Control Objects

Introduction

A **Control** object manages a motion controller device. The device is typically a single board residing in a PC or an embedded system. A control object can read and write device memory through one of a variety of methods: I/O port, memory mapped or device driver.

For the case where the application and the motion controller device exist on two physically separate platforms connected by a LAN or serial line, the application creates a client control object which communicates via remote procedure calls with a server.

Unlike the methods of all other objects in the MPI, Control object methods are not thread-safe.

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Methods

Create, Delete, Validate Methods

mpiControl**Create**	Create Control object
mpiControl**Delete**	Delete Control object
mpiControl**Validate**	Validate Control object

Configuration and Information Methods

mpiControl**Address**	Get original address of Control object (when it was created)
mpiControl**ConfigGet**	Get Control config
mpiControl**ConfigSet**	Set Control config
meiControl**FPGADefaultGet**	
meiControl**FPGAFileOverride**	
meiControl**ExtMemAvail**	
mpiControl**FlashConfigGet**	Get Control flash config
mpiControl**FlashConfigSet**	Set Control flash config
meiControl**GateGet**	Get the closed state (TRUE or FALSE)
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meiControl**Info**	
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meiControl**IoBitSet**	
meiControl**SampleCounter**	
meiControl**SamplestoSeconds**	Converts samples to seconds
meiControl**SampleWait**	
meiControl**SecondstoSamples**	Converts seconds to samples
mpiControl**Type**	Get type of Control object (used to create Command object)

Memory Methods

mpiControl**Memory**	Get address of Control memory
mpiControl**MemoryAlloc**	Allocate bytes of firmware memory
mpiControl**MemoryCount**	Get number of bytes available in firmware
mpiControl**MemoryFree**	Free bytes of firmware memory
mpiControl**MemoryGet**	Copy count bytes of Control memory to application memory
mpiControl**MemorySet**	Copy count bytes of application memory to Control memory

Relational Methods

meiControl**Platform**

Action Methods

mpiControl**CycleWait**	Wait for Control to execute count cycles
mpiControl**Init**	Initialize Control object
mpiControl**InterruptEnable**	Enable interrupts to Control object
mpiControl**InterruptWait**	Wait for controller interrupt
mpiControl**InterruptWake**	Wake all threads waiting for controller interrupt
mpiControl**Reset**	Reset controller hardware
meiControl**SampleWait**	Specify how many samples the host waits for, while the XMP executes
meiControl**VersionMismatchOveride**	

Data Types

MPIControl**Address**

MPIControl**Config** / MEIControl**Config**

MEIControl**FPGA**

MEIControl**Info**

MEIControl**InfoDriver**

MEIControl**InfoFirmware**

MEIControl**InfoHardware**

MEIControl**InfoMpi**

MEIControl**InfoPld**

MEIControl**InfoRincon**

MEIControl**Input**

MPIControl**Io**

MEIControl**IoBit**

MPIControl**IoWords**

MPIControl**Message** / MEIControl**Message**

MPIControl**MemoryType**

MEIControl**Output**

MEIControl**Trace**

MPIControl**Type**

Constants

MPIControl**MAX_AXES**

MPIControl**MAX_COMPENSATORS**

MPIControl**MAX_RECORDERS**

MPIControl**MIN_AXIS_FRAME_COUNT**

MEIControl**STRING_MAX**

mpiControlCreate

Declaration

```
MPIControl mpiControlCreate(MPIControlType     type,
                            MPIControlAddress  *address)
```

Required Header

stdmpi.h

Description

ControlCreate creates a Control object of the specified ***type*** and type-specific ***address***. ControlCreate is the equivalent of a C++ constructor.

The type parameter determines the form of the address parameter:

If the "type" parameter is	***Then the form of the "address" parameter is***
MPIControlTypeDEFAULT	implementation-specific
MPIControlTypeMAPPED	MPIControlAddress.mapped
MPIControlTypeDEVICE	MPIControlAddress.device
MPIControlTypeCLIENT	MPIControlAddress.client

Note: This constructor does not reset or initialize the motion control device.

About MPIControlTypes:

If **MPIControlType** is	And **MPIControlAddress** is	Then the **Board Number** is	And the **"address" parameter** to be used is
DEFAULT	Null address	0 address.number	default address parameter default address parameter
DEVICE	Null address	0 address.number	default device driver address.type.device (if address.type.device is Null, then default device driver)
CLIENT	address	specified by server	address.type.client (**NOTE**: address.number should be set to zero)

1. If the ***type*** is DEFAULT, then the address structure (if supplied) is referenced **only for the board number**. Note that even if the default ***type*** is DEVICE, the default device driver will be used and *address.type.device* will not be used.
2. If the ***type*** is explicitly DEVICE, and the ***address*** is provided, then address.number will be used. If *address.type.device* is NULL, then the default device driver will be used. If *address.type.device* is not NULL, then the specified driver (DEVICE) will be used.

Sample Code

In general, if the caller specifies an explicit type (i.e., not DEFAULT), then the caller must completely fill out the address.type structure.
A simple case that will work for almost anyone who wants to use board #0:

```
mpiControlCreate(MPIControlTypeDEFAULT, NULL);
```

A simple case where board #1 is desired is:

```
{
   MPIControlAddress address;
   address.number = 1;
   mpiControlCreate(MPIControlTypeDEFAULT, &address);
}
```

Since the default MPIControlType = MPIControlTypeDEVICE, the *address* may be on the stack with garbage for the device driver name. This isn't a problem, however, because the board number is the only field in *address* that will be used when the caller specifies the DEFAULT MPIControlType.

Return Values

handle	to a Control object
MPIHandleVOID	if the object could not be created

See Also

MPIControl | MPIControlAddress | MPIControlType | mpiControlValidate
mpiControlInit | mpiControlDelete

mpiControlDelete

Declaration

```
long mpiControlDelete(MPIControl control);
```

Required Header

stdmpi.h

Description

ControlDelete deletes a control object and invalidates its handle. *ControlDelete* is the equivalent of a C++ destructor.

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlDelete* successfully deletes a Control object and invalidates its handle

See Also

mpiControlCreate | mpiControlValidate

mpiControlValidate

Declaration

```
long mpiControlValidate(MPIControl control);
```

Required Header stdmpi.h

Description **ControlValidate** validates the control object and its handle.

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if Control is a handle to a valid object.

See Also mpiControlCreate | mpiControlDelete

mpiControlAddress

Declaration

```
long mpiControlAddress(MPIControl        control,
                       MPIControlAddress *address)
```

Required Header stdmpi.h

Description When a Control object (***control***) is created, an address is used. **ControlAddress** writes this address to the contents of ***address***.

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlAddress* successfully writes the address (used when ***control*** was created) to the contents of ***address***

See Also

mpiControlConfigGet

Declaration

```
long mpiControlConfigGet(MPIControl        control,
                         MPIControlConfig *config,
                         void             *external)
```

Required Header

stdmpi.h

Description

ControlConfigGet gets the configuration of a Control object (***control***) and writes it into the structure pointed to by **config**, and also writes it into the implementation-specific structure pointed to by ***external*** (if ***external*** is not NULL).

The configuration information in ***external*** is in addition to the configuration information in config, i.e, the configuration information in ***config*** and in ***external*** is not the same information. Note that ***config*** or ***external*** can be NULL (but not both NULL).

XMP Only

external either points to a structure of type **MEIControlConfig{}** or is NULL.

Sample Code

```
/*
  Write a value to element index of the user buffer.
  Make sure to save topology to flash before doing this.
*/
void write2UserBuffer(MPIControl control, long value, long index)
{
    MPIControlConfig config;
       MEIControlConfig external;
       long returnValue;

    if((index < MEIXmpUserDataSize) && (index >= 0))
    {
      /* Make sure to save topology to flash before doing this */
      returnValue = mpiControlConfigGet(control,
           &config,
           &external);
      msgCHECK(returnValue);

      external.UserBuffer.Data[index] = value;

      returnValue = mpiControlConfigSet(control,
           &config,
           &external);
      msgCHECK(returnValue);
     }
}
```

Return Values

MPIMessageOK	if *ControlConfigGet* successfully gets the ***control*** configuration and writes it in the structure(s)

See Also

mpiControlConfigSet | MEIControlConfig |
Special Note on Dynamic Allocation of External Memory Buffers.

mpiControlConfigSet

Declaration

```
long mpiControlConfigSet(MPIControl        control,
                         MPIControlConfig *config,
                         void             *external)
```

Required Header

stdmpi.h

Description

ControlConfigSet sets (writes) the Control object's (***control***) configuration using data from the structure pointed to by ***config***, and also using data from the implementation-specific structure pointed to by ***external*** (if ***external*** is not NULL).

