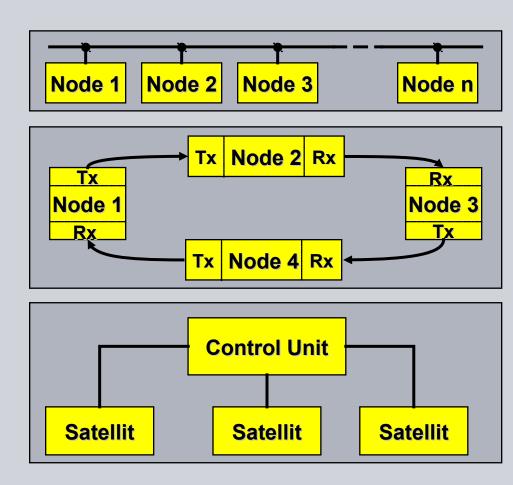


#### **Bus structure**

The most used bus structures:

- ➡ linear buse.g. Ethernet, PROFIBUS
- ring bus
  e.g. InterBus-S

bus star e.g. USB





#### **CAN Bus structure**

#### Linear bus structure

No star structure, no ring structure, no tree structure!





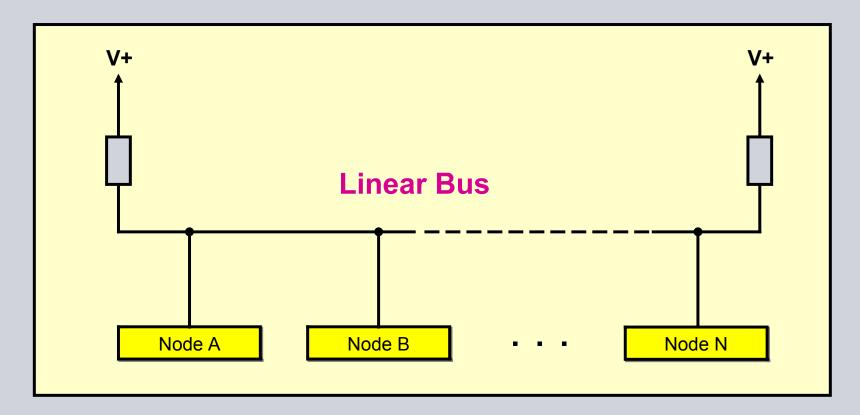






#### How the CAN networks works

CAN uses serial half duplex data communication with a linear bus structure

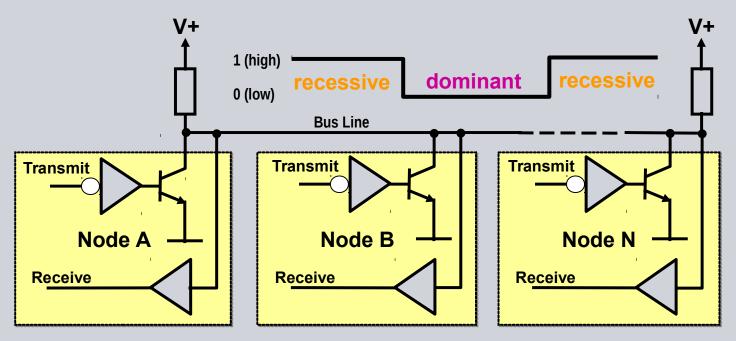




#### How the CAN networks works

## **Physical Transmission**

- Transmission with Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Avoidance CSMA/CA
- dominante Bits (low) win against recessive Bits (high) on the bus

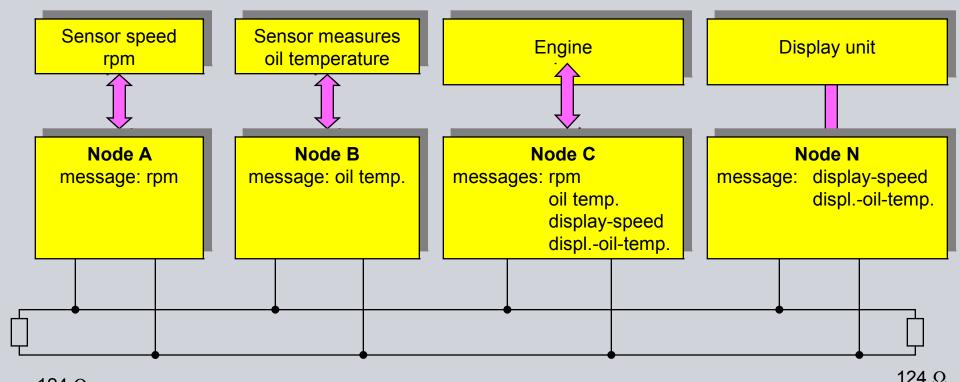




#### How the CAN networks works

CAN doesn't address stations with physical addresses, but instead of this the message gets an identifier

An identifier is used as in form of symbol on the programming level.





