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## 1. Scope

### 1.1.Identification and System Overview

The Automated Commuter Train System is a fully automated commuter train system which operates throughout the metropolitan area (Reference to the MEMORANDUM in appendix A). Each train is equipped with its own control system to direct and monitor on-train systems such as doors, temperature, brakes, engine, etc. Also, each train runs according to a precise itinerary data coming from the central computer. Overall, the design focuses only on the automation process of the on-train system. The requirements of the On-Train Control System include:

- Control system to direct and monitor on-train components and devices.
- Allow the control system to be override by the operator in case of an emergency.
- The system should be able to communicate with the central computer to get data on operation modes, obstacles, repair requests, and itineraries.
- The system should maintain to apply the four break modes according to specific situations.
- The system should response to different stop requests weather according to the itineraries or passengers on board or at stations.
- The system must keep records about each run including failures or repair requests.

### 1.2. Document Overview

The document provides analysis to the different requirements of the Automated Commuter Train System, specifically the requirements of the automation process of the on-train system.

The document consists of the following types of requirements analysis:

- Context Diagram of the system
- Data-Flow Diagrams (DFD)
- State-transition diagrams (STD)
- Processes Specifications (C-Specs)
- Controls Specifications (C-Specs)

# 2. Requirements

## 2.1. Required States and Modes

Figure 1 is the STD 0 Control Specifications for the Automated Commuter Train that illustrate the states and mode of the system.

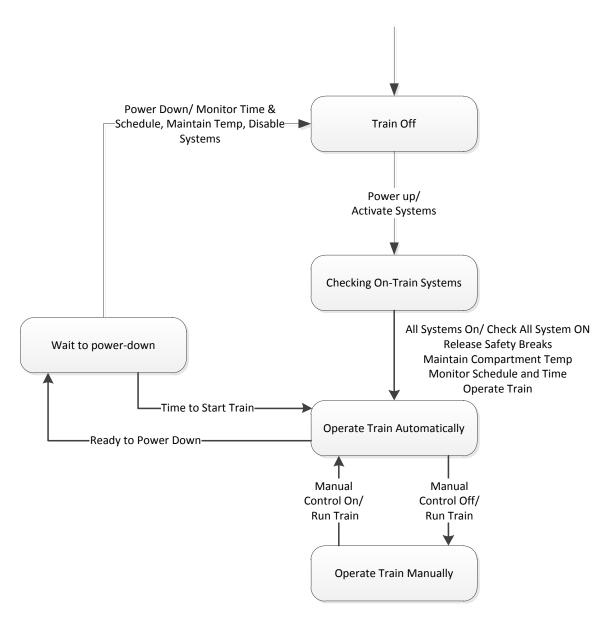


Figure 1: STD 0 - Control Specifications for the Automated Commuter Train

# 2.2.CSCI Capability Requirements – DFD 0

Figure 2 is the DFD 0 Data Flow Diagram for the Automated Commuter Train is illustrated by four functions that are briefly shown in detailed levels in the following sections of this document. But, the STD 0 that illustrate the states and mode of the system is identified above in Figure 1.

