

# TMcraft Node API Function Manual

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## 1. Overview

TMcraft Node is a customized Node developed based on C#/WPF for use in flow projects. Users can use TMcraft Node in the following scenarios:

- 1. Device Node: to set up the 3rd party device and manipulate it during the project run.
- 2. Application Node: to set up an application (such as palletizing, machine tending, etc.) and carry out the process during the project run. Here is an example of a TMcraft Node customized for welding:



Figure 1: A Sample of TMcraft Node for welding

Like using other nodes, users can drag the TMcraft Node onto the flow and edit the settings through its custom GUI. When closing the Node editing UI, the TMcraft Node should be programmed to gather the settings, generate the correspond TMscript and add it to the project. As the project runs and reaches the TMcraft Node, the robot should runs that TMscript. Using the TMcraft API, the TMcraft Node program can interact with TMflow, performing tasks like creating variables, jogging the robot, generating TMscript, and more.

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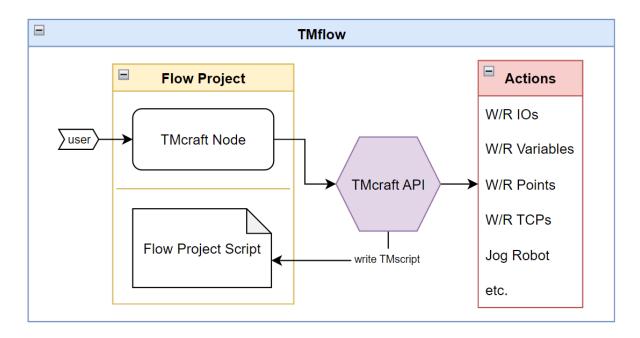


Figure 2: System architecture of TMcraft Node within TMflow

Plugins	Node	Shell	Toolbar	Satur
capabilities	Node	Sneii	Toolbar	Setup
Base (Add/Edit/Delete)	✓			✓
Point (Add/Edit/Delete)	✓			✓
Tool (Add/Edit/Delete)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Digital IO (Read/Write)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Analog IO (Read/Write)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Project Variables (New/Edit)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Global Variables (New/Edit)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Vision Job (Add/Open/Delete)	✓			
Jog the robot	✓	✓	✓	
Freebot (Set/Get)	✓	✓	✓	✓
End Button Event	✓	✓	✓	✓
Get Current Language	✓	✓	✓	✓
Get TMflow Type	✓	✓	✓	✓
Text file (Read/Write)	✓	✓	✓	✓
TMscript on flow project (Read/Write)	✓			✓
Login/Logout/Get Control		✓		
script Project (Add/Edit/Delete)		✓		
Robot status (Error, Run, etc.)		✓	✓	
Error Event		✓	✓	
Virtual Robot Stick		✓		
Export/Import		✓		
Variables Runtime Value (Read/Write)		✓	Read only	

Table 1: A brief overview of the capabilities of various TMcraft plugin APIs

To develop and implement a TMcraft Node, developers should firstly build it as a User Control Library (dll file, not exe file). Next, generate a TMcraft Node zip with the TMcraft Packer from the TMcraft Development Kit;



during the process, the TMcraft Packer complie compile the User Control Library into an execution file and zip it with the resource files within the source folder. Finally, import the TMcraft Node zip to TMflow.

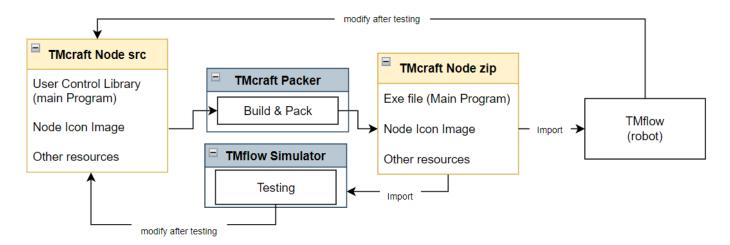


Figure 3: Development Process of a TMcraft Node

This manual briefly explains the framework of a TMcraft Node Program and outlines all TMcraft Node API functions. Note that this manual does not cover all enums and additional classes of TMcraft API, but the most relevant to TMcraft Node.



# 2. Programming with TMcraft API

To understand the TMcraft Node program structure, refer the sample code below.

```
using TMcraft;
namespace TMcraftSample
{
    public partial class UserControl1: UserControl, ITMcraftNodeEntry
         TMcraftNodeAPI NodeUI;
         string _TMscript = string.Empty;
        bool fgSave = false;
        public MainPage()
             InitializeComponent();
        }
        public void InitializeNode (TMcraftNodeAPI _NodeUI) //executed when the node is opened
        {
             NodeUI = NodeUI; //connect TMflow
        }
        public void InscribeScript(ScriptWriteProvider scriptWriter) //executed when the node is closed
             if(fgSave)
                 scriptWriter.AppendScript(_TMscript); //_TMscript can be modified elsewhere
        }
}
```

First, TMcraft.dll should be included as reference (using TMcraft). Secondly, implement the Interface ITMcraftNodeEntry to the User Control class. This interface has two members that require implementation: InitializeNode() and InscribeScript().

- 1. InitializeNode() is activated once opened the Node UI, which connects the Node with TMflow (technically, this makes the User Control member NodeUI (a TMcraftNodeAPI object) available for calling all sorts of TMcraft functions, such as DataStorageProvider.SaveData()).
- 2. InscribeScript() is activated when the Node UI is closed. Developers should define what TMscript to implement to a flow project by using ScriptWriteProvider functions.

The rest of the Program should be all sorts of event functions that can interact with TMflow through TMcraft functions.



In addition, the TMcraft Node API includes an additional file: TMcraftNodeType.dll. This file contains API functions that allow developers to specify and define the output type of the TMcraft Node, providing greater flexible usage on a flow project.



# 3. TMcraft API functions (Node related)

## 3.1 TMcraftNodeAPI

TMcraft.dll is a combination of the APIs of all sort of TMcraft items; for TMcraft Node, please declare an object of the class *TMcraftNodeAPI* and use the function within. Like other TMcraft API, *TMcraftNodeIAPI* contains different members (or providers) functions in order to interact with TMflow, such as creating Project variables or jogging the robot, etc.



#### **IMPORTANT**:

TM AI + AOI Edge comes without any robot-related functionality, so it does not support some TMcraft API functions. For TMcraft Node, the unsupported functions include:

- BaseProvider: all functions
- PointProvider: all functions
- RobotJogProvider: all functions
- RobotStatusProvider: all functions
- TCPProvider: all functions
- Enumeration types: FreeBotMode, MoveMode, RobotEventType
- Additional class: BaseInfo, FreebotInfo, PointInfo, TCPInfo

#### 3.1.1 Version

## **Syntax**

string TMcraftNodeAPI.Version

## **Description**

A member of the TMcraftNodeAPI class. Returns a string represents the version of the current TMcraft.dll and is read-only.

#### Return

string

Version of the current TMcraft API

#### 3.1.2 Close

## **Syntax**

TMcraft.TMcraftErr Close()

#### **Description**

Closes the current TMcraft node.

#### **Parameters**

No parameters are required.

#### Return

TMcraft.TMcraftErr

Returns TMcraftErr.OK if the function works properly; otherwise, returns the corresponding TMcraftErr. For more detail, please check enum TMcraft.TMcraftErr.

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#### 3.1.3 GetErrMsg

#### **Syntax**



```
TMcraft.TMcraftErr GetErrMsg(
unit errorCode,
out string ErrorMessage
)
```

Output the error message according to the error code input. This function is used for checking the result of calling Provider functions.

**Parameters** 

errorCode The unit error code returned by most Provider functions.

errorMessage Response the associated error message by the input error code.

Return

TMcraftErr Returns TMcraftErr.OK if the function works properly; otherwise, re-

turns the corresponding TMcraftErr. For more detail, please check

enum TMcraft.TMcraftErr.

