# IEC 60870-5-104

IEC 60870-5-104 is a protocol for power system monitoring and controlling. Mostly used to communication between substations and control centers over Ethernet (Fiber optics, 2/3/4G, ...).IEC 60870-5-104 protocol is an extension of IEC 60870-5-101 protocol with the changes in transport, network, link and physical layer services to suit the complete network access.



### Info about protocol

### **Telegram Structure**

#### Teleram format with fixed length

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0		Start byte						
1		Length of APDU						
2	Control field 1							
3	Control field 2							
4	Control field 3							
5		Control field 4						

#### Telegram format with variable length

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0				Start	byte			
1			L	ength o	of APDU	J		
2				Contro	l field 1			
3				Contro	l field 2			
4				Contro	l field 3			
5	Control field 4							
6				AS	DU			

- APCI Application Protocol Control Information (First 6 bytes)
- APDU Application Protocol Data Unit (All variable length telegram)
- ASDU Application Service Data Unit

### Type identification

Standard IEC 60870-5-104 data types[1-255]

- [1-127] standard definition
- [128-135] reserved for routing of messages
- [136-255] for special use

Dec	Туре	Description	Direction	Support
	 	Process information		
1	M_SP_NA_1	Single-point information	Monitor	Yes
2	M_SP_TA_1	Single-point information with time tag	Monitor	Yes
3	M_DP_NA_1	Double-point information	Monitor	Yes
4	M_DP_TA_1	Double-point information with time tag	Monitor	Yes
5	M_ST_NA_1	Step position information	Monitor	Yes
6	M_ST_TA_1	Step position information with time tag	Monitor	Yes
7	M_BO_NA_1	Bit string of 32 bit	Monitor	Yes
8	M_BO_TA_1	Bit string of 32 bit with time tag	Monitor	Yes
9	M_ME_NA_1	Measured value, normalized value	Monitor	Yes
10	M_ME_TA_1	Measured value, normalized value with time tag	Monitor	Yes
11	M_ME_NB_1	Measured value, scaled value	Monitor	Yes
12	M_ME_TB_1	Measured value, scaled value wit time tag	Monitor	Yes
13	M_ME_NC_1	Measured value, short floating point number	Monitor	Yes
14	M_ME_TC_1	Measured value, short floating point number with time tag	Monitor	Yes
15	M_IT_NA_1	Integrated totals	Monitor	Yes
16	M_IT_TA_1	Integrated totals with time tag	Monitor	Yes
17	M_EP_TA_1	Event of protection equipment with time tag	Monitor	Yes
18	M_EP_TB_1	Packed start events of protection equipment with time tag	Monitor	Yes
19	M_EP_TC_1	Packed output circuit information of protection equipment with time tag	Monitor	Yes
20	M_PS_NA_1	Packed single point information with status change detection	Monitor	Yes
21	M_ME_ND_1	Measured value, normalized value without quality descriptor	Monitor	Yes
30	M_SP_TB_1	Single-point information with time tag CP56Time2a	Monitor	Yes

