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Chapter 1. Introduction

1.1. When to use the different Cogent APIs

There are four Cogent APIs, grouped as:

- DataHub APIs for C++, Java, and .NET
- Cogent C API

The DataHub APIs for C++, Java, and .NET

These three APIs share, as much as possible, common methods and syntax. For this reason they are distributed in one package and documented in a single book.

- **The DataHub API for C++** lets you write programs in C++ that connect to the DataHub over TCP, namely LAN, WAN, or the Internet.
- **The DataHub API for Java** lets you write programs in Java that connect to the DataHub over TCP, namely LAN, WAN, or the Internet. In addition, it lets you [create web browser applications](#) that receive and display live data from the DataHub.
- **The DataHub API for .NET** lets you write programs in .NET that connect to the DataHub over TCP, namely LAN, WAN, or the Internet. This API is implemented in C#, but can be used with any .NET language.

The following table shows the availability and support for these APIs in Windows, Linux, and QNX:

Language	Windows	Linux	QNX 6	QNX 4
C++	supported	unsupported	unsupported	unsupported
Java	supported	unsupported	unsupported	not available
.NET	supported	may be available using Mono	not available	not available

The Cogent C API

This API lets you write high-speed clients that can interact with the Cascade DataHub, Cascade Historian, Cascade TextLogger, CIF Driver, DVN Driver, PFB Driver, and Gamma. It works in Linux, QNX 6, and QNX 4. Interprocess communication relies on Send/Receive/Reply message passing. In Linux, this is supported by Cogent's SRR Module. In QNX, this is supported by QNX's own Send/Receive/Reply protocol.



For more information on this API, please refer to the Cogent C API manual.

1.2. Preliminaries

The DataHub APIs for C++, Java, and .NET are made up of two classes, [DataHubConnector](#) and [DataHubPoint](#) whose methods allow you to interface with the DataHub.

System Requirements

The DataHub APIs for C++, Java, and .NET are compatible with:

- Windows XP Home & Professional
- Windows 2000
- Windows NT 4.0 - All Service Packs should be installed.

Installation

To install the DataHub APIs for C++, Java, and .NET from an archive downloaded from the Cogent web site, follow these steps:

1. Double-click on the program archive `DataHubAPI6.4-xxxxxx-Windows.exe`.
2. Follow the instructions.

To install the DataHub APIs for C++, Java, and .NET from the Cascade Middleware CD, follow these steps:

1. Insert the CD into the drive.
2. Follow the instructions.

1.3. C++ Programming

The C++ API is intended for application programmers who are working in an unmanaged C++ environment in Windows MFC, Windows ATL, Linux, or QNX.



To optimize throughput between your program and the DataHub when using the C++ API, you can use the [sendBinaryPointMessages](#) method.

Include Statement for Windows:

```
#include <DataHubConnector.h>
```

Include Statement for Linux, QNX4, and QNX6:

```
#include <cogent/DataHubConnector.h>
```

1.4. Java Programming

The Java API implements the [DataHubConnector](#) class as the basic class used to communicate with the DataHub. Programmers writing stand-alone applications need only the [DataHubConnector](#) and [DataHubPoint](#) classes.

Java Class Overview

The following classes are included in the Java API installation. They are informally arranged here to give some idea of the interrelationships:

Classes used for general programming

- **DataHubConnector** provides connectivity to the DataHub.
- **DataHubEventConsumer** implements callbacks for [DataHubConnector](#).
- **DataHubEventDispatcher** is an interface that extends [DataHubEventConsumer](#) class, and is used by the [DataHubBaseApplet](#) class (see below).

- **DataHubPoint** represents DataHub point objects.

Classes used for web programming

- **DataHubBaseApplet** is the applet that makes connections to the DataHub. It provides access to all the data in a single domain. There need be only one DataHubBaseApplet per HTML page, because individual connections are made using DataHubListener (see below). The following two classes extend the DataHubBaseApplet class:
 - **DataHubViewer** displays a table of all the data in the domain. It implements DataHubEventConsumer.
 - **DataHubLink** is used to instantiate a DataHubBaseApplet for supporting DataHubListener widgets. It embeds a small text message "Powered by Cogent" in the page, and it's color: red, yellow, or green, indicates the status of the link.
- **DataHubListener** is an applet that gets data from a specific point or points in the DataHub. It is a parasite in the sense that it relies on the connection to the DataHub provided by a DataHubBaseApplet. You can use any number of DataHubListeners per HTML page, without noticeably affecting the rate of data throughput to the page. The following three widgets are extended from DataHubListener:
 - **DataHubLabel** displays the value of a DataHub point.
 - **DataHubEntryField** is an entry field for changing the value of a DataHub point.
 - **DataHubButton** sends a value for a DataHub point.
 - **DataHubToggleButton** toggles a DataHub point between two values.
 - **DataHubCheckBox** toggles a DataHub point between two values.
 - **DataHubRadioButton** a special button, used in a DataHubRadioGroup.
 - **DataHubRadioGroup** a group of DataHubRadioButtons that provides a way to select one of several mutually-exclusive values for a DataHub point.
 - **DataHubSlider** changes the value of a DataHub point by sliding a pointer.
 - **DataHubSpinner** sets the value of a DataHub point using up and down arrows.
 - **DataHubProgressBar** gives a graphical representation of the value of a DataHub point.
- **DataHubDummy** is provided as a convenience to the HTML programmer.

For internal use

- **DataHubRendezvous** provides a meeting point for the DataHubBaseApplet and all of the DataHubListener widgets on the page. It is for internal use, providing static data that gets initialized before any applet starts, giving all the applets a means of finding one another.

Import Statements

```
import cogent.*;
```

or

```
import cogent.DataHubConnector;
import cogent.DataHubPoint;
```

1.5. .NET Programming

The .NET API is written in C#, and implements the `DataHubConnector` class. You can compile the file `DHNetAPI.cs` to create a .NET library that can be used by any .NET language, such as Visual Basic .NET.

The .NET installation includes a test program that can be used to connect to an existing DataHub to view data graphically. The two data sets supported are the "DataSim" data generated by the local DataSim program, or the "test" data generated by the Internet data set at <http://developers.cogentrts.com>. The .NET test program will arrange its graph based on the domain name chosen.

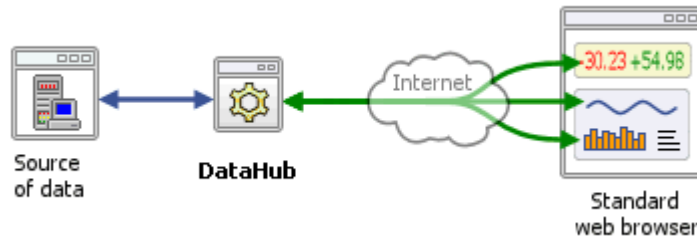
Requirement Statement

```
using Cogent.DataHubAPI;
```

Chapter 2. Web Programming with Java

2.1. Overview

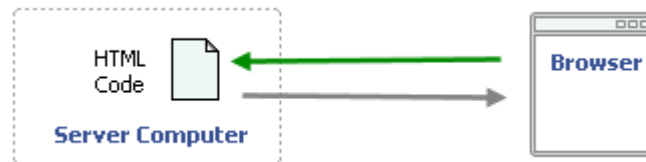
The DataHub lets you put live data into Java applets that are embedded in a web page. When someone visits the web page, the Java applet attaches to the DataHub and the applet starts to receive live data updates without refreshing the page.



Here is an overview of how your code gets live data from the DataHub to a web page.

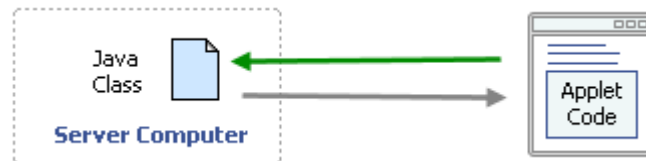
1. The Browser Loads the HTML

- The web browser follows the URL to the web server.
- The web server returns the HTML code for the page.



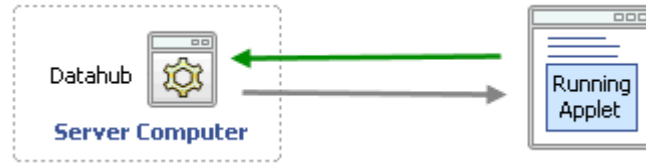
2. The Browser Loads the Java code

- The browser reads the HTML code and encounters the embedded APPLET code.
- The APPLET code instructs the browser to go back to the web server and load the Java code.
- The web server provides the Java code.



3. The Browser runs the Java code

- The browser runs the Java code (in the Java Virtual Machine).
- The Java code instructs the Java VM to connect to the DataHub running on the server computer. From that point on, all communication is between the Java applet and the DataHub only. The web server is not involved.
- In the browser, the Java code tells the Java plug-in how to display the information coming from the DataHub.



2.2. Working with Java Applets

The DataHub offers a mechanism for displaying live data in a web browser through Sun's Java plug-in. The DataHub API defines a number of Java applets, each of which can display one or more data points. An applet can be as simple as a text field, or as complex as a data table. Web pages typically contain more than one applet, each displaying a specific item of information.

