

# TESSERA PROCESSING IP CONTROL API

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# I. INTRODUCTION

As of version 3.1.0 Tessera processors support remote query and control/triggering functionality over a variety of IP-based protocols via a filesystem-like, RESTful API. This document describes how to access the information available and the format in which it is presented.

The API currently focuses on functionality needed for runtime control of the processor, it does not seek to offer all functions of the processor UI. More functionality will be added in future releases.

In order to use IP control it must be enabled in the Live Control tile in the processor user interface. The processor on the client must be on the same network and have a compatible IP address configuration.

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# SUPPORTED PROTOCOLS

The following protocols are supported by the Tessera API:

- HTTP standard requests via an HTTP client (e.g. web browser)
- Commandline TCP socket Telnet-style text-based commands sent over TCP

Examples of use of each protocol are detailed after the generic control section. All paths, tags and commands are case-insensitive for all protocols.

# 2. API

# **DATA TYPES**

The following endpoint data types are supported:

- string: text string of up to 128 UTF-8 encoded characters
- bool: boolean state, true or false
- integer: signed 16-bit integer, range -32768 to 32767
- float: floating point value
- enum: string enumeration representing one of a discrete set of possible values

# **COMMANDS**

- get: get one or more endpoints' value(s)
- set: set a endpoint or group of endpoints' value(s)
- list: show a summary of available endpoints starting from any position in the API tree
- help: show help text for an endpoint or directory detailing what the endpoint represents, d format and range

Examples of each command are given in the protocol section.

# **ACCESS SPECIFIERS**

The following access specifiers are supported:

- R/W: the endpoint is both readable and writable
- R/O: the endpoint is read-only and may not be written to
- W/O: the endpoint is write-only and may not be read

# **ERRORS**

The following errors may be returned as the result of a command operation:

- Path not found: the requested endpoint path was not recognised
- Bad operation: operation was not valid, e.g. trying to set a read-only endpoint
- Not supported: not supported by the hardware platform or not yet implemented
- Missing input parameter: required input parameters are missing or malformed
- Bad input parameter type: one of the input parameters had an incorrect type or format
- Bad input parameter value: one of the input parameters had an invalid/out of range value
- · Access denied: insufficient privilege level for the requested operation
- No project loaded: the target processor does not have a project loaded
- Object not found: the requested object (e.g. panel) was not found
- Operation failed: general runtime failure

# DYNAMIC PATHS

Some paths in the API are dynamic in that they depend on the project configuration. For example, accessing groups properties depends on what groups have been created in the project. The dynamic sections in the tree are marked with brackets, for example {number}.

# 3. FULL ENDPOINT REFERENCE

# **API TREE STRUCTURE**

```
api/
  groups/
    items/
       {number}/
         brightness
         colour-temperature
         dark-magic/
            enabled
         gains/
            blue
            green
            intensity
            red
         gamma
         global-colour-override
         global-gains-override
         name
         puretone/
            enabled
  input/
    active/
       refresh-rate
       resolution/
         height
         width
       source/
         port-number
         port-type
  output/
    global-colour/
       brightness
       colour-temperature
       dark-magic/
         enabled
       gains/
         blue
         green
         intensity
         red
       gamma
       puretone/
         enabled
    network/
       cable-redundancy/
         loops/
            {loop-number}/
              state
       failover/
         settings/
            enabled
            modes/
              on-button-press
              on-partner-fail
              on-partner-video-fail
              prefer-primary
            role
         state/
            is-active
            is-partner-present
            partner-absence-duration
            partner-name
            partner-serial
            partner-video-absence-duration
  override/
    blackout/
```

enabled fade-time freeze/ enabled test-pattern/ enabled format type panels/ items/ {serial}/ type statistics/ associated-count error-count online-count presets/ active/ name number items/ {number}/ name status processing/ colour-correct/ enabled colour-replace/ enabled curves/ enabled osca/ module-correction-enabled seam-correction-enabled scaler/ enabled system/ current-date-time processor-type software-version uptime

