

Scalable Service-Oriented Middleware over IP

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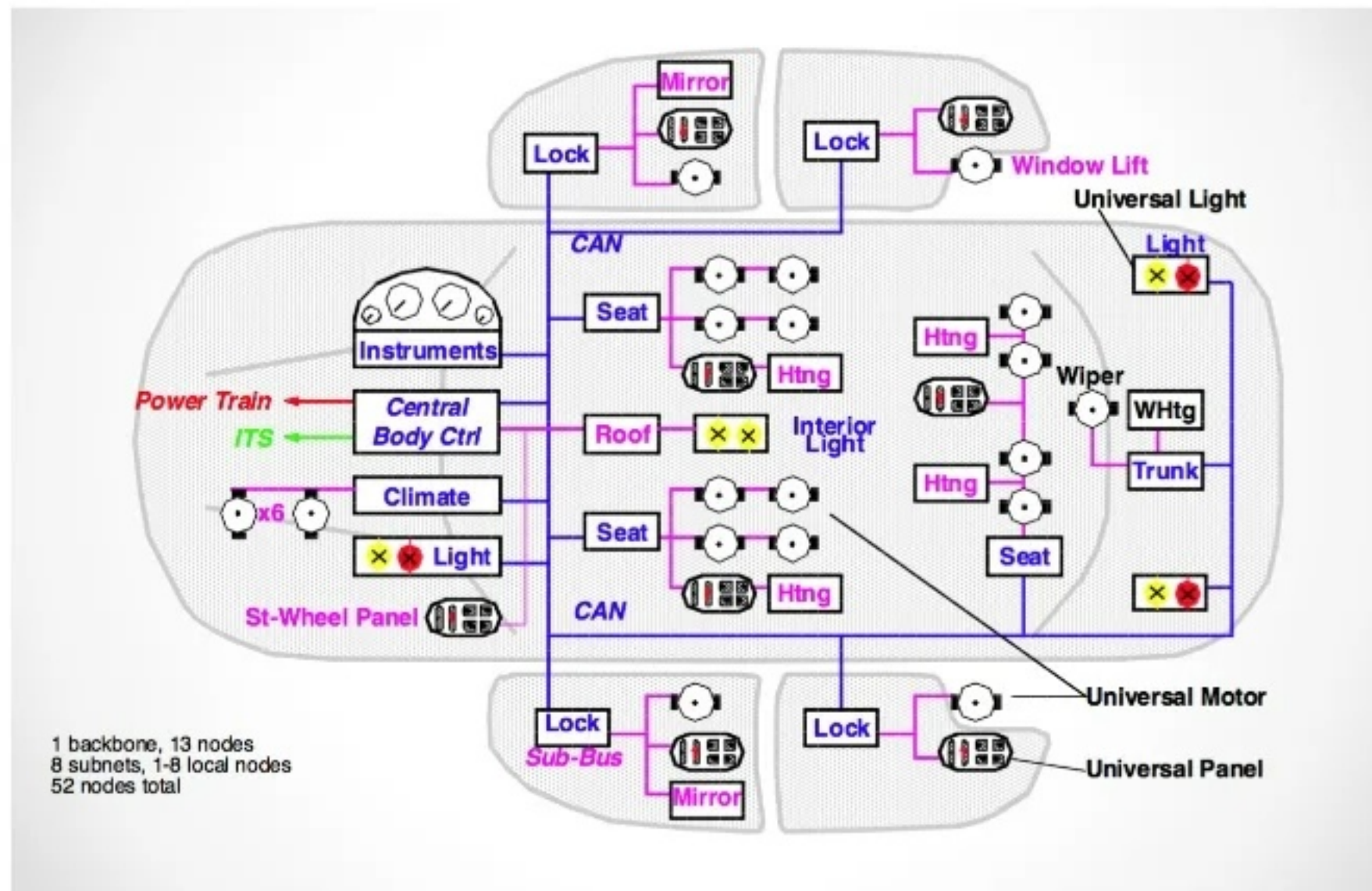
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 - Data Serialization
 - Service Orientation
 - Service Discovery
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 - Evaluation
 - Future Work

Motivation

Automotive Onboard Network

Increasing Number of Nodes Onboard



Source:
 Embedded Systems
 in Automotive, Intel
 Cooperation,
<http://www.slideshare.net/ssuser92b33b/embedded-systems-in-automotive>,
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Scale of Electronic Control Units

- up to 100 ECUs
- up to 100 Mio. LoC (Lines of Codes)
- several in-vehicle Networks (CAN, FlexRay, MOST, etc.)
- Examples of ECUs:
 - ABS
 - ESP
 - Engine Control
 - Airbag
 - Navigation
 - Camera
 - Fuel Control
 - ...



Source: Alternative Fuel ECU, Virtual R&D Ltd,
<http://www.virtnd.com/alternative-fuel-electronic-control-unit/>,
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Current and Target Designs

- many ECUs
 - all ASIC (Application Specific Integrated Circuit)
 - distributed
 - Car Model specific

- multiple Specific Networks
 - Low Data Rate
 - Copper wired



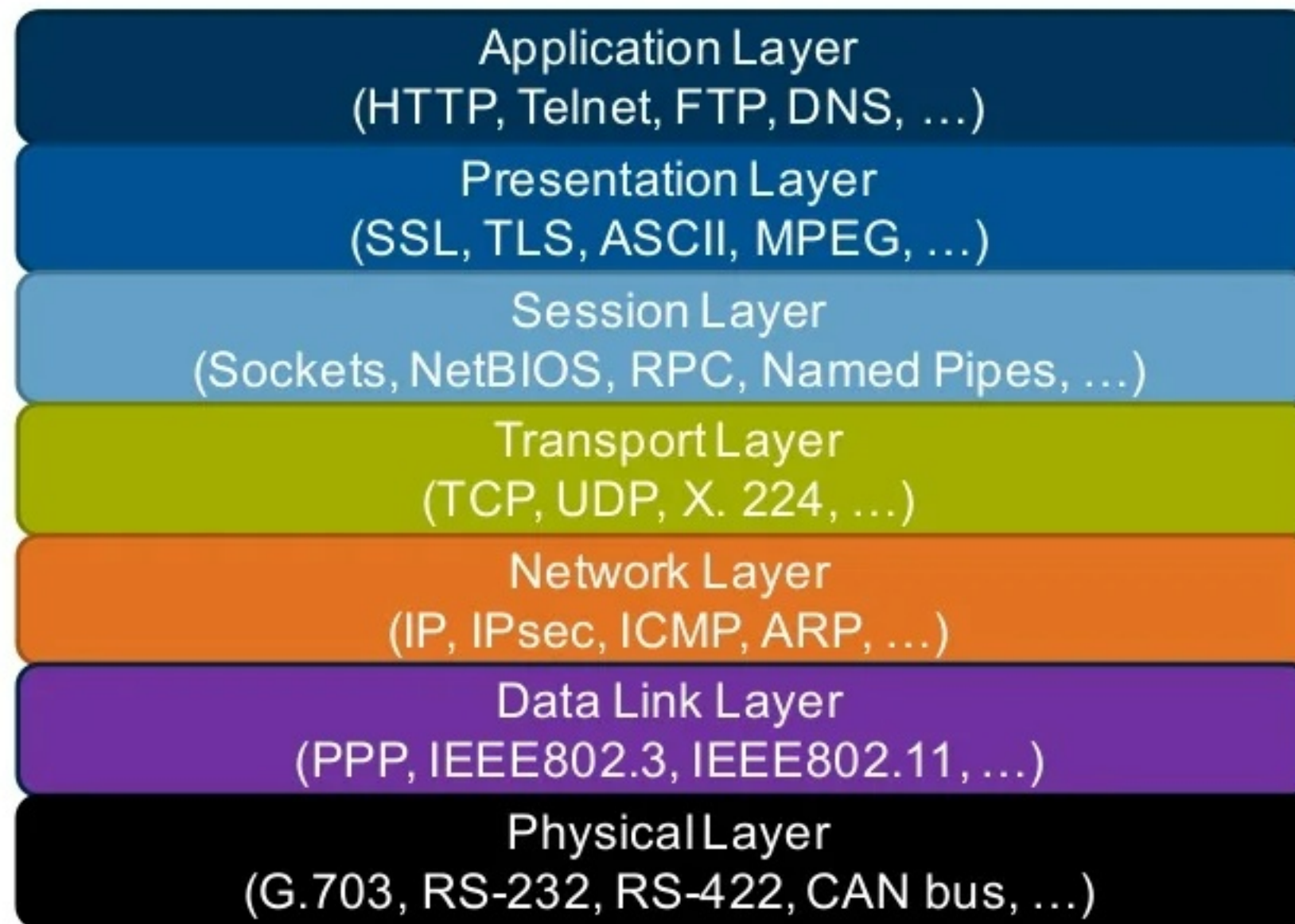
- reduced number of ECUs
 - multipurpose
 - less-distributed or central
 - generic

