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# Section 2      Introduction

## 2.1      This manual

This manual provides thorough information on the Communication Programming Interface (CPI) and needed information related to it. CPI is available for connecting foreign systems to SYS600.

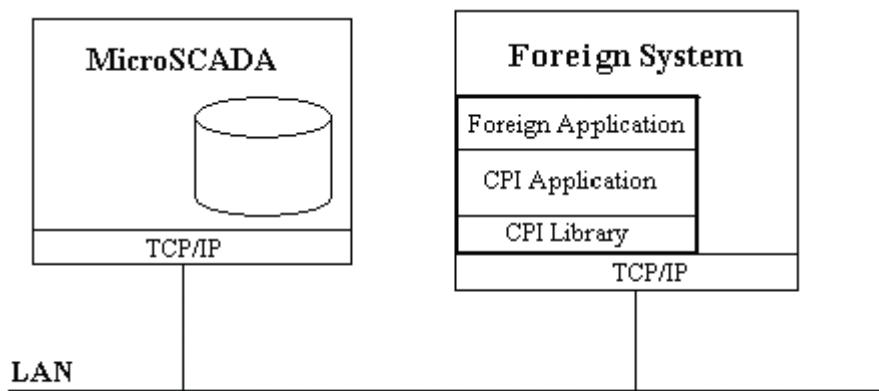
### 2.1.1    CPI interface

Communication Programming Interface CPI is a protocol environment software that is used for externally implemented protocol converters.

CPI is a collection of functions that enables the data transfer between the SYS600 base system and the CPI application program. The CPI library contains functions for sending and receiving messages to or from the SYS600 base system, as well as functions for packing and unpacking data of messages. The CPI application program may be run on different computers as can be seen in [Figure 1](#) or also on the same computer with SYS600.

The CPI application program (gateway program), which uses the CPI interface, emulates the NET containing stations of the RTU, SPA or SPI (RP 570 slave) device type. The SPI device type can also be emulated as a RTU device type. In this case, the SPI station should be configured as a RTU station by the SYS600 base system. CPI supports both the slave and the master communication.

Normally, only those messages sent from the base system to the station devices (RTU, SPA), which have been configured in the CPI application node, are visible for the CPI functions. To be able to emulate a conventional NET unit operation, there is also a need to access messages directed to the CPI application node itself (NET object). To access these messages, filtering must be disabled using the message filtering functions (see [Section 5](#)).



*Figure 1: SYS600 connected to a foreign system that has a CPI application program as a part of it. The data transmission between the CPI application program and the SYS600 base system is implemented through the TCP/IP interface.*

## 2.1.2 TCP/IP interface

The communication between applications using CPI and SYS600 is based on the TCP/IP protocol. Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol is used for data transmission in LAN network to provide communication with several protocols across the connected networks of computers (see [Figure 1](#)). On the TCP/IP interfaces, the ACP messages are sent via stream type BSD sockets.

The CPI interface is designed to support connections to several applications running one or more SYS600 base systems. All applications on one certain SYS600 base system can be reached by using the same TCP/IP socket.

## 2.2 Use of symbols

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## 2.3 Related documents

The following SYS600 manuals should be available for reference during the use of this manual:

Name of the manual	Document ID
SYS600 10.2 System Objects	1MRK 511 482-UEN
SYS600 10.2 Programming Language SCIL	1MRK 511 479-UEN
SYS600 10.2 System Configuration	1MRK 511 481-UEN
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- The words in names of screen elements (for example, the title in the title bar of a dialog, the label for a field of a dialog box) are initially capitalized.
- Capital letters are used for file names.
- Capital letters are used for the name of a keyboard key if it is labeled on the keyboard. For example, press the CTRL key. Although the Enter and Shift keys are not labeled they are written in capital letters, e.g. press ENTER.
- Lowercase letters are used for the name of a keyboard key that is not labeled on the keyboard. For example, the space bar, comma key and so on.
- Press CTRL+C indicates that the user must hold down the CTRL key while pressing the C key (in this case, to copy a selected object).
- Press ALT E C indicates that the user presses and releases each key in sequence (in this case, to copy a selected object).
- The names of push and toggle buttons are boldfaced. For example, click **OK**.
- The names of menus and menu items are boldfaced. For example, the **File** menu.
  - The following convention is used for menu operations: **Menu Name/Menu Item/Cascaded Menu Item**. For example: select **File/Open/New Project**.
  - The **Start** menu name always refers to the **Start** menu on the Windows Task Bar.
- System prompts/messages and user responses/input are shown in the Courier font. For example, if the user enters a value that is out of range, the following message is displayed: Entered value is not valid.  
The user may be told to enter the string MIF349 in a field. The string is shown as follows in the procedure: MIF349
- Variables are shown using lowercase letters: sequence name

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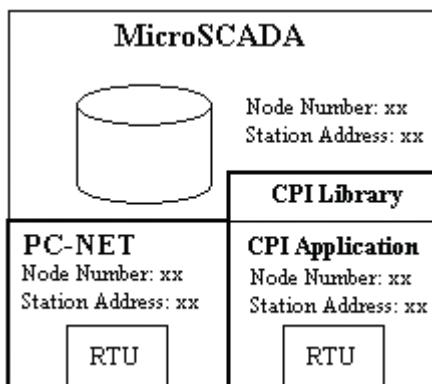
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## Section 3 CPI overview

### 3.1 NET unit emulation with CPI

CPI communication resembles the communication between the base system and the NET unit. The CPI application program acts as a communication front-end. This is called the NET unit emulation. Although CPI is an external and independent application, the base system does not see any difference between the messages coming from the NET unit or from the CPI application because of the similar interfaces in both cases.



*Figure 2: CPI communication emulates the communication between the SYS600 base system and the NET unit*

### 3.2 Operating principle

The CPI application program usually runs in an infinite loop where it checks with a cpiSelect function if there are any incoming messages from SYS600. The following examples show the basic functionality of the CPI interface. The detailed description of every function presented below can be found in [Section 5](#).

```

/* Example of receiving the commands from the base system*/
Gateway()
{
    cpiMsgID recv_id, reply_id=0;
    cpiBitSet in_set,out_set,exp_set;
    int msg_type,reply_pending;
    attr char[2];

    GV_Initialize_Connection()
    /* Infinite loop*/
    for(;;)
    {
        in_set = out_set = exp_set = 0x7;
        cpiSelect( &in_set, &out_set, &exp_set,15);
        if (cpiISSET(1, in_set)) {
            cpiGetMessage(1, &recv_id, &msg_type);
            switch( msg_type ) {
                case cpiWRMSG:

                    /* processing of the write message */
                    cpiGetMsgAttr(recv_id, &attr);
                    if ( GV_Is_Config_Attr( &attr ) ) {
                        cpiGetReplyBuffer(recv_id,&reply_id);

```

```
if (reply_id != 0) {
    GV_Process_Write_To_Attribute (recv_id, reply_id, , , );
    if (cpiISSET(1, out_set)) {
        cpiSendMessage(1, reply_id, 5);
        reply_pending = 0;
    }
    else {
        reply_pending = 1;
    }
}
}
break;
case cpiRDMMSG:
    /* processing for the read message */
case cpiRPMSG:
    /* processing for the reply message */
}
}
if (reply_pending) && cpiISSET(1, out_set)) {
    cpiSendMessage(1, reply_id, 5);
    reply_pending = 0;
}
}
}

/* Example 2, how to send data to the base system */
Gateway()
{
    cpiMsgID ind_id, fail_id;
    cpiBitSet in_set,out_set,exp_set;
    int reply_ready,retries,status;

    GV_Initialize_Connection()
    reply_ready = 1;
    /*Infinite loop*/
    for(;;)
    {
        in_set = out_set = exp_set = 0x1;
        cpiSelect( &in_set, &out_set, &exp_set);

        /* Sending of an indication value */
        if (GV_Indication_To_Send()) && (cpiISSET(1,out_set)) {
            if (reply_ready) {
                GV_Process_Indication_Data(,,&Block,&Bit,&Val);
                cpiSendRtuIndication(ind_id,1,1,Block,Bit,Val,5);
                cpiCLR(1,&out_set);
                retries = reply_ready = 0;
            }
        }

        /* Checking the reply message */
        if (cpiISSET(1, in_set)) {
            cpiGetMessage(1, &recv_id, &msg_type);
            switch( msg_type ) {
                case cpiRPMSG:
                    cpiGetReplyStatus(recv_id, &repl_id, &status);
                    if ((status != OK_STATUS) || (repl_id != ind_id)) {
                        display_error_msg("Error reply for indication ", Block, Bit,
Val);
                    }
                    reply_ready = 1;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```

/* Testing the possible exceptions*/
if (cpiISSET(1, exp_set)) {
    switch( cpiException(1) ) {
        case TIMEOUT:
            cpiGetFailedMessage(1, &fail_id);
            if (++retries > 3) {
                cpiGiveUp(fail_id);
                display_error_msg("Sending of indication fails", Block, Bit,
Val);
            }
            else {
                cpiRetransmit(fail_id);
            }
            break;
        case TCPIP_ERROR:
            /* no connection to the base system*/
    }
}

```

### 3.3 Memory management

An application automatically reserves the memory needed when the `cpiInitRemoteNode` routine is called. CPI reserves memory pools also for message buffers:

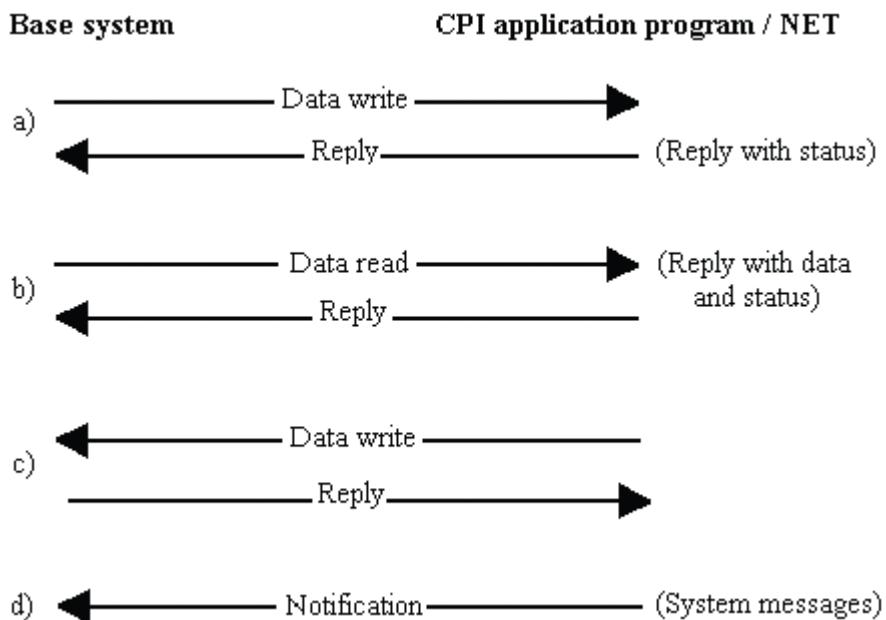
- Received messages
- Transmitted messages
- Transmissions failed

These pools are CPI internal and the CPI application program cannot see them directly. It must have its own memory management for communicating with the protocol it emulates.

### 3.4 Application Communication Protocol (ACP)

Communication between the SYS600 base system and front-ends like the NET unit is based on ACP (Application Communication Protocol). It is an internal protocol of SYS600 that is generally used in communication between the SYS600 nodes. The CPI application program can also be seen as one of the nodes.

The NET unit can communicate simultaneously with several applications on the base system. The CPI library using the ACP communication supports the following types of message dialogues presented in [Figure 3](#):



*Figure 3: Message dialogues supported in the ACP communication*

- a) Write commands: The base system writes the value of an attribute to the CPI application program.
- b) Read commands: The base system requests the value of an attribute from the CPI application program.
- c) Write commands: The CPI application program writes data to the base system process database.
- d) Notifications: The system message is sent from the CPI application program to the base system.

### 3.4.1 ACP messages

Each communication system contains a set of system objects, which specify the line properties, connected devices etc. These objects can be created, modified and deleted by SCIL (Supervisory Control Implementation Language), and setting the attributes of the objects can change the properties. The detailed description of attributes can be found in [Section 6](#) and the creation of protocol converters in [Section 4](#).

The target of the ACP message sent by the SYS600 base system is an attribute of a communication system object (NET, STA), which has been configured in the NET unit. The attributes of the communication system object can be divided into two main categories:

- Configuration attributes
- Communication attributes

Configuration attributes refer to the internal data of the NET unit. The NET unit can reply to these messages immediately. Communication attributes refer to the external data of the device. In this case, the ACP message must first be converted to the protocol of the external device before sending it forward. The replies to the communication attributes are usually not sent back to the base system before the actual reply from the external device is received.

Data transmission from the base system to the CPI application program is done by setting the attributes of the communication system object or the process object. This may happen by using SCIL and its commands.

ACP implements the layers presented in [Table 1](#)

*Table 1: ACP-OSI layer mapping*

OSI	ACP Feature				Remark	ACP layers
<b>Application</b>	Varying				Not explicitly specified	ACP application layer
	Proc. database and SCIL interface				Device profiles	
<b>Presentation</b>	ACP Data Array formats				Data coding rules	
<b>Session</b>	Attribute read/write				Connectionless session model comparable with remote proc. calls	
<b>Transport</b>	ACP Transport				ACP end-to-end acknowledge flow control by delayed acknowledge	
<b>Network</b>	Device level network info				Device level addressing	ACP network layer
	ANSI X3.28				Node level addressing	
<b>Link</b>	TCP/IP	ANSI X3.28	Common RAM	Integrated LINK	According to system components and topology	ACP link layer
<b>Physical</b>	LAN HW	RS-232-C	Computer HW	Computer HW	According to link	ACP physical layer

The ACP network layer consists of two sublayers:

- ANSI X 3.28 Network layer handles low level (link layer) message routing (node-to-node).
- ACP Network layer information is used for routing on the device level (application layer).

The following shows a list of fields of the ACP protocol messages. The CPI functions that can be used to get referred information are presented as well.

The first list shown in [Table 2](#) presents the fields, which are used for the low level message routing. The second list in [Table 3](#) consists of fields used for routing on the device level.

