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Introduction to PROFIBUS on Industrial PC

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- First Aid qualification.
Manuals for PROFIBUS on Industrial PC

Introduction to PROFIBUS on Industrial PC .............................................. C79000-G8976-C068
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Configuring the S7 Mode with COML S7 ................................................... C79000-G8976-C074
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1 The Product Spectrum Around the PROFIBUS on Industrial PC

**PROFIBUS CP**

SIMATIC NET communications processors like the CP 5412 (A2) or CP 5511 form the hardware basis for attaching your personal computer (PC) or programming device (PG) to PROFIBUS.

**Product Combinations**

The following software products can only be used, if a PROFIBUS communications processor is installed in your PC or PG. Not every software package is available for all operating systems and all PROFIBUS communications processors. Further information about the possible combinations can be found in the SIMATIC NET catalog "IK 10" and the product information.

**PG Package**

With this software, you can operate the STEP 5 and STEP 7 program packages via PROFIBUS.

**DP Package**

With this software, you can develop and use application programs for the DP master on your PC or PG.

DP package contains the FDL programming interface, with which you can develop and use application programs for communication using layer 2 of PROFIBUS (for example, for communication with the SIMATIC S5-95).

**FMS Package**

With this software, you can develop and use application programs for FMS (layer 7 of PROFIBUS) on your PC or PG.

**S7 Package**

With this software, you can develop and use application programs for the S7 protocol (for data exchange with SIMATIC S7 systems) on your PC or PG.
2 How to Use the Manuals

Users of STEP 5 and STEP 7
Read
- the chapter Description of the Architecture,
- the Hardware Installation Instructions for your CP and
- the Software Installation Instructions for the PG package.

Users of DP Applications
Read
- the chapter Description of the Architecture,
- the Hardware Installation Instructions for your CP,
- the Software Installation Instructions for the DP package and
- the volume "ET 200 Distributed I/O System".

Programmers of DP Applications
Read
- the chapter Description of the Architecture,
- the Hardware Installation Instructions for your CP,
- the Software Installation Instructions for the DP package,
- the volume "The DP Programming Interface" and
- the volume "ET 200 Distributed I/O System".

Users of FDL Applications
Read
- the chapter Description of the Architecture,
- the Hardware Installation Instructions for your CP and
- the Software Installation Instructions for the DP package.

Programmers of FDL Applications
Read
- the chapter Description of the Architecture,
- the Hardware Installation Instructions for your CP,
- the Software Installation Instructions for the DP package and
- the volume "FDL programming interface".
Users of FMS Applications

Read

- the chapter Description of the Architecture,
- the Hardware Installation Instructions for your CP,
- the Software Installation Instructions for the FMS package and
- the configuration instructions in the volume “ET 200 Distributed I/O System”.

Programmers of FMS Applications

Read

- the chapter Description of the Architecture,
- the Hardware Installation Instructions for your CP,
- the Software Installation Instructions for the FMS package,
- the configuration instructions the volume “ET 200 Distributed I/O System” and
- the volume “FMS Programming interface”.

Users of S7 Applications

Read

- the chapter Description of the Architecture,
- the Hardware Installation Instructions for your CP,
- the Software Installation Instructions for the S7 package and
- the configuration instructions in the volume “Configuring the S7 Mode with COML S7”.

Programmers of S7 Applications

Read

- the chapter Description of the Architecture,
- the Hardware Installation Instructions for your CP,
- the Software Installation Instructions for the S7 package and
- the configuration instructions in "Configuring the S7 Mode with COML S7" and
- the volume “S7 Programming Interface”. ☑
3 Description of the Architecture

This chapter provides you with an overview of the following:

- The conditions for trouble-free operation of a communications system.
- General information about the communications systems available from Siemens.
- Detailed information about the PROFIBUS communications network.

At the end of the chapter

- You will have the basic information you require about the reference model for communication, the ISO/OSI model.
- You will have an overview of the various communications networks available from Siemens for different applications and requirements.
- You will know the PROFIBUS architecture.