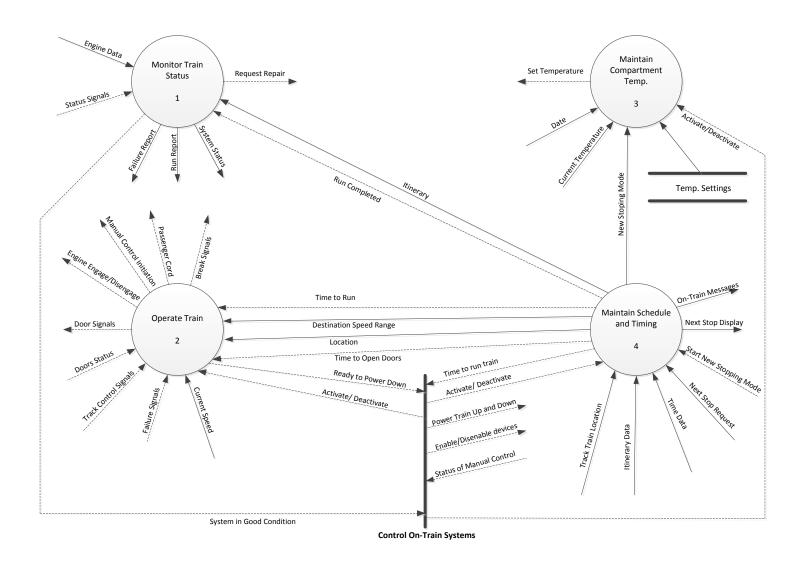


Figure 2: DFD 0 – Data Flow Diagram for the Automated Commuter Train

# 2.3.CSCI Capability Requirements – DFD 1

Figure 3 is the DFD 1 Diagram for Monitor Train Status is illustrated by two primitive functions that are briefly described in the (P-Specs) section.

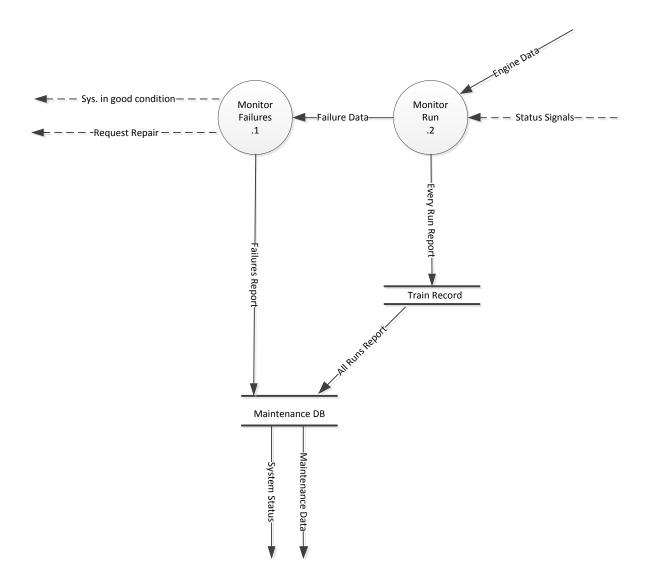


Figure 3: DFD 1 - Data Flow Diagram for the Monitor Train Status

# 2.4.CSCI Capability Requirements – DFD 2

Figure 4 is the DFD 2 Diagram for Operate Train is illustrated by two primitive functions that are briefly described in the (P-Specs) section, and two control nodes that also briefly described in (C-Specs) section.

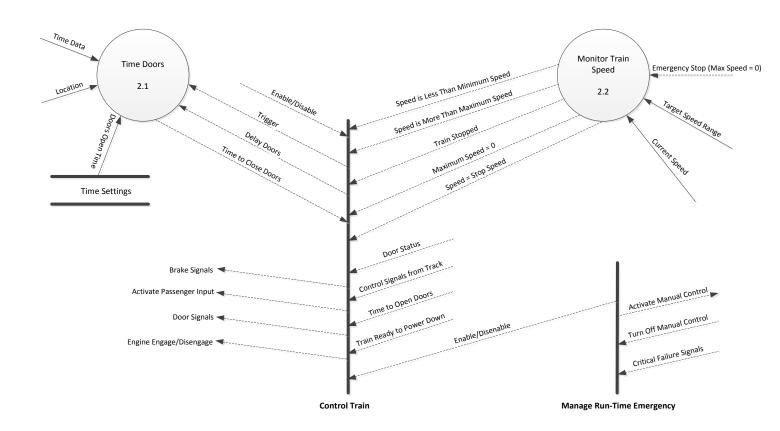


Figure 4: DFD 2 - Data Flow Diagram for the Operate Train

# 2.5.CSCI Capability Requirements – DFD 3

Figure 5 is the DFD 3 Diagram for Maintain Compartment Temperature in is illustrated by three primitive functions that are briefly described in the (P-Specs) section, and one control node that is also briefly described in the (C-Specs) section.

