



Association for Standardisation of
Automation and Measuring Systems

ASAM ACI

Automatic Calibration Interface

Part 1 of 2

Programmers Guide

Version 1.4.0

Date: 2014-06-30

Base Standard

Disclaimer

This document is the copyrighted property of ASAM e.V.
Any use is limited to the scope described in the license terms. The license
terms can be viewed at www.asam.net/license

Table of Contents

Foreword	7
1 Introduction	8
1.1 Overview	8
1.2 Motivation	10
1.3 Scope	10
2 Relations to Other Standards	12
2.1 Backward Compatibility to Earlier Releases	12
2.2 New Features	12
2.3 References to Other Standards	12
3 System structure	13
3.1 Architecture	13
3.2 TestBedManager and TestBed	14
3.3 ACI Services	14
3.4 General Conditions	18
4 ACI Interfaces	19
4.1 Models of General Interfaces.....	19
4.1.1 Root Interface	19
4.1.2 ITestBedManager and ITestBed Interface.....	19
4.1.2.1 Status Diagram for ITestBed	20
4.1.3 Service Base Interfaces	21
4.1.3.1 Channel Related Service Base Interfaces	21
4.1.3.2 non-channel related Service Base Interfaces.....	22
4.1.4 Service Action Interfaces.....	24
4.1.4.1 Status Diagram for IServiceAction	24
4.1.5 Watchdog Interfaces	26
4.1.5.1 Status Diagram for IWatchDog	27
4.1.6 Client Base Interfaces	28
4.2 Models of Service Interfaces	29
4.2.1 Player Service	29
4.2.2 Recorder Service	30
4.2.3 Watcher Service.....	31
4.2.4 Device Service	32
4.3 Multiple measurements.....	33
5 Use Cases	35
5.1 Initialization.....	35
5.1.1 Connecting the SP	35
5.1.2 Get the Services	35

5.2 Using Channel Services.....	36
5.2.1 Channel Callbacks	38
5.2.2 Using the Player Service	40
5.2.2.1 General	40
5.2.2.2 Set An Operating Point.....	41
5.2.2.3 Perform a Variation.....	43
5.2.3 Using the Recorder Service	45
5.2.3.1 General	45
5.2.3.2 untriggered measurement.....	46
5.2.3.3 triggered measurement	47
5.2.3.4 Create and setup a mean value measurement	47
5.2.3.5 Create and setup an actual value measurement.....	49
5.2.3.6 Usage of Multi measurements	51
5.2.4 Using the Watcher Service.....	52
5.2.4.1 General	52
5.2.4.2 Create, set up and start a limit.....	53
5.3 Using Non-Channel Services.....	55
5.3.1 Using the Device Service	55
5.3.1.1 General	55
5.3.1.2 Use a predefined device method	55
5.4 Using the Watchdog	57
5.4.1 General	57
5.4.2 Setup A Watchdog	58
5.5 Characteristic Handling	59
6 Trigger	62
6.1 General.....	62
6.1.1 Used Interfaces.....	62
6.1.2 General Functionality	62
6.1.3 Storage Capacity	63
6.1.4 Behaviour of IServicActionMethods related with trigger-oriented data sampling	63
6.1.5 Validity of the ILimit Subscriber lists	63
6.1.6 Length of a subscriber list	64
6.1.7 Deleteing IMeasurements by the client.....	64
6.2 Behaviour.....	64
6.2.1 Only Start Trigger.....	65
6.2.2 Different variants in behaviour.....	67
6.2.2.1 Variant 1: no delay.....	67
6.2.2.2 Variant 2: negative delay, where calculated start time is after the IMeasurement.Start	68
6.2.2.3 Variant 3: negative delay, where calculated start time is before the IMeasurement.Start	69
6.2.2.4 Variant 4: positive delay	70
6.2.3 Only Stop Trigger	70
6.2.3.1 Sequence Diagram for Only Stop Trigger	70
6.2.4 Different variants in behaviour.....	73
6.2.4.1 Variant 1: no delay.....	73
6.2.4.2 Variant 2: positive delay, where calculated stop time is inside the buffer range	74