*Table 2: Fields used for the low level message routing*

Field	Description	CPI function
DST	Destination node address	cpiGetDestination
SRC	Source node address	cpiGetSource
CMD	Command/reply code	cpiGetMessageType (not read directly)
STS	Status	cpiGetReplyStatus (not read directly)
TNS	Transaction number	

*Table 3: Fields used for message routing on the device level*

Field	Description	CPI function
LDS	Logical destination	cpiGetRtuNo (not read directly), cpiGetDeviceType, cpiGetDeviceNumber
LSR	Logical source	Connection number
CNT	Transaction count	
Table continues on next page		

Field	Description	CPI function
FNC	Function	cpiGetMessageType (not read directly)
MBX	Mailbox	
ATR	Attribute	cpiGetAttribute
IND1	First index	cpiGetIndex
IND2	Last index	cpiGetIndex
DATA	Device data	cpiGetNextData, cpiGetNextDataType, cpiGetNextAddrData

The following examples describe the relationship between SCIL and fields of the ACP message:

#### Writing data to the CPI application:

```
#SET STA1:SDT(1..2)=(1,2)

SET          Message type (command + FNC write)
STA1         RTU number (device number and type packed to LDS)
SDT          Attribute
(1...        First index
...2)        Last index
(1,2)       Data
```

#### Reading data from the application:

```
@A = STA1:SAM(10)

@A          Message type (command + read)
STA1        RTU number (device number and type packed to LDS)
SAM          Attribute
(10)        First index
```

## 3.4.2 Reserved attributes

Because the CPI application program emulates STA objects in the NET unit, the use of attributes is not completely free. Some attribute names are reserved for the RTU process data communication. They cannot be used as the attributes of an application unless they have been used exactly in the same way as in the RTU or SPA devices.

The following attributes are used by the system and therefore they are not allowed to be used as the attributes of the application program. Except for the attributes below, attributes can be formed by using any abbreviation that consist of two letters.

*Table 4: The attributes not allowed to be used as the attributes of the application program*

Attribute	Description
DA	Process data
SM	System status message

The messages to the DA attribute are generated automatically by the base system when the output process objects are set. If this method is used with the CPI application program, it must emulate the DA attribute handling exactly in the same way as the RTU device does.

The attributes IU, SA, AL, AS, MI and MS are used with the RTU type station. It is recommended that these attributes should be used in the same way as documented in SYS600 System Objects manual.

## 3.5 Transmission error handling

When using the CPI programming interface, there are possibilities to handle different kinds of communication errors between the CPI application program and the base system. The following is a list of transmission error types on the CPI application program level. Examples of how the application reacts to each situation are presented as well:

- The TCP/IP connection is not open when the CPI application program tries to send a message to the base system (or for some other reason the message is not actually sent): An error status is returned by one of the ACP Basic communication functions, for example cpiSendMessage or cpiSendRtuMessage.
- SYS600 base system does not reply to the ACP data message: The failed application connection is identified by the exception flags of the cpiSelect function. The function cpiGetTransmissionBuffer cannot get a new buffer if failed transmission exists. It is therefore possible to retransmit or delete the message that has failed.
- SYS600 base system replies with an error status to the data message: The application program can read the status of the reply message by using the cpiGetReplyStatus function. In this case, there is no automatic retransmission mechanism included to the CPI retransmission mechanism. If the base system replies with the error status message, it usually will not help to transmit the same message again for it is very possible that it replies with the error status again.

## 3.6 Base system configuration

Each base system has a set of objects that specify the base system and its environment, hardware and software, as well as the physical and logical connections of the base system and its applications.

Base system objects are defined with SCIL commands in the SYS\_BASCON.COM file, which is executed every time the base system is started. With a few limitations, the user can also define and modify the base system objects any time when SYS600 is running. During the operation, the base system objects are in the primary memory of the base system computer.

The CPI application program emulates the RTU or SPA type of stations, which means that the interface towards the base system is similar to that of the RTU or SPA stations. The following describes the configuration of the base system for the CPI application program which emulates the RTU type of station. The CPI application program requires a node of its own. Communication between this node and the base system takes place via a LAN link.

### 3.6.1 Configuration steps

To configure SYS\_BASCON.COM:

1. Define the base system.
2. Define a LAN link.
3. Define an application.
4. Define nodes.
5. Define the RTU stations. The number of RTU stations can be the same as the number of the connected process units. This way, the information related to a certain process unit can be routed to the corresponding station in the NET unit. This way, the information can be differentiated between different process units. In the COM 500i configuration, it is possible to use a maximum of 8 NCC stations

The definitions are made in the example below. For more information on the system objects, see SYS600 System Objects. Steps 1..3 are necessary, but they are configured using the standard SYS\_BASCON.COM template. Steps 4..5 are necessary for the CPI application.

## 3.6.2 Example

The following is an example of the SYS\_BASCON.COM file for communication with the Modbus slave protocol. An application CPI\_TEST together with two stations is defined in the SYS600 base system.

```
;*****  
;  
; SYS_BASCON.COM  
; BASE SYSTEM CONFIGURATION TEMPLATE  
;  
;*****  
  
#CREATE SYS:B = LIST(-  
    SA = 209,- ;STATION ADDRESS OF BASE SYSTEM  
    ND = 9,- ;NODE NUMBER OF BASE SYSTEM  
    DN = 3,- ;DEFAULT NET NODE NUMBER  
    DS = "RTU",- ;STA TYPES: E.G. STA,RTU,SPA,REX  
    FS = "NEVER") ;FILE SYNCH CRITERIA  
  
;*****  
;  
; COMMUNICATION LINKS  
  
#CREATE LIN:V = LIST(- ;REQUIRES TCP/IP  
    LT = "LAN") ;FOR SYS-SYS AND LAN FRONTEND  
#CREATE LIN1:B = %LIN  
  
;*****  
;  
; COMMUNICATION NODES  
  
#CREATE NOD:V = LIST(-  
    LI = 1,-  
    SA = 203)  
#CREATE NOD3:B = %NOD  
  
;*****  
;  
; PRINTERS  
  
;*****  
;  
; MONITORS  
  
#LOOP_WITH I = 1..5  
    #CREATE MON'I':B = LIST(-  
        TT = "LOCAL",- ;TRANSLATION TYPE  
        DT = "X") ;X MONITOR  
        @MON_MAP(%I) = -1  
#LOOP_END  
  
#LOOP_WITH I = 6..10  
    #CREATE MON'I':B = LIST(-  
        TT = "LOCAL",- ;TRANSLATION TYPE  
        DT = "VS") ;VISUAL SCIL MONITOR  
        @MON_MAP(%I) = -1  
#LOOP_END  
  
;*****  
;  
; APPLICATIONS
```

```
#CREATE APL:V = LIST(-
    TT = "LOCAL",- ;TRANSLATION TYPE
    NA = "CPI TEST",- ;NAME OF APPLICATION DIRECTORY
    AS = "HOT",- ;APPLICATION STATE: COLD,WARM,HOT
    HB = 2000,- ;HISTORY BUFFER SIZE)
    RC = VECTOR("FILE_FUNCTIONS_CREATE_DIRECTORIES"),-
    AP = (1,2),-
    MO = %MON_MAP,- ;MONITOR MAPPING
    PR = (1,2,3)) ;PRINTER MAPPING
#CREATE APL1:B = %APL

;***** ; STATIONS

#CREATE STA1:B = LIST(-
    TT = "EXTERNAL",- ;TRANSLATION TYPE
    ST = "RTU",- ;NAME OF APPLICATION DIRECTORY
    ND = 3,- ;NUMBER OF DEVICES
    TN = 1) ;NUMBER OF TRANSMITTERS

#CREATE STA2:B = LIST(-
    TT = "EXTERNAL",- ;TRANSLATION TYPE
    ST = "RTU",- ;NAME OF APPLICATION DIRECTORY
    ND = 3,- ;NUMBER OF DEVICES
    TN = 2)
;*****
```



## Section 4 Creating protocol converters with CPI

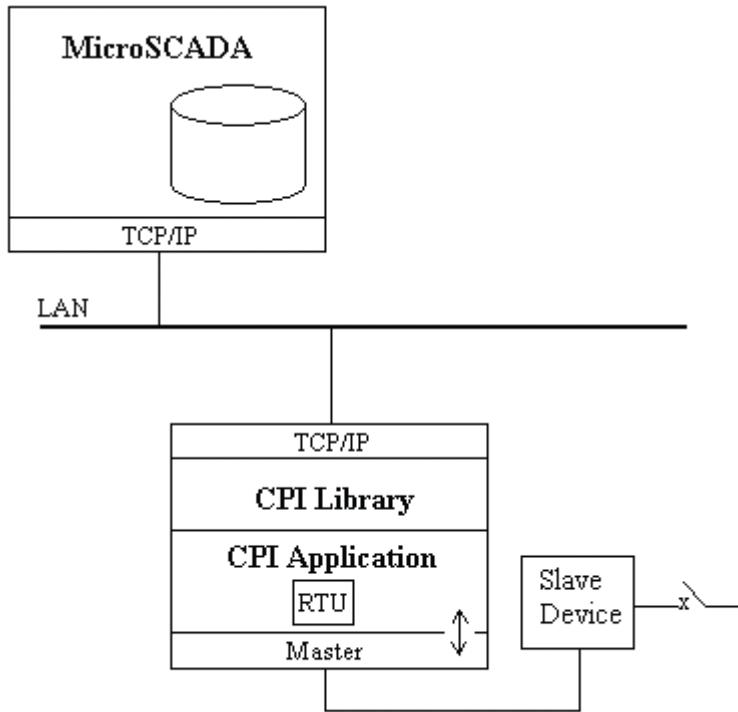
When a protocol converter is implemented using the CPI library, the project normally consists of the following parts:

- The application programming required in SYS600.
- The program that utilizes the CPI library for data transfer with the SYS600 base system.
- The program that converts the messages between the foreign protocol and the CPI application program.
- The program that handles the foreign protocol functions.
- An interface between the CPI part and the foreign protocol part of the program.

Furthermore, the protocol converters done with CPI can usually be divided into two categories. In the first case, the SYS600 base system is seen as a master and the slave devices connected via CPI collect data into the SYS600 process database. In the second case, the SYS600 base system is seen as a slave device and data is sent from the SYS600 process database to the master via CPI. The use of CPI and the work needed in different parts of the project differs significantly in these two cases. The following sections explain the differences and give information about the possible solutions of implementing protocol converters with CPI.

### 4.1 Slave devices connected to SYS600 via CPI

When slave devices are connected to the SYS600 base system via the CPI, the data flow is typically from the slave devices into SYS600 as shown in [Figure 4](#). Only commands (e.g. breaker operation) are transferred from the SYS600 base system to the slave devices. From the SYS600 base system's point of view, the slave devices are seen either as RTU or SPA type stations.



*Figure 4: The CPI application program acts as a master collecting data from the slave device to the SYS600 process database. The slave device is seen as a RTU station by the SYS600 base system.*

#### 4.1.1 **SYS600 base system configuration**

The CPI application is configured into the SYS600 base system as a node. This node is placed on a TCP/IP LAN link. The devices connected to the CPI are configured as RTU or SPA stations. See [Section 3.6](#) for more information about base system configuration.

#### 4.1.2 **Application programming in SYS600**

The need for special application programming in this case is usually very small. The library can be used to create a process database and picture functions.

#### 4.1.3 **Data transfer with the SYS600 base system using the CPI library**

The process data received from the slave devices can be sent to the SYS600 process database using the following CPI functions (detailed descriptions of each function can be found in [Section 5](#)). Notation “XXX” means that there are several functions with variable timestamps.

Indications:	cpiSendRtuIndicationXXX
Analog values:	cpiSendRtuAnalogValueXXX
Pulse counters:	cpiSendRtuPulseCounterXXX
Digital values:	cpiSendRtuDigitalValue
BitStream values:	cpiSendRtuBitStream

The commands from the SYS600 base system can be handled using the following cpi function:

`cpiGetNextAddrData`

With this function, it is possible to read the command object type, address and the value. The object type of the command can be one of the following:

- Object command (binary output).
- Regulation command.
- Digital setpoint.
- Analog setpoint.
- General persistent output.

#### 4.1.4 Converting messages between CPI and the foreign protocol

It is difficult to give any specific instructions for converting messages between CPI and the foreign protocol. However, the following questions need to be answered:

- How does the addressing of the data differ from the SYS600 base system addressing method? Is a cross-reference table needed or could it be possible to map the addresses directly into the SYS600 base system address space?
- How closely do the data types of the foreign protocol match the available types in the SYS600 base system? What kind of a conversion or scaling is needed?
- Is there a need for intermediate database in the CPI to reduce the data transfer between the CPI application program and the SYS600 process database?

#### 4.1.5 Implementation of the foreign protocol

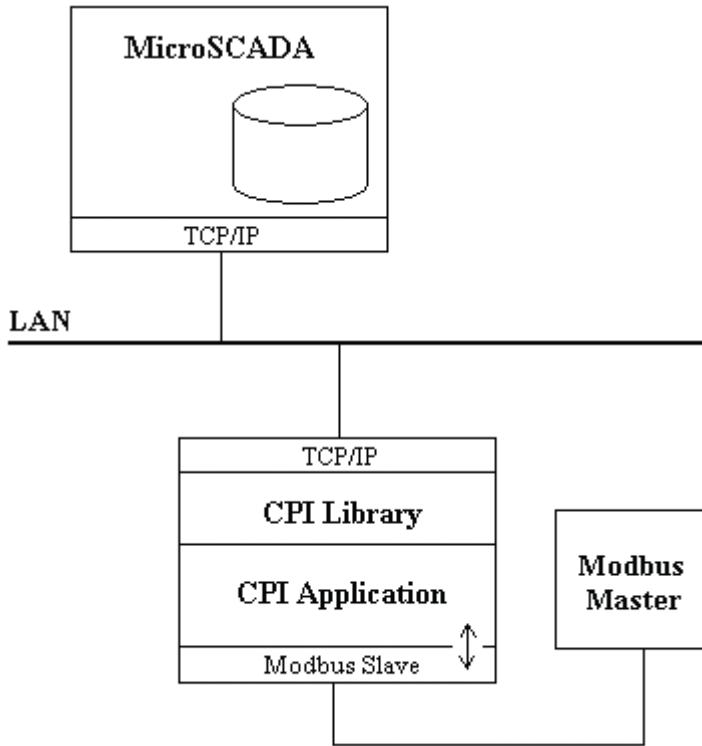
The foreign protocol is normally implemented as a separate thread (process), which simplifies the program structure and makes it easier to handle time critical tasks both in the CPI part and the foreign protocol part of the program.