# **ENDPOINTS DESCRIPTION**

# **GROUPS**

#### **GROUP BRIGHTNESS**

Path: groups/items/{number}/brightness

Description: Gets or sets the group output brightness/luminance

Data type: float Range: 0 - 10000

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

### **GROUP COLOUR TEMPERATURE**

Path: groups/items/{number}/colour-temperature
Description: Gets or sets the group colour temperature

Data type: float Range: 2000 - 11000 Access Specifier: ReadWrite

# GROUP DARK MAGIC ENABLED

Path: groups/items/{number}/dark-magic/enabled
Description: Enables or disables group Dark Magic

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### **GROUP BLUE GAIN**

Path: groups/items/{number}/gains/blue

Description: Gets or sets the value of the group blue gain

Data type: float Range: 0 - 100

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### **GROUP GREEN GAIN**

Path: groups/items/{number}/gains/green

Description: Gets or sets the value of the group green gain

Data type: float Range: 0 - 100

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### **GROUP INTENSITY GAIN**

Path: groups/items/{number}/gains/intensity

Description: Gets or sets the value of the group intensity gain

Data type: float Range: 0 - 100

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### **GROUP RED GAIN**

Path: groups/items/{number}/gains/red

Description: Gets or sets the value of the group red gain

Data type: float Range: 0 - 100

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### **GROUP OUTPUT GAMMA**

Path: groups/items/{number}/gamma

Description: Gets or sets the group gamma value

Data type: float Range: 0.2 - 4.0

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

# **GROUP GLOBAL COLOUR OVERRIDE**

Path: groups/items/{number}/global-colour-override

Description: Enables or disables group global colour override

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

## **GROUP GLOBAL GAINS OVERRIDE**

Path: groups/items/{number}/global-gains-override

Description: Enables or disables group global gains override

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

### **GROUP NAME**

Path: groups/items/{number}/name
Description: Gets or sets the group name

Data type: string

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

# GROUP PURE TONE ENABLED

Path: groups/items/{number}/puretone/enabled Description: Enables or disables group PureTone

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

## **INPUT**

#### **INPUT REFRESH RATE**

Path: input/active/refresh-rate

Description: Active video input refresh rate

Data type: float Range: 23.5 - 241.0 Access Specifier: ReadOnly

#### INPUT RESOLUTION HEIGHT

Path: input/active/resolution/height Description: Active video input height

Data type: int Range: 32 - 4096

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

### INPUT RESOLUTION WIDTH

Path: input/active/resolution/width Description: Active video input width

Data type: int Range: 32 - 4096

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

#### INPUT PORT NUMBER

# Path: input/active/source/port-number

Description: Which physical port instance is currently enabled for video input. For example, SDI A = port 1, SDI B = port 2. The available number of port instances for any port type will vary based on the processor hardware variant.

Data type: int Range: 1 - 2

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

# INPUT PORT TYPE

#### Path: input/active/source/port-type

Description: Which physical port instance is currently enabled for video input. The available types will vary based on

the processor hardware variant.

Data type: enum

Supported values: dvi, hdmi, sdi Access Specifier: ReadWrite

# OUTPUT

# **OUTPUT BRIGHTNESS**

#### Path: output/global-colour/brightness

Description: Write -1 to reset output brightness to calculated common maximum for available fixtures.

