# **Veronte Link**

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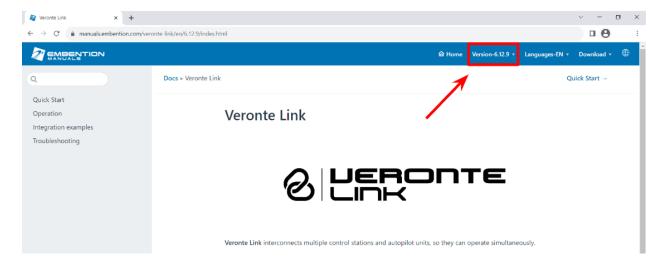


Veronte Link interconnects multiple control stations and autopilot units, so they can operate simultaneously.

**Important:** This app is **backwards compatible** as long as it matches the "major" version (versions are composed as major.minor.revision, e.g. 6.12.22), so users should always use the **last version** that is within the same "major" version.

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**CHAPTER** 

ONE

## **QUICK START**

**Veronte Link** establishes **communication between a computer and any Veronte product** by creating a **VCP bridge**. It allows to use multiple control stations and autopilots to be interconnected, operating simultaneously.

**Veronte Link** also includes a **post-flight viewer**, to reproduce all recorded data from previous flights and generate plots and reports.

**Veronte Link** supports **Windows operating system**.

Note: Windows 10 is recommended, but Windows 11 is supported.

# 1.1 System Requirements

Before executing this software, users should check the following sections with the minimum and recommended PC hardware requirements.

#### Minimum requirements

• CPU: Intel Core i5-8365UE

RAM: 8 GB DDR4STO: 256 GB SSD

#### **Recommended requirements**

• CPU: 12th Gen Intel(R) Core(TM) i7-12700H 14 cores up to 4,70 GHz

• RAM: 32,0 GB

• STO: 1TB SSD M.2 NVMe PCIe

## 1.2 Installation

Once a Veronte device has been purchased, a GitHub release should be created for the customer with the application.

To access to the release and download the software, read the Releases section of the **Joint Collaboration Framework** manual.

To install Veronte Link on Windows, execute Veronte Link.exe and follow the indications of the Setup Wizard.

Warning: In case of any issue during installation, please disable Windows Defender and Firewall. To disable Firewall, go to "Control Panel" and "Firewall of windows", then click on Turn off. Windows Defender Firewall ← → ✓ ↑ 💣 > Control Panel > System and Security > Windows Defender Firewall ∨ ひ Search Control Panel Help protect your PC with Windows Defender Firewall Control Panel Home Windows Defender Firewall can help to prevent hackers or malicious software from gaining access to your PC Allow an app or feature through Windows Defender Firewall through the Internet or a network. Private networks Not connected Change notification settings Turn Windows Defender Firewall on or off Guest or public networks Connected 6 Restore defaults Networks in public places such as airports or cafés Advanced settings Windows Defender Firewall state: Troubleshoot my network Block all connections to applications that are not on the list of allowed applications ₩ Red Active public networks: Notification state: Notify me when Windows Defender Firewall blocks a new app See also Security and Maintenance Network and Sharing Centre Fig. 1: Windows Defender Firewall ← → ▼ ↑ 💣 > Control Panel > System and Security > Windows Defender Firewall > Customise Settings ∨ ひ Search Control Panel Customise settings for each type of network You can modify the firewall settings for each type of network that you use. Private network settings Turn on Windows Defender Firewall Block all incoming connections, including those in the list of allowed applications ✓ Notify me when Windows Defender Firewall blocks a new app Turn off Windows Defender Firewall (not recommended) Turn on Windows Defender Firewall Block all incoming connections, including those in the list of allowed applications ☑ Notify me when Windows Defender Firewall blocks a new app Turn off Windows Defender Firewall (not recommended) OK Cancel

Fig. 2: Windows Defender Firewall - Customize Settings

**CHAPTER** 

**TWO** 

## **ADDITIONAL APPS**

# 2.1 Veronte UDP Telemetry CLI



Fig. 1: Veronte UDP Telemetry CLI

**Veronte UDP Telemetry CLI** is an additional command-line tool which allows **Veronte Link** to send Autopilot 1x telemetry over UDP.

#### 2.1.1 Download

Once the **Veronte Autopilot 1x** has been purchased, a GitHub release should be created for the customer with the application.

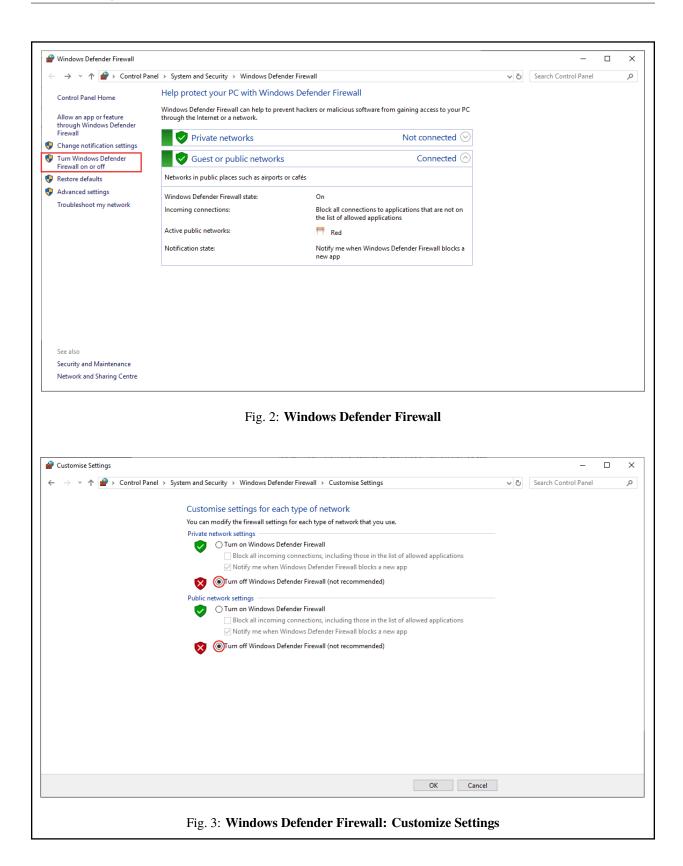
To access to the release and download the software, read the Releases section of the **Joint Collaboration Framework** manual.

## 2.1.2 Installation

To install **Veronte UDP Telemetry CLI** on Windows just execute "veronte-udp-telemetry-cli.exe" and follow the indications of the *Setup Wizard*.

**Warning:** If users have any problems with the installation, please disable the antivirus and the Windows firewall. Disabling the antivirus depends on the antivirus software.

To disable the firewall, go to "Control Panel"  $\rightarrow$  "System and Security"  $\rightarrow$  "Windows Defender Firewall" and then, click on "Turn windows Defender Firewall on or off".



## 2.1.3 Configuration

The following sections detail the steps to **configure** the Veronte system to transmit telemetry UDP messages through **Veronte UDP Telemetry CLI**, after it is installed.

#### 2.1.3.1 1x PDI Builder

First, in 1x PDI Builder, the intended variables to send must be added to the corresponding telemetry vector.

To do this:

- 1. Go to Telemetry menu  $\rightarrow$  **Telemetry panel**.
- 2. By clicking the corresponding button, add the desired telemetry variables to one of the telemetry vectors *Data to VApp*.

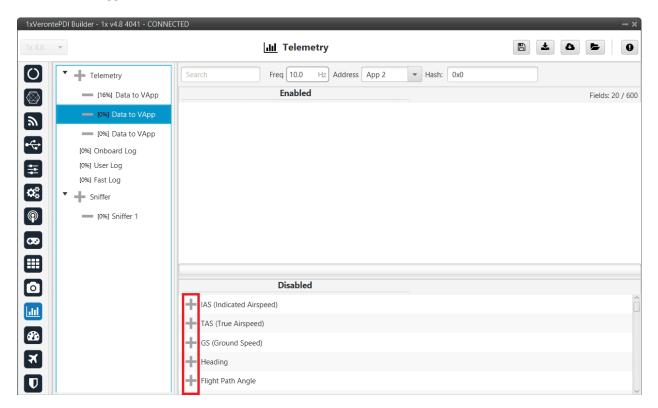


Fig. 4: Add variables

**Note:** For further information about this Telemetry menu, please refer to the Telemetry section of **1x PDI Builder** user manual.