# 3.2 ITMcraftNodeEntry

ITMcraftNodeEntry is an Interface provided by TMcraft API which defines a contract of being a TMcraft Node. Any class that implements this contract must provide an implementation of two members defined in the Interface: InitializeNode() and InscribeScript().

#### 3.2.1 InitializeNode

#### **Syntax**

```
void InitializeNode(
          TMcraftNodeAPI tMNodeEditer
)
```

#### **Description**

Initializes the Node with user-defined actions.

**Parameters** 

tMNodeEditor The TMcraftNodeAPI object connects the TMcraft Node with TMflow.

Return

None.

## 3.2.2 InscribeScript

#### **Syntax**

```
void InscribeScript(
ScriptWriteProvider scriptwriter
```

## Description

This function executes when TMcraft Node is about to close and actions can be defined



within it. Usually, the major action is using ScriptWriteProvider functions to define the script to execute during project run. Please note that, if AppendScript or AppendLine is used within this function, the previously saved script will be cleared and replaced by the script on the buffer.

**Parameters** 

scriptWriter A ScriptWriteProvider Object, which is used for calling Append-

Line() or AppendScript().

Return

None.

# 3.3 ITMcraftNodeOutputTypeEntry

ITMcraftNodeOutputTypeEntry is an Interface within TMcraftNodeType.dll. Through this interface, developers can further define the output type of the TMcraft Node.

## 3.3.1 InitializeNodeOutputType

## **Syntax**

void InitializeNodeOutputType()

## Description

Member function of the interface ITMcraftNodeOutputTypeEntry. In this function, other members of ITMcraftNodeOutputTypeEntry should be assigned in order to define the output type.

#### **Parameters**

None.

Return

None.

## 3.3.2 DefineNodeOutputType

#### **Syntax**

NodeOutputTypeTemplate DefineNodeOutputType { get; set; }

#### **Description**

Member of the interface ITMcraftNodeOutputTypeEntry that defines the output type of the TMcraft Node. Assign this member with enum NodeOutputTypeTemplate within the function InitializeNodeOutputType().

## 3.3.3 DefineBinaryNodeTemplate

#### **Syntax**

BinaryNodeTemplate DefineBinaryNodeTemplate { get; set; }

#### **Description**

Member of the interface ITMcraftNodeOutputTypeEntry that defines the binary node tem-



plate. Assigns this member with enum BinaryNodeTemplate inside the function Initial-izeNodeOutputType(). Note that this member is significant if and only if the output type is already defined as Binary, i.e., DefineNodeOutputType = NodeOutputTypeTemplate.Binary.

#### 3.3.4 DefineCaseNodes

#### **Syntax**

List<string> DefineCaseNodes { get; set; }

## Description

Member of the interface ITMcraftNodeOutputTypeEntry that defines the cases nodes of the TMcraft Node. Assigns this member with a list of strings (i.e. List<string>) inside the function InitializeNodeOutputType(); the numbers of items within the list defines how much cases nodes the TMcraft Node has, and each string defines the name of each case nodes. Note that this member is significant if and only if the output type is already defined as Muliple, i.e., DefineNodeOutputType = NodeOutputTypeTemplate.Multi.

## 3.4 BaseProvider

BaseProvider provides functions for TMcraft Node to access or modify the base value of the current Project.

#### 3.4.1 ChangeBaseValue

## **Syntax**

```
uint ChangeBaseValue(
string baseName,
float[] baseData
)
```

## **Description**

Modifies a specific Base.

#### **Parameters**

baseName Name of the target Base.

baseData A 6×1 float array, {x, y, z, rx, ry, rz}, that can be the new value of the

target Base.

## Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.4.2 CreateNewBase

#### **Syntax**



```
uint CreateNewBase(
string baseName,
float[] baseData
```

)

Creates a new Base.

**Parameters** 

baseName Name of the base being created

baseData A 6×1 float array, {x, y, z, rx, ry, rz}, that defines the newly created base.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.4.3 DeleteBase

## **Syntax**

```
uint DeleteBase(
    string baseName
)
```

## **Description**

Deletes a specific Base.

**Parameters** 

baseName Name of the Base being deleted.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.4.4 GetBaseList

## **Syntax**

## **Description**

Gets the Base list of the current project.

**Parameters** 

bases A List of BaseInfo objects.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.4.5 IsBaseExist



```
Syntax
```

```
bool IsBaseExist(
    string baseName
)
```

Check if a specific Base exists or not.

**Parameters** 

baseName Name of the Base being checked.

Return

bool True if the base exists, false if not.

## 3.5 DataStorageProvider

DataStorageProvider provides functions for TMcraft Node to access its own temporarily stored data (for configuration purposes, for example). Please note that a TMflow project can contain a single TMcraft Node in duplicate, and these nodes do not share their own data with each another. TMcraft API ensures each node accesses its own temporarily stored data, depending on the identity/location of the node.

## 3.5.1 GetAllData

## **Syntax**

```
uint GetAllData(
    out Dictionary<string, object> dataSet
```

## **Description**

Gets all data (Dictionary Type) from the current TMcraft Node data storage.

**Parameters** 

dataSet A Dictionary type of all data stored within the current node.

Return

Unit The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.5.2 GetData

## Syntax 1

```
uint GetData(
    string key,
    out BaseInfo data
)
```

## **Description**

Gets a specific BaseInfo type data from the current TMcraft Node data storage by to the string key.

#### **Parameters**



key A string key that provides access to the data.

data BaseInfo type data being output.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## Syntax 2

```
uint GetData(
string key,
out PointInfo data
)
```

## **Description**

Gets a specific PointInfo type data from the current TMcraft Node data storage by the string key.

#### **Parameters**

key A string key that provides access to the data.

data PointInfo type data being output.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## Syntax 3

```
uint GetData(
string key,
out string data
)
```

## Description

Gets a string data, along with its corresponding string key. Please note that this data belongs to the current TMcraft Node only.

#### **Parameters**

key A string key that provides access to its corresponding data.

data String type data being output.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## Syntax 4

```
uint GetData(
    List<string> keys,
    out Dictionary<string,object> dataSet
)
```

## **Description**

Gets a Dictionary Type of data set, which corresponds to a certain List of string keys, from



the current TMcraft Node.

**Parameters** 

keys A List of string keys that can provide access to corresponding data

stored within the current node.

dataSet Dictionary<string, object> being output.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

3.5.3 SaveData

## Syntax 1

```
SaveData(
string key,
string data
)
```

## **Description**

Saves a string data, along with its string key. Please note that this data belongs to the current TMcraft Node only.

**Parameters** 

key A string key that provides access to its corresponding data.

data String data being stored.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## Syntax 2

## **Description**

Saves a DictionaryType (a collection of string keys and string data). Please note that this dictionary of data belongs to the current TMcraft Node only.

**Parameters** 

dataSet A Dictionary Type of data stored within the current node.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## Syntax 3

```
uint SaveData(
string key,
BaseInfo data
```



)

## **Description**

Saves a BaseInfo type data, along with its corresponding string key. Please note that this data belongs to the current TMcraft Node only.

#### **Parameters**

key A string key that provides access to its corresponding data.

data BaseInfo data being stored.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## Syntax 4

```
uint SaveData(
    Dictionary<string, BaseInfo> dataSet
)
```

## Description

Saves a Dictionary Type, along with string keys and BaseInfo data it contains. Please note that this dictionary of data belongs to the current TMcraft Node only.

#### **Parameters**

dataSet A Dictionary type of data stored within the current node.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## Syntax 5

```
uint SaveData(
string key,
PointInfo data
```

## **Description**

Save a PointInfo type data, along with its corresponding string key. Please note that this data belongs to the current TMcraft Node only.

