
HDK example

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INTRODUCTION

The HDK (Hardware Development Kit) is a tool which has the purpose of serving as a template to facilitate the development of Device Control Systems (DCS).

HDK HARDWARE

The main hardware component of the HDK is the control panel, displayed in [Fig. 2.1](#):

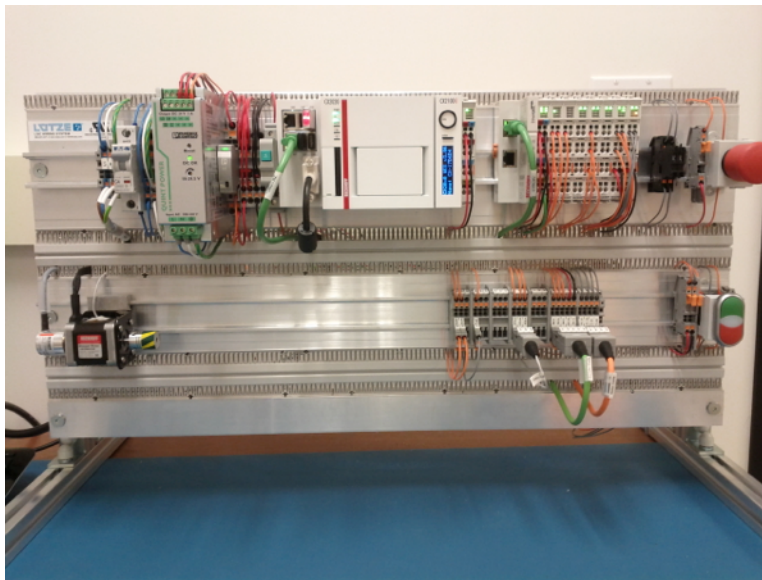


Fig. 2.1: HDK Hardware Control Panel

The panel has two DIN rails with all the necessary components. The top rail contains the power section on the left, an embedded PC in the central part, and the Ethercat I/O modules on the right ([Fig. 2.2](#)), as well as an emergency button ([Fig. 2.3](#)). The lower rail contains a stepper motor on the left with a temperature probe ([Fig. 2.4](#)), the terminal blocks interface and a couple of push buttons with a led on the right side ([Fig. 2.5](#)).

For more details on the HDK hardware architecture, refer to GMT document GMT-SWC-DOC-00710.

2.1 Connection to the DCC

The HDK can be controlled using its embedded PC, or using a Real Time Linux DCC. In this example we will use the latter option.

Note: The following instructions assume that the Linux Real Time kernel and the Ethercat drivers have been installed in the DCC, according to the instructions in the Installation Guide document.

