



Getting Started with the MIRcatSDK

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SDK Overview

The Daylight Solutions MIRcatSDK is the core component that facilitates high level communication with the MIRcat Laser. The MIRcatSDK is extremely versatile and robust by supporting the use of C++, C#, Python, and MATLAB. You no longer have to be a software developer to integrate the MIRcat Laser into any existing experiments or software packages. With the help of the Getting Started Guide, it is easier than ever for scientists, software developers and researchers to get started with the scientific tooling that the MIRcat provides.

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Working with C++

In this example, we are going to be using Visual Studio 2017 to develop a test program that interacts with the MIRcat laser via the MIRcatSDK.

Requirements

- Windows OS
- USB <-> Serial Driver

Configuring the Visual Studio Environment

- 1. Create new Win32 Console Application.
- 2. Copy MIRcatSDK directory to root project directory.
- 3. Enter 'Alt' + 'Enter' to bring up Properties Page.
- 4. Navigate to `Linker` tab and select `Input`.
- 5. Add file path of `MIRcatSDK.lib` to `Additional Dependencies`.
- 6. Add `#include "MIRcatSDK\MIRcatSDK.h"` to classes referring to MIRcatSDK.
- 7. Copy files `MIRcatSDK.dll`, `QtCore4.dll` & `QtGui4.dll` to the `Debug` folder in the root project directory.

You can now successfully build and run.

Basic Operations

Getting SDK API Version

```
uint16_t major, minor, patch;
MIRcatSDK_GetAPIVersion(&major, &minor, &patch);
printf("API Version: %d.%d.%d\n", major, minor, patch);
```

Initialize MIRcatSDK & Connect to MIRcat laser

Important: It is required that you initialize the API before making any subsequent calls to the SDK.

```
uint32_t ret;
printf("Attempting to Initialize MIRcat API\n");
ret = MIRcatSDK_Initialize();
if (ret == MIRcatSDK_RET_SUCCESS)
{
    printf(" Successfully Connected to MIRcat\n");
}
else
{
    printf(" Failure to Initialize API. \t Error Code: %d\n", ret);
}
```

Setting Up and Running Scans

Quick Note:

The MIRcat I/O has a polling frequency of about 4hz. This means that you need to sleep the system for 250 milliseconds before querying system statuses.

Helper Function for Arming laser

This is a helper function that is not included in the SDK. It arms the laser and then waits for the QCL TECs to get to their safe operating temperatures. This function needs to be called if the system has not yet been armed or if the user has disarmed the system and wants to make a subsequent call to either tune the laser or begin a scan.

```
::Sleep(1000);
}
   //Wait until at temperature to do any tune/scan
   printf( "=======\n");
   printf( "Test : TEC Temperature Status\n");
   ret = MIRcatSDK AreTECsAtSetTemperature(&atTemp);
   printf(" Test Result: ret = %d \tatTemp = %s\n",
         ret, atTemp ? "true" : "false");
   uint16 t tecCur = 0;
  float qclTemp = 0;
  while ( !atTemp )
   {
         for( uint8 t i = 1; i <= numQcls; i++ )</pre>
         {
                ret = MIRcatSDK GetQCLTemperature( i, &qclTemp );
                printf(" Test Result: %d, QCL%u Temp: %.3f C\n", ret, i, qclTemp );
                ret = MIRcatSDK GetTecCurrent( i, &tecCur );
                printf(" Test Result: %d, TEC%u Current: %u mA\n", ret, i, tecCur );
         }
         ret = MIRcatSDK AreTECsAtSetTemperature(&atTemp);
         printf("TECs at Temperature: ret = %d \tatTemp = %s\n",
                ret, atTemp ? "true" : "false");
         ::Sleep(1000);
  }
   return atTemp;
```

Scan Initialization Structure

These are the basic steps to follow before beginning tuning the laser or beginning a scan. These steps MUST be executed before tuning or scanning or else the system will propagate errors.

```
// Step 1: Get the number of installed QCLs
MIRcatSDK GetNumInstalledQcls(&numQcls);
// Step 2: Check for Interlock Status
printf("=======\n");
printf("Test : InterLocked Status\n");
ret = MIRcatSDK_IsInterlockedStatusSet(&bIlockSet);
printf(" Test Result: ret = %d \tbIslockSet = %s\n",
      ret, bIlockSet ? "true" : "false");
// Step 3: Check for Key Switch Status
printf("-----\n");
printf("Test : Key Switch Status\n");
ret = MIRcatSDK IsKeySwitchStatusSet(&bKeySwitchSet);
printf(" Test Result: ret = %d \tbKeySwitchSet = %s\n",
      ret, bKeySwitchSet ? "true" : "false");
// Step 4: Arm the Laser
printf("======\n");
printf("Test : Arm Laser\n");
// This is a helper function that is not included in the SDK. It is included in the
getting started guide.
ArmAndWaitForTemp(numQcls); // blocks until all QCLs are at temp
```

Single Tune Scan

Important: You <u>MUST</u> cancel Manual Tune Mode before performing another type of scan or else you will get returned an error.

```
printf("Starting Single tune test ... \n");
bool bIlockSet, bKeySwitchSet, IsArmed, atTemp, isEmitting, lightValid, isTuned = false;
float startTrig, stopTrig, trigSpacing, tunedWW, actualWW;;
uint16_t numWlTrigs, totalWlTrigs;
uint8_t units, preferredQCL, wlTrigUnits;
uint8 t numQcls = 0;
// Step 5: Tune the Laser
printf("=======\n");
printf("Test : Tune to WW 6.80\n");
ret = MIRcatSDK TuneToWW(6.80, MIRcatSDK UNITS MICRONS, 1);
printf(" Test Result: ret = %d\n", ret);
// Check Tuned Wavelength
printf("===========\n");
printf("Test : Check Tuned Wavelength\n");
ret = MIRcatSDK_GetTuneWW(&tunedWW, &units, &preferredQCL);
printf(" Test Result: ret = %d \tTuned Wavelenth: %.3f \tUnits: %u \tPreferred QCL:
%u∖n",
      ret, tunedWW, units, preferredQCL);
printf("======\n");
printf("Test : isTuned\n");
while (!isTuned)
{
      // Check Tuning Status
      ret = MIRcatSDK IsTuned(&isTuned);
      printf(" Test Result: ret = %d \tisTuned = %s\n",
            ret, isTuned ? "true" : "false");
      // Check Actual Wavelength
      ret = MIRcatSDK_GetActualWW(&actualWW, &units, &lightValid);
      printf(" Test Result: ret = %d \tActual Wavelenth: %.3f \tUnits: %u \tValid:
%s\n",
            ret, actualWW, units, lightValid ? "true" : "false");
      ret = MIRcatSDK IsEmissionOn(&isEmitting);
      printf(" Test Result: ret = %d \tisEmitting: \t%s\n\n",
            ret, isEmitting ? "true" : "false");
      ::Sleep(50);
}
// Step 6: Enable Laser Emission
printf("=======\n");
printf("Test : Enable Laser Emission\n");
ret = MIRcatSDK TurnEmissionOn();
printf(" Test Result: ret = %d\n", ret);
isEmitting = false;
printf("\nTest : Is laser emitting?\n");
while (!isEmitting)
{
      ret = MIRcatSDK_IsEmissionOn(&isEmitting);
      printf(" Test Result: ret = %d \tisEmitting: \t%s\n",
            ret, isEmitting ? "true" : "false");
      ::Sleep(100);
}
```

After completing manually tuned scans, you must first disable manual tune mode before you can move on to another scan mode.

