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History

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BMW's High-Speed Vehicle Access

- Flash-Update via Ethernet only
 - Diagnostics running over CAN (Gateway required)
 - Few high update-volume ECUs get two connections
 - Direct Layer 2 connection in Programming-Session only
- Ethernet as "System-Bus"
 - One physical Ethernet link per ECU with 2 VLANs
 - Diagnostics running over internal VLAN (Gateway required)
 - Direct Layer 2 connection in Programming-Session only



The Original Goals of ISO13400

- Remove the Gateway decentralized per ECU approach
- Reduce the time to update vehicle software
 - Remove the in-vehicle SW-Gateway from the update-path for ECUs connected to Ethernet
- Access the vehicle from a remote host via Ethernet and IP infrastructure
 - Remove the (one per vehicle) CAN-tester
- Access multiple vehicles from one host





Did it work? – Well ...

- High load on DHCP servers (assembly plant)
- AutoIP wait times as PC starts DHCP first
- Keeping
 - ECU (UDS address)
 - TCP session (MCD-3D limitations)
 - IP address
 - vehicle (VIN)
 - aligned proved difficult
- Growing safety (engine-ECU reset while running) and security (OBD dongles) concerns





Addressing Issues



UDS-Server (ECU) Discovery Issues

 Given there are n vehicles on an assembly line or in a workshop, with m ECUs per vehicle, there may be 3xn×m vehicle announcement messages broadcast within 1.5 seconds





- This works well for a directly connected laptop but is likely hugely inefficient in an unknown network infrastructure
- As announcements can only be sent after IP Address Assignment, the discovery process is slow and unreliable with unintended consequences (time-out, message load, ...)

IP Address Assignment issues

- Given there are n vehicles on an assembly line or in a workshop, with m ECUs per vehicle, there will be n×m DHCP (IPv4) requests within a short time
- ISO13400 has no requirements on DHCP-servers
- On a Laptop DHCP, starts before AutolP
- ISO13400 has AutoIP settings for ECUs only
- Do all ECUs need to support IPv4 and IPv6?
- IP Address Assignment is slow and has unintended consequences (timeout, security, ...)





Globally unique MAC Address Scarcity

- Just like with IPv4 addresses, we see a scarcity of globally unique MAC addresses
- A node, which is exposed to an unknown network infrastructure must use a globally unique MAC address in order for switches/bridges to function properly
- ECUs see unknown network infrastructure only very few times during their lifecycle:
 - during testing
 - end of line software distribution
 - DoIP flash update in service
- Are we wasting MAC address space?



Vehicle Internal Communication



Vehicle Internal Gateways

- A "vehicle announcement message" can map one single IPaddress to one single logical UDS-address (with a common default port)
- A DoIP to CAN Gateway would potentially have to send one "vehicle announcement message" per CAN node
- If functions are to be deployed on more complex integrated ECUs (including hypervisors), the concept of one logical UDSaddress per "ECU box" may go away and logical UDS-addresses may be assigned to functions
- The diagnostic vehicle announcement and discovery concept may need to look more like a service discovery



Internal Tester is Required

- ISO13400 assumes the internal test equipment to be "optional" (section 6.2.3)
- This seems inaccurate as diagnostics via the OBD-CAN connection via a Gateway will result in a de-facto internal tester for all ECUs not connected to CAN
- While section 6.2.3 mentions "static IP address configuration", it does not make provisions for how to use these (VLAN?) these, how to switch between connections and how to do IP- to logical-address mapping
- There are no exceptions e.g. for "alive check" when using internal test equipment



TCP connection handling



Reconnection after an ECU-Reset

- During the Flash-Update process an ECU will go through reset at least once, breaking up the TCP connection
- Currently many testers start sensing connection requests after a "reset timeout". As these go to the same IP address, but the ECU needs to go through DHCP/AutoIP during boot-up, the ECU may no longer be reachable
- A vehicle internal GW needs to make sure it frees the resources taken up by terminated TCP connections, so the reconnection can succeed
- The reset of Switch-ECUs may terminate the reachability of any number of ECUs behind the switch/bridge



Error Handling

- DoIP has many error cases, where the TCP connection is terminated by the ECU, e.g. due to a duplicate tester address (after Alive-Check) or an unknown Payload-Type
- This is not very practical for a GW, where multiple Tester-to-ECU links may run over one single TCP connection
- It has proven difficult in a middleware environment where an application has limited control and knowledge over (limited) network resources



UDS over TCP

- TCP was chosen as the Layer 4 protocol, because DoIP was tailored to the flash-update use-case
- TCP timeouts do not fit well with UDS timeouts
- TCP has limited hardware support, limiting CAN to TCP gateway efficiency
- TCP resource and session handling is cumbersome
- TCP is perfect to deliver data through the internet to the vehicle!
- But: Is TCP the right protocol to distribute data inside the vehicle?

Security

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Edge-Node Security

- The dynamic address assignment and per ECU announcements require opening communication through the switch in the Edge-Node
- Trust between ECU, Test equipment and Vehicle is currently completely unrelated
- Smarter communication and situational awareness can e.g. allow the Edge-Node to set up filters in hardware



New ECU Integration

- If a new ECU is fitted to a vehicle, e.g. during repair in a workshop, there may be a need to update the software of the ECU, before it can communicate with the rest of the vehicle -This update may include key material
- Hardware support, e.g. of IEEE802.1X and IEEE802.1AE, along with smarter discovery can help isolate untrusted traffic flows through the vehicle



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Summary

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Conclusion

- The idea of a decentralized per ECU diagnostics flash access did not hold up with the increase in Ethernet-only connected ECUs
- The vehicle internal diagnostics communication is currently not sufficiently reflected in ISO13400
- There is no DoIP specification for test equipment, taking into account the ASAM MCD-3D standard
- Just going back to a software-gateway solution seems inefficient
- Smarter hardware solutions require a smarter protocol

 \Rightarrow A system description covering internal and external test equipment, ECUs as well as network infrastructure is desirable



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