



Internet Protocol Based Standards for Spacecraft Onboard Interfaces

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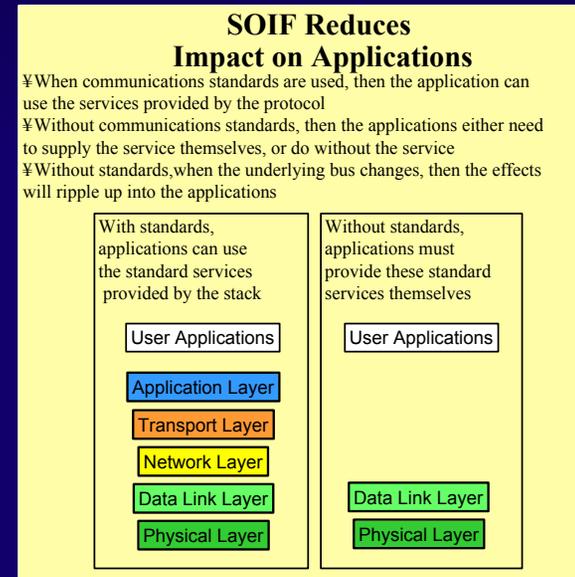
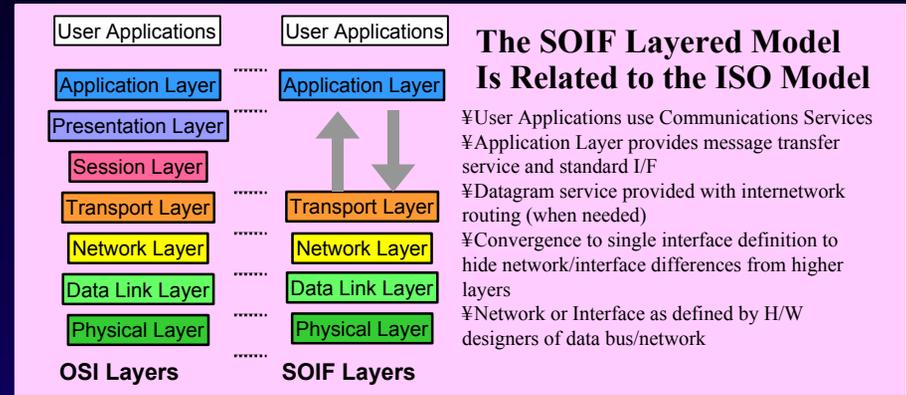
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Introduction to SOIF

- ◆ Standardized spacecraft interfaces should lead to:
 - ❖ Plug and play components, devices, and sensors
 - ❖ Reduced development costs and risks
 - ❖ Shorter development times
 - ❖ Shorter spacecraft integration time
 - ❖ Shared design and test documentation
 - ❖ Increased reuse of flight equipment, including instruments
 - ❖ Increased reuse of test equipment
 - ❖ Increased quality of flight and test equipment
 - ❖ Development of standard components
 - ❖ Second-sourcing of flight and test equipment
 - ❖ Potential for secondary or “quick ride” payload opportunities
 - ❖ Easier adoption of new and evolving technologies
 - ◆ Hardware and Software upgrades
 - ◆ Autonomy
 - ◆ Vehicle Health Management
- ◆ SOIF could impact all areas of spacecraft avionics development, including the hardware, software, and the test environment





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Overall Objective

This Spacecraft Onboard Interface (SOIF) task will develop standards for onboard hardware and software interfaces, that will enable greater hardware and software reuse, reduce schedule, cost, and risk, and should reduce spacecraft wiring (harness) mass