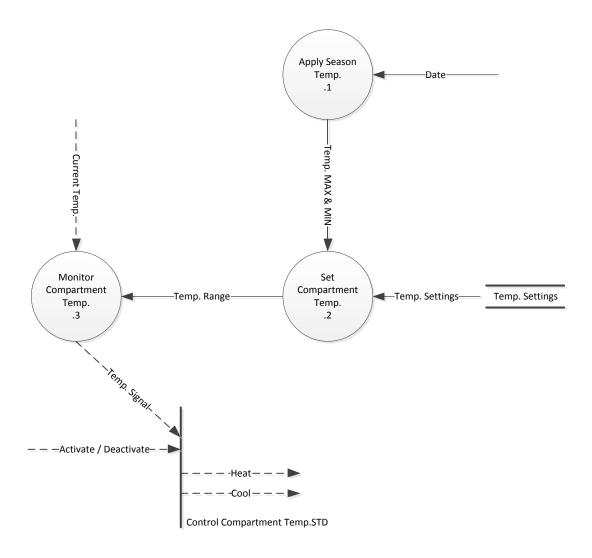


Figure 5: DFD 3 - Data Flow Diagram for Maintain Compartment Temperature

# 2.6.CSCI Capability Requirements - DFD 4

Figure 6 is the DFD 4 Diagram for Maintain Compartment Temperature in is illustrated by two primitive functions that are briefly described in the (P-Specs) section, and one control node that is also briefly described in the (C-Specs) section.

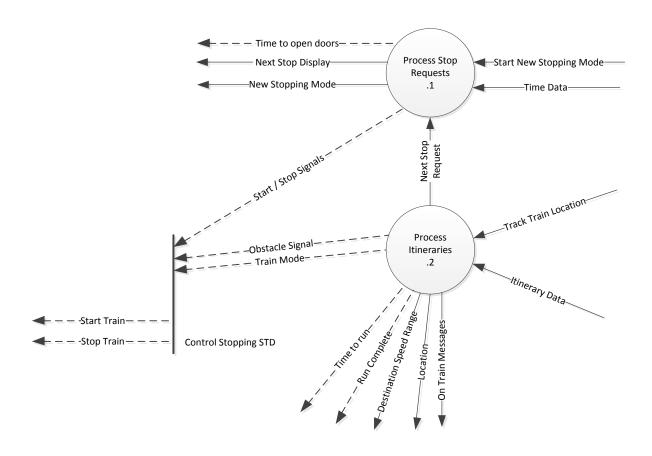


Figure 6: DFD 4 - Data Flow Diagram for Maintain Schedule and Timing

# 3. CSCI External Interface Requirements

# 3.1.Interface Identification and Context Diagram

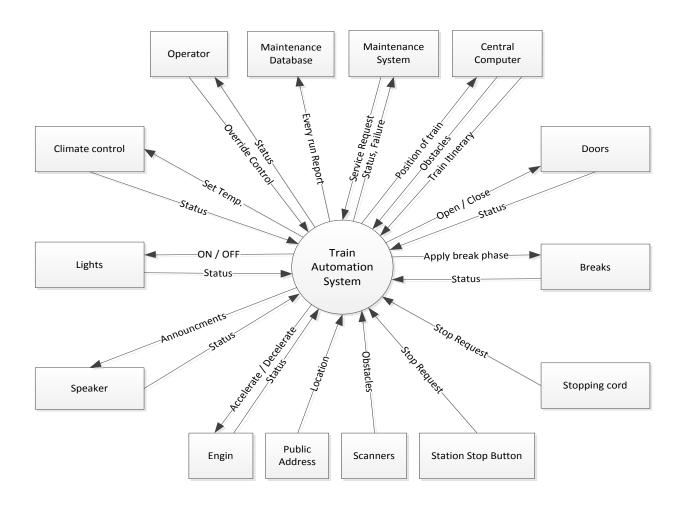


Figure 7: Context Diagram Automated Commuter Train System

#### **3.2.** External Interface Data Definitions

#### Control Climate

Set Temp.: Control output of the system to set the temperature

Status: Data input to the system contains the current temperature reading

#### o Lights

ON / OFF: Control output of the system to set the light status on or off

Status: Data input to the system contains the current status of lights

#### Speakers

Announcements: Control output of the system to select the appropriate announcement to the passengers