2.2.1. Connecting

Java applets connect to the DataHub via a private TCP connection. This connection uses the Tunnel/Mirror functionality of the DataHub. So you must configure your DataHub as a Tunnelling/Mirror Master for a Java applet to connect. The Java applet must be configured to use the same port number that the DataHub is configured to use in the mirroring or tunnelling master configuration.

There are two types of applets supplied with the DataHub API. The first is a [DataHubBaseApplet](#), which is an applet that opens the TCP socket to the DataHub and manages the data flow between the browser and the DataHub. The second type is a [DataHubListener](#), which is a screen element that communicates with a [DataHubBaseApplet](#) for its live data. This arrangement means that even though there may be several applets on a single web page, they can share a single connection to the DataHub. This is significant since the DataHub requires a TCP Link License for each concurrent connection.

2.2.2. Applet Configuration

Java applets are configured through parameters in the HTML source for the web page. Different applets can accept different arguments. No argument may appear more than once per applet. Please refer to [Section 2.5.2, Example HTML coding](#) for examples.

2.2.3. Specifying Colors

Some applet parameters require a color specification. Colors are specified in hexadecimal as RGB values. Colors may optionally contain an alpha blending parameter. The color may optionally start with a # character. This is helpful to mark a string as a color for easier readability. A complete color specification would be: #AARRGGBB where AA is two hexadecimal digits specifying an alpha value from 00 (transparent) to FF (opaque). RR, GG and BB specify red, green and blue values from 00 (none) to FF (full) brightness. A fully opaque color may be truncated to as few as 1 character. For example, #ff would indicate pure blue, and #ff00 would be pure green. If the color requires an alpha value other than FF (opaque) then all 8 characters of the color must be specified. Thus, #800000ff would be 50% transparent blue. #00000000 would be fully transparent black, which would be invisible.

2.2.4. Customization

This DataHub API contains the complete Java source code for the Java applets and TCP connection classes. You can create your own applets to display data in any form that you like, using this DataHub API source as a starting point.

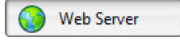
2.2.5. Browser Limitations

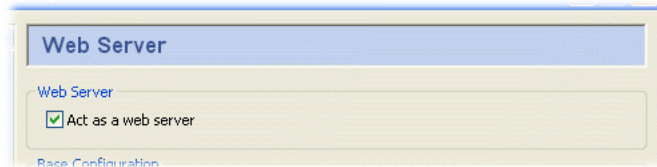
Internet Explorer versions 6 and 7 cannot display a large number of Java applets on a single page. The limit is variable, but is in the vicinity of 15 applets per page. Mozilla Firefox can reliably display around 200 applets per page, but it may crash with larger numbers of applets on a page.

You can work around browser limitations by using the [DataHubTable](#) applet, or by designing your own applets to display more information per applet, thereby reducing the total number of applets on a page.

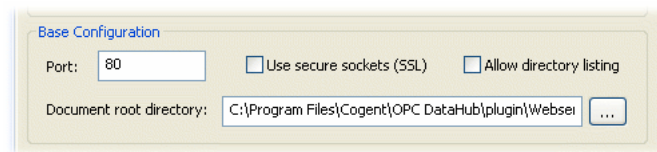
2.3. Configuring the DataHub Web Server

To configure the DataHub Web Server, follow these steps:

1. With the DataHub running, right click on the DataHub system-tray icon and choose Properties.
2. In the Properties window, select Web Server .
3. Check the Act as web server box.



4. The DataHub Web Server is preconfigured to run on port number 80, but you might need to change that setting in the Base Configuration section:

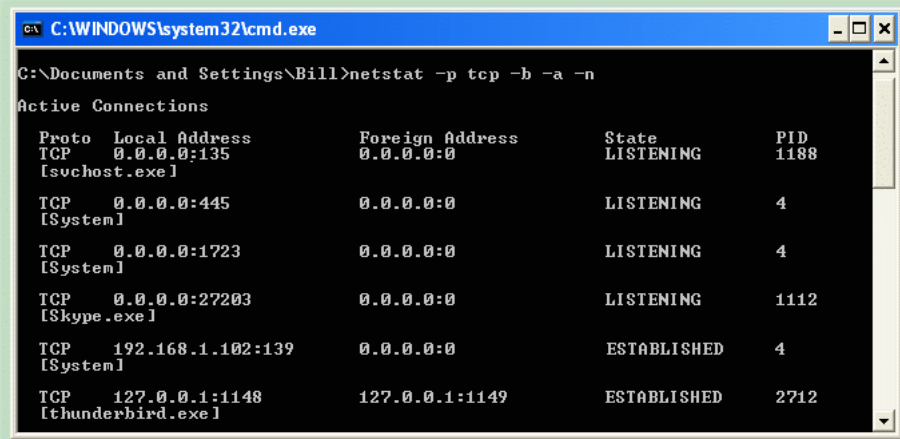


Windows allows multiple users on a single TCP port, and never refuses a connection. However, this can cause irregular behavior. It is essential that the DataHub Web Server be the exclusive user of a port.

To get a list of which ports are in use on your machine, follow these steps:

- a. From the Windows Start menu, choose Run.
- b. Enter the executable name **cmd.exe** and click OK.
- c. At the command prompt, type:

```
netstat -p tcp -b -a -n
```



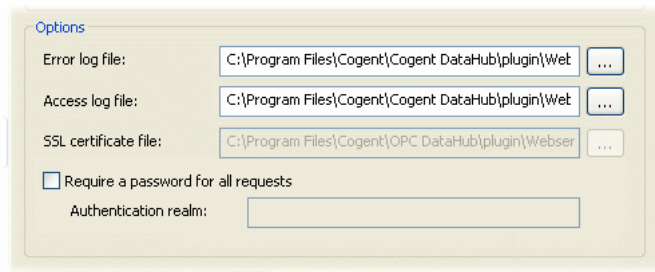
The result is a table showing the tcp protocol and executable name of all programs in use. There are two columns of interest: Local Address and State. In Local Address, the numbers at the end (after the colon) are the port number that the process is using. The State column shows the state of that process. The only state we are interested in is LISTENING. Whatever port you are using for the DataHub Web Server, it should be the only process on that port.

If you have one or more programs established or listening on the same port as the Cogent DataHub, you have two choices:

- Change the port number for the DataHub Web Server (as illustrated above), or
- Change the port number for every other program that is using that port.

Port numbers 1 through 1024 are reserved. Port 80, for example, is reserved for HTTP, which is why we make it the default for the DataHub Web Server. If you change the DataHub Web Server from port 80, we suggest setting it to a number between 1025 and 65535.

5. Configure any desired options, according to these guidelines:



Error log file:

The path and name of the file where errors are logged.

Access log file:

The path and name of the file where access attempts, successes, and failures are logged.

SSL certificate file:

The path and name of the certificate file used for secure sockets (SSL).

Require a password for all requests

Applies password security as configured in Security.



The security model changed from version 7.1 to version 7.2. User names and passwords in the Security tab will be maintained when moving from V7.1 to V7.2. User names and passwords in the Web Server tab will be lost. When upgrading to V7.2 you must re-assign Web Server realms to any relevant users in the Security tab by clicking on the password field for that user. When reverting from V7.2 to V7.1, you must re-enter the path to the Web Server authentication file that you had earlier used with V7.1.

Authentication realm

The name of the current authorization realm used for password verification.

2.4. Testing the DataHub Web Server

To view a page served by the DataHub, open a web browser and type in the page URL. There is a demo page that comes with your DataHub installation where you can view data coming from DataSim. Here's how to access the page:

1. Ensure that the DataHub is running and is [configured](#) to act as a web server.
2. Type the IP address of the DataHub into the Address field at the top of your web browser.



If you are running the DataHub and web browser on the same machine, type `localhost`. Otherwise, type the IP address or computer name of the computer running the DataHub.

3. The welcome page should appear. You can follow the links to see the various demos. The demos use data from DataSim, so DataSim must be running and connected for the data to update live.

Name	Value	Quality	Time Stamp
Setpoint	57.56	Good	2008-02-27 10:59:58.143
Process Variable	57.02	Good	2008-02-27 11:00:02.839
Output Variable	28.56	Good	2008-02-27 11:00:02.839
Update Frequency	10	Good	2008-02-27 10:47:11.070
Setpoint Auto/Manual	Auto	Good	2008-02-27 10:47:11.070

Web Server Demo Pages

Java Applets

- [Java - Trend and Gauge Example.](#)
- [Java - PID Faceplate Example.](#)

AJAX

- [Streaming AJAX - DataHub Browser - Tree View.](#)
- [Streaming AJAX - High speed, low overhead.](#)

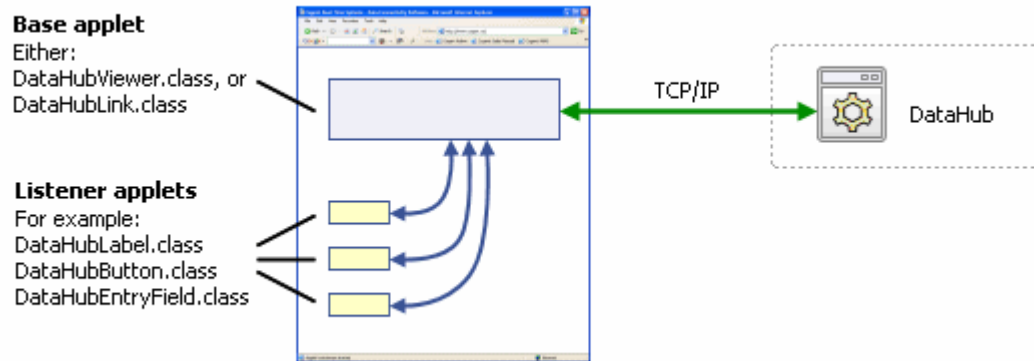
2.5. In the web page

You can display live data from your DataHub application in a standard web page by embedding Java applets that connect over the Internet to a DataHub running the Web Server. The DataHub distribution comes with a collection of Java applets, which can be viewed from the DataHub's [Web Server demo page](#). These applets are documented in [Chapter 3, Standard Java Applets](#). Embedding Java applets in

your HTML code is a simple matter of defining APPLET code as explained below, and editing the parameters to suit your needs.