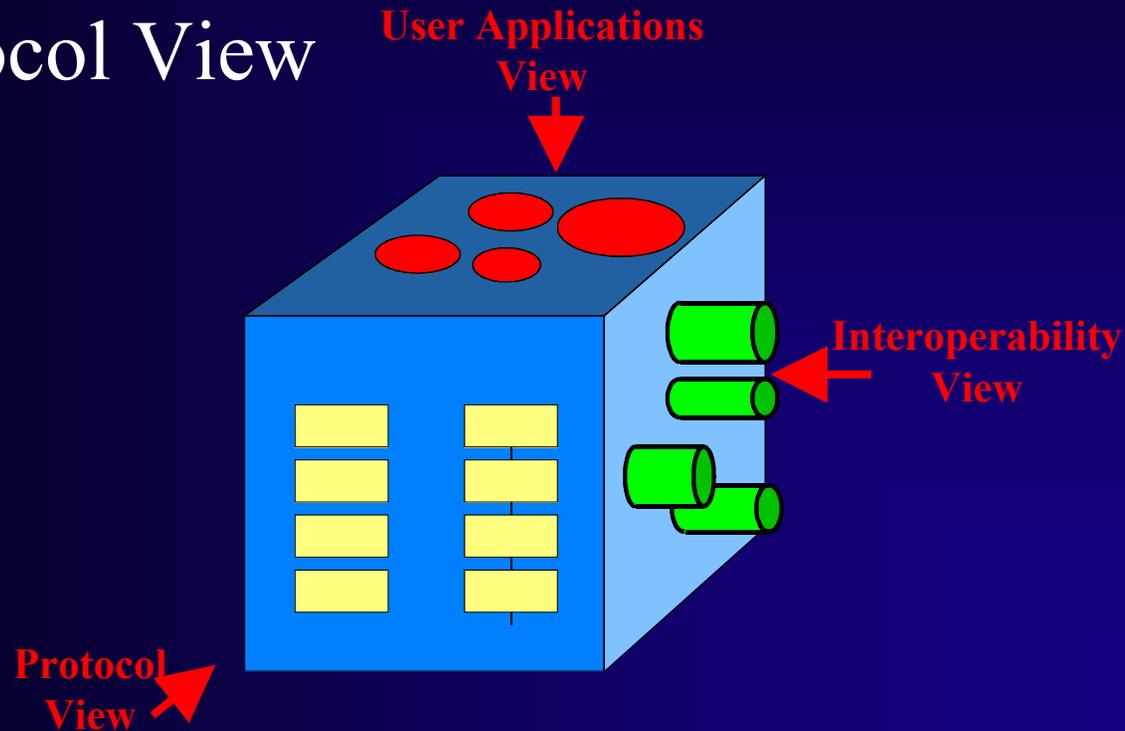
<u>Goals</u>	<u>Significance</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To develop communications services in the Space Applications and Messaging Layers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gives the Space Applications (Users) standard interfaces for all (inter and intra processor) communications
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A selection of services and protocols that make sense for spacecraft	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must not use excessive resources, or have an implementation cost higher than anticipated savings
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Can change the underlying data bus to meet the needs of the application	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Allows subsystems, devices, and science instruments ability to move between different spacecraft

The combined effect of meeting these goals will be to separate the hardware from the implementation of the Space Applications



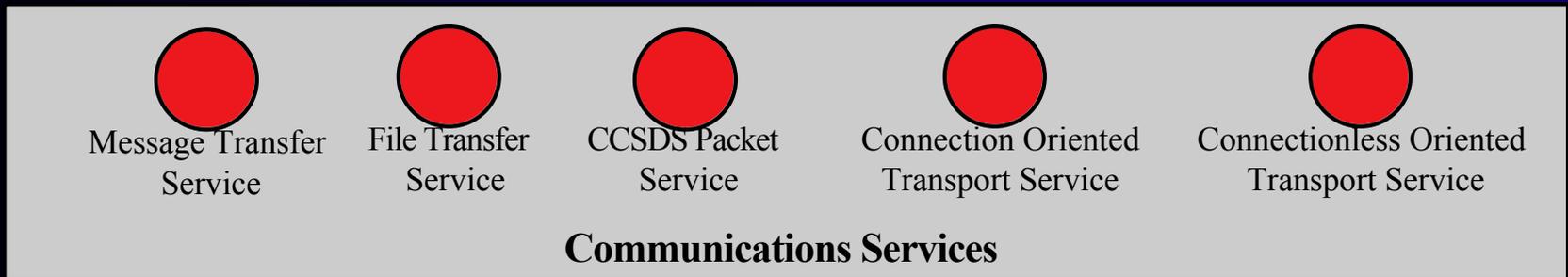
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- ◆ User Application View
- ◆ Interoperability View
- ◆ Protocol View



