IoT Communication

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Outline

- Overview of communication busses
- I2C
- SPI
- 1-Wire communication
- MODBUS
- CANbus

Structure of an IoT System



Internal Communication

- SPI
 - SD
- I2C
 - TWI
 - SMBus

• 1-Wire

- UPDI
- CSI, I2S, ...

External Communication

- Structure
- MODBUS
- CANBUS
- M-BUS
- FLEXRAY
- ARIC-429

Communication Busses Structure

- ISO-OSI reference model
- Physical Layer
- Coding and Modulation
- Data Units
- Conversation Protocols
- Number of nodes
- Transmission speed

ISO-OSI Reference Model





TCP/IP Reference Model



Industrial busses

Conversation protocol

Data Unit

Line Code

Physical Wiring

Physical Layer

- Number of conductors (wires)
- Unipolar / Bipolar / Differential signal
- Twisted pair
- Clock recovery usually homodyne = from the received signal or on separate conductors

Coding and Modulation

- A tour to domain of Faculty of Electrical Engineering
- Coding = translation of data (usually 8-bit) word to codeword transported via communication media
- Modulation = process of varying properties of a periodic waveform (carrier signal) with a separate signal that contains information to be transmitted



Line codes

- In case of transmission in base band
- Pattern of voltage, current, or photons used to represent digital data transmitted
- Most common: RZ, NRZ, Manchester, HDB3, AMI







Coding and Modulation

- Coding commonly not used
- Line code NRZ
- Symbols for logical "1", logical "0"
- Special symbol for start/end of the data unit
- Optional Parity bit

Internal Communication

The main branches

- I2C two wire bus
- SPI performance
- 1-Wire minimizing

Historical remarks

- These protocols founded later then RS-232 (UART),...
- Designed for small distance
- Original idea to simplify and unify internal structure of devices
- Evolution driven by new applications

Conversation protocol

Data Unit

Line Code

Physical Wiring



SPI

- Serial Peripheral Interface
- Motorola 1980
- Can be full-duplex
- For higher throughput
- Small number of devices
- Addressing realized by separate wires

SPI – physical layer – topology





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SPI – physical layer



SPI – physical layer

- 1 10 Mhz
- 8 / 16 bit
- 3.3 V / 5 V

SPI Modes

Mode	CPOL	СРНА
0	0	0
1	0	1
2	1	0
3	1	1

SPI – related protocols

Dual SPI

• Quad SPI (QSPI)





SPI for memory access



SD cards

For	m Factor	SD	microSD
Dimension			
Card C	Capacity Type	SD, SDHC, SDXC and SDUC	
Physical	Number of pins	High Speed and UHS-I : 9 pins UHS-II and UHS-III: 17 pins SD Express 1-lane: 17-19 pins SD Express 2-lane: 25-27 pins	High Speed and UHS-I : 8 pins UHS-II and UHS-III: 16 pins SD Express 1-lane: 17 pins
	Operating Voltage	3.3V VDD range in the first-row: 2.7V – 3.6V 1.8V VDD range in the second-row: 1.70V-1.95V	
	Write-protect Switch	YES	NO

12C

- Two-wire bus
- Planned for slow sensors
- Used, e.g., inside notebooks
- Multiple sensors on a bus
- Master-Slave approach
- Addressing

12C – physical layer

- Two-wire serial communication
- Master/Slave
- Philips 1982
- Originally 100 kHz, now 400 kHz
- Fast / Ultrafast mode 1 MHz / 5 MHz

12C – physical layer





I2C – addressing and conversation

- 7-bit addresses
- 10-bit alternative





- Data transmitted/received byte by byte
- Slave can increment internal counter to send next register
- Clock is generated by master

I2C – related protocols

- TWI
- SMBUS
- SWD

TWI

- Two-Wire Interface
- Almost the same as I2C
- Solves licence fees
- Both 100 kHz and 400 kHz
- Same addressing
- Many TWI and I2C devices compatible

SMBUS

- I2C and TWI are strictly Master / Slave
- What if slave device has some urgent info?
- System Management Bus

SMBUS

- Standardization in message format
- Timeouts





• How the code is uploade into STM32?
1-Wire

- Proprietary development Dallas Semiconductor
- Lowperformance sensors (16 kb/s)
- Minimizing number of wires
- Master / Slave
- Slave has a 64-bit system ID