Sweep Scan

```
printf("=======\n");
// Step 5: Start Sweep Scan
printf("Starting Sweep mode scan from 6.7 to 7.2 um with a speed 100 microns\n");
ret = MIRcatSDK_StartSweepScan(6.7, 7.2, 100, MIRcatSDK_UNITS_MICRONS, 1, true, 1);
printf(" Test Result: ret = %d\n", ret);
if (ret == MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS)
{
      bool bIsScanInProgress = false;
      bool bIsScanActive = false;
      bool bIsScanPaused = false;
      uint16 t wCurScanNum = 0;
      uint16_t wCurrentScanPercent;
      float fCurrentWW;
      uint8 t bUnits;
      bool bIsTECInProgress, bIsMotionInProgress;
      // Step 6: Check Scan Status
      do
      {
            printf("\n=======\n");
            printf(" Test Get Scan Status\n");
            ret = MIRcatSDK GetScanStatus(&bIsScanInProgress, &bIsScanActive,
                  &bIsScanPaused, &wCurScanNum, &wCurrentScanPercent,
                  &fCurrentWW, &bUnits, &bIsTECInProgress, &bIsMotionInProgress);
            printf(" Test Result: ret = %d, IsScanInProgress = %d, IsScanActive = %d,"
                  " bIsScanPaused = %d wCurScanNum = %d\n",
                  ret, bIsScanInProgress, bIsScanActive, bIsScanPaused, wCurScanNum);
            fCurrentWW, bUnits, wCurrentScanPercent,
                  bIsTECInProgress, bIsMotionInProgress);
            ret = MIRcatSDK_GetActualWW(&actualWW, &units, &lightValid);
            printf(" Test Result: ret = %d, WL: %.3f, U: %u, Valid: %s",
                  ret, actualWW, units, lightValid ? "TRUE" : "FALSE");
            ::Sleep(300);
      } while (bIsScanInProgress);
```

Step-Measure Scan

```
// Step 5: Start Step-Measure Scan
ret = MIRcatSDK StartStepMeasureModeScan(float(6.7), float(7.0), float(0.25),
MIRcatSDK_UNITS_MICRONS, 1);
printf(" Test Result: ret = %d\n", ret);
::Sleep(1000);
if (ret == MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS)
{
      bool bIsScanInProgress = false;
      bool bIsScanActive = false;
      bool bIsScanPaused = false;
      uint16 t wCurScanNum = 0;
      uint16_t wCurrentScanPercent;
      float fCurrentWW;
      uint8 t bUnits;
      bool bIsTECInProgress;
      bool bIsMotionInProgress;
      // Step 6: Check Scan Status
      do
      {
            printf("\n=========\n");
            printf(" Test Get Scan Status\n");
            ret = MIRcatSDK_GetScanStatus(&bIsScanInProgress, &bIsScanActive,
                   &bIsScanPaused, &wCurScanNum, &wCurrentScanPercent,
                   &fCurrentWW, &bUnits, &bIsTECInProgress, &bIsMotionInProgress);
            printf(" Test Result: ret = %d, IsScanInProgress = %d, IsScanActive = %d,"
                   " bIsScanPaused = %d wCurScanNum = %d\n",
                   ret, bIsScanInProgress, bIsScanActive, bIsScanPaused, wCurScanNum);
            fCurrentWW, bUnits, wCurrentScanPercent,
                   bIsTECInProgress, bIsMotionInProgress);
            ret = MIRcatSDK_GetActualWW(&actualWW, &units, &lightValid);
            printf(" Test Result: ret = %d, WL: %.3f, U: %u, Valid: %s",
                   ret, actualWW, units, lightValid ? "TRUE" : "FALSE");
             ::Sleep(300);
      } while (bIsScanInProgress);
```

Multi-Spectral Scan

```
// Step 5: Set the amount of Multi-Spectral Elements
ret = MIRcatSDK SetNumMultiSpectralElements(10);
printf(" Test Result: ret = %d\n", ret);
printf("========\n");
float fScanWW = 5.7;
// Step 6: Add Multi-Spectral Elements
for (float i = 0; i < 5.0; i += 0.5)
       printf("Test : AddMultiSpectralElement\n");
       ret = MIRcatSDK AddMultiSpectralElement((fScanWW + i),
             MIRcatSDK_UNITS_MICRONS, 1000, 1000);
       printf(" Test Result: ret = %d\n", ret);
}
printf("Test : StartMultiSpectralModeScan\n");
// Step 7: Start the Multi-Spectral Scan
ret = MIRcatSDK StartMultiSpectralModeScan(1);
printf(" Test Result: ret = %d\n", ret);
if (MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS == ret)
       bool bIsScanInProgress = false;
       bool bIsScanActive = false;
       bool bIsScanPaused = false;
       uint16 t wCurScanNum = 0;
       uint16 t wCurrentScanPercent;
      float fCurrentWW;
       uint8_t bUnits;
      bool bIsTECInProgress;
       bool bIsMotionInProgress;
       // Step 8: Check Scan Status
      do
      {
             printf("\n=========\n");
             printf(" Test Get Scan Status\n");
             ret = MIRcatSDK GetScanStatus(&bIsScanInProgress, &bIsScanActive,
                    &bIsScanPaused, &wCurScanNum, &wCurrentScanPercent,
                    &fCurrentWW, &bUnits, &bIsTECInProgress, &bIsMotionInProgress);
             printf(" Test Result: ret = %d, IsScanInProgress = %d, IsScanActive = %d,"
                    " bIsScanPaused = %d wCurScanNum = %d\n",
                    ret, bIsScanInProgress, bIsScanActive, bIsScanPaused, wCurScanNum);
             printf(" Test Result: currentWW= %f, Units = %d, CurrentScanPercent= %d,"
                    " bIsTECInProgress= %d bIsMotionInProgress= %d\n",
                    fCurrentWW, bUnits, wCurrentScanPercent,
                    bIsTECInProgress, bIsMotionInProgress);
             ret = MIRcatSDK_GetActualWW(&actualWW, &units, &lightValid);
             printf(" Test Result: ret = %d, WL: %.3f, U: %u, Valid: %s",
                    ret, actualWW, units, lightValid ? "TRUE" : "FALSE");
             ::Sleep(300);
       } while (bIsScanInProgress);
```

Disarming & Disconnecting from MIRcat

```
printf("\n=======\n");
printf("Attempting to Disarm Laser...\n");
ret = MIRcatSDK_DisarmLaser();
printf(" Test Result: ret = %d\n", ret);
printf("\nChecking Arming Status...\n");
ret = MIRcatSDK_IsLaserArmed(&IsArmed);
printf(" Test Result: ret = %d \tIs the laser armed: %s", ret, IsArmed ? "true" :
"false");
::Sleep(5000);
printf("\n========\n");
printf("Attempting to De-Initialize MIRcatSDK...\n");
ret = MIRcatSDK DeInitialize();
switch (ret)
case MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS:
     printf("Successfully Disconnected from MIRcat\n");
     break;
    MIRcatSDK RET NOT INITIALIZED:
     printf("Attempt to De-initialize before controller instantiation.");
     break;
default:
     printf("Fatal Error. \t Error Code: %d\n", ret);
```

Working with C#

In this example, we are going to be using Visual Studio 2017 to develop a test program that interacts with the MIRcat laser via the MIRcatSDK.

Requirements

- Windows OS
- USB <-> Serial Driver
- Visual Studio
- C# Compiler

Configuring the Visual Studio Environment

- 1. Create new Console App (.Net Framework).
- 2. Copy MIRcatSDK directory to root project directory.
- 3. Add Existing Item to project by pressing 'Alt' + 'Shift' + 'A' and selecting 'MIRcatSDK.cs'.
- 4. Add `using static MIRcat_Ctrl.MIRcatSDK;` & `using static MIRcat_Ctrl.SDKConstants;` to files working with MIRcatSDK.
- 5. Change Solution Platform from `Any CPU` to `x86`
- 6. Copy files `MIRcatSDK.dll`, `QtCore4.dll` & `QtGui4.dll` to the `{project root}/bin/x86/Debug/` folder in the root project directory.
- 7. You can now successfully build and run.

