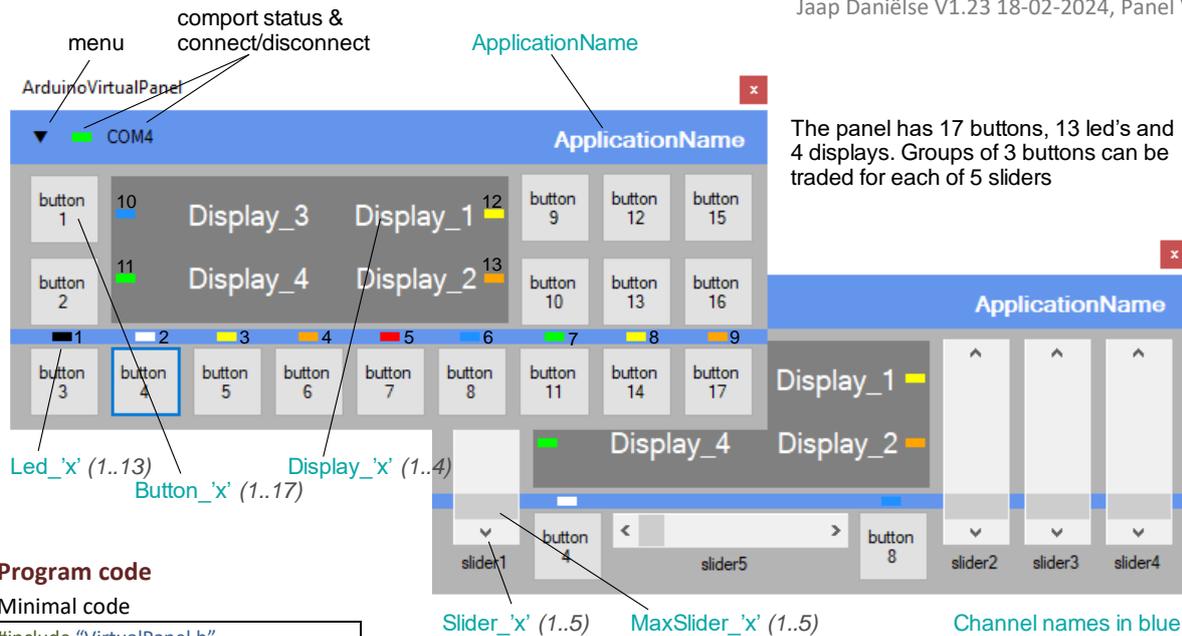


Arduino Experiment Control Panel

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Program code

Minimal code

```
#include "VirtualPanel.h"

void setup ()
{ Panel.begin(); }

void loop ()
{ Panel.receive(); }

// callbackroutine
void PanelCallback (vp_channel event)
{ switch (event)
  { case channel:
    ...
    break;
  } }
}
```

```
Panel.send (channel, variable*);
Panel.sendf (channel, formatted
string**, format variables ...);
* types depending on channel.
** see printf formatting
```

Main Panel channels/events

send() or sendf() functions.
Receive via PanelCallback() event

| | |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| ApplicationName | send |
| char* | appl. name text |
| color ¹ | text color |

| | |
|----------------|------------|
| PanelConnected | receive |
| void | on connect |

| | |
|-------|-------------|
| Reset | send |
| void | reset panel |

| | |
|----------------|----------------------|
| DynamicDisplay | send |
| bool | activate/ deactivate |
| int16 | delay ms (100-2000)* |
| | Receive |
| void | on delay freq. |

