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Abstract: This Local and Metropolitan Area Network standard, ISO/IEC 8802-3 : 1993 [ANSI/IEEE Std 802.3, 1993 Edition], specifies the media access control characteristics for the Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection (CSMA/CD) access method. It also specifies the media, Medium Attachment Unit (MAU) and physical layer repeater unit for 10 Mb/s baseband and broadband systems, and it provides a 1 Mb/s baseband implementation. Specifications for MAU types 10BASE5, 10BASE2, FOIRL (fiber optic inter-repeater link), 10BROAD36, 1BASE5, and 10BASE-T are included. System considerations for multisegment 10 Mb/s baseband networks are provided. Layer and sublayer interface specifications are aligned to the ISO Open Systems Interconnection Basic Reference Model and 8802 models. The 8802-3 internal model is defined and used.
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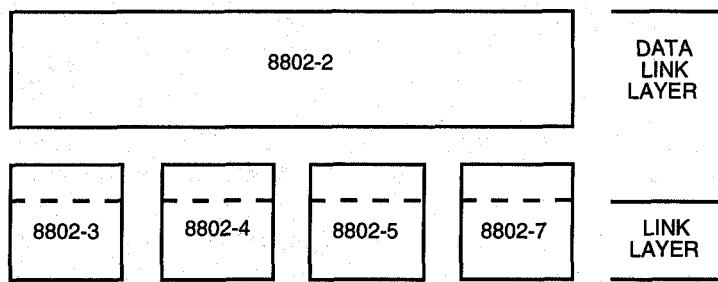
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The standards defining these technologies are as follows:

(1) ISO/IEC 8802-3 [ANSI/IEEE Std 802.3, 1993 Edition], a bus utilizing CSMA/CD as the access method,
(2) ISO/IEC 8802-4 [ANSI/IEEE Std 802.4-1990], a bus utilizing token passing as the access method,
(3) ISO/IEC 8802-5 [ANSI/IEEE Std 802.5-1992], a ring utilizing token passing as the access method,
(4) ISO 8802-7, a ring utilizing slotted ring as the access method.

ISO 8802-2 [ANSI/IEEE Std 802.2-1989], *Logical Link Control protocol*, is used in conjunction with the medium access standards.

ISO/IEC 10038 [ANSI/IEEE Std 802.1D, 1993 Edition], *Media access control (MAC) bridges*, specifies an architecture and protocol for the interconnection of IEEE 802 LANs below the MAC service boundary.

The reader of this document is urged to become familiar with the complete family of standards.

The main body of this standard serves for both the ISO/IEC 8802-3 and ANSI/IEEE Std 802.3 standards. ISO/IEC and IEEE each have unique foreword sections. The Annex applies to the IEEE standard only. The Appendixes serve as useful reference material to both standards.

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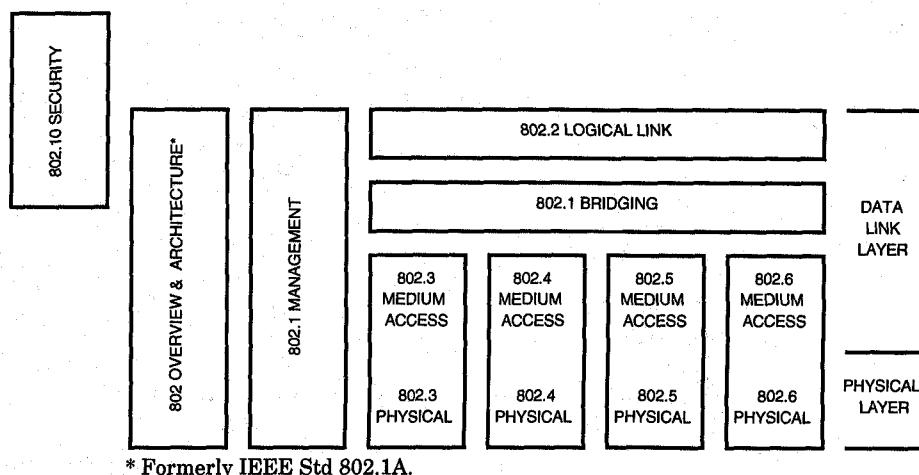
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The standards defining these technologies are as follows:

- IEEE Std 802†:   Overview and Architecture. This standard provides an overview to the family of IEEE 802 standards. This document forms part of the 802.1 scope of work.

- IEEE Std 802.1B: LAN/MAN Management. Defines an Open System Interconnection (OSI) management-compatible architecture, and services and protocol elements for use in a LAN/MAN environment for performing remote management.

- ISO/IEC 10038 : 1993 [ANSI/IEEE Std 802.1D]   MAC Bridging. Specifies an architecture and protocol for the interconnection of IEEE 802 LANs below the MAC service boundary.

- IEEE Std 802.1E: System Load Protocol. Specifies a set of services and protocol for those aspects of management concerned with the loading of systems on IEEE 802 LANs.

- ISO 8802-2 [ANSI/IEEE Std 802.2]:   Logical Link Control

- ISO/IEC 8802-3 [ANSI/IEEE Std 802.3]:   CSMA/CD Access Method and Physical Layer Specifications

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†The 802 Architecture and Overview Specification, originally known as IEEE Std 802.1A, has been renumbered as IEEE Std 802. This has been done to accommodate recognition of the base standard in a family of standards. References to IEEE Std 802.1A should be considered as references to IEEE Std 802.

- ISO/IEC 8802-4 [ANSI/IEEE Std 802.4]: Token Bus Access Method and Physical Layer Specifications

- ISO/IEC 8802-5 [ANSI/IEEE Std 802.5]: Token Ring Access Method and Physical Layer Specifications

- IEEE Std 802.6: Metropolitan Area Network Access Method and Physical Layer Specifications

- IEEE Std 802.10: Interoperable Local Area Network Security, *Currently Contains* Secure Data Exchange (SDE)

In addition to the family of standards the following is a recommended practice for a common technology:

- IEEE Std 802.7: IEEE Recommended Practice for Broadband Local Area Networks

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Another standards series, identified by the number 1802, has been established to identify the conformance test methodology documents for the 802 family of standards. This makes the correspondence between the various 802 standards and their applicable conformance test requirements readily apparent. Thus the conformance test documents for 802.3 are numbered 1802.3, the conformance test documents for 802.5 will be 1802.5, and so on. Similarly, ISO will use 18802 to number conformance test standards for 8802 standards.

ISO/IEC 8802-3 : 1993 (ANSI/IEEE Std 802.3, 1993 Edition)

This edition of the standard defines 10 Mb/s baseband and broadband implementations and a 1 Mb/s baseband implementation of the Physical Layer using the CSMA/CD access method. It is anticipated that future editions of the standard may provide additional implementations of the physical layer to support different needs (for example, media, and data rates).

This standard contains state-of-the-art material. The area covered by this standard is undergoing evolution. Revisions are anticipated to this standard within the next few years to clarify existing material, to correct possible errors, and to incorporate new related material.

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