2.5.1. Data model

Our model for displaying dynamic data in a web page uses a *Base* applet and *Listener* applets to reduce network bandwidth requirements and increase the speed of updates in the page.



The Base Applet

In our model, any web page that connects to the DataHub needs to include at least one applet derived from the `DataHubBaseApplet` class. We call this applet the Base applet. The Base applet makes the connection to the DataHub and receives the live data from the DataHub. In addition to displaying data, Base applets also relay dynamic data to other applets in the web page, which we call Listener applets (see below). You can have as many Base applets as you like in a page, but each one will require a separate connection to the DataHub. We recommend using the minimum, which is one per DataHub domain. If your data comes from multiple domains, you might consider creating a new domain and bridging all of those points to that domain.

There are two Base applets to choose from in the Java API. The first is `DataHubViewer`, which displays a table of dynamic data in a web page. The second is `DataHubLink`, which simply puts a small "Powered by Cogent" logo on the screen. Using these as examples, you can build your own Base applets to display the data from the DataHub in any way you like.

The purpose of the Base applets is threefold:

1. To establish the link to the DataHub.
2. To display dynamic data.
3. To relay dynamic data to Listener applets.

Listener Applets

Listener applets also connect to the DataHub, but they do so through the Base applet connection. The data coming from the DataHub goes to the Base applet first. From there it is transferred to all Listener applets on the same web page. This dramatically improves the speed of the connection and reduces network traffic. You can add as many Listener applets to the page as you like with little impact on data transfer rates. The recommended data model is to have one Base applet per page, feeding multiple Listener applets.

We have included a number of example Listener applets in the API that you can use to build dynamic web pages. Or you can extend these applets to make your own custom applets.

2.5.2. Example HTML coding

Embedding Java applets in a web page can be complicated by inconsistencies between different browsers. To simplify this process we have created a shortcut that reduces the amount of HTML code you have to write.

The DataHubDummy applet

Internet Explorer requires a Java plug-in to recognize and correctly display the APPLET tag. To have IE download and install the Java plug-in you must ensure it has the correct information about what version of the plug-in to install, and where to go to download it. This information is provided in the following OBJECT tag.

```
<OBJECT CLASSID="clsid:8AD9C840-044E-11D1-B3E9-00805F499D93"
CODEBASE="http://java.sun.com/update/1.5.0/jinstall-1_5_0-windows-i586.cab#Version=1,5,0"
WIDTH="0" HEIGHT="0">
  <PARAM NAME="java_code" VALUE="cogent/DataHubDummy.class">
  <PARAM NAME="java_codebase" VALUE="/java/">
  <PARAM NAME="java_archive" VALUE="DataHub.jar">
</OBJECT>
```

If the Java plug-in has *already* been installed in the browser, then IE will simply load the DataHubDummy code and execute it. The code does nothing and simply returns control to the browser.

If the Java plug-in has *not* been installed, then this OBJECT code instructs IE where to go to download the plug-in. After the plug-in is installed, the Java code is run and control is once again returned to the browser.

After IE has installed the Java plug-in it will then be able to recognize the APPLET tag in future web pages it visits. We take advantage of this fact to eliminate the need to wrap each APPLET tag in a duplicate OBJECT tag, thus reducing the amount of HTML code needed to embed each applet.

Firefox, Mozilla and NetScape all recognize the APPLET tag and will load the Java plug-in (if needed) when they first encounter the APPLET tag in your web page.



We recommend placing this shortcut OBJECT tag in your web pages before any APPLET code definitions. This will ensure that IE recognizes the APPLET tags in the rest of your web page.

2.5.3. Using a Base applet

To make a connection to the DataHub, you need to use a Base applet, such as DataHubViewer.class or DataHubLink.class, somewhere in your page. Here is an annotated version of the code using DataHubLink.class:

```
<applet code="" width="5" height="5"> ❶
  <param name="java_code" value="cogent/DataHubLink.class"> ❷
  <param name="java_codebase" value="/java"> ❸
  <param name="java_archive" value="DataHub.jar"> ❹
  <param name="port" value="4600"> ❺
  <param name="domain" value="DataPid"> ❻
  <param name="name" value="BaseAppletT1"> ❼
  Your browser is not java enabled. ❽
</applet>
```

- ❶ Instructs the browser to reserve space in the page for the applet.
- ❷ Calls the code of the widget class.
- ❸ Tells the web server where the DataHub.jar file for the code is located.
- ❹ Identifies the DataHub.jar file that contains the code. This same DataHub.jar file is used for all the classes in this API.
- ❺ Identifies the port number of the connection.

- ⑥ Identifies the DataHub domain where the data resides.
- ⑦ Assigns a name to this base applet. This name is used by any DataHubListener applets embedded in the same web page.
- ⑧ Message displayed if the browser does not have Java enabled. The browser will attempt to download the appropriate Java plug-in. We use the OBJECT tag shortcut described above to instruct the browser where to find the Java plug-in.

2.5.4. Using Listener applets

Once a connection has been established with a DataHubBaseApplet, you connect DataHubListener applets to it to display and interact with your data. Here is an example of a Listener applet, DataHubEntryField.

```
<applet code="" width="40" height="20" align="absmiddle" hspace="10">
  <param name="java_code" value="cogent/DataHubEntryField.class" />
  <param name="java_codebase" value="/java" />
  <param name="java_archive" value="DataHub.jar" />
  <param name="bgcolor" value="faecaf" />
  <param name="fgcolor" value="000000" />
  <param name="name" value="DataHubItem" />
  <param name="points" value="PID1.Sp" />
  <param name="parent" value="BaseAppletT1" />
  <param name="editable" value="true" />
  <param name="min" value="0" />
  <param name="max" value="100" />
  <param name="numeric" value="true" />
  <param name="font" value="tahoma;12" />
  <param name="halign" value="center" />
  <param name="valign" value="center" />
  <param name="format" value="0.0" />
  <param name="border" value="line;1" />
</applet>
```

To customize this code, you just need to change the parameters, which are explained in the [DataHubEntryField](#) reference page.

Chapter 3. Standard Java Applets

DataHubBaseApplet

DataHubBaseApplet — a base class, not instantiated.

Description

This is a base class that should not be directly instantiated. It provides the facilities and parameters for making a connection to the DataHub to its derived classes. Every web page must contain one applet derived from DataHubBaseApplet. Currently the choices are [DataHubViewer](#) or [DataHubLink](#).

Base Class

Applet

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
<i>name</i>	string	DataHubViewer	A DataHubBaseApplet publishes a name that is used by DataHubListener applets to connect with the DataHubBaseApplet. This name can be any unique string.
<i>domain</i>	string	DataSim	This parameter determines the data domain in the DataHub that this web page will use. Currently all DataHub points on a web page must come from a single data domain. This applet will subscribe to every data point in the domain.
<i>host</i>	string	null	The host name running the DataHub. Normally you should not use this parameter. The DataHubBaseApplet will compute the host name from the URL of the page. If you provide this parameter you must also ensure that the Java permissions of your web browser are appropriate to allow the browser to connect to this host.
<i>port</i>	integer	4600	The port number that the DataHub is listening on as a master for mirroring (or tunnelling).
<i>bgcolor</i>	color	white	The background color of the applet.
<i>fgcolor</i>	color	black	The foreground color of the applet.
<i>username</i>	string	null	The user name used to authenticate this connection with the DataHub.
<i>password</i>	string	null	The password used to authenticate this connection with the DataHub.

DataHubBaseButton

DataHubBaseButton — a base class for buttons.

Description

This is the base class for [DataHubButton](#), [DataHubCheckBox](#), [DataHubButton](#), and [DataHubRadioButton](#) applets. It should not be directly instantiated.

Base Class

[DataHubListener](#)

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
<i>bgcolor</i>	color	white	The background color for this applet
<i>fgcolor</i>	color	black	The foreground color for this applet
<i>text</i>	string	Press	The text to display on the button.
<i>bgcolor1</i>	color	white	The background color used when the data point value is equal to <i>value1</i> .
<i>fgcolor1</i>	color	black	The foreground color used when the data point value is equal to <i>value1</i> .
<i>value1</i>	string	0	The data value that will cause the button to display in colors <i>bgcolor1/fgcolor1</i> .
<i>text1</i>	string	null	The text to display on the button when the data point value is <i>value1</i> . If this is not specified, it is given the value of the <i>text</i> parameter.
<i>bgcolor2</i>	color	white	The background color used when the data point value is equal to <i>value2</i>
<i>fgcolor2</i>	color	black	The foreground color used when the data point value is equal to <i>value2</i>
<i>value2</i>	string	1	The data value that will cause the button to display in colors <i>bgcolor2/fgcolor2</i> .
<i>text2</i>	string	null	The text to display on the button when the data point value is <i>value2</i> . If this is not specified, it is given the value of the <i>text1</i> parameter.
<i>numeric</i>	boolean	false	If this parameter is true, the data value will be compared to <i>value1</i> and <i>value2</i> using a numeric comparison. If false, the data value is assumed to be a string.
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubListener .

DataHubButton

`DataHubButton` — a push button that sends a value for a DataHub point.

Description

This applet displays a push button. When the button is pressed, it will toggle the data point value between *value1* and *value2* (inherited from [DataHubBaseButton](#)). If the data point value is neither *value1* nor *value2*, it will be set to *value1* when the button is pressed.

Base Class

[DataHubBaseButton](#)

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubBaseButton .
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubListener .

DataHubCheckBox

DataHubCheckBox — a check box that toggles a DataHub point between two values.

Description

This applet displays a check box. When the check box is selected, it will set the data point value to *value2* (inherited from [DataHubBaseButton](#)). If the check box is unselected it will set the data point value to *value1*.

Base Class

[DataHubBaseButton](#)

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubBaseButton .
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubListener .

DataHubEntryField

DataHubEntryField — an entry field for changing the value of a DataHub point.

Description

This applet displays an entry field. If the field is editable, this applet will write data into the DataHub.

Base Class

[DataHubListener](#)

Parameters

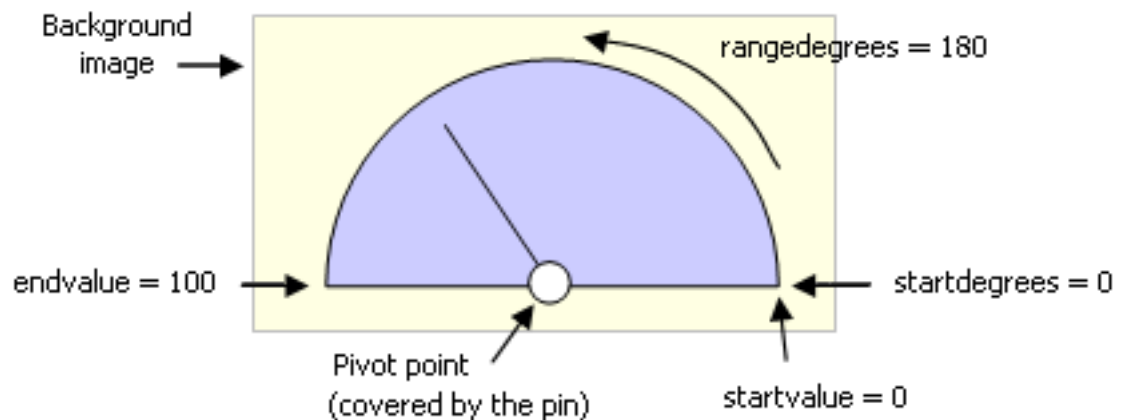
Parameter	Type	Default	Description
<i>editable</i>	boolean	false	If this is true, the field is editable. When the user types into this field, the value of the data point is modified in the DataHub.
<i>numeric</i>	boolean	false	If this is true, user entry is treated as a number, otherwise it is treated as string.
<i>min</i>	number	0	If this field is numeric, this specifies the minimum value allowed for user entry.
<i>max</i>	number	100	If this field is numeric, this specifies the maximum value allowed for user entry.
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubListener .

DataHubGauge

DataHubGauge — a gauge for displaying DataHub point values.

Description

This applet consists of a needle that moves in an arc against a fixed background to indicate values of a DataHub point.



Base Class

[DataHubListener](#)

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
<i>needlecolor</i>	Color	RED	The color of the needle.
<i>pincolor</i>	Color	RED	The color of the pin, which is the dot at the pivot point of the needle.
<i>needlelength</i>	int	50	The length of the needle, in pixels.
<i>basex</i>	int	0	The x coordinates of the pivot point of the needle.
<i>basey</i>	int	0	The y coordinate of the pivot point of the needle.
<i>pinradius</i>	int	5	The size of the pin.
<i>startvalue</i>	double	0	The point value associated with the start of the arc through which the needle travels.
<i>endvalue</i>	double	100	The point value associated with the end of the arc through which the needle travels.
<i>rangedegrees</i>	double	180	The number of degrees of the arc through which the needle will travel.
<i>startdegrees</i>	double	0	The beginning point of the arc through which the needle will travel. Degrees start at a 3 o'clock position and increase in an anticlockwise direction. So a start point of zero and a range of 180 will give a half circle arc on the horizontal.

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
<i>gaugeimage</i>	string	null	The filename for a background image for the gauge.
<i>editable</i>	boolean	false	Allows the viewer to move the needle and change the value.
<i>label1</i> to <i>label10</i>	string	null	You can add up to 10 text labels which will be displayed in front of the background image.
<i>labelx1</i> to <i>labelx10</i>	int	0	The x coordinates for the center of each text label.
<i>labe1y1</i> to <i>labe1y10</i>	int	0	The y coordinates for the center of each text label.
<i>labelfont1</i> to <i>labelfont10</i>	Font	null	The font for each text label.
<i>labelcolor1</i> to <i>label-color10</i>	Color	RED	The color for each text label.
<i>valuex</i>	int	0	The x coordinates of a label that shows the value associated with the data point.
<i>valuey</i>	int	0	The y coordinates of a label that shows the value associated with the data point.
<i>valuefont</i>	Font	null	The font for the value label.
<i>valueformat</i>	string	null	The format of the value label.
<i>valuecolor</i>	Color	RED	The color of the value label.
<i>showvalue</i>	boolean	false	Determines whether the value is shown or hidden.
<i>step</i>	double	0	The minimum value change necessary to reposition the needle.

DataHubLabel

DataHubLabel — displays the value of a DataHub point in a text field.

Description

This applet displays a data point value as a text field.

Base Class

[DataHubListener](#)

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
<i>editable</i>	boolean	false	If this is true, the field is editable. When the user types into this field, the value of the data point is modified in the DataHub.
<i>format</i>	string	null	If the value of the data point is a number, this parameter specifies the format to be used. The format must be in the form expected by the Java class <code>DecimalFormat</code> .
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubListener .

DataHubLineChart

`DataHubLineChart` — displays a real-time trend of DataHub data.

Description

This is an experimental applet that displays a multi-trace real-time trend.

DataHubLink

DataHubLink — makes a TCP connetion to the DataHub.

Description

This applet is a [DataHubBaseApplet](#), and therefore makes a TCP connection to the DataHub. It displays a box containing the words "Powered by Cogent" on a colored background. If the TCP link to the DataHub is connected, the background is green. If the link is disconnected, the background is red. The background is colored yellow while a connection attempt is in progress.

Base Class

[DataHubBaseApplet](#)

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubBaseApplet .

DataHubListener

DataHubListener — a base class for all applets that send and receive data.

Description

DataHubListener is a base class for all applets that send and receive data with a [DataHubBaseApplet](#). You should never instantiate a DataHubListener directly. This is the class that you would likely derive from when creating a custom applet for use with the DataHub.

Base Class

Applet

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
<i>border</i>	string	null	One of two options: 1) "style;depth;highlight;shadow", where style is one of: bevel or etch, depth is one of: lowered or raised and highlight and shadow are colors; or 2) "line;color;thickness".
<i>margins</i>	string	"0;0;0;0"	The number of pixels determining the empty space between the outside border and the content of the applet. The order is: top;left;bottom;right.
<i>font</i>	Font	null	The font for the displayed characters. Font is specified as: font-name;bold italic normal;pointsize where bold italic normal means any of these, separated by the character
<i>valign</i>	string	null	The vertical alignment of the applet in the space provided. One of "center", "top", or "bottom".
<i>halign</i>	string	null	The horizontal alignment of the applet in the space provided. One of "center", "left", or "right".
<i>enabled</i>	boolean	true	Enables or disables the Java component within the applet. For example, if you disable a scroll bar, it will no longer respond to the mouse.
<i>parent</i>	string	null	The same as the <i>name</i> parameter of the applet derived from DataHubBaseApplet on this web page.
<i>points</i>	string	null	A list of unqualified (i.e., without domain: prepended to them) data point names, separated by spaces. This parameter is used when the applet will service more than one data point.
<i>point</i>	string	null	If the <i>points</i> parameter is null, then this parameter will contain a single point name specifying the data point that this applet will service.
<i>fgcolor</i>	color	BLACK	The foreground color of this applet.

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
<i>bgcolor</i>	color	WHITE	The background color of this applet.
<i>opaque</i>	boolean	false	An optimization flag. If you specify that the applet is opaque, the redrawing functions in the Java engine can safely clip any windows behind this applet. If the applet contains a transparent or translucent background, then it is not opaque. In that case, setting the applet to opaque will cause drawing errors.
<i>bgmode</i>	string [scale, center, tile]	scale	A string specifying the tiling mode for the background image (scale, center, or tile).
<i>format</i>	string	null	For applets that display point values as text, this specifies the format to be used. The format must be in the form expected by the Java class <code>DecimalFormat</code> .
<i>bgimage</i>	string	null	A URL specifying a background image to display behind the table cells.
<i>bgalpha</i>	string	1.0	A string specifying the alpha blending value (0.0 - 1.0). Where 0 is transparent (invisible) and 1.0 is opaque. Numbers between 0 and 1 indicate degrees of translucency.

