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# Preface

This guide is a reference manual to the RAPL-3 programming language. It contains a comprehensive description of the language including subroutines, functions, and commands in the standard libraries.

This guide is for users who have a basic understanding of RAPL-3 or a good understanding of programming concepts.

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# Documentation Conventions

This guide uses the following documentation conventions.

## Text and Programming Code

Example	Description	Explanation
<code>ready() grip_close() finish()</code>	evenly spaced computer font	Programming code. In syntax sections, required characters that must be included.
<code>gripdist_set(<i>distance</i>) motor(<i>axis</i>,<i>pulses</i>,<i>c</i>) if <i>expression</i></code>	italics	User supplied item. Can be simple (integer, variable) or complex (expression, statements)
<code>align_X align_Y M_READ M_WRITE X Y Z</code>	vertical pipe or bar	A choice between two or more items. One must be chosen unless it is optional (in square brackets).
<code>place[3] message[2,2] data[10,4,7]</code>	square brackets in arrays	Required characters of array syntax. Must be included.
<code>grip_close([<i>force</i>]) home([<i>axis</i>][<i>,axis</i>]) ...[<i>flags</i>] [<i>x</i> <i>X</i>]...</code>	square brackets in any other part of code	Optional items in code. Can be included or omitted depending on the needs of the program.
<code>lock(7) ... unlock(7)</code>	three dots on one line or on three lines	Omitted code of the example. A place for additional material which is not specified.
<code>\ (backslash) _ (underscore) " (double quote)</code>	character(s) with description(s) in parentheses.	Characters referred to in the text which need to be clearly identified.
use <b>with</b> to <b>end</b> when <b>here</b>	bold	Names of commands, functions, keywords, etc. used in the text which could be confused.

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## Commands and Keywords

The following documentation conventions are used for

- all subroutines, functions, and commands in libraries
  - all flow control statements
  - other keywords (main, return, comment, sizeof)
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### **name\_of\_command/keyword**

Description	<p>A description of the functionality of this subroutine, function, command, control statement, or keyword.</p> <p>Details of usage.</p>
Caution	<p>Any characteristics that could create a problem.</p>
Syntax	<p>Required characters are in non-italic monospace font. <i>Programmer-supplied identifiers and constructs are in italics.</i> Optional items are in [square brackets]. Long lines may carry over onto a second line on the printed page, but in a program must be written either on one line or with a \ (backslash) line continuation character.</p> <p>Subroutines, functions, and commands are given in declaration form.</p>
Parameters Arguments	<p>A list with explanations and types.</p> <p>Where a parameter is a standard-library defined enum or struct, the members are listed.</p>
Returns	<p>The return value of the function or command which also indicates success or error.</p>
Example	<p>An example of use in a program.</p>
Result	<p>The example's result, if applicable.</p>
See Also	<p>Any related RAPL-3 commands, functions, subroutines, statements, keywords, or topics, described in this <i>Reference Guide</i>.</p>
System Shell Application Shell	<p>An equivalent command in the CROS/RAPL-3 system shell or application shell, described in the <i>Application Development Guide</i>.</p>
RAPL-II	<p>Any similar RAPL-II commands.</p>
Category	<p>The category of this and related commands which are listed in the category section.</p>

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## Related Resources

Related material can be found in these documents.

- Release notes on the diskettes.
  - Application Development Guide  
A guide for developing your robotic application using all components of your robot system: arm, controller, teach pendant, personal computer, Robcomm3, RAPL-3 programs, application shell, and system shell.
  - F3 Robot System Installation Guide
  - A465 Arm and C500 Controller User Guides
  - A255 Arm and C500 Controller User Guides
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# General Program Format

All RAPL-3 programs follow the same general format. Some elements are required. Other elements are optional depending on the complexity of the program.

## Example 1: Basic Program in RAPL-II Style

A basic program can contain

- only a main function

and follow a style similar to RAPL-II

- implicit declarations of variables
- familiar RAPL-II command names

```

main function  main                ;; begin program

fast = 50      ;; implicitly declare and initialize integers
slow = 25
z = 1

speed(fast)    ;; set speed
move(_safe)    ;; move and implicitly declare cartesian location

do            ;; begin do loop

    appro(_a,5) ;; pick from location a, implicitly declare location
    grip_open(100)
    grip_finish()
    move(_a)
    finish()
    grip_close(100)
    grip_finish()
    depart(5)

    move(_safe) ;; move to safe location between pick and place

    appro(_b,5) ;; place at location b, implicitly declare location
    move(_b)
    finish()
    grip_open(100)
    grip_finish()
    depart(5)

    move(_safe) ;; move to safe location between place and pick
    z = z + 1   ;; increment counter in loop

until z == 10  ;; condition to end do loop

end main      ;; end program

```

---



## Example 2: Basic Program in Preferred RAPL-3 Style

A basic program can contain

- a main function
- a subroutine

and follow the preferred style of RAPL-3

- explicit declarations of variables, including teachables

```
subroutine    sub io(int out_channel, int out_state, int in_channel)
              int in_state
              output(out_channel, out_state)
              do
                delay(250)
                input(in_channel, in_state)
              until (in_state) == 1
            end sub

main function main

              int i                                ;; explicitly declare variables
              teachable int fast, slow, cycles    ;; explicitly declare teachable variables
              teachable cloc safe, a, b           ;; explicitly declare teachable locations

              move(safe)
              speed(fast)

              for i = 1 to cycles                  ;; use a for loop
                                                    ;; cycles is teachable, set outside
                appro(a,5)
                grip_open(100)
                io(1,1,2)
                speed(slow)
                move(a)
                grip_close(100)
                depart(5)

                speed(fast)
                move(safe)

                appro(b,5)
                io(3,1,4)
                speed(slow)
                move(b)
                grip_open(100)
                depart(5)

                speed(fast)
                move(safe)

              end for

            end main
```

# The Main Program

Every RAPL-3 program contains a main function.

---

## main

Description	<p>A required function for each program. Requires <b>main</b> and <b>end main</b> to indicate the beginning and the end of the main function.</p> <p><b>main</b> is the place in the program where execution begins.</p> <p>The main function may not call itself.</p>
Syntax	<pre>main     <i>statement(s)</i> end main</pre>
Returns	<p>Main does not have to explicitly return a value. By default, 0 (zero) is returned. Any integer could be returned.</p>
Example	<pre>main     teachable cloc  pick, place     move(pick)     grip_close()     move(place)     grip_open() end main</pre>
RAPL-II	<p>RAPL-II did not have a function or structure similar to <b>main</b>. RAPL-II's STOP command had a purpose similar to <b>end main</b>.</p>

## Lines of a Program

A RAPL-3 program consists of a number of lines of ASCII text. Statements and declarations are terminated by the line end.

### Line Continuation

To continue on the next line, end a line with the \ (backslash) character. For example

```
a =    b + c + d  \  
      + e + f
```

is read as one statement.

Without the continuation character

```
a =    b + c + d  
      + e + f
```

the first part of the statement ends at the end of the first line and is read as a statement. The second part is a fragment which causes a syntax error when compiling.

Lines that end with , (a comma) are automatically considered to be continued. For example,

```
printf("The coordinates are {}, {}, {}\\n",  
      x, y, z)
```

## Comments

A comment starts with ;; (two semicolons) and extends to the end of the line. A comment can start at the beginning of a line or after some program code. For example:

```
;; calculate the position error:
x_error = x_pos - desired_x_pos      ;; for the x-axis
y_error = y_pos - desired_y_pos      ;; for the y-axis
z_error = z_pos - desired_z_pos      ;; for the z axis
```

# Labels

A statement can be marked with a special identifier called a label. The label has :: (two colons) after the identifier. A label is used as the target of a goto statement.

## Syntax

*label\_identifier*:: *statement*

where

*label\_identifier* is the name of the label and follows the rules for identifiers, and

*statement* is the statement line being labelled.

The statement can be an empty line.

## Examples

```
my_label:: current_location = num
```

```
start_again::
```

## Keywords

The following identifiers are keywords of RAPL-3. They are reserved for the RAPL-3 language and cannot be redefined. In particular, the following keywords cannot be used as the name of any variable, subroutine, function, or command:

and	gloc	sizeof
break	goto	static
_builtin	if	step
case	ignore	string
cloc	import	struct
command	int	sub
comment	libversion	teachable
const	loop	then
continue	main	to
do	mod	try
else	not	typedef
elseif	of	union
end	or	unteachable
enum	ploc	until
except	private	var
export	proto	void
float	raise	volatile
for	resume	while
func	return	with
global	retry	

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# Data Types and Variables

RAPL-3 programs can work with many different types of data and also permits user-defined data types. This chapter presents the basic data types supported by RAPL-3, and goes on to look at the kinds of user-defined types that can be constructed.

## Basic Data Types

RAPL-3 supports the following basic data types.

Name	Description	Size (bytes)
int	32-bit signed integer (Range: -2147483648 to +2147483647)	4
float	IEEE single precision floating point (Range: $\pm 1.7 \times 10^{\pm 38}$ )	4
string	variable length string (Range: 0 to 65535 8-bit characters)	4 + number of characters
cloc	cartesian location	36
ploc	precision location	36
void	used for forming generic pointers	—

### int

An **int**, or integer, is a signed number without any decimal or fractional part. Examples: 0, 1, 23, 456, -7, -89

### float

A **float**, or floating point number, is a number with a decimal or fractional part and an optional exponent. A float has up to seven significant digits. Examples: 4.75, -99.99, 1.0, 3.141593, 1.0e10

### string

A **string** is a set of characters: uppercase or lowercase letters, digits, punctuation and other graphic characters, and the blank space. In a string, a digit is a character and does not have numeric value as it does in a number (int or float). RAPL-3 does not have a character data type.

### cloc

A **cloc**, or cartesian location, represents a point in the robot arm workspace defined by cartesian co-ordinates. Coordinates have three translational elements (along axes) x, y, and z, and three rotational elements (around axes) z, y, and x. The values of a cloc are independent of arm position and arm type.

### ploc

A **ploc**, or precision location, represents a point in the robot arm workspace defined by increments of rotational movement, specifically encoder counts, of each joint of the arm and any additional axes (j1, j2, j3, j4, j5, j6, j7, j8). The values of a ploc are dependent on the robot.



## **void**

The **void** type is used to form void pointers (pointers that can point to any type).  
`void@ x`

Void pointers are assignment compatible with all other types of pointers.

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# Identifiers

An identifier is used for the name of a variable, type, subroutine, function, or command.

## Character Set

An identifier begins with a letter. This may be followed by zero or more letters, digits, or `_` (underscore) characters.

```
a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z
A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
```

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## Case

Letters may be either uppercase (ABCDE), lowercase (abcde), or mixed (AbCdE). RAPL-3 is case-sensitive with identifiers. For example, the following are all different identifiers.

```
x                ;; lowercase
X                ;; uppercase
symbol           ;; lowercase
SYMBOL           ;; uppercase
sYmBoL           ;; mixed
SyMbOl           ;; mixed
```

## Length

An identifier may be any length, but only the first 32 characters are significant. For example, the following are not different identifiers.

```
location_sensor_data_collection_1
location_sensor_data_collection_2
```

## Examples

There are many possibilities of valid identifiers.

### Valid

```
a                ;; a single letter
num              ;; several letters
my_symbol        ;; letters with underscore
MySymbol         ;; letters of different cases
x3               ;; letter with digit
rack_loc_12      ;; letters, underscores, digits
```

### Invalid

```
3a               ;; begins with a digit, not a letter
my$symbol        ;; uses a character not in the valid character set
&num             ;; uses a character not in the valid character set
                 ;; and does not begin with a letter
```

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# Declarations

This section details the declaration of: int, float, string, cloc, and ploc. For the declaration of arrays of these types, see the Arrays section. For const, see the Initializers section.

Each variable must be declared as one specific type of variable (int, float, string, cloc, ploc, const). A declaration states the type of variable and the name of the variable.

You can declare a variable explicitly or implicitly. It is good programming practice to explicitly declare all variables.

## Explicit Declarations

When you declare a variable explicitly, you list it in a declaration statement before you use it in the program.

Variables being declared as the same type can be listed in the same declaration, separated by commas.

### Syntax

```
type identifier
type identifier, identifier, identifier . . .
```

where

*type* is the data type, and  
*identifier* is the name of the variable and follows the rules for identifiers.

### Examples

Type	Example	Description
int	int i	i is an integer
float	float a,b	a and b are floats
string	string[10] message	message is a string that can hold 10 or fewer characters
cloc	cloc pick_1, place_1	pick_1 and place_1 are cartesian locations
ploc	ploc pick_2, place_2	pick_2 and place_2 are precision locations

## Implicit Declarations

When you declare a variable implicitly, you indicate the variable's type with a prefix before its name when you use it in the program for the first time.

If a variable is used without having been explicitly declared, the compiler looks for an implicit declaration prefix character on the variable name to determine the type of variable. If there is no prefix character, the compiler defines the variable as the default type, an int, and issues a warning.

In general, implicit declarations should be avoided. You should always explicitly declare variables.

## Syntax

*[prefix\_character]identifier*

where

*prefix\_character* is the character indicating the data type, and  
*identifier* is the name of the variable and follows the rules for identifiers.

## Implicit Declaration Prefix Characters

Prefix Character		Type	Example
	none	int	a = 2
%	percent sign	float	%b = 10.25
\$	dollar sign	string[64]	\$m = "Robot working.\n"
_	underscore	cloc	here _z
#	number sign	ploc	here #y

## Examples

Type	Example	Description
int	e = c + d	e is defined as an int, if it has not been seen before.
float	%h = f * g	h is defined as a float.
string	\$notice9 = "stop"	notice9 is defined as a string[64].
cloc	here(_place22)	place22 is defined as a cloc.
ploc	here(#material33)	material33 is defined as a ploc.

## Implicit with Explicit

If an implicit declaration prefix is used in an explicit declaration statement, the implicit prefix is ignored by the compiler. For example,

```
float %b    ;; the variable b is declared as a float
float $c    ;; the variable c is declared as a float
float #d    ;; the variable d is declared as a float
```

## Identifiers

The prefix character indicates the type of declaration. It is not part of the identifier, the variable's name. For example, if **\_m** was used in a statement, a cloc with the name **m** was defined. A later statement with **#m** causes an error, the same way that **cloc m** followed by **ploc m** causes an error.

## Scope

Two variables with the same scope cannot have the same name. For definitions of scope, see the Scope section of the Subprogram chapter.

## Teachables

Teachable variables that are declared inside a sub, func, or command must not have the same name as any teachable outer-frame variable.

# Strings

The string type is essentially a character array with a fixed size.

The string type must always have a subscript, indicated by [ ] (square brackets).

## String[*number*]

Usually, the subscript contains a number to specify the maximum length of string that can be stored in it, such as string[10] or string[64].

### Syntax

```
string[number]  identifier
```

where

string and the square brackets are required,

*number* is the character size of the string, and

*identifier* is the name of the variable and follows the rules for identifiers.

## String[]

In some circumstances, the subscript can be empty.

```
string[]
```

This undimensioned string declaration can be used only in the following circumstances.

- A simple single string being initialized. When string[] is used, the compiler determines the size of the string. In this example, the compiler makes notice9 a string[18].

```
string[] notice9 = "End of work cycle."
```

- A function formal parameter or var parameter.

```
func int strlen(string[])
sub str_append(var string[] dst, string[] src)
```

- The target of a pointer.

```
string[]@ sptr
```

For a table of pointers to strings of unknown length, use

```
string[]@[5] greek = {"alpha", "beta", "gamma", "delta",
"epsilon"}
```

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## Notes:

A RAPL-3 string is actually stored as a *length*, a *limit*, and an array of characters. The *length* value indicates how many characters are actually valid. Strings can be created with at most space for 65,532 characters. The *limit* value indicates how many characters there is actually room for. For example, if we have a variable:

```
string[10] s
```

then s is initially created with its *length* set to 0 (no characters; the empty string) and its *limit* set to 12. The *limit* is 12 because RAPL-3 always allocates storage in units of 1 word (or 4 characters); string[10] actually needs 1 word for the *length* and *limit*, and an additional 3 words for the characters (which actually is 3 \* 4 or 12 characters in size.) After this statement:

```
s = "hello!"
```

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the *length* of `s` is set to 6, and the characters 'h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o' and '!' have been stored in the character part of the string.

## Termination

RAPL-3 does not use any string termination character. The variable is declared and the string of characters is packed into the variable.

## Concatenation

To concatenate (link together to form a longer string), use the `str_append` subroutine with string variables. The `+` (plus) operator can be used to concatenate string constants.

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# Arrays

An array is a collection of data objects where all are the same data type and all use the same identifier but each has a unique subscript.

## Syntax

```
base_type[ subscript_list ] identifier
```

where

*base\_type* is the data type of each element in the array,

*subscript\_list* is a comma-separated list of one or more constant expressions defining each dimension, and

*identifier* is the name of the variable and follows the rules for identifiers.

A subscript must be a constant expression, such as a simple integer constant. The compiler must be able to compute the value of each constant expression at compile time.

## Types

You can have an array of any type or an arrays of arrays.

## Dimensions

There is no limit on the number of dimensions allowed, except for teachable arrays. See Teachables.

## Numbering

In RAPL-3, numbering begins with 0.

Declaration	Number of Elements	Numbering
<code>int[4] a</code>	4	<code>a[0], a[1], a[2], a[3]</code>
<code>int[10] a</code>	10	<code>a[0], a[1], a[2], a[3], a[4], a[5], a[6], a[7], a[8], a[9]</code>
<code>int[20] a</code>	20	<code>a[0], a[1], a[2], a[3], a[4], a[5], a[6], a[7], a[8], a[9], a[10], a[11], a[12], a[13], a[14], a[15], a[16], a[17], a[18], a[19]</code>
<code>int[100] a</code>	100	<code>a[0], a[1], a[2], a[3], a[4], a[5], a[6], a[7], a[8], a[9],</code> through to <code>a[90], a[91], a[92], a[93], a[94], a[95], a[96], a[97], a[98], a[99]</code>

## Review of Strings

Example	Description
<code>string[30] z</code>	a string that can hold 30 or fewer characters

## One Dimensional Arrays

Example	Description
<code>int[5] a</code>	an array of 5 integers <code>a[0], a[1], a[2], a[3], a[4]</code>
<code>float[10] b</code>	an array of 10 floats <code>b[0], b[1], b[2], ... b[9]</code>
<code>ploc[20] c</code>	an array of 20 precision locations <code>c[0], c[1], c[2], ... c[19]</code>
<code>string[30] [10] d</code>	an array of 10 strings <code>d[0], d[1], d[2], ... d[9]</code> each can hold 30 or fewer characters

**Two Dimensional Arrays**

Example	Description
<code>int[5,10] e</code>	a 2-dimensional array of 50 integers <code>e[0,0] ... e[0,9]</code> <code>...</code> <code>e[4,0] ... e[4,9]</code>
<code>float[10,20] f</code>	a 2-dimensional array of 200 floats <code>f[0,0] ... f[0,19]</code> <code>...</code> <code>f[9,0] ... f[9,19]</code>
<code>ploc[5,10] g</code>	a 2-dimensional array of 50 precision locations <code>g[0,0] ... g[0,9]</code> <code>...</code> <code>g[4,0] ... g[4,9]</code>
<code>string[20][5,10] h</code>	a 2-dimensional array of 50 strings <code>h[0,0] ... h[0,9]</code> <code>...</code> <code>h[4,0] ... h[4,9]</code> each can hold 20 or fewer characters
<code>int[10] [5] i</code>	a 2-dimensional array of 50 integers same as <code>int[5,10] e</code> brackets are applied from left to right
<code>float[20][10] j</code>	a 2-dimensional array of 200 floats same as <code>float[10,20] f</code> brackets are applied from left to right
<code>string[20] [10] [5] k</code>	a 2-dimensional array of 50 strings same as <code>string[20] [5,10] h</code>
<code>string[50][23 + 7] m</code>	an array of 30 strings, each can hold 50 or fewer characters

**Multi Dimensional Arrays**

Example	Description
<code>int[2,2,2] n</code>	a 3-dimensional array of integers <code>n[0,0,0], n[0,0,1],</code> <code>n[0,1,0], n[0,1,1],</code> <code>n[1,0,0], n[1,0,1],</code> <code>n[1,1,0], n[1,1,1]</code>
<code>float[5,5,5,5] p</code>	a 4-dimensional array of integers <code>p[0,0,0,0] to p[4,4,4,4]</code>

**Declarations**

You cannot implicitly declare an array.

However, if you use the implicit declaration syntax in a statement with an array, you will not cause a problem, if the array is previously declared and the implicit declaration character matches the base type of the array. For example,

```
ploc[16,16] a
...
here(#a[1,1])
```



# Teachables

A variable that is teachable is accessible from outside the program.

## Use

Teachables provide an easy way, outside the program, to modify a value for a variable, store that value, and use the value in a program. Using this feature avoids writing (hard-coding) values in the program and having to re-write the program to change the values. It also avoids storing the values in a custom user-designed file and having to carefully edit the file to change values and include a routine in the program to read that custom data file.

Data about teachable variables and their values are stored in the variable file. When you run a program, the operating system takes the program's variable file and uses its values to initialize the variables in the program just before running.

## Variable (v3) File

Data about teachable variables are stored in the variable file (also known as a v3 file). You modify data, or “teach” locations and other variables, using the teach pendant or the application shell.

You can create a variable file in a number of ways.

- **Refreshing from the Program.** When your program file is in a CROS directory (in CROS-500 or CROSnt), ash's refresh command reviews the program and adds any teachable variables of the program to ash's database. After assigning values (including teaching locations) to the teachables in the database, this new data is saved to the variable file. This method is used if you write your program before teaching your locations.
- **Building Independently.** You can build a variable file completely in a CROS directory (in CROS-500 or CROSnt) using ash or the teach pendant. With ash's or the teach pendant's database, you create variables and assign values to them. When you are finished this data is saved to in the variable file. This method is used if you teach your locations before writing your program.

See the *Application Development Guide* chapters on the application shell.

## Declarations

You make a variable teachable by adding the keyword “teachable” before the data type at declaration. Teachables are not initialized.

### Syntax

```
teachable type identifier
teachable type identifier, identifier, identifier . . .
```

where

*teachable* is a necessary keyword  
*type* is the data type, and  
*identifier* is the name of the variable and follows the rules for identifiers.

### Examples

Example	Description
<code>teachable int cycles</code>	<code>cycles</code> is a teachable integer
<code>teachable float a, b, c</code>	<code>a</code> , <code>b</code> , and <code>c</code> are teachable floats
<code>teachable string[10] note</code>	<code>note</code> is a teachable string that can hold 10 or fewer characters
<code>teachable cloc pick_1, place_1</code>	<code>pick_1</code> and <code>place_1</code> are teachable cartesian locations
<code>teachable ploc pick_2, place_2</code>	<code>pick_2</code> and <code>place_2</code> are teachable precision locations
<code>teachable int[3] step</code>	<code>step</code> is a teachable array of 3 integers: <code>step[0]</code> , <code>step[1]</code> , <code>step[2]</code>
<code>teachable float[5,5] delta</code>	<code>delta</code> is a teachable two-dimensional array of floats: <code>delta[0,0] ... delta[4,4]</code>
<code>teachable ploc[2,10] spot</code>	<code>spot</code> is a teachable two-dimensional array of precision locations: <code>spot[0,0] . . . spot[1,9]</code>

## Limitations

### Data Types

There are limits on which data types are teachable. Simple, scalar variables can be teachable. One-dimensional arrays of variables can be teachable. Two-dimensional arrays, except `string[n]`, can be teachable. Three-dimensional and higher dimensional arrays cannot be teachable. The void type cannot be teachable.

= can be teachable

✗ = cannot be teachable

	int	float	string[n]	cloc	ploc	gloc	void
simple							✗
one-dimensional array							✗
two-dimensional array			✗				✗
three-dimensional or higher array	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗

### Not Initialized

A variable cannot be both teachable and initialized. You cannot write

```
teachable int a = 5
teachable string[64] message_12 = "Error recovery underway."
```

**Storage Class: Static**

Variables which are declared as teachable are static. They should not be used in recursive routines except as read only.

**Defaults and Unteachables****Scope and Declaration Defaults**

The following variables are teachable by default.

Local (within a subprogram or main) and Implicitly Declared

- clocs, and plocs

```
sub
...
    here(_point)
end sub

main
...
    here(_place)
end main
```

Outer-Frame (outside all subprograms and main) and Explicitly Declared

- clocs, and plocs
- 1-dimensional and 2-dimensional arrays of clocs, and plocs

```
ploc start_point
cloc[10] point

sub
...
end sub

main
...
end main
```

All other variable types are unteachable by default.

**Unteachable Declaration**

A variable can be declared as unteachable with the unteachable keyword. This can be used to make an outer frame location that is not teachable, for example

```
unteachable cloc[10] point

sub
...
end sub

main
...
end main
```

## User-Defined Types

A type can be called by a user-specified name. Typedefs can only be global, imported, or outer-frame. There are no local typedefs. Typedefs within a subprogram are available to sections outside of that subprogram.

### Syntax

```
typedef identifier type
```

where

*typedef* is required,

*identifier* is the name of the type and follows the rules for identifiers, and

*type* is the keyword indicating the data type.

### Examples

Example	Description
<pre>typedef  alpha int[10] ... alpha  a,b,c . . . alpha[3]  x</pre>	<p>alpha is an array of 10 ints</p> <p>a, b and c are all int arrays  a[0], a[1], a[2],...a[9]  b[0], b[1], b[2],...b[9]  c[0], c[1], c[2],...c[9]</p> <p>x is an array of 3 alphas  x[0,0], x[0,1], x[0,2],...x[0,9]  x[1,0], x[1,1], x[1,2],...x[1,9]  x[2,0], x[2,1], x[2,2],...x[1,9]</p>

# Pointers

A pointer is a variable that holds the address of another variable. A pointer is declared to point to a specific data type.

Syntax

*basetype@ identifier*

where

*basetype* is the keyword indicating the data type.

*@* is required and immediately follows the basetype, and

*identifier* is the name of the type and follows the rules for identifiers.

## Examples

Example	Description
<code>int@ a</code>	a is a pointer to an int
<code>float@ b, c</code>	b and c are pointers to floats
<code>string[20]@ d</code>	d is a pointer to a 20 character string
<code>cloc@ e</code>	e is a pointer to a cloc
<code>int[10]@ f</code>	f is a pointer to an array of 10 ints
<code>int[3,2]@[4] g</code>	g is an array of 4 pointers, each of which points to a two-dimensional array of ints

Note that in all cases, complex declarations are applied from left to right.

## Dereferencing

Pointers can be dereferenced with the *@* operator. For example, if the variable *xp* is of type `int@`, then *xp@* refers to the value that the pointer *xp* points to.

## Address-of Operator

A pointer to a data object can be constructed using the '&' (address-of) operator. For example, if *x* is an integer, then *&x* is an `int@` which points to the value of *x*.

## Enumerated Types

It is often convenient to refer to the values of a variable by name, rather than by number. For example, when referring to the colour of a test-tube, we can define:

```
enum
    red,
    orange,
    yellow,
    green,
    blue
end enum colour_type
```

This defines type *colour\_type* as type **int**, and creates the special constants *red*, *orange*, *yellow*, *green* and *blue*, which will have values 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4, respectively. These constants can be used anywhere a numerical constant would be appropriate.

This allows a particular value to be associated with an identifier in the list.

### Syntax

```
enum
    item_list
end enum enum_identifier
```

where

*enum* and *end enum* are required,  
*enum\_identifier* is the name of the enum,

and

*item\_list* is a comma-separated list of items, where each item can be a simple identifier

*identifier*

or a statement

*identifier* = *constant\_expression*

### Examples

Example	Description
<pre>enum     num_a,     num_b,     num_c end enum x</pre>	<p>x is an int  num_a is the constant 0  num_b is the constant 1  num_c is the constant 2</p>
<pre>enum     bit_0 = 1,     bit_1 = 2,     bit_3 = 4 end enum y</pre>	<p>y is an int  bit_0 is the constant 1  bit_1 is the constant 2  bit_3 is the constant 4</p>
<pre>enum     x,     y,     z end enum letters</pre>	<p>This is illegal after the previous two declarations. The constant identifiers must be unique within the same scope.</p>

## Record Structures

Records structures (like structs in C) are declared as:

```
struct
    field_list
end struct
```

Where *field\_list* is a list of 1 or more entries of the following form. Struct fieldnames can be anything except a type name.

```
type identifier_list
```

For example:

```
typedef Colour struct
    float red, green, blue
end struct                ;; declares a type called
                           ;; Colour with fields called
                           ;; red, green and blue

typedef my_record struct
    int i                ;; values in a linked list
    my_record@ next      ;; a pointer to this structure
                           ;; itself, for creating a
                           ;; linked list
end struct
```

## Unions

Unions (like unions in C) are possible.

```
union
    field_list
end union
```

Where *field\_list* is a list of declarations which can include int, float, string[], cloc, ploc, or a complex type like struct or union.

```
union
    int a
    float b
end union xxx

typedef omega union
    int a
    float b
end union
```

Unions are referenced like structures, but have one important difference. All of the fields of a structure are located in distinct locations in memory, allowing all fields of a structure to hold values at the same time. However, in unions, all fields are located at the *same* memory location. Hence in variable xxx above, writing into field **a** of the union also alters the value of field **b**. Unions are typically used where a block of information may hold more than one kind of data.

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# Initializers

You can declare RAPL-3 variables and initialize their values at the same time. Initialization is useful for building tables of data needed by a program during its execution.

The general format of a declaration with an initializer is:

*type identifier = initializer\_expression*

For simple variables, *initializer\_expression* is a simple constant expression.

More complex variables can also be initialized, as shown in the examples below. Array and structure initializers are delimited by { } (braces). Note the use of { } (braces) for constructing each dimension of an array and the contents of each structure. Initializers must exactly match the size of the variable being initialized.

```
int a = 3                ;; a is an int
                        ;; with initial value 3

int a = 3, b = 4, c = 5 ;; a, b, and c are ints
                        ;; with initial values 3, 4, and 5
                        ;; respectively

float d = 2.0           ;; d is a float
                        ;; with initial value 2.0

int[2] e = { 0, 1 }     ;; e is an array of ints
                        ;; e[0] = 0 and e[1] = 1

string[16][3] f_string = {      \
    "No error(s)",
    "Warning error(s)",
    "Fatal errors(s)"          \
}                               ;; f_string is an array of 3 strings
                               ;; f_string[0] contains No error(s)
                               ;; f_string[1] contains Warning error(s)
                               ;; f_string[2] contains Fatal error(s)

struct
    int a
    float b
end struct stv = { 1, 2.7182 }
                ;; stv is an initialized struct

float[2,3] fa = {      \
    { 1.0, 2.0, 3.0 },
    { 2.0, 3.0, 4.0 }  \
}                       ;; two dimensional array initialization
```

The compiler accepts initializers like:

```
string[]@[2] list = { "yes", "no" }
```

and correctly generates the required data structures, but does not accept:

```
int@[2] list2 = { 1, 2 }
```

For initializing clocs and plocs with cloc{} and ploc{}, see the Location Constant section of the Constants chapter.

An initialized entity cannot be teachable.

## Named Constants

It is frequently useful to be able to define a named constant in a program. RAPL-3 provides a **const** keyword for this purpose. The format of a constant definition is:

```
const identifier = value
```

Note that it is not necessary to specify a type for a **const** definition; the compiler is able to deduce what type you are referring to by looking at the specified value. Examples of **const** definitions are:

```
const x = 123           ;; an integer constant
const y = 10.3          ;; a floating point constant
const z = "hello"       ;; a string constant
```

Only integer, floating point and string constants may be defined in this way. You may use a named constant anywhere it would be legal to use the actual constant itself. For example, if the following definitions are in your program, then this section of code:

```
print("hello", 123, 10.3)
```

is exactly the same as this section of code:

```
print(z, x, y)
```

Typically, named constants are used for setting configurable values in a program. For example, if a robot program rinses a dispense head some number of times in between operations, one might have a const definition like this at the top of the program:

```
const NUMBER_OF_RINSES = 3
```

This way the behaviour of the program can be changed by just changing the constant, and code that refers to this number can use `NUMBER_OF_RINSES`, which is much more obvious than just '3'.

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# Sizeof() Function

The sizeof() function determines the size of a type or a variable. The size of any type (even complex types) can be determined. As a built-in, sizeof is a keyword.

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## sizeof()

Description	<p>Returns the number of words that the type or variable occupies. (Note that 1 word = 4 bytes = 32 bits.)</p> <p>Used to determine the size of a type or variable.</p>
Syntax	<pre>sizeof(  <i>type</i>  ) sizeof(  <i>variable</i>  )</pre>
Parameters	<i>type</i> a data type
Arguments	<i>variable</i> any variable
Returns	Returns an integer of the number of words occupied.
Example	<pre>int ia = 1, ib = 9999 string[] sa = "a", sb = "Characters in this string are 32" struct     float red, orange, yellow     int green, blue, violet     string[50] brown, black end struct color print("int size is ", sizeof(int), "\n") print("ia size is ", sizeof(ia), "\n") print("ib size is ", sizeof(ib), "\n") print("string[] size is ", sizeof(string[]), "\n") print("sa size is ", sizeof(sa), "\n") print("sb size is ", sizeof(sb), "\n") print("color size is ", sizeof(color), "\n")</pre>
Result	<pre>int size is 1 ia size is 1 ib size is 1 string[] size is 1 sa size is 2 sb size is 9 color size is 34</pre>
See Also	<pre>sizeof_str    number of words to store a string str_len      number of characters in a string</pre>

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## Dimof() Function

### **dimof()**

Description Returns the dimensionality of an array.

Syntax `dimof(array)`

Parameters *array* name of array

Arguments

Example

```
int [20] x
int [5,10] z
print ("dimensionality of x is ", dimof(x), "\n")
print ("dimensionality of z is ", dimof(z), "\n")
print ("dimensionality of z[3] is ", dimof(z[3]), "\n")
```

Result

```
dimensionality of x is 20
dimensionality of z is 5
dimensionality of z[3] is 10
```

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# Expressions, Assignment, and Operators

Consider the following short RAPL-3 program:

```
[1]  main
[2]      int x
[3]      x = 1
[4]      while (x <= 10)
[5]          printf("x = {}\n", x)
[6]          x = x + 1
[7]      end while
[8]  end main
```

This program counts from 1 to 10, printing out the value of x each time through the **while** loop (see chapter 5 for more information about **while** loops.)

This short example has 4 expressions, 5 variable references and 2 assignment statements.

An **expression** is a part of a program statement that calculates a value. The following are the expressions in the above example:

```
1
x <= 10
x
x + 1
```

A **variable reference** is just a point in the program that refers to the value of a variable or stores a value in a variable. In the above program, there are 2 places where the value of x is modified or **assigned** (lines 3 and 6) and 3 places where the value of x is used (lines 4, 5 and 6).

An **assignment** statement is one that changes the value of a variable. Once again, this happens at lines 3 (where the value of x is set to 1) and 6 (where the value of x is incremented.)

This chapter presents the basic form of a **variable reference**, looks at how **assignment statements** are constructed and discusses the **operators** (like +, -, etc.) that are available for constructing expressions.

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## Variable References

Variable references have the form:

*variable\_name* [*modifiers* ]

Valid modifiers are:

Symbol	Operation
[ <i>index-list</i> ]	array indexing
. <i>fieldname</i>	<b>struct</b> element selection
@	pointer de-referencing

Variable references are read strictly from left-to-right, and modifiers are applied in that order.

```

;; declarations for these examples

int i,j           ;; an integer
float[10,10] a    ;; 2-dimensional array of floats
int@[100] api     ;; a 100-element array of pointers to ints
int[100]@ bpi     ;; a pointer to a 100-element array of ints
struct           ;; st is a simple struct
  int a
  string[] s
end struct st

;; variable references

... j ...         ;; the variable j
... a[i,j] ...    ;; element [i,j] of array a
... api[j]@ ...   ;; what is pointed to by
                  ;; the jth pointer in the array api
... bpi@[i]       ;; the ith integer in the array that
                  ;; is pointed to by bpi
... st.s ...      ;; the string part of struct st

```

Note that because variable modifiers are applied strictly from right to left, the use of a variable resembles the reverse of its declaration; for example, `bpi` is declared as `int[100]@ bpi` and is used as `bpi@[whatever]`.

## Assignment statements

An assignment statement allows the value of a variable to be modified and has the form:

*variable* = *expression*

or

*variable simple-op* = *expression*

Where *simple-op* is a simple binary operator like +, -, \*, etc. This second form of an assignment statement is interpreted to mean:

*variable* = *variable simple-op expression*

This allows statements like “a = a + 5” to be written more compactly, as “a += 5”.

In addition, the special operators

++  
--

can be used as assignment operators to increment and decrement the value of a variable. For example,

x++

is a shorthand way of saying

x = x + 1

The ++ and -- operators may not be used inside an expression. Constructs like

a = b++

are not allowed.

You can assign an integer variable a floating-point value. For example

```
int i
i = 1.6
```

In this case, the value is truncated back to an integer, and *i* is assigned the value 1. The compiler warns of float to int truncation (unless warnings are disabled).

Void pointers are assignment compatible with all other kinds of pointers.

All other types (string, ploc, cloc, arrays and structs) must match exactly for an assignment statement to be legal. For example:

```
int i,j           ;; some variable definitions
int @ip
float a,b
float@ fp
int[100] x,y
string name1,name2
void @vp
...
i = j             ;; these are all legal
a = b
a = i
i = a
x = y
name1 = name2
vp = ip
fp = vp
x = name1        ;; these are not legal
y = i
fp = ip
```

## Operators

The following operators are supported, and are listed in order of increasing precedence. Within one level of precedence, operators are left-associative.

In the table, the Form column indicates whether the operator is a binary operator ("a *op* b") or a unary operator ("*op* a"). The Accepts column lists the type of arguments the operator accepts (I = integer, F = float, S = string, P = ploc, C = cloc, @ = pointer), and the Yields column lists the type of result the operator produces. Note that the special character T denotes a value that is either integer 0 or 1, and L denotes anything which can reasonably appear on the left-hand-side of an assignment statement.

In cases where a binary operator has operands of different types, RAPL-3 will at most promote an **int** operand to **float**. If the types still do not match, the compiler will signal a type mismatch error. The one exception to this rule is that pointers may be compared for equality with zero.

Care must be taken in the use of mixed types. For example:

```
int    i           ;; variable declarations
float  f

... i/2 ...        ;; gives an integer result
... f/2 ...        ;; gives a floating point result
... i/f ...        ;; gives a floating point result
... f/i ...        ;; gives a floating point result
```

Sub, func, and command parameters are also checked for type match. As for expressions, arguments can be automatically converted from int to float. Also, cloc and ploc parameters can be automatically converted to glocs.

It is legal to compare pointers to 0 (NULL). It is also legal to compare pointers of the same type, and pointers of any type to void pointers.

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Symbol	Form	Accepts	Yields	Definition
<code>  </code> , <b>or</b>	binary	IF@	T	logical OR
<code>&amp;&amp;</code> , <b>and</b>	binary	IF@	T	logical AND
<code> </code>	binary	I	I	bitwise boolean OR
<code>^</code>	binary	I	I	bitwise boolean exclusive-OR
<code>&amp;</code>	binary	I	I	bitwise boolean AND
<code>==</code>	binary	IFS@	T	is equal to
<code>!=</code>	binary	IFS@	T	is not equal to
<code>&gt;</code>	binary	IFS	T	greater than
<code>&gt;=</code>	binary	IFS	T	greater than or equal to
<code>&lt;</code>	binary	IFS	T	less than
<code>&lt;=</code>	binary	IFS	T	less than or equal to
<code>&lt;&lt;</code>	binary	I	I	logical shift left
<code>&gt;&gt;</code>	binary	I	I	logical shift right
<code>+</code>	binary	IFS	same	addition, string concatenation of constant strings
<code>-</code>	binary	IF	same	subtraction
<code>*</code>	binary	IF	same	multiplication
<code>/</code>	binary	IF	same	division
<code>mod</code>	binary	I	I	remainder
<code>~</code>	unary	I	I	bitwise boolean NOT
<code>!</code> , <b>not</b>	unary	IF@	T	logical NOT
<code>-</code>	unary	IF	same	negation
<code>&amp;</code>	unary	L	@	address of
<code>(expr)</code>	-	-	-	parenthesized expression
<code>func_id(args)</code>	-	-	-	function call

## Type Casts

Type casts explicitly force the compiler to convert an expression of one type into another type, and take the form

*< type > expression*

For example, if we have

```
int a
```

and

```
float b
```

then

```
a = <int> b
```

does not give a truncation warning, since we have told the compiler explicitly to convert *b* to an integer.

Note that not all type casts are possible. For example, the compiler cannot be forced to convert a cartesian location into an integer. In general, you can cast:

From	To
an <b>int</b> or a <b>float</b>	an <b>int</b> or a <b>float</b>
any pointer type	any other pointer type
any location type	a generic location ( <b>gloc</b> )
a generic location ( <b>gloc</b> )	any location type

# Constants

For the most part, constants in RAPL-3 expressions are represented very straightforwardly. For example, the number 123 can be written exactly as it looks in the code of a RAPL-3 program. However, RAPL-3 also allows hexadecimal integer constants, exponential notation for floating point constants, string constants and location constants. This chapter presents the way in which these various kinds of constants are constructed.

# Numeric Constants

## Integer Constants

Any number that has neither a decimal point nor an exponent is an integer constant by default. Integer constants must lie in the range -2147483648 to +2147483647. Examples:

```
0
1000001
32768
```

Hexadecimal notation is also permitted. This consists of 0x followed by a sequence of digits (0 through 9, or a through f). Examples:

```
0x7fffffff      ;; +2147483647
0x1000          ;; 4096
0xffffffff      ;; -1
```

Binary Notation is also permitted. This consists of 0b followed by a sequence of binary digits (0 or 1).

## Alphanumeric Constants

Alphanumeric constants are really just another form of integer constant. They permit the value of an ASCII code to be used in an expression by enclosing the character with the ' (single quote) characters. For example, in

```
x = 'Z'
```

x is assigned the ASCII value for uppercase Z which is 90 (or 0x5a).

## Floating Point Constants

A floating point numeric constant takes the form:

*mantissa* [ E|e [ +|- ] *exponent* ]

The mantissa is a set of digits which may contain a decimal point. The base and exponent are optional. The base may be uppercase or lowercase (E or e). If not defined, the exponent is zero by default. The exponent is 1 or 2 digits. The sign, + or -, is optional. If not defined, the sign is + (positive) by default.

Examples:

```
0.0
1.
.2
1231.232
1e10
1E-5
.2e+6
1.5e+38
```

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## String Constants

String constants begin and end with the " (double quote) character and can be any length.

Within the string, the \ (backslash) character is used to form a sequence to represent the " character and other special ASCII codes. The following \ escape sequences are defined:

Sequence	Represents	
\"	"	the double quote character
\\	\	the backslash character itself
\a	BELL	ASCII BELL (bell, character 7).
\b	BS	ASCII BS (backspace, character 8)
\e	ESC	ASCII ESC (escape, character 27)
\f	FF	ASCII FF (form feed, character 12)
\n	LF	the end-of-line character. RAPL-3 uses the ASCII LF (linefeed, character 10) as the end of line character. For character output this is usually automatically converted into a CR-LF (carriage return – line feed) sequence.
\r	CR	ASCII CR (carriage return, character 13)
\t	TAB	ASCII TAB (horizontal tab, character 9)
\v	VT	ASCII VT (vertical tab, character 11)
\ddd		the ASCII code represented by the three decimal digits <i>ddd</i>

Examples:

```
"This is a test. \n"
```

A string with a LF at the end, which causes the cursor to move to the next line at the beginning.

```
"This is \007 a test."
```

A string with a BELL character (ASCII code 7) in the middle which causes the terminal emulator to beep.

```
"\\He said, \"The robot moves!\""
```

A string with the backslash sequence and two double quote sequences which prints as: \He said "The robot moves!"

String constants can be concatenated (linked together to form a longer string) with the + (plus) operator. Note that the + operator only works on string constants and cannot be used to concatenate string variables.

```
"Data" + "Test"
```

is the same as

```
"DataTest"
```

String constants can also be used as actual parameters of subprograms. If an attempt is made to use a string constant as a **var** parameter to a subprogram, the compiler will generate a warning (since it is surely wrong to allow writing to a string constant.)

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## Location Constants

You can initialize **cloc** and **ploc** variables. The RAPL-3 compiler has built-in functions: **cloc{}** for generating cloc constants, and **ploc{}** for generating ploc constants. All of the arguments to **cloc{}** or **ploc{}** must be constant expressions and the result is a constant expression that can be used in a variable initialization.

The format of **cloc{}** is:

```
cloc{ flags, x, y, z, zrot, yrot, xrot, e1, e2 }
```

Where *flags* specifies extra information about the location, *x*, *y*, and *z* are the translational coordinates along the world axes, *zrot*, *yrot*, and *xrot* are orientational coordinates around world axes, and *e1* and *e2* are the coordinates for extra axes such as track. The argument *flags* must be an int constant expression and all other arguments are float constants.

An example of **cloc{}** is the following definition:

```
cloc my_tool = cloc{0, 0.0, 0.0, 10.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0}
;; tool transform for use with the tool_set() command.
```

The format of **ploc{}** is:

```
ploc{ machtype, flags, a1, a2, a3, a4, a5, a6, a7, a8 }
```

Where *machtype* is the machine type (each type of machine, F3, A465, A255, ..., has a different geometry and configuration resulting in different encoder counts for a given location), *flags* specifies extra information about the location, and *a1* to *a8* specify the number of encoder pulses from zero of the desired position for each axis. The arguments *machtype*, *flags*, and *a1* to *a8* are integer constant expressions.

An example of **ploc{}** is:

```
ploc start_point = ploc{mc_a465, 0, 3500, 2800, 1000, 4000,
2500, 1500}
;; initialized precision location
```

A word of warning: initialized **clocs** are useful for specifying tool transforms and related information. It is, however, very dangerous to hand-construct **plocs** and command to robot to move to them. This is because the robot cannot physically move to any arbitrary joint configuration, and may collide with itself or objects in the workspace. If you must hand-construct locations, use extreme care.





# Control Flow

When a program executes, generally the computer executes one line, then the next, then the next. In order to make a program do useful things — for example, to repeat a particular task 10 times — we must be able to alter the way in which control passes from line to line of the program.

This section deals with statements that alter the sequence in which the statements in a program execute, allowing loops and conditional statements.

## break

Description	<p>Exit from a looping construct to the statement immediately following the looping construct (the statement immediately following <b>until</b>, <b>end while</b>, <b>end for</b>, or <b>end loop</b>).</p> <p>Can be used to exit from the following looping constructs: <b>do</b>, <b>while</b>, <b>for</b>, or <b>loop</b>.</p> <p>Often used with a condition such as an <b>if</b> or <b>if-else</b> statement.</p> <p>If loops are nested, <b>break</b> exits from only the innermost <b>do</b>, <b>while</b>, <b>for</b>, or <b>loop</b> statement that encloses the <b>break</b>.</p>
Syntax	<code>break</code>
Context	<pre>while ( expression_1 ) ...     if ( expression_2 )         break     end if ... end while</pre>
Example	<p>A loop that counts to 10.</p> <pre>int i i = 0 loop     if i == 10         break     end if     i++ end loop</pre> <p>Break exits from the loop when i equals 10.</p>
See Also	<code>continue</code> , <code>do</code> , <code>for</code> , <code>loop</code> , <code>while</code>

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## case

Description	<p>Executes one of several statements, depending on the value of an integer expression. Note that you can implement any case statement with a series of if statements; the case statement just provides a compact way to select between several statements based on a value.</p>
Syntax	<pre>case expression [ of constant_1 : ]     [ statement(s) ] [ of constant_2 to constant_3 : ]     [ statement(s) ] [ of constant_4,constant_5 : ]     [ statement(s) ] ... [else     [ statement(s) ]] end case</pre>
Example 1	<p>An example with a single value, a list of values, a range of values, a mixed list, and an else value.</p> <pre>int tracking string[64] message_1 ... case tracking     of 1:</pre>

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	<pre>         message_1 = "success"       of 2, 3, 5:         message_1 = "at maximum limits"       of 6 to 10:         message_1 = "beyond maximum limits"       of 10 to 15, 20 to 23, 99:         message_1 = "failure"       else         message_1 = "unknown"     end case </pre>
Example 2	<p>When this code is executed, if <math>z = 1, 2, 3</math>, or <math>6</math>, then <math>Sy</math> is set to "hello". If <math>z</math> is <math>4</math> or <math>5</math>, then <math>Sy</math> is set to "goodbye". If <math>z</math> is <math>7</math>, then <math>Sy</math> is set to "right". If <math>z</math> is not equal to any of these values, then <math>Sy</math> is set to "unknown".</p> <pre> case z of 1 to 3, 6:   \$y[] = "hello" of 4, 5:   \$y[] = "goodbye" of 7:   \$y[] = "right" else   \$y[] = "unknown" end case </pre>
RAPL-II	No equivalent in RAPL-II.
See Also	if

## continue

Description	<p>By-passes the remainder of the body of a loop and goes to the next iteration of the loop: the condition in <b>do</b> or <b>while</b>, the step increment in <b>for</b>, or the beginning of the next iteration in <b>loop</b>.</p> <p>Can be used to by-pass the body of the following looping constructs: <b>do</b>, <b>while</b>, <b>for</b>, or <b>loop</b>.</p> <p>Often used with a condition such as an <b>if</b> or <b>if-else</b> statement.</p> <p>If loops are nested, <b>continue</b> by-passes the body of the innermost <b>do</b>, <b>while</b>, <b>for</b>, or <b>loop</b> statement that encloses <b>continue</b>.</p>
Syntax	continue
Context	<pre> while ( expression_1 ) ...   if ( expression_2 )     continue   end if ... end while </pre>
Example	<p>Print only odd numbers.</p> <pre> for i= 1 to 10   if (i/2)*2==i          ;; integer division     continue            ;; it is even   end if   print i, "\n" end for </pre>
Result	<pre> 1 3 5 7 9 </pre>

See Also break, do, for, loop, while

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## do

Description A looping construct that tests a condition at the end of the loop.

Flow enters the loop and the statements are executed down to the just before the **until**. The control expression following the **until** (a condition) is tested. If the expression is true (non-zero), flow goes back to the first statement after **do**. If the expression is false (zero), flow proceeds to the statement following the **until**.

Since the controlling expression is executed after the body of the loop, the loop body is always executed at least once, even if the first test of the control expression is false (zero).

A **break** can be used to exit a **do** loop and proceed to the line following the **until**. A **continue** can be used to by-pass the remainder of the body of a **do** loop. A **goto** can be used to jump to another position in the subprogram.

**do** statements can be nested.

Syntax

```
do
    statement(s)
until expression
```

Example A simple do loop.

```
i = 0
do
    move #safe_path[i]
    i = i + 1
until i > 4
```

The loop body executes 5 times, with i having the values 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4. On exit from the loop, i has the value 5.

See Also while, for, loop, break, continue, goto

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## for

Description A looping construct that executes a loop for a defined number of times.

The **for** construct controls the number of times the loop is executed by using an integer variable (a counter) with an initial value, a final value, and the size of step (increment) from initial to final.

Defining the step is optional. If **step** is not specified, it is assumed to be +1.

**Step** can be negative for a decrementing counter. In any event, the specified step *must* be a constant expression.

**For** executes in the following way. The counter variable is initialized to the value of expression\_1. The counter is then tested to see if it is greater than (if step expression\_3 is positive) or less than (if step expression\_3 is negative)

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expression\_2. If so, execution proceeds at the first statement after the end of the loop (after **end for**). The statements in the body of the loop are executed. At the end of these statements the step (expression\_3) is added into the counter. Control then loops back to the condition test and we repeat.

One implication of the way in which the **for** loop is implemented is that it is possible that the body of the loop might never be executed. Consider the following **for** loop:

```
for x = 1 to 0
  printf("This is never printed\n")
end for
```

The loop does nothing, since the test (is x > 0) is true initially, causing the body of the loop to be skipped.

Syntax      `for variable = expression_1 to expression_2 [step expression_3 ]`  
                  `statement(s)`  
                  `end for`

Example      With an increment of 1.

```
for x = 1 to 10
  move #safe[x]
end for
```

**Step** is not specified and is assumed to be + 1. The function **move** is executed 10 times, with x = 1, 2, 3, ... 10. The arm moves from safe location 1 to 2 to 3 ... to 10.

With a decrement of 1.

```
for x = 10 to 1 step -1
  move #safe[x]
end for
```

**Step** is defined as - 1. The function **move** is executed 10 times, with x = 10, 9, 8, ... 1. The arm moves from safe location 10 to 9 to 8 ... to 1.

With an increment of 3.

```
for x = 1 to 11 step 3
  move #safe[x]
end for
```

**Step** is defined as + 3. The function **move** is executed 4 times, with x = 1, 4, 7, and 10. The arm moves from safe location 1 to 4 to 7 to 10. Note that even though the limit expression\_2 is 11, this value is never seen by the body of the loop, since the next value after 10 (13) is in fact beyond the limit.

See Also      do, while, loop

## goto

Description      Jumps to a statement marked with a label.

A label is named with an identifier and follows the rules for identifiers. The label can be before or after the **goto**.

A **goto** can jump only to statements within the **main** program or within the current subprogram (**sub**, **func**, or **command**). A **goto** can neither jump between the main program and a subprogram, nor between subprograms.

**Caution** **Gotos** should be used with caution. Overuse of the **goto** statement can make code extremely difficult to read and debug. Good use of conditionals, loops, **break**, or **continue** can almost always eliminate the need for a **goto**.

**Syntax** The label identifier is followed by two colons. The immediately following statement may be on the same line or the next line.

```
identifier :: statement
```

```
...
goto identifier
```

```
identifier ::
    statement
...
goto identifier
```

**Example** A simple goto.

```
...
label_1::
...
if(query_another_loc()=='Y')
    goto label_1
end if
...
```

The earlier statement declares the label **label\_1**. If the condition in the **if** statement is true, the **goto** directs control to the statement following label\_1.

**See Also** identifiers, break, continue

## if

**Description** A conditional construct which causes a statement to be executed only if a specific condition is true (non-zero). Optional **else** and **elseif** clauses allow 2-way or multi-way branching.

Begins with **if** and ends with **end if**. The use of **then** is optional. Can be used with **else** and with **elseif**.

You can use **if** with **else**, to execute one set of statements if the condition is true, and execute a different set of statements if the condition is false. This construction is a two-way branching (see syntax **(b)**). The **elseif** keyword allows an **if** statement to evaluate several possible conditions in turn creating a multi-way branch like a **case** statement (see syntax **(c)**.)

**If** statements can be arbitrarily nested.

**Syntax** (a) a simple **if** statement:

```
if expression [then]
    statement(s)
end if
```

**(b) if with an else clause**

```

if expression [then]
    statement(s)
else
    statement(s)
end if

```

**(c) if-elseif construction**

```

if expression [then]
    statement(s)
elseif expression
    statement(s)
elseif expression
    statement(s)
else
    statement(s)
end if

```

Example **(a)** This is a simple **if** statement.

```

if (curr_locnum <= num_safe_path_locs) then
    move #safe_path[curr_path_locnum]
end if

```

If the condition is true (`curr_locnum` is less than or equal to `num_locs`), the **move** statement executes. If the condition is false, the program flow proceeds to the line following **end if**.

**(b)** This is an **if** and **else** construction.

```

if (curr_locnum <= num_locs)
    move #safe_path[curr_locnum]
else
    curr_locnum = curr_locnum - 1
end if

```

If the condition is true (`curr_locnum` is less than or equal to `num_locs`), the **move** statement executes. If the condition is false, the statements following **else** execute (`curr_locnum` is decremented by 1).

**(c)** This is one example of nested statements. Inner statements must end before outer statements.

```

if (num==num_locs+1)
    print_msg_screen("Teach new power loc.")
    teach(#power_loc[num])
    num_locs++

    if(num_locs<10)

        if(query_another_power_loc()==`Y`)
            goto lab1
        else
            num_locs=0
        end if

    end if

end if

```

**(d) An `elseif` construction.**

```

if(t==123)

elseif(t<10)

elseif(t>200)

else

end if

```

See Also `case`

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**loop**

Description A looping construct with no condition.

Begins with **loop** and ends with **end loop**.

Since there is no control expression, the loop continues forever until a **break** or if necessary, a **goto**, causes flow to proceed out of the loop.

**loop** statements can be nested.

Syntax

```

loop
    statement(s)
end loop

```

Example In this example, the program prompts and gets a number to identify a location. The prompting and getting continues indefinitely until the user enters a valid number.

```

[1] loop
[2]     printf("Enter location number >")
[3]     readline($str, 10)
[4]     if str_to_int(num, $str) < 0
[5]         print("Invalid number\n")
[6]         continue
[7]     end if
[8]     if((num<0)or(num>20))
[9]         printf("Number is out of range\n")
[10]        continue
[11]    end if
[12]    break           ;; if we get here, we are DONE
[13] end loop

```

Line 2 displays a prompt asking the user to enter the number of the desired location. Lines 3 to 7 read in a string typed by the user and try to convert the string to an integer. If this fails, an error message is printed and a **continue** sends control back to the start of the loop. Lines 8 to 11 verify that the number is in the expected range, displaying an error message and sending control back to the start of the loop if it is not. Lastly, line 12, which is reached only if the number is valid and in range, exits the loop.

See Also `do`, `while`, `for`, `break`, `continue`, `goto`

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**while**

Description A looping construct that tests a condition at the beginning of the loop.

Begins with **while** and ends with **end while**.

The control expression (a condition) is tested. If the control expression is true (non-zero), then flow enters the loop and the statements are executed. At the end, flow goes back to the control expression for the next test. If the expression is

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false (equals zero), flow proceeds to the statement following **end while**.

If the initial test is false (zero), flow never enters the body of the loop and the statements are never executed.

If the control expression never evaluates to zero, or is a non-zero constant, for example `while(1)`, the loop continues indefinitely.

A **break** can be used to exit a **while** loop and proceed to the line following the **end while**. A **continue** can be used to by-pass the remainder of the body of a **while** loop. A **goto** can be used to jump to another position in the program.

**While** statements may be arbitrarily nested.

Syntax     `while expression`  
              `statement(s)`  
              `end while`

Example    A simple while statement.

```
i = 0
while i < 5
    move #safe_path[i]
    i = i + 1
end while
```

The loop body executes 5 times, with **i** having the values 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4. On exit from the loop, **i** has the value 5.

See Also    `do`, `for`, `loop`, `break`, `continue`, `goto`

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# Subroutines, Functions and Commands

RAPL-3 has three distinct kinds of executable objects: subroutines (**subs**), functions (**funcs**), and commands (**commands**). Collectively, **subs**, **funcs**, and **commands** are referred to as subprograms. **main** itself is a special case of a **command** subprogram.

## Subprograms

One way to understand the concept of subprograms is to look at a brief example:

```
[1]  sub sayhello()
[2]      int x
[3]      x = 0
[4]      printf("Hello!\n")
[5]  end sub
[6]
[7]  sub say_n_plus_1(int n)
[8]      printf("n + 1 = {}\n", n + 1)
[9]  end sub
[10]
[11] func int a_plus_b(int a, int b)
[12]     return a + b
[13] end func
[14]
[15] main
[16]     int x, y
[17]     x = 10
[18]     sayhello()
[19]     say_n_plus_1(x)
[20]     y = a_plus_b(1, x)
[21]     printf("x + 1 = {}\n", y)
[22] end main
```

This example defines two **subs** (called `sayhello()` and `say_n_plus_1()`) and one **func** called `a_plus_b()`.

Program execution starts in **main**. Line 16 declares two variables that belong only to **main** (local variables) called `x` and `y`; in line 17, `x` is set to have the value 10.

When line 18 is reached, the subroutine `sayhello()` is executed. `sayhello()` has its own local variable `x`, which it sets to have a value of 0 in line 3. `sayhello()` then executes line 4 which prints a message out on the console. When the end of `sayhello()` is reached, control *returns* to **main** to line 19.

The fact that `sayhello()` has set its variable `x` to be 0 does not change the value of **main**'s variable `x` at all. Any variable declared inside a subprogram is *local* to that subprogram and cannot be changed by any outside means. Variables that are declared outside of any subprogram are accessible to all subprogram and are called *program scope* or simply *program* variables. This concept of *local* and *program* variables is part of *variable scope*.

After `sayhello()` is executed (*called*) by **main**, **main** calls the **sub** `say_n_plus_1()`. One difference between the call to `sayhello()` and the call to `say_n_plus_1()` is that the latter has an expression (`x`) inside the brackets next to the **sub** name. This is an *argument* (or *actual parameter*) to `say_n_plus_1()`. The value of `x` is given (or *passed*) to the subprogram.

Subprogram `say_n_plus_1()` then executes with its variable `n` initially set to 10, since that was the value passed to it by **main**. `n` is a special local variable of `say_n_plus_one()` called a *formal parameter*. *formal parameters* get initial values that are given by the *caller* of the subprogram, in this case, **main**.

At line 8, `say_n_plus_one` now prints out the value of `n + 1`, which is 11 in this case. Control *returns* to **main** at line 20.

In line 20, **main** sets `y` equal to `a_plus_b(1, x)`. This is an example of a *function call*; the **func** `a_plus_b()` is called with the two arguments (1 and 10 (`x`)) just like a **sub** is called. Line 12 is the only line in `a_plus_b()`, and is a **return** statement. For a function, the **return** statement indicates that a value (in this case `a + b` or 11) is to be returned to the calling subprogram. The effect in this example is that `y` gets set to the value that `a_plus_b()` returns, or 11.

This result is printed out at line 21, and the program ends. The rest of this chapter explains in detail the elements of RPL-3 that deal with subprograms.