- single onboard network
 - High Data Rate
 - optical wired

Backgrounds

ISO/IEC 7498-1

Open System Interconnection model (OSI Model)



Ethernet and TCP/IP Stack [0]

Comparison

Ethernet

- Family of Computer Networking Technologies for LAN
- IEEE 802.3
- Physical Layer
 - Optical Fiber
 - Twisted Pair
 - others (e.g. via MIL-DTL-38999)
- Link Layer
 - Carrier sense multiple access with collision detection (CSMA/CD)
- Up To 25 Gbit/s

TCP/IP Stack

- Internet Protocol Suite
- Layers:
 - Link Layer: MAC
 - Network Layer: IP
 - Transport Layer: TCP, UDP
 - Application Layer:
 - OSI Socket Layer
 - OSI Presentation Layer
 - OSI Application Layer
- Everything but the Application Layer also called "Ethernet" unofficially

Ethernet and TCP/IP Stack [1]

Different Connectors



RJ45 with Twisted Pair Cable [1]



Optical Fiber with E-2000 Connector [2]



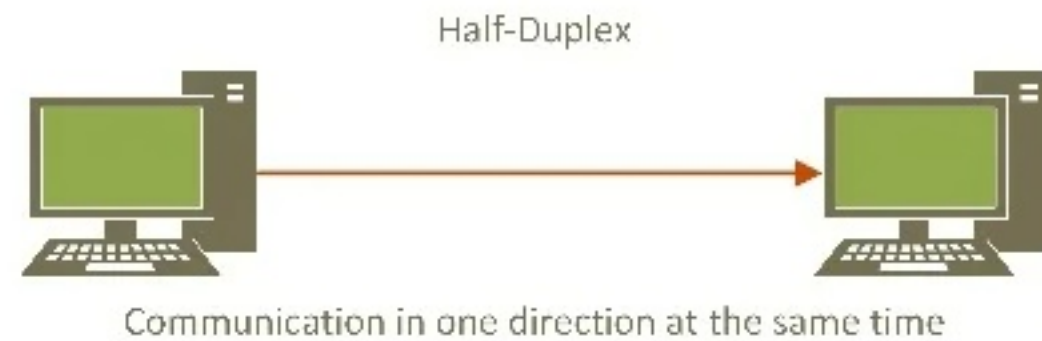
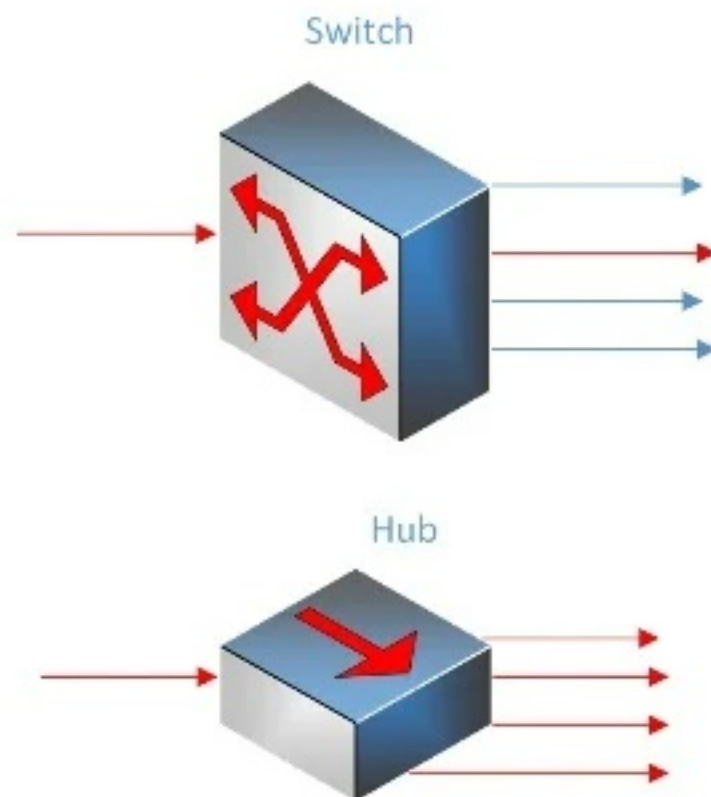
RJ45 to MIL-STD 38999 Connector [3]

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<https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/0/05/EthernetCableBlue2.jpg/800px-EthernetCableBlue2.jpg>, last visited 15.11.2015
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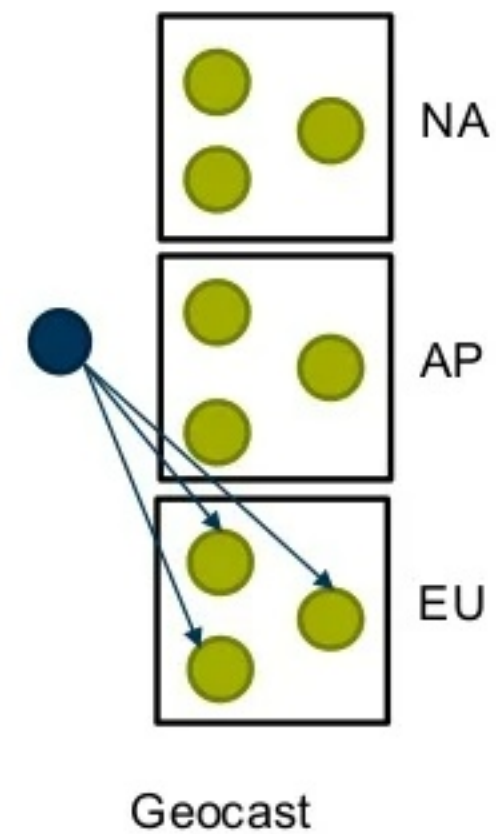
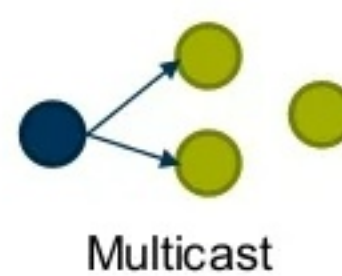
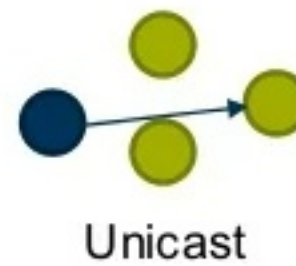
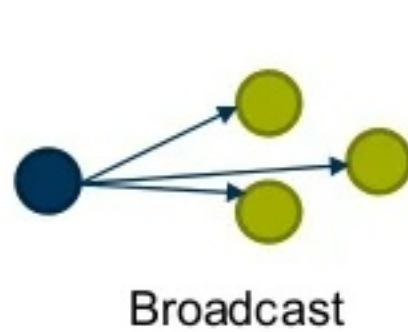
Ethernet and TCP/IP Stack [2]

Network Topology



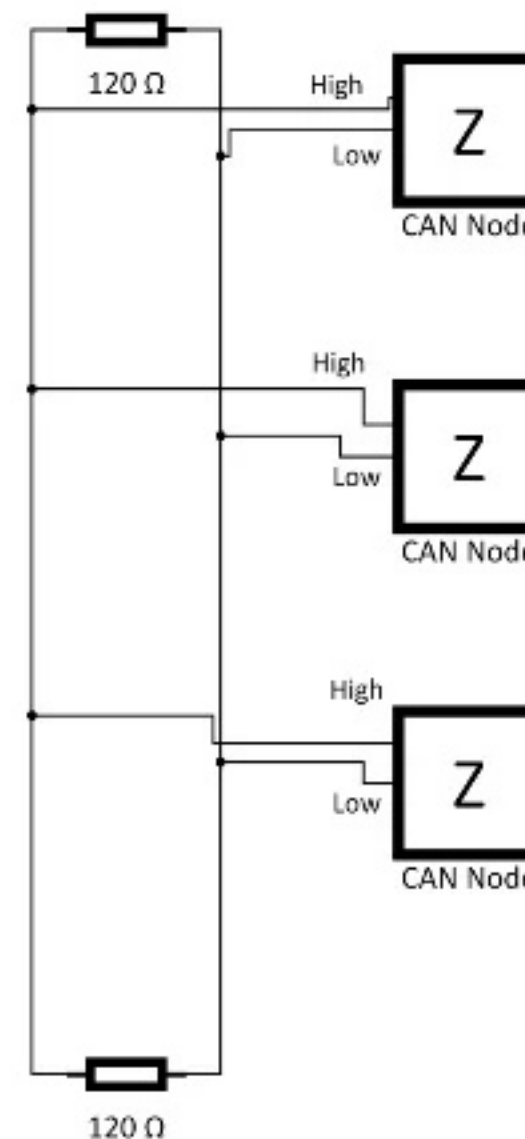
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Basic Routing Schemes