#### 4.1.6 Interface between the CPI part and the foreign protocol part of the program

There are several ways of handling the communication between the CPI part and the foreign protocol part of the program. The example program delivered with the CPI installation package named `CPI_EXAMPLE` uses common global variables for transferring data between the program parts (threads).

### 4.2 Master device connected to SYS600 via CPI

When a master device is connected to the SYS600 base system via the CPI, the data flow is normally from the base system to the master as shown in [Figure 5](#). Only commands (e.g. breaker operation) are transferred from the master into the SYS600 base system. It is suggested that the CPI application program emulates the RP 570 slave device (SPI) as closely as possible in order to be able to use the existing applications in the SYS600 base system. These applications are used for data transfer between the SYS600 base system and the CPI application program (COM 500).



*Figure 5: SYS600 connected with the CPI application (e.g. Modbus Slave). The CPI application acts as a slave providing data from the SYS600 database for the master.*

#### 4.2.1 SYS600 base system configuration

The CPI application is configured into the SYS600 base system as a node. This node is placed on a TCP/IP LAN link. The master device connected to the CPI is configured as a RTU or SPA station although its behaviour resembles more that of the SPI station. See [Section 3.6](#) for more information about the base system configuration.

#### 4.2.2 Application programming in SYS600

The application program in SYS600 must take care of forwarding the data from the process database to the CPI application program. This is usually done by using event channels in the process objects that are connected to command procedures. The commands from the master are received into the input process objects activating a command procedure that will then operate the actual output process object. When the interface to the CPI is done according the SPI (RP 570 Slave device) profile, it is possible to use the existing command procedures and tools (COM 500*i*). See [SYS600 System Objects](#) for details of the SPI station attribute interface.

#### 4.2.3 Data transfer with SYS600 using the CPI library

The data received from SYS600 can be unpacked with the following CPI functions (detailed descriptions of each function can be found in [Section 5](#)):

`cpiGetRtuNo`

`cpiGetAttribute`

```
cpiGetIndex
cpiGetNextDataType
cpiGetNextData
cpiGetNextS32Data
```

The commands received from the master can be sent to the SYS600 base system by using the following CPI function:

```
cpiSendRtuDigitalValue
```

#### **4.2.4 Converting messages between the CPI and the foreign protocol**

It is difficult to give any specific instructions for converting messages between the CPI application program and the foreign protocol. Normally the following questions need to be answered:

- How does the addressing of the data differ from the SYS600 base system addressing method? Do we need a cross-reference table or can we map the addresses directly into the SYS600 base system address space?
- How closely do the data types of the foreign protocol match the available types in the SYS600 base system? What kind of a conversion or scaling is needed?
- Is there a need for intermediate database in the CPI to reduce the data transfer between the CPI application and the SYS600 process database?

#### **4.2.5 Implementation of the foreign protocol**

The foreign protocol is usually implemented as a separate thread (process), which simplifies the program structure and makes it easier to handle time critical tasks both in the CPI part and the foreign protocol part of the program.

#### **4.2.6 Interface between the CPI part and the foreign protocol part of the program**

There are several ways of handling the communication between the CPI part and the foreign protocol part of the program. The example program delivered with the CPI installation package named CPI\_EXAMPLE uses common global variables for transferring data between the program parts (threads).



# Section 5 CPI library

## 5.1 General

CPI library is a collection of functions for sending and receiving messages between SYS600 and the CPI application, and also for message handling, packing and unpacking. The functions contained in the CPI library are specified in this section. A list of the program files is presented in [Table 5](#) below.

*Table 5: Program files for CPI*

File Name	Description
cpint.lib	Microsoft Developer Studio Win32 Static Library file.
cpi.h	Header file for the CPI functions.
cpicl.h	CPI internal definition, type and function header file.
bufms.h	CPI buffer handling definitions.

Part of the definition file cpi.h, which contains the definition for different data types:

```

typedef int cpiMsgID;

typedef unsigned char cpiObjectType;
/* Object type numbers are same as in the ACP */

#define cpiU8          0
#define cpiS8          1
#define cpiU16         2
#define cpiS16         3
#define cpiU32         4
#define cpiS32         5
#define cpiF32         6
#define cpiADDR        7
#define cpiBV          8
#define cpiB           9

typedef struct {
    cpiObjectType ObjectType;
    unsigned int ObjectAddress;
    int ObjectValue;
} addressItem;

typedef struct {
    cpiDataType item_type;
    union { /* this definition is cpu specific */

```

```
unsigned char          U8;
unsigned char          S8;
unsigned short int    U16;
short int              S16;
unsigned long int     U32;
unsigned int           S32;
float                 F32;
unsigned short         A;
addressItem            ADDR;
} value;
} cupidity;

/* Message types */
#define chaperons 1
#define cpiMsgID 2
#define cpiMsgID 3
#define cabinets 4

typedef struct {
    unsigned char (year,month,day,hour,minute,second,ms)
} cpiTime;
```

## 5.2 Basic ACP Communications

The communication between the SYS600 base system and the NET unit is based on the ACP, internal communication protocol of SYS600.

Table 6: Basic ACP Communications

Function	Description
cpiSelect	Checks the status of the TCP/IP socket.
cpiException	Determines the cause of exception.
cpiSendMessage	Sends an ACP formatted message to SYS600.
cpiSendRtuMessage	Sends an ACP formatted message to SYS600 from RTU.
cpiSendSystemMessage	Sends a system message from any device.
cpiSendStandardSystemMessage	Sends a system message which activates RUNNING/SUSPENDED events for APL_EVENT event channel.
cpiSendStandardSystemMessageWithBinary	Sends a system message which activates RUNNING/SUSPENDED events for APL_EVENT event channel and updates process objects used by the System Self Supervision.
cpiSendNodeSystemMessage	Sends a system message for the CPI node itself, analog status point updated.
cpiSendNodeSystemMessageWithBinary	Sends a system message for the CPI node itself, analog and binary status points are updated. Binary status point is used by the System Self Supervision.
cpiSendStandardUserActivityMessage	Sends a user activity event system message from the application using CPI to any device.
cpiGetMessage	Reads an ACP formatted message from the received message queue.
cpiClearExceptionStatus	Clearing the status when an exception has occurred.
cpiSetApplicationCold	Set the "data not accepted flag" of the application.
cpiGetApplicationCold	Returns the "data not accepted flag" of the application.

## 5.2.1 cpiSelect

This function checks the TCP/IP socket in case there are any messages coming from the base system application, and if there are any connections ready for writing. It also returns information if any of the connections have failed or any message has not got a reply in time. Some of the communication between the base system and application is actually done inside this function, so it must be called in the main loop of the CPI application. The cpiSelect function returns when one of the specified input connections has received a message, or after the specified time has elapsed.

When this function is called, its arguments specify which connections the user is interested in. Then the function modifies the arguments to indicate the status of each connection.

*Table 7: The bit position indicates the status of the connection*

RD	WR	EX	Description
bit0	bit0	bit0	connection 1 flags
bit1	bit1	bit1	connection 2 flags
bit2	bit2	bit2	connection 3 flags

- RD Bit is set when CPI has received a message from this connection.
- WR Bit is set when CPI does not wait any reply from this connection.
- EX Bit is set when CPI has lost this connection or data message does not get reply from this connection. The actual cause of exception can be determined by using the cpiException function.

```
int cpiSelect(cpiBitSet *RD, cpiBitSet *WR, cpiBitSet *EX, long MS);
```

- |    |   |
|----|---|
| RD | Received message flags (max 16 connections) |
| WR | Ready for writing flags                     |
| EX | Failed connections flags                    |
| MS | Max. waiting time in milliseconds           |

Return values:

- 0 : OK

## 5.2.2 cpiException

This function determines the cause of exception (cpiSelect EX flags).

```
int cpiException(int CONNECTION);
```

Return values:

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| 1 | : TCP/IP error<br>- Connection to this node has been lost                                       |
| 2 | : No reply error<br>- Message sent by CPI has not received a reply from SYS600                  |
| 6 | : Application error<br>- Message sent by CPI has received a reply with error status from SYS600 |

### 5.2.3 cpiSendMessage

This function sends an ACP formatted message to SYS600. Before using this function, the message buffer must be reserved by using the functions cpiGetTransmissionBuffer or GetReplyBuffer, and formatted by using some of the cpiPutXXXData functions presented in [Section 5.6.2](#). (Notation XXX means that any function of this type is available.)

```
int cpiSendMessage(int DESTIN, cpiMsgID ID, int TIMEOUT);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
ID	Message buffer identification
TIMEOUT	Waiting time for the base system reply in milliseconds, if 0 -> no time-out supervision

Return values:

0	: OK
-2	: Invalid MsgID ; the buffer ID is not free, or it is unknown

### 5.2.4 cpiSendRtuMessage

This function sends an ACP formatted message to SYS600 from the RTU. Before using this function, the message buffer must be reserved by using the function cpiGetTransmissionBuffer and formatted by using some of the cpiPutXXXData functions presented in [Section 5.6.2](#). (Notation XXX means that any function of this type is available.)

```
int cpiSendRtuMessage(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, cpiMsgID ID, int TIMEOUT);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source RTU number
ID	Message buffer identification
TIMEOUT	Waiting time for the base system reply in milliseconds, if 0 -> no time-out supervision

Return values:

0	: OK
-2	: Invalid MsgID

### 5.2.5 cpiSendSystemMessage

The following function can be used to send a system message from any device. This function is present for backward compatibility and the usage of it is currently discouraged. Function cpiSendStandardSystemMessage is preferred instead.

int cpiSendSystemMessage(int con, int source, int address, int dataValid, short status)	
source	Source logical device, the following macro LOGICAL_ADDRESS(deviceType,deviceNumber)
address	address of the ANSI analog input process object to be updated
dataValid	cpiDATA_VALID ;The updated data values from the device are valid cpiDATA_NOT_VALID
status	status value for the ANSI analog input process object

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Example:  
;Sending NET1 line status 12602 to address 6103:

```
cpiSendSystemMessage(      con,
                           LOGICAL_ADDRESS(NET_DEVICE,1),
                           6103,
                           0,
                           12602)
```

## 5.2.6 cpiSendStandardSystemMessage

This function can be used to send a system message from any device. State values cpiDEVICE\_STATUS\_CHANGES\_TO\_SUSPENDED and cpiDEVICE\_STATUS\_CHANGES\_TO\_RUNNING will activate the predefined event channel APL\_EVENT. For more information, see SYS600 Application Objects. When cpiSendStandardSystemMessage function is called, an ANSI analog input status point with settings UN=0, OA=address in the receiving application is updated also. The usage of this function is preferred instead of cpiSendSystemMessage.

```
int cpiSendStandardSystemMessage(int con, int source, int address, int newState, short status)
where
  source          source Source logical device, the following macro should be used to
                  calculate the value LOGICAL_ADDRESS(deviceType, deviceNumber)
  address         address of the ANSI analog input process object to be updated
  newState        cpiDEVICE_STATUS_NOT_CHANGED
                  ;Device status is not changed
                  cpiDEVICE_STATUS_CHANGES_TO_SUSPENDED
                  ;Device status changes to suspended
                  cpiDEVICE_STATUS_CHANGES_TO_RUNNING
                  ;Device status changes to running
  status          status value for the ANSI analog input process object

Example:
; Send a suspension status 13251 from SPA device 2.
cpiSendStandardSystemMessage( con,
                               LOGICAL_ADDRESS(SPA_DEVICE, 2),
                               1002,
                               cpiDEVICE_STATUS_CHANGES_TO_SUSPENDED,
                               13251)
```

## 5.2.7 cpiSendStandardSystemMessageWithBinary

This function can be used to send a system message from any device. State values cpiDEVICE\_STATUS\_CHANGES\_TO\_SUSPENDED and cpiDEVICE\_STATUS\_CHANGES\_TO\_RUNNING will activate the predefined event channel APL\_EVENT, see System Application Objects manual for more information. When cpiSendStandardSystemMessageWithBinary function is called, an ANSI analog input status point with settings UN=0, OA=address and an ANSI binary input status point with settings UN=0, OA=address+16777216 (1000000hex) in the receiving application are updated. Values for the binary object are 1=OK, 0=not OK. The usage of this function is preferred instead of cpiSendSystemMessage.

```
int cpiSendStandardSystemMessageWithBinary(int con, int source, int address, int newState, short status)
where
    con                      Connection number to destination application
    source                   Source logical device, the following macro should be used to calculate the
                            value LOGICAL_ADDRESS(deviceType, deviceNumber)
    address                 address of the ANSI analog input process object to be updated. The address
                            of binary input status object is
                            address+16777216
    newState                cpiDEVICE_STATUS_NOT_CHANGED
                            ;Device status is not changed (binary input status object not updated)
                            cpiDEVICE_STATUS_CHANGES_TO_SUSPENDED
                            ;Device status changes to suspended (binary input status object updated to
                            0)
                            cpiDEVICE_STATUS_CHANGES_TO_RUNNING
                            ;Device status changes to running (binary input status object updated to 1)
    status                  status value for the ANSI analog input process object
```

Example:

```
; Send a 'RUNNING' status from SPA device 2, analog input status object will be updated with value 0 (no error)
; and the binary input will be updated with value 1 (connection OK)

cpiSendStandardSystemMessageWithBinary( con,
                                         LOGICAL_ADDRESS(SPA_DEVICE, 2
                                         1002,
                                         cpiDEVICE_STATUS_CHANGES_TO_RUNNING,
                                         0);
```

## 5.2.8 cpiSendNodeSystemMessage

This function can be used to send a system message from the CPI node itself. Calling this function will update the ANSI analog input process object with the setting UN=0, OA=address. The value of the process object can be given with the parameter STATUS but for correct co-operation with System Self Supervision, it is recommended to use the value 10001=NETP\_SYSTEM\_INITIALIZED. SSS uses this process object in its displays to indicate the status of the node.

```
int cpiSendNodeSystemMessage(int con, int address, short status)
where
    con                      Connection number to destination application
    address                 address of the ANSI analog input process object to be updated, value used
                            by SSS is 6000+node number
    status                  status value for the ANSI analog input process object

Example:
; Send NETP_SYSTEM_INITIALIZED status message indicating that the CPI node has started and established
connection to the basesystem.

cpiSendNodeSystemMessage( con,
                         6002,
                         10001);
```

## 5.2.9 cpiSendNodeSystemMessageWithBinary

This function can be used to send a system message from the CPI node itself. Calling this function will update the ANSI analog input process object with the setting UN=0, OA=address, and the ANSI binary input process object with setting UN=0, OA=address + 1000000hex. The value of the analog input process object can be given with the parameter STATUS but for correct co-operation with System Self Supervision, it is recommended to use the value 10001=NETP\_SYSTEM\_INITIALIZED. The value of the binary input object will always be 1.