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# Kinds of Subprograms

## subs

A **sub** (subroutine) is the simplest kind of RAPL-3 subprogram. A **sub** can take any number of arguments (including none), but does not return any value to the calling subprogram. As a result, a **sub** cannot appear inside an expression.

### Declaration Syntax

```
sub sub_identifier ( parameter_list )
    [ declarations and statements... ]
end sub
```

### Calling Syntax

```
sub_identifier(actual_parameter_list)
```

Note that the *actual\_parameter\_list* must match the parameter list in the **sub** declaration. That is, there must be the same number of parameters as those declared, and the types of the expressions must be compatible.

## funcs

A **func** is similar to a **sub** in that it can accept any number of arguments. However, a **func** returns a value to the calling subprogram. In RAPL-3, **funcs** can return any **int**, **float**, **cloc**, **ploc**, **gloc** or pointer type of value (a **func** cannot return a string or structure, but *can* return a pointer to a string or structure.) For example, `a = sin(x) + cos(y)` calls the **sin()** function to compute the value of the sine of variable x, calls the **cos()** function to compute the cosine of variable y, adds the two and then stores the result in variable a.

### Declaration Syntax

```
func type func_identifier ( parameter_list )
    [ declarations and statements... ]
    return value
end func
```

Note that there must be at least one **return** statement that returns the value of the correct type somewhere in the body of the function. Functions can return only int, float, location, or pointer types.

### Calling Syntax

There are two ways to call a function. As part of an expression:

```
... func_identifier(actual_parameter_list)...
```

or by itself as a statement:

```
func_identifier(actual_parameter_list)
```

In the latter form, the compiler will warn that the return value of the function is being ignored (unless warnings are disabled.)

Once again, the *actual\_parameter\_list* must match the parameter list in the **func** declaration.

## commands

A **command** is in many respects identical to a **func int**. Commands must return an integer value, and can appear in expressions just like a **func**. The difference lies in the way that a **command** behaves when it is called as a statement by itself. In this case, the compiler generates code that checks the return value of the command, and if that value is less than zero (negative) it causes an *exception* to be *raised* with the error code equal to the returned value. This provides a default way of handling errors; **commands** that fail should return a negative number describing the error (and *error descriptor*). The system can then handle the error, even if only by aborting the program and issuing an error message.

The section on *structured exception handling* deals with *exceptions*, and with how to handle them, in more detail.

Note that this automatic error check is not performed when the command is used as a function in an expression. This allows the code to look for and handle errors explicitly.

### Declaration Syntax

```
command cmd_identifier ( parameter_list )
    [ declarations and statements... ]
return value
end command
```

Note that there must be at least one **return** statement that returns an integer in the body of the command.

### Calling Syntax

There are two ways to call a command. As part of an expression:

```
... cmd_identifier(actual_parameter_list)...
```

or by itself as a statement:

```
cmd_identifier(actual_parameter_list)
```

The latter form is the more usual. Unlike **functions**, the compiler does not warn about the return value being ignored, since code is automatically generated to check the return value and act upon it if it is negative.

Once again, the *actual\_parameter\_list* must match the parameter list in the **command** declaration.

### Example

Most of the robot and CROS operations are, in fact, commands. A program can move the robot to a given location using the `move()` command like this:

```
move(#this_loc)
```

In this case the system handles any errors that `move()` reports (by means of its return value.) In the following example, we examine and act on the error explicitly:

```
r = move(#this_loc)
if (r < 0)
    ;; take action...
...
end if
```

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**Where main fits in**

The **main** part of a RAPL-3 program is actually a special type of command. It differs from a normal command in three respects:

- (1) It is declared with **main** and **end main**
  - (2) It need not contain a return statement; the compiler automatically inserts a “**return 0**” at the end of **main**. The user is free, however, to return some other value instead.
  - (3) When the program is run, the **main** section is called by the startup code.
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## Parameters

In func, sub and command declarations, the *parameter\_list* part is a comma separated list of individual *parameter\_declarations*, possibly empty. Each *parameter\_declaration* takes the form:

*[var] [type\_declaration] identifier*

If *type\_declaration* is omitted then int is the default.

To the subprogram, the parameter looks like an ordinary local variable. However, its value is set to the *actual parameter* value provided by the caller.

The special optional keyword **var** indicates whether or not changes to the parameter value inside the subprogram change the value of the parameter in the calling subprogram. The default (**var** keyword omitted) does not change the variable outside the subprogram. For example:

```
sub this_routine(float x)
    x = 2.71828                ;; will have no effect on the
                                ;; calling subprogram
end sub

sub that_routine(var float y)
    y = 1.0
end sub

...                ;; in the calling subprogram
this_routine(t)    ;; t is unchanged after this call
that_routine(t)    ;; t is 1.0 after this call
```

## Restrictions on Parameters

**Function** formal parameters (appearing in declarations) that are complex entities like strings, arrays, or structs are treated by the compiler exactly as if they had been declared **var**. (Internally, this is done by passing where the object is instead of the passing the value of the object itself.)

If this kind of complex parameter is not actually declared **var**, then the compiler will generate warnings about any code in the subprogram that modifies the variable. This protects the programmer from inadvertently changing the variable's value in the calling routine.

The compiler also generates a warning if a string constant is used as the actual parameter of a formal "**var** string[]" parameter.

Var parameters can be of any type, but non-var parameters may be only **int**, **float**, **cloc**, **ploc**, **gloc**, or any pointer type. Furthermore, when calling a subprogram, **var** actual parameters must be expressions that might reasonably occur on the left-hand-side of an assignment. For example:

```
sub alpha(var float x) ;; note the var parameter
    ...
end sub

...                ;; in another subprogram
alpha(a[j*i+1])    ;; this is OK
alpha(q)           ;; this is OK
alpha(q+1)         ;; but this is not OK
...
```

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```
sub beta(int[10] a)           ;; this is taken to be
...                          ;; var int[10] a
end sub
```

```
sub gamma(int[10]@ a)        ;; this is OK
...
end sub
```

```
sub delta(var int[10] a)     ;; this is OK
...
end sub
```

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## Func, Sub, and Command Prototypes

Funcs, subs and commands must always be defined *before* they are used in a program. Since it is not always convenient to rearrange a program so that definitions precede uses, a mechanism for *prototyping* subprograms has been provided. A prototype takes the form:

```
proto func_sub_or_command_header
```

For example:

```
proto func int myfunc(int x, float y)      ;; prototypes
proto command qq(int a)
```

```
x = myfunc(t,1.5)                          ;; use of myfunc
qq x                                       ;; and qq
```

```
...
```

```
func int myfunc(int a, float b) ;; actual definition
...                               ;; of myfunc
end func
```

```
command qq(int i)                       ;; actual definition
...                                     ;; of qq
end command
```

Note that the names of the arguments of **myfunc** and **qq** need not match the names in their prototypes, but the number of arguments and their types must match exactly.

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# Libraries

When a RAPL-3 source file (or set of source files) is compiled, the result is a RAPL-3 *module*. If a *module* has a **main** section then it can be run as a *program*. However, some *modules* do not have **main** sections, and instead serve as *libraries*.

A *library* is a compiled RAPL-3 *module* that contains subprograms and variables that can be accessed by other *modules*. Many of the subprograms commonly used in writing RAPL-3 programs are in fact contained in one of several *libraries*. For example, the `move()` command is actually contained in the robot library (`robotlib.r`), and the `printf()` command is actually defined in the system library (`syslib.r`). *Libraries* are used whenever it is likely that a subprogram or variable will be needed by many different programs. The calling programs need only know the names and types of each element in the library in order to use it. This allows details of *how* the library works to be hidden – which is actually good, since this means that subroutines in the library can be revised and improved without affecting the programs that use it.

The only differences between a *library* and a normal program are:

- (1) the *library* usually has no **main** section, and is generally never run by itself.
- (2) the *library* makes some of its variables and/or subprograms visible to other *modules* by declaring them as **global** or **export**. This will be discussed in more detail in the next section.

To use a library with your program, there are three requirements:

- (1) At compile time the compiler must be told which libraries you want to use and must have access to the compiled libraries. See the `-L` option in the compiler documentation. We say that your program was compiled *with reference to* the library.
- (2) the library must be installed where the runtime system can find it. It must either be in the same directory as your program or must be in the `/lib` directory.

# Variable and Subprogram Scope

## A Scope Example

Suppose we have the following declarations in two RAPL-3 programs.

In program1.r3:

```
int test_value
...

func int factorial(int n)
  if n == 0 then
    return 1
  else
    return factorial(n-1)*n
  end if
end func

...    ;; more code
```

In program2.r3:

```
int test_value
global int intglob
export int intexp

export func plusone(x)
  ;; default types are float
  return x+1
end func

global sub do_something()
...
end func
```

Any subprogram in program1 can use and modify the program variable *test\_value* in program1. Furthermore, any subprogram in program2 can use and modify the program variable *test\_value* in program2. These are, however, *two separate variables* and the value of the one in program1 has no connection to the value of the other in program2.

Any subprogram within program1 can call the factorial function. For example, a subprogram of program1 might have:

```
a = factorial(10) ;; compute the factorial of 10
                ;; and store it in a
```

The factorial function is *not* visible to program2, and cannot be called from program2.

Program2's variable *intglob* and sub *do\_something* can be used by any other program in the system, providing they are compiled *with reference to* program2. For example, any subprogram in program1 can modify *intglob* and call *do\_something*, since these objects are both global.

Program1 can also access *intexp* and *plusone()*, provided that it specifies where these functions are to be found. For example, in program1, one could execute the following code:

```
a = program2:plusone(b)
program2:intexp = program2:intexp + 1
```

Alternatively, one can use the **with** statement to avoid having to specify which program to find *plusone* and *intexp* in:

```
with program2
  a = plusone(b)
  intexp = intexp + 1
end with
```

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## Relevant Statements

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### with

Description	The <b>with</b> construction allows the search path of the scanner to be changed to search an imported module first, before normal processing.
	<b>with</b> statements may not be nested.
Syntax	<pre>with <i>modulename</i>   ...statements... end with</pre>
Example	See the scope example.

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### return

Description	<p>The return statement causes control to return to the func, sub, or command that called the current subprogram. Inside a sub, the return statement takes the form:</p> <pre>return</pre> <p>Funcs and commands each return a value, which must be specified in the return statement:</p> <pre>return <i>value_expression</i></pre> <p><b>main</b> can return an integer value. If it does not, a zero value is returned automatically.</p>
Syntax	<pre>return           ;; in a <b>sub</b>  return <i>value</i>    ;; in a <b>func</b> or <b>command</b></pre>
Example	

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# Preprocessor Directives

When a RAPL-3 program is compiled, it actually goes through two distinct stages:

- (1) Preprocessing  
The source code is interpreted by the preprocessor, which produces a temporary file for stage (2). This temporary file has had all comments removed, all **.include** directives replaced by the included files, all macros (defined by **.define**) replaced and all conditional compilation directives (**.ifdef** and **.ifndef**) carried out.
- (2) Translation  
The actual compiler takes the temporary file prepared by stage (1) and converts it into RAPL-3 object code.

Breaking the compilation into two stages allows a great deal of flexibility. These are the kinds of operations that can be performed by taking advantage of the preprocessing stage:

## File Inclusion

It is often inconvenient for a program to be located entirely in one source file. For example, it might make sense to break the program up into a section dealing with moving the robot, a section dealing with the user interface and a section dealing with communication to another machine. The **.include** directive makes this kind of split very simple. For example consider the following 4 source files:

```
In file robot.r3:
    ;; These routines deal with moving the robot
    ...
    ;; end of robot.r3

In file user.r3:
    ;; These routines deal with the user interface
    ...
    ;; end of user.r3

In file comm.r3:
    ;; These routines deal with communications
    ...
    ;; end of comm.r3

In file main.r3:
    ;; Main program
    .include "robot.r3"
    .include "user.r3"
    .include "comm.r3"
    ;; Main's stuff goes here
    ...
    ;; end of main.r3
```

What the actual compiler sees, after the preprocessing step has been run, is this: (we have left comments in for the purposes of this example; in reality, the preprocessing step also deletes all comments.)

```
.1 "main.r3"
;; Main program
.1 "robot.r3"
;; These routines deal with moving the robot
...
;; end of robot.r3
.3 "main.r3"
.1 "user.r3"
;; These routines deal with the user interface
...
;; end of user.r3
.4 "main.r3"
.1 "comm.r3"
;; These routines deal with communications
...
;; end of comm.r3
.5 "main.r3"
;; Main's stuff goes here
...
;; end of main.r3
```

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What has happened is that every time a **.include** directive was encountered, the **.include** was replaced by the *entire file* that was named in the **.include** preprocessor directive. As far as the compiler is concerned, it sees only *one* input file.

You will note the rather odd constructions on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, etc. lines which are of the form:

```
.number "filename"
```

These are understood by the compiler to mean that the next line of text actually comes from the given line of the given file. This allows error messages during compilation to match up with the actual lines in your source files. Note that the preprocessor generates these automatically for us.

## Macro Substitution

The preprocessor provides a *macro substitution* facility that has a similar effect to the named constant (**const**) capabilities of the language. However, preprocessor macros work by direct string replacement, allowing a symbol to be replaced with any arbitrary string. (RAPL-3 does not presently support macros with parameters.) Consider this example:

```
.define NAME      "Joe"
.define NUMBER    1234
.define WHICH     func1

...

printf("The name is {}, and the number is {}\n", NAME, NUMBER)
WHICH(NUMBER)

...
```

After being run through the preprocessor, this sample looks like this to the compiler:

```
...

printf("The name is {}, and the number is {}\n", "Joe", 1234)
func1(1234)

...
```

The **.define** lines are replaced by blanks; the preprocessor strips them out of the file. Since the symbol NAME has been defined to be the characters **"Joe"** (including the quotes), everywhere NAME appears it gets replaced by this string.

Note that while something similar to the printf() in the 7<sup>th</sup> line could have been done using name constants (via **const**), the call to func1() in the 8<sup>th</sup> line could not.

Note also the symbols that were **.defined** are never seen by the translation part of the compilation. As far as the RAPL-3 language is concerned, these symbols do not exist; they are relevant only to the preprocessor.

## Conditional Compilation

The preprocessor can be used to effect *conditional compilation*, allowing one set of source code to produce several different versions of program. This is often useful, particularly for debugging purposes. Consider this example:

```
// Define this to enable debugging code:
#define DEBUG

...
main
#ifdef DEBUG
    printf("Debugging version\n")
#else
    printf("Normal version\n")
#endif
... lots of code here ...
#ifdef DEBUG
    printf("debug: result was {}\n", n)
#endif
... more code here ...
```

After the preprocessing stage, this looks like this:

```
...
main

    printf("Debugging version\n")

... lots of code here ...

    printf("debug: result was {}\n", n)

... more code here ...
```

The **.ifdef** directive allows code to be selectively included in the output of the preprocessor if a symbol is *defined* – that is, if there has been a **.define** for that symbol before the **.ifdef** in the source code. Note that the first printf() was included in the output because the symbol `DEBUG` had been defined in the 2<sup>nd</sup> line. The second printf() is **not** included because it is in the **.else** clause of the **.ifdef DEBUG**.

Using this technique it is possible to simply leave debugging code in your program and turn it off (by commenting out the **.define DEBUG**, for example) once the program has been debugged. If problems occur later with the program, the debugging code is still there and can be easily turned back on.

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# Preprocessor Directives in General

## Placement

Preprocessor directives can be interspersed with other parts of the program.

## Syntax

*.preprocessor\_directive [arguments]*

On a line, a preprocessor directive cannot be preceded by anything except blank spaces. Each preprocessor directive begins with a dot. The entire line is processed by the preprocessor. Definitions may not extend over more than one line.

## Comments

Comments are stripped from the input file.

## Strings

The preprocessor recognizes that `"` and `"` (double quotes) delimit strings. No macro expansions will be performed on text within `"` and `"`.

## Special Symbols

The following two macros are always defined by the preprocessor, and will be replaced by their appropriate values:

<code>__LINE__</code>	the current line # in the current source file
<code>__FILE__</code>	the current source file as a quoted string

For example, if you place this in your program:

```
printf("I am at line {} of file {}\n", __LINE__, __FILE__)
```

the effect will be to have the program print out a message giving what source line and source file the `printf()` was located on.

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# The Preprocessor Directives

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## **.define**

Description	Creates a preprocessor symbol. If no value is specified for the symbol, the preprocessor will set the value of the new symbol to be "1" (without the quotes.)
Syntax	<code>.define [ <i>symbol</i> ]</code> <code>.define [ <i>symbol</i> ] [ <i>value</i> ]</code>
Examples	<code>.define TRUE 1</code> <code>.define DEBUG</code>

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## **.error**

Description	Forces the preprocessor to issue an error message
Syntax	<code>.error [ <i>message</i> ]</code>
Example	<code>.ifndef IMPORTANT</code> <code>.error The symbol IMPORTANT must be defined!</code> <code>.endif</code>  This can be used to make sure that a particular preprocessor symbol (like IMPORTANT in the above example) is actually defined.

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## **.ifdef**

Description	Conditionally includes source if <i>symbol</i> is defined. Can be used with an.else clause.
Syntax	<code>.ifdef [ <i>symbol</i> ]</code> <i>lines of source code to be included if symbol is defined</i> <code>.endif</code> <code>.ifdef [ <i>symbol</i> ]</code> <i>lines of source code to be included if symbol is defined</i> <code>.else</code> <i>lines of source code to be include if symbol is not defined</i> <code>.endif</code>
Example	See the introduction.

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## **.ifndef**

Description	Conditionally includes source if [symbol] is <b>not</b> defined. Can be used with .else clause.
Syntax	<code>.ifndef [ <i>symbol</i> ]</code> <i>lines of source code to be included if symbol is not defined</i> <code>.endif</code> <code>.ifndef [ <i>symbol</i> ]</code> <i>lines of source code to be included if symbol is not defined</i> <code>.else</code> <i>lines of source code to be include if symbol is defined</i> <code>.endif</code>

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## **.include**

Description	<p>The <b>.include</b> directive inserts text contained in one source file into the current source file at compile time.</p> <p>Around the filename <code>" "</code> (double quotes) are required. The filename is identified by the programmer. When the program is compiled, the contents of the file <i>filename</i> replace the <b>.include</b> line.</p> <p>This form searches the current dir first.</p>
Syntax	<code>.include " filename "</code>
Example	see the introduction

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## **.number "filename"**

Description	Forces a line to be recognized as line <i>number</i> of file <i>filename</i> .
Syntax	<code>.number "filename"</code>
Example	see the introduction

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## **.undef**

Description	Deletes a preprocessor symbol definition.
Syntax	<code>.undef [ symbol ]</code>

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## Using the Compiler from the Command Line

It is often useful to be able to run the RAPL-3 compiler from a command line instead of from ROBCOMM3. This is particularly useful for large projects with many source files, where tools like **make** are used to build the project.

The compiler is typically located, for example, in “C:\Program Files\CRS Robotics\RAPL-3\bin”, and is called **r3c**. (**RAPL-3 Compiler**.)

Command line syntax    `r3c [-options] input_file_name`

Options

- `-o output_file_name`  
send output to a particular file; the default is **r.out**
- `-e error_file_name`  
send all error messages to the specified file
- `-?`  
print a help message
- `-h`  
same as `-?`
- `-fstack=number`  
set the running stack size of the program to *number* words
- `-Wall`  
enable all reasonable warnings
- `-Wmax`  
enable even possibly unreasonable warnings
- `-Wnone`  
disable all warnings
- `-v`  
be verbose; print lots of information about what is happening
- `-Dsymbol`  
make the preprocessor act as if *symbol* had been **.defined**
- `-Dsymbol=value`  
make the preprocessor act as if *symbol* had been **.defined**
- `-O0`  
don't perform any code optimization
- `-O1`  
perform basic optimizations (default)
- `-s`  
reduce compiled code size by **stripping** out any symbols
- `-x`  
**exclude** all symbols except **global** and **export** symbols

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# Structured Exception Handling

RAPL-3 **commands** provide a means of automatically handling errors. If a command is called like this:

```
thecommand(x, y, z)
```

then the RAPL-3 compiler generates code that automatically checks the command's return value. If the value is negative (less than zero) an *exception* has occurred.

When an exception occurs, the default way of handling it is for the program to stop and an error message to be printed out. This message typically looks like:

```
Exception raised at line 123 of myprog.r3: file not found
```

Note that the system typically can report the source line and file where the exception occurred. It also attempts to interpret the return code as an *error descriptor*, and reports the error as the equivalent descriptive string.

One way of explicitly dealing with exceptions in a program is to simply check the return value of all commands. For example:

```
t = thecommand(x, y, z)
if (t < 0)
    ...error recovery...
end if
```

This can be very tedious and can make the code quite difficult to read, as every command will tend to have at least 3 extra lines of code after it to handle possible errors.

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## try-except Construct

*Structured Exception Handling* provides a much neater and simpler way of handling exception in program execution. Consider this short example:

```
try
    ...
    thecommand(x, y ,z)
    thatcommand(z, y)
    thiscommand()
    ...
except
    ...error recovery code...
end try
```

The **try-except** construct allows the way the system reacts to exceptions to be changed in the region between the **try** and the **except**. If one of the commands in this section fails (returning a -ve number) then control is immediately transferred into the **except** part of the construct. The program can then find out what the error code was and even where it happened, and can take corrective action. (Note that the **except** part is *only* executed if an exception happens. If the program reaches the end of the **try** section successfully, then execution continues after the **end try**.)

There are, in fact, four things the **except** part of the **try-except** construct can do:

1. Simply do nothing, and allow control to pass to the statement following the **end try**.
2. Force the program to go back and execute the entire **try** section from the start, using the special **retry** keyword.
3. Force the program to execute the failing statement over again from its start using the **resume** keyword. For example, if `thatcommand()` had failed, then **resume** would go back and continue execution at `thatcommand()` again.
4. Force the program to continue execution at the statement following the one that failed using the **ignore** keyword. For example, if `thatcommand()` had failed, then **ignore** would force execution to continue from the next line, at `thiscommand()`.

## Syntax

The syntax of a structured exception handling section is:

```
try
    statements
except
    exception_handling_statements
end try
```

On entry to the block, *statements* are executed in the usual way. If an exception occurs (a command fails) then execution is transferred to the **except** section.

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A subprogram can have at most one active **try** block at a time. That is, **try** blocks cannot be nested within a subprogram, although from within a **try** block, one subprogram can call another one which also uses **try** blocks.

**Gotos** are not allowed inside **try-except** blocks. You can, however, **break**, **continue**, **return** or **raise** to get out of the block.

You cannot define a label inside a **try-except** block, consequently cannot **goto** into the middle of the block.

If an exception occurs *inside* the **except** part of the **try-except** block, then the exception is handled by the next level up of **try-except** block, or by the system (aborting with an error message) if there is no next level up.

Within the **except** section, the following special keywords are valid:

**retry**

go back to the start of the **try** block and do the entire block over again.

**resume**

go back to the statement that caused the exception and continue execution. This allows the offending statement to be re-executed.

**ignore**

go back to the statement *following* the one that caused the exception and continue execution

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## Related Keywords and Subprograms

The following keywords and subprograms are related to exception handling:

Keywords:

`raise`

Functions:

`error_code()`, `error_addr()`, `error_line()`, `error_file()`

`addr_to_line()`, `addr_to_file()`

Commands:

`abort()`

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# Library Subprograms

The libraries contain predefined subroutines, functions, and commands used to perform common programming tasks.

This chapter contains

- **General**  
general information about libraries, return values, and naming conventions
  - **RAPL-II to RAPL-3**  
a mapping of functionality from RAPL-II to RAPL-3 for users who are familiar with RAPL-II
  - **Subprograms: Categories**  
a description of each category, material common to subprograms in that category, and a list of each subprogram in that category
  - **Subprograms: Alphabetical**  
a detailed description of each subprogram, listed alphabetically
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# General

## Libraries

The subprograms are contained in several CRS-supplied libraries. Since these subprograms have global scope, you do not have to explicitly include a CRS-supplied library to use one of these subprograms, except for the teach pendant library.

### Teach Pendant Library

Subprograms in the teach pendant library have export scope. You must explicitly name the teach pendant library when using a teach pendant subprogram. Details are with those subprograms.

## Return Values and Errors

Return values less than 0 indicate an error condition. Error codes are listed in the Error Handling section.

## Subprogram Names

Names of subroutines, functions, and commands follow these conventions.

### Naming Conventions

The first component is the general family of item, such as **string** or **location**.

The second component is the specific sub-family, often the object being dealt with, such as **character**, **length**, **limit**, cartesian **data**, or precision **data**.

The last component is the operation, such as **get**, **set**, **find**, or reverse **find**.

The \_ (underscore) character is used as a separator.

```
str_chr_get()  
str_chr_set()  
str_chr_find()  
str_chr_rfind()  
str_len()  
str_len_set()  
str_limit()  
str_limit_set()  
  
loc_cdata_get()  
loc_cdata_set()  
loc_pdata_get()  
loc_pdata_set()
```

### Exceptions

Where there is only one operation of interest, such as a query, there is no operation named.

```
str_len()  
str_limit()
```

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Where a family, sub-family, or operation is obvious, it is not included. Instances include all arm motion commands and all math functions.

```
depart
move
jog
yaw
ln
sin
sqrt
mem_alloc
mem_free
time_set
```

Where there is only one sub-family, the underscore may be omitted.

```
griptype_set
gripdist_get
```

Where the name is an alias for another subprogram, components may be changed or omitted.

```
jog_w(JOG_X,D)          xw(D)
```

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## RAPL-II to RAPL-3

The following are the equivalent RAPL-II and RAPL-3 commands.

In some cases functionality is identical. In other cases functionality is different.

Some RAPL-II commands have been split into two or more RAPL-3 commands.

RAPL-II	RAPL-3	ash	system shell	
ABORT	abort()		kill	
ABS	fabs(), iabs()			
ACOS	acos()			
ACTUAL [cartesian or precision]	pos_get(POSITION_ACTUAL) (precision)	actual		
ALIGN	align()	align()		
ALLOC [allocates, repartitions, sorts, verifies, ...]	mem_alloc() [only allocates, clears memory]			
ANALOG [value of voltage on analog input channel]	analog()			
AOUT [manipulates analog output]	aout()			
APPRO	appro() appros()	appro		
ARM [enables, disables arm power relay]	robot_flag_enable() open( "\dev\estop"... abort()	enable		
ASIN	asin()			
ATAN2	atan2()			
CIRCLE	circle()	circle		
CLOSE	grip_close()	gripclose		
COMP XCOMP YCOMP ZCOMP OCOMP ACOMP TCOMP	loc_cdata_get() loc_pdata_get()			
CONFIG	ioctl() [put options]		siocfg	
COPY			cp, copy	
COS	cos()			
CPATH	cpath()	cpath		
CTPATH	ctpath()	ctpath		
CUT [only deletes characters]	str_edit() [deletes or inserts characters]			
DECODE	str_to_int()			
DEG	deg()			

DELAY	delay() msleep()			
DELETE, DEPROG	unlink()		rm, del	
DEPART	depart() departs()	depart		
DIR			ls, dir	
DISABLE	robot_flag_enable()	disable		
DLOCN		erase eraseall		
DO	do [flow control]			
DVAR		erase eraseall		
EDIT			editor of Robcomm3	
ELBOW [A255]	stance_set(... elbow ...) testing	pose/ setstance	pose/ setstance	
ENABLE	robot_flag_enable()	enable		
ENCODE [int to string for printing]	snprintf(), sprintf()			
END	[flow control]			
EXECUTE	execl() execv()	run <i>filename</i>	<i>filename</i>	
FINISH	finish()	finish		
FREE	heap_space() [longest contiguous free area in heap]	mem [in memory] df [on file system]		
GETCH [returns character code at serial input]	read() getch()			
GOPATH	ctpath_go()	gopath		
GOSUB	[call to sub, func, or command]			
GOTO	goto [flow control]			
GRIP	gripdist_set(), grip()	grip		
HALT	halt()			
HERE	here()	here		
HOME	home()		home	
HOMEGRIP	homegrip()		homegrip	
HOMESEQ	seekswitch()		seekswitch	
HOMEZC	homezc()		homezc	
IF	if [flow control]			
IFPOWER	if robotispowered() ...			
IFSIG	if input() ...			
IFSTART	fpstart(), front panel library			

IFSTRING	if [comparing string variables or constants]			
INBOUNDS [is location in bounds]	inbounds()			
INPUT	input() read() [with stdin or other parameter] reads() readsa()	input		
INT [returns closest integer value]				
INVERT [invert Z, leave X and Y, of coord system]]	invert()		invert	
JOG	jog_w() wx(), wy(), wz(), xrot(), yrot(), zrot()  jog_ws() wxs(), wys(), wzs(), xrots(), yrots(), zrots()	jog		
JOINT	joint()		joint	
KBHIT [character exists, to be read from serial input]	kbhit()			
LIMP	limp()		limp	
LISTL, LLOC		list [in .v3] print [in .v3]		
LISTP, LPROG			ls, dir	
LISTV, LVAR		list [in .v3] print [in .v3]		
LN	ln()			
LOCK	lock()	lock		
LOG	log()			
MA [move to absolute angles]	moveabsolute()		moveabs	
MAGRIP [force applied by magnetic gripper]	grip()		grip	
MI [move by increments of angles]	moveincrement()		moveinc	
MOD [function]	mod [operator]			
MOTOR	motor()		motor	
MOVE	move() moves()	move		
NOLIMP	nolimp()	nolimp	nolimp	
NOTRACE	abort()			
OFFSET	base_set() base_get()			
ONLINE	online()	online		
ONPOWER	loop ... if ... robotispowered() ... delay()			



ONSIG	loop ... if input() ... delay()			
ONSTART	read( "\\dev\\buttons"... front panel library			
OPEN	grip_open()	gripen	open	
OUTPUT	output()		output	
PASTE [only inserts characters]	str_edit [deletes or inserts characters]			
PAUSE	signal() ... input() ... if ...			
PENDANT [gives and takes control]		pendant		
PITCH	pitch() jog_t(TOOL_PITCH, ...)  pitchs() jog_ts(TOOL_PITCH, ...)	pitch		
POINT	loc_cdata_set() loc_pdata_set()  point()	set [location = location]		
POSE [A465,G3000]	stance_set()		pose setstance	
POW	pow()			
PRINTF	printf()			
RAD	rad()			
RANDOM [returns random number]	random()			
REACH [A255]	stance_set()		pose setstance	
READY	ready()	ready	ready	
RENAME			mv, move	
RETURN	return [from sub, func, or command]			
ROLL	roll() jog_t(TOOL_ROLL, ...)  rolls() jog_ts(TOOL_ROLL, ...)	roll		
RUN [default is last program executed]		run <i>filename</i> [default is application name]	<i>filename</i>	
SERIAL	ioctl() [get options]		siocfg	
SET	= [assignment]  operators	set		
SHIFT [alter X, Y, Z of cartesian location]	get/change/move translations only		shift	
SHIFTA [alter all 8 coordinates of cartesian loc.]	shift_w()		shift	
SIN	sin()			
SPEED	speed_set(), speed()	speed	speed	

	speed_get(), speed(-1)			
SQRT	sqrt()			
SRANDOM [returns random number and reseeds]	seed() (reseeds)			
STATUS			status servostat sysstat	
STRPOS [finds substring in string]	str_chr_find [finds character in string]			
SYSTEM			sysstat	
TAN	tan()			
TEACH			pendant	
TIME	mtime() time() delay()		date	
TOOL	tool_set() tool_get()	tool	tool	
TRIGGER [activate output at location]	settrigger() ??		trigger	
TRUNC [truncates and returns integer]	(int) typecast			
UNLOCK	unlock()	unlock		
UNTIL	do ... until [flow control]			
W0	pos_get(), xforms	w0	w0	
W1	pos_get(), xforms	w1	w1	
W2	pos_get(), xforms	w2	w2	
W3	pos_get(), xforms	w3	w3	
W4	pos_get(), xforms	w4	w4	
W5	pos_get(), xforms	w5	w5	
WAIT	while input()...			
WE1		w1	w1	
WE3		w3	w3	
WGRIP	gripdist_get()	wgrip		
WHILE	while [flow control]			
WITH				
X	movex()	movex	movex	
XREADY	ready()		ready	
XZERO	zero()		zero	
Y	movey()	movey	movey	
YAW	yaw() jog_t(TOOL_YAW, ...)  yaws() jog_ts(TOOL_YAW, ...)	yaw	yaw	

Z	movez()	movez	movez	
@ACCEL	accel_get(), accels_get() accel_set(), accels_set()		accel	
@@CAL	calibrate()		cal	
@@CALGR	grip_cal()		calgrip	
@@CALSEQ	homeseq()		homeseq	
@@CALZC	calzc()		calzc	
@CALRDY	calrdy()		calready	
@CLINACC	linacc_get() linacc_set()		linacc	
@CLINSPD	linspd_get() linspd_set()		linspd	
@CROTACC	linacc_get() linacc_set()		linacc	
@CROTSPD	linspd_get() linspd_set()		linspd	
@@DIAG			diagnostics	
@GAIN	gains_set() gains_get()		gain	
@LOCATE	pos_set()		locate	
@MAXSPD	maxvel_set(), maxvels_set() maxvel_get(), maxvels_get()		maxvel	
@SEEK	seek()			
@SERVERR	get_servoerr_params() set_servoerr_params()			
@@SETUP	split into relevant sections			
@TRACK	track_spec_set()		setnoa	
@XLIMITS	jointlim_get() jointlim_set()		limits	
@XLINKS	linklen_get(), linklen_set()		linklen	
@XMAXVEL	maxvel_set() maxvel_get()		maxvel	
@@XNET	transputernet()			
@XPULSES	xpulses_get(), xpulses_set()			
@XRATIO	xratio_get() xratio_set()			
@ZERO	zero() pos_set()		zero	



# Subprograms: Category Listing

These lists give an overview of subprograms by category and can be helpful for comparing related subprograms. Since a category is focussed on one set of tasks, some subprograms are listed under more than one category.

In these category listings, the descriptions of the subprograms are very brief. For a complete description, see the subprogram listing under the alphabetical listing.

On the following pages, subprograms are grouped under the following categories.

## **Analog Input**

### **Calibration**

Calibrating arm and gripper.

### **Configuration File Handling**

### **Date and Time**

Current time and date. Elapsed time in milliseconds.

### **Device Input and Output**

### **Digital Input and Output**

### **Environment Variables**

### **Error Message Handling**

Subprograms for handling error descriptors returned from subprogram calls.

### **File and Device System Management**

Creating and deleting directories and objects in the file system. Mounting another file system on a directory.

### **File Input and Output**

Input and output for files and devices: opening, closing, reading, writing, both unformatted and formatted with format specifiers listed. Input and output for other objects is under Device Input and Output. Input and Output for sockets is under Multi-tasking.

Subcategories include:

- Formatted Input

- Unformatted Input

- Formatted Output

- Unformatted Output

### **Front Panel**

Configuring the front panel for custom operation.

### **Gripper**

Operating the gripper.

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**Home**

Homing the robot (for A465 and A255).

**Location**

Packing data from a location to an array and from an array to a location. Converting one type of location to another. Shifting locations in world or tool frame.

Subcategories include:

- Kinematic Conversion

- Data Manipulation

- Flags

**Math**

Trigonomic, logarithmic, and other math functions. Converting radians to degrees and degrees to radians.

**Memory**

Allocating and freeing memory. Determining and setting heap.

**Motion**

Subprograms designed to initiate robot motion.

**Pendant**

Reading characters and writing strings at the pendant. Manipulating the cursor and screen. Manipulating variables from the teach pendant.

**Pointer Conversion and Function Pointers**

Special subprograms to convert pointers to variables and to call functions using a pointer.

**Robot Configuration**

Configuring the arm: number of axes, velocities, accelerations, gains, travel limits, link lengths. etc.

**Signals**

Sending signals. Setting actions dependant on signals. Determining and setting signal masks.

**Stance**

Subprograms to adjust the robot stance. RAPL-3 uses the term “stance” for a specific set of joint angles used when reaching a location.

**Status****String Manipulation**

Editing, appending, copying, etc. of strings. Determining and converting case of characters and strings. Converting strings to other data types and other types to strings.

**System Process Control**

Subcategories include:

- Single and Multiple Processes

- Operating System Management

- Point of Control and Observation

**ToolTransform and Base Offset**

Base offsets and tool transform.

**V3 Files**

The v3 subprograms allow a program to modify a v3 file.

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**Win 32**

These Win 32 commands allow a CROSnt process to communicate with a process in the Windows NT environment.

## Analog Input

<code>analog_get</code>	Retrieves the values of the eight analog inputs on the C500C controller.
<code>boardtemp_get</code>	Retrieves the C500C main board temperature, in degrees Celsius.



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## Calibration

<code>calibrate</code>	Calibrates axes.
<code>calrdy</code>	Moves the arm to the calibrate position.
<code>calzc</code>	Calibrates at next zero cross.
<code>grip_cal</code>	Calibrates the gripper.
<code>hsw_offset_get</code>	Returns the offset between homing switch and calibration position.
<code>motor</code>	Rotates a motor by a specified number of encoder pulses.
<code>pos_get</code>	Gets the position of the arm
<code>pos_set</code>	Sets the position of the arm
<code>ready</code>	Moves the arm to the READY position.
<code>zero</code>	Sets current motor position registers to 0.

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## Configuration File Handling

<code>cfg_load</code>	Loads a text configuration file for the current application.
<code>cfg_load_fd</code>	Loads a configuration information from a file that is already open.
<code>cfg_save</code>	Re-writes a configuration file for the current application.
<code>cfg_save_fd</code>	Re-writes a configuration file for the current application.

## Date and Time

<code>mtime</code>	Obtains the time since system start-up.
<code>time</code>	Returns the current time.
<code>time_set</code>	Sets the current time.
<code>time_to_str</code>	Converts a system time code to an ASCII string.

## Device Input and Output

<code>chmod</code>	Changes access mode information about a file or device.
<code>fprint</code>	Writes the specifies data to the file associated wth file descriptor <code>fd</code> .
<code>fprintf</code>	Converts and writes output to a device or file.
<code>freadline</code>	Reads (interactively) a line of characters from a file and echoes to a file.
<code>ioctl</code>	I/O control operation. Used to configure and control a device.
<code>mknod</code>	Makes a special node.
<code>open</code>	Opens a file or device and returns a file descriptor.
<code>rcv</code>	Receives words from a socket.
<code>send</code>	Sends specified number of words into the socket
<code>sigfifo</code>	Sends a signal to all of the readers at the other end of a fifo
<code>socketpair</code>	Gets a pair of file descriptors for a private client and server socket

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## Digital Input and Output

<code>input</code>	Returns the state of an input.
<code>inputs</code>	Returns an int that represents the bitmapped state of the digital inputs.
<code>net_in_get</code>	Reads input data from the F3 end of arm I/O boards.
<code>net_ins_get</code>	Reads all input data from the F3 end of arm I/O boards.
<code>net_out_set</code>	Sets a specified F3 end of arm output to a specified value.
<code>net_outs_get</code>	Gets the current state of a set of F3 end of arm outputs.
<code>net_outs_set</code>	Allows several F3 end of arm outputs to be set to a specified state at the same time.
<code>output_get</code>	Queries an output channel for its state. Returns the state.
<code>output_pulse</code>	Sets an output channel to one state, waits, and then sets the channel to the opposite state.
<code>output</code> <code>output_set</code>	Sets an output channel to a state.
<code>outputs</code> <code>outputs_set</code>	Sets the entire bank of output channels to states of a bitmapped value.
<code>outputs_get</code>	Queries the bank of output channels. Returns an int that represents the bitmapped state of the outputs.

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## Environment Variables

<code>environ</code>	Allows to retrieve each individual string from its environment.
<code>getenv</code>	Allows to retrieve the value of a specified environment string.
<code>setenv</code>	Creates/redefines an environment variable's value.
<code>time_to_str</code>	Converts a system time code to an ASCII string.
<code>unsetenv</code>	Deletes the selected environment string.

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## Error Message Handling

Rapl-3 commands always return a value. A positive return value indicates that the command completed successfully. A negative return value indicates an error. Errors are designated by `_error_descriptors_`. Commands upon failure return the negative value of the specific error descriptor.

For example:

```
int t
t = open(...)    ;; t is assigned the return value from the open command
if (t < 0)
    ;; it FAILED
    printf("The error descriptor is {}\n", -t)    ;; Print error descriptor
    printf("And it means '{}'\n", str_error(-t)) ;; Print error message
end if
```

The error descriptor (-t) is a 32 bit value, divided into 4 fields, with the following bit description.

msb	lsb
[ subsystem:7 ]	[ b2:8 ] [ b1:8 ] [ code:8 ]

The Subsystem field defines the part of the system where the error originated. For example, the kernel is subsystem 0, the robot library is subsystem 1 and the robot server is subsystem 2.

Code identifies the specific error code for the given subsystem. Each subsystem has associated with it a specific list of error codes. For example, code 1 is "general error" for the kernel subsystem, and is "illegal straight line move" for the robot library subsystem.

The error codes (and their translations) are located in a set of files in the `/lib/errors` directory. The file names are of a standard form, `sysNNN.err`, where NNN is a 3-digit 0-padded decimal number defining the subsystem. For example, kernel errors are contained in the `sys000.err` file, robot library errors in `sys001.err`, robot server in `sys002.err`.

The format of these files are standard. As a result given the error descriptor the error code can be determined. The first line of the subsystem `sysNNN.err` file contains the subsystem name. The subsequent lines contain, in sequence, the error code number EEE and an error translation.

Line 1:	Subsystem name
Following lines:	EEE error translation string

Where EEE is a 3-digit zero-padded decimal number corresponding to the specific code of the error descriptor. Within the error translation string, the system recognizes two special sequences: "\$1" and "\$2". On printing errors containing these strings, the system will replace the \$1 and \$2 with the decimal values of b1 and b2, respectively. For example, consider the following hypothetical error translation file, say, `sys064.err`:

```
This_Demo System
001 Idiotic error
002 Not-so idiotic error
003 Error on robot axis $1 (I think)
004 Error on axis $2 from module $1
005 Oops!
```

When an error descriptor corresponding to the This\_Demo System error 004 [0x04060504] is translated using the function `str_error()`, the error result is "Error on axis 6 from module 5".

Given the error descriptor returned from a failed function call the specific error code can be determined using the error handling functions. As a consequence a listing of the subsystems and their error codes are not explicitly listed. The list of errors can be obtained from `sysNNN.err` files in the `/lib/errors` directory.

The Kernel subsystem (subsystem 0) error code are specifically returned in some subprograms to denote errors. An enum type `error_code_t` defines the kernel subsystem errors as follows:

EOK	=	0	no error
ENOENT	=	2	no such file or directory
ESRCH	=	3	no process with that pid number
EINTR	=	4	interrupted system call
EIO	=	5	input/output error
ENXIO	=	6	no device
E2BIG	=	7	too many arguments or too long an argument area
ENOEXEC	=	8	file is not an executable
EBADF	=	9	bad file descriptor
ECHILD	=	10	no child process
EPERM	=	11	permission denied
ENOMEM	=	12	not enough memory
EACCESS	=	13	access denied
EBUSY	=	16	resource busy
EEXIST	=	17	file exists
EXDEV	=	18	link across devices attempted
ENODEV	=	19	operation not supported by device
ENOTDIR	=	20	tried to search a non-directory
EISDIR	=	21	tried to open a directory for writing
EINVAL	=	22	invalid argument
ENFILE	=	23	too many open files on the system
EMFILE	=	24	too many open files for this process
ENOTTY	=	25	inappropriate ioctl()
ETXTBSY	=	26	executable text file busy
ENOSPC	=	28	device out of space
ESPIPE	=	29	illegal operation on fifo or socket
ERANGE	=	34	result out of range
EAGAIN	=	35	resource temporarily unavailable
ETIMEOUT	=	37	timed out
ENOTSOCK	=	39	tried to send/rcv on a non-socket
ENOSERV	=	40	tried to access a socket with no server

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ENOCLIENT	=	41	server tried to talk to a client that no longer exists or has closed the socket.
ERESET	=	42	device is being reset
ENOTEMPTY	=	43	attempted to delete a non-empty directory
EOPNOTSUPP	=	45	operation not supported

The fields b2, b1 define extra data required to report specific errors. The fields b1 and b2 are not used for all (or even many) error descriptors. If not used each of the bits is set to 0. As an example, when an "axis N out" error is reported, b1 carries the number of the axis that is out.

### Error Descriptors Command Summaries

The following subprograms exist for handling error descriptors:

addr_decode	Looks up the address specified in the line number tables and decodes it into a line and file.
addr_to_file	Converts an address to a file name string.
addr_to_line	Converts an address to a line number.
err_compare	Compares two error descriptors for matching subsystem and error code fields.
err_compose	The function reconstructs and returns the original error descriptor
err_get_b1	Given a +ve error descriptor, returns the value of b1.
err_get_b2	Given a +ve error descriptor, returns the value of b2.
err_get_code	Given a +ve error descriptor, returns the value of the errorcode.
err_get_subsys	Given a +ve error descriptor, returns the number of the subsystem originating it.
error_addr	Returns the address where the current exception occurred.
error_code	Get the current exceptions error code
error_file	Returns the name of the file where the current error resides.
error_line	Gets the line number of the current error.
str_error	Returns a pointer to a string that describes an error code.
str_subsys	Returns a string giving the name of the subsystem originating a given error code.

Warning: The str\_error() and str\_subsys() routines share a static string variable for storing their return values. They cannot be called in the same print() or printf(). For example:

```
printf(".....", str_subsys(...), str_error(...))
```

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will NOT work as expected; always break these function calls into separate `printf()` statements.

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# File Input and Output

Input and output for files: opening, closing, reading, writing, both unformatted and formatted with format specifiers listed. Input and output for devices such as sockets, pipes and fifos is found in the Device Input and Output category.

## Format Specifiers

The format string may consist of two different objects, normal characters which are directly copied to the file descriptor, and conversion braces which print the arguments to the descriptor. The conversion braces take the format:

```
{ [ flags ] [ field width ] [ .precision ] [ x | X ] }
```

## Flags

Flags that are given in the conversion can be the following (in any order):

- - (minus sign) specifies left justification of the converted argument in its field.
- + (plus sign) specifies that the number will always have a sign.
- 0 (zero) in numeric conversions causes the field width to be padded with leading zeros.

## Field width

The field width is the minimum field that the argument is to be printed in. If the converted argument has fewer characters than the field, then the argument is padded with spaces (unless the 0 (zero) flag was specified) on the left (or on the right if the - (minus sign) was specified). If the item takes more space than the specified field width, then the field width is exceeded.

## .precision

The precision number specifies the number of characters in a string, the number of significant digits in a float, or the maximum number of digits in an integer to be printed.

## x or X

This is the hexadecimal flag which specifies whether or not an integer argument should be printed in hexadecimal (base 16) or not. The lowercase x specifies lowercase letters (abcde) are to be used in the hexadecimal display and the uppercase X specifies uppercase letters (ABCDE)..

A character sequence of { { means to print the single { (opening brace) character.

## Unformatted Input

<code>freadline</code>	Reads (interactively) a line of characters from a file and echoes to a file.
<code>read</code>	Reads a number of words (4 byte entities) from a file descriptor.
<code>readline</code>	Reads (interactively) a line of characters from the standard input device, normally the terminal keyboard. Echoes to the standard output device, the terminal screen.
<code>reads</code>	Reads a string from a file.
<code>readsa</code>	Reads a string from a file and appends it to the end of another string.
<code>seek</code>	Provides a method to move through a file arbitrarily rather than sequentially.

## Formatted Input

<code>str_scanf</code>	Separates the contents of a string according to a specified format and places them into a list of pointers.
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## Unformatted Output

<code>fprint</code>	Writes data to a file, exactly as given.
<code>print</code>	Writes data to the standard output device, normally the terminal screen, exactly as given.
<code>snprint</code>	Writes data to a string, exactly as given.
<code>write</code>	Writes words (4 byte entities) to a file descriptor.
<code>writeread</code>	Atomically writes words to a file descriptor and reads words from a file descriptor.
<code>writes</code>	Writes a string to a file.

## Formatted Output

<code>fprintf</code>	Writes data to a file under a specified format.
<code>printf</code>	Writes data to the standard output device, normally the terminal screen, under a specified format..
<code>snprintf</code>	Writes data to a string, under a specified format.

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# File and Device System Management

<code>access</code>	Checks whether a file can be accessed in the mode specified.
<code>chdir</code>	Changes the current working directory to <i>path</i> .
<code>chmod</code>	Changes access mode of an file or device.
<code>close</code>	Closes file. Breaks the connection between a file descriptor and an open file.
<code>dup</code>	Duplicates an existing file descriptor.
<code>dup2</code>	Duplicates an existing file descriptor.
<code>flock</code>	Sets and releases advisory locks on a file.
<code>fstat</code>	Obtains information about a particular open object in the file system.
<code>ftime</code>	Changes the modification time of an open filesystem object.
<code>ioctl</code>	I/O control operation. Used to configure and control a device.
<code>killfifo</code>	Sends a signal to all readers at the other end of the fifo.
<code>link</code>	Makes a hard link to an existing file or directory. Useful for renaming files, moving files, or sharing data.
<code>MAJOR</code>	Extracts the major number from a device.
<code>MINOR</code>	Extracts the minor number from a device.
<code>mkdir</code>	Creates a new empty directory.
<code>mknod</code>	Makes a special node (device, fifo, socket).
<code>mount</code>	Mounts a file system
<code>open</code>	Opens a file and returns a file descriptor.
<code>pipe</code>	Creates a single stream pipe.
<code>rcv</code>	Receives (reads) words from a socket.
<code>readdir</code>	Reads a directory entry and stores the structure in <i>buf</i> .
<code>rmdir</code>	Deletes an empty directory.
<code>seek</code>	Moves the starting position in a file to read or write.
<code>server_get</code>	For use with multiple robot systems - Gets the name of the current server name.
<code>server_info</code>	For use with multiple robot systems - Gets information about the current server.
<code>server_protocol</code>	Returns the protocol designator from the robot server.
<code>server_set</code>	For use with multiple robot systems - Sets the current server.
<code>server_version</code>	Specifies the robot server version.
<code>sigfifo</code>	Sends a signal to readers of a fifo.
<code>socketpair</code>	Gets a pair of file descriptors for a client and server socket.
<code>stat</code>	Obtains information about a particular object in the file system.

statfs	Gets information about a mounted filesystem.
send	Sends (writes) words to a socket.
sync	Flushes all the file system buffers of their contents.
unlink	Removes a link to a file.
unmount	Unmounts a file system
utime	Changes the modification time of a filesystem object.

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## Front Panel

There are five front panel buttons on the controller, two of which can be programmed using RAPL 3 subprograms designed for reading or setting the button status. The ARM POWER button cannot be controlled using the RAPL-3 subprograms. However, the robotispowered function can be used to determine, but not set, the status of the arm power.

The other buttons do not have switch position settings on or off, instead they are momentarily set buttons that only register ON (high) when they are pressed. The status of a button is high (ON) only while it is actually pressed. After it is released the status returns to 0 (OFF). The buttons are labeled with one of the following set of labels.

CYCLE START	F1
PROGRAM RESET	F2
PAUSE CONTINUE	PAUSE CONTINUE
HOME	HOME
ARM POWER	ARM POWER

The function of the buttons are identical, only the labels on the buttons are changed. The F1, F2, (CYCLE START PROGRAM RESET) buttons are user programmable. They can be programmed to have specific meanings for different applications. For instance an application can be programmed to require that one or both buttons must be pressed in order to initiate a robot movement.

The PAUSE CONTINUE button if pressed while the robot is in motion causes the robot motion to pause. For example if robot motion is initiated from the command line and then terminated from the keyboard (ALT-A or ALT\_E) the operating system takes control, stops the robot, and flashes the PAUSE CONTINUE button. To initiate robot movement again the PAUSE CONTINUE button must be pressed. A message appears on the terminal requesting that the button be pressed.

Each of the buttons has an indicator light. In the case of the ARM POWER button, the light indicates the ARM POWER status. If the light is illuminated, the ARM POWER is ON. Correspondingly if the light is not illuminated, the ARM POWER is OFF. The HOME light is used to indicate that the A series robot is homed or, that the F3 robot is calibrated. The HOME button however does not cause the either robot to be homed or calibrated.

The remaining lights are programmable and have no relationship to the button status. Like the buttons the light function can be programmed using the RAPL 3 subprograms. They can be programmed to indicate certain conditions, or to illuminate when the robot is in a certain position.

## Status Window

The status window on the controller, can display two hexadecimal digits. The subprogram panel\_status can be used to set and test the status window. The function changes the window display but does not change the system status.

## Panel Button Subprograms

The following subprograms can be used to control the front panel:

<code>onbutton</code>	Waits for one of the buttons to be pressed. The light can be made to blink while waiting for the light to be pressed. The light is left in the same state as when we found it.
<code>panel_button</code>	Returns True if the button is pressed.
<code>panel_button_wait</code>	Waits for a particular button to be pushed.
<code>panel_buttons</code>	Returns the setting of the panel buttons as a bit vector.
<code>panel_light_get</code>	Gets the status of a particular light.
<code>panel_light_set</code>	Sets the status of one particular light.
<code>panelLights_get</code>	Gets the status of the controller front panel buttons.
<code>panelLights_set</code>	Sets the status of the controller front panel buttons.
<code>panel_status</code>	Sets the front panel status display to show a specified value

### Button\_enum type

A global enumerated type variable `button_enum` is defined for the buttons as follows:

```
global typedef button_enum enum
    BF_1           =1,
    BF_2           =2,
    B_PAUSE_CONT   =4,
    b_HOME         =8
end enum
```



# Gripper

<code>grip</code>	Moves servo-gripper fingers to a specified distance apart.
<code>gripdist_set</code>	
<code>grip_cal</code>	Calibrates the gripper.
<code>grip_close</code>	Closes the gripper.
<code>grip_finish</code>	Holds program execution until gripper motion is finished.
<code>grip_open</code>	Opens the gripper.
<code>gripdist_get</code>	Gets the current distance between servo-gripper fingers.
<code>gripisfinished</code>	Determines if the gripper is finished moving.
<code>gripper_stop</code>	Stops the gripper motion
<code>griptype_get</code>	Gets what the robot gripper type is currently set to.
<code>griptype_set</code>	Sets the gripper type to correspond to the gripper in use: air or servo-motor.

## Home

<code>home</code>	Homes specified axes.
<code>homezc</code>	Homes.
<code>hsw_offset_get</code>	Returns the offset between homing switch and calibration position.
<code>robotishomed</code>	Returns current home state.
<code>zero</code>	Sets all the current motor position registers to 0.

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# Location

## Kinematic Conversion

<code>joint_to_motor</code>	Converts a location from joint angles to motor pulses.
<code>joint_to_world</code>	Converts a location from joint angles to world coordinates.
<code>motor_to_joint</code>	Converts a location from motor pulses to joint angles.
<code>motor_to_world</code>	Converts a location from motor pulses to world coordinates.
<code>world_to_joint</code>	Converts a location from world coordinates to joint angles.
<code>world_to_motor</code>	Converts a location from world coordinates to motor pulses.

## Data Manipulation

<code>here</code>	Stores the current commanded location in a location variable.
<code>loc_cdata_get</code>	Packs cartesian data from a location into a float array.
<code>loc_cdata_set</code>	Packs cartesian data from a float array into a location.
<code>loc_check</code>	Tests the checksum of a location.
<code>loc_class_get</code>	Returns the class of a location.
<code>loc_class_set</code>	Sets the class of a location.
<code>loc_pdata_get</code>	Packs precision data from a location into an integer array.
<code>loc_pdata_set</code>	Packs precision data from an integer array into a location.
<code>loc_re_check</code>	Recalculates and resets the checksum of a location.
<code>pos_axis _set</code>	Sets the specified axis to a position.
<code>pos_get</code>	Gets the position of the robot.
<code>pos_set</code>	Sets all axes to a specified position.
<code>shift_t</code>	Alters cartesian location in tool frame of reference.
<code>shift_w</code>	Alters cartesian location in world frame of reference.

## Flags

<code>loc_flags_get</code>	Returns the flags of a location.
<code>loc_flags_set</code>	Sets the flags of a location.
<code>loc_machtype_get</code>	Returns the machine type code of a location.
<code>loc_machtype_set</code>	Sets the machine type code of a location.

## Math

These functions perform common mathematical calculations. All math functions take floating point arguments.

<code>acos</code>	Calculates the arc cosine.
<code>asin</code>	Calculates the arc sine.
<code>atan2</code>	Calculates the arc tangent.
<code>cos</code>	Calculates the cosine.
<code>deg</code>	Converts radians to degrees.
<code>fabs</code>	Finds the absolute value of a float.
<code>iabs</code>	Finds the absolute value of an int.
<code>ln</code>	Calculates the natural logarithm.
<code>log</code>	Calculates the common logarithm.
<code>pow</code>	Calculates a value raised to a power.
<code>rad</code>	Converts degrees to radians.
<code>rand</code>	A function for generating random numbers (integers).
<code>rand_in</code>	A function for generating random numbers (integers) which fall in the range specified.
<code>sin</code>	Calculates the sine.
<code>sqrt</code>	Calculates the square root.
<code>str_to_float</code>	Converts a string to a float.
<code>str_to_int</code>	Converts a string to an integer.
<code>tan</code>	Calculates the tangent.

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# Memory

heap_set	Sets the heap size of the current process.
heap_size	Returns the number of words in the heap.
heap_space	Returns the length of the longest contiguous free area in the heap.
mem_alloc	Allocates an area of memory and clears it by initializing it to zeros..
mem_free	Frees an allocated area by returning it to the pool of free space.
memcpy	Copies a block of words (4 byte entities).
memset	Sets a block of words to contain a value.
memstat	Gets information about current memory status.
pdp_get	The function gets the private data area pointer for the current thread.
pdp_set	A subroutine to set the private area memory for the current thread.
str_sizeof	Returns the number of words of memory to store a string.
sync	Flushes file system buffers.

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## Motion

<code>align</code>	Aligns “approach/depart” axis to a world axis.
<code>appro</code>	Moves the tool centre-point to an approach position, not in straight-line mode.
<code>appros</code>	Moves the tool centre-point to an approach position in straight-line mode.
<code>calrdy</code>	Moves the arm to the calibrate position.
<code>cpath</code>	Calculates and immediately executes a path.
<code>ctpath</code>	Creates and stores a continuous path through an array of locations with triggers for gpio (general purpose input/output).
<code>ctpath_go</code>	Runs a path previously stored by ctpath.
<code>depart</code>	Moves the tool centre-point to a depart position in joint interpolated mode.
<code>departs</code>	Moves the tool centre-point to a depart position in straight-line mode.
<code>finish</code>	Forces a command to finish before the next command is initiated.
<code>grip</code> <code>gripdist_set</code>	Moves the fingers of the servo-gripper to a specified distance apart from each other.
<code>grip_close</code>	Closes the gripper.
<code>grip_finish</code>	Holds program execution until gripper motion is finished.
<code>grip_open</code>	Opens the gripper.
<code>gripper_stop</code>	Stops the gripper motion
<code>halt</code>	Stops the robot motion
<code>jog_t</code> <code>tx, ty, tz,</code> <code>yaw, pitch,</code> <code>roll</code>	Moves the tool centre-point in the tool frame of reference, not in straight-line mode
<code>jog_ts</code> <code>txs, tys, tzs,</code> <code>yaws, pitches,</code> <code>rolls</code>	Moves the tool centre-point in the tool frame of reference, in straight-line mode.
<code>jog_w</code> <code>wx, wy, wz,</code> <code>zrot, yrot,</code> <code>xrot</code>	Moves the tool centre-point in the world frame of reference, not in straight-line mode

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jog_ws wxs, wys, wzs, zrots, yrots, xrots	Moves the tool centre-point in the world frame of reference, in straight-line mode.
joint	Rotates a rotational joint a specified number of degrees, or moves a linear joint a specified number of current units.
limp	Disengages the servo control of a motor which limps that joint.
lock	Locks an axis.
motor	Rotates a motor by a specified number of encoder pulses.
move	Moves the tool centre-point to a specified location, not in straight-line mode.
moves	Moves the tool centre-point to a specified location, in straight-line mode.
nolimp	Re-engages the servo motor of a joint previously set limp.
online	Sets the online mode
pitch	In the tool frame of reference rotates (joint interpolated motion) around the orientation axis.
pitchs	In the tool frame of reference, rotates (straight line motion) around the orientation axis.
ready	Moves the arm to the READY position.
robot_abort	Stops motion and discards contents of motion queue.
robot_cfg_save	Re-writes the “/conf/robot.cfg” file with the current robot configuration information.
robot_info	Returns whether robot is done moving.
robotisdone	Returns the current robot done state
speed speed_set	Sets or gets the speed of arm motions
speed_get	Sets or gets the speed of arm motions
unlock	Unlocks an axis.

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# Pendant

The pendant subprograms allow a program to use the teach pendant.

## Pendant Library Commands

The following commands are exported from the pendant library and need the library name (stpv3) to be specified in the subprogram call.

<code>app_close</code>	Closes a pendant application so that a new one can be opened.
<code>app_open</code>	Selects the application specified by the argument name.
<code>clear_error</code>	Clears persistent error bits on the DSP
<code>confirm_menu</code>	Forces the user to confirm an action before it is carried out.
<code>pendant_bell</code>	Sounds the pendant bell.
<code>pendant_chr_get</code>	Reads a character from the pendant
<code>pendant_close</code>	Closes the pendant in preparation for shutting down a program or the controller.
<code>pendant_cursor_pos_get</code>	Returns the current position of the pendant cursor.
<code>pendant_cursor_pos_set</code>	Move the cursor to the position specified
<code>pendant_cursor_set</code>	Enables or disables the pendant cursor.
<code>pendant_flush</code>	Flushes any 'junk' characters in the incoming buffer.
<code>pendant_home</code>	Moves the pendant cursor to the top left side of the pendant screen (home).
<code>pendant_home_clear</code>	Moves the pendant cursor to the home position and clears the screen.
<code>pendant_open</code>	Prepares the pendant for access and initializes it to defaults.
<code>pendant_write</code>	Writes a string to the pendant.
<code>robot_move</code>	Prepares to move the robot using the pendant
<code>select_menu</code>	Displays the three lines s1, s2 and s3 on the pendant screen.
<code>shutdown</code>	Shuts down the pendant subsystem.
<code>startup</code>	Initializes the pendant i/o in preparation for invoking menus.

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<code>teach_menu</code>	Selects and teaches variables for an application.
<code>teach_var_v</code>	Similar to <code>teach_var</code> with the added feature that the variable is written in the location pointed to by a pointer.
<code>var_create</code>	Creates a variable
<code>var_teach</code>	Teaches a location variable.
<code>vars_save</code>	Invokes the <code>v3_vars_save()</code> operation on the currently open application v3 file.

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## Pointer Conversion and Function pointers

`call_ifunc`      Calls an integer function through a pointer.

## Robot Configuration

Configuring the robot arm: number of axes, velocities, accelerations, gains, travel limits, link lengths coordinate systems etc.

Refer also to the Calibrate and Home Categories for specific subprograms for calibration and homing programs.

The following is a listing of the robot configuration commands. For more detail about a command refer to the alphabetical command summary listing.

<code>accel_get</code>	Gets the acceleration for one axis.
<code>accel_set</code>	Sets the acceleration for one axis.
<code>accels_get</code>	Gets the accelerations for all axes.
<code>accels_set</code>	Sets the accelerations for all axes.
<code>armpower</code>	Enables and disables the armpower switch.
<code>axes_get</code>	Gets the number of axes.
<code>axes_set</code>	Sets the number of axes.
<code>axis_status</code>	Obtains data on all axes.
<code>conf_get</code>	Gets a list of robot configuration parameters.
<code>gains_get</code>	Gets the gains for an axis.
<code>gains_set</code>	Sets the gains for an axis.
<code>gripisfinished</code>	Determines if the gripper is finished moving.
<code>griptype_set</code>	Sets the gripper type to correspond to the gripper in use: air or servo-motor.
<code>jointlim_get</code>	Gets limits of travel of axes.
<code>jointlim_set</code>	Sets limits of travel of axes.
<code>linacc_get</code>	Returns the current value of the robot's linear acceleration in metric or English engineering units.
<code>linacc_set</code>	Sets the current value of the robot's linear acceleration in metric or English engineering units to the value specified by the parameter <code>linacc</code> .
<code>linklen_get</code>	Gets the link length for an axis.
<code>linklen_set</code>	Sets the link length for an axis.
<code>linspd_get</code>	Returns the maximum linear speed for the robot in units of mm or in. per second depending on the configuration.
<code>linspd_set</code>	Sets the linear speed for the robot in units of mm or in. per second depending on the configuration.

maxvel_get	Gets the maximum angular velocity for one motor.
maxvel_set	Sets the maximum angular velocity for one motor.
maxvels_get	Gets the maximum angular velocities for all motors.
maxvels_set	Sets the maximum angular velocities for all motors.
online	Sets the online mode.
robot_error_get	Returns the latest error state of the robot.
robot_flag_enable	Enables flags.
robot_info	Returns whether robot is done moving.
robot_mode_get	Gets the current mode of motion.
robot_odo	Gets the current value of the robot arm power odometer.
robot_servo_stat	Returns status of F3 servo controllers.
robot_type_get	Gets the current robot code for the installed kinematics.
robot_type_set	Sets the current robot code for the installed kinematics.
robotislistening	Determines if the robot server is responding to queries.
rotacc_get	Returns the value of the maximum rotational acceleration parameter.
rotacc_set	Sets the value of the maximum rotational acceleration parameter.
rotspd_get	Retrieves the current value of the maximum rotational speed parameter.
rotspd_set	Sets the value of the maximum rotational speed parameter.
server_get	For use with multiple robot systems - Gets the name of the current server name.
server_info	For use with multiple robot systems - Gets information about the current server.
server_protocol	Returns the protocol designator from the robot server.
server_set	For use with multiple robot systems - Sets the current server.
server_version	Specifies the robot server version.
units_get	Gets current setting of units: metric or English.
units_set	Sets current units: metric or English.
verstring_get	Gets the current kinematics version string.

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<code>xpulses_get</code>	Gets the number of encoder pulses per revolution of a motor.
<code>xpulses_set</code>	Sets the number of encoder pulses per revolution of a motor.
<code>xratio_get</code>	Gets the ratio of conversion from pulses to motion of an axis.
<code>xratio_set</code>	Sets the ratio of conversion from pulses to motion of an axis.

## Signals

The 16 signals are listed in the Appendix.

<code>malarm</code>	Requests that the system send the current process a specified signal after a specified delay.
<code>sig_arm_set</code>	Sets the signal to use to notify in case of an arm state change.
<code>sig_mask_set</code>	Sets a signal mask and returns the old signal mask.
<code>sigfifo</code>	Sends a signal to all of the readers at the other end of a fifo
<code>sigmask</code>	Returns the correct mask for a signal.
<code>signal</code>	Sets an action to be performed when a signal is received.
<code>sigsend</code>	Sends a signal to a process.
<code>str_signal</code>	Returns a pointer to a string that describes a signal.
<code>WIFSIGNALED</code>	Determines if the child process was signal-terminated.
<code>WTERMSIG</code>	Returns the actual signal number that signal-terminated a child process.

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# Stance

## Use of the Term “Stance”

RAPL-3 uses the term “stance” for a specific set of joint angles used when reaching a location. This is a change from RAPL-II that used “pose”. ISO standard 8373, Manipulating Industrial Robots – Vocabulary, reserves “pose” for a different meaning.

<code>stance_get</code>	Returns the current stance of the robot.
<code>stance_set</code>	Sets the arm to a specified stance.

## Status

<code>robot_error_get</code>	Returns the current (latest) error state of the robot.
<code>robot_odo</code>	Gets the current value of the robot arm power odometer.
<code>robotisdone</code>	Returns the current robot done state.
<code>robotisfinished</code>	Returns the current finished state of the robot
<code>robotishomed</code>	Returns current home state.
<code>robotislistening</code>	Determines if the robot server is responding to queries.
<code>robotispowered</code>	Returns the current state of the robot arm power.
<code>verstring_get</code>	Gets the current kinematics version string.

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# String Manipulation

<code>chr_is_lower</code>	Determines whether letter character is lower case.
<code>chr_is_upper</code>	Determines whether letter character is upper case.
<code>chr_to_lower</code>	Converts letter character to lower case.
<code>chr_to_upper</code>	Converts letter character to upper case.
<code>sizeof</code>	Returns the size, in RAPL-3 words, of its argument
<code>str_append</code>	Appends one string to another string.
<code>str_chr_find</code>	Finds the first occurrence of a character in a string.
<code>str_chr_get</code>	Returns the ASCII value of a specified character in a string.
<code>str_chr_rfind</code>	Finds the last occurrence of a character in a string.
<code>str_chr_set</code>	Sets the value of a specified character in a string.
<code>str_cksum</code>	Computes a 32-bit bitwise checksum of the characters of a string.
<code>str_dup</code>	Allocates space for a string, copies it into the allocated space and returns a pointer to the new string.
<code>str_edit</code>	Replaces a specified part of a string with another string.
<code>str_error</code>	Returns a pointer to a string that describes an error code.
<code>str_len</code>	Returns the length of a string.
<code>str_len_set</code>	Sets the length of a string.
<code>str_limit</code>	Returns the limit on the length of a string.
<code>str_limit_set</code>	Sets the limit on the length of a string.
<code>str_scanf</code>	Separates a string according to a format and places into variables.
<code>str_signal</code>	Returns a pointer to a string that describes a signal.
<code>str_sizeof</code>	Returns the number of words of memory to store a string.
<code>str_substr</code>	Copies a substring (a specified part of a string).
<code>str_subsys</code>	Given a specific error descriptor, the function returns a string giving the name of the subsystem origination the error.
<code>str_to_float</code>	Converts a string to a float.
<code>str_to_int</code>	Converts a string to an integer.

<code>str_to_lower</code>	Converts string to lower case.
<code>str_to_upper</code>	Converts string upper case.
<code>time_to_str</code>	Converts a system time code to an ASCII string

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# System Process Control

## Single and Multiple Processes

Splitting a program.

abort	Returns its argument value.
argc	Returns the number of command-line arguments to the program.
argv	Returns a pointer to the <i>nth</i> command-line argument to the program.
delay	Sleeps for at least the number time specified ( <i>millisecond</i> )s.
execl	Loads and executes another program that is given in <i>path</i> . Use this command when all the command-line arguments are known.
execv	Loads and executes another program that is given in <i>path</i> . Use this command when all the command-line arguments are not known.
exit	Causes normal program termination.
get_ps	Gets the process status information from a process table.
getopt	Provides a mechanism for handling command line arguments and options.
getpid	Gets the process identification number of the calling program.
getppid	Gets the process identification number of the parent of the calling program.
memstat	Gets information about the current system memory status. Returns the number of 64 byte units.
module_name_get	Gets the name of the module performing the subroutine call.
msleep	Sleeps for the time specified and then returns to the main program.
robot_error_get	Returns the current (latest) error state of the robot.
sem_acquire	Attempts to acquire a semaphore.
sem_release	Releases a semaphore.
sem_test	Tests a semaphore.
setprio	Sets the priority of a process.
split	Creates a duplicate child process of the current process.

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waitpid	Waits for a child process to complete.
WEXITSTATUS	Returns the actual exit code of the child process that exited.
WIFEXITED	Determines if the child process has been exited.
WIFSIGNALED	Determines if the child process was signal-terminated.

## Operating System Management

Getting and setting process identification and priority.

setprio	Sets the priority of a process
sigsend	Sends a signal to a process.
socketpair	Gets a pair of file descriptors for a private client and server socket
sysconf	Obtains system configuration information.
sysid_string	Returns a string describing a specified system id.
va_arg_get	Gets the next varargs argument.
va-arg_type	Returns a type descriptor for the next varargs argument.

## Point of Control and Observation

These routines get or release point of control or point of observation. Any command which “writes” to the robot (moves, re-sets parameters, etc.) requires point of control. Only one process can have point of control at one time. If one process has point of control, another process requesting point of control will be denied point of control (**ctl\_get()** will fail with an EBUSY error condition).

All library functions which require point of control explicitly ask for it, so there is typically no need for the user to perform this task.

ctl_get	Gets point of control.
ctl_give	Gives control explicitly to the process specified by the pid parameter.
ctl_rel	Releases point of control.
obs_get	Gets point of observation.
obs_rel	Releases point of observation.

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## Tool Transform and Base Offset

<code>base_get</code>	Gets the current base offset.
<code>base_set</code>	Sets the base offset.
<code>tool_get</code>	Gets the current tool transform, the redefinition of the origin point and the orientation of the tool coordinate system.
<code>tool_set</code>	Sets a tool transform, a redefinition of the origin point and the orientation of the tool coordinate system.

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## v3 Files

The v3 subprograms allow a program to modify a v3 file.

These v3 subprograms are the same subprograms that are used by the teach pendant and the application shell when you use those tools to modify the teachable variables in a v3 file.

Before modifying a v3 file from a program, ensure that this is necessary.

### Background

v3 files have a very specific use.

#### The v3 File

A v3 file contains the values for the teachable variables of a program. Teachable variables can include: cartesian locations, precision locations, integers, floats, and strings, both scalar and array.

Variables are declared teachable so that their values can be stored outside the program, modified (normally by the teach pendant or the application shell), and used for initializing.

#### Teaching Variables

The advantage of having variables in a v3 file is being able to modify values outside the program. The primary advantage is being able to teach locations. Using the teach pendant or the application shell, you can move the arm and, with the teach pendant's teach selection or ash's here command, have the data of the current position packed into the location variable.

#### Initializing Variables with the v3 File

In the CROS/RAPL-3 environment, a v3 file is used to initialize teachable variables of a program, at the moment when the program is readied to run. After that, the v3 file is not used. Any changes made to a v3 file have no effect on a program unless the program is run again. When it is run again, the v3 file is used to initialize the teachable variables of the program, again, at the moment when the program is readied to run.

#### Modifying and Using Variables

Any variable, whether cloc, ploc, int, float, or string, whether declared as teachable or unteachable, can be modified and used within a program independent of any v3 file.

Locations do not all have to be taught. For example, for a pallet (rows x columns of locations) you could teach three corner locations, or for a microplate carousel you could teach the top and bottom locations, and calculate the intermediate locations. These calculated locations can be used in motion commands like any other location variable.

To avoid calculating during each run of the program, you can store the variables.

#### Storing Variables in Any File

To store variables between runs of a program, or between the running of a set-up program and the application program, the variables must be stored in a file. You do not need to store them in a v3 file. Variables can be written out to a data file and read in from that file with the regular file i/o subprograms.

Even though you can modify a data file from another RAPL-3 program or from another kind of file editing program, you cannot load this file into an application

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shell database or teach pendant database for the variables to be modified by the application shell or the teach pendant.

### Storing Variables in a v3 File

You must use the v3 file when you want to store variables outside the program and also have them accessible using the teach pendant or the application shell.

### Modifying a v3 File from a Program

There are instances where a v3 file must be modified from a program.

One is a situation where locations are determined by the program and need to be available later for use by the teach pendant or the application shell.

Another is a situation where, as the program is running, the locations need to be monitored and corrected and these corrected locations need to be used at the next running of the program.

### Using These v3 Subprograms

To properly modify a v3 file, several of these v3 subprograms must be used in a certain order.



***From a program, modify a v3 file carefully. An incorrect routine can result in a corrupted v3 file and lost data. You have to construct routines similar to the teach pendant and application shell routines that ensure that the v3 file is properly modified.***

## Architecture for v3 Subprograms

The following files and structures are part of the v3 architecture.

### Program File

The program file is the executable file containing sub, func, and command calls and other parts of the program. If the program file has any teachable variables, data structures can be created for a corresponding v3 file. **v3 File**

**The v3 file is the file that stores the data structures of teachable variables. The v3 file is used to initialize teachables in a program, as the program is readied to run.**

### Backing Store File

“Backing store file” is another term for the v3 file, highlighting its role as a back-up, stored in the file system while the data structures are in memory and being manipulated by v3 commands. **Incore File**

The incore file is the set of data structures loaded in memory. This “file” is the in-core-memory equivalent to the v3 file stored in the file system, but also has a control block. The file is a linked list of records. **Control Block**

A structure that contains data about the file, the records, and modifications. There is one control block.

### Record

A structure that contains data about a variable: its basetype, its identifier, its value, etc. There are as many records as there are teachable variables.

## Parameters

Commands, functions, and subroutines that manipulate v3 files use the following structs as parameters.

**v3\_cb**

The v3\_cb struct is the control block.

```

v3_cb struct
  v3_incore@      Head of the linked list
head
  int  entries    How many entries in the list (not counting the
                  list head)
  int  locks      How many v3_lock() calls have been done.
                  The file is not unlocked until this count
                  reaches 0 again
  int  fd         fd of the open file descriptor.
                  -1 is none.
  int  dirty      In-core data cleanliness flag.
                  0 is clean, 1 is data only, 2 is structure
                  change.
  v3_header  h    Header, read from the file. Note: the size of
                  this section is variable depending on the size
                  of the header (sourcename)
end struct

```

**v3\_incore**

The v3\_incore struct is the record when loaded in core.

```

v3_incore struct
  v3_incore@      For linking.
next
  v3_incore@      For linking.
prev
  int  offset     Offset in the file where the record is
                  located.
                  0 is not yet in the file
  void@ valptr    The value part of this record.
  v3_record  v    The v3_record itself.
                  Note that sizeof(this field) gives misleading
                  results since the full name and the data block
                  are stored contiguously here to cut overhead.
end struct

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**Subs, Funcs, and Commands****Opening and Closing Files**

These subprograms manage the storage file and the in-core file.

v3_extract	Builds data structures from the program file.
v3_f_close	Closes the storage file.
v3_f_disconnect	Disconnects the storage file from the in-core file.
v3_f_free	Frees memory by deleting the in-core file.
v3_f_modified	Checks the file for modifications.
v3_f_open	Loads a storage file into core memory.
v3_f_save	Saves an in-core file to a storage file.
v3_lock	Locks the file.

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<code>v3_new</code>	Creates a new set of core block structures.
<code>v3_save_on_exit</code>	Sets the RAPL-3 interpreter so that when the program exits, all of its final v3 variable values will be saved to the specified v3 file.
<code>v3_unlock</code>	Unlocks the file.

### Modifying Variables

These subprograms modify variables in the in-core file.

<code>v3_append_lists</code>	Appends a second list onto a first list.
<code>v3_create_variable</code>	Creates a new variable.
<code>v3_delete_variable</code>	Deletes a variable and its value from the list.
<code>v3_find_variable</code>	Finds a specified variable.
<code>v3_get_first</code>	Gets the first node on the list.
<code>v3_get_info</code>	Gets information about the in-core structures.
<code>v3_get_next</code>	Gets the next node on the list.
<code>v3_get_prev</code>	Gets the previous node on the list.
<code>v3_get_value_p</code>	Gets the pointer to the value element of an in-core node.
<code>v3_mark_taught</code>	Marks an incore node as taught.

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## Win 32

These Win 32 commands allow a CROSnt process to communicate with a process in the Windows NT environment.

The named pipe driver DLL allows servers to be written in RAPL-3 and have non-RAPL-3 based clients. A named pipe is a Win32 inter-process communication object that allows two processes (which do not have to be running on the same machine) to transfer information between each other. The client-server mechanism is used in this form of communication.

Named pipes provide two mechanisms for data transfer: byte-by-byte and message based. Byte-by-byte sends data through the pipe on a byte-by-byte basis. Message based transfers the entire data in one operation. Message based reads can only be used if messaged based writes on the other end of the pipe are enabled.

All transfers are done in overlapped i/o mode. This means that unless the operation can be completed immediately, it is placed in the background. When the operation is complete, a signal is sent to the process that started the operation.

Normal read(), write(), reada(), readsa(), and other i/o operations can be used with named pipes. The read and write calls can return an error, 0 if the I/O operation is placed in the background, or the number of words actually read.

### Further Windows NT Information

On the subject of named pipes in Windows NT, refer to Windows NT (Win 32) documentation.

### File System Mounting

For commands on mounting a CROSnt file system on a Windows NT file system, see File and Device System Management.

## Win 32 Commands

connectnp	Checks or waits for a client to connect with the named pipe.
closenp	Closes a named pipe
disconnectnp	Breaks a pipe connection with a client.
opennp	Opens a named pipe in the Windows NT domain.
statusnp	Returns the current status of a named pipe

See also Device Input and Output for read(), write(), reada(), readsa(), and other i/o operations.

## Types Used With Win 32 Commands

The following types are used with the Win 32 commands.

### NPIPE\_MODES

```
global typedef NPIPE_MODES enum
    M_READ_MESSAGE = 1
    M_WRITE_MESSAGE = 2
end enum
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**NPIPE\_STATUS**

```
global typedef NPIPE_STATUS enum
    NPIPE_OPENED = 0x0001,
    NPIPE_CONNECTED = 0x0002,
    NPIPE_CONNECT_PENDING = 0x0100,
    NPIPE_READ_PENDING = 0x0200,
    NPIPE_WRITE_PENDING = 0x0400,
    NPIPE_TRANSACT_PENDING = 0x0800,
    NPIPE_OPERATION_PENDING = 0x0F00
end enum
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# Subprograms: Alphabetical Listing

Subprograms of the CRS-supplied libraries are listed in alphabetical order on the following pages.

## Reading Subprogram Entries

Each subprogram is described in the following format.

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### name\_of\_subprogram

Alias	Another name for the same subprogram. With some alias entries, there is a cross-reference from the alias entry to the original entry which contains the full description of the subroutine, function, or command.
Description	A description of the functionality of this subroutine, function, or command.
Caution Warning	A characteristic that could create a problem.
Library	The library if the subprogram has export scope.
Syntax	<p>The subprogram's declaration in the library. The declaration follows the rules for subprogram declarations.</p> <p>The declaration declares the scope of the subprogram. A few subprograms have <b>export</b> scope. They are explicitly listed as such and must be called by naming the library with the subprogram. All other subprograms have <b>global</b> scope. Since they are visible to all programs, they are called by naming the subprogram only.</p> <p>The declaration declares whether the subprogram is a <b>subroutine</b>, <b>function</b>, or <b>command</b>. This determines whether it does not return a value, returns a value, or returns a success/error integer under the system's error checking.</p> <p>If the subprogram is a func, it declares the type of return value: int, float, location, or pointer.</p> <p>Next, the declaration names the subprogram with a unique identifier.</p> <p>Within parentheses the declaration lists parameter(s), giving the type of parameter and an identifier. The commas separating parameters are required syntax. Three dots ( . . . ) indicate a variable number of parameters which are described in the following parameter list.</p>
Parameters Arguments	<p>A list with explanations and types.</p> <p>Distinctions are made between parameters passed by value and parameters passed by reference (var parameters). If a parameter passed by reference is packed, expected values of the parameter are listed.</p> <p>With subprograms that are able to take a variable number of parameters (varargs), distinctions are made between required parameters and optional parameters.</p> <p>Parameters are also called arguments.</p>
Returns	<p>The return value of the function or command which indicates success (zero or positive) or failure (negative).</p> <p>If a zero or positive value carries specific meaning, it is described.</p> <p>If a negative value is returned for a specific reason, it is described.</p>
Example	An example of use in a program.
Result	The example's result.
System Shell Application Shell	If applicable, an equivalent command in the CROS/RAPL-3 system shell or application shell, described in the <i>Application Development Guide</i> .
RAPL-II	Any similar RAPL-II commands.

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See Also	Any related RAPL-3 subroutines, functions, commands, statements, keywords, or topics, described in this <i>Reference Guide</i> .
Category	The category of this subprogram. All subprograms are briefly listed with related subprograms in the category section.

## Using Subprograms

To use the subprogram in your program, call the subprogram by name with parameter(s)/argument(s) of the type indicated. To use an export subprogram, precede the subprogram call with the library name.

Follow the syntax and parameter descriptions, or modify an example.

Required characters are in non-italic monospace font. *Programmer-supplied identifiers and constructs are in italics*. Optional items are in [square brackets], except for arrays. The continuation character can be used.

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## abort

Description	This is a utility command that simply returns its argument value. Since abort() is a RAPL-3 command, a negative argument to abort() will cause a command failure exception at the line where abort was called. If abort() is passed a positive or zero argument, then it does nothing.
Syntax	command abort( int <i>err</i> )
Parameters	<i>err</i> the monitored return value: an int
Returns	The value of the parameter.
Example	<pre>if (check_status() &gt; 0)     n = 1 else     n = -1 end if abort(n)           ;; will cause an exception if n is -1</pre>
RAPL-II	ABORT terminates a program, but not under any system error checking.
See Also	exit terminates program normally
Category	System Process Control: Single and Multiple Process

## accel\_get

Description	Gets the acceleration for one axis. The units are in deg/sec <sup>2</sup> .
Syntax	command accel_get( int <i>axis</i> , var float <i>dst</i> )
Parameters	<i>axis</i> the axis being inquired: an integer <i>dst</i> a float -packed with the acceleration in
Returns	Success >= 0. The parameter is packed. Failure < 0
Example	<pre>float curr_accel accel_get(5,curr_accel)</pre>
Application Shell	Same as accel.
See Also	accels_get gets the accelerations for all axes accel_set sets the acceleration for one axis accels_set sets the accelerations for all axes
Category	Robot Configuration

## accel\_set

Description	Sets the acceleration for one axis.
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Joint	F3		A465		A255	
	Default	Maximum	Default	Maximum	Default	Maximum
1	879	1758	720	1440	500	1000
2	879	1758	720	1440	500	1000



3	879	2637	720	1440	500	1000
4	1098	3294	1425	2850	2250	4500
5	1098	3294	1440	2850	4500	9000
6	1098	3294	1425	2850		

Syntax	<code>command accel_set( int axis, float accel_in )</code>
Parameters	<p><i>axis</i> the axis being set: an int</p> <p><i>accel_in</i> the acceleration for that axis in deg/sec<sup>2</sup>: a float</p> <p>Note: If <i>accel_in</i> is less than 10% of the default acceleration value, the value will be set to 10% of the default instead.</p>
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math></p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p>
Example	<code>accel_set( 1, 879 )</code>
RAPL-II	Similar to @ACCEL.
See Also	<p><code>accel_get</code> gets the acceleration for one axis</p> <p><code>accels_get</code> gets the accelerations for all axes</p> <p><code>accels_set</code> sets the accelerations for all axes</p>
Category	Robot Configuration

## accels\_get

Description	Gets the accelerations for all axes. The units are in deg./sec. <sup>2</sup>
Syntax	<code>command accels_get( var float[8] accels )</code>
Parameters	<i>accels</i> the accelerations of the axes in deg/sec <sup>2</sup> : an array of floats
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math>. The parameter is packed.</p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p>
Example	<pre>float[8] curr_accels accels_get(curr_accels)</pre>
Application Shell	Same as <code>accel</code>
See Also	<p><code>accel_get</code> gets the acceleration for one axis</p> <p><code>accel_set</code> sets the acceleration for one axis</p> <p><code>accels_set</code> sets the accelerations for all axes</p>
Category	Robot Configuration

## accels\_set

Description	Sets the accelerations for all axes. The units are in deg./sec. <sup>2</sup> :
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	F3		A465		A255	
	Default	Maximum	Default	Maximum	Default	Maximum
1	879	1758	720	1440	500	1000
2	879	1758	720	1440	500	1000
3	879	2637	720	1440	500	1000

4	1098	3294	1425	2850	2250	4500
5	1098	3294	1440	2850	4500	9000
6	1098	3294	1425	2850		

Syntax	<code>command accels_set( var float[8] accels )</code>
Parameters	<i>accels</i> the accelerations for the axes in deg./sec. <sup>2</sup> : an array of floats Note: If any element of <i>accels</i> is less than 10% of the default acceleration value for that axis, the value will be set to 10% of the default instead.
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<code>float[8] new_accels = {500, 500 , 500 , 4500, 9000, 0, 0, 0} accels_set(new_accels)</code>
RAPL-II	Similar to @ACCEL.
See Also	<code>accel_get</code> gets the acceleration for one axis <code>accels_get</code> gets the accelerations for all axes <code>accel_set</code> sets the acceleration for one axis
Category	Robot Configuration

## access

Description	Checks to see if the file specified in <i>path</i> can be accessed in the way specified by <i>mode</i> .												
Syntax	<code>func int access( var string[] path, a_modes mode )</code>												
Parameters	<i>path</i> the filename: a variable length string <i>mode</i> the access mode, of type <code>a_modes</code> : <table> <tr><td><code>F_OK</code></td><td>file exists</td></tr> <tr><td><code>X_OK</code></td><td>file is executable</td></tr> <tr><td><code>W_OK</code></td><td>file is writeable</td></tr> <tr><td><code>R_OK</code></td><td>file is readable</td></tr> </table>	<code>F_OK</code>	file exists	<code>X_OK</code>	file is executable	<code>W_OK</code>	file is writeable	<code>R_OK</code>	file is readable				
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Example	<pre>string[] path = "filename" ... if access( path, F_OK ) == 0     ;; File Exists     if access( path, X_OK ) == 0         ;; File is executable     end if     if access( path, W_OK ) == 0         ;; File is writeable     end if     if access( path, R_OK ) == 0         ;; File is readable     end if end if</pre>												

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	<pre>         end if     end if </pre>
RAPL-II	No equivalent.
See Also	chmod      changes the access mode open        opens a file
Category	File and Device System Management

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## acos

Description	Calculates the arc cosine of a float. Argument Range: $+1.0 \geq \text{argument} \geq -1.0$
Syntax	func float acos( float x )
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ . The arc cosine of the argument, an angle in degrees. Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre> float x = 0.965926 printf ("acos of 0.965926 = {}\n",acos( x )) </pre>
Result	15.000
RAPL-II	ACOS
See Also	asin                calculates the arc sine atan2               calculates the arc tan cos                  calculates the cosine
Category	Math

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## addr\_decode

Description	A subroutine for troubleshooting errors. Looks up the address specified in the line number tables and decodes it, if possible, into a line and file. Note that if the string sp is NULL, no file name is copied.
Syntax	sub addr_decode(int address, var int line, string[]@ sp)
Parameter	address    int defining the address to look up in the line tales lineint gets packed with the line number sp          string pointer specifying the file to write the decoded line to.
Returns	nothing. "line" is set to 0 on failure; sp@ (if sp is not NULL) is set to "" on failure.
Example	<pre> int lnum string[64] fname  try     ;;     ;; some code here...     ;; except     printf("Error {} ({} ) happened\n", -error_code(),           str_error(-error_code()))     addr_decode(error_addr(), lnum, fname)     printf(" at line {} of file {}\n", lnum, fname) end try </pre>
Result	If an error occurs in the try block, the error and its name and the line and file where it occurred will be printed.
See Also	error_code()      find the error descriptor of an exception that has occurred error_addr()      find the address where an exception occurred str_error()        convert an error descriptor into a string

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Category	Error Message Handling
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## addr\_to\_file

Description	Calls the <code>addr_decode</code> subroutine to convert the given address to a file name string. This provides a simpler interface to <code>addr_decode()</code> for getting at the name of a file where an exception has occurred.
Syntax	<code>func string[]@ addr_to_file(int addr)</code>
Parameter	<code>addr</code> an int which specifies the address which is to be converted to a file name
Returns	A pointer to a string containing the file name, or a pointer to an empty string if it fails.
Example	<pre>;; in the except block of a try-except construct:       printf("The exception happened at line {} of file {}\n", /       addr_to_line(error_addr()), addr_to_file(error_addr()))</pre>
Result	The line and file where the exception occurred are printed.
See Also	<code>addr_decode()</code> <code>error_addr()</code>
Category	Error Message Handling

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## addr\_to\_line

Description	A function that calls the <code>addr_decode</code> function to convert an address to a line number.
Syntax	<code>func int addr_to_line(int addr)</code>
Parameter	<code>addr</code> an int specifying the address to be converted to a line number.
Returns	The correct line number, or 0 if it fails.
Example	<code>see addr_to_file()</code>
See Also	<code>addr_decode()</code> <code>addr_to_file()</code> <code>error_addr()</code>
Category	Error Message handling

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## align

Description	Aligns the “approach/depart” tool axis parallel to an axis of the world coordinate system.  The “approach/depart” tool axis is a specific axis of the tool coordinate system. With no tool transform set (the tool coordinate system is at its default, identical to the mechanical interface coordinate system), the “approach/depart” tool axis is the axis arising off of, and perpendicular to, the tool flange (mechanical interface). The F3 tool coordinate system (which is similar to a recent international standard) and the A465/A255 tool coordinate system (which is an earlier pre-standard system) are different. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• F3: the “approach/depart” tool axis is the Z axis of the F3 tool coordinate system. The axes of the tool coordinate system are parallel to the</li> </ul>
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corresponding axes of the world coordinate system when the arm is in the ready position (straight up).

- A465 or A255: the “approach/depart” tool axis is the X axis of the A465/A255 tool coordinate system. The axes of the tool coordinate system are parallel to the corresponding axes of the world coordinate system when the arm is in the ready position.

With no tool transform set the “approach/depart” tool axis is the axis perpendicular to, the tool flange (A-series tool X axis, F-series tool Z axis). The `align()` command aligns the approach/depart axis with the world axis specified.

If a tool transform has been set, the tool coordinate system is transformed from the default setting and the `align()` command aligns the transformed “approach/depart” tool axis parallel to an axis of the world coordinate system.

The world axis for alignment is specified with a parameter.

The `align()` command moves the arm in joint-interpolated motion. The tool centre point’s start and end point are the same, but the tool centre point travels as a result of various joint motions, not in straight line mode.

Syntax	<code>command align ( int speed, align_axis_t axis [, coord_t] )</code>
Parameters	<p><i>speed</i>      the speed during align, percentage of full speed</p> <p><i>axis</i>        the axis to align to, one of:</p> <p>    ALIGN_NEAR      aligns to the closest axis of the world coordinate system</p> <p>    ALIGN_X         aligns to the + X axis of world coordinate system</p> <p>    -ALIGN_X        aligns to the - X axis of world coordinate system</p> <p>    ALIGN_Y         aligns to the + Y axis of world coordinate system</p> <p>    -ALIGN_Y        aligns to the - Y axis of world coordinate system</p> <p>    ALIGN_Z         aligns to the + Z axis of world coordinate system</p> <p>    -ALIGN_Z        aligns to the - Z axis of world coordinate system</p>
Optional Parameter	<code>coord_t</code>
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math></p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p>
Example	<pre>align(_Z)        ;; aligns to the Z axis align(ALIGN_NEAR) ;; aligns to the closest axis</pre>
RAPL-II	Similar to ALIGN.
See Also	<code>tool_set</code> re-defines the tool coordinate system
Category	Motion

## analog\_get

Description	Retrieves the values of the eight analog inputs (2 of which are available to the user) on the C500C controller.
Syntax	<code>command analogs_get( var float[8] values )</code>
Related Definitions	<p>The following defined symbols give which channel is which:</p> <p>ANA_USER1            -- user analog input 1</p> <p>ANA_USER2            -- user analog input 2</p> <p>ANA_SGAFEEDBACK     -- servo gripper feedback input</p> <p>ANA_BATTERYVOLT     -- lithium backup battery (volts)</p> <p>ANA_V24SUPPLY        -- 24 volt supply (volts)</p> <p>ANA_V12SUPPLY        -- 12 volt supply (volts)</p>

	ANA_V5SUPPLY            -- 5 volt supply (volts)
	ANA_BOARDTEMP           -- main board temperature (Celsius)
Returns	Success >= 0; the values[] array filled in with the input readings. Failure < 0 (-ve error code)
Example	<pre>float[8] vals ... analog_get(vals) printf("The board temperature is {} Celsius\n", vals[ANA_BOARDTEMP])</pre>
See Also	boardtemp_get()
Category	Analog Input

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## app\_close

Description	Closes a pendant application so that a new one can be opened. Only one application can be open at any given time.
Library	stpv3
Syntax	export command app_close()
Parameters	None
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre>string[10] name = "my_app_23" stpv3:startup stpv3:app_open(name, 0) ...     stpv3:app_close() ...</pre>
Result	The current application being accessed from the pendant is closed.
See Also	pendant_close start_up app_open
Category	Pendant

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## app\_open

Description	Selects the application specified by the argument name. If the application does not exist and the create parameter is true then create the application. An error code is returned if the application is not found.
Library	stpv3
Syntax	export command app_open(var string[] name, int create)
Parameter	<i>create_flag</i> 1       create is true <i>create_flag</i> 0       create is false
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre>... stpv3: app_open("New_Path", 0) ...</pre>

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Result	If an application <code>New_Path</code> exists, it is selected, if it does not exist, the return is an error descriptor.
See Also	<code>app_close()</code>
Category	Pendant

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## appro

Description	<p>Moves the tool centre-point to an approach position. The approach position is defined by a location, and a distance from that location along the “approach/depart” tool axis.</p> <p>Moves in joint-interpolated mode (tool centre-point curves through space as necessary as a result of joint changes). The motion is not cartesian-interpolated (straight-line).</p> <p>Used to move the arm, usually quickly, to a position near a location before moving the tool, usually slowly, to the location.</p>
Syntax	<code>command   appro( gloc location, float distance )</code>
Parameter	<p><i>location</i>   the target location: a cloc or ploc</p> <p><i>distance</i>   the distance from the location to the approach position: a float</p>
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math></p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p>
Example	<pre>appro(rack_5, 100.0) ;; millimetres appro(tray_1, 4.0)   ;; inches</pre>
RAPL-II	Similar to APPRO.
See Also	<p><code>appros</code>           like <code>appro()</code>, but in straight line motion</p> <p><code>depart</code>           moves to depart position; opposite of <code>appro</code></p> <p><code>departs</code>          moves to depart position; opposite of <code>appros</code></p> <p><code>tool_set</code>         re-defines the tool coordinate system</p>
Category	Motion

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## appros

Description	<p>Moves the tool centre-point to an approach position. The approach position is defined by a location, and a distance from that location along the “approach/depart” tool axis.</p> <p>Moves in cartesian-interpolated mode (straight line motion). The motion is not joint-interpolated (tool centre-point curves through space as necessary as a result of joint changes).</p> <p>Used to move the arm, usually quickly, to a position near a location before moving the tool, usually slowly, to the location.</p>
Syntax	<code>command   appros( gloc location, float distance )</code>
Parameter	<p><i>location</i>   the target location: a cloc or ploc</p> <p><i>distance</i>   the distance from the location to the approach position: a float</p>
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math></p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p>
Example	<code>appros(rack_5, 100.0)</code>

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	<code>appros(tray_1, 4.0)</code>
RAPL-II	Similar to APPRO.
See Also	<div> <div>move</div> <div>like moves(), but not in a straight line</div> </div> <div> <div>depart</div> <div>moves to depart position; opposite of appro</div> </div> <div> <div>departs</div> <div>moves to depart position; opposite of appros</div> </div> <div> <div>tool_set</div> <div>re-defines the tool coordinate system</div> </div>
Category	Motion

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	<b>argc</b>
Description	<p>Returns the number of command-line arguments to the program. The program name is included as an argument.</p> <p>Reminder: Arrays are indexed by zero; The following code segment will produce an error:</p> <pre> num_args = argc() args = argv( num_args ) </pre>
Syntax	<code>func int argc()</code>
Returns	Always succeeds. Returns the number of command line arguments.
Example	<pre> ;; program name: ex_argcv ;; the following example prints out the command line arguments ;; including the name of the process. main     const MAX_COUNT = 10     int num_args, count = 0     string[]@ [10] arg_ptr                ;; maximum of 9 arguments  ;; in addition to the name     num_args = argc()                    ;; get num. of line args.     printf ("number of arguments {} \n", num_args)     while (count &lt; num_args) &amp;&amp; (count &lt; MAX_COUNT)         arg_ptr[count] = argv(count)    ;; initialize ptr to string         printf ("arg {8}: {8} \n", count, arg_ptr[count])         count ++                        ;; increment index count     end while end main </pre>
Result	<p>a command line of "ex_argcv 11 22 33" will produce the following output:</p> <pre> arg 0:      ex_argcv arg 1:      11 arg 2:      22 arg 3:      33 </pre>
See Also	<code>argv</code> returns a pointer to a command-line argument
Category	System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes

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**argv**

Description	Returns a pointer to the <i>n</i> th command-line argument to the program. By convention, <code>argv(0)</code> is the name of the program itself.
Syntax	<code>func string[]@ argv( int n )</code>
Returns	Returns a NULL pointer on failure, or a pointer to the string on success.
Example	<pre> ;; program name: ex_argcv ;; the following example prints out the command line arguments </pre>

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;; including the name of the process.
main
    const    MAX_COUNT = 10
    int      num_args, count = 0
    string[]@[10] arg_ptr                ;; maximum of 9
                                          ;; arguments
                                          ;; in addition to the
                                          ;; name
    num_args = argc()                    ;; get num. of line
args.
    printf ("number of arguments {} \n", num_args)
    while (count < num_args) && (count < MAX_COUNT)
        arg_ptr[count] = argv(count)    ;; initialize pointer to
string
        printf ("arg {8}: {8} \n", count, arg_ptr[count])
        count ++                        ;; increment index count
    end while
end main

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**Result** a command line of "ex\_argcv 11 22 33" will produce the following output:

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arg 0:          ex_argcv
arg 1:          11
arg 2:          22
arg 3:          33

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**See Also** `argc` returns the number of command-line arguments

**Category** System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes

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## armpower

**Description** Enables and disables the armpower switch. As long as one process has the arm power OFF, arm power cannot be turned on.

**Syntax** `command armpower( Boolean switch )`

**Parameter** *switch* Boolean, one of:  
     OFF disables the arm power (turns it off and keeps it off)  
     ON enables arm power (allows arm power to be turned on)

**Returns** Success = 0  
     Failure < 0

**Example** `armpower(OFF)`  
     ...  
     `armpower(ON)`

**RAPL-II** Same as ENABLE/DISABLE ARM and ARM ON/OFF.

**Category** Robot Configuration

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## asin

**Description** Calculates the arc sine of a float.  
     Argument Range:  $+1.0 \geq \text{argument} \geq -1.0$

**Syntax** `func float asin( float x )`

**Returns** Success  $\geq 0$  The arc sine of the argument, an angle in degrees.  
     Failure < 0

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Example	<pre>float x = 0.422618 float y printf ("asin of 0.422618 = {}\n",asin( x ))</pre>	
Result	25.0000	
RAPL-II	ASIN	
See Also	acos	calculates the arc cosine
	atan2	calculates the arc tan
	sin	calculates the sine
Category	Math	
	<i>p</i>	an int.
	<i>pstr</i>	the : a pointer to a string.
	<i>f</i>	the : a pointer to a string.
	<i>l</i>	the : an int.

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## atan2

Description	Calculates the arc tangent of a float, an angle in radians whose tangent is $a/b$ , using the signs of $a$ and $b$ to determine the quadrant.	
Syntax	<pre>func float atan2( float a, float b )</pre>	
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ . Returns the angle. Failure $< 0$	
Example	<pre>printf ("Q1  2, 2: {}\n",atan2 (2,2)) printf ("Q2  2,-2: {}\n",atan2 (2,-2)) printf ("Q3 -2,-2: {}\n",atan2 (-2,-2)) printf ("Q4 -2, 2: {}\n",atan2 (-2,2))</pre>	
Result	<pre>Q1  2, 2:  45.00 Q2  2,-2: 135.00 Q3 -2,-2:-135.00 Q4 -2, 2: -45.00</pre>	
RAPL-II	ATAN2	
See Also	acos	calculates the arc cosine
	asin	calculates the arc sine
	tan	calculates the tangent
Category	Math	

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## axes\_get

Description	Returns the number of machine axes, transform axes, and actual axes installed on the robot. Machine axes are the axes of the robot arm, e.g. 6 for F3. Transform axes are the axes that participate in the kinematics transform, e.g. 7 for F3T (robot arm and track). Actual axes are the total number of axes in the controller, e.g. 8 for T475 with C500-controlled carousel.	
Syntax	<pre>command axes_get( var int machine, var int transform, var int actual )</pre>	
Parameters	<i>machine</i>	the machine axes: an int.
	<i>transform</i>	the transform axes: an int.
	<i>actual</i>	the actual axes: an int.
Returns	Success = 0. Parameters are packed accordingly. Failure $< 0$	

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Example	<pre>int mach, trans, act axes_get( mach, trans, act )</pre>
See Also	<code>axes_set</code> sets the number of machine, transform, and actual axes
Category	Robot Configuration

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## axes\_set

Description	The <code>axes_set</code> command sets the number of axes in the robot system. An axis is a joint that has its position (motion) controlled by the controller. A track or a carousel can be an axis if connected as part of the robot system. For example, an F3, with 6 axes, can have a track as axis 7.
Syntax	<code>command axes_set( int numaxes )</code>
Parameters	<code>numaxes</code> the number of axes; an intReturns Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>axes_set(7)    ;; set the system axes to 7.</pre>
See Also	<code>axes_get</code> gets the number of machine, transform, and actual axes
Category	Robot Configuration

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## axis\_status

Description	Obtains data on the status of all axes.
Syntax	<code>command axis_status( var int[8] status )</code>
Parameter	An array of up to 8 integers into which the status for each axis is stored.
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ The axis status is a bit mask. The bits represent the following:

Bit Number	Use
0	home switch state
1	positive (+) direction limit switch state
2	negative (-) direction limit switch state
3	limp command state
4	axis limp due to collision state
5	arm for receipt of next zero-cross event
6	zero-cross event has happened
7	lock axis from any motion commands
8	any error condition
9	servo fault bit
10	motor fault bit
11	joint homed
12	joint calibrated
13	begin motion
14	loss of feedback check bit
15	axis done state

	Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int[8] curr_status ... axis_status(curr_status)</pre>
RAPL-II	Similar to STATUS which obtained status data but displayed them at the default device.

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Category	Robot Configuration
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	<b>base_get</b>
Description	<p>Gets the current base offset, the redefinition of the origin point and the orientation of the world coordinate system.</p> <p>The default origin is the centre of the base mounting surface of the robot arm.</p> <p>The offset has translational coordinates, x, y, and z, rotational coordinates, zrot, yrot, and xrot, and extra axes (if any). The data type used is a cloc which also has an integer flag.</p>
Syntax	command <code>base_get( var cloc baseloc )</code>
Parameter	<i>baseloc</i> the variable to hold offset data: a cloc of variable size
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math></p> <p><i>baseloc</i> the offset with flag, x, y, z, zrot, yrot, xrot, e1, e2 data: a cloc</p> <p><i>flag</i> the : an int</p> <p><i>x</i> the distance along the X axis, in current units: a float</p> <p><i>y</i> the distance along the Y axis, in current units: a float</p> <p><i>z</i> the distance along the Z axis, in current units: a float</p> <p><i>zrot</i> the rotation around the Z axis, in degrees: a float</p> <p><i>yrot</i> the rotation around the Y axis, in degrees: a float</p> <p><i>xrot</i> the rotation around the X axis, in degrees: a float</p> <p><i>e1</i> the distance or rotation of the first extra axis: a float</p> <p><i>e2</i> the distance or rotation of the second extra axis: a float</p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p>
Example	<pre>cloc curr_offset base_get(curr_offset) print(curr_offset, "\n")    ;; no offset applied</pre>
Result	<code>cloc[9,64(0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0)]</code>
RAPL-II	Similar to OFFSET.
See Also	<p><code>base_set</code> sets a base offset, a re-definition of world coordinates</p> <p><code>shift_w</code> alters coordinate(s)/orientation(s) in world frame of reference</p> <p><code>tool_get</code> gets the current tool transform, the redefinition of tool coordinates</p>
Category	Tool Transform and Base Offset

**base\_set**

Description	<p>Sets a base offset, a redefinition of the origin point and the orientation of the world coordinate system.</p> <p>The default origin is the centre of the base mounting surface of the robot arm.</p> <p>The <code>base_set()</code> command has the capacity for a transformation of a five or six degree-of-freedom arm and one or two extra axes. A cloc data type is used which requires an integer constant flag followed by float constant coordinates. The coordinate system can be redefined by translational coordinates, x, y, and z, and rotational coordinates: zrot, yrot, and xrot. The origin can be further redefined by an extra axis, for example for a track.</p> <p>A common use of the <code>base_set()</code> command is to transform the coordinate system for an inverted-mounted arm.</p>
Syntax	command <code>base_set( var cloc baseloc )</code>

Parameters	<i>baseloc</i> offset with flag, x, y, z, zrot, yrot, xrot, e1, e2 data: a cloc <i>flag</i> the *: an int <i>x</i> the distance along the X axis, in current units: a float <i>y</i> the distance along the Y axis, in current units: a float <i>z</i> the distance along the Z axis, in current units: a float <i>zrot</i> the rotation around the Z axis, in degrees: a float <i>yrot</i> the rotation around the Y axis, in degrees: a float <i>xrot</i> the rotation around the X axis, in degrees: a float <i>e1</i> the distance or rotation of the first extra axis: a float <i>e2</i> the distance or rotation of the second extra axis: a float
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre> cloc      invert invert = cloc{0, 0, 0, 30, 0, 180, 0, 0, 0} base_set (invert)     ;; add 30 units offset to Z     ;; reverse direction of Z and X     ;; appropriate for an inverted arm </pre>
RAPL-II	Similar to OFFSET.
See Also	<i>base_get</i> gets the current base offset <i>shift_w</i> alters coordinate(s)/orientation(s) in world frame of reference <i>tool_set</i> sets a tool transform, a re-definition of the tool coordinate system
Category	Tool Transform and Base Offset

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## boardtemp\_get

Description	The boardtemp_get() function retrieves the C500C main board temperature, in degrees Celsius.
Syntax	func float boardtemp_get()
Returns	Success: returns the temperature.
Example	printf("The board temperature is {} Celsius\n", boardtemp_get())
See Also	analog_get()
Category	Analog Input

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## build\_cloc

Description	Allows building a cartesian location from a set of constants and variables. It is equivalent to using loc_flags_set() to set the cloc's flags, loc_cdata_set() to set the 8 cartesian axis values and loc_re_check() to recompute the checksum of the resulting location.
Syntax	func cloc build_cloc( int flags, float x, float y, float z, float roll, float pitch, float yaw, float e1, float e2 )
Returns	A cloc constructed from the provided data.
See Also	build_ploc(), loc_flags_set(), loc_cdata_set(), loc_re_check()
Category	Location: Data Manipulation

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## build\_ploc

Description	Allows building a precision location from a set of constants and variables. It is equivalent to using <code>loc_machtype_set()</code> to set the ploc's machine type, <code>loc_flags_set()</code> to set the ploc's flags, <code>loc_pdata_set()</code> to set the 8 precision motor pulse values and <code>loc_re_check()</code> to recompute the checksum of the resulting location.
Syntax	<pre>func ploc build_ploc( int machtype, int flags, float x, float y, float z, float roll, float pitch, float yaw, float e1, float e2 )</pre>
Returns	A ploc constructed from the provided data.
See Also	<code>build_cloc()</code> , <code>loc_machtype_set()</code> , <code>loc_flags_set()</code> , <code>loc_pdata_set()</code> , <code>loc_re_check()</code>
Category	Location: Data Manipulation

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## calibrate

Description	Finds the proximity sensor, backs up to the last zero cross, and calibrates axes. Data is written to a calibration file named "robot.cal" stored in the conf/ directory. If no arguments are specified, all axes are calibrated.	
Syntax	<pre>command calibrate( [axis] [,axis] [,axis] . . . )</pre>	
Parameter	axis	an axis to calibrate: an int
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$	
Example	<pre>calibrate() calibrate(1,3)</pre>	
RAPL-II	@@CAL	
See Also	home	homes the axes
	calzc	calibrates at the next zero cross
	zero	sets motor position registers to zero
Category	Calibration	

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## call\_ifunc

Description	Calls an integer function through a function pointer.  Note: The function in question cannot be a VARARGS function. The compiler cannot perform any argument checking, etc. for the call. Use carefully. What is passed to the function is quite literally what is listed. For example, if <code>&lt;int&gt;x</code> is passed, but the function was expecting a var int parameter, it will fail. Var parameters must be passed as explicit pointers, for example: if the function is expecting "var int x", then pass variable "int z" as <code>&amp;z</code> .	
Syntax	<pre>func int call_ifunc(void @funcp, ...)</pre>	
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$	
Example	<pre>func int f1(int a, int b) return a + b</pre>	

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end func

main
  int a, b
  void@ vp
  vp = fl      ;; vp points to the function
  a = 2
  b = 3
  printf("f1(a,b) = {}\n", call_ifunc(vp, a, b))
end main

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Result The program prints out "f1(a,b) = 5"

Category Pointer Conversion and Function Pointers

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## calrdy

Description Moves the arm to the calibrate position. For an F3 or A465, moves the arm straight up. For an A255, moves the arm horizontally outward.

Syntax `command calrdy()`

Parameter `none`

Returns Success  $\geq 0$   
Failure  $< 0$

Example `calrdy()`

Application Shell Same as `calrdy`.

RAPL-II Same as `@CALRDY`.

See Also `zero` sets motor position registers to zero

Category Calibration Motion

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## calzc

Description Calibrates at the next zero pulse of the encoder.

Syntax `command calzc( int axis, var int offset )`

Parameter *axis* the axis to calibrate: an int  
*offset* the offset: an int

Returns Success  $\geq 0$   
Failure  $< 0$

Example `int offset = 0`  
`calzc (1,offset) ;; calibrate axis one with no offset`  
`motion`

RAPL-II `@@CALZC`

See Also `homezc`  
`calibrate` calibrates axes  
`home` homes the axes  
`zero` sets motor position registers to zero

Category Calibration

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## cfg\_load

Description	<p>Loads a text configuration file for the current application. For a concrete example of a configuration file, examine the /conf/robot.cfg robot server configuration file on a typical C500/B/C controller.</p> <p>Text configuration files are useful for holding strings, integers, constant clocs (for tool transforms, etc.) and floating point constants that do not typically change from run to run and do not need to be taught, but nevertheless need to be easily configurable. Note that plocs are not supported.</p>
Syntax	<pre>command cfg_load(string[] myname, cfg_record@ crp, int n_records)</pre>
Parameters	<pre>myname          -- used for constructing the config file name. n_records       -- the number of cfg_records pointed to by crp crp             -- points to the cfg_records describing the                   variables to load</pre>
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math>  Failure <math>&lt; 0</math> (-ve error code)</p>
Details	<p>The <code>cfg_load()</code> mechanism works like this:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The “myname” argument is used to find the correct configuration file to load. The <code>cfg_load()</code> routine tries “myname.cfg” (ie., in the current directory) first, then “/conf/myname.cfg”. If neither of these files exist, then <code>cfg_load()</code> returns the appropriate error code.</li> <li>2. The config file is read, one line at a time. Anything following a ‘;’ is ignored as a comment (unless the ‘;’ is inside a quoted string.) It is expected that lines will be of the form: <pre>symbol value</pre> </li> <li>3. For each “symbol value” line found, the records pointed to by <code>crp</code> are searched. If a match is found, then the <i>value</i> part of the line is converted and stored in the variable indicated by the <code>cfg_record</code>.</li> </ol>
Data structures	<p>The <code>cfg_record</code> structure is a global type definition in the system library, as is defined as:</p> <pre>typedef cfg_record struct     string[]@ ident ;; field name     va_types type   ;; the type (va_t_int, va_t_float,                       ;; va_t_cloc, va_t_string)     int limit      ;; length limit, if va_t_string     void@ where    ;; where to put the value end struct</pre>
Example	<pre>;; A small example that uses the configuration file routines:  ;; These are the variables whose values we wish to configure: int reps = 10 ;; note the initialization to a default value float height cloc ttransform string[20] title  ;; The cfg_record table: #define N_CONFIG 4 cfg_record[N_CONFIG] cfg_table = {     { "reps", va_t_int, 0, &amp;reps }, \     { "height", va_t_float, 0, &amp;height }, \     { "tool", va_t_cloc, 0, &amp;ttransform }, \     { "title", va_t_string, 20, &amp;title } \ }  ;; How we load the config in the main program... main</pre>



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	<pre> ... cfg_load("test", &amp;(cfg_table[0]), N_CONFIG) ;; At this point, all of the config variables have been ;; read in.  If they were absent from the config file, ;; then they still have their default values. ... end main </pre>
Example .cfg file	<pre> ; sample .cfg file for the above example: height 4.2 ; you can have a comment here, too. reps 20 title "This is a test" ; note the format of the value for a cloc. The first number ; is the flags field, the others are x, y, z ... tool { 0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.2, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0 } ; end of the .cfg file </pre>
See Also	cfg_load_fd(), cfg_save(), cfg_save_fd(), cfg_token_get()
Category	Configuration File Handling

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## cfg\_load\_fd

Description	Loads a configuration information from a file that is already open. Please see <code>cfg_load()</code> for details.
Syntax	<pre> command cfg_load_fd(int fd, string[] myname,                     cfg_record@ crp, int n_records) </pre>
Parameters	<pre> fd          -- the open (for reading) config file descriptor myname      -- used for constructing the config file name. n_records   -- the number of cfg_records pointed to by crp crp         -- points to the of cfg_records describing the               variables to load </pre>
Returns	<pre> Success &gt;= 0 Failure  &lt; 0 (-ve error code) </pre>
Example	<pre> ;; See the cfg_load() example above for details.  ;; A small example that uses the configuration file routines:  ;; These are the variables whose values we wish to configure: int reps = 10 ;; note the initialization to a default value float height cloc ttransform string[20] title  ;; The cfg_record table: #define N_CONFIG 4 cfg_record[N_CONFIG] cfg_table = {     { "reps", va_t_int, 0, &amp;reps }, \     { "height", va_t_float, 0, &amp;height }, \     { "tool", va_t_cloc, 0, &amp;ttransform }, \     { "title", va_t_string, 20, &amp;title } \ }  ;; How we load the config in the main program... main int fd ... open(fd, "myconfig.cfg", O_RDONLY, 0) ;; open the file cfg_load_fd(fd, "whatever", &amp;(cfg_table[0]), N_CONFIG) ... end main </pre>

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See Also `cfg_load()`, `cfg_save()`, `cfg_save_fd()`, `cfg_token_get()`

Category Configuration File Handling

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## cfg\_save

**Description** Re-writes a configuration file for the current application. Please see `cfg_load()` for many related details. This allows a program to change its own configuration and then re-write its configuration file. Note that the original configuration file is completely overwritten; all comments in it are lost. Also note that `cfg_save()` will not create a missing config file; the file must already exist (but may be empty).

**Syntax** `command cfg_save(string[] myname, cfg_record@ crp, int n_records)`

**Parameters**

<code>myname</code>	-- used for constructing the config file name.
<code>n_records</code>	-- the number of <code>cfg_records</code> pointed to by <code>crp</code>
<code>crp</code>	-- points to the <code>cfg_records</code> describing the variables to save

**Returns**

Success `>= 0`  
 Failure `< 0` (-ve error code)

**Example**

```
;; To the example from cfg_load(), add the following code
;; to re-write the configuration file:
...
cfg_save("test", &(cfg_table[0]), N_CONFIG)
...
```

See Also `cfg_load()`, `cfg_load_fd()`, `cfg_save_fd()`, `cfg_token_get()`

Category Configuration File Handling

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## cfg\_save\_fd

**Description** Re-writes a configuration file for the current application. Please see `cfg_load()` for many related details. This allows a program to change its own configuration and then re-write its configuration file. Note that the original configuration file is completely overwritten; all comments in it are lost.

**Syntax** `command cfg_save_fd(int fd, string[] myname, cfg_record@ crp, int n_records)`

**Parameters**

<code>fd</code>	-- the open (for writing) config file descriptor
<code>myname</code>	-- used for constructing the config file name.
<code>n_records</code>	-- the number of <code>cfg_records</code> pointed to by <code>crp</code>
<code>crp</code>	-- points to the <code>cfg_records</code> describing the variables to save

**Returns**

Success `>= 0`  
 Failure `< 0` (-ve error code)

**Example**

```
;; To the example from cfg_load(), add the following code
;; to re-write the configuration file using cfg_save_fd():
...
int fd
open(fd, "myconfig.cfg", O_WRONLY | O_TRUNC, 0) ;; open the file
cfg_save_fd(fd, "test", &(cfg_table[0]), N_CONFIG)
...
```

See Also `cfg_load()`, `cfg_load_fd()`, `cfg_save()`, `cfg_token_get()`

Category Configuration File Handling

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## chdir

**Description** Changes the current working directory to *path*. The search for all relative pathnames (all pathnames that do not begin with a slash) starts at the current working directory.

**Syntax** `command chdir( var string[] path )`

**Returns**

0 (-EOK)	Success
-EINVAL	If <i>path</i> was invalid
-ENOTDIR	If <i>path</i> is not a directory
-ENOENT	If <i>path</i> was not found
-EIO	If an I/O error occurred

**Example**

```
int fd
chdir ( "/app/test/test2" )                ;; set working
directory
open (fd, "myfile", O_RDWR|O_CREAT, M_READ|M_WRITE )
fprintf (fd, "file header: 04/23/98")
close (fd)
```

**System Shell** `cd`

**RAPL-II** No equivalent.

**Category** File and Device System Management

## chmod

**Description** Changes access mode information of an object (file or device) in the file system.

**Syntax** `command chmod( var string[] path, int mode )`

**Parameter**

<i>path</i>	string defining the path to the file
<i>mode</i>	the modes of access, of type <code>mode_flags</code> , any combination of:
M_READ	read allowed
M_WRITE	write allowed
M_EXEC	executable

**Returns**

0 (-EOK)	Success
-EINVAL	If the arguments were invalid
-ENOTDIR	If any of the directory components of <i>path</i> was not a directory
-ENOENT	If <i>path</i> was not found
-EIO	If an I/O error occurred
-EAGAIN	If we are temporarily out of the system resources needed to perform this operation.

