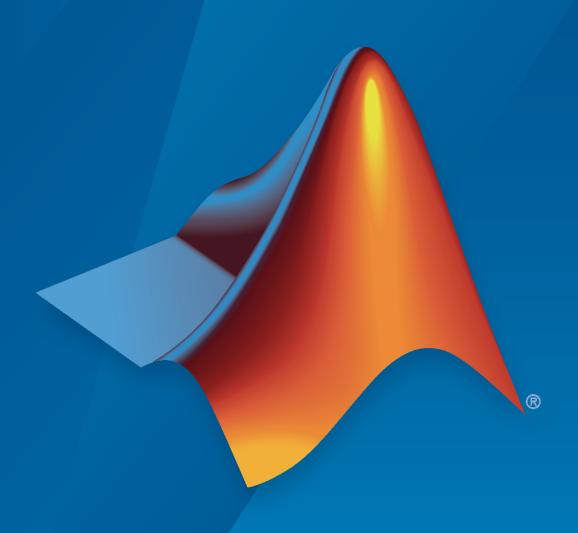
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# **Instrument Control Toolbox Product Description**

#### Control test and measurement instruments and communicate with computer peripherals

Instrument Control Toolbox lets you connect MATLAB® directly to instruments such as oscilloscopes, function generators, signal analyzers, power supplies, and analytical instruments. The toolbox connects to your instruments via instrument drivers such as IVI and VXI*plug&play*, or via text-based SCPI commands over commonly used communication protocols such as GPIB, VISA, TCP/IP, and UDP. You can also control and acquire data from test equipment without writing code.

With Instrument Control Toolbox, you can generate data in MATLAB to send out to an instrument or read data into MATLAB for analysis and visualization. You can automate tests, verify hardware designs, and build test systems based on LXI, PXI, and AXIe standards.

The toolbox provides built-in support for TCP/IP, UDP, I2C, SPI, and Bluetooth® serial protocols for remote communication with other computers and printed circuit boards (PCBs) from MATLAB.

# **Instrument Control Toolbox Overview**

#### In this section...

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"Learning About the Instrument Control Toolbox Software" on page 1-4

"Using the Documentation Examples" on page 1-4

# Getting to Know the Instrument Control Toolbox Software

Instrument Control Toolbox software is a collection of MATLAB functions built on the MATLAB technical computing environment. The toolbox provides you with these features:

- A framework for communicating with instruments that support the GPIB interface (IEEE®-488), the VISA standard, and the TCP/IP and UDP protocols. Note that the toolbox extends the basic serial port features included with the MATLAB software.
- Support for IVI®, VXI*plug&play*, and MATLAB instrument drivers.
- Functions for transferring data between the MATLAB workspace and your instrument:
  - The data can be binary (numerical) or text.
  - The transfer can be synchronous and block access to the MATLAB Command Window, or asynchronous and allow access to the MATLAB Command Window.
- Event-based communication.
- Functions for recording data and event information to a text file.
- Tools that facilitate instrument control in an easy-to-use graphical environment.

Instrument Control Toolbox provides access to Keysight  $^{\text{\tiny TM}}$  Command Expert from MATLAB to control and script instrument actions. In addition, Keysight Command Expert generates MATLAB code that can be used from Instrument Control Toolbox. To learn more, see the documentation for Keysight Command Expert version 1.1 or later, or

https://www.mathworks.com/agilentcmdexpert

# **Exploring the Instrument Control Toolbox Software**

For a list of the toolbox functions, type

help instrument

For the code of a function, type

type function\_name

For help for any function, type

instrhelp function name

You can change the way any toolbox function works by copying and renaming the file, then modifying your copy. You can also extend the toolbox by adding your own files, or by using it in combination with other products such as MATLAB Report Generator $^{\text{\tiny TM}}$  or Data Acquisition Toolbox $^{\text{\tiny TM}}$  product.

To use the Instrument Control Toolbox product, you should be familiar with the:

- Basic features of MATLAB.
- Appropriate commands used to communicate with your instrument. These commands might use the SCPI language or they might be methods associated with an IVI, VXI*plug&play*, or MATLAB instrument driver.
- Features of the interface associated with your instrument.

## **Learning About the Instrument Control Toolbox Software**

Start with this set of topics, which describe how to examine your hardware resources, how to communicate with your instrument, how to get online help, and so on. Then click on the **Getting Started** link at the top of the page and read the topics contained there, which provide a framework for constructing instrument control applications. Depending on the interface used by your instrument, you might then want to read the appropriate interface-specific chapter.

If you want detailed information about a specific function, refer to the functions documentation. If you want detailed information about a specific property, refer to the properties documentation.

## **Using the Documentation Examples**

The examples in this guide use specific instruments such as a Tektronix® TDS 210 two-channel oscilloscope or a Keysight 33120A function generator. Additionally, the GPIB examples use a National Instruments™ GPIB controller and the serial port examples use the Windows® specific COM1 serial port. The string commands written to these instruments are often unique to the vendor, and the address information such as the board index or primary address associated with the hardware reflects a specific configuration.

These examples appear throughout the documentation. You should modify the examples to work with your specific hardware configuration.

# **About Instrument Control**

#### In this section...

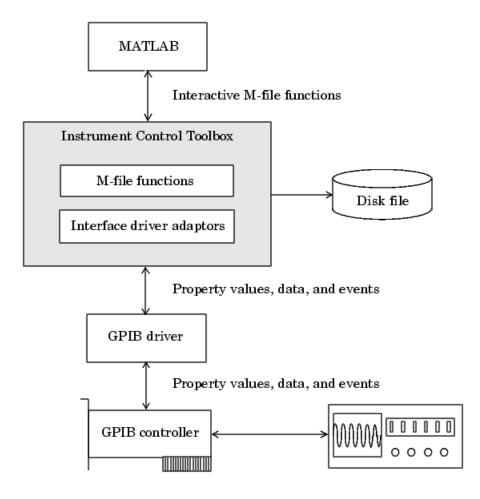
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# Passing Information Between the MATLAB Workspace and Your Instrument

Instrument Control Toolbox software consists of two distinct components: MATLAB functions and interface driver adaptors. These components allow you to pass information between the MATLAB workspace and your instrument. For example, the following diagram shows how information passes from the MATLAB software to an instrument via the GPIB driver and the GPIB controller.



This diagram illustrates how information flows from component to component. Information consists of

#### · Property values

You define the behavior of your instrument control application by configuring property values. In general, you can think of a property as a characteristic of the toolbox or of the instrument that can be configured to suit your needs.

#### Data

You can write data to the instrument and read data from the instrument. Data can be binary (numerical) or formatted as text. Writing text often involves writing string commands that change hardware settings, or prepare the instrument to return data or status information, while writing binary data involves writing numerical values such as calibration or waveform data.

#### Events

An event occurs after a condition is met and might result in one or more callbacks. Events can be generated only after you configure the associated properties. For example, you can use events to analyze data after a certain number of bytes are read from the instrument, or display a message to the MATLAB command line after an error occurs.

#### **MATLAB Functions**

To perform any task within your instrument control application, you must call MATLAB functions from the MATLAB workspace. Among other things, these functions allow you to:

- Create instrument objects, which provide a gateway to your instrument's capabilities and allow you to control the behavior of your application.
- Connect the object to the instrument.
- · Configure property values.
- Write data to the instrument, and read data from the instrument.
- Examine your hardware resources and evaluate your application status.

For a listing of all Instrument Control Toolbox software functions, refer to the functions documentation. You can also display the toolbox functions by typing

help instrument

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

# **Interface Driver Adaptor**

The interface driver adaptor (or just *adaptor*) is the link between the toolbox and the interface driver. The adaptor's main purpose is to pass information between the MATLAB workspace and the interface driver. Interface drivers are provided by your instrument vendor. For example, if you are communicating with an instrument using a National Instruments GPIB controller, then an interface driver such as NI-488.2 must be installed on your platform. Note that interface drivers are not installed as part of the Instrument Control Toolbox software.

Instrument Control Toolbox software provides adaptors for the GPIB interface and the VISA standard. The serial port, TCP/IP, and UDP interfaces do not require an adaptor.

#### **Interface Adaptors**

Interface	Adaptor Name
GPIB	keysight (note that agilent still also works), ics, mcc, ni
Serial port	N/A
TCP/IP	N/A
UDP	N/A
VISA standard	keysight (note that agilent still also works), ni, rs, tek

As described in "Examining Your Hardware Resources" on page 1-10, you can list the supported interfaces and adaptor names with the instrhwinfo function.

# **Installation Information**

#### In this section...

"Installation Requirements" on page 1-8

"Toolbox Installation" on page 1-8

"Hardware and Driver Installation" on page 1-8

## **Installation Requirements**

To communicate with your instrument from the MATLAB workspace, you must install these components:

- MATLAB
- Instrument Control Toolbox software

Additionally, you might need to install hardware such as a GPIB controller and vendor-specific software such as drivers, support libraries, and so on. For a complete list of all supported vendors, refer to "Interface Driver Adaptor" on page 1-6.

#### **Toolbox Installation**

To determine if Instrument Control Toolbox software is installed on your system, type

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at the MATLAB Command Window. The MATLAB Command Window displays information about the version of the MATLAB software you are running, including a list of installed add-on products and their version numbers. Check the list to see if Instrument Control Toolbox appears.

For information about installing the toolbox, refer to the installation documentation for your platform. If you experience installation difficulties, look for the installation and license information at the MathWorks® Web site (https://www.mathworks.com/support).

#### Hardware and Driver Installation

Installation of hardware devices such as GPIB controllers, instrument drivers, support libraries, and so on is described in the documentation provided by the instrument vendor. Many vendors provide the latest drivers through their Web site.

**Note** You must install all necessary device-specific software provided by the instrument vendor in addition to the Instrument Control Toolbox software.

# **Supported Hardware**

The following table lists the hardware support for the Instrument Control Toolbox. Notes follow the table.

Feature	64-bit MATLAB on Windows	64-bit MATLAB on macOS	64-bit MATLAB on Linux®
Serial	supported	supported	supported
TCP/IP	supported	supported	supported
UDP	supported	supported	supported
VISA <sup>3</sup>	supported <sup>1</sup>	supported on two vendors 1, 3	
GPIB <sup>4</sup>	supported <sup>1</sup>		
I2C <sup>5</sup>	supported <sup>1</sup>	supported <sup>1</sup>	supported <sup>1</sup>
SPI <sup>5</sup>	supported <sup>1</sup>	supported <sup>1</sup>	supported <sup>1</sup>
Quick-Control Oscilloscope and Quick- Control Function Generator	supported <sup>2</sup>	supported <sup>2</sup>	supported <sup>2</sup>
MATLAB Instrument Drivers	supported	supported	supported
MATLAB Instrument Drivers made using IVI- C drivers and Instrument Wrappers for IVI-C drivers	supported <sup>1</sup>		

#### **Table Notes**

- 1. Dependent on support by third-party vendor driver for the hardware on this platform.
- 2. Dependent on third-party vendor support of platform when using an IVI-driver with Quick-Control Oscilloscope or Quick-Control Function Generator.
- 3. Requires Keysight (formerly Agilent®), National Instruments, Rohde & Schwartz, or TAMS VISA compliant with VISA specification 5.0 or higher for any platform. Only National Instruments VISA and Rohde & Schwartz VISA are supported on macOS. The other vendors' VISA support does not include macOS.
- 4. Requires Keysight (formerly Agilent), ICS Electronics $^{\text{\tiny TM}}$ , Measurement Computing $^{\text{\tiny TM}}$  (MCC), ADLINK Technology, or National Instruments hardware and driver.
- 5. Requires Aardvark or National Instruments hardware and driver.

# **Examining Your Hardware Resources**

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### instrhwinfo Function" on page 1-10

#### Test & Measurement Tool" on page 1-13

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```

#### instrhwinfo Function

You can examine the hardware-related resources visible to the toolbox with the instrhwinfo function. The specific information returned by instrhwinfo depends on the supplied arguments, and is divided into these categories:

- "General Toolbox Information" on page 1-10
- "Interface Information" on page 1-10
- "Adaptor Information" on page 1-11
- "Instrument Object Information" on page 1-12
- "Installed Driver Information" on page 1-12

#### **General Toolbox Information**

For general information about the Instrument Control Toolbox, type:

instrhwinfo

```
MATLABVersion: '7.0 (R14)'
SupportedInterfaces: {'gpib' 'serial' 'visa' 'tcpip' 'udp'}
SupportedDrivers: {'matlab' 'vxipnp' 'ivi'}
ToolboxName: 'Instrument Control Toolbox'
ToolboxVersion: '2.0 (R14)'
```

The SupportedInterfaces and SupportedDrivers fields list the interfaces and drivers supported by the toolbox, and not necessarily those installed on your computer.

#### Interface Information

To display information about a specific interface, you supply the interface name as an argument to instrhwinfo. The interface name can be gpib, serial, tcpip, udp, or visa.

For the GPIB and VISA interfaces, the information includes installed adaptors. For the serial port interface, the information includes the available ports. For the TCP/IP and UDP interfaces, the information includes the local host address. For example, to display the GPIB interface information:

```
out = instrhwinfo('gpib')
out =

InstalledAdaptors: {'ics' 'ni'}
    JarFileVersion: 'Version 2.0 (R14)'
```

The InstalledAdaptors field indicates that ICS Electronics (ICS) and National Instruments drivers are installed. Therefore, you can communicate with instruments using GPIB controllers from these vendors.

#### **Adaptor Information**

To display information about a specific installed adaptor, you supply the interface name and the adaptor name as arguments to instrhwinfo.

<b>Interface Name</b>	Adaptor Name	
gpib	keysight (note that agilent still also works), ics, mcc, adlink, ni	
visa	keysight (note that agilent still also works), ni, rs, tek	

The returned information describes the adaptor, the vendor driver, and the object constructors. For example, to display information for the National Instruments GPIB adaptor,

The ObjectConstructorName field provides the syntax for creating a GPIB object for the National Instruments adaptor. In this example, the GPIB controller has board index 0 and the instrument has primary address 2.

The available VISA object constructor names are shown below.

VendorDriverVersion: 2.0500

SerialPorts: {2x1 cell}
VendorDllName: 'visa32.dll'
VendorDriverDescription: 'Tektronix VISA Driver'

```
vhwinfo.ObjectConstructorName
ans =
   'visa('tek', 'ASRL1::INSTR');'
   'visa('tek', 'ASRL2::INSTR');'
   'visa('tek', 'GPIB0::1::INSTR');'
```

The ObjectConstructorName field provides the syntax for creating a VISA object for the GPIB and serial port interfaces. In this example, the GPIB controller has board index 0 and the instrument has primary address 1.

```
vg = visa('tek','GPIB0::1::INSTR');
```

#### **Instrument Object Information**

To display information about a specific instrument object, you supply the object as an argument to instrhwinfo. For example, to display information for the GPIB object created in the ("Adaptor Information" on page 1-11), type:

To display information for the VISA-GPIB object created in the ("Adaptor Information" on page 1-11), type:

Alternatively, you can return hardware information via the Workspace browser by right-clicking an instrument object, and selecting **Display Hardware Info** from the context menu.

#### **Installed Driver Information**

To display information about a supported driver type, you supply the driver type as an argument to instrhwinfo. For example, to display information for the IVI configuration, type:

To display information about a specific driver or resource, you supply the driver name in addition to the type as an argument to instrhwinfo. For example, to display information about the ag3325b VXIplug&play driver:

DriverVersion: '4.1'

DriverDllName: 'C:\VXIPNP\WINNT\bin\ag3325b\_32.dll'

#### **Test & Measurement Tool**

You can use the Test & Measurement Tool (tmtool) to manage the resources of your instrument control session. You can use this tool to:

- · Search for installed adaptors.
- Examine available hardware.
- Examine installed drivers.
- Examine instrument objects.

To open the Test & Measurement Tool, type:

tmtool

#### **Hardware**

Expand the Hardware node in the tree to list the supported interfaces.

Right-click the Hardware node to scan for instrument hardware. The interface nodes expand to include entries for each instrument found by the scan.

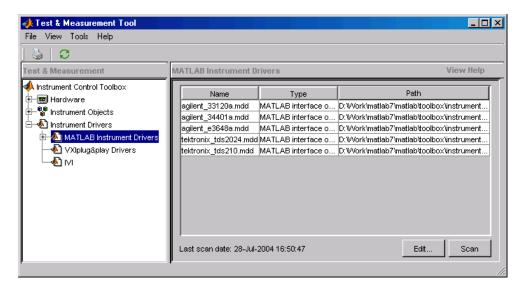


#### **Installed Drivers**

The Test & Measurement Tool can display your installed drivers. The three categories of drivers are MATLAB Instrument Drivers, VXIplug&play Drivers, and IVI, as shown below under the expanded Instrument Drivers node.

Right-click the Instrument Drivers node to scan for installed drivers. The driver-type nodes expand to include entries for each driver found by the scan. Note that for MATLAB instrument drivers and VXIplug&play drivers, the installation of a driver requires only the presence of a driver file. For

IVI, installation involves an IVI configuration store; see "Viewing the IVI Configuration Store" on page 1-14.



The Test & Measurement Tool GUI includes embedded help. For further details about the Test & Measurement Tool and its capabilities, see "Test & Measurement Tool Overview" on page 17-2.

#### Viewing the IVI Configuration Store

An IVI configuration store greatly enhances instrument interchangeability by providing the means to configure the relationship between drivers and I/O interface references outside of the application. For details of the components of an IVI configuration store, see "IVI Configuration Store" on page 13-12.

#### **Command-Line Configuration**

You can use command-line functions to examine and configure your IVI configuration store. To see what IVI configuration store elements are available, use instrhwinfo to identify the existing logical names.

Use instrhwinfo with a logical name as an argument to see the details of that logical name's configuration.

```
SupportedInstrumentModels: 'TekScope 5000, 6000 and 7000 series'
ModuleDescription: 'TekScope software module desc'
ModuleLocation: ''
```

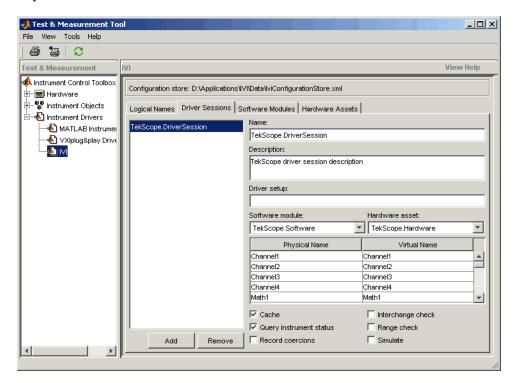
You create and configure elements in the IVI configuration store by using the IVI configuration store object functions add, commit, remove, and update. For further details, see the reference pages for these functions.

#### Using the Test & Measurement Tool

You can use the Test & Measurement Tool to examine or configure your IVI configuration store. To open the tool, type:

tmtool

Expand the Instrument Drivers node and click IVI.



You see a tab for each type of IVI configuration store element. This figure shows the available driver sessions in the current IVI configuration store. For the selected driver session, you can use any available software module or hardware asset. This figure shows the configuration for the driver session TekScope.DriverSession, which uses the software module TekScope.Software and the hardware asset TekScope.Hardware.

# **Communicating with Your Instrument**

# In this section... "Instrument Control Session Examples" on page 1-16 "Communicating with a GPIB Instrument" on page 1-16 "Communicating with a GPIB-VXI Instrument" on page 1-17 "Communicating with a Serial Port Instrument" on page 1-17

#### **Instrument Control Session Examples**

Each example illustrates a typical *instrument control session*. The instrument control session comprises all the steps you are likely to take when communicating with a supported instrument. You should keep these steps in mind when constructing your own instrument control applications.

"Communicating with a GPIB Instrument Using a Device Object" on page 1-18

The examples also use specific instrument addresses, SCPI commands, and so on. If your instrument requires different parameters, or if it does not support the SCPI language, you should modify the examples accordingly. For more information, see Using SCPI Commands on page 3-9.

If you want detailed information about any functions that are used, refer to the functions documentation. If you want detailed information about any properties that are used, refer to the properties documentation.

# Communicating with a GPIB Instrument

This example illustrates how to communicate with a GPIB instrument. The GPIB controller is a National Instruments AT-GPIB card. The instrument is a Keysight 33120A Function Generator, which is generating a 2 volt peak-to-peak signal.

You should modify this example to suit your specific instrument control application needs. If you want detailed information about communicating with an instrument via GPIB, refer to "GPIB Overview" on page 4-2.

**1** Create an interface object — Create the GPIB object g associated with a National Instruments GPIB board with board index 0, and an instrument with primary address 1.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
```

**2 Connect to the instrument** — Connect **g** to the instrument.

fopen(q)

**3 Configure property values** — Configure g to assert the EOI line when the line feed character is written to the instrument, and to complete read operations when the line feed character is read from the instrument.

```
g.EOSMode = 'read&write'
g.EOSCharCode = 'LF'
```

Write and read data — Change the instrument's peak-to-peak voltage to three volts by writing the Volt 3 command, query the peak-to-peak voltage value, and then read the voltage value.

```
fprintf(g,'Volt 3')
fprintf(g,'Volt?')
```

```
data = fscanf(g)
data =
+3.00000E+00
```

**5 Disconnect and clean up** — When you no longer need g, you should disconnect it from the instrument, remove it from memory, and remove it from the MATLAB workspace.

```
fclose(g)
delete(g)
clear g
```

#### Communicating with a GPIB-VXI Instrument

This example illustrates how to communicate with a VXI instrument via a GPIB controller using the VISA standard provided by Keysight.

The GPIB controller is a Keysight E1406A command module in VXI slot 0. The instrument is a Keysight E1441A Function/Arbitrary Waveform Generator in VXI slot 1, which is outputting a 2 volt peak-to-peak signal. The GPIB controller communicates with the instrument over the VXI backplane.

You should modify this example to suit your specific instrument control application needs. If you want detailed information about communicating with an instrument using VISA, refer to "Get Started with VISA" on page 5-2.

**1 Create an instrument object** — Create the VISA-GPIB-VXI object v associated with the E1441A instrument located in chassis 0 with logical address 80.

```
v = visa('keysight','GPIB-VXI0::80::INSTR');
```

**2** Connect to the instrument — Connect v to the instrument.

```
fopen(v)
```

**3 Configure property values** — Configure v to complete a read operation when the line feed character is read from the instrument.

```
v.EOSMode = 'read'
v.EOSCharCode = 'LF'
```

**4 Write and read data** — Change the instrument's peak-to-peak voltage to three volts by writing the Volt 3 command, query the peak-to-peak voltage value, and then read the voltage value.

```
fprintf(v,'Volt 3')
fprintf(v,'Volt?')
data = fscanf(v)
data =
+3.00000E+00
```

**Disconnect and clean up** — When you no longer need v, you should disconnect it from the instrument, remove it from memory, and remove it from the MATLAB workspace.

```
fclose(v)
delete(v)
clear v
```

# **Communicating with a Serial Port Instrument**

This example illustrates how to communicate with an instrument via the serial port. The instrument is a Tektronix TDS 210 two-channel digital oscilloscope connected to the serial port of a PC, and configured for a baud rate of 4800 and a carriage return (CR) terminator.

You should modify this example to suit your specific instrument control application needs. If you want detailed information about communicating with an instrument connected to the serial port, refer to "Serial Port Overview" on page 6-2.

**Note** This example is Windows specific.

**1 Create an instrument object** — Create the serial port object s associated with the COM1 serial port.

```
s = serial('COM1');
```

**2 Configure property values** — Configure **s** to match the instrument's baud rate and terminator.

```
s.BaudRate = 4800
s.Terminator = 'CR'
```

**3 Connect to the instrument** — Connect s to the instrument. This step occurs after property values are configured because serial port instruments can transfer data immediately after the connection is established.

```
fopen(s)
```

**4** Write and read data — Write the \*IDN? command to the instrument and then read back the result of the command. \*IDN? queries the instrument for identification information.

```
fprintf(s,'*IDN?')
out = fscanf(s)
out =
TEKTRONIX,TDS 210,0,CF:91.1CT FV:v1.16 TDS2CM:CMV:v1.04
```

**5 Disconnect and clean up** — When you no longer need s, you should disconnect it from the instrument, remove it from memory, and remove it from the MATLAB workspace.

```
fclose(s)
delete(s)
clear s
```

# Communicating with a GPIB Instrument Using a Device Object

This example illustrates how to communicate with a GPIB instrument through a device object. The GPIB controller is a Measurement Computing card, and the instrument is a Keysight 33120A Function Generator, which you set to produce a 1 volt peak-to-peak sine wave at 1,000 Hz. Device objects use instrument drivers; this example uses the driver agilent\_33120a.mdd.

You should modify this example to suit your specific instrument control application needs. If you want detailed information about communicating through device objects, see "Device Objects" on page 11-2.

1 Create instrument objects — Create the GPIB object g associated with a Measurement Computing GPIB board with board index 0, and an instrument with primary address 4. Then create the device object d associated with the interface object g, and with the instrument driver agilent\_33120a.mdd.

```
g = gpib('mcc',0,4);
d = icdevice('agilent_33120a.mdd',g);
```

**2** Connect to the instrument — Connect d to the instrument.

```
connect(d)
```

**3** Call device object method — Use the devicereset method to set the generator to a known configuration. The behavior of the generator for this method is defined in the instrument driver.

```
devicereset(d)
```

**4 Configure property values** — Configure d to set the amplitude and frequency for the signal from the function generator.

```
d.Amplitude = 1.00
d.AmplitudeUnits = 'vpp'
d.Frequency = 1000
```

**5 Disconnect and clean up** — When you no longer need d and g, you should disconnect from the instrument, remove the objects from memory, and remove them from the MATLAB workspace.

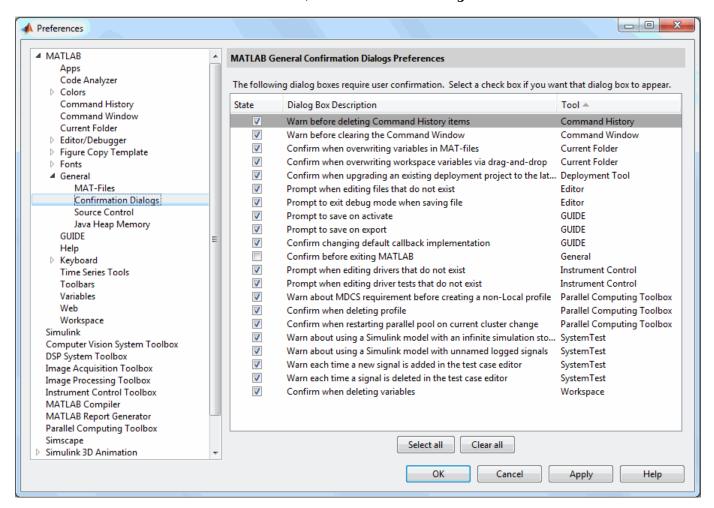
```
disconnect(d)
delete([d g])
clear d g
```

# **General Preferences for Instrument Control**

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#### **Accessing General Preferences**

You access the general preferences from MATLAB – on the **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Preferences**. In the Preferences dialog box, there are two options listed for Instrument Control under the **MATLAB** > **General** node, in **Confirmation Dialogs**.



#### **MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor**

The first option for Instrument Control is related to the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor (midedit).

When the option **Prompt when editing drivers that do not exist** is selected, if you open the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor while specifying a driver file that does not exist, you get a prompt asking if you want to create a new driver file.

For example, the command

midedit ('newdriver')

generates the prompt



If you select **Do not show this prompt again**, the corresponding check box in the Preferences dialog box is cleared, in which case the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor creates new driver files without prompting. To reactivate the prompt, select the option on the Preferences dialog box.

#### **MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool**

The second option for Instrument Control is related to the MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool (midtest).

When the option **Prompt when editing driver tests that do not exist** is selected, if you open the MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool while specifying a driver test file that does not exist, you get a prompt asking if you want to create a new test file.

For example, the command

midtest ('newtest')

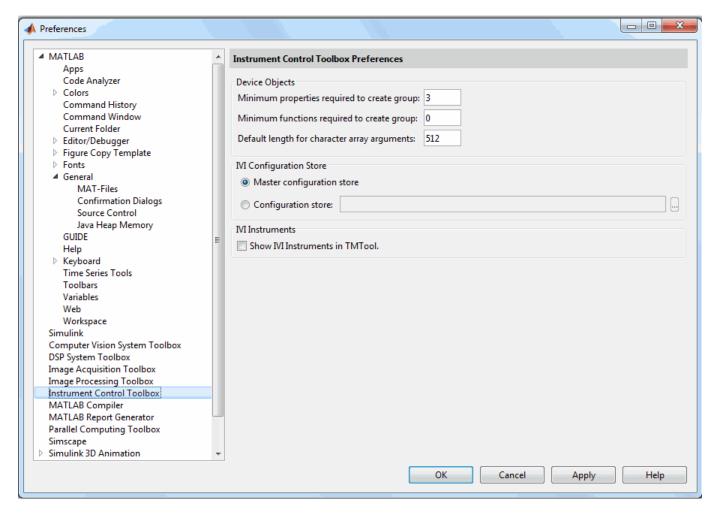
generates the prompt



If you select **Do not show this prompt again**, the corresponding check box in the Preferences dialog box is cleared, in which case the MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool creates new driver test files without prompting. To reactivate the prompt, check the option on the Preferences dialog box.

#### **Device Objects**

You access other Instrument Control Preferences by selecting the **Instrument Control Toolbox** node in the tree.



The **Device Objects** section of the dialog box contains preferences related to the construction and use of device objects for VXI*plug&play* and IVI-C drivers.

Here you set the minimum number of properties and functions required to create a device object group, and the default size of character arrays passed as output arguments to device object functions.

Set the default size for these character arrays in the Preferences dialog box to ensure that they are large enough to accommodate any string returned to them by any device object functions. You can reduce the default character array size to avoid unnecessary memory usage, as long as they are still large enough to accommodate any expected strings.

# **IVI Configuration Store**

The **IVI Configuration Store** section of the dialog box contains preferences related to the construction and use of IVI configuration store objects when you are working in the Command Window or in the **Test and Measurement Tool**.

You can select either a master configuration store or a user-defined configuration store. If you choose a user-defined configuration store, you must provide its file name.

#### **IVI Instruments**

You can use the IVI-C Wrappers functionality from the Test & Measurement Tool. View the IVI-C nodes in the Tool by selecting this **Show IVI Instruments in TMTool** preference in MATLAB.

For more information, see "IVI-C Class-Compliant Drivers in Test & Measurement Tool" on page 13-5.

# **Interface and Property Help**

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#### instrhelp Function

You can use the instrhelp function to:

- · Display command-line help for functions and properties.
- · List all the functions and properties associated with a specific instrument object.

An instrument object is not only for you to obtain this information, but also to display all functions and properties associated with the object, as well as the constructor help. For example, to see this information for a GPIB object, type:

```
instrhelp gpib
```

To display help for the **EOIMode** property, type:

```
instrhelp E0IMode
```

You can also display help for an existing instrument object. For example, to display help for the MemorySpace property associated with a VISA-GPIB-VXI object, type:

```
v = visa('keysight','GPIB-VXI0::80::INSTR');
out = instrhelp(v,'MemorySpace');
```

Alternatively, you can display help via the Workspace browser by right-clicking an instrument object and selecting **Instrument Help** from the context menu.

# propinfo Function

You can use the propinfo function to return the characteristics of the Instrument Control Toolbox properties. For example, you can find the default value for any property using this function. propinfo returns a structure containing the following fields:

Field Name	Description
Туре	The property data type. Possible values are any, ASCII value, callback, double, string, and struct.
Constraint	The type of constraint on the property value. Possible values are ASCII value, bounded, callback, enum, and none.

Field Name	Description
ConstraintValue	The property value constraint. The constraint can be a range of values or a list of character vector values.
DefaultValue	The property default value.
ReadOnly	The condition under which a property is read only. Possible values are always, never, whileOpen, and whileRecording.
InterfaceSpecific	If the property is interface-specific, a $\bf 1$ is returned. If the property is supported for all interfaces, a $\bf 0$ is returned.

For example, to display the property characteristics for the EOIMode property associated with the GPIB object g,

This information tells you the following:

- The property value data type is a character vector.
- The property value is constrained as an enumerated list of values.
- There are two possible property values.
- The default value is on.
- The property can be configured at any time (it is never read-only).
- The property is not supported for all interfaces.

To display the property value constraints,

```
E0Iinfo.ConstraintValue
ans =
    'on'
    'off'
```

# instrsupport Function

Execute this function to get diagnostic information for all installed hardware adaptors on your system. The information is stored in a text file, instrsupport.txt in your current folder and you can use this information to troubleshoot issues.

# **Overview Help**

The overview help lists the toolbox functions grouped by usage. You can display this information by typing

help instrument

For the code for any function, type

type function\_name

#### **Documentation Examples**

This guide provides detailed examples that show you how to communicate with all supported interface types. These examples are contained in all the appropriate sections throughout the documentation. For example, in the sections about Bluetooth communication, you will find examples of communicating with Bluetooth instruments.

The examples use specific peripheral instruments, GPIB controllers, string commands, address information, and so on. If your instrument accepts different string commands, or if your hardware is configured to use different address information, you should modify the examples accordingly.

There are also some examples that show special applications of the Toolbox or show complete workflows of certain features or interfaces. These appear in the **Examples** list at the top of the Instrument Control Toolbox Documentation Center main page. You do not need an instrument connected to your computer to use these tutorials as they use prerecorded data.

#### **Online Support**

For online support of Instrument Control Toolbox software, visit the Web site https://www.mathworks.com/support/. This site includes documentation, examples, solutions, downloads, system requirements, and contact information.

# **Instrument Control Session**

The instrument control session consists of the steps you are likely to take when communicating with your instrument. This chapter highlights some of the differences between interface objects and device objects for each of these steps, to help you decide which to use in communicating with your instrument. Whether you use interface objects or device objects, the basic steps of the instrument control session remain the same, as outlined in this chapter.

- "Creating Instrument Objects" on page 2-2
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# **Creating Instrument Objects**

#### In this section...

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#### Overview

Instrument objects are the toolbox components you use to access your instrument. They provide a gateway to the functionality of your instrument and allow you to control the behavior of your application. The Instrument Control Toolbox software supports two types of instrument objects:

- Interface objects are associated with a specific interface standard such as GPIB or VISA. They allow you to communicate with any instrument connected to the interface.
- Device objects are associated with a MATLAB instrument driver. They allow you to communicate with your instrument using properties and functions defined in the driver for a specific instrument model.

#### **Interface Objects**

An interface object represents a channel of communication. For example, an interface object might represent a device at address 4 on the GPIB, even though there is nothing specific about what kind of instrument this may be.

To create an instrument object, call the constructor for the type of interface (gpib, serialport, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, or visadev), and provide appropriate interface information, such as address for GPIB, remote host for TCP/IP, or port number for serial.

For detailed information on interface objects and how to create and use them, see "Create Interface Object" on page 3-2.

# **Device Objects**

A device object represents an instrument rather than an interface. As part of that representation, a device object must also be aware of the instrument driver.

You create a device object with the icdevice function. A device object requires a MATLAB instrument driver and some form of instrument interface, which can be an interface object, a VISA resource name, or an interface implied in an IVI configuration.

For detailed information on device objects and how to create and use them, see "Device Objects" on page 11-2.

# **Connecting to the Instrument**

Before you can use an instrument object to write or read data, you must connect it to the instrument. You connect an interface object to the instrument with the fopen function; you connect a device object to the instrument with the connect function.

You can examine the Status property to verify that the instrument object is connected to the instrument.

obj.Status
ans =
open

Some properties of the object are read-only while the object is connected and must be configured before connecting. Examples of interface object properties that are read-only when the object is connected include InputBufferSize and OutputBufferSize. You can determine when a property is configurable with the propinfo function or by referring to the properties documentation.

# **Configuring and Returning Properties**

#### In this section...

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"Returning Property Names and Property Values" on page 2-4

"Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4

"Property Inspector" on page 2-6

#### **Configuring Property Names and Property Values**

You establish the desired instrument object behavior by configuring property values. You can configure property values using the set function or the dot notation, or by specifying property name/property value pairs during object creation. You can return property values using the get function or the dot notation.

Interface objects possess two types of properties: base properties and interface-specific properties. (These properties pertain only to the interface object itself and to the interface, not to the instrument.) Base properties are supported for all interface objects (serial port, GPIB, VISA-VXI, and so on), while interface-specific properties are supported only for objects of a given interface type. For example, the BaudRate property is supported only for serial port and VISA-serial objects.

Device objects also possess two types of properties: base properties and device-specific properties. While device objects possess base properties pertaining to the object and interface, they also possess any number of device-specific properties as defined in the instrument driver for configuring the instrument. For example, a device object representing an oscilloscope might posses such properties as DisplayContrast, InputRange, and MeasurementMode. When you set these properties you are directly configuring the oscilloscope settings.

# **Returning Property Names and Property Values**

Once the instrument object is created, you can use the set function to return all its configurable properties to a variable or to the command line. Additionally, if a property has a finite set of character vector values, set returns these values.

# **Using Tab Completion for Functions**

To get a list of options you can use on the function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For example, when you create a **gpib** object, you can get a list of installed vendors:

```
g = gpib('
```

When you press **Tab** after the parentheses and single quote, as shown here, the list of installed GPIB vendors displays, such as keysight, ics, mcc, and ni.

The format for the GPIB object constructor function is:

```
g = gpib('vendor',boardindex,primaryaddress)
```

When you press **Tab** where a field should appear, you get the list of options for that field. The other interface objects, such as Bluetooth, Serial, TCP/IP, etc., also include this capability on their object constructor functions.

You can also get the values for property-value pairs. For example, to get the possible terminator values when creating a serial object, type:

```
s = serial('COM1','Terminator','
```

Press **Tab** after typing the single quote after **Terminator** to get the possible values for that property, as shown here.

Many of the other toolbox functions also have tab completion. For example, when using the fread function you can specify the precision type using tab completion.

```
data = fread(s, 256, '
```

Press **Tab** after typing the single quote after the size (256 values in this example), since precision is the next argument the fread function takes, to get the possible values for the precision types, such as 'double', 'int16', etc.

```
>>
 >> s = serial('COM1')
    Serial Port Object : Serial-COM1
    Communication Settings
       Port:
                            COM1
       BaudRate:
                             9600
                             'LF'
       Terminator:
    Communication State
       Status:
       RecordStatus:
                          double
    Read/Write State
                          float
       TransferStatus:
                          float32
       BytesAvailable:
                          float64
       ValuesReceived:
                          int
       ValuesSent:
                          int16
                          int32
 >> data = fread(s,256,'
```

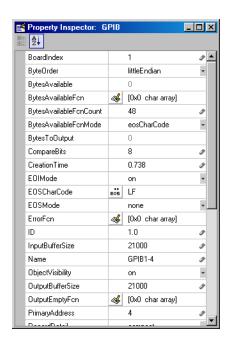
When the list of possible values is long, a scroll bar appears in the pop-up window, as shown in this example.

# **Property Inspector**

The Property Inspector enables you to inspect and set properties for one or more instrument objects. It provides a list of all properties and displays their current values.

Settable properties in the list are associated with an editing device that is appropriate for the values accepted by the particular property. For example, a callback configuration GUI to set ErrorFcn, a pop-up menu to set RecordMode, and a text field to specify the TimerPeriod. The values for read-only properties are grayed out.

You open the Property Inspector with the inspect function. Alternatively, you can open the Property Inspector via the Workspace browser by right-clicking an instrument object and selecting **Call Property Inspector** from the context menu, or by double-clicking the object.



# **Communicating with Your Instrument**

#### In this section...

"Interface Objects and Instrument Commands" on page 2-8

"Device Objects and Instrument Drivers" on page 2-8

#### **Interface Objects and Instrument Commands**

Communicating with your instrument involves sending and receiving commands, settings, responses, and data. The level of communication depends on the type of instrument object you use.

To communicate through the interface object, you need to send instrument commands, and you receive information as the instrument sends it. Therefore, you have to know the syntax specific to the instrument itself. For example, if the instrument requires the command '\*RST' to initiate its action, then that is exactly the command that must be sent to the interface object.

Text commands and binary data are sent directly to the instrument and received from the instrument with such functions as fprintf, fwrite, fgets, fread, and others.

#### **Device Objects and Instrument Drivers**

To communicate through a device object, you access object properties with the set and get commands, and you execute driver functions with the invoke command. The invoke command for a device object employs methods and arguments defined by the instrument driver. So using device objects does not require you to use instrument-specific commands and syntax.

For information on creating, editing, and importing instrument drivers, see "MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor Overview" on page 18-2.

# **Disconnecting and Cleaning Up**

#### In this section...

"Disconnecting an Instrument Object" on page 2-9

"Cleaning Up the MATLAB Workspace" on page 2-9

#### **Disconnecting an Instrument Object**

When you no longer need to communicate with the instrument, you should disconnect the object. Interface objects are disconnected with the fclose function; device objects are disconnected with the disconnect function.

You can examine the Status property to verify that the object is disconnected from the instrument.

obj.Status
ans =
closed

#### Cleaning Up the MATLAB Workspace

When you no longer need the instrument object, you should remove it from memory with the delete function.

delete(obj)

A deleted instrument object is *invalid*, which means that you cannot connect it to the instrument. In this case, you should remove the object from the MATLAB workspace. To remove instrument objects and other variables from the MATLAB workspace, use the clear command.

clear obj

If you use clear on an object that is connected to an instrument, the object is removed from the workspace but remains connected to the instrument. You can restore cleared instrument objects to the MATLAB workspace with the instrind function.

# **Summary**

#### In this section...

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"When to Use Interface Objects" on page 2-10

#### **Advantages of Using Device Objects**

Should you use interface objects or device objects to communicate with your instrument? Generally, device objects make instrument control easier and they offer greater flexibility to the user compared to using interface objects.

Because of the advantages offered by using device objects for communicating with your instrument, you should use device objects whenever possible. Some of these advantages are

- You do not need to know instrument-specific commands
- You can use standard VXI*plug&play* or IVI instrument drivers provided by your instrument vendor or other party
- You can use a MATLAB instrument driver to control your instrument. To get a MATLAB instrument driver, you can
  - Convert a VXIplug&play or IVI driver
  - Use a MATLAB driver that is shipped with the toolbox
  - Create it yourself or modify a similar driver
  - Install it from a third party, such as MATLAB Central

You can create, convert, or customize a MATLAB instrument driver with the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor tool (midedit).

# When to Use Interface Objects

In some circumstances, using device objects to communicate with your instrument would be impossible or impractical. You might need to use interface objects if

- Your instrument does not have a standard instrument driver supported by the Instrument Control Toolbox software.
- You are using a streaming application (typically serial, UDP, or TCP/IP interface) to notify you of some occurrence.
- Your application requires frequent changes to communication channel settings.

# **Instrument Control Toolbox Properties**

The following properties are available in the toolbox.

- ActualLocation
- Alias
- · BaudRate
- BoardIndex
- BreakInterruptFcn
- BusManagementStatus
- ByteOrder
- BytesAvailableFcn
- BytesAvailableFcnCount
- BytesAvailableFcnMode
- BytesToOutput
- ChassisIndex
- CompareBits
- ConfirmationFcn
- DataBits
- DatagramAddress
- DatagramPort
- DatagramReceivedFcn
- DatagramTerminateMode
- DataTerminalReady
- DriverName
- DriverSessions
- DriverType
- EOIMode
- EOSCharCode
- EOSMode
- ErrorFcn
- FlowControl
- · HandshakeStatus
- HardwareAssets
- HwIndex
- HwName
- InputBufferSize
- InputDatagramPacketSize
- InstrumentModel
- Interface

- InterfaceIndex
- InterruptFcn
- LANName
- LocalHost
- LocalPort
- LocalPortMode
- LogicalAddress
- LogicalName
- LogicalNames
- ManufacturerID
- MappedMemoryBase
- MappedMemorySize
- MasterLocation
- MemoryBase
- MemoryIncrement
- MemorySize
- MemorySpace
- ModelCode
- Name
- NetworkRole
- ObjectVisibility
- OutputBufferSize
- OutputDatagramPacketSize
- OutputEmptyFcn
- Parent
- Parity
- PinStatus
- PinStatusFcn
- Port
- PrimaryAddress
- ProcessLocation
- PublishedAPIs
- ReadAsyncMode
- RecordDetail
- RecordMode
- RecordName
- RecordStatus
- RemoteHost
- RemotePort

- RequestToSend
- Revision
- RsrcName
- SecondaryAddress
- SerialNumber
- ServerDescription
- Sessions
- Slot
- SoftwareModules
- SpecificationVersion
- Status
- StopBits
- Tag
- Terminator
- Timeout
- TimerFcn
- TimerPeriod
- TransferDelay
- TransferStatus
- TriggerFcn
- TriggerLine
- TriggerType
- Type
- UserData
- ValuesReceived
- ValuesSent
- Vendor

# **Using Interface Objects**

The instrument control session using interface objects consists of all the steps described in the following sections.

- "Create Interface Object" on page 3-2
- "Configure and Return Properties" on page 3-3
- "Write and Read Data" on page 3-5
- "Use SCPI Commands" on page 3-9

# **Create Interface Object**

#### **Connect to Instrument**

An interface object represents a connection to an instrument over one of the supported interfaces. The following instrument communication interfaces are supported.

- "Serial Port Interface"
- "TCP/IP Interface"
- "UDP Interface"
- "VISA Interface"

Create a connection to an instrument by calling the following object creation functions.

#### **Interface Object Creation Functions**

Constructor	Description
serialport	Create a serial port object.
tcpclient, tcpserver	Create a TCP/IP client or server object.
udpport	Create a UDP object.
visadev	Create a VISA-TCP/IP, VISA-Socket, VISA-USB, VISA-GPIB, VISA-Serial, VISA-VXI, or VISA-PXI object.

# **Configure Properties**

Instrument objects contain properties that reflect the functionality of your instrument. You control the behavior of your instrument control application by configuring values for these properties.

As described in "Configure and Return Properties" on page 3-3, you can configure certain properties during object creation using name-value pairs. You can also set properties after object creation using dot notation. To configure callback properties, you must use the configureCallback and configureTerminator functions.

#### See Also

serialport | tcpclient | tcpserver | udpport | visadev

#### **Related Examples**

- "Configure and Return Properties" on page 3-3
- "Write and Read Data" on page 3-5

# **Configure and Return Properties**

Establish the desired instrument object behavior by configuring property values. You can configure property values using dot notation or by specifying name-value arguments during object creation. You can return property values using dot notation.

#### **Set Property Values During Object Creation and View Properties**

You can set certain property values using name-value arguments during instrument object creation. For example, set the serialport object property Timeout during object creation.

You can set multiple property values during object creation using the name-value argument syntax.

Once the instrument object is created, you can return properties. For example, the properties for the serialport object s are shown as follows. Click Show all properties to view all properties of s and their values.

```
Serialport with properties:
                Port: "COM4"
           BaudRate: 9600
  NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, all methods
                     Port: "COM4"
                 BaudRate: 9600
       NumBytesAvailable: 0
                ByteOrder: "little-endian"
                 DataBits: 8
                 StopBits: 1
              Parity: "none" FlowControl: "none"
                  Timeout: 20
               Terminator: "LF"
   BytesAvailableFcnMode: "off"
  BvtesAvailableFcnCount: 64
       BytesAvailableFcn: []
         NumBytesWritten: 0
```

```
ErrorOccurredFcn: []
    UserData: []
```

You can find a full list of properties, which ones you can configure, and how to configure them in the respective interface object documentation:

- serialport Properties on page 23-352
- tcpclient Properties on page 23-377
- tcpserver Properties on page 23-390
- udpport Properties on page 23-407
- · visadev Properties on page 23-424

#### **Set Property Values**

To display the current value for one property, use dot notation with the property name.

#### s.Timeout

```
ans = 20
```

Configure property values using dot notation.

```
device.ByteOrder = "big-endian"
```

You can also configure certain properties during object creation using optional name-value arguments.

```
device = serialport("COM4",9600,DataBits=5);
```

Use configureTerminator to set the Terminator property. This property cannot be set using name-value arguments or dot notation.

```
configureTerminator(device, "CR/LF")
```

Callback properties must be configured using the configureCallback function. Use configureCallback to set the BytesAvailableFcnMode, BytesAvailableFcn, and BytesAvailableFcnCount properties. These properties cannot be set using name-value arguments or dot notation.

```
configureCallback(device, "terminator", @callbackFcn)
configureCallback(device, "byte", 50, @callbackFcn)
```

#### See Also

```
serialport | tcpclient | tcpserver | udpport | visadev
```

# Related Examples

- "Create Interface Object" on page 3-2
- "Write and Read Data" on page 3-5

#### **Write and Read Data**

#### **Before Performing Write or Read Operations**

Communicating with your instrument involves writing and reading data. For example, you might write a text command to a function generator that queries its peak-to-peak voltage, and then read back the voltage value as a double-precision array.

Before performing a write or read operation, consider the following:

- The Instrument Control Toolbox automatically manages the data transferred between the MATLAB workspace and the instrument. For many common applications, you can ignore the buffering and data flow process. However, if you are transferring a large number of values or debugging your application, you might need to be aware of how this process works.
- For many instruments, writing text data means writing string commands that change instrument settings, prepare the instrument to return data or status information, and so on. You can use the writeline function to write text data and the write terminator value is automatically appended to the data being written.
- Writing binary data means writing numerical values to the instrument such as calibration or waveform data. You can use the write function to write numeric or text data.
- You can also write binary data as a block of values. Use the writebinblock function to write a binblock of data.
- Read operations in the Instrument Control Toolbox are synchronous. A synchronous operation blocks access to the command line until the read operation completes execution.
  - When you call read, the function suspends MATLAB execution until the specified number of values is read or a timeout occurs.
  - When you call readline, the function suspends MATLAB execution until a terminator is read or a timeout occurs.
  - When you call readbinblock, the function suspends MATLAB execution until the number of values specified in the binblock is read or a timeout occurs.

# **Writing Data**

#### **Functions Associated with Writing Data**

Function Name	Description
write	Write binary data to the instrument
writeline	Write a line of ASCII data to the instrument
writebinblock	Write one binblock of data to the instrument
writeread	Write command and read response

**Note** The writebinblock function is not available for the udpport interface. The writeread function is not available for the tcpserver and udpport interfaces.

#### **Properties Associated with Writing Data**

Property Name	Description
	Allowed time to complete write and read operations
Terminator	Terminator character for writing and reading text data
NumBytesWritten	Total number of bytes written

You can modify the value of Timeout using dot notation and Terminator using the configureTerminator function. NumBytesWritten is a read-only property.

#### Writing Text Data Versus Writing Binary Data

For many instruments, writing text data means writing string commands that change instrument settings, prepare the instrument to return data or status information, and so on. Writing binary data means writing numerical values to the instrument such as calibration or waveform data.

You can write text data with the writeline function. The writeline function formats the data as a string and automatically appends the terminator. You can write binary data with the write function. The write function writes data as uint8 by default, but you can specify other data types using a name-value argument.

The following example illustrates writing text data and binary data to a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope. The text data consists of string commands, while the binary data is a waveform that is to be downloaded to the scope and stored in its memory:

**1 Create an instrument object** — Create the VISA-GPIB object **g** associated with a National Instruments GPIB controller with board index 0 and an instrument with primary address 1.

```
g = visadev("GPIB0::1::0::INSTR");
```

**Write data** — Write string commands using writeline to configure the scope to store binary waveform data in memory location A.

```
writeline(g, "DATA: DESTINATION REFA");
writeline(g, "DATA: ENCDG SRPbinary");
writeline(g, "DATA: WIDTH 1");
writeline(g, "DATA: START 1");

Create the waveform data.

t = linspace(0,25,2500);
data = round(sin(t)*90 + 127);

Write the binary waveform data to the scope using write.

cmd = double('CURVE #42500');
write(g,[cmd data]);
```

The NumBytesWritten property indicates the total number of bytes that were written to the instrument.

```
g.NumBytesWritten
```

```
ans =
```

2581

**Disconnect and clean up** — Use clear to disconnect the instrument from the VISA-GPIB object g and to clear it from the MATLAB workspace when you are done working with it.

clear q

#### **Reading Data**

#### **Functions Associated with Reading Data**

Function Name	Description
read	Read binary data from the instrument
readline	Read a line of ASCII data from the instrument
readbinblock	Read one binblock of data from the instrument
writeread	Write ASCII command and read response

**Note** The readbinblock function is not available for the udpport interface. The writeread function is not available for the tcpserver and udpport interfaces.

#### **Properties Associated with Reading Data**

Property Name	Description
	Allowed time to complete write and read operations
Terminator	Terminator character for writing and reading text data
NumBytesAvailable	Number of bytes available to read

You can modify the value of Timeout using dot notation and Terminator using the configureTerminator function. NumBytesAvailable is a read-only property.

#### Reading Text Data Versus Reading Binary Data

For many instruments, reading text data means reading string data that reflect instrument settings, status information, and so on. Reading binary data means reading numerical values from the instrument.

You can read text data with the readline function. The readline function reads data until the first occurrence of the terminator and returns it as a string without the terminator. You can read binary data with the read function. The read function returns a specified number of values as uint8 data by default, but you can specify other data types using a name-value argument.

The following example illustrates reading text data and binary data from a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope, which is displaying a periodic input signal with a nominal frequency of 1.0 kHz.

**1 Create an instrument object** — Create the VISA-GPIB object g associated with a National Instruments GPIB controller with board index 0 and an instrument with primary address 1.

```
g = visadev("GPIB0::1::0::INSTR");
```

**2** Write and read data — Write the \*IDN? command to the instrument using writeline, and then read back the result of the command using readline.

```
writeline(g,"*IDN?")
g.NumBytesAvailable

ans =
     56
idn = readline(g)
idn =
     "TEKTRONIX,TDS 210,0,CF:91.1CT FV:v1.16 TDS2CM:CMV:v1.04"
```

You can also use the writeread function to perform the same operation. Write the command to your instrument and read the response.

```
idn = writeread(g,"*IDN?")
idn =
    "TEKTRONIX,TDS 210,0,CF:91.1CT FV:v1.16 TDS2CM:CMV:v1.04"
```

**Note** The writeread function is not available for the tcpserver and udpport interfaces.

Configure the scope to return the period of the input signal. Use read to read the period as a string.

```
writeline(g,"MEASUREMENT:MEAS1:TYPE PERIOD")
writeline(g,"MEASUREMENT:MEAS1:VALUE?")
period = read(g,9,"string")

period =
   "1.006E-3"
```

**Disconnect and clean up** — Use clear to disconnect the instrument from the VISA-GPIB object g and to clear it from the MATLAB workspace when you are done working with it.

```
clear g
```

#### See Also

serialport | tcpclient | tcpserver | udpport | visadev

#### **Related Examples**

- "Create Interface Object" on page 3-2
- "Configure and Return Properties" on page 3-3
- "Use SCPI Commands" on page 3-9

# **Use SCPI Commands**

Standard Commands for Programmable Instruments, or SCPI commands, are an ASCII-based set of pre-defined commands and responses. They use the same data format across all SCPI compliant instruments. You can use SCPI commands with the Instrument Control Toolbox and the MATLAB programming environment to control multiple instruments using similar functions. You can access a common functionality in instruments without changing your programming environment. SCPI commands are simple and flexible and accept a range of parameter formats. This allows you to easily program your instrument. The response to SCPI commands can be status information or data. You can define the format of the data independently of the device or the measurement. For more information refer to the IVI Foundation SCPI Specifications.

Use the writeline function on instrument objects to send SCPI commands. Then, use the readline function to read the response. You can also use the writeread function to send SCPI commands that require a response.

#### **Commonly Used SCPI Commands**

Commands	Functionality	
*CLS	Clear the status	
*ESE	Enable standard event	
*ESE?	Query if event is enabled and standard	
*ESR?	Query standard event status register	
*IDN?	Query instrument identification	
*OPC	Operation complete	
*OPC?	Query if operation is complete	
*RST	Instrument reset	
*SRE	Enable service request	
*SRE?	Query id service request is enabled	
*STB?	Query read of status byte	
*TST?	Query instrument self test	
*WAI	Wait to continue	

### See Also

serialport | tcpclient | tcpserver | udpport | visadev

## **Related Examples**

• "Create Interface Object" on page 3-2

# **Controlling Instruments Using GPIB**

This chapter describes specific issues related to controlling instruments that use the GPIB interface.

- "GPIB Overview" on page 4-2
- "Write and Read GPIB Data" on page 4-10
- "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16

# **GPIB Overview**

### In this section...

"What Is GPIB?" on page 4-2

"Important GPIB Features" on page 4-2

"GPIB Lines" on page 4-3

"Status and Event Reporting" on page 4-6

#### What Is GPIB?

GPIB is a standardized interface that allows you to connect and control multiple devices from various vendors. GPIB is also referred to by its original name HP-IB, or by its IEEE designation IEEE-488. GPIB functionality has evolved over time, and is described in several specifications:

- The IEEE 488.1-1975 specification defines the electrical and mechanical characteristics of the interface and its basic functional characteristics.
- The IEEE-488.2-1987 specification builds on the IEEE 488.1 specification to define an acceptable minimum configuration and a basic set of instrument commands and common data formats.
- The Standard Commands for Programmable Instrumentation (SCPI) specification builds on the commands given by the IEEE 488.2 specification to define a standard instrument command set that can be used by GPIB or other interfaces.

For many GPIB applications, you can communicate with your instrument without detailed knowledge of how GPIB works. Communication is established through a VISA-GPIB object, which you create using visadev.

If your application is straightforward, or if you are already familiar with the GPIB specifications, you can begin with "Get Started with GPIB Interface" on page 5-11. If you want a high-level description of all the steps you are likely to take when communicating with your instrument, refer to "Creating Instrument Objects" on page 2-2.

Some of the GPIB functionality is required for all GPIB devices, while other GPIB functionality is optional. Additionally, many devices support only a subset of the SCPI command set, or use a different vendor-specific command set. Refer to your device documentation for a complete list of its GPIB capabilities and its command set.

# **Important GPIB Features**

The important GPIB features are described in the following sections. For detailed information about GPIB functionality, see the appropriate references in the Appendix A.

#### **Bus and Connector**

The GPIB bus is a cable with two 24-pin connectors that allow you to connect multiple devices to each other. The bus and connector have these features and limitations:

- You can connect up to 15 devices to a bus.
- You can connect devices in a star configuration, a linear configuration, or a combination of configurations.

• To achieve maximum data transfer rates, the cable length should not exceed 20 meters total or an average of 2 meters per device. You can eliminate these restrictions by using a bus extender.

#### **GPIB Devices**

Each GPIB device must be some combination of a *Talker*, a *Listener*, or a *Controller*. A Controller is typically a board that you install in your computer. Talkers and Listeners are typically instruments such as oscilloscopes, function generators, multimeters, and so on. Most modern instruments are both Talkers and Listeners.

- Talkers A Talker transmits data over the interface when addressed to talk by the Controller. A
  GPIB system can contain only one Talker at a time.
- Listeners A Listener receives data over the interface when addressed to listen by the Controller. A GPIB system can contain up to 14 Listeners at a given time. Typically, the Controller is a Talker while one or more instruments on the GPIB are Listeners.
- Controllers The Controller specifies which devices are Talkers or Listeners. A GPIB system can
  contain multiple Controllers. One of them is designated the System Controller. However, only one
  Controller can be active at a given time. The current active controller is the Controller-In-Charge
  (CIC). The CIC can pass control to an idle Controller, but only the System Controller can make
  itself the CIC.

When the Controller is not sending messages, then a Talker can send messages. Typically, the CIC is a Listener while another device is enabled as a Talker.

Each Controller is identified by a unique board index number. Each Talker/Listener is identified by a unique primary address ranging from 0 to 30, and by an optional secondary address, which can be 0 or can range from 96 to 126.

#### **GPIB Data**

Two types of data can be transferred over GPIB, instrument data and interface messages:

- Instrument data Instrument data consists of vendor-specific commands that configure your instrument, return measurement results, and so on. For a complete list of commands supported by your instrument, refer to its documentation.
- Interface messages Interface messages are defined by the GPIB standard and consist of commands that clear the GPIB bus, address devices, return self-test results, and so on.

Data transfer consists of one byte (8 bits) sent in parallel. The data transfer rate across the interface is limited to 1 megabyte per second. However, this data rate is usually not achieved in practice, and is limited by the slowest device on the bus.

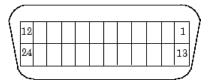
#### **GPIB Lines**

GPIB consists of 24 lines, which are shared by all instruments connected to the bus. 16 lines are used for signals, while eight lines are for ground. The signal lines are divided into these groups:

- Eight data lines
- Five interface management lines
- · Three handshake lines

The signal lines use a low-true (negative) logic convention with TTL levels. This convention means that a line is low (true or asserted) when it is a TTL low level, and a line is high (false or unasserted)

when it is a TTL high level. The pin assignment scheme for a GPIB connector is shown in the following figure and table.



### **GPIB Pin and Signal Assignments**

Pin	Label	Signal Name	Pin	Label	Signal Name
1	DIO1	Data transfer	13	DIO5	Data transfer
2	DIO2	Data transfer	14	DIO6	Data transfer
3	DIO3	Data transfer	15	DIO7	Data transfer
4	DIO4	Data transfer	16	DIO8	Data transfer
5	EOI	End Or Identify	17	REN	Remote Enable
6	DAV	Data Valid	18	GND	DAV ground
7	NRFD	Not Ready For Data	19	GND	NRFD ground
8	NDAC	Not Data Accepted	20	GND	NDAC ground
9	IFC	Interface Clear	21	GND	IFC ground
10	SRQ	Service Request	22	GND	SRQ ground
11	ATN	Attention	23	GND	ATN ground
12	Shield	Chassis ground	24	GND	Signal ground

#### **Data Lines**

The eight data lines, DIO1 through DIO8, are used for transferring data one byte at a time. DIO1 is the least significant bit, while DIO8 is the most significant bit. The transferred data can be an instrument command or a GPIB interface command.

Data formats are vendor-specific and can be text-based (ASCII) or binary. GPIB interface commands are defined by the IEEE 488 standard.

#### **Interface Management Lines**

The interface management lines control the flow of data across the GPIB interface.

### **GPIB Interface Management Lines**

Line	Description
ATN	Used by the Controller to inform all devices on the GPIB that bytes are being sent. If the ATN line is high, the bytes are interpreted as an instrument command. If the ATN line is low, the bytes are interpreted as an interface message.
IFC	Used by the Controller to initialize the bus. If the IFC line is low, the Talker and Listeners are unaddressed, and the System Controller becomes the Controller-In-Charge.
REN	Used by the Controller to place instruments in remote or local program mode. If REN is low, all Listeners are placed in remote mode, and you cannot change their settings from the front panel. If REN is high, all Listeners are placed in local mode.
SRQ	Used by Talkers to asynchronously request service from the Controller. If SRQ is low, then one or more Talkers require service (for example, an error such as invalid command was received). You issue a serial poll to determine which Talker requested service. The poll automatically sets the SRQ line high.
EOI	If the ATN line is high, the EOI line is used by Talkers to identify the end of a byte stream such as an instrument command. If the ATN line is low, the EOI line is used by the Controller to perform a parallel poll (not supported by the toolbox).

#### **Handshake Lines**

The three handshake lines, DAV, NRFD, and NDAC, are used to transfer bytes over the data lines from the Talker to one or more addressed Listeners.

Before data is transferred, all three lines must be in the proper state. The active Talker controls the DAV line and the Listener(s) control the NRFD and NDAC lines. The handshake process allows for error-free data transmission.

#### **Handshake Lines**

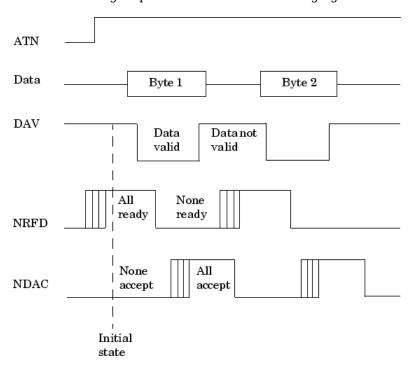
Line	Description
DAV	Used by the Talker to indicate that a byte can be read by the Listeners.
NRFD	Indicates whether the Listener is ready to receive the byte.
NDAC	Indicates whether the Listener has accepted the byte.

The handshaking process follows these steps:

- 1 Initially, the Talker holds the DAV line high indicating no data is available, while the Listeners hold the NRFD line high and the NDAC line low indicating they are ready for data and no data is accepted, respectively.
- When the Talker puts data on the bus, it sets the DAV line low, which indicates that the data is valid.
- 3 The Listeners set the NRFD line low, which indicates that they are not ready to accept new data.
- 4 The Listeners set the NDAC line high, which indicates that the data is accepted.
- When all Listeners indicate that they have accepted the data, the Talker sets the DAV line high indicating that the data is no longer valid. The next byte of data can now be transmitted.
- **6** The Listeners hold the NRFD line high indicating they are ready to receive data again, and the NDAC line is held low indicating no data is accepted.

**Note** If the ATN line is high during the handshaking process, the information is considered data such as an instrument command. If the ATN line is low, the information is considered a GPIB interface message.

The handshaking steps are shown in the following figure.



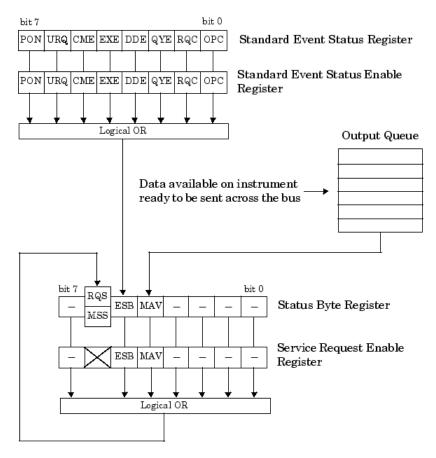
# **Status and Event Reporting**

GPIB provides a system for reporting status and event information. With this system, you can find out if your instrument has data to return, whether a command error occurred, and so on. For many instruments, the reporting system consists of four 8-bit registers and two queues (output and event). The four registers are grouped into these two functional categories:

- Status Registers The Status Byte Register (SBR) and Standard Event Status Register (SESR) contain information about the state of the instrument.
- Enable Registers The Event Status Enable Register (ESER) and the Service Request Enable Register (SRER) determine which types of events are reported to the status registers and the event queue. ESER enables SESR, while SRER enables SBR.

The status registers, enable registers, and output queue are shown in the following figure.

#### Standard Event



### **Status Byte Register**

Each bit in the Status Byte Register (SBR) is associated with a specific type of event. When an event occurs, the instrument sets the appropriate bit to 1. You can enable or disable the SBR bits with the Service Request Enable Register (SRER). You can determine which events occurred by reading the enabled SBR bits.

### **Status Byte Register Bits**

Bit	Label	Description	
0-3	-	Instrument-specific summary messages.	
4	MAV	The Message Available bit indicates if data is available in the Output Queue. MAV is 1 if the Output Queue contains data. MAV is 0 if the Output Queue is empty.	
5	ESB	The Event Status bit indicates if one or more enabled events have occurred. ESB is 1 if an enabled event occurs. ESB is 0 if no enabled events occur. You enable events with the Standard Event Status Enable Register.	
6	MSS	The Master Summary Status summarizes the ESB and MAV bits. MSS is 1 if either MAV or ESB is 1. MSS is 0 if both MAV and ESB are 0. This bit is obtained from the *STB? command.	
	RQS	The Request Service bit indicates that the instrument requests service from the GPIB controller. This bit is obtained from a serial poll.	
7	-	Instrument-specific summary message.	

For example, if you want to know when a specific type of instrument error occurs, enable bit 5 of the SRER. Additionally, enable the appropriate bit of the Standard Event Status Enable Register so that the error event of interest is reported by the ESB bit of the SBR.

### **Standard Event Status Register**

Each bit in the Standard Event Status Register (SESR) is associated with a specific state of the instrument. When the state changes, the instrument sets the appropriate bits to 1. You can enable or disable the SESR bits with the Standard Event Status Enable Register (ESER). You can determine the state of the instrument by reading the enabled SESR bits. The SESR bits have the following descriptions.

#### **SESR Bits**

Bit	Label	Description
0	OPC	The Operation Complete bit indicates that all commands have completed.
1	RQC	The Request Control bit is not used by most instruments.
2	QYE	The Query Error bit indicates that the instrument attempted to read an empty output buffer, or that data in the output buffer was lost.
3	DDE	The Device Dependent Error bit indicates that a device error occurred (such as a self-test error).
4	EXE	The Execution Error bit indicates that an error occurred when the device was executing a command or query.
5	CME	The Command Error bit indicates that a command syntax error occurred.
6	URQ	The User Request bit is not used by most instruments.
7	PON	The Power On bit indicates that the device is powered on.

For example, if you want to know when an execution error occurs, enable bit 4 of the ESER. Additionally, enable bit 5 of the SRER so that the error event of interest is reported by the ESB bit of the SBR.

### **Reading and Writing Register Information**

This section describes the common GPIB commands used to read and write status and event register information.

### **Register Commands**

Register	Operation	Command	Description	
SESR	Read	*ESR?	Return a decimal value that corresponds to the weighted sum of all the bits set in the SESR register.	
	Write	N/A	You cannot write to the SESR register.	
ESER	Read	*ESE?	Return a decimal value that corresponds to the weighted sum of all the bits enabled by the *ESE command.	
	Write	*ESE	Write a decimal value that corresponds to the weighted sum of all the bits you want to enable in the SESR register.	
SBR	Read	*STB?	Return a decimal value that corresponds to the weighted sum of all the bits set in the SBR register. This command returns the same result as a serial poll except that the MSS bit is not cleared.	
	Write	N/A	You cannot write to the SBR register.	
SRER	Read	*SRE?	Return a decimal value that corresponds to the weighted sum of all the bits enabled by the *SRE command.	
	Write	*SRE	Write a decimal value that corresponds to the weighted sum of all the bits you want to enable in the SBR register.	

For example, to enable bit 4 of the SESR, you write the command \*ESE 16. To enable bit 4 and bit 5 of the SESR, you write the command \*ESE 48. To enable bit 5 of the SBR, you write the command \*SRE 32.

To see how to use many of these commands in the context of an instrument control session, refer to "Execute Serial Poll" on page 5-28.

### See Also

visadev

# **Related Examples**

- "Get Started with GPIB Interface" on page 5-11
- "Write and Read GPIB Data" on page 4-10
- "Send Trigger Message" on page 5-26
- "Execute Serial Polls" on page 5-28

### **External Websites**

GPIB Instruments and MATLAB

### Write and Read GPIB Data

#### In this section...

"Rules for Completing Write and Read Operations" on page 4-10

"Writing and Reading Text Data" on page 4-10

"Writing and Reading Binary Data" on page 4-12

"Parse Input String Data" on page 4-14

### **Rules for Completing Write and Read Operations**

### **Completing Write Operations**

A write operation using write, writeline, or writebinblock completes when one of these conditions is satisfied:

- The specified data is written.
- The time specified by the Timeout property passes.

An instrument determines if a write operation is complete based on the Terminator and EOIMode property values. The default value of Terminator is the line feed character. Refer to the documentation for your instrument to determine the terminator required by your instrument.

If EOIMode is on, then the End Or Identify (EOI) line is asserted when the last byte is written to the instrument. The last byte can be part of a binary data stream or a text data stream. The last byte written is the Terminator value and the EOI line is asserted when the instrument receives this byte.

### **Completing Read Operations**

A read operation with read, readline, or readbinblock completes when one of these conditions is satisfied:

- The terminator specified by the Terminator property is read.
- The time specified by the Timeout property passes.
- The specified number of values is read.

# **Writing and Reading Text Data**

This example illustrates how to communicate with a VISA-GPIB instrument by writing and reading text data.

The instrument is a Tektronix TDS 210 two-channel oscilloscope. Therefore, many of the commands in the example are specific to this instrument. A sine wave is input into channel 2 of the oscilloscope, and you want to measure the peak-to-peak voltage of the input signal.

You can use these functions and properties when reading and writing text.

Function	Purpose
writeline	Write text to an instrument.

Function	Purpose	
readline	Read data from an instrument and format as text.	
EOIMode	Whether EOI (end or identify) line is asserted.	
Terminator	Character used to terminate commands sent to the instrument.	

**1 Create a VISA-GPIB object** — Create the VISA-GPIB object g associated with a National Instruments GPIB controller with board index 0 and an instrument with primary address 1.

```
g = visadev("GPIB0::1::0::INSTR");
```

Write and read data — Write the \*IDN? command to the instrument using writeline, and then read back the result of the command using readline.

```
writeline(g,"*IDN?")
ans =
     56
idn = readline(g)
idn =
     "TEKTRONIX,TDS 210,0,CF:91.1CT FV:v1.16 TDS2CM:CMV:v1.04"
```

You need to determine the measurement source. Possible measurement sources include channel 1 and channel 2 of the oscilloscope.

```
writeline(g, "MEASUREMENT:IMMED:SOURCE?")
source = readline(g)
source =
    "CH1"
```

The scope is configured to return a measurement from channel 1. Because the input signal is connected to channel 2, you must configure the instrument to return a measurement from this channel.

```
writeline(g,"MEASUREMENT:IMMED:SOURCE CH2")
writeline(g,"MEASUREMENT:IMMED:SOURCE?")
source = readline(g)
source =
    "CH2"
```

You can now configure the scope to return the peak-to-peak voltage, and then request the value of this measurement.

```
writeline(g,"MEASUREMENT:MEAS1:TYPE PK2PK")
writeline(g,"MEASUREMENT:MEAS1:VALUE?")
```

Read back the result using the readline function.

```
ptop = readline(g)
```

```
ptop = "2.019999809F0"
```

**3 Disconnect and clean up** — Use clear to disconnect the instrument from the VISA-GPIB object g and to clear it from the MATLAB workspace when you are done working with it.

```
clear q
```

#### **ASCII Write Properties**

By default, the End or Identify (EOI) line is asserted when the last byte is written to the instrument. This behavior is controlled by the EOIMode property. When EOIMode is set to on, the EOI line is asserted when the last byte is written to the instrument. When EOIMode is set to off, the EOI line is not asserted when the last byte is written to the instrument.

### **Writing and Reading Binary Data**

This example illustrates how you can download the TDS 210 oscilloscope screen display. The screen display data is saved to disk using the Windows bitmap format. This data provides a permanent record of your work, and is an easy way to document important signal and scope parameters.

You use these functions when reading and writing binary data.

Function	Purpose
read	Read binary data from an instrument.
write	Write binary data to an instrument.

**Note** When performing a read or write operation, think of the received data in terms of values rather than bytes. A value consists of one or more bytes. For example, one uint32 value consists of four bytes.

**1** Create a VISA-GPIB object — Create the VISA-GPIB object g associated with a National Instruments GPIB controller with board index 0 and an instrument with primary address 1.

```
g = visadev("GPIB0::1::0::INSTR");
```

2 Configure timeout value — Configure the timeout value to two minutes to account for slow data transfer.

```
g.Timeout = 120;
```

**Write and read data** — Configure the scope to transfer the screen display as a bitmap.

```
writeline(g,"HARDCOPY:PORT GPIB")
writeline(g,"HARDCOPY:FORMAT BMP")
writeline(g,"HARDCOPY START")
```

Transfer the data to the MATLAB workspace as unsigned 8-bit integers.

```
out = read(g,g.NumBytesAvailable,"uint8");
```

**4 Disconnect and clean up** — Use clear to disconnect the instrument from the VISA-GPIB object g and to clear it from the MATLAB workspace when you are done working with it.

```
clear g
```

### **Viewing Bitmap Data**

Follow these steps to view the bitmap data.

- **1** Open a disk file.
- **2** Write the data to the disk file.
- **3** Close the disk file.
- **4** Read the data using the imread function.
- **5** Scale and display the data using the imagesc function.

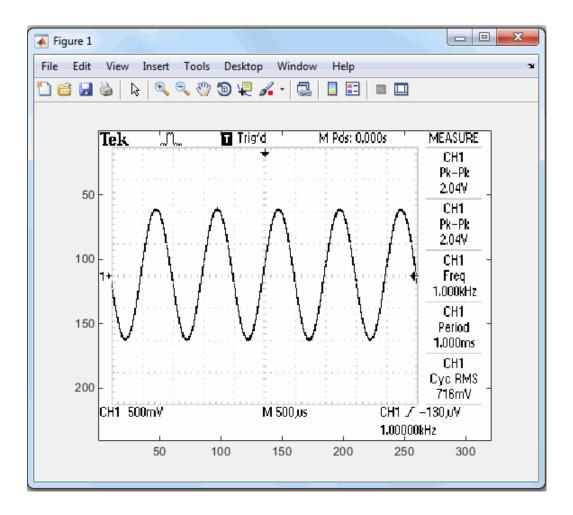
Use the MATLAB software file I/O functions fopen, fwrite, and fclose.

```
fid = fopen("test1.bmp","w");
fwrite(fid,out,"uint8");
fclose(fid)
a = imread("test1.bmp","bmp");

Display the image.
imagesc(a)

Use a gray colormap since the instrument generates only grayscale images.
c = colormap(gray);
colormap(flipud(c));
```

The resulting bitmap image is shown in the following figure.



### **Parse Input String Data**

This example illustrates how to use the split function to parse data that you read from a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope. The split function is particularly useful when you want to parse a string into one or more array elements, where each element is determined to be either a double or a character vector.

**1 Create a VISA-GPIB object** — Create the VISA-GPIB object **g** associated with a National Instruments GPIB controller with board index 0 and an instrument with primary address 1.

```
q = visadev("GPIB0::1::0::INSTR");
```

**Write and read data** — Return identification information to separate elements of a cell array using the "," delimiters.

```
writeline(g,"*IDN?")
idn = readline(g);
idn = split(idn,",")
idn =
   4×1 string array
```

```
"TEKTRONIX"
"TDS 210"
"0"
"CF:91.1CT FV:v1.16 TDS2CM:CMV:v1.04"
```

**3 Disconnect and clean up** — Use clear to disconnect the instrument from the VISA-GPIB object g and to clear it from the MATLAB workspace when you are done working with it.

clear g

# **See Also**

visadev|write|writeline|read|readline

# **Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface**

The gpib function, its object functions, and its properties will be removed. Use the VISA-GPIB interface with visadev instead.

gpib Interface	visadev Interface	Example	
instrhwinfo	visadevlist	"Discover GPIB Instruments" on page 4-17	
gpib and fopen	visadev	"Connect to GPIB Instrument" on page 4-17	
fwrite	write	"Write and Read Binary or	
fread	read	String Data" on page 4-17	
fprintf	writeline	"Read Terminated String" on page 4-18	
fscanf	readline	"Read Terminated String" on	
fgetl		page 4-18	
fgets		"Read and Parse String Data" on page 4-19	
query	writeread	"Write and Read Back Data" on page 4-20	
binblockwrite	writebinblock	"Write and Read Binblock Data"	
binblockread	readbinblock	on page 4-20	
flushinput, flushoutput, and clrdevice	flush	"Flush Data from Memory" on page 4-21	
Terminator	configureTerminator	"Set Terminator" on page 4-21	
spoll	visastatus		
trigger	visatrigger		
RsrcName	ResourceName		
EOSMode and EOSCharCode	Terminator		
ErrorFcn	ErrorOccurredFcn		

# **Removed Functionality**

The BusManagementStatus, CompareBits, and HandshakeStatus properties will be removed.

The ValuesReceived and ValuesSent properties will be removed.

The readasync and stopasync functions and the ReadAsyncMode and TransferStatus properties will be removed. The updated interface reads data synchronously.

The BytesToOutput, InputBufferSize, and OutputBufferSize properties will be removed. Buffer sizes are automatically managed and sized as needed.

The BytesAvailableFcnCount, BytesAvailableFcnMode, BytesAvailableFcn, BytesAvailable, and OutputEmptyFcn properties will be removed. Callback functions are not supported in the updated interface.

The RecordDetail, RecordMode, RecordName, and RecordStatus properties will be removed.

The TimerFcn and TimerPeriod properties will be removed. Use timer instead.

The Name, Type, ObjectVisibility, Status, and Tag properties will be removed.

#### **Discover GPIB Instruments**

This example shows how to discover GPIB instruments using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>instrhwinfo('gpib','ni')</pre>	<pre>list = visadevlist; list.ResourceName(list.Type=="gpib")</pre>

For more information, see visadevlist.

#### **Connect to GPIB Instrument**

These examples show how to connect to a GPIB instrument and disconnect from it using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>g = gpib('ni',0,1) fopen(g)</pre>	g = visadev("GPIB0::1::0::INSTR");
<pre>fclose(g) delete(g) clear g</pre>	clear g

The fopen function is not available in the updated interface. The object creation function visadev both creates the object and connects the object to the instrument.

The fclose function is not available in the updated interface. The clear function disconnects the object from the instrument when it removes the object from the workspace.

For more information, see visadev.

# Write and Read Binary or String Data

These examples show how to perform a binary write and read, and how to write and read nonterminated string data, using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% g is a gpib object fwrite(g,1:5) data = fread(g,5)	% g is a visadev object write(g,1:5) data = read(g,5)
data =	data =
1 2 3 4 5	1 2 3 4 5
<pre>% g is a gpib object fwrite(g,'hello','char') length = 5; data = fread(g,length,'char')</pre>	<pre>% g is a visadev object write(g,"hello","string") length = 5; data = read(g,length,"string")</pre>
data =	data =
104 101 108 108 111	"hello"
data = char(data)'	
data =	
'hello'	

For more information, see write or read.

# **Read Terminated String**

This example shows how to perform a terminated string write and read using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% g is a gpib object g.Terminator = 'CR/LF'; fprintf(g,'SOUR:%d:FREQ',ch) data = fscanf(g,'%e')	<pre>% g is a visadev object configureTerminator(g,"CR/LF") str = sprintf("SOUR:%d:FREQ",ch) writeline(g,str) data = readline(g)</pre>
data = 11.9000	<pre>data =     "11.9000"  data = sscanf(data,'%e')  data =</pre>
	11.9000
% g is a gpib object g.Terminator = 'CR/LF'; fprintf(g,'hello') data = fgetl(g)	% g is a visadev object configureTerminator(g,"CR/LF") writeline(g,"hello") data = readline(g)
data =	data =
'hello'	"hello"
fgetl reads until the specified terminator is reached and then discards the terminator.	
% g is a gpib object g.Terminator = 'CR/LF'; fprintf(g,'hello') data = fgets(g)	
data =	
'hello	
fgets reads until the specified terminator is reached and then returns the terminator.	

For more information, see writeline or readline.

# **Read and Parse String Data**

This example shows how to read and parse string data using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% g is a gpib object data = scanstr(g,';')	% g is a visadev object data = readline(g)
data =	data =
3×1 cell array	"a;b;c"
{'a'} {'b'}	<pre>data = strsplit(data,";")</pre>
{'c'}	data =
	1×3 string array
	"a" "b" "c"

For more information, see readline.

### **Write and Read Back Data**

This example shows how to write ASCII terminated data and read ASCII terminated data back using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
	% g is a visadev object data = writeread(g,"ctrlcmd")
data =	data =
'success'	"success"

For more information, see writeline or readline.

### Write and Read Binblock Data

This example shows how to write data with the IEEE standard binary block protocol using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>% g is a gpib object binblockwrite(g,1:5); data = binblockread(g)</pre>	% g is a visadev object writebinblock(g,1:5) data = readbinblock(g)
data =	data =
1 2 3 4 5	1 2 3 4 5

For more information, see writebinblock or readbinblock.

# Flush Data from Memory

This example shows how to flush data from the buffer using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>% g is a gpib object flushinput(g) clrdevice(g)</pre>	% g is a visadev object flush(g,"input")
<pre>% g is a gpib object flushoutput(g) clrdevice(g)</pre>	% g is a visadev object flush(g,"output")
<pre>% g is a gpib object flushinput(g) flushoutput(g) clrdevice(g)</pre>	% g is a visadev object flush(g)

For more information, see flush.

### **Set Terminator**

These examples show how to set the terminator using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
	% g is a visadev object configureTerminator(g,"CR/LF")
	% g is a visadev object configureTerminator(g,"CR/LF",10)

For more information, see  ${\tt configureTerminator}.$ 

### See Also

visadev

### **More About**

• R2021a GPIB Interface Topics

# **Controlling Instruments Using VISA**

This chapter describes specific issues related to controlling instruments that use the VISA standard.

- "Get Started with VISA" on page 5-2
- "Get Started with TCP/IP Interface for VXI-11 and HiSLIP" on page 5-5
- "Get Started with TCP/IP Socket Interface" on page 5-7
- "Get Started with USB Interface" on page 5-9
- "Get Started with GPIB Interface" on page 5-11
- "Get Started with Serial Port Interface" on page 5-13
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- "Execute Serial Polls" on page 5-28
- "Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31

### **Get Started with VISA**

#### In this section...

"What Is VISA?" on page 5-2

"Supported Platforms and Minimum Driver Requirements" on page 5-2

"Interfaces Used with VISA" on page 5-2

"Connect to and Configure VISA Resource" on page 5-3

### What Is VISA?

Virtual Instrument Standard Architecture (VISA) is a standard defined by Keysight (formerly Agilent Technologies®) and National Instruments for communicating with instruments regardless of the interface. The VISA standard was formerly maintained by the VXIplug&play Systems Alliance and is now maintained by the IVI Foundation.

Instrument Control Toolbox supports the TCP/IP (using VXI11 and HiSLIP), TCP/IP Socket, USB, GPIB, Serial, VXI, and PXI interfaces using the VISA standard. Communication is established through a VISA instrument object, which you create in the MATLAB workspace. For example, a VISA-GPIB object allows you to use the VISA standard to communicate with an instrument that possesses a GPIB interface.

For the full VISA specifications maintained by the IVI Foundation, see IVI Specifications.

# **Supported Platforms and Minimum Driver Requirements**

VISA is supported on these platforms:

- macOS (NI-VISA and R&S VISA only)
- Windows 10

These are the minimum VISA driver versions you must have:

- Keysight IO Libraries version 18.1.24715.0 (Keysight Connection Expert 2019)
- National Instruments NI-VISA version 19.5
- Rohde & Schwarz R&S VISA version 5.12

Tektronix TekVISA is not supported for the visadev interface.

### Interfaces Used with VISA

For many VISA applications, you can communicate with your instrument without detailed knowledge of how the interface works.

- "Get Started with TCP/IP Interface for VXI-11 and HiSLIP" on page 5-5
- "Get Started with TCP/IP Socket Interface" on page 5-7
- "Get Started with USB Interface" on page 5-9
- "Get Started with GPIB Interface" on page 5-11

- "Get Started with Serial Port Interface" on page 5-13
- "Get Started with VXI and PXI Interfaces" on page 5-15

### **Connect to and Configure VISA Resource**

See a list of VISA resources available to connect to using visadevlist. This function provides a list of resource names and aliases. You can also find a device's resource name or alias from your VISA vendor's control software. For more information about the VISA resource name, see ResourceName.

To connect to a VISA resource, specify its resource name or alias using visadev.

After you connect to your instrument or device, you can configure its properties. For a full list of visadev properties and information about how to configure them, see visadev Properties.

## **Other Functionality**

Use the following functions to communicate with the visadev object.

read Read data from VISA resource

readline Read line of ASCII string data from VISA resource readbinblock Read one binblock of data from VISA resource

write Write data to VISA resource

writeline Write line of ASCII data to VISA resource writebinblock Write one binblock of data to VISA resource

writeread Write command to VISA resource and read response

configureTerminator Set terminator for ASCII string communication with VISA resource

flush Clear buffers for communication with VISA resource

visastatus Check status of VISA resource

visatrigger Send trigger message to GPIB or VXI instruments

setDTRSet serial DTR pinsetRTSSet serial RTS pingetpinstatusGet serial pin status

### See Also

visadevlist|visadev

# Related Examples

- "Get Started with TCP/IP Interface for VXI-11 and HiSLIP" on page 5-5
- "Get Started with TCP/IP Socket Interface" on page 5-7
- "Get Started with USB Interface" on page 5-9
- "Get Started with GPIB Interface" on page 5-11
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- "Get Started with VXI and PXI Interfaces" on page 5-15
- "Write and Read ASCII Data Using VISA" on page 5-18
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# **External Websites**

IVI Specifications

# Get Started with TCP/IP Interface for VXI-11 and HiSLIP

The TCP/IP interface is supported through a VISA-TCP/IP object. The features associated with a VISA-TCP/IP object are similar to the features associated with a tcpclient object. Therefore, only functions and properties that are unique to VISA's TCP/IP interface are discussed in this section. Both VXI-11 and HiSLIP protocols are supported.

Refer to "TCP/IP Communication Overview" on page 7-2 for more information about TCP/IP communication.

# Create VISA-TCP/IP Object

Create a VISA-TCP/IP object with the visadev function. Each object is associated with an instrument connected to your computer.

visadev requires the resource name or alias as an input. The resource name consists of the name of the TCP/IP board index, IP address or host name, and LAN device name of your instrument. You can find the VISA-TCP/IP resource name or alias for a given instrument with the configuration tool provided by your vendor or with the visadevlist function. Define the alias using your VISA vendor configuration tool.

```
The VISA-TCP/IP resource name has the format TCPIP[board]::remote_host[::lan_device_name]::INSTR.
```

For example, use the VISA-TCP/IP interface to connect to an instrument at IP address 169.254.2.20 using the VXI-11 protocol.

The VISA-TCP/IP object visatcpip represents a connection to your instrument. Click properties in the object display to see a full list of VISA-TCP/IP properties.

```
Type: tcpip
PreferredVisa: "National Instruments VISA"

BoardIndex: 0

ByteOrder: "little-endian"
    Timeout: 10
    Terminator: "LF"

NumBytesWritten: 0

ErrorOccurredFcn: []
    UserData: []
```

You can use dot notation to configure and display property values. For more information about configuring these properties, see visadev Properties.

You can communicate with your instrument using the visadev "Object Functions" on page 23-424.

### **See Also**

visadevlist|visadev

# **Related Examples**

visadev Properties

# **Get Started with TCP/IP Socket Interface**

### **Create VISA-Socket Object**

Create a VISA-Socket object with the visadev function. Each object is associated with an instrument connected to your computer.

visadev requires the resource name or alias as an input. The resource name consists of the name of the TCP/IP board index, IP address or host name, and port of your instrument. You can find the VISA-Socket resource name or alias for a given instrument with the configuration tool provided by your vendor or with the visadevlist function. Define the alias using your VISA vendor configuration tool.

The VISA-Socket resource name has the format  $TCPIP[board]::remote\_host::port::SOCKET.$ 

For example, use the VISA-Socket interface to connect to a Keysight N9010B EXA Signal Analyzer.

The VISA-Socket object visasocket represents a connection to your instrument. Click properties in the object display to see a full list of VISA-Socket properties.

You can use dot notation to configure and display property values. For more information about configuring these properties, see visadev Properties.

You can communicate with your instrument using the visadev "Object Functions" on page 23-424.

# See Also

visadevlist|visadev

# **Related Examples**

• visadev Properties

### **Get Started with USB Interface**

### Create VISA-USB Object

Create a VISA-USB object with the visadev function. Each object is associated with an instrument connected to a USB port on your computer.

visadev requires the resource name or alias as an input. The resource name consists of the name of the USB board index, vendor ID, product ID, serial number, and interface number of the connected instrument. You can find the VISA-USB resource name or alias for a given instrument with the configuration tool provided by your vendor or with the visadevlist function. Define the alias using your VISA vendor configuration tool.

```
The VISA-USB resource name has the format  \begin{tabular}{l} USB[board] :: vendor\_ID :: product\_ID :: serial\_number[::interface\_number] :: INSTR. \end{tabular}
```

For example, use the VISA-USB interface to connect to a Tektronix TDS2024B digital oscilloscope.

The VISA-USB object visausb represents a connection to your instrument. Click properties in the object display to see a full list of VISA-USB properties.

ErrorOccurredFcn: []
 UserData: []

You can use dot notation to configure and display property values. For more information about configuring these properties, see visadev Properties.

You can communicate with your instrument using the visadev "Object Functions" on page 23-424.

# **See Also**

visadevlist|visadev

### **Related Examples**

visadev Properties

# **Get Started with GPIB Interface**

You can communicate with GPIB instruments in MATLAB by using the VISA-GPIB interface.

### **Install Required Drivers**

In order to use the VISA-GPIB interface, you must have the required drivers installed for both GPIB and VISA. The VISA-GPIB interface is supported on Windows 10 and not available for macOS or Linux.

The following table shows the minimum GPIB and VISA driver versions you must have. You must have one of the following GPIB drivers and its corresponding VISA driver both installed.

Minimum GPIB driver	Minimum VISA driver
Keysight IO Libraries version 18.1.24715.0 (Keysight Connection Expert 2019)	Keysight IO Libraries version 18.1.24715.0 (Keysight Connection Expert 2019)
ICS 488.2v4 Adaptor version 4.0	
ADLINK ADL-GPIB version 20.01.0	
NI-488.2 Adaptor v2.8	National Instruments NI-VISA version 19.5
MCC GPIB 488.2 Library v2.3	

## **Create VISA-GPIB Object**

Create a VISA-GPIB object with the visadev function. Each VISA-GPIB object is associated with:

- A GPIB controller installed in your computer
- An instrument with a GPIB interface

visadev requires the resource name or alias as an input. The resource name consists of the GPIB board index, the instrument primary address, and the instrument secondary address. You can find the VISA-GPIB resource name or alias for a given instrument with the configuration tool provided by your vendor or with the visadevlist function. Define the alias using your VISA vendor configuration tool.

```
The VISA-GPIB resource name has the format GPIB[board]::primary_address[::secondary_address]::INSTR.
```

For example, use the VISA-GPIB interface to connect to a National Instruments controller with board index 0 and a Tektronix TDS1002 digital oscilloscope with primary address 1 and secondary address 0.

```
visagpib = visadev("GPIB0::1::0::INSTR")
visagpib =
   GPIB with properties:
        ResourceName: "GPIB0::1::0::INSTR"
        Alias: "OSCOPE_2CH"
        Vendor: "TEKTRONIX"
```

```
Model: "TDS 1002"
BoardIndex: 0
PrimaryAddress: 1
SecondaryAddress: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

The VISA-GPIB object visagpib represents a connection to your instrument. Click properties in the object display to see a full list of VISA-GPIB properties.

You can use dot notation to configure and display property values. For more information about configuring these properties, see visadev Properties.

You can communicate with your instrument using the visadev "Object Functions" on page 23-424.

### See Also

visadevlist|visadev

# **Related Examples**

- visadev Properties
- "Write and Read GPIB Data" on page 4-10

## **Get Started with Serial Port Interface**

The serial port interface is supported through a VISA-Serial object. The features associated with a VISA-Serial object are similar to the features associated with a serialport object. Therefore, only functions and properties that are unique to VISA's serial port interface are discussed in this section.

Refer to "Serial Port Overview" on page 6-2 for more information about serial port communication.

## **Create VISA-Serial Object**

Create a VISA-Serial object with the visadev function. Each object is associated with an instrument connected to a serial port on your computer.

visadev requires the resource name or alias as an input. The resource name consists of the name of the serial port connected to your instrument. You can find the VISA-Serial resource name or alias for a given instrument with the configuration tool provided by your vendor or with the visadevlist function. Define the alias using your VISA vendor configuration tool.

The VISA-Serial resource name has the format  $ASRL[port\_number]::INSTR$ .

For example, use the VISA-Serial interface to connect to the COM1 port, use the following command.

```
visaserial = visadev("ASRL1::INSTR")

visaserial =
   Serial with properties:
        ResourceName: "ASRL1::INSTR"
        Alias: "COM1"
        Port: "ASRL1"
        BaudRate: 9600

Show all properties, functions
```

The VISA-Serial object visaserial represents a connection to your instrument. Click properties in the object display to see a full list of VISA-Serial properties.

```
ResourceName: "ASRL1::INSTR"

Alias: "COM1"
Port: "ASRL1"
BaudRate: 9600

Type: serial
PreferredVisa: "National Instruments VISA"

ByteOrder: "little-endian"
DataBits: 8
StopBits: 1
Parity: none
FlowControl: none
Timeout: 10
Terminator: "LF"
```

NumBytesWritten: 0
ErrorOccurredFcn: []
 UserData: []

You can use dot notation to configure and display property values. For more information about configuring these properties, see visadev Properties.

You can communicate with your instrument using the visadev "Object Functions" on page 23-424.

## **Configure Communication Settings**

Before you can write or read data, both the VISA-Serial object and the instrument must have identical communication settings. Configuring serial port communications involves specifying values for properties that control the baud rate and the "Serial Data Format" on page 6-6. These properties are as follows.

#### **VISA-Serial Communication Properties**

<b>Property Name</b>	Description
BaudRate	Specify the rate at which bits are transmitted.
DataBits	Specify the number of data bits to transmit.
Parity	Specify the type of parity checking.
StopBits	Specify the number of bits used to indicate the end of a byte.
Terminator	Specify the character used to terminate commands written to the instrument.

Refer to your instrument documentation for an explanation of its supported communication settings.

#### See Also

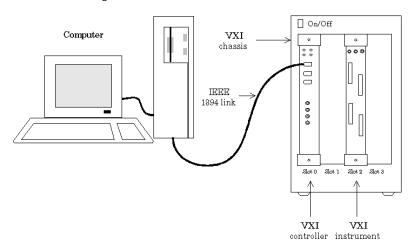
visadevlist | visadev

## **Related Examples**

visadev Properties

## **Get Started with VXI and PXI Interfaces**

The VXI interface is associated with a VXI controller that you install in slot 0 of a VXI chassis. This interface, along with the other relevant hardware, is shown below.



The VXI interface is supported through a VISA-VXI object. Many of the features associated with a VISA-VXI object are similar to the features associated with other instrument objects. Therefore, only functions and properties that are unique to VISA's VXI interface are discussed in this section.

A PXI interface is supported through a VISA-PXI object. Features associated with a VISA-PXI object are identical to the features associated with a VISA-VXI object.

PXI devices may be supported by other toolboxes or come with higher level drivers that are easier to interact with than the raw PXI interface.

## **Create VISA-VXI Object**

Create a VISA-VXI object with the visadev function. Each object is associated with:

- · A VXI chassis
- · A VXI controller in slot 0 of the VXI chassis
- An instrument installed in the VXI chassis

<code>visadev</code> requires the resource name or alias as an input. The resource name consists of the VXI chassis index and the instrument logical address. You can find the VISA-VXI resource name or alias for a given instrument with the configuration tool provided by your vendor or with the <code>visadevlist</code> function. Define the alias using your VISA vendor configuration tool.

The VISA-VXI resource name has the format VXI[chassis]::VXI logical address::INSTR.

For example, use the VISA-VXI interface to connect to a VXI chassis with index 0 and a Keysight E1432A 16-channel digitizer with logical address 32.

```
visavxi = visadev("VXI0::32::INSTR")
visavxi =
```

```
VXI with properties:

ResourceName: "VXIO::32::INSTR"
Alias: "DIGITIZER_16CH"
Vendor: "Keysight"
Model: "E1432A"

Show all properties, functions
```

The VISA-VXI object visavxi represents a connection to your instrument. Click properties in the object display to see a full list of VISA-VXI properties.

```
ResourceName: "VXIO::32::INSTR"
    Alias: "DIGITIZER_16CH"
    Vendor: "Keysight"
    Model: "E1432A"

SerialNumber: "P12345"
    Type: vxi
PreferredVisa: "National Instruments VISA"

ChassisIndex: 0
LogicalAddress: 32
    Slot: 0

ByteOrder: "little-endian"
    Timeout: 10
Terminator: "LF"
    EOIMode: on

NumBytesWritten: 0

ErrorOccurredFcn: []
    UserData: []
```

You can use dot notation to configure and display property values. For more information about configuring these properties, see visadev Properties.

You can communicate with your instrument using the visadev "Object Functions" on page 23-424.

## Create VISA-PXI Object

Create a VISA-PXI object with the visadev function. Each object is associated with:

- A PXI chassis
- · A PXI controller in slot 0 of the PXI chassis
- · An instrument installed in the PXI chassis

visadev requires the resource name or alias as an input. The resource name consists of the PCI bus number, PCI device number, PCI function number, PXI chassis index, and slot number. You can find the VISA-PXI resource name or alias for a given instrument with the configuration tool provided by your vendor or with the visadevlist function. Define the alias using your VISA vendor configuration tool.

The VISA-PXI resource name has the format PXI[bus]::device[::function][::INSTR] or PXI[bus]::CHASSISchassis::SLOTslot[::FUNCfunction][::INSTR].

For example, use the VISA-PXI interface to connect to a Keysight E1432A 16-channel digitizer with logical address 32.

The VISA-PXI object visapxi represents a connection to your instrument. Click properties in the object display to see a full list of VISA-PXI properties.

You can use dot notation to configure and display property values. For more information about configuring these properties, see visadev Properties.

You can communicate with your instrument using the visadev "Object Functions" on page 23-424.

#### See Also

visadevlist|visadev

## **Related Examples**

• visadev Properties

## Write and Read ASCII Data Using VISA

This example explores ASCII read and write operations with a VISA object using a Tektronix TDS210 oscilloscope.

The VISA object supports seven interfaces: serial, GPIB, VXI, PXI, USB, Serial, TCP/IP, and Socket. This example explores ASCII read and write operations using a VISA-GPIB object. However, ASCII read and write operations for all interfaces are identical to each other. Therefore, you can use the same commands. The only difference is the resource name specified in the VISA constructor visadev.

ASCII read and write operations for the VISA-Serial object are identical to ASCII read and write operations for the serial port object. Therefore, to learn how to perform ASCII read and write operations for the VISA-Serial object, refer to "Write and Read Serial Port Data" on page 6-17.

#### **Connect to Instrument**

Create a VISA-GPIB object using the VISA resource string shown below.

```
v = visadev("GPIB0::2::INSTR")

v =

GPIB with properties:

    ResourceName: "GPIB0::2::INSTR"
         Alias: "OSCOPE"
         Vendor: "TEKTRONIX"
         Model: "TDS 210"
         BoardIndex: 0
        PrimaryAddress: 1
        SecondaryAddress: 0

Show all properties, functions
```

#### Write ASCII Data

Use the writeline function to write ASCII data to the instrument. For example, the "Display: Contrast" command changes the display contrast of the oscilloscope.

```
writeline(v, "Display:Contrast 45")
```

The function suspends MATLAB execution until all the data is written or a timeout occurs as specified by the Timeout property of the visadev object.

Check the default ASCII terminator.

```
v.Terminator
```

```
ans = "LF"
```

The writeline function automatically appends the linefeed (LF) terminator to "Display: Contrast 45" before it is written to the server, indicating the end of the command.

Check the value of the EOIMode property. This property is only available for VISA-GPIB, VISA-VXI, and VISA-PXI interfaces.

#### v.E0IMode

```
ans =
   OnOffSwitchState enumeration
   on
```

By default, the End or Identify (EOI) line is asserted when the last byte is written to the instrument. This behavior is controlled by the EOIMode property. When EOIMode is set to on, the EOI line is asserted when the last byte is written to the instrument. When EOIMode is set to off, the EOI line is not asserted when the last byte is written to the instrument.

Clear any data in the buffer before moving to the next step.

flush(v)

#### **Read ASCII Data**

Use the readline function to read ASCII data from the instrument. For example, the oscilloscope command "Display:Contrast?" returns the oscilloscope's display contrast.

```
writeline(v,"Display:Contrast?")
data = readline(v)

data =
    45
```

The readline function reads data until it reaches a terminator, removes the terminator, and returns the data.

You can also use the writeread function to perform the same operation. Write an ASCII command to your instrument and read the response.

```
data = writeread(v, "Display:Contrast?")
data =
    45
```

## Clean Up

When you are finished with the VISA-GPIB object, clear it.

```
clear v
```

## See Also

visadev | readline | writeline | writeread

## **Related Examples**

"Write and Read Binary Data Using VISA" on page 5-21

## Write and Read Binary Data Using VISA

This example explores binary read and write operations with a VISA object using a Tektronix TDS210 oscilloscope.

The VISA object supports seven interfaces: serial, GPIB, VXI, PXI, USB, Serial, TCP/IP, and Socket. This example explores binary read and write operations using a VISA-GPIB object. However, binary read and write operations for all interfaces are identical to each other. Therefore, you can use the same commands. The only difference is the resource name specified in the VISA constructor visadev.

Binary read and write operations for the VISA-Serial object are identical to binary read and write operations for the serial port object. Therefore, to learn how to perform binary read and write operations for the VISA-Serial object, refer to "Write and Read Serial Port Data" on page 6-17.

#### Connect to Instrument

Create a VISA-GPIB object using the VISA resource string shown below.

## **Write Binary Data**

Use the write function to write binary data to the instrument. The following commands configure and then send a sine wave to the instrument.

```
writeline(v,"Data:Destination RefB");
writeline(v,"Data:Encdg SRPbinary");
writeline(v,"Data:Width 2";
writeline(v,"Data:Start 1");

t = (0:499) .* 8 * pi / 500;
data = round(sin(t) * 90 + 127);
writeline(v,"CURVE #3500");
write(v,data,"int16")
```

The write function suspends MATLAB execution until all the data is written or a timeout occurs as specified by the Timeout property of the visadev object.

By default, the write function writes binary data as uint8 data. For more information about specifying other data types, see write.

**Note** When performing a write operation, you should think of the transmitted data in terms of values rather than bytes. A value consists of one or more bytes. For example, one uint32 value consists of four bytes.

## **Read Binary Data**

Use the read function to read binary data from the instrument. Use the following commands to read the sine wave from the instrument.

```
writeline(v, "Data:Source CH1");
writeline(v, "Data:Encdg SRIbinary");
writeline(v, "Data:Width 2");
writeline(v, "Data:Start 1");
writeline(v, "Curve?")
data = read(v, 1200, "int16");
```

The read function suspends MATLAB execution until one of the following occurs:

- A timeout occurs as specified by the Timeout property
- The input buffer is filled
- The specified number of values is read
- The EOI line is asserted
- The terminator is received as specified by the Terminator property

By default, the read function reads binary data as uint8 data. For more information about specifying other data types, see read.

**Note** When performing a read operation, you should think of the received data in terms of values rather than bytes. A value consists of one or more bytes. For example, one uint32 value consists of four bytes.

## Clean Up

When you are finished with the VISA-GPIB object, clear it.

```
clear v
```

#### See Also

```
visadev | read | write
```

## Related Examples

• "Write and Read ASCII Data Using VISA" on page 5-18

## **Use Callbacks for VISA Communication**

You can enhance the power and flexibility of your instrument control application by using events and callbacks. An event occurs after a condition is met and can result in one or more callbacks.

While MATLAB is connected to the instrument, you can use events to display a message, display data, analyze data, and so on. You can control callbacks through configureCallback and callback functions. Callback functions are MATLAB functions that you write to suit your specific application needs.

#### **Use Events and Callbacks**

This example uses the callback function mycallback to read from the instrument when a terminator is available to be read. The event is generated when the Terminator property value is read. Specify the event type and the callback function to be executed using the configureCallback function. Specify the callback function as a function handle.

```
function mycallback(src,evt)
  data = readline(src)
  disp(evt)
end

g = visadev("GPIB0::1::0::INSTR");
configureCallback(g,"terminator",@mycallback)
writeline(g,"*IDN?")
```

The resulting display from mycallback is shown below.

End the VISA-GPIB session.

clear g

## **Event Types and Callback Properties**

The following table lists the visadev properties and functions associated with callbacks.

Property or Function	Purpose
configureCallback	Set callback function and trigger condition for communication
BytesAvailableFcn	Callback function triggered by bytes available event
BytesAvailableFcnCount	Number of bytes of data to trigger callback

Property or Function	Purpose
BytesAvailableFcnMode	Bytes available callback trigger mode
ErrorOccurredFcn	Callback function triggered by error event
UserData	General purpose property for user data

For more information about configuring these properties and functions, see visadev Properties.

#### **Bytes-Available Event Modes**

A bytes-available event is generated immediately after a specified number of bytes are available in the input buffer or the terminator character specified is read, as determined by the BytesAvailableFcnMode property.

- If BytesAvailableFcnMode is byte, the bytes-available event executes the callback function specified for the BytesAvailableFcn property every time the number of bytes specified by BytesAvailableFcnCount is stored in the input buffer.
- If BytesAvailableFcnMode is terminator, the bytes-available event executes the callback function specified for the BytesAvailableFcn property every time the character specified by the Terminator property is read.

#### **Error Event**

An error event is generated immediately after an error occurs. An error event is generated when the connection to your VISA resource is interrupted or when an asynchronous read error occurs. An error event is not generated for configuration errors such as setting an invalid property value. This event executes the callback function specified for the ErrorOccurredFcn property.

## Use Events and Callbacks to Display Event Information

This example extends "Writing and Reading Binary Data" on page 4-12 by using the custom callback function mycallback to display event-related information to the command line when a bytes-available event occurs during a binary read operation.

1 Create a callback function mycallback and save it as an .m file in the directory that you are working in.

```
function mycallback(src,evt)
  disp(evt)
end
```

**2** Create the VISA-GPIB object **g** associated with a National Instruments GPIB controller with primary address 1 and secondary address 0.

```
g = visadev("GPIB0::1::0::INSTR");
```

**3** Configure the timeout value to two minutes to account for slow data transfer.

```
g.Timeout = 120;
```

Configure g to execute the callback function mycallback every time 5000 bytes is stored in the input buffer.

```
configureCallback(g,"byte",5000,@mycallback)
```

**4** Configure the scope to transfer the screen display as a bitmap.

```
writeline(g,"HARDCOPY:PORT GPIB")
writeline(g,"HARDCOPY:FORMAT BMP")
writeline(g,"HARDCOPY START")
```

mycallback is called every time 5000 bytes is stored in the input buffer. The resulting displays are as follows.

**5** After all the data is sent to the input buffer, transfer the data to the MATLAB workspace as unsigned 8-bit integers.

```
out = read(g,g.NumBytesAvailable,"uint8");
```

6 Use clear to disconnect the instrument from the VISA-GPIB object g and to clear it from the MATLAB workspace when you are done working with it.

clear g

#### See Also

visadev

## **Related Examples**

• "Writing and Reading Binary Data" on page 4-12

## **Send Trigger Message**

## **Use visatrigger Function**

You can execute a trigger with the visatrigger function. This function is only for VISA-GPIB and VISA-VXI interfaces. It is equivalent to the viAssertTrigger operation, as described in the VISA Specifications found at IVI Specifications. For an instrument connected with the VISA-GPIB interface, this function sends the GPIB GET (Group Execute Trigger) command.

Refer to your instrument documentation to learn how to use its triggering capabilities.

## **Execute Trigger**

This example illustrates VISA-GPIB triggering using a Keysight 33120A function generator. The output of the function generator is displayed with an oscilloscope so that you can observe the trigger.

**1 Create a VISA-GPIB object** — Create the VISA-GPIB object g associated with a National Instruments GPIB controller with board index 0 and an instrument with primary address 1.

```
g = visadev("GPIB0::1::0::INSTR");
```

**2 Write and read data** — Configure the function generator to produce a 5000 Hz sine wave, with 6 volts peak-to-peak.

```
writeline(g,"Func:Shape Sin")
writeline(g,"Volt 3")
writeline(g,"Freq 5000")
```

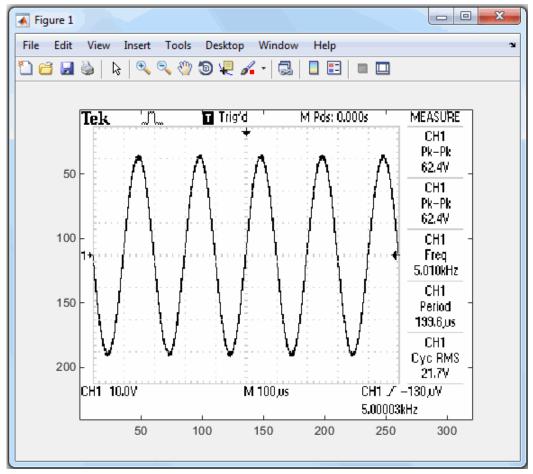
Configure the burst of the trigger to display the sine wave for 5 seconds, configure the function generator to expect the trigger from the GPIB board, and enable the burst mode.

```
writeline(g, "BM:NCycles 25000")
writeline(g, "Trigger:Source Bus")
writeline(g, "BM:State On")

Trigger the instrument.
visatrigger(g)

Disable the burst mode.
writeline(g, "BM:State Off")
```

While the function generator is triggered, the sine wave is saved to the Ref A memory location of the oscilloscope. The saved waveform is shown in the following figure.



**Disconnect and clean up** — Use clear to disconnect the instrument from the VISA-GPIB object g and to clear it from the MATLAB workspace when you are done working with it.

clear g

## See Also

visatrigger

## **Related Examples**

- "Write and Read ASCII Data Using VISA" on page 5-18
- "Write and Read GPIB Data" on page 4-10

#### **Execute Serial Polls**

#### **Use visastatus Function**

You can execute a serial poll with the visastatus function. This function is for all VISA interfaces.

#### Serial Poll for VISA-GPIB

In a serial poll for the VISA-GPIB interface, the Controller asks (polls) each addressed Listener to send back a status byte that indicates whether it has asserted the SRQ line and needs servicing. The seventh bit of this byte (the RQS bit) is set if the instrument is requesting service.

The Controller performs the following steps for every addressed Listener:

- 1 The Listener is addressed to talk and the Serial Poll Enable (SPE) command byte is sent.
- **2** The ATN line is set high and the Listener returns the status byte.
- **3** The ATN line is set low and the Serial Poll Disable (SPD) command byte is sent to end the poll sequence.

Refer to "Status and Event Reporting" on page 4-6 for more information on the GPIB bus lines and the RQS bit.

#### **Execute Serial Poll**

This example shows you how to execute a serial poll for a Keysight 33120A function generator and a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope. In doing so, the example shows you how to configure many of the status bits described in "Standard Event Status Register" on page 4-8.

**1 Create VISA-GPIB objects** — Create the VISA-GPIB object fgen associated with a Keysight 33120A function generator at primary address 1.

```
fgen = visadev("GPIB0::1::0::INSTR");
```

Create the VISA-GPIB object scope associated with a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope at primary address 2.

```
scope = visadev("GPIB0::2::0::INSTR");
```

**2** Configure property values — Configure both objects to time out after 1 second.

```
fgen.Timeout = 1;
scope.Timeout = 1;
```

**3** Write and read data — Configure the function generator to request service when a command error occurs.

```
writeline(fgen,"*CLS");
writeline(fgen,"*ESE 32");
writeline(fgen,"*SRE 32");
```

Configure the oscilloscope to request service when a command error occurs.

```
writeline(scope,"*CLS");
writeline(scope,"*PSC 0");
writeline(scope,"*ESE 32");
```

```
writeline(scope, "DESE 32");
writeline(scope,"*SRE 32");
Determine if any instrument needs servicing.
visastatus(fgen)
ans =
  logical
visastatus(scope)
ans =
  logical
   0
Query the voltage value for each instrument.
writeline(fgen, "Volt?");
writeline(scope, "Volt?");
Determine if either instrument produced an error due to the preceding query.
visastatus(fgen)
ans =
  logical
   0
visastatus(scope)
ans =
  logical
   1
Since Volt? is a valid command for the function generator, the value is read back successfully.
volt1 = readline(fgen)
volt1 =
  +1.00000E-01
```

Since Volt? is an invalid command for the oscilloscope, it is requesting service. The oscilloscope read operation times out after 1 second.

#### volt2 = readline(scope)

Warning: The specified amount of data was not returned within the Timeout period for 'readlin' visadev' unable to read any data. For more information on possible reasons, see visadev Read Warnings.

ans =

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**4 Disconnect and clean up** — Use clear to disconnect the instruments from the VISA-GPIB objects fgen and scope and to clear it from the MATLAB workspace when you are done working with it.

clear fgen scope

#### See Also

visastatus

## **Related Examples**

• "Write and Read GPIB Data" on page 4-10

## **Transition Your Code to visadev Interface**

The visa function, its object functions, and its properties will be removed. Use visadev instead.

visa Interface	visadev Interface	Example
instrhwinfo	visadevlist	"Discover VISA Devices" on page 5-32
visa and fopen	visadev	"Connect to VISA Device" on page 5-32
fwrite	write	"Write and Read Binary or
fread	read	String Data" on page 5-33
fprintf	writeline	"Read Terminated String" on page 5-33
fscanf	readline	"Read Terminated String" on page 5-33
fgetl		"Read and Parse String Data"
fgets		on page 5-34
query	writeread	"Write and Read Back Data" on page 5-35
binblockwrite	writebinblock	"Write and Read Binblock Data"
binblockread	readbinblock	on page 5-35
flushinput, flushoutput, and clrdevice	flush	"Flush Data from Memory" on page 5-36
Terminator	configureTerminator	"Set Terminator" on page 5-36
spoll	visastatus	
trigger	visatrigger	
PinStatus	getpinstatus	
DataTerminalReady and RequestToSend	setDTR and setRTS	
RsrcName	ResourceName	
EOSMode and EOSCharCode	Terminator	
ErrorFcn	ErrorOccurredFcn	
ManufacturerID	VendorID	
ModelCode	ProductID	

## **Removed Functionality**

The memmap, mempeek, mempoke, memread, memunmap, and memwrite functions and the MappedMemoryBase, MappedMemorySize, MemoryBase, MemoryIncrement, MemorySize, MemorySpace properties will be removed. VISA-VXI register-based communication is not available in the updated interface.

The TriggerFcn, TriggerLine, and TriggerType properties will be removed. You can send a trigger message to VISA-GPIB or VISA-VXI instruments using visatrigger in the updated interface.

The ValuesReceived and ValuesSent properties will be removed.

The readasync and stopasync functions and the ReadAsyncMode and TransferStatus properties will be removed. The updated interface reads data synchronously.

The BytesToOutput, InputBufferSize, and OutputBufferSize properties will be removed. Buffer sizes are automatically managed and sized as needed in the updated interface.

The BytesAvailableFcnCount, BytesAvailableFcnMode, BytesAvailableFcn, BytesAvailable, OutputEmptyFcn, and InterruptFcn properties will be removed. Callback functions are not supported in the updated interface.

The RecordDetail, RecordMode, RecordName, and RecordStatus properties will be removed.

The TimerFcn and TimerPeriod properties will be removed. Use timer instead.

The Name, Type, ObjectVisibility, Status, and Tag properties will be removed.

#### **Discover VISA Devices**

This example shows how to discover VISA devices using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>instrhwinfo('visa','ni')</pre>	visadevlist

For more information, see visadevlist.

#### Connect to VISA Device

These examples show how to connect to a VISA device and disconnect from it using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>v = visa('ni','GPIB::1::0::INSTR') fopen(v)</pre>	<pre>v = visadev("GPIB::1::0::INSTR");</pre>
<pre>fclose(v) delete(v) clear v</pre>	clear v

The fopen function is not available in the updated interface. The object creation function visadev both creates the object and connects the object to the device.

The fclose function is not available in the updated interface. The clear function disconnects the object from the device when it removes the object from the workspace.

For more information, see visadev.

## Write and Read Binary or String Data

These examples show how to perform a binary write and read, and how to write and read nonterminated string data, using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% v is a visa object fwrite(v,1:5) data = fread(v,5)	% v is a visadev object write(v,1:5) data = read(v,5)
data =	data =
1 2 3 4 5	1 2 3 4 5
<pre>% v is a visa object fwrite(v,"hello","char") length = 5; data = fread(v,length,"char")</pre>	<pre>% v is a visadev object write(v, "hello", "string") length = 5; data = read(v,length, "string")</pre>
data =	data =
104 101 108 108 111	"hello"
data = char(data)'	
data =	
'hello'	

For more information, see write or read.

## **Read Terminated String**

This example shows how to perform a terminated string write and read using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>% v is a visa object v.Terminator = "CR"; fprintf(v, "hello") data = fscanf(v)</pre>	% v is a visadev object configureTerminator(v,"CR") writeline(v,"hello") data = readline(v)
data =	a =
'hello	"hello"
% v is a visa object v.Terminator = "CR"; fprintf(v, "hello") data = fgetl(v)	
data =	
'hello'	
fgetl reads until the specified terminator is reached and then discards the terminator.	
% v is a visa object v.Terminator = "CR"; fprintf(v,"hello") data = fgets(v)	
data =	
'hello	
fgets reads until the specified terminator is reached and then returns the terminator.	

For more information, see writeline or readline.

## **Read and Parse String Data**

This example shows how to read and parse string data using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% v is a visa object data = scanstr(v,';')	% v is a visadev object data = readline(v)
data =	data =
3×1 cell array	"a;b;c"
{'a'} {'b'}	<pre>data = strsplit(v,";")</pre>
{'c'}	data =
	1×3 string array
	"a" "b" "c"

For more information, see readline.

## Write and Read Back Data

This example shows how to write ASCII terminated data and read ASCII terminated data back using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
	% v is a visadev object data = writeread(v,"ctrlcmd")
data =	data =
'success'	"success"

For more information, see writeline or readline.

## Write and Read Binblock Data

This example shows how to write data with the IEEE standard binary block protocol using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% v is a visa object binblockwrite(v,1:5); data = binblockread(v)	% v is a visadev object writebinblock(v,1:5) data = readbinblock(v)
data =	data =
1 2 3 4 5	1 2 3 4 5

For more information, see writebinblock or readbinblock.

## Flush Data from Memory

This example shows how to flush data from the buffer using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>% v is a visa object flushinput(v) clrdevice(v)</pre>	% v is a visadev object flush(v,"input")
<pre>% v is a visa object flushoutput(v) clrdevice(v)</pre>	% v is a visadev object flush(v,"output")
<pre>% v is a visa object flushinput(v) flushoutput(v) clrdevice(v)</pre>	% v is a visadev object flush(v)

For more information, see flush.

## **Set Terminator**

These examples show how to set the terminator using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
	% v is a visadev object configureTerminator(v,"CR/LF")
	% v is a visadev object configureTerminator(v,"CR/LF",10)

For more information, see configureTerminator.

#### See Also

visadev

#### **More About**

• R2020b VISA Interface Topics

# **Controlling Instruments Using the Serial Port**

This chapter describes specific issues related to controlling instruments that use the serial port.

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- "Create Serial Port Object" on page 6-13
- "Configure Serial Port Communication Settings" on page 6-15
- "Write and Read Serial Port Data" on page 6-17
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## **Serial Port Overview**

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#### What Is Serial Communication?

Serial communication is the most common low-level protocol for communicating between two or more devices. Normally, one device is a computer, while the other device can be a modem, a printer, another computer, or a scientific instrument such as an oscilloscope or a function generator.

As the name suggests, the serial port sends and receives bytes of information in a serial fashion—one bit at a time. These bytes are transmitted using either a binary format or a text (ASCII) format.

For many serial port applications, you can communicate with your instrument without detailed knowledge of how the serial port works. Communication is established through a serial port object, which you create in the MATLAB workspace.

If your application is straightforward, or if you are already familiar with the topics mentioned above, you might want to begin with "Create Serial Port Object" on page 6-13. If you want a high-level description of all the steps you are likely to take when communicating with your instrument, refer to "Get Started with Instrument Control Toolbox".

#### **Serial Port Interface Standard**

Over the years, several serial port interface standards for connecting computers to peripheral devices have been developed. These standards include RS-232, RS-422, and RS-485 — all of which are supported by the serialport object. The most widely used standard is RS-232.

The current version of this standard is designated TIA/EIA-232C, which is published by the Telecommunications Industry Association. However, the term "RS-232" is still in popular use, and is used here to refer to a serial communication port that follows the TIA/EIA-232 standard. RS-232 defines these serial port characteristics:

- · Maximum bit transfer rate and cable length
- Names, electrical characteristics, and functions of signals
- Mechanical connections and pin assignments

Primary communication uses three pins: the Transmit Data pin, the Receive Data pin, and the Ground pin. Other pins are available for data flow control, but are not required.

**Note** This guide assumes that you are using the RS-232 standard. Refer to your device documentation to see which interface standard you can use.

## **Supported Platforms**

The MATLAB serial port interface is supported on:

- Linux 64-bit
- macOS 64-bit
- Microsoft® Windows 64-bit

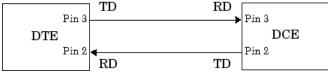
## **Connecting Two Devices with a Serial Cable**

The RS-232 and RS-485 standard defines the two devices connected with a serial cable as the data terminal equipment (DTE) and data circuit-terminating equipment (DCE). This terminology reflects the RS-232 origin as a standard for communication between a computer terminal and a modem.

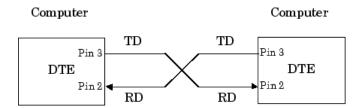
In this guide, your computer is considered a DTE, while peripheral devices such as modems and printers are considered DCEs. Note that many scientific instruments function as DTEs.

Because RS-232 mainly involves connecting a DTE to a DCE, the pin assignment definitions specify straight-through cabling, where pin 1 is connected to pin 1, pin 2 is connected to pin 2, and so on. A DTE-to-DCE serial connection using the transmit data (TD) pin and the receive data (RD) pin is shown below. Refer to "Serial Port Signals and Pin Assignments" on page 6-4 for more information about serial port pins.

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If you connect two DTEs or two DCEs using a straight serial cable, then the TD pin on each device is connected to the other, and the RD pin on each device is connected to the other. Therefore, to connect two like devices, you must use a *null modem* cable. As shown below, null modem cables cross the transmit and receive lines in the cable.

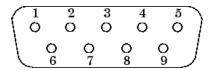


**Note** You can connect multiple RS-422 or RS-485 devices to a serial port. If you have an RS-232/RS-485 adaptor, then you can use the serialport object with these devices.

## **Serial Port Signals and Pin Assignments**

Serial ports consist of two signal types: *data signals* and *control signals*. To support these signal types, as well as the signal ground, the RS-232 standard defines a 25-pin connection. However, most PCs and UNIX® platforms use a 9-pin connection. In fact, only three pins are required for serial port communications: one for receiving data, one for transmitting data, and one for the signal ground.

The following figure shows a pin assignment scheme for a nine-pin male connector on a DTE.



This table describes the pins and signals associated with the nine-pin connector. Refer to the RS-232 or the RS-485 standard for a description of the signals and pin assignments for a 25-pin connector.

#### Serial Port Pin and Signal Assignments

Pin	Label	Signal Name	Signal Type
1	CD	Carrier Detect	Control
2	RD	Received Data	Data
3	TD	Transmitted Data	Data
4	DTR	Data Terminal Ready	Control
5	GND	Signal Ground	Ground
6	DSR	Data Set Ready	Control
7	RTS	Request to Send	Control
8	CTS	Clear to Send	Control
9	RI	Ring Indicator	Control

The term "data set" is synonymous with "modem" or "device," while the term "data terminal" is synonymous with "computer."

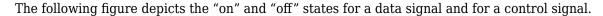
**Note** The serial port pin and signal assignments are with respect to the DTE. For example, data is transmitted from the TD pin of the DTE to the RD pin of the DCE.

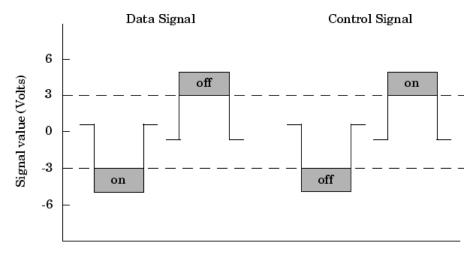
#### **Signal States**

Signals can be in either an *active state* or an *inactive state*. An active state corresponds to the binary value 1, while an inactive state corresponds to the binary value 0. An active signal state is often described as *logic 1*, *on*, *true*, or a *mark*. An inactive signal state is often described as *logic 0*, *off*, *false*, or a *space*.

For data signals, the "on" state occurs when the received signal voltage is more negative than -3 volts, while the "off" state occurs for voltages more positive than 3 volts. For control signals, the "on" state occurs when the received signal voltage is more positive than 3 volts, while the "off" state occurs for voltages more negative than -3 volts. The voltage between -3 volts and +3 volts is considered a transition region, and the signal state is undefined.

To bring the signal to the "on" state, the controlling device *unasserts* (or *lowers*) the value for data pins and *asserts* (or *raises*) the value for control pins. Conversely, to bring the signal to the "off" state, the controlling device asserts the value for data pins and unasserts the value for control pins.





#### **Data Pins**

Most serial port devices support *full-duplex* communication, meaning that they can send and receive data at the same time. Therefore, separate pins are used for transmitting and receiving data. For these devices, the TD, RD, and GND pins are used. However, some types of serial port devices support only one-way or *half-duplex* communications. For these devices, only the TD and GND pins are used. This guide assumes that a full-duplex serial port is connected to your device.

The TD pin carries data transmitted by a DTE to a DCE. The RD pin carries data that is received by a DTE from a DCE.

#### **Control Pins**

The control pins of a nine-pin serial port are used to determine the presence of connected devices and control the flow of data. The control pins include:

- "RTS and CTS Pins" on page 6-5
- "DTR and DSR Pins" on page 6-6
- "CD and RI Pins" on page 6-6

#### **RTS and CTS Pins**

The RTS and CTS pins are used to signal whether the devices are ready to send or receive data. This type of data flow control — called hardware handshaking — is used to prevent data loss during transmission. When enabled for both the DTE and DCE, hardware handshaking using RTS and CTS follows these steps:

- 1 The DTE asserts the RTS pin to instruct the DCE that it is ready to receive data.
- 2 The DCE asserts the CTS pin, indicating that it is clear to send data over the TD pin. If data can no longer be sent, the CTS pin is unasserted.
- **3** The data is transmitted to the DTE over the TD pin. If data can no longer be accepted, the RTS pin is unasserted by the DTE and the data transmission is stopped.

To enable hardware handshaking, refer to "Controlling the Flow of Data: Handshaking" on page 6-24.

#### **DTR and DSR Pins**

Many devices use the DSR and DTR pins to signal if they are connected and powered. Signaling the presence of connected devices using DTR and DSR follows these steps:

- **1** The DTE asserts the DTR pin to request that the DCE connect to the communication line.
- **2** The DCE asserts the DSR pin to indicate that it is connected.
- **3** DCE unasserts the DSR pin when it is disconnected from the communication line.

The DTR and DSR pins were originally designed to provide an alternative method of hardware handshaking. However, the RTS and CTS pins are usually used in this way, and not the DSR and DTR pins. Refer to your device documentation to determine its specific pin behavior.

#### **CD and RI Pins**

The CD and RI pins are typically used to indicate the presence of certain signals during modemmodem connections.

CD is used by a modem to signal that it has made a connection with another modem, or has detected a carrier tone. CD is asserted when the DCE is receiving a signal of a suitable frequency. CD is unasserted if the DCE is not receiving a suitable signal.

RI is used to indicate the presence of an audible ringing signal. RI is asserted when the DCE is receiving a ringing signal. RI is unasserted when the DCE is not receiving a ringing signal (for example, it is between rings).

#### **Serial Data Format**

The serial data format includes one start bit, between five and eight data bits, and one stop bit. A parity bit and an additional stop bit might be included in the format as well. This diagram illustrates the serial data format.



The format for serial port data is often expressed using the following notation:

number of data bits - parity type - number of stop bits

For example, 8-N-1 is interpreted as eight data bits, no parity bit, and one stop bit, while 7-E-2 is interpreted as seven data bits, even parity, and two stop bits.

The data bits are often referred to as a *character* because these bits usually represent an ASCII character. The remaining bits are called *framing bits* because they frame the data bits.

#### **Bytes Versus Values**

The collection of bits that compose the serial data format is called a *byte*. At first, this term might seem inaccurate because a byte is 8 bits and the serial data format can range between 7 bits and 12

bits. However, when serial data is stored on your computer, the framing bits are stripped away, and only the data bits are retained. Moreover, eight data bits are always used regardless of the number of data bits specified for transmission, with the unused bits assigned a value of 0.

When reading or writing data, you might need to specify a *value*, which can consist of one or more bytes. For example, if you read one value from a device using the int32 format, then that value consists of four bytes. For more information about reading and writing values, refer to "Write and Read Serial Port Data" on page 6-17.

#### **Synchronous and Asynchronous Communication**

The RS-232 and the RS-485 standards support two types of communication protocols: synchronous and asynchronous.

Using the synchronous protocol, all transmitted bits are synchronized to a common clock signal. The two devices initially synchronize themselves to each other, and then continually send characters to stay synchronized. Even when actual data is not really being sent, a constant flow of bits allows each device to know where the other is at any given time. That is, each bit that is sent is either actual data or an idle character. Synchronous communications allows faster data transfer rates than asynchronous methods, because additional bits to mark the beginning and end of each data byte are not required.

Using the asynchronous protocol, each device uses its own internal clock, resulting in bytes that are transferred at arbitrary times. So, instead of using time as a way to synchronize the bits, the data format is used.

In particular, the data transmission is synchronized using the start bit of the word, while one or more stop bits indicate the end of the word. The requirement to send these additional bits causes asynchronous communications to be slightly slower than synchronous. However, it has the advantage that the processor does not have to deal with the additional idle characters. Most serial ports operate asynchronously.

**Note** In this guide, the terms "synchronous" and "asynchronous" refer to whether read or write operations block access to the MATLAB Command Window.

#### **How Are the Bits Transmitted?**

By definition, serial data is transmitted one bit at a time. The order in which the bits are transmitted follows these steps:

- **1** The start bit is transmitted with a value of 0.
- **2** The data bits are transmitted. The first data bit corresponds to the least significant bit (LSB), while the last data bit corresponds to the most significant bit (MSB).
- **3** The parity bit (if defined) is transmitted.
- **4** One or two stop bits are transmitted, each with a value of 1.

The number of bits transferred per second is given by the *baud rate*. The transferred bits include the start bit, the data bits, the parity bit (if defined), and the stop bits.

#### Start and Stop Bits

As described in "Synchronous and Asynchronous Communication" on page 6-7, most serial ports operate asynchronously. This means that the transmitted byte must be identified by start and stop

bits. The start bit indicates when the data byte is about to begin and the stop bit indicates when the data byte has been transferred. The process of identifying bytes with the serial data format follows these steps:

- **1** When a serial port pin is idle (not transmitting data), then it is in an "on" state.
- **2** When data is about to be transmitted, the serial port pin switches to an "off" state due to the start bit
- **3** The serial port pin switches back to an "on" state due to the stop bit(s). This indicates the end of the byte.

#### **Data Bits**

The data bits transferred through a serial port can represent device commands, sensor readings, error messages, and so on. The data can be transferred as either binary data or as text (ASCII) data.

Most serial ports use between five and eight data bits. Binary data is typically transmitted as eight bits. Text-based data is transmitted as either seven bits or eight bits. If the data is based on the ASCII character set, then a minimum of seven bits is required because there are  $2^7$  or 128 distinct characters. If an eighth bit is used, it must have a value of 0. If the data is based on the extended ASCII character set, then eight bits must be used because there are  $2^8$  or 256 distinct characters.

#### **Parity Bit**

The parity bit provides simple error (parity) checking for the transmitted data. This table describes the types of parity checking.

#### **Parity Types**

Parity Type	Description
Even	The data bits plus the parity bit produce an even number of 1s.
Mark	The parity bit is always 1.
Odd	The data bits plus the parity bit produce an odd number of 1s.
Space	The parity bit is always 0.

Mark and space parity checking are seldom used because they offer minimal error detection. You can choose not to use parity checking at all.

The parity checking process follows these steps:

- **1** The transmitting device sets the parity bit to 0 or to 1 depending on the data bit values and the type of parity checking selected.
- **2** The receiving device checks if the parity bit is consistent with the transmitted data. If it is, then the data bits are accepted. If it is not, then an error is returned.

**Note** Parity checking can detect only one-bit errors. Multiple-bit errors can appear as valid data.

For example, suppose the data bits 01110001 are transmitted to your computer. If even parity is selected, then the parity bit is set to 0 by the transmitting device to produce an even number of 1s. If odd parity is selected, then the parity bit is set to 1 by the transmitting device to produce an odd number of 1s.

#### Find Serial Port Information for Your Platform

You can find serial port information using the resources provided by Windows and UNIX platforms.

**Note** Your operating system provides default values for all serial port settings. However, these settings are overridden by your MATLAB code, and have no effect on your serial port application.

You can also use the instrhwinfo function to return the available serial ports programmatically.

#### **Use the serialportlist Function to Find Available Ports**

The serialportlist function returns a list of all serial ports on a system, including virtual serial ports provided by USB-to-serial devices and Bluetooth Serial Port Profile devices. The function provides a list of the serial ports that you have access to on your computer and can use for serial port communication. For example:

#### serialportlist

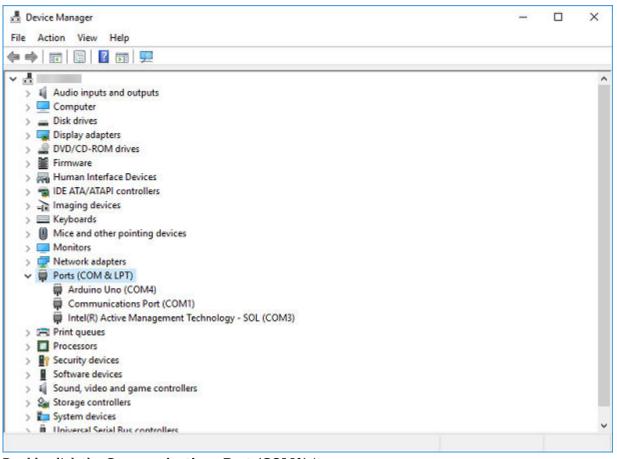
```
ans =
  1×3 string array
    "COM1"    "COM3"    "COM4"
```

**Note** The serialportlist function shows both available and in-use ports on Windows and macOS systems, but on Linux, it shows only available ports and not in-use ports.

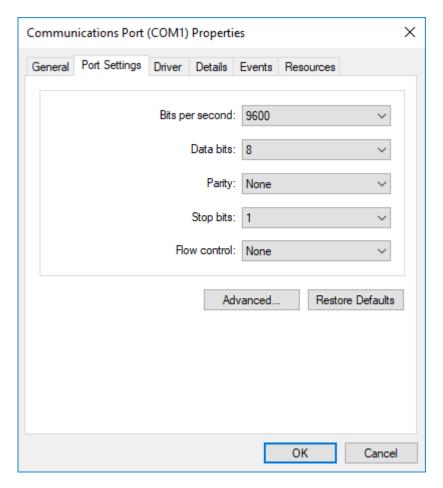
#### Windows Platform

You can access serial port information through the **Device Manager**.

- 1 Open **Device Manager**.
- 2 Expand the Ports (COM & LPT) list.



- **3** Double-click the **Communications Port (COM1)** item.
- 4 Select the **Port Settings** tab.



#### **UNIX Platform**

To find serial port information for UNIX platforms, you need to know the serial port names. These names can vary between different operating systems.

On Linux, serial port devices are typically named ttyS0, ttyS1, and so on. You can use the setserial command to display or configure serial port information. For example, to display which serial ports are available:

```
setserial -bg /dev/ttyS*
/dev/ttyS0 at 0x03f8 (irq = 4) is a 16550A
/dev/ttyS1 at 0x02f8 (irq = 3) is a 16550A
To display detailed information about ttyS0:
setserial -ag /dev/ttyS0
```

**Note** If the setserial -ag command does not work, make sure that you have read and write permission for the port.

For all supported UNIX platforms, including macOS, you can use the stty command to display or configure serial port information. For example, to display serial port properties for ttySO, type:

```
stty -a < /dev/ttyS0
```

To configure the baud rate as 4800 bits per second, type:

```
stty speed 4800 < /dev/ttyS0 > /dev/ttyS0
```

**Note** This example shows how to set tty parameters, not the baud rate. To set the baud rate using the MATLAB serial interface, refer to "Configure Serial Port Communication Settings" on page 6-15.

# **Create Serial Port Object**

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# **Create a Serial Port Object**

You create a serial port object with the serialport function. serialport requires the name of the serial port connected to your device and the baud rate as input arguments. You can also configure property values during object creation using name-value pair arguments.

Each serial port object is associated with one serial port. For example, connect to a device that is on serial port COM1 and configured for a baud rate of 4800.

```
s = serialport("COM1",4800);
```

If the specified port does not exist, or if it is in use, you cannot connect the serial port object to the device. The port name depends on the platform that the serial port is on.

You can also use instrhwinfo to see a list of available serial ports.

```
instrhwinfo("serialport")
```

You can also use the serialportlist function to return a list of all serial ports on a system, including virtual serial ports provided by USB-to-serial devices and Bluetooth Serial Port Profile devices. The list shows all serial ports that you have access to on your computer and can use for serial port communication.

```
serialportlist
```

```
ans =
  1×3 string array
  "COM1" "COM3" "COM4"
```

This table shows an example of serial constructors on different platforms.

Platform	Serial Constructor
Linux 64-bit	s = serialport("/dev/ttyS0",9600);
macOS 64-bit	<pre>s = serialport("/dev/tty.KeySerial1",9600);</pre>
Microsoft Windows 64-bit	s = serialport("COM1",9600);

**Note** The first time you try to access a serial port in MATLAB using the s = serialport("COM1", 9600) call, make sure that the port is free and is not already open in any other application. If the port is open in another application, MATLAB cannot access it. After you access the serial port in MATLAB, you can open the same port in other applications, and MATLAB continues to use it along with any other application that has it open as well.

# **Serial Port Object Display**

The serial port object provides a convenient display that summarizes important configuration and state information. You can invoke the display summary in three ways:

- Type the serial port object variable name at the command line.
- Exclude the semicolon when creating a serial port object.
- Exclude the semicolon when configuring properties using dot notation.

You can also display summary information using the workspace browser by right-clicking an instrument object and selecting **Display Summary** from the context menu.

The display summary for the serial port object s on a Windows machine is given here.

```
s = serialport("COM4",9600)
 Serialport with properties:
                 Port: "COM4"
             BaudRate: 9600
   NumBytesAvailable: 0
 Show all properties, all methods
                      Port: "COM4"
                  BaudRate: 9600
         NumBytesAvailable: 0
                 ByteOrder: "little-endian"
                  DataBits: 8
                  StopBits: 1
                    Parity: "none"
               FlowControl: "none"
                   Timeout: 10
                Terminator: "LF"
     BytesAvailableFcnMode: "off"
    BytesAvailableFcnCount: 64
         BytesAvailableFcn: []
           NumBytesWritten: 0
          ErrorOccurredFcn: []
                  UserData: []
```

Use dot notation to configure and display property values.

```
s.BaudRate = 4800;
s.BaudRate

ans =
4800
```

For more information about configuring these properties, see serialport.

# **Configure Serial Port Communication Settings**

Before you can write or read data, both the serial port object and the instrument must have identical communication settings. Configuring serial port communications involves specifying values for properties that control the baud rate and the "Serial Data Format" on page 6-6. These properties are as follows.

#### **Serial Port Communication Properties**

<b>Property Name</b>	Description
BaudRate on page 23-0	Specify the rate at which bits are transmitted.
Parity on page 23-0	Specify the type of parity checking.
DataBits on page 23-0	Specify the number of data bits to transmit.
StopBits on page 23-0	Specify the number of bits used to indicate the end of a byte.
Terminator on page 23-0	Specify the terminator character.

**Caution** If the serial port object and the instrument communication settings are not identical, you might not be able to successfully read or write data.

Refer to your instrument documentation for an explanation of its supported communication settings.

You can display the communication property values for the serial port object s created in "Create Serial Port Object" on page 6-13.

```
s = serialport("COM4",9600)
S =
  Serialport with properties:
                  Port: "COM4"
              BaudRate: 9600
    NumBytesAvailable: 0
  Show all properties, all methods
                       Port: "COM4"
                   BaudRate: 9600
         NumBytesAvailable: 0
                  ByteOrder: "little-endian"
                   DataBits: 8
                   StopBits: 1
                Parity: "none" FlowControl: "none"
                    Timeout: 10
                 Terminator: "LF"
```

BytesAvailableFcnMode: "off" BytesAvailableFcnCount: 64 BytesAvailableFcn: [] NumBytesWritten: 0

# Write and Read Serial Port Data

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# **Rules for Completing Write and Read Operations**

#### **Completing Write Operations**

A write operation using write, writeline, or writebinblock completes when one of these conditions is satisfied:

- The specified data is written.
- The time specified by the Timeout property passes.

A text command is processed by the instrument only when it receives the required terminator. For serial port objects, each occurrence of \n in the ASCII command is replaced with the Terminator property value. The default value of Terminator is the line feed character. Refer to the documentation for your instrument to determine the terminator required by your instrument.

#### **Completing Read Operations**

A read operation with read, readline, or readbinblock completes when one of these conditions is satisfied:

- The specified number of values is read.
- The time specified by the Timeout property passes.
- The terminator specified by the Terminator property is read.

# **Writing and Reading Text Data**

This example illustrates how to communicate with a serial port instrument by writing and reading text data.

The instrument is a Tektronix TDS 210 two-channel oscilloscope connected to the serial port COM1. Therefore, many of the commands in the example are specific to this instrument. A sine wave is input into channel 2 of the oscilloscope, and you want to measure the peak-to-peak voltage of the input signal.

These functions and properties are used when reading and writing text.

Function	Purpose	
readline	Read text data from the instrument.	
writeline	Write text data to the instrument.	
"Terminator" on page 23-0	Character used to terminate commands sent to the instrument.	

#### **Note** This example is Windows specific.

**1 Create a serial port object** — Create the serial port object **s** associated with the serial port COM1.

```
s = serialport("COM1",9600);
```

**2** Write and read data — Write the \*IDN? command to the instrument using writeline, and then read back the result of the command using readline.

```
writeline(s,"*IDN?")
s.NumBytesAvailable

ans =
    56
idn = readline(s)
idn =
    "TEKTRONIX,TDS 210,0,CF:91.1CT FV:v1.16 TDS2CM:CMV:v1.04"
```

You need to determine the measurement source. Possible measurement sources include channel 1 and channel 2 of the oscilloscope.

```
writeline(s,"MEASUREMENT:IMMED:SOURCE?")
source = readline(s)
source =
    "CH1"
```

The scope is configured to return a measurement from channel 1. Because the input signal is connected to channel 2, you must configure the instrument to return a measurement from this channel.

```
writeline(s,"MEASUREMENT:IMMED:SOURCE CH2")
writeline(s,"MEASUREMENT:IMMED:SOURCE?")
source = readline(s)
source =
    "CH2"
```

You can now configure the scope to return the peak-to-peak voltage, and then request the value of this measurement.

```
writeline(s,"MEASUREMENT:MEAS1:TYPE PK2PK")
writeline(s,"MEASUREMENT:MEAS1:VALUE?")
```

Read back the result using the readline function.

```
ptop = readline(s)
ptop =
    "2.0199999809E0"
```

**3 Disconnect and clean up** — Clear the serial port object s from the MATLAB workspace when you are done working with it.

```
clear s
```

### Writing and Reading Binary Data

This example explores binary read and write operations with a serial port object. The instrument used is a Tektronix® TDS 210 oscilloscope.

#### **Functions and Properties**

These functions are used when reading and writing binary data.

Function	Purpose	
read	Read binary data from the instrument.	
write	Write binary data to the instrument.	

#### **Configure and Connect to the Serial Object**

You need to create a serial object. In this example, create a serial port object associated with the COM1 port.

```
s = serialport("COM1",9600);
```

#### **Write Binary Data**

You use the write function to write binary data to the instrument. A binary write operation completes when one of these conditions is satisfied:

- All the data is written.
- A timeout occurs as specified by the Timeout property.

**Note** When you perform a write operation, think of the transmitted data in terms of values rather than bytes. A value consists of one or more bytes. For example, one uint32 value consists of four bytes.

#### Writing Int16 Binary Data

Write a waveform as an int16 array.

```
write(s,"Data:Destination RefB","string");
write(s,"Data:Encdg SRPbinary","string");
write(s,"Data:Width 2","string");
write(s,"Data:Start 1","string");

t = (0:499) .* 8 * pi / 500;
data = round(sin(t) * 90 + 127);
write(s,"CURVE #3500","string");
```

Note that one int16 value consists of two bytes. Therefore, the following command writes 1000 bytes.

```
write(s,data,"int16")
```

#### **Reading Binary Data**

You use the read function to read binary data from the instrument. A binary read operation completes when one of these conditions is satisfied:

- A timeout occurs as specified by the Timeout property.
- · The specified number of values is read.

**Note** When you perform a read operation, think of the received data in terms of values rather than bytes. A value consists of one or more bytes. For example, one uint32 value consists of four bytes.

#### Reading int16 Binary Data

Read the same waveform on channel 1 as an int16 array.

```
read(s,"Data:Source CH1","string");
read(s,"Data:Encdg SRPbinary","string");
read(s,"Data:Width 2","string");
read(s,"Data:Start 1","string");
read(s,"Data:Stop 2500","string");
read(s,"Curve?","string")
```

Note that one int16 value consists of two bytes. Therefore, the following command reads 512 bytes.

```
data = read(s,256, "int16");
```

#### **Disconnect and Clean Up**

If you are finished with the serial port object, clear the object from the workspace.

```
clear s
```

# **Use Callbacks for Serial Port Communication**

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"Using Callbacks" on page 6-21	"

# **Callback Properties**

The properties and functions associated with callbacks are as follows.

Property or Function	Purpose
NumBytesAvailable	Number of bytes available to read
BytesAvailableFcn	Bytes available callback function
BytesAvailableFcnCount	Number of bytes of data to trigger callback
BytesAvailableFcnMode	Bytes available callback trigger mode
configureCallback	Set serial port callback function and trigger

# **Using Callbacks**

This example uses a loopback device with the callback function readSerialData to return data to the command line when a terminator is read.

**Note** This example is Windows specific.

**1 Create the callback function** — Define a callback function readSerialData that performs a terminated string read and returns the data.

```
function readSerialData(src,~)
    data = readline(src);
    disp(data);
end
```

**2 Create an instrument object** — Create the serial port object **s** associated with serial port COM1.

```
s = serialport("COM1",9600);
```

**3 Configure properties** — Configure s to execute the callback function readSerialData when the terminator is read.

```
configureCallback(s,"terminator",@readSerialData)
```

**4 Disconnect and clean up** — Clear the objects from the MATLAB workspace when you are done.

```
clear s
```

# **Use Serial Port Control Pins**

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"Signaling the Presence of Connected Devices" on page 6-22	
"Controlling the Flow of Data: Handshaking" on page 6-24	

#### **Control Pins**

As described in "Serial Port Signals and Pin Assignments" on page 6-4, nine-pin serial ports include six control pins. The functions and properties associated with the serial port control pins are as follows.

Function	Purpose
getpinstatus	Get serial pin status.
setRTS	Specify the state of the RTS pin.
setDTR	Specify the state of the DTR pin.
FlowControl	Specify the data flow control method to use.

# Signaling the Presence of Connected Devices

DTEs and DCEs often use the CD, DSR, RI, and DTR pins to indicate whether a connection is established between serial port devices. Once the connection is established, you can begin to write or read data.

You can monitor the state of the CD, DSR, and RI pins with the getpinstatus function. You can specify the state of the DTR pin with the setDTR function.

The following example illustrates how these pins are used when two modems are connected to each other.

#### **Connect Two Modems**

This example (shown on a Windows machine) connects two modems to each other through the same computer, and illustrates how you can monitor the communication status for the computer-modem connections, and for the modem-modem connection. The first modem is connected to COM1, while the second modem is connected to COM2.

1 Connect to the instruments — After the modems are powered on, the serial port object s1 is created for the first modem, and the serial port object s2 is created for the second modem. both modems are configured for a baud rate of 9600 bits per second.

```
s1 = serialport("COM1",9600);
s2 = serialport("COM2",9600);
```

You can verify that the modems (data sets) are ready to communicate with the computer by examining the value of the Data Set Ready pin using the getpinstatus function.

```
getpinstatus(s)
```

```
ans =
  struct with fields:
    ClearToSend: 1
    DataSetReady: 1
    CarrierDetect: 0
    RingIndicator: 0
```

The value of the DataSetReady field is 1, or true, because both modems were powered on before they were connected to the objects.

**2 Configure properties** — Both modems are configured for a carriage return (CR) terminator using the configureTerminator function.

```
configureTerminator(s1,"CR")
configureTerminator(s2,"CR")
```

**Write and read data** — Write the atd command to the first modem using the writeline function. This command puts the modem "off the hook," and is equivalent to manually lifting a phone receiver.

```
writeline(s1, 'atd')
```

Write the ata command to the second modem using the writeline function. This command puts the modem in "answer mode," which forces it to connect to the first modem.

```
writeline(s2, 'ata')
```

After the two modems negotiate their connection, you can verify the connection status by examining the value of the Carrier Detect pin using the getpinstatus function.

```
getpinstatus(s)
```

```
ans =
  struct with fields:
    ClearToSend: 1
    DataSetReady: 1
    CarrierDetect: 1
    RingIndicator: 0
```

You can also verify the modem-modem connection by reading the descriptive message returned by the second modem.

#### s2.NumBytesAvailable

```
ans =
     25

out = read(s2,25,"uint32")

out =
ata
CONNECT 2400/NONE
```

Now break the connection between the two modems by using the setDTR function. You can verify that the modems are disconnected by examining the Carrier Detect pin value using the getpinstatus function.

```
setDTR(s1,false)
getpinstatus(s1)
ans =
   struct with fields:
        ClearToSend: 1
        DataSetReady: 1
        CarrierDetect: 0
        RingIndicator: 0
```

**4 Disconnect and clean up** — Clear the objects from the MATLAB workspace when you are done.

```
clear s1 s2
```

# Controlling the Flow of Data: Handshaking

Data flow control or *handshaking* is a method used for communicating between a DCE and a DTE to prevent data loss during transmission. For example, suppose your computer can receive only a limited amount of data before it must be processed. As this limit is reached, a handshaking signal is transmitted to the DCE to stop sending data. When the computer can accept more data, another handshaking signal is transmitted to the DCE to resume sending data.

If supported by your device, you can control data flow using one of these methods:

- "Hardware Handshaking" on page 6-24
- "Software Handshaking" on page 6-25

**Note** Although you might be able to configure your device for both hardware handshaking and software handshaking at the same time, MATLAB does not support this behavior.

You can specify the data flow control method with the FlowControl property. If FlowControl is hardware, then hardware handshaking is used to control data flow. If FlowControl is software, then software handshaking is used to control data flow. If FlowControl is none, then no handshaking is used.

#### **Hardware Handshaking**

Hardware handshaking uses specific serial port pins to control data flow. In most cases, these are the RTS and CTS pins. Hardware handshaking using these pins is described in "RTS and CTS Pins" on page 6-5.

If FlowControl is hardware, then the RTS and CTS pins are automatically managed by the DTE and DCE. You can return the CTS pin value with the getpinstatus function. You can configure the RTS pin value with the setRTS function.

**Note** Some devices also use the DTR and DSR pins for handshaking. However, these pins are typically used to indicate that the system is ready for communication, and are not used to control data transmission. In MATLAB, hardware handshaking always uses the RTS and CTS pins.

If your device does not use hardware handshaking in the standard way, then you might need to manually configure the RTS pin using the setRTS function. In this case, configure FlowControl to

none. If FlowControl is hardware, then the RTS value that you specify might not be honored. Refer to the device documentation to determine its specific pin behavior.

#### **Software Handshaking**

Software handshaking uses specific ASCII characters to control data flow. The following table describes these characters, known as Xon and Xoff (or XON and XOFF).

#### **Software Handshaking Characters**

Character	Integer Value	Description
Xon	17	Resume data transmission.
Xoff	19	Pause data transmission.

When you use software handshaking, the control characters are sent over the transmission line the same way as regular data. Therefore, you need only the TD, RD, and GND pins.

The main disadvantage of software handshaking is that you cannot write the Xon or Xoff characters while numerical data is being written to the instrument. This is because numerical data might contain a 17 or 19, which makes it impossible to distinguish between the control characters and the data. However, you can write Xon or Xoff while data is being asynchronously read from the instrument because you are using both the TD and RD pins.

#### **Using Software Handshaking**

Suppose you want to use software flow control in conjunction with your serial port application. To do this, you must configure the instrument and the serial port object for software flow control. For a serial port object s connected to a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope, this configuration is accomplished with the following commands.

```
writeline(s,"RS232:SOFTF ON")
s.FlowControl = "software";
```

To pause data transfer, you write the numerical value 19 (Xoff) to the instrument.

```
write(s,19,"uint32");
```

To resume data transfer, you write the numerical value 17 (Xon) to the instrument.

```
write(s,17,"uint32");
```

# **Transition Your Code to serialport Interface**

The serial function, its object functions, and its properties will be removed. Use serialport instead.

serial Interface	serialport Interface	Example
seriallist	serialportlist	"Discover Serial Port Devices" on page 6-27
serial and fopen	serialport	"Connect to Serial Port Device" on page 6-27
fwrite	write	"Read and Write" on page 6-27
fread	read	
fprintf	writeline	"Send a Command" on page 6- 28
fscanf	readline	"Read a Terminated String" on
fgetl		page 6-29
fgets		
binblockwrite	writebinblock	"Write Data with the Binary Block Protocol" on page 6-30
binblockread	readbinblock	"Read Data with the Binary Block Protocol" on page 6-30
flushinput and flushoutput	flush	"Flush Data from Memory" on page 6-30
Terminator	configureTerminator	"Set Terminator" on page 6-31
BytesAvailableFcnCount, BytesAvailableFcnMode, BytesAvailableFcn, and BytesAvailable	configureCallback and NumBytesAvailable	"Set Up a Callback Function" on page 6-31
PinStatus	getpinstatus	"Read Serial Pin Status" on page 6-32
DataTerminalReady and RequestToSend	setDTR and setRTS	"Set Serial DTR and RTS Pin States" on page 6-32
ErrorFcn	ErrorOccurredFcn	

# **Removed Functionality**

The ValuesReceived and ValuesSent properties will be removed. You can calculate the number of values sent using the NumBytesAvailable property and the data type of the data available. For example, if the NumBytesAvailable is 20 bytes of uint32 data, the number of values sent is five since each uint32 value is four bytes.

The readasync and stopasync functions and the ReadAsyncMode and TransferStatus properties will be removed. The updated interface reads data asynchronously.

The BytesToOutput, InputBufferSize, and OutputBufferSize properties will be removed. Buffer sizes are automatically managed and sized as needed.

The BreakInterruptFcn, OutputEmptyFcn, and PinStatusFcn properties will be removed. You can set callback functions using configureCallback in the updated interface, but not for these properties.

The RecordDetail, RecordMode, RecordName, and RecordStatus properties will be removed.

The TimerFcn and TimerPeriod properties will be removed. Use timer instead.

The Name, Type, ObjectVisibility, Status, and Tag properties will be removed.

#### **Discover Serial Port Devices**

seriallist will be removed. Use serialportlist instead.

#### **Connect to Serial Port Device**

This example shows how to connect to a serial port device and disconnect from it using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>s = serial("COM1"); s.BaudRate = 115200; fopen(s)</pre>	s = serialport("COM1",115200);
<pre>fclose(s) delete(s) clear s</pre>	clear s

The fopen function is not available in the updated interface. The object creation function serialport both creates the object and connects the object to the device.

The fclose function is not available in the updated interface. The clear function disconnects the object from the device when it removes the object from the workspace.

For more information, see serialport.

#### **Read and Write**

These examples use a loopback device to show how to perform a binary write and read, write a nonterminated command string, and read a fixed-length response string using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% s is a serial object fwrite(s,1:5,"uint32") data = fread(s,5,"uint32")	% s is a serialport object write(s,1:5,"uint32") data = read(s,5,"uint32")
data =	data =
1 2 3 4 5	1 2 3 4 5
% s is a serial object command = "start"; fwrite(s,command,"char")	% s is a serialport object command = "start"; write(s,command,"char")
	% s is a serialport object command = "start"; write(s,command,"string")
% s is a serial object length = 5; resp = fread(s,length,"char")	<pre>% s is a serialport object length = 5; resp = read(s,length,"string")</pre>
resp =	resp =
115 116 97 114 116	"start"
<pre>resp = char(resp)'</pre>	
resp =	
'start'	

For more information, see write or read.

# **Send a Command**

This example shows how to write a terminated SCPI command using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead	
	% s is a serialport object	
s.Terminator = "CR/LF"	configureTerminator(s,"CR/LF")	
channel = 1;	channel = 1;	
level = 3.44;	level = 3.44;	
<pre>fprintf(s,"TRIGGER%d:LEVEL2 %1.2f",[channe]</pre>	chevel}printf("TRIGGER%d:LEVEL2 %1.2f",[cha	nnel,level
·	writeline(s,cmd)	
	writeline automatically appends the write	
	terminator.	

For more information, see configureTerminator or writeline.

# **Read a Terminated String**

This example shows how to perform a terminated string read using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead	
% s is a serial object fprintf(s,"MEASUREMENT:IMMED:TYPE PK2PK") a = fscanf(s,"%e",6)	% s is a serialport object writeline(s,"MEASUREMENT:IMMED:TYPE PK2PK") a = readline(s)	
a =	a =	
2.0200	"2.0200"	
For the format specifier "%e", fscanf returns the terminator and the user must remove it from the string.	<pre>sscanf(a,"%e") a =</pre>	
	2.0200	
% s is a serial object fprintf(s,"*IDN?") a = fgetl(s)	% s is a serialport object writeline(s,"*IDN?") a = readline(s)	
a =	a =	
'TEKTRONIX,TDS 210,0,CF:91.1CT FV:v1.10	"TEKTRONIX,TDS 210,0,CF:91.1CT FV:v1.16	TDS2CM:
fgetl reads until the specified terminator is reached and then discards the terminator.	readline reads until the specified terminator is reached and then discards the terminator. There is no option to include the terminator.	

Functionality	Use This Instead
% s is a serial object fprintf(s,"*IDN?") a = fgets(s)	
a = 'TEKTRONIX,TDS 210,0,CF:91.1CT FV:v1.16	TDS2CM:CMV:v1.04
fgets reads until the specified terminator is reached and then returns the terminator.	

For more information, see readline.

# Write Data with the Binary Block Protocol

This example shows how to write data with the IEEE standard binary block protocol using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% s is a serial object	% s is a serialport object
	waveform = $sin(2*pi*60*0:.16:60)$ ;
<pre>fprintf(s,"WLIS:WAV:DATA")</pre>	writeline(s,"WLIS:WAV:DATA")
<pre>binblockwrite(s,waveform,"double")</pre>	writebinblock(s,waveform,"double")

For more information, see writebinblock.

# **Read Data with the Binary Block Protocol**

This example uses a loopback device to show how to read data with the IEEE standard binary block protocol using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>% s is a serial object fprintf(s,"CURVe?") data = binblockread(s,"double")</pre>	% s is a serialport object writeline(s,"CURVe?") data = readbinblock(s,"double")
data =	data =
1 2 3 4 5	1 2 3 4 5

For more information, see readbinblock.

# Flush Data from Memory

This example shows how to flush data from the buffer using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% s is a serial object flushinput(s)	% s is a serialport object flush(s,"input")
% s is a serial object flushoutput(s)	% s is a serialport object flush(s,"output")
% s is a serial object flushinput(s) flushoutput(s)	% s is a serialport object flush(s)

For more information, see flush.

# **Set Terminator**

This example shows how to set the terminator using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
	% s is a serialport object configureTerminator(s,"CR/LF")
% s is a serial object s.Terminator = {"CR/LF" [10]};	% s is a serialport object configureTerminator(s,"CR/LF",10)

For more information, see configureTerminator.

# **Set Up a Callback Function**

This example uses a loopback device to show how to set up a callback function using the recommended functionality.

```
Use This Instead
Functionality
s = serial("COM5", "BaudRate", 115200)
                                            s = serialport("COM5",115200)
s.BytesAvailableFcnCount = 5
                                            configureCallback(s,"byte",5,@instrcallback);
s.BytesAvailableFcnMode = "byte"
s.BytesAvailableFcn = @instrcallback
                                            function instrcallback(src,evt)
                                               data = read(src,src.NumBytesAvailable,"uint8")
                                               disp(evt)
fopen(s)
                                            end
function instrcallback(src,evt)
   data = fread(src,src.BytesAvailable)
                                            data =
   disp(evt)
   disp(evt.Data)
                                                       2
                                                             3
                                                                    4
                                                                          5
                                                 1
end
                                              DataAvailableInfo with properties:
data =
                                                BytesAvailableFcnCount: 5
                                                                AbsTime: 02-May-2019 15:54:09
     2
     3
     4
    Type: 'BytesAvailable'
    Data: [1×1 struct]
    AbsTime: [2019 5 2 16 35 9.6710]
```

For more information, see configureCallback.

#### **Read Serial Pin Status**

This example shows how to read serial pin status using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% s is a serial object s.PinStatus	% s is a serialport object status = getpinstatus(s)
ans =	status =
struct with fields:	struct with fields:
CarrierDetect: 'on' ClearToSend: 'on' DataSetReady: 'on' RingIndicator: 'on'	ClearToSend: 1 DataSetReady: 1 CarrierDetect: 1 RingIndicator: 1

For more information, see getpinstatus.

# **Set Serial DTR and RTS Pin States**

This example shows how to set serial DTR and RTS pin states using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
	% s is a serialport object setDTR(s,true)
	% s is a serialport object setRTS(s,false)

For more information, see setDTR or setRTS.

# **See Also**

serialportlist|serialport

# Controlling Instruments Using TCP/IP

This chapter describes specific features related to controlling instruments that use the TCP/IP protocols.

- "TCP/IP Communication Overview" on page 7-2
- "Create TCP/IP Client and Configure Settings" on page 7-3
- "Write and Read Data over TCP/IP Interface" on page 7-7
- "Use Callbacks for TCP/IP Communication" on page 7-10
- "Configure Connection in TCP/IP Explorer" on page 7-11
- "Events and Callbacks" on page 7-12
- "Rules for Completing Read and Write Operations over TCP/IP and UDP" on page 7-15
- "Basic Workflow to Read and Write Data over TCP/IP" on page 7-17
- "Read and Write ASCII Data over TCP/IP" on page 7-19
- "Read and Write Binary Data over TCP/IP" on page 7-23
- "Asynchronous Read and Write Operations over TCP/IP" on page 7-27
- "TCP/IP and UDP Comparison" on page 7-32
- "Communicate Using TCP/IP Server Sockets" on page 7-34
- "Transition Your Code to topclient Interface" on page 7-36
- "Transition Your Code to topserver Interface" on page 7-43

# **TCP/IP Communication Overview**

Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) is a transport protocol layered on top of the Internet Protocol (IP) and is one of the most used networking protocols. The MATLAB TCP/IP client support uses raw socket communication and lets you connect to remote hosts from MATLAB for reading and writing data. For example, you can connect to a remote weather station, acquire data, and plot the data.

- **Connection-based protocol** The two ends of the communication link must be connected at all times during the communication.
- **Streaming protocol** TCP/IP has a long stream of data that is transmitted from one end of the connection to the other end, and another long stream of data flowing in the opposite direction. The TCP/IP stack at one end is responsible for breaking the stream of data into packets and sending those packets, while the stack at the other end is responsible for reassembling the packets into a data stream using information in the packet headers.
- Reliable protocol The packets sent by TCP/IP contain a unique sequence number. The starting sequence number is communicated to the other side at the beginning of communication. The receiver acknowledges each packet, and the acknowledgment contains the sequence number so that the sender knows which packet was acknowledged. Because the sender gets an acknowledgement for each packet received, the sender knows when packets do not arrive and can retransmit them. Also, packets that arrive out of sequence can be reassembled in the proper order by the receiver.

Timeouts can be established because the sender knows (from the first few packets) how long it takes on average for a packet to be sent and its acknowledgment received.

You can create a TCP/IP connection to a server or hardware and perform read/write operations. Use the tcpclient function to create the connection, and the write and read functions for synchronously reading and writing data.

#### See Also

tcpclient|tcpserver

#### More About

- "Create TCP/IP Client and Configure Settings" on page 7-3
- "Write and Read Data over TCP/IP Interface" on page 7-7

# **Create TCP/IP Client and Configure Settings**

MATLAB TCP/IP client support lets you connect to remote hosts or hardware from MATLAB for reading and writing data. The typical workflow is:

- Create a TCP/IP connection to a server or hardware.
- · Configure the connection if necessary.
- Perform read and write operations.
- Clear and close the connection.

To communicate over the TCP/IP interface, first create a tcpclient object.

```
t = tcpclient(address,port);
```

The address can be either a remote host name or a remote IP address. In both cases, the port must be a positive integer between 1 and 65535.

# **Create Object Using Host Name**

Create the TCP/IP object t using the host address shown and port 80.

```
t = tcpclient("www.mathworks.com",80)
t =
    tcpclient with properties:
        Address: 'www.mathworks.com'
        Port: 80
    NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

When you connect using a host name, such as a specified web address or 'localhost', the IP address defaults to IPv6 format. If the server you are connecting to is expecting IPv4 format, connection fails. For IPv4, you can create a connection by specifying an explicit IP address rather than a host name.

# **Create Object Using IP Address**

Create the TCP/IP object t using the IP address shown and port 80.

```
t = tcpclient("144.212.130.17",80)
t =
    tcpclient with properties:
        Address: '144.212.130.17'
        Port: 80
    NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

# **Set Timeout Property**

Create the object and use a name-value pair argument to set the Timeout value. The Timeout parameter specifies the waiting time to complete read and write operations in seconds, and the default value is 10. You can change the value either during object creation or after you create the object.

Create a TCP/IP object with a timeout of 20 seconds.

```
t = tcpclient("144.212.130.17",80,"Timeout",20)
t =
    tcpclient with properties:
        Address: '144.212.130.17'
        Port: 80
    NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

View the Timeout property.

```
t.Timeout
```

```
ans = 20
```

The output reflects the Timeout property change.

# **Set Connect Timeout Property**

Create the object and use a name-value pair argument to set the ConnectTimeout value. The ConnectTimeout parameter specifies the maximum time in seconds to wait for a connection request to the specified remote host to succeed or fail. The value must be greater than or equal to 1. If you do not specify ConnectTimeout, it has the default value of Inf. You can specify the value only during object creation.

Create a TCP/IP object and specify ConnectTimeout as 10 seconds.

```
t = tcpclient("144.212.130.17",80,"ConnectTimeout",10)
t =
    tcpclient with properties:
        Address: '144.212.130.17'
        Port: 80
    NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

View the ConnectTimeout property.

t.ConnectTimeout

```
ans =
```

The output reflects the ConnectTimeout property change.

**Note** If you specify an invalid address or port or the connection to the server cannot be established, the object is not created.

# **Set Transfer Delay Property**

Create the object and use a name-value pair argument to set the <code>EnableTransferDelay</code> value. The <code>EnableTransferDelay</code> parameter specifies whether Nagle's algorithm is on or off. If transfer delay is enabled, the client collects small segments of outstanding data and sends them in a single packet when acknowledgement (ACK) arrives from the server. If transfer delay is disabled, the client immediately sends data to the network. If you do not specify <code>EnableTransferDelay</code>, it is <code>true</code> by default. You can specify the value only during object creation.

Create a TCP/IP object with transfer delay disabled.

View the EnableTransferDelay property.

t.EnableTransferDelay

```
ans =
logical
```

The output reflects the EnableTransferDelay property change.

# **View TCP/IP Object Properties**

After you create a tcpclient object, you can view a full list of properties and their values. Click properties in the tcpclient output.

```
t = tcpclient("www.mathworks.com",80)
t =
  tcpclient with properties:
```

```
Address: 'www.mathworks.com'
               Port: 80
 NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
                 Address: 'www.mathworks.com'
                    Port: 80
       NumBytesAvailable: 0
          ConnectTimeout: Inf
                 Timeout: 10
               ByteOrder: "little-endian"
              Terminator: "LF"
   BytesAvailableFcnMode: "off"
 BytesAvailableFcnCount: 64
       BytesAvailableFcn: []
         NumBytesWritten: 0
     EnableTransferDelay: 1
        ErrorOccurredFcn: []
                UserData: []
```

For more information about how to configure these properties, see "Properties" on page 23-377.

You can use the configureTerminator and configureCallback functions to configure certain properties.

#### See Also

tcpclient

#### **More About**

• "Write and Read Data over TCP/IP Interface" on page 7-7

# Write and Read Data over TCP/IP Interface

# "Write Data" on page 7-7 "Read Data" on page 7-7 "Acquire Data from Weather Station Server" on page 7-8 "Read Page from Website" on page 7-8

#### **Write Data**

The write function synchronously writes data to the remote host connected to the tcpclient object. First specify the data, then write the data. The function waits until the specified number of values is written to the remote host.

In this example, a tcpclient object t already exists.

```
% Create a variable called data
data = 1:10;
% Write the data to the object t
write(t, data)
```

**Note** For any read or write operation, the data type is converted to uint8 for the data transfer. It is then converted back to the data type you set if you specified another data type.

#### **Read Data**

The read function synchronously reads data from the remote host connected to the tcpclient object and returns the data. There are three read options:

- Read all bytes available (no arguments).
- Optionally specify the number of bytes to read.
- Optionally specify the data type.

If you do not specify a size, the default read uses the BytesAvailable property value, which is equal to the number of bytes available in the input buffer.

In these examples, a tcpclient object t already exists.

```
% Read all bytes available.
read(t)
% Specify the number of bytes to read, 5 in this case.
read(t,5)
% Specify the number of bytes to read, 10, and the data type, double.
read(t,10,"double")
```

**Note** For any read or write operation, the data type is converted to uint8 for the data transfer. It is then converted back to the data type you set if you specified another data type.

# Acquire Data from Weather Station Server

One of the primary uses of TCP/IP communication is to acquire data from a server. This example shows how to acquire and plot data from a remote weather station.

**Note** The IP address in this example is not a working IP address. The example shows how to connect to a remote server. Substitute the address shown here with the IP address or host name of a server you want to communicate with.

1 Create the tcpclient object using the address shown here and port 1045.

```
t = tcpclient("172.28.154.231",1045)
t =
    tcpclient with properties:
        Address: '172.28.154.231'
        Port: 1045
    NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

Acquire data using the read function. Specify the number of bytes to read as 30, for 10 samples from three sensors (temperature, pressure, and humidity). Specify the data type as double.

```
data = read(t,30,"double");
Reshape the 1-by-30 data into 10-by-3 data to show one column each for temperature, pressure,
and humidity.
```

```
data = reshape(data,[3,10]);
4 Plot the temperature.
```

```
subplot(311);
plot(data(:,1));
```

Plot the pressure.

```
subplot(312);
plot(data(:,2));
```

**6** Plot the humidity.

```
subplot(313);
plot(data(:,3));
```

**7** Close the connection between the TCP/IP client object and the remote host by clearing the object.

```
clear t
```

# **Read Page from Website**

In this example, you read a page from the RFC Editor Web site using a TCP/IP object.

**1** Create a TCP/IP object. Port 80 is the standard port for web servers.

```
t = tcpclient("www.rfc-editor.org",80);
```

Set the Terminator property of the TCP/IP object.

```
configureTerminator(t,"LF","CR/LF");
```

**2** You can now communicate with the server using the writeline and readline functions.

To ask a web server to send a web page, use the GET command. You can ask for a text file from the RFC Editor Web site using 'GET (path/filename)'.

```
writeline(t, "GET /rfc/rfc793.txt");
```

The server receives the command and sends back the web page. You can see if any data was sent back by looking at the NumBytesAvailable property of the object.

t.NumBytesAvailable

Now you can start to read the web page data. By default, readline reads one line at a time. You can read lines of data until the NumBytesAvailable value is 0. Note that you do not see a rendered web page; the HTML file data scrolls by on the screen.

```
while (t.NumBytesAvailable > 0)
   A = readline(t)
end
```

If you want to do more communication, you can continue to read and write data. If you are done with the object, clear it.

```
clear t
```

#### See Also

read | readline | write | writeline

# **Use Callbacks for TCP/IP Communication**

You can enhance the power and flexibility of your TCP/IP client by using events and callbacks. An event occurs after a condition is met and can result in one or more callbacks.

While MATLAB is connected to a remote host with a TCP/IP client, you can use events to display a message, display data, analyze data, and so on. You can control callbacks through callback properties and callback functions. All event types have an associated callback property. Callback functions are MATLAB functions that you write to suit your specific application needs. Execute a callback when a particular event occurs by specifying the name of the callback function as the value for the associated callback property.

For an example of configuring callbacks with the tcpclient object, see "Communicate Binary and ASCII Data to an Echo Server Using TCP/IP" on page 21-117.

The tcpclient properties and functions associated with callbacks follow.

Property or Function	Purpose
NumBytesAvailable	Number of bytes available to read
BytesAvailableFcn	Bytes available callback function
BytesAvailableFcnCount	Number of bytes of data to trigger callback
BytesAvailableFcnMode	Bytes available callback trigger mode
configureCallback	Set callback function and trigger condition for communication with remote host over TCP/IP
ErrorOccurredFcn	Callback function triggered by error event
UserData	General purpose property for user data

#### See Also

#### **More About**

"Communicate Binary and ASCII Data to an Echo Server Using TCP/IP" on page 21-117

# **Configure Connection in TCP/IP Explorer**

After you select **Configure TCP/IP Connection**, the **Configure** tab opens. Set the following connection parameters for the TCP/IP server that you want to connect to.

- Address Server name or IP address.
- **Port** Server port, specified as a number between 1 and 65535, inclusive.
- **Connect Timeout** Allowed time in seconds to connect to the server, specified as a numeric value. This parameter specifies the maximum time to wait for a connection request to the specified server to succeed or fail.
- Transfer Delay Allow delayed acknowledgement from server. If this parameter is enabled,
  Nagle's algorithm is on and the client sends small segments of collected data in a single packet
  when acknowledgement (ACK) arrives from the server. If this parameter is disabled, Nagle's
  algorithm is off and the client immediately sends data to the network.

After you have specified values for these parameters, click **Confirm Parameters**. If the connection is successful, your TCP/IP Connection appears in the **Device List**.

Go back to device selection at any time by clicking Cancel.

#### See Also

# **Events and Callbacks**

#### In this section...

"Event Types and Callback Properties" on page 7-12

"Responding To Event Information" on page 7-12

"Using Events and Callbacks" on page 7-14

# **Event Types and Callback Properties**

The event types and associated callback properties supported by TCP/IP and UDP objects are listed below.

#### TCP/IP and UDP Event Types and Callback Properties

<b>Event Type</b>	Associated Properties	
Bytes available	BytesAvailableFcn	
	BytesAvailableFcnCount	
	BytesAvailableFcnMode	
Datagram received	DatagramReceivedFcn (UDP objects only)	
Error	ErrorFcn	
Output empty	OutputEmptyFcn	
Timer	TimerFcn	
	TimerPeriod	

The datagram-received event is described below. For a description of the other event types, refer to "Event Types and Callback Properties" on page 5-23.

**Note** You cannot use ASCII values larger than 127 characters with fgetl, fgets, or BytesAvailableFnc. The functions are limited to 127 binary characters.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

#### **Datagram-Received Event**

A datagram-received event is generated immediately after a complete datagram is received in the input buffer.

This event executes the callback function specified for the DatagramReceivedFcn property. It can be generated for both synchronous and asynchronous read operations.

# **Responding To Event Information**

You can respond to event information in a callback function or in a record file. Event information stored in a callback function uses two fields: Type and Data. The Type field contains the event type,

while the Data field contains event-specific information. These two fields are associated with a structure that you define in the callback function header. Refer to "Debugging: Recording Information to Disk" on page 16-5 to learn about storing event information in a record file.

The event types and the values for the Type and Data fields are given below.

#### TCP/IP and UDP Event Information

<b>Event Type</b>	Field	Field Value
Bytes available	Туре	BytesAvailable
	Data.AbsTime	day-month-year hour:minute:second
Datagram received	Туре	DatagramReceived
	Data.AbsTime	day-month-year hour:minute:second
	Data.DatagramAddress	IP address character vector
	Data.DatagramLength	Number of bytes received as double
	Data.DatagramPort	Port number of sender as double
Error	Туре	Error
	Data.AbsTime	day-month-year hour:minute:second
	Data.Message	An error string
Output empty	Туре	OutputEmpty
	Data.AbsTime	day-month-year hour:minute:second
Timer	Туре	Timer
	Data.AbsTime	day-month-year hour:minute:second

The Data field values are described below.

#### **AbsTime Field**

AbsTime is defined for all events, and indicates the absolute time the event occurred. The absolute time is returned using the MATLAB Command window clock format.

day-month-year hour:minute:second

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#### **DatagramAddress Field**

 ${\tt DatagramAddress} \ is \ the \ IP \ address \ of \ the \ datagram \ sender.$ 

#### **DatagramLength Field**

DatagramLength is the length of the datagram in bytes.

#### **DatagramPort Field**

DatagramPort is the sender's port number from which the datagram originated.

#### Message Field

Message is used by the error event to store the descriptive message that is generated when an error occurs.

# **Using Events and Callbacks**

This example extends "UDP Communication Between Two Hosts" on page 8-5 to include a datagram received callback. The callback function is <code>instrcallback</code>, which displays information to the command line indicating that a datagram has been received.

The following command configures the callback for the UDP object u2.

u2.DatagramReceivedFcn = @instrcallback;

When a datagram is received, the following message is displayed.

DatagramReceived event occurred at 10:26:20 for the object: UDP-doetom.dhpc.

25 bytes were received from address 192.168.1.12, port 8844.

**Note** You cannot use ASCII values larger than 127 characters with fgetl, fgets, or BytesAvailableFnc. The functions are limited to 127 binary characters.

# Rules for Completing Read and Write Operations over TCP/IP and UDP

The rules for completing synchronous and asynchronous read and write operations are described here.

For a general overview about writing and reading data, as well as a list of all associated functions and properties, refer to "Communicating with Your Instrument" on page 2-8.

## **Completing Write Operations**

A write operation using fprintf or fwrite completes when one of these conditions is satisfied:

- The specified data is written.
- The time specified by the Timeout property passes.

In addition to these rules, you can stop an asynchronous write operation at any time with the stopasync function.

A text command is processed by the instrument only when it receives the required terminator. For TCP/IP and UDP objects, each occurrence of \n in the ASCII command is replaced with the Terminator property value. Because the default format for fprintf is %s\n, all commands written to the instrument will end with the Terminator value. The default value of Terminator is the line feed character. The terminator required by your instrument will be described in its documentation.

## **Completing Read Operations**

A read operation with fgetl, fgets, fscanf, or readasync completes when one of these conditions is satisfied:

- The terminator specified by the Terminator property is read. For UDP objects, DatagramTerminateMode must be off.
- The time specified by the Timeout property passes.
- The input buffer is filled.
- The specified number of values is read (fscanf and readasync only). For UDP objects, DatagramTerminateMode must be off.
- A datagram is received (for UDP objects, only when DatagramTerminateMode is on).

A read operation with fread completes when one of these conditions is satisfied:

- The time specified by the Timeout property passes.
- The input buffer is filled.
- The specified number of values is read. For UDP objects, DatagramTerminateMode must be off.
- A datagram is received (for UDP objects, only when DatagramTerminateMode is on).

**Note** Set the terminator property to '' (null), if appropriate, to ensure efficient throughput of binary data.

In addition to these rules, you can stop an asynchronous read operation at any time with the  ${\tt stopasync}$  function.

## Basic Workflow to Read and Write Data over TCP/IP

This example illustrates how to use text and binary read and write operations with a TCP/IP object connected to a remote instrument. In this example, you create a vector of waveform data in the MATLAB workspace, upload the data to the instrument, and then read back the waveform.

The instrument is a Sony/Tektronix AWG520 Arbitrary Waveform Generator (AWG). Its address is sonytekawg.yourdomain.com and its port is 4000. The AWG's host IP address is 192.168.1.10 and is user configurable in the instrument. The associated host name is given by your network administrator. The port number is fixed and is found in the instrument's documentation:

**1 Create an instrument object** — Create a TCP/IP object associated with the AWG.

```
t = tcpip('sonytekawg.yourdomain.com',4000);
```

**2 Connect to the instrument** — Before establishing a connection, the OutputBufferSize must be large enough to hold the data being written. In this example, 2577 bytes are written to the instrument. Therefore, the OutputBufferSize is set to 3000.

```
t.OutputBufferSize = 3000
```

You can now connect t to the instrument.

```
fopen(t)
```

**3** Write and read data — Since the instrument's byte order is little-endian, configure the ByteOrder property to littleEndian.

```
t.BvteOrder = 'littleEndian'
```

Create the sine wave data.

```
x = (0:499).*8*pi/500;
data = sin(x);
marker = zeros(length(data),1);
marker(1) = 3;
```

Instruct the instrument to write the file sin.wfm with Waveform File format, a total length of 2544 bytes, and a combined data and marker length of 2500 bytes.

```
fprintf(t,'%s',['MMEMORY:DATA "sin.wfm",#42544MAGIC 1000' 13 10])
fprintf(t,'%s','#42500')
```

Write the sine wave to the instrument.

```
for i = 1:length(data)
    fwrite(t,data(i),'float32');
    fwrite(t,marker(i));
end
```

Instruct the instrument to use a clock frequency of 100 MS/s for the waveform.

```
fprintf(t,'%s',['CLOCK 1.0000000000e+008' 13 10 10])
```

Read the waveform stored in the function generator's hard drive. The waveform contains 2000 bytes plus markers, header, and clock information. To store this data, close the connection and configure the input buffer to hold 3000 bytes.

```
fclose(t)
t.InputBufferSize = 3000
```

Reopen the connection to the instrument.

```
fopen(t)
```

Read the file sin.wfm from the function generator.

```
fprintf(t,'MMEMORY:DATA? "sin.wfm" ')
data = fread(t,t.BytesAvailable);
```

The next set of commands reads the same waveform as a float32 array. To begin, write the waveform to the AWG.

```
fprintf(t,'MMEMORY:DATA? "sin.wfm" ')
```

Read the file header as ASCII characters.

```
header1 = fscanf(t)
header1 =
#42544MAGIC 1000
```

Read the next six bytes, which specify the length of data.

```
header2 = fscanf(t,'%s',6)
header2 =
#42500
```

Read the waveform using float32 precision and read the markers using uint8 precision. Note that one float32 value consists of four bytes. Therefore, the following commands read 2500 bytes.

```
data = zeros(500,1);
marker = zeros(500,1);
for i = 1:500
        data(i) = fread(t,1,'float32');
        marker(i) = fread(t,1,'uint8');
end
```

Read the remaining data, which consists of clock information and termination characters.

```
clock = fscanf(t);
cleanup = fread(t,2);
```

**4 Disconnect and clean up** — When you no longer need t, you should disconnect it from the host, and remove it from memory and from the MATLAB workspace.

```
fclose(t)
delete(t)
clear t
```

## Read and Write ASCII Data over TCP/IP

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"ASCII Write Properties" on page 7-21

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"Cleanup" on page 7-22

This section provides details and examples exploring ASCII read and write operations with a TCP/IP object.

**Note** Most bench-top instruments (oscilloscopes, function generators, etc.) that provide network connectivity do not use raw TCP socket communication for instrument command and control. Instead, it is supported through the VISA standard. For more information on using VISA to communicate with your instrument, see "Get Started with VISA" on page 5-2.

## **Functions and Properties**

These functions are used when reading and writing text:

Function	Purpose	
fprintf	Write text to the server.	
fscanf	Read data from the server and format as text.	

These properties are associated with reading and writing text:

Property	Purpose
ValuesReceived	Specifies the total number of values read from the server.
ValuesSent	Specifies the total number of values sent to the server.
InputBufferSize	Specifies the total number of bytes that can be queued in the input buffer at one time.
OutputBufferSize	Specifies the total number of bytes that can be queued in the output buffer at one time.
Terminator	Character used to terminate commands sent to the server.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

## Configuring and Connecting to the Server

For this example, we will use an echo server that is provided with the toolbox. The echo server allows you to experiment with the basic functionality of the TCP/IP objects without connecting to an actual device. An echo server is a service that returns to the sender's address and port, the same bytes it receives from the sender.

```
echotcpip('on', 4000)
```

You need to create a TCP/IP object. In this example, create a TCP/IP object associated with the host 127.0.0.1 (your local machine), port 4000. In general, the host name or address and the host port will be defined by the device and your network configuration.

```
t = tcpip('127.0.0.1', 4000);
```

Before you can perform a read or write operation, you must connect the TCP/IP object to the server with the fopen function.

```
fopen(t)
```

If the object was successfully connected, its Status property is automatically configured to open.

```
t.Status
ans =
open
```

## **Writing ASCII Data**

You use the fprintf function to write ASCII data to the server.

```
fprintf(t, 'Hello World 123');
```

By default, the fprintf function operates in a synchronous mode. This means that fprintf blocks the MATLAB command line until one of the following occurs:

- All the data is written
- A timeout occurs as specified by the Timeout property

By default the fprintf function writes ASCII data using the %s\n format. All occurrences of \n in the command being written to the server are replaced with the Terminator property value. When using the default format, %s\n, all commands written to the server will end with the Terminator character.

For the previous command, the linefeed (LF) is sent after 'Hello World 123' is written to the server, thereby indicating the end of the command.

You can also specify the format of the command written by providing a third input argument to fprintf. The accepted format conversion characters include: d, i, o, u, x, X, f, e, E, g, G, c, and s.

For example, the data command previously shown can be written to the server using three calls to fprintf.

```
fprintf(t, '%s', 'Hello');
fprintf(t, '%s', 'World');
fprintf(t, '%s\n', '123');
```

The Terminator character indicates the end of the command and is sent after the last call to fprintf.

#### **ASCII Write Properties**

The OutputBufferSize property specifies the maximum number of bytes that can be written to the server at once. By default, OutputBufferSize is 512.

```
t.OutputBufferSize
ans =
    512
```

The ValuesSent property indicates the total number of values written to the server since the object was connected to the server.

```
t.ValuesSent
ans =
     32
```

## **Reading ASCII Data**

You use the fscanf function to read ASCII data from the server. For example, to read back the data returned from the echo server for our first fprintf command:

```
data = fscanf(t)
data =
    Hello World 123
```

By default, the fscanf function reads data using the '%c' format and blocks the MATLAB command line until one of the following occurs:

- The terminator is received as specified by the Terminator property
- A timeout occurs as specified by the Timeout property
- · The input buffer is filled
- · The specified number of values is read

You can also specify the format of the data read by providing a second input argument to fscanf. The accepted format conversion characters include: d, i, o, u, x, X, f, e, E, g, G, c, and s.

The following commands return a numeric value as a double.

Clear anything still in the input buffer from the previous commands.

