

# **TSN FOR AUTOMOTIVE** IEEE 802 Standards for Time-Sensitive Networking



## Implementing Time-Sensitive Networking (TSN) in Automobiles

Accurate timing and guaranteed data delivery are critical in the automotive environment. IEEE 802.1AS<sup>™</sup> provides timing accuracy in the sub-microsecond range, which will be required as Ethernet usage grows within the vehicle. In addition, other IEEE and TSN standards provide secure, ultra-reliable, and bounded low-latency communications throughout the vehicle at multiple data rates.

Because the in-vehicle wiring plant is a huge challenge with regards to weight and space coupled with higher throughput requirements for automotive sensors, various PHYs targeting automotive are available today, including 2-wire 10 Mb/s (IEEE 802.3cg<sup>™</sup>), 100 Mb/s (IEEE 802.3bw<sup>™</sup>), 1 Gb/s (IEEE 802.3bp<sup>™</sup>) and 2.5/5/10 Gb/s (IEEE 802.3ch<sup>™</sup>). Previously known as the Audio Video Bridging (AVB) set of standards which are successfully used in automotive infotainment systems today, AVB has evolved into Time-Sensitive Networking to reflect the expanded scope of work in part toward autonomous driving. IEEE P802.1DG<sup>™</sup> "Time-Sensitive Networking Profile for Automotive In-Vehicle Ethernet Communications" addresses the use of TSN techniques to meet the many automotive needs for communications within vehicles.



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### **TSN IN VEHICLES**

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In vehicles, TSN works in synchrony with other IEEE technologies to deliver:

- **TIME SYNCHRONIZATION:** Synchronized time can be provided by a variant of the IEEE 1588 Precision Time Protocol (PTP) through the network where required, e.g., to support scheduling-bounded low-latency traffic, while also allowing asynchronous traffic.
- VERY LOW JITTER: IEEE TSN allows reducing jitter associated with audio/video, command, sensor, and control packet delivery to upper layers.
- **BOUNDED LOW LATENCY:** Time scheduled traffic, preemption, no need to compress video and other ADAS (Advanced Driver Assistance Systems) data (since speeds up to 10 Gbit/s allow multiple channels of high definition video) avoid the latency and processing power penalties associated with compression and decompression.
- ULTRA RELIABILITY: Protection from errant devices (ingress policing), backup for network timing master (standby grandmaster).

#### **Other Enhancements**

- **FAST STARTUP:** Preconfigured values for timing and bandwidth reservation allow quick startup followed by optional transition to negotiated values for dynamic adjustments.
- **FASTER UPDATES:** Firmware updates are quicker with Ethernet's higher speed.
- **INFORMATION SHARING:** A homogeneous Ethernet network allows homogeneous sharing of information between allowed devices without the delays and security risks associated with interconnecting different bus types through gateways.

#### **PROJECTS CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS**

- IEEE P802.1DG<sup>™</sup>-Draft Standard for Local and Metropolitan Area Networks–Time-Sensitive Networking Profile for Automotive In-Vehicle Ethernet Communications
- IEEE P802.1ASdm<sup>™</sup>-Draft Standard for Local and Metropolitan Area Networks–Timing and Synchronization for Time-Sensitive Applications Amendment: Hot Standby

#### STANDARDS

- IEEE 1588<sup>™</sup>-2019 Standard for a Precision Clock Synchronization Protocol for Networked Measurement and Control Systems
- IEEE 802.1CB<sup>™</sup>-2017 Standard for Local and Metropolitan Area Networks–Frame Replication and Elimination for Reliability
- IEEE 802.1CBdb<sup>™</sup>-2021 Standard for Local and Metropolitan Area Networks–Frame Replication and Elimination for Reliability Amendment 2: Extended Stream Identification Functions
- IEEE 802.1Q<sup>™</sup>-2022 Standard for Local and Metropolitan Area Networks–Bridges and Bridged Networks
- IEEE 802.1AE<sup>™</sup>-2018 Standard for Local and Metropolitan Area Networks-Media Access Control (MAC) Security
- IEEE 802.1AR<sup>™</sup>-2018 Standard for Local and Metropolitan Area Networks–Secure Device Identity Standards

After six months, IEEE 802<sup>®</sup> published standards are available via the GET Program.



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