The configuration information in ***external*** is in addition to the configuration information in config, i.e, the configuration information in ***config*** and in ***external*** is not the same information. Note that ***config*** or ***external*** can be NULL (but not both NULL).

XMP Only

external either points to a structure of type **MEIControlConfig{}** or is NULL.

Sample Code

```
/*
  Write a value to element index of the user buffer.
  Make sure to save topology to flash before doing this.
*/
void write2UserBuffer(MPIControl control, long value, long index)
{
    MPIControlConfig config;
       MEIControlConfig external;
       long returnValue;

    if((index < MEIXmpUserDataSize) && (index >= 0))
    {
      /* Make sure to save topology to flash before doing this */
      returnValue = mpiControlConfigGet(control,
           &config,
           &external);
      msgCHECK(returnValue);

      external.UserBuffer.Data[index] = value;

      returnValue = mpiControlConfigSet(control,
           &config,
           &external);
      msgCHECK(returnValue);
     }
}
```

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlConfigSet* successfully writes the Control object's configuration using data from the structure(s)

See Also

mpiControlConfigGet | MEIControlConfig |
Special Note on Dynamic Allocation of External Memory Buffers.

meiControlExtMemAvail

Declaration

```
long meiControlExtMemAvail(MPIControl control,
                           long       *size)
```

Required Header

stdmei.h

Description

ControlExtMemAvail gets the amount of external memory available on an XMP-Series controller. It puts the number of words (16 bit) in the location pointed to by size.

control	a handle to the Control object
***size**	a pointer to the available memory words returned by the method

Return Values

MPIMessageOK	if *ControlExtMemAvail* successfully gets and writes the available external memory words into ***size***

See Also

MPIControlConfig

mpiControlFlashConfigGet

Declaration

```
long mpiControlFlashConfigGet(MPIControl        control,
                              void              *flash,
                              MPIControlConfig  *config,
                              void              *external)
```

Required Header

stdmpi.h

Description

ControlFlashConfigGet gets the flash configuration of a Control object (control) and writes it into the structure pointed to by ***config***, and also writes it into the implementation-specific structure pointed to by ***external*** (if ***external*** is not NULL).

The Control's flash configuration information in ***external*** is in addition to the Control's flash configuration information in ***config***, i.e., the flash configuration information in ***config*** and in ***external*** is not the same information. Note that ***config*** or ***external*** can be NULL (but not both NULL).

XMP Only

external either points to a structure of type **MEIControlConfig{}** or is NULL. ***flash*** is either an MEIFlash handle or MPIHandleVOID. If ***flash*** is MPIHandleVOID, an MEIFlash object will be created and deleted internally.

Sample Code

```
/*
  Write a value to element index of the user buffer.
  Make sure to save topology to flash before doing this.
*/
void write2UserBufferFlash(MPIControl control, long value, long index)
{
  MPIControlConfig config;
     MEIControlConfig external;
     long returnValue;

     if((index < MEIXmpUserDataSize) && (index >= 0))
     {
         /* Make sure to save topology to flash before doing this */
         returnValue = mpiControlFlashConfigGet(control,
               MPIHandleVOID,
               &config,
               &external);
         msgCHECK(returnValue);

         external.UserBuffer.Data[index] = value;

         returnValue = mpiControlFlashConfigSet(control,
               MPIHandleVOID,
               &config,
```

```
                    &external);
                msgCHECK(returnValue);
            }
        }
```

Return Values

MPIMessageOK	if *ControlFlashConfigGet* successfully gets the Control's flash configuration and writes it into the structure(s)

See Also

MEIFlash | mpiControlFlashConfigSet | | MEIControlConfig

mpiControlFlashConfigSet

Declaration

```
long mpiControlFlashConfigSet(MPIControl        control,
                              void              *flash,
                              MPIControlConfig  *config,
                              void              *external)
```

Required Header

stdmpi.h

Description

ControlFlashConfigSet sets (writes) the flash configuration of a Control object (***control***), using data from the structure pointed to by ***config***, and also using data from the implementation-specific structure pointed to by ***external*** (if ***external*** is not NULL).

The Control's flash configuration information in ***external*** is in addition to the Control's flash configuration information in config, i.e., the flash configuration information in ***config*** and in ***external*** is not the same information. Note that ***config*** or ***external*** can be NULL (but not both NULL).

XMP Only

external either points to a structure of type **MEIControlConfig{}** or is NULL. flash is either an MEIFlash handle or MPIHandleVOID. If ***flash*** is MPIHandleVOID, an MEIFlash object will be created and deleted internally.

Sample Code

```
/*
  Write a value to element index of the user buffer.
  Make sure to save topology to flash before doing this.
*/
void write2UserBufferFlash(MPIControl control, long value, long index)
{
  MPIControlConfig config;
     MEIControlConfig external;
     long returnValue;

     if((index < MEIXmpUserDataSize) && (index >= 0))
     {
         /* Make sure to save topology to flash before doing this */
         returnValue = mpiControlFlashConfigGet(control,
               MPIHandleVOID,
               &config,
               &external);
         msgCHECK(returnValue);

         external.UserBuffer.Data[index] = value;

         returnValue = mpiControlFlashConfigSet(control,
               MPIHandleVOID,
```

```
                &config,
                &external);
            msgCHECK(returnValue);
        }
    }
```

Return Values

MPIMessageOK	if *ControlFlashConfigSet* successfully sets (writes) the Control's flash configuration using data from the structure(s)

See Also

MEIFlash | mpiControlFlashConfigGet | | MEIControlConfig

meiControlFPGADefaultGet

Declaration

```
long meiFPGADefaultGet(MPIControl              control,
                       MEIPlatformSocketInfo   *socketInfo,
                       MEIControlFPGA          *fpga)
```

Required Header

stdmei.h

Description

FPGADefaultGet creates a default FPGA filename based on the ***socketInfo***.

control	a handle to the Control object
***socketInfo**	tells the function which type of FPGA is physically on the board.
***fpga**	a pointer to a MEIControlFPGA object that contains a string that is the filename. To get the proper ***fpga***, pass in ***control*** and valid ***socketInfo***.

Return Values

MPIMessageOK	if *ControlFPGADefaultGet* successfully gets creates a default FPGA filename.

See Also

MEIControlFPGA

meiControlFPGADefaultOverride

Declaration

```
long meiFPGADefaultOverride(MPIControl              control,
                            MEIControlFPGA          *fpga,
                            const char              *overrideFile,
                            MEIPlatformSocketInfo   *socketInfo)
```

Required Header

stdmei.h

Description

FPGADefaultOverride checks to see if the ***socketInfo*** fits the board's physical configuration. If so, the FPGA filename is replaced with the ***overrideFile***. This allows the user to specify FPGA files instead of using the MPI's default FPGA file.

control	a handle to the Control object.
***fpga**	a pointer to MEIControlFPGA struct that contains the current file name string.
***overrideFile**	is a character string that contains a desired filename.
***socketInfo**	is a pointer to valid socket information.

Return Values

MPIMessageOK	if *ControlFPGAOverride* successfully replaces the default FPGA file with the desired overrideFile.

See Also

MEIControlFPGA

meiControlGateGet

Declaration

```
long meiControlGateGet(MPIControl control,
                       long       gate,
                       long       *closed)
```

Required Header

stdmei.h

Description

ControlGateGet gets the closed state (TRUE or FALSE) from the specified control gate (0 to 31).

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlGateGet* successfully gets (reads) the state from the control gate and puts it into closed.

See Also

meiControlGateSet

meiControlGateSet

Declaration

```
long meiControlGateSet(MPIControl control,
                       long       gate,
                       long       closed)
```

Required Header stdmei.h

Description **ControlGateSet** sets the closed state (TRUE or FALSE) for the specified control gate (0 to 31).

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlGateSet* successfully sets (writes) the closed state into the control gate.