*Default 250ms

| | |
|----------|------------------------|
| UnixTime | send |
| void | request |
| | receive |
| uint32 | (local) unix time code |

| | |
|---------|--------------------------------|
| Beep | send |
| void | def: (500 Hz 400 ms) |
| Int16 | Freq. Hz 400 ms |
| uint32* | Frequency, Duration |
| | * use _Sound helper function: |
| | long _Sound(int freq, int dur) |

| | |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| Button_x' (1..17) | send |
| any | button text |
| color ¹ | button text color |
| size ¹ | text size |
| repeat ¹ | button (no)repeat |
| | receive |
| void | on button click |

| | |
|------------------|------------------------|
| Slider_x' (1..5) | send |
| bool | visible/invisible |
| char* | slider label text |
| int16 | set (initial) value |
| | receive |
| int16 | value on slider action |

| | |
|---------------------|----------------|
| MaxSlider_x' (1..5) | send |
| int16 | maximum value* |
| | *Positive only |

| | |
|--------------------|-------------|
| PanelColor | send |
| color ¹ | panel color |

¹ See: Special strings

| | |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| Led_x' (1..13) | send |
| bool | visible/invisible |
| color ¹ | led color |

| | |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| Display_x' (1..4) | send |
| any | display as text |
| color ¹ | display text color |
| size ¹ | text size |
| | Receive |
| void | double click |

| | |
|---------------------------|------|
| Panel Input | |
| PanelInputLabel_x' (1..2) | |
| PanelInput_x' (1..2) | |
| Frequency (Hz) | 1000 |
| MinPanelInput_x' (1..2) | |
| MaxPanelInput_x' (1..2) | |

| | |
|----------------------|----------------------------|
| PanelInput_x' (1..2) | send |
| bool | true:static/false:volatile |
| any | set value |
| | receive |
| any* | value |
| void | discard |

*Type same as sent type

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| MinPanelInput_x' (1..2) | send |
| MaxPanelInput_x' (1..2) | send |
| num* | min/max value** |
| | *byte, int16, uint16, int32, uint32, float |
| | **When string int16 min/max length. |

| | |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| PanelInputLabel_x' (1..2) | send |
| any | input label text |

OpenFile_ 'x' (1..4) send

| | |
|-------|-------------------|
| void | open with dialog |
| char* | file path string* |

Receive

| | |
|-------|--------------------|
| int32 | line count if open |
| void | if file not open |

*_ dir. path only, sets dialog path.

- void, filename or wildcard + ext.

opens or creates file via dialog.

- ext. sets dialog file filter.

- /f forces open/create w/o dialog if specified dir. / dialog dir. valid.

FileDialogTitle_ 'x' (1..4) send

| | |
|-------|------------------|
| char* | set dialog title |
|-------|------------------|

ReadLineFile_ 'x' (1..4) send

| | |
|-------|------------------------|
| void | read next line |
| int32 | set next read line nr. |

Receive

| | |
|-------|-------------|
| char* | line read * |
| void | end of file |

* Truncates to 60 chars.

WriteLineFile_ 'x' (1..4) send

| | |
|-------|-------------------------|
| char* | write next line |
| int32 | set next write line nr. |

ClearFile_ 'x' (1..4) send

| | |
|------|-----------------|
| void | clear open file |
|------|-----------------|

DeleteFile_ 'x' (1..4) send

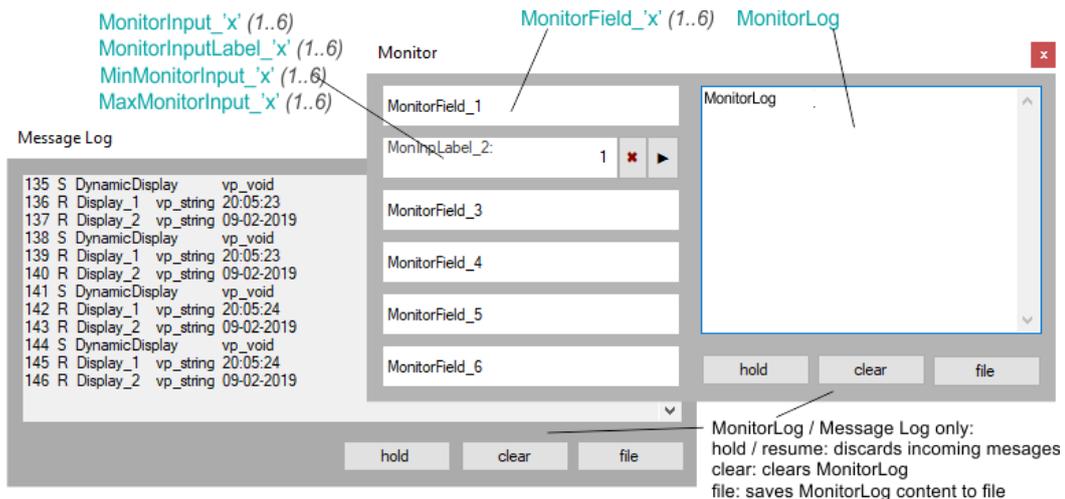
| | |
|------|------------------|
| void | delete open file |
|------|------------------|

