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ISO 15118 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Road vehicles — Vehicle to grid communication interface*:

— *Part 1: General information and use-case definition*

— *Part 2: Network and application protocol requirements*

— *Part 3: Physical layer and Data Link Layer requirements*

The following parts are under preparation:

— *Part 4: Network and application protocol conformance test*

— *Part 5: Physical layer and data link layer conformance test*

— *Part 6: General information and use-case definition for wireless communication*

— *Part 7: Network and application protocol requirements for wireless communication*

— *Part 8: Physical layer and data link layer requirements for wireless communication*

Introduction

The pending energy crisis and the necessity to reduce greenhouse gas emissions has led the vehicle manufacturers to a very significant effort to reduce the energy consumption of their vehicles. They are presently developing vehicles partly or completely propelled by electric energy. Thus, vehicles will reduce the dependency on oil, improve the global energy efficiency, and reduce the total CO_2 emissions for road transportation if the electricity is produced from renewable sources. To charge the batteries of such vehicles, specific charging infrastructure is required.

Much of the standardization work on dimensional and electrical specifications of the charging infrastructure and the vehicle interface is already treated in the relevant ISO or IEC groups. However, the question of information transfer between the vehicle and the grid has not been treated sufficiently.

Such communication is beneficial for the optimization of energy resources and energy production systems as vehicles can recharge at the most economic or most energy-efficient instants.

It is also required to develop efficient and convenient payment systems in order to cover the resulting micro-payments. The necessary communication channel might serve in the future to contribute to the stabilization of the electrical grid, as well as to support additional information services required to operate electric vehicles efficiently.

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Part 3:
Physical and data link layer requirements

1 Scope

This part of ISO 15118 specifies the requirements of the physical and data link layer for a high-level communication, directly between battery electric vehicles (BEV) or plug-in hybrid electric vehicles (PHEV), termed as EV (electric vehicle) [ISO-1], based on a wired communication technology and the fixed electrical charging installation [Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE)] used in addition to the basic signalling, as defined in *[IEC-1]*.

It covers the overall information exchange between all actors involved in the electrical energy exchange. ISO 15118 (all parts) is applicable for manually connected conductive charging.

Only "*[IEC-1]* modes 3 and 4" EVSEs, with a high-level communication module, are covered by this part of ISO 15118.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 15118-1:2013, *Road vehicles — Vehicle to grid communication interface — Part 1: General information and use-case definition*

ISO 15118-2:2014, *Road vehicles — Vehicle to grid communication interface — Part 2: Network and application protocol requirements*

IEC 61851-1:2010, *Electric vehicle conductive charging system — Part 1: General requirements*

IEC/TS 62763:2013, *Pilot function through a control pilot circuit using PWM (pulse width modulation) and a control pilot wire*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definition in *[ISO-1]* and the following apply.

3.1
amplitude map
specifies a transmit power-reduction factor for each subcarrier related to the tone mask

3.2
central coordinator
manager of a HomePlug Green PHY network

3.3
channel access priority
CAP
method to prioritize the channel access

Note 1 to entry: See *[HPGP]*.

3.4
coexistence
ability of different low-layer communication systems to share the same physical media and to function simultaneously

3.5
communication media
physical media carrying the low-layer communication signal is given by the cable assembly, which connects the charging infrastructure and the EV

3.6
communication node
device equipped with a low-layer communication modem chip; it characterizes one logical and physical communication device that is attached to a physical media and is capable of sending, receiving, or forwarding information over a communication channel

3.7
connection coordination
entity which provides the whole functionality for EV to EVSE matching and initialization, through the data link control SAP, described in Clause 6

Note 1 to entry: This entity also controls the relationships between the basic signalling and the upper layers.

3.8
crosstalk
capacitive or inductive coupling between two individual electric circuits, each providing a media for a low-layer communication network, in a way that the two networks are influenced by each other

3.9
data link control SAP
service access point which defines the interface between the connection coordination module and the low-layer communication technology for managing the link status

3.10
DATA SAP
service access point that defines the interface between layer 2 and layer 3 for exchange of v2g-related payload

3.11
ETH SAP
Ethernet II-class SAP supports applications using Ethernet II class packets, including IEEE 802.3 with or without IEEE 802.2 (LLC), IEEE 802.1H (SNAP) extensions, and/or VLAN tagging

3.12
external identification means
EIM
any external means that enable the user to identify his contract or the car

3.13
initialization
process of interaction between the EV, EVSE, and an external trigger, beginning from plug-in of the cable assembly until the decision for the charging mode to be applied

Note 1 to entry: This process is used for the charging modes 3 and 4, as described in *[IEC-1]*.