Above all, you will recognize the advantages of using PROFIBUS, such as:

- Communication between all devices.
- Independence from specific vendors in a heterogeneous network.
- Applications based on standards allowing long-term planning and use of equipment and systems.
3.1 The ISO/OSI Reference Model

Trouble-Free Interaction

As the user of powerful automation components such as host computers, programmable logic controllers, printers, data servers etc., you expect trouble-free interaction between these devices and control systems and features such as:

- Use of communication systems without time-consuming configuration and programming.
- Independence from any one particular vendor.
- Flexible modification of plant structures without affecting communication.
- The highest possible reliability in data transmission.
- Long-term planning and use of equipment (today’s devices should be able to communicate with those of tomorrow).

Open Communication

The answer to such requirements is a heterogeneous network of automation components, in which devices from a variety of vendors can communicate (open communication). In contrast, in a homogeneous network, only devices of one vendor can communicate with each other.

The ISO/OSI Reference Model

The International Standards Organization (ISO) defined a reference model for open system communication for heterogeneous networks. This ISO/OSI reference model provides a guideline for standardization of communications procedures. It provides a framework for standardizing communications procedures in seven layers. All manufacturers of automation components or generally of data terminal equipment, not only for industry, today base their products on the ISO/OSI reference model (Figure 3.1).

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<td>Establishes transfer syntax.</td>
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<td>5 Session layer</td>
<td>Establishes, maintains, terminates communication sessions</td>
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<td>4 Transport layer</td>
<td>Transfers “raw” information reliably.</td>
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<td>3 Network layer</td>
<td>Provides network connections.</td>
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<tr>
<td>2 Data link layer</td>
<td>Establishes and terminates links.</td>
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<td>1 Physical layer</td>
<td>Regulates physical connections for bit transfer.</td>
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Figure 3.1 The Seven Layers of the ISO/OSI Reference Model
3.2 SIMATIC NET Communications Networks

SIMATIC NET is an open, heterogeneous communications system with a variety of local area networks (LANs) providing various ranges of performance for manufacturing and process automation in industry. It is based on national and international standards according to the ISO/OSI reference model.

SIMATIC NET provides the following communications networks for different requirements (Figure 3.2):

- **Industrial Ethernet**, a cell and management level network based on IEEE 802.3 (ETHERNET).
- **PROFIBUS**, a cell and field level communications network complying with PROFIBUS (Process Field Bus, En 50 170. /1/
- **AS-Interface** (based on AS-i) a communications network for the actuator and sensor level.

![SIMATIC NET Communications Networks Diagram](Figure 3.2)
3.3 PROFIBUS

Area of Application of PROFIBUS

PROFIBUS is

- the network for the cell and field area of the medium performance range within the open, heterogeneous SIMATIC NET communications system intended primarily for an industrial environment.

- a powerful communications system for low-cost applications. It provides all the known advantages of a bus system and meets all the requirements for flexible, cost-effective networking of programmable logic controllers and computers in an industrial environment.

PROFIBUS

Known under the name PROFIBUS, PROFIBUS is based on the standard specified in EN 50 170 and is based on the ISO/OSI reference model. By meeting the requirements of EN 50 170, PROFIBUS provides the “openness” required for attaching components from other vendors that comply with the standard.

The Protocol Profile of PROFIBUS

PROFIBUS (Figure 3.3) is based on the ISO/OSI reference model, but does not implement all seven layers. For reasons of performance and to reduce costs, only layers 1 (Physical Layer / RS485) and 2 (Data Link Layer / FDL) for the physical bus characteristics and access techniques and layer 7 (Application Layer) as the user interface are implemented. The attachment of layer 7 to layer 2 is controlled by the lower layer interface (LLI). This provides all the required layer 3 to 6 functions.