- 3. Configure the *Data to VApp* vector where the variables have been added as follows:
  - Frequency: Desired frequency of data transmission
  - Address: App 2 (Veronte apps address)

**Note:** Hash parameter is not configurable, it is automatically calculated by the system based on the telemetry vector configured by the user. It is a hexadecimal representation of the CRC of the fieldset.

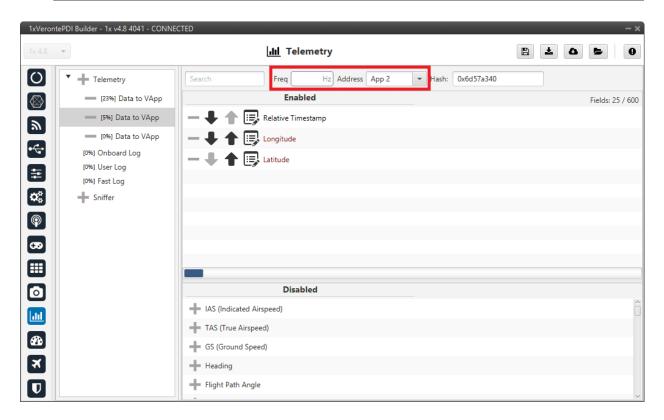


Fig. 5: Data vector parameters

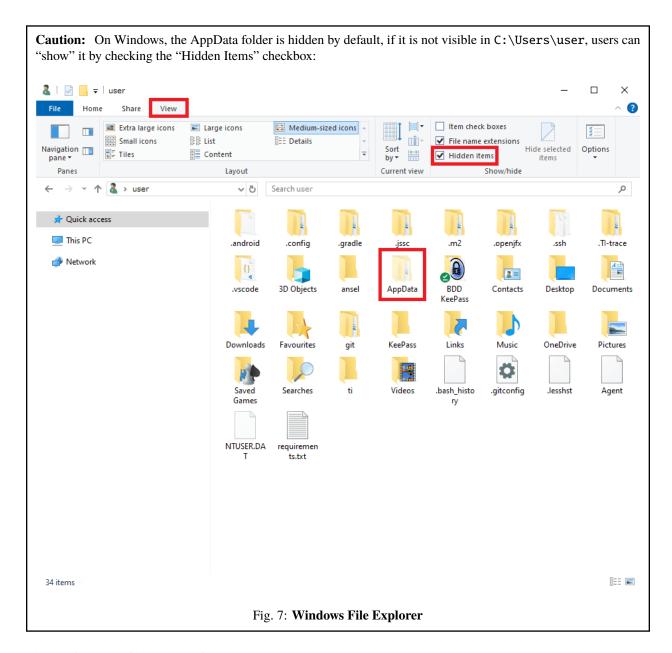
4. Save the changes by clicking button.

## 2.1.3.2 Veronte UDP Telemetry CLI

**Veronte UDP Telemetry CLI** has a configuration file (tudp.config) where users must specify which telemetry variables to send. Once the app is installed, this file can be found in C:/Users/user/AppData/Roaming/VeronteUDPTelemetryCli:



Fig. 6: Configuration file



This configuration file consists of 3 parts:

- &HEAD hex. This establishes the header of the UDP messsages sent.
- &LVARS ... END\_LVARS. Defines the **LVARS**, which are complex variables defined by the user, as expressions in which autopilot variables may or may not be used. Each new line between &LVARS and END\_LVARS is a **LVAR**. *LVARs* can be boolean or number type.

Each LVAR has the following structure:  $L[id] = [default\ value] = [expression]$ 

- id: It is any integer to identify the LVAR and is used in the entries to indicate the LVAR to send.
- default value: The default value is the initial value that the LVAR will have the first time it is set.
- expression: For each UDP packet sent, the LVAR values are updated with the result by evaluating the expression.

#### **Example**

```
L40 = false = (u1599_RVAR_1021 > (0.5)) && (u1599_BIT_1053 > (0))
```

LVAR L40, initialized as **false**, and for each UDP packet sent, the LVAR value is updated with the result of the expression  $(u1599\_RVAR\_1021 > (0.5))$  &&  $(u1599\_BIT\_1053 > (0))$ .

Where, *u1599\_RVAR\_1021* refers to RVAR 1021 of the autopilot with address 1599, and *u1599\_BIT\_1053* refers to BIT 1053 of the same autopilot.

• Offsets/Entries. This is the information that is sent via UDP for each telemetry variable.

Users must fill in for each entry (*except bits*) the following fields of the table in **this order**:

1. MULT (float): Scaling factor by which the variable obtained from the autopilot is multiplied.

**Note:** Only used for the following **VVARs** (VERVARs): *L\_EQ*, *RVAR*, *UVAR*, *CUSTOM* and *LVAR*.

This field does not affect the bits, but must be set nonetheless.

2. **OFFSET** (float): Offset factor to be added to the variable value obtained from the autopilot, before being multiplied by the *MULT* value.

**Note:** This field does not affect the *bits*, but must be set nonetheless.

3. **TVAR**: Type of variable representing the value sent via UDP. It can be:

**Important:** The variables configured in the tudp.config file must match the previous configuration from *1x PDI Builder configuration* section of this manual, so each variable is parsed according to the organization of the bits.

- **byte**: Unsigned byte (0 to 255)
- bit: A desired number of bits
- **UInt16**: Unsigned 16-bit integer (0 to 65.536)
- **Int16**: Signed 16-bit integer (-32.768 to 32.768)
- **UInt32**: Unsigned 32-bit integer (-2.147.483.648 to 2.147.483.648)
- **Int32**: Signed 32-bit integer (0 to 4.294.967.295)
- **Float**: 32 bit single-precision floating-point ( $3.4028237 \cdot 10^{38}$  to  $1.175494 \cdot 10^{-38}$ )

**Note:** Unlike the other TVARs, **bits** allows users to define several variables that are packed as only one within the UDP message. To do this, each new line is a variable that is included in the bits entry, until the &END\_BIT line is read.

4. UAV (int): Serial Number of the Autopilot 1x where the variables come from.

**Note:** UAV address does not matter for *LVARs*, since it is either already indicated in the *LVAR* expression or it is a value that does not come from any autopilot.

- 5. **VERVAR/VVAR**: Type of variable in Veronte system.
  - RVAR: Real variables obtained directly from the autopilot
  - UVAR: Integer variables obtained directly from the autopilot
  - BIT: Bit variables obtained directly from the autopilot
  - CUSTOM
  - **NONE**: Equivalent to 0
  - L\_EQ: Linear equation. Similar to TVAR bits, it allows defining several variables in a single entry.

The resulting value of this type of entry is the addition of all the consequent variables, multiplied by *COEFFICIENT*, to which the unit conversion (*UNIT*), addition (*OFFSET*) and multiplication (*MULT*) are finally applied.

The linear equation continues to wait for more variables until the &END\_L\_EQ line is read.

**Note:** As implemented, there is no use for the ID field when defining an  $L\_EQ$ , since the IDs used are those of the following lines.

- LVAR: It must be previously defined as explained above.
- 6. **ID** (int): Identifier of the variable in Veronte. Refer to the Lists of Variables Lists of interest section of **1x Software Manual** for Index-Variable correspondence or check it on the Variables panel of the UI menu of **1x PDI Builder** app.
- 7. **UNIT** (int): Index of the unit of measurement of the variable in case a conversion has to be made. Please, see the *Index-Unit correspondence table* for detailed information.
- 8. **LIMITS** (*optional*) (Only for *BITs*): It is optional and its format is [min&max], both are of float type.
- 8. **COEFFICIENT** (Only for  $L_EQ$ ): It is a coefficient of the linear equation.

Below are several examples of the configuration file depending on the type of variable to be sent.