```
flushinput(t);
Send the data to the server.
fprintf(t, '0.8000');
Read the response.
data = fscanf(t, '%f')
data =
    0.8000
```

```
isnumeric(data)
ans =
    1
```

## **ASCII Read Properties**

The InputBufferSize property specifies the maximum number of bytes you can read from the server. By default, InputBufferSize is 512.

```
t.InputBufferSize
ans =
    512
```

The ValuesReceived property indicates the total number of values read from the server, including the terminator.

```
t.ValuesReceived
ans =
     32
```

## Cleanup

If you are finished with the TCP/IP object, disconnect it from the server, remove it from memory, and remove it from the workspace. If you are using the echo server, turn it off.

```
fclose(t);
delete(t);
clear t
echotcpip('off');
```

## Read and Write Binary Data over TCP/IP

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"Cleanup" on page 7-26

This section provides details and examples exploring binary read and write operations with a TCP/IP object.

**Note** Most bench-top instruments (oscilloscopes, function generators, etc.) that provide network connectivity do not use raw TCP socket communication for instrument command and control. Instead, it is supported through the VISA standard. For more information on using VISA to communicate with your instrument, see "Get Started with VISA" on page 5-2.

## **Functions and Properties**

These functions are used when reading and writing binary data:

Function	Purpose	
fread	Read binary data from the server.	
fwrite	Write binary data to the server.	

These properties are associated with reading and writing binary data:

Property	Purpose
ValuesReceived	Specifies the total number of values read from the server.
ValuesSent	Specifies the total number of values sent to the server.
InputBufferSize	Specifies the total number of bytes that can be queued in the input buffer at one time.
OutputBufferSize	Specifies the total number of bytes that can be queued in the output buffer at one time.
ByteOrder	Specifies the byte order of the server.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

## Configuring and Connecting to the Server

For this example, we will use an echo server that is provided with the toolbox. The echo server allows you to experiment with the basic functionality of the TCP/IP objects without connecting to an actual device. An echo server is a service that returns to the sender's address and port, the same bytes it receives from the sender.

```
echotcpip('on', 4000)
```

You need to create a TCP/IP object. In this example, create a TCP/IP object associated with the host 127.0.0.1 (your local machine), port 4000. In general, the host name or address and the host port will be defined by the device and your network configuration.

```
t = tcpip('127.0.0.1', 4000);
```

You may need to configure the OutputBufferSize of the TCP/IP object. The OutputBufferSize property specifies the maximum number of bytes that can be written to the server at once. By default, OutputBufferSize is 512.

```
t.OutputBufferSize
ans =
    512
```

If the command specified in fwrite contains more than 512 bytes, an error is returned and no data is written to the server. In this example 4000 bytes will be written to the server. Therefore, the OutputBufferSize is increased to 4000.

```
t.OutputBufferSize = 4000;
t.OutputBufferSize
ans =
    4000
```

You may need to configure the ByteOrder of the TCP/IP object. The ByteOrder property specifies the byte order of the server. By default ByteOrder is bigEndian.

```
t.ByteOrder
ans =
    'bigEndian'
```

If the server's byte order is little-endian, the ByteOrder property of the object can be configured to littleEndian:

```
t.ByteOrder = 'littleEndian'
t.ByteOrder
ans =
   'littleEndian'
```

Before you can perform a read or write operation, you must connect the TCP/IP object to the server with the fopen function.

```
fopen(t)
```

If the object was successfully connected, its Status property is automatically configured to open.

```
t.Status
ans =
open
```

## **Writing Binary Data**

You use the fwrite function to write binary data to the server. For example, the following command will send a sine wave to the server.

Construct the sine wave to be written to the server.

```
x = (0:999) .* 8 * pi / 1000;
data = sin(x);
```

Write the sine wave to the server.

```
fwrite(t, data, 'float32');
```

By default, the fwrite function operates in a synchronous mode. This means that fwrite blocks the MATLAB command line until one of the following occurs:

- All the data is written
- A timeout occurs as specified by the Timeout property

By default the fwrite function writes binary data using the uchar precision. However, other precisions can also be used. For a list of supported precisions, see the function reference page for fwrite.

**Note** When performing a write operation, you should think of the transmitted data in terms of values rather than bytes. A value consists of one or more bytes. For example, one uint32 value consists of four bytes.

## **Binary Write Properties**

The ValuesSent property indicates the total number of values written to the server since the object was connected to the server.

```
t.ValuesSent
ans =
1000
```

## **Configuring InputBufferSize**

The InputBufferSize property specifies the maximum number of bytes that you can read from the server. By default, InputBufferSize is 512.

```
t.InputBufferSize
ans =
    512
```

Next, the waveform stored in the function generator's memory will be read. The waveform contains 4000 bytes. Configure the InputBufferSize to hold 4000 bytes. Note, the InputBufferSize can be configured only when the object is not connected to the server.

```
fclose(t);
t.InputBufferSize = 4000;
t.InputBufferSize
```

```
ans = 4000
```

Now that the property is configured correctly, you can reopen the connection to the server:

```
fopen(t);
```

## **Reading Binary Data**

You use the fread function to read binary data from the server.

The fread function blocks the MATLAB command line until one of the following occurs:

- A timeout occurs as specified by the Timeout property
- · The specified number of values is read
- The InputBufferSize number of values is read

By default the fread function reads binary data using the uchar precision. However, other precisions can also be used. For a list of supported precisions, see the function reference page for fread.

**Note** When performing a read operation, you should think of the received data in terms of values rather than bytes. A value consists of one or more bytes. For example, one uint32 value consists of four bytes.

For reading float32 binary data, send the waveform again. Closing the object clears any available data from earlier writes.

```
fwrite(t, data, 'float32');
Now read the same waveform as a float32 array.
data = fread(t, 1000, 'float32');
```

The ValuesReceived property indicates the total number of values read from the server.

```
t.ValuesReceived
ans =
    1000
```

## Cleanup

If you are finished with the TCP/IP object, disconnect it from the server, remove it from memory, and remove it from the workspace. If you are using the echo server, turn it off.

```
fclose(t);
delete(t);
clear t
echotcpip('off');
```

## Asynchronous Read and Write Operations over TCP/IP

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This section provides details and examples exploring asynchronous read and write operations with a TCP/IP object.

**Note** Most bench-top instruments (oscilloscopes, function generators, etc.) that provide network connectivity do not use raw TCP socket communication for instrument command and control. Instead, it is supported through the VISA standard. For more information on using VISA to communicate with your instrument, see "Get Started with VISA" on page 5-2.

## **Functions and Properties**

These functions are associated with reading and writing text asynchronously:

Function	Purpose	
fprintf	Write text to a server.	
readasync	Asynchronously read bytes from a server.	
stopasync	Stop an asynchronous read or write operation.	

These properties are associated with reading and writing text asynchronously:

Property	Purpose
BytesAvailable	Indicates the number of bytes available in the input buffer.
TransferStatus	Indicates what type of asynchronous operation is in progress.
ReadAsyncMode	Indicates whether data is read continuously in the background or whether you must call the readasync function to read data asynchronously.

Additionally, you can use all the callback properties during asynchronous read and write operations.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For

information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

## **Synchronous Versus Asynchronous Operations**

The object can operate in synchronous mode or in asynchronous mode. When the object is operating synchronously, the read and write routines block the MATLAB command line until the operation has completed or a timeout occurs. When the object is operating asynchronously, the read and write routines return control immediately to the MATLAB command line.

Additionally, you can use callback properties and callback functions to perform tasks as data is being written or read. For example, you can create a callback function that notifies you when the read or write operation has finished.

## **Configuring and Connecting to the Server**

For this example, we will use an echo server that is provided with the toolbox. The echo server allows you to experiment with the basic functionality of the TCP/IP objects without connecting to an actual device. An echo server is a service that returns to the sender's address and port, the same bytes it receives from the sender.

```
echotcpip('on', 4000)
```

You need to create a TCP/IP object. In this example, create a TCP/IP object associated with the host 127.0.0.1 (your local machine), port 4000. In general, the host name or address and the host port will be defined by the device and your network configuration.

```
t = tcpip('127.0.0.1', 4000);
```

Before you can perform a read or write operation, you must connect the TCP/IP object to the server with the fopen function.

```
fopen(t)
```

If the object was successfully connected, its Status property is automatically configured to open.

```
t.Status
ans =
open
```

## **Reading Data Asynchronously**

You can read data asynchronously with the TCP/IP object in one of these two ways:

- Continuously, by setting ReadAsyncMode to continuous. In this mode, data is automatically stored in the input buffer as it becomes available from the server.
- Manually, by setting ReadAsyncMode to manual. In this mode, you must call the readasync function to store data in the input buffer.

The fscanf, fread, fgetl and fgets functions are used to bring the data from the input buffer into MATLAB. These functions operate synchronously.

## Reading Data Asynchronously - Continuous ReadAsyncMode

To begin, read data continuously.

```
t.ReadAsyncMode = continuous;
```

Now, send data to the server that will be returned for reading.

```
fprintf(t, 'Hello World 123');
```

Because the ReadAsyncMode property is set to continuous, the object is continuously checking whether any data is available. Once the last fprintf function completes, the server begins sending data, the data is read from the server and is stored in the input buffer.

```
t.BytesAvailable
ans =
    16
```

You can bring the data from the object's input buffer into the MATLAB workspace with fscanf.

```
fscanf(t)
ans =
    Hello World 123
```

## Reading Data Asynchronously - Manual ReadAsyncMode

Next, read data manually.

```
t.ReadAsyncMode = manual;
```

Now, send data to the server that will be returned for reading.

```
fprintf(t, 'Hello World 456');
```

Once the last fprintf function completes, the server begins sending data. However, because ReadAsyncMode is set to manual, the object is not reading the data being sent from the server. Therefore no data is being read and placed in the input buffer.

```
t.BytesAvailable
ans =
0
```

The readasync function can asynchronously read the data from the server. The readasync function returns control to the MATLAB command line immediately.

The readasync function takes two input arguments. The first argument is the server object and the second argument is the size, the amount of data to be read from the server.

The readasync function without a size specified assumes size is given by the difference between the InputBufferSize property value and the BytesAvailable property value. The asynchronous read terminates when:

- The terminator is read as specified by the Terminator property
- The specified number of bytes have been read
- A timeout occurs as specified by the Timeout property

• The input buffer is filled

An error event will be generated if readasync terminates due to a timeout.

The object starts querying the server for data when the readasync function is called. Because all the data was sent before the readasync function call, no data will be stored in the input buffer and the data is lost.

When the TCP/IP object is in manual mode (the ReadAsyncMode property is configured to manual), data that is sent from the server to the computer is not automatically stored in the input buffer of the TCP/IP object. Data is not stored until readasync or one of the blocking read functions is called.

Manual mode should be used when a stream of data is being sent from your server and you only want to capture portions of the data.

## **Defining an Asynchronous Read Callback**

You can configure a TCP/IP object to notify you when a terminator has been read using the dispcallback function.

```
t.ReadAsyncMode = 'continuous';
t.BytesAvailableFcn = 'dispcallback';
```

Note, the default value for the BytesAvailableFcnMode property indicates that the callback function defined by the BytesAvailableFcn property will be executed when the terminator has been read.

The callback function dispcallback displays event information for the specified event. Using the syntax dispcallback(obj, event), it displays a message containing the type of event, the name of the object that caused the event to occur, and the time the event occurred.

## **Using Callbacks During an Asynchronous Read**

Once the terminator is read from the server and placed in the input buffer, dispcallback is executed and a message is posted to the MATLAB command window indicating that a BytesAvailable event occurred.

```
fprintf(t, 'Hello World 789')
t.BytesAvailable
ans =
    16

data = fscanf(t, '%c', 18)
data =
    Hello World 789
```

**Note** If you need to stop an asynchronous read or write operation, you do not have to wait for the operation to complete. You can use the stopasync function to stop the asynchronous read or write.

## **Writing Data Asynchronously**

You can perform an asynchronous write with the fprintf or fwrite functions by passing 'async' as the last input argument.

In asynchronous mode, you can use callback properties and callback functions to perform tasks while data is being written. For example, configure the object to notify you when an asynchronous write operation completes.

```
t.OutputEmptyFcn = 'dispcallback';
fprintf(t, 'Hello World 123', 'async')
```

**Note** If you need to stop an asynchronous read or write operation, you do not have to wait for the operation to complete. You can use the stopasync function to stop the asynchronous read or write.

## Cleanup

If you are finished with the TCP/IP object, disconnect it from the server, remove it from memory, and remove it from the workspace. If you are using the echo server, turn it off.

```
fclose(t);
delete(t);
clear t
echotcpip('off');
```

## TCP/IP and UDP Comparison

Transmission Control Protocol (TCP or TCP/IP) and User Datagram Protocol (UDP or UDP/IP) are both transport protocols layered on top of the Internet Protocol (IP). Use the TCP/IP and UDP interfaces for reading and writing both binary data and ASCII data. You can read and write to servers, computers, instruments, and use applications such as streaming video and audio, point of sale systems, and other business applications.

## **Supported Platforms**

The TCP/IP and UDP interfaces are supported on the following platforms.

- Linux
- macOS
- · Windows 10

## **Interface Comparison**

TCP/IP and UDP are compared below:

- Connection Versus Connectionless TCP/IP is a connection-based protocol, while UDP is a connectionless protocol. In TCP/IP, the two ends of the communication link must be connected at all times during the communication. An application using UDP prepares a packet and sends it to the receiver's address without first checking to see if the receiver is ready to receive a packet. If the receiving end is not ready to receive a packet, the packet is lost.
- Stream Versus Packet TCP/IP is a stream-oriented protocol, while UDP is a packet-oriented protocol. This means that TCP/IP is considered to be a long stream of data that is transmitted from one end of the connection to the other end, and another long stream of data flowing in the opposite direction. The TCP/IP stack is responsible for breaking the stream of data into packets and sending those packets while the stack at the other end is responsible for reassembling the packets into a data stream using information in the packet headers. UDP, on the other hand, is a packet-oriented protocol where the application itself divides the data into packets and sends them to the other end. The other end does not have to reassemble the data into a stream. Note, some applications might present the data as a stream when the underlying protocol is UDP. However, this is the layering of an additional protocol on top of UDP, and it is not something inherent in the UDP protocol itself.
- TCP/IP Is a Reliable Protocol, While UDP Is Unreliable The packets that are sent by TCP/IP contain a unique sequence number. The starting sequence number is communicated to the other side at the beginning of communication. The receiver acknowledges each packet, and the acknowledgment contains the sequence number so that the sender knows which packet was acknowledged. This implies that any packets lost on the way can be retransmitted (the sender would know that they did not reach their destination because it had not received an acknowledgment). Also, packets that arrive out of sequence can be reassembled in the proper order by the receiver.

Further, timeouts can be established because the sender knows (from the first few packets) how long it takes on average for a packet to be sent and its acknowledgment received. UDP, on the other hand, sends the packets and does not keep track of them. Thus, if packets arrive out of sequence, or are lost in transmission, the receiving end (or the sending end) has no way of knowing.

Note that "unreliable" is used in the sense of "not guaranteed to succeed" as opposed to "will fail a lot of the time." In practice, UDP is quite reliable as long as the receiving socket is active and is processing data as quickly as it arrives.

## See Also

## **Related Examples**

- "Create TCP/IP Client and Configure Settings" on page 7-3
- "Create a UDP Object and View Properties" on page 8-2

## **Communicate Using TCP/IP Server Sockets**

#### In this section...

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"Communicate Between Two Instances of MATLAB" on page 7-34

#### **About Server Sockets**

Support for server sockets is available using the tcpserver function. This support is for a single remote connection. You can use this connection to communicate between a client and MATLAB or between two instances of MATLAB.

For example, you might collect data such as a waveform into one instance of MATLAB and then transfer it to another instance of MATLAB.

**Note** The use of the server socket on either the client or server side should be done in accordance with the license agreement as it relates to your particular license option and activation type. If you have questions, you should consult with the administrator for your license or your legal department.

This is intended for use behind a firewall on a private network.

#### Communicate Between Two Instances of MATLAB

The following example shows how to connect two MATLAB sessions on the same computer, showing the example code for each session. To use two different computers, replace "localhost" with the IP address of the server in the code for Session 2. Using 0.0.0.0 as the IP address means that the server will accept the first machine that tries to connect. To restrict the connections that will be accepted, replace "0.0.0.0" with the address of the client in the code for Session 1.

#### **Session 1: MATLAB Server**

Accept a connection from any machine on port 30000.

```
server = tcpserver("0.0.0.0",30000)

server =

TCPServer with properties:

    ServerAddress: "0.0.0.0"
        ServerPort: 30000
        Connected: 0
    ClientAddress: ""
        ClientPort: []
    NumBytesAvailable: 0

Show all properties, functions
```

#### **Session 2: MATLAB Client**

This code is running on a second instance of MATLAB.

Create a client interface that connects to the server.

Write the waveform to the client. Since the client is connected to the server, this data is available in the server session.

```
write(client,data,"double")
```

#### **Session 1: MATLAB Server**

Read the waveform and confirm it visually by plotting it.

```
data = read(server,server.NumBytesAvailable,"double");
plot(data);
```

#### See Also

plot(data);

tcpclient | tcpserver

#### **Related Examples**

- "Communicate Between a TCP/IP Client and Server in MATLAB" on page 21-120
- "Read Data from Arduino Using TCP/IP Communication" on page 21-125

## **Transition Your Code to tcpclient Interface**

The tcpip function, its object functions, and its properties will be removed. Use the tcpclient interface instead.

tcpip Interface	tcpclient Interface	Example
tcpip, NetworkRole, and fopen	tcpclient	"Create a TCP/IP Client" on page 7-37
fwrite	write	"Write and Read" on page 7-37
fread	read	
fprintf	writeline	"Read Terminated String" on page 7-38
fscanf	readline	"Read Terminated String" on page 7-38
fgetl		"Read and Parse String Data"
fgets		on page 7-39
query	writeread	"Write and Read Back Data" on page 7-40
binblockwrite	writebinblock	"Write and Read Data with the
binblockread	readbinblock	Binary Block Protocol" on page 7-40
flushinput and flushoutput	flush	"Flush Data from Memory" on page 7-41
Terminator	configureTerminator	"Set Terminator" on page 7-41
BytesAvailableFcnCount, BytesAvailableFcnMode, and BytesAvailableFcn	configureCallback	"Set Up Callback Function" on page 7-41
BytesAvailable	NumBytesAvailable	
RemoteHost	Address	
RemotePort	Port	
TransferDelay	EnableTransferDelay	
ErrorFcn	ErrorOccurredFcn	

## **Removed Functionality**

The LocalHost, LocalPort, and LocalPortMode properties will be removed.

The ValuesReceived and ValuesSent properties will be removed. You can calculate the number of values sent using the NumBytesAvailable property and the data type of the data available. For example, if the NumBytesAvailable is 20 bytes of uint32 data, the number of values sent is five since each uint32 value is four bytes.

The readasync and stopasync functions and the ReadAsyncMode and TransferStatus properties will be removed. The updated interface reads data asynchronously.

The BytesToOutput, InputBufferSize, and OutputBufferSize properties will be removed. Buffer sizes are automatically managed and sized as needed.

The OutputEmptyFcn property will be removed. You can set callback functions using configureCallback in the updated interface, but not for this property.

The RecordDetail, RecordMode, RecordName, and RecordStatus properties will be removed.

The TimerFcn and TimerPeriod properties will be removed. Use timer instead.

The Name, Type, ObjectVisibility, Status, and Tag properties will be removed.

#### Create a TCP/IP Client

These examples show how to create and clear a TCP/IP client using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>t = tcpip("localhost",3030); fopen(t)</pre>	<pre>t = tcpclient("localhost",3030); t.ByteOrder = "big-endian";</pre>
<pre>t = tcpip("127.0.0.1",3030,"NetworkRole","c fopen(t)</pre>	tientcpclient("127.0.0.1",3030); t.ByteOrder = "big-endian";
<pre>fclose(t) delete(t) clear t</pre>	clear t

**Note** Since the default value of ByteOrder is bigEndian for tcpip objects and little-endian for tcpclient objects, you must set it using dot notation to make the property values match.

The fopen function is not available in the updated interface. The object creation function tcpclient both creates and connects the object.

The fclose function is not available in the updated interface. The clear function disconnects the object when it removes the object from the workspace.

For more information, see tcpclient.

#### **Write and Read**

These examples use an echo server to show how to perform a binary write and read, and how to write and read nonterminated string data, using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
echotcpip("on",3030)	echotcpip("on",3030)
% t is a tcpip object fwrite(t,1:5); data = fread(t,5)	% t is a tcpclient object write(t,1:5,"uint8") data = read(t,5)
data =	data =
1 2	1×5 uint8 row vector
3 4	1 2 3 4 5
5	data = double(data)
	data =
	1 2 3 4 5
echotcpip("on",3030)	echotcpip("on",3030)
% t is a tcpip object fwrite(t, "hello", "char") length = 5; data = fread(t,length, "char")	% t is a tcpclient object write(t,"hello","string"); length = 5; data = read(t,length,"string")
data =	data =
104 101 108 108 111	"hello"
data = char(data)'	
data =	
'hello'	

For more information, see  $\mbox{write}$  or  $\mbox{read}$  .

## **Read Terminated String**

These examples show how to write and read terminated string data using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
echotcpip("on",3030)	echotcpip("on",3030)
<pre>% t is a tcpip object t.Terminator = "CR"; fprintf(t,"hello") data = fscanf(t)</pre>	% t is a tcpclient object configureTerminator(t,"CR"); writeline(t,"hello"); data = readline(t)
data =	a =
'hello	"hello"
echotcpip("on",3030)	
% t is a tcpip object t.Terminator = "CR"; fprintf(t,"hello") data = fgetl(t)	
data =	
'hello'	
fgetl reads until the specified terminator is reached and then discards the terminator.	
echotcpip("on",3030)	
% t is a tcpip object t.Terminator = "CR"; fprintf(t,"hello") data = fgets(t)	
data =	
'hello	
fgets reads until the specified terminator is reached and then returns the terminator.	

For more information, see writeline or readline.

## **Read and Parse String Data**

This example shows how to read and parse string data using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% t is a tcpip object data = scanstr(t,';')	% t is a tcpclient object data = readline(t)
data =	data =
3×1 cell array	"a;b;c"
{'a'} {'b'}	<pre>data = strsplit(data,";")</pre>
{'c'}	data =
	1×3 string array
	"a" "b" "c"

For more information, see readline.

#### **Write and Read Back Data**

This example shows how to write ASCII terminated data and read ASCII terminated data back using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
	% t is a tcpclient object data = writeread(t,"ctrlcmd")
data =	data =
'success'	"success"

For more information, see writeread.

## Write and Read Data with the Binary Block Protocol

This example shows how to write data with the IEEE standard binary block protocol using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>% t is a tcpip object binblockwrite(t,1:5); data = binblockread(t)</pre>	% t is a tcpclient object writebinblock(t,1:5,"uint8"); data = readbinblock(t)
data =	data =
1 2 3 4 5	1 2 3 4 5

For more information, see writebinblock or readbinblock.

## Flush Data from Memory

These examples show how to flush data from the buffer using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% t is a tcpip object flushinput(t)	% t is a tcpclient object flush(t,"input")
% t is a tcpip object flushoutput(t)	% t is a tcpclient object flush(t,"output")
% t is a tcpip object flushinput(t) flushoutput(t)	% t is a tcpclient object flush(t)

For more information, see flush.

#### **Set Terminator**

These examples show how to set the terminator using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
	% t is a tcpclient object configureTerminator(t,"CR/LF")
	% t is a tcpclient object configureTerminator(t,"CR/LF",10)

For more information, see configureTerminator.

## **Set Up Callback Function**

These examples show how to set up a callback function using the recommended functionality.

```
Functionality
                                            Use This Instead
% t is a tcpip object
                                            % t is a topclient object
t.BytesAvailableFcnCount = 5
                                            configureCallback(t, "byte", 5, @mycallback);
t.BytesAvailableFcnMode = "byte"
t.BytesAvailableFcn = @mycallback
                                            function mycallback(src,evt)
                                               data = read(src,src.BytesAvailableFcnCount);
function mycallback(src,evt)
                                               disp(evt)
   data = fread(src,src.BytesAvailableFcnCdent);
   disp(evt)
   disp(evt.Data)
                                              ByteAvailableInfo with properties:
end
                                                BytesAvailableFcnCount: 5
                                                               AbsTime: 21-Dec-2019 12:23:01
    Type: 'BytesAvailable'
    Data: [1×1 struct]
    AbsTime: [2019 12 21 16 35 9.7032]
```

Functionality	Use This Instead
% t is a tcpip object t.Terminator = "CR"	% t is a tcpclient object configureTerminator(t, "CR")
<pre>t.BytesAvailableFcnMode = "terminator" t.BytesAvailableFcn = @mycallback</pre>	<pre>configureCallback(t,"terminator",@mycallback);</pre>
<pre>function mycallback(src,evt)   data = fscanf(src);   disp(evt)</pre>	<pre>function mycallback(src,evt)   data = readline(src);   disp(evt) end</pre>
<pre>disp(evt.Data) end</pre>	TerminatorAvailableInfo with properties:
	TerminatorAvaitableinio with properties.
Type: 'BytesAvailable' Data: [1×1 struct]	AbsTime: 21-Dec-2019 12:23:0
AbsTime: [2019 12 21 16 35 9.7032]	

For more information, see  ${\tt configureCallback}$ .

## **See Also**

tcpclient

## **More About**

• R2020a TCP/IP and UDP Interface Topics

## **Transition Your Code to tcpserver Interface**

The tcpip function, its object functions, and its properties will be removed. Use the tcpserver interface instead.

tcpip Interface	tcpserver Interface	Example
tcpip, NetworkRole, and fopen	tcpserver	"Create a TCP/IP Server" on page 7-44
fwrite	write	"Write and Read" on page 7-44
fread	read	
fprintf	writeline	"Read Terminated String" on page 7-45
fscanf	readline	"Read Terminated String" on page 7-45
fgetl		"Read and Parse String Data"
fgets		on page 7-46
binblockwrite	writebinblock	"Write and Read Data with the
binblockread	readbinblock	Binary Block Protocol" on page 7-46
flushinput and flushoutput	flush	"Flush Data from Memory" on page 7-47
Terminator	configureTerminator	"Set Terminator" on page 7-47
BytesAvailableFcnCount, BytesAvailableFcnMode, and BytesAvailableFcn	configureCallback	"Set Up Callback Function" on page 7-47
BytesAvailable	NumBytesAvailable	
LocalHost	ServerAddress	
RemoteHost	ClientAddress	
LocalPort and LocalPortMode	ServerPort	
RemotePort		
ErrorFcn	ErrorOccurredFcn	

## **Removed Functionality**

The ValuesReceived and ValuesSent properties will be removed. You can calculate the number of values sent using the NumBytesAvailable property and the data type of the data available. For example, if the NumBytesAvailable is 20 bytes of uint32 data, the number of values sent is five since each uint32 value is four bytes.

The readasync and stopasync functions and the ReadAsyncMode, TransferDelay, and TransferStatus properties will be removed. The updated interface reads data asynchronously.

The BytesToOutput, InputBufferSize, and OutputBufferSize properties will be removed. Buffer sizes are automatically managed and sized as needed.

The OutputEmptyFcn property will be removed. You can set callback functions using configureCallback in the updated interface, but not for this property.

The RecordDetail, RecordMode, RecordName, and RecordStatus properties will be removed.

The TimerFcn and TimerPeriod properties will be removed. Use timer instead.

The Name, Type, ObjectVisibility, Status, and Tag properties will be removed.

#### **Create a TCP/IP Server**

These examples show how to create and clear a TCP/IP server using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>t = tcpip("192.168.2.15",3030,"NetworkRole' fopen(t)</pre>	t"setcpserver("0.0.0.0",3030); This binds to "0.0.0.0" and port 3030.
This binds to host "0.0.0.0" (internally) and port 3030 and only accepts client connections coming from "192.168.2.15". MATLAB is blocked until a client connection is established.	"0.0.0.0" means that it accepts any incoming client connection requests on port 3030. MATLAB is not blocked.
<pre>fclose(t) delete(t) clear t</pre>	clear t

The fopen function is not available in the updated interface. The object creation function tcpserver both creates and connects the object.

The fclose function is not available in the updated interface. The clear function disconnects the object when it removes the object from the workspace.

For more information, see tcpserver.

#### **Write and Read**

These examples show how to perform a binary write and read, and how to write and read nonterminated string data, using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% t is a tcpip object fwrite(t,1:5); data = fread(t,5)	% t is a tcpserver object write(t,1:5,"uint8") data = read(t,5)
data =	data =
1 2 3 4 5	1 2 3 4 5

```
Use This Instead
Functionality
% t is a tcpip object
                                             % t is a tcpserver object
fwrite(t, "hello", "char")
                                             write(t, "hello", "string");
length = 5;
                                             length = 5;
data = fread(t,length,"char")
                                             data = read(t,length, "string")
data =
                                             data =
   104
                                                 "hello"
  101
  108
  108
  111
data = char(data)'
data =
    'hello'
```

For more information, see write or read.

## **Read Terminated String**

These examples show how to write and read terminated string data using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>% t is a tcpip object t.Terminator = "CR"; fprintf(t, "hello") data = fscanf(t)</pre>	% t is a tcpserver object configureTerminator(t,"CR"); writeline(t,"hello"); data = readline(t)
data =	data =
'hello	"hello"
% t is a tcpip object t.Terminator = "CR"; fprintf(t, "hello") data = fgetl(t)	
data =	
'hello'	
fgetl reads until the specified terminator is reached and then discards the terminator.	

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>% t is a tcpip object t.Terminator = "CR"; fprintf(t,"hello") data = fgets(t)</pre>	
data = 'hello	
fgets reads until the specified terminator is reached and then returns the terminator.	

For more information, see writeline or readline.

## **Read and Parse String Data**

This example shows how to read and parse string data using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% t is a tcpip object data = scanstr(t,';')	% t is a tcpserver object data = readline(t)
data =	data =
3×1 cell array	"a;b;c"
{'a'} {'b'}	<pre>data = strsplit(data,";")</pre>
{'c'}	data =
	1×3 string array
	"a" "b" "c"

For more information, see readline.

## Write and Read Data with the Binary Block Protocol

This example shows how to write data with the IEEE standard binary block protocol using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>% t is a tcpip object binblockwrite(t,1:5); data = binblockread(t)</pre>	<pre>% t is a tcpserver object writebinblock(t,1:5,"uint8"); data = readbinblock(t)</pre>
data =	data =
1 2 3 4 5	1 2 3 4 5

For more information, see writebinblock or readbinblock.

## **Flush Data from Memory**

These examples show how to flush data from the buffer using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% t is a tcpip object flushinput(t)	% t is a tcpserver object flush(t,"input")
% t is a tcpip object flushoutput(t)	% t is a tcpserver object flush(t,"output")
% t is a tcpip object flushinput(t) flushoutput(t)	% t is a tcpserver object flush(t)

For more information, see flush.

#### **Set Terminator**

These examples show how to set the terminator using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
	% t is a tcpserver object configureTerminator(t,"CR/LF")
	% t is a tcpserver object configureTerminator(t,"CR/LF",10)

For more information, see configureTerminator.

## **Set Up Callback Function**

These examples show how to set up a callback function using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% t is a tcpip object t.BytesAvailableFcnCount = 5 t.BytesAvailableFcnMode = "byte"	% t is a tcpserver object configureCallback(t,"byte",5,@mycallback);
t.BytesAvailableFcn = @mycallback	<pre>function mycallback(src,evt)   data = read(src,src.BytesAvailableFcnCount)</pre>
<pre>function mycallback(src,evt)   data = fread(src,src.BytesAvailableFcnC   dian(syt)</pre>	disp(evt) (dent);
<pre>disp(evt)   disp(evt.Data) end</pre>	ByteAvailableInfo with properties:
Cita	BytesAvailableFcnCount: 5
Type: 'BytesAvailable' Data: [1×1 struct]	AbsTime: 21-Dec-2019 12:23
AbsTime: [2019 12 21 16 35 9.7032]	
<pre>% t is a tcpip object t.Terminator = "CR" t.BytesAvailableFcnMode = "terminator" t.BytesAvailableFcn = @mycallback</pre>	% t is a tcpserver object configureTerminator(t,"CR") configureCallback(t,"terminator",@mycallback)
<pre>function mycallback(src,evt)   data = fscanf(src);   disp(evt)   disp(evt.Data)</pre>	<pre>function mycallback(src,evt)   data = readline(src);   disp(evt) end</pre>
end	TerminatorAvailableInfo with properties:
Type: 'BytesAvailable' Data: [1×1 struct]	AbsTime: 21-Dec-2019 12:23
AbsTime: [2019 12 21 16 35 9.7032]	

For more information, see configureCallback.

## See Also

tcpserver

## **More About**

• R2020a TCP/IP and UDP Interface Topics

## **Controlling Instruments Using UDP**

- "Create a UDP Object and View Properties" on page 8-2
- "UDP Communication Between Two Hosts" on page 8-5
- "Write and Read ASCII Data Over UDP" on page 8-7
- "Write and Read Binary Data Over UDP" on page 8-9
- "Use Callbacks for UDP Communication" on page 8-13
- "Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18
- "Basic Workflow to Read and Write Data over UDP" on page 8-26
- "Asynchronous Read and Write Operations over UDP" on page 8-28

## **Create a UDP Object and View Properties**

# In this section... "Create a Byte-Type UDP Object and View Properties" on page 8-2 "Create a Datagram-Type UDP Object and View Properties" on page 8-3 "Enable Port Sharing over UDP" on page 8-4

Create a UDP object with the udpport function. udpport does not require the name of the remote host as an input argument. Although UDP is a stateless connection, opening a UDP object with an invalid port number generates an error.

You can configure property values during object creation, such as the LocalPort property if you will use the object to read data from the instrument.

## **Create a Byte-Type UDP Object and View Properties**

Create a UDP object associated with local port 3533. This creates a byte-type udpport object.

After you create a udpport object, you can view a full list of properties and their values. Click properties in the udpport output.

```
IPAddressVersion: "IPV4"
LocalHost: "0.0.0.0"
LocalPort: 3533
NumBytesAvailable: 0

ByteOrder: "little-endian"
Timeout: 10
Terminator: "LF"

EnablePortSharing: 0
EnableBroadcast: 0
EnableMulticast: 0
EnableMulticastCoopback: 1
MulticastGroup: ""

BytesAvailableFcnMode: "off"
BytesAvailableFcnCount: 64
BytesAvailableFcn: []
```

```
OutputDatagramSize: 512
NumBytesWritten: 0
ErrorOccurredFcn: []
UserData: []
```

For more information about how to configure these properties, see "Properties" on page 23-407.

# Create a Datagram-Type UDP Object and View Properties

You can also create a datagram-type udpport object by specifying the object type during object creation.

Clicking the properties link for this object displays a different set of properties than the byte-type object.

```
Show all properties, functions
            IPAddressVersion: "IPV4"
                   LocalHost: "0.0.0.0"
                   LocalPort: 64655
       NumDatagramsAvailable: 0
                   ByteOrder: "little-endian"
                     Timeout: 10
           EnablePortSharing: 0
             EnableBroadcast: 0
             EnableMulticast: 0
     EnableMulticastLoopback: 1
              MulticastGroup: ""
   DatagramsAvailableFcnMode: "off"
  DatagramsAvailableFcnCount: 1
       DatagramsAvailableFcn: []
          OutputDatagramSize: 512
         NumDatagramsWritten: 0
            ErrorOccurredFcn: []
                    UserData: []
```

# **Enable Port Sharing over UDP**

UDP ports can be shared by other applications to allow for multiple applications to listen to the UDP datagrams on that port. You can bind a UDP object to a specific LocalPort number, and in another application bind a UDP socket to that same local port number so both can receive UDP broadcast or multicast data.

This allows for the ability to listen to UDP broadcasts or multicasts on the same local port number in both MATLAB and other applications. You can enable and disable this capability with udpport object property EnablePortSharing.

The EnablePortSharing property allows you to control UDP port sharing, and the possible values are true and false. The default value is false. This property can be set only during object creation using a name-value pair argument.

```
u = udpport("LocalPort",3030,"EnablePortSharing",true);
```

You can now do read and write operations, and other applications can access the port since port sharing is enabled.

#### See Also

udpport

#### **More About**

- "UDP Communication Between Two Hosts" on page 8-5
- "Write and Read ASCII Data Over UDP" on page 8-7
- "Write and Read Binary Data Over UDP" on page 8-9

# **UDP Communication Between Two Hosts**

These are the minimum steps required to communicate between two hosts over UDP.

This example illustrates how you can use UDP objects to communicate between two dedicated hosts. In this example, you know the names of both hosts and the ports they use for communication with each other. One host has the name doejohn.dhpc, using local port 8844, and the other host is doetom.dhpc, using local port 8866.

1 Create interface objects — Create a UDP object on each host, referencing the other as the remote host.

On host doejohn.dhpc, create u1. The object constructor specifies the name of the local port to use on the machine where this object is created.

On host doetom.dhpc, create u2. The object constructor specifies the name of the local port and local host to use on the machine where this object is created.

Write and read data — Communication between the two hosts is now a matter of sending and receiving data. Write a message from doejohn.dhpc to doetom.dhpc.

```
On host doe john. dhpc, write data to the remote host via u1:
```

```
write(u1, "Ready for data transfer.", "string", "doetom.dhpc",8866)
On host doetom.dhpc, read data coming in from the remote host via u2:
read(u2,u2.NumBytesAvailable, "string")
ans =
```

```
"Ready for data transfer."
```

**3** Disconnect and clean up — When you no longer need u1 on host doejohn.dhpc, you should clear the object.

```
clear ul
```

When you no longer need u2, clear the object on the host doetom.dhpc.

```
clear u2
```

## See Also

read|write

## **More About**

- "Write and Read ASCII Data Over UDP" on page 8-7
- "Write and Read Binary Data Over UDP" on page 8-9

## Write and Read ASCII Data Over UDP

In this example, write and read ASCII data with a UDP object.

## **Configure and Connect to the Server**

Use an echo server to experiment with the basic functionality of the UDP objects without connecting to an actual device. An echo server is a service that returns to the sender's address and port, the same bytes it receives from the sender.

```
echoudp("on",4040)
```

Create a byte-type udpport object. Datagram-type udpport objects do not support communication with ASCII-terminated data.

#### Write ASCII Data

Use the writeline function to write ASCII data to the server. Write a string to the echo server.

```
writeline(u, "Request Time", "localhost", 4040)
```

The function suspends MATLAB execution until all the data is written or a timeout occurs as specified by the Timeout property of the udpport object.

Check the default ASCII terminator.

```
u.Terminator
```

```
ans =
"LF"
```

The writeline function automatically appends the linefeed (LF) terminator to "Request Time" before it is written to the server, indicating the end of the command.

#### Read ASCII Data

Confirm the success of the write operation by viewing the NumBytesAvailable property.

```
u.NumBytesAvailable
```

```
ans = 13
```

Since the udpport object is connected to an echo server, the data you write is returned to the object. Read a string of ASCII data. The readline function reads data until it reaches a terminator, removes the terminator, and returns the data.

```
data = readline(u)
data =
    "Request Time"
```

## Clean Up

When you are finished with the UDP object, clear it and turn off the echo server.

```
clear u
echoudp("off")
```

#### See Also

udpport | echoudp | readline | writeline

#### **More About**

• "Write and Read Binary Data Over UDP" on page 8-9

# Write and Read Binary Data Over UDP

In this example, write and read binary data with a UDP object.

## Write and Read Binary Data with Byte-Type UDP Port

#### **Configure and Connect to the Server**

Use an echo server to experiment with the basic functionality of the UDP objects without connecting to an actual device. An echo server is a service that returns to the sender's address and port, the same bytes it receives from the sender.

#### **Write Binary Data**

Use the write function to write the values 1:10 to the server.

```
write(u,1:10,"localhost",4040)
```

The function suspends MATLAB execution until all the data is written or a timeout occurs as specified by the Timeout property of the udpport object.

By default, the write function writes binary data as uint8 data. For more information about specifying other data types, see write.

#### **Read Binary Data**

Confirm the success of the write operation by viewing the NumBytesAvailable property.

u.NumBytesAvailable

```
ans =
```

Since each uint8 data is one byte and ten values were written, a total of ten bytes are available to be read from the object.

Since the udpport object is connected to an echo server, the data you write is returned to the object. Read the first five values of data as uint8 data.

After you read data, MATLAB removes it from the buffer. You can use the same command to read the next five bytes of data as uint8 from the buffer.

```
data2 = read(u,5,"uint8")
data2 =
6     7     8     9     10
```

#### Clean Up

When you are finished with the UDP object, clear it and turn off the echo server.

```
clear u
echoudp("off")
```

## Write and Read Binary Data with Datagram-Type UDP Port

#### **Configure and Connect to the Server**

Use an echo server to experiment with the basic functionality of the UDP objects without connecting to an actual device. An echo server is a service that returns to the sender's address and port, the same bytes it receives from the sender.

```
echoudp("on",4040)
```

Create a datagram-type udpport object.

Set the maximum number of bytes of data to be written in a datagram packet. This determines the number of datagrams that will be written to the server.

```
u.OutputDatagramSize = 10;
```

#### **Write Binary Data**

Use the write function to write the values 1:15 to the server.

```
write(u,1:15,"localhost",4040)
```

The function suspends MATLAB execution until all the data is written or a timeout occurs as specified by the Timeout property of the udpport object.

By default, the write function writes binary data as uint8 data. For more information about specifying other data types, see write.

#### **Read Binary Data**

Confirm the success of the write operation by viewing the NumDatagramsAvailable property.

u.NumDatagramsAvailable

```
ans =
```

data2 =

Since you specified each datagram as ten bytes and 15 bytes were written, a total of two datagrams are available to be read from the object.

Since the udpport object is connected to an echo server, the data you write is returned to the object. Read the all the data as uint8 data.

```
Datagram with properties:

Data: [11 12 13 14 15]
SenderAddress: "127.0.0.1"
SenderPort: 4040
```

## Clean Up

When you are finished with the UDP object, clear it and turn off the echo server.

```
clear u
echoudp("off")
```

#### **See Also**

udpport | echoudp | read | write

## **More About**

• "Write and Read ASCII Data Over UDP" on page 8-7

## **Use Callbacks for UDP Communication**

You can enhance the power and flexibility of your UDP port by using events and callbacks. An event occurs after a condition is met and can result in one or more callbacks.

While MATLAB is connected to a UDP port, you can use events to display a message, display data, analyze data, and so on. You can control callbacks through callback properties and callback functions. All event types have an associated callback property. Callback functions are MATLAB functions that you write to suit your specific application needs. Execute a callback when a particular event occurs by specifying the name of the callback function as the value for the associated callback property.

## **Callback Properties**

The udpport properties and functions associated with callbacks follow.

Property or Function	Purpose
NumBytesAvailable	Number of bytes available to read
BytesAvailableFcn	Bytes available callback function
BytesAvailableFcnCount	Number of bytes of data to trigger callback
BytesAvailableFcnMode	Bytes available callback trigger mode
NumDatagramsAvailable	Number of datagrams available to read
DatagramsAvailableFcn	Datagrams available callback function
DatagramsAvailableFcnCount	Number of datagrams to trigger callback
DatagramsAvailableFcnMode	Datagrams available callback trigger mode
configureCallback	Set callback function and trigger condition for communication with UDP port
ErrorOccurredFcn	Callback function triggered by error event
UserData	General purpose property for user data

For more information about configuring these properties and functions, see udpport Properties on page 23-407.

# Use Byte-Mode Callback with Byte-Type UDP Object

This example shows how to set a callback function to trigger when a certain number of bytes of data are available from a byte-type udpport object.

1 Create an echo server to connect to from your UDP network socket. An echo server returns the same data that is written to it.

```
echoudp("on",4040)
```

2 Create the callback function. Define a callback function readUDPData that reads received data and displays it in the command window.

```
function readUDPData(src,~)
    src.UserData = src.UserData + 1;
    disp("Callback Call Count: " + num2str(src.UserData))
```

```
data = read(src,src.BytesAvailableFcnCount,"uint8")
end
```

Save this as an .m file in the directory that you are working in.

**3** Create a byte-type udpport object u.

Set the UserData property to 0.

```
u.UserData = 0;
```

4 Configure callback properties to read and display data each time five bytes are received in MATLAB.

```
configureCallback(u, "byte",5,@readUDPData)
```

**5** Write ten bytes of data to trigger the callback function twice.

6 Clear the udpport object when you are done working with it. Turn off the echo server.

```
clear u
echoudp("off")
```

# **Use Terminator-Mode Callback with Byte-Type UDP Object**

This example shows how to set a callback function to trigger when a terminator is available to be read from a byte-type udpport object.

1 Create an echo server to connect to from your UDP network socket. An echo server returns the same data that is written to it.

```
echoudp("on",4040)
```

2 Create the callback function. Define a callback function readUDPData that reads received data and displays it in the command window

```
function readUDPData(src,~)
    src.UserData = src.UserData + 1;
    disp("Callback Call Count: " + num2str(src.UserData))
    data = readline(src)
end
```

Save this as an .m file in the directory that you are working in.

**3** Create a byte-type udpport object u.

Set the UserData property to 0.

```
u.UserData = 0;
```

**4** Configure callback properties to read and display data each time ASCII-terminated data is received in MATLAB.

```
configureCallback(u,"terminator",@readUDPData)
```

**5** Write a string to trigger the callback function. The writeline function automatically appends the terminator to the string before it is written to the server.

```
writeline(u,"hello","localhost",4040)
Callback Call Count: 1
data =
    "hello"
```

Write another string to trigger the callback function a second time.

```
writeline(u,"world","localhost",4040)
Callback Call Count: 2
data =
    "world"
```

6 Clear the udpport object when you are done working with it. Turn off the echo server.

```
clear u
echoudp("off")
```

## Use Datagram-Mode Callback with Datagram-Type UDP Object

This example shows how to set a callback function to trigger when a certain number of datagrams are available from a datagram-type udpport object.

1 Create an echo server to connect to from your UDP network socket. An echo server returns the same data that is written to it.

```
echoudp("on", 4040)
```

2 Create the callback function. Define a callback function readUDPData that reads received data and displays it in the command window

```
function readUDPData(src,~)
    src.UserData = src.UserData + 1;
    disp("Callback Call Count: " + num2str(src.UserData))
    data = read(src,1,"uint8")
end
```

Save this as an .m file in the directory that you are working in.

**3** Create a datagram-type udpport object u.

```
u.UserData = 0;
```

Specify the maximum number of bytes to be written in a datagram packet as ten bytes by setting the  ${\tt OutputDatagramSize}$  property.

```
u.OutputDatagramSize = 10;
```

4 Configure callback properties to read and display data each time one datagram is received in MATLAB.

```
configureCallback(u, "datagram", 1,@readUDPData)
```

**5** Write 30 bytes of data to trigger the callback function three times.

```
write(u,1:30,"localhost",4040)
Callback Call Count: 1
data =
   Datagram with properties:
```

```
Data: [1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10]
SenderAddress: "127.0.0.1"
SenderPort: 4040

Callback Call Count: 2

data =

Datagram with properties:

Data: [11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20]
SenderAddress: "127.0.0.1"
SenderPort: 4040

Callback Call Count: 3

data =

Datagram with properties:

Data: [21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30]
SenderAddress: "127.0.0.1"
SenderPort: 4040
```

**6** Clear the udpport object when you are done working with it. Turn off the echo server.

```
clear u
echoudp("off")
```

#### See Also

udpport | configureCallback

#### **More About**

"Communicate Between Two MATLAB Sessions Using User Datagram Protocol" on page 21-111

# **Transition Your Code to udpport Interface**

The udp function, its object functions, and its properties will be removed. Use udpport instead.

udp Interface	udpport Interface	Example
udp, DatagramTerminateMode, and fopen	udpport	"Connect to UDP Socket" on page 8-19
fwrite	write	"Read and Write" on page 8-19
fread	read	
fprintf	writeline	"Read Terminated String" on page 8-21
		"Write and Read Back Data" on page 8-22
fscanf	readline	"Read Terminated String" on page 8-21
fgetl		"Read and Parse String Data" on page 8-22
fgets		"Write and Read Back Data" on page 8-22
flushinput and flushoutput	flush	"Flush Data from Memory" on page 8-23
Terminator	configureTerminator	"Set Terminator" on page 8-23
BytesAvailableFcnCount, BytesAvailableFcnMode, and BytesAvailableFcn	configureCallback	"Set Up Callback Function" on page 8-23
DatagramReceivedFcn		
BytesAvailable	NumBytesAvailable	
OutputDatagramPacketSize	OutputDatagramSize	
ErrorFcn	ErrorOccurredFcn	

# **Removed Functionality**

The binblockread and binblockwrite functions will be removed.

The DatagramAddress and DatagramPort properties are the SenderAddress and SenderPort properties of the Datagram structure returned by the read function in the updated interface.

The RemoteHost and RemotePort properties are input arguments for the write and writeline functions in the updated interface. The LocalPortMode property is part of the LocalPort property in the updated interface.

The ValuesReceived and ValuesSent properties will be removed. You can calculate the number of values sent using the NumBytesAvailable property and the data type of the data available. For example, if the NumBytesAvailable is 20 bytes of uint32 data, the number of values sent is five since each uint32 value is four bytes.

The readasync and stopasync functions and the ReadAsyncMode and TransferStatus properties will be removed. The updated interface reads data asynchronously.

The BytesToOutput, InputBufferSize, OutputBufferSize, and InputDatagramPacketSize properties will be removed. Buffer sizes and received datagram sizes are automatically managed and sized as needed.

The OutputEmptyFcn property will be removed. You can set callback functions using configureCallback in the updated interface, but not for this property.

The RecordDetail, RecordMode, RecordName, and RecordStatus properties will be removed.

The TimerFcn and TimerPeriod properties will be removed. Use timer instead.

The Name, Type, ObjectVisibility, Status, and Tag properties will be removed.

#### **Connect to UDP Socket**

These examples show how to connect to a UDP socket and disconnect from it using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>u = udp; u.DatagramTerminateMode = "off"; fopen(u)</pre>	<pre>uByte = udpport("byte");</pre>
<pre>u = udp; u.DatagramTerminateMode = "on"; fopen(u)</pre>	<pre>uDatagram = udpport("datagram");</pre>
fclose(u)	clear uByte
delete(u) clear u	clear uDatagram

The fopen function is not available in the updated interface. The object creation function udpport both creates and connects the object.

The fclose function is not available in the updated interface. The clear function disconnects the object when it removes the object from the workspace.

For more information, see udpport.

#### **Read and Write**

These examples use a echo server to show how to perform a binary write and read, and write and read a nonterminated string using the recommended functionality.

```
Use This Instead
Functionality
echoudp("on",9090)
                                            echoudp("on",9090)
                                            % uByte is a udpport byte object
% u is a udp object
u.DatagramTerminateMode = "off";
                                            write(uByte, 1:5, "127.0.0.1", 9090)
fwrite(u,1:5);
                                            data = read(uByte,5)
data = fread(u,5)
                                            data =
data =
                                                 1
                                                       2
                                                            3
                                                                  4
                                                                          5
     1
     2
     3
     4
     5
echoudp("on",9090)
                                            echoudp("on",9090)
% u is a udp object
                                            % uDatagram is a udpport datagram object
u.DatagramTerminateMode = "on";
                                            write(uDatagram, 1:5)
fwrite(u,1:5);
                                            data = read(uDatagram,1)
data = fread(u,1)
                                            data =
data =
                                              Datagram with properties:
     1
     2
                                                          Data: [1 2 3 4 5]
     3
                                                SenderAddress: "127.0.0.1"
     4
                                                   SenderPort: 9090
     5
echoudp("on",9090)
                                            echoudp("on",9090)
% u is a udp object
                                            % uByte is a udpport byte object
fwrite(u, "hello", "char")
                                            write(uByte, "hello", "string", "localhost", 9090);
length = 1;
                                            length = 5;
data = fread(u,length,"char")
                                            data = read(uByte,length,"string")
data =
                                            data =
   104
                                                "hello"
   101
   108
  108
  111
data = char(data)'
data =
    'hello'
```

```
Functionality

Use This Instead

echoudp("on",9090)

% uDatagram is a udpport datagram object
write(uDatagram,"hello","string","localhost
length = 1;
data = read(uDatagram,length,"string")

data =

Datagram with properties:

Data: "hello"
SenderAddress: "127.0.0.1"
SenderPort: 9090
```

For more information, see write or read.

## **Read Terminated String**

This example shows how to perform a terminated string write and read using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
echoudp("on",9090)	echoudp("on",9090)
% u is a udp object u.Terminator = "CR"; fprintf(u, "hello") data = fscanf(u)	% uByte is a udpport byte object configureTerminator(uByte,"CR"); writeline(uByte,"hello","127.0.0.1",9090); data = readline(uByte)
data =	a =
'hello	"hello"
echoudp("on",9090)	
% u is a udp object u.Terminator = "CR"; fprintf(u, "hello") data = fgetl(u)	
data =	
'hello'	
fgetl reads until the specified terminator is reached and then discards the terminator.	

```
Functionality

echoudp("on",9090)

% u is a udp object
u.Terminator = "CR";
fprintf(u,"hello")
data = fgets(u)

data =

'hello

fgets reads until the specified terminator is reached and then returns the terminator.
```

For more information, see writeline or readline.

## **Read and Parse String Data**

This example shows how to read and parse string data using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% u is a udp object data = scanstr(u,';')	% uByte is a udpport byte object data = readline(uByte)
data =	data =
3×1 cell array	"a;b;c"
{'a'} {'b'}	<pre>data = strsplit(data,";")</pre>
{'c'}	data =
	1×3 string array
	"a" "b" "c"

For more information, see readline.

#### Write and Read Back Data

This example shows how to write ASCII terminated data and read ASCII terminated data back using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>data = query(u,'ctrlcmd')</pre>	<pre>% uByte is a udpport byte object writeline(uByte,"ctrlcmd") data = readline(uByte)</pre>
<pre>data =    'success'</pre>	data = "success"

For more information, see writeline or readline.

## Flush Data from Memory

This example shows how to flush data from the buffer using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% u is a udp object flushinput(u)	% u is a udpport byte or datagram object flush(u,"input")
% u is a udp object flushoutput(u)	% u is a udpport byte or datagram object flush(u,"output")
% u is a udp object flushinput(u) flushoutput(u)	% u is a udpport byte or datagram object flush(u)

For more information, see flush.

#### **Set Terminator**

These examples show how to set the terminator using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
% u is a udp object u.Terminator = "CR/LF";	% u is a udpport byte or datagram object configureTerminator(u,"CR/LF")
	% u is a udpport byte or datagram object configureTerminator(u,"CR/LF",10)

For more information, see  ${\tt configureTerminator}.$ 

# **Set Up Callback Function**

These examples show how to set up a callback function using the recommended functionality.

```
Functionality
                                            Use This Instead
% u is a udp object
                                            % uByte is a udpport byte object
u.BytesAvailableFcnCount = 5;
                                            configureCallback(uByte, "byte", 5,@mycallback);
u.BytesAvailableFcnMode = "byte";
u.BytesAvailableFcn = @mycallback;
                                            function mycallback(src,evt)
                                               data = read(src,src.BytesAvailableFcnCount);
function mycallback(src,evt)
                                               disp(evt)
   data = fread(src,src.BytesAvailableFcnCdentd);
   disp(evt)
   disp(evt.Data)
end
                                              ByteAvailableInfo with properties:
                                                BytesAvailableFcnCount: 5
    Type: 'BytesAvailable'
                                                               AbsTime: 21-Dec-2019 12:23:01
    Data: [1×1 struct]
   AbsTime: [2019 12 21 16 35 9.7032]
% u is a udp object
                                            % uDatagram is a udpport datagram object
u.DatagramTerminateMode = "on";
                                            configureCallback(uDatagram, "datagram", 1, @mycallback)
u.DatagramReceivedFcn = @mycallback;
                                            function mycallback(src,evt)
                                               data = read(src,src.DatagramsAvailableFdnCount);
function mycallback(src,evt)
  data = fread(src,src.BytesAvailableFcnCdunt)
isp(evt)
   disp(evt)
                                            end
  disp(evt.Data)
end
                                              DatagramAvailableInfo with properties:
    Type: 'DatagramReceived'
                                                DatagramsAvailableFcnCount: 1
    Data: [1×1 struct]
                                                                    AbsTime: 21-Dec-2019 12:23:01
            AbsTime: [2019 12 21 16 35 9.7032]
    DatagramAddress: '127.0.0.1'
       DatagramPort: 9090
     DatagramLength: 1
% u is a udp object
                                            % uByte is a udpport byte object
                                            configureCallback(uByte, "terminator", @mycallback);
u.Terminator = "CR";
u.BytesAvailableFcnMode = "terminator";
u.BytesAvailableFcn = @mycallback;
                                            function mycallback(src,evt)
                                               data = readline(src);
function mycallback(src,evt)
                                               disp(evt)
   data = fscanf(src);
                                            end
   disp(evt)
  disp(evt.Data)
                                              TerminatorAvailableInfo with properties:
end
                                                                AbsTime: 21-Dec-2019 12:23:01
    Type: 'BytesAvailable'
    Data: [1×1 struct]
    AbsTime: [2019 12 21 16 35 9.7032]
```

For more information, see configureCallback.

#### **See Also**

udpport

# **More About**

• R2020a TCP/IP and UDP Interface Topics

## Basic Workflow to Read and Write Data over UDP

This example shows the basic workflow of text read and write operations with a UDP object connected to a remote instrument.

The instrument used is an echo server on a Linux-based PC. An echo server is a service available from the operating system that returns (echoes) received data to the sender. The host name is daqlab11 and the port number is 7. The host name is assigned by your network administrator.

**1** Create an instrument object — Create a UDP object associated with daqlab11.

```
u = udp('daqlab11',7);
```

**2 Write and read data** — You use the fprintf function to write text data to the instrument. For example, write the following string to the echo server.

```
fprintf(u,'Request Time')
```

UDP sends and receives data in blocks that are called datagrams. Each time you write or read data with a UDP object, you are writing or reading a datagram. For example, the string sent to the echo server constitutes a datagram with 13 bytes — 12 ASCII bytes plus the line feed terminator.

You use the fscanf function to read text data from the echo server.

```
fscanf(u)
ans =
Request Time
```

The DatagramTerminateMode property indicates whether a read operation terminates when a datagram is received. By default, DatagramTerminateMode is on and a read operation terminates when a datagram is received. To return multiple datagrams in one read operation, set DatagramTerminateMode to off.

The following commands write two datagrams. Note that only the second datagram sends the terminator character.

```
fprintf(u,'%s','Request Time')
fprintf(u,'%s\n','Request Time')
```

Since DatagramTerminateMode is off, fscanf reads across datagram boundaries until the terminator character is received.

```
u.DatagramTerminateMode = 'off'
data = fscanf(u)
data =
Request TimeRequest Time
```

**3 Disconnect and clean up** — When you no longer need u, you should disconnect it from the host, and remove it from memory and from the MATLAB workspace.

```
fclose(u)
delete(u)
clear u
```

**Note** UDP ports can be shared by other applications to allow for multiple applications to listen to the UDP datagrams on that port. This allows for the ability to listen to UDP broadcasts on the same local

port number in both MATLAB and other applications. You can enable and disable this capability with a new property of the UDP object called <code>EnablePortSharing</code>. See "Enable Port Sharing over UDP" on page 8-4.

# Asynchronous Read and Write Operations over UDP

This section provides details and examples exploring asynchronous read and write operations with a UDP object.

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"Cleanup" on page 8-32

## **Functions and Properties**

These functions are associated with reading and writing text asynchronously:

Function	Purpose
fprintf	Write text to a server.
readasync	Asynchronously read bytes from a server.
stopasync	Stop an asynchronous read or write operation.

These properties are associated with reading and writing text asynchronously:

Property	Purpose
BytesAvailable	Indicates the number of bytes available in the input buffer.
TransferStatus	Indicates what type of asynchronous operation is in progress.
	Indicates whether data is read continuously in the background or whether you must call the readasync function to read data asynchronously.

Additionally, you can use all the callback properties during asynchronous read and write operations.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

# Synchronous Versus Asynchronous Operations

The object can operate in synchronous mode or in asynchronous mode. When the object is operating synchronously, the read and write routines block the MATLAB command line until the operation has

completed or a timeout occurs. When the object is operating asynchronously, the read and write routines return control immediately to the MATLAB command line.

Additionally, you can use callback properties and callback functions to perform tasks as data is being written or read. For example, you can create a callback function that notifies you when the read or write operation has finished.

## Configuring and Connecting to the Server

For this example, we will use an echo server that is provided with the toolbox. The echo server allows you to experiment with the basic functionality of the UDP objects without connecting to an actual device. An echo server is a service that returns to the sender's address and port, the same bytes it receives from the sender.

```
echoudp('on', 8000);
```

You need to create a UDP object. In this example, create a UDP object associated with the host 127.0.0.1 (your local machine), port 8000. In general, the host name or address and the host port will be defined by the device and your network configuration.

```
u = udp('127.0.0.1', 8000);
```

Before you can perform a read or write operation, you must connect the UDP object to the server with the fopen function.

```
fopen(u)
```

If the object was successfully connected, its Status property is automatically configured to open.

```
u.Status
ans =
open
```

**Note** UDP ports can be shared by other applications to allow for multiple applications to listen to the UDP datagrams on that port. This allows for the ability to listen to UDP broadcasts on the same local port number in both MATLAB and other applications. You can enable and disable this capability with a new property of the UDP object called EnablePortSharing. See "Enable Port Sharing over UDP" on page 8-4.

# **Reading Data Asynchronously**

You can read data asynchronously with the UDP object in one of these two ways:

- Continuously, by setting ReadAsyncMode to continuous. In this mode, data is automatically stored in the input buffer as it becomes available from the server.
- Manually, by setting ReadAsyncMode to manual. In this mode, you must call the readasync function to store data in the input buffer.

The fscanf, fread, fgetl and fgets functions are used to bring the data from the input buffer into MATLAB. These functions operate synchronously.

## Reading Data Asynchronously Using Continuous ReadAsyncMode

To read data continuously:

```
u.ReadAsyncMode = 'continuous';
To send a string to the echoserver:
fprintf(u, 'Hello net.');
```

Because the ReadAsyncMode property is set to continuous, the object is continuously asking the server if any data is available. The echoserver sends data as soon as it receives data. The data is then read from the server and is stored in the object's input buffer.

You can bring the data from the object's input buffer into the MATLAB workspace with fscanf.

```
mystring = fscanf(u)
mystring =
    Hello net.
```

## Reading Data Asynchronously Using Manual ReadAsyncMode

You can also read data manually.

```
u.ReadAsyncMode = manual;
Now, send a string to the echoserver.
fprintf(u, 'Hello net.');
```

Once the last fprintf function completes, the server begins sending data. However, because ReadAsyncMode is set to manual, the object is not reading the data being sent from the server. Therefore no data is being read and placed in the input buffer.

```
u.BytesAvailable
ans =
0
```

The readasync function can asynchronously read the data from the server. The readasync function returns control to the MATLAB command line immediately.

The readasync function takes two input arguments. The first argument is the server object and the second argument is the size, the amount of data to be read from the server.

The readasync function without a size specified assumes size is given by the difference between the InputBufferSize property value and the BytesAvailable property value. The asynchronous read terminates when:

- The terminator is read as specified by the Terminator property
- The specified number of bytes have been read
- A timeout occurs as specified by the Timeout property

· The input buffer is filled

An error event will be generated if readasync terminates due to a timeout.

The object starts querying the server for data when the readasync function is called. Because all the data was sent before the readasync function call, no data will be stored in the input buffer and the data is lost.

When the UDP object is in manual mode (the ReadAsyncMode property is configured to manual), data that is sent from the server to the computer is not automatically stored in the input buffer of the UDP object. Data is not stored until readasync or one of the blocking read functions is called.

Manual mode should be used when a stream of data is being sent from your server and you only want to capture portions of the data.

## **Defining an Asynchronous Read Callback**

You can configure a UDP object to notify you when a terminator has been read using the dispcallback function.

```
u.ReadAsyncMode = 'continuous';
u.BytesAvailableFcn = 'dispcallback';
```

Note, the default value for the BytesAvailableFcnMode property indicates that the callback function defined by the BytesAvailableFcn property will be executed when the terminator has been read.

```
u.BytesAvailableFcnMode
ans =
    terminator
```

The callback function dispcallback displays event information for the specified event. Using the syntax dispcallback(obj, event), it displays a message containing the type of event, the name of the object that caused the event to occur, and the time the event occurred.

# **Using Callbacks During an Asynchronous Read**

Once the terminator is read from the server and placed in the input buffer, dispcallback is executed and a message is posted to the MATLAB command window indicating that a BytesAvailable event occurred.

```
fprintf(u, 'Hello net.')
u.BytesAvailable
ans =
    11

data = fscanf(u)
data =
    Hello net.
```

If you need to stop an asynchronous read or write operation, you do not have to wait for the operation to complete. You can use the stopasync function to stop the asynchronous read or write.

```
stopasync(u);
```

The data that has been read from the server remains in the input buffer. You can use one of the synchronous read functions to bring this data into the MATLAB workspace. However, because this data represents the wrong data, the flushinput function is called to remove all data from the input buffer.

```
flushinput(u);
```

## **Writing Data Asynchronously**

You can perform an asynchronous write with the fprintf or fwrite functions by passing 'async' as the last input argument.

Configure the object to notify you when an asynchronous write operation completes.

```
u.OutputEmptyFcn = 'dispcallback';
fprintf(u, 'Hello net.', 'async')
```

UDP sends and receives data in blocks that are called datagrams. Each time you write or read data with a UDP object, you are writing or reading a datagram. In the example below, a datagram with 11 bytes (10 ASCII bytes plus the LF terminator) will be sent to the echoserver. Then the echoserver will send back a datagram containing the same 11 bytes.

Configure the object to notify you when a datagram has been received.

```
u.DatagramReceivedFcn = 'dispcallback';
fprintf(u, 'Hello net.', 'async')
```

**Note** If you need to stop an asynchronous read or write operation, you do not have to wait for the operation to complete. You can use the stopasync function to stop the asynchronous read or write.

# Cleanup

If you are finished with the UDP object, disconnect it from the server, remove it from memory, and remove it from the workspace. If you are using the echo server, turn it off.

```
fclose(u);
delete(u);
clear u
echoudp('off');
```

# **Controlling Instruments Using I2C**

- "I2C Interface Overview" on page 9-2
- "Configuring I2C Communication" on page 9-3
- "Transmitting Data Over the I2C Interface" on page 9-6
- "I2C Interface Usage Requirements and Guidelines" on page 9-10

## **12C Interface Overview**

#### **I2C Communication**

I2C, or Inter-Integrated Circuit, is a chip-to-chip protocol supporting two-wire communication. An i2c object represents a connection between MATLAB and an I2C adapter board. The adapter has one or more sensor chips connected to it. MATLAB sends commands to the adapter board, which is the I2C controller device, in order to communicate with the chip, which is the I2C peripheral device. MATLAB always has the role of I2C controller and cannot be used in the peripheral role.

Supported adapters are the Total Phase Aardvark I2C/SPI Host Adapter and the National Instruments USB-845x adapter board. Some applications of this interface include communication with SPD EEPROM and NVRAM chips, communication with SMBus devices, controlling accelerometers, accessing low-speed DACs and ADCs, changing settings on color monitors using the display data channel, changing sound volume in intelligent speakers, reading hardware monitors and diagnostic sensors, visualizing data sent from an I2C sensor, and turning on or off the power supply of system components.

Use fread and fwrite to communicate with the chip. Identify I2C devices using instrhwinfo('i2c').

## Supported Platforms for I2C

You need to have either a Total Phase Aardvark host adapter or a NI USB-845x adapter board installed to use the i2c interface. The following sections contain the supported platforms for each option.

#### **Using Total Phase Aardvark**

The I2C interface is supported on these platforms when used with the Aardvark host adapter:

- Linux The software works with Red Hat Enterprise Linux 4 and 5 with kernel 2.6. It may also be successful with SuSE and Ubuntu distributions.
- Microsoft Windows 64-bit

**Note** For R2018b and R2018a, you cannot use the Aardvark adapter for I2C or SPI interfaces on the macOS platform. You can still use it on Windows and Linux. For releases prior to R2018a, you can use it on all three platforms, including macOS.

#### Using NI USB-845x

The I2C interface is supported on these platforms when used with the NI USB-845x host adapter:

• Microsoft Windows 64-bit

#### See Also

i2c

# **Configuring I2C Communication**

You need to have either a Total Phase Aardvark host adapter or a NI USB-845x adapter board installed to use the i2c interface. The following sections describe configuration for each option.

## **Configuring Total Phase Aardvark**

To use the I2C interface with the Aardvark adapter, you must download the Hardware Support Package to obtain the necessary files. You must also download the USB device driver from the vendor.

If you do not have the Aardvark driver installed, see "Install the Total Phase Aardvark I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-9.

The aardvark.dll file that comes with the Total Phase Aardvark adapter board must be available in one of the following locations for use on Windows platforms.

- The location where MATLAB was started from (Bin folder).
- The MATLAB current folder (PWD).
- The Windows folder C:\winnt or C:\windows.
- The folders listed in the PATH environment variable.

Ensure that the Aardvark adapter is installed properly.

```
instrhwinfo('i2c')
ans =
 HardwareInfo with properties:
   InstalledAdaptors: {'Aardvark' 'NI845x'}
      JarFileVersion: 'Version 4.1'
Access to your hardware may be provided by a support package. Go to the Support Package Installe
Look at the adapter properties.
instrhwinfo('i2c','Aardvark')
ans =
 HardwareInfo with properties:
           AdaptorDllName: 'C:\Program Files\MATLAB\R2019b\toolbox\instrument\instrumentadapto
         AdaptorDllVersion: 'Version 4.1'
              AdaptorName: 'Aardvark'
            BoardIdsInUse: [1×0 double]
         InstalledBoardIDs: 0
      DetectedBoardSerials: {'2237482577 (BoardIndex: 0)'}
```

Access to your hardware may be provided by a support package. Go to the Support Package Installe

You can create an I2C object using the i2c function. The example in the next section uses an I2C object called eeprom that communicates to an EEPROM chip. View the properties after creating the object.

```
eeprom = i2c('aardvark',0,'50h')
   I2C Object : I2C-0-50h
   Communication Settings
      BoardIndex
      BoardSerial
                          2237482577
      BitRate:
                          100 kHz
      RemoteAddress:
                          50h
      Vendor:
                          aardvark
   Communication State
      Status:
                          closed
      RecordStatus:
                          off
   Read/Write State
      TransferStatus:
                          idle
```

You can see that the communication settings properties reflect what was used to create the object - BoardIndex of 0 and RemoteAddress of 50h. For information about other properties, see "Properties" on page 23-203.

## **Configuring NI USB-845x**

To use the I2C interface with the NI USB-845x adapter, you must download the Hardware Support Package to obtain the latest driver, if you do not already have the driver installed. If you already have the latest driver installed, you do not need to download this Support Package.

If you do not have the NI USB-845x driver installed, see "Install the NI-845x I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-8.

Ensure that the NI USB-845x adapter is installed properly.

```
instrhwinfo('i2c')
ans =

HardwareInfo with properties:
    InstalledAdaptors: {'Aardvark' 'NI845x'}
        JarFileVersion: 'Version 4.1'

Access to your hardware may be provided by a support package. Go to the Support Package Installed
Look at the NI USB-845x adapter properties.
instrhwinfo('i2c','NI845x')
```

ans =

HardwareInfo with properties:

Access to your hardware may be provided by a support package. Go to the Support Package Installe

You can create an I2C object using the i2c function. View the properties after creating the object.

```
i2cobj = i2c('NI845x', 0, '10h')
   I2C Object : I2C-0-10h
   Communication Settings
      BoardIndex
      BoardSerial
                           0
      BitRate:
                           100 kHz
      RemoteAddress:
                           10h
      Vendor:
                           NI845x
   Communication State
      Status:
                           closed
      RecordStatus:
                           off
   Read/Write State
      TransferStatus:
                           idle
```

You can see that the communication settings properties reflect what was used to create the object - BoardIndex of 0 and RemoteAddress of 10h. For information about other properties, see "Properties" on page 23-203.

#### See Also

i2c

#### **More About**

- "Install the Total Phase Aardvark I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-9
- "Install the NI-845x I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-8

# Transmitting Data Over the I2C Interface

The typical workflow involves adapter discovery, connection, communication, and cleanup. Discovery can be done only at the adapter level. You need to have either a Total Phase Aardvark host adapter or a NI USB-845x adapter board installed to use the i2c interface.

## **Aardvark Example**

This example shows how to communicate with an EEPROM chip on a circuit board, with an address of 50 hex and a board index of 0, using the Aardvark adapter.

To communicate with an EEPROM chip:

1 Ensure that the Aardvark adapter is installed so that you can use the i2c interface.

```
instrhwinfo('i2c')
ans =
HardwareInfo with properties:
    InstalledAdaptors: {'Aardvark' 'NI845x'}
        JarFileVersion: 'Version 4.1'
```

Access to your hardware may be provided by a support package. Go to the Support Package Insta

**2** Look at the adapter properties.

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Make sure that you have the Aardvark software driver installed and that the aardvark.dll is on your MATLAB path. For details, see "I2C Interface Usage Requirements and Guidelines" on page 9-10.

**3** Create the I2C object called **eeprom**, using the following properties.

```
% Vendor = aardvark
% BoardIndex = 0
% RemoteAddress = 50h
```

```
eeprom = i2c('aardvark',0,'50h')
   I2C Object : I2C-0-50h
   Communication Settings
      BoardIndex
      BoardSerial
                          2237482577
      BitRate:
                          100 kHz
      RemoteAddress:
                          50h
      Vendor:
                          aardvark
   Communication State
      Status:
                          closed
      RecordStatus:
                          off
   Read/Write State
      TransferStatus:
                          idle
```

You must provide these three inputs to create the object. To identify the address of the chip, consult its documentation or data sheet. You can also find the address by scanning for instruments in the Test & Measurement Tool. In the tool, right-click the **I2C** node and select **Scan for I2C adaptors**. Any chips found by the scan is listed in the hardware tree. The listing includes the remote address of the chip.

**4** Connect to the chip.

```
fopen(eeprom)
```

Write 'Hello World!' to the EEPROM chip. Data is written page-by-page in I2C. Each page contains eight bytes. The page address needs to be mentioned before every byte of data written.

```
The first byte of the string 'Hello World!' is 'Hello Wo'. Its page address is 0.
```

```
fwrite(eeprom,[0 'Hello Wo'])
```

The second byte of the string 'Hello World!' is 'rld!'. Its page address is 8.

```
fwrite(eeprom,[8 'rld!'])
```

Read data back from the chip using the fread function. The chip returns the characters sent to it.

To start reading from the first byte of the first page, write a zero to the i2c object.

```
fwrite(eeprom,0)
char(fread(eeprom,12))'
ans =
    'Hello World!'
```

7 Disconnect the I2C device and clear the object from the workspace.

```
fclose(eeprom)
clear eeprom
```

### NI USB-845x Example

This example shows how to communicate with an Analog Devices® ADXL345 sensor chip on a circuit board, using an address of 53 hex and a board index of 0 on a NI USB-845x adapter. In this case, the NI USB-845x adapter board is plugged into the computer (via the USB port), and a circuit board containing the sensor chip is connected to the host adapter board via wires. Note that the circuit has external pullups, as the NI USB-8451 adapter used in this example does not have internal pullups.

To communicate with a sensor chip:

instrhwinfo('i2c')

**1** Ensure that the NI USB-845x adapter is installed so that you can use the i2c interface.

```
ans =
  HardwareInfo with properties:
    InstalledAdaptors: {'Aardvark' 'NI845x'}
        JarFileVersion: 'Version 4.1'
```

Access to your hardware may be provided by a support package. Go to the Support Package Insta

2 Look at the NI USB-845x adapter properties.

instrhwinfo('i2c','NI845x')

```
ans =

HardwareInfo with properties:

    AdaptorDllName: 'C:\Program Files\MATLAB\R2019b\toolbox\instrument\instrumentada
    AdaptorDllVersion: 'Version 4.1'
         AdaptorName: 'NI845x'
         BoardIdsInUse: [1×0 double]
         InstalledBoardIDs: [1×0 double]
         DetectedBoardSerials: {0×1 cell}
```

Access to your hardware may be provided by a support package. Go to the Support Package Insta

VendorDriverDescription: 'National Instruments NI USB 845x Driver'

Make sure that you have the NI USB-845x software driver installed. For details, see "I2C Interface Usage Requirements and Guidelines" on page 9-10.

ObjectConstructorName: 'i2c('NI845x', BoardIndex, RemoteAddress);'

3 Create the I2C object called i2cobj, using these properties:

VendorDllName: 'Ni845x.dll'

```
% Vendor = NI845x
% BoardIndex = 0
% RemoteAddress = 53h
i2cobj = i2c('NI845x',0,'53h');
```

You must provide these three inputs to create the object. To identify the address of the chip, consult its documentation or data sheet. You can also find the address by scanning for instruments in the Test & Measurement Tool. In the tool, right-click the **I2C** node and select

**Scan for I2C adaptors**. Any chips found by the scan is listed in the hardware tree. The listing includes the remote address of the chip.

**4** Connect to the chip.

```
fopen(i2cobj)
```

Write to the sensor chip. Read the documentation or data sheet of the chip in order to know what the remote address is and other information about the chip. Usually chip manufacturers provide separate read and write addresses. The adapter boards only take one address (the read address) and handle conversions to read and write addresses.

In this case, the chip's device ID register is at address 0, so you need to write a 0 to the chip indicating you would like to read or write to the register.

```
fwrite(i2cobj,0)
```

Read data back from the chip using the fread function. By sending one byte, you can read back the device ID registry. For this chip, the read-only device ID registry is 229.

```
fread(i2cobj,1)
ans =
    229
```

7 Disconnect the I2C device and clear the object from the workspace.

```
fclose(i2cobj)
clear i2cobj
```

#### See Also

i2c | fopen | fread | fwrite | fclose

#### **More About**

"I2C Interface Usage Requirements and Guidelines" on page 9-10

# **I2C Interface Usage Requirements and Guidelines**

The I2C interface does not support asynchronous behavior. Therefore, functions such as fprintf, fscanf, and query do not work. Use fread and fwrite to communicate using this interface.

You need to have either a Total Phase Aardvark host adapter or a NI USB-845x adapter board installed to use the i2c interface. The following sections describe requirements for each option.

### **Aardvark-specific Requirements**

To use the I2C interface with the Aardvark adapter, you must download the Hardware Support Package to obtain the necessary files. You must also download the USB device driver from the vendor.

If you do not have the Aardvark driver installed, see "Install the Total Phase Aardvark I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-9.

You must install the Aardvark Software API and Share Library appropriate for your operating system.

The aardvark.dll file that comes with the Total Phase Aardvark adapter board must be available in one of the following locations for use on Windows platforms.

- The location where MATLAB was started from (Bin folder).
- The MATLAB current folder (PWD).
- The Windows folder C:\winnt or C:\windows.
- The folders listed in the PATH environment variable.

The aardvark.so file that comes with the Total Phase Aardvark adapter board must be in your MATLAB path for use on Linux platforms.

If you repower your Aardvark board, set the GPIO pins to output to get communication with a device to work. By default they are configured as input.

## NI USB-845x-specific Requirements

To use the I2C interface with the NI USB-845x adapter, you must download the Hardware Support Package to obtain the latest driver, if you do not already have the driver installed. If you already have the latest driver installed, you do not need to download this Support Package.

If you do not have the NI USB-845x driver installed, see "Install the NI-845x I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-8.

Devices differ in their use of pullups. The Aardvark and NI USB-8452 adapters have internal pullup resistors to tie both bus lines to VDD, and can be set programmatically. The NI USB-8451 adapter does not have this type of internal pullup resistor and, therefore, requires external pullups. Consult your device documentation to ensure that you are using the correct pullups.

### See Also

### **More About**

- "Install the Total Phase Aardvark I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-9
- "Install the NI-845x I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-8

# **Controlling Instruments Using SPI**

- "SPI Interface Overview" on page 10-2
- "Configuring SPI Communication" on page 10-3
- "Transmitting Data Over the SPI Interface" on page 10-7
- "Using Properties on the SPI Object" on page 10-13
- "SPI Interface Usage Requirements and Guidelines" on page 10-16

### **SPI Interface Overview**

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"Supported Platforms for SPI" on page 10-2

#### **SPI Communication**

SPI, or Serial Peripheral Interface, is a synchronous serial data link standard that operates in full duplex mode. It is commonly used in the test and measurement field. Typical uses include communicating with micro controllers, EEPROMs, A2D devices, embedded controllers, etc.

Instrument Control Toolbox SPI support lets you open connections with individual chips and to read and write over the connections to individual chips using an Aardvark or NI-845x host adaptor.

The primary uses for the spi interface involve the write, read, and writeAndRead functions for synchronously reading and writing binary data. To identify SPI devices in Instrument Control Toolbox, use the instrhwinfo function on the SPI interface, called spi.

### Supported Platforms for SPI

You need to have either a Total Phase Aardvark host adaptor or an NI-845x adaptor board installed to use the spi interface. The following sections contain the supported platforms for each option.

#### **Using Aardvark**

The SPI interface is supported on these platforms when used with the Aardvark host adaptor:

- Linux Red Hat<sup>®</sup> Enterprise Linux 4 and 5 with kernel 2.6, and possibly SUSE<sup>®</sup> and Ubuntu distributions.
- Microsoft Windows 64-bit

Note For R2018b and R2018a, you cannot use the Aardvark adaptor for I2C or SPI interfaces on the macOS platform. You can still use it on Windows and Linux. For releases prior to R2018a, you can use it on all three platforms, including the Mac.

#### Using NI-845x

The SPI interface is supported on these platforms when used with the NI-845x host adaptor:

• Microsoft Windows 64-bit

# **Configuring SPI Communication**

You must have a Total Phase Aardvark host adaptor or an NI-845x adaptor board installed to use the spi interface.

### **Configuring Aardvark**

To use the SPI interface with the Aardvark adaptor, you must download the Hardware Support Package to obtain the necessary files. You must also download the USB device driver from the vendor.

If you do not have the Aardvark driver installed, see "Install the Total Phase Aardvark I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-9.

The aardvark.dll file that comes with the Total Phase Aardvark adaptor board must be available in one of these locations for use on Windows platforms:

- The location where MATLAB was started from (bin folder)
- The MATLAB current folder (PWD)
- The Windows folder C:\winnt or C:\windows
- The folders listed in the path environment variable

Ensure that the Aardvark adaptor is installed properly.

```
>> instrhwinfo('spi')
ans =

SupportedVendors: {'aardvark'}
InstalledVendors: {'aardvark'}
```

Look at the adaptor properties.

Create a SPI object using the spi function. This example uses a SPI object called S that communicates to an EEPROM chip. Create the object using the BoardIndex and Port numbers, which are  $\theta$  in both cases.

```
S = spi('aardvark', 0, 0);
```

Display the object properties.

```
>> disp(S)
SPI Object :
```

Adapter Settings

BoardIndex: 0

BoardSerial: 2237722838 VendorName: aardvark

Communication Settings

BitRate: 1000000 Hz

ChipSelect: 0

ClockPhase: FirstEdge ClockPolarity: IdleLow

Port: 0

Communication State

ConnectionStatus: Disconnected

Read/Write State

TransferStatus: Idle

The communication settings properties reflect what was used to create the object – BoardIndex of 0 and Port of 0. For information about other properties, see "Using Properties on the SPI Object" on page 10-13.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

#### **Configuring NI-845x**

To use the SPI interface with the NI-845x adaptor, download the hardware support package to obtain the latest driver, if you do not already have the driver installed.

If you do not have the NI-845x driver installed, see "Install the NI-845x I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-8 to install it.

Ensure that the NI-845x adaptor is installed properly.

```
>> instrhwinfo('spi')
ans =

<u>HardwareInfo</u> with properties:

SupportedVendors: {'aardvark' 'ni845x'}
InstalledVendors: {'ni845x'}
```

Look at the NI-845x adaptor properties.

```
>> instrhwinfo('spi', 'ni845x')
ans =

<u>HardwareInfo</u> with properties:

VendorName: 'ni845x'
```

```
VendorName: N1845x
VendorDescription: 'National Instruments'
VendorLibraryName: 'Ni845x.dll'
InstalledBoardIds: {[0]}
BoardSerialNumbers: {'0183388B'}
ObjectConstructors: {'spi('ni845x', 0, 0)'}
```

Create a SPI object using the spi function. The example in the next section uses a SPI object called s2 that communicates with an EEPROM chip. Create the object using the BoardIndex and Port numbers, which are  $\theta$  in both cases.

```
s2 = spi('ni845x', 0, 0);
```

Display the object properties.

>> disp(s2) SPI Object :

Adapter Settings

BoardIndex: 0

BoardSerial: 0183388B VendorName: ni845x

Communication Settings

BitRate: 1000000 Hz

ChipSelect: 0

ClockPhase: FirstEdge ClockPolarity: IdleLow

Port: 0

Communication State

ConnectionStatus: Disconnected

Read/Write State

TransferStatus: Idle

The communication settings properties reflect what was used to create the object – BoardIndex of 0 and Port of 0. For information about other properties, see "Using Properties on the SPI Object" on page 10-13.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

# **Transmitting Data Over the SPI Interface**

The typical workflow for transmitting data over the SPI interface involves adaptor discovery, connection, communication, and cleanup. Discovery can be done only at the adaptor level. You must have a Total Phase Aardvark adaptor or an NI-845x adaptor board installed to use the spi interface.

#### **Transmit Data Over SPI Using Aardvark**

This example shows how to communicate with an EEPROM chip on a circuit board, with a board index of 0 and using port 0.

1 Ensure that the Aardvark adaptor is installed so that you can use the spi interface.

```
>> instrhwinfo('spi')
ans =

SupportedVendors: {'aardvark'}
InstalledVendors: {'aardvark'}
```

**2** Look at the adaptor properties.

Make sure that you have the Aardvark software driver installed and that the aardvark.dll is on your MATLAB path. For details, see "SPI Interface Usage Requirements and Guidelines" on page 10-16.

**3** Create the SPI object called **S**, using these properties:

```
% Vendor = aardvark
% BoardIndex = 0
% Port = 0
S = spi('aardvark', 0, 0);
```

You must provide these three parameters to create the object.

**4** Look at the object properties.

```
>> S
s =
SPI Object :
    Adapter Settings
        BoardIndex:
        BoardSerial:
                                2237722838
        VendorName:
                                aardvark
    Communication Settings
        BitRate:
                                1000000 Hz
        ChipSelect:
        ClockPhase:
                                FirstEdge
        ClockPolarity:
                                IdleLow
        Port:
    Communication State
        ConnectionStatus:
                                Disconnected
    Read/Write State
        TransferStatus:
                                Idle
```

When you create the spi object, default communication settings are used, as shown here. To change any of these settings, see "Using Properties on the SPI Object" on page 10-13 for more information and a list of the properties.

**5** Connect to the chip.

```
connect(S);
```

**6** Read and write to the chip.

```
% Create a variable containing the data to write
dataToWrite = [3 0 0 0];
% Write the binary data to the chip
write(S, dataToWrite);
% Create a variable that contains the number of values to read
numData = 5;
% Read the binary data from the chip
data = read(S, numData);
7 Disconnect the SPI device and clean up by clearing the object.
disconnect(S);
clear('S');
```

#### Transmit Data Over SPI Using NI-845x

This example shows how to communicate with an EEPROM chip on a circuit board, with a board index of 0 and using port 0.

1 Ensure that the NI-845x adaptor is installed so that you can use the spi interface.

```
>> instrhwinfo('spi')
ans =

<u>HardwareInfo</u> with properties:

SupportedVendors: {'aardvark' 'ni845x'}
InstalledVendors: {'ni845x'}
```

**2** Look at the NI-845x adaptor properties.

Make sure that you have the NI-845x software driver installed. For details, see "SPI Interface Usage Requirements and Guidelines" on page 10-16.

**3** Create the SPI object called **s**2, using these properties:

```
% Vendor = ni845x
% BoardIndex = 0
% Port = 0
s2 = spi('ni845x', 0, 0);
```

You must provide these three parameters to create the object.

**4** Look at the object properties.

```
>> disp(s2)
SPI Object :
    Adapter Settings
        BoardIndex:
                                0
        BoardSerial:
                                0183388B
        VendorName:
                                ni845x
    Communication Settings
        BitRate:
                                1000000 Hz
        ChipSelect:
                                0
        ClockPhase:
                                FirstEdge
        ClockPolarity:
                                IdleLow
        Port:
    Communication State
        ConnectionStatus:
                                Disconnected
    Read/Write State
        TransferStatus:
                                Idle
```

When you create the spi object, default communication settings are used, as shown here. To change any of these settings, see "Using Properties on the SPI Object" on page 10-13 for more information and a list of the properties.

**5** Connect to the chip.

```
connect(s2);
```

Read and write to the chip.

```
% Create a variable containing the data to write
dataToWrite = [3 0 0 0];
% Write the binary data to the chip
write(s2, dataToWrite);
% Create a variable that contains the number of values to read
numData = 5;
% Read the binary data from the chip
data = read(s2, numData);
ans =
Disconnect the SPI device and clean up by clearing the object.
```

#### **SPI Functions**

disconnect(s2); clear('s2');

You can use these functions with the spi object.

**Note** SPI is a full duplex communication protocol, and data must be written in order to read data. You can use the read function to write dummy data to the device. The write function flushes the data returned by the device. The writeAndRead function does the read and write together.

Function	Purpose		
instrhwinfo	Check that the Aardvark and/or NI-845x adaptor is installed.		
	<pre>instrhwinfo('spi')</pre>		
	Look at the adaptor properties.		
	instrhwinfo('spi', 'Aardvark')		
	<pre>instrhwinfo('spi', 'ni845x')</pre>		
spiinfo	Returns information about devices and displays the information on a per vendor basis.		
	<pre>info = spiinfo()</pre>		
connect	Connect the SPI object to the device. Use this syntax:		
	<pre>connect(spiObject);</pre>		
read	Synchronously read binary data from the device. To read data, first create a variable, such as numData, to specify the size of the data to read. In this case, create the variable to read 5 bytes. Then use the read function as shown here, where spiObject is the name of your object. This process is also shown in step 6 of the previous example. The precision of the data is UINT8.		
	numData = 5;		
	read(spiObject, numData);		
	Or you can use this syntax:		
	A = read(spi0bject, size)		

Function	Purpose			
write	Synchronously write binary data to the device. To write data, first create a variable, such as dataToWrite. In this case, create the data [3 0 0 0]. The use the write function as shown here, where spiObject is the name of you object. This process is also shown in step 6 of the previous example. The precision of the data written is UINT8.  dataToWrite = [3 0 0 0];			
	<pre>write(spi0bject, dataToWrite);</pre>			
writeAndRead	Synchronously do a simultaneous read and write of binary data with the device. In this case, the function synchronously writes the data specified by the variable dataToWrite to the device in binary format, then synchronously reads from the device and returns the data to the variable data, as shown here, where spiObject is the name of your object. The precision of the data written and read is UINT8.			
	dataToWrite = [3 0 0 0];			
	<pre>data = writeAndRead(spiObject, dataToWrite)</pre>			
disconnect	Disconnect SPI object from the device. Use this syntax:			
	<pre>disconnect(spi0bject);</pre>			

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

# **Using Properties on the SPI Object**

Use the properties function on the spi object to see the available properties. In the preceding example, the syntax would be:

```
properties(S)
```

The following shows the output of the properties from the preceding example, "Transmitting Data Over the SPI Interface" on page 10-7.

```
>> properties(S)
```

Properties for class instrument.interface.spi.aardvark.Spi:

BitRate ClockPhase ClockPolarity ChipSelect Port BoardIndex VendorName BoardSerial ConnectionStatus TransferStatus

You can use these interface-specific properties with the spi object.

Property	Description	
BitRate	SPI clock speed. Must be a positive, nonzero value specified in Hz. The default is 1000000 Hz for both the Aardvark and NI-845x adaptors. To change from the default:	
	S.BitRate = 400000	
ClockPhase	SPI clock phase. Can be specified as 'FirstEdge' or 'SecondEdge'. The default of 'FirstEdge' is used if you do not specify a phase.	
	ClockPhase indicates when the data is sampled. If set to 'FirstEdge', the first edge of the clock is used to sample the first data byte. The first edge may be the rising edge (if ClockPolarity is set to 'IdleLow'), or the falling edge (if ClockPolarity is set to 'IdleHigh'). If set to 'SecondEdge', the second edge of the clock is used to sample the first data byte. The second edge may be the falling edge (if ClockPolarity is set to 'IdleLow'), or the rising edge (if ClockPolarity is set to 'IdleHigh').	
	To change from the default:	
	S.ClockPhase = 'SecondEdge'	

Property	Description			
ClockPolarity	SPI clock polarity. Can be specified as 'IdleLow' or 'IdleHigh'. The default of 'IdleLow' is used if you do not specify a phase.			
	ClockPolarity indicates the level of the clock signal when idle. 'IdleLow' means the clock idle state is low, and 'IdleHigh' me the clock idle state is high.			
	To change from the default:			
	S.Polarity = 'IdleHigh'			
ChipSelect	SPI chip select line. The Aardvark adaptor uses 0 as the chip select line since it has only one line, so that is the default and only valid value.			
Port	Use to create spi object. Port number of your hardware, specified as the number 0. The Aardvark adaptor uses 0 as the port number when there is one adaptor board connected. If there are multiple boards connected, they could use ports 0 and 1. Specify port number as the third argument when you create the spi object:			
	S = spi('aardvark', 0, 0);			
BoardSerial	Unique identifier of the SPI communication device.			
VendorName	Use to create spi object. Adaptor board vendor, must be set to 'aardvark', for use with Total Phase Aardvark adaptor or 'ni845x' for use with the NI-845x adaptor. Specify the vendor as the first argument when you create the spi object:			
	S = spi('aardvark', 0, 0);			
BoardIndex	Use to create spi object. Specifies the board index of the hardware. Usually set to 0. Specify board index as the second argument when you create the spi object:			
	S = spi('aardvark', 0, 0);			
ConnectionStatus	Returns the connection status of the SPI object. Possible values are Disconnected (default) and Connected.			
TransferStatus	Returns the read/write operation status of the SPI object. Possible values:			
	Idle (default) - The device is not transferring any data.			
	Read - The device is reading data.			
	Write - The device is writing data.			
	ReadWrite - The device is reading and writing data.			

The properties all have defaults, as indicated in the table. You do not need to set a property unless you want to change it to a different value from the default. Aside from the three properties required to construct the object - VendorName, BoardIndex, and Port - any other property is set using the .dot notation syntax:

<object\_name>..cobject\_name> = <value>

Here are a few examples of using this syntax.

Change the BitRate from the default of 1000000 to 500000 kHz

S.BitRate = 500000

Change the ClockPhase from the default of 'FirstEdge' to 'SecondEdge'

S.ClockPhase = 'SecondEdge'

where S is the name of the object used in the examples.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

# **SPI Interface Usage Requirements and Guidelines**

You need to have either a Total Phase Aardvark host adaptor or an NI-845x adaptor board installed to use the spi interface. The following sections describe requirements for each option.

#### **Aardvark-specific Requirements**

To use the SPI interface with the Aardvark adaptor, you must download the Hardware Support Package to obtain the necessary files. You must also download the USB device driver from the vendor.

If you do not have the Aardvark driver installed, see "Install the Total Phase Aardvark I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-9.

Install the Aardvark Software API and Shared Library appropriate for your operating system.

The aardvark.dll file that comes with the Total Phase Aardvark adaptor board must be available in one of these locations for use on Windows platforms:

- Location where MATLAB was started from (bin folder)
- MATLAB current folder (PWD)
- Windows folder C:\winnt or C:\windows
- Folders listed in the path environment variable

For use on Linux platforms, the aardvark.so file that comes with the Total Phase Aardvark adaptor board must be in your MATLAB path.

#### NI-845x-specific Requirements

To use the SPI interface with the NI-845x adaptor, you must download the hardware support package to obtain the latest driver, if you do not already have the driver installed. If you already have the latest driver installed, you do not need to download this support package.

If you do not have the NI-845x driver installed, see "Install the NI-845x I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-8 to install it.

# **Using Device Objects**

This chapter describes specific features and actions related to using device objects.

- "Device Objects" on page 11-2
- "Creating and Connecting Device Objects" on page 11-5
- "Communicating with Instruments" on page 11-8
- "Device Groups" on page 11-12

# **Device Objects**

#### In this section...

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"What Are Device Objects?" on page 11-2

"Device Objects for MATLAB Instrument Drivers" on page 11-3

#### Overview

All instruments attached to your computer must communicate through an interface. Popular interface protocols include GPIB, VISA, RS-232 (serial), and RS-485 (serial). While Instrument Control Toolbox interface objects allow you to communicate with your equipment at a low (instrument command) level, Instrument Control Toolbox also allows you to communicate with your equipment without detailed knowledge of how the hardware interface operates.

Programmable devices understand a specific language, sometimes referred to as its command set. One common set is called SCPI (Standard Commands for Programmable Instruments).

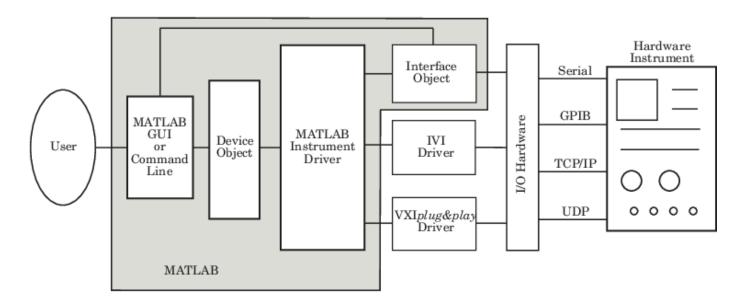
Device objects allow you to configure and guery an instrument without knowledge of its command set. This section covers the basic functionality of device objects that use MATLAB instrument drivers.

If your application is straightforward, or if you are already familiar with the topics mentioned above, you might want to begin with "Creating and Connecting Device Objects" on page 11-5. If you want a high-level description of all the steps you are likely to take when communicating with your instrument, refer to the Getting Started documentation that is linked to from the top of the main Instrument Control Toolbox Doc Center page.

### What Are Device Objects?

Device objects are used to represent instruments in MATLAB workspace. Properties and methods specific to an instrument are encapsulated within device objects. Device objects also free you from the specific underlying commands required to communicate with your hardware.

You can use device objects at the MATLAB Command Window, inside functions, scripts, and graphical user interface callbacks. The low-level communication is performed through a MATLAB instrument driver.



### **Device Objects for MATLAB Instrument Drivers**

There are three types of MATLAB instrument drivers:

- MATLAB interface instrument driver
- MATLAB IVI instrument driver
- MATLAB VXI*plug&play* instrument driver
- Generic instrument driver

Instrument Control Toolbox device objects support all these types of MATLAB drivers, so that by using a device object, you can interface with any of these drivers in the same way. However, each of these drivers interfaces differently with the hardware. While MATLAB IVI and MATLAB VXI*plug&play* drivers interface directly through standard drivers and the hardware port to the instrument, the MATLAB interface driver requires an interface object to communicate with the instrument. You can use generic drivers to communicate with devices or software. For more information on generic drivers, see "Generic Drivers: Overview" on page 15-2.

The Instrument Control Toolbox software supports the following interface objects:

- gpib
- serial
- tcpip
- udp
- visa

To learn how to create and use interface objects, see "Create Interface Object" on page 3-2.

**Note** If you are using an interface object with a device object and a MATLAB interface driver, you do not need to connect the interface object to the interface using the fopen command. You need to connect the device object only.

#### **Available MATLAB Instrument Drivers**

Several drivers ship with the Instrument Control Toolbox software. You can find these drivers by looking in the directory

matlabroot\toolbox\instrument\instrument\drivers

where matlabroot is the MATLAB installation directory, as seen when you type

matlabroot

at the MATLAB Command Window.

Many other drivers are available on the MathWorks Web site at

https://www.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/fileexchange

including drivers specifically for the Instrument Control Toolbox software.

# **Creating and Connecting Device Objects**

#### In this section...

"Device Objects for MATLAB Interface Drivers" on page 11-5

"Device Objects for VXIplug&play and IVI Drivers" on page 11-6

"Connecting the Device Object" on page 11-6

### **Device Objects for MATLAB Interface Drivers**

Create a MATLAB device object to communicate with a Tektronix TDS 210 Oscilloscope. To communicate with the scope you will use a National Instruments GPIB controller.

First create an interface object for the GPIB hardware. The following command creates a GPIB object for a National Instruments GPIB board at index 0 with an instrument at primary address 1.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
```

2 Now that you have created the interface object, you can construct a device object that uses it. The command to use is icdevice. You need to supply the name of the instrument driver, tektronix\_tds210, and the interface object created for the GPIB controller, g.

```
d = icdevice('tektronix_tds210', g);
```

You can use the whos command to display the size and class of d.

```
whos d
Name Size Bytes Class

d 1x1 652 icdevice object
```

Grand total is 22 elements using 652 bytes

#### **Device Object Properties**

A device object has a set of base properties and a set of properties defined by the driver. All device objects have the same base properties, regardless of the driver being used. The driver properties are defined by the driver specified in the icdevice constructor.

#### **Device Object Display**

Device objects provide you with a convenient display that summarizes important object information. You can invoke the display in these ways:

- Type the name of the device object at the command line.
- Exclude the semicolon when creating the device object.
- Exclude the semicolon when configuring properties using dot notation.
- Pass the object to the disp or display function.

The display summary for device object d is given below.

Instrument Device Object Using Driver : tektronix\_tds210.mdd

 Manufacturer: Tektronix Model: **TDS210** 

Driver Information

DriverType: MATLAB interface object DriverName: tektronix tds210.mdd

DriverVersion: 1.0

Communication State

Status: open

You can also display summary information via the Workspace browser by right-clicking a device object and selecting **Display Summary** from the context menu.

### Device Objects for VXIplug&play and IVI Drivers

#### Creating the MATLAB Instrument Driver

The command-line function makemid creates a MATLAB instrument driver from a VXIplug&play or IVI-C driver, saving the new driver in a file on disk. The syntax is

```
makemid('driver','filename')
```

where driver is the original VXIplug&play or IVI-C driver name (identified by instrhwinfo or the Test & Measurement Tool), and filename is the file containing the newly created MATLAB instrument driver. See the makemid reference page for a full description of the function and all its options.

You can open the new driver in the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor, and then modify and save it as required.

#### **Creating the Device Object**

After you create the MATLAB instrument driver by conversion, you create the device object with the filename of the new driver as an argument for icdevice.

For example, if the driver is created from a VXIplug&play or IVI-C driver,

```
obj = icdevice('ConvertedDriver.mdd','GPIB0::2::INSTR')
```

### Connecting the Device Object

Now that you have created the device object, you can connect it to the instrument with the connect function. To connect the device object, d, created in the last example, use the following command:

```
connect(d);
```

By default, the property settings are updated to reflect the current state of the instrument. You can modify the instrument settings to reflect the device object's property values by passing an optional update parameter to connect. The update parameter can be either object or instrument. To have the instrument updated to the object's property values, the connect function from the previous example would be

```
connect(d, 'instrument');
```

If connect is successful, the device object's status property is set to open; otherwise it remains as closed. You can check the status of this property with the get function or by looking at the object display.

d.status

ans =

open

# **Communicating with Instruments**

```
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"Configuring Instrument Settings" on page 11-8
"Calling Device Object Methods" on page 11-9
"Control Commands" on page 11-10
```

### **Configuring Instrument Settings**

Once a device object has been created and connected, it can be used as the interface to an instrument. This chapter shows you how to access and configure your instrument's settings, as well as how to read and write data to the instrument.

Every device object contains properties specific to the instrument it represents. These properties are defined by the instrument driver used during device object creation. For example, there may be properties for an oscilloscope that allow you to adjust trigger parameters, or the contrast of the screen display.

Properties are assigned default values at device object creation. On execution of connect the object is updated to reflect the state of the instrument or vice versa, depending on the second argument given to connect.

You can obtain a full listing of configurable properties by calling the set command and passing the device object.

#### Configuring Settings on an Oscilloscope

This example illustrates how to configure an instrument using a device object.

The instrument used is a Tektronix TDS 210 two-channel oscilloscope. A square wave is input into channel 1 of the oscilloscope. The task is to adjust the scope's settings so that triggering occurs on the falling edge of the signal:

**Create the device object** — Create a GPIB interface object, and then a device object for a TDS 210 oscilloscope.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
d = icdevice('tektronix tds210', g);
```

**Connect the device object** — Use the connect function to connect the device object to the instrument.

```
connect(d);
```

Check the current Slope settings for the Trigger property— Create a variable to represent the Trigger property and then use the get function to obtain the current value for the oscilloscope Slope setting.

```
dtrigger = get(d, 'Trigger');
dtrigger.Slope
ans =
```

rising

The Slope is currently set to rising.

**4 Change the Slope setting** — If you want triggering to occur on the falling edge, you need to modify that setting in the device object. This can be accomplished with the set command.

```
dtrigger.Slope = 'falling');
```

This changes Slope to falling.

**5 Disconnect and clean up** — When you no longer need the device object, disconnect it from the instrument and remove it from memory. Remove the device object and interface object from the MATLAB workspace.

```
disconnect(d);
delete(d);
clear d g dtrigger;
```

### **Calling Device Object Methods**

Device objects contain methods specific to the instruments they represent. Implementation details are hidden behind a single function. Instrument-specific functions are defined in the MATLAB instrument driver.

The methods function displays all available driver-defined functions for the device object. The display is divided into two sections:

- Generic object functions
- · Driver-specific object functions

To view the available methods, type

```
methods(obj)
```

Use the instrhelp function to get help on the device object functions.

```
instrhelp(obj, methodname);
```

To call instrument-specific methods you use the <code>invoke</code> function. <code>invoke</code> requires the device object and the name of the function. You must also provide input arguments, when appropriate. The following example demonstrates how to use <code>invoke</code> to obtain measurement data from an oscilloscope.

#### **Using Device Object Functions**

This example illustrates how to call an instrument-specific device object function. Your task is to obtain the frequency measurement of a waveform. The instrument is a Tektronix TDS 210 two-channel oscilloscope.

The scope has been preconfigured with a square wave input into channel 1 of the oscilloscope. The hardware supports four different measurements: frequency, mean, period, and peak-to-peak. The requested measurement is signified with the use of an index variable from 1 to 4.

For demonstration purposes, the oscilloscope in this example has been preconfigured with the correct measurement settings:

**1** Create the device object — Create a GPIB interface object and a device object for the oscilloscope.

```
q = qpib('ni', 0, 1);
d = icdevice('tektronix_tds210', g);
```

**2** Connect the device object — Use the connect command to open the GPIB object and update the settings in the device object.

```
connect(d);
```

**3 Obtain the frequency measurement** — Use the invoke command and call measure. The measure function requires that an index parameter be specified. The value of the index specifies which measurement the oscilloscope should return. For the current setup of the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope, an index of 1 indicates that frequency is to be measured.

```
invoke(d, 'measure', 1)
ans =
   999,9609
```

The frequency returned is 999.96 Hz, or nearly 1 kHz.

**Disconnect and clean up** — You no longer need the device object so you can disconnect it from the instrument. You should also delete it from memory and remove it from the MATLAB workspace.

```
disconnect(d);
delete(d):
clear d g;
```

### **Control Commands**

Control commands are special functions and properties that exist for all device objects. You use control commands to identify an instrument, reset hardware settings, perform diagnostic routines, and retrieve instrument errors. The set of control commands consists of

- "InstrumentModel" on page 11-10
- "devicereset" on page 11-11
- "selftest" on page 11-11
- "geterror" on page 11-11

All control commands are defined within the MATLAB instrument driver for your device.

#### InstrumentModel

InstrumentModel is a device object property. When queried, the instrument identification command is sent to the instrument.

For example, for a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope,

```
d.InstrumentModel
ans =
TEKTRONIX,TDS 210,0,CF:91.1CT FV:v2.03 TDS2MM:MMV:v1.04
```

#### devicereset

To restore the factory settings on your instrument, use the devicereset function. When devicereset is called, the appropriate reset instruction is sent to your instrument.

The command accepts a connected device object and has no output arguments.

```
devicereset(obj);
```

#### selftest

This command requests that your instrument perform a self-diagnostic. The actual operations performed and output arguments are specific to the instrument your device object is connected to. selftest accepts a connected device object as an input argument.

```
result = selftest(obj);
```

#### geterror

You can retrieve error messages generated by your instrument with the <code>geterror</code> function. The returned messages are instrument specific. <code>geterror</code> accepts a connected device object as an input argument.

```
msg = geterror(obj);
```

# **Device Groups**

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### **Working with Group Objects**

Device groups are used to group several related properties. For example, a channel group might contain the input channels of an oscilloscope, and the properties and methods specific to the input channels on the instrument.

MATLAB instrument drivers specify the type and quantity of device groups for device objects.

Group objects can be accessed via the get command. For the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope, there is a channel group that contains two group objects. The device property to access a group is always the group name.

```
chans = get(d, 'Channel')
   HwIndex:
                HwName:
                            Type:
                                              Name:
                CH1
                            scope-channel
                                              Channel1
   2
                CH2
                            scope-channel
                                              Channel 2
```

To display the functions that a device group object supports, use the methods function.

```
methods(chans(1))
```

You can also display a list of the group object's properties and their current settings.

```
chans(2)
```

To get help on a driver-specific property or function, use the instrhelp function, with the name of the function or property.

```
instrhelp(chans(1), 'Coupling')
```

## **Using Device Groups to Access Instrument Data**

This example shows how to obtain waveform data from a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope with a square wave signal input on channel 1, on a Windows machine. The methods used are specific to this instrument:

**Create and connect** — First, create the device object for the oscilloscope and then connect to the instrument.

```
s = serial('com1');
d = icdevice('tektronix_tds210', s);
connect(d);
```

**Get the device group** — To retrieve waveform data, first gain access to the Waveform group for the device object.

```
w = d.waveform;
```

This group is specific for the hardware you are using. The TDS 210 oscilloscope has one Waveform; therefore the group contains one group object.

HwIndex: HwName: Type: Name:
1 Waveform1 scope-waveform Waveform1

**3 Obtain the waveform** — Now that you have access to the Waveform group objects, you can call the readwaveform function to acquire the data. For this example, channel 1 of the oscilloscope is reading the signal. To access this channel, call readwaveform on the first channel.

```
wave = invoke(w, 'readwaveform', 'channel1');
```

**4 View the data** — The wave variable now contains the waveform data from the oscilloscope. Use the plot command to view the data.

```
plot(wave);
```

**Disconnect and clean up** — Once the task is done, disconnect the hardware and free the memory used by the objects.

```
disconnect(d)
delete([d s])
clear d, s, w, wave;
```

# **Using VXI***plug&play* **Drivers**

This chapter describes the use of VXIplug&play drivers for instrument control. The sections are as follows.

- "VXIplug&play Setup" on page 12-2
- "VXIplug&play Drivers" on page 12-3

# VXIplug&play Setup

```
In this section...
"Instrument Control Toolbox Software and VXIplug&play Drivers" on page 12-2
"VISA Setup" on page 12-2
"Other Software Requirements" on page 12-2
```

#### Instrument Control Toolbox Software and VXIplug&play Drivers

The Instrument Control Toolbox software can communicate with hardware using VXIplug&play drivers. Most often, the instrument manufacturers supply these drivers.

For definitions and specifications of VXIplug&play drivers, see the IVI Foundation website.

#### VISA Setup

A system must have VISA installed in order for VXIplug&play drivers to work. The driver installer software might specify certain VISA or other connectivity requirements.

To determine whether your system is properly configured with the necessary version of VISA, at the MATLAB Command window, type:

```
instrhwinfo visa
ans =
    InstalledAdaptors: {'agilent'}
       JarFileVersion: 'Version 2.0 (R14)'
```

The cell array returned for InstalledAdaptors indicates which VISA software is installed. A 1x0 cell array indicates that no VISA is installed. Possible InstalledAdaptors values are keysight (note that agilent also still works), tek, rs, and ni.

If you do not have VISA installed, you need to install it. The software installation disk provided with your instrument might include VISA along with the instrument's VXI*plug&play* driver, or you might be able to download VISA from the instrument manufacturer's Web site.

## Other Software Requirements

An instrument driver can have other software requirements in addition to or instead of VISA. Consult the driver documentation. The installer software itself might specify these requirements.

# VXIplug&play Drivers

#### In this section...

"Installing VXIplug&play Drivers" on page 12-3

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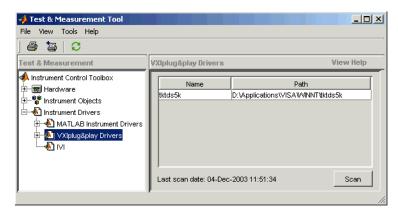
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#### **Installing VXIplug&play Drivers**

The VXI*plug&play* driver particular to a piece of equipment is usually provided by the equipment manufacturer as either an installation disk or as a Web download. Once the driver is installed, you can determine whether the configuration is visible to MATLAB software by using the Test & Measurement Tool to view the current driver installations. Open the tool by typing:

tmtool

Expand the Instrument Drivers node and click VXIplug&play Drivers. Click the **Scan** button to update the display. All installed VXIplug&play drivers will be listed.



Alternatively, you can use the function instrhwinfo to find out which drivers are installed.

```
instrhwinfo ('vxipnp')
ans =
    InstalledDrivers: {'tktds5k', 'ag3325b', 'hpe363xa'}
    VXIPnPRootPath: 'C:\VXIPNP\WINNT'
```

The cell array returned for InstalledDrivers contains the names of all the installed VXI*plug&play* drivers. The string returned for VXIPnPRootPath indicates where the drivers are installed.

## Creating a MATLAB VXIplug&play Instrument Driver

To use a VXI*plug&play* driver with a device object, you must have a MATLAB VXI*plug&play* instrument driver based upon the information in the original VXI*plug&play* driver. The MATLAB VXI*plug&play* instrument driver, whether modified or not, acts as a wrapper to the VXI*plug&play* driver. You can download or create the MATLAB instrument driver.

#### Downloading a Driver from the MathWorks website

You might find an appropriate MATLAB driver wrapper for your instrument from the VXIplug&play page on the MathWorks website. You can search for the driver you need or you can submit a request to MathWorks for your particular driver.

To use the downloaded MATLAB VXIplug&play driver, you must also have the instrument's VXI*pluq&play* driver installed. This driver is probably available from the instrument manufacturer's website.

#### Creating a Driver with makemid

The command-line function makemid creates a MATLAB VXIplua&play instrument driver from a VXI*plug&play* driver, saving the new driver in a file on disk. The syntax is

```
makemid('driver','filename')
```

where driver is the original VXIplug&play instrument driver name (identified by instrhwinfo), and filename is the file containing the resulting MATLAB instrument driver. See the makemid reference page for details on this function.

If you need to customize the driver, open the new driver in the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor, modify it as required, and save it.

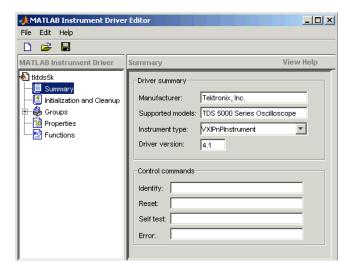
**Note** When you create a MATLAB instrument driver based on a VXI*plug&play* driver, the original driver must remain installed on your system for you to use the new MATLAB instrument driver.

#### Importing with the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor (midedit)

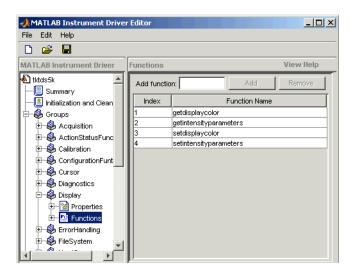
The MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor can import a VXIpluq&play driver, thereby creating a MATLAB VXIpluq&play instrument driver. You can evaluate or set the driver's functions and properties, and you can save the modified MATLAB instrument driver for further use:

- 1 Open the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor with midedit.
- 2 Select **File > Import**.
- In the Import Driver dialog box, select the VXIplug&play driver that you want to import and click Import.

The MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor loads the driver and displays the components of the driver, as shown in the following figures.



#### MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor Showing tktds5k MATLAB Instrument Driver Summary



#### tktds5k MATLAB Instrument Driver Display Group Functions

With the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor, you can:

- Create, delete, modify, and rename properties, functions, or groups.
- Add code around instrument commands for analysis.
- · Add create, connect, and disconnect code.
- Save the driver as a MATLAB VXI*plug&play* instrument driver.

For more information, see "MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor Overview" on page 18-2.

**Note** When you create a MATLAB instrument driver based on a VXI*plug&play* driver, the original driver must remain installed on your system for you to use the new MATLAB instrument driver.

#### Constructing Device Objects Using a MATLAB VXIplug&play Instrument **Driver**

Once you have the MATLAB VXIplua&play instrument driver, you create the device object with the file name of the driver and a VISA resource name as arguments for icdevice. For example:

```
obj = icdevice('MATLABVXIpnpDriver.mdd','GPIB0::2::INSTR')
connect(obi)
```

See the icdevice reference page for full details about this function.

#### Creating Shared Libraries or Standalone Applications When Using IVI-C or VXI

When using IVI-C or VXIplug&play drivers, executing your code will generate additional file(s) in the folder specified by executing the following code at the MATLAB prompt:

```
sprintf('%s',[tempdir 'ICTDeploymentFiles'])
```

On all supported platforms, a file with the name MATLABPrototypeFor<driverName>.m is generated, where <driverName> the name of the IVI-C or VXIplug&play driver. With 64-bit MATLAB on Windows, a second file by the name <driverName> thunk pcwin64.dll is generated. When creating your deployed application or shared library, manually include these generated files. For more information on including additional files refer to the MATLAB Compiler documentation.

# **Using IVI Drivers**

This chapter describes the use of IVI drivers for instrument control.

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# Install Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers

To use the ividev interface to connect to your instruments, you must install the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers.

#### Requirements

The Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers is supported only on Windows machines.

Install the following software before using the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers.

- IVI Shared Components
- NI™ IVI Compliance Package
- NI LabWindows<sup>™</sup>/CVI
- VISA
- · Required IVI drivers for your instrument

Then, you can download and install the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers from the MATLAB Add-On Explorer.

#### **Verify IVI Shared Components**

Many driver elements are common to a wide variety of instruments and not contained in the driver itself. You install them separately as *shared components*. Sharing components keeps the drivers as small and interchangeable as possible. You can use instrhwinfo to determine whether you installed shared components on your system.

ConfigurationServerVersion, MasterConfigurationStore, and IVIRootPath all convey information related to installed shared components. ConfigurationServerVersion indicates whether you installed IVI shared components. If its value is an empty character vector, then you have not installed shared components.

#### **Verify IVI Drivers**

The instrument manufacturer usually provides the specific IVI driver. Required VISA software and IVI shared components can also come with the driver.

You can use ividriverlist to find information about installed IVI drivers.

```
driverList = ividriverlist
```

driverList =
 15×4 table

	VendorDriver	MATLABDriver	IVIClass		
1	"AgInfiniiVision"	"AgInfiniiVision"	"IVIScope"	{ [ "C7302"	"C7302C
2	"IviACPwr"	"IviACPwr"	"IVIACPwr"	{[""	
3	"IviCounter"	"IviCounter"	"IVICounter"	{[""	
4	"IviDCPwr"	"IviDCPwr"	"IVIDCPwr"	{[""	
5	"IviDigitizer"	"IviDigitizer"	"IVIDigitizer"	{[""	
6	"IviDmm"	"IviDmm"	"IVIDmm"	{[""	
7	"IviDownconverter"	"IviDownconverter"	"IVIDownconverter"	{[""	
8	"IviFgen"	"IviFgen"	"IVIFgen"	{[""	
9	"IviPwrMeter"	"IviPwrMeter"	"IVIPwrMeter"	{[""	
10	"IviRfSigGen"	"IviRfSigGen"	"IVIRfSigGen"	{[""	
11	"IviScope"	"IviScope"	"IVIScope"	{[""	
12	"IviSpecAn"	"IviSpecAn"	"IVISpecAn"	{[""	
13	"IviSwtch"	"IviSwtch"	"IVISwtch"	{[""	
14	"IviUpconverter"	"IviUpconverter"	"IVIUpconverter"	{[""	
15	"tktds1k2k"	"tktds1k2k"	"IVIScope"	{["TB21042"	"TBS10

The VendorDriver and MATLABDriver columns identify each installed driver. You must use MATLABDriver as an input to create an ividev object. If MATLABDriver is empty for a driver, you can not create an ividev object for that driver. The IVIClass and SupportedModels columns provide additional information about the driver.

#### **See Also**

ividriverlist|ividevlist|ividev

# **Related Examples**

• "Supported IVI Drivers" on page 13-6

# **Use IVI-C Class-Compliant Drivers**

The IVI-C class-compliant MATLAB drivers provide an interface to MATLAB for instruments running on IVI-C class-compliant drivers. For a list of supported IVI-C class-compliant drivers, see "Supported IVI Drivers" on page 13-6.

This example uses a specific instrument, a Keysight MSO6104A oscilloscope. This feature works with any IVI-C class-compliant instrument. You can follow the basic steps, using your particular instrument if the device is IVI-C class-compliant.

#### **Prerequisites**

To use the driver you must have the following software installed.

- Windows 64-bit
- VISA shared components
- VISA (The following example uses Keysight VISA, but you can use any version of VISA.)
- National Instruments compliance package NICP 4.1
- Your instrument driver
- Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers

You can use instrhwinfo to confirm that these software modules are installed.

% Save the changes to the IVI configuration store data file.

```
instrhwinfo('ivi')
```

## Read Waveforms Using the IVI-C Class-Compliant Interface

This example shows the general workflow to use with an IVI-C class-compliant device. This example uses a Keysight MSO6104A oscilloscope. This feature works with any IVI-C class-compliant instrument. You can follow the basic steps using your particular instrument if it is IVI-C class-compliant.

- **1** Ensure all necessary software is installed. See "Prerequisites" on page 13-4 for the list.
- 2 Ensure that your instrument is recognized by the VISA utility. In this case, open Keysight Connectivity Expert and make sure it recognizes the oscilloscope.
- 3 Set up the logical name using the Configuration Store. The VISA resource string shown in this code was acquired from the VISA utility in step 2.

```
% Construct a configStore.
configStore = iviconfigurationstore;
% Set up the hardware asset called myScopeHWAsset, and resource description TCPIP0::a-m6104a-
add(configStore, 'HardwareAsset', 'myScopeHWAsset', 'TCPIP0::a-m6104a-004598::INSTR');
% Add a driver session called myScopeSession, and use the asset created in the step above. Ag
add(configStore, 'DriverSession', 'myScopeSession', 'Ag546XX', 'myScopeHWAsset');
% Add a logical name to the configStore called myScope and driver session called myScopeSession'
add(configStore, 'LogicalName', 'myScope', 'myScopeSession');
```

```
commit(configStore);
% You can verify that the steps you just performed worked.
logicalNameInfo = instrhwinfo('ivi', 'myscope')
```

For more information about the configuration store, see "IVI Configuration Store" on page 13-12

**4** Connect to the instrument.

```
dev = ividev("IviScope", "myScope", "IDQuery", true, "ResetDevice", true);
```

**5** Communicate with the instrument. For example, read a waveform.

```
% Reset the instrument to a known state and automatically configure the measurement parameter
reset(dev)
autoSetup(dev);
% Create a record length variable.
recordLength = actualRecordLength(dev)
% Read a waveform with channel name set to channell and timeout to 1000.
waveformArray = readWaveform(dev, "Channell", recordLength, 1000)
% Plot the waveform and assign labels for the plot.
plot(waveformArray);
xlabel("Samples");
ylabel("Voltage");
```

After configuring the instrument and retrieving its data, close the session and remove it from the workspace.

```
clear dev
```

## **IVI-C Class-Compliant Drivers in Test & Measurement Tool**

You can also use the IVI-C Class-Compliant Drivers functionality from the Test & Measurement Tool. View the IVI-C nodes by setting a preference in MATLAB.

- In MATLAB, on the **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Preferences**. Then select **Instrument Control** in the Preferences dialog box.
- 2 Select the **Show IVI Instruments in TMTool** option in the **IVI Instruments** section.

If you do not have the required software installed, you will get a message indicating that. See "Prerequisites" on page 13-4 for the list of required software.

3 Start the Test & Measurement Tool (using the tmtool function), and the new IVI Instruments node appears under Instrument Drivers.

For information on using it in the Test & Measurement Tool, see the Help within the tool by selecting the **IVI Instruments** node in the tree once it is visible after setting the MATLAB preference.

#### See Also

iviconfigurationstore | ividev

# **Supported IVI Drivers**

The following drivers are supported by the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers. To use these drivers with ividev, you must also install the driver for your instrument from the vendor. The support package contains only the corresponding MATLAB driver.

List IVI-C and VXI*plug&play* drivers installed on your computer by using the ividriverlist function. Refer to the vendor driver documentation to determine if your instrument is supported.

## **IVI Class-Compliant Drivers**

Vendor	Driver Name
NI	IviScope
NI	IviFgen
NI	IviRFSigGen
NI	IviSpecAn
NI	IviDmm
NI	IviACPwr
NI	IviDCPwr
NI	IviCounter
NI	IviDigitizer
NI	IviPwrMeter
NI	IviSwtch
NI	IviDownconverter
NI	IviUpconverter

## **Oscilloscope Drivers**

Vendor	Driver Name
Keysight	AgInfiniium
Keysight	AgInfiniiVision
Tektronix	tktds1k2k
Tektronix	tkds30xx
Tektronix	tktds5000
LeCroy®	lcltxxxx
Yokogawa	ykdl9000

#### **Function Generator Drivers**

Vendor	Driver Name
Keysight	Ag3352x

Vendor	Driver Name
Tektronix	tkafg3k
Tektronix	tkawg5k7k

# **RF Signal Generator Drivers**

Vendor	Driver Name
Keysight	AgRfSigGen
Keysight	KtAgileSigGen
Keysight	AgM938x

# **Spectrum Analyzer Drivers**

Vendor	Driver Name
Keysight	AgXSAn
Rohde & Schwarz	rsspecan

#### **See Also**

ividriverlist|ividevlist|ividev

## **Related Examples**

• "Install Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers" on page 13-2

# **Transition Your Code to ividey Interface**

#### **Discover Installed IVI-C Drivers**

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>driversInfo = ivinstrhwinfo('ivi'); driversInfo.Modules</pre>	list = ividriverlist
	list = ividevlist

Use ividriverlist to view a list of installed IVI-C and VXIplug&play drivers installed on your computer and their corresponding MATLAB drivers. Use ividevlist to view a list of physically connected hardware and their drivers.

#### **Create MATLAB Instrument Driver**

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>makemid('AgInfiniiVision','AgInfiniiVision.</pre>	You'do not need to create the MATLAB
	instrument driver. These drivers are included
	with the Instrument Control Toolbox Support
	Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers.

#### **Connect to Instrument**

Functionality	Use This Instead	
<pre>dev = icdevice('AgInfiniiVision.mdd','USB0 connect(dev);</pre>	dev2A8ividev380g16N50216/227on0;"UNSOR:Dx2A8	D::0x0386:
	You do not need to call the connect function.	
disconnect(dev) clear dev	clear dev	
	You do not need to call the disconnect function.	

## **Connect to IVI-C Class-Compliant Instrument**

Functionality	Use This Instead	
<pre>% myScope is the logical name in the ivicor dev = instrument.ivic.IviScope(); dev.init('myScope',true,true);</pre>	<pre>%igny6æbpensisoteleodbpgctal name in the ivicor dev = ividev("IviScope", "myScope", "IDQuery"</pre>	

## **Get Instrument Properties**

Functionality	Use This Instead	
<pre>get(dev,'Inherentiviattributesdriveridenti</pre>	dewtInherentIVIAttributes.DriverIdentificat	ion

You can explore your instrument's properties by using dot notation and tab-complete in the MATLAB Command Window. You can also click on the links from the ividev object output display.

#### **Invoke Instrument Methods**

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>configuration = dev.Configuration; invoke(configuration, 'autosetup')</pre>	<pre>autosetup(dev);</pre>

# **Use Repeated Capabilities**

Functionality	Use This Instead
	<pre>dev.Channel("Channel1").InputImpedance = 50 dev.Channel("Channel2").InputImpedance = 50</pre>
<pre>dev.RepCapIdentifier = 'Channel2'; dev.Channel.Input_Impedance = 50;</pre>	

# **Read Waveform from Oscilloscope**

Functionality	Use This Instead	
<pre>recordLength = dev.Acquisition.Horizontal_F</pre>	<b>ኖecodd_Length</b> ;= actualRecordLength(dev)	
	[waveformArray,actualPoints,initialX,xIncre	ment] = re
[waveformArray,actualPoints,initialX,xIncre		
ReadWaveform('Channell', recordLength,	Ybolooo, nootune feethood proceyallocate an array for the	
	waveform.	

## See Also

ividriverlist|ividevlist|ividev

#### **IVI Drivers Overview**

Instrument Control Toolbox communicates with instruments using Interchangeable Virtual Instrument (IVI) drivers. The toolbox also supports IVI-C drivers, provided by various instrument manufacturers.

For definitions and specifications of IVI drivers and their components, see the IVI Foundation website.

#### **IVI-C**

Instrument Control Toolbox supports IVI-C drivers, with class-compliant and instrument-specific functionality.

IVI class-compliant drivers support common functionality across a family of related instruments. Use class-compliant drivers to access the basic functionality of an instrument, and the ability to swap instruments without changing the code in your application. With an IVI instrument-specific driver or interface, you can access the unique functionality of the instrument. The instrument-specific driver generally does not accommodate instrument substitution.

For IVI-C drivers, you can use IVI-C class drivers and IVI-C specific drivers. Device objects you construct to call IVI-C class drivers offer interchangeability between similar instruments, and work with all instruments consistent with that class driver. Device objects you construct to call IVI-C specific drivers directly generally offer less interchangeability, but provide access to the unique methods and properties of a specific instrument.

#### Instrument Interchangeability

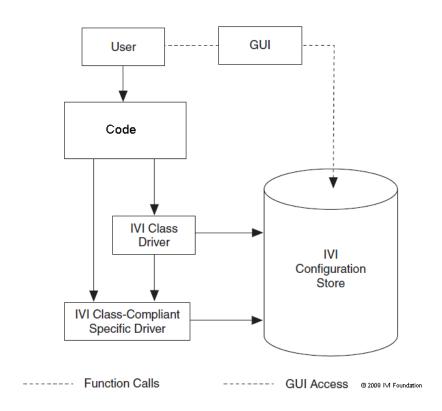
With IVI class-compliant drivers, you can exchange instruments with minimal code changes. You can write your code for an instrument from one manufacturer and then swap it for the same type of instrument from another manufacturer. After editing the configuration file that identifies a new instrument, driver, and the hardware address, you can run your code without modifying it.

To use the interchangeability of IVI effectively:

- Install drivers for both instruments of the same type (IVI-C).
- Ensure that both drivers implement the same instrument class. For example, both must conform to the requirements for IviDmm or IviScope.
- When using IVI-C, your program needs a Class Driver that instantiates the Class-Compliant Specific Driver and calls class-compliant functions in it.
- Ensure that your program does not call instrument-specific functions.

You can enhance your code to handle the differences between the instruments or drivers you are using. You can still use these instruments interchangeably.

The following diagram shows interchangeability between instruments using IVI-C drivers.



Using an IVI-C Class-Compliant Driver

## **See Also**

ividev

# **IVI Configuration Store**

#### **Benefits of IVI Configuration Store**

By providing a way to configure the relationship between drivers and I/O references, an IVI configuration store greatly enhances instrument interchangeability.

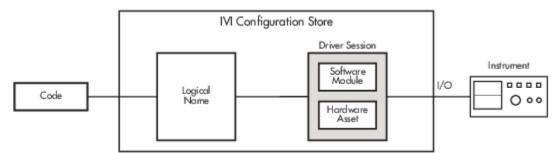
Suppose your code uses only a specified driver to communicate with one type of instrument at a fixed location. If you change the instrument model, instrument location, or driver, you would have to modify the code to accommodate that change.

An IVI configuration store offers the ability to accommodate different instrument models, drivers, or ports, without having to modify your code. This interchangeability is especially useful when you use code that cannot be easily modified.

#### **Components of IVI Configuration Store**

The components of an IVI configuration store identify:

- · Locations of the instruments to communicate with
- Software modules used to control the instruments
- Associations of software modules used with instruments at specific locations



Component	Description
Software module	A software module is instrument-specific, and contains the commands and functions necessary to communicate with the instrument. The instrument vendor commonly provides software modules, which you cannot edit from the MATLAB Command Window.
Hardware asset	A hardware asset identifies a communication port connected the instrument. Configure this component with an IOResourceDescriptor. Usually you have one hardware asset per connection location (protocol type, bus address, and so on).

Component	Description
Driver session	A driver session makes the association between a software module and a hardware asset. Generally, you have a driver session for each instrument at each of its possible locations.
	Identical instruments connected at different locations can use the same software module, but because they have different hardware assets, they require different driver sessions.
	Different kinds of instruments connected to the same location (at different times) use the same hardware asset, but can have different software modules. Therefore, they require different driver sessions.
Logical name	A logical name is a configuration store component that provides access to a driver session. You can interpret a logical name as a configurable pointer to a driver session. In a typical setup, the code communicates with an instrument via a logical name. If the code must communicate with a different instrument (for example, a similar scope at a different location), update only the logical name within the IVI configuration store to point to the new driver session. You need not rewrite any code because it uses the same logical name.

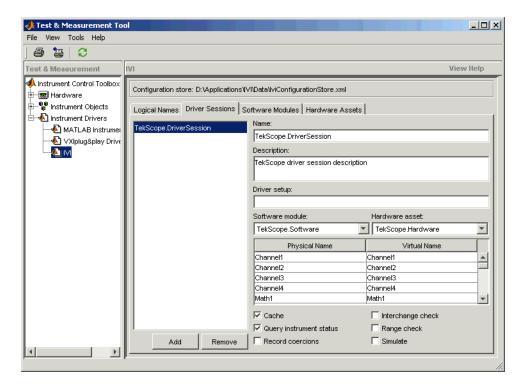
# **Configuring IVI Configuration Store**

#### Using the GUI

You can use the Test & Measurement Tool to examine or configure your IVI configuration store. Open the tool by typing:

tmtool

Expand the Instrument Drivers node and click IVI.



You see a tab for each type of IVI configuration store element. This figure shows the available driver sessions in the current IVI configuration store. For the selected driver session, you can use any available software module or hardware asset. This figure shows the configuration for the driver session TekScope.DriverSession, which uses the software module TekScope.Software and the hardware asset TekScope.Hardware.

#### **Using the Command Line**

Alternatively, you can use command-line functions to examine and configure your IVI configuration store. To see what IVI configuration store elements are available, use instrhwinfo to identify the existing logical names.

Use instrhwinfo with a logical name as an argument to see the details of the configuration.

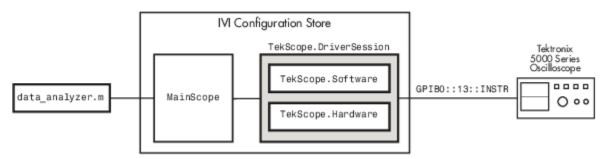
```
SupportedInstrumentModels: 'TekScope 5000, 6000 and 7000 series'
ModuleDescription: 'TekScope software module desc'
ModuleLocation: ''
```

You can use the command line to change the configuration store. Here is an example of changing it programmatically.

```
% Construct a configStore.
configStore = iviconfigurationstore;
% Set up the hardware asset with name myScopeHWAsset, and resource descriptor TCPIPO::a-m6104a-0/
add(configStore, 'HardwareAsset', 'myScopeHWAsset', 'TCPIPO::a-m6104a-004598::INSTR');
% Add a driver session with name myScopeSession, and use the asset created in the step above. Agd
add(configStore, 'DriverSession', 'myScopeSession', 'Ag546XX', 'myScopeHWAsset');
% Add a logical name to the configStore, with name myScope and driver session named myScopeSession
add(configStore, 'LogicalName', 'myScope', 'myScopeSession');
% Save the changes to the IVI configuration store data file.
commit(configStore);
% You can verify that the steps you just performed worked.
logicalNameInfo = instrhwinfo('ivi', 'myscope')
```

#### **Basic IVI Configuration Store**

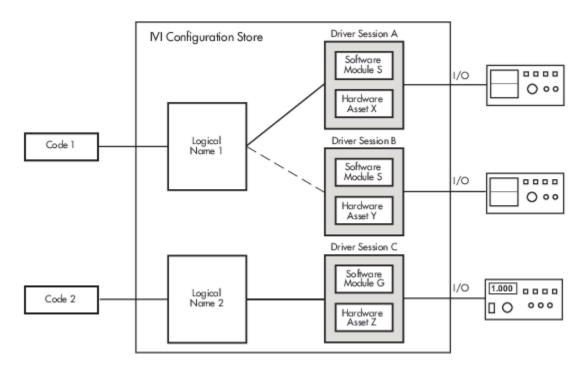
The following is an example of the configuration used by data analyzer.m.



Create and configure elements in the IVI configuration store using the IVI configuration store object functions add, commit, remove, and update.

#### **IVI Configuration Store with Several Interchangeable Elements**

The following figure shows an example of an IVI configuration store with several interchangeable components. **Code 1** requires access to the oscilloscopes at two different locations (hardware asset X and hardware asset Y). The scopes are similar, so they use the same software module S. Here, the scopes are at different locations (or the same scope connected to two different locations at different times). Therefore, each configuration requires its own driver session, in this example, driver session A and driver session B.



Write **Code 1** to access logical name 1. You configure the name in the IVI configuration store to access driver session A or driver session B (but not both at the same time). Because you select the driver session in the IVI configuration store, you need not alter the code to change access from one scope to the other.

#### **See Also**

iviconfigurationstore

## The Quick-Control Interfaces

The Quick-Control interfaces are used to control oscilloscopes, function generators, or RF signal generators that use an underlying IVI-C driver. You do not have to deal directly with the driver in these easy-to-use interfaces.

There are three Quick-Control interfaces:

- Quick-Control Oscilloscope
- · Quick-Control Function Generator
- Quick-Control RF Signal Generator

The Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces contains many of the components required for these interfaces. However, you can install the components independent of the support package. See the following for requirements for each interface.

- "Quick-Control Oscilloscope Requirements" on page 13-18
- "Quick-Control Function Generator Requirements" on page 13-27
- "Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Requirements" on page 13-37

# **Quick-Control Oscilloscope Requirements**

You can use the Quick-Control Oscilloscope for any oscilloscope that uses an underlying IVI-C driver. However, you do not have to directly deal with the underlying driver. You can also use it for Tektronix oscilloscopes. This oscilloscope object is an easy to use interface.

The documentation example uses a specific instrument, a Keysight MSO6104 oscilloscope. This feature works with any IVI-C class oscilloscope. You can follow the basic steps, using your particular instrument.

To use the Quick-Control Oscilloscope for an IVI-C scope, you must have the following software installed. Most components are installed by the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces. To install the support package, see "Install the National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces Support Package" on page 14-11.

- Windows 64-bit platforms
- VISA shared components (installed by the support package)
- VISA (installed by the support package)

Note, the examples use Keysight VISA, but you can use any version of VISA.

- National Instruments IVI compliance package NICP 4.1 or later (installed by the support package)
- Your instrument's device-specific driver. If you do not already have it, go to your instrument vendor's website and download the IVI-C driver for your specific instrument.

You can use instrhwinfo to confirm that the required software is installed.

% Check that the software is properly installed. instrhwinfo('ivi')

#### See Also

#### **Related Examples**

- "Read Waveforms Using the Quick-Control Oscilloscope" on page 13-19
- "Read a Waveform Using a Tektronix Scope" on page 13-21
- "Quick-Control Oscilloscope Functions" on page 13-23
- "Quick-Control Oscilloscope Properties" on page 13-25

# **Read Waveforms Using the Quick-Control Oscilloscope**

This example shows the general workflow to use for the Quick-Control Oscilloscope. This example uses a specific instrument, a Keysight MSO6104 oscilloscope. This feature works with any oscilloscope using an IVI-C driver. You can follow the basic steps using your particular scope. For use with a Tektronix scope, see Read Waveforms Using a Tektronix Scope.

- **1** Ensure all necessary software is installed. See "Quick-Control Oscilloscope Requirements" on page 13-18 for the list.
- 2 Ensure that your instrument is recognized by the VISA utility. In this case, open Keysight Connectivity Expert and make sure it recognizes the oscilloscope.
- **3** Create an instance of the oscilloscope.

```
% Instantiate an instance of the scope.
myScope = oscilloscope()
```

4 Discover available resources. A resource string is an identifier to the instrument. You must set it before connecting to the instrument.

```
% Find resources.
availableResources = resources(myScope)
```

This returns a resource string or an array of resource strings.

```
availableResources =
  TCPIP0::a-m6104a-004598.dhcp.mathworks.com::inst0::INSTR
```

**5** Connect to the scope.

If multiple resources are available, use the VISA utility to verify the correct resource and set it.

```
myScope.Resource = 'TCPIP0::a-m6104a-004598::inst0::INSTR';
% Connect to the scope.
connect(myScope);
```

**6** Configure the oscilloscope.

You can configure any of the scope's properties that are able to be set. In this example enable channel 1 and configure various acquisition settings as shown.

```
% Automatically configure the scope based on the input signal.
autoSetup(myScope);

% Set the acquisition time to 0.01 second.
myScope.AcquisitionTime = 0.01;

% Set the acquisition to collect 2000 data points.
myScope.WaveformLength = 2000;

% Set the trigger mode to normal.
myScope.TriggerMode = 'normal';

% Set the trigger level to 0.1 volt.
myScope.TriggerLevel = 0.1;

% Enable channel 1.
enableChannel(myScope, 'CH1');

% Set the vertical coupling to AC.
setVerticalCoupling (myScope, 'CH1', 'AC');
```

```
% Set the vertical range to 5.0. setVerticalRange (myScope, 'CH1', 5.0);
```

**7** Communicate with the instrument. For example, read a waveform.

In this example, the readWaveform function returns the waveform that was acquired using the front panel of the scope. The function can also initiate an acquisition on the enabled channel and then return the waveform after the acquisition. For examples on all the use cases for this function, see getWaveform.

```
% Acquire the waveform.
waveformArray = readWaveform(myScope);
% Plot the waveform and assign labels for the plot.
plot(waveformArray);
xlabel('Samples');
ylabel('Voltage');
```

**8** After configuring the instrument and retrieving its data, close the session and remove it from the workspace.

```
disconnect(myScope);
clear myScope;
```

For a list of supported functions for use with Quick-Control Oscilloscope, see "Quick-Control Oscilloscope Functions" on page 13-23.

#### See Also

#### **Related Examples**

- "Read a Waveform Using a Tektronix Scope" on page 13-21
- "Quick-Control Oscilloscope Functions" on page 13-23
- "Quick-Control Oscilloscope Properties" on page 13-25

# Read a Waveform Using a Tektronix Scope

Reading a waveform with a Tektronix scope using Quick-Control Oscilloscope is basically the same workflow as described in the Read Waveforms Using Quick-Control Oscilloscope example using a Keysight scope with VISA. But the resource and driver information is different.

If you use the resources function, instead of getting a VISA resource string as shown in step 4 of the previous example, you will get the interface resource of the Tektronix scope. For example:

```
% Find resources.
availableResources = resources(myScope)
```

This returns the interface resource information.

```
availableResources =
  GPIBO::AGILENT::7::10
```

Where gpib is the interface being used, keysight is the interface type for the adaptor that the Tektronix scope is connected to, and the numbers are interface constructor parameters.

If you use the drivers function, you get information about the driver and its supported instrument models. For example:

```
% Get driver information.
driverlist = drivers(myScope)
```

This returns the driver and instrument model information.

```
Driver: tekronix
Supported Models:
   TDS200, TDS1000, TDS2000, TDS1000B, TDS2000B, TPS2000
   TDS3000, TDS3000B, MS04000, DP04000, DP070000, DP07000B
```

This example shows the general workflow to use for the Quick-Control Oscilloscope for a Tektronix scope. This feature works with any supported oscilloscope model. You can follow the basic steps using your particular scope.

**1** Create an instance of the oscilloscope.

```
% Instantiate an instance of the scope.
myScope = oscilloscope()
```

2 Discover available resources. A resource string is an identifier to the instrument. You must set it before connecting to the instrument.

```
% Find resources.
availableResources = resources(myScope)
```

This returns a resource string or an array of resource strings.

```
availableResources =
  GPIBO::AGILENT::7::10
```

Where gpib is the interface being used, keysight is the interface type for the adaptor that the Tektronix scope is connected to, and the numbers are interface constructor parameters.

**3** Connect to the scope.

```
% Connect to the scope.
connect(myScope);
```

**4** Configure the oscilloscope.

You can configure any of the scope's properties that are able to be set. In this example enable channel 1 and set acquisition time as shown. You can see examples of other acquisition parameters in step 6 of the previous example.

```
% Set the acquisition time to 0.01 second.
myScope.AcquisitionTime = 0.01;
% Set the acquisition to collect 2000 data points.
set(myScope, 'WaveformLength', 2000);
% Enable channel 1.
enableChannel(myScope, 'CH1');
```

**5** Communicate with the instrument. For example, read a waveform.

In this example, the readWaveform function returns the waveform that was acquired using the front panel of the scope. The function can also initiate an acquisition on the enabled channel and then return the waveform after the acquisition. For examples on all the use cases for this function, see getWaveform.

```
% Acquire the waveform.
waveformArray = readWaveform(myScope);
% Plot the waveform and assign labels for the plot.
plot(waveformArray);
xlabel('Samples');
ylabel('Voltage');
```

**6** After configuring the instrument and retrieving its data, close the session and remove it from the workspace.

```
disconnect(myScope);
clear myScope;
```

For a list of supported functions for use with Quick-Control Oscilloscope, see "Quick-Control Oscilloscope Functions" on page 13-23.

#### See Also

## **Related Examples**

- "Read Waveforms Using the Quick-Control Oscilloscope" on page 13-19
- "Quick-Control Oscilloscope Functions" on page 13-23
- "Quick-Control Oscilloscope Properties" on page 13-25

# **Quick-Control Oscilloscope Functions**

The oscilloscope function can use the following special functions, in addition to standard functions such as connect and disconnect.

Function	Description
autoSetup	Automatically configures the instrument based on the input signal.
	autoSetup(myScope);
disableChannel	Disables the oscilloscope's channel(s).
	<pre>disableChannel(myScope, 'Channel1'); disableChannel(myScope, {'Channel1', 'Channel2'});</pre>
enableChannel	Enables the oscilloscope's channel(s) from which waveform(s) will be retrieved.
	<pre>enableChannel(myScope, 'Channell'); enableChannel(myScope, {'Channell', 'Channel2'});</pre>
drivers	Returns a list of available drivers with their supported instrument models.
	<pre>driverlist = drivers(myScope);</pre>
resources	Retrieves a list of available resources of instruments. It returns a list of available VISA resource strings when using an IVI-C scope. It returns the interface resource information when using a Tektronix scope.
	res = resources(myScope);
configureChannel	Returns or sets specified oscilloscope control on selected channel. Possible controls are:
	• 'VerticalCoupling'
	• 'VerticalOffset'
	• 'VeticalRange'
	• 'ProbeAttenuation'
	<pre>value = configureChannel(myScope, 'Channel1', 'VerticalOffset' configureChannel(myScope, 'Channel1', 'VerticalCoupling', 'AC')</pre>
getVerticalCoupling	Returns the value of how the oscilloscope couples the input signal for the selected channel name as a MATLAB character vector. Possible values returned are 'AC', 'DC', and 'GND'.
	<pre>VC = getVerticalCoupling (myScope, 'Channell');</pre>
getVerticalOffset	Returns the location of the center of the range for the selected channel name as a MATLAB character vector. The units are volts.
	VO = getVerticalOffset (myScope, 'Channel1');
getVerticalRange	Returns the absolute value of the input range the oscilloscope can acquire for selected channel name as a MATLAB character vector. The units are volts.
	<pre>VR = getVerticalRange (myScope, 'Channel1');</pre>

Function	Description
readWaveform	Returns the waveform(s) displayed on the scope screen. Retrieves the waveform(s) from enabled channel(s).
	<pre>w = readWaveform(myScope);</pre>
reset	Resets the device to factory default state.
	reset(myScope);
setVerticalCoupling	Specifies how the oscilloscope couples the input signal for the selected channel name as a MATLAB character vector. Values are 'AC', 'DC', and 'GND'.
	setVerticalCoupling (myScope, 'Channel1', 'AC');
setVerticalOffset	Specifies the location of the center of the range for the selected channel name as a MATLAB character vector. For example, to acquire a sine wave that spans from 0.0 to 10.0 volts, set this attribute to 5.0 volts.
	setVerticalOffset (myScope, 'Channel1', 5);
setVerticalRange	Specifies the absolute value of the input range the oscilloscope can acquire for the selected channel name as a MATLAB character vector. The units are volts.
	setVerticalRange (myScope, 'Channell', 10);

# **Quick-Control Oscilloscope Properties**

The Quick-Control Oscilloscope oscilloscope function can use the following properties.

Property	Description
ChannelNames	Read-only property that provides available channel names in a cell array.
ChannelsEnabled	Read-only property that provides currently enabled channel names in a cell array.
Status	Read-only property that indicates the communication status.
	Valid values are open or closed.
Timeout	Use to get or set a timeout value.
	Value cannot be negative number. Default is 10 seconds.
AcquisitionTime	Use to get or set acquisition time value. Used to control the time in seconds that corresponds to the record length.
	Value must be a positive, finite number.
AcquisitionStartDelay	Use to set or get the length of time in seconds from the trigger event to first point in waveform record.
	If positive, the first point in the waveform occurs after the trigger. If negative, the first point in the waveform occurs before the trigger.
TriggerMode	Use to set the triggering behavior. Values are:
	'normal' - the oscilloscope waits until the trigger the user specifies occurs.
	'auto' - the oscilloscope automatically triggers if the configured trigger does not occur within the oscilloscope's timeout period.
TriggerSlope	Use to set or get trigger slope value.
	Valid values are falling or rising.
TriggerLevel	Specifies the voltage threshold in volts for the trigger control.
TriggerSource	Specifies the source the oscilloscope monitors for a trigger. It can be channel name or other values.
Resource	Set up before connecting to instrument. Set with value of your instrument's resource string, for example:
	<pre>set(myScope, 'Resource',    'TCPIP0::a-m6104a-004598::inst0::INSTR');</pre>

Property	Description
DriverDetectionMode	Optionally used to set up criteria for connection.  Valid values are auto or manual. Default is auto. auto means you do not have to set a driver name before connecting to an instrument.
	If set to manual, a driver name must be provided before connecting.
Driver	Use only if set DriverDetectionMode to manual. Then use to give driver name. Only use if driver name cannot be figured out programmatically.

# **Quick-Control Function Generator Requirements**

You can use the Quick-Control Function Generator for any function generator that uses an underlying IVI-C driver. However, you do not have to directly deal with the underlying driver. This easy-to-use function generator, or fgen, is used for simplified fgen control and waveform generation.

Create the Quick-Control Function Generator object using the Instrument Control Toolbox fgen function. It simplifies controlling function generators and performs arbitrary waveform generations without dealing with the underlying drivers.

You can use the Quick-Control Function Generator for any function generator that uses an underlying IVI-C driver. However, you do not have to directly deal with the underlying driver. This fgen object is easy to use.

The documentation examples use a specific instrument, a Tektronix AFG 3022B function generator. This feature works with any instrument that has IVI-C fgen class drivers. You can follow the basic steps, using your particular instrument.

To use the Quick-Control Function Generator for an IVI-C fgen, ensure the following software is installed. Most components are installed by the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces. To install the support package, see "Install the National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces Support Package" on page 14-11.

- Windows 64-bit platforms
- VISA shared components (installed by the support package)
- VISA (installed by the support package)

Note, the examples use Keysight VISA, but you can use any vendor's implementation of VISA.

- National Instruments IVI compliance package NICP 4.1 or later (installed by the support package)
- Your instrument's device-specific driver. If you do not already have it, go to your instrument vendor's website and download the IVI-C driver for your specific instrument.

You can use instrhwinfo to confirm that the required software is installed.

% Check that the software is properly installed. instrhwinfo('ivi')

#### See Also

## Related Examples

- "Generate Standard Waveforms Using the Quick-Control Function Generator" on page 13-28
- "Generate Arbitrary Waveforms Using Quick-Control Function Generator" on page 13-30
- "Quick-Control Function Generator Functions" on page 13-32
- "Quick-Control Function Generator Properties" on page 13-34

# **Generate Standard Waveforms Using the Quick-Control Function Generator**

This example shows how to use the Quick-Control Function Generator to generate a standard waveform. To generate an arbitrary waveform, see Generate Arbitrary Waveforms Using Quick-Control Function Generator. Quick-Control Function Generator works with any function generator using an IVI-C driver as long as the instrument and the driver support the functionality. You can follow the basic steps using your particular function generator. This example uses Keysight VISA, but you can use any vendor's implementation of VISA.

In this example, an electronic test engineer wants to create a simple sine waveform to test the clock operating range of a digital circuit.

- **1** Ensure all necessary software is installed. See "Quick-Control Function Generator Requirements" on page 13-27 for the list.
- **2** Create an instance of the function generator.

```
% Instantiate an instance of the fgen.
myFGen = fgen();
```

3 Discover available resources. A resource string is an identifier to the instrument. You must set it before connecting to the instrument.

```
% Find resources.
availableResources = resources(myFGen)
```

This returns a resource string or an array of resource strings, for example:

```
ans =
ASRL::COM1
GPIB0::INTFC
GPIB0::10::INSTR
PXI0::MEMACC
TCPIP0::172.28.16.153::inst0::INSTR
TCPIP0::172.28.16.174::inst0::INSTR
```

**4** Set the resource for the function generator you want to communicate with.

```
myFGen.Resource = 'GPIB0::10::INSTR';
```

**5** Connect to the function generator.

```
connect(myFGen);
```

6 Specify the channel name from which the function generator produces the waveform.

```
selectChannel(myFGen, '1');
```

**7** Configure the function generator.

You can configure any of the instrument's properties that are settable. Configure the waveform to be a continuous sine wave and then configure various settings as shown.

```
% Set the type of waveform to a sine wave.
myFGen.Waveform = 'sine';
% Set the output mode to continuous.
myFGen.Mode = 'continuous';
```

```
% Set the load impedance to 50 Ohms.
myFGen.OutputImpedance = 50;
% Set the frequency to 2500 Hz.
myFGen.Frequency = 2500;
% Set the amplitude to 1.2 volts.
myFGen.Amplitude = 1.2;
% Set the offset to 0.4 volts.
myFGen.Offset = 0.4;
```

**8** Enable signal generation with the instrument, for example, output signals.

In this example, the enableOutput function enables the function generator to produce a signal that appears at the output connector.

```
% Enable the output of signals.
enableOutput(myFGen);
```

When you are done, disable the output.

```
% Disable the output of signals.
disableOutput(myFGen);
```

**9** After configuring the instrument and generating a signal, close the session and remove it from the workspace.

```
disconnect(myFGen);
clear myFgen;
```

For a list of supported functions for use with Quick-Control Function Generator, see "Quick-Control Function Generator Functions" on page 13-32.

#### See Also

## **Related Examples**

- "Generate Arbitrary Waveforms Using Quick-Control Function Generator" on page 13-30
- "Quick-Control Function Generator Functions" on page 13-32
- "Quick-Control Function Generator Properties" on page 13-34

# **Generate Arbitrary Waveforms Using Quick-Control Function Generator**

This example shows how to use Quick-Control Function Generator to generate an arbitrary waveform. To generate a standard waveform, see Generate Standard Waveforms Using Quick-Control Function Generator. Quick-Control Function Generator works with any function generator using an IVI-C driver as long as the instrument and the driver support the functionality. You can follow the basic steps using your particular function generator. This example uses Keysight VISA, but you can use any vendor's implementation of VISA.

In this example, an electronic design engineer wants to generate a complex waveform with MATLAB, then download them into the function/arbitrary waveform generator and output them one after the other, and then finally remove the downloaded waveforms afterward. In this example we are using the GPIB interface.

- **1** Ensure all necessary software is installed. See "Quick-Control Function Generator Requirements" on page 13-27 for the list.
- **2** Create an instance of the function generator.

```
% Instantiate an instance of the fgen.
myFGen = fgen();
```

**3** Set the resource.

```
myFGen.Resource = 'GPIB0::10::INSTR';
```

**4** Connect to the function generator.

```
connect(myFGen);
```

5 Specify the channel name from which the function generator produces the waveform.

```
selectChannel(myFGen, '1');
```

**6** Configure the function generator.

You can configure any of the instrument's properties that are settable. Configure the waveform to be a continuous arbitrary wave.

```
% Set the type of waveform to an arbitrary wave.
myFGen.Waveform = 'arb';
% Set the output mode to continuous.
myFGen.Mode = 'continuous';
```

7 Communicate with the instrument.

In this example, create the waveform, then download it to the function generator using the downloadWaveform function. Then enable the output using the enableOutput function, and then remove the waveform using the removeWaveform function.

```
% Create the waveform.
w1 = 1:0.001:2;
% Download the waveform to the function generator.
h1 = downloadWaveform (myFGen, w1);
% Enable the output.
enableOutput(myFGen);
```

When you are done, remove the waveforms.

```
% Remove the waveform.
removeWaveform(myFGen);
```

8 After communicating with the instrument, close the session and remove it from the workspace.

```
disconnect(myFGen);
clear myFgen;
```

For a list of supported functions for use with Quick-Control Function Generator, see "Quick-Control Function Generator Functions" on page 13-32.

# See Also

# **Related Examples**

- "Generate Standard Waveforms Using the Quick-Control Function Generator" on page 13-28
- "Quick-Control Function Generator Functions" on page 13-32
- "Quick-Control Function Generator Properties" on page 13-34

# **Quick-Control Function Generator Functions**

The fgen function uses the following functions, in addition to standard functions such as connect and disconnect.

Function	Description				
selectChannel	Specifies the channel name from which the function generator produces the waveform.				
	Example:				
	<pre>selectChannel(myFGen, '1');</pre>				
drivers	Returns a list of available function generator instrument drivers.				
	Example:				
	<pre>driverlist = drivers(myFGen);</pre>				
	See the note following this table about using a SCPI-based driver for Keysight function generators.				
resources	Retrieves a list of available instrument resources. It returns a list available VISA resource strings when using an IVI-C function generator.				
	Example:				
	<pre>res = resources(myFGen);</pre>				
selectWaveform	Specifies which arbitrary waveform the function generator produ				
	Example:				
	selectWaveform (myFGen, wh);				
	where wh is the waveform handle you are selecting.				
downloadWaveform	Downloads an arbitrary waveform to the function generator. If you provide an output variable, a waveform handle is returned. It can be used in the selectWaveform and removeWaveform functions.				
	If you don't provide an output variable, function generator overwrites the waveform when a new waveform is downloaded and deletes it upon disconnection.				
	Example:				
	% Download the following waveform to fgen $w = 1:0.001:2;$ downloadWaveform (myFGen, w);				
	<pre>% Download a waveform to fgen and return a waveform handle wh = downloadWaveform (myFGen, w);</pre>				

Function	Description
removeWaveform	Removes a previously created arbitrary waveform from the function generator's memory. If a waveform handle is provided, it removes the waveform represented by the waveform handle.
	Example:
	% Remove a waveform from fgen with waveform handle 10000
	removeWaveform (myFGen, 10000);
enableOutput	Enables the function generator to produce a signal that appears at the output connector. This function produces a waveform defined by the Waveform property. If the Waveform property is set to 'Arb', the function uses the latest internal waveform handle to output the waveform.
	enableOutput (myFGen);
disableOutput	Disables the signal that appears at the output connector. Disables the selected channel.
	disableOutput (myFGen);
reset	Sets the function generator to factory default state.

# **Using a SCPI-based Driver for Keysight Function Generators**

If you are using a SCPI-based Keysight function generator such as the 33220A, you will see the following when you use the drivers function on an fgen object myFGen.

```
driverlist = drivers(myFGen);
driverlist =
Driver: Agilent332x0_SCPI
Supported Models:
```

33210A, 33220A, 33250A

The \_SCPI after the instrument name indicates this is using a SCPI driver instead of the IVI driver.

#### **Using Properties**

For a list of supported properties for use with Quick-Control Function Generator, see Quick-Control Function Generator Properties.

# **Quick-Control Function Generator Properties**

The fgen function can use the following properties.

roperty Description				
AMDepth	Specifies the extent of Amplitude modulation the function generator applies to the carrier signal. The units are a percentage of full modulation. At 0% depth, the output amplitude equals the carrier signal's amplitude. At 100% depth, the output amplitude equals twice the carrier signal's amplitude. This property affects function generator behavior only when the Mode is set to 'AM' and ModulationResource is set to 'internal'.			
Amplitude	Specifies the amplitude of the standard waveform. The value is the amplitude at the output terminal. The units are volts peak-to-peak (Vpp). For example, to produce a waveform ranging from -5.0 to +5. volts, set this value to 10.0 volts. Does not apply if Waveform is of type 'Arb'.			
ArbWaveformGain	Specifies the factor by which the function generator scales the arbitrary waveform data. Use this property to scale the arbitrary waveform to ranges other than $-1.0$ to $+1.0$ . When set to $2.0$ , the output signal ranges from $-2.0$ to $+2.0$ volts. Only applies if Waveform is of type 'Arb'.			
BurstCount	Specifies the number of waveform cycles that the function generator produces after it receives a trigger. Only applies if Mode is set to 'burst'.			
ChannelNames	This read-only property provides available channel names in a cell array.			
Driver	This property is optional. Use only if necessary to specify the underlying driver used to communicate with an instrument. If the DriverDetectionMode property is set to 'manual', use the Driver property to specify the instrument driver.			
DriverDetectionMode	Sets up criteria for connection. Valid values are 'auto' and 'manual'. The default value is 'auto', which means you do not need to set a driver name before connecting to an instrument. If se to 'manual', a driver name needs to be provided using the Drive property before connecting to instrument.			
FMDeviation	Specifies the maximum frequency deviation the modulating waveform applies to the carrier waveform. This deviation corresponds to the maximum amplitude level of the modulating signal. The units are Hertz (Hz). This property affects function generator behavior only when Mode is set to 'FM' and ModulationSource is set to 'internal'.			
Frequency	Specifies the rate at which the function generator outputs an entire arbitrary waveform when Waveform is set to 'Arb'. It specifies the frequency of the standard waveform when Waveform is set to standard waveform types. The units are Hertz (Hz).			

Property	Description			
Mode	Specifies run mode. Valid values are 'continuous', 'burst', 'AM', or 'FM'. Specifies how the function generator produces waveforms. It configures the instrument to generate output continuously or to generate a discrete number of waveform cycles based on a trigger event. It can also be set to AM and FM.			
ModulationFrequency	Specifies the frequency of the standard waveform that the function generator uses to modulate the output signal. The units are Hertz (Hz). This attribute affects function generator behavior only when Mode is set to 'AM' or 'FM' and the ModulationSource attribute is set to 'internal'.			
ModulationSource	Specifies the signal that the function generator uses to modulate the output signal. Valid values are 'internal' and 'external'. This attribute affects function generator behavior only when Mode is set to 'AM' or 'FM'.			
ModulationWaveform	Specifies the standard waveform type that the function generator uses to modulate the output signal. This affects function generator behavior only when Mode is set to 'AM' or 'FM' and the ModulationSource is set to 'internal'. Valid values are 'sine', 'square', 'triangle', 'RampUp', 'RampDown', and 'DC'.			
Offset	Uses the standard waveform DC offset as input arguments if the waveform is not of type 'Arb'. Use Arb Waveform Offset as input arguments if the waveform is of type 'Arb'.  Specifies the DC offset of the standard waveform when Waveform is not to standard waveform. For example, a standard waveform.			
	set to standard waveform. For example, a standard waveform ranging from +5.0 volts to 0.0 volts has a DC offset of 2.5 volts. When Waveform is set to 'Arb', this property shifts the arbitrary waveform's range. For example, when it is set to 1.0, the output signal ranges from 2.0 volts to 0.0 volts.			
OutputImpedance	Specifies the function generator's output impedance at the output connector.			
Resource	Set this before connecting to the instrument. It is the VISA resource string for your instrument.			
SelectedChannel	Returns the selected channel name that was set using the selectChannel function.			
StartPhase	Specifies the horizontal offset in degrees of the standard waveform the function generator produces. The units are degrees of one waveform cycle. For example, a 180-degree phase offset means output generation begins halfway through the waveform.			
Status	This read-only property indicates the communication status of your instrument session. It is either 'open' or 'closed'.			
TriggerRate	Specifies the rate at which the function generator's internal trigger source produces a trigger, in triggers per second. This property affects function generator behavior only when the TriggerSource is set to 'internal'. Only applies if Mode is set to 'burst'.			

Property	Description
	Specifies the trigger source. After the function generator receives a trigger, it generates an output signal if Mode is set to 'burst'. Valid values are 'internal' or 'external'.
Waveform	Uses the waveform type as an input argument. Valid values are 'Arb', for an arbitrary waveform, or these standard waveform types - 'Sine', 'Square', 'Triangle', 'RampUp', 'RampDown', and 'DC'.

# **Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Requirements**

You can use the Quick-Control RF Signal Generator for any RF signal generator that uses an underlying IVI-C driver. However, you do not have to directly deal with the underlying driver.

Create the Quick-Control RF Signal Generator object using the Instrument Control Toolbox rfsiggen function. It simplifies controlling RF signal generators and performs waveform generations. This feature works with any instrument that has IVI-C rfsiggen class drivers.

To use the Quick-Control RF Signal Generator for an IVI-C RF signal generator, ensure the following software is installed. Most components are installed by the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces, but you can also install them separately. To install the support package, see "Install the National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces Support Package" on page 14-11.

- Windows 64-bit platforms
- VISA shared components (installed by the support package)
- VISA (installed by the support package)

Note, the examples use Keysight VISA, but you can use any vendor's implementation of VISA.

- National Instruments IVI compliance package NICP 4.1 or later (installed by the support package)
- The device-specific driver for your instrument. If you do not already have it, go to your instrument vendor's website and download the IVI-C driver for your specific instrument.

You can use instrhwinfo to confirm that the required software is installed.

% Check that the software is properly installed. instrhwinfo('ivi')

#### See Also

#### **More About**

- "Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Functions" on page 13-38
- "Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Properties" on page 13-40
- "Download and Generate Signals with RF Signal Generator" on page 13-42

# **Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Functions**

The rfsiggen function uses the following functions, in addition to standard Instrument Control Toolbox functions such as connect and disconnect.

Function	Description		
drivers	Return a list of available RF signal generator instrument drivers with their supported instrument models.		
	Example:		
	<pre>driverlist = drivers(myRFSigGen);</pre>		
	where my myRFSigGen is the name of the rfsiggen object.		
resources	Retrieve a list of available instrument resources. It returns a list of available VISA resource strings when using an IVI-C RF signal generator.		
	Example:		
	res = resources(myRFSigGen);		
	where my myRFSigGen is the name of the rfsiggen object.		
download	Download an arbitrary waveform to the RF signal generator. It accepts a complex vector of doubles containing the IQData and a double defining the SampleRate of the signal.		
	Example:		
	<pre>rf = rfsiggen('TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR','AgRfSigGen'     IQData = (-0.98:0.02:1) + 1i*(-0.98:0.02:1);     SampleRate = 800000;     download(rf, IQData, SampleRate)</pre>		
start	Enable the RF signal generator signal output and modulation output. It takes a double value for each of the three required arguments: CenterFrequency specified in Hz, OutputPower specified in dBm, and LoopCount, which represents the number of times the waveform should be repeated.		
	Example:		
	<pre>rf = rfsiggen('TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR','AgRfSigGen'     CenterFrequency = 4000000     OutputPower = 0     LoopCount = inf     start(rf, CenterFrequency, OutputPower, LoopCount)</pre>		
stop	Stop the RF signal generator signal output and modulation output.		
	stop(rf);		
	where rf is the name of the rfsiggen object.		
reset	Set the RF signal generator to factory default state.		

# See Also

# **More About**

- "Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Requirements" on page 13-37
- "Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Properties" on page 13-40
- "Download and Generate Signals with RF Signal Generator" on page 13-42

# **Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Properties**

The Quick-Control RF Signal Generator can use the following properties on the rfsiggen, download, or start functions. See the examples to learn how to set the properties.

Property	Description		
CenterFrequency	Used on the start function, this argument is the center frequency for the waveform, specified as a double in Hz.		
Driver	Used on the rfsiggen function, this argument specifies the underlying driver used to communicate with an instrument as a string. It is optional, and, if not specified, the driver is auto-detected.		
IQData	Used on the download function, this argument specifies the IQ data to use in the download.		
LoopCount	Used on the start function, this argument is the number of times the waveform should be repeated, specified as a double.		
OutputPower	Used on the start function, this argument is the output power, specified as a double in dBm.		
Resource	The VISA resource string for your instrument, specified as a string. Set this before connecting to the instrument. It is optional during object creation, and can be used if you know the resource string for your instrument. Otherwise you can set it after object creation.		
SampleRate	Used on the download function, this argument specifies the sample rate to use in the download.		

#### **Set Driver or Resource During Object Creation**

You can optionally set the Driver and Resource property values during the rfsiggen object creation.

The Driver property specifies the underlying driver used to communicate with an instrument, and is specified as a string. It is optional, and if not specified the driver is auto-detected.

The Resource property specifies the VISA resource string for your instrument, and is specified as a string. It is optional and can be used if you know the resource string for your instrument.

This example shows how to create the RF Signal Generator object rf and specify the resource string shown and a driver named AgRFSigGen.

```
rf = rfsiggen('TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR','AgRFSigGen')
```

#### **Set IQ Data and Sample Rate for Download**

You can set the IQData and SampleRate property values during the download operation.

This example shows how to create the RF Signal Generator object, assign values to the properties, and then perform the download.

```
rf = rfsiggen('TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR','AgRFSigGen')
IQData = (-0.98:0.02:1) + 1i*(-0.98:0.02:1);
SampleRate = 500000;
download(rf, IQData, SampleRate)
```

# **Set Signal Generation Properties**

You can set property values that are used when you start the RF signal generator signal output and modulation output with the start function.

This example shows how to create the RF Signal Generator object, assign values to the properties, and then perform the signal generation.

```
rf = rfsiggen('TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR','AgilentRFSigGen')
CenterFrequency = 2000000
OutputPower = 0
LoopCount = inf
start(rf, CenterFrequency, OutputPower, LoopCount)
```

# See Also

# **More About**

- "Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Requirements" on page 13-37
- "Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Functions" on page 13-38
- "Download and Generate Signals with RF Signal Generator" on page 13-42

# Download and Generate Signals with RF Signal Generator

# "Create an RF Signal Generator Object" on page 13-42 "Download a Waveform" on page 13-43 "Generate Signal and Modulation Output" on page 13-44

# **Create an RF Signal Generator Object**

You create an rfsiggen object to communicate with RF signal generators. You must specify a resource, either when you create the object or after object creation. The Resource property is the VISA resource string for the instrument.

You can optionally specify a driver either during or after object creation using the Driver property. If you don't specify one it is auto-detected.

#### Create an RF Signal Generator Object and Set Resource and Driver

You can create the rfsiggen object and set the Resource and Driver during object creation. If those properties are valid, it automatically connects to the instrument.

This syntax shows how to create the RF Signal Generator object and connect using the specified resource string and driver.

```
rf = rfsiggen('TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR','AgRfSigGen')
```

#### Create an RF Signal Generator Object without Setting Resource and Driver

You can create the rfsiggen object without setting the Resource or Driver, and then set it after object creation.

**1** Create the RF Signal Generator object with no arguments.

```
rf = rfsiggen;
```

**2** Find available resources using the resources function.

```
ResourceList = resources(rf)

ResourceList =
    3x1 cell array
    {'ASRL::COM1'}
    {'ASRL::COM3'}
    'TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR'
```

In this case, it finds two COM ports that could host an instrument, and the VISA resource string of an RF signal generator.

3 Set the RF Signal Generator resource using the Resource property, which is the VISA resource string.

```
rf.Resource = 'TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR';
```

**4** List the drivers using the drivers function.

```
drivers(rf)
ans =

    Driver: AgRfSigGen_SCPI
    Supported Models:
    E4428C, E4438C

    Driver: RsRfSigGen_SCPI
    Supported Models:
    SMW200A, SMBV100A, SMU200A, SMJ100A, AMU200A, SMATE200A

    Driver: AgRfSigGen
    Supported Models:
    E4428C, E4438C, N5181A, N5182A, N5183A, N5171B, N5181B, N5172B
    N5182B, N5173B, N5183B, E8241A, E8244A, E8251A, E8254A, E8247C
```

In this case, it finds the drivers for a Keysight (formerly Agilent) SCPI-based RF signal generator, a Rohde & Shwartz SCPI-based generator, and another Keysight generator. You can see that it lists the supported models of the driver in each case.

5 Set the RF Signal Generator driver using the Driver property.

```
rf.Driver = 'AgRfSigGen';
```

6 You can now connect to the instrument.

```
connect(rf);
```

#### **Download a Waveform**

You can download an arbitrary waveform to an RF signal generator using the download function and assign the IQData and SampleRate to use. The IQData is a complex vector of doubles containing the IQ data to use.

This example shows how to download a waveform to your rfsiggen object and assign the IQData and SampleRate to use.

1 Create an rfsiggen object to communicate with an RF signal generator, using the VISA resource string and driver associated with your own instrument.

```
rf = rfsiggen('TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR','AgRfSigGen')
```

When you designate the Resource and Driver properties during object creation, it automatically connects to the instrument.

2 Assign the IQData and SampleRate variables to use in the download.

```
IQData = (-0.98:0.02:1) + 1i*(-0.98:0.02:1);
SampleRate = 800000;
```

**3** Perform the download.

```
download(rf, IQData, SampleRate)
```

# **Generate Signal and Modulation Output**

You can use the start function on an RF signal generator object to start signal output and modulation output. It takes a double value for each of the three required arguments: CenterFrequency specified in Hz, OutputPower specified in dBm, and LoopCount, which represents the number of times the waveform should be repeated.

This example shows how to enable signal output and modulation output for the RF signal generator, and assign the required arguments.

Create an rfsiggen object to communicate with an RF signal generator, using the VISA resource string and driver associated with your own instrument.

```
rf = rfsiggen('TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR','AgRfSigGen')
```

When you designate the Resource and Driver properties during object creation, it automatically connects to the instrument.

Assign the CenterFrequency, OutputPower, and LoopCount variables to use in the signal generation.

```
CenterFrequency = 4000000
OutputPower = 0
LoopCount = inf
```

Start the signal generation.

```
start(rf, CenterFrequency, OutputPower, LoopCount)
```

#### See Also

#### More About

- "Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Requirements" on page 13-37
- "Ouick-Control RF Signal Generator Functions" on page 13-38
- "Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Properties" on page 13-40

# Creating Shared Libraries or Standalone Applications When Using IVI-C or VXI

When using IVI-C or VXI*plug&play* drivers, executing your code will generate additional files in the folder specified by executing the following code at the MATLAB prompt:

```
fullfile(tempdir, 'ICTDeploymentFiles', sprintf('R%s', version('-release')))
```

On all supported platforms, a file with the name MATLABPrototypeFor<driverName>.m is generated, where <driverName> the name of the IVI-C or VXIplug&play driver. With 64-bit MATLAB on Windows, a second file by the name <driverName>\_thunk\_pcwin64.dll is generated. When creating your deployed application or shared library, manually include these generated files. For more information on including additional files refer to the MATLAB Compiler documentation.

# **Instrument Support Packages**

- "Install the Ocean Optics Spectrometers Support Package" on page 14-2
- "Install the NI-SCOPE Oscilloscopes Support Package" on page 14-4
- "Install the NI-FGEN Function Generators Support Package" on page 14-5
- "Install the NI-DCPower Power Supplies Support Package" on page 14-6
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- "Install the Keysight IO Libraries and VISA Interface Support Package" on page 14-12

# Install the Ocean Optics Spectrometers Support Package

You can use Instrument Control Toolbox to communicate with Ocean Optics USB spectrometers. You can acquire data from the spectrometer and control it. Ocean Optics manufactures a broad line of USB-powered spectrometers covering the visible, near IR, and UV portions of the spectrum. You can use these spectrometers from MATLAB on Windows and Macintosh platforms.

The Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for Ocean Optics Spectrometers lets you use MATLAB for comprehensive control of any spectrometer that is supported by the Ocean Optics OmniDriver software (version 2.12 or higher). You can perform many tasks, including:

- Acquire a spectrum
- Set the integration time
- Enable dark current and nonlinear spectral corrections
- View all connected devices

For a list of supported devices, see https://www.mathworks.com/hardware-support/ocean-opticsspectrometers.html.

**Note** This support package is being removed in R2018b. The Instrument Control Toolbox still supports use of Ocean Optics hardware as described here. Required MATLAB files will be installed with the toolbox. Required Ocean Optics files, such as instrument drivers, need to be installed separately from Ocean Optics. You can still use Ocean Optics instruments with the toolbox. To do so, install any required instrument drivers from Ocean Optics, if you do not already have them installed. Required files from Ocean Optics are available from the MathWorks web site: https:// www.mathworks.com/hardware-support/ocean-optics-spectrometers.html.

This feature is available through the Hardware Support Packages. Using this installation process, download and install the following file(s) on your host computer:

- MATLAB Instrument Driver for Ocean Optics support
- Ocean Optics OmniDriver version 2.2 driver files
- An example that shows how to take measurements with an Ocean Optics spectrometer

**Note** You can use this support package on a host computer running on 64-bit Windows or 64-bit macOS operating systems that Instrument Control Toolbox supports.

#### **Installing the Support Package**

To install the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for Ocean Optics Spectrometers:

On the MATLAB Home tab, in the Environment section, click Add-Ons > Get Hardware Support Packages.

In the Add-On Explorer, scroll to the Hardware Support Packages section, and click show all to find your support package.

To uninstall support packages:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Manage Add-Ons**.

To update existing support packages:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Check for Updates > Hardware Support Packages**.

# Install the NI-SCOPE Oscilloscopes Support Package

You can use Instrument Control Toolbox to communicate with NI-SCOPE oscilloscopes. You can acquire waveform data from the oscilloscope and control it.

This feature is available through the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for NI-SCOPE Oscilloscopes. Using this installation process, you download and install the following file(s) on your host computer:

- MATLAB Instrument Driver for NI-SCOPE support
- National Instruments driver file: NI-SCOPE driver version 3.9.7

**Note** You can use this support package only on a host computer running a version of 64-bit Windows that Instrument Control Toolbox supports.

## **Installing the Support Package**

To install the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for NI-SCOPE Oscilloscopes:

On the MATLAB Home tab, in the Environment section, click Add-Ons > Get Hardware Support Packages.

In the Add-On Explorer, scroll to the **Hardware Support Packages** section, and click **show all** to find your support package.

To uninstall support packages:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Manage Add-Ons**.

To update existing support packages:

On the MATLAB Home tab, in the Environment section, click Add-Ons > Check for Updates > Hardware Support Packages.

# Install the NI-FGEN Function Generators Support Package

You can use the Instrument Control Toolbox to communicate with NI-FGEN function generators. You can control and configure the function generator, and perform tasks such as generating sine waves.

This feature is available through the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for NI-FGEN Function Generators. Using this installation process, you download and install the following file(s) on your host computer:

- MATLAB Instrument Driver for NI-FGEN support
- National Instruments driver file: NI-FGEN driver version 2.9.1

**Note** You can use this support package only on a host computer running a version of 64-bit Windows that Instrument Control Toolbox supports.

## **Installing the Support Package**

To install the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for NI-FGEN Function Generators:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Get Hardware Support Packages**.

In the Add-On Explorer, scroll to the **Hardware Support Packages** section, and click **show all** to find your support package.

To uninstall support packages:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Manage Add-Ons**.

To update existing support packages:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Check for Updates > Hardware Support Packages**.

# Install the NI-DCPower Power Supplies Support Package

You can use Instrument Control Toolbox to communicate with NI-DCPower power supplies. You can control and take digital measurements from a power supply, such as the NI PXI 4011 triple-output programmable DC power supply.

This feature is available through the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for NI-DCPower Power Supplies. Using this installation process, you download and install the following file(s) on your host computer:

- MATLAB Instrument Driver for NI-DCPower support
- National Instruments NI-DCPower driver file
- Example that shows how to take digital measurements from an NI-DCPower power supply

**Note** You can use this support package only on a host computer running a version of 64-bit Windows that Instrument Control Toolbox supports.

#### **Installing the Support Package**

To install the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for NI-DCPower Power Supplies:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Get Hardware Support Packages**.

In the Add-On Explorer, scroll to the **Hardware Support Packages** section, and click **show all** to find your support package.

To uninstall support packages:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons** > **Manage Add-Ons**.

To update existing support packages:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Check for Updates > Hardware Support Packages**.

# Install the NI-DMM Digital Multimeters Support Package

You can use Instrument Control Toolbox to communicate with NI-DMM digital multimeters. You can control and take measurements from a digital multimeter, such as measuring voltage or resistance.

This feature is available through the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for NI-DMM Digital Multimeters. Using this installation process, you download and install the following file(s) on your host computer:

- · MATLAB Instrument Driver for NI-DMM support
- · National Instruments NI-DMM driver file
- Example that shows how to take digital measurements from a NI-DMM digital multimeter

**Note** You can use this support package only on a host computer running a version of 64-bit Windows that Instrument Control Toolbox supports.

#### **Installing the Support Package**

To install the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for NI-DMM Digital Multimeters:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Get Hardware Support Packages**.

In the Add-On Explorer, scroll to the **Hardware Support Packages** section, and click **show all** to find your support package.

To uninstall support packages:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Manage Add-Ons**.

To update existing support packages:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Check for Updates > Hardware Support Packages**.

# Install the NI-845x I2C/SPI Interface Support Package

For the Instrument Control Toolbox I2C and SPI interfaces, you can use either a Total Phase Aardvark host adaptor or an NI-845x adaptor. To use the I2C or SPI interface with the NI-845x adaptor, you must download this Hardware Support Package to obtain the latest driver, if you do not already have the driver installed. If you already have the latest driver installed, you do not need to download this Support Package.

To use the NI-845x driver, download and install the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for NI-845x I2C/SPI Interface, which includes the following files on your host computer:

- National Instruments NI-845x adaptor driver file
- Example that shows how to use the NI-854x adaptor with the I2C interface

**Note** You can use this support package only on a host computer running a version of 64-bit Windows that Instrument Control Toolbox supports.

# **Installing the Support Package**

To install the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for NI-845x I2C/SPI Interface:

On the MATLAB Home tab, in the Environment section, click Add-Ons > Get Hardware Support Packages.

In the Add-On Explorer, scroll to the Hardware Support Packages section, and click show all to find your support package.

To uninstall support packages:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Manage Add-Ons**.

To update existing support packages:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Check for Updates >** Hardware Support Packages.

# Install the Total Phase Aardvark I2C/SPI Interface Support Package

For the Instrument Control Toolbox I2C and SPI interfaces, you can use either a Total Phase Aardvark host adaptor or an NI-845x adaptor. To use the I2C or SPI interface with the Aardvark adaptor, you must download this Hardware Support Package to obtain the necessary files. You must also download the USB device driver from the vendor.

The Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for Total Phase Aardvark I2C/SPI Interface downloads and installs the Total Phase Aardvark host adaptor driver file on your host computer. Examples of using the Aardvark adaptor with the I2C interface can be found in the Instrument Control Toolbox documentation. For more information on using Aardvark with the I2C and SPI interfaces, see "I2C Interface Overview" on page 9-2 and "SPI Interface Overview" on page 10-2.

**Note** For R2018b and R2018a, you cannot use the Aardvark adaptor for I2C or SPI interfaces on the macOS platform. You can still use it on Windows and Linux. For releases prior to R2018a, you can use it on all three platforms, including the Mac.

#### **Installing the Support Package**

To install the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for Total Phase Aardvark I2C/SPI Interface:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Get Hardware Support Packages**.

In the Add-On Explorer, scroll to the **Hardware Support Packages** section, and click **show all** to find your support package.

To uninstall support packages:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Manage Add-Ons**.

To update existing support packages:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Check for Updates > Hardware Support Packages**.

# Install the NI-Switch Hardware Support Package

You can use Instrument Control Toolbox to communicate with NI-Switch instruments. For example, you can control a relay box such as the NI PXI-2586 10-channel relay switch.

This feature is available through the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for NI-Switch Hardware. Using this installation process, you download and install the following file(s) on your host computer

- MATLAB Instrument Driver for NI-Switch support
- National Instruments NI-Switch driver file
- Example that shows how to control an NI-Switch relay switch

**Note** You can use this support package only on a host computer running a version of 64-bit Windows that Instrument Control Toolbox supports.

#### **Installing the Support Package**

To install the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for NI-Switch Hardware:

On the MATLAB Home tab, in the Environment section, click Add-Ons > Get Hardware Support Packages.

In the Add-On Explorer, scroll to the Hardware Support Packages section, and click show all to find your support package.

To uninstall support packages:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Manage Add-Ons**.

To update existing support packages:

On the MATLAB Home tab, in the Environment section, click Add-Ons > Check for Updates > Hardware Support Packages.

# Install the National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces Support Package

The Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces lets you use the Quick Control Oscilloscope and Quick Control Function Generator interfaces.

After you download and install the support package, you can use the Quick Control interfaces to communicate with oscilloscopes and function generators.

The support package installs the following files on your host computer:

- MATLAB Instrument Driver for Quick Control Oscilloscope and Quick Control Function Generator
- VISA shared components
- VISA
- National Instruments IVI compliance package NICP 4.1 or later
- The Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces documentation

**Note** You can use this support package only on a host computer running a version of 64-bit Windows that Instrument Control Toolbox supports.

# **Installing the Support Package**

To install the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Get Hardware Support Packages**.

In the Add-On Explorer, scroll to the **Hardware Support Packages** section, and click **show all** to find your support package.

To uninstall support packages:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Manage Add-Ons**.

To update existing support packages:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Check for Updates > Hardware Support Packages**.

# Install the Keysight IO Libraries and VISA Interface Support **Package**

The Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for Keysight IO Libraries and VISA Interface simplifies the use of Keysight (formerly Agilent) VISA by installing the necessary software components, such as the IO libraries and VISA shared components.

After you download and install the support package, you can use the VISA interface to communicate with Keysight instruments.

The support package installs the following files on your host computer:

- MATLAB Instrument Driver for Keysight VISA
- Keysight IO libraries
- Keysight VISA shared components

# **Installing the Support Package**

To install the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for Keysight IO Libraries and VISA Interface:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Get Hardware Support** Packages.

In the Add-On Explorer, scroll to the Hardware Support Packages section, and click show all to find your support package.

To uninstall support packages:

On the MATLAB **Home** tab, in the **Environment** section, click **Add-Ons > Manage Add-Ons**.

To update existing support packages:

On the MATLAB Home tab, in the Environment section, click Add-Ons > Check for Updates > Hardware Support Packages.

# **Using Generic Instrument Drivers**

This chapter describes the use of generic drivers for controlling instruments from the MATLAB Command window, using the Instrument Control Toolbox software.

- "Generic Drivers: Overview" on page 15-2
- "Writing a Generic Driver" on page 15-3
- "Using Generic Driver with Test & Measurement Tool" on page 15-7
- "Using a Generic Driver at Command Line" on page 15-9

# **Generic Drivers: Overview**

Generic drivers allow the Instrument Control Toolbox software to communicate with devices or software that do not use industry-standard drivers or protocols.

Typical cases, but not the only possibilities, are instruments that offer access through a COM interface (where the instrument can be accessed as an ActiveX® object from the MATLAB workspace), that use proprietary libraries, or that use custom MEX-files.

Because the generic nature of this feature does not lend itself to detailed discussion of specific instructions that work in all cases, the following sections of this chapter use an example to illustrate how to create and use a MATLAB generic instrument driver:

- "Writing a Generic Driver" on page 15-3
- "Using Generic Driver with Test & Measurement Tool" on page 15-7
- "Using a Generic Driver at Command Line" on page 15-9

# Writing a Generic Driver

#### In this section...

"Creating the Driver and Defining Its Initialization Behavior" on page 15-3

"Defining Properties" on page 15-4

"Defining Functions" on page 15-6

# Creating the Driver and Defining Its Initialization Behavior

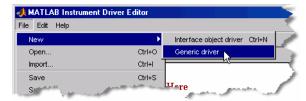
In this example, the generic "instrument" that you control is Microsoft Internet Explorer® (IE), which is represented by a COM object. (This example works only on Windows systems.) Working through the example, you write a simple MATLAB instrument generic driver that allows the Instrument Control Toolbox software to communicate with a COM object. Using both a graphical interface and command-line code, with your driver you create an IE browser window, control its size, and specify what Web page it displays. The principles demonstrated in this example can be applied when writing a generic driver for any kind of instrument.

In this section, you create a new driver and specify what happens when an object is created for this driver.

1 Open the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor from the MATLAB Command Window.

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To make it known that this driver is a generic driver, in the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor, select **File** > **New** > **Generic driver**, as shown.



3 Select **File > Save as**.

Navigate to the directory where you want to save your driver, and give it any name you want. This example uses the name ie drv. Remember where you have saved your driver.

**4** Select the Summary node in the driver editor window. Set the fields of this pane with any values you want. This example uses the following settings:

Manufacturer Microsoft

Supported models IE

Instrument type Browser

Driver version 1.0

- **5** Select the node Initialization and Cleanup.
- 6 Click the **Create** tab.

This is where you define the code to execute when this driver is used to create a device object. This example identifies the COM object for Internet Explorer, and assigns the handle to that object as the Interface property of the device object being created.

**7** Add the following lines of code to the **Create** tab:

```
ie = actxserver('internetexplorer.application');
obj.Interface = ie);
```

Click the **Connect** tab.

This is where you define the code to execute when you connect your device object to your instrument or software.

Add the following lines of code to the **Connect** tab:

```
ie = get(obj, 'Interface');
ie.Visible = 1);
ie.FullScreen = 0);
```

The first line gets ie as a handle to the COM object, based on the assignment in the **Create** code. The two lines after that set the window visibility and size.

# **Defining Properties**

Writing properties for generic drivers in the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor is a matter of writing straight code.

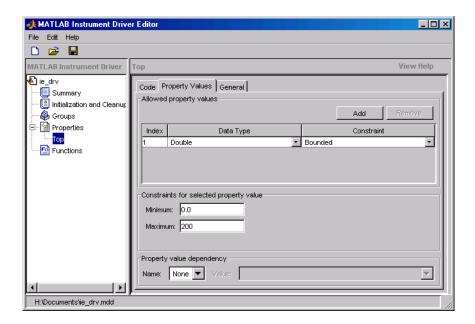
In this example, you define two properties. The first property uses the same name as the corresponding property of the COM object; the second property uses a different name from its corresponding COM object property.

# Using the Same Name for a Property

The position of the IE browser window is determined by the Top and Left properties of its COM object. In the following steps, you make the Top property available to your device object through your generic driver. For this property, the name of the property is the same in both the COM object and in vour device object.

- Select the Properties node in the driver editor tree.
- 2 In the **Add property** field, enter the text Top, and click **Add**.
- Expand the Properties node in the tree, and select the new node Top. 3
- 4 Click the **Property Values** tab. Your property can have a numeric value corresponding to screen pixels. For this example, you can limit the value of the property from 0 to 200.
- 5 Make sure the **Data Type** field indicates **Double**. In the **Constraint** field, click the pull-down menu and select Bounded.
- Keep the **Minimum** value of 0.0, and enter a **Maximum** value of 200. 6

Your driver editor window should look like the following figure.



Now that you have defined the data type and acceptable values of the property, you can write the code to be executed whenever the device object property is accessed by get or set.

**7** Click the **Code** tab.

The concept of reading the property is rather straightforward. When you get the Top property of the device object, the driver merely gets the value of the COM object's corresponding Top property. So all you need in the Get code function is to identify the COM object to get the information from.

**8** Add the following code at the bottom of the function in the **Get code** pane:

```
ie = obj.Interface;
propertyValue = get(ie, propertyName);
```

The first line gets ie as a handle to the COM object. Remember that the Interface property of the device object is set to this value back in the driver's **Create** code. The second line retrieves the value of the COM object's Top property, and assigns it to propertyValue, which is returned to the get function for the device object.

**9** Add the following code at the bottom of the function in the **Set code** pane:

```
ie = get(obj, 'Interface');
ie.propertyName = propertyValue;
```

#### Using a Different Name for a Property

In the preceding steps, you created in your driver a device object property that has the same name as the property of the COM object representing your instrument. You can also create properties with names that do not match those of the COM object properties. In the following steps, you create a property called Vsize that corresponds to the IE COM object property Height.

- **1** Select the **Properties** node in the driver editor tree.
- 2 In the **Add property** field, enter the text Vsize, and click **Add**.
- **3** Expand the Properties node in the tree, and select the new node Vsize.
- 4 Click the **Property Values** tab. This property can have a numeric value corresponding to screen pixels, whose range you define as 200 to 800.

- Make sure the **Data Type** field indicates **Double**. In the **Constraint** field, click the pull-down menu and select Bounded.
- Enter a **Minimum** value of 200, and enter a **Maximum** value of 800. 6
- Click the **Code** tab.
- Add the following code at the bottom of the function in the **Get code** pane:

```
ie = obi.Interface:
propertyValue = ie.Height;
```

Add the following code at the bottom of the function in the **Set code** pane:

```
ie = get(obj, 'Interface');
set(ie, 'Height', propertyValue);
```

**10** Save your driver.

# **Defining Functions**

A common function for Internet Explorer is to download a Web page. In the following steps, you create a function called goTo that allows you to navigate the Web with the browser.

- 1 Select the Functions node in the driver editor tree.
- In the **Add function** field, enter the text **goTo**, and click **Add**.
- **3** Expand the Functions node in the tree, and select the new node goTo.

Writing functions for generic drivers in the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor is a matter of writing straight code.

Your goTo function requires only one input argument: the URL of the Web page to navigate to. You can call that argument site.

Change the first line of the MATLAB code pane to read

```
function goTo(obj, site)
```

The variable obj is the device object using this driver. The value of site is a character vector passed into this function when you are using this driver. Your function then must pass the value of site on to the IE COM object. So your function must get a handle to the COM object, then call the IE COM method Navigate2, passing to it the value of site.

**5** Add the following code at the bottom of the function in the MATLAB code pane:

```
ie = obj.Interface;
invoke(ie, 'Navigate2', site);
```

Save your driver, and close the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor.

Now that your generic driver is ready, you can use it with the **Test and Measurement Tool** or at the MATLAB command line.

# **Using Generic Driver with Test & Measurement Tool**

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"Accessing Properties" on page 15-8

"Using Functions" on page 15-8

# **Creating and Connecting the Device Object**

With the Test & Measurement Tool you can scan for your driver, create a device object that uses that driver, set and get properties of the object, and execute functions.

This example illustrates how to use the generic driver you created in "Writing a Generic Driver" on page 15-3.

If your driver is not in the matlabroot\toolbox\instrument\instrument\drivers directory, in the MATLAB Command Window, make sure that the directory containing your driver is on the MATLAB path.

path

If you do not see the directory in the path listing, and the driver is not in the matlabroot \toolbox\instrument\instrument\drivers directory, add the directory to the path with the command

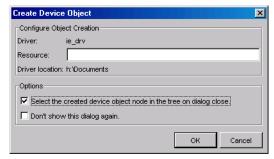
addpath directory

where *directory* is the pathname to the directory containing your driver.

**2** Open the Test & Measurement Tool.

tmtool

- 3 In the Test & Measurement Tool tree, expand the Instrument Drivers node.
- **4** Select the MATLAB Instrument Drivers node.
- 5 Your driver might not be listed yet, so click **Scan** in the lower-right corner of the tool. If the tool found your driver, it is listed in the tree as ie drv.mdd.
- 6 Select the ie drv.mdd node in the tree.
- 7 Right-click the ie\_drv.mdd node in the tree, and select **Create Device Object Using Driver**. The following dialog box appears.



8 Select the **Select the created device object in the tree on dialog close** check box. The device object in this example does not need a resource, so keep that field empty.

#### 9 Click OK.

When the Test & Measurement Tool creates the device object, an entry for the object appears as a node in the tree. The Browser-ie\_drv node should already be selected in the tree. This refers to the device object you just created.

10 Click Connect in the upper-right corner of the Test & Measurement Tool. This establishes a communication channel between the tool and the IE browser window, and an empty IE window appears on your screen. Remember that the Create code for your driver creates an object for the IE browser, and the Connect code and makes its window visible.

# **Accessing Properties**

The driver you created allows you to specify where the browser window appears on your screen and how large it is.

- 1 Click the **Properties** tab, and then select Top in the **Device object properties** list.
  - The first value displayed for setting this property is 0.0.
- 2 Click **Set**. The IE browser window shifts upward to the top edge of your screen.
- **3** With the mouse, grab the IE window, and drag it down some distance from the top of the screen.
- 4 Now return to the Test & Measurement Tool window, and click **Get** for the **Top** property. Notice in the **Response** pane how many pixels down you have moved the window.

Use your driver Vsize property to change the size of the browser window.

- 1 Select Vsize in the **Device object properties** list.
- **2** Enter a property value of 200, and click **Set**. Notice the IE window size.
- **3** Enter a property value of 400 and click **Set**. Notice the IE window size.
- 4 Try resizing the IE browser window directly with the mouse. Then in the Test & Measurement Tool, click **Get** for the Vsize property. Notice the value returned to the **Response** pane.

# **Using Functions**

Use the goTo function of your generic driver to control the Web page that the browser displays.

- 1 In the Test & Measurement Tool, click the **Functions** tab for your device object.
- **2** Select **goTo** in the list of **Device object functions**.
- 3 In the Input argument(s) field, enter 'www.mathworks.com'. Be sure to include the single quotes.
- 4 Click **Execute**. Observe the IE browser and see that it displays the MathWorks Web site.
- 5 Experiment freely. When you are finished, right-click the Browser-ie\_drv node in the tree and select **Delete Object**. Close the Test & Measurement Tool, and close the IE browser window you created in this example.

# **Using a Generic Driver at Command Line**

# In this section... "Creating and Connecting the Device Object" on page 15-9 "Accessing Properties" on page 15-9 "Using Functions" on page 15-10

#### **Creating and Connecting the Device Object**

The Instrument Control Toolbox software provides MATLAB commands you can use in the Command Window or in files to create a device object that uses a driver, set and get properties of the object, and execute functions.

This example illustrates how to use the generic driver you created in "Writing a Generic Driver" on page 15-3.

1 If your driver is not in the matlabroot\toolbox\instrument\instrument\drivers directory, in the MATLAB Command Window, make sure that the directory containing your driver is on the MATLAB software path.