#### **Parameters**

key A string key that provides access to its corresponding data.

data PointInfo type data being stored.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## Syntax 6

```
uint SaveData(
    Dictionary<string, PointInfo> dataSet
)
```



Saves a Dictionary Type that is defined by string keys and PointInfo data. Please note that this dictionary of data belongs to the current TMcraft Node only.

**Parameters** 

dataSet A Dictionary type of data stored within the current node.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.6 EndButtonEventProvider

EndButtonEventProvider contains functions related to the end button event.

## 3.6.1 HasEndButtonEventOwnership

**Syntax** 

uint HasEndButtonEventOwnership()

Description

TMcraft plugin can call this function to check if it has the end button event ownership or not. If yes, this TMcraft plugin is the only one who can recieve the end button event signal.

**Parameters** 

None

Return

bool Returns True if the TMcraft plugin has the end button event owner-

ship; otherwise, returns Fail.

## 3.6.2 IsEndButtonBoardcastMode

**Syntax** 

uint IsEndButtonBoardcastMode()

Description

TMcraft plugin can call this function to check if the end button event is currently in boardcast mode. If yes, that means all TMcraft plugins can recieve the event signal; otherwise, one of the TMcraft plugin has the ownership. i.e. other plugins recieve no signal from the event.

**Parameters** 

None

Return

bool Returns True if the end button event is currenly in boardcast mode;

otherwise, returns Fail.

## 3.6.3 ReleaseEndButtonEventOwnership

**Syntax** 

uint ReleaseEndButtonEventOwnership()

## Description



TMcraft plugin can call this function to release the button event ownership.

**Parameters** 

None

Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.6.4 SetEndButtonEventOwnership

## **Syntax**

uint SetEndButtonEventOwnership()

**Description** 

TMcraft plugin can call this function to get the end button event ownership.

**Parameters** 

None

Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.6.5 EndButtonClickEvent

## **Description**

An event type denotes to the click event occurred on the buttons of the End Module. Function can be linked to this event so that it will be activated once the event is triggered.

## 3.7 FreebotProvider

FreeBotProvider provides functions related to freebot.

#### 3.7.1 GetFreeBot

## **Syntax**

```
uint GetFreeBot(
    out FreeBotInfo freeBot
)
```

## **Description**

Gets the value of the current FreeBot settings.

#### **Parameters**

freeBot Value of the current FreeBot settings defined by FreeBotInfo.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.7.2 HoldFreeBotKeyToHandGuide

## **Syntax**

uint HoldFreeBotKeyToHandGuide(

bool holdKey



)

## **Description**

Mimics holding the freebot button to enter hand guide mode. Note that, calling this function alone is not enough, another function KeepFreeBot should be running at the same time.

#### **Parameters**

holdKey True means to activate the hand guide mode; false means to deac-

tivate.

Return

The error code that represents the result of the function calling. uint

## 3.7.3 KeepFreeBot

## **Syntax**

uint KeepFreeBot()

## Description

Keep the current hand guide mode. After sending HoldFreeBotKeyToHandGuide, this function should be keep sending every 100 - 500 ms until the hand guiding ends, otherwise, the robot will leave hand guide mode.

#### **Parameters**

None

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.7.4 SetFreeBot

## **Syntax**

```
uint SetFreeBot(
   FreeBotInfo freeBot
```

#### **Description**

Sets FreeBot settings.

#### **Parameters**

freeBot A FreeBotInfo being assigned as FreeBot settings.

Return

The error code that represents the result of the function calling. uint

## 3.8 IOProvider

IOProvider provides functions for TMcraft Node to interact with system I/O.

#### 3.8.1 GetAllIOData

## **Syntax**

uint GetAllIOData(



```
out List<DevicelOInfo> ioData
)
```

Gets all IO status.

#### **Parameters**

ioData A List of DevicelOInfo objects that denotes all IO status data.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.8.2 ReadAnalogInput

## **Syntax**

```
uint ReadAnalogInput(
IO_TYPE type,
int deviceSerialNum,
int channelNum,
out float value
```

## Description

Read the status of a specific Analog Input.

#### **Parameters**

type The IO TYPE enum that defines which device the target Analog In-

put belongs to.

deviceSerialNum Device serial number, which always starts from 0 and is more

meaningful if the target device is an external IO module because there might be multiple external IO module devices within the system. The number is 0 if the target device is the Control box IO board or end module IO board because there are only one Control

box IO board and one end module IO board.

channelNum Channel number.

value Analog Input value, ranged from -10V to 10V.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.8.3 ReadAnalogOutput

#### **Syntax**

```
uint ReadAnalogOutput(
IO_TYPE type,
int deviceSerialNum,
int channelNum,
out float value
```



Read the status of a specific Analog Output.

#### **Parameters**

type The IO TYPE enum that defines which device the target Analog

Output belongs to.

deviceSerialNum Device serial number, which always starts from 0 and is more

meaningful if the target device is an external IO module because there might be multiple external IO module devices within the system. The number is 0 if the target device is the Control box IO board or end module IO board because there are only one Control

box IO board and one end module IO board.

channelNum Channel number.

value Analog Output value, ranged from -10V to 10V.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.8.4 ReadDigitInput

## **Syntax**

```
uint ReadDigitInput(
IO_TYPE type,
int deviceSerialNum,
int channelNum,
out bool status
)
```

## **Description**

Read the status of a specific Digital Input.

#### **Parameters**

type The IO TYPE enum that defines which device the target Digital In-

put belongs to.

deviceSerialNum Device serial number, which always starts from 0 and is more

meaningful if the target device is an external IO module because there might be multiple external IO module devices within the system. The number is 0 if the target device is the Control box IO board or end module IO board because there are only one Control

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box IO board and one end module IO board.

channelNum Channel number.

status Digital Input status, where bool true is HIGH and bool false is LOW.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.



## 3.8.5 ReadDigitOutput

#### **Syntax**

```
uint ReadDigitOutput(
IO_TYPE type,
int deviceSerialNum,
int channelNum,
out bool status
)
```

## **Description**

Read the status of a specific Digital Output.

#### **Parameters**

type The IO\_TYPE enum that defines which device the target Digital

Output belongs to.

deviceSerialNum Device serial number, which always starts from 0 and is more

meaningful if the target device is an external IO module because there might be multiple external IO module devices within the system. The number is 0 if the target device is the Control box IO board or end module IO board because there are only one Control

box IO board and one end module IO board.

channelNum Channel number.

status Digital Output status, where bool true is HIGH and bool false is

LOW.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.8.6 SetCameraLight

## **Syntax**

```
uint SetCameraLight(
   bool status
)
```

#### **Description**

Switch the Eye-In-Hand camera light to the ON or OFF status.

#### **Parameters**

status bool true denotes turning the light ON,

bool false denotes turning the light OFF

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.8.7 WriteAnalogOutput



## **Syntax**

```
uint WriteAnalogOutput(
IO_TYPE type,
int deviceSerialNum,
int channelNum,
float value
)
```

#### **Description**

Set the value of a specific Analog Output.

#### **Parameters**

type The IO\_TYPE enum that defines which device the target Analog

Output belongs to.

deviceSerialNum Device serial number, which always starts from 0 and is more

meaningful if the target device is an external IO module because there might be multiple external IO module devices within the system. The number is 0 if the target device is the Control box IO board or end module IO board because there are only one Control

box IO board and one end module IO board.

channelNum Channel number.

value Analog Output value, ranged from -10V to 10V.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.8.8 WriteDigitOutput

## **Syntax**

```
uint WriteDigitOutput(
IO_TYPE type,
int deviceSerialNum,
int channelNum,
bool status
)
```

#### **Description**

Change the status of a specific Digital Output.