• RVARs. Example with Relative Timestamp, Longitude and Latitude variables:

#HEAD HEX	K					
&HEAD	0AA0					
#MULT	OFFSET	TVAR	UAV	VERVAR	ID	UNIT
1000	0	UInt32	1599	RVAR	300	NONE
1	0	Float	1599	RVAR	500	NONE
1	0	Float	1599	RVAR	501	NONE
# Second	row: Send Lo	e Since Hardwa ngitude as a F itude as a Flo	loat (4 bytes		as an U.	Int32 (4 byte

• LVARs:

```
#HEAD HEX
&HEAD
            1FB9
&LVARS
L1 = 0 = L1 + 1
L70 \ = \ 20 \ = \ L70 \ + \ L1
L45 = false = L70 \% 2 == 0
L80 = false = (u1599_RVAR_1021 > (0.5)) && (u1599_BIT_1053 > (0))
&END_LVARS
# L80 initially has a value of false. Next values are obtained from the expression
# (u1599_RVAR_1021 > (0.5)) && (u1599_BIT_1053 > (0))
# u1599_RVAR_1021 = value of RVAR 1021 (stky21, Stick Input y21)
# from autopilot with address 1599.
# The value of this variable is also updated every time
# Use of Lvars
#MULT
           OFFSET
                        TVAR
                                         UAV
                                                     VERVAR
                                                                          UNIT
            0
                                         0000
                                                                          NONE
1
                        Int16
                                                     LVAR
                                                                 1
1
            0
                        Float
                                         0000
                                                     LVAR
                                                                 70
                                                                          NONE
                                                                          NONE
            0
                                         0000
                                                     LVAR
                                                                 45
1
                        byte
# UAV address does not matter for these LVARs since they do not come from an.
→autopilot.
# First row: Send L1 as an Int16 (2 bytes)
# Second row: Send L70 as a Float (4 bytes)
# Third row: Send L45 as a byte (1 byte)
```

#### • BITs:

```
#HEAD HEX
&HEAD
            0AA0
            OFFSET
                                       UAV
                                                    VERVAR
                                                                ID
                                                                         UNIT
#MULT
                        TVAR
                        bits
#UAV
            VERVAR
                        ID
                                    UNIT
                                                LIMITS(optional)
1599
            RVAR
                        501
                                    NONE
1599
            RVAR
                        500
                                    NONE
                                                [-1000\&1000]
&END_BIT
# Mult and Offset do not affect bits, but they must be set regardless.
# Any int value is valid and acts the same.
```

• **BITs with LVARs**. Taking the LVARs defined in the previous example:

```
#HEAD HEX
&HEAD 1FB9

#Definition of LVARS
&LVARS

L1 = 0 = L1 + 1

L70 = 20 = L70 + L1
```

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```
L45 = false = L70 \% 2 == 0
&END_LVARS
#Bits example with lvars
                                        UAV
#MULT
            OFFSET
                        TVAR
                                                     VERVAR
                                                                 ID
                                                                          UNIT
            0
                        bits
#UAV
            VERVAR
                        ID
                                     UNIT
                                                 LIMITS(optional)
0000
            LVAR
                        1
                                     NONE
                                                 [0&10]
0000
                        70
                                     NONE
                                                 [100&500]
            LVAR
0000
            LVAR
                        45
                                     NONE
&END BIT
# Mult and Offset do not affect bits, but they must be set regardless.
# Any int value is valid and acts the same.
# In this example, each one of the variables occupies one bit in the resulting.
⊶message.
# L1, which is incremented by one, is checked if it is within the set limit 0&10,
# i.e., for values strictly greater than 0 and strictly less than 10,
# the bit will be 1, and for all other values, it will be 0.
# The same applies to L70, when 100<L70>500, the bit is 1, and for the rest it is 0.
# L45 on the other hand doesn't have a limit.
# When no limit is established, it compares it to 1.
# Since L45 is a boolean that checks that L70 is even,
# the bit will be one when the value is 1, and 0 when not.
# Concrete example: L1 = 16, L70 = 156, L45 = true (because L70 is even)
# The UDP packet will be:
# HEADER: 31 -71
# L1: 16 0
# L70: 0 0 28 67
# L45: 1
# bits: 6 = bits[1 1 0] because:
\# L1 is not in the limits (0), L70 is (middle 1), and L45 is 1/\text{true} (left 1).
# The order is from least to most significant in the order indicated in the bits...
→list.
```

## • L\_EQ:

#HEAD HEX	(						
&HEAD	0AA0						
#MULT	OFFSET	TVAR	UAV	VERVAR	ID	UNIT	
1	0	Int16	0000	L_EQ	NONE	NONE	
#UAV	VERVAR	ID	UNIT	COEFFICIENT			
1001	RVAR	1	NONE	2.3			
1001	UVAR	1	NONE	2.3			
&END_L_EC	)						
# LINEAR	<b>EQUATION:</b>						

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```
# ((COEFFICIENT*RVAR(1) + COEFFICIENT*UVAR(1)) + Offset) * Mult
# ((2.3*RVAR(1) + 2.3*UVAR(1)) + 0) * 1
```

• L\_EQ with LVARs. Taking the LVARs defined in the previous example:

```
#HEAD HEX
&HEAD
            1FB9
#Definition of LVARs
&LVARS
L1 = 0 = L1 + 1
L70 = 20 = L70 + L1
&END_LVARS
#Linear equation example with lvars
#MULT
            OFFSET
                       TVAR
                                        UAV
                                                    VERVAR
                                                                ID
                                                                        UNIT
2
            13
                        Float
                                        0000
                                                                        NONE
                                                    L_EQ
#UAV
                                                COEFFICIENT
            VERVAR
                       ID
                                   UNIT
0000
                                    NONE
            LVAR
                       70
0000
            LVAR
                                    NONE
                                                25
&END_L_EQ
# Concrete example: L1 = 1, L70 = 21
\# ((50*L1 + 25*L70) + 0ffset) * Mult = ((50*1 + 25*21) + 13) * 2 = 1176
# Sent as a Float, therefore in the udp packet it will be:
# 1176 = [0 \ 0 \ -109 \ 68]
```

## 2.1.3.3 Index-Unit correspondence table

Unit ID	Unit
0	m/s
1	kt
2 3	km/h
3	mph
4	ft/s
121	ft/m
321	mm/s
5	m
6	km
62	mm
63	cm
7	mi
8	NM
9	yd
10	ft
11	in
12	m/s <sup>2</sup>
13	ft/s <sup>2</sup>
14	in/s <sup>2</sup>
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Unit ID Unit	
15 g (gravity)	
202 rad	
16 rad $[-\pi, \pi]$	
203 rad $[0, 2\pi]$	
205 9	
17 ° [-180,180]	]
101 ° [0,360]	
102 0 ' ''	
103 ° ' ' (N/S) 104 ° ' ' (E/W)	
104 ° ' ' (E/W)	
21 T	
160 nT	
23 G	
22 mG	
24 V	
25 mV	
26 A	
27 mA	
340 kA	
28 Pa	
29 kPa	
30 bar	
31 mbar	
32 psi	
33 mmHg	
34 at	
35 atm	
147 Pa <sup>2</sup>	
36 K	
37 °C	
38 °F	
39 s	
120 Time	
40 min	
41 h	
330 ns	
$108$ $\mu$ s	
109 ms	
42 rad/s	
117 °/s	
43 rad/min	
44 rad/h	
45 rps	
46 rpm	
47 rph	
57 m <sup>3</sup> /s	
58 gal/s	
54 gal/h	
59 1/s	

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OOTIGITA	sa nom provid
Unit ID	Unit
55	1/h
56	_
60	x1
64	%
61	pkts/s
105	Hz
106	mHz
107	kHz
140	Bd
141	kBd
142	MBd
110	$m^2$
111	cm <sup>2</sup>
112	mm <sup>2</sup>
113	km <sup>2</sup>
114	mile <sup>2</sup>
115	ft <sup>2</sup>
116	yd <sup>2</sup>
118	bit
119	byte
131	KB
	GB
132	
122 123	kg
	g
124	tonnes
125	lbs
126	OZ
127	N
128	kN
129	lbf
130	pdl
134	rad/s <sup>2</sup>
135	rad/min <sup>2</sup>
136	rad/h <sup>2</sup>
137	º/s²
138	º/m²
139	º/h²
329	rpm/s
143	$T^2$
144	$(m/s)^2$
145	$(cm/s)^2$
146	(mm/s) <sup>2</sup>
327	Ω
328	Henrios
322	watios
323	kW
324	Kgm/s
325	erg/s
326	cv
optiones	n novt nogo

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Unit ID	Unit
331	m <sup>3</sup>
332	dm <sup>3</sup>
333	mm <sup>3</sup>
334	L
335	mL

## 2.1.4 Operation

This section details the steps to transmit telemetry UDP messages through Veronte UDP Telemetry CLI.