**Example**

```
chdir ( "/app/test/test2" )                ;; set working directory
open (fd, "myfile", O_RDWR|O_CREAT, M_READ|M_WRITE )
fprintf (fd, "file header: 04/23/98")      ;; write data to file
chmod ( "/app/test/test2/myfile", M_WRITE) ;; prevent file from
being read
close (fd)
```

**System Shell** `chmod`

RAPL-II                    No equivalent.  
 See Also                open            opens a file with specific access mode  
 Category                File and Device System Management

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## chr\_is\_lower

Description            Determines whether a character is lower case. Returns 1 if true, 0 if false.  
 Syntax                func Boolean chr\_is\_lower( int *char* )  
 Parameter            *char*            the character: handled as an int  
 Returns                True = 1  
                         False = 0  
 Example                int len, i, inval\_char=0  
                         string[25] user\_input  
                         ...  
                         printf ("enter selection (lower case only) : ")  
                         readline (user\_input,25)  
                         ...  
                         for i = 0 to (str\_len (user\_input)-1)  
                           if chr\_is\_lower(str\_chr\_get(user\_input,i))== 0  
                             inval\_char = 1                    ;; set invalid char. flag  
                           end if  
                         end for  
 See Also                chr\_is\_upper        checks if a character is upper case  
 Category                String Manipulation

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## chr\_is\_upper

Description            Determines whether a character is upper case. Returns 1 if true, 0 if false.  
 Syntax                func Boolean chr\_is\_upper( int *char* )  
 Parameter            *char*            the character: handled as an int  
 Returns                True = 1  
                         False = 0  
 Example                int len, i, inval\_char=0  
                         string[25] user\_input  
                         printf ("ENTER SELECTION (UPPER CASE ONLY): ")  
                         readline (user\_input,25)  
                         ...  
                         for i = 0 to (str\_len (user\_input)-1)  
                           if chr\_is\_upper(str\_chr\_get(user\_input,i))== 0  
                             inval\_char = 1                    ;; set invalid char. flag  
                           end if  
                         end for  
 See Also                chr\_is\_lower        checks if a character is lower case  
 Category                String Manipulation

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## chr\_to\_lower

Description            Converts a letter from upper case to lower case. If the letter is already lower case, it is not changed.  
 Syntax                func int chr\_to\_lower( int *char* )

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Parameter	<i>char</i>	the character: handled as an int
Returns		
Example	<pre> int  char, len, i, flag=0 string[25]      user_input printf ("enter selection (lower case only): ") readline (user_input,25) ... for i = 0 to (str_len (user_input)-1)     if chr_is_lower(str_chr_get(user_input,i))== 0         char = str_chr_get(user_input,i)  ;; read upper case char         char = chr_to_lower(char)         ;; convert case of char  ;; to lower         str_chr_set (user_input,i,char)    ;; write char back into  ;; string         flag = 1                          ;; set char conversion     end if end for </pre>	
See Also	<i>chr_to_upper</i>	converts a character to upper case
	<i>str_to_lower</i>	converts a string to lower case
Category	String Manipulation	

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## chr\_to\_upper

Description	Converts a letter from lower case to upper case. If the letter is already upper case, it is not changed.	
Syntax	func int chr_to_upper( int <i>char</i> )	
Parameter	<i>char</i>	the character: handled as an int
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0	
Example	<pre> int  char, len, i, flag=0 string[25]      user_input printf ("ENTER SELECTION (UPPER CASE ONLY): ") readline (user_input,25) ... for i = 0 to (str_len (user_input)-1)     if chr_is_lower(str_chr_get(user_input,i))== 0         char = str_chr_get(user_input,i) ;; read lower case char         char = chr_to_upper (char)       ;; convert case of char  ;; to upper         str_chr_set (user_input,i,char)  ;; write char back to  ;; string         flag = 1                        ;; set char conversion     end if end for </pre>	
See Also	<i>chr_to_lower</i>	converts a character to lower case
	<i>str_to_upper</i>	converts a string to upper case
Category	String Manipulation	

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## clear\_error

Description	Clears persistent error bits on the digital signal processor (DSP). This includes runaways, collisions, overspeeds, and encoder faults. After an error of this type,
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the `clear_error()` command **must** be invoked before the arm power can be re-engaged.

NOTE: This command only works with the F-series arms.

Syntax	<code>command clear_error()</code>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$ Returns -ve error descriptor if command fails.
Example	<code>clear_error()</code>
Category	Pendant

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## close

Description	Closes a file or device. The connection between a file descriptor and the open file associated with it is broken This frees the file descriptor for use with other files.									
Syntax	command    close( int <i>fd</i> )									
Returns	<table><tr><td>0 (-EOK)</td><td>Success</td></tr><tr><td>-EINVAL</td><td>The argument was invalid (ie., -ve)</td></tr><tr><td>-EBADF</td><td><i>fd</i> doesn't correspond to an open file.</td></tr><tr><td>-EIO</td><td>An I/O error occurred</td></tr></table>		0 (-EOK)	Success	-EINVAL	The argument was invalid (ie., -ve)	-EBADF	<i>fd</i> doesn't correspond to an open file.	-EIO	An I/O error occurred
0 (-EOK)	Success									
-EINVAL	The argument was invalid (ie., -ve)									
-EBADF	<i>fd</i> doesn't correspond to an open file.									
-EIO	An I/O error occurred									
Example	<pre>int fd ... open ( fd, "filename", O_RDONLY, 0 )    ;; open existing file for reading ... close (fd)</pre>									
RAPL-II	No equivalent									
See Also	open            opens a file									
Category	File and Device System Management									

## closenp

### close named pipe

Description	Closes a named pipe.	
Syntax	closenp( int <i>fd</i> )	
Parameter	<i>fd</i>	the file descriptor: an int
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$	
Example	closenp(pd)  closenp(NT_app_pipe)	
RAPL-II	No equivalent.	
See Also	opennp disconnectnp connectnp statusnp	opens a named pipe disconnects a client from a named pipe connects to a named pipe checks the status of a named pipe

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Category Win 32

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## conf\_get

**Description** Gets a list of robot configuration parameters.

**Syntax** `command conf_get( var int[5] config )`

**Parameter** *config* the configuration: an array of ints to hold:  
     [0] product code  
     [1] robot code  
     [2] number of axes  
     [3] config  
     [4] arm power status

**Returns** Success  $\geq 0$   
 Failure  $< 0$

**Example**

```
int[5] config
conf_get (config) ;; configuration is copied into the array
printf ("Robot configuration data is: ")
for i = 0 to 4
    printf ("{} ",config[i])
end for
```

**Result** Robot configuration data is: 7, 9, 6, 79, 0

**Category** Robot Configuration

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## confirm\_menu

**Description** Using the confirm\_menu command forces the user to confirm an action before it is carried out. The command allows for up to 3 strings to be sent to the pendant screen. Each string will be placed on a different row of the screen starting with the top row. Each string can have a maximum of 20 characters. Any character beyond this is truncated.

**Library** stpv3

**Syntax** `export func int confirm_menu( var string[] str_1, var string[] str_2, var string[] str_3 )`

**Parameter** *str\_1* text string displayed on the top row of the pendant screen  
*str\_2* text string displayed on the second row of the pendant screen  
*str\_3* text string displayed on the third row of the pendant screen

**Returns** Success  $\geq 0$   
 Failure  $< 0$

**Example**

```
int ctrl
string[10] name = "my_app_23"
stpv3:startup()
stpv3:app_open(name, 0)
...
ctrl = stpv3:confirm_menu("Do You wish to","Continue? ","*****")
...
stpv3:app_close()
...
```

**See Also** select\_menu

**Category** Pendant

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## connectnp

### connect named pipe

Description	Checks or waits for a client to connect with the named pipe.  If the wait parameter is set to TM_NOWAIT, the command returns immediately. If the wait parameter is set to TM_FOREVER (or anything else), it will block (not interruptible) until a client connects.	
Syntax	<code>command connectnp( int <i>fd</i>, int <i>wait</i> )</code>	
Parameters	<i>fd</i>	the file descriptor: an int
	<i>wait</i>	
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ , client has connected. Failure $< 0$	
Example	<code>connectnp(pd, TM_NOWAIT)</code> <code>connectnp(NT_app_pipe, TM_FOREVER)</code>	
RAPL-II	No equivalent.	
See Also	<code>disconnectnp</code>	disconnects a client from a named pipe
	<code>closenp</code>	closes a named pipe
	<code>opennp</code>	opens a named pipe
	<code>statusnp</code>	checks the status of a named pipe
Category	Win 32	

## COS

Description	Calculates the cosine of an angle. Takes an argument in degrees.	
Syntax	<code>func float cos( float <i>x</i> )</code>	
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ . The cosine of the argument in degrees. Failure $< 0$	
Example	<code>float x = 45.00</code> <code>float y</code> <code>y = cos( x )</code>	
Result	0.7071	
RAPL-II	COS	
See Also	<code>sin</code>	calculates the sine
	<code>tan</code>	calculates the tangent
	<code>acos</code>	calculates the arc cosine
Category	Math	

## cpath

Description	Calculates and executes a path immediately.  The path is stored as path 0 and can be repeated with <code>ctpath_go(0)</code> .	
Syntax	<code>command cpath( gloc@ locname, int start, int finish, \</code> <code>var trigger_type triggers )</code>	



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Parameter	<i>locname</i> the locations: a pointer to an array of locations <i>start</i> the index of the location array to start: an int <i>finish</i> the index of the location array to finish: an int <i>triggers</i> the information to set gpio outputs: an int[16,2] for any of the rows in the array, <div style="margin-left: 40px;">elements in the 0 column are the indexes of the location array</div> <div style="margin-left: 40px;">elements in the 1 column are the setting and identifiers of gpio output</div>
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre> teachable cloc[10] b trigger_type trig2 ... trig2[0,0]=6    ;; first trigger at location 6 trig2[0,1]=-1   ;; first trigger turns output #1 off trig2[1,0]=7    ;; second trigger at location 7 trig2[1,1]=1    ;; second trigger turns output #1 on trig2[2,0]=9    ;; third trigger is location 9 trig2[2,1]=15   ;; third trigger turns output #15 on ... cpath(&amp;b[0], 5, 9, trig1)     ;; executes a path, starting at b[5] and going to b[9]     ;; using trig2 as a trigger table </pre> <p>The location name must be given in this form. It is not sufficient to simply enter b in the second argument.</p>
RAPL-II	Similar to CPATH.
See Also	ctpath creates and stores a path with triggers ctpath_go executes a stored path
Category	Motion

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## ctl\_get

Description	Gets point of control.
Syntax	command ctl_get()
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0. Will fail only due to communications. - 16, EBUSY, indicates another process has control.
Example	ctl_get()
RAPL-II	There is no corresponding construct.
See Also	ctl_rel releases point of control
Category	System Process Control: Point of Control and Observation

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## ctl\_give

Description	Gives control explicitly to the process specified by the pid parameter.
Syntax	command ctl_give(int pid)
Parameter	<i>pid</i> specifies the process to be given control
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0 Returns negative error code if command fails. Two possibilities are:

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		-EBUSY if calling process doesn't have control to give -ERRCH if no process pid exists
See Also	ctl_rel getpid getppid	releases point of control gets process identification gets parent process
Category	System Process Control: Point of Control and Observation	

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## ctl\_rel

Description	Releases point of control.	
Syntax	command   ctl_rel()	
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0	
Example	ctl_rel()	
RAPL-II	There is no corresponding construct.	
See Also	ctl_get	gets point of control
Category	System Process Control: Point of Control and Observation	

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## ctpath

Description	Creates and stores a continuous path through an array of locations with triggers for gpio (general purpose input/output).  To execute the path, use the ctpath_go() command.	
Syntax	command   ctpath( int <i>pathnum</i> , <i>gloc@ locname</i> , int <i>start</i> , int <i>finish</i> , \ var trigger_type <i>triggers</i> [, int <i>speed</i> ] )	
Parameters	<i>pathnum</i>	the path's index number: an int from 1 to 8
	<i>locname</i>	the locations: a pointer to the first location of an array the locations must all be elements of the same one dimensional array Note the form in the example.
	<i>start</i>	index of the location array to start: an int
	<i>finish</i>	index of the location array to finish: an int
	<i>triggers</i>	the triggers: an array [16,2] of ints where the 16 triggers(rows in the array) are indexed 0 to 15, the trigger info (columns in the array) are indexed 0 and 1, and for any row, the elements contain in column 0, the location, specified by its index in the location array, <i>locname</i> in column 1, the setting of the output, specified by a positive or negative sign, and the output channel, specified by its number See the example below.
Parameter (Optional)	<i>speed</i>	the percentage of full speed through the path: an int if speed is not specified, the current robot speed is used
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0	
Example	teachable cloc[20] a trigger_type trig1 ... trig1[0,0]=0           ;; first trigger at location 0	

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trig1[0,1]=4      ;; first trigger is turning output #4 on
trig1[1,0]=3      ;; second trigger at location 3
trig1[1,1]=1      ;; second trigger is turning output #1 on
trig1[2,0]=5      ;; third trigger is location 5
trig1[2,1]=-4     ;; third trigger is turning output #4 off
...
ctpath(1, &a[0], 0, 19, trig1, 65)
    ;; pre-calculates path 1, starting at a[0] and going to a[19]
    ;; using trig1 as a trigger table and moving at 65% speed.

```

The location name must be given in this form. It is not sufficient to simply enter a in the second argument.

Example	<code>ctpath(10, &amp;mypoints[0], 20, 30, mytrig)</code>
RAPL-II	Similar to CTPATH and TRIGGER.
See Also	<code>ctpath_go</code> runs the path <code>cpath</code>
Category	Motion

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## ctpath\_go

Description	<p>Runs a path previously stored by <code>ctpath()</code>. Moves to the beginning of the specified path and executes the path at the speed previously specified.</p> <p>Moves the arm in joint-interpolated mode to the starting knot of the path at the current speed setting. Moves through the path at the previously specified path speed.</p> <p>Since a <code>cpath()</code> is stored as path 0, the command <code>ctpath_go(0)</code> executes the previous <code>cpath()</code>.</p>
Syntax	<code>command ctpath_go( int pathnumber )</code>
Parameter	<i>pathnumber</i> the path number defined in <code>ctpath</code> : an int
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre> ctpath(1, &amp;a[0], 0, 19, trig1, 65) ... ctpath_go(1) </pre>
Example	<pre> ctpath(3,12,dispense_adhesive) ... ctpath_go(3) </pre>
RAPL-II	Same as GOPATH.
See Also	<code>ctpath</code> creates and stores a continuous path with triggers <code>cpath</code> calculates and executes a path immediately
Category	Motion

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## deg

Description	Converts radians to degrees.
Syntax	<code>func float deg( float x )</code>
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0

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Example	float x = 0.5 float y y = deg( x )
Result	28.647890
RAPL-II	DEG
See Also	rad                      converts degrees to radians
Category	Math

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## delay

Description	Sleeps for at least the number of milliseconds specified in <i>milliseconds</i> . Repeated signals can cause this delay to be longer than the milliseconds requested. Differs from msleep(). delay() allows sleeping without getting terminated by an EINTR error.
Syntax	command delay ( int <i>milliseconds</i> )
Returns	Always returns 0 (Success)
Example	<pre> loop     print ("Waiting for GPIO input 1. \n")     if (input(1,state) == 1 )         break     end if     delay (250) end loop </pre>
RAPL-II	Similar to DELAY.
See Also	msleep      sleeps for milliseconds
Category	System Process Control: Single Multiple processes

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## depart

Description	<p>Moves the tool centre-point from the current position, along the “approach/depart” tool axis, to a depart position. The depart position is defined by a distance from the current position along the “approach/depart” tool axis. Positive distance is away from the location. Negative is towards the location.</p> <p>The starting position can be any position. It does not have to be a location.</p> <p>This command is used to move the tool, usually slowly, away from a position a short distance before moving the arm, usually quickly, to a position a larger distance away.</p> <p>Moves in joint interpolated mode. The result is not a straight line.</p>
Syntax	command depart( float <i>distance</i> )
Parameter	<i>distance</i> the distance from the location to the depart position: a float
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre> depart(2.0) depart(6.0)  speed_set(100) appro(pick_1, 2.0) </pre>

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	<pre> speed_set(20) move(pick_1) finish() grip_close() grip_finish() depart(2.0) speed_set(100) appro(place_1) </pre>	
RAPL-II	Similar to DEPART.	
See Also	<pre> departs appro appros tool_set </pre>	<pre> like depart(), but in straight line motion moves to an approach position; opposite of depart moves to an approach position; opposite of departs re-defines the tool coordinate system </pre>
Category	Motion	

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## departs

Description	<p>Moves the tool centre-point from the current position, along the “approach/depart” tool axis, to a depart position. The depart position is defined by a distance from the current location along the “approach/depart” tool axis. Positive distance is away from the location. Negative is towards the location.</p> <p>The starting position can be any position. It does not have to be a location.</p> <p>Used to move the tool, usually slowly, away from a position a short distance before moving the arm, usually quickly, to a position a larger distance away.</p> <p>Moves in cartesian interpolated mode. The result is straight line motion.</p>	
Syntax	<pre>command  departs( float distance )</pre>	
Parameter	<i>distance</i>	the distance from the location to the depart position: a float
Returns	<pre> Success &gt;= 0 Failure &lt; 0 </pre>	
Example	<pre> departs(2.0) departs(6.0)  speed_set(100) appros(pick_1,2.0) speed_set(20) moves(pick_1) finish() grip_close() grip_finish() departs(2.0) speed_set(100) appros(place_1) </pre>	
RAPL-II	Similar to DEPART.	
See Also	<pre> depart appro appros tool </pre>	<pre> like departs(), but not in straight line motion moves to an approach position; opposite of depart moves to an approach position; opposite of departs re-defines the tool coordinate system </pre>
Category	Motion	

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## disconnectnp

### disconnect named pipe

Description	Breaks a pipe connection with a client. The server forcibly disconnects the client. Must be done to be able to connect with a new client.	
Syntax	command <code>disconnectnp( int <i>fd</i> )</code>	
Parameter	<i>fd</i>	the file descriptor: an int
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$	
Example	<pre>disconnectnp(pd) disconnectnp(NT_app_pipe)</pre>	
RAPL-II	No equivalent.	
See Also	connectnp	connects to a named pipe
	closenp	closes a named pipe
	opennp	opens a named pipe
	statusnp	checks the status of a named pipe
Category	Win 32	

## dup

Description	<p>Duplicates an existing file descriptor. The new file descriptor is the lowest available file descriptor. The new file descriptor, stored in <i>new_fd</i>, has the following in common with the original file descriptor, <i>old_fd</i>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Same open file or device</li> <li>• Same file pointer (Changing the file pointer of one changes file pointer of the other.)</li> <li>• Same access mode (read, write, read/write)</li> </ul>	
Syntax	command <code>dup( var int <i>new_fd</i>, int <i>old_fd</i> )</code>	
Parameter	<i>new_fd</i>	the new file descriptor which is a duplication of <i>old_fd</i> : an int
	<i>old_fd</i>	the file descriptor being duplicated: an int
Returns	<p><math>\geq 0</math> Success.</p> <p>-EAGAIN There are no free file descriptors.</p> <p>-EINVAL The <i>old_fd</i> argument was invalid (i.e. negative).</p> <p>-EBADF <i>old_fd</i> does not correspond to an open file.</p>	
Example	See example for dup2()	
See Also	dup2	creates a new file handle
Category	File and Device System Management	

## dup2

Description	Duplicates an existing file descriptor. The original file descriptor, <i>old_fd</i> , is duplicated at a new position in the file descriptor table specified by <i>new_fd</i> . The
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new file descriptor, *new\_fd*, has the following in common with the original file descriptor, *old\_fd*:

- Same open file or device
- Same file pointer  
(Changing the file pointer of one changes file pointer of the other.)
- Same access mode (read, write, read/write)

`dup2()` creates the new handle with the value of *new\_fd*. If there was a file associated with *new\_fd* already open then `dup2()` first closes this file.

Syntax	<code>command dup2( int <i>new_fd</i>, int <i>old_fd</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>new_fd</i> the position of the new duplicated file descriptor: an int <i>old_fd</i> the file descriptor being duplicated: an int
Returns	<div> <div>&gt;= 0</div> <div>Success.</div> </div> <div> <div>-EINVAL</div> <div>The arguments were invalid (i.e. negative file descriptors).</div> </div> <div> <div>-EBADF</div> <div><i>old_fd</i> does not correspond to an open file.</div> </div> <div> <div>-EINVAL</div> <div>The argument was invalid (i.e. negative file descriptors).</div> </div> <div> <div>-EBADF</div> <div><i>fd</i> does not correspond to an open file.</div> </div> <div> <div>-EIO</div> <div>An i/o error occurred.</div> </div>
Example	<pre> int nul, oldstdout, STDOUT = 1 string[] msg = "This is a test"  ;; create a file open ( nul, "DUMMY.FIL", O_CREAT   O_RDWR, S_IREAD   S_IWRITE )  ;; create a duplicate handle for standard output dup ( oldstdout, STDOUT )  ;; redirect standard output to DUMMY.FIL ;; by duplicating the file handle onto ;; the file handle for standard output dup2 ( STDOUT, nul )  ;; close the handle for DUMMY.FIL close ( nul )  ;; will be redirected into DUMMY.FIL fprintf ( STDOUT, msg )  ;; restore original standard output handle dup2 ( STDOUT, oldstdout )  ;; close duplicate handle for STDOUT close ( oldstdout ) </pre>
See Also	<code>dup</code> creates a new file handle
Category	File and Device System Management

## environ

Description	Allows a program to retrieve each individual string from its environment. [This command is available on the C500C only.]
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Syntax	<code>command environ(var string[] <i>dst</i>, int <i>n</i>)</code>
Parameters	<p>There are two required parameters:</p> <p><i>dst</i>                      a string variable to write the selected environment string into.</p> <p><i>n</i>                          the index of the selected environment string. Starts at zero.</p>
Returns	<p>1 → the selected string was successfully copied into <i>dst</i></p> <p>0 → there is no environment string with the specified index; <i>dst</i> is set to the empty string</p> <p>&lt; 0 → a negative error code.</p>
Explanation	<p>The environment strings are a set of strings of the form “label=value” that are accessible to each running program. When one program launches another one via <code>execl()</code> or <code>execv()</code>, it passes on its set of environment strings. Thus if one program adds a new string to its environment or deletes a string from its environment, all of its children inherit these changes.</p> <p>Environment variables are convenient for storing information about the entire system. When CROS starts up, it sets up the initial environment strings from the diagnostic configuration strings. These strings are always set up by CROS as part of the environment:</p> <p>HOSTTYPE                  What kind of processor the controller has. Typically “i386”.</p> <p>OSTYPE                    What operating system is running Typically “CROS”.</p> <p>SerialNumber              The controller serial number.</p>
Example	<pre>;; This RAPL-3 program displays all of the environment strings: ;; main   int n   string[256] s   n = 0   while (environ(s, n) &gt; 0)     printf("{}\n", s)     n++   end while end main</pre>
See Also	<code>getenv()</code> , <code>setenv()</code> , <code>unsetenv()</code>
Category	Environment Variables

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## err\_compare

Description	Compares two error descriptors for matching subsystem and error code fields. Can be used, for example, to find out if an error is a runaway error (regardless of the axis involved.)
Library	<code>syslib</code>
Syntax	<code>func int err_compare(int d1, int d2)</code>
Parameters	<i>d1</i> , <i>d2</i> error descriptors to compare
Returns	<p>1 (True) if the subsystem and error codes match</p> <p>0 (False) if they do not.</p>

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Example	<pre>t = move(there) if (err_compare(REAXIS_RUNAWAY, -t))     ... runaway error ... end if</pre>
See Also	error descriptors
Category	Error Message Handling

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## err\_compose

Description	The function is passed four integer values representing the subsystem, b2, b1 and code values of a given error descriptor. The function reconstructs and returns the original error descriptor. Refer to the Error Descriptor section for details on the error descriptor.
Syntax	func int err_compose(int subsys, int b2, int b1, int code)
Parameter	<i>subsys</i> The integer value of the subsystem originating the error <i>b2</i> The integer value of the b2 field <i>b1</i> The integer value of the b1 field <i>code</i> The integer value of the specific error code
Returns	Returns the 32 bit error descriptor reconstructed from the 4 separate 8 bit fields. Refer to the Error Handling section for a details on the file descriptor. Failure < 0
Example	A program to confirm that the translation from the error descriptor to the error data is correct.

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int t, comp, err_des
int subsys, code, b2, b1

t = open(fd, "myfile", O_RDONLY, 0)
if (t < 0)  ;; error
    err_des = -t...
    subsys = err_get_subsys(err_des)
    code = err_get_code(err_des)
    b2 = err_get_b2(err_des)
    b1 = err_get_b1(err_des)
    if (comp = err_compose(subsys, b2, b1, code) != err_des)
        ...
        ;; Something went wrong in the error translations
        ...
        exit(1)

    else
        printf("The error {} ", str_error(err_des))
        printf(" occurred in the {} subsystem '\n", str_subsys(err_des))

;; Note the str_error and the str_subsys function calls cannot occur in the
;; same print function call.

        printf("The b2 error field is '{}'\n", b2)
        printf("The b1 error field is '{}'\n", b1)
        exit(1)

    end if
end if
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Result	The error no device occurred in kernel subsystem The b2 error field is X The b1 error field is Y                   ::X and Y are integers.
See Also	err_get_subsys err_get_b2 err_get_b1 err_get_code
Category	Error Message Handling

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## err\_get\_b1

Description	The function is passed a +ve error descriptor. It returns the integer value of the b1 field in the error descriptor. The error descriptor is a 32 bit integer, the negative value of which is returned when a function call fails. Refer to the Error Descriptor section for details on the error descriptor.
Syntax	func int err_get_b1(int descriptor)
Parameter	descriptor   the parameter int is the error descriptor
Returns	Success >= Returns the integer which corresponds to the 8 bits which correspond to the b1 field in the error descriptor. <b>Note:</b> if the b2 field is not defined for the specific error, the function returns 0. Refer to the Error Handling section. Failure < 0
Example	<pre>int t, err_des t = open(fd, "myfile", O_RDONLY, 0) if (t &lt; 0)                ;; error     err_des = -t           ;; change sign of error for use with error functions      printf("The b1 error field is '{0}'\n", err_get_b1(err_des))     exit(1) end if</pre>
Result	The b1 error field is X    X is the integer value of the b2 field of the error descriptor
See Also	error_code addr_decode
Category	Error Message Handling

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## err\_get\_b2

Description	The function is passed a +ve error descriptor. It returns the integer value of the b2 field in the error descriptor. The error descriptor is a 32 bit integer, the negative value of which is returned when a function call fails. Refer to the Error Descriptor section for details on the error descriptor.
Syntax	func int err_get_b2(int descriptor)
Parameter	descriptor           the parameter int is the error descriptor
Returns	Success >=           Returns the integer which corresponds to the 8 bits which correspond to the b2 field in the error descriptor. Note if the b2 field is not defined for the specific error, the function returns 0. Refer to the Error Handling section. Failure < 0

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Example	<pre> int t, err_des t = open(fd, "myfile", O_RDONLY, 0) if (t &lt; 0)           ;; error     err_des = -t      ;; change sign of error for use with error functions      printf("The b2 error field is '{}'\n", err_get_b2(err_des))     exit(1) end if </pre>
Result	The b2 error field is X      X is the integer value of the b2 field of the error descriptor
See Also	error_code addr_decode
Category	Error Message Handling

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## err\_get\_code

Description	<p>The function is passed a +ve error descriptor. It returns the integer value of the code field in the error descriptor. The error descriptor is a 32 bit integer, the negative value of which is returned when a function call fails. Refer to the Error Descriptor section for details on the error descriptor.</p> <p>Note: Use the str_error function to convert the error descriptor to a string.</p>
Syntax	func int err_get_code(int descriptor)
Parameter	descriptor      the parameter int is the error descriptor
Returns	<p>Success &gt;=      Returns the integer which corresponds to the 8 bits which correspond to the code field in the error descriptor. Refer to the Error descriptor section for details.</p> <p>Failure &lt; 0</p>
Example	<pre> int t, err_des t = open(fd, "myfile", O_RDONLY, 0) if (t &lt; 0)           ;; error     err_des = -t      ;; change sign of error for use with error functions      printf("The error code number is '{}'\n", err_get_b2(err_des))     exit(1) end if </pre>
Result	The error code number is X      X is the integer value of the error code
See Also	str_error
Category	Error Message Handling

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## err\_get\_subsys

Description	<p>The function is passed a +ve error descriptor. It returns the integer value of the subsystem where the error originated. The error descriptor is a 32 bit integer, the negative value of which is returned when a function call fails. The subsystem information is carried in the error descriptor. Refer to the Error Descriptor section for details on the error descriptor.</p>
Syntax	func int err_get_subsys(int descriptor)
Parameter	descriptor    the parameter int is the error descriptor

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Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq</math> Returns the integer corresponding to the subsystem. For example:</p> <pre>Subsystem 0  kernel Subsystem 1  robot library Subsystem 2  robot server (List is not complete) Refer to the Error descriptor section for details on the subsystem error files.</pre> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p>
Example	<pre>int t, err_des t = open(fd, "myfile", O_RDONLY, 0) if (t &lt; 0)          ;; error     err_des = -t      ;; change sign of error for use with error functions     printf("The error occurred in subsystem '{}'\n", err_get_subsys(err_des))     exit(1) end if</pre>
Result	The error occurred in subsystem X      X is the decimal number of the subsystem
See Also	error_code addr_decode
Category	Error Message Handling

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### error\_addr

Description	The function returns the address where the current exception occurred.
Syntax	func int error_addr()
Parameter	no parameters required
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math></p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p>
Example	see the example for addr_to_file()
See Also	error_code addr_decode
Category	Error Message Handling

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### error\_code

Description	Get the current exception's error code.
Syntax	func int error_code()
Parameter	no parameter required
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math></p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p>
Example	<pre>try     abort(-1) ;; this should cause an exception except     printf("Error '{}' happened\n", str_error(-error_code())) end try</pre>
Result	The program prints out "Error 'General Error' happened"

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See Also	error_addr addr_decode
Category	Error Message Handling

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## error\_line

Description	Calls the addr_to_line function to determine the line number of the current error. This is equivalent to calling addr_to_line(error_addr()).
Syntax	func int error_line()
Parameters	No parameters required
Returns	Success    The line number Failure    0
Example	see addr_to_line() for a related example.
See Also	error_addr error_file addr_to_line addr_decode*
Category	Error Message Handling

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## error\_file

Description	Calls the addr_to_file function to convert the current error to a file name where the current error resides. This is equivalent to calling addr_to_file(error_addr()).
Syntax	func string[]@ error_file()
Parameters	No parameters required
Returns	Success    A pointer to the file name string Failure    A pointer to an empty string on failure
Example	see addr_to_file() for a related example.
See Also	error_addr error_line addr_to_line addr_decode*
Category	Error Message Handling

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## execl

Description	Loads and executes another program. The program takes all the command-line arguments as string[] parameters. The program that launches the new program is terminated, and the new program takes on the pid number of its terminated parent. The execl() command is often executed from within a child process. This command is used when all of the command-line arguments are known. If they are not known, use execv(). Certain errors can cause the program running execl() to terminate (with exit code 255). For example, missing libraries can cause this.
Syntax	command execl( var string[] file_name, var string[] arg, ... )

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Parameter	file_name arg	the file name, including the path, to be executed a minimum of two arguments is required
Returns	Success	no return- the process ceases to exist and is replaced by the specified new running process
	Failure:	
	-EBADF	fd does not represent an open file
	-EINTR	was interrupted by a signal
	-EINVAL	path is illegal, or there is not at least one command-line argument
	-E2BIG	too many command-line arguments; the file is too big to execute on this CROS version
	-EACCESS	does not have its execute permission bit set
	-ENOEXEC	the file is not a recognized executable
	-ENOMEM	not enough free memory
	-EIO	An I/O error occurred.
	-ENOENT	The file specified by <i>file_name</i> does not exist
	-ESPIPE	can't r/w on a socket
	-EIO	an I/O error occurred
	-ENOTDIR	A component of the path to the file was not a directory.
Example	<pre> int split_id string[] my_prog = "My_Program" ... split_id if split_id == 0     execl (my_prog, "arg0", "arg1", "arg2") else     waitpid (split_id,&amp;status,0)           ;; wait until child has terminated end if </pre>	
RAPL-II	EXECUTE	
See Also	execv	executes another program with unknown arguments
Category	System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes	

## execv

Description	<p>Loads and executes another program. The program that launches the new program is terminated, and the new program takes on the pid number of its terminated parent. The "execv" command is often executed from within a child process. The program takes one other argument which is a pointer to variable length array of strings, argv. These are the command-line arguments for the program. This command is used when the command-line arguments are not known. If the command-line arguments are known, use execl().</p> <p>Certain errors can cause the program running execv() to terminate (with exit code 255). For example, missing libraries can cause this.</p>	
Syntax	command    execv( var string[] <i>file_name</i> , var string[]@@ <i>argv</i> )	
Parameter	file_name argv	the file name, including the path, to be executed pointer to an array of string pointers

Returns	<p>Success    no return- the process ceases to exist and is replaced by the specified new running process</p> <p>Failure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-EBADF                      fd does not represent an open file</li> <li>-EINTR                     was interrupted by a signal</li> <li>-EINVAL                    path is illegal, or there is not at least one command-line argument</li> <li>-EACCESS                  does not have its execute permission bit set</li> <li>-ENOEXEC                  the file is not a recognized executable</li> <li>-ENOMEM                   not enough free memory</li> <li>-EIO                        An I/O error occurred.</li> <li>-ENOENT                   The file specified by <i>file_name</i> does not exist</li> <li>-ESPIPE                    can't r/w on a socket</li> <li>-EIO                        an I/O error occurred</li> <li>-ENOTDIR                  A component of the path to the file was not a directory.</li> </ul>
Example	<pre> string[20]      user_input string[][10]    argv_sp int             i, split_id, status, num_args = 0 loop     printf ("* enter argument: ")     readline(user_input,20)     if user_input != "x"         mem_alloc (argv_sp[num_args], sizeof(user_input))         ;; "x" terminates input         ;; allocate memory and         ;; initialize ptr to memory          argv_sp [num_args]@ = user_input  ;; initialize string         num_args ++                      ;; increment string counter     else         break     end if end loop  split_id = split() if split_id == 0     execv (argv_sp[0]@,&amp;(argv_sp[0]))    ;; * child process     ;; execute new program elseif split_id !=0     waitpid(split_id,&amp;status,0)           ;; * parent process     ;; wait for child to complete end if  for i = 0 to (num_args-1)     mem_free (argv_sp[i])                ;; free allocate memory end for </pre>
RAPL-II	EXECUTE
See Also	<p>execl        executes another program with known arguments</p> <p>argc        returns the number of command-line arguments</p> <p>argv        returns a pointer to a command-line argument</p>
Category	System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes

**exit**

Description	Causes normal program termination. Open files are flushed and closed. The value <i>n</i> is returned to the parent process indicating success or failure. Conventionally, 0 is used to indicate successful termination and non-zero values to indicate abnormal termination. Note that only the lowest 8 bits of the <i>ret_val</i> value are returned to the parent; the value must be in the range 0 to 255.
Syntax	command <code>exit( int <i>ret_val</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>ret_val</i> the value returned to the parent process: an int
Returns	Never returns.
Example	<pre> int pid ... pid = split() if pid == 0     ;; child process does something     exit (0) else     ;; parent process does something end if </pre>
Example	<pre> int result ... result = func_call()                ;; evaluate the function return value if result != EOK                    ;; an error occurred during the function execution     exit (-1) else     exit (0)                        ;; no error end if </pre>
RAPL-II	ABORT
See Also	abort            terminates a program
Category	System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes

**fabs**

Description	Calculates the absolute value of a float.
Syntax	func float <code>fabs( float x )</code>
Argument	x                      the number: a float
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ The absolute value of the argument x. Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre> float x = -99.9 float y y = fabs( x ) </pre>
Result	y is set to 99.9
RAPL-II	ABS
See Also	iabs            calculates the absolute value of an int
Category	Math



## finish

Description	<p>Forces the program to wait at the finish() command until arm motion has finished. Normally a command is executed as soon as its parameters are determined, which can be before the previous command has finished.</p> <p>finish() is often used to finish the motion of the arm to a location before closing the gripper at the location, instead of having the gripper start to close while the arm is still in motion to the location. finish() is also used to synchronize commands, such as input/output, with robot motion.</p> <p>If online mode is off, finish() is not needed between two arm motion commands. In online off mode, arm motion commands are executed as if there is a finish() after each one. There is one exception, the motor() command for different axes. The later motor() command does not wait for the earlier motor() command to finish.</p>								
Syntax	command finish()								
Parameter	No parameters required								
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$								
Example	<pre> appro(pick_1,2.0) move(pick_1) finish() grip_close() ;; Without finish() ;; the grip_close() command would begin executing ;; before the move(pick_1) command finished. </pre>								
RAPL-II	Similar to FINISH.								
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Category	Motion								

## flock

### file lock

Description	<p>Sets and releases advisory locks on a file.</p> <p>At any one time, a file can have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>only one exclusive lock, or</li> <li>any number of shared locks.</li> </ul> <p>A flock() command can interruptably block. If the non-blocking flag, LOCK_NB, is used the operation does not block. If the non-blocking flag is absent, the operation blocks when locking.</p>												
Syntax	command flock( int <i>fd</i> , int <i>operation</i> )												
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	LOCK_SH LOCK_NB	shared lock; return -EAGAIN immediately if this would have
blocked		
	LOCK_EX LOCK_NB	exclusive lock; return -EAGAIN immediately if this would have
blocked		
	LOCK_UN	unlock
Returns		
	0 (-EOK)	Success
	-EINVAL	An argument was invalid
	-EBADF	<i>fd</i> does not correspond to an open file
	-EAGAIN	The LOCK_NB flag was set and we did not immediately succeed.
	-EINTR	This operation was interrupted by a signal.
Example	open ( <i>fd</i> ,"test.txt",O_RDWR O_TEXT O_CREAT O_TRUNC,M_READ M_WRITE)	
	flock( <i>fd</i> ,LOCK_EX)	;; obtain an exclusive lock
Category	File and Device System Management	

## fprint

### file print

Description	Writes the specified data to the file associated with file descriptor <i>fd</i> . Two types of arguments can be given in the variable argument list: constants and variables. The constants are printed exactly as they are given. The variable's value is what is copied to the file descriptor. The method used in printing is to print the arguments in the exact order that they were given.	
Syntax	command fprint ( int <i>fd</i> , ... )	
Parameters	<i>fd</i>	file descriptor: an int string constants or variables
Returns		
	>= 0	Success
	-EINVAL	If the arguments (notably <i>fd</i> ) are invalid.
	-EBADF	If <i>fd</i> does not correspond to an open file.
	-EACCESS	If the file open on <i>fd</i> is not open for writing.
	-ESPIPE	If an attempt is made to write to a socket.
	-EIO	An I/O error occurred.
	-EAGAIN	(nonblocking I/O only). Not ready to write any bytes.
	-EINTR	This operation was interrupted by a signal.
Example	<pre> int    fd float  cycle_count = 4 ... cycle_count = cycle_count +1           ;; now at 5 open \ (fd,"test.txt",O_RDWR O_TEXT O_CREAT O_TRUNC,M_READ M_WRITE) fprint ( fd, "Cycle ",cycle_count," data collection.\n" ) close (fd) </pre>	

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Result	Cycle 5.00000 data collection.\n sent to the file associated with file descriptor <i>fd</i> .
Category	File Input and Output: Unformatted Output Device Input and Output

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## fprintf

file **print** formatted

Description	Converts and writes output to the file associated with file descriptor <i>fd</i> under the control of a specified format <i>fmt</i> .  Format specifications are detailed in the Formatted Output section of File Input and Output
Syntax	command <code>fprintf( int <i>fd</i>, var string[] <i>fmt</i>, ... )</code>
Parameters	<i>fd</i> file descriptor <i>fmt</i> formatted string
Format Specifiers	The format string may consist of two different objects, normal characters, which are directly copied to the file descriptor, and conversion braces which print the arguments to the descriptor. The conversion braces take the format:

```
{ [ flags ] [ field width ] [ .precision ] [ x | X ] }
```

### Flags

Flags that are given in the conversion can be the following (in any order):

- - (minus sign) specifies left justification of the converted argument in its field.
- + (plus sign) specifies that the number will always have a sign.
- 0 (zero) in numeric conversions causes the field width to be padded with leading zeros.

### Field width

The field width is the minimum field that the argument is to be printed in. If the converted argument has fewer characters than the field, then the argument is padded with spaces (unless the 0 (zero) flag was specified) on the left (or on the right if the - (minus sign) was specified). If the item takes more space than the specified field width, then the field width is exceeded.

### precision

The precision number specifies the number of characters to be printed in a string, the number of significant digits in a float, or the maximum number of digits to be printed in an integer.

### x or X

This is the hexadecimal flag which specifies whether or not an integer argument should be printed in hexadecimal (base 16) or not. The lowercase *x* specifies lowercase letters (abcde) are to be used in the hexadecimal display and the uppercase *X* specifies uppercase letters (ABCDE).

Returns	
	<code>&gt;= 0</code> Success
	<code>-EINVAL</code> If the arguments (notably <i>fd</i> ) are invalid.
	<code>-EBADF</code> If <i>fd</i> does not correspond to an open file.

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	-EACCESS	If the file open on <i>fd</i> is not open for writing.
	-ESPIPE	If an attempt is made to write to a socket.
	-EIO	An I/O error occurred.
	-EAGAIN	(nonblocking I/O only). Not ready to write any bytes.
	-EINTR	This operation was interrupted by a signal.
Example	<pre> int          fd float        cycle_count = 4 ... cycle_count = cycle_count +1           ;; now at 5 open (fd,"test.txt",O_RDWR O_TEXT O_CREAT O_TRUNC,M_READ M_WRITE) fprintf ( fd, "Cycle {6.4} data collection.\n",cycle_count) close (fd) </pre>	
Result	Cycle 5.000 data collection.	
Category	File Input and Output: Formatted Output Device Input and Output	

## freadline

### file read line

Description	<p>Reads (possibly interactively) a line of up to <i>maxlen</i> characters from <i>infd</i> into <i>str</i>. If <i>outfd</i> <math>\geq</math> 0, then echoing is done to <i>outfd</i> and interactivity is assumed. The line terminator can be either a carriage return or a line feed. Returns the number of characters actually read including the terminator. A value of 0 means EOF. The function can return up to <i>maxlen</i> + 1 since the end of line is included in the count, but not in the returned string.</p>	
Syntax	<pre>command  freadline ( int infd, int outfd, var string[] str, int maxlen )</pre>	
Parameters	<p><i>infd</i>      file descriptor of data source</p> <p><i>outfd</i>      file descriptor of echoed data or -1 if you are reading from a file (with no echoing needed.)</p> <p><i>str</i>        destination of data read from <i>infd</i></p> <p><i>maxlen</i>    maximum length of character read</p>	
Returns	<p><math>\geq</math> 0            Success; the number of characters read, including the terminator</p> <p>-EINVAL        the arguments were invalid</p> <p>-EBADF        one of the file descriptors do not correspond to an open file</p> <p>-EACCESS       tried to read/write from a file that was not opened for the required access</p> <p>-ESPIPE        can't r/w on a socket</p> <p>-EIO            an I/O error occurred</p> <p>-EAGAIN        (nonblocking I/O) no bytes were ready for reading / the device was not ready for writing</p>	

	-EINTR	this operation was interrupted by a signal
Example	<pre> int fd string[64] user_input open (fd,"log.txt", O_RDWR O_TEXT O_CREAT, M_READ M_WRITE) seek (fd,0,SEEK_END)                                ;; append user   ;; input to file  freadline (stdin,stdout,user_input,64)              ;; input is read   ;; from "stdin"   into string "user_input"and echoed out to "stdout" writes (fd,user_input,0)                            ;; write string to   ;; file writes (fd,"\n",0)                                  ;; write new line   ;; char. to file  close (fd) </pre>	
See Also	readline	
Category	File Input and Output: Unformatted Input Device Input and Output	

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## fstat

Description	Obtains information about a particular open object in the file system.	
Syntax	command fstat( int <i>fd</i> , var <i>c_dirent buf</i> )	
Parameters	<p>There are two required paramters</p> <p><i>fd</i>            the file descriptor of the open object</p> <p><i>buf</i>            a <i>c_dirent</i> structure. See the information on stat() for further details.</p>	
Returns	<p>&gt;= 0        Success; buf is filled in with data about the object. Note that the de_name field will be a null string, as the system cannot currently find the name of the open object.</p> <p>&lt; 0        Failure</p> <p>Possible failure codes are:</p> <p>-EINVAL        the arguments were invalid.</p> <p>-EBADF        there is no open object corresonding to <i>fd</i>.</p> <p>-EIO            I/O error</p>	
Example	<pre> int fd c_dirent info open(fd, "/conf/rc", O_RDONLY, 0) ... fstat(fd, info) printf("The /conf/rc file is {} bytes long.\n", info.de_size) ... </pre>	
Result	The size of the /conf/rc file is displayed.	
See Also	stat()	
Category	File and Device System Management	

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**ftime**

Description	Changes the modification time of an open filesystem object.								
Library	syslib								
Syntax	command <code>ftime(int <i>fd</i>, int <i>modtime</i>)</code>								
Parameters	There are two required parameters: <table> <tr> <td><i>fd</i></td><td>the open file descriptor</td></tr> <tr> <td><i>modtime</i></td><td>what time to reset the object's modification time to.</td></tr> </table>	<i>fd</i>	the open file descriptor	<i>modtime</i>	what time to reset the object's modification time to.				
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Example	<pre>int fd, t t = time()           ;; get the time NOW open(fd, "myfile", O_RDWR, 0) ... ftime(fd, t - 60)    ;; reset the timestamp to one minute ago ...</pre>								
See Also	utime()								
Category	File and Device System Management								

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**gains\_get**

Description	Gets the gains for an axis.								
Syntax	command <code>gains_get( int <i>axis</i>, var float <i>kp</i>, var float <i>ki</i>, var float <i>kd</i> )</code>								
Parameters	<table> <tr> <td><i>axis</i></td><td>the axis being inquired: an int</td></tr> <tr> <td><i>kp</i></td><td>proportional gain: a float</td></tr> <tr> <td><i>ki</i></td><td>integral gain: a float</td></tr> <tr> <td><i>kd</i></td><td>derivative gain: a float</td></tr> </table>	<i>axis</i>	the axis being inquired: an int	<i>kp</i>	proportional gain: a float	<i>ki</i>	integral gain: a float	<i>kd</i>	derivative gain: a float
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<i>ki</i>	integral gain: a float								
<i>kd</i>	derivative gain: a float								
Returns	Success <code>&gt;= 0</code> Failure <code>&lt; 0</code>								
Example	<pre>;; check default gains for A465 axis 1  float p, i, d gains_get( 1, p, i, d ) print ("p = ",p,"\ni = ",i,"\nd = ",d,"\n")</pre>								
Result	<pre>p = 12.0000 i = 0.0200000 d = 100.000</pre>								
See Also	<code>gains_set</code> sets the gains for an axis								
Category	Robot Configuration								

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## gains\_set

Description	Sets the gains for an axis.
Syntax	<code>command gains_set( int axis, var float kp, var float ki, var float kd )</code>
Parameters	<i>axis</i> the axis being set: an int <i>kp</i> proportional gain: a float <i>ki</i> integral gain: a float <i>kd</i> derivative gain: a float
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>;;An example to create an array of gains for each axis, and then set the gains to values stored ;;in the array. The gains are then printed for each axis. ;; int axis_num, count float[6] P, float[6] I float[6] D ... ;; initialize the array of gains ...         for count =0 to 5             axis_num = count +1             gains_set(axis_num, P[count], I[count], D[count])             printf ("Axis_num, P:{}, I{}, D{} \n", P[count],I[count],D[count])         end for</pre>
RAPL-II	@@GAIN
See Also	<code>gains_get</code> gets the gains for an axis
Category	Robot Configuration

## get\_ps

Description	<p>Obtains an entry in the system's process table. Can be used to obtain all entries one at a time, like the system shell's <code>ps</code> command.</p> <p>CROS-500 has room in the process table for 20 entries, numbered from 0 to 19. CROSnt has room in the process table for 64 entries, numbered from 0 to 63. Data is stored in the table from the back to the front — the oldest process, <code>init</code>, is entry 19 or 63, the second oldest is 18 or 62, and so on. As a result, printing the data by incrementing the slot number up to 19 or 63, places the oldest entry last, like the system shell's <code>ps</code> command.</p> <p>Any empty slot in the process table is zeroed. Since processes have pids numbered from 1, you can test for an empty slot by testing for a pid of 0 (zero). This <code>get_ps()</code> command gets the process information for the entry identified by <i>slot</i>. The information is stored in the <code>ps_struct ps</code>, which is a globally declared struct. If <i>slot</i> is out of range, <code>-EINVAL</code> is returned.</p>
Syntax	<code>command get_ps( int slot, var ps_struct ps )</code>

Parameters	<i>slot</i> the entry of the process table: an int (CROSnt: 0-63; CROS-500: 0-19) <i>ps</i> the process information: a ps_struct struct, with members <i>pid</i> an int <i>ppid</i> an int <i>flags</i> a constant of the enum ps_flags, one of: PR_IN_SYSTEM PR_NO_SIGNAL PR_RAPL3 this is a RAPL-3 process PR_PRIVILEGED this is a privileged system process PR_INTERRUPTED PR_TIMEDOUT <i>status</i> a constant of the enum ps_status, one of: PS_FREE PS_HOLD PS_READY PS_RUN PS_SLEEP PS_STOP PS_ZOMBIE PS_WAITIO PS_WAITSEM PS_WAITSOCK PS_WAIT <i>prio</i> a constant of the enum ps_priority, one of: PR_LOW PR_NORM PR_HIGH <i>sigmask</i> an int <i>sigpending</i> an int <i>sys_fticks</i> an int <i>usr_fticks</i> an int <i>rt_slippage</i> an int <i>clicks</i> an int <i>argv0</i> the name of the process or program, a string[32]
Returns	0 (-EOK) Success -EINVAL <i>slot</i> was out of range (negative or too large)
Example	<pre>ps_struct ps get_ps( 63, ps)</pre>
Example	<pre>int slot = 0 ps_struct ps ... get_ps( slot, ps)</pre>
Example	<pre>int slot = 0 ps_struct ps int pid, status, ret loop     ret = get_ps(slot, ps)     if ret == -EINVAL         break     end if     pid = ps.pid     status = ps.status     printf("pid {2} status {2} \n",pid,status)     slot = slot + 1 end loop</pre>
Example	<pre>int slot = 0 ps_struct ps</pre>



```

string[]@[12] status_string = { \
    "FREE ", "HOLD ", "READY", "RUN  ", \
    "SLEEP", "STOP ", "ZOMB ", "WIO  ", \
    "WSEM ", "WSOCK", "WAIT ", "IWIO " }
...
while((get_ps(slot, ps)) != -EINVAL)
    slot++
    if (ps.pid == 0)
        continue
    end if
    printf("pid {2}  status {2}  name {} \n" \
,ps.pid,status_string[ps.status],ps.argv0)
end while

```

RAPL-II	No equivalent.	
See Also	getpid	get the process's id number
	getppid	get the parent's id number
	module_name_get	get the name of the module
Category	System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes	

## getenv

Description	Allows a program to retrieve the value of a specified environment string. [getenv() is available on a C500C only.]	
Syntax	command getenv(var string[] <i>dst</i> , string[] <i>key</i> )	
Parameters	There are two required parameters:	
	<i>dst</i>	A string variable in which the result will be stored.
	<i>key</i>	The key to search for.
Returns	0 → the key was not found; <i>dst</i> is set to the null string. 1 → the key was found; <i>dst</i> is set to the value part of the string. -ve → a negative error code.	
Example	<pre> ;; One of the environment strings that is always defined is ;; the SerialNumber string (which looks like: ;;   "SerialNumber=XYZ1234" ;; This code displays what the controller serial number is. ;; If the serial number environment string were as above, then ;; it would print the "XYZ1234" portion: string[32] sn getenv(sn, "SerialNumber") printf("The controller serial number is '{ }'\n", sn) </pre>	
See Also	environ(), setenv(), unsetenv()	
Category	Environment Variables	

## getopt

Description	<p>Provides a mechanism for handling command line arguments and options. It is patterned after the getopt(3) function of ANSI C. The getopt() function is based on the assumption that command lines look like this:</p> <p><i>name</i> [-options] <i>otherargs</i>...</p> <p>where <i>name</i> is the name of the command being run, [-options] is an optional list of option flags, each starting with a '-' character, and <i>otherargs</i> is a set of other items (not starting with '-') on the command line.</p>
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Syntax `func int getopt(string[] opts)`

Related vars There are several related variables exported from `syslib` to support `getopt()`:

<pre>int syslib:opterr</pre>	<p>This variable is a flag that the user can set before calling <code>getopt()</code>. If non-zero (which is the default), it indicates that <code>getopt()</code> should report errors on its own. A typical <code>getopt()</code> error message looks like:</p> <pre>    name: illegal option -X     or  name: option requires an argument     -X</pre> <p>where <i>name</i> is the name of the program (as returned by <code>argv(0)</code>) and <i>X</i> is the option character with the problem.</p>
<pre>int syslib:optind</pre>	<p>This variable indicates which <code>argv()</code> is the next one for <code>getopt()</code> to process.</p>
<pre>string[256] syslib:optarg</pre>	<p>For options with arguments, <code>getopt()</code> places the argument string in here.</p>

Parameters

*opts* A string with a list of all the valid option flags. For example, if the string is "abc", then `getopt()` expects that "-a", "-b" and "-c" are all valid options for the command. If an option letter in *opts* is followed by a ':', then the option is supposed to have an argument following it. For example, if *opts* is "af:h", then the valid options are "-a", "-h" and "-f argument" or "-fargument".

Returns

Success: the character from the *opts* string that was matched, or EOARGS (which is -1) if we have run out of option flags to parse.  
 Failure: '?' if an unrecognized or illegal option was found. If `syslib:opterr` is not zero, then `getopt()` reports the error before returning the '?'.

Example

The `getopt()` function is rather complex, and in more need than most of an example. The following short program illustrates how to use `getopt()`:

```
sub usage()
  ;; display a usage message
  fprintf(stderr, "Usage: {} [-options] arg1 [arg2...]\n", argv(0))
  fprintf(stderr, "Options are:\n")
  fprintf(stderr, "    -a          do something\n")
  fprintf(stderr, "    -b          do something else\n")
  fprintf(stderr, "    -c target  do something to someone\n")
  fprintf(stderr, "    -h, -?     display this message\n")
  exit(1)
end sub

main
  int ch
  loop
    ch = getopt("abc:h?")
    if (ch < 0)
      break
    end if
    case (ch)
    of 'a':
      printf("got -a\n")
    of 'b':
      printf("got -b\n")
    of 'c':
```

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        printf("got -c {}\n", syslib:optarg)
    else
        ;; '?' and 'h' fall into here as well
        usage()
    end case
end loop

if (syslib:optind == argc())
    ;; we don't have an arg1 - we are at the end of the list
    fprintf(stderr, "{}: missing argument\n", argv(0))
    usage()
end if

printf("The other arguments are:\n")
while (syslib:optind < argc())
    printf("  {}\n", argv(syslib:optind))
    syslib:optind++
end while

exit(0)
end main

```

See Also

argc(), argv()

Category

System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes

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## getpid

Description

Returns the id number of the process of the calling program.

Syntax

func int getpid()

Returns

The process id of the calling program.

Example

```

int pid
...
pid = getpid() ;; get our process id number

```

See Also

getps	gets entry in process table
getppid	get the parent's id number
module_name_get	get the name of the module

Category

System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes

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## getppid

Description

Returns the id number of the parent process of the calling program.

Syntax

func int getppid()

Returns

The process id of the parent of the calling process.

Example

```

int ppid
...
ppid = getppid() ;; get our parent process id number

```

See Also

getps	gets entry in process table
getppid	get the parent's id number
module_name_get	get the name of the module

Category

System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes

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## grip

Alias of

**gripdist\_set**

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alias	same as
<code>grip(...)</code>	<code>gripdist_set(...)</code>

Description	Moves the fingers of the servo-gripper to a specified distance apart from each other.
Example	<code>grip(1.0)</code>
RAPL-II	Same as GRIP.
See	<code>gripdist_get</code> gets the current servo finger separation distance
Category	Gripper Motion

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## **grip\_cal**

Description	Calibrates the gripper by setting travel distance.
Syntax	<code>command grip_cal( float mindist, float maxdist )</code>
Parameters	<i>mindist</i> the minimum distance for finger travel: a float <i>maxdist</i> the maximum distance for finger travel: a float
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<code>grip_cal( 0.0, 50.80 ) ;; millimetres for standard servogripper</code>
Example	<code>grip_cal( 25.0, 50.0 ) ;; min and max for custom fingers and objects</code>
Example	<code>grip_cal( 0.0, 2.0 ) ;; inches for standard servogripper</code>
See Also	<code>calibrate</code> calibrate the arm axes <code>gripdist_set</code> opens/closes servo fingers to specified separation distance <code>gripdist_get</code> gets current servo finger separation distance <code>grip_open</code> opens the gripper <code>grip_close</code> closes the gripper
Category	Gripper Calibration

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## **grip\_close**

Description	Closes the gripper. If configured with a servo gripper the command accepts an optional argument specifying the force used by the gripper. The argument is given as a percentage of full force valid range 0 to 100.  Fingers can be machined to surround an object and grasp it on the outside, or machined to be inserted into a hole and grasp the object by exerting force on the insides of the hole. This configuration determines whether the object is grasped by <code>gripclose()</code> and released by <code>gripopen()</code> , or grasped by <code>gripopen()</code> and released by <code>gripclose()</code> .
Warning	Gripping at a force above 75% for more than a few seconds may shorten the life of the servo-gripper. To grip an object without overloading the gripper, after initially making contact with the object, reduce the force. The servo-gripper mechanics keep a firm grip on the object.
Syntax	<code>command gripclose( [int servo_force] )</code>

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Argument (Optional)	<i>servo-force</i>	the percentage of force applied: an int
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$	
Example	<pre> move(get_part) finish() grip_close(100) grip_finish() msleep(200) grip_close(60) </pre>	
RAPL-II	Similar to CLOSE.	
See Also	grip_open gripdist_set gripdist_get	opens the gripper; opposite of grip_close sets the servo fingers at a separation distance gets the current servo finger separation distance
Category	Gripper Motion	

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## **grip\_finish**

Description	<p>Like the finish() command, holds execution of the program at the grip_finish() command until gripper motion has finished. Normally a command is executed as soon as its parameters are determined, which can be before the previous command has finished. grip_finish() is often used to finish the motion of the gripper at or near a location before moving the arm. Also used to synchronize commands, such as input/output, with gripper motion.</p> <p>If online mode is off, online(OFF), grip_finish() is not needed between two gripper motion commands. Gripper motion commands are executed as if there is a grip_finish() after each one.</p>	
Syntax	command grip_finish()	
Parameter	empty	
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$	
Example	<pre> online(ON) ... appro(rack[i,j], 200)    ;; millimetres finish() move(rack[i,j]) finish() grip_close() grip_finish() depart(200) </pre>	
See Also	finish gripisfinished	holds execution until arm motion finished returns TRUE if gripper is finished moving
Category	Gripper Motion	

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## **grip\_open**

Description	<p>Opens the gripper. Takes an optional argument for a servo-gripper, of the percentage of force with a valid range between 0 - 100..</p> <p>Fingers can be machined to surround an object and grasp it on the outside, or machined to be inserted into a hole and grasp the object by exerting force on the</p>
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insides of the hole. This configuration determines whether the object is grasped by `gripclose()` and released by `gripopen()`, or grasped by `gripopen()` and released by `gripclose()`.

Warning	Gripping at a force above 75% for more than a few seconds may shorten the life of the servo-gripper. To grip an object without overloading the gripper, after initially making contact with the object, reduce the force. The servo-gripper mechanics keep a firm grip on the object.	
Syntax	<code>command grip_open( [int servo_force] )</code>	
Argument (Optional)	<i>servo_force</i>	the percentage of force applied: an int
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$	
Example	<pre>move(set_part) finish() grip_open() grip_finish() depart(2.0)</pre>	
RAPL-II	Similar to OPEN.	
See Also	<code>grip_close</code>	closes the gripper; opposite of <code>grip_open</code>
	<code>gripdist_set</code>	sets the servo fingers at a separation distance
	<code>gripdist_get</code>	gets the current servo-finger separation distance
Category	Gripper Motion	

## **gripdist\_get**

Description	Gets the distance between fingers of the servo-gripper.	
Syntax	<code>command gripdist_get( var float distance)</code>	
Parameter	<i>distance</i>	float variable to store current gripper distance
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ . The finger distance: a float. Failure $< 0$	
Example	<pre>float my_gripper_dist ... close (100) grip_finish() gripdist_get( my_gripper_dist ) if my_gripper_dist &lt;=30     return (-1)          ;; gripper has no part in fingers else     return (0)           ;; gripper has part in fingers end if</pre>	
RAPL-II	WGRIP()	
See Also	<code>grip</code>	sets the finger separation distance
	<code>setgriptype</code>	sets the gripper type (air, servo, etc.)
Category	Gripper	

## **gripdist\_set**

Alias

### **grip**

alias	same as
<code>grip(...)</code>	<code>gripdist_set(...)</code>

Description	Moves the fingers of the servo-gripper to a specified distance apart from each other.  To attain the grip distance, fingers open or close depending on the starting position.
Warning	Do not use this command to hold an object. This will damage the gripper. The <code>gripdist_set()</code> command operates at 100% force. To control gripper force and hold an object, use the <code>gripclose()</code> and <code>gripopen()</code> commands.
Syntax	<code>command gripdist_set( float distance )</code>
Parameter	<i>distance</i> the distance between fingers in current units: a float
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<code>gripdist_set(1.0)</code>
RAPL-II	Similar to GRIP.
See Also	<code>gripdist_get</code> gets the current servo finger separation distance <code>grip_close</code> closes the gripper (with force for servo) <code>grip_open</code> opens the gripper (with force for servo)
Category	Gripper Motion

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## **gripisfinished**

Description	Determines if the gripper is finished moving. Returns FALSE (0) , TRUE, or error $< 0$ .
Syntax	<code>command gripisfinished()</code>
Parameters	empty
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre> int depart_dis teachable ploc place ... move(place) grip_close(50) loop     if gripisfinished()         depart(depart_dis)     else         msleep(250)     endif end loop </pre>
Result	Depart location place after the gripper is closed.
See Also	<code>grip_close</code> <code>grip_finish</code>
Category	Gripper Robot Configuration

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## **gripper\_stop**

Description	The command stops any gripper motion.
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Syntax	<code>command griper_stop()</code>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$ Returns -ve error descriptor if command fails.
Example	<code>... gripper_stop()</code>
Result	Gripper motion stops
See Also	<code>grip_open</code> <code>grip_close</code> <code>gripdist_set</code> <code>gripdist_get</code>
Category	Gripper Motion

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### **griptype\_get**

Description	Gets what the robot gripper type is currently set to.
Syntax	<code>command griptype_get(var grip_type gtype)</code>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ ; gtype is filled in with the gripper type code. Failure $< 0$ (-ve error code)
Example	This RAPL-3 code segment displays, in words, the setting of the gripper type:  <pre>int gtype griptype_get(gtype) case (gtype) of 0:     printf("No gripper type selected\n") of GTYPE_AIR:     printf("Air gripper selected\n") of GTYPE_SERVO:     printf("Servo gripper selected\n") end case</pre>
See Also	<code>griptype_set()</code>
Category	Gripper

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### **griptype\_set**

Description	Sets the gripper type to correspond to the gripper in use. Gripper type must be set to GTYPE_SERVO to use the gripdist_set() or gripdist_get() command.
Syntax	<code>command griptype_set(grip_type gtype)</code>
Parameters	One of: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; padding: 0 20px;"> <span>GTYPES_AIR</span> <span>for air grippers (the default)</span> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; padding: 0 20px;"> <span>GTYPES_SERVO</span> <span>for servo-motor grippers</span> </div>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<code>griptype_set( GTYPES_SERVO )</code>
RAPL-II	@@SETUP grip type questions

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See Also	<code>grip_open</code>	opens the gripper
	<code>grip_close</code>	closes the gripper
	<code>gripdist_set</code>	opens/closes servo fingers to specified separation distance
	<code>gripdist_get</code>	gets current servo finger separation distance
	<code>grip_finish</code>	finishes current gripper motion
	<code>gripisfinished</code>	determines if the gripper motion is finished

Category	Gripper Robot Configuration
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## halt

Description	Stops any current robot motion.
Syntax	<code>command halt()</code>
Parameter	(empty)
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<code>halt()</code>
RAPL-II	Similar to HALT.
See Also	<code>finish</code> finishes current motion command before next motion
Category	Motion

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## heap\_set

Description	<p>Sets the heap size for current application. The heap is a storage space that can be allocated under user control. The default size is 4K bytes which equals 1K words (4 bytes = 1 word). The command <code>heap_set()</code> sets the heap size of the current process to at least <i>size</i> words. Note that if you run out of heap space, the system will attempt to allocate you more. That being said, it is generally better (and faster) to simply allocate enough for your program at the start.</p> <p>Note that if <code>heap_set()</code> is called after allocations have already been done, resetting the heap size may be time consuming.</p>	
Syntax	<code>command heap_set( int size )</code>	
Parameter	<i>size</i> integer value of the size of memory to be allocated in words (word = 4 bytes)	
Returns	$\geq 0$ Success -ENOMEM There is not enough memory for the requested operation. -EINVAL <i>size</i> is a nonsensical value (ie., negative)	
Example	<pre>int mem = 8192 heap_set(mem) ... ;; allocate memory needed using mem_alloc() command</pre>	
Result	Allocates 8192 bytes of memory	
See Also	<code>heap_space</code> <code>heap_size</code>	determines the longest free area in the heap returns the number of words in heap segment

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mem\_alloc      allocates memory -(can increase allocated heap if necessary)  
 mem\_free      free memory space

Category

Memory

## heap\_size

Description

Returns the number of words in the heap segment of the current process. This total size includes free, allocated, and overhead.