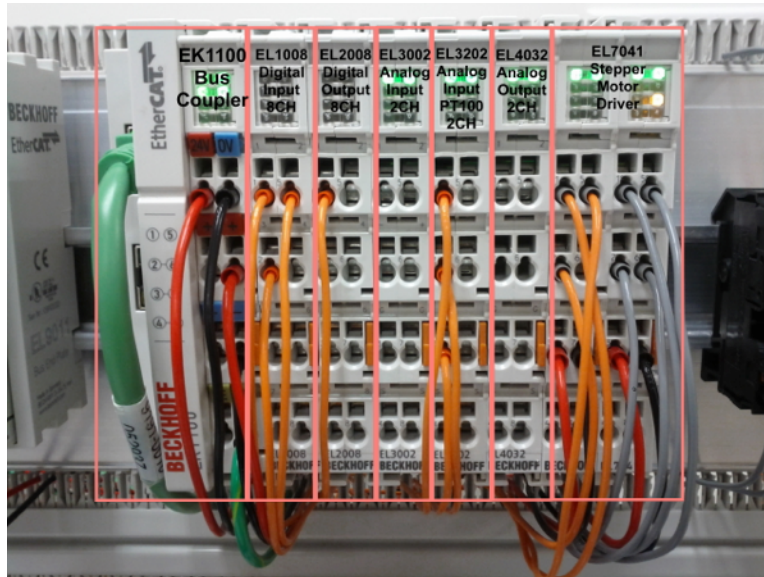


Fig. 2.2: HDK I/O modules

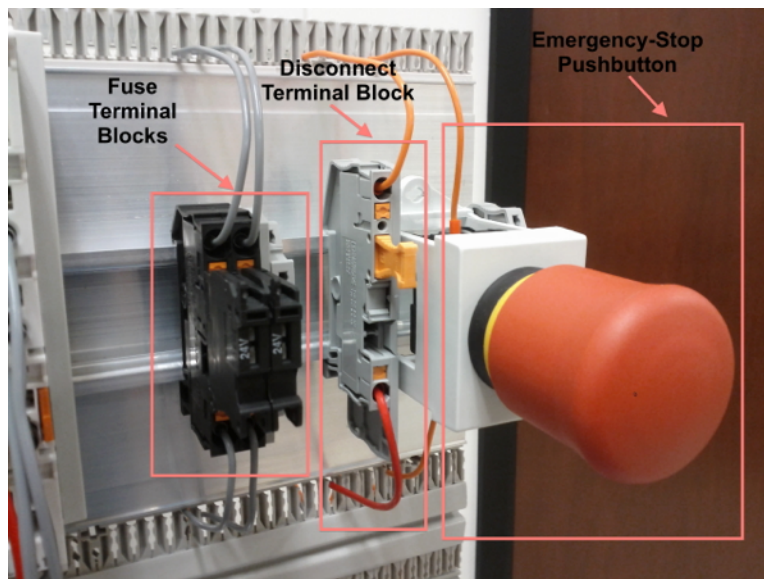


Fig. 2.3: HDK emergency button

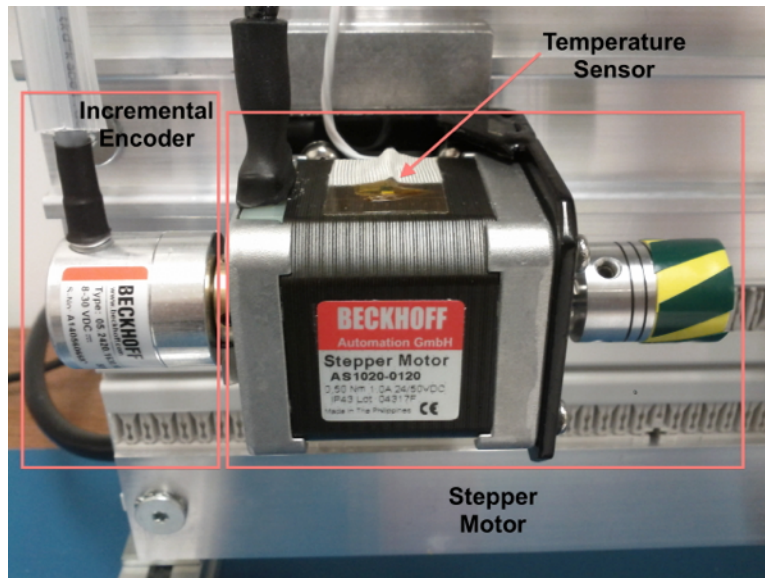


Fig. 2.4: HDK stepper motor

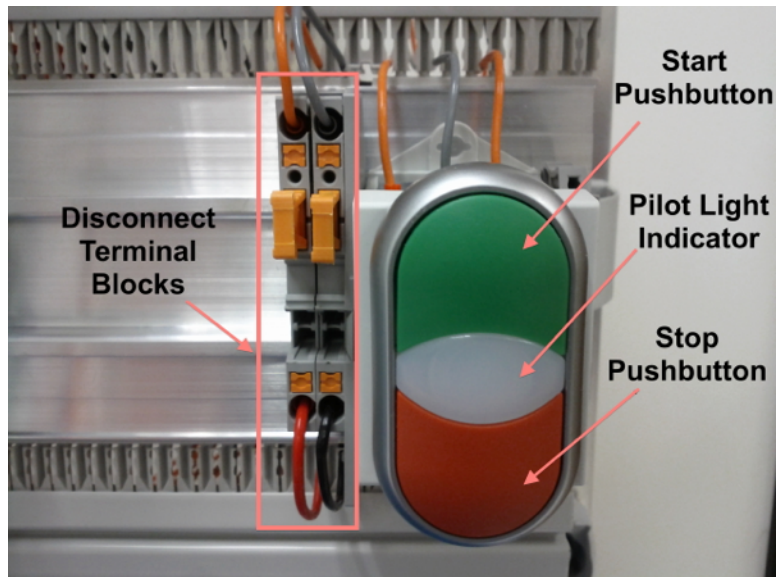


Fig. 2.5: HDK pushbuttons

The EtherCAT bus must be connected to the RJ-45 connector that is located to the left of the I/O modules block (see Fig. 2.6). The other end of the bus must be connected to the EtherCAT port of the Real Time Linux DCC.