Message Log Panel

Records panel incoming (R) and panel outgoing (S) messages.

Monitor Panel

Provides a log panel and additional displays and inputs



Message Log

Format:

146 R Display_2 vp_string Test
 {MessageNumber} {Send/Receive}
 {channel} {VarType} {Value}

Monitor channels / events

Monitor send

| | |
|------|------------------------|
| bool | win. visible/invisible |
|------|------------------------|

MonitorField_ 'x' (1..6) send

| | |
|-----|-----------------|
| any | display as text |
|-----|-----------------|

MonitorInput_ 'x' (1..6) send

| | |
|------|-----------------|
| bool | static/volatile |
| any* | value |

receive

| | |
|------|---------|
| any* | value |
| void | discard |

*Type same as sent type

MonitorInputLabel_ 'x' (1..2) send

| | |
|-----|------------------|
| any | Input label text |
|-----|------------------|

MinMonitorInput_ 'x' (1..6) send

| | |
|------|---------|
| num* | value** |
|------|---------|

*byte, int16, uint16, int32, uint32, float

**When string int16 min/max length.

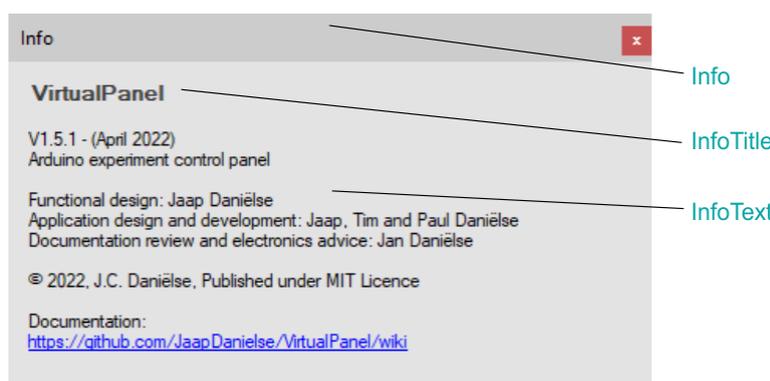
MonitorLog send

| | |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| any | display as text |
| \$CLEAR ¹ | clear Log |

¹See special strings

Info Panel

Application dependent help panel.



Info channels / events

Info send

| | |
|----------------------|------------------------|
| bool | win. visible/invisible |
| \$CLEAR ¹ | Resets to default. |

InfoTitle send

| | |
|------|------------|
| any* | title text |
|------|------------|

*Also clears InfoText

InfoText send

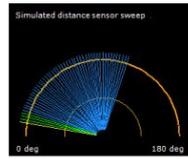
| | |
|-------|------------|
| char* | Info text* |
|-------|------------|

* max 60 char per send.

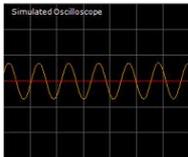
Can be repeated for larger text

Graph Panel

Graphic display functions (rolling/static graph, draw) panel, including additional labels and buttons.