Syntax

```
func int heap_size()
```

Parameters

none

Returns

Returns the number of words the entire heap currently occupies.

Example

```
int size_heap
size_heap=heap_size()
if (size_heap < 16)
    heap_set(16)
end if
```

Result

If the heap is not at least 16 Kbytes then it is set to 16 Kbytes

See Also

heap\_space()      find the amount of free space in the heap  
 heap\_set()      set the total amount of space in the heap

Category

Memory

## heap\_space

Description

Determines the length of the longest contiguous free area available in the program's heap. If an object greater than this size is allocated using mem\_alloc() then the system will have to expand the size of the heap.

Syntax

```
func int heap_space()
```

Returns

The length of longest contiguous area, in words.

Example

```
int heap_bloc, space = 3
void@ ptr
heap_bloc = heap_space()
if heap_bloc < 5
    printf("heap space is low/n")
    ...
    mem_alloc(ptr, space)
else
    mem_alloc(ptr, space)
end if
```

Result

Allocates memory of 3 words (12 bytes) - Notifies user if heap space is less than 5 Kbytes.

RAPL-II

Similar to FREE

See Also

mem\_alloc()      allocates an area of memory and initializes it  
 mem\_free()      de-allocates an area of memory  
 heap\_set()      sets the heap size of the current process  
 heap\_size()      determines how big the heap is in total.

Category

Memory

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## here

Description	Stores the current commanded robot location in the specified location variable. A precision or cartesian location is stored, depending on the location type of the input variable. Currently, the location's type must be explicitly defined prior to use in the here() command.
Syntax	<code>command here( var gloc location )</code>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>loc_class_set( #first ,loc_precision) loc_class_set( _last  ,loc_cartesian) ... here( first )           ;;store precision location ... here( last )           ;;store cartesian location</pre>
RAPL-II	HERE
See Also	<code>pos_get</code> gets the position of the robot
Category	Location: Data Manipulation

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## home

Description	Homes the specified axes <i>in numerical order</i> : 1 (waist), 2 (shoulder), 3 (elbow), 4, 5, 6. This command assumes the robot has been correctly calibrated.
Syntax	<code>command home( [axis] [,axis] [,axis] ... )</code>
Parameter(s)	<i>axis</i> an axis to home
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>if home(7) &gt;= 0     if home(1,2,3,4,5,6) &gt;= 0         else             print "Error homing arm.\n"         end if     else         print "Error homing track.\n"     end if</pre>
RAPL-II	Similar to HOME.
See Also	<code>calibrate</code> calibrates axes <code>homezc</code> homes the axis specified <code>ready</code> moves the arm to the READY position <code>robotishomed</code> gets the homed or not-homed state of axes
Category	Home

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## homezc

Description	Homes the axis specified, and returns the offset in pulses.
Syntax	<code>command homezc( int axis, var int offset )</code>
Parameter(s)	<i>axis</i> an axis to home <i>offset</i> the offset

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Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$										
Example	<pre>int machine, transform, actual, I int[8] offsets  axes_get(machine, transform, actual)   for i = 1 to machine     homezc(i, offsets[i])     printf("axis {1} offset is {}\n", i,offsets[i])   end for</pre>										
Result	Homing axis 1... OK axis 1 offset is 519										
RAPL-II	Same as HOMEZC.										
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Category	Home										

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## hsw\_offset\_get

Description	Returns the offset between the homing switch and the calibration position of a given axis, in encoder pulses. Used with an A465.
Syntax	func int hsw_offset-get( int axis )
Parameter	<i>axis</i> the axis to be inquired: an int
Returns	
Example	<pre>int machine, transform, actual, i, robot int[8] offsets  robot = robot_type_get() printf("robot is {}\n", robot)    if robot == 465     axes_get(machine, transform, actual)     for i = 1 to machine       offsets[i] = hsw_offset_get(i)       printf("axis {1} offset is {}\n", i,offsets[i])     end for   else     printf("Robot must be a 465 for this command")   end if</pre>
Result	Prints the offsets for each axis, if the robot is a A465
See Also	homezc homes the axis specified
Category	Calibration Home

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## iabs

Description	Calculates the absolute value of an int.
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Syntax	<code>func int iabs( int x )</code>
Argument	<i>x</i> the number: an int
Returns	The absolute value of the integer <i>x</i> . Note that one integer (-2147483648) does not have a positive counterpart because of the limitations of 32-bit 2's complement binary numbers.
Example	<pre>int x = -99 int y y = abs( x )</pre>
Result	99
RAPL-II	ABS
See Also	<code>fabs</code> calculates the absolute value of a float
Category	Math

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## input

Description	Queries the specified input channel for its state. Returns the state.  This subprogram is a function, not a command as it was in the earliest versions of RAPL-3.
Syntax	<code>func int input( int channel )</code>
Parameters	<i>channel</i> the input channel: an int
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ the state, an int, one of: 0 = off 1 = on Failure $< 0$ Returns error code
Example 1	<code>state = input(4)</code>
Example 2	<pre>if (input(8)) then     ;; check sensor for presence of material     load_part()        ;; material present else     continue            ;; material not present end if</pre>
Application Shell	Similar to input.
RAPL-II	Similar to INPUT, but INPUT packed the state into a variable, and could be used for digital and string input.
See Also	<code>inputs</code> queries the entire bank of input channels for their states <code>output</code> sets an output channel to a state <code>output_pulse</code> sets and reverses an output <code>output_get</code> gets the current state of an output channel <code>outputs</code> sets the entire bank of outputs
Category	Digital Input and Output

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## inputs

Description	Queries the entire bank of input channels for their states. Returns an integer that represents the bitmapped states of the inputs.
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For the C500 controller, each of the first 16 bits represents an input. The least significant bit is input 1, the sixteenth significant bit is input 16. The integer in hex

Syntax	<code>func int inputs()</code>				
Parameters	none				
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math>  the input states: an int representing a bitmask where the lower 16 bits each correspond to one of the inputs:</p> <table> <tr> <td>0</td><td>off</td></tr> <tr> <td>1</td><td>on</td></tr> </table> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math> Returns error code</p>	0	off	1	on
0	off				
1	on				
Example	<pre>int dig_inputs dig_inputs = inputs()           ;; read all inputs dig_inputs = dig_inputs &amp; 0xf   ;; enable lower 4 bits only case dig_inputs   of 1:                          ;; first input is high     task_1()   of 2:                          ;; second input is high     task_2()   of 4:                          ;; third input is high     task_3()   of 8:                          ;; fourth input is high     task_4() end case</pre>				
Application Shell	No equivalent.				
RAPL-II	No equivalent.				
See Also	<p><code>input</code> queries an input channel for its state  <code>outputs</code> sets the entire bank of output channels to states  <code>outputs_get</code> queries the entire bank of output channels for their states</p>				
Category	Digital Input and Output				

## ioctl

Description	<p>I/O control operation. Used to configure and control a device.</p> <p>If a get parameter is used, the data is stored. If a put parameter is used, the data is written.</p> <p>To change a serial port configuration, read the current status into one of the data structures, change the data for specific members of the struct, and write the new data for the port.</p>																						
Syntax	<code>command ioctl( int fd, ioctl_op op, void@ data )</code>																						
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int res_02
int OutxCtsFlow      1 => enable CTS output flow control
int OutxDsrFlow      1 => enable DSR output flow control
int DtrControl        1 => enable DTR flow control
int DsrSensitivity    1 => enable DSR sensitivity
int TXContinueOnXoff  1 => continue trans after sending XOFF
int OutX              1 => enable output Xoff flow control
int InX               1 => enable input Xoff flow control
int res_10
int res_11
int RtsControl        1 => enable RTS flow control
int res_13
int res_14
int res_15
int lowtrig           soft flow low  trigger (xon point)
int hightrig          soft flow high trigger (xoff point)
int wordlen           word length (7 or 8 bits)
int parity            0 => none, 1 => odd, 2 => even
int stopbits          1 => 1 bit, 2 => 2 bits, 15 => 1.5 bits
int xonchar           soft flow xon char
int xoffchar          soft flow xoff char
int res_23
int res_24
int res_25
int fifotrig          0 => 1 byte, 1 => 4; 2 => 8; 3 => 14 bytes
int lfchar            (unimpl) lf char for auto cr
int crchar            (unimpl) cr char to emit for auto cr
int autocr            (unimpl) enable auto cr
int res_30

```

## Returns

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>= 0      Success
-EINVAL   one of the arguments is invalid
-EBADF    fd does not correspond to an open object
-ENODEV   the object open on fd is not a device
-ENOTTY   the device does not support ioctl()
-EIO      an I/O error has occurred

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## System Shell

Same as `siocfg`

## RAPL-II

CONFIG, SERIAL

## Category

Device Input and Output

**jog\_t**

## Aliases

**tx, ty, tz, yaw, pitch, roll**

alias	same as
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<code>tx(...)</code>	<code>jog_t(TOOL_X, ...)</code>
<code>ty(...)</code>	<code>jog_t(TOOL_Y, ...)</code>
<code>tz(...)</code>	<code>jog_t(TOOL_Z, ...)</code>
<code>yaw(...)</code>	<code>jog_t(TOOL_YAW, ...)</code>
<code>pitch(...)</code>	<code>jog_t(TOOL_PITCH, ...)</code>
<code>roll(...)</code>	<code>jog_t(TOOL_ROLL, ...)</code>

## Description

In the tool frame of reference, moves the tool centre point in a cartesian-axis direction. TOOL\_X, TOOL\_Y, and TOOL\_Z move the tool centre point along the X, Y, and Z axis by the specified distance in current units (millimetres or inches). TOOL\_YAW, TOOL\_PITCH, and TOOL\_ROLL rotate around an axis by the specified rotation in degrees.

Yaw, pitch, and roll are tool motion based, not tool axis based. The command gives the same motion, although the robots have different coordinate systems.

motion	axes		
	common name	F3 coordinate system	A465/A255 coordinate system
yaw	normal	X	Z
pitch	orientation	Y	Y
roll	approach/depart	Z	X

This command, `jog_t()`, is joint-interpolated.

For motion along an axis (TOOL\_X, TOOL\_Y, TOOL\_Z), the end-point is along the tool axis, but the tool centre point travels as a result of various joint motions, not in a straight line.

Similarly for rotation around an axis (TOOL\_YAW, TOOL\_PITCH, TOOL\_ROLL), the end-point is determined and the tool travels to it as a result of various joint motions. The start point and end point for the tool centre point are the same (no change in distance along the axis or angle between the axis and the tool), but the start position and end position of the tool are different by the amount of rotation.

For cartesian-interpolated (straight line) motion, see `jog_ts()`.

## Syntax

```
command jog_t( tool_axis_t axis, float distance )
```

## Parameters

**axis** the axis for motion

TOOL_X	along the X axis
TOOL_Y	along the Y axis
TOOL_Z	along the Z axis
TOOL_YAW	around the normal axis
TOOL_PITCH	around the orientation axis
TOOL_ROLL	around the approach/depart axis

**distance** the distance of travel, in current units or degrees: a float

## Returns

Success = 0  
Failure < 0

## Example

```
jog_t(TOOL_Z,200)      ;; millimetres
jog_t(TOOL_Y,-200)
```

## Example

```
move(centre)
jog_t(TOOL_PITCH,45)   ;; rotate around Y
jog_t(TOOL_PITCH,-90)
```

## RAPL-II

No equivalents. DEPART moved along the approach/depart axis.



See Also	jog_ts jog_w joint motor	jogs like jog_t, but straight line motion jogs like jog_t, but in world frame of reference moves by joint degrees moves by encoder pulses
Category	Motion	

## jog\_ts

Aliases **txs, tys, tzs, yaws, pitches, rolls**

alias	same as
txs(...)	jog_ts( TOOL_X, ... )
tys(...)	jog_ts( TOOL_Y, ... )
tzs(...)	jog_ts( TOOL_Z, ... )
yaws(...)	jog_ts( TOOL_YAW, ... )
pitches(...)	jog_ts( TOOL_PITCH, ... )
rolls(...)	jog_ts( TOOL_ROLL, ... )

Description

In the tool frame of reference, moves the tool centre point in a cartesian-axis direction. TOOL\_X, TOOL\_Y, and TOOL\_Z move the tool centre point along the X, Y, and Z axis by the specified distance in current units (millimetres or inches). TOOL\_YAW, TOOL\_PITCH, and TOOL\_ROLL rotate around an axis by the specified rotation in degrees.

Yaw, pitch, and roll are tool motion based, not tool axis based. The command gives the same motion, although the robots have different coordinate systems.

motion	axes		
	common name	F3 coordinate system	A465/A255 coordinate system
yaw	normal	X	Z
pitch	orientation	Y	Y
roll	approach/depart	Z	X

This command, jog\_ts(), is cartesian-interpolated (straight line).

For motion along an axis (TOOL\_X, TOOL\_Y, TOOL\_Z), the tool centre point travels in a straight line along the axis to the end point.

For rotation around an axis (TOOL\_YAW, TOOL\_PITCH, TOOL\_ROLL), the tool centre point stays on the axis, while the tool rotates around the axis. The tool centre point stays in the same place.

For joint-interpolated (not straight) motion, see jog\_t()

Syntax

```
command jog_ts( tool_axis_t axis, float distance )
```

Parameters

<i>axis</i>	the axis for motion
TOOL_X	along the X axis
TOOL_Y	along the Y axis
TOOL_Z	along the Z axis
TOOL_YAW	around the normal axis
TOOL_PITCH	around the orientation axis

	<b>TOOL_ROLL</b>	around the approach/depart axis
	<i>distance</i>	the distance of travel, in current units or degrees: a float
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0	
Example	<pre>jog_ts(TOOL_Z,200)      ;; millimetres jog_ts(TOOL_Y,-200)</pre>	
Example	<pre>move(centre) jog_ts(TOOL_PITCH,45)   ;; rotate around Y jog_ts(TOOL_PITCH,-90)</pre>	
RAPL-II	No equivalents. DEPART moved along the approach/depart axis.	
See Also	<pre>jog_t      jogs like jog_ts, but joint interpolated jog_ws     jogs like jog_ts, but in world frame of reference joint      moves by joint degrees motor      moves by encoder pulses</pre>	
Category	Motion	

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## jog\_w

Aliases **wx, wy, wz, zrot, yrot, xrot**

alias	same as
wx(...)	jog_w(WORLD_X, ...)
wy(...)	jog_w(WORLD_Y, ...)
wz(...)	jog_w(WORLD_Z, ...)
zrot(...)	jog_w(WORLD_ZROT, ...)
yrot(...)	jog_w(WORLD_YROT, ...)
xrot(...)	jog_w(WORLD_XROT, ...)

Description In the world frame of reference, moves the tool centre point in a cartesian-axis direction. WORLD\_X, WORLD\_Y, and WORLD\_Z move the tool centre point along the X, Y, and Z axis by the specified distance in current units (millimetres or inches). WORLD\_ZROT, WORLD\_YROT, and WORLD\_XROT rotate around the Z, Y, and X axis by the specified rotation in degrees.

This command, jog\_w(), is joint-interpolated.

For motion along an axis (WORLD\_X, WORLD\_Y, WORLD\_Z), the end-point is along the world axis, but the tool centre point travels as a result of various joint motions, not in a straight line.

Similarly for rotation around an axis (WORLD\_ZROT, WORLD\_YROT, WORLD\_XROT), the end-point is determined and the tool travels to it as a result of various joint motions. The start point and end point for the tool centre point are the same (no change in distance along the axis or angle between the axis and the tool), but the start position and end position of the tool are different.

For cartesian-interpolated (straight line) motion, see jog\_ws().

Syntax `command jog_w( world_axis_t axis, float distance )`

Parameters

<i>axis</i>	the axis for motion
WORLD_X	along the X axis
WORLD_Y	along the Y axis
WORLD_Z	along the Z axis
WORLD_ZROT	around the Z axis
WORLD_YROT	around the Y axis

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	<p>WORLD_XROT            around the X axis</p> <p><i>distance</i>            the distance of travel, in current units or degrees: a float</p>
Returns	<p>Success = 0</p> <p>Failure &lt; 0</p>
Example	<pre>move(base_point) jog_w(WORLD_X,200)        ;; millimetres</pre>
Example	<pre>appro(centre) pitch(45)                ;; pitch around tool point jog_w(WORLD_XROT,45)    ;; rotate around X</pre>
RAPL-II	<p>Similar to JOG, X, Y, Z, without straight line parameter.</p> <p>Also similar to YAW, PITCH, and ROLL. In RAPL-II these names were used for rotations in the world frame of reference. In RAPL-3, world rotations are called zrot, yrot, and xrot, and tool rotations are called yaw, pitch, and roll.</p>
See Also	<p>jog_ws                jogs like jog_w, but straight line motion</p> <p>jog_t                jogs like jog_w, but in tool frame of reference</p> <p>joint                moves by joint degrees</p> <p>motor                moves by encoder pulses</p>
Category	Motion

## jog\_ws

Aliases **wxs, wys, wzs, zrots, yrots, xrots**

alias	same as
wxs(...)	jog_ws(WORLD_X, ...)
wys(...)	jog_ws(WORLD_Y, ...)
wzs(...)	jog_ws(WORLD_Z, ...)
zrots(...)	jog_ws(WORLD_ZROT, ...)
yrots(...)	jog_ws(WORLD_YROT, ...)
xrots(...)	jog_ws(WORLD_XROT, ...)

Description	<p>In the world frame of reference, moves the tool centre point in a cartesian-axis direction. WORLD_X, WORLD_Y, and WORLD_Z move the tool centre point along the X, Y, and Z axis by the specified distance in current units (millimetres or inches). WORLD_ZROT, WORLD_YROT, and WORLD_XROT rotate around the Z, Y, and X axis by the specified rotation in degrees.</p> <p>This command, jog_ws(), is cartesian-interpolated (straight line).</p> <p>For motion along an axis (WORLD_X, WORLD_Y, WORLD_Z), the tool centre point travels in a straight line along the axis to the end point.</p> <p>For rotation around an axis (WORLD_ZROT, WORLD_YROT, WORLD_XROT), the tool centre point stays on the axis, while the tool rotates around the axis. The tool centre point stays in the same place.</p> <p>For joint-interpolated (not straight) motion, see jog_w()</p>
Syntax	<pre>command jog_ws( world_axis_t axis, float distance )</pre>
Parameters	<p><i>axis</i>                the axis for motion</p> <p>WORLD_X            along the X axis</p> <p>WORLD_Y            along the Y axis</p> <p>WORLD_Z            along the Z axis</p> <p>WORLD_ZROT        around the Z axis</p>

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	WORLD_YROT	around the Y axis
	WORLD_XROT	around the X axis
	<i>distance</i>	the distance of travel, in current units or degrees: a float
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0	
Example	<pre>move(base_point) jog_ws(WORLD_X,200)      ;; millimetres</pre>	
Example	<pre>appros(centre) pitch(45)                ;; pitch around tool point jog_ws(WORLD_XROT,45)    ;; rotate around X</pre>	
RAPL-II	<p>Similar to JOG, X, Y, and Z, with straight line parameter.</p> <p>Also similar to YAW, PITCH, and ROLL. In RAPL-II these names were used for rotations in the world frame of reference. In RAPL-3, world rotations are called zrot, yrot, and xrot, and tool rotations are called yaw, pitch, and roll.</p>	
See Also	<pre>jog_w      jogs like jog_ws, but joint interpolated jog_ts     jogs like jog_ws, but in tool frame of reference joint      moves by joint degrees motor      moves by encoder pulses</pre>	
Category	Motion	

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## joint

Description	Rotates a rotational joint (e.g. of an articulated arm) by a specified number of degrees, or moves a linear joint (e.g. of a track or gantry) by a defined number of units (millimetres or inches depending on metric or English mode).	
Syntax	command joint( int <i>axis</i> , float <i>distance</i> )	
Parameters	<i>axis</i>	the axis being moved: an int
	<i>distance</i>	the distance of travel, in current units: a float
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0	
Example	<pre>joint(7,20)      ;; moves the track (for F3 or A465) 20 units joint(1,45)      ;; moves the waist joint +45 degrees</pre>	
RAPL-II	Similar to JOINT	
See Also	<pre>jog      moves by cartesian increment motor    moves by encoder pulses</pre>	
Category	Motion	

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## joint\_to\_motor

Description	Converts a location from joint angles to motor pulses. Used if a location of one type needs to be converted to another type for checking or other use within the program.	
Syntax	command joint_to_motor( var float[8] <i>joint</i> , var ploc <i>motor</i> )	
Parameters	<i>joint</i>	the location in joint angles, in degrees
	<i>motor</i>	the location in motor pulses: a ploc

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Returns	Success $\geq 0$ <i>motor</i> is packed Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>float[8] joints1 = {10, -15, 5, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0} ploc motor1 ... joint_to_motor(joints1, motor1)</pre>
Result	<i>motor1</i> is packed with the appropriate pulse data
RAPL-II	Similar to SET with different location types.
See Also	<i>motor_to_joint</i> converts motor pulses to joint angles <i>joint_to_world</i> converts joint angles to world coordinates
Category	Location: Kinematic Conversion

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## joint\_to\_world

Description	Converts a location from joint angles to world coordinates. Used if a location of one type needs to be converted to another type for checking or other use within the program.
Syntax	command <i>joint_to_world</i> (var float[8] <i>joint</i> , var cloc <i>world</i> )
Parameters	<i>joint</i> the location in joint angles <i>world</i> the location in world coordinates: a cloc
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ <i>world</i> is packed Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>float[8] joints1 = {10, -15, 5, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0} cloc world1 ... joint_to_world(joints1, world1)</pre>
Result	<i>world1</i> is packed with the appropriate world coordinate data
RAPL-II	Similar to SET with different location types.
See Also	<i>world_to_joint</i> converts world coordinates to joint angles <i>joint_to_motor</i> converts joint angles to motor pulses
Category	Location: Kinematic Conversion

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## jointlim\_get

Description	Gets the positive and negative limits of travel for a specified axis..
Syntax	command <i>jointlim_get</i> ( int <i>axis</i> , var float <i>poslim</i> , var float <i>neglim</i> )
Parameter	<i>axis</i> an int specifying the axis <i>poslim</i> the positive limit: an array of up to 8 floats <i>neglim</i> the negative limit: an array of up to 8 floats
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int axes, total, trnsfrm float[8] pluslim, neglim</pre>

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```

int count, t
...
t= axes_get(axes,trnsfrm, total)
  if t>0
    for count = 1 to axes
      jointlim_get(count, pluslim[count-1], neglim[count-1])
    printf("axis {2} limits are: +{5} - {5}/n",count,\
      pluslim[count-1], neglim[count-1])
    end for
  else
    ... use for error handling
  end if

```

Result Prints the robot joint limits

See Also `jointlim_set`

Category Robot Configuration

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## jointlim\_set

Description Sets the positive and negative limits of travel for one axis.

Syntax `command jointlim_set( int axis, float poslim, float neglim )`

Parameter

<i>axis</i>	the axis to set: an int
<i>poslim</i>	the positive limit: a float
<i>neglim</i>	the negative limit: a float

Returns

Success  $\geq 0$   
Failure  $< 0$

Example

```

int count
int axes, total, trnsfrm
teachable float[8] pluslim, neglim

axes_get(axes,trnsfrm, total)
  for count = 1 to axes
    jointlim_set(count, pluslim[count-1], neglim[count-1])
  end for

```

RAPL-II Similar to @XLIMITS, except @XLIMITS took the limit in radians.

See Also `jointlim_get`

Category Robot Configuration

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## limp

Description Disengages the servo control of a motor which limps that joint. A single axis or several axes can be specified. All axes are specified by an empty parameter.

Syntax `command limp([ int axis ] [, int axis ] ...)`

Parameters (Optional)

(empty)	all axes limped
<i>axis</i>	axis being limped: an int

Returns

Success  $\geq 0$   
Failure  $< 0$

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Example	<pre>limp()           ;; limps all axes limp(3)          ;; limps axis 3 limp( 4, 5, 6)   ;; limps axis 4, 5, and 6</pre>
RAPL-II	Similar to LIMP.
See Also	<code>nolimp</code> <code>unlimps axes</code>
Category	Motion

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## linacc\_get

Description	Returns the current value of the robot's linear acceleration in metric or English units.
Syntax	<code>command linacc_get(var float linacc)</code>
Parameter	<code>linacc</code> is packed with the current acceleration setting
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$ Returns -ve error descriptor if command fails.
Example	<pre>float acc printf("The linear acceleration is {}\"", linacc_get(acc))</pre>
Result	The linear acceleration is 1016.
See Also	<code>linacc_set</code> sets the linear speed <code>units_set</code> sets the current units metric or English <code>linspd_get</code> returns the maximum linear speed <code>linspd_set</code> sets the linear speed depending on the configuration
Category	Robot Configuration

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## linacc\_set

Description	Sets the current value of the robot's linear acceleration in metric or English units to the value specified by the parameter <code>linacc</code> .
Syntax	<code>command linacc_set(var float linacc)</code>
Parameter	<code>linacc</code> specifies the requested setting for the robot acceleration.
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$ Returns -ve error descriptor if command fails.
Example	<pre>;; Decrease the acceleration by 50 percent ;; Current acceleration is 1016 mm/sec<sup>2</sup> float old_acc, new_acc linacc_get(old_acc) printf("The acceleration was {}/n", old_acc) new_acc = old_acc*0.5 linacc_set(new_acc) printf("The acceleration is now {}/n",new_acc)</pre>
Result	The acceleration was 1016. The acceleration is now 508.
See Also	<code>linacc_get</code> sets the linear speed <code>units_set</code> sets the current units metric or English <code>linspd_get</code> returns the maximum linear speed <code>linspd_set</code> sets the linear speed depending on the configuration
Category	Robot Configuration

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## link

Description	Makes a hard link to an existing file or directory. Useful for renaming files, moving files, or sharing data.
Syntax	<code>command link( var string[] name1, var string[] name2 )</code>
Parameters	<p><i>name1</i>            the name of the object to create a new link to</p> <p><i>name2</i>            the name of the new link</p>
Returns	<p><code>&gt;= 0</code>            Success</p> <p><code>-EINVAL</code>        one of the file names was invalid</p> <p><code>-ENOTDIR</code>       a component of one of the names was not a directory</p> <p><code>-ENOENT</code>        the original object was not found</p> <p><code>-EIO</code>            an I/O error occurred</p> <p><code>-EAGAIN</code>        the system is temporarily out of the resources required to carry out this operation</p> <p><code>-EISDIR</code>        can't create a hard link to a directory</p> <p><code>-EEXIST</code>        <i>name2</i> already exists</p> <p><code>-EXDEV</code>        tried to link across filesystems</p>
Category	File and Device System Management

## linklen\_get

Description	Gets the link length for all axes.
Syntax	<code>command linklen_get( var float[8] length )</code>
Parameter	<i>length</i> an array of floats
Returns	<p>Success <code>&gt;= 0</code></p> <p>Failure <code>&lt; 0</code></p>
Example	<pre>int machine, transform, actual, I float[8] links  axes_get(machine, transform, actual) linklen_get(links)   for i = 1 to machine     printf("axis {1} link length is {}\n", i,links[i])   end for</pre>
Result	<p>For a 255 robot:</p> <pre>axis 1 link length is 10.0000 axis 2 link length is 10.0000 axis 3 link length is 2.0000 axis 4 link length is 0.0000 axis 5 link length is 0.0000</pre>
See Also	<code>linklen_set</code> sets the link length for an axis
Category	Robot Configuration



## linklen\_set

Description	Sets the link length for an axis.
Syntax	command linklen_set( int <i>axis</i> , float <i>length</i> )
Parameter	<i>axis</i> an int <i>length</i> a float
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
See Also	linklen_get          gets the link lengths of all axes
Category	Robot Configuration

## linspd\_get

Description	Returns the maximum linear speed for the robot in units of millimetres per second or inches per second depending on the unit configuration.  Cannot be used in the speed() command which takes an integer parameter of percentage of maximum speed, for example speed(<int>linspd_get(t))
Syntax	command linspd_get(var float linspd)
Parameter	linspd is packed with the maximum speed value.
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0          Returns negative error code if command fails.
Example	<pre>float max_lin_spd int curr_percent_spd linspd_get(max_lin_spd) speed_get(curr_percent_spd) printf("The maximum linear speed is {}/\n", max_lin_spd) printf("The current speed setting is {}/\n", curr_percent_spd)</pre>
Result	The maximum linear speed is The current speed setting is
See Also	linspd_set          sets the linear speed units_set          sets the units metric or English
Category	Robot Configuration

## linspd\_set

Description	Sets the linear speed for the robot in units of millimetres per second or inches per second depending on the configuration.
Syntax	command linspd_set(var float <i>linspd</i> )
Parameter	<i>linspd</i> specifies the new speed setting
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0          Returns -EINVAL if (linspd < 0) or other error if the command fails.
Example	<pre>;; Set the linear speed to the maximum speed float spd linspd_get(spd)</pre>

```
linspd_set(spd)
printf("The speed is {}\n", spd)
```

Result Sets the linear robot speed to the maximum speed value.

See Also

<code>speed_get</code>	gets the current speed setting
<code>speed_set</code>	sets the speed of arm motions
<code>linspd_set</code>	sets the linear speed
<code>units_set</code>	sets the current units metric or English

Category Robot Configuration

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## ln

Description Calculates the natural logarithm of a float. Takes a positive argument.

Syntax `func float ln( float x )`

Returns The natural logarithm of the argument.

Example

```
float x = 7.5
float y
y = ln( x )
```

Result 2.014903

RAPL-II LN

See Also

<code>log</code>	calculates the common (base 10) logarithm
<code>pow</code>	calculates a value raised to a power

Category Math

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## loc\_cdata\_get

Description Packs the cloc *cl* into the float array *fa*. The float[8] array corresponds to the cartesian coordinates x, y, z, yaw, pitch, roll, extra axis 1, extra axis 2; or x, y, z, pitch, roll, extra axis 1, extra axis 2, extra axis 3.

Syntax `sub loc_cdata_get( var cloc cl, var float[8] fa )`

Parameters

<i>cl</i>	cartesian coordinate location variable
<i>fa</i>	an array of floats - packed with the location values of cl

Example

```
...
teachable cloc cl
float[8] fa
loc_cdata_get(cl, fa)
...
```

See Also

```
loc_cdata-set
loc_pdata_get
loc_pdata_set
```

Category Location: Data Manipulation

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## loc\_cdata\_set

Description Packs the cartesian data in *fa* into the cloc *cl*. The float[8] array corresponds to the cartesian coordinates x, y, z, yaw, pitch, roll, extra axis 1, extra axis 2; or x, y, z, pitch, roll, extra axis 1, extra axis 2, extra axis 3.

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Syntax	<code>sub loc_cdata_set( var cloc <i>cl</i>, var float[8] <i>fa</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>cl</i> cartesian coordinate location variable packed with the data in <i>fa</i> <i>fa</i> an array of floats specifying the data for the cloc
Example	<pre>... cloc cl float[8] fa = {2,3,4,0,0,0,0,0}   loc_cdata_set(cl, fa) ...</pre>
RAPL-II	POINT
See Also	loc_cdata_get loc_pdata_get loc_pdata_set
Category	Location: Data Manipulation

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## loc\_check

Description	Tests the checksum of the generic location <i>gl</i> . If the checksum is OK, returns 1.
Syntax	<code>func int loc_check( var gloc <i>gl</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>gl</i> generic location to be checked
Returns	<div>True (1) Success; the checksum is correct.</div> <div>False (0) Failure; the checksum is wrong.</div>
Example	<pre>gloc gl ... if loc_check( gl ) == 1     ;; everything OK else     ;; everything NOT OK end if</pre>
See Also	loc_re_check
Category	Location: Data Manipulation

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## loc\_class\_get

Description	Returns the location class of a generic location variable <i>gl</i> . The different classes are loc_unknown, loc_cartesian, and loc_precision.
Syntax	<code>func loc_class loc_class_get( var gloc <i>gl</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>gl</i> gloc generic location variable
Returns	loc_class, one of: loc_unknown loc_cartesian loc_precision
Example	<pre>gloc gl ... case loc_class_get( gl ) of loc_unknown:     ;; Location Type Unknown of loc_cartesian:     ;; Cartesian location (cloc) of loc_precision:</pre>

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```

        ;; Precision location (ploc)
else
        ;; Error
end case

```

Category Location: Data Manipulation

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## loc\_class\_set

Description Sets the class of a generic location variable *gl* to location class *lc*. The different classes are `loc_unknown`, `loc_cartesian`, and `loc_precision`.

Syntax `sub loc_class_set( var gloc gl, loc_class lc )`

Parameter *gl* gloc generic location variable  
*lc* loc\_class type: must be  
     `loc_unknown`  
     `loc_cartesian`  
     `loc_precision`

Example

```

gloc gl1, gl2
loc_class lc
...
lc = loc_class_get( gl1 )
loc_class_set( gl2, lc )

```

Category Location Data: Manipulation

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## loc\_flags\_get

Description Returns the flags that are set for the generic location variable *gl*. Warning: the flags are used to mark if the location has been taught and what units it is in. It is potentially dangerous to tamper with the flags of a location.

Syntax `func int loc_flags_get( var gloc gl )`

Parameter *gl* location variable (cloc or ploc)

Returns an integer with the bits set according to the following:

```

global const LOC_INVALID =      0x00
global const LOC_VALID =       0x01
global const LOC_CALIBRATE =    0x02
global const LOC_MARKER =      0x04
global const LOC_NULL =        0x08
global const LOC_METRIC =      0x10
global const LOC_TOOL =        0x20
global const LOC_BASE =        0x40
global const LOC_OFFSET=      0x80

```

. Example

```

int flags
gloc gl
...
flags = loc_flags_get( gl )
loc_flags_set( flags + 1 )

```

See Also `loc_flag_set`

Category Location: Flags

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## loc\_flags\_set

Description	Sets the flags on the generic location variable <i>gl</i> to <i>f</i> . Does not re-calculate the checksum.																		
Syntax	<code>sub loc_flags_set( var gloc <i>gl</i>, int <i>f</i> )</code>																		
Parameter	<p><i>gl</i>            the location: a cloc or ploc</p> <p><i>f</i>            an integer the flag constructed with the bits set according to the following defined constants</p> <table> <tr><td>global const LOC_INVALID =</td><td>0x00</td></tr> <tr><td>global const LOC_VALID =</td><td>0x01</td></tr> <tr><td>global const LOC_CALIBRATE =</td><td>0x02</td></tr> <tr><td>global const LOC_MARKER =</td><td>0x04</td></tr> <tr><td>global const LOC_NULL =</td><td>0x08</td></tr> <tr><td>global const LOC_METRIC =</td><td>0x10</td></tr> <tr><td>global const LOC_TOOL =</td><td>0x20</td></tr> <tr><td>global const LOC_BASE =</td><td>0x40</td></tr> <tr><td>global const LOC_OFFSET=</td><td>0x80</td></tr> </table>	global const LOC_INVALID =	0x00	global const LOC_VALID =	0x01	global const LOC_CALIBRATE =	0x02	global const LOC_MARKER =	0x04	global const LOC_NULL =	0x08	global const LOC_METRIC =	0x10	global const LOC_TOOL =	0x20	global const LOC_BASE =	0x40	global const LOC_OFFSET=	0x80
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global const LOC_METRIC =	0x10																		
global const LOC_TOOL =	0x20																		
global const LOC_BASE =	0x40																		
global const LOC_OFFSET=	0x80																		
Example	<pre>int flags gloc gl ... flags = loc_flags_get( gl ) loc_flags_set(gl, flags + 1 )</pre>																		
See Also	loc_flags_get																		
Category	Location: Flags																		

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## loc\_machtype\_get

Description	Returns the machine type code of a generic location <i>gl</i> .						
Syntax	<code>func machine_type loc_machtype_get( var gloc <i>gl</i> )</code>						
Parameter	<i>gl</i> generic location variable						
Returns	<p>Success &gt;= 0      Returns a machine_type enumerated type                           machine_type, one of:</p> <table> <tr><td>mc_a255</td><td>A255</td></tr> <tr><td>mc_a465</td><td>A465</td></tr> <tr><td>mc_f2</td><td>F2</td></tr> </table> <p>Failure &lt; 0</p>	mc_a255	A255	mc_a465	A465	mc_f2	F2
mc_a255	A255						
mc_a465	A465						
mc_f2	F2						
Example	<pre>gloc gl int mach_type ... mach_type = loc_machtype_get( gl )</pre>						
See Also	loc_machtype_set						
Category	Location: Flags						

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## loc\_machtype\_set

Description	Sets the machine type code of generic location variable <i>gl</i> to machine type <i>mt</i> . Does not re-calculate the checksum.
Syntax	<code>sub loc_machtype_set( var gloc <i>gl</i>, machine_type <i>mt</i> )</code>

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Parameter	<i>gl</i>	generic location variable*
	<i>mt</i>	machine_type, enumerated type one of:
		mc_a255      A255
		mc_a465      A465
		mc_f2        F2      * see enum
Example	<pre>gloc gl1, gl2 int mt ... mt = loc_machtype_get( gl1 ) loc_machtype_set( gl2, mt )</pre>	
See Also	loc_machtype_get	
Category	Location: Flags	

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## loc\_pdata\_get

Description	Packs a gloc into an integer array. The int[8] array corresponds to the motor pulse values for the 8 motors, in order.	
Syntax	sub loc_pdata_get( var ploc <i>pl</i> , var int[8] <i>ia</i> )	
Parameter	<i>pl</i>	ploc (precision location variable)
	<i>ia</i>	integer array packed with the motor pulse counts
Example	<pre>... teachable ploc pl int[8] ia loc_data_get(pl, ia) ...</pre>	
See Also	loc_pdata_set loc_cdata_get loc_cdata_set	
Category	Location: Data Manipulation	

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## loc\_pdata\_set

Description	Packs the precision data in <i>ia</i> into the (should this be a ploc) gloc <i>pl</i> . The int[8] array corresponds to the motor pulse values for the 8 motors, in order.	
Syntax	sub loc_pdata_set( var gloc <i>pl</i> , var int[8] <i>ia</i> )	
Parameter	<i>pl</i>	gloc (should this be a ploc) to be packed with the motor pulse counts in <i>ia</i>
	<i>ia</i>	integer array packed with the motor pulse counts
Example	<pre>... gloc gl int[8] ia = { loc_data_get(gl, ia) ...</pre>	
RAPL-II	POINT	
See Also	loc_pdata_get loc_cdata_get loc_cdata_set	
Category	Location: Data Manipulation	

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## loc\_re\_check

Description	Recalculates and re-sets the checksum of a generic location <i>gl</i> .
Syntax	<code>sub loc_re_check( var gloc <i>gl</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>gl</i> the location to be checked
Example	<code>gloc gl ... loc_re_check( gl )</code>
See Also	<code>loc_check</code>
Category	Location: Data Manipulation

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## lock

Description	Locks a specified axis. Not to be confused with <code>flock()</code> which locks a file.
Syntax	<code>command lock( int <i>axis</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>axis</i> the axis to be locked: an int
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<code>int axis ... lock(axis)</code>
RAPL-II	Same as LOCK
Category	Motion

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## log

Description	Calculates the common (base 10) logarithm of a float. Takes a positive argument.
Syntax	<code>func float log( float <i>x</i> )</code>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ . The common logarithm of the argument. Failure $< 0$
Example	<code>float x = 7.5 float y y = log( x )</code>
Result	0.875061
RAPL-II	LOG
See Also	<code>ln</code> calculates the natural logarithm <code>pow</code> calculates a value raised to a power
Category	Math

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## MAJOR

Description	Extracts the major number from device <i>dev</i> .
Syntax	<code>func int MAJOR( int <i>dev</i> )</code>
Parameters	<i>dev</i> specifies the device - an int
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int dev, major = 23, minor = 1 ... dev = BUILD_DEV( major, minor ) major = MAJOR( dev ) minor = MINOR( dev )</pre>
See Also	MINOR extracts the minor number from a device
Category	File and Device System Management

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## malarm

Description	Requests that the system send the current process a specified signal after a specified delay. This can be used to implement timeouts and periodic events in a fairly simple fashion.
Syntax	<code>command malarm(int <i>delay</i>, int <i>sig</i>)</code>
Parameters	<p>There are two required parameters:</p> <p><i>delay</i> How long to wait, in milliseconds, before sending signal <i>sig</i> to the current process. If <math>\text{delay} == 0</math>, then we are canceling a signal request. Note that each time we call <code>malarm()</code> for a given <i>sig</i>, we reset the time remaining to <i>delay</i>.</p> <p><i>sig</i> The signal to send after <i>delay</i> milliseconds has passed.</p>
Returns	<p><math>\geq 0</math> Success; returns the number of milliseconds that were left until <i>sig</i> would have been sent. Returns 0 if no previous signal was requested.</p> <p><math>&lt; 0</math> Failure.</p>
Example1	<pre>;; This demonstrates an interrupt that will occur at about ;; once per second: sub alarm_handler(int n)     malarm(1000, SIG20)      ;; send a SIG20 after 1 second     printf("Beep\n") end sub  main     signal(SIG20, alarm_handler, NULL)  ;; set the signal handler     malarm(1000, SIG20)                ;; start the periodic event going     loop         printf("Hello!\n")             ;; loop forever, saying Hello         delay(500)     end loop end main</pre>

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Result1	<p>The output will look something like this:</p> <pre> Hello! Hello! Beep Hello! Hello! Beep ... </pre>
Example2	<pre> ;; This demonstrates using a signal with malarm() to implement ;; a read with a timeout: ;; sub alarm_handler(int n)     ;; doesn't actually need to do anything but catch the signal end sub  main     int fd, t     string[32] s     ...     open(fd, "/dev/sio1", O_RDWR, 0)        ;; open sio1     ...     ;; read with timeout:     malarm(SIGALRM, 1000)                    ;; 1 second timeout     t = reads(fd, s, 32)                      ;; read!     malarm(SIGALRM, 0)                        ;; cancel the signal     ;; NOW if t is -EINTR, we timed out with no data read     ;;     if t &gt; 0, we read that many characters     ... end main </pre>
See Also	signal(), kill(), sigsend()
Category	Signals

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## maxvel\_get

Description	For one axis, gets maxvel, the maximum angular velocity of the motor, in revolutions per minute. The maxvel is set to ensure proper output by the encoder.
Syntax	func float maxvel_get ( int axis)
Parameter	<i>axis</i> the axis being inquired: an int
Returns	Success: >= 0      Returns the maximum motor velocity in RPM Failure: < 0
Example	<pre> int ax3vel[8] ax3vel[3] = getmaxvel(3) </pre>
See Also	maxvels_get                      gets the maximum velocities of all motors maxvel_set                        sets the maximum velocity of one motor maxvels_set                       sets the maximum velocities of all motors
Category	Robot Configuration

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## maxvel\_set

Description	For one axis, sets maxvel, the maximum angular velocity of the motor in revolutions per minute. The maxvel is set to ensure proper output by the
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encoder. If the velocity specified is greater than limits set in the robot kinematics the value is truncated to the set limits.

Syntax	<code>command maxvel_set(int axis, float maxvel )</code>
Parameters	<i>axis</i> the axis being set: an int <i>maxvel</i> the maximum velocity: a float
Returns	Success: $\geq 0$ Failure: $< 0$
Example	<pre>;;Example to set maximum velocity for system axis ;;It would be simpler to use maxvels_set int axis, count float[8] vel_max {180, 180, 180, 171.089, 172.800, 172.089, 2368.57, 350.002} for count = 1 to 8     maxvel_set(count ,vel_max[count-1]) end for</pre>
RAPL-II	Similar to @XMAXVEL.
See Also	<code>maxvel_get</code> gets the maximum velocity of one motor <code>maxvels_set</code> sets the maximum velocities of all motors <code>maxvels_get</code> gets the maximum velocities of all motors <code>configaxis</code> configures an axis including sets maxvel
Category	Robot Configuration

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## maxvels\_get

Description	For all axes, gets maxvels, the maximum angular velocities of the motors. Maxvels are set to ensure proper outputs by the encoders.
Syntax	<code>command maxvels_get( var float[8] maxvel )</code>
Parameter	<i>maxvel</i> the maximum velocities in rpm: an array of floats
Returns	Success: parameter is packed Failure: $< 0$
Example	<pre>float[8] vel_max ... maxvels_get(vel_max)</pre>
See Also	<code>maxvels_set</code> sets the maximum velocities of all motors <code>maxvel_get</code> gets the maximum velocity of one motor <code>maxvel_set</code> sets the maximum velocity of one motor
Category	Robot Configuration

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Description	For all axes, sets maxvels, the maximum angular velocities of the motors. Maxvels are set to ensure proper outputs by the encoders. If the velocity specified is greater than limits set in the robot kinematics the value is truncated to the set limits.
Syntax	<code>command maxvels_set( var float[8] maxvel )</code>
Parameter	<i>maxvel</i> the maximum velocities in revolutions per minute: an array of floats
Returns	Success: $\geq 0$ Failure: $< 0$

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Example	<pre>float[8] new_velocities = { 180, 180, 180, 171.089, 172.800, 171.089, 0, 0} maxvels_set(new_velocities)</pre>
Result	The maximum velocities are set to the preset limits for the A465 robot arm. The extra axes are set to a zero velocity.
RAPL-II	Similar to @XMAXVEL.
See Also	<pre>maxvels_get    gets the maximum velocities of all motors maxvel_set     sets the maximum velocity of one motor maxvel_get     gets the maximum velocity of one motor * configaxis   configures an axis including sets maxvel</pre>
Category	Robot Configuration

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## mem\_alloc

Description	<p>Allocates an area of free memory of length <i>size</i>, sets <i>ptr</i> to point to the area, and initializes the area to zeros, i.e. "clears" it. Also tries to allocate more heap space if required.</p> <p>Along with <code>mem_free()</code>, the user can allocate and de-allocate space repeatedly.</p>
Syntax	<code>command mem_alloc(var void@ <i>ptr</i>, int <i>size</i> )</code>
Parameters	<i>size</i> a number of words (4 byte units)
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math></p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p>
Example	<pre>;; Define a new structure "element" and allocate memory to create a ;; ;; define the new type ;; typedef element struct     int val     element@ previous      ;; pointer to struct of type element     element@ next          ;; pointer to struct of type element end struct  element@ tmp_ptr = NULL  ;; pointer used to create new element  ;; create new element with pointer 'tmp_ptr' mem_alloc(tmp_ptr,sizeof(tmp_ptr@)) ...</pre>
RAPL-II	ALLOC not only allocated memory but performed other tasks with its parameters.
See Also	<pre>mem_free       de-allocates an area of memory heap_space     determines largest area before failure of malloc heap_set</pre>
Category	Memory

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## mem\_free

Description	Frees memory space. Returns an area of memory, previously allocated by <code>mem_alloc()</code> , to the pool of free space. Should never be used with space that has not previously been allocated by <code>mem_alloc()</code> , although freeing space with a null pointer is acceptable.
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Syntax	<code>command mem_free( void@ ptr )</code>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>;;de-allocate memory for list of elements (structure see mem_alloc) printf ("* Deleting list elements\n\n") while (head_ptr)   tmp_ptr = head_ptr.previous   printf ("  head_ptr addr:{}\n",head_ptr)   printf ("  tmp_ptr  addr:{}\n\n",tmp_ptr)   mem_free (head_ptr)   head_ptr = tmp_ptr end while</pre>
RAPL-II	Different from the RAPL-II command FREE which displayed the status of memory.
See Also	<code>mem_alloc</code> allocates an area of memory and initializes it
Category	Memory

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## memcpy

Description	Copies a block of words of length <i>len</i> from <i>src</i> to <i>dst</i> .
Syntax	<code>command memcpy( void @dst, void @src , int len )</code>
Parameter	<i>dst</i> a pointer to the copy destination <i>src</i> a pointer to the copy source <i>len</i> the integer value of the length to be copied
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int[100] x int[8] y ... ;; get elements 20 to 27 from x into y ... memcpy(&amp;y, &amp;(x[20]), sizeof(y) )</pre>
See Also	<code>memset</code>
Category	Memory

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## memset

Description	Sets a block of words of length <i>len</i> at <i>dst</i> to contain value <i>v</i> .
Syntax	<code>command memset( void @dst, int v, int len )</code>
Parameter	<i>dst</i> pointer to the memory destination to be set <i>v</i> an int value to be set <i>len</i> the length of memory to be set to <i>v</i>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int[100] x teachable int new ...</pre>

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;; Set elements of x all to value new
memset(&x, new, sizeof(x))
```

See Also

memcpy

Category

Memory

## memstat

Description

Gets information about the current system memory status.

Syntax

```
command memstat( int@ run_0, int@ run_1 )
```

Parameters

If *run\_0* does not equal NULL, then *run\_0* is assigned the length of the longest run of unallocated blocks. If *run\_1* does not equal NULL, then *run\_1* is assigned the length of the longest run of allocated blocks.

Returns

Success  $\geq 0$  Returns the number of free clicks .  
Failure  $< 0$

Example

```
int r0, r1, num_blocks
...
num_blocks = memstat( &r0, &r1 )
```

See Also

mem\_alloc  
heap\_set  
heap\_size  
heap\_space

Category

Memory

## MINOR

Description

Extracts the minor number from device *dev*.

Syntax

```
func int MINOR( int dev )
```

Returns

Success  $\geq 0$   
Failure  $< 0$

Example

```
int dev, major = 23, minor = 1

dev = BUILD_DEV( major, minor )
major = MAJOR( dev )
minor = MINOR( dev )
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See Also

MAJOR extracts the major number from a device

Category

File and Device System Management

## mkdir

Description

Creates a new, empty directory specified by *path* with permissions defined by *mode*. The entries for dot and dot-dot are automatically created. A common mistake is to specify the same mode as for a file (read and write only), but for a directory normally one of the execute bits must be enabled to allow access to the filenames within the directory.

Syntax

```
command mkdir( var string[] path, int mode )
```

Returns

Success  $\geq 0$   
Failure  $< 0$

-EEXIST	if dir already exists
-ENOENT	if the parent dir or a component of it doesn't exist
-EINVAL	if the file name is invalid
-ENOTDIR	if a component of the path is not a directory

	-ENOSPC	out of space on the device
	-EIO	an I/O error occurred
Example	<pre>string[] path = "/usr/name/new_dir" int mode = M_READ M_EXEC ... mkdir ( path, mode )</pre>	
System Shell	mkdir	
See Also	mknod    Makes special node (device, fifo, socket, directory)	
Category	File and Device System Management	

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## mknod

Description	Makes a special node.																				
Syntax	<code>command mknod(var string[] path, node_type vt, int mode, int dev)</code>																				
Parameters	<p><i>path</i> path to the node location</p> <p><i>vt</i> the node to be made, of type node_type, one of:</p> <table><tr><td>NT_NON</td><td>no entry</td></tr><tr><td>NT_REG</td><td>regular file</td></tr><tr><td>NT_DIR</td><td>directory</td></tr><tr><td>NT_DEV</td><td>device</td></tr><tr><td>NT_LNK</td><td>symbolic link</td></tr><tr><td>NT_SOCKET</td><td>inter-process communication socket</td></tr><tr><td>NT_FIFO</td><td>fifo</td></tr></table> <p><i>mode</i> the modes of access, of type mode_flags, any combination of:</p> <table><tr><td>M_READ</td><td>read allowed</td></tr><tr><td>M_WRITE</td><td>write allowed</td></tr><tr><td>M_EXEC</td><td>executable *</td></tr></table> <p><i>dev</i> the MAJOR and MINOR device numbers</p>	NT_NON	no entry	NT_REG	regular file	NT_DIR	directory	NT_DEV	device	NT_LNK	symbolic link	NT_SOCKET	inter-process communication socket	NT_FIFO	fifo	M_READ	read allowed	M_WRITE	write allowed	M_EXEC	executable *
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System Shell	Same as mkdev, mkfifo, mksock, mkdir.																				
See Also	<code>mkdir</code> makes a new directory																				
Category	File and Device System Management Device Input and Output																				

## module\_name\_get

Description	<p>Gets the name of the module performing this subroutine call and places it into <i>name</i>, up to <i>maxlen</i> characters.</p> <p>Allows a library to retrieve its own invocation name.</p> <p>Allows multiple machine instances using only one library.</p>
Syntax	sub   module_name_get(var string[] <i>name</i> , int <i>maxlen</i> )

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Parameter	<i>name</i> the name of the module: a string of variable length <i>maxlen</i> the maximum number of characters: an int
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int length = 25 string[] module ... module_name_get(module, length) ...</pre>
Result	string module is packed with the module name
Category	System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes

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## motor

Description	<p>Rotates a motor by a defined number of encoder pulses.</p> <p>There is a third, optional parameter for a specific condition. Under most conditions, no specifier or 0 (zero) is used. If the third parameter is used, the system monitors for the specified state. Motion terminates when the input transitions to (or is in) this state or after the specified number of pulses (second parameter) have been counted, whichever is first. The third parameter is typically used when seeking for homing or limit switches during homing or calibrating operations.</p>																
Syntax	<code>command   motor( int axis, int pulses [, int cond] )</code>																
Parameters	<i>axis</i> the axis being moved: an int <i>pulses</i> the number of pulses to move: an int																
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Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$																
Example	<code>motor(3, 1000, 0)</code>																
RAPL-II	Similar to MOTOR.																
See Also	<code>joint</code> moves by joint degrees <code>jog</code> moves by cartesian increment																
Category	Motion Calibration																

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## motor\_to\_joint

Description	Converts a location from motor pulses to joint angles. Used if a location of one type needs to be converted to another type for checking or other use within the program.
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Syntax	<code>command motor_to_joint( ploc motor, var float[8] joint )</code>
Parameters	<i>motor</i> the location in motor pulses: a ploc <i>joint</i> an array of floats is packed with the location i joint angles
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ <i>joint</i> is packed Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>ploc motor1 float[8] joints1 motor_to_joint(motor1, joints1)</pre>
Result	<i>joints1</i> is packed with the appropriate joint positions
RAPL-II	Similar to SET with different location types.
See Also	<i>joint_to_motor</i> converts joint angles to motor pulses <i>motor_to_world</i> converts motor pulses to world coordinates
Category	Location: Kinematic Conversions

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## motor\_to\_world

Description	Converts a location from motor pulses to world coordinates. Used if a location of one type needs to be converted to another type for checking or other use within the program.
Syntax	<code>command motor_to_world( ploc motor, var cloc world )</code>
Parameters	<i>motor</i> the location in motor pulses: a ploc <i>world</i> the location in world coordinates: a cloc
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ <i>world</i> is packed Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>teachable ploc motor1 teachable cloc world1 motor_to_world(motor1, world1)</pre>
Result	<i>world1</i> is packed with the appropriate world coordinate location values
RAPL-II	Similar to SET with different location types.
See Also	<i>world_to_motor</i> converts world coordinates to motor pulses <i>motor_to_joint</i> converts motor pulses to joint angles
Category	Location: Kinematic Conversions

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## mount

Description	Mounts a filesystem of type <i>t</i> on directory <i>dir</i> , with options <i>flags</i> . Special filesystem-specific arguments are passed using the <i>data</i> pointer.
Syntax	<code>command mount( mount_type t, var string[] dir, \ mount_flags flags, void@ data )</code>
Parameter	<i>t</i> the type of filesystem, of type <i>mount_type</i> , one of: MOUNT_MFS Memory File System MOUNT_CFS CROSt File System MOUNT_RFS Remote File System

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	<p><b>MOUNT_HOSTFS</b>      Host File System</p> <p><i>dir</i>              the mount point of the CROS directory: a string of var length</p> <p><i>flags</i>            the option, of type mount_flags:</p> <p>          MOUNTF_RDONLY      *</p> <p><i>data</i>            file-system specific arguments</p> <p>          (none; data = NULL)    for MFS</p> <p>          char FAR *            points to path of server socket for RFS</p> <p>          char FAR *            points to host filesystem path for HOSTFS</p>
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math></p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p> <p>    -EPERM                      must be a privileged process to mount()</p> <p>    -EINVAL                    invalid argument</p> <p>    -ENOTDIR                  the mount point is not a directory</p> <p>    -ENOENT                   a component was not found</p> <p>    -EIO                        an I/O error occurred</p> <p>    -EAGAIN                   temporarily out of resources needed to do this</p> <p>    -EBUSY                    the mount point is busy</p>
Example	<pre>.define PATHLEN 32 mount_type type = MOUNT_HOSTFS string[PATHLEN] dir = "/app/this_app" mount_flags flags = MOUNTF_RDONLY c_statfs stat  int check  check = mount(type, dir, flags, NULL)</pre>
System Shell	Same as mount
RAPL-II	No equivalent.
See Also	unmount                      unmounts a mounted file system
Category	File and Device System Management

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## move

Description	<p>Moves the tool centre-point to the specified location in joint-interpolated mode. Individual robot joints start and stop at the same time. The speed of the joint that has to move the farthest is governed by the speed setting, and other joints rotate slower according to joint interpolation. The resulting path is not straight.</p> <p>The location can be either a cartesian location or a precision location.</p>
Syntax	command    move( gloc <i>location</i> )
Parameter	<i>location</i> the destination location: a gloc (can be cloc or ploc)
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math></p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p>
Example	<pre>teachable ploc pick_1 teachable cloc place_1 move(pick_1) ... move(place_1)</pre>
RAPL-II	Similar to MOVE, without the S parameter.
See Also	<p>moves                      same as move(), but in straight line</p> <p>appro                      moves to an approach position</p>

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	depart	moves to a depart position
	finish	finishes current motion before another motion
Category	Motion	
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	<b>moves</b>	
Description	<p>Moves the tool centre-point to the specified location in cartesian-interpolated mode. The result is straight-line motion. Individual robot joints start and stop at the same time.</p> <p>The location can be either a cartesian location or a precision location.</p>	
Syntax	command <code>moves( gloc location )</code>	
Parameter	<i>location</i> the destination location: a gloc	
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$	
Example	<pre>teachable ploc pick_2 teachable cloc place_2 ... moves(pick_2) ... moves(place_2)</pre>	
RAPL-II	Similar to MOVE, with optional S (straight-line) parameter.	
See Also	move	same as moves(), but joint-interpolated
	appro	moves to an approach position
	depart	moves to a depart position
	finish	finishes current motion before another motion
Category	Motion	

## msleep

Description	Sleeps for the number of milliseconds specified in <i>milliseconds</i> and then returns to the main program. Can be terminated by an EINTR error. To avoid this, use delay().	
Syntax	command <code>msleep( int milliseconds )</code>	
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$	
	EOK	no error; timed out normally
	EINTR	if interrupted by a signal
Example	<pre>loop   print ("Waiting for GPIO input 1. \n")   if (input(1) == 1 )     break   end if   msleep(250) end loop</pre>	
RAPL-II	Similar to DELAY.	
See Also	delay sleeps without being terminated by EINTR	
Category	System Process Control: Single & Multiple Processes	

## mtime

Description	<p>Obtains the number of milliseconds since system start-up.</p> <p>The data type, <code>c_mtime_t</code> is an array of ints, <code>int[2]</code>, a 64-bit number, like an unsigned long in C. In the array, <code>[0]</code> holds the least significant bit and <code>[1]</code> holds the most significant bit. There is space for approximately 584,942,417.4 years, after which the bits “roll over” to zero.</p>
Syntax	<code>command mtime( c_mtime_t@ ctp )</code>
Parameter	<code>ctp</code> the number, of type <code>c_mtime_t</code> : an <code>int[2]</code>
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math></p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p> <p>-EOK success</p>
Example	<pre>;; print the elapsed time of a delay determined by a random number ;; the time is limited to 65 seconds since only the first element ;; of the mtime array is used  main     int    num_rndm     int[2] start_tm, end_tm     srand (10)     num_rndm = rand_in (1000,65000)           ;; limit range of random number     printf ("random number = {}\n",num_rndm)     mtime(&amp;start_tm)                          ;; get start time     delay (num_rndm)     mtime(&amp;end_tm)                            ;; get end time     printf ("time elapsed = {} milliseconds\n",end_tm[0]- start_tm[0]) end main</pre>
RAPL-II	TIME, but <code>mtime()</code> is in milliseconds
Category	Date and Time

## net\_in\_get

Description	Reads input data from the F3 end of arm I/O boards.
Syntax	<code>func int net_in_get(int in)</code>
Parameter	<code>in</code> the number of the input to be read (1..32)
Returns	<p>Success: 0 -&gt; input off, 1 -&gt; input on</p> <p>Failure: <code>net_in_get()</code> raises an exception</p>
Example	<pre>;; Read input 3 from the end of arm I/O board: if (net_in_get(3))     ;; the output is set... end if</pre>
See Also	<code>net_ins_get()</code> , <code>net_outs_get()</code> , <code>net_out_set()</code> , <code>net_outs_set()</code>
Category	Digital Input and Output

**net\_ins\_get**

Description	Reads all input data from the F3 end of arm I/O boards.
Syntax	<code>func int net_ins_get(int <i>mask</i>)</code>
Parameter	<i>mask</i> bit mask with a "1" for each input whose value is to be read. The least significant bit represents channel 1, the most significant bit represents channel 32.
Returns	Success: an integer with a "1" in each bit corresponding to each input that is on. Failure: <code>net_ins_get()</code> raises an exception.
Example	<pre>int t ;; Check the status of input 1 through 8: t = net_ins_get(0x000000ff)      ;; bottom 8 bits set printf("Inputs 1 to 8 are: {02x}\n", t)</pre>
See Also	<code>net_in_get()</code> , <code>net_outs_get()</code> , <code>net_out_set()</code> , <code>net_outs_set()</code>
Category	Digital Input and Output

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**net\_out\_set**

Description	Sets a specified F3 end of arm output to a specified value.
Syntax	<code>command net_out_set(int <i>outnum</i>, int <i>value</i>)</code>
Parameters	<i>outnum</i> -- end of arm output to change (1..4) <i>value</i> -- 0 => off, 1 => on
Warning	if the F3 is configured for an air gripper, then end of arm outputs 1 and 2 are reserved, and must not be used.
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$ (-ve error code)
Example	<pre>int t ;; read input 3 and output the opposite of its value to output 3: t = net_in_get(3) if (t &lt; 0)     ;; error... end if net_out_set(3, !t)</pre>
See Also	<code>net_in_get()</code> , <code>net_ins_get()</code> , <code>net_outs_get()</code> , <code>net_outs_set()</code>
Category	Digital Input and Output

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**net\_outs\_get**

Description	Gets the current state of a set of F3 end of arm outputs.
Syntax	<code>func int net_outs_get(int <i>mask</i>)</code>
Parameters	<i>mask</i> indicates which outputs to read; the least significant bit corresponds to output 1, the most significant bit corresponds to output 32. F3 currently only supports 4 outputs
Returns	Success: an integer with a "1" in each bit corresponding to each output that is on. Failure: <code>net_outs_get()</code> raises an exception

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Example	<pre>;; Flip the state of outputs 1 through 4: t = net_outs_get(0x0000000f)      ;; get the old values ;; now set the new values, using "xor" to flip the bits: net_outs_set(t xor 0x0000000f, 0x0000000f)</pre>
See Also	net_in_get(), net_ins_get(), net_out_set(), net_outs_set()
Category	Digital Input and Output

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## net\_outs\_set

Description	Allows several F3 end of arm outputs to be set to a specified state at the same time.
Syntax	command net_outs_set(int <i>state</i> , int <i>mask</i> )
Parameters	<p><i>state</i>     -- each bit represents what state to set an output to</p> <p><i>mask</i>     -- each "1" corresponds to each output to change.</p> <p>Both "state" and "mask" are sets of bits corresponding to outputs. The least significant bits correspond to output 1; the most significant bits correspond to output 32. When the net_outs_set() command is executed, each output with a corresponding 1 in mask will be set to the value of the corresponding bit in state.</p>
Returns	<p>Success &gt;= 0</p> <p>Failure &lt; 0 (-ve error code)</p>
Example	see the example for net_outs_set(), above.
See Also	net_in_get(), net_ins_get(), net_out_set(), net_outs_get()
Category	Digital Input and Output

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## nolimp

Description	<p>Re-engages the servo control of a motor which unlimps that joint. A single axis or several axes can be specified. All axes are specified by an empty parameter.</p> <p>Used after the command limp().</p>
Syntax	command nolimp( [ int <i>axis</i> ] [, int <i>axis</i> ] ... )
Parameter (Optional)	<p><i>axis</i>       axis being unlimped</p> <p>(empty)     all axes unlimped</p>
Returns	<p>Success &gt;= 0</p> <p>Failure &lt; 0</p>
Example	<pre>limp(4, 5, 6)           ;; limps axes 4, 5, and 6 ... nolimp(4, 5, 6)         ;; unlimps axes 4, 5, and 6</pre>
Application Shell	nolimp
RAPL-II	Similar to NOLIMP.
See Also	limp                   limps axes
Category	Motion

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## obs\_get

Description	Gets point of observation.
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Syntax	<code>command obs_get()</code>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$ . Will fail only due to communications.
Example	<code>obs_get()</code>
RAPL-II	There is no corresponding construct.
See Also	<code>obs_rel</code> releases point of observation
Category	System Process Control: Points of Control and Observation

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## obs\_rel

Description	Releases point of observation.
Syntax	<code>command obs_rel()</code>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$ . Will fail only due to communications.
Example	<code>obs_rel()</code>
RAPL-II	There is no corresponding construct.
See Also	<code>obs_get</code> gets point of observation
Category	System Process Control: Points of Control and Observation

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## onbutton

Description	Waits for a button specified by <i>b</i> to be pressed. If the argument <i>blink</i> is True, the corresponding light blinks until the button is pushed. After execution the light is returned to the state it was in before the command call. The command utilizes the <code>panel_button_wait</code> subprogram.								
Syntax	<code>command onbutton(int b, int blink)</code>								
Parameter	<p><i>b</i> specifies the button to be pressed <code>button_enum</code> type one of</p> <table> <tr><td><code>B_F1</code></td><td><code>= 1</code></td></tr> <tr><td><code>B_F2</code></td><td><code>= 2</code></td></tr> <tr><td><code>B_PAUSE_CONT</code></td><td><code>= 4</code></td></tr> <tr><td><code>B_HOME</code></td><td><code>= 8</code></td></tr> </table> <p><i>blink</i> TRUE to blink the light while waiting, otherwise FALSE</p>	<code>B_F1</code>	<code>= 1</code>	<code>B_F2</code>	<code>= 2</code>	<code>B_PAUSE_CONT</code>	<code>= 4</code>	<code>B_HOME</code>	<code>= 8</code>
<code>B_F1</code>	<code>= 1</code>								
<code>B_F2</code>	<code>= 2</code>								
<code>B_PAUSE_CONT</code>	<code>= 4</code>								
<code>B_HOME</code>	<code>= 8</code>								
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$ Returns an error.								
Example	<pre>;;Program to demonstrate Panel Button subroutines. ;;Move the robot to a position aa when the F1 button is pressed ;;While the robot is moving turn on the F1 light. Set status ;;window AA after move. Then, after F2 is pressed it moves to ;;second position, turns on the F2 light, sets the status window ;;to BB main teachable cloc aa, bb panelLights_set(0xf,0x0) ;; turn off the panel lights online(ON) ;;Wait for button F1 to be pushed before moving to location AA printf("Press F1 to move robot to AA/n") loop     if(onbutton(B_F1, ON))         panel_light_set(B_F1, ON)         move(aa)         break     else         delay(250)         continue</pre>								

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        end if
    end loop
    ;;Finish move to location aa, Set AA in status window
    finish()
    panel_status(0xAA)
    panel_light_set(B_F1,OFF) ;; turn off the F1 light
    ;;Wait for button F2 to be pushed before moving to location bb no
    ;;time out
    printf("Press F2 to move to BB/n")
    loop
        if(panel_button_wait(B_F2, -1))
            panel_light_set(B_F2, ON)
            move(bb)
            break
        else
            delay(250)
            continue
        end if
    end loop
    finish() ;;Set Status to BB when robot is in location BB
    panel_status(0xBB)
    panel_lights_set(0xff, 0x00) ;;Turn off lights
end main

```

See Also      `panel_button_wait`  
                  `panel_button_set`

Category      Front Panel

## online

Description      Sets the online mode to one of the values: OFF, ON, WAIT, PROCEED, TRACK, NOTRACK.

