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INTRODUCTION

This document describes the use of the grs (GMT Runtime System) tool.

THE GRS COMMAND LINE TOOL

The grs utility allows interacting and communicating with remote component instances. The utility has several commands that are explained in the following sections. The send and listen commands are mostly used for debugging purposes, while the get, set and inspect commands are intended to interact with a remote component during operation. The compile command process the configuration file of a given component so it's ready to be consumed during the start up of a component. This removes the need for sending the configuration of a component to the configuration port after starting the component.

The grs common options are described at the end of this document. The grs help command provides a brief description of the utility:

```
$ grs --help
grs [command]
Commands:
                            send a message to a port of a remote instance
grs send [instance]
→[aliases: push]
grs listen [instance]
                            listen to messages from a port of the instance
                            compile the configuration of an instance...
grs compile [instance]
→Compiled files are
                            saved in $GMT_LOCAL
grs info [instance]
                            displays configuration information for a given_
→instance
                            displays the value of a feature of a remote.
grs get [instance]
→Component instance
grs set [instance]
                            sets the value of a feature in a remote.
→Component instance
                            continuously display the values of all the...
grs inspect [instance]
→features of a remote
                            Component instance
Options:
--version
             show version number
        [boolean]
--name
            name of the configurable entity
→[string] [default: "grs"]
--scope
             scope to load the configuration file
→[string] [default: ""]
--config name of the component configuration to be applied [string].
→[default: "default"]
--auto_conf load the configuration from file if it exists
→[boolean] [default: true]
--logging
             logging level
                                                                    [string]
→[default: "info"]
```

```
--help show help
[boolean]

Examples:
grs send -i x_ctrl -p position -m 25.01

For more information, find our manual at https://gmto.github.io/gmt_docs/
```

2.1 grs send

Description

The send command sends messages to a running component instance. The receiver endpoint can be specified in two ways:

- Using the instance, the port and the configuration (this last one is optional).
- Using the url of the receiver port.

The help options displays an overview of the send command:

```
$ grs send --help
grs send [instance]
Send a message to the port of the instance
Options:
--instance, -i name of the instance
  [string]
--delay, -d
              Delay between messages
                                                               [number]
→[default: 1]
--port, -p
             name of the port
    [string]
--url, -u
              url of the port
--msg, -m
              message(s) to be send
    [array]
--file, -f
              Name of the file to send
    [string]
                                                               [number]
--repeats, -r Number of times the message is send
→[default: 1]
              name of the configuration
--conf, -c
                                                       [string]_
→ [default: "default"]
```

Options

- --instance, -i the name of the receiver component instance.
- --delay, -d the delay between messages in milliseconds if case more than one message is sent (see option -repeats)
- --port, -p the name of the receiver component port
- --url, -u the url of the receiver port
- --msg, -m the message(s) to be send. The messages are separated by an space.

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```
$ grs send -i test_cmp -p position_goal -m 1 2 3 -d 100

# will send 3 messages (1 -> a), (2 -> b), (3 -> c) with a delay of 100 ms_

between them
```

The following data types are supported:

```
string: 'message content'
array: '[1, 2, 3, [4, 5]]'
struct: '{one: 1, two: "two", three: [1, 2, 3]}'
number: 10
--file, -f name of the file to be send
--repeats, -r Number of times that the message(s) is send.
--conf, -c the name of the configuration of the receiver component
```

2.2 grs listen

Description

Examples

The listen command listens to messages from a running component instance Like in the send command is possible to address a remote endpoint by giving the instance, port and configuration or by using directly the url of the remote port

```
$ grs listen --help
grs listen [instance]
Listen to messages from the port of the instance
Options:
--instance, -i name of the instance
     [string]
             name of the port
--port, -p
                                                    [string] [default:
→"sd_rep_out"]
--url, -u
            url of the port
--conf, -c name of the configuration
                                                       [string]
→[default: "default"]
```

Options

```
--instance, -i the name of the remote component instance.
--port, -p the name of the remote component port
--url, -u the url of the remote port
--conf, -c the name of the configuration of the remote component
```

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2.3 grs compile

Description

The compile commands process the configuration file of a given component so it's ready to be consumed during the start up of a component. This removes the need for sending the configuration of a component to the configuration port after starting the component. The compiled configuration is saved in the same location as the configuration file (e.g: \$GMT_LOCAL/etc/conf/<subsystem>) with the extension .cfg

Options

- --instance, -i the name of the component instance.
- --conf, -c the name of the configuration of the component intance

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Description

The info command displays the configuration information of a component instance, showing what features are defined. This information can be used in the get, set commands.

Options

- --instance, -i the name of the remote component instance.
- --conf, -c the name of the configuration of the remote component

Examples

```
$ grs info -i x_ctrl

Configuration: default
```

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```
{ properties:
{ host:
    { name: 'host',
        default_value: '127.0.0.1',
        type: 'string',
        desc: '' },
    { name: 'port', default_value: 12200, type: 'integer', desc: '' },
    scan_rate:
    { name: 'scan_rate', default_value: 1, type: 'integer', desc: '' } },
state_vars:
{ position:
    { name: 'position',
        default_value: 1.1,
        min: -100,
        max: 100,
        type: 'float',
        blocking_mode: 'sync',
        desc: 'Axis position' } },
inputs:
{ encoder:
    { name: 'encoder',
        default_value: 1.1,
        min: -100,
        max: 100,
        type: 'float',
        blocking_mode: 'sync',
        desc: 'Axis encoder input' } },
outputs:
{ motor:
    { name: 'motor',
        default_value: 1.1,
        min: -100,
        max: 100,
        type: 'float',
        blocking_mode: 'sync',
        desc: 'Axis motor demand' } },
faults:
{ motor_over_heat:
    { name: 'motor_over_heat',
        default_value: 'NOT_ACTIVE',
        kind: 'primary',
        level: 'CRITICAL',
        detection_latency: 1,
        type: 'string',
        parent: 'axis_fault',
        desc: 'Motor Overheat' },
    encoder_fault:
    { name: 'encoder_fault',
        default_value: 'NOT_ACTIVE',
        kind: 'primary',
        level: 'CRITICAL',
        detection_latency: 1,
        type: 'string',
        parent: 'axis_fault',
        desc: 'Encoder not responding' },
    motor_fault:
    { name: 'motor_fault',
```

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```
default_value: 'NOT_ACTIVE',
        kind: 'primary',
        level: 'CRITICAL',
        detection_latency: 1,
        type: 'string',
        parent: 'axis_fault',
        desc: 'Motor not responding' },
    axis_fault:
    { name: 'axis_fault',
        default_value: 'NOT_ACTIVE',
        kind: 'or',
        level: 'CRITICAL',
        detection_latency: 1,
        type: 'string',
        parent: null,
        desc: 'Axis fault' } },
alarms:
{ axis_malfunction_alarm:
    { name: 'axis_malfunction_alarm',
        default_value: 'NORM',
        type: 'string',
        desc: 'The X Axis is not operational' } },
connectors: []
Proxy ports:
{ sd_req_in: 'tcp://127.0.0.1:12204',
sd_rep_out: 'tcp://127.0.0.1:12203',
sd_req_out: 'tcp://127.0.0.1:12201',
sd_rep_in: 'tcp://127.0.0.1:12202' }
```

2.5 grs get

Description

The get command retrieves information about the state of a component. If not feature is specified it will display all the features of the component.

Options

- --instance, -i the name of the remote component instance.
- --conf, -c the name of the configuration of the remote component

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- --feature, -f the name of the feature to be get from the remote component. The feature is specified by defining its path: <feature_set>/<feature_name>/<feature_attribute>, where
 - feature_set: the category of the component feature, eg.: state_vars, inputs
 - feature_name: the name of the feature, e.g. op_state
 - feature_atrribute: the name of the attribute of the feature e.g: value, goal, desc
- --slice, -s the name of the slice

Examples

```
$ grs get -i x_ctrl

# will display all the features of the x_ctrl component

$ grs get -i x_ctrl -f state_vars

# will display all the values of all the state variables of x_ctrl

$ grs get -i x_ctrl -f state_vars -s desc

# will display all the descriptions of all the state variables of x_ctrl

$ grs get -i x_ctrl -f state_vars/position

# will display all the attributes of the x_ctrl position state variable

$ grs get -i x_ctrl -f state_vars/position/goal

# will display the goal of the x_ctrl position state variable
```

2.6 grs set

Description

The set command sets the value of a feature in a remote component

Options

--instance, -i the name of the remote component instance.

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- --conf, -c the name of the configuration of the remote component
- --feature, -f the name of the feature to be set in the remote component
- --value, -v the new value to be set in the remote component feature

```
$ grs set -i x_ctrl -f state_vars/position/goal -v 1.5
# will set the goal of the remote component position state variable to 1.5
```

The following data types are supported:

```
string: 'value content'
array: '[1, 2, 3, [4, 5]]'
struct: '{one: 1, two: "two", three: [1, 2, 3]}'
number: 10
```

2.7 grs inspect

Description

The inspect continuously retrieve the values of all the features of a remote component instance

Options

- --instance, -i the name of the remote component instance.
- --feature, -f the name of the feature to retrieve from the remote component. If this parameter is passed grs inspect will update only the value of the specified feature
- --rate, -r the rate at which grs inspect will retrieve and display the remote information
- --conf, -c the name of the configuration of the remote component

The following example shows the ouput of the inspect command for a component implemented in nodeJS:

```
$ grs inspect cartesian_ctrl

Timestamp: Mon Jul 01 2019 17:37:21 GMT-0700 (Pacific Daylight Time) hb

#:[0]
{ properties:
{ name: 'cartesian_ctrl',
```

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```
scope: '',
   config: 'default',
   auto_conf: true,
   uri: '',
   host: '127.0.0.1',
   port: 12500,
   scan_rate: 1,
   auto_start: false,
   auto_init: false,
   auto_halt: true,
   auto_shutdown: true },
state_vars: { op_state: 'RUNNING', position: 0.01 },
inputs:
{ x_position_in: 18.499999999999996,
   y_position_in: 1.1,
   outputs:
{ x_position_out: 17.69999999999998,
   y_position_out: 17.6999999999999,
   faults:
{ x_axis_fault: 'NOT_ACTIVE',
   y_axis_fault: 'NOT_ACTIVE',
   z_axis_fault: 'NOT_ACTIVE',
   stage_fault: 'NOT_ACTIVE' },
alarms: {},
connectors: { },
proxies: { x_ctrl: null, y_ctrl: null, z_ctrl: null } }
Enter <CTRL-C> to exit
```

2.8 grs options

The following options can be used in combination with the previous commands

- -V, --version The grs command will print the version number
- -1, --logging <level> Activates <level> logging. The following table describes the different values available for the logging option

<level></level>	Abbr	Description
fatal	FTL	fatal - errors which make the application unusable
error	ERR	error - errors that preclude to achive an specific request
warn-	WRN	warning - problems that may caused that the result achieved may not be the expected
ing		
info	INF	info - information about the general execution of the application
debug	DBG	debug - information to provide an understanding of the internal of the application
trace	TRC	trace - information that may server to identify a potential problem
metric	MET	metric - information to record performance metrics relative to the execution of the appli-
		cation

auto_conf Loads and applies the grs application configuration file if it exists.

config Name of the grs application configuration file

scope Scope used to load the grs configuration file

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-h, --help output usage information

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