Architecture of PROFIBUS

![Diagram of PROFIBUS Architecture](image)

Figure 3.3 The PROFIBUS Architecture
3.4 Network Architecture

Figure 3.4 Network Architecture of PROFIBUS
3.5 Overview of the Protocols

3.5.1 The PG Protocol

Area of Application of the PG Protocol

The PG protocol is used to operate the STEP 5 or STEP 7 SIMATIC software packages with SIMATIC NET communications processor. This protocol allows access by STEP 5 or STEP 7 programs to SIMATIC programmable logic controllers via PROFIBUS. The PG protocol is not yet available for the UNIX operating system.
### 3.5.2 FMS Programming Interface

**SAPI-FMS**

The Siemens implementation of the FMS programming interface is known as SAPI-FMS.

**What Does SAPI-FMS Mean?**

The acronym SAPI-FMS stands for:
- SAPI - Simple Application Programmers Interface
- FMS - Fieldbus Message Specification - the layer 7 communications protocol of PROFIBUS.

**What Is SAPI-FMS?**

SAPI-FMS
- represents a simple C programming interface,
- provides access to the FMS services on PCs and PGs and
- is available as a C library and is operated with SIMATIC NET drivers and SIMATIC NET communications processors.

**Advantages of the SAPI-FMS Programming Interface**

The SAPI-FMS programming interface has the following advantages:
- SAPI-FMS is a simple but flexible and powerful interface.
- The SAPI-FMS programming interface uses asynchronous procedures.
- SAPI-FMS handles sequential services such as the transfer of a communication relationship list automatically.
- SAPI-FMS converts variable data automatically into the format of the local CPU.
- SAPI-FMS supports troubleshooting with an integrated trace function.
- The SAPI-FMS programming interface is compatible with other SAPI programming interfaces.
- The SAPI-FMS programming interface can also be used by other programs, for example BASIC or Pascal programs.
3.5.3 The DP Protocol

Distributed I/Os

The distributed peripheral I/Os (abbreviated to DP) allow you to use a large number of distributed analog and digital input/output modules in the immediate vicinity of the process.

Networking DP components using PROFIBUS means a considerable reduction in cabling compared with previous direct wiring of the components.

Large distances between the individual I/O devices can be bridged by PROFIBUS (PROFIBUS). Distributed I/O stations collect the input signals locally and these are then fetched by the central controller in the computer. The central controller also sends output data to the distributed I/O stations cyclically.

The DP protocol is intended for time-critical applications. An optimized and simplified transmission protocol means high transmission rates and the use of a master-slave structure results in short cycle times.

The DP protocol is based on the communications standard for the field area (PROFIBUS EN 50 170) EN 50 170. The concept of DP communication was worked out in a common project undertaken by leading manufacturers of automation equipment. It describes a heterogeneous transmission protocol tailor-made for the requirements of the field area.

Main Characteristics

The main characteristics of the distributed peripheral I/O system are as follows:

- Central control by one master.
- High data throughput thanks to a simple transmission protocol.
- Cyclic transmission of the process image in the input and output direction.
- Simple, cost-effective network attachment.
- Data transmission with the option of twisted-pair (RS 485) or fiber-optic cables.
- Detection of errors with on-line diagnostics.
- Based on EN 50 170, allowing parallel operation with FMS devices (masters and slaves) on one bus.
The DP Interface of a PROFIBUS CP

Figure 3.5 shows the basic structure and the components of a PROFIBUS-DP system controlled by a computer with a PROFIBUS communications processor installed.

![Diagram](image)

**Figure 3.5. Basic Structure**

**Definition of DP Slave and DP Master**

The PROFIBUS standard EN 50 170 defines two classes of station on the bus:

- Passive stations
- Active stations

In the distributed I/O system, the I/O devices are passive stations. They are known as DP-Slaves. The DP slaves are controlled by an active master station. This master station is known as the DP master.