Data type: float Range: -1 - 10000

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

# **OUTPUT COLOUR TEMPERATURE**

#### Path: output/global-colour/colour-temperature

Description: Gets or sets the output colour temperature

Data type: float Range: 2000 - 11000 Access Specifier: ReadWrite

## DARK MAGIC ENABLED

Path: output/global-colour/dark-magic/enabled

Description: Enables or disables the processor's Dark Magic feature

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### **BLUE GAIN**

Path: output/global-colour/gains/blue

Description: Gets or sets the value of the output blue gain

Data type: float Range: 0 - 100

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### **GREEN GAIN**

Path: output/global-colour/gains/green

Description: Gets or sets the value of the output green gain

Data type: float Range: 0 - 100

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### **INTENSITY GAIN**

Path: output/global-colour/gains/intensity

Description: Gets or sets the value of the output intensity gain

Data type: float Range: 0 - 100

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### **RED GAIN**

Path: output/global-colour/gains/red

Description: Gets or sets the value of the output red gain

Data type: float Range: 0 - 100

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### **OUTPUT GAMMA**

Path: output/global-colour/gamma

Description: Gets or sets the value of the output gamma

Data type: float Range: 0.2 - 4.0

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

## PURE TONE ENABLED

Path: output/global-colour/puretone/enabled Description: Enables or disables PureTone

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

# REDUNDANTCABLELOOPSTATE

Path: output/network/cable-redundancy/loops/{loop-number}/state

Description: Current state of cable loop redundancy on the processor

Data type: enum

Supported values: loop-found, no-loop-found, incorrect-loop-found, one-to-many-error

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

#### **FAILOVER ENABLED**

Path: output/network/failover/settings/enabled

Description: Enables or disables failover mode on the processor

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

### **BUTTON PRESS FAILOVER MODE ENABLED**

Path: output/network/failover/settings/modes/on-button-press

Description: Enables or disables failover to backup processor when the processor's Blackout/Freeze buttons are

pushed Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### PARTNER FAILOVER MODE ENABLED

Path: output/network/failover/settings/modes/on-partner-fail

Description: Enables or disables partner processor failover when processor failure is detected (e.g. the processor

loses power) Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

### PARTNER VIDEO FAILOVER MODE ENABLED

Path: output/network/failover/settings/modes/on-partner-video-fail

Description: Enables or disables partner processor failover on video signal loss

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### PREFER PRIMARY FAILOVER MODE ENABLED

Path: output/network/failover/settings/modes/prefer-primary

Description: If prefer primary processor failover mode is activated, when primary processor is functioning correctly, it

will be automatically always be the active processor

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### **FAILOVER ROLE**

Path: output/network/failover/settings/role

Description: Is processor's failover role Primary or Backup

Data type: enum

Supported values: primary, backup Access Specifier: ReadOnly

#### **FAILOVER IS ACTIVE**

Path: output/network/failover/state/is-active

Description: Whether failover is active on the processor

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

#### **FAILOVER PARTNER IS ONLINE**

Path: output/network/failover/state/is-partner-present

Description: Whether the backup processor is currently online and detected

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

#### FAILOVER PARTNER ABSENCE DURATION

Path: output/network/failover/state/partner-absence-duration

Description: How long the backup processor has been absent for

Data type: string

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

### FAILOVER PARTNER NAME

Path: output/network/failover/state/partner-name

Description: Name of the backup processor

Data type: string

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

#### **FAILOVER PARTNER SERIAL**

Path: **output/network/failover/state/partner-serial** Description: Serial number of the backup processor

Data type: string

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

#### FAILOVER PARTNER VIDEO ABSENCE DURATION

Path: output/network/failover/state/partner-video-absence-duration Description: Time since backup processor video source was last detected

Data type: string

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

# **OVERRIDE**

#### **BLACKOUT ENABLED**

Path: **override/blackout/enabled**Description: Enables or disables blackout

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### **BLACKOUT FADE TIME**

Path: override/blackout/fade-time

Description: The value of the blackout fade time. The fade time may be adjusted between zero (snap) and 10 seconds

Data type: float Range: 0.0 - 10.0

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### FREEZE ENABLED

Path: override/freeze/enabled

Description: Enables or disables video freeze

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### **TEST PATTERN ENABLED**