#### 2.1.4.1 Sending UDP messages

**Veronte UDP Telemetry CLI** connects to **Veronte Link** to send the previously configured Autopilot 1x telemetry via UDP messages. For this reason, the connection between the autopilot and **Veronte Link** must be properly established, and **Veronte Link** needs to be opened.

Note: For more information about this connection, please refer to Connection - Operation section of this manual.

These are the options to send the configured variables:

1. Launching **Veronte UDP Telemetry CLI** by double-clicking on the App shortcut or the .exe file:



Fig. 8: Veronte UDP Telemetry CLI shorcut

This will send the UDP messages with the following default configuration:

Host url: 127.0.0.1 UDP port: 3000 Frequency: 10 Hz

Note: These installation files location will vary depending on the location selected during installation.

Note that **Veronte UDP Telemetry CLI Installer** . exe is not the **Veronte UDP Telemetry CLI** . exe to launch.

- 2. Launching **Veronte UDP Telemetry CLI** . exe from terminal, where it is possible to specify the parameters of the trasmission using the following command-line options:
  - - u: UDP address
  - - **p**: UDP port

• -  $\mathbf{f}$ : Desired frequency of data transmission (Hz)

This is an example:

```
C:\Program Files\Embention\veronte-udp-telemetry-cli>start veronte-udp-telemetry-cli-6.12.1.exe -u 192.158.1.38 -p 3001 -f 1_
```

Fig. 9: Launching from terminal example

The expected outcome is the following:

```
| Powerous | Power | P
```

Fig. 10: Expected outcome

**Note:** Veronte UDP Telemetry CLI always adds the matcher 0x0A 0xA0 at the beginning of each sent UDP packet

before the variable data.

Therefore the received UDP packet will be:  $0x0A \ 0xA0$  followed by the consecutive stream of data in the order and byte width configured in tudp.config.

If users have any doubts about the UDP packets that are generated, please refer to *Viewing UDP data - Troubleshooting* section of this manual.

## **OPERATION**

In order to establish a connection between a Veronte device and a PC with Veronte Link, follow the steps:

1. Connect the device to a PC via Serial (USB, RS232 or RS485) or UDP/TCP (Wifi or Ethernet).



Fig. 1: PC-Veronte device connection

**Note:** Connecting the device to the PC is not necessary when communicating via Veronte Cloud. Please, see *Cloud connection* for further information.

2. Open **Veronte Link**, then a similar image to the following should be displayed:

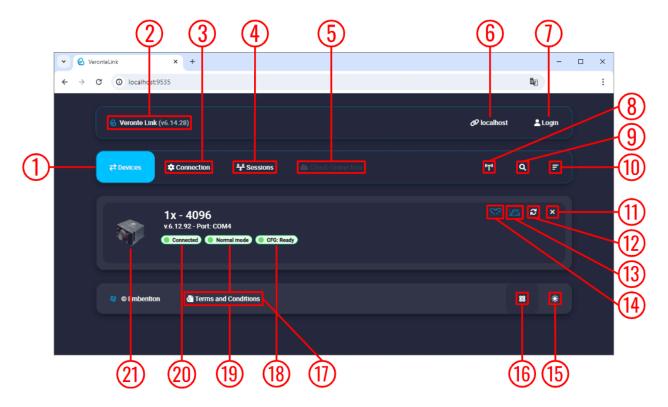


Fig. 2: Veronte Link interface - Devices menu

- 1. **Devices**: This is the currently displayed menu. It shows the devices connected to the PC.
- 2. **Veronte Link version**: Informs the user about the version of the software being used.
- 3. **Connection**: This menu allows the user to configure the connection between the PC and a Veronte device. See *Connection* section for more information.
- 4. **Sessions**: In this menu users can play back recorded logs and flights. See *Sessions* section for more information.
- 5. **Cloud connection**: This menu allows the user to configure the **internet** connection between the PC and the available Veronte Autopilots 1x. See *Cloud connection* section for more information.

Note: Only available if the user has logged in.

- 6. Host: Allows connecting to the local IP address or to another desired IP address.
- 7. Login: Enables cloud connection through user logging.
- 8. Find all: Runs a discovery to all devices.
- 9. **Search from ID**: Searches for a specific device by its ID. Entering the ID **999** will search for all devices.
- 10. Sort list: Click on it to sort the list of devices.
- 11. **Remove device**: Only works after disconnecting the device.

Note: Only available if a device is connected or has been connected.

12. **Refresh configurables**: It is recommended to use in case of any connection error.

**Note:** Only available if a device is connected or has been connected.

- 13. Open Veronte FDR: From here users can access Veronte FDR on the same version of the connected device.
- 14. **Open Veronte Ops**: From here users can access Veronte Ops on the same version of the connected device.
- 15. Dark/light mode: Switches to light/dark mode, changing the display mode of the interface.
- 16. **Switch particles**: Particles can be *on* or *off*, changing the application appearance.
- 17. **Terms and Conditions**: Users can consult the 'End User License Agreement (EULA)' by simply clicking on this button.
- 18. Configuration status: It can be:
  - CFG: Waiting to read (only for Veronte Autopilot 1x)
  - CFG: Reading conf
  - CFG: Ready
  - CFG: Failed load conf
  - CFG: Not Downloaded (for other products than Veronte Autopilot 1x)
  - CFG: Not compatible

**Note:** Products are typically operational even if the configuration is not marked as "ready"

- 19. **Device status**: Can be in *Normal mode*, *Maintenance mode* or *Loaded with errors*.
- 20. Connection status: It can be Connected or Disconnected.
- 21. **Veronte device**: Here it is displayed an image of the Veronte device that is connected.

Important: Once Veronte Link is executed, an icon will appear in the taskbar and a browser window will open.



Fig. 3: Veronte Link icon

To **close** the application, it is not enough to close the browser window, it is necessary to **right-click** on the icon and select **Close**.

If the browser window is closed, it can be accessed again by pressing the **Open** button.

# 3.1 Connection

In this menu users must **configure the connection type** of the Veronte device.

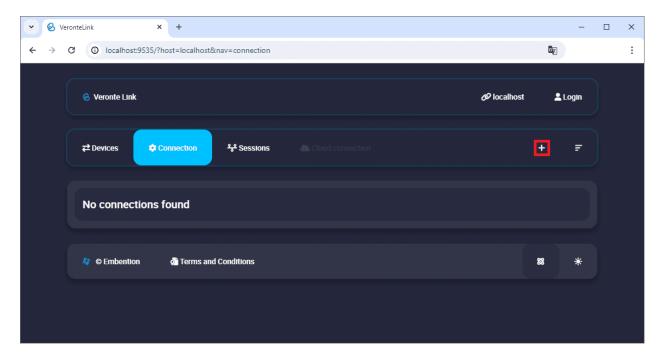


Fig. 4: Connection menu

Clicking on the '+' icon will display the **configuration** panel. The parameters to be configured depend on the type of connection selected:

**Warning:** Apart from **Type** and **Port** parameters, it is not recommended to modify the default configuration, as the default parameters should work correctly.

• Serial: USB, RS232 or RS485 connections.

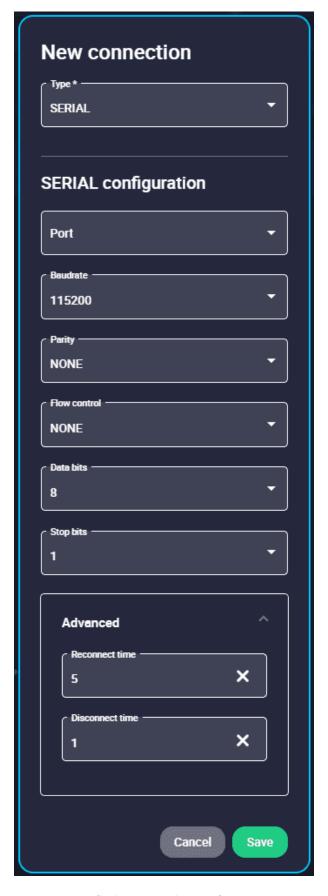


Fig. 5: Serial connection configuration

- **Port**: Select the port of the computer to which the device is connected. It does not have to be the same as the one in the example image (*Veronte Link interface* image).