We can check that the installation has been done correctly using the `ethercat` command in the Linux machine. If we execute:

```
$ ethercat slaves
```

then the returned output must be:

```
0 0:0 PREOP + EK1100 EtherCAT-Koppler (2A E-Bus)
1 0:1 PREOP + EL1008 8K. Dig. Eingang 24V, 3ms
2 0:2 PREOP + EL2008 8K. Dig. Ausgang 24V, 0.5A
3 0:3 PREOP + EL3002 2K.Ana. Eingang +/-10V
4 0:4 PREOP + EL3202 2K.Ana. Eingang PT100 (RTD)
5 0:5 PREOP + EL4032 2K. Ana. Ausgang +/-10V, 12bit
6 0:6 PREOP + EL7041 1K. Schrittmotor-Endstufe (50V, 5A)
7 0:7 PREOP + EL9508 Netzteilklemme 8V
8 0:8 PREOP + EL3356 1K . Ana. Eingang, Widerstandsbrücke, 16bit, hochgenau
9 0:9 PREOP + EL3356-0010 1K . Ana. Eingang, Widerstandsbrücke, 24bit, hochge
```

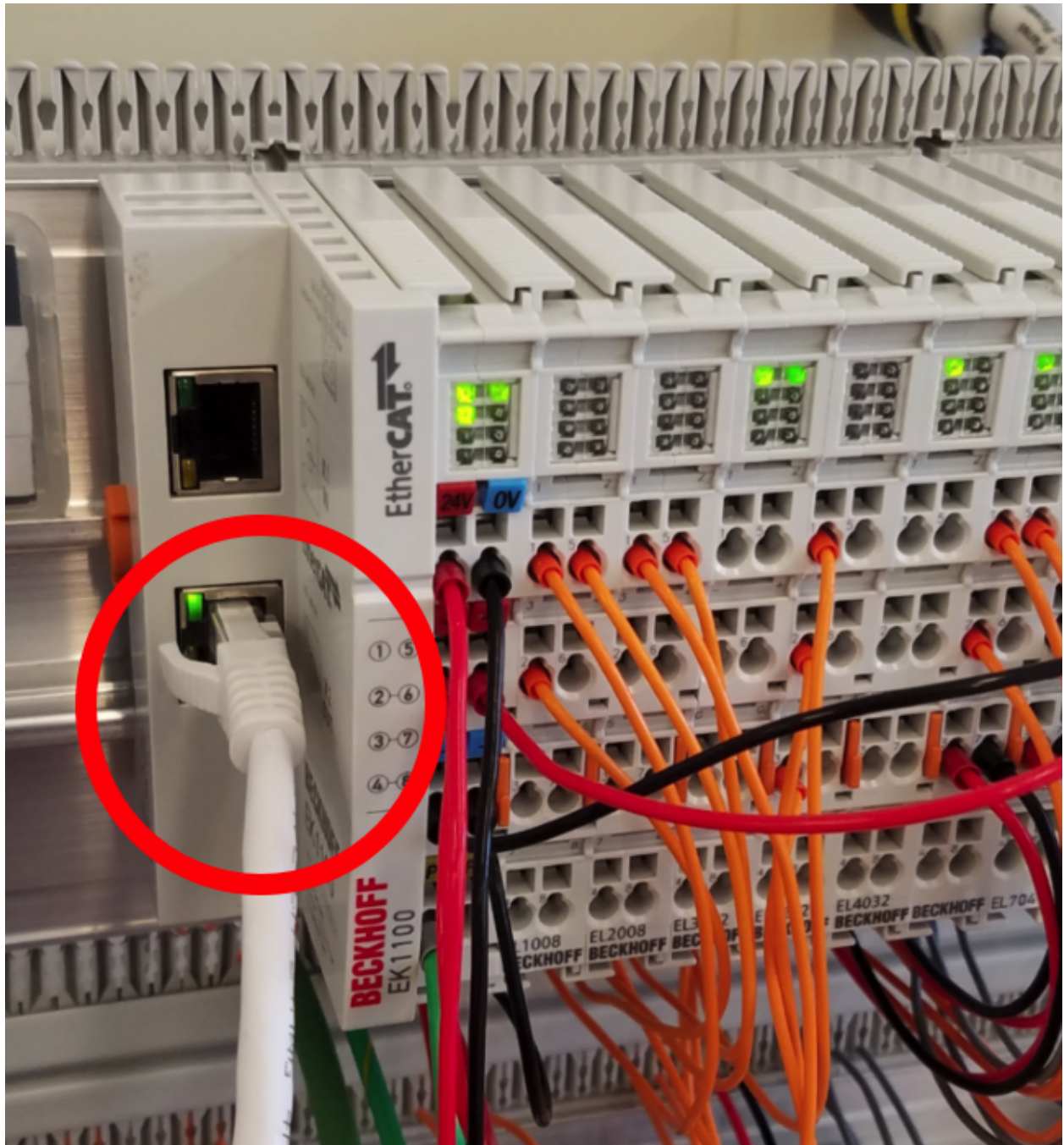



Fig. 2.6: HDK panel EtherCAT bus connection

HDK SOFTWARE

3.1 Clone the `hdk_dcs` repository

On the real-time DCC, clone the repository in the development folder:

```
$ cd $GMT_LOCAL/modules
$ gds clone hdk_dcs -d gmt0
```

where the `-d` option defines the git repository owner. The output of the command will be:

```
Cloning into 'ocs_hdk_dcs'...
remote: Counting objects: 548, done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (44/44), done.
remote: Total 548 (delta 7), reused 19 (delta 1), pack-reused 503
Receiving objects: 100% (548/548), 97.69 KiB | 1.81 MiB/s, done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (247/247), done.
[INF] [gds] clone module hdk_dcs
[INF] [hdk_dcs] Cloning module: hdk_dcs
```

3.2 Model files

The model files can be found in the `$GMT_LOCAL/modules/ocs_hdk_dcs/model/` folder.

webpack.config.coffee It has the `webpack` directives which are needed to build the model

hdk_dcs_ld.coffee It is the “loader” file. It contains the ``require`` directives to load the rest of the files.

hdk_dcs.coffee Lists the connectors between the components and the external environment.

hdk_dcs_def.coffee High-level definition file, representing the WBS for the submodule. It lists the components, as well as their implementation language, and other properties.