#### **Parameters**

type The IO\_TYPE enum that defines which device the target Digital

Output belongs to.

deviceSerialNum Device serial number, which always starts from 0 and is more

meaningful if the target device is an external IO module because there might be multiple external IO module devices within the system. The number is always 0 if the target device is the Control box



IO board or end module IO board because there are only one Con-

trol box IO board and one end module IO board.

channelNum Signal channel number.

status Digital Output status, where bool true is HIGH and bool false is

LOW.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.9 PointProvider

PointProvider provides functions for TMcraft Node to access or modify Point values within the current project.

#### 3.9.1 ChangePointBase

## **Syntax**

```
uint ChangePointBase(
string pointName,
string baseName
)
```

## **Description**

Changes the base of a specific Point.

#### **Parameters**

pointName Name of the target point.

baseName Name of the Base being switched to.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.9.2 ChangePointRobotConfigs

## **Syntax**

```
uint ChangePointRobotConfigs(
    string pointName,
    int[] robotConfigs
)
```

## **Description**

Sets the Robot Configs of the specific Point.

#### **Parameters**

pointName Name of the target point.

robotConfigs A 3x1 interger array representing the robot configurations of the

target point. Here is the definition: int[0]: 0 – Right Arm, 1 – Left Arm

int[1]: 2 – Above Elbow, 3 – Below Elbow



## int[2]: 4 – Up Wrist, 5 – Down Wrist

#### Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.9.3 ChangePointToolCoordinates

## **Syntax**

```
uint ChangePointToolCoordinates(
    string pointName,
    float[] toolCoordinates
)
```

## Description

Changes the Tool Coordinates of a specific Point.

#### **Parameters**

pointName Name of the target point.

endToolCoordinate A 6x1 float array {x, y,z, rx, ry, rz} which represents the new Tool

Coordinates.

#### Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.9.4 CreatePointByFlangeCoordinates

## **Syntax**

```
uint CreatePointByFlangeCoordinates(
    string pointName,
    float [] flangeCoordinate,
    int[] robotConfigs,
    string baseName,
    string toolName
)
```

## **Description**

Create a new Point defined by Flange Coordinates (and by Point Name, Robot Configs, Base Name, and Tool Name).

#### **Parameters**

pointName Name of the Point being created.

flangeCoordinate A 6x1 float array {x, y, z, rx, ry, rz}, represents the Flange Coordi-

nates defining the new point.

robotConfigs A 3x1 interger array denoting the robot configurations of the target

point. Here is the definition:

int[0]: 0 - Right Arm, 1 - Left Arm

int[1]: 2 - Above Elbow, 3 - Below Elbow

int[2]: 4 – Up Wrist, 5 – Down Wrist



baseName The base, which defines the flange, coordinates.

toolName The tool, which defines the point.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.9.5 CreatePointByJointAngles

## **Syntax**

```
uint CreatePointByJointAngles(
    string pointName,
    float[] JointAngles,
    string baseName,
    string toolName
)
```

## Description

Creates a new Point defined by 6 Joint Angles (and by Point Name, Base Name, and Tool Name).

#### **Parameters**

pointName Name of the point being created.

JointAngles A 6x1 float array {x, y, z, rx, ry, rz}, represents the Joint Angles de-

fining the new point.

baseName The base which defines the point. toolName The tool which defines the point.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.9.6 CreatePointByToolCoordinates

#### **Syntax**

```
uint CreatePointByToolCoordinates(
    string pointName,
    float[] endToolCoordinate,
    int[] robotConfigs,
    string baseName,
    string toolName
)
```

## Description

Creates a new Point defined by end-effector Coordinates (and by Point Name, Robot Configs, Base Name, and Tool Name).

#### **Parameters**

pointName Name of the point created.



endToolCoordinate A 6x1 float array {x, y, z, rx, ry, rz}, represents the end-effector Co-

ordinates defining the new point.

robotConfigs A 3x1 interger array denoting the robot configurations of the target

point. Here is the definition:

int[0]: 0 - Right Arm, 1 - Left Arm

int[1]: 2 – Above Elbow, 3 – Below Elbow

int[2]: 4 – Up Wrist, 5 – Down Wrist

baseName The base which defines the end-effector coordinates.

toolName The tool which defines the end-effector coordinates.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.9.7 GetPointList

## **Syntax**

```
uint GetPointList(
    ref List<PointInfo> points
)
```

## **Description**

Gets the Point list of the current Project.

#### **Parameters**

points A List of PointInfo objects that denotes the list of points of the cur-

rent Project.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.9.8 GetPointRobotConfigs

#### **Syntax**

```
uint GetPointRobotConfigs(
    string pointName,
    ref int[] robotConfigs
)
```

## Description

Gets the Robot Configs of a specific Point.

#### **Parameters**

pointName Name of the target point.

robotConfigs A 3x1 interger array representing the robot configurations of the

target point. Here is the definition: int[0]: 0 - Right Arm, 1 - Left Arm



int[1]: 2 - Above Elbow, 3 - Below Elbow

int[2]: 4 - Up Wrist, 5 - Down Wrist

Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.9.9 IsPointExist

## **Syntax**

```
bool IsPointExist(
    string pointName
)
```

## **Description**

Check if a specific Point exists or not.

**Parameters** 

pointName Name of the point being checked.

Return

bool True if exists, false if not.

# 3.10 RobotJogProvider

RobotJogProvider provides functions for TMcraft Node to jog the robot, either by commands or the Controller Interface.



#### IMPORTANT:

If the TMcraft node uses any RobotJogProvider functions for motion control, it is the responsibility of the developer to make sure single point of control within ISO 10218-1.

## 3.10.1 JogByBase

## **Syntax**

```
uint JogByBase(
    float speedPercentage,
    float [] targetCoordinates
)
```

## **Description**

Jogs the robot towards the target's Coordinates (relative to current base and tool) with a  $6\times1$  float array  $\{x, y, z, rx, ry, rz\}$ .

## **Parameters**



speedPercentage

Speed percentage is equivalent to the speed (in percentage) setting on the TMflow Controller, where the current jogging speed should match the max joint speed. The max joint speed of the robot model is multiplied by the speed percentage, and the product (TCP speed) of this multiplication should always be lower than Manual Control mode speed limit (250 mm/s). speedPercentage is expressed in decimals (e.g., 1.5 for 1.5%)..

targetMovementValue

A 6x1 float array {x, y, z, rx, ry, rz} of target movement value.

#### Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.10.2 JogByJoint

## **Syntax**

```
uint JogByJoint(
    float speedPercentage,
    float[] targetJointAngles
)
```

## **Description**

Jogs the robot towards the targets Joint Angles. Please note that like using TMflow Controller, users need to use the Robot Stick (e.g., by pressing the Enabling Switch and the PLAY button) to start the motion.

#### **Parameters**

speedPercentage

Speed percentage is equivalent to the speed (in percentage) setting on the TMflow Controller, where the current jogging speed should match the max joint speed. The max joint speed of the robot model is multiplied by the speed percentage, and the product (TCP speed) of this multiplication should always be lower than Manual Control mode speed limit (250 mm/s). speedPercentage is ex-

pressed in decimals (e.g., 1.5 for 1.5%).

targetJointAngles

A 6x1 float array {J1, J2, J3, J4, J5, J6} which represents the target

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Joint Angle.

## Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.10.3 JogRelativeByTool

## **Syntax**



```
uint JogLineByTool(
    float speedPercentage,
    float [] targetMovementValue
)
```

Jogs the robot along with Tool Axes. Remind that, like using TMflow Controller, users need to use the robot stick (e.g. Enabling Device + PLAY) to start the motion.

#### **Parameters**

speedPercentage Speed percentage is equivalent to the speed (in percentage) set-

ting on the TMflow Controller, where the current jogging speed should match the max joint speed. The max joint speed of the robot model is multiplied by the speed percentage, and the product (TCP speed) of this multiplication should always be lower than Manual Control mode speed limit (250 mm/s). speedPercentage is ex-

pressed in decimals (e.g., 1.5 for 1.5%).

targetMovementValue A 6x1 float array {x, y, z, rx, ry, rz} of target movement value.

#### Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.10.4 OpenControllerPanel

#### **Syntax**

uint OpenControllerPanel()

## **Description**

Opens TMflow Controller Interface.

#### **Parameters**

No parameters are not required.

#### Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

## 3.10.5 StopJog

## **Syntax**

uint StopJog()

## **Description**

Stops all Jog motion immediately. It is also recommended to call this function before calling Jog motion functions in order to clear the motion buffer

#### **Parameters**

No parameters are not required.

#### Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

# 3.11 RobotStatusProvider

RobotStatusProvider provides functions for TMcraft Node to access different robot status information.

#### 3.11.1 GetCurrentBaseName

# **Syntax**

```
uint GetCurrentBaseName(
   out string baseName
)
```

# **Description**

Gets the name of the current Base.

#### **Parameters**

baseName

Current Base name.

#### Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

# 3.11.2 GetCurrentPayload

# **Syntax**

```
uint GetCurrentPayload(
    out float payload
```

# **Description**

Gets the current payload value set to the robot (end-effector).

#### **Parameters**

payload

Payload value being assigned.

#### Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.11.3 GetCurrentPoseByCurrentBase

### **Syntax**

```
uint GetCurrentPoseByCurrentBase(
    out float[] currentPose
)
```

# **Description**

Gets robot current TCP position defined by the Current Base.

#### **Parameters**

currentPose A 6x1 float array {x, y, z, rx, ry, rz} that denotes the current robot

pose.



#### Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.11.4 GetCurrentPoseByJointAngle

### **Syntax**

```
uint GetCurrentPoseByJointAngle(
    out float[] jointAngles
)
```

# Description

Gets all robot current Joint Angles.

#### **Parameters**

jointAngles A 6×1 float array {j1, j2, j3, j4, j5, j6} that denotes the current robot

pose.

#### Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

# 3.11.5 GetCurrentPoseByRobotBase

#### **Syntax**

```
uint GetCurrentPoseByRobotBase(
   out float[] currentPose
)
```

# **Description**

Gets robot current TCP position defined by the Robot Base.

#### **Parameters**

currentPose

A 6x1 float array {x, y, z, rx, ry, rz} that denotes the current robot

pose.

# Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

# 3.11.6 GetCurrentRobotConfigs

#### **Syntax**

```
uint GetCurrentRobotConfigs(
    out int[] robotConfigs
)
```

### **Description**

Gets current Robot Config.

# **Parameters**

robotConfigs A 3x1 interger array denoting the robot configurations of the point;

here is the definition:

int[0]: 0 - Right Arm, 1 - Left Arm

int[1]: 2 – Above Elbow, 3 – Below Elbow



int[2]: 4 – Up Wrist, 5 – Down Wrist

Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.11.7 GetCurrentTcp

### **Syntax**

```
uint GetCurrentTcp(
    out string tcpName
)
```

# **Description**

Gets the name of current TCP.

#### **Parameters**

tcpName

Current TCP name.

Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.11.8 GetFlowVersion

# **Syntax**

```
uint GetFlowVersion (
    out string result
)
```

# **Description**

Gets the version of TMflow.

# **Parameters**

result

TMflow version.

Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

# 3.11.9 GetRobotModelType

### **Syntax**

```
uint GetRobotModelType (
out string result
```

# **Description**

Gets the model type of the robot.

#### **Parameters**

result

Model Type of the robot.

Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.



#### 3.11.10 SetCurrentBase

#### **Syntax**

```
uint SetCurrentBase(
    string baseName
)
```

Description

Assigns a specific Base as the current base.

**Parameters** 

baseName Name of the base being assigned.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.11.11 SetCurrentPayload

### **Syntax**

```
uint SetCurrentPayload(
    float payload
)
```

# **Description**

Sets a payload value to the robot (end-effector).

**Parameters** 

payload Payload value being assigned.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.11.12 SetCurrentTcp

# **Syntax**

```
uint SetCurrentTcp(
    string tcpName
)
```

**Description** 

Assigns a specific TCP as the current TCP.

**Parameters** 

tcpName Name of the TCP being assigned.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

# 3.12 ScriptWriteProvider

ScriptWriteProvider offers the functionality for managing the scripts of the TMcraft Node within the flow project. Note that the ScriptWriteProvider can only be used within the member function TMcraftNodeEntry.InscribeScript (), i.e., TMcraft Node can only read or write the script when the



Node is about to close.

### 3.12.1 AppendLine

# **Syntax**

```
uint AppendLine(
string scriptLine
```

## **Description**

Activates the script buffer of the TMcraft Node and appends a script to it with auto-indentation (*i.e.*, a newline followed by a scriptLine). Note that the script buffer will then overwrite the original script once function TMcraftNodeEntry.InscribeScript() is finished.

#### **Parameters**

scriptLine Script being added with line wrapping.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.12.2 AppendScript

#### **Syntax**

```
uint AppendScript(
    string script
)
```

# **Description**

Activates the script buffer of the TMcraft Node and appends a script to it without auto-indentation (i.e.,no newline followed by a scriptLine). Note that the script buffer will then overwrite the original script once function TMcraftNodeEntry.InscribeScript() is finished.

#### **Parameters**

script Script being added without auto-indentation.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.12.3 GetScript

### **Syntax**

string GetScript()

# Description

Gets the script of the TMcraft Node with the flow project.

#### **Parameters**

No parameters are required.

#### Return

string Script from the ScriptWriteProvider object.



# 3.13 SystemProvider

SystemProvider provides functions for TMcraft Node to interact with TMflow System Settings.

### 3.13.1 GetCurrentLanguageCulture

# **Syntax**

```
uint GetCurrentLanguageCulture(
   out string language
)
```

# **Description**

Gets the current language setting of the system.

#### **Parameters**

language Current System language, e.g., en-US, zh-TW, zh-CN, ja-JP, de-

DE. ko-KR

#### Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

# 3.13.2 GetTMflowType

# **Syntax**

```
uint GetTMflowType(
    out TMflowType type
)
```

# **Description**

Gets the current TMflow type of the system.

#### **Parameters**

type Represent the TMflow type (e.g. Robot, AOIEdge, etc.) of the cur-

rent system. For more detail, check the description of enum

TMflowType.

# Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

# 3.14 TCPProvider

TCPProvider provides functions for TMcraft to access or modify TCPs with the robot.

### 3.14.1 ChangeTcpInertia

### **Syntax**

```
Uint ChangeTcpInertia(
    string tcpName,
    float[] inertiaValue
)
```



### **Description**

Modifies the inertia value of a specific TCP.

#### **Parameters**

tcpName Name of the target TCP.

inertiaValue A 3x1 float array {Ixx, Iyy, Izz} of inertia value being assigned.

Return

Uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.14.2 ChangeTcpMass

# **Syntax**

```
Uint ChangeTcpMass(
    string tcpName,
   float mass
)
```

### **Description**

Modifies the mass value (kg) of a specific TCP.

#### **Parameters**

Name of the target TCP. tcpName

mass Mass value (kg) to be assigned.

Return

Uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.14.3 ChangeTcpMassCenter

# **Syntax**

```
Uint ChangeTcpMassCenter(
   string tcpName,
   float[] massCenter
)
```

### **Description**

Modifies the Mass Center value of a specific TCP.

#### **Parameters**

tcpName Name of the target TCP.

massCenter A 6x1 float array {x, y, z, rx, ry, rz} that denotes the location of the

mass center of the TCP.

Return

**Uint** The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

# 3.14.4 ChangeTcpPose

# **Syntax**

Uint ChangeTcpPose(



```
string tcpName,
    float[] toolCenterPoint
)
```

# Description

Modifies the tool center point of a specific TCP by a 6x1 float array {x, y, z, rx, ry, rz} referring to Flange Base.

**Paramters** 

tcpName Name of the target TCP being modified.

toolCenterPoint A 6x1 float array[6] {x, y, z, rx, ry, rz} of new Pose value referring to

Flange Base.