Status: Data input to the system contains the current status of the speakers if they are working or not.

#### o Engine

Accelerate / Decelerate: Control output of the system to set the speed

Status: Data input to the system contains the current speed

#### Public Address

Status: Data input to the system contains the current location

#### Scanners

Obstacles: Data input to the system contains if the scanners sense any obstacles in the train's path

#### Station Stop Button

Stop Request: Control output of the system to stop the train by passengers at the station

## Stopping Cord

Stop Request: Control output of the system to stop the train by passengers inside the train

#### Breaks

Apply Break Phase: Control output of the system to set the appropriate break phase

Status: Data input to the system contains the status of breaks if they work or not

#### o Doors

Open / Close: Control output of the system to open or close doors based on itinerary or obstacles

Status: Data input to the system contains the status of doors if they are opend or closed or obstructed

#### Control Climate

Set Temp.: Control output of the system to set the temperature

Status: Data input to the system contains the current temperature reading

## 4. CSCI Interface Requirements

# **4.1. Process Specifications (P-Specs)**

# 4.1.1. P-specs for Primitive of Monitor Train Status

NAME: 1.1

TITLE: Monitor Failures

INPUT/OUTPUT:

system\_status: data\_in

failures\_report: data\_out

request\_repair: control\_out

System\_in\_good\_condition: control\_out

BODY: This function monitor the system for failures, and in case of failure, it generate a request repair and failure report

NAME: 1.2

TITLE: Monitor Run

INPUT/OUTPUT:

Engine\_data: data\_in

Status\_signals: control\_in

Every\_run\_report: data\_out

BODY: This function monitor each run the train operate, it receives engine data and

controls for each run then execute only if the system of the train is in good condition,

lastly at end of each run it keep report in the train record which will be transmitted to the

maintenance database.

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# 4.1.2. P-Specs for Primitive Functions of Operate Train

NAME: 2.1

TITLE: Time Train

INPUT/OUTPUT:

Time\_Data: data\_in

Location: data\_in

Trigger: control\_out

Delay\_Doors: control\_out

Doors\_Open\_Time: data\_in

Time\_to\_Close\_Doors: control\_out

BODY: This function monitor doors opening and closing. Location and Time\_Data will indicate which side to open at each stop. When doors open at a stop, a timer will be activated. The timer will tell it is appropriate to close the doors. Delay\_Doors closing if

NAME: 2.2

obstructed.

TITLE: Monitor Train Speed

INPUT/OUTPUT:

Emergency\_Stop : data\_in

Target\_Speed\_Range : data\_in

Current\_Speed: data\_in

Speed\_is\_Less\_Than\_Minimum\_Speed: control\_out

Speed\_is\_More\_Than\_Maximum\_Speed: control\_out

Train\_Stopped: control\_out

Maximum\_Speed=0: control\_out

Speed=Stop\_Speed: control\_out

BODY: This function monitors and regulates train speed. Based on the current speed and target speed range, it provides the following threshold control signals:

Speed\_is\_Less\_Than\_Minimum\_Speed, Speed\_is\_More\_Than\_Maximum\_Speed,

Train\_Stopped, Maximum\_Speed=0, and/or Speed=Stop\_Speed to the controller.

## 4.1.3. P-specs for Primitive of Maintain Compartment Temperature

NAME: 3.1

TITLE: Apply Season Temp.