Basic Operations

Getting SDK API Version

```
UInt16 major = 0, minor = 0, patch = 0;
MIRcatSDK_GetAPIVersion(ref major, ref minor, ref patch);
Console.WriteLine("\nAPI Version: {0}.{1}.{2}", major, minor, patch);
```

Initialize MIRcatSDK & Connect to MIRcat laser

```
Console.WriteLine("\nAttempting to Initialize MIRcat API");
ret = MIRcatSDK_Initialize();
if ((UInt32) MIRcatSDK_RET_SUCCESS == ret)
{
          Console.WriteLine(" Successfully Connected to MIRcat");
}
else
{
          Console.WriteLine(" Failure to Initialize API. \t Error Code: {0}", ret);
}
```

Setting Up and Running Scans

Ouick Note:

The MIRcat I/O has a polling frequency of about 4hz. This means that you need to sleep the system for 250 milliseconds before querying system statuses.

Helper Function for Arming laser

This is a helper function that is not included in the SDK. It arms the laser and then waits for the QCL TECs to get to their safe operating temperatures. This function needs to be called if the system has not yet been armed or if the user has disarmed the system and wants to make a subsequent call to either tune the laser or begin a scan.

```
static bool ArmAndWaitForTemp(int numOcls)
      bool atTemp = false, IsArmed = false;
      UInt32 ret = MIRcatSDK IsLaserArmed(ref IsArmed);
      if (!IsArmed)
             ret = MIRcatSDK ArmDisarmLaser();
             Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0}\n", ret);
      Console.WriteLine("=========\n");
             Console.WriteLine("Test : Is Laser Armed\n");
      }
      while (!IsArmed)
             ret = MIRcatSDK_IsLaserArmed(ref IsArmed);
             Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0} \tIsArmed = {1}\n",
                   ret, IsArmed);
             Thread.Sleep(1000);
      }
      // Wait until TECs are at temperature before doing any tuning/scanning
      // Note: This can take a while depending on how the laser is cooled.
      Console.WriteLine("============\n");
      Console.WriteLine("Test : TEC Temperature Status\n");
      ret = MIRcatSDK_AreTECsAtSetTemperature(ref atTemp);
      Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0} \tatTemp = {1}\n", ret, atTemp);
      UInt16 tecCur = 0;
      float qclTemp = 0;
      while (!atTemp)
             for (byte i = 1; i <= numQcls; i++)</pre>
                   ret = MIRcatSDK_GetQCLTemperature(i, ref qclTemp);
                   Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: {0}, QCL{1} Temp: {2} C",
                          ret, i, qclTemp);
                   ret = MIRcatSDK GetTecCurrent(i, ref tecCur);
                   Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: {0}, TEC{1} Current: {2} mA",
                          ret, i, tecCur);
             }
             ret = MIRcatSDK AreTECsAtSetTemperature(ref atTemp);
             Console.WriteLine("TECs at Temperature: ret = {0} \tatTemp = {1}\n",
                   ret, atTemp);
```

```
Thread.Sleep(1000);
}

return atTemp;
}
```

Scan Initialization Structure

These are the basic steps to follow before beginning tuning the laser or beginning a scan. These steps <u>MUST</u> be executed before tuning or scanning or else the system will propagate errors.

```
bool bIlockSet = false, bKeySwitchSet = false;
byte numQcls = 0;
// Step 1: Get the number of installed QCLs
MIRcatSDK_GetNumInstalledQcls(ref numQcls);
// Step 2: Check for Interlock Status
Console.WriteLine("=======");
Console.WriteLine("Test : InterLocked Status");
ret = MIRcatSDK_IsInterlockedStatusSet(ref bIlockSet);
Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0} \tbIslockSet = {1}", ret, bIlockSet);
// Step 3: Check for Key Switch Status
Console.WriteLine("=======");
Console.WriteLine("Test : Key Switch Status\n");
ret = MIRcatSDK_IsKeySwitchStatusSet(ref bKeySwitchSet);
Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0} \tbKeySwitchSet = {1}", ret, bKeySwitchSet);
// Step 4: Arm the Laser
Console.WriteLine("========");
Console.WriteLine("Test : Arm Laser");
// This is a helper function that is not included in the SDK. It is included in the
getting started guide.
ArmAndWaitForTemp(numQcls); // blocks until all QCLs are at temp
```

Single Tune Scan

Important: You <u>MUST</u> cancel Manual Tune Mode before performing another type of scan or else you will get returned an error.

```
Console.WriteLine("Starting Single tune test ...");
bool IsArmed, isEmitting, lightValid, isTuned = false;
float tunedWW, actualWW;
byte units, preferredQCL;

// Step 5: Tune the Laser
Console.WriteLine("=========");
Console.WriteLine("Test : Tune to WW 6.80\n");
ret = MIRcatSDK_TuneToWW((float)6.80, (byte) MIRcatSDK_UNITS_MICRONS, 1);
Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0}\n", ret);
// Check Tuned Wavelength
```

```
Console.WriteLine("=======");
Console.WriteLine("Test : Check Tuned Wavelength");
tunedWW = 0;
units = 0;
preferredQCL = 0;
ret = MIRcatSDK GetTuneWW(ref tunedWW, ref units, ref preferredQCL);
Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0} \tTuned Wavelenth: {1} \tUnits: {2}
\tPreferred OCL: {3}".
      ret, tunedWW, units, preferredQCL);
Console.WriteLine("========"");
Console.WriteLine("Test : isTuned\n");
while (!isTuned)
{
      // Check Tuning Status
      ret = MIRcatSDK_IsTuned(ref isTuned);
      Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0} \tisTuned = {1}\n", ret, isTuned);
      // Check Actual Wavelength
      actualWW = 0;
      lightValid = false;
      ret = MIRcatSDK GetActualWW(ref actualWW, ref units, ref lightValid);
      Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0} \tActual Wavelenth: {1} \tUnits: {2}
\tValid: {3}",
            ret, actualWW, units, lightValid);
      Thread.Sleep(50);
}
// Step 6: Enable Laser Emission
Console.WriteLine("\n=======\n");
Console.WriteLine("Test : Enable Laser Emission");
ret = MIRcatSDK_TurnEmissionOn();
Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0}\n", ret);
isEmitting = false;
Console.WriteLine("\nTest : Is laser emitting?");
while (!isEmitting)
{
      ret = MIRcatSDK IsEmissionOn(ref isEmitting);
      Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0} \tisEmitting: \t{1}", ret, isEmitting
);
      Thread.Sleep(100);
}
// Step 7: Disable Laser Emission
Console.WriteLine("\n========");
Console.WriteLine("Test : Disable Laser Emission\n");
ret = MIRcatSDK TurnEmissionOff();
Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0}", ret);
ret = MIRcatSDK_IsEmissionOn(ref isEmitting);
Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0} \tisEmitting: \t{1}", ret, isEmitting);
// Step 8: Disable Manual Tune Mode
// If you are going to perform a different type of scan, you must complete this step.
Console.WriteLine("*************
Console.WriteLine("Test: Cancel Manual Scan");
ret = MIRcatSDK CancelManualTuneMode();
Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: \t{0}", ret);
```

