

# Rapier project

## A hardware interface system for Linux

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# Abstract

**Language** This project documentation is written in English even though the authors native language is Danish. English was chosen because of the license chosen for the hardware and software. For the project to be read and understood by most people around the world, English was the best choice.

**Project subject** This project is about the design and assembly of interface system for a PC running Linux capable of

**The author** This project is about a hardware interface system designed by me and the software to control it. The project is a part of my final exam which hopefully will occur in January 2005. I'm in the final semester of a 2 year training at Århus Tekniske Skole, in Århus, Denmark.

The aim of the project was reached.

**Development description** I designed the hardware from a modular point of view. The software proved to be the biggest challenge. Especially the GUI and serial communication. I got most of the help from a Linux programming mailing list and several searches on the Internet through Google.

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# Chapter 1

## Problem description

### 1.1 The main idea

This project is about designing an interface system for a PC, capable of electronically measure and control the real world. The system will be controlled through a GUI<sup>1</sup>.

The system will be build with modules and highly scaleable. The hardware will be based on PCB's<sup>2</sup> on a custom bus system.

As aid in the management of project files, upload releases to the Internet (<http://rapier.sourceforge.net/>) and backup purpose, a project file management system is written.

#### **Hardware:**

- 1 analog ADC<sup>3</sup> input
- 8 digital inputs
- 8 digital outputs
- 1 analog DAC<sup>4</sup> output
- Monitor board
- Easy to maintain and trouble shoot
- External power supply(not included in this project)

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<sup>1</sup>Graphical User Interface

<sup>2</sup>Printed Circuit Board

<sup>3</sup>Analog to Digital Converter

<sup>4</sup>Digital to Analog Converter

**Software:**

- Easy to use graphical interface
- Support for all hardware functionality

**Project file management:**

- Backup files.
- Distribute released files to sourceforge.net through ssh<sup>5</sup>.
- Update drawings, pictures and schematics in documentation and home-page.
- Gathering source code from IDE<sup>6</sup> projects.
- Version control through "rsync"<sup>7</sup>.

**Practical applications**

- Measure temperature.
- Detect daylight.
- Turn on relays.
- Light shows.
- DDS functionality.<sup>8</sup>
- Test equipment.
- Process control.

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<sup>5</sup>In computing, Secure shell, or SSH, is both a computer program and an associated network protocol designed for logging into and executing commands on a remote computer. It is intended to replace the earlier rlogin, telnet and rsh protocols, and provides secure encrypted communications between two untrusted hosts over an insecure network.

<sup>6</sup>An integrated development environment (IDE) (also known as an integrated design environment and integrated debugging environment) is computer software to help computer programmers develop software.

<sup>7</sup>rsync is a utility which synchronizes files and directories between two locations while minimizing data transfer.

<sup>8</sup>Direct Digital Synthesis is a method to digitally create arbitrary waveforms and frequencies from a single source fixed frequency.

## 1.2 Interface connection type

There are 4 types of connection from the PC to the external interface/controller:

- PCI<sup>9</sup> I/O<sup>10</sup> card
- USB<sup>11</sup> I/O card
- Communication through the parallel port
- Communication through the serial port
- Communication through the IR port

### 1.2.1 PCI I/O card

Pro:

- Available driver means ready to go
- Relative high speed

Con:

- Expensive
- Proprietary driver

### 1.2.2 USB I/O card

Pro:

- Cheaper than PCI I/O card
- Connect to any modern PC

Con:

- More difficult to write a driver

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<sup>9</sup>The Peripheral Component Interconnect standard (in practice almost always shortened to PCI) specifies a computer bus for attaching peripheral devices to a computer motherboard.

<sup>10</sup>Input/output, or I/O, is the collection of interfaces that different functional units (sub-systems) of an information processing system use to communicate with each other, or to the signals (information) sent through those interfaces.

<sup>11</sup>Universal Serial Bus (USB) provides a serial bus standard for connecting devices, usually to a computer, but it also is in use on other devices such as set-top boxes, game consoles and PDAs.

### **1.2.3 Parallel port**

Pro:

- Connect to any PC
- Cheap technology
- Driver available

Con:

- Relatively slow
- Traditionally a one way communication

### **1.2.4 Serial port**

Pro:

- Connect to any PC
- Cheap technology
- Driver available
- Easy to communicate with

Con:

- Slowest speed

### **1.2.5 IR port**

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Pro:

- Connect to a laptop PC
- Cheap technology
- Driver available
- Easy to communicate with

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<sup>12</sup>IR is an abbreviation of Infra Red

Con:

- Slowest speed
- Must have visual contact

**Conclusion** After much research and some interviews, the decision fell upon serial connection because of the above mentioned benefits.

### 1.2.6 External controller

The Z8 microcontroller was chosen because of available knowledge. But there are several benefits:

- Cheap
- Easy to use the serial line to communicate
- A great deal of source code

Future versions will be based on either Atmel AVR<sup>13</sup> microcontroller or the Hitachi H8<sup>14</sup> due to the fact that compilers exists for Linux operating system.

## 1.3 Choosing a programming language

There are several programming languages to choose between. Each language has its advantages. The project can be split into the following parts:

- Z8 microcontroller
- GUI
- Project file management

The relevant languages available:

- BASH Shell scripting (project file management)<sup>15</sup>.
- C<sup>16</sup> (Z8).

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<sup>13</sup>The Atmel AVR is a family of RISC microcontrollers from Atmel.

<sup>14</sup>H8 is the name of a large family of 8-bit and 16-bit microcontrollers made by Renesas Technology Corp., originating in the early 1990s within Hitachi Semiconductor and still actively evolving as of 2004.

<sup>15</sup>Bash is a UNIX command shell written for the GNU project. Its name is an acronym for Bourne-again shell - a pun on the Bourne shell (sh), which was an early, important UNIX shell.

<sup>16</sup>The C programming language is a low-level standardized programming language developed in the early 1970s by Ken Thompson and Dennis Ritchie for use on the UNIX operating system.

- C++<sup>17</sup>/QT<sup>18</sup> (GUI).

## 1.4 Developing the software

It is important to choose a good IDE for the task at hand. For this project I will use QT designer, Kdevelop and Z8 IDE. QT designer and Kdevelop is for Linux, and Z8 IDE is for Windows.

Very usefull tools:

- Doxygen
- rsync

## 1.5 Board Communication

Control signals		
Signal	Name	Description
Deselect Board	DB	Deselects the board.
Address Decode	AD	Decodes the address by comparing address and ID set with DIP switch.
Function Enable Output	FEO	Enables the output function of a board.
Function Enable Input	FEI	Enables the input function of a board.
Address Enable	AE	Latches the address for later AD.
Deselect Board	DB	Deselects all boards. Not used in current version but kept for future use.

Table 1.1: Control signals

Control signals	
Port	Description
E	Control Bus
G	Address/Data Bus
H	Analog inputs

Table 1.2: Ports and busses

## 1.6 Fan IN and fan OUT

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<sup>17</sup>C++ (pronounced "sea plus plus") is a general-purpose computer programming language.

<sup>18</sup>In computer programming, the Qt toolkit is a cross-platform graphical widget toolkit for the development of GUI programs.

<sup>19</sup>Fan-out is a term that defines the maximum number of digital inputs that the output of a single logic gate can feed. Most transistor-transistor logic (TTL) gates can feed up to 10 other digital gates or devices. Thus, a typical TTL gate has a fan-out of 10.

### 1.6.1 Boards

Fan IN and fan OUT in each board is not a consideration due to the simplicity of the design. There's not enough inputs and outputs to even come near any problem.

### 1.6.2 System Bus

There is a limited number of boards that the Z8 can communicate with since all the boards has their address decoding enabled at all time.

For the project only 3 boards uses board selection hardware. There are not enough boards to raise any concern about Fan IN and Fan OUT.

It is possible to enable "Hi Drive" on the Z8 to handle the load. But it is not used in this project.

## 1.7 Ground

To reduce noise, special consideration has been given to the design of cabled connections. Even numbered wires in the cable are grounded and odd numbered wires are used for signals.

## 1.8 Distributed CPU power

**A design consideration:** Where to leave the task of computing the instructions?

If the largest part of instruction handling lies within the Z8, the Z8 will only get small instructions to carry out. The Z8 will need to have the full driver of every board. The Z8 will only send the result of an instruction back to the PC.

Pro:

- Less communication.
- Less PC code.

Con:

- More Z8 code.
- For every new kind of board, the Z8 code needs update.

If the largest part of instruction handling lies within the PC, the Z8 will be used as a "serial to parallel converter". The PC will need to have the full driver of every board. The Z8 will only receive and send simple port instructions back and forth to the PC.

Pro:

- Less Z8 code.
- Little or no update of Z8 code for a new board.

Con:

- A lot more communication.
- More PC code.

**Conclusion** Since the boards use the same addressing routine, and a board can be either input or output, it has been decided to adopt a design in the middle of the road.

The Z8 receives only 4 different instructions:

- Single ADC operation
- Addressing a board
- Byte output
- Byte input

An Addressing instruction is normally followed by a Byte In or a Byte Out instruction.

More of this is described in the protocol section on page 72.

## 1.9 Decoupling capacitors

For this project all decoupling capacitors has the value of 100 nF of the ceramic type.

# Chapter 2

# Specifications

## 2.1 Hardware

### 2.1.1 General specifications

For all the hardware in the system certain criteria has to be met.

- All Boards using 5V, -5V, 12V or 12V regulated power supply.
- Operating temperature: indoor temperature.

### 2.1.2 Z8

For this project a Z8 Evaluation Board is used. The Z8 must have the following specifications:

- 2 full ports available for digital signal use.
- 2 inputs available for analog signal use.
- Onboard connectors for the Adaptor Board.

The Z8 evaluation board is not a part of the project and not described in detail.  
Hardware not a part of the project.

### 2.1.3 Adaptor Board

The purpose of the Adaptor Board is to make a physical stable connector to the Bus System.

- Power supplied from the Z8 board.

### 2.1.4 Bus system

The purpose of the Bus System is to connect the Adaptor Board with several Boards.

- Based on a flat cable.
- By turns using signal and ground in the cable wires.
- 16 digital signal wires.
- 1 analog signal wire.
- 25 ground wires.
- 4 voltage supply wires.
- 4 unused wires.

### 2.1.5 Monitoring and Power Board

The purpose of the Monitoring and Power Board is to monitor signals on the Address/Data bus and Control bus on the Bus System, and to supply the external power into the Bus System.

- Input for external Power Supply.
- Monitor the digital signals using LED's.<sup>1</sup>

### 2.1.6 Digital Input Board

The purpose of the Digital Input Board is to transfer 8 bit from the input to the Z8.

- 8 bit Input.
- Galvanic separation using opto couplers.<sup>2</sup>

### 2.1.7 Digital Output Board

The purpose of the Digital Output Board is to transfer 8 bit from the Z8 to the output.

- 8 bit latched outputs.

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<sup>1</sup>A light-emitting diode (LED) is a semiconductor device that emits incoherent monochromatic light when electrically biased in the forward direction.

<sup>2</sup>An opto-isolator/opto-coupler is a device that uses optical techniques to electrically isolate two related circuits, typically a transmitter and a receiver.

### 2.1.8 Analog Input Board

The purpose of the Analog Input Board is to provide surge protection in the analog signal and transfer it to the Z8.

- 1 analog input.
- Signal levels: 0 - 2 V
- Surge protection levels: lower than -0.6 V and higher than +5.6 V

### 2.1.9 Analog Output Board

The purpose of the Analog Output Board is to make an analog signal.

- 1 analog output.
- Signal levels: 0 - 2 V

### 2.1.10 Power Supply

The Power Supply is donated to the project, and therefore not described in details.

- 5V regulated.
- -5V regulated.
- 12V regulated.
- -12V regulated.
- Not a part of the project.

## 2.2 Software

### 2.2.1 General specifications

- GPL license.<sup>3</sup>
- Inline documentation for Doxygen.<sup>4</sup>

### 2.2.2 Z8

- Communication protocol.

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<sup>3</sup>The GNU General Public License is a free software license, created by the Free Software Foundation, version 2 was released in 1991. It is usually abbreviated to GNU GPL, or, simply, GPL.

<sup>4</sup>Doxygen is a documentation system for C++, C, Java, IDL (Corba and Microsoft flavors) and to some extent Objective-C, PHP, C# and D.

**2.2.3 GUI**

- Normal use.

**2.2.4 Serial Communication**

- Resistant to noise.

**2.2.5 3rd. party software**

- Bash version 2.x
- KDE version 3.x<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>5</sup>KDE (K Desktop Environment) is a free desktop environment and development platform built with Trolltech's Qt toolkit.

## Chapter 3

# Hardware Block/Module description

### 3.1 System overview

The whole system overview.

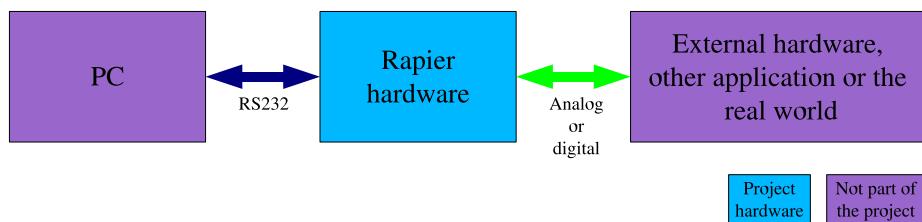


Figure 3.1: System overview

This project is about the hardware that interfaces a PC together to external hardware(the real physical world) through RS232<sup>1</sup>, and the software to operate the project hardware.

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<sup>1</sup>RS-232 (also referred to as EIA RS-232C or V.24) is a standard for serial binary data interchange between a DTE (Data terminal equipment) and a DCE (Data communication equipment).

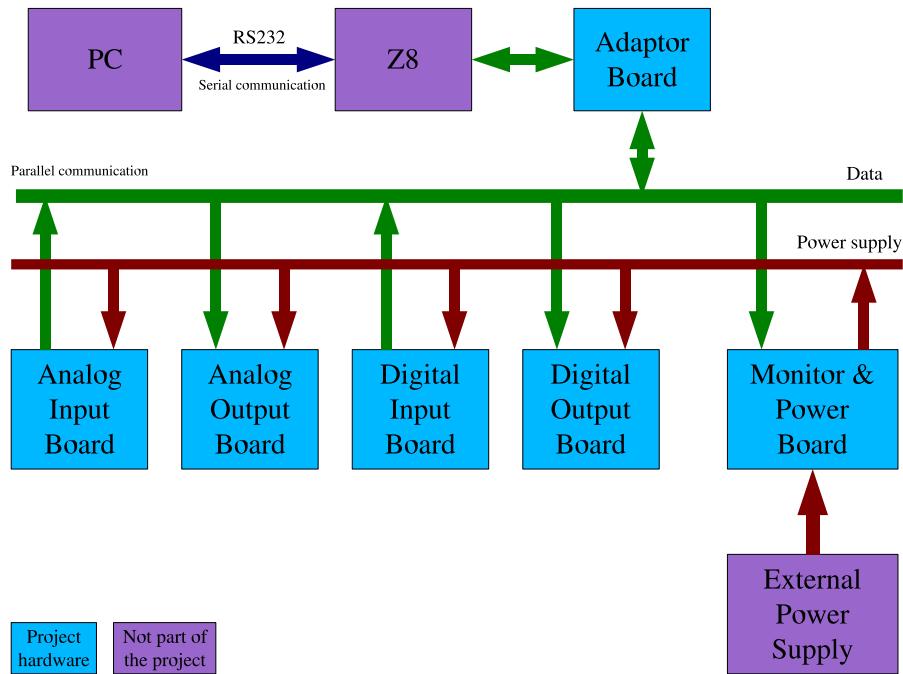


Figure 3.2: Detailed system overview

### 3.1.1 Description

**PC** The system is operated from a PC. The PC communicate with the project hardware through a serial connection over RS232 standard. This communication is bi-directional.

**External power supply** This external power supply provides power for the input/output boards and the monitor board. It is not a part of the project.

**Z8** This microcontroller receives commands from the PC and executes them by sending signals to the boards and return the results to the PC if required. Some commands are followed by address or data, some are not. Not all commands require data to be returned.

**Adaptor Board** This board connects the Z8 with the Bus System/flat cable. It provides a very stable connection and the possibility to switch off the bus for maintenance purpose.

**Monitor and Power Board** To supply the other boards with power, this board is connected to external power supplies. The board has LED's showing the activity on the Address/Data bus and the Control Bus.

**Analog Input Board** This board connects an external analog voltage through to the Z8 microcontroller with its ADC. The board provide some protection for surges in the input voltage.

**Analog Output Board** This board generates a voltage ranging from 0V - 2V. The board is based on a 8-bit DAC.

**Digital Input Board** This board latches 8 TTL-level inputs through opto couplers and sends those 8 bit to the Z8 microcontroller, which sends them to the PC.

**Digital Output Board** This board sends 8 bit from the Z8 microcontroller to the the 8 output terminals through a latch.

### 3.1.2 Calibration of hardware

The calibrated is located in section 3.7.8 on page 62.

## 3.2 The Bus System

The purpose of the Bus System is to carry the signals back and forth between the boards and the Z8.

The cable used is a SCSI<sup>2</sup> cable with 50 wires. This cable is chosen because of the number of wires and availability of tools to add extra connectors on the cable. The even numbered wires are connected to ground to suppress noise. The odd numbered wires are connected to signals. All signals are TTL level.

Here's a description of the wires in the flat cable:

Bus System Description	
Signal	Name
1	AD0
3	AD1
5	AD2
7	AD3
9	AD4
11	AD5
13	AD6
15	AD7
17	Address Enable
19	Function Enable Output
21	Address Decode
23	Deselect Board
25	Function Enable Input
27 - 39	No connection
41	Analog Input
43	+12V
45	-12V
47	+5V
49	-5V
Even pin numbers	Ground

Table 3.1: Bus System Description

The signals are split up in groups:

- Address/Data in 8 wires.
- Control bus in 5 wires.
- 4 power supply voltages in 4 wires.

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<sup>2</sup>SCSI stands for "Small Computer System Interface", and is a standard interface for transferring data between devices on a computer bus.

- 1 analog input in 1 wire.
- Several unused wires.

Each group of connections are also grouped on the cable. The power supply voltages and analog input are kept in one side of the cable, and the rest in the other side of the cable to reduce the noise on the cable.

### 3.3 Adaptor board

#### 3.3.1 Purpose

The purpose of this Adaptor Board is to connect the bus to the Z8 board. The need for good and mechanical stable connections is paramount for electrical stability.

The board had 2 switches for maintenance and testing purpose. It is possible to switch off the whole bus to separately test the signals from the Z8 board and the Rapier hardware.

#### 3.3.2 Photo

Here's a photo of the Adaptor Board.

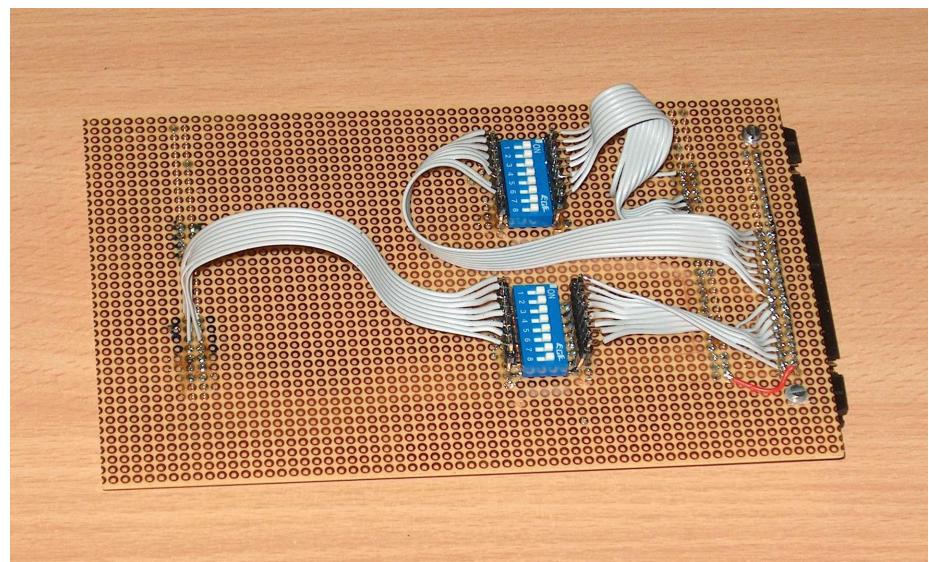


Figure 3.3: Adaptor Board Photo.

### 3.3.3 Block diagram

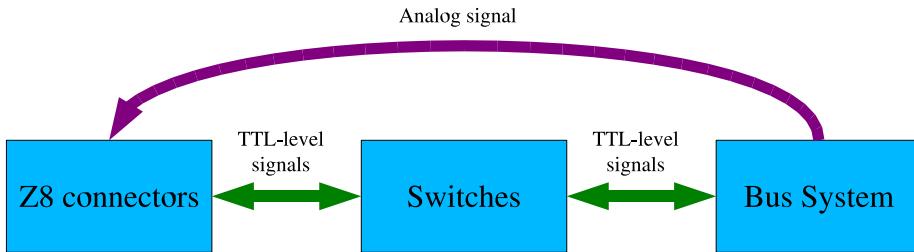


Figure 3.4: Adaptor Board block diagram

#### 3.3.3.1 Description

This board connects the Z8 evaluation board to the Bus System. It does not process any of the signal it transfers. For maintenance purpose it is possible to disconnect the signals by switching them off on the switches.

### 3.3.4 Bus communication

The Adaptor Board does not perform any processing of any signals. The default setting of operation is when the switches is on.

### 3.3.5 Calculations

No calculations is needed for this board. Thereś no active components on this board.

### 3.3.6 Schematics

This is the schematic of the Adaptor Board.

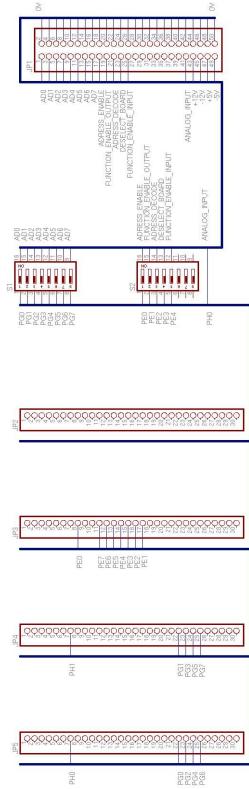


Figure 3.5: Adaptor Board Schematics.

### 3.3.7 Partlist

This is the partlist for the Adaptor Board.

#### Partlist

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Part	Value	Device	Package	Library	Sheet
JP1		PINHD-2X25	2X25	pinhead	1
JP2		PINHD-1X30	1X30	pinhead	1
JP3		PINHD-1X30	1X30	pinhead	1
JP4		PINHD-1X30	1X30	pinhead	1
JP5		PINHD-1X30	1X30	pinhead	1
S1		DA08	DA-08	switch-dil	1
S2		DA08	DA-08	switch-dil	1

### **3.3.8 Test procedures**

Procedure:

1. Measure resistance between ground and all the signals and voltage inputs.  
Resistance should be infinite.
2. Do a visual inspection and look for shorts in the wires and soldering work.
3. Connect the board on the Z8 board and test that all pins have levels according a test program.

**Conclusion:** The board is working as planned.

## 3.4 Monitoring and power board

### 3.4.1 Purpose

The purpose of this board is to monitor the bus activity and to connect the other boards to the external power supplies.

Monitoring is done by observing the LED's on the bus.