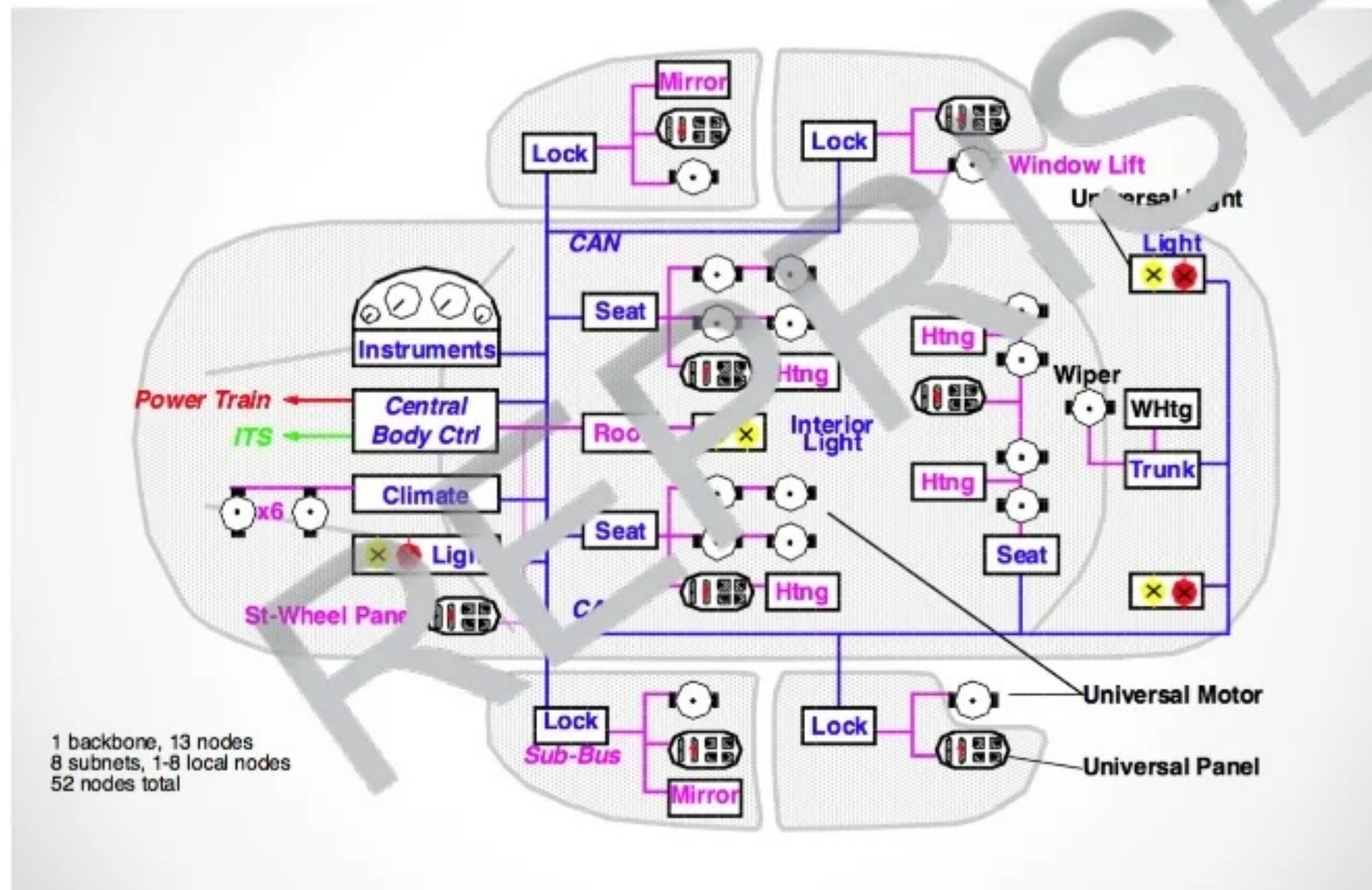
Controller Area Network [0]

- Designed by Robert Bosch GmbH in 1983, released by SAE (Society of Automotive Engineers) in 1986
- ISO 11898 – 1
- Simple Circuit (picture right, High Speed CAN)
- A CAN Node contains:
 - Sensor / Actuator
 - CPU
 - CAN Controller (Data Link Layer)
 - CAN Transceiver (Physical/Electrical Layer)
- Field of Applications:
 - Automotive
 - Industrial
 - Entertainment
- Layers:
 - Application and Object Layer
 - Transfer and Physical Layer



Automotive Onboard Network

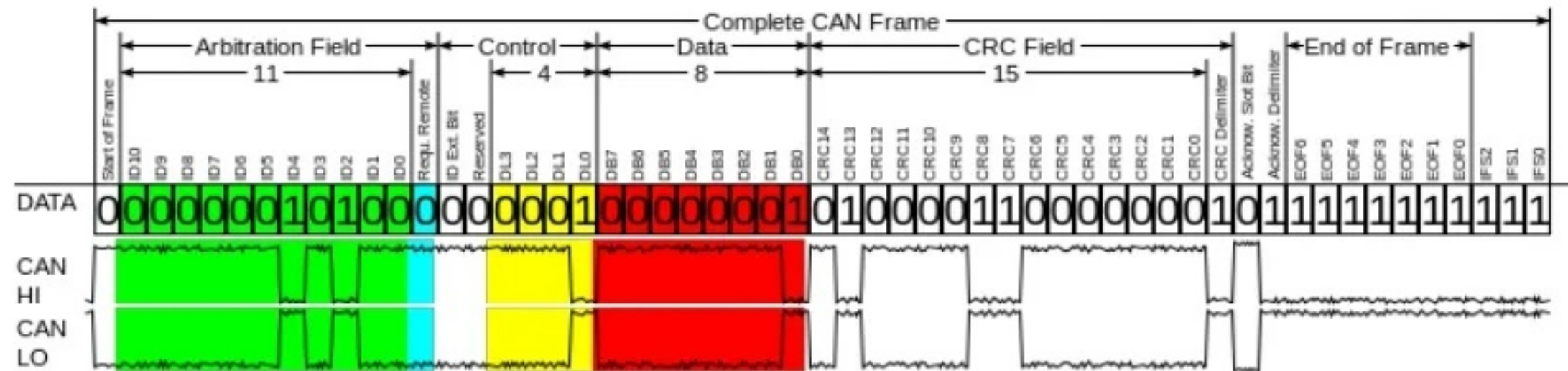
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CAN Message



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- Max. 8 bytes data per message
- Dominant Level = 0, Recessive Level = 1;
- Lower ID = Higher Sending Priority
- NRZ (Non-Return-to-Zero Code)
- Bitrate dependent to network length (40m ~ 1Mbit/s, 500m ~ 125kbit/s)
- Channel must be synchronized -> Bit Stuffing
- **Green**: ID
- **Blue**: Remote Transmission Request
- **Yellow**: Data Length
- **Red**: Data Field

Data Serialization [0]

- Data Structures cannot be stored directly
- Data must be serialized before store/send
- easiest way: C

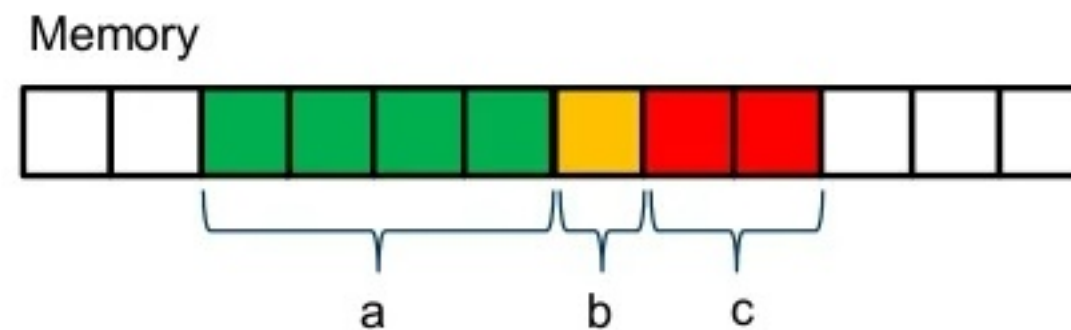
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typedef struct tag_foo{  
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    unsigned short b;  
    char c[2];  
}FOO;
```

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#pragma (pop)
```

```
FOO myFoo;
```

```
...
```



Advantages:

- Compact
- Simple

Disadvantages:

- not human-friendly
- hard to debug

Data Serialization [1]

CAN

- restricted payload size
 - > save storage
 - > calculation algorithms
- Example
 - Torque of a Motor need to be transmitted in CAN in 12 Bit
 - Range of Values: 200 N·m – 820 N·m
 - $\text{Torque} = ((\text{CAN-Value}) \times 0.25) + 200 \text{ (N·m)}$
 - Resolution: 0.25 N·m
- Disadvantages:
 - Computational Effort
 - Resolution Restriction

Data Serialization [2]

Extensible Markup Language

- defined by W3C
- human-readable and machine-readable
- Unicode Support
- Application: Web Applications, Document Storage, etc.