See Also meiControlGateGet

meiControlInfo

Declaration

```
long  meiControlInfo(MPIControl       control,
                     MEIControlInfo   *info);
```

Required Header

stdmei.h

Description

ControlInfo retrieves information about an MEI motion controller.

control	a handle to the Control object
***info**	a pointer to MEIControlInfo that gets completed with the appropriate controller information.

Return Values

MPIMessageOK	If meiControlInfo successfully retrieves the controller information.
MPIHandleVOID	if ***control*** is invalid

See Also

mpiControlIoGet

Declaration

```
long mpiControlIoGet(MPIControl      control,
                     MPIControlIo    *io);
```

Required Header

stdmpi.h

Description

ControlIoGet reads the states of a controller's digital inputs and writes them into a structure pointed to by ***io***. Some controller models have local digital I/O. Please see the controller hardware documentation for details.

control	a handle to a Control object
***io**	a pointer to a structure containing the digital input and output values.

Return Values

MPIMessageOK	if *ControlIoGet* successfully gets the I/O bits from controller and puts (writes) them in the structure.
MPIMessageARG_INVALID	if the *io* pointer points to NULL.

See Also

mpiControlIoSet | MPIControlInput | MPIControlOutput

mpiControlIoSet

Declaration

```
long mpiControlIoGet(MPIControl control,
                     MPIControlIo *io);
```

Required Header stdmpi.h

Description **ControlIoSet** writes the states of a controller's digital I/O using data from a structure pointed to by ***io***. Some controller models have local digital I/O. Please see the controller hardware documentation for details.

control	a handle to a Control object
***io**	a pointer to a structure containing the digital input and output values.

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlIoSet* successfully gets the I/O bits from controller and puts (writes) them in the structure

See Also mpiControlIoGet | MPIControlInput | MPIControlOutput

meiControlIoBitGet

Declaration

```
meiControlIoBitGet(MPIControl          control,
                   MEIControlIoBit     bit,
                   long                *value);
```

Required Header

stdmpi.h

Description

ControlIoBitGet reads the state of a controller digital input bit and writes it into a long pointed to by ***value***. Some controller models have local digital I/O. Please see the controller hardware documentation for details

control	a handle to the Control object
bit	an enumerated bit number
***value**	a pointer to a long. The value contains the state of the bit.

Return Values

MPIMessageOK	if *ControlIoBitGet* successfully gets the Control configuration and writes it into the structure(s).

See Also

meiControlIoBitSet | MEIControlIoBit

meiControlIoBitSet

Declaration

```
meiControlIoBitSet(MPIControl          control,
                   MEIControlIoBit     bit,
                   long                *value);
```

Required Header

stdmpi.h

Description

ControlIoBitSet writes the state of a controller digital output bit using data from a value pointed to by a long. Some controller models have local digital I/O. Please see the controller hardware documentation for details

control	a handle to the Control object
bit	an enumerated bit number
***value**	a pointer to a long. The value contains the state of the bit.

Return Values

MPIMessageOK	if *ControlIoBitSet* successfully sets the Control configuration and writes it into the structure(s).

See Also

meiControlIoBitGet | MEIControlIoBit

meiControlSampleCounter

Declaration

```
long meiControlSampleCounter(MPIControl control,
                             long *sampleCounter)
```

Required Header stdmei.h

Description

ControlSampleCounter writes the number of servo cycles (samples) that have occured since the last sample counter reset/rollover, to the ***sampleCounter*** . When the user resets the controller, the sample counter will also be reset. Since the sample counter is a long, if the sample counter is 2147483647 it will roll over on the next servo cycle to -2147483648.

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if the sample counter could be read

See Also meiControlSecondstoSamples | meiControlSamplestoSeconds | meiControlSampleWait

meiControlSamplesToSeconds

Declaration

```
long meiControlSamplesToSeconds(MPIControl control,
                                long       samples,
                                float      *seconds)
```

Required Header stdmei.h

Description **ControlSamplesToSeconds** writes to seconds the number of seconds it takes to process samples number of ***samples*** (at the current sample rate). Use this function to convert samples to ***seconds***.

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlSampleToSeconds* successfully converts the samples to seconds.

See Also meiControlSecondstoSamples | meiControlSampleCounter

meiControlSampleWait

Declaration

```
long meiControlSampleWait(MPIControl control,
                          long       count)
```

Required Header stdmpi.h

Description **ControlSampleWait** waits for ***count*** samples while the XMP motion controller (associated with ***control***) executes. While the host waits, the host gives up its time slice and continuously verifies that the XMP firmware is operational.

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlSampleWait* successfully waits for count samples while the XMP motion controller executes

See Also meiControlSamplestoSeconds | meiControlSecondstoSamples | meiControlSampleCounter |

meiControlSecondstoSamples

Declaration

```
long meiControlSecondsToSamples(MPIControl control,
                                float      seconds,
                                long       *samples)
```

Required Header stdmei.h

Description **ControlSecondsToSamples** writes to samples the number of servo cycles that will take place in seconds number of ***seconds*** (at the current sample rate). Use this function to convert seconds to ***samples***.

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlSecondsToSamples* successfully converts the seconds to samples.

See Also meiControlSamplestoSeconds | meiControlSampleCounter | meiControlSampleWait

mpiControlType

Declaration

```
long mpiControlType(MPIControl     control,
                    MPIControlType *type)
```

Required Header

stdmpi.h

Description

When a Control object (***control***) is created, a type is used. **ControlType** writes this type to the contents of ***type***.

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlType* successfully gets the type (used when ***control*** was created) to the contents of ***type***

See Also

mpiControlMemory

Declaration

```
long mpiControlMemory(MPIControl control,
                      void       **memory,
                      void       **external)
```

Required Header

stdmpi.h

Description

ControlMemory sets (writes) an address (used to access a Control object's memory) to the contents of ***memory***.

If ***external*** is not NULL, the contents of ***external*** are set to an implementation-specific address that typically points to a different section or type of Control memory other than ***memory*** (e.g., to external or off-chip memory). These addresses (or addresses calculated from them) are passed as the src argument to mpiControlMemoryGet(...) and the dst argument to mpiControlMemorySet(...).

Sample Code

```
/* Simple code to increment userbuffer[0] */
        MEIXmpData      *firmware;
        MEIXmpBufferData *buffer;

        long returnValue, tempBuffer;

        /* Get memory pointers */
        returnValue =
                mpiControlMemory(control,
                &firmware,
                &buffer);
        msgCHECK(returnValue);

        returnValue = mpiControlMemoryGet(control,
                &tempBuffer,
                &buffer->UserBuffer.Data[0],
                sizeof(buffer->UserBuffer.Data[0]));
        msgCHECK(returnValue);

        tempBuffer++;

        returnValue = mpiControlMemorySet(control,
                &buffer->UserBuffer.Data[0],
                &tempBuffer,
                sizeof(buffer->UserBuffer.Data[0]));
        msgCHECK(returnValue);
```

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlMemory* successfully writes the address(es) (used to access Control memory, and optionally to access another section of Control memory) to the contents of ***memory*** (and to ***external***, if ***external*** is not Null)

See Also

mpiControlMemoryGet | mpiControlMemorySet | mpiControlMemoryAlloc | mpiControlMemoryCount | mpiControlMemoryFree

mpiControlMemoryAlloc

Declaration

```
long mpiControlMemoryAlloc(MPIControl           control,
                           MPIControlMemoryType type,
                           long                 count,
                           void                 **memory)
```

Required Header stdmpi.h

Description **ControlMemoryAlloc** allocates ***count*** bytes of firmware memory [of type ***type*** on a Control object (***control***)] and writes the host address (of the allocated firmware memory) to the location pointed to by ***memory***.

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlMemoryAlloc* successfully allocates firmware memory and writes the host address of that firmware memory to *memory*.

See Also mpiControlMemoryGet | mpiControlMemorySet | mpiControlMemory | mpiControlMemoryCount | mpiControlMemoryFree

mpiControlMemoryCount

Declaration

```
long mpiControlMemoryCount(MPIControl          control,
                           MPIControlMemoryType type,
                           long                *count)
```

Required Header control.h

Description **ControlMemoryCount** writes the number of bytes of firmware memory [on a Control object (***control***, of type ***type***) that are available to be allocated] to the location pointed to by ***count***.

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlMemoryCount* successfully writes the number of bytes of firmware memory (that are available to be allocated) to *count*.