Sweep Scan

```
bool bIsScanInProgress = false, bIsScanActive = false, bIsScanPaused = false;
bool bIsTECInProgress = false, bIsMotionInProgress = false;
UInt16 wCurScanNum = 0;
UInt16 wCurrentScanPercent = 0;
float fCurrentWW = 0;
byte bUnits = 0;
Console.WriteLine("Starting Sweep Test ...");
Console.WriteLine("========");
Console.WriteLine("Starting Sweep mode scan from 6.7 to 7.2 um with a speed 100
microns");
// Step 5: Start Sweep Scan
ret = MIRcatSDK_StartSweepScan((float)6.7, (float)7.2, 100,
      (byte)MIRcatSDK_UNITS_MICRONS, 1, true, 1);
Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0}", ret);
if (ret == (UInt32)MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS)
      actualWW = 0;
      lightValid = false;
      do
      {
            Console.WriteLine("\n========");
            Console.WriteLine(" Test Get Scan Status");
            ret = MIRcatSDK GetScanStatus(ref bIsScanInProgress, ref bIsScanActive,
                  ref bIsScanPaused, ref wCurScanNum, ref wCurrentScanPercent,
                  ref fCurrentWW, ref bUnits, ref bIsTECInProgress,
                  ref bIsMotionInProgress);
            Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0}, bIsScanInProgress = {1},
bIsScanActive = {2}, bIsScanPaused = {3} wCurScanNum = {4}",
                  ret, bIsScanInProgress, bIsScanActive, bIsScanPaused, wCurScanNum);
Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: fCurrentWW= {0}, bUnits = {1},
wCurrentScanPercent= {2}, bIsTECInProgress= {3}, bIsMotionInProgress= {4}",
                  fCurrentWW, bUnits, wCurrentScanPercent, bIsTECInProgress,
bIsMotionInProgress);
            Thread.Sleep(250);
      } while (bIsScanInProgress);}
```

Step-Measure Scan

```
bIsScanInProgress = false;
bIsScanActive = false;
bIsScanPaused = false;
wCurScanNum = 0;
wCurrentScanPercent = 0;
fCurrentWW = 0;
bUnits = 0;
bIsTECInProgress = false;
bIsMotionInProgress = false;
ret = MIRcatSDK StartStepMeasureModeScan((float)6.7, (float)7.0, (float)0.25,
      (byte)MIRcatSDK UNITS MICRONS, 1);
Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0}", ret);
Thread.Sleep(1000);
if (ret == (UInt32)MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS)
      do
      {
            Console.WriteLine("\n=========");
            Console.WriteLine(" Test Get Scan Status");
            ret = MIRcatSDK_GetScanStatus(ref bIsScanInProgress, ref bIsScanActive,
                 ref bIsScanPaused, ref wCurScanNum, ref wCurrentScanPercent,
                 ref fCurrentWW, ref bUnits, ref bIsTECInProgress,
                 ref bIsMotionInProgress);
            Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0}, bIsScanInProgress = {1},
bIsScanActive = {2}, bIsScanPaused = {3} wCurScanNum = {4}",
                 ret, bIsScanInProgress, bIsScanActive, bIsScanPaused, wCurScanNum);
            Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: fCurrentWW= {0}, bUnits = {1},
wCurrentScanPercent= {2}, bIsTECInProgress= {3}, bIsMotionInProgress= {4}",
                 fCurrentWW, bUnits, wCurrentScanPercent, bIsTECInProgress,
bIsMotionInProgress);
            Thread.Sleep(250);
      } while (bIsScanInProgress);
```

Multi-Spectral Scan

```
bIsScanInProgress = false;
bIsScanActive = false;
bIsScanPaused = false;
wCurScanNum = 0;
wCurrentScanPercent = 0;
fCurrentWW = 0;
bUnits = 0;
bIsTECInProgress = false;
bIsMotionInProgress = false;
Console.WriteLine("Test : SetNumMultiSpectralElements");
ret = MIRcatSDK SetNumMultiSpectralElements(10);
Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0}", ret);
Console.WriteLine("========");
float fScanWW = 5.7F;
for (double i = 0; i < 5.0; i += 0.5)
      Console.WriteLine("Test : AddMultiSpectralElement\n");
      ret = MIRcatSDK AddMultiSpectralElement((fScanWW + (float)i),
(byte)MIRcatSDK_UNITS_MICRONS, 1000, 1000);
      Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0}", ret);
}
Console.WriteLine("Test : StartMultiSpectralModeScan\n");
ret = MIRcatSDK_StartMultiSpectralModeScan(1);
Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0}", ret);
if ((byte)MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS == ret)
      do
      {
            Console.WriteLine("========");
            Console.WriteLine(" Test Get Scan Status\n");
             ret = MIRcatSDK_GetScanStatus(ref bIsScanInProgress, ref bIsScanActive, ref
bIsScanPaused,
                   ref wCurScanNum, ref wCurrentScanPercent,
                   ref fCurrentWW, ref bUnits,
                   ref bIsTECInProgress, ref bIsMotionInProgress);
            Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0}, bIsScanInProgress = {1},
bIsScanActive = {2}, bIsScanPaused = {3}, wCurScanNum = {4}",
                   ret, bIsScanInProgress, bIsScanActive, bIsScanPaused, wCurScanNum);
            Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: fCurrentWW= {0}, bUnits = {1},
wCurrentScanPercent= {2}, bIsTECInProgress= {3} bIsMotionInProgress= {4}",
                   fCurrentWW, bUnits, wCurrentScanPercent, bIsTECInProgress,
bIsMotionInProgress);
             Thread.Sleep(250);
      } while (bIsScanInProgress);
```

Disarming & Disconnecting from MIRcat

```
IsArmed = false;
Console.WriteLine("\n========");
Console.WriteLine("Attempting to Disarm Laser...");
ret = MIRcatSDK_DisarmLaser();
Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0}", ret);
Console.WriteLine("\nChecking Arming Status...");
ret = MIRcatSDK IsLaserArmed(ref IsArmed);
Console.WriteLine(" Test Result: ret = {0} \tIs the laser armed: {1}", ret, IsArmed);
Thread.Sleep(5000);
Console.WriteLine("\n========="");
Console.WriteLine("Attempting to De-Initialize MIRcatSDK...");
ret = MIRcatSDK DeInitialize();
switch (ret)
{
      case (UInt32)MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS:
            Console.WriteLine(" Successfully Disconnected from MIRcat");
      case (UInt32)MIRcatSDK_RET_NOT_INITIALIZED:
             Console.WriteLine(" Attempt to De-initialize before controller
instantiation.");
            break;
      default:
            Console.WriteLine("Fatal Error. \t Error Code:{0}", ret);
Console.WriteLine("========");
```

Working with MATLAB

In this example, we are going to be using MATLAB R2017a to develop a test program that interacts with the MIRcat via the MIRcatSDK.

Important Notes:

- 1. Familiarize yourself with the <u>MATLAB documentation</u> regarding converting c-types to MATLAB types.
- 2. MATLAB does not expose which variables are required for each function. You must view the `MIRcatSDK.h` file or official SDK documentation to see what is required for each function call.
- 3. You should call **'unloadlibrary MIRcatSDK;** at the end of your script or where a possible error can occur. This is done in order to avoid MATLAB interpretation errors.