Disadvantage:

- high syntax overhead

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```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" standalone="yes"?>
<myFoo>
  <a type="int">1337</a>
  <b type="unsigned short">10</b>
  <c type="char">
    <0>26</0>
    <1>27</1>
  </c>
</myFoo>
```

Data Serialization [3]

JavaScript Object Notation

- defined by Douglas Crockford
- human-readable and machine-readable
- valid JavaScript document
- Applications: Web Applications

- Example

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Disadvantage:

- (still) high syntax overhead

```
{  
    "a" : 1337  
    "b" : 10  
    "c" : [  
        {0:26},  
        {1:27}  
    ]  
}
```


Data Serialization [4]

Google Protocol Buffer

- developed by Google in 2008
- designed for data storage or data transfer
- user defined Protocol Definition files (.proto) -> precompiled to libraries (e.g. .h/.c, .java)
- can only be de-serialized if protocol definition presents
- Supports enumerations and classes

- Example Protocol Definition:

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```
Message myFoo {
    required int32 a = 1;
    optional uint8 b = 2;
    repeated int8 c = 3;
}
```



myFoo.pb.h
myFoo.pb.cc

AUTOSAR [0]

AUTomotive Open System ARchitecture

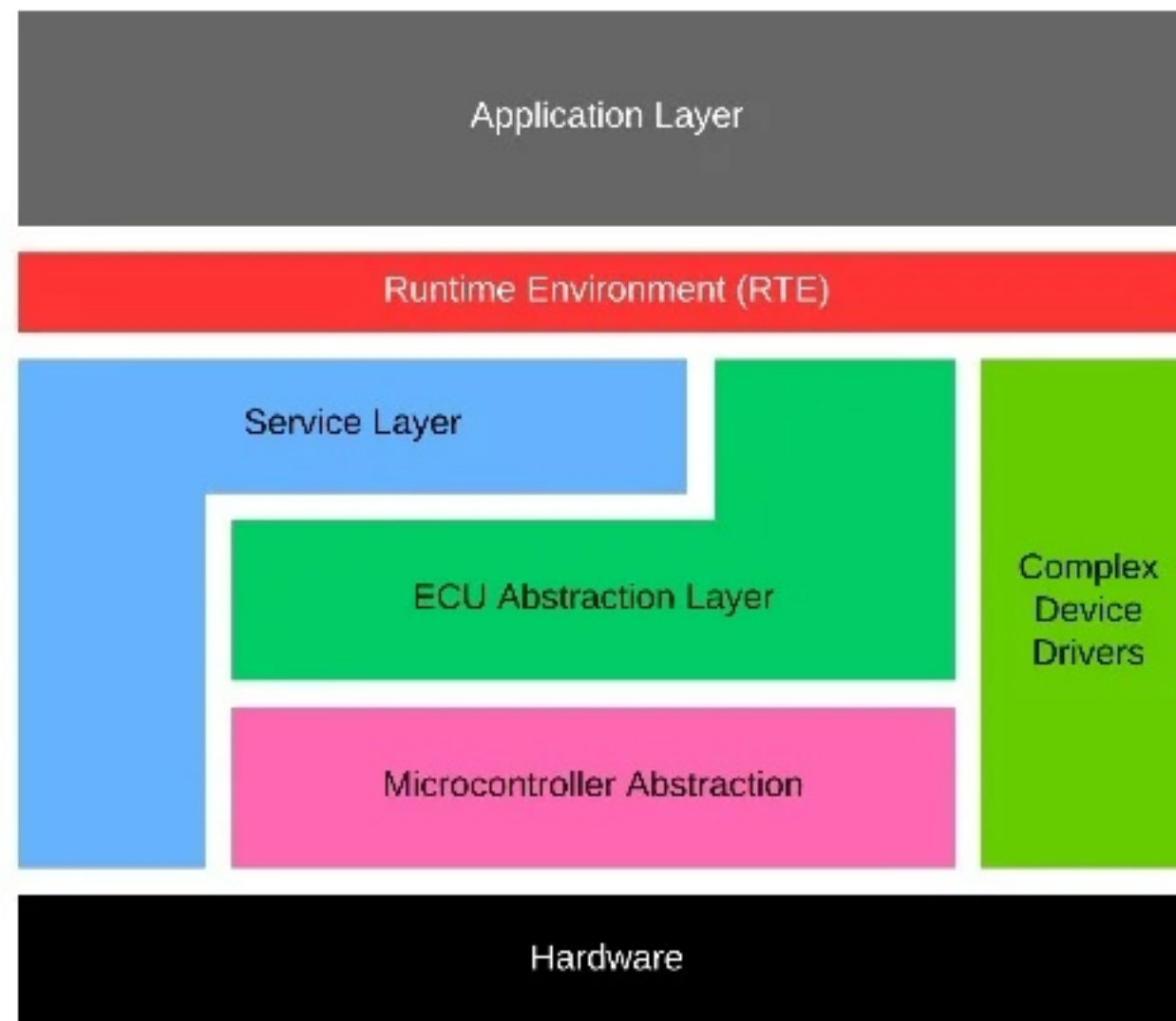
- Cooperation of Development
- Standardization of automotive Software
- Automobile Manufactures, suppliers, tool developers and OEMs
- Goals:
 - Implementation and standardization of basic system functions
 - Scalability
 - Integration between suppliers
 - Consideration of availability and safety
 - Redundancy
 - Maintainability
 - Increase the use of standard-software
 - Software upgrade over whole PLC (Product Life Cycle)
- Supports TCP/IP Suite since ver. 4.1



Source: www.autosar.org, last visit: 08.11.2015

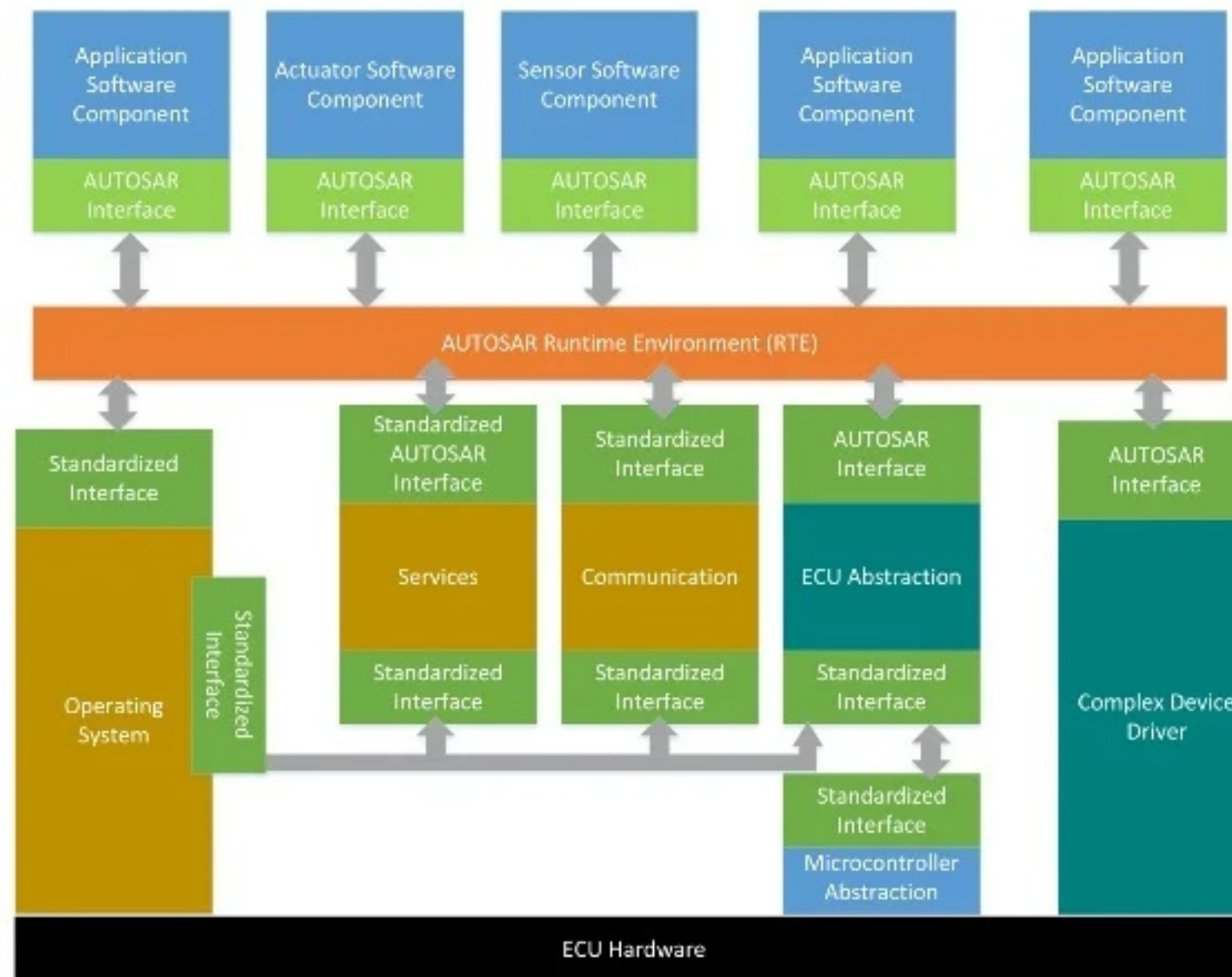
AUTOSAR [1]

