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(57) **ABSTRACT**

An inspection apparatus, which inspects a CAN communication function of an ECU, comprises: a connection unit which connects a communication circuit of the ECU and the inspection apparatus on a one-to-one basis; a creation unit which creates an inspection message in which a predetermined signal level is set in a confirmation field of a data format corresponding to a message received from the ECU; a transmission unit which transmits the inspection message to the ECU; a reception unit which receives a response message to the inspection message from the ECU; a confirmation unit which confirms whether a signal level of the confirmation field in the response message is changed with respect to setting of the inspection message; and a determination unit which determines whether a reception function of the ECU is normal based on the confirmation.