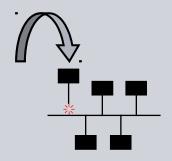
#### **Bus stations (Nodes)**

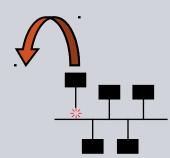
## Typically 3 to 40 nodes per bus

No limit for node number defined in CAN specification. Number of nodes depends on capabilities of CAN transceivers. Bus load usually gets higher with more nodes.

## Hot plug-in / plug-out

Connect / disconnect nodes while the bus is up and running.



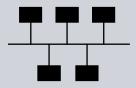




#### Advantages of the CAN bus

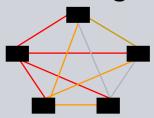
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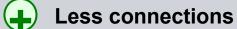


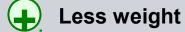
over

conventional cabling









Less EMI problems



Less space requirements



Easier addition of new nodes



Lower assembly costs



**Increased transmission reliability** 



#### **CAN Physical layer**

#### The Physical Layer is responsible for:

**Physical Signalling Bit Encoding / Decoding** 

**Bit Timing** 

Frame / Bit Synchronization

**Transmission Medium Cable** 

Physical Medium Attachment Driver / Receiver Characteristics

Connectors

There specifications concerning both the Physical Signalling and the **Physical Medium Attachment:** 

**CAN High Speed Transmission ISO/DIS 11898** 

**CAN Low Speed Transmission** ISO/DIS 11519-2

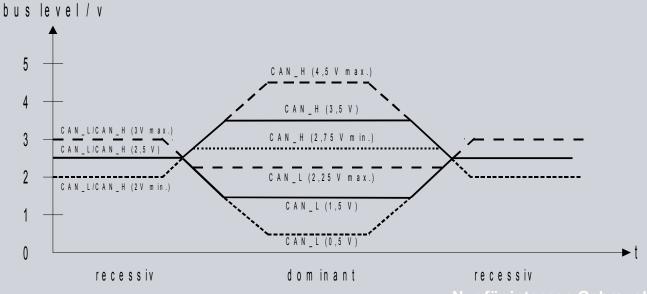
These Specifications do **not define** the **Transmission Medium** (Cable and Connectors)



#### **CAN Physical layer**

#### **CAN - Physical aspects**

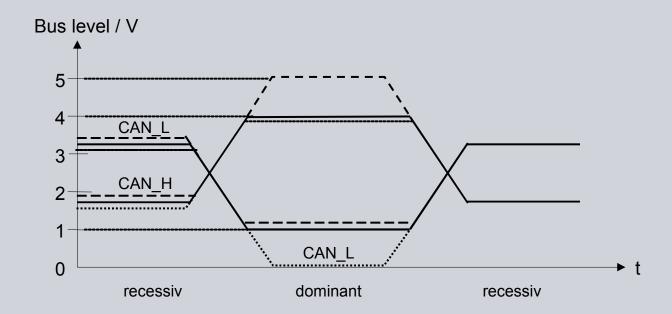
- Transmission rate up to 1 MBit/s needs bus driver circuits (transceiver) according to ISO/DIS 11898
- **→ CAN High Speed Transmission (ISO/DIS 11898)** 
  - Transmission rate 125 Kbit/s up to 1 MBit/s
  - max. bus length depend on transmission rate (e.g. 1 MBit/s max. 40 m bus length)
  - up to 30 nodes





#### **CAN Physical layer**

- **CAN Low Speed Transmission (ISO / DIS 11519-2)** 
  - Transmission rate 10 KBit/s up to 125 KBit/s
  - max. bus length depend on the distributed capacity of the line
  - up to 20 nodes

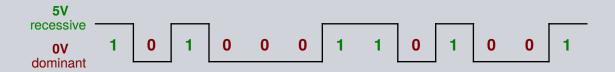




#### Signal coding

## NRZ (non-return-to-zero) coding

**Example: Voltage levels: 0V (dominant), 5V (recessive)** 



#### **Characteristics of NRZ coding:**

Voltage level stays the same for consecutive bits of same polarity.

#### Note:

Different voltage levels are defined for different purposes.





#### **CAN Protocol and Frame Types: overview**

Frame: "Envelope" for transmission data

**Exact frame format is defined in CAN specification** 

Note: CAN Frame ≠ CAN Message !!!