3.14
IO SAP
IO control path interfaces hardware i/o control (e.g. control pilot duty cycle) and the control pilot wire

Note 1 to entry: This entity provides an IO SAP, which is defined in Clause 12.

3.15
inter system protocol
enables various broadband power line systems to share power line communication resources in time (time domain multiplex), in frequency (frequency domain multiplex), or both

Note 1 to entry: For more information, refer to *[IEEE]*.

3.16
logical network
set of low-layer communication stations which use the same network key

Note 1 to entry: Only members of the same logical network are able to exchange encrypted payload data and are visible for each other on higher layers. Different logical networks might exist on the same physical media at the same time and are typically used for network segmentation.

Note 2 to entry: A logical network is defined for layer 2.

3.17
low-layer communication
functions managed by the OSI layer 1 and layer 2 of the modem

3.18
low-layer communication module
functional assembly behind each socket outlet or each connector, depending on the type of EV connection (*[IEC-1]*), which includes the communication node and the connection coordination functionality

3.19
MAC address
unique identifier assigned to network interfaces for communication on the data link layer

3.20
management message entry
MME
messages exchanged between PLC nodes or a PLC node and higher layers for control purposes

3.21
matching
process to determine the low-layer communication modules of EV and EVSE, where EV is physically connected to, in a direct way

Note 1 to entry: "Matching" refers to "Association" (use-case A) in ISO 15118-1.

3.22
nominal duty cycle
10 % to 96 % control pilot duty cycle, according to *[IEC-1]*, generated by the EVSE

3.23
pilot function controller
system that manages the control pilot line on the EVSE side, according to *[IEC-1]*

3.24
plug and charge
identification mode where the customer just has to plug their vehicle into the EVSE and all aspects of charging are automatically taken care of with no further intervention from the customer

3.25
QPSK modulation
phase modulation technique that transmits two bits in four modulation states

3.26
ROBO mode
communication mode which uses QPSK only for carrier modulation within the orthogonal frequency division multiplexing (OFDM) to achieve higher robustness in transmission

Note 1 to entry: The ROBO mode can be set to three different performance levels: Mini-ROBO, Standard ROBO, and High-speed ROBO.

3.27
shared bandwidth
in cases where different systems use the same physical media to transmit data, the data rate for each system might be limited, depending on the mechanism used to allocate it

3.28
signal coupling
method of coupling the signal on the communication media

3.29
signal level attenuation characterization
SLAC
protocol to measure the signal strength of a signal between HomePlug Green PHY stations

3.30
tone mask
defines the set of tones (or carriers) that can be used in a given regulatory jurisdiction or given application

3.31
valid duty cycle
duty cycle that is 5 % or 10 % to 96 %, according to *[IEC-1]*, generated by the EVSE

4   Symbols and abbreviated terms

ARIB   Association of Radio Industries and Businesses

CAP   Channel Access Priority

CCo   Central Coordinator

D-LINK   Data Link

EIM   External Identification Mean (as defined in ISO 15118-1)

ERDF   Electricité et Réseau de France

FCC   Federal Communications Commission

HLE   Higher Layers Entities

HPGP   HomePlug Green PHY

ID   Identification

IEEE   Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers

ISP   Intersystem Protocol

ITU   International Telecommunication Union

MAC   Media Access Control

MME	Management Message Entry
PE	Protective Earth
PLC	Power Line Communication
PnC	Plug and Charge (as defined in ISO 15118-1)
QPSK	Quadrature Phase Shift Keying
SAP	Service Access Point
SE	Supply Equipment
SLAC	Signal Level Attenuation Characterization

5 Conventions

5.1 Definition of OSI based services

[ISO-3] is based on the OSI service conventions (ISO/IEC 10731:1994) for the individual layers specified in this part of ISO 15118.

5.2 Requirement structure

Each individual requirement included in this part of ISO 15118 has a unique code, e.g. **[V2G3-YXX-ZZZ]** requirement text, where

— "V2G3" represents the *[ISO-3]* set of standards,

— "Y" represents the main body (M)/Annexes (Annexes' letter),

— "XX" represents the number of the current clause,

— "ZZZ" represents the individual requirement number and

— "requirement text" includes the actual text of the requirement.

EXAMPLE   **[V2G3-M01–01]** This shall be an example requirement.