31	M_DP_TB_1	Double-point information with time tag CP56Time2a	Monitor	Yes
32	M_ST_TB_1	Step position information with time tag CP56Time2a	Monitor	Yes
33	M_BO_TB_1	Bit string of 32 bit with time tag CP56Time2a	Monitor	Yes
34	M_ME_TD_1	Measured value, normalized value with time tag CP56Time2a	Monitor	Yes
35	M_ME_TE_1	Measured value, scaled value with time tag CP56Time2a	Monitor	Yes
36	M_ME_TF_1	Measured value, short floating point number with time tag CP56Time2a	Monitor	Yes
37	M_IT_TB_1	Integrated totals with time tag CP56Time2a	Monitor	Yes
38	M_EP_TD_1	Event of protection equipment with time tag CP56Time2a	Monitor	Yes
39	M_EP_TE_1	Packed start events of protection equipment with time tag CP56Time2a	Monitor	Yes
40	M_EP_TF_1	Packed output circuit information of protection equipment with time tag CP56Time2a	Monitor	Yes
45	C_SC_NA_1	Single command	Control	Yes
46	C_DC_NA_1	Double command	Control	Yes
47	C_RC_NA_1	Regulating step command	Control	Yes
48	C_SE_NA_1	Set-point Command, normalized value	Control	Yes
49	C_SE_NB_1	Set-point Command, scaled value	Control	Yes
50	C_SE_NC_1	Set-point Command, short floating point number	Control	Yes
51	C_BO_NA_1	Bit string 32 bit command	Control	Yes
58	C_SC_TA_1	Single command with time tag CP56Time2a	Control	Yes
59	C_DC_TA_1	Double command with time tag CP56Time2a	Control	Yes
60	C_RC_TA_1	Regulating step command with time tag CP56Time2a	Control	Yes
61	C_SE_TA_1	Measured value, normalized value command with time tag CP56Time2a	Control	Yes
62	C_SE_TB_1	Measured value, scaled value command with time tag CP56Time2a	Control	Yes
63	C_SE_TC_1	Measured value, short floating point number command with time tag CP56Time2a	Control	Yes
64	C_BO_TA_1	Bit string of 32 bit command with time tag CP56Time2a	Control	Yes

System information							
70	M_EI_NA_1	End of Initialization	Monitor	Yes			
100	C_IC_NA_1	Interrogation command	Control	Yes			
101	C_CI_NA_1	Counter interrogation command	Control	Yes			
102	C_RD_NA_1	Read command	Control	Yes			
103	C_CS_NA_1	Clock synchronization command	Control	Yes			
104	C_TS_NA_1	Test command	Control	Yes			
105	C_RP_NA_1	Reset process command	Control	Yes			
106	C_CD_NA_1	Delay acquisition command	Control	No			
107	C_TS_TA_1	Test command with time tag CP56Time2a	Control	No			
	Parameter						
110	P_ME_NA_1	Parameter of measured values, normalized value	Control	No			
111	P_ME_NB_1	Parameter of measured values, scaled value	Control	No			
112	P_ME_NC_1	Parameter of measured values, short floating point number	Control	No			
113	P_AC_NA_1	Parameter activation	Control	No			
		File transfer					
120	F_FR_NA_1	File ready	File transfer	No			
121	F_SR_NA_1	Section ready	File transfer	No			
122	F_SC_NA_1	Call directory, select file, call file, call section	File transfer	No			
123	F_LS_NA_1	Last section, last segment	File transfer	No			
124	F_FA_NA_1	ACK file, ACK section	File transfer	No			
125	F_SG_NA_1	Segment	File transfer	No			
126	F_DR_TA_1	Directory	File transfer	No			

### **Cause of transmission**

Standard IEC 60870-5-101 cause of transmission [0-63]

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Dec	Description
1	Periodic, cyclic
2	Background interrogation
3	Spontaneous
4	Initialized
5	Interrogation or interrogated
6	Activation
7	Confirmation activation
8	Deactivation
9	Confirmation deactivation
10	Termination activation
11	Return information caused by a remote command
12	Return information caused by a local command
13	File transfer
20	Interrogated by general interrogation
21	Interrogated by interrogation group 1
22	Interrogated by interrogation group 2
23	Interrogated by interrogation group 3
24	Interrogated by interrogation group 4
25	Interrogated by interrogation group 5
26	Interrogated by interrogation group 6
27	Interrogated by interrogation group 7
28	Interrogated by interrogation group 8