More information about the port where the device is connected is explained in *Serial connection* - *Integration examples* section of the present manual.

- **Baudrate**: This field specifies how fast data is sent over a serial line.
- Parity: Is a method of detecting errors in transmission.

When parity is used with a serial port, an extra data bit is sent with each data character, arranged so that the number of 1 bits in each character, including the parity bit.

The available options are EVEN, MARK, ODD, SPACE and NONE.

- Flow control: RTS/CTS and XON/XOFF control can be configured if needed.
- Data bits: Defines the number of bits in the message. It can be configured from 5 to 8 bits.
- Stop bits: Number of stop bits sent at the end of every character. Can be 1, 1.5 or 2.
- Advanced:
  - \* Reconnect time: The time to consider a device reconnected. Default is set to 5 seconds.
  - \* **Disconnect time**: Time to consider a device disconnected is defined here. 1 second is configured by default.

**Note:** In case of not getting the device connected, make sure that the PC acquires a *communication port*.

• UDP: Ethernet or Wifi connections.



Fig. 6: UDP connection configuration

**Important:** Consider the maximum packet size supported by the Veronte Communication Protocol (VCP) when using serial data converters.

- Address: IP address, normally set to 239.0.0.1 (for broadcast) or 127.0.0.1 (for local).
- **Port**: IP Port must be set.
- TTL: Time To Live, it is the maximum amount of time or 'hops' that a UDP packet can exist inside a network before being discarded by a router.

A default value should automatically be set.

**Note:** How to establish a connection via UDP is detailed in the *UDP connection - Integration examples* section of the present manual.

• Planet: Satellital connections, it requires internet connection.

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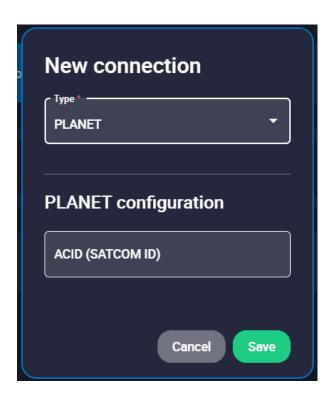


Fig. 7: Planet connection configuration

- Satcom ID must be set.
- TCP-SERVER: Ethernet or Wifi connections.

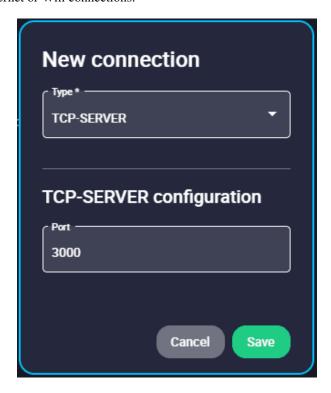


Fig. 8: TCP-SERVER connection configuration

- Port: Set the TCP port from which the devices will get the information provided by Veronte Link.

**Note:** How to establish a TCP-SERVER connection is detailed in the *TCP-SERVER connection - Integration examples* section of this manual.

• TCP-CLIENT: Ethernet or Wifi connections.

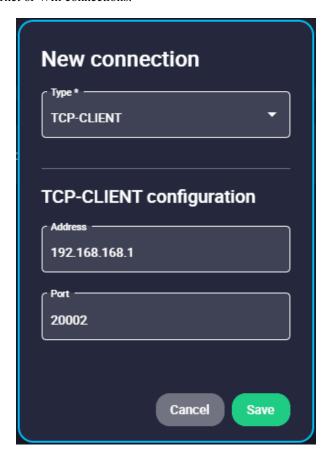


Fig. 9: TCP-SERVER connection configuration

- Address: Enter the address of the device from which Veronte Link has to obtain the information.
- **Port**: Enter the TCP port from which the information is obtained.

**Note:** How to establish a TCP-CLIENT connection is detailed in the *TCP-CLIENT connection - Integration examples* section of this manual.

Finally, click on Save.

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## 3.2 Sessions

Sessions tab displays all **finished** device sessions.

#### **Important:**

- Sessions that are currently being recorded will not be displayed.
- A session from the currently connected device cannot be replayed.
- If users are unable to replay any session, please check the *Error when replaying a session Troubleshooting* section of this manual.

The following image and list describe each functionality.

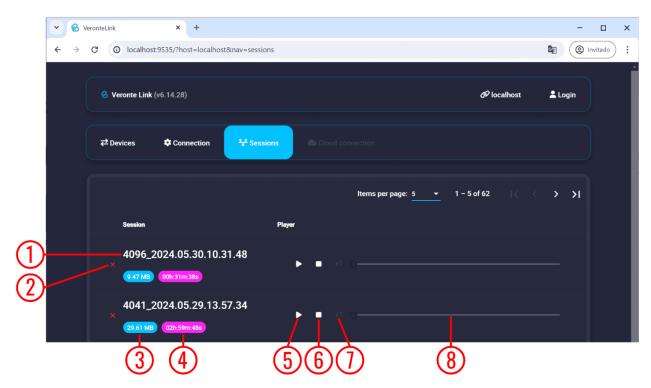


Fig. 10: Sessions menu

- 1. **Session name**: It is made with recording time (date and hour).
- 2. **Delete session**. If the user wishes to delete more than 1 session at a time, it is possible to delete them from the **Veronte Link sessions folder** located in the following path:
  - C:\Users\USER NAME\AppData\Roaming\VeronteLink\sessions
- 3. Files weight.
- 4. Duration.
- 5. **Play/Pause**: Play button creates a **virtual device** in the "session port" similar to the following figure:

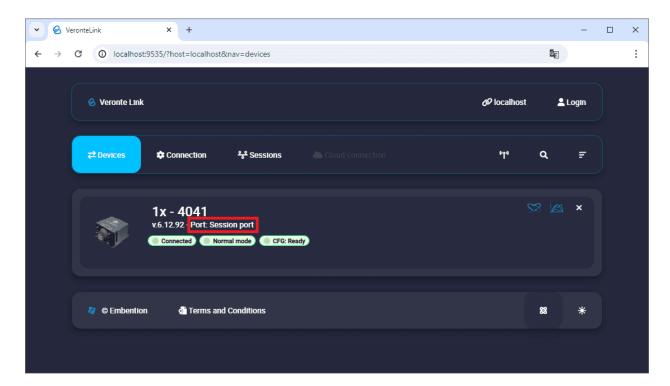


Fig. 11: Virtual device

It starts a simulation replaying everything that happened during the session recording. It will recreate all the ocurred events with detail and **Veronte Ops** will display the corresponding data and trajectories; read the Veronte Ops user manual for more information.

Note: In addition, when the virtual device is in a ready state, users can open the 1x PDI Builder software and download the configuration (PDI files).

- 6. **Stop**: It stops playing the session. It **does not delete the session**.
- 7. **Speed**: Playing speed can be selected as x0.5, x1, x2, x4 and x8.

Note: This button is only available when reproducing a session.

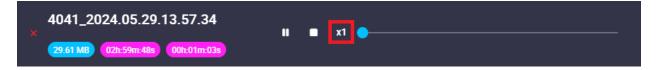


Fig. 12: Speed button enabled

8. Display bar: Click and drag to replay any moment.

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## 3.3 Cloud connection

Cloud connection tab allows the user to connect to a Veronte Autopilot 1x through **LTE network**. This functionality is enabled thanks to the **HSPA+** module (internal or external) embedded in Veronte autopilots.

**Note:** To activate the internal card or Veronte Cloud data traffic through internet, please contact sales@embention.com. Remember that there is **no internet connection** when **HSPA+ module** is deactivated.

To configure this type of connection, these steps must be followed:

1. **Login**: After clicking the *Login* button, users must introduce their associated username and password.

