

Editor for Control System Panels & Runtime Engine

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Motivation

- We don't want do design all panels in the controls group (Flash: ~ 1300 control panels)
- Non-programmers / subsystem experts should develop graphical control panels
- Synaptical display editor: simple creation of control panels with a set of standard components: text, buttons, graphical components, values, dials, plots, "If", animated components
- Replace old ddd (DOOCS data display, C++)
- → jddd (Java DOOCS data display)



Jddd Implementation

- Use JAVA for platform independence
- Standard JAVA technology (Swing, Java Beans)
- Save panels in xml file format
- Central storage of jddd and designed panels
- We decided to write a **completely new editor** because:
 - Independence of external libraries
 - Highest flexibility
- Demands on the editor:
 - Stability, extendability, standard functionality, ergonomic and intuitive machine interface



jddd Architecture





jddd Editor



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33 jddd components

Pane Components:

- LayeredPane
- TabbedPane
- IncludeComponent
- DynamicList
- Alive

Static Components:

- Label
- Line
- Oval
- Rectangle
- Triangle
- Icon

Dynamic Components:

- Button
- ToggleButton
- Value
- Dial
- TextField
- ComboBox
- CheckBox
- ProgressBar
- Slider
- StatusRegister
- Audio
- ColouredIndicator
- LocationChooser
- Cameralmage
- TextArea
- DeviceTree

Logic Components:

- If
- Switch

Plot Component:

- PlotSpectrum
- PlotHist
- PlotLocation
- PlotXY

New Components



Pane Components





Pane Components

Dynamic List

in edit mode:

DynamicList of pump stations						
Name	Rotation Speed	current	Status			
Value	Value	no value +		1		
				L		
				J		

in run mode:

Name	Rotation Speed	current	Status
7ACC6.1.PS	734.496	0.70	
PS.86	0.000	0.00 +	
PS.85	0.000	0.00 -	
PS.115	0.000	0.00 +	
PS.111	0.000	0.77	
PS.119	0.000	0.00 -	
PS.117	0.000	0.00 -	
PS.120	0.000	0.00 -	
PS.45	565.470	0.00 +	
PS.112	0.000	0.00 -	
PS.113	0.000	1.08 -	
PS.116	779.880	0.00 -	
PS.43	0.000	0.00 *	
PS.114	0.000	0.00	



Static Components













Buttons with different functions:

- Set one or multiple control system values
- Open new window, replace window, override window
- Execute shell command
- Print panel
- Help (opens a predefined web page in a browser)
- Set component property (to set one or multiple property values)

Button



Buttons with Set Component Property function:



Logic Components

Switch: selects one of multiple layers





Plot Components

e.g.: time domain plot displaying multiple spectra:

- with * in location field of address
- by drag&drop





Plot Components

Time domain, History, Logic, Location, and XY plots with mathematical functions for online data analysis, autoscale







jddd Special Features

- Address Chooser and Inheritance
- Layers
- Thumbnail preview
- Subversion browser
- Plugin interface
- Export for high level applications









Address Inheritance





Plugin Interface

ACOP and Tango widgets can be included

A plugin.jar is needed containing wrapper classes for all Java beans. The wrapper defines the list of properties.

The beans keep their direct connection to the control system.





jddd for High Level Applications

1) Export jddd panels as Java source code:

- export as JFrame or JPanel
- Disadvantage: Panels can't be revised with the jddd editor after the export.

2) Use jddd panels as Java Beans:

- Create a java application and add the following lines to insert a jddd panel as Java Bean: jdddPanel panel = new jdddpanel(); panel.setXmlFile(new java.io.File("/home/ttflinac/jdddFileName.xml"));
- To access components of the jddd panel: DOOCSOval oval1 = (DOOCSOval)panel.getDoocsComponent("LayeredPane1/Oval1"); oval1.setDoocsFillColor(Color.orange);



jddd Layers

All layers on

"Magnets" layers off







Thumbnail Preview on Web-Browser

- screenshot of the panel shrinked to 10% of its original size
- included in the XML file to get a quick panel preview

The following table is created dynamically from jddd XML files using an XSL transformation. The XSL transformation extracts the component name, author, description and thumbnail from the XML files.

Component name	Author	Description	Thumbnail
GunSection.xml	E. Sombrowski	jddd test panel of the gun section.	
TTF2_injector.xml	K.Rehlich	TTF2 injector panel converted from ddd.	
p3_overview_win.xml	M. Boehnert	Petra 3 vacuum overview.	Endwarf



File Browser: Central File Store with Subversion

Subversion (SVN) repository to handle versioning of panels

New development using the Svnkit library http://svnkit.com





PETRA Vacuum Controls: Sector SL



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PETRA vacuum controls





Experience

- A Java editor as powerful as the editor of Netbeans or Eclipse, but less resource hungry.
- Quick start with a single mouse click in a web browser.
- Simple creation of complex control panels for non-programmers.
- Rich set of ready-made components/widgets, including:
 - Clever logic components to animate graphics.
 - Plot components with online data analysis.
- External Java beans can be used as jddd plugin.
- Files are kept in a centrally hosted subversion repository for proper bookkeeping and history tracking.
- Access to multiple control systems: currently DOOCS and TINE.
- The implementation of TANGO is under development.



Outlook

API improvements:

- Read history data from the data acquisition system (DAQ)
- Improved interface to TANGO and new interface to EPICS control systems

List of Priorities:

List will be available on our jddd homepage



How to start jddd

Java Webstart links on http://jddd.desy.de/



Thank you for your attention !