29	Interrogated by interrogation group 9
30	Interrogated by interrogation group 10
31	Interrogated by interrogation group 11
32	Interrogated by interrogation group 12
33	Interrogated by interrogation group 13
34	Interrogated by interrogation group 14
35	Interrogated by interrogation group 15
36	Interrogated by interrogation group 16
37	Interrogated by counter general interrogation
38	Interrogated by interrogation counter group 1
39	Interrogated by interrogation counter group 2
40	Interrogated by interrogation counter group 3
41	Interrogated by interrogation counter group 4
44	Type Identification unknown
45	Cause unknown
46	ASDU address unknown
47	Information object address unknown

# Settings

Structure					
		Master, Slave, Monitor			
Structure COT size in bytes: 2 • ASDU size in bytes: 2 • IOA size in bytes: 3 •	<b>COT size in bytes</b> COT size in bytes				
	ASDU size in bytes	ASDU size in bytes			
	IOA size in bytes	IOA size in bytes			
	Timeo	uts (ms)			
		Master	Slave		
rTimeouts	t0 in seconds	Timeout for the establishment of the connection with the server.	Not used		

t0 in seconds:30t1 in seconds:15t2 in seconds:10t3 in seconds:20	t1 in seconds t2 in seconds t3 in seconds	This parameter defines the time in seconds that Master waits maximum for an acknowledge from the slave. A S-format frame will be sent at the latest after this time starting from the last received telegram from the slave. A Test frame will be sent at the latest after this time starting from the last received telegram from the slave	This parameter defines the time in seconds that slave waits maximum for an acknowledge from the master. A S-format frame will be sent at the latest after this time starting from the last received telegram from the master. A Test frame will be sent at the latest after this time starting from the last received telegram from the master				
Windows							
-Mindows		Master	Slave				
RWT (w) size: 8	w size	This parameter indicates the number of received I frames after the S-Frame will be send.	This parameter indicates the number of received I frames after the S-Frame will be send				
SWIK) size: 12	k size	Maximum I-frames send until acknowledgment.	Not used				
	SLAVE Parameters						
		Slave					
Parameters ── ✓ Send End of ini. on start up ✓ Auto ack. U-Frame	Send End of ini. on start up	Send end of initialization TI 70 (M_EI_NA_1)					
Auto ack. control commands	Auto ack. U-Frame	Auto ack. U-Frame.					
	Auto ack. control commands	Auto acknowledge commands					
	Auto ack. system commands	Auto acknowledge system commands (TI: 100, 103)					
MASTER Parameters							
rParameters		Master					
Send Start DT on start up	Send Start DT on start up	Send Start DT on startup	Send Start DT on startup				
Auto ack. Test Frame	Auto ack. Test Frame	Auto ack. Test frame					

### System

For all system functions user can set custom address:

rapdu		
ASDU:	1	□ Test
Originator:	1	

#### **General Interrogation**

This function will send telegram Type-identification = 100 (C\_IC\_NA\_1)

	General inter	ogation —	
	Send	QOI:	20

**QOI** - qualifier of interrogation [0...255]

- 20 Station interrogation 21 Interrogation of group 1

- 22 Interrogation of group 2
- 23 Interrogation of group 3
  24 Interrogation of group 4
- 25 Interrogation of group 5
- 26 Interrogation of group 6
- 27 Interrogation of group 7
- 28 Interrogation of group 8
- 29 Interrogation of group 9
- 30 Interrogation of group 10
- 31 Interrogation of group 11
  32 Interrogation of group 12
- 32 Interrogation of group 12
  33 Interrogation of group 13
- 33 Interrogation of group 13
  34 Interrogation of group 14
- 35 Interrogation of group 15
- 36 Interrogation of group 16

#### **Counter Interrogation**

This function will send telegram Type-identification =  $101 (C_CI_NA_1)$ 

Counter interrogation							
Ser	nd	FRZ:	0	RQT:	1		

FRZ - freeze[0..3]

- 0 Station interrogation
- 1 Interrogation of group 1
- 2 Interrogation of group 2
- 3 Interrogation of group 3

RQT - request[0..63]