**DP Programming Interface**

The DP programming interface allows the use of a PROFIBUS CP in a PG/PC as a DP master class 1. The PC in conjunction with the PROFIBUS CP controls communication with the distributed I/O devices and handles the central functions of a DP master class 1 according to EN 50 170. This involves the following functions:

- Initialization of the DP system.
- Parameter assignment/configuration of the DP slaves.
- Cyclic data transfer to the DP slaves.
- Monitoring the DP slaves.
- Preparing diagnostic information.
3.5.4 S7 Programming Interface

SAPI-S7

SAPI-S7 is the C programming interface for access to the S7 communications protocol on PGs/PCs.

What Does SAPI-S7 Mean?
The acronym SAPI-FMS stands for:
- SAPI - Simple Application Programmers Interface
- S7 layer 7 communications protocol for SIMATIC S7 systems.

What Is SAPI-S7?
SAPI-S7
- Represents a simple C programming interface,
- Provides access to the S7 services on PCs and PGs and
- Is available as a C library and is operated with SIMATIC NET drivers and SIMATIC NET communications processors.

Advantages of the SAPI-S7 Programming Interface
The SAPI-S7 programming interface has the following advantages:
- SAPI-S7 is a simple but flexible and powerful interface.
- The SAPI-S7 programming interface uses asynchronous procedures.
- SAPI-S7 handles sequential services such as the active and passive establishment of an S7 connection.
- SAPI-S7 supports troubleshooting with an integrated trace function.
- The SAPI-S7 programming interface is compatible with other SAPI programming interfaces.
- The SAPI-S7 programming interface can also be used by other programs, for example BASIC or Pascal programs.
3.5.5 The FDL Protocol

**Area of Application of the FDL Protocol**

The FDL protocol is used for communication with PROFIBUS components complying with PROFIBUS EN 50 170. The CP can be operated as a master.

**Services of the FDL Protocol**

A distinction is made between management services and productive services. With the management services you can make the local settings required by the productive services. The productive services allow data transfer between the various PROFIBUS stations. A list of the services available can be found in the volume “FDL Programming Interface”.

**Creating an Application**

An application is created in the C/C++ programming language. The FDL application can be written for MS DOS, for MS Windows 3.x, for MS Windows 95, for MS Windows NT or for UNIX.
3.6 The Multiprotocol Mode

What does Multiprotocol Mode Mean?
With multiprotocol mode you can process more than one protocol at the same time (for example DP and FMS). This applies both to the use of more than one protocol within an application as well as the parallel operation of more than one application with different protocols.

Support of Multiprotocol Mode
Support of multiprotocol mode may be restricted when using special communications processors and operating systems. You find further information in the product information.
3.7 Software and Hardware Components

The Software and Hardware Components under MS-DOS

![Diagram of software and hardware components under MS-DOS](image)

Figure 3.6 Software and Hardware Components under MS DOS

The Software and Hardware Components under MS Windows 3.x, MS Windows 95, MS Windows NT

![Diagram of software and hardware components under MS Windows](image)

Figure 3.7 Software and Hardware Components under MS Windows 3.x, 95, NT
The Software and Hardware Components under UNIX

Figure 3.8  Software and Hardware Components under UNIX
3.8 Communications Options

with SIMATIC S5  communication is possible using the following:
• the STEP 5 package
• FMS applications
• FDL applications
• DP applications

with SIMATIC S7  communication is possible using the following:
• STEP 7 package
• FMS applications
• S7 applications
• FDL applications
• DP applications

with other PGs/PCs or workstations  communication is possible using the following:
• FMS applications
• FDL applications

with other programmable logic controllers  communication is possible using the following:
• FMS applications
• FDL applications
• DP applications

with DP slaves  communication is possible using the following:
• DP applications

SCOPE for PROFIBUS Diagnostic Tool  The SCOPE for PROFIBUS records all the frames and can be used to debug and troubleshoot when programming and installing systems.
NOTES
4 Where to Obtain Help

4.1 Help with Technical Questions

Documentation

You will find information about topics related to using this software in the following sources:

- In the relevant printed documentation
- In the help system integrated in the software (F1 key)
- In text files on the SIMATIC NET CD

Who to Contact

If you have technical questions about using the software and your problem is not dealt with in the documentation or in the integrated help system, please contact your Siemens representative or dealer.