Requirements

- Windows 7+
- USB <-> Serial Driver
- Mingw x64 c/c++ compiler
- MATLAB License

Configuring the MATLAB Environment

- 1. Change the MATLAB working directory to the location of your MIRcatSDK directory.
- 2. Ensure required mingw x64 c/c++ compiler from the Mathworks website is installed.
- 3. Before you can get started writing code you must first load the constants from the MIRcatSDKconstants.mat file and load the C++ Library into the MATLAB workspace.

```
hfile = 'MIRcatSDK.h'; % Denote the location of the headerfile
[notfound, warnings] = loadlibrary('libs/MIRcatSDK', hfile, 'alias', 'MIR-
catSDK');
load('MIRcatSDKconstants.mat'); % Load the constants from the SDK
```

Basic Operations

The basic call structure is as follows:

```
% ret is the return value
% Function_Name is the name of the MIRcatSDK function you would like to call.
%     For example, `MIRcatSDK_StartSweepScan`
% Variables are comma separated and are listed after the function name.
ret = calllib('MIRcatSDK','Function Name', variable1, variable2);
```

You can display all the available SDK Functions with the command:

```
libfunctions('MIRcatSDK')
```

Getting SDK API Version

```
-----\n');
fprintf('=======
fprintf('Quering API Version ... ');
% Create your variables and Pointers if necessary.
major = uint16(0);
majorPtr = libpointer('uint16Ptr', major);
minor = uint16(0);
minorPtr = libpointer('uint16Ptr', minor);
patch = uint16(0);
patchPtr = libpointer('uint16Ptr', patch);
% Call the function
ret = calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK GetAPIVersion', majorPtr, minorPtr,
patchPtr);
% Check to see if function call was Successful
if MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS == ret
    fprintf('Successful\n');
    % If the operation fails, unload the library and raise an error.
    unloadlibrary MIRcatSDK;
    error('Error! Code: %d', ret);
end
% Convert the pointer values to the original variables.
major = majorPtr.value;
minor = minorPtr.value;
patch = patchPtr.value;
fprintf(' API Version: %d.%d.%d\n', major, minor, patch);
```

Connecting to MIRcat

Setting Up and Running Scans

Quick Notes:

The MIRcat I/O has a polling frequency of about 4hz. This means that you need to sleep the system for 250 milliseconds before querying system statuses.

Scan Initialization Procedure

These are the basic steps to follow before beginning tuning the laser or beginning a scan. These steps <u>MUST</u> be executed before tuning or scanning or else the system will raise errors.

```
% Step 2: Check for Interlock Status
fprintf('Test: Is Interlock Set ... ');
isInterlockSet = false;
isInterlockSetPtr = libpointer('bool', isInterlockSet);
ret = calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK IsInterlockedStatusSet',
isInterlockSetPtr);
isInterlockSet = isInterlockSetPtr.value;
if logical(isInterlockSet)
   fprintf(' Yes\n');
else
   % If the operation fails, unload the library and raise an error.
   fprintf(' NO\n');
   calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK DeInitialize');
   unloadlibrary MIRcatSDK;
   error('Error! Interlock is not set. Code: %d', ret);
end
% Step 3: Check for Key Switch Status
fprintf('Test: Is Key Switch Set ... ');
isKeySwitchSet = false;
isKeySwitchSetPtr = libpointer('bool', isKeySwitchSet);
ret = calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK IsKeySwitchStatusSet',
isKeySwitchSetPtr);
isKeySwitchSet = isKeySwitchSetPtr.value;
if logical(isKeySwitchSet)
   fprintf(' Yes\n');
else
   % If the operation fails, unload the library and raise an error.
   fprintf(' NO\n' );
   calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK DeInitialize');
   unloadlibrary MIRcatSDK;
   error('Error! KeySwitch is not set. Code: %d', ret);
end
% Step 4: Arm the laser
```

```
fprintf('Test: Arm Laser ... ');
isArmed = false;
isArmedPtr = libpointer('bool', isArmed);
calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK IsLaserArmed', isArmedPtr);
isArmed = isArmedPtr.value;
if ~isArmed
   ret = calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK ArmDisarmLaser');
   if MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS == ret
       fprintf(' Successful\n');
======\n');
       fprintf('Test: Is Laser Armed?\n');
       % If the operation fails, unload the library and raise an error.
       fprintf(' Failure\n');
       unloadlibrary MIRcatSDK;
       error('Error! Code: %d', ret);
   end
else
   fprintf(' Already Armed\n ');
end
while ~isArmed
   calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK IsLaserArmed', isArmedPtr);
   isArmed = isArmedPtr.value;
   if logical(isArmed)
       fprintf('\tTrue\n');
   else
       fprintf('\tFalse\n');
   end
   pause (1.0);
end
% Step 5: Wait for TECs to arrive at safe operating temperature
fprintf('Are TECs at Safe Operating Temp? ... \n');
atTemp = false;
atTempPtr = libpointer('bool', atTemp);
calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK AreTECsAtSetTemperature', atTempPtr);
atTemp = atTempPtr.value;
if logical(atTemp)
   fprintf('\tTrue\n');
end
while ~atTemp
   calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK AreTECsAtSetTemperature', atTempPtr);
   atTemp = atTempPtr.value;
   if logical(atTemp)
       fprintf('\tTrue\n');
   else
       fprintf('\tFalse\n');
   end
   pause (1);
end
```

Single Tune Scan

Important: - You <u>MUST</u> cancel Manual Tune Mode before performing another type of scan or else an error will be returned.

```
fprintf('Starting Single Tune Test\n\n');
fprintf('Test: Tune to WW 8.835 Microns ... ');
ret = calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK TuneToWW', ...
   single(10.835), MIRcatSDK UNITS MICRONS, 1);
if MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS == ret
   fprintf(' Successful\n');
else
   % If the operation fails, unload the library and raise an error.
   fprintf(' Failure\n');
   calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK DeInitialize');
   unloadlibrary MIRcatSDK;
   error('Error! Code: %d', ret);
end
% Check the laser tuning
isTuned = false;
isTunedPtr = libpointer('bool', isTuned);
actualWW = single(0);
actualWWPtr = libpointer('singlePtr', actualWW);
units = uint8(0);
unitsPtr = libpointer('uint8Ptr', units);
lightValid = false;
lightValidPtr = libpointer('bool', lightValid);
fprintf('Test: Is Tuned? ... \n');
calllib('MIRcatSDK', 'MIRcatSDK IsTuned', isTunedPtr);
isTuned = isTunedPtr.value;
if isTuned
   fprintf('\t True\n');
while ~isTuned
   % Check Tuning Status
   calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK IsTuned', isTunedPtr);
   isTuned = isTunedPtr.value;
   if logical(isTuned)
       fprintf('\tTrue');
   else
       fprintf('\tFalse');
   end
   % Check Actual Wavelength
   calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK GetActualWW', actualWWPtr, unitsPtr,
lightValidPtr);
   actualWW = actualWWPtr.value;
   units = unitsPtr.value;
   fprintf('\tActual WW: %.3f \tunits: %u\n', actualWW, units);
   pause (0.1);
end
```

```
% Enable Laser Emission
fprintf('-----\n');
isEmitting = false;
isEmittingPtr = libpointer('bool', isEmitting);
calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK IsEmissionOn', isEmittingPtr);
isEmitting = isEmittingPtr.value;
if ~isEmitting
   fprintf('Enable Laser Emission...');
   ret = calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK TurnEmissionOn');
   if MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS == ret
       fprintf(' Successful\n');
   else
       % If the operation fails, unload the library and raise an error.
       fprintf('Failure\n');
       calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK DeInitialize');
       unloadlibrary MIRcatSDK;
       error('Error! Code: %d', ret);
   end
end
% Check for Laser Emission
fprintf('Is Laser Emitting? ... ');
calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK IsEmissionOn', isEmittingPtr);
isEmitting = isEmittingPtr.value;
if isEmitting
   fprintf(' True\n');
end
fprintf('\n');
while ~isEmitting
   calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK IsEmissionOn', isEmittingPtr);
   isEmitting = isEmittingPtr.value;
   if isEmitting
       fprintf('\tTrue\n');
   else
       fprintf('\tFalse\n');
   end
   pause (0.5);
end
```

After completing manually tuned scans, you must first disable manual tune mode before you can move on to another scan mode.

```
% IMPORTANT: Disable Manual Scan Tune before starting another scan
fprintf('Test: Disable Manual Tune Mode ... ');
ret = calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK_CancelManualTuneMode');
if MIRcatSDK_RET_SUCCESS == ret
    fprintf(' Successful\n');
else
    % If the operation fails, unload the library and raise an error.
    fprintf(' Failure\n');
    calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK_DeInitialize');
    unloadlibrary MIRcatSDK;
    error('Error! Code: %d', ret);
end
```