SSS uses these process objects in its displays to indicate the status of the node.

```
int cpiSendNodeSystemMessageWithBinary(int con, int address, short status)
where
    con                      Connection number to destination application
    address                  address of the ANSI analog input process object to be updated, value used
                             by SSS is 6000+node number
    status                   status value for the ANSI analog input process object
Example:
; Send NETP_SYSTEM_INITIALIZED status message indicating that the CPI node has started and established
connection to the basesystem.
cpiSendNodeSystemMessageWithBinary( con,
                                    6002,
                                    10001);
```

## 5.2.10 cpiSendStandardUserActivityMessage

This function can be used to send a user activity event system message from the station object to any device. When cpiSendStandardUserActivityMessage function is called, a corresponding ACP message is sent to the basesystem node. The content of the message is based on the information in the structure pointer by the pUAL\_Event. Function is available only with separate agreement.

Parameter pathstr should refer to attribute MN

```
int cpiSendStandardUserActivityMessage (int con, UAL_EventType *pUALEvent, char *pathstr, int timeout,
                                         cpiMsgID *id);
pUAL_EVENT          Pointer UAL_EventType Structure containing the user activity event
                     information
pathstr             pointer to NULL-terminated string of max. 16 characters to identify the sender
                     STA object
TIMEOUT            Timeout in ms
```

## 5.2.11 cpiGetMessage

This function reads an ACP formatted message from the received message queue.



This function must not be called before the unpacking of the previous message is completely read, because the data of the previous message will be overwritten by this function.

```
int cpiGetMessage( int SOURCE, cpiMsgID *ID, *MSGTYPE);
SOURCE           Source connection number
ID              Message buffer identification
MSGTYPE         Type of the received message,
                1=write, 2=read, 3=reply,
                4= notification
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-4	: No messages from this source

## 5.2.12 cpiClearExceptionStatus

This function clears a certain status code when an exception has occurred. If, for example, the function cpiException has returned 6=Application Error, the status can be cleared in order to retry the data transmission to the base system as well as enable the accessing of CPI Node from other MicroSCADA application. This function is needed, for example, in the Hot Standby implementation, if the main application receiving the data is not ready to accept data and causes an exception, access from WD application is still needed.

```
int cpiClearExceptionStatus(int CONNECTION, short c_status);
```

Example: if cpiException has returned 6 = application error, the status should be cleared with a call

```
cpiClearExceptionStatus(mConn, SYST_APPLICATION_DOES_NOT_EXIST);
```

Return values:

0	: OK
---	------

## 5.2.13 cpiSetApplicationCold

This function sets the value of the "data not accepted" flag of the given application. This function is not necessarily used but it can be used if there is a need clear the mentioned flag. See also cpiGetApplicationCold.

```
void cpiSetApplicationCold( int CONNECTION, int STATE);
```

CONNECTION                         Source connection number

STATE                                 0=application accepts data  
                                       1=application does not accept data

Return values: none

## 5.2.14 cpiGetApplicationCold

This function returns the value of the "data not accepted" flag of the given application. This function is needed in Hot Standby implementations in order to know if the next transmission to the application should be done or not. In case an error SYST\_APPLICATION\_DOES\_NOT\_EXIST=7049 has been returned to the previous data transmission, the "data not accepted" flag of the receiving application is set to 1 to indicate that the application is not ready to accept data. The retransmission can be done after a delay to see if the situation has changed. In MicroSCADA version 9.3 and newer, the application which is in COLD state may also accept data since it uses its own buffering.

```
int cpiGetApplicationCold( int CONNECTION);
```

CONNECTION                         Source connection number

Return values:

0	: application accepts data
1	: application does not accept data

## 5.3 Communication control services

These functions control the failed message transmission.

*Table 8: Communication control services*

Function	Description
cpiGetFailedMessage	Returns the ID of the failed message.
cpiRetransmitMessage	Retransmits the message, which is in the failed message queue.
cpiGiveUp	Deletes a message from the failed message queue.

### 5.3.1 cpiGetFailedMessage

This function returns the id of the failed message. The failed message has not received a reply from the application.

```
int cpiGetFailedMessage(int DESTIN, cpiMsgID *ID);
ID           Id for failed message
DESTIN       Destination connection number
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-4	: No failed messages in this connection

### 5.3.2 cpiRetransmitMessage

This function retransmits the message, which is in the failed message queue.

```
int cpiRetransmit(cpiMsgId ID);
```

Return values:

0	: OK, retransmission started
-2	: Invalid MsgID

### 5.3.3 cpiGiveUp

This function deletes a message from the failed message queue.

```
int cpiGiveUp(cpiMsgId ID);
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-2	: Invalid MsgID

## 5.4 Message filtering services

Normally, only messages from the base system to station devices (RTU, SPA) configured in the CPI application node are visible for the CPI functions. To be able to emulate a conventional NET

unit operation, there is a need to also access messages directed to the CPI application node itself (NET object). This filtering can be controlled and monitored with the following functions.

When the filtering is switched off, all messages except diagnostic messages (the NET object attribute names NS and DS are reserved for the internal use of CPI) directed to the CPI node are passed through the interface and can be further processed with the CPI functions.

*Table 9: Message filtering*

Function	Description
cpiNetMessageFiltering	Monitors the filtering of messages sent by the base system.
cpiSetNetMessageFiltering	Controls the filtering of messages sent by the base system.

## 5.4.1 cpiNetMessageFiltering

The current state of the filtering can be read by this function.

```
int cpiNetMessageFiltering();
```

Return values:

```
0 = off  
1 = on
```

## 5.4.2 cpiSetNetMessageFiltering

Controls filtering of messages sent by the base system.

```
void cpiNetMessageFiltering(int value);
```

value:  
0 = off  
1 = on (default)

# 5.5 RTU and SPA process data sending functions

The following functions are also considered to be automatic functions for building and sending certain ACP messages to the SYS600 process database. Each **Send...** function reserves a buffer for message, fills it and sends it to the base system.

Each one of the following functions can also be made manually. Instructions for this can be found in [Section 5.6](#) and in [Section 5.7](#).

## 5.5.1 RTU – application level data transmission services

The RTU Object Model is based on an object type and object block number concept (see SYS600 Application Objects). For input process data the object block number range is 1...255. For commands (from the SYS600 application to the CPI application) the range is 1...2047.

*Table 10: RTU - application level data transmission services*

Function	Description
cpiSendRtuStatusMessage	Sends an ACP formatted notification message to SYS600.
cpiSendRtuIndication	Sends indication values to the base system process database.
cpiSendRtuIndicationBlock	Sends an indication value block to the base system process database.

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Function	Description
<code>cpiSendRtuIndicationWithTS</code>	Sends the indication values with timestamp to the base system process database.
<code>cpiSendRtuAnalogValue</code>	Sends an analog value to the base system process database.
<code>cpiSendRtuAnalogValueWithTS</code>	Sends an analog value with timestamp to the base system process database.
<code>cpiSendRtuPulseCounter</code>	Sends a pulse counter value to the base system process database.
<code>cpiSendRtuPulseCounterWithTS</code>	Sends a pulse counter value with timestamp to the base system process database.
<code>cpiSendRtuBitStream</code>	Sends a bit string to the process object database of the base system.

### **5.5.1.1 cpiSendRtuStatusMessage**

This function sends an ACP formatted notification message to SYS600. A reply to this message is not expected.

```
int cpiSendRtuStatusMessage(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int STYPE, int DATAVALID, short STATUS );
```

**DESTIN** Destination connection number

SOURCE Source RTU number

STYPE	Status type
0	Device status message
1	Terminal status message
2	Terminal event message
3	Terminal message

## STATUS Status code

Return values:

0 : OK

-13 : No buffer -> CPI cannot get a buffer for the message



After starting the application program (the connections to the base systems and the remote RTU should be established), it is important to send the system status message to the base system. The status parameter should be set as OK\_STATUS (or RTUP\_DEVICE\_STARTED) and the DATAVALID parameter as TRUE. The base system marks the object status related to the process data of the source RTU to OK (OS=0) or OBSOLETE\_STATUS (OS=2) based on the DATAVALID parameter.

The following status codes are valid when the front-end emulates the RTU device (see SYS600 Status Codes):

#### **RTU level status codes:**

0	OK_STATUS
12602	RTUP_DEVICE_SUSPENDED
12603	RTUP_TIMEOUT_WHILE_WAITING_RESPONSE
12604	RTUP_DEVICE_STOPPED

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12605	RTUP_DEVICE_STARTED
12658	RTUC_INVALID_INDEX_RANGE
12662	RTUC_ATTRIBUTE_IS_WRITE_ONLY
12665	RTUC_NOT_EXECUTED_RESPONSE
12676	RTUC_UNEXPECTED_VALUE

**Descriptions:**

0 OK\_STATUS

The purpose of this status message is to indicate that the CPI application program considers the RTU connection to be working properly. This should always be sent right after the start-up situation, when a connection has been established. It should also be sent after a communication break, when the connection has been re-established.

12602 RTUP\_DEVICE\_SUSPENDED

When the CPI application program activates an RTU device image for the process communication, this is the first system message to be sent. It indicates that the CPI application program does not currently have the connection to this RTU but it is trying to establish it since this is the RTU connection start-up situation. It is also sent when the CPI application program detects that the connection to a certain RTU is lost. The DATAVALID parameter is set to false to indicate that the process database image of this RTU is no longer valid (see above).

12603 RTUP\_TIMEOUT\_WHILE\_WAITING\_RESPONSE

This status message indicates that the RTU did not react to the message initiated from a SYS600 application. Note that this means no response at all. The negative acknowledgements are handled by the "Not executed response" status code.

12604 RTUP\_DEVICE\_STOPPED

The RTU device emulated in the CPI application program can be stopped by setting its IU attribute to zero. This means that the connection to the RTU is properly disconnected. When this is done, the RTU image should send this status message to the SYS600 application. The DATAVALID flag should be set to FALSE since the updating of the SYS600 process database now stops from this RTU image.

12605 RTUP\_DEVICE\_STARTED

When the IU attribute of a device is set to one (1), the RTU image should respond by this system message. If this is the first time the RTU image is started after start-up, the DATAVALID should be set to FALSE. If the RTU image receives an IU attribute while the device connection is OK, the DATAVALID is set to TRUE.

12658 RTUC\_INVALID\_INDEX\_RANGE

If the SYS600 application attempts to update an attribute with an invalid index (e.g. index equal to 5 when the highest allowed index is 4), the RTU image responds with this status message.

12662 RTUC\_ATTRIBUTE\_IS\_WRITE\_ONLY

The RTU image responds with this status message for attempts to read values from attributes that can only be written. A typical example might be some of the command type attributes.

12665 RTUC\_NOT\_EXECUTED\_RESPONSE

This status message is sent to the SYS600 application when the RTU responds to the command with a negative acknowledgement from the application.

12676 RTUC\_UNEXPECTED\_VALUE

This status message indicates the attempts to write an invalid value to a RTU image attribute, e.g. a text value to an integer type attribute.

**Node level status codes:**

14016	NETW_UNKNOWN_DESTINATION_DEVICE
14018	NETW_UNKNOWN_DEVICE_ATTRIBUTE
14044	NETW_INVALID_STATION_ADDRESS

### 5.5.1.2 cpiSendRtuIndication

This function sends an indication value to the base system process database.

```
int cpiSendRtuIndication(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, int BIT, int VAL, int STATUS, int TIMEOUT,
cpiMsgID *ID);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source RTU number
BLOCK	Object address of the process object
BIT	Bit number destination word (0..15)
VAL	Value of bit 0,1 for single indications, 10,11,12,13 for double indications
BVAL	16 bit value
TS	Timestamp
TIMEOUT	Timeout in ms;
STATUS	Status code for data (0= ok)

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: buffer full, the filling of the ACP message has been failed
-13	: cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: connection waiting Sending failed because of the reply for the previously sent message
-22	: Invalid value

### 5.5.1.3 cpiSendRtuIndicationBlock

This function sends an indication value block to the base system process database.

```
int cpiSendRtuIndicationBlock(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, int BVAL, int STATUS, int TIMEOUT,
cpiMsgID *ID);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source RTU number
BLOCK	Object address of the process object
BIT	Bit number destination word (0..15)
VAL	Value of bit 0,1 for single indications, 10,11,12,13 for double indications
BVAL	16 bit value
TS	Timestamp
TIMEOUT	Timeout in ms;
STATUS	Status code for data (0= ok)

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: buffer full, the filling of the ACP message has been failed
-13	: cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: connection waiting The sending failed because the reply for the previously sent message has not been received
-22	: Invalid value

#### 5.5.1.4 cpiSendRtuIndicationWithTS

This function sends an indication value with timestamp to the base system process database.

int cpiSendRtuIndicationWithTS(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, int BIT, int VAL, cpiTime TS, int STATUS, int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);	
DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source RTU number
BLOCK	Object address of the process object
BIT	Bit number destination word (0..15)
VAL	Value of bit 0,1 for single indications, 10,11,12,13 for double indications
BVAL	16 bit value
TS	Timestamp
TIMEOUT	Timeout in ms;
STATUS	Status code for data (0= ok)

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: buffer full, the filling of the ACP message has been failed
-13	: cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: connection waiting The sending failed because the reply for the previously sent message has not been received
-22	: Invalid value

#### 5.5.1.5 cpiSendRtuAnalogValue

This function sends an analog value to the base system process database.

int cpiSendRtuAnalogValue(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, int VAL,int STATUS, int FLAGS, int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);	
DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source RTU number
BLOCK	Object address of process object
VAL	Value of an analog value, the value range is [-2000...+2000]. Incoming values must be scaled to this range.
TS	Timestamp

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TIMEOUT	Timeout in ms;
STATUS	Status code for data (0= ok)
FLAGS	Status flags of analog value process objects bit0 -> Lo Alarm flag bit1 -> Lo Warning flag bit2 -> Hi Warning flag bit3 -> Hi Alarm flag

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: buffer full, the filling of the ACP message has been failed
-13	: cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: connection waiting The sending failed because of the reply for the previously sent message
-22	: Invalid value

### 5.5.1.6 cpiSendRtuAnalogValueWithTS

This function sends an analog value with timestamp to the base system process database.

int cpiSendRtuAnalogValueWithTS(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, int VAL, cpiTime TS, int STATUS, int FLAGS, int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);	
DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source RTU number
BLOCK	Object address of process object
VAL	Value of an analog value, the value range is [-2000...+2000]. Incoming values must be scaled to this range.
TS	Timestamp
TIMEOUT	Timeout in ms;
STATUS	Status code for data (0= ok)
FLAGS	Status flags of analog value process objects bit0 -> Lo Alarm flag bit1 -> Lo Warning flag bit2 -> Hi Warning flag bit3 -> Hi Alarm flag

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: buffer full, the filling of the ACP message has been failed
-13	: cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: connection waiting The sending failed because of the reply for the previously sent message
-22	: Invalid value

### 5.5.1.7 cpiSendRtuPulseCounter

This function sends a pulse counter value to the base system process database.