See Also

mpiControlMemoryFree

Declaration

```
long mpiControlMemoryFree(MPIControl           control,
                          MPIControlMemoryType type,
                          long                 count,
                          void                 *memory)
```

Required Header stdmpi.h

Description **ControlMemoryFree** frees ***count*** bytes of firmware memory on a Control object (***control***, of type ***type***) starting at host address ***memory***.

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlMemoryAlloc* successfully frees ***count*** bytes of firmware memory on a Control object

See Also mpiControlMemoryGet | mpiControlMemorySet | mpiControlMemoryAlloc | mpiControlMemoryCount | mpiControlMemory

mpiControlMemoryGet

Declaration

```
long mpiControlMemoryGet(MPIControl control,
                         void       *dst,
                         void       *src,
                         long       count)
```

Required Header

stdmpi.h

Description

ControlMemoryGet gets ***count*** bytes of ***control*** memory (starting at address ***src***) and puts (writes) them in application memory (starting at address ***dst***).

Sample Code

```
/* Simple code to increment userbuffer[0] */
        MEIXmpData      *firmware;
        MEIXmpBufferData *buffer;

        long returnValue, tempBuffer;

        /* Get memory pointers */
        returnValue =
                mpiControlMemory(control,
                &firmware,
                &buffer);
        msgCHECK(returnValue);

        returnValue = mpiControlMemoryGet(control,
                &tempBuffer,
                &buffer->UserBuffer.Data[0],
                sizeof(buffer->UserBuffer.Data[0]));
        msgCHECK(returnValue);

        tempBuffer++;

        returnValue = mpiControlMemorySet(control,
                &buffer->UserBuffer.Data[0],
                &tempBuffer,
                sizeof(buffer->UserBuffer.Data[0]));
        msgCHECK(returnValue);
```

Return Values

MPIMessageOK	if *ControlMemoryGet* successfully gets ***count*** bytes of ***control*** memory and puts (writes) them in application memory

See Also

mpiControlMemorySet | mpiControlMemory | mpiControlMemoryAlloc | mpiControlMemoryCount | mpiControlMemoryFree

mpiControlMemorySet

Declaration

```
long mpiControlMemorySet(MPIControl control,
                         void       *dst,
                         void       *src,
                         long       count)
```

Required Header

stdmpi.h

Description

ControlMemorySet sets (writes) ***count*** bytes of application memory (starting at address ***src***) to ***control*** memory (starting at address ***dst***).

Sample Code

```
/* Simple code to increment userbuffer[0] */
        MEIXmpData      *firmware;
        MEIXmpBufferData *buffer;

        long returnValue, tempBuffer;

        /* Get memory pointers */
        returnValue =
                mpiControlMemory(control,
                &firmware,
                &buffer);
        msgCHECK(returnValue);

        returnValue = mpiControlMemoryGet(control,
                &tempBuffer,
                &buffer->UserBuffer.Data[0],
                sizeof(buffer->UserBuffer.Data[0]));
        msgCHECK(returnValue);

        tempBuffer++;

        returnValue = mpiControlMemorySet(control,
                &buffer->UserBuffer.Data[0],
                &tempBuffer,
                sizeof(buffer->UserBuffer.Data[0]));
        msgCHECK(returnValue);
```

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlMemorySet* successfully sets (writes) count bytes of application memory to control memory

See Also

mpiControlMemoryGet | mpiControlMemory | mpiControlMemoryAlloc | mpiControlMemoryCount | mpiControlMemoryFree

meiControlPlatform

Declaration

```
MEIPlatform  meiControlPlatform(MPIControl  control)
```

Required Header

stdmei.h

Description

ControlPlatform returns a handle to the Platform object with which the control is associated.

control	a handle to the Control object

Return Values

MPIPlatform	handle to a Platform object
MPIHandleVOID	if ***control*** is invalid

See Also

mpiControlCreate

meiControlCycleWait

Declaration

```
long meiControlCycleWait(MPIControl control,
                         long       count)
```

Required Header

stdmei.h

Description

ControlCycleWait waits for the XMP motion controller (***control***) to execute for count background cycles. The host will continuously verify that the XMP firmware is operational, and the host will give up its time slice as it waits (for the controller to execute the background cycles).

Return Values

MPIMessageOK	after the motion controller successfully executes for ***count*** cycles

See Also

mpiControlInit

mpiControlInit

Declaration

```
long mpiControlInit(MPIControl   control)
```

Required Header stdmpi.h

Description **ControlInit** initializes the motion control device ***control***. ControlInit must be called at least once after a control object has been created and before any other **mpiControl** methods are called [with the exception of mpiControlDelete(...)].

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlInit* successfully initializes the motion control device control

See Also mpiControlDelete

mpiControlInterruptEnable

Declaration

```
long mpiControlInterruptEnable(MPIControl control,
                               long       enable)
```

Required Header stdmpi.h

Description

If “enable” is **TRUE**, then **ControlInterruptEnable** **enables** interrupts from the motion controller.

If "enable" is **FALSE**, then **ControlInterruptEnable** **disables** interrupts from the motion controller.

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlInterruptEnable* successfully enables (or disables) interrupts from the motion controller

See Also mpiControlInteruptWait | mpiControlInteruptWake

mpiControlInterruptWait

Declaration

```
long mpiControlInterruptWait(MPIControl  control,
                             long        *interrupted,
                             MPIWait     timeout)
```

Required Header

stdmpi.h

Description

ControlInterruptWait waits for an interrupt from the motion controller if interrupts are enabled.

After the ControlInterruptWait method returns, if the location pointed to by ***interrupted*** contains **TRUE**, then an interrupt has occurred.

After the ControlInterruptWait method returns, if the location pointed to by ***interrupted*** contains **FALSE**, then no interrupt has occurred, and the return of ControlInterruptWait was caused either by a call to **mpiControlInterruptWake(...).**

If ***timeout*** is **MPIWaitPOLL (0)**, then *ControlInterruptWait* will return immediately.

If ***timeout*** is **MPIWaitFOREVER (-1)**, then *ControlInterruptWait* will wait forever for an interrupt.

Otherwise, *ControlInterruptWait* will wait ***timeout*** milliseconds for an interrupt.

NOTE: For Windows operating systems, only **MPIWaitPOLL** and **MPIWaitFOREVER** are valid timeout values.

Return Values

MPIMessageOK	if *ControlInterruptWait* waits for an interrupt from the motion controller
MPIMessageTIMEOUT	if *ControlInterruptWait* did not receive an interrupt within ***timeout*** ms.

See Also

mpiControlInterruptWake | mpiControlInteruptEnable

mpiControlInterruptWake

Declaration

```
long mpiControlInterruptWake(MPIControl control)
```

Required Header

stdmpi.h

Description

ControlInterruptWake wakes all threads waiting for an interrupt from the motion controller ***control*** [as a result of a call to mpiControlInterruptWait(...)]. The waking thread(s) will return from the call with no interrupt indicated.

Return Values

MPIMessageOK	if *ControlInterruptWake* successfully wakes all threads waiting for an interrupt from the motion controller

See Also

mpiControlInterruptWait | mpiControlInteruptEnable

mpiControlReset

Declaration

```
long mpiControlReset(MPIControl control)
```

Required Header

stdmpi.h

Description

ControlReset resets the motion controller (***control***) board.

Return Values	
MPIMessageOK	if *ControlReset* successfully resets the motion controller board

See Also

meiControlVersionMismatchOveride

Declaration

```
long meiControlVersionMismatchOveride(MPIControl control);
```

Required Header

stdmei.h

Description

ControlMismatchOveride overrides the version mismatch between the MPI and the Xmp.

This function is reserved for MEI use only and should not be used by a customer.

Return Values

MPIMessageOK	if the motion controller successfully overrides the version mismatch between the MPI and the Xmp.

See Also

MPIControlAddress

MPIControlAddress

```
typedef struct MPIControlAddress {
    long    number;   /* controller number */

    union {
        void                    *mapped;  /* memory address */
        unsigned long           ioPort;   /* I/O port number */
        char                    *device;  /* device driver name */
        struct {
            char                *name;    /* image file name */
            MPIControlFileType  type;     /* image file type */
        } file;
        struct {
            char    *server;  /* IP address: host.domain.com */
            long    port;     /* socket number */
        } client;
    } type;
} MPIControlAddress;
```

Description

ControlAddress is a structure that specifies the location of the controller that to be accessed when mpiControlCreate() is called. Please refer to the documentation for mpiControlCreate() to see how to use this structure.

number	The controller number in the computer
type	A union that holds information about controllers on non-local computers.

