
Tausand AB1000 Matlab library example: Multiple Read Example

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Reads continuously and saves data from a Tausand Abacus coincidence counter. Uses functions in the Tausand_AB1000_MatlabLibrary. Handles errors and retry readings and connections when lost. To be used in Matlab's command window.

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Constants to be defined by user

Change this parameter to set how many samples to read:

```
samples_to_read = 10;
```

Change this parameter to set your sampling time. 1000=1s:

```
my_sampling_time_ms = 1000;
```

Change this port to the adequate one:

```
my_port = 'COM23';
```

Define the desired channels to be read. Example:

```
channels_to_read = ["A", "B", "C", "AB", "AC", "multiple_1"]; %multiple_1  
corresponds to a multi-fold measurement, to be configured, e.g. 'ABC'
```

Establish a connection

```
disp("*****");  
disp("MATLAB multiple read example");  
disp("*****");  
disp("1. Establish a connection");
```

```
my_abacus = openAbacus(my_port)  
device_idn = idnQuery(my_abacus)
```

```
*****  
MATLAB multiple read example
```

```
*****
1. Establish a connection

Serial Port Object : Serial-COM23 AB1504

Communication Settings
  Port:          COM23
  BaudRate:      115200
  Terminator:    'LF'

Communication State
  Status:        open
  RecordStatus:  off

Read/Write State
  TransferStatus:  idle
  BytesAvailable:  0
  ValuesReceived:  21
  ValuesSent:      7

device_idn =

'Tausand Abacus AB1504'
```

Write and read new settings

```
disp("2. Write and read new settings");

2. Write and read new settings

Write settings, using configureByName function:

configureByName(my_abacus, "sampling", my_sampling_time_ms);

Several configurations may be applied with a single command line:

configureByName(my_abacus, ...
    ["coincidence_window", "delay_A", "delay_B", "sleep_A", "sleep_B"], ...
    [50, 0, 10, 0, 20]);
%this sets: coincidence_window=50ns, delay_A=0ns, delay_B=10ns,
%sleep_A=0ns, sleep_B=20ns.

Upgrade 'TAUSAND:timeout' warning to an error, to catch them.

my_warn = warning('error', 'TAUSAND:timeout');

Read current settings

max_try=5;
for attempt=1:max_try
    try
        [setting_values, setting_labels]=queryAllSettings(my_abacus);
        current_settings=[setting_labels, setting_values];
```

```
disp('Current settings are:');
disp([setting_labels,setting_values]);
break;
catch ME
    switch ME.identifier
        case {'TAUSAND:unexpectedReadByte',...
              'TAUSAND:checksumFailed','TAUSAND:timeout'}
            %ignore these errors, just retry.
        case 'MATLAB:serial:fwrite:opfailed'
            %if connection is lost, maybe device has been
            %disconnected
            closeAbacus(my_abacus)
            try
                openAbacus(my_abacus)
            catch
                %ignore error
            end
        otherwise
            warning('Unexpected error. Device connection closed.')
            closeAbacus(my_abacus)
            rethrow(ME)
    end
end
end
warning(my_warn.state, 'TAUSAND:timeout'); % Restore this warning back
to their previous (non-error) state
if (attempt == max_try)
    warning('TAUSAND:timeout',['Communication error after
    ',int2str(max_try),' attempts']);
end

Current settings are:
"sampling"           "1000"
"coincidence_window" "50"
"delay_A"            "0"
"delay_B"            "10"
"delay_C"            "36"
"delay_D"            "0"
"sleep_A"            "0"
"sleep_B"            "20"
"sleep_C"            "0"
"sleep_D"            "0"
"config_multiple_1"  "208"
```

Create plaintext file

```
disp("3. Create file");
date_time_string = string(datetime,'yyyy-MM-dd_HH:mm:ss');
column_headers = cat(2,['PC time',"countersID"],channels_to_read);
file_name =
    strcat('data_multipleReadExample_',date_time_string,'.txt');

3. Create file
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Create file,

```
myfile = fopen(file_name, 'a'); %create file in append mode
disp(strcat("File ",file_name," has been created"));
```

File data_multipleReadExample_2021-03-15_161208.txt has been created

and write file headers,

```
fwrite(myfile,['multipleReadExample',newline]);
fwrite(myfile,['-----',newline]);
fwrite(myfile,['Begin time: ',char(date_time_string),newline]);
fwrite(myfile,['Device: ',device_idn,newline]);
fwrite(myfile,['Settings: ',newline]);
fprintf(myfile,'%s\t%s\n',[setting_labels,num2str(setting_values)]');
fwrite(myfile,[newline,newline]);
fprintf(myfile,'%s\t',column_headers);
fwrite(myfile,newline);
```

Multiple read using function waitAndGetValues

```
disp('4. Multiple read using waitAndGetValues function begins');
fprintf('\t%s',column_headers); %print in command window
fprintf('\n');
tMultipleReadExample = tic;
for sample=1:samples_to_read
    try
        my_data = waitAndGetValues(my_abacus,channels_to_read);
        s=strcat(sprintf('%.3f',toc(tMultipleReadExample)),sprintf('\t
%d',my_data),string(newline));
        fwrite(myfile,s);
        t = [num2str(sample), '/', num2str(samples_to_read)];
        fprintf('%s\t%s',t,s); %print data in command window
    catch ME
        switch ME.identifier
            case {'TAUSAND:unexpectedReadByte',...
                  'TAUSAND:checksumFailed','TAUSAND:timeout'}
                %ignore these errors, just continue.
            case 'MATLAB:serial:fwrite:opfailed'
                %if connection is lost, maybe device has been
                %disconnected
                closeAbacus(my_abacus)
                try
                    openAbacus(my_abacus)
                catch
                    %ignore error
                end
            otherwise
                warning('Unexpected error. Device connection closed.
File access closed.')
                fclose(myfile);
                closeAbacus(my_abacus)
                rethrow(ME)
        end
end
```

```
end  
end
```

```
4. Multiple read using waitAndGetValues function begins  
PC time countersID A B C AB AC multiple_1  
1/10 1.086 1 15624 31249 31249 15624 15624 1736  
2/10 2.071 2 15625 31250 31250 15625 15625 1736  
3/10 3.154 3 15625 31249 31249 15625 15625 1737  
4/10 4.055 4 15624 31249 31249 15624 15624 1736  
5/10 5.410 5 15625 31250 31250 15625 15625 1736  
6/10 6.076 6 15625 31249 31249 15625 15625 1736  
7/10 7.058 7 15624 31249 31249 15624 15624 1736  
8/10 8.057 8 15625 31250 31250 15625 15625 1736  
9/10 9.038 9 15625 31249 31249 15625 15625 1736  
10/10 10.039 10 15624 31249 31249 15624 15624 1736
```

Close connection and close file

```
fclose(myfile);  
closeAbacus(my_abacus)
```

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