1-Wire – physical layer

- 3-wire (PWR, GND, DATA)
- Parasitic power
 - 2-wire
 - GND & Data



1-Wire – physical layer – reset



1-Wire – physical layer – log. 0



1-Wire – physical layer – log. 1



1-Wire – procedure





1-Wire – protocol

ROM Command	Code
Search Rom	F0h
Read ROM	33h
Match ROM	55h
Skip ROM	CCh
Alarm Search	ECh

1-Wire – related protocols

- Proprietary (DHT-11 / DHT-22)
- UPDI

DHT-XX







UPDI

- Unified Program and Debug Interface
- Attiny

External Communication

Interface RS-232

- EIA-232 (Electronic Industries Association)
- ITU-T/CCITT V.24



- First introduced in 1960
- The character format and transmission bit rate are set by the serial port hardware - UART



- Both synchronous and asynchronous transmission
- Signal levels: ±5 V, ±10 V, ±12 V, ±15 V
- Modem signals
- Cable length up to 20 m





- Last release RS-232C defined in 1969
- Many baudrates up to 115200 Bd
- 9600 Bd common console



RS-232

Conversation protocol

Data Unit

Line Code

Physical Wiring



UART

- Baud Rate
- Parity bit

1

Start bit

- Data bits size
- Stop bits size
- Flow Control
- Default: 8N1

XOFF	CTRL+S	0x13
XON	CTRL+Q	0x11

0-1

Parity

1-2

Stopbits

5-9

Data bits

RS-485

- Defined in 1983 (EIA)
- Two-wire multipont network
- Similar basis as RS-232
- No modem signals
- Up to 32 nodes
- Up to 1200 m

RS-485

- Conductors A and B
- Binary 1 A negative with respect to B
- Binary 0 A positive with respect to B
- Termination on long lines
- Hardware conversion RS-232 / RS-485
- Transmission +- 2V
- Receiing min +- 200 mV



MODBUS

- Communication protocol published by Scheider Electric 1979
- Frequently used by SCADA (Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition) systems to connect remote terminal units (RTU)
- Popular in building automation cooling, heating, …
- 3 main versions:
 - MODBUS RTU
 - MODBUS ASCII
 - MODBUS TCP
 - Many extensions, not so important

MODBUS

- Client/Server (Master/Slave) architecture
- 8-bit address field, max 247 nodes on data link
- Client node must routinely poll each field device (server)
- No security mechanisms

MODBUS RTU Frame Format

Start of Frame	Node Address	Function Code	Data	Checksum	End of Frame
Min 28 bits	8 bits	8 bits	N x 8 bits	16 bits	Min 28 bits

MODBUS TCP Frame Format

Transcati on ID	Protocol	Length	Unit Identifier	Function Code	Data
2B	2B	2B	1B	1B	N Bytes
For synchronizat ion	0 for MODBUS TCP	Number of remaining bytes	For MODBUS TCP to/from MODBUS RTU gateways. 255 if unused		

MODBUS Object Types

Object Type	Access	Size	Addresses space
Coil	read-write	1 bit	00001 - 09999
Discrete Input	read	1 bit	10001 - 19999
Input Register	read	16 bits	30001 - 39999
Holding Register	read-write	16 bits	40001 - 49999

Function Codes

- Read Discrete Inputs (2)
- Read Coils (1)
- Write Single Coil (5)
- Write Multiple Coils (15)
- Read Input Registers (4)
- Read Multiple Holding Registers (3)
- Write Single Holding Register (6)
- Write Multiple Holding Registers (16)

M-Bus

- Meter Bus
- Developed for water, electricity and gas meters
- 1 Master, up to 250 Slaves
- Span up to 1000 m / 300 Bd or 350 m / 9600 Bd
- Special physical layer usable also for powering the meter
- https://m-bus.com/

M-Bus

- Developed by Uni Paderborn + TI Deutschland + Techem around 2000
- Respects ISO-OSI model
- Two-wire telephone cable
- EN 13757-2 physical and link layer
- EN 13757-3 application layer
- EN 13757-4 wireless M-Bus