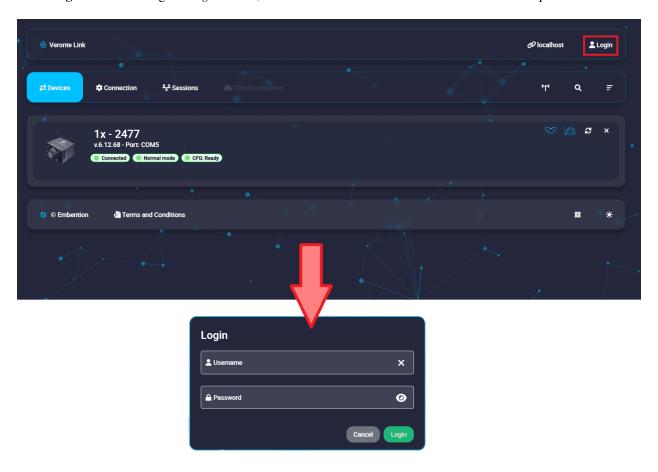


Fig. 13: Cloud Connection: Login

**Note:** Login credentials are automatically assigned. In case they have not been provided to you, please contact the support team by creating a ticket in the customer's Joint Collaboration Framework; for more information, see Tickets section of the JCF manual or contact sales@embention.com.

2. **Open Cloud connection tab**. Veronte Autopilots 1x linked to user's account should be displayed.

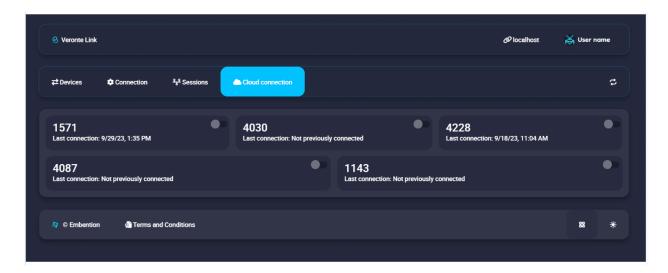


Fig. 14: Cloud Connection: Available devices

The following information is displayed for each autopilot:

- ID: Identification number of the autopilot (Serial Number).
- Last connection: Indicates the date on which the last connection to that device was established.
- 3. Activate the connection with the desired Autopilot 1x by turning on the toggle button displayed next to it.

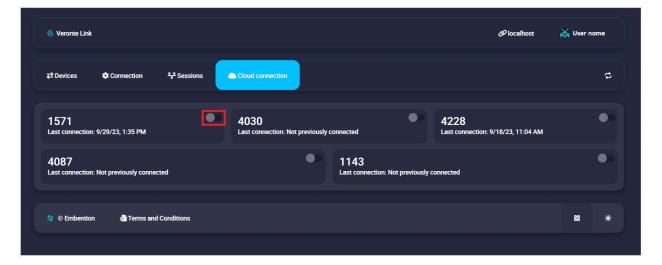


Fig. 15: Cloud Connection: Connect to an Autopilot 1x

**Note:** Since Cloud connections are based on **LTE communication**, this connection may not be immediate. The selected autopilot will only be displayed in the '*Devices*' tab when it is successfully connected.

4. At this point, **Veronte Link** must have established the connection with the selected Autopilot 1x. Consequently, the autopilot must be displayed in the *Devices* tab.

Note: Since Cloud connections are based on LTE communication, connection may be lost even when the

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toggle button is on. In this case, the autopilot will disappear from the 'Devices' tab, appearing again when the connection is retrieved.

5. Log out: Click on the username to enable the log out button, and then press it.

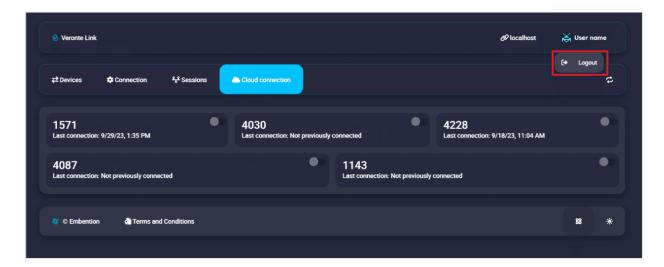


Fig. 16: Cloud Connection: Log out

## INTEGRATION EXAMPLES

## 4.1 Serial connection

As the comport configuration is common to all devices, the following steps are applied to MC24 and MC110 controllers as an example.

1. Once **Veronte Link** is installed, the first step that must be done is to set the connection that your MC unit is currently using. By default, every MC is capable to comunicate through USB, RS232 and RS485 so any of these can be used (properly adapted to USB/serial).

First, click on "+":

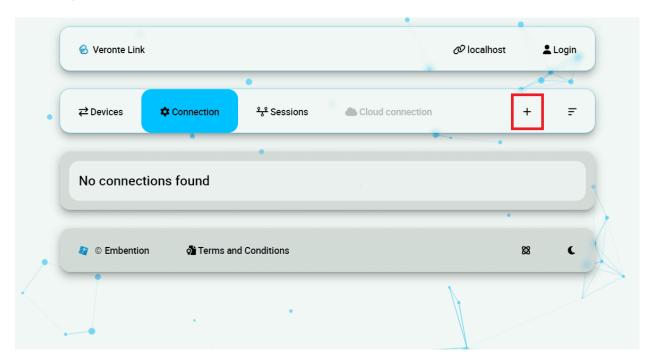


Fig. 1: Add new connection

2. Besides, it is required to find out which port is employing the MC unit. Windows allows to do that with the **Device Manager** from the **Control Panel**.

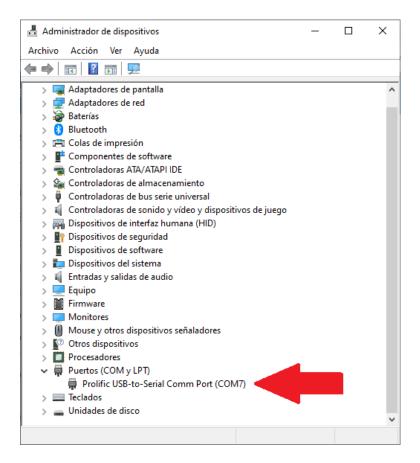


Fig. 2: Windows Device Manager

3. Select your COM settings by entering the **Comm Port** previously found. Normally, the other default parameters should not be changed.

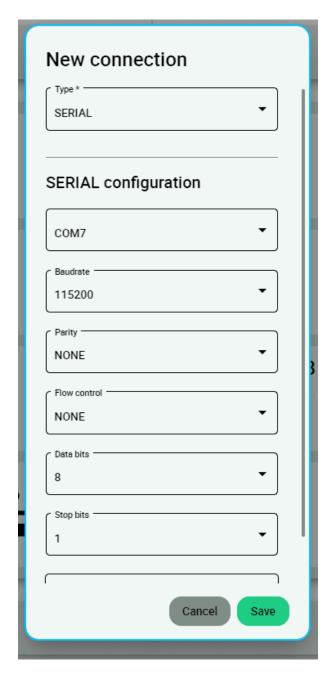


Fig. 3: New connection configuration

4. If the selected port is correct and everything went well, a new MC will be displayed in the devices list. However, the *device status* will remain as **CFG: Waiting to read**.

The user is ready now to start configuring the motor controller using  $MC\ PDI\ Builder$ .

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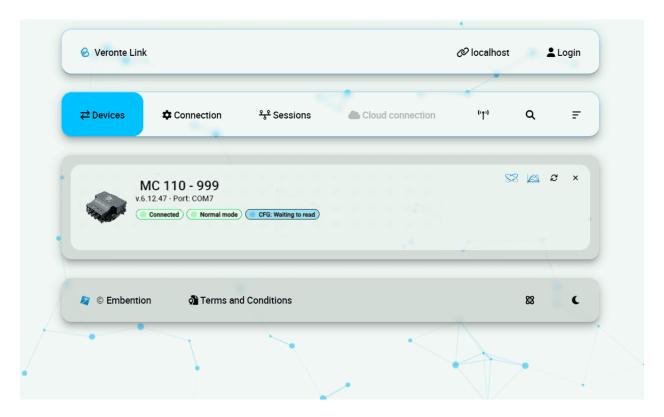


Fig. 4: MC unit correctly connected

More Veronte devices (MC units, Veronte Autopilots, etc.) could be added following these instructions.

**Note:** In case of connecting a Veronte Autopilot 1x, after a few seconds, the *device status* should replace **CFG: Waiting to read** by **CFG: Ready**, since **only Autopilot** 1x **is able to change or load configuration in normal mode**.