INPUT/OUTPUT:

date: data\_in

temp\_max\_min: data\_out

BODY: This function checks the temperature according to the current season and applies

it by sending out the max & min temperature.

NAME: 3.2

TITLE: Set Compartment Temp

INPUT/OUTPUT:

temp\_max\_min: data\_in

temp\_settings: data\_in

temp\_range: data\_out

BODY: This function takes the temperature MAX & MIN and the setting of how to set

the temperature then send out the range to monitor it.

NAME: 3.3

**TITLE: Monitor Compartment Temp** 

INPUT/OUTPUT:

temp\_range: data\_in

Current\_temp: control\_in

temp\_signal: contorl\_out

BODY: This function takes the temperature range and the current temperature to specify the appropriate temperature & send control signal to the controller.

## 4.1.4. P-specs for Primitive Functions of Maintain Compartment

## **Temperature**

NAME: 4.1

TITLE: Process Stop Requests

INPUT/OUTPUT:

Start\_New\_Stopping\_Mode: data\_in

Time\_Data: data\_in

Next\_Stop\_Request: data\_in

Time\_to\_open\_doors: control\_out

Next\_Stop\_Display: data\_out

New\_Stopping\_Mode: data\_out

Start\_/\_Stop\_Signals: control\_out

BODY: This function process stop requests based on the itinerary and the mode.

NAME: 4.2

TITLE: Process Itineraries

INPUT/OUTPUT:

Track\_Train\_Location: data\_in

Itinerary\_Data: data\_in

On\_Train\_Messages: data\_out

Location: data\_out

Destination\_Speed\_Range: data\_out

Next\_Stop\_Request: data\_out

Run\_Complete: control\_out

Time\_to\_run: control\_out

Train\_Mode: control\_out

Obstacle\_Signal: control\_out

BODY: This function process the itinerary and by applying it based on the deferent modes of operations and based on the obstacles provided by the central computer, also it receive data from scanners of the train to track the current location where it also take care of announcing each stop to the passengers.

# **4.2.**Control Specifications (C-Specs)

# 4.2.1. C-Specs for Operate Train

Figure 8 is the state-transition diagram for the Operate Train STD control in DFD2.

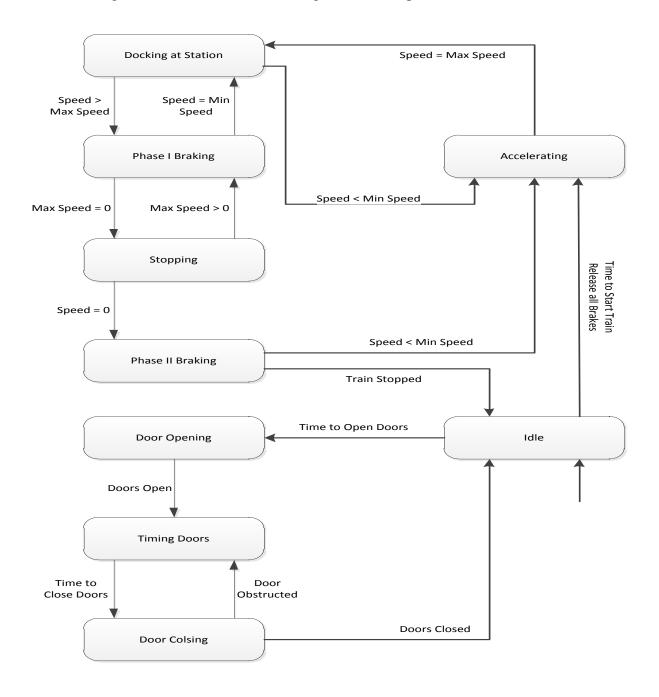


Figure 8: STD 2 - Control Specifications for the Operate Train

# 4.2.2. C-Specs for Maintain Compartment Temperature

Figure 9 is the state-transition diagram for the Control Compartment Temperature STD control in DFD3. This figure shows how controlling the heater and the cooler procedure work according to the different season temperature settings based on the current date.