A CAN message can be spread out over several CAN frames

Four different frame types:

Data Frame: Transmission of regular data

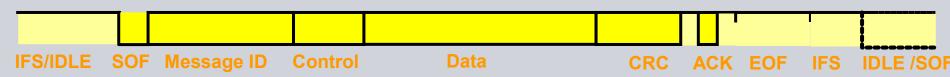
Remote Frame: Remote request for data transmission

Overload Frame: Indication of bus overload situations

**Error Frame:** Indication of transmission errors



## **CAN Message Format**



- Start of Frame (low)
- Standard CAN: 11 Bit Identifier
  - Extended CAN: 29 Bit Identifier
- Control Remote, ID-Extension, reserved Bit(s), Data Length Code
- Data 0 bis 8 Data bytes
- CRC Cyclic Redundancy Check + CRC Delimiter
- Acknowledgement Receiver Response + Delimiter
- End of Frame (7 bits recessive)
- ➡ IFS Inter Frame Space (3 bits recessive)
- □ IDLE/SOF Bus Idle Level or SOF of the next message



## **CAN Transmission Types**

Data Frame Transmission of up to 8 byte user data with Standard or Extended

Frame (Remote-Bit RTR = 0)

Remote Frame Destination node is able to require data from another node by

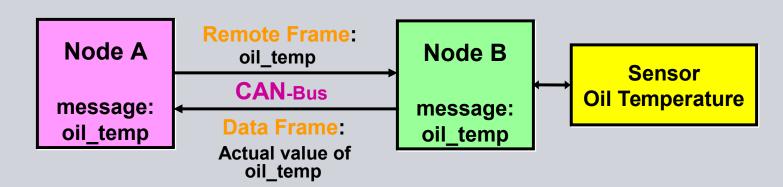
sending a Remote Frame (available with Standard and Extended Frames)

(Remote-Bit RTR = 1)

Error Frame Each CAN node detecting an transmission error sends an

"Error Frame" (Sequence of 6 bit with the same level)

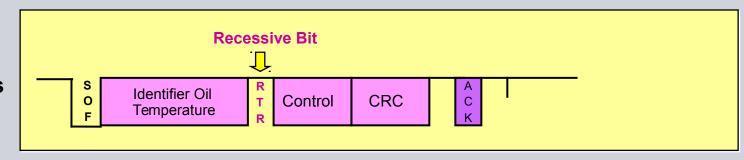
Example:





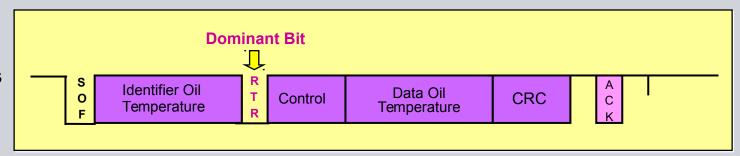
#### **CAN Remote and Data Frame**

Node A transmits Remote Frame (request data)



**Node B transmits** 

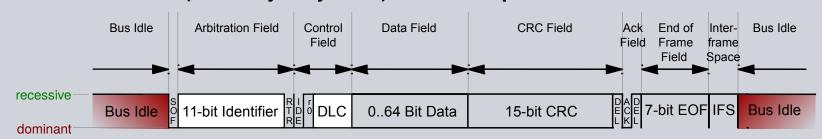
requested
Data Frame





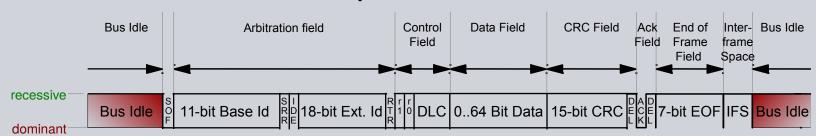
## Standard Format (CAN 2.0A): 11-bit Identifier

2<sup>11</sup> = 2048 (in reality only 2032) identifiers possible



## Extended Format (CAN 2.0B): 29-bit Identifier

**2**<sup>29</sup> = **5**36.870.912 identifiers possible



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#### **Data Frame Format**



### Start Of Frame (SOF) bit



- marks the start of any CAN frame
- is always a dominant bit
- provides a falling edge for hard synchronization of transmitter and receivers



#### **Data Frame Format**



#### **Arbitration Field**



- contains the Identifier (11 bit for CAN 2.0A) which is used for arbitration
- Identifier determines frame priority: low identifier = high priority
- the highest seven bits of the identifier must not be all recessive
- Remote Transmission Request (RTR) bit is always dominant in a Data Frame



#### **Arbitration on CAN**

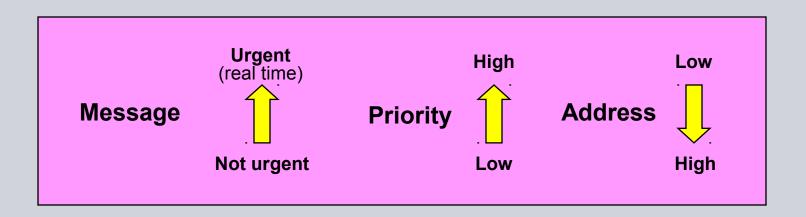
- Arbitration = the allocation of bus access rights
- Arbitration occurs when several nodes start transmission on the bus at the same time
- Arbitration procedure:
  - 1. All controllers monitor the bus while transmitting simultaneously
  - 2. A dominant bit ("0") pulls the bus voltage level to zero
  - 3. When a controller transmits "1", but observes "0" on the bus, it has lost arbitration
  - 4. Controllers who lost arbitration retreat immediately and retry later
  - 5. Arbitration is won by frame with lowest identifier = highest priority