See Also

MPIControl | MPIControlType | mpiControlCreate

MPIControlConfig / MEIControlConfig

MPIControlConfig

```
typedef struct MPIControlConfig {
    long   axisCount;
    long   axisFrameCount[MPIControlMAX_AXES];
    long   captureCount;
    long   compareCount;
    long   compensatorCount;
    long   compensatorPointCount[MPIControlMAX_COMPENSATORS];
    long   cmdDacCount;
    long   auxDacCount;
    long   filterCount;
    long   motionCount;
    long   motorCount;
    long   recorderCount;
    long   recordCount[MPIControlMAX_RECORDERS];
    long   sequenceCount;
    long   userVersion;
    long   sampleRate;

} MPIControlConfig;
```

Description

The **ControlConfig** structure specifies the controller configurations. It allocates the number of resources and configurations for the controller's operation. The controller's performance is inversely related to the DSP's load. The controller configuration structure allows the user to disable/enable objects for optimum performance.

For SynqNet controllers, changing the sampleRate or TxTime will cause the SynqNet network to be shutdown and re-initialized using the new sampleRate or TxTime values.

axisCount	Number of axis objects enabled for the controller. The controller's axis object handles the trajectory calculations for command position. For simple systems, set the *axisCount* equal to the *motorCount*.

axisFrameCount[]	An array of the number of frames for each axis frame buffer. Each frame is the size of MEIXmpFrame. The controller's frame buffers are dynamically allocated by changing the axisFrameCount. The default axisFrameCount is reasonable for most applications. A larger frame buffer may be required for long multi-point or cam motion profiles. The valid range is from 16 to the available memory. Use meiControlExtMemAvail(...) to determine the controller's available memory. Be sure to leave some free memory for potential future features.
captureCount	Number of capture objects enabled for the controller. The controller supports up to 16 captures. The controller's capture object manages the hardware resources to latch a motor's position feedback, triggered by a motor's input.
compareCount	Number of compare objects enabled for the controller. The controller's compare object manages the hardware resources to trigger a motor's output, triggered by a comparison between the motor's feedback and a pre-loaded position value.
compensatorCount	This value defines the number of enabled compensators.
compensatorPointCount	The number of points in the compensation table for each compensator. See Determining Required Compensator Table Size for more information. An array of the number of points in the compensation table for each compensator. Each point is 32bits. The controller's compensation tables are dynamically allocated by changing the *compensatorPointCount*. When using compensator objects, see Determining Required Compensator Table Size for more information on a proper value for the point count.
cmdDacCount	Number of command DACs (digital to analog converter) enabled for the controller. The controller's cmdDac transmits and scales a torque demand value to a SynqNet servo drive or a physical DAC circuit. There is one cmdDac per motor. Normally, the cmdDacCount should be equal to the motorCount.
auxDacCount	Number of auxilliary DACs (digital to analog converter) enabled for the controller. The controller's auxDac transmits and scales a torque demand value to a SynqNet servo drive or a physical DAC circuit. Auxilliary DACs can be used for sinusoidal motor commutation, where the cmdDac and auxDac provide the commutation phases. Or, auxilliary DACs can be used for general purpose analog outputs. There is one auxDac per motor.
filterCount	Number of filter objects enabled for a controller. The filter object handles the closed-loop servo calculations to control the motor. For simple systems, set the filterCount equal to the motorCount.

motionCount	Number of motion supervisor obejcts enabled for a controller. The controller's motion supervisor handles coordination of motion and events for an axis or group of axes. For simple systems, set the motionCount equal to the axisCount.
motorCount	Number of motor objects enabled for a controller. The controller's motor object handles the interface to the servo or stepper drive, dedicated I/O and general purpose motor related I/O. For simple systems, the motorCount should equal the number of physical motors connected to the controller (either directly or via SynqNet).
recorderCount	Number of data recorder objects enabled for a controller. The controller's recorder object handles collecting and buffering any data in controller memory. The enabled data recorders can collect up to a total of 32 addresses each sample. The valid range for the recordCount is 0 to 32.
recordCount	An array of the number of records for each data recorder buffer. Each data record is 32 bits. The controller's data recorder buffers can be dynamically allocated by changing the recordCount. A larger data recorder buffer may be required for higher sample rates, slow host computers, when running via client/server, or when a large number of data fields are being recorded. The valid range is 0 to the available memory. Use meiControlExtMemAvail(…) to determine the controller's available external memory.
sequenceCount	Number of sequence objects enabled for the controller. The controller's sequence object executes and manages a sequence of pre-compiled controller commands.
userVersion	A 32 bit user defined field. The userVersion can be used to mark a firmware image with an identifier. This is useful if multiple controller firmware images are saved to a file.
sampleRate	Number of controller foreground update cycles per second. For SynqNet controllers, this is also the cyclic update rate for the SynqNet network. During the controller's foreground cycle, the axis trajectories are calculated, the filters (closed-loop servo control) are calculated, motion is coordinated, the SynqNet data buffers are updated, and other time critical operations are performed.The default sample rate is 2000 (period = 500 microseconds). The minimum sampleRate for SynqNet systems is 1000 (period = 1 millisecond). The maximum is dependent on the controller hardware and processing load. There are several factors that must be considered to find an appropriate sampleRate for a system. The servo performance, the motion profile accuracy, the SynqNet network cyclic rate, the SynqNet drive update rates, controller background cycle update rate, and controller/application performance. For SynqNet systems, select a sampleRate that is a common multiple of the SynqNet drives connected to the network. For example, if the drive update rate is 8kHz, then appropriate controller sample rates are: 16000, 8000, 5333, 4000, 3200, 2667, 2286, 2000, 1778, 1600, 1455,

	1333, 1231, 1067, and 1000

MEIControlConfig

```
typedef struct MEIControlConfig {
    long                preFilterCount;
    long                TxTime;
    MEIXmpPreFilter     PreFilter[MEIXmpMAX_PreFilters];
    MEIXmpUserBuffer    UserBuffer;
} MEIControlConfig;
```

Description

preFilterCount	This value defines the number of enabled pre-filters.
TxTime	This value determines the controller's transmit time for the SynqNet data. The units are a percentage of the sample period. The default is 75%. Smaller TxTime values will reduce the latency between when the controller receives the data, calculates the outputs, and transmits the data. If the TxTime is too small, the data will be sent before the controller updates the buffer, which will cause a TX_FAILURE event.
PreFilter	This array defines the configuration for each pre-filter.
UserBuffer	This structure defines the controller's user buffer. This is used for custom features that require a controller data buffer.

Sample Code

```
/*
  Write a value to element index of the user buffer.
  Make sure to save topology to flash before doing this.
*/
void write2UserBufferFlash(MPIControl control, long value, long index)
{
  MPIControlConfig config;
     MEIControlConfig external;
     long returnValue;

     if((index < MEIXmpUserDataSize) && (index >= 0))
     {
         /* Make sure to save topology to flash before doing this */
         returnValue = mpiControlFlashConfigGet(control,
               MPIHandleVOID,
               &config,
               &external);
         msgCHECK(returnValue);
```

```
            external.UserBuffer.Data[index] = value;

            returnValue = mpiControlFlashConfigSet(control,
                  MPIHandleVOID,
                  &config,
                  &external);
            msgCHECK(returnValue);
      }
}
```

See Also mpiControlConfigGet | mpiControlConfigSet | meiControlExtMemAvail | Dynamic Allocation of External Memory Buffers

MEIControlInfo

MEIControlInfo

```
typedef struct MEIControlInfo {
    MEIControlInfoMpi        mpi;
    MEIControlInfoFirmware   firmware;
    MEIControlInfoPld        pld;
    MEIControlInfoRincon     rincon;
    MEIControlInfoHardware   hardware;
    MEIControlInfoDriver     driver;
}MEIControlInfo;
```

Description

ControlInfo contains the information about the motion controller being used.

mpi	Information about the MPI software located on the host computer.
firmware	Information about the Firmware running on the controller.
pld	Information about the PLD located in the controller.
rincon	Information about the Rincon FPGA located on the controller.
hardware	Production information about the hardware stored in the controller.
driver	Information about the Driver, running on the host, used to interface with the controller.

