
sphinxcontrib-gtkwave Documentation

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ABOUT

This [Sphinx](#) 1.0 extension executes [GTKWave](#) during the build step and includes its screenshot into the documentation. [GTKWave](#) can display wave files like VCD.

Links:

- home: <https://github.com/ponty/sphinxcontrib-gtkwave>
- documentation: <http://ponty.github.com/sphinxcontrib-gtkwave>

BASIC USAGE

```
.. gtkwave:: docs/gtkwave_output.vcd
```

HOW IT WORKS

1. start Xvfb headless X server using `pyvirtualdisplay`
2. redirect `GTKWave` display to Xvfb server by setting `$DISPLAY` variable.
3. start `GTKWave` with VCD file. Options are set on command-line and in temporary rc file
4. temporary tcl script will set time interval and select all signals
5. wait until `GTKWave` is displayed
6. take screenshot by `pyscreenshot` which needs `scrot_`.
7. image is processed: toolbar, scrollbar and empty space are removed
8. use `.. image::` directive to display image

KNOWN PROBLEMS

- PDF output is not perfect

INSTALLATION

5.1 General

- install `GTKWave`
- install `Xvfb` and `Xephyr`
- install `PIL`
- install `scrot`
- install `setuptools`
- install the program:

```
# as root easy_install https://github.com/ponty/sphinxcontrib-gtkwave/zipball/master
```

5.2 Ubuntu

```
sudo apt-get install gtkwave
sudo apt-get install python-setuptools
sudo apt-get install scrot
sudo apt-get install xvfb
sudo apt-get install xserver-xephyr
sudo apt-get install python-imaging
sudo easy_install https://github.com/ponty/sphinxcontrib-gtkwave/zipball/master
```

5.3 Uninstall

```
# as root
pip uninstall sphinxcontrib-gtkwave
```

USAGE

6.1 Configuration

Add `sphinxcontrib.gtkwave` to `extensions` list in `conf.py`:

```
extensions = [  
    'sphinxcontrib.gtkwave',  
]
```

6.2 Basic

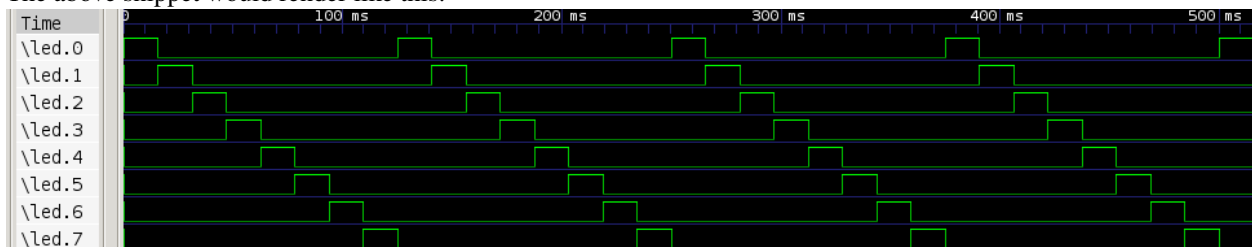
The main directive is `gtkwave`:

```
.. directive:: gtkwave
```

This directive accepts a single string as argument, which is file path to input file:

```
.. gtkwave:: docs/gtkwave_output.vcd
```

The above snippet would render like this:



6.3 waiting

The program is waiting until something is displayed. If nothing happens (e.g. missing `gtkwave`), after timeout (`:time-out:`) assertion is raised.

6.4 Options

6.4.1 timeout

If nothing happens, after timeout (default 12 sec) exception is raised, you can change it with this option:

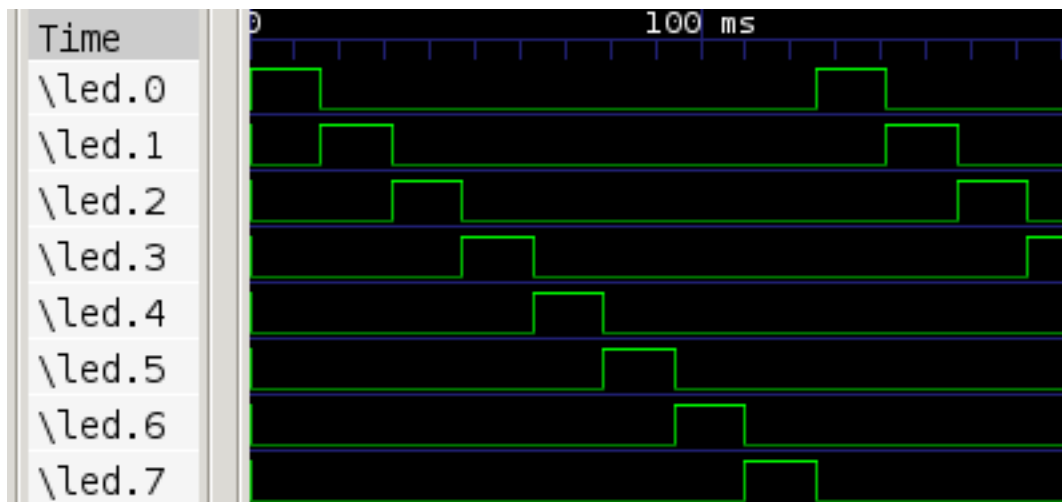
```
.. gtkwave:: docs/gtkwave_output.vcd
   :timeout: 120
```

6.4.2 screen

Using the option `screen` you can set the screen size, default is 1024x768, scrollbar and toolbar is removed from image:

```
.. gtkwave:: docs/gtkwave_output.vcd
   :screen: 400x400
```

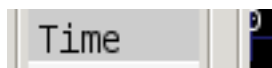
The above snippet would render like this:



Other resolution:

```
.. gtkwave:: docs/gtkwave_output.vcd
   :screen: 100x100
```

The above snippet would render like this:



6.5 Image options

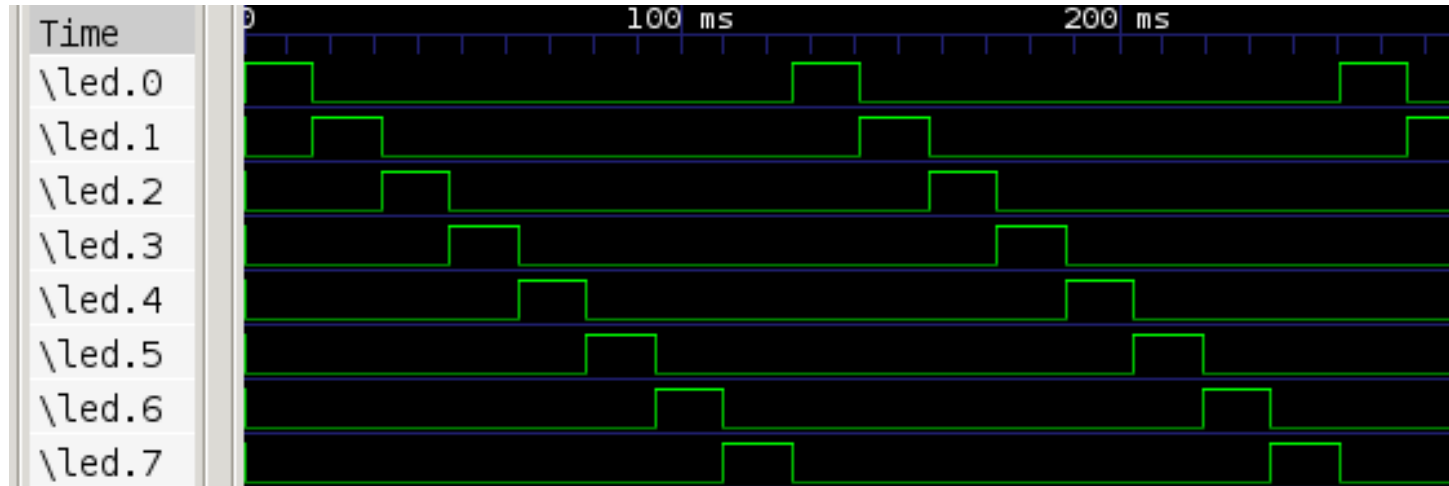
Same as in <http://docutils.sourceforge.net/docs/ref/rst/directives.html#image>

6.5.1 scale, alt

Example:

```
.. gtkwave:: docs/gtkwave_output.vcd
   :scale: 200 %
   :alt: alternate text
```

The above snippet would render like this:

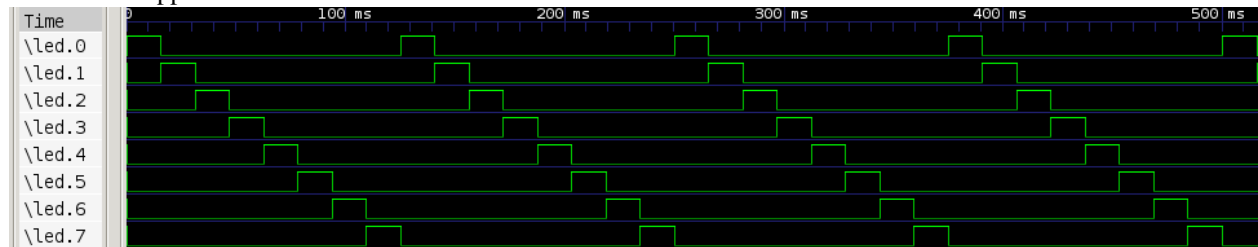


6.5.2 height, width

Example:

```
.. gtkwave:: docs/gtkwave_output.vcd
   :height: 100px
   :width: 100 px
```

The above snippet would render like this:

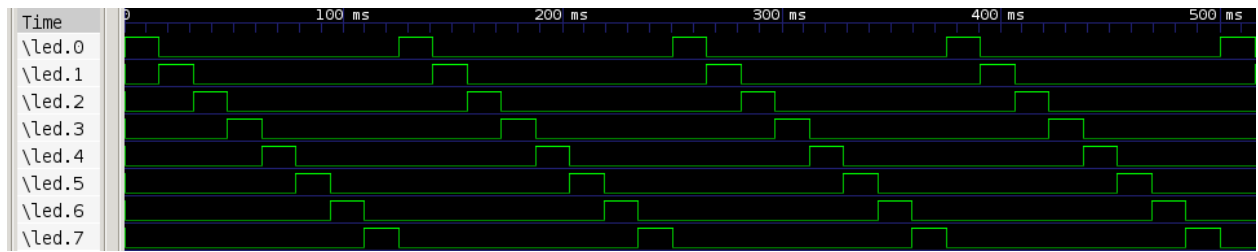


6.5.3 align

Example:

```
.. gtkwave:: docs/gtkwave_output.vcd
   :align: right
```

The above snippet would render like this:



DEVELOPMENT

7.1 Tools

1. `setuptools`
2. `Paver`
3. `nose`
4. `ghp-import`
5. `pyflakes`
6. `pychecker`
7. `paved fork`
8. `Sphinx`
9. `sphinxcontrib-programsscreenshot`
10. `sphinxcontrib-paverutils`
11. `autorun` from `sphinx-contrib` (there is no simple method, you have to download/unpack/setup)

7.2 Install on ubuntu

```
sudo apt-get install python-setuptools
sudo apt-get install python-paver
sudo apt-get install python-nose
sudo easy_install ghp-import
sudo apt-get install pyflakes
sudo apt-get install pychecker
sudo easy_install https://github.com/ponty/paved/zipball/master
sudo apt-get install scrot
sudo apt-get install xvfb
sudo apt-get install xserver-xephyr
sudo apt-get install python-imaging
sudo apt-get install python-sphinx
sudo easy_install sphinxcontrib-programsscreenshot
sudo easy_install sphinxcontrib-programoutput
sudo easy_install sphinxcontrib-paverutils
```

7.3 Tasks

[Paver](#) is used for task management, settings are saved in `pavement.py`. [Sphinx](#) is used to generate documentation.

print [paver](#) settings:

```
paver printoptions
```

clean generated files:

```
paver clean
```

generate documentation under *docs/_build/html*:

```
paver cog pdf html
```

upload documentation to [github](#):

```
paver ghpages
```

run unit tests:

```
paver nose
#or
nosetests --verbose
```

check python code:

```
paver pyflakes
paver pychecker
```

generate python distribution:

```
paver sdist
```

upload python distribution to [PyPI](#):

```
paver upload
```