#### **Arbitration on CAN**

#### **Message Prioritization**

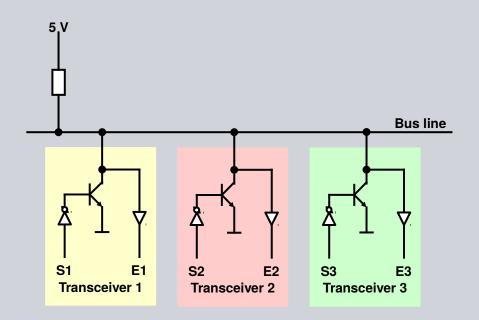
Each message includes an identifier. This identifier is used receive selected messages from the CAN bus data stream and for a simultaneous priority access of different messages.





#### **Recessive and Dominant bus levels**

## Hardware representation of recessive and dominant bus levels

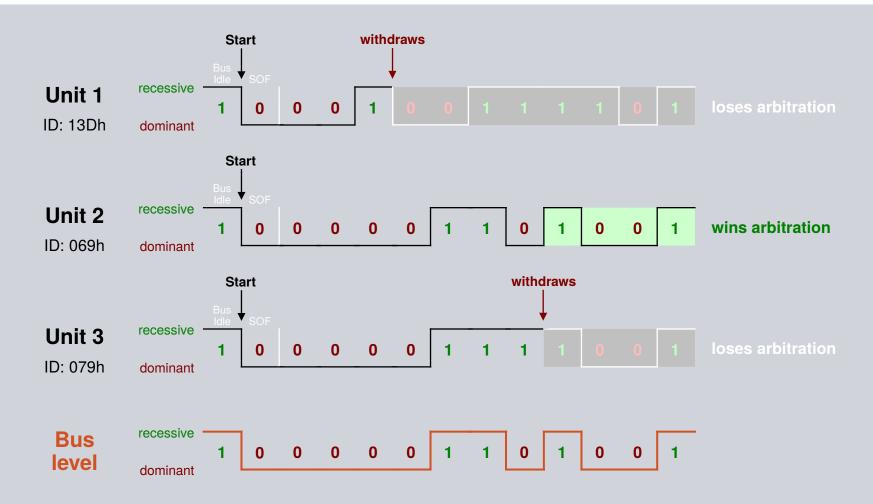


S1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
S2	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
S3	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Bus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

Wired-AND / Open-Collector circuit



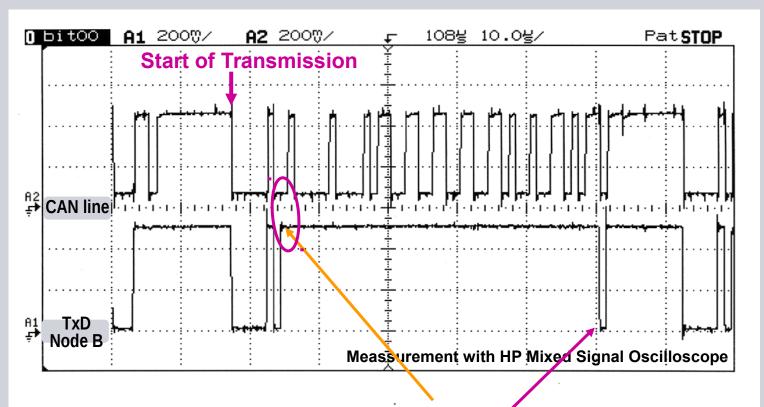
## **Arbitration example.**





## **Arbitration example.**

Example: Node A1 and A2 are accessing the CAN bus synchronously.



Node B: Loses arbitration because of a higher identifier than winning node.

Node B: Switches to receive mode and acknowledges the transmitted message.

Winning node: Transmits with a lower identifier wins arbitration on the CAN bus.

