APSERa SOP for Control Interfaces

There are 3 interfaces to control the experiment:

APlus	For Turbo Pump Control
APSERa Control Interface	Control and read Scientific PS
(ACI)	2. Control and read cryocooler
	3. Read Lakeshore 8-channel temperatures
	4. Read IIA Datalogger data
Lakeshore Curve editor	For editing lakeshore loaded curves

Turbo pump

Using APLUS software from Agilent. With the help of python library 'wine' we have to run the windows executable in Ubuntu. The location of APlus from home is:

/home/swan/apsera/control_interfaces/APlus

Go to the directory of APlus in the terminal and run the following command:

wine APluslauncher.exe

Curve editor interface

To run Curve.py interface in /home/swan/apsera/control_interfaces, run the respective command in the directory:

Run ACI interface

In /home/swan/apsera/control_interfaces/ACI folder, we have the cryotel_f.py file with the index.html in templates folder.

To run the flask webapp, run the flask app cryotel f.py.

Operation procedure:

1. Turn on power for turbo pump (**keep auto-override on**), the pressure gauge (keep its switch off), and all sensors.

Note: The USBs are physically connected already. If you are connecting from start, connect turbo pump first then rest all USBs one by one. But before connecting rest all USBs complete step 2 first. Then query all USB Port addresses as you connect, using dmesg | grep tty.

2. Run APLUS using the steps mentioned above using wine.

Troubleshooting APLUS: It might throw 'no pumps found' error. Try removing the USB and plugging in again, OR try connecting the USB to some different port, OR lastly restart the pump. APLUS scans through all the COM ports to establish connection, so any conflicts can raise errors. So, you can try restarting the computer as well.

3. Now that you have interfaced pump and you know all ports addresses, fire up the flask webapp. Input all USB addresses as found.

Currently default is set according to the present connections. You can go to the code and change the defaults there as well if USBs are shuffled.

4. ENSURE ALL VENT VALVES ARE CLOSED.

- 5. In APLUS, enable logging of all required parameters. Add new numeric parameter for pressure using window number as 224.
- 6. Turn on the Pump. Wait for the pressure to come down to ~1e-5 mbar.
- 7. Engage the Cryocooler using the ACI webapp:
 - a. Set target temperature and query to check whether it is updated!
 - b. Set and query PID values.
 - c. Enable the logging using START LOGGING button. Which logs all data being fed.
 - d. Start the Cooler.
 - e. Stop the logging using STOP LOGGING button.
 - f. Stop the Cooler.
- 8. Allow the cryocooler dewar temperature reach 273K+ before releasing the pressure!
- 9. Turn off the Turbo pump switch. Then power off all instruments.







