

Proposal for a Resource Allocation Protocol based on 802.1CS LRP

Industrial Requirements

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History of Stream Configuration in IEEE 802.1

1st Step – Stream Reservation Protocol (SRP) in Audio / Video Bridging (AVB)

- AVB has standardized a Stream Reservation Protocol (MSRPv0) for distributed stream configuration
 - Main focus was the audio / video applications
 - A fix set of Stream Reservation Classes (A, B) provided by Credit-based Shaper (CBS)

è Guaranteed QoS is provided by reservation and shaper

2nd Step – Enhancements for Stream Reservation for Time-Sensitive-Networking (TSN)

- Qcc focuses on the centralized configuration models driven by the need of scheduling for scheduled traffic
 - The new TSN features (e.g. pre-emption, redundancy, Scheduled Traffic, ...) are currently only supported by CNC based configuration models.
 - The "fully" distributed configuration model is still restricted to CBS.

è Guaranteed QoS is provided by time based scheduling (Scheduled Traffic)

Resource Allocation Protocol

Proposal: 3rd Step – Resource Allocation Protocol (RAP)*

- q Following the concept of MSRP for AVB, a new resource allocation protocol built on LRP is needed to provide a distributed solution for stream configuration with the following goals:
 - improved scalability (offered by LRP)

support for TSN features

(e.g. configurable SRclass, transmission mechanism, redundancy)

enhanced performance

(e.g. improved information flow, enhanced diagnostic capabilities)

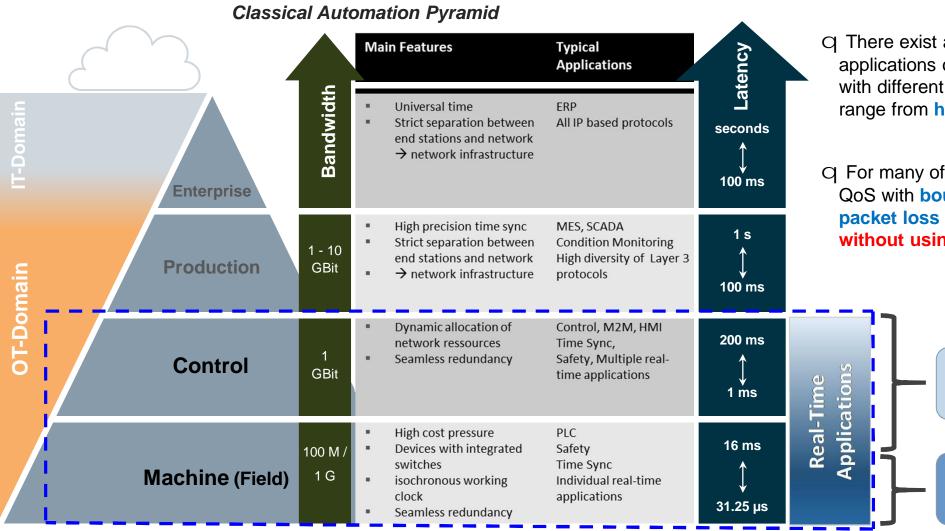
q RAP as a distributed solution is NOT intended as a substitute for the centralized stream configuration model

* **Note**: instead of "Stream Reservation Protocol", a new name "Resource Allocation Protocol" is used to distinguish between two protocols that are built on different underlying registration mechanisms, i.e. RAP on LRP vs. MSRP on MRP.

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Not All Industrial Real-Time applications require Lowest Latency with Scheduled Traffic



Q There exist a number of industrial applications on both control and field levels with different real-time requirements in the range from hundreds of µs to tens of ms.

Q For many of such applications, guaranteed QoS with bounded max. latency and zero packet loss can be achieved by TSN without using scheduled traffic.