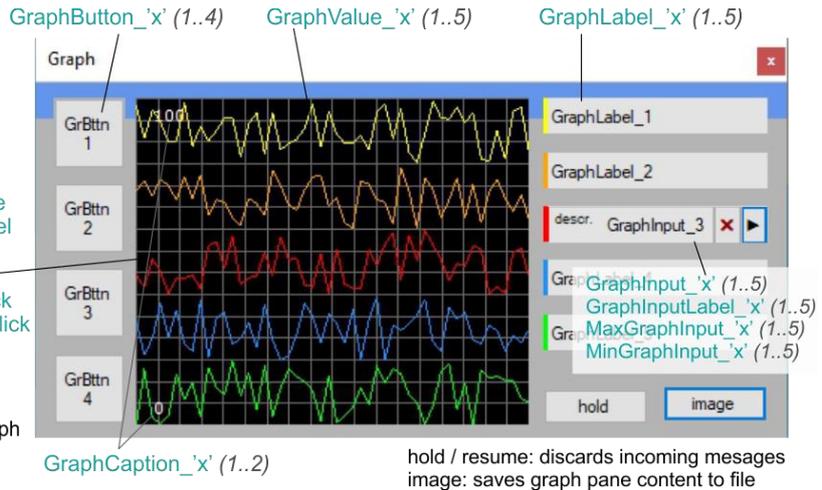
Graph Draw



Static Graph

GraphGrid
GraphDrawLine
GraphDrawPixel
GraphText
GraphClick
GraphRightClick
GraphDoubleClick

RollingGraph



hold / resume: discards incoming messages
image: saves graph pane content to file

Graph channels/events

Graph send

| | |
|----------------------|------------------------|
| bool | win. visible/invisible |
| \$CLEAR ¹ | clear graph* |

*Not values

GraphGrid send

| | |
|-------|------------------|
| int16 | vert. grid count |
|-------|------------------|

GraphDrawLine send

| | |
|---------------------|--------------------------|
| void | line start |
| uint16 ² | line point (x,y) |
| uint32 ² | line segment (x,y,x',y') |
| color ¹ | line color |
| width ¹ | line width |

GraphDrawPixel send

| | |
|---------------------|-------------|
| uint16 ² | point (x,y) |
| color ¹ | pixel color |
| width ¹ | pixel width |

GraphDrawCircle send

| | |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| params ² | circle parameters |
| color ¹ | circle color |
| width ¹ | circle width |

GraphCaption_'x' (1..2) send

| | |
|-----|--------------|
| any | Caption text |
|-----|--------------|

Graph Panel 255(x) X 220(y)
Actual 263(x) for GraphValue

GraphText send

| | |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| color ¹ | text color |
| uint16 ² | point 2 x byte (x,y) |
| char* | text |

GraphValue_'x' (1..5) send

| | |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| byte | graph value (0-255) |
| color ¹ | graph color |
| width ¹ | line width string |
| type ¹ | rolling/static |
| \$CLEAR ¹ | clear sent values |

GraphValueCount_'x' (1..5) send

| | |
|-------|-------------------|
| int16 | hor. value count* |
|-------|-------------------|

*Default value 50.

¹See: Special strings

²See: Helper functions Draw:

_Point(), _Line(), _Circle().

GraphButton_'x' (1..4) send

| | |
|--------------------|--------------|
| any | button text |
| color ¹ | button color |
| size ¹ | text size |

receive

| | |
|------|-----------------|
| void | on button click |
|------|-----------------|

GraphClick receive

GraphRightClick receive

GraphDoubleClick* receive

| | |
|----------|----------------|
| uint16** | click position |
|----------|----------------|

* occurs together with GraphClick

**uint 2 x byte (X,Y)

(same as -DrawPixel and -DrawLine)

GraphLabel_'x' (1..5) send

| | |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| bool | visible/invisible |
| any | label text |
| color ¹ | color bar color* |

* \$OFF (color bar invisible)

GraphInput_'x' (1..5) send

| | |
|------|-----------------|
| bool | static/volatile |
| any* | set value |

receive

| | |
|------|---------|
| any* | value |
| void | discard |

*Type same as sent type

GraphInputLabel_'x' (1..5) send

| | |
|-----|------------------|
| any | Input label text |
|-----|------------------|