Sweep Scan

```
fprintf('========\n');
fprintf('Starting Sweep mode scan from 6.7 to 7.2 um with a speed 100 microns\n');
ret = calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK StartSweepScan', ...
    single(6.7), single(7.2), single(0.1), ...
   MIRcatSDK UNITS MICRONS, uint16(1), true, uint8(1));
if MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS == ret
    fprintf(' Successful\n');
else
    % If the operation fails, unload the library and raise an error.
    fprintf(' Failure\n');
   calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK DeInitialize');
   unloadlibrary MIRcatSDK;
   error('Error! Code: %d', ret);
end
isScanInProgress = true;
isScanInProgressPtr = libpointer('bool', isScanInProgress);
isScanActive = false;
isScanActivePtr = libpointer('bool', isScanActive);
isScanPaused = false;
isScanPausedPtr = libpointer('bool', isScanPaused);
curScanNum = uint16(0);
curScanNumPtr = libpointer('uint16Ptr', curScanNum);
curScanPercent = uint16(0);
curScanPercentPtr = libpointer ('uint16Ptr', curScanPercent);
curWW = single(0);
curWWPtr = libpointer('singlePtr', curWW);
isTECinProgress = false;
isTECinProgressPtr = libpointer('bool', isTECinProgress);
isMotionInProgress = false;
isMotionInProgressPtr = libpointer('bool', isMotionInProgress);
fprintf('==========\n');
fprintf('Test: Get Scan Status\n');
while isScanInProgress
   calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK_GetScanStatus', ...
       isScanInProgressPtr, isScanActivePtr, isScanPausedPtr, ...
       curScanNumPtr, curScanPercentPtr, curWWPtr, unitsPtr, ...
       isTECinProgressPtr, isMotionInProgressPtr);
   isScanInProgress = isScanInProgressPtr.value;
   isScanActive = isScanActivePtr.value;
   isScanPaused = isScanPausedPtr.value;
   curScanNum = curScanNumPtr.value;
   curScanPercent = curScanPercentPtr.value;
   curWW = curWWPtr.value;
   units = unitsPtr.value;
   isTECinProgress = isTECinProgressPtr.value;
   isMotionInProgress = isMotionInProgressPtr.value;
    fprintf(['\tIsScanInProgress: %d \tIsScanActive: %d \tisScanPaused: %d', ...
        '\tcurScanNum: %d \tcurWW: %.3f \tunits: %u \tcurScanPercent: %.2f', ...
        '\tisTECinProgress: %d \tisMotionInProgress: %d\n'], ...
       isScanInProgress, isScanActive, isScanPaused, curScanNum, curWW, ...
       units, curScanPercent, isTECinProgress, isMotionInProgress);
   pause (0.3);
end
```

Step-Measure Scan

```
fprintf('Starting Step-Measure Scan ... ');
ret = calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK StartStepMeasureModeScan', ...
    single(6.7), single(7.0), single(0.25), MIRcatSDK UNITS MICRONS, uint8(1));
if MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS == ret
    fprintf(' Successful\n');
    % If the operation fails, unload the library and raise an error.
    fprintf(' Failure\n');
   calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK DeInitialize');
   unloadlibrary MIRcatSDK;
   error('Error! Code: %d', ret);
end
isScanInProgress = true;
isScanInProgressPtr = libpointer('bool', isScanInProgress);
isScanActive = false;
isScanActivePtr = libpointer('bool', isScanActive);
isScanPaused = false;
isScanPausedPtr = libpointer('bool', isScanPaused);
curScanNum = uint16(0);
curScanNumPtr = libpointer('uint16Ptr', curScanNum);
curScanPercent = uint16(0);
curScanPercentPtr = libpointer ('uint16Ptr', curScanPercent);
curWW = single(0);
curWWPtr = libpointer('singlePtr', curWW);
isTECinProgress = false;
isTECinProgressPtr = libpointer('bool', isTECinProgress);
isMotionInProgress = false;
isMotionInProgressPtr = libpointer('bool', isMotionInProgress);
fprintf('===========\n');
fprintf('Test: Get Scan Status\n');
while isScanInProgress
   calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK GetScanStatus', ...
       isScanInProgressPtr, isScanActivePtr, isScanPausedPtr, ...
       curScanNumPtr, curScanPercentPtr, curWWPtr, unitsPtr, ...
       isTECinProgressPtr, isMotionInProgressPtr);
   isScanInProgress = isScanInProgressPtr.value;
   isScanActive = isScanActivePtr.value;
   isScanPaused = isScanPausedPtr.value;
   curScanNum = curScanNumPtr.value;
   curScanPercent = curScanPercentPtr.value;
   curWW = curWWPtr.value;
   units = unitsPtr.value;
   isTECinProgress = isTECinProgressPtr.value;
   isMotionInProgress = isMotionInProgressPtr.value;
    fprintf(['\tIsScanInProgress: %d \tIsScanActive: %d \tisScanPaused: %d', ...
        '\tcurScanNum: %d \tcurWW: %.3f \tunits: %u \tcurScanPercent: %.2f', ...
        '\tisTECinProgress: %d \tisMotionInProgress: %d\n'], ...
       isScanInProgress, isScanActive, isScanPaused, curScanNum, curWW, ...
       units, curScanPercent, isTECinProgress, isMotionInProgress);
   pause (0.3);
end
```

Multi-Spectral Scan

```
fprintf('=============\n');
fprintf('Starting Multi-Spectral Scan ... ');
fprintf('==========\n');
fprintf('Test: Set Amount of Multi-Specral Elements ... ');
ret = calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK SetNumMultiSpectralElements', 10);
if MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS == ret
   fprintf(' Successful\n');
else
   % If the operation fails, unload the library and raise an error.
   fprintf(' Failure\n');
   unloadlibrary MIRcatSDK;
   error('Error! Code: %d', ret);
end
fprintf('Test: Add Multi-Specral Elements ... ');
startWW = single(5.7);
for i = 0.0 : 0.5 : 4.5
   fprintf('\tTest: Add Multi-Specral Element ... ');
   ret = calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK AddMultiSpectralElement', ...
       single(startWW + i), MIRcatSDK UNITS MICRONS, 1000, 1000);
   if MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS == ret
       fprintf(' Successful\n');
   else
       % If the operation fails, unload the library and raise an error.
       fprintf(' Failure\n');
       unloadlibrary MIRcatSDK;
       error('Error! Code: %d', ret);
   end
end
fprintf('==========\n');
fprintf('Test: Start Multi-Spectral Scan ... ');
ret = calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK StartMultiSpectralModeScan', 1);
if MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS == ret
   fprintf(' Successful\n');
else
   % If the operation fails, unload the library and raise an error.
   fprintf(' Failure\n');
   unloadlibrary MIRcatSDK;
   error('Error! Code: %d', ret);
end
isScanInProgress = true;
isScanInProgressPtr = libpointer('bool', isScanInProgress);
isScanActive = false;
isScanActivePtr = libpointer('bool', isScanActive);
isScanPaused = false;
isScanPausedPtr = libpointer('bool', isScanPaused);
curScanNum = uint16(0);
curScanNumPtr = libpointer('uint16Ptr', curScanNum);
curScanPercent = uint16(0);
curScanPercentPtr = libpointer ('uint16Ptr', curScanPercent);
curWW = single(0);
curWWPtr = libpointer('singlePtr', curWW);
isTECinProgress = false;
isTECinProgressPtr = libpointer('bool', isTECinProgress);
```

```
isMotionInProgress = false;
isMotionInProgressPtr = libpointer('bool', isMotionInProgress);
fprintf('Test: Get Scan Status\n');
while isScanInProgress
   calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK GetScanStatus', ...
       isScanInProgressPtr, isScanActivePtr, isScanPausedPtr, ...
       curScanNumPtr, curScanPercentPtr, curWWPtr, unitsPtr, ...
       isTECinProgressPtr, isMotionInProgressPtr);
   isScanInProgress = isScanInProgressPtr.value;
   isScanActive = isScanActivePtr.value;
   isScanPaused = isScanPausedPtr.value;
   curScanNum = curScanNumPtr.value;
   curScanPercent = curScanPercentPtr.value;
   curWW = curWWPtr.value;
   units = unitsPtr.value;
   isTECinProgress = isTECinProgressPtr.value;
   isMotionInProgress = isMotionInProgressPtr.value;
   fprintf(['\tIsScanInProgress: %d \tIsScanActive: %d \tisScanPaused: %d', ...
       '\tcurScanNum: %d \tcurWW: %.3f \tunits: %u \tcurScanPercent: %.2f', ...
       '\tisTECinProgress: %d \tisMotionInProgress: %d\n'], ...
       isScanInProgress, isScanActive, isScanPaused, curScanNum, curWW, ...
       units, curScanPercent, isTECinProgress, isMotionInProgress);
   pause (0.3);
end
```