DataHubProgressBar

DataHubProgressBar — a horizontal or vertical progress bar for displaying DataHub data.

Description

This applet displays a horizontal or vertical progress bar. The data point for this applet should always have a numeric value.

Base Class

[DataHubListener](#)

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
<i>text</i>	string	null	A text string associated with the bar.
<i>orientation</i>	string (horizontal or vertical)	horizontal	Specifies the orientation of the progress bar.
<i>min</i>	number	0	The lower bound for the range of the progress bar.
<i>max</i>	number	100	The upper bound for the range of the progress bar.
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubListener

DataHubRadioButton

`DataHubRadioButton` — a radio buttona special button, used in a [DataHubRadioGroup](#).

Description

This applet displays a radio button. When the radio button is selected, it will set the data point value to *value2* (inherited from [DataHubBaseButton](#)). If the radio button is unselected it will set the data point value to *value1*. If you want to display multiple mutually exclusive radio buttons, use [DataHubRadioGroup](#) instead.

Base Class

[DataHubBaseButton](#)

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubBaseButton
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubListener

DataHubRadioGroup

DataHubRadioGroup — a group of radio buttons for assigning a value to a DataHub point.

Description

This applet displays a group of radio buttons, allowing the user to select one value from a group of mutually exclusive values for a data point. You must specify the number of buttons in the group, and then specify the colors, text, value and numeric flag for each button on the group. A radio group acts on a single data point. Each radio button in a DataHubRadioGroup is an instance of a [DataHubRadioButton](#). Radio buttons are arranged intelligently based on the width and height of the applet.

Base Class

[DataHubListener](#)

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
<i>buttoncount</i>	integer	0	Specifies the number of radio buttons in this button group.
<i>bgcolor_1</i>	color	white	The background color of the first radio button.
<i>fgcolor_1</i>	color	black	The foreground color of the first radio button.
<i>text_1</i>	string	Press	The text to display on the first radio button.
<i>value1_1</i>	string	0	The data value associated with the first radio button.
<i>numeric_1</i>	boolean	false	A flag indicating that the first radio button should treat its data value as numeric.
<i>bgcolor_N</i>	color	white	The background color of the <i>N</i> th radio button.
<i>fgcolor_N</i>	color	black	The foreground color of the <i>N</i> th radio button.
<i>text_N</i>	string	Press	The text to display on the <i>N</i> th radio button.
<i>value1_N</i>	string	0	The data value associated with the <i>N</i> th radio button.
<i>numeric_N</i>	boolean	false	A flag indicating that the <i>N</i> th radio button should treat its data value as numeric.
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubListener

DataHubSlider

DataHubSlider — a slider that assigns a numeric value to a DataHub point.

Description

This applet displays a slider that allows the user to select a numeric value by interactively dragging a slider handle. The resulting value will be written to the DataHub. The data point for this applet should always have a numeric value.

Base Class

[DataHubListener](#)

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
<i>showticks</i>	boolean	false	Shows the tick marks on the slider.
<i>showtrack</i>	boolean	true	Shows a track for the pointer.
<i>inverted</i>	boolean	false	Inverts the maximum and minimum values.
<i>snaptoticks</i>	boolean	false	Causes the handle to snap to the tick marks while dragging.
<i>majortick</i>	double	50	The numerical increment for each major tick.
<i>minortick</i>	double	10	The numerical increment for each minor tick.
<i>orientation</i>	string (horizontal or vertical)	horizontal	The orientation of the slider, one of horizontal or vertical.
<i>min</i>	number	0	The lower bound for the range of the slider.
<i>max</i>	number	100	The upper bound for the range of the slider.
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubListener

DataHubSpinner

DataHubSpinner — sets the value of a DataHub point using up and down arrows.

Description

This applet displays a numeric entry field with up and down arrows beside it. The user is able to select a value by either entering a number into the field, or by pressing the up and down arrows to specify a value. The resulting value will be written to the DataHub. The data point for this applet should always have a numeric value.

Base Class

[DataHubListener](#)

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
<i>step</i>	number	1	Specifies the amount by which the value will change when the user presses the up or down arrows.
<i>min</i>	number	0	The lower bound for the value.
<i>max</i>	number	100	The upper bound for the value.
<i>type</i>	string (number, list or date)	number	The type of data to select. Currently only the number type is functional.
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubListener

DataHubTable

DataHubTable — displays multiple DataHub data points in a single applet.

Description

This is an experimental applet that displays data in a tabular format, similar to a spreadsheet display. The purpose of this applet is to display large amounts of information in rows and columns while still using only a single applet in a web page. This works around limitations in the browser if the browser is unable to display many applets at once.

Base Class

[DataHubListener](#)

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
<i>format</i>	string	null	The default number format for cells in the table.
<i>selectable</i>	boolean	false	Determines whether cells in the table can be selected with the mouse.
<i>rows</i>	number	10	The number of table rows.
<i>cols</i>	number	2	The number of table columns.
<i>grid</i>	boolean	false	Determines whether the table will display grid lines around the cells.
<i>gridcolor</i>	color	null	Specifies the grid color.
<i>header</i>	boolean	true	Determines whether the table will have a header containing resizable column headers.
<i>lastcell</i>	number	100	The maximum cell number to search when configuring cell contents (see Cell Parameters).
<i>lastclass</i>	number	100	The maximum cell class number to search when configuring cell classes (see Cell Parameters).
<i>lastrow</i>	number	100	The maximum row height number to search when specifying row heights (see Cell Parameters).
<i>widths</i>	string	null	A delimited string containing the pixel widths of all of the columns in the table (see Delimited Strings).
<i>colnames</i>	string	null	A delimited string containing the column names for all of the columns in the table (see Delimited Strings).
<i>doublebuffer</i>	boolean	false	Determines whether the table should be displayed using double-buffer rendering. This eliminates flicker at the cost of higher CPU usage.
<i>cellN</i>	string	null	The Nth cell specification (see Cell Parameters).
<i>fontN</i>	string	null	The Nth cell font specification (see Cell Parameters).
<i>vmapN</i>	string	null	The Nth cell value map (see Cell Parameters).
<i>classN</i>	string	null	The Nth class specification (see Cell Parameters).
<i>cfontN</i>	string	null	The Nth class font specification (see Cell Parameters).

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
<i>cvmapN</i>	string	null	The <i>N</i> th class value map (see Cell Parameters).
<i>rowheightN</i>	string	null	The <i>N</i> th row height specification (see Cell Parameters).
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubListener

Cell Parameters

The content of the `DataHubTable` is specified on a cell-by-cell basis. Each non-empty cell has one or more parameters describing its content. These parameters are:

- [Cell specification](#)
- [Cell font information](#)
- [Cell value map](#)

The cell specification is mandatory for each non-empty cell. The font information and value map are both optional.

A cell can be a member of a [cell class](#). This allows you to specify many of the attributes of a cell once, and then repeat that many times for cells in the table. You can then make changes to the class to modify the rendering of all of the cells in the class at once. When the `DataHubTable` is initially rendered, it searches its parameter list for cell specifications. These are numbered parameters, starting at 1. For example, parameter *cell1* is the first non-empty cell, and *cell37* could be the 37th non-empty cell. The parameter numbers (1 and 37 in this case) must be unique, but not necessarily contiguous. The `DataHubTable` will search its parameter space from 1 to *lastcell* (by default 100) looking for cell specifications. You can change the value of *lastcell* to broaden the range of acceptable cell numbers.

The content of a cell can be either a string or an image. A string can be the value of a DataHub point, a constant string, or a range-mapped value. A range map uses a DataHub point value to compute the string or image that the cell will display. This is done by specifying a series of point value ranges and the cell classes that will be used to display the cell for each range. As the point value changes, the cell class used to render that cell will be computed based on the range map. For example, you may wish to display the word `false` when a point value is zero and `true` when the point value is one.

Delimited Strings

The specification strings for the *cellN*, *fontN*, *vmapN*, *classN*, *cfontN* and *cvmapN* all consist of a string of arguments, separated by delimiters. By default the delimiter character is a semicolon (;). If you wish to have a semicolon as part of any argument in the specification string, you must choose another delimiter. If the specification string starts with any non-alphanumeric character, that character is taken to be the delimiter for the arguments in the string. For example the string `one;two:two;3;4` consists of four arguments, separated by semicolons, the default delimiter. The second argument is the string `two:two`. To specify an argument that contains a semicolon, you can choose another delimiter, such as `~one~two;two~3~4`. Here the delimiter is the ~ character. Remember that DataHub point names contain colon (:) and decimal (.) characters, so these are not typically good choices for delimiters.

Setting Row Heights

It is possible to set the height of an individual row in the table. This is done by specifying one or more *rowheightN* parameters, where *N* is an ordinal number starting at 1. The value of this parameter is a delimited string containing the row number, starting at 1, and the target height in pixels. By default the

table searches for row height specifications in the range of 1 to 100. If you would like to specify ordinal numbers for *rowheightN* above 100, set the table parameter *lastrow* to a larger number.