```
int cpiSendRtuPulseCounter(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, long VAL,int STATUS,int FLAGS, int TIMEOUT,
cpiMsgID *ID);

DESTIN           Destination connection number
SOURCE           Source RTU number
BLOCK            Object address of the process object
VAL              Value of the pulse counter
TS               Timestamp
TIMEOUT          Timeout in milliseconds
STATUS           Status code for data (0= ok)
FLAGS            Status flags of the pulse counter process objects
                 bit4 -> End of the period flag
```

**Return values:**

0	: OK
-7	: Buffer full, the filling of the ACP message has been failed
-13	: Cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: Connection waiting The sending failed because the reply to the previously sent message has not been received
-22	: Invalid value

### 5.5.1.8 **cpiSendRtuPulseCounterWithTS**

This function sends a pulse counter value with timestamp to the base system process database.

```
int cpiSendRtuPulseCounterWithTS(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, long VAL, cpiTime TS, int STATUS, int
FLAGS, int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);

DESTIN           Destination connection number
SOURCE           Source RTU number
BLOCK            Object address of the process object
VAL              Value of the pulse counter
TS               Timestamp
TIMEOUT          Timeout in milliseconds
STATUS           Status code for data (0= ok)
FLAGS            Status flags of the pulse counter process objects
                 bit4 -> End of the period flag
```

**Return values:**

0	: OK
-7	: Buffer full, the filling of the ACP message has been failed
-13	: Cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: Connection waiting -The sending failed because the reply to the previously sent message has not been received
-22	: Invalid value

### 5.5.1.9 cpiSendRtuBitStream

This function sends a bit string to the process object database of the base system.

```
int cpiSendRtuBitStream(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int ADDR, int LEN, char STREAM[], int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source RTU number
ADDR	Address of the process object
LEN	Length of bitstream in bits !!
STREAM	Array of bits stored on the char array (Bitstream begins fromv bit0 of first char)
TIMEOUT	Timeout in milliseconds
FLAGS	Status flags of the pulse counter process objects bit4 -> End of the period flag

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: Buffer full, the length of the bit stream is too long.

### 5.5.2 SPA - application level data transmission services

The following functions reserve a buffer for a message, fill and send it from the SPA type device to the base system.

*Table 11: SPA - application level data transmission services*

Function	Description
cpiSendSpaAnalogValueWithTSandFlags	Sends an analog value with alarm flags and timestamp to the base system process database.
cpiSendSpaAnalogValueWithTS	Sends an analog value with timestamp to the base system process database.
cpiSendSpaAnalogValue	Sends an analog value to the base system process database.
cpiSendSpaDigitalValueWithTSandFlags	Sends a digital value with alarm flags and timestamp to the base system process database.
cpiSendSpaDigitalValueWithTS	Sends a digital value with timestamp to the base system process database.
cpiSendSpaDigitalValue	Sends a digital value to the base system process database.
cpiSendSpaIndicationWithTS	Sends an indication value with timestamp to the base system process database.
cpiSendSpaIndicationBlockWithTS	Sends an indication value block with timestamp to the base system process database.
cpiSendSpaIndication	Sends an indication value to the base system process database.
cpiSendSpaIndicationBlock	Sends an indication value block to the base system process database.
cpiSendSpaPulseCounterWithTS	Sends a pulse counter value with timestamp to the base system process database.
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Function	Description
cpiSendSpaStatusMessage	Sends an ACP formatted notification message to SYS600.
cpiSendSpaMessage	Sends an ACP formatted message to SYS600 from SPA.
cpiSendSpaBitStream3	Updates a bitstream process object in the base system process database.
cpiSendSpaBitStream3WithTS	Updates a bitstream process object with timestamp in the base system process database.
cpiSendBufferedSpaIndicationWithTS	Sends an indication value with timestamp to the base system process database. Indication is marked as buffered.
cpiSendSpaBufferedIndicationBlockWithTS	Sends an indication value block with timestamp to the base system process database. Indication block is marked as buffered.

### 5.5.2.1 cpiSendSpaAnalogValueWithTSandFlags

This function sends an analog value with timestamp to the base system process database. The parameter 'FLAGS' is used to provide alarm information of the measured value.

```
int cpiSendSpaAnalogValueWithTSandFlags(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, float VAL, cpiTime TS, int STATUS, int FLAGS, int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source SPA number
BLOCK	Object address of process object
VAL	Value of an analog value
TS	Timestamp
TIMEOUT	Timeout in milliseconds
STATUS	Status code for data (0= ok)
FLAGS	Status flags of analog value process objects bit0 -> Lo Alarm flag bit1 -> Lo Warning flag bit2 -> Hi Warning flag bit3 -> Hi Alarm flag

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: Buffer full, the filling of the ACP message failed
-13	: Cannot get buffer for transmission message -The sending failed because the reply to the previously sent message has not been received
-20	: Connection waiting
-22	: Invalid value

### 5.5.2.2 cpiSendSpaAnalogValueWithTS

This function sends an analog value with timestamp to the base system process database.

```
int cpiSendSpaAnalogValueWithTS(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, float VAL, cpiTime TS, int STATUS, int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source SPA number
BLOCK	Object address of process object
VAL	Value of an analog value
TS	Timestamp
TIMEOUT	Timeout in milliseconds
STATUS	Status code for data (0= ok)

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: Buffer full, the filling of the ACP message failed
-13	: Cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: Connection waiting, previously sent message has not been received
-22	: Invalid value

### 5.5.2.3 cpiSendSpaAnalogValue

This function sends an analog value without timestamp to the base system process database.

```
int cpiSendSpaAnalogValue(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, float VAL, int STATUS, int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source SPA number
BLOCK	Object address of the process object
VAL	Value of an analog value
TIMEOUT	Timeout in milliseconds
STATUS	Status code for data (0 = ok)

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: Buffer full, the filling of the ACP message failed
-13	: Cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: Connection waiting -The sending failed because the reply to the previously sent message has not been received
-22	: Invalid value

### 5.5.2.4 cpiSendSpaDigitalValueWithTSandFlags

This function sends a digital value with timestamp to the base system process database. The parameter FLAGS is used to provide alarm information of the measured value.

```
int cpiSendSpaDigitalValueWithTSandFlags(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, short VAL, cpiTime TS, int STATUS, int FLAGS, int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source SPA number
BLOCK	Object address of the process object
VAL	Digital value
TS	Timestamp
TIMEOUT	Timeout in milliseconds
STATUS	Status code for data (0 = ok)
FLAGS	Status flags of analog value process objects bit0 -> Lo Alarm flag bit1 -> Lo Warning flag bit2 -> Hi Warning flag bit3 -> Hi Alarm flag

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: Buffer full, the filling of the ACP message failed
-13	: Cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: Connection waiting -The sending failed because the reply to the previously sent message has not been received
-22	: Invalid value

### 5.5.2.5 **cpiSendSpaDigitalValueWithTS**

This function sends a digital value with timestamp to the base system process database.

```
int cpiSendSpaDigitalValueWithTS(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, short VAL, cpiTime TS, int STATUS, int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source SPA number
BLOCK	Object address of the process object
VAL	Digital value
TS	Timestamp
TIMEOUT	Timeout in milliseconds
STATUS	Status code for data (0 = ok)

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: Buffer full, the filling of the ACP message failed
-13	: Cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: Connection waiting -The sending failed because the reply to the previously sent message has not been received
-22	: Invalid value

### 5.5.2.6 cpiSendSpaDigitalValue

This function sends a digital value without timestamp to the base system process database.

```
int cpiSendSpaDigitalValue(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, short VAL, int STATUS, int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source SPA number
BLOCK	Object address of process object
VAL	Digital value
TS	Timestamp
TIMEOUT	Timeout in ms;
STATUS	Status code for data (0= ok)

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: buffer full, the filling of the ACP message failed
-13	: cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: connection waiting -The sending failed because the reply to the previously sent message has not been received
-22	: Invalid value

### 5.5.2.7 cpiSendSpaIndicationWithTS

This function sends an indication value with timestamp to the base system process database.

```
int cpiSendSpaIndicationWithTS(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, int BIT, int VAL, cpiTime TS, int STATUS, int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source SPA number
BLOCK	Object address of process object
BIT	Bit number destination word (0..15)
VAL	Value of bit 0,1 for single indications, 10,11,12,13 for double indications
BVAL	16 bit value
TS Timestamp	Timestamp
TIMEOUT	Timeout in ms;
STATUS	Status code for data (0= ok)

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: buffer full, the filling of the ACP message failed
-13	: cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: connection waiting -The sending failed because the reply to the previously sent message has not been received
-22	: Invalid value

### 5.5.2.8 cpiSendSpaIndicationBlockWithTS

This function sends an indication value block with timestamp to the base system process database.

```
int cpiSendSpaIndicationBlockWithTS(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, int BVAL, cpiTime TS, int STATUS,  
int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source SPA number
BLOCK	Object address of process object
BIT	Bit number destination word (0..15)
VAL	Value of bit 0,1 for single indications,
BVAL	16 bit value
TS	Timestamp
TIMEOUT	Timeout in ms;
STATUS	Status code for data (0= ok)

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: buffer full, the filling of the ACP message failed
-13	: cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: connection waiting -The sending failed because the reply to the previously sent message has not been received
-22	: Invalid value

### 5.5.2.9 cpiSendSpaIndication

This function sends an indication value to the base system process database.

```
int cpiSendSpaIndication(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, int BIT, int VAL, int STATUS, int TIMEOUT,  
cpiMsgID *ID);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source SPA number
BLOCK	Object address of process object
BIT	Bit number destination word (0..15)
VAL	Value of bit 0,1 for single indications,
BVAL	16 bit value
TIMEOUT	Timeout in ms;
STATUS	Status code for data (0= ok)

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: Buffer full, the filling of the ACP message failed
-13	: Cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: connection waiting -The sending failed because the reply to the previously sent message has not been received
-22	: Invalid value

### 5.5.2.10 cpiSendSpaIndicationBlock

This function sends an indication value block to the base system process database.

int cpiSendSpaIndicationBlock(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, int BVAL, int STATUS, int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);	
DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source SPA number
BLOCK	Object address of process object
BIT	Bit number destination word (0..15)
VAL	Value of bit 0,1 for single indications, 10,11,12,13 for double indications
BVAL	16 bit value
TIMEOUT	Timeout in ms;
STATUS	Status code for data (0= ok)

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: Buffer full, the filling of the ACP message failed
-13	: Cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: connection waiting -The sending failed because the reply to the previously sent message has not been received
-22	: Invalid value

### 5.5.2.11 cpiSendSpaPulseCounterWithTS

This function sends a pulse counter value with timestamp to the base system process database.

int cpiSendSpaPulseCounterWithTS(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, long VAL, cpiTime TS, int STATUS, int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);	
DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source SPA number
BLOCK	Object address of process object
VAL	Value of the pulse counter
TS	Timestamp
TIMEOUT	Timeout in milliseconds
STATUS	Status code for data (0 = ok)

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: Buffer full, the filling of the ACP message failed
-13	: Cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: Connection waiting -The sending failed because the reply to the previously sent message has not been received
-22	: Invalid value

### 5.5.2.12 cpiSendSpaStatusMessage

This function sends an ACP formatted notification message to SYS600.

int	cpiSendSpaStatusMessage(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int STYPE, int DATAVALID, short STATUS );
SOURCE	Destination connection number
STYPE	Status type 0 -> Device status message 1 -> Terminal status message 2 -> Terminal event message 3 -> Terminal message
DATAVALID	0 -> Data is not longer valid in this spa unit. 1-> Data is valid in this spa
STATUS	Status code

Return values:

0	: OK
-13	: No buffer -> cpi cannot get buffer for message

The following status codes are valid when the front-end emulates the SPA device (see SYS600 Status Codes):

#### SPA status codes:

0	OK_STATUS
13201	SPAC_SC_DATA_OVERFLOW
13202	SPAC_TOO_LONG_REPLY RECEIVED
13203	SPAC_SPA_ADDRESS_NOT_CONFIGURED
13204	SPAC_DEVICE_MUST_BE_ALLOCATED
13205	SPAC_UNKNOWN_DIAGNOSTIC_COUNTER
13206	SPAC_INVALID_INDEX_RANGE
13207	SPAC_INVALID_RT_ATTRIBUTE_VALUE
13208	SPAC_UNKNOWN_SPA_ATTRIBUTE
13209	SPAC_ILLEGAL_APPLICATION_FOR_OPERATION
13210	SPAC_ATTRIBUTE_IS_WRITE_ONLY
13211	SPAC_ILLEGAL_BROADCAST_ACTION
13212	SPAC_UNEXPECTED_RESPONSE
13213	SPAC_INVALID_ATTRIBUTE_VALUE
13214	SPAC_CHAR_TYPE_EXPECTED
13215	SPAC_INTERNAL_ERROR

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13216	SPAC_INVALID_POINT_DEFINITION
13217	SPAC_DATABASE_UPDATE_COMPLETED
13218	SPAC_TOO_MANY_ARGUMENTS
13219	SPAC_ARGUMENT_EXPECTED
13220	SPAC_UNABLE_TO_ALLOCATE_MEMORY
13221	SPAC_POINT_DEFINITION_NOT_FOUND
13222	SPAC_NO_ACKNOWLEDGE_RESPONSE
13223	SPAC_UNEXPECTED_VALUE_TYPE
13224	SPAC_ILLEGAL_OBJECT_TYPE
13225	SPAC_ONLY_WRITE_IS_POSSIBLE
13226	SPAC_NO_ACKNOWLEDGE_REPLY
13227	SPAC_EVENT_DATA_DISCREPANCY_DETECTED
13251	SPAP_DEVICE_SUSPENDED
13252	SPAP_DEVICE_STOPPED
13253	SPAP_DEVICE_STARTED
13254	SPAP_OUT_OF_BUFFERS
13255	SPAP_TIMEOUT_WHILE_WAITING_RESPONSE
13256	SPAP_UNEXPECTED_BC_REPLY
13257	SPAP_BROADCAST_FAILURE
13258	SPAP_DATABASE_UPDATE_COMPLETED
17201	SPCP_TIMEOUT_WHILE_WAITING_CTS
17202	SPCP_CTS_LINE_FAILURE WHILE TRANSM
17203	SPCP_REDUNDANCY_ERRORS_IN_RESPONSE
17205	SPCP_TIMEOUT_WHILE_WAITING_RESPONSE
17211	SPPC_INVALID_ATTRIBUTE_VALUE

**Node level:**

14016	NETW_UNKNOWN_DESTINATION_DEVICE
14018	NETW_UNKNOWN_DEVICE_ATTRIBUTE

**5.5.2.13 cpiSendSpaMessage**

This function sends an ACP formatted message to SYS600 from SPA. Before using this function, the message buffer must be reserved by using the function `cpiGetTransmissionBuffer` and formatted by using some of the `cpiPutXXXData` functions presented in [Section 5.6.2](#). (Notation XXX means that any function of this type is available.)