The addresses are listed in the following:

- in our Catalog IK 10
- on the Internet (http://www.ad.siemens.de/net)

Common Questions

Our customer support on the Internet provides useful information and answers to common questions. Under FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions), you will find a variety of information about our entire range of products.

The address of the SIMATIC NET homepage in the worldwide web of Internet is:

- http://www.ad.siemens.de/net

Hotline

If you have problems, you can also contact our hotline:

- Telephone: 0911 - 895 - 7000
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- Telefax: 0911 - 895 - 7002
  (from abroad +49 - 911 - 895 - 7002)
- E-Mail: simatic.support@nbgm.siemens.de
- Mailbox (BBS, analog/ISDN, 8N1):
  0911 - 895 - 7100
  (vom Ausland +49 - 911 - 895 - 7100)
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5 Further Reading

/1/ EN 50170, Volume 2
   Deutsche elektrotechnische Komission im DIN und VDE (DKE), Frankfurt
Glossary

Base address
Logical address of a module in S7 systems.

Bus parameters
Bus parameters control the data transmission on the bus. Each -> station on the -> PROFIBUS network must use bus parameters that match those of other stations.

Bus segment
Part of a -> subnet. Subnets can consist of bus segments and connectivity devices such as repeaters and bridges. Segments are transparent for addressing.

CFB
Communication Function Block: A communication technique for program-controlled transmission of data from or to a CPU in an S7-300/400 using special function blocks. These function blocks were defined based on the IEC 1131-5 draft. The communication partners can be other modules with communication capabilities in an S7-300/400, operator stations, PCs or other controllers and computers.

CP
Communications Processor. Module for communication tasks.

Device master data
Device master data (GSD) contain DP slave descriptions complying with EN 50 170, Volume 2. Using device master data makes configuration of the -> DP master and -> DP slaves easier.

Distributed I/Os
Input and output modules used at a distance (distributed) from the CPU (central processing unit of the controller). The connection between the programmable controller and the distributed I/Os is established on -> PROFIBUS. The programmable logic controllers do not recognize any difference between these I/Os and local process inputs and outputs.

DP I/O module
DP slaves have a modular design. A -> DP slave has at least one DP I/O module.

DP I/O type
The DP I/O type identifies a -> DP I/O module. The following types exist:

  - Input module
  - Output module
  - Input/output module

DP master
A -> station with master functions in -> PROFIBUS DP. The DP master controls the exchange of user data with the -> DP slaves assigned to it.

DP module list
The DP module list contains the modules belonging to a -> DP slave. You make entries in the DP module list when configuring a -> DP master with -> COM PROFIBUS.