Return

Uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

# 3.14.5 CreateNewTcp

# **Syntax**

```
Uint CreateNewTcp(
   TCPInfo tcpData
```

**Description** 

Create a new TCP by using a TCPInfo Type as input.

**Parameters** 

tcpData TCPInfo type assigned for the new TCP.

Return

Uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.14.6 DeleteTcp

#### **Syntax**

```
Uint DeleteTcp(
    string tcpName
)
```

**Description** 

Delete a specific TCP file.

**Parameters** 

Name of the TCP being deleted. tcpName

Return

Uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

# 3.14.7 GetProjectVisionTcpList

# **Syntax**

Uint GetProjectVisionTcpList(



```
out List<string> visionTcpList
```

)

### **Description**

Gets the list of Vision TCP Names from the current Project.

**Paramters** 

visionTcpList A List of vision TCP names.

Return

Uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.14.8 GetTcpInertia

# **Syntax**

```
Uint GetTcpInertia(
    string tcpName,
    out float[] inertiaValue
)
```

# **Description**

Gets the inertia value of a specific TCP.

**Parameters** 

tcpName Name of the target TCP.

inertiaValue A 3x1 float array {Ixx, Iyy, Izz} that denotes the inertia value of the

target TCP.

Return

Uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

# 3.14.9 GetTcpList

### **Syntax**

```
Uint GetTcpList(
    out List<TCPInfo> tcpList
)
```

#### **Description**

Gets the list of all TCPs (with data) within the robot.

**Parameters** 

tcpList A List of TCPInfo type that denotes all TCPs within the robot.

Return

Uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.14.10 GetTcpMass



```
Syntax
```

Uint GetTcpMass( string tcpName, out float mass

Description

Gets the value of mass (kg) from a specific TCP.

**Parameters** 

tcpName Name of the target TCP.

mass Mass value (kg) of the target TCP.

Return

Uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

# 3.14.11 GetTcpMassCenter

# **Syntax**

```
Uint GetTcpMassCenter(
    string tcpName,
    out float[] massCenter
)
```

### **Description**

Gets the Mass Center value of a specific TCP.

**Parameters** 

tcpName Name of the target TCP.

massCenter A 6x1 float array {x, y, z, rx, ry, rz} that denotes the location of the

mass center of the TCP.

Return

Uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

# 3.14.12 IsTcpExist

### **Syntax**

```
bool IsTcpExist(
     string tcpName
)
```

**Description** 

Checks if a specific top exists or not.

**Parameters** 

tcpName Name of the tcp being checked.

Return

bool True if exists, false if not.



### 3.15 TextFileProvider

TextFileProvider provides functions for TMcraft plugin to manipulate Textfiles within TMflow.

#### 3.15.1 DeleteTextFile

### **Syntax**

```
uint DeleteTextFile (
string fileName
)
```

**Description** 

Deletes a specific Textfile.

**Parameters** 

fileName Name of the file being deleted.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.15.2 ExportTextFile

# **Syntax**

```
uint ExportTextFile (
     string fileName
)
```

# **Description**

Exports a specific Textfile to the USB.

**Parameters** 

fileName Name of the file being exported.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

# 3.15.3 GetTextFileList

#### **Syntax**

```
uint GetTextFileList (
    out string list
)
```

**Description** 

Gets the list of Textfile names within the current system.

**Parameters** 

list A list of Textfile names within the current system

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.



### 3.15.4 ImportTextFile

# **Syntax**

```
uint ImportTextFile (
string robotName,
string fileName
)
```

# **Description**

Import a Textfile to the robot.

**Parameters** 

robotName Name of the folder where the system can find the item to be im-

ported.

fileName Name of the file being imported.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.15.5 NewTextFile

# **Syntax**

```
uint NewTextFile (
string filename,
string fileContent
)
```

# **Description**

Create a new Textfile.

**Parameters** 

fileName Name of the file being created.

fileContent Content of the Textfile to be assigned.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.15.6 ReadTextFile

# **Syntax**

```
uint ReadTextFile (
string filename,
out string fileContent
)
```

### **Description**

Read the content of a specific Textfile.

#### **Parameters**

fileName Name of the file being read.

fileContent Content of the Textfile to be read.



#### Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.15.7 WriteTextFile

### **Syntax**

```
uint WriteTextFile (
string filename,
string fileContent
)
```

# **Description**

Write content to a specific Textfile.

#### **Parameters**

fileName Name of the file being written.

fileContent Content of the Textfile to be written.

### Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

# 3.16 VariableProvider

VariableProvider provides functions for TMcraft to access or modify the variables of the robot.

### 3.16.1 ChangeGlobalVariableValue

### **Syntax**

```
uint ChangeGlobalVariableValue(
List<string[]> value
)
```

# **Description**

Sets the value of a specific Global Variables.

#### **Parameters**

value

A list of global variables being modified; each element within this list should be a 2x1 string array {varName, varValue}, where varName is the name of the target variable and varValue is the value

being assigned.

### Return

uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

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### 3.16.2 ChangeProjectVariableValue

### **Syntax**

```
uint ChangeProjectVariableValue(
    List<string[]> value
)
```



### Description

Sets the initial value of a specific project variable.

#### **Parameters**

value A list of Project Variables being modified; each element within this

list should be a 2×1 string array {varName, varValue}, where var-Name is the name of the target variable while varValue is the value

being assigned.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.16.3 CreateGlobalVariable

# **Syntax**

```
uint CreateGlobalVariable(
    string name,
    VariableType type,
    string value
)
```

### **Description**

Creates a new global variable by the input parameters.

#### **Parameters**

name Name of the variable being created.

type Type of variable being created.

value Value being assigned to the new variable.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.16.4 CreateProjectVariable

### **Syntax**

```
uint CreateProjectVariable(
    string name,
    VariableType type,
    string value
)
```

### Description

Creates a new Project Variable to the current project by the input parameters.

#### **Parameters**

name Name of the variable being created.

type Type of variable being created.

value Value being assigned to the new variable.

#### Return



uint

The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.16.5 DeleteGlobalVariable

# **Syntax**

```
uint DeleteGlobalVariable(
string name
```

## **Description**

Deletes a specific global variable from the robot.

**Parameters** 

name Name of the global variable being deleted.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.16.6 DeleteProjectVariable

# **Syntax**

```
uint DeleteProjectVariable(
    string name
)
```

## **Description**

Deletes a specific Project Variable from the current tmflow project.

**Parameters** 

name Name of the Project Variable being deleted.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.16.7 GetGlobalVariableList

# **Syntax**

```
uint GetGlobalVariableList(
    ref List<VariableInfo>variables
)
```

#### **Description**

Gets all Global Variables (VariableInfo Type) from the robot and overwrites the input List.

**Parameters** 

variables A List of Variable Info type that contains all global variables within

the robot.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.16.8 GetProjectVariableList



```
Syntax
```

```
uint GetProjectVariableList(
    ref List<VariableInfo> variables
)
```

### **Description**

Gets all Project Variables (VariableInfo Type) from the current TMflow Project and overwrites the input List.

### **Parameters**

variables A List of VariableInfo type that contains all Project Variables within

the current Project.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.16.9 IsGlobalVariableExist

### **Syntax**

```
bool IsGlobalVariableExist(
    string varName
)
```

# **Description**

Check if a specific Global Variable exists or not.

#### **Parameters**

varName Name of the Global Variable being checked.

Return

bool True if exists, false if not.

### 3.16.10 IsProjectVariableExist

#### **Syntax**

```
bool IsProjectVariableExist(
    string varName
)
```

### **Description**

Check if a specific Project Variable exists or not.

### **Parameters**

varName Name of the Project Variable being checked.

Return

bool True if exists, false if not.

# 3.17 VisionProvider

VisionProvider provides functions for TMcraft node to access or interact with the vision jobs of the current Project.