Design Architecture



AUTOSAR [2]

Example of one AUTOSAR Configuration

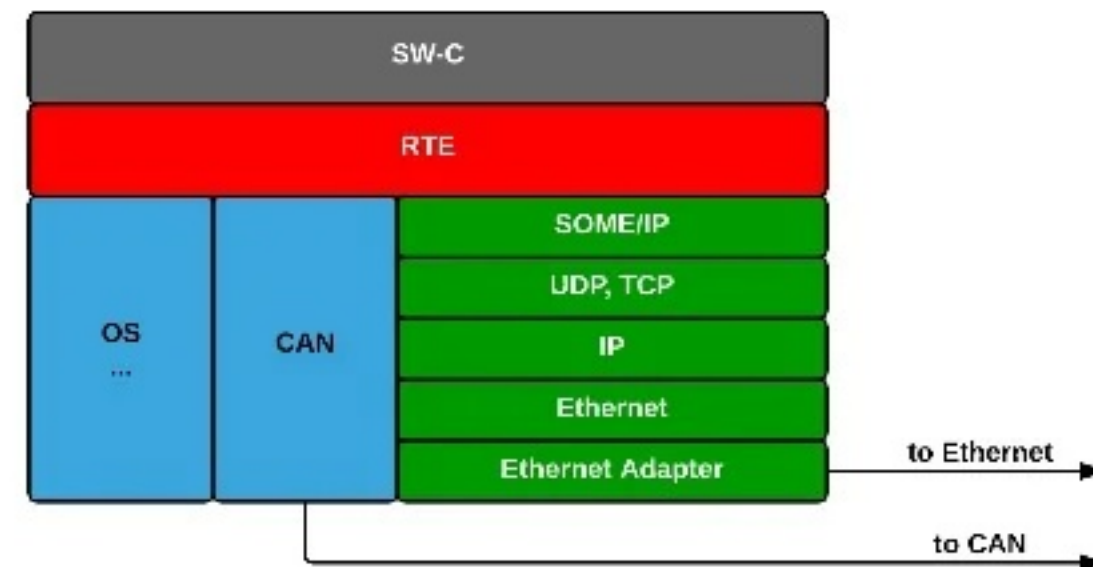


SOME/IP

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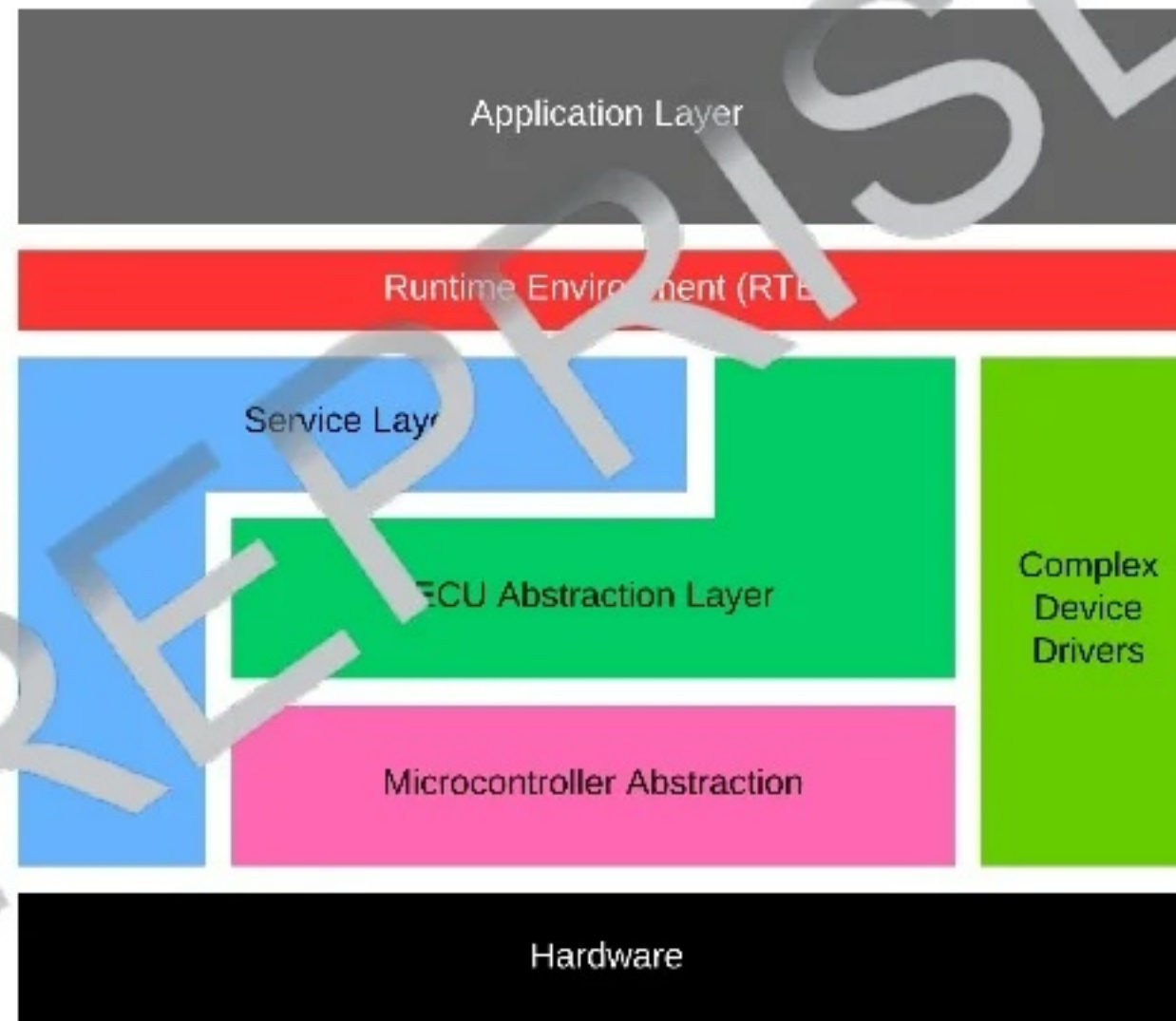
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- Designed as communication system in:
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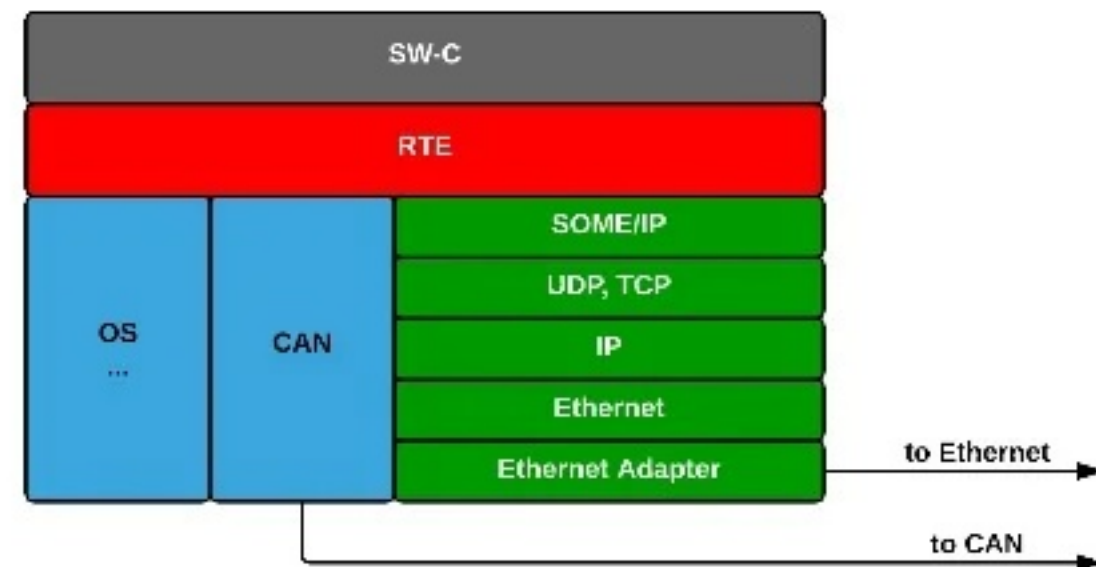
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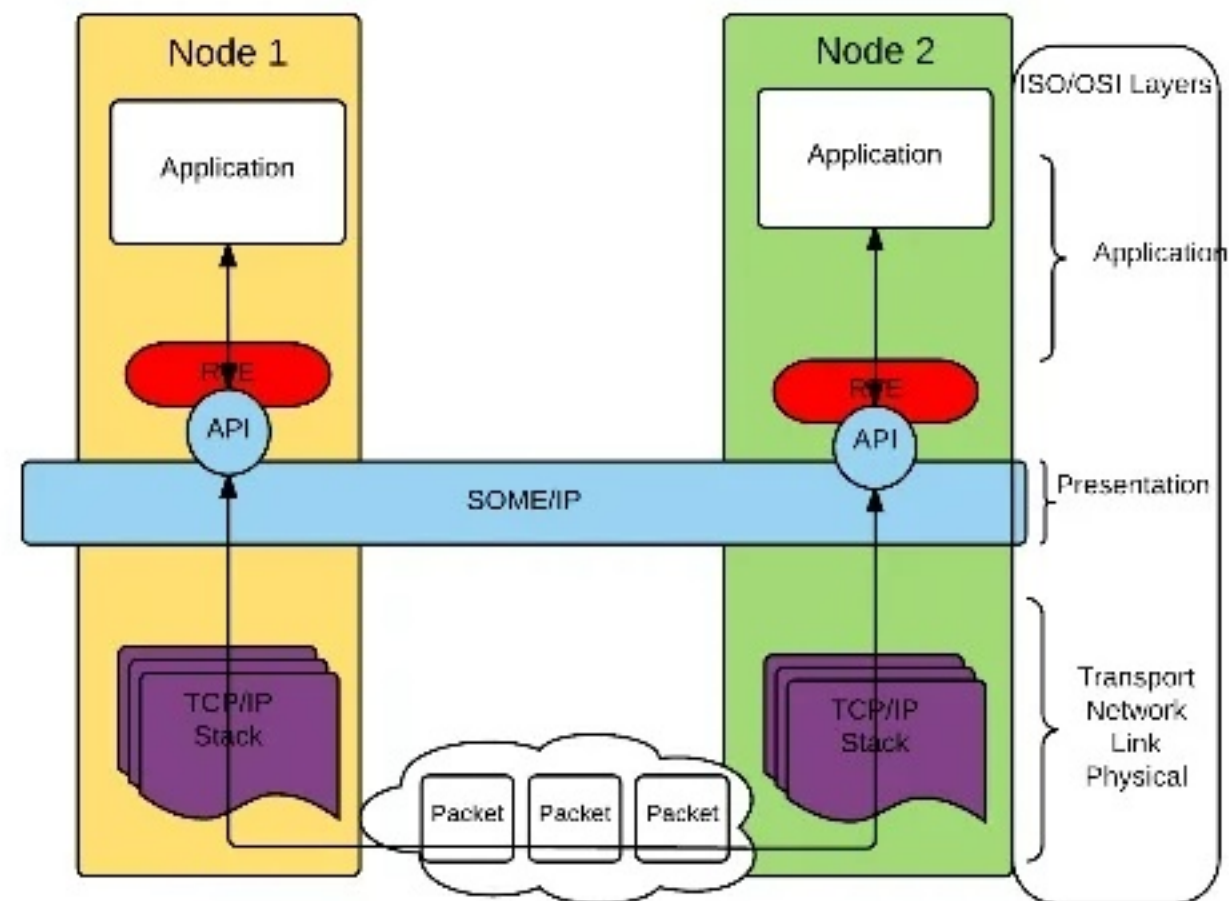
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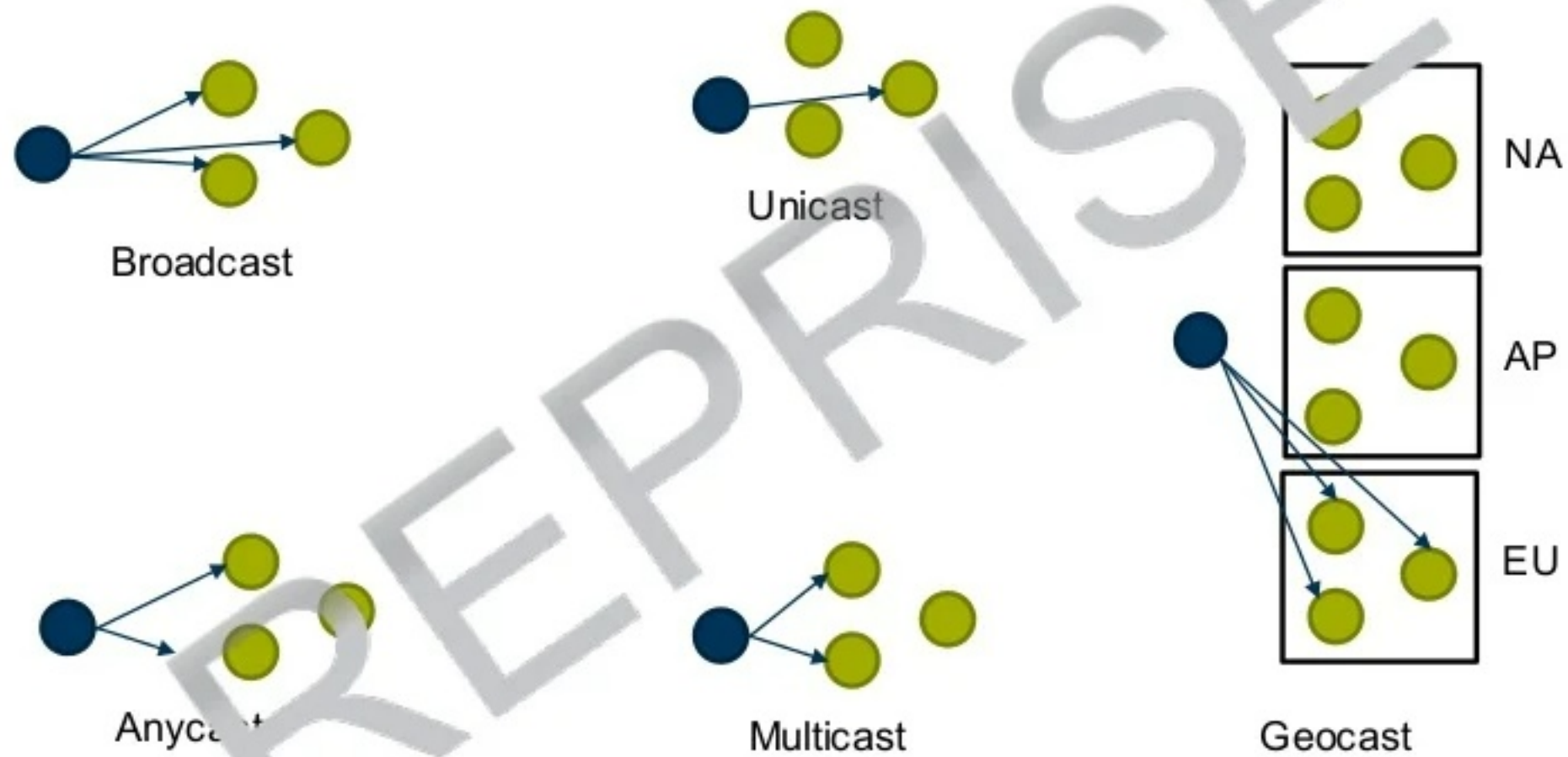
Architecture