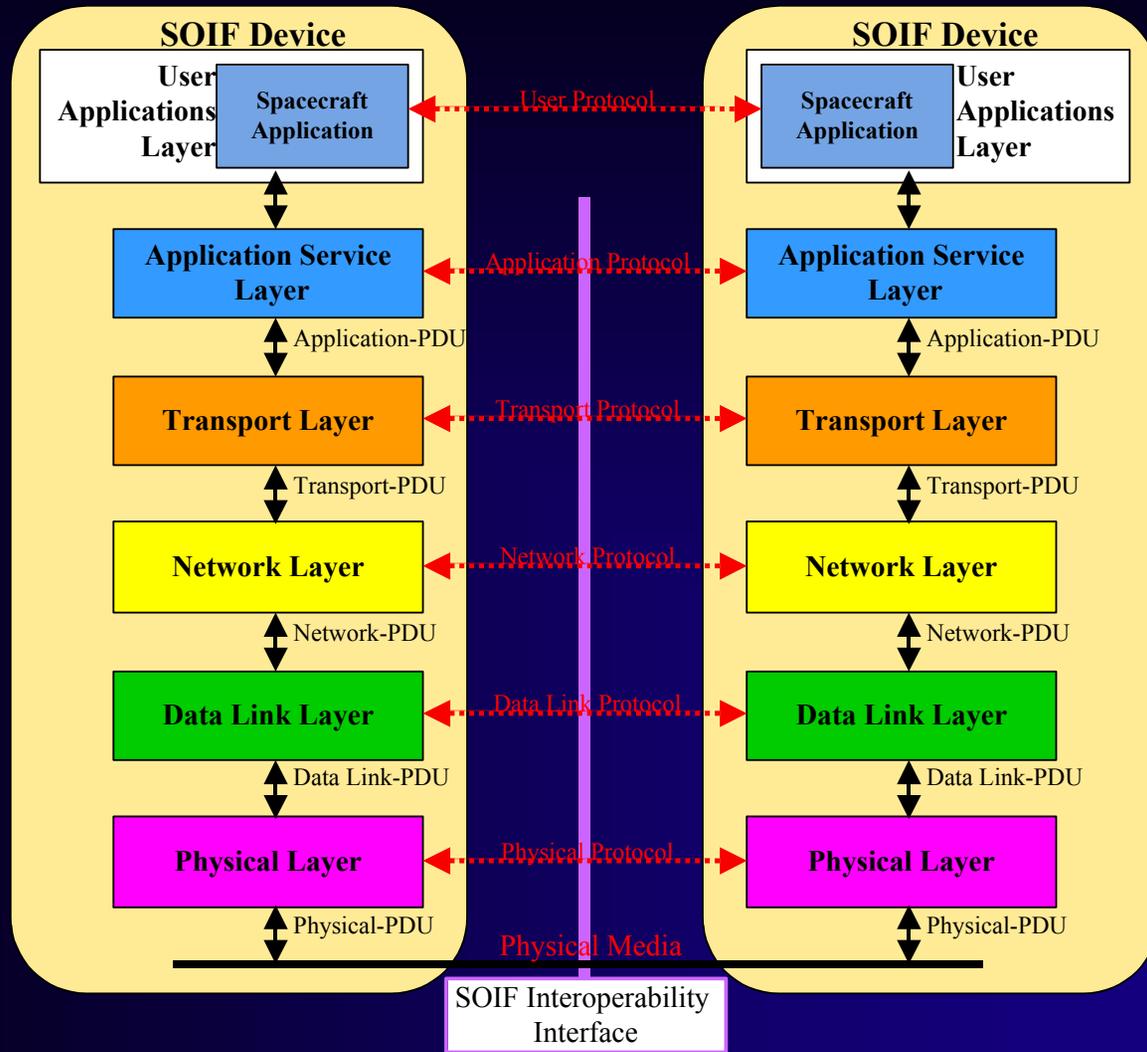


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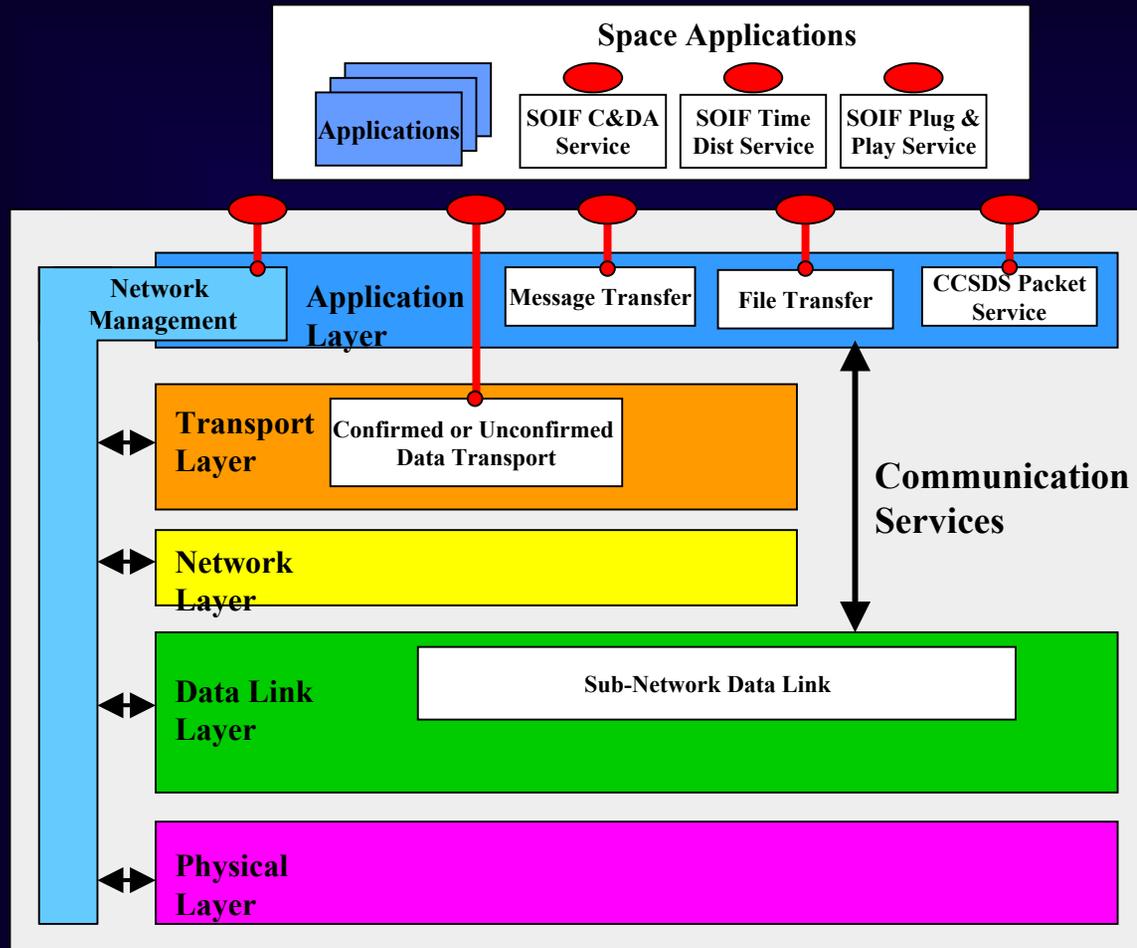


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- ◆ SOIF is a collaborative effort between the member agencies of CCSDS
- ◆ We all expect that SOIF will be the dominate for of onboard interface once it has been accepted by the community
- ◆ SOIF will bring important advantages in cost, schedule, and risk to the using projects

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