### 3.17.1 CreateVisionJob

```
Syntax
```

```
uint CreateVisionJob(
    string visionJobName
)
```

**Description** 

Creates a new vision job and opens it with the vision designer interface.

**Parameters** 

visionJobName Name of the target vision job being created.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.17.2 DeleteVisionJob

# **Syntax**

```
uint DeleteVisionJob(
    string visionJobName
)
```

**Description** 

Deletes a specific vision job.

**Parameters** 

visionJobName Name of the target vision job being deleted.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.17.3 GetVisionJobInitialBase

### **Syntax**

```
uint GetVisionJobInitialBase(
string visionJobName,
out string baseName
)
```

**Description** 

Gets the name of the initial Base of a specific vision Job.

**Parameters** 

visionJobName Name of the target vision job.

baseName Name of the initial base of the target vision Job.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

# 3.17.4 GetVisionJobInitialPoint



```
Syntax
```

```
uint GetVisionJobInitialPoint(
    string visionJobName,
    out float[] initialPoint
)
```

**Description** 

Gets the initial Point coordinates of a specific Vision Job.

**Parameters** 

visionJobName Name of the target vision job.

initialPoint A 6x1 float array {x, y, z, rx, ry, rz} that denotes the initial point co-

ordinates of the target Vision Job.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

### 3.17.5 GetVisionJobList

# **Syntax**

```
uint GetVisionJobList(
    out List<string> visionJobNames
)
```

## **Description**

Gets the list of Vision Job from the current project.

**Parameters** 

visionJobNames List of vision jobs.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.

#### 3.17.6 OpenVisionJob

### **Syntax**

```
uint OpenVisionJob(
    string visionJobName
)
```

#### **Description**

Opens a specific vision job with the vision designer interface.

**Parameters** 

visionJobName Name of the target vision job being opened.

Return

uint The error code that represents the result of the function calling.



# 4. Enumeration types

### 4.1 FreeBotMode

```
public enum FreeBotMode
{
     All_Joints,
     Custom,
     RXYZ,
     SCARA_Like,
     XYZ
}
```

#### **Description**

Enum FreeBotMode, which is used as a member of the class FreeBotInfo and represents the FreeBot mode setting.

#### **Items**

FreeBotMode.All\_Joints

FreeBotMode.Custom

FreeBotMode.RXYZ

FreeBotMode.SCARA\_Like

FreeBotMode.XYZ

Represents free all joints mode.

Represents custom FreeBot mode.

Represents free RXYZ (Rx, Ry, Rz) mode.

Represents SCARA-like FreeBot mode.

Represents free XYZ mode.

# **4.2 IO\_TYPE**

```
public enum IO_TYPE
{
    UNKNOWN,
    CONTROL_BOX,
    END_MODULE,
    EXT_MODULE
}
```

#### **Description**

Enum IO\_TYPE, paired with IOProvider functions such as WriteDigitOutput(), defines the IO device within TM robot.

#### Items

```
IO_TYPE. UNKNOWN

Represents an unknown device detected. When using IOProvider.GetAllIOData(), if there is any unknown device detected, IO_TYPE.UNKNOWN will be found within the DeviceIOInfo data

IO_TYPE.CONTROL_BOX
IO_TYPE. END_MODULE
IO_TYPE. EXT_MODULE
External I/O Device(s) connected to the robot.
```



### 4.3 MoveMode

```
public enum MoveMode
{
     Accurate,
     Fast,
     Nromal
}
```

# **Description**

Enum MoveMode, which is used as one of the parameter of the class FreeBotInfo. Move Mode is for users to adjust the initial damping of joints with modes of Accurate, Normal, and Fast. Damping increases the hand guide weight allowing faster stoppage while releasing the FREE button. For easier dragging, joint damping decreases proportionally as TCP speed increases during the hand guide. Once damping drops to zero, it stays at zero until the FREE button is released

#### **Items**

MoveMode.Accurate The highest joint damping. For the high initial force require-

ment with fast stoppage while releasing the FREE button.

MoveMode.Fast The zero joint damping. For the low initial force requirement

for dragging.

MoveMode.Normal The low joint damping. For the medium initial force require-

ment with reasonable accuracy while stopping.

# 4.4 RobotEventType

```
public enum RobotEventType
{
    EndButtonFreeBotChanged,
    EndButtonGripperChanged,
    EndButtonPointChanged,
    EndButtonVisionChanged
}
```

#### **Description**

Enum RobotEventType, paired with RobotStatusProvider's event EndButtonClickEvent, defines the click event occurred on the buttons of the End Module.

#### Items

EndButtonFreeBotChanged Represents the click event of the Free Button on the End

Module. True denotes FreeBot is triggered while False denotes that the Free Button is either released or over-pressed.

EndButtonGripperChanged Represents the click event of the Gripper Button on the End

Module. True denotes the button is pressed while False denotes that pressing is released.

EndButtonPointChanged Represents the click event of the Point Button on the End



Module. True denotes the button is pressed while False de-

notes that pressing is released.

EndButtonVisionChanged

Represents the click event of the Vision Button on the End Module. True denotes the button is pressed while False denotes that pressing is released.

# 4.5 TMcraftErr

```
public enum TMcraftErr
{
    ConnectionFail,
    DevResponseError,
    ExceptionError
    InvalidParameter,
    NodeCloseFail,
    OK
}
```

### **Description**

Enum TMcraftErr represents the possible error that may occurred not from TMflow, but TMcraft

API itself. TMcraftErr is used as the object type returned by the functions TMcraft-

NodeAPI.GetErrMsg and TMcraftNodeAPI.InitialTMcraftNode.

#### Items

TMcraftErr.ConnectionFail TMcraft API failed to connect with TMflow.

TMcraftErr.DevResponseError Unexpected error on TMcraft API. Please contact Techman

Inc. for further analysis.

TMcraftErr.ExceptionError Exception happended on TMCraft API. Please contact Tech-

man Inc. for further analysis.

TMcraftErr.InvalidParameter

TMcraft API detects invalid parameters when calling provider functions. For example, empty string or incorrect array size. Failure happened when closing TMcraft Node on TMflow.

TMcraftErr.NodeCloseFail

TMcraftErr.OK

No error.

# 4.6 TMflowType

```
public enum TMflowType
{
     AOIEdge,
     Client,
     OLP,
     Robot,
     Unknown
}
```

### **Description**

Enum TMflowType, which is the Outputs of SystemProvider.GetTMflowType, represents the TMflow type of the current system, or more specifically, of where the GetTMflowType function is



#### called.

#### Items

TMflowType.AOIEdge TMflowType.Client TMflowType.OLP TMflowType.Robot TMflowType.Unknown Represents that the current system is AOI Edge.
Represents that the current system is client TMflow.
Represents that the current system is TMstudio Pro.
Represents that the current system is on the robot.
Represents that the current system is not recognizable as one of the TMflow type.

# 4.7 VariableType

```
public enum VariableType
{
    Integer,
    Float,
    Double,
    String,
    Byte,
    Boolean,
    IntegrArray,
    FloatArray,
    DoubleArray,
    StringArray,
    ByteArray,
    BooleanArray,
    Null
}
```

#### **Description**

Enum VariableType, paired with VariableProvider function CreateGlobalVariable(), defines variable types on TMflow.

# 4.8 NodeOutputTypeTemplate

```
public enum NodeOutputTypeTemplate
{
     Single,
     Binary,
     Multi
}
```

# **Description**

Enum NodeOutputTypeTemplate belongs to the TMcraftNodeType, which is used to assign ITMcraftNodeOutputTypeEntry member, DefineNodeOutputType, and to define the output type of the TMcraft Node.

#### **Items**



NodeOutputTypeTemplate.Single

NodeOutputTypeTemplate.Binary

NodeOutputTypeTemplate.Multi

Represents single output type. That means the TMcraft Node would have one output only.