```
path
```

If you do not see the directory in the path listing, and the driver is not in the matlabroot \toolbox\instrument\instrument\drivers directory, add the directory to the path with the command

```
addpath directory
```

where *directory* is the pathname to the directory containing your driver.

Create a device object using your driver. For the driver used in this example, the icdevice function does not require an argument for a resource when using a generic driver. What the object connects to and how it makes that connection are defined in the Create code of your driver.

```
ie_obj = icdevice('ie_drv');
Connect the object.
connect(ie obj);
```

When the device object is connected, an empty IE window appears on your screen. Now you can communicate directly with the IE browser from the MATLAB Command window.

## **Accessing Properties**

The driver you created allows you to specify where the browser window appears on your screen and how large it is. You read and write the properties of your device object with the get and set functions, respectively.

**1** View all of the properties of your device object.

```
get(ie_obj)
   ConfirmationFcn =
   DriverName = ie_drv.mdd
```

```
DriverType = MATLAB generic
InstrumentModel =
Interface = [1x1 COM.internetexplorer_application]
LogicalName =
Name = Browser-ie_drv
ObjectVisibility = on
RsrcName =
Status = open
Tag =
Timeout = 10
Type = Browser
UserData = []
BROWSER specific properties:
Top = 47
Vsize = 593
```

2 Most of the properties listed belong to all device objects. For this example, the properties of interest are those listed as BROWSER specific properties, that is, Top and Vsize.

The Top property defines the IE browser window position in pixels from the top of the screen. Vsize defines the vertical size of the window in pixels.

**3** Shift the IE browser window to the top of the screen.

```
ie obj.Top = 0;
```

- **4** With the mouse, grab and drag the IE browser window down away from the top of the screen.
- **5** Find the window's new position by examining the **Top** property.

```
ie_obj.Top
ans =
   120
```

Adjust the size of the window by setting the Vsize property.

```
ie_obj.Vsize = 200);
```

**6** Make the window larger by increasing the property value.

```
ie_obj.Vsize = 600);
```

# **Using Functions**

By using the goTo function of your generic driver, you can control the Web page displayed in the IE browser window.

**1** View all of the functions (methods) of your device object.

```
methods(ie obj)
Methods for class icdevice:
Contents
            disp
                       icdevice
                                     instrnotify methods
class
            display
                       igetfield
                                     instrument ne
                                                            subsasgn
close
                       inspect
                                                 obj2mfile subsref
            end
                                     invoke
                       instrcallback isa
connect
            ea
                                                 open
                                                           vertcat
                                     isequal
ctranspose fieldnames instrfind
                                                 openvar
delete
            get
                       instrfindall
                                     isetfield
                                                 propinfo
devicereset geterror
                       instrhelp
                                     isvalid
                                                 selftest
                       instrhwinfo
disconnect horzcat
                                     lenath
                                                 set
Driver specific methods for class icdevice:
```

goTo

Most of the methods listed apply to all device objects. For this example, the method of interest is the one listed under Driver specific methods, that is, goTo.

**2** Use the goTo function to specify the page for the IE browser to display.

```
invoke(ie_obj, 'goTo', 'www.mathworks.com');
```

If you have access to the Internet, the IE window should display the MathWorks Web site.

When you are finished with your example, clean up the MATLAB workspace by removing the object.

```
disconnect(ie_obj);
delete(ie_obj);
clear ie_obj;
```

4 Close the IE browser window you created in this example.

# **Saving and Loading the Session**

This chapter describes how to save and load information associated with an instrument control session.

- "Saving and Loading Instrument Objects" on page 16-2
- "Debugging: Recording Information to Disk" on page 16-5

# **Saving and Loading Instrument Objects**

```
In this section...
"Saving Instrument Objects to a File" on page 16-2
"Saving Objects to a MAT-File" on page 16-3
```

#### Saving Instrument Objects to a File

You can save an instrument object to a file using the obj2mfile function. obj2mfile provides you with these options:

• Save all property values or save only those property values that differ from their default values.

Read-only property values are not saved. Therefore, read-only properties use their default values when you load the instrument object into the MATLAB workspace. To determine if a property is read-only, use the propinfo function or examine the property reference pages.

Save property values using the set syntax or the dot notation.

If the UserData property is not empty, or if a callback property is set to a cell array of values or a function handle, then the data stored in these properties is written to a MAT-file when the instrument object is saved. The MAT-file has the same name as the file containing the instrument object code.

For example, suppose you create the GPIB object q, return instrument identification information to the variable out, and store out in the UserData property.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
g.Tag = 'My GPIB object';
fopen(g)
cmd = '*IDN?';
fprintf(g,cmd)
out = fscanf(q);
g.UserData = out;
```

The following command saves q and the modified property values to the file mygpib.m. Because the UserData property is not empty, its value is automatically written to the MAT-file mygpib.mat.

```
obj2mfile(g,'mygpib.m');
```

Use the type command to display mygpib.m at the command line.

#### **Loading the Instrument Object**

To load an instrument object that was saved as a file into the MATLAB workspace, type the name of the file at the command line. For example, to load q from the file myqpib.m,

```
g = mygpib
```

The display summary for q is shown below. Note that the read-only properties such as Status, BytesAvailable, ValuesReceived, and ValuesSent are restored to their default values.

```
GPIB Object Using NI Adaptor : GPIB0-1
Communication Address
   BoardIndex:
                       0
```

PrimaryAddress: 1 SecondaryAddress: 0

Communication State

Status: closed RecordStatus: off

Read/Write State

TransferStatus: idle
BytesAvailable: 0
ValuesReceived: 0
ValuesSent: 0

When loading g into the workspace, the MAT-file mygpib.mat is automatically loaded and the UserData property value is restored.

```
g.UserData
ans =
TEKTRONIX,TDS 210,0,CF:91.1CT FV:v1.16 TDS2CM:CMV:v1.04
```

#### Saving Objects to a MAT-File

You can save an instrument object to a MAT-file just as you would any workspace variable — using the save command. For example, to save the GPIB object g and the variables cmd and out, defined in "Saving Instrument Objects to a File" on page 16-2, to the MAT-file mygpibl.mat,

```
save mygpib1 g cmd out
```

Read-only property values are not saved. Therefore, read-only properties use their default values when you load the instrument object into the MATLAB workspace. To determine if a property is read-only, use the propinfo function or examine the property reference pages.

#### **Loading the Instrument Object**

To load an instrument object that was saved to a MAT-file into the MATLAB workspace, use the load command. For example, to load g, cmd, and out from MAT-file mygpibl.mat,

load mygpib1

The display summary for g is shown below. Note that the read-only properties such as Status, BytesAvailable, ValuesReceived, and ValuesSent are restored to their default values.

```
GPIB Object Using NI Adaptor : GPIB0-1
```

Communication Address
BoardIndex: 0
PrimaryAddress: 1
SecondaryAddress: 0

Communication State

Status: closed RecordStatus: off

Read/Write State

TransferStatus: idle BytesAvailable: 0

ValuesReceived: 0 ValuesSent: 0

# **Debugging: Recording Information to Disk**

# "Using the record Function" on page 16-5 "Introduction to Recording Information" on page 16-5 "Creating Multiple Record Files" on page 16-6 "Specifying a File Name" on page 16-6 "Record File Format" on page 16-6 "Recording Information to Disk" on page 16-7

#### Using the record Function

Recording information to disk provides a permanent record of your instrument control session, and is an easy way to debug your application. While the instrument object is connected to the instrument, you can record this information to a disk file:

- The number of values written to the instrument, the number of values read from the instrument, and the data type of the values
- Data written to the instrument, and data read from the instrument
- Event information

You record information to a disk file with the record function. The properties associated with recording information to disk are given below.

#### **Recording Properties**

Property Name	Description
RecordDetail	Specify the amount of information saved to a record file.
RecordMode	Specify whether data and event information are saved to one record file or to multiple record files.
RecordName	Specify the name of the record file.
RecordStatus	Indicate if data and event information are saved to a record file.

# Introduction to Recording Information

This example creates the GPIB object g, records the number of values transferred between g and the instrument, and stores the information to the file text myfile.txt.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
g.RecordName = 'myfile.txt';
fopen(g)
record(g)
fprintf(g,'*IDN?')
out = fscanf(g);
```

End the instrument control session.

```
fclose(g)
delete(g)
clear q
```

Use the type command to display myfile.txt at the command line.

#### Creating Multiple Record Files

When you initiate recording with the record function, the RecordMode property determines if a new record file is created or if new information is appended to an existing record file.

You can configure RecordMode to overwrite, append, or index. If RecordMode is overwrite, then the record file is overwritten each time recording is initiated. If RecordMode is append, then the new information is appended to the file specified by RecordName. If RecordMode is index, a different disk file is created each time recording is initiated. The rules for specifying a record file name are discussed in "Specifying a File Name" on page 16-6.

#### Specifying a File Name

You specify the name of the record file with the RecordName property. You can specify any value for RecordName, including a directory path, provided the file name is supported by your operating system. Additionally, if RecordMode is index, then the file name follows these rules:

- Indexed file names are identified by a number. This number precedes the file name extension and is increased by 1 for successive record files.
- If no number is specified as part of the initial file name, then the first record file does not have a number associated with it. For example, if RecordName is myfile.txt, then myfile.txt is the name of the first record file, myfile01.txt is the name of the second record file, and so on.
- RecordName is updated after the record file is closed.
- If the specified file name already exists, then the existing file is overwritten.

#### **Record File Format**

The record file is an ASCII file that contains a record of one or more instrument control sessions. You specify the amount of information saved to a record file with the RecordDetail property.

RecordDetail can be compact or verbose. A compact record file contains the number of values written to the instrument, the number of values read from the instrument, the data type of the values, and event information. A verbose record file contains the preceding information as well as the data transferred to and from the instrument.

Binary data with precision given by uchar, schar, (u)int8, (u)int16, or (u)int32 is recorded as hexadecimal values. For example, if the integer value 255 is read from the instrument as a 16-bit integer, the hexadecimal value 00FF is saved in the record file. Single- and double-precision floatingpoint numbers are recorded as decimal values using the %g format, and as hexadecimal values using the format specified by the IEEE Standard 754-1985 for Binary Floating-Point Arithmetic.

The IEEE floating-point format includes three components — the sign bit, the exponent field, and the significant field. Single-precision floating-point values consist of 32 bits, and the value is given by

```
value = (-1)^{sign}(2^{exp-127})(1.significand)
```

Double-precision floating-point values consist of 64 bits, and the value is given by

```
value = (-1)^{sign}(2^{exp-1023})(1.significand)
```

The floating-point format component and the associated single-precision and double-precision bits are given below.

Format Component	Single-Precision Bits	Double-Precision Bits
sign	1	1
ехр	2-9	2-12
significand	10-32	13-64

For example, suppose you record the decimal value 4.25 using the single-precision format. The record file stores 4.25 as the hex value 40880000, which is calculated from the IEEE single-precision floating-point format. To reconstruct the original value, convert the hex value to a decimal value using hex2dec:

```
dval = hex2dec('40880000')
dval =
    1.082654720000000e+009
```

Convert the decimal value to a binary value using dec2bin:

The interpretation of bval is given by the preceding table. The left most bit indicates the value is positive because  $(-1)^0 = 1$ . The next 8 bits correspond to the exponent, which is given by

```
exp = bval(2:9)
exp =
10000001
```

The decimal value of exp is  $2^7+2^0=129$ . The remaining bits correspond to the significant, which is given by

The decimal value of significand is  $2^{-4} = 0.0625$ . You reconstruct the original value by plugging the decimal values of exp and significand into the formula for IEEE singles:

```
value = (-1)^{0}(2^{129} - 127)(1.0625)
value = 4.25
```

# **Recording Information to Disk**

This example extends "Writing and Reading Binary Data" on page 4-12 by recording the associated information to a record file. Additionally, the structure of the resulting record file is presented:

**1** Create an instrument object — Create the GPIB object g associated with a National Instruments GPIB controller with board index 0, and an instrument with primary address 1.

```
q = qpib('ni', 0, 1);
```

**2** Configure properties — Configure the input buffer to accept a reasonably large number of bytes, and configure the timeout value to two minutes to account for slow data transfer.

```
g.InputBufferSize = 50000;
g.Timeout = 120;
```

Configure g to execute the callback function instrcallback every time 5000 bytes are stored in the input buffer.

```
g.BytesAvailableFcnMode = 'byte';
g.BytesAvailableFcnCount = 5000;
g.BytesAvailableFcn = @instrcallback;
```

Configure q to record information to multiple disk files using the verbose format. The first disk file is defined as WaveForm1.txt.

```
a.RecordMode = 'index':
g.RecordDetail = 'verbose';
g.RecordName = 'WaveForm1.txt';
```

**Connect to the instrument** — Connect g to the oscilloscope.

**Write and read data** — Initiate recording.

```
record(g)
```

Configure the scope to transfer the screen display as a bitmap.

```
fprintf(g,'HARDCOPY:PORT GPIB')
fprintf(g,'HARDCOPY:FORMAT BMP')
fprintf(g,'HARDCOPY START')
```

Initiate the asynchronous read operation, and begin generating events.

```
readasync(q)
```

instrcallback is called every time 5000 bytes are stored in the input buffer. The resulting displays are shown below.

```
BytesAvailable event occurred at 09:04:33 for the object: GPIB0-1.
BytesAvailable event occurred at 09:04:42 for the object: GPIB0-1.
BytesAvailable event occurred at 09:04:51 for the object: GPIB0-1.
BytesAvailable event occurred at 09:05:00 for the object: GPIB0-1.
BytesAvailable event occurred at 09:05:10 for the object: GPIB0-1.
BytesAvailable event occurred at 09:05:19 for the object: GPIB0-1.
BytesAvailable event occurred at 09:05:28 for the object: GPIB0-1.
```

Wait until all the data is stored in the input buffer, and then transfer the data to the MATLAB workspace as unsigned 8-bit integers.

```
out = fread(g,g.BytesAvailable,'uint8');
```

Toggle the recording state from on to off. Because the RecordMode value is index, the record file name is automatically updated.

```
record(g)
g.RecordStatus
```

```
ans =
off
g.RecordName
ans =
WaveForm2.txt
```

**5** Disconnect and clean up — When you no longer need g, you should disconnect it from the instrument, and remove it from memory and from the MATLAB workspace.

```
fclose(q)
delete(g)
clear g
```

#### The Record File Contents

To display the contents of the WaveForm1.txt record file,

```
type WaveForm1.txt
```

The record file contents are shown below. Note that data returned by the fread function is in hex format (most of the bitmap data is not shown).

```
Legend:
 * - An event occurred.
 > - A write operation occurred.
 < - A read operation occurred.
1
     Recording on 18-Jun-2000 at 09:03:53.529. Binary data in
     little endian format.
2
   > 18 ascii values.
     HARDCOPY: PORT GPIB
3
   > 19 ascii values.
     HARDCOPY: FORMAT BMP
4
   > 14 ascii values.
     HARDCOPY START
5
   * BytesAvailable event occurred at 18-Jun-2000 at 09:04:33.334
6
   * BytesAvailable event occurred at 18-Jun-2000 at 09:04:41.775
   * BytesAvailable event occurred at 18-Jun-2000 at 09:04:50.805
   * BytesAvailable event occurred at 18-Jun-2000 at 09:04:00.266
8
   * BytesAvailable event occurred at 18-Jun-2000 at 09:05:10.306
10 * BytesAvailable event occurred at 18-Jun-2000 at 09:05:18.777
11 * BytesAvailable event occurred at 18-Jun-2000 at 09:05:27.778
12 < 38462 uint8 values.
     42 4d cf 03 00 00 00 00 00 00 3e 00 00 00 28 00
     00 00 80 02 00 00 e0 01 00 00 01 00 01 00 00
     00 00 00 96 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
     ff ff
13 Recording off.
```

# **Test & Measurement Tool**

This chapter describes how to use the Test & Measurement Tool to access your hardware interfaces and instrument drivers.

- "Test & Measurement Tool Overview" on page 17-2
- "Using the Test & Measurement Tool" on page 17-4

#### **Test & Measurement Tool Overview**

#### In this section...

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#### **Instrument Control Toolbox Software Support**

The Test & Measurement Tool (tmtool) enables you to configure and control resources (instruments, serial devices, drivers, interfaces, etc.) accessible through the toolbox without having to write the MATLAB script.

You can use the Test & Measurement Tool to manage your session with the toolbox. This tool enables you to do the following:

- Detect available hardware and drivers.
- · Connect to an instrument or device.
- Configure instrument or device settings.
- · Read and write data.
- Automatically generate the MATLAB script.
- Visualize acquired data.
- Export acquired data to the MATLAB workspace.

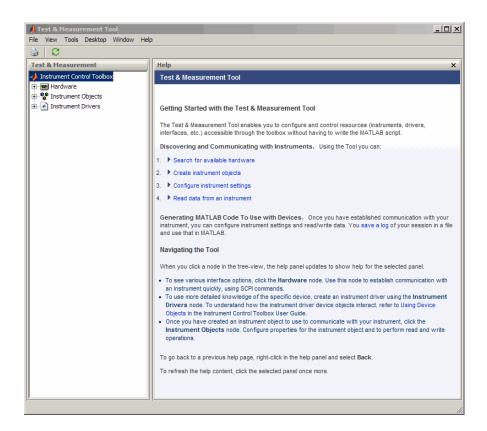
# **Navigating the Tree**

You start the Test & Measurement Tool by typing

tmtool

You navigate to the various hardware control panes using the tool's tree. Start by selecting the toolbox you want to work with, which displays a set of instructions in the right pane. These instructions explain the basic steps to establishing communication with an instrument.

For example, the following figure shows the pane displayed when you select Instrument Control Toolbox.



# **Using the Test & Measurement Tool**

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#### **Overview of the Examples**

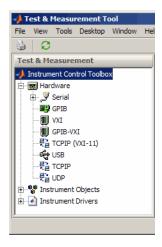
These examples illustrates a typical session using the Test & Measurement Tool for instrument control. The session entails communicating with a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope via a GPIB interface.

To start the tool, on the MATLAB Command window, type:

tmtool

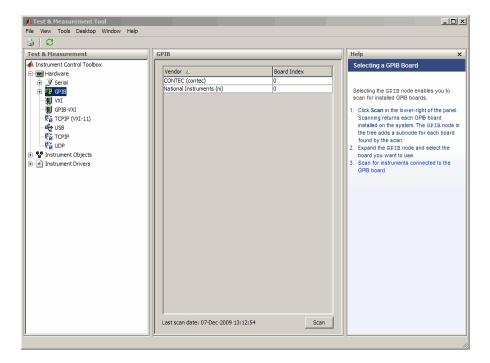
#### **Hardware**

When the tool displays, expand (click the +) the Instrument Control Toolbox node in the tree. Next, expand the Hardware node. The tree now looks like this.



#### Selecting the Interface and Scanning for GPIB Boards

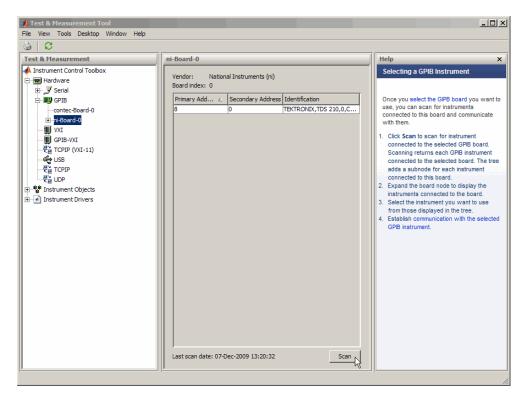
Next, scan for installed GPIB boards by selecting the GPIB node. The right pane changes to the **Installed GPIB Board** list. Click **Scan** to see what boards are installed. The following figure shows the scan result from a system with one Capital Equipment Corp and one Keithley® GPIB board.



#### **Scanning for Instruments Connected to GPIB Boards**

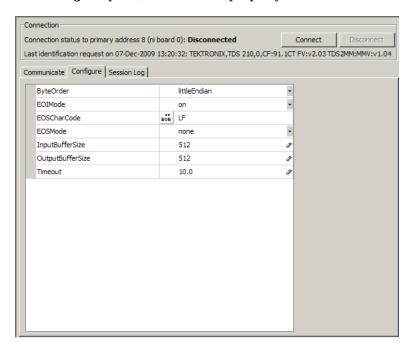
After determining what GPIB boards are installed, you must determine what instruments are connected to those boards. Expand the GPIB node and select a board.

The right pane changes to the **GPIB Instruments** list. Click **Scan** to see what instruments are connected to this board. The following figure shows the scan result from a system with a Tektronix TDS 210 connected at primary address 8`.



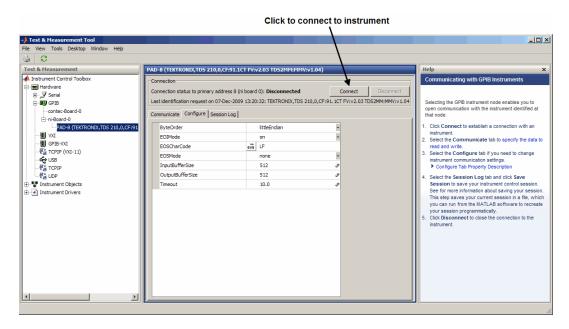
#### **Configuring the Interface**

You can change the configuration of the interface by clicking the **Configure** tab. This pane displays properties you can set to configure the instrument communication settings. In the following view of the **Configure** pane, the Timeout property value has been set to 10 seconds.



#### **Establishing the Connection**

Expand the ni-Board-0 node and select the instrument at primary address 4: PAD-8 (TEKTRONIX, TDS 210...). The right pane changes to the control pane you use for writing and reading data to and from that instrument.



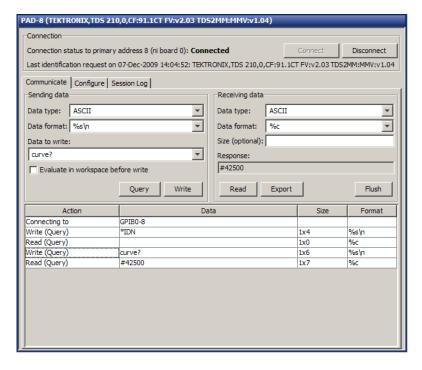
Click **Connect** to establish communication with the instrument. The tool creates an interface object representing the communication channel to the instrument.

#### **Writing and Reading Data**

Selecting the **Communicate** tab displays the pane you use to write and read data. You can write and read data separately using the **Write** and **Read** buttons, or you can use the **Query** button to write and read in a single operation.

The following figure shows the pane after a brief session involving the following steps:

- **1** Open communication with the instrument.
- 2 Enter \*IDN? as **Data to Write**, and click **Query** (write/read). This executes the identify command.
- **3** Enter CURVE? as **Data to Write**, and click **Query**. This retrieves the waveform data from the scope.

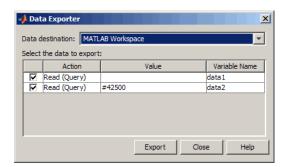


#### **Exporting Instrument Data**

You can export the data acquired from instruments to any of the following:

- MATLAB workspace as a variable
- · Figure window as a plot
- MAT-file for storage in a file
- The MATLAB Variables editor for modification

To export data, select **File > Export > Instrument Response(s)** from the menu bar. When the Data Exporter dialog box opens, choose the variables to export. The following figure shows the Data Exporter set to export the curve data to the MATLAB workspace as the variable data2.



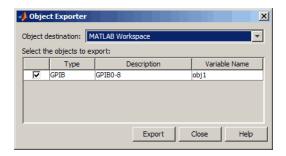
**Note** If you repeatedly generate a large amount of data in the Test and Measurement tool, you must delete the data object after you export it to MATLAB. This will allow the tool to return resources to MATLAB correctly and will prevent MATLAB from failing to respond the next time you acquire data.

#### **Exporting the GPIB Object**

When you open a connection to an instrument, the Test & Measurement Tool creates an instrument object automatically. You can export the GPIB instrument object created in this example as any of the following:

- MATLAB workspace object that you can use as an argument in instrument control commands
- File containing the call to the GPIB constructor and the commands to set object properties
- MAT-file for storage in a file

To export the object, select **File > Export > Instrument Object** from the menu bar. When the Object Exporter dialog box opens, choose the object to export. The following figure shows the Object Exporter set to export the object to a file. (When you run that file, it creates a new object with the equivalent settings.)



#### **Saving Your Instrument Control Session**

The **Session Log** tab displays the code equivalent of your instrument control session. You can save this code to a file so that you can execute the same commands programmatically.

Select **File** > **Save Session Log** from the menu bar or click **Save Session**. From this dialog box you can specify a file name and directory location for the file.

## **Instrument Objects**

#### **Interface Objects**

The Test & Measurement Tool creates interface objects automatically when you open a communication channel to an instrument by clicking the **Communication Status** button. To explicitly create and configure an interface object:

- 1 Expand the Instrument Objects node in the tree, and select Interface Objects. The Interface Objects pane appears on the right.
- **2** Click **New Object** to open the New Object Creation dialog box.



**3** Specify the object parameters and click **OK** to create the new object.

#### **Device Objects**

To create and configure a device object:

- 1 Expand the Instrument Objects node in the tree, and select Device Objects. The **Device** Objects pane appears on the right.
- 2 Click New Object to open the New Object Creation dialog box. In this case, the Instrument object type is already set for device.

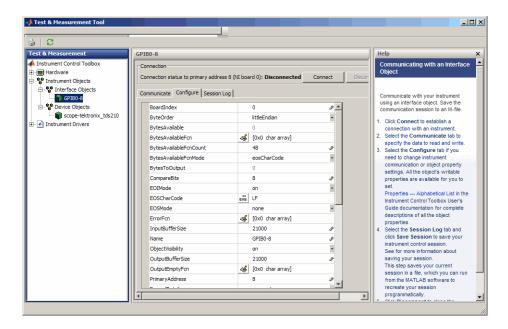


- **3** Specify or browse for the instrument driver you want to use; then choose from among the available interface objects, or create one if necessary.
- 4 Click **OK** to create the new device object.

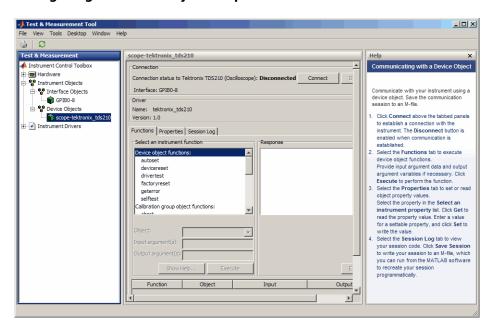
#### **Setting Instrument Object Properties**

Whether the instrument objects are created automatically, created through the New Object Creation dialog box, or created on the MATLAB Command window, the Test & Measurement Tool enables you to set the properties of these objects. To change object properties in the Test & Measurement Tool:

- 1 Expand the Instrument Objects node in the tree, then either Interface Objects or Device Objects, and select the object whose properties you want to set.
- **2** Click the **Configure** tab in the right pane.
- **3** Set properties displayed in this pane, as shown in the following figures.



#### **Configuring Interface Object Properties**

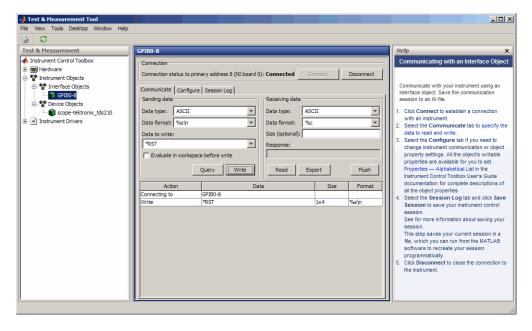


#### **Configuring Device Object Properties**

#### **Communicating with Your Instrument**

#### **Using an Interface Object**

When communicating with your instrument using an interface object, you send data to instrument in the form of raw instrument commands. In the following figure, the Test & Measurement Tool sends the \*RST string to the TDS 210 oscilloscope via an interface object. \*RST is the oscilloscope's reset command.

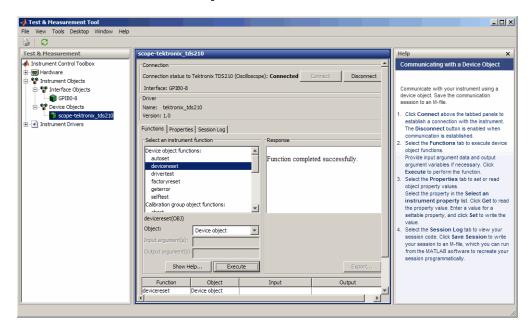


#### **Communicating via an Interface Object**

#### **Using a Device Object**

When communicating with your instrument using a device object, instead of employing instrument commands, you invoke device object methods (functions) or you set device object properties as provided by the MATLAB instrument driver for that instrument.

In the following figure, the Test & Measurement Tool resets a TDS 210 oscilloscope by issuing a call to the devicereset function of the instrument driver. Communicating this way, you don't need to know what the actual oscilloscope reset command is.



#### **Communicating via a Device Object**

#### **Instrument Drivers**

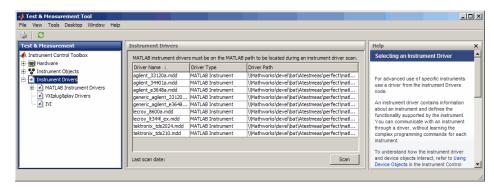
The Test & Measurement Tool enables you to scan for installed drivers, and to use those drivers when creating device objects.

#### **MATLAB Instrument Drivers**

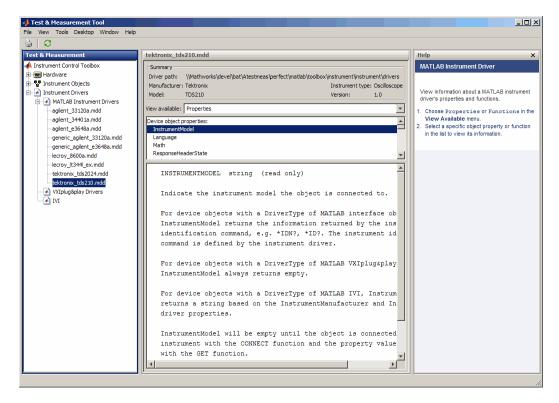
MATLAB instrument drivers include

- MATLAB interface drivers
- MATLAB VXI*plug&play* drivers
- MATLAB IVI drivers

Select the MATLAB Instrument Drivers node in the tree. Then click **Scan** to get an updated display of all the installed MATLAB instrument drivers found on the MATLAB software path.



When the Test & Measurement Tool scans for drivers, it makes them available as nodes under the driver type node. Expand the MATLAB software Instrument Drivers node to reveal the installed drivers. Select one of them to see the driver's details.



You can choose to see the driver's properties or functions. When you select the particular property or function, the tool displays that item's description.

#### **VXIplug&play Drivers**

For an example of scanning for installed VXIplug&play drivers with the Test & Measurement Tool, see "VXIplug&play Drivers" on page 12-3.

#### **IVI Drivers**

For an example of scanning for installed IVI-C drivers with the Test & Measurement Tool, see . For using the Test & Measurement Tool to examine or configure an IVI configuration store, see "Configuring IVI Configuration Store" on page 13-13.

# **Using the Instrument Driver Editor**

This chapter describes how to use the Instrument Driver Editor to create, import, or modify instrument drivers.

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#### **MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor Overview**

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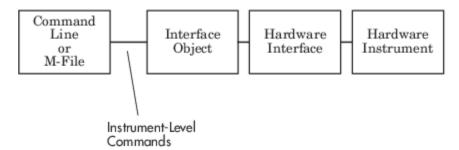
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"Why Use a MATLAB Instrument Driver?" on page 18-3

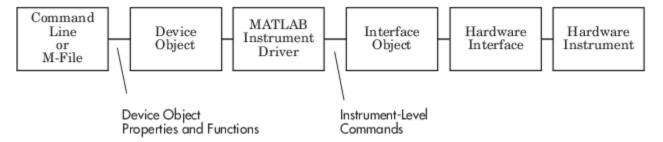
#### What Is a MATLAB Instrument Driver?

The Instrument Control Toolbox software provides the means of communicating directly with a hardware instrument through an interface object. If you are programming directly through an interface object, you need to program with the command language of the instrument itself. Any substitution of instrument, such as make or model, may require a change to the appropriate the MATLAB code.



A MATLAB instrument driver offers a layer of interpretation between you and the instrument. The instrument driver contains all the necessary commands for programming the instrument, so that you do not need to be aware of the specific instrument commands. Instead, you can program the instrument with familiar or consistent device object properties and functions.

The following figure shows how a device object and instrument driver offer a layer between the command line and the interface object. The instrument driver handles the instrument-level commands, so that as you program from the command line, you need only manipulate device object properties and functions, rather than instrument commands.



In addition to containing instrument commands, the instrument driver can also contain the MATLAB code to provide analysis based upon instrument setup or data.

Note For many instruments, a MATLAB instrument driver already exists and you will not need to create a MATLAB instrument driver for your instrument. For other instruments, there may be a

similar MATLAB instrument driver and you will need to edit it. If you would like more information on how to edit a MATLAB instrument driver, you may want to begin with "Modifying MATLAB Instrument Drivers" on page 18-47.

**Note** The Instrument Driver Editor is unable to open MDDs with non-ascii characters either in their name or path on Mac platforms.

#### **How Does a MATLAB Instrument Driver Work?**

A MATLAB instrument driver contains information on the functionality supported by an instrument. You access this functionality through a device object's properties and functions.

When you query or configure a property of the device object using the get or set function, or when you call (invoke) a function on the device object, the MATLAB instrument driver provides a translation to determine what instrument commands are written to the instrument or what the MATLAB code is executed.

#### Why Use a MATLAB Instrument Driver?

Using a MATLAB instrument driver isolates you from the instrument commands. Therefore, you do not need to be aware of the instrument syntax, but can use the same code for a variety of related instruments, ignoring the differences in syntax from one instrument to the next.

For example, suppose you have two different oscilloscopes in your shop, each with its own set of commands. If you want to perform the same tasks with the two different instruments, you can create an instrument driver for each scope so that you can control each with the same code. Then substitution of one instrument for another does not require a change in the MATLAB code being used to control it, but only a substitution of the instrument driver.

# **Creating MATLAB Instrument Drivers**

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"MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor Features" on page 18-4

"Saving MATLAB Instrument Drivers" on page 18-5

"Driver Summary and Common Commands" on page 18-5

"Initialization and Cleanup" on page 18-8

#### **Driver Components**

A MATLAB instrument driver contains information about an instrument and defines the functionality supported by the instrument.

<b>Driver Component</b>	Description
Driver Summary and Common Commands	Basic information about the instrument, e.g., manufacturer or model number.
Initialization and Cleanup	Code that is executed at various stages in the instrument control session, e.g., code that is executed upon connecting to the instrument.
Properties	A property is generally used to configure or query an instrument's state information.
Functions	A function is generally used to control or configure an instrument.
Groups	A group combines common functionality of the instrument into one component.

Depending on the instrument and the application for which the driver is being used, all components of the driver may not be defined. You can define the necessary driver components needed for your application with the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor.

**Note** The Instrument Driver Editor is unable to open MDDs with non-ascii characters either in their name or path on Mac platforms.

#### **MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor Features**

The MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor is a tool that creates or edits a MATLAB instrument driver. Specifically, it allows you to do the following:

- Add/remove/modify properties.
- Add/remove/modify functions.
- Define the MATLAB code to wrap around commands sent to instrument.

Open the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor with the following command.

midedit

In the rest of this section, each driver component will be described and examples will be shown on how to add the driver component information to a new MATLAB instrument driver called tektronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd. The tektronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd driver will define basic information and instrument functionality for a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope.

#### **Saving MATLAB Instrument Drivers**

You can save an instrument driver to any directory with any name. It is recommended that the instrument driver be saved to a directory in the MATLAB path and that the name follows the format manufacturer\_model.mdd. For example, an instrument that is used with a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope should be saved with the name tektronix\_tds210.mdd.

#### **Driver Summary and Common Commands**

You can assign basic information about the instrument to the MATLAB instrument driver. Summary information can be used to identify the MATLAB instrument driver and the instrument that it represents. Common commands can be used to reset, test, and read error messages from the instrument. Together, this information can be used to initialize and verify the instrument.

Topics in this section include

- "Driver Summary" on page 18-5
- "Common Commands" on page 18-5
- "Defining Driver Summary and Common Commands" on page 18-6
- "Verifying Driver Summary and Common Commands" on page 18-6

#### **Driver Summary**

You can assign basic information that describes your instrument in the instrument driver. This information includes the manufacturer of the instrument, the model number of the instrument and the type of the instrument. A version can also be assigned to the driver to assist in revision control.

#### **Common Commands**

You can define basic common commands supported by the instrument. The common commands can be accessed through device object properties and functions.

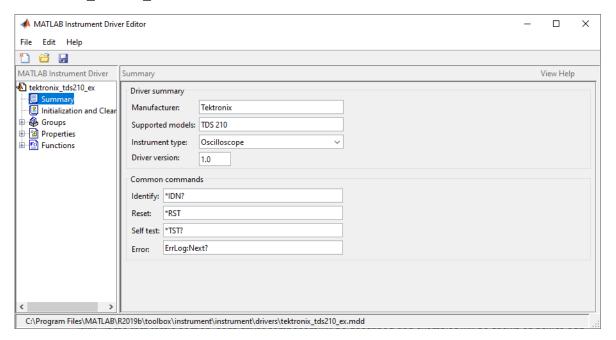
Common Commands	Accessed with Device Object's	Example Instrument Command	Description
Identify	InstrumentModel property	*IDN?	Returns the identification string of the instrument
Reset	devicereset function	*RST	Returns the instrument to a known state
Self test	selftest function	*TST?	Tests the instrument's interface
Error	geterror function	ErrLog:Next?	Retrieves the next instrument error message

The MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor assigns default values for the Common commands. The common commands should be modified appropriately to match the instrument's command set.

#### **Defining Driver Summary and Common Commands**

This example defines the basic driver information and Common commands for a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope using the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor:

- **1** Select the Summary node in the tree.
- 2 In the **Driver summary** pane:
  - a Enter Tektronix in the Manufacturer field.
  - **b** Enter TDS 210 in the **Model** field.
  - **c** Select Oscilloscope in the **Instrument type** field.
  - **d** Enter 1.0 in the **Driver version** field.
- **3** In the **Common commands** pane:
  - a Leave the **Identify** field with \*IDN?.
  - **b** Leave the **Reset** field with \*RST.
  - c Leave the **Self test** field with \*TST?
  - d Update the Error field with ErrLog: Next?
- 4 Click the **Save** button. Specify the name of the instrument driver as tektronix tds210 ex.mdd.



**Note** For additional information on instrument driver nomenclature, refer to "Saving MATLAB Instrument Drivers" on page 18-5.

#### **Verifying Driver Summary and Common Commands**

This procedure verifies the summary information defined in the Driver Summary and Common commands panes. In this example, the driver name is tektronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd. Communication with the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope at primary address 2 is done via a Measurement Computing Corporation GPIB board at board index 0. From the MATLAB Command Window,

1 Create the device object, obj, using the icdevice function. g = gpib('mcc', 0, 2);obj = icdevice('tektronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd',g); **2** View the defined driver information. obi Instrument Device Object Using Driver : tektronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd Instrument Information Type: Oscilloscope Manufacturer: Tektronix Model: TDS210 Driver Information DriverType: MATLAB interface object DriverName: tektronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd DriverVersion: 1.0 Communication State Status: closed instrhwinfo(obj) ans = struct with fields: Manufacturer: 'Tektronix' Model: 'TDS210' Type: 'Oscilloscope' DriverName: 'C:\Program Files\MATLAB\R2019b\toolbox\instrument\instrument\drivers\tektr **3** Connect to the instrument. connect(obj) Verify the Common commands. obj.InstrumentModel ans = TEKTRONIX, TDS 210,0,CF:91.1CT FV:v2.03 TDS2MM:MMV:v1.04 devicereset(obj) selftest(obj) ans = 0 geterror(obj)

ans =

Disconnect from the instrument and delete the objects.

```
disconnect(obj)
delete([obj g])
```

#### Initialization and Cleanup

This section describes how to define code that is executed at different stages in the instrument control session, so that the instrument can be set to a desired state at particular times. Specifically, you can define code that is executed after the device object is created, after the device object is connected to the instrument, or before the device object is disconnected from the instrument. Depending on the stage, the code can be defined as a list of instrument commands that will be written to the instrument or as MATLAB code.

Topics in this section include

- Definitions of the types of code that can be defined
- Examples of code for each supported stage
- Steps used to verify the code

#### **Create Code**

You define create code to ensure that the device object is configured to support the necessary properties and functions:

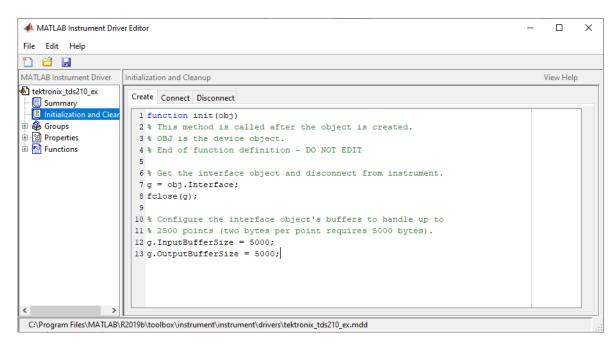
- Create code is evaluated immediately after the device object is created.
- Create code can only be defined as a MATLAB software code.

#### **Defining Create Code**

This example defines the create code that ensures that the device object can transfer the maximum waveform size, 2500 data points, supported by the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope. In the MATLAB instrument driver editor,

- 1 Select the Initialization and Cleanup node in the tree.
- Click the **Create** tab and enter the MATLAB software code to execute on device object creation.

```
% Get the interface object and disconnect from instrument.
   g = obj.Interface;
   fclose(q);
   % Configure the interface object's buffers to handle up to
   % 2500 points (two bytes per point requires 5000 bytes).
   a.InputBufferSize = 5000:
   g.OutputBufferSize = 5000;
3 Click the Save button.
```



### **Verifying Create Code**

This procedure verifies the MATLAB software create code defined. In this example, the driver name is tektronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd. Communication with the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope at primary address 2 is done via a Measurement Computing Corporation GPIB board at board index 0.

1 From the MATLAB command line, create the interface object, g; and verify the default input and output buffer size values.

```
g = gpib('mcc',0,2);
g.InputBufferSize

ans =
   512
g.OutputBufferSize

ans =
   512
```

**2** Create the device object, **obj**, using the **icdevice** function.

```
obj = icdevice('tektronix tds210 ex.mdd',g);
```

**3** Verify the create code by guerying the interface object's buffer sizes.

g.InputBufferSize

```
ans =
      5000
g.OutputBufferSize
```

ans = 5000

Delete the objects.

delete([obj q])

#### **Connect Code**

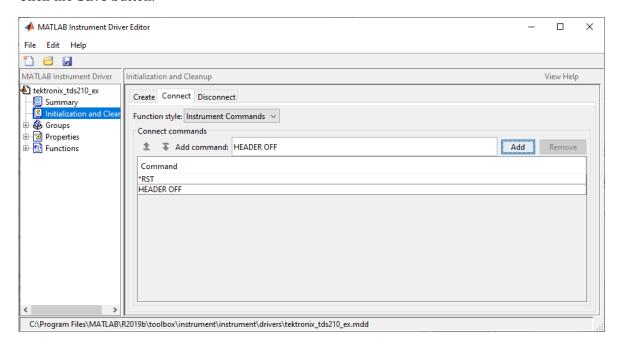
In most cases you need to know the state or configuration of the instrument when you connect the device object to it. You can define connect code to ensure that the instrument is properly configured to support the device object's properties and functions.

Connect code is evaluated immediately after the device object is connected to the instrument with the connect function. The connect code can be defined as a series of instrument commands that will be written to the instrument or as MATLAB software code.

#### **Defining Connect Code**

This example defines the connect code that ensures the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope is configured to support the device object properties and functions. Specifically, the instrument will be returned to a known set of instrument settings (instrument reset) and the instrument will be configured to omit headers on query responses.

- 1 From the MATLAB instrument driver editor, select the Initialization and Cleanup node in
- 2 Click the **Connect** tab and enter the instrument commands to execute when the device object is connected to the instrument.
  - Select Instrument Commands from the Function style menu.
  - Enter the \*RST command in the Command text field, and then click Add.
  - Enter the HEADER OFF command in the **Command** text field, and then click **Add**.
- 3 Click the **Save** button.



### **Verifying Connect Code**

This procedure verifies the instrument commands defined in the connect code. In this example, the driver name is tektronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd. Communication with the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope at primary address 2 is done via a Measurement Computing Corporation GPIB board at board index 0.

1 From the MATLAB command line, create the device object, obj, using the icdevice function.

```
g = gpib('mcc',0,2);
obj = icdevice('tektronix_tds210_ex.mdd',g);
```

**2** Connect to the instrument.

```
connect(obj)
```

**3** Verify the connect code by querying the Header state of the instrument.

```
query(g,'Header?')
ans =
```

**4** Disconnect from the instrument and delete the objects.

```
disconnect(obj)
delete([obj g])
```

#### **Disconnect Code**

By defining disconnect code, you can ensure that the instrument and the device object are returned to a known state after communication with the instrument is completed.

Disconnect code is evaluated before the device object's being disconnected from the instrument with the disconnect function. This allows the disconnect code to communicate with the instrument. Disconnect code can be defined as a series of instrument commands that will be written to the instrument or it can be defined as MATLAB software code.

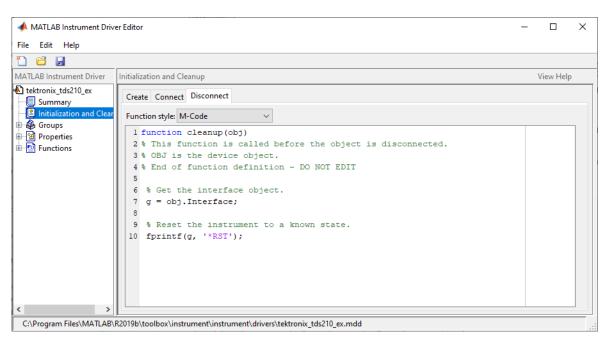
### **Defining Disconnect Code**

This example defines the disconnect code that ensures that the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope is returned to a known state after communicating with the instrument using the device object.

- 1 From the MATLAB instrument driver editor, select the Initialization and Cleanup node in the tree.
- 2 Click the **Disconnect** tab and enter the MATLAB software code to execute when the device object is disconnected from the instrument.
  - Select M-Code from the **Function style** menu.
  - Define the MATLAB software code that will reset the instrument and configure the interface object's buffers to their default values.

```
% Get the interface object.
g = obj.Interface;
% Reset the instrument to a known state.
fprintf(g, '*RST');
```

**3** Click the **Save** button.



### **Verifying Disconnect Code**

This procedure verifies the MATLAB software code defined in the disconnect code. In this example, the driver name is tektronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd. Communication with the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope at primary address 2 is done via a Measurement Computing Corporation GPIB board at board index 0. From the MATLAB command line,

**1** Create the device object, **obj**, using the **icdevice** function.

```
g = gpib('mcc',0,2);
obj = icdevice('tektronix_tds210_ex.mdd',g);
```

**2** Connect to the instrument.

```
connect(obj)
```

- **3** Alter some setting on the instrument so that a change can be observed when you disconnect. For example, the oscilloscope's contrast can be changed by pressing its front pane **Display** button, and then the **Contrast Decrease** button.
- 4 Disconnect from the instrument and observe that its display resets.

```
disconnect(obj)
```

**5** Delete the objects.

```
delete([obj g])
```

# **Properties**

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## **Properties: Overview**

You can make the programming of instruments through device objects easier and more consistent by using properties. A property can be used to query or set an instrument setting or attribute. For example, an oscilloscope's trigger level may be controlled with a property called TriggerLevel, which you can read or control with the get or set function. Even if two different scopes have different trigger syntax, you can use the same property name, TriggerLevel, to control them, because each scope will have its own instrument driver.

Another advantage of properties is that you can define them with certain acceptable values (enumerated) or limits (bounded) that can be checked before the associated commands are sent to the instrument.

## **Property Components**

The behavior of the property is defined by the following components.

#### **Set Code**

The set code defines the code that is executed when the property is configured with the set function. The set code can be defined as an instrument command that will be written to the instrument or it can be defined as MATLAB software code.

If the set code is MATLAB code, it can include any number of commands or MATLAB software code wrapped around instrument commands to provide additional processing or analysis.

If the set code is defined as an instrument command, then the command written to the instrument will be the instrument command concatenated with a space and the value specified in the call to set. For example, the set code for the DisplayContrast property is defined as the instrument command DISplay: CONTRast. When the set function below is evaluated, the instrument command sent to the instrument will be DISplay: CONTRast 54.

```
set(obj,'DisplayContrast',54);
```

#### **Get Code**

The get code defines the code that is executed when the property value is queried with the get function. The get code can be defined as an instrument command that will be written to the instrument or it can be defined as MATLAB software code.

**Note** The code used for your property's get code and set code cannot include calls to the fclose or fopen functions on the interface object being used to access your instrument.

## **Accepted Property Values**

You can define the values that the property can be set to so that only valid values are written to the instrument and an error would be returned before an invalid value could be written to the instrument.

- A property value can be defined as a double, a character vector, or a Boolean.
- A property value that is defined as a double can be restricted to accept only doubles within a certain range or a list of enumerated doubles. For example, a property could be defined to accept a double within the range of [0 10] or a property could be defined to accept one of the values [1,7,8,10].
- A property value that is defined as a character vector can be restricted to accept a list of enumerated character vectors. For example, a property could be defined to accept the character vectors min and max.

Additionally, a property can be defined to accept multiple property value definitions. For example, a property could be defined to accept a double ranging between [0 10] or the character vectors min and max.

## **Property Value Dependencies**

A property value can be dependent upon another property's value. For example, in controlling a power supply, the property VoltageLevel can be configured to the following values:

- A double ranging between 0 and 10 when the value of property VoltageOutputRange is high
- A double ranging between 0 and 5 when the value of property VoltageOutputRange is low

When VoltageLevel is configured, the value of VoltageOutputRange is gueried. If the value of VoltageOutputRange is high, then VoltageLevel can be configured to a double ranging between 0 and 10. If the value of VoltageOutputRange is low, then VoltageLevel can be configured to a double ranging between 0 and 5.

#### **Default Value**

The default value of the property is the value that the property is configured to when the object is created.

#### **Read-Only Value**

The read-only value of the property defines when the property can be configured. Valid options are described below.

Read-Only Value	Description
Never	The property can be configured at all times with the set function.
While Open	The property can only be configured with the set function when the device object is not connected to the instrument. A device object is disconnected from the instrument with the disconnect function.
Always	The property cannot be configured with the set function.

## **Help Text**

The help text provides information on the property. This information is returned with the instrhelp function.

instrhelp(obj,'PropertyName')

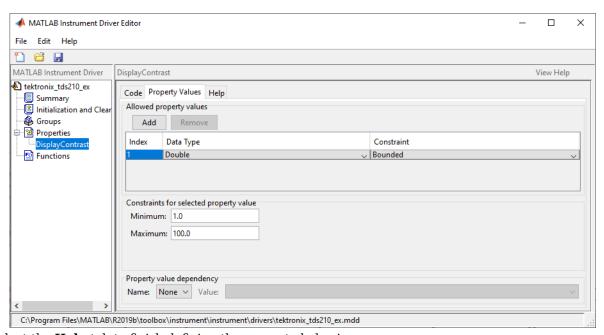
## **Examples of Properties**

This section includes several examples of creating, setting, and reading properties, with steps for verifying the behavior of these properties.

## **Creating a Double-Bounded Property**

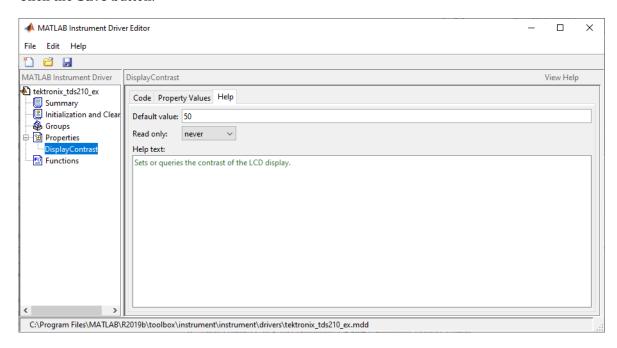
This example creates a property that will configure the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope's LCD display contrast. The oscilloscope display can be configured to a value in the range [1 100]. In the MATLAB instrument driver editor,

- **1** Select the Properties node in the tree.
- 2 Enter the property name, DisplayContrast, in the Name text field and click the Add button. The new property's name, DisplayContrast, appears in the Property Name table.
- **3** Expand the Properties node in the tree to display all the defined properties.
- 4 Select the DisplayContrast node from the properties displayed in the tree.
- 5 Select the **Code** tab to define the set and get commands for the DisplayContrast property.
  - Select Instrument Commands in the **Property style** field.
  - Enter DISplay: CONTRast? in the **Get command** text field.
  - Enter DISplay: CONTRast in the **Set command** text field.
- Select the **Property Values** tab to define the allowed property values.
  - Select Double in the **Data Type** field.
  - Select Bounded in the Constraint field.
  - Enter 1.0 in the **Minimum** field.
  - Enter 100.0 in the Maximum field.



**7** Select the **Help** tab to finish defining the property behavior.

- Enter 50 in the **Default value** text field.
- Select never in the **Read only** field.
- In the Help text field, enter Sets or queries the contrast of the LCD display.
- 8 Click the **Save** button.



## Verifying the Behavior of the Property

This procedure verifies the behavior of the property. In this example, the driver name is tektronix tds210 ex.mdd. Communication with the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope at primary address 2 is done via a Measurement Computing Corporation GPIB board at board index 0. From the MATLAB command line,

Create the device object, obj, using the icdevice function.

```
g = gpib('mcc', 0, 2);
obj = icdevice('tektronix_tds210_ex.mdd',g);
```

**2** View DisplayContrast property and its current value.

```
obj.DisplayContrast
ans =
```

Calling set on the DisplayContrast property lists the values to which you can set the property.

```
set(obj,'DisplayContrast')
[ 1.0 to 100.0 ]
```

Try setting the property to values inside and outside of the specified range.

```
obj.DisplayContrast = 17;
obj.DisplayContrast
```

```
ans =
     17
 obj.DisplayContrast = 120
 Invalid value for DisplayContrast
 Valid values: a value between 1.0 and 100.0.
View the help you wrote.
 instrhelp(obj,'DisplayContrast')
    DISPLAYCONTRAST [ 1.0 to 100.0 ]
    Sets or queries the contrast of the LCD display.
List the DisplayContrast characteristics that you defined in the Property Values and Help
tabs.
 info = propinfo(obj, 'DisplayContrast')
 info =
   struct with fields:
                   Type: 'double'
            Constraint: 'bounded'
       ConstraintValue: [1 100]
          DefaultValue: 50
              ReadOnly: 'never'
     InterfaceSpecific: 1
Connect to your instrument to verify the set and get code.
 connect(obj)
 When you issue the get function in the MATLAB software, the tektronix tds210 ex.mdd
 driver actually sends the DISplay: CONTRast? command to the instrument.
 obj.DisplayContrast
 ans =
     17
When you issue the set function in the MATLAB software, the tektronix tds210 ex.mdd
 driver actually sends the DISplay: CONTRast 34 command to the instrument.
 obi.DisplavContrast = 34:
Finally, disconnect from the instrument and delete the objects.
 disconnect(obj)
```

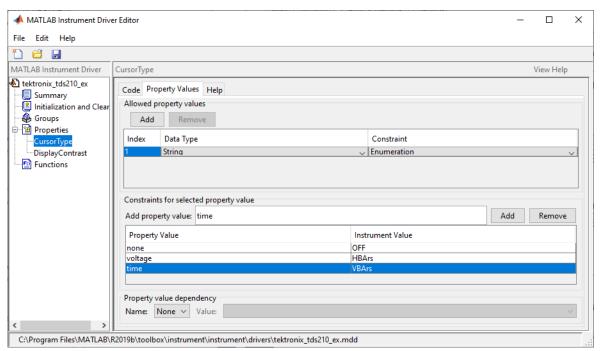
### **Creating an Enumerated Property**

delete([obj g])

This example creates a property that will select and display the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope's cursor. The oscilloscope allows two types of cursor. It supports a horizontal cursor that measures the

vertical units in volts, divisions, or decibels, and a vertical cursor that measures the horizontal units in time or frequency. In the MATLAB instrument driver editor,

- 1 Select the Properties node in the tree.
- 2 Enter the property name, CursorType, in the **Name** text field and click the **Add** button. The new property's name CursorType appears in the **Property Name** table.
- **3** Expand the Properties node to display all the defined properties.
- **4** Select the CursorType node from the properties displayed in the tree.
- 5 Select the Code tab to define the set and get commands for the CursorType property.
  - Select Instrument Commands in the **Property style** field.
  - Enter CURSor: FUNCtion? in the **Get Command** text field.
  - Enter CURSor: FUNCtion in the **Set Command** text field.
- **6** Select the **Property Values** tab to define the allowed property values.
  - Select String in the **Data Type** field.
  - Select Enumeration in the Constraint field.
  - Enter none in the New property value text field and click the Add button. Then enter OFF in the Instrument Value table field.
  - Similarly add the property value voltage, with instrument value HBArs.
  - Similarly add the property value time, with instrument value VBArs.



- **7** Select the **Help** tab to finish defining the property behavior.
  - Enter none in the **Default value** text field.
  - Select never in the Read only field.
  - In the Help text field, enter Specifies the type of cursor.
- 8 Click the **Save** button.

## Verifying the Behavior of the Property

This procedure verifies the behavior of the property. In this example, the driver name is tektronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd. Communication with the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope at primary address 2 is done via a Measurement Computing Corporation GPIB board at board index 0. From the MATLAB command line,

1 Create the device object, obj, using the icdevice function.

```
g = gpib('mcc',0,2);
obj = icdevice('tektronix_tds210_ex.mdd',g);
```

2 View the CursorType property's current value. Calling get on the object lists all its properties.

```
get(obj)
```

```
ConfirmationFcn =
DriverName = tektronix_tds210_ex.mdd
DriverType = MATLAB interface object
InstrumentModel =
Interface = [1x1 \text{ qpib}]
LogicalName = GPIB0-2
Name = scope-tektronix tds210 ex
ObjectVisibility = on
RsrcName =
Status = closed
Tag =
Timeout = 10
Type = scope
UserData = []
SCOPE specific properties:
CursorType = none
DisplayContrast = 50
```

Calling get on the CursorType property lists its current value.

```
obj.CursorType
```

```
ans = 'none'
```

**3** View acceptable values for the CursorType property. Calling set on the object lists all its settable properties.

#### set(obj)

```
ConfirmationFcn: string -or- function handle -or- cell array
Name:
ObjectVisibility: [ {on} | off ]
Tag:
Timeout:
UserData:

SCOPE specific properties:
CursorType: [ {none} | voltage | time ]
DisplayContrast: [ 1.0 to 100.0 ]
```

Calling set on the CursorType property lists the values to which you can set the property.

```
set(obj,'CursorType')
    [ {none} | voltage | time ]
  Try setting the property to valid and invalid values.
   obj.CursorType = 'voltage';
   obj.CursorType
   ans =
        'voltage'
   obj.CursorType = 'horizontal'
   There is no enumerated value named 'horizontal'.
5 View the help you wrote.
   instrhelp(obj,'CursorType')
       CURSORTYPE [ {none} | voltage | time ]
       Specifies the type of cursor.
  List the CursorType characteristics that you defined in the Property Values and Help tabs.
   info = propinfo(obj,'CursorType')
   info =
      struct with fields:
                      Type: 'string'
               Constraint: 'enum'
          ConstraintValue: {3×1 cell}
             DefaultValue: 'none'
ReadOnly: 'never'
        InterfaceSpecific: 1
   info.ConstraintValue
   ans =
      3×1 cell array
        {'none'
        {'voltage'}
        {'time'
   Connect to your instrument to verify the set and get code.
   connect(obj)
   When you issue the set function in the MATLAB software, the tektronix_tds210_ex.mdd
   driver actually sends the CURSor: FUNCtion VBArs command to the instrument.
   obj.CursorType = 'time';
```

When you issue the get function in the MATLAB software, the tektronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd driver actually sends the CURSor:FUNCtion? command to the instrument.

```
obj.CursorType
ans =
   'time'
```

**8** Finally disconnect from the instrument and delete the objects.

```
disconnect(obj)
delete([obj g])
```

## **A MATLAB Code Style Property**

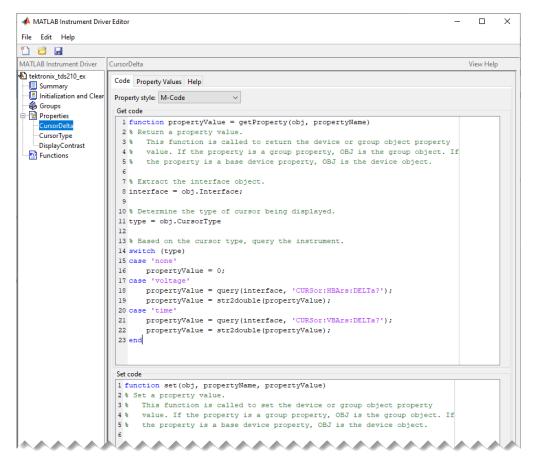
This example creates a property that will return the difference between two cursors of the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope. The oscilloscope allows two types of cursor. It supports a horizontal cursor that measures the vertical units in volts, divisions, or decibels, and a vertical cursor that measures the horizontal units in time or frequency. The previous example created a property, CursorType, that selects and displays the oscilloscope's cursor. In the MATLAB instrument driver editor,

- **1** Select the Properties node in the tree.
- 2 Enter the property name, CursorDelta, in the **New Property** text field and click **Add**. The new property's name, CursorDelta, appears in the **Property Name** table.
- **3** Expand the **Properties** node to display all the defined properties.
- **4** Select the CursorDelta node from the properties displayed in the tree.
- 5 Select the **Code** tab to define the set and get commands for the CursorDelta property.
  - Select M-Code in the **Property style** field.
  - Since the CursorDelta property is read-only, no MATLAB software code will be added to the **Set code** text field.
  - The following MATLAB software code is added to the Get code text field.

```
% Extract the interface object.
interface = obj.Interface;

% Determine the type of cursor being displayed.
type = obj.CursorType

% Based on the cursor type, query the instrument.
switch (type)
case 'none'
    propertyValue = 0;
case 'voltage'
    propertyValue = query(interface, 'CURSor:HBArs:DELTa?');
    propertyValue = str2double(propertyValue);
case 'time'
    propertyValue = query(interface, 'CURSor:VBArs:DELTa?');
    propertyValue = str2double(propertyValue);
end
```



- **6** Select the **Property Values** tab to define the allowed property values.
  - Select Double in the **Data Type** field.
  - Select None in the Constraint field.
- **7** Select the **Help** tab to finish defining the property behavior.
  - Enter 0 in the **Default value** text field.
  - Select always in the **Read only** field.
  - In the Help text field, enter Returns the difference between the two cursors.
- 8 Click the **Save** button.

#### Verifying the Behavior of the Property

This procedure verifies the behavior of the property. In this example, the driver name is tektronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd. Communication with the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope at primary address 2 is done via a Measurement Computing Corporation GPIB board at board index 0. From the MATLAB command line,

**1** Create the device object, **obj**, using the **icdevice** function.

```
g = gpib('mcc',0,2);
obj = icdevice('tektronix_tds210_ex.mdd',g);
```

2 View the CursorDelta property's current value. Calling get on the object lists all its properties.

```
get(obj)
```

```
ConfirmationFcn =
        DriverName = tektronix_tds210_ex.mdd
        DriverType = MATLAB interface object
        InstrumentModel =
        Interface = [1x1 gpib]
        LogicalName = GPIB0-2
        Name = scope-tektronix tds210 ex
        ObjectVisibility = on
        RsrcName =
        Status = closed
        Tag =
        Timeout = 10
        Type = scope
        UserData = []
        SCOPE specific properties:
        CursorDelta = 0
        CursorType = none
        DisplayContrast = 50
3 View the CursorDelta property's current value.
   obj.CursorDelta
   ans =
   Calling set on the object lists all its settable properties. Note that as a read-only property,
   CursorDelta is not listed in the output.
   set(obj)
        ConfirmationFcn: string -or- function handle -or- cell array
        ObjectVisibility: [ {on} | off ]
        Tag:
        Timeout:
        UserData:
        SCOPE specific properties:
        CursorType: [ {none} | voltage | time ]
        DisplayContrast: [ 1.0 to 100.0 ]
5 Setting the property to a value results in an error message.
   obj.CursorDelta = 4;
    Changing the 'CursorDelta' property of device objects is not allowed.
6 View the help you wrote.
    instrhelp(obj,'CursorDelta')
       CURSORDELTA (double) (read only)
       Returns the difference between the two cursors.
7 List the CursorDelta characteristics that you defined in the Property Values and Help tabs.
   info = propinfo(obj, 'CursorDelta')
```

```
info =
  struct with fields:
                   Type: 'double'
            Constraint: 'none'
      ConstraintValue: []
          DefaultValue: 0
    ReadOnly: 'always'
InterfaceSpecific: 1
```

8 Connect to your instrument to verify the get code.

```
connect(obj)
```

When you issue the get function in the MATLAB software, the tektronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd driver actually executes the MATLAB software code that was specified.

```
obj.CursorDelta
ans =
     1,6000
```

9 Finally, disconnect from the instrument and delete the objects.

```
disconnect(obj)
delete([obj g])
```

## **Functions**

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## **Understanding Functions**

Functions allow you to call the instrument to perform some task or tasks, which may return results as text data or numeric data. The function may involve a single command to the instrument, or a sequence of instrument commands. A function may include the MATLAB software code to determine what commands are sent to the instrument or to perform analysis on data returned from the instrument. For example, a function may request that a meter run its self-calibration, returning the status as a result. Another function may read a meter's scaling, request a measurement, adjust the measured data according to the scale reading, and then return the result.

## **Function Components**

The behavior of the function is defined by the components described below.

#### **MATLAB Code**

The MATLAB code defines the code that is executed when the function is evaluated with the invoke function. The code can be defined as an instrument command that will be written to the instrument or it can be defined as the MATLAB software code.

If the code is defined as an instrument command, the instrument command can be defined to take an input argument. All occurrences of <input argument name> in the instrument command are substituted with the input value passed to the invoke function. For example, if a function is defined with an input argument, start, and the instrument command is defined as Data:Start <start>, and a start value of 10 is passed to the invoke function, the command Data:Start 10 is written to the instrument.

If the code is defined as an instrument command, the instrument command can also be defined to return an output argument. The output argument can be returned as numeric data or as text data.

If the code is defined as the MATLAB software code, you can determine which commands are sent to the instrument, and the data results from the instrument can be manipulated, adjusted, or analyzed as needed.

**Note** The code used for your function's MATLAB software code cannot include calls to the fclose or fopen functions on the interface object being used to access your instrument.

### **Help Text**

The help text provides information on the function.

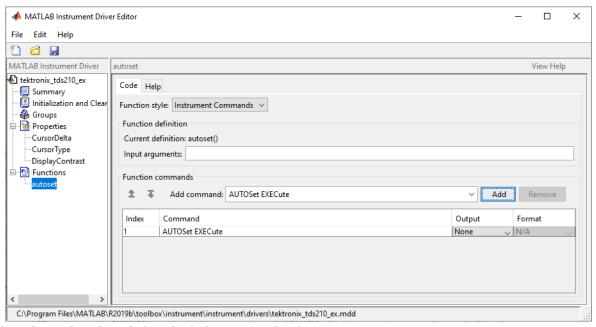
## **Examples of Functions**

This section includes several examples of functions, and steps to verify the behavior of these functions.

## **Simple Function**

This example creates a function that will cause the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope to adjust its vertical, horizontal and trigger controls to display a stable waveform. In the MATLAB instrument driver editor,

- **1** Select the Functions node in the tree.
- 2 Enter the function name, autoset, in the **Add function** text field and click the **Add** button. The new function's name, autoset, appears in the **Function Name** table.
- **3** Expand the Functions node to display all the defined functions.
- **4** Select the autoset node from the functions displayed in the tree.
- **5** Select the **Code** tab to define commands executed for this function.
  - Select Instrument Commands in the Function style field.
  - In the **Function commands** pane, enter AUTOSet EXECute in the **Add command** field and click the **Add** button.



- **6** Select the **Help** tab to define the help text for this function.
  - In the **Help text** field, enter INVOKE(OBJ, 'autoset') causes the oscilloscope to adjust its vertical, horizontal, and trigger controls to display a stable waveform.
- 7 Click the Save button.

#### Verifying the Behavior of the Function

This procedure verifies the behavior of the function. In this example, the driver name is tektronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd. Communication with the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope at primary

address 2 is done via a Measurement Computing Corporation GPIB board at board index 0. From the MATLAB command line,

1 Create the device object, obj, using the icdevice function.

```
g = gpib('mcc',0,2);
obj = icdevice('tektronix_tds210_ex.mdd',g);
```

**2** View the method you created.

```
methods(obj)
```

Methods for class icdevice:

class	display	icdevice	instrnotify	methods	size
connect	end	inspect	instrument	ne	subsasgn
ctranspose	eq	instrcallback	invoke	obj2mfile	subsref
delete	fieldnames	instrfind	isa	openvar	vertcat
devicereset	get	instrfindall	isequal	propinfo	
disconnect	geterror	instrhelp	isvalid	selftest	
disp	horzcat	instrhwinfo	length	set	

Driver specific methods for class icdevice:

autoset

**3** View the help you wrote.

```
instrhelp(obj,'autoset')

INVOKE(OBJ, 'autoset') causes the oscilloscope to adjust its vertical,
horizontal, and trigger controls to display a stable waveform.
```

- 4 Using the controls on the instrument, set the scope so that its display is unstable. For example, set the trigger level outside the waveform range so that the waveform scrolls across the display.
- **5** Connect to your instrument and execute the function. Observe how the display of the waveform stabilizes.

```
connect(obj)
invoke(obj,'autoset')
```

**6** Disconnect from your instrument and delete the object.

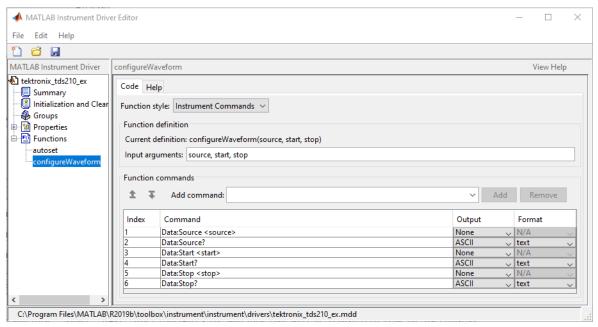
```
disconnect(obj)
delete([obj g])
```

## Function with Instrument Commands that Use Input and Output Arguments

This example creates a function that configures which waveform will be transferred from the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope, and configures the waveform's starting and ending data points. In the MATLAB instrument driver editor.

- **1** Select the Functions node in the tree.
- 2 Enter the function name, configureWaveform, in the **Add function** text field and click the **Add** button. The new function's name, configureWaveform, appears in the **Function Name** pane.
- **3** Expand the Functions node to display all the defined functions.
- 4 Select the configureWaveform node from the functions displayed in the tree.
- **5** Select the **Code** tab to define commands executed for this function.

- Select Instrument Commands in the **Function style** field.
- Enter the input arguments source, start, stop in the **Input arguments** field.
- Enter Data: Source <source> in the Add command field and click the Add button. In the table, select an **Output** type of None and a **Format** type of N/A.
- Similarly, add the command: Data: Source? with ASCII Output and text Format.
- Similarly, add the command: Data:Start <start> with NONE Output and N/A Format.
- Similarly, add the command: Data: Start? with ASCII Output and numeric Format.
- Similarly, add the command: Data: Stop <stop> with NONE Output and N/A Format.
- Similarly, add the command: Data: Stop? with ASCII Output and numeric Format.



- Select the **Help** tab to define the help text for this function.
  - In the **Help text** field, enter [SOURCE, START, STOP] = INVOKE(OBJ, 'configureWaveform', SOURCE, START, STOP) configures the waveform that will be transferred from the oscilloscope.
- 7 Click the **Save** button.

## Verifying the Behavior of the Function

This procedure verifies the behavior of the function. In this example, the driver name is tektronix tds210 ex.mdd. Communication with the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope at primary address 2 is done via a Measurement Computing Corporation GPIB board at board index 0. From the MATLAB command line.

Create the device object, obj, using the icdevice function.

```
g = gpib('mcc', 0, 2);
obj = icdevice('tektronix_tds210_ex.mdd',g);
```

**2** View the method you created.

```
methods(obj)
```

```
Methods for class icdevice:
   class
                       fieldnames
                                           instrhwinfo
                                                               obj2mfile
   connect
                       get
                                           instrnotify
                                                               openvar
                                           instrument
   ctranspose
                       geterror
                                                               propinfo
   delete
                       horzcat
                                           invoke
                                                               selftest
   devicereset
                       icdevice
                                           isa
                                                               set
   disconnect
                       inspect
                                           isequal
                                                               size
   disp
                       instrcallback
                                           isvalid
                                                               subsasgn
   display
                       instrfind
                                           lenath
                                                               subsref
   end
                       instrfindall
                                           methods
                                                               vertcat
                       instrhelp
   eq
   Driver specific methods for class icdevice:
                       configureWaveform
   autoset
3 View the help you wrote.
   instrhelp(obj,'configureWaveform')
       [SOURCE, START, STOP] = INVOKE(OBJ, 'configureWaveform', SOURCE, START,
       STOP) configures the waveform that will be transferred from the oscilloscope.
  Connect to your instrument and execute the function.
    connect(obj)
    [source, start, stop] = invoke(obj, 'configureWaveform', 'CH1', 1,500)
   source =
        'CH1'
   start =
        1
    stop =
            500
    [source, start, stop] = invoke(obj, 'configureWaveform', 'CH2', 0, 3500)
   source =
        'CH2'
    start =
        1
```

stop =

Disconnect from your instrument and delete the object.

```
disconnect(obj)
delete([obj g])
```

## **MATLAB Code Style Function**

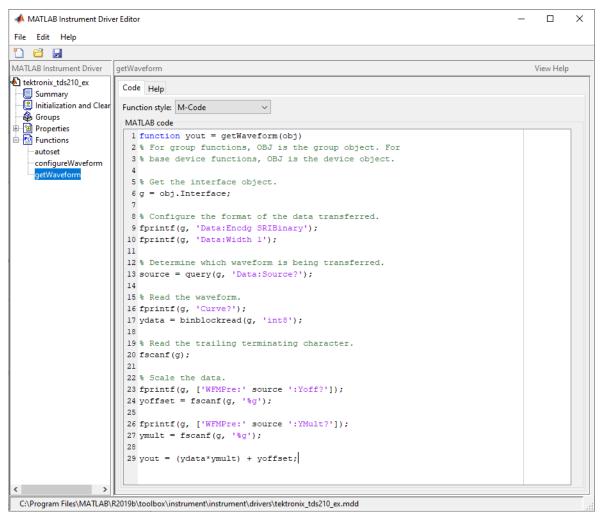
This example creates a function that will transfer and scale the waveform from the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope. In the MATLAB instrument driver editor,

- Select the Functions node in the tree. 1
- Enter the function name, getWaveform, in the Add function text field and click the Add button. 2 The new function's name, getWaveform, appears in the **Function Name** table.
- Expand the Functions node to display all the defined functions. 3
- Select the getWaveform node from the functions displayed in the tree.
- Select the **Code** tab to define commands executed for this function.
  - Select M-Code in the **Function style** field.
  - Update the function line in the **Define MATLAB function** text field to include an output argument.

```
function yout = getWaveform(obj)
```

 Add the following MATLAB software code to the **Define MATLAB function** text field. (The instrument may require a short pause before any statements that read a waveform, to allow its completion of the data collection.)

```
% Get the interface object.
g = obj.Interface;
% Configure the format of the data transferred.
fprintf(g, 'Data:Encdg SRIBinary');
fprintf(g, 'Data:Width 1');
% Determine which waveform is being transferred.
source = query(g, 'Data:Source?');
% Read the waveform.
fprintf(q, 'Curve?');
ydata = binblockread(g, 'int8');
% Read the trailing terminating character.
fscanf(q);
% Scale the data.
fprintf(g, ['WFMPre:' source ':Yoff?']);
yoffset = fscanf(g, '%g');
fprintf(g, ['WFMPre:' source ':YMult?']);
ymult = fscanf(g, '%g');
yout = (ydata*ymult) + yoffset;
```



- **6** Click the **Help** tab to define the help text for this function.
  - In the **Help text** field, enter DATA = INVOKE(OBJ, 'getWaveform') transfers and scales the waveform from the oscilloscope.
- 7 Click the Save button.

### **Verifying the Behavior of the Function**

This procedure verifies the behavior of the function. In this example, the driver name is tektronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd. Communication with the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope at primary address 2 is done via a Measurement Computing Corporation GPIB board at board index 0. From the MATLAB command line,

1 Create the device object, obj, using the icdevice function.

```
g = gpib('mcc',0,2);
obj = icdevice('tektronix_tds210_ex.mdd',g);
```

**2** View the method you created.

```
methods(obj)

Methods for class icdevice:
```

```
class
                       fieldnames
                                          instrhwinfo
                                                              obj2mfile
   connect
                                          instrnotify
                                                              openvar
                       get
   ctranspose
                       geterror
                                          instrument
                                                              propinfo
   delete
                       horzcat
                                          invoke
                                                              selftest
   devicereset
                       icdevice
                                          isa
                                                              set
                                          isequal
   disconnect
                       inspect
                                                              size
                                          isvalid
                       instrcallback
   disp
                                                             subsasgn
   display
                       instrfind
                                          length
                                                              subsref
   end
                       instrfindall
                                          methods
                                                              vertcat
                       instrhelp
   eq
   Driver specific methods for class icdevice:
                       configureWaveform getWaveform
   autoset
3 View the help you wrote.
   instrhelp(obj,'getWaveform')
      DATA = INVOKE(OBJ, 'getWaveform') transfers and scales the waveform from
      the oscilloscope.
  Connect to your instrument and execute the function.
   connect(obj)
   Configure the waveform that is going to be transferred.
   invoke(obj,'configureWaveform','CH1',1,500);
   Transfer the waveform.
   data = invoke(obj,'getWaveform');
   Analyze and view the waveform.
   size(data)
   ans =
      500
              1
   plot(data)
5 Disconnect from your instrument and delete the object.
   disconnect(obj)
   delete([obj g])
```

# **Groups**

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## **Group Components**

A group may be used to set or query the same property on several elements, or to query several related properties, at the same time. For example, all input channels on an oscilloscope can be scaled to the same value with a single command; or all current measurement setups can be retrieved and viewed at the same time.

A group consists of one or more group objects. The objects in the group share a set of properties and functions. Using these properties and functions you can control the features of the instrument represented by the group. In order for the group objects to control the instrument correctly, the group must define a selection command for the group and an identification string for each object in the group.

#### **Selection Command**

The selection command is an instrument command that configures the instrument to use the capability or physical component represented by the current group object. Note, the instrument might not have a selection command.

#### **Identification String**

The identification string identifies an object in the group. The number of identification strings listed by the group defines the number of objects in the group. The identification string can be substituted into the instrument commands written to the instrument.

When a group object instrument command is written to the instrument, the following steps occur:

- **1** The selection command for the group is determined by the driver.
- **2** The identification string for the group object is determined by the driver.
- **3** If the selection command contains the string <ID>, it is replaced with the identification string.
- **4** The selection command is written to the instrument. If empty, nothing is written to the instrument.
- 5 If the instrument command contains the string <ID>, it is replaced with the identification string.
- **6** The instrument command is written to the instrument.

# **Examples of Groups**

This section includes several examples of groups, with steps to verify the code.

#### **Creating a One-Element Group**

This example combines the trigger capabilities of the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope into a trigger group. The oscilloscope allows the trigger source and slope settings to be configured. In the MATLAB instrument driver editor,

- Select the Groups node in the tree. 1
- 2 Enter the group name, Trigger, in the Add Group text field and click Add.
- Expand the Groups node to display all the defined groups. 3
- Select the Trigger node in the tree.
- Select the **Definition** tab.

Since the oscilloscope has only one trigger, there is not a command that will select the current trigger. The **Selection command** text field will remain empty.



Select the **Help** tab to finish defining the group behavior.

In the **Help text** field, enter Trigger is a trigger group. The trigger group object contains properties that configure and query the oscilloscope's triggering capabilities.

Click the **Save** button.

#### Verifying the Group Behavior

This procedure verifies the group information defined. In this example, the driver name is tektronix tds210 ex.mdd. Communication with the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope at primary address 2 is done via a Measurement Computing Corporation GPIB board at board index 0. From the MATLAB command line,

Create the device object, obj, using the icdevice function. 1

```
g = gpib('mcc', 0, 2);
obj = icdevice('tektronix_tds210_ex.mdd',g);
```

2 View the group you created. Note that the HwName property is the group object identification string.

## obj.Trigger

```
HwIndex:
           HwName:
                                       Name:
                       Type:
           Trigger1
                     scope-trigger
                                       Trigger1
```

**3** View the help.

```
instrhelp(obj, 'Trigger')
TRIGGER
```

Trigger is a trigger group. The trigger group object contains properties that configure and query the oscilloscope's triggering capabilities.

**4** Delete the objects.

```
delete([obj g])
```

## **Defining the Group Object Properties for a One-Element Group**

This example defines the properties for the Trigger group object created in the previous example. The Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope can trigger from CH1 or CH2 when the data has a rising or falling slope.

First, the properties Source and Slope are added to the trigger group object. In the MATLAB instrument driver editor,

- **1** Expand the Trigger group node to display the group object's properties and functions.
- **2** Select the **Properties** node to define the **Trigger** group object properties.
- 3 Enter the property name Source in the Add property text field and click the Add button
- 4 Enter the property name Slope in the **Add property** text field and click the **Add** button.
- **5** Expand the Properties node to display the group object's properties.

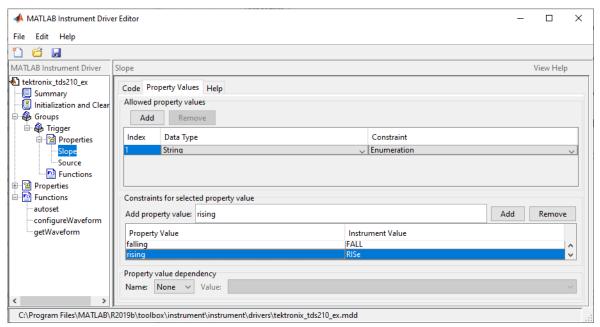
Next, define the behavior of the Source property:

- **1** Select the Source node in the tree.
- 2 Select the **Code** tab to define the set and get commands for the Source property.
  - Select Instrument Commands in the **Property style** field.
  - Enter TRIGger: MAIn: EDGE: SOUrce? in the **Get command** text field.
  - Enter TRIGger: MAIn: EDGE: SOUrce in the **Set command** text field.
- **3** Select the **Property Values** tab to define the allowed property values.
  - Select String in the **Data Type** field.
  - Select Enumeration in the Constraint field.
  - Enter CH1 in the **Add property value** text field and click the **Add** button. Then enter CH1 in the **Instrument Value** table field.
  - Similarly, add the enumeration: CH2, CH2.
- **4** Select the **Help** tab to finish defining the property behavior.
  - Enter CH1 in the **Default value** text field.
  - Select never in the Read only field.
  - In the **Help text** field, enter Specifies the source for the main edge trigger.

Next, define the behavior of the Slope property:

- **1** Select the **Slope** node in the tree.
- 2 Select the **Code** tab to define the set and get commands for the **Slope** property.

- Select Instrument Commands in the **Property style** field.
- Enter TRIGger: MAIn: EDGE: SLOpe? in the **Get command** text field.
- Enter TRIGger: MAIn: EDGE: SLOpe in the **Set command** text field.
- **3** Select the **Property Values** tab to define the allowed property values.
  - Select String in the **Data Type** field.
  - Select Enumeration in the Constraint field.
  - Enter falling in the Add property value text field and click the Add button. Then enter FALL in the Instrument Value table field.
  - Similarly add the enumeration: rising, RISe.



- **4** Select the **Help** tab to finish defining the property behavior.
  - Enter falling in the **Default value** text field.
  - Select never in the **Read only** field.
  - In the **Help text** field, enter Specifies a rising or falling slope for the main edge trigger.
- **5** Click the **Save** button.

#### Verifying Properties of the Group Object in MATLAB

This procedure verifies the properties of the Trigger group object. In this example, the driver name is tektronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd. Communication with the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope at primary address 2 is done via a Measurement Computing Corporation GPIB board at board index 0. From the MATLAB command line,

**1** Create the device object, obj, using the icdevice function.

```
g = gpib('mcc',0,2);
obj = icdevice('tektronix_tds210_ex.mdd',g);
```

**2** Extract the trigger group objects, t, from the device object.

```
t = obj.Trigger
```

```
HwIndex:
                   HwName:
                                 Type:
                                                   Name:
                                 scope-trigger
       1
                    Trigger1
                                                   Trigger1
  Access specific properties to list its current value.
   t.Source
   ans =
        'CH1'
   t.Slope
   ans =
  Calling set on a specific property lists the values to which you can set the property.
    set(t, 'Source')
    [ {CH1} | CH2 ]
   set(t, 'Slope')
    [ {falling} | rising ]
5 Try setting the property to valid and invalid values.
   t.Source = 'CH2';
   t.Slope = 'rising';
   t.Source
    ans =
        'CH2'
   t.Slope
    ans =
        'rising'
   t.Source = 'CH3'
   There is no enumerated value named 'CH3'.
   t.Slope = 'steady'
    There is no enumerated value named 'steady'.
6 View the help you wrote.
    instrhelp(t,'Source')
       SOURCE [ {CH1} | CH2 ]
```

```
Specifies the source for the main edge trigger.
 instrhelp(t,'Slope')
     SLOPE [ {falling} | rising ]
     Specifies a rising or falling slope for the main edge trigger.
List the group object characteristics that you defined in the Property Values and Help tabs.
 propinfo(t,'Source')
 ans =
    struct with fields:
              Type: 'string'
Constraint: 'enum'
        ConstraintValue: {2×1 cell}
            DefaultValue: 'CH1'
ReadOnly: 'never'
      InterfaceSpecific: 1
 propinfo(t,'Slope')
 ans =
    struct with fields:
                      Type: 'string'
               Constraint: 'enum'
      ConstraintValue: {2×1 cell}
DefaultValue: 'falling'
ReadOnly: 'never'
InterfaceSpecific: 1
 Connect to your instrument to verify the set and get code.
 connect(obj)
```

**Note** When you issue the get function on the Source property for the trigger object, the textronix tds210 ex.mdd driver actually sends the TRIGger: MAIn: EDGE: SOUrce? command to the instrument.

```
t.Source
ans =
    'CH1'
```

**Note** When you issue the set function on the Slope property for the trigger object, the textronix tds210 ex.mdd driver actually sends the TRIGger:MAIn:EDGE:SLOpe RISe command to the instrument.

```
t.Slope = 'rising';
```

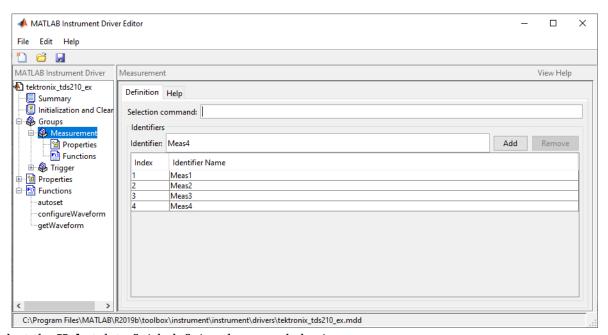
**9** Disconnect from your instrument and delete the objects.

```
disconnect(obj)
delete([obj g])
```

## Creating a Four-Element Group

This example combines the measurement capabilities of the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope into a measurement group. The oscilloscope allows four measurements to be taken at a time. In the MATLAB instrument driver editor.

- **1** Select the **Groups** node in the tree.
- 2 Enter the group name, Measurement, in the Add group text field and click Add.
- **3** Expand the **Groups** node to display all the defined groups.
- **4** Select the Measurement node in the tree.
- **5** Select the **Definition** tab.
  - The oscilloscope does not define an instrument command that will define the measurement that is currently being calculated. The **Selection command** text field will remain empty.
  - In the **Identifier Name** listing, change Measurement1 to Meas1 to define the identification string for the first measurement group object in the group.
  - Enter the identifiers Meas2, Meas3, and Meas4 for the remaining measurement group objects by typing each in the **Identifier** text field and clicking **Add** after each.



- **6** Select the **Help** tab to finish defining the group behavior.
  - In the **Help text** field, enter Measurement is an array of measurement group objects. A measurement group object contains properties related to each supported measurement on the oscilloscope.
- 7 Click the Save button.

## Verifying the Group Behavior

This procedure verifies the group information defined. In this example, the driver name is tektronix tds210 ex.mdd. Communication with the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope at primary address 2 is done via a Measurement Computing Corporation GPIB board at board index 0. From the MATLAB command line.

Create the device object, obj, using the icdevice function.

```
g = gpib('mcc', 0, 2);
obj = icdevice('tektronix tds210 ex.mdd',g);
```

View the group you created. Note that the HwName property is the group object get (obj).

### obj.Measurement

```
HwIndex:
           HwName:
                      Type:
                                          Name:
1
           Meas1
                                          Measurement1
                      scope-measurement
2
           Meas2
                     scope-measurement
                                          Measurement2
3
           Meas3
                      scope-measurement
                                          Measurement3
4
           Meas4
                                          Measurement4
                      scope-measurement
```

View the help.

```
instrhelp(obj,'Measurement')
```

#### **MEASUREMENT**

Measurement is an array of measurement group objects. A measurement group object contains properties related to each supported measurement on the oscilloscope.

Delete the objects.

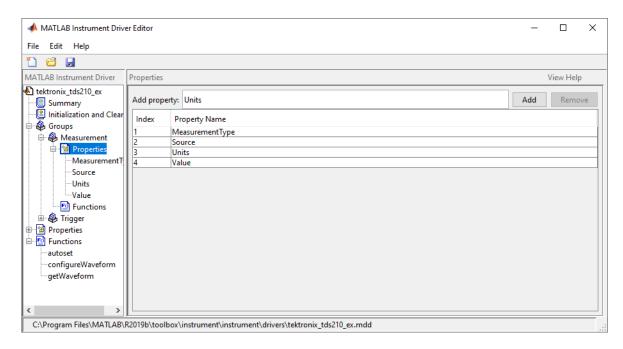
```
delete([obj g])
```

## Defining the Group Object Properties for a Four-Element Group

This example defines the properties for the Measurement group object created in the previous example. The Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope can calculate the frequency, mean, period, peak to peak value, root mean square, rise time, fall time, positive pulse width, or negative pulse width of the waveform of Channel 1 or Channel 2.

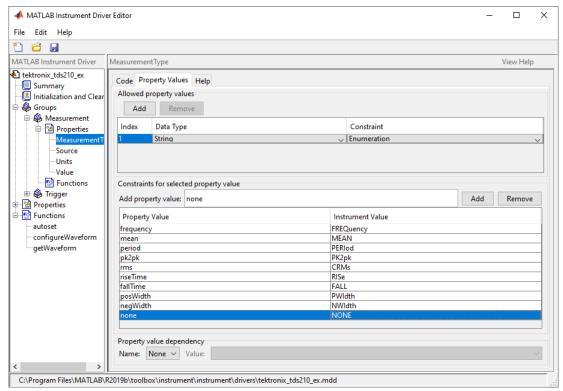
First, the properties MeasurementType, Source, Value, and Units will be added to the Measurement group object.

- Expand the Measurement group node to display the group object's properties and methods.
- Select the Properties node to define the Measurement group object properties. 2
- 3 Enter the property name MeasurementType in the Add property text field and click the Add
- 4 Enter the property name Source in the **Add property** text field and click the **Add** button.
- 5 Enter the property name Value in the **Add property** text field and click the **Add** button.
- Enter the property name Units in the **Add property** text field and click the **Add** button.
- Expand the Properties node to display the group object's properties.



Next, define the behavior of the MeasurementType property:

- **1** Select the MeasurementType node in the tree.
- 2 Select the Code tab to define the set and get commands for the MeasurementType property.
  - Select Instrument Commands in the **Property style** field.
  - Enter Measurement: <ID>: Type? in the **Get command** text field.
  - Enter Measurement: <ID>: Type in the **Set command** text field.
- **3** Select the **Property Values** tab to define the allowed property values.
  - Select String in the **Data Type** field.
  - Select Enumeration in the Constraint field.
  - Enter frequency in the **Add property value** text field and click the **Add** button. Then enter FREQuency in the **Instrument Value** table field.
  - Add the enumeration: mean, MEAN.
  - Add the enumeration: period, PERIod.
  - Add the enumeration: pk2pk, PK2pk.
  - Add the enumeration: rms, CRMs.
  - Add the enumeration: riseTime, RISe.
  - Add the enumeration: fallTime, FALL.
  - Add the enumeration: posWidth, PWIdth.
  - Add the enumeration: negWidth, NWIdth.
  - Add the enumeration: none, NONE.



- **4** Select the **Help** tab to finish defining the property behavior.
  - Enter none in the **Default value** text field.
  - Select never in the Read only field.
  - In the Help text field, enter Specifies the measurement type.

Next, define the behavior of the Source property.

- **1** Select the Source node in the tree.
- 2 Select the **Code** tab to define the set and get commands for the Source property.
  - Select Instrument Commands in the **Property style** field.
  - Enter Measurement: <ID>: Source? in the **Get command** field.
  - Enter Measurement: <ID>: Source in the **Set command** field.
- **3** Select the **Property Values** tab to define the allowed property values.
  - Select String in the **Data Type** field.
  - Select Enumeration in the Constraint field.
  - Enter CH1 in the **Add property value** text field and click the **Add** button. Then enter CH1 in the **Instrument Value** table field.
  - Similarly add the enumeration: CH2, CH2.
- **4** Select the **Help** tab to finish defining the property behavior.
  - Enter CH1 in the **Default value** text field.
  - Select never in the Read only field.
  - In the Help text field, enter Specifies the source of the measurement.

Next, define the behavior of the Units property.

- **1** Select the Units node in the tree.
- 2 Select the **Code** tab to define the set and get commands for the Units property.
  - Select Instrument Commands in the **Property style** field.
  - Enter Measurement: <ID>: Units? in the Get command text field.
  - Since the Units property is read-only, leave the Set command text field empty.
- **3** Select the **Property Values** tab to define the allowed property values.
  - Select String in the **Data Type** field.
  - Select None in the **Constraint** field.
- **4** Select the **Help** tab to finish defining the property behavior.
  - Enter volts in the **Default value** text field.
  - Select always in the **Read only** field.
  - In the **Help text** field, enter Returns the measurement units.

Finally, define the behavior of the Value property.

- **1** Select the Value node in the tree.
- 2 Select the **Code** tab to define the set and get commands for the Value property.
  - Select Instrument Commands in the **Property style** field.
  - Enter Measurement: <ID>: Value? in the **Get command** text field.
  - Since the Value property is read-only, leave the **Set command** text field empty.
- **3** Select the **Property Values** tab to define the allowed property values.
  - Select Double in the **Data Type** field.
  - Select None in the **Constraint** field.
- **4** Select the **Help** tab to finish defining property behavior.
  - Enter 0 in **Default value** field.
  - Select always in the Read only field.
  - In the **Help text** field, enter Returns the measurement value.
- 5 Click the **Save** button.

## Verifying the Properties of the Group Object in the MATLAB software

This procedure verifies the properties of the measurement group object. In this example, the driver name is tektronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd. Communication with the Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope at primary address 2 is done via a Measurement Computing Corporation GPIB board at board index 0. From the MATLAB command line.

**1** Create the device object, obj, using the icdevice function.

```
g = gpib('mcc',0,2);
obj = icdevice('tektronix_tds210_ex.mdd',g);
```

**2** Extract the measurement group objects, m, from the device object.

```
m = obj.Measurement
```

HwIndex: HwName: Type: Name:

```
1
            Meas1
                       scope-measurement
                                            Measurement1
2
            Meas2
                       scope-measurement
                                            Measurement2
3
            Meas3
                       scope-measurement
                                            Measurement3
            Meas4
                       scope-measurement
                                            Measurement4
```

View the current values for the properties of the first group object. Calling get on the object lists all its properties.

m(1)

```
HwIndex:
            HwName:
                        Type:
                                              Name:
            Meas1
                        scope-measurement
                                              Measurement1
```

Calling get on a specific property lists its current value.

```
m(1).MeasurementType
```

```
ans =
    'none'
m(1).Source
ans =
    'CH1'
m(1).Units
ans =
    'volts'
m(1).Value
ans =
```

View the acceptable values for the properties of the group object. Calling set on the object lists all its settable properties.

```
set(m(1))
   Name:
   SCOPE-MEASUREMENT specific properties:
   MeasurementType: [ frequency | mean | period | pk2pk | rms | riseTime | fallTime | posWic
   Source: [ {CH1} | CH2 ]
set(m(1),'MeasurementType')
[ frequency | mean | period | pk2pk | rms | riseTime | fallTime | posWidth | negWidth | {none
set(m(1),'Source')
```

**6** Try setting the property to valid and invalid values.

[ {CH1} | CH2 ]

```
m(1).Source = 'CH2'
       HwIndex:
                   HwName:
                                Type:
                                                       Name:
                                scope-measurement
       1
                    Meas1
                                                       Measurement1
                                scope-measurement Measurement2
       2
                    Meas2
                                scope-measurement Measurement3
       3
                    Meas3
       4
                    Meas4
                                scope-measurement
                                                       Measurement4
   m(1).Source
    ans =
        'CH2'
   m(1).Source = 'CH5'
    There is no enumerated value named 'CH5'.
7 View the help you wrote.
    instrhelp(m(1), 'Value')
       VALUE (double) (read only)
       Returns the measurement value.
   List the group object characteristics that you defined in the Property Values and Help tabs.
    propinfo(m(1), 'Units')
    ans =
      struct with fields:
          Type: 'string'
Constraint: 'none'
ConstraintValue: ''
             DefaultValue: 'volts'
ReadOnly: 'always'
        InterfaceSpecific: 1
   Connect to your instrument to verify the set and get code.
    connect(obj)
    Note When you issue the get function on the MeasurementType property for the first
    measurement object in the group, the textronix tds210 ex.mdd driver actually sends the
   Measurement:Meas1:Type? command to the instrument.
   m(1).MeasurementType
```

ans =

'freequency'

**Note** When you issue the set function on the Source property for the second measurement object in the group, the textronix\_tds210\_ex.mdd driver actually sends the Measurement: Meas2: Source CH2 command to the instrument.

```
m(2).Source = 'CH2';
10 Disconnect from your instrument and delete the objects.
    disconnect(obj)
    delete([obj g])
```

# **Using Existing Drivers**

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"Importing VXIplug&play and IVI Drivers" on page 18-47

## **Modifying MATLAB Instrument Drivers**

If a MATLAB instrument driver does not exist for your instrument, it may be that a MATLAB instrument driver for an instrument similar to yours does exist. Rather than creating a new MATLAB instrument driver, you may choose to edit an existing MATLAB instrument driver. An existing MATLAB instrument driver can be opened in the MATLAB instrument driver editor with the midedit function.

midedit('drivername')

#### **Deleting an Existing Property, Function, or Group**

- **1** Select the property, function, or group in the tree.
- 2 Select the **Edit** menu.
- **3** Select the **Delete** menu item.

#### Renaming an Existing Property, Function, or Group

- **1** Select the property, function, or group in the tree.
- 2 Select the **Edit** menu.
- **3** Select the **Rename** menu item.

#### Other Settings and Tasks

Refer to "Creating MATLAB Instrument Drivers" on page 18-4 for information on

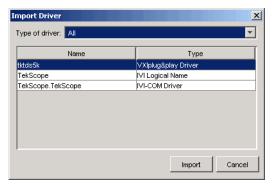
- Defining summary information
- Defining initialization and cleanup code
- · Creating a new property
- Creating a new function
- Creating a new group

# Importing VXIplug&play and IVI Drivers

The MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor can import a VXI*plug&play* or IVI driver. You can evaluate or set the driver's functions and properties, and the modified driver can be saved for further use:

- 1 Open the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor with midedit.
- 2 Click the **File** menu, and select **Import**.

The **Import Driver** dialog box appears, showing the installed VXI*plug&play* and IVI drivers.



Select the desired driver and click Import. 3

The MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor creates a MATLAB instrument driver based on the properties and/or functions in the original VXIplug&play or IVI driver. The editor displays the new driver's summary information, groups, properties, and functions.

With the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor, you can

- Create, delete, modify, or rename properties, functions, or groups
- · Add code around instrument commands for analysis
- · Add create, connect, and disconnect code
- Save the driver as a separate MATLAB VXIplug&play instrument driver or MATLAB IVI instrument driver

# **Using the Instrument Driver Testing Tool**

This chapter describes how to use the Instrument Driver Testing Tool to verify the functionality of your instrument drivers.

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# **Instrument Driver Testing Tool Overview**

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## **Functionality**

This section provides an overview of the MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool and examples showing its capabilities and usage.

The MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool provides a graphical environment for creating a test to verify the functionality of a MATLAB instrument driver.

The MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool provides a way to do the following:

- · Verify property behavior.
- · Verify function behavior.
- Save the test as a test file, a MATLAB code, or driver function.
- Export the test results to MATLAB workspace, figure window, MAT-file, or the MATLAB Variables editor.
- Save test results as an HTML page.

#### **Drivers**

You can use the MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool to test any MATLAB instrument driver, which include:

- · MATLAB interface drivers
- MATLAB VXIplug&play drivers
- MATLAB IVI drivers

MATLAB VXI*plug&play* drivers and MATLAB IVI drivers can be created from VXI*plug&play* and IVI drivers, respectively, using the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor or the makemid function.

#### **Test Structure**

The driver test structure is composed of setup information and test steps.

#### Setup

When setting up or initializing the test, you provide a test name and description, identify the driver to test, define the interface to the instrument, and set the test preferences. This information remains unchanged throughout the execution of the test, and applies to every step.

#### **Test Steps**

The executable portion of the test is divided into any number of test steps. A test step can perform one of four verifications:

- Set property Verify that the set command or set code of a single device object or group object property in the driver does not error, and that the driver supports the defined range for the property value. You can use one value or all supported values for the property. You may also use invalid property values to check the driver's response.
- Get property Verify the reading of a single device object or group object property from the driver.
- Properties sweep Verify several properties in a single step.
- Function Verify the execution of a driver function.

After configuring your test steps, you can execute the steps individually, or run a complete test that executes all the steps in the test.

#### Starting

You start the MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool by typing the MATLAB command

midtest

This opens the tool without any test file loaded.

You may specify a test file (usually created in an earlier session of the tool) when you start the tool so that it opens up with a test file already loaded.

midtest('MyDriverTestfile')

**Note** MIDTEST and the Instrument Driver Testing Tool are unable to open MDDs with non-ascii characters either in their name or path on Mac platforms.

## **Example**

For the examples in this chapter, you will create a test for the Tektronix TDS210 oscilloscope driver that you created in "MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor Overview" on page 18-2.

You will create each kind of step in your test: set property, get property, sweep properties, and function.

# **Setting Up Your Test**

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#### Test File

You can specify a test file to load when you start midtest, open a test file after the MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool is already up, or create a new test. You may find it convenient to keep the driver and test file together in the same directory. For easy use in the MATLAB Command Window, you can put that directory in the MATLAB path with the addpath command.

**Note** MIDTEST and the Instrument Driver Testing Tool are unable to open MDDs with non-ascii characters either in their name or path on Mac platforms.

## **Providing a Name and Description**

The **Name** field allows a one-line text definition for your test. This name appears in the header of the test results in the Output Window.

The **Description** field allows a full definition of the text with as much descriptive text as you need.

# **Specifying the Driver**

In the **Driver** text field, you specify the driver to be tested. This is any MATLAB instrument driver, usually with the .mdd extension. Enter the full path to the driver, or click **Browse** to navigate to the driver's directory.

# Specifying an Interface

You specify the interface with the instrument for the testing of the driver. The instrument object type may be GPIB, VISA, TCPIP, UDP, or serial port. Depending on the type you choose, the **New Object Creation** dialog box prompts you for further configuration information.

The tool then creates a device object based on interface and driver.

# **Setting Test Preferences**

The **Test Preferences** dialog box allows you to set certain behaviors of the tool when running a test.

#### Run Mode

This specifies whether the test runs all the steps or only one step in the test.

#### **Fail Action**

This specifies what happens if a step within the test fails. The test may stop after the failed step or continue, with or without resetting the instrument.

#### **No-error String**

This field specifies the expected string returned from the instrument when there is no error. If you indicate that a step passes when no error is returned from the instrument, the tool compares the string returned from the instrument via the <code>geterror</code> function, to the string given here in the Preferences dialog box. If the strings match, then the tool assumes there is no error from the instrument.

#### **Number of Values to Test**

A double-precision property can be tested using all supported values. You can request this when testing it as a single step, or the tool does it automatically when the property is tested as part of a property sweep step. This field specifies how many values are tested for such a property.

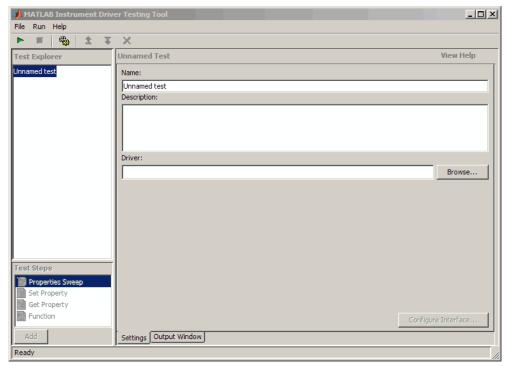
The number of values includes the defined minimum and maximum for the property, and integer values equally spaced between these limits.

If your property requires noninteger values for testing, then create a separate test step for that property instead of including it in a sweep.

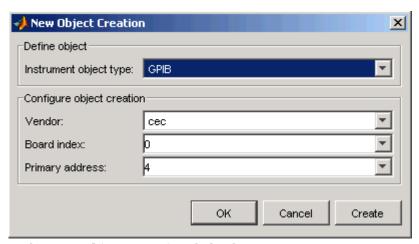
# **Setting Up a Driver Test**

This example identifies the driver to be tested, and defines global setup information for the test. You will be testing the driver created in the examples of "MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor Overview" on page 18-2.

1 Open the MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool from the command line with the command midtest.



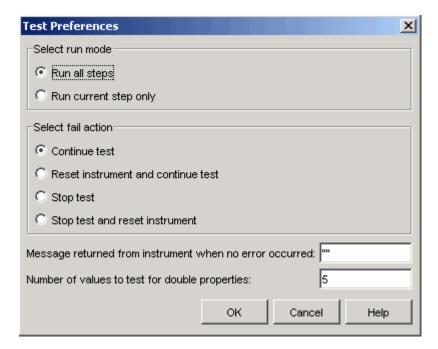
- 2 In the Name text field, enter TDS 210 Driver Sample Test.
- 3 In the **Description** text field, enter A test to check some of the properties and functions of the TDS 210 oscilloscope driver.
- 4 In the **Driver** field, enter the name of the driver you created in "MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor Overview" on page 18-2. The text field will display the whole pathname, with the driver file tektronix tds210 ex.mdd.
- **5** Click the **Create** button to create an instrument interface.



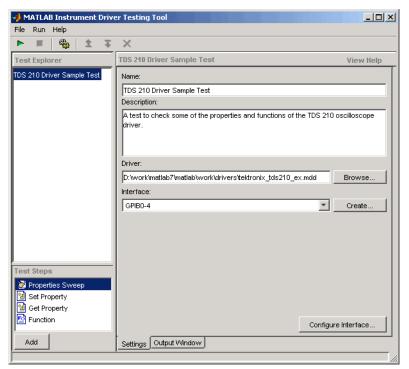
- **6** In the **New Object Creation** dialog box,
  - a Select your Instrument object type, Vendor, Board index, and Primary address of your instrument.

The example illustrations in this chapter use a GPIB board with index 0 and the instrument at address 4. Your configuration may be different.

- b Click **OK**.
- 7 Click the **File** menu and select **Test Preferences**.
- 8 In the **Test Preferences** dialog box,
  - a For Select run mode, click Run all steps.
  - **b** For **Select fail action**, click **Continue test**.
  - c For **Message returned from instrument when no error occurred**, enter "". (This is an empty string in double quotes.)
  - d For Number of values to test for double properties, enter 5.
  - e Click **OK**.



The MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool now displays all your setup information.



Click **File** and select **Save**. Enter tektronix\_tds210\_ex\_test as the filename for your test. The tool automatically adds the .xml file extension.

# **Defining Test Steps**

#### In this section...

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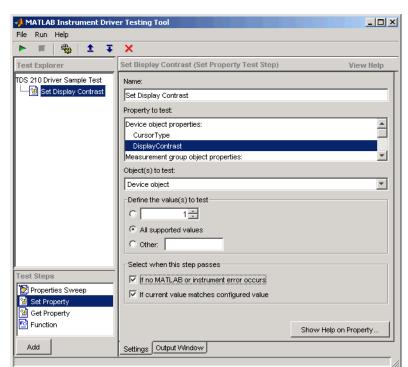
## **Test Step: Set Property**

You use a set property test step to verify a driver's set code or set command for a property. You provide a name for the step, select the driver property to test and the values to test it with, and define the conditions for the step's passing.

Settings	Dscription		
Name	You provide a name for each test step. The name appears in the <b>Test Explorer</b> tree as well as in the results output.		
Property to Test	A set property step can test only one property. You choose the property from the Property to Test list. Additional properties can be tested with additional steps, or with a sweep step.		
Object(s) to Test	A property may be defined for the instrument or for a group object. If you are testing a group object property, you select which object you want tested in the Object(s) to Test list.		
Define the Values to Test	If the property is has enumerated values, you can select one of the defined values, all of the supported values, or some other value. If the property's value is a double-precision number, you can select a value within its defined range, all supported values, or some other value. For a double, you set the number of values tested for all supported values in the Preferences dialog box (see "Number of Values to Test" on page 19-5).		
Select When this Step Passes	<ul> <li>The step passes when one or both of two conditions are met:</li> <li>If no instrument or MATLAB error occurs as a result of attempting to set the property with its test value</li> <li>If a query of the property after it is set returns a specified value</li> <li>If you select more than one of these conditions, then both conditions must be met for the step to pass. If no boxes are selected, the test will pass.</li> </ul>		

#### **Creating a Test Step: Set Property**

- 1 Click the Set Property option in the **Test Steps** list box.
- 2 Click the Add button.
- 3 In the Name field, enter Set Display Contrast.
- 4 In the **Property to test** list, select DisplayContrast.
- **5** For **Define the value(s) to test**, select All supported values.
- **6** For **Select when this step passes**,
  - Select If no MATLAB software or instrument error occurs.



• Select If current value matches configured value.

7 Click **File** and select **Save**.

#### Running a Test Step to Set a Property

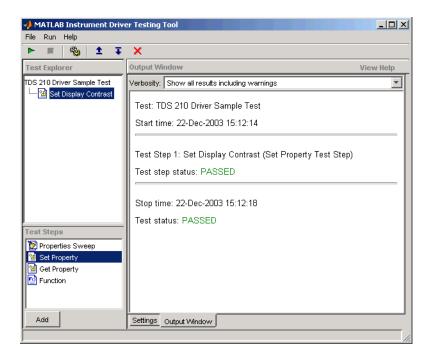
You can run an individual test step to verify its behavior:

- **1** Select Set Display Contrast in the **Test Explorer** tree.
- **2** With the cursor on the selected name, right-click to bring up the context menu.
- 3 In the context menu, select **Run this step only**.



You may want to repeat this step as you observe the oscilloscope display. The test sets the display contrast to five different values: lowest acceptable value (1%), highest acceptable value (100%), and three approximately equally spaced integer values between these limits.

The tool automatically displays the **Output Window** with the test results.



This test step passed because, for each of the five display contrast settings, the tool read back a value that was equal to the configured value.

# **Test Step: Get Property**

You use a get property test step to verify a driver's ability to read a property. You provide a name for the step, select the driver property to test, and define the conditions for the step's passing.

#### **Settings**

The settings for the get property step are the same as for a "Test Step: Set Property" on page 19-9, except that instead of providing a value to write, you can provide an output argument variable.

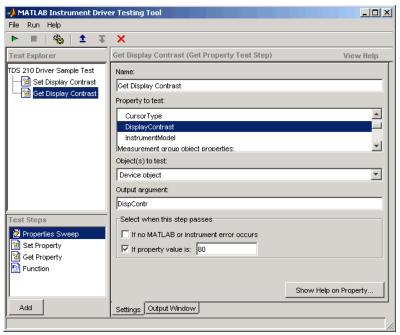
#### **Output Argument**

The test step assigns the optional output argument variable the value that results from reading the property. The variable is available for "Exporting Results" on page 19-22, after the test step has executed.

#### Creating a Test Step: Get Property

- 1 Click the Get Property option in the **Test Step** field.
- 2 Click the **Add** button.
- 3 In the Name field, enter Getting Display Contrast.
- 4 In the **Property to test** list, select DisplayContrast.
- 5 In the **Output argument** field, enter **DispContr**.
- 6 For Select when this step passes,
  - Unselect the box for If no MATLAB software or instrument error occurs.
  - Select If property value is, and enter a value of 80.

This value is chosen to generate a failure. If this step follows the previous step in the example, the display contrast is still set at 100. If this step is run by itself, the display contrast is set to 50 by the \*RST command that is executed as part of your connect code for the driver.



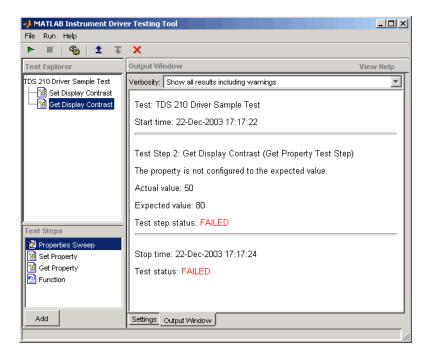
7 Click File and select Save.

#### Running a Test Step to Get a Property

You run the individual test step to verify its behavior.

- 1 Select Get Display Contrast in the **Test Explorer** tree.
- **2** With the cursor on the selected name, click the right mouse button to bring up the context menu.
- **3** In the context menu, select **Run this step only**.

Note that the test fails, reading a value of 50 while expecting a value of 80.



#### **Test Step: Properties Sweep**

A properties sweep step allows you to test several properties in a single step. All selected properties are tested for all supported values. (In the case of properties with double-precision values, you determine the "Number of Values to Test" on page 19-5, in the **Test Preferences** dialog box.)

#### **Settings**

The fields for name and passing conditions are the same as other types of test steps. The sweep step also requires that you select which properties and groups to test.

#### **Select the Properties to Test**

You may select any or all of the properties for testing in a sweep step. You may find it convenient to create several sweep steps for testing related groups properties together.

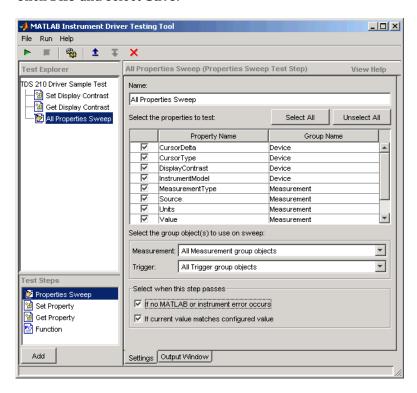
#### Select the Group Object to Use on Sweep

For those properties defined for group objects, you can select a particular group object to test, or all the group objects. You can also define different sweep steps for different group objects.

#### Creating a Sweep Step to Test All Properties

- 1 Click the Properties Sweep option in the **Test Step** field.
- **2** Click the **Add** button.
- 3 In the Name field, enter All Properties Sweep.
- **4** For **Select the properties to test**, click **Select All**.
- **5** In the Select the group object(s) field,
  - For the **Measurement** group, select All Measurement group objects.
  - For the **Trigger** group, select All Trigger group objects.
- **6** For Select when this step passes,

- Select If no MATLAB software or instrument error occurs, and
- Select If current value matches configured value
- 7 Click **File** and select **Save**.

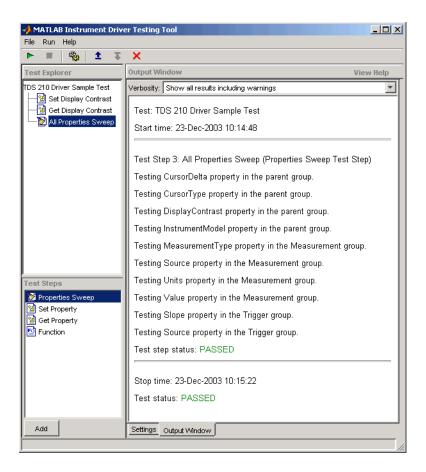


#### **Running a Sweep Step to Test All Properties**

You run the sweep test step to verify its behavior.

- 1 Select All Properties Sweep in the **Test Explorer** tree.
- **2** With the cursor on the selected name, click the right mouse button to bring up the context menu.
- **3** In the context menu, select **Run this step only**.

The **Output Window** is updated as each property in the sweep is tested. Note that the entire sweep is only one step in the overall test.



# **Test Step: Function**

A function test step sends a function call to the instrument. You select the function called, the input data and output arguments (if required), and the conditions for passing.

#### **Settings**

#### Name

You provide a name for each test step. The name appears in the **Test Explorer** tree as well as in the results output.

#### **Function to test**

A function step can test only one function. You choose the function from the **Function to test** list. Additional functions can be tested with additional steps.

#### **Function definition**

The tool displays below the selected function what the call command for the function looks like. This helps you when deciding what input and output arguments to supply.

#### Input argument(s) and Output argument(s)

You provide input arguments as a comma-separated list of data, strings, character vectors, or whatever the function is expecting.

You provide output argument variable for any data returned from the function. The output arguments can be used to determine if the test step passes, or for "Exporting Results" on page 19-22 after the test step has executed.

#### Select when this step passes

The step passes when any of three conditions is met:

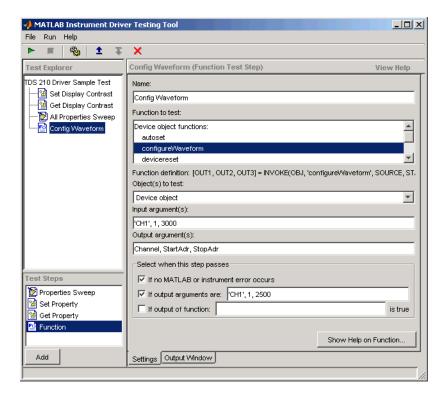
- If no instrument or MATLAB software error occurs as a result of attempting to execute the function
- If the returned output arguments match expected values
- If the output of a specified function is true

If you select more than one of these conditions, then all selected conditions must be met for the step to pass. If no boxes are selected, the test will pass.

#### **Creating a Test Step: Function**

- 1 Click the Function option in the **Test Step** field.
- **2** Click the **Add** button.
- 3 In the Name field, enter Config Waveform.
- 4 In the **Function to test** list, select configureWaveform.
- 5 In the **Input argument(s)** field, type 'CH1', 1, 3000.
- 6 In the Output argument(s) field, type Channel, StartAdr, StopAdr.
- 7 For Select when this step passes,
  - Select If no MATLAB software or instrument error occurs.
  - Select **If output arguments are**, and enter in its field 'CH1', 1, 2500.
  - Unselect If output of function ... is true.
- 8 Click **File** and select **Save**.

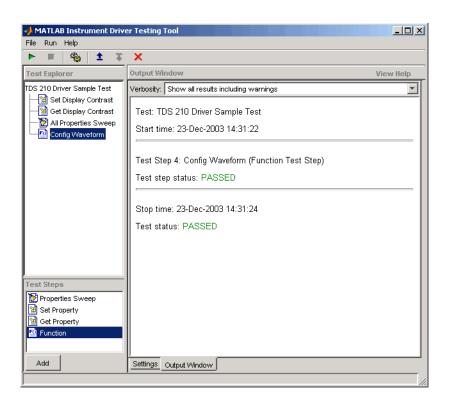
Note that you set the input argument for the stop address to 3000, but you set the expected value for its output argument, StopAdr, to 2500. This is because the maximum address of the oscilloscope is 2500. If you attempt to exceed that value, the oscilloscope address is set to the maximum.



#### Running a Test Step to Test a Function

You can run an individual test step to verify its behavior

- 1 Select Config Waveform in the **Test Explorer** tree.
- With the cursor on the selected name, click the right mouse button to bring up the context menu.
- **3** In the context menu, select **Run this step only**.



# **Saving Your Test**

#### In this section...

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## Saving the Test as MATLAB Code

In the preceding examples of this chapter, you have been saving the test file after creating each step. The test file is saved in XML format. Here are some other save options.

You save the test file as MATLAB code by clicking the **File** menu and selecting **Save Test as M-Code**.

You can execute the test by calling this file from the MATLAB Command Window.

For example, you can save the test file you created in this chapter as tektronix\_tds210\_ex\_test.m. Then you execute the test from the MATLAB Command Window by typing

tektronix\_tds210\_ex\_test

The test results are displayed in the MATLAB Command Window.

# Saving the Test as a Driver Function

You save your test as a driver function by clicking the **File** menu and selecting **Save Test as Driver Function**.



When you enter a name for the driver test function, the invoke command at the bottom of the dialog box reflects that name. You use that invoke command to execute the driver function from the MATLAB Command Window or in a file.

#### **Creating a Driver Test Function**

- 1 Click the **File** menu and select **Save Test as Driver Function**.
- 2 Enter drivertest in the **Specify the driver function name** field.
- 3 Click OK.

A function called drivertest is created and saved as part of the instrument driver file. You can open the driver file in the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor tool (midedit) to verify that the drivertest function is included.

#### Calling a Driver Test Function from the MATLAB Command Window

Now that the test function is included in the driver, you access it with the invoke command from MATLAB.

In the MATLAB Command Window,

1 Create an interface object.

```
g = gpib('cec', 0, 4)
```

2 Create a device object, specifying the driver with the drivertest function saved in it.

```
obj = icdevice('tektronix_tds210_ex.mdd',g)
```

**3** Connect to the device.

```
connect(obj)
```

**4** Execute the driver test.

```
out = invoke(obj, 'drivertest')
```

**5** When the test is complete, disconnect from the instrument and delete the objects.

```
disconnect(obj)
delete ([g obj])
```

# **Testing and Results**

#### In this section...

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## **Running All Steps**

So far in this chapter, you have only run individual test steps after each was created.

When you run the entire test, all the test steps run in the order listed in the **Test Explorer** tree. Using the mouse, you may drag the nodes of the tree to alter their sequence.

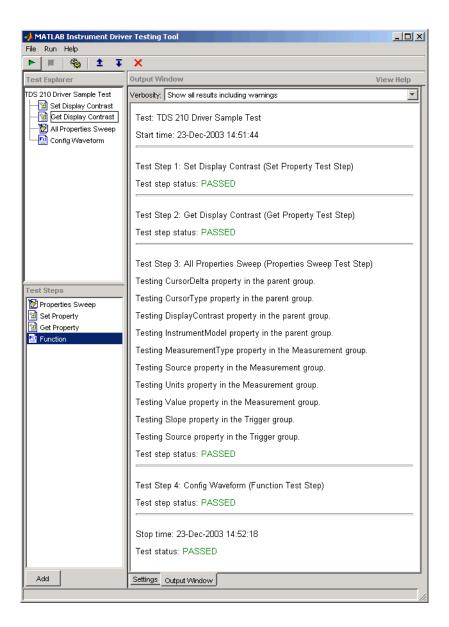
The **Output Window** displays the results of each step, along with a final result of the complete test.

#### **Running a Complete Test**

- 1 Select Get Display Contrast in the **Test Explorer** tree.
- 2 In the **Select when this step passes** field, change the **If property value is** entry from 80 to 100.

Earlier you entered a value of 80 to illustrate what a failure looks like. The display contrast is left at 100 from the Set Display Contrast test step, so that is what you will test for in the next step.

- **3** Click **File** and select **Save**.
- **4** Click the green arrow button to start a test run.



# **Partial Testing**

Using the context menu in the **Test Explorer** tree, you can run a partial test of either an individual test step, or from the chosen test step through the end of the test.

# **Exporting Results**

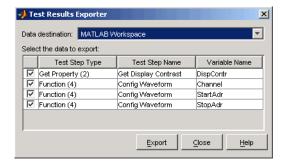
You can export the test results to many locations:

- MATLAB workspace
- MATLAB figure window
- MAT-file
- · MATLAB Variables editor

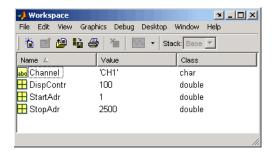
The results you can export are those assigned to output variables in the settings for a test step.

#### **Exporting Test Results to the MATLAB Workspace**

- 1 Click the **File** menu and select **Export Test Results**.
- 2 In the **Test Results Exporter** dialog box, select MATLAB Workspace as the **Data destination**.
  - By default, all the variables are selected. You may unselect any.
- **3** Click the **Export** button.



The variables are now available in the MATLAB workspace, with values that were established by the test run.



# **Saving Results**

You save your test results in an HTML file by clicking the **File** menu and selecting **Save Test Results**. The format of the results in this file reflects their appearance in the tester tool's **Output Window**.

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# **How to Use This Troubleshooting Guide**

If you have trouble connecting to or communicating with an instrument, try the suggestions in this guide.

The first thing to check is that your instrument is supported with the toolbox. See "Is My Hardware Supported?" on page 20-4 for information about supported interfaces and supported hardware.

For connection and communication issues using a specific interface, see the section about that interface. For example, if you are having trouble using an instrument over the Bluetooth interface, refer to the Bluetooth section. Each interface section covers platform support, interface requirements, and troubleshooting tips and procedures for that interface.

If you are using VISA with another interface, try reading the sections for both interfaces. For example, if you are using VISA with UDP, try reading the sections on both VISA ("IVI, VISA, and the Quick Control Interfaces" topic) and UDP.

If you are having trouble with deployment or use of the MATLAB Compiler™, see "Deploying Standalone Applications with Instrument Control Toolbox" on page 20-36.

If you need to contact MathWorks Technical Support, read "Contact MathWorks and Use the instrsupport Function" on page 20-39 first. The instrsupport function runs diagnostics and provides useful information that may help solve your problem.

# Is My Hardware Supported?

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## **Supported Interfaces**

The Instrument Control Toolbox supports the use of instruments and communication via the following interfaces. The table lists the interface support by platform. Notes after the table contain more specific information.

Feature	64-bit MATLAB on Windows	64-bit MATLAB on macOS	64-bit MATLAB on Linux
Serial	supported	supported	supported
TCP/IP	supported	supported	supported
UDP	supported	supported	supported
VISA <sup>3</sup>	supported <sup>1</sup>	supported on two vendors <sup>1, 3</sup>	
GPIB <sup>4</sup>	supported <sup>1</sup>		supported <sup>1</sup>
I2C <sup>5</sup>	supported <sup>1</sup>	supported <sup>1</sup>	supported <sup>1</sup>
SPI <sup>5</sup>	supported <sup>1</sup>	supported <sup>1</sup>	supported <sup>1</sup>
Quick-Control Oscilloscope, Quick- Control Function Generator, Quick- Control RF Signal Generator	supported <sup>2</sup>	supported <sup>2</sup>	supported <sup>2</sup>
MATLAB Instrument Drivers	supported	supported	supported
MATLAB Instrument Drivers made using IVI- C drivers and Instrument Wrappers for IVI-C drivers	supported <sup>1</sup>		

#### **Table Notes**

- 1. Dependent on support by third-party vendor driver for the hardware on this platform.
- 2. Dependent on third-party vendor support of platform when using an IVI-driver with Quick-Control Oscilloscope or Quick-Control Function Generator.
- 3. Requires Keysight (formerly Agilent), National Instruments, Rohde & Schwarz R&S VISA, or TAMS VISA compliant with VISA specification 5.0 or higher for any platform. Only National Instruments VISA and Rohde & Schwarz R&S VISA are supported on macOS. The other vendors' VISA support does not include macOS.

- 4. Requires Keysight (formerly Agilent), ICS Electronics, Measurement Computing (MCC), ADLINK Technology, or National Instruments hardware and driver.
- 5. Requires Aardvark or National Instruments hardware and driver.

# **Supported Hardware**

See Hardware Support from Instrument Control Toolbox for a complete list of supported hardware.

# **Troubleshooting SPI Interface**

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Serial Peripheral Interface (SPI) is a synchronous serial data link standard that operates in full duplex mode. It is commonly used in the test and measurement field. Common uses include communicating with micro controllers, EEPROMs, A2D devices, embedded controllers, etc.

Instrument Control Toolbox SPI support lets you open connections with individual chips and to read and write over the connections to individual chips using an Aardvark or NI-845x host adaptor. The primary uses for the spi interface involve the write, read, and writeAndRead functions for synchronously reading and writing binary data.

## **Supported Platforms**

You need to have either a Total Phase Aardvark host adaptor or an NI-845x adaptor board installed to use the spi interface.

The SPI interface is supported on these platforms when used with the Aardvark host adaptor:

- Linux Red Hat Enterprise Linux 4 and 5 with kernel 2.6, and possibly SUSE and Ubuntu distributions.
- Microsoft Windows 64-bit

Note For R2018b and R2018a, you cannot use the Aardvark adaptor for I2C or SPI interfaces on the macOS platform. You can still use it on Windows and Linux. For releases prior to R2018a, you can use it on all three platforms, including the Mac.

The SPI interface is supported on these platforms when used with the NI-845x host adaptor:

Microsoft Windows 64-bit.

# **Adaptor Requirements**

You need either a Total Phase Aardvark host adaptor or an NI-845x adaptor board installed to use the spi interface. The following sections describe requirements for each option.

#### **Aardvark-specific Requirements**

To use the SPI interface with the Aardvark adaptor, download the Hardware Support Package to obtain the latest driver, if you do not already have the driver installed. If you already have the latest driver installed, you do not need to download this Support Package.

If you do not have the Aardvark driver installed, see "Install the Total Phase Aardvark I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-9 to install it.

Install the Aardvark Software API and Shared Library appropriate for your operating system.

The aardvark.dll file that comes with the Total Phase Aardvark adaptor board must be available in one of these locations for use on Windows platforms:

- Location where MATLAB was started from (bin folder)
- MATLAB current folder (PWD)
- Windows folder C:\winnt or C:\windows
- Folders listed in the path environment variable

For use on Linux platforms, the aardvark.so file that comes with the Total Phase Aardvark adaptor board must be in your MATLAB path.

#### NI-845x-specific Requirements

To use the SPI interface with the NI-845x adaptor, download the hardware support package to obtain the latest driver, if you do not already have the driver installed. If you already have the latest driver installed, you do not need to download this support package.

If you do not have the NI-845x driver installed, see "Install the NI-845x I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-8 to install it.

## **Configuration and Connection**

- 1 Make sure that you have the correct instrument driver installed for your device. Refer to your device's documentation and the vendor's web site.
- **2** Make sure your device is supported in Instrument Control Toolbox. See "Is My Hardware Supported?" on page 20-4.
- You must have a Total Phase Aardvark host adaptor or an NI-845x adaptor board installed to use the SPI interface. Install the appropriate support package if you have not already. See "Adaptor Requirements" on page 20-6.

Make sure that your SPI adaptor board is plugged into the computer running MATLAB. You can verify that you have one of the adaptors installed by using the instrhwinfo function with the spi interface name.

```
>> instrhwinfo('spi')
ans =

HardwareInfo with properties:

SupportedVendors: {'aardvark' 'ni845x'}
InstalledVendors: {'ni845x'}
```

If you do not see either <code>aardvark</code> or <code>ni845x</code> listed, you need to install one of the support packages or install the driver directly from the vendor.

4 Make sure that Instrument Control Toolbox recognizes your device, by using the instrhwinfo function with the spi interface name, and your adaptor name, either aardvark or ni845x. For example:

You will need the information displayed to create the spi object. If your device is not displayed, check the previous steps.

Make sure you can create the spi object. You must provide three arguments to create the object. BoardIndex and Port are both usually 0, and Vendor is either 'aardvark' or 'ni845x'. This example uses a SPI object called S that communicates to an EEPROM chip. Create the object using the BoardIndex and Port numbers, which are 0 in both cases.

```
% Vendor = aardvark
% BoardIndex = 0
% Port = 0
S = spi('aardvark', 0, 0);
```

If you do not get an error, the object was created successfully. To verify, you can look at the object properties, using the name you assigned to the object, S in this case.

```
>> disp(S)
SPI Object :
    Adapter Settings
        BoardIndex:
        BoardSerial:
                                2237722838
        VendorName:
                                aardvark
    Communication Settings
                                1000000 Hz
        BitRate:
        ChipSelect:
        ClockPhase:
                                FirstEdge
        ClockPolarity:
                                IdleLow
        Port:
    Communication State
        ConnectionStatus:
                                Disconnected
    Read/Write State
        TransferStatus:
                                Idle
```

- 7 Make sure you can connect to the device, using the connect function with the object name.
  - connect(S);
  - If you do not get an error, the connection was made successfully. If you do get an error, follow the steps in the error message and/or check the previous steps listed here.
- **8** When you have connected, you can communicate with your device. See "Transmitting Data Over the SPI Interface" on page 10-7 for an example of reading and writing to a chip.

# **Troubleshooting I2C Interface**

### In this section...

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"Adaptor Requirements" on page 20-10

"Configuration and Connection" on page 20-11

I2C, or Inter-Integrated Circuit, is a chip-to-chip interface supporting two-wire communication. Instrument Control Toolbox I2C support lets you open connections with individual chips and to read and write over the connections to individual chips.

The Instrument Control Toolbox I2C interface lets you do chip-to-chip communication using an Aardvark or NI-845x host adaptor. Some applications of this interface include communication with SPD EEPROM and NVRAM chips, communication with SMBus devices, controlling accelerometers, accessing low-speed DACs and ADCs, changing settings on color monitors using the display data channel, changing sound volume in intelligent speakers, reading hardware monitors and diagnostic sensors, visualizing data sent from an I2C sensor, and turning on or off the power supply of system components.

### **Supported Platforms**

You need to have either a Total Phase Aardvark host adaptor or an NI-845x adaptor board installed to use the I2C interface.

The I2C interface is supported on these platforms when used with the Aardvark host adaptor:

- Linux The software works with Red Hat Enterprise Linux 4 and 5 with kernel 2.6. It may also be successful with SuSE and Ubuntu distributions.
- Microsoft Windows 64-bit

Note For R2018b and R2018a, you cannot use the Aardvark adaptor for I2C or SPI interfaces on the macOS platform. You can still use it on Windows and Linux. For releases prior to R2018a, you can use it on all three platforms, including the Mac.

The I2C interface is supported on these platforms when used with the NI-845x host adaptor:

• Microsoft Windows 64-bit

For updates to the list of currently supported platforms for MATLAB, see System Requirements.

# Adaptor Requirements

You need to have either a Total Phase Aardvark host adaptor or an NI-845x adaptor board installed to use the I2C interface. The following sections describe requirements for each option.

### **Aardvark-specific Requirements**

To use the I2C interface with the Aardvark adaptor, download the Hardware Support Package to obtain the latest driver, if you do not already have the driver installed. If you already have the latest driver installed, you do not need to download this Support Package.

If you do not have the Aardvark driver installed, see "Install the Total Phase Aardvark I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-9 to install it.

Install the Aardvark Software API and Shared Library appropriate for your operating system.

The aardvark.dll file that comes with the Total Phase Aardvark adaptor board must be available in one of these locations for use on Windows platforms:

- Location where MATLAB was started from (bin folder)
- MATLAB current folder (PWD)
- Windows folder C:\winnt or C:\windows
- · Folders listed in the path environment variable

For use on Linux platforms, the aardvark.so file that comes with the Total Phase Aardvark adaptor board must be in your MATLAB path.

### NI-845x-specific Requirements

To use the I2C interface with the NI-845x adaptor, download the hardware support package to obtain the latest driver, if you do not already have the driver installed. If you already have the latest driver installed, you do not need to download this support package.

If you do not have the NI-845x driver installed, see "Install the NI-845x I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-8 to install it.

## **Configuration and Connection**

- 1 Make sure that you have the correct instrument driver installed for your device. Refer to your device's documentation and the vendor's web site.
- 2 Make sure your device is supported in Instrument Control Toolbox. See "Is My Hardware Supported?" on page 20-4.
- 3 You must have a Total Phase Aardvark host adaptor or an NI-845x adaptor board installed to use the i2c interface. Install the appropriate support package if you have not already. See "Adaptor Requirements" on page 20-10.

Make sure that your I2C adaptor board is plugged into the computer running MATLAB. You can verify that you have one of the adaptors installed by using the instrhwinfo function with the i2c interface name.

```
>> instrhwinfo('i2c')
ans =
    InstalledAdaptors: 'Aardvark'
        JarFileVersion: 'Version 3.0.0'
```

If you do not see either aardvark or ni845x listed, you need to install one of the support packages or install the driver directly from the vendor.

4 Make sure that Instrument Control Toolbox recognizes your device, by using the instrhwinfo function with the i2c interface name, and your adaptor name, either aardvark or ni845x. For example:

You will need the information displayed to create the i2c object. If your device is not displayed, check the previous steps.

Make sure you can create the i2c object. You must provide three arguments to create the object. BoardIndex is usually 0, and Vendor is either aardvark or ni845x. The RemoteAddress is specific to your device. Read the documentation of the chip in order to know what the remote address is. For example, in this case we create an object to communicate with an eeprom chip at remote address 50h:

```
% Vendor = aardvark
% BoardIndex = 0
% RemoteAddress = 50
eeprom = i2c('aardvark', 0, '50h');
```

**Tip** You can also see what the remote address of the chip is by scanning for instruments in the Test & Measurement Tool. In the tool, right-click the **I2C** node and select **Scan for I2C adaptors**. Any chips found by the scan are listed in the hardware tree. The listing includes the remote address of the chip.

If you do not get an error, the object was created successfully. To verify, you can look at the object properties, using the name you assigned to the object, eeprom in this case.

### >> disp(eeprom)

I2C Object : I2C-0-50h

Communication Settings

BoardIndex

BoardSerial 2237482577

BitRate: 100 RemoteAddress: 50h

Vendor: aardvark

Communication State

Status: open RecordStatus: off

Read/Write State

TransferStatus: idle
BytesAvailable: 0
ValuesReceived: 16
ValuesSent: 15

7 Make sure you can connect to the device, using the fopen function with the object name.

fopen(eeprom);

If you do not get an error, the connection was made successfully. If you do get an error, follow the steps in the error message and/or check the previous steps listed here.

**8** When you have connected, you can communicate with your device. See "Transmitting Data Over the I2C Interface" on page 9-6 for an example of reading and writing to a chip.

# **Troubleshooting Serial Port Interface**

Serial communication is a low-level protocol for communicating between two or more devices. Normally, one device is a computer, and the other device can be another computer, modem, printer, or scientific instrument such as an oscilloscope or a function generator.

The serial port sends and receives bytes of information in a serial fashion -1 bit at a time. These bytes are transmitted using either a binary format or a text (ASCII) format.

For many serial port applications, you can communicate with your instrument without detailed knowledge of how the serial port works. Communication is established through a serial port object, which you create in the MATLAB workspace.

### Issue

If you are having trouble connecting to or communicating with your serial port device, follow these troubleshooting steps.

### **Possible Solutions**

### **Supported Platforms**

The serial port interface is supported on these platforms:

- Linux 64-bit
- macOS 64-bit
- Microsoft Windows 64-bit

The serial port interface is supported on the same platforms as MATLAB. For updates to the list of currently supported platforms, see System Requirements for MATLAB.

### **Adaptor Requirements**

Use RS-232 interface standard with the serial port communication. Over the years, several serial port interface standards for connecting computers to peripheral devices have been developed. These standards include RS-232, RS-422, and RS-485 — all of which are supported by the serial port object. Of these, the most widely used standard is RS-232, which stands for Recommended Standard number 232.

You need to connect the two devices with a serial cable. For more information, see "Connecting Two Devices with a Serial Cable" on page 6-3.

Serial ports consist of two signal types: *data signals* and *control signals*. To support these signal types, as well as the signal ground, the RS-232 standard defines a 25-pin connection. However, most PCs and UNIX platforms use a 9-pin connection. In fact, only three pins are required for serial port communications: one for receiving data, one for transmitting data, and one for the signal ground. For more information, see "Serial Port Signals and Pin Assignments" on page 6-4.

### **Configuration and Connection**

Make sure that you have the correct instrument driver installed for your device. Refer to your device documentation and the vendor website.

- **2** Make sure that your device is supported in Instrument Control Toolbox. See "Is My Hardware Supported?" on page 20-4.
- Make sure that Instrument Control Toolbox recognizes your serial ports, by using the serialportlist function. For example, if your computer has more than one serial port, your output would look like this:

### serialportlist

```
ans =
  1×3 string array
    "COM1"    "COM3"    "COM4"
```

### **Tip** You can also use Windows device manager to see a list of available serial ports.

4 Make sure you can create your serial port object. You must provide two arguments to create the object. For example, create a serial object called s using port COM1 and baud rate 9600.

```
s = serialport("COM1",9600);
```

If you do not get an error, the object was created successfully.

When you have connected, you can communicate with your device. If you have problems sending or receiving, you may need to configure communication settings such as BaudRate, DataBits, Parity, StopBits, or Terminator. Make sure you configure these communication parameters to match those of the connected device.

See "Writing and Reading Text Data" on page 6-17 and "Writing and Reading Binary Data" on page 6-19 for communication examples.

### Other Troubleshooting Tips for Serial Port

### **Verify Port**

Verify that the serial (COM) port is listed in Windows Control Panel > Device Manager > Ports.

### **Sending and Receiving**

If you have problems sending or receiving, you may need to configure communication settings such as BaudRate, DataBits, Parity, StopBits, or Terminator. Make sure you configure these communication parameters to match those of the connected device.

#### **VISA**

For serial communication, you can also use VISA with a VISA resource name, as defined in a VISA vendor utility, such as Keysight Connection Expert.

### **Third-party Software**

For troubleshooting serial port communication, you can also use a third-party serial communication software, such as PuTTY or Tera Term, to isolate the issue.

### **Incorrect Data**

When doing binary data communication with read and write, make sure the correct data type – for example int16, uint16, double – is being used with read and write. You should use the same data type as the instrument uses.

If reading and writing data types other than uint8 or int8, make sure the ByteOrder is correct.

### **See Also**

serialport|serialportlist

### **Related Examples**

- "Resolve Serial Port Connection Errors" on page 20-69
- "Serialport Warning Unable to Read Any Data" on page 20-59
- "Serialport Warning Unable to Read All Data" on page 20-60

# **Troubleshooting GPIB Interface**

GPIB is a standardized interface that allows you to connect and control multiple devices from various vendors. GPIB is also referred to by its original name HP-IB, or by its IEEE designation IEEE-488. GPIB support in MATLAB is provided through the VISA-GPIB interface.

### Issue

If you are having trouble connecting to or communicating with your GPIB device, follow these troubleshooting steps.

### **Possible Solutions**

### **Supported Platforms and Minimum Driver Requirements**

The VISA-GPIB interface is supported only on Microsoft Windows 10 (64-bit) and is not available for macOS or Linux.

The following table shows the minimum GPIB and VISA driver versions you must have. You must have one of the following GPIB drivers and its corresponding VISA driver both installed.

Minimum GPIB driver	Minimum VISA driver
Keysight IO Libraries version 18.1.24715.0 (Keysight Connection Expert 2019)	Keysight IO Libraries version 18.1.24715.0 (Keysight Connection Expert 2019)
ICS 488.2v4 Adaptor version 4.0	
ADLINK ADL-GPIB version 20.01.0	
NI-488.2 Adaptor v2.8	National Instruments NI-VISA version 19.5
MCC GPIB 488.2 Library v2.3	

None of the supported GPIB drivers (Keysight, ICS, ADLINK, NI, and MCC) support asynchronous read and write operations.

The Keysight GPIB driver also has the following limitations:

- The End Or Identify (EOI) line is not asserted when the End-Of-String (EOS) character is written to the hardware.
- All eight bits are used for the EOS comparison.
- A board index value of 0 is not supported.
- An error is not reported for an invalid primary address. Instead, the read and write operations time out.

### **Configuration and Connection**

- 1 Make sure that your adaptor is powered on. Make sure your device is also powered on.
- 2 Make sure that you have the correct GPIB and VISA drivers installed for your device. Refer to your device documentation and the vendor website.
- Make sure your device is supported in Instrument Control Toolbox. See "Is My Hardware Supported?" on page 20-4 and "Instrument Control Toolbox Supported Hardware".

4 Make sure that Instrument Control Toolbox recognizes your device, by using the visadevlist function.

```
resourceList = visadevlist
resourceList =
  6×6 table
```

ResourceName		Alias	Vendor
1	"USB0::0x0699::0x036A::CU010105::0::INSTR"	"NI SCOPE 4CH"	"TEKTRONIX"
2	"TCPIP0::169.254.2.20::inst0::INSTR"	"Keysight 33210A"	"Agilent Technolo
3	"ASRL1::INSTR"	"COM1"	11 11
4	"ASRL3::INSTR"	"C0M3"	шш
5	"GPIB0::5::INSTR"	"FGEN_2CH"	"Agilent Technolo
6	"GPIB0::11::INSTR"	"OSCOPE 2CH"	"TEKTRONIX"

If the instrument is not listed, it might not be configured properly in your vendor's VISA configuration utility software.

Make sure you can create the VISA-GPIB object using visadev. Each VISA-GPIB object is associated with one controller and one instrument. visadev requires the resource name or alias as an input. For example, create a VISA-GPIB object connected to a National Instruments controller with board index 0 and a Tektronix TDS1002 digital oscilloscope with primary address 1 and secondary address 0.

```
visagpib = visadev("GPIB0::1::0::INSTR")
```

If you do not get an error, the object was created successfully. If the resource name or alias does not exist, you get an error. Check that the resource name or alias is correct in the vendor configuration utility software.

You can have only one visadev object for a given resource at a time.

When you have connected, you can communicate with your device. If you have problems sending or receiving, you might need to configure communication settings. Make sure you are using the correct instrument command. Look in the instrument's documentation to see what commands it recognizes. Verify that communication works by testing the connection using the vendor's configuration utility.

### **VISA Driver Configuration**

If you are still having connection or communication issues with your GPIB resource using VISA, you can troubleshoot using your VISA vendor's software and utilities, as described in the following table.

Vendor	Configuration Utility	Testing Connection	Debug Utility
Keysight VISA	Keysight Connection Expert (KCE)	Interactive IO button on KCE	IO Monitor button on KCE
National Instruments VISA		Tools > NI VISA > VISA Interactive Control	Tools > NI I/O Trace

If you have multiple VISA installations, make sure that you have a preferred VISA set and that it is enabled. Check if all the VISA interfaces are using the expected VISA.

- 2 Use your vendor's configuration utility to make sure that your device hardware is being detected. Check that the hardware and interface properties are assigned as expected. You can also check that your device responds to a \*IDN? query.
- 3 If you use SCPI commands, check if your device responds to them as expected when issued from the configuration utility.
- **4** Use your vendor's debug utility to check the Instrument I/O traffic for errors other than timeout errors.

### Communication

- 1 Make sure the correct data type is being used with read, readbinblock, write, and writebinblock. Use the same data type that your instrument is configured to return.
- If reading and writing data types other than uint8 or int8, make sure the ByteOrder property is correct. You can configure it to be little-endian or big-endian. For GPIB, ByteOrder refers to the order in which the bytes in a multi-byte data type values are transmitted on the communication bus. You can use the swapbytes function to troubleshoot issues with ByteOrder. Configure ByteOrder to the appropriate value for your instrument before performing a read or write operation. Refer to your instrument documentation for information about the order in which it stores bytes.
- **EOIMode** is the default and should be left **on** most of the time. However, some instruments might require **EOIMode** to be turned **off**.

### **Adaptor Requirements**

### **Bus and connector**

You need a bus and connector to communicate with GPIB instruments. The GPIB bus is a cable with two 24-pin connectors that allow you to connect multiple devices to each other. For more information, see "Bus and Connector" on page 4-2.

### **GPIB** devices

Each GPIB device must be some combination of a Talker, a Listener, or a Controller. A Controller is typically a board that you install in your computer. Talkers and Listeners are typically instruments such as oscilloscopes, function generators, multimeters, and so on. Most modern instruments are both Talkers and Listeners. Each Controller is identified by a unique board index number. Each Talker/Listener is identified by a unique primary address ranging from 0 to 30, and by an optional secondary address, which can be 0 or can range from 96 to 126. For more information, see "GPIB Devices" on page 4-3.

### **GPIB** data

Two types of data can be transferred over GPIB, instrument data and interface messages:

- Instrument data Instrument data consists of vendor-specific commands that configure your instrument, return measurement results, and so on. For a complete list of commands supported by your instrument, refer to its documentation.
- Interface messages Interface messages are defined by the GPIB standard and consist of commands that clear the GPIB bus, address devices, return self-test results, and so on.

Data transfer consists of one byte (8 bits) sent in parallel. The data transfer rate across the interface is limited to 1 megabyte per second. However, this data rate is usually not achieved in practice, and is limited by the slowest device on the bus.

### **GPIB** lines

GPIB consists of 24 lines, which are shared by all instruments connected to the bus. 16 lines are used for signals, while eight lines are for ground. The signal lines are divided into these groups:

- Eight data lines
- Five interface management lines
- Three handshake lines

For information on the types of lines and GPIB pin and signal assignments, see "GPIB Lines" on page 4-3.

### **See Also**

visadevlist|visadev

# **Related Examples**

"Troubleshooting VISA Interface" on page 20-31

# **Troubleshooting TCP/IP Client Interface**

Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) is a transport protocol layered on top of the Internet Protocol (IP) and is one of the most highly used networking protocols. You can use network socket communication to connect to remote hosts to read and write data.

### Issue

If you are having trouble connecting to or communicating with your remote host, try these troubleshooting tips.

### **Possible Solutions**

### **Supported Platforms**

TCP/IP is supported on these platforms:

- Linux
- macOS
- · Windows 10

The TCP/IP client interface is supported on the same platforms as MATLAB. For updates to the list of currently supported platforms, see System Requirements.

### **Configuration and Connection**

Make sure you can create your TCP/IP client object. You create a client object with the tcpclient function, which requires the name of the remote host as an input argument. You also need to specify the remote port value.

Each client object is associated with one instrument. For example, to create a client object for a Sony/Tektronix AWG520 Arbitrary Waveform Generator, you use the remote host name of the instrument and the port number, which can be found in the instrument documentation.

```
t = tcpclient("sonytekawg.yourdomain.com",4000);
```

- After you connect to the device, you can communicate with it. If sending and receiving does not work, you can check the following:
  - Make sure the data is being sent in the format expected by the server.
  - If you connect to a web server, you might need to send HTTP get or post commands. You can also use the urlread or webread functions to communicate with web servers.
  - Many TCP/IP servers expect header information inside the TCP/IP packet.

See "Write and Read Data over TCP/IP Interface" on page 7-7 for an example of communication over TCP/IP.

### **VISA-TCP/IP Communication**

You can also use the visadev interface with a VISA-TCP/IP resource name instead of the tcpclient interface for TCP/IP communication with instruments.

### **Incorrect Data Type**

Make sure the correct data type—for example int16, uint16, double—is being used with read and write. Use the same data type as the instrument. If reading and writing data types other than uint8 or int8, make sure the ByteOrder is correct.

### **See Also**

tcpclient

# **Related Examples**

- "Resolve TCP/IP Client Connection Errors" on page 20-71
- "Resolve TCP/IP Client Warning: Unable to Read Any Data" on page 20-61

# **Troubleshooting TCP/IP Server Interface**

Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) is a transport protocol layered on top of the Internet Protocol (IP) and is one of the most highly used networking protocols.

### Issue

If you are having trouble connecting to or communicating with your server, try these troubleshooting tips.

### **Possible Solutions**

### **Supported Platforms**

TCP/IP is supported on these platforms:

- Linux
- macOS
- Windows 10

The TCP/IP server interface is supported on the same platforms as MATLAB. For updates to the list of currently supported platforms, see System Requirements.

### **Configuration and Connection**

Make sure you can create a TCP/IP server object. You create it using the tcpserver function, which takes a port number and an optional IP address as inputs. If you do not specify an IP address, the server can accept a client connection at any valid IP address. The IP address that you specify for the server should match the IP address that the client connects to.

```
t = tcpserver("172.28.200.145",4000);
```

1 Check that the IP address you specify is available on your machine. To see valid IP addresses for your machine, run the following command in MATLAB on Windows.

```
!ipconfig
```

If you specify a host name instead of host IP address, you can also verify that it is a valid host name by using resolvehost. If the output is empty, the specified host name is invalid.

```
resolvehost("hostname", "address")
ans =
    '172.28.200.145'
```

- 3 Make sure that you do not specify a port that is already in use. In addition, you can only create one server object for a given address and port combination.
- **4** Make sure that your network adapter is enabled and connected.

### Communication

- Before reading from or writing to the server object, check the Connected property to make sure that a client is connected to it. If a client has successfully connected, the value of this property is 1 (true).
  - t.Connected
  - The ClientAddress and ClientPort properties also provide information about the client that is connected to the server object. The value of ClientAddress should match the value of ServerAddress.
- Make sure the correct data type, such as int16, uint16, or double is being used with read and write. Use the same data type as the client. If reading and writing data types other than uint8 or int8, make sure the ByteOrder is correct.

### See Also

tcpserver

### **Related Examples**

- "Resolve TCP/IP Server Connection Errors" on page 20-73
- "Resolve TCP/IP Server Warning: Unable to Read Any Data" on page 20-62
- "Resolve TCP/IP Server Warning: Unable to Read All Data" on page 20-63

# **Troubleshooting UDP Interface**

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User Datagram Protocol (UDP or UDP/IP) is a transport protocol layered on top of the Internet Protocol (IP). UDP is a connectionless protocol. An application using UDP prepares a packet and sends it to the receiver's address without first checking to see if the receiver is ready to receive a packet. If the receiving end is not ready to receive a packet, the packet is lost.

### Issue

If you are having trouble connecting to or communicating with your UDP socket, follow these troubleshooting tips.

### **Possible Solutions**

### **Supported Platforms**

UDP is supported on these platforms:

- Linux
- macOS
- Windows 10

The UDP interface is supported on the same platforms as MATLAB. For updates to the list of currently supported platforms, see System Requirements.

The configureMulticast function is only supported on Windows and not supported Linux or macOS.

### **Configuration and Connection**

1 Make sure you can create your UDP object with the udpport function.

Although UDP is a stateless connection, creating a UDP object with an invalid local host or local port generates an error. Specifying a local port that is in use elsewhere or a port with port sharing disabled also generates an error. You can configure property values during object creation, such as the LocalPort property if you will use the object to read data. For example, create a udpport object associated with local port 3533.

NumBytesAvailable: 0

Show all properties, functions

2 If the computer or host does not exist, you will get a warning. You can try to ping the computer to see if it is responding.

```
!ping 127.0.0.1
```

- **3** When you have connected, you can communicate with your device. If sending and receiving does not work, you can check the following:
  - Make sure the destination address and destination port parameters for sending data with write and writeline are valid or exist. Try !ping [destinationAddress].
  - Make sure the destination port and LocalPort are correct. The destination port is the port
    on the other computer to which data is sent. LocalPort is the port on the local computer
    that the udpport object is bound to.
  - UDP is not a reliable protocol and packets can be dropped. You may need to try sending or receiving multiple times.

See "Write and Read ASCII Data Over UDP" on page 8-7 and "Write and Read Binary Data Over UDP" on page 8-9 for examples of communication over UDP and information on using properties.

### See Also

udpport

### **Related Examples**

- "Resolve UDP Port Connection Errors" on page 20-74
- "Resolve UDP Port Warning: Unable to Read Any Data" on page 20-64
- "Resolve UDP Port Warning: Unable to Read All Data" on page 20-65

# **Troubleshooting IVI and Quick-Control Interfaces**

The IVI standard defines an open driver architecture, a set of instrument classes, and shared software components. With IVI you can use instruments interchangeability into multiple systems using standardized code.

You can use the Quick-Control Oscilloscope for any oscilloscope that uses an underlying IVI-C driver. You can use the Quick-Control Function Generator for any function generator that uses an underlying IVI-C driver. You can use the Quick-Control RF Signal Generator for any RF signal generator that uses an underlying IVI-C driver.

### **Supported Platforms**

IVI is supported on these platforms:

Microsoft Windows 64-bit

The Quick-Control interfaces are supported on these platforms:

Microsoft Windows 64-bit.

### **Adaptor Requirements**

### IVI-C

Instrument Control Toolbox software supports IVI-C drivers, with class-compliant and instrument-specific functionality.

IVI class-compliant drivers support common functionality across a family of related instruments. Use class-compliant drivers to access the basic functionality of an instrument, and the ability to swap instruments without changing the code in your application. With an IVI instrument-specific driver or interface, you can access the unique functionality of the instrument. The instrument-specific driver generally does not accommodate instrument substitution.

For IVI-C drivers, you can use IVI-C class drivers and IVI-C specific drivers. Device objects you construct to call IVI-C class drivers offer interchangeability between similar instruments, and work with all instruments consistent with that class driver. Device objects you construct to call IVI-C specific drivers directly generally offer less interchangeability, but provide access to the unique methods and properties of a specific instrument.

Other things to note:

- IVI-COM is no longer supported, because of the removal of 32-bit MATLAB.
- Using an IVI driver with icdevice requires generating a MATLAB instrument driver (MDD) with makemid or using a prebuilt MDD driver.
- The IVI Foundation maintains a registry of drivers sortable by instrument model and driver type. See http://www.ivifoundation.org/registered\_drivers/driver\_registry.aspx.

Before you use IVI drivers in MATLAB, install:

- VISA
- IVI Shared components

· Required IVI drivers

### **IVI-C Wrappers**

The IVI-C wrappers provide an interface to MATLAB for instruments running on IVI-C class-compliant drivers.

To use the wrapper you must have the following software installed.

- Windows 64-bit
- VISA shared components
- VISA
- National Instruments compliance package NICP 4.1 or higher
- · Your instrument driver

### **Quick-Control Oscilloscope**

You can use the Quick-Control Oscilloscope for any oscilloscope that uses an underlying IVI-C driver. However, you do not have to directly deal with the underlying driver. You can also use it for Tektronix oscilloscopes.

To use the Quick-Control Oscilloscope for an IVI-C scope, you must have the following software installed. Most components are installed by the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces. To install the support package, see "Install the National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces Support Package" on page 14-11.

- Windows 64-bit platforms
- VISA shared components (installed by the support package)
- VISA (installed by the support package)

Note, the examples use Keysight VISA, but you can use any version of VISA.

- National Instruments IVI compliance package NICP 4.1 or later (installed by the support package)
- Your instrument's device-specific driver. If you do not already have it, go to your instrument vendor's website and download the IVI-C driver for your specific instrument.

By default, the driver used is Tektronix ('tektronix'). If your instrument is not supported by the default driver, specify a particular IVI-C Scope driver using the driver property on the oscilloscope object.

**Note** As of release R2015a, most of these components are installed for you when you install the National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces Support Package. See "Install the National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces Support Package" on page 14-11.

### **Quick-Control Function Generator**

You can use the Quick-Control Function Generator for any function generator that uses an underlying IVI-C driver. However, you do not have to directly deal with the underlying driver.

To use the Quick-Control Function Generator for an IVI-C fgen, ensure the following software is installed. Most components are installed by the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for

National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces. To install the support package, see "Install the National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces Support Package" on page 14-11.

- Windows 64-bit platforms
- VISA shared components (installed by the support package)
- VISA (installed by the support package)
  - Note, the examples use Keysight VISA, but you can use any vendor's implementation of VISA.
- National Instruments IVI compliance package NICP 4.1 or later (installed by the support package)
- Your instrument's device-specific driver. If you do not already have it, go to your instrument vendor's website and download the IVI-C driver for your specific instrument.

By default, the driver used is 'Agilent332x0\_SCPI'. If your instrument is not supported by the default driver, specify a particular IVI-C Function Generator driver using the driver property on the fgen object.

**Note** As of release R2015a, most of these components are installed for you when you install the National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces Support Package. See "Install the National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces Support Package" on page 14-11.

### **Quick-Control RF Signal Generator**

You can use the Quick-Control RF Signal Generator for any RF signal generator that uses an underlying IVI-C driver. However, you do not have to directly deal with the underlying driver.

To use the Quick-Control RF Signal Generator for an IVI-C RF signal generator, ensure the following software is installed. Most components are installed by the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces, but you can also install them separately. To install the support package, see "Install the National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces Support Package" on page 14-11.

- Windows 64-bit platforms
- VISA shared components (installed by the support package)
- VISA (installed by the support package)
  - Note, the examples use Keysight VISA, but you can use any vendor's implementation of VISA.
- National Instruments IVI compliance package NICP 4.1 or later (installed by the support package)
- The device-specific driver for your instrument. If you do not already have it, go to your instrument vendor's website and download the IVI-C driver for your specific instrument.

**Note** As of release R2015a, most of these components are installed for you when you install the National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces Support Package. See "Install the National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces Support Package" on page 14-11.

# **Configuration and Connection**

Make sure that you have the correct instrument driver installed for your device. Refer to your device documentation and the vendor website.

- Make sure that your device is supported in Instrument Control Toolbox. See "Is My Hardware Supported?" on page 20-4.
- 3 Make sure that Instrument Control Toolbox recognizes your device, by using the instrhwinfo function with the ivi interface name to find information on installed IVI drivers and shared components. For example:

Modules refer to IVI-C drivers.

Logical names are associated with particular IVI drivers as defined in the IVI Configuration Store, but they do not necessarily imply that the drivers are currently installed. You can install drivers that do not have a LogicalName property set yet, or drivers whose LogicalName was removed.

Alternatively, use the Test & Measurement Tool to view the installation of IVI drivers and the setup of the IVI configuration store. Expand the Instrument Drivers node and click IVI. Click the **Software Modules** tab. (For information on the other IVI driver tabs and settings in the Test & Measurement Tool, see "IVI Configuration Store" on page 13-12.)

- 4 You can create an ivi object to communicate with your instrument. For instructions on creating an IVI object, constructing an IVI configuration store, and configuring communication using an IVI-C class compliant interface, see "Read Waveforms Using the IVI-C Class-Compliant Interface" on page 13-4.
- When you have connected, you can communicate with your device. If you have problems sending or receiving, you may need to configure communication settings. Make sure you are using the correct instrument command. Look in the instrument's documentation to see what commands it recognizes.

# **Troubleshooting VISA Interface**

Virtual Instrument Software Architecture (VISA) is an industry standard defined by the IVI foundation for communicating with instruments regardless of the interface.

For the full VISA specifications maintained by the IVI Foundation, see IVI Specifications.

### Issue

If you are having trouble connecting to or communicating with your VISA resource, follow these troubleshooting tips.

### **Possible Solutions**

### **Supported Platforms and Minimum Driver Requirements**

VISA is supported on these platforms:

- macOS (NI-VISA and R&S VISA only)
- Windows 10

These are the minimum VISA driver versions you must have:

- Keysight IO Libraries version 18.1.24715.0 (Keysight Connection Expert 2019)
- National Instruments NI-VISA version 19.5
- Rohde & Schwarz R&S VISA version 5.12

Tektronix TekVISA is not supported for the visadev interface.

### **Configuration and Connection**

- 1 Make sure your device is powered on and all cables are properly connected.
- 2 Make sure that you have the correct instrument driver installed for your device. Refer to your device documentation and the vendor website.

**Note** If you are connecting to a GPIB device using an NI GPIB adaptor, you must download the NI-488.2 driver compatible with your VISA driver version from the NI website. The NI-488.2 driver is not available as an Instrument Control Toolbox support package.

- Make sure that your device is supported in Instrument Control Toolbox. See "Is My Hardware Supported?" on page 20-4 and "Instrument Control Toolbox Supported Hardware".
- 4 Make sure that Instrument Control Toolbox recognizes your device, by using the visadevlist function.

```
resourceList = visadevlist
resourceList =
  6×6 table
```

ResourceName Alias Vendor

```
1
     "USB0::0x0699::0x036A::CU010105::0::INSTR"
                                                      "NI SCOPE 4CH"
                                                                             "TEKTRONIX"
2
     "TCPIP0::169.254.2.20::inst0::INSTR"
                                                      "Keysight 33210A"
                                                                             "Agilent Technolo
     "ASRL1::INSTR"
                                                      "COM1"
3
                                                      "COM3"
     "ASRL3::INSTR"
4
5
     "GPIB0::5::INSTR"
                                                      "FGEN 2CH"
                                                                             "Agilent Technolo
     "GPIB0::11::INSTR"
                                                      "OSCOPE 2CH"
                                                                             "TEKTRONIX"
6
```

Create a visadev object using one of the resource names listed. If your instrument is not listed, it might not be configured properly in your VISA vendor's configuration utility software.

**Note** VISA-TCP/IP, VISA-Socket, and VISA-Serial instruments and devices might require additional configuration to appear in the visadevlist output.

You can create a VISA object to use with different instrument types. For example, create a VISA-Serial object connected to serial port COM1.