### 3.4.2 Photo

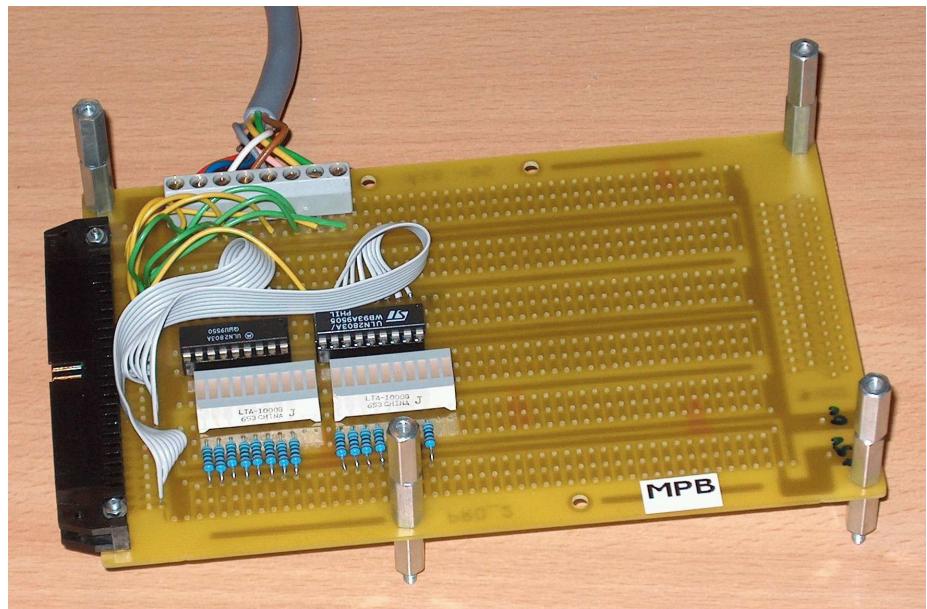


Figure 3.6: Monitoring and Power Board Photo.

### 3.4.3 Block diagram

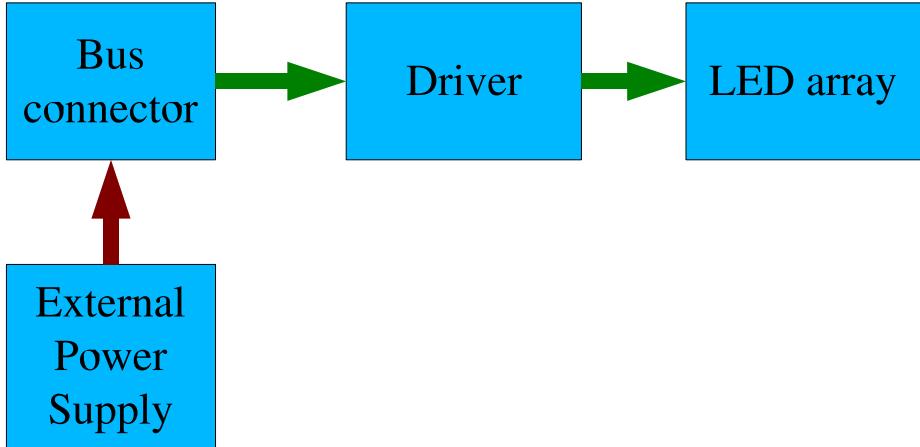


Figure 3.7: Monitoring and Power Board Block Diagram.

#### 3.4.3.1 Description

The external power supply is connected directly to the bus system. The Driver and LED array shows what activity there is on the AD bus and the control bus.

### 3.4.4 Bus communication

The board does not perform any signal processing at all.

### 3.4.5 Calculations

#### 3.4.5.1 Darlington output

<sup>3</sup>

$$U_R = 2,5V \quad (3.1)$$

$$U_D = 1,6V \quad (3.2)$$

$$U_{CE} = V_{CE(sat)} = 0,9V \quad (3.3)$$

$$I_B = 0,93mA \quad (3.4)$$

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<sup>3</sup>Darlington refers to a coupling of 2 transistors.

$$I_R = 10,0mA \quad (3.5)$$

$$R = 250\Omega \quad (3.6)$$

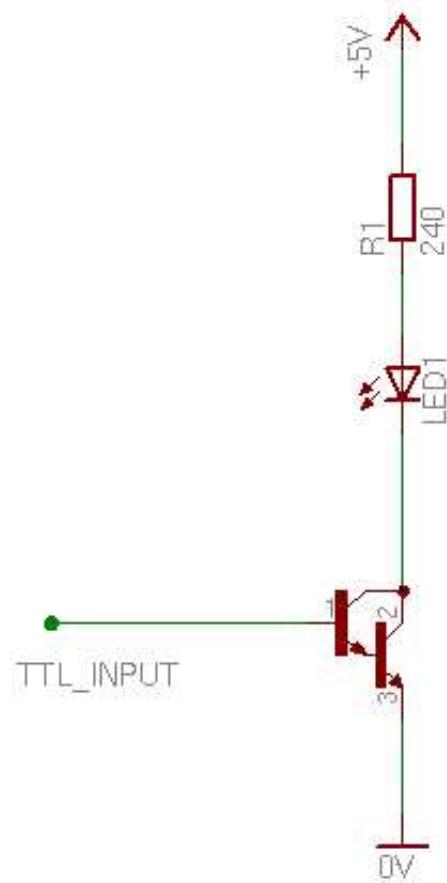


Figure 3.8: Darlington

### 3.4.6 Schematics of the board

This schematic of the Monitor and Power board.

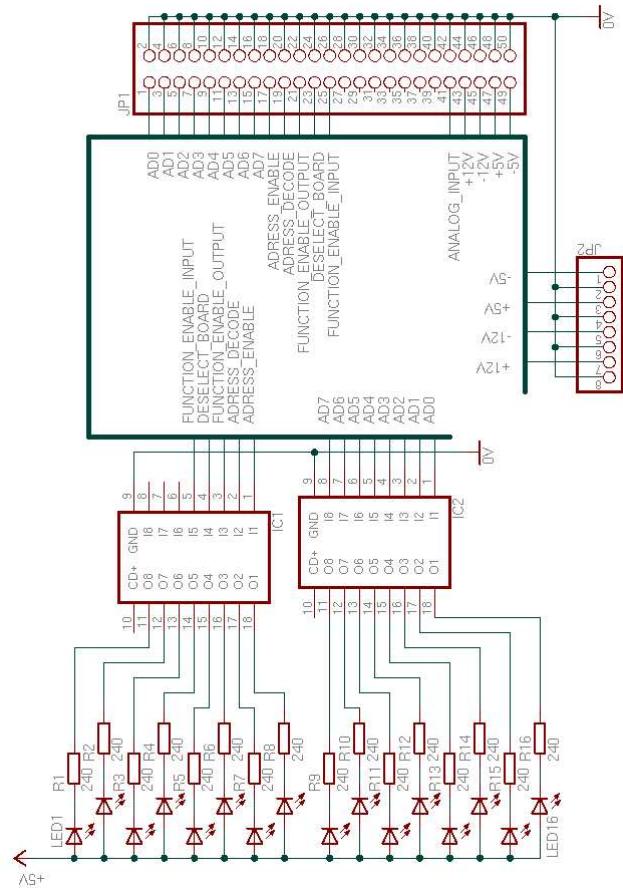


Figure 3.9: Monitoring and Power Board schematic.

### 3.4.7 Schematics of the power cable

The schematic is of power cable.

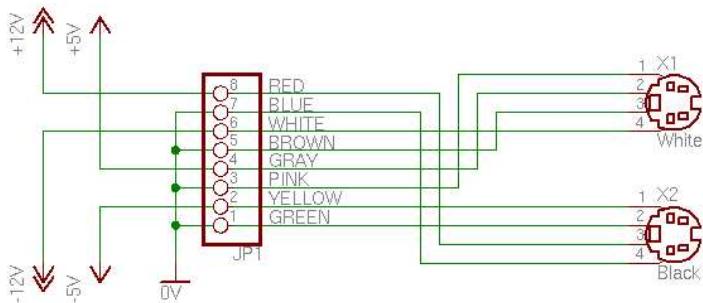


Figure 3.10: Power Cable schematic.

### 3.4.8 Partlist

This is the partlist of the Monitor and Power Board.

#### Partlist

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Part	Value	Device	Package	Library	Sheet
IC1		ULN2803A	DIL18	uln-udn	1
IC2		ULN2803A	DIL18	uln-udn	1
JP1		PINHD-2X25	2X25	pinhead	1
JP2		PINHD-1X8	1X08	pinhead	1
LED1		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED2		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED3		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED4		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED5		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED6		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED7		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED8		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED9		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED10		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED11		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED12		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED13		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED14		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED15		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED16		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
R1	240	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R2	240	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R3	240	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R4	240	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R5	240	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R6	240	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R7	240	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R8	240	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R9	240	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R10	240	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R11	240	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R12	240	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R13	240	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R14	240	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R15	240	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R16	240	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1

### 3.4.9 Test procedure

Procedure:

1. Measure resistance between ground and all the signals and voltage inputs.  
Resistance should be infinite.
2. Do a visual inspection and look for shorts in the wires and soldering work.
3. Connect the board to the bus system.
4. Connect the board to external power.
5. Observe the LED array for bus activity.

**Conclusion:** The board is working as planned.

## 3.5 Digital Output Board

### 3.5.1 Purpose

The purpose of this board is to set the TTL level output according to the byte received from the Z8.

### 3.5.2 Photo

Photo of the Digital Output Board.

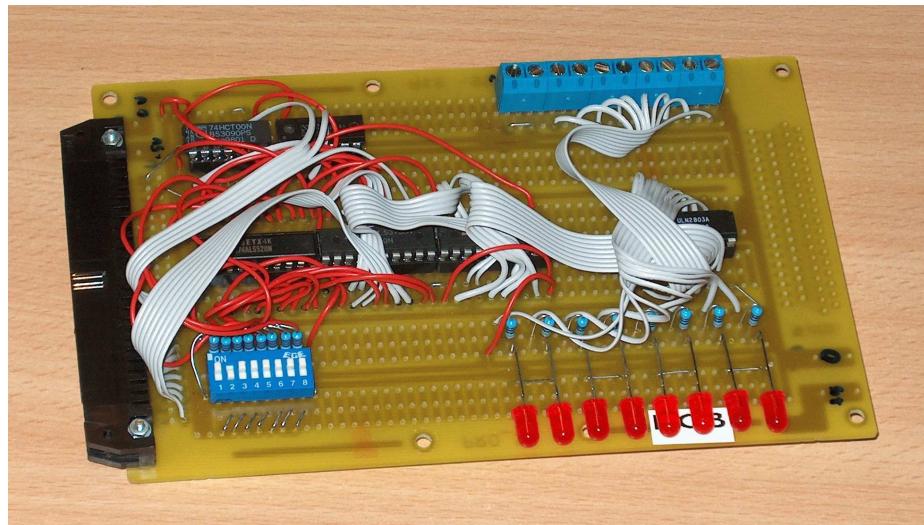


Figure 3.11: Digital Output Board Photo.

### 3.5.3 Block diagram

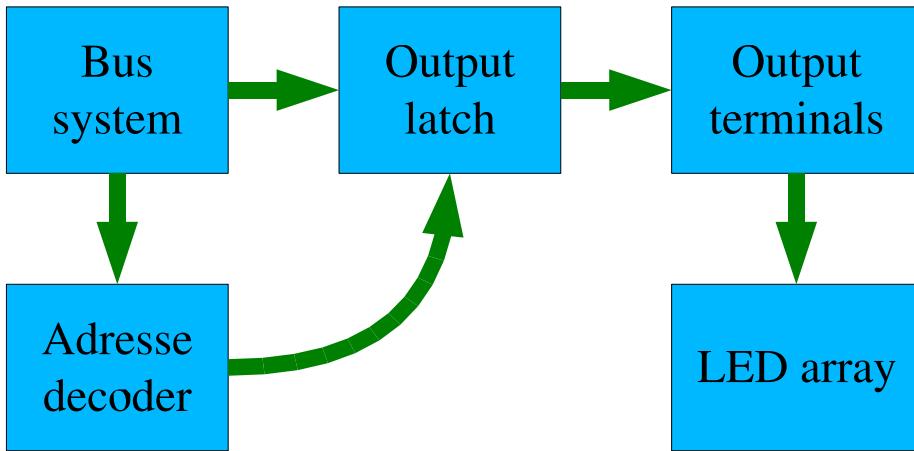


Figure 3.12: Digital Output Board Block Diagram.

**Bus system** This is connected to the flat cable.

**Address decode** This module compare the address with the board id.

**Output latch** This latch is activated when the proper address is received and outputs the data received from the Z8 microcontroller.

**Output terminals** These are output terminals to be connected to external hardware.

**LED array** This LED array are for monitoring the output.

### 3.5.4 Bus communication

Overview of address and control signals to use this board:

1. Address the board
2. Send data to output

#### 3.5.4.1 Adressing a board

**Description of signals** The tables below are based on TTL-level inputs:

**Step** The column tells the step in the routine.

**AD bus** This column is the 8 bit bus which can hold an address or data.

**Adress Enable** This column is a signal from the Z8 micro controller.

**Adress Decode** This column is a signal from the Z8 micro controller.

**Deselect Board** This column is a signal from the Z8 micro controller.

**State** This column shows whether the board is selected or not.

**Selecting a board** There is only one way to address a board and that is to send an address and decode it.

Selecting a board					
Step	AD bus	Adress Enable	Adress Decode	Deselect Board	State
1	X	0	0	0	Not selected
2	Valid adress	0	0	0	Not selected
3	Valid adress	1	1	0	Selected
4	Valid adress	0	0	0	Selected
5	X	0	0	0	Selected

Table 3.2: Selecting a board

**Explanation** First the Z8 send out an address on the AD-bus. Then the Z8 tells that it is an address by setting Adress Enable active high. This starts the address/id comparing. By sending the Adress Decode the result of address/id compare is stored in a flip-flop. By now the board is selected until a Deselect Board or decoding of an invalid address.

#### Deselecting a board method 1

The fastest way to deselect a board is to select another board. When trying to decode an invalid address, the board deselects it self automatically.

Deselecting a board method 1					
Step	AD bus	Adress Enable	Adress Decode	Deselect Board	State
1	X	0	0	0	Selected
2	Invalid adress	0	0	0	Selected
3	Invalid adress	1	1	0	Not selected
4	Invalid adress	0	0	0	Not selected
5	X	0	0	0	Not selected

Table 3.3: Deselecting a board method 1

**Explanation** When the board try to decode an invalid address and at the same time receives an Address Decode, the result is stored in the flip-flop and thereby disabling further board functions.

### Deselecting a board method 2

The most obvious way to deselect a board is to deselect all boards in the system. This can be done by using a function, but it is not used in the Z8 code, but it is available for future use.

Deselecting a board method 2					
Step	AD bus	Address Enable	Address Decode	Deselect Board	State
1	X	0	0	0	Selected
2	X	0	0	1	Not selected
3	X	0	0	0	Not selected

Table 3.4: Deselecting a board method 2

**Explanation** A Deselect Board forces the flip-flop into "not selected" state.

#### 3.5.4.2 Output functions to a board

**Description of signals** The tables below are based on TTL-level inputs:

Step The column tells the step in the routine.

Board Select State This column tells if the board is selected or not.

AD bus direction Which way is data supposed to flow.

AD bus data What is on the AD bus.

Output Function Enable Signal from the Z8 to active the board input function, typically a latch.

Output functions to a board			
Step	Board Selected State	AD bus	Input Function Enable
1	Selected	Valid data	0
2	Selected	Valid data	0
3	Selected	Valid data	1
4	Selected	Valid data	0
5	Selected	Valid data	0

Table 3.5: Output functions to a board

**Explanation** The board uses a second latch to handle data instead of address. The data is send forward to, typically, an output terminal or a DAC. When data is ready on the AD bus, the board receives an Output Function Enable signal to enable the second latch.

### 3.5.5 Calculations

#### 3.5.5.1 8 bit comparator input

$$V_{IL} = 0.8V \quad (3.7)$$

$$U_R = 4.2V \quad (3.8)$$

$$I_R = 0.1mA \quad (3.9)$$

$$R = \frac{U_R}{I_R} = \frac{4.2}{0.1m} = 42K\Omega \quad (3.10)$$

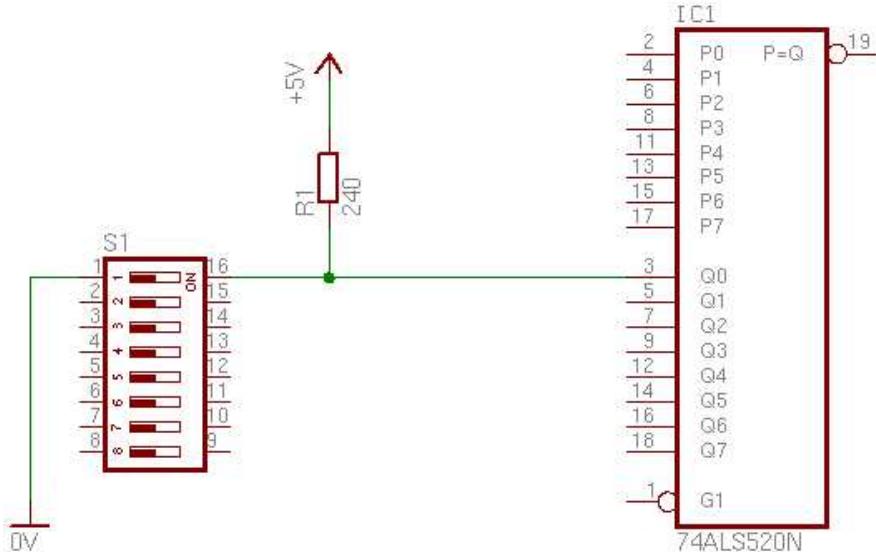


Figure 3.13: 8 bit comparator input

#### 3.5.5.2 Darlington output

See calculations section 3.4.5.1 on page 39.

### 3.5.6 Schematics

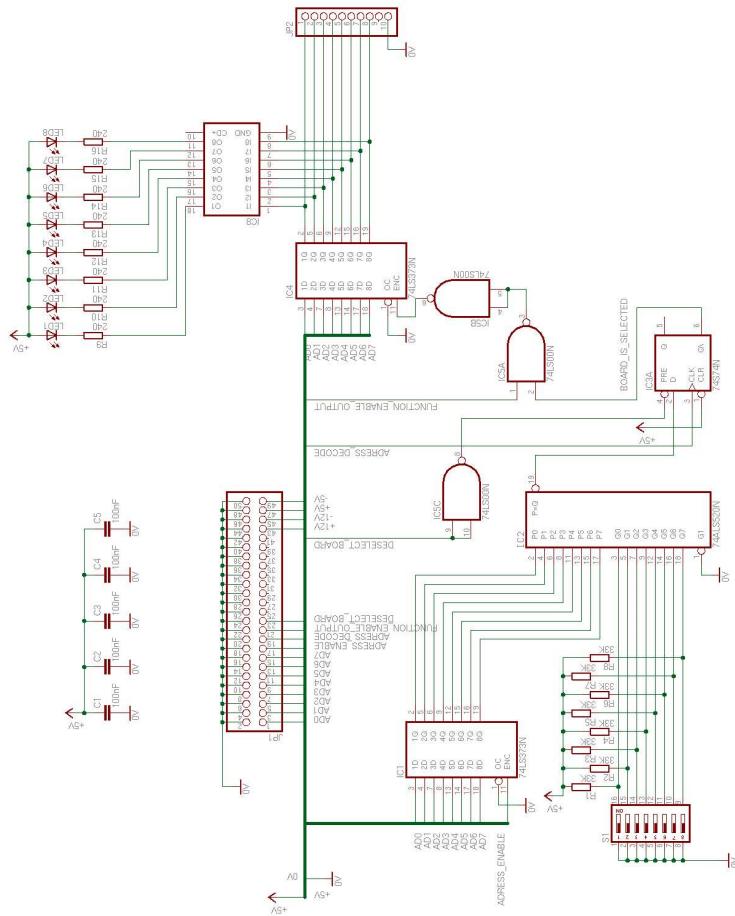


Figure 3.14: Digital Output Board schematic.

### 3.5.7 Partlist

#### Partlist

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Part	Value	Device	Package	Library	Sheet
C1	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
C2	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
C3	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
C4	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
C5	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
IC1	74LS373N	74LS373N	DIL20	74xx-us	1

IC2	74ALS520N	74ALS520N	DIL20	74xx-eu	1
IC3	74S74N	74S74N	DIL14	74xx-us	1
IC4	74LS373N	74LS373N	DIL20	74xx-us	1
IC5	74LS00N	74LS00N	DIL14	74xx-us	1
IC8		ULN2803A	DIL18	uln-udn	1
JP1		PINHD-2X25	2X25	pinhead	1
JP2		PINHD-1X10	1X10	pinhead	1
LED1		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED2		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED3		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED4		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED5		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED6		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED7		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
LED8		LED5MM	LED5MM	led	1
R1	33K	R-EU_0207/10	0207/10	rcl	1
R2	33K	R-EU_0207/10	0207/10	rcl	1
R3	33K	R-EU_0207/10	0207/10	rcl	1
R4	33K	R-EU_0207/10	0207/10	rcl	1
R5	33K	R-EU_0207/10	0207/10	rcl	1
R6	33K	R-EU_0207/10	0207/10	rcl	1
R7	33K	R-EU_0207/10	0207/10	rcl	1
R8	33K	R-EU_0207/10	0207/10	rcl	1
R9	240	R-EU_0204/7	0204/7	rcl	1
R10	240	R-EU_0204/7	0204/7	rcl	1
R11	240	R-EU_0204/7	0204/7	rcl	1
R12	240	R-EU_0204/7	0204/7	rcl	1
R13	240	R-EU_0204/7	0204/7	rcl	1
R14	240	R-EU_0204/7	0204/7	rcl	1
R15	240	R-EU_0204/7	0204/7	rcl	1
R16	240	R-EU_0204/7	0204/7	rcl	1
S1		DA08	DA-08	switch-dil	1

### 3.5.8 Test procedures

Procedure:

1. Measure resistance between ground and all the signals and voltage inputs.  
Resistance should be infinite.
2. Do a visual inspection and look for shorts in the wires and soldering work.
3. Connect the board to the bus system.
4. Run the GUI program and test the board by visual inspection of the LED and match their lights with the setting in the GUI.

**Conclusion:** The board is working as planned.

## 3.6 Digital Input Board

### 3.6.1 Purpose

The purpose of this board is to transfer 8 bit TTL-level inputs to the Z8 microcontroller.

### 3.6.2 Photo

This is the Digital Input Board.

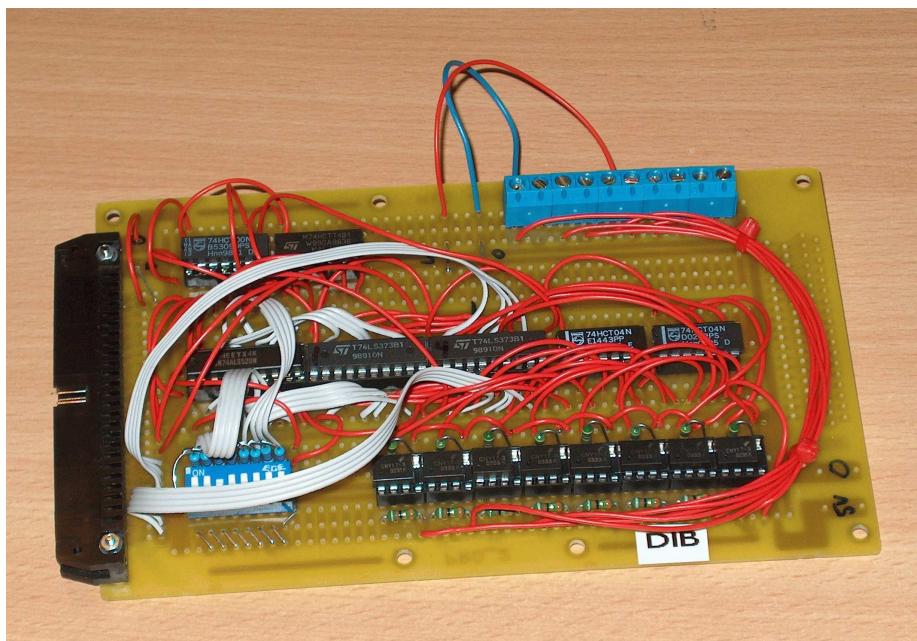


Figure 3.15: Digital Input Board Photo.