Path: override/test-pattern/enabled

Description: Enables or disables test pattern output function

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

### **TEST PATTERN FORMAT**

Path: override/test-pattern/format

Description: Format of the generated test pattern

Data type: enum

Supported values: from-input, standard-dynamic-range, perceptual-quantiser, hybrid-log-gamma

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### **TEST PATTERN TYPE**

Path: override/test-pattern/type

Description: Determines which test pattern to generate. Defaults to SMPTE bars

Data type: enum

Supported values: brompton, brompton-overlay, red, green, blue, cyan, magenta, yellow, white, black, grid, scrolling-grid, checkerboard, scrolling-checkerboard, colour-bars, gamma, gradient, scrolling-gradient, strobe, smpte-bars,

scrolling-smpte-bars, custom, forty-five-degree-grid, scrolling-forty-five-degree-grid

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

# **PANELS**

# **PANEL TYPE**

Path: panels/items/{serial}/type Description: Panel type name

Data type: string

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

#### **ASSOCIATED PANELS COUNT**

Path: panels/statistics/associated-count

Description: The number of panels currently being controlled by the processor

Data type: int Range: 0 - 2200

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

#### **ERROR PANELS COUNT**

Path: panels/statistics/error-count

Description: The number of online panels currently reporting an error state

Data type: int Range: 0 - 2048

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

#### **ONLINE PANELS COUNT**

Path: panels/statistics/online-count

Description: The number of online panels currently detected by the processor

Data type: int Range: 0 - 2048

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

# **PRESETS**

#### **ACTIVE PRESET NAME**

Path: presets/active/name

Description: Name of the currently active preset

Data type: string

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

#### **ACTIVE PRESET NUMBER**

Path: presets/active/number
Description: Set to activate a preset

Data type: string

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### PRESET NAME

Path: presets/items/{number}/name Description: Processor preset name

Data type: string

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

### PRESET STATUS

Path: presets/items/{number}/status Description: Preset activation status

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

# **PROCESSING**

### 14-WAY COLOUR CORRECT ENABLED

Path: processing/colour-correct/enabled

Description: Enables or disables the processor's 14-Way Colour Correct feature

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

COLOUR REPLACE ENABLED

Path: processing/colour-replace/enabled

Description: Enables or disables the processor's Colour Replace feature

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### **CURVES ENABLED**

Path: processing/curves/enabled

Description: Enables or disables the processor's Colour Curves feature

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

### OSCA MODULE CORRECTION ENABLED

Path: processing/osca/module-correction-enabled Description: Enables or disables OSCA module correction

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### OSCA SEAM CORRECTION ENABLED

Path: processing/osca/seam-correction-enabled
Description: Enables or disables OSCA seam correction

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

#### **SCALER**

Path: **processing/scaler/enabled**Description: Enables or disables scaler

Data type: bool

Access Specifier: ReadWrite

# **SYSTEM**

#### **CURRENT DATE AND TIME**

Path: system/current-date-time

Description: Current date/time of processor in yyyy-MM-dd hh:mm:ss 24 hour format

Data type: string

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

#### PROCESSOR TYPE

Path: system/processor-type

Description: Processor hardware model

Data type: enum

Supported values: m2, s4, s8, t1, t8, sx40

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

#### **SOFTWARE VERSION**

Path: system/software-version

Description: Current version of software in format x.y.z

Data type: string

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

#### **UPTIME**

Path: system/uptime

Description: Time since processor boot in DDd HHh MMm SSs format

Data type: string

Access Specifier: ReadOnly

# 4. PROTOCOL EXAMPLE USAGE

## **HTTP**

IP Control functionality over HTTP on port 80 is accessed via the *lapi* path root to distinguish it from other web services.

All commands are accessible via the regular HTTP verbs GET (for read, list and help operations) and PUT (for set). There is also query-parameter based support for accessing all operations exclusively via GET for older clients that do not support extra verbs.