5.3 Normative references convention

Each reference to a normative document has the following unique codes assigned:

[IEC-1]	IEC 61851-1
[IEC-21]	IEC 61851-21
[IEC-22]	IEC 61851-22
[IEC-2]	IEC 62196-2
[IEC-3]	IEC/TS 62763
[ISO-0]	ISO 15118-series
[ISO-1]	ISO 15118-1
[ISO-2]	ISO 15118-2

[ISO-3]   ISO 15118-3

6   System architecture

6.1   Communication layers overview

This part of ISO 15118 is organized along architectural lines, emphasizing the large-scale separation of the system into two parts: the MAC sublayer of the data link layer and the physical layer. These layers are intended to correspond closely to the lowest layers of the ISO/IEC model for open systems. Figure 1 shows the relationship of the *[ISO-3]* to the OSI reference model.
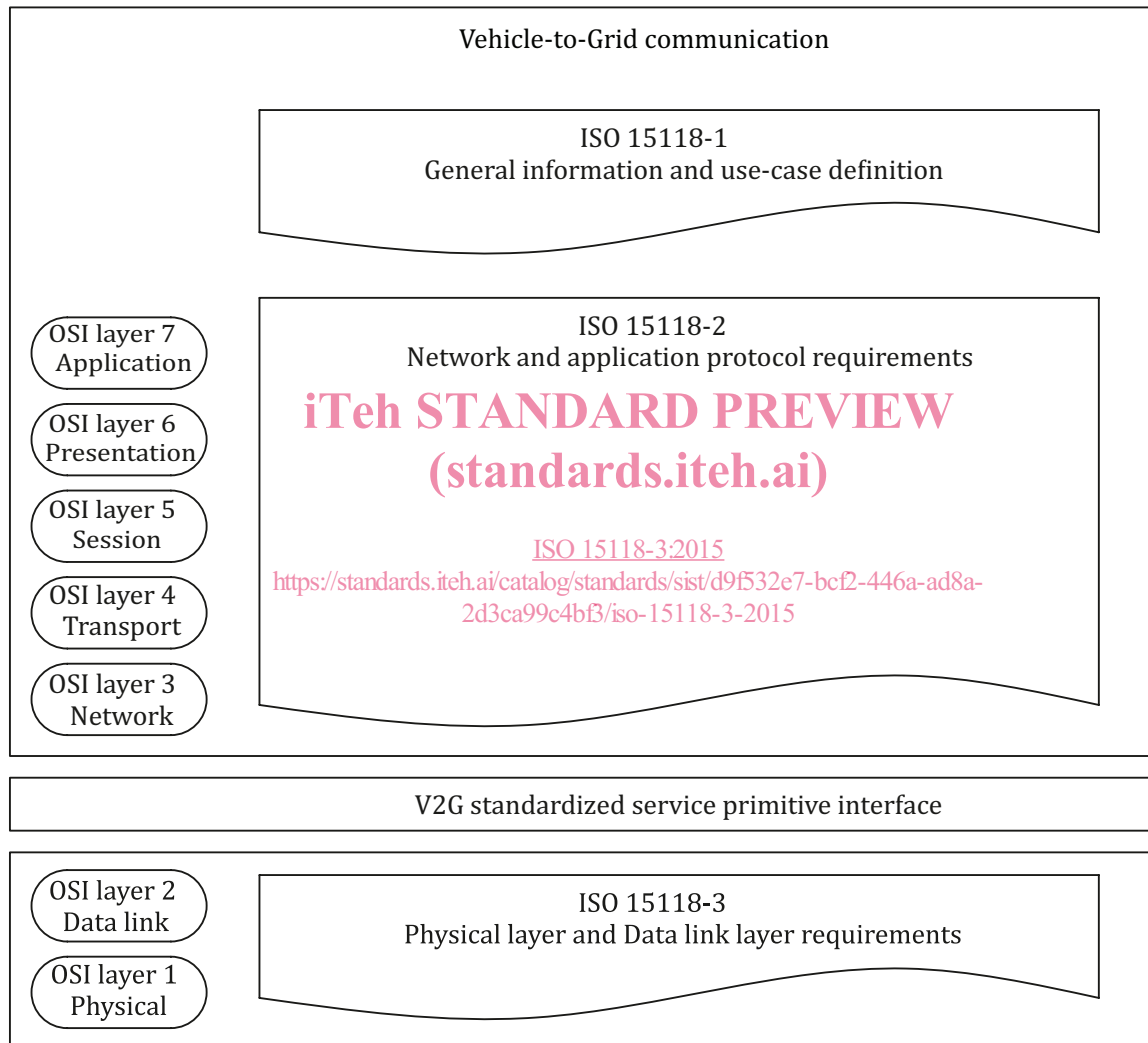

Figure 1 — Overview of *[ISO-0]* in the ISO/IEC OSI reference model

[ISO-3] defines requirements applicable to layer 1 and layer 2, including V2G standardized service primitive interface, according to the OSI layered architecture. Layer 3 to layer 7 is specified in *[ISO-2]*.