Disarming & Disconnecting from MIRcat

```
% Disarm Laser
fprintf('======
fprintf('Disarming Laser ... ');
ret = calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK DisarmLaser');
if MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS == ret
   fprintf('Successful\n');
else
   % If the operation fails, unload the library and raise an error.
   calllib('MIRcatSDK','MIRcatSDK DeInitialize');
   unloadlibrary MIRcatSDK;
   error('Error! Code: %d', ret);
end
% Disconnect from MIRcat
fprintf('De-Initialize MIRcatSDK ... ');
ret = calllib('MIRcatSDK', 'MIRcatSDK DeInitialize');
if MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS == ret
   fprintf('Successful\n');
else
   % If the operation fails, unload the library and raise an error.
   unloadlibrary MIRcatSDK;
   error('Error! Code: %d', ret);
end
```

Working with Python

In this example, we are going to be building a Python application using PyCharm Community Edition to interface with the MIRcat Laser. We are going to be using the 64bit Python interpreter version 3.6.0.

Important Notes:

- 1. Python interfaces nicely with the C++ language. In order to use the MIRcatSDK dll, you must use the built in library `ctypes`. Please familiarize yourself with the ctypes documentation before getting started.
- 2. The bit type of your Python complier determines which version of the MIRcatSDK.dll you should use. For example, if you are using the 32bit Python interpreter, you should use the MIRcatSDK.dll found in the `libs/x32/` directory.
- 3. Be sure to import the files 'MIRcatSDKConstants' and 'MIRcatSDKHelpers'

Requirements

- Windows OS
- USB <-> Serial Driver
- Python Interpreter

Configuring PyCharm Environment

- 1. Copy MIRcatSDK to Project Root Directory.
- 2. Import necessary libraries

```
import os
import time
from MIRcatSDKConstants import *
from MIRcatSDKHelpers import ArmAndWaitForTemp
```

3. Change working directory to libraries directory of MIRcatSDK

```
os.chdir("../libs/x64") # Change the working directory to reference libraries based on version of python x32 or x64
SDK = CDLL("MIRcatSDK")
```

Basic Operations

Getting SDK API Version

```
major = c_uint16()
minor = c_uint16()
patch = c_uint16()

print("Test: Get API Version")
ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK_GetAPIVersion(byref(major), byref(minor), byref(patch))
print(" Result: {0} \tVersion: {1}.{2}.{3}\".format(ret, major.value, minor.value, patch.value))
```

Initialize MIRcatSDK

```
# Initialize MIRcatSDK & Connect to MIRcat laser
print("Test: Initialize MIRcatSDK")
ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK_Initialize()
if ret == MIRcatSDK_RET_SUCCESS.value:
    print(" Successfully Connected to MIRcat")
else:
    print(" Failure to Initialize API. \terror Code: {0}".format(ret))
    exit(0)
```

Setting Up and Running Scans

The MIRcat I/O has a polling frequency of about 4hz. This means that you need to sleep the system for 250 milliseconds before querying system statuses.

Helper Function for Arming Laser

This is a function that is included in the example project and can be found in the file, `MIRcatSDKHelpers`. It serves as a template for arming the laser and waiting for the TECs to get to a safe operating temperature.

```
import time
from MIRcatSDKConstants import *
def ArmAndWaitForTemp(SDK, numQcls): # Do not pass in numQcls by reference
   atTemp = c bool(False)
   isArmed = c_bool(False)
   ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK IsLaserArmed(byref(isArmed))
   if not isArmed.value:
       ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK ArmDisarmLaser()
       print(" Test Result: \tret:{0}".format(ret))
       print("Test: Is Laser Armed?")
   while not isArmed.value:
       ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK IsLaserArmed(byref(isArmed))
       print(" Test Result: \tret:{0} \tIsArmed: {1}".format(ret, isArmed.value))
       time.sleep(1)
   # Wait until TECs are at temperature before doing any tuning/scanning
   # Note: This can take a while depending on how the laser is cooled.
   print("#*************
                                        *********
   print("Test : TEC Temperature Status")
   ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK AreTECsAtSetTemperature(byref(atTemp))
   print(" Test Result: {0} \tatTemp = {1}".format(ret, atTemp.value))
   tecCur = c uint16(0)
   qclTemp = c float(0)
   while not atTemp.value:
       for i in range(1, numQcls.value + 1):
           ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK GetQCLTemperature(c uint8(i), byref(qclTemp))
           print(" Test Result: \tret:{0} \tQCL:{1} \tTemp: {2:.5} C"
                .format(ret, i, gclTemp.value))
           ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK GetTecCurrent(c uint8(i), byref(tecCur))
           print(" Test Result: \tret:{0} \tTEC:{1} \tCurrent: {2} mA"
                 .format(ret, i, tecCur.value))
```

Scan Initialization Structure

```
isInterlockSet = c bool(False)
isKeySwitchSet = c bool(False)
numQCLs = c uint8(0)
# Step 1: Get the number of installed QCLs
print("Test: How many QCLs?")
SDK.MIRcatSDK GetNumInstalledQcls(byref(numQCLs))
print(" QCLs: {0}".format(numQCLs.value))
# Step 2: Check for Interlock Status
print("Test: Is Interlock Set?")
ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK IsInterlockedStatusSet(byref(isInterlockSet))
if isInterlockSet.value:
  print(" Interlock Set: {0}".format(isInterlockSet.value))
   print(" Interlock Set: {0} \tret:{0}".format(isInterlockSet.value, ret))
   exit(0)
# Step 3: Check for Key Switch Status
print("#***
print("Test: Is Key Switch Set?")
ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK IsKeySwitchStatusSet(byref(isKeySwitchSet))
if isKeySwitchSet.value:
  print(" KeySwitch Set: {0}".format(isKeySwitchSet.value))
   print(" KeySwitch Set: {0} \tret:{1}".format(isKeySwitchSet.value, ret))
   exit(0)
# Step 4: Arm the laser
print("Test: Arm Laser")
ArmAndWaitForTemp(SDK, numQCLs)
```