M-Bus physical layer

- Master communicates on Volage level
 - Steady state = logical 1 Master sets the line to 36 V
 - Logical 0 = 24 V
- Master can power slaves
- Slaves communicate by change in current consumption
 - Steady state 1.5 mA sharp = logical 1
 - Logical 0 = current consumption increase by 11-20 mA

M-Bus Data Frame and Addressing

- 8-bit serial communication
- 8 bit addresses, optional network layer with secondary addresses, in this case address 253
- Link layer based on IEC 870-5
- Several data types:
 - Single byte: 0xE5 used as acknowledgement
 - Short frame: 0x10 + Control + Address + Checksum + 0x16
 - Long frame: 0x68 + Length + Length(twice) + 0x68 + Controll + Address + Control_Information + Data(0-252B) + Checksum + 0x16

CAN

- Controler Area Network
- Started in 1983 at Robert Bosch GmbH
- Started in automotive
- Latest specification CAN 2.0 (1991)
- CAN 2.0A 11-bit identifier
- CAN 2.0B 29-bit identifier
- In 1993 standardized as ISO 11898
- In 2012 CAN FD Flexible Data (Bosch)
- One of OBD-II protocols used for onboard car diagnostic

CAN bus

- Multimaster serial bus
- Two-wire line twistpair with nominal impedance 120Ω
- Terminated with resistors
- CAN high (CANH) and CAN low (CANL)
- Dominant state (CANH > CANL) = 0 CANH \rightarrow 3.5 V, CANL \rightarrow 1.5V
- Recesive state (CANL > CANH) = 1
- Baudrate 1 Mbps (5 Mbps on CAN-FD)
- 125 kbps low speed fault tolerant CAN
- Span 40 m

CAN node

- MCU
- CAN Controller
- CAN Transceiver



CAN bus Data Frame



CAN bus Data Frame



- RTR = transmit data / request for data
- IFS = Inter Frame Space
- Bit stuffing

CAN bus

- Line Code: NRZ
- Bit stuffing: after 5 consecutive bites of the same polarity a bit with opposite polarity is inserted
- Exceptions: CRC delimiter, ACK, End-of-Frame
- Frame size not necessarily multiple of 8 bits

CAN bus

- Identifier is not and address but a priority
- Receivers should be bit synchronous
- Lower identifier = higher priority
- If I send "1" and receive "0" (bit), someone else with hihger priority transmits → loss of arbitration
- Identifier must be unique
- Different philosophy: I'm transmitting data if I have some, who is interested can receive it


- Automotive
- Consortium of developers led by Bosch
- Since 2009 disbundled
- ISO 17458
- A bus and set of ECUs (Electronic Control Units)
- Stronger time determinism than CAN
- First used in BMW X5
- First fully powered by FlexRay BMW X7



FlexRay

- Speed up to 10 Mbps, 2047 nodes, 24 m
- Both copper and fiber lines (POF)
- ECUs have independent clock
- Drift from the reference no more tna 0.15%
- Only 1 ECU transmits at a time
- Each bit is transmitted in 8 cycles
- Each ECU has buffer for at least 5 cycles
- Majority of at least 5 samples





To be sent	1	0	1
Sent	11111111	00000000	11111111
Received	11111111	00010010	11111101
Voter	1	0	1





- Single or dual channel
- Multidrop bus
- Star topology
- Hybrid topology
- TDMA principle





- Communication cycle 1 5 ms
- Determined at network design







- Static segments broken up to slots
- Each slot reserved for given ECU
- Dynamic segment has fixed size
- Is broken to minislots (1us typicaly)
- Higher priority data pushes out lower priority ones
- Each slot contains a FlexRay Frame



FlexRay Frame

- 40 bit header
- 0-254 Bytes payload
- 24 bits trailer

Header Payload			Trail	Trailer	
12345	Frame ID	Payload Length	Header CRC	Cycle Count	
÷	11 bits	→ → 7 bits	< 11 bits	6 bits	
F	rame Type Bi	ts			



ARINC-429 / ARINC-629 / AFDX

Serial Busses Security remarks

- Designed for closed networks
- Security not addressed
- Now become more opened and vulnerable



Thank you for your attention! Questions and comments?