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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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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.