```
v = visadev("ASRL1::INSTR");
```

If you do not get an error, the object was created successfully. If the resource name or alias does not exist, you will get an error. Check that the resource name or alias is correct in the vendor configuration utility software.

You can have only one visadev object for a given resource at a time.

When you have connected, you can communicate with your device. If you have problems sending or receiving, you may need to configure communication settings. Make sure you are using the correct instrument command. Look in the instrument's documentation to see what commands it recognizes. Verify that communication works by testing the connection using the vendor's configuration utility.

### **VISA Driver Configuration**

If you are still having connection or communication issues with your instrument using VISA, you can troubleshoot using your VISA vendor's software and utilities, as described in the following table.

VISA Vendor	Configuration Utility	Testing Connection	Debug Utility
Keysight VISA	Keysight Connection Expert (KCE)	Interactive IO button on KCE	IO Monitor button on KCE
NI-VISA	NI Measurement and Automation Explorer (NI MAX)	Tools > NI VISA > VISA Interactive Control	Tools > NI I/O Trace
Rohde & Schwarz R&S VISA	RsVisaConfigure, launched from RsVisa Config tab on RsVisaTester	RsVisaTester	RsVisaTraceTool, launched from RsVisa TraceTool tab on RsVisaTester

- 1 Use the VISA Conflict Manager settings from your VISA vendor's configuration utility to make sure that you have a preferred VISA set and that it is enabled. Check if all the VISA interfaces are using the expected VISA. For R&S VISA, make sure it is set to "Preferred". For example, for the Keysight Connection Expert, do the following.
  - Open the settings menu and select Tools > VISA Conflict Manager.

- Under **Enabled Implementations**, make sure that your VISA vendor is selected.
- Under **Preferred Implementation**, make sure that your VISA vendor is selected.
- 2 If you are using SCPI commands, check if your device responds to them as expected when issued from the configuration utility.
- 3 Use your VISA vendor's configuration utility to make sure that your device hardware is being detected. You can also check that your device responds to a \*IDN? query.
- **4** Use your VISA vendor's debug utility to check the Instrument I/O traffic for errors other than timeout errors.
- **5** Try installing a different supported VISA vendor's driver.

### See Also

visadevlist|visadev

## **Related Examples**

- "Resolve VISA Connection Errors" on page 20-75
- "Resolve VISA Warning: Unable to Read Any Data" on page 20-66
- "Resolve VISA Warning: Unable to Read All Data" on page 20-68
- "Troubleshooting GPIB Interface" on page 20-17

# **Hardware Support Packages**

The Instrument Control Toolbox includes support packages that allow the use of certain classes of instruments. To use any of the instrument support outlined below, install the appropriate support package. See the topics listed in the table for information about the contents and installing that support package.

Support Package	Contents and Installation
Aardvark I2C/SPI Interface	Use the I2C or SPI interface with the Aardvark adaptor.
	See "Install the Total Phase Aardvark I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-9.
NI-845x I2C/SPI Interface	Use the I2C or SPI interface with the NI-845x adaptor.
	See "Install the NI-845x I2C/SPI Interface Support Package" on page 14-8.
NI-SCOPE Oscilloscopes	Use to communicate with NI-SCOPE oscilloscopes. Acquire waveform data from the oscilloscope and control it.
	See "Install the NI-SCOPE Oscilloscopes Support Package" on page 14-4.
NI-FGEN Function Generators	Use to communicate with NI-FGEN function generators. Control and configure the function generator, and perform tasks such as generating sine waves.
	See "Install the NI-FGEN Function Generators Support Package" on page 14-5.
NI-DCPower Power Supplies	Use to communicate with NI-DCPower power supplies. Control and take digital measurements from a power supply, such as the NI PXI 4011 triple-output programmable DC power supply.
	See "Install the NI-DCPower Power Supplies Support Package" on page 14-6.
NI-DMM Digital Multimeters	Use to communicate with NI-DMM digital multimeters. Control and take measurements from a digital multimeter, such as measuring voltage or resistance.
	See "Install the NI-DMM Digital Multimeters Support Package" on page 14-7.
NI-Switch Hardware	Use to communicate with NI-Switch instruments. For example, control a relay box such as the NI PXI-2586 10-channel relay switch.
	See "Install the NI-Switch Hardware Support Package" on page 14-10.

Support Package	Contents and Installation
	Use the Quick Control Oscilloscope and Quick Control Function Generator interfaces to communicate with and control oscilloscopes and function generators.
	See "Install the National Instruments VISA and ICP Interfaces Support Package" on page 14-11.

# Deploying Standalone Applications with Instrument Control Toolbox

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This topic contains tips for deploying standalone applications with MATLAB Compiler (deploytool or mcc) and Instrument Control Toolbox. Refer to these tips when creating standalone applications that use functionality from Instrument Control Toolbox.

# Tips for both interface based communication and driver-based communication

- Device identifiers/resource names should not be hard-coded, as instrument resource names are likely to be different on other machines.
- A best practice is to use instrhwinfo and query the return output in your MATLAB code that you intend to deploy.

## Tips for interface based communication

For direct interface based communication using I2C, SPI, GPIB, and VISA, on the deployment machine, install all required third-party drivers separately from the deployed application.

# Tips for driver based communication

In addition to your MATLAB code, your deployed standalone application package should include files required by your application:

• Include MATLAB Instrument Driver (MDD file) in your standalone application project from deploytool or by passing a -a flag to mcc when compiling your MATLAB code.

### **IVI-C**

Include the following in your deployed standalone application package:

- MATLAB Instrument Driver (MDD file)
- For 64-bit applications, MATLAB prototype and thunk files
- For 32-bit applications, MATLAB prototype file

The location of generated prototype and thunk files can be obtained from the result of executing:

```
sprintf('%s',[tempdir 'ICTDeploymentFiles'])
```

On the machine where you deploy your standalone application:

- All third-party drivers and dependencies need to be installed separately from the deployed standalone application.
- To reduce runtime unknowns, install the same version of IVI-C driver on the deployment system as used on the development system.
- To reduce runtime unknowns, install the same version of VISA driver libraries on the deployment system as used on the development system.

**Note** To troubleshoot vendor driver installation issues, it is recommended that the deployed application provide a way to simulate connection to the hardware by instantiating the driver with 'optionstring', 'simulate=true' as arguments for icdevice. This will help narrow down the root cause of deployment issues to vendor driver installation issue, or hardware issues.

### **Ouick Control Interfaces**

If you are not using the default SCPI-based drivers for Quick Control Oscilloscope ('tektronix') and Quick Control Function Generator ('Agilent332x0\_SCPI'), and are instead using an IVI-C driver, include the following in your deployed standalone application package:

- For 64-bit applications, MATLAB prototype and thunk files for IVIScope or IVIFGen
- For 32-bit applications, MATLAB prototype file for IVIScope or IVIFGen

The location of generated prototype and thunk files can be obtained from the result of executing:

```
sprintf('%s',[tempdir 'ICTDeploymentFiles'])
```

On the machine where you deploy your standalone application:

- If required, all third-party drivers and dependencies need to be installed separately from the deployed standalone application.
- To reduce runtime unknowns, install the same version of IVI-C driver on the deployment system as used on the development system.
- To reduce runtime unknowns, install the same version of VISA driver libraries on the deployment system as used on the development system.

### Generic MDD

For use with the generic MDD, include the following in your deployed standalone application package:

• MATLAB Instrument Driver (MDD file)

If your MDD uses LOADLIBRARY to interface with a C shared library, include:

- For 64-bit applications, MATLAB prototype and thunk files for the C shared library
- For 32-bit applications, MATLAB prototype file for the C shared library
- MATLAB prototype and thunk files for a C shared library can be generated on a development machine (with a supported C compiler) by using LOADLIBRARY command.

On the machine where you deploy your standalone application:

• If required, all third-party drivers and dependencies need to be installed separately from the deployed standalone application.

# **Hardware Support packages**

For more info on deploying standalone applications which use functionality installed as a support package:

web(fullfile(docroot, 'compiler/manage-support-packages.html'))

# **Contact MathWorks and Use the instrsupport Function**

If you need support from MathWorks, visit our Web site at https://www.mathworks.com/support/.

Before contacting MathWorks, run the instrsupport function. This function returns diagnostic information such as:

- · The versions of MathWorks products you are using
- Your MATLAB path
- The characteristics of your hardware
- Information about your adaptors

The output from instrsupport is automatically saved to a text file, instrsupport.txt, which you can use to help troubleshoot your problem.

To have MATLAB generate this file for you, type

instrsupport

# **Serial Warning - Unable to Read Any Data**

These remedies apply to the case when you receive no data and you get this warning message:

'serial' unable to read any data

When using the Serial interface for:

- Reading ASCII (text) data using the fscanf, fgets, or fgetl functions
- Reading binary data using the fread function
- Reading binblock data using the binblockread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
An invalid command was sent to the device, so there is a problem reading the response to the command.	Check your device manual for proper command formatting.
Your device is connected to an incorrect serial port.	Verify that your device is connected to the specified port. It must match the port you specify when you create the serial object. For information about specifying the port, see serial.
An incorrect write terminator was sent to the instrument before attempting to read data, so there is no data to read.	Verify that the Terminator property is set to the value required by your device. For more information about setting the property, see Terminator.
Your device is not configured to send data on the serial port.	Verify the device communication settings. For more information about communication settings, see "Create Serial Port Object" on page 6-13 and "Configure Serial Port Communication Settings" on page 6-15.

### **More Troubleshooting Help**

For more information about troubleshooting the Serial interface, including supported platforms, adaptor requirements, configuration and connection, and other troubleshooting tips, see "Troubleshooting Serial Port Interface" on page 20-14.

# **Serial Warning - Unable to Read All Data**

These remedies apply to the case when you receive some data and you get this warning message:

'serial' unable to read all requested data

### **ASCII Data**

When using the Serial interface for:

• Reading ASCII (text) data using the fscanf, fgets, or fgetl functions

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
An incorrect read terminator was used.	Verify that the Terminator property is set to the value required by your device. For more information about setting the property, see Terminator.
Communication with the device was interrupted.	Check your device connection. For more information about troubleshooting configuration and connection, see "Troubleshooting Serial Port Interface" on page 20-14.
There is an invalid serial port configuration.	Verify that the serial object properties match the device serial settings. For more information about configuring settings, see "Create Serial Port Object" on page 6-13 and "Configure Serial Port Communication Settings" on page 6- 15.

### **Binary Data**

When using the Serial interface for:

• Reading binary data using the fread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
The number of values to read was not specified and was set to the InputBufferSize by default.	Set the number of values to read using the size argument on the fread function, or change the InputBufferSize property. For more information about setting the property, see InputBufferSize. For information about setting the number of values to read, see fread.
Device did not send all the requested data.	Check your device connection. For more information about troubleshooting configuration and connection, see "Troubleshooting Serial Port Interface" on page 20-14.
There was a data format mismatch.	Verify that the device data format matches the specified read format. Data format is set using the precision property. For more information about supported precisions, see fread.

### **Binblock Data**

When using the Serial interface for:

• Reading binblock (binary-block) data using the binblockread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
	Increase the Timeout property value. For more information about setting the property, see Timeout.
Communication with the device was interrupted.	Check your device connection. For more information about troubleshooting configuration and connection, see "Troubleshooting Serial Port Interface" on page 20-14.

### **More Troubleshooting Help**

For more information about troubleshooting the Serial interface, including supported platforms, adaptor requirements, configuration and connection, and other troubleshooting tips, see "Troubleshooting Serial Port Interface" on page 20-14.

# TCP/IP Warning - Unable to Read Any Data

These remedies apply to the case when you receive no data and you get this warning message:

'tcpip' unable to read any data

When using the TCP/IP interface for:

- Reading ASCII (text) data using the fscanf, fgets, or fgetl functions
- Reading binary data using the fread function
- Reading binblock data using the binblockread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
An invalid command was sent to the device, so there is a problem reading the response to the command.	Check your device manual for proper command formatting.
An incorrect write terminator was sent to the instrument before attempting to read data, so there is no data to read.	Verify that the Terminator property is set to the value required by your device. For more information about setting the property, see Terminator.
Your device did not receive the command because the remote host address or the remote port is incorrect.	Verify that the device is at the remote host address that you specified, and is listening on the remote port that you specified when you created the tcpip object.

# TCP/IP Warning - Unable to Read All Data

These remedies apply to the case when you receive some data and you get this warning message:

'tcpip' unable to read all requested data

### **ASCII Data**

When using the TCP/IP interface for:

• Reading ASCII (text) data using the fscanf, fgets, or fgetl functions

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
An incorrect read terminator was used.	Verify that the Terminator property is set to the value required by your device. For more information about setting the property, see Terminator.
Communication with the device was interrupted.	Check your device connection.

### **Binary Data**

When using the TCP/IP interface for:

Reading binary data using the fread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
The number of values to read was not specified and was set to the InputBufferSize by default.	Set the number of values to read using the size argument on the fread function, or change the InputBufferSize property. For more information about setting the property, see InputBufferSize. For information about setting number of values to read, see fread.
Device did not send all the requested data.	Check your device connection.
There was a data format mismatch.	Verify that the device data format matches the specified read format. Data format is set using the Precision property. For more information about supported precisions, see fread.

### **Binblock Data**

When using the TCP/IP interface for:

• Reading binblock (binary-block) data using the binblockread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
	Increase the Timeout property value. For more information about setting the property, see Timeout.
Communication with the device was interrupted.	Check your device connection.

# **UDP Warning - Unable to Read Any Data**

These remedies apply to the case when you receive no data and you get this warning message:

'udp' unable to read any data

### **ASCII and Binary Data**

When using the UDP interface for:

- Reading ASCII (text) data using the fscanf, fgets, or fgetl functions
- Reading binary data using the fread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
An invalid command was sent to the device, so there is a problem reading the response to the command.	Check your device manual for proper command formatting.
The device did not receive the command because of an incorrect UDP RemotePort value.	Verify that the UDP RemotePort value is set to the port number the device is listening on. For more information about setting the remote port, see udp and "Create a UDP Object and View Properties" on page 8-2.
A firewall is blocking incoming UDP packets.	Verify that your system firewall setting allows connections to 'LocalPort'.
The UDP packet size is larger than the maximum packet size that can be handled by the Ethernet adaptor.	The UDP packet size is controlled by the OutputDatagramPacketSize property. You can specify the size, in bytes, between 1 and 65,535, and the default value is 512.
You might need to enable port sharing.	If you are receiving UDP broadcasts on a shared port, set the <code>EnablePortSharing</code> property to on. For the syntax, see "Enable Port Sharing Over UDP" in "Create a UDP Object and View Properties" on page 8-2.

### **Binblock Data**

When using the UDP interface for:

• Reading binblock (binary-block) data using the binblockread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
An incorrect write terminator was sent to the instrument before attempting to read data, so there is no data to read.	Verify that the Terminator property is set to the value required by your device. For more information about setting the property, see Terminator.
An invalid command was sent to the device, so there is a problem reading the response to the command.	Check your device manual for proper command formatting.

Cause	Solution
The device did not receive the command because of an incorrect UDP RemotePort value.	Verify that the UDP RemotePort value is set to the port number the device is listening on. For more information about setting the remote port, see udp and "Create a UDP Object and View Properties" on page 8-2.
A firewall is blocking incoming UDP packets.	Verify that your system firewall setting allows connections to 'LocalPort'.
The UDP packet size is larger than the maximum packet size that can be handled by the Ethernet adaptor.	The UDP packet size is controlled by the OutputDatagramPacketSize property. You can specify the size, in bytes, between 1 and 65,535, and the default value is 512.
You might need to enable port sharing.	If you are receiving UDP broadcasts on a shared port, set the EnablePortSharing property to on. For the syntax, see "Enable Port Sharing Over UDP" in "Create a UDP Object and View Properties" on page 8-2.
If the amount of data being received spans multiple UDP packets, it is possible that the system dropped packets.	The UDP packet size is controlled by the OutputDatagramPacketSize property. You can specify the size, in bytes, between 1 and 65,535, and the default value is 512. You can increase or decrease the packet size if necessary.

# **More Troubleshooting Help**

For more information about troubleshooting the UDP interface, including supported platforms, adaptor requirements, configuration and connection, and other troubleshooting tips, see "Troubleshooting UDP Interface" on page 20-25.

# **UDP Warning - Unable to Read All Data**

These remedies apply to the case when you receive some data and you get this warning message:

'udp' unable to read all requested data

### **ASCII Data**

When using the UDP interface for:

• Reading ASCII (text) data using the fscanf, fgets, or fgetl functions

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
An incorrect read terminator was used.	Verify that the Terminator property is set to the value required by your device. For more information about setting the property, see Terminator.
Communication with the device was interrupted.	Check your device connection. For more information about troubleshooting configuration and connection, see "Troubleshooting UDP Interface" on page 20-25.

### **Binary Data**

When using the UDP interface for:

• Reading binary data using the fread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
The number of values to read was not specified and was set to the InputBufferSize by default.	Set the number of values to read using the size argument on the fread function, or change the InputBufferSize property. For more information about setting the property, see InputBufferSize. For information about setting number of values to read, see fread.
Device did not send all the requested data.	Check your device connection. For more information about troubleshooting configuration and connection, see "Troubleshooting UDP Interface" on page 20-25.
There was a data format mismatch.	Verify that the device data format matches the specified read format. Data format is set using the Precision property. For more information about supported precisions, see fread.
If the amount of data being received spans multiple UDP packets, it is possible that the system dropped packets.	The UDP packet size is controlled by the OutputDatagramPacketSize property. You can specify the size, in bytes, between 1 and 65,535, and the default value is 512. You can increase or decrease the packet size if necessary.

### **Binblock Data**

When using the UDP interface for:

• Reading binblock (binary-block) data using the binblockread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
	Increase the Timeout property value. For more information about setting the property, see Timeout.
Communication with the device was interrupted.	Check your device connection. For more information about troubleshooting configuration and connection, see "Troubleshooting UDP Interface" on page 20-25.

## **More Troubleshooting Help**

For more information about troubleshooting the UDP interface, including supported platforms, adaptor requirements, configuration and connection, and other troubleshooting tips, see "Troubleshooting UDP Interface" on page 20-25.

# **GPIB Warning - Unable to Read Any Data**

These remedies apply to the case when you receive no data and you get this warning message:

'gpib' unable to read any data

When using the GPIB interface for:

- Reading ASCII (text) data using the fscanf, fgets, or fgetl functions
- Reading binary data using the fread function
- Reading binblock data using the binblockread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
The device did not receive the command because of an incorrect GPIB address or resource string.	Verify that the device is at the GPIB address that you specified when you created the gpib object. For information about setting the address, see gpib.
The E0IMode property is not set correctly.	Verify that the EOIMode property is set to the value required by your device. You can set it to on or off, and on is the default. For more information about setting the property, see "Write and Read GPIB Data" on page 4-10.
You might have connected to the wrong instrument.	Check the GPIB address. Verify that the device is at the GPIB address that you specified when you created the gpib object. For information about setting the address, see gpib.

### **More Troubleshooting Help**

For more information about troubleshooting the GPIB interface, including supported platforms, adaptor requirements, configuration and connection, and other troubleshooting tips, see "Troubleshooting GPIB Interface" on page 20-17.

# **GPIB Warning - Unable to Read All Data**

These remedies apply to the case when you receive some data and you get this warning message:

'gpib' unable to read all requested data

### **ASCII Data**

When using the GPIB interface for:

• Reading ASCII (text) data using the fscanf, fgets, or fgetl functions

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
The EOIMode property is not set correctly.	Verify that the EOIMode property is set to the value required by your device. You can set it to on or off, and on is the default. For more information about setting the property, see "Write and Read GPIB Data" on page 4-10.
The EOIMode property is set to off, but the EOSMode and EOSCharCode properties might not be configured to the same setting as the instrument.	Verify that the EOSMode and EOSCharCode properties are configured to the same settings as your device. For more information about setting the properties, see EOSMode and EOSCharCode.
Communication with the device was interrupted.	Check your device connection. For more information about troubleshooting configuration and connection, see "Troubleshooting GPIB Interface" on page 20-17.

### **Binary Data**

When using the GPIB interface for:

• Reading binary data using the fread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
Device did not send all the requested data.	Check your device connection. For more information about troubleshooting configuration and connection, see "Troubleshooting GPIB Interface" on page 20-17.
There was a data format mismatch.	Verify that the device data format matches the specified read format. Data format is set using the Precision property. For more information about supported precisions, see fread.
The number of values to read was not specified and was set to the InputBufferSize by default.	Set the number of values to read using the size argument on the fread function, or change the InputBufferSize property. For more information about setting the property, see InputBufferSize. For information about setting number of values to read, see fread.

#### **Binblock Data**

When using the GPIB interface for:

• Reading binblock (binary-block) data using the binblockread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
	Increase the Timeout property value. For more information about setting the property, see Timeout.
Communication with the device was interrupted.	Check your device connection. For more information about troubleshooting configuration and connection, see "Troubleshooting GPIB Interface" on page 20-17.

## **More Troubleshooting Help**

For more information about troubleshooting the GPIB interface, including supported platforms, adaptor requirements, configuration and connection, and other troubleshooting tips, see "Troubleshooting GPIB Interface" on page 20-17.

# TCP/IP Socket Using VISA Warning - Unable to Read Any Data

These remedies apply to the case when you receive no data and you get this warning message:

'visa' unable to read any data

When using the VISA TCP/IP Socket for:

- Reading ASCII (text) data using the fscanf, fgets, or fgetl functions
- Reading binary data using the fread function
- Reading binblock data using the binblockread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
An invalid command was sent to the device, so there is a problem reading the response to the command.	Check your device manual for proper command formatting.
The write EOSCharCode is incorrect.	Verify that the EOSCharCode property is set to the value required by your device. For more information about setting the property, see EOSCharCode.
Your device did not receive the command because either the TCP/IP remote host address or the remote port is incorrect.	Verify that the device is at the remote host address that you specified, and is listening on the remote port that you specified when you created the visa object. For more information about communication settings, see "Create TCP/IP Client and Configure Settings" on page 7-3 and "Write and Read Data over TCP/IP Interface" on page 7-7.

### **More Troubleshooting Help**

For more information about troubleshooting the TCP/IP Socket using VISA interface, including supported platforms, adaptor requirements, configuration and connection, and other troubleshooting tips, see "Troubleshooting TCP/IP Client Interface" on page 20-21 and "Troubleshooting IVI and Quick-Control Interfaces" on page 20-27.

# TCP/IP Socket Using VISA Warning - Unable to Read All Data

These remedies apply to the case when you receive some data and you get this warning message:

'visa' unable to read all requested data

#### **ASCII Data**

When using the VISA TCP/IP Socket for:

• Reading ASCII (text) data using the fscanf, fgets, or fgetl functions

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
The read EOSCharCode is incorrect.	Verify that the EOSCharCode property is set to the value required by your device. For more information about setting the property, see EOSCharCode.
Communication with the device was interrupted.	Check your device connection. For more information about troubleshooting configuration and connection, see "Troubleshooting TCP/IP Client Interface" on page 20-21 and "Troubleshooting IVI and Quick-Control Interfaces" on page 20-27.

### **Binary Data**

When using the VISA TCP/IP Socket for:

Reading binary data using the fread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
The number of values to read was not specified and was set to the InputBufferSize by default.	Set the number of values to read using the Count property on the fread function, or change the InputBufferSize property. For more information about setting the property, see InputBufferSize. For information about setting number of values to read, see fread.
Device did not send all the requested data.	Check your device connection. For more information about troubleshooting configuration and connection, see "Troubleshooting TCP/IP Client Interface" on page 20-21 and "Troubleshooting IVI and Quick-Control Interfaces" on page 20-27.
There was a data format mismatch.	Verify that the device data format matches the specified read format. Data format is set using the Precision property. For more information about supported precisions, see fread.

#### **Binblock Data**

When using the VISA TCP/IP Socket for:

• Reading binblock (binary-block) data using the binblockread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
The timeout value might be too short for the amount of data being read.	Increase the Timeout property value. For more information about setting the property, see Timeout.
Communication with the device was interrupted.	Check your device connection. For more information about troubleshooting configuration and connection, see "Troubleshooting TCP/IP Client Interface" on page 20-21 and "Troubleshooting IVI and Quick-Control Interfaces" on page 20-27.

## **More Troubleshooting Help**

For more information about troubleshooting the TCP/IP Socket using VISA interface, including supported platforms, adaptor requirements, configuration and connection, and other troubleshooting tips, see "Troubleshooting TCP/IP Client Interface" on page 20-21 and "Troubleshooting IVI and Quick-Control Interfaces" on page 20-27.

# **Bluetooth Warning - Unable to Read Any Data**

These remedies apply to the case when you receive no data and you get this warning message:

'Bluetooth' unable to read any data

When using the Bluetooth interface for:

- Reading ASCII (text) data using the fscanf, fgets, or fgetl functions
- Reading binary data using the fread function
- Reading binblock data using the binblockread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
An invalid command was sent to the device, so there is a problem reading the response to the command.	Check your device manual for proper command formatting.
An incorrect write terminator was sent to the instrument before attempting to read data, so there is no data to read.	Verify that the Terminator property is set to the value required by your device. For more information about setting the property, see Terminator.
An incorrect RemoteName, RemoteID, or Channel was used.	Verify that the device is paired and connected.

# **Bluetooth Warning - Unable to Read All Data**

These remedies apply to the case when you receive some data and you get this warning message:

'Bluetooth' unable to read all requested data

#### **ASCII Data**

When using the Bluetooth interface for:

• Reading ASCII (text) data using the fscanf, fgets, or fgetl functions

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
	Verify that the Terminator property is set to the value required by your device. For more information about setting the property, see Terminator.
Communication with the device was interrupted.	Check your device connection.

### **Binary Data**

When using the Bluetooth interface for:

Reading binary data using the fread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
The number of values to read was not specified and was set to the InputBufferSize by default, or the number of values to be read was specified to a value greater than the BytesAvailable property.	Set the number of values to read using the size argument on the fread function, or change the InputBufferSize property. For more information about setting the property, see InputBufferSize. For information about setting number of values to read, see fread.
Device did not send all the requested data.	Check your device connection.
There was a data format mismatch.	Verify that the device data format matches the specified read format. Data format is set using the Precision property. For more information about supported precisions, see fread.

#### **Binblock Data**

When using the Bluetooth interface for:

• Reading binblock (binary-block) data using the binblockread function

these are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
	Increase the Timeout property value. For more information about setting the property, see Timeout.
Communication with the device was interrupted.	Check your device connection.

# **Serialport Warning - Unable to Read Any Data**

These remedies apply to the case when you receive no data and you get this warning message:

'serialport' unable to read any data.

When using the serialport interface for:

- Reading ASCII (text) data using the readline or writeread functions
- · Reading binary data using the read function
- Reading binblock data using the readbinblock function

These are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
An invalid command was sent to the device, so there is a problem reading the response to the command.	Check your device manual for proper command formatting.
Your device is connected to an incorrect serial port.	Verify that your device is connected to the specified port. It must match the port you specify when you create the serialport object. For information about specifying the port, see serialport.
An incorrect write terminator was sent to the instrument before attempting to read data, so there is no data to read.	Verify that the Terminator property is set to the value required by your device. For more information about setting the property, see configureTerminator.
Your device is not configured to send data on the serial port.	Verify the device communication settings. For more information about communication settings, see "Create Serial Port Object" on page 6-13 and "Configure Serial Port Communication Settings" on page 6-15.

### **More Troubleshooting Help**

For more information about troubleshooting the Serial interface, including supported platforms, adaptor requirements, configuration and connection, and other troubleshooting tips, see "Troubleshooting Serial Port Interface" on page 20-14.

# **Serialport Warning - Unable to Read All Data**

These remedies apply to the case when you receive some data and you get this warning message:

'serialport' unable to read all requested data.

When using the serialport interface for:

Reading binary data using the read function

These are possible causes and remedies:

Cause	Solution
The number of values to read was set to a higher value than what was available to be read.	Set the number of values to read using the input argument count on the read function. For information about setting the number of values to read, see read.
Device did not send all the requested data.	Check your device connection. For more information about troubleshooting configuration and connection, see "Troubleshooting Serial Port Interface" on page 20-14.
There was a data format mismatch.	Verify that the device data format matches the specified read format. Data format is set using the input argument precision on the read function. For more information about supported precisions, see read.

### **More Troubleshooting Help**

For more information about troubleshooting the Serial interface, including supported platforms, adaptor requirements, configuration and connection, and other troubleshooting tips, see "Troubleshooting Serial Port Interface" on page 20-14.

# Resolve TCP/IP Client Warning: Unable to Read Any Data

### Issue

These remedies apply when you receive no data and you get this warning message:

'tcplient' unable to read any data

### **Possible Solutions**

Try these remedies to resolve the following causes for when you use the TCP/IP client interface for:

- Reading ASCII (text) data using the readline function.
- Reading binary data using the read function.
- Reading binblock data using the readbinblock function.

Cause	Solution
An invalid command was sent to the device, so there is a problem reading the response to the command.	Check your device manual for proper command formatting.
An incorrect write terminator was sent to the instrument before attempting to read data, so there is no data to read.	Verify that the Terminator property is set to the value required by your device. For more information about setting the property, see configureTerminator.
Your device did not receive the command because the remote host address or the remote port is incorrect.	Verify that the device is at the remote host address that you specified, and is listening on the remote port that you specified when you created the tcpclient object. For more information about communication settings, see "Create TCP/IP Client and Configure Settings" on page 7-3 and "Write and Read Data over TCP/IP Interface" on page 7-7.

### See Also

configureTerminator|read|readline

### **More About**

• "Troubleshooting TCP/IP Client Interface" on page 20-21

# Resolve TCP/IP Server Warning: Unable to Read Any Data

### Issue

These remedies apply when you receive no data and you get this warning message:

'tcpserver' unable to read any data

### **Possible Solutions**

Try these remedies to resolve the following causes for when you use the TCP/IP server interface for:

- Reading ASCII (text) data using the readline function.
- Reading binary data using the read function.
- Reading binblock data using the readbinblock function.

Cause	Solution
An invalid command was sent to the connected client, so there is a problem reading the response to the command from the server.	Check your client's documentation for proper command formatting.
An incorrect write terminator was sent to the connected client before attempting to read data, so there is no data to read.	Verify that the server's Terminator property is set to the value required by your client. The server and its connected client must have the same terminator. For more information about setting the property, see configureTerminator.
The server did not receive the data because a client was not connected to it or the connected client did not send any data.	Verify that the client is created using the address and port that you specified when you created the tcpserver object. Check that the value of the Connected property is 1 (true) for the server. Also verify that the connected client has attempted to send data to the server.

### See Also

read | readline | readbinblock

# **Related Examples**

"Troubleshooting TCP/IP Server Interface" on page 20-23

# Resolve TCP/IP Server Warning: Unable to Read All Data

### Issue

These remedies apply when you receive some data and you get this warning message:

'tcpserver' unable to read all requested data

### **Possible Solutions**

Try these remedies to resolve the following causes when you use the TCP/IP server interface for reading binary data using the read function.

Cause	Solution
The number of values to read was set to a higher value than the number of values available to be read.	Confirm that you set the correct number of values to read with the read function. Check the amount of data available with the NumBytesAvailable property of the tcpserver object. For information about setting the number of values to read, see read.
Client did not send all the requested data.	Check your client connection. For more information about troubleshooting configuration and connection, see "Troubleshooting TCP/IP Server Interface" on page 20-23.
There was a data format mismatch.	Verify that the client data type matches the specified server read data type. Specify the server data type with read. For information about supported data types, see read.

### **See Also**

read

# **Related Examples**

• "Troubleshooting TCP/IP Server Interface" on page 20-23

# **Resolve UDP Port Warning: Unable to Read Any Data**

### Issue

These remedies apply when you receive no data and you get this warning message:

'udpport' unable to read any data

### **Possible Solutions**

Try these remedies to resolve the following causes when you use the UDP interface for:

- Reading ASCII (text) data using the readline function.
- Reading binary data using the read function.

Cause	Solution
An invalid command was sent to the destination UDP port, so there is a problem reading the response to the command.	Check the manual of the destination device for proper command formatting.
An incorrect write terminator was sent to the destination UDP port before attempting to read data, so there is no data to read.	Verify that the Terminator property is set to the value required by your destination UDP port. For more information about setting the property, see configureTerminator.
The destination UDP port did not receive the command because of an incorrect destination port value.	Verify that the UDP destination port value is set to the port number the device is listening on. For more information about setting the destination port, see write or writeline.
A firewall is blocking incoming UDP packets.	Verify that your system firewall setting allows connections to LocalPort.
The UDP packet size is larger than the maximum packet size that can be handled by the Ethernet adaptor.	The UDP packet size is controlled by the OutputDatagramSize property. You can specify the size, in bytes, between 1 and 65507, and the default value is 512.

## See Also

## **More About**

"Troubleshooting UDP Interface" on page 20-25

# Resolve UDP Port Warning: Unable to Read All Data

### Issue

These remedies apply when you receive some data and you get this warning message:

'udpport' unable to read all requested data

## **Possible Solutions**

Try these remedies to resolve the following causes when you use the UDP interface for reading binary data using the read function.

Cause	Solution
The number of values to read was larger than the number of values available.	Confirm that you have the correct number of values of data available before you read. Check the amount of data available with the NumBytesAvailable or NumDatagramsAvailable property of the udpport object.
Device did not send all the requested data.	Check your device connection. For more information about troubleshooting configuration and connection, see "Troubleshooting UDP Interface" on page 20-25.
There was a data format mismatch.	Verify that the device data type matches the specified read data type. Specify the data type with read. For more information about supported precisions, see read.

## See Also

## **More About**

• "Troubleshooting UDP Interface" on page 20-25

# **Resolve VISA Warning: Unable to Read Any Data**

### Issue

These remedies apply when you receive no data and you get this warning message:

'visadev' unable to read any data

## **Possible Solutions**

Try these remedies to resolve the following causes for when you use the VISA interface for:

- Reading ASCII (text) data using the readline function.
- Reading binary data using the read function.
- Reading binblock data using the readbinblock function.

Cause	Solution
The device did not receive the command because of an incorrect resource name. You might have connected to the wrong device.	Verify that the device is associated with the resource name that you specified when you created the visadev object.
An invalid command was sent to the device, so there is a problem reading the response to the command.	Check your device documentation for proper command formatting.
An incorrect write terminator was configured before attempting to read data, so there is no data to read.	Verify that the Terminator property is set to the value required by your device. For more information about setting the property, see configureTerminator.
The device is not configured to read binblock data.	Configure the instrument for binblock data. Check your device documentation.

Try these steps for the VISA-Serial interface:

Cause	Solution
Your device is connected to an incorrect serial port.	Verify that your device is connected to the specified port. It must match the port you specify when you create the visadev object.
Your device is not configured to send data on the serial port.	Verify the device communication settings.

Try these steps for the VISA-Socket interface:

Cause	Solution
Your device did not receive the command because either the TCP/IP remote host address or the remote port is incorrect.	Verify that the device is at the remote host address that you specified, and is listening on the remote port that you specified when you created the visadev object.

# See Also

read | readline | readbinblock

# **Related Examples**

• "Troubleshooting VISA Interface" on page 20-31

# **Resolve VISA Warning: Unable to Read All Data**

### Issue

These remedies apply when you receive some data and you get this warning message:

'visadev' unable to read all requested data

### **Possible Solutions**

Try these remedies to resolve the following causes when you use the VISA interface for reading binary data using the read function.

Cause	Solution
The number of values to read was set to a higher value than the number of values available to be read.	Confirm that you set the correct number of values to read with the read function. For information about setting the number of values to read, see read.
Device did not send all the requested data or communication with the device was interrupted.	Check your device connection. For more information about troubleshooting configuration and connection, see "Troubleshooting VISA Interface" on page 20-31.
There was a data format mismatch.	Verify that the device data type matches the specified read data type. Specify the data type with read. For more information about supported data types, see read.
The timeout value might be too short for the amount of data being read.	Increase the Timeout property value. For more information about setting the property, see "Timeout" on page 24-0 .

## See Also

read

# **Related Examples**

"Troubleshooting VISA Interface" on page 20-31

## **Resolve Serial Port Connection Errors**

### Issue

If you are unable to connect to a serial port device using the serialport interface, follow these troubleshooting steps.

### Possible Solutions

#### **Check Device Status**

Check that the specified port is not in use.

- Make sure that a serialport object using the same port number does not already exist in the workspace. You can create only one serialport object for each port.
- Check that your device is not in use outside of MATLAB. Disconnect your device from any other devices, applications, or programs.
- Use a third-party serial communication software, such as PuTTY, to check that you can access the specified port from other software.
- Make sure that your device is powered on and connected to your computer.

## **Verify Port Name**

Check that the specified port name is correct and that a device is connected to it.

- Use the serialportlist function to return a list of all serial ports that you have access to on your computer. Use serialportlist("available") to return a list of only serial ports that are available. Make sure that you are creating a serialport object using one of the listed ports.
- Check from your computer settings that the device connected to the serial port is available. For more information on how to view this information on your platform, see "Find Serial Port Information for Your Platform" on page 6-9.

### **Specify Supported Parameters**

Check that the specified parameters are supported by your device.

- Make sure that the baud rate specified as an input argument is supported by your device. Refer to
  your device documentation for this information. The baud rate must match the device
  configuration.
- If you have specified any other parameters using name-value arguments, make sure that those are supported by your device as well. You can specify the DataBits, Parity, StopBits, FlowControl, ByteOrder, and Timeout properties using name-value arguments.

#### **Additional Troubleshooting for Virtual Serial Port Connection**

If you have devices that present themselves as serial ports on your operating system, you can use them as virtual USB serial ports. One example of such a device is a USB serial dongles.

• If you are connecting to a device over a virtual serial port, check that the device drivers are properly installed.

• If you are using Linux, you might need to enable permissions to read from and write to a virtual serial port. Some Linux distributions require the user account to be a member of the dialout group to have permission to read from and write to the serial port.

## See Also

serialport

# **Related Examples**

"Troubleshooting Serial Port Interface" on page 20-14

# **Resolve TCP/IP Client Connection Errors**

### Issue

If you are unable to create a TCP/IP client using the tcpclient interface, follow these troubleshooting steps.

### **Possible Solutions**

#### **Check IP Address and Port**

- If your instrument supports TCP socket communication by allowing control and communication on a static TCP/IP port, the port number is typically set by the manufacturer. However, you might need to enable a TCP socket server on the instrument. Run the following commands in MATLAB with your remote host IP address or host name and port. In this example, the remote host IP address is 192.168.1.111 and port is 4000.
  - 1 Check that the IP address or host name you specified can be reached.

```
!ping 192.168.1.111
```

**2** Check that the port is accessible using Telnet or another application that supports Telnet, such as PuTTY.

```
!telnet 192.168.1.111 4000
```

• Verify that the specified IP address or host name is valid by using resolvehost. If the output is empty, the specified IP address or host name is invalid. For example, if the host name is en.wikipedia.org, run the following.

```
[name,address] = resolvehost("en.wikipedia.org")
name =
   'en.wikipedia.org'
address =
   '208.80.154.224'
```

- Make sure that you specified the correct port number. Refer to your instrument manual or contact your instrument manufacturer to check the port number.
- Check that a TCP socket server is listening at the specified port. For example, on certain Tektronix
  oscilloscope models, you might have to enable the socket server, which is a feature provided by
  TekVISA running on the instrument itself and can provide a raw TCP connection for instrument
  control.
- Use a third-party TCP/IP communication software, such as PuTTY, to check that you can access the specified IP address and port from other software.

#### **Check Network Connection**

Make sure that your network connection is configured properly.

- Make sure that your network adapter is enabled and connected.
- If the instrument has a built-in PC running the TCP socket server, check if a firewall on the instrument's PC is blocking communication.
- Check if a firewall on the client computer is blocking communication.
- Some instruments and servers (such as tcpserver objects) allow only one connection. Make sure that the instrument or server is not already connected to another client.

## See Also

tcpclient

## **Related Examples**

"Troubleshooting TCP/IP Client Interface" on page 20-21

# **Resolve TCP/IP Server Connection Errors**

## Issue

If you are unable to create a TCP/IP server using the tcpserver interface, follow these troubleshooting steps.

### **Possible Solutions**

- Make sure that your network adapter is enabled and connected.
- Check that the IP address you specify is available on your machine. To see valid IP addresses for your machine, run the following command in MATLAB on Windows.

#### !ipconfig

On Linux and macOS, run the following command.

#### !ifconfig

• Verify that the specified IP address or host name is valid by using resolvehost. If the output is empty, the specified IP address or host name is invalid. For example, if the host name is en.wikipedia.org, run the following.

```
[name,address] = resolvehost("en.wikipedia.org")
name =
   'en.wikipedia.org'
address =
   '208.80.154.224'
```

• Make sure that you do not specify a port that is already in use. In addition, you can only create one server object for a given address and port combination. To see all TCP/IP ports in use, run the following command in MATLAB.

```
!netstat -a -n -p TCP
```

### See Also

tcpserver

# **Related Examples**

"Troubleshooting TCP/IP Server Interface" on page 20-23

## **Resolve UDP Port Connection Errors**

#### Issue

If you are unable to connect to a UDP socket using the udpport interface, follow these troubleshooting steps.

### **Possible Solutions**

- Make sure that your network adapter is enabled and connected.
- Make sure that you do not specify a local port that is already in use. In addition, you can only create one udpport object for a given host and port combination. To see all local ports in use, run the following command in MATLAB.

```
!netstat -a -n -p UDP
```

- If you are using the same port for multiple UDP sockets, make sure that port sharing is enabled for the specified port.
- If you specified LocalHost as a name-value argument, make sure that it represents your computer's host name or IP address that you want to listen on for incoming UDP packets. If you want to specify the host name or address to send packets to, specify it in the write (byte-type and datagram-type udpport objects) or writeline (byte-type udpport objects) functions.
- If you specified a local host, check that the local host IP address is available on your machine. To see valid IP addresses for your machine, run the following command in MATLAB on Windows.

#### !ipconfig

On Linux and macOS, run the following command.

#### !ifconfia

• Verify that the specified local host name is valid by using resolvehost.

### See Also

udpport

# **Related Examples**

"Troubleshooting UDP Interface" on page 20-25

## **Resolve VISA Connection Errors**

### Issue

If you are unable to connect to a VISA device using the visadev interface, follow these troubleshooting steps.

### **Possible Solutions**

### **Configuration and Connection**

- 1 Make sure your device is powered on and all cables are properly connected.
- Make sure that you have the correct instrument driver installed for your device. Refer to your device documentation and the vendor website.

**Note** If you are connecting to a GPIB device using an NI GPIB adaptor, you must download the NI-488.2 driver compatible with your VISA driver version from the NI website. The NI-488.2 driver is not available as an Instrument Control Toolbox support package.

- Make sure that your device is supported in Instrument Control Toolbox. See "Is My Hardware Supported?" on page 20-4 and "Instrument Control Toolbox Supported Hardware".
- 4 Make sure that Instrument Control Toolbox recognizes your device, by using the visadevlist function.

```
resourceList = visadevlist
```

```
resourceList = 6×6 table
```

	ResourceName	Alias	Vendor	
1	"USB0::0x0699::0x036A::CU010105::0::INSTR"	"NI_SCOPE_4CH"	"TEKTRONIX"	
2	"TCPIP0::169.254.2.20::inst0::INSTR"	"Keysight_33210A"	"Agilent Technolo	
3	"ASRL1::INSTR"	"COM1"	11 11	
4	"ASRL3::INSTR"	"C0M3"	11 11	
5	"GPIB0::5::INSTR"	"FGEN_2CH"	"Agilent Technolo	
6	"GPIB0::11::INSTR"	"OSCOPE_2CH"	"TEKTRONIX"	

Create a visadev object using one of the resource names listed. If your instrument is not listed, it might not be configured properly in your VISA vendor's configuration utility software.

**Note** VISA-TCP/IP, VISA-Socket, and VISA-Serial instruments and devices might need to be added manually in the VISA vendor's configuration utility to appear in the visadevlist output.

#### **VISA Driver Configuration**

If you are still having connection or communication issues with your instrument using VISA, you can troubleshoot using your VISA vendor's software and utilities, as described in the following table.

VISA Vendor	Configuration Utility	Testing Connection	Debug Utility
Keysight VISA	Keysight Connection Expert (KCE)	Interactive IO button on KCE	IO Monitor button on KCE
NI-VISA	NI Measurement and Automation Explorer (NI MAX)	Tools > NI VISA > VISA Interactive Control	Tools > NI I/O Trace
Rohde & Schwarz R&S VISA	RsVisaConfigure, launched from RsVisa Config tab on RsVisaTester	RsVisaTester	RsVisaTraceTool, launched from RsVisa TraceTool tab on RsVisaTester

- 1 Use the VISA Conflict Manager settings from your VISA vendor's configuration utility to make sure that you have a preferred VISA set and that it is enabled. Check if all the VISA interfaces are using the expected VISA. For R&S VISA, make sure it is set to "Preferred". For example, for the Keysight Connection Expert, do the following.
  - Open the settings menu and select **Tools** > **VISA Conflict Manager**.
  - Under **Enabled Implementations**, make sure that your VISA vendor is selected.
  - Under **Preferred Implementation**, make sure that your VISA vendor is selected.
- If you are using SCPI commands, check if your device responds to them as expected when they are issued from the configuration utility.
- 3 Use your VISA vendor's configuration utility to make sure that your device hardware is being detected. You can also check that your device responds to a \*IDN? query.
- **4** Use your VISA vendor's debug utility to check the Instrument I/O traffic for errors other than timeout errors.
- 5 Try installing a different supported VISA vendor's driver.

#### Interface-Specific VISA

You can use other Instrument Control Toolbox interfaces to troubleshoot VISA. Try connecting to your devices using these interfaces.

- VISA-TCP/IP tcpclient interface
- VISA-Serial serialport interface

### See Also

visadev

## **Related Examples**

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# Reading Waveforms from an Oscilloscope Using a Quick-Control Oscilloscope Object

This example shows how to use the Quick-Control Oscilloscope to acquire waveforms from an oscilloscope.

Instrument Control Toolbox  $^{\text{TM}}$  software supports communication with instruments through Quick-Control Instrument objects. In this example you will learn to acquire a waveform from a Keysight Technologies  $^{\text{R}}$  (formerly Agilent Technologies  $^{\text{R}}$ ) MSO6014 mixed signal oscilloscope using a Quick-Control oscilloscope object.

For a complete list of supported hardware, visit the Instrument Control Toolbox product page.

#### Introduction

This example is tested on a 32-bit Microsoft® Windows® system, National Instruments® Compliance Package 4.1. Keysight I/O Suite and 546XX IVI-C driver version 1.3.20.0, which can be downloaded from Keysight's website: http://www.keysight.com. Ensure that the VISA utility has been set up to recognize the instrument resource before you execute this example.

### Creating an Oscilloscope

Before acquiring any data, you must create an oscilloscope instance.

```
myScope = oscilloscope()
myScope =
```

oscilloscope: No connection has been setup with instrument, type help oscilloscope for more info

#### **Discovering Available Resources**

Find out available resources. A resource is a string identifier to the instrument. You have to set it before connecting to the instrument.

```
availableResources = getResources(myScope)
availableResources =
TCPIP0::a-m6104a-004598.dhcp.mathworks.com::inst0::INSTR
```

### **Connecting to the Oscilloscope Object**

If multiple resources are available, use a VISA utility to verify the correct resource and set it.

```
myScope.Resource = 'TCPIP0::a-m6104a-004598::inst0::INSTR';
% Connect to the instrument.
connect(myScope);
```

## **Examine the Current Oscilloscope Setting**

```
get(myScope);
```

```
AcquisitionTime: 0.0100
AcquisitionStartDelay: -0.0050
         TriggerLevel: 0.1000
          TriggerSlope: 'rising'
        TriggerSource: 'Channel1'
       WaveformLength: 2000
      TriggerMode: 'normal'
SingleSweepMode: 'on'
          ChannelNames: {'Channel1' 'Channel2' 'Channel3' 'Channel4'}
              Resource: 'TCPIP0::a-m6104a-004598::inst0::INSTR'
Driver: 'Ag546XX'
      ChannelsEnabled: {'Channel1'}
  DriverDetectionMode: 'auto'
               Timeout: 10
                Status: 'open'
```

## **Configuring the Oscilloscope**

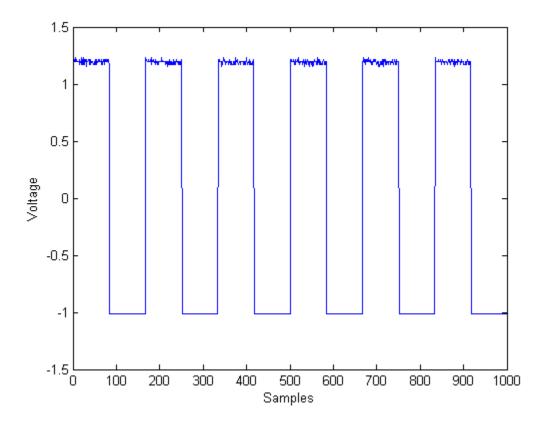
Configure the oscilloscope's settings. The configuration we will use in this example is: acquisition time of 0.01 second with 2000 data points, trigger level of 0.1v and normal trigger mode, channel one enabled and vertical settings as shown below.

```
% Automatically configuring the instrument based on the input signal.
autoSetup(myScope);
myScope.AcquisitionTime = 0.01;
myScope.WaveformLength = 2000;
myScope.TriggerMode = 'normal';
myScope.TriggerLevel = 0.1;
enableChannel(myScope, 'Channel1');
setVerticalCoupling (myScope, 'Channel1', 'AC');
setVerticalRange (myScope, 'Channell', 5.0);
```

### Getting a Waveform from Channel One

This function initiates an acquisition on the enabled channel. It then waits for the acquisition to complete and returns the waveform for the specified channel.

```
waveformArray = getWaveform(myScope, 'acquisition', true);
% Plot the waveform.
plot(waveformArray);
xlabel('Samples');
ylabel('Voltage');
```



# **Cleaning Up**

Once you have finished configuring the instrument and retrieved data from it, you need to close the connection and remove it from the workspace.

disconnect(myScope);
clear myScope;

# Creating and Downloading an Arbitrary Waveform to a **Function Generator**

This example shows how to use the Quick-Control Function Generator to generate arbitrary waveforms.

Instrument Control Toolbox™ supports communication with instruments through interfaces and drivers.

For a complete list of supported hardware, visit the Instrument Control Toolbox product page.

#### Introduction

In this example we will create and download an arbitrary waveform to an arbitrary waveform generator using Quick-Control Function Generator.

#### Requirements

To run this example you need:

- An arbitrary waveform generator (This example uses Tektronix® AFG3022B).
- VISA software installed on your machine (This example uses Agilent® IO Libraries Version 16.1).
- IVI-C drivers for the instruments installed on your machine (This example uses Tektronix® tkafg3k IVI-C driver version 3.2 from the IVI Foundation Driver Registry).
- Instrument Control Toolbox™.

#### **Define waveform parameters**

We will create an arbitrary waveform that consists of three different waveforms. Each waveform's properties, including the amplitude and frequency, will be set in the section below. For each waveform, the amplitude is in volts, while the frequency is in Hz.

When generating signals for a function generator it is important to ensure continuity in the time domain so as to not introduce unintended spectral content in the signal, especially if the waveform is going to be played back repeatedly. To ensure continuity you can define the time vector such that it contains an integral number of cycles of each of the three tones that will compose the synthesized waveform.

```
timeStep = 0.001:
time = 0:timeStep:(1-timeStep);
Parameters for the first waveform
amplitude1 = 0.2;
frequency1 = 10;
Parameters for the second waveform
amplitude2 = 0.8;
frequencv2 = 14:
Parameters for the third waveform
amplitude3 = 0.6:
frequency3 = 18;
```

## **Create arbitrary waveform**

We will create our three individual waveforms using the sin command.

```
waveform1 = amplitude1*sin(2*pi*frequency1*time);
waveform2 = amplitude2*sin(2*pi*frequency2*time);
waveform3 = amplitude3*sin(2*pi*frequency3*time);
```

The arbitrary waveform will be a combination of each of the above listed waveforms.

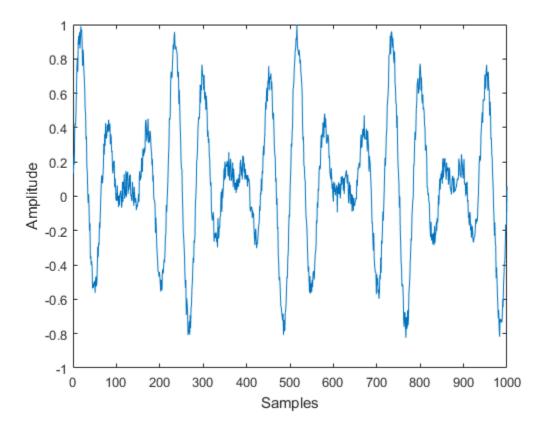
```
waveform = waveform1 + waveform2 + waveform3;
```

Add random noise to the waveform created earlier.

```
waveform = waveform + 0.3*rand(1,size(waveform,2));
```

Some function generators require a normalized waveform. In this case the waveform is normalized between -1 to +1.

```
waveformArray = (waveform./max(waveform))';
plot(waveformArray);
xlabel('Samples');
ylabel('Amplitude');
```



Discover all the available instrument resources (targets) you can connect to, using the resources command.

```
f = fgen;
f.resources
ans =
 1×211 char array
ASRL1::INSTR
ASRL3::INSTR
ASRL::COM1
ASRL::COM3
GPIB0::INTFC
PXI0::MEMACC
TCPIP0::172.28.22.217::inst0::INSTR
TCPIP0::172.28.23.55::inst0::INSTR
TCPIP0::a-d6054l-000006.dhcp.mathworks.com::inst0::INSTR
```

#### Connect to function generator

Now that you have your waveform you need to download it onto the function generator. You will use the Quick-Control Function Generator or fgen function of the Instrument Control Toolbox™ to do so. Because the IP address of the instrument is 172.28.22.217, the resource specified will be TCPIP0::172.28.22.217::inst0::INSTR.

```
f = fgen('TCPIP0::172.28.22.217::inst0::INSTR','tkafg3k');
```

#### Download the created waveform

Specify the channel of the function generator where the waveform would be generated. Here, the waveform would be generated on channel number 1.

```
selectChannel(f, '1');
```

Since you will be generating a custom arbitrary waveform, set the Waveform property to Arb.

```
f.Waveform = 'Arb';
```

You are now ready to download the previously generated arbitrary waveform waveformArray to the function generator.

```
downloadWaveform (f, waveformArray);
```

Enable the waveform generation.

```
enableOutput(f);
```

#### Clean up

```
clear f;
```

# Restoring the BlinkM to Its Factory Settings Using I2C Bus

This example shows how to restore the BlinkM RGB LED to its factory settings by communicating with it over the I2C bus.

To begin, create an I2C object. For this example, we are using the BlinkM RGB LED which has board index as 0 and address (hex) as 9h. To connect the computer to the I2C bus, a USB-I2C adaptor from Aardvark is used. For I2C object creation, this translates to:

```
BoardIndex = 0
• RemoteAddress = 9h

    Vendor = Aardvark.

blinkM = i2c('aardvark',0,hex2dec('09'))
  I2C Object : I2C-0-9h
  Communication Settings
     BoardIndex
      BoardSerial
                          2237481561
     BitRate:
                          100
     RemoteAddress:
                          9h
     Vendor:
                          aardvark
  Communication State
      Status:
                          closed
     RecordStatus:
                          off
  Read/Write State
      TransferStatus:
                          idle
```

Before you can perform a read or write operation, you must connect the I2C object to the device with the fopen function. If the object was successfully connected, its Status property is automatically configured to open.

```
fopen(blinkM);
get(blinkM, 'Status')
ans =
open
```

The default factory setting for the BlinkM is to play the colors white-red-green-blue-off in a sequence. The white color stays for 100 clock ticks while the colors red, green, blue and the off state stay for 50 clock ticks. This example uses a script to play this sequence on the BlinkM RGB LED.

The BlinkM data sheet specifies that the script length can be set by writing 'L' to the device followed by 3 arguments. We will be using the fwrite function to write binary data onto the I2C bus.

• First argument - As we want the default factory settings, use the script with ID 0.

- Second argument Length of the script, this script has 6 lines of code.
- Third argument Number of the repeats of the script, to play the script forever, we set the number of repeats to be 0.

```
fwrite(blinkM,['L' 0 6 0]);
```

Note: The eeprom write time is approximately 20 ms for the BlinkM. Hence you might have to pause to ensure that the command is written successfully.

According to the data sheet, a script line can be written to the device by writing 'W' followed by 7 arguments.

- First argument Script ID, 0 in this case.
- Second argument Line number you want to write.
- Third argument Duration in ticks that the command will last.
- Arguments 4:7 Actual BlinkM command and its arguments.

To start with, first set the fade speed for the device by writing 'f' followed by the speed to the device.

```
fwrite(blinkM,['W' 0 0 1 'f' 10 0 0]);
```

In the next 5 commands, specify the color sequence to be white, red, green, blue and off. A color can be set on the LED by writing 'n' to it followed by the R, G and B values, E.g., set the first color in the sequence to be white by setting the R, G, B values to 255.

```
fwrite(blinkM,['W' 0 1 100 'n' 255 255 255]);
fwrite(blinkM,['W' 0 2 50 'n' 255 0 0]);
fwrite(blinkM,['W' 0 3 50 'n' 0 255 0]);
fwrite(blinkM,['W' 0 4 50 'n' 0 0 255]);
fwrite(blinkM,['W' 0 5 50 'n' 0 0 0]);
```

The BlinkM data sheet specifies that the command to start up (or 'boot') the device is 'B' followed by 5 arguments.

- First argument Set to 1 to play a script.
- Second argument Script ID, 0 in this case.
- Third argument Number of the repeats of the script, to play the script forever, we set the number of repeats to be 0.
- Fourth argument Fade speed.
- Fifth argument Time adjust.

```
fwrite(blinkM,['B' 1 0 0 8 0]);
```

The previously written script can be played by writing 'p' followed by 3 arguments.

- First argument Script ID, 0 in this case.
- Second argument Number of the repeats of the script, to play the script forever, we set the number of repeats to be 0.

• Third argument - Script line number to start playing from.

```
fwrite(blinkM,['p' 0 0 0]);
```

Disconnect it from the device, remove it from memory, and remove it from the workspace.

```
fclose(blinkM);
delete(blinkM);
clear ('blinkM');
```

This concludes the example for restoring the BlinkM to its default state by writing a script to it. This script can be updated to play customised sequences on the BlinkM RGB LED.

# Communicating with EEPROM Using SPI bus

This example shows how to communicate with EEPROM AT25080A on Aardvark's I2C/SPI Activity Board over the Serial Peripheral Interface (SPI) bus.

To begin, create an SPI object. For this example, we are using Aardvark's I2C/SPI Activity Board which has both board index and address as 0. To connect the computer to the SPI bus, a USB-I2C/SPI adaptor from Aardvark is used. For SPI object creation, this translates to:

```
    Vendor = aardvark

  BoardIndex = 0
  Port = 0
eeprom = spi('aardvark',0,0);
disp(eeprom);
SPI Object :
    Adapter Settings
        BoardIndex:
        BoardSerial:
                                2237727782
        VendorName:
                                aardvark
    Communication Settings
        BitRate:
                                1000000 Hz
        ChipSelect:
                                0
        ClockPhase:
                                FirstEdge
        ClockPolarity:
                                IdleLow
        Port:
    Communication State
        ConnectionStatus:
                                Disconnected
    Read/Write State
        TransferStatus:
                                Idle
```

Before you can perform a read or write operation, you must connect the SPI object to the device using the connect function. You can verify that the object has been successfully connected, by checking its ConnectionStatus property. Once connected to the device, the property ConnectionStatus is automatically updated to be Connected.

```
connect(eeprom);
eeprom.ConnectionStatus
ans =
Connected
```

SPI operates in full duplex mode. Hence for any read/write operation, data is always transferred in both directions. This can be illustrated with a simple task of writing 'Hello' to EEPROM and reading it back.

The EEPROM's datasheet specifies the following for reading and writing data:

- The chip should be write-enabled before writing anything to it. The chip can be write-enabled by writing 6 to it. NOTE: If the chip is not write-enabled, it will ignore the write instruction and will return to the standby state
- Data should be written to the chip in the following format:

```
[Write_Command Upper_Byte_Address Lower_Byte_Address data1 data2 \dots]
```

The Write Command for this EEPROM is 2.

• Data should be written to the chip in the following format to read it back correctly:

```
[Read_Command Upper_Byte_Address Lower_Byte_Address zeros(1,size of data to be read back)]
```

The Read Command for this EEPROM is 3.

Write-enable the eeprom

```
write(eeprom,6);
```

Write 'Hello' at the 0th address of EEPROM using the write function.

```
dataToWrite = [2 0 0 double('Hello')];
write(eeprom, dataToWrite);
```

We can now read data back from EEPROM.

```
dataToWrite = [3 0 0 zeros(1,5)];
returnedData = writeAndRead(eeprom, dataToWrite);
```

The data returned is:

- Bytes 1:3 Don't care
- Fourth byte onwards Data read back from EEPROM

In this case, the data read back is:

```
char(returnedData(4:end))
```

```
ans = Hello
```

Disconnect the SPI object and remove it from memory and the workspace.

```
disconnect(eeprom);
clear('eeprom');
```

# Tap Detection with ADXL345 Accelerometer Chip Using the NI **USB 8451 Adaptor**

This example shows how to write and read data from the ADXL345 I2C enabled accelerometer chip using the NI® USB 8451 I2C adaptor. The accelerometer will be configured to detect a double tap and MATLAB® will be used to display a message that the chip has detected this.

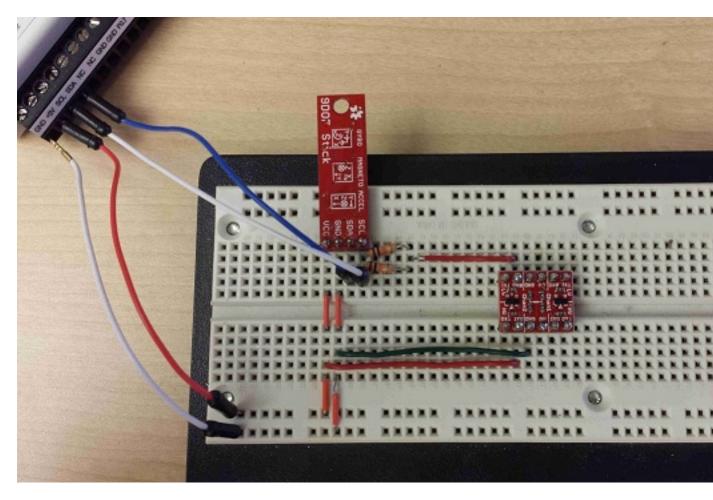
Instrument Control Toolbox™ supports communication with instruments through interfaces and drivers.

For a complete list of supported hardware, visit the Instrument Control Toolbox product page.

### Requirements

This example requires a Microsoft® Windows® system and NI845x driver 2.1.1 or higher installed. Make sure the Measurement & Automation Explorer recognizes the NI845x device before you use this example. In addition, ensure the Measurement & Automation Explorer™ is closed prior to accessing the device form MATLAB.

The example uses the Analog Devices® ADXL345 accelerometer that is mounted on a 9DOF Sensor Stick from SparkFun™. The accelerometer has I2C bus lines that can be connected to the adaptors I2C bus line inputs. The bus lines needs to be pulled up high with external pull up resistors as the NI USB 8451 does not have programmable internal pullup resistors. Note that a level shifter is used to separate V s and V dd.



#### Introduction

Instrument Control Toolbox<sup>™</sup> supports communication with I2C devices via I2C adaptors such as the NI USB 8451. The toolbox allows you to create an I2C interface that can be used to configure the adaptor to communicate with the I2C peripheral chips.

This example will demonstrate how to configure an I2C based accelerometer to respond to tapping the breadboard twice with your finger. When the double tap is detected, a message will be displayed in the MATLAB command window.

# Verify NI845x Installation

Use the instrhwinfo command to check if the NI845x driver is installed correctly and that Instrument Control Toolbox can detect it correctly.

The board serial number should help you identify your device

```
BoardIdsInUse: [1x0 double]
      InstalledBoardIDs: 0
   DetectedBoardSerials: {'0180D47A (BoardIndex: 0)'}
  ObjectConstructorName: 'i2c('ni845x', BoardIndex, RemoteAddress);'
          VendorDllName: 'Ni845x.dll'
VendorDriverDescription: 'National Instruments NI USB 845x Driver'
```

#### Create the I2C Interface and set the bus speed (BitRate property)

```
accelerometerAddress = hex2dec('53');
i2cInterface = i2c('ni845x', 0, accelerometerAddress);
fopen(i2cInterface);
i2cInterface.BitRate = 100;
```

#### Set the tap threshold, second tap latency, second tap window and tap duration register values

Set the register values according to the datasheet of the device. Read the value back from the device to confirm that the value is indeed set.

```
threshTapRegisterAddress = hex2dec('1D');
valueToWrite = hex2dec('50'); %5g value
disp(['Writing Value: ' num2str(valueToWrite)]);
fwrite(i2cInterface, [threshTapRegisterAddress valueToWrite]);
fwrite(i2cInterface, threshTapRegisterAddress);
registerValue = fread(i2cInterface, 1, 'uint8');
disp(['The value of the THRESH_TAP register is :' num2str(registerValue)]);
latentRegisterAddress = hex2dec('22');
valueToWrite = hex2dec('5');
disp(['Writing Value: ' num2str(valueToWrite)]);
fwrite(i2cInterface, [latentRegisterAddress valueToWrite]);
% Confirm the value return to the register
fwrite(i2cInterface, latentRegisterAddress);
registerValue = fread(i2cInterface, 1, 'uint8');
disp(['The value of the LATENT register is :' num2str(registerValue)]);
windowRegisterAddress = hex2dec('23');
valueToWrite = hex2dec('FF');
disp(['Writing Value: ' num2str(valueToWrite)]);
fwrite(i2cInterface, [windowRegisterAddress valueToWrite]);
% Confirm the value return to the register
fwrite(i2cInterface, windowRegisterAddress);
registerValue = fread(i2cInterface, 1, 'uint8');
disp(['The value of the WINDOW register is : ' num2str(registerValue)]);
durationRegisterAddress = hex2dec('21');
valueToWrite = hex2dec('10');
disp(['Writing Value: ' num2str(valueToWrite)]);
fwrite(i2cInterface, [durationRegisterAddress valueToWrite]);
fwrite(i2cInterface, durationRegisterAddress);
registerValue = fread(i2cInterface, 1, 'uint8');
disp(['The value of the DUR register is :' num2str(registerValue)]);
```

```
tapAxesRegisterAddress = hex2dec('2A');
valueToWrite = bin2dec('00000111');
disp(['Writing Value: ' num2str(valueToWrite)]);
fwrite(i2cInterface, [tapAxesRegisterAddress valueToWrite]);
fwrite(i2cInterface, tapAxesRegisterAddress);
registerValue = fread(i2cInterface, 1, 'uint8');
disp(['The value of the TAP AXES register is :' num2str(registerValue)]);
interruptEnableRegisterAddress = hex2dec('2E');
valueToWrite = bin2dec('01100000');
disp(['Writing Value: ' num2str(valueToWrite)]);
fwrite(i2cInterface, [interruptEnableRegisterAddress valueToWrite]);
fwrite(i2cInterface, interruptEnableRegisterAddress);
registerValue = fread(i2cInterface, 1, 'uint8');
disp(['The value of the INT ENABLE register is :' num2str(registerValue)]);
Writing Value: 80
The value of the THRESH TAP register is :80
Writing Value: 5
The value of the LATENT register is :5
Writing Value: 255
The value of the WINDOW register is :255
Writing Value: 16
The value of the DUR register is :16
Writing Value: 7
The value of the TAP_AXES register is :7
Writing Value: 96
The value of the INT ENABLE register is :96
```

#### **Enable operation by writing to POWER CTL register**

Writing to the POWER\_CTL register as per the datasheet will cause the chip to go from standby mode to normal operation mode.

```
powerControlRegisterAddress = hex2dec('2D');
valueToWrite = bin2dec('00001000');
disp(['Writing Value: ' num2str(valueToWrite)]);
fwrite(i2cInterface, [powerControlRegisterAddress valueToWrite]);

fwrite(i2cInterface, powerControlRegisterAddress);
registerValue = fread(i2cInterface, 1, 'uint8');
disp(['The value of the POWER_CTL register is :' num2str(registerValue)]);

Writing Value: 8
The value of the POWER CTL register is :8
```

#### Poll the interrupt register

The interrupt source register will contain bits that correspond to interrupt flags being generated by specific sources. Check to see that the double tap interrupt is generated

```
interruptSourceRegisterAddress = hex2dec('30');
disp('Waiting for double tap...');
while(1)
```

```
fwrite(i2cInterface, interruptSourceRegisterAddress);
   InterruptValues = fread(i2cInterface, 1);
   TapInterrupt = bitand(InterruptValues, bin2dec('00100000'));
   if TapInterrupt
       disp('Double tap detected!');
       break;
   end
end
Waiting for double tap...
Double tap detected!
```

# Reading Inphase and Quadrature (IQ) Data from a Signal Analyzer over TCP/IP

This example shows how to acquire IQ Data from a signal analyzer over a TCP/IP interface.

Instrument Control Toolbox $^{\text{\tiny TM}}$  supports communication with instruments through interfaces and drivers.

For a complete list of supported hardware, visit the Instrument Control Toolbox product page.

#### Introduction

This example acquires IQ Data from a Keysight Technologies® (formerly Agilent Technologies® ) X-Series Signal Analyzer (N9030A, PXA Signal Analyzer) over a TCP/IP interface.

#### Requirements

To run this example you need an X-Series Signal analyzer with an Ethernet (TCP/IP) connection. You can also execute this example with MATLAB on your X-Series analyzer, or on a PC on the same network as the X-Series Analyzer.

This example uses functions from the Instrument Control Toolbox and the DSP System Toolbox™.

#### **Define Measurement Parameters**

Define the parameters used to configure the instrument before you make the measurement. Based on the signal you are measuring, you may need to modify some of the following parameters.

```
% Specify the IP address of the signal analyzer
addressMXA = "172.28.16.61";
```

#### **Parameter Definitions**

```
% Center frequency of the modulated waveform (Hz)
centerFrequency = 2.14e9;
% Bandwidth of the signal (Hz)
bandwidth = 25e6:
% Measurement time (s)
measureTime = 8e-3:
% Mechanical attenuation in the signal analyzer(dB)
mechAttenuation = 0;
% Start frequency for Spectrum Analyzer view
startFrequency = 2.11e9;
% Stop frequency for Spectrum Analyzer view
stopFrequency = 2.17e9;
% Resolution Bandwidth for Spectrum Analyzer view
resolutionBandwidth = 200e3;
% Video Bandwidth for Spectrum Analyzer view
videoBandwidth = 300;
```

#### Connect to the Instrument

- Set up instrument connectivity using a TCP/IP connection.
- Set the timeout to allow sufficient time for the measurement and transfer of data.
- Set the byte order to be "big-endian" to read the floating point data in the correct format from the analyzer.

```
signalAnalyzerObject = tcpclient(addressMXA, 5025);
signalAnalyzerObject.ByteOrder = "big-endian";
signalAnalyzerObject.Timeout = 20;
```

## **Query Instrument Identification Information**

Reset the instrument to a known state using the appropriate SCPI command. Query the instrument identity to make sure we are connected to the right instrument.

```
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject, "*RST");
instrumentInfo = writeread(signalAnalyzerObject, "*IDN?");
disp("Instrument identification information: " + instrumentInfo);
Instrument identification information: Agilent Technologies, N9030A, US00071181, A.14.16
```

#### Set Up Instrument for an IQ Waveform Measurement

The X-Series signal and spectrum analyzers perform IQ measurements as well as spectrum measurements. In this example, you acquire the time domain IQ data, visualize it in MATLAB, and perform signal analysis on the acquired data. Use SCPI commands to configure the instrument to make the measurement and define the format of the data transfer once the measurement is made.

```
% Set up signal analyzer mode to Basic/IQ mode
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject,":INSTrument:SELect BASIC");
% Set the center frequency
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject,":SENSe:FREQuency:CENTer " + num2str(centerFrequency));
% Set the resolution bandwidth
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject,":SENSe:WAVEform:BANDwidth:RESolution " + num2str(bandwidth));
% Turn off averaging
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject,":SENSe:WAVeform:AVER OFF");
% Set to take one single measurement once the trigger line goes high
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject,":INIT:CONT OFF");
% Set the trigger to external source 1 with positive slope triggering
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject,":TRIGger:WAVeform:SOURce IMMediate");
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject,":TRIGger:LINE:SLOPe POSitive");
% Set the time for which measurement needs to be made
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject,":WAVeform:SWE:TIME " + num2str(measureTime));
% Turn off electrical attenuation.
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject,":SENSe:POWer:RF:EATTenuation:STATe OFF");
% Set mechanical attenuation level
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject,":SENSe:POWer:RF:ATTenuation " + num2str(mechAttenuation));
```

```
% Turn IQ signal ranging to auto
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject,":SENSe:VOLTage:IQ:RANGe:AUTO ON");
% Set the endianness of returned data
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject,":FORMat:BORDer NORMal");
% Set the format of the returned data
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject,":FORMat:DATA REAL,32");
```

#### **Initiate Measurement**

Trigger the instrument to make the measurement, wait for the measurement operation to be complete and read in the waveform. Before you process the data, separate the I & the Q components from the interleaved data returned by the instrument and create a complex vector in MATLAB.

```
% Trigger the instrument and initiate measurement
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject, "*TRG");
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject, ":INITiate:WAVeform");
% Wait till measure operation is complete
measureComplete = writeread(signalAnalyzerObject, "*OPC?");
% Read the IQ data
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject, ":READ:WAVO?");
data = readbinblock(signalAnalyzerObject, "single");
% Read the additional terminator character from the instrument
read(signalAnalyzerObject,1);
% Separate the data and build the complex IQ vector.
inphase = data(1:2:end);
quadrature = data(2:2:end);
IQData = inphase+li*quadrature;
```

#### **Display Information About the Measurement**

The instrument provides information about the most recently acquired data. Capture this information and display it.

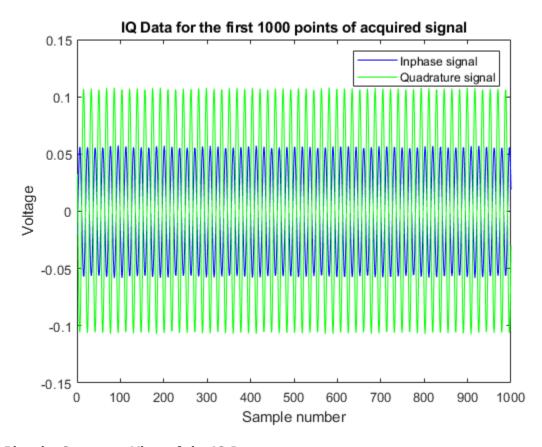
```
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject,":FETCH:WAV1?");
signalSpec = readbinblock(signalAnalyzerObject,"single");
sampleRate = 1/signalSpec(1);
disp("Sample Rate (Hz) = " + num2str(sampleRate));
disp("Number of points read = " + num2str(signalSpec(4)));
disp("Max value of signal (dBm) = " + num2str(signalSpec(6)));
disp("Min value of signal (dBm) = " + num2str(signalSpec(7)));
Sample Rate (Hz) = 31250000.8838
Number of points read = 250001
Max value of signal (dBm) = -8.211
Min value of signal (dBm) = -42.5689
```

#### Plot the Acquired IQ Data

Plot the first 1000 points of acquired time domain data and annotate the figure.

```
figure(1)
plot(real(IQData(1:1000)), "b");
```

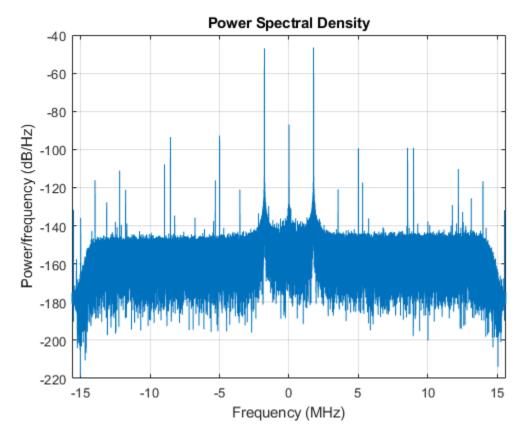
```
hold on
plot(imag(IQData(1:1000)), "g");
legend("Inphase signal", "Quadrature signal");
title("IQ Data for the first 1000 points of acquired signal")
xlabel("Sample number");
ylabel("Voltage");
```



#### Plot the Spectrum View of the IQ Data

The spectrum view might have more information than the time domain view of the data. For example, you may use the spectrum view to identify the main frequency bands, the signal bandwidth, etc. You need the DSP System Toolbox to plot the spectrum view. You may get errors if the required functionality is not available.

```
% Create a periodogram spectrum with a Hamming window
figure(2)
periodogram(IQData, hamming(length(IQData)),[],sampleRate,"centered")
```



#### Switch the Instrument Back to Spectrum Analyzer Mode

Switch the instrument to spectrum analyzer mode and compare the spectrum view generated in MATLAB with the view on the Signal Analyzer. Use additional SCPI commands to configure the instrument measurement and display settings.

```
% Switch back to the spectrum analyzer view
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject, ":INSTrument:SELect SA");
% Set mechanical attenuation level
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject, ":SENSe:POWer:RF:ATTenuation " + num2str(mechAttenuation));
% Set the center frequency, RBW and VBW and trigger
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject, ":SENSe:FREQuency:CENTer " + num2str(centerFrequency));
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject, ":SENSe:FREQuency:START " + num2str(startFrequency));
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject, ":SENSe:FREQuency:STOP " + num2str(stopFrequency));
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject, ":SENSe:BANDwidth:RESolution " + num2str(resolutionBandwidth));
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject, ":SENSe:BANDwidth:VIDeo " + num2str(videoBandwidth));
% Continuous measurement
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject, ":INIT:CONT ON");
% Trigger
writeline(signalAnalyzerObject, "*TRG");
```

# Clean Up

% Close and delete instrument connections  ${\bf clear}$   ${\bf signalAnalyzerObject}$ 

# Fetch Waveform Through NI-SCOPE MATLAB Instrument Driver in Simulation Mode

This example shows how to acquire digital waveform from two channels of a National Instruments® NI-SCOPE driver in the simulation mode.

#### Introduction

Instrument Control Toolbox™ supports communication with instruments through high-level drivers. In this example you can acquire digital waveforms from a National Instruments® NI-SCOPE driver in the simulation mode.

#### Requirements

This example requires a Microsoft® Windows® system and NI-SCOPE package 3.6 or higher. Make sure the Measurement & Automation Explorer recognizes the NI-SCOPE driver before you use this example.

## **Verify NI-SCOPE Installation**

Use the instrhwinfo command to check if the NI-SCOPE software package is installed correctly. If installed correctly, NI-SCOPE is listed as one of the modules installed on the Windows machine. This example uses libraries installed with it.

```
driversInfo = instrhwinfo ('ivi');
disp(driversInfo.Modules');
```

```
{'nidcpower'
{'nidmm'
{'niFgen'
{'nisACPwr'
{'niScope'
{'nisCounter'
{'nisDCPwr'
{'nisDigitizer'
{'nisDmm'
{'nisDownconverter'}
{'nisFGen'
{'nisPwrMeter'
{'nisRFSigGen'
{'nisScope'
{'nisSpecAn'
{'nisSwtch'
{'nisUpconverter'
{'niSwitch'
```

#### Create a MATLAB Instrument object

Use the icdevice function to create an instrument object from the MDD you generated, and establish a connection to the scope using that object.

icdevice function takes two or more input arguments. The MDD file name, the resource name for the scope and optionally, device-specific parameters that can be set.

You can get the resource name for the scope from NI Measurement and Automation Explorer. For example: A resource name of PXI1Slot6 in NI MAX would be PXI1Slot6. You can remove the optionstring argument and the corresponding string parameter if you have the actual hardware.

You can establish a connection to the scope using the connect command.

```
ictObj = icdevice('niscope.mdd', 'PXI1Slot6', 'optionstring', 'simulate=true');
connect(ict0bj);
disp(ict0bj);
   Instrument Device Object Using Driver : niScope
   Instrument Information
     Type:
                         IVIInstrument
     Manufacturer:
                         National Instruments Corp.
     Model:
                         NI Digitizers
   Driver Information
                         MATLAB IVI
      DriverType:
      DriverName:
                         niScope
     DriverVersion:
                          1.0
   Communication State
     Status:
                          open
```

### **Configure the Scope**

For the purpose of this example, the scope is configured using auto setup which automatically sets the vertical range, sample rate, trigger level and a few other settings.

Use the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor (midedit) to view other properties and functions that allow you to configure a device. The tool shows all the properties and functions that the NI-SCOPE software package supports.

```
configuration = ictObj.Configuration;
invoke(configuration, 'autosetup');
```

## Configure the vertical range for each channel

ConfigureVertical function configures the most commonly configured attributes of the digitizer vertical subsystem, such as the range, offset, coupling, probe attenuation and the channel. We will be fetching data from channels '0' and '1' and therefore configuring these channels. Refer to the NI-Scope documentation for further information.

```
Range = 10;
Offset = 0;
Coupling = 1;
ProbeAttenuation = 1;
% Configure Channel 0
invoke(ictObj.Configurationfunctionsvertical, 'configurevertical', '0', Range, Offset, Coupling,
% Configure Channel 1
invoke(ictObj.Configurationfunctionsvertical, 'configurevertical', '1', Range, Offset, Coupling,
```

#### Prepare the waveform information

Waveform information is a structure containing the timing information, number of samples, gain, and offset scaling factors for acquiring a waveform from the scope. Memory will be preallocated for the waveform information structure for each channel.

```
numChannels = 2;
channelList = '0,1';
numSamples = 1024;

for i = 1:numChannels
    waveformInfo(i).absoluteInitialX = 0;
    waveformInfo(i).relativeInitialX = 0;
    waveformInfo(i).xIncrement = 0;
    waveformInfo(i).actualSamples = 0;
    waveformInfo(i).offset = 0;
    waveformInfo(i).gain = 0;
    waveformInfo(i).reserved1 = 0;
    waveformInfo(i).reserved2 = 0;
end
```

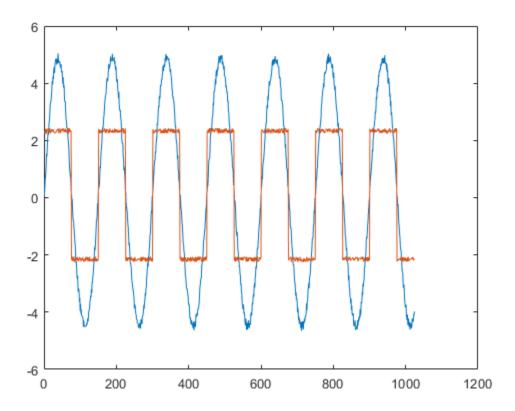
#### **Fetch waveform**

Once you configure the scope with the required settings, use an appropriate function call to acquire the waveform from channels 0 and 1. Preallocate waveformArray to store data from all requested channels. Prior to fetching data, a waveform acquisition has to be initiated. After fetching the data, extract the waveform corresponding to each channel.

```
waveformArray = zeros(numChannels * numSamples, 1);
TimeOut = 10; % seconds
invoke(ictObj.Acquisition, 'initiateacquisition');
[waveformArray, waveformInfo] = invoke(ictObj.Acquisition, 'fetch', channelList,...
    TimeOut, numSamples, waveformArray, waveformInfo);
waveformArray = reshape(waveformArray, numSamples, numChannels);
```

#### Plot the waveform

```
plot(waveformArray);
```



# Clean up

Delete the MATLAB Instrument Object.

```
disconnect(ict0bj);
delete(ict0bj);
clear ict0bj;
```

# Using NI-FGEN Instrument Driver to Generate a Sine Wave

This example shows how to generate a sine wave on a function generator using the NI-FGEN software.

Instrument Control Toolbox $^{\text{\tiny TM}}$  supports communication with instruments through interfaces and drivers.

For a complete list of supported hardware, visit the Instrument Control Toolbox product page.

## Requirements

In this example, you will learn to generate a sine wave using the NI-FGEN software package version 2.7.2 or higher and a NI PXI-5402 function generator. You can also use any other function generator supported by the NI-FGEN software package version 2.7.2 or higher.

#### **Verify NI-FGEN Installation**

Use the instrhwinfo command to check if the NI-FGEN software package is installed correctly.

```
driverInfo = instrhwinfo('ivi');
driverInfo.Modules'
ans =
 18×1 cell array
    {'AgRfSigGen'
    {'nidcpower'
    {'nidmm'
    {'niFaen'
    {'nisACPwr'
    {'niScope'
    {'nisCounter'
    {'nisDCPwr'
    {'nisDigitizer'
    {'nisDmm'
    {'nisDownconverter'}
    {'nisFGen'
    {'nisPwrMeter'
    {'nisRFSiaGen'
    {'nisScope'
```

#### **Create a MATLAB Instrument Object**

{'nisSpecAn'
{'nisSwtch'
{'nisUpconverter'

Use the icdevice function to create an instrument object from the MDD, and establish a connection to the function generator using that object.

icdevice function takes two or more input arguments. The MDD file name, the resource name for the function generator and optionally, setting specific parameters.

You can get the resource name for the function generator from NI Measurement and Automation tool. For example: A resource name of PXI1Slot6 in NI MAX would be DAQ::PXI1Slot6 and Device 2

would be DAQ::2. You can remove the optionstring argument and the corresponding string parameter if you have the actual hardware.

```
% Specify Resource ID
resourceID = 'DAQ::PXI1Slot6';
ictObj = icdevice('niFqen',resourceID,'optionstring','Simulate=true,DriverSetup=Model:5402');
% Connect driver instance
connect(ict0bj);
```

#### Attributes and Variables Definition

For the purpose of this example, the function generator is configured to generate a sine wave on Channel 0 with a frequency of 10E6, amplitude of 2, DC Offset of 0 and starting phase of 0.

```
% These values are defined in the driver's header file 'niFgen.h'
NIFGEN_VAL_OUTPUT FUNC = 0;
NIFGEN VAL WFM SINE = 1;
NIFGEN_ATTR_FUNC_FREQUENCY = 10E+6;
NIFGEN ATTR FUNC AMPLITUDE = 2.0;
NIFGEN ATTR FUNC DC OFFSET = 0;
NIFGEN_ATTR_FUNC_START_PHASE = 0.0;
% This value is described in the help file 'NI Signal Generators Help'
ChannelName = '0';
```

#### **Configure Output Mode and Waveform**

```
invoke(ict0bj.Configuration, 'configureoutputmode', NIFGEN VAL OUTPUT FUNC);
invoke(ictObj.Configurationfunctionsstandardfunctionoutput,'configurestandardwaveform',ChannelNa
```

#### **Initiate the Waveform Generation**

Once you configure the function generator with the required settings, use an appropriate function call to initiate the waveform.

```
invoke(ictObj.Waveformcontrol, 'initiategeneration');
```

#### **Enable the Output**

Once the waveform generation begins, enable the output of the function generator.

```
Enabled = 1:
invoke(ictObj.Configuration,'configureoutputenabled', ChannelName, Enabled);
```

### Clean Up

Delete the MATLAB Instrument Object.

Note: If you delete the MATLAB Instrument Object, it will stop the waveform generation.

```
disconnect(ict0bj);
delete(ict0bj);
clear ictObj;
```

# Read Waveform Data from Keysight DSO-X 1204A Oscilloscope Using IVI-C Driver

This example shows how to initialize the AgInfiniiVision IVI-C driver, read a few properties from the driver, acquire waveform data using Keysight® Technologies DSO-X 1204A oscilloscope, and output the result in MATLAB®.

#### Requirements

To run this example, you must have the following installed on your computer:

- Keysight IO libraries version 2021 or newer
- Keysight InfiniiVision 1000, 1200, 2000, 3000, 4000, 6000, C7300, M924x and P924x X-Series Oscilloscope IVI driver version 2.8.2.0

#### View Installed IVI-C Drivers and Connected Instruments

View a list of the IVI-C drivers and associated MATLAB drivers that are installed on your computer using ividriverlist.

# list = ividriverlist

list=17×4	table VendorDriver	MATLABDriver	IVIClass		
1	"Ag3352x"	"Ag3352x"	"IVIFgen"	{["33509B"	"33510
2	"AgInfiniiVision"	"AgInfiniiVision"	"IVIScope"	{["C7302"	"C73020
3	"AgRfSigGen"	"AgRfSigGen"	"IVIRfSigGen"	{["E4428C"	"E4438
4	"IviACPwr"	"IviACPwr"	"IVIACPwr"	{[""	
5	"IviCounter"	"IviCounter"	"IVICounter"	{[""	
6	"IviDCPwr"	"IviDCPwr"	"IVIDCPwr"	{[""]}	
7	"IviDigitizer"	"IviDigitizer"	"IVIDigitizer"	{[""]}	
8	"IviDmm"	"IviDmm"	"IVIDmm"	{[""]}	
9	"IviDownconverter"	"IviDownconverter"	"IVIDownconverter"	{[""	
10	"IviFgen"	"IviFgen"	"IVIFgen"	{[""	
11	"IviPwrMeter"	"IviPwrMeter"	"IVIPwrMeter"	{[""]}	
12	"IviRfSigGen"	"IviRfSigGen"	"IVIRfSigGen"	{[""]}	
13	"IviScope"	"IviScope"	"IVIScope"	{[""]}	
14	"IviSpecAn"	"IviSpecAn"	"IVISpecAn"	{[""]}	
15	"IviSwtch"	"IviSwtch"	"IVISwtch"	{[""	
16	"IviUpconverter"	"IviUpconverter"	"IVIUpconverter"	{[""]}	
:					

List the IVI-C instruments that are connected to your computer using ividevlist with a timeout value of 40 seconds. Specifying a value for the timeout is optional. You can try a larger timeout value if your instrument does not appear within the default timeout period of 30 seconds.

```
"USB0::0x2A8D::0x0386::CN59216227::0::INSTR"
                                                                    "AgInfiniiVision"
"AgInfiniiVision"
```

In this example, you use the AgInfiniiVision MATLAB driver.

#### Connect to Instrument

Connect to the DSO-X 1204A oscilloscope using ividev with the instrument's MATLAB driver name and resource name.

```
dev = ividev("AqInfiniiVision","USB0::0x2A8D::0x0386::CN59216227::0::INSTR")
dev =
 AgInfiniiVision with properties:
                    Model: "DS0X1204A"
            Manufacturer: "KEYSIGHT TECHNOLOGIES"
             SerialNumber: "CN59216227"
             ResourceName: "USB0::0x2A8D::0x0386::CN59216227::0::INSTR"
             VendorDriver: "AgInfiniiVision"
                 Simulate: 0
               ChannelIDs: ["Channel1", "Channel2", "Channel3", "Channel4"]
        DigitalChannelIDs: []
         MathFunctionIDs: ["Math1", "Math2"]
          MeasurementIDs: ["Channel1", "Channel2", "Channel3", "Channel4", "FUNC", ...]
             SerialBusIDs: []
              WaveGenIDs: "WaveGen1"
    InherentIVIAttributes: [1x1 InherentIVIAttributes]
             Acquisition: [1x1 Acquisition]
                  Channel: [1x4 Channel]
       InstrumentSpecific: [1x1 InstrumentSpecific]
                 Trigger: [1x1 Trigger]
     WaveformMeasurement: [1x1 WaveformMeasurement]
```

#### **Get General Instrument Properties**

Query information about the driver and its attributes. You can explore properties and sub-properties of the object by clicking on the property links from the object display output.

```
dev.InherentIVIAttributes
```

Show all functions

```
ans =
 InherentIVIAttributes with properties:
   AdvancedSessionInformation: [1x1 AdvancedSessionInformation]
            DriverCapabilities: [1x1 DriverCapabilities]
          DriverIdentification: [1x1 DriverIdentification]
      InstrumentIdentification: [1x1 InstrumentIdentification]
                   UserOptions: [1x1 UserOptions]
```

dev.InherentIVIAttributes.DriverIdentification

```
ans =
  DriverIdentification with properties:
    SpecificDriverClassSpecMajorVersion: 4
    SpecificDriverClassSpecMinorVersion: 1
              SpecificDriverDescription: "IVI driver for the Keysight 1000X, 1200X, 2000X, 3000X
                    SpecificDriverPrefix: "AgInfiniiVision"
                  SpecificDriverRevision: "2.8.2.0"
                    SpecificDriverVendor: "Keysight Technologies"
Read Waveform from Oscilloscope
Reset the instrument to a known state and automatically configure the measurement parameters.
reset(dev)
autoSetup(dev)
Get the actual record length, which is the number of points that the oscilloscope acquires.
recordLength = actualRecordLength(dev)
recordLength = 62500
Enable channel 1 on the oscilloscope.
dev.Channel("Channel1").ChannelEnabled = true;
Explore the properties of channel 1.
dev.Channel("Channel1")
ans =
  Channel with properties:
                 RepCapID: "Channel1"
           ChannelEnabled: 1
           InputImpedance: 1e+06 (0hms)
    MaximumInputFrequency: 7e+07 (Hz)
         ProbeAttenuation: 10
          ProbeSenseValue: 10
         VerticalCoupling: 1
           VerticalOffset: 12.6 (Volts)
            VerticalRange: 40 (Volts)
Set the channel probe attenuation to 1.
dev.Channel("Channel1").ProbeAttenuation = 1;
Specify the sweep time duration in milliseconds.
maxTimeMilliseconds = 1e3;
```

[waveformArray,actualPoints] = readWaveform(dev, "Channel1", recordLength, maxTimeMilliseconds);

Read a waveform from the oscilloscope.

# **Visualize Data and Display Any Errors**

Get the number elements in the waveform array and verify that they match the actual number of points returned by the readWaveform function.

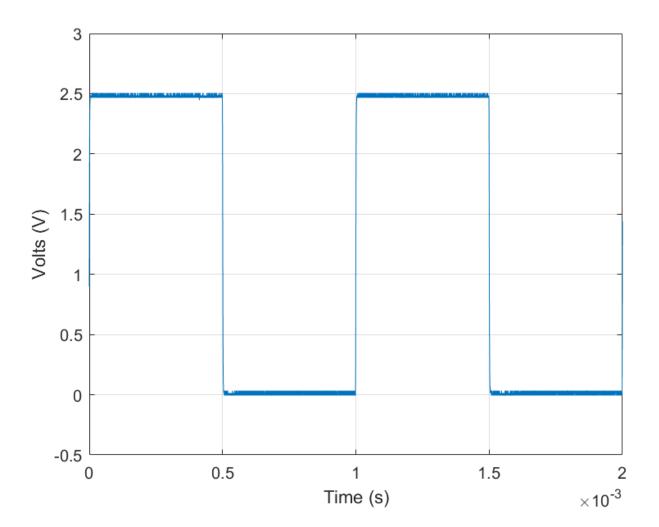
```
n = numel(waveformArray);
```

Calculate the time in between samples and create a time vector.

```
dt = dev.Acquisition.HorizontalTimePerRecord/dev.Acquisition.HorizontalRecordLength;
t = (0:n-1) * dt;
```

Display the waveform.

```
plot(t,waveformArray);
grid on;
xlabel('Time (s)');
ylabel('Volts (V)');
```



If there are any errors, query the driver to retrieve and display them.

```
errorNum = 1;
while (errorNum ~= 0)
    [errorNum,errorMsg] = error_query(dev);
    fprintf('ErrorQuery: %d, %s\n',errorNum,errorMsg);
end

ErrorQuery: 0, No error
```

# Clean Up

Disconnect and clear the ividev object from the workspace.

clear dev

# Read Waveforms from a Keysight M9210A Digitizer using the **IVI-C Driver**

This example shows how to acquire a waveform from both channels of a Keysight™ Technologies M9210A digitizer using an IVI-C driver, and display it in MATLAB®. Instrument Control Toolbox™ software supports communication with instruments through IVI drivers. For a complete list of hardware supported, visit the Instrument Control Toolbox™ supported hardware page.

#### Introduction

This example has been tested on Microsoft® Windows® 7 and Windows XP Systems. Agilent IO Suite and MD1 IVI driver version 1.2.2.0 need to be installed.

Ensure that the instrument has been configured in the VISA utility (such as Agilent Connection Expert) before you execute this example.

### Verify the Driver is Installed

If the AqMD1 driver is installed, it will show up in the list of installedDrivers

```
IviInfo = instrhwinfo('ivi');
installedDrivers = IviInfo.Modules
installedDrivers =
  Columns 1 through 6
                                                          'Ag532xx'
    'Aq33220'
                  'Ag3352x'
                               'Aq34410'
                                             'Ag34970'
                                                                        'AgAC6800'
  Columns 7 through 11
    'AqE36xx'
                  'AaInfiniiVision'
                                       'AaMD1'
                                                   'AaRfSiaGen'
                                                                    'AaXSAn'
  Columns 12 through 13
    'KtRFPowerMeter'
                         'rsspecan'
```

#### Import the IVI-C Driver into MATLAB

To use the installed IVI-C driver from MATLAB, a MATLAB driver needs to be created. The MATLAB driver needs to be created only once, and should exist on the MATLAB path

```
% Create the MATLAB driver
makemid('AgMD1', 'AgMD1.mdd', 'ivi-c');
```

#### Initialize the Driver Object and Connect to the Digitizer

Using the MATLAB driver, a device object must be created first. Using the device object, a connection is established to the digitizer from MATLAB. In this example the driver is used in simulate mode. Set Simulate=false in the initOptions variable below to run this example with an actual instrument

```
initOptions = 'Simulate=true, DriverSetup= Cal=0, Trace=false, model=M9210A';
visaAddress = 'PXI17::10::0::INSTR';
myDigitizer = icdevice('AgMD1.mdd', visaAddress, 'optionstring', initOptions);
```

% Connect to the digitizer using the device object created above connect(myDigitizer);

#### Set Up the Digitizer to Acquire Waveforms on Channel 1 and Channel 2

After the connection is established, properties such as input impedance, number of points per record, and sampling rate need to be set, prior to acquiring the waveforms on the digitizer. The values of the enumerated datatypes used can be found in the MD1 driver documentation

```
% Abort present acquisition if any
invoke(myDigitizer.Waveformacquisitionlowlevelacquisition, 'abort');
% Set the input impedance values of the individual channels
myDigitizer.RepCapIdentifier = 'Channel1';
myDigitizer.Channel.Input Impedance = 50; % (0hms)
myDigitizer.RepCapIdentifier = 'Channel2';
myDigitizer.Channel.Input Impedance = 50; % (0hms)
% Set the acquisition parameters
numberOfRecords = 1;
ptsPerRecord = 1e4;
samplingRate = 2e9;
invoke(myDigitizer.Configurationacquisition, 'configureacquisition',...
       numberOfRecords, ptsPerRecord, samplingRate);
% Set the individual channel parameters
Range = 0.2;
Offset = 0.0;
Coupling = 1;
Enabled = true;
invoke(myDigitizer.Configurationchannel, 'configurechannel', 'Channell',...
       Range, Offset, Coupling, Enabled);
invoke(myDigitizer.Configurationchannel, 'configurechannel', 'Channel2',...
       Range, Offset, Coupling, Enabled);
% Set the trigger source, and trigger type
myDigitizer.RepCapIdentifier = 'Channel1';
myDigitizer.Trigger.Active Trigger Source = 'External1';
% The hex value can be found in the MD1 driver documentation
AGMD1 VAL IMMEDIATE TRIGGER = hex2dec('000003E9');
myDigitizer.Trigger.Trigger Type = AGMD1 VAL IMMEDIATE TRIGGER;
% Determine the minimum amount of memory needed to fetch or read data from
% the digitizer for maximum performance
dataWidth = 64;
numRecords = 1;
offsetWithinRecord = 0;
numPointsPerRecord = ptsPerRecord;
arrayElements = invoke(myDigitizer.Waveformacquisitionlowlevelacquisition,...
                       'queryminwaveformmemory', dataWidth, numRecords,...
                       offsetWithinRecord, numPointsPerRecord);
WaveformArray = zeros(arrayElements, 1);
```

## **Acquire Data**

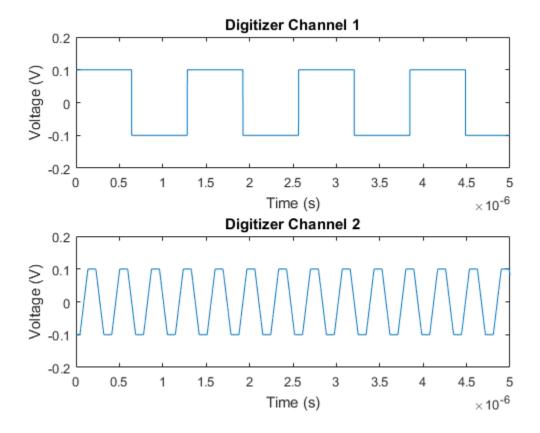
To acquire data from channel 1 the READWAVEFORMREAL64 method is used. The READWAVEFORMREAL64 method initiates acquisition of a signal on both channel 1 and channel 2, but returns the waveform for channel 1 only. Following this, to read the already acquired waveform from channel 2, the FETCHWAVEFORMREAL64 method is used

```
maxTimeMilliseconds = 50;
% Initiate an acquisition on all enabled channels, wait (up to
% |maxTimeMilliseconds|) for the acquisition to complete, and return the
% waveform for this channel
[sig1, ActualPoints, FirstValidPoint, ~, ~, ~, XIncrement] = ...
invoke(myDigitizer.Waveformacquisition, 'readwaveformreal64', ...
    'Channel1', maxTimeMilliseconds, arrayElements, WaveformArray);
sig1 = sig1(FirstValidPoint+1:FirstValidPoint+ActualPoints);
% |FETCHWAVEFORMREAL64| returns a previously acquired waveform for the selected
% channel. An acquisition must be made prior to calling this method. For
% this case the previous call to |READWAVEFORMREAL64| has performed the waveform
% acquisition already. Call this method separately for each channel
[sig2, ActualPoints, FirstValidPoint, ~, ~, ~, ~] = ...
    invoke(myDigitizer.Waveformacquisitionlowlevelacquisition, ...
    'fetchwaveformreal64', 'Channel2', arrayElements, WaveformArray);
sig2 = sig2(FirstValidPoint+1:FirstValidPoint+ActualPoints);
```

#### Plot the acquired signals

The SUBPLOT feature of MATLAB is used to plot the waveforms read from channel 1 and channel 2 of the digitizer

```
% Create the time vector using the XIncrement value returned by the
% | READWAVEFORMREAL64| method
t = 0:XIncrement:(length(sig1)-1)*XIncrement;
figure;
% Plot the channel 1 waveform
subplot(2, 1, 1);
plot(t, sig1);
xlabel('Time (s)');
ylabel('Voltage (V)');
ylim([-.2 0.2]);
title('Digitizer Channel 1');
% Plot the channel 2 waveform
subplot(2, 1, 2);
plot(t, sig2);
xlabel('Time (s)');
ylabel('Voltage (V)');
ylim([-.2 0.2]);
title('Digitizer Channel 2');
```



## Clean Up - Delete the MD1 Device Object

After configuring the digitizer, and fetching/reading data from it, the device object needs to be closed and removed from the workspace

```
disconnect(myDigitizer);
delete(myDigitizer);
clear myDigitizer;
```

#### **Additional Information:**

This example shows the setup and acquisition of data from a Digitizer using the IVI driver. Once the measured waveform is retrieved from the instrument, MATLAB can be used to visualize and perform analyses on the data using the rich library of functions in the Signal Processing Toolbox $^{\text{TM}}$  and Communications Systems Toolbox $^{\text{TM}}$ . Using Instrument Control Toolbox $^{\text{TM}}$ , it is possible to automate control of instruments, and, build test systems that use MATLAB to perform analyses that may not be possible using the built-in capability of the hardware.

# Set Output Voltage and Make Measurements on Keysight AC6801A Power Supply Using the IVI-C Driver

This example shows the use of MATLAB® with an IVI driver to connect to, configure and measure AC voltage using Keysight<sup>™</sup> Technologies AC6801A power supply and output the result in MATLAB.

#### Requirements

This example requires the following to be installed on the computer:

- Keysight IO libraries version 17.1 or newer
- Keysight AC6800 AC Power Supplies IVI version 1.0.3.0 or newer

#### **Enumerate available IVI-C drivers on the computer**

This enumerates the IVI drivers that have been installed on the computer.

```
IviInfo = instrhwinfo('ivi');
IviInfo.Modules
ans =
 Columns 1 through 6
                 'Ag3352x'
                              'Aq34410'
                                             'Ag34970'
    'Ag33220'
                                                          'Aq532xx'
                                                                        'AgAC6800'
 Columns 7 through 11
    'AgE36xx'
                 'AqInfiniiVision'
                                       'AgMD1'
                                                   'AgRfSigGen'
                                                                    'AgXSAn'
 Columns 12 through 13
    'KtRFPowerMeter'
                         'rsspecan'
```

#### Create MATLAB Instrument Driver and Connect to the Instrument

```
% Create the MATLAB instrument driver
makemid('AgAC6800','AgAC6800.mdd')
% Use icdevice with the MATLAB instrument driver name and instrument's
% resource name to create a device object. In this example the instrument
\% is connected by GPIB at board index 0 and primary address 1.
myInstrument = icdevice('AgAC6800.mdd', 'GPIB0::01::INSTR','optionstring','simulate=true');
% Connect driver instance
connect(myInstrument);
```

### **Attributes Definition and Variables Definition**

```
% Attributes Definition. These values are defined in the driver's header file, 'AgAC6800.h'
IVI ATTR BASE= 1000000;
IVI_SPECIFIC_ATTR_BASE = IVI_ATTR_BASE + 150000;
AGAC6800_ATTR_OUTPUT_PHASE_VOLTAGE_SOFT_LIMIT_ENABLED = IVI_SPECIFIC_ATTR_BASE + 15;
AGAC6800_VAL_MODE_AC_DC = 2;
AGAC6800 ATTR_PROTECTION_CURRENT_PROTECTION_ENABLED = IVI_SPECIFIC_ATTR_BASE + 37;
```

```
AGAC6800 VAL MEASUREMENT TYPE VOLTAGERMS = 0;
AGAC6800_VAL_MEASUREMENT_TYPE CURRENTRMS = 1;
AGAC6800_VAL_MEASUREMENT_TYPE_VOLTAGEDC = 3;
AGAC6800 VAL MEASUREMENT TYPE CURRENTDC = 4;
AGAC6800_VAL_MEASUREMENT_TYPE_CURRENTDC = 4;
AGAC6800_VAL_MEASUREMENT_TYPE_POWER_FACTOR = 5;
AGAC6800_VAL_MEASUREMENT_TYPE_CREST_FACTOR = 6;
AGAC6800_VAL_MEASUREMENT_TYPE_CURRENT_PEAK = 7;
AGAC6800_VAL_MEASUREMENT_TYPE_POWERVA = 8;
AGAC6800_VAL_MEASUREMENT_TYPE_POWERDC = 9;
AGAC6800_VAL_MEASUREMENT_TYPE_POWER_REACTIVE = 12;
AGAC6800_VAL_MEASUREMENT_TYPE_VOLTAGEACDC = 13;
AGAC6800_VAL_MEASUREMENT_TYPE_CURRENTACDC = 14;
AGAC6800_VAL_MEASUREMENT_TYPE_POWER_REAL = 19;
AGAC6800_VAL_MEASUREMENT_TYPE_POWER_REAL = 15:
AGAC6800_VAL_MEASUREMENT_TYPE_POWER_REALACDC = 15;
AGAC6800_VAL_MEASUREMENT_TYPE_POWERVAACDC = 16;
AGAC6800_VAL_MEASUREMENT_TYPE_POWER_REACTIVEACDC = 17;
AGAC6800 VAL MEASUREMENT TYPE POWER FACTORACDC = 18;
% Variables Definition. These values are being passed to the driver.
AcVolts = 120;
AcAmps = 4;
Freq = 50;
LoVolt = 0.9 * AcVolts;
HiVolt = 1.1 * AcVolts;
DcVolts = 5;
DcAmps = 1;
```

#### **Get General Device Properties**

Query information about the driver and instrument

```
AttributeAccessors = qet(myInstrument, 'Attributeaccessors');
 DriverIdentification = get(myInstrument,'Inherentiviattributesdriveridentification');
 DCGeneration = get(myInstrument, 'Dcgeneration');
 InstrumentIdentification = get(myInstrument,'Inherentiviattributesinstrumentidentification');
InstrumentModel = get(InstrumentIdentification, 'Instrument_Model');
 InstrumentSpecificMeasurement = get(myInstrument, 'Instrumentspecificmeasurement');
 InstrumentSpecificOutputPhaseCurrent = get(myInstrument,'Instrumentspecificoutputphasecurrent');
 InstrumentSpecificOutputPhaseFrequency = get(myInstrument, 'Instrumentspecificoutputphasefrequency
 InstrumentSpecificOutputPhaseVoltage = get(myInstrument,'Instrumentspecificoutputphasevoltage');
 InstrumentSpecificOutputPhaseVoltageSoftLimit = get(myInstrument, 'InstrumentspecificoutputphasevoltageSoftLimit = get(myInstrument, 'Instrument, 'Instrument,
 InstrumentSpecificSystem = get(myInstrument, 'Instrumentspecificsystem');
 Output = get(mvInstrument, 'Output'):
Outputs = get(myInstrument, 'Outputs');
 Utility = get(myInstrument, 'Utility');
 Revision = invoke(Utility, 'revisionquery');
 Vendor = get(DriverIdentification, 'Specific_Driver_Vendor');
 Description = get(DriverIdentification, 'Specific Driver Description');
 FirmwareRev = get(InstrumentIdentification, 'Instrument_Firmware_Revision');
 % Print the queried driver properties
fprintf('Revision: %s\n', Revision);
fprintf('Vendor: %s\n', Vendor);
fprintf('Description: %s\n', Description);
fprintf('InstrumentModel: %s\n', InstrumentModel);
fprintf('FirmwareRev: %s\n', FirmwareRev);
 fprintf(' \n');
```

```
1.0.3.0
Revision:
```

Vendor: Agilent Technologies

Description: IVI Driver for AC68xx family of Power Supplies [Compiled for 64-bit.]

InstrumentModel: AC6801A FirmwareRev: Sim1.0.3.0

#### Enable Auto-Ranging and Configure Output AC Voltage, Current and Frequency

```
st Enable the voltage auto range so that the maximum current will be
% supplied for the voltage setting
set(InstrumentSpecificOutputPhaseVoltage, 'Auto Range', true);
% Set voltage level to 120 V
set(Output, 'Voltage Level', AcVolts);
% Set output phase current limit to 4 A
invoke(Output, 'configurecurrentlimit', 'OutputPhase1', AcAmps);
% Set output phase frequency level to 50 Hz
invoke(Outputs, 'configurefrequency', 50);
```

#### **Configure Phase Voltage Soft Limit**

The AC sources also allow you to set some protection features. The first one is soft limits. For this example, the limits will be +/- 10%.

```
% Set output phase voltage soft limit lower limit to 108 V
set(InstrumentSpecificOutputPhaseVoltageSoftLimit, 'Lower Limit', LoVolt);
% Set output phase voltage soft limit upper limit to 132 V
set(InstrumentSpecificOutputPhaseVoltageSoftLimit, 'Upper Limit', HiVolt);
% Enable the output phase voltage soft limit
invoke(AttributeAccessors, 'setattributeviboolean', 'OutputPhase1', AGAC6800 ATTR OUTPUT PHASE V
```

#### **Configure Output DC Voltage And Current**

```
\% Set output voltage generation mode to AC Plus DC. Set the DC voltage level to 5 V
invoke(DCGeneration, 'configuredc', 'OutputPhasel', AGAC6800_VAL_MODE_AC_DC, DcVolts);
% Set the output phase current DC limit to 1 A
set(InstrumentSpecificOutputPhaseCurrent, 'Dc_Limit', DcAmps);
```

#### **Enable Current Protection Feature and Turn the Output On**

There is also current protection to enable. The instrument will go into protect when it hits current limit

```
% Enable the current protection
invoke(AttributeAccessors, 'setattributeviboolean', '', AGAC6800_ATTR_PROTECTION_CURRENT_PROTECT
% Enable output
set(Output, 'Enabled', 1);
% Wait for operation to complete.
invoke(InstrumentSpecificSystem, 'systemwaitforoperationcomplete', 1000); % Wait for 1000ms maxis
```

#### **Make Voltage Measurements**

```
The AC Source can take a bunch of measurements. Once you do one, you can fetch the rest from the
same acquisition
```

```
fprintf('Voltage Measurements\n');
VoltAC = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementmeasure', 'Measurement1', AGAC6800 VA
fprintf('Measured AC Voltage %0.15g V\n', VoltAC);
VoltDC = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementfetch', 'Measurement1', AGAC6800 VAL |
fprintf('Fetched DC Voltage = %0.15g V\n', VoltDC);
VoltACDC = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementfetch', 'Measurement1', AGAC6800_VA
fprintf('Fetched AC+DC Voltage = %0.15g V rms\n', VoltACDC);
Voltage Measurements
Measured AC Voltage 0 V
Fetched DC Voltage = 0 V
Fetched AC+DC Voltage = 0 V rms
Make Current Measurements
fprintf('\nCurrent Measurements\n');
CurrAC = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementfetch', 'Measurement1', AGAC6800_VAL_I
fprintf('Fetched AC Current = %0.15g A rms\n', CurrAC);
CurrDC = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementfetch', 'Measurement1', AGAC6800_VAL_I
fprintf('Fetched DC Current = %0.15g A\n', CurrDC);
CurrACDC = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementfetch', 'Measurement1', AGAC6800_VA
fprintf('Fetched AC+DC Current = %0.15g A rms\n', CurrACDC);
PeakCurr = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementfetch', 'Measurement1', AGAC6800 VA
fprintf('Fetched Peak Current = %0.15g A\n', PeakCurr);
CresFact = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementfetch', 'Measurement1', AGAC6800 VA
fprintf('Fetched Crest Factor = %0.15g\n', CresFact);
Current Measurements
Fetched AC Current = 0 A rms
Fetched DC Current = 0 A
Fetched AC+DC Current = 0 A rms
Fetched Peak Current = 0 A
Fetched Crest Factor = 0
Make Power Measurements
fprintf('\nPower Measurements\n');
RealPow = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementfetch', 'Measurement1', AGAC6800 VAL
fprintf('Fetched AC Real Power = %0.15g W\n', RealPow);
```

ApparPow = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementfetch', 'Measurement1', AGAC6800\_VA

ReactPow = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementfetch', 'Measurement1', AGAC6800\_VA

fprintf('Fetched AC Apparent Power = %0.15g VA\n', ApparPow);

```
fprintf('Fetched AC Reactive Power = %0.15g VAR\n', ReactPow);
DCPow = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementfetch', 'Measurement1', AGAC6800_VAL_M
fprintf('Fetched DC Power = %0.15g W\n', DCPow);
PowFact = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementfetch', 'Measurement1', AGAC6800_VAL
fprintf('Fetched Power Factor = %0.15g\n', PowFact);
RealPowACDC = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementfetch', 'Measurement1', AGAC6800
fprintf('Fetched AC+DC Real Power = %0.15g W\n', RealPowACDC);
ApparPowACDC = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementfetch', 'Measurementl', AGAC680
fprintf('Fetched AC+DC Apparent Power = %0.15g VA\n', ApparPowACDC);
ReactPowACDC = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementfetch', 'Measurement1', AGAC680
fprintf('Fetched AC+DC Reactive Power = %0.15g VAR\n', ReactPowACDC);
PowFactACDC = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementfetch', 'Measurement1', AGAC6800
fprintf('Fetched AC+DC Power Factor = %0.15g\n', PowFactACDC);
fprintf('\n');
Power Measurements
Fetched AC Real Power = 0 W
Fetched AC Apparent Power = 0 VA
Fetched AC Reactive Power = 0 VAR
Fetched DC Power = 0 W
Fetched Power Factor = 0
Fetched AC+DC Real Power = 0 W
Fetched AC+DC Apparent Power = 0 VA
Fetched AC+DC Reactive Power = 0 VAR
Fetched AC+DC Power Factor = 0
Query and Display any Errors
% If there are any errors, query the driver to retrieve and display them.
```

```
ErrorNum = 1;
while (ErrorNum ~= 0)
    [ErrorNum, ErrorMsq] = invoke(Utility, 'errorquery');
    fprintf('ErrorQuery: %d, %s\n', ErrorNum, ErrorMsq);
end
ErrorQuery: 0, No error.
```

#### **Disconnect Device Object And Clean Up**

```
disconnect(myInstrument);
% Remove instrument objects from memory.
delete(myInstrument);
```

#### Additional Information:

This example shows setting output voltage and make power measurements from a power supply using the IVI driver. Once the measured power data is retrieved from the instrument, MATLAB can be used to visualize and perform analyses on the data using the rich library of functions in the Signal  $Processing \ Toolbox^{\tiny{TM}} \ and \ Communications \ Systems \ Toolbox^{\tiny{TM}}. \ Using \ Instrument \ Control \ Toolbox^{\tiny{TM}}, \ it$  is possible to automate control of instruments, and, build test systems that use MATLAB to perform analyses that may not be possible using the built-in capability of the hardware.

## Measure Frequency on Keysight 532xx Frequency Counter **Using the IVI-C Driver**

This example shows how to initialize the driver, read a few properties of the driver and measure frequency using Keysight™ Technologies 532xx Frequency Counter and output the result in MATLAB®.

#### Requirements

This example requires the following:

- Keysight IO libraries version 17.1 or newer
- Keysight 532xx Frequency Counter IVI driver version 1.0.11.0 or newer

#### **Enumerate Available IVI-C Drivers On The Computer**

This enumerates the IVI drivers that have been installed on the computer.

```
IviInfo = instrhwinfo('ivi');
IviInfo.Modules
ans =
  Columns 1 through 6
    'Ag33220'
                  'Ag3352x'
                               'Ag34410'
                                             'Ag34970'
                                                           'Aq532xx'
                                                                        'AgAC6800'
  Columns 7 through 11
    'AgE36xx'
                 'AqInfiniiVision'
                                        'AgMD1'
                                                   'AgRfSigGen'
                                                                    'AgXSAn'
  Columns 12 through 13
    'KtRFPowerMeter'
                         'rsspecan'
```

#### Create MATLAB Instrument Driver And Connect To The Instrument

```
% Create the MATLAB instrument driver
makemid('Ag532xx','Ag532xx.mdd')
% Use icdevice with the MATLAB instrument driver name and instrument's
% resource name to create a device object. In this example the instrument
% is connected by GPIB at board index 0 and primary address 1.
myInstrument = icdevice('Ag532xx.mdd', 'GPIB0::01::INSTR','optionstring','simulate=true');
% Connect driver instance
connect(myInstrument);
Attributes and Variables Definition
```

```
% These values are defined in the driver's header file 'Ag532xx.h'
AG532XX_VAL_SLOPE_POSITIVE = 1;
AG532XX_VAL_TRIGGER_SOURCE_IMMEDIATE = 0;
AG532XX_VAL_ARM_MEASUREMENT_TYPE_FREQUENCY = 0;
AG532XX_VAL_ARM_SOURCE_ADVANCED = 3;
```

```
AG532XX_VAL_IMMEDIATE_ARM_TYPE = 1;
AG532XX VAL DELAY HOLD OFF SOURCE TIME = 1;
```

#### **Get General Device Properties**

Query information about the driver and instrument

```
InherentIviAttributesDriverIdentification = get(myInstrument,'Inherentiviattributesdriveridentif.
InherentIviAttributesInstrumentIdentification = get(myInstrument, 'Inherentiviattributesinstrumen
Utility = get(myInstrument, 'Utility');
Revision = invoke(Utility, 'revisionquery');
Vendor = get(InherentIviAttributesDriverIdentification, 'Specific Driver Vendor');
Description = get(InherentIviAttributesDriverIdentification, 'Specific Driver Description');
InstrumentModel = get(InherentIviAttributesInstrumentIdentification, 'Instrument Model');
FirmwareRev = get(InherentIviAttributesInstrumentIdentification, 'Instrument Firmware Revision')
% Print the queried driver properties
fprintf('Revision: %s\n', Revision);
fprintf('Vendor: %s\n', Vendor);
fprintf('Description: %s\n', Description);
fprintf('InstrumentModel: %s\n', InstrumentModel);
fprintf('FirmwareRev: %s\n', FirmwareRev);
fprintf(' \n');
Revision:
                  1.0.11.0
                  Agilent Technologies
Vendor:
Description:
                  IVI Driver for Agilent 532xx family of Counters. [Compiled for 64-bit.]
InstrumentModel: 53230A
FirmwareRev:
                  Sim1.0.11.0
```

#### **Basic Frequency Measurement**

```
fprintf('\nBasic Frequency Measurement \n');
% Configure the counter for a frequency measurement on the specified
InstrumentSpecificFrequency = get(myInstrument,'Instrumentspecificfrequency');
invoke(InstrumentSpecificFrequency, 'frequencyconfigure', 1E6,1E-4,1);
% Sets the number of triggers that will be accepted by the instrument
% before returning to the "idle" trigger state
InstrumentSpecificTrigger = get(myInstrument,'Instrumentspecifictrigger');
set(InstrumentSpecificTrigger, 'Trigger_Count', 1);
% Sets trigger source for measurements.
% IMMediate (continuous) source immediately issues the trigger
\verb|set(InstrumentSpecificTrigger, 'Trigger\_Source', AG532XX\_VAL\_TRIGGER\_SOURCE\_IMMEDIATE);|
% Sets slope of the trigger signal on the rear-panel Trig In BNC
set(InstrumentSpecificTrigger, 'Trigger_Slope', AG532XX_VAL_SLOPE_POSITIVE);
% Initiates a measurement based on the current configuration.
MeasurementLowLevelMeasurement = get(myInstrument,'Measurementlowlevelmeasurement');
invoke(MeasurementLowLevelMeasurement, 'initiate');
% Does not return until previously started operations complete or more
% MaxTimeMilliseconds milliseconds of time have expired.
InstrumentSpecificSystem = get(myInstrument,'Instrumentspecificsystem');
invoke(InstrumentSpecificSystem, 'systemwaitforoperationcomplete', 10000);
% Retrieves the result from a previously initiated measurement.
RetVal = invoke(MeasurementLowLevelMeasurement, 'fetch');
fprintf('Data: %0.15g\n', RetVal);
```

```
Basic Frequency Measurement
Data: 0
```

#### **Measure Frequency With Averaging Function**

Gets the mathematical average (mean) of all measurements taken since the last time statistics were cleared. The purpose of using averaging function is to increase the reliability and signal-to-noise ratio of the measurements.

```
fprintf('\nAveraging \n');
% Configures the counter for a frequency measurement on the specified
% channel
invoke(InstrumentSpecificFrequency, 'frequencyconfigure', 1E6,1E-4,1);
% Sets the number of triggers that will be accepted by the instrument
% before returning to the "idle" trigger state
set(InstrumentSpecificTrigger, 'Trigger Count', 1);
% Sets trigger source for measurements.
% Immediate (continuous) source immediately issues the trigger
set(InstrumentSpecificTrigger, 'Trigger Source', AG532XX VAL TRIGGER SOURCE IMMEDIATE);
% Sets the number of measurements samples the instrument will take per trigger
set(InstrumentSpecificTrigger, 'Trigger Sample Count', 3);
% Sets slope of the trigger signal on the rear-panel Trig In BNC
set(InstrumentSpecificTrigger, 'Trigger Slope', AG532XX VAL SLOPE POSITIVE);
% Enables all calculate commands
InstrumentSpecificMath = get(myInstrument, 'Instrumentspecificmath');
set(InstrumentSpecificMath, 'Math Enabled', true);
% Enables statistics computation
InstrumentSpecificMathStatistics = get(myInstrument,'Instrumentspecificmathstatistics');
set(InstrumentSpecificMathStatistics, 'Statistics_Enabled', true);
% Initiates a measurement based on the current configuration.
invoke(MeasurementLowLevelMeasurement, 'initiate');
% Does not return until previously started operations complete or more
% MaxTimeMilliseconds milliseconds of time have expired.
invoke(InstrumentSpecificSystem, 'systemwaitforoperationcomplete', 10000);
% Gets the mathematical average (mean) of all measurements taken since
% the last time statistics were cleared
Average = get(InstrumentSpecificMathStatistics, 'Statistics Average');
fprintf('Average : %0.15g \n', Average);
Averaging
Average: 1000000
```

#### **Measure Time Stamp**

Time stamp measurements record frequency signal edges as they occur on the counter input channels

```
fprintf('\nTime Stamp Measurement \n');
% Set all measurement parameters and trigger parameters to default
% values selectively for timestamp measurements, then immediately
% trigger a measurement.
InstrumentSpecificTimeStamp = get(myInstrument,'Instrumentspecifictimestamp');
% [VAL, VALACTUALSIZE] = INVOKE(OBJ, 'timestampmeasure', COUNT, CHANNEL, VALBUFFERSIZE, VAL)
[Val, ValActualSize] = invoke(InstrumentSpecificTimeStamp, 'timestampmeasure', 10,1,10,zeros(10)
fprintf('%d Data Points: \n', ValActualSize);
for i= 1:ValActualSize
```

```
fprintf('%0.15g\t\n', Val(i));
end

Time Stamp Measurement
10 Data Points:
0
1e-06
2e-06
3e-06
4e-06
5e-06
6e-06
7e-06
8e-06
9e-06
```

#### **Measure Time Interval Between Two Channels**

The measurement starts on a positive (rising) edge on channel 1, and stops on a positive edge on channel 2.

```
fprintf('\nTime Intervals Measurement with delay \n');
% Configures instrument for a time interval measurement on the specified
% channels
InstrumentSpecificTimeInterval = get(myInstrument,'Instrumentspecifictimeinterval');
invoke(InstrumentSpecificTimeInterval, 'timeintervalconfigure', 1,2);
% Set the gate source for frequency measurement
InstrumentSpecificArm = get(myInstrument, 'Instrumentspecificarm');
invoke(InstrumentSpecificArm, 'armsetsource', AG532XX_VAL_ARM_MEASUREMENT TYPE FREQUENCY, AG532XX
% Configures the Start Arm for armed measurements.
Configuration = get(myInstrument, 'Configuration');
invoke(Configuration, 'configurestartarm', AG532XX_VAL_IMMEDIATE_ARM_TYPE);
% Set the source used to delay the arm start
InstrumentSpecificArmStartExternal = get(myInstrument,'Instrumentspecificarmstartexternal');
set(InstrumentSpecificArmStartExternal, 'Start_External_Delay_Source', AG532XX_VAL_DELAY_HOLD_OFF
% Set the delay, in seconds, used after an external armed measurement
% has been armed.
Arming = get(myInstrument, 'Arming');
set(Arming, 'External Start Arm Delay', 0.1);
% Configure the Stop Arm for armed measurements.
invoke(Configuration, 'configurestoparm', AG532XX VAL IMMEDIATE ARM TYPE);
% Set the source used to hold off enabling the stop Arm source
InstrumentSpecificArmStopExternal = get(myInstrument,'Instrumentspecificarmstopexternal');
set(InstrumentSpecificArmStopExternal, 'Stop_External_Hold_Off_Source', AG532XX_VAL_DELAY_HOLD_O
% Specify the delay, in seconds, after the External Arm Stop event
% has occurred until the measurement stops.
set(Arming, 'External_Stop_Arm_Delay', 0.25);
% Sets the number of triggers that will be accepted by the instrument
% before returning to the "idle" trigger state
set(InstrumentSpecificTrigger, 'Trigger_Count', 1);
% Sets the number of measurements samples the instrument will take per trigger
set(InstrumentSpecificTrigger, 'Trigger_Sample_Count', 3);
% Initiates a measurement based on the current configuration.
invoke(MeasurementLowLevelMeasurement, 'initiate');
% Wait until initialization operation complete or 50000 milliseconds
% of time have expired
invoke(InstrumentSpecificSystem, 'systemwaitforoperationcomplete', 50000);
```

```
% Retrieves the result from a previously initiated measurement.
RetVal = invoke(MeasurementLowLevelMeasurement, 'fetch');
fprintf('Data: %0.15g\n', RetVal);
fprintf('\n');
Time Intervals Measurement with delay
Data: 0
```

#### **Display Any Errors From The Driver**

```
% If there are any errors, query the driver to retrieve and display them.
ErrorNum = 1:
while (ErrorNum ~= 0)
    [ErrorNum, ErrorMsg] = invoke(Utility, 'errorquery');
    fprintf('ErrorQuery: %d, %s\n', ErrorNum, ErrorMsg);
end
ErrorQuery: 0, No error.
```

#### Disconnect Device Object and Clean Up

```
disconnect(mvInstrument):
% Remove instrument objects from memory.
delete(myInstrument);
```

#### Additional Information:

This example shows the setup and acquisition of frequency from a Counter using the IVI driver. Once the measured frequency is retrieved from the instrument, MATLAB can be used to visualize and perform analyses on the data using the rich library of functions in the Signal Processing Toolbox™ and Communications Systems  $\mathsf{Toolbox}^{\scriptscriptstyle\mathsf{TM}}$ . Using  $\mathsf{Instrument}$   $\mathsf{Control}$   $\mathsf{Toolbox}^{\scriptscriptstyle\mathsf{TM}}$ , it is possible to automate control of instruments, and, build test systems that use MATLAB to perform analyses that may not be possible using the built-in capability of the hardware.

# Measure AC Voltage on a Keysight 34410A Digital Multimeter Using the IVI-C Driver

This example shows how to initialize the driver, read a few properties of the driver, measure AC voltage using Agilent® Technologies 34410A digital multimeter and output the result in MATLAB®.

#### Requirements

This example requires the following:

- Keysight<sup>™</sup> IO libraries version 17.1
- Keysight 34410A Digital Multimeter IVI driver version 1.1.0.0

#### **Enumerate Available IVI-C Drivers on the Computer**

This enumerates the IVI drivers that have been installed on the computer

```
IviInfo = instrhwinfo('ivi');
IviInfo.Modules
ans =
 Columns 1 through 6
    'Aq33220'
                 'Ag3352x'
                              'Aq34410'
                                            'Ag34970'
                                                          'Ag532xx'
                                                                       'AgAC6800'
  Columns 7 through 11
    'AgE36xx'
                 'AaInfiniiVision'
                                       'AaMD1'
                                                  'AaRfSiaGen'
                                                                   'AaXSAn'
 Columns 12 through 13
    'KtRFPowerMeter'
                        'rsspecan'
```

#### Create a MATLAB Instrument Driver and Connect to the Instrument

```
% Create the MATLAB instrument driver
makemid('Ag34410','Ag34410.mdd')
% Use icdevice with the MATLAB instrument driver name and instrument's
% resource name to create a device object. In this example the instrument
% is connected by GPIB at board index 0 and primary address 1.
myInstrument = icdevice('Ag34410.mdd', 'GPIB0::01::INSTR','optionstring','simulate=true');
% Connect driver instance
connect(myInstrument);
```

#### **Attributes and Variables Definition**

```
% These values are defined in the driver's header file 'Ag34410.h'
AG34410_VAL_AC_VOLTS = 2;
AG34410_VAL_IMMEDIATE = 1;
```

#### **Get General Device Properties**

Ouerv information about the driver and instrument

```
% Get information about the driver
Utility = get(myInstrument, 'Utility');
Revision = invoke(Utility, 'revisionquery');
DriverIdentification = get(myInstrument,'Inherentiviattributesdriveridentification');
InstrumentIdentification = get(myInstrument,'Inherentiviattributesinstrumentidentification');
Vendor = get(DriverIdentification, 'Specific Driver Vendor');
Description = get(DriverIdentification, 'Specific Driver Description');
InstrumentModel = get(InstrumentIdentification, 'Instrument_Model');
FirmwareRev = get(InstrumentIdentification, 'Instrument_Firmware_Revision');
% Print the queried driver properties
disp(['Description: ', Vendor]);
disp(['InstrumentModel: ', InstrumentModel]);
disp(['FirmwareRev: ', FirmwareRev']).
disp(['Revision:
                            , Revision]);
Revision:
                   1.1.0.0
Vendor:
                   Agilent Technologies
Description:
                  IVI driver for the Agilent 34410/11 family of digital multimeters. [Compiled fo
InstrumentModel: 34410A
FirmwareRev:
                   Sim1.1.0.0
Configure the AC Voltage Measurement
AutoRange = -1;
```

```
Resolution = 0.001;
ConfigGroup = get(myInstrument, 'Configuration');
invoke(ConfigGroup, 'configuremeasurement', AG34410_VAL_AC_VOLTS, AutoRange, Resolution);
```

#### **Configure Multipoint Acquisition**

```
TriggerCount = 1;
SampleCount = 10;
SampleInterval = 0.0001;
 ConfigMultipoint = get(myInstrument, 'Configurationmultipoint');
 invoke(ConfigMultipoint, 'configuremultipoint', TriggerCount,SampleCount,AG34410 VAL IMMEDIATE,SampleCount,AG34410 VAL IMMEDIATE,SAMPLECOUNT,A
```

#### **Initiate the Low Level Measurement**

Call the INITIATE function

```
LowLevelMeasurement = get(myInstrument, 'Measurementlowlevelmeasurement');
invoke(LowLevelMeasurement, 'initiate');
fprintf('Measuring AC Volts\n');
Measuring AC Volts
```

#### **Fetch Data**

```
ReadingArray = zeros(1,10);
[ReadingArray,actualPoints] = invoke(LowLevelMeasurement, 'fetchmultipoint', 5000,10,ReadingArray
```

#### Visualize Data and Display any Errors

```
% Display the fetched data
fprintf('Measured Data: ');
fprintf('%d ',ReadingArray(1:actualPoints));
fprintf('\n\n');
% If there are any errors, query the driver to retrieve and display them.
ErrorNum = 1;
while (ErrorNum ~= 0)
    [ErrorNum, ErrorMsq] = invoke(Utility, 'errorguery');
    fprintf('ErrorQuery: %d, %s\n', ErrorNum, ErrorMsg);
end
Measured Data: 0 0 0
ErrorQuery: 0, No error.
```

#### Disconnect Device Object and Clean Up

```
disconnect(myInstrument);
% Remove instrument objects from memory
delete(myInstrument);
```

#### Additional Information:

This example shows the setup and making measurements from a digital multimeter using the IVI driver. Once the measured data is retrieved from the instrument, MATLAB can be used to visualize and perform analyses on the data using the rich library of functions in the Signal Processing Toolbox<sup>™</sup> and Communications Systems Toolbox<sup>™</sup>. Using Instrument Control Toolbox<sup>™</sup>, it is possible to automate control of instruments, and, build test systems that use MATLAB to perform analyses that may not be possible using the built-in capability of the hardware.

## Set Output Voltage and Make Measurements from a Keysight AgE3633A DC Power Supply Using the IVI-C Driver

This example shows how to initialize the driver, read a few properties of the driver, set output voltage, enable all outputs and measure the output voltage, disable all outputs and measure the output voltage by using Keysight<sup>™</sup> Technologies E3633A DC power supply and output the result in MATLAB®.

#### Requirements

This example requires the following:

- Keysight IO libraries version 17.1 or newer
- Keysight E36xx DC Power Supply IVI version 1.2.0.0 or newer

#### **Enumerate Available IVI-C Drivers on the Computer**

This enumerates the IVI drivers that have been installed on the computer.

```
IviInfo = instrhwinfo('ivi');
IviInfo.Modules
ans =
  Columns 1 through 6
    'Aq33220'
                 'Ag3352x'
                             'Ag34410'
                                            'Ag34970'
                                                          'Aq532xx'
                                                                       'AgAC6800'
  Columns 7 through 11
    'AgE36xx'
                 'AgInfiniiVision'
                                       'AgMD1'
                                                   'AgRfSigGen'
                                                                   'AgXSAn'
  Columns 12 through 13
    'KtRFPowerMeter'
                         'rsspecan'
```

#### Create MATLAB Instrument Driver And Connect to the Instrument

```
% Create the MATLAB instrument driver
makemid('AgE36xx','AgE3633A.mdd')
% Use icdevice with the MATLAB instrument driver name and instrument's
% resource name to create a device object. In this example the instrument
% is connected by GPIB at board index 0 and primary address 1.
myInstrument = icdevice('AgE3633A.mdd', 'GPIB0::01::INSTR','optionstring','simulate=true');
% Connect driver instance
connect(myInstrument);
```

#### **Attributes and Variables Definition**

```
% These values are defined in the driver's header file 'AgE36xx.h'
IVI ATTR BASE = 1000000;
IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE = IVI_ATTR_BASE + 250000;
```

```
AGE36XX_ATTR_VOLTAGE_LEVEL = IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 1;
AGE36XX VAL MEASURE VOLTAGE = 1;
```

#### **Get General Device Properties**

Query information about the driver and instrument

```
DriverIdentification = get(myInstrument,'Inherentiviattributesdriveridentification');
InstrumentIdentification = get(myInstrument, 'Inherentiviattributesinstrumentidentification');
Utility = get(myInstrument, 'Utility');
Revision = invoke(Utility, 'revisionquery');
Vendor = get(DriverIdentification, 'Specific Driver Vendor');
Description = get(DriverIdentification, 'Specific_Driver Description');
InstrumentModel = get(InstrumentIdentification, 'Instrument Model');
FirmwareRev = get(InstrumentIdentification, 'Instrument Firmware Revision');
% Print the queried driver properties
                          %s\n', Revision);
fprintf('Revision:
                          %s\n', Vendor);
fprintf('Vendor:
                          %s\n', Description);
fprintf('Description:
fprintf('InstrumentModel: %s\n', InstrumentModel);
fprintf('FirmwareRev: %s\n', FirmwareRev);
fprintf(' \n');
Revision:
                 1.2.1.0
Vendor:
                 Agilent Technologies
                 IVI driver for the Agilent E36xx family of programmable power supplies [Compile
Description:
InstrumentModel: E3633A
FirmwareRev:
                Sim1.2.1.0
```

#### **Set Output Voltage**

```
Configuration = get(myInstrument, 'Configuration');
invoke(Configuration, 'configurevoltagelevel', 'Output1', 1.23);
fprintf('Output 1 set to: 1.23 Volts \n');
Output 1 set to: 1.23 Volts
```

#### **Enable All Outputs and Measure the Output Voltage**

```
Outputs = get(myInstrument, 'Outputs');
set(Outputs, 'Enabled', true);
fprintf('All outputs enabled \n');
% The measured voltage should read as the set value.
Action = get(myInstrument, 'Action');
MeasVal = invoke(Action, 'measure', 'Output1', AGE36XX_VAL_MEASURE_VOLTAGE);
fprintf('Output 1 Measurement = %.4g Volts\n', MeasVal);
All outputs enabled
Output 1 Measurement = 1.23 Volts
```

#### Disable All Outputs and Measure the Output Voltage

```
set(Outputs, 'Enabled', false);
fprintf('All outputs disabled\n');
% Since all outputs have been disabled, the measured voltage should be 0.
```

```
MeasVal = invoke(Action, 'measure', 'Output1', AGE36XX_VAL_MEASURE_VOLTAGE);
fprintf('Output 1 Measurement = %.4g Volts\n\n', MeasVal);
All outputs disabled
Output 1 Measurement = 0 Volts
```

#### **Display Any Errors from the Driver**

```
% If there are any errors, query the driver to retrieve and display them.
ErrorNum = 1;
while (ErrorNum ~= 0)
    [ErrorNum, ErrorMsg] = invoke(Utility, 'errorquery');
    fprintf('ErrorQuery: %d, %s\n', ErrorNum, ErrorMsg);
end
ErrorQuery: 0, No error.
```

#### Disconnect the Device Object and Clean Up

```
disconnect(myInstrument);
% Remove instrument objects from memory.
delete(myInstrument);
```

#### **Additional Information:**

This example shows setting output voltage and making measurements on a DC power supply using the IVI driver. Once the measured voltage is retrieved from the instrument, MATLAB can be used to visualize and perform analyses on the data using the rich library of functions in the Signal Processing Toolbox™ and Communications Systems Toolbox™. Using Instrument Control Toolbox™, it is possible to automate control of instruments, and, build test systems that use MATLAB to perform analyses that may not be possible using the built-in capability of the hardware.

## Generate AM Waveforms on Keysight 3352x Waveform Generator Using IVI-C Driver

This example shows how to initialize the Ag3352x IVI-C driver, read a few properties from the driver, generate waveforms using the Keysight® Technologies 3352x waveform generator, and output the result in MATLAB®.

#### Requirements

To run this example, you must have the following installed on your computer:

- · Keysight IO libraries version 2021 or newer
- Keysight 335XX / 336XX Function / Arbitrary Waveform Generator IVI driver version 2.4.2.0

#### **View Installed IVI-C Drivers**

View a list of the IVI-C drivers and associated MATLAB drivers that are installed on your computer using ividriverlist.

#### list = ividriverlist

list=17×4	table VendorDriver	MATLABDriver	IVIClass		
1	"Ag3352x"	"Ag3352x"	"IVIFgen"	{["33509B"	"33510
2	"AgInfiniiVision"	"AgInfiniiVision"	"IVIScope"	{["C7302"	"C7302C
3	"AgRfSigGen"	"AgRfSigGen"	"IVIRfSigGen"	{["E4428C"	"E44380
4	"IviACPwr"	"IviACPwr"	"IVIACPwr"	{[""	
5	"IviCounter"	"IviCounter"	"IVICounter"	{[""	
6	"IviDCPwr"	"IviDCPwr"	"IVIDCPwr"	{[""	
7	"IviDigitizer"	"IviDigitizer"	"IVIDigitizer"	{[""	
8	"IviDmm"	"IviDmm"	"IVIDmm"	{[""	
9	"IviDownconverter"	"IviDownconverter"	"IVIDownconverter"	{[""	
10	"IviFgen"	"IviFgen"	"IVIFgen"	{[""	
11	"IviPwrMeter"	"IviPwrMeter"	"IVIPwrMeter"	{[""	
12	"IviRfSigGen"	"IviRfSigGen"	"IVIRfSigGen"	{[""	
13	"IviScope"	"IviScope"	"IVIScope"	{[""	
14	"IviSpecAn"	"IviSpecAn"	"IVISpecAn"	{[""	
15	"IviSwtch"	"IviSwtch"	"IVISwtch"	{[""	
16	"IviUpconverter"	"IviUpconverter"	"IVIUpconverter"	{[""	
:					

In this example, you use the Ag3352x MATLAB driver.

#### **Connect to Instrument**

Connect to a simulated Keysight waveform generator using ividev with the instrument's MATLAB driver name and resource name. This example uses the Ag3352x driver's simulation mode to run without physically connecting any hardware. Since simulation mode is enabled, the resource name can be specified as empty.

```
dev = ividev("Ag3352x","",Simulate=true)
dev =
   Ag3352x with properties:
```

```
Model: "33522B"
        Manufacturer: "Agilent Technologies"
         SerialNumber: ""
         ResourceName: ""
         VendorDriver: "Ag3352x"
             Simulate: 1
           ChannelIDs: ["Channel1", "Channel2"]
InherentIVIAttributes: [1x1 InherentIVIAttributes]
                   AM: [1x2 AM]
            Arbitrary: [1x2 Arbitrary]
          Calibration: [1x1 Calibration]
              Channel: [1x2 Channel]
              Display: [1x1 Display]
                   FM: [1x2 FM]
               Memory: [1x1 Memory]
               Output: [1x2 Output]
     StandardWaveform: [1x2 StandardWaveform]
         StateStorage: [1x1 StateStorage]
               System: [1x1 System]
              Trigger: [1x2 Trigger]
```

Show all functions

ans =

#### **Get General Instrument Properties**

InherentIVIAttributes with properties:

Query information about the driver and its attributes. You can explore properties and sub-properties of the object by clicking on the property links from the object output display.

### dev.InherentIVIAttributes

```
AdvancedSessionInformation: [1x1 AdvancedSessionInformation]
            DriverCapabilities: [1x1 DriverCapabilities]
          DriverIdentification: [1x1 DriverIdentification]
      InstrumentIdentification: [1x1 InstrumentIdentification]
                   UserOptions: [1x1 UserOptions]
dev.InherentIVIAttributes.DriverIdentification
ans =
 DriverIdentification with properties:
    SpecificDriverClassSpecMajorVersion: 3
    SpecificDriverClassSpecMinorVersion: 0
              SpecificDriverDescription: "IVI driver for the Agilent 33500/33600 family of Funct.
                   SpecificDriverPrefix: "Ag3352x"
                 SpecificDriverRevision: "2.4.2.0"
                   SpecificDriverVendor: "Agilent Technologies"
```

#### dev.InherentIVIAttributes.InstrumentIdentification

```
ans =
  InstrumentIdentification with properties:
    InstrumentFirmwareRevision: "Sim2.4.2.0"
        InstrumentManufacturer: "Agilent Technologies"
                InstrumentModel: "33522B"
Create AM Waveform
Clear all event registers and the error queue.
statusClear(dev)
Reset the instrument to a known state.
reset(dev)
Configure standard waveform generation. Set the amplitude to 5 V, DC offset to 0 V, frequency to 1
MHz, and start phase to 0 degrees.
configureStandardWaveform(dev, "Channell", "WFM SINE", 5, 0, 1e6, 0)
Enable amplitude modulation.
configureAMEnabled(dev, "Channel1", true)
Set the source of the AM waveform as internal.
configureAMSource(dev, "Channell", "AM_INTERNAL")
Configure internal amplitude modulating waveform source.
depth = 50;
amFrequency = 10000;
configureAMInternal(dev,depth, "AM_INTERNAL_SINE",amFrequency)
Enable signal output.
configureOutputEnabled(dev, "Channel1", true)
Display Any Errors from Driver
If there are any errors, query the driver to retrieve and display them.
errorNum = 1;
while (errorNum ~= 0)
    [errorNum,errorMsg] = error query(dev);
    fprintf('ErrorQuery: %d, %s\n',errorNum,errorMsg);
ErrorQuery: 0, No error.
Clean Up
Disconnect and clear the ividev object from the workspace.
clear dev
```

## Measure Power on a Keysight RF Power Meter Using the IVI-C Driver

This example shows how to initialize the driver, read a few properties of the driver and make power measurements using Keysight™ RF Power Meter and output the result in MATLAB®.

#### Requirements

This example requires the following:

- Keysight (Agilent) IO libraries version 17.1 or newer
- Keysight (Agilent) RF Power Meter IVI version 1.0.9.0 or newer

#### **Enumerate Available IVI-C Drivers On The Computer**

This enumerates the IVI drivers that have been installed on the computer.

```
IviInfo = instrhwinfo('ivi');
IviInfo.Modules
ans =
 Columns 1 through 6
                 'Ag3352x'
                             'Ag34410'
                                            'Ag34970'
    'Ag33220'
                                                         'Ag532xx'
                                                                       'AgAC6800'
 Columns 7 through 11
    'AgE36xx'
                 'AqInfiniiVision'
                                      'AgMD1'
                                                  'AgRfSigGen'
                                                                   'AgXSAn'
 Columns 12 through 13
    'KtRFPowerMeter'
                        'rsspecan'
```

#### Create a MATLAB Instrument Driver and Connect to the Simulated Instrument

```
% Create the MATLAB instrument driver
makemid('KtRFPowerMeter','KtRFPowerMeter.mdd')
% Use icdevice with the MATLAB instrument driver name and instrument's
% resource name to create a device object. In this example the instrument
% is connected by GPIB at board index 0 and primary address 1.
myInstrument = icdevice('KtRFPowerMeter.mdd', 'GPIBO::01::INSTR','optionstring','simulate=true')
% Connect driver instance
connect(myInstrument);
```

#### **Attributes and Variables Definition**

```
% These values are defined in the driver's header file 'KtRFPowerMeter.h'
IVI ATTR BASE = 1000000;
IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE = IVI_ATTR_BASE + 250000;
IVI_SPECIFIC_ATTR_BASE = IVI_ATTR_BASE + 150000;
KTRFPOWERMETER_ATTR_CALIBRATOR_ENABLED = IVI_SPECIFIC_ATTR_BASE + 189; % 1150189
KTRFPOWERMETER_ATTR_OFFSET = IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 5; % 1250005
```

```
KTRFPOWERMETER_ATTR_CHANNELS_ITEM_TRIGGER_CONTINUOUS_ENABLED = IVI_SPECIFIC_ATTR_BASE + 49;
KTRFPOWERMETER_ATTR_MEASUREMENTS_ITEM_OFFSET_ENABLED = IVI_SPECIFIC_ATTR_BASE + 79;
```

#### **Get General Device Properties**

Query information about the driver and instrument

```
DriverIdentification = get(myInstrument,'Inherentiviattributesdriveridentification');
InstrumentIdentification = get(myInstrument,'Inherentiviattributesinstrumentidentification');
Utility = get(myInstrument, 'Utility');
Revision = invoke(Utility, 'revisionquery');
Vendor = get(DriverIdentification, 'Specific Driver Vendor');
Description = get(DriverIdentification, 'Specific Driver Description');
InstrumentModel = get(InstrumentIdentification, 'Instrument Model');
FirmwareRev = get(InstrumentIdentification, 'Instrument Firmware Revision');
% Print the queried driver properties
fprintf('Revision: %s\n', Revision);
fprintf('Vendor: %s\n', Vendor);
fprintf('Description: %s\n', Description);
fprintf('InstrumentModel: %s\n', InstrumentModel);
fprintf('FirmwareRev: %s\n', FirmwareRev);
fprintf(' \n');
Revision:
                    1.0.9.0
Vendor:
                    Keysight Technologies
                   IVI Driver for KtRFPowerMeter [Compiled for 64-bit.]
Description:
InstrumentModel: E4416A
FirmwareRev:
                   Sim1.0.9.0
```

#### **Configure Power Meter**

```
% Perform the default preset on the power meter
InstrumentSpecificSystem = get(myInstrument, 'Instrumentspecificsystem');
invoke(InstrumentSpecificSystem, 'systempreset');
% Wait until all instrument operations complete or until MaxTimeMilliseconds has expired
invoke(InstrumentSpecificSystem, 'systemwaitforoperationcomplete', 20000);
% Disables continuous triggering
AttributeAccessors = get(myInstrument, 'Attributeaccessors');
invoke(AttributeAccessors, 'setattributeviboolean', 'A', KTRFPOWERMETER ATTR CHANNELS ITEM TRIGG
% Get the number of channels available on the instrument
BasicOperation = get(myInstrument, 'Basicoperation');
ChannelCount = get(BasicOperation, 'Channel_Count');
% Get the model number or name reported by the physical instrument
InherentIviAttributesInstrumentIdentification = get(myInstrument, 'Inherentiviattributesinstrument
InstrumentModel = get(InherentIviAttributesInstrumentIdentification, 'Instrument_Model');
if (ChannelCount >= 2) && not(strcmpi(InstrumentModel,'N1913A')) && not(strcmpi(InstrumentModel,
    % Disables continuous triggering
    invoke(AttributeAccessors, 'setattributeviboolean', 'B', KTRFPOWERMETER_ATTR_CHANNELS_ITEM_T
end
% Enables the POWER REF output
invoke(AttributeAccessors, 'setattributeviboolean', 'A', KTRFPOWERMETER ATTR CALIBRATOR ENABLED,
```

#### **Make Measurements**

```
% Initiates a measurement on all enabled channels
MeasurementLowLevelMeasurement = get(myInstrument, 'Measurementlowlevelmeasurement');
invoke(MeasurementLowLevelMeasurement, 'initiate');
```

```
% Wait until all instrument operations complete or MaxTimeMilliseconds has expired
invoke(InstrumentSpecificSystem, 'systemwaitforoperationcomplete', 10000);
for iLoop = 1:4
    % Specifying an offset to be added to the measured value in units of dB
   invoke(AttributeAccessors, 'setattributevireal64', 'A', KTRFPOWERMETER ATTR OFFSET, -10*iLoo
   % Initiates a measurement
   InstrumentSpecificMeasurement = get(myInstrument, 'Instrumentspecificmeasurement');
   ReadResult = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementsitemread', '1',50000);
   % Disable the display offset
   invoke(AttributeAccessors, 'setattributeviboolean', '1', KTRFPOWERMETER_ATTR_MEASUREMENTS IT
   % Fetch the result of a previously initiated measurement
   FetchResult = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementsitemfetch', '1',50000);
   % Enable the display offset
   invoke(AttributeAccessors, 'setattributeviboolean', '1', KTRFPOWERMETER ATTR MEASUREMENTS IT
   % Perform a power measurement
   MeasResult = invoke(InstrumentSpecificMeasurement, 'measurementsitemmeasure', '1',50000);
    fprintf('Read result: %.3f, Fetch Result: %g, Measure Result: %g\n', ReadResult, FetchResult
end
fprintf('\n');
Read result: 0.000, Fetch Result: 0, Measure Result: 0
Read result: 0.000, Fetch Result: 0, Measure Result: 0
Read result: 0.000, Fetch Result: 0, Measure Result: 0
Read result: 0.000, Fetch Result: 0, Measure Result: 0
```

#### Display Any Errors from the Driver

```
% If there are any errors, query the driver to retrieve and display them.
ErrorNum = 1:
while (ErrorNum ~= 0)
    [ErrorNum, ErrorMsg] = invoke(Utility, 'errorquery');
    fprintf('ErrorQuery: %d, %s\n', ErrorNum, ErrorMsg);
end
ErrorQuery: 0, No error.
```

#### **Disconnect Device Object and Clean Up**

```
disconnect(myInstrument);
% Remove instrument objects from memory.
delete(myInstrument);
```

#### Additional Information:

This example shows the setup and measuring of power from a RF power meter using the IVI driver. Once the measured data is retrieved from the instrument, MATLAB can be used to visualize and perform analyses on the data using the rich library of functions in the Signal Processing Toolbox™ and Communications Systems Toolbox™. Using Instrument Control Toolbox™, it is possible to automate control of instruments, and, build test systems that use MATLAB to perform analyses that may not be possible using the built-in capability of the hardware.

## Configure Output Signal on Keysight RF Signal Generator Using IVI-C Driver

This example shows how to initialize the AgRfSigGen IVI-C driver, read a few properties from the driver, configure an output signal using a Keysight<sup>m</sup> Technologies RF Signal Generator, and output the result in MATLAB®.

#### Requirements

To run this example, you must have the following installed on your computer:

- Keysight IO libraries version 2021 or newer
- Keysight RF Signal Generators IVI and MATLAB instrument drivers version 1.9.2.0

#### **View Installed IVI-C Drivers**

View a list of the IVI-C drivers and associated MATLAB drivers that are installed on your computer using ividriverlist.

list = ividriverlist

list=17×4	table VendorDriver	MATLABDriver	IVIClass		
1	"Ag3352x"	"Ag3352x"	"IVIFgen"	{["33509B"	"33510
2	"AgInfiniiVision"	"AgInfiniiVision"	"IVIScope"	{["C7302"	"C73020
3	"AgRfSigGen"	"AgRfSigGen"	"IVIRfSigGen"	{["E4428C"	"E4438
4	"IviACPwr"	"IviACPwr"	"IVIACPwr"	{[""	
5	"IviCounter"	"IviCounter"	"IVICounter"	{[""	
6	"IviDCPwr"	"IviDCPwr"	"IVIDCPwr"	{[""	
7	"IviDigitizer"	"IviDigitizer"	"IVIDigitizer"	{[""	
8	"IviDmm"	"IviDmm"	"IVIDmm"	{[""	
9	"IviDownconverter"	"IviDownconverter"	"IVIDownconverter"	{[""	
10	"IviFgen"	"IviFgen"	"IVIFgen"	{[""	
11	"IviPwrMeter"	"IviPwrMeter"	"IVIPwrMeter"	{[""]}	
12	"IviRfSigGen"	"IviRfSigGen"	"IVIRfSigGen"	{[""]}	
13	"IviScope"	"IviScope"	"IVIScope"	{[""	
14	"IviSpecAn"	"IviSpecAn"	"IVISpecAn"	{[""	
15	"IviSwtch"	"IviSwtch"	"IVISwtch"	{[""	
16	"IviUpconverter"	"IviUpconverter"	"IVIUpconverter"	{[""	
:	•	·	•	-	

In this example, you use the AgRfSigGen MATLAB driver.

#### **Connect to Instrument**

Connect to a simulated Keysight RF signal generator using ividev with the instrument's MATLAB driver name and resource name. This example uses the AgRfSigGen driver's simulation mode to run without physically connecting any hardware. Since simulation mode is enabled, the resource name can be specified as empty.

```
dev = ividev("AgRfSigGen","",Simulate=true)
dev =
   AgRfSigGen with properties:
```

```
Model: "E4428C"
        Manufacturer: "Keysight Technologies"
         SerialNumber: ""
         ResourceName: ""
         VendorDriver: "AgRfSigGen"
             Simulate: 1
         ArmAlarmIDs: []
         ArmSourceIDs: []
             EventIDs: ["Event!!LAN0", "Event!!LAN1", "Event!!LAN2", "Event!!LAN3", ...]
      LFGeneratorIDs: "LFG1"
      TriggerAlarmIDs: "TriggerAlarm!!ALARM0"
     TriggerSourceIDs: ["TriggerSource!!LANO", "TriggerSource!!LAN1", "TriggerSource!!LAN2",
InherentIVIAttributes: [1x1 InherentIVIAttributes]
                  ALC: [1x1 ALC]
     AnalogModulation: [1x1 AnalogModulation]
         ARBGenerator: [1x1 ARBGenerator]
                  Arm: [1x1 Arm]
                 CDMA: [1x1 CDMA]
   DigitalModulation: [1x1 DigitalModulation]
              Display: [1x1 Display]
                 DSIM: [1x1 DSIM]
                Event: [1x8 Event]
             EventLog: [1x1 EventLog]
                   IQ: [1x1 IQ]
          LFGenerator: [1x1 LFGenerator]
                  Ptp: [1x1 Ptp]
      PulseGenerator: [1x1 PulseGenerator]
      PulseModulation: [1x1 PulseModulation]
 ReferenceOscillator: [1x1 ReferenceOscillator]
                   RF: [1x1 RF]
               Status: [1x1 Status]
                Sweep: [1x1 Sweep]
               System: [1x1 System]
                 TDMA: [1x1 TDMA]
                 Time: [1x1 Time]
              Trigger: [1x1 Trigger]
         FriendlyName: (Currently not accessible)
   ActiveLFGenerator: "LFG1"
```

Show all functions

#### **Get General Instrument Properties**

Query information about the driver and its attributes. You can explore properties and sub-properties of the object by clicking on the property links from the object output display.

#### dev.InherentIVIAttributes

```
ans =
 InherentIVIAttributes with properties:
   AdvancedSessionInformation: [1x1 AdvancedSessionInformation]
            DriverCapabilities: [1x1 DriverCapabilities]
         DriverIdentification: [1x1 DriverIdentification]
```

```
InstrumentIdentification: [1x1 InstrumentIdentification]
                    UserOptions: [1x1 UserOptions]
dev.InherentIVIAttributes.DriverIdentification
  DriverIdentification with properties:
    SpecificDriverClassSpecMajorVersion: 2
    SpecificDriverClassSpecMinorVersion: 0
               SpecificDriverDescription: "IVI Driver for Keysight Technologies RF Signal Generate
                    SpecificDriverPrefix: "AgRfSigGen"
                  SpecificDriverRevision: "1.9.2.0"
                    SpecificDriverVendor: "Keysight Technologies"
dev.InherentIVIAttributes.InstrumentIdentification
 InstrumentIdentification with properties:
    InstrumentFirmwareRevision: "Sim1.9.2.0"
    InstrumentManufacturer: "Keysight Technologies"
                InstrumentModel: "E4428C"
Configure and Output Carrier Signal
Specify and configure frequency and amplitude (power level) of the RF output signal as 1GHz/0dBm
(1 milliwatt).
reset(dev);
frequency = 1E9;
powerLevel = 0;
outputEnabled = true;
configureRF(dev,frequency,powerLevel)
Enable RF output signal.
configureOutputEnabled(dev,outputEnabled)
Disable AM, FM, and PM modes.
analogModulationDisableAll(dev)
Enable Amplitude Modulation (AM) Output
Initialize the buffer size.
bufferSize = 256:
Get the analog modulation source name.
Lfg = getLFGeneratorName(dev,1,bufferSize)
Lfg =
"LFG1"
```

Set Lfg as amplitude modulation (AM) source.

```
dev.AnalogModulation.AM.AMSource = Lfg;
Set Lfg as active LF generator.
dev.ActiveLFGenerator = Lfg;
Generate a 2 kHz sine waveform modulation signal.
configureLFGenerator(dev,2000,"LF_GENERATOR_WAVEFORM_SINE")
Enable amplitude modulation (AM) mode.
dev.AnalogModulation.AM.AMEnabled = true;
Display Any Errors from Driver
If there are any errors, query the driver to retrieve and display them.
errorNum = 1;
while (errorNum ~= 0)
    [errorNum,errorMsg] = error_query(dev);
    fprintf('ErrorQuery: %d, %s\n',errorNum,errorMsg);
end
ErrorQuery: 0, No error.
Clean Up
Disconnect and clear the ividev object from the workspace.
clear dev
```

# Set and Measure DAC (Data Acquisition) Channel Voltage on Keysight 34970A Switch Using the IVI-C Driver

This example shows how to initialize the driver, read a few properties of the driver, identify installed cards, set DAC channel output voltage and measure DC voltage using Agilent® Technologies 34970A data acquisition/switch unit and output the result in MATLAB®.

#### Requirements

This example requires the following to be installed on the computer:

- Keysight<sup>™</sup> IO libraries version 17.1 or newer
- Keysight 34970A, 34972A Data Acquisition Switch Unit IVI driver version 1.0.3.0 or newer

### **Enumerate Available IVI-C Drivers On The Computer**

This enumerates the IVI drivers that have been installed on the computer.

```
IviInfo = instrhwinfo('ivi');
IviInfo.Modules
ans =
 Columns 1 through 6
    'Ag33220'
                 'Ag3352x'
                               'Ag34410'
                                             'Ag34970'
                                                           'Aq532xx'
                                                                         'AgAC6800'
 Columns 7 through 11
    'AgE36xx'
                 'AgInfiniiVision'
                                        'AgMD1'
                                                    'AgRfSigGen'
                                                                    'AgXSAn'
 Columns 12 through 13
    'KtRFPowerMeter'
                         'rsspecan'
```

#### **Create MATLAB Instrument Driver And Connect To The Instrument**

```
% Create the MATLAB instrument driver
makemid('Ag34970','Ag34970.mdd')
% Use icdevice with the MATLAB instrument driver name and instrument's
% resource name to create a device object. In this example the instrument
% is connected by GPIB at board index 0 and primary address 1.
myInstrument = icdevice('Ag34970.mdd', 'GPIB0::01::INSTR','optionstring','simulate=true');
% Connect driver instance
connect(myInstrument);
```

#### **Get General Device Properties**

Query information about the driver and instrument

```
Utility = get(myInstrument, 'Utility');
DriverIdentification = get(myInstrument,'Inherentiviattributesdriveridentification');
InstrumentIdentification = get(myInstrument,'Inherentiviattributesinstrumentidentification');
```

```
Revision = invoke(Utility, 'revisionquery');
Vendor = get(DriverIdentification, 'Specific_Driver_Vendor');
Description = get(DriverIdentification, 'Specific_Driver_Description');
InstrumentModel = get(InstrumentIdentification, 'Instrument_Model');
FirmwareRev = get(InstrumentIdentification, 'Instrument Firmware Revision');
% Print the queried driver properties
fprintf('Revision: %s\n', Revision);
fprintf('Vendor: %s\n', Vendor);
fprintf('Description: %s\n', Description);
fprintf('InstrumentModel: %s\n', InstrumentModel);
fprintf('FirmwareRev: %s\n', FirmwareRev);
fprintf(' \n');
Revision:
                  1.4.0.0
                   Agilent Technologies
Vendor:
                 IVI driver for the Agilent 34970 data acquisition/switch unit. [Compiled for 64
Description:
InstrumentModel: 34970A
FirmwareRev:
                   Sim1.4.0.0
Identify Installed Cards
System = get(myInstrument, 'System');
for iLoop = 100:100:300
    CardType = invoke(System, 'systemgetcardtype', iLoop, 127);
    fprintf('Slot: %d CardType: %s\n', iLoop, CardType);
    if regexp(CardType, ',34907A,')
         DacSlot = iLoop;
    end
    if regexp(CardType, ',34908A,')
                                          % Single ended -- 40 channels
         MuxSlot = iLoop;
    if regexp(CardType, ',34902A,')
                                          % 16 channel Mux
         MuxSlot = iLoop;
    end
    if regexp(CardType, ',34901A,')
         MuxSlot = iLoop;
    end
end
fprintf('\n');
Slot: 100 CardType: HEWLETT-PACKARD, 34901A, 0, 1.1
Slot: 200 CardType: HEWLETT-PACKARD, 34901A, 0, 1.1
Slot: 300 CardType: HEWLETT-PACKARD, 34907A, 0, 1.1
Set and Measure DAC Channel 5 Output Voltage
% set DAC voltage to 2.345 V and Select channel 5 on the DAC card
DacVoltage = 2.345;
DacChannel = DacSlot+5;
if DacSlot ~= 0
    % Sets the output voltage level on the DAC channel 5
    Dac = get(myInstrument, 'Dac');
    invoke(Dac, 'dacsetvoltage', DacChannel, DacVoltage);
    % Gets the output voltage level on the DAC channel 5
    DacVoltage = invoke(Dac, 'dacgetvoltage', DacChannel);
    fprintf('DAC channel %d set to %.3f volts\n\n', DacChannel, DacVoltage);
```

```
else
    fprintf('34907A Multifunction Module not found\n\n');
end
DAC channel 305 set to 2.345 volts
Display Errors
% If there are any errors, query the driver to retrieve and display them.
ErrorNum = 1;
while (ErrorNum ~= 0)
    [ErrorNum, ErrorMsg] = invoke(Utility, 'errorquery');
    fprintf('ErrorQuery: %d, %s\n', ErrorNum, ErrorMsg);
end
ErrorQuery: 0, No error.
Disconnect Device Object And Clean Up
disconnect(myInstrument);
% Remove instrument objects from memory.
delete(myInstrument);
```

#### **Additional Information:**

This example shows the set and measure DAC channel voltage from an Switch using the IVI driver. Once the measured voltage data is retrieved from the instrument, MATLAB can be used to visualize and perform analyses on the data using the rich library of functions in the Signal Processing Toolbox $^{\text{TM}}$  and Communications Systems Toolbox $^{\text{TM}}$ . Using Instrument Control Toolbox $^{\text{TM}}$ , it is possible to automate control of instruments, and, build test systems that use MATLAB to perform analyses that may not be possible using the built-in capability of the hardware.

## **Acquire Signal Spectrum on Rohde & Schwarz Spectrum Analyzer Using IVI-C Driver**

This example shows how to initialize the rsspecan IVI-C driver, read a few properties from the driver, acquire a signal spectrum using Rohde & Schwarz® spectrum analyzer, and visualize the spectrum in MATLAB®.

#### Requirements

To run this example, you must have Rohde & Schwarz Spectrum Analyzer IVI-C x64 driver version 2.0.1 installed on your computer.

#### **View Installed IVI-C Drivers**

View a list of the IVI-C drivers and associated MATLAB drivers that are installed on your computer using ividriverlist.

#### list = ividriverlist

list=14×4	<i>table</i> VendorDriver	MATLABDriver	IVIClass		
1	"IviACPwr"	"IviACPwr"	"IVIACPwr"	{[""	
2	"IviCounter"	"IviCounter"	"IVICounter"	{[""	
3	"IviDCPwr"	"IviDCPwr"	"IVIDCPwr"	{[""	
4	"IviDigitizer"	"IviDigitizer"	"IVIDigitizer"	{[""	
5	"IviDmm"	"IviDmm"	"IVIDmm"	{[""	
6	"IviDownconverter"	"IviDownconverter"	"IVIDownconverter"	{[""	
7	"IviFgen"	"IviFgen"	"IVIFgen"	{[""	
8	"IviPwrMeter"	"IviPwrMeter"	"IVIPwrMeter"	{[""	
9	"IviRfSigGen"	"IviRfSigGen"	"IVIRfSigGen"	{[""	
10	"IviScope"	"IviScope"	"IVIScope"	{[""	
11	"IviSpecAn"	"IviSpecAn"	"IVISpecAn"	{[""	
12	"IviSwtch"	"IviSwtch"	"IVISwtch"	{[""	
13	"IviUpconverter"	"IviUpconverter"	"IVIUpconverter"	{[""	
14	"rsspecan"	"rsspecan"	"IVISpecAn"	{["ESW"	"FPH"

In this example, you use the rsspecan MATLAB driver.

#### **Connect to Instrument**

Connect to a simulated Rohde & Schwarz® spectrum analyzer using ividev with the instrument's MATLAB driver name and resource name. This example uses the rsspecan driver's simulation mode to run without physically connecting any hardware. Since simulation mode is enabled, the resource name can be specified as empty.

```
dev = ividev("rsspecan","",Simulate=true)
dev =
 rsspecan with properties:
                      Model: "FSW-26"
               Manufacturer: "Rohde&Schwarz"
               SerialNumber: ""
```

```
ResourceName: ""
VendorDriver: "rsspecan"
Simulate: 1

MarkerIDs: ["1", "2", "3", "4", "5", "6", "7", "8", "9", "10", ...]
TraceIDs: ["TRACE1", "TRACE2", "TRACE3", "TRACE4", "TRACE5", "TRACE6", ...]

InherentIVIAttributes: [1x1 InherentIVIAttributes]
BasicOperation: [1x1 BasicOperation]
Markers: [1x16 Markers]
Trigger: [1x1 Trigger]
DisplayControl: [1x1 DisplayControl]
ExternalMixing: [1x1 ExternalMixing]
MiscellaneousAttributes: [1x1 MiscellaneousAttributes]
```

Show all functions

#### **Get General Instrument Properties**

Query information about the driver and its attributes. You can explore properties and sub-properties of the object by clicking on the property links from the object output display.

```
dev.InherentIVIAttributes
```

#### dev.InherentIVIAttributes.DriverIdentification

```
DriverIdentification with properties:

Description: "Rohde & Schwarz Signal and Spectrum Analyzer IVI-C Driver"

DriverPrefix: "rsspecan"

DriverVendor: "Rohde&Schwarz"

Revision: "Driver: rsspecan 2.0 (2.0.1.13), Compiler: CVI 15.00, Compose ClassSpecificationMajorVersion: 1
ClassSpecificationMinorVersion: 0
```

#### **Set Center Frequency and Span**

Configure the frequency range of the spectrum analyzer using the center frequency and frequency span.

```
centerFrequency = 2E+9;
frequencySpan = 500E+6;
configureFrequencyCenterSpan(dev,centerFrequency,frequencySpan)
```

#### **Set Single Sweep**

Configure the acquisition attributes of the spectrum analyzer.

```
sweepModeContinuous = false;
number0fSweeps = 1;
detectorTypeAuto = true;
detectorType = "DETECTOR TYPE AUTO PEAK";
verticalScale = "VERTICAL SCALE LINEAR";
configureAcquisition(dev,sweepModeContinuous,numberOfSweeps,detectorTypeAuto,detectorType,vertice
```

#### **Configure Reference Level and Range**

Configure the vertical attributes of the spectrum analyzer, including amplitude units, input attenuation, input impedance, reference level, and reference level offset.

```
amplitudeUnits = "AMPLITUDE UNITS DBM";
inputImpedance = 50.0;
referenceLevel = -10.0;
referenceLevelOffset = 0;
attenuationAuto = false;
attenuation = 10.0;
configureLevel(dev,amplitudeUnits,inputImpedance,referenceLevel,referenceLevelOffset,attenuation
```

#### **Configure Coupling and Sweep Attributes**

Configure the coupling and sweep attributes of the spectrum analyzer, including resolution bandwidth, video bandwidth, and sweep time.

```
resolutionBandwidthAuto = false;
 resolutionBandwidth = 1.0E+6;
videoBandwidthAuto = false;
 videoBandwidth = 1.0E+6;
sweepTimeAuto = false;
 sweepTime = 5.0E-3:
 configureSweepCoupling(dev,resolutionBandwidthAuto,resolutionBandwidth,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto,videoBandwidthAuto
```

#### **Perform Sweep**

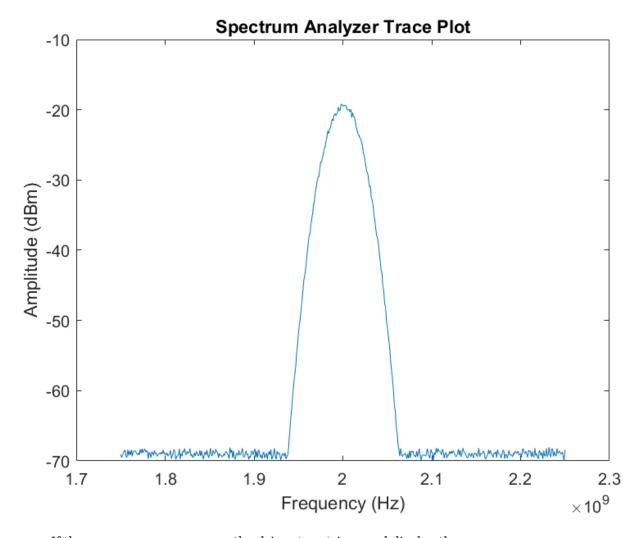
Initiate a signal acquisition based on the present instrument configuration. The function readYTrace waits for the acquisition to complete and returns the trace as an array of amplitude values. The amplitude array returns data that represents the amplitude of signals of the sweep from the start frequency to the stop frequency. The amplitude units attribute determines the units of the points in the amplitude array.

```
maximumTimeMs = 5000;
arravLength = 501:
amplitudeX = 1.75e+09:0.1e+07:2.25e+09;
[actualPointsY,amplitudeY] = readYTrace(dev,"TRACE1",maximumTimeMs,arrayLength);
```

#### Visualize Data and Display Any Errors

Display the acquired spectrum.

```
plot(amplitudeX,amplitudeY);
title('Spectrum Analyzer Trace Plot');
xlabel('Frequency (Hz)');
ylabel('Amplitude (dBm)');
```



If there are any errors, query the driver to retrieve and display them.

```
errorNum = 1;
while (errorNum ~= 0)
    [errorNum,errorMsg] = error_query(dev);
    fprintf('ErrorQuery: %d, %s\n',errorNum,errorMsg);
end

ErrorQuery: 0, No error.
```

#### Clean Up

Disconnect and clear ividev object from the workspace.

clear dev

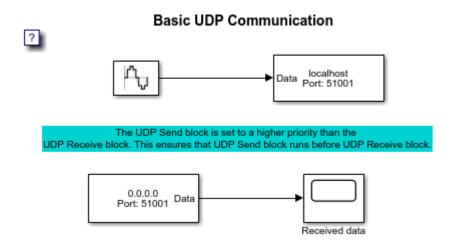
### **Basic UDP Communication**

This example shows how to transfer data over the UDP network using Simulink®.

Instrument Control Toolbox™ provides Simulink® blocks for sending and receiving data over TCP/IP and UDP networks. This example uses the UDP Send and Receive block to perform data transfer over a UDP network.

This example requires Simulink to open and run the model.

open\_system('demoinstrsl\_udpcommunication');



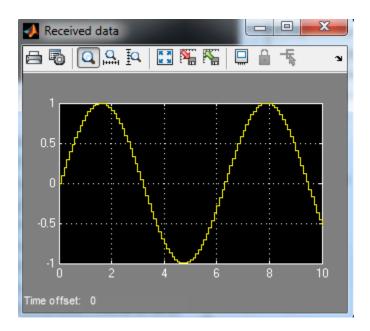
close\_system('demoinstrsl\_udpcommunication');

#### Setup

The input signal sent to the UDP Send block is a sine wave of frequency 1 radians/second. The UDP Send and Receive blocks use the 'localhost' for transferring data across two different ports. The port selected for the two UDP blocks are 51000 and 51001.

#### Result

The resulting sine wave is seen in the scope block connected to the UDP Receive block.



In this example, the UDP Send and Receive blocks exist in the same Simulink model and are run on the same machine. However, you can also use the UDP Send and Receive blocks in two different models and communicate across two different machines.

## **Video Surveillance Over TCP/IP Network**

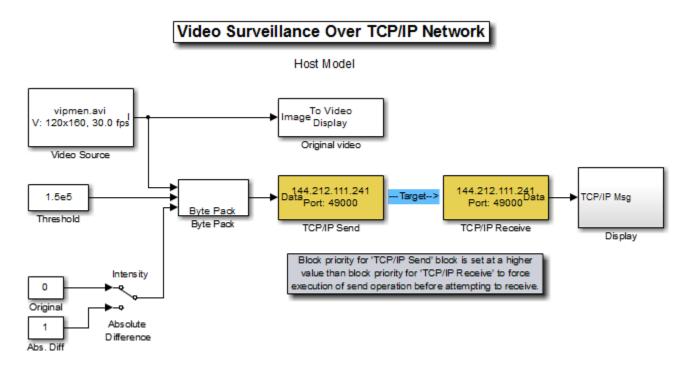
This example shows how to do video surveillance over the TCP/IP network using Simulink®.

Instrument Control Toolbox™ provides Simulink® blocks for sending and receiving data over TCP/IP and UDP networks. This example uses the TCP/IP Send and Receive blocks to perform Video Surveillance. The Simulink model shows a video surveillance recording on your Texas Instruments™ DSP platform using Embedded Coder™ (for TI's C6000™). The motion detection algorithm is implemented in Simulink and deployed to a TIC6000 signal processor.

This example requires Simulink, Computer Vision System Toolbox™, DSP System Toolbox™ and Embedded Coder™ (for TI's C6000™) to open the model. The example also requires the following hardware TMS320C6416 DSK / EVM board, D.signT DSK-91C111 Ethernet daughter card for C6416 DSK target and Ethernet cable.

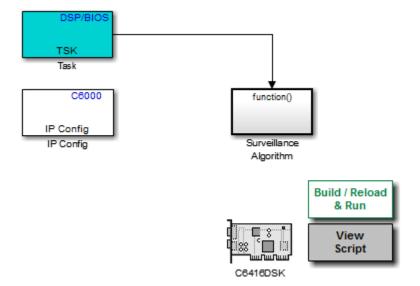
#### **Host Model**

The following figure shows the algorithm which runs on the host side machine and communicates with the target using the TCP/IP Send and Receive blocks. The model communicates with the target at port number 49000. The TCP/IP blocks are configured to send and receive data in blocking mode.

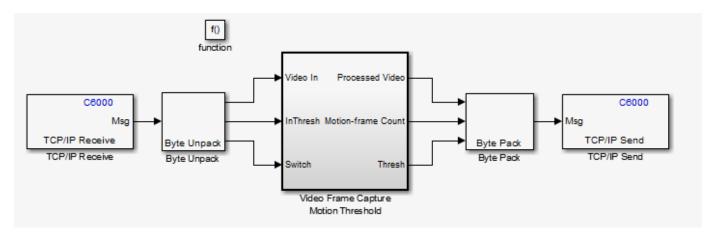


#### Target Model

The following figure shows the target side example model.



The following figure shows the Surveillance Algorithm which is executed on the target C6416. The algorithm is implemented using blocks from Simulink, DSP System Toolbox $^{\text{\tiny TM}}$  and Embedded Coder and is converted to C using Simulink $^{\text{\tiny TM}}$ .



# **Analysis**

While the generated code is running on the target, a host side Simulink model simultaneously sends video frames to the target via TCP/IP protocol. The target receives video frames sent by the host side Simulink model, computes the sum of the absolute value of differences (SAD) between successive video frames, and returns an estimate of motion. When the motion estimate value exceeds a threshold, the target increments a counter and sends the corresponding frame back to the host using the TCP/IP block. You can also adjust the motion threshold using the host side Simulink model.

# **Running the Example**

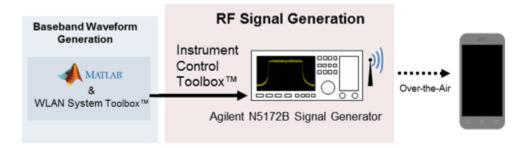
Open the target model and double click "Build Reload & Run" to build, load and run the DSP code. Once the code is generated, it will bring up the host side model. Run the host side model to watch the video surveillance algorithm using motion detection.

# 802.11 OFDM Beacon Frame Generation and Transmission with Test and Measurement Equipment

This example shows how to generate packets containing MAC beacon frames suitable for baseband simulation or over-the-air transmission using WLAN Toolbox™ software, Instrument Control Toolbox<sup>™</sup> software, and Keysight Technologies<sup>™</sup> RF signal generator.

#### Introduction

In this example, you create an IEEE® 802.11™ beacon frame by using WLAN Toolbox software. Then, you download the generated beacon frame to a Keysight Technologies N517B signal generator for over-the-air transmission by using Instrument Control Toolbox software. A beacon frame is a type of management frame that identifies a basic service set (BSS) formed by some 802.11 devices. The access point of a BSS periodically transmits the beacon frame to establish and maintain the network. You can view this beacon frame, transmitted by the RF signal generator, to a wireless network device.



For more information on beacon frame generation using WLAN Toolbox software, refer to "802.11 OFDM Beacon Frame Generation" (WLAN Toolbox).

#### Requirements

To run this example you need:

- Keysight Technologies N5172B signal generator
- Keysight VISA version 17.3
- IVI-C driver for Keysight Technologies N5172B signal generator
- National Instruments<sup>™</sup> IVI® compliance package version 16.0.1.2 or higher
- WLAN Toolbox
- **Instrument Control Toolbox**

#### Create IEEE 802.11 Beacon Frame

A station (STA) periodically transmits beacon packets as specified by the target beacon transmission time (TBTT) in the Beacon Interval field. The beacon interval represents the number of time units (TUs) between TBTTs, where 1 TU represents 1024 microseconds. A beacon interval of 100 TUs results in a 102.4 millisecond time interval between successive beacons. You can generate a beacon frame by using the wlanMACF rame (WLAN Toolbox) function with medium access control (MAC) frame configuration object wlanMACFrameConfig (WLAN Toolbox) and MAC frame-body configuration object wlanMACManagementConfig (WLAN Toolbox).

Specify the network service set identifier (SSID), beacon interval, operating band, and channel number.

```
ssid = "TEST BEACON";
beaconInterval = 100:
band = 5;
chNum = 52;
Create a MAC frame-body configuration object, setting the SSID and Beacon Interval field value.
frameBodyConfig = wlanMACManagementConfig( ...
    BeaconInterval=beaconInterval, ...
    SSID=ssid):
Add the DS Parameter information element (IE) to the frame body by using the addIE (WLAN
Toolbox) object function.
dsElementID = 3;
dsInformation = dec2hex(chNum,2);
frameBodyConfig = frameBodyConfig.addIE(dsElementID,dsInformation);
Create beacon frame configuration object.
beaconFrameConfig = wlanMACFrameConfig(FrameType="Beacon", ...
    ManagementConfig=frameBodyConfig);
Generate beacon frame bits.
[mpduBits,mpduLength] = wlanMACFrame(beaconFrameConfig,OutputFormat="bits");
Calculate center frequency for the specified operating band and channel number.
fc = wlanChannelFrequency(chNum,band);
```

## Create IEEE 802.11 Beacon Packet

Configure a non-HT beacon packet with the relevant PSDU length, specifying a channel bandwidth of 20 MHz, one transmit antenna, and BPSK modulation with a coding rate of 1/2 (corresponding to MCS index 0) by using the wlanNonHTConfig (WLAN Toolbox) object.

```
len = numel(mpduBits)/8;
cfgNonHT = wlanNonHTConfig(PSDULength=len);
```

Generate the beacon packet by using the wlanWaveformGenerator (WLAN Toolbox) function, specifying an idle time in seconds. The idle time is the duration of an idle period after each generated packet.

Get the waveform sampling rate by using the wlanSampleRate (WLAN Toolbox) function.

```
Rs = wlanSampleRate(cfgNonHT);
```

#### **Create RF Signal Generator Object**

Use the Quick-Control RF Signal Generator from Instrument Control Toolbox to download and transmit the baseband waveform txWaveform generated by WLAN Toolbox.

```
rf = rfsiggen();
```

Discover all the available instrument resources you can connect to, using the resources method.

#### resources(rf)

```
ans =
    ' ASRL::COM3
     ASRL::COM4
     TCPIP0::A-N5172B-50283.dhcp.mathworks.com::inst0::INSTR
     TCPIP0::A-N9010A-21026.dhcp.mathworks.com::inst0::INSTR
     TCPIPO::A-N9030A-71181.dhcp.mathworks.com::inst0::INSTR
     TCPIP0::csuesg.dhcp.mathworks.com::inst0::INSTR
```

Discover all the available instrument drivers, using the drivers method.

#### drivers(rf)

```
ans =
    'Driver: AgRfSigGen SCPI
     Supported Models:
     E4428C, E4438C
     Driver: RsRfSigGen_SCPI
     Supported Models:
     SMW200A, SMBV100A, SMU200A, SMJ100A, AMU200A, SMATE200A
     Driver: AgRfSigGen
     Supported Models:
        E4428C, E4438C, N5181A, N5182A, N5183A, N5171B, N5181B, N5172B
        N5182B, N5173B, N5183B, N5166B, N5182N, N5183N, E8241A, E8244A
        E8251A, E8254A, E8247C, E8257C, E8267C, E8257D, E8267D, E8663B
```

The Keysight Technologies N517B signal generator is identified as TCPIP0:: A-N5172B-50283.dhcp.mathworks.com::inst0::INSTR and the driver that supports this instrument is ArRfSigGen.

# **Connect to Signal Generator**

To connect to the instrument, specify the object's Resource and Driver properties. In this example, the resource string for the Keysight Technologies N517B signal generator is TCPIPO:: A-N5172B-50283.dhcp.mathworks.com::inst0::INSTR.The resource string is different for your instrument.

```
rf.Resource = "TCPIP0::A-N5172B-50283.dhcp.mathworks.com::inst0::INSTR";
rf.Driver = "AgRfSigGen";
% Connect to the instrument
connect(rf);
```

#### **Download Waveform**

Download txWaveform to the instrument with sampling rate calculated during beacon packet creation.

```
download(rf,transpose(txWaveform),Rs);
```

## **Transmit Waveform**

Call start to start transmitting the waveform using a specified center frequency for the waveform, output power for the RF signal generation, and number of times to repeat the waveform.

```
centerFrequency = fc;
outputPower = 0;
loopCount = Inf;
start(rf,centerFrequency,outputPower,loopCount);
```

Once the signal generator is transmitting the beacon, you can test by scanning for a wireless network using a Wi-Fi device. You should now see a *TEST\_BEACON* SSID in the list of available networks.

## Clean Up

When you are done, stop the waveform transmission, disconnect the rfsiggen object from the signal generator, and clear it from the workspace.

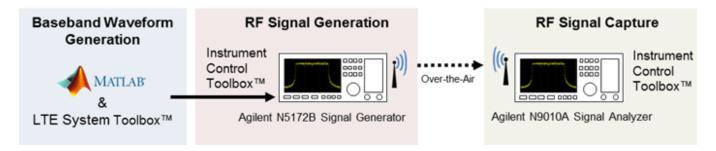
```
stop(rf);
disconnect(rf);
clear rf
```

# LTE Waveform Generation and Transmission Using Quick **Control RF Signal Generator**

This example shows how an over-the-air LTE waveform can be generated and transmitted using LTE Toolbox<sup>™</sup>, Instrument Control Toolbox<sup>™</sup> and Keysight Technologies® RF instruments.

#### Introduction

In this example LTE Toolbox is used to generate a standard baseband IQ downlink test model (E-TM) waveform. Using Instrument Control Toolbox, the generated waveform is downloaded to Keysight Technologies N5172B signal generator for over-the-air transmission. The over-the-air signal is captured using an Keysight Technologies N9010A signal analyzer.



For more information on LTE waveform generation and analysis, refer to "Waveform Generation and Transmission Using LTE Toolbox with Test and Measurement Equipment" (LTE Toolbox).

#### Requirements

To run this example you need:

- Keysight Technologies N5172B signal generator
- · Keysight Technologies N9010A signal analyzer
- Keysight VISA version 17.3
- IVI-C driver for Keysight Technologies N5172B signal generator
- National Instruments<sup>™</sup> IVI® compliance package version 16.0.1.2 or higher
- LTE Toolbox
- Instrument Control Toolbox

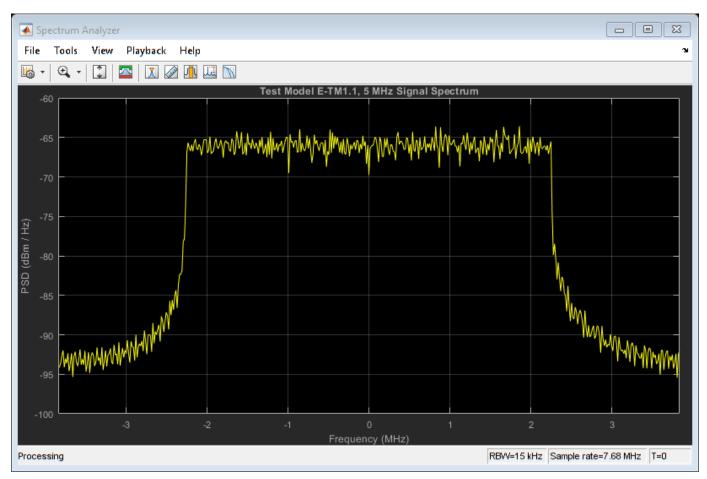
# Generate a Baseband Waveform Using the LTE Toolbox

Generate test model waveform using lteTestModelTool (LTE Toolbox), this returns an E-TM timedomain waveform, waveform, a 2-D numeric array of resource elements for a number of subframes across a single antenna port, tmgrid, and a scalar structure, tmconfig, containing information about the OFDM modulated waveform.

```
config = lteTestModel('1.1', '5MHz'); % Test Model number 1.1, 5MHz bandwidth
config.TotSubframes = 100;
                                       % Generate 100 subframes
[waveform, tmgrid, tmconfig] = lteTestModelTool(config);
```

The frequency spectrum of the generated time domain waveform, waveform, can be viewed using the dsp.SpectrumAnalyzer (DSP System Toolbox). As expected, the 5MHz signal bandwidth is clearly visible at baseband.

```
% Calculate the spectral content in the LTE signal
spectrumPlotTx = dsp.SpectrumAnalyzer;
spectrumPlotTx.SampleRate = tmconfig.SamplingRate;
spectrumPlotTx.SpectrumType = 'Power density';
spectrumPlotTx.PowerUnits = 'dBm';
spectrumPlotTx.RBWSource = 'Property';
spectrumPlotTx.RBW = 15e3;
spectrumPlotTx.FrequencySpan = 'Span and center frequency';
spectrumPlotTx.Span = 7.68e6;
spectrumPlotTx.CenterFrequency = 0;
spectrumPlotTx.Window = 'Rectangular';
spectrumPlotTx.SpectralAverages = 10;
spectrumPlotTx.YLimits = [-100 -60];
spectrumPlotTx.YLabel = 'PSD';
spectrumPlotTx.Title = 'Test Model E-TM1.1, 5 MHz Signal Spectrum';
spectrumPlotTx.ShowLegend = false;
spectrumPlotTx(waveform);
```



## Generate an Over-the-Air Signal using Quick-Control RF Signal Generator

Quick-Control RF Signal Generator is used to download and transmit the test model waveform created by the LTE Toolbox, waveform, using the Agilent Technologies N5172B signal generator. This creates an RF LTE signal with a center frequency of 1GHz. Note 1GHz was selected as an example frequency and is not intended to be a recognized LTE channel.

Create an RF Signal Generator object

```
rf = rfsiggen();
```

Discover all the available instrument resources you can connect to, using the resources method.

rf.resources

```
ans =
    ' ASRL1::INSTR
      ASRL3::INSTR
      ASRL::COM1
      ASRL::COM3
     TCPIP0::172.28.21.217::inst0::INSTR
```

Discover all the available instrument drivers, using drivers method.

rf.drivers

```
ans =
    'Driver: AgRfSigGen SCPI
     Supported Models:
     E4428C, E4438C
     Driver: RsRfSigGen SCPI
     Supported Models:
     SMW200A, SMBV100A, SMU200A, SMJ100A, AMU200A, SMATE200A
     Driver: AgRfSigGen
     Supported Models:
        E4428C, E4438C, N5181A, N5182A, N5183A, N5171B, N5181B, N5172B
        N5182B, N5173B, N5183B, E8241A, E8244A, E8251A, E8254A, E8247C'
```

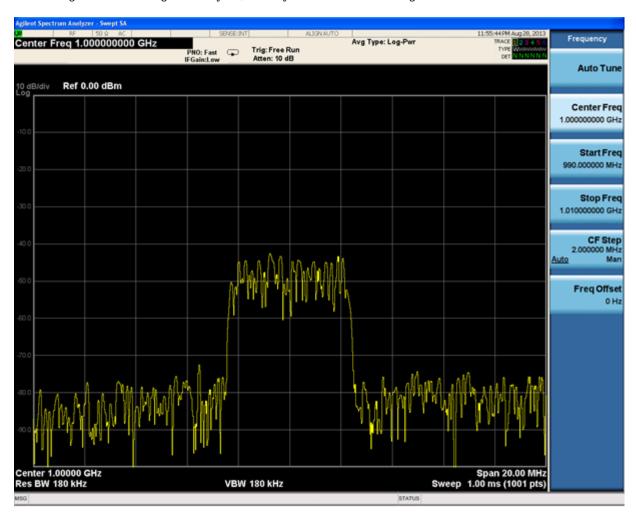
Set Resource and Driver properties before connecting to the object. The IP address of Keysight Technologies N5172B signal generator is 172.28.21.217, hence the resource specified will be 'TCPIP0::172.28.21.217::inst0::INSTR'

```
rf.Resource = 'TCPIP0::172.28.21.217::inst0::INSTR';
rf.Driver = 'AgRfSigGen';
% Connect to the instrument
connect(rf);
Download the waveform, waveform, to the instrument
download(rf, transpose(waveform), tmconfig.SamplingRate);
```

Call start to start transmitting waveform using specified centerFrequency, outputPower and loopCount. Loop count represents the number of times the waveform should be repeated.

```
centerFrequency = 1e9;
outputPower = 0;
loopCount = Inf;
start(rf, centerFrequency, outputPower, loopCount);
```

The frequency spectrum of the RF signal transmitted by the signal generator can be viewed using a spectrum analyzer tuned to the 1GHz center frequency. The screen capture below, from an Agilent Technologies N9010A signal analyzer, clearly shows the 5MHz signal bandwidth.



# Clean up

When you have finished transmitting data, stop the waveform output, disconnect the rfsiggen object from the signal generator, and remove it from the workspace.

```
stop(rf);
disconnect(rf);
clear rf
```

# Creating and Downloading an IQ Waveform to a RF Signal Generator

This example shows how to use the Quick-Control RF Signal Generator to generate and transmit RF waveforms.

#### Introduction

In this example we will create an IQ waveform and transmit this waveform using the Quick-Control RF Signal Generator.

# Requirements

To run this example you need:

- Keysight Technologies® N5172B signal generator
- Keysight VISA version 17.3
- IVI-C driver for Keysight Technologies N5172B signal generator
- National Instruments<sup>™</sup> IVI® compliance package version 16.0.1.2 or higher

#### **Create IQ waveform**

We will create an IQ waveform that consists of two sinusoid signals with real and imaginary values.

When generating signals for the RF Signal Generator ensure that the waveform is a continuous row vector.

```
% Configure parameters for waveform.
% Number of points in the waveform
points = 1000;
% Determines the frequency offset from the carrier
cycles = 101;
phaseInc = 2*pi*cycles/points;
phase = phaseInc * (0:points-1);
% Create an IQ waveform
Iwave = cos(phase);
Qwave = sin(phase);
IQData = Iwave+1i*Qwave;
IQData = IQData(:)';
```

# Create an RF Signal Generator Object

```
rf = rfsiggen();
```

Discover all the available instrument resources you can connect to, using the resources method.

```
rf.resources
```

```
ans =
    ' ASRL1::INSTR
```

```
ASRL3::INSTR
ASRL::COM1
ASRL::COM3
PXI0::MEMACC
TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR
TCPIP0::A-N5172B-50283.dhcp.mathworks.com::inst0::INSTR
TCPIP0::A-N9010A-21026.dhcp.mathworks.com::inst0::INSTR
```

Discover all the available instrument drivers, using drivers method.

#### rf.drivers

```
ans =

'Driver: AgRfSigGen_SCPI
   Supported Models:
   E4428C, E4438C

Driver: RsRfSigGen_SCPI
   Supported Models:
   SMW200A, SMBV100A, SMU200A, SMJ100A, AMU200A, SMATE200A

Driver: AgRfSigGen
   Supported Models:
        E4428C, E4438C, N5181A, N5182A, N5183A, N5171B, N5181B, N5172B
        N5182B, N5173B, N5183B, E8241A, E8244A, E8251A, E8254A, E8247C

Driver: nisRFSigGen
   Supported Models:'
```

#### **Connect to Signal Generator**

Set Resource and Driver property before connecting to the object.

```
rf.Resource = 'TCPIP0::A-N5172B-50283.dhcp.mathworks.com::inst0::INSTR';
rf.Driver = 'AgRfSigGen';
% Connect to the instrument
connect(rf);
```

#### Download the Waveform

Download the waveform, IQData to the instrument with sampling rate of 10MHz.

```
samplingRate = 10e6;
download(rf, IQData, samplingRate);
```

#### **Transmit the Waveform**

Transmit the downloaded waveform with center frequency of 1GHz and output power of 0dBm. Note these values are selected as reference values and is not intended to be recognized as standard values for transmitting any RF signals. Loop count represents the number of times the waveform should be repeated.

```
centerFrequency = 1e9;
outputPower = 0;
```

```
loopCount = Inf;
start(rf, centerFrequency, outputPower, loopCount);
```

# **Stop Transmitting the Waveform**

Once you have finished transmitting the signal, stop the transmission.

```
stop(rf);
```

# Clean Up

Close the connection of the signal generator and remove it from the workspace.

```
disconnect(rf);
delete(rf);
clear rf
```

# Fetch Spectrum Through Ocean Optics Spectrometer Using MATLAB Instrument Driver

This example shows how to acquire the spectrum of a fluorescent light source from an Ocean Optics Spectrometer.

#### Introduction

Instrument Control Toolbox $^{\text{m}}$  supports communication with instruments through high-level drivers. In this example you can acquire spectrum from an Ocean Optics Spectrometer using the MATLAB Instrument Driver.

#### Requirements

This example requires the following:

- A 64-bit Microsoft® Windows®
- Ocean Optics spectrometer USB2000

# Create MATLAB Instrument OmniDriver object.

spectrometerObj = icdevice('OceanOptics\_OmniDriver.mdd');

Driver Information
DriverType: MATLAB generic

DriverName: OceanOptics\_OmniDriver.mdd

DriverVersion: 1.0

Communication State

Status: open

#### Set parameters for spectrum acquisition.

```
% integration time for sensor.
integrationTime = 50000;
% Spectrometer index to use (first spectrometer by default).
spectrometerIndex = 0;
% Channel index to use (first channel by default).
channelIndex = 0;
% Enable flag.
enable = 1;
```

## Identify the spectrometer connected.

```
% Get number of spectrometers connected.
numOfSpectrometers = invoke(spectrometerObj, 'getNumberOfSpectrometersFound');
disp(['Found ' num2str(num0fSpectrometers) ' Ocean Optics spectrometer(s).'])
% Get spectrometer name.
spectrometerName = invoke(spectrometerObj, 'getName', spectrometerIndex);
% Get spectrometer serial number.
spectrometerSerialNumber = invoke(spectrometerObj, 'getSerialNumber', spectrometerIndex);
disp(['Model Name : ' spectrometerName])
disp(['Model S/N : ' spectrometerSerialNumber])
Found 1 Ocean Optics spectrometer(s).
Model Name : USB2000+
Model S/N : USB2+H11505
```

# Set the parameters for spectrum acquisition.

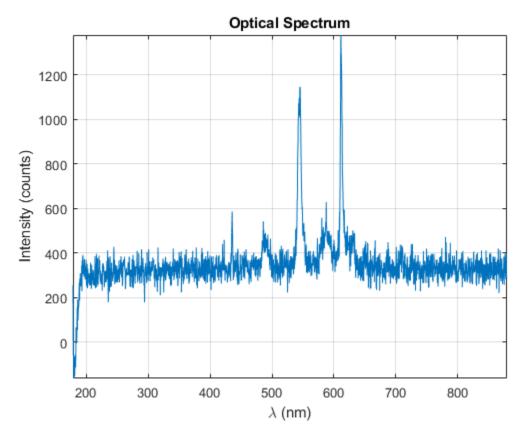
```
% Set integration time.
invoke(spectrometerObj, 'setIntegrationTime', spectrometerIndex, channelIndex, integrationTime);
% Enable correct for detector non-linearity.
invoke(spectrometerObj, 'setCorrectForDetectorNonlinearity', spectrometerIndex, channelIndex, en
% Enable correct for electrical dark.
invoke(spectrometerObj, 'setCorrectForElectricalDark', spectrometerIndex, channelIndex, enable);
```

#### Acquire the spectrum.

```
wavelengths = invoke(spectrometerObj, 'getWavelengths', spectrometerIndex, channelIndex);
% Get the wavelengths of the first spectrometer and save them in a double
% arrav.
spectralData = invoke(spectrometerObj, 'getSpectrum', spectrometerIndex);
```

#### Plot the waveform.

```
plot(wavelengths, spectralData);
title('Optical Spectrum');
ylabel('Intensity (counts)');
xlabel('\lambda (nm)');
grid on
axis tight
```



# Clean up.

disconnect(spectrometerObj);
delete (spectrometerObj);

# Read Streaming Data from Arduino Using Serial Port Communication

This example shows how to enable callbacks to read streaming ASCII terminated data from an Arduino® Due using the serialport interface.

#### Load Program on the Arduino

Plug in an Arduino Due to your computer.

Load the following program on the Arduino Due using the Arduino IDE. This program writes out continuous points of a sine wave, followed by the "Carriage Return" and "Linefeed" terminators.

```
SineWavePoints
Write sine wave points to the serial port, followed by the Carriage Return and LineFeed termina
*/
int i = 0;
// The setup routine runs once when you press reset:
void setup() {
 // Initialize serial communication at 9600 bits per second:
 Serial.begin(9600);
// The loop routine runs over and over again forever:
void loop() {
 // Write the sinewave points, followed by the terminator "Carriage Return" and "Linefeed".
 Serial.print(sin(i*50.0/360.0));
 Serial.write(13);
 Serial.write(10);
 i += 1;
```

#### **Establish a Connection to the Arduino**

Create a serialport instance to connect to your Arduino Due.

Find the serial port that the Arduino is connected to. You can identify the port from the Arduino IDE.

```
serialportlist("available")'
ans = 3 \times 1 string
    "COM1"
    "COM3"
    "COM13"
```

Connect to the Arduino Due by creating a serialport object using the port and baud rate specified in the Arduino code.

```
arduinoObj = serialport("COM13",9600)
arduinoObi =
Serialport with properties
```

```
Port: "COM13"
BaudRate: 9600
NumBytesAvailable: 0
NumBytesWritten: 0
Show all properties
```

# Prepare the serialport Object to Start Streaming Data

Configure the serialport object by clearing old data and configuring its properties.

Set the Terminator property to match the terminator that you specified in the Arduino code.

```
configureTerminator(arduino0bj, "CR/LF");
```

Flush the serialport object to remove any old data.

```
flush(arduinoObj);
```

Prepare the UserData property to store the Arduino data. The Data field of the struct saves the sine wave value and the Count field saves the x-axis value of the sine wave.

Create a callback function readSineWaveData that reads the first 1000 ASCII terminated sine wave data points and plots the result.

Set the BytesAvailableFcnMode property to "terminator" and the BytesAvailableFcn property to @readSineWaveData. The callback function readSineWaveData is triggered when a new sine wave data (with the terminator) is available to be read from the Arduino.

configureCallback(arduinoObj,"terminator",@readSineWaveData);

The callback function opens the MATLAB® figure window with a plot of the first 1000 sine wave data points.

# Read Waveform from Tektronix TDS 1002 Scope Using SCPI Commands

This example shows how to configure a Tektronix® TDS 1002 scope and read a waveform from the scope using the scope specific SCPI commands.

# **Connect to the Scope**

Connect a Tektronix TDS 1002 scope to your computer. On the scope, press the Utility button, then select Options followed by RS232 Setup. Set the following configuration:

- EOL string to "CR/LF"
- Baud to 9600
- · Flow control to None
- · Parity to None

Connect to the scope using the serialport function. Specify the port that your scope is connected to on your computer. In this example, the port is "COM1". Set the BaudRate to 9600 to match what you set on the scope.

# **Configure the Terminator**

Set the Terminator property for the serialport object using configureTerminator. The Terminator property matches the EOL string of the scope.

```
configureTerminator(s,"CR/LF")
terminator = s.Terminator

terminator = 1×1 string
"CR/LF"
```

Query the scope with the new Terminator value using the SCPI Command "\*IDN?" in writeread. If your scope is connected and Terminator is configured properly, then this returns a string that uniquely identifies the scope.

```
scopeID = writeread(s,"*IDN?")
scopeID = 1×1 string
"TEKTRONIX,TDS 1002,0,CF:91.1CT FV:v2.12 TDS2CM:CMV:v1.04"
```

# **Configure the Channel**

Configure Channel 1 of the scope using writeline. Write the SCPI commands as ASCII terminated string data to the serialport object. Then, confirm that Channel 1 is set as the source using writeread.

```
writeline(s,"HEADER OFF")
writeline(s,"DATA:SOURCE CH1")
scopeSource = writeread(s,"DATA:SOURCE?")
scopeSource = 1×1 string
"CH1"
```

Set the waveform data encoding method to Most Significant Bit (MSB) transferred first, using writeline. Confirm the encoding method using writeread.

```
writeline(s, "DATA: ENCDG RIBINARY");
scopeEncodingMethod = writeread(s,"DATA:ENCDG?")
scopeEncodingMethod = 1 \times 1 string
"RIB"
```

#### **Get Waveform Information**

Get the waveform transmission and formatting settings.

scopeWaveformPreamble = writeread(s,"WFMpre?")