Represents binary outputs type. That means the TMcraft Node would have 2 outputs.

Represents multiple outputs type. That means the TMcraft Node would have one or more outputs, which looks like a Gateway node.

# 4.9 BinaryNodeTemplate

```
public enum BinaryNodeTemplate
{
    OK_NG,
    Pass_Fail,
    Yes_No
}
```

### **Description**

Enum BinaryNodeTemplate belongs to the TMcraftNodeType, which is used to assign ITMcraft-NodeOutputTypeEntry member, DefineBinaryNodeTemplate, and to define the template of the TMcraft Node if its outpyt is binary.

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#### **Items**

BinaryNodeTemplate.OK\_NG FinaryNodeTemplate.Pass\_Fail FinaryNodeTemplate.Yes No FinaryNodeTempla

Represents the "OK or NG" template. Represents the "Pass or Fail" template. Represents the "Yes or No" template.



### 5. Additional class

#### 5.1 BaseInfo

```
public class BaseInfo
{
    public string baseData;
    public string baseName;
    public string number;
    public string baseType;
}
```

### **Description**

BaseInfo, which describes the information of a base, is the element typeof the output List of BaseProvider.GetBaseList().

#### **Members**

baseData A 6×1 float array, {x, y, z, rx, ry, rz} that defines the base.

baseName Name of the base.

number The serial number of the base within its base type; the robot

base is always 0, while the other base types always start from

1.

baseType Type of the base, such as R (Robot Base), C (Custom Base)

and V (Vision Base).

### 5.2 DevicelOInfo

```
public class DeviceIOInfo
{
    public IO_TYPE type;
    public int deviceSerialNum;
    public List<DigitIOInfo> DICollection;
    public List<DigitIOInfo> DOCollection;
    public List<float> AOCollection;
    public List<float> AICollection;
}
```

# **Description**

The Device Olnfo describes all sorts of information related to a specific IO Device of the robot.

#### **Members**

Type IO device that this information describes.

deviceSerialNum Device serial number, which always starts from 0 and is more

meaningful if the target device is an external IO module because there might be multiple external IO module devices within the system. The number is 0 if the target device is the Control box IO board or end module IO board because there is always one Control box IO board and one end module IO

board.



DICollection A List of DigitlOInfo Type, which represents all Digital Inputs

within the IO Device and should be empty if there are no Digital Inputs. Please note that the index of the list represents the

channel number.

DOCollection A List of DigitlOInfo Type that represents all Digital Outputs

within the IO Device and should be empty if there are no Digital Ouputs. Please note that the index of the list represents

the channel number.

AOCollection A List of float Type that represents all Analog Outputs within

the IO Device and should be empty if there are no Analog Ouputs. Please note that the index of the list represents the

channel number.

AlCollection A List of float Typethat represents all Analog Inputs within the

IO Device and should be empty if there are no Analog Inputs. Please note that the index of the list represents the channel

number.

# 5.3 DigitlOInfo

```
public class DigitlOInfo
{
    public bool value;
    public bool isUserDefined;
}
```

## **Description**

DigitIOInfo describes the information of a Digital I/O channel which is used as the List data type of DeviceIOinfo.DICollection and DeviceIOInfo.DOCollection.

#### **Members**

value True denotes HIGH while false denotes LOW.

isUserDefined True denotes this Digital Channel is set as a User-Defined IO

(that triggers a signal to a button of the Robot Stick, reads the signal from a stick button, or detects if an error occurs in the

system).

# 5.4 ErrorStatus

```
public class ErrorStatus
{
    public uint Error_Code;
    public uint[] Error_Codes;
    public string Error_Time;
    public uint Last_Error_Code;
    public uint[] Last_Error_Codes;
    public uint Last_Error_Time;
}
```

### **Description**



ErrorStatus denotes the structure of the data return by RobotStatusProvider.ErrorEvent. Note that the ErrorEvent does not return this object type directly, but a json string instead that can be conveted to the ErrorStatus type.

#### **Members**

Error\_Code The major error code of the current error event, which should

be the first item of Error\_Codes, i.e. Error\_Codes[0]. Note that

Error Code would be cleared after reset.

Error\_Codes All error codes related to the current error event. Note that Er-

ror\_Codes would be cleared after reset.

Error\_Time Time stamp of Error\_Code.

Last\_Error\_Code The major error code of the last error event recorded, which

should be the first item of Last\_Error\_Codes, i.e. Last\_Error\_Codes[0]. Note that Last\_Error\_Code would not be

cleared after reset, but would be refreshed when another error

event happens.

Last\_Error\_Codes All error codes related to the last error event. Note that

Last Error Codes would not be cleared after reset, but would

be refreshed when another error event happens.

Last Error Time Time stamp of Last Error Code.

### 5.5 FreeBotInfo

```
public class FreeBotInfo
{
    public FreeBotMode Mode;
    public bool isBaseMode;
    public bool isFreeX;
    public bool isFreeY;
    public bool isFreeZ;
    public bool isFreeRX;
    public bool isFreeRX;
    public bool isFreeRY;
    public bool isFreeRZ;
}
```

#### **Description**

FreeBotInfo describes the information of FreeRobot Configuration PointInfo and applies to 2 of the RobotStatusProvider functions, GetFreeBot() and SetFreeBot. Note that if the Mode is not Custom, the rest of the members is meaningless.

#### Members

Mode	Represents the current	Freebot mode.
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isBaseMode True means FreeBot Custom settings being defined by the current base;

false means FreeBot Custom settings being defined by the current tool

base.

isFreeX Represents if the current FreeBot Custom Setting has freed X axis or not. isFreeZ Represents if the current FreeBot Custom Setting has freed Y axis or not. Represents if the current FreeBot Custom Setting has freed Z axis or not.

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isFreeRX	Represents if the current FreeBot Custom Setting has freed Rx axis or not.
isFreeRY	Represents if the current FreeBot Custom Setting has freed Ry axis or not.
isFreeRZ	Represents if the current FreeBot Custom Setting has freed Rz axis or not.

## 5.6 PointInfo

```
public class PointInfo
{
    public string baseName;
    public string flangeCoordinate;
    public string jointAngles;
    public string pointName;
    public string toolName;
    public string endToolCoordinate;
    public string pointType;
}
```

### **Description**

PointInfo, which describes the information of a Point (robot pose) within the current Project, is the element type of the output List of PointProvider.GetBaseList(). Note that a robot pose can be defined by three kinds of coordinates: flange coordinates, joint angles and tool coordinates.

#### **Members**

baseName The base that defines this point (robot pose).

flangeCoordinate Flange Coordinates that defines this point (robot pose).

jointAngles Joint Angles that defines this point (robot pose).

pointName Name of the point.

robotModel Robot Model of the robot, from which this point is built. Tool that defines the tool coordinates of this point.

endToolCoordinate Tool coordinates of this robot pose.

pointType There are two possible point types, R (Regular) and D (Dy-

namic). The Regular point generates with the Point node, and

the Dynamic point, with the Touch Stop node.

### 5.7 TCPInfo

```
public class TCPInfo
{
    public float[] data;
    public string name;
}
```

#### **Description**

TCPInfo, which describes the basic information of a TCP, is the element type of the output List of TCPProvider.GetTcpList.().

#### **Members**



data

Tool Center Point, which defines a float[6] {x, y, z, Rx, Ry, Rz}

relative to the Flange base.

name Name of the TCP.

# 5.8 VariableInfo

```
public class VariableInfo
{
    public string varName;
    public VariableType varType;
    public string value;
    public bool isGlobal;
}
```

# **Description**

VariableInfo, paired with VariableProvider functions such as GetGlobalVariableList(), describes all the information of a variable.

#### **Members**

varName Name of the variable.
varType Data type of the variable.
value Value of the variable.

isGlobal True if it is a global variable; false if it is a Project Variable.