hdk_dcs_types.coffee Definitions of structs and data types used by the HDK components.

hdk_dcs.rst Text file, in RST format, describing the module.

hdk_ctrl_pkg/hdk_ctrl_fb.coffee Fieldbus definitions for the HDK control package.

hdk_ctrl_pkg/hdk_ctrl_pkg.coffee Lists the connectors between the components of the *hdk_ctrl_pkg* package.

hdk_ctrl_pkg/hdk_main_ctrl.coffee Definition of the *Main HDK Controller* component. State variables, input and output ports are specified here. A single instance called **hdk_main_ctrl** will be created.

hdk_ctrl_pkg/hdk_hw_adapter.coffee Definition of the *Hardware Adapter* component, used to interface with the HDK Actuators and Sensors. State variables, input and output ports are specified here. A single instance called **hdk_hw1_adapter** will be created.

hdk_main_ctrl		hdk_hw_adapter		EtherCAT FB
hmi_inputs	<-----	operator_buttons		
motor_state	<-----	motor_state		
temperatures	<-----	temperatures		
hmi_outputs	----->	operator_leds		
motor_ctrl	----->	motor_ctrl		
sdo_config	----->	sdo_in		

3.3 Code generation

The hdk_dcs repository already has the source code of the HDK, so it is not necessary to generate it.

Warning: If the source code is generated again using *gds*, all the source files will be overwritten, including the step function implementations. By default, *gds* will preserve the step function files by copying the the previous version of the `<component>_step.cpp` files to `<component>_step.cpp.preserve`. If compilation fails, check the file differences between the repository files and the generated files for manual changes that may have to be reapplied.

If the source code needs to be generated again (for example, if some feature to the components must be added), then it can be done using the standard procedure:

```
$ cd $GMT_LOCAL/modules/ocs_hdk_dcs/model
$ webpack
$ gds gen hdk_dcs
```

After re-generating code from the model, all manual changes will need to be re-applied.

3.4 HDK Main Controller Behavior

The behavior of the HDK is defined in the *hdk_main_ctrl* component, and more specifically, in the `step()` function of this controller.