With OFF, there is only space in the queue for one motion command. The command is taken from the queue to be processed, and must be taken out for the next command to be put in. In effect, flow proceeds in a manner similar to having a `finish()` command after each motion command.

With ON, there is space in the queue for 8 motion commands.

With WAIT, the queue fills up with motion commands. Commands are calculated while execution of the motion waits. Execution begins when the queue is full or PROCEED is encountered.

With PROCEED, the motions are executed. The robot moves through the locations without stopping at each location.

Syntax            `command online( int online_flag )`

Parameters       *online\_flag*  
                  OFF  
                  ON  
                  WAIT  
                  PROCEED  
                  ENA\_TRACK  
                  DIS\_TRACK

Returns           Success  $\geq 0$   
                  Failure  $< 0$

Example           `online(ON)                    ;; turn mode on`  
                  `online(WAIT)                ;; wait while queue fills`  
                  `move(a)                            ;;`

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move(b)                ;; fill queue with these motions
move(c)                ;;
move(d)                ;;
online(PROCEED)        ;; flush motion queue

```

RAPL-II

Similar to ONLINE.

See Also

**finish** finishes current arm motion command before next arm motion  
**gripfinish** finishes current gripper motion command before next gripper motion  
**robotisdone** gets the robot done state for non-control processes

Category

Motion  
 Robot Configuration

## open

Description

Opens an object in the file system, a file or device specified in *name*, with access mode given in *flags*. At successful completion (a positive value), the command returns the file descriptor *fd*, which is used to access the file throughout the program. If there is a problem, the command returns a negative error code.

O\_BINARY is the default mode. O\_TEXT allows CROS to create DOS compatible text file, ie., with CR-LF line terminations instead of CROS' LF-only line terminations. O\_TEXT does not affect sockets.

An open() command with O\_CREAT and O\_EXCL on a file that already exist returns an error, -EEXIST. This allows standard file locking to work.

Syntax

```
command open( var int fd, var string[] name, o_flags flags, int mode )
```

Parameters

*fd* the file descriptor: an integer  
*name* the file to be opened: a variable length string  
*flags* flags, of type o\_flags, one or more of:

with files	O_RDONLY	read only
	O_WRONLY	write only
	O_RDWR	read and write
	O_NONBLOCK	non-blocking mode
	O_APPEND	always append to EOF on writing
	O_BINARY	binary mode; all writes of '\n' get converted to line feed
	O_TEXT	text mode; all writes of '\n' get converted to carriage return and line feed '\r\n'
	O_CREAT	create file if it doesn't exist
	O_TRUNC	truncate file to 0 bytes
	O_EXCL	give error if file already exists
with sockets	O_SERVER	server
	O_CLIENT	client

The two flags, O\_CLIENT and O\_SERVER, can only be used for sockets and they are mutually exclusive.

The other flags can only be used for files and can all be used together.

Examples:

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O_RDONLY | O_NONBLOCK  read only, non-blocking reads
O_CREATE  | O_TRUNC    | O_RDWR  create a new file (or truncate an old one)

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and open for reading and writing

`O_APPEND` | `O_CREAT` | `O_WRONLY` append to an existing file, or create a new file if one doesn't exist, and write it

`O_RDWR` is the same as `O_RDONLY` | `O_WRONLY`

With any value for *flags* other than one including `O_CREAT`, opening a non-existent file is an error.

If *flags* contains `O_CREAT`, then the file is created if it doesn't exist and is given permissions specified in *mode*.

*mode* access mode, of type `mode_flags`, one or more of:

<code>M_READ</code>	readable
<code>M_WRITE</code>	writable
<code>M_EXEC</code>	executable

The modes limit the ways in which programs opening the file can access it. For example, if mode is only `M_READ`, a program can read the file, but cannot write to it. Modes may be combined with the bitwise OR operator, represented by `|` (a single vertical bar/pipe), to form any desired combination.

<code>M_READ</code>	
<code>M_READ</code>   <code>M_EXEC</code>	
<code>M_READ</code>   <code>M_WRITE</code>	
<code>M_READ</code>   <code>M_WRITE</code>   <code>M_EXEC</code>	

#### Returns

<code>&gt;= 0</code>	Success
<code>-EAGAIN</code>	The system does not presently have the resources needed to carry out this operation. For example, there may be too many files open.
<code>-EINVAL</code>	The <i>flags</i> are inconsistent or the <i>name</i> is invalid.
<code>-EEXIST</code>	Tried to open a file with <code>O_EXCL</code>   <code>O_CREAT</code> , and the file already existed.
<code>-ENOENT</code>	Some component of the path did not exist, or we are not <code>O_CREATing</code> and the file did not exist.
<code>-EISDIR</code>	Tried to open a directory for writing.
<code>-ENXIO</code>	Tried to open an unsupported device.
<code>-ETXTBSY</code>	Tried to open an executing program for writing.
<code>-ENOTDIR</code>	A component of the path to the file was not a directory.
<code>-EIO</code>	An I/O error occurred
<code>-EBUSY</code> (sockets only)	Tried to open a socket as server, but a server had already opened the socket. There can be at most 1 server.
<code>-ENOSERV</code> (sockets only)	Tried to open a socket as client, but no server was present.

#### Example

```
int fd
...
open ( fd, "filename.txt", O_RDONLY, 0 )
```

#### See Also

<code>close</code>	closes the file or device
<code>chmod</code>	change the mode
<code>write</code>	writes to the file
<code>read</code>	reads from the file
<code>send</code>	sends to the socket
<code>rcv</code>	receives from the socket
<code>chmod</code>	change the mode

#### Category

File and Device System Management  
Device Input and Output

## opennp

### open named pipe

Description	<p>Opens a named pipe in the Windows NT domain.</p> <p>Servers must specify a pipe on the local machine.</p> <p>The maximum number of named pipes that can be open at one time is 9.</p>														
Syntax	<pre>command opennp( var int fd, string[] pipename, o_flags flags, int mode, var int signal )</pre>														
Parameters	<p><i>fd</i> the file descriptor: an int</p> <p><i>pipename</i> the pipe name: a string of maximum length [128]</p> <p><i>flags</i> flags, of type o_flags, one or more of:</p> <table> <tr><td>O_RDONLY</td><td>read only</td></tr> <tr><td>O_WRONLY</td><td>write only</td></tr> <tr><td>O_RDWR</td><td>read and write</td></tr> <tr><td>O_SERVER</td><td>open as server</td></tr> <tr><td>O_CLIENT</td><td>open as client</td></tr> </table> <p><i>modes</i> access modes specific to named pipes, one or more of:</p> <table> <tr><td>M_READ_MESSAGE</td><td>readable</td></tr> <tr><td>M_WRITE_MESSAGE</td><td>writable</td></tr> </table> <p><i>signal</i> the signal to send when overlapped i/o is complete: an int</p>	O_RDONLY	read only	O_WRONLY	write only	O_RDWR	read and write	O_SERVER	open as server	O_CLIENT	open as client	M_READ_MESSAGE	readable	M_WRITE_MESSAGE	writable
O_RDONLY	read only														
O_WRONLY	write only														
O_RDWR	read and write														
O_SERVER	open as server														
O_CLIENT	open as client														
M_READ_MESSAGE	readable														
M_WRITE_MESSAGE	writable														
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math></p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p>														
Example	<pre>opennp( pd, ../pipe/pipe_on_this_machine, O_SERVER O_RDWR, M_READ_MESSAGE M_WRITE_MESSAGE, 13 )  opennp( NT_app_pipe, ../lab/pipe/app2_pipe, O_SERVER O_RDWR, M_READ_MESSAGE M_WRITE_MESSAGE, 22 )</pre>														
RAPL-II	No equivalent.														
See Also	<p><code>closenp</code> closes a named pipe</p> <p><code>connectnp</code> connects to a named pipe</p> <p><code>disconnectnp</code> disconnects a client from a named pipe</p> <p><code>statusnp</code> checks the status of a named pipe</p>														
Category	Win 32														

## output

### output\_set

Alias	
Description	<p>Sets the single specified output channel to the specified state. The Boolean parameter <code>bypass</code> is optional. If set <code>TRUE</code> the execution of the output command bypasses the online motion queue.</p>
Syntax	<pre>command output( int channel, int state [, boolean bypass] )</pre>
Parameters	<p><i>channel</i> the GPIO channel: an int. Channels 1 to 16 correspond to actual GPIO output points; channels 17 to 24 are “virtual outputs” that act exactly like real outputs but do not connect to a physical signal. By watching virtual outputs, a process can synchronize itself to the motion queue.</p>

	<i>state</i>	the state: an int, one of 0 -> off or 1 -> on
	<i>bypass</i>	True (1) -> execution bypasses the online queue and is not synchronized to robot motion False (0) -> output execution is queued in the motion queue. This is the default if this argument is omitted.
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$	
Example	<pre>output(0, 0)    ;; Turns off output 0 command is queued in the                 ;; online motionoutput(0,1,True)    ;; Turns on output 0 independent of the                         ;; online motion queue output_set(1,0,False)    ;; Turns off output 1- queued in the                         ;; online motion queue</pre>	
RAPL-II	Similar to OUTPUT, but OUTPUT used a positive or negative sign for the state.	
See Also	<i>outputs</i> sets the entire bank of output channels to states <i>output_pulse</i> sets a channel to one state, waits, then sets to opposite state <i>output_get</i> gets the current state of an output channel <i>input</i> queries an input channel for its state	
Category	Digital Input and Output	

## output\_get

Description	Gets the current state of the specified output channel.	
Syntax	func output_get( int <i>channel</i> )	
Parameters	There is one parameter:  <i>channel</i> the GPIO channel : an int. Channels 1 to 16 correspond to actual GPIO output points; channels 17 to 24 are “virtual outputs” that act exactly like real outputs but do not connect to a physical signal. By watching virtual outputs, a process can synchronize itself to the motion queue.	
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ the state: an int, one of: 0 = off 1 = on Failure $< 0$	
Example	<pre>int state int channel ... state = output_get(channel)</pre>	
Result	state = 1 if output is on, state = 0 if output is off	
RAPL-II	No equivalent.	
See Also	<i>output</i> sets an output channel to a state <i>output_pulse</i> sets and reverses an output for its state	

input                    queries an input channel for its state  
 outputs\_get            queries the entire bank of output channels for their states

Category                Digital Input and Output

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## output\_pulse

Description            Sets the specified output channel to the specified state, waits 50 milliseconds and then sets the channel to the opposite state. The Boolean parameter *bypass* is optional. If set TRUE the execution of the output command bypasses the online motion queue.

Outputs can be pulsed on or pulsed off.

If the initial state of the output is different from the first state of this command, the output is set to that first state and then set to the opposite (the output's initial) state. If the initial state of the output is the same as the first state of this command, the setting of the first state makes no change and the output is then set to the opposite state.

Syntax                 `command   output_pulse( int channel, int state [, boolean bypass])`

Parameters            *channel*     the GPIO channel: an int  
                   *state*        the state: an int, one of:  
                       0            off  
                       1            on  
                   *bypass*    boolean either  
                       TRUE (1)        execution bypasses the online queue  
                       FALSE (0)      default option - output execution is queued

Returns                Success  $\geq 0$   
                          Failure  $< 0$

Example                `int state  
                          int channel  
                          ...  
                          state = output_pulse(channel, state, 1)`

Result                 output defined by int *channel* is pulsed, the command is not queued

RAPL-II                No equivalent.

See Also                output            sets an output channel to a state  
                          outputs            sets the entire bank of output channels to states  
                          output\_get        gets the current state of an output channel  
                          input             queries the state of an input channel

Category                Digital Input and Output

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## output\_set

Alias                   **output**

Syntax                 `command   output_set( int channel, int state [, . . .] )`

Category                Digital Input and Output

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## outputs

Alias                   **outputs\_set**

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Description	Sets the entire bank of output channels to the specified states with a bitmask. The Boolean parameter <i>bypass</i> is optional. If set TRUE the execution of the output command bypasses the online motion queue.
Syntax	<code>command outputs(int <i>fieldstate</i>, int <i>mask</i>[, <i>boolean bypass</i>] )</code>
Parameters	There are three parameters, one of which is optional: <i>fieldstate</i> a bit mapped state of the outputs <i>mask</i> the output state of each bit will only be updated by the “ <i>new_val</i> ” if the corresponding mask bit is high. <i>bypass</i> True (1) -> execution bypasses the online queue and is not synchronized to robot motion False (0) -> output execution is queued in the motion queue. This is the default if this argument is omitted.
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre>int mask = 0xFFFF ;;bit mask all 1's int state = 0 ... outputs(state, mask, 0)</pre>
Result	All outputs are set low, the command is queued in the online motion queue
RAPL-II	No equivalent.
See Also	<i>output</i> sets an output channel to a state <i>outputs_get</i> queries the entire bank of output channels for their states <i>inputs</i> queries the entire bank of input channels for their states
Category	Digital Input and Output

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## outputs\_get

Description	Gets the current state of all the output channels.
Syntax	<code>func outputs_get()</code>
Parameters	none
Returns	Success >= 0 the state: an int, which is a bit map of the channel output states: 0 = off 1 = on Failure < 0
Example	<pre>int state            ;;present outputs int state2          ;;desired outputs  int channel = 0xffff ;; selects all outputs (111111111111111)  state = outputs_get() if state == state2    ;;what is wanted  else ;; set outputs to the state specified in state2 outputs_set( channel,state2) end if</pre>
Result	Set outputs to the state specified in state2
RAPL-II	No equivalent.

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See Also	outputs	sets the entire bank of output channels to states
	output_get	gets the current state of an output channel
	inputs	queries the state of all input channels
Category	Digital Input and Output	

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## outputs\_set

Alias	<b>outputs</b>
Syntax	<code>command outputs_set( int fieldstate, int mask[, boolean bypass] )</code>
Category	Digital Input and Output

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## panel\_button

Description	Determines the status of the button specified by argument <i>b</i> . The return will be 0, unless the button is pressed. While the button is pressed the returned value is TRUE.									
Syntax	func int panel_button(button_enum <i>b</i> )									
Parameter	<i>b</i> button_enum type -one of: <table><tr><td>B_F1</td><td>= 1</td></tr><tr><td>B_F2</td><td>= 2</td></tr><tr><td>B_PAUSE_CONT</td><td>= 4</td></tr><tr><td>B_HOME</td><td>= 8</td></tr></table>		B_F1	= 1	B_F2	= 2	B_PAUSE_CONT	= 4	B_HOME	= 8
B_F1	= 1									
B_F2	= 2									
B_PAUSE_CONT	= 4									
B_HOME	= 8									
Returns	Success >= 0	Returns TRUE if the button specified is pressed.								
	Failure < 0	Error descriptor								
Example	<pre>printf("Press F1 to move the robot") loop     t=panel_button(B_F1)     if t         move(position)         break     else         delay(250)         continue     end if end loop</pre> <p>Refer also to the onbutton command description for further example of the panel button subprograms.</p>									
See Also	panel_buttons on_button panel_button_wait									
Category	Front Panel									

## panel\_button\_wait

Description	Command waits for a particular button to be pressed. If the time specified by the timeout (seconds) argument is exceed an error descriptor is returned.
Syntax	<code>command panel_button_wait(button_enum b, int timeout)</code>

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Parameter	<b><i>b</i></b> button_enum type one of: <table> <tr><td>B_F1</td><td>= 1</td></tr> <tr><td>B_F2</td><td>= 2</td></tr> <tr><td>B_PAUSE_CONT</td><td>= 4</td></tr> <tr><td>B_HOME</td><td>= 8</td></tr> </table>	B_F1	= 1	B_F2	= 2	B_PAUSE_CONT	= 4	B_HOME	= 8
B_F1	= 1								
B_F2	= 2								
B_PAUSE_CONT	= 4								
B_HOME	= 8								
	<b><i>timeout</i></b> waiting time in seconds, -1 (TM_FOREVER) means no time limit								
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0 ETIMEOUT if waiting time is exceed								
Example	<pre>;;Wait for button F2 to be pressed then move loop   if(panel_button_wait(B_F2, -1))     panel_light_set(B_F2, ON)     move(bb)     break   else     delay(250)     continue   end if end loop</pre>								
See Also	Refer to the onbutton command description for an example of the panel button subprograms onbutton panel_button panel_buttons								
Category	Front Panel								

## panel\_buttons

Description	Gets the status of the panel buttons. The status is returned as a bit vector. The bits which are high (1) indicate which buttons are pressed. The value returned is zero if no buttons are pressed. If the value 3 (0...0011) is returned then panel buttons F1 and F2 are pressed.
Syntax	func int panel_buttons()
Returns	Success >= 0 Returns an integer high bits indicate which buttons were pressed. Failure < 0 Returns an error descriptor
Example	<pre>printf("Press F1 and F2 to move the robot") loop   t=panel_buttons()   if t ==3 ;;F1 and F2 must be pressed together     move(position)     break   else     delay(250)     continue   end if end loop</pre> <p>Also refer to the onbutton command description for further example of the panel button subprograms</p>
Result	When buttons F1 and F2 are both pressed at the same time the robot will move.
See Also	panel_buttons on_button panel_button_wait

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Category Front Panel

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### panel\_light\_get

**Description** The function returns the status of the front panel light specified. Returns TRUE if the light is on FALSE if it is off.

**Syntax** `func int panel_light_get(button_enum b)`

**Parameter** *b* Specifies the light to check, button\_enum type one of:

B_F1	= 1
B_F2	= 2
B_PAUSE_CONT	= 4
B_HOME	= 8

**Returns** Success  $\geq 0$  Returns ON if the light specified if the light is on.  
Failure  $< 0$  Error descriptor

**Example**

```
int light_stat
...
;;Get status of the HOME light
light_stat = panel_light_get(B_HOME)
```

Refer to the onbutton command description for an example of the panel button subprograms

**See Also** panel\_lights\_get  
panel\_light\_set  
panel\_lights\_set

Category Front Panel

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### panel\_light\_set

**Description** The command causes the light specified with the button\_enum type to be set to the status specified by the int on. Use this command to link light status to conditions in robot applications.

**Syntax** `command panel_light_set(button_enum b, int on)`

**Parameter** *button* Refer to the Front Panel section for the button\_enum definitions  
*on* If ON (ON = 1) turns light on, if OFF (OFF = 0) sets light off

**Returns** Success  $\geq 0$   
Failure  $< 0$

**Example** `panel_light_set(B_F1,OFF) ;; turn off the F1 light`

Refer to the onbutton command description for an example of the front panel subprograms.

**See Also** panel\_light\_get  
panel\_lights\_get  
panel\_lights\_set

Category Front Panel

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## panel\_lights\_get

Description	Returns the status of the four panel lights in bit vector format. If the light is ON the corresponding bit in the return integer is high. For example if the return value is 10 (0.. 01010), the F2 and HOME lights are ON.
Syntax	<code>func int panel_lights_get()</code>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ An integer with high bits corresponding to the ON lights. Failure $< 0$ error descriptor
Example	<pre>t=panel_lights_get()  ;; returns the lights that are on   if t                ;; at least on light is ON     panel_lights_set(0xff, 0x00)  ;;turn lights off   end if</pre> <p>Also refer to the onbutton command description for a further example of the front panel subprograms.</p>
See Also	<p>panel_light_get  panel_light_set  panel_light_set</p>
Category	Front Panel

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## panel\_lights\_set

Description	Set the panel lights selected by the argument mask to the corresponding values as specified by the argument value.
Syntax	<code>command panel_lights_set(int mask, int value)</code>
Parameter	<p><i>mask</i>      integer used for selecting the lamps. For each high bit (1) the corresponding light is selected. For example mask = 9 (0...01001) the F1 and Home lights are selected.</p> <p><i>value</i>      Specifies the values for the selected lights. For example 0 sets all the selected lights to OFF, 9 sets the F1 and HOME lights to ON.</p>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$ Returns an error descriptor
Example	<pre>panel_status(0xBB) panel_lights_set(0xff, 0x00) ;;Turn off lights</pre> <p>Refer to the onbutton command description for an example of the front panel subprograms.</p>
See Also	<p>panel_lights_get  panel_light_get  panel_light_set</p>
Category	Front Panel

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## panel\_status

Description	Sets the front panel status window to display the argument value. Note the command is intended to test the function of the window. Changing the display does not change the actual system status.
Syntax	<code>command panel_status(int value)</code>

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Parameter	<i>value</i> the value to be displayed in the status window. The window can display 2 hexadecimal integers, therefore only the 8 LS bits are meaningful in the argument value.
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int i for i=0 to 255     delay(100)      ;;short delay     panel_status(i) ;;display window combinations in sequence end for</pre> <p>Also refer to the onbutton command description for an example of the front panel subprograms.</p>
Category	Front Panel

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### pdp\_get

Description	The function gets the private data area pointer for the current thread.
Syntax	func void@ pdp_get()
Parameters	no parameters
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Returns void pointer to the data area for current thread. Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>void@ ptr if !(ptr=pdp_get())     ;;error in function call else     ;;program commands end if</pre>
Category	Memory

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### pdp\_set

Description	A subroutine to set the private area memory for the current thread
Syntax	sub pdp_set(void@ ptr)
Parameters	<i>ptr</i> is a void ptr which points to the private data area for the current thread.
Returns	subroutines do not return a value
Example	<pre>void@ ptr pdp_set(ptr)</pre>
Category	Memory

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### pendant\_bell

Description	The serial teach pendant has a small speaker that may be used to signal events. There are three sounds which can be sent to the speaker. The sound is specified by the type pendant_bell_t argument passed in the command call with.
Library	stp3
Syntax	export command pendant_bell(pendant_bell_t bell_type)

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Parameter	The pendant_bell_t bell_type has the following definition: <pre>typedef pendant_bell_t enum     pendant_bell_short = 1,     pendant_bell_long,     pendant_bell_alert      ;; stuttering beep end enum</pre>
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
Example	... <pre>stpv3:pendant_bell(pendant_bell_alert)</pre> ...
RAPL-II	Same as PRINTF 0,"\\e[0q or \\e[1q or \\e[2q or \\e[3q"
Category	Pendant

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### pendant\_chr\_get

Description	Reads a character from the pendant. This command does not wait until a return is entered and thus yields a null string if data is not ready.
Library	stpv3
Syntax	export command pendant_chr_get(var string[] buffer)
Parameter	buffer      the character is stored in the buffer string
Returns	Success >= 0   buffer is packed with character Failure < 0
Example	stpv3:pendant_chr_get(answer)
Result	Reads character at teach pendant
RAPL-II	Same as INPUT <string_number(&1-4)>,<Device_zero(0)>
Category	Pendant

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### pendant\_close

Description	Close the pendant in preparation for shutting down a program or the controller. The command disables the liveman switch.
Library	stpv3
Syntax	export command pendant_close()
Parameter	None
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
Example	stpv3:pendant_close()
RAPL-II	Same as PENDANT OFF
See Also	shutdown
Category	Pendant

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**pendant\_cursor\_pos\_set**

Description	Move the cursor to the position specified by the row and column arguments. If the position specified is not a valid position an error is returned. The pendant screen has 4 rows and 18 columns.
Library	stpv3
Syntax	export command pendant_cursor_pos_set(int row, int column)
Parameter	<i>row</i> 1-4 are valid rows <i>column</i> 1-18 are valid columns
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre>... stpv3:pendant_cursor_pos_set(4,1)      ;;set the cursor to the  ;;bottom row first column  ...</pre>
RAPL-II	Same as PRINTF 0,"\\e[ <i>row_num</i> ; <i>column_num</i> "
See Also	pendant_home pendant_home_clear
Category	Pendant

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**pendant\_cursor\_set**

Description	Enables or disables the pendant cursor, depending on the argument passed. A disabled cursor is not visible on the pendant screen. The enabled cursors, default setting, causes the cursor to blink on the screen.
Library	stpv3
Syntax	export command pendant_cursor_set(Boolean new_cursor)
Parameter	<i>new_cursor</i> 1 enabled <i>new_cursor</i> 0 disabled
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre>... pendant_cursor_set( 1 ) ...</pre>
Category	Pendant

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**pendant\_flush**

Description	Flushes any 'junk' characters in the incoming buffer.
Library	stpv3
Syntax	export command pendant_flush()
Parameter	None

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Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	... stpv3:pendant_flush() stpv3:pendant_close() ...
Result	Flushes
See Also	pendant_chr_get pendant_close
Category	Pendant

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## pendant\_home

Description	Moves the pendant cursor to the top left side of the pendant screen, row 1, column 1. The home position.
Library	stpv3
Syntax	export command pendant_home()
Parameter	None
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	... stpv3:pendant_home() ...
Category	Pendant

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## pendant\_home\_clear

Description	Moves the pendant screen cursor to the home position and clears the screen.
Library	stpv3
Syntax	command pendant_home_clear()
Parameter	None
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	... stpv3:pendant_home_clear() ...
RAPL-II	Same as PRINTF 0, "\e[1;1f\e[1s"
See Also	pendant_home
Category	Pendant

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## pendant\_open

Description	Prepare the pendant for access and initialize it to defaults.
Library	stpv3

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Syntax	<code>command pendant_open( )</code>
Parameter	None
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<code>pendant_open( )</code>
RAPL-II	Same as PENDANT ON
See Also	startup
Category	Pendant

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## pendant\_write

Description	Writes a string to the pendant. The string can include standard ansi escape codes to format the display on the screen. The <code>pendant_write</code> command calls the <code>writes</code> command from the File and Device Input and Output category.
Library	<code>stp3</code>
Syntax	<code>stp3:export command pendant_write(var string[] <i>buffer</i>)</code>
Parameter	<i>buffer</i> the text to be displayed on the pendant screen
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	... <code>pendant_write(". . .")</code> ...
RAPL-II	Same as PRINTF Device_0," Text"
See Also	<code>writes</code>
Category	Pendant

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## pipe

Description	Creates a single stream pipe between two file descriptors. In a pipe, data can flow only in one direction. Calling <code>pipe()</code> creates a file descriptor <i>rd_fd</i> that is mode <code>RD_ONLY</code> and another file descriptor <i>wr_fd</i> that is mode <code>WR_ONLY</code> . Closing the write end is the only way of sending an EOF indication to the read end. Also, writing to the write end of a pipe whose read end is closed results in a <code>SIGPIPE</code> being sent to the writer.  Generally, <code>pipe()</code> is called prior to a split, and then the pipe is used between parent and child communication. The parent then closes either the write or the read descriptor, depending on the direction of flow wanted, and the child closes the remaining descriptor.
Syntax	<code>command pipe( var int <i>rd_fd</i>, var int <i>wr_fd</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>rd_fd</i> an int- file descriptor for the read end of the pipe <i>wr_fd</i> an int- file descriptor for the write end of the pipe
Returns	$\geq 0$ Success -EINVAL                    the arguments were invalid -EAGAIN                    The system does not have sufficient resources to carry

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out this operation at this time.

Example

```
main
  int  ps_id,i,status
  int fd_pipe_rd, fd_pipe_wr
  pipe (fd_pipe_rd, fd_pipe_wr)      ;; pipe file is opened in
                                      ;; blocking mode for reads

  ps_id = split()
  if ps_id == 0
    close (fd_pipe_wr)                ;; child will read
                                      ;;data
    for i = 1 to 5
      read (fd_pipe_rd,&i,1)  ;; if data is not available
                              ;; the read will be blocked
      printf ("\nchild read - {}",i)
    end for
    close (fd_pipe_rd)
  else
    close (fd_pipe_rd)                ;; parent will write
                                      ;; data
    for i=1 to 5
      write (fd_pipe_wr,&i, 1)
      delay (500)
    end for
    close (fd_pipe_wr)
    waitpid (ps_id,&status,0)         ;; wait for child to
                                      ;; complete
  end if
  printf ("\n")
end main
```

Result

```
child read - 1
child read - 2
child read - 3
child read - 4
child read - 5
```

Category

File and Device System Management:

## pitch

Alias

jog\_t ...

alias	same as
pitch	jog_t(TOOL_PITCH, ... )

Description

In the tool frame of reference, rotates around the orientation axis, the Y axis, by the specified number of degrees.

Motion	axis		
	common name	F3 coordinate system	A465/A255 coordinate system
pitch	orientation	Y	Y

This command, pitch(), is joint-interpolated. The end position is determined and the tool travels to it as a result of various joint motions. The start point and end point for the tool centre point are the same (no change in distance along the axis or angle between the axis and the tool), but the start position and end position of the tool are different by the amount of rotation.

For cartesian-interpolated (straight line) motion, see `pitchs()`.

Syntax	<code>command pitch( float <i>distance</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>distance</i> the amount of rotation in degrees: a float
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0
Example	<code>pitch(22.5)</code> <code>pitch(-90)</code>
Application Shell	Same as <code>pitch</code> .
RAPL-II	No equivalent. In RAPL-II, PITCH performed a different motion. See <code>yrot</code> .
See Also	<code>pitchs</code> moves around the tool orientation axis, but in straight line motion <code>roll</code> moves around the tool approach/depart axis, joint-interpolated <code>yaw</code> moves around the tool normal axis, joint-interpolated
Category	Motion

## pitchs

Alias `jog_ts ...`

alias	same as
<code>pitchs</code>	<code>jog_ts(TOOL_PITCH, ...)</code>

Description In the tool frame of reference, rotates around the orientation axis, the Y axis, by the specified number of degrees.

Motion	axis		
	common name	F3 coordinate system	A465/A255 coordinate system
<code>pitch</code>	orientation	Y	Y

This command, `pitchs()`, is cartesian-interpolated (straight-line) motion. The tool centre point stays on the axis, in the same place, while the tool rotates around the axis.

For joint-interpolated motion, see `pitch()`.

Syntax	<code>command pitchs( float <i>distance</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>distance</i> the amount of rotation in degrees: a float
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0
Example	<code>pitchs(22.5)</code> <code>pitchs(-90)</code>
Application Shell	Same as <code>pitchs</code> .
RAPL-II	No equivalent. In RAPL-II, PITCH performed a different motion. See <code>yrots</code> .
See Also	<code>pitch</code> moves around the tool orientation axis, but joint-interpolated <code>rolls</code> moves around the tool approach/depart axis in straight line motion <code>yaws</code> moves around the tool normal axis in straight line motion
Category	Motion



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## pos\_axis\_set

Description	Sets a specified axis to a specified position. Similar to zero(), but with a non-zero value.
Syntax	command pos_axis_set( int axis, int pos )
Parameter	<i>axis</i> the axis ... : an int <i>pos</i> motor pulse count ... : an int
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre>int pulses int axis ... pos_axis_set(axis, pulses)</pre>
Result	Moves the joint "axis" by "pulses" pulse counts in the positive direction
See Also	pos_get
Category	Location: Data Manipulation

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## pos\_get

Description	Gets the location information from the position registers.
Syntax	command pos_get(position_t postype, var ploc position )
Parameter	<i>postype</i> the type of robot position: POSITION_ACTUAL        the actual robot position POSITION_COMMANDED    the commanded robot position POSITION_ENDPOINT     the end-point robot position POSITION_HOLD         the hold robot position <i>position:</i> the position of the robot: a ploc
Returns	Success > 0, <i>position is packed with the precision location</i> Failure < 0
Example	<pre>int test ploc place ... test = pos_get(POSITION_ACTUAL, place) ;; use test for error check</pre>
RAPL-II	Similar to: W0, W1            pos_get(POSITION_COMMANDED) W2, W3            pos_get(POSITION_ACTUAL) W4                pos_get(POSITION_ENDPOINT) ACTUAL            pos_get(POSITION_ACTUAL) except that RAPL-II generated output and ACTUAL also gave cartesian.
See Also	here                stores the current location in a location variable pos_set             sets the position registers of the robot
Category	Location: Data Manipulation Calibration

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**pos\_set**

Description	Loads the robot position registrers with location or pose inforamtion. Similar to zero(), but with a non-zero value. Does not move the arm.
Syntax	<code>command pos_set( ploc pos )</code>
Parameter	<i>pos</i> : a ploc
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>... teachable ploc there ... pos_set(there)</pre>
Result	Sets all axes to the position specified by the teachable ploc "there".
RAPL-II	Same as @LOCATE
See Also	pos_get
Category	Location: Data Manipulation Calibration

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**pow**

Description	Calculates a value raised to a power. Takes a non-negative value and a non-negative power.
Syntax	<code>func float pow( float a, float b )</code>
Arguments	a the value b the power
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ . The value a raised to the power b. Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>float a = 2.5, b = 3.0 float y y = pow( a, b )</pre>
Result	15.625
RAPL-II	POW
See Also	ln calculates the natural logarithm log calculates the common (base 10) logarithm sqrt calculates the square root
Category	Math

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**print****print**

Description	Writes the specified data to standard output device, normally the terminal screen. Two types of arguments can be given in the variable argument list: constants and variables. The constants are printed exactly as they are given.
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	The variable's value is what is copied to the output device. The method used in printing is to print the arguments in the exact order that they were given.
Syntax	<code>command print ( ... )</code>
Returns	<p><code>&gt;= 0</code> Success.</p> <p><code>-EIO</code> An I/O error occurred.</p> <p><code>-EINTR</code> This operation was interrupted by a signal.</p>
Example	<pre>count_cycle = 1048 print ( "Robot has worked ",count_cycle," cycles.\n" )</pre>
Result	Robot has worked 1048 cycles. displayed at the terminal screen and the cursor advanced to a newline.
See Also	<code>printf</code> format print command to the standard output
Category	File Input and Output: Unformatted Output

## printf

### print formatted

Description	<p>Converts and writes output to the standard output device, normally the terminal screen, under the control of a specified format <i>fmt</i>.</p> <p>Format specifications are detailed in the Formatted Output section of File Input and Output</p>
Syntax	<code>command printf( var string[] <i>fmt</i>, ... )</code>
Format Specifiers	<p>The format string may consist of two different objects, normal characters, which are directly copied to the file descriptor, and conversion braces which print the arguments to the descriptor. The conversion braces take the format:</p> <pre>{ [ <i>flags</i> ] [ <i>field width</i> ] [ <i>.precision</i> ] [ <i>e E f g G x X</i> ] }</pre>

### Flags

Flags that are given in the conversion can be the following (in any order):

- `-` (minus sign) specifies left justification of the converted argument in its field.
- `+` (plus sign) specifies that the number will always have a sign.
- `0` (zero) in numeric conversions causes the field width to be padded with leading zeros.

### Field width

The field width is the minimum field that the argument is to be printed in. If the converted argument has fewer characters than the field, then the argument is padded with spaces (unless the `0` (zero) flag was specified) on the left (or on the right if the `-` (minus sign) was specified). If the item takes more space than the specified field width, then the field width is exceeded.

### .precision

The precision number specifies the number of characters to be printed in a string, the number of significant digits in a float, or the maximum number of digits to be printed in an integer.

### e or E

[For floating point numbers only]

This flag indicates that a floating point number should be printed in exponential notation, which looks like:

[-]d.ddddde+dd      (e format)  
or      [-]d.dddddE+dd      (E format)

The **.precision** refers to the number of digits after the decimal point, and defaults to 6 if it is omitted.

### **f**

[For floating point numbers only]

This flag indicates that a floating point number should be printed in ordinary floating point notation, which looks like:

[-]d.ddddd

The **.precision** refers to the number of digits after the decimal point, and defaults to 6 if it is omitted.

### **g or G**

[For floating point numbers only. This is the default format for floating point.]

This flag indicates that a floating point number should be printed either in **f** or **e|E** format, whichever is more compact. (**e|E** type is used if the exponent is less than -4 or the exponent is  $\geq$  the **.precision**.) Note that for this mode only, the **.precision** indicates the number of *significant digits* to be printed, **not** the number of digits after the decimal point.

### **x or X**

This is the hexadecimal flag which specifies whether or not an integer argument should be printed in hexadecimal (base 16) or not. The lowercase **x** specifies lowercase letters (abcdef) are to be used in the hexadecimal display and the uppercase **X** specifies uppercase letters (ABCDEF).

A character sequence of `{ {` means to print the single `{` (opening brace) character.

#### Returns

<code>&gt;= 0</code>	Success.
<code>-EINVAL</code>	The arguments were invalid.
<code>-EIO</code>	An I/O error occurred.
<code>-EINTR</code>	This operation was interrupted by a signal.

#### Example

```
float  a = 1.23,  b = 12.345,      c = 1.234
float  d = 98.7,  e = -987654.3210, f = 9876.5
printf("a = {5.2}, b = {+08.3}, c = {-8.3} \n", a, b, c)
printf("d = {5.2}, e = {+08.3}, f = {-8.3} \n", d, e, f)
```

#### Result

```
a =  1.2, b = +00012.3, c = 1.23
d =  99, e = -9.88e+005, f = 9.88e+003  *
```

#### Category

File Input and Output: Formatted Output

## **rad**

#### Description

Converts degrees to radians.

#### Syntax

```
func float rad( float x )
```

#### Returns

The angle converted to radians.

#### Example

```
float x = 45.0
float y
y = rad( x )
```

#### Result

```
0.785398
```

#### RAPL-II

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RAD
```

See Also	deg	converts radians to degrees
Category	Math	

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## rand

Description	A function for generating random numbers (integers). The function uses a seed value which can be set using the rand_next function.	
Syntax	func int rand()	
Returns	Returns a random number.	
Example	<pre>int r =5 int seed = 13 int[] random int j ... srand(int seed)           ;; sets the seed value rand_next = 13 ...                            ;; generate a 5 element array of random                            ;; numbers  for j = 1 to r     random[j-1] = rand() end for</pre>	
Result	A 5 element array of random number integers.	
See Also	rand_in	generates random numbers within a specified range
	srand	sets the random generator seed value
Category	Math	

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## rand\_in

Description	A function for generating random numbers (integers) which fall in the range specified. The function uses a seed value which can be set using the rand_next function.	
Syntax	func int rand_in(int min, int max)	
Parameters	min, max are integer values which define the range of random numbers returned.	
Returns	Returns a random number in the range [ <i>min</i> .. <i>max</i> ].	
Example	<pre>int r =5 int seed = 13 int min = {expression} int max = {expression} int[] random(min max) int j ... srand(int seed)           ;; sets the seed value rand_next = 13 ;;generate a 5 element array of random numbers for j = 1 to r     random[j-1] = rand_in(min, max) end for</pre>	
Result	A 5 element array of random number integers with values between min and max. .	
See Also	rand	generates random numbers
	srand	sets the random generator seed value
Category	Math	

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**rcv**

## Description

Receives words from a socket. If the `rcv()` command succeeds, it returns the (positive) number of words (4 byte entities) read. This may be less than *nwords*, the length of the receive buffer. If the `rcv()` command fails, it returns a negative error code. If the timeout is specified, `rcv()` will try to read for *timeout* milliseconds before returning. Words that are read are placed into *buf*, which must be at least of size *nwords*. If *ppid* is a NULL pointer, the receive can be from any process. If *ppid* is not a NULL pointer, the value of the variable being pointed to is the pid of the process from which you are trying to receive. If that *ppid@* is 0, it receives from any process and returns the pid of that process.

If a server tries to receive from a client with a timeout of `TM_NOWAIT` and the client is non-existent, the error code `-ENOCLIENT` is returned.

`rcv()` is similar to `read()` which is used for all other (non-socket) entities.

## Syntax

```
command rcv(int fd, void @buf, int nwords, int timeout, int@
ppid)
```

## Parameters

<i>fd</i>	The file descriptor referring to the open socket.
<i>buf</i>	Points to where to store the received data.
<i>nwords</i>	The number of word to receive, maximum. Note that it is not an error for the sending process to send fewer than <i>nwords</i> words.
<i>timeout</i>	How long to wait for the transaction, in milliseconds. There are two special values, <code>TM_NOWAIT</code> (don't wait at all) and <code>TM_FOREVER</code> (wait forever.)
<i>ppid</i>	If this is NULL, then we are trying to <code>rcv()</code> from any other process. If non-NULL, then this is a pointer to an integer in which the desired process id (pid) of the sender is stored (with 0 meaning any). On success, <code>rcv()</code> stores the actual sending process id in <i>ppid@</i> .

## Returns

<code>&gt;= 0</code>	Success. Returns the number of words received.
<code>-EINVAL</code>	The arguments were invalid (eg., <i>fd</i> was -ve)
<code>-EBADF</code>	The file descriptor does not correspond to an open object.
<code>-ENOTSOCK</code>	The object open on <i>fd</i> is not a socket.
<code>-EAGAIN</code>	Too large a receive was attempted; also returned when a <code>TM_NOWAIT rcv()</code> does not immediately succeed.
<code>-ETIMEOUT</code>	The <i>timeout</i> expired.
<code>-EINTR</code>	The operation was interrupted by a signal.
<code>-ENOSERV</code> (client only)	There is no server serving this socket.
<code>-ENOCLIENT</code>	There is no client matching the parameters of the

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	(server only)      rcv().
Example	<pre>int sock_fd string[30] mbuf ... ;; Open a socket for a client. open (sock_fd, "/mydev", O_CLIENT, 0) ... ;; Receive message from the socket. rcv ( sock_fd, &amp;mbuf, sizeof(mbuf), TM_FOREVER, NULL )</pre>
See Also	<pre>send            sends words to a socket open            opens a socket and other entities</pre>
Category	Device Input and Output

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## read

Description	<p>Attempts to read <i>nwords</i> from the file descriptor <i>fd</i> and store the result in <i>buf</i>. If the number of words specified in <i>nwords</i> cannot be read the command will perform a blocking read, unless the file descriptor was opened with mode <code>O_NONBLOCK</code>. After reading, the file position is moved by the number of words read. This provides a sequential move through the file.</p> <p>The <code>read()</code> command reads 4-byte words (32 bits). The <code>reads()</code> command reads characters (8 bits).</p> <p>Similar to <code>rcv()</code> which is used for sockets.</p>
Syntax	command <code>read( int <i>fd</i>, void@ <i>buf</i>, int <i>nwords</i> )</code>
Parameters	<pre><i>fd</i>            the open file descriptor <i>buf</i>           a pointer to where to store the read data <i>nwords</i>       the number of 4-byte words to be read: an int</pre>
Returns	<pre>&gt; 0            Success; the number of words actually read. 0              The end of file was encountered. -EINVAL        The arguments were invalid. -EBADF         <i>fd</i> does not correspond to an open file. -EACCESS       The file is not open for reading. -ESPIPE        Attempted to read a socket. -EIO            An I/O error occurred. -EAGAIN        (nonblocking I/O) No bytes were ready for reading. -EINTR         This operation was interrupted by a signal.</pre>
Example	<pre>int fd int[10] buf ... open ( fd, "filename.txt", O_RDONLY, 0 ) read ( fd, buf, sizeof(buf) )</pre>
Example	<pre>int a                    ;; reads four characters from keyboard read ( stdin, &amp;a, 1 ) ;; and stores them as an int print ( a, "\n" )        ;; returns only when four characters are                          entered</pre>
RAPL-II	GETCH

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See Also	reads	reads a string from a file
	readsa	reads a string from a file and appends it to a string
	write	writes to a file
	writes	writes a string to a file
	open	opens a file to read, write, etc.
Category	File Input and Output: Unformatted Input	

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## readdir

**Description** Reads a directory entry and stores the structure in *buf*. Reading from the directory automatically increments the file pointer for *fd*.

**Syntax** `command readdir( int fd, var c_dirent buf )`

**Parameters** *buf* a c\_dirent structure with the following fields:

string[32]	de_name
int	de_type
int	de_links
mode_flags	de_mode
int	de_size
int	de_mtime
int	de_dev
int	de_ident

*fd* The file descriptor to read from.

**Returns**

1	Success.
0	The end of the directory was encountered.
-EINVAL	The arguments were invalid.
-EBADF	<i>fd</i> does not correspond to an open file.
-EACCESS	The file is not open for reading.
-ENOTDIR	<i>fd</i> does not correspond to an open directory.
-EIO	An I/O error occurred.
-EINTR	This operation was interrupted by a signal.

**Example**

```
string[] dir = "/temp"
c_dirent buf
int fd
...
open ( fd, dir, O_RDONLY, 0 )
...
result = readdir( fd, buf )
while result > 0
    print ( buf.de_name, "\n" )
    result = readdir( fd, buf )
end while
```

**Category** File and Device System Management

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## readline

Description	Interactively reads a line of up to <i>maxlen</i> characters from stdin to <i>s</i> and echos to stdout. The line terminator can be either a carriage return or a line feed. Returns the number of characters actually read including the terminator. A value of 0 means EOF.
Syntax	<code>command readline ( var string[] s, int maxlen )</code>
Parameters	<i>s</i> Where to store the read data <i>maxlen</i> The maximum number of characters to read.
Returns	 > 0               Success; the number of words actually read. 0                The end of file was encountered. -EINVAL        The arguments were invalid. -EIO            An I/O error occurred. -EINTR         This operation was interrupted by a signal.
Example	<pre>int maxlen string[32] safe = myfile.txt ... readline ( safe, maxlen)</pre>
Results	Reads "maxlen" characters from the standard input and writes them to "myfile.txt", and to stout.
See Also	reads read
Category	File Input and Output: Unformatted Input

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## reads

Description	Reads a string from a file of at most <i>maxlen</i> characters. This is different from the read command in that a string is used, and the length of the string is updated. The number of characters read is returned, or a negative error code if the read fails.  The reads() command reads characters (8 bits). The read() command reads 4-byte words (32 bits).
Syntax	<code>command reads( int fd, var string[] s, int maxlen )</code>
Parameters	 <i>s</i> Where to store the read data. <i>maxlen</i> The maximum number of characters to read. <i>fd</i> The file descriptor to read from.
Returns	 > 0               Success; the number of words actually read. 0                The end of file was encountered. -EINVAL        The arguments were invalid.

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-EBADF	<i>fd</i> does not correspond to an open file.
-EACCESS	The file is not open for reading.
-ESPIPE	Attempted to read a socket.
-EIO	An I/O error occurred.
-EAGAIN	(nonblocking I/O) No bytes were ready for reading.
-EINTR	This operation was interrupted by a signal.

Example

```
string[20] buf
int fd
open ( fd, "/temp/reads_test", O_RDONLY, 0 )
reads ( fd, buf, 20 )
print ( buf, "\n" )
```

Example

```
string[1] a           ;; reads a string of 1 character
reads ( stdin, a, 1 ) ;; when a key is pressed, the command
returns
print ( a, "\n" )     ;; useful for keyboard input
```

See Also

`read` read words (4 byte units) from a file  
`readsa` read a string from a file and append it to a string

Category

File Input and Output: Unformatted Input

## readsa

Description

Reads a string (of at most *maxlen* characters) from a file, and appends it on the end of string *s*.

Syntax

```
command readsa(int fd, var string[] s, int maxlen)
```

Parameters

<i>s</i>	Where to store the read data.
<i>maxlen</i>	The maximum number of characters to read.
<i>fd</i>	The file descriptor to read from.

Returns

> 0	Success; the number of words actually read.
0	The end of file was encountered.
-EINVAL	The arguments were invalid.
-EBADF	<i>fd</i> does not correspond to an open file.
-EACCESS	The file is not open for reading.
-ESPIPE	Attempted to read a socket.
-EIO	An I/O error occurred.
-EAGAIN	(nonblocking I/O) No bytes were ready for reading.
-EINTR	This operation was interrupted by a signal.

Example

```
string[MAXLEN] results
int fd
int length, check

open(fd, "mydirectory\\result.txt", O_READ, 0)
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	<code>check = readsa(fd, results, length)</code>
Result	"check" is equal to the numbercharacters appended to string "results"
See Also	<code>read</code> read words (4 byte units) from a file <code>reads</code> read a string from a file
Category	File Input and Output: Unformatted Input

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## ready

Description	Moves the arm to the READY position.
Syntax	<code>command ready()</code>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>if (ready() &gt;= 0)     move (a) end if</pre>
RAPL-II	Similar to READY.
See Also	<code>home</code> homes the axes
Category	Calibration Motion

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## rmdir

Description	Deletes an empty directory.
Syntax	<code>command rmdir( var string[] path )</code>
Parameters	<i>path</i> full path name of the directory to delete
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-EINVAL invalid argument</li> <li>-ENOTDIR the path is not a directory</li> <li>-ENOENT a component was not found</li> <li>-EIO an I/O error occurred</li> <li>-EAGAIN temporarily out of resources needed to do this</li> <li>-EBUSY the directory is busy</li> <li>-ENOTEMPTY the directory is not empty</li> </ul>
Example	<pre>string[20] path =/mydirectory ... rmdir(path)</pre>
Result	The directory /mydirectory is deleted
See Also	<code>mknod</code> <code>mkdir</code>
Category	File and Device System Management

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## robot\_abort

Description	Stops current motion and discards the contents of the motion queue.
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`robot_abort()` operates by locating the pid of the server (by a zero-length `rcv()` on the `/dev/robot` socket) and sending the server a SIGABRT. If the `rcv()` fails, then `robot_abort()` opens `/dev/estop`, which forces arm power off.

Syntax	<code>command robot_abort()</code>
Parameter	empty
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre>... robot_abort() . .</pre>
Category	Motion

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## robot\_cfg\_save

Description	<p>Re-writes the “<code>/conf/robot.cfg</code>” file with the current robot configuration information, which includes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. whether or not the robot has a track</li> <li>2. the number of axes on the controller</li> <li>3. the tool transform</li> <li>4. the base offset</li> <li>5. the positive and negative track travel limits</li> <li>6. the gripper type</li> <li>7. the robot units (metric or English)</li> </ol> <p>It must be pointed out that changing one of these parameters in your program does not change the default for when the system is rebooted; you must perform a <code>robot_cfg_save()</code> to make the changes permanent.</p>
Syntax	<code>command robot_cfg_save()</code>
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0 (-ve error code)
Example	<pre>;; “permanently” set a tool transform: tool_set(cloc{0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0}) robot_cfg_save()</pre>
See Also	<code>tool_set()</code> , <code>base_set()</code> , <code>griptype_set()</code> <code>/diag/setup</code> (system shell command)
Category	Motion

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## robot\_error\_get

Description	Returns the current (latest) error state of the robot.
Syntax	<code>command robot_error_get( var int[5] error )</code>
Parameter	<i>error</i> * : an array of up to 5 ints
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
Category	Robot Configuration System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes

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## robot\_flag\_enable

Description	Enables flags.
Syntax	<code>command robot_flag_enable( enable_flag_t flag, int state )</code>
Parameter	<i>flag</i> a variable of the enumerated type <code>enable_flag_t</code> an <i>state</i> an int
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ <i>flag</i> is packed with one of : EFLAG_INVALID 0 EFLAG_TRAPEZOID 1 EFLAG_TRIGGER 2 Failure $< 0$
Category	Robot Configuration

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## robot\_info

Description	Returns robot info in the variables “homed”, and “done” whether the robot is done moving and homed.
Syntax	<code>command robot_info(var int homed, var int done)</code>
Parameter	<i>homed</i> packed with the homed status <i>done</i> packed with the robot motion status
Returns	Success = 0 Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int homed, done  robot_info(homed, done)   if (homed != 0 &amp;&amp; done != 0)     printf("robot is homed and not moving\n")   else     if (done == 0)       printf("robot in motion \n")     end if      if (homed == 0)       printf("robot is not homed\n")     end if   end if</pre>
Result	Reports if the robot is homed and if it is in motion
See Also	<code>server_info</code> <code>robotisfinished</code>
Category	Robot Configuration Motion

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## robot\_mode\_get

Description	Gets the current mode of motion and packs it into a variable of an enum type.
Syntax	<code>command robot_mode_get( var motion_mode_t mmode )</code>

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Parameters	<i>mmode</i> the variable for mode information: a motion_mode_t enumerated type
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ , <i>mmode</i> is packed with one of: MODE_NONE MODE_ONLINE Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int retval motion_mode_t current_mode ... online(ON) retval = robot_mode_get(current_mode) print("retval is ", retval, "\n") if(current_mode == MODE_ONLINE)     print("Current mode is online\n") else     print("Current mode is none\n") end if</pre>
Result	retval is 0 current_mode is online
Category	Robot Configuration

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## robot\_move

Description	Allow the user to move the robot using the pendant
Library	stpv3
Syntax	export command robot_move()
Parameter	None
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>string[10] name = "my_app_23" stpv3:startup stpv3:app_open(name, 0) ...     stpv3:robot_move()          stpv3:app_close() ...     stpv3:app_close() ... </pre>
Category	Pendant

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## robot\_odo

Description	Gets the current value of the robot arm power odometer, which indicates the number of seconds that arm power has been turned "on" for.
Syntax	command robot_odo(var int <i>seconds</i> )
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ ; seconds gets the odometer value. Failure $< 0$ (-ve error code)
Example	<pre>int otime ... robot_odo(otime) printf("The robot arm power has been on for {} seconds.\n", otime)</pre>

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See Also	odometer (system shell command)
Category	Robot Configuration Status

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## robot\_servo\_stat

Description	Returns the status of the F3 servo controllers.
Syntax	<code>command robot_servo_stat( var int <i>netstat</i>, var int[8] <i>axisstat</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>netstat</i> an int <i>axisstat</i> an int
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Category	Robot Configuration

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## robot\_type\_get

Description	Gets the current robot code for the installed kinematics.
Syntax	<code>func int robot_type_get()</code>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ .                      Returns the robot code for the kinematics. Failure $< 0$ Returns error code
Example	<code>robot_code = getmachtype()</code>
See Also	<code>setmachtype</code> sets the robot code for the kinematics
Category	Robot Configuration

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## robotisdone

Description	Returns the current robot done state. The function checks all transform axes for a done state and returns the logical AND of these states. All transform axes must be done for this routine to return TRUE ( $>0$ ). It is different from finish because it does not require point of control and so does not force the robot to stop before continuing. It is also a non-blocking operation. It is best used to synchronize other (non-controlling) processes to robot motion.
Syntax	<code>func int robotisdone()</code>
Returns	Success $> 0$ all axes of arm are done $= 0$ at least one axis is not done Failure $< 0$
Example	<code>done_state = robotisdone()</code>
RAPL-II	FINISH
See Also	<code>robotisfinished</code> <code>finish</code> allows robot motions to catch up to process
Category	Motion System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes

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## robotisfinished

Description	The robotisfinished function uses the same finish service as the finish() command except now a mode flag is passed into the service. The finish_mode_t is a global enum. The function returns 1, if the robot is finished, 0 if not finished and a error code if error occurs.
Syntax	func int robotisfinished()
Parameter	no parameter is required
Returns	Success >= 0      1 robot is finished move 0 robot is not finished move Failure < 0        error code
Example	<pre>;; Use command to synchronize robot motion .define PALLET_NUM 25 teachable ploc[10] pallet teachable ploc safe_pallet int i  for i = 0 to PALLET_NUM     move(pallet[i])     loop         if robotisfinished()             grip_close(50)         else             msleep(250)         end if     end loop     move (safe_pallet)     ... end for</pre>
Result	Program waits until robot is at pallet location before closing gripper
RAPL-II	Similar to FINISH
See Also	robotisdone finish
Category	Status

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## robotishomed

Description	Returns the current robot home state. This function checks all transform axes for a home state and returns the logical AND of these states. All transform axes must be homed for this routine to return TRUE (>0)
Syntax	func int robotishomed()
Returns	Success > 0 all axes of arm are homed = 0 at least one axis is not homed Failure < 0
Example	<pre>home_state = robotishomed() if (home_state)     ::: robot is homed continue</pre>

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else
    ;;home the robot
    home(i,2,3,4,5,6)
end if

```

See Also	calibrate	calibrates the robot
	home	homes the robot
Category	Home	

## robotislistening

Description	A function to determine if the robot server is responding to queries. The function returns TRUE if the robot responds to the arm power query. If no response, it returns FALSE.	
Syntax	<pre> func int robotislistening() </pre>	
Returns	Success >= 0	TRUE or FALSE
	Failure < 0	Does not return a negative error code.
Example	<pre> if robotislistening()     printf("Robot is ready begin")     ;; program here else     printf("Robot is not listening") end if </pre>	
See Also	robotisfinished robotishomed	
Category	Robot Configuration Status	

## robotispowered

Description	Returns the current state of the robot arm power. Useful for checking arm power status before proceeding to further program execution.	
Syntax	<pre> func int robotispowered() </pre>	
Returns	Success	
	> 0	arm power is ON
	= 0	arm power is OFF
	Failure < 0	
Example	<pre> if robotispowered() == 0     print "Waiting for arm power.\nTurn on arm power.\n"     do         msleep 1000         until robotispowered() &gt; 0     end if end if </pre>	
RAPL-II	Similar to ONPOWER.	
Category	Status	

## roll

Alias	jog_t ...
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alias	same as
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roll	jog_t(TOOL_ROLL, ... )
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Description In the tool frame of reference, rotates around the approach/depart axis, by the specified number of degrees.

motion	axis		
	common name	F3 coordinate system	A465/A255 coordinate system
roll	approach/depart	Z	X

This command, roll(), is joint-interpolated. The end position is determined and the tool travels to it as a result of various joint motions. The start point and end point for the tool centre point are the same (no change in distance along the axis or angle between the axis and the tool), but the start position and end position of the tool are different by the amount of rotation.