```
int cpiSendSpaMessage(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, cpiMsgID ID, int TIMEOUT);
DESTIN           Destination connection number
SOURCE           Source SPA number
ID               Message buffer identification
TIMEOUT          Waiting time for the base system reply in milliseconds,
                  0-> no time-out supervision
```

**Return values:**

0	: OK
-2	: Invalid MsgID

### 5.5.2.14 cpiSendSpaBitStream3

This function updates a bitstream process object in the base system process database.

```
int cpiSendSpaBitStream3(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int ADDR, int LEN, char STREAM[], int STATUS, int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source SPA number
ADDR	Address of the process object
LEN	Length of bitstream in bits
STREAM	Array of bits stored on the char array (Bitstream begins from bit 0 of first char)
STATUS	Status code for data (0 = OK)
TIMEOUT	Timeout in milliseconds
FLAGS	Status flags of the pulse counter

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: Buffer full, the length of the bit stream is too long

### 5.5.2.15 cpiSendSpaBitStream3WithTS

This function updates a bitstream process object in the base system process database. Timestamp of the process object is updated with a given time.

```
int cpiSendSpaBitStream3(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int ADDR, int LEN, char STREAM[], int STATUS, cpiTime TS, int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source SPA number
ADDR	Address of the process object
LEN	Length of bitstream in bits
STREAM	Array of bits stored on the char array (Bitstream begins from bit 0 of first char)
STATUS	Status code for data (0 = OK)
TS	Timestamp
TIMEOUT	Timeout in milliseconds
FLAGS	Status flags of the pulse counter

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: Buffer full, the length of the bit stream is too long

### 5.5.2.16 cpiSendBufferedSpaIndicationWithTS

This function sends an indication value with timestamp to the base system process database. The indication is marked with BE\_SUBITEM, which can be used to indicate that the data has been buffered in the application.

```
int cpiSendSpaBufferedIndicationWithTS(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, int BIT,int VAL, cpiTime TS, int STATUS, int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source SPA number
BLOCK	Object address of process object
BIT	Bit number destination word (0..15)
VAL	VAL Value of bit 0,1 for single indications,10,11,12,13 for double indications
BVAL	16 bit value
TS	Timestamp
TIMEOUT	Timeout in ms;
STATUS	Status code for data (0= ok)

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: buffer full, the filling of the ACP message failed
-13	: cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: connection waiting -The sending failed because the reply to the previously sent message has not been received
-22	: Invalid value

### 5.5.2.17 cpiSendSpaBufferedIndicationBlockWithTS

This function sends an indication value block with timestamp to the base system process database. The indication is marked with BE\_SUBITEM, which can be used to indicate that the data has been buffered in the application.

```
int cpiSendSpaBufferedIndicationBlockWithTS(int DESTIN, int SOURCE, int BLOCK, int BVAL, cpiTime TS, int STATUS, int TIMEOUT, cpiMsgID *ID);
```

DESTIN	Destination connection number
SOURCE	Source SPA number
BLOCK	Object address of process object
BVAL	16 bit value
TS	Timestamp
TIMEOUT	Timeout in ms;
STATUS	Status code for data (0= ok)

Return values:

0	: OK
-7	: buffer full, the filling of the ACP message failed
-13	: cannot get buffer for transmission message
-20	: connection waiting -The sending failed because the reply to the previously sent message has not been received
-22	: Invalid value

## 5.6 Generic ACP packet building

All of the functions for sending RTU or SPA process data presented in the previous section can be done manually by using the following functions. It is possible to build up messages with them also for special purposes, usually when the functions needed do not exist. This can occur, for example, when several analog values need to be sent in a single message.

Before any of the following packet building functions can be called, the buffer where the message is going to be built up must be reserved by using the cpiGetTransmissionBuffer function.

### 5.6.1 Message header information

In order to be able to emulate a conventional NET unit operation, the following functions can be freely used for setting the logical destination and source.

Table 12: Message header source

Function	Description
cpiPutSource	Sets the logical source of the message.
cpiPutDestination	Sets the logical destination of the message.

#### 5.6.1.1 cpiPutSource

With this function the logical source of the message can be set.

```
int cpiPutSource(cpiMsgID id, int SOURCE)
SOURCE           SOURCE Source logical device, the following macro should be used to
                  calculate the value LOGICAL_ADDRESS(deviceType, deviceNumber)

Example:
;Setting the logical source for NET1:
cpiPutSource(id, LOGICAL_ADDRESS(NET_DEVICE,1));
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-5	: Unknown Message ID

#### 5.6.1.2 cpiPutDestination

With this function the logical destination of the message can be set.

```
int cpiPutDestination(cpiMsgID id, int DESTINATION)
DESTINATION          Destination logical device, the following macro should be used to calculate
                      the value LOGICAL_ADDRESS(deviceType,deviceNumber)

Example:
;Setting the logical destination for APL1:
cpiPutSource(id, LOGICAL_ADDRESS(APL_DEVICE,1));
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-5	: Unknown Message ID

## 5.6.2 Data filling functions

The ACP message can be filled with the process data by using the following functions.

*Table 13: Data filling functions*

Function	Description
cpiPutData	Puts data to the ACP message.
cpiPutRtuData	Puts the process data with status to the ACP message.
cpiPutRtuDataWithoutStatus	Puts the process data without status to the ACP message.
cpiPutRtuDataWithTS	Puts the process data with timestamp to the ACP message.



The object type determines also the type of the value. If the object type is 0=NO\_OBJECT\_TYPE, the type of the value is free.

### 5.6.2.1 cpiPutData

Puts data to the ACP message (See [Table 5](#) and file cpi.h).

```
int cpiPutData(cpiMsgID id, cpiData *data)
```

### 5.6.2.2 cpiPutRtuData

This function adds the process data with status to the ACP message.

```
int cpiPutRtuData (cpiMsgID ID, cpiObjectType OT, int BLOCK, cpiData VAL, int STATUS);
ID                  Identification number for message
OT                  Object type of RTU process object
BLOCK              Object address of RTU process object
                  (1 ... 255)
VAL                Value for process object
TS                 Time stamp
STATUS             Status code
                  0 -> OK
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-2	: Invalid MsgID
-7	: Message buffer is full, adding the data has not succeeded

### 5.6.2.3 cpiPutRtuDataWithoutStatus

This function adds the process data without status to the ACP message.

int cpiPutRtuDataWithoutStatus(cpiMsgID ID, cpiObjectType OT, int BLOCK, cpiData VAL);	
ID	Identification number for message
OT	Object type of RTU process object
BLOCK	Object address of RTU process object (1 ... 255)
VAL	Value for process object
TS	Time stamp
STATUS	Status code 0 -> OK

Return values:

0	: OK
-2	: Invalid MsgID
-7	: Message buffer is full, adding the data has not succeeded

### 5.6.2.4 cpiPutRtuDataWithTS

This function adds the process data with timestamp to the ACP message.

int cpiPutRtuDataWithTS (cpiMsgID ID, cpiObjectType OT, int BLOCK, cpiData VAL, cpiTime TS, int STATUS);	
ID	Identification number for message
OT	Object type of RTU process object
BLOCK	Object address of RTU process object (1 ... 255)
VAL	Value for process object
TS	Time stamp
STATUS	Status code 0 -> OK

Return values:

0	: OK
-2	: Invalid MsgID
-7	: Message buffer is full, adding the data has not succeeded

## 5.6.3 Reply status filling functions

Table 14: *Reply status filling functions*

Function	Description
cpiPutReplyStatus	Adds the status of the reply to the reply message.

### 5.6.3.1 cpiPutReplyStatus

The following function adds the status of the reply to the reply message. If the reply status is OK, there is no need to use this function.

```
int cpiPutReplyStatus (cpiMsgID ID, int STATUS);
ID           Identification number for message
STATUS        Status code
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-2	: invalid MsgID

## 5.7 ACP packet unpacking

The message received from the SYS600 base system can be unpacked by using the following functions.

### 5.7.1 Message header information

The following functions are used to read the header information of the received message. See also [Section 3.4](#).

Table 15: *Message header information*

Function	Description
cpiGetDestination	Reads the station address of the destination node from the message (CPI application node).
cpiGetSource	Reads the station address of the source node from the message (SYS600 node).
cpiGetRtuNo	Reads the station number from the message.
cpiGetAttribute	Reads the attribute from the message.
cpiGetIndex	Reads the index from the message.
cpiGetReplyStatus	Reads the reply status of the message.
cpiGetReplyDefinition	Reads the reply definition of the message.
cpiGetMessageType	Reads the type of the incoming message.
cpiGetMessageLength	Reads the length of the received message.
cpiGetDeviceType	Retrieves the logical device type message.
cpiGetDeviceNumber	Retrieves the logical device number message.

### 5.7.1.1 cpiGetDestination

This function reads the station address of the destination node from the message (CPI application node).

```
int cpiGetDestination( cpiMsgID ID, int *DESTIN);  
ID Identification number for the message  
DESTIN The CPI application node station address
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-5	: Invalid message buffer

### 5.7.1.2 cpiGetSource

This function reads the station address of the source node from the message (SYS600 node).

```
int cpiGetSource( cpiMsgID ID, int *SOURCE);  
ID Identification number for the message  
SOURCE Station address of the source
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-5	: Invalid message buffer

### 5.7.1.3 cpiGetRtuNo

This function checks which RTU station the message is meant to.

```
int cpiGetRtuNo(cpiMsgID ID, int *RTU);  
ID Identification number for the message  
RTU RTU number
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-5	: Invalid message buffer

### 5.7.1.4 cpiGetAttribute

This function reads the attribute of the message.

```
int cpiGetAttribute( cpiMsgID ID, char *ATTRIBUTE);  
ID Identification number for the message  
ATTRIBUTE Attribute of the message
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-5	: Invalid message buffer

### 5.7.1.5 cpiGetIndex

This function reads the index of the message.

```
int cpiGetIndex( cpiMsgID ID, int *FIRST, int *LAST);
ID           Identification number for the message
FIRST        First index of the message
LAST         Last index of the message
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-5	: Invalid message buffer

### 5.7.1.6 cpiGetReplyStatus

This function reads the reply status of the message.

```
int cpiGetReplyStatus( cpiMsgID ID, cpiMsgID *REPLYID, int *STATUS);
ID           Identification number for the message
REPLYID      Id of the reply message, which is a response for the sent message
STATUS        Status of the reply
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-5	: Invalid message buffer

### 5.7.1.7 cpiGetReplyDefinition

This function reads the reply definition of the message.

```
int cpiGetReplyDefinition(cpiMsgID ID, cpiMsgHeader *HEADER);
ID           Identification number for the message
HEADER       Header information of the message
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-5	: Invalid message buffer

### 5.7.1.8 cpiGetMessageType

This function reads the type of the message.

```
int cpiGetMessageType (cpiMsgID ID, int *MSGTYPE); 1=write, 2=read, 3=reply, 4= notification
ID                                Identification number for the message
MSGTYPE                           Type of the incoming message
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-5	: Invalid message buffer

### 5.7.1.9 cpiGetMessageLength

This function reads the length of the message.

```
int cpiGetMessageLength (cpiMsgID ID, int *LENGTH);
ID                                identification number for the message
LENGTH                           Length of the received message (the whole ACP message)
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-5	: Invalid message buffer

### 5.7.1.10 cpiGetDeviceType

A new function will be implemented to retrieve the logical device type message.

```
int cpiGetDeviceType (cpiMsgID *msg, int *deviceType)
```

Return values (constants defined in cpi.h):

APL_DEVICE = 1
NET_DEVICE = 2
RTU_DEVICE = 4
IEC_DEVICE = 29

### 5.7.1.11 cpiGetDeviceNumber

A new function will be implemented to retrieve the logical number message.

```
int cpiGetDeviceNumber (cpiMsgID *msg, int *deviceNumber)
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-1	: If fails

## 5.7.2 Data scanning functions

The data part of the message can be read with the following functions.

*Table 16: Data scanning functions*

Function	Description
cpiGetNextData	Reads the next data item from the received message.
cpiGetNextDataType	Reads the type of the next item in the message.
cpiGetNextS32Data	Reads the next item from the message.
cpiGetTimeData	Retrieves the time information from the message written in RTU_ATIME format.