MinGraphInput_'x' (1..5) send

MaxGraphInput_'x' (1..5) send

| | |
|------|-----------------|
| num* | min/max value** |
|------|-----------------|

*byte, int16, uint16, int32, uint32, float

**When string int16 min/max length.

Data types and Panel Variables

Data types

| | |
|---------------------|--------|
| vp_type::vp_void | void |
| vp_type::vp_boolean | bool |
| vp_type::vp_string | char* |
| vp_type::vp_byte | byte |
| vp_type::vp_int | int16 |
| vp_type::vp_uint | uint16 |
| vp_type::vp_long | int32 |
| vp_type::vp_ulong | uint32 |
| vp_type::vp_float | float |

Event data type received in:

| | |
|----------------|----------|
| Panel.vpr_type | vpr_type |
|----------------|----------|

Panel variables

(Event data received)

| | |
|------------------|-----------|
| Panel.vpr_void | void |
| Panel.vpr_bool | bool |
| Panel.vpr_string | char* |
| Panel.vpr_byte | byte |
| Panel.vpr_int | int16_t |
| Panel.vpr_uint | uint16_t |
| Panel.vpr_long | int32_t |
| Panel.vpr_ulong | uint32_t |
| Panel.vpr_float | float32_t |

vpr_void DynamicDisplay (timer),

Button, GraphButton (click),

ReadLineFile (eof),

Display (double click), PanelInput,

MonitorInput, GraphInput (discard)

vpr_bool OpenFile, WriteLineFile

vpr_string ReadLineFile (line read)

vpr_int Slider (slider value)

vpr_long UnixTime (timecode)

OpenFile (linecount)

any type: PanelInput, MonitorInput ,

GraphInput (send)

Code example:

if (Panel.vpr_type==vp_type::vp_int)

MyInt = Panel.vpr_int;

Special strings

Color strings

For: [ApplicationName](#), [Display](#), [Led](#), [Button](#), [GraphButton](#), [GraphValue](#), [GraphDrawLine](#), [GraphDrawPixel](#), [GraphDrawCircle](#).

| | |
|--------------|---|
| \$DEL(ETE)* | |
| \$OFF** | ■ |
| \$BLACK | ■ |
| \$GRAY | ■ |
| \$PURPLE | ■ |
| \$DPURPLE*** | ■ |
| \$PINK | ■ |
| \$LBLUE*** | ■ |
| \$BLUE | ■ |
| \$DBLUE*** | ■ |
| \$GREEN | ■ |
| \$YELLOW | ■ |
| \$ORANGE | ■ |
| \$RED | ■ |
| \$BROWN | ■ |
| \$WHITE | ■ |

*draw only **led only ***not panel

(Helper) Functions

Panel Delay function

`bool Panel.delay(int16_t milliseconds, bool receive)`
Allows to check for incoming messages during delay. If receive is true `Panel.receive()` is called. If an incoming message was detected, `true` is returned.

Panel Synchronous request

`bool PanelSyncRequest(event)`
Request event and waits for answer. Only for [ReadLineFile_x](#) and [UnixTime](#) events.
Concurrent use is blocked!
On success `true` : `PanelSrqrStatus = vpsrq_Success` else `false` : `vpsrq_Timeout` / `vpsrq_InvalidChannel` / `vpsrq_ConcurrencyErr`.

Helper function Sound

`uint32_t _Sound(int freq, int dur)`
Combines two `int16_t` (frequency Hz, duration mS) into one `uint32_t`.

Helper functions Draw

`_Point()`
`uint16_t _Point(byte x, byte y)`
combines 2 bytes into `uint16_t` (x,y) for a point.
When sent to [GraphDrawLine](#) consecutive points are connected in a line.