Evaluation Order

The DataHubTable does not evaluate its parameters in the order that they appear in the applet definition in your HTML file. The parameter list is searched in a specific order to ensure that class definitions precede cell definitions, and that font and value map parameters are matched to their appropriate cell or class definitions. Parameters that have ordinal numbering (*cell*, *class*, *vmap*, *cvmap*, *font*, *cfont*, *rowheight*) will always be evaluated from lowest to highest ordinal number, regardless of their position in the parameter list of the applet.

The consequence of this evaluation order is that it does not matter how you arrange the parameters within your HTML file. The order of specification will not affect the order of evaluation.

DataHubTable Cell Classes

DataHubTable Cell Classes — assign identical arguments to many table cells.

Description

A cell class is a means to assign the same rendering arguments to many different cells. The cell class specifies all of the arguments for a cell except for row, column, label and point name. Consequently, to add a cell that has the same arguments as an existing class, you must only specify those arguments along with the name of the class (see [Member of Class - Type 3](#)). A cell class is very convenient if you plan to have many cells using the same rendering. If you decide to change the rendering arguments for those cells, they can all be changed at once by changing the definition of the class. A cell class is also required to provide the rendering arguments for a cell when that cell has a value map. The value map refers to a different cell class for each of the ranges in the value map.

Cell classes are specified similarly to cells. They consist of up to three definitions for rendering, font and value map. If a class contains a value map, then the point value will be used to select a class through the value map. If that class also has a value map, the point value will be used again to select a class from the value map of the referred class. This class reference chain will resolve to an indefinite depth. Be sure not to create classes that refer to one another directly or indirectly through chained value maps. Cell class font specifications are identical to cell font specifications, except that the parameter name is `cfont` instead of `font`.

Cell class value map specifications are identical to cell value map specifications, except that the parameter name is `cvmap` instead of `vmap`.

A cell class has a type, much like a cell. The cell class can be of type 0 (label), 1 (point) or 4 (image). Label and image types are static. That is, the resulting contents of the cell do not change. In order to modify the contents of a label or image type, you must modify the class of the cell through a value map.

Label (Static Text) - Cell Class Type 0

A label specifies a text string that does not change.

Argument	Type	Default	Description
<i>name</i>	string	required	The name of this cell class.
<i>type</i>	number	required	0 for a label cell.
<i>xalignment</i>	string	left	left, center or right horizontal alignment of the text in the cell.
<i>yalignment</i>	string	center	top, center, or bottom vertical alignment of the text in the cell.
<i>fgcolor</i>	color	table default	The color used to render the text. If not specified, uses the table's <i>fgcolor</i> parameter.
<i>bgcolor</i>	color	table default	The color used to render the cell background. If not specified, uses the table's <i>bgcolor</i> parameter.

Example

```
<PARAM NAME="class1" VALUE="myclass;0;left:center;#ffff00;#0000ff">
<PARAM NAME="cell1" VALUE="2;3;3;Hello World;myclass">
```

Will render the words Hello World with left/center justification in yellow text on a blue background.

DataHub Point Value - Cell Class Type 1

This cell will display the value of an DataHub point. If the point value is a number you can specify the decimal format with which it is displayed.

Argument	Type	Default	Description
<i>name</i>	string	required	The name of this cell class.
<i>type</i>	number	required	1 for DataHub point value.
<i>xalignment</i>	string	left	left, center or right horizontal alignment of the text in the cell.
<i>yalignment</i>	string	center	top, center or bottom vertical alignment of the text in the cell.
<i>fgcolor</i>	color	table default	The color used to render the text. If not specified, uses the table's <i>fgcolor</i> parameter.
<i>bgcolor</i>	color	table default	The color used to render the cell background. If not specified, uses the table's <i>bgcolor</i> parameter.
<i>format</i>	string	table default	The decimal format to use when the value of the point is a number

Example

```
<PARAM NAME="class1" VALUE="myclass;1;left:center;#ffff00;#0000ff">
<PARAM NAME="cell1" VALUE="2;3;3;Sine;myclass">
```

Will render the value of the point Sine in cell (2, 3) with left/center justification in yellow text on a blue background, with 1 to 3 decimal places of accuracy.

Image - Cell Class Type 4

An image cell renders an image into the cell, clipping the image at the borders of the cell. The image is obtained from a URL.

Argument	Type	Default	Description
<i>name</i>	string	required	The name of this cell class.
<i>type</i>	number	required	4 for Image.
<i>xalignment</i>	string	left	left, center or right horizontal alignment of the text in the cell.
<i>yalignment</i>	string	center	top, center or bottom vertical alignment of the text in the cell.
<i>fgcolor</i>	color	table default	The color used to render the cell foreground. If not specified, uses the table's <i>fgcolor</i> parameter. Foreground color is unused for image type cells.
<i>bgcolor</i>	color	table default	The color used to render the cell background. If not specified, uses the table's <i>bgcolor</i> parameter.
<i>imageurl</i>	string	required	The URL from which to obtain the image. This may be either an absolute URL of the form <code>http://domain/path/image</code> , or a relative URL of the form <code>/path/image</code> or <code>path/image</code> .
<i>alpha</i>	number	1.0	An alpha blend value from 0.0 to 1.0 where 0.0 is transparent and 1.0 is opaque.

Example

```
<PARAM NAME="class1" VALUE="checkmark;4;center;center;#0;#00000000;checkmark.gif;0.5">  
<PARAM NAME="cell1" VALUE="2;3;3;null;checkmark">
```

Will render the image from the URL `checkmark.gif` centered in the cell at (2 , 3). The image will be semi-transparent. The background of the cell will be transparent.

DataHubTable Cell Specification

DataHubTable Cell Specification — specifies the position and contents of a table cell.

Description

A cell specification is a delimited string specifying the position and contents of a non-empty cell. Part of the specification is a content type. The arguments in the cell specification depend on the content type. The arguments must be specified in the order listed in the tables below. If you wish to specify an optional argument, you must also specify all arguments preceding it. If you wish to use the default value for an optional argument, specify `null` for that argument.

Label (Static Text) - Cell Type 0

A label specifies a text string that does not change.

Argument	Type	Default	Description
<i>row</i>	color	required	The cell row, starting at 1.
<i>column</i>	color	required	The cell column, starting at 1
<i>type</i>	number	required	0 for a label cell.
<i>label</i>	string	required	The text to display in the cell.
<i>xalignment</i>	string	left	left, center or right horizontal alignment of the text in the cell.
<i>yalignment</i>	string	center	top, center or bottom vertical alignment of the text in the cell.
<i>fgcolor</i>	color	table default	The color used to render the text. If not specified, uses the table's <i>fgcolor</i> parameter.
<i>bgcolor</i>	color	table default	The color used to render the cell background. If not specified, uses the table's <i>bgcolor</i> parameter.

Example

```
<PARAM NAME="cell1" VALUE="2;3;0;Test;left:center;#ffff00;#0000ff">
```

Will render the word `Test` in cell (2 , 3) with left/center justification in yellow text on a blue background.

DataHub Point Value - Cell Type 1

This cell will display the value of a DataHub point. If the point value is a number you can specify the decimal format with which it is displayed.

Argument	Type	Default	Description
<i>row</i>	color	required	The cell row, starting at 1.
<i>column</i>	color	required	The cell column, starting at 1.
<i>type</i>	number	required	1 for DataHub point value.
<i>pointname</i>	string	required	The unqualified point name (no domain: part) to display.
<i>xalignment</i>	string	left	left, center or right horizontal alignment of the text in the cell.

Argument	Type	Default	Description
<i>yalignment</i>	string	center	top, center or bottom vertical alignment of the text in the cell.
<i>fgcolor</i>	color	table default	The color used to render the text. If not specified, uses the table's <i>fgcolor</i> parameter.
<i>bgcolor</i>	color	table default	The color used to render the cell background. If not specified, uses the table's <i>bgcolor</i> parameter.
<i>format</i>	string	table default	The decimal format to use when the value of the point is a number.

Example

```
<PARAM NAME="cell1" VALUE="2;3;1;Sine;left:center;#ffff00;#0000ff;0.0##">
```

Will render the value of the point Sine in cell (2 , 3) with left/center justification in yellow text on a blue background, with 1 to 3 decimal places of accuracy

Indirectly Formatted Point - Cell Type 2

An indirectly formatted point reads its cell specification from a DataHub point. The value of the point must be a string containing a valid value specification for a cell.

Argument	Type	Default	Description
<i>row</i>	color	required	The cell row, starting at 1.
<i>column</i>	color	required	The cell column, starting at 1.
<i>type</i>	number	required	2 for indirectly formatted point.
<i>specpoint</i>	string	required	The name of a DataHub point from which to read the cell specification for this cell.
<i>valuepoint</i>	string	null	If the cell specification in specpoint contains the word <code>null</code> for its point name, use valuepoint instead as the point from which to take the cell value.

Example

```
<PARAM NAME="cell1" VALUE="2;3;2;myspec;Sine">
```

will render the value of the point Sine in cell (2 , 3) according to a cell's value specification contained in the DataHub point `myspec`. The point should contain just the content of a value parameter, like this:

```
2;3;1;Sine;left:center;#ffff00;#0000ff;0.0##
```

Member of Class - Cell Type 3

A class member takes its cell specification from a named [cell class](#). All members of a cell class are formatted identically. Changes to the cell class will cause all cells in the class to be changed.