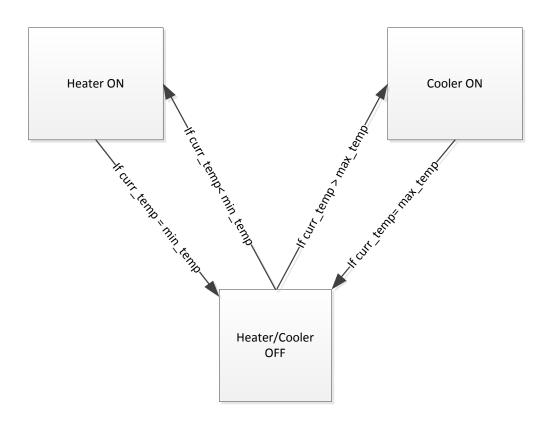


Figure 9: STD 3 - Control Specifications for Maintain Compartment Temperature

## 4.2.3. C-Specs for Maintain Schedule and Timing

Figure 10 is the state-transition diagram for the Control Stopping STD control in DFD4. This figure shows how stopping procedure work according to the different modes that the train runs at, which are: Local, Express, and Request only mode with regard to the obstacles data that comes from the central computer.

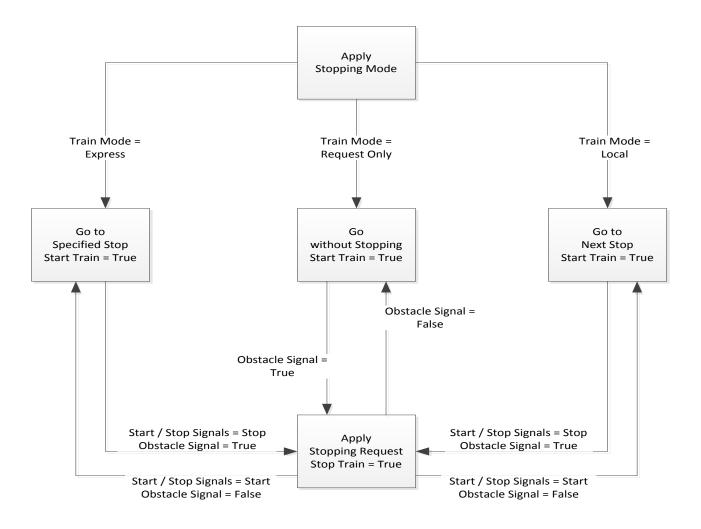


Figure 10: STD 4 - Control Specifications for Maintain Schedule and Timing

# 5. CSCS Internal Data Requirement

#### o Temp. Settings Database:

Purpose: Stores range of temperature settings based on seasons

Location: DFD 0 - Data Flow Diagram for the Automated Commuter Train

Inputs/outputs: Temp.\_Set

#### Train Record Database:

Purpose: Stores each run information to be transferred later to the maintenance

database

Location: DFD 1 - Monitor Train Status

Inputs/outputs: every\_run\_report

#### o Maintenance Database:

Purpose: Stores all reports of each run of trains

Location: DFD 1 - Monitor Train Status

Inputs/outputs: all\_run\_reports

#### o Time Settings

Purpose: Stores doors opening time and delay times

Location: DFD 2 - Operate Train

Inputs/outputs: Doors\_Open\_Time

## 6. Data Dictionary Entries

- 1. accelerate\_decelerate\_signal(control,primitive)
  - a. //signal sent to engine to accelerate or decelerate
- 2. announcments(data,compound)
  - a. = train\_Next\_Stop + itinerary\_data
- 3. apply\_break\_phase\_signal(control, primitive)
  - a. ["PHASE1"||"PHASE2"||"SAFETY"||"EMERGENCY"]
- 4. avery run report(data,primitive)
  - a. //carry each run information
- 5. status\_failure(data,primitive)
  - a. //carry data about train devices status or failure messages
- 6. location(data, primitive)
  - a. //carry data about train current location
- 7. Obstacles\_in\_path(data,primitive)
  - a. //carry data about obstacles in the path of the train coming from Central Computer
- 8. Obstacles\_from\_scanners(data,primitive)
  - a. //carry data about obstacles in the path of the train coming from scanners
- 9. on\_off\_lights\_signal(control,primitive)
  - a. ["ON"||"OFF"]
- 10. open\_close\_doors\_signal(control,primitive)
  - a. ["OPEN"||"CLOSE"]
- 11. override\_control\_signal(control,primitive)
  - a. ["TRUE"||"FALSE"]
- 12. position\_of\_train(data,primitive)
  - a. //carry data about train current location
- 13. service\_request\_signal(control,primitive)
  - a. ["TRUE"||"FALSE"]

- 14. set\_temp.\_signal(control,primitive)
  - a. ["AC"||"HEAT"||"NONE"]
- 15. status\_announcement\_trigger(control,primitive)
  - a. ["ON"||"OFF"]
- 16. status\_climate\_control\_signal(control,primitive)
  - a. ["ON"||"OFF"]
- 17. status\_lights\_signal(control,primitive)
  - a. ["ON"||"OFF"]
- 18. status\_speakers\_signal(control,primitive)
  - a. ["ON"||"OFF"]
- 19. status\_engine\_signal(control,primitive)