For cartesian-interpolated (straight line) motion, see rolls().

Syntax `command roll( float distance )`

Parameter *distance* the amount of rotation in degrees: a float

Returns Success = 0  
Failure < 0

Example `roll(11.25)`  
`roll(-45)`

Application Shell Same as roll

RAPL-II No equivalent. In RAPL-II, ROLL performed a different motion. See xrot.

See Also `rolls` moves around the tool approach/depart axis,  
but in straight line motion  
`pitch` moves around the tool orientation axis  
`yaw` moves around the tool normal axis

Category Motion

## rolls

Alias `jog_ts ...`

alias	same as
rolls	jog_ts(TOOL_ROLL, ... )

Description In the tool frame of reference, rotates around the approach/depart axis, by the specified number of degrees.

motion	axis		
	common name	F3 coordinate system	A465/A255 coordinate system
roll	approach/depart	Z	X

This command, rolls(), is cartesian-interpolated (straight-line) motion. The tool centre point stays on the axis, in the same place, while the tool rotates around the axis.

For joint-interpolated motion, see roll().

Syntax `command rolls( float distance )`

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Parameter	<i>distance</i> the amount of rotation in degrees: a float
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0
Example	<code>rolls(45)</code> <code>rolls(-10.5)</code>
Application Shell	Same as <code>rolls</code> .
RAPL-II	No equivalent. In RAPL-II, ROLL performed a different motion. See <code>xrots</code> .
See Also	<code>roll</code> moves around the tool approach/depart axis, but joint-interpolated <code>pitchs</code> moves around the tool orientation axis in straight line motion <code>yaws</code> moves around the tool normal axis in straight line motion
Category	Motion

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## rotacc\_get

Description	Returns the value of the maximum rotational acceleration parameter. This parameter is used to regulate rotational accelerations when performing straight-line motions in online mode and when using the teach pendant. Units are in degrees/second/second.
Syntax	<code>command rotacc_get(var float rotaccel)</code>
Parameter	<code>rotaccel</code> a float into which the current rotational acceleration value is placed
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
Example	<code>float rotaccel</code> <code>...</code> <code>rotacc_get(rotaccel)</code> <code>printf("Max. rotational accel is set to {} deg/sec/sec", rotaccel)</code>
See Also	<code>rotacc_set</code> , <code>rotspd_set</code> , <code>rotspd_get</code>
Category	Robot Configuration

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## rotacc\_set

Description	Sets the value of the maximum rotational acceleration parameter. This parameter is used to regulate rotational accelerations when performing straight-line motions in online mode and when using the teach pendant. It is not possible to set the value of this parameter higher than the default value, which is robot dependent. Units are in degrees/second / second.
Syntax	<code>command rotacc_set( var float rotacc )</code>
Parameters	<code>rotacc</code> a float which carries the new rotational acceleration value
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
Example	<code>float rotacc</code> <code>if nextpart == KRUMHORN</code> <code>rotacc = 20</code> <code>rotacc_set(rotspeed)</code> <code>end if</code>
See Also	<code>rotacc_get</code> , <code>rotspd_set</code> , <code>rotspd_get</code>
Category	Robot Configuration

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**rotspd\_get**

Description	Retrieves the current value of the maximum rotational speed parameter. This parameter is used to regulate rotational velocities when performing straight-line motions in online mode and when using the teach pendant. Units are in degrees/second.
Syntax	<code>command rotspd_get( var float <i>rotspeed</i> )</code>
Parameter	<b><i>rotspeed</i></b> a float into which the rotational speed value is placed
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>float rotspeed, dispensing_limit ...  dispensing_limit = 155 rotspd_get(rotspeed) if rotspeed &gt; dispensing_limit     rotspd_set(dispensing_limit) end if ...</pre>
See Also	rotspd_set, rotacc_set, rotacc_get
Category	Robot Configuration

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**rotspd\_set**

Description	Sets the value of the maximum rotational speed parameter. This parameter is used to regulate rotational velocities when performing straight-line motions in online mode and when using the teach pendant. It is not possible to set the value of this parameter higher than the default value, which is robot dependent. Units are in degrees/second.
Syntax	<code>command rotspd_set( var float <i>rotspeed</i> )</code>
Parameters	<b><i>rotspeed</i></b> a float which carries the new rotational speed value
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>float rotspeed if nextpart == DASHBOARD     rotspeed = 100     rotspd_set(rotspeed) end if</pre>
See Also	rotspd_get, rotacc_set, rotacc_get
Category	Robot Configuration

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**seek**

Description	Provides a method to move through a file arbitrarily rather than sequentially (see read() and write().) The position is moved to a place in the file specified by <i>offset</i> from the base given in <i>whence</i> . Subsequent reading and writing begin at this new position.
Syntax	<code>command seek( int <i>fd</i>, int <i>offset</i>, seek_base <i>whence</i> )</code>

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Parameters	<i>fd</i> identifies the file <i>whence</i> can be one of SEEK_SET = 0     move from beginning of file SEEK_CUR = 1     move from current position SEEK_END = 2     move from end of file offset   offset position from the base specified by <i>whence</i>
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0 -EINVAL       the arguments were invalid (ie., -ve <i>fd</i> ), or this operation is not legal on this device. -EBADF        the file descriptor isn't open -ESPIPE       can't seek on a pipe or socket
Example	<pre>int fd string[] buffer = "seek test" ... open ( fd, "filename", O_RDWR, 0 ) ;; Open the file write ( fd, buffer, 9 )           ;; Write to the file seek ( fd, 0, SEEK_SET )         ;; Rewind the file</pre>
See Also	read       read from a file write     write to a file
Category	File Input and Output: Unformatted Input

## select\_menu

Description	<p>Displays the three lines <i>s1</i>, <i>s2</i> and <i>s3</i> on the pendant screen. Show key labels <i>k1</i> to <i>k4</i> and then wait for the user to select a function key. The integer number of the key selected is returned.</p> <p>Note that if any of the function key labels (<i>k1</i> - <i>k4</i>) are null strings then the corresponding key will NOT be enabled. The <i>kn</i> strings are printed literally; but they must be limited by the programmer to 4 characters.</p>
Syntax	<pre>stpv3:func int select_menu(var string[] s1, var string[] s2, var string[] s3,\ var string[] k1, var string[] k2, var string[] k3, var string[] k4)</pre>
Parameters	<i>s1</i> string displayed in the top line of the pendant <i>s2</i> string displayed in the second line of the pendant <i>s3</i> string displayed in the third line of the pendant <i>k1</i> Function key 1 label (max 4 characters) <i>k2</i> Function key 2 label (max 4 characters) <i>k3</i> Function key 3 label (max 4 characters) <i>k4</i> Function key 4 label (max 4 characters)
Returns	Success >= 0 Returns the integer number of the Function key selected, 0 if the user exits the pendant menu Failure < 0
Example	<pre>int ctrl = 0 ... stpv3:startup() ... ctrl=stpv3:select_menu("Welcome", "Just Call me Teach", "Do you want to", \ "Cont","Exit","",") if ctrl == 1     ;;continue ... end if if ctrl == 2     ;;exit ... </pre>

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	end if
	...
Category	Pendant

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### sem\_acquire

Description	Attempts to acquire a semaphore specified by <i>key</i> . If the semaphore is granted the command returns successful, otherwise a negative error code is returned. A timeout can be specified which causes the function to wait to acquire the semaphore until <i>timeout</i> has been reached. Timeout is in milliseconds.
Syntax	command sem_acquire( int <i>key</i> , int <i>timeout</i> )
Parameter	<i>key</i> an int <i>timeout</i> an int time in milliseconds
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0 Returns negative error code -EOK success -EAGAIN the system is out of semaphore slots, or TM_NOWAIT was specified and we did not acquire the semaphore right away. -ETIMEOUT timed out -EINTR the operation was interrupted by a signal.
Example	<pre>int result, key = 1 int timeout = 50 ... result = sem_acquire( key, timeout ) if result == EOK     ;; enter critical section     sem_release( key, timeout ) end if</pre>
Category	System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes

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### sem\_release

Description	Releases the semaphore specified by <i>key</i> . If the semaphore can be successfully released, the command returns successful, otherwise the command returns an error code. If the <i>timeout</i> is specified, the command will keep attempting to release the semaphore until <i>timeout</i> value is reached.  Trying to release a semaphore that has not be acquired will result in the command attempting to acquire it first, and then release it.
Syntax	command sem_release( int <i>key</i> , int <i>timeout</i> )
Parameter	<i>key</i> an int <i>timeout</i> an int time in milliseconds
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0 Returns negative error code. -EOK success -EAGAIN the system is out of semaphore slots, or TM_NOWAIT was specified and we did not acquire the semaphore right away. -ETIMEOUT timed out -EINTR the operation was interrupted by a signal.
Example	<pre>int result, key = 1 int timeout = 50 ... result = sem_acquire( key, timeout ) if result == EOK     ;; enter critical section</pre>

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Category	<pre>sem_release( key, timeout ) end if</pre> <hr/> System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes
<b>sem_test</b>	
Description	Tests the semaphore specified by <i>key</i> .
Syntax	command <code>sem_test( int <i>key</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>key</i> an int specifies the semaphore
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Returns 1 if the semaphore is set, 2 if it is set and is owned by the calling process, and 0 if it is clear. Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int result, key = 1 int timeout = 50 ... loop     result = sem_test( key )     if result == EOK         break     end if end loop result = sem_acquire( key, timeout ) if result == EOK     ;; enter critical section     sem_release( key, timeout ) end if</pre>
Category	<hr/> System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes <hr/>

**send**

Description	<p>Sends <i>nwords</i> words into the socket described by <i>d</i>. The number of words actually written is returned. If <i>timeout</i> is not TM_FOREVER, send will only attempt to write words for <i>timeout</i> milliseconds. If <i>pid</i> is not 0, the message is sent to a client process specified by <i>pid</i>. (This must be the server). Otherwise, the sender is the client.</p> <p>If a server tries to send to a client with a timeout of TM_NOWAIT and the client is non-existent, the error code -ENOCLIENT is returned.</p> <p>send() is similar to write() which is used for all other (non-socket) entities.</p>
Syntax	command <code>send(int <i>d</i>, void @buf, int <i>nwords</i>, int <i>timeout</i>, int <i>pid</i>)</code>
Parameters	<i>d</i> an int -specifies the socket <i>nwords</i> an int - number of words <i>pid</i> an int- specifies the process (must be server or 0)
	TM_NOWAIT TM_FOREVER
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ the number of words written Failure $< 0$ -EINVAL the arguments were invalid (ie., -ve fd) -EBADF the file descriptor isn't open -ENOTSOCK the file was not a socket

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-EAGAIN      too large a write; also returned on TM\_NOWAIT sends  
that immediately time out.  
-ETIMEOUT    the timeout expired  
-EINTR        the operation was interrupted by a signal

Client only:

-ENOSERV      there is no server

Server only:

-EBUSY        there is already a server waiting to send

-ENOCLIENT   there is no client that fits the send()

Example

```
int sock_fd
string[] mbuf = "1 client"
...
;; Open a socket for a client
open ( sock_fd, "/mydev", O_CLIENT, 0 )

;; Send Message to the socket.
send (sock_fd, &mbuf, sizeof(mbuf), TM_FOREVER, 0)
```

See Also

rcv           receives words from a socket

Category

Device Input and Output

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## server\_get

Description

Used with multi-robot systems.

Gets the name of the current server socket device, the socket/robot server that the library is communicating with.

Syntax

```
command server_get( var string[] currserver )
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Parameter

*currserver*   string a variable for the name of the current server: a variable length string

Returns

Success = 0      EOK if successful  
                  name of current server packed in currserver

Failure < 0

-EIO    server is not connected

Example

```
;; An inefficient example program to show function of
;; server_get, server_info, server_set commands.
;; In the end prints the Machine type and Product code data
;; for the machine talking to the server "serve"...

string[32] cur_serve, serve
int pcode, mach_type, tran_ax, act_ax, mach_ax, power
int t
...
serve = "robot1"
t= server_get(cur_serve)
  if (t >= 0 && cur_serve == serve)
    server_info(mach_type, pcode, mach_ax, \
               tran_ax, act_ax, power )
    printf("Robot is {} /n Product Code is {} /n", mach_type,
pcode)
  else
    server_set(serve)
    server_info( mach_type, pcode, mach_ax, \
               tran_ax, act_ax, power )
    printf("Robot is {} /n Product Code is {} /n", mach_type, pcode)
  end if
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See Also	server_info server_protocol server_version
Category	File and Device System Management Robot Configuration

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## server\_info

Description	Similar to robot_info. Obtains: machine type, product code, machine axes, transform axes, actual axes, arm power.
Syntax	<pre>global command server_info( var int <i>mtype</i>, var int <i>pcode</i>,     \         var int <i>axm</i>, var int <i>axt</i>, var int <i>axa</i>,      \         var int <i>power</i> )</pre>
Parameter	<p><i>mtype</i>     a string for machine type data</p> <p><i>pcode</i>     a string for product code data</p> <p><i>axm</i>       an int for machine axis data</p> <p><i>axt</i>       an int for transform axis data</p> <p><i>axa</i>       an int for actual axis data</p> <p><i>power</i>     an int for the arm power status</p>
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math>     Variables are packed with the server info</p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p>
Example	<pre>;; An inefficient example program to show function of ;; server_get, server_info, server_set commands. ;; In the end prints the Machine type and Product code data ;; for the machine talking to the server "serve"...  string[32] cur_serve, serve int pcode, mach_type, tran_ax, act_ax, mach_ax, power int t ... serve = "robot1" t= server_get(cur_serve) if (t &gt;= 0 &amp;&amp; cur_serve == serve)     server_info(mach_type, pcode, mach_ax, \         tran_ax, act_ax, power )     printf("Robot is {}/\n Product Code is {}/\n", mach_type, pcode) else     server_set(serve)     server_info( mach_type, pcode, mach_ax, \         tran_ax, act_ax, power )     printf("Robot is {}/\n Product Code is {}/\n", mach_type, pcode) end if</pre>
See Also	server_get server_set
Category	File and Device System Management Robot Configuration

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## server\_protocol

Description	Server_protocol function returns the protocol designator from the robot server.
Syntax	func int server_protocol()

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Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$	Returns integer. Returns error descriptor if the command fails. Refer to error handling section for details.
See Also	<code>server_version</code>	Returns the server version.
Category	File and Device System Management Robot Configuration	

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## server\_set

Description	<p>Used with multi-robot systems.</p> <p>Sets the robot server socket connection in the library to the specified new server value, changing the socket/robot server that the library is communicating with. Any existing socket connection is closed and the new socket opened.</p> <p>A parameter of DEFAULT sets the socket connection back to <code>/dev/robot</code>.</p> <p>If the command fails to open the new socket, any subsequent attempts to access the robot server fail with an <code>-EIO</code>.</p>	
Syntax	<code>command server_set( var string[] newserver )</code>	
Parameter	<p><i>newserver</i> the name of the new server: a variable length string</p> <p>[path] the path of any valid socket</p> <p>DEFAULT the default socket, <code>/dev/robot</code></p>	
Returns	<p>Success = 0</p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p> <p>-EIO failed to open new socket</p>	
Category	File and Device System Management Robot Configuration	

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## server\_version

Description	The <code>server_version</code> function returns an integer which specifies the robot server version.	
Syntax	<code>func int server_version()</code>	
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$	Returns integer which specifies the version. Returns negative error code if command fails.
See Also	<code>server_protocol</code>	Returns the protocol designator from the server.
Category	File and Device System Management Robot Configuration	

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## setenv

Description	Creates / redefines an environment variable's value. (See the section on <code>environ()</code> for more explanation.) (C500C only)	
Syntax	<code>command setenv(string[] key, string[] value, int rewrite)</code>	
Parameters	<p>There are three required parameters:</p> <p><i>key</i> The key to define / change. (This is the portion on the</p>	

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	left hand side of the “=” symbol in the environment string.)
<i>value</i>	The value to set the right hand side of the “=” in the environment string to.
<i>rewrite</i>	If False (0), do not modify an existing environment string; only create a new one if one does not yet exist. If True (1), rewrite the environment string if it already exists.
Returns	Success: returns 0. Not rewriting an existing string (rewrite == 0) is also considered success. Failure: returns -1
Example	<pre>;; Define a new variable called "TestMode", whose value is "yes" setenv("TestMode", "yes", True)</pre>
See Also	environ(), getenv(), unsetenv()
Category	Environment Variables

## setprio

Description	<p>Sets the priority of a process by adjusting the priority by an increment, <i>delta</i>. Also, gets the current priority of a process.</p> <p>There are three priority levels: high (3), normal (2), and low(1). The normal level is the usual priority level. During processing, the system alternates among processes. A process at a higher level can exclude a process at a lower level. Improper use of setprio() could starve other processes including the robot server. The setprio() command is useful, for example, to do independent calculations at a low priority without slowing down processing for robot activity, or to respond immediately to a GPIO input by adjusting a process to a higher priority. The system can raise or lower a priority across the entire range. A user can lower a process below normal and raise it back to normal.</p> <p>To change the priority of the current process, pid is 0 (zero).</p> <p>To get the current priority level, use 0 (zero) for the increment, <i>delta</i>. A child process is created with whatever priority level the parent had.</p> <p>Returns the new priority as an absolute integer (not an increment).</p>	
Syntax	<pre>func int setprio( int pid, int delta )</pre>	
Parameter	<i>pid</i>	the process id number (0 is current process)
	<i>delta</i>	amount of adjustment of priority
Returns	<p>Success &gt; 0</p> <p>The new priority: an absolute int.</p> <p>1 is PR_LOW</p> <p>2 is PR_NORM</p> <p>3 is PR_HIGH</p> <p>Failure &lt; 0</p> <p>-EINVAL the arguments were not valid</p> <p>-EPERM a non-privileged process can only change its OWN priority</p>	
Example	<pre>setprio( 26, 0) ;; get process 26 priority setprio( 26,-1) ;; set process 26 priority down 1 level setprio( 0,-1) ;; set current process priority down 1 level setprio( 26,+1) ;; set process 26 priority up 1 level ( 0,+1) ;; set current process up 1 level</pre>	



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	<pre> shift_t( place, 0.0, displace) ... displace = displace + 2.5 shift_t( place, 0.0, displace) </pre>	
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$	
Application Shell	Same as tshift	
See Also	shift_w                shifts a location in the world frame of reference tool_set                sets a tool transform base_set               sets a base offset	
Category	Location: Data Manipulation	

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## shift\_w

Description	<p>In the world frame of reference, alters the cartesian coordinates of a location. A precision location cannot be changed with this command. There are two possible formats: using a cloc type or using individual displacements. In both formats, the first argument is the location to be shifted.</p> <p>If a cloc type is used, the displacement values are earlier stored in a cloc which is used as a parameter in shift_w.</p> <p>If individual displacements are used, a displacement for each axis is listed. From 1 to 6 displacements can be listed, but only in the order X, Y, Z, X-rotation, Y-rotation, Z-rotation. A displacement of 0.0 value can be used as a placeholder in the list.</p>
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### cloc type

Syntax	command shift_w( var gloc location, cloc displacement_amount )
Parameter	<i>location</i> the location to be shifted: a cloc <i>displacement_amount</i> the amounts of the shift, in current units: a cloc
Example	<pre> teachable cloc place cloc difference_a = {0.0, 0.0, 20.0, 0.0, 45.0, 0.0} ... shift_w( place, difference_a) </pre>
Example	<pre> teachable cloc place cloc difference_b float[6] b = {0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0} ... difference_b = {b[0], b[1], b[2], b[3], b[4], b[5]} shift_w( place, difference_b) ... b[2] = b[2] + 2.5 difference_b = {b[0], b[1], b[2], b[3], b[4], b[5]} shift_w( place, difference_b) </pre>

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### displacements

Syntax	<pre> command shift_w( var gloc location, float x, [float y, [float z, \ \ [ float z-rot, [float y-rot, [float x-rot, \ [ float e1, [float e2, ] ] ] ] ] ] ] ) </pre>
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Parameter	<i>location</i>	the location to be shifted: a cloc
	<i>x</i>	the displacement along the X axis, in current units: a float
Parameter (Optional)	<i>y</i>	the displacement along the Y axis, in current units: a float
	<i>z</i>	the displacement along the Z axis, in current units: a float
	<i>z-rot</i>	the displacement around the Z axis, in degrees: a float
	<i>y-rot</i>	the displacement around the Y axis, in degrees: a float
	<i>x-rot</i>	the displacement around the X axis, in degrees: a float
	<i>e1</i>	the displacement of the first extra axis: a float
	<i>e2</i>	the displacement of the second extra axis: a float
Example	<pre>teachable  cloc  place  ;; 6 DOF arm with track and carousel ...          ;; in millimetres shift_w( place, 0.0, 300.0, 100.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1500.0) ... shift_w( place, 0.0, -300.0, -100.0)</pre>	
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0	
Application Shell	Same as wshift	
RAPL-II	Same as SHIFT and SHIFTA	
See Also	<i>shift_t</i> shifts a location in the tool frame of reference <i>base_set</i> sets a base offset <i>tool_set</i> sets a tool transform	
Category	Location: Data Manipulation	

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## shutdown

Description	Shuts down the pendant subsystem.  This command differs from <code>pendant_close()</code> which closes the pendant in preparation for shutting down a program or the controller.
Library	<code>stpv3</code>
Syntax	<code>export command shutdown()</code>
Parameter	None
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre>stpv3:startup() ;... stpv3:shutdown()</pre>
RAPL-II	Same as PENDANT OFF
See Also	<code>pendant_close</code>
Category	Pendant

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## sig\_arm\_set

Description	Set the signal which will be issued to the controlling process in the event of an arm state change. Signals are listed in the Appendices
Syntax	<code>command sig_arm_set( int signal )</code>

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Parameter	<i>signal</i> an int it can be any of the unreserved signals except for SIGKILL which cannot be masked
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ EOK =0 Failure $< 0$ error descriptor
Example	<pre> signal_arm = 13 ... ctrl=sig_arm_set(signal_arm) </pre>
Result	signal 13 is used to notify the process of change in arm power status
Category	Signals

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## sig\_mask\_set

Description	Sets the current process's signal mask, and returns the old one. If the bit corresponding to a given signal is 1, then that signal is ignored. All signals except SIGKILL are maskable. Signals are listed in the Appendices
Syntax	func int sig_mask_set( int mask )
Parameter	<i>mask</i> an int defines the signal mask
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre> int mask, old_mask ... old_mask = sig_mask_set(-1) mask = sigmask(SIGHUP)   old_mask sig_mask_set(mask) ... old_mask = sig_mask_set(-1) mask = old_mask &amp; ~ (sigmask(SIGHUP)   sigmask(SIGINT)) sig_mask_set(mask) </pre>
See Also	sigarm_set Set the signal for change in arm power status
Category	Signals

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## sigfifo

Description	Sends the signal <i>sig</i> to all of the readers at the other end of the fifo <i>fd</i> . The different types of signals are found in the Appendix.
Syntax	command sigfifo( int fd, signal_code sig )
Parameters	<i>fd</i> an int identifies the fifo <i>sig</i> an enumerated type specifying the signal. The integer corresponding to the signal is listed in the Appendices.
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre> signal_code sig = 13 ;; SIG_13 to notify impending closure int fd, check string[32] thisfifo = "this_device.txt" open(fd, thisfifo, O_RDWR   O_CREAT, M_READ   M_WRITE)  ;;Prepare to close fd check = sigfifo(fd, sig) </pre>

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See Also	signal sigmask sigsend
Category	Signals Device Inputs and Outputs

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## sigmask

Description	Returns the correct mask for the signal <i>sig</i> , which is used in conjunction with <i>sig_mask_set</i> .
Syntax	<code>func int sigmask( signal_code sig )</code>
Parameter	<i>sig</i> signal_code enumerated type specifies the signal (see Appendix)
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int mask, old_mask ... old_mask = sigsetmask(-1) mask = sigmask(SIGHUP)   old_mask sigsetmask(mask) ... old_mask = sigsetmask(-1) mask = old_mask &amp; ~ (sigmask(SIGHUP)   sigmask(SIGINT)) sigsetmask(mask)</pre>
See Also	signal sigmask sigfifo
Category	Signals

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## signal

Description	Sets an action that is to be performed whenever the current process receives signal <i>sig</i> . <i>sigsub</i> is the address of a subroutine which takes 1 integer parameter, (signal number <i>sig</i> ). If <i>oldsigsub</i> is not NULL, then <i>oldsigsub@</i> is set to the previous handler's routine. If <i>sigsub</i> is NULL, then the default action is given to the signal.
Syntax	<code>command signal( signal_code sig, void@ sigsub, void@@ oldsigsub )</code>
Returns	Success $\geq$ <code>_EOK</code> Failure $<$ <code>-EINVAL</code> bad signal code
Example	<pre>sub on_HUP( int sig )     print ("Got SIGHUP!\n") end sub  main     signal( SIGHUP, on_HUP, NULL ) end main</pre>
Category	Signals

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## sigsend

Description	Sends the signal <i>sig</i> to the process specified in <i>pid</i> . Valid signals are listed in the Appendix.
Syntax	<code>command sigsend( int <i>pid</i>, signal_code <i>sig</i> )</code>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int pid ... pid = split() ... if (... &amp;&amp; pid!=0)     sigsend (pid, SIGHUP)    ;; Stop the child process end if</pre>
Category	Signals System Process Control: Operating System Management

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## sin

Description	Calculates the sine of an angle. Takes an argument in degrees.
Syntax	<code>func float sin( float <i>x</i> )</code>
Parameters	<i>x</i> a float angle in degrees
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ . The sine of the argument. Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>float x = 25.0                      ;; value is 25.0 degrees float y y = sin( x )</pre>
Result	<i>y</i> is 0.422618
RAPL-II	SIN
See Also	cos            calculates the cosine tan            calculates the tangent asin           calculates the arc sine
Category	Math

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## size\_to\_bytes

Description	Converts the output of <code>sizeof()</code> (which is the number of RAPL-3 words occupied by a data structure) to the corresponding number of bytes. It is typically used with binary data files and <code>seek()</code> (which expects a byte offset) for seeking to a specified record in the file.
Syntax	<code>func int size_to_bytes(int <i>words</i>)</code>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$ (-ve error code)

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Example	<pre>;; if fd is an open data file full if mystruct records, ;; this seeks to the third record in the file: seek(fd, size_to_bytes(2 * sizeof(mystruct)), SEEK_SET)</pre>
See Also	<code>seek()</code> , <code>sizeof()</code>
Categories	File Input and Output,

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## sizeof

Description	The <code>sizeof()</code> operation is built in to the RAPL-3 compiler, and returns the size, in RAPL-3 words, of its argument. It differs from ordinary functions in that it does not require a <i>value</i> as its argument; instead it can accept any variable or any type.
Syntax	<code>sizeof(any data object or type)</code>
Returns	the number of words occupied by the data object, or the number of words a data object of the specified type would occupy.
Example	<pre>if we have:     int x     int[10] y     ploc@ pp     string[10] s     string[100]@ sp then:     sizeof(int)           returns 1     sizeof(float)         returns 1     sizeof(ploc)          returns 9     sizeof(int[20])       returns 20     sizeof(float[2,5])    returns 10     sizeof(string[10])    returns 4     sizeof(string[100])   returns 26     sizeof(x)             returns 1     sizeof(pp)            returns 1     sizeof(pp@)           returns 9     sizeof(y)             returns 10     sizeof(y[x])          returns 1     sizeof(s)             returns 4     sizeof(sp@)           returns 26</pre>
See Also	<code>sizeof_str()</code>
Category	File Input and Output String Manipulation

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## snprint

Description	Writes the specified data into the string <i>buf</i> , up to a maximum of <i>maxlen</i> characters. Two types of arguments can be given in the variable argument list: constants and variables. The constants are printed exactly as they are given. The variable's value is what is copied to the file descriptor. The method used in printing is to print the arguments in the exact order that they were given.
Syntax	<code>command snprint ( var string[] buf, int maxlen,... )</code>
Parameters	<i>buf</i> a string - the write destination <i>maxlen</i> an int - the maximum number of characters written
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$

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Example	<pre>.define MAXLEN 128 int speed, check  string[MAXLEN] store  check = speed_get(speed) snprint(store, MAXLEN, "Current speed is: ", speed) printf("{128}\n", store)</pre>
Result	Current speed is: "speed"
RAPL-II	ENCODE
See Also	snprintf
Category	File Input and Output: Unformatted Output

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## snprintf

string **number** **print** formatted

Description	<p>Converts and writes output into the string <i>buf</i> to a maximum length of <i>maxlen</i> under the control of a specified format <i>fmt</i>.</p> <p>Format specifications are detailed in the Formatted Output section of File and Device Input and Output</p>
Syntax	<pre>command  snprintf( var string[] buf, int maxlen, var string[] fmt, ... )</pre>
Parameters	<p><i>buf</i>            a string - the write destination</p> <p><i>maxlen</i>        an int - the maximum number of characters written</p>
Returns	<p>Success &gt;= 0</p> <p>Failure &lt; 0</p>
Example	<pre>.define MAXLEN 128 int speed, check  string[MAXLEN] store  check = speed_get(speed) snprintf(store, MAXLEN, "Current speed is:{4} m/s", speed) printf("{128}\n", store)</pre>
Result	Current speed is: "speed" m/s
RAPL II	ENCODE
See Also	snprint
Category	File Input and Output: Formatted Output

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## socketpair

Description	<p>Gets a pair of file descriptors for a private client and server socket. <i>client_fd</i> is set to the file descriptor opened as O_CLIENT, and <i>server_fd</i> is set to the file descriptor opened as O_SERVER.</p>
Syntax	<pre>command  socketpair( var int client_fd, var int server_fd )</pre>
Parameters	<p><i>client_fd</i>    an int -packed with the client file descriptor</p> <p><i>server_fd</i>    an int- packed with the server file descriptor</p>

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Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Returns 0. Failure $< 0$ -EINVAL              the arguments were invalid -EAGAIN              there are no free fd's or related resources.
Example	<pre>int client, server ... socketpair( client, server )</pre>
See Also	open      opens a device
Category	Device Input and Output System Process Control: Operating System Management

## speed

Alias of

**speed\_set**

alias	same as
speed(...)	speed_set(...)

Description	Sets or gets the speed of arm motions. Takes an integer value. The value is the percentage (from 1 to 100) of full speed.  A value of -1 returns the current speed without changing it.
Example	<pre>speed(25)    ;; sets the speed to 25%</pre>
Example	<pre>speed_now = speed_get()    ;; gets the current speed if (speed_now &gt; 50)     speed(50) end if</pre>
RAPL-II	Similar to SPEED.
See Also	speed_set      sets the current speed speed_get      gets the current speed (can pass variable by reference)
Category	Motion

## speed\_get

Description	Gets the current speed setting. Can be used in two ways.  First, a parameter can be passed by reference. If a variable is used in the command call, the command packs the value of the current speed in the variable.  Second, the return value can be used. The command returns the value of the current speed. In the command call, use -1 instead of a variable.
Syntax	<pre>command speed_get(var int <i>currspeed</i> )</pre>
Parameter	<i>currspeed</i> :      the variable to store the current speed setting: an int
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ <i>currspeed</i> has the value of the current speed returns the current speed value Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int cspeed ... speed_get( cspeed )    ;; parameter passed by reference</pre>

	<pre> ... if (cspeed &gt; 50)     speed_set(50) end if </pre>
Example	<pre> int cspeed ... cspeed = speed_get( -1 )  ;; assign the return value </pre>
RAPL-II	Similar to SPEED.
See Also	<code>speed_set</code> sets the speed
Category	Motion

## speed\_set

Alias

**speed**

alias	same as
<code>speed(...)</code>	<code>speed_set(...)</code>

Description	Sets the speed for all subsequent motions. Takes an integer value. The value is the percentage (from 1 to 100) of full speed.
Syntax	command <code>speed_set( int <i>newspeed</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>newspeed</i> the new speed setting: an int
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ the speed is set to <i>newspeed</i> Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre> speed_set(10) ... speed_set(100) </pre>
RAPL-II	Similar to SPEED.
See Also	<code>speed_get</code> gets the current speed setting
Category	Motion

## split

Description	<p>Creates a duplicate child process of the current process. The parent process (the one that issued the split) receives the child's process id, and the child process receives 0.</p> <p>The parent and child share all resources: text, data, and heap (entities such as open files, memory allocated at run time, outer-frame variables) except that the parent and child have separate stacks (local variables are not shared).</p>
Syntax	func int <code>split()</code>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ . The child gets returned value 0. The parent gets the (positive) child process id. Failure $< 0$ . No child process generated. Split returns: -EAGAIN if the process table is full or the memory allocation tables are full -ENOMEM if there is not enough memory for the new process's stack
Example	<pre> int pid ... pid = split() if pid == 0 then </pre>

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        ;; any code for the child process to perform
else
        ;; any code for the parent process to perform
end if
Example
int enable = 0
main
    string[80] cmd
    int pid
    int counter
    int result
...
    pid = split()
...
    if pid == 0 then
        ;; Child
        printf("I am the child, and my pid is {}. \
            My parent is {}.\n", getpid(), getppid())
        loop ;; forever
            result = msleep(1000)
            if enable == 1 then
                printf("Count = {}.\n\n", counter)
                counter = counter + 1
            end if
        end loop
    else
        ;; Parent
        printf("I am the parent, and my pid is {}. \
            My child is {}.\n", getpid(), pid)
        msleep(500) ;; Give the child time to speak
        loop ;; forever
            printf("start, stop, terminate, or quit> ")
            readline(cmd,80)
            if cmd == "start" then
                enable = 1
            elseif cmd == "stop" then
                enable = 0
            elseif cmd == "terminate" then
                ;; Terminate child
                sigsend(pid, SIGHUP)
                pid = 0
            elseif cmd == "quit" then
                break
            else
                printf("I don't understand!")
            end if
        end loop
        ;; Terminate child
        if pid != 0 then
            sigsend(pid, SIGHUP)
        end if
    end if
end main

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Category

System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes

## sqrt

Description

Calculates the square root of a float. Takes a positive argument.

Syntax

func float sqrt( float x )

Parameter

x a float

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Returns	Success $\geq 0$ . The square root of the argument. Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>float x = 50.0 float y y = sqrt( x )</pre>
Result	7.071068
RAPL-II	SQRT
See Also	<b>pow</b> calculates a value raised to a power
Category	<b>Math</b>

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## srand

Description	A subroutine for setting the seed value for the random number generating functions <b>rand</b> and <b>rand_in</b> .
Syntax	<pre>sub srand(int seed)</pre>
Parameters	<b>seed</b> an int - the seed value for random number generation
Example	<pre>;;Set the seed value and generate an array of 5 random numbers. ;; int r =5 int seed = 13 int[10] random int j ... srand(int seed)            ;; sets the seed value rand_next = 13 ;;generate a 5 element array of random numbers for j = 1 to r     random[j-1] = rand() end for</pre>
Result	A 5 element array of random number integers
See Also	<b>rand_in</b> generates random numbers within a specified range <b>rand</b> generates a random number
Category	<b>Math</b>

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## stance\_get

Description	Gets the current requested or physical stance of the arm. A stance is a specific configuration of one or more joints.
Syntax	<pre>command stance_get( stance_type_t type, var shoulder_t reach, /                     var elbow_t elbow, var wrist_t wrist )</pre>
Parameters	<p><b>type</b>                      <i>enumerated type stance_type_t</i></p> <p>          <b>STANCE_REQUESTED</b>    requested stance, not necessarily the physical stance</p> <p>          <b>STANCE_PHYSICAL</b>     current actual stance</p> <p><b>reach</b>                    enumerated type shoulder_t    stance of shoulder, joint 2</p> <p><b>elbow</b>                    enumerated type elbow_t     stance of elbow, joint 3</p> <p><b>wrist</b>                    enumerated type wrist_t     stance of wrist, joints 4, 5, and 6</p>
Returns	<p>Success: parameters are packed.</p> <p><b>reach</b>, one of:</p> <p>          <b>REACH_FREE</b>            shoulder, joint 2, free (robot picks best)</p> <p>          <b>REACH_FORWARD</b>        shoulder, joint 2, forward (toward front of robot)</p> <p>          <b>REACH_BACKWARD</b>        shoulder, joint 2, backward</p> <p><b>elbow</b>, one of:</p> <p>          <b>ELBOW_FREE</b>            elbow, joint 3, free (robot picks best)</p>

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	ELBOW_UP           elbow, joint 3, up (away from base) ELBOW_DOWN        elbow, joint 3, down <i>wrist</i> , one of: WRIST_FREE       joint 4 and joint 6, free (robot picks best) WRIST_FLIP      joint 4 and joint 6 rotated 180 degrees, and joint 5 reversed WRIST_NOFLIP    no rotation or reversal Failure < 0
Example	<pre> stance_type_t mode = 0 ;; STANCE_REQUESTED shoulder_t reach elbow_t elbow wrist_t wrist  stance_get( mode, reach, elbow, wrist )     if (reach != REACH_FREE    wrist != WRIST_FREE)         reach = REACH_FREE         wrist = WRIST_FREE         elbow = ELBOW_FREE          stance_set(reach, elbow, wrist)     else         ;; Continue     end if </pre>
Result	Returns the requested stance in the var variables reach, elbow, wrist. If the stance is not right sets the stance.
RAPL-II	Similar to POSE REACH FORWARD BACKWARD XFREE ELBOW UP DOWN XFREE WRIST NOFLIP FLIP XFREE
See Also	stance_set       sets the stance of the robot
Category	Stance

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## stance\_set

Description	Specifies a stance of the arm. A stance is a specific configuration of one or more joints.
Syntax	command stance_set( shoulder_t reach, elbow_t elbow, wrist_t wrist)
Parameters	<i>reach</i> REACH_FREE       shoulder, joint 2, free (robot picks best) REACH_FORWARD    shoulder, joint 2, forward (toward front of robot) REACH_BACKWARD   shoulder, joint 2, backward <i>elbow</i> ELBOW_FREE       elbow, joint 3, free (robot picks best) ELBOW_UP          elbow, joint 3, up (away from base) ELBOW_DOWN       elbow, joint 3, down <i>wrist</i> WRIST_FREE       joint 4 and joint 6, free (robot picks best) WRIST_FLIP       joint 4 and joint 6 rotated 180 degrees, and joint 5 reversed WRIST_NOFLIP     no rotation or reversal
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre> stance_type_t mode = 0 ;; STANCE_REQUESTED shoulder_t reach </pre>

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	<pre> elbow_t elbow wrist_t wrist  stance_get( mode, reach, elbow, wrist )     if (reach != REACH_FREE    wrist != WRIST_FREE)         reach = REACH_FREE         wrist = WRIST_FREE         elbow = ELBOW_FREE          stance_set(reach, elbow, wrist)     else         ;; Continue     end if </pre>
Result	Returns the requested stance in the var variables reach, elbow, wrist. If the stance is not right sets the stance.
RAPL-II	Similar to POSE REACH FORWARD BACKWARD XFREE ELBOW UP DOWN XFREE WRIST NOFLIP FLIP XFREE
See Also	stance_get          gets the stance of the robot
Category	Stance

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## startup

Description	<p>Initializes the pendant i/o in preparation for invoking menus. This command <b>MUST</b> be called before other high-level commands are invoked.</p> <p>This command differs from pendant_open() which prepares the pendant for access and initializes it to defaults.</p>
Library	stpv3
Syntax	export command startup()
Parameter	None
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
Example	stpv3:startup()
RAPL-II	Same as PENDANT ON
See Also	pendant_open
Category	Pendant

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## stat

Description	Obtains information about a particular object in the file system.
Syntax	command stat( var string[] path, var c_dirent buf )
Parameter	<p>path          a string -identifies the device</p> <p>buf          c_dirent structure has the following fields:</p> <pre> string[32]    de_name int           de_type int           de_links mode_flags    de_mode int           de_size int           de_mtime </pre>

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	<pre> int          de_dev int          de_ident </pre>										
	<p>The options for mode_flags type are:</p> <pre> M_READ      readable M_WRITE     writable M_EXEC      executable * </pre>										
	<p>Modes may be combined with the bitwise OR operator, represented by   (a single vertical bar/pipe).</p> <pre> M_READ M_READ   M_EXEC M_READ   M_WRITE M_READ   M_WRITE   M_EXEC </pre>										
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math>    buf is packed with the data</p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p> <table> <tr> <td>-EINVAL</td><td>the arguments were invalid</td></tr> <tr> <td>-ENOTDIR</td><td>a component is not a directory</td></tr> <tr> <td>-ENOENT</td><td>a component was not found</td></tr> <tr> <td>-EIO</td><td>an I/O error occurred</td></tr> <tr> <td>-EAGAIN</td><td>temporarily out of resources needed to do this</td></tr> </table>	-EINVAL	the arguments were invalid	-ENOTDIR	a component is not a directory	-ENOENT	a component was not found	-EIO	an I/O error occurred	-EAGAIN	temporarily out of resources needed to do this
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Example	<pre> int fd, check c_dirent dev_info string[32] thisfifo = "this_device.txt" open(fd, thisfifo, O_RDWR   O_CREAT, M_READ   M_WRITE) ... check = stat(thisfifo, dev_info ) </pre>										
Result	Fields of c_dirent type dev_info is packed with data										
See Also	<p>statfs      Gets information about mounted file system</p> <p>statusnp    Gets status of named pipe</p>										
Category	File and Device System Management										

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## statfs

Description	Gets information about a mounted filesystem.		
Syntax	command    statfs( var string[] path, var c_statfs buf )		
Parameter	<div><div><div><div><div><i>path</i></div></div><div><i>buf</i></div></div><div><div>mount_type</div><div>fs_type</div><div>int</div><div>int</div></div><div><div>a string specifying the path to the file</div><div>a variable of type c_statfs - the struct to hold the information:</div><div>filesystem type code, one of:</div><div>size of 1 block, in bytes</div><div>number of free blocks</div></div></div><div><div>MOUNT_MFS</div><div>MOUNT_CFS</div><div>MOUNT_RFS</div><div>MOUNT_HOSTFS</div><div>memory file system</div><div>CROSt file system</div><div>remote file system</div><div>host file system</div></div></div>		
Returns	<div>Success &gt;= 0</div> <div>Failure &lt; 0</div> <div><div><div>-EOK</div><div>-EINVAL</div><div>-ENOTDIR</div><div>-ENOENT</div><div>-EIO</div><div>-EAGAIN</div></div><div><div>success</div><div>invalid argument</div><div>a component of the path was not a directory</div><div>the specified file was not found</div><div>an I/O error occurred</div><div>temporarily out of resources needed to do this</div></div></div>		
Example	<pre>.define PATHLEN 32 mount_type type = MOUNT_HOSTFS</pre>		

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string[PATHLEN] dir = "/app/this_app"
mount_flags flags = MOUNTF_RDONLY
c_statfs stat
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int check
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check = mount(type, dir, flags, NULL)
...
check = statfs(dir, stat)
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Result `c_statfs` type `stat` is packed with the data

System Shell Application Shell `mount`

See Also `mount` `mount` a file system

Category File and Device System Management

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## statusnp

### **status** named pipe

Description Returns the current status of a named pipe.

Also returns how far the pending operation has completed, or the completed transfer length.

Syntax `func int statusnp( int fd, var int nwords )`

Parameter *fd* the file descriptor: an int  
*nwords* the number of words: an int

Returns

- >0
  - the current status of the named pipe
 

NPIPE_OPENED	0x0001
NPIPE_CONNECTED	0x0002
NPIPE_CONNECT_PENDING	0x0100
NPIPE_READ_PENDING	0x0200
NPIPE_WRITE_PENDING	0x0400
NPIPE_TRANSACT_PENDING	0x0800
  - the number of words transferred thus far in the current i/o operation
  - the number of words in the last i/o operation
- =0 no previously pending i/o operation waiting for pick-up
- <0 error

Example `statusnp(pd, stat)`  
`statusnp(NT_app_pipe, words)`

RAPL-II No equivalent.

See Also `opennp` opens a named pipe  
`closenp` closes a named pipe  
`connectnp` connects to a named pipe  
`disconnectnp` disconnects a client from a named pipe

Category Win 32

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## str\_append

Description	Takes string <i>src</i> and appends it onto string <i>dst</i> . String length of <i>dst</i> must be of sufficient length to contain the string being appended.
Syntax	<code>sub str_append( var string[] <i>dst</i>, var string[] <i>src</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>dst</i> a string the destination string <i>src</i> string appended to string <i>dst</i>
Example	<pre>string[20] <i>dst</i> = "Name:" ... print ( <i>dst</i>, "\n" ) str_append( <i>dst</i>, "J. Doe" ) print ( <i>dst</i>, "\n" )</pre>
Result	Name: Name: J. Doe
Category	String Manipulation

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## str\_chr\_find

Description	Finds the first occurrence of <i>c</i> in string <i>src</i> . Returns the index of the character. If not found, returns -1.
Syntax	<code>func int str_chr_find( string[] <i>src</i>, int <i>c</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>src</i> a string <i>c</i> an int - the character to be found in string <i>src</i> .
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre>.define MAXLEN 128 string[MAXLEN] <i>indata</i>, <i>str</i>, <i>newstr</i> int <i>cmd</i>, <i>outnum</i>, <i>outval</i>, <i>i</i> ... <i>cmd</i>=str_chr_get(<i>indata</i>,0) ;; find command type case <i>cmd</i>   of 'O': ;; O&lt;<i>outnum</i>&gt;,&lt;<i>state</i>&gt;&lt;lf&gt; this will set outputs     <i>i</i>=str_chr_find(<i>indata</i>,',') ;; find position of ","     if <i>i</i>&gt;=2 then       ;; make new "str" with data &lt;<i>outnum</i>&gt;       str_substr(<i>str</i>,<i>indata</i>,1,<i>i</i>-1)       ;;convert "str" to int <i>outnum</i>       str_to_int(<i>outnum</i>,<i>str</i>)       ;; <i>newstr</i> is &lt;<i>state</i>&gt;       str_substr(<i>newstr</i>,<i>indata</i>,<i>i</i>+1,MAXLEN)       ;; convert <i>newstr</i> to int       str_to_int(<i>outval</i>,<i>newstr</i>)       ;; set output "outnum" to "outval"       output_set(<i>outnum</i>,<i>outval</i>)     end if end case</pre>
Result	Outputs set as defined in the command line input
RAPL-II	STRPOS found substring (not character) in a string.
See Also	str_chr_rfind
Category	String Manipulation

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## str\_chr\_get

Description	Returns the ASCII value of the character indexed by <i>index</i> in string <i>s</i> . Reminder: string indexes begin at 0.
Syntax	<code>func int str_chr_get( var string s, int index )</code>
Parameters	<i>s</i> a string <i>index</i> an int - specifies the character in the string
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>string[] s = "str_chr_get example" ... print ("Letter 'e' has ASCII value ") ch = str_chr_get( s, 9 ) ... print (ch, "\n")</pre>
Result	Letter 'e' has ASCII value 101
See Also	<code>str_chr_find</code> <code>str_chr_rfind</code>
Category	String Manipulation

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## str\_chr\_rfind

Description	Finds the last occurrence of <i>c</i> in string <i>src</i> . Returns the index of the character. If not found, returns -1.
Syntax	<code>func int str_chr_rfind( string[] src, int c )</code>
Parameter	<i>src</i> astring, searched for the int <i>c</i> <i>c</i> an int, the character to be located in the string <i>src</i>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Returns the index of the last occurrence of the character <i>c</i> . Failure $< 0$ -1 if character is not found
Example	<pre>;;Does a sentence end with proper punctuation "." or "?" .define MAXLEN 128 string[MAXLEN] sentence int i, length, j, count  ;; prompt for sentence printf("Enter a sentence (max 128 characters)\n")  ;; Read sentence count=readline(sentence,MAXLEN) length = str_len(sentence) ;;sentence length starts from 0 i = str_chr_rfind(sentence, '.') j = str_chr_rfind(sentence, '?') if i == length-1    j == length-1 ;; proper punctuation     printf("Good punctuation\n") else     printf("Sentence punctuation incorrect\n") end if</pre>
RAPL-II	STRPOS found substring (not character) in a string
See Also	<code>str_chr-find</code>
Category	String Manipulation

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**str\_chr\_set**

Description	Sets the value of the character indexed by <i>index</i> in string <i>s</i> to <i>ch</i> . Reminder: string indexes begin with 0.
Syntax	<code>sub str_chr_set( var string[] s, int index, int ch )</code>
Example	<pre>string[] s = "str_chr_set example" ... print (s, "\n") str_chr_set( s, 13, 'e' ) ... print (s, "\n")</pre>
Result	<pre>str_chr_set example str_chr_set eeample</pre>
See Also	<pre>str_edit str_chr_find str_chr-rfind</pre>
Category	String Manipulation

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**str\_cksum**

Description	Computes a 32-bit bitwise checksum of the characters of <i>string</i> , for characters from <i>start</i> to <i>start + len - 1</i> .
Syntax	<code>func int str_cksum( var string[] s, int start, int len )</code>
Parameters	<p><i>s</i>                string for which the cksum is calculated</p> <p><i>start</i>           int the start character for the check sum</p> <p><i>len</i>             the string length for the checksum</p>
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math></p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p>
Example	<pre>.define MAXLEN 128 string[MAXLEN] the_string = "What is the checksum of the_string?" int len, check  len = sizeof(the_string) check = str_cksum(the_string, 0, len) printf("{} \nChecksum = {} \n", the_string, check)</pre>
Result	<pre>What is the checksum of the_string Checksum = 3145</pre>
Category	String Manipulation

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**str\_dup**

Description	Allocates space for a string, copies it into the allocated space and returns a pointer to the new string. This is principally useful for constructing dynamic data structures.
Syntax	<code>func string[]@ str_dup(string[] str)</code>
Parameter	<i>str</i> the string to allocate space for and copy,
Returns	a pointer to the new string. Raises an exception if the memory allocation fails.

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Example	<pre>string[]@sp ... sp = str_dup("This is a test string...") printf("The new string is '{}'\n", sp@)</pre>
Result	"The new string is 'This is a test string...'" is printed out.
See Also	mem_alloc()
Category	String Manipulation

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## str\_edit

Description	Replaces the characters in <i>dst</i> at position <i>start</i> and <i>len</i> characters with the string <i>src</i> . This subroutine can be used to both delete characters (if <i>src</i> == "") and insert substrings (if <i>len</i> == 0, for example.) Note that if <i>dst</i> doesn't have a <i>start</i> <sup>th</sup> character, then <i>src</i> is simply appended to the end of <i>dst</i> .
Syntax	<pre>sub str_edit( var string[] dst, string[] src, int start, int len )</pre>
Parameter	<p><i>dst</i>            a string to be edited</p> <p><i>src</i>            the string to be used to places in <i>dst</i></p> <p><i>start</i>          the start character index of <i>dst</i></p> <p><i>len</i>            the length (number) of characters to be replaced</p>
Returns	<p>Success &gt;= 0</p> <p>Failure &lt; 0</p>
Example	<pre>;; Remove vowels from a string string[128] sentence int i = 0 int count = 0 int len  ;; prompt for sentence printf("Enter a sentence (max 128 characters)\n")  ;; Read sentence count=readline(sentence,128) len = str_len(sentence) ;;sentence length starts from 0 ;; find and remove vowels  while (i &lt;= len)&amp;&amp; (count != NULL) count= str_chr_get(sentence, i)     if count=='a'    count=='e'    count=='i'    count=='o'    count=='u'         str_edit(sentence,"",i,1)     else         i++     end if end while printf("\n{}\n", sentence)</pre>
Result	Prints the string sentence with the vowels removed.
RAPL-II	CUT deleted characters. PASTE inserted characters.
See Also	str_chr_find
Category	String Manipulation

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## str\_error

Description	Returns a pointer to a string that describes a given error code specified in <i>n</i> .
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A failed command or function returns a negative integer (error descriptor) which corresponds to a particular error. The message strings, corresponding to the error descriptor, are stored in a string array indexed by positive integers. The negative return value of the failed command or function must be converted to a positive value for `str_error()` to access the array.

Refer to the section Error Handling for a description of the error descriptor and the error codes.

Syntax	<code>func string[]@ str_error( int n )</code>
Parameters	<i>n</i> an int error descriptor
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int t, fd ... t = open(fd, "myfile", O_RDONLY, 0) if (t &lt; 0)     ;; error     print("Error is:", str_error(-t), "\n") ... exit(1) end if</pre>
Result	Error is: not found
RAPL-II	No equivalent.
See Also	<code>str_signal</code> returns a pointer to a string describing a signal code
Category	String Manipulation Error Message Handling

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## str\_len

Description	Returns the length of string <i>s</i> or 0 (zero) if no limit. Reminder: the length is different from the initial declared size.
Syntax	<code>func int str_len( var string[] s)</code>
Parameter	<i>s</i> a string
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ positive, the size of the string zero, no limit Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>string[20] s = "str_len example" int i ... i = str_len(s) print (i, "\n")</pre>
Result	15
See Also	<code>str_limit</code> Returns string limit
Category	String Manipulation

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## str\_len\_set

Description	Sets the length of string <i>s</i> to <i>len</i> . This subroutine is equivalent to truncating a string to length <i>len</i> , if <i>s</i> is longer than <i>len</i> and extending a string <i>s</i> to length <i>len</i> , if <i>s</i> is shorter than <i>len</i> .
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	Length, <i>len</i> , of 0 (zero) allows any length. This is useful with dynamic allocation where length is controlled by <code>mem_alloc()</code> .
Syntax	<code>sub str_len_set( var string[] s, int len )</code>
Example	<pre>string[] s = "str_len_set example" ... print (s, "\n") str_len_set( s, 11 ) print (s, "\n")</pre>
Result	<pre>str_len_set example str_len_set</pre>
See Also	<code>str_len</code> <code>str-limit</code>
Category	String Manipulation

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## str\_limit

Description	Returns the limit on the length of a string.
Syntax	<code>func int str_limit( var string[] s)</code>
Parameter	<i>s</i> A string
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Returns integer value of the string length limit. Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>.define MAXLEN 128  string[MAXLEN] sentence = "This is a string" int length  length = str_limit(sentence) printf("str_limit is {}\n",length)</pre>
Result	<code>str_limit is 128</code>
See Also	<code>str_len</code> actual string length
Category	String Manipulation

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## str\_limit\_set

Description	Sets the limit on the length of a string.
Syntax	<code>sub str_limit_set( var string[] s, int len )</code>
Parameter	<i>s</i> A string <i>len</i> an int the limit for the string
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>.define MAXLEN 128 string[MAXLEN] sentence = "This is a string" int length = 32 int len  str_limit_set(sentence, length) len = str_limit(sentence) printf("str_limit is {}\n",len)</pre>
Result	<code>str_limit is 32</code>

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See Also      `str_len`  
               `str_limit`

Category      String Manipulation

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## **str\_scanf**

**string scan** formatted

Description      Parses (separates) the contents of string *s* according to *fmt* into a list of pointers to variables. Returns the number of items matched. Scanning may stop before the end of *s* if `str_scanf()` runs out of format specifiers.