```
scopeWaveformPreamble = 1 \times 1 string
"1;8;BIN;RI;MSB;2500;"Ch1, DC coupling, 2.0E0 V/div, 5.0E-4 s/div, 2500 points, Sample mode";Y;2
Get the number of points in the waveform.
scopeNumPoints = writeread(s,"WFMpre:NR Pt?")
```

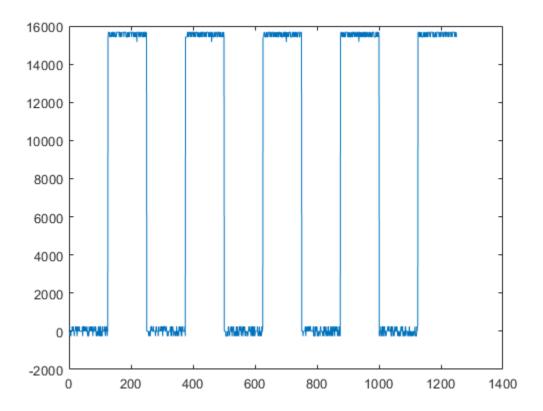
#### Read and Plot the Waveform

scopeNumPoints = 1×1 string

"2500"

Get the waveform data from the scope to MATLAB® using the "CURVE?" command and read the waveform back into MATLAB using readbinblock.

```
writeline(s,"CURVE?")
scopeWaveform = readbinblock(s,"int16");
Plot the waveform.
plot(scopeWaveform)
```



# **Clear the Connection**

When you are finished working with the scope, clear the serialport object.

clear s

# Read Voltage Through NI-DMM MATLAB Instrument Driver in **Simulation Mode**

This example shows how to read voltage from a National Instruments® NI-DMM driver in the simulation mode.

# Requirements

This example requires a Microsoft® Windows® system and NI-DMM package 3.06 or higher. Make sure the Measurement & Automation Explorer recognizes the NI-DMM device before you use this example.

# **Verify NI-DMM Installation**

Use the instrhwinfo command to check if the NI-DMM software package is installed correctly. If installed correctly, NI-DMM is listed as one of the modules installed on the Windows machine. This example uses libraries installed with it.

```
driversInfo = instrhwinfo ('ivi');
disp(driversInfo.Modules');
```

```
{'nidcpower'
{'nidmm'
{'niFgen'
{'nisACPwr'
{'niScope'
{'nisCounter'
{'nisDCPwr'
{'nisDigitizer'
{'nisDmm'
{'nisDownconverter'}
{'nisFGen'
{'nisPwrMeter'
{'nisRFSigGen'
{'nisScope'
{'nisSpecAn'
{'nisSwtch'
{'nisUpconverter'
{'niSwitch'
```

#### Create a MATLAB Instrument Object

Use the icdevice function to create an instrument object from the MDD that was part of the NI-DMM support package, and establish a connection to the DMM using that object.

The icdevice function takes two or more input arguments: the MDD file name, the resource name for the DMM, and optional device-specific parameters.

You can get the resource name for the DMM from NI Measurement and Automation Explorer. For example: A resource name of PXI1Slot6 in NI MAX would be DAO::PXI1Slot6 and Device 1 would be DAO::Dev1. You can remove the optionstring argument and the corresponding string parameter if you have the actual hardware.

You can establish a connection to the DMM using the connect command.

```
ictObj = icdevice('nidmm.mdd', 'DAQ::Dev1', 'optionstring','simulate=true');
connect(ict0bj);
disp(ict0bj);
   Instrument Device Object Using Driver: niDMM
   Instrument Information
      Type:
                          IVIInstrument
     Manufacturer:
                         National Instruments Corp.
     Model:
                         National Instruments Digital Multimeters
   Driver Information
     DriverType:
                         MATLAB IVI
     DriverName:
                         niDMM
     DriverVersion:
                         1.0
   Communication State
      Status:
                          open
```

# Configure the DMM

For the purpose of this example, the DMM is configured as

```
* Measurement Function: DC Voltage* Range: 10V* Resolution: 5.5 Digits
```

Use the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor midedit to view other properties and functions that allow you to configure a device. The tool shows all the properties and functions that the NI-DMM software package supports.

The Measurement Function value for DC Voltage is 1. Measurement Function will have different values for other measurement types such as AC Voltage, DC Current, etc.

```
measurementFunction = 1;
range = 10;
resolution = 5.5;

configuration = get(ictObj, 'configuration');
invoke(configuration, 'configuremeasurementdigits', measurementFunction, range, resolution);
```

#### Read and Display the Voltage

Once you configure the DMM with the required settings, use an appropriate function call to read the voltage.

```
% Configure DMM to calculate the timeout automatically
AutoTimeLimit = -1;
acquisition = get(ictObj, 'acquisition');
volts = invoke(acquisition, 'read', AutoTimeLimit);
voltageDisplay = sprintf('Voltage : %d v', volts);
disp(voltageDisplay);
```

```
Voltage : 5 v
```

# **Clear the Connection**

When you are finished working with the instrument, disconnect from and delete the MATLAB Instrument Object.

```
disconnect(ict0bj);
delete(ict0bj);
clear ictObj;
```

# Using a NI Switch Module and a NI DMM to Perform Resistance Measurements

A switch module consists of an array of controllable relays/switches that can be arranged and addressed to provide various connection configurations. When used with an appropriate terminal block, an NI switch module can be configured to use a certain switch topology, such as multiplexer or matrix topology with one- or multi-wire switching modes. One common application is to combine one or more measuring instruments with a switch module to perform automated measurements on a number of devices or circuit test-points. This example uses an NI switch module together with an NI digital multimeter (DMM) to measure the resistance of 5 resistive devices in two-wire resistance measurement mode.

# **Hardware Setup**

Note: The Switch module and DMM mentioned below are configured as simulated devices in NI-MAX for the purpose of publishing this example.

- NI 2530 switch module, used with a matrix terminal block accessory, and configured in NI MAX to use a 2-wire 4x16 matrix topology.
- NI 4065 digital multimeter (DMM) connected to switch matrix row 'r0'.
- Five resistors connected to switch matrix columns 'c0' to 'c4'.

# Requirements

To run this example the following hardware support packages need to be installed:

- NI-Switch support package
- · NI-DMM support package

#### **Initialize Connection to NI Switch Module**

To connect to the switch module, use the pre-built MATLAB® instrument driver 'niswitch.mdd' as installed with the NI-SWITCH support package, and as the resource name use the device name from NI MAX (such as 'PXI1Slot3'). MATLAB will use the NI-SWITCH driver to communicate with the instrument. By defaut, NI switch modules use the topology configuration specified in NI MAX (vendor-provided utility).

```
mySwitch = icdevice('niswitch.mdd', 'PXI1Slot3');
connect(mySwitch);
```

#### **Initialize Connection to NI Digital Multimeter**

To connect to the DMM instrument, use the pre-built MATLAB instrument driver 'nidmm.mdd' as installed with the NI-DMM support package. For the resource name, use the device name from NI MAX (such as 'Dev1'). MATLAB will use the NI-DMM driver to communicate with the instrument.

```
myDMM = icdevice('nidmm.mdd', 'Dev1');
connect(myDMM);
```

# **Define Constants used by the Driver Functions**

NI-Switch and NI-DMM drivers use predefined constants as function arguments for configuring specific settings and operations. Their values are listed in the corresponding driver help files. These constants are defined in C header files included with the NI-SWITCH and NI-DMM drivers:

- 'niswitch.h' and 'IviSwtch.h' in 'C:\Program Files\IVI Foundation\IVI\Include'
- 'nidmm.h' and 'IviDmm.h' in 'C:\Program Files\IVI Foundation\IVI\Include'

```
const.NISWITCH VAL BREAK BEFORE MAKE = 1;
const.NISWITCH VAL SOFTWARE TRIG = 3;
const.NISWITCH VAL NONE = 0;
const.NIDMM VAL 2 WIRE RES = 5;
const.NIDMM VAL SOFTWARE TRIG = 3;
const.NIDMM VAL AUTO RANGE ON = -1;
const.NIDMM_VAL_TIME_LIMIT_AUT0 = -1;
```

#### **Reset Switch**

Reset switch to default connection state.

```
invoke(mySwitch.Utility, 'Reset');
```

## **Configure Digital Multimeter**

Configure DMM measurement type to be a two-wire resistance measurement. Configure DMM to perform an auto-range operation before each measurement, and specify the measurement resolution.

```
invoke(myDMM.ConfigurationMeasurementOptions, 'ConfigurePowerLineFrequency', 60);
MeasurementFunction = const.NIDMM VAL 2 WIRE RES;
Range = const.NIDMM VAL AUTO RANGE ON;
ResolutionDigits = 5.5;
invoke(myDMM.Configuration, 'ConfigureMeasurementDigits', MeasurementFunction, Range, Resolution
```

## Make a Switch Connection and Perform a Single Resistance Measurement

Connect a path between a device under test (DUT) at switch matrix column 'c0' and measuring instrument, in this case a DMM at row 'r0'.

```
MaximumTimeMs = 5000;
invoke(mySwitch.Route, 'WaitForDebounce', MaximumTimeMs);
After switch has settled, proceed with measurement.
MaximumTime = const.NIDMM VAL TIME LIMIT AUTO;
reading = invoke(myDMM.Acquisition, 'Read', MaximumTime);
% Check if DMM reading was over-range
IsOverRange = invoke(myDMM.Acquisition, 'IsOverRange', reading);
disp(reading);
disp(Is0verRange);
   5.0002e+07
     0
```

Disconnect the path between terminals 'r0' and 'c0'.

invoke(mySwitch.Route, 'Connect', 'r0', 'c0');

```
invoke(mySwitch.Route, 'disconnect', 'r0', 'c0');
```

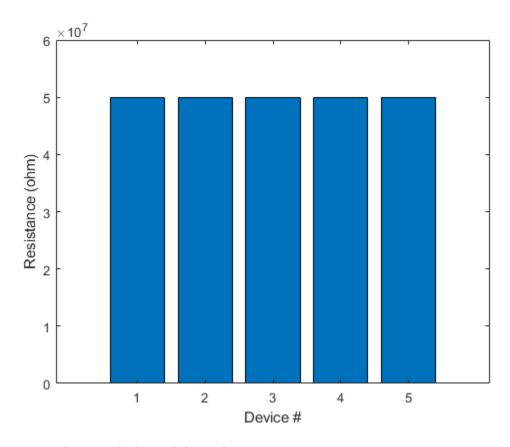
#### **Software-Controlled Switch Scanning Operation**

A switch module can be configured to switch between different connection paths by scanning, i.e. sequentially switching and advancing through a list of connections as defined in a scan list. The

connection switching during scanning can be synchronized with a measuring instrument by hardware-triggering (hardware-timed handshaking), or can be software-timed by a software trigger command.

To configure a scanning operation, specify a list of connections as a scan list string. Here, the switch will cycle through connections between the measuring instrument (DMM) at matrix row 'r0' and devices under test at matrix columns 'c0' to 'c4'. For details on the scan list syntax refer to the NI-SWITCH driver documentation.

```
NrConnections = 5;
scanList = 'c0:4->r0;';
scanMode = const.NISWITCH VAL BREAK BEFORE MAKE;
invoke(mySwitch.Scan, 'configureScanList', scanList, scanMode);
% Set scan trigger input to software -- switching to the next connection in
% the scan list will be done as a result of a SendSoftwareTrigger command.
scanDelay = 0;
triggerInput = const.NISWITCH VAL SOFTWARE TRIG;
scanAdvancedOutput = const.NISWITCH VAL NONE;
invoke(mySwitch.Scan, 'ConfigureScanTrigger', scanDelay, triggerInput, scanAdvancedOutput);
% Configure switch to cycle only once through the scan list by disabling
% the continuous scan mode.
invoke(mySwitch.Scan, 'SetContinuousScan', 0);
Initiate switch scan operation using software triggering.
invoke(mySwitch.Scan, 'InitiateScan');
for ii=1:NrConnections
    % Perform DMM measurement
    readings(ii) = invoke(myDMM.Acquisition, 'Read', const.NIDMM VAL TIME LIMIT AUTO);
   % Check if DMM reading is over-range
   IsOverRange = invoke(myDMM.Acquisition, 'IsOverRange', readings(ii));
    if IsOverRange
        fprintf('Measurement %d is over range.\n', ii);
    % Send trigger command to switch to advance to next connection
    invoke(mySwitch.Scan, 'SendSoftwareTrigger');
end
Display measurement results.
figure;
bar(readings);
ylabel('Resistance (ohm)');
xlabel('Device #');
set(gca, 'XTick', [1:NrConnections]);
```



# **Disconnect from Switch Module and DMM Instrument**

```
disconnect(mySwitch);
delete(mySwitch);
disconnect(myDMM);
delete(myDMM);
```

# **Generate DC Voltage Using NI-DCPOWER MATLAB Instrument Driver in Simulation Mode**

This example shows how to generate DC voltage from a National Instruments® NI-DCPOWER driver in the simulation mode.

#### Requirements

This example requires a Microsoft® Windows® system and NI-DCPOWER package 1.7 or higher.

## **Verify NI-DCPOWER Installation**

Use the instrhwinfo command to check if the NI-DCPOWER software package is installed correctly. If installed correctly, NI-DCPOWER is listed as one of the modules installed on the Windows machine. This example uses libraries installed with it.

```
driversInfo = instrhwinfo ('ivi');
disp(driversInfo.Modules');
```

```
{'nidcpower'
{'nidmm'
{'niFgen'
{'nisACPwr'
{'niScope'
{'nisCounter'
{'nisDCPwr'
{'nisDigitizer'
{'nisDmm'
{'nisDownconverter'}
{'nisFGen'
{'nisPwrMeter'
{'nisRFSigGen'
{'nisScope'
{'nisSpecAn'
{'nisSwtch'
{'nisUpconverter'
{'niSwitch'
```

## **Create a MATLAB Instrument Object**

Use the icdevice function to create an instrument object from the MDD which was part of the NI-DCPOWER support package, and establish a connection to the DCPOWER using that object.

The icdevice function takes two or more input arguments: the MDD file name, the resource name for the DCPOWER, and optional device-specific parameters.

You can get the resource name for the DCPOWER from NI Measurement and Automation Explorer. For example: A resource name of PXI1Slot1 in NI MAX would be DAQ::PXI1Slot1 and Device 1 would be DAQ::Dev1. You can remove the optionstring argument and the corresponding string parameter if you have the actual hardware.

You can establish a connection to the DCPOWER using the connect command.

```
ictObj = icdevice('nidcpower.mdd', 'DAQ::PXIISlot1', 'optionstring','simulate=true');
connect(ict0bj);
disp(ict0bj);
   Instrument Device Object Using Driver: niDCPower
   Instrument Information
      Type:
                          IVIInstrument
     Manufacturer:
                         National Instruments Corp.
     Model:
                         National Instruments DC Power Supplies
   Driver Information
                         MATLAB IVI
     DriverType:
      DriverName:
                         niDCPower
     DriverVersion:
                          1.0
   Communication State
      Status:
                          open
```

#### Configure the DCPOWER

For the purpose of this example, the DCPOWER is configured as

```
* Channel: 0
* Source Mode: Single Point
* Output Function: DC Voltage
* Voltage Level: 6V
```

% Initiate the device to start generation

control = get(ict0bj, 'control'); invoke(control, 'initiate');

Use the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor midedit to view other properties and functions that allow you to configure a device. The tool shows all the properties and functions that the NI-DCPOWER software package supports.

```
channel = '0';
src = get(ict0bj, 'source');
% Configure the Source mode to Single Point
sourceMode = 1020;
invoke(src, 'configuresourcemode', sourceMode);
% Set the output function to DC Voltage
outputFunction = 1006;
invoke(src, 'configureoutputfunction', channel, outputFunction);
srcDCVoltage = get(ict0bj, 'sourcedcvoltage');
% Configure the Voltage level, in volts, for the output channel generation
voltageLevel = 6;
invoke(srcDCVoltage, 'configurevoltagelevel', channel, voltageLevel);
Start Generation and Acquisition
```

```
% Measure voltage
measurementType = 1;
measure = get(ict0bj, 'measure');
volts = invoke(measure, 'measure', channel, measurementType);
Display the Read Voltage
voltageDisplay = sprintf('Voltage : %d v', volts);
disp(voltageDisplay);
Voltage : 6 v
```

## **Clear the Connection**

Disconnect from and delete the MATLAB Instrument Object.

```
disconnect(ict0bj);
delete(ict0bj);
clear ictObj;
```

# Send and Receive Multicast Data Packets Using the User **Datagram Protocol**

This example shows how to send and receive multicast data using udpport.

#### **Create udpport Instances**

Create a udpport instance to send the multicast data.

```
uSender = udpport()
uSender =
 UDPPort with properties:
     IPAddressVersion: "IPV4"
            LocalHost: "0.0.0.0"
            LocalPort: 62055
   NumBytesAvailable: 0
 Show all properties, functions
```

Create several udpport instances to receive this multicast data. Ensure that all these udpport instances bind to the same LocalPort with EnablePortSharing set to true. In this example, the udpport instances uReceiver1 and uReceiver2 are bound to LocalPort 3030. uReceiver1 is a datagram type udpport instance and uReceiver2 is a byte type udpport instance.

```
uReceiver1 = udpport("datagram", "LocalPort", 3030, "EnablePortSharing", true)
uReceiver1 =
 UDPPort with properties:
         IPAddressVersion: "IPV4"
                LocalHost: "0.0.0.0"
                LocalPort: 3030
   NumDatagramsAvailable: 0
 Show all properties, functions
uReceiver2 = udpport("LocalPort", 3030, "EnablePortSharing", true)
uReceiver2 =
 UDPPort with properties:
     IPAddressVersion: "IPV4"
           LocalHost: "0.0.0.0"
            LocalPort: 3030
   NumBytesAvailable: 0
 Show all properties, functions
```

You can also create the sender and receivers on different MATLAB® instances to communicate between multiple MATLAB instances on the same computer.

# **Prepare the Multicast Receivers**

Set multicast on for the udpport multicast receivers using the configureMulticast function. Subscribe to the multicast address group "226.0.0.1". When the uSender sends data to this multicast address group, every udpport instance subscribed to this address receives the multicast data.

```
configureMulticast(uReceiver1, "226.0.0.1");
configureMulticast(uReceiver2, "226.0.0.1");
```

This is reflected in the MulticastGroup and EnableMulticast properties.

```
ans =
"226.0.0.1"

uReceiver1.EnableMulticast
ans = logical
    1

uReceiver2.MulticastGroup
```

uReceiver1.MulticastGroup

```
ans =
```

uReceiver2.EnableMulticast

```
ans = logical
```

"226.0.0.1"

#### **Send Multicast Data**

The uSender instance sends "hello" as a string data type to the multicast address group "226.0.0.1" and the port 3030.

```
write(uSender, "hello", "string", "226.0.0.1", 3030);
```

#### **Receive Multicast Data**

Verify that the multicast receivers uReceiver1 and uReceiver2 get the data. Read this data in MATLAB.

Ensure that the receivers received the multicast packets. uReceiver1 being a datagram type udpport instance receives the data as a datagram. uReceiver2 being a byte type udpport instance receives the data as raw bytes.

```
uReceiver1Count = uReceiver1.NumDatagramsAvailable
uReceiver1Count = 1
uReceiver2Count = uReceiver2.NumBytesAvailable
uReceiver2Count = 5
```

Read the data from the first receiver as a string, specifying the number of datagrams to read.

```
data1 = read(uReceiver1, uReceiver1Count, "string");
```

```
data1 is a udpport.datagram.Datagram object. View the data received
```

#### data1.Data

```
ans =
"hello"
```

Read the data from the second receiver as a string, specifying the number of bytes of data to read.

```
data2 = read(uReceiver2,uReceiver2Count,"string")
data2 =
"hello"
```

# **Unsubscribe and Clear**

Unsubscribe from the multicast address group.

```
configureMulticast(uReceiver1, "off");
configureMulticast(uReceiver2, "off");
```

Clear the udpport instances.

```
clear uReceiver1
clear uReceiver2
clear uSender
```

# Communicate Between Two MATLAB Sessions Using User Datagram Protocol

This example shows how to send data over the User Datagram Protcol (UDP) between two MATLAB® sessions on the same computer using the udpport function.

#### First MATLAB session

#### **Create udpport Instance**

Create a udpport instance and bind to port 2020.

# **Prepare Callback Function**

Configure the callback function to read data received using the configureCallback function. This callback function will trigger whenever a terminator is received. The sendAcknowledgement callback function sends an acknowledgement string back to the udpport instance in the second MATLAB session when it receives data.

Set the Terminator property to "CR/LF", to match that of the other udpport instance.

```
configureTerminator(uFirst, "CR/LF");
```

The Terminator property should now be set to "CR/LF".

```
uFirst.Terminator
```

```
ans = "CR/LF"
```

Set up the callback function sendAcknowledgement to trigger when the assigned terminator is received.

```
configureCallback(uFirst, "terminator",@sendAcknowledgement);
```

The sendAcknowledgement.m callback function is given below.

```
function sendAcknowledgement(u, ~)
% Read the data received from the other udpport instance. readline removes
% the terminator from the data read.
data = readline(u);
% Prepare the acknowledgement string.
data = "COMMAND RECEIVED - """ + data + """. SENDING ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.";
```

```
% Send the acknowledgement string, followed by the Terminator "CR/LF", to the
st udpport instance bound to port 3030 in the first MATLAB instance.
writeline(u, data, "127.0.0.1", 3030);
end
```

The BytesAvailableFcn property should be now set to the callback function, and the BytesAvailableFcnMode set to "terminator".

```
uFirst.BytesAvailableFcn
```

```
ans = function handle with value:
   @sendAcknowledgement
```

#### uFirst.BytesAvailableFcnMode

```
"terminator"
```

#### Second MATLAB session

## **Create udpport Instance**

Create a udpport instance and bind to port 3030.

```
uSecond = udpport("LocalPort", 3030)
uSecond =
 UDPPort with properties:
    IPAddressVersion: "IPV4"
           LocalHost: "0.0.0.0"
           LocalPort: 3030
   NumBytesAvailable: 0
 Show all properties, functions
```

## **Prepare Callback Function**

Configure the callback function readAcknowledgement to read data received using the configureCallback function. This callback function is triggered when a terminator is received. The terminator value used for this example is "CR/LF".

Set the Terminator property to "CR/LF" using the configureTerminator function.

```
configureTerminator(uSecond, "CR/LF");
```

The Terminator property should now be set to "CR/LF".

uSecond.Terminator

```
ans =
"CR/LF"
```

Set up the callback function readAcknowledgement to trigger when the assigned terminator is received.

```
configureCallback(uSecond, "terminator",@readAcknowledgement);
```

The readAcknowledgement.m callback function is given below.

```
function readAcknowledgement(u, ~)
% Read the acknowledgement data. readline removes the Terminator from the
% data read.
data = readline(u);
% Display the acknowledgement string read.
disp(data);
end
```

The BytesAvailableFcn property should be now set to the callback function, and the BytesAvailableFcnMode set to "terminator".

```
uSecond.BytesAvailableFcn
```

```
ans = function_handle with value:
    @readAcknowledgement
```

uSecond.BytesAvailableFcnMode

```
ans =
"terminator"
```

#### **Send Command to First MATLAB Session**

Send a "START" command to the udpport instance uFirst on the first MATLAB session using writeline. uFirst is bound to port 2020. writeline automatically appends the "START" command with the Terminator "CR/LF".

```
disp("Sending Command - START");
Sending Command - START
writeline(uSecond, "START", "127.0.0.1", 2020);
```

Send another command to the same destination address and destination port. The "STOP" command is automatically appended with the Terminator "CR/LF".

```
disp("Sending Command - STOP");
Sending Command - STOP
writeline(uSecond, "STOP");
```

#### Clear udpport

Pause before clearing the object for the responses to come back from the first MATLAB session.

```
pause(0.3);
```

Configure the callbacks to be off.

```
configureCallback(uSecond, "off");
```

The BytesAvailableFcn property should be now set to an empty function\_handle, and the BytesAvailableFcnMode set to "off".

```
uSecond.BytesAvailableFcn
```

```
ans =
  0×0 empty function_handle array
uSecond. Bytes Available Fcn Mode\\
ans = "off"
Clear udpport instance.
clear uSecond
```

# **Broadcast User Datagram Protocol Data Packets**

This example shows how to send and receive broadcast datagram packets using the udpport function.

#### **Create udpport Broadcaster**

Create a datagram type udpport broadcaster instance

Set the EnableBroadcast property to allow for broadcasting.

```
uBroadcaster.EnableBroadcast = true;
```

#### **Create udpport Receivers**

Create udpport instances that receive the broadcast data. These receivers are bound to LocalPort 2020 with EnablePortSharing enabled so that multiple udpport objects can bind to the same socket. uReceiver1 is a byte type udpport instance and uReceiver2 is a datagram type udpport instance.

```
uReceiver1 = udpport("byte","LocalPort",2020,"EnablePortSharing",true)
uReceiver1 =
 UDPPort with properties:
     IPAddressVersion: "IPV4"
            LocalHost: "0.0.0.0"
            LocalPort: 2020
   NumBytesAvailable: 0
 Show all properties, functions
uReceiver2 = udpport("datagram", "LocalPort",2020,"EnablePortSharing",true)
uReceiver2 =
 UDPPort with properties:
         IPAddressVersion: "IPV4"
                LocalHost: "0.0.0.0"
                LocalPort: 2020
   NumDatagramsAvailable: 0
  Show all properties, functions
```

#### Send Broadcast Data

The broadcaster sends data to the broadcast address "192.168.255.255" and the port 2020, to which the receivers are bound. In this example, the broadcast address is "192.168.255.255", which is determined by the network address and the subnet mask. This address will be different on your computer.

Write the data 1:5, specified as uint8 data.

```
write(uBroadcaster, 1:5, "uint8", "192.168.255.255", 2020);
```

#### **Receive Broadcast Data**

Now that the broadcaster has sent the data, the receivers receive these data packets.

Verify that the value of the NumBytesAvailable property of uReceiver1 is 5, indicating that five bytes of data was received.

```
uReceiver1Count = uReceiver1.NumBytesAvailable
uReceiver1Count = 5
```

Verify that the value of the NumDatagramsAvailable property of uReceiver2 is 1, indicating that one datagram was received.

```
uReceiver2Count = uReceiver2.NumDatagramsAvailable
uReceiver2Count = 1
```

Read the 5 bytes of data from uReceiver1.

```
data1 = read(uReceiver1, uReceiver1Count, "uint8")
data1 = 1 \times 5
    1 2 3 4
                           5
```

Read the 1 datagram received on uReceiver2.

```
data2 = read(uReceiver2,uReceiver2Count,"uint8");
```

data2 is a udpport.datagram.Datagram object. View the data received.

```
data2.Data
```

```
ans = 1 \times 5
    1
         2 3
                         5
                   4
```

#### **Clear Instances**

Clear the udpport broadcaster and receiver instances.

```
clear uBroadcaster
clear uReceiver1
clear uReceiver2
```

# Communicate Binary and ASCII Data to an Echo Server Using TCP/IP

This example shows how to set up an echo server and communicate with it using TCP/IP by creating a tcpclient object. Binary data and terminated string data are sent to the server and the server echoes the same data back to the client.

#### Set Up TCP/IP Echo Server and Client

```
Create a TCP/IP echo server on port 4500.
```

```
echotcpip("on",4500);
```

Create a tcpclient object and connect to the server. Specify the remote host as "localhost" to connect to the echo server. Specify the same remote port number you used for the echo server.

```
t = tcpclient("localhost",4500)
t =
    tcpclient with properties:
        Address: 'localhost'
        Port: 4500
    NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

#### Write and Read Binary Data Using Byte Callback Mode

Create a callback function called readDataFcn to read data each time the specified bytes of data are available. Store the read data in the UserData property of tcpclient object. See the readDataFcn function at the end of this example.

Set the callback function to trigger each time 10 bytes of data are received.

```
configureCallback(t,"byte",10,@readDataFcn);
Send 10 bytes of data to the echo server.
sendData = 1:10;
write(t,sendData,"uint8");
```

The echo server sends the binary data back to the TCP/IP client.

Pause for 1 second to allow the callback function readDataFcn to complete its operation.

```
pause(1);
```

Read binary data stored in UserData property and display it.

This data matches the data you wrote to the echo server.

#### Write and Read ASCII Data Using Terminator Callback Mode

Create a callback function called readASCIIFcn to read data each time a terminator is found in the data. Store the read data in the UserData property of tcpclient object. See the readASCIIFcn function at the end of this example.

Set the callback function to read terminated string data. The callback is triggered when it receives a terminator in the data.

```
configureCallback(t, "terminator", @readASCIIFcn);
Set the Terminator property value to "LF".
configureTerminator(t,"LF");
```

Send string data to the echo server using writeline. The terminator character "LF" is automatically appended to this string data.

```
writeline(t, "Echo this string.");
```

The echo server sends the ASCII data back to the TCP/IP client.

Pause for 1 second to allow the callback function readASCIIFcn to complete its operation.

```
pause(1);
```

Read ASCII data stored in UserData property and display it.

```
textData = t.UserData
textData =
"Echo this string."
```

This data matches the data you wrote to the echo server.

#### **Clear the Connection**

Stop the echo server and clear the tcpclient object.

```
echotcpip("off");
clear t
```

#### **Callback Functions**

#### **Callback Function to Read Binary Data**

This function calls read to read BytesAvailableFcnCount number of bytes of data. This data is echoed back by the server.

```
function readDataFcn(src, ~)
src.UserData = read(src,src.BytesAvailableFcnCount,"uint8");
end
```

#### Callback Function to Read ASCII Data

This function calls readline to read ASCII data originally sent by the tcpclient object. The data is echoed back by the server.

```
function readASCIIFcn(src, ~)
src.UserData = readline(src);
end
```

# Communicate Between a TCP/IP Client and Server in MATLAB

This example shows how to use the tcpserver and tcpclient functions to create a TCP/IP client and TCP/IP server in MATLAB® and then send data between them over the TCP/IP protcol. You can run this example three different ways:

- Within a single MATLAB session.
- Between two MATLAB sessions on the same computer.
- Between two MATLAB sessions on different computers that are part of the same subnet.

To run this example in a single MATLAB session, you do not have to make any modifications. Create both the server and client in the same MATLAB session.

To run this example in two different MATLAB sessions either on the same computer or on two different computers, you have to run the specified sections in each MATLAB session. Copy the Server Session and Callback Functions sections to one MATLAB script in the first MATLAB session. Copy the Client Session section to another MATLAB script in the second MATLAB session. Run the Server Session script first and then run the Client Session script, since you must create the server before a client can attempt a connection to the server.

When using two MATLAB sessions, copy the values of server. ServerAddress and server. ServerPort from Server Session and use them as the Address and Port values for creating the tcpclient object in the **Client Session**.

#### **Server Session**

In this session, create a tcpserver object that listens for client connection requests. It sends data after a client connects to it. It also uses the callback functionality enabled by the configureCallback method to read data sent by the client.

#### Find Host Name and Address

Find the host name and address of the machine where the server is created. The client uses this address to connect to the server.

```
[~,hostname] = system('hostname');
hostname = string(strtrim(hostname));
address = resolvehost(hostname, "address");
```

#### **Create Server**

Create the tcpserver object using the address of the machine and port 5000. Create a callback function called connectionFcn to write data when a TCP/IP client connects to the server. Set the ConnectionChangedFcn property to the callback function connectionFcn. You can find the connectionFcn function at the end of this example.

```
server = tcpserver(address,5000, "ConnectionChangedFcn",@connectionFcn)
 TCPServer with properties:
        ServerAddress: "172,28,200,248"
           ServerPort: 5000
           Connected: 0
        ClientAddress: ""
```

```
ClientPort: []
NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

#### Read Binary Data Using Byte Callback Mode

Create a callback function called readDataFcn to read data each time the specified bytes of data are available. Store the read data in the UserData property of tcpserver object. You can find the readDataFcn function at the end of this example.

Set the callback function to trigger each time 7688 bytes of data are received.

```
configureCallback(server, "byte", 7688,@readDataFcn);
```

#### **Client Session**

In this session, create a tcpclient object to connect to the server. The client reads data sent from the server. It then sends the data it read back to the server.

#### **Create Client**

Create a tcpclient instance and set the timeout to five seconds.

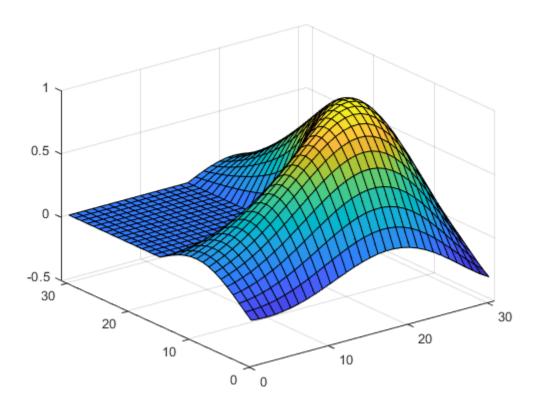
When using two MATLAB sessions, copy the values of server. ServerAddress and server. ServerPort from **Server Session** and use them as the Address and Port values for creating the tcpclient object.

```
client = tcpclient(server.ServerAddress,server.ServerPort,"Timeout",5)
client =
    tcpclient with properties:
        Address: '172.28.200.248'
        Port: 5000
    NumBytesAvailable: 0
    Show all properties, functions
pause(1);
```

#### **Read Data and Display**

Read data sent by the server. Reshape the data array and plot it.

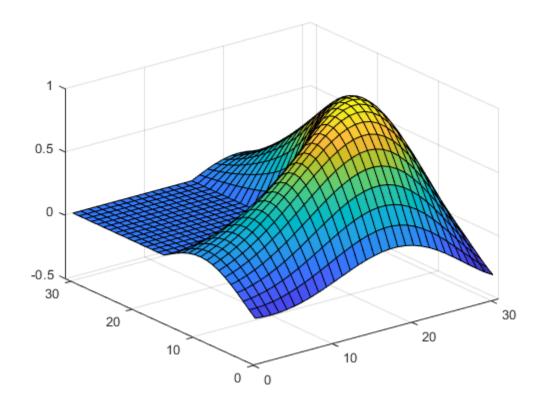
```
rawData = read(client,961,"double");
reshapedData = reshape(rawData,31,31);
surf(reshapedData);
```



## **Write Data**

Write data to the server.

write(client,rawData,"double");



#### **Clear the Client**

Clear the tcpclient instance.

clear client

#### **Callback Functions**

#### **Connection Callback Function to Write Binary Data**

This function calls write to write data to the connected TCP/IP client.

```
function connectionFcn(src, ~)
if src.Connected
    disp("Client connection accepted by server.")
    data = membrane(1);
    write(src,data(:),"double");
end
end
```

#### **Data Available Callback Function to Read Binary Data**

This function calls read to read BytesAvailableFcnCount number of bytes of data.

```
function readDataFcn(src, ~)
disp("Data was received from the client.")
src.UserData = read(src,src.BytesAvailableFcnCount/8,"double");
reshapedServerData = reshape(src.UserData,31,31);
```

surf(reshapedServerData); end

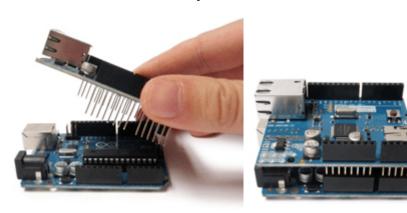
# Read Data from Arduino Using TCP/IP Communication

This example shows how to enable callbacks to read sine wave data from an Arduino® Uno using the tcpserver interface. The Arduino is configured as a TCP/IP client and connects to the TCP/IP server created in MATLAB® using tcpserver.

#### Connect the Ethernet Shield to Arduino Uno

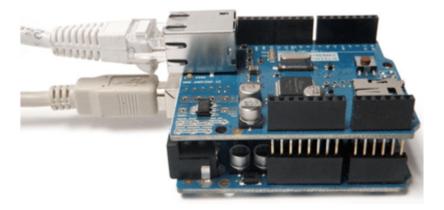
Plug in an Arduino Uno to your computer. Follow these steps to connect the W5100 Ethernet Network Shield to the Arduino Uno and to your network router or a network adapter on the computer.

Place the Ethernet Shield firmly on the Arduino Uno.



Use an RI45 cable to connect the Arduino Ethernet Shield to one of the following:

- Network router that provides Internet to your computer.
- Network adapter on your computer.



Identify the IP address of the router or network adapter that the Arduino Ethernet Shield is connected to. Specify this IP address in the Arduino program in the **Load Program on the Arduino Uno** section. You also use this IP address as an input argument for tcpserver in the **Create the Server** section.

#### Load Program on the Arduino Uno

Load the following program on the Arduino Uno using the Arduino IDE. This program writes out 250 float values of a sine wave.

```
TCPIPClient
Write sine wave data values to the tcpserver object created in MATLAB.
#include <SPI.h>
#include <Ethernet.h>
// Specify the MAC address printed on the Ethernet shield.
// If no MAC address is printed, then use the address shown below.
byte mac[] = \{0xDE, 0xAD, 0xBE, 0xEF, 0xFE, 0xED\};
// Specify the server IP address that is used to create the tcpserver object in MATLAB.
// This is the IP address of the router or network adapter that the Arduino Ethernet Shield is co
// In this example, 192.168.1.81 is the IP address for the server.
IPAddress server(192,168,1,81);
// Set the static IP address for the Arduino Ethernet Shield to act as a TCP/IP client.
// Choose an IP address that is in the same subnet or private network as the server IP address.
// In this example, 192.168.1.177 is the IP address for the Arduino Ethernet Shield. It is in the
IPAddress ip(192,168,1,177);
IPAddress myDns(192,168,1,1);
// Ethernet client library.
EthernetClient client;
// Command sent by the server.
byte command;
// Sine wave data buffer.
float sineWaveBuffer[250];
// The setup routine runs once when you press reset.
void setup()
  // Initialize serial communication.
 Serial.begin(9600);
 while (!Serial)
    ; // Wait for serial port to connect.
 Ethernet.begin(mac,ip,myDns);
 Serial.print("Manually assigned the following IP address to the Arduino:");
 Serial.println();
 Serial.println(Ethernet.localIP());
 // Check for Ethernet hardware.
 if (Ethernet.hardwareStatus() == EthernetNoHardware)
 {
    Serial.println("Ethernet shield was not found.");
```

```
// Check for Ethernet cable connection.
 if (Ethernet.linkStatus() == LinkOFF)
    Serial.println("Ethernet cable is not connected.");
 }
 Serial.print("Attempting connection to ");
 Serial.print(server);
 Serial.println("...");
 // Attempt to connect to the server running at IP address 192.168.1.81 and port 5000.
 if (client.connect(server,5000))
   Serial.print("Connected to server running at ");
   Serial.println(client.remoteIP());
 }
 else
 {
   Serial.println("Connection to server failed.");
 // Store sine wave data as 250 float values.
 for (int j = 0; j < 250; j++)
   sineWaveBuffer[j] = sin(j*50.0/360.0);
 }
}
// Main processing loop
void loop()
 // Block until data is sent by server.
 if (client.available() > 0)
   // Read the command sent by the server.
   command = client.read();
   // Print the command sent by the server.
    Serial.println("The server sent the following command:");
   Serial.println(command);
   if (client.connected() && command == 1)
        // Write sine wave data to the server.
        client.write((const uint8_t *) & sineWaveBuffer, sizeof(sineWaveBuffer));
 }
```

#### **Create the Server**

Create a tcpserver instance using the IP address of the router or network adapter.

In this example, the IP address is 192.168.1.81 and the port number is 5000. This IP address must be the same one specified in the Arduino program.

```
server = tcpserver("192.168.1.81",5000)
```

```
server =
 TCPServer with properties:
        ServerAddress: "192.168.1.81"
           ServerPort: 5000
            Connected: 0
        ClientAddress: ""
           ClientPort: []
   NumBytesAvailable: 0
 Show all properties, functions
```

#### Prepare the tcpserver Object to Receive Data

Set the ConnectionChangedFcn property to @requestDataCommand. The callback function requestDataCommand is triggered when the Arduino connects to the tcpserver object.

```
server.ConnectionChangedFcn = @requestDataCommand;
```

Create a callback function requestDataCommand that sends uint8 value of 1 as a command to request the Arduino to send data.

```
function requestDataCommand(src,~)
if src.Connected
    % Display the server object to see that Arduino client has connected to it.
    disp("The Connected and ClientAddress properties of the tcpserver object show that the Ardui
   disp(src)
   % Request the Arduino to send data.
    disp("Send the command: 1")
   write(src,1,"uint8");
```

Set the BytesAvailableFcnMode property to "byte", the BytesAvailableFcn property to @readArduinoData, and the BytesAvailableFcnCount property to 1000.

```
configureCallback(server, "byte", 1000, @readArduinoData);
```

The callback function readArduinoData is triggered when 250 sine wave float data points (1000 bytes) are available to be read from the Arduino.

#### **Read Callback Function**

end end

Create a callback function readArduinoData that reads 250 sine wave data points and plots the result.

```
function readArduinoData(src,~)
% Read the sine wave data sent to the tcpserver object.
src.UserData = read(src,src.BytesAvailableFcnCount/4,'single');
% Plot the data.
plot(src.UserData)
end
```

# Generate a Swept Sinusoid Using VISA and Capture Waveform Using Quick-Control Oscilloscope

This example shows how to use a function generator to generate a swept sinusoid waveform and also how to capture it using an oscilloscope.

For a complete list of supported hardware, visit the Instrument Control Toolbox product page.

#### Requirements

This example was tested using a Keysight Technologies® 33522B function generator and a Tektronix® TDS 1002 oscilloscope. The GPIB addresses of the function generator and oscilloscope are **GPIB0::5::INSTR** and **GPIB0::11::INSTR**, respectively. The function generator is configured to generate a 2V p-p swept-sinusoid (20 to 200 Hz) with an offset of 1V every 100 ms on channel 1. The oscilloscope is configured to acquire a waveform on channel 1.

#### **Configure the Oscilloscope**

Configure the oscilloscope using a Quick-Control (oscilloscope).

```
scopeResource = "GPIB0::11::INSTR";
ch = "CH1";
```

Create an oscilloscope object and open a connection to the instrument.

```
scope = oscilloscope;
scope.Resource = scopeResource;
connect(scope)
```

The autoSetup function automatically adjust channels, vertical, horizontal, and trigger controls based on connected signals.

```
autoSetup(scope)
```

Enable and configure channel 1.

```
enableChannel(scope,ch);
configureChannel(scope,ch,"VerticalCoupling","DC")
```

Configure the channel to display at 1 VOLTS/DIV.

```
configureChannel(scope,ch,"VerticalRange",1)
```

Set probe attenuation to 1x (options include 1, 10, 100).

```
configureChannel(scope,ch,"ProbeAttenuation",1)
```

The AcquisitionTime property represents the waveform duration in seconds. Setting the AcquisitionTime will change the SEC/DIV control accordingly. AcquisitionTime typically corresponds to 10 divisions (or one screen of data).

```
scope.AcquisitionTime = 0.25;
scope.TriggerLevel = 2.56;
scope.TriggerSource = ch;
scope.TriggerSlope = "rising";
```

```
scope.TriggerMode = "normal";
disp(scope)
oscilloscope: TEKTRONIX,TDS 1002
   Instrument Settings:
      AcquisitionStartDelay: 'Not supported'
            AcquisitionTime: 0.25 s
               ChannelNames: 'CH1', 'CH2', 'MATH', 'REFA', 'REFB'
            ChannelsEnabled: 'CH1'
            SingleSweepMode: 'off'
                     Timeout: 10 s
             WaveformLength: 2500
   Trigger Settings:
               TriggerLevel: 2.56
              TriggerSource: 'CH1'
TriggerSlope: 'rising'
                TriggerMode: 'normal'
   Communication Properties:
                      Status: 'open'
                    Resource: 'GPIB0::11::INSTR'
lists of methods
```

#### **Configure the Function Generator**

Configure the function generator to generate a sweep waveform using a VISA-GPIB object.

```
fgenResource = "GPIB0::5::INSTR";
vfgen = visadev(fgenResource)
vfgen =
  GPIB with properties:
         ResourceName: "GPIB0::5::INSTR"
                Alias: "FGEN_2CH"
               Vendor: "Agilent Technologies"
                Model: "33522B"
           BoardIndex: 0
       PrimaryAddress: 5
     SecondaryAddress: 65535
    NumBytesAvailable: 0
  Show all properties, functions
Configure the sweep amplitude and offset.
writeline(vfgen, "SOUR1:VOLT +1.0")
writeline(vfgen, "SOUR1:VOLT:OFFS +1.0")
Enable sweep mode.
writeline(vfgen, "SOUR1:FREQ:MODE SWE");
writeline(vfgen, "SOUR1:SWE:STAT ON");
writeline(vfgen, "SOUR1:SWE:SPAC LIN");
```

Configure the start and stop frequencies.

```
fstart = 20:
fstop = 200;
writeline(vfgen,compose("SOUR1:FREQ:STAR %d",fstart));
writeline(vfgen,compose("SOUR1:FREQ:STOP %d",fstop));
Configure the time taken to sweep from the start frequency to the stop frequency as sweepTime.
sweepTime = 0.1;
holdTime = 0;
returnTime = 0;
writeline(vfgen,compose("SOUR1:SWE:TIME %0.1f",sweepTime));
Configure time to remain at the stop frequency as holdTime.
writeline(vfgen,compose("SOUR1:SWE:HTIME %0.1f",holdTime));
Configure the time required to return to the start frequency as returnTime.
writeline(vfgen,compose("SOUR1:SWE:RTIME %0.1f",returnTime));
Configure the trigger.
writeline(vfgen, "TRIG1:SLOP POS");
writeline(vfgen, "TRIG1:SOUR IMM");
```

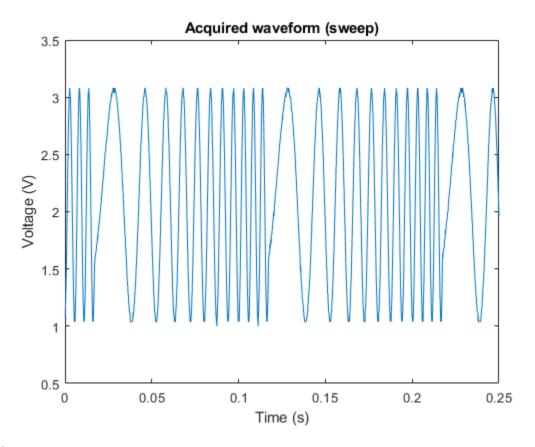
#### **Acquire the Waveform**

Acquire waveform data using the oscilloscope. The AcquisitionTime property represents the waveform duration in seconds. The WaveformLength property represents the number of points in the waveform data.

```
y = readWaveform(scope);
t = linspace(0,scope.AcquisitionTime,scope.WaveformLength);
```

#### **Plot the Waveform**

```
plot(t,y)
ylim([0.5,3.5]);
title("Acquired waveform (sweep)")
xlabel("Time (s)");
ylabel("Voltage (V)");
```



## Clean Up

Clear the workspace when you are finished.

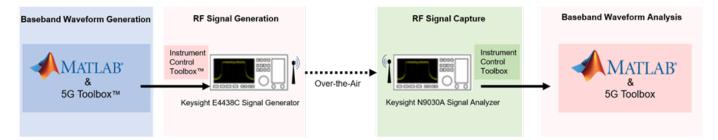
disconnect(scope)
clear scope vfgen

# **5G NR Waveform Acquisition and Analysis**

This example shows how to generate a 5G NR test model (NR-TM) waveform using the 5G Waveform Generator (5G Toolbox) app and download the generated waveform to a Keysight<sup>m</sup> vector signal generator for over-the-air transmission using the Instrument Control Toolbox<sup>m</sup> software. The example then captures the transmitted over-the-air signal using a Keysight signal analyzer and analyzes the signal in MATLAB®.

#### Introduction

This example generates a 5G NR-TM waveform using the **5G Waveform Generator** app, downloads and transmits the waveform onto a Keysight vector signal generator, and then receives the waveform using a Keysight signal analyzer for waveform analysis in MATLAB. This diagram shows the general workflow.



#### Requirements

To run this example, you need these instruments:

- Keysight E4438C ESG vector signal generator
- · Keysight N9030A PXA signal analyzer

#### Generate Baseband Waveform Using 5G Waveform Generator App

In MATLAB, on the **Apps** tab, click the **5G Waveform Generator** app.

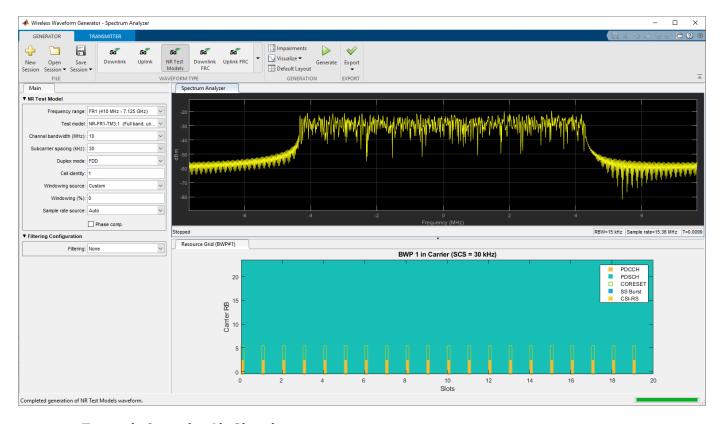
In the **Waveform Type** section, click **NR Test Models.** In the left-most pane of the app, you can set the parameters for the selected waveform. For this example:

- Set **Frequency range** as FR1 (410 MHz 7.125 GHz)
- Set **Test model** as NR-FR1-TM3.1 (Full band, uniform 64 QAM)
- Set Channel bandwidth (MHz) as 10
- Set Subcarrier spacing (kHz) as 30
- Set **Duplex mode** as FDD.

On the app toolstrip, click **Generate**.

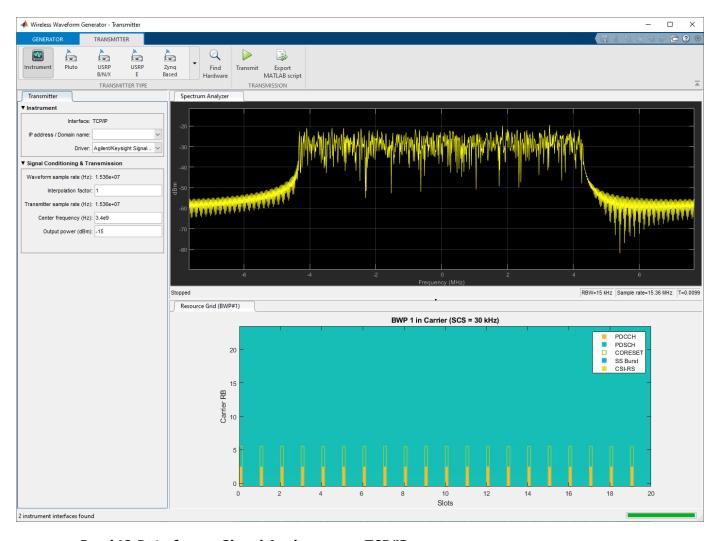
```
% Set the NR-TM parameters for the receiver
nrtm = "NR-FR1-TM3.1"; % Reference channel
bw = "10MHz"; % Channel bandwidth
scs = "30kHz"; % Subcarrier spacing
dm = "FDD"; % Duplexing mode
```

This figure shows a 10 MHz 5G NR waveform visible at baseband.



#### Transmit Over-the-Air Signal

Download the generated signal to the RF signal generator over one of the supported communication interfaces (requires Instrument Control Toolbox). The app automatically finds the signal generator that is connected over the TCP/IP interface. On the **Transmitter** tab of the app, select Agilent/Keysight Signal Generator SCPI from the **Driver** list. Set the **Center frequency (Hz)** parameter to 3.4e9 and the **Output power (dBm)** parameter to -15. The app automatically obtains the baseband sample rate from the generated waveform. To start the transmission, click **Transmit** in the toolstrip.



#### Read IQ Data from a Signal Analyzer over TCP/IP

To read the in-phase and quadrature (IQ) data into MATLAB for analysis, configure the Keysight N9030A signal analyzer using the Instrument Control Toolbox software.

Define the instrument configuration parameters based on the signal you are measuring.

```
% Set parameters for the spectrum analyzer centerFrequency = 3.4e9; sampleRate = 15.36e6; measurementTime = 20e-3; mechanicalAttenuation = 0; %dB startFrequency = 3.39e9; stopFrequency = 3.41e9; resolutionBandwidth = 220e3; videoBandwidth = 220000;
```

Perform these steps before connecting to the spectrum analyzer.

- Find the resource ID of the Keysight N9030A signal analyzer.
- Connect to the instrument using the virtual instrument software architecture (VISA) interface.

- Adjust the input buffer size to hold the data that the instrument returns.
- Set the timeout to allow sufficient time for the measurement and data transfer.

```
foundVISA = visadevlist;
resourceID = foundVISA(foundVISA.Model == "N9030A",:).ResourceName;
resourceID = resourceID(contains(resourceID, "N9030A"));
                                                                     % Extract resourceID which co
sigAnalyzerObj = visadev(resourceID);
sigAnalyzerObj.ByteOrder = "big-endian";
sigAnalyzerObj.Timeout = 20;
```

Reset the instrument to a known state using the appropriate standard command for programmable instruments (SCPI). Query the instrument identity to ensure the correct instrument is connected.

```
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,"*RST");
instrumentInfo = writeread(sigAnalyzerObj,"*IDN?");
fprintf("Instrument identification information: %s",instrumentInfo);
Instrument identification information: Agilent Technologies, N9030A, US00071181, A.14.16
```

The X-Series signal and spectrum analyzers perform IQ measurements as well as spectrum measurements. In this example, you acquire time domain IQ data, visualize the data using MATLAB, and perform signal analysis on the acquired data. The SCPI commands configure the instrument and define the format of the data transfer after the measurement is complete.

```
% Set up signal analyzer mode to basic IQ mode
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,":INSTrument:SELect BASIC");
% Set the center frequency
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,strcat(":SENSe:FREQuency:CENTer ",num2str(centerFrequency)));
% Set the capture sample rate
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,strcat(":SENSe:WAVeform:SRATe ",num2str(sampleRate)));
% Turn off averaging
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,":SENSe:WAVeform:AVER OFF");
st Set the spectrum analyzer to take one single measurement after the trigger line goes high
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,":INIT:CONT OFF");
% Set the trigger to external source 1 with positive slope triggering
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,":TRIGger:WAVeform:SOURce IMMediate");
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,":TRIGger:LINE:SLOPe POSitive");
% Set the time for which measurement needs to be made
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,strcat(":WAVeform:SWE:TIME ",num2str(measurementTime)));
% Turn off electrical attenuation
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,":SENSe:POWer:RF:EATTenuation:STATe OFF");
% Set the mechanical attenuation level
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,strcat(":SENSe:POWer:RF:ATTenuation ",num2str(mechanicalAttenuation)));
% Turn IQ signal ranging to auto
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,":SENSe:VOLTage:IQ:RANGe:AUTO ON");
% Set the endianness of returned data
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,":FORMat:BORDer NORMal");
```

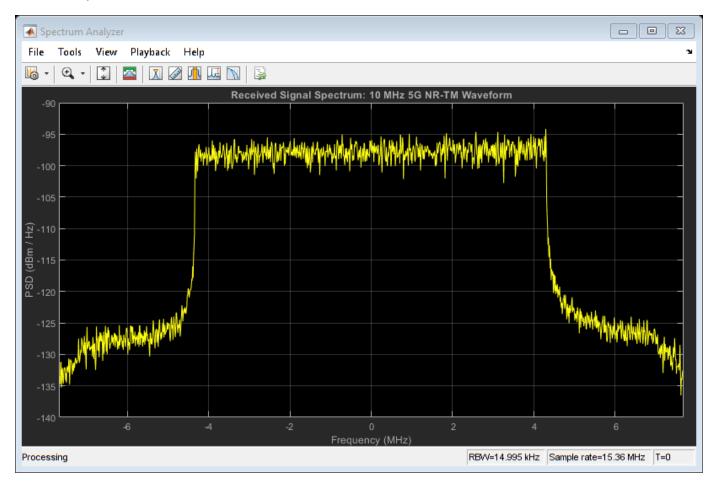
```
% Set the format of the returned data writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,":FORMat:DATA REAL,64");

Trigger the instrument to make the measurement. Wait for the measurement operation to complete,
```

and then read-in the waveform. Before processing the data, separate the I and Q components from the interleaved data that is received from the instrument and create a complex vector in MATLAB.

```
% Trigger the instrument and initiate measurement
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,"*TRG");
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,":INITiate:WAVeform");
% Wait until measure operation is complete
measureComplete = writeread(sigAnalyzerObj,"*OPC?");
% Read the IO data
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,":READ:WAVO?");
data = readbinblock(sigAnalyzerObj, "double");
% Separate the data and build the complex IQ vector
inphase = data(1:2:end);
quadrature = data(2:2:end);
rxWaveform = inphase+li*quadrature;
Capture and display the information about the most recently acquired data.
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,":FETCH:WAV1?");
signalSpec = readbinblock(sigAnalyzerObj, "double");
% Display the measurement information
captureSampleRate = 1/signalSpec(1);
fprintf("Sample Rate (Hz) = %s", num2str(captureSampleRate));
Sample Rate (Hz) = 15360000
fprintf("Number of points read = %s",num2str(signalSpec(4)));
Number of points read = 307201
fprintf("Max value of signal (dBm) = %s",num2str(signalSpec(6)));
Max value of signal (dBm) = -38.0772
fprintf("Min value of signal (dBm) = %s",num2str(signalSpec(7)));
Min value of signal (dBm) = -111.4699
Plot the spectrum of the acquired waveform to confirm the bandwidth of the received signal.
% Ensure rxWaveform is a column vector
if ~iscolumn(rxWaveform)
    rxWaveform = rxWaveform.';
end
% Plot the power spectral density (PSD) of the acquired signal
spectrumPlotRx = dsp.SpectrumAnalyzer;
spectrumPlotRx.SampleRate = captureSampleRate;
spectrumPlotRx.SpectrumType = "Power density";
spectrumPlotRx.PowerUnits = "dBm";
spectrumPlotRx.Window = "Hamming";
```

```
spectrumPlotRx.SpectralAverages = 10;
spectrumPlotRx.YLimits = [-140 -90];
spectrumPlotRx.YLabel = "PSD";
spectrumPlotRx.ShowLegend = false;
spectrumPlotRx.Title = "Received Signal Spectrum: 10 MHz 5G NR-TM Waveform";
spectrumPlotRx(rxWaveform);
```



Switch the instrument to spectrum analyzer mode and compare the spectrum view generated in MATLAB with the view on the signal analyzer. Use additional SCPI commands to configure the instrument measurement and display settings.

```
% Switch back to the spectrum analyzer view
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,":INSTrument:SELect SA");
% Set the mechanical attenuation level
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,strcat(":SENSe:POWer:RF:ATTenuation ",num2str(mechanicalAttenuation)));
% Set the center frequency, RBW, and VBW
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,strcat(":SENSe:FREQuency:CENTer ",num2str(centerFrequency)));
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,strcat(":SENSe:FREQuency:STARt ",num2str(startFrequency)));
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,strcat(":SENSe:FREQuency:STOP ",num2str(stopFrequency)));
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,strcat(":SENSe:BANDwidth:RESolution",num2str(resolutionBandwidth)));
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,strcat(":SENSe:BANDwidth:VIDeo ",num2str(videoBandwidth)));
% Enable continuous measurement on the spectrum analyzer
```

```
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,":INIT:CONT ON");
% Begin receiving the over-the-air signal
writeline(sigAnalyzerObj,"*TRG");
```

For instrument cleanup, clear the instrument connection:

```
clear sigAnalyzerObj;
```

To stop the 5G NR-TM waveform transmission, in the **Instrument** section on the app toolstrip, click **Stop Transmission**.

#### Perform Measurements of Received 5G Waveform

Use the generateWaveform function of the hNRReferenceWaveformGenerator helper file to extract the waveform information for a specific TM.

```
tmwavegen = hNRReferenceWaveformGenerator(nrtm,bw,scs,dm);
[~,tmwaveinfo,resourcesInfo] = generateWaveform(tmwavegen);
```

#### Coarse Frequency Offset Compensation Using Demodulation Reference Symbols (DM-RS)

Look for offsets in increments of 1 kHz up to 100 kHz.

```
frequencyCorrectionRange = -100e3:1e3:100e3;
[rxWaveform, coarseOffset] = DMRSFrequencyCorrection(rxWaveform, captureSampleRate, frequencyCorrefprintf("Coarse frequency offset = %.0f Hz", coarseOffset)
Coarse frequency offset = 0 Hz
```

#### Fine Frequency Offset Compensation Using DM-RS

Look for offsets in increments of 5 Hz up to 100 Hz

```
frequencyCorrectionRange = -100:5:100;
[rxWaveform, fineOffset] = DMRSFrequencyCorrection(rxWaveform, captureSampleRate, frequencyCorrect.
fprintf("Fine frequency offset = %.1f Hz", fineOffset)
Fine frequency offset = -25.0 Hz
```

#### **EVM Measurements**

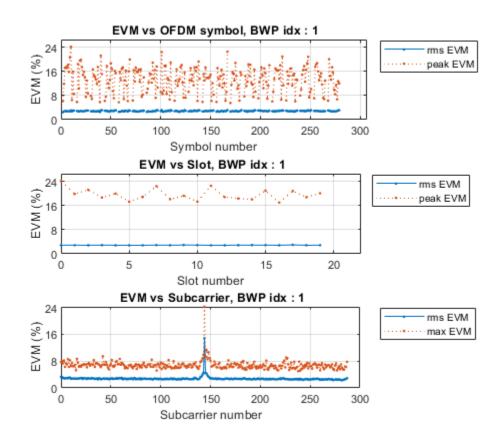
Use the hNRPDSCHEVM function to analyze the waveform. The function performs these steps.

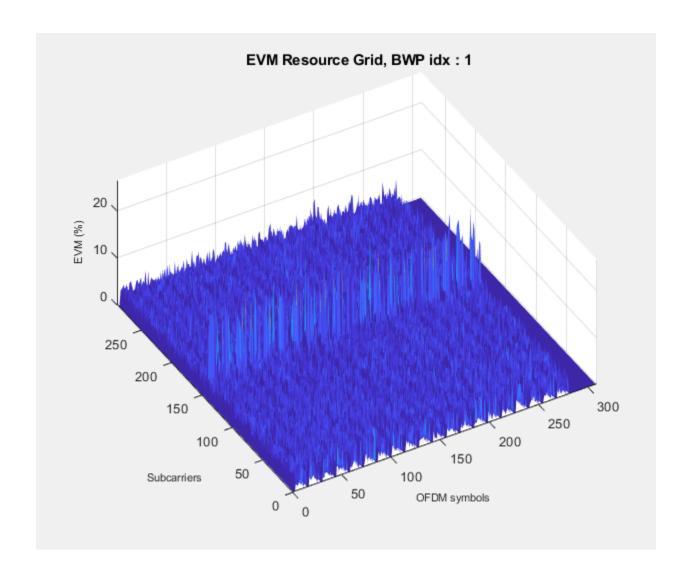
- Synchronizes the DM-RS over one frame for frequency division duplexing (FDD) (two frames for time division duplexing (TDD))
- Demodulates the received waveform
- Estimates the channel
- Equalizes the symbols
- Estimates and compensates for common phase error (CPE)

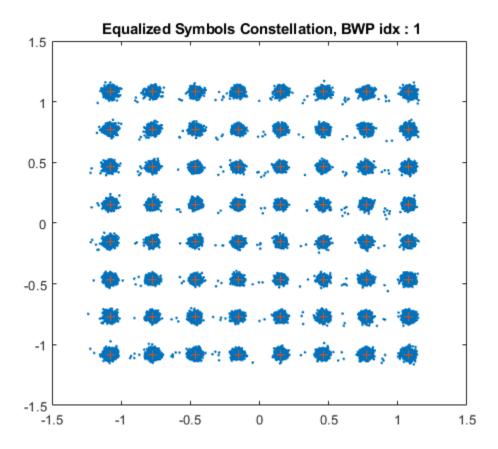
Define the configuration settings for the hNRPDSCHEVM function.

cfg.SampleRate = captureSampleRate; % Use sample rate during capture [evmInfo,eqSym,refSym] = hNRPDSCHEVM(tmwavegen.Config,rxWaveform,cfg);

```
EVM stats for BWP idx : 1
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 0: 2.844 24.173%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 1: 2.859 19.851%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 2: 2.834 21.226%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 3: 2.891 18.692%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 4: 2.838 19.968%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 5: 2.821 17.304%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 6: 2.814 18.894%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 7: 2.895 22.461%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 8: 2.842 18.133%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 9: 2.916 19.272%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 10: 2.879 17.322%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 11: 2.828 22.567%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 12: 2.836 18.823%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 13: 2.865 18.367%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 14: 2.892 18.067%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 15: 2.871 20.953%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 16: 2.838 16.993%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 17: 2.953 20.853%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 18: 2.831 18.791%
RMS EVM, Peak EVM, slot 19: 2.863 20.097%
Averaged RMS EVM frame 0: 2.861%
```







Averaged overall RMS EVM: 2.861% Overall Peak EVM = 24.1731%

The measurements show that the demodulation of the received waveform is successful. The interference from the DC component of the spectrum analyzer to the DC subcarrier causes high EVM values in the measurements.

#### **Local functions**

These functions assist in processing the received 5G waveform.

```
function [correctedWaveform,appliedFrequencyCorrection] = DMRSFrequencyCorrection(waveform,sample)
   % waveform - Waveform to be corrected. Needs to be a Nx1 column vector.
   % sampleRate - Sample rate of waveform
   % frequencyCorrectioRange - Range and granularity at which frequency
   % correction is inspected
   % tmwavegen and resourcesInfo - Outputs of generateWaveform method
    [pdschArray,~,carrier] = hListTargetPDSCHs(tmwavegen.Config,resourcesInfo.WaveformResources)
    bwpCfg = tmwavegen.Config.BandwidthParts{1,1};
   nSlots = carrier.SlotsPerFrame;
   % Generate a reference grid spanning 10 ms (one frame). This grid
   % contains only the DM-RS and is used for synchronization.
    refGrid = referenceGrid(carrier,bwpCfg,pdschArray,nSlots);
   % Apply frequency offsets to the waveform as specified by
```

```
% freugnecyCorrectionRange.
    nSamples = (0:length(waveform)-1)';
    frequencyShift = (2*pi*frequencyCorrectionRange.*nSamples)./sampleRate;
    % Each column represents an offset waveform.
   offsetWaveforms = waveform.*exp(1j*frequencyShift);
    [~,mag] = nrTimingEstimate(offsetWaveforms,carrier.NSizeGrid,...
        carrier.SubcarrierSpacing,nSlots,refGrid, ...
        "SampleRate", sampleRate);
   % Find the frequency at which the DM-RS correlation is at a maximum.
    [\sim,index] = max(max(mag));
    appliedFrequencyCorrection = frequencyCorrectionRange(index);
    correctedWaveform = offsetWaveforms(:,index);
end
function refGrid = referenceGrid(carrier,bwpCfq,pdschArray,nSlots)
    % Create a reference grid for the required number of slots. The grid
   % contains the DM-RS symbols specified in pdschArray. The function
   % returns REFGRID of dimensions K-by-S-by-L, where K is the number of
    % subcarriers of size carrier.NSizeGrid, S is the number of symbols
    % spanning nSlots, and L is the number of layers.
    nSubcarriers = carrier.NSizeGrid * 12;
    L = carrier.SymbolsPerSlot*nSlots;
                                                                  % Number of OFDM symbols in the
    nLayers = size(pdschArray(1).Resources(1).ChannelIndices,2);
    bwpStart = bwpCfg.NStartBWP;
    bwpLen = bwpCfg.NSizeBWP;
    refGrid = zeros(nSubcarriers,L,nLayers);
                                                                  % Empty grid
    bwpGrid = zeros(bwpLen*12,L,nLayers);
    rbsPerSlot = bwpLen*12*carrier.SymbolsPerSlot;
    % Populate the DM-RS symbols in the reference grid for all slots. Place
    % bwpGrid in a carrier grid (at an appropriate location) in case the
    % BWP size is not the same as the carrier grid
    for slotIdx = carrier.NSlot + (0:nSlots-1)
        [~,~,dmrsIndices,dmrsSymbols] = hSlotResources(pdschArray,slotIdx);
        if ~isempty(dmrsIndices)
            for layerIdx = 1:nLayers
                if layerIdx <= size(dmrsIndices,2)</pre>
                    dmrsIndices(:,layerIdx) = dmrsIndices(:,layerIdx) - rbsPerSlot*(layerIdx -1)
                    bwpGrid(dmrsIndices(:,layerIdx)+(slotIdx-carrier.NSlot)*rbsPerSlot) = dmrsSy
            end
            refGrid(12*bwpStart+1:12*(bwpStart+bwpLen),:,:) = bwpGrid;
        end
    end
end
```

## TCP/IP Client Block Communication with Arduino Server

This example shows how the TCP/IP blocks in the Instrument Control Toolbox can be used with a remote server. In this example the server is running on an Arduino connected on the network. Instrument Control Toolbox provides TCP/IP blocks which are client-only blocks. Both the Send and Receive blocks can communicate via or to a server running remotely or in a different MATLAB session or to an echoserver on the same machine.

In this example there are two models which show the following:

- 1. Continuous stream of data from the server after a trigger.
- 2. On-demand read from the server after a command message is sent to the server.

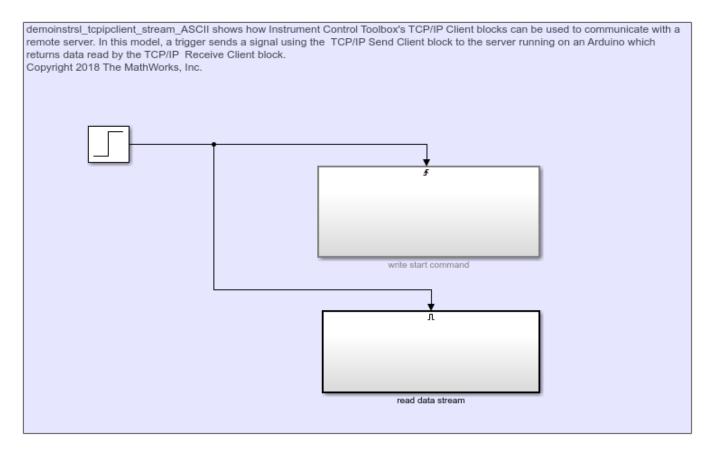
#### Setup

You will have to load the INO file that the example provides onto an Arduino Uno and configure your network connections to the IP and Port settings in the INO file. Running the example opens both models associated with the example. You can run one at a time to get a better understanding of the difference between the two and notice how the TCP/IP blocks behave as client blocks while communicating with the server running on the Arduino.

#### Continuous stream of data from the server

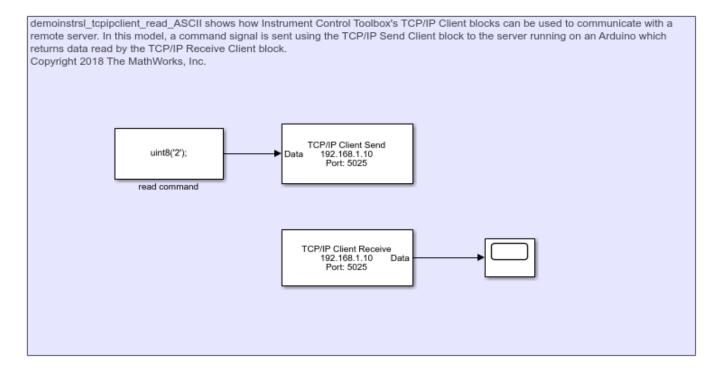
This model consists of two subsystems:

- 1. Write start command This is a triggered subsystem which at the first time interval trigger sends a start command to the server running on the Arduino using the TCP/IP Send Client block.
- 2. Read data stream This is a triggered subsystem which continously reads the stream of data coming in from the Arduino server at every time interval using the TCP/IP Receive Client block.



#### **On-demand read from the server**

This model is set up to send an initial send command using the TCP/IP Send Client block for the server to acknowledge that a signal has been received and for it to send some data back which is read by the TCP/IP Receive Client block.



#### **Results**

This example makes use of the sensor attached to the analog pins on the Arduino. For the type of sensor attached you should see a corresponding output.

# Using the Instrument Control Toolbox Block Library

The Instrument Control Toolbox software includes a Simulink® software interface called the Instrument Control Toolbox block library. You can use the blocks of this library in a Simulink model to communicate with an instrument.

- "Open Instrument Control Toolbox Block Library" on page 22-2
- "Send and Receive Data Through Serial Port Loopback" on page 22-5
- "Send and Receive Data over TCP/IP Network" on page 22-14
- "Enable Blocking Mode in Receive and Send Blocks" on page 22-25
- "Timing in Hardware Interface Models" on page 22-30

# **Open Instrument Control Toolbox Block Library**

#### In this section...

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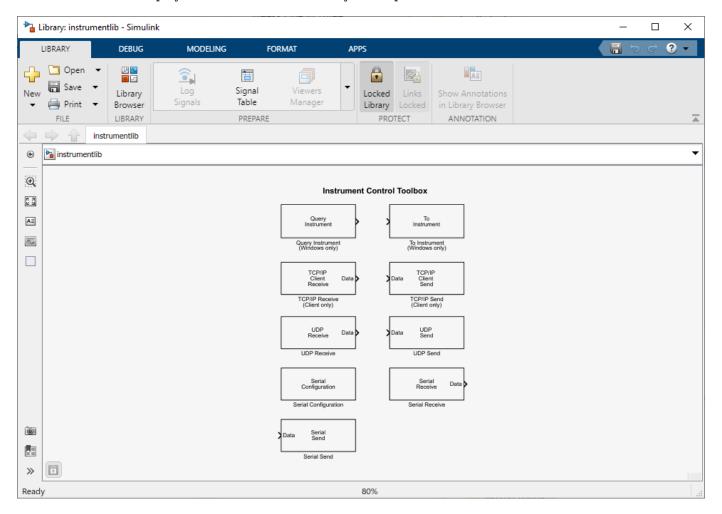
"From the Simulink Library Browser" on page 22-2

#### From the Command Line

To open the Instrument Control Toolbox block library, enter the following in the MATLAB Command Window.

instrumentlib

MATLAB displays the contents of the library in a separate window.

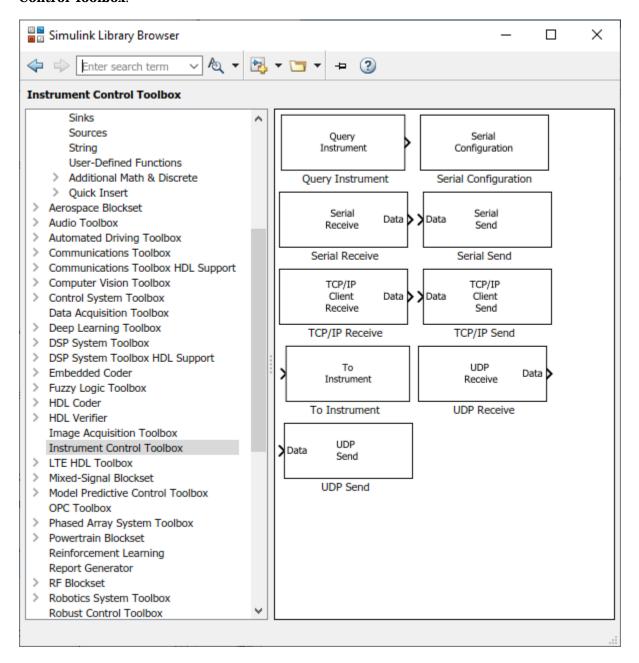


# From the Simulink Library Browser

To open the Instrument Control Toolbox block library, first start the Simulink Library Browser by entering the following in the MATLAB Command Window.

#### slLibraryBrowser

MATLAB opens the browser window. The left pane lists available block libraries, with the basic Simulink library listed first, followed by other libraries in alphabetical order. Click **Instrument Control Toolbox**.



Simulink loads the library and displays the blocks in the library.

### See Also

### **More About**

- "Send and Receive Data Through Serial Port Loopback" on page 22-5
- "Send and Receive Data over TCP/IP Network" on page 22-14

# Send and Receive Data Through Serial Port Loopback

This example shows how to build a simple model using the Instrument Control Toolbox blocks in conjunction with other blocks in the Simulink library. The example illustrates how to send data to a simple loopback device connected to the computer's serial port and how to read that data back into your model.

**Note** After you connect your loopback device to your computer, determine which serial port it is on. For instructions, see "Find Serial Port Information for Your Platform" on page 6-9.

You use the To Instrument block to write a value to the serial port on your computer, and then use the Query Instrument block to read that same value back into your model.

**Note** Block names are not shown by default in the model. To display the hidden block names while working in the model, select **Display** and clear the **Hide Automatic Names** check box.

#### In this section...

- "Step 1: Create a New Model" on page 22-5
- "Step 2: Open the Block Library" on page 22-5
- "Step 3: Drag the Instrument Control Toolbox Blocks into the Model" on page 22-6
- "Step 4: Drag Other Blocks to Complete the Model" on page 22-7
- "Step 5: Connect the Blocks" on page 22-8
- "Step 6: Specify the Block Parameter Values" on page 22-9
- "Step 7: Specify the Block Priority" on page 22-12
- "Step 8: Run the Simulation" on page 22-12

### **Step 1: Create a New Model**

To start Simulink and create a new model, enter the following in the MATLAB Command Window.

simulink

On the Simulink start page, click **Blank Model** and then **Create Model**. An empty Editor window opens.

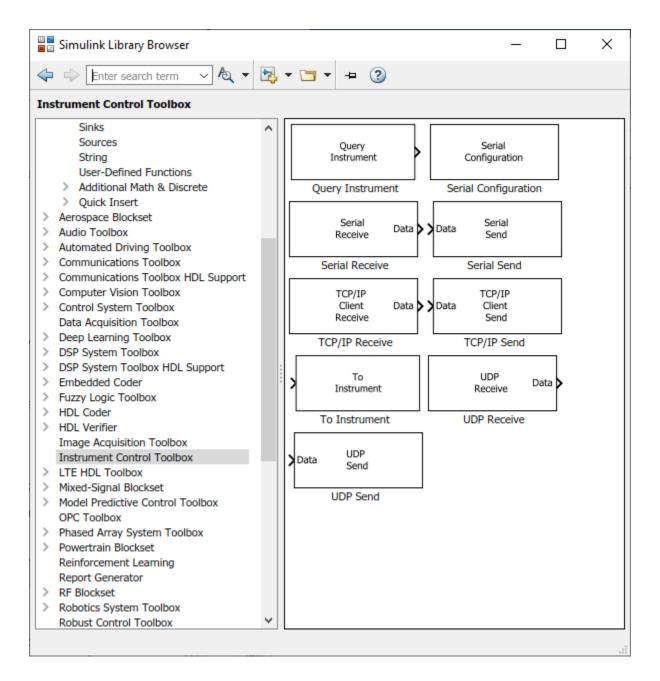
In the toolstrip, click **Save** to assign a name to your new model.

### Step 2: Open the Block Library

In the toolstrip, click the **Library Browser** button in the **Simulation** tab.

The Simulink Library Browser opens. The left pane contains a tree of available block libraries in alphabetical order. Click **Instrument Control Toolbox**.

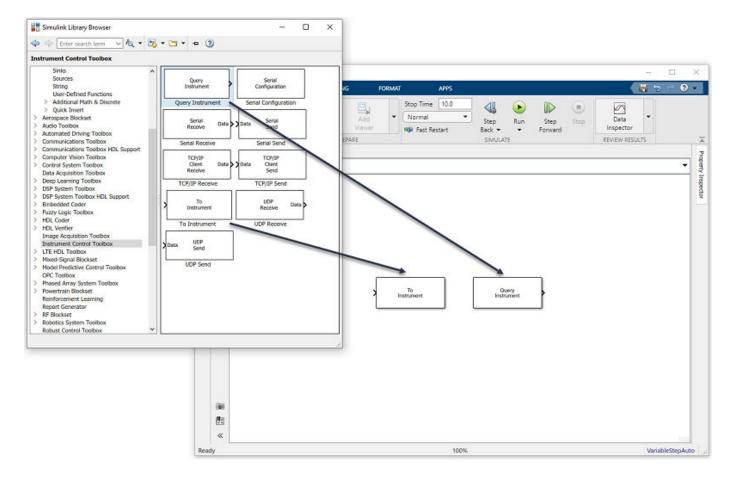
To use a block, add it to an existing model or create a new model.



# Step 3: Drag the Instrument Control Toolbox Blocks into the Model

To use a block in a model, drag the block from the library into the Simulink Editor. For this example, you need one instance of the To Instrument and the Query Instrument blocks in your model.

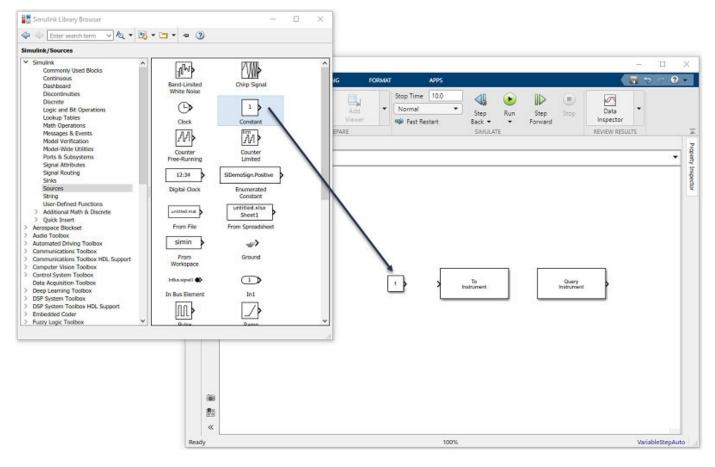
Note The To Instrument block can be used with these interfaces: VISA, GPIB, Serial, TCP/IP, and UDP. It is not supported on these interfaces: SPI, I2C, and Bluetooth.



### **Step 4: Drag Other Blocks to Complete the Model**

This example requires two more blocks. One block provides the data that is sent to the instrument; the other block displays the data received from the instrument.

Because the data sent to the instrument is constant, you can use the Constant block for this purpose. Access the block by expanding the **Simulink** node in the browser tree and clicking the **Sources** library entry. From the blocks in the right pane, drag the Constant block into the Simulink Editor and place it to the left of the To Instrument block.

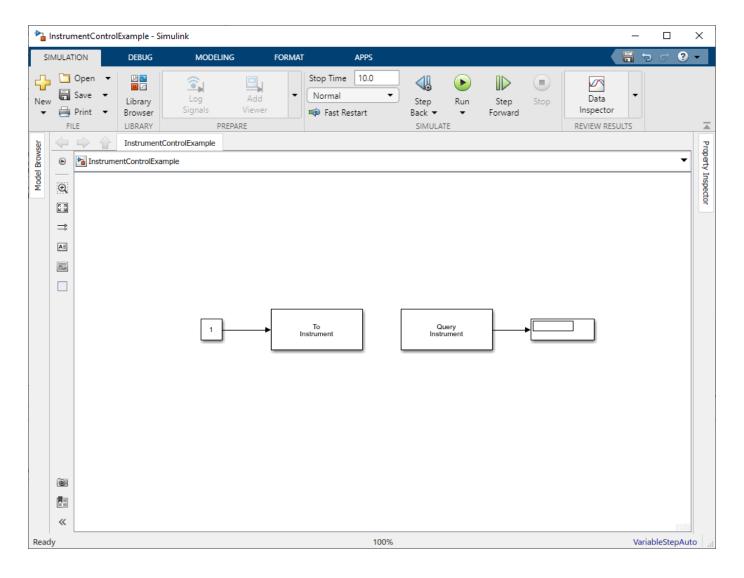


To display the data received from the instrument, you can use the Display block. To access the Display block, click the **Sinks** library entry in the expanded **Simulink** node in the browser tree. From the blocks displayed in the right pane, drag the Display block into the Simulink Editor and place it to the right of the Query Instrument block.

### **Step 5: Connect the Blocks**

Make a connection between the Constant block and the To Instrument block. A quick way to make the connection is to select the Constant block, press and hold the **Ctrl** key, and then click the To Instrument block.

In the same way, make the connection between the output port of the Query Instrument block and the input port of the Display block.

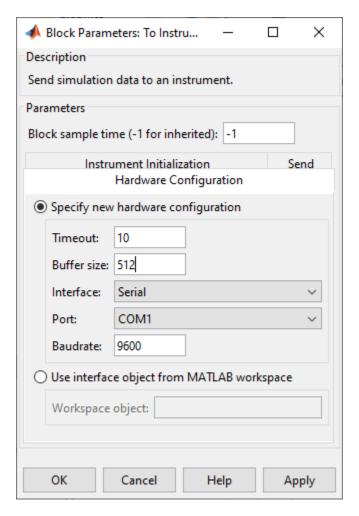


**Note** The two blocks do not directly connect within the model. The only communication between them is through the instrument, which is the loopback device connected to the serial port. Because the two blocks have no direct connection, you must consider their timing when running the model. The Query Instrument block does not get its input from the To Instrument block, so it has no way to know when the data from the instrument is available. Therefore, you must set the block parameters to write the data to the loopback before the model attempts to receive data from the loopback.

### **Step 6: Specify the Block Parameter Values**

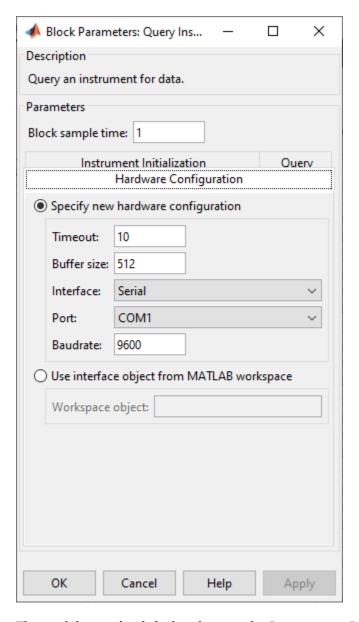
Set parameters for the blocks in your model by double-clicking the block.

Double-click the To Instrument block to open its parameters dialog box. Set **Port** to the port that your loopback device is connected to. For instructions, see "Find Serial Port Information for Your Platform" on page 6-9.



Click OK to close the dialog box.

Double-click the Query Instrument block to open its parameters dialog box. Make sure that the values on the **Hardware Configuration** tab match the Hardware values on the To Instrument block.

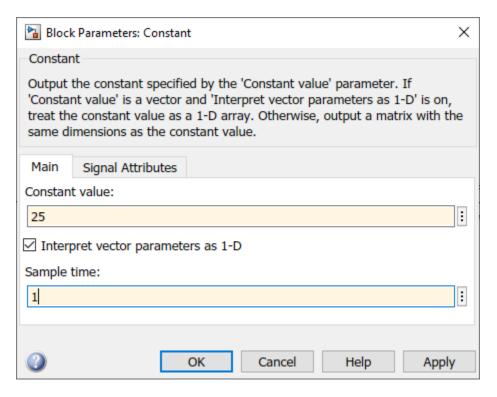


The model uses the default values on the **Instrument Initialization** and **Query** tabs of this block, so you do not need to modify any of their values.

Click **OK** to apply any changes and close the dialog box.

Double-click the Constant block to open its parameters dialog box. Change the Constant value to the value you want to send to the instrument. For this example:

- **Constant value** to 25.
- **Sample time** to 1.



Click OK.

For the Display block, you can use its default parameters.

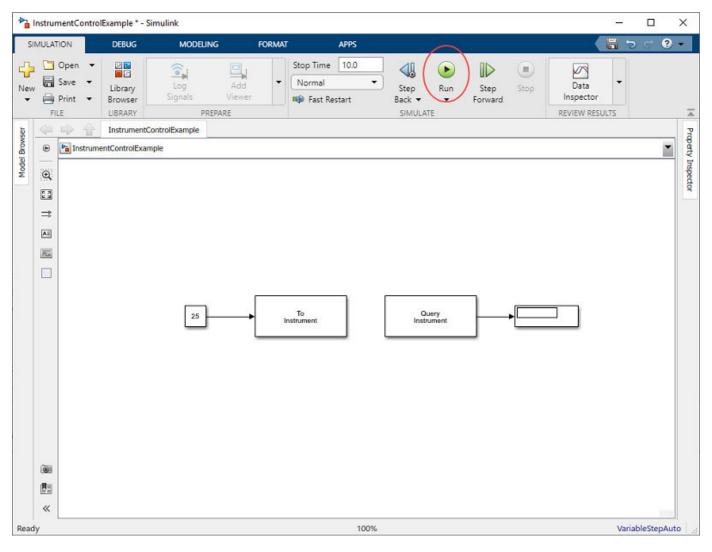
### Step 7: Specify the Block Priority

The block with the lowest number gets the highest priority. In the Simulink Editor, right-click a block and select **Properties**. Enter the priority number in the **Priority** field in the Block Properties dialog box. To ensure that the To Instrument block first completes writing data to the loopback before the Query Instrument block reads it, set the priority of the To Instrument block to 1 and the Query Instrument block to 2.

**Caution** You must set the correct priority for the blocks in your model. Otherwise you might see unexpected results.

# Step 8: Run the Simulation

To run the simulation, click the green **Run** button in the Simulink Editor toolstrip. You can use toolstrip options to specify how long to run the simulation and to stop a running simulation.



When you run the simulation, the constant value you specify (25) is written to the instrument (the serial loopback), received from the instrument, and shown in the Display block.

While the simulation is running, the status bar at the bottom of the Simulink Editor updates the progress of the simulation.

### **See Also**

To Instrument | Query Instrument

#### **More About**

"Send and Receive Data over TCP/IP Network" on page 22-14

### Send and Receive Data over TCP/IP Network

This example shows how to build a simple model using the Instrument Control Toolbox blocks in the block library in conjunction with other blocks in the Simulink library. This example also illustrates how to send data to an echo server using TCP/IP and to read that data back into your model.

In this example, you create an echo server on your machine that simulates sending a signal to the TCP/IP Send block and echo the result back to the Send block to send data. You then use the TCP/IP Receive block to read that same data back into your model.

**Note** Block names are not shown by default in the model. To display the hidden block names while working in the model, select **Display** and clear the **Hide Automatic Names** check box.

#### In this section...

- "Step 1: Create an Echo Server" on page 22-14
- "Step 2: Create a New Model" on page 22-14
- "Step 3: Open the Block Library" on page 22-15
- "Step 4: Drag the Instrument Control Toolbox Blocks into the Model" on page 22-16
- "Step 5: Drag the Sine Wave and Scope Blocks to Complete the Model" on page 22-16
- "Step 6: Connect the Blocks" on page 22-18
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- "Step 8: Specify the Block Priorities" on page 22-21
- "Step 9: Run the Simulation" on page 22-22
- "Step 10: View the Result" on page 22-23

### **Step 1: Create an Echo Server**

Open a port on your computer to work as an echo server that you can use to send and receive signals using TCP/IP. To create an echo server, run the following command in MATLAB.

```
echotcpip('on',50000)
```

Port 50000 opens on your machine to work as an echo server and turn it on.

### Step 2: Create a New Model

To start Simulink and create a new model, enter the following at the MATLAB command prompt.

simulink

On the Simulink start page, click **Blank Model** and then **Create Model**. An empty Editor window opens.

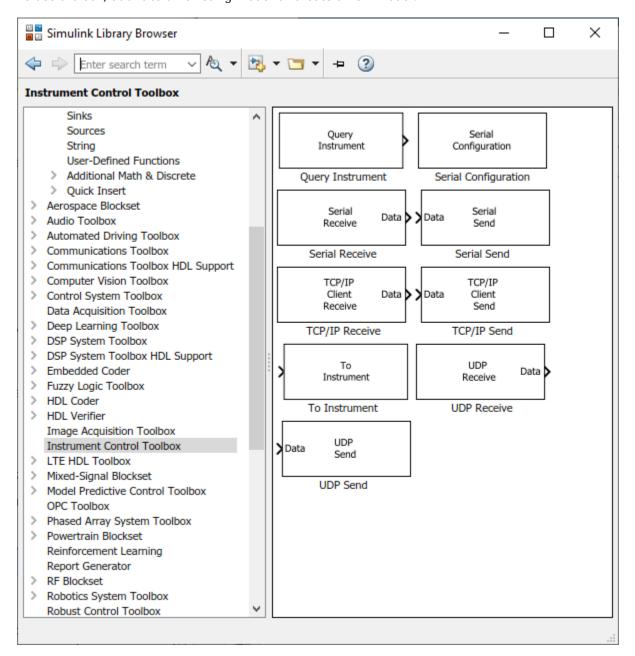
In the toolstrip, click **Save** to assign a name to your new model.

### **Step 3: Open the Block Library**

In the toolstrip, click **Library Browser** in the **Simulation** tab.

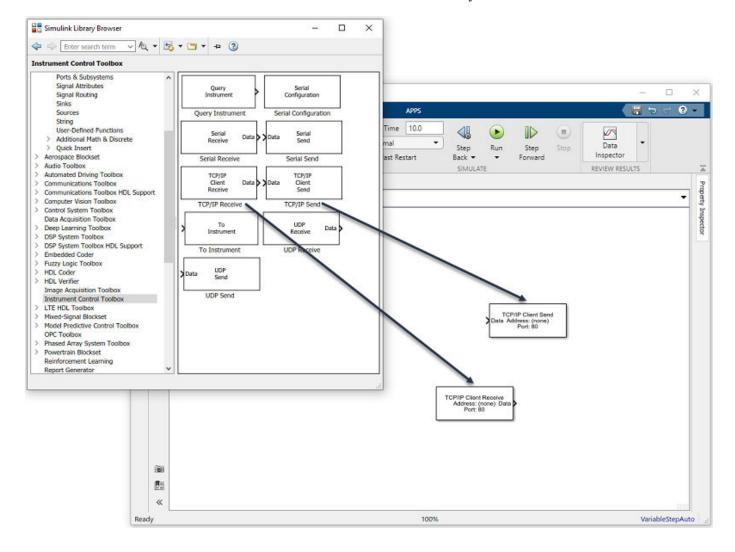
The Simulink Library Browser opens. The left pane contains a tree of available block libraries in alphabetical order. Click **Instrument Control Toolbox**.

To use a block, add it to an existing model or create a new model.



### Step 4: Drag the Instrument Control Toolbox Blocks into the Model

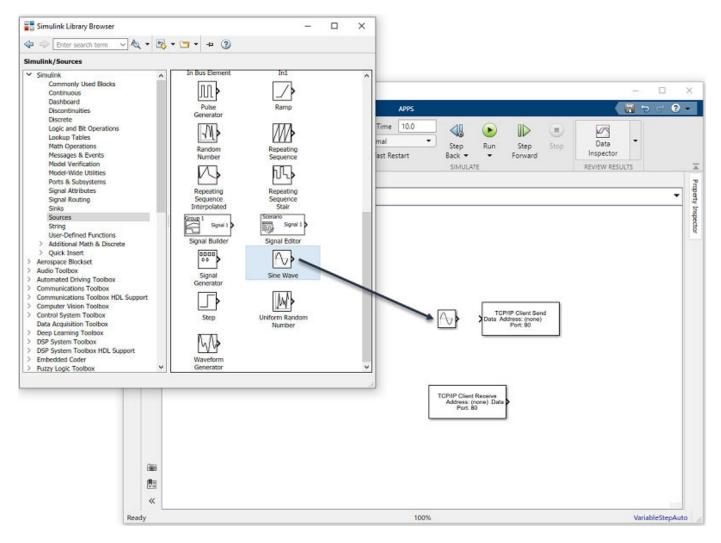
To use a block in a model, drag the block into the Simulink Editor. For this model, you need one instance of the TCP/IP Send and the TCP/IP Receive blocks in your model.



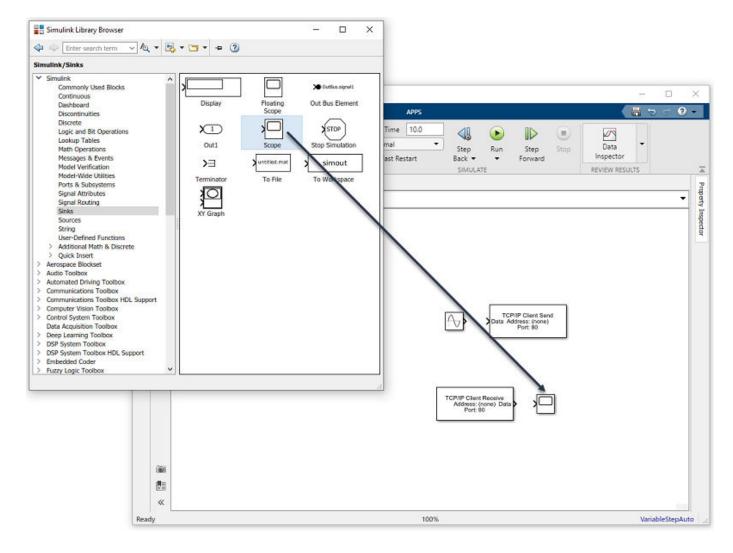
# Step 5: Drag the Sine Wave and Scope Blocks to Complete the Model

This example requires two more blocks. One block displays the data received from the TCP/IP Receive block and the other block is the data to be sent to the TCP/IP Send block.

The TCP/IP Send block needs a data source for data to be sent. Add the Sine Wave block to the model to send signals to the TCP/IP Send block. To access the Sine Wave block, expand the **Simulink** node in the browser tree, and click the **Sources** library entry. From the blocks in the right pane, drag the Sine Wave block into the model and place it to the left of the TCP/IP Send block.

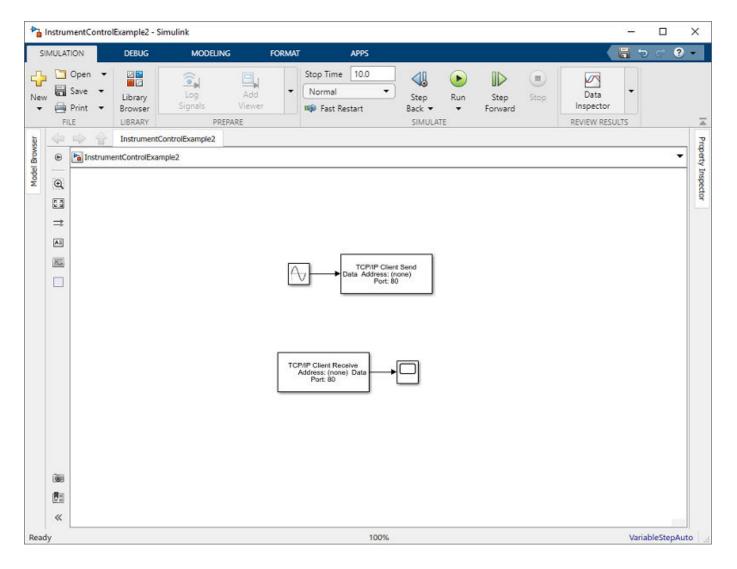


To display the data received by the TCP/IP Receive block, use the Scope block. To access this block, click the **Sinks** library entry in the expanded **Simulink** node in the browser tree. From the blocks in the right pane, drag the Display block into the model and place it to the right of the TCP/IP Receive block.



# **Step 6: Connect the Blocks**

Make a connection between the Sine Wave block and the TCP/IP Send block. A quick way to make the connection is to select the Sine Wave block, press and hold the **Ctrl** key, and then click the TCP/IP Send block. In the same way, make the connection between the output port of the TCP/IP Receive block and the input port of the Scope block.

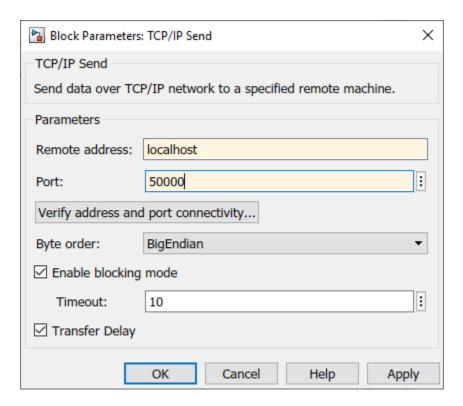


# **Step 7: Specify the Block Parameter Values**

Set parameters for the blocks in your model by double-clicking the block.

#### **Configure the Send Block**

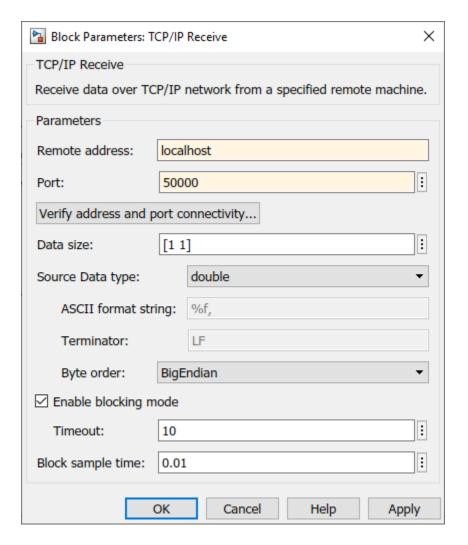
Double-click the TCP/IP Send block to open its parameters dialog box. Set the **Remote address** field to localhost and the **Port** field to 50000, since that is the address you set the echo server to when you started it.



Click Apply and then OK.

### **Configure the Receive Block**

Double-click the Receive block to open its parameters dialog box. Set the **Remote address** field to localhost and the **Port** field to 50000. Change the **Data type** to double. The **Block sample time** field is set to 0.01 by default. The block sample time here must match the one in the Sine Wave block, so confirm that they are both set to 0.01.



Click OK.

#### **Configure the Sine Wave Block**

Double-click the Sine Wave block to open its parameters dialog box. Set the **Sample time** field to 0.01.

Click OK.

# **Step 8: Specify the Block Priorities**

To run the simulation correctly, specify the order in which Simulink processes the blocks. Right-click the block and select **Properties**. Enter the priority number in the **Priority** field. For this example, set the priority of TCP/IP Send to 1 and TCP/IP Receive to 2.

**Caution** You must set the correct priority for the blocks in your model. Otherwise you might see unexpected results.

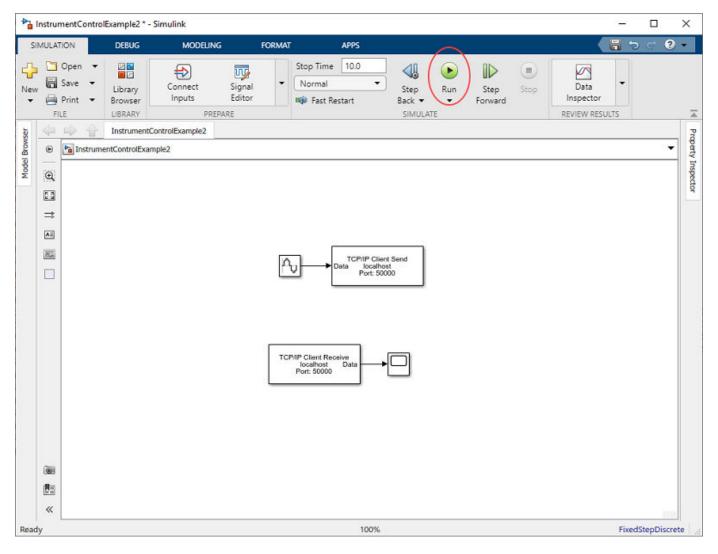
You also need to set two parameters on the model. In the Simulink toolstrip, click **Model Settings** from the **Prepare** section on the **Simulation** tab. In the Configuration Parameters dialog box, set the **Type** field to Fixed-step and set the **Solver** field to discrete (no continuous states).



Click OK.

### **Step 9: Run the Simulation**

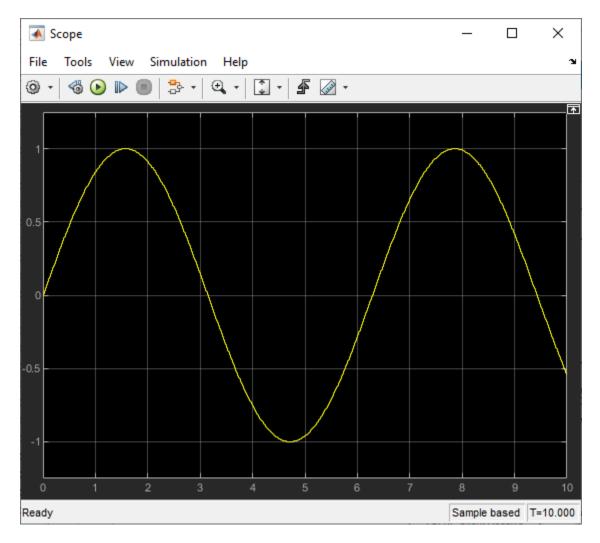
To run the simulation, click the green **Run** button on the Simulink Editor toolstrip. You can use toolstrip options to specify how long to run the simulation and to stop a running simulation.



While the simulation runs, the status bar at the bottom of the Simulink Editor updates the progress of the simulation.

# Step 10: View the Result

Double-click the Scope block to view the signal on a graph as it is received by the TCP/IP Receive block.



For more information about Instrument Control Toolbox blocks, see the blocks reference documentation.

### **See Also**

TCP/IP Receive | TCP/IP Send

### **More About**

"Send and Receive Data Through Serial Port Loopback" on page 22-5

# **Enable Blocking Mode in Receive and Send Blocks**

The **Enable blocking mode** parameter allows you to wait until the requested data is available for the block to receive or wait until all the data sends. You can disable this option to allow your simulation to run continuously. This parameter is available in the following blocks:

- Serial Receive
- Serial Send
- TCP/IP Receive
- TCP/IP Send
- UDP Receive
- UDP Send

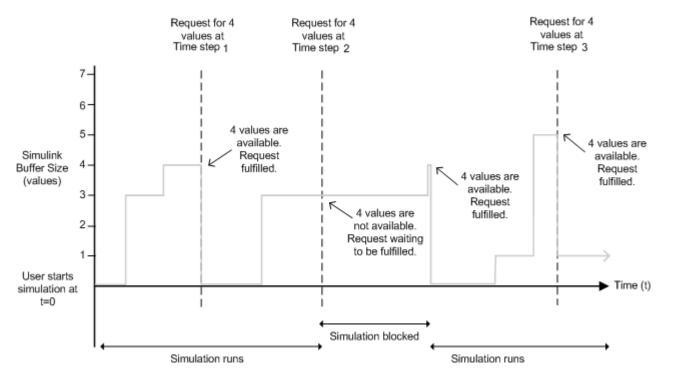
### **Blocking Mode**

The **Enable blocking mode** parameter is on by default.

#### **Receive Blocks**

If you enable blocking mode in the Serial Receive, TCP/IP Receive, and UDP Receive blocks, the simulation waits for the requested data to become available. The model waits for up to the amount of time specified by the **Timeout** parameter.

In this example, start the simulation at time t=0 and specify the **Data size** as [4,1]. Once the simulation starts, the data is acquired asynchronously in a FIFO buffer.



The blocking mode simulation occurs in the following steps.

- At time step 1: The Simulink software requests data and the buffer size is four values. The block fulfills the request without interrupting the simulation. The block resets the buffer size value to 0.
- At time step 2: The Simulink software requests data again, and the buffer size is only three values; therefore, the software blocks the simulation until it receives the fourth value. When the block receives the fourth value, it fulfills the request and resumes the simulation. The block resets the buffer size value to 0.
- At time step 3: When Simulink software requests data, the block has five values. It returns the first four that it received and resets the buffer size value to 1.

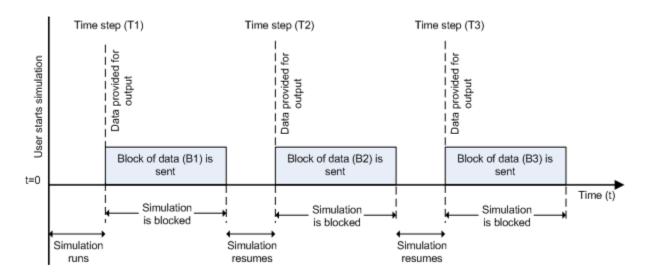
For each time step, if the requested data is not received within the amount of time specified in the **Timeout** field:

- The Serial Receive block takes the action specified by the **Action when data is not available** parameter.
- The TCP/IP Receive block outputs a value of 0.

#### **Send Blocks**

If you enable blocking mode in the Serial Send, TCP/IP Send, and UDP Send blocks, the simulation waits until the block sends complete data.

In this example, start the simulation at time t=0.



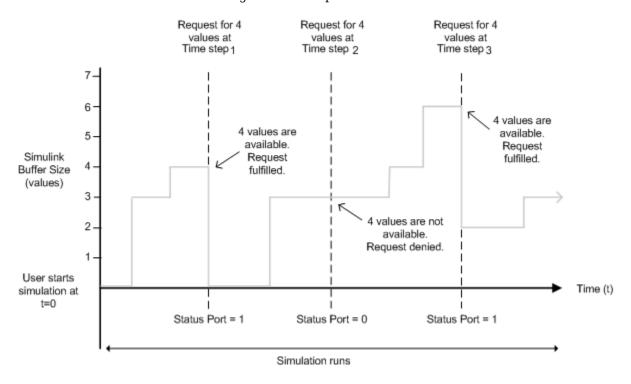
At time step (T1), data output is initiated and simulation stops until the block of data (B1) is sent. After the data is sent, simulation resumes until time step (T2), where the block initiates another data output and simulation is blocked until the block of data (B2) is sent, and the simulation resumes.

### Nonblocking Mode

Unselect the check box if you want the **Enable blocking mode** parameter to be off.

#### **Receive Blocks**

If you do not enable blocking mode in the Serial Receive, TCP/IP Receive, and UDP Receive blocks, the simulation runs continuously and the block has two output ports, **Status** and **Data**. The **Data** port contains the requested set of data at each time step. The **Status** port contains 0 or 1 based on whether it received new data at the given time step.



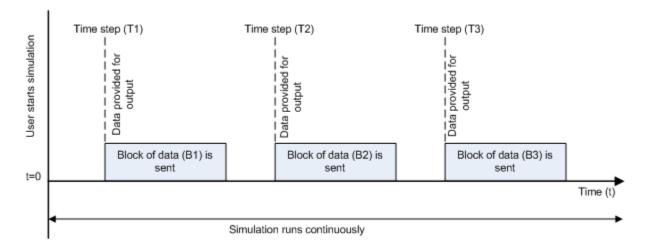
Here the simulation is not blocked and runs continuously.

- At time step 1: The Simulink software requests data and the buffer size is four values. The block fulfills the request and changes the **Status** port value to 1, indicating that new data is available. The **Data** port at this point contains the newly received values. The block resets the buffer size value to 0.
- At time step 2: The Simulink software requests data again, and the buffer size is only three values. The block cannot return a value of 3 because the data size is specified as 4. Therefore, the block sets the **Status** port value to 0, indicating that no new data is available. The **Data** port contains the previously received value or 0, depending on the block, and the buffer size is at three (the number of values it received since the last request was fulfilled).
- At time step 3: When the Simulink software requests data here, the buffer size is now six values. The block returns the first four in the order received and changes the **Status** port value to 1.

#### **Send Blocks**

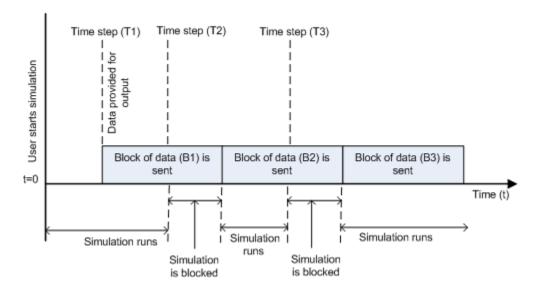
If you do not enable blocking mode in the Serial Send, TCP/IP Send, and UDP Send blocks, the simulation runs continuously.

#### Data output outpaces simulation speed



In this scenario, the data output outpaces the simulation speed. Data output is initiated at the first time step (T1) and the corresponding block of data (B1) is sent to the specified remote address asynchronously. The simulation runs continuously in this mode.

#### Simulation speed outpaces data output



In this scenario, the simulation speed outpaces the data acquisition.

- At time step T1: The block of data (B1) is sent asynchronously.
- At time step T2: The simulation is blocked until the block of data (B1) is sent completely. When B1 is completely sent, the new block of data (B2) is sent asynchronously, and the simulation resumes.

**Note** Several factors, including network connectivity and model complexity, can affect the simulation speed, which can cause both nonblocking scenarios to occur within the same simulation.

### See Also

Serial Receive | Serial Send | TCP/IP Receive | TCP/IP Send | UDP Receive | UDP Send

# **Timing in Hardware Interface Models**

### Simulation Time

When blocks in your Simulink model must interface with hardware devices, you might have to consider how long the simulation takes to run in real time versus simulation time, and how often and how many times the hardware interface blocks execute during a simulation. Usually your hardware communication rates are relative to real-world or "wall clock" time. You can adjust the duration of a simulation, the execution rate of the blocks, and the pacing of the model to accommodate your hardware requirements. This topic discusses basic timing concepts in hardware interface models, using fixed steps for block execution.

A model simulation has a duration defined by a start time and a stop time. The default duration is 10 units of simulation time (or simulated seconds). These simulation seconds are not necessarily equivalent to a real-time second as measured by a wall clock.

To adjust the model duration, open the model Configuration Parameters by clicking the Model **Settings** icon in the Modeling tab of the model editor toolstrip. Select **Solver** in the left pane. The Start time and Stop time settings define the duration. In most cases, Start time should be 0.0, and you can set **Stop time** to reflect the duration you want the model to have.

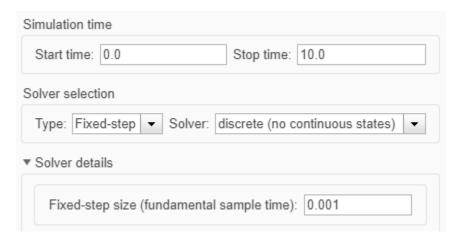
As a simulation runs, the clocking for block execution is performed by a series of timesteps. With a setting for an automatic solver with fixed timestep sizes, during compilation Simulink calculates the timestep frequency to accommodate the **Sample time** parameter settings of all the blocks in the model. For example, if all the timed blocks in the model have a Sample time setting of 0.01 or a multiple of that, then a timestep size of 0.01 works for the whole model.

### **Block Sample Time**

For models that interface with hardware devices, you might prefer fixed timesteps of a specified rate. For example, you might need millisecond resolution to control the timing relationship of your blocks. Set the timing options as follows:

• Start time: 0.0 • Stop time: 10.0 • Type: Fixed-step • Solver: discrete • Fixed-step size: 0.001

The dialog settings look like this figure:



In this model, a block with a default **Sample time** setting of 0.01 executes every tenth timestep, or 1001 times in a 10 second simulation. Another block that must run at twice the rate should have **Sample time** set to 0.005.

**Note** In most cases, you can leave the **Fixed-step size** setting to auto, allowing Simulink to calculate the appropriate fundamental sample time based on all the block settings.

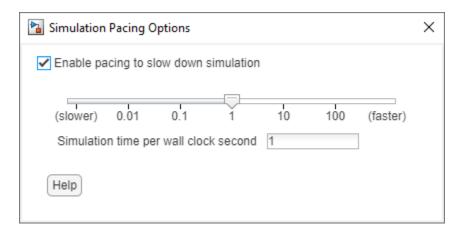
Because the simulation duration is 10 simulated seconds, and the **Sample time** period of the block is 0.01 simulated seconds, that block executes 1001 times in a complete simulation (including first and last step). The simulation runs as fast as its blocks can perform, and those 1001 executions might take significantly less than 10 seconds of wall clock time. So the simulation in real time is determined by how fast it can execute the blocks in the model for the required number of iterations. Often the purpose of simulation is to model behavior in a way that takes less time than it would in a real-world situation. In these cases, the sequence and repetition of block execution is important, while the actual span of real-world time might not be.

# **Pacing Model Simulation**

You might have a requirement for a model to interact with a hardware device by repeating some operation at fixed intervals of real-world time. For example, a block might repeatedly read data from a thermometer or send triggers for an external signal generator to output a pulse train.

If you set the block **Sample time** to 0.1, that would control the rate of block execution only in simulation time. To correlate simulation time to real time, you can use Simulation Pacing to slow down a simulation to run at the pace of real-world time. Access the Simulation Pacing Options dialog by clicking **Run** > **Simulation Pacing** in the Simulation tab of the model editor toolstrip

Check **Enable pacing to slow down simulation**, and set the slider ratio to 1 (the default). This causes simulation time to track as closely as possible with wall clock time, so 1 simulation second is approximately equal to 1 wall clock second.



With this pacing setting, a block **Sample time** of 0.1 is approximately equal to 0.1 wall clock seconds, resulting in ten block executions per second. So a block that generates a device output pulse every 0.1 simulation seconds, now puts out 10 pulses per wall clock second.

### See Also

### **More About**

- "What Is Sample Time?" (Simulink)
- "Simulation Pacing" (Simulink)

# **Functions**

# **Test and Measurement Tool**

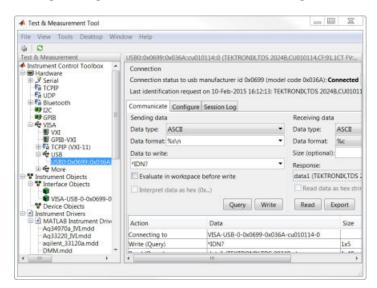
Control oscilloscopes and other instruments

# **Description**

The **Test & Measurement Tool** enables you to configure and control resources, such as instruments, serial devices, drivers, and interfaces, through Instrument Control Toolbox without having to write a MATLAB script.

Use the Test & Measurement Tool to manage your session with the toolbox. You can:

- · Detect available hardware and drivers.
- Connect to an instrument or device.
- Configure instrument or device settings.
- · Read and write data.
- Automatically generate the MATLAB script.
- · Visualize acquired data.
- Export acquired data to the MATLAB workspace.



# Open the Test and Measurement Tool App

- MATLAB Toolstrip: On the Apps tab, under Test and Measurement, click the app icon.
- MATLAB command prompt: Enter tmtool.

# **Examples**

"Using the Test & Measurement Tool" on page 17-4

### **Programmatic Use**

tmtool opens the Test & Measurement Tool, which enables you to configure and control resources, such as instruments, serial devices, drivers, and interfaces, accessible through the Instrument Control Toolbox.

### See Also

### **Topics**

"Using the Test & Measurement Tool" on page 17-4

#### **Introduced before R2006a**

# **Serial Explorer**

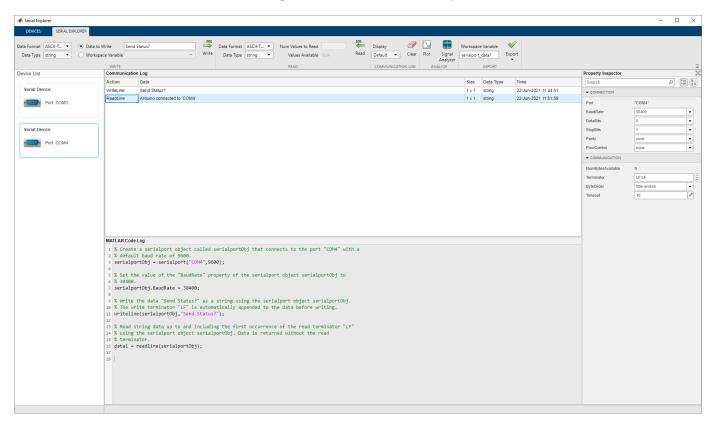
Communicate with devices connected to serial port

# **Description**

The **Serial Explorer** app creates a connection to a serial port on your machine. After you connect to a serial port, you can communicate with it, plot and analyze data, export data to the workspace, and generate MATLAB code.

Using this app, you can:

- · Configure serial port communication properties.
- Send binary or string data to the connected serial port.
- · Read binary or string data sent from the connected serial port.
- Plot data in a figure window.
- Analyze data by viewing it in the Signal Analyzer app.
- Export data to the workspace.
- Generate a MATLAB Live Script file that uses the serialport interface.



# **Open the Serial Explorer App**

- MATLAB Toolstrip: On the **Apps** tab, under **Test and Measurement**, click the app icon.
- MATLAB command prompt: Enter serialExplorer.

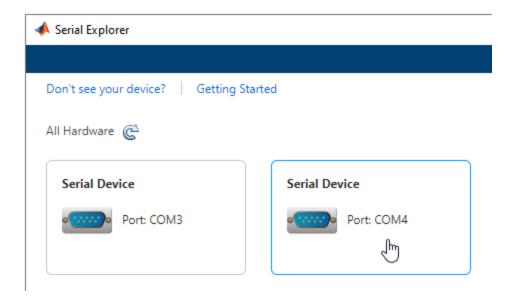
### **Examples**

#### Write ASCII-Terminated Command to Serial Port and Read Response

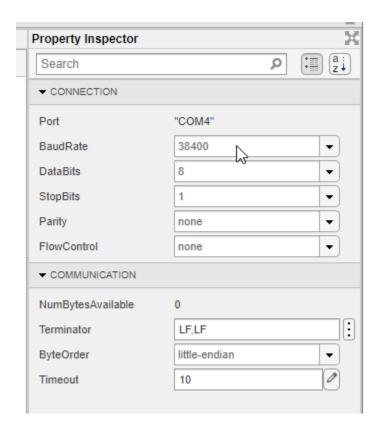
In this example, write ASCII-terminated data to a serial port device and read data back from it. The device in this example is an Arduino<sup>®</sup> Uno that has already been programmed with custom commands and responses.

Open the **Serial Explorer** app either from the **Apps** tab in the MATLAB toolstrip or the MATLAB command prompt.

Select the serial port device that you want to communicate with. In this example, the device is connected to COM4.

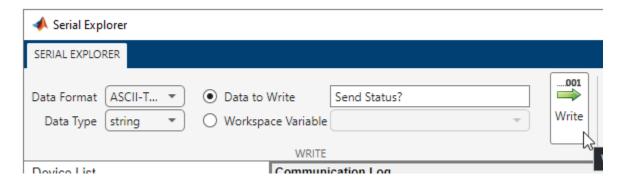


Configure **Connection** and **Communication** properties from the **Property Inspector**. Specify these device properties before writing and reading data to match the appropriate value for the connected device. For this example, change the **BaudRate** to 38400.



Some serial port devices can accept string queries and respond to them. In this example, the connected Arduino Uno has been programmed to receive and respond to customized string commands. The commands in this example do not work for other devices.

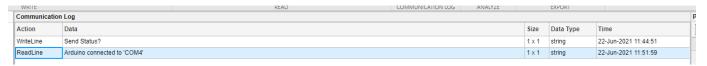
Send the Send Status? command to the device. In the **Write** section, set the **Data Format** to ASCII-Terminated String. The **Data Type** changes to string since that is the only possible option. Specify the **Data to Write** as Send Status?. Click **Write** to write the data to the serial port device. For ASCII-terminated string write operations, the write terminator specified by the **Terminator** property is automatically appended to the data being written.



You can view the response to this command by reading from the serial port device. In the **Read** section, set the **Data Format** to ASCII-Terminated String, which changes the **Data Type** to string. Read the data from the device by clicking **Read**. Data is read until the first occurrence of a terminator.



View both the write and read operations in the **Communication Log** pane. The read operation shows the message Arduino connected to 'COM4'. You can select a row to export it as a variable to the workspace by following the steps in "Export Data from Communication Log and Generate MATLAB Script" on page 23-15.



The **MATLAB Code Log** pane shows the code for these operations. You can export this code as a MATLAB Live Script file by following the steps in "Export Data from Communication Log and Generate MATLAB Script" on page 23-15.

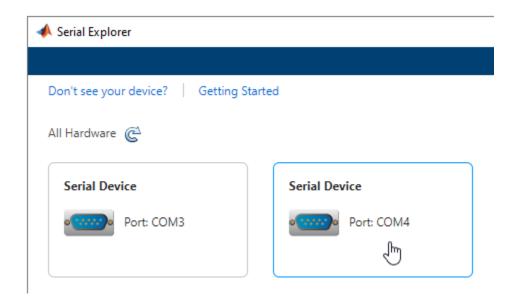
```
MATLAB Code Log
1 % Create a serialport object called serialportObj that connects to the port "COM4" with a
2 % default baud rate of 9600.
   serialportObj = serialport("COM4",9600);
4
  % Set the value of the "BaudRate" property of the serialport object serialportObj to
5
6 % 38400.
  serialportObj.BaudRate = 38400;
8
  % Write the data "Send Status?" as a string using the serialport object serialportObj.
10 % The write terminator "LF" is automatically appended to the data before writing.
11
  writeline(serialportObj, "Send Status?");
12
13 % Read string data up to and including the first occurrence of the read terminator "LF"
14 % using the serialport object serialportObj. Data is returned without the read
15 % terminator.
16
  data1 = readline(serialportObj);
17
18
```

### Read Binary Data from Serial Port and Plot It

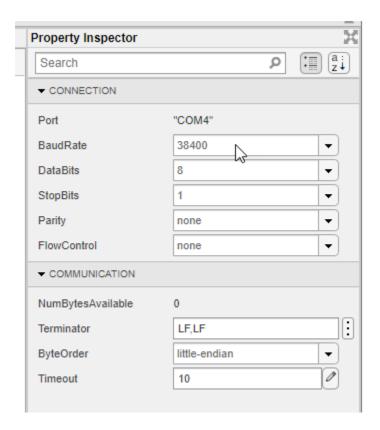
In this example, write ASCII-terminated data to a serial port device and read data back from it. The device in this example is an Arduino Uno that has already been programmed with custom commands and responses.

Open the  $\bf Serial\ Explorer$  app from either the  $\bf Apps$  tab in the MATLAB toolstrip or the MATLAB command prompt.

Select the serial port device that you want to communicate with. In this example, the device is connected to COM4.

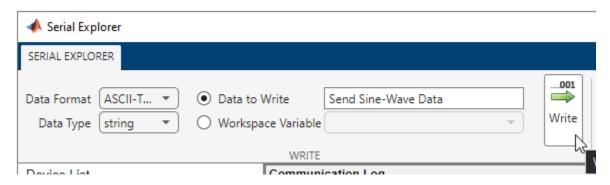


Configure **Connection** and **Communication** properties from the **Property Inspector**. Specify these device properties before writing and reading data to match the appropriate value for the connected device. For this example, change the **BaudRate** to 38400.



Some serial port devices can accept string queries and respond to them. In this example, the connected Arduino Uno has been programmed to receive and respond to customized string commands. The commands in this example do not work for other devices.

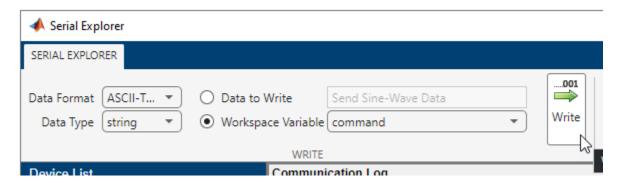
Send the Send Sine-Wave Data command to the device. In the **Write** section, set the **Data Format** to ASCII-Terminated String. The **Data Type** changes to string since that is the only possible option. Specify the **Data to Write** as Send Sine-Wave Data. Click **Write** to write the data to the serial port device. For ASCII-terminated string write operations, the write terminator specified by the **Terminator** property is automatically appended to the data being written.



Send another command to the device. In the MATLAB command prompt, create a workspace variable for this command.

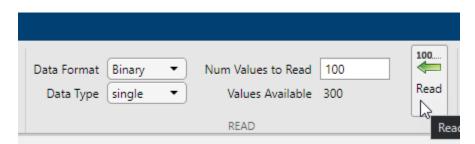
command = "Send Arbitrary Waveform";

Select **Workspace Variable** and select the **command** option. Click **Write**.



Before reading data from the serial port device, you must specify the correct data format and type. In this example, the responses to the string commands are stored as binary data with single precision. In the **Read** section, set the **Data Format** to Binary, and the **Data Type** to single. The **Values Available** parameter is 300. The first 100 values are the response to the Send Sine-Wave Data command and the remaining 200 values are the response to the Send Arbitrary Waveform command.

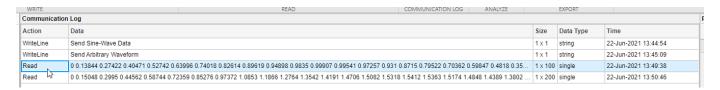
Specify the **Num Values to Read** as **100**. Read the first 100 values of the data from the serial port device by clicking **Read**.



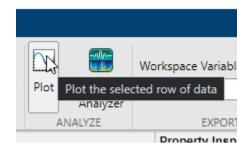
If you do not specify a value for the **Num Values to Read** parameter, you can read all the available values. Read the remaining 200 values by clearing the **Num Values to Read** parameter and clicking **Read**.



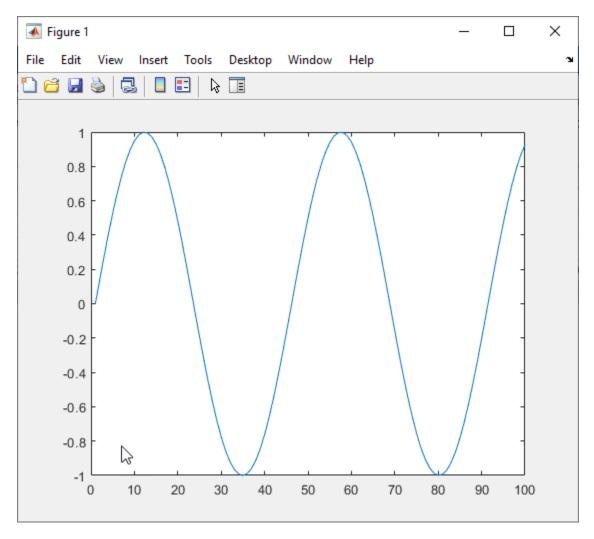
View both the write and read operations in the **Communication Log** pane. You can select a row to plot it, view it in the **Signal Analyzer** app, or export it as a variable to the workspace. Select the data from the first read operation.



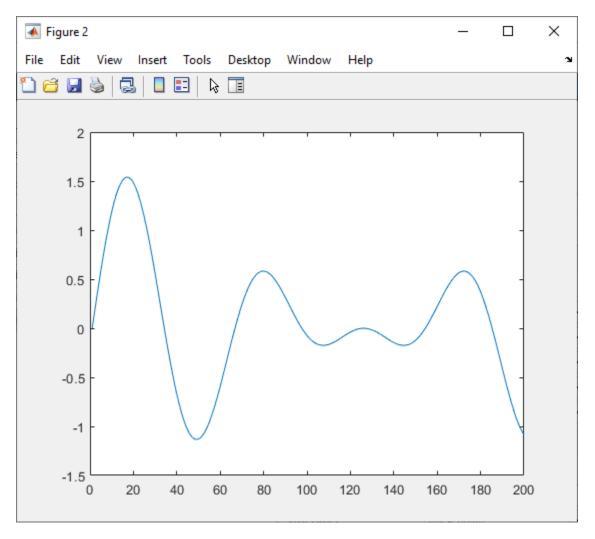
Click **Plot** in the **Analyze** section.



A new figure window with a plot of the data opens. You can modify the plot and figure from the command window.



Select the other response data and click  ${f Plot}$  again. Another figure window with a plot of the data opens.



The **MATLAB Code Log** pane shows the code for these operations (except for plot creation). You can export this code as a MATLAB Live Script file by following the steps in "Export Data from Communication Log and Generate MATLAB Script" on page 23-15.

```
1 % Create a serialport object called serialportObj that connects to the port "COM4" with a
2 % default baud rate of 9600.
3 serialportObj = serialport("COM4",9600);
5 % Set the value of the "BaudRate" property of the serialport object serialportObj to
6 % 38400.
7 serialportObj.BaudRate = 38400;
8
9 % Write the data "Send Sine-Wave Data" as a string using the serialport object
10 % serialportObj. The write terminator "LF" is automatically appended to the data before writing.
11 writeline(serialportObj, "Send Sine-Wave Data");
12
13 % "command" is a workspace variable.
14 % Write the data command as a string using the serialport object serialportObj. The write
15 % terminator "LF" is automatically appended to the data before writing.
16 writeline(serialportObj,command);
17
18 % Read 100 values of single data using the serialport object serialportObj.
19 data1 = read(serialportObj,100, "single");
20
21 % Read 200 values of single data using the serialport object serialportObj.
22 data2 = read(serialportObj,200, "single");
23
24
```

### **Plot Data from Communication Log**

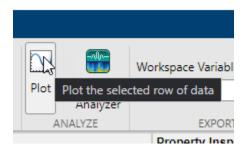
In this example, plot a row of data from the **Communication Log** in a new figure window. You can plot any numeric data that you have written to or read from the serial port.

The **Communication Log** captures all the data that you have written to or read from the connected serial port.

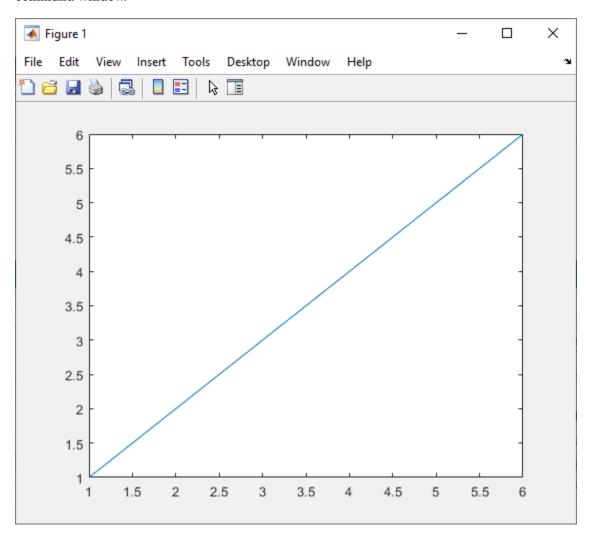
Select a row of data.

WRITE		READ	CC	MMUNICATION	LOG ANALYZE			
Communication Log								
Action	Data		Size	Data Type	Time	1		
Write	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10		1 x 10	uint8	21-Jun-2021 10:48:16	1		
Read	123456		1 x 6	uint8	21-Jun-2021 10:49:58	r		
Read	7 8 9 10		1 x 4	uint8	21-Jun-2021 10:54:38			

Click **Plot** in the **Analyze** section.



A new figure window with a plot of the data opens. You can modify the plot and figure from the command window.



### **Export Data from Communication Log and Generate MATLAB Script**

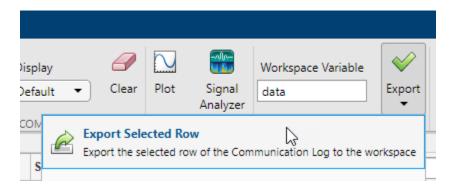
In this example, use the different options for exporting data and app interactions.

The **Communication Log** captures all the data that you have written to or read from the connected serial port.

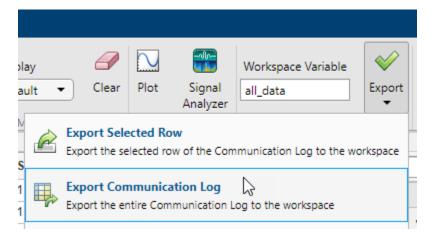
Select a row of data.



Export this row of data to the workspace as the variable specified in **Workspace Variable**. The app provides a default variable name, but you can edit it. Change the variable name, click **Export**, and select the **Export Selected Row** option.



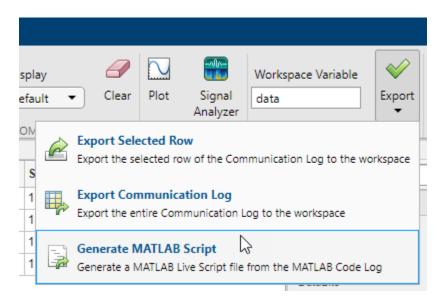
You can also export the entirety of the **Communication Log** to the workspace as a timetable. Change the variable name, click **Export**, and select the **Export Communication Log** option.



Besides exporting data, you can also export the code from the **MATLAB Code Log** pane. This pane contains all serialport object creation, write, read, and property configuration operations that you do in the app.

```
1 % Create a serialport object called serialportObj that connects to the port "COM4" with a
2 % default baud rate of 9600.
3 serialportObj = serialport("COM4",9600);
5 % Set the value of the "BaudRate" property of the serialport object serialportObj to
6 % 38400.
7 serialportObj.BaudRate = 38400;
8
  % Write the data "Send Sine-Wave Data" as a string using the serialport object
10 % serialportObj. The write terminator "LF" is automatically appended to the data before writing.
11 writeline(serialportObj, "Send Sine-Wave Data");
12
13 % "command" is a workspace variable.
14 % Write the data command as a string using the serialport object serialportObj. The write
15 % terminator "LF" is automatically appended to the data before writing.
16 writeline(serialportObj,command);
17
18 % Read 100 values of single data using the serialport object serialportObj.
19 data1 = read(serialportObj,100, "single");
20
21 % Read 200 values of single data using the serialport object serialportObj.
22 data2 = read(serialportObj,200, "single");
23
24
```

Generate a MATLAB Live Script file and open it in the Live Editor by clicking **Export** and selecting the **Generate MATLAB Script** option.



After the Live Script file opens, you can modify the code to fit your needs and save the file.

### **Parameters**

#### **Write Section**

### **Data Format — Select type of write operation**

Binary (default) | ASCII-Terminated String

You can write Binary or ASCII-Terminated String data to the serial port.

A Binary write is equivalent to the write function and an ASCII-Terminated String write is equivalent to the writeline function.

### Data Type — Select MATLAB data type to write

uint8 | int8 | uint16 | int16 | uint32 | int32 | uint64 | int64 | single | double | char | string

Specify the data type of the data to write to the serial port. This parameter determines the number of bytes to write for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

### **Dependencies**

If you set the **Data Format** to ASCII-Terminated String, the only possible value for this parameter is string.

If you set the **Data Format** to Binary, the default value of this parameter is uint8.

This parameter can be set to uint64 or int64 only if you select the **Workspace Variable** option instead of **Data to Write**.

### Data to Write — Specify numeric or ASCII data to write

numeric | character vector | string scalar

Specify the data to write to serial port. The data is written as the type specified by **Data Type**, regardless of the format in this parameter.

Select either this parameter or **Workspace Variable** to write data.

### Workspace Variable — Select workspace variable to write

workspace variable

Select an existing workspace variable to write to the serial port. The data is written as the type specified by **Data Type**, regardless of the data type of the variable in the workspace.

If **Data Format** is Binary, you can select the following types of workspace variables:

- Row (1-by-N) or column (N-by-1) vector of numeric values
- 1-by-N character vector
- 1-by-1 string scalar

If **Data Format** is ASCII-Terminated String, you can select the following types of workspace variables:

- 1-by-N character vector
- 1-by-1 string scalar

Select either this parameter or **Data to Write** to write data.

### Write — Write data using specified settings

button

Click this button to write the data specified in **Data to Write** or **Workspace Variable** to the serial port as the specified **Data Type**. If **Data Format** is ASCII-Terminated String, the write terminator specified by the **Terminator** property is automatically appended to the data being written.

This button is equivalent to performing the write or writeline functions.

#### **Read Section**

### Data Format — Select type of read operation

Binary (default) | ASCII-Terminated String

Read Binary or ASCII-Terminated String data from the serial port. A Binary read is equivalent to the read function and an ASCII-Terminated String read is equivalent to the readline function.

### Data Type — Select MATLAB data type to read

uint8 | int8 | uint16 | int16 | uint32 | int32 | uint64 | int64 | single | double | char | string

Specify the data type of the data to read from the serial port. This parameter determines the number of bytes to read for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

#### **Dependencies**

If you set the **Data Format** to ASCII-Terminated String, the only possible value for this parameter is string.

If you set the **Data Format** to Binary, the default value of this parameter is uint8.

# Num Values to Read — Specify number of values of selected Data Type to read numeric

Specify the number of values to read as a positive integer. This parameter must be less than or equal to **Values Available**. If you leave this parameter empty, the app reads all available values from the serial port using the specified **Data Type**.

### **Dependencies**

To enable this parameter, set **Data Format** to Binary.

# Values Available — Maximum possible number of values of selected Data Type that can be read

numeric

This property is read-only.

This is the number of values available to read in the format specified by **Data Type**.

### **Dependencies**

To enable this parameter, set **Data Format** to Binary.

### Read — Read data using specified settings

button

Click this button to read data from the serial port. If **Data Format** is **Binary**, read the number of values specified by **Num Values to Read** in the form specified by **Data Type**. If **Data Format** is **ASCII-Terminated String**, read data until the first occurrence of the read terminator specified by the **Terminator** property.

This button is equivalent to the read or readline functions.

### **Communication Log Section**

### Display — Select format to view data in Communication Log

Default (default) | Binary | ASCII | Hexadecimal

View the data in the **Data** column of the **Communication Log** as Binary, ASCII, or Hexadecimal, as applicable based on the data type. This parameter does not change the original value or data type of the data. For more information about these formats, see "Data Type Conversion".

### Clear — Clear Communication Log

button

Click this button to clear all the contents of the **Communication Log**.

### **Analyze Section**

### Plot — Plot selected row of data

button

Click this button to open a new figure window that plots the data currently selected in the **Communication Log**. You can select only one row of data, and the selected data must be numeric.

Unlike Write and Read, this operation is not captured in the MATLAB Code Log pane.

### Signal Analyzer — View selected row of data in Signal Analyzer app

button

Click this button to launch the **Signal Analyzer** app and send it the data currently selected in the **Communication Log**. You can select only one row of data, and the selected data must be a numeric vector.

You must have Signal Processing Toolbox™ installed to use the **Signal Analyzer** app.

### **Export Section**

### Workspace Variable — Specify name of workspace variable to export data to

valid variable name

Edit the name of the workspace variable that you want to export data to. The Export Selected Row and Export Communication Log options in **Export** save your data in the workspace as the variable specified by this parameter.

You must specify a valid MATLAB variable name that does not already exist in the workspace. If you specify an invalid name, it is automatically changed to a valid variable name.

### Export — Export Communication Log data or MATLAB code

Export Selected Row | Export Communication Log | Generate MATLAB Script

Click this button to select one of the following options for exporting data from this app:

- Export Selected Row Save the data currently selected in the **Communication Log** to the workspace as the variable specified by **Workspace Variable**.
- Export Communication Log Save all of the **Communication Log** data to the workspace as a timetable with the variable name specified by **Workspace Variable**.
- Generate MATLAB Script Generate a MATLAB Live Script file populated with the content in **MATLAB Code Log** and open it in the Live Editor.

### **Property Inspector**

### Port — Connected serial port

string scalar

This property is read-only.

Name of the connected serial port, returned as a character vector.

### **BaudRate** — Communication speed

9600 (default) | 1200 | 2400 | 4800 | 14400 | 19200 | 38400 | 57600 | 115200 | 230400 | 460800 | 500000 | 576000 | 921600 | 1000000 | numeric

Rate at which bits are transmitted for the serial interface, in bits per second. You can select one of the available options or specify your own value.

### DataBits — Number of bits to represent one character of data

8 (default) | 5 | 6 | 7

Number of data bits to transmit over the serial interface.

### StopBits — Pattern of bits that indicates end of character

1 (default) | 1.5 | 2

Number of bits used to indicate the end of a byte.

### Parity — Parity bit type

none (default) | even | odd

Parity bit type added to data transmitted by serial port. You can use this parameter to add a parity bit (also referred to as a check bit) to your data. Adding a parity bit to a string of binary code is a method of detecting errors in data transmission by ensuring that the total number of 1-bits is even or odd.

The value of the parity bit is determined by the number of 1s in a given set of bits and is set as follows.

Parity Bit Type	Parity Bit Value		
	If number of 1s is even	If number of 1s is odd	
none	No parity bit set	No parity bit set	
even	0	1	
odd	1	0	

### FlowControl — Mode for managing data transmission rate

none (default) | hardware | software

Process of managing the rate of data transmission on your serial port. Select none to have no flow control, hardware to let your hardware determine the flow control, or software to let your software determine the flow control.

### NumBytesAvailable — Number of bytes available to read

numeric

This property is read-only.

Number of bytes available to read, returned as a numeric value.

### Terminator — Terminator characters for data

LF (default) | CR | CR/LF | 0 to 255

Terminator characters for reading and writing ASCII-terminated data, specified as LF, CR, CR/LF, or a number from 0 to 255. The read terminator is followed by the write terminator and the two are

separated by a comma. Click the vertical ellipsis icon it to specify read and write terminator character values separately.

### ByteOrder — Sequential order of bytes

little-endian (default) | big-endian

Sequential order in which bytes are arranged into larger numerical values. If the byte order is little-endian, then the serial port stores the first byte in the first memory address. If the byte order is big-endian, then the serial port stores the last byte in the first memory address.

Configure the byte order to match the appropriate value for your serial port.

### Timeout — Allowed time to complete operations

10 (default) | numeric

Allowed time in seconds to complete read operations, specified as a numeric value.

### See Also

### Apps

**TCP/IP Explorer** 

#### **Functions**

serialport

### Introduced in R2021b

## TCP/IP Explorer

Connect to and communicate with TCP/IP server

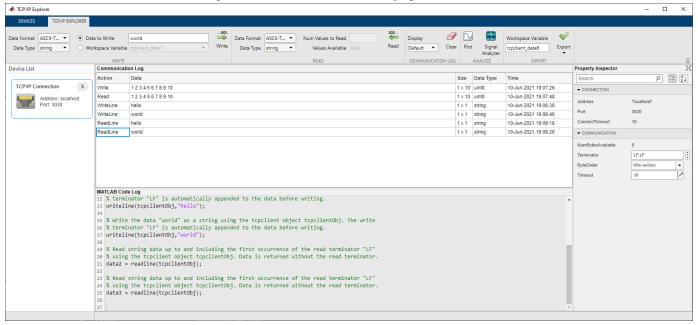
## **Description**

The **TCP/IP Explorer** app creates a TCP/IP client connection to an existing TCP/IP server. After you connect to a server, you can communicate with it, plot and analyze data, export data to the workspace, and generate MATLAB code.

Using this app, you can:

- Configure TCP/IP communication properties.
- Send binary or string data from the TCP/IP client to the connected server.
- Read binary or string data sent to the TCP/IP client from the connected server.
- · Plot data in a figure window.
- Analyze data by viewing it in the **Signal Analyzer** app.
- Export data to the workspace.
- Generate a MATLAB Live Script file that uses the tcpclient interface.

You can use this app only as a client and not as a server. For information on creating a TCP/IP server, see "Communicate Using TCP/IP Server Sockets" on page 7-34.



## Open the TCP/IP Explorer App

• MATLAB Toolstrip: On the **Apps** tab, under **Test and Measurement**, click the app icon.

• MATLAB command prompt: Enter tcpipExplorer.

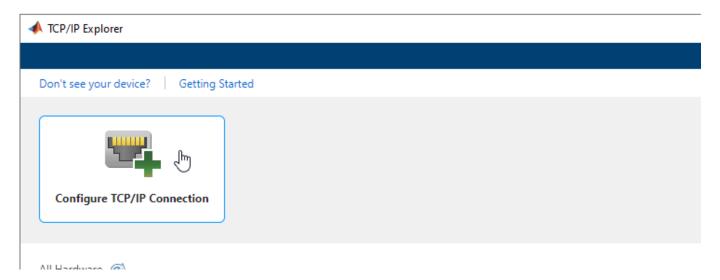
### **Examples**

### Connect TCP/IP Client to TCP/IP Server

In this example, connect to a TCP/IP server.

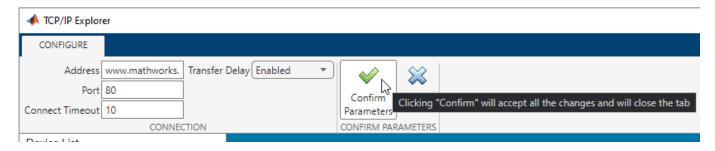
Open the **TCP/IP Explorer** app from either the **Apps** tab in the MATLAB toolstrip or the MATLAB command prompt.

Click Configure TCP/IP Connection.



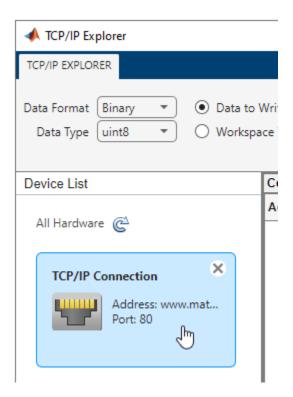
Specify **Address** as the server host name www.mathworks.com and **Port** as the server port 80. You can leave the **Connect Timeout** as the default value of 10 and the **Transfer Delay** as the default value of Enabled. For more information about these parameters, see "Configure Connection in TCP/IP Explorer" on page 7-11.

Click **Confirm Parameters** to create a TCP/IP client connected to the specified TCP/IP server.

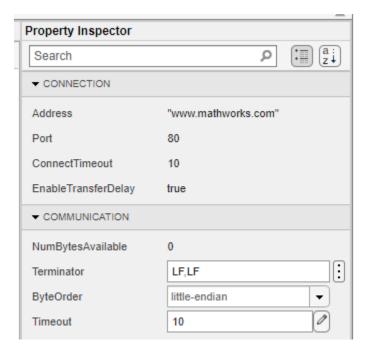


Alternatively, you can specify **Address** as the server IP address. In this example, the IP address for the host name is 144.212.130.17.

The **TCP/IP Explorer** tab opens in the app and your client **TCP/IP Connection** appears in the **Device List**.



View **Connection** properties and configure **Communication** properties from the **Property Inspector**. You can specify the **Terminator**, **ByteOrder**, and **Timeout** properties of the server before writing and reading data.

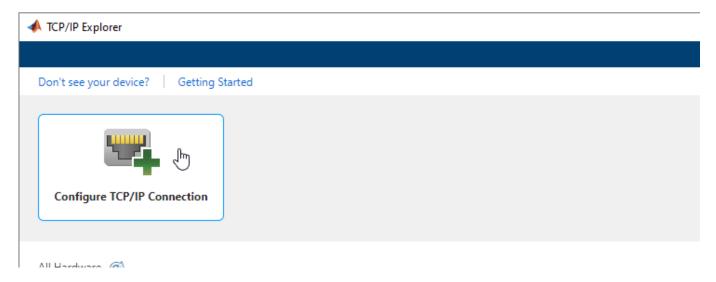


### Write ASCII-Terminated Data to TCP/IP Client and Read Response

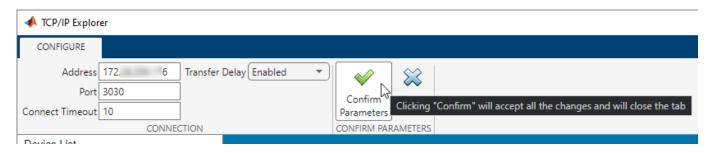
In this example, write ASCII-terminated data to a TCP/IP client connected to a server and read data back from it. The TCP/IP server in this example has already been programmed with custom commands and responses.

Open the **TCP/IP Explorer** app from either the **Apps** tab in the MATLAB toolstrip or the MATLAB command prompt.

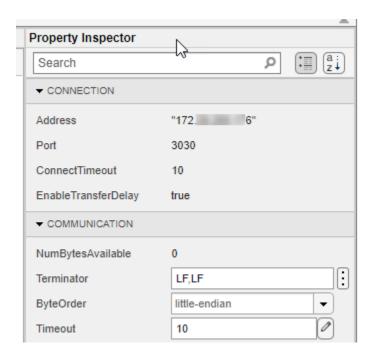
Click Configure TCP/IP Connection.



Specify **Address** as the server address and **Port** as the server port to connect to the server. The values specified in this example are specific to this server and do not work on other machines. You can leave the **Connect Timeout** as the default value of 10. Click **Confirm Parameters** to create a TCP/IP client connected to the specified server.

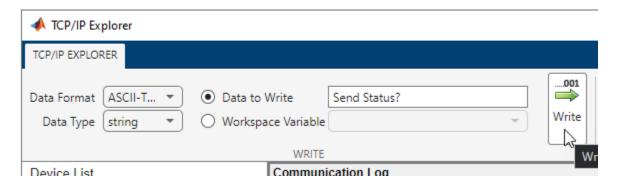


Before writing or reading data, you can modify **Communication** properties from the **Property Inspector**. Ensure that these properties match the appropriate values for the server. For this example, the values shown already match the server configuration.



Some TCP/IP clients can accept string queries to send to the server and respond to them. In this example, the connected server has been programmed to receive and respond to customized string commands. The commands in this example do not work for other clients.

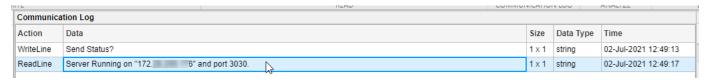
Send the Send Status? command from the client to the server. In the **Write** section, set the **Data Format** to ASCII-Terminated String. The **Data Type** changes to string since that is the only possible option. Specify the **Data to Write** as Send Status?. Click **Write** to write the data from the client to the server. For ASCII-terminated string write operations, the write terminator specified by the **Terminator** property is automatically appended to the data being written.



You can view the response to this command by reading from the client. In the **Read** section, set the **Data Format** to ASCII-Terminated String, which changes the **Data Type** to string. Read the data sent to the client from the server by clicking **Read**. Data is read until the first occurrence of a terminator.



View both the write and read operations in the **Communication Log** pane. The read operation shows the message Server Running on "172.XX.XXX.XXX" and port 3030.. You can select a row to export it as a variable to the workspace by following the steps in "Export Data from Communication Log and Generate MATLAB Script" on page 23-37.



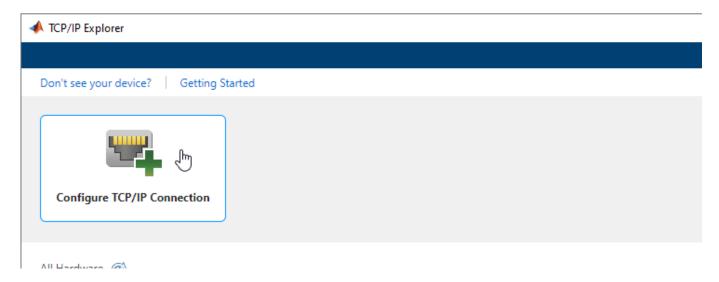
The **MATLAB Code Log** pane shows the code for these operations. You can export this code as a MATLAB Live Script file by following the steps in "Export Data from Communication Log and Generate MATLAB Script" on page 23-37.

### Read Binary Data from TCP/IP Client and Plot It

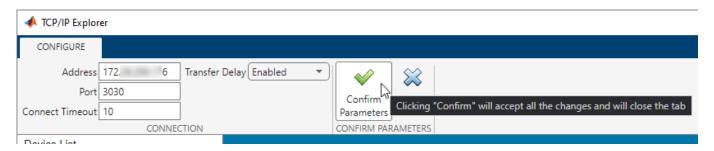
In this example, write ASCII-terminated data to a TCP/IP client connected to a server and read data back from it. The TCP/IP server is this example has already been programmed with custom commands and responses.

Open the **TCP/IP Explorer** app from either the **Apps** tab in the MATLAB toolstrip or the MATLAB command prompt.

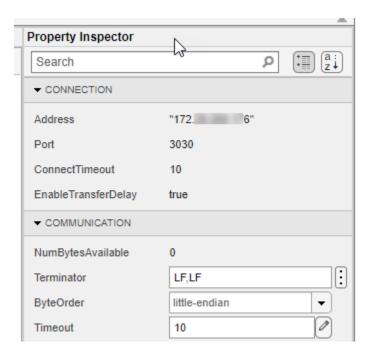
Click Configure TCP/IP Connection.



Specify **Address** as the server address and **Port** as the server port to connect to the server. The values specified in this example are specific to this server and do not work on other machines. You can leave the **Connect Timeout** as the default value of 10. Click **Confirm Parameters** to create a TCP/IP client connected to the specified server.

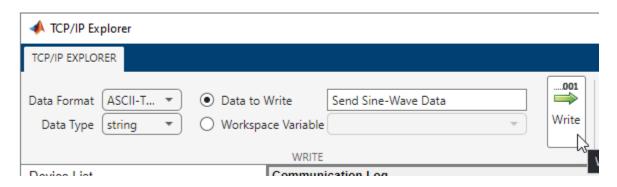


Before writing or reading data, you can modify **Communication** properties from the **Property Inspector**. Ensure that these properties match the appropriate values for the server. For this example, the values shown already match the server configuration.



Some TCP/IP clients can accept string queries to send to the server and respond to them. In this example, the connected server has been programmed to receive and respond to customized string commands. The commands in this example do not work for other clients.

Send the Send Sine-Wave Data command from the client to the server. In the **Write** section, set the **Data Format** to ASCII-Terminated String. The **Data Type** changes to string since that is the only possible option. Specify the **Data to Write** as Send Sine-Wave Data. Click **Write** to write the data from the client to the server. For ASCII-terminated string write operations, the write terminator specified by the **Terminator** property is automatically appended to the data being written.



Send another command to the client. In the MATLAB command prompt, create a workspace variable for this command.

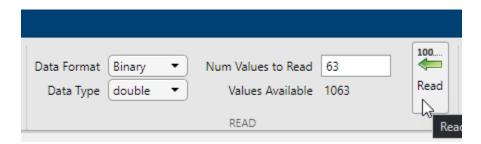
command = "Send Arbitrary Waveform";

Select Workspace Variable and select the command option. Click Write.

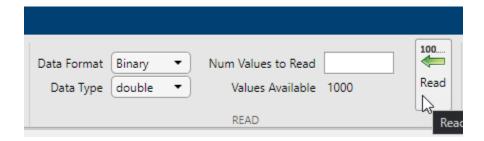


Before reading data from the client, you must specify the correct data format and type. In this example, the responses to the string commands are stored as binary data with double precision. In the **Read** section, set the **Data Format** to Binary, and the **Data Type** to double. The **Values Available** parameter is 1063. The first 63 values are the response to the Send Sine-Wave Data command and the remaining 1000 values are the response to the Send Arbitrary Waveform command.

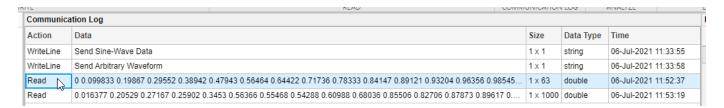
Specify the **Num Values to Read** as **63**. Read the first **63** values of the data from the client by clicking **Read**.



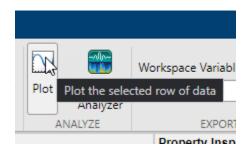
If you do not specify a value for the **Num Values to Read** parameter, you can read all the available values. Read the remaining 1000 values by clearing the **Num Values to Read** parameter and clicking **Read**.



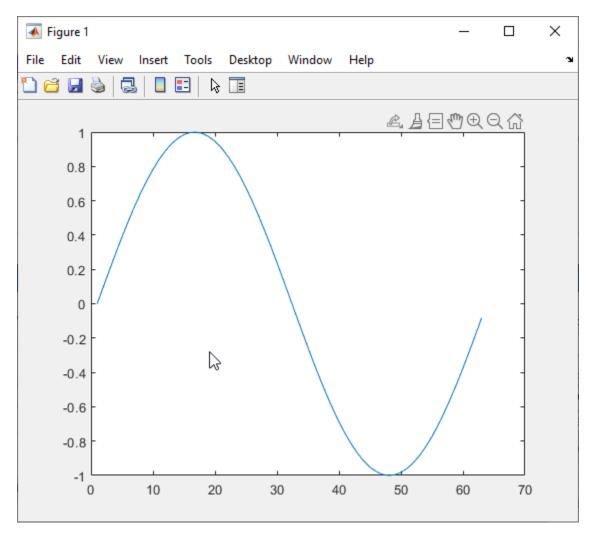
View both the write and read operations in the **Communication Log** pane. You can select a row to plot it, view it in the **Signal Analyzer** app, or export it as a variable to the workspace. Select the data from the first read operation.



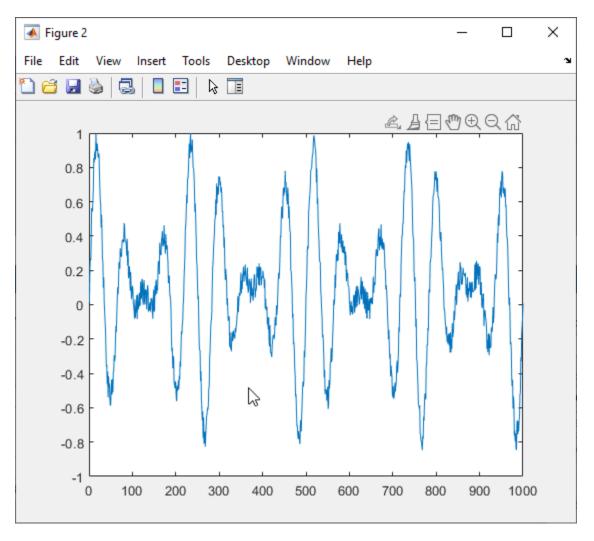
Click **Plot** in the **Analyze** section.



A new figure window with a plot of the data opens. You can modify the plot and figure from the command window.



Select the other response data and click  ${f Plot}$  again. Another figure window with a plot of the data opens.



The **MATLAB Code Log** pane shows the code for these operations (except for plot creation). You can export this code as a MATLAB Live Script file by following the steps in "Export Data from Communication Log and Generate MATLAB Script" on page 23-37.

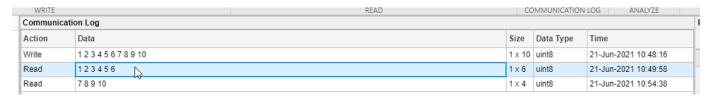
```
MATLAB Code Log
1 % Create a topclient object topclientObj that connects to IP address or host name
2 % "172. 6" and port 3030 with a connection timeout period of 10 seconds.
  tcpclientObj = tcpclient("172 6",3030,"ConnectTimeout",10);
3
4
5 % Write the data "Send Sine-Wave Data" as a string using the tcpclient object
6 % tcpclientObj. The write terminator "LF" is automatically appended to the data before writing.
7
  writeline(tcpclientObj, "Send Sine-Wave Data");
8
9 % "command" is a workspace variable.
10 % Write the data command as a string using the tcpclient object tcpclientObj. The write
11 % terminator "LF" is automatically appended to the data before writing.
  writeline(tcpclientObj,command);
12
13
14 % Read 63 values of double data using the tcpclient object tcpclientObj.
  data1 = read(tcpclientObj,63, "double");
15
16
17 % Read 1000 values of double data using the tcpclient object tcpclientObj.
18 data2 = read(tcpclientObj,1000,"double");
19
20
```

### **Plot Data from Communication Log**

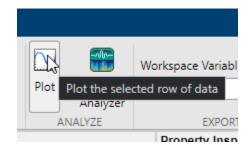
In this example, plot a row of data from the **Communication Log** in a new figure window. You can plot any numeric data that you have written to or read from the TCP/IP server.

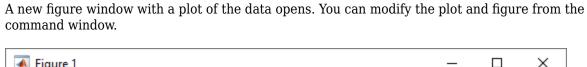
The **Communication Log** captures all the data that you have written to or read from the connected TCP/IP server.

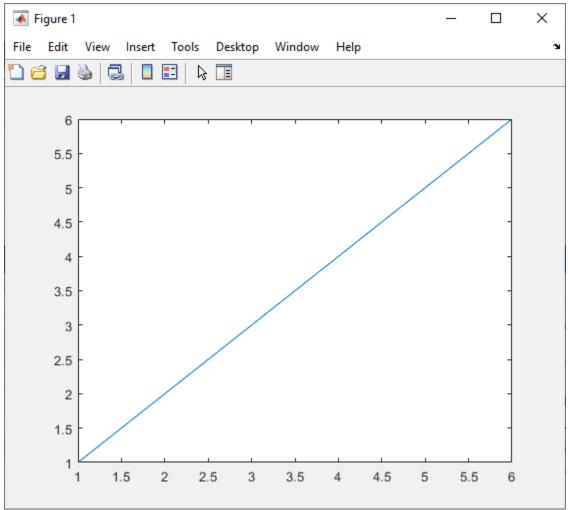
Select a row of data.



Click **Plot** in the **Analyze** section.







### **Export Data from Communication Log and Generate MATLAB Script**

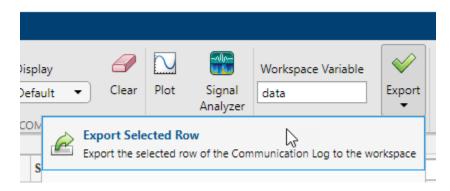
In this example, use the different options for exporting data and app interactions.

The **Communication Log** captures all the data that you have written to or read from the connected TCP/IP server.

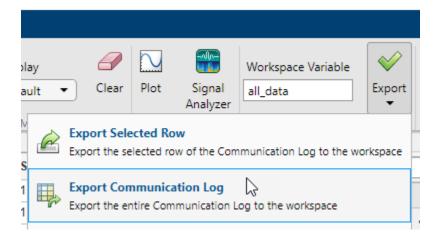
Select a row of data.



Export this row of data to the workspace as the variable specified in **Workspace Variable**. The app provides a default variable name, but you can edit it. The data is saved in the workspace as its **Data Type**. Change the variable name, click **Export**, and select the **Export Selected Row** option.



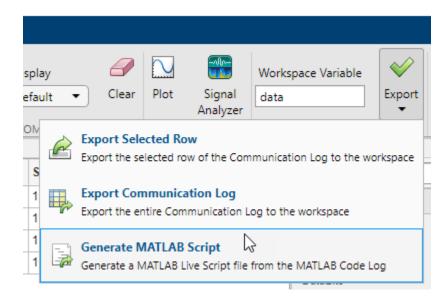
You can also export the entirety of the **Communication Log** to the workspace as a timetable. Change the variable name, click **Export**, and select the **Export Communication Log** option.



Besides exporting data, you can also export the code from the **MATLAB Code Log** pane. This pane contains all tcpclient object creation, write, read, and property configuration operations that you do in the app.

```
MATLAB Code Log
1 % Create a tcpclient object tcpclientObj that connects to IP address or host name
2 % "172. 6" and port 3030 with a connection timeout period of 10 seconds.
3 tcpclientObj = tcpclient("172. 6",3030,"ConnectTimeout",10);
4
5 % Write the data "Send Status?" as a string using the tcpclient object tcpclientObj. The
6 % write terminator "LF" is automatically appended to the data before writing.
  writeline(tcpclientObj, "Send Status?");
7
8
  % Read string data up to and including the first occurrence of the read terminator "LF"
9
10 % using the tcpclient object tcpclientObj. Data is returned without the read terminator.
  data1 = readline(tcpclientObj);
11
12
13
```

Generate a MATLAB Live Script file and open it in the Live Editor by clicking **Export** and selecting the **Generate MATLAB Script** option.



After the Live Script file opens, you can modify the code to fit your needs and save the file.

## **Parameters**

### **Write Section**

### Data Format — Select type of write operation

Binary (default) | ASCII-Terminated String

You can write Binary or ASCII-Terminated String data from the TCP/IP client to the connected server.

A Binary write is equivalent to the write function and an ASCII-Terminated String write is equivalent to the writeline function.

### Data Type — Select MATLAB data type to write

uint8 | int8 | uint16 | int16 | uint32 | int32 | uint64 | int64 | single | double | char | string

Specify the data type of the data to write from the TCP/IP client to the connected server. This parameter determines the number of bytes to write for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

### **Dependencies**

If you set the **Data Format** to ASCII-Terminated String, the only possible value for this parameter is string.

If you set the **Data Format** to Binary, the default value of this parameter is uint8.

This parameter can be set to uint64 or int64 only if you select the **Workspace Variable** option instead of **Data to Write**.

### Data to Write — Specify numeric or ASCII data to write

numeric | character vector | string scalar

Specify the data to write from the TCP/IP client to the connected server. The data is written as the type specified by **Data Type**, regardless of the format in this parameter.

Select either this parameter or **Workspace Variable** to write data.

### Workspace Variable — Select workspace variable to write

workspace variable

Select an existing workspace variable to write from the TCP/IP client to the connected server. The data is written as the type specified by **Data Type**, regardless of the data type of the variable in the workspace.

If **Data Format** is Binary, you can select the following types of workspace variables:

- Row (1-by-N) or column (N-by-1) vector of numeric values
- 1-by-N character vector
- 1-by-1 string scalar

If **Data Format** is ASCII-Terminated String, you can select the following types of workspace variables:

- 1-by-N character vector
- 1-by-1 string scalar

Select either this parameter or **Data to Write** to write data.

### Write — Write data using specified settings

button

Click this button to write the data specified in **Data to Write** or **Workspace Variable** from the TCP/IP client to the connected server as the specified **Data Type**. If **Data Format** is ASCII -

Terminated String, the write terminator specified by the **Terminator** property is automatically appended to the data being written.

This button is equivalent to performing the write or writeline functions.

#### **Read Section**

### Data Format — Select type of read operation

Binary (default) | ASCII-Terminated String

Read Binary or ASCII-Terminated String data received by the TCP/IP client from the connected server. A Binary read is equivalent to the read function and an ASCII-Terminated String read is equivalent to the readline function.

### Data Type — Select MATLAB data type to read

uint8 | int8 | uint16 | int16 | uint32 | int32 | uint64 | int64 | single | double | char | string

Specify the data type of the data received by the TCP/IP client from the connected server. This parameter determines the number of bytes to read for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

### **Dependencies**

If you set the **Data Format** to ASCII-Terminated String, the only possible value for this parameter is string.

If you set the **Data Format** to Binary, the default value of this parameter is uint8.

# Num Values to Read — Specify number of values of selected Data Type to read numeric

Specify the number of values to read as a positive integer. This parameter must be less than or equal to **Values Available**. If you leave this parameter empty, the client reads all available values using the specified **Data Type**.

### **Dependencies**

To enable this parameter, set **Data Format** to Binary.

# Values Available — Maximum possible number of values of selected Data Type that can be read

numeric

This property is read-only.

This is the number of values available to read in the format specified by **Data Type**.

### **Dependencies**

To enable this parameter, set **Data Format** to Binary.

### Read — Read data using specified settings

button

Click this button to read data received by the TCP/IP client from the connected server. If **Data** Format is Binary, read the number of values specified by **Num Values to Read** in the form

specified by **Data Type**. If **Data Format** is ASCII-Terminated String, read data until the first occurrence of the read terminator specified by the **Terminator** property.

This button is equivalent to the read or readline functions.

#### **Communication Log Section**

### Display — Select format to view data in Communication Log

Default (default) | Binary | ASCII | Hexadecimal

View the data in the **Data** column of the **Communication Log** as Binary, ASCII, or Hexadecimal, as applicable based on the data type. This parameter does not change the original value or data type of the data. For more information about these formats, see "Data Type Conversion".

### Clear — Clear Communication Log

button

Click this button to clear all the contents of the **Communication Log**.

### **Analyze Section**

### Plot — Plot selected row of data

button

Click this button to open a new figure window that plots the data currently selected in the **Communication Log**. You can select only one row of data, and the selected data must be numeric.

Unlike **Write** and **Read**, this operation is not captured in the **MATLAB Code Log** pane.

### Signal Analyzer — View selected row of data in Signal Analyzer app

button

Click this button to launch the **Signal Analyzer** app and send it the data currently selected in the **Communication Log**. You can select only one row of data, and the selected data must be a numeric vector.

You must have Signal Processing Toolbox installed to use the **Signal Analyzer** app.

### **Export Section**

### Workspace Variable — Specify name of workspace variable to export data to

valid variable name

Edit the name of the workspace variable that you want to export data to. The Export Selected Row and Export Communication Log options in **Export** save your data in the workspace as the variable specified by this parameter.

You must specify a valid MATLAB variable name that does not already exist in the workspace. If you specify an invalid name, it is automatically changed to a valid variable name.

### Export — Export Communication Log data or MATLAB code

Export Selected Row | Export Communication Log | Generate MATLAB Script

Click this button to select one of the following options for exporting data from this app:

• Export Selected Row — Save the data currently selected in the **Communication Log** to the workspace as the variable specified by **Workspace Variable**. The data is saved as its **Data Type**.

- Export Communication Log Save all of the **Communication Log** data to the workspace as a timetable with the variable name specified by **Workspace Variable**.
- Generate MATLAB Script Generate a MATLAB Live Script file populated with the content in MATLAB Code Log and open it in the Live Editor.

## **Property Inspector**

#### Address — Server name or IP address

character vector

This property is read-only.

Server name or IP address, returned as a character vector. This property is set during TCP/IP Connection configuration.

#### Port — Server port

numeric

This property is read-only.

Server port, returned as a number between 1 and 65535, inclusive. This property is set during TCP/IP Connection configuration.

#### ConnectTimeout — Allowed time to connect to server

10 (default) | numeric

This property is read-only.

Allowed time in seconds to connect to the server, specified as a numeric value. This property specifies the maximum time to wait for a connection request to the specified server to succeed or fail. This property is set during TCP/IP Connection configuration.

## EnableTransferDelay — Allow delayed acknowledgement from server

true (default) | false

This property is read-only.

Allow delayed acknowledgement from server, specified as logical true or false. This property indicates whether Nagle's algorithm is on or off for the connection.

If this property is true, the client collects small segments of outstanding data and sends them in a single packet when acknowledgement (ACK) arrives from the server. Set this property to false if you want to immediately send data to the network. If a network is slow, you can improve its performance by enabling the transfer delay. However, on a fast network acknowledgments arrive quickly and the difference between enabling or disabling the transfer delay is negligible.

This property is set during TCP/IP Connection configuration.

#### NumBytesAvailable — Number of bytes available to read

numeric

This property is read-only.

Number of bytes available to read, returned as a numeric value.

#### Terminator — Terminator characters for data

LF (default) | CR | CR/LF | 0 to 255

Terminator characters for reading and writing ASCII-terminated data, specified as LF, CR, CR/LF, or a number from 0 to 255. The read terminator is followed by the write terminator and the two are

separated by a comma. Click the vertical ellipsis icon it to specify read and write terminator character values separately.

## ByteOrder — Sequential order of bytes

little-endian (default) | big-endian

Sequential order in which bytes are arranged into larger numerical values. If the byte order is little-endian, then the remote server stores the first byte in the first memory address. If the byte order is big-endian, then the remote server stores the last byte in the first memory address.

Configure the byte order to match the appropriate value for your server.

## Timeout — Allowed time to complete operations

10 (default) | numeric

Allowed time in seconds to complete read operations, specified as a numeric value.

## See Also

#### **Apps**

**Serial Explorer** 

#### **Functions**

tcpclient

#### Topics

"Configure Connection in TCP/IP Explorer" on page 7-11

#### Introduced in R2021b

# **UDP Explorer**

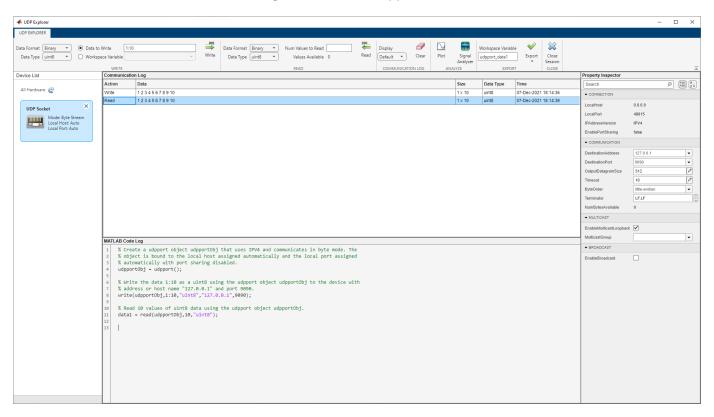
Create UDP socket and communicate over networks using UDP

# **Description**

The **UDP Explorer** app creates a UDP socket. After you create a UDP socket, you can communicate over UDP, plot and analyze data, export data to the workspace, and generate MATLAB code.

Using this app, you can:

- Configure byte and datagram connection and communication properties.
- · Send binary or string data over UDP.
- Read binary or string data sent over UDP.
- · Receive and read multicast data.
- · Broadcast data over a network.
- · Plot data in a figure window.
- Analyze data by viewing it in the **Signal Analyzer** app.
- Export data to the workspace.
- Generate a MATLAB live script that uses the udpport interface.



# **Open the UDP Explorer App**

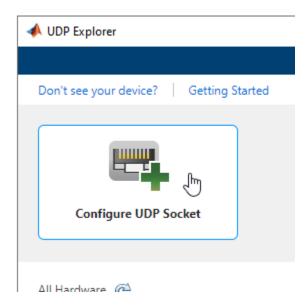
- MATLAB Toolstrip: On the **Apps** tab, under **Test and Measurement**, click the app icon.
- MATLAB command prompt: Enter udpExplorer.

## **Examples**

## **Create UDP Socket for Byte Stream Communication**

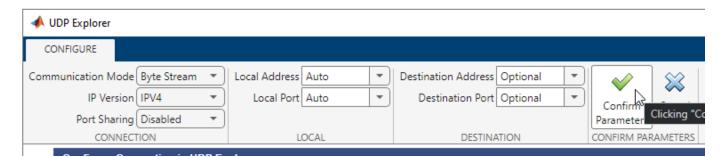
Create a UDP socket using the **UDP Explorer** app.

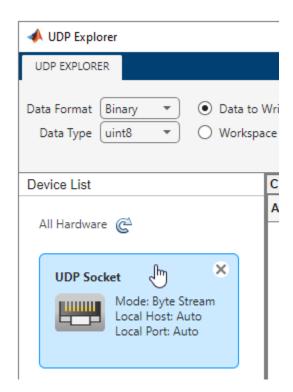
Open the **UDP Explorer** app from either the **Apps** tab in the MATLAB toolstrip or the MATLAB command prompt. Click **Configure UDP Socket**.



You can leave all the parameters as the default values. Using the default settings binds to a UDP socket for byte stream communication with **IP Version** IPV4 and **Port Sharing** disabled. The **Local Address** is assigned 0.0.0.0 and the **Local Port** is automatically assigned by the operating system. You can specify the **Destination Address** and **Destination Port** for writing data afterwards from the **Property Inspector**.

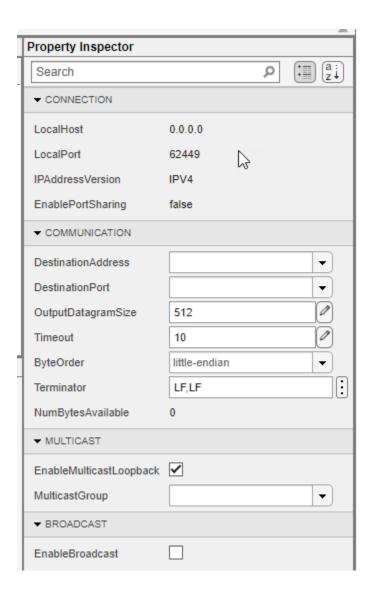
Click **Confirm Parameters** to bind to a UDP socket.





The UDP Explorer tab opens in the app and your UDP Socket appears in the Device List.

View **Connection** properties and configure **Communication** properties from the **Property Inspector**. You can specify **Communication**, **Multicast**, and **Broadcast** properties of the socket before writing and reading data.



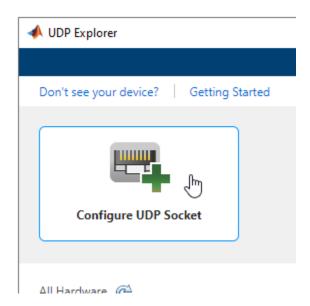
## Write and Read Binary Data with UDP Socket

Write and read binary data using a UDP socket. This example uses an echo server for UDP communication. An echo server is a service that returns to the sender's address and port the same bytes it receives from the sender.

Start an echo UDP server at port 9090.

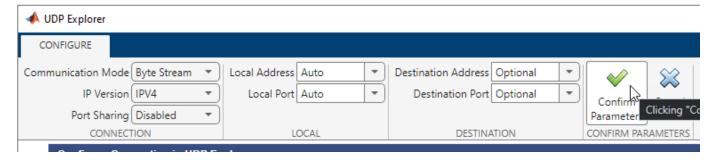
```
echoudp("on",9090)
```

Open the **UDP Explorer** app from either the **Apps** tab in the MATLAB toolstrip or the MATLAB command prompt. Click **Configure UDP Socket**.

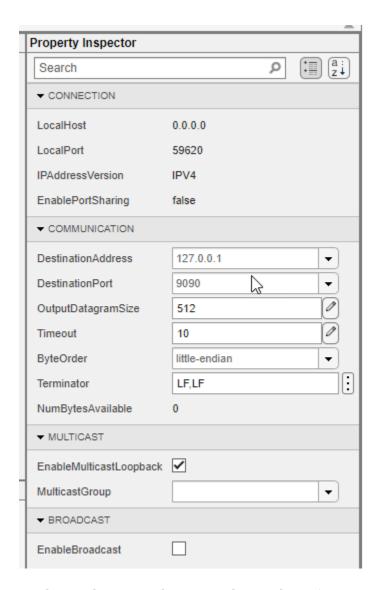


You can leave all the parameters as the default values. Using the default settings binds to a UDP socket for byte stream communication with **IP Version** IPV4 and **Port Sharing** disabled. The **Local Address** is assigned 0.0.0.0 and the **Local Port** is automatically assigned by the operating system. You can specify the **Destination Address** and **Destination Port** for writing data afterwards from the **Property Inspector**.

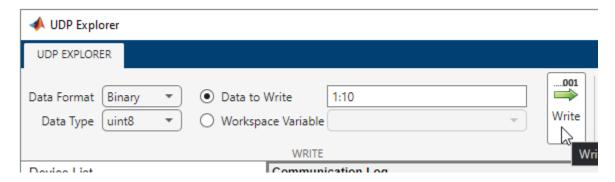
Click **Confirm Parameters** to bind to a UDP socket.



View **Connection** properties and configure **Communication** properties from the **Property Inspector**. In this example, set **DestinationAddress** to 127.0.0.1 and **DestinationPort** to 9090 to send data to the echo server.



Send some data using the UDP socket. In the **Write** section, specify the **Data to Write** as 1:10. Click **Write** to send data using the socket.



The echo server returns the same data that was sent by the socket. You can confirm this by checking that the **Values Available** in the **Read** section is **10**. Read all available data by clicking **Read**.



View both the write and read operations in the **Communication Log** pane. You can select a row to export it as a variable to the workspace by following the steps in "Export Data from Communication Log and Generate MATLAB Script" on page 23-55.

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Communica	Communication Log					
Action	Data		Size	Data Type	Time	
Write	12345678910		1 x 10	uint8	07-Dec-2021 16:07:08	
Read	12345678910		1 x 10	uint8	07-Dec-2021 16:07:10	
	.,					

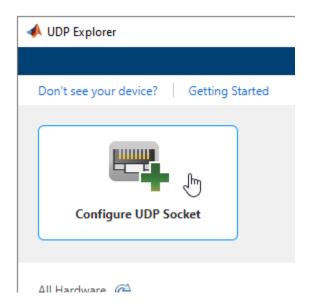
The **MATLAB Code Log** pane shows the code for these operations. You can export this code as a MATLAB live script by following the steps in "Export Data from Communication Log and Generate MATLAB Script" on page 23-55.

```
MATLAB Code Log
     % Create a udpport object udpportObj that uses IPV4 and communicates in byte mode. The
1
     % object is bound to the local host assigned automatically and the local port assigned
2
3
     % automatically with port sharing disabled.
     udpportObj = udpport();
4
5
     % Write the data 1:10 as a uint8 using the udpport object udpportObj to the device with
6
7
     % address or host name "127.0.0.1" and port 9090.
     write(udpport0bj,1:10, "uint8", "127.0.0.1", 9090);
8
9
10
     % Read 10 values of uint8 data using the udpport object udpportObj.
     data1 = read(udpportObj,10,"uint8");
11
12
13
```

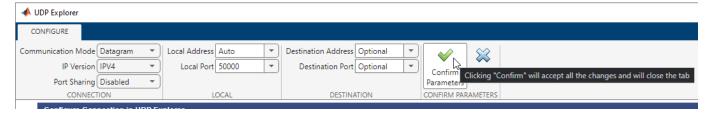
## **Receive Multicast Datagram Packets**

In UDP multicasting, a UDP socket is used to send data and one or more UDP sockets are used for receiving data. The UDP socket for sending datagrams has already been programmed outside this example. In this example, you configure the UDP socket that receives the multicast data.

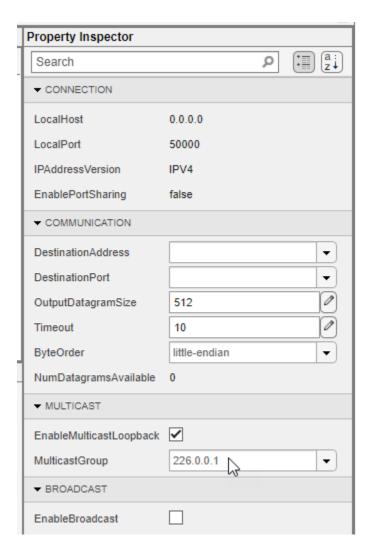
Open the **UDP Explorer** app from either the **Apps** tab in the MATLAB toolstrip or the MATLAB command prompt. Click **Configure UDP Socket**.



Specify **Communication Mode** as **Datagram**. For the purposes of this example, **Local Port** is 50000 since the UDP multicast sender has already been programmed to send data to port 50000. Click **Confirm Parameters**.



View **Connection** properties and configure **Communication** properties from the **Property Inspector**. For this example, subscribe to the multicast group by setting **MulticastGroup** to 226.0.1.



In this example, the UDP socket that you created using the app is the receiver. The sender is already set up and sends data to the multicast address group 226.0.0.1. Since this receiver is subscribed to this address, it receives the multicast data. You can see that data has been received when there is a value for **Datagrams Available** in the **Read** section. Read all the available datagrams by clicking **Read**.



View the read operations in the **Communication Log** pane. For datagram communication, each row represents a single datagram. The **Address and Port** column is where the datagram is coming from. You can select a row to plot it, view it in the **Signal Analyzer** app, or export it as a variable to the

workspace. Select the data from the read operation. You can plot this data by following the steps in "Plot Data from Communication Log" on page 23-54.

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Action	Address	and Port	Data			Size	Data Type	Time	
Read	172.:	6:30000	49 152 123 46 12	100		1 x 6	uint8	07-Dec-2021 16:58:59	
Read	172.	6:30000	6 175 157 128 14	9 176 7 56 35 172 107 30 177 163 199 231 168 100 98 56 94 93 98	192 99 38 22 183 134 193 138 162 201	1 x 1301	uint8	07-Dec-2021 16:58:59	,
Read	172.:	6:30000	228 45 205 20 9 1	69 78 166 113 147 87 68 229 156 107 246 74 228 98 236 150 90 76	6 87 162 37 199 72 76 101 81 60 61 97 2	1 x 1301	uint8	07-Dec-2021 16:58:59	,
Read	172.:	6:30000	249 16 193 78 15	124		1 x 6	uint8	07-Dec-2021 16:58:59	,
Read	172.:	6:30000	251 154 209 107	217 36 142 246 224 74 94 122 90 97 79 18 113 143 206 132 50 107	122 88 116 20 204 55 41 93 143 79 120	1 x 1301	uint8	07-Dec-2021 16:58:59	,
Read	172.:	6:30000	246 150 229 59 1	10 237 158 220 92 142 141 191 155 129 28 129 154 218 2 201 178	199 68 118 212 113 16 195 240 4 13 21	1 x 1301	uint8	07-Dec-2021 16:58:59	,
Read	172.:	6:30000	52 128 86 220 15	3 249		1 x 6	uint8	07-Dec-2021 16:58:59	
Read	172.:	6:30000	96 208 34 40 194	157		1 x 6	uint8	07-Dec-2021 16:58:59	,
Read	172.	6:30000	207 47 44 62 111	224 193 99 184 87 31 74 77 211 128 138 132 46 172 140 43 16 36	247 141 153 128 85 248 172 29 183 229	1 x 1301	uint8	07-Dec-2021 16:58:59	,
Read	172.:	6:30000	204 198 43 63 20	3 226		1 x 6	uint8	07-Dec-2021 16:58:59	,
Read	172.:	6:30000	149 81 187 135 1	78 117 98 225 167 127 213 195 252 157 36 167 186 117 66 224 177	7 74 178 146 231 21 39 193 164 249 188	1 x 1301	uint8	07-Dec-2021 16:58:59	,
Read	172.:	6:30000	39 67 179 149 22	2 89		1 x 6	uint8	07-Dec-2021 16:58:59	,
Read	172.:	6:30000	199 46 135 92 66	181 196 152 116 248 211 51 96 111 233 246 140 87 226 179 251 24	43 209 123 150 58 115 141 161 136 139	1 x 1301	uint8	07-Dec-2021 16:58:59	-
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The **MATLAB Code Log** pane shows the code for these operations (except for plot creation). You can export this code as a MATLAB live script by following the steps in "Export Data from Communication Log and Generate MATLAB Script" on page 23-55.