See Also

MEIControlInfoDriver

Declaration

```
typedef struct MEIControlInfoDriver {
   char   version[MEIControlSTRING_MAX];
} MEIControlInfoDriver;
```

Required Header

stdmei.h

Description

ControlInfoDriver is a structure that contains the version information of the connected hardware.

version	The version of the Driver the host uses to interface with the controller.

See Also

MEIControlInfoFirmware

Declaration

```
typedef struct MEIControlInfoFirmware {
   long  version;     /* MEIXmpVERSION_EXTRACT(SoftwareID) */
   long  option;      /* MEIXmpOPTION_EXTRACT(Option) */
   char  revision;    /* ('A' - 1) + MEIXmpREVISION_EXTRACT(SoftwareID) */
   long  subRevision; /* MEIXmpSUB_REV_EXTRACT(Option) */
   long  branchId;
} MEIControlInfoFirmware;
```

Required Header

stdmei.h

Description

ControlInfoFirmware is a structure that contains read-only version information for the firmware running in the controller.

version	The major version number for the controller's firmware. To be compatible with the MPI library, this number must match the fwVersion in the MEIControlInfoMpi structure.
option	The firmware option number. Special or custom firmware is given a unique option number. An application or user can identify optional firmware from this value.
revision	The minor version number for the controller's firmware. Indicates a minor change or bug fix to the firmware code.
subRevision	The micro version value for the controller's firmware. Indicates a very minor change or bug fix to the firmware code.
branchId	Identifies an intermediate branch software revision. The branch value is represented as a hex number between 0x00000000 and 0xFFFFFFFF. Each digit represents an instance of a branch (0x1 to 0xF). A single digit represents a single branch from a specific version, two digits represent a branch of a branch, three digits represent a branch of a branch of a branch, etc.

See Also

MEIControlInfoMPI

MEIControlInfoHardware

Declaration

```
typedef struct MEIControlInfoHardware {
   char   modelNumber[MEIControlSTRING_MAX];
   char   serialNumber[MEIControlSTRING_MAX];
   char   type[MEIControlSTRING_MAX];
} MEIControlInfoHardware;
```

Required Header

stdmei.h

Description

ControlInfoHardware is a structure that contains the version information of the connected hardware.

modelNumber	The Controller's model number or t-level number (ex: T001-0001) which is stored on the hardware.
seriallNumber	The Controller's serial number, which is unique to each controller.
type	The type of Controller (XMP or ZMP).

See Also

MEIControlInfoMpi

Declaration

```
typedef struct MEIControlInfoMpi {
   char      version[MEIControlSTRING_MAX];
   long      fwVersion;
   long      fwOption;
} MEIControlInfoMpi;
```

Required Header

stdmei.h

Description

ControlInfoMpi is a structure that contains read-only version information for the MPI.

version	A string representing the version of the MPI. The version of the MPI is broken down by date, branch, and revision (MPIVersion.branch.revision). For ex: 20021220.1.2 means MPI version 20021220, branch 1, revision 2.
fwVersion	The firmware version information that the current version of the MPI will work with. A new field has been added to the XMP's firmware to identify and differentiate between intermediate branch software revisions. The branch value is represented as a hex number between 0x00000000 and 0xFFFFFFFF. Each digit represents an instance of a branch (0x1 to 0xF). A single digit represents a single branch from a specific version, two digits represent a branch of a branch, three digits represent a branch of a branch of a branch, etc.
fwOption	The firmware option number. Special or custom firmware is given a unique option number. An MPI library that requires optional firmware will have a value that must match the firmware's option number.

See Also

MEIControlInfoFirmware | MEIControlInfo

MEIControlInfoPld

Declaration

```
typedef struct MEIControlInfoPld {
   char   version[MEIControlSTRING_MAX];
   char   option[MEIControlSTRING_MAX];
} MEIControlInfoPld;
```

Required Header

stdmei.h

Description

ControlInfoPld is a read-only structure that contains PLD version information. The PLD is a hardware component that contains logic to handle the controller's internal operation.

version	This is an 8-bit value in the hardware. The version string for the PLD. The PLD image is downloaded to the controller during manufacturing.
option	This is a 16-bit value (actually 2 8 bit values) in the hardware. The build option string for the PLD. The PLD option number is a coded value that describes the PLD image build type and target component. For XMP controllers, the option field has bits defining various features on the PCB - for example, the presence of the CAN interface, or the type of FPGA on the PCB.

See Also

MEIControlInfo

MEIControlInfoRincon

Declaration

```
typedef struct MEIControlInfoRincon {
   char   version[MEIControlSTRING_MAX];
   char   package[MEIControlSTRING_MAX];
} MEIControlInfoRincon;
```

Required Header

stdmei.h

Description

ControlInfoRincon is a structure that contains read-only version information for the controller's Rincon image. The Rincon image contains the logic to operate a controller's SynqNet interface.

version	This is a 16-bit value in the hardware. The version string for the Rincon image on the controller.
package	This is a 16-bit value in the hardware. The package string identification for the Rincon. The package string is a coded value that describes the Rincon image build type and target component. Existing types are: **9201** - Rincon for XMP, XC2S100, PQ208 package **9601** - Rincon for XMP, XC2S100, FG256 package **A102** - RinconZ for ZMP, XC2S300E, FT256 package **A301** - RinconZ for ZMP, XC3S200, FT256 package The package and version data can be used to create the FPGA filename. For example, 221_9201.fpg is Rincon type 9201, version 221.

See Also

MEIControlInfo

MEIControlInput

MEIControlInput

```
typedef enum {
    MEIControlInputUSER_0   = MEIXmpControlIOMaskUSER0_IN,
    MEIControlInputUSER_1   = MEIXmpControlIOMaskUSER1_IN,
    MEIControlInputUSER_2   = MEIXmpControlIOMaskUSER2_IN,
    MEIControlInputUSER_3   = MEIXmpControlIOMaskUSER3_IN,
    MEIControlInputUSER_4   = MEIXmpControlIOMaskUSER4_IN,
    MEIControlInputUSER_5   = MEIXmpControlIOMaskUSER5_IN,
    MEIControlInputXESTOP   = MEIXmpControlIOMaskXESTOP,
} MEIControlInput;
```

Description

ControlInput is an enumeration of a controller's local digital input bit masks. Each mask represents a discrete input.

See Also

mpiControlIoGet | mpiControlIoSet | MEIControlOutput

MPIControlIo

MPIControlIo

```
typedef struct MPIControlIo {
    unsigned long   input[MPIControlIoWords];
    unsigned long   output[MPIControlIoWords]
} MPIControlIo;
```

Description

The **ControlIo** structure contains controller's local digital input and output states. The digital inputs can be read and the digital outputs can be read or written through this structure.

input	An array of digital input values. Each bit mask is defined by the MEIControlInput enumeration.
output	An array of digital output values. Each bit mask is defined by the MEIControlOutput enumeration.

See Also

MEIControlOutput | MEIControlInput | mpiControlIoGet | mpiControlIoSet

MEIControlIoBit

Declaration

```
typedef enum {

    MEIControlIoBitUSER_0_IN,
    MEIControlIoBitUSER_1_IN,
    MEIControlIoBitUSER_2_IN,
    MEIControlIoBitUSER_3_IN,
    MEIControlIoBitUSER_4_IN,
    MEIControlIoBitUSER_5_IN,
    MEIControlIoBitUSER_0_OUT,
    MEIControlIoBitUSER_1_OUT,
    MEIControlIoBitUSER_2_OUT,
    MEIControlIoBitUSER_3_OUT,
    MEIControlIoBitUSER_4_OUT,
    MEIControlIoBitUSER_5_OUT,

} MEIControlIoBit;
```

Required Header

stdmpi.h

Description

ControlIoBit is an enumeration of a controller's local digital I/O bit numbers.

MEIControlIoBitUSER_0_IN	controller's local input, bit number 0
MEIControlIoBitUSER_1_IN	controller's local input, bit number 1
MEIControlIoBitUSER_2_IN	controller's local input, bit number 2
MEIControlIoBitUSER_3_IN	controller's local input, bit number 3
MEIControlIoBitUSER_4_IN	controller's local input, bit number 4
MEIControlIoBitUSER_5_IN	controller's local input, bit number 5
MEIControlIoBitUSER_0_OUT	controller's local output, bit number 0
MEIControlIoBitUSER_1_OUT	controller's local output, bit number 1
MEIControlIoBitUSER_2_OUT	controller's local output, bit number 2
MEIControlIoBitUSER_3_OUT	controller's local output, bit number 3
MEIControlIoBitUSER_4_OUT	controller's local output, bit number 4
MEIControlIoBitUSER_5_OUT	controller's local output, bit number 5

Return Values

MPIMessageOK	if *ControlIoGet* successfully gets the I/O bits from controller and puts (writes) them in the structure.
MPIMessageARG_INVALID	if the *io* pointer points to NULL.