DP module name
Name of a -> DP I/O module entered in the ->DP module module list.
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<td>DP module type</td>
<td>Type identifier of a -&gt; DP I/O module in the -&gt; device master data of a -&gt; DP slave complying with EN 50 170, Volume 2.</td>
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<td>DP slave</td>
<td>A -&gt; station with slave functions in -&gt; PROFIBUS DP.</td>
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<td>DP slave catalog</td>
<td>The DP slave catalog contains the device descriptions of -&gt; DP slaves required for configuring -&gt; DP masters according to the -&gt; DP standard. The DP slave catalog is available when configuring with -&gt; COM PROFIBUS.</td>
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<td>DP slave name</td>
<td>A DP slave name is entered in the DP slave list to identify a -&gt; DP slave in the DP configuration.</td>
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<td>DP subnet</td>
<td>PROFIBUS subnet in which only -&gt; distributed I/Os are operated.</td>
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<td>DP subsystem</td>
<td>A -&gt; DP master and all -&gt; DP slaves with which this DP master exchanges data.</td>
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<td>Driver</td>
<td>Software required for the data transfer between applications and the -&gt; CP.</td>
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<td>Enhanced mode</td>
<td>Enhanced mode under 3.x for personal computers with an Intel 386 or compatible processor.</td>
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<td>FDL</td>
<td>Fieldbus Data Link. Layer 2 in -&gt; PROFIBUS.</td>
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<td>Frame</td>
<td>A message from one PROFIBUS station to another.</td>
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<td>Frame header</td>
<td>A frame header consists of an identifier for the -&gt; frame and the source and destination address.</td>
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<td>Frame trailer</td>
<td>A frame trailer consists of a checksum and the end identifier of the -&gt; frame.</td>
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<td>FREEZE mode</td>
<td>The FREEZE mode is a DP mode in which process data are acquired at the same time and fetched from all (or a group of) DP slaves. The time at which the data are acquired is indicated in the FREEZE command (a synchronization control frame).</td>
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<td>Gap update factor</td>
<td>A free address area (gap) between two active -&gt; stations is checked cyclically by the station with the lower -&gt; PROFIBUS address to find out whether or not another station is requesting to enter the logical ring. The cycle time for this check is as follows:</td>
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<td>gap update factor x target rotation time</td>
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<td>Gateway</td>
<td>Intelligent connectivity device that connects different types of local area -&gt; networks at OSI layer 7.</td>
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<td>GD packet</td>
<td>Collection of data that may be distributed within the programmable logic controller (for example flags/memory bits or data blocks) to be transferred using the -&gt; global data technique.</td>
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<td>GD group</td>
<td>A GD group is a group of -&gt; stations that exchange global data with each other. A -&gt; GD packet is sent to the stations belonging to the GD group.</td>
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<td>Global data</td>
<td>Global data (GD) is the name of a communication technique for the cyclic exchange of limited amounts of data from STEP 7 data areas between CPUs of the S7-300/400. Transmitted data can be received by several CPUs at the same time.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Global I/Os</td>
<td>Part of the I/O area of SIMATIC S5 PLCs can be used for global data exchange between SIMATIC S5 PLCs on -&gt; PROFIBUS. The main characteristic of this technique is the cyclic transmission of data that have changed since the last cycle.</td>
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<td>Group identifier</td>
<td>DP slaves can be assigned to one or more groups using a group identifier. The -&gt; control frames can be addressed to specific groups of DP slaves using the group identifier.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Highest PROFIBUS address</td>
<td>A -&gt; bus parameter for -&gt; PROFIBUS. This specifies the highest -&gt; PROFIBUS address (HSA) of an active -&gt; station on the PROFIBUS bus. PROFIBUS addresses higher than the highest station address are possible for passive stations (possible values: HSA 1 to 126).</td>
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<td>Master</td>
<td>An active station in -&gt; PROFIBUS that can send -&gt; frames on its own initiative when it is in possession of the token.</td>
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<td>Maximum station delay</td>
<td>A -&gt; bus parameter for -&gt; PROFIBUS. The maximum station delay (max. TSDR) specifies the longest interval required by a -&gt; station in the -&gt; subnet between receiving the last bit of an unacknowledged -&gt; frame and sending the first bit of the next frame. After sending an unacknowledged frame, a sender must wait for the max. TSDR to elapse before sending a further frame.</td>
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<td>Minimum station delay</td>
<td>A -&gt; bus parameter for -&gt; PROFIBUS. The minimum station delay (min. TSDR) specifies the minimum time that the receiver of a -&gt; frame must wait before sending the acknowledgment or sending a new frame. The min. TSDR takes into account the longest interval required by a station in the subnet for receiving an acknowledgment after sending a frame.</td>
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<td>Network</td>
<td>A network consists of one or more interconnected -&gt; subnets with any number of -&gt; stations. Several networks can exist side by side. There is a common -&gt; node table for every -&gt; subnet.</td>
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</table>
**Node table**
The node table applies to all -> networks within a -> system. Each entry in the node table describes the interface between a programmable logic controller (or any other station) and a -> subnet. The entries in the subnet are used by the system to locate and establish connections between stations.