The file that contains the HDK controller step function is `hdk_main_ctrl_step.cpp`. To visualize or edit it:

```
$ cd $GMT_LOCAL/modules/ocs_hdk_dcs/src/cpp/
$ cd hdk_ctrl_pkg/hdk_main_ctrl
$ vi hdk_main_ctrl_step.cpp
```

The contents of the file is:

```
#include "hdk_main_ctrl.h"

using namespace gmt;
```

```

void HdkMainCtrl::step(bool setup_ok) {
    if (setup_ok)
    {
        if (!hmi_inputs.emergency_button)
        {
            motor_ctrl.velocity = 0;
            motor_ctrl.enable = false;
        }
        else if (motor_state.ready && !motor_state.enabled)
        {
            // enable motor if not enabled
            motor_ctrl.enable = true;
        }

        if (motor_state.enabled)
        {
            if (hmi_inputs.green_push_button)
            {
                motor_ctrl.velocity++;
            }

            if (hmi_inputs.red_push_button)
            {
                motor_ctrl.velocity--;
            }

            if (!hmi_inputs.emergency_button)
            {
                motor_ctrl.velocity = 0;
                motor_ctrl.enable = false;
            }
        }

        bool moving = motor_state.moving_positive || motor_state.
↪moving_negative;
        hmi_outputs.pilot = moving; // pilot on when moving
        hmi_outputs.emergency_light = !hmi_inputs.emergency_button; // ligh on when_
↪button pressed

        float estimated_temperature = temperatures.temp_sensor1 / 10.0; // 10.0 will_
↪be a property

        if (is_step_rate(100)) // every 100 steps = 1 second
        {
            // following values should go to user interface
            log_info("Green button = " + std::to_string(hmi_inputs.green_push_
↪button));
            log_info("Red button = " + std::to_string(hmi_inputs.red_push_button));
            log_info("Emergency = " + std::to_string(hmi_inputs.emergency_button));
            log_info("Temperature = " + std::to_string(estimated_temperature));
            log_info("Temperature1 = " + std::to_string(temperatures.temp_sensor1));
            log_info("Temperature2 = " + std::to_string(temperatures.temp_sensor2));
            log_info("Axis Ready = " + std::to_string(motor_state.ready));
            log_info("Axis Enabled = " + std::to_string(motor_state.enabled));
            log_info("Axis Warning = " + std::to_string(motor_state.warning));
            log_info("Axis Error = " + std::to_string(motor_state.error));
            log_info("Axis Moving+ = " + std::to_string(motor_state.moving_positive));

```

```

        log_info("Axis Moving- = " + std::to_string(motor_state.moving_negative));
    }

    if(is_step_rate(500))  // every 500 steps = 5 seconds
    {
        // flip bit to indicate component is alive
        hmi_outputs.heartbeat = !hmi_outputs.heartbeat;
    }
}

```

This step function has 5 parts:

1. Emergency button
2. Motor control
3. LEDs control
4. Logs
5. Heartbeat LED

3.4.1 Step function. Emergency button section

The first code block of the step function is

```

if (!hmi_inputs.emergency_button)
{
    motor_ctrl.velocity = 0;
    motor_ctrl.enable = false;
}
else if (motor_state.ready && !motor_state.enabled)
{
    // enable motor if not enabled
    motor_ctrl.enable = true;
}

```

In the field `emergency_button` of the `hmi_inputs` input port we have the state of the emergency button, in inverse logic (so it is False when it is pushed, and True when not). The above code block disables the stepper motor and sets the velocity to 0 when the emergency button is activated, and enables the motor if not.

3.4.2 Step function. Motor control

The next section of code implements the motor control:

```

if (motor_state.enabled)
{
    if (hmi_inputs.green_push_button)
    {
        motor_ctrl.velocity++;
    }

    if (hmi_inputs.red_push_button)
    {
        motor_ctrl.velocity--;
    }
}

```

```

    if (!hmi_inputs.emergency_button)
    {
        motor_ctrl.velocity = 0;
        motor_ctrl.enable = false;
    }
}

```

In the `green_push_button` field of the `hmi_inputs` input port we have the state of the green push button of the HDK panel (True when pushed, False when not) and in the field `red_push_button` we have the state of the red button (see Fig. 2.5).

The `motor_ctrl` output port has 3 fields: the `velocity` field, which will be forwarded to the stepper motor as the velocity set point; the `enable`, which will control if the motor is enabled or not; and the `reset`, which resets the motor in case of failure.

The logic of the section is straightforward: if the green button is pushed, the velocity will be increased; if the red button is pushed the velocity will be decreased; and if the emergency button is pushed then the motor is disabled.