```
MATLAB Code Log
     % Create a udpport object udpportObj that uses IPV4 and communicates in datagram mode.
     % The object is bound to the local host assigned automatically and the local port 50000
 2
     % with port sharing disabled.
 3
     udpportObj = udpport("datagram","LocalPort",50000);
 4
     % Subscribe the udpport object udpportObj to multicast group address "226.0.0.1" with
 6
     % multicast loopback enabled.
 7
     configureMulticast(udpportObj, "226.0.0.1", true);
 8
9
     % Read 16 values of uint8 data using the udpport object udpportObj.
     data1 = read(udpportObj,16,"uint8");
11
12
13
```

#### Plot Data from Communication Log

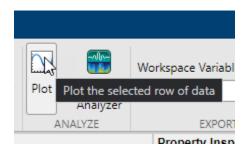
Plot a row of data from the **Communication Log** in a new figure window. You can plot any numeric data that you have written or read using the UDP socket.

The Communication Log captures all the data that you have written or read using the UDP socket.

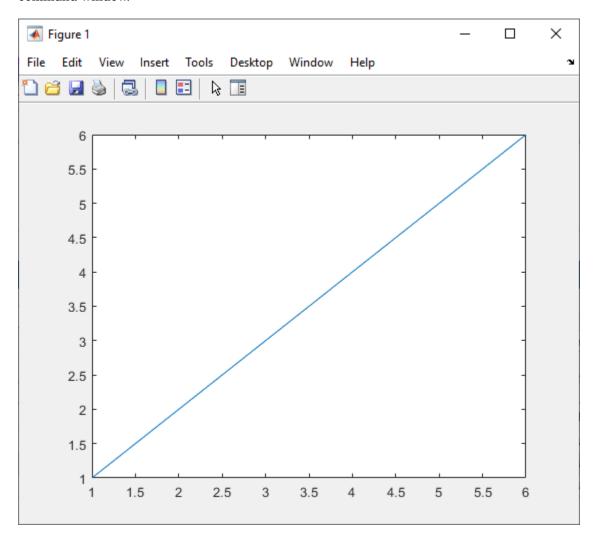
Select a row of data.

WRITE		READ	CC	OMMUNICATION	LOG ANALYZE	
Communication Log					F	
Action	Data		Size	Data Type	Time	1
Write	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10		1 x 10	uint8	21-Jun-2021 10:48:16	
Read	123456		1 x 6	uint8	21-Jun-2021 10:49:58	
Read	7 8 9 10		1 x 4	uint8	21-Jun-2021 10:54:38	

## Click **Plot** in the **Analyze** section.



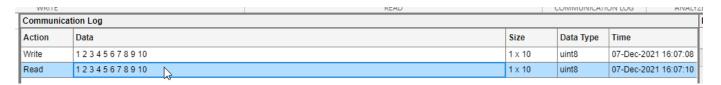
A new figure window with a plot of the data opens. You can modify the plot and figure from the command window.



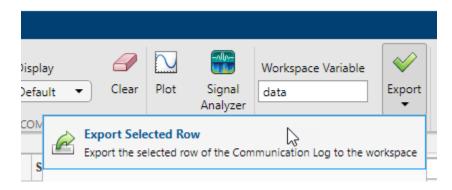
## **Export Data from Communication Log and Generate MATLAB Script**

Use the different options for exporting data and app interactions.

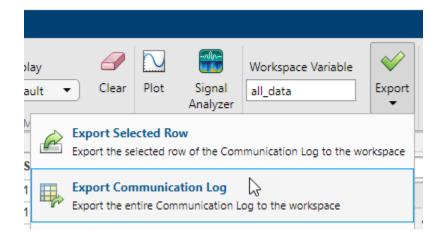
The **Communication Log** captures all the data that you have written or read using the UDP socket. Select a row of data.



Export this row of data to the workspace as the variable specified in **Workspace Variable**. The app provides a default variable name, but you can edit it. The data is saved in the workspace as its **Data Type**. Change the variable name, click **Export**, and select the **Export Selected Row** option.



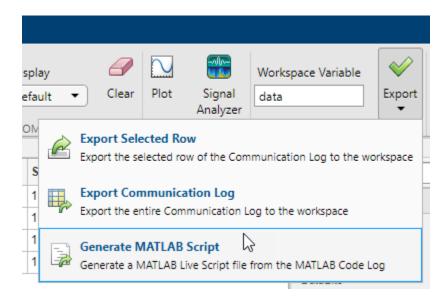
You can also export the entirety of the **Communication Log** to the workspace as a timetable. Change the variable name, click **Export**, and select the **Export Communication Log** option.



Besides exporting data, you can also export the code from the **MATLAB Code Log** pane. This pane contains all udpport object creation, write, read, and property configuration operations that you do in the app.

```
MATLAB Code Log
     % Create a udpport object udpportObj that uses IPV4 and communicates in byte mode. The
1
     % object is bound to the local host assigned automatically and the local port assigned
2
     % automatically with port sharing disabled.
3
     udpportObj = udpport();
4
5
     % Write the data 1:10 as a uint8 using the udpport object udpportObj to the device with
6
     % address or host name "127.0.0.1" and port 9090.
7
8
     write(udpport0bj,1:10, "uint8", "127.0.0.1", 9090);
9
10
     % Read 10 values of uint8 data using the udpport object udpportObj.
     data1 = read(udpportObj,10,"uint8");
11
12
13
```

Generate a MATLAB live script and open it in the Live Editor by clicking **Export** and selecting the **Generate MATLAB Script** option.



After the live script opens, you can modify the code to fit your needs and save the file.

# **Parameters**

#### **Write Section**

#### Data Format — Select type of write operation

Binary | ASCII-Terminated String | Datagram

You can write Binary, ASCII-Terminated String, or Datagram data using the UDP socket. If you select Binary or ASCII-Terminated String for this parameter, your data is still sent over UDP as datagrams.

A Binary or Datagram write is equivalent to the write function and an ASCII-Terminated String write is equivalent to the writeline function.

#### **Dependencies**

If the communication mode is Byte Stream, this parameter can be Binary or ASCII-Terminated String.

If the communication mode is Datagram, the only possible value for this parameter is Datagram.

#### Data Type — Select MATLAB data type to write

uint8 | int8 | uint16 | int16 | uint32 | int32 | uint64 | int64 | single | double | char |
string

Specify the data type of the data to write using the UDP socket. This parameter determines the number of bytes to write for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

#### **Dependencies**

If you set the **Data Format** to ASCII-Terminated String, the only possible value for this parameter is string.

If you set the **Data Format** to Binary, the default value of this parameter is uint8.

If the **Data Format** is **Datagram**, the default value of this parameter is uint8.

This parameter can be set to uint64 or int64 only if you select the **Workspace Variable** option instead of **Data to Write**.

#### Data to Write — Specify numeric or ASCII data to write

numeric | character vector | string scalar

Specify the data to write using the UDP socket. The data is written as the type specified by **Data Type**, regardless of the format in this parameter. If the **Data Type** is a numeric type, the app evaluates the **Data to Write** values and operations before writing the data. For example, you can specify 1:5 instead of [1,2,3,4,5].

Select either this parameter or **Workspace Variable** to write data.

## Workspace Variable — Select workspace variable to write

workspace variable

Select an existing workspace variable to write using the UDP socket. The data is written as the type specified by **Data Type**, regardless of the data type of the variable in the workspace.

If **Data Format** is **Binary** or **Datagram**, you can select the following types of workspace variables:

- Row (1-by-N) or column (N-by-1) vector of numeric values
- 1-by-N character vector
- 1-by-1 string scalar

If **Data Format** is ASCII-Terminated String, you can select the following types of workspace variables:

1-by-N character vector

## • 1-by-1 string scalar

Select either this parameter or **Data to Write** to write data.

## Write — Write data using specified settings

button

Click this button to write the data specified in **Data to Write** or **Workspace Variable** as the specified **Data Type** using the UDP socket. If **Data Format** is ASCII-Terminated String, the write terminator specified by the **Terminator** property is automatically appended to the data being written.

Clicking this button is equivalent to performing the write or writeline functions.

#### **Read Section**

## Data Format — Select type of read operation

Binary | ASCII-Terminated String | Datagram

Read Binary, ASCII-Terminated String, or Datagram data using the UDP socket.

A Binary or Datagram read is equivalent to the read function and an ASCII-Terminated String read is equivalent to the readline function.

#### **Dependencies**

If the communication mode is Byte Stream, this parameter can be Binary or ASCII-Terminated String.

If the communication mode is Datagram, the only possible value for this parameter is Datagram.

#### Data Type — Select MATLAB data type to read

uint8 | int8 | uint16 | int16 | uint32 | int32 | uint64 | int64 | single | double | char | string

Specify the data type of the data to read using the UDP socket. This parameter determines the number of bytes to read for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

**Note** If the **Data Format** is **Datagram**, you must specify the correct **Data Type** to avoid returning an error and losing data.

#### **Dependencies**

If you set the **Data Format** to ASCII-Terminated String, the only possible value for this parameter is string.

If you set the **Data Format** to Binary, the default value of this parameter is uint8.

If the **Data Format** is **Datagram**, the default value of this parameter is uint8.

# Num Values to Read — Specify number of values of selected Data Type to read numeric

Specify the number of values or datagrams to read as a positive integer. This parameter must be less than or equal to **Values Available** (**Datagrams Available** if the communication mode is Datagram).

If you leave this parameter empty, the app reads all available values using the UDP socket and the specified **Data Type**.

#### **Dependencies**

If the communication mode is Byte Stream, enable this parameter by setting **Data Format** to Binary.

If the communication mode is Datagram, this parameter is labeled **Num Datagrams to Read**.

# Values Available — Maximum possible number of values of selected Data Type that can be read

numeric

This property is read-only.

This is the number of values or datagrams available to read in the format specified by **Data Type**.

#### **Dependencies**

If the communication mode is Byte Stream, enable this parameter by setting **Data Format** to Binary.

If the communication mode is Datagram, this parameter is labeled **Datagrams Available**.

## Read — Read data using specified settings

button

Click this button to read data using the UDP socket. If **Data Format** is Binary or Datagram, read the number of values specified by **Num Values to Read** (**Num Datagrams to Read** if the communication mode is Datagram) in the form specified by **Data Type**. If **Data Format** is ASCII-Terminated String, read data until the first occurrence of the read terminator specified by the **Terminator** property.

Clicking this button is equivalent to the read or readline functions.

#### **Communication Log Section**

## Display — Select format to view data in Communication Log

Default (default) | Binary | ASCII | Hexadecimal

View the data in the **Data** column of the **Communication Log** as **Binary**, **ASCII**, or **Hexadecimal**, as applicable based on the data type. This parameter does not change the original value or data type of the data. For more information about these formats, see "Data Type Conversion".

## **Clear — Clear Communication Log**

button

Click this button to clear all the contents of the **Communication Log**.

#### **Analyze Section**

## Plot — Plot selected row of data

button

Click this button to open a new figure window that plots the data currently selected in the **Communication Log**. You can select only one row of data, and the selected data must be numeric.

Unlike **Write** and **Read**, this operation is not captured in the **MATLAB Code Log** pane.

# **Signal Analyzer — View selected row of data in Signal Analyzer app** button

Click this button to launch the **Signal Analyzer** app and send it the data currently selected in the **Communication Log**. You can select only one row of data, and the selected data must be a numeric vector.

You must have Signal Processing Toolbox installed to use the **Signal Analyzer** app.

#### **Export Section**

# Workspace Variable — Specify name of workspace variable to export data to valid variable name

Edit the name of the workspace variable that you want to export data to. The Export Selected Row and Export Communication Log options in **Export** save your data in the workspace as the variable specified by this parameter.

You must specify a valid MATLAB variable name that does not already exist in the workspace. If you specify an invalid name, it is automatically changed to a valid variable name.

#### Export — Export Communication Log data or MATLAB code

Export Selected Row|Export Communication Log|Generate MATLAB Script

Click this button to select one of the following options for exporting data from this app:

- Export Selected Row Save the data currently selected in the **Communication Log** to the workspace as the variable specified by **Workspace Variable**.
- Export Communication Log Save all of the **Communication Log** data to the workspace as a timetable with the variable name specified by **Workspace Variable**.
- Generate MATLAB Script Generate a MATLAB live script populated with the content in **MATLAB Code Log** and open it in the Live Editor.

### **Property Inspector**

#### LocalHost — Local host name or IP address

0.0.0.0 | :: | valid host name | valid dotted-decimal IP address

This property is read-only.

Local host name or dotted-decimal IP address, specified as a character vector. This property is set during UDP socket configuration. If you do not specify a value when you create the UDP socket, the default value is 0.0.0.0 for IPV4, or :: for IPV6.

#### LocalPort — Local port number

numeric

This property is read-only.

Local port number that the UDP socket binds to, specified as a numeric value from 0 to 65535. This property is set during UDP socket configuration. If you do not specify a value when you create the UDP socket, a value is automatically assigned by the operating system.

## IPAddressVersion — Version type for IP address

IPV4 (default) | IPV6

This property is read-only.

Version type for IP address, specified as IPV4 or IPV6. This property is set during UDP socket configuration.

## EnablePortSharing — Allow other UDP sockets to bind to same local port

false (default) | true

This property is read-only.

Setting to allow other UDP sockets to bind to the same local port as this socket, specified as true or false. This property is set during UDP socket configuration.

## DestinationAddress — Specify address to write to

valid host name | valid dotted-decimal IP address

Destination address to write data to, specified as a host name or dotted-decimal IP address.

You can set this as an optional property during UDP socket configuration.

## DestinationPort — Specify port to write to

numeric

Destination port to write data to, specified as a numeric value.

You can set this as an optional property during UDP socket configuration.

# $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{OutputDatagramSize} & \textbf{— Specify maximum number of bytes written in datagram packet} \\ 512 & (default) \mid numeric \end{tabular}$

Maximum number of bytes of data to be written in a datagram packet, specified as a numeric value from 1 to 65507. If you are writing more bytes than the specified **OutputDatagramSize**, the data is split into multiple datagrams before it is sent, each with a maximum size of **OutputDatagramSize**. For example, if the value of **OutputDatgramSize** is 10, 15 bytes of data are broken into two packets.

#### Timeout — Specify allowed time to complete operations

10 (default) | numeric

Allowed time in seconds to complete read operations, specified as a numeric value.

## Byte0rder — Select sequential order of bytes

little-endian (default) | big-endian

Sequential order in which bytes are arranged into larger numerical values. If the byte order is little-endian, then the first byte is stored in the first memory address. If the byte order is big-endian, then the last byte is stored in the first memory address.

Configure the byte order to match the appropriate value for your network.

#### Terminator — Terminator characters for data

LF (default) | CR | CR/LF | 0 to 255

Terminator characters for reading and writing ASCII-terminated data, specified as LF, CR, CR/LF, or a number from 0 to 255. The read terminator is followed by the write terminator and the two are

separated by a comma. Click the vertical ellipsis icon it to specify read and write terminator character values separately.

#### **Dependencies**

To enable this property, the communication mode must be Byte Stream.

#### NumBytesAvailable — Number of bytes available to be read numeric

This property is read-only.

Number of bytes available to be read, specified as a numeric value.

#### **Dependencies**

To enable this property, the communication mode must be Byte Stream.

## NumDatagramsAvailable — Number of datagrams available to be read numeric

This property is read-only.

Number of datagrams available to be read, specified as a numeric value.

## **Dependencies**

To enable this property, the communication mode must be Datagram.

## EnableMulticastLoopback — Allow looping back if sender is in multicast group on (default) | off

Select this parameter to indicate looping back of data in multicast if the sender is subscribed to the same multicast group.

# MulticastGroup — Specify IP address group to receive multicast data from

valid host name | valid dotted-decimal IP address

IP address group to subscribe to for receiving multicast data, specified as a string.

## **EnableBroadcast** — **Allow broadcasting**

off (default) | on

Select this parameter to allow sending broadcast data.

#### See Also

#### Apps

Serial Explorer | TCP/IP Explorer

## **Functions**

udpport

## Introduced in R2022a

# add

Add entry to IVI configuration store object

## **Syntax**

## **Arguments**

obj 'DriverSession' 'HardwareAsset' 'LogicalName'	IVI configuration store object Type of entry being added
'name'	Name of the DriverSession, HardwareAsset, or LogicalName being added
'IOResourceDescriptor'	Tells the driver exactly how to locate the device this asset represents
'ModuleName'	IVI instrument driver or software module
'HardwareAssetName'	Unique identifier for hardware asset
'SessionName'	Unique identifier for asset driver session
'P1'	First optional parameter for added entry. Other parametervalue pairs may follow.
V1	Value for first parameter
struct	Structure defining entry to be added; field names are the entry parameter names

# **Description**

add(obj, 'type', 'name', ...) adds a new entry of type to the IVI configuration store object, obj, with name, name. If an entry of type, type, with name, name, already exists an error will occur. Based on type, additional arguments are required. type can be HardwareAsset, DriverSession, or LogicalName.

add(obj, 'DriverSession', 'name', 'ModuleName', 'HardwareAssetName', 'P1', V1) adds a new driver session entry to the IVI configuration store object, obj, with name, name, using the specified software module name, ModuleName and hardware asset name, HardwareAssetName. Optional parameter-value pairs may be included.

Valid parameters for DriverSession are listed below. The default value for on/off parameters is off.

Parameter	Value	Description
Description	Any character vector	Description of driver session
VirtualNames	structure	A struct array containing virtual name mappings
Cache	on/off	Enable caching if the driver supports it.
DriverSetup	Any character vector	This value is software module dependent
InterchangeCheck	on/off	Enable driver interchangeability checking, if supported
QueryInstrStatus	on/off	Enable instrument status querying by the driver
RangeCheck	on/off	Enable extended range checking by the driver, if supported
RecordCoercions	on/off	Enable recording of coercions by the driver, if supported
Simulate	on/off	Enable simulation by the driver

add(obj, 'HardwareAsset', 'name', 'IOResourceDescriptor', 'P1', V1) adds a new hardware asset entry to the IVI configuration store object, obj, with name, name, and resource descriptor, IOResourceDescriptor. Optional parameter-value pairs may be included.

Valid parameters for HardwareAsset are

Parameter	Value	Description
Description	Any character vector	Description of hardware asset

add(obj, 'LogicalName', 'name', 'SessionName', 'P1', V1) adds a new logical name
entry to the IVI configuration store object, obj, with name, name, and driver session name,
SessionName. Optional parameter-value pairs may be included.

Valid parameters for LogicalName are

Parameter	Value	Description
·	Any character vector	Description of logical name

add(obj, struct), where struct is a structure whose field names are the entry parameter
names, adds an entry to the IVI configuration store object, obj, of the specified type with the values
contained in the structure.

Additions made to the configuration store object, obj, can be saved to the configuration store data file with the commit function.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For

information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

# **Examples**

```
Construct IVI configuration store object, c.
```

```
c = iviconfigurationstore;
```

Add a hardware asset with name gpib1, and resource description GPIB0::1::INSTR.

```
add(c, 'HardwareAsset', 'gpib1', 'GPIB0::1::INSTR');
```

Add a driver session with name S1, that uses the TekScope software module and the hardware asset with name gpib1.

```
add(c, 'DriverSession', 'S1', 'TekScope', 'gpib1');
```

Add a logical name to configuration store object c, with name MyScope, driver session name S1, and description A logical name.

```
add(c, 'LogicalName', 'MyScope', 'S1', ...
'Description', 'A logical name');
```

Add a hardware asset with the name gpib3, and resource description GPIB0::3::ISNTR.

```
s.Type = 'HardwareAsset';
s.Name = 'gpib3';
s.IOResourceDescriptor = 'GPIB0::3::INSTR';
add(c, s);
```

Save the changes to the IVI configuration store data file.

```
commit(c);
```

## See Also

iviconfigurationstore | commit | remove | update

#### Introduced before R2006a

# binblockread

(To be removed) Read binblock data from instrument

**Note** This serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, and gpib object function will be removed in a future release. Use serialport, bluetooth, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, and visadev object functions instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

## **Syntax**

```
A = binblockread(obj)
A = binblockread(obj, 'precision')
[A,count] = binblockread(...)
[A,count,msg] = binblockread(...)
```

## **Arguments**

obj An interface object.

'precision' The number of bits read for each value, and the interpretation of the bits as

character, integer, or floating-point values.

A Binblock data returned from the instrument.

count The number of values read.

msg A message indicating if the read operation was unsuccessful.

# **Description**

A = binblockread(obj) reads binary-block (binblock) data from the instrument connected to obj and returns the values to A. The binblock format is described in the binblockwrite reference pages.

A = binblockread(obj,'precision') reads binblock data translating the MATLAB values to the precision specified by precision. By default the uchar precision is used and numeric values are returned in double-precision arrays. Refer to the fread function for a list of supported precisions.

[A,count] = binblockread(...) returns the number of values read to count.

[A,count,msg] = binblockread(...) returns a warning message to msg if the read operation did not complete successfully.

# **Examples**

Create the GPIB object g associated with a National Instruments GPIB controller with board index 0, and a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope with primary address 2.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,2);
g.InputBufferSize = 3000;
```

Connect g to the instrument, and write string commands that configure the scope to transfer binary waveform data from memory location A.

```
fopen(g)
fprintf(g,'DATA:DESTINATION REFA');
fprintf(g,'DATA:ENCDG SRPbinary');
fprintf(g,'DATA:WIDTH 1');
fprintf(g,'DATA:START 1');
```

Write the CURVE? command, which prepares the scope to transfer data, and read the data using the binblock format.

```
fprintf(g,'CURVE?')
data = binblockread(g);
```

If the scope sends a terminating character after the binblock, binblockread does not read the terminating character. Read it by using fread. In this example, count is the number of bytes of the terminating character and can be 1 or 2.

```
if g.BytesAvailable == count
   fread(g,count,'uint8');
end
```

## **Tips**

Before you can read data from the instrument, it must be connected to obj with the fopen function. A connected interface object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt to perform a read operation while obj is not connected to the instrument.

binblockread blocks the MATLAB Command Window until one of the following occurs:

- The data is completely read.
- The time specified by the Timeout property passes.

If msg is not included as an output argument and the read operation was not successful, then a warning message is returned to the command line.

Each time binblockread is issued, the ValuesReceived property value is increased by the number of values read.

Some instruments may send a terminating character after the binblock. binblockread will not read the terminating character. You can read the terminating character with the fread function. Additionally, if obj is a GPIB, VISA-GPIB, VISA-VXI, VISA-USB, or VISA-RSIB object, you can use the clrdevice function to remove the terminating character.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

## **Compatibility Considerations**

## gpib object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

Use of this function with a gpib object will be removed. To access a GPIB instrument, use the VISA-GPIB interface with a visadev object, its functions, and its properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

## tcpip, visa, and serial object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with the tcpip (with NetworkRole set to server), visa, and serial interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
tcpip	tcpserver	"Transition Your Code to tcpserver Interface" on page 7- 43
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31
serial	serialport	"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26

## Bluetooth, tcpip, and udp object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2020b

Use of this function with the Bluetooth, tcpip (with NetworkRole set to client), and udp interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
Bluetooth	bluetooth (case-sensitive)	"Transition Your Code to bluetooth Interface"
tcpip	tcpclient	"Transition Your Code to tcpclient Interface" on page 7- 36
udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18

#### serial object interface is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2019b

Use of this function with a serial object is not recommended. To access a serial port, use a serialport instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

## **See Also**

## **Functions**

binblockwrite|fopen|fread|instrhelp

## **Properties**

BytesAvailable | InputBufferSize | Status | ValuesReceived

## **Introduced before R2006a**

# binblockwrite

(To be removed) Write binblock data to instrument

**Note** This serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, and gpib object function will be removed in a future release. Use serialport, bluetooth, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, and visadev object functions instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

## **Syntax**

```
binblockwrite(obj,A)
binblockwrite(obj,A,'precision')
binblockwrite(obj,A,'header')
binblockwrite(obj,A,'precision','header')
binblockwrite(obj,A,'precision','header','headerformat')
```

## **Arguments**

obj An interface object.

A The data to be written using the binblock format.

'precision' The number of bits written for each value, and the interpretation of the

bits as character, integer, or floating-point values.

'header' The ASCII header text to be prefixed to the data.

'headerformat' C language conversion specification format for the header text.

# **Description**

binblockwrite(obj,A) writes the data specified by A to the instrument connected to obj as a binary-block (binblock). The binblock format is defined as #<N><D><A>, where

- N specifies the number of digits in D that follow.
- D specifies the number of data bytes in A that follow.
- A is the data written to the instrument.

For example, if A is given by [0 5 5 0 5 5 0], the binblock would be defined as [double('#') 1 7 0 5 5 0 5 5 0].

binblockwrite(obj,A,'precision') writes binblock data translating the MATLAB values to the precision specified by precision. By default the uchar precision is used. Refer to the fwrite function for a list of supported precisions.

binblockwrite(obj,A,'header') writes a binblock using the data, A, and the ASCII header, header, to the instrument connected to interface object, obj. The data written is constructed using the formula

```
<header>#<N><D><A>
```

binblockwrite(obj,A,'precision','header') writes binary data, A, translating the MATLAB values to the specified precision, precision. The ASCII header, header, is prefixed to the binblock.

binblockwrite(obj,A,'precision','header','headerformat') writes binary data, A, translating the MATLAB values to the specified precision, precision. The ASCII header, header, is prefixed to the binblock using the format specified by headerformat.

headerformat is a string containing C language conversion specifications. Conversion specifications are composed of the character % and the conversion characters d, i, o, u, x, X, f, e, E, g, G, c, and s. Type instrhelp fprintf for more information on valid values for headerformat. By default, headerformat is %s.

## **Examples**

```
s = visa('ni', 'ASRL2::INSTR');
fopen(s);
% Write the command: [double('#14') 0 5 0 5] to the instrument.
binblockwrite(s, [0 5 0 5]);
% Write the command: [double('Curve #14') 0 5 0 5] to the
% instrument.
binblockwrite(s, [0 5 0 5], 'Curve ')
fclose(s):
```

## **Tips**

Before you can write data to the instrument, it must be connected to obj with the fopen function. A connected interface object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt to perform a write operation while obj is not connected to the instrument.

The ValuesSent property value is increased by the number of values written each time binblockwrite is issued.

An error occurs if the output buffer cannot hold all the data to be written. You can specify the size of the output buffer with the OutputBufferSize property.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

## gpib object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

Use of this function with a gpib object will be removed. To access a GPIB instrument, use the VISA-GPIB interface with a visadev object, its functions, and its properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

## tcpip, visa, and serial object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with the tcpip (with NetworkRole set to server), visa, and serial interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
tcpip	tcpserver	"Transition Your Code to tcpserver Interface" on page 7- 43
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31
serial	serialport	"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26

## Bluetooth, tcpip, and udp object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2020b

Use of this function with the Bluetooth, tcpip (with NetworkRole set to client), and udp interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
Bluetooth	bluetooth (case-sensitive)	"Transition Your Code to bluetooth Interface"
tcpip	tcpclient	"Transition Your Code to tcpclient Interface" on page 7- 36
udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18

## serial object interface is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2019b

Use of this function with a serial object is not recommended. To access a serial port, use a serialport instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

binblockread | fopen | fwrite | instrhelp

#### **Properties**

OutputBufferSize | OutputEmptyFcn | Status | Timeout | TransferStatus | ValuesSent

## **Introduced before R2006a**

# **Bluetooth**

(To be removed) Create Bluetooth object

**Note** Bluetooth will be removed in a future release. Use bluetooth (case-sensitive) instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

## **Syntax**

```
B = Bluetooth(RemoteName, Channel)
B = Bluetooth(RemoteID, Channel)
B = Bluetooth(____, Name, Value)
```

## **Description**

B = Bluetooth(RemoteName, Channel) creates a Bluetooth object associated with the RemoteName and Channel. RemoteName is a friendly way to identify the RemoteID. If not specified, the default channel is 0.

The Instrument Control Toolbox Bluetooth interface lets you connect to devices over the Bluetooth interface, and to transmit and receive ASCII and binary data. Instrument Control Toolbox supports the Bluetooth Serial Port Profile (SPP). You can identify any SPP Bluetooth device and establish a two-way connection with that device.

B = Bluetooth(RemoteID, Channel) creates a Bluetooth object directly from the RemoteID and Channel.

To connect with the Bluetooth device, use the fopen function. When the Bluetooth object is created, its status property is closed. When the object is connected to the remote device with the fopen function, the status property is set to open.

B = Bluetooth(\_\_\_\_, Name, Value) creates a Bluetooth object using the specified property values. If an invalid property name or property value is specified the object is not created.

# **Examples**

#### Write and Read with a Bluetooth Device

This example shows how to identify and connect to a Bluetooth device, send a message, and read data.

Find available Bluetooth devices.

```
instrhwinfo('Bluetooth')
```

Create a Bluetooth object called b using channel 3 of a Lego Mindstorm robot with a RemoteName of NXT.

```
b = Bluetooth('NXT',3);
```

```
Connect to the remote device.
```

```
fopen(b)
```

Send a message to the remote device.

```
fwrite(b,uint8([2,0,1,155]));
```

Read data from the remote device.

```
name = fread(b, 35);
```

Disconnect the device.

```
fclose(b);
```

Clean up by deleting and clearing the object.

```
delete(b)
```

## **Input Arguments**

## RemoteName — Name for Bluetooth device

char | string

"Friendly name" for the Bluetooth device, specified as a character vector or string. For example, in the case of an iPhone, it might be simply 'iPhone' or a name like 'Zor'. If it is empty, use the RemoteID to communicate with the device.

```
Example: 'NXT'
Data Types: char|string
```

## RemoteID — Internal ID of Bluetooth device

char | string

Internal ID of the Bluetooth device, equivalent to the Device ID, specified as a character vector or string. Every device has a device ID, which is usually a 12-digit character vector that starts with 'btspp://'. You can use this or the RemoteName to communicate with the device.

```
Example: 'btspp://0016530FD65F'
Data Types: char|string
```

## **Channel** — **Device channel**

0 (default) | numeric value

Device channel, specified as a numeric value, if the device has channels. If no channel is specified, it defaults to  $\theta$ .

```
Example: 3
```

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

## **Name-Value Pair Arguments**

Specify optional pairs of arguments as Name1=Value1,..., NameN=ValueN, where Name is the argument name and Value is the corresponding value. Name-value arguments must appear after other arguments, but the order of the pairs does not matter.

Before R2021a, use commas to separate each name and value, and enclose Name in quotes.

Example: 'Timeout',60

## Name — Name of interface object

char | string

Name of interface object, specified as a character vector or string.

Example: 'BTdev1'

Data Types: char | string

#### Timeout — Time limit for communication

numeric

Time limit in seconds for communication, specified as a numeric value.

Example: 60

Data Types: double

## **Output Arguments**

#### **B** — Bluetooth device interface

interface object

Bluetooth device interface, returned as an interface object.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

#### Warns

Warns starting in R2022a

Bluetooth will be removed in a future release. Use bluetooth (case-sensitive) instead.

This example shows how to connect to a Bluetooth device using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>b = Bluetooth("NXT",3); fopen(b)</pre>	<pre>b = bluetooth("NXT",3);</pre>

The recommended interface has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to bluetooth Interface" for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### To be removed

Not recommended starting in R2020b

The Bluetooth function runs without warning, but the Code Analyzer indicates that Bluetooth will be removed in a future release.

## See Also

## **Functions**

bluetooth | fclose | fopen | fread | fwrite | instrhwinfo

Introduced in R2011b

## clear

Remove instrument objects from MATLAB workspace

## **Syntax**

clear obj

## **Arguments**

obj

An instrument object or an array of instrument objects.

## **Description**

clear obj removes obj from the MATLAB workspace.

## **Examples**

This example creates the GPIB object g, copies g to a new variable gcopy, and clears g from the MATLAB workspace. g is then restored to the workspace with instrfind and is shown to be identical to gcopy.

## **Tips**

If obj is connected to the instrument and it is cleared from the workspace, then obj remains connected to the instrument. You can restore obj to the workspace with the instrind function. An object connected to the instrument has a Status property value of open.

To disconnect obj from the instrument, use the fclose function. To remove obj from memory, use the delete function. You should remove invalid instrument objects from the workspace with clear.

#### See Also

delete | fclose | instrfind | instrhelp | isvalid | Status

#### Introduced before R2006a

## clrdevice

(To be removed) Clear instrument buffer

**Note** This visa and gpib object function will be removed in a future release. Use visadev object functions instead. For more information, see "Compatibility Considerations".

## **Syntax**

clrdevice(obj)

## **Arguments**

obj A GPIB, VISA-GPIB, VISA-VXI, VISA-GPIB-VXI, VISA-Serial, or VISA-TCPIP object.

## **Description**

clrdevice(obj) clears the hardware buffer of the instrument connected to obj.

## Tips

Before you can clear the hardware buffer, the instrument must be connected to obj with the fopen function. A connected object has a Status property value of open. If you issue clrdevice when obj is disconnected from the instrument, then an error is returned.

You can clear the software input buffer using the flushinput function. You can clear the software output buffer using the flushoutput function.

## **Compatibility Considerations**

#### visa object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with a visa object will be removed. To access a VISA resource, use a visadev object with its functions and properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### gpib object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

Use of this function with a gpib object will be removed. To access a GPIB instrument, use the VISA-GPIB interface with a visadev object, its functions, and its properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

## See Also

flush | flushinput | flushoutput | fopen | Status

Introduced before R2006a

## commit

Save IVI configuration store object to data file

## **Syntax**

```
commit(obj)
commit(obj, 'file')
```

## **Arguments**

obj IVI configuration store object 'file' Configuration store data file

## **Description**

commit(obj) saves the IVI configuration store object, obj, to the configuration store data file. The
configuration store data file is defined by obj's ActualLocation property.

commit(obj, 'file') saves the IVI configuration store object, obj, to the configuration store data file, file. No changes are saved to the configuration store data file that is defined by obj's ActualLocation property.

The IVI configuration store object can be modified with the add, update, and remove functions.

#### See Also

iviconfigurationstore | add | remove | update

Introduced before R2006a

# configureCallback

Set callback function and trigger condition for communication with serial port device

## **Syntax**

```
configureCallback(device, "terminator", callbackFcn)
configureCallback(device, "byte", count, callbackFcn)
configureCallback(device, "off")
```

## **Description**

configureCallback(device, "terminator", callbackFcn) sets the callback function callbackFcn to trigger whenever a terminator is available to be read from the specified serial port. The syntax sets the BytesAvailableFcnMode property of device to "terminator" and the BytesAvailableFcn property to callbackFcn.

Set the terminator character using .

configureCallback(device, "byte", count, callbackFcn) sets the callback function callbackFcn to trigger whenever a new count number of bytes are available to be read. The syntax sets the BytesAvailableFcnMode property of device to "byte", the BytesAvailableFcnCount property to count, and the BytesAvailableFcn property to callbackFcn.

configureCallback(device, "off") turns off callbacks. The syntax sets the BytesAvailableFcnMode property of device to "off".

## **Examples**

#### Set Serial Port Device Callback and Trigger to "terminator" Mode

Create a connection to a serial port device.

Set the callback to trigger when a terminator is available to be read.

```
configureCallback(device, "terminator", @callbackFcn)
```

View the properties to confirm the change.

```
device.BytesAvailableFcnMode
device.BytesAvailableFcn
ans =
    "terminator"
ans =
  function handle with value:
    @callbackFcn
Turn the callback off.
configureCallback(device, "off")
Verify that the callback is off.
device.BytesAvailableFcnMode
ans =
    "off"
Set Serial Port Device Callback and Trigger to "byte" Mode
Create a connection to a serial port device.
device = serialport("COM3",9600)
device =
  Serialport with properties:
                  Port: "COM3"
              BaudRate: 9600
    NumBytesAvailable: 0
  Show all properties, functions
Set the callback to trigger each time 50 new bytes of data are available to be read.
configureCallback(device, "byte",50,@callbackFcn)
View the properties to confirm the change.
device.BytesAvailableFcnMode
device.BytesAvailableFcnCount
device.BytesAvailableFcn
```

ans =

```
"byte"

ans =
    50

ans =
    function_handle with value:
    @callbackFcn

Turn the callback off.
configureCallback(device, "off")

Verify that the callback is off.
device.BytesAvailableFcnMode

ans =
    "off"
```

#### Read Data from Serial Port Device Using Callback Function

Create a connection to a serial port device.

Create a callback function that reads ASCII terminated string data and saves it to the UserData property of device.

```
function readSerialData(src,evt)
   data = readline(src);
   src.UserData = data;
end
```

Set the callback to trigger when a terminator is available to be read.

configureCallback(device, "terminator",@readSerialData)

## **Input Arguments**

#### device — Serial port connection

serialport object

Serial port connection, specified as a serialport object.

Example: configureCallback(device, "byte", 128,@callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger each time 128 bytes of new data are available to be read from the serial port connection device.

#### count — Number of bytes of data to trigger callback

positive integer value

Number of bytes of available data to trigger the callback, specified as a positive integer value. Set the BytesAvailableFcnCount property using this argument.

Example: configureCallback(device, "byte", 128,@callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger each time 128 bytes of new data are available to be read.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

#### callbackFcn — Callback function to run when trigger condition is met

function handle

Callback function to run when trigger condition is met, specified as a function handle. The function handle can be a named function handle or an anonymous function with input arguments. Set the BytesAvailableFcn property using this argument.

Example: configureCallback(device, "terminator", @callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger when a terminator is available to be read.

Data Types: function handle

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

serialport | configureTerminator

Introduced in R2019b

# configureCallback

Set callback function and trigger condition for communication with remote host over TCP/IP

## **Syntax**

```
configureCallback(t,"terminator",callbackFcn)
configureCallback(t,"byte",count,callbackFcn)
configureCallback(t,"off")
```

## **Description**

configureCallback(t, "terminator", callbackFcn) sets the callback function callbackFcn to trigger whenever a terminator is available to be read from the remote host specified by the TCP/IP client t. The syntax sets the BytesAvailableFcnMode property of t to "terminator" and the BytesAvailableFcn property to callbackFcn.

Set the terminator character using configureTerminator.

configureCallback(t,"byte",count,callbackFcn) sets the callback function callbackFcn to trigger whenever a new count number of bytes are available to be read. The syntax sets the BytesAvailableFcnMode property of t to "byte", the BytesAvailableFcnCount property to count, and the BytesAvailableFcn property to callbackFcn.

configureCallback(t,"off") turns off callbacks. The syntax sets the BytesAvailableFcnMode
property of t to "off".

## **Examples**

#### Set Remote Host Callback and Trigger to "terminator" Mode

Create a TCP/IP client called t, using the IP address 172.28.154.231 and port 4012.

```
t = tcpclient("172.28.154.231",4012)

t =
    tcpclient with properties:
        Address: '172.28.154.231'
        Port: 4012
    NumBytesAvailable: 0

Show all properties, functions
```

Set the callback to trigger when a terminator is available to be read.

```
configureCallback(t,"terminator",@callbackFcn)
```

View the properties to confirm the change.

```
t.BytesAvailableFcnMode
t.BytesAvailableFcn
ans =
    "terminator"
ans =
  function_handle with value:
    @callbackFcn
Turn the callback off.
configureCallback(t,"off")
Verify that the callback is off.
t.BytesAvailableFcnMode
ans =
    "off"
Set Remote Host Callback and Trigger to "byte" Mode
Create a TCP/IP client called t, using the IP address 172.28.154.231 and port 4012.
t = tcpclient("172.28.154.231",4012)
t =
  tcpclient with properties:
              Address: '172.28.154.231'
                  Port: 4012
    NumBytesAvailable: 0
  Show all properties, functions
Set the callback to trigger when 50 bytes of data are available to be read.
configureCallback(t,"byte",50,@callbackFcn)
View the properties to confirm the change.
t.BytesAvailableFcnMode
t.BytesAvailableFcnCount
t.BytesAvailableFcn
```

ans =

```
"byte"

ans =
    50

ans =
    function_handle with value:
    @callbackFcn

Turn the callback off.
configureCallback(t,"off")

Verify that the callback is off.
t.BytesAvailableFcnMode

ans =
    "off"
```

## **Input Arguments**

#### t — TCP/IP client

tcpclient object

TCP/IP client, specified as a tcpclient object.

Example: configureCallback(t,"byte",128,@callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger each time 128 bytes of new data are available to be read from the TCP/IP client t.

#### count — Number of bytes of data to trigger callback

positive integer value

Number of bytes of available data to trigger the callback, specified as a positive integer value. Set the BytesAvailableFcnCount property using this argument.

Example: configureCallback(t,"byte",128,@callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger each time 128 bytes of new data are available to be read.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

## callbackFcn — Callback function to run when trigger condition is met

function handle

Callback function to run when trigger condition is met, specified as a function handle. The function handle can be a named function handle or an anonymous function with input arguments. Set the BytesAvailableFcn property using this argument.

Example: configureCallback(t,"terminator",@callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger when a terminator is available to be read.

Data Types: function\_handle

## See Also

## **Functions**

tcpclient|configureTerminator

Introduced in R2020b

# configureCallback

Set callback function and trigger condition for communication

## **Syntax**

```
configureCallback(t,"terminator",callbackFcn)
configureCallback(t,"byte",count,callbackFcn)
configureCallback(t,"off")
```

## **Description**

configureCallback(t,"terminator", callbackFcn) sets the callback function callbackFcn to trigger whenever a terminator is available to be read from the client connected to the TCP/IP server t. The syntax sets the BytesAvailableFcnMode property of t to "terminator" and the BytesAvailableFcn property to callbackFcn.

Set the terminator character using configureTerminator.

configureCallback(t,"byte",count,callbackFcn) sets the callback function callbackFcn to trigger whenever a new count number of bytes are available to be read. The syntax sets the BytesAvailableFcnMode property of t to "byte", the BytesAvailableFcnCount property to count, and the BytesAvailableFcn property to callbackFcn.

configureCallback(t,"off") turns off callbacks. The syntax sets the BytesAvailableFcnMode
property of t to "off".

## **Examples**

#### Set TCP/IP Server Callback and Trigger to Terminator Mode

Create a callback function called readFcn and save it as a .m file in the current working directory.

```
function readFcn(src,~)
message = readline(src);
disp(message)
end
```

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for connections at localhost and port 4000.

```
Show all properties, functions
```

Create a TCP/IP client to connect to your server object using tcpclient. You must specify the same IP address and port number you use to create server.

Set the callback function readFcn to trigger when a terminator is available to be read in the server. The callback function readFcn reads and displays the message sent from the connected client.

```
configureCallback(server, "terminator", @readFcn)
```

View the properties to confirm the change.

```
server.BytesAvailableFcnMode
```

```
ans =
"terminator"

server.BytesAvailableFcn

ans = function_handle with value:
    @readFcn
```

Write a string of ASCII data to the TCP/IP client. Since the client is connected to the server, this data is available in the server. When the server receives the data with a terminator from the client, server triggers its callback function, which displays the data.

```
writeline(client, "Hello, world!")
Hello, world!
Turn the callback off.
configureCallback(server, "off")
Verify that the callback is off.
server.BytesAvailableFcnMode
ans =
"off"
```

#### Set TCP/IP Server Callback and Trigger to Byte Mode

Create a callback function called readByteFcn and save it as a .m file in the current working directory.

```
function readByteFcn(src,~)
data = read(src,src.NumBytesAvailable);
disp(data)
end
```

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for connections at localhost and port 4000.

Create a TCP/IP client to connect to your server object using tcpclient. You must specify the same IP address and port number you use to create server.

```
client = tcpclient("localhost",4000)
client =
    tcpclient with properties:
        Address: 'localhost'
        Port: 4000
    NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

Set the callback function readByteFcn to trigger when five bytes of new data are available to be read in the server. The callback function readByteFcn reads and displays all the data sent from the connected client.

```
configureCallback(server, "byte", 5,@readByteFcn)
View the properties to confirm the change.
server.BytesAvailableFcnMode
```

```
ans =
"byte"
server.BytesAvailableFcnCount
ans = 5
server.BytesAvailableFcn
```

```
ans = function_handle with value:
    @readByteFcn
```

Write five bytes of data to the TCP/IP client. Since the client is connected to the server, this data is available in the server. When the server receives the five bytes of data from the client, server triggers its callback function, which displays the data.

```
write(client,1:5,"uint8")
1 2 3 4 5
Turn the callback off.
configureCallback(server,"off")
Verify that the callback is off.
server.BytesAvailableFcnMode
ans =
"off"
```

## **Input Arguments**

#### t — TCP/IP server

tcpserver object

TCP/IP server, specified as a tcpserver object.

Example: configureCallback(t,"byte",128,@callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger each time 128 bytes of new data are available to be read from the TCP/IP server t.

#### count — Number of bytes of data to trigger callback

positive integer value

Number of bytes of available data to trigger the callback, specified as a positive integer value. Set the BytesAvailableFcnCount property using this argument.

Example: configureCallback(t,"byte",128,@callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger each time 128 bytes of new data are available to be read.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

### callbackFcn — Callback function to run when trigger condition is met

function handle

Callback function to run when trigger condition is met, specified as a function handle. The function handle can be a named function handle or an anonymous function with input arguments. Set the BytesAvailableFcn property using this argument.

Example: configureCallback(t, "terminator", @callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger when a terminator is available to be read.

Data Types: function\_handle

## See Also

tcpserver|configureTerminator

Introduced in R2021a

# configureCallback

Set callback function and trigger condition for communication with UDP socket

## **Syntax**

```
configureCallback(u,"terminator",callbackFcn)
configureCallback(u,"byte",count,callbackFcn)
configureCallback(u,"datagram",count,callbackFcn)
configureCallback(u,"off")
```

## Description

configureCallback(u, "terminator", callbackFcn) sets the callback function callbackFcn to trigger whenever a terminator is available to be read from the specified UDP socket. u must be a byte-type udpport object. This syntax sets the BytesAvailableFcnMode property of u to "terminator", and the BytesAvailableFcn property to callbackFcn.

You set the terminator string with the configureTerminator function.

configureCallback(u, "byte", count, callbackFcn) sets the callback function callbackFcn to trigger whenever a new count number of bytes are available to be read. u must be a byte-type udpport object. This syntax sets the BytesAvailableFcnMode property of u to "byte", the BytesAvailableFcnCount property to count, and the BytesAvailableFcn property to callbackFcn.

configureCallback(u, "datagram", count, callbackFcn) sets the callback function callbackFcn to trigger whenever a new count number of datagrams are available to be read. u must be a datagram-type udpport object. This syntax sets the DatagramsAvailableFcnMode property of u to "datagram", the DatagramsAvailableFcnCount property to count, and the DatagramsAvailableFcn property to callbackFcn.

configureCallback(u, "off") turns off callbacks. This syntax sets the
BytesAvailableFcnMode or DatagramsAvailableFcnMode property of u to "off".

## **Examples**

#### **Configure UDP Socket Callback**

Create a UDP socket and configure its callback.

Set the callback to trigger when a specified terminator is received.

```
u = udpport;
configureTerminator(u,"CR/LF")
configureCallback(u,"terminator",@myCallback)

Set the callback to trigger when 50 bytes are available to read.
configureCallback(u,"byte",50,@myCallback)
```

Turn off the callback.

configureCallback(u, "off")

## **Input Arguments**

#### u — UDP socket

udpport object

UDP socket, specified as a udpport object.

Example: u = udpport

Data Types: udpport object

#### count — Number of bytes or datagrams of data to trigger callback

positive integer value

Number of bytes or datagrams of available data to trigger the callback, specified as a positive integer value. This argument sets the BytesAvailableFcnCount or DatagramsAvailableFcnCount property.

Example: configureCallback(u, "byte", 128,@readMyData) sets readMyData as the BytesAvailableFcn to trigger each time 128 bytes of new data are available to be read.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

## callbackFcn — Callback function to run when trigger condition is met

function handle

Callback function to run when the trigger condition is met, specified as a function handle. The function handle can be a named function handle or an anonymous function with input arguments. This argument sets the BytesAvailableFcn property.

Example: configureCallback(u, "terminator",@readMyData) sets readMyData as the BytesAvailableFcn to trigger when a terminator is available.

Data Types: function handle

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

udpport | configureTerminator

Introduced in R2020b

# configureCallback

Set callback function and trigger condition for communication with VISA resource

## **Syntax**

```
configureCallback(v,"terminator",callbackFcn)
configureCallback(v,"byte",count,callbackFcn)
configureCallback(v,"off")
```

## **Description**

configureCallback(v, "terminator", callbackFcn) sets the callback function callbackFcn to trigger whenever a terminator is available to be read from the VISA resource v. The syntax sets the BytesAvailableFcnMode property of v to "terminator" and the BytesAvailableFcn property to callbackFcn.

Set the terminator character using configureTerminator.

configureCallback(v,"byte",count,callbackFcn) sets the callback function callbackFcn to trigger whenever a new count number of bytes are available to be read. The syntax sets the BytesAvailableFcnMode property of v to "byte", the BytesAvailableFcnCount property to count, and the BytesAvailableFcn property to callbackFcn.

configureCallback(v, "off") turns off callbacks. The syntax sets the BytesAvailableFcnMode property of v to "off".

## **Examples**

"terminator"

#### Set VISA Resource Callback and Trigger to "terminator" Mode

Create a connection to a VISA resource. This example shows a connection to a device with the alias  ${\sf COM4}$  using the VISA-Serial interface.

```
v = visadev("COM4");
Set the callback to trigger when a terminator is available to be read.
configureCallback(v,"terminator",@callbackFcn)
View the properties to confirm the change.
v.BytesAvailableFcnMode
v.BytesAvailableFcn
ans =
```

```
ans =
  function_handle with value:
    @callbackFcn

Turn the callback off.
configureCallback(v,"off")

Verify that the callback is off.
v.BytesAvailableFcnMode

ans =
    "off"
```

#### Set VISA Resource Callback and Trigger to "byte" Mode

Create a connection to a VISA resource. This example shows a connection to a device with the alias COM4 using the VISA-Serial interface.

```
v = visadev("COM4");
Set the callback to trigger when 50 bytes of data are available to be read.
configureCallback(v,"byte",50,@callbackFcn)
View the properties to confirm the change.
v.BytesAvailableFcnMode
v.BytesAvailableFcnCount
v.BytesAvailableFcn
ans =
    "byte"
ans =
    50
ans =
  function_handle with value:
    @callbackFcn
Turn the callback off.
configureCallback(v,"off")
Verify that the callback is off.
```

#### v.BytesAvailableFcnMode

```
ans = "off"
```

## **Input Arguments**

#### v — VISA resource

visadev object

VISA resource, specified as a visadev object.

Example: configureCallback(v, "byte", 128,@callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger each time 128 bytes of new data are available to be read from the VISA resource v.

#### count — Number of bytes of data to trigger callback

positive integer value

Number of bytes of available data to trigger the callback, specified as a positive integer value. Set the BytesAvailableFcnCount property using this argument.

Example: configureCallback(v, "byte", 128,@callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger each time 128 bytes of new data are available to be read.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

#### callbackFcn — Callback function to run when trigger condition is met

function handle

Callback function to run when trigger condition is met, specified as a function handle. The function handle can be a named function handle or an anonymous function with input arguments. Set the BytesAvailableFcn property using this argument.

Example: configureCallback(v, "terminator", @callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger when a terminator is available to be read.

Data Types: function handle

## **Compatibility Considerations**

#### visadev interface no longer supports callback functions

Behavior changed in R2022a

Callback functions are no longer supported for the visadev interface. The configureCallback function and the NumBytesAvailable, BytesAvailableFcnMode, BytesAvailableFcnCount, and BytesAvailableFcn properties and are no longer supported for visadev objects.

#### See Also

visadev|configureTerminator

#### Introduced in R2021a

# configureChannel

Return or set specified oscilloscope control on selected channel

## **Syntax**

```
value = configureChannel(myScope, channel, control)
configureChannel(myScope, channel, Name, Value)
```

## **Description**

value = configureChannel(myScope, channel, control) returns the value of the specified
oscilloscope control control on the selected channel.

configureChannel(myScope, channel, Name, Value) sets the value of the specified oscilloscope control using a name-value pair argument.

## **Examples**

#### **Set Vertical Range Control of Oscilloscope**

Change the vertical range control on an oscilloscope using the Quick-Control Oscilloscope in Instrument Control Toolbox.

Create a connection to the oscilloscope.

```
myScope = oscilloscope("ASRL1::INSTR")
myScope =
oscilloscope: TEKTRONIX,TDS 1002
   Instrument Settings:
      AcquisitionStartDelay: 'Not supported'
            AcquisitionTime: 2.5 s
               ChannelNames: 'CH1', 'CH2', 'MATH', 'REFA', 'REFB'
            ChannelsEnabled: 'CH1'
            SingleSweepMode: 'off'
                    Timeout: 10 s
             WaveformLength: 2500
   Trigger Settings:
                TriggerMode: 'auto'
   Communication Properties:
                     Status: 'open'
                   Resource: 'ASRL1::INSTR'
lists of methods
Get the current vertical range value for 'CH1'.
offset = configureChannel(myScope, 'CH1', 'VerticalRange')
```

```
offset = 5
```

Set the vertical range value to 2.00 V.

```
configureChannel(myScope, 'CH1', 'VerticalRange',2)
```

You can look at the display on the oscilloscope and verify that the vertical offset value has changed to 2.00 V. Get the new vertical range value by reading the value again.

```
offset = configureChannel(myScope, 'CH1', 'VerticalRange')
offset = 2
```

## **Input Arguments**

#### myScope — Oscilloscope connection

Quick-Control Oscilloscope object

Oscilloscope connection created using oscilloscope, specified as a Quick-Control Oscilloscope object.

#### channel — Oscilloscope channel name

```
character vector | string
```

Oscilloscope channel name, specified as a character vector or string. See valid channel names by viewing the Channel Names property of your oscilloscope object.

```
Data Types: char | string
```

#### control — Oscilloscope control

```
'VerticalCoupling'|'VerticalOffset'|'VerticalRange'|'ProbeAttenuation'
```

Oscilloscope control, specified as a character vector or string. Valid values are the same as the parameter names of the "Name-Value Pair Arguments" on page 23-103:

- 'VerticalCoupling' Input signal coupling type
- 'VerticalOffset' Center of signal range
- 'VerticalRange' Input signal range
- 'ProbeAttenuation' Probe attenuation

Example: configureChannel(myScope, 'Channel1', 'VerticalOffset') returns the current vertical offset value of 'Channel1' on your oscilloscope.

```
Data Types: char | string
```

#### Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of Name, Value arguments. Name is the argument name and Value is the corresponding value. Name must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as Name1, Value1, . . . , NameN, ValueN.

Example: configureChannel(myScope, 'Channell', 'ProbeAttenuation', 10) sets the probe attenuation value on the channel named 'Channell' of the oscilloscope object myScope to 10.

## VerticalCoupling — Input signal coupling type

'AC' | 'DC' | 'GND'

Input signal coupling type, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'VerticalCoupling' and one of the following values:

- 'AC' Alternating coupling
- 'DC' Direct coupling
- 'GND' Ground

Example: configureChannel(myScope, 'VerticalCoupling', 'Channel1', 'AC') sets the oscilloscope to apply alternating coupling to the input signal.

Data Types: char | string

#### **VerticalOffset** — **Center of signal range**

numeric

Center of signal range in V, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'VerticalOffset' and a number.

Example: configureChannel(myScope, 'Channell', 'VerticalOffset',5) sets the oscilloscope to acquire a signal that is centered at 5.0 V.

Data Types: double

#### VerticalRange — Input signal range

numeric

Input signal range, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'VerticalRange' and a number.

Example: configureChannel(myScope, 'Channell', 'VerticalRange', 2) sets the oscilloscope to acquire a signal with an input range of 2.00 volts.

Data Types: double

#### ProbeAttenuation — Probe attenuation

numeric

Probe attenuation, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'ProbeAttenuation' and a number. The value must be a multiple of 10.

Example: configureChannel(myScope, 'Channel1', 'ProbeAttenuation', 10) sets the probe attenuation to 10.

Data Types: double

#### See Also

oscilloscope | readWaveform

#### Introduced in R2011b

# configureMulticast

Set multicast properties for communication with UDP socket

## **Syntax**

```
configureMulticast(u,address)
configureMulticast(u,address,loopbackEnable)
configureMulticast(u,"off")
```

## **Description**

configureMulticast(u,address) subscribes the UDP socket u to the multicast group address address. This syntax sets the MulticastGroup property to address, the EnableMulticastLoopback property to true (the default), and the EnableMulticast property to true.

This function is only supported on Windows.

configureMulticast(u,address,loopbackEnable) subscribes the UDP socket to the specified address, while the loopbackEnable property controls whether loopback is enabled. This syntax sets the EnableMulticastLoopback accordingly.

configureMulticast(u, "off") clears the multicast configuration and related properties.

## **Examples**

#### **Configure UDP Socket Multicast**

Create a UDP socket and configure its multicast settings.

Subscribe to a multicast address, allowing loopback.

```
u = udpport;
configureMulticast(u,"226.0.0.1");
```

Subscribe to a multicast address, but ensure that the UDP socket does not receive the data that it sends to the multicast group.

```
configureMulticast(u, "226.0.0.1", false);
```

Unsubscribe from the multicast group.

```
configureMulticast(u, "off");
```

## **Input Arguments**

#### u - UDP socket

udpport object

UDP socket, specified as a udpport object.

Example: u = udpport

Data Types: udpport object

#### address - Multicast group address to subscribe to

string | character vector

Multicast group address to subscribe to, specified as a string or character vector.

Example: "226.0.0.1"

Data Types: char | string

#### loopbackEnable — Allow loopback reading by UDP socket

true (default) | false

Allow loopback reading by the UDP socket, specified as false or true. If you specify true, the UDP socket can receive messages that it sends to the multicast group, if the udpport socket sending the data is itself subscribed to the multicast group.

Example: false
Data Types: logical

#### See Also

# **Functions** udpport

Introduced in R2020b

# configureTerminator

Set terminator for ASCII string communication with serial port

## **Syntax**

```
configureTerminator(device, terminator)
configureTerminator(device, readterminator, writeterminator)
```

## **Description**

configureTerminator(device,terminator) defines the terminator for both read and write communications with the specified serial port. Allowed terminator values are "LF" (default), "CR", "CR/LF", and integer values from 0 to 255. The syntax sets the Terminator property of device.

After you set the terminator, use writeline and readline to write and read ASCII terminated string data.

configureTerminator(device, readterminator, writeterminator) defines separate terminators for read and write communications.

## **Examples**

#### **Set Same Terminator for Read and Write Communication**

```
Create a connection to a serial port device using serialport.
```

#### **Set Different Terminators for Read and Write Communication**

Create a connection to a serial port device using serialport.

The first element in the array is the read terminator and the second is the write terminator.

#### Write and Read Line of ASCII Data from Serial Port Device

Create a connection to a serial port device. In this example, the serial port at COM3 is connected to a loopback device.

Set the terminator to "CR" and write a string of ASCII data. The writeline function automatically appends the terminator to the data.

```
configureTerminator(device, "CR")
writeline(device, "hello")
```

Write another string of ASCII data with the terminator automatically appended.

```
writeline(device, "world")
```

Since the port is connected to a loopback device, the data you write to the device is returned to MATLAB. Read a string of ASCII data. The readline function returns data until it reaches a terminator.

```
readline(device)
```

```
ans = "hello"
```

Read a string of ASCII data again to return the second string that you wrote.

```
readline(device)
```

```
ans = "world"
```

Clear the serial port connection.

```
clear device
```

## **Input Arguments**

#### device — Serial port connection

```
serialport object
```

Serial port connection, specified as a serial port object.

Example: configureTerminator(device, "CR") sets the terminator on the serial port connection device.

#### terminator — ASCII terminator

```
"LF" (default) | "CR" | "CR/LF" | 0 to 255
```

ASCII terminator for read and write communication, specified as "LF", "CR", "CR/LF", or a numeric integer value from 0 to 255. Use this form when setting the same terminator for both read and write. When reading from the serial port with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the read terminates on the occurrence of CR and LF together. When writing to the serial port with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the write terminates by adding both CR and LF. This input argument sets the Terminator property.

Example: configureTerminator(device, "CR/LF") sets both the read and write terminators to "CR/LF".

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

# readterminator,writeterminator — ASCII terminators for read and write "LF" (default) | "CR" | "CR/LF" | 0 to 255

ASCII terminators for read or write communication, specified as "LF", "CR", "CR/LF", or a numeric integer value from 0 to 255. Use this form when setting different terminators for read and write. When reading from the serial port with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the read terminates on the occurrence of CR and LF together. When writing to the serial port with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the write terminates by adding both CR and LF. This input argument sets the Terminator property.

Example: configureTerminator(device, "CR", 10) sets the read terminator to "CR" and write terminator to 10.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

writeline|readline|serialport|configureCallback

#### **Introduced in R2019b**

# configureTerminator

Set terminator for ASCII string communication with remote host over TCP/IP

## **Syntax**

```
configureTerminator(t,terminator)
configureTerminator(t,readterminator,writeterminator)
```

## **Description**

configureTerminator(t,terminator) defines the terminator for both read and write communications with the remote host specified by the TCP/IP client t. Allowed terminator values are "LF" (default), "CR", "CR/LF", and integer values from 0 to 255. The syntax sets the Terminator property of t.

After you set the terminator, use writeline and readline to write and read ASCII terminated string data.

configureTerminator(t, readterminator, writeterminator) defines separate terminators
for read and write communications.

## **Examples**

#### **Set Same Terminator for Read and Write Communication**

```
Create a TCP/IP client called t, using the IP address 172.28.154.231 and port 4012.
```

```
t = tcpclient("172.28.154.231",4012)

t =
    tcpclient with properties:
        Address: '172.28.154.231'
        Port: 4012
    NumBytesAvailable: 0
    Show all properties, functions

Set both the read and write terminators to "CR/LF".
configureTerminator(t, "CR/LF")

Confirm the change.
t.Terminator
```

```
ans = "CR/LF"
```

#### **Set Different Terminators for Read and Write Communication**

Create a TCP/IP client called t, using the IP address 172.28.154.231 and port 4012.

```
t = tcpclient("172.28.154.231",4012)

t =
    tcpclient with properties:
        Address: '172.28.154.231'
        Port: 4012
    NumBytesAvailable: 0

Show all properties, functions
```

Set the read terminator to "CR" and the write terminator to 10.

```
configureTerminator(t, "CR", 10)
```

Confirm the change.

#### t.Terminator

```
ans=1×2 cell array
{["CR"]} {[10]}
```

The first element in the array is the read terminator and the second is the write terminator.

#### Write and Read Line of ASCII Data from Remote Host

Create a TCP/IP client connection called t, connecting to a TCP/IP echo server with port 4000. To do so, you must have an echotcpip server running on port 4000.

Check the default ASCII terminator.

#### t.Terminator

```
ans = "LF"
```

Set the terminator to "CR" and write a string of ASCII data. The writeline function automatically appends the terminator to the data.

```
configureTerminator(t,"CR")
writeline(t,"hello")
```

Write another string of ASCII data with the terminator automatically appended.

```
writeline(t, "world")
```

Since the client is connected to an echo server, the data you write to the server is returned to the client. Read a string of ASCII data. The readline function returns data until it reaches a terminator.

```
readline(t)
ans =
"hello"
```

Read a string of ASCII data again to return the second string that you wrote.

```
readline(t)
```

```
ans =
"world"
```

Close the echo server and clear the TCP/IP client connection.

```
echotcpip("off")
clear t
```

## **Input Arguments**

#### t - TCP/IP client

tcpclient object

TCP/IP client, specified as a tcpclient object.

Example: configureTerminator(t, "CR/LF") sets the terminator value for the TCP/IP client t.

```
terminator — ASCII terminator
```

```
"LF" (default) | "CR" | "CR/LF" | 0 to 255
```

ASCII terminator for read and write communication, specified as "LF", "CR", "CR/LF", or a numeric integer value from 0 to 255. Use this form when setting the same terminator for both read and write. When reading from the remote host with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the read terminates on the occurrence of CR and LF together. When writing to the remote host with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the write terminates by adding both CR and LF. This input argument sets the Terminator property.

Example: configureTerminator(t, "CR/LF") sets both the read and write terminators to "CR/LF".

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

# readterminator,writeterminator — ASCII terminators for read and write "LF" (default) | "CR" | "CR/LF" | 0 to 255

ASCII terminators for read or write communication, specified as "LF", "CR", "CR/LF", or a numeric integer value from 0 to 255. Use this form when setting different terminators for read and write. When reading from the remote host with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the read terminates on the occurrence of CR and LF together. When writing to the remote host with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the write terminates by adding both CR and LF. This input argument sets the Terminator property.

Example: configureTerminator(t, "CR", 10) sets the read terminator to "CR" and write terminator to 10.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

tcpclient|configureCallback|readline|writeline

#### **Introduced in R2020b**

# configureTerminator

Set terminator for ASCII string communication

## **Syntax**

```
configureTerminator(t,terminator)
configureTerminator(t,readterminator,writeterminator)
```

## **Description**

configureTerminator(t,terminator) defines the terminator for both read and write
communications with the client connected to the TCP/IP server t. Allowed terminator values are
"LF" (default), "CR", "CR/LF", and integer values from 0 to 255. The syntax sets the Terminator
property of t.

After you set the terminator, use writeline and readline to write and read ASCII-terminated string data.

configureTerminator(t, readterminator, writeterminator) defines separate terminators
for read and write communications.

## **Examples**

#### **Set Same Terminator for Read and Write Communication**

Create a TCP/IP server on port 4000.

Set both the read and write terminators to "CR/LF".

```
configureTerminator(server, "CR/LF")
```

If you have a client connected to the server, you must set the same terminators for the client and server to successfully perform readline and writeline operations.

Confirm the change.

#### server.Terminator

```
ans = "CR/LF"
```

#### **Set Different Terminators for Read and Write Communication**

Create a TCP/IP server on port 4000.

Set the read terminator to "CR" and the write terminator to 10.

```
configureTerminator(server, "CR", 10)
```

If you have a client connected to the server, you must set the same terminators for the client and server to successfully perform readline and writeline operations.

Confirm the change.

```
server.Terminator
```

```
ans=1×2 cell array {["CR"]} {[10]}
```

#### Write Line of ASCII Data from TCP/IP Server

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for connections at localhost and port 4000.

```
server = tcpserver("localhost",4000)
server =
   TCPServer with properties:
        ServerAddress: "127.0.0.1"
              ServerPort: 4000
              Connected: 0
        ClientAddress: ""
        ClientPort: []
```

```
NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

Create a TCP/IP client to connect to your server object using tcpclient. You must specify the same IP address and port number you use to create server.

Check the default ASCII terminator for the server.

```
server.Terminator
```

```
ans = "LF"
```

Set the terminators for both the server and client to "CR". The TCP/IP server and its connected client must have the same terminator.

```
configureTerminator(server, "CR")
configureTerminator(client, "CR")
```

Write a string of ASCII data from the server to the client by writing it to the server object. The writeline function automatically appends the terminator to the data.

```
writeline(server, "hello")
```

Write another string of ASCII data with the terminator automatically appended.

```
writeline(server, "world")
```

Since the client is connected to the server, the data you write is available in the client. Read a string of ASCII data from the client object. The readline function returns data until it reaches a terminator.

```
readline(client)
```

```
ans = "hello"
```

Read a string of ASCII data again to return the second string.

```
readline(client)
```

```
ans =
"world"
```

#### **Input Arguments**

#### t — TCP/IP server

tcpserver object

TCP/IP server, specified as a tcpserver object.

Example: configureTerminator(t, "CR/LF") sets the terminator value for the TCP/IP server t.

#### terminator — ASCII terminator

```
"LF" (default) | "CR" | "CR/LF" | 0 to 255
```

ASCII terminator for read and write communication, specified as "LF", "CR", "CR/LF", or a numeric integer value from 0 to 255. Use this form when setting the same terminator for both read and write. When reading from the remote host with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the read terminates on an occurrence of CR and LF together. When writing to the remote host with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the write terminates by adding both CR and LF. This input argument sets the Terminator property.

Example: configureTerminator(t, "CR/LF") sets both the read and write terminators to "CR/LF".

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

#### readterminator, writeterminator — ASCII terminators for read and write

```
"LF" (default) | "CR" | "CR/LF" | 0 to 255
```

ASCII terminators for read or write communication, specified as "LF", "CR", "CR/LF", or a numeric integer value from 0 to 255. Use this form when setting different terminators for read and write. When reading from the remote host with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the read terminates on an occurrence of CR and LF together. When writing to the remote host with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the write terminates by adding both CR and LF. This input argument sets the Terminator property.

Example: configureTerminator(t, "CR", 10) sets the read terminator to "CR" and write terminator to 10.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

#### See Also

tcpserver|configureCallback|readline|writeline

#### Introduced in R2021a

# configureTerminator

Set terminator for ASCII string communication with UDP socket

## **Syntax**

```
configureTerminator(u,terminator)
configureTerminator(u,readterminator,writeterminator)
```

## **Description**

configureTerminator(u,terminator) defines the terminator for both read and write communications with the specified UDP socket. u must be a byte-type udpport object. Allowed terminator values are "LF" (default), "CR", "CR/LF", and integer values from 0 to 255. The syntax sets the Terminator property of u.

After you set the terminator, use writeline and readline to write and read ASCII-terminated string data.

configureTerminator(u, readterminator, writeterminator) defines separate terminators
for read and write communications.

# **Examples**

#### **Set Common Terminator for Read and Write Communication**

```
Create a UDP socket and set its read and write terminators to "CR/LF".
```

```
u = udpport;
configureTerminator(u, "CR/LF")
Confirm the change.
u.Terminator
ans =
    "CR/LF"
```

#### Set Different Terminators for Read and Write Communication

Create a UDP socket and set its read terminator to "CR" and its write terminator to 10.

```
u = udpport;
configureTerminator(u, "CR", 10)
Confirm the change.
```

u.Terminator

```
ans =

1×2 cell array

{["CR"]} {[10]}
```

The first element in the array is the read terminator and the second is the write terminator.

#### **Input Arguments**

#### u — Byte-type UDP socket

udpport object

Byte-type UDP socket, specified as a udpport object.

```
Example: u = udpport
Data Types: udpport object
```

#### terminator — ASCII terminator

```
"LF" (default) | "CR" | "CR/LF" | 0 to 255
```

ASCII terminator for read and write communication, specified as "LF", "CR", "CR/LF", or a numeric integer value from 0 to 255. Use this form when setting the same terminator for both read and write. When you read from the UDP socket with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the read terminates on the occurrence of CR and LF together. When you write to the UDP socket with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the write terminates by adding both CR and LF. This input argument sets the Terminator property.

Example: configureTerminator(u, "CR/LF") sets both the read and write terminators to "CR/LF"

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

# ${\it readterminator, write terminator-ASCII\ terminators\ for\ read\ and\ write}$

```
"LF" (default) | "CR" | "CR/LF" | 0 to 255
```

ASCII terminators for read or write communication, specified as "LF", "CR", "CR/LF", or a numeric integer value from 0 to 255. Use this form when setting different terminators for read and write. When you read from the UDP socket with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the read terminates on the occurrence of CR and LF together. When you write to the UDP socket with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the write terminates by adding both CR and LF. This input argument sets the Terminator property to a cell array of {readterminator, writeterminator}.

Example: configureTerminator(u, "CR", 10) sets the read terminator to "CR" and the write terminator to 10.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

udpport | writeline | readline

## Introduced in R2020b

# configureTerminator

Set terminator for ASCII string communication with VISA resource

## **Syntax**

```
configureTerminator(v,terminator)
configureTerminator(v,readterminator,writeterminator)
```

## **Description**

configureTerminator(v,terminator) defines the terminator for both read and write communications with the VISA resource v. Allowed terminator values are "LF" (default), "CR", "CR/LF", and integer values from 0 to 255. The syntax sets the Terminator property of v.

After you set the terminator, use writeline and readline to write and read ASCII-terminated string data.

configureTerminator(v, readterminator, writeterminator) defines separate terminators for read and write communications.

## **Examples**

#### **Set Same Terminator for Read and Write Communication**

Create a connection to a VISA resource. This example shows a connection to a device with the alias COM4 using the VISA-Serial interface.

```
v = visadev("COM4");
Set both the read and write terminators to "CR/LF".
configureTerminator(v, "CR/LF")
Confirm the change.
v.Terminator
ans =
"CR/LF"
```

#### **Set Different Terminators for Read and Write Communication**

Create a connection to a VISA resource. This example shows a connection to a device with the alias COM4 using the VISA-Serial interface.

```
v = visadev("COM4");
```

Set the read terminator to "CR" and the write terminator to 10.

```
configureTerminator(v, "CR", 10)
```

Confirm the change.

```
v.Terminator
```

```
ans=1×2 cell array {["CR"]} {[10]}
```

The first element in the array is the read terminator and the second is the write terminator.

#### **Input Arguments**

#### v - VISA resource

visadev object

VISA resource, specified as a visadev object.

Example: configureTerminator(v, "CR/LF") sets the terminator value for the VISA resource v.

#### terminator — ASCII terminator

```
"LF" (default) | "CR" | "CR/LF" | 0 to 255
```

ASCII terminator for read and write communication, specified as "LF", "CR", "CR/LF", or a numeric integer value from 0 to 255. Use this form when setting the same terminator for both read and write. When reading from the remote host with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the read terminates on an occurrence of CR and LF together. When writing to the remote host with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the write terminates by adding both CR and LF. This input argument sets the Terminator property.

Example: configureTerminator(v, "CR/LF") sets both the read and write terminators to "CR/LF".

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

# readterminator, writeterminator — ASCII terminators for read and write

```
"LF" (default) | "CR" | "CR/LF" | 0 to 255
```

ASCII terminators for read or write communication, specified as "LF", "CR", "CR/LF", or a numeric integer value from 0 to 255. Use this form when setting different terminators for read and write. When reading from the remote host with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the read terminates on an occurrence of CR and LF together. When writing to the remote host with a terminator value of "CR/LF", the write terminates by adding both CR and LF. This input argument sets the Terminator property.

Example: configureTerminator(v, "CR", 10) sets the read terminator to "CR" and write terminator to 10.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

#### See Also

visadev | readline | writeline

#### Introduced in R2021a

## connect

Connect device object to instrument

# **Syntax**

```
connect(obj)
connect(obj,'update')
```

## **Arguments**

obj A device object or an array of device objects.

update Update the state of the object or the instrument.

## **Description**

connect(obj) connects the device object specified by obj to the instrument. obj can be an array of device objects.

connect(obj,'update') updates the state of the object or the instrument. update can be object or instrument. If update is object, the object is updated to reflect the state of the instrument. If update is instrument, the instrument is updated to reflect the state of the object. In this case, all property values defined by the object are sent to the instrument on open. By default, update is object.

# **Examples**

Create a device object for a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope that is connected to a National Instruments GPIB board.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,2);
d = icdevice('tektronix_tds210',g);
Connect to the instrument.
connect(d)
List the oscilloscope settings that can be configured.
props = set(d);
Get the current configuration of the oscilloscope.
values = get(d);
Disconnect from the instrument and clean up.
disconnect(d)
delete([d g])
```

# **Tips**

If obj is successfully connected to the instrument, its Status property is configured to open. If obj is an array of device objects and one of the objects cannot be connected to the instrument, the remaining objects in the array will be connected and a warning is displayed.

#### **See Also**

disconnect | delete | instrhelp | Status

# delete

Remove instrument objects from memory

## **Syntax**

```
delete(obj)
```

#### **Arguments**

obj

An instrument object or an array of instrument objects.

## **Description**

delete(obj) removes obj from memory.

## **Examples**

This example creates the GPIB object g, connects g to the instrument, writes and reads text data, disconnects g, removes g from memory using delete, and then removes g from the workspace using clear.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
fopen(g)
fprintf(g,'*IDN?')
idn = fscanf(g);
fclose(g)
delete(g)
clear g
```

# Tips

When you delete obj, it becomes an *invalid* object. Because you cannot connect an invalid object to the instrument, you should remove it from the workspace with the clear command. If multiple references to obj exist in the workspace, then deleting one reference invalidates the remaining references.

If obj is connected to the instrument, it has a Status property value of open. If you issue delete while obj is connected, the connection is automatically broken. You can also disconnect obj from the instrument with the fclose function.

If obj is an interface object that is associated with a device object, the device object is automatically deleted when obj is deleted. However, if obj is a device object, the interface object is not automatically deleted when obj is deleted.

#### See Also

clear | fclose | instrhelp | isvalid | stopasync | Status

# devicereset

Reset instrument

# **Syntax**

devicereset(obj)

## **Arguments**

obj

A device object.

# **Description**

devicereset(obj) resets the instrument associated with the device object specified by obj.

# disconnect

Disconnect device object from instrument

## **Syntax**

```
disconnect(obj)
```

## **Arguments**

obj

A device object or an array of device objects.

## **Description**

disconnect(obj) disconnects the device object specified by obj from the instrument.

## **Examples**

Create a device object for a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope that is connected to a National Instruments GPIB board.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,2);
d = icdevice('tektronix_tds210',g);
Connect to the instrument.
connect(d)
Get the current configuration of the oscilloscope.
values = get(d);
Disconnect from the instrument and clean up.
disconnect(d)
delete([d g])
```

## **Tips**

If obj is disconnected from the instrument, its Status property is configured to closed. You can reconnect to the instrument with the connect function. If obj is an array of device objects and one of the objects cannot be disconnected from the instrument, the remaining objects in the array will be disconnected and a warning is displayed.

#### See Also

```
connect | delete | instrhelp | Status
```

# disp

Display instrument object summary information

## **Syntax**

```
obj
disp(obj)
```

## **Arguments**

obj

An instrument object or an array of instrument objects.

# **Description**

obj or disp(obj) displays summary information for obj.

## **Examples**

The following commands display summary information for the GPIB object g.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1)
g.EOSMode = 'read'
g
```

# **Tips**

In addition to the syntax shown above, you can display summary information for obj by excluding the semicolon when

- Creating an instrument object
- Configuring property values using the dot notation

You can also display summary information via the Workspace browser by right-clicking an instrument object, and selecting **Display Summary** from the context menu.

# download

Downloads arbitrary waveform to RF signal generator

## **Syntax**

```
download(rf, IQData, SampleRate)
```

## **Description**

download(rf, IQData, SampleRate) downloads an arbitrary waveform to the RF signal generator, rf. It accepts a complex vector of doubles containing the IQData and a double defining the SampleRate of the signal.

#### **Examples**

#### **Download a Waveform to RF Signal Generator**

You can download a waveform to your rfsiggen object and assign the IQData and SampleRate to use.

Create an rfsiggen object to communicate with an RF signal generator using the VISA resource string and driver associated with your own instrument.

```
rf = rfsiggen('TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR','AgRfSigGen')
```

When you designate the Resource and Driver properties during object creation, it automatically connects to the instrument.

Assign the IQData and SampleRate variables to use in the download.

```
IQData = (-0.98:0.02:1) + 1i*(-0.98:0.02:1);
SampleRate = 800000;
Perform the download.
download(rf, IQData, SampleRate)
```

## **Input Arguments**

#### IQData — IQ data to use in the download

vector of doubles

IQ data to use in the download, specified as a vector of doubles. This example downloads the data to the RF Signal Generator object rf using the specified IQ data and sample rate.

```
Example: download(rf, IQData, SampleRate)
Data Types: double
Complex Number Support: Yes
```

#### SampleRate — Sample rate of the signal

double

Sample rate of the signal, specified as a double. This example downloads the data to the RF signal generator object rf using the specified IQ data and sample rate.

Example: download(rf, IQData, SampleRate)

Data Types: double

#### See Also

rfsiggen | start | resources | drivers

#### **Topics**

"Download and Generate Signals with RF Signal Generator" on page 13-42

"Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Functions" on page 13-38

"Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Properties" on page 13-40

#### Introduced in R2017b

## drivers

List of available instrument drivers for Quick-Control interfaces

## **Syntax**

drivers(rf)

## **Description**

drivers (rf) lists the drivers for RF signal generator object rf. It returns a list of drivers for the Quick-Control RF Signal Generator, Quick-Control Oscilloscope, or Quick-Control Function Generator objects. It also lists instrument model information for each driver.

## **Examples**

#### List Drivers and Connect to RF Signal Generator

The drivers function can list drivers available for any of the Quick-Control interface objects: RF signal generator (rfsiggen), oscilloscope (oscilloscope), or function generator (fgen). This example uses Quick-Control RF Signal Generator, but the function also works in the same way for the other two object types.

Create an RF signal generator object without assigning the resource or driver.

```
rf = rfsiggen;
List the drivers.
drivers(rf)
ans =

    Driver: AgRfSigGen_SCPI
    Supported Models:
    E4428C, E4438C

    Driver: RsRfSigGen_SCPI
    Supported Models:
    SMW200A, SMBV100A, SMU200A, SMJ100A, AMU200A, SMATE200A

    Driver: AgRfSigGen
    Supported Models:
    E4428C, E4438C, N5181A, N5182A, N5183A, N5171B, N5181B, N5172B
    N5182B, N5173B, N5183B, E8241A, E8244A, E8251A, E8254A, E8247C
```

In this case, it finds the drivers for a Keysight (formerly Agilent) SCPI-based RF signal generator, a Rohde & Shwartz SCPI-based generator, and another Keysight generator. You can see that it lists supported models in each case.

Set the RF signal generator resource using the Resource property, which is the VISA resource string.

```
rf.Resource = 'TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR';
```

Set the RF signal generator driver using the Driver property. The driver name came from using the drivers function in step 2.

```
rf.Driver = 'AgRfSigGen';
```

You can now connect to the instrument.

connect(rf);

## See Also

rfsiggen | download | start | resources

#### **Topics**

"Download and Generate Signals with RF Signal Generator" on page 13-42

"Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Functions" on page 13-38

"Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Properties" on page 13-40

#### Introduced in R2017b

# echotcpip

Start or stop TCP/IP echo server

## **Syntax**

```
echotcpip("on",port)
echotcpip("off")
```

## **Description**

```
echotcpip("on",port) starts a TCP/IP server at the specified port number.
echotcpip("off") stops the echo server.
```

## **Examples**

#### Communicate with Echo TCP/IP Server

This example shows how to set up an echo TCP/IP server. Start the echo server on port 4000 and create a TCP/IP client object. Connect the TCP/IP client object to the host.

```
echotcpip('on',4000)
t = tcpclient('localhost',4000);
Write to the host and read from the host.
writeline(t,'echo this string.')
data = readline(t)

data =
    "echo this string."
```

Stop the echo server, disconnect the TCP/IP client object from the host, and clear the TCP/IP client object.

```
echotcpip('off')
clear t
```

## **Input Arguments**

#### port — Port number of the server

numeric

Port number of the server, specified as a number between 1 and 65535, inclusive.

```
Data Types: double
```

## **See Also**

## **Functions**

echoudp|udpport|tcpclient

## **Topics**

"Communicate Binary and ASCII Data to an Echo Server Using TCP/IP" on page 21-117

# echoudp

Start or stop echo UDP server

# **Syntax**

```
echoudp("on",port)
echoudp("off")
```

## **Description**

```
echoudp("on", port) starts a UDP server at the specified port number.
echoudp("off") stops the echo server.
```

## **Examples**

#### Communicate with an Echo UDP Server

This example shows how to set up an echo UDP server.

Start the echoserver using the echoudp function on port 4012. Create a udpport instance to communicate with the echo server.

Write data using the write function to the echo server running on port 4012.

```
write(u,1:10, "uint8", "127.0.0.1", 4012);
```

The echo server sends back the data written to it. Read this data back using the read function.

```
data = read(u,10) 
data = 1 \times 10 
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
```

Stop the echo server and clear the udpport object.

```
echoudp("off")
clear u
```

# **Input Arguments**

## port — Port number of the server

numeric

Port number of the server, specified as a number between 1 and 65535, inclusive.

Data Types: double

## **See Also**

udpport | tcpclient | echotcpip

# fclose

Disconnect interface object from instrument

## **Syntax**

```
fclose(obj)
```

## **Arguments**

obj

An interface object or an array of interface objects.

## **Description**

fclose(obj) disconnects obj from the instrument.

## **Examples**

This example creates the GPIB object g, connects g to the instrument, writes and reads text data, and then disconnects g from the instrument using fclose.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
fopen(g)
fprintf(g,'*IDN?')
idn = fscanf(g);
fclose(g)
```

At this point, you can once again connect an interface object to the instrument. If you no longer need g, you should remove it from memory with the delete function, and remove it from the workspace with the clear command.

# **Tips**

If obj was successfully disconnected, then the Status property is configured to closed and the RecordStatus property is configured to off. You can reconnect obj to the instrument using the fopen function.

An error is returned if you issue fclose while data is being written asynchronously. In this case, you should abort the write operation with the stopasync function, or wait for the write operation to complete.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

#### gpib object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

Use of this function with a gpib object will be removed. To access a GPIB instrument, use the VISA-GPIB interface with a visadev object, its functions, and its properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### tcpip, visa, and serial object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with the tcpip (with NetworkRole set to server), visa, and serial interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
tcpip	tcpserver	"Transition Your Code to tcpserver Interface" on page 7- 43
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31
serial	serialport	"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26

#### Bluetooth, tcpip, and udp object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2020b

Use of this function with the Bluetooth, tcpip (with NetworkRole set to client), and udp interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
Bluetooth	bluetooth (case-sensitive)	"Transition Your Code to bluetooth Interface"
tcpip	tcpclient	"Transition Your Code to tcpclient Interface" on page 7- 36
udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18

#### serial object interface is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2019b

Use of this function with a serial object is not recommended. To access a serial port, use a serialport instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

clear | delete | fopen | instrhelp | record | stopasync

**Properties**RecordStatus | Status

# fgen

Create Quick-Control Function Generator object

## **Syntax**

```
myFGen = fgen()
connect(myFGen);
set(myFGen, 'P1',V1,'P2',V2,...)
enableOutput(myFGen);
```

## **Description**

The Quick-Control Function Generator can be used for any function generator that uses an underlying IVI-C driver. However, you do not have to directly deal with the underlying driver. This fgen object is easy to use.

myFGen = fgen() creates an instance of the function generator named myFGen.

connect(myFGen); connects to the function generator.

```
set (myFGen, 'P1', V1, 'P2', V2,...) assigns the specified property values.
```

enableOutput(myFGen); enables the function generator to produce a signal that appears at the
output connector.

For information on the prerequisites for using fgen, see "Quick-Control Function Generator Requirements" on page 13-27.

The Quick-Control Function Generator fgen function can use the following special functions, in addition to standard functions such as connect and disconnect.

Function	Description
selectChannel	Specifies the channel name from which the function generator produces the waveform.
	Example:
	<pre>selectChannel(myFGen, '1');</pre>
drivers	Returns a list of available function generator instrument drivers.
	Example:
	<pre>driverlist = drivers(myFGen);</pre>
resources	Retrieves a list of available instrument resources. It returns a list of available VISA resource strings when using an IVI-C function generator.
	Example:
	<pre>res = resources(myFGen);</pre>

Function	Description
selectWaveform	Specifies which arbitrary waveform the function generator produces.
	Example:
	selectWaveform (myFGen, wh);
	where wh is the waveform handle you are selecting.
downloadWaveform	Downloads an arbitrary waveform to the function generator. If you provide an output variable, a waveform handle is returned. It can be used in the selectWaveform and removeWaveform functions.
	If you don't provide an output variable, function generator will overwrite the waveform when a new waveform is downloaded and deletes it upon disconnection.
	Example:
	% To download the following waveform to fgen w = 1:0.001:2; downloadWaveform (myFGen, w);
	% To download a waveform to fgen and return a waveform handle wh = downloadWaveform (myFGen, w);
removeWaveform	Removes a previously created arbitrary waveform from the function generator's memory. If a waveform handle is provided, it removes the waveform represented by the waveform handle.
	Example:
	<pre>% Remove a waveform from fgen with waveform   handle 10000 removeWaveform (myFGen, 10000);</pre>
enableOutput	Enables the function generator to produce a signal that appears at the output connector. This function produces a waveform defined by the Waveform property. If the Waveform property is set to 'Arb', the function uses the latest internal waveform handle to output the waveform.
	enableOutput (myFGen);
disableOutput	Disables the signal that appears at the output connector. Disables the selected channel.
	disableOutput (myFGen);
reset	Sets the function generator to factory state.

# **Arguments**

The Quick-Control Function Generator  ${\sf fgen}$  can use the following properties.

Property	Description
AMDepth	Specifies the extent of Amplitude modulation the function generator applies to the carrier signal. The units are a percentage of full modulation. At 0% depth, the output amplitude equals the carrier signal's amplitude. At 100% depth, the output amplitude equals twice the carrier signal's amplitude. This property affects function generator behavior only when the Mode is set to 'AM' and ModulationResource is set to 'internal'.
Amplitude	Specifies the amplitude of the standard waveform. The value is the amplitude at the output terminal. The units are volts peak-to-peak (Vpp). For example, to produce a waveform ranging from -5.0 to +5.0 volts, set this value to 10.0 volts. Does not apply if Waveform is of type 'Arb'.
ArbWaveformGain	Specifies the factor by which the function generator scales the arbitrary waveform data. Use this property to scale the arbitrary waveform to ranges other than -1.0 to +1.0. When set to 2.0, the output signal ranges from -2.0 to +2.0 volts. Only applies if Waveform is of type 'Arb'.
BurstCount	Specifies the number of waveform cycles that the function generator produces after it receives a trigger. Only applies if Mode is set to 'burst'.
ChannelNames	This read-only property provides available channel names in a cell array.
Driver	This property is optional. Use only if necessary to specify the underlying driver used to communicate with an instrument. If the DriverDetectionMode property is set to 'manual', use the Driver property to specify the instrument driver.
DriverDetectionMode	Sets up criteria for connection. Valid values are 'auto' and 'manual'. The default value is 'auto', which means you do not need to set a driver name before connecting to an instrument. If set to 'manual', a driver name needs to be provided using the Driver property before connecting to instrument.
FMDeviation	Specifies the maximum frequency deviation the modulating waveform applies to the carrier waveform. This deviation corresponds to the maximum amplitude level of the modulating signal. The units are Hertz (Hz). This property affects function generator behavior only when Mode is set to 'FM' and ModulationSource is set to 'internal'.
Frequency	Specifies the rate at which the function generator outputs an entire arbitrary waveform when Waveform is set to 'Arb'. It specifies the frequency of the standard waveform when Waveform is set to standard waveform types. The units are Hertz (Hz).

Property	Description
Mode	Specifies run mode. Valid values are 'continuous', 'burst', 'AM', or 'FM'. Specifies how the function generator produces waveforms. It configures the instrument to generate output continuously or to generate a discrete number of waveform cycles based on a trigger event. It can also be set to AM and FM.
ModulationFrequency	Specifies the frequency of the standard waveform that the function generator uses to modulate the output signal. The units are Hertz (Hz). This attribute affects function generator behavior only when Mode is set to 'AM' or 'FM' and the ModulationSource attribute is set to 'internal'.
ModulationSource	Specifies the signal that the function generator uses to modulate the output signal. Valid values are 'internal' and 'external'. This attribute affects function generator behavior only when Mode is set to 'AM' or 'FM'.
ModulationWaveform	Specifies the standard waveform type that the function generator uses to modulate the output signal. This affects function generator behavior only when Mode is set to 'AM' or 'FM' and the ModulationSource is set to 'internal'. Valid values are 'sine', 'square', 'triangle', 'RampUp', 'RampDown', and 'DC'.
Offset	Uses the standard waveform DC offset as input arguments if the waveform is not of type 'Arb'. Use Arb Waveform Offset as input arguments if the waveform is of type 'Arb'.  Specifies the DC offset of the standard waveform when Waveform is set to standard waveform. For example, a standard waveform ranging from +5.0 volts to 0.0 volts has a DC offset of 2.5 volts. When Waveform is set to 'Arb', this property shifts the arbitrary waveform's range. For example, when it is set to 1.0, the output signal ranges from 2.0 volts to 0.0 volts.
OutputImpedance	Specifies the function generator's output impedance at the output connector.
Resource	Set this before connecting to the instrument. It is the VISA resource string for your instrument.
SelectedChannel	Returns the selected channel name that was set using the selectChannel function.
StartPhase	Specifies the horizontal offset in degrees of the standard waveform the function generator produces. The units are degrees of one waveform cycle. For example, a 180-degree phase offset means output generation begins halfway through the waveform.
Status	This read-only property indicates the communication status of your instrument session. It is either 'open' or 'closed'.

Property	Description
TriggerRate	Specifies the rate at which the function generator's internal trigger source produces a trigger, in triggers per second. This property affects function generator behavior only when the TriggerSource is set to 'internal'. Only applies if Mode is set to 'burst'.
TriggerSource	Specifies the trigger source. After the function generator receives a trigger, it generates an output signal if Mode is set to 'burst'. Valid values are 'internal' or 'external'.
Waveform	Uses the waveform type as an input argument. Valid values are 'Arb', for an arbitrary waveform, or these standard waveform types - 'Sine', 'Square', 'Triangle', 'RampUp', 'RampDown', and 'DC'.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

## **Examples**

Create an instance of the function generator called myFGen.

```
myFGen = fgen()
```

Discover available resources. A resource string is an identifier to the instrument. You need to set it before connecting to the instrument.

```
availableResources = resources(myFGen)
```

Set the resource. In this example, we are controlling an instrument that is connected via GPIB with a board index of 0 and primary address of 10.

```
myFGen.Resource = 'GPIB0::10::INSTR';
```

Connect to the function generator.

```
connect(myFGen);
```

Specify the channel name from which the function generator produces the waveform.

```
selectChannel(myFGen, '1');
```

Configure a standard waveform to be a continuous sine wave.

```
set(myFGen, 'Waveform', 'sine');
set(myFGen, 'Mode', 'continuous');
```

Configure the function generator.

```
% Set the load impedance to 50 Ohms.
set(myFGen, 'OutputImpedance', 50);
```

```
% Set the frequency to 2500 Hz.
set(myFGen, 'Frequency', 2500);
% Set the amplitude to 1.2 volts.
set(myFGen, 'Amplitude', 1.2);
% Set the offset to 0.4 volts.
set(myFGen, 'Offset', 0.4);
Communicate with the instrument. For example, output signals. In this example, the enableOutput
function enables the function generator to produce a signal that appears at the output connector.
% Enable the output of signals.
enableOutput(myFGen);
When you are done, disable the output.
% Disable the output of signals.
disableOutput(myFGen);
Close the session and remove it from the workspace.
disconnect(myFGen);
delete myFGen;
clear myFGen;
```

These examples used a standard waveform type. For examples using an arbitrary waveform, see "Generate Standard Waveforms Using the Quick-Control Function Generator" on page 13-28.

#### See Also

#### Topics

"Quick-Control Function Generator Requirements" on page 13-27

#### Introduced in R2012a

# fgetl

(To be removed) Read line of text from instrument and discard terminator

**Note** This serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, and gpib object function will be removed in a future release. Use serialport, bluetooth, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, and visadev object functions instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

#### **Syntax**

```
tline = fgetl(obj)
[tline,count] = fgetl(obj)
[tline,count,msg] = fgetl(obj)
[tline,count,msg,datagramaddress,datagramport] = fgetl(obj)
```

#### **Arguments**

obj An interface object.

tline The text read from the instrument, excluding the terminator.

count The number of values read, including the terminator.

msq A message indicating if the read operation was unsuccessful.

datagramaddress The datagram address. datagramport The datagram port.

# **Description**

tline = fgetl(obj) reads one line of text from the instrument connected to obj, and returns the data to tline. The returned data does not include the terminator with the text line. To include the terminator, use fgets.

[tline, count] = fgetl(obj) returns the number of values read to count.

[tline,count,msg] = fgetl(obj) returns a warning message to msg if the read operation was
unsuccessful.

[tline,count,msg,datagramaddress,datagramport] = fgetl(obj) returns the remote address and port from which the datagram originated. These values are returned only if obj is a UDP object.

# **Examples**

Create the GPIB object g, connect g to a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope, configure g to complete read operations when the End-Of-String character is read, and write the \*IDN? command with the fprintf function. \*IDN? instructs the scope to return identification information.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
fopen(g)
```

```
g.EOSMode = 'read';
fprintf(g,'*IDN?')
Asynchronously read the identification information from the instrument.
readasync(g)
g.BytesAvailable
ans =
    56
```

Use fgetl to transfer the data from the input buffer to the MATLAB workspace, and discard the terminator.

```
idn = fgetl(g)
idn =
TEKTRONIX,TDS 210,0,CF:91.1CT FV:v1.16 TDS2CM:CMV:v1.04
length(idn)
ans =
    55
```

Disconnect g from the scope, and remove g from memory and the workspace.

```
fclose(g)
delete(g)
clear g
```

## **Tips**

Before you can read text from the instrument, it must be connected to obj with the fopen function. A connected interface object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt to perform a read operation while obj is not connected to the instrument.

If msg is not included as an output argument and the read operation was not successful, then a warning message is returned to the command line.

The ValuesReceived property value is increased by the number of values read — including the terminator — each time fgetl is issued.

**Note** You cannot use ASCII values larger than 127 characters. The function is limited to 127 binary characters.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

#### Rules for Completing a Read Operation with fgetl

A read operation with fgetl blocks access to the MATLAB Command Window until

• The terminator is read. For serial port, TCPIP, UDP, and VISA-serial objects, the terminator is given by the Terminator property. Note that for UDP objects, DatagramTerminateMode must be off.

For all other interface objects except VISA-RSIB, the terminator is given by the EOSCharCode property.

- The EOI line is asserted (GPIB and VXI instruments only).
- A datagram has been received (UDP objects only if DatagramTerminateMode is on).
- The time specified by the Timeout property passes.
- The input buffer is filled.

**Note** You cannot use ASCII values larger than 127 characters. The function is limited to 127 binary characters.

#### More About the GPIB and VXI Terminator

The EOSCharCode property value is recognized only when the EOSMode property is configured to read or read&write. For example, if EOSMode is configured to read and EOSCharCode is configured to LF, then one of the ways that the read operation terminates is when the line feed character is received.

If EOSMode is none or write, then there is no terminator defined for read operations. In this case, fgetl will complete execution and return control to the command line when another criterion, such as a timeout, is met.

### **Compatibility Considerations**

#### gpib object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

Use of this function with a gpib object will be removed. To access a GPIB instrument, use the VISA-GPIB interface with a visadev object, its functions, and its properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### tcpip, visa, and serial object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with the tcpip (with NetworkRole set to server), visa, and serial interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
tcpip	tcpserver	"Transition Your Code to tcpserver Interface" on page 7- 43
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
serial		"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26

#### Bluetooth, tcpip, and udp object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2020b

Use of this function with the Bluetooth, tcpip (with NetworkRole set to client), and udp interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
Bluetooth	bluetooth (case-sensitive)	"Transition Your Code to bluetooth Interface"
tcpip	tcpclient	"Transition Your Code to tcpclient Interface" on page 7- 36
udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18

#### serial object interface is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2019b

Use of this function with a serial object is not recommended. To access a serial port, use a serialport instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fgets | fopen | instrhelp

#### **Properties**

BytesAvailable | EOSCharCode | EOSMode | InputBufferSize | Status | Terminator | Timeout | ValuesReceived

#### Introduced before R2006a

# fgets

(To be removed) Read line of text from instrument and include terminator

**Note** This serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, and gpib object function will be removed in a future release. Use serialport, bluetooth, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, and visadev object functions instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### **Syntax**

```
tline = fgets(obj)
[tline,count] = fgets(obj)
[tline,count,msg] = fgets(obj)
[tline,count,msg,datagramaddress,datagramport] = fgets(obj)
```

### **Arguments**

obj An interface object.

tline The text read from the instrument, including the terminator.

count The number of values read.

msg A message indicating that the read operation did not complete

successfully.

datagramaddress The datagram address. datagramport The datagram port.

# Description

tline = fgets(obj) reads one line of text from the instrument connected to obj, and returns the data to tline. The returned data includes the terminator with the text line. To exclude the terminator, use fgetl.

[tline,count] = fgets(obj) returns the number of values read to count.

[tline,count,msg] = fgets(obj) returns a warning message to msg if the read operation was
unsuccessful.

[tline,count,msg,datagramaddress,datagramport] = fgets(obj) returns the remote address and port from which the datagram originated. These values are returned only if obj is a UDP object.

# **Examples**

Create the GPIB object g, connect g to a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope, configure g to complete read operations when the End-Of-String character is read, and write the \*IDN? command with the fprintf function. \*IDN? instructs the scope to return identification information.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
fopen(g)
g.EOSMode = 'read';
fprintf(g,'*IDN?')
```

Asynchronously read the identification information from the instrument.

```
readasync(g)
g.BytesAvailable
ans =
    56
```

Use fgets to transfer the data from the input buffer to the MATLAB workspace, and include the terminator.

```
idn = fgets(g)
idn =
TEKTRONIX,TDS 210,0,CF:91.1CT FV:v1.16 TDS2CM:CMV:v1.04
length(idn)
ans =
    56
```

Disconnect g from the scope, and remove g from memory and the workspace.

```
fclose(g)
delete(g)
clear g
```

## **Tips**

Before you can read text from the instrument, it must be connected to obj with the fopen function. A connected interface object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt to perform a read operation while obj is not connected to the instrument.

If msg is not included as an output argument and the read operation was not successful, then a warning message is returned to the command line.

The ValuesReceived property value is increased by the number of values read — including the terminator — each time fgets is issued.

**Note** You cannot use ASCII values larger than 127 characters. The function is limited to 127 binary characters.

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For all other interface objects except VISA-RSIB, the terminator is given by the EOSCharCode property.

- The EOI line is asserted (GPIB and VXI instruments only).
- A datagram has been received (UDP objects only if DatagramTerminateMode is on).
- The time specified by the Timeout property passes.
- The input buffer is filled.

**Note** You cannot use ASCII values larger than 127 characters. The function is limited to 127 binary characters.

#### More About the GPIB and VXI Terminator

The EOSCharCode property value is recognized only when the EOSMode property is configured to read or read&write. For example, if EOSMode is configured to read and EOSCharCode is configured to LF, then one of the ways that the read operation terminates is when the line feed character is received.

If EOSMode is none or write, then there is no terminator defined for read operations. In this case, fgets will complete execution and return control to the command line when another criterion, such as a timeout, is met.

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Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31
serial	serialport	"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26

### Bluetooth, tcpip, and udp object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2020b

Use of this function with the Bluetooth, tcpip (with NetworkRole set to client), and udp interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
Bluetooth	bluetooth (case-sensitive)	"Transition Your Code to bluetooth Interface"
tcpip	tcpclient	"Transition Your Code to tcpclient Interface" on page 7- 36
udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18

#### serial object interface is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2019b

Use of this function with a serial object is not recommended. To access a serial port, use a serialport instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fgetl | fopen | instrhelp | query

#### **Properties**

BytesAvailable | EOSCharCode | EOSMode | InputBufferSize | Status | Terminator | Timeout | ValuesReceived

#### Introduced before R2006a

# flush

Clear serial port device buffers

## **Syntax**

```
flush(device)
flush(device,"input")
flush(device,"output")
```

## **Description**

flush(device) flushes all data from both the input and output buffers of the specified serial port.

```
flush(device, "input") flushes only the input buffer.
```

flush(device, "output") flushes only the output buffer.

# **Examples**

### Flush Serial Port Device Inputs and Outputs

Create a connection to a serial port device.

Write some data to the device and view the number of bytes available to be read in the input buffer.

```
write(device,1:5,"uint8")
device.NumBytesAvailable
ans =
```

Flush both the input and output buffers.

```
flush(device);
```

View the number of bytes available to be read.

device.NumBytesAvailable

```
ans =
     0
```

The input buffer has no data.

## **Input Arguments**

### device — Serial port connection

serialport object

Serial port connection, specified as a serialport object.

Example: flush(device) flushes data from the serial port connection device.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

getpinstatus | read | serialport | write

Introduced in R2019b

# flush

Clear buffers for communication with remote host over TCP/IP

### **Syntax**

```
flush(t)
flush(t,"input")
flush(t,"output")
```

### **Description**

flush(t) flushes all data from both the input and output buffers of the remote host specified by the TCP/IP client t.

```
flush(t, "input") flushes only the input buffer.
```

flush(t, "output") flushes only the output buffer.

### **Examples**

#### Flush Remote Host Inputs and Outputs

Create a TCP/IP client called t, using the IP address 172.28.154.231 and port 4012.

```
t = tcpclient("172.28.154.231",4012)

t =
    tcpclient with properties:
        Address: '172.28.154.231'
        Port: 4012
    NumBytesAvailable: 0

Show all properties, functions
```

Write some data to the remote host and view the number of bytes available to be read in the input buffer.

```
write(t,1:5,"uint8")
t.NumBytesAvailable
ans =
5
```

Flush both the input and output buffers.

```
flush(t)
```

View the number of bytes available to be read.

t.NumBytesAvailable

```
ans =
     0
```

The input buffer has no data.

## **Input Arguments**

### t — TCP/IP client

tcpclient object

TCP/IP client, specified as a tcpclient object.

Example: flush(t) flushes data from the TCP/IP client t.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

tcpclient | read | write

Introduced in R2020b

# flush

Clear buffers for communication using TCP/IP server

## **Syntax**

```
flush(t)
flush(t,"input")
flush(t,"output")
```

### **Description**

flush(t) flushes all data from both the input and output buffers of the client connected to the TCP/IP server t.

```
flush(t, "input") flushes only the input buffer.
```

flush(t, "output") flushes only the output buffer.

### **Examples**

#### Flush TCP/IP Server Inputs and Outputs

Create a TCP/IP server on port 4000.

Create a TCP/IP client to connect to your server object using tcpclient. You must specify the same port number you use to create server.

```
client = tcpclient("localhost",4000);
```

Write some data to the client and view the number of bytes available to be read in the server input buffer.

```
write(client,1:5,"uint8")
server.NumBytesAvailable
ans = 5
```

Flush both the input and output buffers of the server.

flush(server)

View the number of bytes available to be read.

server.NumBytesAvailable

ans = 0

The input buffer has no data.

## **Input Arguments**

### t — TCP/IP server

tcpserver object

TCP/IP server, specified as a tcpserver object.

Example: flush(t) flushes data from the TCP/IP server t.

### **See Also**

tcpserver|read|write

Introduced in R2021a

# flush

Clear UDP socket buffers

## **Syntax**

```
flush(u)
flush(u,"input")
flush(u,"output")
```

### **Description**

flush(u) flushes all data from both the input and output buffers of the specified UDP socket.

```
flush(u, "input") flushes only the input buffer.
```

flush(u, "output") flushes only the output buffer.

### **Examples**

#### **Clear UDP Buffer Data**

Create a udpport object, and clear its buffer.

Clear only the input buffer.

```
u = udpport;
% :
flush(u,"input")
```

Clear both the input and output buffers.

```
flush(u)
```

# **Input Arguments**

```
u — UDP socket
```

udpport object

UDP socket, specified as a udpport object.

```
Example: u = udpport
Data Types: udpport object
```

### See Also

#### **Functions**

udpport

### Introduced in R2020b

# flush

Clear buffers for communication with VISA resource

### **Syntax**

```
flush(v)
flush(v,"input")
flush(v,"output")
```

## **Description**

flush(v) flushes all data from both the input and output buffers of the VISA resource v and clears the hardware output buffer of the instrument.

flush(v, "input") flushes only the input buffer of the VISA resource.

flush(v, "output") flushes only the output buffer of the VISA resource.

### **Examples**

#### Flush VISA Resource Inputs and Outputs

Create a connection to a VISA resource. This example shows a connection to a device with the alias COM4 using the VISA-Serial interface.

```
v = visadev("COM4");
```

Write some data to the device and view the number of bytes available to be read in the input buffer.

```
write(v,1:5,"uint8")
v.NumBytesAvailable
ans =
5
```

Flush both the input and output buffers.

```
flush(v)
```

View the number of bytes available to be read.

```
v.NumBytesAvailable
```

```
ans = 0
```

The input buffer has no data.

# **Input Arguments**

### v — VISA resource

visadev object

VISA resource, specified as a visadev object.

Example: flush(v) flushes data from the VISA resource v.

### **See Also**

visadev|read|write

Introduced in R2021a

# flushinput

(To be removed) Remove data from input buffer

**Note** This serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, and gpib object function will be removed in a future release. Use serialport, bluetooth, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, and visadev object functions instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### **Syntax**

flushinput(obj)

### **Arguments**

obj

An interface object or an array of interface objects.

### Description

flushinput(obj) removes data from the input buffer associated with obj.

### **Tips**

After the input buffer is flushed, the BytesAvailable property is automatically configured to 0.

If flushinput is called during an asynchronous (nonblocking) read operation, the data currently stored in the input buffer is flushed and the read operation continues. You can read data asynchronously from the instrument using the readasync function.

The input buffer is automatically flushed when you connect an object to the instrument with the fopen function.

You can clear the output buffer with the flushoutput function. You can clear the hardware buffer for GPIB and VXI instruments with the clrdevice function.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

### gpib object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

Use of this function with a gpib object will be removed. To access a GPIB instrument, use the VISA-GPIB interface with a visadev object, its functions, and its properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### tcpip, visa, and serial object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with the tcpip (with NetworkRole set to server), visa, and serial interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
tcpip	tcpserver	"Transition Your Code to tcpserver Interface" on page 7- 43
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31
serial	serialport	"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26

### Bluetooth, tcpip, and udp object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2020b

Use of this function with the Bluetooth, tcpip (with NetworkRole set to client), and udp interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
Bluetooth	bluetooth (case-sensitive)	"Transition Your Code to bluetooth Interface"
tcpip	tcpclient	"Transition Your Code to tcpclient Interface" on page 7- 36
udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18

#### serial object interface is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2019b

Use of this function with a serial object is not recommended. To access a serial port, use a serialport instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

clrdevice | flushoutput | fopen | readasync

### **Properties**

BytesAvailable

#### Introduced before R2006a

# flushoutput

(To be removed) Remove data from output buffer

**Note** This serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, and gpib object function will be removed in a future release. Use serialport, bluetooth, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, and visadev object functions instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### **Syntax**

flushoutput(obj)

### **Arguments**

obj

An interface object or an array of interface objects.

## **Description**

flushoutput(obj) removes data from the output buffer associated with obj.

### **Tips**

After the output buffer is flushed, the BytesToOutput property is automatically configured to 0.

If flushoutput is called during an asynchronous (nonblocking) write operation, the data currently stored in the output buffer is flushed and the write operation is aborted. Additionally, the callback function specified for the OutputEmptyFcn property is executed. You can write data asynchronously to the instrument using the fprintf or fwrite functions.

The output buffer is automatically flushed when you connect an object to the instrument with the fopen function.

You can clear the input buffer with the flushinput function. You can clear the hardware buffer for GPIB and VXI instruments with the clrdevice function.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

#### gpib object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

Use of this function with a gpib object will be removed. To access a GPIB instrument, use the VISA-GPIB interface with a visadev object, its functions, and its properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

### tcpip, visa, and serial object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with the tcpip (with NetworkRole set to server), visa, and serial interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
tcpip	tcpserver	"Transition Your Code to tcpserver Interface" on page 7- 43
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31
serial	serialport	"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26

### Bluetooth, tcpip, and udp object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2020b

Use of this function with the Bluetooth, tcpip (with NetworkRole set to client), and udp interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
Bluetooth	bluetooth (case-sensitive)	"Transition Your Code to bluetooth Interface"
tcpip	tcpclient	"Transition Your Code to tcpclient Interface" on page 7- 36
udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18

#### serial object interface is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2019b

Use of this function with a serial object is not recommended. To access a serial port, use a serialport instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

clrdevice | flushinput | fopen | fprintf | fwrite

### **Properties**

BytesToOutput | OutputEmptyFcn

### **Introduced before R2006a**

# fopen

Connect interface object to instrument

### **Syntax**

```
fopen(obj)
```

### **Arguments**

obi

An interface object or an array of interface objects.

### **Description**

fopen(obj) connects obj to the instrument.

### **Examples**

This example creates the GPIB object g, connects g to the instrument using fopen, writes and reads text data, and then disconnects g from the instrument.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
fopen(g)
fprintf(g,'*IDN?')
idn = fscanf(g);
fclose(g)
```

## Tips

Before you can perform a read or write operation, obj must be connected to the instrument with the fopen function. When obj is connected to the instrument

- Data remaining in the input buffer or the output buffer is flushed.
- The Status property is set to open.
- The BytesAvailable, ValuesReceived, ValuesSent, and BytesToOutput properties are set to 0.

An error is returned if you attempt to perform a read or write operation while obj is not connected to the instrument. You can connect only one interface object to a given instrument. For example, on a Windows machine you can connect only one serial port object to an instrument associated with the COM1 port. Similarly, you can connect only one GPIB object to an instrument with a given board index, primary address, and secondary address.

Some properties are read-only while the interface object is connected, and must be configured before using fopen. Examples include InputBufferSize and OutputBufferSize. Refer to the property reference pages or use the propinfo function to determine which properties have this constraint.

The values for some properties are verified only after obj is connected to the instrument. If any of these properties are incorrectly configured, an error is returned when fopen is issued and obj is not

connected to the instrument. Properties of this type include BaudRate and SecondaryAddress, and are associated with instrument settings.

### **Compatibility Considerations**

### gpib object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

Use of this function with a gpib object will be removed. To access a GPIB instrument, use the VISA-GPIB interface with a visadev object, its functions, and its properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

### tcpip, visa, and serial object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with the tcpip (with NetworkRole set to server), visa, and serial interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
tcpip	tcpserver	"Transition Your Code to tcpserver Interface" on page 7- 43
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31
serial	serialport	"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26

### Bluetooth, tcpip, and udp object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2020b

Use of this function with the Bluetooth, tcpip (with NetworkRole set to client), and udp interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
Bluetooth	bluetooth (case-sensitive)	"Transition Your Code to bluetooth Interface"
tcpip	tcpclient	"Transition Your Code to tcpclient Interface" on page 7- 36
udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18

### serial object interface is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2019b

Use of this function with a serial object is not recommended. To access a serial port, use a serialport instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

### **See Also**

### **Functions**

fclose|instrhelp|propinfo

### **Properties**

BytesAvailable | BytesToOutput | Status | ValuesReceived | ValuesSent

### **Introduced before R2006a**

# **fprintf**

(To be removed) Write text to instrument

**Note** This serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, and gpib object function will be removed in a future release. Use serialport, bluetooth, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, and visadev object functions instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### **Syntax**

```
fprintf(obj,'cmd')
fprintf(obj,'format','cmd')
fprintf(obj,'cmd','mode')
fprintf(obj,'format','cmd','mode')
```

### **Arguments**

obj An interface object.

'cmd' The string written to the instrument.
'format' C language conversion specification.

'mode' Specifies whether data is written synchronously or asynchronously.

# **Description**

fprintf(obj,'cmd') writes the string cmd to the instrument connected to obj. The default format
is %s\n. The write operation is synchronous and blocks the command line until execution is complete.

fprintf(obj,'format','cmd') writes the string using the format specified by format.

format is a C language conversion specification. Conversion specifications involve the % character and the conversion characters d, i, o, u, x, X, f, e, E, g, G, c, and s. Refer to the sprintf file I/O format specifications or a C manual for more information.

fprintf(obj,'cmd','mode') writes the string with command-line access specified by mode. If mode is sync, cmd is written synchronously and the command line is blocked. If mode is async, cmd is written asynchronously and the command line is not blocked. If mode is not specified, the write operation is synchronous.

fprintf(obj,'format','cmd','mode') writes the string using the specified format. If mode is sync, cmd is written synchronously. If mode is async, cmd is written asynchronously.

# **Examples**

Create the serial port object s, connect s on a Windows machine to a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope, and write the RS232? command with the fprintf function. RS232? instructs the scope to return serial port communications settings.

```
s = serial('COM1');
fopen(s)
fprintf(s,'RS232?')
settings = fscanf(s)
settings =
9600;1;0;NONE;LF
```

Because the default format for fprintf is %s\n, the terminator specified by the Terminator property was automatically written. However, in some cases you might want to suppress writing the terminator. To do so, you must explicitly specify a format for the data that does not include the terminator, or configure the terminator to empty.

```
fprintf(s,'%s','RS232?')
```

### **Tips**

Before you can write text to the instrument, it must be connected to obj with the fopen function. A connected interface object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt to perform a write operation while obj is not connected to the instrument.

The ValuesSent property value is increased by the number of values written each time fprintf is issued.

An error occurs if the output buffer cannot hold all the data to be written. You can specify the size of the output buffer with the OutputBufferSize property.

fprintf function will return an error message if you set the flowcontrol property to hardware on a serial object, and a hardware connection is not detected. This occurs if a device is not connected, or a connected device is not asserting that is ready to receive data. Check you remote device's status and flow control settings to see if hardware flow control is causing errors in MATLAB.

**Note** If you want to check to see if the device is asserting that it is ready to receive data, set the FlowControl to none. Once you connect to the device check the PinStatus structure for ClearToSend. If ClearToSend is off, there is a problem on the remote device side. If ClearToSend is on, there is a hardware FlowControl device prepared to receive data and you can execute fprintf.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

### **Synchronous Versus Asynchronous Write Operations**

By default, text is written to the instrument synchronously and the command line is blocked until the operation completes. You can perform an asynchronous write by configuring the *mode* input argument to be async. For asynchronous writes,

- The BytesToOutput property value is continuously updated to reflect the number of bytes in the output buffer.
- The callback function specified for the <code>OutputEmptyFcn</code> property is executed when the output buffer is empty.

You can determine whether an asynchronous write operation is in progress with the TransferStatus property.

#### Rules for Completing a Write Operation with fprintf

A write operation using fprintf completes when

- The specified data is written.
- The time specified by the Timeout property passes.

### **Rules for Writing the Terminator**

For serial port, TCPIP, UDP, and VISA-serial objects, all occurrences of \n in cmd are replaced with the Terminator property value. Therefore, when using the default format %s\n, all commands written to the instrument will end with this property value.

For GPIB, VISA-GPIB, VISA-VXI, and VISA-GPIB-VXI objects, all occurrences of \n in cmd are replaced with the EOSCharCode property value if the EOSMode property is set to write or read&write. For example, if EOSMode is set to write and EOSCharCode is set to LF, then all occurrences of \n are replaced with a line feed character. Additionally, for GPIB objects, the End Or Identify (EOI) line is asserted when the terminator is written out.

**Note** The terminator required by your instrument will be described in its documentation.

## **Compatibility Considerations**

#### gpib object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

Use of this function with a gpib object will be removed. To access a GPIB instrument, use the VISA-GPIB interface with a visadev object, its functions, and its properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### tcpip, visa, and serial object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with the tcpip (with NetworkRole set to server), visa, and serial interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
tcpip		"Transition Your Code to tcpserver Interface" on page 7- 43
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
serial		"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26

### Bluetooth, tcpip, and udp object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2020b

Use of this function with the Bluetooth, tcpip (with NetworkRole set to client), and udp interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
Bluetooth	bluetooth (case-sensitive)	"Transition Your Code to bluetooth Interface"
tcpip	tcpclient	"Transition Your Code to tcpclient Interface" on page 7- 36
udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18

#### serial object interface is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2019b

Use of this function with a serial object is not recommended. To access a serial port, use a serialport instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fopen | fwrite | instrhelp | query | sprintf

#### **Properties**

BytesToOutput | EOSCharCode | EOSMode | OutputBufferSize | OutputEmptyFcn | Status | TransferStatus | ValuesSent

#### Introduced before R2006a

# fread

Read binary data from instrument

### **Syntax**

```
A = fread(obj)
A = fread(obj,size)
A = fread(obj,size,'precision')
[A,count] = fread(...)
[A,count,msg] = fread(...)
[A,count,msg,datagramaddress] = fread(obj,...)
[A,count,msg,datagramaddress,datagramport] = fread(obj,...)
```

### **Arguments**

obj An interface object.

size The number of values to read.

'precision' The number of bits read for each value, and the interpretation of the bits as

character, integer, or floating-point values.

A Binary data returned from the instrument.

count The number of values read.

msg A message indicating if the read operation was unsuccessful.

datagramaddress The address of the datagram sender.

datagramport The port of the datagram sender.

# **Description**

A = fread(obj) and A = fread(obj, size) read binary data from the instrument connected to obj, and returns the data to A. The maximum number of values to read is specified by size. If size is not specified, the maximum number of values to read is determined by the object's InputBufferSize property. Valid options for size are:

n Read at most n values into a column vector.

[m,n] Read at most m-by-n values filling an m-by-n matrix in column order.

size cannot be inf, and an error is returned if the specified number of values cannot be stored in the input buffer. You specify the size, in bytes, of the input buffer with the InputBufferSize property. A value is defined as a byte multiplied by the *precision* (see below).

If obj is a UDP object and DatagramTerminateMode is off, the size value is honored. If size is less than the length of the datagram, only size values are read. If size is greater than the length of the datagram, a warning is issued stating that a complete datagram was read before size values was reached.

A = fread(obj, size, 'precision') reads binary data with precision specified by precision.

*precision* controls the number of bits read for each value and the interpretation of those bits as integer, floating-point, or character values. If *precision* is not specified, uchar (an 8-bit unsigned character) is used. By default, numeric values are returned in double-precision arrays. The supported values for *precision* are listed below in Tips on page 23-180.

[A,count] = fread(...) returns the number of values read to count.

[A, count, msg] = fread(...) returns a warning message to msg if the read operation was unsuccessful.

[A,count,msg,datagramaddress] = fread(obj,...) returns the datagram address to datagramaddress if obj is a UDP object. If more than one datagram is read, datagramaddress is  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

[A,count,msg,datagramaddress,datagramport] = fread(obj,...) returns the datagram port to datagramport if obj is a UDP object. If more than one datagram is read, datagramport is [].

### Tips

Before you can read data from the instrument, it must be connected to obj with the fopen function. A connected interface object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt to perform a read operation while obj is not connected to the instrument.

If msg is not included as an output argument and the read operation was not successful, then a warning message is returned to the command line.

The ValuesReceived property value is increased by the number of values read, each time fread is issued.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

#### Rules for Completing a Binary Read Operation

A read operation with fread blocks access to the MATLAB Command Window until

- The specified number of values is read. For UDP objects, DatagramTerminateMode must be off.
- The time specified by the Timeout property passes.
- A datagram is received (for UDP objects only when DatagramTerminateMode is on).
- The input buffer is filled.
- The EOI line is asserted (GPIB and VXI instruments only).
- The EOSCharCode is received (GPIB and VXI instruments only).

#### More About the GPIB and VXI Terminator

The EOSCharCode property value is recognized only when the EOSMode property is configured to read or read&write. For example, if EOSMode is configured to read and EOSCharCode is

configured to LF, then one of the ways that the read operation terminates is when the line feed character is received.

If EOSMode is none or write, then there is no terminator defined for read operations. In this case, fread will complete execution and return control to the command when another criterion, such as a timeout, is met.

### **Supported Precisions**

The supported values for *precision* are listed below.

Data Type	Precision	Interpretation
Character	uchar	8-bit unsigned character
	schar	8-bit signed character
	char	8-bit signed or unsigned character
Integer	int8	8-bit integer
	int16	16-bit integer
	int32	32-bit integer
	uint8	8-bit unsigned integer
	uint16	16-bit unsigned integer
	uint32	32-bit unsigned integer
	short	16-bit integer
	int	32-bit integer
	long	32- or 64-bit integer
	ushort	16-bit unsigned integer
	uint	32-bit unsigned integer
	ulong	32- or 64-bit unsigned integer
Floating-point	single	32-bit floating point
	float32	32-bit floating point
	float	32-bit floating point
	double	64-bit floating point
	float64	64-bit floating point

# **Compatibility Considerations**

### gpib object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

Use of this function with a gpib object will be removed. To access a GPIB instrument, use the VISA-GPIB interface with a visadev object, its functions, and its properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

### tcpip, visa, and serial object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with the tcpip (with NetworkRole set to server), visa, and serial interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
tcpip	tcpserver	"Transition Your Code to tcpserver Interface" on page 7- 43
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31
serial	serialport	"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26

### Bluetooth, tcpip, and udp object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2020b

Use of this function with the Bluetooth, tcpip (with NetworkRole set to client), and udp interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
Bluetooth	bluetooth (case-sensitive)	"Transition Your Code to bluetooth Interface"
tcpip	tcpclient	"Transition Your Code to tcpclient Interface" on page 7- 36
udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18

#### serial object interface is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2019b

Use of this function with a serial object is not recommended. To access a serial port, use a serialport instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

fgetl | fgets | fopen | fscanf | instrhelp

#### **Properties**

BytesAvailable | InputBufferSize | Status | ValuesReceived

### **Introduced before R2006a**

# fscanf

(To be removed) Read data from instrument, and format as text

**Note** This serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, and gpib object function will be removed in a future release. Use serialport, bluetooth, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, and visadev object functions instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### **Syntax**

```
A = fscanf(obj)
A = fscanf(obj,'format')
A = fscanf(obj,'format', size)
[A,count] = fscanf(...)
[A,count,msg] = fscanf(...)
[A,count,msg,datagramaddress] = fscanf(obj,...)
[A,count,msg,datagramaddress,datagramport] = fscanf(obj,...)
```

### **Arguments**

obj An interface object.
'format' C language conversion specification.

size The number of values to read.

A Data read from the instrument and formatted as text.

count The number of values read.

msq A message indicating if the read operation was unsuccessful.

datagramaddress The address of the datagram sender.

datagramport The port of the datagram sender.

# **Description**

A = fscanf(obj) reads data from the instrument connected to obj, and returns it to A. The data is converted to text using the %c format.

A = fscanf(obj, 'format') reads data and converts it according to format.

format is a C language conversion specification. Conversion specifications involve the % character and the conversion characters d, i, o, u, x, X, f, e, E, g, G, c, and s. Refer to the sscanf file I/O format specifications or a C manual for more information.

A = fscanf(obj,'format', size) reads the number of values specified by size. Valid options for size are

n Read at most n values into a column vector.

[m,n] Read at most m-by-n values filling an m-by-n matrix in column order.

size cannot be inf, and an error is returned if the specified number of values cannot be stored in the input buffer. If size is not of the form [m,n], and a character conversion is specified, then A is returned as a row vector. You specify the size, in bytes, of the input buffer with the InputBufferSize property. An ASCII value is one byte.

If obj is a UDP object and DatagramTerminateMode is off, the size value is honored. If size is less than the length of the datagram, only size values are read. If size is greater than the length of the datagram, a warning is issued stating that a complete datagram was read before size values was reached.

[A,count] = fscanf(...) returns the number of values read to count.

[A,count,msg] = fscanf(...) returns a warning message to msg if the read operation did not complete successfully.

[A,count,msg,datagramaddress] = fscanf(obj,...) returns the datagram address to datagramaddress if obj is a UDP object. If more than one datagram is read, datagramaddress is

[A,count,msg,datagramaddress,datagramport] = fscanf(obj,...) returns the datagram port to datagramport if obj is a UDP object. If more than one datagram is read, datagramport is [].

### **Examples**

Create the serial port object s on a Windows machine and connect s to a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope, which is displaying a sine wave.

```
s = serial('COM1');
fopen(s)
```

Use the fprintf function to configure the scope to measure the peak-to-peak voltage of the sine wave, return the measurement type, and return the peak-to-peak voltage.

```
fprintf(s,'MEASUREMENT:IMMED:TYPE PK2PK')
fprintf(s,'MEASUREMENT:IMMED:TYPE?')
fprintf(s,'MEASUREMENT:IMMED:VAL?')
```

Because the default value for the ReadAsyncMode property is continuous, data associated with the two query commands is automatically returned to the input buffer.

```
s.BytesAvailable
ans =
    13
```

Use fscanf to read the measurement type. The operation will complete when the first terminator is read.

```
meas = fscanf(s)
meas =
PK2PK
```

Use fscanf to read the peak-to-peak voltage as a floating-point number, and exclude the terminator.

```
pk2pk = fscanf(s,'%e',6)
pk2pk =
    2.0200
```

Disconnect s from the scope, and remove s from memory and the workspace.

```
fclose(s)
delete(s)
clear s
```

### **Tips**

Before you can read data from the instrument, it must be connected to obj with the fopen function. A connected interface object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt to perform a read operation while obj is not connected to the instrument.

If msg is not included as an output argument and the read operation was not successful, then a warning message is returned to the command line.

The ValuesReceived property value is increased by the number of values read — including the terminator — each time fscanf is issued.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

#### Rules for Completing a Read Operation with fscanf

A read operation with fscanf blocks access to the MATLAB command line until

• The terminator is read. For serial port, TCPIP, UDP, and VISA-serial objects, the terminator is given by the Terminator property. If Terminator is empty, fscanf will complete execution and return control when another criterion is met. For UDP objects, DatagramTerminateMode must be off.

For all other interface objects, the terminator is given by the EOSCharCode property.

- The time specified by the Timeout property passes.
- The number of values specified by size is read. For UDP objects, DatagramTerminateMode must be off.
- A datagram is received (for UDP objects only when DatagramTerminateMode is on).
- The input buffer is filled.
- The EOI line is asserted (GPIB and VXI instruments only).

#### More About the GPIB and VXI Terminator

The EOSCharCode property value is recognized only when the EOSMode property is configured to read or read&write. For example, if EOSMode is configured to read and EOSCharCode is configured to LF, then one of the ways that the read operation terminates is when the line feed character is received.

If EOSMode is none or write, then there is no terminator defined for read operations. In this case, fscanf will complete execution and return control to the command when another criterion, such as a timeout, is met.

## **Compatibility Considerations**

### gpib object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

Use of this function with a gpib object will be removed. To access a GPIB instrument, use the VISA-GPIB interface with a visadev object, its functions, and its properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

### tcpip, visa, and serial object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with the tcpip (with NetworkRole set to server), visa, and serial interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
tcpip	tcpserver	"Transition Your Code to tcpserver Interface" on page 7- 43
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31
serial	serialport	"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26

## Bluetooth, tcpip, and udp object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2020b

Use of this function with the Bluetooth, tcpip (with NetworkRole set to client), and udp interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
Bluetooth	bluetooth (case-sensitive)	"Transition Your Code to bluetooth Interface"
tcpip	tcpclient	"Transition Your Code to tcpclient Interface" on page 7- 36
udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18

### serial object interface is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2019b

Use of this function with a serial object is not recommended. To access a serial port, use a serialport instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

## See Also

### **Functions**

fgetl | fgets | fopen | fread | instrhelp | scanstr | sscanf

### **Properties**

BytesAvailable | BytesAvailableFcn | EOSCharCode | EOSMode | InputBufferSize | Status | Terminator | Timeout | TransferStatus

# **fwrite**

Write binary data to instrument

## **Syntax**

```
fwrite(obj,A)
fwrite(obj,A,'precision')
fwrite(obj,A,'mode')
fwrite(obj,A,'precision','mode')
```

## **Arguments**

obj An interface object.

A The binary data written to the instrument.

'precision' The number of bits written for each value, and the interpretation of the bits as

character, integer, or floating-point values.

'mode' Specifies whether data is written synchronously or asynchronously.

## **Description**

fwrite(obj,A) writes the binary data A to the instrument connected to obj.

fwrite(obj,A,'precision') writes binary data with precision specified by precision.

*precision* controls the number of bits written for each value and the interpretation of those bits as integer, floating-point, or character values. If *precision* is not specified, uchar (an 8-bit unsigned character) is used. The support values for *precision* are listed in "Supported Precisions" on page 23-181.

fwrite(obj,A,'mode') writes binary data with command line access specified by mode. If mode is sync, A is written synchronously and the command line is blocked. If mode is async, A is written asynchronously and the command line is not blocked. If mode is not specified, the write operation is synchronous.

fwrite(obj,A,'precision','mode') writes binary data with precision specified by precision and command-line access specified by mode.

## **Tips**

Before you can write data to the instrument, it must be connected to obj with the fopen function. A connected interface object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt to perform a write operation while obj is not connected to the instrument.

The ValuesSent property value is increased by the number of values written each time fwrite is issued.

An error occurs if the output buffer cannot hold all the data to be written. You can specify the size of the output buffer with the <code>OutputBufferSize</code> property.

fwrite will return an error message if you set the FlowControl property to hardware on a serial object, and a hardware connection is not detected. This occurs if a device is not connected, or a connected device is not asserting that is ready to receive data. Check you remote device's status and flow control settings to see if hardware flow control is causing errors in MATLAB.

**Note** If you want to check to see if the device is asserting that it is ready to receive data, set the FlowControl to none. Once you connect to the device check the PinStatus structure for ClearToSend. If ClearToSend is off, there is a problem on the remote device side. If ClearToSend is on, there is a hardware FlowControl device prepared to receive data and you can execute fwrite.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

### **Synchronous Versus Asynchronous Write Operations**

By default, data is written to the instrument synchronously and the command line is blocked until the operation completes. You can perform an asynchronous write by configuring the *mode* input argument to be async. For asynchronous writes,

- The BytesToOutput property value is continuously updated to reflect the number of bytes in the output buffer.
- The callback function specified for the OutputEmptyFcn property is executed when the output buffer is empty.

You can determine whether an asynchronous write operation is in progress with the TransferStatus property.

#### Rules for Completing a Write Operation with fwrite

A binary write operation using fwrite completes when

- The specified data is written.
- The time specified by the Timeout property passes.

**Note** The Terminator and EOSCharCode properties are not used with binary write operations.

#### **Supported Precisions**

The supported values for *precision* are listed below.

Data Type	Precision	Interpretation
Character	uchar	8-bit unsigned character
	schar	8-bit signed character
	char	8-bit signed or unsigned character

Data Type	Precision	Interpretation
Integer	int8	8-bit integer
	int16	16-bit integer
	int32	32-bit integer
	uint8	8-bit unsigned integer
	uint16	16-bit unsigned integer
	uint32	32-bit unsigned integer
	short	16-bit integer
	int	32-bit integer
	long	32- or 64-bit integer
	ushort	16-bit unsigned integer
	uint	32-bit unsigned integer
	ulong	32- or 64-bit unsigned integer
Floating-point	single	32-bit floating point
	float32	32-bit floating point
	float	32-bit floating point
	double	64-bit floating point
	float64	64-bit floating point

# **Compatibility Considerations**

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visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
serial		"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26

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udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18

### serial object interface is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2019b

Use of this function with a serial object is not recommended. To access a serial port, use a serialport instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fopen | fprintf | instrhelp

#### **Properties**

OutputBufferSize | OutputEmptyFcn | Status | Timeout | TransferStatus | ValuesSent

# get

Instrument object properties

## **Syntax**

```
get(obj)
out = get(obj)
out = get(obj,'PropertyName')
```

## **Arguments**

obj An instrument object or an array of instrument objects.
'PropertyName' A property name or a cell array of property names.

out A single property value, a structure of property values, or a cell array of

property values.

## **Description**

get(obj) returns all property names and their current values to the command line for obj. The properties are divided into two sections. The base properties are listed first and the object-specific properties are listed second.

out = get(obj) returns the structure out where each field name is the name of a property of obj,
and each field contains the value of that property.

out = get(obj,'PropertyName') returns the value out of the property specified by PropertyName for obj. If PropertyName is replaced by a 1-by-n or n-by-1 cell array of character vectors containing property names, then get returns a 1-by-n cell array of values to out. If obj is an array of instrument objects, then out will be an m-by-n cell array of property values where m is equal to the length of obj and n is equal to the number of properties specified.

# **Examples**

This example illustrates some of the ways you can use **get** to return property values for the GPIB object **q**.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
out1 = get(g);
out2 = get(g,{'PrimaryAddress','EOSCharCode'});
get(g,'EOIMode')
ans =
on
```

# Tips

When specifying a property name, you can do so without regard to case, and you can make use of property name completion. For example, if g is a GPIB object, then these commands are all valid.

```
out = get(g,'EOSMode');
out = get(g,'eosmode');
out = get(g,'EOSM');
```

## **See Also**

instrhelp|propinfo|set

# geterror

Check and return error message from instrument

# **Syntax**

```
msg = geterror(obj)
```

## **Arguments**

obj A device object.

msg The error message returned from the instrument.

# **Description**

msg = geterror(obj) checks the instrument associated with the device object specified by obj for an error message. If an error message exists, it is returned to msg. The interpretation of msg will vary based on the instrument.

# getpinstatus

Get serial pin status

## **Syntax**

```
status = getpinstatus(device)
```

# **Description**

status = getpinstatus(device) gets the serial pin status and returns it as a structure to
status.

## **Examples**

### **Get Serial Pin Status**

Get the serial pin status for the specified port.

```
device = serialport("COM3",9600);
:
status = getpinstatus(device)

status =
    struct with fields:
        ClearToSend: 1
        DataSetReady: 1
        CarrierDetect: 1
        RingIndicator: 0
```

### **Get Serial Pin Status Using VISA**

Get the serial pin status for the specified port using the VISA-Serial interface.

```
device = visadev("COM3");
:
status = getpinstatus(device)

status =
    struct with fields:
        ClearToSend: 1
        DataSetReady: 1
```

CarrierDetect: 1
RingIndicator: 0

## **Input Arguments**

### device — Serial port connection

serialport object | visadev object

Serial port, specified as a serialport object or visadev object.

Example: getpinstatus(device) returns the serial pin status for the serial port connection device.

Example: getpinstatus(device) returns the serial pin status for the VISA-Serial resource device.

## **Output Arguments**

### status — Pin status

structure

Pin status, returned as a structure with the logical type fields named ClearToSend, DataSetReady, CarrierDetect, and RingIndicator.

## See Also

### **Functions**

serialport | visadev | flush | flush

Introduced in R2019b

# getWaveform

Returns waveform displayed on scope

## **Syntax**

```
w = getWaveform(myScope);
w = getWaveform(myScope, 'acquisition', true);
w = getWaveform(myScope, 'acquisition', false);
```

## Description

w = getWaveform(myScope); returns waveform(s) displayed on the scope screen. Retrieves the waveform(s) from enabled channel(s). By default it downloads the captured waveform from the scope without acquisition.

w = getWaveform(myScope, 'acquisition', true); initiates an acquisition and returns waveform(s) from the oscilloscope.

w = getWaveform(myScope, 'acquisition', false); gets waveform from the enabled channel without acquisition

This function can only be used with the oscilloscope object. You can use the getWaveform function to download the current waveform from the scope or to initiate the waveform and capture it. See the examples below for the three possible use cases.

**Note** You should now use the readWaveform function. In R2017a the name changed from getWaveform to readWaveform. The getWaveform function will continue to be supported.

# **Examples**

Use this example if you have captured the waveform(s) using the oscilloscope's front panel and want to download it to the Instrument Control Toolbox for further analysis.

```
o = oscilloscope()
set (o, 'Resource', 'instrumentResourceString');
connect(o);
w = getWaveform(o);
```

Replace 'instrumentResourceString' with the resource string for your instrument.

Use this example to get the waveform from a circuit output (without configuring the trigger) and download it to the Instrument Control Toolbox to check it.

```
o = oscilloscope()
set (o, 'Resource', 'instrumentResourceString');
connect(o);
enableChannel(o,'Channel1');
w = getWaveform(o);
```

Replace 'instrumentResourceString' with the resource string for your instrument.

Use this example to capture synchronized input/output signals of a filter circuit when a certain trigger condition is met, stop the acquisition, and download the waveforms to the Instrument Control Toolbox.

```
o = oscilloscope()
set (o, 'Resource', 'instrumentResourceString');
connect(o);
set (o, 'TriggerMode','normal');
enableChannel(o, {'Channell','Channel2'});
[w1, w2] = getWaveform(o, 'acquisition', true);
```

Replace 'instrumentResourceString' with the resource string for your instrument.

## See Also

### **Topics**

"The Quick-Control Interfaces" on page 13-17

### **Introduced in R2011b**

# gpib

(To be removed) Create GPIB object

**Note** gpib will be removed in a future release. Use visadev instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

## **Syntax**

```
obj = gpib('vendor', boardindex, primaryaddress)
obj = gpib('vendor', boardindex, primaryaddress, 'PropertyName', PropertyValue)
```

## **Arguments**

'vendor' The vendor name.
boardindex The GPIB board index.

primaryaddress The instrument primary address.

'*PropertyName*' A GPIB property name.

'PropertyValue' A property value supported by *PropertyName*.

obj The GPIB object.

# **Description**

obj = gpib('vendor', boardindex, primaryaddress) creates the GPIB object obj associated with the board specified by boardindex, and the instrument specified by primaryaddress. The GPIB hardware is supplied by vendor. Supported vendors are given below.

Vendor	Description
keysight	Keysight (formerly Agilent Technologies) hardware
ics	ICS Electronics hardware
mcc	Measurement Computing hardware
ni	National Instruments hardware
adlink	ADLINK Technology hardware

obj = gpib('vendor', boardindex, primaryaddress, 'PropertyName', PropertyValue) creates the GPIB object with the specified property names and property values. If an invalid property name or property value is specified, an error is returned and obj is not created.

# **Examples**

This example creates the GPIB object g1 associated with a National Instruments board at index 0 with primary address 1, and then connects g1 to the instrument.

```
g1 = gpib('ni',0,1);
fopen(g1)
```

The Type, Name, BoardIndex, and PrimaryAddress properties are automatically configured.

```
g1.Type
ans =
    gpib

g1.Name
ans =
    GPIB0-1

g1.BoardIndex
ans =
    0

g1.PrimaryAddress
ans =
    1

To specify the secondary address during object creation,
g2 = gpib('ni',0,1,'SecondaryAddress',96);
```

## Tips

At any time, you can use the instrhelp function to view a complete listing of properties and functions associated with GPIB objects.

instrhelp gpib

When you create a GPIB object, these property value are automatically configured:

- Type is given by gpib.
- Name is given by concatenating GPIB with the board index and the primary address specified in the gpib function. If the secondary address is specified, then this value is also used in Name.
- BoardIndex and PrimaryAddress are given by the values supplied to the gpib function.

**Note** You do not use the GPIB board primary address in the GPIB object constructor syntax. You use the board index, and the instrument address.

You can specify the property names and property values using any format supported by the set function. For example, you can use property name/property value cell array pairs. Additionally, you can specify property names without regard to case, and you can make use of property name completion. For example, these commands are all valid:

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1,'SecondaryAddress',96);
g = gpib('ni',0,1,'secondaryaddress',96);
g = gpib('ni',0,1,'SECOND',96);
```

Before you can communicate with the instrument, it must be connected to obj with the fopen function. A connected GPIB object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt to perform a read or write operation while obj is not connected to the instrument.

You cannot connect multiple GPIB objects to the same instrument. A GPIB instrument is uniquely identified by its board index, primary address, and secondary address.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

## **Compatibility Considerations**

#### Warns

Warns starting in R2022a

gpib will be removed in a future release. Use visadev instead.

This example shows how to connect to a GPIB instrument using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>g = gpib('ni',0,1,'SecondaryAddress',0); fopen(g)</pre>	<pre>v = visadev('GPIB0::1::0::INSTR');</pre>

The recommended interface has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

### See Also

visadev | fopen | instrhelp | instrhwinfo | BoardIndex | Name | PrimaryAddress |
SecondaryAddress | Status | Type

# i2c

Create I2C object

# **Description**

I2C, or Inter-Integrated Circuit, is a chip-to-chip protocol supporting two-wire communication. An i2c object represents a connection between MATLAB and an I2C adapter board. Supported adapters are the Total Phase Aardvark I2C/SPI Host Adapter and the National Instruments USB-845x adapter board. The adapter has one or more sensor chips connected to it. MATLAB sends commands to the adapter board, which is the I2C controller device, in order to communicate with the chip, which is the I2C peripheral device. The i2c object in MATLAB always has the role of I2C controller and cannot be used in the peripheral role. Use fread and fwrite on the i2c object to communicate with the chip.

## Creation

## **Syntax**

i2cobj = i2c(vendor,boardIndex,remoteAddress)

### **Description**

i2cobj = i2c(vendor, boardIndex, remoteAddress) creates an i2c object associated with vendor, boardIndex, and remoteAddress.

- vendor must be either 'Aardvark', for use with the Total Phase Aardvark adapter, or 'NI845x', for use with the NI USB-845x adapter board. This input sets the "Vendor" on page 23-0 property.
- boardIndex specifies the board index of the adapter board and is 0 if you have only one adapter plugged into your computer. This input sets the "BoardIndex" on page 23-0 property.
- remoteAddress specifies the hex number address of the I2C peripheral device with which to communicate and is found in documentation or data sheet of the chip. This input sets the "RemoteAddress" on page 23-0 property.

You can communicate with multiple I2C peripheral devices on the same adapter using a single i2c object. To communicate with a different I2C peripheral device, first create the object and use fopen to open a connection to the adapter. Then, change the RemoteAddress property to the address of the appropriate peripheral device. You can now use fwrite and fread to communicate with the specified peripheral device. For an example of this workflow, see "Communicate with Multiple Peripheral Devices from NI USB-845x Adapter" on page 23-207.

# **Properties**

### BoardIndex — Board index

integer

Board index of the adapter board, specified as an integer. If you have only one adapter plugged into your computer, the board index number is  $\theta$ . If you have multiple adapters plugged in, each board is

assigned a different board index number. Determine the board index using instrhwinfo('i2c','Aardvark') or instrhwinfo('i2c','NI845x'). This property can be set only at object creation.

Example: i2cobj = i2c('Aardvark', 1, '50h') connects to the Aardvark adapter with an index value of 1.

Data Types: double | int8 | int16 | int32 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32

#### **BoardSerial** — **Unique identifier**

character vector

This property is read-only.

Unique identifier of the I2C controller communication device, specified as a character vector.

Example: i2cobj.BoardSerial returns the unique identifier of the Total Phase Aardvark adapter or NI USB-845x adapter.

Data Types: char

#### BitRate — Bit rate

100 (default) | positive integer

Bit rate of the adapter hardware, specified as a positive integer in kHz. Use a bit rate that is supported by the adapter and chips. The default is 100 kHz for both the Aardvark and USB-845x adapters.

Example: i2cobj.BitRate = 50 sets the bit rate to 50 kHz.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | logical

### RemoteAddress — I2C peripheral device address

numeric scalar | hex number | character vector | string scalar

I2C peripheral device address, specified as a number between 0 and 127 (inclusive), hex number, character vector, or string scalar. To identify the address of the chip, consult its documentation or data sheet. You can also find the address by scanning for instruments in the Test & Measurement Tool. In the tool, right-click the **I2C** node and select **Scan for I2C adaptors**. Any chips found by the scan is listed in the hardware tree. The listing includes the remote address of the chip.

You must specify this property during object creation and you can change it after object creation by using dot notation. Specify the peripheral address as a hexadecimal value in one of the following ways.

- Append h to the end of the hex number as a character vector or string scalar.
- Use the prefix 0x at the beginning of the hex number.
- Use hex2dec with the hex number as the input argument.

To communicate with multiple I2C peripheral devices from one i2c object, set RemoteAddress to the appropriate peripheral device address. For an example of this workflow, see "Communicate with Multiple Peripheral Devices from NI USB-845x Adapter" on page 23-207.

**Note** When reading this property using dot notation, it is returned as a numeric scalar representing the hex number. To convert back to the hex number, use dec2hex. For example,

dec2hex(i2c0bj.RemoteAddress) returns the I2C peripheral address as a hex number for the
i2c object i2c0bj.

```
Example: i2cobj = i2c('Aardvark',0,'50h') and i2cobj.RemoteAddress = '50h' specify an address of 50 hex.
```

Example: i2cobj = i2c('Aardvark', 0, 0x50) and i2cobj. RemoteAddress = 0x50 specify an address of 50 hex.

Example: i2cobj = i2c('Aardvark',0,hex2dec('50')) and i2cobj.RemoteAddress = hex2dec('50') specify an address of 50 hex.

Data Types: double | int8 | int16 | int32 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | char | string

## Vendor — I2C adapter vendor

```
'Aardvark'|'NI845x'
```

I2C adapter vendor, specified as 'Aardvark' or 'NI845x'. The vendor is 'Aardvark' if you are using the Total Phase Aardvark adapter and 'NI845x' if you are using the NI USB-845x adapter. This property can be set only at object creation.

```
Example: i2cobj = i2c('Aardvark',0,'50h') connects to a Total Phase Aardvark adapter.

Example: i2cobj = i2c('NI845x',0,'50h') connects to a NI USB-845x adapter.

Data Types: char|string
```

### TargetPower — Power to Aardvark adapter

```
'none' (default) | 'both'
```

Power to Aardvark adapter, specified as 'none' or 'both'. You can set this property for Aardvark adapters only. The value 'both' means power to both lines, if supported. The value 'none' means power to no lines.

**Note** If Target Power is off in the Total Phase Control Center Serial Software, you might receive an error when you try to connect to the Aardvark adapter using fopen. To manually set the option, open the software and select the **Target Power** check box.

```
Example: i2cobj.TargetPower = 'both' provides power to both lines on the Aardvark adapter.

Data Types: char | string
```

### **PullupResistors** — **Enabled pullup resistors**

```
'both' (default) | 'none'
```

Enabled pullup resistors, specified as 'both' or 'none'. The value 'both' enables 2k pullup resistors to protect hardware in the I2C device, if supported.

Devices differ in their use of pullups. The Aardvark and NI USB-8452 adapters have internal pullup resistors to tie both bus lines to VDD, and can be set programmatically. The NI USB-8451 adapter does not have this type of internal pullup resistor and, therefore, requires external pullups. Consult your device documentation to ensure that you are using the correct pullups.

```
Example: i2cobj.PullupResistors = 'none' disables pullup resistors.
Data Types: char | string
```

## **Object Functions**

fopen Connect interface object to instrument fread Read binary data from instrument Write binary data to instrument

fclose Disconnect interface object from instrument record Record data and event information to file

## **Examples**

instrhwinfo('i2c')

#### **Communicate with Total Phase Aardvark Adapter**

Communicate with an AT24C02 EEPROM chip on a circuit board, with an address of 50 hex and a board index of 0, using the Aardvark adapter.

Ensure that the Aardvark adapter is installed so that you can use the i2c interface, and then view the adapter properties.

```
instrhwinfo('i2c','Aardvark')
ans =
 HardwareInfo with properties:
    InstalledAdaptors: {'Aardvark' 'NI845x'}
       JarFileVersion: 'Version 4.1'
Access to your hardware may be provided by a support package. Go to the Support Package Installe
ans =
  HardwareInfo with properties:
              AdaptorDllName: 'C:\Program Files\MATLAB\R2019b\toolbox\instrument\instrumentadapto
           AdaptorDllVersion: 'Version 4.1'
                 AdaptorName: 'Aardvark'
               BoardIdsInUse: [1×0 double]
           InstalledBoardIDs: 0
      DetectedBoardSerials: {'2237482577 (BoardIndex: 0)'}
ObjectConstructorName: 'i2c('Aardvark', BoardIndex, RemoteAddress);'
               VendorDllName: 'aardvark.dll'
    VendorDriverDescription: 'Total Phase I2C Driver'
```

Access to your hardware may be provided by a support package. Go to the Support Package Installe

```
i2cobj = i2c('Aardvark',0,'50h')

I2C Object : I2C-0-50h
```

```
Communication Settings
      BoardIndex
      BoardSerial
                           0
      BitRate:
                          100 kHz
      RemoteAddress:
                          50h
      Vendor:
                           aardvark
   Communication State
      Status:
                           closed
      RecordStatus:
                          off
   Read/Write State
      TransferStatus:
                          idle
Connect to the chip.
fopen(i2cobj)
```

**Note** If Target Power is off in the Total Phase Control Center Serial Software, you might receive an error when you try to connect to the Aardvark adapter using fopen. To manually set the option, open the software and select the **Target Power** check box.

Write 'Hello World!' to the EEPROM chip. Data is written page-by-page in I2C. Each page contains eight bytes. The page address needs to be mentioned before every byte of data written.

```
The first byte of the string 'Hello World!' is 'Hello Wo'. Its page address is 0.

fwrite(i2cobj,[0 'Hello Wo'])

The second byte of the string 'Hello World!' is 'rld!'. Its page address is 8.

fwrite(i2cobj,[8 'rld!'])

To start reading from the first byte of the first page, write a zero to the i2c object.

fwrite(i2cobj,0)

Read data back from the chip using the fread function. The chip returns the characters sent to it.

char(fread(i2cobj,12))'
```

```
'Hello World!'
```

Disconnect the I2C device.

fclose(i2cobj)

ans =

Clear the object from the workspace.

clear i2cobj

### Communicate with Multiple Peripheral Devices from NI USB-845x Adapter

Communicate with multiple I2C peripheral devices from the same NI USB-845x adapter. You can read from multiple peripheral devices using the Aardvark adapter as well. In this example, the two peripheral devices are two sensor chips on a circuit board, with addresses of 62 hex and 53 hex. The board index is 0. The NI USB-845x adapter board is plugged into the computer (via the USB port), and a circuit board containing the sensor chips is connected to the host adapter board via wires.

Ensure that the NI USB-845x adapter is installed so that you can use the i2c interface, and then view the adapter properties.

```
instrhwinfo('i2c')
instrhwinfo('i2c','NI845x')
ans =
 HardwareInfo with properties:
    InstalledAdaptors: {'Aardvark' 'NI845x'}
       JarFileVersion: 'Version 4.1'
Access to your hardware may be provided by a support package. Go to the Support Package Installe
ans =
 HardwareInfo with properties:
             AdaptorDllName: 'C:\Program Files\MATLAB\R2019b\toolbox\instrument\instrumentadapto
          AdaptorDllVersion: 'Version 4.1'
                AdaptorName: 'NI845x'
              BoardIdsInUse: [1×0 double]
          InstalledBoardIDs: [1x0 double]
       DetectedBoardSerials: {0×1 cell}
      ObjectConstructorName: 'i2c('NI845x', BoardIndex, RemoteAddress);'
              VendorDllName: 'Ni845x.dll'
   VendorDriverDescription: 'National Instruments NI USB 845x Driver'
```

Access to your hardware may be provided by a support package. Go to the Support Package Installe

Create an i2c object named i2cobj with the Vendor 'NI845x', BoardIndex of 0, and RemoteAddress of 62h. This address is the remote address of the first I2C peripheral device to which you connect.

```
Communication State
Status: closed
RecordStatus: off

Read/Write State
TransferStatus: idle
```

Open a connection to the NI USB-845x adapter. This connection is to the sensor chip with the RemoteAddress specified during object creation.

```
fopen(i2cobj)
```

Write to the sensor chip. You need to read the documentation or data sheet of the chip to find the remote address and other information about the chip. In this case, open the chip registry by sending it a  $\theta$ .

```
fwrite(i2cobj,0)
```

Read data back from the chip using the fread function. By sending one byte, you can read back the device ID registry. For this chip, the read-only device ID registry is 229.

```
fread(i2cobj,1)
ans =
    229
```

Switch to the second sensor chip by setting the RemoteAddress to 53h. This address is the remote address of the second I2C peripheral device to which you connect. You do not need to reopen a connection with the adapter.

```
i2cobj.RemoteAddress = '53h';
```

Write to and read from the sensor chip. Because this chip is identical to the first chip, its device ID registry is also 229.

```
fwrite(i2cobj,0)
fread(i2cobj,1)
ans =
    229
Disconnect the I2C device.
fclose(i2cobj)
Clear the object from the workspace.
clear i2cobj
```

### See Also

#### **Topics**

```
"I2C Interface Overview" on page 9-2
"Configuring I2C Communication" on page 9-3
```

"Transmitting Data Over the I2C Interface" on page 9-6  $\,$ 

## Introduced in R2012a

# icdevice

Create device object

## Syntax

```
obj = icdevice('driver', hwobj)
obj = icdevice('driver', 'RsrcName')
obj = icdevice('driver')
obj = icdevice('driver', hwobj, 'P1', V1, 'P2', V2,...)
obj = icdevice('driver', 'RsrcName', 'P1', V1, 'P2', V2,...)
obj = icdevice('driver', 'P1', V1, 'P2', V2,...)
```

## **Arguments**

```
driver A MATLAB instrument driver.

hwobj An interface object.

RsrcName VISA resource name.

'P1', 'P2',... Device-specific property names.

V1, V2,... Property values supported by corresponding P1, P2,....

obj A device object.
```

## **Description**

obj = icdevice('driver', hwobj) creates the device object obj. The instrument-specific information is defined in the MATLAB interface instrument driver, driver. Communication to the instrument is done through the interface object, hwobj. The interface object can be a serial port, GPIB, VISA, TCPIP, or UDP object. If driver does not exist or if hwobj is invalid, the device object is not created.

Device objects may also be used with VXIplug&play and Interchangeable Virtual Instrument (IVI) drivers. To use these drivers, you must first have a MATLAB instrument driver wrapper for the underlying VXIplug&play or IVI driver. If the MATLAB instrument driver wrapper does not already exist, it may be created using makemid or midedit. Note that makemid or midedit only needs to be used once to create the MATLAB instrument driver wrapper.

obj = icdevice('driver', 'RsrcName') creates a device object obj, using the MATLAB instrument driver, driver. The specified driver must be a MATLAB VXI*plug&play* instrument driver or MATLAB IVI instrument driver. Communication to the instrument is done through the resource specified by rsrcname. For example, all VXI*plug&play*, and many IVI drivers require VISA resource names for rsrcname.

obj = icdevice('driver') constructs a device object obj, using the MATLAB instrument driver, driver. The specified driver must be a MATLAB IVI instrument driver, and the underlying IVI driver must be referenced using a logical name.

```
obj = icdevice('driver', hwobj, 'P1', V1, 'P2', V2,...), obj = icdevice('driver', 'RsrcName','P1', V1, 'P2', V2,...), and obj =
```

icdevice('driver', 'P1', V1, 'P2', V2,...), construct a device object, obj, with the specified property values. If an invalid property name or property value is specified, the object will not be created.

Note that the parameter-value pairs can be in any format supported by the set function: parameter-value character vector pairs, structures, and parameter-value cell array pairs.

Additionally, you can specify property names without regard to case, and you can make use of property name completion. For example, these commands are all valid and equivalent:

```
d = icdevice('tektronix_tds210',g,'0bjectVisibility','on');
d = icdevice('tektronix_tds210',g,'objectVisibility','on');
d = icdevice('tektronix tds210',g,'0bjectVis','on');
```

#### **Note About Deploying Code**

When using IVI-C or VXI Plug&Play drivers, executing your code will generate additional file(s) in the folder specified by executing the following code at the MATLAB prompt:

```
fullfile(tempdir, 'ICTDeploymentFiles', sprintf('R%s', version('-release')))
```

On all supported platforms, a file with the name MATLABPrototypeFor<driverName>.m is generated, where <driverName> the name of the IVI-C or VXI Plug&Play driver. With 64-bit MATLAB on Windows, a second file by the name <driverName>\_thunk\_pcwin64.dll is generated. When creating your deployed application or shared library, manually include these generated files. If using the icdevice function, remember to also manually include the MDD-file in the deployed application or shared library. For more information on including additional files refer to the MATLAB Compiler documentation.

## **Examples**

The first example creates a device object for a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope that is connected to a MCC GPIB board, using a MATLAB interface object and MATLAB interface instrument driver.

```
g = gpib('mcc',0,2);
d = icdevice('tektronix_tds210',g);

Connect to the instrument.

connect(d);

List the oscilloscope settings that can be configured.

props = set(d);

Get the current configuration of the oscilloscope.

values = get(d);

Disconnect from the instrument and clean up.

disconnect(d);
delete([d g]);
```

The second example creates a device object for a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope using a MATLAB VXIplug&play instrument driver.

This example assumes that the 'tktds5k' VXIplug&play driver is installed on your system.

This first step is necessary only if a MATLAB VXIplug&play instrument driver for the tktds5k does not exist on your system.

```
makemid('tktds5k', 'Tktds5kMATLABDriver');
```

Construct a device object that uses the VXI*plug&play* driver. The instrument is assumed to be located at GPIB primary address 2.

```
d = icdevice('Tktds5kMATLABDriver', 'GPIB0::2::INSTR');
Connect to the instrument.
connect(d);
List the oscilloscope settings that can be configured.
props = set(d);
Get the current configuration of the oscilloscope.
values = get(d);
Disconnect from the instrument and clean up.
disconnect(d);
delete(d);
```

## **Tips**

At any time, you can use the instrhelp function to view a complete listing of properties and functions associated with device objects.

```
instrhelp icdevice
```

When you create a device object, these property values are automatically configured:

- Interface specifies the interface used to communicate with the instrument. For device objects created using interface objects, it is that interface object. For VXIplug&play and IVI-C, this is the session handle to the driver session. For MATLAB instrument drivers, this is the handle to the driver's default COM interface.
- Logical Name is an IVI logical name. For non-IVI drivers, it is empty.
- Name is given by concatenating the instrument type with the name of the instrument driver.
- RsrcName is the full VISA resource name for VXIplug&play and IVI drivers. For MATLAB interface drivers, RsrcName is an empty character vector.
- Type is the instrument type, if known (for example, scope or multimeter).

To communicate with the instrument, the device object must be connected to the instrument with the connect function. When the device object is constructed, the object's Status property is closed. Once the device object is connected to the instrument with the connect function, the Status property is configured to open.

**Note** ICDEVICE is unable to open MDDs with non-ascii characters either in their name or path on Mac platforms.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

### See Also

connect | disconnect | instrhelp | Status

# inspect

Open Property Inspector

## **Syntax**

inspect(obj)

## **Arguments**

obj An instrument object or an array of instrument objects.

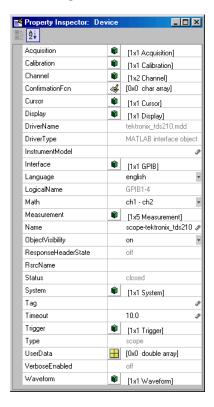
## **Description**

inspect(obj) opens the Property Inspector and allows you to inspect and set properties for instrument object obj.

## **Tips**

You can also open the Property Inspector via the Workspace browser by right-clicking an instrument object and selecting **Call Property Inspector** from the context menu, or by double-clicking the object.

Below is a Property Inspector for a device object that communicates with a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope.



# instrcallback

(To be removed) Display event information when event occurs

**Note** This function that uses serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, or gpib will be removed in a future release. Use serialport, bluetooth, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, or visadev instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

## **Syntax**

instrcallback(obj, event)

## **Arguments**

obj An instrument object.

event The event that caused the callback to execute.

## **Description**

instrcallback(obj, event) displays a message that contains the event type, the time the event occurred, and the name of the instrument object that caused the event to occur.

For error events, the error message is also displayed. For pin status events, the pin that changed value and its value are also displayed. For trigger events, the trigger line is also displayed. For datagram received events, the number of bytes received and the datagram address and port are also displayed.

**Note** Using this callback for numbers greater than 127 with a terminator is not supported.

# **Examples**

The following example creates the serial port objects s on a Windows machine, and configures s to execute instrcallback when an output-empty event occurs. The event occurs after the \*IDN? command is written to the instrument.

```
s = serial('COM1');
set(s,'OutputEmptyFcn',@instrcallback)
fopen(s)
fprintf(s,'*IDN?','async')
```

The resulting display from instrcallback is shown below.

```
OutputEmpty event occurred at 08:37:49 for the object: Serial-COM1
```

Read the identification information from the input buffer and end the serial port session.

```
idn = fscanf(s);
fclose(s)
```

delete(s)
clear s

## **Tips**

You should use instrcallback as a template from which you create callback functions that suit your specific application needs.

**Note** Using this callback for numbers greater than 127 with a terminator is not supported.

## **Compatibility Considerations**

### To be removed

Not recommended starting in R2022a

This function will be removed in a future release.

This function is used by the serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, and gpib interfaces. These interfaces will also be removed in a future release, as previously announced. Use the following interfaces instead.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
serial	serialport	"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26
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udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31
gpib	VISA-GPIB interface with visadev	"Transition Your Code to VISA- GPIB Interface" on page 4-16

The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance. For more information about the recommended interfaces, see "Interface-Based Instrument Communication".

# instrfind

(To be removed) Read instrument objects from memory to MATLAB workspace

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## **Syntax**

```
out = instrfind
out = instrfind('PropertyName',PropertyValue,...)
out = instrfind(S)
out = instrfind(obj,'PropertyName',PropertyValue,...)
```

## **Arguments**

Propertyname	A property name for obj.
PropertyValue	A property value supported by <i>PropertyName</i> .
S	A structure of property names and property values.
obj	An instrument object, or an array of instrument objects.
out	An array of instrument objects.

# **Description**

```
out = instrfind returns all valid instrument objects as an array to out.
```

out = instrfind('PropertyName', PropertyValue,...) returns an array of instrument objects whose property names and property values match those specified.

out = instrfind(S) returns an array of instrument objects whose property names and property values match those defined in the structure S. The field names of S are the property names, while the field values are the associated property values.

out = instrfind(obj,'PropertyName',PropertyValue,...) restricts the search for matching property name/property value pairs to the instrument objects listed in obj.

# **Examples**

Suppose you create the following two GPIB objects.

```
g1 = gpib('ni',0,1);
g2 = gpib('ni',0,2);
g2.EOSCharCode = 'CR';
fopen([g1 g2])
```

You can use instrfind to return instrument objects based on property values.

```
out1 = instrfind('Type', 'qpib');
out2 = instrfind({'Type','EOSCharCode'},{'gpib','CR'});
You can also use instrfind to return cleared instrument objects to the MATLAB workspace.
clear g1 g2
newobjs = instrfind
Instrument Object Array
   Index:
            Type:
                             Status:
                                          Name:
                                          GPIB0-1
   1
            gpib
                             open
   2
                                          GPIB0-2
             gpib
                             open
Assign the instrument objects their original names.
g1 = newobjs(1);
g2 = newobjs(2);
Close both g1 and g2.
```

## **Tips**

fclose(newobjs)

instrfind will not return an instrument object if its ObjectVisibility property is configured to off.

You must specify property values using the same format property requires. For example, if the Name property value is specified as MyObject, instrfind will not find an object with a Name property value of myobject. However, this is not the case for properties that have a finite set of character vector values. For example, instrfind will find an object with a Parity property value of Even or even. You can use the propinfo function to determine if a property has a finite set of character vector values.

If you want to clear all of the objects that are found with instrfind, you can use the instrreset function.

You can use property name/property value character vector pairs, structures, and cell array pairs in the same call to instrfind.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

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gpib	VISA-GPIB interface with visadev	"Transition Your Code to VISA- GPIB Interface" on page 4-16

The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance. For more information about the recommended interfaces, see "Interface-Based Instrument Communication".

## See Also

clear | instrfindall | propinfo | ObjectVisibility | get | instrreset

# instrfindall

(To be removed) Find visible and hidden instrument objects

**Note** This function that uses serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, or gpib will be removed in a future release. Use serialport, bluetooth, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, or visadev instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

## **Syntax**

```
out = instrfindall
out = instrfindall('P1',V1,...)
out = instrfindall(s)
out = instrfindall(objs,'P1',V1,...)
```

## **Arguments**

' <i>P1'</i>	Name of an instrument object property or device group object property
V1	Value allowed for corresponding P1.
S	A structure of property names and property values.
objs	An array of instrument objects or device group objects.
out	An array of returned instrument objects or device group objects.

# **Description**

out = instrfindall finds all instrument objects and device group objects, regardless of the value
of the objects' ObjectVisibility property. The object or objects are returned to out.

out = instrfindall('P1', V1,...) returns an array, out, of instrument objects and device group objects whose property names and corresponding property values match those specified as arguments.

out = instrfindall(s) returns an array, out, of instrument objects whose property names and corresponding property values match those specified in the structure s, where the field names correspond to property names and the field values correspond to the current value of the respective property.

out = instrfindall(objs,'P1', V1,...) restricts the search for objects with matching property name/value pairs to the instrument objects and device group objects listed in objs.

Note that you can use character vector property name/property value pairs, structures, and cell array property name/property value pairs in the same call to instrfindall.

# **Examples**

Suppose you create the following instrument objects on a Windows machine.

```
s1 = serial('COM1');
s2 = serial('COM2');
g1 = gpib('mcc',0,2);
g1.ObjectVisibility = 'off'
```

Because object g1 has its ObjectVisibility set to off, it is not visible to commands like instrfind:

instrfind

However, instrfindall finds all objects regardless of the value of ObjectVisibility:

instrfindall

```
Instrument Object Array
Index:
         Type:
                         Status:
                                     Name:
         serial
                         closed
                                     Serial-COM1
1
2
                                     Serial-COM2
         serial
                         closed
3
                         closed
                                     GPTB0-2
         gpib
```

The following statements use instrfindall to return objects with specific property settings, which are passed as cell arrays:

```
props = {'PrimaryAddress','SecondaryAddress};
vals = {2,0};
obj = instrfindall(props,vals);
```

You can use instrfindall as an argument when you want to apply the command to all objects, visible and invisible. For example, the following statement makes all objects visible:

```
set(instrfindall,'ObjectVisibility','on')
```

### **Tips**

instrfindall differs from instrfind in that it finds objects whose ObjectVisibility property
is set to off.

Property values are case sensitive. You must specify property values using the same format as that the property requires. For example, if Name property value is specified as MyObject, instrfindall will not find an object with a Name property value of myobject. However, this is not the case for properties that have a finite set of character vector values.

For example, instrfindall will find an object with a Parity property value of Even or even. You can use the propinfo function to determine if a property has a finite set of character vector values.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

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gpib	VISA-GPIB interface with visadev	"Transition Your Code to VISA- GPIB Interface" on page 4-16	

The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance. For more information about the recommended interfaces, see "Interface-Based Instrument Communication".

#### See Also

instrfind | propinfo | ObjectVisibility

# instrhelp

(To be removed) Help for instrument object type, function, or property

**Note** This function that uses serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, or gpib will be removed in a future release. Use serialport, bluetooth, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, or visadev instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### **Syntax**

```
instrhelp
instrhelp('name')
out = instrhelp('name')
instrhelp(obj)
instrhelp(obj,'name')
out = instrhelp(obj,'name')
```

### **Arguments**

'name' A function name, property name, or instrument object type.

obj An instrument object.

out The help text.

## **Description**

instrhelp returns a complete listing of toolbox functions, with a brief description of each.

instrhelp('name') returns help for the function, property, or instrument object type specified by
name.

You can return specific instrument object information by specifying *name* in the form object/function or object.property. For example, to return the help for a serial port object's fprintf function, *name* would be serial/fprintf. To return the help for a serial port object's Parity property, *name* would be serial.parity.

```
out = instrhelp('name') returns the help text to out.
```

instrhelp(obj) returns a complete listing of functions and properties for obj, with a brief description of each. Help for the constructor is also returned.

instrhelp(obj,'name') returns help for the function or property specified by name associated
with obj.

```
out = instrhelp(obj, 'name') returns the help text to out.
```

## **Examples**

The following commands illustrate some of the ways you can get function and property help without creating an instrument object:

```
instrhelp gpib
out = instrhelp('gpib.m');
instrhelp set
instrhelp EOSCharCode
instrhelp('gpib.eoscharcode')
```

The following commands illustrate some of the ways you can get function and property help for an existing instrument object:

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
instrhelp(g)
instrhelp(g,'EOSMode');
out = instrhelp(g,'trigger')
```

### **Tips**

When returning property help, the names in the See Also section that contain all uppercase letters are function names. The names that contain a mixture of upper and lowercase letters are property names. When returning function help, the See Also section contains only function names.

You can also display help via the Workspace browser by right-clicking an instrument object, and selecting **Instrument Help** from the context menu.

## **Compatibility Considerations**

#### To be removed

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The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance. For more information about the recommended interfaces, see "Interface-Based Instrument Communication".

## **See Also**

propinfo

## instrhwinfo

Information about available hardware

### **Syntax**

```
out = instrhwinfo
out = instrhwinfo('interface')
out = instrhwinfo('drivertype')
out = instrhwinfo('interface', 'adaptor')
out = instrhwinfo('drivertype', 'drivername')
out = instrhwinfo('ivi', 'LogicalName')
out = instrhwinfo('interface', 'adaptor', 'type')
out = instrhwinfo(obj)
out = instrhwinfo(obj, 'FieldName')
```

### **Arguments**

'interface'	A supported instrument interface.
'drivertype'	Instrument driver type, may be matlab, ivi, or vxipnp.
'adaptor'	A supported GPIB or VISA adaptor.
'drivername'	Name of ivi, VXIplug&play, or MATLAB instrument driver.
'LogicalName'	IVI logical name value.
'type'	Type of VISA interface.
obj	An instrument object or array of instrument objects.
'FieldName'	A field name or cell array of field names associated with obj.
out	A structure or array containing hardware information.

## **Description**

out = instrhwinfo returns hardware information to the structure out. This information includes
the toolbox version, the MATLAB software version, and supported interfaces.

out = instrhwinfo('interface') returns information related to the interface specified by interface. interface can be Bluetooth, gpib, i2c, serialport, spi, tcpip, udp, or visa. For the GPIB and VISA interfaces, the information includes the installed adaptors. For the serial port interface, the information includes the available ports and the object constructor name. For the TCP/IP and UDP interfaces, the information includes the local host address.

out = instrhwinfo('drivertype') returns a structure, out, which contains information related to the specified driver type, drivertype. drivertype can be matlab, vxipnp, or ivi. If drivertype is matlab, this information includes the MATLAB instrument drivers found on the MATLAB software path. If drivertype is vxipnp, this information includes the found VXIplug&play drivers. If drivertype is ivi, this information includes the available logical names and information on the IVI configuration store. You can use an IVI-C driver.

out = instrhwinfo('interface', 'adaptor') returns information related to the adaptor
specified by adaptor, and for the interface specified by interface. interface can be gpib or

visa. The returned information includes the adaptor version and available hardware. The GPIB adaptors are keysight (note that agilent still also works), ics, mcc, adlink, and ni. The VISA adaptors are keysight (note that agilent still also works), ni, rs, and tek.

out = instrhwinfo('drivertype', 'drivername') returns a structure, out, which contains
information related to the specified driver, drivername, for the specified drivertype. drivertype
can be set to matlab, or vxipnp. The available drivername values are returned by out =
instrhwinfo('drivertype').

out = instrhwinfo('ivi', 'LogicalName') returns a structure, out, which contains
information related to the specified logical name, LogicalName. The available logical name values
are returned by instrhwinfo('ivi').

out = instrhwinfo('interface', 'adaptor', 'type') returns a structure, out, which contains information on the specified type, type. interface can only be visa. adaptor can be ni, ics, keysight (note that agilent still also works), mcc, adlink, or tek. type can be gpib, vxi, gpib-vxi, serial, or rsib.

out = instrhwinfo(obj) returns information on the adaptor and vendor-supplied DLL associated with the VISA or GPIB object obj. If obj is a serial port, TCPIP, or UDP object, then JAR file information is returned. If obj is an array of instrument objects, then out is a 1-by-n cell array of structures where n is the length of obj.

out = instrhwinfo(obj,'FieldName') returns hardware information for the field name
specified by FieldName. FieldName can be a single character vector or a cell array of character
vectors. out is an m-by-n cell array where m is the length of obj and n is the length of FieldName.
You can return the supported values for FieldName using the instrhwinfo(obj) syntax.

## **Examples**

The following commands illustrate some of the ways you can get hardware-related information without creating an instrument object.

```
out1 = instrhwinfo;
out2 = instrhwinfo('serialport');
out3 = instrhwinfo('gpib','ni');
out4 = instrhwinfo('visa','agilent');
```

The following commands illustrate some of the ways you can get hardware-related information for an existing instrument object.

## Tips

You can also display hardware information via the Workspace browser by right-clicking an instrument object, and selecting **Display Hardware Info** from the context menu.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

## instrid

Define and retrieve commands that identify instruments

## **Syntax**

```
instrid
instrid('cmd')
out = instrid(...)
```

### **Arguments**

cmd The instrument identification command.

out The list of commands used to locate and identify instruments.

### **Description**

instrid returns the currently defined instrument identification commands.

instrid('cmd') defines the instruments identification commands to be the string cmd. Note that
you can also specify a cell array of commands.

out = instrid(...) returns the instrument identification commands to out.

## **Examples**

```
Set the identification command to *ID?.
```

```
instrid('*ID?')
```

Specify three new identification commands using a cell array.

```
instrid({'*IDN?','*ID?','IDEN?'})
```

Assign a list of current identification commands to an output variable.

```
id commands = instrid;
```

## Tips

The Instrument Control Toolbox instrhwinfo and tmtool functions use the instrument identification commands as defined by instrid when locating and identifying instruments.

By default, Instrument Control Toolbox software uses the command \*IDN?, which identifies most instruments. However, some instruments respond to different identification commands such as \*ID? or \*IDEN?.

If instrhwinfo or tmtool does not identify a known instrument, use instrid to specify the identification commands the instrument will respond to. If instrid returns no commands, an instrument cannot be found.

## See Also

instrhwinfo

# instrnotify

(To be removed) Define notification for instrument events

**Note** This function that uses serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, or gpib will be removed in a future release. Use serialport, bluetooth, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, or visadev instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### Syntax

```
instrnotify('Type', callback)
instrnotify({'P1', 'P2', ...}, 'Type', callback)
instrnotify(obj, 'Type', callback)
instrnotify(obj, {'P1', 'P2', ...}, 'Type', callback)
instrnotify('Type', callback, '-remove')
instrnotify(obj, 'Type', callback, '-remove')
```

### **Arguments**

```
'Type'
The type of event: ObjectCreated, ObjectDeleted, or PropertyChangedPostSet

callback
Function handle, character vector, or cell array to evaluate.

'P1', P2', ...
Any number of object property names.

obj
Instrument object or device group object.

'-remove'
Argument to remove specified callback.
```

## Description

instrnotify('Type', callback) evaluates the MATLAB expression, callback, in the MATLAB
workspace when an event of type Type is generated. Type can be ObjectCreated,
ObjectDeleted, or PropertyChangedPostSet.

If *Type* is <code>ObjectCreated</code>, <code>callback</code> is evaluated each time an instrument object or a device group object is created. If *Type* is <code>ObjectDeleted</code>, <code>callback</code> is evaluated each time an instrument object or a device group object is deleted. If <code>Type</code> is <code>PropertyChangedPostSet</code>, <code>callback</code> is evaluated each time an instrument object or device group object property is configured with <code>set</code>.

callback can be

- A function handle
- · A character vector to be evaluated
- A cell array containing the function to evaluate in the first cell (function handle or name of function) and extra arguments to pass to the function in subsequent cells

The callback function is invoked with

```
function(obj, event, [arg1, arg2,...])
```

where obj is the instrument object or device group object generating the event. event is a structure containing information on the event generated. If *Type* is ObjectCreated or ObjectDeleted, event contains the type of event. If *Type* is PropertyChangedPostSet, event contains the type of event, the property being configured, and the new property value.

instrnotify({'P1', 'P2', ...}, 'Type', callback) evaluates the MATLAB expression, callback, in the MATLAB workspace when any of the specified properties, P1, P2, ... are configured. Type can be only PropertyChangedPostSet.

instrnotify(obj, 'Type', callback) evaluates the MATLAB expression, callback, in the MATLAB workspace when an event of type Type for object obj, is generated. obj can be an array of instrument objects or device group objects.

instrnotify(obj, {'P1', 'P2', ...}, 'Type', callback) evaluates the MATLAB expression, callback, in the MATLAB workspace when any of the specified properties, P1, P2, are configured on object obj.

instrnotify('Type', callback, '-remove') removes the specified callback of type Type.

instrnotify(obj, 'Type', callback, '-remove') removes the specified callback of type
Type for object obj.

### **Examples**

```
instrnotify('PropertyChangedPostSet', @instrcallback);
g = gpib('mcc', 0, 5);
set(g, 'Name', 'mygpib');
fopen(g);
fclose(g);
instrnotify('PropertyChangedPostSet',@instrcallback,'-remove');
```

## Tips

PropertyChangedPostSet events are generated only when the property is configured to a different value than what the property is currently configured to. For example, if a GPIB object's Tag property is configured to 'myobject', a PropertyChangedPostSet event will not be generated if the object's Tag property is currently set to 'myobject'. A PropertyChangedPostSet event will be generated if the object's Tag property is set to 'myGPIBObject'.

If obj is specified and the callback *Type* is ObjectCreated, the callback will not be generated because obj has already been created.

If *Type* is <code>ObjectDeleted</code>, the invalid object <code>obj</code> is not passed as the first input argument to the <code>callback</code> function. Instead, an empty matrix is passed as the first input argument.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

## **Compatibility Considerations**

#### To be removed

Not recommended starting in R2022a

This function will be removed in a future release.

This function is used by the serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, and gpib interfaces. These interfaces will also be removed in a future release, as previously announced. Use the following interfaces instead.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information	
serial	serialport	"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26	
Bluetooth	bluetooth (case-sensitive)	"Transition Your Code to bluetooth Interface"	
tcpip	tcpclient	"Transition Your Code to tcpclient Interface" on page 7- 36	
	tcpserver	"Transition Your Code to tcpserver Interface" on page 7- 43	
udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18	
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31	
gpib	VISA-GPIB interface with visadev	"Transition Your Code to VISA- GPIB Interface" on page 4-16	

The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance. For more information about the recommended interfaces, see "Interface-Based Instrument Communication".

## instrreset

(To be removed) Disconnect and delete all instrument objects

**Note** This function that uses serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, or gpib will be removed in a future release. Use serialport, bluetooth, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, or visadev instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### **Syntax**

instrreset

### **Description**

instrreset disconnects and deletes all instrument objects.

### **Tips**

If data is being written or read asynchronously, the asynchronous operation is stopped.

instrreset is equivalent to issuing the stopasync (if needed), fclose, and delete functions for all instrument objects.

When you delete an instrument object, it becomes *invalid*. Because you cannot connect an invalid object to the instrument, you should remove it from the workspace with the clear command.

## **Compatibility Considerations**

#### To be removed

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Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
	tcpserver	"Transition Your Code to tcpserver Interface" on page 7- 43
udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31
gpib	VISA-GPIB interface with visadev	"Transition Your Code to VISA- GPIB Interface" on page 4-16

The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance. For more information about the recommended interfaces, see "Interface-Based Instrument Communication".

## **See Also**

clear|delete|fclose|isvalid|stopasync

## invoke

Execute driver-specific function on device object

### **Syntax**

```
out = invoke(obj,'name')
out = invoke(obj,'name',arg1,arg2,...)
```

### **Arguments**

```
obj A device object.

name The function to execute.

arg1,arg2,... Arguments passed to name.

out The function output.
```

## **Description**

```
out = invoke(obj, 'name') executes the function specified by name on the device object specified
by obj. The function's output is returned to out.
```

```
out = invoke(obj, 'name', arg1, arg2,...) passes the arguments arg1, arg2,... to the function specified by name.
```

## **Examples**

Create a device object for a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope that is connected to a National Instruments GPIB board.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,2);
d = icdevice('tektronix_tds210',g);
```

Perform a self-calibration for the oscilloscope by invoking the calibrate function.

```
out = invoke(d,'calibrate')
out =
'0'
```

0 indicates that the self-calibration completed without any errors.

## Tips

```
To list the driver-specific functions supported by obj, type methods(obj)

To display help for a specific function, type instrhelp(obj,'name')
```

## See Also

instrhelp|methods|Status

## isvalid

Determine whether instrument objects are valid

## **Syntax**

```
out = isvalid(obj)
```

### **Arguments**

obj An instrument object or array of instrument objects.

out A logical array.

## **Description**

out = isvalid(obj) returns the logical array out, which contains a 0 where the elements of obj
are invalid instrument objects and a 1 where the elements of obj are valid instrument objects.

## **Examples**

Suppose you create the following two GPIB objects:

```
g1 = gpib('ni',0,1);
g2 = gpib('ni',0,2);
g2 becomes invalid after it is deleted.
delete(g2)
isvalid verifies that g1 is valid and g2 is invalid.
garray = [g1 g2];
isvalid(garray)
ans =
```

## **Tips**

**obj** becomes invalid after it is removed from memory with the **delete** function. Because you cannot connect an invalid object to the instrument, you should remove it from the workspace with the **clear** command.

#### See Also

clear | delete

#### Introduced before R2006a

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# iviconfigurationstore

Create IVI configuration store object

## **Syntax**

```
obj = iviconfigurationstore
obj = iviconfigurationstore('file')
```

### **Arguments**

obj IVI configuration store object 'file' Configuration store data file

## **Description**

obj = iviconfigurationstore creates an IVI configuration store object and establishes a connection to the IVI Configuration Server. The data in the master configuration store is used.

obj = iviconfigurationstore('file') creates an IVI configuration store object and establishes a connection to the IVI Configuration Server. The data in the configuration store, file, is used. If file cannot be found or is not a valid configuration store, an error occurs.

#### See Also

add | commit | remove | update

## ividev

Instrument connection using MATLAB driver

## **Description**

Use ividev to create a connection to an instrument using a MATLAB driver. After you create an ividev object, you can explore the instrument's attributes and capabilities by calling help on the object. Configure and communicate with the instrument by using its functions. To use the ividev interface, you must have the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers. For more information, see "Install Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers" on page 13-2.

### Creation

### **Syntax**

dev = ividev(matlabDriver, resourceName)
dev = ividev(matlabDriver, resourceName, Name=Value)

#### **Description**

dev = ividev(matlabDriver, resourceName) connects to a physical instrument specified by the resource string resourceName and using the driver specified by the string matlabDriver. View a list of drivers and resource names using ividevlist.

All ividev objects have a common set of "Properties" on page 23-245. The rest of the properties are from the instrument. All the ividev object functions are also from the instrument. You can explore the ividev properties and object functions for your instrument by clicking the links in the object output display. You can also use the help function on the object.

dev = ividev(matlabDriver, resourceName, Name=Value) connects to the instrument and sets
additional properties using optional name-value arguments.

#### **Input Arguments**

#### matlabDriver — MATLAB driver name

character vector | string scalar

MATLAB driver name, specified as a character vector or string scalar. You can identify the driver name using the information returned by ividriverlist or ividevlist.

#### resourceName — IVI-C or VXIplug&play resource name

character vector | string scalar

IVI-C or VXIplug&play resource name, specified as a character vector or string scalar. You can identify your instrument's resource name using the information returned by ividevlist. This input sets the Resource property.

#### **Name-Value Pair Arguments**

Specify optional pairs of arguments as Namel=Value1,..., NameN=ValueN, where Name is the argument name and Value is the corresponding value. Name-value arguments must appear after other arguments, but the order of the pairs does not matter.

Example: dev = ividev("tktds1k2k","",Simulate=true,ResetDevice=true) connects to a simulated tktds1k2k driver and uses DriverSetup to specify the simulated instrument model as TDS2024.

#### IDQuery — Instrument ID query

true (default) | false

Instrument ID query, specified as logical true or false. If this argument is true, the ividev function queries the instrument ID and checks that it is valid for the driver matlabDriver.

Example: dev = ividev("matlabDriver", "resourceName", IDQuery=false) disables instrument ID query.

### ResetDevice — Instrument reset

false (default) | true

Instrument reset, specified as logical false or true. If this argument is true, the ividev function resets the instrument to a known state.

If you adjusted the knobs on your instrument before connecting to it, you can read those values by connecting to the instrument with this argument set to false. However, if you want a known starting state, you can connect to the instrument with this argument set to true.

Example: dev = ividev("matlabDriver", "resourceName", ResetDevice=true) resets the instrument to a known state.

#### Simulate — Simulation mode

false (default) | true

Simulation mode, specified as logical true or false. If this argument is true, the instrument runs in simulation mode.

In simulation mode, you do not need to have an instrument physically connected to your computer and you can specify resourceName as anything. You can specify additional parameters, such as a simulated instrument model, using the DriverSetup argument. Any data that you read from a simulated instrument are simulated values.

Example: dev = ividev("matlabDriver","",Simulate=true,DriverSetup="Model:2024")
connects to a simulated instrument.

#### RangeCheck — Parameter value validation

true (default) | false

Parameter value validation, specified as true or false. If this argument is true, the instrument driver validates parameter values that you pass into driver functions. You can set this to false for improved performance.

Example: dev = ividev("matlabDriver", "resourceName", RangeCheck=false) does not validate parameter values.

#### **Cache — State caching**

true (default) | false

State caching, specified as true or false. If this argument is true, the instrument driver caches attribute values to offer better performance by reducing I/O traffic.

Example: dev = ividev("matlabDriver", "resourceName", Cache=false) turns off state caching.

#### QueryInstrStatus — Instrument error status check

true (default) | false

Instrument error status check, specified as true or false. If this argument is true, the instrument driver checks the instrument's error status after each operation. You can set this to false for improved performance.

Example: dev = ividev("matlabDriver", "resourceName", QueryInstrStatus=false) does not check the instrument's error status.

#### InterchangeCheck — Interchangeability check

false (default) | true

Interchangeability check, specified as false or true. If this argument is true, the instrument driver keeps track of each interchangeability warning it encounters.

Example: dev = ividev("matlabDriver", "resourceName", InterchangeCheck=true) keeps track of interchangeability warnings.

#### RecordCoercions — Value coercion record

false (default) | true

Value coercion record, specified as false or true. If this argument is true, the driver matlabDriver keeps a record of each value coercion. A value coercion is when you specify a value for a function that accepts a list of discrete inputs and the value is coerced to the closest discrete value.

Example: dev = ividev("matlabDriver", "resourceName", RecordCoercions=true) keeps a record of each value coercion.

#### OptionString — Options string

string scalar

Options string, specified as a string scalar. Use this argument to specify instrument attribute values in the same format that you pass into InitWithOptions. Specify multiple attribute values by separating them with commas. You can copy the option string from your C code to use as the value for this argument.

For name-value arguments, you must specify them only as name-value arguments or using this argument. For example, you cannot enable simulation mode by using Simulate=true and OptionString="Simulate=true".

Example: dev =

ividev("matlabDriver", "resourceName", OptionString="Simulate=true, ResetDevice= true") turns simulation mode on with device reset.

#### DriverSetup — Driver settings

string scalar

Driver settings, specified as a string scalar. Use this argument to specify additional settings defined by the vendor driver. Refer to the vendor driver documentation for more information.

Example: dev = ividev("tktds1k2k","",Simulate=true,DriverSetup="Model:2024") connects to a simulated tktds1k2k driver and uses DriverSetup to specify the simulated instrument model as TDS2024.

#### Timeout — Allowed time to find and connect to instrument

30 (default) | numeric

Allowed time to find and connect to the instrument, specified as a numeric value. Use this property to specify a larger timeout value if your instrument does not connect within the default timeout period of 30 seconds.

Example: dev = ividev("matlabDriver", "resourceName", Timeout=45) sets the connection timeout period to 45 seconds.

Data Types: double

### **Properties**

**Note** The following properties are common for all ividev objects. To see a full list of driver-specific properties, use the properties function. For example, properties (dev) returns a list of properties for the ividev object dev. You can also click the property links from the object output display.

#### Model — Instrument model

string scalar

This property is read-only.

Instrument model, specified as a string scalar.

Data Types: string

#### Manufacturer — Instrument manufacturer

string scalar

This property is read-only.

Instrument manufacturer, specified as a string scalar.

Data Types: string

#### SerialNumber — Serial number associated with instrument

string scalar

This property is read-only.

Serial number associated with the instrument, specified as a string scalar.

Data Types: string

#### Resource - Resource name

string scalar

This property is read-only.

Resource name, specified as a string scalar.

Data Types: string

VendorDriver — Vendor driver

string scalar

This property is read-only.

Vendor driver, specified as a string scalar.

Data Types: string

## **Object Functions**

The object functions for an ividev object are driver-specific. To see a full list of supported object functions, use the methods function. For example, methods (dev) returns a list of object functions for the ividev object dev. You can also click the link from Show all functions in the object output display.