**Offset**
The length of the reserved area at the beginning of a data buffer of the FDL programming interface.

**Process image**
The process image is a special memory area in the programmable logic controller. At the start of the cyclic program, the signal states of the input modules are transferred to the process image of the inputs. At the end of the cyclic program, the process image of the outputs is transferred to the output modules.

**PROFIBUS**
SIMATIC NET bus system for industrial applications based on PROFIBUS.
A fieldbus complying with EN 50 170.

**PROFIBUS address**
The PROFIBUS address is a unique identifier for a -> station connected to -> PROFIBUS (PROFIBUS). The PROFIBUS address is transferred in the -> frame to address a -> station.

**PROFIBUS DP**
PROFIBUS distributed I/Os. Transmission services complying with PROFIBUS EN 50 170.

**PROFIBUS DP master**
A -> station with master functions in -> PROFIBUS DP.

**PROFIBUS FMS**
PROFIBUS Fieldbus Message Specification. Upper sublayer of layer 7 of the ISO/OSI reference model for PROFIBUS.

**PROFIBUS PA**
PROFIBUS PA is a recommendation of the PROFIBUS users’ organization extending PROFIBUS EN 50 170 to include aspects of intrinsic safety.

**Protocol**
A set of rules governing data transmission. Using these rules, both the formats of the messages and the data flow during transmission can be specified.

**Reorganization token ring**
All the -> masters on -> PROFIBUS form a logical token ring. Within this token ring, the token is passed on from station to station. If the transmission of the token is incorrect or if a master is removed from the ring, this leads to an error when the token is passed on (the token is not accepted by this station) and the station is excluded from the ring.
**SCOPE for PROFIBUS**

Diagnostic software for -> PROFIBUS with which the traffic on the -> network can be recorded and analyzed.

**Segment**

Synonym for -> bus segment.

**Services**

Services provided by a communication protocol.

**Setup time**

A -> bus parameter for -> PROFIBUS. The setup time specifies the minimum interval on the sender between receiving an acknowledgment and sending a new call frame.

**SIMATIC NET**

Siemens Network and Communication. Product name for -> Siemens networks and network components.

**Slot time**

A bus parameter for -> PROFIBUS. The slot time (TSL) is the time during which the sender of a -> frame waits for the acknowledgment from the receiver before detecting a timeout.

**Station**

A station is identified by an -> PROFIBUS address in the -> PROFIBUS network.

**Subnet**

A subnet is part of a -> network whose -> bus parameters (for example -> PROFIBUS addresses) must be matched. It includes the bus components and all attached stations. Subnets can, for example, be connected together by -> gateways to form a network.

A -> system consists of several subnets with unique -> subnet numbers. A subnet consists of several -> stations with unique -> PROFIBUS addresses.

**Subnet number**

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**SYNC mode**

The SYNC mode is a DP mode in which several or all -> DP slaves transfer data to their process outputs at a certain time. The time at which the data is transferred is indicated in the SYNC command (a control command for synchronization).

**System**

All the electrical equipment within a system. A system includes, among other things, programmable logic controllers, devices for operation and monitoring, bus systems, field devices, actuators, supply lines.

**Target rotation time**

A -> bus parameter for -> PROFIBUS. The token represents the right to transmit for a -> station on PROFIBUS. A station compares the actual token rotation time it has measured with the target rotation time and depending on the result can then send high or low priority frames.
### Transmission rate
Transmission rate on the bus (unit in bits per second). A bus parameter for PROFIBUS. The set or selected transmission rate depends on various conditions, for example distance across the network.

### Watchdog (time)
A monitoring time that can be set for a DP slave so that it detects the failure of the DP master to which it is assigned.