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## **Arbitration consequence**



# Consequence:

Frames carrying information of high priority should have a low identifier





## **Control Field**

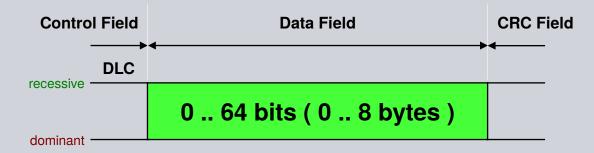


- Identifier Extension (IDE) bit is dominant for Standard Frames and recessive for Extended Frames
- r0 bit is not used ("reserved for future extensions")
- Data Length Code (DLC, 4 bits) indicates number of data bytes in Data Field; may take values ranging from 0 to 8, other values are not allowed





## Data Field

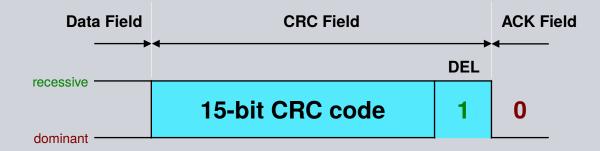


- contains the actual information which is transmitted
- number of data bytes may range from 0 to 8 in units of bytes
- number of data bytes is given in the Data Length Code (DLC)
- transmission starts with the first data byte (byte 0), MSB first





## **CRC Field**

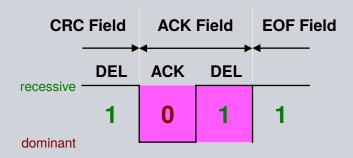


- contains the 15-bit Cyclic Redundancy Check (CRC) code
- CRC is a complex, but fast and effective error detection method
- the CRC Field Delimiter (DEL) marks the end of the CRC field
- the CRC Field Delimiter is always recessive





# Acknowledge (ACK) Field



- contains the Acknowledgement (ACK) bit
- the Acknowledgement bit can be dominant or recessive
- the ACK Field Delimiter (DEL) marks the end of the ACK field
- > the ACK Field Delimiter is always recessive



ACK Field 2 bit: ACK Slot and ACK Delimiter

Transmitter: recessive recessive

Receiver: dominant

Acknowledgement

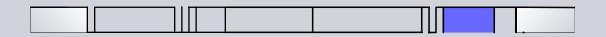
Each Receiver which received a valid message sends during the ACK slot a dominant bit.

Each Transmitter get the information that minimum one node received the message correct. If the transmitter gets no acknowledgement a retransmission is started.

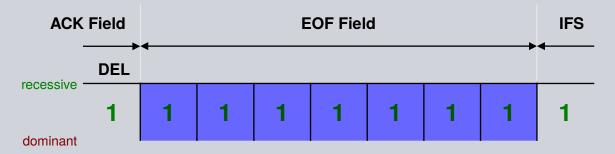
## A recessive ACK bit

- 1. could mean that no node received the frame without an error or
- 2. that no other node is connected to the bus





# **End Of Frame (EOF) Field**

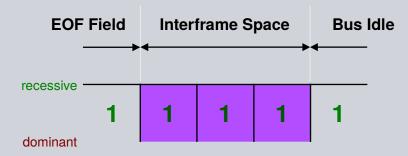


- consists of seven consecutive recessive bits
- marks the end of the Data Frame





# **Interframe Space (IFS)**



- consists of <u>at least</u> three consecutive recessive bits
- no transmission is allowed during the Interframe Space (IFS)
- is needed by controllers to copy received frames from their Rx buffers
- > ACK Field Delimiter + EOF + IFS = 11 consecutive recessive bits



## **Bit Stuffing: Motivation**

# **Problems when using NRZ coding**



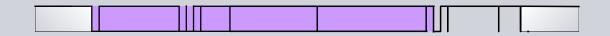
- long sequences of bits of the same polarity
- no changes in voltage level for a longer time
- no falling edges for synchronization
- synchronization between sender and receiver may be lost



## **Bit Stuffing : Solution**

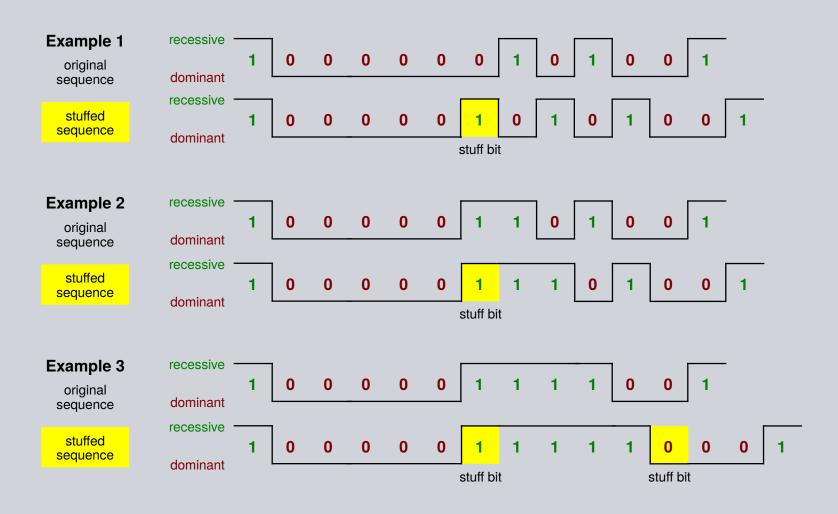
# **Solution: Bit stuffing**

- after five consecutive bits of same polarity, insert one bit of reverse polarity
- CRC code is calculated <u>before</u> bit stuffing is done
- bit stuffing is done by the sender directly before transmission
- de-stuffing is done by the receiver directly after reception
- CRC code check is done <u>after</u> de-stuffing the frame
- bit stuffing is applied to part of the frame from SOF to CRC field





## Bit Stuffing: example



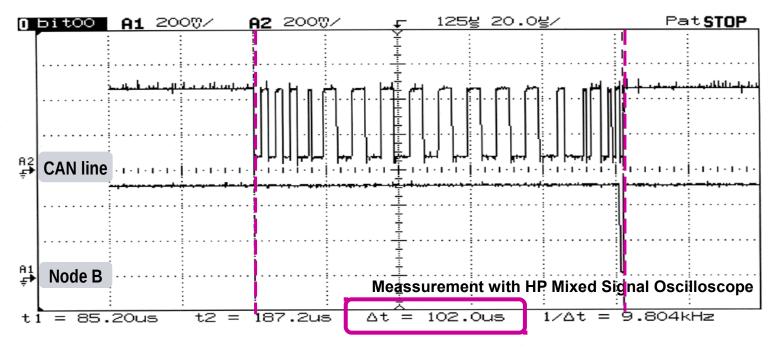


## Bit Stuffing: example

The contents of a frame - address, data, control, CRC bits - defines the absolute bit count.

Transmission of a frame with 8 byte data (F0 F0 F0 F0 F0 F0 F0 F0)

and address 333H. Absolute bit count: 102 Bits.

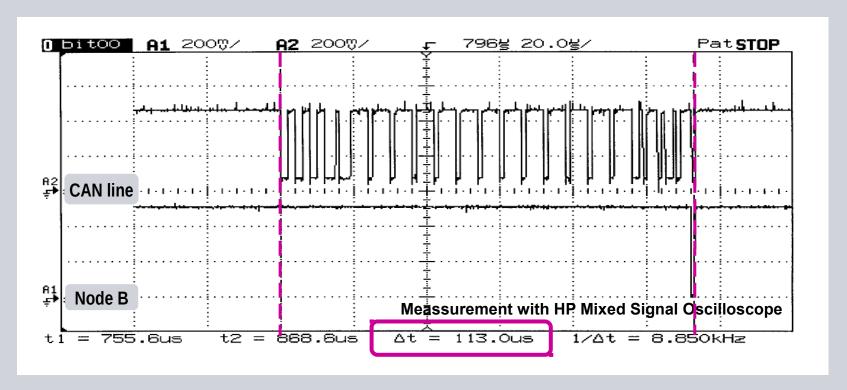


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## Bit Stuffing: example

Transmission of a frame with 8 byte data (FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF) and address 333H. Absolute bit count: **113 Bits** (**11 additional stuff bits**).





### **Data Frame Format: maximum size**

# **Maximum frame size (for 8 Data Bytes)**

	Standard Frame CAN 2.0A (11-bit identifier)	Extended Frame CAN 2.0B (29-bit identifier)
without stuff bits	111 bits	131 bits
with stuff bits	130 bits	154 bits



# **Error Management**





## **Error Management**

# Fault Types in a CAN Bus System

There are different types of faults in a CAN bus system:

- □ Global Faults:
- lead to a breakdown of the system wide communication (e.g. short circuits or interrupts of the line, deadlock of the bus due to a permanent transmitting node
- □ Local Faults:

- are limited to malfunctions of a node ore node components (e.g. interrupts in a bus connector, transmit problems of a transmitter, etc.)
- Temporary Faults: disturb the CAN bus system for a limited time
- Permanent Faults: disturb the CAN bus system all the time, they are not reversible



## **Error Management**

# Following error types are detected:

- Bit error transmitted and received bit are different
   (except in arbitration, acknowledgement and passive error)
- Bit stuffing error more than five bits of equal polarity inside of a frame are detected
- CRC error receive CRC code doesn't match with the calculated code
- ACK error transmitting node receives no dominant acknowledgement bit (no receiver accepts the transmission message)
- Form error fixed-form bit field contains one ore more illegal bits

  e. g. violation of end of frame EOF format, CRC- or ACK-delimiter



## Error type: Bit error

# **Error description**

The bit actually appearing on the bus is different from the one transmitted

## **Method of detection**

Sending unit constantly monitors the bus while transmitting

## Possible cause

Sending unit hardware is defective

# **Exceptions**

- Arbitration phase (unit loses arbitration)
- Acknowledgement bit (unit gets positive ACK from at least one receiver)
- Sending of a Passive Error Frame



**Error type: Bit error** 

# **Bit Error Monitoring Area**





# **Error type: Bit stuffing error**

# **Error description**

Data Frame contains six or more consecutive bits of the same polarity

## **Method of detection**

Receiver detects error when de-stuffing a received frame

## Possible causes

- Error of sending unit during bit stuffing and/or transmission
- Bit changed value during transmission, possibly due to EMI/RFI
- An Active Error Frame was sent

# **Exceptions**

Transmission of ACK delimiter, EOF field and Interframe Space (IFS):
11 consecutive recessive bits, bit stuffing does not apply to this section



**Error type: Bit stuffing error** 

# **Bit Error Stuffing Monitoring Area**





# Error type: CRC error

# **Error description**

CRC code calculated by receiver does not match received CRC code

## **Method of detection**

- Receiver calculates CRC code immediately after reception of the Data Field
- Receiver compares calculated CRC code with the one contained in frame

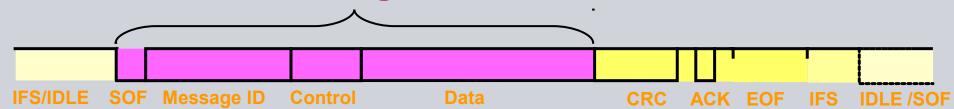
# **Efficiency**

- ▶ Recognizes up to 5 single bit errors per frame → Hamming distance: 6
- Recognizes burst errors with lengths of up to 14 bits
- Recognizes all odd numbers of bit errors
- The more bits the CRC code has, the more efficient it is



**Error type: CRC error** 

# **CRC Error Monitoring Area**





# Error type: ACK error

# **Error description**

Acknowledge (ACK) bit is recessive

## **Method of detection**

- Sender monitors the bus while transmitting recessive ACK bit
- Sender expects to observe dominant ACK bit on bus
- Acknowledgement error when ACK bit on bus remains recessive

## Possible cause

- No other nodes are connected to the bus
- Not one single receiver acknowledges that the received frame was error-free
  - → Cause of error is very likely to be found in sender



**Error type: ACK error** 

# **ACK Error Monitoring Area**





# **Error type: Message format error**

# **Error description**

Frame integrity is not preserved

## **Method of detection**

- Receiver checks received frames for bits or bit fields having a fixed value (e.g. SOF bit, CRC delimiter, ACK delimiter, EOF field, Interframe Space)
- Violation of frame integrity when wrong value in one of these fields

## Possible cause

- Transmission error, error in sender and/or receiver
- Transmission of an Active Error Frame during EOF field
- Transmission of an Overload Frame during Interframe Space (IFS)



# **Error type: Message format error**

# Form Error Monitoring Area



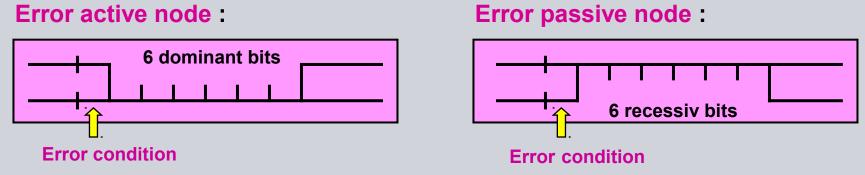


# **Error Handling**



## **Steps of CAN Error Handling**

- **→** Each CAN node which detects an error local or global error sends an error flag to inform all other stations about this error (globalitization)
- → An error flag is a queue of six consecutive bits



- In the case of one node detects a local error it will send an error flag. Other node
- > may detect an error the cause of this error flag. They send also agerror flag.
- **Each node which detects an error increments his error counter(s).**
- The transmitter of a cancelled message retransmits automatically this message.

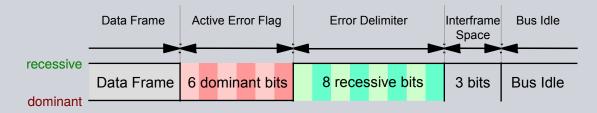


## **Error management (1)**

# Procedure observed after detection of an error (1)

Immediate transmission of an Error Frame

#### Format of an Active Error Frame:



**No bit stuffing is applied to Error Frames!** 

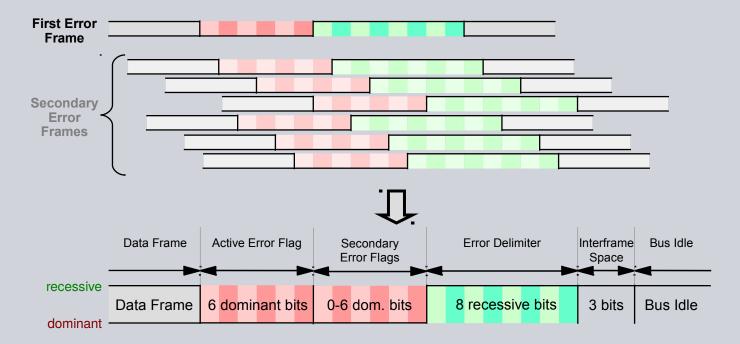
► Error Frame violates the bit stuffing rules → Other receivers are instantly informed that an error has occurred (unless they already found out)