Beside the communication related stack on the left and middle of Figure 2, a hardware control path on the right provides triggering and signalling means for *[IEC-1]* related signalling.

This part of ISO 15118 is covering both AC and DC use-cases. If not defined differently, requirements apply for both AC and DC.
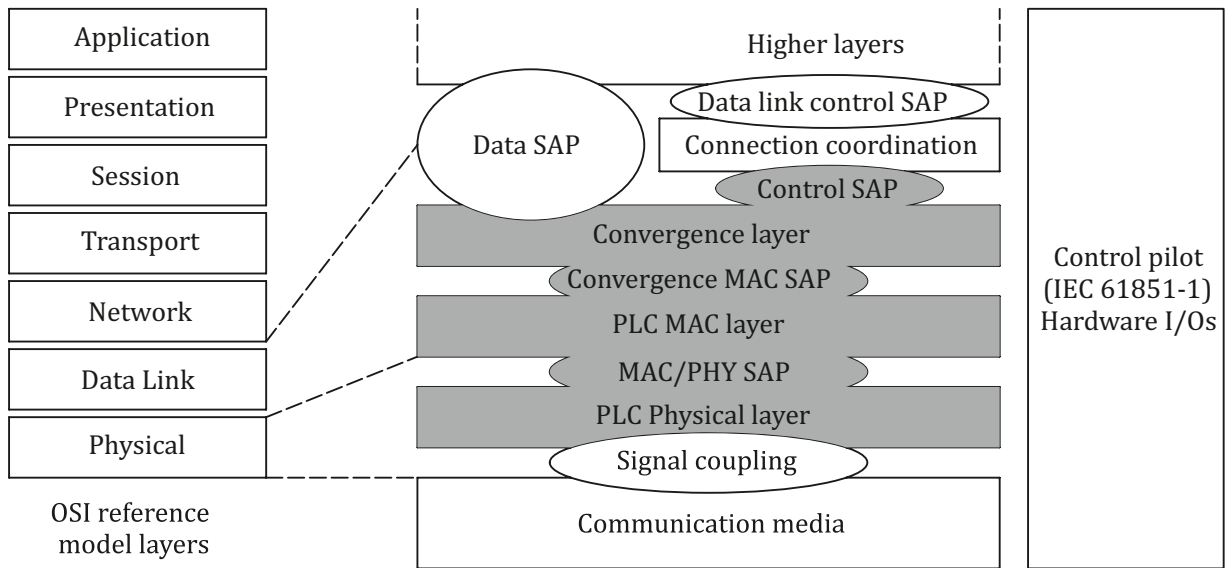
Figure 2 — *[ISO-3]* relationship to the ISO/IEC OSI reference model

6.2 Definition of high-level communication and basic signalling

This part of ISO 15118 describes in the main body, the general requirements to the communication. Specific requirements depending on the technology are described in the Annex A.

6.2.1 Basic signalling

[V2G3-M06-01] The basic signalling follows *[IEC-1]*. All timings shall be compliant with the *[IEC-1]*, Annex A.

Any charging process, no matter the presence of high-level communication, uses the bidirectional signalling according to *[IEC-1]*, indicating EV related information through control pilot states and EVSE related information through the duty cycle of the control pilot signal.

6.2.2 High-level communication

[V2G3-M06-02] The HLC shall be used in addition to the basic signalling in order to enable a bidirectional communication and offer additional features.

The sequence of the data exchange within the HLC-based charging session is done in accordance with the *[ISO-2]* communication protocol.

It can be split into three periods as follows:

— data link setup;

— V2G setup;

— V2G charging loop.

NOTE   The detailed descriptions are given in [ISO-2].

[V2G3-M06-03] During the V2G charging loop, the PWM duty cycle shall not change due to dynamically changed grid information. Those dynamically changed grid limitations shall be provided through the high-level communication messages.

In case basic charging is used as back-up of HLC-C (e.g. when HLC-C has failed), the duty cycle is allowed to change due to dynamically changed grid information, according *[IEC-1]* requirements.

6.3 Identification requirements

The initialization phase depends on whether identification "ID from EV" or EIM is required, as described in *[ISO-1]*, use-cases D1, D2, D3, and D4.

[V2G3-M06-04] When authorization (payment) is required for charging, the EVSE shall offer PnC (ID from EV) or EIM means.