3.4.3 Step function. LEDs control

The next code section takes care of the control of the LEDs:

```

bool moving = motor_state.moving_positive || motor_state.moving_negative;
hmi_outputs.pilot = moving; // pilot on when moving
hmi_outputs.emergency_light = !hmi_inputs.emergency_button; // lighth on when button_
↪pressed

```

In the first line we read the motion state of the stepper motor, and in the second line we light the white led (see Fig. 2.5) if the motor is moving. In the third line, we light the red led (Fig. 2.3) if the emergency button is pushed.

3.4.4 Step function. Logs

Once each second, the HDK application produces some logs to inform about the slaves readings:

```

if (is_step_rate(100)) // every 100 steps = 1 second
{
    // following values should go to user interface
    log_info("Green button = " + std::to_string(hmi_inputs.green_push_button));
    log_info("Red button = " + std::to_string(hmi_inputs.red_push_button));
    log_info("Emergency = " + std::to_string(hmi_inputs.emergency_button));
    log_info("Temperature = " + std::to_string(estimated_temperature));
    log_info("Temperature1 = " + std::to_string(temperatures.temp_sensor1));
    log_info("Temperature2 = " + std::to_string(temperatures.temp_sensor2));
    log_info("Axis Ready = " + std::to_string(motor_state.ready));
    log_info("Axis Enabled = " + std::to_string(motor_state.enabled));
    log_info("Axis Warning = " + std::to_string(motor_state.warning));
    log_info("Axis Error = " + std::to_string(motor_state.error));
    log_info("Axis Moving+ = " + std::to_string(motor_state.moving_positive));
    log_info("Axis Moving- = " + std::to_string(motor_state.moving_negative));
}

```

The `is_step_rate(num)` function returns true once each `num` steps, so the above code gets executed once each 100 steps. As the HDK scan rate is 100 Hz, this section is entered once each second.

Inside the *if* statement we have several ``log_info`` to show the different variables. The ``log_info`` method is inherited from the *BaseComponent* base class, and it sends the given string to the Log Service.

3.4.5 Step function. Heartbeat LED

Finally, the section

```
if(is_step_rate(500)) // every 500 steps = 5 seconds
{
    // flip bit to indicate component is alive
    hmi_outputs.heartbeat = !hmi_outputs.heartbeat;
}
```

inverts the state of the heartbeat LED, with a period of 5 seconds. This digital output is not actually wired to any hardware device, but the change is visible in the LED array of the digital output EL2008 Ethercat slave.

3.5 Compilation

To compile the C++ Control Package code of the HDK, edit the `module.mk` file to contain the correct library definitions:

```
$ vi $GMT_LOCAL/modules/ocs_hdk_dcs/src/cpp/hdk_ctrl_pkg/module.mk
```

Ensure that the following lines are defined:

```
# Add in this file the compile flags for the package, eg:
MOD_BUILD_LDFLAGS += -lcore_core_pkg -lio_core_pkg -lctrl_core_pkg -lio_ethercat_pkg
MOD_BUILD_LDFLAGS += -lethercat
```

Run **make** to compile the code:

```
$ cd $GMT_LOCAL/modules/ocs_hdk_dcs/src/cpp
$ make
```

3.6 Running the Example

Start the logging and telemetry services:

```
$ log_server &
$ tele_server &
```

Start the HDK application in the background

```
$ hdk_ctrl_app &
```

The application is running in the background and will not provide any console output. All output will be directed to the logging service after the components have been successfully set up.

3.6.1 Log client

In a separate terminal (for example, *tty2*), **start the logging service client**.

```
$ log_client
```

3.6.2 Telemetry client

In a separate terminal (for example *tty3*), **start the telemetry service client**.

```
$ tele_client
```

3.6.3 Component setup

In the first terminal (*tty1*), **initialize all components**

```
$ cd $GMT_LOCAL/modules/ocs_hdk_dcs/src/etc  
$ ./send_config.coffee
```

Switch to the session running the logging service client (*tty2*), and confirm that the expected components are logging step info.

3.6.4 HDK operation

Now the HDK is available to be operated. The behaviour of the system will be the described one:

- If the emergency button is pressed, then the stepper motor will be disabled, and the red led of the emergency button will be on.
- If the emergency button is released, then the stepper motor will be enabled, and the red led of the emergency button will be off.
- When the emergency button is released, if the green button is pushed then the velocity of the stepper motor will be increased.
- When the emergency button is released, if the red button is pushed then the velocity of the stepper motor will be decreased.
- If the motor is moving, then the pilot led between the buttons will be on.

CREATING A CUSTOM UI PANEL

To create a custom UI panel to load in the UI, a vis package is required. We'll first register this package in the model, then export the code that will be run by the UI framework.

4.1 Updating the model

```
$ cd $GMT_LOCAL/modules/ocs_hdk_dcs/model
$ mkdir hdk_vis_pkg
$ touch hdk_custom_view.coffee
```

Edit `hdk_custom_view.coffee`, and add the following code

```
Panel "hdk_custom_view",
  info: 'Example view for HDK'
```

Now edit `$GMT_LOCAL/modules/ocs_hdk_dcs/model/hdk_dcs_def.coffee` with following

```
module.exports =
  elements:
    hdk_ctrl_pkg:
      # Leave unchanged.

    # Add this
    hdk_vis_pkg:
      elements:
        hdk_custom_view: { language: ['coffee'], build: 'obj', deploy: 'dist
↩',   codegen: false, active: true}
```

Finally edit `$GMT_LOCAL/modules/ocs_hdk_dcs/model/hdk_dcs_ld.coffee` to require the new vis package coffee file.

```
...
require './hdk_vis_pkg/hdk_custom_view'

module.exports = require './hdk_dcs_def'
```

This step is to register a vis package in the OCS model. This package is only visible after you rebuild your model with webpack and re-launch the navigator app.

Note: Future releases will make more use of these model definition files. For now a single *Panel* definition is required for the vis_pkg to become visible to the UI framework.

4.2 Simple ‘Hello World’ panel

Now that your vis package is visible to the model, you need to write some UI code.

```
$ cd $GMT_LOCAL/modules/ocs_hdk_dcs/src/coffee
$ mkdir hdk_vis_pkg
$ touch hdk_vis_pkg.coffee
```

The `$GMT_LOCAL/modules/ocs_hdk_dcs/src/coffee/hdk_vis_pkg/hdk_vis_pkg.coffee` file is imported by the Engineering application when you launch it with a `--panel` parameter. There is nothing in that file yet, so we’ll first create a ‘Hello World’ example.

```
$ cd $GMT_LOCAL/modules/ocs_hdk_dcs/src/coffee/hdk_vis_pkg
$ touch hello.coffee
```

Now edit the `hello.coffee` and add the following

```
import { Panel } from 'ocs_ui_fw/ui'

View = () =>
  <Panel>
    Hello World!
  </Panel>

export default View
```

That effectively renders a ‘Hello World’ message in a UI panel. This is still not visible the the Engineering app, for that you’ll need to export that `View` in the `hdk_vis_pkg.coffee` file

Edit `$GMT_LOCAL/modules/ocs_hdk_dcs/src/coffee/hdk_vis_pkg/hdk_vis_pkg.coffee`

Note: When you export default modules, the name you use to import does not matter. This is why the declared `View` can be exported as `View` and imported as `HelloWorld`.

```
import HelloWorld from './hello'

views = [
  nav: 'hdk_dcs/hdk_hello_world_view'
  type: 'hdk_hello_world_view'
  Component: HelloWorld
]

export default views
```

Note: The `type` key is used by the navigator app to locate your exported `View`. The `--panel` parameter in the cli app needs to be the same as the `type` value. The `nav` key provides a navigation tree hint that for the general engineering app. This way your panel is exposed both as a custom panel, and is also read by the engineering app.

It should now be possible to see this view by running the `--panel` flag on the navigator cli app.

```
$ navigator --panel hdk_hello_world_view --port 9197
```

4.3 Complex panel

That example is to get your feet wet, but you'll want to render more complex views of your components. The UI framework provides an abstraction that parallels the *step* function of your components. This abstraction provides the data you expose through your output ports and state var values, and provides a way to send values to input ports and state var goals.

First, let's create the *Step* rendering function. We will create a step function for the `hdk_main_ctrl` model. The data that the step render function exposes comes from the `hdk_main_ctrl.coffee` model.

```
$ cd $GMT_LOCAL/modules/ocs_hdk_dcs/src/coffee/hdk_vis_pkg
$ touch hdk_main_ctrl_step.coffee
```

Now edit `hdk_main_ctrl_step.coffee`, and add the following boilerplate code. Note that if you decide to create a step render function for another component you'll need to edit only a few lines of boilerplate. Mainly the config path and the component name.

```
import { Store } from 'ocs_ui_fw/ui'

config = require '../etc/conf/hdk_ctrl_pkg/hdk_main_ctrl/hdk_main_ctrl_config'

dcs = 'hdk_dcs'
component = 'hdk_main_ctrl'

# Default options
options =
  type: "@#{dcs.toUpperCase()}//#{component.toUpperCase()}"
  key: "#{dcs}/#{component}"

# Initialize ports to start data streams
Store.initPorts config, options

# Create step function view renderer
Step =
  Render: Store.renderStep config, options

export default Step
```

This creates the step render function, but you'll need to write a separate view to render that content.