- 1 Counter group 1
- 2 Counter group 2
- 3 Counter group 3
- 4 Counter group 3 5 General request
- 5 General reque

#### Commands

Read command will send telegram Type-identification = 102 (C\_RD\_NA\_1)

**Test** command will send telegram Type-identification = 104 (C\_TS\_NB\_1)

Г	Commands -	
	Read	Test
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#### Clock synchronization

This function will send telegram Type-identification = 103 (C\_CS\_NA\_1)

Clock synchronization				
Send		SM	SB	
PC time	2021-11	-30 04:41:2	2 🔍 🗸	

If "PC time" checkbox is checked, then the PC time will be sent. If it's not checked user can set time manually.

Time tag status bits:

- IV invalid time
- SM Summer/Winter
- SB Substitute

#### **Custom Commands**

This function allows user to send commands to the slave device.

Custom Command	
Type: Single	• IOA: 1
Value: 0	QU/QL: 0
Cause: Activation	▼ With time tag
Select	Execute
OFF ON	OFF ON

## Channel

With these functions a user has the ability to send any U or S frame telegram.

U-frame	
Start DT act	Start DT cnf
Stop DT act	Stop DT cnf
Test frame act	Test frame cnf

- Start DT act Send Start Data terminal activation
- Start DT cnf Send Start Data terminal confirmation
- Stop DT act Send Stop Data terminal activation
- Stop DT cnf Send Stop Data terminal confirmation
- Test Frm act Send Test Frame activation
- Test Frm cnf Send Test Frame confirmation

-S-fra	me	
	S-Frame ack	0

S-Frame ack - Send S-Frame. User can specify acknowledgment telegram count in text box.

### Tags

This function allows user to created named points. After points created user can send it manually or set reply checkbox to automatic reply.

- To export Tags to csv file: Tags -> Export -> Save file dialog appear
- To import Tags from csv file: Tags -> Import -> Open file dialog appear

There are two ways of creating tags:

- 1. Create tag button.
- 2. Double click a signal with the left mouse button in the statistic tab.

Main parameters:

- Name user-friendly tag name
- Asdu Identifier of the device
- Ioa Identifier of values from the device.
- Type the type of value.

Here is an example image of the tag window with the**M\_SP\_TB\_1 (30)** type selected. Each type has different options that can be configured when sending data. For example this type depicted in the picture below can send a value **Off** or **On** and it also is time-tagged. The user in this case can either select a specific time that they have in mind or just mark the PC checkbox and The Vinci software will automatically send the current PC time. As you can see the Value box in this example is greyed out that is because this tag is created on a **master** simulation, and this type doesn't support writing to slave.

● Tag	_		$\times$
Name:			
Type: M_SP_TB_1 (30)			•
Asdu: 1 loa: 1 Value: Off			~
Quality BL SB NT V OV			
Time:			
Save		Cance	sl

## Setup

To setup an IEC 60870-5-104 simulation it is fairly straightforward.

1. Select IEC 60870-5-104 and the mode.

Protocol:	IEC 60870-5-104	•
Mode:	Master (Client)	•

2. Select Ethernet settings to connect to device. Set the IP and the Port. (Default port: 2404)



3. Select settings in the settings tab according to your device and preference.

- Structure	-Parametera
Sudcidie	1 didificiers
COT size in bytes: 2 💌	Send Start DT on start up
ASDU size in bytes: 2 💌	Auto ack. Test Frame
IOA size in bytes: 3 🔹	
Timeouts	
t0 in seconds: 30	
t1 in seconds: 15	
t2 in seconds: 10	
t3 in seconds: 20	
r Windows	
RWT (w) size: 8	
SWT (k) size: 12	

4. Press the green **START** button and the simulation should start. If everything was done correctly The Vinci software should establish communication with the IEC 60870-5-104 device which you can monitor in the console tab.

Protocol:	IEC 60870-5-104	•	START	
Mode:	Master (Client)	•	317.11	

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