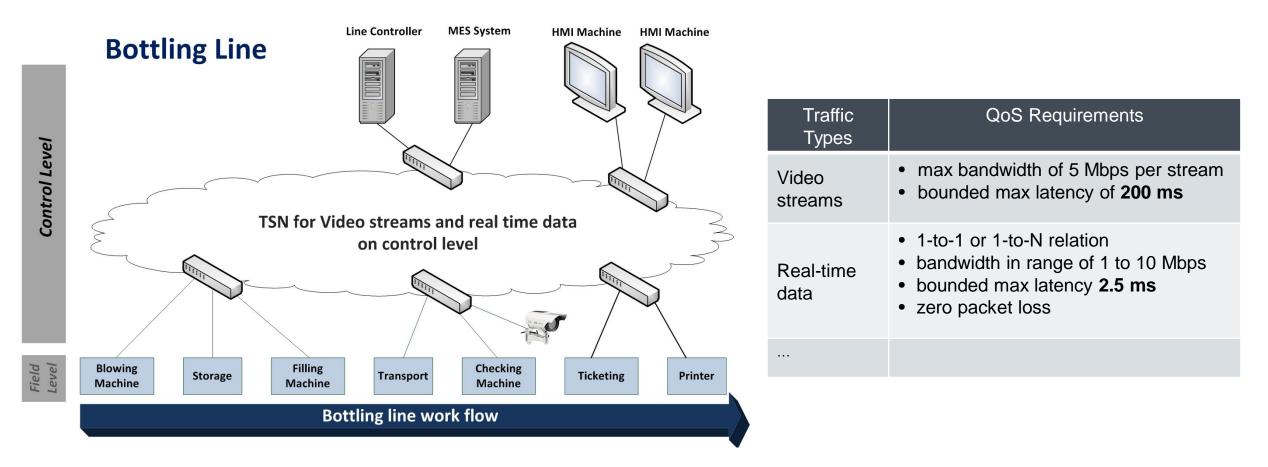
> bounded max. latency and zero packet loss

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highest determinism with lowest latency

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Example of Control-Level Applications

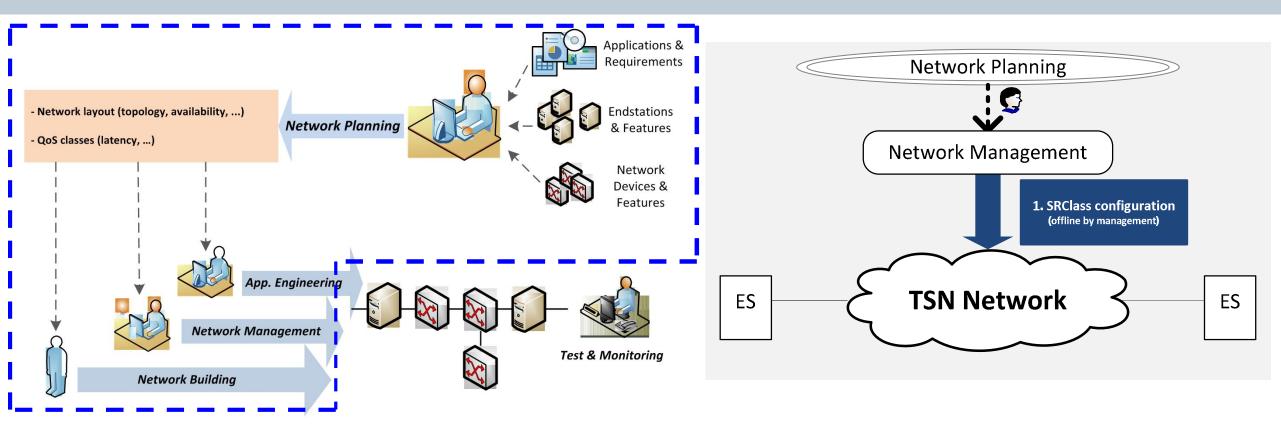


More on requirements of industrial control-level applications for Time Sensitive Networks in Manufacturing are presented in http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2015/tsn-munz-requirements-for-tsn-in-manufacturing-0515-v01.pdf

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Design Flow of Industrial Networks for Distributed Stream Configuration (1)