Argument	Type	Default	Description
<i>row</i>	color	required	The cell row, starting at 1.
<i>column</i>	color	required	The cell column, starting at 1.
<i>type</i>	number	required	3 for member of a class.

Argument	Type	Default	Description
<i>label</i>	string	required	If the cell class is type 0 (a label) then this is a static text string. If the cell class is type 1 (a point) then this is the name of the DataHub point.
<i>classname</i>	string	required	The name of the class to which this cell belongs.

Example

```
<PARAM NAME="cell1" VALUE="2;3;3;Sine;float_class">
```

Will render the value of the point Sine in cell (2 , 3) according to the class specification of the class float_class.

Image - Cell Type 4

An image cell renders an image into the cell, clipping the image at the borders of the cell. The image is obtained from a URL.

Argument	Type	Default	Description
<i>row</i>	color	required	The cell row, starting at 1.
<i>column</i>	color	required	The cell column, starting at 1
<i>type</i>	number	required	4 for image.
<i>imageurl</i>	string	required	The URL from which to obtain the image. This may be either an absolute URL of the form <code>http://domain/path/image</code> , or a relative URL of the form <code>/path/image</code> or <code>path/image</code> .
<i>alpha</i>	number	1.0	An alpha blend value from 0.0 to 1.0 where 0.0 is transparent and 1.0 is opaque.

Example

```
<PARAM NAME="cell1" VALUE="2;3;4;checkmark.gif;0.5">
```

Will render the image from the URL `checkmark.gif` into the cell. The image will be semi-transparent.

DataHubTable Fonts

DataHubTable Fonts — specify the fonts for a table cell.

Description

The font for a cell is specified separately from the position and content. Each font specification is matched to the cell specification using the cell number. That is, if the cell PARAM name is `cell14` then the corresponding font specification will be `font14`. If a cell does not have a font specification then the default Java font is used.

A font specification consists of a delimited string with the following arguments:

Argument

Argument	Type	Default	Description
<i>fontname</i>	string	required	The name of the font, logical font, or font face. Uses the Java font names to resolve the font.
<i>fontstyle</i>	string	required	One of normal, bold, italic or bolditalic.
<i>fontsize</i>	number	required	The point size of the font.

Example

```
<PARAM NAME="font1" VALUE="Helvetica:bold;16">
```

DataHubTable Value Maps

DataHubTable Value Maps — change cell formatting or text based on a DataHub point value.

Description

A value map is a mechanism for changing the formatting or displayed text in a cell based on the value of a DataHub point. The value map consists of a series of ranges associated with cell classes. If the value of the point falls within a range, then the cell is rendered using the class associated with that range. Ranges are specified as a minimum and a maximum value. If the point value is greater than the minimum, or less than or equal to the maximum (i.e., $\text{minimum} < \text{value} \leq \text{maximum}$), then the value is within the range. If the minimum and the maximum for a range are the same value, then the point value must exactly match the minimum to be within the range. Ranges are compared to the value in the order in which they appear in the value map. Overlapping ranges are allowed. The first range to match the point value will be used.

A value map is a delimited string consisting of one or more groups of three arguments. The arguments in each group are *minimum;maximum;classname* respectively. The groups are delimited by semicolons (;), and there can be any number of such groups. If the value for any minimum is `inf` then the minimum is taken to be negative infinity. If the value for any maximum is `inf` then the maximum is taken to be positive infinity.

If no range matches the input value then the value is rendered in the default font, format and colors.

To assign a value map to an individual point, use a parameter named `vmap N` where N is the ordinal number associated with the cell specification.

To assign a value map to a class, use a parameter named `cvmap N` where N is the ordinal number associated with the cell class specification.

Example

```
<PARAM NAME="vmap1" VALUE="inf;1;false_class;1;inf;true_class">
```

Will render a boolean value in either `false_class` or `true_class` depending on whether its value is 0 or 1.

```
<PARAM NAME="vmap2" VALUE="inf;-10;red_class;-10;-5;yellow_class;-5;5;
green_class;5;10;yellow_class;10;inf;red_class">
```

Will render a numeric value as `red_class` if its absolute value is greater than 10, as `yellow_class` if its absolute value is between 5 and 10, and as `green_class` if its absolute value is less than 5.

DataHubToggleButton

`DataHubToggleButton` — toggles a DataHub point between two values.

Description

This applet displays a toggle button. When the toggle button is selected, it will set the data point value to *value2* (inherited from [DataHubBaseButton](#)). If the toggle button is unselected it will set the data point value to *value1*.

Base Class

[DataHubBaseButton](#)

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubBaseButton
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubListener

DataHubTrend

DataHubTrend — a dynamically updating graphical display of DataHub values.

Description

This applet displays the values of several DataHub points in a dynamically updating graphical display.

Base Class

[DataHubListener](#)

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
<i>maxpoints</i>	int	0	The maximum number of points per trace to display. This determines the amount of data in the trace, which will have an effect on CPU usage. Do not set both <i>maxpoints</i> and <i>maxtime</i> .
<i>maxtime</i>	double	20	The number of seconds worth of data per trace to display. This determines the amount of data in the trace, which will have an effect on CPU usage. Do not set both <i>maxtime</i> and <i>maxpoints</i> .
<i>refreshrate</i>	int	100	The refresh rate of the display, in milliseconds.
<i>min</i>	double	0	The Y-axis minimum.
<i>max</i>	double	100	The Y-axis maximum. (Note that the X-axis span is automatically determined by the minimum and maximum time stamps for all of the traces in the trend.)
<i>pointN</i>	N/A	none	Specifies which DataHub point to plot, as well as the color and shape of the trace. You can plot a maximum of 10 traces. See below for details.

The *pointN* parameter

You will need to specify a *pointN* parameter for each trace in the trend, as follows:

Syntax

```
<param name="pointN" value="pointname;color;flags">
```

Name and Value

pointN

The first trace must be named *point1*, the second trace *point2*, the third *point3* and so on up to *point10*.

pointname

The name of a DataHub point, without the domain name.

color

A color, specified as #000000.

flags

(optional) One of: extend, square, or extend|square where:

extend

The trace for this point will be automatically extended horizontally on each update of the other traces in the trend graph.

square

The trace will be drawn as a step function instead of drawing a straight line from one value to the next.

Example

```
<param name="point1" value="PID1.Mv;#ff9900">  
<param name="point2" value="PID1.Sp;#0000ff;extend|square">  
<param name="point3" value="PID1.Pv;#009900">
```

DataHubViewer

DataHubViewer — makes a TCP connection to the DataHub, displaying all available data in a table.

Description

This applet is a [DataHubBaseApplet](#), and therefore makes a TCP connection to the DataHub. It displays a four-column table in the browser showing the current values of every data point it is managing. The status of the connection is shown in text above the first line of the table.

Base Class

[DataHubBaseApplet](#)

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
<i>colwidths</i>	string	null	If specified, this is a list of 4 numbers separated by a single space character. Each number specifies the width in pixels of the corresponding column in the data table.
<i>login</i>	boolean	false	If true, the applet will display a user name and password dialog, and will send authentication information to the DataHub.
Inherited	–	–	All parameters from DataHubBaseApplet .

Chapter 4. The DataHubConnector Class

4.1. Overview

Syntax

For C++ (Windows MFC, QNX, Linux):

```
class CDataHubConnector : public CWnd
```

For C++ (Windows ATL):

```
class CDataHubConnector : public  
    CWindowImpl<CDataHubConnector, CWindow, CFrameWinTraits>
```

For Java:

```
public class DataHubConnector
```

For C#:

```
public class DataHubConnector
```

Remarks

This class provides the base functionality for a client to connect to the DataHub. The constructor for this class is `DataHubConnector`. The destructor for this class is `~DataHubConnector`. The methods for this class are arranged by category in the [Categorized List of Methods](#), and alphabetically in the [DataHubConnector Methods](#) reference.

Requirement Statements

For C++:

```
#include <CDataHubConnector.h>
```

For Java:

```
import cogent.DataHubConnector;
```

For C#:

```
using Cogent.DataHubAPI;
```

4.2. Categorized List of Methods

These are most of the methods of the `DataHubConnector` class. The remaining methods, which are used for making callbacks, are presented in the following section.

Status Functions

[getCnxState](#) - retrieves the operational state of the connector object.

[getCnxStateString](#) - retrieves a string corresponding to the operational state.

[getCnxSubStateString](#) - provides detailed information on the connection state (C++ only).

[getErrString](#) - retrieves the last error string (C++ only).

Connection Control

[setReconnectionDelay](#) - sets the delay time between reconnection attempts.

