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INTRODUCTION

The IEC 61375 standard series specifies a Train Communication Network for usage in railway vehicles (trains) mainly intended for the exchange of TCMS related information, but not restricted to it. The specification starts from the physical layer up to the application layer and it involves different communication technologies.

This part of IEC 61375 (IEC 61375-2-3) defines the communication profile of the Train Communication Network so as to achieve interoperability between Consists connected by Ethernet Train Backbones as defined in IEC 61375-2-5.

The reasons for prompting the preparation of this part of IEC 61375 are:

- definition of the requirements necessary for communication interoperability on Ethernet Train Backbone level
- full documentation of the requirements of all users, aligning them and setting them out in standard form
- providing guidelines for the technical solution adopted for the train backbone interoperable communication
- defining a conformance test guideline (Annex F) which gives guidance for checking the conformity of consists to the communication profile

Concrete train applications for certain functionalities are not dealt with in this part of IEC 61375. They are contained in IEC 61375-2-4.

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Part 2-3: TCN communication profile

1 Scope

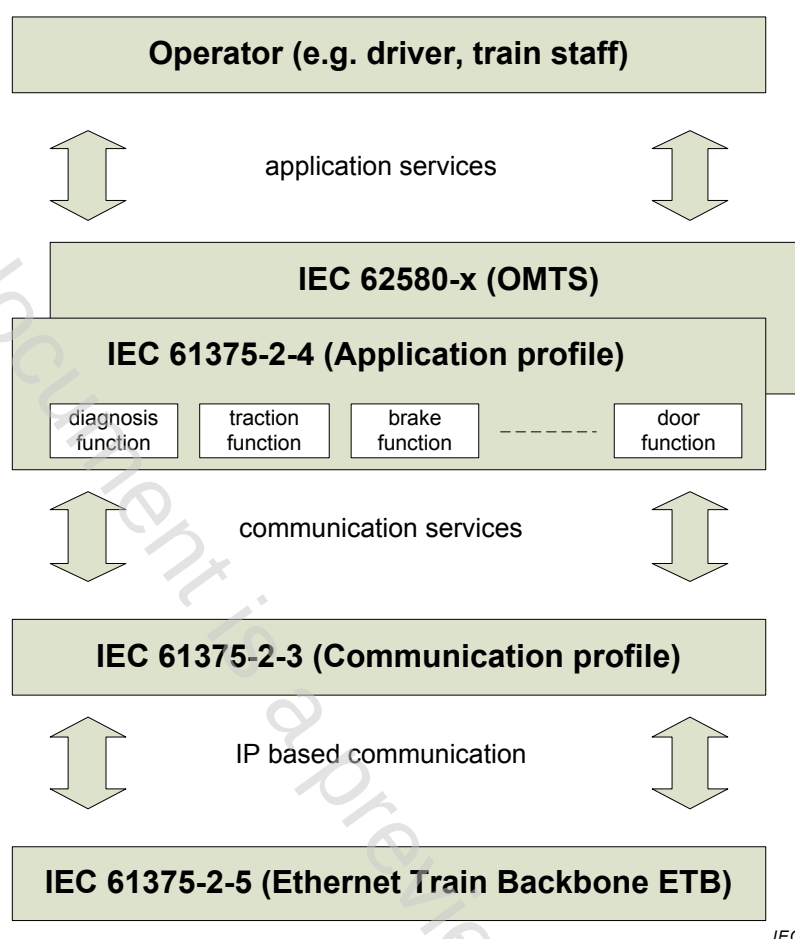
This part of IEC 61375 specifies rules for the data exchange between consists in trains. The aggregation of these rules defines the TCN communication profile.

The objective of the communication profile is to ensure interoperability between consists of the said trains with respect to the exchange of information. For this it defines all those items which are necessary for communication interoperability:

- an architecture with defined train directions related to different train views
- a common functional addressing concept
- common communication protocol for data exchange between functions
- a set of services for train communication control.

As a restriction, this communication profile is adhered to the Ethernet Train Backbone (ETB) technology as defined in IEC 61375-2-5. Towards the consist networks, a more abstract interface is defined which does not restrict the appliance of any consist network technology as for instance MVB (IEC 61375-3-1), CANOpen (IEC 61375-3-3) or ECN (IEC 61375-3-4).

It is not within the scope of the communication profile to define application data content and its meaning (e.g. syntax and semantics). This is within the responsibility of the application profiles. Namely two application profiles are explicitly supported as shown in Figure 1: the TCMS application profile as defined in IEC 61375-2-4, and the onboard multimedia and telematic services (OMTS) related profiles as defined in the IEC 62580 series.



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Figure 1 – IEC 61375-2-3 as connecting element between train backbone and application

2 Normative references

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

IEC 61375-1, *Electronic railway equipment – Train communication network (TCN) – Part 1: General architecture*

IEC 61375-2-1, *Electronic railway equipment – Train communication network (TCN) – Part 2-1: Wire Train Bus (WTB)*

IEC 61375-2-4, *Electronic railway equipment – Train communication network (TCN) – Part 2-4: Application Profile* (to be published)

IEC 61375-2-5, *Electronic railway equipment – Train communication network (TCN) – Part 2-5: Ethernet train backbone*

IEC 62280, *Railway applications – Communication, signalling and processing systems – Safety related communication in transmission systems*

ISO/IEC 9646-6:1994, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Conformance testing methodology and framework – Part 6: Protocol profile test specification*

ISO/IEC 9646-7:1995, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Conformance testing methodology and framework – Part 7: Implementation Conformance Statements*

ISO/IEC 17011:2004, *Conformity assessment – General requirements for accreditation bodies accrediting conformity assessment bodies*

ISO/IEC 17025:2005, *General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories*

3 Terms, definitions, abbreviations, acronyms, and conventions

3.1 Terms and definitions

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

3.1.1

application layer

upper layer in the OSI model, interfacing directly to the application

3.1.2

application layer interface

definition of the services offered by the application layer

3.1.3

application process

element within a real open system which performs the information processing for a particular application

3.1.4

big endian

definition where the most significant byte of multi byte data is stored in the lowest address memory location and sent first in the sequence of serialized transmissions

3.1.5

bridge

device which stores and forwards frames from one bus to another on the base of their Link Layer addresses

3.1.6

broadcast

nearly simultaneous transmission of the same information to several destinations

Note 1 to entry: Broadcast in the TCN is not considered reliable, i.e. some destinations may receive the information and others not.

3.1.7

closed train

train composed of one or a set of Consists, where the composition does not change during normal operation

EXAMPLE metro, sub-urban train, high speed train units.

3.1.8

closed train consist

consist within a closed train