  - a. ["ON"||"OFF" ||"Speed"]
- 20. status\_breaks\_signal(control,primitive)
  - a. ["OK"||"FAILED"]
- 21. status\_doors\_signal(control,primitive)
  - a. ["OK"||"FAILED"]
- 22. stop\_request\_from\_station\_button(control,primitive)
  - a. ["TRUE"||"FALSE"]
- 23. stop\_request\_from\_stopping\_cord(control,primitive)
  - a. ["TRUE"||"FALSE"]
- 24. train\_itinerary(data,compound)
  - a. //carry data about current itinerary of the train

#### 7. Conclusion

The system requirements analysis for the on-train control system was developed using the specification of SWRA phase in the DOD standard MIL-STD-498 and the structured analysis for real-time systems. The requirement analysis was then realized using Data Flow and Control Flow Diagrams (DFDs/CFDs), Control specifications (C-specs), and Process specifications (P-specs). That includes developing some State Transition Diagrams (STDs) and Data Dictionary for the Train Control System. Furthermore, Data Dictionary Entries was listed.

#### 8. Team Performance

Our group consisted of two members. For the requirements analysis phase, three meetings were held by the team besides communicating via email and online collaboration using Dropbox tool. The first meeting was held in the class after class time and all members were present. The team prepared the system requirements in-class presentation and split the work up into parts. Each member was responsible for developing a different part of the requirements analysis. Then, a meeting was held on February 26th in the Evansdale library. The group communicated using email to develop the initial presentation. After the presentation, the group made updates to their respective diagrams. Finally, a meeting was held on March 14th in the Engineering Sciences Building. All members were present at this meeting. The group discussed the overall report on the system requirements. Overall, the group worked together quite well, and no problems were encountered.

9. Appendix A

9.1. Memorandum of proposal request

The following three memos compose the RFP for the Automated Commuter Train

System.

**MEMORANDUM** 

TO: All Bidders

FROM: The Office of the Mayor

SUBJECT: Proposed Automated Commuter Train DATE: October 1, 1999

The City hereby requests proposals for the design and construction of an automated

commuter train system to operate throughout the metropolitan area beginning on

October 1, 2005. The proposal must provide support for the following requirements.

1.0 The trains in this system will be powered via a third rail. At no point will pedestrians

or auto- mobiles have access to the tracks.

2.0 The trains will be fully automated. Each train will be equipped with its own control

system to direct and monitor train acceleration, deceleration, stopping patterns, door

opening and closing, lighting, climate control, and announcements to passengers. The

operator's only charge will be to override the control system in the case of an emergency.