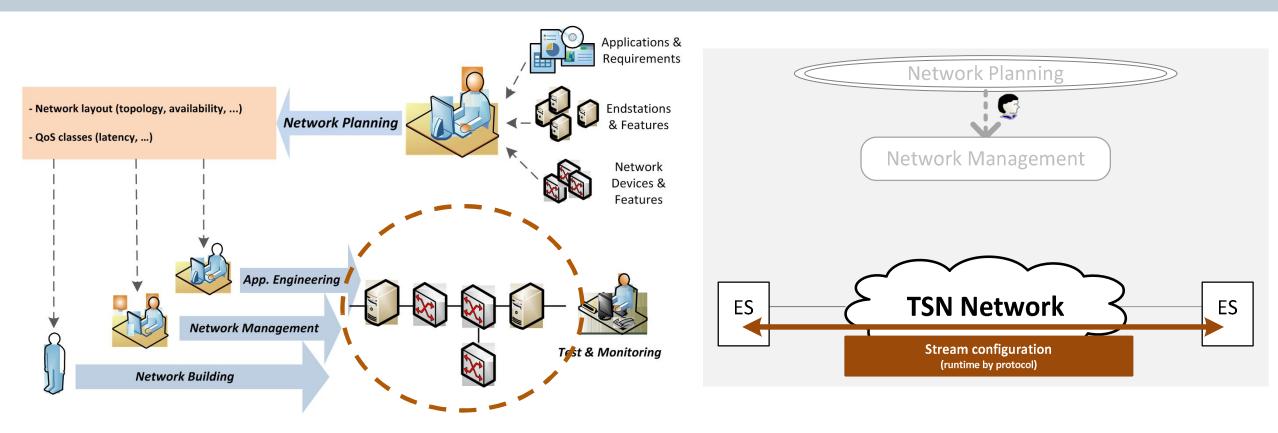


Step 1. Offline network planning and engineering

A set of SRclasses are pre-configured by network management, where each SRclass represents a given level of QoS provided by the network.

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Design flow of Industrial Networks for Distributed Stream Configuration (2)



Step 2: run-time stream configuration

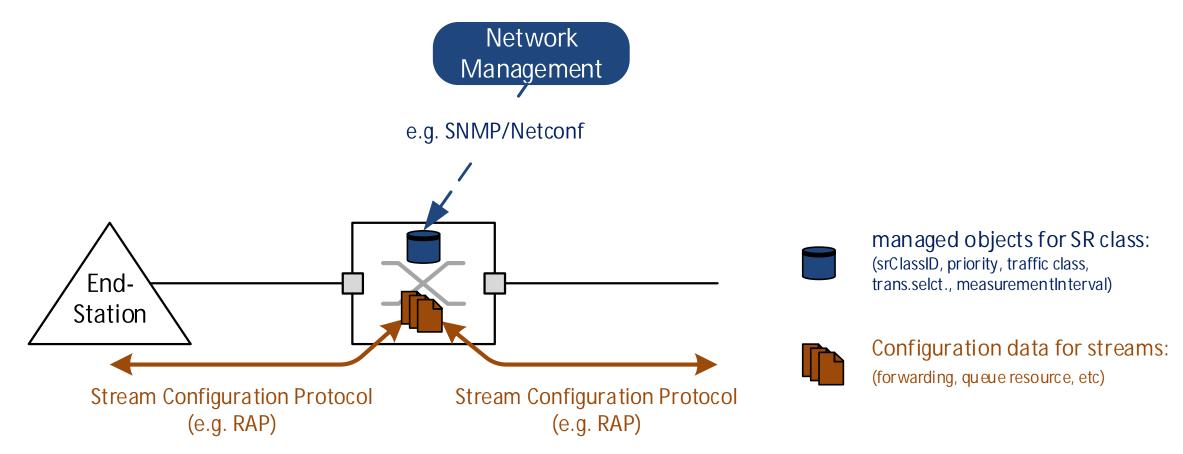
A stream configuration protocol (initiated by end-stations) performs bandwidth reservation and resource allocation for each stream on the network.

Industrial End-Stations have the capability of initiating stream configuration on the Network

Example: End-station triggers distributed stream configuration on a time sensitive network

(comparable to MSRP in AVB)

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Summary

Why Distributed Stream Configuration for Industrial?

- q A new stream configuration protocol based on LRP is needed to provide a distributed solution for those industrial real-time applications that
 - do not require lowest latency, which is typically realized by applying centralized scheduling for scheduled traffic
 - but still desire TSN benefits such as bounded max latency and zero packet loss
- q The design flow of industrial automation networks is able to support the concept of distributed stream configuration
 - SR classes are preconfigured using management offline
 - Stream configuration is executed by a protocol at run-time

q Industrial End-Stations have the capabilities of initiating stream configuration onto the network

Thank You!



Questions?