## **Examples**

#### **Connect to IVI Instrument**

View a list of installed drivers.

driverList = ividriverlist

driverList =

15×4 table

	VendorDriver	MATLABDriver	IVIClass		
1	"AgInfiniiVision"	"AgInfiniiVision"	"IVIScope"	{["C7302"	"C7302C
2	"IviACPwr"	"IviACPwr"	"IVIACPwr"	{[""]	
3	"IviCounter"	"IviCounter"	"IVICounter"	{[""	
4	"IviDCPwr"	"IviDCPwr"	"IVIDCPwr"	{[""]}	
5	"IviDigitizer"	"IviDigitizer"	"IVIDigitizer"	{[""	
6	"IviDmm"	"IviDmm"	"IVIDmm"	{[""	
7	"IviDownconverter"	"IviDownconverter"	"IVIDownconverter"	{[""	
8	"IviFgen"	"IviFgen"	"IVIFgen"	{[""	
9	"IviPwrMeter"	"IviPwrMeter"	"IVIPwrMeter"	{[""	
10	"IviRfSigGen"	"IviRfSigGen"	"IVIRfSigGen"	{[""	
11	"IviScope"	"IviScope"	"IVIScope"	{[""	
12	"IviSpecAn"	"IviSpecAn"	"IVISpecAn"	{[""	
13	"IviSwtch"	"IviSwtch"	"IVISwtch"	""]}	
14	"IviUpconverter"	"IviUpconverter"	"IVIUpconverter"	""]}	
15	"tktds1k2k"	"tktds1k2k"	"IVIScope"	{["TB21042"	"TBS10

View a list of physically connected instruments on your computer.

```
deviceList = ividevlist

deviceList =

1×5 table

MATLABDriver
ResourceName
VendorDriver

1 "AgInfiniiVision" "TCPIP0::152.90.186.165::hislip0::INSTR" "AgInfiniiVision"
```

Create a connection to your instrument using ividev. In this example, connect to a Keysight DSOX1204A oscilloscope using the specified MATLAB driver AgInfiniiVision and resource name TCPIP0::152.90.186.165::hislip0::INSTR.

```
dev = ividev("AgInfiniiVision", "TCPIP0::152.90.186.165::hislip0::INSTR")
dev =
 AgInfiniiVision with properties:
                   Model: "DS0X1204A"
            Manufacturer: "KEYSIGHT TECHNOLOGIES"
            SerialNumber: "CN59206154"
            ResourceName: "TCPIP0::152.90.186.165::hislip0::INSTR"
            VendorDriver: "AgInfiniiVision"
                Simulate: 0
               ChannelIDs: ["Channel1", "Channel2", "Channel3", "Channel4"]
       DigitalChannelIDs: []
         MathFunctionIDs: ["Math1", "Math2"]
          MeasurementIDs: ["Channel1", "Channel2", "Channel4", "FUNC", ... ]
            SerialBusIDs: []
              WaveGenIDs: "WaveGen1"
   InherentIVIAttributes: [1x1 InherentIVIAttributes]
             Acquisition: [1x1 Acquisition]
                 Channel: [1x4 Channel]
      InstrumentSpecific: [1x1 InstrumentSpecific]
                 Trigger: [1x1 Trigger]
     WaveformMeasurement: [1x1 WaveformMeasurement]
Show all functions
```

You can explore the instrument's attributes and capabilities by clicking the links from the object output display. Configure these properties using dot notation.

#### **Connect to Simulated IVI Instrument**

If you have an IVI-C or VXI*plug&play* driver installed, but do not have an instrument physically connected to your computer, you can create a simulated instrument using ividev.

View a list of installed drivers.

```
driverList = ividriverlist
```

```
driverList =
  15×4 table
```

	VendorDriver	MATLABDriver	IVIClass		
1	"AgInfiniiVision"	"AgInfiniiVision"	"IVIScope"	{ [ "C7302"	"C7302C'
2	"IviACPwr"	"IviACPwr"	"IVIACPwr"	{[""	
3	"IviCounter"	"IviCounter"	"IVICounter"	{[""	
4	"IviDCPwr"	"IviDCPwr"	"IVIDCPwr"	{[""	
5	"IviDigitizer"	"IviDigitizer"	"IVIDigitizer"	{[""	
6	"IviDmm"	"IviDmm"	"IVIDmm"	{[""	
7	"IviDownconverter"	"IviDownconverter"	"IVIDownconverter"	{[""	
8	"IviFgen"	"IviFgen"	"IVIFgen"	{[""	
9	"IviPwrMeter"	"IviPwrMeter"	"IVIPwrMeter"	{[""	
10	"IviRfSigGen"	"IviRfSigGen"	"IVIRfSigGen"	{[""	
11	"IviScope"	"IviScope"	"IVIScope"	{[""	
12	"IviSpecAn"	"IviSpecAn"	"IVISpecAn"	{[""	
13	"IviSwtch"	"IviSwtch"	"IVISwtch"	{[""	
14	"IviUpconverter"	"IviUpconverter"	"IVIUpconverter"	{[""	
15	"tktds1k2k"	"tktds1k2k"	"IVIScope"	{["TB21042"	"TBS10

For this example, create a simulated instrument using the tktds1k2k MATLAB driver.

Use the ividev function with the name-value argument Simulate. The resource name can be anything, such as an empty string, but it must still be specified.

```
dev = ividev("tktds1k2k","",Simulate=true)
dev =
 tktds1k2k with properties:
                       Model: "TDS 1002"
                Manufacturer: "TEKTRONIX"
                SerialNumber: ""
                ResourceName: ""
                VendorDriver: "tktds1k2k"
                    Simulate: 1
                  ChannelIDs: ["CH1", "CH2", "MATH", "REFA", "REFB"]
    PowerAnalysisChannelIDs: ["CH1", "CH2"]
       InherentIVIAttributes: [1x1 InherentIVIAttributes]
                 Acquisition: [1x1 Acquisition]
                     Channel: [1x5 Channel]
                  Triggering: [1x1 Triggering]
        WaveformMeasurement: [1x1 WaveformMeasurement]
                        Math: [1x1 Math]
    PowerAnalysisApplication: [1x1 PowerAnalysisApplication]
                 DataLogging: [1x1 DataLogging]
                   LimitTest: [1x1 LimitTest]
    MiscellaneousAttributes: [1x1 MiscellaneousAttributes]
```

Show all functions

You can explore the simulated instrument's attributes and capabilities by clicking the links from the object output display. Configure these properties using dot notation.

## **See Also**

ividriverlist|ividevlist

Introduced in R2022a

## ividevlist

List physically connected IVI-C and VXIplug&play instruments

### **Syntax**

```
deviceList = ividevlist
deviceList = ividevlist(Timeout=time)
```

### Description

deviceList = ividevlist returns a table containing information about the physically connected IVI-C and VXI*plug&play* instruments detected on your computer, as well as their associated MATLAB drivers. Connect to one of the drivers from MATLAB by using the MATLAB driver name and resource name with ividev.

To use the ividev interface, you must have the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers. For more information, see "Install Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers" on page 13-2.

**Note** Some resources connected over serial or TCP/IP might not be listed in the table, but you can still create an ividev object for those resources by specifying a valid resource name.

deviceList = ividevlist(Timeout=time) returns all physically connected IVI-C and VXI*plug&play* instruments found within the specified period, time, in seconds. The default timeout period is 30 seconds.

## **Examples**

#### List Physically Connected IVI-C and VXIplug&play Drivers

Use ividevlist to list all available IVI-C and VXIplug&play instruments, along with their resource names, on your computer.

```
deviceList = ividevlist

deviceList =

1×5 table

MATLABDriver
ResourceName
VendorDriver

1 "AgInfiniiVision" "TCPIP0::152.90.186.165::hislip0::INSTR" "AgInfiniiVision"
```

MATLABDriver and ResourceName identify each resource. You must use both as inputs to create an ividev object. The VendorDriver, Model, and SerialNumber columns provide additional information about the instrument or device.

In this example, a Keysight DSOX1204A oscilloscope that uses the AgInfiniiVision driver is connected to the computer. The resource name indicates that this instrument is connected over TCP/IP.

### **Output Arguments**

#### deviceList — List of IVI-C and VXIplug&play instruments

table

List of IVI-C and VXI*plug&play* instruments, returned as a table. The table has the following columns.

#### MATLABDriver — MATLAB driver name

string scalar

MATLAB driver name, returned as a string scalar. This is the MATLAB wrapper for the associated vendor driver. Use this name as an input for ividev to create a connection to your instrument.

#### ResourceName — IVI-C or VXIplug&play instrument name

string scalar

IVI-C or VXI*plug&play* instrument name, returned as a string scalar. Use this name as an input for ividev to create a connection to your instrument.

#### VendorDriver — Third-party vendor driver name

string scalar

Third-party vendor driver name, returned as a string scalar. This is the vendor driver DLL that you have installed on your computer.

#### Model — Instrument model

string scalar

Instrument model, returned as a string scalar. This column has a value only if the instrument provides this information.

#### SerialNumber — Serial number associated with instrument

string scalar

Serial number associated with instrument, returned as a string scalar. If you have more than one of the same type of instrument, you can identify them using the value of this column.

#### See Also

ividev|ividriverlist

#### Introduced in R2022a

## ividriverlist

List installed IVI-C and VXIplug&play drivers

### **Syntax**

driverList = ividriverlist

## **Description**

driverList = ividriverlist returns a table containing information about the IVI-C and VXIplug&play drivers installed on your computer, as well as their associated MATLAB drivers. The table also contains the thirteen IVI class-compliant drivers. Use the MATLAB drivers to connect to devices with ividev.

To use the ividev interface, you must have the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers. For more information, see "Install Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers" on page 13-2.

## **Examples**

#### List Installed IVI-C and VXIplug&play Drivers

Use ividriverlist to list all installed IVI-C and VXIplug&play drivers on your computer.

driverList = ividriverlist

driverList =

15×4 table

	VendorDriver	MATLABDriver	IVIClass		
1	"AgTnfiniiVicion"	"AgInfiniiVicion"	"TVTC cono"	(["(7202"	"C7302C'
T	"AgInfiniiVision" "IviACPwr"	"AgInfiniiVision" "IviACPwr"	"IVIScope" "IVIACPwr"	{["C7302" {[""	C/302C
2				C L	
3	"IviCounter"	"IviCounter"	"IVICounter"	{[""	
4	"IviDCPwr"	"IviDCPwr"	"IVIDCPwr"	{[""	
5	"IviDigitizer"	"IviDigitizer"	"IVIDigitizer"	{[""	
6	"IviDmm"	"IviDmm"	"IVIDmm"	{[""	
7	"IviDownconverter"	"IviDownconverter"	"IVIDownconverter"	{[""	
8	"IviFgen"	"IviFgen"	"IVIFgen"	""]}	
9	"IviPwrMeter"	"IviPwrMeter"	"IVIPwrMeter"	{[""	
10	"IviRfSigGen"	"IviRfSigGen"	"IVIRfSigGen"	{[""	
11	"IviScope"	"IviScope"	"IVIScope"	{[""	
12	"IviSpecAn"	"IviSpecAn"	"IVISpecAn"	{[""	
13	"IviSwtch"	"IviSwtch"	"IVISwtch"	{[""	
14	"IviUpconverter"	"IviUpconverter"	"IVIUpconverter"	{[""	
15	"tktds1k2k"	"tktds1k2k"	"IVIScope"	{["TB21042"	"TBS1(

The VendorDriver and MATLABDriver columns identify each installed driver. You must use MATLABDriver as an input to create an ividev object. The IVIClass and SupportedModels columns provide additional information about the driver.

In this example, AgInfiniiVision and tktds1k2k are the IVI drivers installed on this computer. The ividriverlist function also lists the thirteen IVI class-compliant drivers.

### **Output Arguments**

#### driverList — List of IVI-C and VXIplug&play drivers

table

List of IVI-C and VXI*plug&play* drivers installed on your computer, returned as a table. The table has the following columns.

#### VendorDriver — Third-party vendor driver name

string scalar

Third-party vendor driver name, returned as a string scalar. This is the vendor driver DLL that you have installed on your computer.

#### MATLABDriver — MATLAB driver name

string scalar

MATLAB driver name, returned as a string scalar. This is the MATLAB wrapper for the associated vendor driver. Use this name as an input for ividev to create a connection to your instrument.

You must have the vendor driver installed on your computer to have the associated MATLAB driver. If the value of this column is empty, but VendorDriver is not, the MATLAB driver is most likely not supported by the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers. For a full list of MATLAB drivers that are included with the support package, see "Supported IVI Drivers" on page 13-6.

#### IVIClass — IVI instrument class

string scalar

IVI instrument class of the driver, returned as a string scalar. If the driver is a VXI*plug&play* driver, the value of this column is "VXIPnP".

### SupportedModels — Instrument models supported

cell array

Instrument models supported by the driver in MATLAB, returned as a string scalar. You can search this array to determine if your instrument is supported.

#### See Also

ividev|ividevlist

#### Introduced in R2022a

# length

Length of instrument object array

## **Syntax**

length(obj)

## **Arguments**

obj An instrument object or an array of instrument objects.

## **Description**

length(obj) returns the length of obj. It is equivalent to the command max(size(obj)).

## **See Also**

instrhelp|size

## load

Load instrument objects and variables into MATLAB workspace

### **Syntax**

```
load filename
load filename obj1 obj2 ...
out = load('filename','obj1','obj2',...)
```

### **Arguments**

```
filename The MAT-file name.

obj1 obj2 ... Instrument objects or arrays of instrument objects.

out A structure containing the specified instrument objects.
```

### **Description**

load filename returns all variables from the MAT-file specified by filename into the MATLAB workspace.

load filename obj1 obj2 ... returns the instrument objects specified by obj1 obj2... from the MAT-file filename into the MATLAB workspace.

out = load('filename', 'obj1', 'obj2', ...) returns the specified instrument objects from the MAT-file filename as a structure to out instead of directly loading them into the workspace. The field names in out match the names of the loaded instrument objects.

## **Examples**

Suppose you create the GPIB objects g1 and g2, configure a few properties for g1, and connect both objects to their associated instruments.

```
g1 = gpib('ni',0,1);
g2 = gpib('ni',0,2);
set(g1,'EOSMode','read','EOSCharCode','CR')
fopen([g1 g2])
```

The read-only Status property is automatically configured to open.

```
g1.Status
ans =
open

g2.Status
ans =
open
```

Save g1 and g2 to the file MyObject.mat, and then load the objects into the MATLAB workspace.

```
save MyObject g1 g2
load MyObject g1 g2
```

Values for read-only properties are restored to their default values upon loading, while all other property values are honored.

```
get([g1 g2],{'EOSMode','EOSCharCode','Status'})
ans =
    'read' 'CR' 'closed'
    'none' 'LF' 'closed'
```

## **Tips**

Values for read-only properties are restored to their default values upon loading. For example, the Status property is restored to closed. To determine if a property is read-only, examine its reference pages or use the propinfo function.

### See Also

instrhelp|propinfo|save

## makemid

(To be removed) Convert driver to MATLAB instrument driver format

**Note** This function will be removed in a future release. Use the Instrument Control Toolbox<sup>m</sup> Support Package for IVI<sup>g</sup> and VXIplug&play Drivers instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### **Syntax**

```
makemid('driver')
makemid('driver', 'filename')
makemid('driver', 'type')
makemid('driver', 'filename', 'type')
```

### **Arguments**

'driver' Name of driver being converted.

'filename' Name of file that the converted driver is saved to. You may specify a full

pathname. If an extension is not specified, the .mdd extension is used.

'type' The type of driver the function looks for. By default, the function

searches among all types.

## Description

makemid('driver') searches through known driver types for driver and creates a MATLAB instrument driver representation of the driver. Known driver types include VXIplug&play and IVI-C. For driver you can use a Module (for IVI-C), a LogicalName (for IVI-C), or the original VXIplug&play instrument driver name. The MATLAB instrument driver will be saved in the current working directory as driver.mdd

The MATLAB instrument driver can then be modified using midedit to customize the driver behavior, and may be used to instantiate a device object using icdevice.

makemid('driver', 'filename') creates and saves the MATLAB instrument driver using the name and path specified by filename.

makemid('driver', 'type') and makemid('driver', 'filename', 'type') override the default search order and look only for drivers whose type is type. Valid types are vxiplug&play and ivi-c.

The function searches for the specified driver root interface. For example, if the driver supports the IIviScope interface, an interface value of IIviScope results in a device object that only contains the IVIScope class-compliant properties and methods.

**Note** MAKEMID is unable to open MDDs with non-ascii characters either in their name or path on Mac platforms.

## **Examples**

To convert the driver hp34401 into the MATLAB instrument driver hp34401.mdd in the current working directory,

```
makemid('hp34401');
```

To convert the driver tktds5k into the MATLAB instrument driver with a specific name and location,

```
makemid('tktds5k', 'C:\MyDrivers\tektronix_5k.mdd');
```

To convert the IVI-C driver tktds5k into the MATLAB instrument driver tktds5k.mdd in the current working directory. This example causes the function to look for the driver only among the IVI-C drivers.

```
makemid('tktds5k', 'ivi-c');
```

To create the MATLAB instrument driver MyIviLogicalName.mdd from the IVI logical name MyIviLogicalName,

```
makemid('MyIviLogicalName');
```

## **Compatibility Considerations**

#### To be removed

Not recommended starting in R2022a

This function will be removed in a future release.

For existing MATLAB instrument drivers created with makemid or midedit, the icdevice function still works. For IVI and VXI*plug&play* drivers, use ividev with one of the supported drivers in the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXI*plug&play* Drivers.

The midedit and midtest functions launch apps to edit and test MATLAB instrument drivers. For existing instrument driver files, you can use a text editor to make edits, if necessary. These apps are not needed for the ividev interface.

#### See Also

icdevice | midedit

# memmap

(To be removed) Map memory for low-level memory read and write operations

**Note** This visa object function will be removed in a future release. Use visadev object functions instead. For more information, see "Compatibility Considerations".

## **Syntax**

```
memmap(obj,'adrspace',offset,size)
```

## **Arguments**

obj A VISA-VXI or VISA-GPIB-VXI object.

'adrspace' The memory address space.

offset Offset for the memory address space.

size Number of bytes to map.

## **Description**

memmap(obj, 'adrspace', offset, size) maps the amount of memory specified by size in address space, adrspace with an offset, offset. You can configure adrspace to A16 (A16 address space), A24 (A24 address space), or A32 (A32 address space).

# **Examples**

Create the VISA-VXI object vv associated with a VXI chassis with index 0, and a Keysight E1432A digitizer with logical address 130.

```
vv = visa('keysight','VXI0::130::INSTR');
fopen(vv)
```

Use memmap to map 16 bytes in the A16 address space.

```
memmap(vv,'A16',0,16)
```

Read the first and second instrument registers.

```
reg1 = mempeek(vv,0,'uint16');
reg2 = mempeek(vv,2,'uint16');
```

Unmap the memory and disconnect vv from the instrument.

```
memunmap(vv)
fclose(vv)
```

#### Tips

Before you can map memory, obj must be connected to the instrument with the fopen function. A connected interface object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt to map memory while obj is not connected to the instrument.

To unmap the memory, use the memunmap function. If memory is mapped and fclose is called, the memory is unmapped before the object is disconnected from the instrument.

The MappedMemorySize property returns the size of the memory space mapped. You must map the memory space before using the mempoke or mempeek function.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

#### visa object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with a visa object will be removed. To access a VISA resource, use a visadev object with its functions and properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### See Also

fopen | fclose | mempeek | mempoke | memunmap | MappedMemorySize | Status

# mempeek

(To be removed) Low-level memory read from VXI register

**Note** This visa object function will be removed in a future release. Use visadev object functions instead. For more information, see "Compatibility Considerations".

## Syntax

```
out = mempeek(obj,offset)
out = mempeek(obj,offset,'precision')
```

## **Arguments**

obj A VISA-VXI or VISA-GPIB-VXI object.

offset The offset in the mapped memory space from which the data is read.

'precision' The number of bits to read from the memory address.

out An array containing the returned value.

## **Description**

out = mempeek(obj,offset) reads a uint8 value from the mapped memory space specified by
offset for the object obj. The value is returned to out.

out = mempeek(obj,offset,'precision') reads the number of bits specified by precision, from the mapped memory space specified by offset. precision can be uint8, uint16, or uint32, which instructs mempeek to read 8-, 16-, or 32-bit values, respectively. precision can also be single, which instructs mempeek to read single precision values.

# **Examples**

Create the VISA-VXI object vv associated with a VXI chassis with index 0, and a Keysight E1432A digitizer with logical address 130.

```
vv = visa('keysight','VXI0::130::INSTR');
fopen(vv)
```

Use memmap to map 16 bytes in the A16 address space.

```
memmap(vv,'A16',0,16)
```

Perform a low-level read of the first and second instrument registers.

Unmap the memory and disconnect vv from the instrument.

memunmap(vv)
fclose(vv)

#### Tips

Before you can read from the VXI register, obj must be connected to the instrument with the fopen function. A connected interface object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt a read operation while obj is not connected to the instrument.

You must map the memory space using the memmap function before using mempeek. The MappedMemorySize property returns the size of the memory space mapped.

offset indicates the offset in the mapped memory space from which the data is read. For example, if the mapped memory space begins at 200H, the offset is 2, and the precision is uint8, then the data is read from memory location 202H. If the precision is uint16, the data is read from 202H and 203H.

To increase speed, mempeek does not return error messages from the instrument.

## **Compatibility Considerations**

#### visa object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with a visa object will be removed. To access a VISA resource, use a visadev object with its functions and properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### See Also

fopen | memmap | mempoke | memunmap | MappedMemorySize | MemoryIncrement | Status

# mempoke

(To be removed) Low-level memory write to VXI register

**Note** This visa object function will be removed in a future release. Use visadev object functions instead. For more information, see "Compatibility Considerations".

## **Syntax**

```
mempoke(obj,data,offset)
mempoke(obj,data,offset,'precision')
```

## **Arguments**

obj A VISA-VXI or VISA-GPIB-VXI object.

data The data written to the memory address.

offset The offset in the mapped memory space to which the data is written.

'*precision*' The number of bits to write to the memory address.

## **Description**

mempoke(obj,data,offset) writes the uint8 value specified by data to the mapped memory address specified by offset for the object obj.

mempoke(obj,data,offset,'precision') writes data using the number of bits specified by *precision*. *precision* can be uint8, uint16, or uint32, which instructs mempoke to write data as 8-, 16-, or 32-bit values, respectively. *precision* can also be single, which instructs mempoke to write data as single-precision values.

# **Examples**

Create the VISA-VXI object vv associated with a VXI chassis with index 0, and a Keysight E1432A digitizer with logical address 130.

```
vv = visa('keysight','VXI0::130::INSTR');
fopen(vv)
```

Use memmap to map 16 bytes in the A16 address space.

```
memmap(vv,'A16',0,16)
```

Perform a low-level write to the fourth instrument register, which has an offset of 6.

```
mempoke(vv,45056,6,'uint16')
```

Unmap the memory and disconnect vv from the instrument.

```
memunmap(vv)
fclose(vv)
```

#### **Tips**

Before you can write to the VXI register, obj must be connected to the instrument with the fopen function. A connected interface object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt a write operation while obj is not connected to the instrument.

You must map the memory space using the memmap function before using mempoke. The MappedMemorySize property returns the size of the memory space mapped.

offset indicates the offset in the mapped memory space to which the data is written. For example, if the mapped memory space begins at 200H, the offset is 2, and the precision is uint8, then the data is written to memory location 202H. If the precision is uint16, the data is written to 202H and 203H.

To increase speed, mempoke does not return error messages from the instrument.

## **Compatibility Considerations**

#### visa object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with a visa object will be removed. To access a VISA resource, use a visadev object with its functions and properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### See Also

fopen | memmap | mempeek | MappedMemorySize | MemoryIncrement | Status

## memread

(To be removed) High-level memory read from VXI register

**Note** This visa object function will be removed in a future release. Use visadev object functions instead. For more information, see "Compatibility Considerations".

## **Syntax**

```
out = memread(obj)
out = memread(obj,offset)
out = memread(obj,offset,'precision')
out = memread(obj,offset,'precision','adrspace')
out = memread(obj,offset,'precision','adrspace',size)
```

#### **Arguments**

obj A VISA-VXI or VISA-GPIB-VXI object.
offset Offset for the memory address space.

'precision' The number of bits to read from the memory address.

'adrspace' The memory address space.

offset Offset for the memory address space.
size The size of the data block to read.
out An array containing the returned value.

# **Description**

out = memread(obj) reads a uint8 value from the A16 address space with an offset of 0 for the object obj.

out = memread(obj,offset) reads a uint8 value from the A16 address space with an offset specified by offset. You must specify offset as a decimal value.

out = memread(obj,offset,'precision') reads the number of bits specified by precision from the A16 address space. precision can be uint8, uint16, or uint32, which instructs memread to read 8-, 16-, or 32-bit values, respectively. precision can also be single, which instructs memread to read single-precision values.

out = memread(obj,offset,'precision','adrspace') reads the specified number of bits from the address space specified by adrspace. adrspace can be A16, A24, or A32. The MemorySpace property indicates which VXI address spaces are used by the instrument.

out = memread(obj,offset,'precision','adrspace',size) reads a block of data with a size specified by size.

#### **Examples**

Create the VISA-VXI object vv associated with a VXI chassis with index 0, and a Keysight E1432A digitizer with logical address 130.

```
vv = visa('keysight','VXI0::130::INSTR');
fopen(vv)
```

Perform a high-level read of the first instrument register.

Perform a high-level read of the next three instrument registers.

Disconnect vv from the instrument.

fclose(vv)

## **Tips**

Before you can read data from the VXI register, obj must be connected to the instrument with the fopen function. A connected interface object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt to read memory while obj is not connected to the instrument.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

#### visa object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with a visa object will be removed. To access a VISA resource, use a visadev object with its functions and properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### See Also

fopen | mempeek | memwrite | MemoryIncrement | MemorySpace | Status

# memunmap

(To be removed) Unmap memory for low-level memory read and write operations

**Note** This visa object function will be removed in a future release. Use visadev object functions instead. For more information, see "Compatibility Considerations".

## **Syntax**

```
memunmap(obj)
```

## **Arguments**

obj A VISA-VXI or VISA-GPIB-VXI object.

## **Description**

memunmap(obj) unmaps memory space previously mapped by the memmap function.

## **Examples**

Create the VISA-VXI object vv associated with a VXI chassis with index 0, and a Keysight E1432A digitizer with logical address 130.

```
vv = visa('keysight','VXI0::130::INSTR');
fopen(vv)

Map 16 bytes in the A16 address space.

memmap(vv,'A16',0,16)

Read the first and second instrument registers.

reg1 = mempeek(vv,0,'uint16');
reg2 = mempeek(vv,2,'uint16');

Use memunmap to unmap the memory, and disconnect vv from the instrument.

memunmap(vv)
fclose(vv)
```

#### **Tips**

When the memory space is unmapped, the MappedMemorySize property is set to 0 and the MappedMemoryBase property is set to 0H.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

#### visa object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with a visa object will be removed. To access a VISA resource, use a visadev object with its functions and properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### See Also

memmap | mempeek | mempoke | MappedMemoryBase | MappedMemorySize

# memwrite

(To be removed) High-level memory write to VXI register

**Note** This visa object function will be removed in a future release. Use visadev object functions instead. For more information, see "Compatibility Considerations".

## Syntax

```
memwrite(obj,data)
memwrite(obj,data,offset)
memwrite(obj,data,offset,'precision')
memwrite(obj,data,offset,'precision','adrspace')
```

#### **Arguments**

obj A VISA-VXI or VISA-GPIB-VXI object.

data The data written to the memory address.

offset Offset for the memory address space.

'*precision*' The number of bits to write to the memory address.

'adrspace' The memory address space.

# **Description**

memwrite(obj,data) writes the uint8 value specified by data to the A16 address space with an offset of 0 for the object obj. data can be an array of uint8 values.

memwrite(obj,data,offset) writes data to the A16 address space with an offset specified by offset. offset is specified as a decimal value.

memwrite(obj,data,offset,'precision') writes data with precision specified by precision. precision can be uint8, uint16, or uint32, which instructs memwrite to write data as 8-, 16-, or 32-bit values, respectively. precision can also be single, which instructs memwrite to write data as single-precision values.

memwrite(obj,data,offset,'precision','adrspace') writes data to the address space specified by adrspace. adrspace can be A16, A24, or A32. The MemorySpace property indicates which VXI address spaces are used by the instrument.

# **Examples**

Create the VISA-VXI object vv associated with a VXI chassis with index 0, and a Keysight E1432A digitizer with logical address 130.

```
vv = visa('keysight','VXI0::130::INSTR');
fopen(vv)
```

Perform a high-level write to the fourth instrument register, which has an offset of 6.

```
memwrite(vv,45056,6,'uint16','A16')
Disconnect vv from the instrument.
fclose(vv)
```

## **Tips**

Before you can write to the VXI register, obj must be connected to the instrument with the fopen function. A connected interface object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt a write operation while obj is not connected to the instrument.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

#### visa object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with a visa object will be removed. To access a VISA resource, use a visadev object with its functions and properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### See Also

fopen | memread | mempoke | MemoryIncrement | MemorySpace | Status

# methods

Class method names and descriptions

## **Syntax**

```
m = methods('classname')
m = methods(object)
m = methods(...,'-full')
```

## **Arguments**

m Cell array of character vectors
'class name' Class whose methods are returned

object An instrument object or device group object
'-full' Request to return full descriptions of methods

## **Description**

m = methods('classname') returns, in a cell array of character vectors, the names of all methods
for the class with the name classname.

m = methods(object) returns the names of all methods for the class of which object is an
instance.

m = methods(...,'-full') returns full descriptions of the methods in the class, including inheritance information and, for Java® methods, also attributes and signatures. Duplicate method names with different signatures are not removed. If classname represents a MATLAB class, then inheritance information is returned only if that class has been instantiated.

## **Tips**

methods differs from what in that the methods from all method directories are reported together, and methods removes all duplicate method names from the result list. methods will also return the methods for a Java class.

#### See Also

methodsview | what | which | help

# midedit

(To be removed) Open graphical tool for creating and editing MATLAB instrument driver

**Note** This function will be removed in a future release. Use the Instrument Control Toolbox™ Support Package for IVI® and VXIplug&play Drivers instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

#### **Syntax**

```
midedit
midedit('driver')
```

## **Arguments**

'driver'

The name of a MATLAB instrument driver.

## **Description**

midedit opens the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor, which is a graphical tool for creating and editing instrument drivers.

midedit('driver') opens the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor for the specified instrument driver. The default extension for driver is .mdd. Note that driver can include a relative partial pathname.

The editor consists of two main parts: the navigation pane and the detail pane. The navigation pane lists the driver-specific properties and functions in a tree view, while the detail pane allows you to configure and document the properties and functions.

midedit may also be used to import VXIplug&play or IVI drivers. With midedit open, select **Import** from the **File** menu. The import process creates a new MATLAB Instrument Driver based on the VXIplug&play or IVI driver. This allows you to customize the behavior of device objects that use the VXIplug&play or IVI driver.

For details and examples on the MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor, see "MATLAB Instrument Driver Editor Overview" on page 18-2.

**Note** MIDEDIT is unable to open MDDs with non-ascii characters either in their name or path on Mac platforms.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

#### To be removed

Not recommended starting in R2022a

This function will be removed in a future release.

For existing MATLAB instrument drivers created with makemid or midedit, the icdevice function still works. For IVI and VXIplug&play drivers, use ividev with one of the supported drivers in the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers.

The midedit and midtest functions launch apps to edit and test MATLAB instrument drivers. For existing instrument driver files, you can use a text editor to make edits, if necessary. These apps are not needed for the ividev interface.

#### See Also

icdevice | makemid | midtest

# midtest

(To be removed) Open graphical tool for testing MATLAB instrument driver

**Note** This function will be removed in a future release. Use the Instrument Control Toolbox™ Support Package for IVI® and VXIplug&play Drivers instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

## **Syntax**

```
midtest
midtest('file')
```

## **Arguments**

'file' File containing the test to be used by the MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool

## **Description**

midtest opens the MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool. The MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool provides a graphical environment for creating a test to verify the functionality of a MATLAB instrument driver.

The MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool provides a way to

- Verify property behavior
- · Verify function behavior
- · Save the test as MATLAB code
- Export the test results to MATLAB workspace, figure window, MAT-file, or the MATLAB Variables editor
- Save test results as an HTML page

midtest('file') opens the MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool with the test loaded from file.

For a full description of the tool with examples, see "Instrument Driver Testing Tool Overview" on page 19-2.

# **Examples**

```
midtest('test.xml')
```

opens the MATLAB Instrument Driver Testing Tool with the test test.xml loaded.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

#### To be removed

Not recommended starting in R2022a

This function will be removed in a future release.

For existing MATLAB instrument drivers created with makemid or midedit, the icdevice function still works. For IVI and VXI*plug&play* drivers, use ividev with one of the supported drivers in the Instrument Control Toolbox Support Package for IVI and VXIplug&play Drivers.

The midedit and midtest functions launch apps to edit and test MATLAB instrument drivers. For existing instrument driver files, you can use a text editor to make edits, if necessary. These apps are not needed for the ividev interface.

#### **See Also**

icdevice | makemid | midedit

# obj2mfile

Convert instrument object to MATLAB code

## **Syntax**

```
obj2mfile(obj,'filename')
obj2mfile(obj,'filename','syntax')
obj2mfile(obj,'filename','mode')
obj2mfile(obj,'filename','syntax','mode')
obj2mfile(obj,'filename','reuse')
obj2mfile(obj,'filename','syntax','mode','reuse')
```

## **Arguments**

obj	An instrument object or an array of instrument objects.
'filename'	The name of the file that the MATLAB code is written to. You can specify the full pathname. If an extension is not specified, the .m extension is used.
'syntax'	Syntax of the converted MATLAB code. By default, the set syntax is used. If dot is specified, then the dot notation is used.
'mode'	Specifies whether all properties are converted to code, or only modified properties are converted to code.
'reuse'	Specifies whether existing object is reused or new object is created.

# **Description**

obj2mfile(obj,'filename') converts obj to the equivalent MATLAB code using the set syntax and saves the code to filename. Only those properties not set to their default value are saved.

obj2mfile(obj,'filename','syntax') converts obj to the equivalent MATLAB code using the syntax specified by syntax. You can specify syntax to be set or dot. set uses the set syntax, while dot uses the dot notation.

obj2mfile(obj, 'filename', 'mode') converts the properties specified by mode. You can specify mode to be all or modified. If mode is all, then all properties are converted to code. If mode is modified, then only those properties not set to their default value are converted to code.

obj2mfile(obj,'filename','syntax','mode') converts the specified properties to code using the specified syntax.

obj2mfile(obj,'filename','reuse') check for an existing instrument object, obj, before creating obj. If reuse is reuse, the object is used if it exists, otherwise the object is created. If reuse is create, the object is always created. By default, reuse is reuse.

An object will be reused if the existing object has the same constructor arguments as the object about to be created, and if their Type and Tag property values are the same.

obj2mfile(obj,'filename','syntax','mode','reuse') check for an existing instrument object, obj, before creating obj. If reuse is reuse, the object is used if it exists, otherwise the object is created. If reuse is create, the object is always created. By default, reuse is reuse.

An object will be reused if the existing object has the same constructor arguments as the object about to be created, and if their Type and Tag property values are the same.

## **Examples**

Suppose you create the GPIB object g, and configure several property values.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
set(g,'Tag','MyGPIB object','EOSMode','read','EOSCharCode','CR')
set(g,'UserData',{'test',2,magic(10)})
```

The following command writes MATLAB code to the files MyGPIB.m and MyGPIB.mat.

```
obj2mfile(g,'MyGPIB.m','dot')
```

MyGPIB.m contains code that recreates the commands shown above using the dot notation for all properties that have their default values changed. Because UserData is set to a cell array of values, this property appears in MyGPIB.m as obj1.UserData = userdata1.

```
It is saved in MyGPIB.mat as userdata = {'test', 2, magic(10)}.
```

To recreate q in the MATLAB workspace using a new variable, gnew,

```
gnew = MyGPIB;
```

The associated MAT-file, MyGPIB.mat, is automatically run and UserData is assigned the appropriate values.

```
gnew.UserData
```

```
ans =

1×3 cell array

{'test'} {[2]} {10×10 double}
```

# **Tips**

You can recreate a saved instrument object by typing the name of the file at the MATLAB Command Window.

If the UserData property is not empty or if any of the callback properties are set to a cell array of values or a function handle, then the data stored in those properties is written to a MAT-file when the instrument object is converted and saved. The MAT-file has the same name as the file containing the instrument object code (see the example below).

Read-only properties are restored with their default values. For example, suppose an instrument object is saved with a Status property value of open. When the object is recreated, Status is set to its default value of closed.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For

information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

## **See Also**

propinfo

# oscilloscope

Create Quick-Control Oscilloscope object

## **Syntax**

```
myScope = oscilloscope()
connect(myScope);
set(myScope, 'P1',V1,'P2',V2,...)
waveformArray = readWaveform(myScope);
```

# **Description**

The Quick-Control Oscilloscope can be used for any oscilloscope that uses VISA and an underlying IVI-C driver. However, you do not have to directly deal with the underlying driver. You can also use it for Tektronix oscilloscopes. This is an easy to use oscilloscope object.

```
myScope = oscilloscope() creates an instance of the scope named myScope.
```

connect(myScope); connects to the scope.

```
set(myScope, 'P1', V1, 'P2', V2,...) assigns the specified property values.
```

waveformArray = readWaveform(myScope); acquires a waveform from the scope.

For information on the prerequisites for using oscilloscope, see "Quick-Control Oscilloscope Requirements" on page 13-18.

The Quick-Control Oscilloscope oscilloscope function can use the following special functions, in addition to standard functions such as connect and disconnect.

Function	Description		
autoSetup	Automatically configures the instrument based on the input signal.		
	<pre>autoSetup(myScope);</pre>		
disableChannel	Disables oscilloscope's channels.		
	<pre>disableChannel('Channel1'); disableChannel({'Channel1','Channel2'});</pre>		
enableChannel	Enables oscilloscope's channels from which waveforms will be retrieved.  enableChannel('Channell');		
	enableChannel({'Channel1','Channel2'});		
drivers	Retrieves a list of available oscilloscope instrument drivers. Returns a list of available drivers with their supported instrument models.		
	<pre>driverlist = drivers(myScope);</pre>		

Function	Description	
resources	Retrieves a list of available resources of instruments. It returns a list of available VISA resource strings when using an IVI-C scope. It returns the interface resource information when using a Tektronix scope.	
	<pre>res = resources(myScope);</pre>	
configureChannel	Returns or sets specified oscilloscope control on selected channel. Possible controls are:	
	• 'VerticalCoupling'	
	• 'VerticalOffset'	
	• 'VeticalRange'	
	• 'ProbeAttenuation'	
	<pre>value = configureChannel(myScope, 'Channel1', 'VerticalOffset configureChannel(myScope, 'Channel1', 'VerticalCoupling', 'AC</pre>	
getVerticalCoupling	Returns the value of how the oscilloscope couples the input signal for the selected channel name as a MATLAB character vector. Possible values returned are 'AC', 'DC', and 'GND'.	
	<pre>VC = getVerticalCoupling(myScope, 'Channel1');</pre>	
getVerticalOffset	Returns location of the center of the range for the selected channel name as a MATLAB character vector. The units are volts.	
	<pre>V0 = getVerticalOffset(myScope, 'Channell');</pre>	
getVerticalRange	Returns absolute value of the input range the oscilloscope can acquire for selected channel name as a MATLAB character vector. The units are volts.	
	<pre>VR = getVerticalRange(myScope, 'Channel1');</pre>	
readWaveform	Returns the waveforms displayed on the scope screen. Retrieves the waveforms from enabled channels.	
	<pre>w = readWaveform(myScope);</pre>	
setVerticalCoupling	Specifies how the oscilloscope couples the input signal for the selected channel name as a MATLAB character vector. Valid values are 'AC', 'DC', and 'GND'.	
	<pre>setVerticalCoupling(myScope, 'Channel1', 'AC');</pre>	
setVerticalOffset	Specifies location of the center of the range for the selected channel name as a MATLAB character vector. For example, to acquire a sine wave that spans between 0.0 and 10.0 volts, set this attribute to 5.0 volts.	
	<pre>setVerticalOffset(myScope, 'Channell', 5);</pre>	
setVerticalRange	Specifies the absolute value of the input range the oscilloscope can acquire for the selected channel name as a MATLAB character vector. The units are volts.	
	<pre>setVerticalRange(myScope, 'Channell', 10);</pre>	

# **Arguments**

The Quick-Control Oscilloscope  ${\tt oscilloscope}$  function can use the following properties.

Property	Description		
ChannelNames	Read-only property that provides available channel names in a cell array.		
ChannelsEnabled	Read-only property that provides currently enabled channel names in a cell array.		
Status	Read-only property that indicates the communication status. Valid values are open or closed.		
Timeout	Get or set a timeout value. Value cannot be a negative number. Default is 10 seconds.		
AcquisitionTime	Use to get or set acquisition time value. Used to control the time in seconds that corresponds to the record length. Value must be a positive, finite number.		
AcquisitionStartDelay	Use to set or get the length of time in seconds from the trigger event to first point in waveform record. If positive, the first point in the waveform occurs after the trigger. If negative, the first point in the waveform occurs before the trigger.		
TriggerMode	Use to set the triggering behavior. Values are:		
	'normal' - the oscilloscope waits until the trigger the user specifies occurs.		
	'auto' - the oscilloscope automatically triggers if the configured trigger does not occur within the oscilloscope's timeout period.		
TriggerSlope	Use to set or get trigger slope value. Valid values are falling or rising.		
TriggerLevel	Specifies the voltage threshold in volts for the trigger control.		
TriggerSource	Specifies the source the oscilloscope monitors for a trigger. It can be channel name or other values.		
Resource	Set up before connecting to instrument. Set with value of your instrument's resource string, for example:		
	<pre>set(myScope, 'Resource',    'TCPIP0::a-m6104a-004598::inst0::INSTR');</pre>		
DriverDetectionMode	Optionally used to set up criteria for connection. Valid values are auto or manual. Default is auto. auto means you do not have to set a driver name before connecting to an instrument.		
	If set to manual, a driver name must be provided before connecting.		
Driver	Use only if set DriverDetectionMode to manual. Then use to give driver name. Only use if driver name cannot be figured out programmatically.		

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

## **Examples**

Create an instance of the scope called myScope. myScope = oscilloscope() Discover available resources. A resource string is an identifier to the instrument. You need to set it before connecting to the instrument. availableResources = resources(myScope) If multiple resources are available, use your VISA utility to verify the correct resource and set it. set(myScope, 'Resource', 'TCPIP0::a-m6104a-004598::inst0::INSTR'); Connect to the scope. connect(myScope); Automatically configure the scope based on the input signal. autoSetup(myScope); Configure the oscilloscope. % Set the acquisition time to 0.01 second. set(myScope, 'AcquisitionTime', 0.01); % Set the acquisition to collect 2000 data points. set(myScope, 'WaveformLength', 2000); % Set the trigger mode to normal. set(myScope, 'TriggerMode', 'normal'); % Set the trigger level to 0.1 volt. set(myScope, 'TriggerLevel', 0.1); % Enable channel 1. enableChannel(myScope, 'Channel1'); % Set the vertical coupling to AC. setVerticalCoupling (myScope, 'Channel1', 'AC'); % Set the vertical range to 5.0. setVerticalRange (myScope, 'Channel1', 5.0); Communicate with the instrument. For example, read a waveform. % Acquire the waveform. waveformArray = readWaveform(myScope);

% Plot the waveform and assign labels for the plot.

```
plot(waveformArray);
xlabel('Samples');
ylabel('Voltage');
```

## See Also

**Topics** "The Quick-Control Interfaces" on page 13-17

#### Introduced in R2011b

# propinfo

Instrument object property information

## **Syntax**

```
out = propinfo(obj)
out = propinfo(obj,'PropertyName')
```

## **Arguments**

obj	An instrument object.		
'PropertyName'	A property name or cell array of property names.		
out	A structure containing property information.		

# **Description**

out = propinfo(obj) returns the structure out with field names given by the property names for obj. Each property name in out contains the fields shown below.

Field Name	Description
Туре	The property data type. Possible values are any, ASCII value, callback, instrument range value, double, character vector, and struct.
Constraint	The type of constraint on the property value. Possible values are ASCII value, bounded, callback, instrument range value, enum, and none.
ConstraintValue	Property value constraint. The constraint can be a range of valid values or a list of valid character vector values.
DefaultValue	The property default value.
ReadOnly	The condition under which a property is read-only. Possible values are always, never, whileOpen, and whileRecording.
Interface Specific	If the property is interface-specific, a $\bf 1$ is returned. If a $\bf 0$ is returned, the property is supported for all interfaces.

out = propinfo(obj,'PropertyName') returns the structure out for the property specified by PropertyName. The field names of out are given in the table shown above. If PropertyName is a cell array of property names, a cell array of structures is returned for each property.

# **Examples**

To return all property information for the GPIB object g,

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
out = propinfo(g);
```

To display all the property information for the InputBufferSize property,

#### **Tips**

You can get help for instrument object properties with the instrhelp function.

You can display all instrument object property names and their current values using the get function. You can display all configurable properties and their possible values using the set function.

When specifying property names, you can do so without regard to case, and you can make use of property name completion. For example, if  $\mathbf{g}$  is a GPIB object, then the following commands are all valid.

```
out = propinfo(g,'EOSMode');
out = propinfo(g,'eosmode');
out = propinfo(g,'EOSM');
```

#### See Also

instrhelp|set|get

# query

(To be removed) Write text to instrument, and read data from instrument

**Note** This serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, and gpib object function will be removed in a future release. Use serialport, bluetooth, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, and visadev object functions instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

## **Syntax**

```
out = query(obj,'cmd')
out = query(obj,'cmd','wformat')
out = query(obj,'cmd','wformat','rformat')
[out,count] = query(...)
[out,count,msg] = query(...)
[out,count,msg,datagramaddress,datagramport] = query(...)
```

## **Arguments**

obj An interface object.

'cmd' String that is written to the instrument.

'wformat' Format for written data.
'rformat' Format for read data.

out Contains data read from the instrument.

count The number of values read.

msg A message indicating if the read operation was unsuccessful.

datagramaddress The datagram address. datagramport The datagram port.

# **Description**

out = query(obj,'cmd') writes the string cmd to the instrument connected to obj. The data read
from the instrument is returned to out. By default, the %s\n format is used for cmd, and the %c
format is used for the returned data.

out = query(obj,'cmd','wformat') writes the string cmd using the format specified by
wformat.

wformat is a C language conversion specification. Conversion specifications involve the % character and the conversion characters d, i, o, u, x, X, f, e, E, g, G, c, and s. Refer to the sprintf file I/O format specifications or a C manual for more information.

out = query(obj,'cmd','wformat','rformat') writes the string cmd using the format
specified by wformat. The data read from the instrument is returned to out using the format
specified by rformat.

*rformat* is a C language conversion specification. The supported conversion specifications are identical to those supported by *wformat*.

```
[out, count] = query(...) returns the number of values read to count.
```

[out, count, msg] = query(...) returns a warning message to msg if the read operation did not complete successfully.

[out,count,msg,datagramaddress,datagramport] = query(...) returns the remote address and port from which the datagram originated. These values are returned only when using a UDP object.

## **Examples**

This example creates the GPIB object g, connects g to a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope, writes and reads text data using query, and then disconnects g from the instrument.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
fopen(g)
idn = query(g,'*IDN?')
idn =
TEKTRONIX,TDS 210,0,CF:91.1CT FV:v1.16 TDS2CM:CMV:v1.04
fclose(g)
```

## **Tips**

Before you can write or read data, obj must be connected to the instrument with the fopen function. A connected interface object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt to perform a query operation while obj is not connected to the instrument.

query operates only in synchronous mode, and blocks the command line until the write and read operations complete execution.

Using query is equivalent to using the fprintf and fgets functions. The rules for completing a write operation are described in the fprintf reference pages. The rules for completing a read operation are described in the fgets reference pages.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

#### gpib object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

Use of this function with a gpib object will be removed. To access a GPIB instrument, use the VISA-GPIB interface with a visadev object, its functions, and its properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### tcpip, visa, and serial object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with the tcpip (with NetworkRole set to server), visa, and serial interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information	
tcpip	tcpserver	"Transition Your Code to tcpserver Interface" on page 7- 43	
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31	
serial	serialport	"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26	

#### Bluetooth, tcpip, and udp object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2020b

Use of this function with the Bluetooth, tcpip (with NetworkRole set to client), and udp interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
Bluetooth	bluetooth (case-sensitive)	"Transition Your Code to bluetooth Interface"
tcpip	tcpclient	"Transition Your Code to tcpclient Interface" on page 7- 36
udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18

#### serial object interface is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2019b

Use of this function with a serial object is not recommended. To access a serial port, use a serialport instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

fopen | fprintf | fgets | sprintf

**Properties** 

## read

Read data from serial port

## **Syntax**

```
data = read(device,count,datatype)
```

## **Description**

data = read(device,count,datatype) reads the number of values specified by count in the
form specified by datatype from the serial port connection device. For all numeric datatype
types, data is a row vector of double values. For the text type datatype values of "char" or
"string", data is of the specified type. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the specified
number of values are read or a timeout occurs.

## **Examples**

#### Write and Read Data with Serial Port Device

Create a connection to a serial port device. In this example, the serial port at COM3 is connected to a loopback device.

```
ans = 1×5
1 2 3 4 5
```

#### **Input Arguments**

#### device — Serial port connection

serialport object

Serial port connection, specified as a serial port object.

Example: read(device, 20, "uint32") reads data from the serial port connection device.

#### count — Number of values to read

numeric

Number of values to read, specified as a positive integer value. If count is greater than the NumBytesAvailable property of device, the function suspends MATLAB execution and waits until the specified amount of data is read or a timeout occurs.

Example: read(device, 5, "uint32") reads five values of uint32 data. Each uint32 value is four bytes, for a total of 20 bytes read.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

#### datatype — Size and format of each value

```
"uint8" | "int8" | "uint16" | "int16" | "uint32" | "int32" | "uint64" | "int64" | "single" | "double" | "char" | "string"
```

Size and format of each value, specified as a character vector or string. datatype determines the number of bytes to read for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

Example: read(device, 5, "int16") reads five values of uint16 data. Each uint16 value is two bytes, for a total of 10 bytes read.

Data Types: char | string

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

readbinblock | readline | serialport

#### Introduced in R2019b

## read

Read data from remote host over TCP/IP

## **Syntax**

```
data = read(t)
data = read(t,count)
data = read(t,count,datatype)
```

## **Description**

data = read(t) reads all available numeric or ASCII data from the remote host specified by the
TCP/IP client t and returns the data as a row or column vector of doubles or text. The number of
values read is specified by the NumBytesAvailable property of t. The function suspends MATLAB
execution until the specified number of values are read or a timeout occurs.

```
data = read(t,count) reads count number of values and returns the data.
```

data = read(t,count,datatype) reads count number of values in the form specified by datatype and returns the data. The datatype argument is a character vector of a standard MATLAB data type.

## **Examples**

#### Write and Read uint8 Data from Remote Host

Create a TCP/IP client connection called t, connecting to a TCP/IP echo server with port 4000. To do so, you must have an echotcpip server running on port 4000.

The write function synchronously writes data to the remote host connected to t. First specify the data and then write the data. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the specified number of values is written to the remote host.

Assign 10 bytes of uint8 data to the variable data.

```
data = uint8(1:10)
```

```
data = 1 \times 10 uint8 row vector

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
```

View the data.

#### whos data

Name	Size	Bytes	Class	Attributes
data	1×10	10	uint8	

Write data to the echo server.

```
write(t,data)
```

Confirm the success of the writing operation by viewing the NumBytesAvailable property.

#### t.NumBytesAvailable

```
ans = 10
```

Since the client is connected to an echo server, the data you write to the server is returned to the client. Read all the bytes of data available.

#### read(t)

```
ans = 1 \times 10 uint8 row vector
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
```

Using the read function with no arguments reads all available bytes of data from t connected to the remote host and returns the data. The number of values read is determined by the NumBytesAvailable property, which is the number of bytes available in the input buffer.

Close the connection between the TCP/IP client and the remote host by clearing the object. Turn off the echotcpip server.

```
clear t
echotcpip("off")
```

#### Specify Size and Data Type to Read from Remote Host

Create a TCP/IP client connection called t, connecting to a TCP/IP echo server with port 4000. To do so, you must have an echotopip server running on port 4000.

```
echotcpip("on",4000)
t = tcpclient("localhost",4000)

t =
    tcpclient with properties:
    Address: 'localhost'
    Port: 4000
```

```
NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

The write function synchronously writes data to the remote host connected to t. First specify the data and then write the data. The function waits until the specified number of values is written to the remote host.

Assign 10 bytes of data to the variable data.

View the data.

```
whos data
```

```
Name Size Bytes Class Attributes
data 1x10 80 double
```

Write data to the echo server.

```
write(t,data)
```

Confirm the success of the writing operation by viewing the NumBytesAvailable property.

#### t.NumBytesAvailable

```
ans = 80
```

For any read or write operation, the data type is converted to uint8 for the data transfer. After the transfer, the data type reverts to the specified datatype. Since one double equals eight uint8 bytes, there are 80 bytes available.

Since the client is connected to an echo server, the data you write to the server is returned to the client. Read 10 doubles from the server. The object name is always the first argument. The size argument must be the second argument, and datatype must be the third argument.

```
read(t,10,"double") ans = 1 \times 10 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 4 \quad 5 \quad 6 \quad 7 \quad 8 \quad 9 \quad 10
```

Close the connection between the TCP/IP client and the remote host by clearing the object. Turn off the echotcpip server.

```
clear t
echotcpip("off")
```

### **Input Arguments**

#### t — TCP/IP client

tcpclient object

TCP/IP client, specified as a tcpclient object.

Example: read(t) reads all available data from the TCP/IP client t.

#### count — Number of values to read

numeric

Number of values to read, specified as a positive integer value. If count is greater than the NumBytesAvailable property of t, the function suspends MATLAB execution and waits until the specified amount of data is read or a timeout occurs.

Example: read(t,5) reads five values of uint8 data.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

#### datatype — Size and format of each value

```
"double" (default) | "uint8" | "int8" | "uint16" | "int16" | "uint32" | "int32" | "uint64" | "int64" | "single" | "char" | "string"
```

Size and format of each value, specified as a character vector or string. datatype determines the number of bytes to read for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

Example: read(t, 10, "double") reads 10 values of double data.

Data Types: char | string

## **Extended Capabilities**

#### **C/C++ Code Generation**

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

tcpclient | readline | write

#### **Topics**

"Create TCP/IP Client and Configure Settings" on page 7-3

"Write and Read Data over TCP/IP Interface" on page 7-7

#### Introduced in R2014b

## read

Read data sent to TCP/IP server

### **Syntax**

```
data = read(t,count)
data = read(t,count,datatype)
```

## **Description**

data = read(t,count) reads the number of values specified by count sent to the TCP/IP server t from the client connected to it and returns the data as a row or column vector of doubles or text. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the specified number of values is read or a timeout occurs.

data = read(t,count,datatype) reads the number of values specified by count in the form
specified by datatype and returns the data. The datatype argument is a character vector of a
standard MATLAB data type. For all numeric datatype types, data is a row vector of double values.
For the text type datatype values of "char" or "string", data is of the specified type.

### **Examples**

#### Read uint8 Data Sent to TCP/IP Server

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for a client connection request at the specified port and IP address. Then, read data sent to the server from the connected client.

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for connections at localhost and port 4000.

```
server = tcpserver("localhost",4000)
server =
   TCPServer with properties:
        ServerAddress: "127.0.0.1"
            ServerPort: 4000
            Connected: 0
        ClientAddress: ""
            ClientPort: []
   NumBytesAvailable: 0

Show all properties, functions
```

Create a TCP/IP client to connect to your server object using tcpclient. You must specify the same IP address and port number you use to create server.

```
client = tcpclient("localhost",4000)
client =
  tcpclient with properties:
```

```
Address: 'localhost'
Port: 4000
NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

Display the values of the Connected, ClientAddress, and ClientPort properties for server.

#### server

```
server =
  TCPServer with properties:

    ServerAddress: "127.0.0.1"
        ServerPort: 4000
        Connected: 1
        ClientAddress: "127.0.0.1"
        ClientPort: 59357
    NumBytesAvailable: 0

Show all properties, functions
```

The output shows that server successfully accepts a request from client and that client establishes a connection to server.

Write data to the TCP/IP client. Since the client is connected to the server, this data is available in the server. Read the data using the server object.

```
write(client,[4,8,15,16,23,42],"uint8") read(server,server.NumBytesAvailable) ans = 1\times6
4 8 15 16 23 42
```

#### Read String Data Sent to TCP/IP Server

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for a client connection request at the specified port and IP address. Then read data sent to the server from the connected client.

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for connections at localhost and port 4000.

```
server = tcpserver("localhost",4000)
server =
   TCPServer with properties:
        ServerAddress: "127.0.0.1"
              ServerPort: 4000
              Connected: 0
        ClientAddress: ""
        ClientPort: []
```

```
NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

Create a TCP/IP client to connect to your server object using tcpclient. You must specify the same IP address and port number you use to create server.

```
client = tcpclient("localhost",4000)

client =
    tcpclient with properties:

    Address: 'localhost'
        Port: 4000
    NumBytesAvailable: 0

Show all properties, functions
```

Display the values of the Connected, ClientAddress, and ClientPort properties for server.

#### server

```
server =
  TCPServer with properties:

    ServerAddress: "127.0.0.1"
        ServerPort: 4000
        Connected: 1
    ClientAddress: "127.0.0.1"
        ClientPort: 65440
    NumBytesAvailable: 0

Show all properties, functions
```

The output shows that server successfully accepts a request from client and that client establishes a connection to server.

Write data to the TCP/IP client. Since the client is connected to the server, this data is available in the server. Read the first five values of string data using the server object.

```
write(client, "helloworld", "string")
read(server, 5, "string")
ans =
"hello"
```

If you read five more values, you receive the remaining string data.

```
read(server,5,"string")
ans =
"world"
```

### **Input Arguments**

#### t — TCP/IP server

tcpserver object

TCP/IP server, specified as a tcpserver object.

Example: read(t,5) reads data sent to the TCP/IP server t from the client connected to it.

#### count — Number of values to read

numeric

Number of values to read, specified as a positive integer value. If count is greater than the NumBytesAvailable property of t, the function suspends MATLAB execution and waits until it reads the specified amount of data or a timeout occurs.

Example: read(device, 2) reads two values of uint8 data.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

#### datatype — Size and format of each value

```
"uint8" (default) | "int8" | "uint16" | "int16" | "uint32" | "int32" | "uint64" | "int64" | "single" | "double" | "char" | "string"
```

Size and format of each value, specified as a character vector or string. datatype determines the number of bytes to read for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

Example: read(t,1,"uint16") reads one value of uint16 data. Each uint16 value is two bytes.

Data Types: char | string

### See Also

tcpserver | readline | write

Introduced in R2021a

## read

Read data from UDP socket

### **Syntax**

```
data = read(u,count)
data = read(u,count,datatype)
```

### **Description**

data = read(u,count) reads the specified number of values from the udpport socket u, using the
default precision of uint8 to interpret numeric data. For a byte-type udpport object u, the result
data is a row vector of doubles. For a datagram-type udpport object u, the result data is a
Datagram structure or array of structures.

data = read(u,count,datatype) reads from the udpport socket u, with the precision specified
by datatype. For a numeric datatype, the values are returned as double. For datatype of "char"
or "string", the results are the specified type.

### **Examples**

#### **Read Byte Data from UDP Socket**

This example shows how to read byte data.

Read 5 values of uint32 data from the udpport socket.

```
u = udpport("IPV4");
data = read(u,5,"uint32");
```

The 5 values comprise a total of 20 bytes of uint32 data at the udpport socket. In MATLAB, data is an array of doubles.

#### Read Datagram Data from UDP Socket

This example shows how to read datagram data.

Turn echoudp on at port 3030, then create a datagram-type udpport object with an OutputDatagramSize of 5.

```
echoudp("on",3030);
u = udpport("datagram","OutputDatagramSize",5);
```

Send 20 bytes of uint8 data to the echoudp port.

```
write(u,1:20, "uint8", "127.0.0.1", 3030);
```

Because OutputDatagramSize is set to 5, the 20 bytes are sent as 4 datagram packets, each containing 5 bytes of data.

Verify that 4 datagrams were received from the echo server.

```
u.NumDatagramsAvailable
ans =
     4
Read the 4 datagrams received from the echo server.
data = read(u,u.NumDatagramsAvailable,"uint8")
data =
     1×4 Datagram array with properties:
     Data
     SenderAddress
```

The first datagram contains the values 1-5 (5 bytes), the second 6-10, the third 11-15, and the fourth 16-20.

View the third datagram.

SenderPort

## **Input Arguments**

#### u — UDP socket

udpport object

UDP socket, specified as a udpport object.

```
Example: u = udpport
Data Types: udpport object
```

#### count — Number of values or datagrams to read from udpport socket

numeric

Number of values or datagrams to read from udpport socket, specified as a numeric value. You cannot specify count as 0, Inf, or NaN. If count is greater than the NumBytesAvailable or NumDatagramsAvailable property of the udpport object, then the function waits until the specified number of values or datagrams are read or until timeout occurs.

```
Example: 16

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64
```

#### datatype — MATLAB data type for each value

"uint8" (default) | string | character vector

MATLAB data type for each value, specified as a string or character vector. datatype specifies the number of bits to read for each value, and the interpretation of those bits as a MATLAB data type. Allowed values are "int8", "int16", "int32", "int64", "uint8", "uint16", "uint32", "uint64", "double", "single", "char", and "string".

Example: "uint16"

Data Types: char | string

### **Output Arguments**

#### data — Values read from udpport socket

numeric vector | string | character vector | datagram vector

Values read from the udpport socket. For a byte-type udpport object, the result is a string, character vector or 1-by-N row vector of doubles where N is the number of values specified by count. For a datagram-type udpport object, the result is a Datagram structure or array of structures. If no data is returned, the data is empty.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

udpport | readline | write | writeline

Introduced in R2020b

## read

Read data from VISA resource

### **Syntax**

```
data = read(v,count)
data = read(v,count,datatype)
```

## Description

data = read(v,count) reads the number of values specified by count from the VISA resource v and returns the data as a row or column vector of doubles or text. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the specified number of values is read or a timeout occurs.

data = read(v,count,datatype) reads the number of values specified by count in the form
specified by datatype and returns the data. The datatype argument is a character vector of a
standard MATLAB data type. For all numeric datatype types, data is a row vector of double values.
For the text type datatype values of "char" or "string", data is of the specified type.

### **Examples**

#### Read uint32 Data from VISA Resource

Create a connection to a VISA resource. This example shows a connection to a device with the alias COM4 using the VISA-Serial interface.

```
v = visadev("COM4");
```

Read five values of uint32 data from the VISA resource v.

```
data = read(v,5,"uint32");
```

The five values are a total of 20 bytes of uint32 data.

## **Input Arguments**

#### v - VISA resource

visadev object

VISA resource, specified as a visadev object.

Example: read(v,5) reads data from the VISA resource v.

#### count — Number of values to read

numeric

Number of values to read, specified as a positive integer value. If count is greater than the NumBytesAvailable property of v, the function suspends MATLAB execution and waits until it reads the specified amount of data or a timeout occurs.

Example: read(v,2) reads two values of uint8 data.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

### datatype — Size and format of each value

```
"uint8" (default) | "int8" | "uint16" | "int16" | "uint32" | "int32" | "uint64" | "int64" |
"single" | "double" | "char" | "string"
```

Size and format of each value, specified as a character vector or string. datatype determines the number of bytes to read for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

Example: read(v,1,"uint16") reads one value of uint16 data. Each uint16 value is two bytes.

Data Types: char | string

### See Also

visadev|readline|write

Introduced in R2021a

## read

Read binary data from SPI instrument

### **Syntax**

```
A = read(OBJ, SIZE)
```

## **Description**

A = read(OBJ, SIZE) reads the specified number of values, SIZE, from the SPI device connected to interface object, OBJ, and returns to A. OBJ must be a 1-by-1 SPI interface object. By default the 'uint8' precision is used.

The interface object must be connected to the device with the connect function before any data can be read from the device, otherwise an error is returned. A connected interface object has a ConnectionStatus property value of connected.

Available options for SIZE include: N - read at most N values into a column vector. SIZE cannot be set to INF.

The SPI protocol operates in full duplex mode, input and output data transfers happen simultaneously. SPI communication requires N bytes of dummy data to be written into the device for reading N bytes of data from the device. The dummy data written is zeros.

For more information on using the SPI interface and this function, see "Configuring SPI Communication" on page 10-3 and "Transmitting Data Over the SPI Interface" on page 10-7.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

## **Examples**

This example shows how to create a SPI object s, and read data.

Construct a spi object called s using Vendor 'aardvark', with BoardIndex of 0, and Port of 0.

```
s = spi('aardvark', 0, 0);
Connect to the chip.
connect(s);
Read data from the chip.
data = read(s, 2);
```

Disconnect the SPI device and clean up by clearing the object.

```
disconnect(s);
clear('s');
```

Introduced in R2013b

# readasync

(To be removed) Read data asynchronously from instrument

**Note** This serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, and gpib object function will be removed in a future release. Use serialport, bluetooth, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, and visadev object functions instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### **Syntax**

```
readasync(obj)
readasync(obj,size)
```

### **Arguments**

obj An interface object.

size The number of bytes to read from the instrument.

### **Description**

readasync(obj) initiates an asynchronous read operation.

readasync(obj, size) asynchronously reads, at most, the number of bytes specified by size. If size is greater than the difference between the InputBufferSize property value and the BytesAvailable property value, an error is returned.

## **Examples**

This example creates the serial port object s, connects s to a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope, configures s on a Windows machine to read data asynchronously only if readasync is issued, and configures the instrument to return the peak-to-peak value of the signal on channel 1.

```
s = serial('COM1');
fopen(s)
s.ReadAsyncMode = 'manual';
fprintf(s,'Measurement:Meas1:Source CH1')
fprintf(s,'Measurement:Meas1:Type Pk2Pk')
fprintf(s,'Measurement:Meas1:Value?')

Initially, there is no data in the input buffer.
s.BytesAvailable
ans =
0
```

Begin reading data asynchronously from the instrument using readasync. When the read operation is complete, return the data to the MATLAB workspace using fscanf.

### **Tips**

Before you can read data, you must connect obj to the instrument with the fopen function. A connected interface object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt to perform a read operation while obj is not connected to the instrument.

For serial port, TCPIP, UDP, and VISA-serial objects, you should use readasync only when you configure the ReadAsyncMode property to manual. readasync is ignored if used when ReadAsyncMode is continuous.

The TransferStatus property indicates if an asynchronous read or write operation is in progress. For all interface objects, you cannot use readasync while a read operation is in progress. For serial port and VISA-serial objects, you can write data while an asynchronous read is in progress because serial ports have separate read and write pins. You can stop asynchronous read and write operations with the stopasync function.

You can monitor the amount of data stored in the input buffer with the BytesAvailable property. Additionally, you can use the BytesAvailableFcn property to execute a callback function when the terminator or the specified amount of data is read.

Asynchronous operation is not supported for NI VISA objects on the UNIX platform. So if you use the readasync function with a NI VISA object, you will get an error.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

#### Rules for Completing an Asynchronous Read Operation

An asynchronous read operation with readasync completes when one of these conditions is met:

• The terminator is read. For serial port, TCPIP, UDP, and VISA-serial objects, the terminator is given by the Terminator property. Note that for UDP objects, DatagramTerminateMode must be off.

For all other interface objects except VISA-RSIB, the terminator is given by the EOSCharCode property.

- The time specified by the Timeout property passes.
- The specified number of bytes is read.
- The input buffer is filled.
- A datagram has been received (UDP objects only if DatagramTerminateMode is on)

• The EOI line is asserted (GPIB and VXI instruments only).

For serial port, TCPIP, UDP, and VISA-serial objects, readasync can be slow because it checks for the terminator. To increase speed, you might want to configure ReadAsyncMode to continuous and continuously return data to the input buffer as soon as it is available from the instrument.

### **Compatibility Considerations**

#### gpib object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

Use of this function with a gpib object will be removed. To access a GPIB instrument, use the VISA-GPIB interface with a visadev object, its functions, and its properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

### tcpip, visa, and serial object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with the tcpip (with NetworkRole set to server), visa, and serial interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
tcpip	tcpserver	"Transition Your Code to tcpserver Interface" on page 7- 43
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31
serial	serialport	"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26

#### Bluetooth, tcpip, and udp object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2020b

Use of this function with the Bluetooth, tcpip (with NetworkRole set to client), and udp interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
Bluetooth	bluetooth (case-sensitive)	"Transition Your Code to bluetooth Interface"
tcpip	tcpclient	"Transition Your Code to tcpclient Interface" on page 7- 36
udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18

### serial object interface is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2019b

Use of this function with a serial object is not recommended. To access a serial port, use a serialport instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

fopen | stopasync

#### **Properties**

BytesAvailable | BytesAvailableFcn | ReadAsyncMode | Status | TransferStatus

#### Introduced before R2006a

# readbinblock

Read one binblock of data from serial port

### **Syntax**

```
data = readbinblock(device)
data = readbinblock(device,precision)
```

### **Description**

data = readbinblock(device) reads a binblock of data from the serial port as uint8 numeric
values and returns a 1-by-N array of doubles.

data = readbinblock(device, precision) reads a binblock of data interpreted as the type specified by precision. For numeric types, the data is returned as a 1-by-N array of doubles. For text types, the data is returned as character vector or string, as specified.

The function blocks MATLAB and waits until a binblock is read from the serial port.

### **Examples**

#### Read Binblock of uint8 Data

Read a binblock of numeric uint8 data from the serial port.

The default precision is uint8.

```
s = serialport("COM3",9600);
data = readbinblock(s);
```

#### Read Binblock of uint16 Data

Read a binblock of numeric uint16 data from the serial port.

```
s = serialport("COM3",9600);
data = readbinblock(s,"uint16")
```

## **Input Arguments**

#### device — Serial port

```
serialport object
```

Serial port, specified as a serialport object.

```
Example: serialport()
```

#### precision — Size and format of each value

```
'uint8' (default)|'int8'|'uint16'|'int16'|'uint32'|'int32'|'uint64'|'int64'|
'single'|'double'|'char'|'string'
```

Size and format of binblock data, specified as a character vector or string. precision determines the number of bits to read for each value and the interpretation of those bits as a MATLAB data type.

```
Example: 'int16'
Data Types: char|string
```

### **Output Arguments**

#### data — Numeric or ASCII data

1-by-N double | string | char

Numeric or ASCII data, returned as a 1-by-N vector of doubles or text. For all numeric precision types, data is a row vector of double values. For the text type precision values of 'char' or 'string', data is of the specified type.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

read | readline | serialport | serialportlist

#### Introduced in R2019b

# readbinblock

Read one binblock of data from remote host over TCP/IP

## **Syntax**

```
data = readbinblock(t)
data = readbinblock(t,datatype)
```

### **Description**

data = readbinblock(t) reads a binblock of data from the remote host specified by the TCP/IP client t and returns the data as a row vector of doubles. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the specified number of values are read or a timeout occurs.

data = readbinblock(t,datatype) reads a binblock of data interpreted as the type specified by datatype. For numeric types, the data is returned as a row vector of doubles. For text types, the data is returned as a character vector or string, as specified.

### **Examples**

#### Write and Read Binblock of Data from Remote Host

Create a TCP/IP client connection called t, connecting to a TCP/IP echo server with port 4000. To do so, you must have an echotcpip server running on port 4000.

Write the values [1,2,3,4,5] as a binblock in uint8 format.

```
writebinblock(t,1:5,"uint8")
```

Write another binblock of data. Write the values [6,7,8,9,10] as double data.

```
writebinblock(t,6:10, "double")
```

Since the client is connected to an echo server, the data you write to the server is returned to the client. Read the first binblock of data that you wrote.

```
readbinblock(t)
```

```
ans = 1 \times 5

1 2 3 4 5
```

Read a binblock of data again to return the second set of values that you wrote. Specify the data as double.

```
readbinblock(t,"double") ans = 1 \times 5 6 7 8 9 10
```

Close the connection between the TCP/IP client and the remote host by clearing the object. Turn off the echotcpip server.

```
clear t
echotcpip("off")
```

### **Input Arguments**

#### t — TCP/IP client

tcpclient object

TCP/IP client, specified as a tcpclient object.

Example: readbinblock(t) reads a binblock of data from the TCP/IP client t.

#### datatype — Size and format of each value

```
"uint8" (default) | "int8" | "uint16" | "int16" | "uint32" | "int32" | "uint64" | "int64" | "single" | "double" | "char" | "string"
```

Size and format of each value, specified as a character vector or string. datatype determines the number of bytes to read for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

```
\label{thm:condition} Example: \verb"readbinblock" (t, "double") reads a binblock of double data.
```

Data Types: char | string

#### See Also

tcpclient | read | readline | writebinblock

#### Introduced in R2020b

# readbinblock

Read one binblock of data sent to TCP/IP server

### **Syntax**

```
data = readbinblock(t)
data = readbinblock(t,datatype)
```

### **Description**

data = readbinblock(t) reads a binblock of data sent to the TCP/IP server t from the client connected to it and returns the data as a row vector of doubles. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the number of values specified in the binblock is read or a timeout occurs.

data = readbinblock(t,datatype) reads a binblock of data interpreted as the type specified by datatype. For numeric types, the data is returned as a row vector of doubles. For text types, the data is returned as a character vector or string, as specified.

### **Examples**

#### Read Binblock of Data Sent to TCP/IP Server

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for connections at localhost and port 4000.

Create a TCP/IP client to connect to your server object using tcpclient. You must specify the same IP address and port number you use to create server.

```
Show all properties, functions
```

Write a binblock of data to the client in uint8 format.

```
writebinblock(client,[4,8,15,16,23,42],"uint8")
```

Since the client is connected to the server, the data you write to the client is available to be read from the server object. Read the binblock of data.

readbinblock(server)

```
ans = 1 \times 6

4 8 15 16 23 42
```

If you write a binblock of data to the client that is not in uint8 format, you must specify the data type when reading it from the server object.

```
writebinblock(client, "Hello, world!", "string")
readbinblock(server, "string")
ans =
"Hello, world!"
```

### **Input Arguments**

#### t — TCP/IP server

tcpserver object

TCP/IP server, specified as a tcpserver object.

Example: readbinblock(t) reads a binblock of data sent to the TCP/IP server t from the client connected to it.

#### datatype — Size and format of each value

```
"uint8" (default) | "int8" | "uint16" | "int16" | "uint32" | "int32" | "uint64" | "int64" | "single" | "double" | "char" | "string"
```

Size and format of each value, specified as a character vector or string. datatype determines the number of bytes to read for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

```
Example: readbinblock(t, "double") reads a binblock of double data.
```

```
Data Types: char | string
```

#### See Also

tcpserver | read | readline | writebinblock

#### Introduced in R2021a

# readbinblock

Read one binblock of data from VISA resource

### Syntax

```
data = readbinblock(v)
data = readbinblock(v,datatype)
```

### **Description**

data = readbinblock(v) reads a binblock of data from the VISA resource v and returns the data as a row vector of doubles. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the number of values specified in the binblock is read or a timeout occurs.

data = readbinblock(v,datatype) reads a binblock of data interpreted as the type specified by datatype. For numeric types, the data is returned as a row vector of doubles. For text types, the data is returned as a character vector or string, as specified.

### **Examples**

#### **Read Binblock of Data from VISA Resource**

Create a connection to a VISA resource. This example shows a connection to a device with the alias COM4 using the VISA-Serial interface.

```
v = visadev("COM4");
```

Read a binblock of uint8 data from the VISA resource v.

```
data = readbinblock(v);
```

## **Input Arguments**

#### v - VISA resource

visadev object

VISA resource, specified as a visadev object.

Example: readbinblock(v) reads a binblock of data from the VISA resource v.

#### datatype — Size and format of each value

```
"uint8" (default) | "int8" | "uint16" | "int16" | "uint32" | "int32" | "uint64" | "int64" | "single" | "double" | "char" | "string"
```

Size and format of each value, specified as a character vector or string. datatype determines the number of bytes to read for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

```
Example: readbinblock(v, "double") reads a binblock of double data.
```

```
Data Types: char | string
```

## See Also

visadev|read|readline|writebinblock

Introduced in R2021a

# readline

Read line of ASCII string data from serial port

### **Syntax**

```
data = readline(device)
```

### **Description**

data = readline(device) reads ASCII data until the first occurrence of the terminator from the
serial port connection and returns data as a string without the terminator. The function suspends
MATLAB execution until the terminator is reached or a timeout occurs.

### **Examples**

#### Write and Read Line of ASCII Data from Serial Port Device

Create a connection to a serial port device. In this example, the serial port at COM3 is connected to a loopback device.

Check the default ASCII terminator.

```
device.Terminator
```

```
ans =
"IF"
```

Set the terminator to "CR" and write a string of ASCII data. The writeline function automatically appends the terminator to the data.

```
configureTerminator(device, "CR")
writeline(device, "hello")
```

Write another string of ASCII data with the terminator automatically appended.

```
writeline(device, "world")
```

Since the port is connected to a loopback device, the data you write to the device is returned to MATLAB. Read a string of ASCII data. The readline function returns data until it reaches a terminator.

```
readline(device)
ans =
    "hello"
Read a string of ASCII data again to return the second string that you wrote.
readline(device)
ans =
    "world"
Clear the serial port connection.
```

### **Input Arguments**

### device — Serial port connection

serialport object

clear device

Serial port connection, specified as a serialport object.

Example: readline(device) reads ASCII data from the serial port connection device.

#### See Also

#### Functions

configureTerminator | read | readbinblock | serialport | serialportlist | writeread |
writeline

#### Introduced in R2019b

# readline

Read line of ASCII string data from remote host over TCP/IP

### **Syntax**

```
data = readline(t)
```

## **Description**

data = readline(t) reads ASCII data until the first occurrence of the terminator from the remote
host specified by the TCP/IP client t and returns data as a string without the terminator. The
function suspends MATLAB execution until the terminator is reached or a timeout occurs.

### **Examples**

#### Write and Read Line of ASCII Data from Remote Host

Create a TCP/IP client connection called t, connecting to a TCP/IP echo server with port 4000. To do so, you must have an echotcpip server running on port 4000.

Check the default ASCII terminator.

#### t.Terminator

```
ans = "LF"
```

Set the terminator to "CR" and write a string of ASCII data. The writeline function automatically appends the terminator to the data.

```
configureTerminator(t,"CR")
writeline(t,"hello")
```

Write another string of ASCII data with the terminator automatically appended.

```
writeline(t,"world")
```

Since the client is connected to an echo server, the data you write to the server is returned to the client. Read a string of ASCII data. The readline function returns data until it reaches a terminator.

```
readline(t)
```

```
ans = "hello"
```

Read a string of ASCII data again to return the second string that you wrote.

```
readline(t)
```

```
ans = "world"
```

Close the echo server and clear the TCP/IP client connection.

```
echotcpip("off")
clear t
```

### **Input Arguments**

#### t — TCP/IP client

tcpclient object

TCP/IP client, specified as a tcpclient object.

Example: readline(t) reads ASCII data from the remote host specified by the TCP/IP client t.

### **See Also**

#### **Functions**

tcpclient | read | configureTerminator | writeline

#### Introduced in R2020b

# readline

Read line of ASCII string data sent to TCP/IP server

### **Syntax**

```
data = readline(t)
```

## **Description**

data = readline(t) reads ASCII data sent to the TCP/IP server t from the client connected to it until the first occurrence of the terminator and returns data as a string without the terminator. The function suspends MATLAB execution until it reaches a terminator or a timeout occurs.

### **Examples**

#### Read Line of ASCII Data Sent to TCP/IP Server

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for connections at localhost and port 4000.

Create a TCP/IP client to connect to your server object using tcpclient. You must specify the same IP address and port number you use to create server.

Check the default ASCII terminator for the server.

```
server.Terminator
```

```
ans =
"LF"
```

Set the terminators for both the server and client to "CR". The TCP/IP server and its connected client must have the same terminator.

```
configureTerminator(server, "CR")
configureTerminator(client, "CR")
```

Write a string of ASCII data to the client. The writeline function automatically appends the terminator to the data.

```
writeline(client, "First message.")
```

Write another string of ASCII data with the terminator automatically appended.

```
writeline(client, "Second message.")
```

Since the client is connected to the server, the data you send to the client is available to be read from the server. Read a string of ASCII data received by the server from the client. The readline function returns data until it reaches a terminator.

```
readline(server)
```

```
ans =
"First message."
```

Read a string of ASCII data again to return the second string.

```
readline(server)
```

```
ans =
"Second message."
```

### Input Arguments

#### t — TCP/IP server

tcpserver object

TCP/IP server, specified as a tcpserver object.

Example: readline(t) reads ASCII data sent to the TCP/IP server t from the client connected to it.

### See Also

tcpserver | read | configureTerminator | writeline

#### Introduced in R2021a

# readline

Read line of ASCII string data from UDP socket

### **Syntax**

```
data = readline(u)
```

## **Description**

data = readline(u) reads data from the specified UDP socket until the first occurrence of the
terminator, and assigns the result to data as a string. u must be a byte-type udpport object. This
function waits until the terminator is read or a timeout occurs.

### **Examples**

#### Read ASCII Line from UDP Socket

```
Create a UDP socket object and define its terminator.
```

```
u = udpport;
configureTerminator(u,"CR/LF");
```

Read an ASCII-terminated string from the udpport socket.

```
data = readline(u);
```

data does not include the terminator.

## **Input Arguments**

#### u — UDP socket

udpport object

UDP socket, specified as a byte-type udpport object.

```
Example: u = udpport("byte")
Data Types: udpport object
```

## **Output Arguments**

### data — String read from udpport socket

string

String value read from the udpport socket, returned as a string.

## See Also

### **Functions**

udpport|writeline|configureTerminator

Introduced in R2020b

# readline

Read line of ASCII string data from VISA resource

### **Syntax**

```
data = readline(v)
```

### **Description**

data = readline(v) reads ASCII data from the VISA resource v until the first occurrence of the
terminator and returns data as a string without the terminator. The function suspends MATLAB
execution until it reaches a terminator or a timeout occurs.

### **Examples**

#### Read ASCII Line from VISA Resource

Create a connection to a VISA resource. This example shows a connection to a device with the alias COM4 using the VISA-Serial interface.

```
v = visadev("COM4");
Set the terminator to "CR/LF".
configureTerminator(v, "CR/LF")
```

Read a string of ASCII data from the VISA resource v. The readline function returns data until it reaches a terminator.

```
data = readline(v);
```

## **Input Arguments**

#### v — VISA resource

visadev object

VISA resource, specified as a visadev object.

Example: readline(v) reads ASCII data from the VISA resource v.

#### See Also

visadev|read|configureTerminator|writeline

#### Introduced in R2021a

# readWaveform

Returns waveform displayed on scope

### **Syntax**

```
w = readWaveform(myScope);
w = readWaveform(myScope, 'acquisition', true);
w = readWaveform(myScope, 'acquisition', false);
```

### Description

w = readWaveform(myScope); returns waveform(s) displayed on the scope screen. Retrieves the waveform(s) from enabled channel(s). By default it downloads the captured waveform from the scope without acquisition.

w = readWaveform(myScope, 'acquisition', true); initiates an acquisition and returns waveform(s) from the oscilloscope.

w = readWaveform(myScope, 'acquisition', false); gets waveform from the enabled channel without acquisition

This function can only be used with the oscilloscope object. You can use the getWaveform function to download the current waveform from the scope or to initiate the waveform and capture it. See the examples below for the three possible use cases.

**Note** This is the getWaveform function. In R2017a the name changed from getWaveform to readWaveform. The getWaveform function will continue to be supported.

## **Examples**

Use this example if you have captured the waveform(s) using the oscilloscope's front panel and want to download it to the Instrument Control Toolbox for further analysis.

```
o = oscilloscope()
set (o, 'Resource', 'instrumentResourceString');
connect(o);
w = getWaveform(o);
```

Replace 'instrumentResourceString' with the resource string for your instrument.

Use this example to get the waveform from a circuit output (without configuring the trigger) and download it to the Instrument Control Toolbox to check it.

```
o = oscilloscope()
set (o, 'Resource', 'instrumentResourceString');
connect(o);
enableChannel(o,'Channel1');
w = getWaveform(o);
```

Replace 'instrumentResourceString' with the resource string for your instrument.

Use this example to capture synchronized input/output signals of a filter circuit when a certain trigger condition is met, stop the acquisition, and download the waveforms to the Instrument Control Toolbox.

```
o = oscilloscope()
set (o, 'Resource', 'instrumentResourceString');
connect(o);
set (o, 'TriggerMode','normal');
enableChannel(o, {'Channel1','Channel2'});
[w1, w2] = readWaveform(o, 'acquisition', true);
```

Replace 'instrumentResourceString' with the resource string for your instrument.

### **See Also**

#### **Topics**

"The Quick-Control Interfaces" on page 13-17

#### **Introduced in R2011b**

## record

Record data and event information to file

### **Syntax**

```
record(obj)
record(obj,'switch')
```

### **Arguments**

```
obj An instrument object.
```

'switch' Switch recording capabilities on or off.

### **Description**

record(obj) toggles the recording state for obj.

record(obj,'switch') initiates or terminates recording for obj. switch can be on or off. If switch is on, recording is initiated. If switch is off, recording is terminated.

### **Examples**

This example creates the GPIB object g, connects g to the instrument, and configures g to record detailed information to the disk file MyGPIBFile.txt.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
fopen(g)
g.RecordDetail = 'verbose';
g.RecordName = 'MyGPIBFile.txt';
```

Initiate recording, write the \*IDN? command to the instrument, and read back the identification information.

```
record(g,'on')
fprintf(g,'*IDN?')
out = fscanf(g);
```

Terminate recording and disconnect **g** from the instrument.

```
record(g,'off')
fclose(g)
```

## **Tips**

Before you can record information to disk, obj must be connected to the instrument with the fopen function. A connected instrument object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt to record information while obj is not connected to the instrument. Each instrument object must record information to a separate file. Recording is automatically terminated when obj is disconnected from the instrument with fclose.

The RecordName and RecordMode properties are read-only while obj is recording, and must be configured before using record.

For a detailed description of the record file format and the properties associated with recording data and event information to a file, refer to "Debugging: Recording Information to Disk" on page 16-5.

# See Also

fclose | fopen | propinfo | RecordMode | RecordName | RecordStatus | Status

#### remove

Remove entry from IVI configuration store object

# Syntax

```
remove(obj, 'type', 'name')
remove(obj, struct)
```

### **Arguments**

obj IVI configuration store object

'type' Type of entry being removed; type can be DriverSession, HardwareAsset,

or LogicalName

'name' Name of the DriverSession, HardwareAsset, or LogicalName to be

removed

struct Structure defining entries to be removed

### **Description**

remove(obj, 'type', 'name') removes an entry of type, type, with name, name, from the IVI configuration store object, obj. type can be HardwareAsset, DriverSession, or LogicalName. If an entry of type, type, with name, name, does not exist, an error will occur.

remove(obj, struct) removes an entry using the fields in struct. If an entry with the *type* and name field in struct does not exist, an error will occur.

The modified configuration store object, obj, can be saved to the configuration store data file with the commit function.

If you attempt to remove an entry that is actively referenced by another entry, an error will occur. For example, you cannot remove a hardware asset that is currently referenced by a driver session.

# **Examples**

```
c = iviconfigurationstore;
remove(c, 'HardwareAsset', 'gpib1');
```

#### See Also

iviconfigurationstore | add | commit | update

#### resources

List of available instrument resources for Quick-Control interfaces

### **Syntax**

```
ResourceList = resources(rf)
```

# **Description**

ResourceList = resources(rf) lists the resources for RF signal generator object rf. It returns a cell array of resources for the Quick-Control RF Signal Generator, Quick-Control Oscilloscope, or Quick-Control Function Generator objects.

# **Examples**

#### **List Resources and Connect to RF Signal Generator**

The resources function lists resources available for any of the Quick-Control interface objects: RF signal generator (rfsiggen), oscilloscope (oscilloscope), or function generator (fgen). This example uses Quick-Control RF Signal Generator, but the function also works in the same way for the other two object types.

Create an RF signal generator object without assigning the resource or driver.

```
rf = rfsiggen;
List the resources.

ResourceList = resources(rf)

ResourceList =
    3x1 cell array
    {'ASRL::COM1'}
    {'ASRL::COM3'}
    'TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR'
```

In this case, it finds two COM ports that could host an instrument, and the VISA resource string of an RF signal generator.

Set the RF signal generator resource using the Resource property, which is the VISA resource string.

```
rf.Resource = 'TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR';
```

Set the RF Signal Generator driver using the Driver property, which is a string containing the name of your instrument driver.

```
rf.Driver = 'AgRfSigGen';
```

You can now connect to the instrument.

connect(rf);

# **Output Arguments**

### **ResourceList** — **List of instrument resources**

cell array of strings

List of instrument resources, returned as a cell array of strings. It represents the VISA resource string for the instrument. The resources function can list resources available for any of the Quick-Control interface objects: RF signal generator, oscilloscope, or function generator.

#### See Also

rfsiggen | start | download | drivers

#### **Topics**

- "Download and Generate Signals with RF Signal Generator" on page 13-42
- "Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Functions" on page 13-38
- "Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Properties" on page 13-40

#### **Introduced in R2017b**

# resolvehost

Resolve network host name or IP address

### **Syntax**

```
name = resolvehost(host)
name = resolvehost(host, "name")
address = resolvehost(host, "address")
[name,address] = resolvehost(host)
```

### **Description**

name = resolvehost(host) and name = resolvehost(host, "name") return the name of the specified host, where host is the network name or IP address.

```
address = resolvehost(host, "address") returns the address of the specified host.
```

[name,address] = resolvehost(host) returns both the name and address of the specified host.

### **Examples**

#### **Identify Network Name from Host Address**

Provide an IP address to view the associated host name.

```
name = resolvehost("144.212.244.17")
name =
'www-ahprod.mathworks.com'
You can specify the optional input argument "name" as well.
```

```
name = resolvehost("144.212.244.17", "name")
name =
'www-ahprod.mathworks.com'
```

Specifying the host name instead returns the same host name.

```
name = resolvehost("www.mathworks.com")
name =
'www.mathworks.com'
```

#### **Resolve IP Address from Host Name**

Provide a network host name to view the associated IP address. You must include the input argument "address".

```
address = resolvehost("en.wikipedia.org","address")
address =
'208.80.154.224'

Specifying the IP address instead returns the same IP address.
address = resolvehost("208.80.154.224","address")
address =
'208.80.154.224'
```

#### **Resolve Network Name and IP Address from Host**

You can view both the network name and IP address of a specified host. You can specify either the name or IP address. In this example, the resolvehost function returns the name and address from the provided host name.

```
[name,address] = resolvehost("en.wikipedia.org")
name =
'en.wikipedia.org'
address =
'208.80.154.224'
You can also specify the IP address instead.
[name,address] = resolvehost("208.80.154.224")
name =
'text-lb.eqiad.wikimedia.org'
address =
'208.80.154.224'
```

## **Input Arguments**

#### host — Network host name or address

```
character vector | string
```

Network host name or IP address, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

```
Data Types: char | string
```

# **Output Arguments**

#### name - Network name

character vector

Network name, returned as a character vector.

#### address — IP address

character vector

IP address, returned as a character vector.

# **See Also**

tcpclient|udpport

# rfsiggen

Create Quick-Control RF Signal Generator object

### **Syntax**

```
rf = rfsiggen()
rf = rfsiggen(Resource)
rf = rfsiggen(Resource, Driver)
```

# **Description**

rf = rfsiggen() creates the RF signal generator object rf to communicate with an RF signal generator instrument. You must specify a resource or a resource and driver later.

rf = rfsiggen(Resource) additionally specifies the Resource, and connects it to the RF signal generator instrument designated by the resource. This is the VISA resource string for the instrument.

rf = rfsiggen(Resource, Driver) additionally specifies the Driver, which is the underlying driver to use with the instrument. If it is not specified, the driver is auto-detected.

### **Examples**

#### **Create an RF Signal Generator Object**

You can create the rfsiggen object without setting the resource, and then set it after object creation.

Create the RF Signal Generator object with no arguments.

```
rf = rfsiggen()
```

Find available resources using the resources function.

```
targets = resources(rf)
```

It returns a list of possible VISA resource strings, for example TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR.

Set the RF signal generator resource using the Resource property.

```
rf.Resource = 'TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR';
```

Connect to the instrument. When you assign the resource after object creation, you need to explicitly connect to the instrument.

```
connect(rf);
```

#### Create an RF Signal Generator Object and Set Resource and Driver

You can create the rfsiggen object and set the resource and driver during object creation. If those properties are valid, the object automatically connects to the instrument.

Create the RF signal generator object and connect using the specified resource string and driver.

```
rf = rfsiggen('TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR','AgRfSigGen')
```

### **Input Arguments**

#### Resource — VISA resource string for your instrument

string

VISA resource string for your instrument, specified as a string. Set this before connecting to the instrument. Setting it during object creation is optional and can be used if you know the resource string for your instrument. Otherwise, you can set it after object creation.

```
Example: rf = rfsiggen('TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR')
Data Types: char | string
```

### Driver — Underlying driver to use with the instrument

string

Underlying driver to use with the instrument, specified as a string. Set this before connecting to the instrument. If it is not specified, the driver is auto-detected.

```
Example: rf = rfsiggen('TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR','AgRFSigGen')
Data Types: char | string
```

#### See Also

download | start | resources | drivers

#### **Topics**

"Download and Generate Signals with RF Signal Generator" on page 13-42

"Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Functions" on page 13-38

#### Introduced in R2017b

<sup>&</sup>quot;Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Properties" on page 13-40

#### save

Save instrument objects and variables to MAT-file

### **Syntax**

```
save filename
save filename obj1 obj2 ...
```

### **Arguments**

```
filename The MAT-file name.

obj1 obj2 ... Instrument objects or arrays of instrument objects.
```

# **Description**

save filename saves all MATLAB variables to the MAT-file filename. If an extension is not specified for filename, then a .mat extension is used.

save filename obj1 obj2 ... saves the instrument objects obj1 obj2 ... to the MAT-file filename.

# **Examples**

This example illustrates how to use the command form and the functional form of save.

```
s = serial('COM1');
set(s,'BaudRate',2400,'StopBits',1)
save MySerial1 s
set(s,'BytesAvailableFcn',@mycallback)
save('MySerial2','s')
```

# **Tips**

You can use save in the functional form as well as the command form shown above. When using the functional form, you must specify the filename and instrument objects as character vectors. For example, on a Windows machine, save the serial port object s to the file MySerial.mat,

```
s = serial('COM1');
save('MySerial','s')
```

Any data that is associated with the instrument object is not automatically stored in the MAT-file. For example, suppose there is data in the input buffer for obj. To save that data to a MAT-file, you must bring the data into the MATLAB workspace using one of the synchronous read functions, and then save the data to the MAT-file using a separate variable name. You can also save data to a text file with the record function.

You return objects and variables to the MATLAB workspace with the load command. Values for readonly properties are restored to their default values upon loading. For example, the Status property is restored to closed. To determine if a property is read-only, examine its reference pages or use the propinfo function.

# **See Also**

instrhelp|load|propinfo|record|Status

### scanstr

(To be removed) Read data from instrument, format as text, and parse

**Note** This serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, and gpib object function will be removed in a future release. Use serialport, bluetooth, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, and visadev object functions instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### **Syntax**

```
A = scanstr(obj)
A = scanstr(obj, 'delimiter')
A = scanstr(obj, 'delimiter', 'format')
[A,count] = scanstr(...)
[A,count,msg] = scanstr(...)
```

### **Arguments**

obj An interface object.

'delimiter' One or more delimiters used to parse the data.

'format' C language conversion specification.

A Data read from the instrument and formatted as text.

count The number of values read.

msg A message indicating if the read operation was unsuccessful.

# Description

A = scanstr(obj) reads formatted data from the instrument connected to obj, parses the data using both a comma and a semicolon delimiter, and returns the data to the cell array A. Each element of the cell array is determined to be either a double or a character vector.

A = scanstr(obj, 'delimiter') parses the data into separate variables based on the specified delimiter. delimiter can be a single character or a character vector array. If delimiter is a character vector array, then each character in the array is used as a delimiter.

A = scanstr(obj, 'delimiter', 'format') converts the data according to the specified format. A can be a matrix or a cell array depending on format. See the textread help for complete details. format is a string containing C language conversion specifications.

Conversion specifications involve the % character and the conversion characters d, i, o, u, x, X, f, e, E, q, G, c, and s. See the sscanf file I/O format specifications or a C manual for complete details.

If format is not specified, then the best format (either a double or a character vector) is chosen.

[A,count] = scanstr(...) returns the number of values read to count.

[A,count,msg] = scanstr(...) returns a warning message to msg if the read operation did not complete successfully.

### **Examples**

Create the GPIB object g associated with a National Instruments board with index 0 and primary address 2, and connect g to a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,2);
fopen(g)
```

Return identification information to separate elements of a cell array using the default delimiters.

```
fprintf(g,'*IDN?');
idn = scanstr(g)
idn =
   'TEKTRONIX'
   'TDS 210'
   [      0]
   'CF:91.1CT FV:v1.16 TDS2CM:CMV:v1.04'
```

### **Tips**

Before you can read data from the instrument, it must be connected to obj with the fopen function. A connected interface object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt to perform a read operation while obj is not connected to the instrument.

If msg is not included as an output argument and the read operation was not successful, then a warning message is returned to the command line.

The ValuesReceived property value is increased by the number of values read — including the terminator — each time scanstr is issued.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

### gpib object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

Use of this function with a gpib object will be removed. To access a GPIB instrument, use the VISA-GPIB interface with a visadev object, its functions, and its properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### tcpip, visa, and serial object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with the tcpip (with NetworkRole set to server), visa, and serial interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
tcpip	tcpserver	"Transition Your Code to tcpserver Interface" on page 7- 43
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31
serial	serialport	"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26

#### Bluetooth, tcpip, and udp object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2020b

Use of this function with the Bluetooth, tcpip (with NetworkRole set to client), and udp interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
Bluetooth	bluetooth (case-sensitive)	"Transition Your Code to bluetooth Interface"
tcpip	tcpclient	"Transition Your Code to tcpclient Interface" on page 7- 36
udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18

#### serial object interface is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2019b

Use of this function with a serial object is not recommended. To access a serial port, use a serialport instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

fopen | fscanf | instrhelp | sscanf | textread

#### **Properties**

EOSCharCode | EOSMode | Status | Terminator | ValuesReceived

# selftest

Run instrument self-test

# **Syntax**

out = selftest(obj)

## **Arguments**

obj A device object.

out The result of the self-test.

# **Description**

out = selftest(obj) runs the self-test for the instrument associated with the device object specified by obj. The result of the self-test is returned to out. Note that the test result will vary based on the instrument.

# serial

(To be removed) Create serial port object

**Note** serial will be removed in a future release. Use serialport instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations"

### **Syntax**

```
obj = serial('port')
obj = serial('port','PropertyName',PropertyValue,...)
```

### **Arguments**

```
'port' The serial port name.
'PropertyName' A serial port property name.

PropertyValue A property value supported by PropertyName.

The serial port object.
```

### **Description**

obj = serial('port') creates a serial port object associated with the serial port specified by
port. If port does not exist, or if it is in use, you will not be able to connect the serial port object to
the instrument with the fopen function.

obj = serial('port','PropertyName', PropertyValue,...) creates a serial port object with the specified property names and property values. If an invalid property name or property value is specified, an error is returned and the serial port object is not created.

# **Examples**

COM

This example creates the serial port object s1 on a Windows machine associated with the serial port COM1.

```
s1 = serial('COM1');
The Type, Name, and Port properties are automatically configured.
s1.Type
ans =
    serial
s1.Name
ans =
    Serial-COM1
s1.Port
ans =
```

To specify properties during object creation,

```
s2 = serial('COM2', 'BaudRate', 1200, 'DataBits', 7);
```

### **Tips**

At any time, you can use the instrhelp function to view a complete listing of properties and functions associated with serial port objects.

instrhelp serial

When you create a serial port object, these property values are automatically configured:

- Type is given by serial.
- Name is given by concatenating Serial with the port specified in the serial function.
- Port is given by the port specified in the serial function.

You can specify the property names and property values using any format supported by the set function. For example, you can use property name/property value cell array pairs. Additionally, you can specify property names without regard to case, and you can make use of property name completion. For example, the following commands are all valid.

```
s = serial('COM1','BaudRate',4800);
s = serial('COM1','baudrate',4800);
s = serial('COM1','BAUD',4800);
```

Before you can communicate with the instrument, it must be connected to obj with the fopen function. A connected serial port object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt a read or write operation while obj is not connected to the instrument. You can connect only one serial port object to a given serial port.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

#### Warns

Warns starting in R2022a

serial will be removed in a future release. Use serialport instead.

This example shows how to connect to a serial port using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>s = serial("COM1"); s.BaudRate = 115200; fopen(s)</pre>	s = serialport("COM1",115200);

The recommended interface has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### To be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

The serial function runs without warning, but the Code Analyzer indicates that serial will be removed in a future release.

### See Also

# Functions

serialport

# serialbreak

(To be removed) Send break to instrument

**Note** This serial object function will be removed in a future release. Use serialport object functions instead. For more information, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### **Syntax**

```
serialbreak(obj)
serialbreak(obj,time)
```

### **Arguments**

obj A serial port object.

time The duration of the break, in milliseconds.

### **Description**

serialbreak(obj) sends a break of 10 milliseconds to the instrument connected to obj.

serialbreak(obj,time) sends a break to the instrument with a duration, in milliseconds, specified by time. Note that the duration of the break might be inaccurate under some operating systems.

### Tips

For some instruments, the break signal provides a way to clear the hardware buffer.

Before you can send a break to the instrument, it must be connected to obj with the fopen function. A connected serial port object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt to send a break while obj is not connected to the instrument.

serialbreak is a synchronous function, and blocks the command line until execution is complete.

If you issue serialbreak while data is being asynchronously written, an error is returned. In this case, you must call the stopasync function or wait for the write operation to complete.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

#### serial object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with a serial object will be removed. To access a serial port device, use a serialport object with its functions and properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

## **See Also**

fopen | stopasync | Status

# serialport

Connection to serial port

# **Description**

A serialport object represents a serial client for communication with the serial port. After creating the object, use dot notation to set its properties.

### Creation

### **Syntax**

```
s = serialport(port,baudrate)
s = serialport(port,baudrate,Name,Value)
s = serialport
```

#### **Description**

- s = serialport(port, baudrate) connects to the serial port specified by port with a baud rate of baudrate.
- s = serialport(port,baudrate,Name,Value) connects to the serial port and sets additional properties using optional name-value pair arguments.
- s = serialport, without arguments, connects to the serial port using the property settings of your last cleared serialport object instance. The retained properties are Port, BaudRate, ByteOrder, FlowControl, StopBits, DataBits, Parity, Timeout, and Terminator. See "Properties" on page 23-352.

#### **Input Arguments**

#### port — Serial port name

character vector | string scalar

Serial port name, specified as a character vector or string scalar. Use serialportlist to get a list of connected ports.

Example: "COM2"

#### baudrate — Baud rate

double

Baud rate for serial communication, specified as a double.

Example: 9600

#### **Name-Value Pair Arguments**

Specify optional pairs of arguments as Name1=Value1,..., NameN=ValueN, where Name is the argument name and Value is the corresponding value. Name-value arguments must appear after other arguments, but the order of the pairs does not matter.

Before R2021a, use commas to separate each name and value, and enclose Name in quotes.

You can use Name-Value pairs to set the DataBits, Parity, StopBits, FlowControl, ByteOrder, and Timeout object properties. See "Properties" on page 23-352 for their data types and allowed values.

Example: "Timeout", 30

# **Properties**

#### **Object Creation Properties**

#### Port — Serial port for connection

string

This property is read-only.

Serial port for connection, returned as a string.

Example: "COM1"

Data Types: string

#### BaudRate — Communication speed

double

Communication speed in bits per second, returned as a positive integer double.

Example: 14400

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

#### Parity — Parity

```
"none" (default) | "even" | "odd"
```

Parity to check whether data has been lost or written, returned as "none", "even", or "odd".

Example: "odd"

Data Types: char | string

### DataBits — Number of bits to represent one character of data

8 (default) | 7 | 6 | 5

Number of bits to represent one character of data, returned as 8, 7, 6, or 5.

Example: 8

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

#### StopBits — Pattern of bits that indicates the end of a character

```
1 (default) | 1.5 | 2
```

Pattern of bits that indicates the end of a character or of the whole transmission, returned as 1, 1.5, or 2.

Example: 1

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

#### FlowControl — Mode for managing data transmission rate

"none" (default) | "hardware" | "software"

Mode for managing data transmission rate, returned as "none", "hardware", or "software".

Example: "software"

Data Types: char|string

#### ByteOrder — Sequential order of bytes

"little-endian" (default) | "big-endian"

Sequential order in which bytes are arranged into larger numerical values, returned as "little-endian" or "big-endian". Set this property at object creation using a name-value pair argument. You can also change it after object creation using dot notation.

Example: "little-endian"

Data Types: char | string

#### Timeout — Allowed time to complete operations

10 (default) | numeric

Allowed time in seconds to complete read and write operations, returned as a numeric value. Set this property at object creation using a name-value pair argument. You can also change it after object creation using dot notation.

Example: 60

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

#### **Read and Write Properties**

#### NumBytesAvailable — Number of bytes available to read

numeric

This property is read-only.

Number of bytes available to read, returned as a numeric value.

Example: 1024

Data Types: double

#### NumBytesWritten — Total number of bytes written to device

0 (default) | numeric

This property is read-only.

Number of bytes written to the serial port, returned as a numeric value.

Example: 512

Data Types: double

#### Terminator — Terminator character for data

```
"LF" (default) | "CR" | "CR/LF" | 0 to 255
```

Terminator character for reading and writing ASCII-terminated data, returned as "LF", "CR", or "CR/LF", or a number from 0 to 255, inclusive. If the read and write terminators are different, Terminator is returned as a 1x2 cell array of these values. Set this property with the configureTerminator function.

Example: "CR"

Data Types: char | string

#### **Callback Properties**

#### BytesAvailableFcnMode — Bytes available callback trigger mode

```
"off" (default) | "byte" | "terminator"
```

Bytes available callback trigger mode, returned as "off", "byte", or "terminator". This setting determines if the callback is off, triggered by the number of bytes specified by BytesAvailableFcnCount, or triggered by the terminator specified by Terminator. Set this property with the configureCallback function.

Example: "off"

Data Types: char | string

#### BytesAvailableFcnCount — Number of bytes of data to trigger callback

64 (default) | numeric value

Number of bytes of data to trigger the callback specified by BytesAvailableFcn, returned as a double. This value is used only when the BytesAvailableFcnMode property is "byte". Set these properties with the configureCallback function.

Example: 128

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

#### BytesAvailableFcn — Callback function triggered by bytes available event

function handle

Callback function triggered by a bytes available event, returned as a function handle. A bytes available event is generated by receiving a certain number of bytes or a terminator. This property is empty until you assign a function handle. Set this property with the configureCallback function.

Example: @myFcn

Data Types: function handle

#### ErrorOccurredFcn — Callback function triggered by error event

function handle

Callback function triggered by an error event, returned as a function handle. An error event is generated when an asynchronous read or write error occurs. This property is empty until you assign a function handle.

Example: @myErrFcn

Data Types: function\_handle

#### UserData — General purpose property for user data

any type

General purpose property for user data, returned as any MATLAB data type. For example, you can use this property to store data when an event is triggered from a callback function.

Example: datetime()

### **Object Functions**

read Read data from serial port

readline Read line of ASCII string data from serial port readbinblock Read one binblock of data from serial port

write Write data to serial port

writeline Write line of ASCII data to serial port writebinblock Write one binblock of data to serial port

writeread Write command to serial port and read response

flush Clear serial port device buffers

configureTerminator Set terminator for ASCII string communication with serial port

configureCallback Set callback function and trigger condition for communication with serial port

device

getpinstatus Get serial pin status setRTS Set serial RTS pin setDTR Set serial DTR pin

### **Examples**

#### **Read Data from Serial Port**

Read 16 values of uint32 data from the COM3 serial port.

```
s = serialport("COM3",9600,"Timeout",5);
data = read(s,16,"uint32");
```

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

serialportlist

#### **Topics**

"Read Streaming Data from Arduino Using Serial Port Communication" on page 21-92

#### Introduced in R2019b

<sup>&</sup>quot;Read Waveform from Tektronix TDS 1002 Scope Using SCPI Commands" on page 21-95

# serialportlist

List of serial ports connected to your system

### **Syntax**

```
serialportlist
serialportlist("all")
serialportlist("available")
```

### **Description**

serialportlist or serialportlist("all") returns a list of all serial ports on a system. The list includes virtual serial ports provided by USB-to-serial devices and Bluetooth Serial Port Profile devices. The list shows all the serial ports you can access on your computer and can use for serial port communication.

serialportlist("available") returns a list of only those serial ports on your system that are
available at this time.

### **Examples**

#### **Get List of Serial Ports**

Identify serial ports on your system.

```
ports = serialportlist

ports =
   1×4 string array
   "COM1" "COM3" "COM11" "COM12"
```

List only those ports that are available.

```
freeports = serialportlist("available")
freeports =
   1×2 string array
   "COM1" "COM12"
```

### See Also

# **Functions** serialport

#### Introduced in R2019b

### set

Configure or display instrument object properties

### **Syntax**

```
set(obj)
props = set(obj)
set(obj,'PropertyName')
props = set(obj,'PropertyName')
set(obj,'PropertyName',PropertyValue,...)
set(obj,PN,PV)
set(obj,S)
```

## **Arguments**

obj An instrument object or an array of instrument objects.

'*PropertyName*' A property name for obj.

PropertyValue A property value supported by *PropertyName*.

PN A cell array of property names.
PV A cell array of property values.

S A structure with property names and property values.

props A structure array whose field names are the property names for obj, or

cell array of possible values.

# **Description**

set(obj) displays all configurable property values for obj. If a property has a finite list of possible character vector values, then these values are also displayed.

props = set(obj) returns all configurable properties and their possible values for obj to props.
props is a structure whose field names are the property names of obj, and whose values are cell
arrays of possible property values. If the property does not have a finite set of possible values, then
the cell array is empty.

set(obj,'PropertyName') displays the valid values for PropertyName if it possesses a finite list
of character vector values.

props = set(obj,'*PropertyName*') returns the valid values for *PropertyName* to props. props is a cell array of possible character vector values or an empty cell array if *PropertyName* does not have a finite list of possible values.

set(obj,'PropertyName',PropertyValue,...) configures multiple property values with a single command.

set(obj,PN,PV) configures the properties specified in the cell array of character vectors PN to the corresponding values in the cell array PV. PN must be a vector. PV can be m-by-n where m is equal to the number of instrument objects in obj and n is equal to the length of PN.

set(obj,S) configures the named properties to the specified values for obj. S is a structure whose field names are instrument object properties, and whose field values are the values of the corresponding properties.

# **Examples**

This example illustrates some of the ways you can use set to configure or return property values for the GPIB object g.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
set(g,'EOSMode','read','OutputBufferSize',50000)
set(g,{'EOSCharCode','RecordName'},{13,'sydney.txt'})
set(g,'EOIMode')
[ {on} | off ]
```

### **Tips**

You can use any combination of property name/property value pairs, structure arrays, and cell arrays in one call to set. Additionally, you can specify a property name without regard to case, and you can make use of property name completion. For example, if g is a GPIB object, then the following commands are all valid.

```
set(g,'EOSMode')
set(g,'eosmode')
set(g,'EOSM')
```

#### See Also

instrhelp|propinfo|get

# setDTR

Set serial DTR pin

### **Syntax**

```
setDTR(device,true)
setDTR(device,false)
```

# **Description**

setDTR(device, true) sets the specified serial data terminal ready (DTR) pin.
setDTR(device, false) resets the specified serial DTR pin.

# **Examples**

#### Set and Reset DTR Pin

```
Set and then reset the serial DTR pin.
device = serialport("COM3",9600);
    :
setDTR(device,true)
    :
setDTR(device,false)
```

#### Set and Reset DTR Pin Using VISA

Set and then reset the serial DTR pin using the VISA-Serial interface.

```
device = visadev("COM3");
    :
setDTR(device,true)
    :
setDTR(device,false)
```

# **Input Arguments**

#### device — Serial port connection

serialport object | visadev object

Serial port, specified as a serial port object or visadev object.

Example: setDTR(device, true) sets the DTR pin for the serial port connection device. Example: setDTR(device, true) sets the DTR pin for the VISA-Serial resource device.

# See Also

## **Functions**

serialport|visadev|setRTS

### Topics

"Serial Port Signals and Pin Assignments" on page 6-4

### Introduced in R2019b

# setRTS

Set serial RTS pin

### **Syntax**

```
setRTS(device,true)
setRTS(device,false)
```

### **Description**

```
setRTS(device, true) sets the specified serial request to send (RTS) pin.
setRTS(device, false) resets the specified serial RTS pin.
```

## **Examples**

#### **Set and Reset RTS Pin**

```
Set and then reset the serial RTS pin.

device = serialport("COM3",9600);
    :
    setRTS(device,true)
    :
    setRTS(device,false)
```

#### Set and Reset RTS Pin Using VISA

Set and then reset the serial RTS pin using the VISA-Serial interface.

```
device = visadev("COM3");
   :
setRTS(device,true)
   :
setRTS(device,false)
```

# **Input Arguments**

#### device — Serial port connection

```
serialport object | visadev object
```

Serial port, specified as a serialport object or visadev object.

```
Example: setRTS(device, true) sets the RTS pin for the serial port connection device. Example: setRTS(device, true) sets the RTS pin for the VISA-Serial resource device.
```

# See Also

## **Functions**

serialport|visadev|setDTR

### Topics

"Serial Port Signals and Pin Assignments" on page 6-4

### Introduced in R2019b

# size

Size of instrument object array

### **Syntax**

```
d = size(obj)
[m,n] = size(obj)
[m1,m2,m3,...,mn] = size(obj)
m = size(obj,dim)
```

### **Arguments**

obj An instrument object or an array of instrument objects.

dim The dimension of obj.

d The number of rows and columns in obj.

m The number of rows in obj, or the length of the dimension specified by dim.

n The number of columns in **obj**.

m1, m2,..., mn The length of the first N dimensions of obj.

### **Description**

d = size(obj) returns the two-element row vector d containing the number of rows and columns in obj.

[m,n] = size(obj) returns the number of rows and columns in separate output variables.

[m1, m2, m3, ..., mn] = size(obj) returns the length of the first n dimensions of obj.

m = size(obj,dim) returns the length of the dimension specified by the scalar dim. For example, size(obj,1) returns the number of rows.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

#### See Also

instrhelp|length

# spi

Create SPI object

### **Syntax**

```
S = spi(Vendor, BoardIndex, Port);
```

### **Description**

S = spi(Vendor, BoardIndex, Port); constructs an spi object associated with Vendor, BoardIndex, and Port. Vendor must be set to either 'aardvark', for use with a Total Phase Aardvark adaptor, or to 'ni845x', for use with the NI-845x adaptor board, to use this interface. BoardIndex specifies the board index of the hardware and is usually 0. Port specifies the port number within the device and must be set to 0.

SPI, or Serial Peripheral Interface, is a synchronous serial data link standard that operates in full duplex mode. Instrument Control Toolbox SPI support lets you open connections with individual chips and to read and write over the connections to individual chips using an Aardvark host adaptor.

The primary uses for the spi interface involve the write, read, and writeAndRead functions for synchronously reading and writing binary data. To identify SPI devices in the Instrument Control Toolbox, use the instrhwinfo function on the SPI interface, called spi.

Once the SPI object is created, there are properties that can be used to change communication settings. These includes properties for clock speed, clock phase, and clock polarity. For a list of all the properties and information about setting them, see the link for "Using Properties on the SPI Object" at the end of the Examples section.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

# **Examples**

#### **Communicate With SPI Device**

This example shows how to create a SPI object and communicate with a SPI device, using an Aardvark adaptor board.

Ensure that the Aardvark adaptor is installed so that you can use the spi interface, and then look at the adaptor properties.

```
instrhwinfo('spi')
instrhwinfo('spi', 'aardvark')
ans =
```

```
VendorName: 'aardvark'
VendorDescription: 'Total Phase I2C/SPI Driver'
VendorLibraryName: 'aardvark.dll'
InstalledBoardIds: {[0]}
BoardSerialNumbers: {'2237722838'}
ObjectConstructors: {'spi('aardvark', 0, 0)'}
```

Construct a spi object called S using Vendor 'aardvark', with BoardIndex of 0, and Port of 0.

```
S = spi('aardvark', 0, 0);
```

You can optionally change property settings such as BitRate, ClockPhase, or ClockPolarity. For example, set the ClockPhase from the default of FirstEdge.

```
S.ClockPhase = 'SecondEdge'
```

For a list of all the properties and information about setting them, see the link for "Using Properties" on the SPI Object" at the end of the Examples section.

Connect to the chip.

```
connect(S);
```

Read and write to the chip.

```
% Create a variable containing the data to write
dataToWrite = [3 0 0 0];
% Write the binary data to the chip
write(S, dataToWrite);
% Create a variable to contain 5 bytes of returned data
numData = 5
% Read the binary data from the chip
read(S, numData)
```

Disconnect the SPI device and clean up by clearing the object.

```
disconnect(S);
clear('S');
```

### Input Arguments

### Vendor — Adaptor board vendor

```
'aardvark'| ni845x'
```

Adaptor board vendor, specified as the character vector 'aardvark' or 'ni845x'. You need to use a Total Phase Aardvark adaptor or an NI-845x adaptor board to use the SPI interface. You must specify this as the first argument when you create the spi object.

```
Example: S = spi('aardvark', 0, 0);
Data Types: char | string
```

#### BoardIndex — Board index of your hardware

Board index of your hardware, specified as a numeric value. This is usually 0. You must specify this as the second argument when you create the spi object.

```
Example: S = spi('aardvark', 0, 0);
Data Types: double
```

# Port — Port number of your hardware

Port number of your hardware, specified as the number 0. The Aardvark adaptor uses 0 as the port number. You must specify this as the third argument when you create the spi object.

```
Example: S = spi('aardvark', 0, 0);
Data Types: double
```

### See Also

#### **Topics**

"Using Properties on the SPI Object" on page 10-13

#### Introduced in R2013b

# spoll

(To be removed) Perform serial poll on GPIB objects

**Note** This gpib object function will be removed in a future release. Use visadev object functions instead. For more information, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### Syntax

```
out = spoll(obj)
out = spoll(obj,val)
[out] = spoll(obj)
[out,statusByte] = spoll(obj)
[out] = spoll(obj,val)
[out,statusByte] = spoll(obj,val)
```

### **Arguments**

obj A GPIB object or an array of GPIB objects.

val A numeric array containing the indices of the objects in obj, that must be ready

for servicing before control is returned to the MATLAB Command Window.

out The GPIB objects ready for servicing.

statusByte The service request (SRQ) line status byte.

### **Description**

out = spoll(obj) performs a serial poll on the instruments associated with obj. out contains the
GPIB objects that are ready for servicing. If no objects are ready for servicing, then out is empty.

out = spoll(obj,val) performs a serial poll and waits until the instruments specified by val are ready for servicing. An error is returned if a value specified in val does not match an index value in obj.

Using this syntax, spoll blocks access to the MATLAB Command Window until the objects specified by val are ready for servicing, or a timeout occurs for each object specified by val. The timeout period is specified by the Timeout property.

[out] = spoll(obj) returns the object or an array of objects.

[out,statusByte] = spoll(obj) returns the status byte along with the object or an array of
objects.

[out] = spoll(obj,val) returns the object and the value specified in the index value of the
object.

[out,statusByte] = spoll(obj,val) returns the status byte along with the object and the value specified in the index value of the object.

### **Examples**

If obj is a four-element array and val is set to [1 3], then spoll will block access to the MATLAB Command Window until the instruments connected to the first and third GPIB objects have both asserted their SRQ line, or a timeout occurs.

Example of second output argument:

```
g1 = gpib('ni', 0, 1);
g2 = gpib('ni', 0, 2);
fopen([g1 g2]);
out1 = spoll(g1);
out2 = spoll([g1 g2], 1);
out3 = spoll([g1 g2], [1 2])
[out4 statusBytes] = spoll([g1 g2])
[out5 statusBytes] = spoll([g1 g2], 2)
fclose([g1 g2]);
```

### **Tips**

Serial polling is a method of obtaining specific information from GPIB objects when they request service. When you perform a serial poll, out contains the GPIB object that has asserted its SRQ line.

If obj is an array of GPIB objects

- Each element of obj must have the same BoardIndex property value.
- Each element of obj is polled to determine if the instrument is ready for servicing.

If you specify a second output argument when you call an spoll, full serial poll bytes are returned in addition to the SRQ line status in the second argument.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

### **Compatibility Considerations**

### gpib object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

Use of this function with a gpib object will be removed. To access a GPIB instrument, use the VISA-GPIB interface with a visadev object, its functions, and its properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

### See Also

visastatus | gpib | length | spoll (visa) | BoardIndex | Timeout

### **Introduced before R2006a**

### start

Enables RF signal generator signal output and modulation output

### **Syntax**

start(rf, CenterFrequency, OutputPower, LoopCount)

### Description

start(rf, CenterFrequency, OutputPower, LoopCount) enables signal output and modulation output for the RF signal generator rf. All three arguments are required.

### **Examples**

#### Start RF Signal Generator Signal and Modulation Output

Use the start function on an RF signal generator object to start signal output and modulation output. It takes a double value for each of the three required arguments: CenterFrequency specified in Hz, OutputPower specified in dBm, and LoopCount, which represents the number of times the waveform should be repeated.

Create an rfsiggen object to communicate with an RF signal generator, using the VISA resource string and driver associated with your own instrument.

```
rf = rfsiggen('TCPIP0::172.28.22.99::inst0::INSTR','AgRfSigGen')
```

When you designate the Resource and Driver properties during object creation, it automatically connects to the instrument.

Assign the CenterFrequency, OutputPower, and LoopCount variables to use in the signal generation.

```
CenterFrequency = 4000000
OutputPower = 0
LoopCount = inf
```

Start the signal generation.

start(rf, CenterFrequency, OutputPower, LoopCount)

### **Input Arguments**

### CenterFrequency — Center frequency for the waveform

double

Center frequency for the waveform, specified as a double. This value, in Hz, should be the first argument after the object name.

```
Example: start(rf, CenterFrequency, OutputPower, LoopCount)
```

Data Types: double

### OutputPower — Output power for the RF signal generation

double

Output power for the RF signal generation, specified as a double. This value, in dBm, should be the second argument after the object name.

Example: start(rf, CenterFrequency, OutputPower, LoopCount)
Data Types: double

### LoopCount — Number of times to repeat waveform

double

Number of times to repeat waveform, specified as a double. This value should be the third argument after the object name.

Example: start(rf, CenterFrequency, OutputPower, LoopCount)
Data Types: double

### See Also

rfsiggen | download | resources | drivers

#### **Topics**

"Download and Generate Signals with RF Signal Generator" on page 13-42

"Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Functions" on page 13-38

"Quick-Control RF Signal Generator Properties" on page 13-40

#### Introduced in R2017b

# spoll (visa)

(To be removed) Perform serial poll on VISA objects

**Note** This visa object function will be removed in a future release. Use visadev object functions instead. For more information, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### **Syntax**

```
out = spoll(obj)
out = spoll(obj,val)
[out] = spoll(obj)
[out,statusByte] = spoll(obj)
[out] = spoll(obj,val)
[out,statusByte] = spoll(obj,val)
```

### **Arguments**

obj A VISA object or an array of VISA objects.

val A numeric array containing the indices of the objects in obj, that must be ready

for servicing before control is returned to the MATLAB Command Window.

out The VISA objects ready for servicing.

statusByte The service request (SRQ) line status byte.

### **Description**

out = spoll(obj) performs a serial poll on the instruments associated with obj. out contains the
VISA objects that are ready for servicing. If no objects are ready for servicing, then out is empty.

out = spoll(obj,val) performs a serial poll and waits until the instruments specified by val are ready for servicing. An error is returned if a value specified in val does not match an index value in obj.

Using this syntax, spoll blocks access to the MATLAB Command Window until the objects specified by val are ready for servicing, or a timeout occurs for each object specified by val. The timeout period is specified by the Timeout property.

```
[out] = spoll(obj) returns the object or an array of objects.
```

[out,statusByte] = spoll(obj) returns the status byte along with the object or an array of
objects.

[out] = spoll(obj,val) returns the object and the value specified in the index value of the
object.

[out,statusByte] = spoll(obj,val) returns the status byte along with the object and the value specified in the index value of the object.

### **Examples**

If obj is a four-element array and val is set to [1 3], then spoll will block access to the MATLAB Command Window until the instruments connected to the first and third VISA objects have both requested servicing, or a timeout occurs.

Example of second output argument:

```
v1 = visa('keysight', 'TCPIP0::yourdomainname.com::inst0::INSTR');
v2 = visa('keysight', 'TCPIP0::yourdomainname.com::inst01::INSTR');
fopen([v1 v2]);
out1 = spoll(v1);
out2 = spoll([v1 v2], 1);
out3 = spoll([v1 v2], [1 2])
[out4 statusBytes] = spoll([v1 v2])
[out5 statusBytes] = spoll([v1 v2], 2)
fclose([v1 v2]);
```

### **Tips**

Serial polling is a method of obtaining specific information from VISA objects when they request service. When you perform a serial poll, out contains the VISA object that have requested servicing.

If obj is an array of VISA objects

- Each element of obj must have the same BoardIndex property value.
- Each element of obj is polled to determine if the instrument is ready for servicing.

If you specify a second output argument when you call an spoll, full serial poll bytes are returned in addition to the SRQ line status in the second argument.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

## **Compatibility Considerations**

#### visa object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with a visa object will be removed. To access a VISA resource, use a visadev object with its functions and properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### See Also

visastatus | visa | spoll | BoardIndex | Timeout

#### Introduced in R2010a

# stopasync

(To be removed) Stop asynchronous read and write operations

**Note** This serial, Bluetooth, tcpip, udp, visa, and gpib object function will be removed in a future release. Use serialport, bluetooth, tcpclient, tcpserver, udpport, and visadev object functions instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### **Syntax**

stopasync(obj)

### **Arguments**

**obj** An interface object or an array of interface objects.

### Description

stopasync(obj) stops any asynchronous read or write operation that is in progress for obj.

### Tips

You can write data asynchronously using the fprintf or fwrite functions. You can read data asynchronously using the readasync function, or by configuring the ReadAsyncMode property to continuous (serial port, TCPIP, UDP, and VISA-serial objects). In-progress asynchronous operations are indicated by the TransferStatus property.

If obj is an array of interface objects and one of the objects cannot be stopped, the remaining objects in the array are stopped and a warning is returned. After an object stops,

- Its TransferStatus property is configured to idle.
- Its ReadAsyncMode property is configured to manual (serial port, TCPIP, UDP, and VISA-serial objects).
- The data in its output buffer is flushed.

Data in the input buffer is not flushed. You can return this data to the MATLAB workspace using any of the synchronous read functions. If you execute the readasync function, or configure the ReadAsyncMode property to continuous, then the new data is appended to the existing data in the input buffer.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

### gpib object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

Use of this function with a gpib object will be removed. To access a GPIB instrument, use the VISA-GPIB interface with a visadev object, its functions, and its properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

### tcpip, visa, and serial object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with the tcpip (with NetworkRole set to server), visa, and serial interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
tcpip	tcpserver	"Transition Your Code to tcpserver Interface" on page 7- 43
visa	visadev	"Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31
serial	serialport	"Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6- 26

### Bluetooth, tcpip, and udp object interfaces will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2020b

Use of this function with the Bluetooth, tcpip (with NetworkRole set to client), and udp interfaces will be removed. Use the following interfaces and their functions instead. The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance.

Functionality	Use This Instead	Additional Information
Bluetooth	bluetooth (case-sensitive)	"Transition Your Code to bluetooth Interface"
tcpip	tcpclient	"Transition Your Code to tcpclient Interface" on page 7- 36
udp	udpport	"Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18

#### serial object interface is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2019b

Use of this function with a serial object is not recommended. To access a serial port, use a serialport instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to serialport Interface" on page 6-26 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fprintf | fwrite | readasync

### **Properties**

ReadAsyncMode | TransferStatus

**Introduced before R2006a** 

# tcpclient

Create TCP/IP client connection with TCP/IP server

# **Description**

A tcpclient object represents a connection to a remote host and remote port from MATLAB to read and write data. The remote host can be a server or hardware that supports TCP/IP communication, and must already exist. The tcpclient object is always the client and cannot be used as a server. For information on creating a TCP/IP server, see "Communicate Using TCP/IP Server Sockets" on page 7-34.

### Creation

### **Syntax**

```
t = tcpclient(address,port)
t = tcpclient(address,port,Name,Value)
```

### **Description**

t = tcpclient(address,port) creates a TCP/IP client that connects to a server associated with the remote host address and remote port port. The value of address can be either a remote host name or a remote host IP address. The value of port must be a number between 1 and 65535. The input address sets the Address property and the input port sets the Port property.

If you specified an invalid address or port, the TCP/IP server is not running, or the connection to the server cannot be established, then the object is not created and MATLAB throws an error.

t = tcpclient(address,port,Name,Value) creates a connection and sets additional
"Properties" using one or more name-value pair arguments. Set the Timeout, ConnectTimeout, and
EnableTransferDelay properties using name-value pair arguments. Enclose each property name
in quotes, followed by the property value.

Example: t = tcpclient("144.212.130.17",80,"Timeout",20,"ConnectTimeout",30) creates a TCP/IP client connection to the TCP/IP server on port 80 at IP address 144.212.130.17. It sets the timeout period to 20 seconds and the connection timeout to 30 seconds.

# **Properties**

#### **Object Creation Properties**

#### Address — Remote host name or IP address

character vector | string scalar

Remote host name or IP address, specified as a character vector or string scalar. This property can be set only at object creation.

Example: t = tcpclient("www.mathworks.com",80) creates a TCP/IP client connection to port 80 at www.mathworks.com.

Example: t = tcpclient("144.212.130.17", 80) creates a TCP/IP client connection to the TCP/IP server on port 80 at IP address 144.212.130.17.

Data Types: char | string

#### Port — Remote host port

numeric

Remote host port, specified as a number between 1 and 65535, inclusive. This property can be set only at object creation.

Example: t = tcpclient("www.mathworks.com",80) creates a TCP/IP client connection to port 4012 at www.mathworks.com.

Data Types: double

### Timeout — Allowed time to complete operations

10 (default) | numeric

Allowed time in seconds to complete read and write operations, specified as a numeric value. Set this property at object creation using a name-value pair argument. You can also change it after object creation using dot notation.

Example: t = tcpclient("144.212.130.17",80, "Timeout",20) sets the read/write timeout period to 20 seconds.

Data Types: double

#### ConnectTimeout — Allowed time to connect to remote host

Inf (default) | numeric

Allowed time in seconds to connect to the remote host, specified as a numeric value. This property specifies the maximum time to wait for a connection request to the specified remote host to succeed or fail. This property can be set only at object creation.

Example: t = tcpclient("144.212.130.17", 80, "ConnectTimeout", 30) sets the connection timeout period to 30 seconds.

Data Types: double

#### EnableTransferDelay — Allow delayed acknowledgement from server

true or 1 (default) | false or 0

Allow delayed acknowledgement from server, specified as logical true or false. This property indicates whether Nagle's algorithm is on or off for the connection.

If this property is true, the client collects small segments of outstanding data and sends them in a single packet when acknowledgement (ACK) arrives from the server. Set this property to false if you want to immediately send data to the network. If a network is slow, you can improve its performance by enabling the transfer delay. However, on a fast network acknowledgments arrive quickly and the difference between enabling or disabling the transfer delay is negligible.

This property can be set only at object creation.

Example: t = tcpclient("144.212.130.17",80, "EnableTransferDelay", false) disables the transfer delay.

Data Types: logical

#### **Read and Write Properties**

### NumBytesAvailable — Number of bytes available to read

numeric

This property is read-only.

Number of bytes available to read, returned as a numeric value.

Example: t.NumBytesAvailable returns the number of bytes available to read.

Data Types: double

### NumBytesWritten — Total number of bytes written to remote host

0 (default) | numeric

This property is read-only.

Total number of bytes written to the remote host, returned as a numeric value.

Example: t.NumBytesWritten returns the number of bytes written.

Data Types: double

### ByteOrder — Sequential order of bytes

"little-endian" (default) | "big-endian"

Sequential order in which bytes are arranged into larger numerical values, specified as "little-endian" or "big-endian".

Set the value of this property when reading and writing multi-byte data types, such as uint16, int16, uint32, int32, single, or double. The value of this property must match the configuration of the remote host connected to tcpclient. The remote host or other applications might have a default byte order of big-endian, while the default value of this property is little-endian.

Example: t.ByteOrder = "big-endian" sets the byte order to big-endian.

Data Types: char | string

#### Terminator — Terminator character for data

"LF" (default) | "CR" | "CR/LF" | 0 to 255

Terminator character for reading and writing ASCII-terminated data, returned as "LF", "CR", "CR/LF", or a number from 0 to 255, inclusive. If the read and write terminators are different, Terminator is returned as a 1x2 cell array of these values. Set this property with the configureTerminator function.

Example: configureTerminator(t, "CR") sets both the read and write terminators to "CR".

Example: configureTerminator(t, "CR", 10) sets the read terminator to "CR" and the write terminator to 10.

Data Types: double | char | string

#### **Callback Properties**

### BytesAvailableFcnMode — Bytes available callback trigger mode

"off" (default) | "byte" | "terminator"

Bytes available callback trigger mode, returned as "off", "byte", or "terminator". This setting determines if the callback is off, triggered by the number of bytes specified by BytesAvailableFcnCount, or triggered by the terminator specified by Terminator. Set this property with the configureCallback function.

Example: configureCallback(t,"byte",50,@callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger each time 50 bytes of new data are available to be read.

Example: configureCallback(t, "terminator", @callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger when a terminator is available to be read.

Example: configureCallback(dev, "off") turns off callbacks.

Data Types: char | string

### BytesAvailableFcnCount — Number of bytes of data to trigger callback

64 (default) | numeric

Number of bytes of data to trigger the callback specified by BytesAvailableFcn, returned as a double. This value is used only when the BytesAvailableFcnMode property is "byte". Set these properties with the configureCallback function.

Example: configureCallback(t,"byte",50,@callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger each time 50 bytes of new data are available to be read.

Data Types: double

### BytesAvailableFcn — Callback function triggered by bytes available event

function handle

Callback function triggered by a bytes available event, returned as a function handle. A bytes available event is generated by receiving a certain number of bytes or a terminator. This property is empty until you assign a function handle. Set this property with the configureCallback function.

Example: configureCallback(t,"byte",50,@callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger each time 50 bytes of new data are available to be read.

Data Types: function handle

### ErrorOccurredFcn — Callback function triggered by error event

function handle

Callback function triggered by an error event, returned as a function handle. An error event is generated when an asynchronous read or write error occurs. This property is empty until you assign a function handle.

Example: t.ErrorOccurredFcn = @myErrorFcn

Data Types: function handle

### UserData — General purpose property for user data

any type

General purpose property for user data, returned as any MATLAB data type. For example, you can use this property to store data when an event is triggered from a callback function.

Example: t.UserData

### **Object Functions**

read Read data from remote host over TCP/IP

readline Read line of ASCII string data from remote host over TCP/IP readbinblock Read one binblock of data from remote host over TCP/IP

write Write data to remote host over TCP/IP

writeline Write line of ASCII data to remote host over TCP/IP writebinblock Write one binblock of data to remote host over TCP/IP

writeread Write command to remote host over TCP/IP and read response

configureTerminator Set terminator for ASCII string communication with remote host over TCP/IP configureCallback Set callback function and trigger condition for communication with remote

host over TCP/IP

flush Clear buffers for communication with remote host over TCP/IP

### **Examples**

#### Connect to TCP/IP Remote Host Using Host Name

Create the TCP/IP object t using the host address shown and port 80.

```
t = tcpclient("www.mathworks.com",80)
t =
    tcpclient with properties:
        Address: 'www.mathworks.com'
        Port: 80
    NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

When you connect using a host name, such as a specified web address or 'localhost', the IP address defaults to IPv6 format. If the server you are connecting to is expecting IPv4 format, connection fails. For IPv4, you can create a connection by specifying an explicit IP address rather than a host name.

### Connect to TCP/IP Remote Host Using IP Address

Create a TCP/IP client connection called t using the IP address shown and port 80.

```
t = tcpclient("144.212.130.17",80)
t =
    tcpclient with properties:
        Address: '144.212.130.17'
        Port: 80
    NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

#### **Connect to TCP/IP Remote Host and Set Timeout Period**

Create a TCP/IP client connection called t and set the timeout period to 20 seconds.

```
t = tcpclient("144.212.130.17",80,"Timeout",20)
t =
    tcpclient with properties:
        Address: '144.212.130.17'
        Port: 80
    NumBytesAvailable: 0
    Show all properties, functions
ans = 20
```

See the value of Timeout.

#### t.Timeout

The output reflects the property change.

#### Connect to TCP/IP Remote Host and Set Connection Timeout Period

Create a TCP/IP client connection called t and set the ConnectTimeout property to 30 seconds.

See the value of ConnectTimeout.

```
t.ConnectTimeout
```

```
ans = 30
```

The output reflects the property change.

#### Write and Read uint8 Data from Remote Host

Create a TCP/IP client connection called t, connecting to a TCP/IP echo server with port 4000. To do so, you must have an echotopip server running on port 4000.

The write function synchronously writes data to the remote host connected to t. First specify the data and then write the data. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the specified number of values is written to the remote host.

Assign 10 bytes of uint8 data to the variable data.

```
data = uint8(1:10)

data = 1 \times 10 uint8 row vector

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
```

View the data.

#### whos data

```
Name Size Bytes Class Attributes data 1x10 10 uint8
```

Write data to the echo server.

```
write(t,data)
```

Confirm the success of the writing operation by viewing the NumBytesAvailable property.

#### t.NumBytesAvailable

```
ans = 10
```

Since the client is connected to an echo server, the data you write to the server is returned to the client. Read all the bytes of data available.

### read(t)

```
ans = 1 \times 10 uint8 row vector
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
```

Using the read function with no arguments reads all available bytes of data from t connected to the remote host and returns the data. The number of values read is determined by the NumBytesAvailable property, which is the number of bytes available in the input buffer.

Close the connection between the TCP/IP client and the remote host by clearing the object. Turn off the echotcpip server.

```
clear t
echotcpip("off")
```

### **Extended Capabilities**

#### **C/C++ Code Generation**

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- Platform-specific code generation is only supported on desktop platforms (Windows, macOS, Linux) and on Raspberry Pi™.
- The following tcpclient properties do not support code generation:
  - NumBytesAvailable
  - NumBytesWritten
  - ByteOrder
  - Terminator
  - BytesAvailableFcnMode
  - BytesAvailableFcnCount
  - BytesAvailableFcn
  - ErrorOccurredFcn
  - UserData

Only Address, Port, Timeout, ConnectTimeout, and EnableTransferDelay are supported.

- The following tcpclient object functions do not support code generation:
  - readline
  - readbinblock
  - writeline
  - writebinblock
  - writeread
  - configureTerminator
  - configureCallback
  - flush

Only read and write are supported.

#### See Also

tcpserver|echotcpip

#### Topics

"Create TCP/IP Client and Configure Settings" on page 7-3

<sup>&</sup>quot;Write and Read Data over TCP/IP Interface" on page 7-7

### Introduced in R2014b

# tcpip

(To be removed) Create TCPIP object

**Note** tcpip will be removed. Use tcpclient or tcpserver instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### **Syntax**

```
t = tcpip(RemoteHost)
t = tcpip(RemoteHost,RemotePort)
t = tcpip(____,Name,Value)
```

### **Description**

t = tcpip(RemoteHost) creates a TCPIP object, t, associated with remote host RemoteHost and the default remote port value of 80.

When the TCPIP object is created, its Status property value is closed. When the object is connected to the host with the fopen function, the Status property is configured to open.

The default local host in multihome hosts is the system default. The LocalPort property defaults to a value of [], which allows any free local port to be used. LocalPort is assigned when fopen is issued.

t = tcpip(RemoteHost,RemotePort) creates a TCPIP object with the specified remote port
value RemotePort.

t = tcpip(\_\_\_\_, Name, Value) creates a TCPIP object with the specified optional name-value pairs. If an invalid property name or property value is specified, the object is not created.

### **Examples**

#### Write and Read with a TCP/IP Echo Server

Use a TCPIP object to write to an echo server and read back the message.

Start a TCP/IP echo server and create a TCPIP object.

```
echotcpip('on',4012)
t = tcpip('localhost',4012);
Connect the TCPIP object to the host.
fopen(t)
```

Write to the host and read from the host.

```
fwrite(t,65:74)
A = fread(t,10)
```

```
A = 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74
```

Disconnect the TCPIP object from the host and stop the echo server.

```
fclose(t)
echotcpip('off')
```

### **Input Arguments**

#### RemoteHost — Remote host ID

char vector | string

Remote host ID, specified as a character vector or string, identifying IP address or host name.

```
Example: '127.0.0.1'
Data Types: char | string
```

#### RemotePort — Port on remote host

80 (default) | numeric value

Port on remote host, specified as a numeric integer value from 1 to 65535.

```
Example: 8001
```

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

### **Name-Value Pair Arguments**

Specify optional pairs of arguments as Name1=Value1,...,NameN=ValueN, where Name is the argument name and Value is the corresponding value. Name-value arguments must appear after other arguments, but the order of the pairs does not matter.

Before R2021a, use commas to separate each name and value, and enclose Name in quotes.

```
Example: 'NetworkRole', 'server'
```

#### NetworkRole — Network role of TCPIP interface object

```
'client' (default) | 'server'
```

Network role for TCPIP object, specified as 'client' or 'server'. For example, t = tcpip('localhost', 30000, 'NetworkRole', 'server') creates a TCPIP object, t, that is an interface for a server socket.

```
Example: 'server'
Data Types: char|string
```

### Name — Name of interface object

char | string

Name of interface object, specified as a character vector or string.

Example: 'TCPdev1'

Data Types: char | string

#### Timeout — Time limit for communication

numeric

Time limit in seconds for communication, specified as a numeric value. The default is 10 seconds.

Example: 60

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

### **Output Arguments**

#### t — TCPIP interface

interface object

TCPIP interface, returned as an interface object.

### **Compatibility Considerations**

#### Warns

Warns starting in R2022a

tcpip will be removed. Use tcpclient or tcpserver instead.

This example shows how to create a TCP/IP client using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
<pre>t = tcpip("127.0.0.1",3030,"NetworkRole","c fopen(t)</pre>	tientcpclient("127.0.0.1",3030);

This example shows how to create a TCP/IP server using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead
t = tcpip("192.168.2.15",3030,"NetworkRole fopen(t)  This binds to host "0.0.0.0" (internally) and port 3030 and only accepts client connections coming from "192.168.2.15". MATLAB is blocked until a client connection is established.	t"setcpserver("0.0.0.0",3030);  This binds to "0.0.0.0" and port 3030. "0.0.0.0" means that it accepts any incoming client connection requests on port 3030. MATLAB is not blocked.

The recommended interfaces have additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to topclient Interface" on page 7-36 or "Transition Your Code to topserver Interface" on page 7-43 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### To be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

The tcpip function (with NetworkRole set to server) runs without warning, but the Code Analyzer indicates that tcpip will be removed in a future release.

#### To be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

The tcpip function (with NetworkRole set to client) runs without warning, but the Code Analyzer indicates that tcpip will be removed in a future release.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

tcpclient | tcpserver | echotcpip | fclose | fopen | fread | fwrite

### **Properties**

LocalHost | LocalPort | LocalPortMode | Name | RemoteHost | RemotePort | Status | Type

#### Introduced before R2006a

# tcpserver

Create TCP/IP server

# **Description**

A tcpserver object represents a TCP/IP server that receives a TCP/IP client connection request from the specified IP address and port number and accepts the request. Once the server establishes a connection, you can receive data from and send data to the client using read and write functions. Each tcpserver object supports only one client connection at a time.

### Creation

### **Syntax**

```
t = tcpserver(address,port)
t = tcpserver(port)
t = tcpserver( ,Name,Value)
```

### **Description**

t = tcpserver(address,port) creates a TCP/IP server that listens for a TCP/IP client connection request at the IP address specified by address and the port number specified by port.

The input argument address sets the ServerAddress property and the input argument port sets the ServerPort property.

- t = tcpserver(port) creates a TCP/IP server that listens for a client connection request at port number port and IP address "::". This IP address indicates that the server accepts a client connection from any valid IP address on the machine.
- t = tcpserver(\_\_\_\_\_, Name, Value) creates a TCP/IP server and sets additional "Properties" on page 23-390 using one or more name-value pair arguments. Set the Timeout, ByteOrder, and ConnectionChangedFcn properties using name-value pair arguments. After any of the input argument combinations in the previous syntaxes, enclose each property name in quotes, followed by the property value.

For example, t = tcpserver(4000, "Timeout", 20, "ByteOrder", "big-endian") creates a TCP/IP server that listens for connections on port 4000 at the IP address "::". It sets the timeout period to 20 seconds and the byte order to big-endian.

# **Properties**

**Object Creation Properties** 

### ServerAddress — IP address where server listens

"::" (default) | character vector | string scalar

IP address where the server listens for TCP/IP client connections, specified as a character vector or string scalar. You can set this property to any valid IPV4 address, IPV6 address, or host name of the machine. This property can be set only at object creation.

Example: t = tcpserver("144.212.100.10", 4000) listens for connections at port 4000 and IP address 144.212.100.10.

**Note** If you specify a host name at object creation, tcpserver resolves it to an IPV4 or IPV6 address and sets ServerAddress to the resolved IP address.

Data Types: char | string

#### ServerPort — Port number where server listens

numeric

Port number where the server listens for TCP/IP client connections, specified as a number between 1 and 65535, inclusive. This property can be set only at object creation.

Example: t = tcpserver("144.212.100.10", 4000) listens for connections at port 4000 and IP address 144.212.100.10.

Data Types: double

#### Timeout — Allowed time to complete read and write operations

10 (default) | numeric

Allowed time in seconds to complete read and write operations, specified as a numeric value. Set this property at object creation using a name-value pair argument. You can also change it after object creation using dot notation.

Example: t = tcpserver("144.212.100.10", 4000, "Timeout", 20) sets the read/write timeout period to 20 seconds.

Data Types: double

### ByteOrder — Sequential order of bytes

"little-endian" (default) | "big-endian"

Sequential order in which bytes are arranged into larger numerical values, specified as "little-endian" or "big-endian". This only applies for the following numeric data types: uint16, int16, uint32, int32, uint64, int64, single, and double. Set this property at object creation using a name-value pair argument. You can also change it after object creation using dot notation.

Example: t = tcpserver("144.212.100.10",4000, "ByteOrder", "big-endian") sets the byte order to big-endian.

Data Types: char | string

# ConnectionChangedFcn — Callback function triggered by connection or disconnection event

function handle

Callback function triggered by connection or disconnection event, specified as a function handle. A connection or disconnection event occurs when a TCP/IP client connects to or disconnects from the server. Set this property at object creation using a name-value pair argument. You can also change it after object creation using dot notation. This property is empty until you assign a function handle.

Example: t =

tcpserver("144.212.100.10",4000, "ConnectionChangedFcn",@myConnectionFcn) sets the connection callback function to myConnectionFcn. When a client connects or disconnects, myConnectionFcn triggers.

Data Types: function\_handle

#### **Connection Properties**

#### Connected — Server connection status

false or 0 (default) | true or 1

This property is read-only.

Server connection status, returned as a numeric or logical 1 (true) or 0 (false). If the value of this property is true, a TCP/IP client is connected to the server.

You can connect to only one client at a time. If a client disconnects from the server, you can connect to another client immediately.

Data Types: logical

### ClientAddress — IP address of connected client

"" (default) | string scalar

This property is read-only.

IP address of the connected client, returned as a string. The value of this property matches the IP address of the client. The value of this property is empty until a TCP/IP client establishes a connection to the server. If a client disconnects from the server, the value of this property becomes empty.

Example: t.ClientAddress returns the IP address of the connected client.

Data Types: string

#### ClientPort — Port number of connected client

[] (default) | numeric

This property is read-only.

Port number of the connected client, returned as a double. The value of this property is empty until a TCP/IP client establishes a connection to the server.

Example: t.ClientPort returns the port number of the connected client.

Data Types: double

#### **Read and Write Properties**

#### Terminator — Terminator character for data

```
"LF" (default) | "CR" | "CR/LF" | 0 to 255
```

Terminator character for reading and writing ASCII-terminated data, returned as "LF", "CR", "CR/LF", or a numeric integer from 0 to 255, inclusive. If the read and write terminators are different, Terminator is returned as a 1x2 cell array of these values. Set this property with the configureTerminator function.

Example: configureTerminator(t, "CR") sets both the read and write terminators to "CR".

Example: configureTerminator(t, "CR", 10) sets the read terminator to "CR" and the write terminator to 10.

Data Types: double | char | string

#### NumBytesAvailable — Number of bytes available to read

0 (default) | numeric

This property is read-only.

Number of bytes available to read, returned as a numeric value.

Example: t.NumBytesAvailable returns the number of bytes available to read.

Data Types: double

### NumBytesWritten — Total number of bytes written

0 (default) | numeric

This property is read-only.

Total number of bytes written, returned as a numeric value. The value of this property does not reset to 0 when a client disconnects or reconnects to the server.

Example: t.NumBytesWritten returns the number of bytes written.

Data Types: double

#### **Callback Properties**

### BytesAvailableFcnMode — Bytes available callback trigger mode

"off" (default) | "byte" | "terminator"

Bytes available callback trigger mode, returned as "off", "byte", or "terminator". This setting determines if the callback is off, triggered by the number of bytes specified by BytesAvailableFcnCount, or triggered by the terminator specified by Terminator. Set this property with the configureCallback function.

Example: configureCallback(t,"byte",50,@callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger each time 50 bytes of new data are available to be read.

Example: configureCallback(t, "terminator", @callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger when a terminator is available to be read.

Example: configureCallback(t, "off") turns off callbacks.

Data Types: char | string

### BytesAvailableFcnCount — Number of bytes of data to trigger callback

64 (default) | numeric

Number of bytes of data to trigger the callback specified by BytesAvailableFcn, returned as a double. This value is used only when the BytesAvailableFcnMode property is "byte". Set these properties with the configureCallback function.

Example: configureCallback(t,"byte",50,@callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger each time 50 bytes of new data are available to be read.

Data Types: double

### BytesAvailableFcn — Callback function triggered by bytes available event

function handle

Callback function triggered by a bytes available event, returned as a function handle. A bytes available event is generated by receiving a certain number of bytes or a terminator. This property is empty until you assign a function handle. Set this property with the configureCallback function.

Example: configureCallback(t,"byte",50,@callbackFcn) sets the callbackFcn callback to trigger each time 50 bytes of new data are available to be read.

Data Types: function handle

### ErrorOccurredFcn — Callback function triggered by error event

function handle

Callback function triggered by an error event, returned as a function handle. An error event is generated when the network connection for the server is interrupted or lost. This property is empty until you assign a function handle.

Example: t.ErrorOccurredFcn = @myErrorFcn

Data Types: function\_handle

#### UserData — General purpose property for user data

any type

General purpose property for user data, returned as any MATLAB data type. For example, you can use this property to store data from a callback function.

Example: t.UserData

### **Object Functions**

read Read data sent to TCP/IP server

readline Read line of ASCII string data sent to TCP/IP server readbinblock Read one binblock of data sent to TCP/IP server

write Write data from TCP/IP server

writeline Write line of ASCII data from TCP/IP server writebinblock Write one binblock of data from TCP/IP server configureTerminator Set terminator for ASCII string communication

configureCallback Set callback function and trigger condition for communication

flush Clear buffers for communication using TCP/IP server

### **Examples**

#### Create TCP/IP Server that Listens at IP Address and Port Number

Create a TCP/IP server called t that listens for connections at your machine's IP address and port 4000. Your IP address is different from the one in this example. It must be any valid IPV4 address, IPV6 address, or host name of the adapter on the machine.

```
t = tcpserver("172.28.200.145",4000)
t =
   TCPServer with properties:
```

```
ServerAddress: "172.28.200.145"
ServerPort: 4000
Connected: 0
ClientAddress: ""
ClientPort: []
NumBytesAvailable: 0

Show all properties, functions
```

The values of the Connected, ClientAddress, and ClientPort properties indicate that a TCP/IP client is not connected to the server.

#### **Create TCP/IP Server that Listens at Port Number**

Create a TCP/IP server called t that listens for connections at all IP addresses and port 4000.

```
t = tcpserver(4000)
t =
   TCPServer with properties:
        ServerAddress: "::"
            ServerPort: 4000
            Connected: 0
        ClientAddress: ""
            ClientPort: []
        NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

The values of the Connected, ClientAddress, and ClientPort properties indicate that a TCP/IP client is not connected to the server.

#### Create TCP/IP Server and Set Timeout Period

Create a TCP/IP server called t and set the read and write timeout period to 20 seconds.

```
t = tcpserver(4000, "Timeout", 20)
t =
   TCPServer with properties:
        ServerAddress: "::"
        ServerPort: 4000
        Connected: 0
        ClientAddress: ""
        ClientPort: []
   NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

Display the value of Timeout.

```
t.Timeout
ans = 20
```

The output shows the specified timeout value, indicating that t waits for up to 20 seconds to complete a read or write operation.

#### Create TCP/IP Server and Set Connection Event Callback

Create a callback function called connectionFcn and save it as a .m file in the current working directory. When this callback function is invoked, it displays a message in the MATLAB Command Window indicating connection or disconnection. You can modify this code to perform read or write operations on your TCP/IP server instead of displaying a message.

```
function connectionFcn(src,~)
if src.Connected
  disp("This message is sent by the server after accepting the client connection request.")
else
  disp("Client has disconnected.")
end
end
```

Create the TCP/IP server called server and set the ConnectionChangedFcn property to a handle to the connectionEcn callback function.

```
server = tcpserver("localhost",4000, "ConnectionChangedFcn",@connectionFcn)
server =
   TCPServer with properties:
        ServerAddress: "127.0.0.1"
        ServerPort: 4000
        Connected: 0
        ClientAddress: ""
        ClientPort: []
   NumBytesAvailable: 0
   Show all properties, functions
```

Create a TCP/IP client called client with the same IP address and port number as your server.

This message is sent by the server after accepting the client connection request.

After you create the client, it connects to the server. This triggers a connection event for the server, which invokes the connectionFcn callback function. The callback function returns the message you see in the Command Window.

Disconnect the client from the server by clearing it.

```
clear client
```

Client has disconnected.

Clearing the client triggers a disconnection event for the server and returns the message from the connect ionEcn callback function.

### Write String Data from TCP/IP Server

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for a client connection request at the specified port and IP address. Then, write data from the server to the connected client.

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for connections at localhost and port 4000.

Create a TCP/IP client to connect to your server object using tcpclient. You must specify the same IP address and port number you use to create server.

See the values of the Connected, ClientAddress, and ClientPort properties for server.

server

```
server =
  TCPServer with properties:

    ServerAddress: "127.0.0.1"
        ServerPort: 4000
        Connected: 1
        ClientAddress: "127.0.0.1"
        ClientPort: 65136
    NumBytesAvailable: 0

Show all properties, functions
```

The output shows that server successfully accepts a request from client and that client establishes a connection to server.

Send data to the client by writing it using the server object. Since the client is connected to the server, this data is available in the client. Read this data from the client object.

```
write(server, "hello world", "string")
read(client, 11, "string")
ans =
"hello world"
```

### Read String Data Sent to TCP/IP Server

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for a client connection request at the specified port and IP address. Then read data sent to the server from the connected client.

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for connections at localhost and port 4000.

Create a TCP/IP client to connect to your server object using tcpclient. You must specify the same IP address and port number you use to create server.

```
Port: 4000
NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

Display the values of the Connected, ClientAddress, and ClientPort properties for server.

#### server

```
server =
  TCPServer with properties:

    ServerAddress: "127.0.0.1"
        ServerPort: 4000
        Connected: 1
    ClientAddress: "127.0.0.1"
        ClientPort: 65440
    NumBytesAvailable: 0

Show all properties, functions
```

The output shows that server successfully accepts a request from client and that client establishes a connection to server.

Write data to the TCP/IP client. Since the client is connected to the server, this data is available in the server. Read the first five values of string data using the server object.

```
write(client, "helloworld", "string")
read(server, 5, "string")
ans =
"hello"
```

If you read five more values, you receive the remaining string data.

```
read(server,5,"string")
ans =
"world"
```

### See Also

tcpclient | echotcpip

#### **Topics**

"Communicate Using TCP/IP Server Sockets" on page 7-34

### Introduced in R2021a

<sup>&</sup>quot;Communicate Between a TCP/IP Client and Server in MATLAB" on page 21-120

# trigger

(To be removed) Send trigger message to instrument

**Note** This visa and gpib object function will be removed in a future release. Use visadev object functions instead. For more information, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### **Syntax**

trigger(obj)

### **Arguments**

obi

A GPIB, VISA-GPIB, or VISA-VXI object.

### Description

trigger(obj) sends a trigger message to the instrument connected to obj.

### **Tips**

Before you can use trigger, obj must be connected to the instrument with the fopen function. A connected interface object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt to use trigger while obj is not connected to the instrument.

For GPIB and VISA-GPIB objects, the Group Execute Trigger (GET) message is sent to the instrument.

For VISA-VXI objects, if the TriggerType property is configured to software, the Word Serial Trigger command is sent to the instrument. If TriggerType is configured to hardware, a hardware trigger is sent on the line specified by the TriggerLine property.

### **Compatibility Considerations**

### visa object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

Use of this function with a visa object will be removed. To access a VISA resource, use a visadev object with its functions and properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

### gpib object interface will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

Use of this function with a gpib object will be removed. To access a GPIB instrument, use the VISA-GPIB interface with a visadev object, its functions, and its properties instead.

The recommended functionality has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to VISA-GPIB Interface" on page 4-16 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

### **See Also**

visatrigger | fopen | Status | TriggerLine | TriggerType

**Introduced before R2006a** 

# udp

(To be removed) Create UDP object

**Note** udp will be removed in a future release. Use udpport instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### **Syntax**

```
u = udp
u = udp(RemoteHost)
u = udp(RemoteHost,RemotePort)
u = udp(____,Name,Value)
```

### **Description**

u = udp creates a UDP object, u, not associated with a remote host. If you use this syntax, you must assign a remote host after object creation if you want to send data. If you want to only receive data, you do not need to set a remote host.

The UDP object must be bound to the local socket with the fopen function. The default local host in multihome hosts is the system default. The LocalPort property defaults to a value of [], allowing any free local port to be used. LocalPort is updated with a value when fopen is issued. When the UDP object is created, its Status property value is 'closed'. Once the object is bound to the local socket with fopen, Status is configured to 'open'.

The maximum packet size for reading is 8192 bytes. The input buffer can hold as many packets as defined by the InputBufferSize property value. You can write any data size to the output buffer. The data is sent in packets of at most 4096 bytes.

u = udp(RemoteHost) creates a UDP object associated with the remote host RemoteHost.

u = udp(RemoteHost, RemotePort) creates a UDP object with the specified remote port value, RemotePort. If not specified, the default remote port is 9090.

u = udp(\_\_\_\_, Name, Value) creates a UDP object and specifies additional options with one or more name-value pair arguments. If you specify an invalid property name or property value, the object is not created.

### **Examples**

### Write and Read with a UDP Echo Server

Use a UDP object to write to an echo server and read back the message.

Start the echo server and create a UDP object.

```
echoudp('on',4012)
u = udp('127.0.0.1',4012);
```

Connect the UDP object to the host.

```
fopen(u)
```

Write to the host, and then read from the host.

```
fwrite(u,65:74)
A = fread(u,10)
A =

65
66
67
68
69
70
71
72
73
74
```

Stop the echo server and disconnect the UDP object from the host.

```
echoudp('off')
fclose(u)
```

### **Input Arguments**

#### RemoteHost — Remote host ID

char vector | string

Remote host ID, specified as a character vector or string, identifying IP address or host name.

```
Example: '127.0.0.1'
Data Types: char|string
```

#### RemotePort — Port on remote host

9090 (default) | numeric value

Port on remote host, specified as a numeric integer value from 1 to 65535.

```
Example: 8001
```

```
Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64
```

#### **Name-Value Pair Arguments**

Specify optional pairs of arguments as Name1=Value1,..., NameN=ValueN, where Name is the argument name and Value is the corresponding value. Name-value arguments must appear after other arguments, but the order of the pairs does not matter.

Before R2021a, use commas to separate each name and value, and enclose Name in quotes.

```
Example: 'LocalPort',4080
```

Commonly used properties for this object are:

#### LocalPort — Port on local host

numeric value

Port on local host, specified as a numeric integer value from 1 to 65535.

Example: 4080

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

#### LocalPortMode — Port mode on local host

```
'auto' (default) | 'manual'
```

Port mode on local host, specified as 'manual' or 'auto'.

Example: 'manual'

Data Types: char | string

#### Timeout — Time limit for communication

numeric

Time limit in seconds for communication, specified as a numeric value. The default is 10 seconds.

Example: 60

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

### **Output Arguments**

#### u — UDP interface

interface object

UDP interface, returned as an interface object.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

#### Warns

Warns starting in R2022a

udp will be removed in a future release. Use udpport instead.

This example shows how to connect to a UDP socket using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead	
·	<pre>u = udpport("byte");</pre>	
fopen(u)	<pre>u = udpport("datagram");</pre>	

The recommended interface has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to udpport Interface" on page 8-18 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### To be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021a

The udp function runs without warning, but the Code Analyzer indicates that udp will be removed in a future release.

# See Also

### **Functions**

udpport | echoudp | fclose | fopen | fread | fwrite

### **Properties**

LocalHost | LocalPort | LocalPortMode | Name | RemoteHost | RemotePort | Status | Type

### **Introduced before R2006a**

# udpport

Connect to UDP socket

# **Description**

The udpport object allows you to perform byte-type and datagram-type UDP communication using a UDP socket on the local host.

### Creation

### **Syntax**

```
u = udpport
u = udpport("byte")
u = udpport(IPv)
u = udpport("byte",IPv)
u = udpport("datagram")
u = udpport("datagram",IPv)
u = udpport( ,Name,Value)
```

#### **Description**

u = udpport or u = udpport("byte") constructs a byte-type udpport object u, with an IP address version set to IPV4, bound to a UDP socket.

u = udpport(IPv) or u = udpport("byte", IPv) constructs a byte-type udpport object with an IP address version specified by IPv, which can be either "IPV4" or "IPV6".

u = udpport("datagram") constructs a datagram-type udpport object u, with an IP address version set to IPV4.

u = udpport("datagram", IPv) constructs a datagram-type udpport object with an IP address version specified by IPv, which can be either "IPV4" or "IPV6".

u = udpport( \_\_\_\_, Name, Value) constructs a udpport object and sets specified object properties using name-value pair arguments. If you specify an invalid property name or value, the function does not create the object. udpport properties that can be set using name-value pair arguments are LocalHost, LocalPort, Timeout, ByteOrder, OutputDatagramSize, and EnablePortSharing.

#### **Input Arguments**

#### IPv — IP address version

```
"IPV4" (default) | "IPV6"
```

IP address version, specified as "IPV4" or "IPV6".

**Note** The IP address version must be consistent across your setup. You cannot communicate between an IPV4 socket and IPV6 address, or vice versa.

#### **Name-Value Pair Arguments**

Specify optional pairs of arguments as Name1=Value1,..., NameN=ValueN, where Name is the argument name and Value is the corresponding value. Name-value arguments must appear after other arguments, but the order of the pairs does not matter.

Before R2021a, use commas to separate each name and value, and enclose Name in quotes.

Properties that support Name-Value arguments are LocalHost, LocalPort, Timeout, ByteOrder, OutputDatagramSize, and EnablePortSharing. Of these, LocalHost, LocalPort, and EnablePortSharing become read-only after the udpport object is created.

Example: "Timeout",60

### **Properties**

#### Properties Common to Byte and Datagram udpport Objects

#### IPAddressVersion — Version type for IP address

"IPV4" (default) | "IPV6"

This property is read-only.

Version type for IP address, specified as "IPV4" or "IPV6".

Example: "IPV6"

Data Types: char | string

#### LocalHost — Local host name or IP address

string | character vector

This property is read-only.

Local host name or dotted-decimal IP address, specified as a character vector or string. If you do not specify a value for LocalHost when you create the udpport object, the default value is "0.0.0.0" for IPV4, or "::" for IPV6.

Example: "144.133.0.0"

Data Types: char | string

#### LocalPort — Port of local host for binding

numeric

This property is read-only.

Port of local host for binding for UDP, specified as a numeric value from 0 to 65535. If you do not specify a value for LocalPort when you create the udpport object, a value is automatically assigned.

Example: 50791

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

#### ByteOrder — Sequential arrangement of bytes

"little-endian" (default) | "big-endian"

Sequential order in which bytes are arranged into larger numerical values, specified as "little-endian" or "big-endian".

Example: "big-endian"

Data Types: char | string

#### Timeout — Time allowed for read and write operations

10 (default) | double

Time allowed for read and write operations in seconds, specified as a double.

Example: 20

Data Types: double

#### OutputDatagramSize — Maximum number of bytes written in datagram packet

512 (default) | double

Maximum number of bytes of data to be written in a datagram packet, specified as a double value from 1 to 65507.

Example: 512

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

#### EnablePortSharing — Allow other UDP sockets to bind to same local port

false (0) (default) | true (1)

This property is read-only.

Setting to allow other UDP sockets to bind to the same local port as this socket, specified as logical true (1) or false (0).

Example: true

Data Types: logical

#### EnableBroadcast — Allow broadcasting

false (0) (default) | true (1)

Setting to allow broadcasting, specified as logical true (1) or false (0).

Example: true

Data Types: logical

#### **EnableMulticast** — **Allow multicast**

false (0) (default) | true (1)

This property is read-only.

Setting to allow multicast, specified as logical true (1) or false (0).

Example: true

Data Types: logical

#### MulticastGroup — IP address group to receive multicast data

string

This property is read-only.

IP address group to subscribe to for receiving multicast data. Set this property with the configureMulticast function.

Example: "226.0.0.1"

Data Types: char | string

#### EnableMulticastLoopback — Allow looping back if sender is in multicast group

true (1) (default) | false (0)

This property is read-only.

Indicate looping back of data in udpport multicast if the sender is subscribed to the same multicast group, specified as a logical. Set this property with the configureMulticast function.

Example: false
Data Types: logical

#### ErrorOccurredFcn — Function to call when error event occurs

function handle

Function to call when an error event occurs, specified as a function handle.

Example: @myErrorFun

Data Types: function\_handle

#### UserData — Application-specific data

any type

Application-specific data for this udpport instance. This is a general purpose property for user data, specified as any MATLAB data type. For example, you can use this property to store data when an event is triggered from a callback function.

Example: datetime()

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | logical | char | string | struct | table | cell | function\_handle | categorical | datetime | duration | calendarDuration | fi

#### **Byte udpport Object Properties**

#### NumBytesAvailable — Number of bytes available to be read

double

This property is read-only.

Number of bytes available to be read, returned as a double.

Example: 512

Data Types: double

#### NumBytesWritten — Number of bytes written to udpport socket

double

This property is read-only.

Number of bytes written to udpport socket, returned as a double.

Example: 48

Data Types: double

#### Terminator — Terminator for ASCII string communication

"LF" (default) | "CR" | "CR/LF" | numeric

This property is read-only.

Terminator for ASCII-terminated string communication, returned as a string or numeric value. If the read and write operations have different terminators, the values are retuned as a cell array. To set this property value, use the configureTerminator function.

Example: "CR/LF"

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | string | cell

### BytesAvailableFcn — Function called when bytes-available event occurs

function handle

This property is read-only.

Function called when a bytes-available event occurs, specified as a function handle. To set this property value, use the configureCallback function.

Example: @myAvailFun

Data Types: function handle

### BytesAvailableFcnCount — Number of available bytes to trigger event

numeric

This property is read-only.

Number of bytes required in the input buffer to trigger a bytes-available event, returned as a numeric value. This property applies only when BytesAvailableFcnMode is "byte". To set this property value, use the configureCallback function.

Example: 64

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

### BytesAvailableFcnMode — Condition for triggering BytesAvailableFcn callback

"off" (default) | "byte" | "terminator"

This property is read-only.

Condition for triggering BytesAvailableFcn callback, returned as "off", "byte", or "terminator". To set this property value, use the configureCallback function.

Example: "byte"

Data Types: string

#### **Datagram udpport Object Properties**

# NumDatagramsAvailable — Number of datagrams available to be read

double

This property is read-only.

Number of datagrams available to be read, returned as a double.

Example: 64

Data Types: double

### NumDatagramsWritten — Number of datagrams written to udpport socket

double

This property is read-only.

Number of datagrams written to udpport socket, returned as a double.

Example: 8

Data Types: double

### DatagramsAvailableFcn — Function called when datagrams-available event occurs

function handle

This property is read-only.

Function called when a datagrams-available event occurs, returned as a function handle. To set this property value, use the configureCallback function.

Example: @myAvailFcn

Data Types: function handle

# ${\tt DatagramsAvailableFcnCount-Number\ of\ available\ datagrams\ to\ trigger\ event}$

numeric

This property is read-only.

Number of available datagrams to trigger a datagrams-available event, returned as a numeric value. This property applies only when BytesAvailableFcnMode is "datagram". To set this property value, use the configureCallback function.

Example: 16

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

# DatagramsAvailableFcnMode — Condition for triggering DatagramsAvailableFcn callback "off" (default) | "datagram"

This property is read-only.

Condition for triggering a DatagramsAvailableFcn callback, returned as "off" or "datagram". To set this property value, use the configureCallback function.

Example: "datagram"

Data Types: string

### **Object Functions**

Functions for byte-type and datagram-type udpport interfaces:

read Read data from UDP socket write Write data to UDP socket

configureCallback Set callback function and trigger condition for communication with UDP socket

configureMulticast Set multicast properties for communication with UDP socket

flush Clear UDP socket buffers

Functions for a byte-type udpport interface only:

readline Read line of ASCII string data from UDP socket

writeline Write line of ASCII data to UDP socket

configureTerminator Set terminator for ASCII string communication with UDP socket

### **Examples**

#### **Send and Receive UDP Bytes**

This example shows common tasks of byte-type UDP communication.

Construct a byte-type udpport object.

Write a vector of uint8 data via the udpport socket to a specified address and port...

```
write(u,1:5, "uint8", "125.0.1.4", 2020);
```

Read 10 values of uint16 data from the udpport socket.

```
data = read(u, 10, "uint16");
```

Define the terminator, and send a string via the udpport socket to a specified address and port.

```
configureTerminator(u, "CR/LF");
writeline(u, "hello", "125.0.1.4", 2020);
```

Read an ASCII-terminated string from the udpport socket.

```
data = readline(u);
```

Subscribe to a multicast address group.

```
configureMulticast(u,"226.0.0.1");
```

Configure a callback to trigger when 50 bytes are available.

```
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```

#### **Send and Receive UDP Datagrams**

This example shows common tasks of datagram-type UDP communication.

Construct a datagram-type udpport object.

Write a vector of uint8 data via the udpport socket to a specified address and port.

```
write(u,1:5, "uint8", "125.0.1.4", 2020);
```

Read one datagram packet as uint16 data.

```
data = read(u,1,"uint16");
```

Subscribe to a multicast address group.

```
configureMulticast(u,"226.0.0.1");
```

Configure a callback to trigger when 5 datagrams are available.

```
configureCallback(u, "datagram", 5, @myCallbackFcn);
```

Flush the output buffer, then disconnect and clear the udpport connection.

```
flush(u,"output");
clear u
```

#### **Control Datagram Size**

This example shows how datagram size affects data segmentation.

Turn echoudp on at port 3030, then create a datagram-type udpport object with an OutputDatagramSize of 5.

```
echoudp("on",3030);
u = udpport("datagram","OutputDatagramSize",5);
```

Send 20 bytes of uint8 data to the echoudp port.

```
write(u,1:20,"uint8","127.0.0.1",3030);
```

Because OutputDatagramSize is set to 5, the 20 bytes are sent as 4 datagram packets, each containing 5 bytes of data.

Verify that 4 datagrams were received from the echo server.

```
u.NumDatagramsAvailable
```

```
ans =
```

Read the 4 datagrams received from the echo server.

```
data = read(u,u.NumDatagramsAvailable,"uint8")
data =
    1×4 Datagram array with properties:
    Data
    SenderAddress
    SenderPort
```

The first datagram contains the values 1-5 (5 bytes), the second 6-10, the third 11-15, and the fourth 16-20.

View the third datagram.

```
data(3)
```

#### **Allow UDP Port Sharing**

Allow multiple udpport objects to share the same local port.

Create a udpport object bound to LocalPort 3030.

```
u1 = udpport("LocalPort",3030,"EnablePortSharing",true);
```

Create a separate udpport object using the same port.

```
u2 = udpport("LocalPort",3030, "EnablePortSharing", true);
```

EnablePortSharing must be true for both udpport objects.

# **See Also**

**Functions** echoudp

Introduced in R2020b

# update

Update entry of IVI configuration store object

### **Syntax**

```
update(obj, 'type', 'name', 'P1', V1, ...)
update(obj, struct)
```

### **Arguments**

obj IVI configuration store object.

'type' Type of entry; type can be HardwareAsset, DriverSession, or

LogicalName.

'name' Name of the DriverSession, HardwareAsset, or LogicalName to be

updated.

'P1' First parameter for updated entry; other parameter-value pairs may follow.

V1 Value for first parameter.

struct Structure defining entry fields to be updated.

# **Description**

update(obj, 'type', 'name', 'P1', V1, ...) updates an entry of type, type, with name, name, in IVI configuration store object, obj, using the specified parameter-value pairs. type can be HardwareAsset, DriverSession, or LogicalName.

If an entry of type, type with name, name does not exist, an error will occur.

Valid parameters for a DriverSession are listed below. The default value for on/off parameters is off.

Parameter	Value	Description
Name	character vector	A unique name for the driver session.
SoftwareModule	character vector	The name of a software module entry in the configuration store.
HardwareAsset	character vector	The name of a hardware asset entry in the configuration store.
Description	Any character vector	Description of driver session
VirtualNames	structure	A struct array containing virtual name mappings
Cache	on/off	Enable caching if the driver supports it.
DriverSetup	Any character vector	This value is software module dependent

Parameter	Value	Description
InterchangeCheck	on/off	Enable driver interchangeability checking, if supported
QueryInstrStatus	on/off	Enable instrument status querying by the driver
RangeCheck	on/off	Enable extended range checking by the driver, if supported
RecordCoercions	on/off	Enable recording of coercions by the driver, if supported
Simulate	on/off	Enable simulation by the driver

Valid fields for HardwareAsset are

Parameter	Value	Description
Name	character vector	A unique name for the hardware asset
Description	Any character vector	Description of hardware asset
IOResourceDescriptor	character vector	The I/O address of the hardware asset

Valid fields for LogicalName are

Parameter	Value	Description
Name	character vector	A unique name for the logical name
Description	Any character vector	Description of hardware asset
Session	character vector	The name of a driver session entry in the configuration store

update(obj, struct) updates the entry using the fields in struct. If an entry with the type and name field in struct does not exist, an error will occur. Note that the name field cannot be updated using this syntax.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

# **Examples**

Update the Description parameter of the driver session named ScopeSession in the IVI configuration store object named c.

```
c = iviconfigurationstore;
update(c, 'DriverSession', 'ScopeSession', 'Description', ...
'A session.');
```

# See Also

iviconfigurationstore|add|commit|remove

Introduced before R2006a

# visa

(To be removed) Create VISA object

**Note** visa will be removed in a future release. Use visadev instead. For more information on updating your code, see "Compatibility Considerations".

### **Syntax**

```
obj = visa('vendor','rsrcname')
```

### **Arguments**

'*vendor*' A supported VISA vendor.

'rsrcname' The resource name of the VISA instrument.

'PropertyName' A VISA property name.

PropertyValue A property value supported by *PropertyName*.

obj The VISA object.

### Description

obj = visa('vendor','rsrcname') creates the VISA object obj with a resource name given by rsrcname for the vendor specified by vendor.

You must first configure your VISA resources in the vendor's tool first, and then you create these VISA objects. Use instrhwinfo to find the commands to configure the objects:

```
vinfo = instrhwinfo('visa','keysight');
vinfo.ObjectConstructorName
```

If an invalid vendor or resource name is specified, an error is returned and the VISA object is not created. For a list of supported values for *vendor* see Supported Vendor and Resource Names. on page 5-3

# **Examples**

Create a VISA-serial object connected to serial port COM1 using National Instruments VISA interface.

```
vs = visa('ni', 'ASRL1::INSTR');
```

Create a VISA-GPIB object connected to board 0 with primary address 1 and secondary address 30 using Keysight VISA interface.

```
vg = visa('keysight','GPIB0::1::30::INSTR');
```

Create a VISA-VXI object connected to a VXI instrument located at logical address 8 in the first VXI chassis.

```
vv = visa('keysight','VXI0::8::INSTR');
```

Create a VISA-GPIB-VXI object connected to a GPIB-VXI instrument located at logical address 72 in the second VXI chassis.

```
vgv = visa('keysight','GPIB-VXI1::72::INSTR');
```

Create a VISA-RSIB object connected to an instrument configured with IP address 192.168.1.33.

```
vr = visa('ni', 'RSIB::192.168.1.33::INSTR')
```

Create a VISA-TCPIP object connected to an instrument configured with IP address 216.148.60.170.

```
vt = visa('tek', 'TCPIP::216.148.60.170::INSTR')
```

Create a VISA-USB object connected to a USB instrument with manufacturer ID 0x1234, model code 125, and serial number A22-5.

```
vu = visa('keysight', 'USB::0x1234::125::A22-5::INSTR')
```

### Tips

At any time, you can use the instrhelp function to view a complete listing of properties and functions associated with VISA objects.

```
instrhelp visa
```

You can specify the property names and property values using any format supported by the set function. For example, you can use property name/property value cell array pairs. Additionally, you can specify property names without regard to case, and you can make use of property name completion. For example, the following commands are all valid.

```
v = visa('ni','GPIB0::1::INSTR','SecondaryAddress', 96);
v = visa('ni','GPIB0::1::INSTR','secondaryaddress', 96);
v = visa('ni','GPIB0::1::INSTR','SECOND', 96);
```

Before you can communicate with the instrument, it must be connected to obj with the fopen function. A connected VISA object has a Status property value of open. An error is returned if you attempt a read or write operation while obj is not connected to the instrument. You cannot connect multiple VISA objects to the same instrument.

#### Creating a VISA-GPIB Object

When you create a VISA-GPIB object, these properties are automatically configured:

- Type is given by visa-gpib.
- Name is given by concatenating VISA-GPIB with the board index, the primary address, and the secondary address.
- BoardIndex, PrimaryAddress, SecondaryAddress, and RsrcName are given by the values specified during object creation.

#### Creating a VISA-GPIB-VXI Object

When you create a VISA-GPIB-VXI object, these properties are automatically configured:

- Type is given by visa-gpib-vxi.
- Name is given by concatenating VISA-GPIB-VXI with the chassis index and the logical address specified in the visa function.
- ChassisIndex, LogicalAddress, and RsrcName are given by the values specified during object creation.
- BoardIndex, PrimaryAddress, and SecondaryAddress are given by the visa driver after the object is connected to the instrument with fopen.

#### Creating a VISA-RSIB Object

When you create a VISA-RSIB object, these properties are automatically configured:

- Type is given by visa-rsib.
- Name is given by concatenating VISA-RSIB with the remote host specified in the visa function.
- RemoteHost and RsrcName are given by the values specified during object creation.

#### **Creating a VISA-Serial Object**

When you create a VISA-serial object, these properties are automatically configured:

- Type is given by visa-serial.
- Name is given by concatenating VISA-Serial with the port specified in the visa function.
- Port and RsrcName are given by the values specified during object creation.

#### **Creating a VISA-TCPIP Object**

When you create a VISA-TCPIP object, these properties are automatically configured:

- Type is given by visa-tcpip.
- Name is given by concatenating VISA-TCPIP with the board index, remote host, and LAN device name specified in the visa function.
- BoardIndex, RemoteHost, LANNAme, and RsrcName are given by the values specified during object creation.

#### Creating a VISA-USB Object

When you create a VISA-USB object, these properties are automatically configured:

- Type is given by visa-usb.
- Name is given by concatenating VISA-USB with the board index, manufacturer ID, model code, serial number, and interface number specified in the visa function.
- BoardIndex, ManufacturerID, ModelCode, SerialNumber, InterfaceIndex, and RsrcName are given by the values specified during object creation.

#### Creating a VISA-VXI Object

When you create a VISA-VXI object, these properties are automatically configured:

- Type is given by visa-vxi.
- Name is given by concatenating VISA-VXI with the chassis index and the logical address specified in the visa function.

• ChassisIndex, LogicalAddress, and RsrcName are given by the values specified during object creation.

# **Compatibility Considerations**

#### Warns

Warns starting in R2022a

visa will be removed in a future release. Use visadev instead.

This example shows how to connect to a VISA device using the recommended functionality.

Functionality	Use This Instead		
<pre>v = visa('ni','GPIB0::1::0::INSTR'); fopen(v)</pre>	<pre>v = visadev('GPIB0::1::0::INSTR');</pre>		

The recommended interface has additional capabilities and improved performance. See "Transition Your Code to visadev Interface" on page 5-31 for more information about using the recommended functionality.

#### To be removed

Not recommended starting in R2021b

The visa function runs without warning, but the Code Analyzer indicates that visa will be removed in a future release.

#### See Also

visadev | fclose | fopen | instrhelp | instrhwinfo | BoardIndex | ChassisIndex | InterfaceIndex | LANName | LogicalAddress | ManufacturerID | ModelCode | Name | Port | PrimaryAddress | RsrcName | SecondaryAddress | SerialNumber | Status | Type

#### Introduced before R2006a

# visadev

Create connection to device using VISA

# **Description**

A visadev object represents a connection to a device or instrument using the VISA interface. The following interface types are supported: TCP/IP (using VXI11 and HiSLIP), TCP/IP Socket, USB, GPIB, Serial, VXI, and PXI. Identify devices available to connect to using visadevlist. Then, connect to the device or instrument using visadev.

### Creation

### **Syntax**

v = visadev(resourceName)
v = visadev(resourceAlias)

#### **Description**

v = visadev(resourceName) creates a connection to a device using its VISA resource name. Establish a connection using an installed VISA driver. If you have multiple VISA drivers installed, MATLAB uses the preferred VISA set in your VISA vendor's configuration utility software.

v = visadev(resourceAlias) creates a connection to a device using its VISA alias, if it has one. If the configuration utility does not yet recognize the device, you cannot connect using the alias and must use the resource name.

#### **Input Arguments**

#### resourceName — VISA resource name

character vector | string scalar

VISA resource name, specified as a character vector or string scalar. You can identify the name of the resource you want to connect to using the information returned by visadevlist. This input sets the ResourceName property.

Example: gpibdev = visadev("GPIB0::5::INSTR") connects to the GPIB device specified by the VISA resource name GPIB0::5::INSTR.

Data Types: char | string

#### resourceAlias — VISA alias associated with resource

character vector | string scalar

VISA alias associated with a resource, specified as a character vector or string scalar. Identify the alias of the resource you want to connect to using the information returned by visadevlist. You can use an alias only if an alias is assigned using the VISA vendor's configuration utility software. This input sets the Alias property.

Example: serialdev = visadev("COM4") connects to the serial device specified by the VISA resource alias COM4.

Data Types: char | string

### **Properties**

See visadev Properties for a full list of properties.

### **Object Functions**

read Read data from VISA resource

readline Read line of ASCII string data from VISA resource readbinblock Read one binblock of data from VISA resource

write Write data to VISA resource

writeline Write line of ASCII data to VISA resource writebinblock Write one binblock of data to VISA resource

writeread Write command to VISA resource and read response

configureTerminator Set terminator for ASCII string communication with VISA resource

flush Clear buffers for communication with VISA resource

visastatus Check status of VISA resource

visatrigger Send trigger message to GPIB or VXI instruments

setDTR Set serial DTR pin setRTS Set serial RTS pin getpinstatus Get serial pin status

# **Examples**

#### **Connect to VISA Resource Using Name or Alias**

Search for and establish a connection to your VISA resource.

Search for available VISA resources.

```
resourceList = visadevlist
```

```
resourceList =
```

6×6 table

	ResourceName	Alias	Vendor	
1	"USB0::0x0699::0x036A::CU010105::0::INSTR"	"NI SCOPE 4CH"	"TEKTRONIX"	
2	"TCPIP0::169.254.2.20::inst0::INSTR"	"Keysight 33210A"	"Agilent Technologies	
3	"ASRL1::INSTR"	"COM1"	пп	
4	"ASRL3::INSTR"	"C0M3"	нн	
5	"GPIB0::5::INSTR"	"FGEN 2CH"	"Agilent Technologies	
6	"GPIB0::11::INSTR"	"OSCOPE_2CH"	"TEKTRONIX"	

Create a connection to the first resource over the VISA-USB interface using the resource name.

```
usbdev = visadev("USB0::0x0699::0x036A::CU010105::0::INSTR")
```

### **Compatibility Considerations**

#### visadev interface no longer supports callback functions

Behavior changed in R2022a

Callback functions are no longer supported for the visadev interface. The configureCallback function and the NumBytesAvailable, BytesAvailableFcnMode, BytesAvailableFcnCount, and BytesAvailableFcn properties and are no longer supported for visadev objects.

#### See Also

visadevlist

Introduced in R2021a

# visadevlist

List available VISA resources

### **Syntax**

```
resourceList = visadevlist
resourceList = visadevlist("Timeout", time)
```

### **Description**

resourceList = visadevlist returns a table containing information about available VISA resources using an installed VISA driver. If you have multiple drivers installed, MATLAB uses the preferred VISA set in your VISA vendor's configuration utility software. The following interface types are supported: TCP/IP (using VXI11 and HiSLIP), TCP/IP Socket, USB, GPIB, Serial, VXI, and PXI. Use visadev to connect to a device.

resourceList = visadevlist("Timeout", time) returns all VISA resources found within the specified period, in seconds. The default timeout period is 10 seconds. The value of time must be 2 or greater.

### **Examples**

#### List Available VISA Resources

Use visadevlist to list all available VISA resources on your machine.

```
resourceList = visadevlist
```

```
resourceList = 6×6 table
```

	ResourceName	Alias	Vendor	
1 2 3 4 5 6	"USB0::0x0699::0x036A::CU010105::0::INSTR" "TCPIP0::169.254.2.20::inst0::INSTR" "ASRL1::INSTR" "ASRL3::INSTR" "GPIB0::5::INSTR" "GPIB0::11::INSTR"	"NI_SCOPE_4CH" "Keysight_33210A" "COM1" "COM3" "FGEN_2CH" "OSCOPE_2CH"	"TEKTRONIX" "Agilent Technologies "" "" "Agilent Technologies "TEKTRONIX"	

ResourceName and Alias identify each resource, and you can use either one as an input when you create a visadev object. The Vendor, Model, and SerialNumber columns provide additional information about the instrument or device. The Type column contains the type of VISA interface.

### **Output Arguments**

#### resourceList - List of VISA resources

table

List of VISA resources, returned as a table. The table has the following columns.

#### ResourceName — VISA resource name

string scalar

VISA resource name, returned as a string scalar. The resource name identifies information about the resource, such as interface type, address, board, or port number. Use this name as an input for visadev to create a connection to your VISA resource.

#### Alias — VISA alias associated with resource

string scalar

VISA alias associated with a resource, specified as a character vector or string scalar. If an alias has been assigned to a VISA resource using the vendor's configuration utility software, it appears here. You can use this name as an input for visadev to create a connection to your VISA resource.

#### Vendor — Instrument manufacturer

string scalar

Instrument manufacturer, returned as a character vector or string scalar. This value is empty if the VISA interface type does not provide information about the manufacturer.

#### Model — Instrument model

string scalar

Instrument model, returned as a character vector or string scalar. This value is empty if the VISA interface type does not provide information about the model.

#### SerialNumber — Unique serial number associated with instrument

string scalar

Unique serial number associated with an instrument, returned as a character vector or string scalar. This value is empty if the VISA interface type does not provide information about the serial number.

#### Type — Type of VISA resource

gpib | pxi | serial | socket | tcpip | usb | vxi

Type of VISA resource, returned as one of the supported VISA interfaces. Some properties and object functions are specific to an interface type.

#### See Also

visadev

#### Introduced in R2021a

# visastatus

Check status of VISA resource

### **Syntax**

```
tf = visastatus(v)
[tf,status] = visastatus(v)
```

### **Description**

tf = visastatus(v) returns 1 (true) if the VISA resource v has requested and is ready for service and returns 0 (false) if it has not requested service.

[tf,status] = visastatus(v) returns the full status byte register containing event information.

### **Examples**

#### **Check VISA Resource Status**

Create a connection to an oscilloscope using the VISA-GPIB interface.

```
v = visadev("GPIB0::11::INSTR");
```

Configure the oscilloscope to request service when a command error occurs.

```
writeline(v,"*CLS");
writeline(v,"*PSC 0");
writeline(v,"*ESE 0");
writeline(v,"DESE 0");
writeline(v,"*SRE 32");
```

Send the "Volt?" query to the oscilloscope. Since it is an invalid command, a command error occurs.

```
writeline(v,"Volt?");
```

Check whether the oscilloscope has requested service.