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 - Full-duplex, Full-switched IEEE802.3 compatible network up to 1Gbps
 - Unicast
-> Better Link utilization
- Transport Layer:
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- Session and Presentation Layer:
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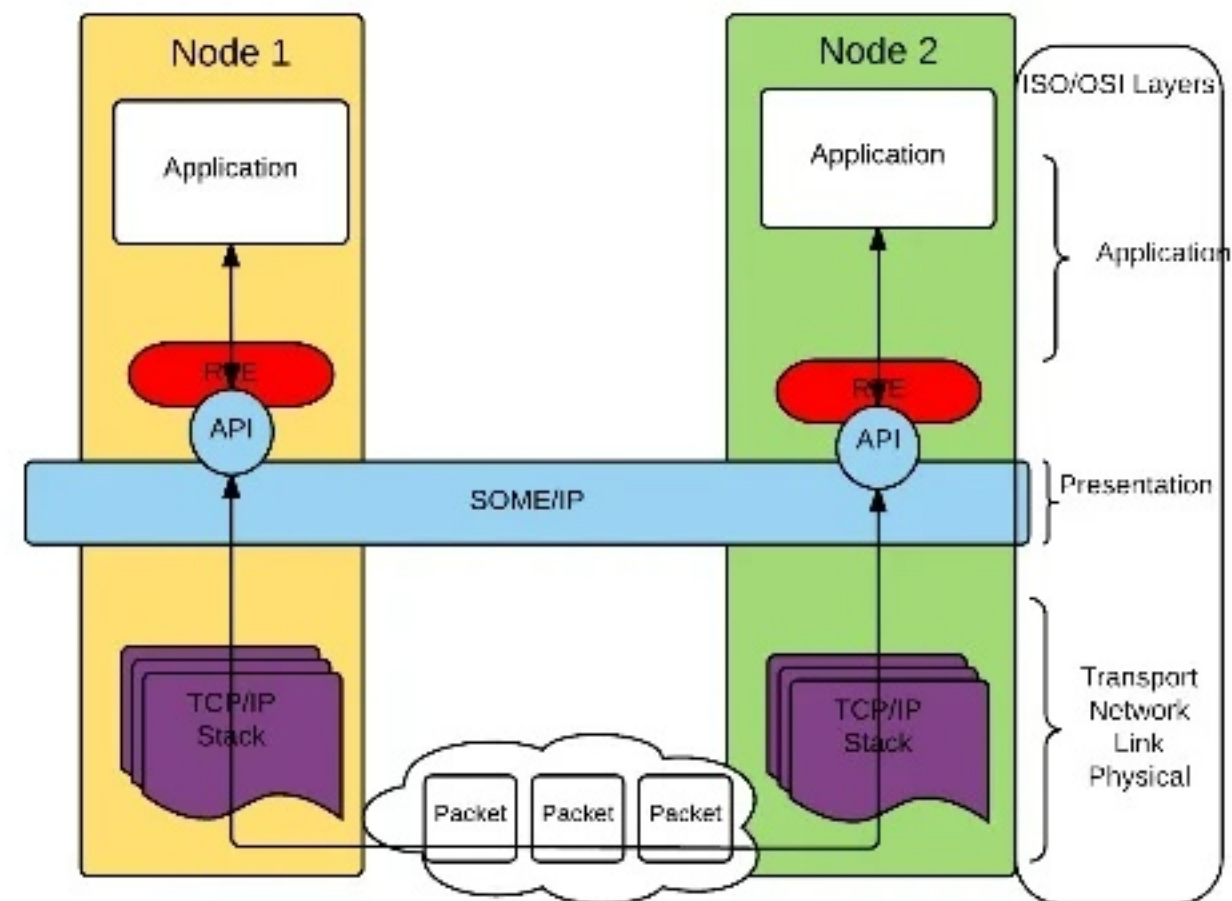
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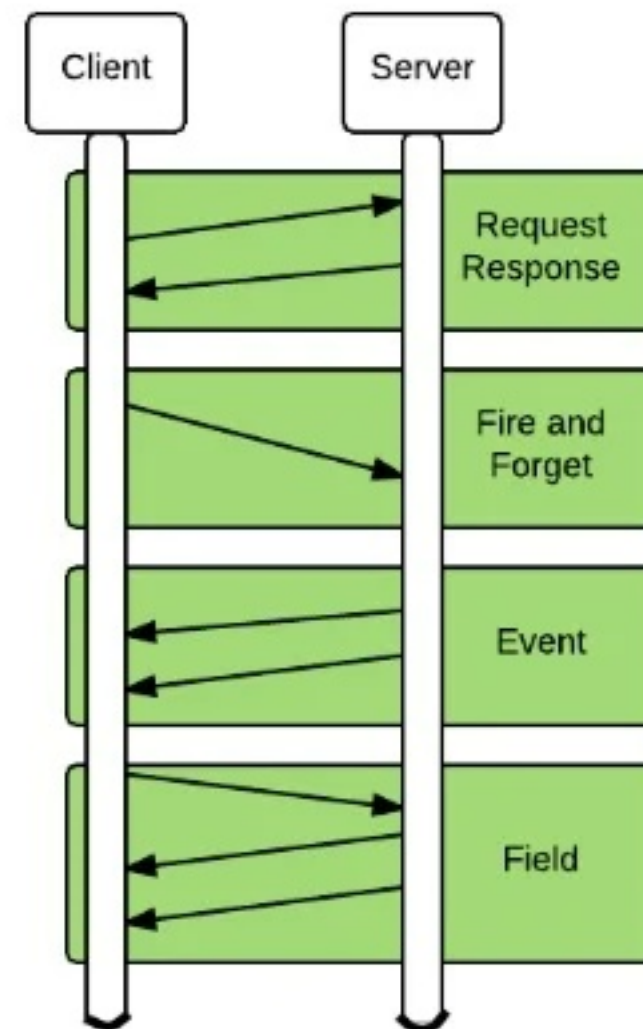
Basic Data Types and Data Serialization

- Basic Data Types:
 - Unsigned Integer: 8/16/32/64 bit
 - Signed Integer: 8/16/32/64 bit
 - Floating Point Numbers: 32/64 bit
 - Enumerations
 - Booleans
 - Bit fields
 - Structures
 - Unions
 - (Multidimensional-) Arrays
- API with Serialization Functionalities
 - C – Style, “as-is”
 - No data conversion
 - No calculation
 - Large data structures are segmented via TCP or IP Segmentation

SOME/IP [3]

Service Orientation

- Client Server Architecture of SW-Cs
- Communication via **Messages**
- Types of services:
 - Request and Response
 - Fire and Forget
 - Event
 - Field
 - Eventgroup



SOME/IP [4]

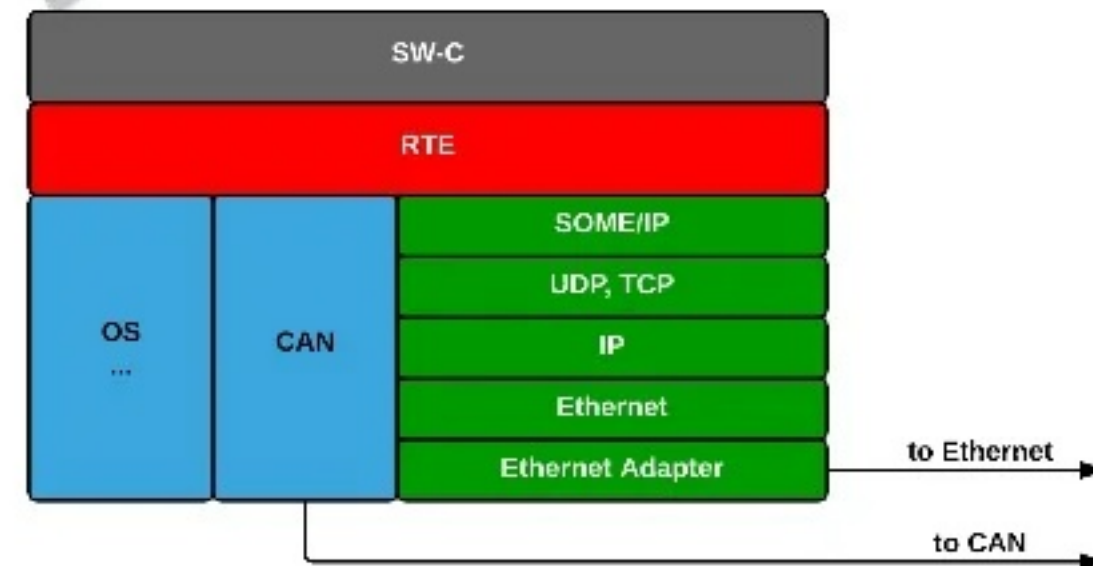
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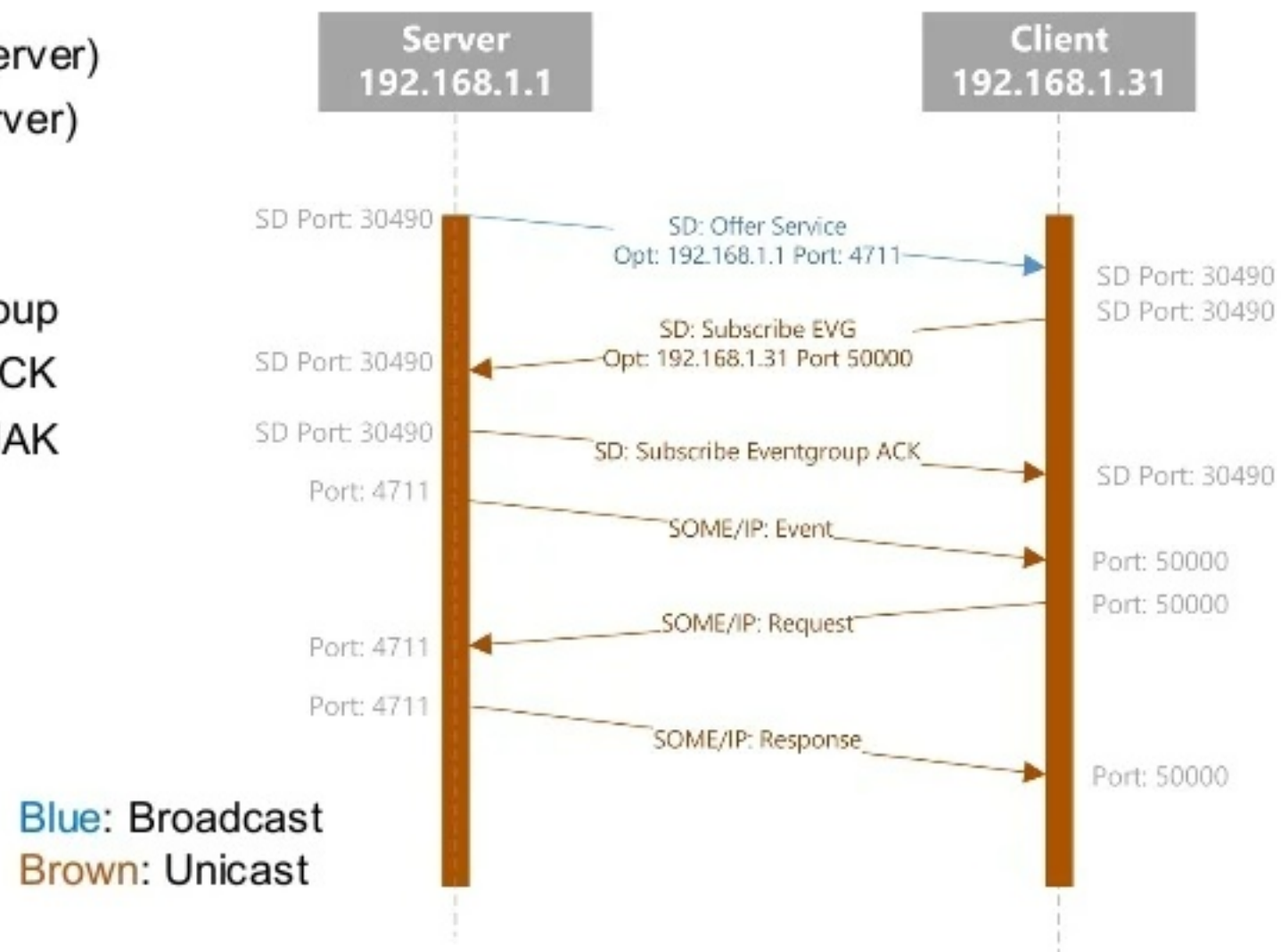
SOME/IP Service Discovery