See Also

meiControlIoBitGet | meiControlIoBitSet

MPIControlIoWords

MPIControlIoWords

```
#define  MPIControlIoWords   (1)
```

Description

ControlIoWords defines the number of 32 bit Input and Output words on the controller.

See Also

MPIControlIo | MEIControlIoBit | MEIControlInput | MEIControlOutput

MPIControlMemoryType

MPIControlMemoryType

```
typedef enum {
    MPIControlMemoryTypeUSER,
    MPIControlMemoryTypeDEFAULT = MPIControlMemoryTypeUSER
} MPIControlMemoryType;
```

Description

ControlMemoryType is an enumeration of controller memory types. The controller memory contains static and dynamic regions. The controller firmware defines the regions and the MPI configures the dynamic memory.

MPIControlMemoryTypeUSER	The dynamic portion of the controller's external memory that is not in use by the controller.
MPIControlMemoryTypeDEFAULT	Defined as MPIControlMemoryTypeUSER.

See Also

mpiControlMemoryAlloc | mpiControlMemoryCount | mpiControlMemoryFree | mpiControlConfigGet | mpiControlConfigSet

MPIControlMessage / MEIControlMessage

MPIControlMessage

```
typedef enum {
    MPIControlMessageLIBRARY_VERSION,
    MPIControlMessageADDRESS_INVALID,
    MPIControlMessageCONTROL_INVALID,
    MPIControlMessageCONTROL_NUMBER_INVALID,
    MPIControlMessageTYPE_INVALID,
    MPIControlMessageINTERRUPTS_DISABLED,
    MPIControlMessageEXTERNAL_MEMORY_OVERFLOW,
    MPIControlMessageADC_COUNT_INVALID,
    MPIControlMessageAXIS_COUNT_INVALID,
    MPIControlMessageAXIS_FRAME_COUNT_INVALID,
    MPIControlMessageCAPTURE_COUNT_INVALID,
    MPIControlMessageCOMPARE_COUNT_INVALID,
    MPIControlMessageCMDDAC_COUNT_INVALID,
    MPIControlMessageAUXDAC_COUNT_INVALID,
    MPIControlMessageFILTER_COUNT_INVALID,
    MPIControlMessageMOTION_COUNT_INVALID,
    MPIControlMessageMOTOR_COUNT_INVALID,
    MPIControlMessageSAMPLE_RATE_TO_LOW,
    MPIControlMessageRECORDER_COUNT_INVALID,
    MPIControlMessageCOMPENSATOR_COUNT_INVALID,
    MPIControlMessageAXIS_RUNNING,
    MPIControlMessageRECORDER_RUNNING,
} MPIControlMessage;
```

Description

MPIControlMessageLIBRARY_VERSION

The MPI Library does not match the application. This message code is returned by mpiControlInit(…) if the MPI's library (DLL) version does not match the MPI header files that were compiled with the application. To correct this problem, the application must be recompiled using the same MPI software installation version that the application uses at run-time.

MPIControlMessageADDRESS_INVALID

The controller address is not valid. This message code is returned by mpiControlInit(…) if the controller address is not within a valid memory range. mpiControlInit(…) only requires memory addresses for certain operating systems. To correct this problem, verify the controller memory address.

MPIControlMessageCONTROL_INVALID

Currently not supported.

MPIControlMessageCONTROL_NUMBER_INVALID

The controller number is out of range. This message code is returned by mpiControlInit(…) if the controller number is less than zero or greater than or equal to MaxBoards(8).

MPIControlMessageTYPE_INVALID

The controller type is not valid. This message code is returned by mpiControlInit(…) if the controller type is not a member of the MPIControlType enumeration.

MPIControlMessageINTERRUPTS_DISABLED

The controller interrupt is disabled. This message code is returned by mpiControlInterruptWait(…) if the controller's interrupt is not enabled. This prevents an application from waiting for an interrupt that will never be generated. To correct this problem, enable controller interrupts with mpiControlInterruptEnable(…) before waiting for an interrupt.

MPIControlMessageEXTERNAL_MEMORY_OVERFLOW

The controller's external memory will overflow. This message code is returned by mpiControlConfigSet(…) if the dynamic memory allocation exceeds the external memory available on the controller. To correct the problem, reduce the number/size of control configuration resources or use a controller model with a larger static memory component.

MPIControlMessageADC_COUNT_INVALID

The ADC count is not valid. This message code is returned by mpiControlConfigSet(…) if the number of ADCs is greater than MEIXmpMAX_ADCs.

MPIControlMessageAXIS_COUNT_INVALID

The axis count is not valid. This message code is returned by mpiControlConfigSet(…) if the number of axes is greater than MEIXmpMAX_Axes.

MPIControlMessageAXIS_FRAME_COUNT_INVALID

This message is returned from mpiControlConfigSet(...) if the value for MPIControlConfig.axisFrameCount is not a power of two or if axisFrameCount is less than MPIControlMIN_AXIS_FRAME_COUNT.

MPIControlMessageCAPTURE_COUNT_INVALID

The capture count is not valid. This message code is returned by mpiControlConfigSet(…) if the number of captures is greater than MEIXmpMAX_Captures.

MPIControlMessageCOMPARE_COUNT_INVALID

The compare count is not valid. This message code is returned by mpiControlConfigSet(…) if the number of compares is greater than MEIXmpMAX_Compares.

MPIControlMessageCMDDAC_COUNT_INVALID

The command DAC count is not valid. This message code is returned by mpiControlConfigSet(…) if the number of command DACs is greater than MEIXmpMAX_DACs.

MPIControlMessageAUXDAC_COUNT_INVALID

The auxiliary DAC count is not valid. This message code is returned by mpiControlConfigSet(…) if the number of auxiliary DACs is greater than MEIXmpMAX_DACs.

MPIControlMessageFILTER_COUNT_INVALID

The filter count is not valid. This message code is returned by mpiControlConfigSet(…) if the number of filters is greater than MEIXmpMAX_Filters.

MPIControlMessageMOTION_COUNT_INVALID

The motion count is not valid. This message code is returned by mpiControlConfigSet(…) if the number of motions is greater than MEIXmpMAX_MSs.

MPIControlMessageMOTOR_COUNT_INVALID

The motor count is not valid. This message code is returned by mpiControlConfigSet(…) if the number of motors is greater than MEIXmpMAX_Motors.

MPIControlMessageSAMPLE_RATE_TO_LOW

The controller sample rate is too small. This message code is returned by mpiControlConfigSet(…) if the sample rate is less than 1000. SynqNet does not support cyclic data rates below 1kHz. The controller's sample rate specifies the SynqNet cyclic rate.

MPIControlMessageRECORDER_COUNT_INVALID

The recorder count is not valid. This message code is returned by mpiControlConfigSet(…) if the number of recorders is greater than MEIXmpMAX_Recorders.

MPIControlMessageCOMPENSATOR_COUNT_INVALID

The compensator count is not valid. This message code is returned by mpiControlConfigSet(…) if the number of compensators is greater than MPIControlMAX_COMPENSATORS.

MPIControlMessageAXIS_RUNNING

Attempting to configure the control object while axes are running. It is recommended that all configuration of the control object occur prior to commanding motion.

MPIControlMessageRECORDER_RUNNING

Attempting to configure the control object while a recorder is running. It is recommended that all configuration of the control object occur prior to operation of any recorder objects.