### 3.6.3 Block diagram

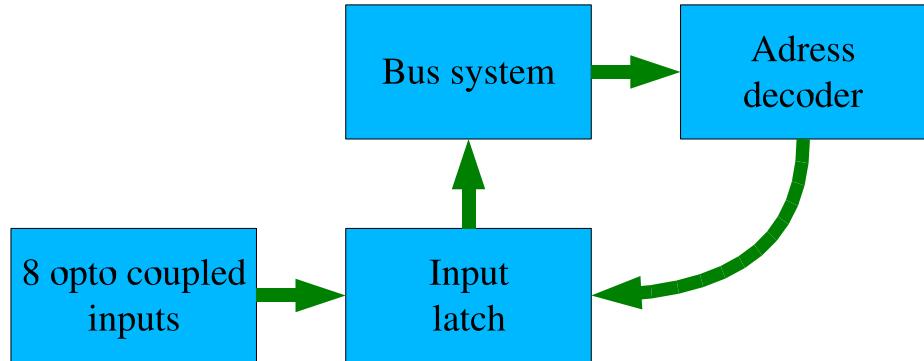


Figure 3.16: Digital Input Board Block Diagram.

### 3.6.4 Bus communication

Overview of address and control signals to use this board:

1. Address the board
2. Receive data from input

#### 3.6.4.1 Addressing a board

Please look at section 3.5.4.1 on page 45.

#### Input functions to a board

#### 3.6.4.2 Input functions to a board

**Description of signals** The tables below are based on TTL-level inputs:

**Step** The column tells the step in the routine.

**Board Select State** This column tells if the board is selected or not.

**AD bus direction** Which way is data supposed to flow.

**AD bus data** What is on the AD bus.

**Input Function Enable** Signal from the Z8 to active the board input function, typically a latch.

Input functions to a board				
Step	Board Selected State	AD bus direction	AD bus Data	Input Function Enable
1	True	From Z8	Don't care	0
2	True	To Z8	Data from input latch	1
3	True	From Z8	Don't care	0

Table 3.6: Input functions to a board

**Explanation** When the board receives an Input Function Enable, the board enables the latch and sends the data back to the Z8 microcontroller. Before the Input Function Enable is sent, the Z8 microcontroller turns the bus from output mode to input mode. After the Input Function Enable, the Z8 turns the bus back again to output mode. This is hard coded in the Z8 software to prevent the board bus output and the Z8 microcontroller output to transmit at the same time.

### 3.6.5 Calculations

#### 3.6.5.1 8 bit comparator input

See calculations in section 3.5.5.1 on page 48.

#### 3.6.5.2 Opto coupler output

$$I_F = 10mA \quad (3.11)$$

$$I_C = 2.5mA \quad (3.12)$$

$$V_{CE(sat)} = 0.4V \quad (3.13)$$

$$U_{R_C} = 4.6V \quad (3.14)$$

$$R_C = \frac{U_{R_C}}{I_C} = \frac{4.6}{10m} = 460\Omega \quad (3.15)$$

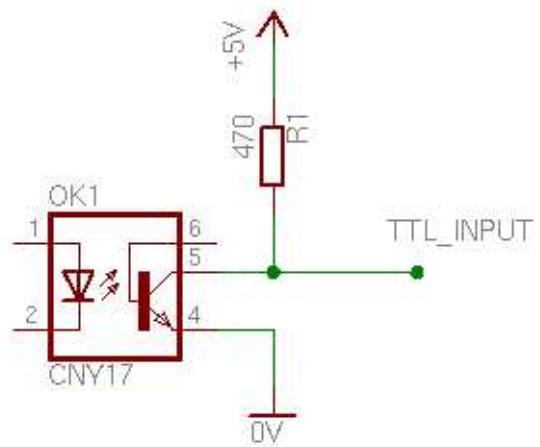


Figure 3.17: Opto coupler output

### 3.6.5.3 Opto coupler input

$$I_F = 10mA \quad (3.16)$$

$$V_F = 1, 15V \quad (3.17)$$

$$U_{in} = 2.0V \quad (3.18)$$

$$U_{R1} = U_{in} - V_F = 2.0 - 1.15 = 0.85V \quad (3.19)$$

$$R1 = \frac{U_{R1}}{I_F} = \frac{0.85}{10m} = 85\Omega \quad (3.20)$$

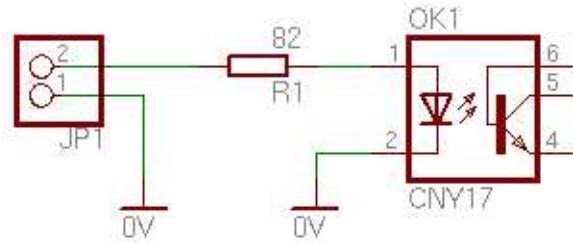


Figure 3.18: Opto coupler input

### 3.6.5.4 Darlington output

See calculations section 3.4.5.1 on page 39.

### 3.6.6 Schematics

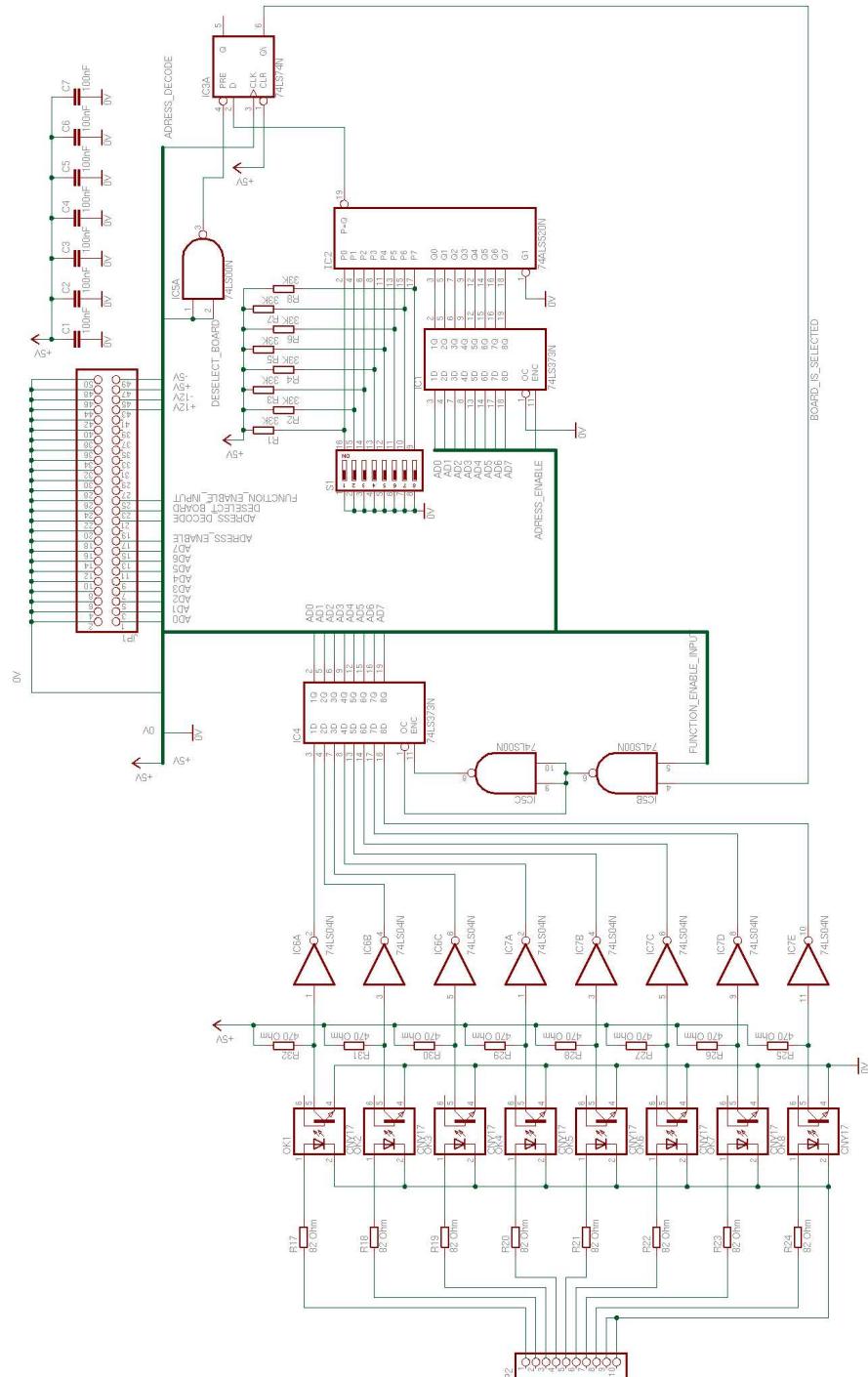


Figure 3.19: Digital Input Board schematic.

### 3.6.7 Partlist

#### Partlist

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Part	Value	Device	Package	Library	Sheet
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C2	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
C3	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
C4	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
C5	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
C6	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
C7	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
IC1	74LS373N	74LS373N	DIL20	74xx-us	1
IC2	74ALS520N	74ALS520N	DIL20	74xx-eu	1
IC3	74LS74N	74LS74N	DIL14	74xx-us	1
IC4	74LS373N	74LS373N	DIL20	74xx-us	1
IC5	74LS00N	74LS00N	DIL14	74xx-us	1
IC6	74LS04N	74LS04N	DIL14	74xx-eu	1
IC7	74LS04N	74LS04N	DIL14	74xx-eu	1
JP1	PINHD-2X25	2X25		pinhead	1
JP2	PINHD-1X10	1X10		pinhead	1
OK1	CNY17	CNY17	DIL06	optocoupler	1
OK2	CNY17	CNY17	DIL06	optocoupler	1
OK3	CNY17	CNY17	DIL06	optocoupler	1
OK4	CNY17	CNY17	DIL06	optocoupler	1
OK5	CNY17	CNY17	DIL06	optocoupler	1
OK6	CNY17	CNY17	DIL06	optocoupler	1
OK7	CNY17	CNY17	DIL06	optocoupler	1
OK8	CNY17	CNY17	DIL06	optocoupler	1
R1	33K	R-EU_0207/10	0207/10	rcl	1
R2	33K	R-EU_0207/10	0207/10	rcl	1
R3	33K	R-EU_0207/10	0207/10	rcl	1
R4	33K	R-EU_0207/10	0207/10	rcl	1
R5	33K	R-EU_0207/10	0207/10	rcl	1
R6	33K	R-EU_0207/10	0207/10	rcl	1
R7	33K	R-EU_0207/10	0207/10	rcl	1
R8	33K	R-EU_0207/10	0207/10	rcl	1
R17	82 Ohm	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R18	82 Ohm	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R19	82 Ohm	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R20	82 Ohm	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R21	82 Ohm	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R22	82 Ohm	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R23	82 Ohm	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R24	82 Ohm	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R25	470 Ohm	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R26	470 Ohm	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R27	470 Ohm	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R28	470 Ohm	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1

R29	470 0hm	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R30	470 0hm	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R31	470 0hm	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
R32	470 0hm	R-EU_0204/2V	0204V	rcl	1
S1		DA08	DA-08	switch-dil	1

### 3.6.8 Test procedure

Procedure:

1. Measure resistance between ground and all the signals and voltage inputs.  
Resistance should be infinite.
2. Do a visual inspection and look for shorts in the wires and soldering work.
3. Connect the board to the bus system.
4. Connect the board inputs to an 8 bit signal source.
5. Run the GUI and observe the inputs in GUI window and compare the result with the signal input.

**Conclusion:** The board is working as planned.

## 3.7 Analog Output Board

### 3.7.1 Purpose

The purpose of this board is to generate an analog voltage through a 8 bit DAC. The byte is received from the Z8 microcontroller in a latch, and used as input in the DAC.

### 3.7.2 Photo

This is the Analog Output Board.

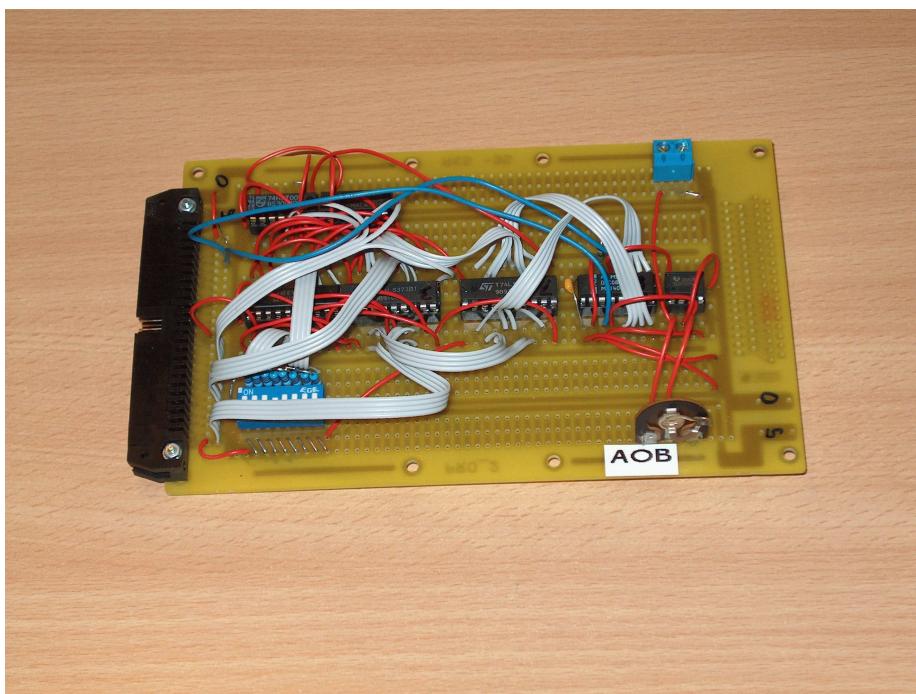


Figure 3.20: Analog Output Board Photo.

### 3.7.3 Block diagram

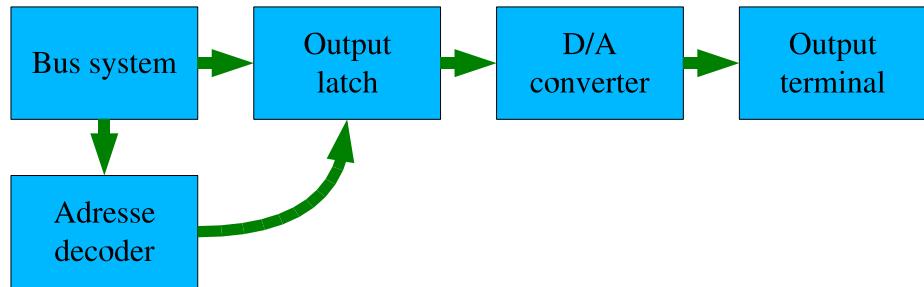


Figure 3.21: Analog Output Board block diagram.

### 3.7.4 Bus communication

Overview of address and control signals to use this board:

1. Address the board
2. Send data to output

#### 3.7.4.1 Addressing a board

Please look at section 3.5.4.1 on page 45.

#### 3.7.4.2 Output functions to a board

Please look at section 3.5.4.2 on page 47.

### 3.7.5 Calculations

#### 3.7.5.1 8 bit comparator input

See calculations in section 3.5.5.1 on page 48.

#### 3.7.5.2 Digital to analog converter

R1 and R2 are based on values set in the Application Note. The Application Note suggests the resistor value to be  $5K\Omega$ , low tolerance. The value of R1 is  $4.7K\Omega$  and R2 is  $1K\Omega$ . R1 is a trim. pot. because the value can not be easily calculated.

Look at page 62 for calibration procedure.

Each resistor is a part in a current loop.

### 3.7.6 Schematics

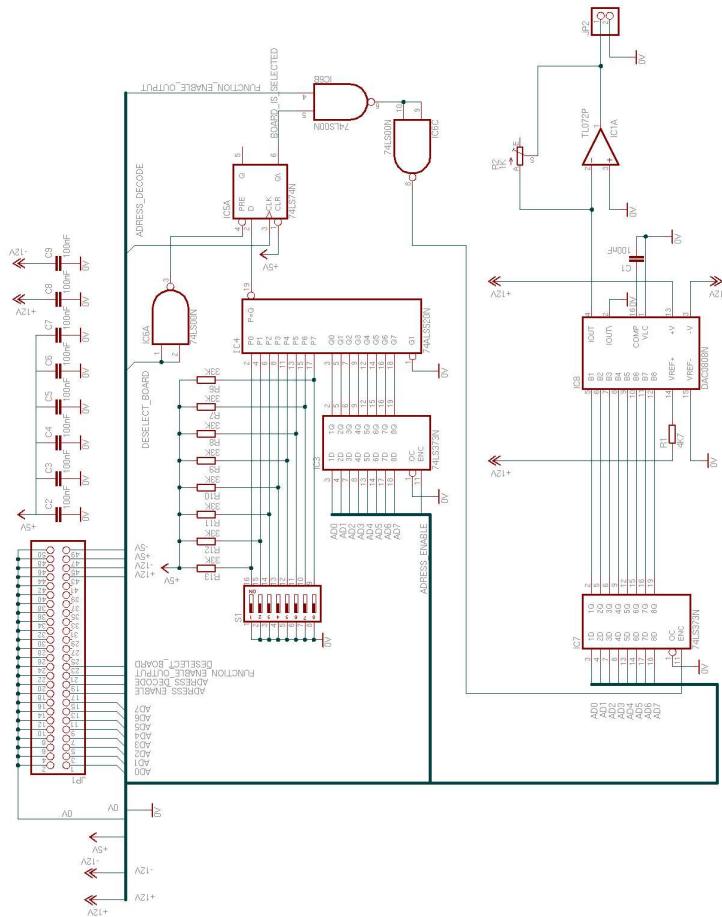


Figure 3.22: Analog Output Board schematic.

### 3.7.7 Partlist

#### Partlist

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Part	Value	Device	Package	Library	Sheet
C1	100nF	C-EU050-024X044	C050-024X044	rcl	1
C2	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
C3	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1

C4	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
C5	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
C6	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
C7	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
C8	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
C9	100nF	C-EU025-024X044	C025-024X044	rcl	1
IC1	TL072P	TL072P	DIL08	linear	1
IC3	74LS373N	74LS373N	DIL20	74xx-us	1
IC4	74ALS520N	74ALS520N	DIL20	74xx-eu	1
IC5	74LS74N	74LS74N	DIL14	74xx-eu	1
IC6	74LS00N	74LS00N	DIL14	74xx-us	1
IC7	74LS373N	74LS373N	DIL20	74xx-us	1
IC8	DAC0808N	DAC0800N	DIL16	linear	1
JP1		PINHD-2X25	2X25	pinhead	1
JP2		PINHD-1X2	1X02	pinhead	1
R1	4K7	R-EU_0204/7	0204/7	rcl	1
R2	1K	TRIM_EU-B25P	B25P	pot	1
R6	33K	R-EU_0204/7	0204/7	rcl	1
R7	33K	R-EU_0204/7	0204/7	rcl	1
R8	33K	R-EU_0204/7	0204/7	rcl	1
R9	33K	R-EU_0204/7	0204/7	rcl	1
R10	33K	R-EU_0204/7	0204/7	rcl	1
R11	33K	R-EU_0204/7	0204/7	rcl	1
R12	33K	R-EU_0204/7	0204/7	rcl	1
R13	33K	R-EU_0204/7	0204/7	rcl	1
S1		DA08	DA-08	switch-dil	1

### 3.7.8 Calibration procedures

To calibrate the output, send hex value "ff" to the board, and adjust the output voltage output to 2 V by trimming R2.

### 3.7.9 Test procedures

Procedure:

1. Measure resistance between ground and all the signals and voltage inputs. Resistance should be infinite.
2. Do a visual inspection and look for shorts in the wires and soldering work.
3. Connect the board to the bus system.
4. Run the GUI program and test the board output with a voltmeter and match value with the voltage set in the GUI.
5. Observe the LED array for bus activity.

**Conclusion:** The board is working as planned.

## 3.8 Analog Input Board

### 3.8.1 Purpose

The purpose of this board is to connect an analog input pin on the Z8 to the Analog Input Board terminal through a surge protection.

The Z8 microcontroller performs an ADC operation on the analog voltage and returns the result to the PC.

### 3.8.2 Photo

This is the Analog Input Board.

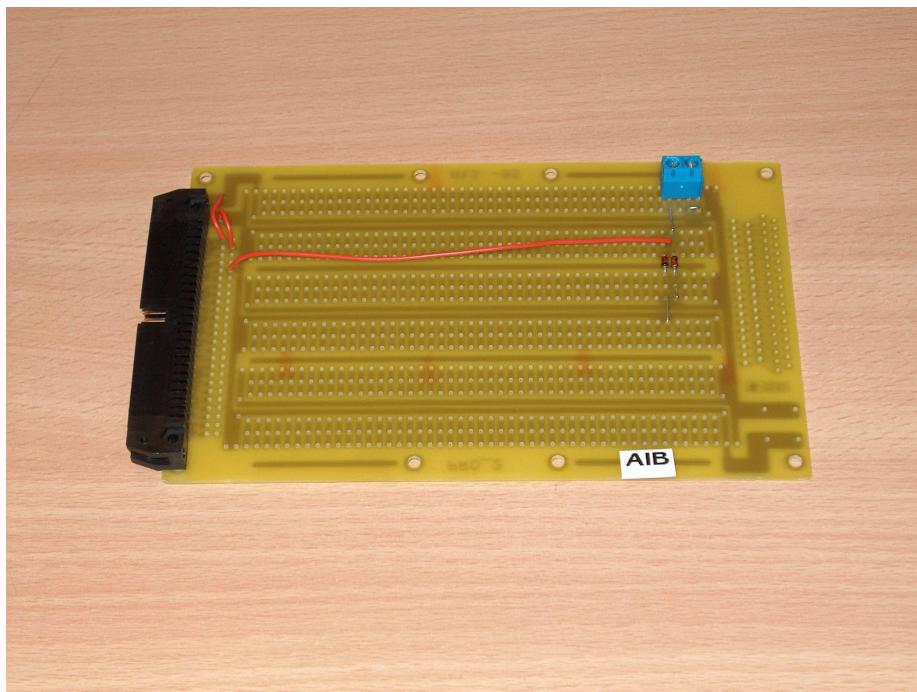


Figure 3.23: Analog Input Board Photo.

### 3.8.3 Block diagram



Figure 3.24: Analog Input Board block diagram.

### 3.8.4 Bus communication

This board does not perform any signal processing.

### 3.8.5 Calculations

No calculations is made for this board.

### 3.8.6 Schematics

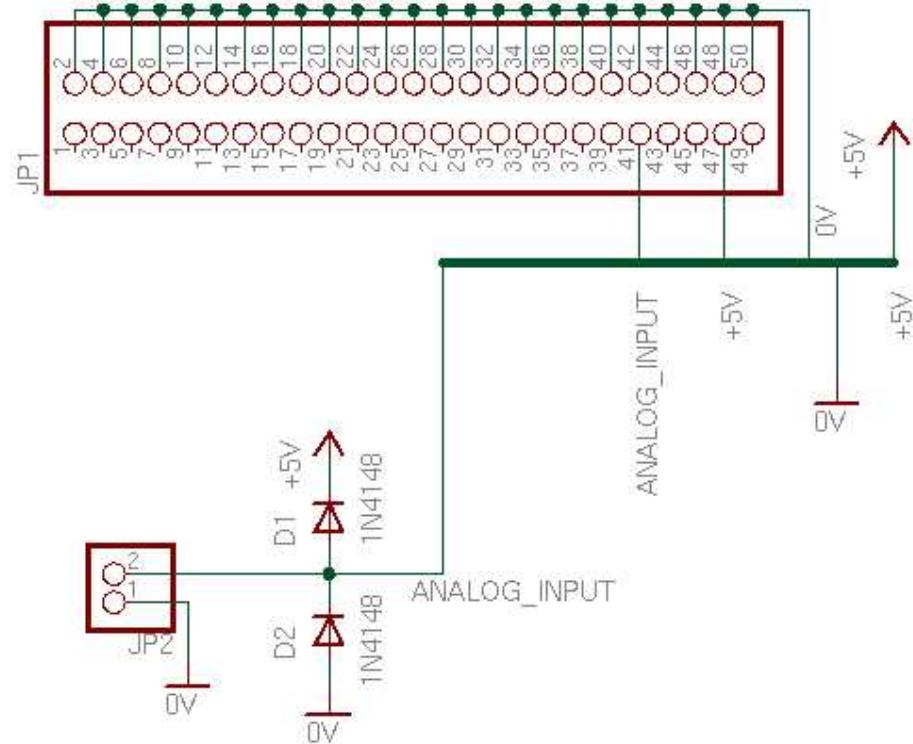


Figure 3.25: Analog Input Board schematic.