.3.0 Each train will run according to a precise itinerary. Trains will stop and start at the

appropriate locations and times. Each train will record this information for every run. It

will send this information in a report to the Maintenance Database at the end of each run.

4.0 Each train will be equipped with a self-monitoring engine and with the following

automated on- train systems: doors, brakes, lights, public address, and climate control. In

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the event of a malfunction, manual controls will be enabled and monitored by the ontrain control system.

- 4.1 Each train will have four separate brake systems: phase I brakes for general speed regulation, phase II brakes for stopping the train, emergency brakes for stopping the train in the event of failure by either phase 1 or II brakes, and safety brakes for extra security when the train stops to load and unload passengers.
- 4.2 Each train will have two separate door systems, left and right. Itineraries will indicate which side to open at each stop. When doors open at a stop, an on-train timer will be activated. The timer will tell the system when it is appropriate to close the doors, given the stop and the time of day. Doors will not close fully until they are unobstructed.

  5.0 The Maintenance Computer System will keep complete and up-to-date records on all trains, communications hardware, and other components of the automated commuter train network. The Maintenance System Database will store service and repair histories for all these components.
- 6.0 In the event of equipment failure or accident, the on-train control system will notify the Maintenance System automatically, and will provide precise data about the problem. Appropriate data will be made available to maintenance crews before they make service calls.
- 7.0 Each train will be equipped with scanners to warn it of any obstacles in its path.

**MEMORANDUM** 

TO: All Bidders

FROM: City Planning Department

SUBJECT: Off-Train Systems for Proposed Automated Commuter Train

DATE: October 5. 1999

This memo documents a change to paragraph 7.0 in the Mayor's October 1 memo.

7.1 Information about obstacles in the train's path will come from a Central Computer

system. The Central Computer will monitor the positions of all vehicles on all track

sections. The Central Computer system will provide information about obstacles in the

train's path such as a service vehicle or another train. This system will also warn the train

about traffic signals and track switches as well as turns and gradient changes in each

section of track.

7.2 A communications network running parallel to the track will link the Central

Computer to each train. Messages will pass from train to network {or network to train}

via trackside devices located on each track section.

7.3 The Central Computer system will coordinate scheduling data for all trains. It will

send an appropriate itinerary to each train in the automated commuter train network. The

Central Computer system will be capable of changing the schedule at any time and will

disseminate these changes throughout the system via the communications network.

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**MEMORANDUM** 

TO: All Bidders

FROM: City Planning Department

SUBJECT: Local, Express. and Request-Only Modes for Proposed Automated

Commuter Train

DATE: October 7.1999

The Automated Commuter Train proposal will account for the following additional

requirements:

8.0 The automated commuter train will operate in three modes: a Local mode in which it

will stop at every stop an Express mode in which it will go directly to a designated stop

and bypass all stops in between, and a Request-Only mode in which the train will stop

only if prompted by a passenger.

9.0 In Request-Only mode, passengers on the train will prompt the train to stop using the

Next Stop cord. Passengers waiting at the next stop will be able to stop an approaching

train using a button located at the stop.

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ENGINE TRAIN MONITORING OPERATION SYSTEM SYSTEM ON-TRAIN SYSTEMS FTTTT STOP -LIGHTS AT STOP -BRAKES TRACK REQUEST -DOORS CIRCUITS TRAIN WITH OPERATOR AND -HEATING/ COOLING PASSENGERS -STOP REQUEST COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK TRAIN STOP TRACK SCHEDULE MONITORING MAINTENANCE MONITORING SYSTEM SYSTEM SCHEDULE MAINTENANCE DATABASE DATABASE SYMBOL KEY B SOFTWARE SYSTEM COMMUNICATION FLOW 0 DATABASE - HARDWARE COMPONENT

Figure 6-15. Automated Commuter Train: Overview

Figure 11: Automated Commuter Train Overview