Syntax            `command str_scanf ( var string[] s, var string fmt, ... )`

Parameters       The string *fmt* can contain:

field		description
{ }	(opening brace and closing brace)	any item (float or int; not string) preceded and followed by any amount of whitespace
{10F}		fixed field of 10 characters wide (no extra whitespace before or after)
{10}		an item of given maximum width (not fixed; whitespace ignored)
	(blank space)	space means 0 or more spaces
\\	(two backslashes)	means exactly 1 space
,	(comma)	means exactly 1 comma
x	(any other character)	means exactly 1 of that character

Returns           Success  $\geq 0$

                  Failure  $< 0$

Example 1        `str_scanf ( buf, "{}{} {}", &intvar1, &intvar2, &floatvar )`

will scan for:

any whitespace  
 an integer (stored in intvar1)  
 any whitespace  
 an integer (stored in intvar2)  
 any whitespace  
 a float (stored in floatvar)  
 any whitespace

Example 2        `str_scanf ( buf, "{20}, {}", &stringvar, &intvar )`

will scan for:

any whitespace  
 a non-whitespace string (first 20 chars stored in stringvar)  
 any whitespace  
 a comma  
 any whitespace  
 an integer (stored in intvar)  
 any whitespace

Example 3        `str_scanf ( buf, "{10F},{10F},{20F} ", &floatvar, &intvar, &stringvar )`

will scan for:

exactly 10 characters to be converted to a float and stored in floatvar  
 exactly 1 comma  
 exactly 10 characters to be converted to an int and stored in intvar  
 exactly 1 comma  
 exactly 20 characters to be converted to a string and stored in stringvar  
 any amount of whitespace

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Category String Manipulation

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**str\_signal**

Description	Returns a pointer to a string that describes a given signal code specified in <i>n</i> . Valid signal codes are found in the Appendix.
Syntax	<code>func string[]@ str_signal( int <i>n</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>n</i> an int specifies the signal number
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>string[]@ sig_msg ... sig_msg = str_signal( SIGHUP ) print (sig_msg, "\n")</pre>
Result	SIGHUP
RAPL-II	No equivalent.
See Also	<code>str_error</code> returns a pointer to a string describing an error code
Category	String Manipulation Signals

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**str\_sizeof**

Description	Returns the number of words it takes to store a string of length <i>n</i> .
Syntax	<code>func int str_sizeof( int <i>n</i> )</code>
Parameters	<i>n</i> an int the size of the string (# of characters)
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ . Returns $1 + ((n + 3) \gg 2)$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int size, max_size int words, max_words string[128] gnirts = "How much memory to store this string"  size = str_len(gnirts) max_size = str_limit(gnirts)  words = str_sizeof(size) max_words = str_sizeof(max_size)  printf("memory for string is:{}\n", words) printf("max memory for string is: {} \n", max_words)</pre>
Result	memory for string is 10 max memory for string is 33
See Also	<code>str_limit</code> <code>str_limit_set</code>
Category	String Manipulation Memory

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**str\_substr**

Description	Copies the substring of <i>src</i> starting at the <i>start</i> <sup>th</sup> character and <i>len</i> characters long into <i>dst</i> . Only as much of the substring as actually exists is copied. Characters are numbered from 0.
Syntax	<pre>sub  str_substr( var string[] dst, string[] src, int start, int len )</pre>
Parameter	<i>dst</i> the destination string <i>src</i> the source string <i>start</i> an int the start point in the src string <i>len</i> an int the length to be copied
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre>str_substr(d,s,0,10)     ;; copies the first 10 characters of s into d.</pre>
See Also	str_edit
Category	String Manipulation

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**str\_subsys**

Description	The str_subsys function, given a specific error descriptor returns a string giving the name of the subsystem origination the error. For details on the error descriptor refer to the Error Handling section.
Syntax	<pre>func string[]@ str_subsys(int descriptor)</pre>
Parameters	<i>descriptor</i> an int - value returned when error occurs in subprogram
Returns	Success >= 0      Returns a string with specifying the subsystem. Failure < 0
Example	<pre>int t, err_des t = open(fd, "myfile", O_RDONLY, 0) if (t &lt; 0)      ;; error     err_des = -t...     printf("The error occurred in the {} subsystem \n", str_subsys(err_des))     exit(1) end if</pre>
Result	The error occurred in the [kernel] subsystem
See Also	err_get_subsys str_error
Category	Error Message Handling String Manipulation

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**str\_to\_float**

Description	Converts an ASCII string in <i>src</i> to a floating point number and places the result in <i>dst</i> . If the string is not a proper floating point number, the command fails.
Syntax	<pre>command  str_to_float( var float dst, var string[] src )</pre>

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Parameters	<i>dst</i> a float - the value of the string <i>src</i> <i>src</i> a string - string to be converted to a float value
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>string[] s = "12345.67" float f ... str_to_float (f, s) print (f, "\n")</pre>
Result	12345.67
Category	String Manipulation Math

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### str\_to\_int

Description	Converts string <i>src</i> into a hexadecimal integer if there is a leading 0x or 0X, octal integer if there is a leading 0, or decimal integer otherwise. Stores the result in <i>dst</i> . LONG_MAX or LONG_MIN are stored if overflow occurred, depending on the sign of the value.
Syntax	command <code>str_to_int( var int <i>dst</i>, var string[] <i>src</i> )</code>
Parameters	<i>dst</i> an int - the value of the string <i>src</i> <i>src</i> a string - string to be converted to a integer value
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$ -EINVAL if error occurred during conversion.
Example	<pre>string[] s = "12345" int i ... str_to_int (i, s) print (i, "\n")</pre>
Result	12345
RAPL-II	DECODE
Category	String Manipulation Math

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### str\_to\_lower

Description	For a string specified by the variable <i>str</i> , converts the letters in the string from upper case to lower case. If a letter is already lower case, does not change it.
Syntax	sub <code>str_to_lower( var string[] <i>str</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>str</i> the string to be converted: a variable length string
Example	<pre>string[128] path = "MY_DIRECTORY\MY_FILE" ... str_lower(path) printf("{ }\n", path)</pre>
Result	my_directory\my_file

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See Also	<code>str_to_upper</code> converts a string to upper case
	<code>chr_to_lower</code> converts a character to lower case
Category	String Manipulation

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### **str\_to\_upper**

Description	For a string specified by the variable <i>str</i> , converts the letters in the string from lower case to upper case. If a letter is already upper case, does not change it.
Syntax	<code>sub str_to_upper( var string[] str )</code>
Parameter	<i>str</i> the string to be converted: a variable length string
Example	<pre>sentence = "emphasis here" str_to_upper(sentence) . . . printf("{ }\n",sentence)</pre>
Result	EMPHASIS HERE
See Also	<code>str_to_lower</code> converts a string to lower case
	<code>chr_to_upper</code> converts a character to upper case
Category	String Manipulation

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### **sync**

Description	Flushes all the file system buffers of their contents.
Syntax	<code>command sync()</code>
Returns	commands do not return a value
Example	<pre>int fd string[] buffer = "sync test" . . . open ( fd, "filename", O_WRONLY, 0 );; Open file fprintf ( fd, buffer )                    ;; Write value sync()                                    ;; Force writing</pre>
Category	File and Device System Management Memory

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### **sysconf**

Description	Obtains system configuration information and places it in a struct (c_sysconf). The data is a struct of ints, 32 bit numbers. The sc_items parameter must be initialized to indicate how many items to transfer/accept. The sysid_string() command is used to print the system identifier.		
Syntax	command    sysconf( var c_sysconf scp )		
Parameter	scp	the system configuration data: a struct of type c_sysconf	
	int	sc_items	number of entries to transfer/accept
	int	sc_sysid	system identifier word
	int	sc_version	version code, major.minor where
			major == upper 16 bits
			minor == lower 16 bits
	int	sc_click_size	bytes per click

	<pre> int    sc_msec_per_tick    milliseconds per scheduled tick int    sc_build </pre>
Returns	<pre> Success &gt;= -EOK    success Failure &lt; 0                   -EINVAL    the argument was invalid (improperly initialized buffer) </pre>
Example	<pre> c_sysconf sysconf_buf int[4] datain int[8] dataout int value ... sysconf_buf.sc_items = sizeof(sysconf_buf) sysconf(sysconf_buf) ... print("\nSystem type: '", sysid_string(sysconf_buf.sc_sysid), "' '\n") print("Version:      ", (sysconf_buf.sc_version &gt;&gt; 16), ".", \       (sysconf_buf.sc_version &amp; 0xffff), ".", \       sysconf_buf.sc_build, "\n") print("Click size:   ", sysconf_buf.sc_click_size, "\n") print("msec/tick:    ", sysconf_buf.sc_msec_per_tick, "\n") ... </pre>
Category	System Process Control: Operating System Management

## sysid\_string

Description	Returns a string describing a specified system id.
Syntax	func string[]@ sysid_string( int sysid )
Parameter	<i>sysid</i> an int - specifies the system
Returns	<pre> Success &gt;= 0. Returns 1    CROS on a C500 Returns 2    CROS on a C500B Returns 3    CROS on a C600 Returns 4    CROS under Windows NT Returns 5    CROS under MSDOS Failure &lt; 0 </pre>
Example	<pre> c_sysconf sysconf_buf int[4] datain int[8] dataout int value ... sysconf_buf.sc_items=sizeof(sysconf_buf) sysconf(sysconf_buf) ... print("\nSystem type: '", sysid_string(sysconf_buf.sc_sysid), "' '\n") print("Version:      ", (sysconf_buf.sc_version &gt;&gt; 16), ".", \       (sysconf_buf.sc_version &amp; 0xffff), ".", \       sysconf_buf.sc_build, "\n") print("Click size:   ", sysconf_buf.sc_click_size, "\n") print("msec/tick:    ", sysconf_buf.sc_msec_per_tick, "\n") </pre>
Category	System Process Control: Operating System Management

## tan

Description	Calculates the tangent of an angle. Takes an argument in degrees.
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Syntax	<code>func float tan( float x )</code>	
Parameter	<code>x</code> a float - angle in degrees	
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ . The tangent of the argument. Failure $< 0$	
Example	<pre>float x = 65.0           ;; value is in degrees float y y = tan( x )</pre>	
Result	2.144507	
RAPL-II	TAN	
See Also	cos	calculates the cosine
	sin	calculates the sine
	atan2	calculates the arc tangent
Category	Math	

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## teach\_menu

Description	Use this command to select and teach variables for an application. Note that you cannot use this command unless there is an open v3 file.	
Library	stpv3	
Syntax	<code>export sub teach_menu()</code>	
Parameter	None	
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$	
Example	<code>stpv3:teach_menu()</code>	
Category	Pendant	

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## time

Description	Returns the current calendar time, or -1 if the time is not available. The calendar time is given as a 32 bit integer and represents the number of elapsed seconds since the beginning of Jan. 1, 1970.	
Syntax	<code>func int time()</code>	
Returns	Success $\geq 0$	Returns the time
	Failure $< 0$	-1
Example	<pre>int t  t = time() print (t, "\n")</pre>	
Result	834539842	
See Also	time-set	sets the current time
	time_to_str	converts a system time code to an ASCII string
Category	Date and Time	

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## time\_set

Description	Sets the current time to the calendar time contained in <i>now</i> . The calendar time represents the elapsed number of seconds since the beginning of Jan. 1, 1970.	
Syntax	<code>command time_set( int now )</code>	

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Parameter	<i>now</i> an int - calendar time
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$ -EOK            success
Example	<pre>int t  t = time()           ;; Get the current system time t = t - 24 * 3600    ;; Set the time back to                     ;; same time yesterday  time_set (t)</pre>
See Also	<i>time</i> returns the current calendar time <i>time_to_str</i> converts a system time code to an ASCII string
Category	Date and Time

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## time\_to\_str

Description	<p>Converts a system time code to an ASCII string of the form:  Day Mth DD HH:MM:SS YYYY  For example, time = 836211600 returns  Mon Jul 1 09:00:00 1996  The result is stored in <i>dst</i>, which must have space for at least 25 characters.</p>
Syntax	command <i>time_to_str</i> (var string[] <i>dst</i> , int <i>time</i> )
Parameter	<i>dst</i> a string for storing date and time <i>time</i> an int the system time
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int check int time = 836211600 string[128] time_date  check = time_to_str(time_date, time) printf("{ }\n",time_date)</pre>
Result	Mon Jul 1 09:00:00 1996
See Also	<i>set_time</i> sets the current time <i>time</i> returns the current calendar time
Category	Date and Time String Manipulation

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## tool\_get

Description	<p>Gets the current tool transform, the redefinition of the origin point and the orientation of the tool coordinate system.</p> <p>The default origin is the centre of the surface of the mechanical interface (tool flange). The transform has translational coordinates, x, y, and z, and rotational coordinates, yaw, pitch, and roll. The data type used is a cloc which also has an integer flag.</p>
Syntax	command <i>tool_get</i> (var cloc <i>toolloc</i> )
Parameter	<i>toolloc</i> a cloc packed with the tool transform data

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Returns	Success $\geq 0$ <i>toolloc</i> is packed with current transform data Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>teachable cloc tool_trsfm cloc old_tool  tool_get(old_tool) if old_tool != tool_trsfm     tool_set(tool_trsfm) end if</pre>
Result	Tool transform is set to the teachable cloc "tool_trsfm"
RAPL-II	Similar to TOOL
See Also	<i>tool_set</i> re-defines the current tool offset <i>base_get</i> gets the current base offset
Category	Tool Transform and Base Offset

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### **tool\_set**

Description	<p>Sets a tool transform, a redefinition of the origin point and the orientation of the tool coordinate system.</p> <p>The default origin is the centre of the surface of the mechanical interface (tool flange).</p> <p>The <i>tool_set()</i> command has the capacity for a 6 degree-of-freedom transformation. The origin can be re-defined by translational coordinates: x, y, and z. The orientation can be re-defined by rotational coordinates: yaw, pitch, and roll. A cloc data type is used which requires an integer constant flag followed by float constant coordinates.</p>																
Syntax	command <i>tool_set</i> ( var cloc <i>toolloc</i> )																
Parameter	<table> <tr> <td><i>toolloc</i></td><td>the transform with flag, x, y, z, yaw, pitch, roll information: a cloc</td></tr> <tr> <td><i>flag</i></td><td>the *: an int</td></tr> <tr> <td><i>x</i></td><td>the distance along the X axis, in current units: a float</td></tr> <tr> <td><i>y</i></td><td>the distance along the Y axis, in current units: a float</td></tr> <tr> <td><i>z</i></td><td>the distance along the Z axis, in current units: a float</td></tr> <tr> <td><i>yaw</i></td><td>the rotation around the Z axis, in degrees: a float</td></tr> <tr> <td><i>pitch</i></td><td>the rotation around the Y axis, in degrees: a float</td></tr> <tr> <td><i>roll</i></td><td>the rotation around the X axis, in degrees: a float</td></tr> </table>	<i>toolloc</i>	the transform with flag, x, y, z, yaw, pitch, roll information: a cloc	<i>flag</i>	the *: an int	<i>x</i>	the distance along the X axis, in current units: a float	<i>y</i>	the distance along the Y axis, in current units: a float	<i>z</i>	the distance along the Z axis, in current units: a float	<i>yaw</i>	the rotation around the Z axis, in degrees: a float	<i>pitch</i>	the rotation around the Y axis, in degrees: a float	<i>roll</i>	the rotation around the X axis, in degrees: a float
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<i>roll</i>	the rotation around the X axis, in degrees: a float																
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$																
Example	<pre>tool_set( 0, 2.0, 0.0, 3.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0 ) ;; for a tool with a tool centre-point 2.0 units along the X axis ;; and 3.0 units along the Z axis from the default origin  tool( 0, 2.0, 0.0, 3.0, 0.0, 90.0, 0.0 ) ;; for the same tool as the previous example oriented with ;; a 90 degree pitch</pre>																
RAPL-II	Similar to TOOL.																
See Also	<i>tool_get</i> gets the current tool offset <i>shift_t</i> alters coordinate(s)/orientation(s) in the tool frame of reference <i>base_set</i> re-defines the world coordinate system																
Category	Tool Transform and Base Offset																

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**tx**

Alias

**jog\_t ...**

alias	same as
tx(...)	jog_t(TOOL_X, ... )

Description

In the tool frame of reference, moves the tool centre point to the end point which is a specified distance along the X axis, in current units (millimetres or inches).

The following table describes the positive X axis for each tool coordinate system.

arm position	F3 coordinate system	A465/A255 coordinate system
any	(see below)	X is perpendicular to (arises out of) the tool flange.
ready	X is vertical pointing down parallel to negative world Z.	X is horizontal, pointing ahead, past the front of the arm, parallel to world X.
straight up	X is horizontal, pointing ahead, past the front of the arm parallel to world X.	X is vertical pointing up parallel to world Z.

This command, tx() is joint-interpolated. The tool centre point travels as a result of various joint motions, not in a straight line.

For cartesian-interpolated (straight line) motion, see txs().

Syntax

```
command tx( float distance )
```

Parameters

*distance* the distance of travel, in current units: a float

Returns

Success = 0  
Failure < 0

Example

```
move(base_point)
tx(200)           ;; millimetres
```

RAPL-II

No equivalent.

See Also

txs jogs like tx, but in straight line motion  
jog\_t alias of tx and moves along other axes  
ty jogs like tx, but along Y axis  
tz jogs like tx, but along Z axis  
depart moves along approach/depart axis  
jog\_w jogs like tx, but in world frame of reference

Category

Motion

**txs**

Alias

**jog\_ts ...**

alias	same as
txs()	jog_ts(TOOL_X, ... )

Description

In the tool frame of reference, moves the tool centre point along the X axis by the specified distance in current units (millimetres or inches).

The following table describes the positive X axis for each tool coordinate system.

arm position	F3 coordinate system	A465/A255 coordinate system
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any	(see below)	X is perpendicular to (arises out of) the tool flange.
ready	X is vertical pointing down parallel to negative world Z.	X is horizontal, pointing ahead, past the front of the arm, parallel to world X.
straight up	X is horizontal, pointing ahead, past the front of the arm parallel to world X.	X is vertical pointing up parallel to world Z..

This command, txs(), is cartesian-interpolated (straight line).

For joint-interpolated (not straight) motion, see tx()

Syntax	command txs( float distance )
Parameters	<i>distance</i> the distance of travel, in current units or degrees: a float
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0
Example	move(base_point) txs(200) ;; millimetres
RAPL-II	No equivalent.
See Also	tx jogs like txs, but joint interpolated jog_ts alias of txs and moves along other axes tys jogs like txs, but along Y axis tzs jogs like txs, but along Z axis depart moves along approach/depart axis jog_ws jogs like txs, but in world frame of reference
Category	Motion

## ty

Alias

jog\_t ...

alias	same as
ty(...)	jog_t( TOOL_Y, ... )

Description

In the tool frame of reference, moves the tool centre point to the end point which is a specified distance along the Y axis, in current units (millimetres or inches).

The following table describes the positive Y axis for each tool coordinate system.

arm position	F3 coordinate system	A465/A255 coordinate system
any	(see below)	(see below)
ready	Y is horizontal, pointing out to one side of the arm, parallel to positive world Y.	Y is horizontal, pointing out to one side of the arm, parallel to positive world Y.
straight up	Y is horizontal, pointing out to one side of the arm, parallel to positive world Y.	Y is horizontal, pointing out to one side of the arm, parallel to positive world Y

This command, ty() is joint-interpolated. The tool centre point travels as a result of various joint motions, not in a straight line.

For cartesian-interpolated (straight line) motion, see tys().

Syntax	command ty( float distance )
Parameters	<i>distance</i> the distance of travel, in current units: a float

Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre>move(base_point) ty(200)           ;; millimetres</pre>
RAPL-II	No equivalent.
See Also	tys                    jogs like ty, but in straight line motion jog_t                alias of ty and moves along other axes tx                    jogs like ty, but along X axis tz                    jogs like tx, but along Z axis depart               moves along approach/depart axis jog_w                jogs like ty, but in world frame of reference
Category	Motion

## tys

Alias **jog\_ts ...**

alias	same as
tys(...)	jog_ts(TOOL_Y, ... )

Description In the tool frame of reference, moves the tool centre point along the Y axis by the specified distance in current units (millimetres or inches).

The following table describes the positive Y axis for each tool coordinate system.

arm position	F3 coordinate system	A465/A255 coordinate system
any	(see below)	(see below)
ready	Y is horizontal, pointing out to one side of the arm, parallel to positive world Y.	Y is horizontal, pointing out to one side of the arm, parallel to positive world Y.
straight up	Y is horizontal, pointing out to one side of the arm, parallel to positive world Y.	Y is horizontal, pointing out to one side of the arm, parallel to positive world Y

This command, tys(), is cartesian-interpolated (straight line).

For joint-interpolated (not straight) motion, see ty()

Syntax	<code>command tys( float distance )</code>
Parameters	<i>distance</i> the distance of travel, in current units or degrees: a float
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre>move(base_point) tys(200)           ;; millimetres</pre>
RAPL-II	No equivalent.
See Also	ty                    jogs like tys, but joint interpolated jog_ts               alias of tys and moves along other axes txs                   jogs like tys, but along X axis tzs                   jogs like tys, but along Z axis depart               moves along approach/depart axis jog_ws               jogs like tys, but in world frame of reference
Category	Motion

**tz**

Alias

**jog\_t ...**

alias	same as
<code>tz(...)</code>	<code>jog_t(TOOL_Z, ... )</code>

Description

In the tool frame of reference, moves the tool centre point to the end point which is a specified distance along the Z axis, in current units (millimetres or inches).

The following table describes the positive Z axis for each tool coordinate system.

arm position	F3 coordinate system	A465/A255 coordinate system
any	Z is perpendicular to (arises out of) the tool flange.	(see below)
ready	Z is horizontal, pointing ahead, past the front of the arm, parallel to world X.	Z is vertical pointing up, parallel to positive world Z.
straight up	Z is vertical pointing up, parallel to positive world Z.	Z is horizontal, pointing back, parallel to negative world X.

This command, `tz()` is joint-interpolated. The tool centre point travels as a result of various joint motions, not in a straight line.

For cartesian-interpolated (straight line) motion, see `tzs()`.

Syntax

command `tz( float distance )`

Parameters

*distance* the distance of travel, in current units: a float

Returns

Success = 0  
Failure < 0

Example

```
move(base_point)
tz(200)      ;; millimetres
```

RAPL-II

No equivalent.

See Also

`tzs` jogs like `tz`, but in straight line motion  
`jog_t` alias of `tz` and moves along other axes  
`tx` jogs like `ty`, but along X axis  
`ty` jogs like `ty`, but along Y axis  
`depart` moves along approach/depart axis  
`jog_w` jogs like `tz`, but in world frame of reference

Category

Motion

**tzs**

Alias

**jog\_ts ...**

alias	same as
<code>tzs(...)</code>	<code>jog_ts(TOOL_Z, ... )</code>

Description

In the tool frame of reference, moves the tool centre point along the Z axis by the specified distance in current units (millimetres or inches).

The following table describes the positive Z axis for each tool coordinate system.

arm position	F3 coordinate system	A465/A255 coordinate system
any	Z is perpendicular to (arises out of) the tool flange.	(see below)
ready	Z is horizontal, pointing ahead, past the front of the arm, parallel to world X.	Z is vertical pointing up, parallel to positive world Z.
straight up	Z is vertical pointing up, parallel to positive world Z.	Z is horizontal, pointing back, parallel to negative world X.

This command, `tzs()`, is cartesian-interpolated (straight line).

For joint-interpolated (not straight) motion, see `tz()`

Syntax	<code>command tzs( float distance )</code>
Parameters	<i>distance</i> the distance of travel, in current units or degrees: a float
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre>move(base_point) tzs(200)      ;; millimetres</pre>
RAPL-II	No equivalent.
See Also	<code>tz</code> jogs like <code>tzs</code> , but joint interpolated <code>jog_ts</code> alias of <code>tzs</code> and moves along other axes <code>txs</code> jogs like <code>tzs</code> , but along X axis <code>tys</code> jogs like <code>tzs</code> , but along Y axis <code>depart</code> moves along approach/depart axis <code>jog_ws</code> jogs like <code>tzs</code> , but in world frame of reference
Category	Motion

## units\_get

Description	Gets the current setting of units of linear measure, either metric (millimetres) or English (inches).
Syntax	<code>command units_get( var unit_type linear_measure )</code>
Parameter	<i>linear_measure</i> the variable
Returns	Success >= 0 the parameter is loaded with one of: UNITS_METRIC UNITS_ENGLISH Failure < 0
Example	<pre>unit_type units units_get(units) if units == UNITS_METRIC   print("Using metric units") else   print("Using English units") end if</pre>
Result	prints the current units
See Also	<code>units_set</code> sets the current units
Category	Robot Configuration

## units\_set

Description	<p>Sets current units to metric (millimetres) or English (inches).</p> <p>Sets the system of measurement for linear distances. Does not affect the system of measurement for rotational distances.</p> <p>The default units are:</p> <table> <tr> <td>F3</td><td>Metric</td></tr> <tr> <td>A465, A255, earlier models</td><td>English</td></tr> </table> <p>If a cartesian location was taught in one system of units, it cannot be used in a program with the other system of units. The units setting does not affect precision locations.</p>	F3	Metric	A465, A255, earlier models	English
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A465, A255, earlier models	English				
Syntax	<code>command units_set( unit_type linear_measure )</code>				
Parameter	<p><i>linear_measure</i> the system of units, of type <code>unit_type</code>, one of:</p> <p>UNITS_METRIC UNITS_ENGLISH</p>				
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math> Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p>				
Example	<pre>unit_type units = UNITS_METRIC ... units_set(units)</pre>				
Result	Configures robot for metric units				
See Also	<code>units_get</code> gets the current units				
Category	Robot Configuration				

## unlink

Description	The unlink command removes a link to the file specified by <i>path</i> . If the link count is zero, the file is deleted.														
Syntax	<code>command unlink( var string[] path )</code>														
Parameter	<i>path</i> A string defining the file and the path to the file														
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math> Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p> <table> <tr> <td>-EINVAL</td><td>the arguments were invalid</td></tr> <tr> <td>-ENOTDIR</td><td>a component is not a directory</td></tr> <tr> <td>-ENOENT</td><td>a component was not found</td></tr> <tr> <td>-EIO</td><td>an I/O error occurred</td></tr> <tr> <td>-EAGAIN</td><td>temporarily out of resources needed to do this</td></tr> <tr> <td>-EISDIR</td><td>tried to unlink a directory</td></tr> <tr> <td>-EBUSY</td><td>the file is presently open</td></tr> </table>	-EINVAL	the arguments were invalid	-ENOTDIR	a component is not a directory	-ENOENT	a component was not found	-EIO	an I/O error occurred	-EAGAIN	temporarily out of resources needed to do this	-EISDIR	tried to unlink a directory	-EBUSY	the file is presently open
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Example	<pre>string[32] path = "my_directory\\myfile" int check, fd  check = open(fd, path, O_RDWR, M_READ M_WRITE)   if (check) =     ;; continue ...   end if ... unlink(path)</pre>														
Result	Opens the file "path" - deletes it later														



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System Shell	Same as: rm, del.
RAPL-II	DELETE, DPROG
See Also	link open
Category	File and Device System Management

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## unlock

Description	Unlocks a specified axis.
Syntax	<code>command unlock( int axis )</code>
Parameter	<i>axis</i> the axis to be unlocked: an int
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>;;Unlock joint 1, move robot, lock joint 1 unlock(1) ... robot motion lock(1)</pre>
RAPL-II	Same as UNLOCK
See Also	lock
Category	Motion

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## unmount

Description	Unmounts a mounted filesystem from directory <i>dir</i> .
Syntax	<code>command unmount( var string[] dir )</code>
Parameter	<i>dir</i> the mount point of the CROS directory: a string of var length
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-EPERM must be a privileged process to unmount()</li> <li>-EINVAL invalid argument</li> <li>-ENOTDIR the mount point is not a directory</li> <li>-ENOENT a component was not found</li> <li>-EIO an I/O error occurred</li> <li>-EAGAIN temporarily out of resources needed to do this</li> <li>-EBUSY the mounted filesystem is busy</li> </ul>
Example	<pre>string[32] directory = "my_directory" unmount(directory)</pre>
System Shell	Same as unmount.
RAPL-II	No equivalent.
See Also	mount mounts a file system on a directory
Category	File and Device System Management

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## unsetenv

Description	Deletes the selected environment string. (See the section on <code>environ()</code> for more explanation.) (C500C only)
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Syntax	<code>command unsetenv(string[] key)</code>
Parameter	There is one required parameter:  <div style="margin-left: 2em;"><i>key</i>    The key (left hand side before the '=' character) of the string to delete.</div>
Returns	Success: 0. (even if the key is not found, 0 is returned.) Failure < 0 (-ve error code)
Example	<pre>;; Delete "MyString" from the environment unsetenv("MyString")</pre>
See Also	<code>environ()</code> , <code>getenv()</code> , <code>setenv()</code>
Category	Environment Variables

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## utime

Description	Changes the modification time of a filesystem object.
Library	<code>syslib</code>
Syntax	<code>command utime(string [] path, int modtime)</code>
Parameters	There are two required parameters:  <div style="margin-left: 2em;"><i>path</i>                            the path of the object to modify</div> <div style="margin-left: 2em;"><i>modtime</i>                        what time to reset the object's modification time to.</div>
Returns	<div style="margin-left: 2em;"> <math>\geq 0</math>        <math>\rightarrow</math>    Success  <math>&lt; 0</math>        <math>\rightarrow</math>    Failure </div> Possible failure return codes are: <div style="margin-left: 2em;"> -EINVAL        Invalid argument  -EBADF        There is no open file corresponding to <i>fd</i>.  -EACCESS       Access denied  -EIO           I/O error  -ENOTDIR       a component was not a directory  -ENOENT        the object was not found </div>
Example	<pre>int t t = time()                    ;; get the time NOW ... utime("/tmp/xfile", t - 60) ;; reset the timestamp to one minute ago ...</pre>
See Also	<code>mtime()</code>
Category	File and Device System Management

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## v3\_save\_on\_exit

Description	Sets the RAPL-3 interpreter so that when the program exits, all of its final v3 variable values will be saved to the specified v3 file. Note that the automatic save will fail if the file is not a valid v3 file with entries corresponding to each teachable variable in the current program. The <code>v3_save_on_exit()</code> mechanism can be used to simulate persistent variables like the RAPL-II language had.
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Syntax	<code>command v3_save_on_exit(int fd)</code>
Parameter	<i>fd</i> -- file descriptor of the open v3 file (must be open for both reading and writing.) If <i>fd</i> == -1, then the call cancels a previously requested save-on-exit.
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$ (-ve error code)
Example	<pre>int fd open(fd, "whatever.v3", O_RDWR, 0)           ;; open my v3 file v3_save_on_exit(fd)</pre>
Category	v3 files

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### v3\_vars\_save

Description	Writes the current program's teachable variables to the file open on <i>fd</i> . The command will fail if the file is not a valid v3 file with entries corresponding to the current programs teachable variables. Note that the file ( <i>fd</i> ) is always closed after the command call whether the command succeeds or fails.
Syntax	<code>command v3_vars_save(int fd)</code>
Parameter	<i>fd</i> the file open
Returns	Success =0 Failure $< -ve$ error descriptor
Example	<pre>int fd open(fd, "myname.v3", O_RDWR, 0) v3_vars_save(fd)</pre>
See Also	<code>vars_save</code>
Category	v3 Files

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### va\_arg\_get

Description	Gets the next argument into <i>dst</i> (converting to <i>vat</i> if required), advances <i>va_next_ptr</i> , and decrements <i>va_count</i> .  Used for subroutines and functions that have a variable number of arguments.																												
Syntax	<code>command va_arg_get(var int va_count, var void@ va_next_ptr, \ va_types vat, void@ dst)</code>																												
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va_t_float_p,           ;; float@
va_t_string_p,          ;; string[]@
va_t_ploc_p,            ;; ploc@
va_t_cloc_p,            ;; cloc@
va_t_gloc_p,            ;; gloc@

va_t_ptr                ;; other pointer type
end enum

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*dst*                    void pointer

Returns                Success  $\geq 0$   
                          Failure  $< 0$   
                          -ERANGE if there are no arguments left to get  
                          -EINVAL if there is a problem getting the type of argument

Category                System Process Control: Operating System

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## va\_arg\_type

Description            Returns a type descriptor for the next varargs argument.  
                          Used for subroutines and functions that have a variable number of arguments.

Syntax                 func va\_types va\_arg\_type(void@ va\_next\_ptr)

Parameters            *va\_next\_ptr*                    void pointer

Returns                Success  $\geq 0$ . An enumeration constant (type va\_types)

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va_t_void                ;; void
va_t_int                 ;; int
va_t_float               ;; float
va_t_string              ;; string[] (can't happen)
va_t_cloc                ;; cloc
va_t_ploc               ;; ploc
va_t_gloc                ;; gloc
va_t_unknown             ;; unknown (can't happen)
va_t_void_p              ;; void@
va_t_int_p               ;; int@
va_t_float_p             ;; float@
va_t_string_p            ;; string[]@
va_t_cloc_p              ;; cloc@
va_t_ploc_p              ;; ploc@
va_t_gloc_p              ;; gloc@
va_t_ptr                 ;; other pointer type

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Failure  $< 0$

Example                sub do\_something( int a, ...)  
                          int b  
                          ...  
                          case va\_count:  
                          of 0:  
                              b = 0        ;; default  
                          else  
                              if (va\_type\_arg(va\_next\_ptr) == va\_t\_int)  
                                  va\_get\_arg(va\_count, va\_next\_ptr, va\_t\_int, &b)  
                                  else        ;; wrong type passed  
                                      b = 0        ;; use default  
                                  end if  
                              end case  
                          ...  
                          end sub

Category                System Process Control: Operating System

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## var\_teach

Description	Teach the variable whose name is “name”. Returns True if successful, False if not correctly taught or negative if not found or otherwise in error. Refer also to the var_teach_v command.
Library	stpv3
Syntax	<code>export command var_teach(var string[] name, int index_1, int index_2)</code>
Parameter	<i>name</i> name of the variable to be taught <i>index_1</i> first argument of an array <i>index_2</i> second argument in a two dimensional array
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ True if taught, False if not taught Failure $< 0$ error descriptor
Example	<pre>... stpv3:var_teach("new_array",1,1) ...</pre>
See Also	var_teach_v
Category	Pendant

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## vars\_save

Description	Invokes the v3_vars_save() operation on the currently open application v3 file. This presupposes that the calling program is open application and that the variables in the open application are actually desired variables. If this assumption is false the command will likely fail or do something unpredictable (and NOT useful.).
Library	stpv3
Syntax	<code>export command var_save()</code>
Parameter	No parameters
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Returns 0 if successful Failure $< 0$ -1 no application open Returns error descriptor
Example	<pre>int fd open(fd, "myname.v3", O_RDWR, 0) ...     stpv3:vars_save() ...</pre>
Result	Saves the open application's variables to file fd.
See Also	v3_vars_save
Category	Pendant

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## verstring\_get

Description	Gets the current kinematics version string.
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Syntax	<code>command verstring_get( var string[] s )</code>
Parameters	<i>s</i> the string variable for the kinematics version
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ the variable is packed Failure $< 0$
Category	Status Robot Configuration

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## waitpid

Description	Waits for the child process <i>wpid</i> to complete. If <i>wpid</i> =W_ANY, waits for any child process to complete. If <i>status</i> is not NULL, the child process status is stored in <i>status@..</i>
Syntax	<code>func int waitpid( int wpid, int@ status, int options )</code>
Parameters	<i>wpid</i> an int - the child process <i>status</i> pointer to an int <i>options</i> 0 W_ANY        waits for any child W_NOHANG    waitpid checks for child completion and returns immediately
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ positive pid    the pid of the child, if the requested child terminated 0 (-EOK)        if W_NOHANG is in effect and no child has terminated Failure $< 0$ -ESRCH        no process with that pid exists -ECHILD       no child process exists -EINTR        was interrupted by a signal
Example	<pre>int pid ... pid = split() if pid == 0     ;; Child process     execl("/bin/ls")     exit(0) else     ;; Parent waits for child     while waitpid( pid, NULL, 0 ) == 0         end while     ;; Finish Code end if</pre>
See Also	WEXITSTATUS WIFEXITED WIFSIGNALED WTERMSIG
Category	System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes

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## WEXITSTATUS

Description	If <i>status</i> is the child status returned by waitpid, then WEXITSTATUS returns the actual exit code of the child process that exited. (This is simply the lower byte of status.)
Syntax	<code>func int WEXITSTATUS( int <i>status</i> )</code>
Parameter	<i>status</i> an int - child status
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int status ... status = WEXITSTATUS( status )</pre>
Category	System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes

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## WIFEXITED

Description	WIFEXITED returns 1 if <i>status</i> indicates that the child process exited, and returns 0 otherwise.
Syntax	<code>func int WIFEXITED( int <i>status</i> )</code>
Parameters	<i>status</i> an int - child process status
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int status ... if WIFEXITED( status )     ;; Process exited else     ;; Process was signaled end if</pre>
Category	System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes

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## WIFSIGNALED

Description	WIFSIGNALED returns 1 if the child process was signal-terminated, and returns 0 otherwise.
Syntax	<code>func int WIFSIGNALED( int <i>status</i> )</code>
Parameters	<i>status</i> an int - child process status
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>int status ... if WIFSIGNALED( status )     ;; Process was signaled else     ;; Process exited end if</pre>

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See Also	WTERMSIG      returns the signal number
Category	System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes Signal Handling

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## world\_to\_joint

Description	Converts a location from world coordinates to joint angles. Used if a location of one type needs to be converted to another type for checking or other use within the program.
Syntax	<code>command   world_to_joint( cloc world, var float[8] joint )</code>
Parameters	<i>world</i> the location in world coordinates: a cloc <i>joint</i> the location in joint angles (an array of floats)
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ <i>joint</i> is packed Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>float[8] joints1 teachable cloc world1 ... world_to_joint(world1, joints1)</pre>
Result	<i>joint1</i> is packed with the appropriate joint data
RAPL-II	Similar to SET with different location types.
See Also	<i>joint_to_world</i> converts joint angles to world coordinates <i>world_to_motor</i> converts world coordinates to motor pulses
Category	Location: Kinematic Conversions

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## world\_to\_motor

Description	Converts a location from world coordinates to motor pulses. Used if a location of one type needs to be converted to another type for checking or other use within the program.
Syntax	<code>command   world_to_motor( cloc world, var ploc motor )</code>
Parameters	<i>world</i> the location in world coordinates: a cloc <i>motor</i> the location in motor pulses: a ploc
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ <i>motor</i> is packed Failure $< 0$
Example	<pre>ploc motor1 teachable cloc world1 ... world_to_motor(world1, motor1)</pre>
Result	<i>motor1</i> is packed with the appropriate joint coordinate data
RAPL-II	Similar to SET with different location types.
See Also	<i>motor_to_world</i> converts motor pulses to world coordinates <i>world_to_joint</i> converts world coordinates to joint angles
Category	Location: Kinematic Conversions

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## write

Description	<p>Attempts to write <i>nwords</i> from <i>buf</i> to the file descriptor <i>fd</i>. If the number of words specified in <i>nwords</i> cannot be written the command performs a blocking write, unless the file descriptor was opened with mode <code>O_NONBLOCK</code>. After writing, the file position is increased by the number of words written. This provides a sequential move through the file.</p> <p><code>write()</code> handles 4-byte words. <code>writes()</code> handles characters.</p> <p>Similar to <code>send()</code> which is used with sockets.</p>																		
Syntax	<code>command write( int <i>fd</i>, void@ <i>buf</i>, int <i>nwords</i> )</code>																		
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Example	<pre>int fd int[10] buf ... open ( fd, "filename.txt", O_RDONLY, 0 ) write ( fd, buf, sizeof(buf) )</pre>																		
See Also	<p><code>read</code>      read words from a file</p> <p><code>writes</code>     write a string to a file</p> <p><code>send</code>       write to a socket</p>																		
Category	File Input and Output: Unformatted Output																		

## writeread

Description	<p>Writes <i>wlen</i> number of words to the file descriptor <i>fd</i> and then reads at most <i>rlen</i> number of words from the file descriptor <i>fd</i>.</p> <p>This command may or may not block, depending on the flags (<code>O_NONBLOCK</code>) used when opening the file descriptor <i>fd</i> and the device driver (which may not support blocking or non-blocking modes). Many devices do not support this call, and with those devices <code>writeread()</code> returns <code>-ENODEV</code> on invocation. For example, all the file systems (MFS, NFS, etc.) do not support <code>writeread()</code>.</p>												
Syntax	<code>command writeread( int <i>fd</i>, void@ <i>wbuf</i>, int <i>wlen</i>, void@ <i>rbuf</i>, int <i>rlen</i> )</code>												
Returns	<p>Success <math>\geq 0</math> Returns the number of words read.</p> <p>Failure <math>&lt; 0</math></p> <table> <tr> <td>-EINVAL</td><td>the arguments were invalid (ie., -ve <i>fd</i>)</td></tr> <tr> <td>-EBADF</td><td>the file descriptor isn't open</td></tr> <tr> <td>-EACCESS</td><td>not open for reading and writing</td></tr> <tr> <td>-ESPIPE</td><td>can't r/w on a socket</td></tr> <tr> <td>-ENODEV</td><td>this is not a device that supports <code>writeread()</code>.</td></tr> <tr> <td>-EIO</td><td>an I/O error occurred</td></tr> </table>	-EINVAL	the arguments were invalid (ie., -ve <i>fd</i> )	-EBADF	the file descriptor isn't open	-EACCESS	not open for reading and writing	-ESPIPE	can't r/w on a socket	-ENODEV	this is not a device that supports <code>writeread()</code> .	-EIO	an I/O error occurred
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-ESPIPE	can't r/w on a socket												
-ENODEV	this is not a device that supports <code>writeread()</code> .												
-EIO	an I/O error occurred												
See Also	<p><code>write</code>      write words from a buffer to the file</p> <p><code>writes</code>     write a string to a file</p>												

	read	read words from a file
	reads	reads a string from a file
Category	File Input and Output: Unformatted Output	

## writes

Description	Writes the string <i>s</i> to the file indicated by <i>fd</i> . This is different from the write command in that a string is used, and the starting location start is the first character of the string to be sent.	
Syntax	command writes( int <i>fd</i> , var string[] <i>s</i> , int <i>start</i> )	
Returns	Success >= 0	Returns the number of characters written to the file
	Failure < 0	Returns a negative error code if the write fails.
Example	<pre>string[] buf = "only writes_test" int fd open ( fd, "/temp/writes_test", O_RDONLY, 0 ) ;; Only write "writes_test" writes ( fd, buf, 5 )           ;; start from the character 'w'</pre>	
See Also	write	
	write words to a file	
Category	File Input and Output: Unformatted Output	

## WTERMSIG

Description	Returns the actual signal number that terminated a WIFSIGNALED() process.	
Syntax	func signal_code WTERMSIG(int <i>status</i> )	
Returns	<p>Success &gt;= 0, one of:</p> <p>SIGKILL = 1</p> <p>SIGSEGV = 2</p> <p>SIGILL = 3</p> <p>SIGFPE = 4</p> <p>SIGSYS = 5</p> <p>SIGABRT = 6</p> <p>SIGINT = 7</p> <p>SIGALRM = 8</p> <p>SIGHUP = 9</p> <p>SIGPIPE = 10</p> <p>SIGSOCK = 11</p> <p>SIGRPWR = 12</p> <p>SIG13 = 13</p> <p>SIG14 = 14</p> <p>SIG15 = 15</p> <p>SIG16 = 16</p> <p>SIGCHLD = 17</p> <p>SIG18 = 18</p> <p>SIG19 = 19</p> <p>SIG20 = 20</p> <p>SIG21 = 21</p> <p>SIG22 = 22</p> <p>SIG23 = 23</p> <p>SIG24 = 24</p> <p>Failure &lt; 0</p>	
Category	System Process Control: Single and Multiple Processes Signal Handling	

**WX**

Alias

**jog\_w ...**

alias	same as
<code>wx(...)</code>	<code>jog_w(WORLD_X, ... )</code>

Description

In the world frame of reference, moves the tool centre point to the end point which is a specified distance along the X axis, in current units (millimetres or inches). This command, `wx()` is joint-interpolated. The tool centre point travels as a result of various joint motions, not in a straight line.

For cartesian-interpolated (straight line) motion, see `wxs()`.

Syntax

```
command  wx( float distance )
```

Parameters

*distance*                      the distance of travel, in current units: a float

Returns

Success = 0  
Failure < 0

Example

```
move(base_point)
wx(200)           ;; millimetres
```

RAPL-II

Similar to JOG and X, without straight line parameter.

See Also

`wxs`                      jogs like `wx`, but in straight line motion  
`jog_w`                  alias of `wx` and moves along other axes  
`wy`                      jogs like `wx`, but along Y axis  
`wz`                      jogs like `wx`, but along Z axis  
`jog_t`                  jogs like `wx`, but in tool frame of reference  
`joint`                  moves by joint degrees  
`motor`                  moves by encoder pulses

Category

Motion

**WXS**

Alias

**jog\_ws ...**

alias	same as
<code>wxs(...)</code>	<code>jog_ws(WORLD_X, ... )</code>

Description

In the world frame of reference, moves the tool centre point along the X axis by the specified distance in current units (millimetres or inches). This command, `wxs()`, is cartesian-interpolated (straight line).

For joint-interpolated (not straight) motion, see `wx()`

Syntax

```
command  wxs( float distance )
```

Parameters

*distance*                      the distance of travel, in current units or degrees: a float

Returns

Success = 0  
Failure < 0

Example

```
move(base_point)
wxs(200)          ;; millimetres
```

RAPL-II

Similar to JOG and X, with straight line parameter.

See Also

`wx`                      jogs like `wxs`, but joint interpolated  
`jog_ws`                alias of `wxs` and moves along other axes  
`wys`                      jogs like `wxs`, but along Y axis

wzs                    jogs like wxs, but along Z axis  
 jog\_ts                jogs like wxs, but in tool frame of reference  
 joint                 moves by joint degrees  
 motor                 moves by encoder pulses

Category              Motion

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## wy

Alias                   **jog\_w ...**

alias	same as
wy( ... )	jog_w(WORLD_Y, ... )

Description           In the world frame of reference, moves the tool centre point to the end point which is a specified distance along the Y axis, in current units (millimetres or inches). This command, wy() is joint-interpolated. The tool centre point travels as a result of various joint motions, not in a straight line.

For cartesian-interpolated (straight line) motion, see wys().

Syntax                command   wy( float *distance* )

Parameters           *distance*                the distance of travel, in current units: a float

Returns               Success = 0  
 Failure < 0

Example               move(base\_point)  
                          wy(200)            ;; millimetres

RAPL-II               Similar to JOG and Y, without straight line parameter.

See Also               wys                        jogs like wy, but in straight line motion  
                          jog\_w                    alias of wy and moves along other axes  
                          wx                        jogs like wy, but along X axis  
                          wz                        jogs like wy, but along Z axis  
                          jog\_t                    jogs like wy, but in tool frame of reference  
                          joint                    moves by joint degrees  
                          motor                   moves by encoder pulses

Category              Motion

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## wys

Alias                   **jog\_ws ...**

alias	same as
wys( ... )	jog_ws(WORLD_Y, ... )

Description           In the world frame of reference, moves the tool centre point along the Y axis by the specified distance in current units (millimetres or inches). This command, wys(), is cartesian-interpolated (straight line).

For joint-interpolated (not straight) motion, see wy()

Syntax                command   wys( float *distance* )

Parameters           *distance*                the distance of travel, in current units or degrees: a float

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Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre>move(base_point) wys(200)           ;; millimetres</pre>
RAPL-II	Similar to JOG and Y, with straight line parameter.
See Also	<div> <div>wy</div> <div>jogs like wys, but joint interpolated</div> </div> <div> <div>jog_ws</div> <div>alias of wys and moves along other axes</div> </div> <div> <div>wxs</div> <div>jogs like wys, but along X axis</div> </div> <div> <div>wzs</div> <div>jogs like wys, but along Z axis</div> </div> <div> <div>jog_ts</div> <div>jogs like wys, but in tool frame of reference</div> </div> <div> <div>joint</div> <div>moves by joint degrees</div> </div> <div> <div>motor</div> <div>moves by encoder pulses</div> </div>
Category	Motion

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**WZ**Alias **jog\_w ...**

alias	same as
wz(...)	jog_w(WORLD_Z, ... )

Description	<p>In the world frame of reference, moves the tool centre point to the end point which is a specified distance along the Z axis, in current units (millimetres or inches). This command, wz() is joint-interpolated. The tool centre point travels as a result of various joint motions, not in a straight line.</p> <p>For cartesian-interpolated (straight line) motion, see wzs().</p>
Syntax	<code>command wz( float distance )</code>
Parameters	<i>distance</i> the distance of travel, in current units: a float
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0
Example	<pre>move(base_point) wz(200)           ;; millimetres</pre>
RAPL-II	Similar to JOG and Z, without straight line parameter.
See Also	<div> <div>wzs</div> <div>jogs like wz, but in straight line motion</div> </div> <div> <div>jog_w</div> <div>alias of wz and moves along other axes</div> </div> <div> <div>wx</div> <div>jogs like wz, but along X axis</div> </div> <div> <div>wy</div> <div>jogs like wz, but along Y axis</div> </div> <div> <div>jog_t</div> <div>jogs like wz, but in tool frame of reference</div> </div> <div> <div>joint</div> <div>moves by joint degrees</div> </div> <div> <div>motor</div> <div>moves by encoder pulses</div> </div>
Category	Motion

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**WZS**Alias **jog\_ws ...**

alias	same as
wzs(...)	jog_ws(WORLD_Z, ... )

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Description	In the world frame of reference, moves the tool centre point along the Z axis by the specified distance in current units (millimetres or inches). This command, <code>wzs()</code> , is cartesian-interpolated (straight line).  For joint-interpolated (not straight) motion, see <code>wz()</code>	
Syntax	<code>command wzs( float distance )</code>	
Parameters	<i>distance</i>	the distance of travel, in current units or degrees: a float
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0	
Example	<code>move(base_point)</code> <code>wzs(200)       ;; millimetres</code>	
RAPL-II	Similar to JOG and Z, with straight line parameter.	
See Also	<code>wz</code> <code>jog_ws</code> <code>wxs</code> <code>wys</code> <code>jog_ts</code> <code>joint</code> <code>motor</code>	jogs like <code>wzs</code> , but joint interpolated alias of <code>wzs</code> and moves along other axes jogs like <code>wzs</code> , but along X axis jogs like <code>wzs</code> , but along Y axis jogs like <code>wzs</code> , but in tool frame of reference moves by joint degrees moves by encoder pulses
Category	Motion	

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### **xpulses\_get**

Description	Gets <code>xpulses</code> , the number of encoder pulses per revolution of a motor, for all axes.	
Syntax	<code>command xpulses_get( var int[8] pulses )</code>	
Parameter	<i>pulses</i>	the pulses of all axes: an array of ints
Returns	Success >= 0. The array 'pulses' is packed. Failure < 0	
See Also	<code>xpulses_set</code>	sets the number of pulses per revolution for an axis
Category	Robot Configuration	

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### **xpulses\_set**

Description	For an axis, sets <code>xpulses</code> , the number of encoder pulses per revolution of the motor.	
Syntax	<code>command xpulses_set( int axis , int xpulses )</code>	
Parameters	<i>axis</i> <i>xpulses</i>	the axis being set: an int the number of pulses per revolution: an int
Returns	Success >= 0 Failure < 0	
Example	<code>xpulses_set(8,1000)</code>	
RAPL-II	@XPULSES	
See Also	<code>configaxis</code> <code>xpulses_get</code>	configures an axis including sets pulses gets the number of pulses per revolution for all axes

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## xratio\_get

**Description** Gets xratio, the ratio of the number of motor turns (revolutions) per unit of joint displacement (degrees for robot joints and carousels, mm or inch for track).

**Syntax** `command xratio_get( var float[8] ratio )`

**Parameter** *ratio* the ratios for all axes: an array of up to 8 floats

**Returns** Success  $\geq 0$ . the parameter is packed  
Failure  $< 0$

**Example**

```
float[8] ratios
int check
;; get pulse to motion conversions
check = xratio_get(ratios)
```

**See Also** xratio\_set sets the ratio of conversion

Category Robot Configuration

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## xratio\_set

**Description** Sets xratio, the ratio of the number of motor turns (revolutions) per unit of joint displacement (degrees for robot joints and carousels, mm or inch for track).

**Syntax** `command xratio_set( int axis , float xratio )`

**Parameters** *axis* the axis being set: an int  
*xratio* the ratio of conversion: a float

**Returns** Success  $\geq 0$   
Failure  $< 0$

**Example** `xratio_set(8,11.5)`

**RAPL-II** @XRATIO

**See Also** configaxis configures an axis including sets ratio  
xratio\_get gets the ratio of conversion

Category Robot Configuration

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## xrot

Alias **jog\_w ...**

alias	same as
<code>xrot(...)</code>	<code>jog_w(WORLD_XROT, ...)</code>

**Description** In the world frame of reference, rotates the tool around the X axis by the specified degrees.

This command, xrot(), is joint-interpolated. The end-point is determined and the tool travels to it as a result of various joint motions. The start point and end point for the tool centre point are the same (no change in distance along the axis

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or angle between the axis and the tool), but the start position and end position of the tool are different.

For cartesian-interpolated (straight line) motion, see `xrots()`.

Syntax	<code>command xrot( float distance )</code>	
Parameters	<i>distance</i>	the distance of travel, in current units or degrees: a float
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0	
Example	<pre> appro(centre) pitch(45)           ;; pitch around tool point xrot(45)            ;; rotate around world X axis </pre>	
RAPL-II	<p>Similar to JOG, without straight line parameter.</p> <p>Also similar to ROLL. In RAPL-II this name was used for a rotation in the world frame of reference. In RAPL-3, the world rotation is called <code>xrot</code> and the tool rotation is called <code>roll</code>.</p>	
See Also	<code>xrots</code> like <code>xrot</code> , but in straight-line mode <code>jog_w</code> like <code>xrot</code> and around and along all axes <code>yrot</code> rotates around world Y axis <code>zrot</code> rotates around world Z axis <code>jog_t</code> jogs, but in tool frame of reference <code>joint</code> moves by joint degrees <code>motor</code> moves by encoder pulses	
Category	Motion	

## xrots

Alias **jog\_ws ...**

alias	same as
<code>xrots(...)</code>	<code>jog_ws(WORLD_XROT, ...)</code>

Description In the world frame of reference, rotates the tool around the X axis by the specified degrees.

This command, `xrots()`, is cartesian-interpolated (straight-line). The tool centre point travels in a straight line along the axis to the end point.

For joint-interpolated (not straight) motion, see `xrot()`.

Syntax	<code>command xrots( float distance )</code>	
Parameters	<i>distance</i>	the distance of travel, in current units or degrees: a float
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0	
Example	<pre> appro(centre) pitch(45)           ;; pitch around tool point xrots(45)           ;; rotate around world X axis </pre>	
RAPL-II	<p>Similar to JOG, with straight line parameter.</p> <p>Also similar to ROLL. In RAPL-II this name was used for a rotation in the world frame of reference. In RAPL-3, the world rotation is called <code>xrot</code> and the tool rotation is called <code>roll</code>.</p>	



See Also	xrot	like xrots, but joint-interpolated
	jog_w	like xrots and around and along all axes
	yrots	rotates around world Y axis
	zrots	rotates around world Z axis
	jog_t	jogs, but in tool frame of reference
	joint	moves by joint degrees
	motor	moves by encoder pulses
Category	Motion	

## yaw

Alias **jog\_t ...**

alias	same as
yaw(...)	jog_t(TOOL_YAW, ... )

Description In the tool frame of reference, rotates around the normal axis, by the specified number of degrees.

motion	axis		
	common name	F3 coordinate system	A465/A255 coordinate system
yaw	normal	X	Z

This command, yaw(), is joint-interpolated. The end position is determined and the tool travels to it as a result of various joint motions. The start point and end point for the tool centre point are the same (no change in distance along the axis or angle between the axis and the tool), but the start position and end position of the tool are different by the amount of rotation.

For cartesian-interpolated (straight line) motion, see yaws().

Syntax	command yaw( float <i>distance</i> )
Parameter	<i>distance</i> the amount of rotation in degrees: a float
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0
Example	yaw( 45 ) yaw( -8.25 )
Application Shell	Same as yaw.
RAPL-II	No equivalent. In RAPL-II, YAW performed a different motion. See zrot.
See Also	yaws moves around the tool normal axis, but in straight line motion pitch moves around the tool orientation axis roll moves around the tool approach/depart axis
Category	Motion

## yaws

Alias **jog\_ts ...**

alias	same as
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yaws(...)	jog_ts(TOOL_YAW, ... )
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Description In the tool frame of reference, rotates around the normal axis, by the specified number of degrees.

motion	axis		
	common name	F3 coordinate system	A465/A255 coordinate system
yaw	normal	X	Z

This command, yaws(), is cartesian-interpolated (straight-line) motion. The tool centre point stays on the axis, in the same place, while the tool rotates around the axis.

For joint-interpolated motion, see yaw().

Syntax `command yaws( float distance )`

Parameter *distance* the amount of rotation in degrees: a float

Returns Success = 0  
Failure < 0

Example `yaws( 45 )`  
`yaws( -57.5 )`

Application Shell Same as yaws.

RAPL-II No equivalent. In RAPL-II, YAW performed a different motion. See zrots.

See Also yaw moves around the tool normal axis, but joint-interpolated  
pitches moves around the tool orientation axis in straight line motion  
rolls moves around the tool approach/depart axis in straight line motion

Category Motion

## yrot

Alias `jog_w ...`

alias	same as
yrot(...)	jog_w(WORLD_YROT, ... )

Description In the world frame of reference, rotates the tool around the Y axis by the specified degrees.

This command, yrot(), is joint-interpolated. The end-point is determined and the tool travels to it as a result of various joint motions. The start point and end point for the tool centre point are the same (no change in distance along the axis or angle between the axis and the tool), but the start position and end position of the tool are different.

For cartesian-interpolated (straight line) motion, see yrots().

Syntax `command yrot( float distance )`

Parameter *distance* the distance of travel, in current units or degrees: a float

Returns Success = 0  
Failure < 0

Example	<pre>appro(centre)           ;; pitch around tool point pitch(45)                ;; rotate around world Y axis yrot(45)</pre>	
RAPL-II	<p>Similar to JOG, without straight line parameter.</p> <p>Also similar to PITCH. In RAPL-II this name was used for a rotation in the world frame of reference. In RAPL-3, the world rotation is called yrot and the tool rotation is called pitch.</p>	
See Also	<pre>yrots jog_w xrot zrot jog_t joint motor</pre>	<pre>like yrot, but in straight-line mode like yrot and around and along all axes rotates around world X axis rotates around world Z axis jogs, but in tool frame of reference moves by joint degrees moves by encoder pulses</pre>
Category	Motion and Locations: Motion	

## yrots

Alias

**jog\_ws ...**

alias	same as
yrots(...)	jog_ws(WORLD_YROT, ...)

Description	<p>In the world frame of reference, rotates the tool around the Y axis by the specified degrees.</p> <p>This command, yrots(), is cartesian-interpolated (straight-line). The tool centre point travels in a straight line along the axis to the end point.</p> <p>For joint-interpolated (not straight) motion, see yrot().</p>	
Syntax	command yrots( float <i>distance</i> )	
Parameter	<i>distance</i>	the distance of travel, in current units or degrees: a float
Returns	Success = 0 Failure < 0	
Example	<pre>appro(centre) pitch(45)           ;; pitch around tool point yrots(45)          ;; rotate around world Y axis</pre>	
RAPL-II	<p>Similar to JOG, with straight line parameter.</p> <p>Also similar to PITCH. In RAPL-II this name was used for a rotation in the world frame of reference. In RAPL-3, the world rotation is called yrot and the tool rotation is called pitch.</p>	
See Also	yrot jog_w xrots zrots jog_t joint motor	like yrots, but joint-interpolated like yrots and around and along all axes rotates around world X axis rotates around world Z axis jogs, but in tool frame of reference moves by joint degrees moves by encoder pulses
Category	Motion	

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## zero

Description	Sets all the current motor position registers to 0.
Syntax	<code>command zero()</code>
Returns	Success $\geq 0$ Failure $< 0$
Example	<code>zero()</code>
RAPL-II	Same as @ZERO.
See Also	here        stores a location in a location variable pos_get     gets the position of the robot pos_set     sets the position of the robot to any value
Category	Calibration Home

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## zrot

Alias

**jog\_w ...**

alias	same as
<code>zrot(...)</code>	<code>jog_w(WORLD_ZROT,... )</code>

Description        In the world frame of reference, rotates the tool around the Z axis by the specified degrees.

This command, `zrot()`, is joint-interpolated. The end-point is determined and the tool travels to it as a result of various joint motions. The start point and end point for the tool centre point are the same (no change in distance along the axis or angle between the axis and the tool), but the start position and end position of the tool are different.

For cartesian-interpolated (straight line) motion, see `zrots()`.

Syntax	<code>command zrot( float distance )</code>
Parameter	<i>distance</i> the distance of travel, in current units or degrees: a float
Returns	Success = 0 Failure $< 0$
Example	<code>appro(centre)</code> <code>pitch(45)            ;; pitch around tool point</code> <code>zrot(45)            ;; rotate around world Z axis</code>
RAPL-II	Similar to JOG, without straight line parameter.  Also similar to YAW. In RAPL-II this name was used for a rotation in the world frame of reference. In RAPL-3, the world rotation is called <code>zrot</code> and the tool rotation is called <code>yaw</code> .
See Also	<code>zrots</code> like <code>zrot</code> , but in straight-line mode <code>jog_w</code> like <code>zrot</code> and around and along all axes <code>xrot</code> rotates around world X axis <code>yrot</code> rotates around world Y axis <code>jog_t</code> jogs, but in tool frame of reference <code>joint</code> moves by joint degrees <code>motor</code> moves by encoder pulses
Category	Motion

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**zrots**

Alias

**jog\_ws ...**

alias	same as
zrots(...)	jog_ws(WORLD_ZROT, ...)

Description

In the world frame of reference, rotates the tool around the Z axis by the specified degrees.

This command, zrots(), is cartesian-interpolated (straight-line). The tool centre point travels in a straight line along the axis to the end point.

For joint-interpolated (not straight) motion, see zrot().

Syntax

command    zrots( float *distance* )

Parameter

*distance*                    the distance of travel, in current units or degrees: a float

Returns

Success = 0  
Failure < 0

Example

```
appro(centre)
pitch(45)           ;; pitch around tool point
zrots(45)           ;; rotate around world Z axis
```

RAPL-II

Similar to JOG, with straight line parameter.

Also similar to YAW. In RAPL-II this name was used for a rotation in the world frame of reference. In RAPL-3, the world rotation is called zrot and the tool rotation is called yaw.

See Also

zrot	like zrots, but joint-interpolated
jog_w	like zrots and around and along all axes
xrots	rotates around world X axis
yrots	rotates around world Y axis
jog_t	jogs, but in tool frame of reference
joint	moves by joint degrees
motor	moves by encoder pulses

Category

Motion



## APPENDICES

# Signals

Symbol	Number	Description	Default Action
SIGKILL	1	Kill (cannot be masked or modified)	Terminate
SIGSEGV	2	Segmentation violation	Terminate
SIGILL	3	Illegal instruction	Terminate
SIGFPE	4	Floating point exception	Terminate
SIGSYS	5	Bad argument to system call	Terminate
SIGABRT	6	Abort	Terminate
SIGINT	7	Interrupt	Terminate
SIGALRM	8	Alarm clock	Terminate
SIGHUP	9	Hang up	Terminate
SIGPIPE	10	Write to pipe, but no process to read it	Terminate
SIGSOCK	11	Write to socket, but no process to read it	Terminate
SIGRPWR	12	Robot power fail	Terminate
SIG13	13	Undefined	Terminate
SIG14	14	Undefined	Terminate
SIG15	15	Undefined	Terminate
SIG16	16	Undefined	Terminate
SIGCHLD	17	Child process died	Ignore
SIG18	18	Undefined	Ignore
SIG19	19	Undefined	Ignore
SIG20	20	Undefined	Ignore
SIG21	21	Undefined	Ignore
SIG22	22	Undefined	Ignore
SIG23	23	Reserved for system use	Ignore (non-interruptible)
SIG24	24	Reserved for system use	Ignore (will interrupt a process blocked on socket i/o)

Any signal interrupts `msleep()` or `waitpid()`.

Signal  $\leq 8$ , SIGKILL to SIGALRM, interrupts WAITIO, WAITSOCK, WAITSEM.

Signal 11, SIGSOCK, interrupts WAITSOCK.

WAITIO, WAITSOCK, and WAITSEM are states that a process can be in.

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