## **Error management (2)**

# Procedure observed after detection of an error (2)

As a result, other units also send Error Frames → Error frames may overlap, resulting in Secondary Error Flags originating from other nodes:





## **Error management (3)**

# Procedure observed after detection of an error (3)

- Sender and receivers reject erroneous frame completely and do not process it any further
- Sender retries transmission later
- All units on the bus increase their error counters
- Recovering from errors can take up to 23 bit cycles
   (max. 12 bits Error Flag + 8 bits Error Delimiter + 3 bits Interframe Space)



#### Error counters and node state

## Two error counters for each unit

- Transmit Error Counter (TEC)
- Receive Error Counter (REC)

## **Characteristics of error counters**

- TEC and REC start counting at 0 (zero)
- Distinction between sporadic (temporary) and permanent errors possible
- Error-prone units are deactivated automatically after a certain time
- Depending on the values of their error counters, units can assume one of three possible node states: Error active, Error passive, Bus off.



Node state: error active

## A unit is in error active state when

- its Transmit Error Counter (TEC) is less than 128: TEC < 128 AND</p>
- its Receive Error Counter (REC) is less than 128: REC < 128

## In error active state a unit

- is fully operational
- sends an Active Error Frame when it has detected an error



## Node state: error passive

# A unit is in error passive state when

- its Transmit Error Counter (TEC) is greater than 127: TEC > 127 AND / OR
- its Receive Error Counter (REC) is greater than 127: REC > 127

# In error passive state a unit

- sends a Passive Error Frame when it has detected an error
- can still receive frames like a unit in error active state can
- has to wait after transmission of a Data Frame for 8 additional consecutive recessive bit cycles on the bus (Suspend Transmission Field) until it is permitted to transmit another Data Frame
- can go back to error active state for TEC <= 127 AND REC <= 127</p>



Node state: error passive

## **Passive Error Frame**



- a node in error passive state sends a Passive Error Frame in case of an error
- a Passive Error Frame cannot destroy an ongoing transmission on the bus
- the Passive Error Frame might overlap with Active Error Frames



Node state: bus off

## A unit is in bus off state when

- its Transmit Error Counter (TEC) is greater than 255: TEC > 255
- Note: The value of the Receive Error Counter (REC) is of no importance

## In bus off state a unit

- is practically disconnected from the bus
- > cannot receive and transmit anything any more
- can only leave bus off mode via a hardware reset OR a software reset and subsequent initialization carried through by the host (CAN specification: TEC and REC are set to zero and the unit must receive 128 times a field of 11 consecutive recessive bits)



## Overload Frame (for delays)

## **Overload Frame**



- Unit sends Overload Frame when at present it cannot receive frames any more due to high workload
- Transmission of an Overload Frame is started during the first two bits of the Interframe Space (IFS) of the preceding frame
- Other units react immediately by also transmitting Overload Frames
   ⇒ Overload Flags overlap, resulting in up to 12 consecutive dominant bits
- Implemented in very few (mostly older) controllers, though controllers must still be able to interpret correctly Overload Frames they receive
- Overload Frames do <u>not</u> influence the error counters (TEC and REC)



## **Efficiency of the error management**

# The probability for not discovering an error is

 $4.7 * 10^{-11}$ 

# **Example 1**\*

A CAN bus is used

with a transmission speed of and errors arise every

365 days / year

8 hours / day 500 kBit / sec 0.7 seconds

⇒ in 1.000 years, only one error remains undiscovered

## Example 2\*\*

A CAN bus in a car is run at with an average bus load of an average data frame size of for an average operating time of 500 kBit / sec 15 % 110 bits 4000 hours \*\*Source: Kaiser, Schröder:

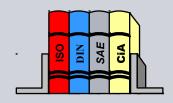
"Maßnahmen zur Sicherung
der Daten beim CAN-Bus"

\*Source: CiA

⇒ only one error in 100.000 automobiles remains undetected



#### International standards



"The great thing about **standards** is that there are so many to choose from."

## International CAN standards

**ISO 11898** "Road vehicles: CAN for high-speed communication"



**ISO 11519** "Road vehicles: Low-speed serial data communication -

Low-Speed CAN / VAN"

**ISO 11992** "Road vehicles: Electrical connections between

towing and towed vehicles"

**EIA RS-485** "Electrical Characteristics of Generators and

Receivers for Use in Balanced Digital Multipoint Systems"

(formerly used for CAN Physical Layer)



# Thank you!