- Registration between Service and Client
 - IP Address
 - Ports
 - Service ID
 - Event Subscription
 - Disconnect detection
 - active or passive service publishing
- Grant for the flexibility
 - Decouple Server from fixed IP
 - Plug and Play for new Server/Client
- Keep broadcast message as less as possible

SOME/IP-SD [1]

SOME/IP-SD-Entries

- Find Service (passive Server)
- Offer Service (active Server)
- Stop Offer Service
- Subscribe Eventgroup
- Stop Subscribe Eventgroup
- Subscribe Eventgroup ACK
- Subscribe Eventgroup NAK



Evaluation and Future Work

Evaluation [0]

Is SOME/IP suitable for automotive Engineering?

Main Advantages of SOME/IP

- Coexistence with existing system
-> No functional loss
- High Data Rate and Unicast
-> Increased data transfer amount
- High Service Availability
- Dynamic IP Addressing
-> Gain in Maintainability and Flexibility

Possible Issues of SOME/IP

- Computational Overhead due to complex architecture
- Increased Storage Requirement (Buffers, etc.)
- Less predictable computation time
- Single Point of Failure (e.g. Switch malfunction)



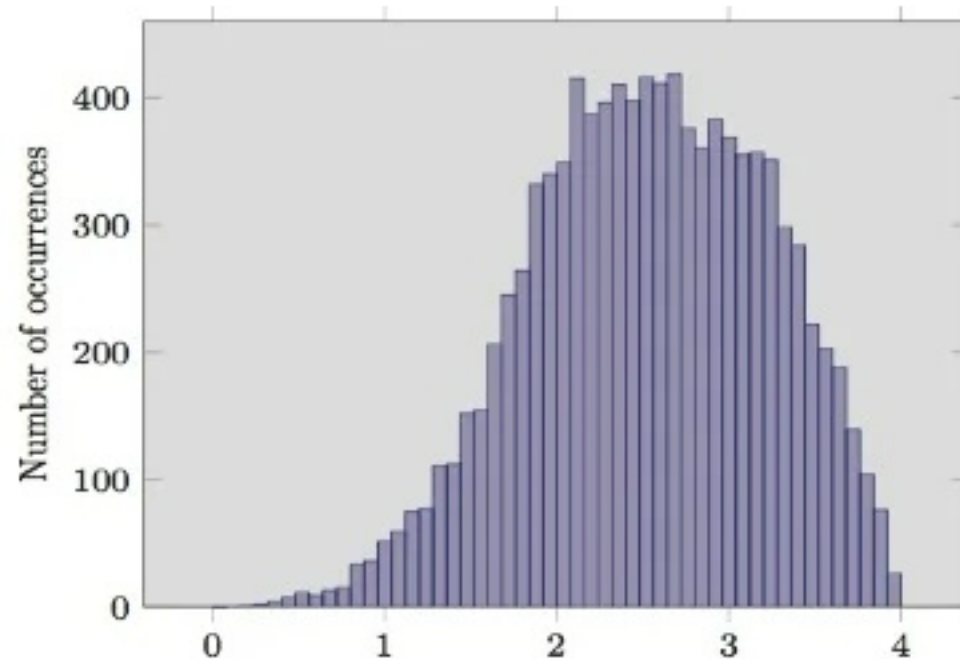
- Good for Infotainment and Driver Assistance System with high requirements on Data rate
- Less suitable for Safety Critical System
- Less suitable for Hard Real Time Systems (e.g. brakes)

Evaluation [1]

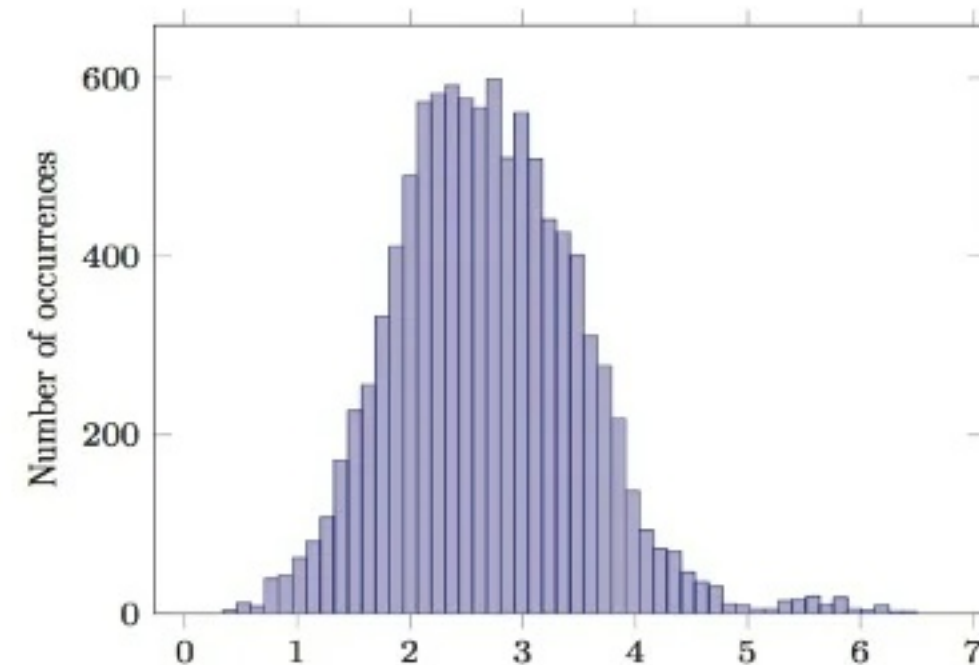
Are we expecting latency due to SOME/IP-SD?

Time, until server and client gets ready:

(1) Server in Offer Mode, Client in Listen Mode



(2) Server in Silent Mode, Client in Discover Mode



Both case:

- average round about 3ms startup time
- Worst case time is in scenario (1) better

Source: Seyler, J. R., Streichert, T., Glaß, M., Navet, N., and Teich, J. Formal analysis of the startup delay of some/ip service discovery. In Proceedings of the 2015 Design, Automation & Test in Europe Conference & Exhibition (2015), EDA Consortium, pp. 49–54.

Summary and Future Work

- What we know:
 - SOME/IP supports a high data rate
 - SOME/IP has low transportation overhead
 - The initiation time of SOME/IP is notably short
 - > SOME/IP is suitable for driver assistance and infotainment systems
 - > but still too complex for hard real time systems like Motor control or brakes
 - Simple, better Maintainability, and Modular design
- Next Steps:
 - Case Studies
 - Real vehicle data
 - Network latency
 - Fault behavior
 - Real-time analysis

Thank you.