### 5.7.2.1 cpiGetNextData

The following function reads the next data item from the received message. The function is used to read items one by one from the message to the cpiData structure. The function returns the value of the same type as the values in the message. Because the type of data may vary between messages, the type information of cpiData must be used when the data of the message is used by the CPI application program.

```
int cpiGetNextData (cpiMsgID ID, cpiData *VAL);
VAL           Value (structure!)
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-1	: Connection error, the reading of the next item from the message has failed. More detailed information can be read from the global variable <b>cpi_errno</b> . The explanations for cpi_errno values can be read from the Status Codes manual.
-2	: Invalid MsgID
-10	: No data items left in the buffer

### 5.7.2.2 cpiGetNextDataType

This function reads the type of the next item in the message. The function does not remove the item from the message.

```
int cpiGetNextDataType (cpiMsgID ID, cpiDataType *VAL);
VAL           Value
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-1	: Connection error, the reading of the next item from the message has failed for some reason. More detailed information can be read from the global variable <b>cpi_errno</b> . The explanation for cpi_errno values can be read from the Status Codes manual.
-2	: Invalid MsgID
-10	: No data items left in the buffer

### 5.7.2.3 cpiGetNextS32Data

The following function reads the next item from the message. The item is converted to the long type. The items of the binary type cannot be read by using this function.

```
int cpiGetNextS32Data (cpiMsgID ID, long *VAL);  
VAL  
VAL Value
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-1	: Connection error, the reading of the next item from the message has failed for some reason. More detailed information can be read from the global variable cpi_errno. The explanation for cpi_errno values can be read from the Status Codes manual.
-2	: Invalid MsgID
-10	: No data items left in the buffer

### 5.7.2.4 cpiGetTimeData

This function can be used to retrieve time information from the message written in RTU\_ATIME format.

```
int cpiGetTimeData (cpiMsg *msg, cpiTime *time);
```

Return values:

0	if ok
-1	if fails

## 5.7.3 RTU commands

### 5.7.3.1 General handling

This function can be used to read command data from the message.

Table 17: Data scanning functions

Function	Description
cpiGetNextAddrData	Reads the next Address Type item from the message

#### cpiGetNextAddrData

The following function reads the next Address Type item from the message. This can be used for unpacking the process commands from SYS600, which are sent via the process database. All of the commands that are sent via the SYS600 process database use the DA attribute and the Address Type data item. The data is divided into three parts: object type, object address and object value.

```
int cpiGetNextAddrData (cpiMsgID ID, cpiData *VAL);  
VAL  
Value (structure!)
```

Return values:

0 : OK	: OK
-1 :	: Connection error, the reading of the next item from the message has failed. More detailed information can be read from the global variable <b>cpi_errno</b> . The explanations for cpi_errno values can be read from the Status Codes manual.
-2	: Invalid MsgID
-10	: No data items left in the buffer

**Example of use:**

```

cpiGetAttribute(id, AT);
if (!strcmp(AT,"DA"))
/* compare AT to see if it is DA = command via process database*/
{
    i = 0;
    printf("DA message received \n");
    while(cpiGetNextAddrData (id, &data) == 0) {
        printf(" OT = %d", data.value.ADDR.ObjectType );
        printf(" OA = %d", data.value.ADDR.ObjectAddress);
        printf(" OV = %d\n", data.value.ADDR.ObjectValue);
        switch(data.value.ADDR.ObjectType) {
        case cpiOBJECT_COMMAND:
            printf("Object Command received\n");
            switch(data.value.ADDR.ObjectValue) {
                case 0: printf("IMMEDIATE COMMAND OFF \n"); break;
                case 1: printf("IMMEDIATE COMMAND ON \n"); break;
                case 16: printf("INHIBIT COMMAND \n"); break;
                case 17: printf("CHECK BACK COMMAND \n"); break;
                case 32: printf("EXECUTE COMMAND OFF \n"); break;
                case 33: printf("EXECUTE COMMAND ON \n"); break;
            }
            break;
        case cpiANALOG_SETPOINT:
            printf("Analog Setpoint received\n");
            break;
        }
    }
}

```

**5.7.3.2 RTU object command handling**

The (byte) value received when a command is activated is byte coded as shown in [Table 18](#) (see also the example of use in [Section 5.7.3.1](#)):

*Table 18: The received values and descriptions*

Object Command	Status	High Nibble Value	Low Nibble Value
IMMEDIATE COMMAND		0	
	ON		1
	OFF		0
CHECK BACK COMMAND		1	
	INHIBIT		0
	CHECK BACK		1
EXECUTE COMMAND		2	
	ON		1
	OFF		0

*Table 19: Regulation commands*

Object Command	Status		
IMMEDIATE COMMAND		0	1 / 0
COMMAND STOP		3	Ignored

### 5.7.3.3 RTU analog setpoint handling

The value of the analog setpoint is stored into the ObjectValue field of the cpiData structure.

## 5.8 Communication supervision

*Table 20: Communication supervision*

Function	Description
cpiConnectionStatus	Checks the status of an application connection.

### 5.8.1 cpiConnectionStatus

This function checks the status of an application connection. It also returns the status code of the last reply message, if it is rejected by the base system.

```
int cpiConnectionStatus (int DESTIN);
DESTIN           Connection number of the destination
```

Return values:

0	: OK
1	: Waiting connection
others	: Refer to the Status Codes manual

## 5.9 Buffer management

The following functions reserve buffers for different message types.

*Table 21: Buffer management*

Function	Description
cpiGetTransmissionBuffer	Reserves a buffer for transmission.
cpiGetReplyBuffer	Reserves a buffer for a reply message transmission.
cpiGetDefinedReplyBuffer	Reserves a buffer for a reply message.
cpiGetNotificationBuffer	Reserves a buffer for a notification message.

### 5.9.1 cpiGetTransmissionBuffer

This function reserves a buffer for transmission. The function returns with an error status if the transmission queue is full or if the failed transmission queue contains messages. The length of the transmission queue is 1 in this version, so the previously sent message must get a reply from the base system before a new buffer can be reserved.

```
int cpiGetTransmissionBuffer(int CON, cpiMsgID *ID);
CON           Connection number of the destination
ID            Id for a message buffer
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-13	: No buffers left
-20	: Connection is still waiting for a reply for the previously sent message

## 5.9.2 cpiGetReplyBuffer

This function reserves a buffer for a reply message transmission. It is used when it is possible to send the reply message back to the base system immediately.

```
int cpiGetReplyBuffer(cpiMsgID RQ, cpiMsgID *ID);
RQ           Id of the message which is a response for the sent message
ID            Id for a reply message
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-13	: No buffers left
-15	: Invalid source ID

## 5.9.3 cpiGetDefinedReplyBuffer

This function reserves a buffer for a reply message. It is used when the reply message cannot immediately be sent back to the base system.

```
int cpiGetDefinedReplyBuffer(cpiMsgHeader *HEADER, cpiMsgID *ID);
HEADER        Header data of the message to which this message is a reply
ID           Id for a reply message
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-13	: no buffers left

## 5.9.4 cpiGetNotificationBuffer

This function reserves a buffer for a notification message. It is used to send system status messages to the base system.

```
int cpiGetNotificationBuffer(int CON, cpiMsgID *ID);
CON           Destination connection
ID            Id for reply message
```

Return values:

```

0          : OK
-13        : No buffers left

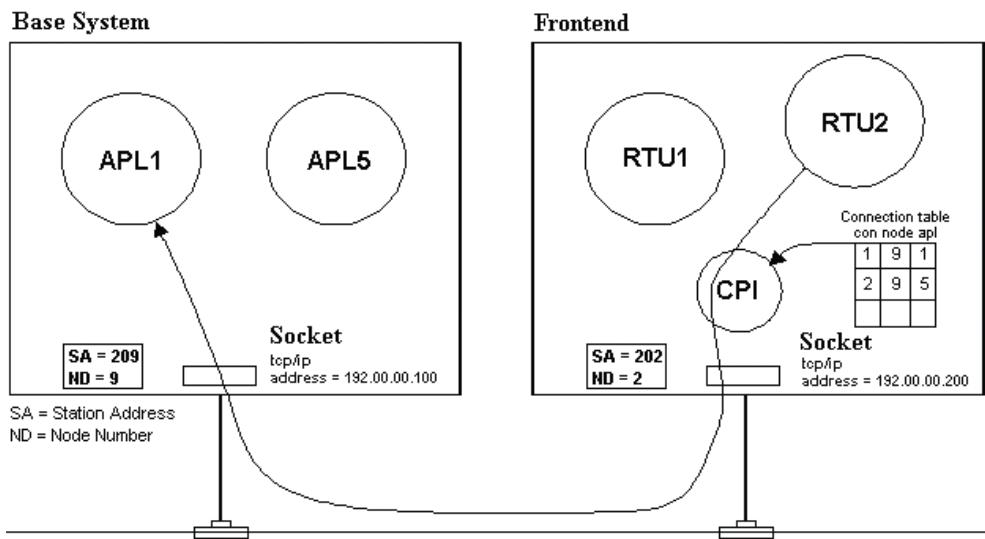
```

## 5.10 Initializations

*Table 22: Initializations*

Function	Description
cpiInitThisNode	Initialises data of this node.
cpiInitRemoteNode	Gives information of the SYS600 node to CPI.
cpiCreateConnection	Creates a connection and starts the communication between CPI and SYS600.
cpiCloseConnection	Removes the connection between CPI and SYS600.

These functions initialize the TCP/IP connections between the SYS600 applications and the CPI application program. [Figure 6](#) explains what kind of initialization is needed when connecting CPI to SYS600.



*Figure 6: Initialisation needed when connecting CPI to SYS600.*

Example of initialization needed for CPI:

```

basesystem.sin_family = AF_INET;
basesystem.sin_port = SPIDERSERVER;
strcpy(&basesystem.sin_addr,"192.00.00.100");

cpiInitThisNode(202, 2);
cpiInitRemoteNode(basesystem, 209, 9);
cpiCreateConnection(9, 1, &con1);
cpiCreateConnection(9, 5, &con2);

```

CPI sends an analog value from RTU2 to application 1 by using the following function:

```
cpiSendAnalogValue(con1, 2, block, val, status, &ID);
```

### 5.10.1 cpiInitThisNode

This function initializes the data of this node.

```
int cpilInitThisNode(cpiNodeAddress SA, cpiNodeNumber NA);
SA           Node address of this socket (1...254).
NA           Node number of this socket (1...250)
```

**Return values:**

0	: OK
-26	: Invalid data

## 5.10.2 cpilInitRemoteNode

This function gives information of the SYS600 node to CPI.

```
int cpilInitRemoteNode(cpiTCPIPAddress TA, cpiNodeAddress NA, cpiNodeNumber NN);
TA           SYS600 TCP/IP address
NA           Node address of SYS600 socket (1...254)
NN           Node number of SYS600 (1...250)
```

**Return values:**

0	: OK
-1	: Connection error
-8	: Invalid address
-14	: Invalid node
-17	: Invalid tcp address

## 5.10.3 cpiCreateConnection

This function creates a connection and starts the communication between CPI and SYS600.

```
int cpiCreateConnection(cpiNodeNumber NN, int AN, int *CN);
NN           Node number of SYS600
AN           Application number in SYS600, where this connection is created.
CN           Connection number. This return value is used as a destination number when
           sending messages to SYS600.
```

**Return values:**

0	: OK
-1	: Connection error
-14	: Invalid node number

## 5.10.4 cpiCloseConnection

This function removes the connection between CPI and SYS600.

```
int cpiCloseConnection(int CN);  
CN Connection number
```

Return values:

0	: OK
-1	: Connection error, invalid connection number

## 5.11 Bitset functions

The following functions are used to handle the bitset data type. The bitset data type is used in the cpiSelect function.

Table 23: Bitset functions

Function	Description
cpiSET	Sets one bit in a bit set.
cpiCLR	Clears one bit from a bit set.
cpiISSET	Checks the value of one bit and returns it.

### 5.11.1 cpiSET

This function sets one bit in the bit set.

```
int cpiSET(int BIT, cpiBitSet *BITSET)  
BIT A number of bit which is set to 1, (0 = first bit)  
BITSET Bitmask to use with cpiSelect
```

Return values:

0	: If the tested bit does not belong to the bitset
1	: If the tested bit belongs to the bitset

### 5.11.2 cpiCLR

This function clears one bit from the bit set.

```
int cpiCLR(int BIT, cpiBitSet *BITSET)  
BIT A number of bit which is cleared to 0, (0 = first bit)  
BITSET Bitmask to use with cpiSelect
```

Return values:

0	: If the tested bit does not belong to the bitset
1	: If the tested bit belongs to the bitset

### 5.11.3 cpiISSET

This function checks the value of one bit and then returns it.

```
int cpISSET(int BIT, cpiBitSet *BITSET)
BIT           A number of bit whose state is tested
BITSET        Tested bit mask
```

**Return values:**

0	: If the tested bit does not belong to the bitset
1	: If the tested bit belongs to the bitset



# Section 6      Support for System Configuration Tool

This section provides instructions on how to provide support for the CPI communication protocol configuration in the System Configuration Tool.



When using the System Configuration Tool for configuring the CPI application program, the SYS600 base system revision needs to be 8.4.3 or newer.

## Definitions:

- Configuration attribute: a value that is stored into the permanent protocol configuration file by the System Configuration Tool. This value is later utilised when the CPI application protocol is started in SYS600.
- Attribute definitions: the information about all the CPI configuration attributes. It includes names, data types, data structures, description texts, help texts and description texts for different attribute values of all CPI configuration attributes to be used by the System Configuration Tool.

## 6.1 Dependencies on other systems

The base system and communication system are configured during system start-up by using the functionality included in the System Configuration Tool. The CPI application program utilizes its own permanent protocol configuration file during start-up. For more information about base system configuration, see [Section 3](#).

## 6.2 Functionality

The included CPI protocols are recognised from the SYS600 computer in System Configuration Tool based on following requirement:

Under \sc\prog folder, each sub-folder is assumed to be named according to the CPI application program, if

- it includes the permanent protocol configuration file named **Config.ini**.
- it includes the attribute definitions file named **Attr\_Def.scl**.
- it includes the attribute mappings file named **Attr\_Map.ini**.

The station type to be attached into the CPI protocol communication line is either RTU or SPA.