MEIControlMessage

```
typedef enum {
    MEIControlMessageFIRMWARE_INVALID,
    MEIControlMessageFIRMWARE_VERSION_NONE,
    MEIControlMessageFIRMWARE_VERSION,
    MEIControlMessageFPGA_SOCKETS,
    MEIControlMessageBAD_FPGA_SOCKET_DATA,
    MEIControlMessageNO_FPGA_SOCKET,
    MEIControlMessageINVALID_BLOCK_COUNT,
    MEIControlMessageSYNQNET_OBJECTS,
    MEIControlMessageSYNQNET_STATE,
    MEIControlMessageIO_BIT_INVALID,
} MEIControlMessage;
```

Description

MEIControlMessageFIRMWARE_INVALID

The controller firmware is not valid. This message code is returned by mpiControlInit(…) if the MPI library does not recognize the controller signature. After power-up or reset, the controller loads the firmware from flash memory. When the firmware executes, it writes a signature value into external memory. If mpiControlInit(…) does not recognize the signature, then the firmware did not execute properly. To correct this problem, download firmware and verify the controller hardware is working properly.

MEIControlMessageFIRMWARE_VERSION_NONE

The controller firmware version is zero. This message code is returned by control methods do not find a firmware version. This indicates the firmware did not execute at controller power-up or reset. To correct this problem, download firmware and verify the controller hardware is working properly.

MEIControlMessageFIRMWARE_VERSION

The controller firmware version does not match the software version. This message code is returned by control methods if the firmware version is not compatible with the MPI library. To correct this problem, either download compatible firmware or install a compatible MPI run-tim library.

MEIControlMessageFPGA_SOCKETS

The maximum number of FPGA socket types has been exceeded. This message code is returned by meiFlashMemoryFromFile(…) if the controller has more FPGA types than the controller has flash memory space to support them.

MEIControlMessageBAD_FPGA_SOCKET_DATA

Not supported.

MEIControlMessageNO_FPGA_SOCKET

The FPGA socket type does not exist. This message code is returned by meiFlashMemoryFromFile(…) if the controller does not support the FPGA type that was specified in the FPGA image file. To correct this problem, use a different FPGA image that is compatible with the controller.

MEIControlMessageINVALID_BLOCK_COUNT

Not supported.

MEIControlMessageSYNQNET_OBJECTS

Not supported.

MEIControlMessageSYNQNET_STATE

The controller's SynqNet state is not expected. This message code is returned by mpiControlInit(…), mpiControlReset(…) and mpiControlConfigSet(…) if the SynqNet network initialization fails to reach the SYNQ state. To correct this problem, check your node hardware and network connections.

MEIControlMessageIO_BIT_INVALID

The controller I/O bit is not valid. This message code is returned by meiControlIoBitGet(...) or meiControlIoBitSet(…) if the controller I/O bit is not a member of the MEIControlIoBit enumeration.

See Also

MEIControlOutput

MEIControlOutput

```
typedef enum {
    MEIControlOutputUSER_0  = MEIXmpControlIOMaskUSER0_OUT,
    MEIControlOutputUSER_1  = MEIXmpControlIOMaskUSER1_OUT,
    MEIControlOutputUSER_2  = MEIXmpControlIOMaskUSER2_OUT,
    MEIControlOutputUSER_3  = MEIXmpControlIOMaskUSER3_OUT,
    MEIControlOutputUSER_4  = MEIXmpControlIOMaskUSER4_OUT,
    MEIControlOutputUSER_5  = MEIXmpControlIOMaskUSER5_OUT,
} MEIControlOutput;
```

Description

ControlOutput is an enumeration of a controller's local digital output bit masks. Each mask represents a discrete output.

See Also

mpiControlIoGet | mpiControlIoSet | MEIControlInput

MEIControlTrace

MEIControlTrace

```
typedef enum {
    MEIControlTraceDYNA_ALLOC  = MEIControlTraceFIRST << 0,
} MEIControlTrace;
```

Description

ControlTrace is an enumeration of control object trace bits to enable debug tracing.

MEIControlTraceDYNA_ALLOC	This trace bit enables tracing for calls that dynamically allocate controller memory.

See Also

MPIControlType

MPIControlType

```
typedef enum {
    MPIControlTypeDEFAULT,
    MPIControlTypeMAPPED,
    MPIControlTypeIOPORT,
    MPIControlTypeDEVICE,
    MPIControlTypeCLIENT,
    MPIControlTypeFILE,
} MPIControlType;
```

Description

ControlType is an enumeration that specifies the type of controller that needs to be accessed when mpiControlCreate() is called. Please refer to the documentation for mpiControlCreate() to see how to use this enumeration.

See Also

MPIControl | mpiControlCreate | mpiControlType

MPIControlMAX_AXES

Declaration `#define MPIControlMAX_AXES (32)`

Required Header stdmpi.h

Description Defines the maximum number of axes available on one controller.

See Also MPIAxis | mpiControlConfigGet | mpiControlConfigSet

MPIControlMAX_COMPENSATORS

Declaration

```
#define MPIControlMAX_COMPENSATORS (4)
```

Required Header stdmpi.h

Description Defines the maximum number of compensator objects available on one controller.

See Also MPICompensator | mpiControlConfigGet | mpiControlConfigSet

MPIControlMAX_RECORDERS

Declaration

```
#define MPIControlMAX_RECORDERS (32)
```

Required Header stdmpi.h

Description Defines the maximum number of recorder objects available on one controller.

See Also

MPIControlMIN_AXIS_FRAME_COUNT

Declaration

```
#define MPIControlMIN_AXIS_FRAME_COUNT (128)
```

Required Header stdmpi.h

Description Defines the the minimum allowed value for which MPIControlConfig.axisFrameCount can be set.

See Also MPIControlConfig | mpiControlConfigGet | mpiControlConfigSet

MEIControlSTRING_MAX

Declaration `#define MEIControlSTRING_MAX (16)`

Required Header stdmei.h

Description Defines the maximum number of characters in MEIControlInfo strings.

See Also MEIControlInfo | MEIControlInfoHardware

Dynamic Allocation of External Memory Buffers

In previous versions, the XMP external memory was statically allocated at firmware compile time.

In version 20010119 and later, specific buffers of the XMP external memory are dynamically allocated. The dynamic allocation feature allows an application to efficiently use the XMP controller's on-board memory and allows for future expansion. The dynamically allocated buffers currently include the Frame Buffer and Record Buffer. Each of these buffers sizes are recalculated during a call to mpiControlConfigSet(...) if there is a change in any of the associated ControlConfig values.

The **Frame Buffer** is used for motion on each axis. The Frame Buffer is directly associated with the number of EnabledAxes in the MPIControlConfig structure. The Frame Buffer will be allocated to the minimum size required to support the number of enabled axes. The default number of EnabledAxes is eight (8).

The **Record Buffer** is used for the on-board data recorder. The Record Buffer is directly associated with the number of EnabledRecord in the MPIControlConfig structure. The Record Buffer will be allocated to the minimum size required to support the number of enabled records. The default number of EnabledRecords is 3064. Each record is the size of one memory word.

The meiControlExtMemAvail(...) method has been added to discover how much memory is available on your controller.

```
MPI_DEF1 long MPI_DEF2
     meiControlExtMemAvail(MPIControl  control,
                           long        *size)
```

The meiControlExtMemAvail(...) method will return the number of memory words available. Since each record size is one memory word, the size returned from the above function can be used to increase the Record Buffer to maximum size possible. This greatly improves client/server operation of Motion Scope and any application used for data collection.

WARNING! Due to the nature of dynamic allocation and the clearing of external memory buffers mpiControlConfigSet(...) should ONLY be called at motion application initialization time and NOT during motion.

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TCP/IP and Sockets for Control Objects

The MPI implements network functionality as client/server. The xmp\util\server.c program implements a basic server. You just create a Control object of type MPIControlTypeCLIENT and specify the server's host in the MPIControlAddress{}.client{} structure.

You can try “MPI networking” on a single machine by starting up the server program in a DOS window, and then running a sample application in another DOS window. Note that you can specify the host name and port of the server as command line arguments to all sample applications and utilities.

The way the MPI client/server works internally is that low-level mpiControlMemory and mpiControlInterrupt methods are intercepted just before they read/write XMP memory. The methods are packaged up as remote procedure calls and sent to the server for execution. The server sends the results back to the client.

There are 2 channels of communication - one channel to wait for interrupts, and another channel to do everything else. All MPI methods that communicate with the XMP do so by calling (eventually) the low level mpiControlMemory methods, so no application code needs to be changed other than the initial call to mpiControlCreate(...). This is all implemented on WinNT using WinSock.

Note that it would be possible to implement the client/server scenario above using an RS-232 line rather than TCP/IP WinSock. The MPI’s client/server protocol only requires a reliable transport mechanism (WinSock, RS-232) between a client and server.

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