`_Line()`

`uint32_t _Line(byte Fx, Fy, Tx, Ty)`
Combines four bytes into `uint32_t` (x from, y from, x to, y to)

`_Circle()`

Graph Type strings

Set graph type for: [GraphValue](#).
Rolling values are added right and move to left. Static waits until all values have been sent then displays.

| | |
|-----------|-------------------|
| \$ROLING* | Set rolling graph |
| \$STATIC | Set static graph |

* default

Pen size strings Draw

Size for: [GraphDrawPixel](#), [GraphDrawLine](#), [GraphDrawCircle](#), [GraphValue](#).

| | |
|----------|--------------|
| \$1PX* | 1 pixel |
| \$2PX | 2x2 pixels |
| \$3PX | 3x3 pixels |
| \$4PX | 4x4 pixels |
| \$8PX** | 8x8 pixels |
| \$16PX** | 16x16 pixels |

* default **draw only

`char * _Circle(byte x, byte y, byte rad, int angle, int arc)`
Center (x,y) *rad* (radius), start *angle*, *arc* angle. Omitting *angle* and *arc* draws a full circle.

`_VPoint() / _VLine() / _VCircle()`
`uint16_t _VPoint(byte x, byte y)`
`uint32_t _VLine(byte Fx, Fy, Tx, Ty)`
`char * _VCircle(byte x, byte y, byte rad, int angle, int arc)`
Same as `_Point`, `_Line` and `_Circle` but transforms y values from value (0-255) to coordinate (0-220).

Sendf() / Printf formatting

`%[flags][width][length]specifier`

specifiers (limited list)

| | | |
|-----|----------------|--------|
| %c | ascii char | byte |
| %d | signed dec. | int16 |
| %ld | signed dec. | int32 |
| %u | unsigned dec. | uint16 |
| %lu | unsigned dec. | uint32 |
| %o | unsigned octal | any |
| %x | uns. hex lc/uc | any |
| %s | string | char[] |
| %f* | float | float |

*Not AVR supported. see: `sendf()` float

flags

| | |
|---|--------------------------|
| - | left justify- in padding |
| + | force sign |
| 0 | pad zero's |

Examples:

`Panel.sendf (Display_1, "Test %d", 10) // output: Test 10`
`Panel.sendf(Display_1, "Test %03d", 10) // output: Test 010`

Text attributes/size strings

For: [Display](#), [Button](#), [GraphButton](#).

| | |
|-----------|------------------|
| \$SMALL | font size small |
| \$NORMAL* | font size normal |
| \$BIG | font size big |
| \$BOLD | bold text |
| \$xPT** | point size |

*Default. Resets bold and big

**Buttons x = 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 16, 18 - Displays x = 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 18

Clear Function

[MonitorLog](#), [Info](#), [Graph](#), [GraphValue](#).

| | |
|---------|--------------------|
| \$CLEAR | clear/reset entity |
|---------|--------------------|

Button repeat Function

[Button](#).

| | |
|-------------|------------------|
| \$REPEAT | set button rep. |
| \$NOREPEAT* | set button click |

*default

`Panel.sendf(Display_1, "Test %+d", 10) // output: Test +10`
Helper function Float string
`char * _FString(floatNumber, length, decimals);`

sendf() float

Float not supported on AVR (Uno, Nano, Mega ...)
Use `_FString()` helper function.
`char* _FString(floatNumber, length, decimals);` again with `Panel.sendf` using "%s"

Example:

`Panel.sendf(Display_1, "Value %s", _FString(FloatValue, 5, 2));`
Prints `FloatValue` using 5 chars, 3 of which are a '.' and 2 decimals.

Unicode characters

Using `send()` or `sendf()` to send a string, Unicode characters can be used. Simply copy and paste into the string.

F() Macro

In both `send()` and `sendf()` the `F()` macro for strings is allowed. This will force the string to be placed in program memory. (*not Due*)
Example:
`Panel.sendf (Display_1, F("Value %d"), 10);`

Command-line parameter

`port=COMx` sets designated port (disables port search).