### 3.8.7 Partlist

Partlist

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Part	Value	Device	Package	Library	Sheet
D1	1N4148	1N4148	D035-10	diode	1
D2	1N4148	1N4148	D035-10	diode	1
JP1		PINHD-2X25	2X25	pinhead	1
JP2		PINHD-1X2	1X02	pinhead	1

### 3.8.8 Test procedures

Procedure:

1. Measure resistance between ground and all the signals and voltage inputs.  
Resistance should be infinite.
2. Do a visual inspection and look for shorts in the wires and soldering work.
3. Connect the board to the bus system.
4. Run the GUI program and test the board with a voltage on the input and match value with the voltage read in the GUI.

**Conclusion:** The board is working as planned.



## Chapter 4

# Software Block/Module description

## 4.1 Overview

The Rapier software is divided into three parts:

1. GUI on a PC.
2. Embedded code in a microcontroller.
3. Protocol for instructions.

It is important to understand the relationship between the software parts and the hardware parts. Look at this illustration of the relationship.

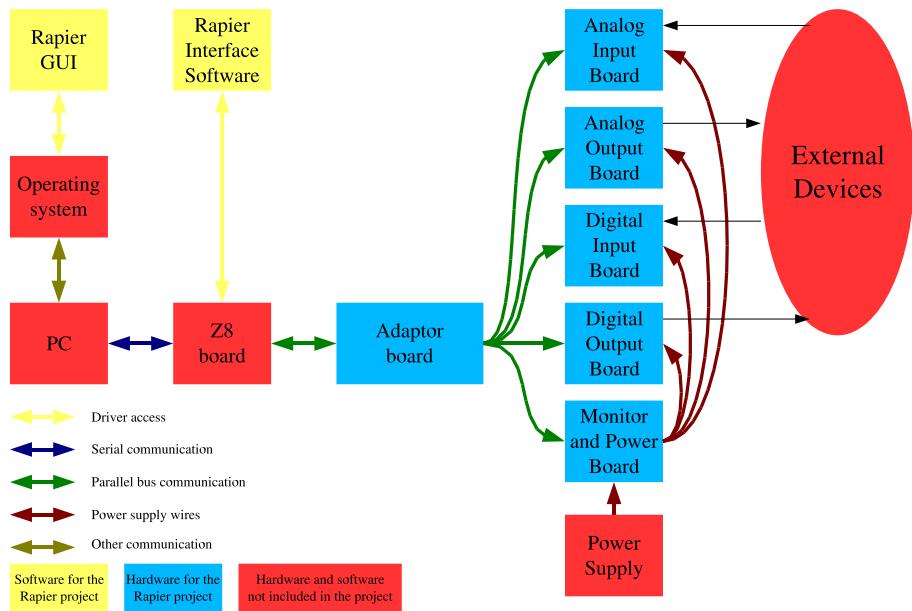


Figure 4.1: Hardware and software block diagram.

**Explanation** The different colors used in this illustration signifies its type and relation to the project:

Yellow boxes are software components written for this project.

Red boxes are software and hardware components used, but not designed or build for this project.

Blue boxes are hardware components designed and build for this project.

Yellow arrow are software accessing hardware in a process described in this project.

Brown arrow are communication not described in this project.

Blue arrow are serial communication RS232. This protocol is not described in the project.

Green arrows are parallel communication described in this project.

Red arrows are power supply to the hardware in this project.

#### 4.1.1 Rapier software communication

The next illustration shows the path between the two parts through which they communicate.

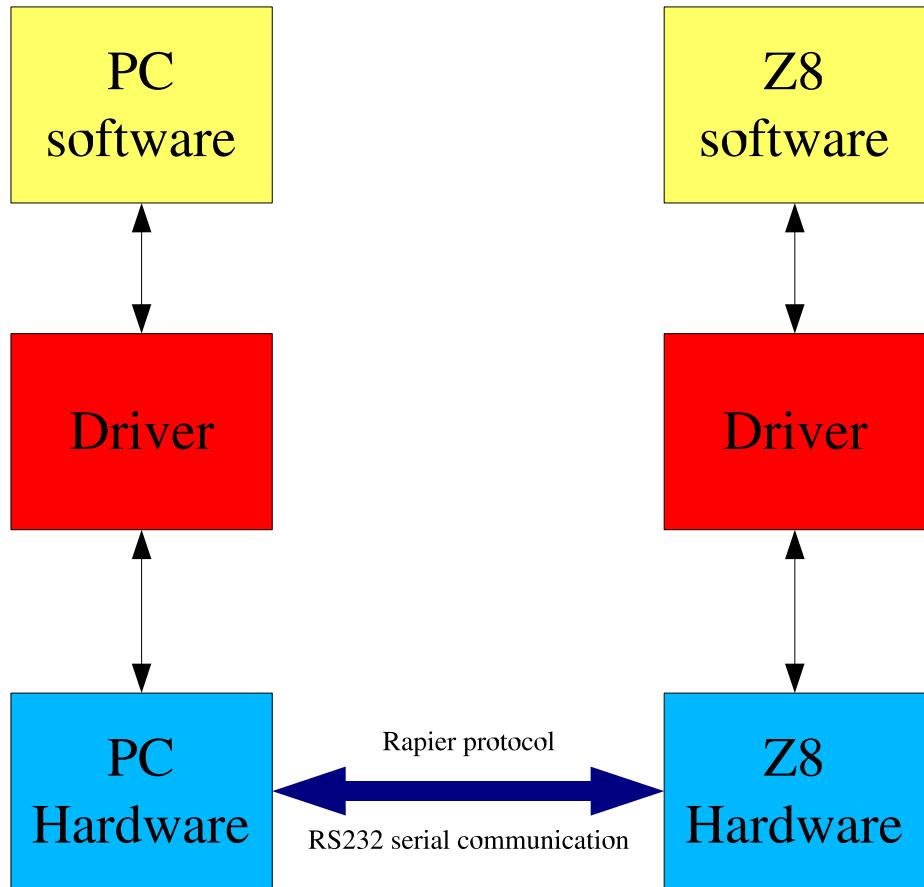


Figure 4.2: Rapier software communication diagram.

#### 4.1.2 Rapier command path

To understand the way instructions flow in the system look at the illustration below:

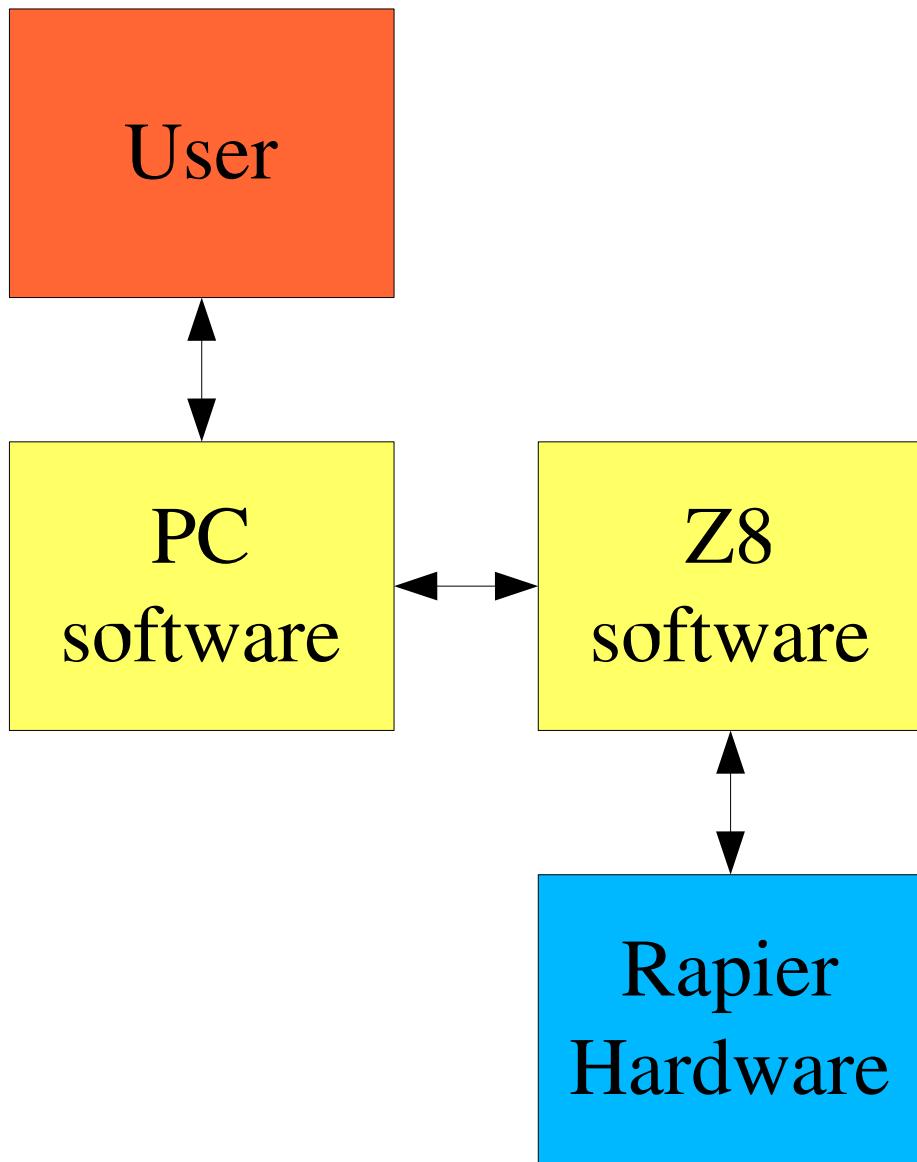


Figure 4.3: Rapier command path diagram.

## 4.2 Rapier Protocol

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### 4.2.1 Overview

This protocol is designed to be as simple, yet flexible to use. The protocol meets the following criteria:

1. Easy to distinguish between data and instruction.
2. Easy to emulate the GUI through a terminal program like Hyperterminal in Windows or Minicom in Linux.

With these criteria in mind, it was decided to split data bytes up into 2 nibbles by using hex numbers (0-9 and a-f). The rest of the letters and/or ASCII<sup>1</sup> characters could be used as instructions. But the primary concern was that each instruction and/or data should be reproduced from a terminal application for testing and development purpose.

### 4.2.2 Data

Data is normally organized in bytes. But since it is next to impossible to enter or display every ASCII character in a terminal program in a way that makes sense, this method of using data in sizes of bytes is not easy applicable. But if the data is split up in nibbles or in hex values, it will make more sense in a terminal program.

The data is then represented as hex numbers 0-9 or a-f. The downside is that a byte has grown to 2 hex numbers in characters which means 2 ASCII characters or 2 bytes. But it make it possible to enter and display in a terminal program in Windows or Linux.

### 4.2.3 Instructions

The characters left for instructions are the rest of the ASCII table. Only 4 of them are used in the Z8 code. Instructions are only 1 byte long, but could easily be longer if the need should arise in the future. The Z8 code would have to be considerably expanded for that use.

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<sup>1</sup>In computing, a protocol is a convention or standard that controls or enables the connection, communication, and data transfer between two computing endpoints. Protocols may be implemented by hardware, software, or a combination of the two.

<sup>2</sup>ASCII (American Standard Code for Information Interchange), generally pronounced 'aski', is a character set and a character encoding based on the Roman alphabet as used in modern English and other Western European languages.

#### 4.2.4 Protocol in use

The protocol in use in this project is shown in the following table:

Protocol in use	
ASCII character	Description
0	Value 0
1	Value 1
2	Value 2
3	Value 3
4	Value 4
5	Value 5
6	Value 6
7	Value 7
8	Value 8
9	Value 9
a	Value 10
b	Value 11
c	Value 12
d	Value 13
e	Value 14
f	Value 15
k	AD conversion
s	Addressing operation
i	Input operation
o	Output operation
x	Operation completed

Table 4.1: Protocol in use

#### 4.2.5 Sending instructions or data

Instruction and/or data are combined in the following ways:

k = is a stand alone instruction.

s = is followed by an address in hex format.

i = returns the result in hex format.

o = is followed by a data byte in hex format.

All replies from the Z8 is followed by a "x" and a \n(newline) as an "end of message" character to tell the PC that this was the end of the transmission. The \n is appended in order for the terminal program to understand that a transmission is ended. This \n is easily disregarded in the GetInput() in the GUI software.

If the Z8 does not receive one of the 4 characters, it just restarts the "while loop" and sends \n back to the PC.

#### 4.2.5.1 Example 1

In this example the user clicks on the "Update Input Voltage" on the GUI window.

- The GUI sends a "k" to the Z8.
- The Z8 performs an AD conversion and prepares the result. For example the hex value "4a".
- The Z8 appends a "x" and a \n to the result.
- The Z8 sends the result: "4ax\n"
- The GUI evaluates and calculates the result and display it in the GUI window.
- The GUI appends the result string in the communication log in the GUI window.

#### 4.2.5.2 Example 2

In this example the user enters a new value in the "Output Voltage" on the GUI window. Let the new voltage has the hex value "c2" and the board id is 02.

- The GUI sends fx. a "s02oc2" to the Z8.
- The Z8 decodes the address in "s02" and sends "x\n" in reply.
- The Z8 decodes the data to the output board in "0c2" and sends "x\n" in reply.
- The Z8 outputs the data "c2" to the Analog Output Board.
- The GUI appends the "x" received twice in the communication log in the GUI window.

#### 4.2.5.3 Example 3

In this example the user clicks on the "Update Digital Input" on the GUI window. Let the board id be 04 and the result be 81.

- The GUI sends fx. a "s04i" to the Z8.
- The Z8 decodes the address in "s04" and sends "x\n" in reply.
- The Z8 decodes the instruction and fetch the data from the input board and sends "81x\n" in reply.

- The GUI evaluates the result and display it in the GUI window with the first and last radiobutton set according the value 81 in binary: 10000001.
- The GUI appends the received string "81x" in the communication log in the GUI window.

### 4.3 GUI software

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The GUI is written in C++ and uses the QT graphical library. This gives a window which is looking like all other windows in Linux running the KDE window manager.

To fully understand the GUI software, it is important to know that the GUI is event-driven based on user input. It does nothing on its own. Every time a graphical widget is clicked or interacted with, it emits a "signal". These signals are connected to "slots"<sup>4</sup>. A slot is a kind of functions. A widget can generate more than one signal, and many widgets can connect to a single slot.

The way a GUI is developed in C++ and QT, is by first drawing the window with all its widgets(ie buttons, text boxes, spinboxes etc), and later fill in the C++ code to make the slots do something.

This is an overview of the GUI:

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<sup>3</sup>A graphical user interface (or GUI, pronounced "gooey") is a method of interacting with a computer through a metaphor of direct manipulation of graphical images and widgets in addition to text.

<sup>4</sup>Signals and slots are used for communication between objects. The signal/slot mechanism is a central feature of Qt and probably the part that differs most from other toolkits.

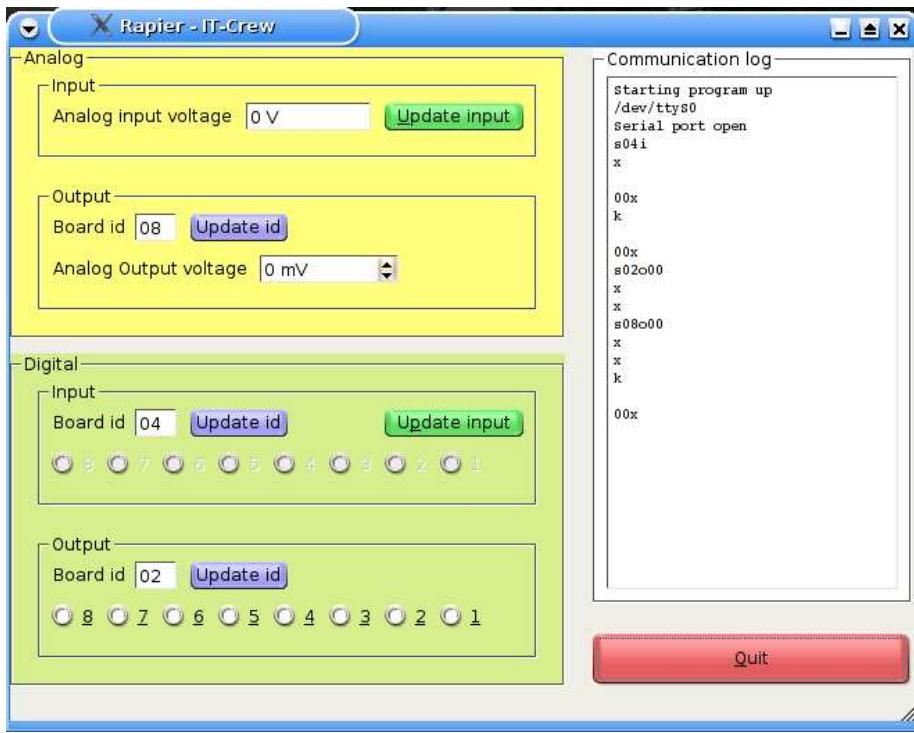


Figure 4.4: Rapier GUI.

For a detailed description of how to use the GUI or understand its layout, please read the users manual starting on page 113.

#### 4.3.1 Main

Nothing exists without a main function. From "main" is the graphical part started up.

#### 4.3.2 Slots

There are 11 slots in the GUI, 8 of them receiving signals from several widgets in the GUI.

The slots can be divided into the following groups:

- Slots responsible for serial port handling.
- Slots responsible for interaction with the user, sending instructions to the Rapier hardware and receiving/interpretate the results and present it in the GUI.

#### 4.3.2.1 Port handling

The serial port on a Linux computer is handled almost the same way as a file. Everything in a Linux/Unix computer system is files. Even directories are files. All hardware devices are files, the kernel loaded in the RAM is a file. This means that it's the same method you use to access everything in the computer, but with small modifications. When you open a serial port, typically called /dev/ttyS0, you also set up speed and other properties related to serial communication. That part is hard coded into the GUI.

The 4 slots/functions responsible for handling the serial port are:

1. OpenPort()
2. Closeport()
3. WritePort()
4. ReadPort()

#### 4.3.2.2 User interface

The slots responsible for interaction with the user and responsible for sending instructions conforming to protocol:

1. GetInput()
2. UpdateAnalogInput()
3. UpdateAnalogOutput()
4. UpdateDigitalInput()
5. UpdateDigitalOutput()

#### 4.3.2.3 Operating system specific functions

These slots are essential to the operating system.

1. init()
2. destroy()

#### 4.3.2.4 Connections

The relationship between widgets sending signals to various slots/functions is shown below.

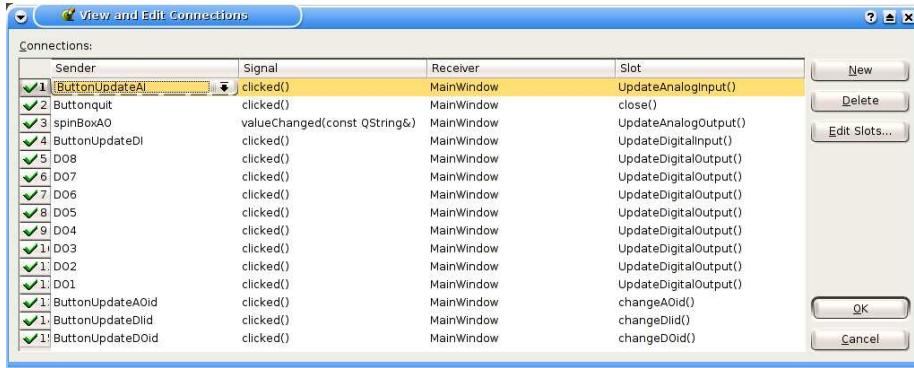


Figure 4.5: Rapier GUI connections.

### 4.3.3 Examples of use

#### 4.3.3.1 Updating a board id

If the user wants to update a board id, the user enters the new board id into the relevant field and clicks on "update board id". For example:

Figure 4.6: Updating board id.

The GUI program reacts to the change by doing this:

1. When the button is clicked it emits a signal to a slot.
2. The slot, which is a function, executes by saving the new board id in a string format in a global variable for later use.

#### 4.3.3.2 Changing the output voltage

If the user wants to update the analog output board voltage, the user either enters a voltage in numbers or clicks on the up arrow or down arrow on the spinbox. For example:

Figure 4.7: Updating output voltage.

The GUI program reacts to the change by doing this:

1. On change of value, the widget emits a signal to UpdateAnalogOutput().
2. This slot/function builds up a string based on board id and the value in the changed widget.
3. UpdateAnalogOutput() sends the string by calling GetInput().

#### 4.3.3.3 Updating the input voltage

If the user wants to update the analog input board voltage, the user clicks update input button. For example:

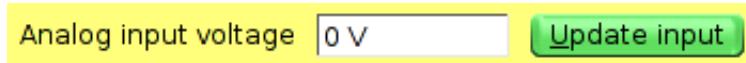


Figure 4.8: Updating input voltage.

The GUI program reacts to the click by doing this:

1. The widget emits a signal to the UpdateAnalogInput() slot.
2. UpdateAnalogInput() sends a string to the Z8 hardware by calling GetInput().
3. GetInput returns the result from the Z8 hardware.
4. UpdateAnalogInput() converts the returned string into a float.
5. UpdateAnalogInput() presents the new value in the GUI (the picture above).

## 4.4 Z8 software

### 4.4.1 Overview

The Z8 code is much simpler than the GUI code. The code performs a simple task of listening to the serial port, evaluate the serial inputs, sending instructions to the Rapier hardware, and returning the result to the PC.

This illustration describes the flow of the Z8 code:

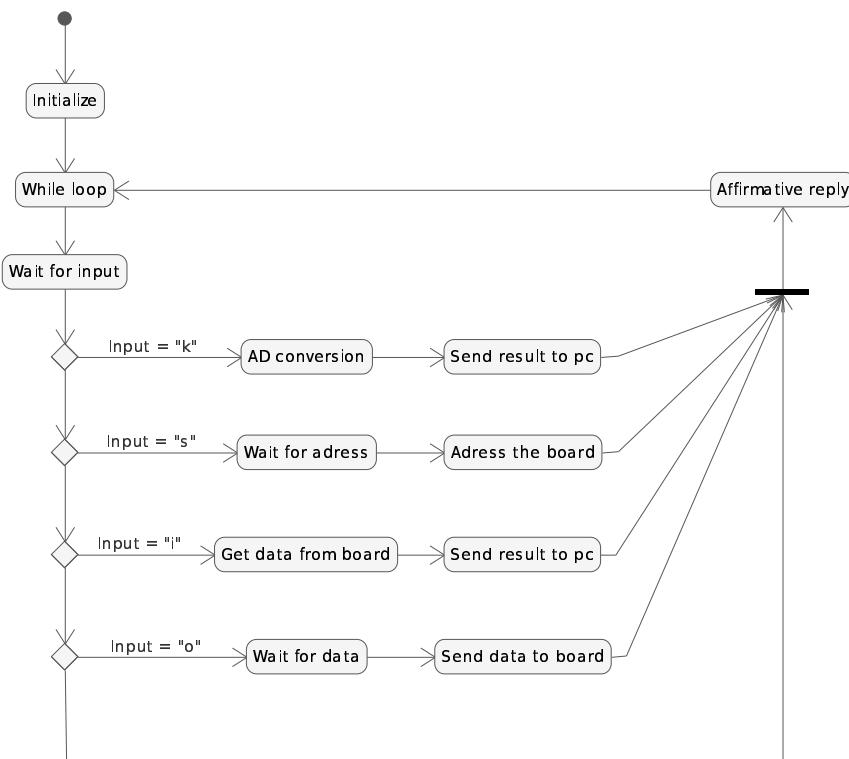


Figure 4.9: Z8 code overview.