Single Tune Test

Important: You <u>MUST</u> cancel Manual Tune Mode before performing another type of scan or else you will get returned an error.

```
print("Test: Check Tuned Wavelength")
tunedWW = c float()
units = c uint8()
QCL = c uint8()
ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK GetTuneWW(byref(tunedWW), byref(units), byref(QCL))
print(" Test Results:\tret:{0} \tWavelength: {1:.5} \tUnits: {2}
\tQCL:{3}".format(ret, tunedWW.value, units.value, QCL.value))
print("Test: Is Tuned?")
isTuned = c bool(False)
actualWW = c float()
lightValid = c bool()
while not isTuned.value:
   """"Check Tuning Status"""
   ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK IsTuned(byref(isTuned))
   print(" Test Result:\tret:{0} \tisTuned: {1}".format(ret, isTuned.value))
   """Check Actual Wavelength"""
   ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK GetActualWW(byref(actualWW), byref(units), byref(lightValid))
   print(" Test Result:\tret:{0} \tActual WW: {1:.5} \tUnits:{2} \tLight Valid:
{3}".format(ret, actualWW.value, units.value, lightValid.value))
  time.sleep(0.05)
print("Test: Enable Laser Emission")
ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK TurnEmissionOn()
print(" Test Result: ret:{0}".format(ret))
print("Test : Is laser emitting?")
isEmitting = c bool(False)
while not isEmitting.value:
  ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK IsEmissionOn(byref(isEmitting))
   print(" Test Result:\tret:{0} \tIs Emitting: {1}".format(ret, isEmitting.value))
   time.sleep(0.5)
print("Test: Disable Laser")
ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK TurnEmissionOff()
print(" Test Result:\tret:{0}".format(ret))
print("Test : Is laser emitting?")
ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK IsEmissionOn(byref(isEmitting))
print(" Test Result:\tret:{0} \tIs Emitting: {1}".format(ret, isEmitting.value))
```

After completing manually tuned scans, you must first disable manual tune mode before you can move on to another scan mode.

Sweep Scan

```
# Step 5: Start Sweep Scan
print("Starting Sweep mode scan from 6.7 to 7.2 um with a speed 100 microns")
ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK StartSweepScan(c float(6.7), c float(7.2), c float(.1),
MIRCatSDK UNITS MICRONS, c uint16(1), c bool(True), c uint8(1))
print(" Test Result:\tret:{0}".format(ret))
if ret == MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS.value:
   isScanInProgress = c_bool(True)
   isScanActive = c bool(False)
   isScanPaused = c bool(False)
   curScanNum = c_uint16()
   curScanPercent = c uint16()
   curWW = c float()
   isTECinProgress = c bool()
   isMotionInProgress = c bool()
   print("#*****
   while isScanInProgress.value:
       print("Test: Get Scan Status")
       ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK GetScanStatus( byref(isScanInProgress),
byref(isScanActive), byref(isScanPaused),
                                     byref(curScanNum), byref(curScanPercent),
byref(curWW),
                                     byref(units), byref(isTECinProgress),
byref(isMotionInProgress))
       print(" Test Result:\tisScanInProgress = {} \tisScanActive = {}
\tbisScanPaused = {} \tCurScanNum = {}"
             .format(isScanInProgress.value, isScanActive.value, isScanPaused.value,
curScanNum.value))
       print(" Test Result:\tCurrentWW= {0:.3} \tUnits = {1} \tCurrentScanPercent =
{2} \tisTECInProgress = {3} \tisMotionInProgress = {4}"
             .format(curWW.value, units.value, curScanPercent.value,
isTECinProgress.value, isMotionInProgress.value))
       ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK GetActualWW(byref(actualWW), byref(units),
byref(lightValid))
       print(" Test Result:\tActual WW: {:.3} \tValid: {}\n"
             .format(actualWW.value, lightValid.value))
       time.sleep(0.3)
```

Step-Measure Scan

```
print("Starting Step-Measure Scan")
ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK StartStepMeasureModeScan(c float(6.7), c float(7.0),
c float(0.25), MIRcatSDK UNITS MICRONS, c uint8(1))
print(" Test Result:\tret:{}".format(ret))
time.sleep(0.1)
if ret == MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS.value:
   isScanInProgress = c bool(True)
   print("#****************
                                   *************
   while isScanInProgress.value:
       print("Test: Get Scan Status")
       ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK GetScanStatus(byref(isScanInProgress),
byref(isScanActive), byref(isScanPaused),
                                       byref(curScanNum), byref(curScanPercent),
byref(curWW),
                                       byref(units), byref(isTECinProgress),
byref(isMotionInProgress))
       print(" Test Result:\tisScanInProgress = {} \tisScanActive = {}
\tbisScanPaused = {} \tCurScanNum = {}"
            .format(isScanInProgress.value, isScanActive.value, isScanPaused.value,
curScanNum.value))
       print(
           " Test Result:\tCurrentWW= {0:.3} \tUnits = {1} \tCurrentScanPercent = {2}
\tisTECInProgress = {3} \tisMotionInProgress = {4}"
           .format(curWW.value, units.value, curScanPercent.value,
isTECinProgress.value, isMotionInProgress.value))
       ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK GetActualWW(byref(actualWW), byref(units),
byref(lightValid))
       print(" Test Result:\tActual WW: {:.3} \tValid: {}\n"
             .format(actualWW.value, lightValid.value))
       time.sleep(0.3)
```

Multi-Spectral Scan

```
print("#******
                 print("Starting Multi-Spectral Scan\n\n")
# Step 5: Set the amount of Multi-Spectral Elements
print("Test: SetNumMultiSpectralElements")
SDK.MIRcatSDK SetNumMultiSpectralElements(10)
print(" Test Result:\tret:{0}".format(ret))
# Step 6: Add Multi-Spectral Elements
fScanWW = 5.7
i = 0.0
while i < 5.0: # Python does not easily support for-loops with floats
   print("Test : AddMultiSpectralElement")
    ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK AddMultiSpectralElement(c float(fScanWW + i),
MIRCatSDK UNITS MICRONS, c uint32(1000), c uint32(1000))
   print(" Test Result:\tret:{0}".format(ret))
    i += 0.5
print("#******
print("Test: StartMultiSpectralModeScan")
# Step 7: Start the Multi-Spectral Scan
ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK StartMultiSpectralModeScan(c uint16(1))
print(" Test Result:\tret:{0}".format(ret))
if ret == MIRcatSDK RET SUCCESS.value:
   isScanInProgress = c bool(True)
   print("#*******
                                ******************************
    while isScanInProgress.value:
       print("Test: Get Scan Status")
       ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK GetScanStatus(byref(isScanInProgress),
byref(isScanActive), byref(isScanPaused),
                                        byref(curScanNum), byref(curScanPercent),
byref(curWW),
                                        byref(units), byref(isTECinProgress),
byref(isMotionInProgress))
       print(" Test Result:\tisScanInProgress = {} \tisScanActive = {}
\tbisScanPaused = {} \tCurScanNum = {}"
             .format(isScanInProgress.value, isScanActive.value, isScanPaused.value,
curScanNum.value))
       print(
           " Test Result:\tCurrentWW= {0:.3} \tUnits = {1} \tCurrentScanPercent = {2}
\tisTECInProgress = {3} \tisMotionInProgress = {4}"
           .format(curWW.value, units.value, curScanPercent.value,
isTECinProgress.value, isMotionInProgress.value))
       ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK GetActualWW(byref(actualWW), byref(units),
byref(lightValid))
       print(" Test Result:\tActual WW: {:.3} \tValid: {}\n"
             .format(actualWW.value, lightValid.value))
      time.sleep(0.3)
```

Disarming & Disconnecting from MIRcat

```
# Disarm Laser
print("Attempting to Disarm Laser...")
ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK DisarmLaser()
print(" Test Result: {0}".format(ret))
# Check Arming Status
print("Test: Is Laser Armed?")
isArmed = c bool(True)
ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK IsLaserArmed(byref(isArmed))
print(" Test Result: {0} \tis Armed: {1}".format(ret, isArmed.value))
# Disconnect from MIRcat
print("Attempting to De-Initialize MIRcatSDK...")
ret = SDK.MIRcatSDK DeInitialize()
print(" Test Result: {0}".format(ret))
```