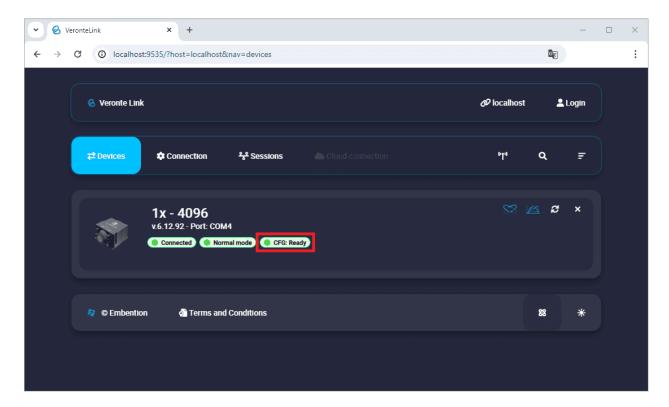


Fig. 5: Veronte Autopilot 1x connected and ready

For other Veronte devices than 1x, CFG: Not Downloaded is equivalent to CFG: Waiting to read. Hence, CFG: Ready should replace the status CFG: Not Downloaded.

## 4.2 UDP connection

### Wi-Fi/Ethernet configuration

The following steps are applied to a PCS unit as an example.

**Important:** If connecting through **Ethernet**, step 1 does not apply.

- 1. The first step is to look under available networks for the PCS unit and connect to it.
- 2. Once the connection is made, enter **Veronte Link** and configure the UDP connection in the **Connection menu**. First, click on "+":

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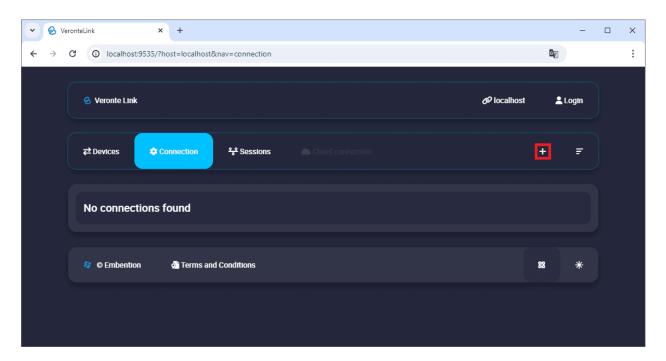


Fig. 6: Add new connection

3. Then, the configurable parameters must be entered.

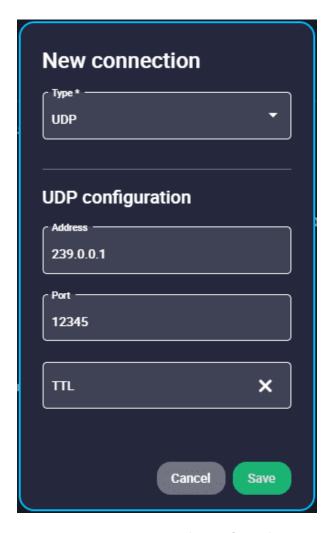


Fig. 7: New UDP connection configuration

**Important:** This address and port are configured for this PCS unit, they do not have to be the same for another device.

4. Finally, if the configured connection is correct and everything went well, a new PCS will appear in the device list and the *device status* will change to **CFG: Ready**.

The user is ready now to start configuring the PCS using  $1x\ PDI\ Builder$ .

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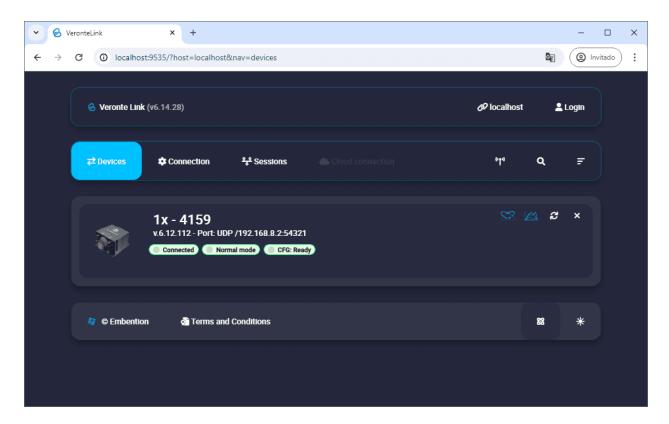


Fig. 8: PCS unit correctly connected

**Note:** The image of a Veronte Autopilot 1x is displayed and not a PCS as the device that is actually connected is the Autopilot 1x inside the PCS.

### 4.3 TCP-SERVER connection

#### **Ethernet configuration**

The following steps detail how to connect Veronte Link to an Autopilot 1x via a TCP connection to a Microhard radio.

Note: In this connection, the radio acts as "Client" and Veronte Link as "Server".

- 1. Configure, in the Microhard WebUI, the radio as "TCP Client" and enter the following parameters:
  - Remote Server IP Address: IP address of the PC.
  - **Remote Server port**: TCP port to which the radio has to connect. It must be the same as the one configured in Veronte Link.

For more information on the radio configuration, users can refer to the Microhard radio configuration - Integration examples section of the **1x Hardware Manual** or directly to the Microhard radio documentation.

2. Connect **Veronte Autopilot 1x** to the Microhard radio via **RS232** as detailed in the Microhard pDDL900-ENC external - Integration examples section of the **1x Hardware Manual**.

3. Once the configuration and connection is done, open **Veronte Link** and configure the **TCP-SERVER** connection in the **Connection menu**.

First, click on "+":

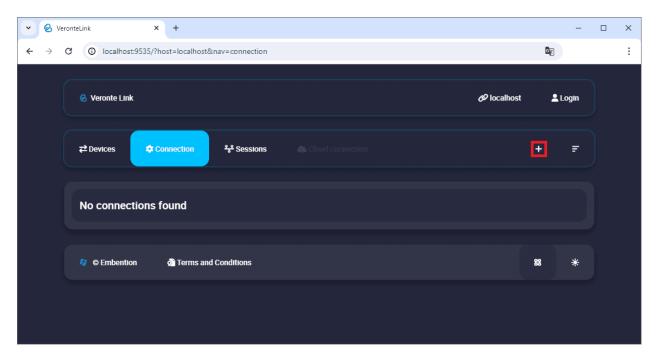


Fig. 9: Add new connection

4. Then, the configurable parameters must be entered.



Fig. 10: New TCP-SERVER connection configuration

- **Port**: Enter a TCP port to which the radio will be connected, the same as the one previously configured as "Remote Server port" in the radio configuration.
- 5. Finally, if the configured connection is correct and everything went well, a new Autopilot 1x will appear in the Devices list. It should look like this:

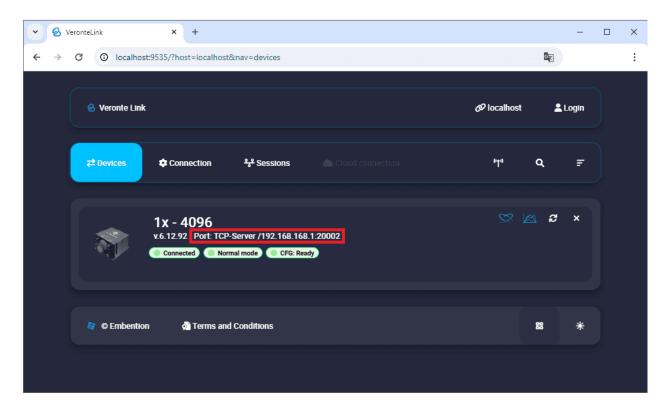


Fig. 11: 1x unit correctly connected

## 4.4 TCP-CLIENT connection

#### **Ethernet configuration**

The following steps detail how to connect Veronte Link to an Autopilot 1x via a TCP connection to a **Microhard** radio.

Note: In this connection, the radio acts as "Server" and Veronte Link as "Client".

- 1. Configure, in the Microhard WebUI, the radio as "TCP Server" and enter a "Local Listening Port" to which Veronte Link will have to connect (usually the default one is used).
  - For more information on the radio configuration, users can refer to the Microhard radio configuration Integration examples section of the **1x Hardware Manual** or directly to the Microhard radio documentation.
- 2. Connect **Veronte Autopilot 1x** to the Microhard radio via **RS232** as detailed in the Microhard pDDL900-ENC external Integration examples section of the **1x Hardware Manual**.
- 3. Once the configuration and connection is done, open **Veronte Link** and configure the **TCP-CLIENT** connection in the **Connection menu**.