This flow diagram describes the main.c, but this will be described in more details in another chapter.

The code is separated into 2 parts:

main.c which takes care of the overall purpose of the Z8 code.

driver.c which takes care of communication with the Rapier hardware.

#### 4.4.2 main.c

main.c is the main function responsible for the overall functionality of the Z8. It runs in an endless while-loop. In each loop the main() listens for input on the serial port and performs different tasks depending of the received characters.

The main function can 4 different actions:

1. Receiving a "k", the Z8 performs an AD conversion and sends the result to the PC.
2. Receiving a "s", the Z8 waits for 2 bytes long address and performs an addressing operation.
3. Receiving a "i", the Z8 performs an input operation from a board and sends the result to the PC.
4. Receiving a "o", the Z8 waits for 2 bytes long data and performs an output operation to a board.

If the Z8 receives a character other than the 4 mentioned above, it exits its current operation and restarts the while-loop.

#### 4.4.3 driver.c

Driver.c is the file with all low level functions concerning the functionality of the Rapier Hardware.

The functions are grouped into categories:

- Low level functions.
- Mid level functions.
- High level functions.

The three levels are described on the next pages.

#### 4.4.3.1 Low level functions

These functions are directly responsible for ADC operations in the Z8, putting data on the Z8 port, which include the AD bus and the Control bus.

Low level functions	
Function	Description
void adbusoutput(char c)	Sets the AD bus with a byte value.
void adress_enable_on()	Sets the Address Enable high.
void adress_enable_off()	Sets the Address Enable low.
void adress_decode_on()	Sets the Address Decode high.
void adress_decode_off()	Sets the Address Decode low.
void output_function_enable_on()	Sets the Output Function Enable high.
void output_function_enable_off()	Sets the Output Function Enable low.
void input_function_enable_on()	Sets the Input Function Enable high.
void input_function_enable_off()	Sets the Input Function Enable low.
void deselect_board_on()	Sets the Deselect Board high.
void deselect_board_off()	Sets the Deselect Board low.
void setadcinputs()	Sets up the ADC.
void setadbustoinput()	Sets the AD bus to input mode.
void setadbustooutput()	Sets the AD bus to output mode.
void bussetup()	Sets up Z8 ports E and G for use.

Table 4.2: Low level functions

**4.4.3.2 Mid level functions**

These functions calls the low level functions in organized routines to handle all the instructions described in the Rapier protocol.

The functions are:

Mid level functions	
Function	Description
void addressingboard(char id)	Addresses a board with the id argument.
void byteout(char data)	Sends the data to the selected boards.
char bytein()	Receives a byte from selected board.
char singleadconverting()	Performs a single AD conversion.

Table 4.3: Mid level functions

#### 4.4.3.3 High level functions

The high level functions was only used during development.

High level functions	
Function	Description
void dob(char id, char data)	Performs a full addressing and output to a Digital Output Board.
char dib(char id)	Performs a full addressing and input to a Digital Input Board.
void aob(char id, char data)	Performs a full addressing and output to a Analog Output Board. This function is basicelly the same as the dob() function but the name was kept for name sake.
char aib( )	Performs an AD conversion like the mid level function singleadconverting( ), but is kept for future use when more analog inputs is added.

Table 4.4: High level functions

For a more detailed description of the functions, look into the appendix on page 129

## 4.5 Project file management

For this project, there was a need for a tool to manage all the files with schematics, diagrams, photos, latex files.

The program requires Bash<sup>5</sup> and dialog<sup>6</sup>.

This kind of user interface was chosen because for this kind of system administrative jobs, a graphical interface is not needed. A text interface/command line interface is often faster to work with than working with a mouse. A program based on a script rather than a compiled executable program is more flexible when it comes to day to day editing and addition of new functionality.

The design philosophy was to automate as many tasks as possible since many of the tasks takes a lot of time. For daily use, the program is started and left alone for about 20 minutes and after that everything is updated in the documentation and the homepage.

### 4.5.1 Example 1 - a schematic is updated

If a schematic is updated, the user saves the schematic as a bitmap pictures in EPS format and updates the partlist. The management program copies the partlist into the documentation and converts the bitmap picture into EPS for the documentation and JPG for the homepage and places all the new files in the right places.

When uploading the documentation and homepage, only the files changed is uploaded to save time and network load.

### 4.5.2 Example 2 - a html file is updated

If a html/php file is updated, the management program uploads only the changed files.

### 4.5.3 Functionality

On the next page is a short review of the functionality of the program.

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<sup>5</sup>Bash is a UNIX command shell written for the GNU project. Its name is an acronym for Bourne-again shell - a pun on the Bourne shell (sh), which was an early, important UNIX shell.

<sup>6</sup>Dialog is a program that will let you to present a variety of questions or display messages using dialog boxes from a shell script.

Rapierproject menu and functions	
Menu item	Description
Change upload target	To either sourceforge.net or local.
Everything	Do everything. Takes a very long time.
DocumentationUploadBackup	Updates documentation, upload documentation, backup everything.
Illustrations	Update all illustrations.
Illustrations->Photos	Update photos into docs and html.
Illustrations->Schematics	Update schematics into docs and html.
Illustrations->CircuitDescriptions	Update circuit description schematics into docs
Illustrations->Calculations	Update Calculation Illustrations into docs.
Illustrations->BlockDiagrams	Update Block Diagrams into docs.
Documentation	All jobs on documentation.
Documentation->Partlists	Copy partlists into documentation(latex).
Documentation->Tar Latex	Creates a tar ball of latex.
Documentation->Latex	Compile Latex.
Documentation->DVI->PDF	Compile latex to PDF.
Documentation->Online	Build Online Documentation from PDF.
Documentation->Z8Code	Updating Z8 code documentation
Documentation->GUIDe	Updating GUI code documentation
SourceCode	All jobs on Source Code.
SourceCode->Z8	Z8 Source Code.
SourceCode->GUI	GUI Source Code.
Tools	All jobs on tools.
Tools->Rapierproject	Collects Rapier Project software
Tools->itctools	Collects itctools software
Tools->LatexTools	Collects latex tools software
Upload	All upload jobs.
Upload->HTML	Upload html to sourceforge.net.
Upload->Online Documentation	Upload Online Documentation to sourceforge.net.
Upload->Latex Documentation	Upload Latex Documentation to sourceforge.net.
Upload->PDF Documentation	Upload PDF Documentation to sourceforge.net.
Upload->Tools	Upload tools to sourceforge.net.
Upload->SourceCode	Upload Source Code to sourceforge.net.
Upload->ApplicationNotes	Upload Application Notes to sourceforge.net.
Backup	All backup jobs.
Backup->Software	Backup all software.
Backup->Source Forge	Backup Source Forge.
Backup->Documentation	Backup Documentation.
Backup->Hardware	Backup Hardware.
Backup->Management	Backup Management.
Backup->Tools	Backup Tools.

Table 4.5: Ports and busses

#### 4.5.4 The interface

This is the console/text based interface. The program is operated by using the keyboard.

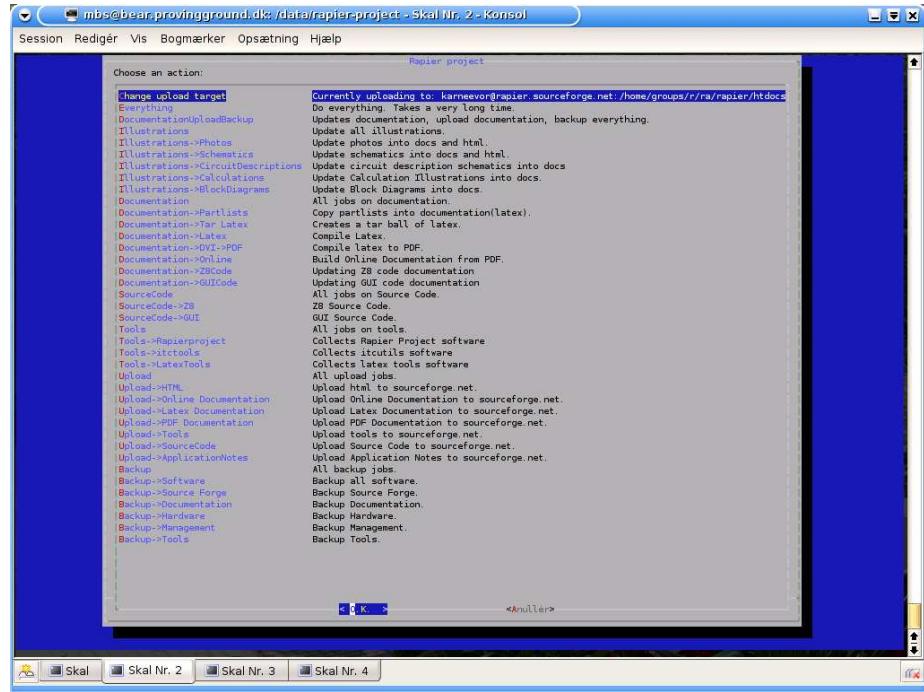


Figure 4.10: Rapier project file management system.

#### 4.5.5 Source code

Turn to page 153 to see the source code.

# Chapter 5

## System integration

### 5.1 Development

#### 5.1.1 Resources of help

Help was found in application notes, in the many advice's from my tutor, on SSLUG<sup>1</sup> email list for Linux programming and countless searches in Google.

#### 5.1.2 Project files management

During the early stages of the development, the need for a project file management system became obvious. For the endless updates of files which should be copied into the documentation and homepage, daily backups and uploads to the web server through scp<sup>2</sup>, a program was needed to do those tasks without user intervention, entering password and not uploading unchanged files.

All this led to the programming of the program named rapierproject. But it can easily be adapted to another project for later use. This program has saved a lot of time and worrying of relevant file update. The program was written in bash shell script.<sup>3</sup>

#### 5.1.3 Software tools

Many programs was used in the development of this project:

**Z8 Encore** is the Integrated Delevopment Environment running in Windows.

**Kile** for writting this documentation.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>Skåne Sjælland Linux User Group

<sup>2</sup>secure copy based on secure shell(ssh)

<sup>3</sup>BASH shell script are a language used in Linux, Unix and Mac OS X.

<sup>4</sup>Kile is a L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X 2<sub>ε</sub>front-end.

**Eagle** for drawing all electronic schematics.

**QT-designer** for designing the GUI.

**GCC** for compiling the GUI code.

**Itctools** which was once written. Used for backup and RSA key distribution.

**Rapierproject** for managing the project files.

**OpenOffice.org** an office suite used for drawing illustrations.

**Planner** for project management.

**Firefox** browser for searching on Google.

**Thunderbird** email client for the SSLUG mailing list.

**Umbrello** for UML illustrations.

**Countless utilities** for small tasks on my Linux laptop.

## 5.2 Connecting the hardware

Follow this procedure to connect the hardware:

- Put the Adaptor Board on the Z8 evaluation board.
- Stack up the boards. Preferable with the Monitor and Power board on top.
- Connect the flat cable to the stack of boards.
- Connect the flat cable to the Adaptor Board.
- Connect the serial cable to the Z8 evaluation board and the PC.
- Connect the power cable to the Monitoring and Power Board and the external power supplies.
- Connect the power adaptor to the Z8 evaluation board.
- Turn on power to all devices.
- When the PC has finished booting start up the Rapier GUI.
- Connect the relevant board to relevant input signals generators/simulators, or connect the analog output to the analog input and the 8 digital outputs to the 8 digital inputs.
- The system is ready for use.

The following tests are based on the premise that all the outputs are looped back to the inputs in a sort of self diagnostic mode. Look at the picture below.

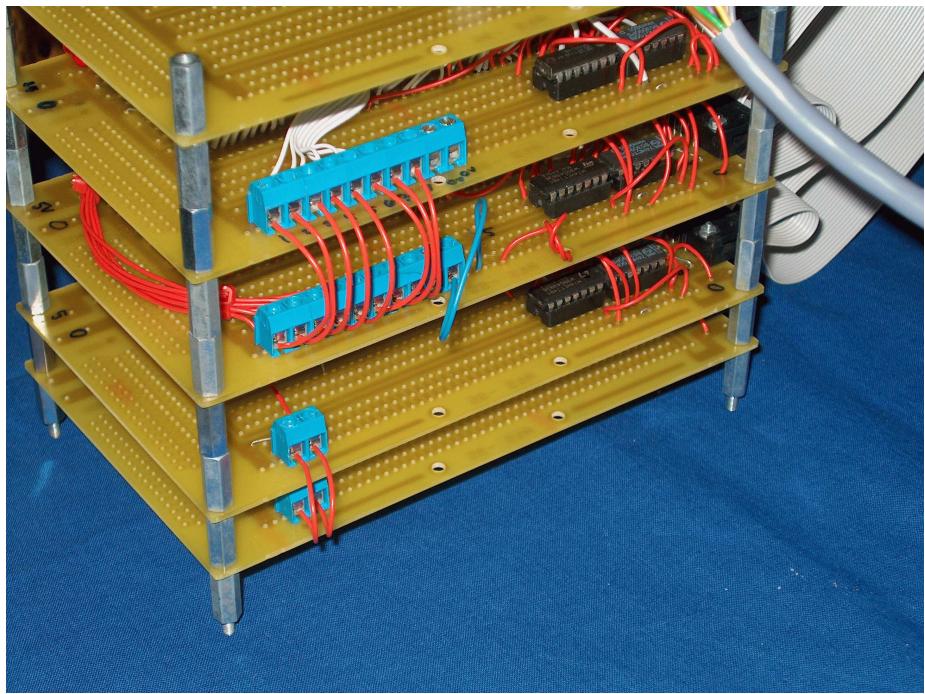


Figure 5.1: Loop back for testing purpose.

### 5.3 Linearity problems

Through the days of tests and documentation, a problem with linearity was discovered. To explore this problem, the boards were tested in the range of voltage from 0 V to 2 V in steps of 100 mV. The values tested:

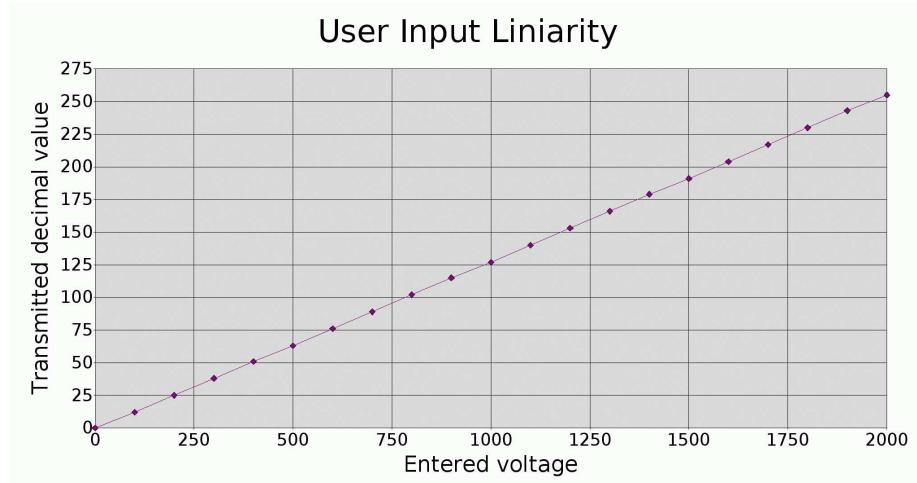


Figure 5.2: Optimal linearity.

This is the optimal linearity.

**Output linearity** This is the measured output:

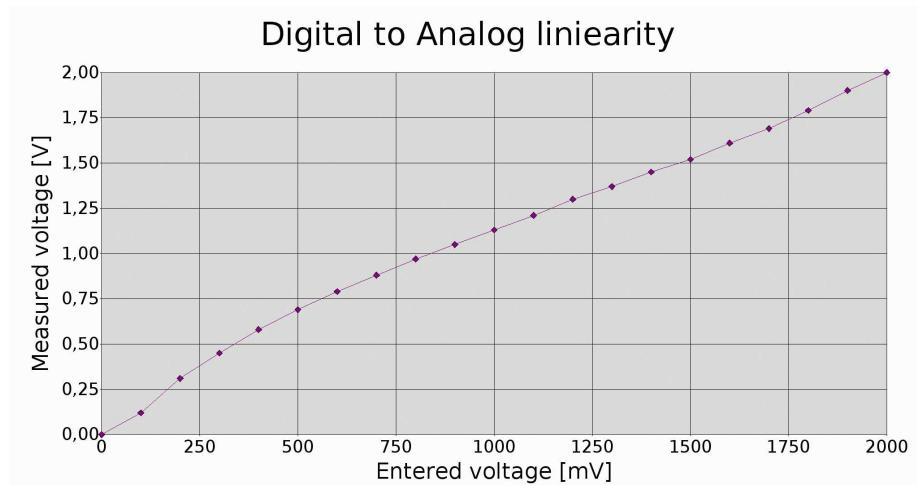


Figure 5.3: Output linearity.

This is not linear.

**Output linearity** This is the measured input:

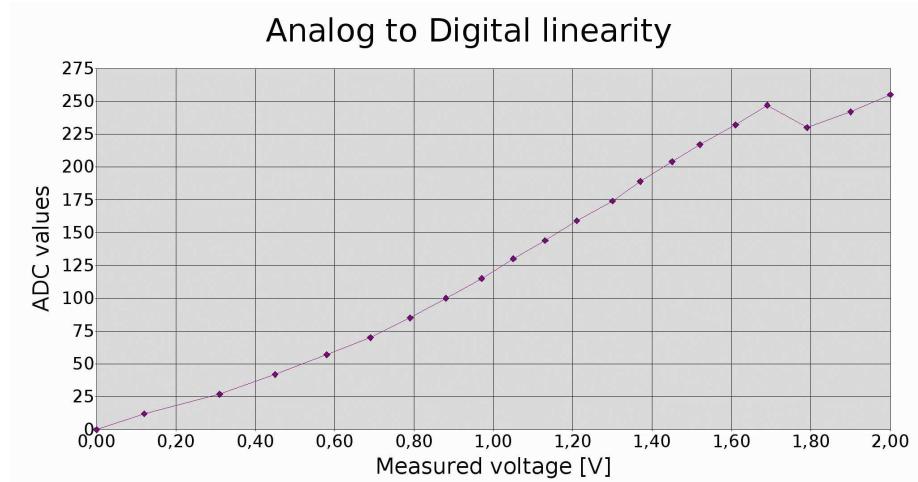


Figure 5.4: Input linearity.

This is not linear.

**Output linearity** This is the combined linearity:

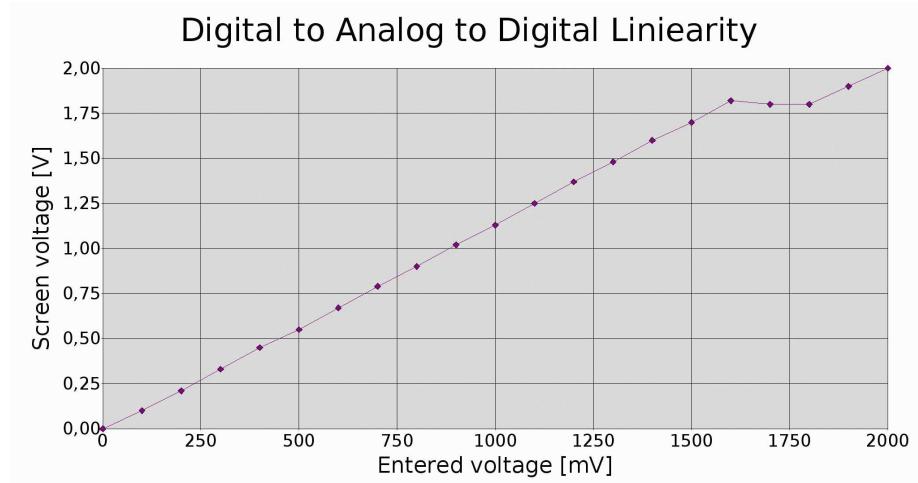


Figure 5.5: Overall linearity.

This is still not linear, but a little better because the 2 non-linearities combined works in opposite direction and works for the better.

This poor linearity is not explained in the application notes of the components used. But here is a lots of possible reasons:

1. A bad component.
2. Influence from external components and parts.
3. Bad test equipment.

## 5.4 Tests

### 5.4.1 Testing the hardware from a terminal program

**Easy testing** The best and easiest way of testing the hardware, is to connect all the hardware to the PC and run either the GUI or a terminal program. On Linux run the program minicom.<sup>5</sup>

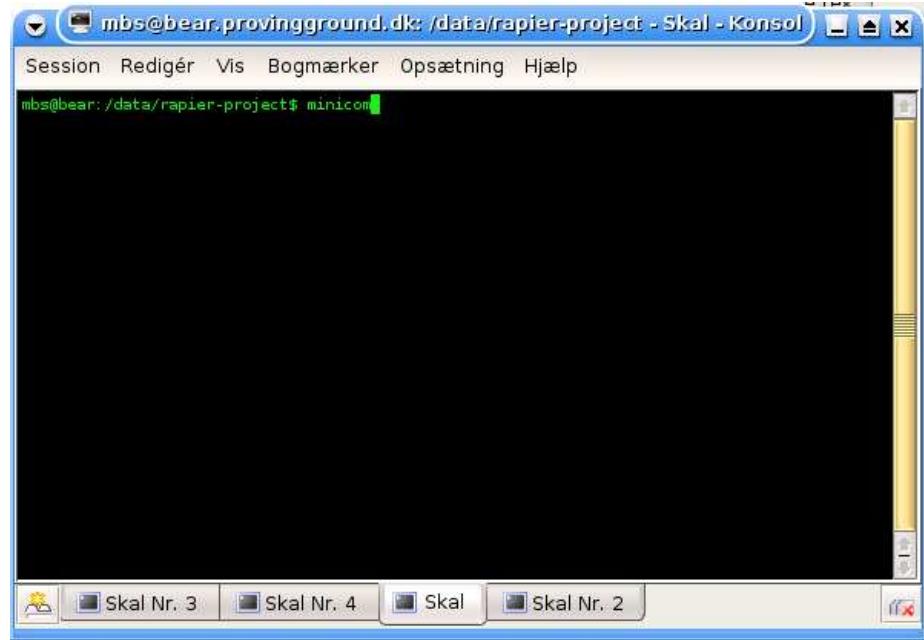


Figure 5.6: Starting minicom.

**Screen output** The output will show something like this:

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<sup>5</sup><http://alioth.debian.org/projects/minicom/>

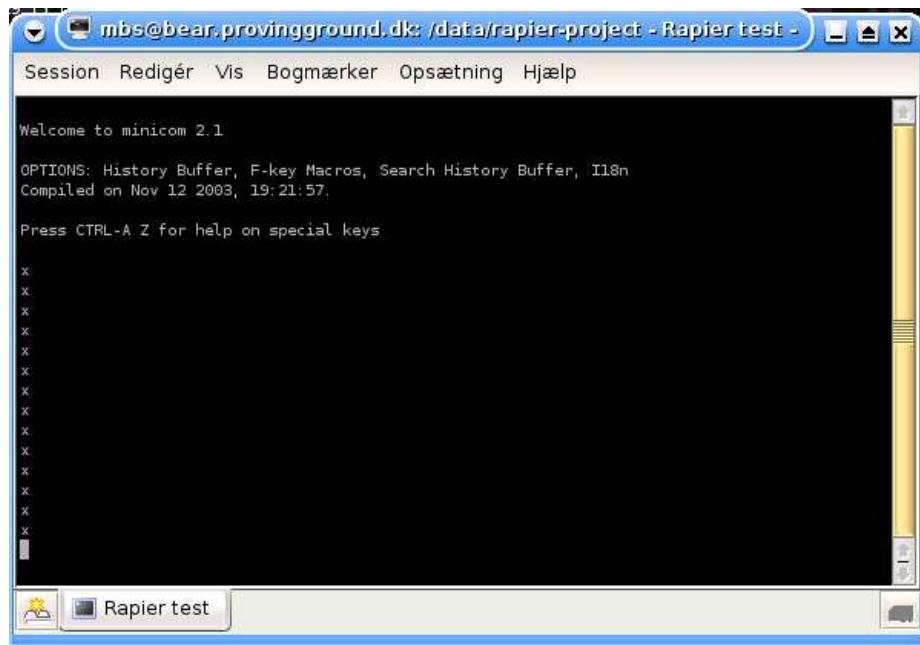


Figure 5.7: Minicom after start.

