

F.4 Durability

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Note

The decoupling between `DataReader` and `DataWriter` offered by the [Publish/Subscribe](#) paradigm allows an application to write data even if there are no current readers on the network. Moreover, a `DataReader` that joins the network after some data has been written could potentially be interested in accessing the most current values of the data as well as potentially some history.

The [DURABILITY QoS](#) policy controls whether the Service will actually make data available to late-joining readers. Note that although related, this does not strictly control what data the Service will maintain internally. That is, the Service may choose to maintain some data for its own purposes (e.g., flow control) and yet not make it available to late-joining readers if the [DURABILITY QoS](#) policy is set to `VOLATILE`.

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