```
ans =
logical
1
```

visastatus(v)

Since a command error occurs when you send the "Volt?" command, the oscilloscope has requested service.

### **Input Arguments**

#### v - VISA resource

visadev object

VISA resource, specified as a visadev object.

Example: visastatus(v) checks the status of the VISA resource service request.

### **Output Arguments**

#### tf — True or false result

1 | 0

True or false result, returned as a 1 or 0 of data type logical.

Data Types: logical

#### status — Status byte register

double | 0 to 255

Status byte register, returned as a positive integer from 0 to 255. You can convert this value to its binary value using dec2bin and interpret each bit as information about the VISA resource.

Each bit is associated with a type of event. For example, bit 6 (RQS) indicates the status of the VISA resource service request.

#### **Status Byte Register Bits**

Bit	Label	Description	
0-3	-	Instrument-specific summary messages.	
4	MAV	The Message Available bit indicates if data is available in the Output Queue. MAV is 1 if the Output Queue contains data. MAV is 0 if the Output Queue is empty.	
5	ESB	The Event Status bit indicates if one or more enabled events have occurred. ESB is 1 if an enabled event occurs. ESB is 0 if no enabled events occur. You enable events with the Standard Event Status Enable Register.	
either MAV or ESB		The Master Summary Status summarizes the ESB and MAV bits. MSS is 1 if either MAV or ESB is 1. MSS is 0 if both MAV and ESB are 0. This bit is obtained from the *STB? command.	
	RQS	The Request Service bit indicates that the instrument requests service. This bit can be used for serial polling.	
7	-	Instrument-specific summary message.	

Data Types: double

### **See Also**

visadev

### **Topics**

"Execute Serial Polls" on page 5-28

### Introduced in R2021a

# visatrigger

Send trigger message to GPIB or VXI instruments

### **Syntax**

visatrigger(v)

### **Description**

visatrigger(v) sends a trigger message to all GPIB or VXI instruments on the same bus as v. This function is only for VISA-GPIB and VISA-VXI interfaces.

### **Examples**

#### **Send Trigger Message to VISA-GPIB Instruments**

Create a connection to an instrument associated with bus GPIB0 using the VISA-GPIB interface.

```
v = visadev("GPIB0::1::0::INSTR");
```

Send a trigger command to all GPIB instruments on GPIB0.

visatrigger(v);

### **Input Arguments**

#### v — VISA resource

visadev object

VISA resource, specified as a visadev object.

Example: visatrigger(v) sends a trigger message.

#### See Also

visadev

#### **Topics**

"Send Trigger Message" on page 5-26

#### Introduced in R2021a

# write

Write data to serial port

### **Syntax**

write(device, data, datatype)

### Description

write(device, data, datatype) writes the row or column vector data to the specified serial port connection device. The function writes the data in the specified data type datatype, regardless of the format in data. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the specified values are written.

### **Examples**

#### Write and Read Data with Serial Port Device

Create a connection to a serial port device. In this example, the serial port at COM3 is connected to a loopback device.

Write the values [1,2,3,4,5] in uint8 format.

```
write(device,1:5,"uint8")
```

Since the port is connected to a loopback device, the data you write to the device is returned to MATLAB. Read all the data.

# **Input Arguments**

```
device — Serial port connection
```

serialport object

Serial port connection, specified as a serialport object.

Example: write(device, 1:5, "uint8") writes to the serial port connection device.

#### data — Numeric or ASCII data

numeric | character vector | string scalar

Numeric or ASCII data, specified as a row (1-by-N) or column (N-by-1) vector of numeric values or as a character vector or string scalar of text. For all numeric datatype types, data is a row vector of values.

Example: write(device, [20:24], "int16") writes the values [20,21,22,23,24].

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

#### datatype — Size and format of each value

```
"uint8" | "int8" | "uint16" | "int16" | "uint32" | "int32" | "uint64" | "int64" | "single" | "double" | "char" | "string"
```

Size and format of each value, specified as a character vector or string. datatype determines the number of bytes to write for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type. For ASCII text, you can specify datatype as either "char" or "string".

Example: write (device, 1:5, "int16") writes data as int16 data type.

Data Types: char | string

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

serialport | read | writeline | writebinblock

Introduced in R2019b

# write

Write data to remote host over TCP/IP

### **Syntax**

```
write(t,data)
write(t,data,datatype)
```

### **Description**

write(t,data) sends the N-dimensional matrix, data, to the remote host specified by the TCP/IP client t. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the specified values are written to the remote host.

write(t,data,datatype) sends data in the form specified by datatype, regardless of the format in the matrix of data.

### **Examples**

#### Write and Read uint8 Data from Remote Host

Create a TCP/IP client connection called t, connecting to a TCP/IP echo server with port 4000. To do so, you must have an echotcpip server running on port 4000.

The write function synchronously writes data to the remote host connected to t. First specify the data and then write the data. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the specified number of values is written to the remote host.

Assign 10 bytes of uint8 data to the variable data.

```
data = uint8(1:10)
data = 1×10 uint8 row vector

1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9  10
```

View the data.

#### whos data

Name	Size	Bytes	Class	Attributes
data	1×10	10	uint8	

Write data to the echo server.

```
write(t,data)
```

Confirm the success of the writing operation by viewing the NumBytesAvailable property.

#### t.NumBytesAvailable

```
ans = 10
```

Since the client is connected to an echo server, the data you write to the server is returned to the client. Read all the bytes of data available.

#### read(t)

Using the read function with no arguments reads all available bytes of data from t connected to the remote host and returns the data. The number of values read is determined by the NumBytesAvailable property, which is the number of bytes available in the input buffer.

Close the connection between the TCP/IP client and the remote host by clearing the object. Turn off the echotcpip server.

```
clear t
echotcpip("off")
```

### Input Arguments

#### t — TCP/IP client

tcpclient object

TCP/IP client, specified as a tcpclient object.

Example: write(t,data) writes to the TCP/IP client t.

#### data — Numeric or ASCII data

numeric | character vector | string scalar

Numeric or ASCII data, specified as a row (1-by-N) or column (N-by-1) vector of numeric values or as a character vector or string scalar of text. For all numeric datatype types, data is a row vector of values.

```
Example: write(t,1:5) writes the values [1,2,3,4,5].
```

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

#### datatype — Size and format of each value

```
"uint8" (default) | "int8" | "uint16" | "int16" | "uint32" | "int32" | "uint64" | "int64" | "single" | "double" | "char" | "string"
```

Size and format of each value, specified as a character vector or string. datatype determines the number of bytes to write for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

Example: write(t,1:5, "double") writes the values [1,2,3,4,5] as double data.

Data Types: char | string

# **Extended Capabilities**

#### **C/C++ Code Generation**

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

tcpclient | read | writeline

#### **Topics**

"Create TCP/IP Client and Configure Settings" on page 7-3

"Write and Read Data over TCP/IP Interface" on page 7-7

#### Introduced in R2014b

# write

Write data from TCP/IP server

### **Syntax**

```
write(t,data)
write(t,data,datatype)
```

### **Description**

write(t,data) writes the row or column vector data from the TCP/IP server t to the client connected to it. The value of the Connected property of t must be 1 (true) before you can write from it.

write(t,data,datatype) writes data in the form specified by datatype, regardless of the format in data.

### **Examples**

#### Write uint8 Data from TCP/IP Server

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for a client connection request at the specified port and IP address. Then, write data from the server to the connected client.

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for connections at localhost and port 4000.

Create a TCP/IP client to connect to your server object using tcpclient. You must specify the same IP address and port number you use to create server.

```
NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

Display the values of the Connected, ClientAddress, and ClientPort properties for server.

#### server

```
server =
  TCPServer with properties:

    ServerAddress: "127.0.0.1"
        ServerPort: 4000
        Connected: 1
        ClientAddress: "127.0.0.1"
        ClientPort: 49653
    NumBytesAvailable: 0

Show all properties, functions
```

The output shows that server successfully accepts a request from client and that client establishes a connection to server.

Send data to the client by writing it using the server object. Since the client is connected to the server, this data is available in the client. Read the data from the client object.

```
write(server,[6,9,14,26,27,42],"uint8")
read(client,client.NumBytesAvailable)
ans = 1×6 uint8 row vector
6 9 14 26 27 42
```

### Write String Data from TCP/IP Server

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for a client connection request at the specified port and IP address. Then, write data from the server to the connected client.

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for connections at localhost and port 4000.

```
Show all properties, functions
```

Create a TCP/IP client to connect to your server object using tcpclient. You must specify the same IP address and port number you use to create server.

See the values of the Connected, ClientAddress, and ClientPort properties for server.

#### server

```
server =
  TCPServer with properties:

    ServerAddress: "127.0.0.1"
        ServerPort: 4000
        Connected: 1
    ClientAddress: "127.0.0.1"
        ClientPort: 65136
    NumBytesAvailable: 0

Show all properties, functions
```

The output shows that server successfully accepts a request from client and that client establishes a connection to server.

Send data to the client by writing it using the server object. Since the client is connected to the server, this data is available in the client. Read this data from the client object.

```
write(server, "hello world", "string")
read(client, 11, "string")
ans =
"hello world"
```

# **Input Arguments**

#### t — TCP/IP server

tcpserver object

TCP/IP server, specified as a tcpserver object.

Example: write(t, 10) writes from the TCP/IP server t to the client connected to it.

#### data — Numeric or ASCII data

numeric | character vector | string scalar

Numeric or ASCII data, specified as a row (1-by-N) or column (N-by-1) vector of numeric values or as a character vector or string scalar of text. For all numeric datatype types, data is a row vector of values.

Example: write(t,300) writes the value 300.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

#### datatype — Size and format of each value

```
"uint8" (default) | "int8" | "uint16" | "int16" | "uint32" | "int32" | "uint64" | "int64" | "single" | "double" | "char" | "string"
```

Size and format of each value, specified as a character vector or string. datatype determines the number of bytes to write for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

For any read or write operation, the data type is converted to uint8 for the data transfer. After the transfer, the data type reverts to the specified datatype.

Example: write(t,1:5, "double") writes the values [1,2,3,4,5] as double data.

Data Types: char | string

### See Also

tcpserver | read | writeline

# write

Write data to UDP socket

## **Syntax**

```
write(u,data,destinationAddress,destinationPort)
write(u,data)
write(u,data,datatype)
write(u,data,datatype,destinationAddress,destinationPort)
```

## **Description**

write(u,data,destinationAddress,destinationPort) sends the vector of values in data to the specified IP destinationAddress and destinationPort, using the default datatype precision of uint8. The function waits until the requested number of values are written to the UDP socket, or until a timeout occurs.

write(u,data) sends the vector of values in data to the last used destinationAddress and destinationPort, using the default datatype precision of uint8. If you do not specify destinationAddress and destinationPort in a previous call to write or writeline for the UDP socket u, this syntax throws an error.

write(u,data,datatype) sends the vector of values in data using the specified datatype precision, regardless of the actual type of data.

write(u,data,datatype,destinationAddress,destinationPort) sends the vector of values in data using the specified datatype, destinationAddress, and destinationPort.

# **Examples**

#### **Write Values to UDP Socket**

Write a vector of unsigned 8-bit values to a UDP socket.

```
u = udpport;
write(u, 1:5, "uint8", "192.1.5.15", 20);
```

For future writes to the same destination address and port for the udpport object u, you can omit the destinationAddress and destinationPort arguments.

Write a vector of single values.

```
write(u,1:10, "single");
```

# **Input Arguments**

```
u - UDP socket
```

udpport object

UDP socket, specified as a udpport object.

Example: u = udpport

Data Types: udpport object

#### data - Vector of values to write

numeric | string | character vector

Vector of values to write, specified as a row (1-by-N) or column (N-by-1) array of numeric data, string, or character vector. If the size of data is greater than the OutputDatagramSize property of the UDP socket object u, the function splits the data into multiple packets.

Example: "Hello world"

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

#### destinationAddress — Destination address to write to

string | character vector

Destination address to write to, specified as a string or character vector. If you do not provide this value, the packet is sent to the last used destinationAddress. When you write to this address and port for the first time, destinationAddress is required.

Example: "192.1.5.15"

Data Types: char | string

### destinationPort — Destination port to write to

numeric

Destination port to write to, specified as a numeric value from 0 to 65535. If you do not provide this argument and the destinationAddress, the function writes to the last used destinationPort. When you write to this address and port for the first time, destinationPort is required.

Example: 5110

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

#### datatype — MATLAB data type for each value

"uint8" (default) | string | character vector

MATLAB data type for each value, specified as a string or character vector. datatype specifies the number of bits written for each value, and the interpretation of those bits as a MATLAB data type. Allowed values are "int8", "int16", "int32", "int64", "uint8", "uint16", "uint32", "uint64", "double", "single", "char", and "string".

Example: "uint16"

Data Types: char | string

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

udpport | read | readline | writeline

### Introduced in R2020b

# write

Write data to VISA resource

## **Syntax**

```
write(v,data)
write(v,data,datatype)
```

## **Description**

write(v,data) writes the row or column vector data to the VISA resource v.

write(v,data,datatype) writes data in the form specified by datatype, regardless of the format in data.

## **Examples**

#### Write uint8 Data to VISA Resource

Create a connection to a VISA resource. This example shows a connection to a device with the alias COM4 using the VISA-Serial interface.

```
v = visadev("COM4"); Write the values [1,2,3,4,5] as uint8 data to the VISA resource v. write(v,1:5)
```

#### Write String Data to VISA Resource

Create a connection to a VISA resource. This example shows a connection to a device with the alias COM4 using the VISA-Serial interface.

```
v = visadev("COM4");
Write a string of data to the VISA resource v.
write(v, "Hello, world!", "string")
```

# **Input Arguments**

#### v - VISA resource

visadev object

VISA resource, specified as a visadev object.

Example: write(v, 10) writes to the VISA resource v.

#### data — Numeric or ASCII data

numeric | character vector | string scalar

Numeric or ASCII data, specified as a row (1-by-N) or column (N-by-1) vector of numeric values or as a character vector or string scalar of text. For all numeric datatype types, data is a row vector of values.

Example: write(v, 300) writes the value 300.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

#### datatype — Size and format of each value

```
"uint8" (default) | "int8" | "uint16" | "int16" | "uint32" | "int32" | "uint64" | "int64" | "single" | "double" | "char" | "string"
```

Size and format of each value, specified as a character vector or string. datatype determines the number of bytes to write for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

For any read or write operation, the data type is converted to uint8 for the data transfer. After the transfer, the data type reverts to the specified datatype.

Example: write(v,1:5, "double") writes the values [1,2,3,4,5] as double data.

Data Types: char | string

### See Also

visadev | read | writeline

# write

Write binary data to SPI instrument

## **Syntax**

```
write(OBJ, A)
```

## **Description**

write(OBJ, A) writes the data, A, to the SPI instrument connected to interface object, OBJ. OBJ must be a 1-by-1 SPI interface object. By default the 'uint8' precision is used.

The interface object must be connected to the device with the connect function before any data can be read from or written to the device, otherwise an error is returned. A connected interface object has a ConnectionStatus property value of connected.

The SPI protocol operates in full duplex mode, input and output data transfers happen simultaneously. For every byte written to the device, a byte is read back from the device. This function will automatically flush the incoming data.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

# **Examples**

This example shows how to create a SPI object s, and read and write data.

```
Construct a spi object called s using Vendor 'aardvark', with BoardIndex of 0, and Port of 0.
```

```
s = spi('aardvark', 0, 0);
Connect to the chip.
connect(s);
Write to the chip.
dataToWrite = [2 0 0 255]
write(s, dataToWrite);
Disconnect the SPI device and clean up by clearing the object.
disconnect(s);
clear('s');
```

#### Introduced in R2013b

# writeAndRead

Write and read binary data from SPI instrument

## **Syntax**

```
A = writeAndRead(OBJ, dataToWrite)
```

## **Description**

A = writeAndRead(OBJ, dataToWrite) writes the data, dataToWrite, to the instrument connected to interface object OBJ and reads the data available from the instrument as a result of writing dataToWrite. OBJ must be a 1-by-1 SPI interface object. Values are written and read as uint8 data.

The interface object must be connected to the device using the connect function before any data can be read from the device, otherwise an error is returned. A connected interface object has a ConnectionStatus property value of connected.

SPI protocol operates in full duplex mode, so input and output data transfers happen simultaneously. For every byte written to the device, a byte is read back from the device.

For more information on using the SPI interface and this function, see "Configuring SPI Communication" on page 10-3 and "Transmitting Data Over the SPI Interface" on page 10-7.

**Note** To get a list of options you can use on a function, press the **Tab** key after entering a function on the MATLAB command line. The list expands, and you can scroll to choose a property or value. For information about using this advanced tab completion feature, see "Using Tab Completion for Functions" on page 2-4.

# **Examples**

This example shows how to create a SPI object s, and read and write data.

Construct a spi object called s using Vendor 'aardvark', with BoardIndex of 0, and Port of 0.

```
s = spi('aardvark', 0, 0);
Connect to the chip.
connect(s);
Read and write to the chip.
dataToWrite = [2 0 0 255]
data = writeAndRead(s, dataToWrite);
Disconnect the SPI device and clean up by clearing the object.
disconnect(s);
clear('s');
```

### Introduced in R2013b

# writebinblock

Write one binblock of data to serial port

## **Syntax**

writebinblock(device, data, precision)

## **Description**

writebinblock(device, data, precision) converts data into a binblock and writes it to the serial port. data can be a string, character vector, or numeric 1-by-N matrix. The written data has the specified precision regardless of the format in the matrix. The function blocks MATLAB and waits until the binblock data is written to the serial port.

## **Examples**

#### Write Binblock of uint8 Data

Convert [1,2,3,4,5] to a binblock and write it to the serial port as uint8.

```
s = serialport("COM3",9600);
:
writebinblock(s,1:5,"uint8")
```

# **Input Arguments**

#### device — Serial port

serialport object

Serial port, specified as a serialport object.

Example: serialport()

#### data — Numeric or ASCII data

1-by-N numeric array | string | char

Numeric or ASCII data to write to serial port, specified as a string, character vector, or 1-by-N vector of numeric values. For all numeric precision types, data is a row vector of values.

```
Example: [20:24]
```

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

#### precision — Size and format of each value

```
'uint8'|'int8'|'uint16'|'int16'|'uint32'|'int32'|'uint64'|'int64'|'single'
|'double'|'char'|'string'
```

Size and format of each value, specified as a character vector or string. precision determines the number of bits to write for each value and its format as a MATLAB data type. For ASCII text, you can specify precision as either 'char' or 'string'.

Example: 'int16'

Data Types: char | string

### See Also

#### **Functions**

serialport|write|writeline|readbinblock

### Introduced in R2019b

# writebinblock

Write one binblock of data to remote host over TCP/IP

## **Syntax**

```
writebinblock(t,data,datatype)
```

# **Description**

writebinblock(t,data,datatype) writes a binblock of data in the form specified by datatype to the remote host specified by the TCP/IP client t. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the specified values are written to the remote host.

## **Examples**

#### Write and Read Binblock of Data from Remote Host

Create a TCP/IP client connection called t, connecting to a TCP/IP echo server with port 4000. To do so, you must have an echotopip server running on port 4000.

Write the values [1,2,3,4,5] as a binblock in uint8 format.

```
writebinblock(t,1:5,"uint8")
```

Write another binblock of data. Write the values [6,7,8,9,10] as double data.

```
writebinblock(t,6:10, "double")
```

Since the client is connected to an echo server, the data you write to the server is returned to the client. Read the first binblock of data that you wrote.

```
readbinblock(t)
ans = 1 \times 5
1 2 3 4 5
```

Read a binblock of data again to return the second set of values that you wrote. Specify the data as double.

```
readbinblock(t,"double") ans = 1 \times 5 6 7 8 9 10
```

Close the connection between the TCP/IP client and the remote host by clearing the object. Turn off the echotcpip server.

```
clear t
echotcpip("off")
```

## **Input Arguments**

#### t — TCP/IP client

tcpclient object

TCP/IP client, specified as a tcpclient object.

Example: writebinblock(t,1:5, "uint8") writes a binblock of data to the TCP/IP client t.

#### data — Numeric or ASCII data

1-by-N numeric array | character vector | string scalar

Numeric or ASCII data, specified as a 1-by-N vector of numeric values or as a character vector or string scalar of text. For all numeric datatype types, data is a row vector of values.

```
Example: writebinblock(t,1:5, "uint8") writes the values [1,2,3,4,5].
```

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

#### datatype — Size and format of each value

```
"uint8" | "int8" | "uint16" | "int16" | "uint32" | "int32" | "uint64" | "int64" | "single" | "double" | "char" | "string"
```

Size and format of each value, specified as a character vector or string. datatype determines the number of bytes to write for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

```
Example: writebinblock(t,1:5, "double") writes the values [1,2,3,4,5] as double data. Data Types: char | string
```

### See Also

tcpclient | write | writeline | readbinblock

### Introduced in R2020b

# writebinblock

Write one binblock of data from TCP/IP server

## **Syntax**

writebinblock(t,data,datatype)

## **Description**

writebinblock(t,data,datatype) writes a binblock of data in the form specified by datatype from the TCP/IP server t to the client connected to it. The value of the Connected property of t must be 1 (true) before you can write from it. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the specified values are written to the remote host.

## **Examples**

#### Write Binblock of Data from TCP/IP Server

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for connections at localhost and port 4000.

```
server = tcpserver("localhost",4000)
server =
   TCPServer with properties:
        ServerAddress: "127.0.0.1"
            ServerPort: 4000
            Connected: 0
        ClientAddress: ""
            ClientPort: []
   NumBytesAvailable: 0

Show all properties, functions
```

Create a TCP/IP client to connect to your server object using tcpclient. You must specify the same IP address and port number you use to create server.

Write the values [1,2,3,4,5] from the server to the client by writing it to the server object as a binblock in uint8 format.

```
writebinblock(server,1:5, "uint8")
```

Write another binblock of data. Write the values [6,7,8,9,10] as double data.

```
writebinblock(server,6:10, "double")
```

Since the client is connected to the server, the data you write to the server is available to be read from the client object. Read the first binblock of data.

readbinblock(client)

```
ans = 1 \times 5

1 2 3 4 5
```

Read a binblock of data again to return the second set of values. Specify the data as double.

```
readbinblock(client, "double")
```

```
ans = 1 \times 5
6 7 8 9 10
```

## **Input Arguments**

#### t — TCP/IP server

tcpserver object

TCP/IP server, specified as a tcpserver object.

Example: writebinblock(t,1:5, "uint8") writes a binblock of data to the TCP/IP client connected to the server t.

#### data — Numeric or ASCII data

1-by-N numeric array | character vector | string scalar

Numeric or ASCII data, specified as a 1-by-N vector of numeric values or as a character vector or string scalar of text. For all numeric datatype types, data is a row vector of values.

```
Example: writebinblock(t,1:5, "uint8") writes the values [1,2,3,4,5].
```

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

#### datatype — Size and format of each value

```
"uint8"|"int8"|"uint16"|"int16"|"uint32"|"int32"|"uint64"|"int64"|"single"
|"double"|"char"|"string"
```

Size and format of each value, specified as a character vector or string. datatype determines the number of bytes to write for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

```
Example: writebinblock(t,1:5, "double") writes the values [1,2,3,4,5] as double data.
```

```
Data Types: char | string
```

# See Also

tcpserver|write|writeline|readbinblock

# writebinblock

Write one binblock of data to VISA resource

## **Syntax**

writebinblock(v,data,datatype)

## **Description**

writebinblock(v,data,datatype) writes a binblock of data in the form specified by datatype to the VISA resource v. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the specified values are written to the remote host.

## **Examples**

#### Write Binblock of Data to VISA Resource

Create a connection to a VISA resource. This example shows a connection to a device with the alias COM4 using the VISA-Serial interface.

```
v = visadev("COM4");
```

Write the values [1,2,3,4,5] as a binblock in double format to the VISA resource v.

writebinblock(v,1:5, "double")

# **Input Arguments**

#### v - VISA resource

visadev object

VISA resource, specified as a visadev object.

Example: writebinblock(v,1:5, "uint8") writes a binblock of data to the VISA resource v.

### data — Numeric or ASCII data

1-by-N numeric array | character vector | string scalar

Numeric or ASCII data, specified as a 1-by-N vector of numeric values or as a character vector or string scalar of text. For all numeric datatype types, data is a row vector of values.

```
Example: writebinblock(v,1:5, "uint8") writes the values [1,2,3,4,5].
```

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

#### datatype — Size and format of each value

```
"uint8" | "int8" | "uint16" | "int16" | "uint32" | "int32" | "uint64" | "int64" | "single" | "double" | "char" | "string"
```

Size and format of each value, specified as a character vector or string. datatype determines the number of bytes to write for each value and the interpretation of those bytes as a MATLAB data type.

Example: writebinblock(v,1:5,"double") writes the values [1,2,3,4,5] as double data.

Data Types: char | string

### See Also

visadev|write|writeline|readbinblock

# writeline

Write line of ASCII data to serial port

## **Syntax**

```
writeline(device,data)
```

## **Description**

writeline(device, data) writes the ASCII text data followed by the terminator to the specified serial port. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the data and terminator are written.

## **Examples**

#### Write and Read Line of ASCII Data from Serial Port Device

Create a connection to a serial port device. In this example, the serial port at COM3 is connected to a loopback device.

Check the default ASCII terminator.

device.Terminator

```
ans =
"LF"
```

Set the terminator to "CR" and write a string of ASCII data. The writeline function automatically appends the terminator to the data.

```
configureTerminator(device, "CR")
writeline(device, "hello")
```

Write another string of ASCII data with the terminator automatically appended.

```
writeline(device, "world")
```

Since the port is connected to a loopback device, the data you write to the device is returned to MATLAB. Read a string of ASCII data. The readline function returns data until it reaches a terminator.

```
readline(device)
```

```
ans = "hello"
```

Read a string of ASCII data again to return the second string that you wrote.

readline(device)

```
ans = "world"
```

Clear the serial port connection.

clear device

## **Input Arguments**

### device — Serial port connection

serialport object

Serial port connection, specified as a serialport object.

Example: writeline(device, 1:5) writes to the serial port connection device.

### data — ASCII data

character vector | string scalar

ASCII data to write, specified as a character vector or string scalar of text.

```
Example: writeline(device, "*IDN?") writes the ASCII string "*IDN?" Data Types: char | string
```

## See Also

#### **Functions**

serialport | readline | write | configureTerminator | writebinblock | writeread

#### Introduced in R2019b

# writeline

Write line of ASCII data to remote host over TCP/IP

## **Syntax**

```
writeline(t,data)
```

## **Description**

writeline(t,data) writes the ASCII text data followed by the terminator to the remote host specified by the TCP/IP client t. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the data and terminator are written.

## **Examples**

#### Write and Read Line of ASCII Data from Remote Host

Create a TCP/IP client connection called t, connecting to a TCP/IP echo server with port 4000. To do so, you must have an echotcpip server running on port 4000.

Check the default ASCII terminator.

#### t.Terminator

```
ans = "LF"
```

Set the terminator to "CR" and write a string of ASCII data. The writeline function automatically appends the terminator to the data.

```
configureTerminator(t,"CR")
writeline(t,"hello")
```

Write another string of ASCII data with the terminator automatically appended.

```
writeline(t,"world")
```

Since the client is connected to an echo server, the data you write to the server is returned to the client. Read a string of ASCII data. The readline function returns data until it reaches a terminator.

#### readline(t)

```
ans = "hello"
```

Read a string of ASCII data again to return the second string that you wrote.

#### readline(t)

```
ans = "world"
```

Close the echo server and clear the TCP/IP client connection.

```
echotcpip("off")
clear t
```

## **Input Arguments**

#### t — TCP/IP client

tcpclient object

TCP/IP client, specified as a tcpclient object.

Example: writeline(t,data) writes ASCII data to the TCP/IP client t.

#### data — ASCII data

character vector | string scalar

ASCII data to write, specified as a character vector or string scalar of text.

Example: writeline(t, "helloworld") writes the ASCII data "helloworld".

Data Types: char | string

### See Also

#### **Functions**

tcpclient | configureTerminator | readline | write

#### Introduced in R2020b

# writeline

Write line of ASCII data from TCP/IP server

## **Syntax**

```
writeline(t,data)
```

## **Description**

writeline(t,data) writes the ASCII text data followed by the terminator from the TCP/IP server t to the client connected to it. The value of the Connected property of t must be 1 (true) before you can write from it. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the data and terminator are written.

## **Examples**

#### Write Line of ASCII Data from TCP/IP Server

Create a TCP/IP server that listens for connections at localhost and port 4000.

Create a TCP/IP client to connect to your server object using tcpclient. You must specify the same IP address and port number you use to create server.

Check the default ASCII terminator for the server.

#### server.Terminator

```
ans = "LF"
```

Set the terminators for both the server and client to "CR". The TCP/IP server and its connected client must have the same terminator.

```
configureTerminator(server, "CR")
configureTerminator(client, "CR")
```

Write a string of ASCII data from the server to the client by writing it to the server object. The writeline function automatically appends the terminator to the data.

```
writeline(server, "hello")
```

Write another string of ASCII data with the terminator automatically appended.

```
writeline(server, "world")
```

Since the client is connected to the server, the data you write is available in the client. Read a string of ASCII data from the client object. The readline function returns data until it reaches a terminator.

```
readline(client)
```

```
ans = "hello"
```

Read a string of ASCII data again to return the second string.

```
readline(client)
```

```
ans =
"world"
```

## Input Arguments

#### t — TCP/IP server

tcpserver object

TCP/IP server, specified as a tcpserver object.

Example: writeline(t,data) writes ASCII data to the TCP/IP client connected to the server t.

#### data — ASCII data

character vector | string scalar

ASCII data to write, specified as a character vector or string scalar of text.

```
Example: writeline(t, "helloworld") writes the ASCII data "helloworld".
```

```
Data Types: char | string
```

### See Also

tcpserver | configureTerminator | readline | write

# writeline

Write line of ASCII data to UDP socket

## **Syntax**

```
writeline(u,data,destinationAddress,destinationPort)
writeline(u,data)
```

## **Description**

writeline(u,data,destinationAddress,destinationPort) writes the ASCII data data, followed by the terminator, to the specified IP destinationAddress and destinationPort. u must be a byte-type udpport object. The function waits until the data and terminator are written to the UDP socket, or until a timeout occurs.

writeline(u,data) writes the ASCII data to the last used destinationAddress and destinationPort. If you do not specify destinationAddress and destinationPort in a previous call to write or writeline for the UDP socket u, this syntax throws an error.

## **Examples**

#### Write ASCII Line to UDP Socket

Write start and stop commands to a UDP socket.

Create a UDP socket and write an ASCII "START" string to a specified address and port.

```
u = udpport;
writeline(u, "START", "192.1.5.15", 20)
```

The function appends the default terminator to the written string.

Write an ASCII "STOP" string to the same address and port.

```
writeline(u, "STOP")
```

# **Input Arguments**

```
u — UDP socket
```

udpport object

UDP socket, specified as a udpport object.

```
Example: u = udpport
Data Types: udpport object
```

### data — String to write to udpport socket

string | character vector

String to write to udpport socket, specified as a string or character vector. The terminator is appended. If the size of data is greater than the OutputDatagramSize property of the UDP socket object u, the function splits the data into multiple packets.

Example: "Hello world"

Data Types: char | string

#### destinationAddress — Destination address to write to

string | character vector

Destination address to write to, specified as a string or character vector. If you do not provide this argument, the function writes to the last used destinationAddress. When you write to this address and port for the first time, destinationAddress is required.

Example: "192.1.5.15"

Data Types: char | string

### destinationPort — Destination port to write to

numeric

Destination port to write to, specified as a numeric value from 0 to 65535. If you do not provide this argument and the destinationAddress, the function writes to the last used destinationPort. When you write to this address and port for the first time, destinationPort is required.

Example: 5110

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

## **See Also**

#### **Functions**

udpport | readline | configureTerminator

Introduced in R2020b

# writeline

Write line of ASCII data to VISA resource

## **Syntax**

writeline(v,data)

## **Description**

writeline(v,data) writes the ASCII text data followed by the terminator to the VISA resource v. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the data and terminator are written.

## **Examples**

#### Write ASCII Line to VISA Resource

Create a connection to a VISA resource. This example shows a connection to a device with the alias COM4 using the VISA-Serial interface.

```
v = visadev("COM4");
```

Set the terminator to "CR/LF" and write a string of ASCII data to the VISA resource v. The writeline function automatically appends the terminator to the data.

```
configureTerminator(v, "CR/LF")
writeline(v, "START")
```

## **Input Arguments**

#### v — VISA resource

visadev object

VISA resource, specified as a visadev object.

Example: writeline(v, data) writes ASCII data to the VISA resource v.

### data — ASCII data

character vector | string scalar

ASCII data to write, specified as a character vector or string scalar of text.

```
Example: writeline(v, "helloworld") writes the ASCII data "helloworld". Data Types: char | string
```

#### See Also

visadev | configureTerminator | readline | write

# writeread

Write command to serial port and read response

## **Syntax**

```
response = writeread(device,command)
```

## Description

response = writeread(device, command) writes the ASCII text command followed by the terminator to the specified serial port device, then reads the ASCII text returned from the device and assigns it to response. You can use this function to query an instrument connected to the serial port. The function blocks MATLAB and waits until the command and response are complete, or a timeout occurs.

## **Examples**

### **Query Serial Device for ID**

Write an instrument identification query to a serial instrument and read the response. writeline automatically includes the defined terminator.

```
s = serialport("COM3",9600);
configureTerminator(s,"CR")
:
resp = writeread(s,"*IDN?");
```

## **Input Arguments**

### device — Serial port

```
serialport object
```

Serial port, specified as a serialport object.

```
Example: serialport()
```

## command — ASCII text command to device

string | char

ASCII text command to device, specified as a string or character vector.

```
Example: "IDN?"

Data Types: char | string
```

## **Output Arguments**

## response — ASCII text response from device

string

ASCII text response from device, returned as a string. The terminator is not included.

# **See Also**

### **Functions**

serialport | readline | configureTerminator | writeline

### Introduced in R2019b

# writeread

Write command to remote host over TCP/IP and read response

## **Syntax**

```
response = writeread(t,command)
```

## Description

response = writeread(t,command) writes the ASCII text command followed by the terminator to the remote host specified by the TCP/IP client t, then reads the ASCII text returned from the remote host. You can use this function to query the remote host. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the specified command is sent to the remote host and a response is received.

## **Examples**

### Query a TCP/IP Instrument for ID

Create a TCP/IP client connection to an instrument. In this example, the instrument connected to this network is a Keysight Technologies® (formerly Agilent Technologies®) X-Series Signal Analyzer (N9030A, PXA Signal Analyzer). The specified IP address and port are unique to this example.

```
t = tcpclient("172.31.165.102",5025)
t =
    tcpclient with properties:
        Address: '172.31.165.102'
        Port: 5025
    NumBytesAvailable: 0
Show all properties, functions
```

Write an instrument identification SCPI command to the instrument and read the response.

```
writeread(t,"*IDN?")
ans =
"Agilent Technologies,N9030A,US00071181,A.14.16"
```

The instrument response to the \*IDN? command identifies the name of the instrument.

# **Input Arguments**

# t — TCP/IP client

tcpclient object

TCP/IP client, specified as a tcpclient object.

Example: writeread(t,"\*IDN?") sends an ASCII text command to the TCP/IP client t.

### **command** — **ASCII** text command to write to device

character vector | string scalar

ASCII text command to write to device, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Example: writeread(t, "\*IDN?") sends the ASCII command \*IDN?.

Data Types: char | string

# See Also

tcpclient|configureTerminator|readline|writeline

Introduced in R2020b

# writeread

Write command to VISA resource and read response

## **Syntax**

```
response = writeread(v,command)
```

## **Description**

response = writeread(v,command) writes the ASCII text command followed by the terminator to the VISA resource v, then reads the ASCII text returned from the resource. You can use this function to query the resource. The function suspends MATLAB execution until the specified command is sent to the resource and a response is received.

## **Examples**

### **Query a VISA Resource for ID**

Create a connection to a VISA resource. This example shows a connection to a Keysight Technologies® (formerly Agilent Technologies®) X-Series Signal Analyzer (N9030A, PXA Signal Analyzer) using the VISA-TCP/IP interface. The specified resource name is unique to this example.

```
v = visadev("TCPI0::172.31.165.102::inst0::INSTR");
```

Write an instrument identification SCPI command to the instrument and read the response.

```
writeread(v,"*IDN?")
ans =
"Agilent Technologies,N9030A,US00071181,A.14.16"
```

The instrument response to the \*IDN? command identifies the name, model, and serial number of the instrument.

# **Input Arguments**

#### v — VISA resource

visadev object

VISA resource, specified as a visadev object.

Example: writeread(v, "\*IDN?") sends an ASCII text command to the VISA resource v.

#### command — ASCII text command to write to device

character vector | string scalar

ASCII text command to write to device, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

```
Example: writeread(v,"*IDN?") sends the ASCII command *IDN?.
```

```
Data Types: char | string
```

# See Also

visadev|configureTerminator|readline|writeline

# **Properties**

## **ActualLocation**

Configuration store file used by IVI configuration store object

## **Description**

ActualLocation reflects the location of the IVI configuration store actually being used. It is either the master configuration store, or the ProcessLocation if an alternative to the master store was specified when the IVI configuration store object was created.

### **Characteristics**

Usage IVI configuration store object

Read only Always

Data type Character vector

### **Values**

The default value is the master configuration store.

### See Also

### **Functions**

commit

### **Properties**

MasterLocation, ProcessLocation

## **Alias**

Alias of resource name for VISA instrument

### **Description**

Alias indicates the alias for the resource name for a VISA instrument. When you create a VISA object, you can specify either the resource name for a VISA instrument or an alias for the resource name. If an alias is specified, Alias is automatically assigned the value specified in the VISA function. If a resource name is specified and the resource name has an alias, Alias is updated with the alias value. If the resource name does not have an alias, Alias is an empty character vector.

### **Characteristics**

Usage VISA object Read only Always

Data type Character vector

### **Values**

The default value is an empty character vector.

#### Remarks

You set the alias for a resource name using vender-supplied tools. You do not set an alias in the MATLAB workspace. When you create the VISA object in the MATLAB workspace, the Alias property of the object takes on the value of the resource name alias. You do not directly set the value of this property.

National Instruments' Measurement & Automation Explorer (MAX) is one example of a graphical interface tool for setting a VISA alias in NI-VISA. In this tool, select **Tools > NI-VISA > Alias Editor** to edit, add, or clear aliases. When you have your aliases defined, you can use them in the MATLAB workspace to access your resources.

### See Also

**Functions** 

visa

**Properties** 

RsrcName

## **BaudRate**

Specify bit transmit rate

### **Description**

You configure BaudRate as bits per second. The transferred bits include the start bit, the data bits, the parity bit (if used), and the stop bits. However, only the data bits are stored.

The baud rate is the rate at which information is transferred in a communication channel. In the serial port context, "9600 baud" means that the serial port is capable of transferring a maximum of 9600 bits per second. If the information unit is one baud (one bit), then the bit rate and the baud rate are identical. If one baud is given as 10 bits, (for example, eight data bits plus two framing bits), the bit rate is still 9600 but the baud rate is 9600/10, or 960. You always configure BaudRate as bits per second. Therefore, in the above example, set BaudRate to 9600.

**Note** Both the computer and the instrument must be configured to the same baud rate before you can successfully read or write data.

Your system computes the acceptable rates by taking the baud base, which is determined by your serial port, and dividing it by a positive whole number divisor . The system will try to find the best match by modifying the divisor. For example, if:

```
baud base = 115200 bits per second
divisors = 1,2,3,4,5...
Possible BaudRates = 115200, 57600, 38400, 28800, 23040....
```

Your system may further limit the available baud rates to conform to specific conventions or standards. In the above example, for instance, 23040 bits/sec may not be available on all systems.

### Characteristics

Usage Serial port, VISA-serial

Read only Never
Data type Double

#### **Values**

The default value is 9600 bits per second.

## **Examples**

This example shows how to set the baud rate for a serial port object.

Create a serial port object associated with the COM1 port. The oscilloscope you are connecting to over the serial port is configured to a baud rate of 115200 and a carriage return terminator, so set the serial port object to those values.

```
s = serial('COM1');
s.Baudrate = 115200;
s.Terminator = 'CR';
```

## See Also

## **Properties**

DataBits, Parity, StopBits

## **BoardIndex**

Specify index number of interface board

### **Description**

You configure BoardIndex to be the index number of the GPIB board, USB board, or TCP/IP board associated with your instrument. When you create a GPIB, VISA-GPIB, VISA-GPIB-VXI, VISA-TCPIP, or VISA-USB object, BoardIndex is automatically assigned the value specified in the gpib or visa function.

For GPIB objects, the Name property is automatically updated to reflect the BoardIndex value. For VISA-GPIB, VISA-GPIB-VXI, VISA-TCPIP, or VISA-USB objects, the Name and RsrcName properties are automatically updated to reflect the BoardIndex value.

You can configure BoardIndex only when the object is disconnected from the instrument. You disconnect a connected object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

### **Characteristics**

Usage GPIB, VISA-GPIB, VISA-GPIB-VXI, VISA-TCPIP, VISA-USB

Read only While open (GPIB, VISA-GPIB), always (VISA-GPIB-VXI, VISA-TCPIP, VISA-USB)

Data type Double

### **Values**

The value is defined after the instrument object is created.

## **Examples**

Suppose you create a VISA-GPIB object associated with board 4, primary address 1, and secondary address 8.

```
vg = visa('keysight','GPIB4::1::8::INSTR');
```

The BoardIndex, Name, and RsrcName properties reflect the GPIB board index number.

```
vg.BoardIndex
ans =
    [4]

vg.Name
ans =
    'VISA-GPIB4-1-8'

vg,.RsrcName
ans =
    'GPIB4::1::8::INSTR'
```

## See Also

## **Functions**

fclose, gpib, visa

## **Properties**

Name, RsrcName, Status

## BreakInterruptFcn

Specify callback function to execute when break-interrupt event occurs

## **Description**

You configure BreakInterruptFcn to execute a callback function when a break-interrupt event occurs. A break-interrupt event is generated by the serial port when the received data is in an off (space) state longer than the transmission time for one byte.

**Note** A break-interrupt event can be generated at any time during the instrument control session.

If the RecordStatus property value is on, and a break-interrupt event occurs, the record file records this information:

- The event type as BreakInterrupt
- The time the event occurred using the format day-month-year hour:minute:second:millisecond

### **Characteristics**

Usage Serial port Read only Never

Data type Callback function

### **Values**

The default value is an empty character vector.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

record

### **Properties**

RecordStatus

## **BusManagementStatus**

State of GPIB bus management lines

### **Description**

BusManagementStatus is a structure array that contains the fields Attention, InterfaceClear, RemoteEnable, ServiceRequest, and EndOrIdentify. These fields indicate the state of the Attention (ATN), Interface Clear (IFC), Remote Enable (REN), Service Request (SRQ) and End Or Identify (EOI) GPIB lines.

BusManagementStatus can be on or off for any of these fields. If BusManagementStatus is on, the associated line is asserted. If BusManagementStatus is off, the associated line is unasserted.

### **Characteristics**

Usage	GPIB
Read only	Always
Data type	Structure

### **Values**

off The GPIB line is unasserted on The GPIB line is asserted

The default value is instrument dependent.

## **Examples**

Create the GPIB object g associated with a National Instruments board, and connect g to a Tektronix TDS 210 oscilloscope.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,0);
fopen(g)
```

Write the \*STB? command, which queries the instrument's status byte register, and then return the state of the bus management lines with the BusManagementStatus property.

REN is asserted because the system controller placed the scope in the remote enable mode, while EOI is asserted to mark the end of the command.

Now read the result of the \*STB? command, and return the state of the bus management lines.

```
out = fscanf(g)
out =
0
\verb"g.busmanagementstatus"
ans =
              Attention: 'off'
      InterfaceClear: 'off'
RemoteEnable: 'on'
ServiceRequest: 'off'
EndOrIdentify: 'off'
fclose(g)
delete(g)
clear g
```

## **ByteOrder**

Specify byte order of instrument

### **Description**

You configure ByteOrder to be littleEndian or bigEndian. If ByteOrder is littleEndian, then the instrument stores the first byte in the first memory address. If ByteOrder is bigEndian, then the instrument stores the last byte in the first memory address.

For example, suppose the hexadecimal value 4F52 is to be stored in instrument memory. Because this value consists of two bytes, 4F and 52, two memory locations are used. Using big-endian format, 4F is stored first in the lower storage address. Using little-endian format, 52 is stored first in the lower storage address.

**Note** You should configure ByteOrder to the appropriate value for your instrument before performing a read or write operation. Refer to your instrument documentation for information about the order in which it stores bytes.

You can set this property on interface objects such as TCP/IP or GPIB. In this example, a TCP/IP object, Tobj, is set to bigEndian by default, and you change it to littleEndian.

Tobj.ByteOrder = 'littleEndian'

### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Never

Data type Character vector

### Values

littleEndian The byte order of the instrument is little-endian.

Default for serial, gpib, and visa objects.

bigEndian The byte order of the instrument is big-endian.

Default for tcpip and udp objects.

## **Examples**

This example shows how to set the byte order for a TCP/IP object.

Create a TCP/IP object associated with the host 127.0.0.1 and port 4000. Change the byte order from the default of bigEndian to littleEndian.

```
t = tcpip('127.0.0.1', 4000);
t.ByteOrder = 'littleEndian';
```

## See Also

## **Properties**

Status

## **BytesAvailable**

Number of bytes available in input buffer

### **Description**

BytesAvailable indicates the number of bytes currently available to be read from the input buffer. The property value is continuously updated as the input buffer is filled, and is set to 0 after the fopen function is issued.

You can make use of BytesAvailable only when reading data asynchronously. This is because when reading data synchronously, control is returned to the MATLAB Command Window only after the input buffer is empty. Therefore, the BytesAvailable value is always 0.

The BytesAvailable value can range from zero to the size of the input buffer. Use the InputBufferSize property to specify the size of the input buffer. Use the ValuesReceived property to return the total number of values read.

### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Always
Data type Double

### **Values**

The value can range from zero to the size of the input buffer. The default value is 0.

### See Also

### **Functions**

fopen

### **Properties**

InputBufferSize, TransferStatus, ValuesReceived

## **BytesAvailableFcn**

Specify callback function to execute when specified number of bytes are available in input buffer, or terminator is read

### **Description**

You configure BytesAvailableFcn to execute a callback function when a bytes-available event occurs. A bytes-available event occurs when the number of bytes specified by the BytesAvailableFcnCount property is available in the input buffer, or after a terminator is read, as determined by the BytesAvailableFcnMode property.

**Note** A bytes-available event can be generated only for asynchronous read operations.

If the RecordStatus property value is on, and a bytes-available event occurs, the record file records this information:

- The event type as BytesAvailable
- The time the event occurred using the format day-month-year hour:minute:second:millisecond

**Note** You cannot use ASCII values larger than 127 characters. The function is limited to 127 binary characters.

### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Never

Data type Callback function

#### Values

The default value is an empty character vector.

## **Examples**

Create the serial port object s on a Windows machine for a Tektronix TDS 210 two-channel oscilloscope connected to the serial port COM1.

```
s = serial('COM1');
```

Configure s to execute the callback function instrcallback when 40 bytes are available in the input buffer.

```
s.BytesAvailableFcnCount = 40;
```

- s.BytesAvailableFcnMode = 'byte';
- s.BytesAvailableFcn = @instrcallback;

Connect **s** to the oscilloscope.

```
fopen(s)
```

Write the \*IDN? command, which instructs the scope to return identification information. Because the default value for the ReadAsyncMode property is continuous, data is read as soon as it is available from the instrument.

```
fprintf(s,'*IDN?')
```

The resulting output from instrcallback is shown below.

```
BytesAvailable event occurred at 18:33:35 for the object: Serial-COM1.
```

56 bytes are read and instrcallback is called once. The resulting display is shown above.

```
s.BytesAvailable
ans =
    56
```

Suppose you remove 25 bytes from the input buffer and issue the MEASUREMENT? command, which instructs the scope to return its measurement settings.

```
out = fscanf(s,'%c',25);
fprintf(s,'MEASUREMENT?')
```

The resulting output from instrcallback is shown below.

```
BytesAvailable event occurred at 18:33:48 for the object: Serial-COM1.
```

```
BytesAvailable event occurred at 18:33:48 for the object: Serial-COM1.
```

There are now 102 bytes in the input buffer, 31 of which are left over from the \*IDN? command. instrcallback is called twice; once when 40 bytes are available and once when 80 bytes are available.

```
s.BytesAvailable
ans =
    102
```

### See Also

#### **Functions**

record

### **Properties**

BytesAvailableFcnCount, BytesAvailableFcnMode, EOSCharCode, RecordStatus, Terminator, TransferStatus

## **BytesAvailableFcnCount**

Specify number of bytes that must be available in input buffer to generate bytes-available event

### **Description**

You configure BytesAvailableFcnCount to the number of bytes that must be available in the input buffer before a bytes-available event is generated.

Use the BytesAvailableFcnMode property to specify whether the bytes-available event occurs after a certain number of bytes are available or after a terminator is read.

The bytes-available event executes the callback function specified for the BytesAvailableFcn property.

You can configure BytesAvailableFcnCount only when the object is disconnected from the instrument. You disconnect an object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only While open
Data type Double

### **Values**

The default value is 48.

### See Also

### **Functions**

fclose

### **Properties**

BytesAvailableFcn, BytesAvailableFcnMode, EOSCharCode, Status, Terminator

## **BytesAvailableFcnMode**

Specify whether bytes-available event is generated after specified number of bytes are available in input buffer, or after terminator is read

### **Description**

For serial port, TCPIP, UDP, or VISA-serial objects, you can configure BytesAvailableFcnMode to be terminator or byte. For all other instrument objects, you can configure BytesAvailableFcnMode to be eosCharCode or byte.

If BytesAvailableFcnMode is terminator, a bytes-available event occurs when the terminator specified by the Terminator property is read. If BytesAvailableFcnMode is eosCharCode, a bytes-available event occurs when the End-Of-String character specified by the EOSCharCode property is read. If BytesAvailableFcnMode is byte, a bytes-available event occurs when the number of bytes specified by the BytesAvailableFcnCount property is available.

The bytes-available event executes the callback function specified for the BytesAvailableFcn property.

You can configure BytesAvailableFcnMode only when the object is disconnected from the instrument. You disconnect an object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only While open

Data type Character vector

#### Values

### Serial, TCPIP, UDP, and VISA-Serial

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{terminator} A bytes-available event is generated when the terminator is reached.byte A bytes-available event is generated when the specified number of bytes

available.

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Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{eosCharCode} A bytes-available event is generated when the EOS (End-Of-String) character

is reached.

byte A bytes-available event is generated when the specified number of bytes is

available.

## See Also

### **Functions**

fclose

## **Properties**

BytesAvailableFcn, BytesAvailableFcnCount, EOSCharCode, Status, Terminator

## **BytesToOutput**

Number of bytes currently in output buffer

### **Description**

BytesToOutput indicates the number of bytes currently in the output buffer waiting to be written to the instrument. The property value is continuously updated as the output buffer is filled and emptied, and is set to  $\theta$  after the fopen function is issued.

You can make use of BytesToOutput only when writing data asynchronously. This is because when writing data synchronously, control is returned to the MATLAB Command Window only after the output buffer is empty. Therefore, the BytesToOutput value is always 0.

Use the ValuesSent property to return the total number of values written to the instrument.

**Note** If you attempt to write out more data than can fit in the output buffer, then an error is returned and BytesToOutput is 0. You specify the size of the output buffer with the OutputBufferSize property.

### Characteristics

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Always
Data type Double

### **Values**

The default value is 0.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fopen

### **Properties**

OutputBufferSize, TransferStatus, ValuesSent

## **ChassisIndex**

Specify index number of VXI chassis

### **Description**

You configure ChassisIndex to be the index number of the VXI chassis associated with your instrument.

When you create a VISA-VXI or VISA-GPIB-VXI object, ChassisIndex is automatically assigned the value specified in the visa function. For both object types, the Name and RsrcName properties are automatically updated to reflect the ChassisIndex value.

You can configure ChassisIndex only when the object is disconnected from the instrument. You disconnect a connected object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

### **Characteristics**

Usage VISA-VXI, VISA-GPIB-VXI

Read only While open
Data type double

#### **Values**

The value is defined after the instrument object is created.

## **Examples**

Suppose you create a VISA-GPIB-VXI object associated with chassis 0 and logical address 32.

```
v = visa('keysight','GPIB-VXI0::32::INSTR');
```

The ChassisIndex, Name, and RsrcName properties reflect the VXI chassis index number.

```
v.ChassisIndex
ans =
    [0]
v.Name
ans =
    'VISA-GPIB-VXI0-32'
v.RsrcName
ans =
    'GPIB-VXI0::32::INSTR'
```

## See Also

## **Functions**

fclose, visa

## **Properties**

Name, RsrcName, Status

## **CompareBits**

Specify number of bits that must match EOS character to complete read operation, or to assert EOI line

### **Description**

You can configure CompareBits to be 7 or 8. If CompareBits is 7, the read operation completes when a byte that matches the low seven bits of the End-Of-String (EOS) character is received. The End Or Identify (EOI) line is asserted when a byte that matches the low seven bits of the EOS character is written. If CompareBits is 8, the read operation completes when a byte that matches all eight bits of the EOS character is received. The EOI line is asserted when a byte that matches all eight bits of the EOS character is written.

You can specify the EOS character with the EOSCharCode property. You can specify when the EOS character is used (read operation, write operation, or both) with the EOSMode property.

### **Characteristics**

Usage GPIB
Read only Never
Data type Double

### **Values**

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{8} Compare all eight EOS bits.

7 Compare the lower seven EOS bits.

### See Also

### **Properties**

EOSCharCode, EOSMode

## ConfirmationFcn

Specify callback function to execute when confirmation event occurs

## **Description**

You configure ConfirmationFcn to execute a callback function when a confirmation event occurs.

A confirmation event is generated when the command written to the instrument results in the instrument being configured to a different value than it was sent.

**Note** A confirmation event can be generated only when the object is connected to the instrument with connect.

### **Characteristics**

Usage Device Read only Never Data type Callback

### **Values**

The default value is an empty character vector.

## See Also

#### **Functions**

connect

## **DataBits**

Specify number of data bits to transmit

### **Description**

You can configure DataBits to be 5, 6, 7, or 8. Data is transmitted as a series of five, six, seven, or eight bits with the least significant bit sent first. At least seven data bits are required to transmit ASCII characters. Eight bits are required to transmit binary data. Five and six bit data formats are used for specialized communication equipment.

**Note** Both the computer and the instrument must be configured to transmit the same number of data bits.

In addition to the data bits, the serial data format consists of a start bit, one or two stop bits, and possibly a parity bit. You specify the number of stop bits with the StopBits property, and the type of parity checking with the Parity property.

### **Characteristics**

Usage Serial port, VISA-serial

Read only Never
Data type Double

### **Values**

DataBits can be 5, 6, 7, or 8. The default value is 8.

### See Also

### **Properties**

Parity, StopBits

## **DatagramAddress**

IP dotted decimal address of received datagram sender

## **Description**

DatagramAddress is the datagram sender IP address of the next datagram to be read from the input buffer. An example of an IP dotted decimal address character vector is 144.212.100.10.

When you read a datagram from the input buffer, <code>DatagramAddress</code> is updated.

### **Characteristics**

Usage UDP Read only Always

Data type Character vector

### **Values**

The default value is ''.

### **See Also**

### **Functions**

udp

### **Properties**

DatagramPort, RemotePort

## **DatagramPort**

Port number of datagram sender

## **Description**

DatagramPort is the port number of the next datagram to be read from the input buffer. When you read a datagram from the input buffer, DatagramPort is updated.

### **Characteristics**

UDP Usage Read only Never Data type Double

### **Values**

The default value is [].

### See Also

### **Functions**

udp

### **Properties**

DatagramAddress

## **DatagramReceivedFcn**

Specify callback function to execute when datagram is received

### **Description**

You configure DatagramReceivedFcn to execute a callback function when a datagram has been received. The callback executes when a complete datagram is received in the input buffer.

**Note** A datagram-received event can be generated at any time during the instrument control session.

If the RecordStatus property value is on, and a datagram-received event occurs, the record file records this information:

- The event type as DatagramReceived
- The time the event occurred using the format day-month-year hour:minute:second:millisecond

### **Characteristics**

Usage UDP Read only Never Data type Callback

### **Values**

The default value is ''.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

readasync, udp

### **Properties**

DatagramAddress, DatagramPort, ReadAsyncMode

## **DatagramTerminateMode**

Configure terminate read mode when reading datagrams

## **Description**

DatagramTerminateMode defines how fread and fscanf read operations terminate. You can configure DatagramTerminateMode to be on or off.

If DatagramTerminateMode is on, the read operation terminates when a datagram is read. When DatagramTerminateMode is off, fread and fscanf read across datagram boundaries.

### **Characteristics**

Usage UDP Read only Never

Data type Character vector

### **Values**

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{on} The read operation terminates when a datagram is read.

off The read operation spans datagram boundaries.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fread, fscanf, udp

## **DataTerminalReady**

Specify state of DTR pin

### **Description**

You can configure DataTerminalReady to be on or off. If DataTerminalReady is on, the Data Terminal Ready (DTR) pin is asserted. If DataTerminalReady is off, the DTR pin is unasserted.

In normal usage, the DTR and Data Set Ready (DSR) pins work together, and are used to signal if instruments are connected and powered. However, there is nothing in the RS-232 or the RS-485 standard that states the DTR pin must be used in any specific way. For example, DTR and DSR might be used for handshaking. You should refer to your instrument documentation to determine its specific pin behavior.

You can return the value of the DSR pin with the PinStatus property. Handshaking is described in "Control Pins" on page 6-5.

### **Characteristics**

Usage Serial port, VISA-serial

Read only Never

Data type Character vector

### **Values**

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{on} The DTR pin is asserted.
off The DTR pin is unasserted.

### See Also

#### **Properties**

FlowControl, PinStatus

## **DriverName**

Specify name of driver used to communicate with instrument

## **Description**

For device objects with a DriverType property value of MATLAB Instrument Driver, the DriverName property specifies the name of the MATLAB instrument driver that contains the supported instrument commands.

For device objects with a DriverType property value of VXIplug&play or IVI-C, the DriverName is the name of the VXIplug&play or IVI-C driver, respectively.

### **Characteristics**

Usage Device Read only Always

Data type Character vector

### **Values**

DriverName is defined at device object creation.

### See Also

### **Properties**

DriverType

## **DriverSessions**

Array of driver sessions contained in IVI configuration store

## **Description**

DriverSessions identifies all the driver sessions in the IVI configuration store. Each driver session maps a software module to a hardware asset and its IOResourceDescriptor. A driver session also determines default settings and behavior for its software module.

### **Characteristics**

Usage IVI configuration store object

Read only Always

Data type Array of Structs

### See Also

### **Properties**

HardwareAssets, SoftwareModules

## **DriverType**

Specify type of driver used to communicate with instrument

## **Description**

DriverType can be MATLAB interface object, MATLAB VXIplug&play, or MATLAB IVI. If DriverType is MATLAB interface object, an interface object is used to communicate with the instrument. If DriverType is MATLAB VXIplug&play, a VXIplug&play driver is used to communicate with the instrument. If DriverType is MATLAB IVI, an IVI driver is used to communicate with the instrument.

### **Characteristics**

Usage Device Read only Always

Character vector Data type

### **Values**

The DriverType value is defined at the device object creation. DriverType can be MATLAB interface object, MATLAB VXIplug&play, or MATLAB IVI.

### See Also

### **Properties**

DriverName

## **EOIMode**

Specify if EOI line is asserted at end of write operation

## **Description**

You can configure EOIMode to be on or off. If EOIMode is on, the End Or Identify (EOI) line is asserted at the end of a write operation. If EOIMode is off, the EOI line is not asserted at the end of a write operation. EOIMode applies to both binary and text write operations.

### **Characteristics**

Usage GPIB, VISA-GPIB, VISA-VXI, VISA-GPIB-VXI

Read only Never

Data type Character vector

### **Values**

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{on} The EOI line is asserted at the end of a write operation.off The EOI line is not asserted at the end of a write operation.

### See Also

### **Properties**

BusManagementStatus

## **EOSCharCode**

Specify EOS character

### **Description**

You can configure EOSCharCode to an integer value ranging from 0 to 255, or to the equivalent ASCII character. For example, to configure EOSCharCode to a carriage return, you specify the value to be CR or 13.

EOSCharCode replaces \n wherever it appears in the ASCII command sent to the instrument. Note that %s\n is the default format for the fprintf function.

For many practical applications, you will configure both EOSCharCode and the EOSMode property. EOSMode specifies when the EOS character is used. If EOSMode is write or read&write (writing is enabled), the EOI line is asserted every time the EOSCharCode value is written to the instrument. If EOSMode is read or read&write (reading is enabled), then the read operation might terminate when the EOSCharCode value is detected. For GPIB objects, the CompareBits property specifies the number of bits that must match the EOS character to complete a read or write operation.

To see how EOSCharCode and EOSMode work together, refer to the example on page 24-36 given in the EOSMode property description.

### Characteristics

Usage GPIB, VISA-GPIB, VISA-VXI, VISA-GPIB-VXI, VISA-USB

Read only Never
Data type ASCII value

#### **Values**

An integer value ranging from 0 to 255 or the equivalent ASCII character. The default value is LF, which corresponds to a line feed.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

fprintf

### **Properties**

CompareBits, EOSMode

## **EOSMode**

Specify when EOS character is written or read

### **Description**

For GPIB, VISA-GPIB, VISA-VXI, VISA-GPIB-VXI, and VISA-USB objects, you can configure EOSMode to be none, read, write, or read&write.

If EOSMode is none, the End-Of-String (EOS) character is ignored. If EOSMode is read, the EOS character is used to terminate a read operation. If EOSMode is write, the EOS character is appended to the ASCII command being written whenever \n is encountered. When the EOS character is written to the instrument, the End Or Identify (EOI) line is asserted. If EOSMode is read&write, the EOS character is used in both read and write operations.

The EOS character is specified by the EOSCharCode property. For GPIB objects, the CompareBits property specifies the number of bits that must match the EOS character to complete a read operation, or to assert the EOI line.

### **Rules for Completing a Read Operation**

For any EOSMode value, the read operation completes when

- The EOI line is asserted.
- Specified number of values is read.
- · A timeout occurs.

Additionally, if EOSMode is read or read&write (reading is enabled), then the read operation can complete when the EOSCharCode property value is detected.

### **Rules for Completing a Write Operation**

Regardless of the EOSMode value, a write operation completes when

- The specified number of values is written.
- · A timeout occurs.

Additionally, if EOSMode is write or read&write, the EOI line is asserted each time the EOSCharCode property value is written to the instrument.

### Characteristics

Usage GPIB, VISA-GPIB, VISA-VXI, VISA-GPIB-VXI, VISA-USB

Read only Never

Data type Character vector

#### **Values**

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

The EOS character is ignored. {none}

read The EOS character is used for each read operation. write The EOS character is used for each write operation.

read&write The EOS character is used for each read and write operation.

### **Examples**

Suppose you input a nominal voltage signal of 2.0 volts into a function generator, and read back the voltage value using fscanf.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
fopen(g)
fprintf(g,'Volt?')
out = fscanf(g)
out =
+2.00000E+00
```

The EOSMode and EOSCharCode properties are configured to terminate the read operation when an E character is encountered.

```
g.EOSMode = 'read'
g.EOSCharCode = 'E'
fprintf(g,'Volt?')
out = fscanf(g)
out =
+2.00000
```

### See Also

### **Properties**

CompareBits, EOIMode, EOSCharCode

# **ErrorFcn**

Specify callback function to execute when error event occurs

## **Description**

You configure ErrorFcn to execute a callback function when an error event occurs.

**Note** An error event is generated only for asynchronous read and write operations.

An error event is generated when a timeout occurs. A timeout occurs if a read or write operation does not successfully complete within the time specified by the Timeout property. An error event is not generated for configuration errors such as setting an invalid property value.

If the RecordStatus property value is on, and an error event occurs, the record file records this information:

- The event type as Error
- The error message
- The time the event occurred using the format day-month-year hour:minute:second:millisecond

### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Never

Data type Callback function

#### **Values**

The default value is an empty character vector.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

record

### **Properties**

RecordStatus, Timeout

# **FlowControl**

Specify data flow control method to use

## **Description**

You can configure FlowControl to be none, hardware, or software. If FlowControl is none, then data flow control (handshaking) is not used. If FlowControl is hardware, then hardware handshaking is used to control data flow. If FlowControl is software, then software handshaking is used to control data flow.

Hardware handshaking typically utilizes the Request to Send (RTS) and Clear to Send (CTS) pins to control data flow. Software handshaking uses control characters (Xon and Xoff) to control data flow. To learn more about hardware and software handshaking, refer to "Use Serial Port Control Pins" on page 6-22.

You can return the value of the CTS pin with the PinStatus property. You can specify the value of the RTS pin with the RequestToSend property. However, if FlowControl is hardware, and you specify a value for RequestToSend, then that value might not be honored.

If you set the FlowControl property to hardware on a serial object, and a hardware connection is not detected, the fwrite and the fprintf functions will return an error message. This occurs if a device is not connected, or a connected device is not asserting that is ready to receive data. Check you remote device's status and flow control settings to see if hardware flow control is causing errors in MATLAB.

**Notes** If you want to check to see if the device is asserting that it is ready to receive data, set the FlowControl to none. Once you connect to the device check the PinStatus structure for ClearToSend. If ClearToSend is off, there is a problem on the remote device side. If ClearToSend is on, there is a hardware FlowControl device prepared to receive data and you can execute fprintf and fwrite.

Although you might be able to configure your instrument for both hardware handshaking and software handshaking at the same time, the toolbox does not support this behavior.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage Serial port, VISA-serial

Read only Never

Data type Character vector

#### Values

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{none} No flow control is used.

hardware Hardware flow control is used.

software

Software flow control is used.

# See Also

# **Properties**

PinStatus, RequestToSend

# **HandshakeStatus**

State of GPIB handshake lines

# **Description**

HandshakeStatus is a structure array that contains the fields DataValid, NotDataAccepted, and NotReadyForData. These fields indicate the state of the Data Valid (DAV), Not Data Accepted (NDAC) and Not Ready For Data (NRFD) GPIB lines, respectively.

HandshakeStatus can be on or off for any of these fields. A value of on indicates the associated line is asserted. A value of off indicates the associated line is unasserted.

## **Characteristics**

Usage GPIB
Read only Never
Data type Structure

### **Values**

on The associated handshake line is asserted off The associated handshake line is unasserted

The default value is instrument dependent.

# **HardwareAssets**

Array of hardware assets contained in IVI configuration store

# **Description**

 ${\tt Hardware Assets} \ specifies \ all \ hardware \ assets \ in \ the \ IVI \ configuration \ store, \ each \ hardware \ asset \ referencing \ an \ {\tt IOResourceDescriptor}.$ 

## **Characteristics**

Usage IVI configuration store object

Read only Always

Data type Array of Structs

## **Values**

The default value is empty.

## See Also

## **Properties**

DriverSessions, SoftwareModules

# **HwIndex**

Hardware index of device group object

# **Description**

Every device group object contained by a device object has an associated hardware index that is used to reference that device group object. For example, to configure property values for an individual device group object, you must reference the group object through its property name and the appropriate HwIndex value.

HwIndex provides a convenient way to programmatically access device group objects.

## **Characteristics**

Usage **Device Group** 

Read only Always Data type Double

## **Values**

The default value is defined at the device group object creation.

## See Also

#### **Properties**

HwName

# **HwName**

Hardware name of device group object

# **Description**

Every device group object contained by a device object has an associated hardware name that can be used to reference that device group object.

HwName provides a convenient way to programmatically access device group objects.

## **Characteristics**

Usage Device Group

Read only Always

Data type Character vector

## **Values**

The default value is defined at the device group object creation.

## **See Also**

## **Properties**

HwIndex

# InputBufferSize

Specify size of input buffer in bytes

## **Description**

You configure InputBufferSize as the total number of bytes that can be stored in the software input buffer during a read operation.

A read operation is terminated if the amount of data stored in the input buffer equals the InputBufferSize value. You can read text data with the fgetl, fgets, or fscanf functions. You can read binary data with the fread function.

You can configure InputBufferSize only when the instrument object is disconnected from the instrument. You disconnect an object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

If you configure InputBufferSize while there is data in the input buffer, then that data is flushed.

### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only While open
Data type Double

#### **Values**

The default value is 512 bytes.

# **Examples**

This example shows how to set the input buffer size for a serial port object. The InputBufferSize property specifies the total number of bytes that can be stored in the software input buffer during a read operation. By default, InputBufferSize is 512 bytes. There could be a case when you would want to increase it to higher than the default size.

Create a serial port object associated with the COM1 port. Set the input buffer size to 768 bytes.

```
s = serial('COM1');
s.InputBufferSize = 768;
```

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

fclose, fgetl, fgets, fopen, fread, fscanf

## **Properties**

Status

# InputDatagramPacketSize

Specify length of data received in a datagram

# **Description**

Specify the length of the data received in a datagram. The size is the number of bytes of the packet's data buffer used to receive data.

If the data in a datagram packet is larger than the InputDatagramPacketSize the incoming data is truncated and some data is lost.

## **Characteristics**

**UDP** Usage

Read only When open Data type Double

### **Values**

You can specify a size, in bytes, between 1 and 65,535. The default value is 512.

## **See Also**

#### **Functions**

udp

### **Properties**

Output Datagram Packet Size

# **InstrumentModel**

Instrument model that object connects to

# **Description**

InstrumentModel returns the information returned by the instrument identification command, e.g., \*IDN?, \*ID?. The instrument identification command is defined by the instrument driver.

## **Characteristics**

Usage Device Read only Always

Data type Character vector

## **Values**

InstrumentModel will be an empty character vector until the object is connected to the instrument with the connect function and the property value is queried.

## See Also

#### **Functions**

connect, get

# **Interface**

Interface object that communicates with instrument

# **Description**

If DriverType is MATLAB Instrument Driver, then Interface is the interface object used to communicate with the instrument. If DriverType is VXIplug&play or IVI-C, then Interface is the handle to the VISA session that is used to communicate with the instrument.

## **Characteristics**

Usage Device Read only Always

Character vector Data type

## **Values**

Interface is defined at device object creation.

### See Also

#### **Properties**

DriverType, LogicalName, RsrcName

# InterfaceIndex

Specify USB interface number

## **Description**

You configure InterfaceIndex to be the USB interface number.

The Name and RsrcName properties are automatically updated to reflect the InterfaceIndex value.

You can configure InterfaceIndex only when the object is disconnected from the instrument. You disconnect a connected object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

## **Characteristics**

Usage VISA-USB Read only While open Data type Double

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fclose

#### **Properties**

Name, RsrcName

# InterruptFcn

Specify callback function to execute when interrupt event occurs

# **Description**

You configure InterruptFcn to execute a callback function when an interrupt event occurs. An interrupt event is generated when a VXI bus signal or a VXI bus interrupt is received from the instrument.

**Note** An interrupt event can be generated at any time during the instrument control session.

If the RecordStatus property value is on, and an interrupt event occurs, the record file records

- The event type as Interrupt
- The time the event occurred using the format day-month-year hour:minute:second:millisecond

### **Characteristics**

Usage VISA-VXI Read only Never

Data type Character vector

### **Values**

The default value is an empty character vector.

### See Also

**Functions** 

record

#### **Properties**

RecordStatus

# **LANName**

Specify LAN device name

## **Description**

You configure LANName to be the LAN (Local Area Network) device name.

The Name and RsrcName properties are automatically updated to reflect the LANName value.

You can configure LANName only when the object is disconnected from the instrument. You disconnect a connected object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

## **Characteristics**

Usage VISA-TCPIP Read only While open

Data type Character vector

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fclose

#### **Properties**

Name, RsrcName

# LocalHost

Specify local host

# **Description**

Local Host specifies the local host name or the IP dotted decimal address. An example dotted decimal address is 144.212.100.10. If you have only one address or you do not specify this property, the object uses the default IP address when you connect to the hardware with the fopen function.

You can configure LocalHost only when the object is disconnected from the hardware. You disconnect a connected object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

### **Characteristics**

TCPIP, UDP Usage Read only While open

Character vector Data type

### **Values**

The default value is an empty character vector.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fclose, fopen, tcpip, udp

#### **Properties**

LocalPort, RemoteHost, Status

# LocalPort

Specify local host port for connection

## **Description**

You configure LocalPort to be the port value of the local host. The default value is [].

If LocalPortMode is set to auto or if LocalPort is [], the property is assigned any free port when you connect the object to the hardware with the fopen function. If LocalPortMode is set to manual, the specified LocalPort value is used when you issue fopen. If you explicitly configure LocalPort, LocalPortMode is automatically set to manual.

You can configure LocalPort only when the object is disconnected from the hardware. You disconnect a connected object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

### **Characteristics**

Usage TCPIP, UDP
Read only While open
Data type Double

#### **Values**

The default value is [].

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fclose, fopen, tcpip, udp

#### **Properties**

LocalHost, LocalPortMode, Status

# LocalPortMode

Specify local host port selection mode

## **Description**

LocalPortMode specifies the selection mode for the LocalPort property when you connect a TCPIP or UDP object.

If LocalPortMode is set to auto, the MATLAB workspace uses any free local port. If LocalPortMode is set to manual, the specified LocalPort value is used when you issue the fopen function. If you explicitly specify a value for LocalPort, LocalPortMode is automatically set to manual.

### **Characteristics**

TCPIP, UDP Usage Read only While open

Character vector Data type

### **Values**

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

Use any free local port. {auto}

Use the specified local port value. manual

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fclose, fopen, tcpip, udp

### **Properties**

LocalHost, LocalPort, Status

# LogicalAddress

Specify logical address of VXI instrument

## **Description**

For VISA-VXI and VISA-GPIB-VXI objects, you configure LogicalAddress to be the logical address of the VXI instrument. You must include the logical address as part of the resource name during object creation using the visa function.

The Name and RsrcName properties are automatically updated to reflect the Logical Address value.

You can configure LogicalAddress only when the object is disconnected from the instrument. You disconnect a connected object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

### **Characteristics**

Usage VISA-VXI, VISA-GPIB-VXI

Read only While open
Data type Double

### **Values**

The value is defined when the instrument object is created.

# **Examples**

This example creates a VISA-VXI object associated with chassis 4 and logical address 1, and then returns the logical address.

```
vv = visa('keysight','VXI4::1::INSTR');
vv.LogicalAddress
ans =
    1
```

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

fclose, visa

#### **Properties**

Name, RsrcName, Status

# LogicalName

Specify description of interface used to communicate with instrument

## **Description**

For device objects with a DriverType property value of MATLAB Instrument Driver, the LogicalName property specifies the type of interface used to communicate with the instrument. For example, a LogicalName of GPIB0-2 indicates that communication is through a GPIB board at index 0 with an instrument at primary address 2.

For device objects with a DriverType property value of VXIplug&play, the LogicalName is the resource name used to communicate with the instrument.

For device objects with a DriverType property value of IVI-C, the LogicalName is the LogicalName associated with the IVI-C driver.

### **Characteristics**

Usage Device Read only Always

Data type Character vector

#### **Values**

LogicalName is defined at device object creation.

### See Also

#### **Properties**

DriverType, Interface, RsrcName

# **LogicalNames**

Array of logical names contained in IVI configuration store

# **Description**

Each entry in LogicalNames identifies a logical name in the IVI configuration store. Each logical name references a driver session in the configuration store, and is used in creating device objects with the icdevice function.

## **Characteristics**

Usage IVI configuration store object

Read only Always

Data type Array of Structs

## See Also

**Functions** 

icdevice

### **Properties**

DriverSessions

# **ManufacturerID**

Specify manufacturer ID of USB instrument

## **Description**

You configure ManufacturerID to be the manufacturer ID of the USB instrument.

The Name and RsrcName properties are automatically updated to reflect the ManufacturerID value.

You can configure ManufacturerID only when the object is disconnected from the instrument. You disconnect a connected object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

## **Characteristics**

**VISA-USB** Usage Read only While open

Character vector Data type

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fclose

#### **Properties**

Name, RsrcName

# MappedMemoryBase

Base memory address of mapped memory

# **Description**

MappedMemoryBase is the base address of the mapped memory used for low level read and write operations.

The memory address is returned as a character vector representing a hexadecimal value. For example, if the mapped memory base is 200000, then MappedMemoryBase returns 200000H. If no memory is mapped, MappedMemoryBase is 0H.

Use the memmap function to map the specified amount of memory in the specified address space (A16, A24, or A32) with the specified offset. Use the memunmap function to unmap the memory space.

### **Characteristics**

Usage VISA-VXI, VISA-GPIB-VXI

Read only Always

Data type Character vector

#### Values

The default value is 0H.

# **Examples**

Create the VISA-VXI object vv associated with a VXI chassis with index 0, and a Keysight E1432A digitizer with logical address 130.

```
vv = visa('keysight','VXI0::130::INSTR');
fopen(vv)
```

Map 16 bytes in the A16 address space with no offset, and then return the base address of the mapped memory.

```
memmap(vv,'A16',0,16)
vv.MappedMemoryBase
ans =
    16737610H
```

### See Also

#### **Functions**

memmap, memunmap

# **Properties**

Mapped Memory Size

# MappedMemorySize

Size of mapped memory for low-level read and write operations

## **Description**

MappedMemorySize indicates the amount of memory mapped for low-level read and write operations.

Use the memmap function to map the specified amount of memory in the specified address space (A16, A24, or A32) with the specified offset. Use the memunmap function to unmap the memory space.

### **Characteristics**

Usage VISA-VXI, VISA-GPIB-VXI

Read only Always
Data type Double

#### **Values**

The default value is 0.

# **Examples**

Create the VISA-VXI object vv associated with a VXI chassis with index 0, and a Keysight E1432A digitizer with logical address 130.

```
vv = visa('keysight','VXI0::130::INSTR');
fopen(vv)
```

Map 16 bytes in the A16 address space with no offset, and then return the size of the mapped memory.

```
memmap(vv,'A16',0,16)
vv.MappedMemorySize
ans =
    16
```

### See Also

#### **Functions**

memmap, memunmap

#### **Properties**

MappedMemoryBase

# **MasterLocation**

Full pathname of master configuration store file

# **Description**

MasterLocation identifies the master (default) configuration store location.

## **Characteristics**

Usage IVI configuration store object

Read only Always

Data type Character vector

## **Values**

The default value is set at IVI installation.

## See Also

### **Properties**

ActualLocation, ProcessLocation

# **MemoryBase**

Base address of A24 or A32 space

## **Description**

MemoryBase indicates the base address of the A24 or A32 space. The value is returned as a character vector representing a hexadecimal value.

All VXI instruments have an A16 address space that is 16 bits wide. There are also 24- and 32-bit wide address spaces known as A24 and A32. Some instruments require the additional memory associated with the A24 or A32 address space when the 64 bytes of A16 space are insufficient for performing necessary functions. A bit in the A16 address space is set allowing the instrument to recognize commands to its A24 or A32 space.

An instrument cannot use both the A24 and A32 address space. The address space is given by the MemorySpace property. If MemorySpace is A16, then MemoryBase is 0H.

#### Characteristics

Usage VISA-VXI, VISA-GPIB-VXI

Read only Always

Data type Character vector

### **Values**

The default value is 0H.

# **Examples**

Create the VISA-VXI object vv associated with a VXI chassis with index 0, and a Keysight E1432A digitizer with logical address 130.

```
vv = visa('keysight','VXI0::130::INSTR');
fopen(vv)
```

The MemorySpace property indicates that the A24 memory space is supported.

```
vv.MemorySpace
ans =
A16/A24
```

The base address of the A24 space is

```
vv.MemoryBase
ans =
'200000H'
```

# See Also

# **Properties**

MemorySpace

# MemoryIncrement

Specify whether VXI register offset increments after data is transferred

## **Description**

You can configure MemoryIncrement to be block or FIFO. If MemoryIncrement is block, the memread and memwrite functions increment the offset after every read and write operation, and data is transferred from or to consecutive memory elements. If MemoryIncrement is FIFO, the memread and memwrite functions do not increment the VXI register offset, and data is always read from or written to the same memory element.

#### Characteristics

Usage VISA-VXI, VISA-GPIB-VXI

Read only Never

Data type Character vector

#### **Values**

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{block} Increment the VXI register offset.

FIFO Do not increment the VXI register offset.

## **Examples**

Create the VISA-VXI object  $\nu$  associated with a VXI chassis with index 0, and an instrument with logical address 8.

```
v = visa('ni','VXI0::8::INSTR');
fopen(v)
```

Configure the hardware for a FIFO read and write operation.

```
v.MemoryIncrement = 'FIF0'
```

Write two values to the VXI register starting at offset 16. Because MemoryIncrement is FIFO, the VXI register offset does not change and both values are written to offset 16.

```
memwrite(v,[1984 2000],16,'uint32','A16')
```

Read the value at offset 16. The value returned is the second value written with the memwrite function.

```
memread(v,16,'uint32')
ans =
2000
```

Read two values starting at offset 16. Note that both values are read at offset 16.

```
memread(v,16,'uint32','A16',2);
ans =
2000
2000
```

Configure the hardware for a block read and write operation.

```
v.MemoryIncrement = 'block'
```

Write two values to the VXI register starting at offset 16. The first value is written to offset 16 and the second value is written to offset 20 because a uint32 value consists of four bytes.

```
memwrite(v,[1984 2000],16,'uint32','A16')
```

Read the value at offset 16. The value returned is the first value written with the memwrite function.

```
memread(v,16,'uint32')
ans =
1984
```

Read two values starting at offset 16. The first value is read at offset 16 and the second value is read at offset 20.

```
memread(v,16,'uint32','A16',2);
ans =
1984
2000
```

### See Also

#### **Functions**

mempeek, mempoke, memread, memwrite

# MemorySize

Size of memory requested in A24 or A32 address space

## **Description**

MemorySize indicates the size of the memory requested by the instrument in the A24 or A32 address space.

Some instruments use the A24 or A32 address space when the 64 bytes of A16 space are not enough for performing necessary functions. An instrument cannot use both the A24 and A32 address space. The address space is given by the MemorySpace property. If MemorySpace is A16, then MemorySize is  $\theta$ .

## **Characteristics**

Usage VISA-VXI, VISA-GPIB-VXI

Read only Always
Data type Double

#### **Values**

The default value is 0.

# **Examples**

Create the VISA-VXI object vv associated with a VXI chassis with index 0, and a Keysight E1432A digitizer with logical address 130.

```
vv = visa('keysight','VXI0::130::INSTR');
fopen(vv)
```

The MemorySpace property indicates that the A24 memory space is supported.

```
vv.MemorySpace
ans =
A16/A24
The size of the A24 space is
vv.MemorySize
ans =
```

#### See Also

262144

#### **Properties**

MemorySpace

# **MemorySpace**

Address space used by instrument

## **Description**

MemorySpace indicates the address space requested by the instrument. MemorySpace can be A16, A16/A24, or A16/A32. If MemorySpace is A16, the instrument uses only the A16 address space. If MemorySpace is A16/A24, the instrument uses the A16 and A24 address space. If MemorySpace is A16/A32, the instrument uses the A16 and A32 address space.

All VXI instruments have an A16 address space that is 16 bits wide. There are also 24- and 32-bit wide address spaces known as A24 and A32, respectively. Some instruments use this memory when the 64 bytes of A16 space are not enough for performing necessary functions. An instrument cannot use both the A24 and A32 address space.

The size of the memory is given by the MemorySize property. The base address of the memory is given by the MemoryBase property.

### **Characteristics**

Usage VISA-VXI, VISA-GPIB-VXI

Read only Always

Data type Character vector

#### Values

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{A16} The instrument uses the A16 address space.

A16/A24 The instrument uses the A16 and A24 address space.

A16/A32 The instrument uses the A16 and A32 address space.

## **Examples**

Create the VISA-VXI object vv associated with a VXI chassis with index 0, and a Keysight E1432A digitizer with logical address 130.

```
vv = visa('keysight','VXI0::130::INSTR');
fopen(vv)
```

Return the memory space supported by the instrument.

```
vv.MemorySpace
ans =
A16/A24
```

This value indicates that the instrument supports A24 memory space in addition to the A16 memory space.

# See Also

# **Properties**

 $MemoryBase,\,MemorySize$ 

# **ModelCode**

Specify model code of USB instrument

## **Description**

You configure ModelCode to be the model code of the USB instrument.

The Name and RsrcName properties are automatically updated to reflect the ModelCode value.

You can configure ModelCode only when the object is disconnected from the instrument. You disconnect a connected object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

## **Characteristics**

**VISA-USB** Usage Read only While open

Character vector Data type

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fclose

#### **Properties**

Name, RsrcName

# Name

Specify descriptive name for instrument object

## **Description**

You configure Name to be a descriptive name for an instrument object.

When you create an instrument object, a descriptive name is automatically generated and stored in Name. However, you can change this value at any time. As shown below, the components of Name reflect the instrument object type and the input arguments you supply to the creation function.

Instrument Object	Default Value of Name
GPIB	GPIB and BoardIndex-PrimaryAddress-SecondaryAddress
serial port	Serial and Port
TCPIP	TCPIP and RemoteHost
UDP	UDP and RemoteHost
VISA-serial	VISA-Serial and Port
VISA-GPIB	VISA-GPIB and BoardIndex-PrimaryAddress-SecondaryAddress
VISA-VXI	VISA-VXI and ChassisIndex-LogicalAddress
VISA-GPIB-VXI	VISA-GPIB-VXI and ChassisIndex-LogicalAddress
VISA-TCPIP	VISA-TCPIP and BoardIndex-RemoteHost-LANName
VISA-RSIB	VISA-RSIB and RemoteHost
VISA-USB	VISA-USB and BoardIndex-ManufacturerID- ModelCode- SerialNumber-InterfaceIndex

If the secondary address is not specified when a GPIB or VISA-GPIB object is created, then Name does not include this component.

If you change the value of any property that is a component of Name (for example, Port or PrimaryAddress), then Name is automatically updated to reflect those changes.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read-only Never

Data type Character vector

#### Values

Name is automatically defined at object creation time. The value of Name depends on the specific instrument object you create.

# Name (iviconfigurationstore)

Name of IVI configuration server

# **Description**

Name identifies the name of the IVI configuration store server. This is not user-configurable.

# **Characteristics**

IVI configuration store object Usage

Read only Always

Data type Character vector

# **NetworkRole**

Specify server socket connection

# **Description**

The NetworkRole property in the tcpip interface enables support for Server Sockets. It uses two values, client and server, to establish a connection as the client or the server.

The server sockets feature supports binary and ASCII transfers and supports a single remote connection.

### **Characteristics**

Usage TCPIP

Read only While open

Data type Character vector

### **Values**

The default value is client.

client Establish a TCP/IP connection as a client (default)

server Establish a TCP/IP connection as a server

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fclose, fopen, tcpip

#### **How To**

"Communicate Using TCP/IP Server Sockets" on page 7-34

# **ObjectVisibility**

Control access to instrument object

## **Description**

The ObjectVisibility property provides a way for application developers to prevent end-user access to the instrument objects created by their application. When an object's ObjectVisibility property is set to off, instrfind and instrreset do not return or delete those objects.

Objects that are not visible are still valid. If you have access to the object (for example, from within the file that creates it), then you can set and get its properties and pass it to any function that operates on instrument objects.

### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Never

Data type Character vector

#### Values

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{on} Object is visible to instrfind and instrreset

off Object is not visible from the command line (except by instrfindall)

# **Examples**

The following statement creates an instrument object with its ObjectVisibility property set to off:

```
g = gpib('mcc',0,2,'ObjectVisibility','off');
instrfind
ans =
   []
```

However, since the object is in the workspace (g), you can access it.

```
g.ObjectVisibility
ans =
    off
```

# See Also

# **Functions**

instrfind, instrfindall, instrreset

# **OutputBufferSize**

Specify size of output buffer in bytes

## **Description**

You configure OutputBufferSize as the total number of bytes that can be stored in the software output buffer during a write operation.

An error occurs if the output buffer cannot hold all the data to be written. You write text data with the fprintf function. You write binary data with the fwrite function.

You can configure OutputBufferSize only when the instrument object is disconnected from the instrument. You disconnect an object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

## **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only While open
Data type Double

#### **Values**

The default value is 512 bytes.

# **Examples**

This example shows how to set the output buffer size for a serial port object. The <code>OutputBufferSize</code> property specifies the maximum number of bytes that can be written to the instrument at once. By default, <code>OutputBufferSize</code> is <code>512</code> bytes. There could be a case when you would want to limit it to less than the default size.

Create a serial port object associated with the COM1 port. Set the output buffer size to 256 bytes.

```
s = serial('COM1');
s.OutputBufferSize = 256;
```

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fprintf, fwrite

#### **Properties**

Status

# OutputDatagramPacketSize

Specify length of data sent in a datagram

# **Description**

Specify the length of the data sent in a datagram. The size is the number of bytes of the packet's data buffer used to send data.

If the data in a datagram packet is larger than the packet size the target device receives, some data is lost

### **Characteristics**

Usage UDP

Read only When open Data type Double

### **Values**

You can specify a size, in bytes, between 1 and 65,535. The default value is 512.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

udp

### **Properties**

InputDatagramPacketSize

# OutputEmptyFcn

Specify callback function to execute when output buffer is empty

## **Description**

You configure OutputEmptyFcn to execute a callback function when an output-empty event occurs. An output-empty event is generated when the last byte is sent from the output buffer to the instrument.

**Note** An output-empty event can be generated only for asynchronous write operations.

If the RecordStatus property value is on, and an output-empty event occurs, the record file records this information:

- The event type as OutputEmpty
- The time the event occurred using the format day-month-year hour:minute:second:millisecond

### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Never

Data type Callback function

### **Values**

The default value is an empty character vector.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

record

### **Properties**

RecordStatus

# **Parent**

Parent (device object) of device group object

# **Description**

The parent of a device group object is defined as the device object that contains the device group object.

You can create a copy of the device object containing a particular device group object by returning the value of Parent. This copy can be treated like any other device object. For example, you can configure property values, connect to the instrument, and so on.

### **Characteristics**

Usage Device group

Read only Always

Data type Device object

### **Values**

Parent is defined at device object creation.

# **Parity**

Specify type of parity checking

## **Description**

You can configure Parity to be none, odd, even, mark, or space. If Parity is none, parity checking is not performed and the parity bit is not transmitted. If Parity is odd, the number of mark bits (1s) in the data is counted, and the parity bit is asserted or unasserted to obtain an odd number of mark bits. If Parity is even, the number of mark bits in the data is counted, and the parity bit is asserted or unasserted to obtain an even number of mark bits. If Parity is mark, the parity bit is asserted. If Parity is space, the parity bit is unasserted.

Parity checking can detect errors of one bit only. An error in two bits might cause the data to have a seemingly valid parity, when in fact it is incorrect. To learn more about parity checking, refer to "Parity Bit" on page 6-8.

In addition to the parity bit, the serial data format consists of a start bit, between five and eight data bits, and one or two stop bits. You specify the number of data bits with the DataBits property, and the number of stop bits with the StopBits property.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage Serial port, VISA-serial

Read only Never

Data type Character vector

#### **Values**

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{none}
 No parity checking
 odd Odd parity checking
 even Even parity checking
 mark Mark parity checking
 space Space parity checking

# **Examples**

This example shows how to set the parity for a serial port object.

Create a serial port object associated with the COM1 port. The default setting for Parity is none, so if you want to use parity checking, change the value to the type you want to use, for example, odd.

```
s = serial('COM1');
s.Parity = 'odd';
```

# See Also

# **Properties**

DataBits, StopBits

# **PinStatus**

State of CD, CTS, DSR, and RI pins

## **Description**

PinStatus is a structure array that contains the fields CarrierDetect, ClearToSend, DataSetReady and RingIndicator. These fields indicate the state of the Carrier Detect (CD), Clear to Send (CTS), Data Set Ready (DSR) and Ring Indicator (RI) pins, respectively. Refer to "Control Pins" on page 6-5 to learn more about these pins.

PinStatus can be on or off for any of these fields. A value of on indicates the associated pin is asserted. A value of off indicates the associated pin is unasserted. For serial port objects, a pin status event occurs when any of these pins changes its state. A pin status event executes the file specified by PinStatusFcn.

In normal usage, the Data Terminal Ready (DTR) and DSR pins work together, while the Request To Send (RTS) and CTS pins work together. You can specify the state of the DTR pin with the DataTerminalReady property. You can specify the state of the RTS pin with the RequestToSend property.

Refer to "Connect Two Modems" on page 6-22 for an example that uses PinStatus.

### Characteristics

Usage Serial port, VISA-serial

Read only Always
Data type Structure

#### Values

off The associated pin is asserted on The associated pin is asserted

The default value is instrument dependent.

### See Also

### **Properties**

DataTerminalReady, PinStatusFcn, RequestToSend

# **PinStatusFcn**

Specify callback function to execute when CD, CTS, DSR, or RI pin changes state

## **Description**

You configure PinStatusFcn to execute a callback function when a pin status event occurs. A pin status event occurs when the Carrier Detect (CD), Clear to Send (CTS), Data Set Ready (DSR) or Ring Indicator (RI) pin changes state. A serial port pin changes state when it is asserted or unasserted. Information about the state of these pins is recorded in the PinStatus property.

**Note** A pin status event can be generated at any time during the instrument control session.

If the RecordStatus property value is on, and a pin status event occurs, the record file records this information:

- The event type as PinStatus
- The pin that changed its state, and pin state as either on or off
- The time the event occurred using the format day-month-year hour:minute:second:millisecond

### **Characteristics**

Usage Serial port Read only Never

Data type Callback function

### **Values**

The default value is an empty character vector.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

record

#### **Properties**

PinStatus, RecordStatus

## Port

Specify platform-specific serial port name

## **Description**

You configure Port to be the name of a serial port on your platform. Port specifies the physical port associated with the object and the instrument.

When you create a serial port or VISA-serial object, Port is automatically assigned the port name specified for the serial or visa function.

You can configure Port only when the object is disconnected from the instrument. You disconnect an object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

### **Characteristics**

Usage Serial port, VISA-serial

Read only While open

Data type Character vector

#### **Values**

The value is determined when the instrument object is created.

# **Examples**

Suppose you create a serial port and VISA-serial object associated with serial port COM1.

```
s = serial('COM1')
vs = visa('ni','ASRL1::INSTR')
```

The Port property values are given below.

```
[s vs].Port
ans =
'COM1'
'ASRL1'
```

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fclose, serial, visa

#### **Properties**

Name, RsrcName, Status

# **PrimaryAddress**

Specify primary address of GPIB instrument

## **Description**

For GPIB and VISA-GPIB objects, you configure PrimaryAddress to be the GPIB primary address associated with your instrument. The primary address can range from 0 to 30, and you must specify it during object creation using the gpib or visa function. For VISA-GPIB-VXI objects, PrimaryAddress is read-only, and the value is returned automatically by the VISA interface after the object is connected to the instrument with the fopen function.

For GPIB and VISA-GPIB objects, the Name property is automatically updated to reflect the PrimaryAddress value. For VISA-GPIB objects, the RsrcName property is automatically updated to reflect the PrimaryAddress value.

You can configure PrimaryAddress only when the GPIB or VISA-GPIB object is disconnected from the instrument. You disconnect a connected object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

### Characteristics

Usage GPIB, VISA-GPIB, VISA-GPIB-VXI

Read only While open (GPIB, VISA-GPIB), always (VISA-GPIB-VXI)

Data type Double

#### **Values**

PrimaryAddress can range from 0 to 30. The value is determined when the instrument object is created.

# **Examples**

This example creates a VISA-GPIB object associated with board 0, primary address 1, and secondary address 8, and then returns the primary address.

```
vg = visa('keysight','GPIB0::1::8::INSTR');
vg.PrimaryAddress
ans =
    1
```

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

fclose, gpib, visa

### **Properties**

Name, RsrcName, Status

# **ProcessLocation**

Configuration store file for process to use if master configuration store is not used

# **Description**

ProcessLocation identifies an IVI configuration store being used as an alternative to the master configuration store. The use of an alternative is particular to each iviconfigurationstore object, and is specified when the object is created.

### **Characteristics**

Usage IVI configuration store object

Read only Always

Data type Character vector

#### **Values**

The default value is an empty character vector.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

iviconfigurationstore

### **Properties**

ActualLocation, MasterLocation

# **PublishedAPIs**

Array of published APIs in IVI configuration store

# **Description**

PublishedAPIs identifies the published APIs in the IVI configuration store server. This is not userconfigurable.

### **Characteristics**

IVI configuration store object Usage

Read only Always

Data type Array of Structs

# ReadAsyncMode

Specify whether asynchronous read operation is continuous or manual

## **Description**

You can configure ReadAsyncMode to be continuous or manual. If ReadAsyncMode is continuous, the object continuously queries the instrument to determine if data is available to be read. If data is available, it is automatically read and stored in the input buffer. If issued, the readasync function is ignored.

If ReadAsyncMode is manual, the object will not query the instrument to determine if data is available to be read. Instead, you must manually issue the readasync function to perform an asynchronous read operation. Because readasync checks for the terminator, this function can be slow. To increase speed, you should configure ReadAsyncMode to continuous.

**Note** If the instrument is ready to transmit data, then it will do so regardless of the ReadAsyncMode value. Therefore, if ReadAsyncMode is manual and a read operation is not in progress, then data can be lost. To guarantee that all transmitted data is stored in the input buffer, you should configure ReadAsyncMode to continuous.

You can determine the amount of data available in the input buffer with the BytesAvailable property. For either ReadAsyncMode value, you can bring data into the MATLAB workspace with one of the synchronous read functions such as fscanf, fgetl, fgets, or fread.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage Serial port, TCPIP, UDP, VISA-serial

Read only Never

Data type Character vector

#### Values

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{continuous} Continuously query the instrument to determine if data is available to be read.

Manually read data from the instrument using the readasync function.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

fgetl, fgets, fread, fscanf, readasync

## **Properties**

BytesAvailable, InputBufferSize

# RecordDetail

Specify amount of information saved to record file

## **Description**

You can configure RecordDetail to be compact or verbose. If RecordDetail is compact, the number of values written to the instrument, the number of values read from the instrument, the data type of the values, and event information are saved to the record file. If RecordDetail is verbose, the data transferred to and from the instrument is also saved to the record file.

The verbose record file structure is shown in "Recording Information to Disk" on page 16-7.

### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Never

Data type Character vector

### **Values**

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{compact} The number of values written to the instrument, the number of values read from

the instrument, the data type of the values, and event information are saved to

the record file.

verbose The data written to the instrument, and the data read from the instrument are

also saved to the record file.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

record

#### **Properties**

RecordMode, RecordName, RecordStatus

# RecordMode

Specify whether data and event information are saved to one or to multiple record files

## Description

You can configure RecordMode to be overwrite, append, or index. If RecordMode is overwrite, then the record file is overwritten each time recording is initiated. If RecordMode is append, then data is appended to the record file each time recording is initiated. If RecordMode is index, a different record file is created each time recording is initiated, each with an indexed filename.

You can configure RecordMode only when the object is not recording. You terminate recording with the record function. A object that is not recording has a RecordStatus property value of off.

You specify the record filename with the RecordName property. The indexed filename follows a prescribed set of rules. Refer to "Specifying a File Name" on page 16-6 for a description of these rules.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only While recording
Data type Character vector

#### **Values**

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{overwrite} The record file is overwritten.append Data is appended to the record file.

index Multiple record files are written, each with an indexed filename.

# **Examples**

Suppose you create the serial port object s on a Windows machine associated with the serial port COM1.

```
s = serial('COM1');
fopen(s)
```

Specify the record filename with the RecordName property, configure RecordMode to index, and initiate recording.

```
s.RecordName = 'myrecord.txt';
s.RecordMode = 'index';
record(s)
```

The record filename is automatically updated with an indexed filename after recording is turned off.

```
record(s,'off')
s.RecordName
ans =
myrecord01.txt
```

Disconnect s from the instrument, and remove s from memory and from the MATLAB workspace.

fclose(s)
delete(s)
clear s

# **See Also**

### **Functions**

record

### **Properties**

RecordDetail, RecordName, RecordStatus

# RecordName

Specify name of record file

## **Description**

You configure RecordName to be the name of the record file. You can specify any value for RecordName — including a directory path — provided the filename is supported by your operating system.

The MATLAB software supports any filename supported by your operating system. However, if you access the file through the MATLAB workspace, you might need to specify the filename using single quotes. For example, suppose you name the record file my record.txt. To type this file at the MATLAB Command Window, you must include the name in quotes.

```
type('my record.txt')
```

You can specify whether data and event information are saved to one disk file or to multiple disk files with the RecordMode property. If RecordMode is index, then the filename follows a prescribed set of rules. Refer to "Specifying a File Name" on page 16-6 for a description of these rules.

You can configure RecordName only when the object is not recording. You terminate recording with the record function. An object that is not recording has a RecordStatus property value of off.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only While recording
Data type Character vector

#### **Values**

The default record file name is record.txt.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

record

#### **Properties**

RecordDetail, RecordMode, RecordStatus

# **RecordStatus**

Status of whether data and event information are saved to record file

## **Description**

You can configure RecordStatus to be off or on with the record function. If RecordStatus is off, then data and event information are not saved to a record file. If RecordStatus is on, then data and event information are saved to the record file specified by RecordName.

Use the record function to initiate or complete recording. RecordStatus is automatically configured to reflect the recording state.

### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Always

Data type Character vector

### **Values**

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{off} Data and event information are not written to a record fileon Data and event information are written to a record file

### See Also

#### **Functions**

record

#### **Properties**

RecordDetail, RecordMode, RecordName

# RemoteHost

Specify remote host

## **Description**

RemoteHost specifies the remote host name or IP dotted decimal address. An example dotted decimal address is 144.212.100.10.

For TCPIP objects, you can configure RemoteHost only when the object is disconnected from the hardware. You disconnect a connected object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

For UDP objects, you can configure RemoteHost at any time. If the object is open, a warning is issued if the remote address is invalid.

### **Characteristics**

Usage TCPIP, UDP

Read only While open (TCPIP), never (UDP)

Data type Character vector

### **Values**

The value is defined when you create the TCPIP or UDP object.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fclose, fopen, tcpip, udp

#### **Properties**

LocalHost, RemotePort, Status

# RemotePort

Specify remote host port for connection

# **Description**

You can configure RemotePort to be any port number between 1 and 65535. The default value is 80 for TCPIP objects and 9090 for UDP objects.

For TCPIP objects, you can configure RemotePort only when the object is disconnected from the hardware. You disconnect a connected object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

For UDP objects, you can configure RemotePort at any time.

### **Characteristics**

Usage TCPIP, UDP

Read only While open (TCPIP), never (UDP)

Data type Double

#### **Values**

Any port number between 1 and 65535. The default value is 80 for TCPIP objects and 9090 for UDP objects.

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fclose, fopen, tcpip, udp

#### **Properties**

RemoteHost, LocalPort, Status

# RequestToSend

Specify state of RTS pin

## **Description**

You can configure RequestToSend to be on or off. If RequestToSend is on, the Request to Send (RTS) pin is asserted. If RequestToSend is off, the RTS pin is unasserted.

In normal usage, the RTS and Clear to Send (CTS) pins work together, and are used as standard handshaking pins for data transfer. In this case, RTS and CTS are automatically managed by the DTE and DCE. However, there is nothing in the RS-232, or the RS-484 standard that states the RTS pin must to be used in any specific way. Therefore, if you manually configure the RequestToSend value, it is probably for nonstandard operations.

If your instrument does not use hardware handshaking in the standard way, and you need to manually configure RequestToSend, then you should configure the FlowControl property to none. Otherwise, the RequestToSend value that you specify might not be honored. Refer to your instrument documentation to determine its specific pin behavior.

You can return the value of the CTS pin with the PinStatus property. Handshaking is described in "Control Pins" on page 6-5.

### Characteristics

Usage Serial port, VISA-serial

Read only Never

Data type Character vector

#### **Values**

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{on} The RTS pin is asserted.off The RTS pin is unasserted.

### See Also

### **Properties**

FlowControl, PinStatus

# **Revision**

IVI configuration store version

# **Description**

Revision identifies the version of the IVI configuration store. This is not user-configurable.

# **Characteristics**

Usage IVI configuration store object

Read only Always

Data type Character vector

# **RsrcName**

Resource name for VISA instrument

## **Description**

RsrcName indicates the resource name for a VISA instrument. When you create a VISA object, RsrcName is automatically assigned the value specified in the visa function.

The resource name is a symbolic name for the instrument. The resource name you supply to visa depends on the interface and has the format shown below. The components in brackets are optional and have a default value of 0, except port number, which has a default value of 1.

Interface	Resource Name
VXI	VXI[chassis]::VXI_logical_address::INSTR
GPIB-VXI	GPIB-VXI[chassis]::VXI_logical_address::INSTR
GPIB	GPIB[board]::primary_address[::secondary_address]::INSTR
TCPIP	TCPIP[board]::remote_host[::lan_device_name]::INSTR
RSIB	RSIB::remote_host::INSTR
Serial	ASRL[port_number]::INSTR
USB	USB[board]::manid::model_code::serial_No[::interface_No]::INSTR

If you change the BoardIndex, ChassisIndex, InterfaceIndex, LANName, LogicalAddress, ManufacturerID, ModelCode, Port, PrimaryAddress, RemoteHost, SecondaryAddress, or SerialNumber property value, RsrcName is automatically updated to reflect the change.

#### Characteristics

Usage VISA-GPIB, VISA-VXI, VISA-GPIB-VXI, VISA-serial

Read only Always

Data type Character vector

### **Values**

The value is defined when the instrument object is created.

# **Examples**

To create a VISA-GPIB object associated with a GPIB controller with board index 0 and an instrument with primary address 1, you supply the following resource name to the visa function.

```
vg = visa('ni','GPIB0::1::INSTR');
```

To create a VISA-VXI object associated with a VXI chassis with index 0 and an instrument with logical address 130, you supply the following resource name to the visa function.

```
vv = visa('keysight','VXI0::130::INSTR');
```

To create a VISA-GPIB-VXI object associated with a VXI chassis with index 0 and an instrument with logical address 80, you supply the following resource name to the visa function.

```
vgv = visa('keysight','GPIB-VXI0::80::INSTR');
```

To create a VISA-serial object associated with the COM1 serial port, you supply the following resource name to the visa function.

```
vs = visa('ni', 'ASRL1::INSTR');
```

### See Also

#### **Functions**

visa

### **Properties**

BoardIndex, ChassisIndex, InterfaceIndex, LANName, LogicalAddress, ManufacturerID, ModelCode, Port, PrimaryAddress, RemoteHost, SecondaryAddress, SerialNumber

# SecondaryAddress

Specify secondary address of GPIB instrument

## **Description**

For GPIB and VISA-GPIB objects, you configure SecondaryAddress to be the GPIB secondary address associated with your instrument. You can initially specify the secondary address during object creation using the gpib or visa function. For VISA-GPIB-VXI objects, SecondaryAddress is read-only, and the value is returned automatically by the VISA interface after the object is connected to the instrument with the fopen function.

For GPIB objects, SecondaryAddress can range from 96 to 126, or it can be 0 indicating that no secondary address is used. For VISA-GPIB objects, SecondaryAddress can range from 0 to 30. If your instrument does not have a secondary address, then SecondaryAddress is 0.

For GPIB and VISA-GPIB objects, the Name property is automatically updated to reflect the SecondaryAddress value. For VISA-GPIB objects, the RsrcName property is automatically updated to reflect the SecondaryAddress value.

You can configure SecondaryAddress only when the GPIB or VISA-GPIB object is disconnected from the instrument. You disconnect a connected object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

### **Characteristics**

Usage GPIB, VISA-GPIB, VISA-GPIB-VXI

Read only While open (GPIB, VISA-GPIB), always (VISA-GPIB-VXI)

Data type Double

#### Values

For GPIB objects, SecondaryAddress can range from 96 to 126, or it can be 0. For VISA-GPIB objects, SecondaryAddress can range from 0 to 30. The default value is 0.

# **Examples**

This example creates a VISA-GPIB object associated with board 0, primary address 1, and secondary address 8, and then returns the secondary address.

```
vg = visa('keysight','GPIB0::1::8::INSTR');
vg.SecondaryAddress
ans =
    8
```

# See Also

# **Functions**

fclose, gpib, visa

# **Properties**

Name, RsrcName, Status

# **SerialNumber**

Specify index of USB instrument on USB hub

# **Description**

You configure SerialNumber to be the index of the USB instrument on the USB hub.

The Name and RsrcName properties are automatically updated to reflect the SerialNumber value.

You can configure SerialNumber only when the object is disconnected from the instrument. You disconnect a connected object with the fclose function. A disconnected object has a Status property value of closed.

### **Characteristics**

**VISA-USB** Usage Read only While open

Character vector Data type

### See Also

#### **Functions**

fclose

#### **Properties**

Name, RsrcName

# ServerDescription

IVI configuration store server description

# **Description**

 ${\tt ServerDescription}\ contains\ the\ description\ of\ the\ IVI\ configuration\ store\ server.\ This\ is\ not\ user-configurable.$ 

### **Characteristics**

Usage IVI configuration store object

Read only Always

Data type Character vector

# **Sessions**

Array of driver sessions in IVI configuration store

# **Description**

Sessions identifies the sessions in the IVI configuration store, including the driver sessions.

# **Characteristics**

IVI configuration store object Usage

Read only Always

Array of Structs Data type

## **See Also**

## **Properties**

DriverSessions

# Slot

Slot location of VXI instrument

# **Description**

Slot indicates the physical slot of the VXI instrument. Slot can be any value between  $\theta$  and 12.

# **Characteristics**

Usage VISA-VXI, VISA-GPIB-VXI

Read only Always
Data type Double

## **Values**

The property value is defined when the instrument object is connected.

# **Software Modules**

Array of software modules in IVI configuration store

# **Description**

SoftwareModules identifies the software modules in the IVI configuration store. These are installed by the user, but are not configurable. They include instrument drivers.

### **Characteristics**

Usage IVI configuration store object

Read only Always

Array of Structs Data type

### **Values**

The default value is empty when no software modules are installed.

## See Also

### **Properties**

DriverSessions, HardwareAssets

# **SpecificationVersion**

IVI configuration server specification version that this server revision complies with

## **Description**

SpecificationVersion identifies the specification version of the IVI configuration store server. This is not user-configurable.

### **Characteristics**

Usage IVI configuration store object

Read only Always

Data type Character vector

## **Status**

Status of whether object is connected to instrument

### **Description**

Status can be open or closed. If Status is closed, the object is not connected to the instrument. If Status is open, the object is connected to the instrument.

Before you can write or read data, you must connect the object to the instrument with the fopen function. You use the fclose function to disconnect an object from the instrument.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Always

Data type Character vector

#### **Values**

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{closed} The object is not connected to the instrument. open The object is connected to the instrument.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

fclose, fopen

## **StopBits**

Specify number of bits used to indicate end of byte

### **Description**

You can configure StopBits to be 1, 1.5, or 2 for serial port objects, or 1 or 2 for VISA-serial objects If StopBits is 1, one stop bit is used to indicate the end of data transmission. If StopBits is 2, two stop bits are used to indicate the end of data transmission. If StopBits is 1.5, the stop bit is transferred for 150% of the normal time used to transfer one bit.

**Note** Both the computer and the instrument must be configured to transmit the same number of stop bits.

In addition to the stop bits, the serial data format consists of a start bit, between five and eight data bits, and possibly a parity bit. You specify the number of data bits with the DataBits property, and the type of parity checking with the Parity property.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage Serial port, VISA-serial

Read only Never
Data type double

#### Values

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

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{1} One stop bit is transmitted to indicate the end of a byte.

1.5 The stop bit is transferred for 150% of the normal time used to transfer one

bit.

2 Two stop bits are transmitted to indicate the end of a byte.

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One stop bit is transmitted to indicate the end of a byte.

Two stop bits are transmitted to indicate the end of a byte

### **Examples**

This example shows how to set the StopBits for a serial port object.

Create a serial port object associated with the COM1 port. The default setting for StopBits is 1 for serial port objects. Change the value to use two stop bits to indicate the end of data transmission.

```
s = serial('COM1');
s.StopBits = 2;
```

### **See Also**

### **Properties**

DataBits, Parity

## Tag

Specify label to associate with instrument object

### **Description**

You configure Tag to be a character vector value that uniquely identifies an instrument object.

Tag is particularly useful when constructing programs that would otherwise need to define the instrument object as a global variable, or pass the object as an argument between callback routines.

You can return the instrument object with the instrfind function by specifying the Tag property value.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Never

Data type Character vector

#### **Values**

The default value is an empty character vector.

### **Examples**

Suppose you create a serial port object on a Windows machine associated with the serial port COM1.

```
s = serial('COM1');
fopen(s);
```

You can assign s a unique label using Tag.

```
s.Tag = 'MySerialObj'
```

You can access s in the MATLAB workspace or in a file using the instrfind function and the Tag property value.

```
s1 = instrfind('Tag','MySerialObj');
```

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

instrfind

### **Terminator**

Specify terminator character

### **Description**

For serial, TCPIP, UDP, and VISA-serial objects, you can configure Terminator to an integer value ranging from 0 to 127, to the equivalent ASCII character, or to empty ("). For example, to configure Terminator to a carriage return, you specify the value to be CR or 13. To configure Terminator to a line feed, you specify the value to be LF or 10. For serial port objects, you can also set Terminator to CR/LF or LF/CR. If Terminator is CR/LF, the terminator is a carriage return followed by a line feed. If Terminator is LF/CR, the terminator is a line feed followed by a carriage return. Note that there are no integer equivalents for these two values.

Additionally, you can set Terminator to a 1-by-2 cell array. The first element of the cell is the read terminator and the second element of the cell array is the write terminator.

When performing a write operation using the fprintf function, all occurrences of \n are replaced with the Terminator value. Note that %s\n is the default format for fprintf. A read operation with fgetl, fgets, or fscanf completes when the Terminator value is read. The terminator is ignored for binary operations.

You can also use the terminator to generate a bytes-available event when the BytesAvailableFcnMode is set to terminator.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage Serial, TCPIP, UDP, VISA-serial

Read only Never

Data type ASCII value

#### **Values**

An integer value ranging from 0 to 127, the equivalent ASCII character, or empty ("). For serial port objects, CR/LF and LF/CR are also accepted values. You specify different read and write terminators as a 1-by-2 cell array.

### **Examples**

This example shows how to set the terminator for a serial port object.

Create a serial port object associated with the COM1 port. The oscilloscope you are connecting to over the serial port is configured to a baud rate of 9600 and a carriage return terminator, so set the serial port object to those values.

```
s = serial('COM1');
s.Baudrate = 9600;
s.Terminator = 'CR';
```

### See Also

### **Functions**

fgetl, fgets, fprintf, fscanf

### **Properties**

Bytes Available Fcn Mode

### **Timeout**

Specify waiting time to complete read or write operation

### **Description**

You configure Timeout to be the maximum time (in seconds) to wait to complete a read or write operation.

If a timeout occurs, then the read or write operation aborts. Additionally, if a timeout occurs during an asynchronous read or write operation, then

- An error event is generated.
- The callback function specified for ErrorFcn is executed.

**Note** Timeouts are rounded upwards to full seconds.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Never
Data type Double

#### Values

The default value is 10 seconds.

Note that timeouts are rounded upwards to full seconds.

### **Examples**

You can configure the Timeout to be the maximum time in seconds to wait to complete a read or write operation for most interfaces.

For example, create a GPIB object g associated with a National Instruments GPIB controller with board index 0, and an instrument with primary address 1.

```
g = gpib('ni',0,1);
```

You might want to configure the timeout value to a half minute to account for slow data transfer.

```
g.Timeout = 30;
```

Then when you connect to the instrument and do a data read and write, the timeout value of 30 seconds is used.

### See Also

### **Properties**

ErrorFcn

### **TimerFcn**

Specify callback function to execute when predefined period passes

### **Description**

You configure TimerFcn to execute a callback function when a timer event occurs. A timer event occurs when the time specified by the TimerPeriod property passes. Time is measured relative to when the object is connected to the instrument with fopen.

**Note** A timer event can be generated at any time during the instrument control session.

If the RecordStatus property value is on, and a timer event occurs, the record file records this information:

- The event type as Timer
- The time the event occurred using the format day-month-year hour:minute:second:millisecond

Some timer events might not be processed if your system is significantly slowed or if the TimerPeriod value is too small.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Never

Data type Callback function

#### **Values**

The default value is an empty character vector.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

fopen, record

#### **Properties**

RecordStatus, TimerPeriod

## **TimerPeriod**

Specify period between timer events

### **Description**

TimerPeriod specifies the time, in seconds, that must pass before the callback function specified for TimerFcn is called. Time is measured relative to when the object is connected to the instrument with fopen.

Some timer events might not be processed if your system is significantly slowed or if the TimerPeriod value is too small.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Never
Data type Double

#### **Values**

The default value is 1 second. The minimum value is 0.01 second.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

fopen

#### **Properties**

TimerFcn

## **TransferDelay**

Specify use of TCP segment transfer algorithm

### **Description**

You can configure TransferDelay to on or off. If TransferDelay is on, small segments of outstanding data are collected and sent in a single packet when acknowledgment (ACK) arrives from the server. If TransferDelay is off, data is sent immediately to the network.

If a network is slow, you can improve its performance by configuring TransferDelay to on. However, on a fast network acknowledgments arrive quickly and there is negligible difference between configuring TransferDelay to on or off.

Note that the segment transfer algorithm used by TransferDelay is Nagle's algorithm.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage **TCPIP** Read only Never

Data type Character vector

#### **Values**

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{on} Use the TCP segment transfer algorithm.

off Do not use the TCP segment transfer algorithm.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

tcpip

## **TransferStatus**

Status of whether asynchronous read or write operation is in progress

### **Description**

TransferStatus can be idle, read, write, or read&write. If TransferStatus is idle, then no asynchronous read or write operations are in progress. If TransferStatus is read, then an asynchronous read operation is in progress. If TransferStatus is write, then an asynchronous write operation is in progress. If TransferStatus is read&write, then both an asynchronous read and an asynchronous write operation are in progress.

You can write data asynchronously using the fprintf or fwrite functions. You can read data asynchronously using the readasync function, or by configuring ReadAsyncMode to continuous (serial, TCPIP, UDP, and VISA-serial objects only). For detailed information about asynchronous read and write operations, refer to "Communicating with Your Instrument" on page 2-8.

While readasync is executing for any instrument object, TransferStatus might indicate that data is being read even though data is not filling the input buffer. However, if ReadAsyncMode is continuous, TransferStatus indicates that data is being read only when data is actually filling the input buffer.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Always

Data type Character vector

#### **Values**

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{idle} No asynchronous operations are in progress.read An asynchronous read operation is in progress.write An asynchronous write operation is in progress.

read&write Asynchronous read and write operations are in progress.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

fprintf, fwrite, readasync

#### **Properties**

ReadAsyncMode

## **TriggerFcn**

Specify callback function to execute when trigger event occurs

### **Description**

You configure TriggerFcn to execute a callback function when a trigger event occurs. A trigger event is generated when a trigger occurs in software, or on one of the VXI hardware trigger lines. You configure the trigger type with the TriggerType property.

**Note** A trigger event can be generated at any time during the instrument control session.

If the RecordStatus property value is on, and a trigger event occurs, the record file records

- The event type as Trigger
- The time the event occurred using the format day-month-year hour:minute:second:millisecond

#### **Characteristics**

Usage VISA-VXI Read only Never

Data type Character vector

#### **Values**

The default value is an empty character vector.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

record

#### **Properties**

RecordStatus, TriggerLine, TriggerType

## **TriggerLine**

Specify trigger line on VXI instrument

### **Description**

You can configure TriggerLine to be TTL0 through TTL7, ECL0, or ECL1. You can use only one trigger line at a time.

You can specify the trigger type with the TriggerType property. When TriggerType is hardware, the line triggered is given by the TriggerLine value. When the TriggerType is software, the TriggerLine value is ignored.

You execute a trigger for a VISA-VXI object with the trigger function.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage VISA-VXI Read only Never

Data type Character vector

#### **Values**

TriggerLine can be TTL0 through TTL7, ECL0, or ECL1. The default value is TTL0.

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

trigger

#### **Properties**

TriggerType

## **TriggerType**

Specify trigger type

### **Description**

You can configure TriggerType to be software or hardware. If TriggerType is software, then a software trigger is used. If TriggerType is hardware, then the trigger line specified by the TriggerLine property is used.

You execute a trigger for a VISA-VXI object with the trigger function.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage VISA-VXI Read only Never

Data type Character vector

#### **Values**

Default value is enclosed in braces ({}).

{hardware} A hardware trigger is used. A software trigger is used. software

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

trigger

#### **Properties**

TriggerLine

## **Type**

Instrument object type

### **Description**

Type indicates the type of the object. Type is automatically defined after the instrument object is created with the serial, gpib, or visa function.

Using the instrfind function and the Type value, you can quickly identify instrument objects of a given type.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Always

Data type Character vector

#### **Values**

gpib The object type is GPIB. serial The object type is serial port. tcpip The object type is TCPIP. udp The object type is UDP. visa-gpib The object type is VISA-GPIB. visa-vxi The object type is VISA-VXI. visa-qpib-vxi The object type is VISA-GPIB-VXI. The object type is VISA-serial. visa-serial

The value is automatically determined when the instrument object is created.

### **Examples**

Create a serial port object on a Windows machine associated with the serial port COM1. The value of the Type property is serial, which is the object class.

```
s = serial('COM1');
s.Type
ans =
serial
```

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

instrfind, gpib, serial, tcpip, udp, visa

### **UserData**

Specify data to associate with instrument object

### **Description**

You configure UserData to store data that you want to associate with an instrument object. The object does not use this data directly, but you can access it using dot notation.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Never Data type Any type

#### **Values**

The default value is an empty vector.

### **Examples**

Create the serial port object on a Windows machine associated with the serial port COM1.

```
s = serial('COM1');
```

You can associate data with s by storing it in UserData.

```
coeff.a = 1.0;
coeff.b = -1.25;
s.UserData = coeff
```

## **ValuesReceived**

Total number of values read from instrument

### **Description**

ValuesReceived indicates the total number of values read from the instrument. The value is updated after each successful read operation, and is set to 0 after the fopen function is issued. If the terminator is read from the instrument, then this value is reflected by ValuesReceived.

If you are reading data asynchronously, use the BytesAvailable property to return the number of bytes currently available in the input buffer.

When performing a read operation, the received data is represented by values rather than bytes. A value consists of one or more bytes. For example, one uint32 value consists of four bytes.

#### Characteristics

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Always
Data type Double

#### **Values**

The default value is 0.

### **Examples**

Suppose you create a serial port object on a Windows machine associated with the serial port COM1.

```
s = serial('COM1');
fopen(s)
```

If you write the RS232? command, and then read back the response using fscanf, ValuesReceived is 17 because the instrument is configured to send the LF terminator.

```
fprintf(s,'RS232?')
out = fscanf(s)
out =
9600;0;0;NONE;LF
s.ValuesReceived
ans =
17
```

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

fopen

### **Properties**

BytesAvailable

## **ValuesSent**

Total number of values written to instrument

### **Description**

ValuesSent indicates the total number of values written to the instrument. The value is updated after each successful write operation, and is set to 0 after the fopen function is issued. If you are writing the terminator, then ValuesSent reflects this value.

If you are writing data asynchronously, use the <code>BytesToOutput</code> property to return the number of bytes currently in the output buffer.

When performing a write operation, the transmitted data is represented by values rather than bytes. A value consists of one or more bytes. For example, one uint32 value consists of four bytes.

#### **Characteristics**

Usage Any instrument object

Read only Always
Data type Double

#### **Values**

The default value is 0.

### **Examples**

Create a serial port object on a Windows machine associated with the serial port COM1.

```
s = serial('COM1');
fopen(s)
```

If you write the \*IDN? command using the fprintf function, then ValuesSent is 6 because the default data format is %s\n, and the terminator was written.

```
fprintf(s,'*IDN?')
s.ValuesSent
ans =
   6
```

#### See Also

#### **Functions**

fopen

### **Properties**

BytesToOutput

## **Vendor**

IVI configuration server vendor

## **Description**

Vendor identifies the vendor of the IVI configuration server. This is not user-configurable.

### **Characteristics**

Usage IVI configuration store object

Read only Always

Data type Character vector

## visadev Properties

Access VISA resource properties

## **Description**

Configure your VISA resource and its communication settings using its properties. After you create a visadev object, you can use dot notation to read and set properties.

### **Properties**

**Object Creation Properties** 

#### ResourceName — VISA resource name

string scalar

VISA resource name, returned as a string scalar. Identify the resource name of the device you want to connect to using the information returned by visadevlist. This property can be set only at object creation.

Each type of VISA interface has a different format, described in the following table. The VISA resource name format and its parameters are defined by the VISA standard specifications. Replace the *italicized* text with values for the specified parameters. The parameters in brackets are optional.

Resource Name
TCPIP[board]::remote_host[::lan_device_name]::INSTR
TCPIP[board]::remote_host::port::SOCKET
<pre>USB[board]::vendor_ID::product_ID::serial_number[::interface_numbe r]::INSTR</pre>
<pre>GPIB[board]::primary_address[::secondary_address]::INSTR</pre>
ASRL[port_number]::INSTR
VXI[chassis]::VXI_logical_address::INSTR
PXI[bus]::device[::function][::INSTR]  PXI[bus]::CHASSISchassis::SLOTslot[::FUNCfunction][::INSTR]

The resource name parameters are described as follows. Each parameter corresponds to one of the visadev properties.

Interface	Parameter	Description		
All	board	Board index (default value of 0)		
, , ,	remote_host	Remote host name or IP address of the instrument		
VXI-11 or HiSLIP) and TCP/IP Socket	lan_device_na me	Local Area Network (LAN) device name (default value of inst0)		

Interface	Parameter	Description		
	port	Remote host port for TCP/IP socket		
USB	vendor_ID	Manufacturer ID of the USB instrument		
	product_ID	Model code for the USB instrument		
	serial_number	Index of the instrument on the USB hub		
	interface_num ber	USB interface		
GPIB	primary_addre ss	Primary address of the GPIB instrument		
	secondary_add ress	Secondary address of the GPIB instrument (default value of 0)		
Serial	port_number	Serial port number (default value of 1)		
VXI and PXI	chassis	VXI or PXI chassis index (default value of 0 for VXI)		
	VXI_logical_a ddress	Logical address of the VXI instrument		
	bus	PCI bus number		
	device	PCI device number		
	function	PCI function number (default value of 0)		
	slot	Slot number		

Example: gpibdev = visadev("GPIB0::5::INSTR") connects to the GPIB device specified by the VISA resource name GPIB0::5::INSTR.

Data Types: char | string

#### Alias — VISA alias associated with resource

string scalar

VISA alias associated with resource, returned as a string scalar. Identify the alias of the device you want to connect to using the information returned by visadevlist. The alias is defined in your VISA vendor's configuration utility software. This property can be set only at object creation.

Example: serialdev = visadev("COM4") connects to the serial device specified by the VISA resource alias COM4.

Data Types: char | string

#### Type — Type of VISA resource

gpib | pxi | serial | socket | tcpip | usb | vxi

This property is read-only.

Type of VISA resource, returned as one of the supported VISA interfaces. Some properties and object functions are specific to an interface type.

Example: v. Type returns the type of VISA resource.

#### Vendor — Instrument manufacturer

string scalar

This property is read-only.

Instrument manufacturer, returned as a character vector or string scalar. This property is empty if the VISA interface type does not provide information about the manufacturer.

Example: v. Vendor returns the name of the instrument manufacturer.

Data Types: string

#### Model — Instrument model

string scalar

This property is read-only.

Instrument model, returned as a character vector or string scalar. This property is empty if the VISA interface type does not provide information about the model.

Example: v.Model returns the name of the instrument model.

Data Types: string

#### SerialNumber — Unique serial number associated with instrument

string scalar

This property is read-only.

Unique serial number associated with instrument, returned as a character vector or string scalar. This property is empty if the VISA interface type does not provide information about the serial number.

Example: v.SerialNumber returns the instrument serial number.

Data Types: string

#### **Read and Write Properties**

#### ByteOrder — Sequential order of bytes

```
"little-endian" (default) | "big-endian"
```

Sequential order in which bytes are arranged into larger numerical values, returned as "little-endian" or "big-endian".

Example: v.ByteOrder = "big-endian" sets the byte order to big-endian.

Data Types: char | string

#### Timeout — Allowed time to complete operations

10 (default) | numeric

Allowed time in seconds to complete read and write operations, returned as a numeric value.

Example: v.Timeout = 20 sets the timeout period to 20 seconds.

Data Types: double

#### Terminator — Terminator character for data

```
"LF" (default) | "CR" | "CR/LF" | 0 to 255
```

Terminator character for reading and writing ASCII-terminated data, returned as "LF", "CR", "CR/LF", or a number from 0 to 255, inclusive. If the read and write terminators are different,

Terminator is returned as a 1x2 cell array of these values. Set this property with the configureTerminator function.

Example: configureTerminator(v, "CR") sets both the read and write terminators to "CR".

Example: configureTerminator(v, "CR", 10) sets the read terminator to "CR" and the write

terminator to 10.

Data Types: double | char | string

#### NumBytesWritten — Total number of bytes written

0 (default) | numeric

This property is read-only.

Total number of bytes written, returned as a numeric value.

Example: v.NumBytesWritten returns the number of bytes written.

Data Types: double

#### **Callback Properties**

#### ErrorOccurredFcn — Callback function triggered by error event

function handle

Callback function triggered by an error event, returned as a function handle. An error event is generated when the connection to your VISA resource is interrupted or when an asynchronous read error occurs. This property is empty until you assign a function handle.

Example: v.ErrorOccurredFcn = @myErrorFcn

Data Types: function handle

#### UserData — General purpose property for user data

any type

General purpose property for user data, returned as any MATLAB data type. For example, you can use this property to store data when an event is triggered from a callback function.

Example: v. UserData

#### VISA-TCP/IP

#### LANName — LAN device name

string scalar

This property is read-only.

LAN device name, returned as a string.

Example: v.LANName returns the LAN device name.

Data Types: string

#### InstrumentAddress — TCP/IP address of instrument

string scalar

This property is read-only.

TCP/IP address of instrument in dot-decimal notation, returned as a string.

Example: v.InstrumentAddress returns the IP address of the instrument.

Data Types: string

#### BoardIndex — Index number of network board associated with instrument

numeric

This property is read-only.

Index number of network board associated with instrument, returned as a positive integer value.

Example: v.BoardIndex returns the network board index number.

Data Types: double

#### VISA-Socket

#### IPAddress — TCP/IP address of socket

string scalar

This property is read-only.

TCP/IP address of socket in dot-decimal notation, returned as a string.

Example: v. IPAddress returns the IP address of the socket.

Data Types: string

#### Port — Port number for given TCP/IP address

string scalar

This property is read-only.

Port number for given TCP/IP address, returned as a string.

Example: v.Port returns the port number associated with the TCP/IP address.

Data Types: string

#### **VISA-USB Properties**

#### VendorID — Manufacturer ID number of device

string scalar

This property is read-only.

Manufacturer ID number of device (VID), returned as a string.

Example: v. VendorID returns the vendor ID.

Data Types: string

#### ProductID — Model code of device

string scalar

This property is read-only.

Model code of device (PID), returned as a string.

Example: v.ProductID returns the product ID.

Data Types: string

#### **BoardIndex** — **USB** board number

numeric

This property is read-only.

USB board number, returned as a positive integer value.

Example: v.BoardIndex returns the USB board number.

Data Types: double

#### InterfaceIndex — USB interface number

numeric

This property is read-only.

USB interface number, returned as a positive integer value.

Example: v.InterfaceIndex returns the USB interface number.

Data Types: double

#### **VISA-GPIB Properties**

#### BoardIndex — GPIB board index

numeric

This property is read-only.

GPIB board index, returned as a positive integer value.

Example: v.BoardIndex returns the GPIB board index.

Data Types: double

#### PrimaryAddress — GPIB primary address

numeric

This property is read-only.

GPIB primary address associated with instrument, returned as an integer from 0 to 30, inclusive.

Example: v.PrimaryAddress returns the GPIB primary address.

Data Types: double

#### SecondaryAddress — GPIB secondary address

numeric

This property is read-only.

GPIB secondary address associated with instrument, returned as an integer from 0 to 30, inclusive.

Example: v.SecondaryAddress returns the GPIB secondary address.

Data Types: double

#### **E0IMode** — **E0I Mode**

"on" (default) | "off"

EOI mode, returned as on or off. This property specifies whether the EOI (end or identify) line is asserted at the end of a write operation.

Example: v.EOIMode = "off" does not assert an EOI line at the end of a write.

Data Types: char | string

#### **VISA-Serial**

#### Port — Serial communication port

string scalar

This property is read-only.

Serial communication port, returned as a string.

Example: v.Port returns the serial communication port.

Data Types: string

#### BaudRate — Communication speed

9600 (default) | double

Speed of serial communication in bits per second, returned as a positive integer.

Example: v.BaudRate = 14400 sets the baud rate to 14400.

Data Types: double

#### DataBits — Number of bits to represent one character of data

8 (default) | 7 | 6 | 5

Number of bits to represent one character of data, returned as 8, 7, 6, or 5.

Example: v.DataBits = 5 sets the number of data bits to 5 bits.

Data Types: double

#### StopBits — Pattern of bits that indicates the end of a character

1 (default) | 1.5 | 2

Pattern of bits that indicates the end of a character or of the whole transmission, returned as 1, 1.5, or 2. This property depends on the value of the DataBits property as follows.

Value of DataBits	Supported Values of StopBits		
8, 7, or 6	1 and 2		
5	1 and 1.5		

Example: v.StopBits = 2 sets the number of stop bits to 2.

Data Types: double

#### Parity — Parity bit type

"none" (default) | "even" | "odd"

Parity bit type added to data transmitted by serial port, returned as "none", "even", or "odd". You can use this property to add a parity bit (also referred to as a check bit) to your data. Adding a parity bit to a string of binary code is a method of detecting errors in data transmission by ensuring that the total number of 1-bits is even or odd.

The value of the parity bit is determined by the number of 1s in a given set of bits and is set as follows.

Parity Bit Type	Parit	Parity Bit Value			
	If number of 1s is even	If number of 1s is odd			
none	No parity bit set	No parity bit set			
even	0	1			
odd	1	0			

Example: v.Parity = "even" sets the parity bit type to even.

Data Types: char | string

#### FlowControl — Mode for managing data transmission rate

"none" (default) | "hardware" | "software"

Mode for managing data transmission rate, returned as "none", "hardware", or "software". Specify "none" to have no flow control, "hardware" to let your hardware determine the flow control, and "software" to let your software determine the flow control.

Example: v.FlowControl = "hardware" sets the flow control to hardware.

Data Types: char | string

#### **VISA-VXI and VISA-PXI Properties**

#### **Bus — PCI bus number**

numeric

This property is read-only.

PCI bus number for device, returned as a positive number. This property is only for VISA-PXI interface objects.

Example: v.Bus returns the device's PCI bus number.

Data Types: double

#### DeviceIndex — PXI device number

numeric

This property is read-only.

PXI device number, returned as a positive number. This property is only for VISA-PXI interface objects.

Example: v.DeviceIndex returns the PXI device number.

Data Types: double

#### FunctionIndex — PXI function number

numeric

This property is read-only.

PXI function number, returned as a positive number. This property is only for VISA-PXI interface objects.

Example: v.FunctionIndex returns the PXI function number.

Data Types: double

#### ChassisIndex — PXI or VXI chassis index number

numeric

This property is read-only.

PXI or VXI chassis index number, returned as a positive number.

Example: v.ChassisIndex returns the PXI or VXI chassis index number.

Data Types: double

#### Logical Address — VXI instrument logical address

numeric

This property is read-only.

VXI instrument logical address, returned as a positive number. This property is only for VISA-VXI interface objects.

Example: v.LogicalAddress returns the VXI instrument logical address.

Data Types: double

#### Slot — PXI or VXI instrument slot location

numeric

This property is read-only.

PXI or VXI instrument slot location, returned as a positive number.

Example: v.Slot returns the PXI or VXI instrument slot location.

Data Types: double

#### **E0IMode** — **E0I Mode**

"on" (default) | "off"

EOI mode, returned as on or off. This property specifies whether the EOI (end or identify) line is asserted at the end of a write operation.

Example: v.EOIMode = "off" does not assert an EOI line at the end of a write.

Data Types: char | string

### **Compatibility Considerations**

#### visadev interface no longer supports callback functions

Behavior changed in R2022a

Callback functions are no longer supported for the visadev interface. The configureCallback function and the NumBytesAvailable, BytesAvailableFcnMode, BytesAvailableFcnCount, and BytesAvailableFcn properties and are no longer supported for visadev objects.

### **See Also**

visadevlist|visadev|configureTerminator

#### **External Websites**

**IVI Specifications** 

Introduced in R2021a

# **Blocks**

## **Query Instrument**

Query or read instrument data



### Library

**Instrument Control Toolbox** 

### **Description**

The Query Instrument block configures and opens an interface to an instrument, initializes the instrument, and queries the instrument for data. The configuration and initialization happen at the start of the model execution. The block queries the instrument for data during model run time.

The block has no input ports. The block has one output port corresponding to the data received from the instrument.

#### **Other Supported Features**

- This block supports the use of Simulink Accelerator  $^{\scriptscriptstyle\mathsf{TM}}$  mode, but not Rapid Accelerator or code generation.
- The block supports the use of model referencing, so that your model can include other Simulink models as modular components.

For more information on these features, see the "Simulink" documentation.

#### **Parameters**

#### Block sample time

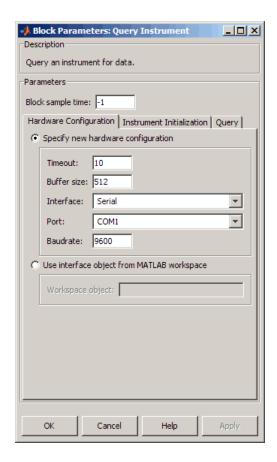
The Block sample time parameter is the only setting outside of the dialog box tabs. The default value is 1. Setting the value to -1 sets the block to inherit timing. A positive value is used as the sample period.

#### **Hardware Configuration Tab**

The **Hardware Configuration** tab is where you define the settings for communications with your instrument. You have two choices about establishing an interface:

- Specify a new hardware configuration.
- Use an interface object from the MATLAB workspace.

The following figure shows the **Hardware Configuration** tab set to specify a new hardware configuration using a serial port interface.



Because some parameters apply to multiple interface types, they appear here in alphabetical order.

# **Baudrate**

The rate at which bits are transmitted for the serial or VISA serial interface.

#### **Board index**

The index of the board used for GPIB, VISA GPIB, VISA TCPIP, or VISA USB interface to the instrument. See BoardIndex property for more information.

#### **Board vendor**

The vendor of the GPIB board used for the interface to the instrument. Your choices are Keysight (formerly Agilent), ICS Electronics, Measurement Computing (MCC), and National Instruments.

#### Chassis index

The index number of the VXI chassis. Used for VISA VXI and VISA VXI-GPIB interface types.

#### **Buffer size**

The total number of bytes that can be stored in the software input buffer during a read operation.

# Interface

Select the type of hardware interface to the instrument. Your options are those interfaces supported by the Instrument Control Toolbox software. The previous figure shows a configuration for a serial port interface.

#### Logical address

The logical address of the VXI instrument. Used for VISA VXI and VISA VXI-GPIB interface types.

#### Manufacturer ID

The manufacturer ID of the VISA USB instrument. See ManufacturerID property for more information.

#### Model code

The model code of the VISA USB instrument. See ModelCode property for more information.

#### **Port**

The port for the serial interface: COM1, COM2, etc.

# Primary address

The primary address of the instrument on the GPIB.

#### Remote host

The host name or IP address of the instrument. Used for UDP, TCPIP, or VISA TCPIP interface types.

# Remote port

The port on the instrument or remote host used for communication. Used for UDP, TCPIP, or VISA TCPIP interface types.

# **Secondary address**

The secondary address of the instrument on the GPIB.

#### Serial number

The serial number of the VISA USB instrument defined as a character vector. See SerialNumber property for more information.

#### Timeout

Time in seconds allowed to complete the guery operation.

#### VISA vendor

The vendor of the VISA used for any of the VISA interface types. Your choices are Keysight (formerly Agilent), National Instruments, and Tektronix.

# Use interface object from MATLAB workspace

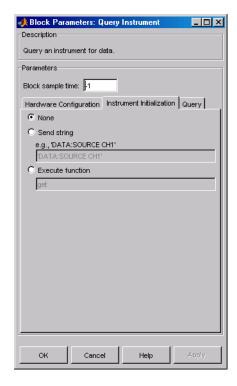
Select this option to use an interface object from the MATLAB workspace.

# Workspace object

Enter the object name that you want to use from the MATLAB workspace.

#### **Instrument Initialization Tab**

The **Instrument Initialization** tab is where you define what happens when you first open your connection to the instrument.



# None

The default initialization option is none.

# **Send string**

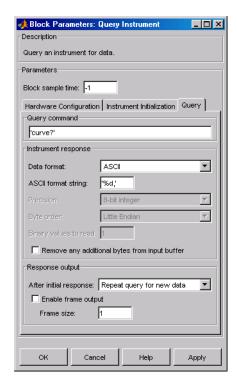
A string sent to the instrument as an instrument command to initialize the instrument or set it up in a known state.

# **Execute function**

Any function that has as its only argument the interface object representing the instrument. You can write this function to include several instrument commands and initialization data.

# **Query Tab**

The **Query** tab is where you define the optional query command, set the format for the response, and define what the block does after the initial instrument response.



# **Query command**

This is the query command that is sent to the instrument. It is usually a request for instrument status or data. This command is optional — if you are retrieving information or data from the instrument and no query command is necessary to do that, you can leave this field blank.

#### **Data format**

Your options are ASCII, Binary, or Binblock (binary block — the binblock format is described in the binblockwrite function reference page).

#### ASCII format string

Available only when the format is ASCII, this defines the format string for the data. For a list of formats, see the fscanf function.

# **Precision**

Used for binary or binblock format. Your options are:

- 8-bit integer (default)
- 16-bit integer
- 32-bit integer
- 8-bit unsigned integer
- 16-bit unsigned integer
- 32-bit unsigned integer
- 32-bit float
- 64-bit float

# Byte order

When using binary or binblock format with more than 8 bits, you can specify the instrument's byte order for the data. Your options are Big Endian or Little Endian.

# Binary values to read

Used for binary format. Specify the number of binary values to read from the instrument.

# Remove additional bytes from input buffer

Select this option if you want to remove any additional bytes from the input buffer before querying.

# After initial response

This defines the action to take after the first response from the instrument. Your options are Repeat query for new data, Recycle original data, Hold final value, Output zero, or Stop simulation.

# **Enable frame output**

A frame is a sequence of samples combined into a single vector. In frame-based processing all the samples in a frame are processed simultaneously. In sample-based processing, samples are processed one at a time. The advantage of frame-based processing is that it can greatly increase the speed of a simulation. For example, you might use frames if you are reading a waveform from your instrument rather than a single-point measurement.

#### Frame size

Frame size determines the number of samples in a frame.

**Note** Hardware information shown in the dialog box is determined and cached when you first open the dialog box. To refresh the display with new values, restart MATLAB.

# See Also

Serial Configuration | Serial Receive | Serial Send | TCP/IP Receive | TCP/IP Send | UDP Receive | UDP Send

#### Introduced before R2006a

# **Serial Configuration**

Configure parameters for serial port

**Library:** Instrument Control Toolbox

Motor Control Blockset / Protection and Diagnostics

COM1 Baud rate : 9600

# Description

The Serial Configuration block configures parameters for a serial port that you can use to send and receive data. Use this block to set the parameters of your serial port before you set up the Serial Receive and the Serial Send blocks.

**Note** You must configure your serial port parameters using the Serial Configuration block before you specify the Serial Receive and Serial Send block parameters.

# **Other Supported Features**

- The Serial Configuration block supports the use of Simulink Accelerator mode, but not Rapid Accelerator. This feature speeds up the execution of Simulink models.
- The Serial Configuration block supports the use of model referencing. This feature lets your model include other Simulink models as modular components.
- The Serial Configuration block supports C/C++ code generation. This feature allows you to generate C and C++ code using Simulink Coder™.

For more information on these features, see the "Simulink" documentation.

# **Parameters**

#### Port — Serial communication port

available communication ports

Serial port on your machine that you want to configure. Use this configured port to send and receive data with your Serial Send and Serial Receive blocks. If you have not configured a port, the block returns an error when you run your model.

**Note** Each Serial Send and Serial Receive block must have a configured Serial Configuration block. If you use multiple serial ports in your simulation, you must configure each port using a separate Serial Configuration block.

Programmatic Use
Block Parameter: Port
Type: character vector, string

# Baud rate — Communication speed

9600 (default) | positive integer

Rate at which bits are transmitted for the serial interface, in bits per second.

#### **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** BaudRate **Type:** character vector, string **Values:** positive integer

**Default:** '9600'

# Data bits — Number of bits to represent one character of data

8 (default) | 5 | 6 | 7

Number of data bits to transmit over the serial interface.

### **Programmatic Use**

Block Parameter: DataBits Type: character vector, string Values: '5' | '6' | '7' | '8'

Default: '8'

# Parity — Parity bit type

none (default) | even | odd

Parity bit type added to data transmitted by serial port. You can use this parameter to add a parity bit (also referred to as a check bit) to your data. Adding a parity bit to a string of binary code is a method of detecting errors in data transmission by ensuring that the total number of 1-bits is even or odd.

The value of the parity bit is determined by the number of 1s in a given set of bits and is set as follows.

Parity Bit Type	Parity Bit Value		
	If number of 1s is even	If number of 1s is odd	
none	No parity bit set	No parity bit set	
even	0	1	
odd	1	0	

**Note** Starting in R2021a, the **Parity** parameter no longer supports mark or space. For more information, see "Compatibility Considerations" on page 25-10.

# **Programmatic Use**

Block Parameter: Parity
Type: character vector, string
Values: 'none' | 'even' | 'odd'

Default: 'none'

### Stop bits — Pattern of bits that indicates the end of a character

1 (default) | positive scalar

Number of bits used to indicate the end of a byte. This parameter depends on the value you select for the **Data bits** parameter. If you select data bits 6, 7, or 8, the default value is 1 and the other

available choice is 2. If you select data bit 5, the default value is 1 and the other available choice is 1.5.

### **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** StopBits **Type:** character vector, string Values: positive scalar

Default: '1'

# Byte order — Sequential order of bytes

little-endian (default) | big-endian

Sequential order in which bytes are arranged into larger numerical values. If the byte order is little-endian, then the instrument stores the first byte in the first memory address. If the byte order is big-endian, then the instrument stores the last byte in the first memory address.

Configure the byte order to the appropriate value for your instrument before performing a read or write operation. Refer to your instrument documentation for information about the order in which it stores bytes.

#### **Programmatic Use**

Block Parameter: ByteOrder **Type:** character vector, string

Values: 'little-endian' | 'big-endian'

**Default:** 'little-endian

# Flow control — Mode for managing data transmission rate

none (default) | hardware

Process of managing the rate of data transmission on your serial port. Select none to have no flow control or hardware to let your hardware determine the flow control.

#### **Programmatic Use**

Block Parameter: FlowControl **Type:** character vector, string Values: 'none' | 'hardware'

Default: none

#### Timeout — Allowed time to complete operations

10 (default) | positive scalar

Amount of time that the model waits for data during each simulation time step.

### Programmatic Use

**Block Parameter:** Timeout **Type:** character vector, string Values: positive scalar

Default: '10'

# **Compatibility Considerations**

# Parity parameter no longer supports mark or space in Serial Configuration block

Errors starting in R2021a

The mark and space options for the **Parity** parameter are no longer supported in the Serial Configuration block. Valid values for **Parity** are none (default), even, and odd.

If you try to open an existing model that has the **Parity** value set to mark or space, MATLAB returns a warning and changes the parameter to the default value none.

# **Extended Capabilities**

# **C/C++ Code Generation**

Generate C and C++ code using Simulink® Coder™.

This block generates platform-specific code for the host machine's platform only (Windows, macOS, Linux).

# See Also

Serial Receive | Serial Send

Introduced in R2008a

# **Serial Receive**

Receive binary data over serial port

**Library:** Instrument Control Toolbox

Motor Control Blockset / Protection and Diagnostics



# **Description**

The Serial Receive block configures and opens an interface to the specified serial port. The configuration and initialization occur once at the start of the model's execution. The block acquires data from the serial port during the model's run time. You can use only one Serial Receive block at a time to receive data from a specific serial port.

**Note** You must configure your serial port parameters using the Serial Configuration block before you specify the Serial Receive block parameters.

This block has no input ports. It has one or two output ports based on whether you select blocking or non-blocking mode. If you select blocking mode, the block has one output port, **Data**, corresponding to the data it receives. If you do not select blocking mode, the block has two output ports, **Data** and **Status**.

This block uses a First In, First Out (FIFO) buffer to receive data from the serial port. At each time step, the **Data** port returns the requested values from the buffer. In non-blocking mode, the **Status** port indicates if the block has received new data. If the **Status** port displays 1, new data is available and if the **Status** port displays 0, no new data is available.

# **Other Supported Features**

- The Serial Receive block supports the use of Simulink Accelerator mode, but not Rapid Accelerator. This feature speeds up the execution of Simulink models.
- The Serial Receive block supports the use of model referencing. This feature lets your model include other Simulink models as modular components.
- The Serial Receive block supports C/C++ code generation. This feature allows you to generate C
  and C++ code using Simulink Coder.

For more information on these features, see the "Simulink" documentation.

# **Ports**

# **Output**

# Data — Data received

vector | matrix | array

Data received by the block from the serial port, returned as a vector, matrix, or array.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32

#### Status — New data available

false or 0 (default) | true or 1

New data available status, returned as numeric or logical 1 (true) or 0 (false). If this port returns 1, new data is available to be read.

# **Dependencies**

To enable this port, unselect the **Enable blocking mode** parameter.

Data Types: Boolean

# **Parameters**

### Port — Serial communication port

available communication ports

Serial port on your machine that you want to receive data from. Select a port from the available ports and then configure the port using the Serial Configuration block. If you have not configured a port, the block returns an error when you run your model.

**Note** Each Serial Receive block must have a configured Serial Configuration block. If you use multiple serial ports in your simulation, you must configure each port using a separate Serial Configuration block.

#### **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** Port **Type:** character vector, string

#### Data type — Output data type

uint8 (default) | single | double | int8 | int16 | uint16 | int32 | uint32

Data type that the block receives from the serial port, specified as a MATLAB numeric data type.

#### **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** DataType **Type:** character vector, string

Values: 'uint8'|'single'|'double'|'int8'|'int16'|'uint16'|'int32'|'uint32'

Default: 'uint8'

# Header — Header

numeric array | integer from 0 to 255, inclusive

If this parameter is selected, you can specify the header that indicates the beginning of your data block. The simulation disregards data that occurs before the header. The header data is not sent to the output port. By default, this parameter is not selected and no header is specified.

The numeric array specified in this parameter is the uint8 integer representation of the corresponding ASCII characters. The exact form of this parameter depends on the type of the ASCII character.

Type of ASCII Character	Example ASCII Character	MATLAB Command	Parameter Value
Special character	"#"	uint8('#')	[35]
Numeric	"81"	uint8('81')	[56 49]
Alphabet	"Start"	uint8('Start')	[83 116 97 114 116]

You can also specify this parameter using the hexadecimal representation of the ASCII characters.

#### **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** ToggleHeader **Type:** character vector, string

Values: 'on' | 'off' Default: 'off'

**Block Parameter:** Header **Type:** character vector, string

Values: integer array

#### Terminator — Terminator

<none> (default) | CR ('\r') | LF ('\n') | CR/LF ('\r\n') | NULL ('\0') | Custom Terminator

If this parameter is selected, you can specify the terminator that indicates the end of your data block. The simulation considers any data that occurs after the terminator as a new data block. The terminator data is not sent to the output port. This terminator must match the terminator in the data you are reading from your serial port, if it has one.

If you select Custom Terminator, you can specify your own terminator value.

# **Programmatic Use**

Block Parameter: ToggleTerminator

Type: character vector, string

Values: 'on' | 'off' Default: 'off

**Block Parameter:** Terminator **Type:** character vector, string

Values: '<none>'|'CR ('\r')'|'LF ('\n')'|'CR/LF ('\r\n')'|'NULL ('\0')'|

'Custom Terminator' Default: '<none>'

# Custom terminator — Custom terminator

numeric array | integer from 0 to 255, inclusive

Custom terminator that indicates the end of your data block. The simulation considers any data that occurs after the terminator as a new data block. The terminator data is not sent to the output port.

The numeric array specified in this parameter is the uint8 integer representation of the corresponding ASCII characters. The exact form of this parameter depends on the type of the ASCII character.

Type of ASCII Character	Example ASCII Character	MATLAB Command	Parameter Value
Special character	"#"	uint8('#')	[35]
Numeric	"81"	uint8('81')	[56 49]
Alphabet	"End"	uint8('End')	[69 110 100]

You can also specify this parameter using the hexadecimal representation of the ASCII characters.

### **Programmatic Use**

Block Parameter: CustomTerminator

Type: character vector, string

**Values:** integer array

# Input Format — Format of data read

Column major (default) | Row major

Format of the data that the block receives from the serial port, specified as Row major or Column major.

### **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** InputFormat **Type:** character vector, string

Values: 'Row major' | 'Column major'

**Default:** 'Column major'

# Data size — Number of values read

[1 1] (default) | numeric array

Output data size, or the number of values that should be read at each simulation time step. This parameter is specified as a multidimensional numeric array. The data size does not include the header or terminator values.

# **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** DataSize **Type:** character vector, string

Values: integer array Default: '[1 1]'

# Enable blocking mode — Simulation waits while receiving data

on (default) | off

This parameter has the simulation wait while the block receives data. When new data becomes available, the simulation continues from the next time step. Unselect the check box if you do not want the read operation to cause the simulation to wait.

If you enable blocking mode, the simulation waits for the requested data to become available. The model waits for up to the amount of time specified by the **Timeout** parameter in the Serial Configuration block. If new data does not become available during a simulation, you can return an error by selecting the Error option for the **Action when data is not available** parameter.

If you do not enable blocking mode, the simulation runs continuously and the block has two output ports, **Status** and **Data**. The **Data** port contains the requested set of data at each time step. The **Status** port contains 0 or 1 based on whether it received new data at the given time step.

# **Programmatic Use**

Block Parameter: EnableBlockingMode

**Type:** character vector, string

Values: 'on' | 'off'

Default: 'on'

# Action when data is not available — Action to take when data not available

Output last received value(default) | Output custom value | Error

Action the block should take when data is not available. Available options are:

- Output last received value Block returns the value it received at the preceding time step when it does not receive data at current time step.
- Output custom value Block returns any user-defined value when it does not receive current data. Define the custom value in the **Custom value** field.
- Error Block returns an error when it does not receive current data. You must select **Enable blocking mode** to use this option.

#### **Programmatic Use**

Block Parameter: ActionDataUnavailable

**Type:** character vector, string

Values: 'Output last received value'|'Output custom value'|'Error'

Default: 'Output last received value'

# Custom value — Custom output value when data unavailable

0 (default) | numeric

Custom value for the block to output when it does not receive new data. The custom value can be a scalar or value equal to the size of data that it receives (specified by Data size parameter). You must select Output custom value as the Action when data is unavailable to set this parameter.

#### **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** CustomValue **Type:** character vector, string

Values: numeric Default: '0'

#### Block sample time — Sampling time

0.01 (default) | positive numeric

Sampling time of the block during the simulation. This is the rate at which the block is executed during simulation.

# **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** SampleTime **Type:** character vector, string **Values:** positive numeric

Default: '0.01'

# **Extended Capabilities**

# **C/C++ Code Generation**

Generate C and C++ code using Simulink® Coder™.

This block generates platform-specific code for the host machine's platform only (Windows, macOS, Linux).

# See Also

Serial Configuration | Serial Send

Introduced in R2008a

# **Serial Send**

Send binary data over serial port

**Library:** Instrument Control Toolbox

Motor Control Blockset / Protection and Diagnostics



# **Description**

The Serial Send block configures and opens an interface to the specified serial port. The configuration and initialization occur once at the start of the model's execution. The block sends data from the model to the serial port during the model's run time. You can use multiple Serial Send blocks at a time to send data to a specific serial port.

**Note** You must configure your serial port parameters using the Serial Configuration block before you specify the Serial Send block parameters.

The Serial Send block has one input port that accepts both 1-D vector and matrix data. This block has no output ports. The block inherits the data type from the signal at the input port. Valid data types are single, double, int8, uint8, int16, uin16, int32, and uint32.

#### **Other Supported Features**

- The Serial Send block supports the use of Simulink Accelerator mode, but not Rapid Accelerator. This feature speeds up the execution of Simulink models.
- The Serial Send block supports the use of model referencing. This feature lets your model include other Simulink models as modular components.
- The Serial Send block supports C/C++ code generation. This feature allows you to generate C and C++ code using Simulink Coder.

For more information on these features, see the "Simulink" documentation.

#### **Ports**

# Input

#### Data — Data values to send

vector | matrix | array

Data values to send from the block over your serial port, specified as a vector, matrix, or array. Set the parameters for this block before you send data.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32

# **Parameters**

# Port — Serial communication port

available communication ports

Serial ports on your machine that you want to send data to. Select a port from the available ports and then configure the port using the Serial Configuration block. If you have not configured a port, the block returns an error when you run your model.

**Note** Each Serial Send block must have a configured Serial Configuration block. If you use multiple serial ports in your simulation, you must configure each port using a separate Serial Configuration block.

# Programmatic Use Block Parameter: Port Type: character vector, string

#### Header — Header

numeric array | integer from 0 to 255, inclusive

Header that indicates the beginning of your data block. The Serial Send block adds the header in front of the data before sending it over the serial port. By default, no header is specified.

The numeric array specified in this parameter is the uint8 integer representation of the corresponding ASCII characters. The exact form of this parameter depends on the type of the ASCII character.

Type of ASCII Character	Example ASCII Character	MATLAB Command	Parameter Value
Special character	"#"	uint8('#')	[35]
Numeric	"81"	uint8('81')	[56 49]
Alphabet	"Start"	uint8('Start')	[83 116 97 114 116]

You can also specify this parameter using the hexadecimal representation of the ASCII characters.

# **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** Header **Type:** character vector, string

Values: integer array

# Terminator — Terminator

<none>  $(default) | CR ('\r') | LF ('\n') | CR/LF ('\r\n') | NULL ('\0') | Custom Terminator$ 

Terminator that indicates the end of your data block. The Serial Send block appends the terminator to the data before sending it over the serial port.

If you select Custom Terminator, you can specify your own terminator value.

# **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** Terminator **Type:** character vector, string

Values: '<none>'|'CR ('\r')'|'LF ('\n')'|'CR/LF ('\r\n')'|'NULL ('\0')'|

'Custom Terminator' **Default:** '<none>'

# **Custom terminator — Custom terminator**

numeric array | integer from 0 to 255, inclusive

Custom terminator that indicates the end of your data block. The Serial Send block appends the terminator to the data before sending it over the serial port.

The numeric array specified in this parameter is the uint8 integer representation of the corresponding ASCII characters. The exact form of this parameter depends on the type of the ASCII character.

Type of ASCII Character	Example ASCII Character	MATLAB Command	Parameter Value
Special character	"#"	uint8('#')	[35]
Numeric	"81"	uint8('81')	[56 49]
Alphabet	"End"	uint8('End')	[69 110 100]

You can also specify this parameter using the hexadecimal representation of the ASCII characters.

#### **Programmatic Use**

Block Parameter: CustomTerminator

Type: character vector, string

Values: integer array

# Enable blocking mode — Simulation waits while sending data

on (default) | off

This parameter has the simulation wait while the block sends data. Unselect the check box if you do not want the write operation to cause the simulation to wait.

If you enable blocking mode, the simulation waits for the data to be sent. If you do not enable blocking mode, the simulation runs continuously.

#### **Programmatic Use**

Block Parameter: EnableBlockingMode

**Type:** character vector, string

Values: 'on' | 'off'

Default: 'on'

# **Extended Capabilities**

# C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using Simulink® Coder™.

This block generates platform-specific code for the host machine's platform only (Windows, macOS, Linux).

# See Also

Serial Configuration | Serial Receive

Introduced in R2008a

# **TCP/IP Receive**

Receive data over TCP/IP network from specified remote machine **Library:** Instrument Control Toolbox



# **Description**

The TCP/IP Receive block configures and opens an interface to the specified remote address using the TCP/IP protocol. The configuration and initialization occur once at the start of the model's execution. The block acquires data either in blocking mode or nonblocking mode during the model's run time. Use the TCP/IP Receive block to read streaming data over a TCP/IP network. This block works only as a TCP/IP client and cannot be used as a TCP/IP server.

This block has no input ports. It has one or two output ports based on whether you select blocking or nonblocking mode. If you select blocking mode, the block has one output port, **Data**, corresponding to the data it receives. If you do not select blocking mode, the block has two output ports, **Data** and **Status**.

This block uses a First In, First Out (FIFO) buffer to receive data. At each time step, the **Data** port returns the requested values from the buffer. In nonblocking mode, the **Status** port indicates if the block has received new data. If the **Status** port displays 1, new data is available and if the **Status** port displays 0, no new data is available.

### Other Supported Features

- The TCP/IP Receive block supports the use of Simulink Accelerator mode and Rapid Accelerator. This feature speeds up the execution of Simulink models.
- The TCP/IP Receive block supports the use of model referencing. This feature lets your model include other Simulink models as modular components.
- The TCP/IP Receive block supports C/C++ code generation. This feature allows you to generate C and C++ code using Simulink Coder.

For more information on these features, see the "Simulink" documentation.

#### **Ports**

# Output

# Data — Data received

vector | matrix | array

Data received by the block from the remote address, returned as a vector, matrix, or array.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

### Status — New data available

0 (default) | 1

New data available status, returned as a logical 1 (true) or 0 (false). If this port returns 1, new data is available to be read.

# **Dependencies**

To enable this port, unselect the **Enable blocking mode** parameter.

Data Types: Boolean

# **Parameters**

#### Remote address — Remote host name or address

remote host name or IP address

IP address or name of the TCP/IP server that you want to receive data from.

### **Programmatic Use**

Block Parameter: Host
Type: character vector, string

# Port — Remote host port

80 (default) | remote host port

Remote port on the TCP/IP server that you want to connect to, specified as a number from 1 to 65535.

# **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** Port **Type:** character vector, string

**Values:** 1 to 65,535 **Default:** '80'

# $\label{lem:lemote machine connection} \textbf{Verify address and port connectivity} - \textbf{Remote machine connection verification}$

button

Click this button to check if a connection to the specified remote address and port is valid.

#### Data size — Number of values read

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[1,1] (default) | numeric array
```

Output data size, or the number of values to be read at each simulation time step. This parameter is specified as a scalar or vector. The data does not include the terminator values.

### **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** DataSize **Type:** character vector, string

Values: vector
Default: '[ 1, 1 ]'

# Source Data type — Output data type

uint8 (default) | single | double | int8 | int16 | uint16 | int32 | uint32 | int64 | uint64 | ASCII

Data type that the block receives from the remote address, specified as a MATLAB data type.

This data type must match the data type of the data at the remote address. You cannot use this parameter to change the data type of the data at the remote address.

#### **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** DataType **Type:** character vector, string

Values: 'single'|'double'|'int8'|'uint8'|'int16'|'uint16'|'int32'|'uint32'|

'int64'|'uint64'|'ASCII'

Default: 'uint8'

# ASCII format string — Format of string data

%f (default) | numeric conversion specifiers

This parameter defines the format of the received string data. You can use the following conversion specifiers or a combination of them.

**Note** If you generate C/C++ code using Simulink Coder, you can only use a single conversion specifier.

Numeric Field Type	Conversion Specifier	Details	
Integer, signed	%d	Base 10	
	%i	The values in the data determine the base:	
		• The default is base 10.	
		• If the initial digits are 0x or 0X, then the values are hexadecimal (base 16).	
		• If the initial digit is 0, then values are octal (base 8).	
	%ld or %li	64-bit values, base 10, 8, or 16	
Integer, unsigned	%u	Base 10	
	%0	Base 8 (octal)	
	%X	Base 16 (hexadecimal)	
	%lu, %lo, %lx	64-bit values, base 10, 8, or 16	
Floating-point number	%f	Floating-point fields can contain any of the following	
	%e	(not case sensitive): Inf, -Inf, NaN, or -NaN.	
	%g		

# **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** ASCIIFormatting

**Type:** character vector, string

**Values:** '%d'|'%i'|'%ld'|'%li'|'%u'|%o'|'%x'|'%lu'|'%lo'|'%lx'|'%f'|'%e'|

'%a'

Default: '%f'

# **Dependencies**

To enable this parameter, set **Source Data type** to ASCII.

# **Terminator** — **Terminator**

LF (default) | CR | CR/LF | LF/CR | Custom terminator

If this parameter is selected, you can specify the terminator that indicates the end of your data block. The simulation considers any data that occurs before the terminator as a new data block. The terminator data is not sent to the output port. This terminator must match the terminator in the data you are reading from your remote machine.

If you select Custom Terminator, you can specify your own terminator value.

# **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** Terminator **Type:** character vector, string

Values: 'CR' | 'LF' | 'CR/LF' | 'LF/CR' | 'Custom terminator'

Default: 'LF'

# **Dependencies**

To enable this parameter, set **Source Data type** to ASCII.

# **Custom Terminator — Custom terminator**

numeric array | integer from 0 to 255

Custom terminator that indicates the end of your data block. The simulation considers any data that occurs before the terminator as a new data block. The terminator data is not sent to the output port.

The numeric array specified in this parameter is the uint8 integer representation of the corresponding ASCII characters. The exact form of this parameter depends on the type of the ASCII character.

Type of ASCII Character	Example ASCII Character	MATLAB Command	Parameter Value
Control character (escape sequence)	"LF" ("\n")	<pre>uint8(sprintf('\n' ))</pre>	[10]
Special character	"#"	uint8('#')	[35]
Numeric	"81"	uint8('81')	[56 49]
Alphabet	"End"	uint8('End')	[69 110 100]

You can also specify this parameter using the hexadecimal representation of the ASCII characters.

#### Programmatic Use

Block Parameter: CustomTerminator

**Type:** character vector, string

Values: integer array

Default: '10'

# **Dependencies**

To enable this parameter, set **Terminator** to **Custom terminator**.

# Byte order — Sequential order of bytes

big-endian (default) | little-endian

Sequential order in which bytes are arranged into larger numerical values. If the byte order is little-endian, then the first byte is organized in the first memory address in the received TCP/IP packet. If the byte order is big-endian, then the last byte is organized in the first memory address in the received TCP/IP packet.

Configure the byte order to match the appropriate value for your remote machine before receiving data. Refer to your instrument documentation for information about the order in which it stores bytes.

# Programmatic Use

Block Parameter: ByteOrder **Type:** character vector, string

Values: 'little-endian' | 'big-endian'

Default: 'big-endian'

# Enable blocking mode — Simulation waits while receiving data

on (default) | off

This parameter has the simulation wait while the block receives data. When new data becomes available, the simulation continues from the next time step. Unselect the check box if you do not want the read operation to cause the simulation to wait.

If you enable blocking mode, the simulation waits for the requested data to become available. At each time step, the model waits for up to the amount of time specified by the **Timeout** parameter. If data is not received within this time, the block outputs a value of 0.

If you do not enable blocking mode, the simulation runs continuously and the block has two output ports, **Status** and **Data**. The **Data** port contains the requested set of data at each time step. The **Status** port contains 0 or 1 based on whether it received new data at the given time step.

For more information, see "Enable Blocking Mode in Receive and Send Blocks" on page 22-25.

#### **Programmatic Use**

Block Parameter: EnableBlockingMode

**Type:** character vector, string

Values: 'on' | 'off'

Default: 'on'

# Timeout — Allowed time to complete operations

10 (default) | positive scalar

Amount of time in seconds that the model waits for data during each simulation time step. This value is relative to real-world or "wall clock" time.

#### **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** Timeout **Type:** character vector, string Values: positive scalar

Default: '10'

#### **Dependencies**

To enable this parameter, set **Enable blocking mode** to on.

# Block sample time — Sampling time

0.01 (default) | positive numeric

Sampling time of the block during the simulation. This is the rate at which the block is executed during simulation. For more information, see "Timing in Hardware Interface Models" on page 22-30. **Programmatic Use** 

Block Parameter: SampleTime Type: character vector, string Values: positive numeric

**Default:** '0.01'

# **Extended Capabilities**

# **C/C++ Code Generation**

Generate C and C++ code using Simulink® Coder™.

This block generates platform-specific code for the host machine's platform only (Windows, macOS, Linux). Set the **Device vendor** and **Device type** in **Model Settings** > **Hardware Implementation**. You must also select **Support long long** under **Device details**.

You can only use a single conversion specifier for the **ASCII format string** parameter.

# **See Also**

TCP/IP Send

Introduced in R2007b

# TCP/IP Send

Send data over TCP/IP network to specified remote machine Instrument Control Toolbox Library:



# **Description**

The TCP/IP Send block configures and opens an interface to the specified remote address using the TCP/IP protocol. The configuration and initialization occur once at the start of the model's execution. The block sends data either in blocking mode or nonblocking mode during the model's run time. Use the TCP/IP Send block to write streaming data over a TCP/IP network. This block works only as a TCP/IP client and cannot be used as a TCP/IP server.

The TCP/IP Send block has one input port that accepts both 1-D vector and matrix data. This block has no output ports. The block inherits the data type from the signal at the input port. Valid data types are single, double, int8, uint8, int16, uint16, int32, uint32, int64, and uint64.

# Other Supported Features

- The TCP/IP Send block supports the use of Simulink Accelerator mode and Rapid Accelerator. This feature speeds up the execution of Simulink models.
- The TCP/IP Send block supports the use of model referencing. This feature lets your model include other Simulink models as modular components.
- The TCP/IP Send block supports C/C++ code generation. This feature allows you to generate C and C++ code using Simulink Coder.

For more information on these features, see the "Simulink" documentation.

# **Ports**

#### Input

# Data — Data values to send

vector | matrix | array

Data values to send from the block to your remote host, specified as a vector, matrix, or array. Set the parameters for this block before you send data.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

#### **Parameters**

#### Remote address — Remote host name or address

remote host name or IP address.

IP address or name of the TCP/IP server that you want to send data to.

# Programmatic Use

**Block Parameter:** Host **Type:** character vector, string

### **Port** — Remote host port

80 (default) | remote host port

Remote port on the TCP/IP server that you want to connect to, specified as a number from 1 to 65535.

# **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** Port **Type:** character vector, string

**Values:** 1 to 65,535 **Default:** '80'

# Verify address and port connectivity — Remote machine connection verification

button

Click this button to check if a connection to the specified remote address and port is valid.

# Byte order — Sequential order of bytes

big-endian (default) | little-endian

Sequential order in which bytes are arranged into larger numerical values. If the byte order is little-endian, then the remote machine stores the first byte in the first memory address. If the byte order is big-endian, then the remote machine stores the last byte in the first memory address.

Configure the byte order to match the appropriate value for your remote machine before sending data. Refer to your instrument documentation for information about the order in which it stores bytes.

# **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** ByteOrder **Type:** character vector, string

Values: 'little-endian' | 'big-endian'

Default: 'big-endian'

# Enable blocking mode — Simulation waits while sending data

on (default) | off

This parameter has the simulation wait while the block sends data. Unselect the check box if you do not want the write operation to cause the simulation to wait.

If you enable blocking mode, the simulation waits for the data to be sent. If you do not enable blocking mode, the simulation runs continuously.

For more information, see "Enable Blocking Mode in Receive and Send Blocks" on page 22-25.

#### Programmatic Use

Block Parameter: EnableBlockingMode

**Type:** character vector, string

Values: 'on' | 'off'

Default: 'on'

# Timeout — Allowed time to complete operations

10 (default) | positive scalar

Amount of time in seconds that the model waits for data to be sent during each simulation time step. This value is relative to real-world or "wall clock" time.

#### **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** Timeout Type: character vector, string Values: positive scalar

Default: '10'

### **Dependencies**

To enable this parameter, set **Enable blocking mode** to on.

# Transfer Delay — Enables delayed acknowledgement

on (default) | off

If you enable this parameter, the block collects small segments of outstanding data and sends them in a single packet when acknowledgement (ACK) arrives from the server. Unselect this check box if you want to immediately send data to the network.

If a network is slow, you can improve its performance by enabling the transfer delay. However, on a fast network acknowledgments arrive guickly and the difference between enabling or disabling the transfer delay is negligible.

# **Programmatic Use**

**Block Parameter:** TransferDelay

**Type:** character vector, string

Values: 'on' | 'off' Default: 'on'

# **Extended Capabilities**

# **C/C++ Code Generation**

Generate C and C++ code using Simulink® Coder™.

This block generates platform-specific code for the host machine's platform only (Windows, macOS, Linux). Set the **Device vendor** and **Device type** in **Model Settings** > **Hardware Implementation**. You must also select **Support long long** under **Device details**.

# See Also

TCP/IP Receive

# Introduced in R2007b

# To Instrument

Send simulation data to instrument



# Library

**Instrument Control Toolbox** 

# **Description**

The To Instrument block configures and opens an interface to an instrument, initializes the instrument, and sends data to the instrument. The configuration and initialization happen at the start of the model execution. The block sends data to the instrument during model run time.

The block has no output ports. The block has one input port corresponding to the data sent to the instrument. This data type must be double precision.

**Note** The To Instrument block can be used with these interfaces: VISA, GPIB, Serial, TCP/IP, and UDP. It is not supported on these interfaces: SPI, I2C, and Bluetooth.

# **Other Supported Features**

- This block supports the use of Simulink Accelerator mode, but not Rapid Accelerator or code generation.
- The block supports the use of model referencing, so that your model can include other Simulink models as modular components.

For more information on these features, see the "Simulink" documentation.

# **Parameters**

### Block sample time

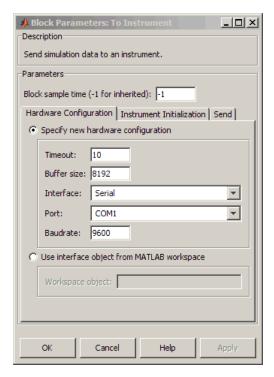
The Block sample time parameter is the only setting outside of the dialog box tabs. The default value of -1 sets the block to inherit timing. A positive value is used as the sample period.

# **Hardware Configuration Tab**

The **Hardware Configuration** tab is where you define the settings for communications with your instrument. You have two choices about establishing an interface:

- Specify a new hardware configuration.
- Use an interface object from the MATLAB workspace.





Because some parameters apply to multiple interface types, they appear here in alphabetical order.

#### **Baudrate**

The rate at which bits are transmitted for the serial or VISA serial interface.

#### **Board index**

The index of the board used for GPIB, VISA GPIB, VISA TCPIP, or VISA USB interface to the instrument. See BoardIndex property for more information.

### **Board vendor**

The vendor of the GPIB board used for the interface to the instrument. Your choices are Keysight (formerly Agilent), ICS Electronics, Measurement Computing (MCC), and National Instruments.

#### Chassis index

The index number of the VXI chassis. Used for VISA VXI and VISA VXI-GPIB interface types.

# **Buffer size**

The total number of bytes that can be stored in the software output buffer during a read operation.

#### Interface

Select the type of hardware interface to the instrument. Your options are those interfaces supported by the Instrument Control Toolbox software. The previous figure shows a configuration for a serial port interface.

#### Logical address

The logical address of the VXI instrument. Used for VISA VXI and VISA VXI-GPIB interface types.

#### **Manufacturer ID**

The manufacturer ID of the VISA USB instrument defined as a character vector. See ManufacturerID property for more information.

#### Model code

The model code of the VISA USB instrument defined as a character vector. See ModelCode property for more information.

#### **Port**

The port for the serial interface: COM1, COM2, etc.

# **Primary address**

The primary address of the instrument on the GPIB.

#### Remote host

The host name or IP address of the instrument. Used for UDP, TCPIP, or VISA TCPIP interface types.

# Remote port

The port on the instrument or remote host used for communication. Used for UDP, TCPIP, or VISA TCPIP interface types.

# **Secondary address**

The secondary address of the instrument on the GPIB.

#### Serial number

The serial number of the VISA USB instrument defined as a character vector. See SerialNumber property for more information.

#### Timeout

Time in seconds, allowed to complete the guery operation.

#### VISA vendor

The vendor of the VISA instrument used for any of the VISA interface types. Your choices are Keysight (formerly Agilent), National Instruments, and Tektronix.

# Use interface object from MATLAB workspace

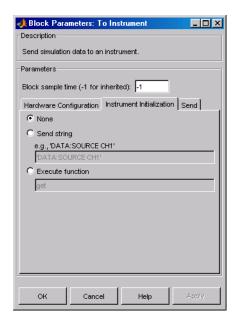
Select this option to use an interface object from the MATLAB workspace.

# Workspace object

Enter the object name that you want to use from the MATLAB workspace.

#### **Instrument Initialization Tab**

The **Instrument Initialization** tab is where you define what happens when you first open your connection to the instrument.



#### None

The default initialization option is none.

# **Send string**

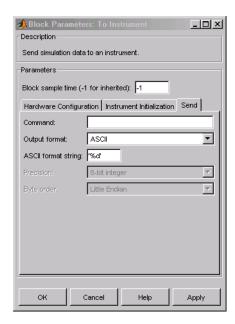
A string sent to the instrument as an instrument command to initialize the instrument or set it up in a known state.

#### **Execute function**

Any function that has as its only argument the interface object representing the instrument. You can write this function to include several instrument commands and initialization data.

#### **Send Tab**

The **Send** tab is where you define the optional command sent to the instrument and the format of the sent data.



#### Command

This is the command that is sent to the instrument with the Simulink data. *This command is optional*—if you leave this field blank, the Simulink data is sent to the instrument without any prefix or additional formatting.

# **Output format**

Your options are ASCII, Binary, or Binblock (binary block — the binblock format is described in the binblockwrite function reference page).

# **ASCII format string**

Available only when the format is ASCII, this defines the format string for the data. For a list of formats, see the fprintf function.

#### **Precision**

Used for binary or binblock format. Your options are:

- 8-bit integer (default)
- 16-bit integer
- 32-bit integer
- 8-bit unsigned integer
- 16-bit unsigned integer
- 32-bit unsigned integer
- 32-bit float
- 64-bit float

# Byte order

When using binary or binblock format with more than 8 bits, you can specify the instrument's byte order for the data. Your options are Big Endian or Little Endian.

**Tip** Hardware information shown in the dialog box is determined and cached when you first open the dialog box. To refresh the display with new values, restart MATLAB.

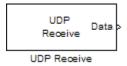
# See Also

Serial Configuration | Serial Receive | Serial Send | TCP/IP Receive | TCP/IP Send | UDP Receive | UDP Send

# **Introduced before R2006a**

# **UDP** Receive

Receive data over UDP network from specified remote machine



# Library

**Instrument Control Toolbox** 

# **Description**

The UDP Receive block configures and opens an interface to a specified remote address using the UDP protocol. The configuration and initialization occur once at the start of the model's execution. During the model's run time, the block acquires data either in blocking or nonblocking mode.

**Note** You need a license for both the Instrument Control Toolbox and Simulink software to use this block.

This block has no input ports. It has either one or two output ports based on your selection of blocking or nonblocking mode. If you select blocking mode, the block will have one output port corresponding to the data it receives.

```
192.168.0.1
Port: 9090 Data >
```

Blocking mode with 1 output port

If you do not select blocking mode, the block will have two output ports, the **Data** port and the **Status** port.

```
192.168.0.1 Data >
Port: 9090 Status >
```

Non-blocking mode with 2 output ports

A First In First Out (FIFO) buffer receives the data. At every time step, the **Data** port outputs the requested values from the buffer. In a nonblocking mode, the **Status** port indicates if the block has received new data.

#### **Other Supported Features**

- This block supports the use of Simulink Accelerator mode, but not Rapid Accelerator or code generation.
- The block supports the use of model referencing, so that your model can include other Simulink models as modular components.

For more information on these features, see the "Simulink" documentation.

# **Parameters**

**Note** You can enter MATLAB variables in the text edit fields in the UDP Receive Block Parameters dialog box, except for these fields: **Local address**, **Remote address**, **ASCII format string**, and **Terminator**.

#### Local address

Specify the IP address, name, or the Web server address of the local host. This is the same as the UDP interface localhost property. This field is empty by default.

# Local port

Specify the port to bind on the local machine. The default value is -1, which automatically binds to an available port.

# Enable local port sharing

Use to enable port sharing. UDP ports can be shared by other applications to allow for multiple applications to listen to the UDP datagrams on that port. You can bind a UDP object to a specific LocalPort number, and in another application bind a UDP socket to that same local port number so both can receive UDP broadcast data. Enabling this option allows other UDP sockets to bind to the UDP object's LocalPort. It is off by default.

#### Remote address

Specify the IP address, name, or the Web server address of the machine from which you need to receive data. This field is set to localhost by default.

# **Remote Port**

Specify the remote port on the host you need to connect to. The default port value is 9090. Valid port values are 1 to 65535.

# Verify address and port connectivity

Click this button to:

- Check if the specified remote address is correct.
- Establish connection with the specified remote address and port.

# Output latest data

Enable to receive the latest data from the UDP Receive block. Data is normally received in a FIFO manner. When enabled, the latest available packets are received, instead of using the FIFO method. Note that this option is disabled when data type is ASCII. This option is off by default.

### Data size

Specify the output data size, or the number of values that should be read at each simulation time step. This parameter is specified as a row vector of nonnegative integers, where each element represents the length of the corresponding dimension. For example, if you specify the data size as  $[m\ n]$ , m represents the number of rows and n represents the number of columns. The data size does not include the terminator value. The default value is  $[1\ 1]$ , which represents a single scalar value.

#### **Source Data type**

Specify the input data type to receive from the block. You can select from the following values:

- single
- double
- int8
- uint8 (default)
- int16
- uint16
- int32
- uint32
- ASCII

### **ASCII format string**

This option is only available when you select ASCII as your data type. It defines the format string for the data. For a list of formats, see the fscanf function.

#### **Terminator**

This option is only available when you select ASCII as your data type. It can be used to set a terminator for the data read. For more information about setting the property, see Terminator.

# Byte order

When using binary or binblock format with more than 8 bits, you can specify the instrument's byte order for the data. Your options are BigEndian or LittleEndian.

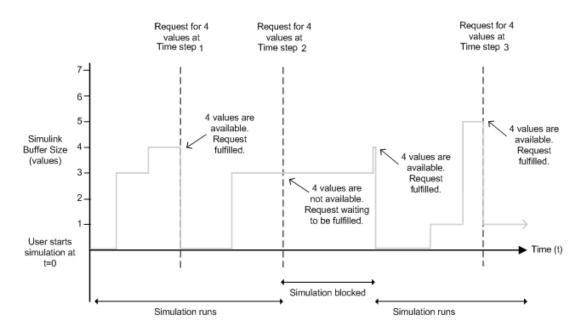
### **Enable blocking mode**

Specify if you want to block the simulation while receiving data. This option is selected by default. Clear this check box if you do not want the read operation to block the simulation.

If you enable blocking mode, the model will block the simulation while it is waiting for the requested data to be available. If you do not enable blocking mode, the simulation runs continuously. The block has two output ports, **Status** and **Data**. The **Data** port contains the requested set of data at each time step. The **Status** port contains 0 or 1 based on whether it received new data at the given time step. The following diagrams show the difference between receiving data using blocking mode and nonblocking mode.

In this example, you start the simulation at time (t=0) and specify the amount of data to receive as 4 (set in the **Data size** field of the UDP Receive Block Parameters dialog box). After the simulation starts, the data is acquired asynchronously in a FIFO buffer.

# **Blocking Mode**



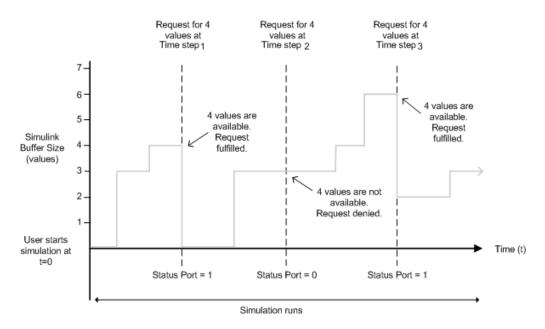
The blocking mode simulation occurs like this:

- At time step 1: The Simulink software requests data and the buffer has four values available, the block fulfills the request without interrupting the simulation. The block resets the buffer value to 0.
- At time step 2: The Simulink software requests data again, and the buffer has only three values, therefore it blocks the simulation until it receives the fourth value. When the block receives the fourth value, it fulfills the request and resumes the simulation. The block resets the buffer value to 0.
- At time step 3: When the Simulink software requests data, the block has five values and it returns the first four that it received and resets the buffer to 1.

If the requested data is not received within the amount of time specified in the **Timeout** field (of the UDP Receive Block Parameters dialog box), a Simulink software error occurs and the simulation is stopped.

**Note** In blocking mode, if you have more than one UDP model on your computer, ensure that the Receive block is receiving data. If it is not, then your model might error out. You can avoid this by either changing the block to Nonblocking mode or by resetting the block's priority.

#### **Nonblocking Mode**



Here the simulation is not blocked and runs continuously.

- At time step 1: The Simulink software requests data and the buffer has four values available, the block fulfills the request and changes the Status port value to 1, indicating that new data is available. The Data port at this point contains the newly received values. The block resets the buffer value to 0.
- At time step 2: The Simulink software requests data again, and the buffer has only three values, and the block cannot return it as data size is specified as 4. Therefore the block sets the Status port value to 0, indicating that there is no new data. The Data port contains the previously received value, and the buffer is at three (the number of values it has received since the last request was fulfilled).
- At time step 3: When the Simulink software requests data here, the buffer now has five values and it returns the first four in the order it received and changes the Status port value to 1.

### **Timeout**

Specify the amount of time that the model will wait for the data during each simulation time step. The default value is inf (seconds). This field is unavailable if you have not enabled blocking mode.

### **Block sample time**

Specify the sampling time of the block during simulation. The default value is 0.01 (seconds).

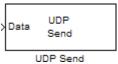
#### See Also

Serial Configuration, Serial Receive, Serial Send, TCP/IP Receive, TCP/IP Send, UDP Send

### Introduced in R2007b

# **UDP Send**

Send data over UDP network to specified remote machine



# Library

**Instrument Control Toolbox** 

# **Description**

The UDP Send block sends data from your model to the specified remote machine using the UDP protocol.

**Note** You need a license for both the Instrument Control Toolbox and Simulink software to use this block.

The UDP Send block has one input port and it accepts both 1-D vector and matrix data. This block has no output ports. The block inherits the data type from the signal at the input port.

# **Other Supported Features**

- This block supports the use of Simulink Accelerator mode, but not Rapid Accelerator or code generation.
- The block supports the use of model referencing, so that your model can include other Simulink models as modular components.

For more information on these features, see the "Simulink" documentation.

# **Parameters**

**Note** You can enter MATLAB variables in the text edit fields in the UDP Send Block Parameters dialog box, except for these fields: **Local address** and **Remote address**.

# Remote address

Specify the IP address, name, or the Web server address of the machine to which you need to send data. This field is empty by default.

#### Remote port

Specify the remote port on the host you need to send the data to. The default port value is 9090. Valid port values are 1 to 65535.

# **Local address**

Specify the IP address, name, or the Web server address of the local host. This is the same as the UDP interface localhost property. This field is empty by default.

### Local port

Specify the port to bind on the local machine. The default value is -1, which automatically binds to an available port.

### **Enable local port sharing**

Use to enable port sharing. UDP ports can be shared by other applications to allow for multiple applications to listen to the UDP datagrams on that port. You can bind a UDP object to a specific LocalPort number, and in another application bind a UDP socket to that same local port number so both can receive UDP broadcast data. Enabling this option allows other UDP sockets to bind to the UDP object's LocalPort. It is off by default.

# Verify address and port connectivity

Click this button to:

- Check if the specified remote address is correct.
- · Establish connection with the specified remote address and port.

# **UDP** packet size

Use to set the OutputDatagramPacketSize property. The UDP packet size is controlled by the OutputDatagramPacketSize property. You can specify the size, in bytes, between 1 and 65,535, and the default value is 512. You can increase or decrease the packet size if necessary.

# Byte order

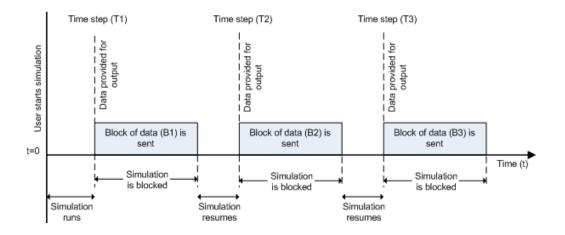
When using binary or binblock format with more than 8 bits, you can specify the instrument's byte order for the data. Your options are BigEndian or LittleEndian.

#### **Enable blocking mode**

Specify if you want to block the simulation while sending data. This option is selected by default. Clear this check box if you do not want the write operation to block the simulation.

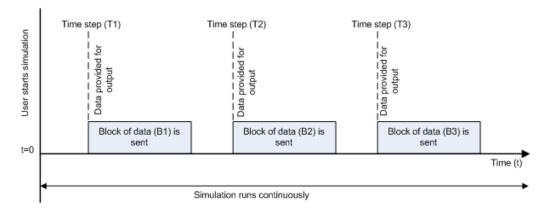
The following diagrams show the difference between sending data using blocking mode and nonblocking mode.

#### **Blocking Mode**



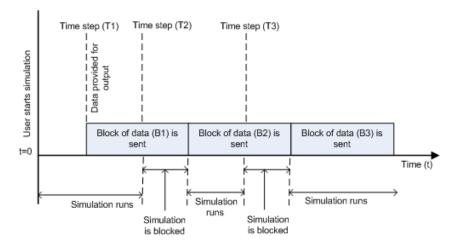
In this example, you start the simulation at time (t=0). At time step (T1), data output is initiated and simulation stops until the block of data (B1) is sent to the specified remote address and port. After the data is sent, simulation resumes until time step (T2), where the block initiates another data output and simulation is blocked until the block of data (B2) is sent to the remote address and port, and the simulation resumes.

### Nonblocking Mode - Scenario 1



In this scenario, the data output outpaces the simulation speed. Data output is initiated at the first time step (T1) and the corresponding block of data (B1) is sent to the specified remote address asynchronously. The simulation runs continuously in this mode.

# Nonblocking Mode - Scenario 2



In this scenario, the simulation is nonblocking and occurs faster than the data initiation.

 At time step T1: The block of data (B1) is sent to the specified remote address and port asynchronously. • At time step T2: The simulation is blocked until the block of data (B1) is sent completely. When the (B1) is completely sent, the new block of data (B2) is sent asynchronously, and the simulation resumes.

**Note** Several factors, including network connectivity and model complexity, can affect the simulation speed. This can cause both nonblocking scenarios to occur within the same simulation.

# See Also

Serial Configuration, Serial Receive, Serial Send, TCP/IP Receive, TCP/IP Send, UDP Receive

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