**Test procedure** If the inputs and output are connected in a loop back mode, perform the following test:

#### 5.4.1.1 Adaptor Board operation test

The Adaptor Board does not perform any tasks or signal processing. Individual testing not possible with the standard software.

#### 5.4.1.2 Monitor and Power Board operation test

The Adaptor Board does not perform any tasks or signal processing. Individual testing not possible with the standard software.

### 5.4.1.3 Digital Output Board operation test

To test this board do the following:

**Address the board** The board id is hex value 02. To address the board in minicom enter: "s02".

The hardware respond with "x". Not much to look at, but the "x" is important because it's the right response.

**Send a byte to the board** To write a byte, fx. hex value ff, to the board, send "off".

The hardware respond with "x" again. The "x" is still the right response. But on the Digital Output Board, all the LED<sup>6</sup> is turned on. Other hex values can be written to the board and the LED should turn on corresponding to the binary pattern in the hex value.

The output will show something like this:

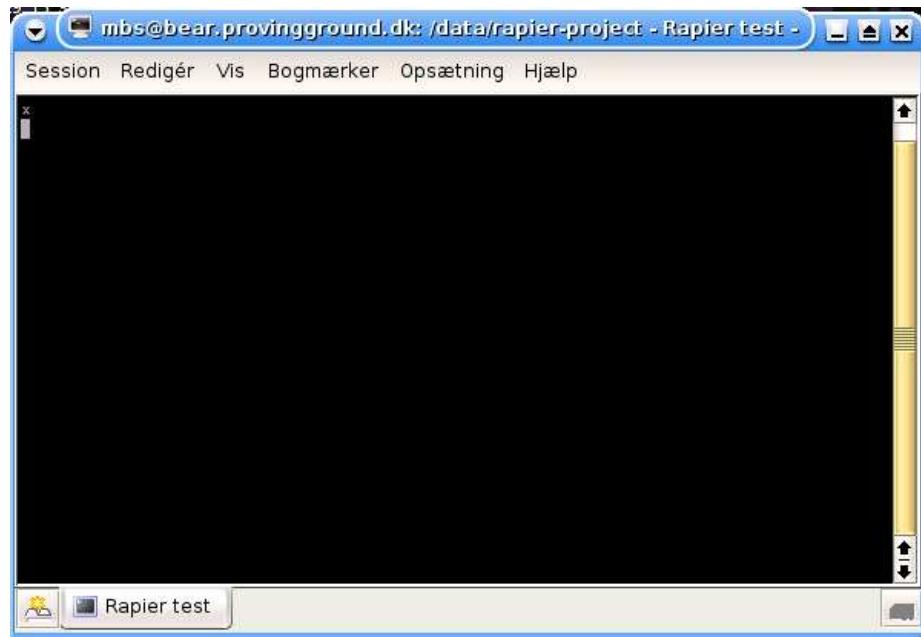


Figure 5.8: Minicom after addressing a board.

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<sup>6</sup>Light Emitting Diode

**Partly conclusion** The Digital Output Board is working properly as designed.

#### 5.4.1.4 Digital Input Board operation test

To test this board do the following:

**Address the board** The board id is hex value 04. To address the board in minicom enter: "s04".

The hardware respond with "x", which is the right response.

**Getting the input** Send "i" in minicom and see the response:

The output will show something like this:

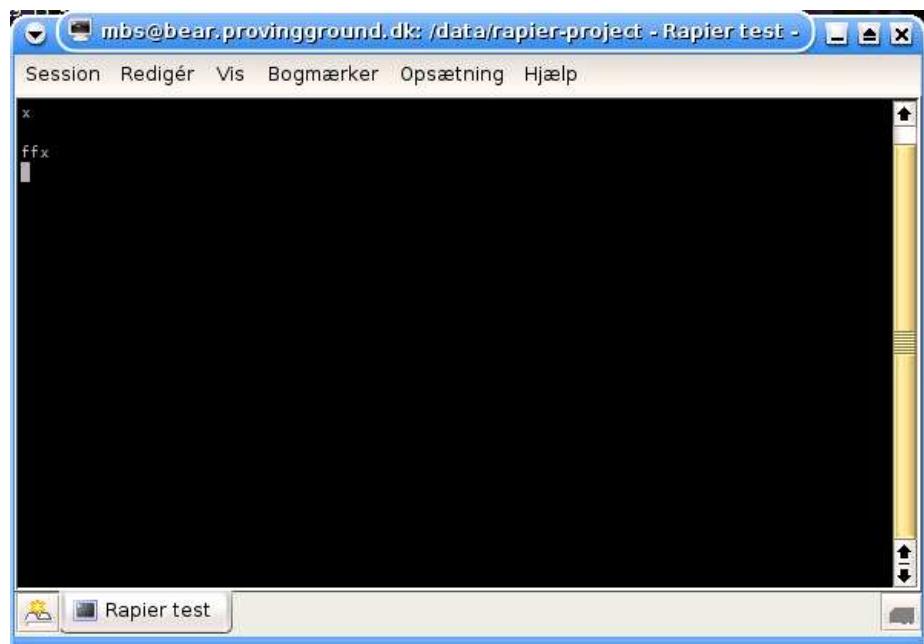


Figure 5.9: minicom after start.

The response is "ffx", which means that "ff" is what's on the input, and the "x" is the end response from the Z8 hardware.

**Partly conclusion** The input received matches the output sent earlier. When trying sending other values to the output board, the same values are received on the input board. The Digital Input Board is working properly as designed.

#### 5.4.1.5 Analog Output Board operation test

This test is based on the fact that the board is calibrated properly according to section 3.7.8 on page 62.

**Test equipment** To test the output connect an volt meter to the output. Expect to measure a voltage of 2 V when sending the value to the board. It should look something like this:



Figure 5.10: Analog output.

**Addressing the board** The board id is hex value 08. To address the board in minicom enter: "s08".

The hardware respond with "x" which is the right response.

**Sending the output** To write a byte, fx. hex value ff, to the board, send "off".

The hardware respond with "x" and sets the output voltage to 2 v.

**Partly conclusion** The Analog Output Board is working properly.

#### 5.4.1.6 Analog Input Board operation test

To test this board do the following:

**Address the board** The board does not have an id because all functionality is moved inside the Z8 microcontroller.

**AD conversion** Send "k" in minicom and see the response:

The output will show something like this:

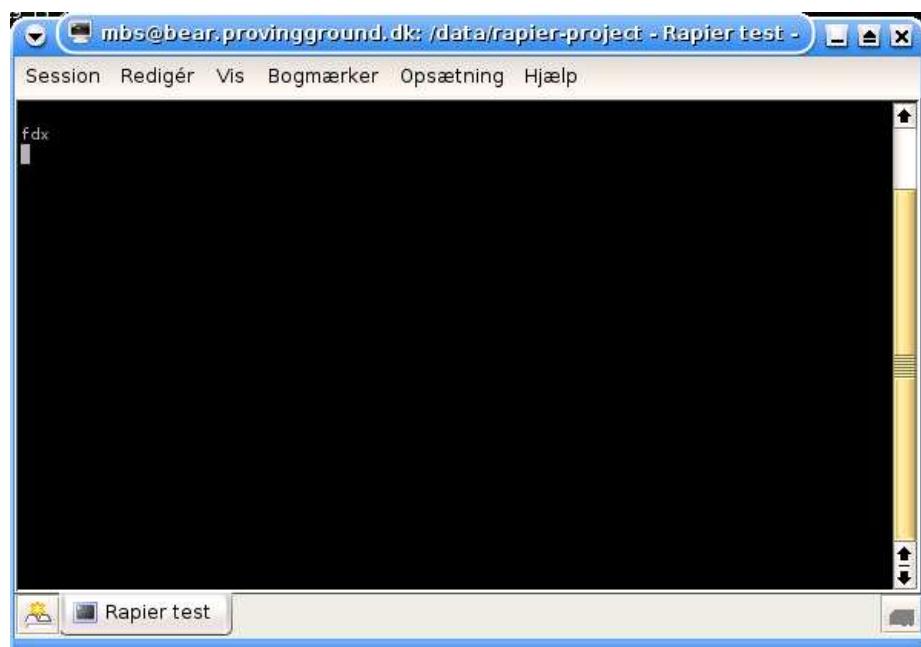


Figure 5.11: Performing AD conversion.

The response is "fdx". The response may vary because of the analog nature of the function. There can be noise in the moment of AD conversion, the linearity of the ADC<sup>7</sup>.

**Partly conclusion** The input received match the output send earlier. When trying sending other values to the output board, the same values are received on the input board. The Digital Input Board and the Z8 ADC circuitry is working.

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<sup>7</sup>Analog to Digital Converter

### 5.4.2 Testing the hardware from the GUI

**Easy testing** For this test of the hardware, connect all the hardware to the PC and run the GUI or a terminal program. For a more detailed description of using the GUI, goto the Users Manual starting on page 113.

**Test procedure** If the inputs and output are connected in a loop back mode, perform the following test:

#### 5.4.2.1 Adaptor Board operation test

The Adaptor Board does not perform any tasks or signal processing. Individual testing not possible with the standard software.

#### 5.4.2.2 Monitor and Power Board operation test

The Adaptor Board does not perform any tasks or signal processing. Individual testing not possible with the standard software.

**5.4.2.3 Digital Output Board operation test**

To test this board do the following:

Click on one of the 8 radiobuttons in the GUI to activate the output.

The communication log should show the same response as minicom. Observe the output LED's and match them turning on or off matching the input in the GUI.

**Partly conclusion** The Digital Output Board and GUI is working properly.

**5.4.2.4 Digital Input Board operation test**

To test this board do the following:

After setting the output on the Digital Output Board, match the input and output in GUI.

**Partly conclusion** The input match the output. The Digital Input Board and GUI is working properly.

#### 5.4.2.5 Analog Output Board operation test

This test is based on the fact that the board is calibrated properly according to section 3.7.8 on page 62.

**Test equipment** To test the output connect an volt meter to the output. Expect to measure a voltage of 2 V when sending the value to the board. It should look something like this:



Figure 5.12: Analog output.

Set the voltage output to max value and compare the measured value. The value set and the value measured should be the same.

**Partly conclusion** The Analog Output Board is working properly.

#### 5.4.2.6 Analog Input Board operation test

**Procedure** To test this board do the following:

**AD conversion** Click in the GUI to update analog input.

**Analyze result** Compare the input voltage with the output voltage. They should match each other or be relatively close. Please read the part on linearity problems on page 93.

**Partly conclusion** The input received match the output send earlier. When trying sending other values to the output board, the same values are received on the input board. The GUI, the Digital Input Board and the Z8 ADC circuitry is working.

## 5.5 Test results

Conclusions	
test	test
All Boards using 5V, -5V, 12V or 12V regulated power supply.	Achieved.
Operating temperature: in door temperature.	Achieved.
The Z8 evaluation board	Passing criteria.
Adaptor Board	Conducts signals as designed.
Bus system	Passing criteria and specifications.
Monitoring and Power Board	Passing criteria and specifications.
Digital Input Board	Passing criteria and specifications.
Digital Output Board	Passing criteria and specifications.
Analog Input Board	Passing criteria and specifications.
Analog Input Board	Passing criteria and specifications.
Analog Output Board	Passing criteria and specifications.
Power Supply	Passing criteria and specifications.
Communication protocol	Functionality as required.
GUI	Passing criteria and specifications.
Serial Communication	At no time giving instability or extensive delays.
3rd. party software	Installed on the development PC.

Table 5.1: Conclusions

# Chapter 6

## Conclusion

### 6.1 Historical review

This project was developed in 2004. The early start was just before summer vacation when the first test of serial communication was conducted. But the project really took off in the fall 2004 after finishing 3 large assignments in school.

The project was developed in these steps:

1. Research of design solutions in several hardware components.
2. Design of hardware.
3. Assembling the hardware and concurrently developing drivers and serial communication code on Z8.
4. Development of the GUI.

The most difficult part was the GUI and understanding the concept of QT programming. All hardware worked the first time, and no problems of timing and noise was encountered.

The only part that needed redesign was the Analog Input Board. The original solution was based on the same addressing design like the other boards, combined with a Sample and Hold and a reed relay. When the hardware was in a continual AD conversion mode, the reed relay would switch off and on so fast that it produced a high frequency noise.

Milestones in the project

Research of hardware design Finished on the 10th of November, 2004.

Hardware assembly and software drivers Finished on the 13th of December, 2004.

GUI Finished on the 22nd of December, 2004.

Documentation Finished on the 3rd of January 2005.

The project would have been finished long before it was if several parts was left out of the project. A lot of ideas was left out:

- LCD driver.
- DDS functionality<sup>1</sup>.
- WEB based GUI.
- All serial communication stored in a database for statistical analysis.

Some of those ideas are going to be implemented in the near future after the project is officially finished.

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<sup>1</sup>Direct Digital Synthesis is a method to digitally create arbitrary waveforms and frequencies from a single source fixed frequency.

## 6.2 Final conclusion

This project achieved its goal of designing, building and testing an interface system for a PC running Linux according to specifications within the time table of the project.

Through the project, knowledge of the subject was acquired:

- Design of a large project.
- Extensive research into the many parts of the subject.
- Serial communication between a Linux PC and the Z8 evaluation board.
- GUI programming.
- Planning the project in a time table.

Randers, on the 3rd of January 2005.

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# Chapter 7

# Appendix

## 7.1 Users manual

### 7.1.1 Prerequisite

#### 7.1.1.1 Hardware

To use the hardware there must be a serial port / COM port. The port must be assigned as /dev/ttyS0 on a working Linux computer. It must support a speed at least 57600 baud. Typically the speed is 115200 baud on the most computers today.

#### 7.1.1.2 Software

The computer must have the following software installed:

- A working Linux installation or booted from a live CD with graphical user interface enabled.
- KDE desktop installed.
- KDE desktop running or another window manager which supports KDE-applications.

#### 7.1.1.3 User privilege requirements

<sup>1</sup> The user of the GUI must have "write rights" to the /dev/ttyS0 device.

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<sup>1</sup> Users must have adequate privilege in the Linuc file system

### 7.1.2 Installation procedure

#### 7.1.2.1 Installing the software

The GUI can be executed from any location within the file system. But it would be a good idea to place it in the search path, or making a "sym link"<sup>2</sup> to the executable file.

This installation procedure could be used:

1. Copy the executable file "rapier-gui" into directory which are "read only" from the users point of view. For example in /usr/bin/.
2. Run the executable from a shell or from an icon on the Desktop.

Or:

1. Copy the executable file "rapier-gui" into directory which has "read only" from the users point of view. For example in /opt/rapier/. You may need to create the directory yourself.
2. Create a link: `ln /opt/rapier/rapier-gui /usr/bin/rapier`
3. Run the executable `rapier` from a shell or from an icon on the Desktop.

#### 7.1.2.2 Installing the hardware

To install the Rapier hardware follow these instructions:

1. Put the Adaptor Board on the Z8 evaluation board.
2. Connect all the boards to the flat cable.
3. Connect the flat cable to the Adaptor Board.
4. Connect the Z8 to the PC with a serial cable.
5. Connect the Power Cable to the 2 external power supplies. Watch for BLACK and WHITE connector to the right power supply.
6. Connect the Z8 to its own power supply.
7. Turn on power for all units.

Proceed with the software installation.

#### Setting up for standard use

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<sup>2</sup>A new name used instead of the original name of a file.

To ensure the right functionality it is important to follow these steps:

1. Look at the boards and note the ID set on the ID switches.
2. Start up the Rapier GUI application.
3. If the board Id's do not match those you've noted in the first step, please reset them according to ID switches.
4. The Rapier system is ready for use.

### 7.1.2.3 Standard operating procedure

#### Overview

This is the main window of the GUI.

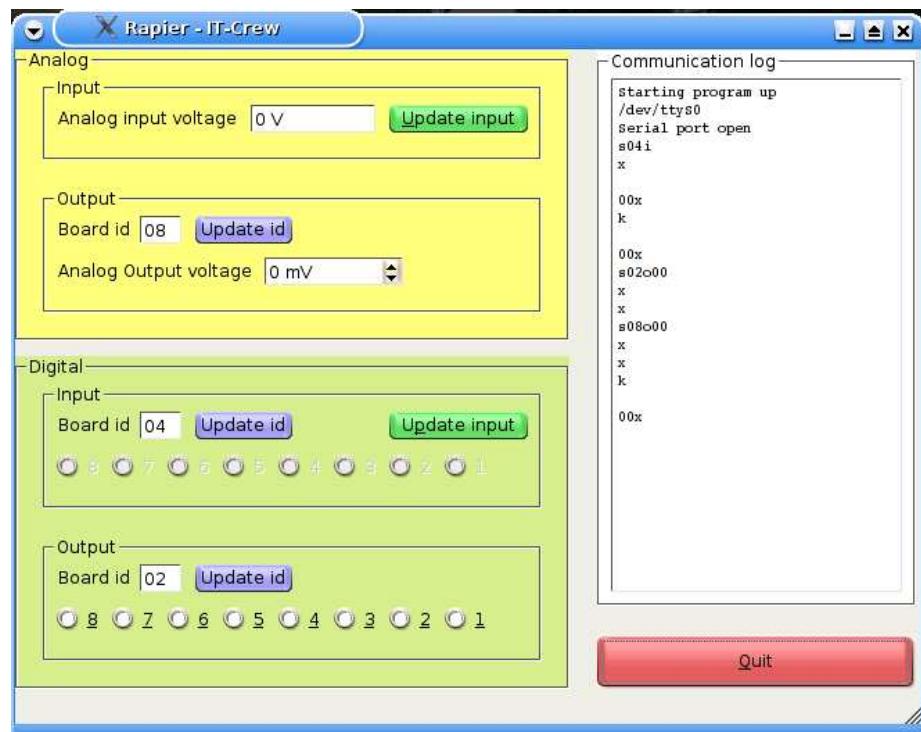


Figure 7.1: Rapier GUI.

It is divided into 4 parts:

- Analog part
- Digital part
- Communication log
- Quit button

The 4 parts are described on the following pages.

### 7.1.2.4 Analog part

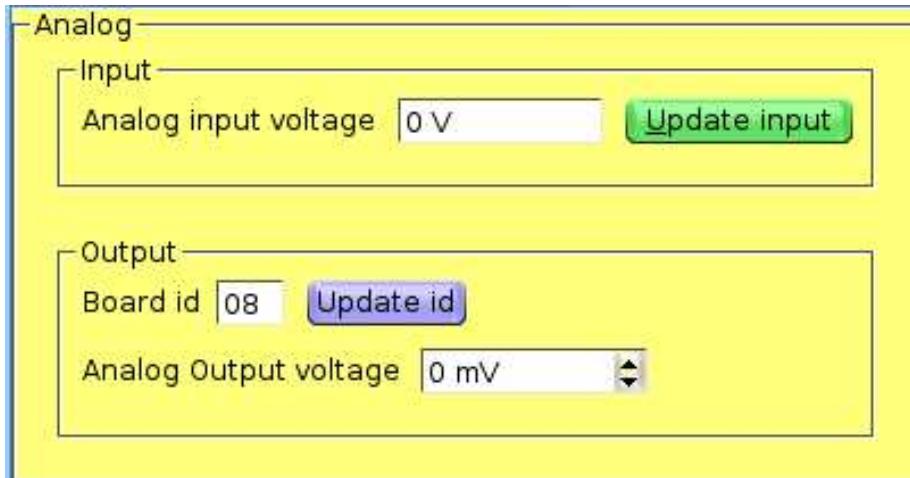


Figure 7.2: Rapier GUI analog input and output.

The Analog part is divided into Input and Output.

#### **Input**

##### **Input voltage**

By clicking the update button, the analog input voltage on the Rapier hardware is displayed in the field.

This input field is "read only"<sup>3</sup>.

Analog input voltage

Figure 7.3: Rapier GUI analog input voltage.

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<sup>3</sup>"read only" means that the field cannot be edited.

**Output**

**Board id** Enter a hex number in this field to set the id matching the board.

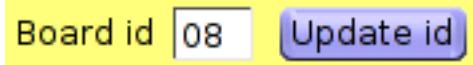


Figure 7.4: Rapier GUI analog output board id.

**Output voltage** The analog output voltage are set by clicking on the spin box's up and down arrows left of the desired voltage output



Figure 7.5: Rapier GUI analog output voltage.

### 7.1.2.5 Digital part



Figure 7.6: Rapier GUI digital input and output.

#### Input

**Board id** Enter a hex number in this field to set the id matching the board.



Figure 7.7: Rapier GUI digital input board id.

**Input** The input on the digital input board is displayed here. Click on the update button to update the display.

This input field is "read only".



Figure 7.8: Rapier GUI digital input.

**Output**

**Board id** Enter a hex number in this field to set the id matching the board.

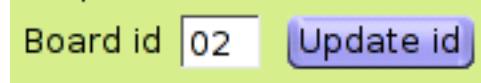


Figure 7.9: Rapier GUI digital output board id.

**Output** By clicking these radio buttons you can set the digital outputs.

Each radio button is accessible through keyboard short cuts. On the keyboard press ALT+1 through ALT+8 to toggle the radio buttons on and off.



Figure 7.10: Rapier GUI digital output.

### 7.1.2.6 Communication log

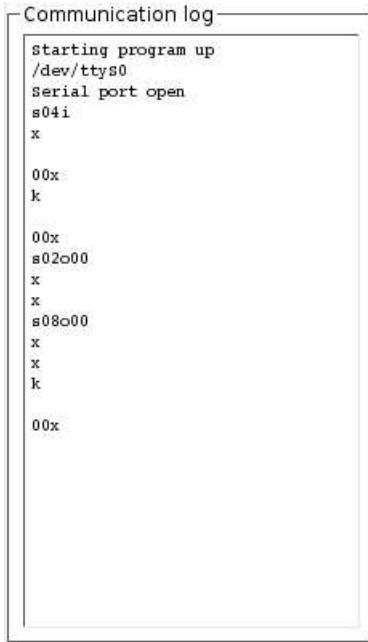


Figure 7.11: Rapier GUI communication log.

**The log** This is a "read only" part of the program. It is possible to mark the text and copy it into the clip board for later use in another program.

The text and messages are described later in the protocol section.

The most obvious use of this part is seeing that after every instruction send to the hardware, there is an "x" as a confirmation. If there is no "x" after each instruction, then there's something wrong. Typically a problem with the serial speed of the system.

In this part you are able to inspect the communication between the PC and the hardware, and some messages about the operation.

### 7.1.2.7 Quit



Figure 7.12: Rapier GUI quit button.

This button quits the program.

#### 7.1.2.8 Connecting the hardware

Connect the Analog Input Board to any source of an analog voltage ranging from 0V - 2V.

Connect the Analog Output Board to voltmeter or any device controlled by an analog voltage in the range of 0V - 2V.

Connect the Digital Output Board to any device with up to 8 TTL-level<sup>4</sup> inputs.

Connect the Digital Input Board to any device with up to 8 TTL-level outputs.

To test the Rapier hardware, connect the Analog Input Board to Analog Output Board and connect the Digital Output Board to Digital Input Board. This method can be used for diagnostics and self test.



Figure 7.13: Looping output to input.