First, click on "+":

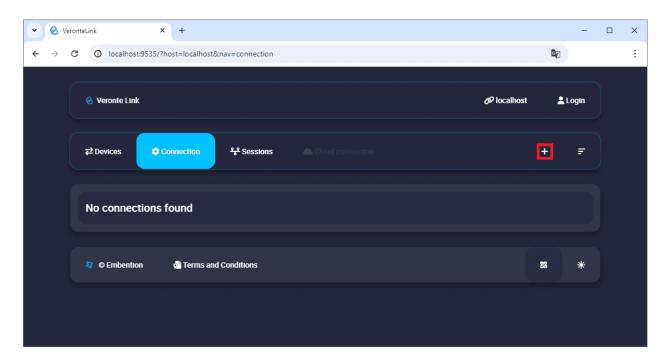


Fig. 12: Add new connection

4. Then, the configurable parameters must be entered.



Fig. 13: New TCP-CLIENT connection configuration

- Address: IP address of the radio.
- Port: Enter as TCP port the "Local Listening Port" previously set in the radio configuration.

**Important:** This address and port are configured for this radio unit, they do not have to be the same for another device.

5. Finally, if the configured connection is correct and everything went well, a new Autopilot 1x will appear in the Devices list. It should look something like this:

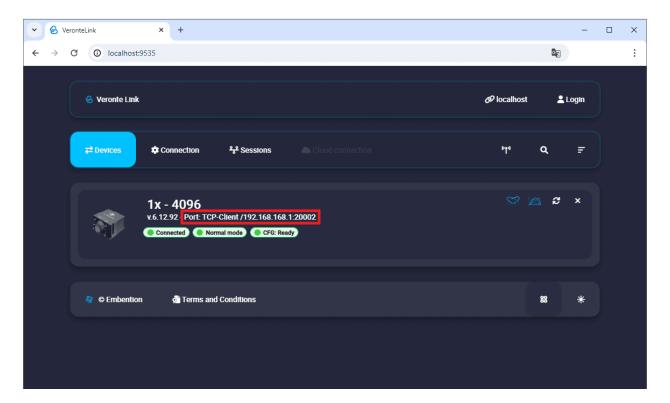


Fig. 14: 1x unit correctly connected

**CHAPTER** 

**FIVE** 

## **TROUBLESHOOTING**

In case of any software error, it is possible to extract and analyze files from session folder.

**Warning:** Do not modify or delete manually any **Veronte Link** file. Copy them to a different path to send or analyze.

**Veronte Link** files are placed on the following paths:

- C:\Users\USER NAME\AppData\Roaming\VeronteLink\configurables Device configurations.
- C:\Users\USER NAME\AppData\Roaming\VeronteLink\sessions Session files, it includes flights information.
- C:\Users\USER NAME\AppData\Roaming\VeronteLink\tracelogs Event logs, it includes flights information.
- C:\Users\USER NAME\AppData\Roaming\VeronteLink  $\Rightarrow$  cfg.son **Veronte Link** connections configuration file. **If deleted, the configuration will be lost**.
- C:\Users\USER NAME\AppData\Roaming\VeronteLink  $\Rightarrow$  vlink.lock Internal file that only appears if any instance of **Veronte Link** is open. **If deleted, there will be instability in the system**.

# **5.1 Comm Port error in Windows Device Manager**

If the following Windows Comm Port error occurs:

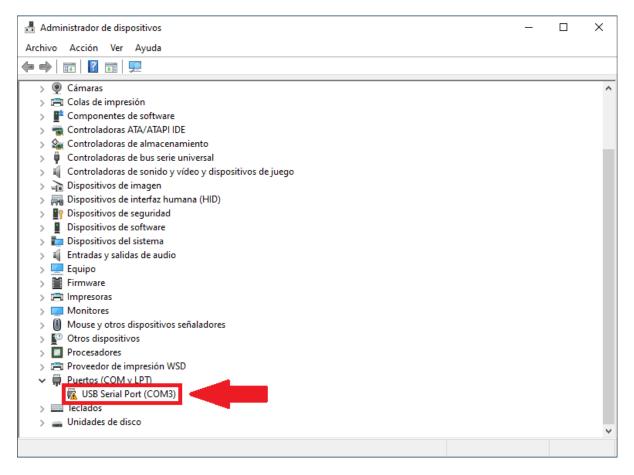


Fig. 1: Windows Device Manager - Comm Port error

Users must extend the disconnection time to 5 seconds to fix it. To do this:

- 1. Go to the **Connection** menu  $\rightarrow$  click on the icon to open the COM configuration.
- 2. Open the **Advanced** parameters drop down menu  $\rightarrow$  modify the **Disconnect time** to **5 seconds**.

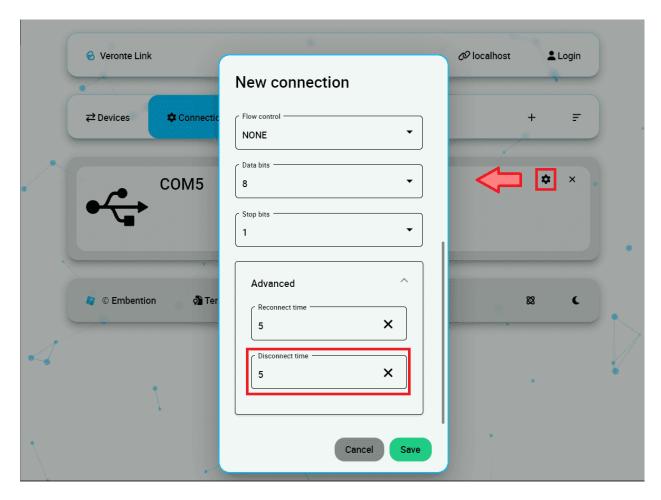


Fig. 2: Connection configuration - Disconnect time

If the user is still having problems with this, please contact the support team by creating a ticket in the customer's **Joint Collaboration Framework**; for more information, see Tickets section of the JCF manual.

# 5.2 Error when replaying a session

If the following error message appears when attempting to replay a session:

The session cannot be played because a device with the same address is connected

Fig. 3: Error message

**Important:** As indicated in the *Sessions* section, users **cannot** replay a session from the **currently connected** device.

It is often due to users trying to replay a session from a **disconnected** device that still appears in the *Devices* list as **disconnected**. In this case, in order to play a session, it is first necessary to delete it from the this list.

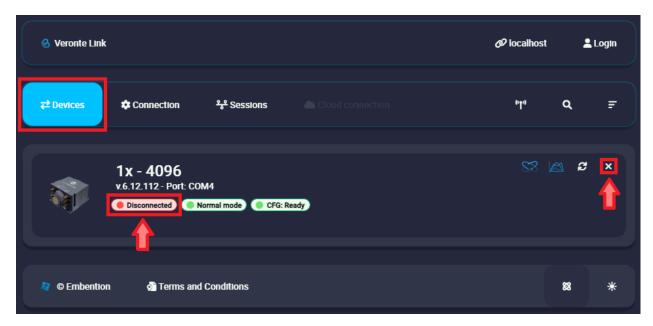


Fig. 4: Device disconnected in Devices list

The cause of this is that when replaying a session, a virtual device is created with the same address as the previous device and this can cause conflicts.

If the user is still having problems with this, please contact the support team by creating a ticket in the customer's **Joint Collaboration Framework**; for more information, see Tickets section of the JCF manual.

# 5.3 Viewing UDP data

An application such as Wireshark can be used to visualize raw data sent from Autopilot 1x. Nonetheless, at the beginning, it may show characaters that do not come from 1x, because Wireshark reads all data from the connected port, including protocol information.

To distinguish 1x messages, the user has to search the matcher 0x0A 0xA0 for **Veronte UDP Telemetry CLI**. The matcher indicates the beginning of the data. In the following example, characters marked with blue correspond to 1x, while yellow characters are the UDP protocol structure.



Fig. 5: Distinguished data on Wireshark

**CHAPTER** 

SIX

## **SOFTWARE CHANGELOG**

This section presents the changes between the previous software version (v.6.12.22) and the current (v.6.14.28).

#### Added

- TCP server connection support
- Support Autopilot multiconnection
- Calculate discovery CRC Configuration after upload and download configuration
- Telemetry, status messages and discovery response to check arbitration Ports functionality