

CanModule - ATLAS Branch 2022

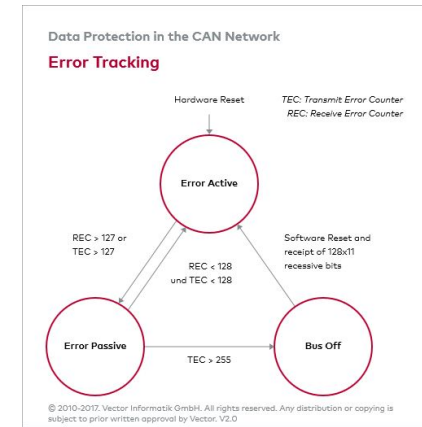
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Goal and Coverage

- CanModule to be used for CANopen NG server implementation
 - Covers only SocketCAN interface under Linux wrt testing as it is only available option for ATLAS, many changes are agnostic to interface model though
 - Branch https://github.com/quasar-team/CanModule/tree/pnikiel_canopen
 - [Difference](#) with master currently: **636 additions** and **799 deletions**.
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- Note: the documentation which had been added by Michael previously (not existing before) was extremely appreciated and helpful

Changes: high level description I

- General:
 - Major code cleanup
 - Major improvements of coding quality
- Introduced proper can controller state machine representation
 - Also added textual representation of `can_state` (needed in many applications,
- Error handling:
 - Coherent handling with respect to above state model (essential to implement FC3.1, FN1.3 of CanOpen NG document)
 - CanModule API originally proposed notification model (e.g. port down, bus off, reception of error frames etc): preserved
 - Improved handling to cover more and avoid leaking of notifications (e.g. recovery finished, leaking of certain state transitions)
 - Corrected wrong data passed previously via notifications
 - Added "query" model in addition to notifications (got merged-back from [ATLAS Wiener server](#))
 - Uniformly converted to use standard exceptions:
 - `runtime_error` for plenty of possible runtime issues (port can't be opened, serious port issue, ...)
 - `logic_error` for logic errors
 - **note** transitions into `ERROR_ACTIVE` or any other non-OK CAN state are considered part of life and as such not considered exceptional
 - Added error handling where it was missing or incomplete
- Aliasing rules of `select()`
 - Found by using CentOS 8's gcc that the SocketCAN use of `select()` violates the strict aliasing (`__restrict__` flags) of `select()` -> fixed.
 - Could result in broken FDSET.
- Statistics module: removed misuse of stats module for error handling to avoid problems, cleaned up



Changes: high level description II

- removed this in multiple occurrences (*should be converted to std::chrono*)

```
void setTimeSinceOpened() {  
#ifdef _WIN32  
    GetSystemTime(&m_dopen);  
#else  
    gettimeofday( &m_dopen, &m_tz);  
#endif  
}
```

- removed nanosleep for std::chrono
- **not** to be done in the public **headers**, moved

```
using namespace std;  
using namespace std::chrono;
```

- removed non-trivial implementation from headers
- Reduced code redundancy → applied write(), select() wrappers etc.

Changes: high level description III

- Messages longer than 8 bytes were just sent as 8 bytes, fixed now
- IDs longer than 11 bits were truncated to 11 bits, fixed now
- Rewrote algorithm which maps CAN ports to network interfaces
- Build system: fixed problems and cleaned up, enabled static linking to OPC UA servers

Remarks

- CanModule user API mostly unchanged, except:
 - Exceptions introduced
 - Inclusion of cleaned up headers
 - Port status relocation
 - Minor data type corrections
- Changes affect compatibility with non-SocketCan device modules and those need to be adapted
- Current “reconnection API” (in master) is incompatible with SocketCAN behavior and thus not agnostic to CAN interface model
- Rewrite of configuration parameter parser may be necessary as well (not yet done)
- Further improvements/changes likely to be necessary

- User documentation should be extended at some point covering:
 - Architecture description
 - What can block, what can't block, what may block, what by definition won't block?
 - Performance considerations?
 - Conditions on the callbacks?
 - Are functions reentrant?
 - What is the error handling model? Are exceptions used and/or supposed to be caught?