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<sup>4</sup>TTL (Transistor-transistor logic) is a class of digital circuits built from bipolar junction transistors (BJT), and resistors; it is notable for being the base for the first widespread semiconductor integrated circuit (IC) technology. TTL gained almost universal acceptance after Texas Instruments had greatly facilitated the construction of digital systems with their 1962 introduction of the 7400 series of ICs.

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This is a list of sources of information on which the project is based on:

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<http://www.stack.nl/~dimitri/doxygen/index.html>
- L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X 2<sub>ε</sub> reference at  
<http://www.latex-project.org/>
- C reference at  
<http://www-ccs.ucsd.edu/c/>
- C++ reference at  
<http://www.cplusplus.com/>
- QT-designer  
<http://www.trolltech.com/products/qt/designer.html>
- QT docs at  
<http://doc.trolltech.com/3.3/index.html>
- Bash howto at  
<http://www.tldp.org/LDP/abs/html/>
- Umrello editor (UML) at  
<http://uml.sourceforge.net/index.php>
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<http://focus.ti.com/docs/prod/folders/print/sn74als520.html>
- Z8 described at  
<http://www.zilog.com/products/partdetails.asp?id=Z8F6403>
- 74ls373 described at  
<http://focus.ti.com/docs/prod/folders/print/sn74ls373.html>

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<http://focus.ti.com/docs/prod/folders/print/sn74ls74a.html>

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### 7.3 main.c File Reference

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <eZ8.h>
#include <sio.h>
#include "driver.h"
#include "main.h"
```

## Functions

- **char getinput ()**  
*Low nibble of a char. Receives a character from the serial line.*
- **char chartohex (unsigned char tempchar)**  
*Converting a char into a number.*
- **void bytetotwoascii (unsigned char tempdata)**  
*Converts a byte in to 2 nibbles, and send it to the PC.*
- **void main ()**  
*Main function.*

## Variables

- **char mych**
- **char chararray [] = "0123456789abcdef"**  
*Character received from the PC.*
- **char \* loc**  
*String to hold hex values.*
- **unsigned char datahigh**  
*Hold the position of a hex value in the chararray[].*
- **unsigned char datalow**  
*High nibble of a char.*

### 7.3.1 Function Documentation

#### 7.3.1.1 void bytetotwoascii (unsigned char *tempdata*)

Converts a byte in to 2 nibbles, and send it to the PC.

Function to convert a byte into 2 nibbles, and each nibble converted into a hex value. Each nibble is send to the PC through the serial connection.

Definition at line 64 of file main.c.

References chararray, datahigh, and datalow.

Referenced by main().

### 7.3.1.2 char chartohex (unsigned char *tempchar*)

Converting a char into a number.

Function to convert a hex value ranging from 0 - f into a number ranging from 0 - 15.

Definition at line 51 of file main.c.

References chararray, and loc.

Referenced by main().

### 7.3.1.3 char getinput ()

Low nibble of a char. Reveives a character from the serial line.

Function to receive a single character from the RS232 connection to the PC.

Definition at line 38 of file main.c.

References mych.

Referenced by main().

### 7.3.1.4 void main ()

Main function.

The main function. This function sets up the AD bus, Control bus and the serial port. Main takes care of the principal functionallity in the system.

Definition at line 79 of file main.c.

References ADBUSOUT, adressingboard(), bussetup(), bytein(), byteout(), bytetotwoascii(), chartohex(), datahigh, datalow, delaycycles, getinput(), mych, singleadconverting(), and writeFlash().

## 7.3.2 Variable Documentation

### 7.3.2.1 char chararray[] = "0123456789abcdef"

Character received from the PC.

Definition at line 9 of file main.c.

Referenced by bytetotwoascii(), and chartohex().

### 7.3.2.2 unsigned char datahigh

Hold the position of a hex value in the chararray[].

Definition at line 11 of file main.c.

Referenced by bytetotwoascii(), and main().

**7.3.2.3 unsigned char datalow**

High nibble of a char.

Definition at line 12 of file main.c.

Referenced by bytetotwoascii(), and main().

**7.3.2.4 char\* loc**

String to hold hex values.

Definition at line 10 of file main.c.

Referenced by chartohex().

**7.3.2.5 char mych**

Definition at line 8 of file main.c.

Referenced by getinput(), and main().

## 7.4 main.h File Reference

### Functions

- void **writeFlash** (void)
- void **init\_flash** (unsigned long freq)

### Variables

- char x
- long delaycycles

#### 7.4.1 Function Documentation

**7.4.1.1 void init\_flash (unsigned long *freq*)**

**7.4.1.2 void writeFlash (void)**

Definition at line 6 of file z8-system.c.

Referenced by main().

#### 7.4.2 Variable Documentation

**7.4.2.1 long delaycycles**

Definition at line 4 of file main.h.

Referenced by main().

**7.4.2.2 char x**

Definition at line 3 of file main.h.

Referenced by writeFlash().

## 7.5 driver.c File Reference

```
#include <ez8.h>
#include "main.h"
#include "driver.h"
```

### Functions

- void **adbusoutput** (char c)  
*Byte value to A/D bus.*
- void **adress\_enable\_on** ()  
*Enables Address Enable signal.*
- void **adress\_enable\_off** ()  
*Disables Address Enable signal.*
- void **adress\_decode\_on** ()  
*Enables Address Decode signal.*
- void **adress\_decode\_off** ()  
*Disables Address Decode signal.*
- void **output\_function\_enable\_on** ()  
*Enables Output Function Enable signal.*
- void **output\_function\_enable\_off** ()  
*Disables Output Function Enable signal.*
- void **input\_function\_enable\_on** ()  
*Enables Input Function Enable signal.*
- void **input\_function\_enable\_off** ()  
*Disables Input Function Enable signal.*
- void **deselect\_board\_on** ()  
*Enables Deselect Board signal.*
- void **deselect\_board\_off** ()  
*Disables Deselect Board signal.*
- void **addressingboard** (char id)  
*Addressing a board.*
- void **byteout** (char data)

*Sends a byte to a board.*

- **char bytein ()**  
*Recieves a byte from a board.*
- **char singleadconverting ()**  
*A/D converting.*
- **void dob (char id, char data)**  
*Digital Output Board operation.*
- **char dib (char id)**  
*Digital Input Board operation.*
- **void aob (char id, char data)**  
*Analog Output Board operation.*
- **char aib ()**  
*Analog Input Board operation.*
- **void setadcinputs ()**  
*Seting up port H to analog inputs.*
- **void setadbustoinput ()**  
*Setup port G to input.*
- **void setadbustooutput ()**  
*Setup port G to output.*
- **void bussetup ()**  
*Seting up Bus system.*

### 7.5.1 Function Documentation

#### 7.5.1.1 void adbushoutput (char c)

Byte value to A/D bus.

Function to output a char to the AD bus.

Definition at line 13 of file driver.c.

References ADBUSOUT.

Referenced by adresssingboard(), and byteout().

**7.5.1.2 void adress\_decode\_off ()**

Disables Address Decode signal.

Function to turn on the Address Decode pin on Control Bus low. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 60 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by adressboard().

**7.5.1.3 void adress\_decode\_on ()**

Enables Address Decode signal.

Function to turn on the Address Decode pin on Control Bus high. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 48 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by adressboard().

**7.5.1.4 void adress\_enable\_off ()**

Disables Address Enable signal.

Function to turn on the Address Enable pin on Control Bus low. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 36 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by adressboard().

**7.5.1.5 void adress\_enable\_on ()**

Enables Address Enable signal.

Function to turn on the Address Enable pin on Control Bus high. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 24 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by adressboard().

**7.5.1.6 void adressboard (char *id*)**

Addressing a board.

Function to put an address on the AD bus.

Definition at line 145 of file driver.c.

References adbusoutput(), adress\_decode\_off(), adress\_decode\_on(), adress\_enable\_off(), and adress\_enable\_on().

Referenced by aob(), dib(), dob(), and main().

#### **7.5.1.7 char aib ()**

Analog Input Board operation.

Function to perform a full AD conversion. This function exists to match the other board functions.

Definition at line 247 of file driver.c.

References singleadconverting().

#### **7.5.1.8 void aob (char *id*, char *data*)**

Analog Output Board operation.

Function to perform a full board operation for a Analog Output Board.

Definition at line 235 of file driver.c.

References adressboard(), and byteout().

#### **7.5.1.9 void bussetup ()**

Seting up Bus system.

Function to set up the Z8 port E for Control bus use.

Definition at line 329 of file driver.c.

References ADBUSOUT, CONTROLBUSOUT, deselect\_board\_off(), deselect\_board\_on(), setadbustoooutput(), and setadcinputs().

Referenced by main().

#### **7.5.1.10 char bytein ()**

Recieves a byte from a board.

Function to reveive data from a board. The function sets the AD bus to input mode before requesting data from the board. After data has been reveived, the board is turned off and AD bus set to output mode again.

Definition at line 176 of file driver.c.

References ADBUSIN, input\_function\_enable\_off(), input\_function\_enable\_on(), setadbustoinput(), and setadbustoooutput().

Referenced by dib(), and main().

#### **7.5.1.11 void byteout (char *data*)**

Sends a byte to a board.

Function to put data on the AD bus and toggle Output Function enable ON and OFF.

Definition at line 161 of file driver.c.

References adbusoutput(), output\_function\_enable\_off(), and output\_function\_enable\_on().

Referenced by aob(), dob(), and main().

#### **7.5.1.12 void deselect\_board\_off ()**

Disables Deselect Board signal.

Function to turn on the Deselect Board pin on Control Bus high. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 132 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by bussetup().

#### **7.5.1.13 void deselect\_board\_on ()**

Enables Deselect Board signal.

Function to turn on the Deselect Board pin on Control Bus high. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 120 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by bussetup().

#### **7.5.1.14 char dib (char *id*)**

Digital Input Board operation.

Function to perform a full board operation for a Digital Input Board.

Definition at line 221 of file driver.c.

References adressboard(), and bytein().

**7.5.1.15 void dob (char *id*, char *data*)**

Digital Output Board operation.

Function to perform a full board operation for a Digital Output Board.

Definition at line 208 of file driver.c.

References adressboard(), and byteout().

**7.5.1.16 void input\_function\_enable\_off ()**

Disables Input Function Enable signal.

Function to turn on the Input Function Enable pin on Control Bus low. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 108 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by bytein().

**7.5.1.17 void input\_function\_enable\_on ()**

Enables Input Function Enable signal.

Function to turn on the Input Function Enable pin on Control Bus high. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 96 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by bytein().

**7.5.1.18 void output\_function\_enable\_off ()**

Disables Output Function Enable signal.

Function to turn on the Output Function Enable pin on Control Bus low. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 84 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by byteout().

**7.5.1.19 void output\_function\_enable\_on ()**

Enables Output Function Enable signal.

Function to turn on the Output Function Enable pin on Control Bus high. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 72 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by byteout().

#### **7.5.1.20 void setadbustoinput ()**

Setup port G to input.

Function to set up the Z8 port G for AD bus input mode use.

Definition at line 303 of file driver.c.

Referenced by bytein().

#### **7.5.1.21 void setadbustooutput ()**

Setup port G to output.

Function to set up the Z8 port G for AD bus output mode use.

Definition at line 316 of file driver.c.

Referenced by bussetup(), and bytein().

#### **7.5.1.22 void setadcinputs ()**

Seting up port H to analog inputs.

Function to set up the ADC in the Z8.

Definition at line 288 of file driver.c.

Referenced by bussetup().

#### **7.5.1.23 char singleadconverting ()**

A/D converting.

Function to perform an AD conversion in the Z8. Only the 8 highest bit of the 10 bit result is used.

Definition at line 193 of file driver.c.

Referenced by aib(), and main().

## 7.6 driver.h File Reference

### Defines

- #define **ADBOUT** PGOUT
- #define **ADBIN** PGIN
- #define **CONTROLBUSOUT** PEOUT
- #define **CONTROLBUSIN** PEIN

### Functions

- void **adbusoutput** (char c)  
*Byte value to A/D bus.*
- void **adress\_enable\_on** ()  
*Enables Address Enable signal.*
- void **adress\_enable\_off** ()  
*Disables Address Enable signal.*
- void **adress\_decode\_on** ()  
*Enables Address Decode signal.*
- void **adress\_decode\_off** ()  
*Disables Address Decode signal.*
- void **output\_function\_enable\_on** ()  
*Enables Output Function Enable signal.*
- void **output\_function\_enable\_off** ()  
*Disables Output Function Enable signal.*
- void **input\_function\_enable\_on** ()  
*Enables Input Function Enable signal.*
- void **input\_function\_enable\_off** ()  
*Disables Input Function Enable signal.*
- void **deselect\_board\_on** ()  
*Enables Deselect Board signal.*
- void **deselect\_board\_off** ()  
*Disables Deselect Board signal.*
- void **setadcinputs** ()  
*Setting up port H to analog inputs.*

- void **setadbustoinput** ()
 

*Setup port G to input.*
- void **setadbustooutput** ()
 

*Setup port G to output.*
- void **bussetup** ()
 

*Seting up Bus system.*
- char **nightridertest** ()
- void **testcontrols** ()
- void **adressingboard** (char id)
 

*Addressing a board.*
- void **byteout** (char data)
 

*Sends a byte to a board.*
- char **bytein** ()
 

*Recieves a byte from a board.*
- char **singleadconverting** ()
 

*A/D converting.*
- void **dob** (char id, char data)
 

*Digital Output Board operation.*
- char **dib** (char id)
 

*Digital Input Board operation.*
- void **aob** (char id, char data)
 

*Analog Output Board operation.*
- char **aib** ()
 

*Analog Input Board operation.*
- void **longdelay** ()

### 7.6.1 Define Documentation

#### 7.6.1.1 #define ADBUSIN PGIN

Definition at line 2 of file driver.h.

Referenced by bytein().

**7.6.1.2 #define ADBUSOUT PGOUT**

Definition at line 1 of file driver.h.

Referenced by adboutput(), bussetup(), and main().

**7.6.1.3 #define CONTROLBUSIN PEIN**

Definition at line 4 of file driver.h.

Referenced by adress\_decode\_off(), adress\_decode\_on(), adress\_enable\_off(), adress\_enable\_on(), deselect\_board\_off(), deselect\_board\_on(), input\_function\_enable\_off(), input\_function\_enable\_on(), output\_function\_enable\_off(), and output\_function\_enable\_on().

**7.6.1.4 #define CONTROLBUSOUT PEOUT**

Definition at line 3 of file driver.h.

Referenced by adress\_decode\_off(), adress\_decode\_on(), adress\_enable\_off(), adress\_enable\_on(), bussetup(), deselect\_board\_off(), deselect\_board\_on(), input\_function\_enable\_off(), input\_function\_enable\_on(), output\_function\_enable\_off(), and output\_function\_enable\_on().

**7.6.2 Function Documentation****7.6.2.1 void adboutput (char c)**

Byte value to A/D bus.

Function to output a char to the AD bus.

Definition at line 13 of file driver.c.

References ADBUSOUT.

Referenced by adressboard(), and byteout().

**7.6.2.2 void adress\_decode\_off ()**

Disables Address Decode signal.

Function to turn on the Address Decode pin on Control Bus low. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 60 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by adressboard().

**7.6.2.3 void adress\_decode\_on ()**

Enables Address Decode signal.

Function to turn on the Address Decode pin on Control Bus high. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 48 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by adressboard().

**7.6.2.4 void adress\_enable\_off ()**

Disables Address Enable signal.

Function to turn on the Address Enable pin on Control Bus low. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 36 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by adressboard().

**7.6.2.5 void adress\_enable\_on ()**

Enables Address Enable signal.

Function to turn on the Address Enable pin on Control Bus high. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 24 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by adressboard().

**7.6.2.6 void adressboard (char *id*)**

Addressing a board.

Function to put an address on the AD bus.

Definition at line 145 of file driver.c.

References adboutput(), adress\_decode\_off(), adress\_decode\_on(), adress\_enable\_off(), and adress\_enable\_on().

Referenced by aob(), dib(), dob(), and main().

**7.6.2.7 char aib ()**

Analog Input Board operation.

Function to perform a full AD conversion. This function exists to match the other board functions.

Definition at line 247 of file driver.c.

References singleadconverting().

#### **7.6.2.8 void aob (char *id*, char *data*)**

Analog Output Board operation.

Function to perform a full board operation for a Analog Output Board.

Definition at line 235 of file driver.c.

References adressboard(), and byteout().

#### **7.6.2.9 void bussetup ()**

Seting up Bus system.

Function to set up the Z8 port E for Control bus use.

Definition at line 329 of file driver.c.

References ADBUSOUT, CONTROLBUSOUT, deselect\_board\_off(), deselect\_board\_on(), setadbustootoutput(), and setadcinputs().

Referenced by main().

#### **7.6.2.10 char bytein ()**

Recieves a byte from a board.

Function to reveive data from a board. The function sets the AD bus to input mode before requesting data from the board. After data has been reveived, the board is turned off and AD bus set to output mode again.

Definition at line 176 of file driver.c.

References ADBUSIN, input\_function\_enable\_off(), input\_function\_enable\_on(), setadbustoinput(), and setadbustootoutput().

Referenced by dib(), and main().

#### **7.6.2.11 void byteout (char *data*)**

Sends a byte to a board.

Function to put data on the AD bus and toggle Output Function enable ON and OFF.

Definition at line 161 of file driver.c.

References adbusoutput(), output\_function\_enable\_off(), and output\_function\_enable\_on().

Referenced by aob(), dob(), and main().

#### **7.6.2.12 void deselect\_board\_off ()**

Disables Deselect Board signal.

Function to turn on the Deselect Board pin on Control Bus high. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 132 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by bussetup().

#### **7.6.2.13 void deselect\_board\_on ()**

Enables Deselect Board signal.

Function to turn on the Deselect Board pin on Control Bus high. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 120 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by bussetup().

#### **7.6.2.14 char dib (char id)**

Digital Input Board operation.

Function to perform a full board operation for a Digital Input Board.

Definition at line 221 of file driver.c.

References adressboard(), and bytein().

#### **7.6.2.15 void dob (char id, char data)**

Digital Output Board operation.

Function to perform a full board operation for a Digital Output Board.

Definition at line 208 of file driver.c.

References adressboard(), and byteout().

#### **7.6.2.16 void input\_function\_enable\_off ()**

Disables Input Function Enable signal.

Function to turn on the Input Function Enable pin on Control Bus low. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 108 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by bytein().

#### **7.6.2.17 void input\_function\_enable\_on ()**

Enables Input Function Enable signal.

Function to turn on the Input Function Enable pin on Control Bus high. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 96 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by bytein().

#### **7.6.2.18 void longdelay ()**

#### **7.6.2.19 char nightridertest ()**

#### **7.6.2.20 void output\_function\_enable\_off ()**

Disables Output Function Enable signal.

Function to turn on the Output Function Enable pin on Control Bus low. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 84 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by byteout().

#### **7.6.2.21 void output\_function\_enable\_on ()**

Enables Output Function Enable signal.

Function to turn on the Output Function Enable pin on Control Bus high. Does not affect other signals on the control.

Definition at line 72 of file driver.c.

References CONTROLBUSIN, and CONTROLBUSOUT.

Referenced by byteout().

#### **7.6.2.22 void setadbustoinput ()**

Setup port G to input.

Function to set up the Z8 port G for AD bus input mode use.

Definition at line 303 of file driver.c.

Referenced by bytein().

#### **7.6.2.23 void setadbustoooutput ()**

Setup port G to output.

Function to set up the Z8 port G for AD bus output mode use.

Definition at line 316 of file driver.c.

Referenced by bussetup(), and bytein().

#### **7.6.2.24 void setadcinputs ()**

Seting up port H to analog inputs.

Function to set up the ADC in the Z8.

Definition at line 288 of file driver.c.

Referenced by bussetup().

#### **7.6.2.25 char singleadconverting ()**

A/D converting.

Function to perform an AD conversion in the Z8. Only the 8 highest bit of the 10 bit result is used.

Definition at line 193 of file driver.c.

Referenced by aib(), and main().

#### **7.6.2.26 void testcontrols ()**

## 7.7 main.cpp File Reference

```
#include "mainwindow.h"  
#include <qapplication.h>
```

### Functions

- int **main** (int argc, char \*\*argv)  
*Main function in the GUI application.*

#### 7.7.1 Function Documentation

##### 7.7.1.1 int main (int *argc*, char \*\* *argv*)

Main function in the GUI application.

Function to start the GUI.

Definition at line 13 of file main.cpp.

```
13 {  
14     QApplication app(argc, argv );  
15     MainWindow window;  
16     window.show();  
17     app.connect( &app, SIGNAL( lastWindowClosed() ), &app, SLOT( quit() ) );  
18     return app.exec();  
19 }
```

## 7.8 mainwindow.ui.h File Reference

```
#include <unistd.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <errno.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <termios.h>
#include <stdio.h>
```

### Variables

- int **fd** = 0
- char **sCmd** [254]
- char **sResult** [254]
- QString **serialport** = "/dev/ttyS0"
- QString **aoid** = "08"
- QString **doid** = "02"
- QString **diid** = "04"

#### 7.8.1 Variable Documentation

##### 7.8.1.1 **QString aoid = "08"**

Definition at line 25 of file mainwindow.ui.h.

##### 7.8.1.2 **QString diid = "04"**

Definition at line 27 of file mainwindow.ui.h.

##### 7.8.1.3 **QString doid = "02"**

Definition at line 26 of file mainwindow.ui.h.

##### 7.8.1.4 **int fd = 0**

Definition at line 21 of file mainwindow.ui.h.

##### 7.8.1.5 **char sCmd[254]**

Definition at line 22 of file mainwindow.ui.h.

##### 7.8.1.6 **QString serialport = "/dev/ttyS0"**

Definition at line 24 of file mainwindow.ui.h.

##### 7.8.1.7 **char sResult[254]**

Definition at line 23 of file mainwindow.ui.h.