PUT request body data is passed/returned in standard JSON object format. If a PUT request returns a MissingInputParam error, a likely cause is that the JSON of the request body is either malformed or missing.

**GET** 

Use GET verb with target path. Example to get input video refresh rate:

```
Client:
GET http://SERVERADDRESS/api/input/active/refresh-rate

Server:
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Content-Type: application/json
{ refresh-rate: 60 }
```

#### SET (ENDPOINT)

Use PUT verb including data to set in a "data" tag in a JSON body. Example to set output brightness:

```
Client:
    PUT http://SERVERADDRESS/api/output/global-colour/brightness
    Content-Type: application/json
    { "data": 5000 }

Server:
    HTTP/1.1 200 OK
    Content-Type: application/json
    { "brightness": 5000 }
```

Alternative using GET verb only: pass the value to set as a "set=" query parameter.

Client: GET http://SERVERADDRESS/api/output/global-colour/brightness?set=5000

#### SET (DIRECTORY)

Pass the directory path, set=1 and one or more endpoint subpath=value as query parameters. Example to switch video input source to first SDI port:

```
Client:
    PUT http://SERVERADDRESS/api/input/active/source
    Content-Type: application/json
    {
        "data" : {
             "port-type": "SDI",
            "port-index": 0
    }
Server:
    HTTP/1.1 200 OK
    Content-Type: application/json
        "source": {
             port-type": "SDI",
            "port-index": 0
        }
    }
```

Alternative using GET verb only: pass "set=1" as a query parameter along with all endpoint subpaths/values to set.

Client: GET http://SERVERADDRESS/api/input/active/source?set=1&port-type=SDI&port-index=

```
Use GET verb passing "list=1" as a query parameter
      Client:
           GET http://SERVERADDRESS/api/override?list=1
     Server:
           HTTP/1.1 200 OK
           Content-Type: application/json
               "override":{
                   "blackout":{
                       "enabled": "Enable blackout",
"fade-time": "Time taken to fade to black when blackout enabled"
                  },
"freeze":{
    "able
                        enabled": "Enable video freeze"
                  },
"test-pattern":{
    "enabled":"Enable test pattern output function",
    "format":"Format of the generated test pattern",
    """"" of test pattern to generate."
                   }
              }
           }
HELP
Use GET verb passing "help=1" as a query parameter
           GET http://SERVERADDRESS/api/override?help=1
     Server:
           HTTP/1.1 200 OK
           Content-Type: application/json
               "override":{
    "blackout":{
                       "enabled":{
                           "Access Specifier": "R/W",
"Details": "Enables or disables blackout",
                           "Name": "Blackout Enabled",
                           "Summary": "Enable blackout",
"Type": "Boolean"
                       },
"fade-time":{
                           "Access Specifier": "R/W",
                           "Details": "The value of the blackout fade time. The fade time
                           may be adjusted between zero (snap) and 10 seconds",
                           "Name": "Blackout Fade Time",
                           "Summary": "Time taken to fade to black when blackout enabled", "Type": "Float (range: 0-10)"
                       }
                  "enabled":{
                           "Access Specifier":"R/W",
"Details":"Enables or disables video freeze",
```

# TELNET/TCP SOCKET

} }

Commandline access may be achieved by connecting on TCP port 23.

"Name": "Freeze Enabled",

"Summary": "Enable video freeze",
"Type": "Boolean"

Commands, paths and parameters should be separated by spaces. Data is returned as human-readable formatted text.

**GET** 

Example to get input video refresh rate:

Client:

```
get /input/active/refresh-rate
    Server:
        refresh-rate=60
SET (DIRECTORY)
Set video input source to first SDI port
    Client:
        set /input/active/source port-type=SDI,port-index=0
    Server:
        /source/
             port-type=SDI
port-index=0
LIST
    Client:
         list /project/properties
    Server:
         /properties/
             blackout-fade-time: Time in seconds to fade to black
             test-pattern-format: Format of applied test pattern
```