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- Introduction has been modified to add the patents related to the loop-architecture
- Addition of loop (ring) -architecture
- More details:
  - Subclause 4.4 is extended to cover the loop-architecture as 4.4.3.
  - Subclause 4.6; structure has changed in order to include the loop-architecture, and the data types of variables have been added:



- 4.6.1 Overview;
- 4.6.1.2 Summary of variables of existing star-architecture;
- 4.6.1.3 Summary of variables of additional loop-architecture;
- 4.6.2 Type 11 common variables, parameters, counters, timers and queues;
- 4.6.3 Star-architecture specific variables, parameters, counters, timers and queues;
- 4.6.4 Loop-architecture specific variables, parameters, counters, timers and queues.
- All variables, parameters, counters, timers and queues are rearranged in alphabetical order.
- Subclause 5.4 is modified to cover the loop-architecture.
- Clause 6 is modified to cover the loop-architecture.
- Explanations of symbols referenced in each figure are modified to appear in the form of Key out of each figure object.
- Clause 7 is changed in the structure for inclusion and extension of the loop-architecture as follows:
  - DLE elements of procedure for existing star-architecture are maintained in 7.1 after restructuring with no change to the existing specification;
  - DLE elements of procedure for loop-architecture are added in 7.2;
  - Serializer and deserializer is maintained in 7.3 after restructuring;
  - DLL management protocol is in 7.4 after restructuring, and
  - DLL management protocol for star-architecture is maintained in 7.4.1 without change,
  - DLL management protocol for loop-architecture is added in 7.4.2.

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## INTRODUCTION

This part of IEC 61158 is one of a series produced to facilitate the interconnection of automation system components. It is related to other standards in the set as defined by the “three-layer” fieldbus reference model described in IEC/TR 61158-1.

The data-link protocol provides the data-link service by making use of the services available from the physical layer. The primary aim of this standard is to provide a set of rules for communication expressed in terms of the procedures to be carried out by peer data-link entities (DLEs) at the time of communication. These rules for communication are intended to provide a sound basis for development in order to serve a variety of purposes:

- a) as a guide for implementors and designers;
- b) for use in the testing and procurement of equipment;
- c) as part of an agreement for the admittance of systems into the open systems environment;
- d) as a refinement to the understanding of time-critical communications within OSI.

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#### 1 Scope

##### 1.1 General

The data-link layer provides basic time-critical messaging communications between devices in an automation environment.

This protocol provides communication opportunities to all participating data-link entities

- a) in a synchronously-starting cyclic manner, according to a pre-established schedule, and
- b) in a cyclic or acyclic asynchronous manner, as requested each cycle by each of those data-link entities.

Thus this protocol can be characterized as one which provides cyclic and acyclic access asynchronously but with a synchronous restart of each cycle.

##### 1.2 Specifications

This standard specifies

- a) procedures for the timely transfer of data and control information from one data-link user entity to a peer user entity, and among the data-link entities forming the distributed data-link service provider;
- b) procedures for giving communications opportunities to all participating DL-entities, sequentially and in a cyclic manner for deterministic and synchronized transfer at cyclic intervals up to one millisecond;
- c) procedures for giving communication opportunities available for time-critical data transmission together with non-time-critical data transmission without prejudice to the time-critical data transmission;
- d) procedures for giving cyclic and acyclic communication opportunities for time-critical data transmission with prioritized access;
- e) procedures for giving communication opportunities based on standard ISO/IEC 8802-3 medium access control, with provisions for nodes to be added or removed during normal operation;
- f) the structure of the fieldbus DLPDUs used for the transfer of data and control information by the protocol of this standard, and their representation as physical interface data units.

##### 1.3 Procedures

The procedures are defined in terms of

- a) the interactions between peer DL-entities (DLEs) through the exchange of fieldbus DLPDUs;
- b) the interactions between a DL-service (DLS) provider and a DLS-user in the same system through the exchange of DLS primitives;
- c) the interactions between a DLS-provider and a Ph-service provider in the same system through the exchange of Ph-service primitives.

## 1.4 Applicability

These procedures are applicable to instances of communication between systems which support time-critical communications services within the data-link layer of the OSI or fieldbus reference models, and which require the ability to interconnect in an open systems interconnection environment.

Profiles provide a simple multi-attribute means of summarizing an implementation's capabilities, and thus its applicability to various time-critical communications needs.

## 1.5 Conformance

This standard also specifies conformance requirements for systems implementing these procedures. This standard does not contain tests to demonstrate compliance with such requirements.

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 61158-3-11:2007, *Industrial communication networks – Fieldbus specifications – Part 3-11: Data-link layer service definition – Type 11 elements*

IEC 61158-5-11:2007, *Industrial communication networks – Fieldbus specifications – Part 5-11: Application layer service definition – Type 11 elements*

IEC 61158-6-11:2007, *Industrial communication networks – Fieldbus specifications – Part 6-11: Application layer protocol specification – Type 11 elements*

ISO/IEC 7498-1, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Basic Reference Model: The Basic Model*

ISO/IEC 7498-3, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Basic Reference Model: Naming and addressing*

ISO/IEC 8802-3:2000, *Information technology – Telecommunications and information exchange between systems – Local and metropolitan area networks – Specific requirements – Part 3: Carrier sense multiple access with collision detection (CSMA/CD) access method and Physical Layer specifications*

ISO/IEC 10731, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Basic Reference Model – Conventions for the definition of OSI services*

## 3 Terms, definitions, symbols and abbreviations

For the purposes of this document, the following terms, definitions, symbols and abbreviations apply.

### 3.1 Reference model terms and definitions

This standard is based in part on the concepts developed in ISO/IEC 7498-1 and ISO/IEC 7498-3, and makes use of the following terms defined therein.