```

/*
** ui.h extension file, included from the uic-generated form implementation.
**
** If you want to add, delete, or rename functions or slots, use
** Qt Designer to update this file, preserving your code.
**
** You should not define a constructor or destructor in this file.
** Instead, write your code in functions called init() and destroy().
** These will automatically be called by the form's constructor and
** destructor.
*/
#include <unistd.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <errno.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <termios.h>
#include <stdio.h>

int fd = 0;
char sCmd[254];
char sResult[254];
QString serialport = "/dev/ttyS0";
QString aoid = "08";
QString doid = "02";
QString diid = "04";

/*
 * @brief Initializes the GUI.
 * @return Errorlevel as an int.
 */
/*!
Function to start up the GUI and setting some default values.
*/
int MainWindow::init(){
    CommunicationLog->append("Starting program up");
    //QRegExp regExp("[0,1]\\d*\\.\\d+");
    //QRegExp regExp("^[\xhhhh]{1,2}$");
    // AIid->setValidator(new QRegExpValidator(regExp, this));
    // DIid->setValidator(new QRegExpValidator(regExp, this));
    // DOid->setValidator(new QRegExpValidator(regExp, this));
    // system("/bin/setserial /dev/ttyS0");
    AOid->setText(aoid);
    DIid->setText(diid);
    DOid->setText(doid);
    if (OpenPort() < 0) {
        return 0;
    }
    CommunicationLog->append("Serial port open");
    UpdateDigitalInput();
    UpdateAnalogInput();
    UpdateDigitalOutput();
    UpdateAnalogOutput();
    return 0;
}

/*
 * @brief
 * @param

```

```

    * @return
    */
/*!
   Function to
*/
void MainWindow::destroy(){
    CommunicationLog->append("Closing program down");
}

/***
 * @brief
 * @param
 * @return
 */
/*!
   Function to
*/
QString MainWindow::GetInput( QString command ){
    CommunicationLog->append(command);
    QString toreturn = "";
    QString tempstr = "";
    WritePort(command);
    usleep(100000);
    if (ReadPort(sResult,254) > 0) {
        toreturn = sResult;
        CommunicationLog->append(toreturn);
    }
    for(unsigned int i = 0; i<=toreturn.length() ;i++){
        if(toreturn[i] != 'x'){
            tempstr+=toreturn[i];
        }
    }
    toreturn = tempstr.simplifyWhiteSpace();
    return toreturn;
}

/***
 * @brief
 * @param
 * @return
 */
/*!
   Function to
*/
void MainWindow::UpdateAnalogInput(){
    QString hexstr;
    QString outputstr;
    // Sends instruction to do a single A/D conversion
    hexstr = GetInput("k");
    // Strips off the unused characters in string
    hexstr = hexstr.left( 2 );

    // Prepends characters before the Hex to Dec conversion
    hexstr = hexstr.prepend("0x");
    // Doing the Hex to Dec conversion
    bool ok;
    int voltage1 = hexstr.toInt(&ok, 16);
    // Typecasting the voltage value to a double
    double voltage2 = (double) voltage1 * 0.007843137;
    voltage2 *= 100.0;
    double param, fractpart, intpart;
    param = voltage2;
}

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fractpart = modf (param , &intpart);
if((fractpart*10.0)>4){
intpart++;
}
voltage2 = (double) intpart * 0.01;
outputstr.setNum(voltage2);
outputstr.append(" V");
LineEditAI->setText(outputstr);
}



```

```

my_termios.c_cflag = B9600 | CS8 |CREAD | CLOCAL | HUPCL;
    cfsetospeed(&my_termios, B57600);
    //cfsetospeed(&my_termios, B38400);
tcsetattr(fd, TCSANOW, &my_termios);
}
    return fd;
}

<*/
 * @brief
 * @param
 * @return
 */
/*!
Function to
*/
void MainWindow::ClosePort(){
    if (fd > 0) {
        close(fd);
    }
}

<*/
 * @brief
 * @param
 * @return
 */
/*!
Function to
*/
int MainWindow::ReadPort( char * psResponse, int iMax ){
    int iIn;
    if (fd < 1) {
        printf(" port is not open\n");
        return -1;
    }
    strncpy (psResponse, "N/A", iMax<4?iMax:4);
    iIn = read(fd, psResponse, iMax-1);
    if (iIn < 0) {
        if (errno == EAGAIN) {
            return 0;
        } else {
            printf("read error %d %s\n", errno, strerror(errno));
        }
    } else {
        psResponse[iIn<iMax?iIn:iMax] = '\0';
    }
    return iIn;
}

<*/
 * @brief
 * @param
 * @return
 */
/*!
Function to
*/
int MainWindow::WritePort( QString psOutput ){

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int iOut;
if (fd < 1) {
printf("Port is not open\n");
return -1;
}
iOut = write(fd, psOutput.ascii(), strlen(psOutput));
if (iOut < 0) {
printf("write error %d %s\n", errno, strerror(errno));
} else {
}
return iOut;
}

/*
 * @brief
 * @param
 * @return
 */
*/

Function to
*/
void MainWindow::UpdateDigitalInput(){
    QString hexstr;
    QString str = "s";
    str.append(diid);
    str.append("i");
    hexstr = GetInput(str);

    hexstr = hexstr.left( 2 );
    hexstr = hexstr.prepend("0x");
    bool ok;
    int value = hexstr.toInt(&ok, 16);

    if(value >= 128){
        DI8->setChecked(1);
        value -= 128;
    } else {
        DI8->setChecked(0);
    }
    if(value >= 64){
        DI7->setChecked(1);
        value -= 64;
    } else {
        DI7->setChecked(0);
    }
    if(value >= 32){
        DI6->setChecked(1);
        value -= 32;
    } else {
        DI6->setChecked(0);
    }
    if(value >= 16){
        DI5->setChecked(1);
        value -= 16;
    } else {
        DI5->setChecked(0);
    }
    if(value >= 8){
        DI4->setChecked(1);
        value -= 8;
    }
}


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    } else {
        DI4->setChecked(0);
    }
if(value >= 4){
    DI3->setChecked(1);
    value -= 4;
} else {
    DI3->setChecked(0);
}
if(value >= 2){
    DI2->setChecked(1);
    value -= 2;
} else {
    DI2->setChecked(0);
}
if(value >= 1){
    DI1->setChecked(1);
    value -= 1;
} else {
    DI1->setChecked(0);
}

<*/
 * @brief
 * @param
 * @return
 */
/*!
Function to
*/
void MainWindow::UpdateDigitalOutput(){
    QString str = "s";
    str.append(doid);
    str.append("o");
    int value = 0;
    if(DO8->isChecked()){
        value += 128;
    }
    if(DO7->isChecked()){
        value += 64;
    }
    if(DO6->isChecked()){
        value += 32;
    }
    if(DO5->isChecked()){
        value += 16;
    }
    if(DO4->isChecked()){
        value += 8;
    }
    if(DO3->isChecked()){
        value += 4;
    }
    if(DO2->isChecked()){
        value += 2;
    }
    if(DO1->isChecked()){
        value += 1;
    }
    QString tempstr = QString( "%1" ).arg( value, 0, 16 );
    if(tempstr.length() == 1){

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        tempstr.prepend("0");
    }
    str.append(tempstr);
    GetInput(str);
}

<*/
 * @brief Sets the new Analog Output Board id.
 * @return Void.
 */
/*!
Function to set the new Analog Output Board id by setting the id in a QString and inform the user
*/
void MainWindow::changeAOid(){
    aoid = AOid->text();
    CommunicationLog->append("Analog Output id changed");
    CommunicationLog->append(aoid);
}

<*/
 * @brief Sets the new Digital Input Board id.
 * @return Void.
 */
/*!
Function to set the new Digital Input Board id by setting the id in a QString and inform the user
*/
void MainWindow::changeDIid(){
    diid = DIid->text();
    CommunicationLog->append("Digital Input id changed");
    CommunicationLog->append(diid);
}

<*/
 * @brief Sets the new Digital Output Board id.
 * @return Void.
 */
/*!
Function to set the new Digital Output Board id by setting the id in a QString and inform the user
*/
void MainWindow::changeDOid(){
    doid = DOid->text();
    CommunicationLog->append("Digital Output id changed");
    CommunicationLog->append(doid);
}

```

## 7.9 Rapierproject code

This is the source code for the project file management system:

```
#!/bin/bash
DIALOG=${DIALOG=dialog}
tempfile="tempfile 2>/dev/null" || tempfile=/tmp/test$$
choice=
#WEBTARGET="/var/www/sfmirror"
WEBTARGET="karneevor@rapier.sourceforge.net:/home/groups/r/ra/rapier/htdocs"
trap "rm -f $tempfile" 0 1 2 5 15

function toggletarget(){
    if [ "$WEBTARGET" == "karneevor@rapier.sourceforge.net:/home/groups/r/ra/rapier/htdocs" ]
    then
        WEBTARGET="/var/www/sfmirror"
    else
        WEBTARGET="karneevor@rapier.sourceforge.net:/home/groups/r/ra/rapier/htdocs"
    fi
}

function UpdateZ8Documentation(){
    echo "Getting Z8 documentation"
    echo "running doxygen in Z8 code"
    cd /mnt/c-drev/rapier
    doxygen doxygen.conf
    echo "Updating the Z8 code documentation into latex"
    rsync -vut /mnt/c-drev/rapier/docs/latex/* /data/rapier-project/documentation/latex/z8/
    echo "Updating the Z8 code documentation into html"
    rsync -vut /mnt/c-drev/rapier/docs/html/* /data/rapier-project/sourceforge/html/documentation/z8/
    cd /data/rapier-project
}

function UpdateGUIDocumentation(){
    echo "Getting GUI documentation"
    echo "Running doxygen in GUI code"
    cd /data/rapier-project/software/gui
    doxygen doxygen.conf

    echo "Updating the GUI code documentation into latex"
    rsync -vut /data/rapier-project/software/gui/docs/latex/* /data/rapier-project/documentation/latex/gui/
    echo "Updating the GUI code documentation into html"
    rsync -vut /data/rapier-project/software/gui/docs/html/* /data/rapier-project/sourceforge/html/documentation/gui/
    cd /data/rapier-project
    sleep 4
}

function BackupTools(){
    echo "Backing up Tools ..."
    itctools --dir-full tools/
}

function BackupManagement(){
    echo "Backing up Management ..."
    itctools --dir-full management/
}

function BackupHardware(){
    echo "Backing up Hardware ..."
    itctools --dir-full hardware/
}

function BackupSoftware(){
    echo "Backing up software ..."
    itctools --dir-full software/
}

function BackupSourceForge(){
    echo "Backing up source forge ..."
    itctools --dir-full sourceforge/
}

function BackupDocumentation(){
    echo "Backing up documentation ..."
    itctools --dir-full documentation/
}

function MakeLatexTools(){
    echo "Making latex tools."
    cd tools/dds/
    tar czvf ../../sourceforge/html/tools/unitycircle.tgz unitycircle/*
    tar czvf ../../sourceforge/html/tools/sinuswave.tgz sinuswave/*
    cd ../..
}

function CleanUpBackups(){
    echo "Cleaning out backups."
    find . -name *~ -print -exec rm -v {} \;
    find . -name *backup -print -exec rm -v {} \;
    sleep 1
}

function MakeTarlatex(){
```

```

echo "Making a tar ball from the latex documentation."
cd documentation
tar czvf ../sourceforge/html/documentation/rapier.latex.tgz latex/*
cd ..
}

function Getrapierproject(){
    echo "Updating rapierproject."
    rsync -vut rapierproject
    rsync -vut rapierproject
}
sourceforge/html/tools/rapierproject
documentation/latex/sw-bmd/rapierproject

function Getittctools(){
    echo "Updating itctools."
    rsync -vut /usr/bin/itctools
}
sourceforge/html/tools/itctools

function Z8code(){
    echo "Collecting the Z8 source code."
    rsync -vut /mnt/c-drev/rapier/* software/z8/
    CleanUpBackups
    cd software/
    tar czvf ../sourceforge/html/sourcecode/z8.tgz z8/*
    cd ..
}

function GUIcode(){
    echo "Collecting the GUI code."
    rsync -vut /var/www/banshee/* software/web-gui/
    CleanUpBackups
    cd software/
    tar czvf ../sourceforge/html/sourcecode/gui.tgz gui/*
    cd ..
}

function BuildOnlineDocumentationFromPDF(){
    echo "Building online documentation from PDF."
    cd sourceforge/html/documentation/online/
    cp ./rapier.pdf ./
    pdftohtml -c rapier.pdf
    rm rapier.pdf
    cd ../../..
}

function CompileLatex(){
    echo "Compiling Latex."
    cd documentation/latex/
    echo "Compiling LaTeX files"
    latex rapier.tex
    cd ../..
}

function DVI2PDF(){
    echo "Creating PDF from DVI."
    cd documentation/latex/
    echo "DVI -> PDF"
    dvipdf rapier.dvi
    cd ../..
    mv documentation/latex/rapier.pdf sourceforge/html/documentation/
}

function UploadHomepage(){
    echo "Uploading homepage"
    echo "html"
    rsync -vut -e ssh sourceforge/html/*html $WEBTARGET/
    echo "jpg"
    rsync -vut -e ssh sourceforge/html/*jpg $WEBTARGET/
    echo "php"
    rsync -vut -e ssh sourceforge/html/*php $WEBTARGET/
    echo "pictures/"
    rsync -vut -e ssh sourceforge/html/pictures/* $WEBTARGET/pictures/
    echo "pics/"
    rsync -vut -e ssh sourceforge/html/pics/* $WEBTARGET/pics/
}

function UploadOnlineDocumentation(){
    echo "Uploading Online Documentation"
    echo "online"
    rsync -vut -e ssh sourceforge/html/documentation/online/* $WEBTARGET/documentation/online/
    echo "z8"
    rsync -vut -e ssh sourceforge/html/documentation/z8/* $WEBTARGET/documentation/z8/
    echo "gui"
    rsync -vut -e ssh sourceforge/html/documentation/gui/* $WEBTARGET/documentation/gui/
}

function UploadLatexDocumentation(){
    echo "Uploading Latex documentation"
    rsync -vut -e ssh sourceforge/html/documentation/rapier.latex.tgz $WEBTARGET/documentation/
}

function UploadPdfDocumentation(){
    echo "Uploading PDF documentation"
    rsync -vut -e ssh sourceforge/html/documentation/rapier.pdf $WEBTARGET/documentation/
}

function UploadSourceCode(){
    echo "Uploading Source Code"
    rsync -vut -e ssh sourceforge/html/sourcecode/* $WEBTARGET/sourcecode/
}

```

```

function UploadTools(){
    echo "Uploading Tools"
    rsync -vut -e ssh sourceforge/html/tools/* $WEBTARGET/tools/
}

function UploadApplicationNotes(){
    echo "Uploading Application Notes"
    rsync -vut -e ssh sourceforge/html/application_notes/* $WEBTARGET/application_notes/
}

function CopyPartlists(){
    echo "Getting Partlists"
    cp -v hardware/**/partlist.txt documentation/latex/hw-bnd/
}

function UpdatePhotos(){
    BASEDIRNAME[1]="documentation/photo"
    BASEDIRNAME[2]="documentation/photo"
    BASEDIRNAME[3]="documentation/photo"
    BASEDIRNAME[4]="documentation/photo"
    BASEDIRNAME[5]="documentation/photo"
    BASEDIRNAME[6]="documentation/photo"
    BASEDIRNAME[7]="documentation/photo"
    BASEDIRNAME[8]="documentation/photo"
    BASEDIRNAME[9]="documentation/photo"
    BASEDIRNAME[10]="documentation/photo"
    BASEDIRNAME[11]="documentation/photo"
    BASEDIRNAME[12]="documentation/photo"

    BASEDIRNAME[13]="test_and_measurement/analog_IO"
    BASEDIRNAME[14]="test_and_measurement/analog_IO"
    BASEDIRNAME[15]="test_and_measurement/analog_IO"
    BASEDIRNAME[16]="test_and_measurement/analog_IO"

    BASEFILENAME[1]="ab-button-photo"
    BASEFILENAME[2]="ab-top-photo"
    BASEFILENAME[3]="aib-photo"
    BASEFILENAME[4]="aob-photo"
    BASEFILENAME[5]="aib-photo"
    BASEFILENAME[6]="aob-photo"
    BASEFILENAME[7]="full-system1-photo"
    BASEFILENAME[8]="full-system2-photo"
    BASEFILENAME[9]="spb-photo"
    BASEFILENAME[10]="z8-photo"
    BASEFILENAME[11]="loop_output_to_input"
    BASEFILENAME[12]="aob2v"

    BASEFILENAME[13]="ad-linearity"
    BASEFILENAME[14]="da-linearity"
    BASEFILENAME[15]="dad-linearity"
    BASEFILENAME[16]="user-input-linearity"

    for index in 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16
    do
        echo ""
        echo ""
        echo "Managing ${BASEDIRNAME[index]} \ ${BASEFILENAME[index]}"
        echo ""
        BASEDIRNAME="${BASEDIRNAME[index]}"
        BASEFILENAME="${BASEFILENAME[index]}"
        convert -verbose $BASEDIRNAME/$BASEFILENAME.jpg sourceforge/html/pictures/$BASEFILENAME.jpg
        convert -verbose -resize 800x600 $BASEDIRNAME/$BASEFILENAME.jpg sourceforge/html/pictures/$BASEFILENAME-half.jpg
        convert -verbose -size 240x240 -resize 240x240 $BASEDIRNAME/$BASEFILENAME.jpg sourceforge/html/pictures/$BASEFILENAME-thumbnail.jpg
        convert -verbose -colors 256 -density 75x75 -compress JPEG $BASEDIRNAME/$BASEFILENAME.jpg documentation/latex/pictures/$BASEFILENAME.eps
    done
}

function UpdateSchematics(){
    echo "Updating pictures"

    BASEDIRNAME[1]="hardware/adaptor_board"
    BASEDIRNAME[2]="hardware/analog_input_board"
    BASEDIRNAME[3]="hardware/analog_output_board"
    BASEDIRNAME[4]="hardware/digital_input_board"
    BASEDIRNAME[5]="hardware/digital_output_board"
    BASEDIRNAME[6]="hardware/monitoring_and_power_board"
    BASEDIRNAME[7]="hardware/monitoring_and_power_board"

    BASEFILENAME[1]="ab-schematic"
    BASEFILENAME[2]="aib-schematic"
    BASEFILENAME[3]="aob-schematic"
    BASEFILENAME[4]="aib-schematic"
    BASEFILENAME[5]="aob-schematic"
    BASEFILENAME[6]="spb-Schematic"
    BASEFILENAME[7]="power_cable"

    for index in 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
    do
        echo ""
        echo ""
        echo "Managing ${BASEDIRNAME[index]} \ ${BASEFILENAME[index]}"
        echo ""
        BASEDIRNAME="${BASEDIRNAME[index]}"
        BASEFILENAME="${BASEFILENAME[index]}"
        convert -verbose -colors 4 -compress BZip +antialias -density 150x150 +dither $BASEDIRNAME/$BASEFILENAME.png documentation/latex/pictures/$BASEFILENAME.eps
        convert -verbose -size 240x240 -resize 240x240 $BASEDIRNAME/$BASEFILENAME.png sourceforge/html/pictures/$BASEFILENAME-thumbnail.jpg
    done
}

```

```

        convert -verbose $BASEDIRNAME/$BASEFILENAME.png sourceforge/html/pictures/$BASEFILENAME.jpg
done
}

function UpdateCircuitDescriptionSchematics(){
echo "Updating pictures"

BASEFILENAME[1]="address-comparator"
BASEFILENAME[2]="board-selection"
BASEFILENAME[3]="bus-input"
BASEFILENAME[4]="bus-output"
BASEFILENAME[5]="current-to-voltage"
BASEFILENAME[6]="da-converter"
BASEFILENAME[7]="led-driver"
BASEFILENAME[8]="opto-coupled-input"
BASEFILENAME[9]="surge-protection"

for index in 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
do
echo ""
echo ""
echo ""
echo "Managing hardware/circuit-description \ ${BASEFILENAME[index]}"
echo ""
BASEDIRNAME="hardware/circuit-description"
BASEFILENAME="\${BASEFILENAME[index]}"
convert -verbose -colors 4 -compress BZip +antialias -density 150x150 +dither $BASEDIRNAME/$BASEFILENAME.png documentation/latex/pictures/$BASEFILENAME.eps
done
}

function UpdateCalculationIllustrations(){
echo "Updating calculation illustrations"
rsync -vut hardware/calculation_illustrations/*eps documentation/latex/calculations/illustrations/
}

function UpdateBlockDiagrams(){
echo "Updating block diagrams"
rsync -vut documentation/illustrations/*eps documentation/latex/pictures/
rsync -vut documentation/software/gui/*eps documentation/latex/pictures/
}

while [ "$choice" != "q" ]
do
$DIALOG --clear --title "Rapier project" \
--menu "Choose an action:" 49 130 44 \
"Change upload target" "Currently uploading to: $WEBTARGET." \
"Everything" "Do everything. Takes a very long time." \
"DocumentationUploadBackup" "Updates documentation, upload documentation, backup everything." \
"Illustrations" "Update all illustrations." \
"Illustrations->Photos" "Update photos into docs and html." \
"Illustrations->Schematics" "Update schematics into docs and html." \
"Illustrations->CircuitDescriptions" "Update circuit description schematics into docs." \
"Illustrations->Calculations" "Update Calculation illustrations into docs." \
"Illustrations->BlockDiagrams" "Update Block Diagrams into docs." \
"Documentation" "All jobs on documentation." \
"Documentation->Partlists" "Copy partlists into documentation(latex)." \
"Documentation->Tar Latex" "Creates a tar ball of latex." \
"Documentation->Latex" "Compile Latex." \
"Documentation->DVI->PDF" "Build Online Documentation from PDF." \
"Documentation->Online" "Updating Z8 code documentation" \
"Documentation->Z8Code" "Updating GUI code documentation" \
"Documentation->GUIDebug" "All jobs on Source Code." \
"SourceCode" "Z8 Source Code." \
"SourceCode->Z8" "GUI Source Code." \
"SourceCode->GUI" "All jobs on tools." \
"Tools" "Collects Rapier Project software" \
"Tools->RapierProject" "Collects utilitools software" \
"Tools->itttools" "Collects latex tools software" \
"Tools->LatexTools" "All upload jobs." \
"Upload" "Upload html to sourceforge.net." \
"Upload->HTML" "Upload Online Documentation to sourceforge.net." \
"Upload->Online Documentation" "Upload Latex Documentation to sourceforge.net." \
"Upload->PDF Documentation" "Upload PDF Documentation to sourceforge.net." \
"Upload->Tools" "Upload tools to sourceforge.net." \
"Upload->SourceCode" "Upload Source Code to sourceforge.net." \
"Upload->ApplicationNotes" "Upload Application Notes to sourceforge.net." \
"Backup" "All backup jobs." \
"Backup->Software" "Backup all software." \
"Backup->SourceForge" "Backup SourceForge." \
"Backup->Documentation" "Backup Documentation." \
"Backup->Hardware" "Backup Hardware." \
"Backup->Management" "Backup Management." \
"Backup->Tools" "Backup Tools." \
2> $tempfile

$retval=$?

choice='cat $tempfile'

case $retval in
0)
#####
if [ "$choice" = "Change upload target" ]
then
    toggletarget
fi
#####
if [ "$choice" = "Illustrations->Photos" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Illustrations" ]

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    then
        UpdatePhotos
    fi
    if [ "$choice" == "Illustrations->Schematics" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Illustrations" ]
    then
        UpdateSchematics
    fi
    if [ "$choice" == "Illustrations->CircuitDescriptions" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Illustrations" ]
    then
        UpdateCircuitDescriptionSchematics
    fi
    if [ "$choice" == "Illustrations->Calculations" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Illustrations" ]
    then
        UpdateCalculationIllustrations
    fi
    if [ "$choice" == "Illustrations->BlockDiagrams" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Illustrations" ]
    then
        UpdateBlockDiagrams
    fi
#####
if [ "$choice" == "Documentation->Partlists" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Documentation" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    CopyPartlists
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Documentation->Latex" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Documentation" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    CompileLatex
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Documentation->DVI->PDF" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Documentation" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    DVIZ2PDF
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Documentation->Online" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Documentation" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    BuildOnlineDocumentationFromPDF
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Documentation->Tar Latex" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Documentation" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    MakeTarlatex
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Documentation->Z8Code" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Documentation" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    UpdateZ8Documentation
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Documentation->GUIDoc" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Documentation" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    UpdateGUIDocumentation
fi
#####
if [ "$choice" == "SourceCode->Z8" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "SourceCode" ]
then
    Z8code
fi
if [ "$choice" == "SourceCode->GUI" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "SourceCode" ]
then
    GUIcode
fi
#####
if [ "$choice" == "Tools->Rapierproject" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Tools" ]
then
    Getrapierproject
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Tools->itctools" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Tools" ]
then
    Getitctools
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Tools->LatexTools" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Tools" ]
then
    MakeLatexTools
fi
#####
if [ "$choice" == "Upload->HTML" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Upload" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    UploadHomepage
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Upload->Online Documentation" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Upload" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    UploadOnlineDocumentation
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Upload->Latex Documentation" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Upload" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    UploadLatexDocumentation
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Upload->PDF Documentation" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Upload" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    UploadPdfDocumentation
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Upload->Tools" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Upload" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    UploadTools
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Upload->SourceCode" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Upload" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    UploadSourceCode
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Upload->ApplicationNotes" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Upload" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    UploadApplicationNotes
fi

```

```
#####
if [ "$choice" == "Backup->Software" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Backup" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    BackupSoftware
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Backup->Source Forge" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Backup" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    BackupSourceForge
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Backup->Documentation" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Backup" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    BackupDocumentation
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Backup->Hardware" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Backup" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    BackupHardware
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Backup->Management" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Backup" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    BackupManagement
fi
if [ "$choice" == "Backup->Tools" -o "$choice" == "Everything" -o "$choice" == "Backup" -o "$choice" == "DocumentationUploadBackup" ]
then
    BackupTools
fi

echo "Jobs done!!"
sleep 1
;;
1)
choice="q";
255)
choice="q";
esac

done
clear
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## 7.10 Unnumbered pages

The last part of the project is pages copied from various sources. These pages are not numbered.