6.2.4.3 Variant 3: positive delay, where calculated stop time is outside the buffer range.....	75
6.2.5 Start and stop trigger without intersection	75
6.2.5.1 Sequence Diagram for Start and Stop Trigger	76
6.2.6 Different variants in behaviour.....	78
6.2.6.1 Variant 1: No delay for both trigger	80
6.2.6.2 Variant 2: Negative Delay (inside) for Start and no delay for Stop trigger.....	81
6.2.6.3 Variant 3: Negative Delay (outside) for Start and no delay for Stop trigger.....	82
6.2.6.4 Variant 4: Positive Delay (inside) for Start and no delay for Stop trigger.....	83
6.2.6.5 Variant 5: Positive Delay (outside) for Start and no delay for Stop trigger.....	84
6.2.6.6 Variant 6: No delay for Start and positive Delay (inside) for Stop trigger.....	85
6.2.6.7 Variant 7: Negative Delay (inside) for Start and positive Delay (inside) for Stop trigger	86
6.2.6.8 Variant 8: Negative Delay (outside) for Start and positive Delay (inside) for Stop trigger	87
6.2.6.9 Variant 9: Positive Delay (inside) for Start and for Stop trigger.....	88
6.2.6.10 Variant 10: Positive Delay (outside) for Start and positive Delay (inside) for Stop trigger	89
6.2.6.11 Variant 11: No delay for Start and positive Delay (outside) for Stop trigger.....	90
6.2.6.12 Variant 12: Negative Delay (inside) for Start and positive Delay (outside) for Stop trigger	91
6.2.6.13 Variant 13: Negative Delay (outside) for Start and positive Delay (outside) for Stop trigger	92
6.2.6.14 Variant 14: Positive Delay (inside) for and positive Delay (outside) for Stop trigger	93
6.2.6.15 Variant 15: Positive Delay (outside) for Start and for Stop trigger	94
6.2.6.16 Variant 16 to 20: Stop Trigger outside the buffer range	94
6.2.7 Start and stop Trigger with intersection	95
6.2.8 Stop Trigger before Start Trigger.....	96
7 Known Bugs	98
7.1 TimeZone	98
7.2 Tolerances used at SetValue/GetValue, SetPlayerSequenceValue/GetPlayerSequenceValue	98
8 Terms and Definitions	99
9 Symbols and Abbreviated Terms	101
10 Bibliography	102
Appendix: A. FAQ	103
A.1. Callbacks	103

A.2. Using of types.....	103
A.3. Behaviour of PlayerSequence	104
A.4. State Transitions	104
A.5. ServiceAction	104
Figure Directory	105
Table Directory	107

Foreword

ASAM ACI is used in the area of ECU optimization and power train calibration. The standard connects the automatic calibration systems to the test bed automation system (AUSY). The interface consists of an object-oriented, client-server API, which offers services that are requested by the ACS (the client) and carried out by the AUSY (the server).

The services allow the ACS to preset the test bed environment, request specific measurement tasks and retrieve the measurement values from the AUSY. Based on these services, an ACS can automatically run a set of predefined tests, modify tests based upon earlier test results and even modify ECU calibration parameters of the test bed environment. The AUSY encapsulate the different test bed environment parameters and measurements by channels.

ASAM ACI (Automatic Calibration Interface) defines an interface between test stand automation systems (AUSY) and automated calibration systems (ACS).

The standard consists of:

- an specification as part 1 of the standard (explanation of the basics and interrelations of the services)
- an UML model as definition of the object oriented API
- mapping rules (which define the transformation from the generic model to the specific interface reference; additionally, the usage of the CORBA name service is described)¹ and
- the idl file (as CORBA technology Interface reference for the implementation of the interface at Client and Server-Side). Client and server can use different idl file versions.

To read the model content without a specific software tool, a Programmers Reference Guide as part 2 of the standard is published. This Guide contains the information's from the whole model, as generated report.

¹ The Corba technology reference mapping rules are not part of this version package. They are referenced to version 1.3.1 [2]