The CPI application program, i.e. the executable file, may either exist in the same computer where the System Configuration Tool is running or on an external computer. However, the permanent protocol configuration file, attribute definitions and mappings files need to exist in a sub-folder under the \sc\prog folder on the same computer where the System Configuration Tool is being used. If the CPI application program is running on an external computer, one of its drives can be mapped through LAN to the computer in which SYS600 is running. Through this kind of drive mapping, the files for configuring CPI application program are located only in the SYS600 computer. The protocol to be used for the CPI application program is concluded from the sub-folder name under the \sc\prog folder.

[Figure 7](#) shows the MODBUS SLAVE communication protocol included in system configuration. The folder `\sc\prog\modbus_slave` exists in SYS600 computer, where the System Configuration Tool is located. The name of the protocol is displayed as MODBUS SLAVE in the object tree (the included underscore character is removed and the sub-folder name is uppercased).



*Figure 7: The CPI protocol in the Object Tree of the System Configuration Tool*

The permanent protocol configuration file must be named **Config.ini**. This file contains the configuration parameters to be used by the CPI application program. The format of this file follows the Windows Initialisation File Format specification. Those parameters, which are shown and configured in the System Configuration Tool as a property of the CPI communication line, should be included under the section name Configuration.

The attribute definitions file must be named **Attr\_Def.scl**. This file contains e.g. limit values and descriptions for the configuration parameters to be used by the System Configuration Tool. The format of the file follows the SCIL syntax.

## 6.3 Permanent protocol configuration file

The format of this file follows the Windows Initialisation File Format specification. All the configuration attributes, that are needed to be shown in the System Configuration Tool, need to exist as key names and values under the section name Configuration. Other section names may be used to store CPI application program related information, which is not needed to be shown in the System Configuration Tool.

```
[Configuration]
key_name_1=key value 1
key_name_2=key value 2
...
key_name_n=key name i
[Section_name_2]
key_name_1=key value 1
key_name_2=key value 2
...
key_name_n=key name n
...
[Section_name_m]
key_name_1=key value 1
key_name_2=key value 2
...
key_name_n=key name n
```

The key name is the same as the attribute name in the Attribute definitions file Attr\_Def.scl.

### 6.3.1 Example of Config.ini

```
[Configuration]
own_node_number=4
own_station_number=204
base_system_node_number=9
base_system_station_number=209
tcp_ip_address=194.142.148.36
```

```
application_number=1
communication_port_name=COM1
baud_rate=9600
parity=0
stop_bit_count=0
data_bit_count=8
flow_control=0
```

## 6.4 Attribute definitions file

The format of each attribute definition follows the SCIL syntax. The following common definitions are valid for all data types:

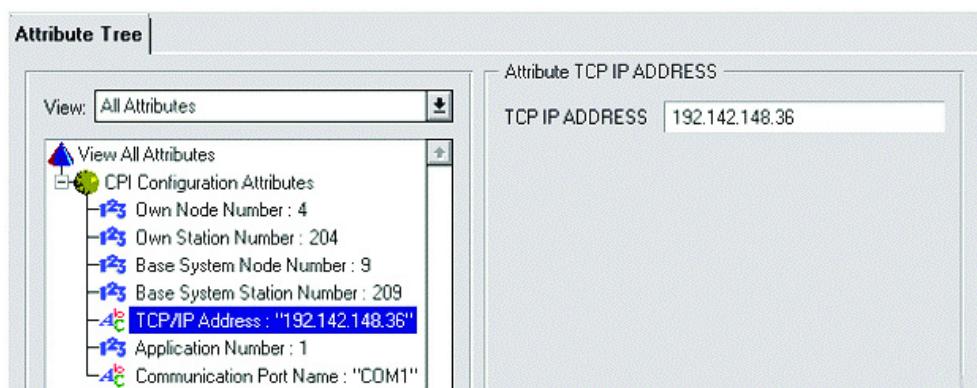
```
<Attribute name> = LIST(-
    data_type=<attribute data type>,-
    modifiable=<attribute editable>,-
    descriptive_text=<name text for attribute>,-
    default_value=<default value for attribute>,-
    help_text=<help text for attribute>)
```

The name of the attribute is unique for all the CPI configuration attributes. All spaces must be replaced with the underscore character. For example, the attribute TCP/IP Address is presented as TCP\_IP\_ADDRESS as valid CPI attribute name for the System Configuration Tool.

Possible data types for the attributes are:

- Integer
- Real
- Text
- Time
- Boolean

If an attribute is modifiable, the value is TRUE. Otherwise the attribute value is FALSE. If the attribute is defined to be modifiable, its value can be edited in the edit area of the System Configuration Tool. If the attribute is non-modifiable, the editing of the attribute is disabled in the edit area of the System Configuration Tool. [Figure 8](#) shows the Attribute Tree of the System Configuration Tool, where all the CPI attributes are included in the View named All Attributes and under a group name CPI Configuration Attributes.



*Figure 8: The Attribute Tree and Edit area of the System Configuration Tool*

The Attribute Tree uses descriptive text. When a CPI attribute has been selected in the object tree, the Status bar (in [Figure 9](#)) displays the help text at the bottom of the System Configuration Tool.

Specifies the TCP/IP address to be used in CPI application protocol program.

*Figure 9: The Status bar*

A default value is utilised for an attribute, when the CPI application protocol is added into the System Configuration Tool. It is possible for to change the attribute value according to its attribute definitions by using the edit area.

## 6.4.1 Definitions for different attribute data types

*Table 24: Integer*

INTEGER		
Attribute definition	Description data type	Example
Data_type	TEXT	"INTEGER"
Min_value	INTEGER	1
Max_value	INTEGER	7
Modifiable	BOOLEAN	TRUE
Special_values	VECTOR of INTEGERs	(1, 3, 7)*
Value_descriptions	VECTOR of TEXTs	("Not in Use", "Synchronised", "Asynchronous")*
Descriptive_text	TEXT	"Example Integer Attribute"
Default_value	INTEGER	3
Help_text	TEXT	"This is an example of an integer attribute."

*Table 25: Real*

REAL		
Attribute definition	Description data type	Example
Data_type	TEXT	"REAL"
Min_value	REAL	1.0
Max_value	REAL	1.5
Modifiable	BOOLEAN	TRUE
Descriptive_text	TEXT	"Example Real Attribute"
Default_value	REAL	1.1
Help_text	TEXT	"This is an example of a real attribute."

*Table 26: Text*

TEXT		
Attribute definition	Description data type	Example
Data_type	TEXT	"TEXT"
Min_length	INTEGER	4
Max_length	INTEGER	5
Modifiable	BOOLEAN	TRUE
Table continues on next page		

Descriptive_text	TEXT	"Example Text Attribute"
Default_value	TEXT	"COM1"
Help_text	TEXT	"This is an example of a text attribute."

Table 27: Time

TIME		
Attribute definition	Description data type	Example
Data_type	TEXT	"TIME"
Min_value	TIME	Pack_time(1978,1,1,0,0,0)**
Max_value	TIME	Pack_time(2045,12,31,23,59,59)**
Modifiable	BOOLEAN	TRUE
Descriptive_text	TEXT	"Example Time Attribute"
Default_value	TIME	Pack_time(1999,12,20,12,0,0)**
Help_text	TEXT	"This is an example of a time attribute."

Table 28: Boolean

BOOLEAN		
Attribute definition	Description data type	Example
Data_type	TEXT	"BOOLEAN"
Modifiable	BOOLEAN	TRUE
Descriptive_text	TEXT	"Example Boolean Attribute"
Default_value	BOOLEAN	TRUE
Help_text	TEXT	"This is an example of a boolean attribute."

\* The VECTOR data type can be recognised from the parentheses around the enumerated INTEGER or TEXT values. If only one item is included in the VECTOR, there is a need to specifically use the VECTOR statement around the attribute value, VECTOR(1)

\*\* The PACK\_STR is a SCIL function, which can be used to convert the year/month/day and hour/minute/seconds representation to the TIME data type format of SCIL. E.g.  
PACK\_STR(YEAR, MONTH, DAY,HOUR,MINUTE,SECOND).

## 6.4.2 Example of Attr\_Def.scl

```
#create GL_ATTRIBUTES:V = LIST(-
  OWN_NODE_NUMBER = LIST(-
    data_type="INTEGER", -
    min_value=1, -
    max_value=99, -
    modifiable=TRUE, -
    descriptive_text="Own Node Number", -
    default_value=4, -
    help_text="Specifies the own node number to be
    used in CPI application program."), -
  OWN_STATION_NUMBER = LIST(-
    data_type="INTEGER", -
    min_value=1, -
    max_value=255, -
    modifiable=TRUE, -
```

```
descriptive_text="Own Station Number",-
default_value=204,-
help_text="Specifies the own station number to
be used in CPI application program."),-

BASE_SYSTEM_NODE_NUMBER = LIST(-
    data_type="INTEGER",-
    min_value=1,-
    max_value=99,-
    modifiable=TRUE,-
    descriptive_text="Base System Node Number",-
    default_value=9,-
    help_text="Specifies the base system node number
to be used in CPI application program."),-

BASE_SYSTEM_STATION_NUMBER = LIST(-
    data_type="INTEGER",-
    min_value=1,-
    max_value=255,-
    modifiable=TRUE,-
    descriptive_text="Base System Station Number",-
    default_value=209,-
    help_text="Specifies the base system station
number to be used in CPI application program."),-

TCP_IP_ADDRESS = LIST(-
    data_type="TEXT",-
    min_length=7,-
    max_length=15,-
    modifiable=TRUE,-
    descriptive_text="TCP/IP Address",-
    default_value="192.142.148.36",-,
    help_text="Specifies the TCP/IP address to be
used in CPI application program."),-

APPLICATION_NUMBER = LIST(-
    data_type="INTEGER",-
    min_value=1,-
    max_value=99,-
    modifiable=TRUE,-
    descriptive_text="Application Number",-
    default_value=1,-
    help_text="Specifies the application number,
where CPI application program is running."),-

COMMUNICATION_PORT_NAME = LIST(-
    data_type="TEXT",-
    min_length=4,-
    max_length=5,-
    modifiable=TRUE,-
    descriptive_text="Communication Port Name",-
    default_value="COM1",-
    help_text="Specifies the communication port
name, which CPI application program is
utilising."))

#return %GL_ATTRIBUTES
```



The format of this file needs to follow the SCIL syntax. There is always a risk that due to a typing error the Attr\_Def.scl file is not applicable to the SCIL syntax. In the SCIL Editor, it is possible to define the Syntax Check mechanism into use automatically during the saving operation by selecting Options – Check Syntax at Save. Therefore, the editing this file should be done by using the SCIL Editor.

## 6.5 Attribute mappings file

The section name refers to the SYS600 object where the attribute name belongs.

[NODE]	Base System Node Object	(NOD:B)
[NODE_LINK]	Communication Line Object	(NET:S)
[STATION]	Communication Station Object	(STA:S)

The key name in this file is the same as the attribute name in the attribute definitions file, as well as the key name in the permanent protocol configuration file. The key value in this file represents the two-char attribute name to be used for defining the property to the SYS600 object.

For example, if a key name own\_station\_number with a key value SA exists inside the NODE section, it means that the configuration attribute is referenced to the NOD'n':BSA attribute in SYS600, where 'n' equals the node number object.

### 6.5.1 Example Attr\_Map.ini

```
[NODE]
own_station_number=SA
[NODE_LINK]
communication_port_name=SD
baud_rate=BR
stop_bit_count=SB
[STATION]
in_use=IU
```



# Section 7 Terminology

Term	Description
Application Communication Protocol (ACP)	An internal protocol of SYS600 that is generally used in communication between the SYS600 nodes.
ACP Message	Communication between the SYS600 nodes is implemented by using ACP. It supports three types of message dialogs: write commands, read commands and notifications.
Attribute	Individual data items that form a part of an object are called attributes. Each object has a set of attributes that store information and describe the qualities of the object. Attributes contain, for example measured values, texts, program lines, time stamps etc. depending on the object type.
Base System	The Base System offers services to the applications. It provides database structures, database handling mechanisms and file handling functionality. The Base System also offers an application programming interface for attaching functions as separate programs.
BSD Socket	Socket interface defined in the Unix version developed by Berkeley Software.
Communication Programming Interface (CPI) and CPI Library	Protocol environment software that is used for externally implemented protocol converters. The CPI Library is a collection of functions for sending and receiving message to or from the SYS600 base system, as well as functions for packing and unpacking data of messages.
CPI Application Program	In some cases called a Gateway program. An application program made by using the CPI interface exchanges data between SYS600 and a foreign system. It emulates the NET containing stations of the RTU, SPA or SPI device type.
Communication System	Handles the data transmission in the SYS600 system as well as between the devices. The communication can be divided into upper level communication and process communication.
Local Area Network	Used for upper level communication between the base system and workplaces. It has a large capacity for data transmission.
Message Buffer	A place in the memory to store the ACP messages to or from the SYS600 base system. The CPI Buffer Management functions reserve buffers for different message types.
NET	SYS600 communication unit.
NET Emulation	A CPI application program that resembles the behavior of the NET unit./
Node	Communication object in SYS600, for example, the SYS600 base system or a CPI application program.
Node Number	A unique identifier of a node.
Open System Connection (OSI)	A model for network architecture standardised by ISO.
Protocol	A protocol is a set of rules and conventions for transmitting information in the network. They govern the content, format, timing, sequencing and error control of messages.
RTU	Remote Terminal Unit
SCIL	A high level language especially designed for composing customized, process specific supervisory control software. Data transmission from the base system to the CPI application program is done by setting the attributes of the communication system objects or process objects.
SPA Device	A SPACOM module connected to SYS600 is seen as a SPA device.
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System Configuration Tool	Manages the configuration of the base system and the NET communication unit.
TCP/IP	Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol, used for data transmission in the LAN network to provide communication with several protocols across the connected networks of computers.
Thread	An independent part of the program that is active until it stops itself or it is stopped by the main program. Threads can be used to isolate tasks. Usually, a foreign protocol is implemented as a thread.

## Section 8 Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Description
ACP	Application Communication Protocol
Communication Programming Interface (CPI) and CPI Library	Communication Programming Interface, a protocol environment software that is used for externally implemented protocol converters. The CPI Library is a collection of functions for sending and receiving message to or from the SYS600 base system, as well as functions for packing and unpacking data of messages.
ISO	International Standards Organization
LAN	Local Area Network
OSI	Open System Interconnection
RTU	Remote Terminal Unit
SCIL	Supervisory Control Implementation Language
TCP/IP	Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol



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