Any payment included in a package (parking fee, in a flat rate, etc.) is considered as "No ID required" since the energy is paid for by means totally independent of the EVSE.

NOTE 1   The need for authentication can be externally triggered.

NOTE 2   The "ID required" covers only the ID for operating purposes and does not cover all the identification linked to the "security" as described in the *[ISO-2]*.

NOTE 3   The feature PnC is called "ID from EV", using the message set of *[ISO-2]*.

NOTE 4   At a publicly accessible EVSE with only "ID from EV", there might be a fallback solution to allow any EV to be able to charge.

If the duty cycle is set to 5 % and PnC is intended to be used, the EVCC may launch an "ID recognition" from the EV (Use-case D1 and D2 of *[ISO-1]*). According to the EV's answer, the SECC may decide to allow the charge or not.

6.4 System requirements

In the following subclauses, the abbreviations concerning the control pilot states (eg X1, X2, B1, B2, etc.), are described in *[IEC-3]*.

6.4.1 Overview

This Clause defines the requirements on the triggering of the EVSE and the EV immediately after the plug-in of the cable assembly. It includes the specifications of sequences, when and how the contract ID is recognized, when to launch the matching process (at the MAC level), and how to decide to use basic charging or high-level communication charging.

6.4.2 EVSE

6.4.2.1 Control pilot requirements

Each EVSE outlet has its own dedicated pilot function controller.

The trigger and timing relations between basic signalling and HLC connection setup are described in Clause 7.

For implementation and synchronization between *[IEC-1]* and *[ISO-3]*, please refer to *[ISO-2]* 8.7.4.

NOTE 1   If a nominal duty cycle is set, it is recommended to keep it as the maximum current capacity of the charging station and let the high-level communication messages dynamically adjust the available max current.

[V2G3-M06-05]   In case no communication could be established with a 5 % control pilot duty cycle (matching process not started), if the EVSE wants to switch to a nominal duty cycle, then the change from 5 % to a nominal duty cycle shall be done with a specific sequence B2 or C2 (5 %) -> E or F -> B2 (nominal value) to allow backward compatibility. The minimum time at the control pilot state E or F is defined to T_step_EF.

NOTE 2   Each EVSE supplier is free to choose between the state E and the state F to make the transition, according to its implementation.

[V2G3-M06-06]   In case a communication has already been established within 5 % control pilot duty cycle ("Matched state" reached or matching process ongoing), a change from 5 % to a nominal duty cycle shall be done with a X1 state in the middle (minimum time as defined in [IEC-3] Seq 9.2), to signal the EV that the control pilot duty cycle will change to a nominal duty cycle.

[V2G3 M06-07]   If an AC EVSE applies a 5 % control pilot duty cycle, and the EVSE receives no SLAC request within TT_EVSE_SLAC_init, the EVSE shall go to state E or F for T_step_EF, shall go back to 5 % duty cycle, and shall reset the TT_EVSE_SLAC_init timeout before being ready to answer a matching request again. This sequence shall be retried C_sequ_retry times. At the end, without any reaction, the EVSE shall go to state X1.

NOTE 3   In the X1 control pilot state, a customer can make an EIM action at any time.

[V2G3-M06-08]   After positive EIM, if no matching process is running, the EVSE shall signal control pilot state E/F for T_step_EF, then signal control pilot state X1/X2 (nominal).

[V2G3 -M06-09]   If a control pilot state E/F -> Bx, Cx, Dx transition is used for triggering retries or legacy issues, the state E/F shall be at least T_step_EF.

6.4.2.2   Low-layer communication requirements

The *[ISO-1]*, Annex A provides examples for charging infrastructure architectures.

The matching process is designed for working between the low-layer communication module locally assigned to each socket-outlet, on the EVSE side, and the EVCC.

NOTE 1   The complete matching process description is given in Clause 9.

[V2G3-M06-10]   In case of charging station enclosures with multiple socket-outlets or attached cables and only one low-layer communication module managing the complete station, these shall behave as an individual low-layer communication module for each outlet.

NOTE 2   It's highly recommended to build a point to point architecture (one low-layer communication module on EVSE side, and one low-layer communication module per EV).

[V2G3-M06-11]   The matching process shall be launched by a transition from state A, E, or F to state Bx, Cx, or Dx.

6.4.3   EV

6.4.3.1   Control pilot requirements

On seeing a nominal duty cycle, the EV may launch the charge at any time.

[V2G3-M06-12]   In the HLC-C mode, in case of a nominal duty cycle, the vehicle shall determine the maximum charge current, defined by the EVSE, by calculating the minimum of the following values: