

Communicating with Arduino

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Abstract. *Overview of the content:*

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Pre-reading: [1].

1 Introduction

Serial communications provide the way for an Arduino board to interact with a computer and other devices. In order to lead again arduino communication to our general communication framework, we introduce first of all the interface *ISerialPortInteraction* as a specialization of our generic communication interface *IConnInteraction*:

```
1 package it.unibo.arduino.serial;  
2 import gnu.io.SerialPort;  
3 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.protocols.IConnInteraction;  
4 public interface ISerialPortInteraction extends IConnInteraction{  
5     public SerialPort getPort();  
6 }
```

Listing 1.1. ISerialPortInteraction.java

The required `gnu.io.SerialPort` communication device will be provided by objects that implement the *ISerialPortConnection* interface:

```
1 package it.unibo.arduino.serial;  
2 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IObservable;  
3 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IObserver;  
4 public interface ISerialPortConnection extends IObserver, IObservable{  
5     public gnu.io.SerialPort connect( String portName, Class userClass) throws Exception;  
6     public void closeConnection( String portName ) throws Exception;  
7 }
```

Listing 1.2. ISerialPortConnection.java

2 Arduino serial interaction supports

An object that implements the interface *ISerialPortConnection* can be defined as follows:

```

1 package it.unibo.arduino.serial;
2 import java.util.Enumeration;
3 import java.util.Observable;
4 import gnu.io.CommPortIdentifier;
5 import gnu.io.SerialPort;
6 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IOutputView;
7 import it.unibo.system.SituatedPlainObject;
8
9 public class SerialPortSupport extends SituatedPlainObject implements ISerialPortConnection {
10     private static final int TIME_OUT = 2000;
11     private static final int DATA_RATE = 9600;
12     protected SerialPort serialPort;
13     /*
14      * "/dev/tty.usbserial-A9007UX1", // Mac OS X
15      * "/dev/ttyUSB0", // Linux
16      * "COM31", // Windows
17      */
18     public SerialPortSupport( IOutputView outView) {
19         super(outView);
20         this.name = "portPojo";
21     }
22     @Override
23     public SerialPort connect(String portName, Class userClass ) throws Exception {
24         CommPortIdentifier portId = null;
25         Enumeration<?> portEnum = CommPortIdentifier.getPortIdentifiers();
26         // First, Find an instance of serial port as set in PORT_NAMES.
27         while (portEnum.hasMoreElements()) {
28             CommPortIdentifier currPortId = (CommPortIdentifier) portEnum
29                 .nextElement();
30             if (currPortId.getName().equals(portName)) {
31                 portId = currPortId;
32                 break;
33             }
34         }
35         if (portId == null) {
36             throw new Exception("Could not find COM port");
37         }
38         // System.out.println("*** SerialPort connect "+userClass.getName());
39         // open serial port, and use class name for the appName.
40         serialPort = (SerialPort) portId.open( userClass.getName(), TIME_OUT);
41         // set port parameters
42         serialPort.setSerialPortParams(DATA_RATE, SerialPort.DATABITS_8,
43             SerialPort.STOPBITS_1, SerialPort.PARITY_NONE);
44         return serialPort;
45     }
46     @Override
47     public void closeConnection(String portName) throws Exception {
48     }
49     @Override
50     public void update(Observable arg0, Object arg1) {
51     }
52 }

```

Listing 1.3. SerialPortSupport.java

Note that this object can work on different platforms but a proper, platform-specific port name must be given; for example:

	Port names
Mac OS X	: "/dev/tty.usbserial-A9007UX1"
Linux	: "/dev/ttyUSB0"
Windows	: "COM31"

2.1 An Arduino support for basic communication

An object that implements the basic operations `sendALine` and `receiveALine` of the interface *ISerialPortConnection* can be defined as follows:

```

1 package it.unibo.arduino.serial;

```

```

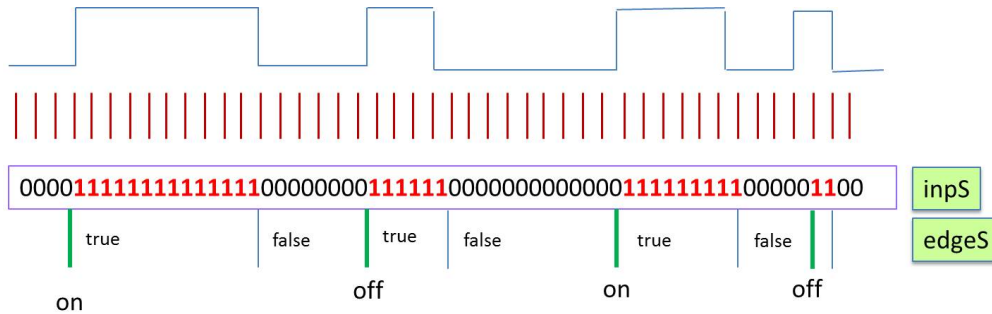
2  import java.io.IOException;
3  import java.io.InputStream;
4  import java.io.OutputStream;
5  import gnu.io.SerialPort;
6  import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IOutputView;
7  import it.unibo.system.SituatedPlainObject;
8
9  public class SerialPortConnSupport extends SituatedPlainObject implements ISerialPortInteraction{
10     final static int SPACE_ASCII = 32;
11     final static int DASH_ASCII = 45;
12     final static int NEW_LINE_ASCII = 10;
13     final static int CR_ASCII = 13;
14
15     private InputStream inpS;
16     private OutputStream output;
17     private SerialPort serialPort;
18
19     public SerialPortConnSupport( SerialPort serialPort, IOutputView outView ) {
20         super(outView);
21         this.serialPort = serialPort;
22         init();
23     }
24     protected void init( ){
25         try {
26             inpS = serialPort.getInputStream();
27             output = serialPort.getOutputStream();
28         } catch (IOException e) {
29             e.printStackTrace();
30         }
31     }
32     @Override
33     public void sendALine(String msg) throws Exception {
34         output.write(msg.getBytes());
35         output.write('\n');
36         //println(" SerialPortConnSupport has sent " + msg);
37     }
38     @Override
39     public void sendALine(String msg, boolean isAnswer) throws Exception {
40         sendALine( msg );
41     }
42     @Override
43     public String receiveALine() throws Exception {
44         boolean readSerialLineDone = false;
45         String s = "";
46         do{
47             int availableBytes = inpS.available();
48             for( int i=1; i<=availableBytes; i++){
49                 int singleData = inpS.read();
50                 if(singleData == CR_ASCII || singleData == NEW_LINE_ASCII ){
51                     if( singleData == NEW_LINE_ASCII ){
52                         readSerialLineDone = true;
53                     }
54                 }else s = s + (char)singleData;
55             }
56         }while( !readSerialLineDone );
57         //println("         receivedLine " + s + " " + inpS.available());
58         return s;
59     }
60     @Override
61     public void closeConnection() throws Exception {
62         if (serialPort != null) {
63             serialPort.removeEventListener();
64             serialPort.close();
65         }
66     }
67     @Override
68     public SerialPort getPort() {
69         return serialPort;
70     }
71 }

```

Listing 1.4. SerialPortConnSupport.java

2.2 An Arduino sketch that uses basic communication patterns

A physical button can be viewed as a source of information that emits a *wave* like that shown in the following picture:



The samples form a sequence of values in which each value can be modelled as a *boolean*, where **true** means "high" and **false** means "low". From this sequence of values ('*input sequence*' or **inpS**) we must find the edges that in their turn form a sequence of values called here *edge sequence* or **edgeS**. Each value of the **edgeS** sequence can be also modelled as a *boolean*, where **true** means "low to high" and **false** means "high to low". Since the button is initially supposed to be *unpressed* (the voltage level is low), the sequence **edgeS** is either empty or takes always the following form:

A typical (non empty) **edgeS** sequence

true false true false ...

The functional requirements of the system can now be expressed as follows: the **Led** is turned on **N** times, where **N** is the number of **true** in odd position in the **edgeS** sequence.

Since there is an abstraction gap between the physical and the logical model of a button, a proper software layer is needed in order to overcome that gap.

2.3 Arduino button (polling)

2.4 Arduino button (interrupt)

The sketch **SerialComm.ino** implements the following features:

- waits for a message (**request**) from the pc and then sends the same message (echo) as **response**;
- handles interrupts associated with a pin connected to a button interrupt by sending to the pc the message (**event**) **arduinoInterrupt(button)**.

```
1  /*
2   SerialComm.ino
3   */
4  int NEW_LINE_ASCII = 10;
5  int CR_ASCII = 13;
6  int led = 13;
7  int buttonSw = 3; // //ARDUINO UNO: pin 3 -> MAPS TO interrupt 1
8  String inputString = ""; // a string to hold incoming data
9  boolean stringComplete = false; // whether the string is complete
10 int n = 1;
11
12
13 /*
14  * Interrupt handling with debouncing
15  */
16 boolean debouncing(){
```

```

17 static unsigned long lastInterruptTime = 0;
18 static int lastSw = 0;
19 unsigned long interruptTime = millis();
20 if( (interruptTime - lastInterruptTime) > 100 ){
21     lastInterruptTime = interruptTime;
22     return true;
23 }
24 return false;
25 }
26
27 void buttonInterruptHandler(){
28     boolean ok = debouncing();
29     if( ok ){
30         int sw = digitalRead(buttonSw);
31         if( sw == 1 )
32             //Serial.println("arduinoInterrupt(button,value("+String(sw)+")");
33         Serial.println("arduinoInterrupt(button)");
34     }
35 }
36
37 /*
38  * Read a line from the serial port
39 */
40 void serialInput() { //ex serialEvent ...
41     while (Serial.available()) {
42         int inChar = Serial.read();
43         if ( inChar == NEW_LINE_ASCII ) {
44             stringComplete = true;
45             //digitalWrite(led, HIGH);
46         } else inputString = inputString + (char)inChar;
47     } //while
48 }
49
50 /*
51  * setup
52 */
53 void setup() {
54     pinMode(led, OUTPUT);
55     pinMode(buttonSw, INPUT);
56     n = 1;
57     Serial.begin(9600);
58     inputString.reserve(256);
59     digitalWrite(buttonSw, HIGH); //attach pull up => unpressed = 1
60     attachInterrupt(1, buttonInterruptHandler, CHANGE); // RISING CHANGE FOLLOWING LOW
61 }
62
63 /*
64  * LOOP
65 */
66 void loop() {
67     serialInput() ;
68     if (stringComplete) {
69         Serial.println( inputString + " n=" + String(n) );
70         delay(10);
71         n = n + 1;
72         //digitalWrite(led, LOW);
73         inputString = "";
74         stringComplete = false;
75     }
76 }

```

Listing 1.5. SerialComm.ino

3 Exchanging messages with Arduino

The following Java applications sends a message to Arduino by waiting for the response before sending another message:

```

1 package it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro;
2 import gnu.io.SerialPort;
3 import it.unibo.arduino.serial.ISerialPortInteraction;

```

```

4 import it.unibo.arduino.serial.SerialPortConnSupport;
5 import it.unibo.arduino.serial.SerialPortSupport;
6 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IOutputView;
7 import it.unibo.system.SituatedPlainObject;
8
9 public class SerialPortRequestResponseMain extends SituatedPlainObject{
10     protected String PORT_NAME = "COM23"; // Windows
11     protected ISerialPortInteraction portConn;
12     protected SerialPort serialPort;
13
14     public SerialPortRequestResponseMain(IOutputView outView){
15         super(outView);
16     }
17     public void doJob(){
18         try {
19             init();
20
21             requestResponse("First msg");
22             requestResponse("Hello from pc");
23             requestResponse("Final msg from pc");
24
25             portConn.closeConnection();
26         } catch (Exception e) {
27             e.printStackTrace();
28         }
29     }
30     protected void init() throws Exception{
31         println(" === STARTS. WARNING: rxtxSerial.dll must be in the classpath " + getName() );
32         setConnection();
33         waitForReady();
34     }
35     protected void setConnection() throws Exception{
36         SerialPortSupport serialPortSupport = new SerialPortSupport( outView );
37         serialPort = serialPortSupport.connect(PORT_NAME, this.getClass() );
38         println("serialPort="+serialPort);
39         portConn = new SerialPortConnSupport(serialPort, outView);
40     }
41     protected void waitForReady() throws Exception{
42         System.out.println("Waiting for arduino STARTUP... ");
43         Thread.sleep(2000);
44     }
45     protected void requestResponse(String msg) throws Exception{
46         System.out.println("Sending to arduino ... " + msg);
47         portConn.sendALine(msg);
48         getTheAnswer();
49     }
50     protected void getTheAnswer() throws Exception{
51         String answer = portConn.receiveALine();
52         println("Answer="+ answer);
53     }
54     /*
55     * MAIN
56     */
57     public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
58         new SerialPortRequestResponseMain(null).doJob();
59     }
60 }

```

Listing 1.6. SerialPortRequestResponseMain.java

Requirements. To run the application, the RXTXcomm.jar library is required. Moreover, the rxtxSerial.dll component must be in the classpath.

3.1 An application that handles button-related messages from Arduino

The following Java applications is a specialized version of *SerialPortRequestResponseMain* that adds an *observer* to the serial port, so to manage the messages (*events*) sent by Arduino when a button is pressed:

```

1 package it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro;
2 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IOutputView;
3
4 public class SerialPortButtonMain extends SerialPortRequestResponseMain{
5
6     public SerialPortButtonMain(IOutputView outView){
7         super(outView);
8     }
9     public void doJob(){
10         try {
11             init();
12             System.out.println("APPL END. Now I'll show the answer to interrupts");
13         } catch (Exception e) {
14             e.printStackTrace();
15         }
16     }
17     protected void init() throws Exception{
18         println("=== STARTS. WARNING: rxtxSerial.dll must be in the classpath " + getName() );
19         setConnection();
20         addSerialPortListener();
21     }
22     protected void addSerialPortListener() throws Exception{
23         serialPort.addEventListener( new ButtonObserver( portConn,outView ) );
24         serialPort.notifyOnDataAvailable(true);
25     }
26     /*
27     * MAIN
28     */
29     public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
30         new SerialPortButtonMain(null).doJob();
31     }
32
33 }

```

Listing 1.7. SerialPortButtonMain.java

3.2 An application observer on the serial port

The *ButtonObserver* class implements an observer of messages sent from Arduino that simply shows the message:

```

1 package it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro;
2 import java.util.Observable;
3 import it.unibo.arduino.serial.ISerialPortInteraction;
4 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IObserver;
5 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IOutputView;
6 import it.unibo.system.SituatedPlainObject;
7 import gnu.io.SerialPortEvent;
8 import gnu.io.SerialPortEventListener;
9
10 public class ButtonObserver extends SituatedPlainObject implements IObserver, SerialPortEventListener{
11     protected ISerialPortInteraction portConn;
12     protected String curInput = "";
13     protected int n = 0;
14
15     public ButtonObserver(ISerialPortInteraction portConn,IOutputView outView) {
16         super(outView);
17         this.portConn = portConn;
18     }
19     @Override
20     public void update(Observable arg0, Object inputLine) {
21         try {
22             n++;
23             String input = (String)inputLine;
24             String content = "value(" + n + "," + input + ")";
25             System.out.println( "ButtonObserver event= " + content);
26         } catch (Exception e) {
27             e.printStackTrace();
28         }
29     }
30 }

```

```

30  @Override
31  public synchronized void serialEvent(SerialPortEvent oEvent) {
32      if (oEvent.getEventType() == SerialPortEvent.DATA_AVAILABLE) {
33          //println("AppObserver oEvent type=" + oEvent.getEventType() );
34          try {
35              //no read => event not consumed
36              String input = portConn.receiveALine();
37              if( input.length() > 0 ){
38                  update( this, input);
39              }
40          } catch (Exception e) {
41              System.out.println("ArduinoObserver ERROR:"+e.getMessage());
42          }
43      }
44  }
45  }

```

Listing 1.8. ButtonObserver.java

4 From messages to events



The *ButtonObserverToEvent* class implements an observer of messages sent from Arduino that transforms each message into a local event:

```

1  package it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.events;
2  import java.util.Observable;
3  import it.unibo.arduino.serial.ISerialPortInteraction;
4  import it.unibo.event.interfaces.INodejsLike;
5  import it.unibo.inforeply.infrastructure.SysKbInfoReplInfr;
6  import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IOutputView;
7  import it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.appl.AppObserver;
8
9
10 public class ButtonObserverToEvent extends AppObserver {
11     protected INodejsLike njs;
12
13     public ButtonObserverToEvent(ISerialPortInteraction portConn,IOutputView outView ) throws Exception {
14         super(portConn,outView,null);
15         this.portConn = portConn;
16         njs = SysKbInfoReplInfr.getNodejsLike();
17     }
18     @Override
19     public void update(Observable arg0, Object inputLine) {
20         try {
21             n++;
22             String content = (String)inputLine;
23             //System.out.println( "      update " + content );
24             if( njs != null ) njs.raiseEvent(null, SysKb.eventName, content);
25         } catch (Exception e) {
26             e.printStackTrace();
27         }
28     }
29 }

```

Listing 1.9. ButtonObserverToEvent.java

4.1 An event-based application

The *ArduinoEventsHandler* class defines an application event handler for the Arduino events:


```

1 package it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.events;
2 import it.unibo.event.interfaces.IEventItem;
3 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IOutputView;
4 import it.unibo.nodelike.platform.EventHandler;
5
6 public class ArduinoEventsHandler extends EventHandler {
7     public ArduinoEventsHandler( IOutputView outView ) throws Exception {
8         super( "ardEvH", outView );
9     }
10    @Override
11    public void doJob() throws Exception {
12        IEventItem ev = this.getEventItem();
13        this.showMsg("ardEvH -> "+ev.getEventId()+ " " + ev.getMsg() );
14    }
15 }

```

Listing 1.10. ArduinoEventsHandler.java

The class *SerialPortButtonEventMain* defines an event-based application:

```

1 package it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.events;
2 import it.unibo.event.interfaces.INodejsLike;
3 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IOutputView;
4 import it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.SerialPortButtonMain;
5 import it.unibo.nodelike.platform.NodejsLike;
6
7 public class SerialPortButtonEventMain extends SerialPortButtonMain{
8     protected INodejsLike njs;
9
10    public SerialPortButtonEventMain(IOutputView outView){
11        super(outView);
12    }
13    public void doJob(){
14        try {
15            println(" ==== STARTS. WARNING: rxTxSerial.dll must be in the classpath " + getName() );
16            setConnection();
17            addSerialPortListener();
18            createEventPlatform();
19            addApplicationEventHandler();
20            println("*** APPL END. Now I'll handle events");
21        } catch (Exception e) {
22            e.printStackTrace();
23        }
24    }
25    protected void addSerialPortListener() throws Exception{
26        serialPort.addEventListener( new ButtonObserverToEvent( portConn,outView ) );
27        serialPort.notifyOnDataAvailable(true);
28    }
29    protected void addApplicationEventHandler() throws Exception{
30        ArduinoEventsHandler evh = new ArduinoEventsHandler(outView);
31        njs.insertInEventHandlerWaitQueue(evh, SysKb.eventName);
32    }
33    protected void createEventPlatform(){
34        njs = NodejsLike.createBasic(outView); //SysKbInfoReplInfr.getNodejsLike();
35        njs.setWithExternalEvents();
36        new Thread(){
37            public void run(){
38                try {
39                    njs.mainLoop();
40                } catch (Exception e) {
41                    e.printStackTrace();
42                }
43            }
44        }.start();
45    }
46    /*
47     * MAIN
48     */
49    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
50        new SerialPortButtonEventMain(null).doJob();
51    }
52 }

```

Listing 1.11. SerialPortButtonEventMain.java

5 An application with messages and interrupts

```
1 package it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.appl;
2 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IOutputView;
3 import it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.SerialPortRequestResponseMain;
4
5
6 public class SerialPortRequestResponseButtonMain extends SerialPortRequestResponseMain{
7     protected boolean goon = false;
8     protected boolean applObserverSet = false;
9
10    public SerialPortRequestResponseButtonMain(IOutputView outView){
11        super(outView);
12    }
13    public void doJob(){
14        try {
15            init();
16
17            sendMessage("First msg");
18            getTheAnswer();
19            sendMessage("Hello from pc");
20            getTheAnswer();
21            sendMessage("Final msg from pc");
22            getTheAnswer();
23
24            //portConn.closeConnection();
25            System.out.println("APPL END. Now I'll show the answer to interrupts");
26        } catch (Exception e) {
27            e.printStackTrace();
28        }
29    }
30    protected void init() throws Exception{
31        println("=== STARTS. WARNING: rxtxSerial.dll must be in the classpath " + getName() );
32        setConnection();
33        //addSerialPortListener(); //without a listener the system does not handle interrupts
34        waitForReady();
35    }
36    protected void sendMessage(String msg) throws Exception{
37        System.out.println("Sending to arduino ... " + msg);
38        portConn.sendALine(msg);
39    }
40    protected void getTheAnswer() throws Exception{
41        if( applObserverSet ) waitContinue();
42        else println("Answer="+ portConn.receiveALine());
43    }
44    public synchronized void waitContinue() throws Exception{
45        while( !goon ) wait();
46        goon = false;
47    }
48    //setInput is called by ApplObserver
49    public synchronized void setInput(String msg) throws Exception {
50        goon = true;
51        println( msg );
52        notifyAll();
53    }
54    protected void addSerialPortListener() throws Exception{
55        serialPort.addEventListener( new ApplObserver(portConn,outView,this) );
56        serialPort.notifyOnDataAvailable(true);
57        applObserverSet = true;
58    }
59    /*
60    * MAIN
61    */
62    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
63        new SerialPortRequestResponseButtonMain(null).doJob();
64    }
```

65
66

}

Listing 1.12. SerialPortRequestResponseButtonMain.java

6 An application with messages and events

The application defined in *SerialPortMessageAndEventMain* exchanges some message with Arduino while using physical button managed by Arduino that emits an event named "arduinoEvent" defined in *SysKb.eventName*:

```
1 package it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.appl;
2 import java.awt.Color;
3 import java.io.FileInputStream;
4
5 import gnu.io.SerialPort;
6 import it.unibo.arduino.serial.ISerialPortInteraction;
7 import it.unibo.arduino.serial.SerialPortConnSupport;
8 import it.unibo.arduino.serial.SerialPortSupport;
9 import it.unibo.baseEnv.basicFrame.EnvFrame;
10 import it.unibo.button.bridge.DevButton;
11 import it.unibo.domain.interfaces.IDevButton;
12 import it.unibo.domain.interfaces.IDevButtonArduino;
13 import it.unibo.event.interfaces.INodejsLike;
14 import it.unibo.inforeply.infrastructure.SysKbInfoReplInfr;
15 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IBasicEnvAwt;
16 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IOutputView;
17 import it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.events.ArduinoEventsHandler;
18 import it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.events.DevButtonArduino;
19 import it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.events.SysKb;
20 import it.unibo.system.SituatedPlainObject;
21
22 public class SerialPortMessageAndEventMain extends SituatedPlainObject{
23     public static final String[] myEvents= new String[] { SysKb.eventName };
24     public static final String[] otherEvents= new String[] { SysKb.eventName };
25     protected String PORT_NAME = SysKb.serialPortWindows;
26     protected ISerialPortInteraction portConn;
27     protected SerialPort serialPort;
28     protected INodejsLike njs;
29
30     public SerialPortMessageAndEventMain(IOutputView outView){
31         super(outView);
32     }
33     public void doJob(){
34         try {
35             init();
36
37             sendMessage("First msg");
38             getTheAnswer() ;
39             sendMessage("Hello from pc");
40             getTheAnswer() ;
41             sendMessage("Final msg from pc");
42             getTheAnswer() ;
43
44             System.out.println("*** APPL END. Now I'll show the answer to interrupts");
45         } catch (Exception e) {
46             e.printStackTrace();
47         }
48     }
49     protected void init() throws Exception{
50         println(" ==== STARTS. WARNING: rxtxSerial.dll must be in the classpath " + getName() );
51         setConnection();
52         createEventInfrastructure( );
53         createArduinoButton();
54         createArduinoButtonEventHandler();
55         waitForReady();
56     }
57     protected void sendMessage(String msg) throws Exception{
58         println("Sending to arduino ... " + msg);
```

```

59     portConn.sendALine(msg);
60 }
61 protected void getTheAnswer() throws Exception{
62     println("    Answer="+ portConn.receiveALine());
63 }
64 protected void setConnection() throws Exception{
65     SerialPortSupport serialPortSupport = new SerialPortSupport( outView );
66     serialPort = serialPortSupport.connect(PORT_NAME, this.getClass() );
67     println("serialPort="+serialPort);
68     portConn = new SerialPortConnSupport(serialPort, outView);
69 }
70 protected void waitForReady() throws Exception{
71     println("*** Waiting for arduino STARTUP... ");
72     Thread.sleep(2000);
73 }
74 protected void createArduinoButton() throws Exception{
75     IDevButtonArduino devImpl = new DevButtonArduino("arduinoButton", null, portConn);
76     IDevButton dev = new DevButton("button", null);
77     dev.setDevImpl(devImpl);
78 }
79 protected void createArduinoButtonEventHandler() throws Exception{
80     ArduinoEventsHandler evh = new ArduinoEventsHandler(outView);
81     njs.insertInEventHandlerWaitQueue(evh, SysKb.eventName);
82 }
83 public void createEventInfrastructure( ) throws Exception{
84     try {
85         SysKbInfoReplInfr sysInfr = SysKbInfoReplInfr.getInstance( outView ,
86             new FileInputStream("sysconfig.pl") );
87         println( "createInfrastructure " + sysInfr);
88         sysInfr.createInfoReplInfrastructure( "1", otherEvents ); //SEE sysconfig.pl
89         njs = SysKbInfoReplInfr.getNodejsLike();
90         njs.setWithExternalEvents();
91         sysInfr.createMainLoop();
92         println( "createInfrastructure DONE " );
93     } catch (Exception e) {
94         println( "createEventInfrastructure ERROR " + e.getMessage());
95     }
96 }
97
98 /*
99  * MAIN
100 */
101 public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
102     IBasicEnvAwt env = // null;
103     new EnvFrame( "SerialPortMessageAndEventMain", Color.cyan, Color.black );
104     env.init();
105     env.writeOnStatusBar("SerialPortMessageAndEventMain" + " | working ... ",14);
106     new SerialPortMessageAndEventMain(env.getOutputView()).doJob();
107 }
108
109 }

```

Listing 1.13. SerialPortMessageAndEventMain.java

The application defined in *SerialPortMessageAndEventMain* creates a logical button (line 68) that implements the high level *IDevButton* interface and injects in it an implementation of a physical button managed by Arduino:

6.1 DevButtonArduino

```

1 package it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.events;
2 import it.unibo.arduino.serial.ISerialPortInteraction;
3 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IOutputEnvView;
4 import it.unibo.button.bridge.impl.DevInputImpl;
5 import it.unibo.domain.interfaces.IDevButtonArduino;
6
7 public class DevButtonArduino extends DevInputImpl implements IDevButtonArduino {
8     protected ISerialPortInteraction portConn;
9
10     public DevButtonArduino(String name, IOutputEnvView outView, ISerialPortInteraction portConn) {

```

```

11     super(name, outView);
12     this.portConn = portConn;
13     configure();
14 }
15 protected void configure() {
16     try {
17         portConn.getPort().addEventListener( new ButtonObserverToEvent(portConn,outView) );
18         portConn.getPort().notifyOnDataAvailable(true);
19     } catch (Exception e) { e.printStackTrace(); }
20 }
21 }

```

Listing 1.14. DevButtonArduino.java

Let us report here the definition of the class DevInputImpl introduced in the *it.unibo.buttonLedSystem* project:

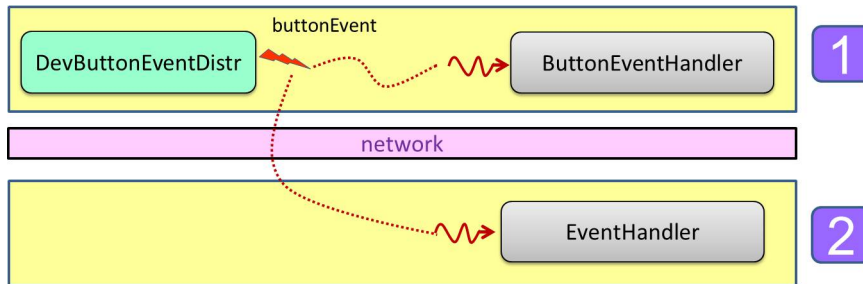
```

1 package it.unibo.button.bridge.impl;
2 import java.util.Observable;
3 import it.unibo.button.bridge.SysKb;
4 import it.unibo.domain.interfaces.IDevInputImpl;
5 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IActivityBase;
6 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IOutputEnvView;
7 import it.unibo.system.SituatedPlainObject;
8
9 public class DevInputImpl extends SituatedPlainObject implements IDevInputImpl, IActivityBase {
10     protected boolean isPressed = false;
11     protected String name ;
12     public DevInputImpl(String name, IOutputEnvView outView) {
13         super(outView);
14         this.name = name;
15     }
16     @Override
17     public int getInput() throws Exception { return isPressed ? 1 : 0; }
18     @Override
19     public void execAction(String cmd) {
20         isPressed = cmd.equals( SysKb.repHigh );
21         println("DevButton isPressed=" + isPressed + " since updatd by " + cmd);
22         this.setChanged(); //!!!!
23         this.notifyObservers(cmd);
24     }
25     public void update( boolean v){
26         String cmd = v ? SysKb.repHigh : SysKb.repLow ;
27         execAction( cmd );
28     }
29     @Override
30     public void update(Observable arg0, Object arg1) {
31         String vs = ""+arg1;
32         isPressed = vs.equals( SysKb.repHigh );
33         update( isPressed );
34     }
35     @Override
36     public String getDefaultRep() {
37         try {
38             return "sensor("+this.name+","+this.getInput()+)";
39         } catch (Exception e) { return "sensor("+this.name+",null)"; }
40     }
41     @Override
42     public String getName() {
43         return name;
44     }
45 }

```

Listing 1.15. DevInputImpl.java

6.2 A remote event receiver



```

1 package it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.appl;
2 import java.awt.Color;
3 import java.io.FileInputStream;
4 import gnu.io.SerialPort;
5 import it.unibo.arduino.serial.ISerialPortInteraction;
6 import it.unibo.baseEnv.basicFrame.EnvFrame;
7 import it.unibo.event.interfaces.INodejsLike;
8 import it.unibo.inforeply.infrastructure.SysKbInfoReplInfr;
9 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IBasicEnvAwt;
10 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IOutputView;
11 import it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.events.ArduinoEventsHandler;
12 import it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.events.SysKb;
13 import it.unibo.system.SituatedPlainObject;
14
15 public class ButtonEventReceiverMain extends SituatedPlainObject{
16     public static final String[] myEvents= new String[] { SysKb.eventName };
17     public static final String[] otherEvents= new String[] { SysKb.eventName };
18     protected String PORT_NAME = SysKb.serialPortWindows;
19     protected ISerialPortInteraction portConn;
20     protected SerialPort serialPort;
21     protected INodejsLike njs;
22
23     public ButtonEventReceiverMain(IOutputView outView){
24         super(outView);
25     }
26     public void doJob(){
27         try {
28             init();
29             println("*** APPL END. Now I'll show the answer to events");
30         } catch (Exception e) {
31             e.printStackTrace();
32         }
33     }
34     protected void init() throws Exception{
35         createEventInfrastructure( );
36         createArduinoButtonEventHandler();
37     }
38     public void createEventInfrastructure( ) throws Exception{
39         try {
40             SysKbInfoReplInfr sysInfr = SysKbInfoReplInfr.getInstance( outView ,
41                 new FileInputStream("sysconfig.pl") );
42             println( "createInfrastructure " + sysInfr);
43             sysInfr.createInfoReplInfrastructure( "2", otherEvents ); //SEE sysconfig.pl
44             njs = SysKbInfoReplInfr.getNodejsLike();
45             njs.setWithExternalEvents();
46             sysInfr.createMainLoop();
47             println( "createInfrastructure DONE " );
48         } catch (Exception e) {
49             println( "createEventInfrastructure ERROR " + e.getMessage());
50         }
51     }
52     protected void createArduinoButtonEventHandler() throws Exception{
53         ArduinoEventsHandler evh = new ArduinoEventsHandler(outView);
54         njs.insertInEventHandlerWaitQueue(evh, SysKb.eventName);
55     }
56
57     /*
  
```

```

58  * MAIN
59  */
60  public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
61      IBasicEnvAwT env = // null;
62      new EnvFrame( "ButtonEventReceiverMain", Color.lightGray, Color.black );
63      env.init();
64      env.writeOnStatusBar("ButtonEventReceiverMain" + " | working ... ",14);
65      new ButtonEventReceiverMain(env.getOutputView()).doJob();
66  }
67
68  }

```

Listing 1.16. ButtonEventReceiverMain.java

6.3 The system configuration file

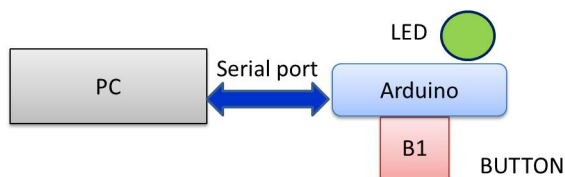
```

1  %sysconfig.pl
2  %=====
3  %%startUpMode(synch).
4
5  %=====
6  node( 1, pc, "localhost", 8025 ).
7  node( 2, receiver, "localhost", 8035 ). %% 192.168.43.229

```

Listing 1.17. sysconfig.pl

7 The ButtonLed system



7.1 ButtonLed.ino (on Arduino UNO)

```

1  /*
2   ButtonLed.ino
3  */
4  int NEW_LINE_ASCII = 10;
5  int CR_ASCII = 13;
6  int led = A0;
7  int buttonSw = 3; //7           //ARDUINO UNO: pin 3 -> MAPS TO interrupt 1
8  String inputString = "";       // a string to hold incoming data
9  boolean stringComplete = false; // whether the string is complete
10 /*
11  * Interrupt handling with debouncing
12  */
13 boolean debouncing(){
14     static unsigned long lastInterruptTime = 0;
15     static int lastSw = 0;
16     unsigned long interruptTime = millis();
17     if( (interruptTime - lastInterruptTime) > 100 ){
18         lastInterruptTime = interruptTime;
19         return true;
20     }
21     return false;
22 }
23 void buttonInterruptHandler(){
24     boolean ok = debouncing();

```

```

25  if( ok ){
26      int sw = digitalRead(buttonSw);
27      if( sw == 1 )
28          //Serial.println("arduinoInterrupt(button,value("+String(sw)+"))");
29      Serial.println("arduinoInterrupt(button)");
30  }
31  }
32  /*
33  * Read a line from the serial port
34  */
35  void serialInput() { //ex serialEvent ...
36      while (Serial.available()) {
37          int inChar = Serial.read();
38          if ( inChar == NEW_LINE_ASCII ) {
39              stringComplete = true;
40          } else inputString = inputString + (char)inChar;
41      } //while
42  }
43  /*
44  * setup
45  */
46  void setup() {
47      pinMode(led, OUTPUT);
48      pinMode(buttonSw, INPUT);
49      Serial.begin(9600);
50      inputString.reserve(256);
51      digitalWrite(buttonSw, HIGH); //attach pull up => unpressed = 1
52      attachInterrupt(1, buttonInterruptHandler, CHANGE); // RISING CHANGE FOLLOWING LOW
53  }
54  /*
55  * LOOP
56  */
57  void loop() {
58      serialInput();
59      if (stringComplete) {
60          //Serial.println( inputString + " n=" + String(n) );
61          if( inputString == "HIGH" )
62              digitalWrite(led, HIGH);
63          else
64              digitalWrite(led, LOW);
65          inputString = "";
66          stringComplete = false;
67      }
68  }

```

Listing 1.18. ButtonLed.ino

7.2 ButtonLedArduinoEventManager (on pc)

```

1  package it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.buttonled;
2  import java.awt.Color;
3  import java.io.FileInputStream;
4  import gnu.io.SerialPort;
5  import it.unibo.arduino.serial.ISerialPortInteraction;
6  import it.unibo.arduino.serial.SerialPortConnSupport;
7  import it.unibo.arduino.serial.SerialPortSupport;
8  import it.unibo.baseEnv.basicFrame.EnvFrame;
9  import it.unibo.button.bridge.DevButton;
10 import it.unibo.domain.interfaces.IDevButton;
11 import it.unibo.domain.interfaces.IDevButtonArduino;
12 import it.unibo.event.interfaces.INodejsLike;
13 import it.unibo.inforeply.infrastructure.SysKbInfoReplInfr;
14 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IBasicEnvAwt;
15 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IOutputView;
16 import it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.events.DevButtonArduino;
17 import it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.events.SysKb;
18 import it.unibo.system.SituatedPlainObject;
19
20 public class ButtonLedArduinoEventManager extends SituatedPlainObject{
21     public static final String[] myEvents= new String[] { SysKb.eventName };

```



```

22     public static final String[] otherEvents= new String[] { SysKb.eventName };
23     protected String PORT_NAME = SysKb.serialPortWindows;
24     protected ISerialPortInteraction portConn;
25     protected SerialPort serialPort;
26     protected INodejsLike njs;
27
28     public ButtonLedArduinoEventMain(IOutputView outView){
29         super(outView);
30     }
31     public void doJob(){
32         try {
33             init();
34             println("*** APPL END. Now I'll handle events");
35         } catch (Exception e) {
36             e.printStackTrace();
37         }
38     }
39     protected void init() throws Exception{
40         println("==== STARTS. WARNING: rxtxSerial.dll must be in the classpath " + getName() );
41         setConnection();
42         createEventInfrastructure( );
43         createArduinoButton();
44         createArduinoButtonEventHandler();
45         waitForReady();
46     }
47     protected void setConnection() throws Exception{
48         SerialPortSupport serialPortSupport = new SerialPortSupport( outView );
49         serialPort = serialPortSupport.connect(PORT_NAME, this.getClass() );
50         println("serialPort="+serialPort);
51         portConn = new SerialPortConnSupport(serialPort, outView);
52     }
53     protected void waitForReady() throws Exception{
54         println("*** Waiting for arduino STARTUP... ");
55         Thread.sleep(2000);
56     }
57     protected void createArduinoButton() throws Exception{
58         IDevButtonArduino devImpl = new DevButtonArduino("arduinoButton", null, portConn);
59         IDevButton dev = new DevButton("button", null);
60         dev.setDevImpl(devImpl);
61     }
62     protected void createArduinoButtonEventHandler() throws Exception{
63         ArduinoButtonEventHandler evh = new ArduinoButtonEventHandler(outView, portConn);
64         njs.insertInEventHandlerWaitQueue(evh, SysKb.eventName);
65     }
66     public void createEventInfrastructure( ) throws Exception{
67         try {
68             SysKbInfoReplInfr sysInfr = SysKbInfoReplInfr.getInstance( outView ,
69                                     new FileInputStream("sysconfig.pl") );
70             println( "createInfrastructure " + sysInfr);
71             sysInfr.createInfoReplInfrastructure( "1", otherEvents ); //SEE sysconfig.pl
72             njs = SysKbInfoReplInfr.getNodejsLike();
73             njs.setWithExternalEvents();
74             sysInfr.createMainLoop();
75             println( "createInfrastructure DONE " );
76         } catch (Exception e) {
77             println( "createEventInfrastructure ERROR " + e.getMessage());
78         }
79     }
80
81     /*
82     * MAIN
83     */
84     public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
85         IBasicEnvAwt env = // null;
86             new EnvFrame( "SerialPortMessageAndEventMain", Color.cyan, Color.black );
87         env.init();
88         env.writeOnStatusBar("SerialPortMessageAndEventMain" + " | working ... ",14);
89         new ButtonLedArduinoEventMain(env.getOutputView()).doJob();
90     }
91
92 }

```

Listing 1.19. ButtonLedArduinoEventMain.java

7.3 ArduinoButtonEventHandler (on pc)

The handler *ArduinoButtonEventHandler* performs a switch of the led each time a button event is perceived. The led switch is done by sending a message to Arduino via the serial port connection.

```
1 package it.unibo.noawtsupports.arduino.intro.buttonled;
2 import it.unibo.arduino.serial.ISerialPortInteraction;
3 import it.unibo.event.interfaces.IEventItem;
4 import it.unibo.is.interfaces.IOutputView;
5 import it.unibo.nodelike.platform.EventHandler;
6
7 public class ArduinoButtonEventHandler extends EventHandler {
8     protected ISerialPortInteraction portConn;
9     protected boolean on = false;
10    public ArduinoButtonEventHandler( IOutputView outView, ISerialPortInteraction portConn ) throws Exception {
11        super( "butHan", outView );
12        this.portConn = portConn;
13    }
14    @Override
15    public void doJob() throws Exception {
16        IEventItem ev = this.getEventItem();
17        showMsg(getName() + ":", ev.getEventId()+ " " + ev.getMsg() );
18        if( on ) portConn.sendALine("HIGH");
19        else portConn.sendALine("LOW");
20        on = ! on;
21    }
22 }
```

Listing 1.20. ArduinoButtonEventHandler.java

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