Note: This loads the configuration file that's usually auto-generated when you build your model. The configuration needs to have accessible url definitions. In some cases that means having opened firewall ports when you're component is running on a separate machine. The navigator app reads those url's to receive and render data.

To open a firewall port in Fedora, you can run `sudo firewall-cmd --add-port=8122-8124/tcp` where 8122-8124 is a port range you want to open.

The *Step.Render* function maps the model declared in `hdk_main_ctrl` to a renderable *View*. The function exposes `input_ports`, `output_ports` and `state_vars` declared in the model. Note that a combination of the `hdk_main_ctrl_config` and `hdk_main_ctrl` model is used to generate this function. To see an example of this in use, we'll need to create a separate view.

In this example, we'll visualize the digital outputs to the control lights. This is the `hmi_outputs` in the `hdk_main_ctrl` model. `hmi_outputs` is defined as an output port of type `hdk_hmi_leds`. In the DCS types, the `hdk_hmi_leds` type is a `StructType`.

Note: The `hmi_outputs` url needs to be an accessible *TCP* port. In most cases, you should define the URL explicitly as the IP address of the machine. So `url: 'tcp://127.0.0.1:8104'` should be `url: 'tcp://10.20.10.12:8104'` when your machine's IP is 10.20.10.12. Additionally, the navigator app can only subscribe to pub protocols, so your port should be set to `protocol: 'pub'`. Reading telemetry from other protocols is planned for a future release.

```
$ cd $GMT_LOCAL/modules/ocs_hdk_dcs/src/coffee/hdk_vis_pkg
$ touch hdk_main_ctrl_view.coffee
```

Now edit `hdk_main_ctrl_view.coffee` with the following boilerplate:

```
import { Panel, Widget, Box } from 'ocs_ui_fw/ui'
import HDKMain from './hdk_main_ctrl_step'

View = () =>
  <Panel>
    <HDKMain.Render>
      ({state_vars}) =>
        #...rendered views go here
        <Panel>This is rendered from the HDKMain.Render step function</Panel>
      </HDKMain.Render>
    </Panel>

export default View
```

In the above example, you get a `Render` function from the imported `hdk_main_ctrl_step` that we declared earlier. The `Render` function gives you `state_vars` as an input, and expects a renderable `View` as an output. The `state_vars` map directly to the model, so we can expect the `hmi` data to be included as part of the `state_vars` data. For example, if we wanted to get the value of the pilot light, we can use the safe access operator `state_vars?.hmi?.output?.pilot` to retrieve that value.

```
<HDKMain.Render>
  ({state_vars}) =>
    #...rendered views go here
    <Panel>
      <Box>Pilot light</Box>
      <Box>
        {state_vars?.hmi?.output?.pilot.toString()}
      </Box>
    </Panel>
  </HDKMain.Render>
```

Note: We use the CoffeeScript existential operator `?` so that we don't access undefined values and crash. This may be the case when there are errors in your model, or the data streams are not available to the UI.

You won't be able to load this panel until you export it in `hdk_vis_pkg.coffee`

```
import HelloWorld from './hello'
import HDKMainView from './hdk_main_ctrl_view'

export default [
  nav: 'hdk_dcs/hdk_hello_world_view'
```

```
    type: 'hdk_hello_world_view'  
    Component: HelloWorld  
,  
    nav: 'hdk_dcs/hdk_main_ctrl_view'  
    type: 'hdk_main_ctrl_view'  
    Component: HDKMainView  
]
```

You can now run it with the `--panel` flag on the `navigator` cli app, with the type.

```
$ navigator --panel hdk_main_ctrl_view --port 9198
```

Warning: The navigator app allows you to run instances of multiple panels at the same time. However, you will need to specify a different `--port` for each instance to avoid port collision errors. Also, note that the navigator app will reuse the internal data server for multiple instances, so if you close the initial instance, the data server may become unavailable for the other panels.

You should now see *true* or *false* string rendered on the screen indicating the pilot light status. But the UI can render more than strings. A more extensive example that shows the status of the motor and LED lights can be found in the HDK vis package https://github.com/GMTO/ocs_hdk_dcs.