[getReconnectionDelay](#) - retrieves the delay time between reconnection attempts.
[startReconnectionTimer](#) - starts the delay timer for reconnection attempts.
[cancelReconnectionTimer](#) - stops the delay timer for reconnection attempts.
[setHeartbeatTimes](#) - sets the period of the heartbeat and timeout timers.
[getHeartbeat](#) - retrieves the heartbeat timer period.
[getTimeout](#) - retrieves the timeout timer period.
[startHeartbeatTimers](#) - starts the heartbeat and timeout timers.
[cancelHeartbeatTimers](#) - cancels the heartbeat and timeout timers.
[activeHeartbeatTimers](#) - determines if both heartbeat timers are active.
[setConnectionParms](#) - sets the connection parameters.
[getHostName](#) - retrieves the host name connection parameter.
[getServiceName](#) - retrieves the port service name connection parameter (C++ only).
[isConnecting](#) - indicates whether a connection attempt is in progress.
[isConnected](#) - indicates whether a connection has been established.
[openConnection](#) - attempts to establish a connection to the DataHub.
[retryConnection](#) - opens a new connection to the DataHub (C++ only).
[closeConnection](#) - closes the connection to the DataHub.
[shutdown](#) - prepares for an application shutdown or disconnect (Java and C# only).

Messages

[sendLispMessage](#) - sends a message to the DataHub (C++ only).
[writeCommand](#) - sends a command to the DataHub (Java and C# only).
[escapedString](#) - prepares a string for use with `writeCommand` (Java and C# only).

Point Handling

[initializePointCache](#) - initializes local point cache usage.
[lookupPoint](#) - accesses a point from the point cache.
[registerDomain](#) - registers to receive updates from domain points.
[setDefaultDomain](#) - sets the default domain.
[getDefaultDomain](#) - returns the current default domain.
[registerPoint](#) - registers to receive updates from a DataHub point.
[unregisterPoint](#) - stops receiving updates from a DataHub point.
[createPoint](#) - creates a DataHub point.
[writePoint](#) - writes a new value to a DataHub point.
[readPoint](#) - gets the value of a DataHub point.
[setPointLock](#) - sets the lock attributes of a DataHub point.
[setPointSecurity](#) - sets the security attributes of a DataHub point.
[appendPointValue](#) - appends a string to a DataHub point.
[addPointValue](#) - adds a specified amount to a DataHub point value.
[multiplyPointValue](#) - multiplies a DataHub point value by a specified amount.
[dividePointValue](#) - divides the value of the named point by the specified value.

4.3. Making Callbacks

There are several callbacks associated with the `DataHubConnector` class. In C++ these are methods of the `DataHubConnector` class itself, while in Java and .NET they are methods of a separate interface, the `DataHubEventConsumer` interface.

Status Changes

[onStatusChange](#) - a virtual method invoked on change of status.

Connections

[onConnectionSuccess](#) - a virtual method invoked when a connection is established.
[onAlive](#) - a virtual method invoked on receipt of a heartbeat from the DataHub.

`onConnectionFailure` - a virtual method invoked when a connection or attempt to connect fails.

Message Receipts

`onAsyncMessage` - a virtual method invoked on receipt of a DataHub message.

`onSuccess` - a virtual method invoked on receipt of a success message.

`onError` - a virtual method invoked on receipt of an error message.

Point Changes

`onPointChange` - a virtual method invoked on receipt of a point value change.

`onPointEcho` - a virtual method invoked on receipt of a locally changed point value.

Chapter 5. The DataHubPoint Class

The DataHubPoint class represents a DataHub point object.

5.1. Overview

Syntax

For C++:

```
class CDataHubPoint
```

For Java:

```
public class DataHubPoint
```

For C#:

```
public class DataHubPoint
```

Remarks

DataHub point objects are the fundamental objects used to write, receive and manipulate data in the DataHub, via the [DataHubConnector](#) class. The DataHubPoint class provides a rich set of facilities to create, modify and inspect these objects.

DataHub points possess the following properties:

value

A value whose type is one of PT_TYPE_STRING, PT_TYPE_REAL (a double) or PT_TYPE_INT32 (an int). The value is stored in a corresponding format, and can be converted by the various utilities to access the value.

quality

Indicates whether the DataHub has been updated with actual data or if a point is uninitialized. This is typically either PT_QUALITY_GOOD or PT_QUALITY_BAD. Connection status can also affect the point quality.

confidence

A user defined value, typically in the range of 0-100%. This can be used to model 'aging' of a point, and support 'fuzzy math' algorithms.

timestamp

Tags the real-time origin of the point as it is distributed. Typically this is set by the software module originating the value of a point. It is modelled as seconds and nanoseconds, providing a resolution that is limited only by the OS.

userdata

Allows the user to associate with a specific point whatever object may be useful to the application. This is primarily used by the point cache capability provided by the [DataHubConnector](#) class (see [initializePointCache](#)).

locked

Controls access to the point.

security

Controls access to the point.

flags

For internal use.

Requirement Statements

For C++:

```
#include <CDataHubPoint.h>
```

For Java:

```
import cogent.DataHubPoint;
```

For C#:

```
using Cogent.DataHubAPI;
```

See also

[Categorized List of Methods](#), [DataHubConnector](#)

5.2. Categorized List of Methods

Constructors/Destructors

[DataHubPoint](#) - constructs a DataHubPoint object in various ways.

[~DataHubPoint](#) - destroys a DataHubPoint object.

General Methods

[clear](#) - clears the point.

[getName](#) - retrieves the point name.

[setName](#) - assigns a name to the point.

[qualifyName](#) - creates a point name string qualified by a domain name.

[unqualifyName](#) - removes the domain name qualifier from a point name.

Point Data Access Methods

[getType](#) - retrieves the point data type.

[setValue](#) - sets the point data to the specified type and value.

[setValueFromString](#) - sets the point data to the value represented by a string.

[getDoubleValue](#) - retrieves the point data as a double-typed value.

[getIntValue](#) - retrieves the point data as an int-typed value.

[getStringValue](#) - retrieves the point data as a string.

Point Information Access Methods

[setInfo](#) - sets the information properties of a point.

[setQuality](#) - sets the point quality.

[getQuality](#) - retrieves the point quality.

[getQualityString](#) - generates a string representing the point quality.

[setConfidence](#) - sets the user's confidence in a point.

[getConfidence](#) - retrieves the user's point confidence.

[setTimeStamp](#) - sets the point timestamp in various ways.

[getSeconds](#) - retrieves the timestamp seconds component.

[getNanoseconds](#) - retrieves the timestamp nanoseconds component.

[getDateString](#) - generates a 'standard' timestamp data/time representation.

`getListeners` - retrieves listeners on the point (Java only).
`removeListener` - removes a listener from the point (Java only).
`setLocked` - sets the locked property of the point.
`getLocked` - retrieves the locked property of the point.
`setSecurity` - sets the security property of the point.
`getSecurity` - retrieves the security property of the point.
`setFlags` - sets the flags property of the point.
`getFlags` - retrieves the flags property of the point.
`setUserdata` - associates the point with a user object.
`getUserdata` - retrieves the user object associated with the point.

Operators

`operator=` - assigns a new value to a DataHubPoint object (C++ only).

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These are the methods associated with the `DataHubConnector` class, listed alphabetically. To see the same methods grouped according to how they are used, please refer to the [Categorized List of Methods](#).

DataHubConnector

`DataHubConnector` — creates a `DataHubConnector` object.

Syntax

For C++:

```
CDataHubConnector (  
    void  
);
```

For Java:

```
DataHubConnector (  
    DataHubEventDispatcher parent  
);
```

For C#:

```
DataHubConnector (  
    DataHubEventConsumer parent  
);
```

Parameters

parent

The parent for this object.

Description

Creates a [DataHubConnector](#) object.

See Also

[DataHubConnector Class](#), [Categorized List of Methods](#)

~DataHubConnector

`~DataHubConnector` — destroys a `DataHubConnector` object.

Syntax

For C++:

```
~DataHubConnector (  
    void  
);
```

For Java, and C#:

None.

Description

Destroys a [DataHubConnector](#) object.

See Also

[DataHubConnector](#) Class, [Categorized List of Methods](#)

activeHeartbeatTimers

activeHeartbeatTimers — determines if both heartbeat timers are active.

Syntax

For C++ and C#:

```
bool activeHeartbeatTimers (  
    void  
);
```

For Java:

```
boolean activeHeartbeatTimers (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

TRUE if both heartbeat timers are active, FALSE otherwise.

Description

This method is used to determine if both heartbeat timers were successfully started. The heartbeat timers are normally started when a connection has been established (see [startHeartbeatTimers](#)). You may wish to check that the heartbeat mechanism is active before registering a domain or points.

See Also

[startHeartbeatTimers](#), [cancelHeartbeatTimers](#), [setHeartbeatTimes](#)

Example

```
void DataGenerator::onConnectionSuccess (LPCTSTR host, int port)  
{  
    _super::onConnectionSuccess (host, port); // starts the heartbeat timers  
  
    // proceed to start heartbeat and specify domain  
    int domain_flags = DHC_FLAG_REG_FUTURE|  
                      DHC_FLAG_REG_QUALIFY|  
                      DHC_FLAG_REG_ONCEONLY;  
  
    if (activeHeartbeatTimers()) // started the heartbeat timers  
    {  
        if (registerDomain (m_DomainName, (DHC_tRegFlags)domain_flags) == ST_OK)  
        {  
            RegisterPoints();  
        }  
    }  
}
```

addPointValue

addPointValue — adds a specified amount to a DataHub point value.

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS addPointValue (  
    CDataHubPoint& point,  
    double value  
);
```

```
ST_STATUS addPointValue (  
    LPCTSTR pointname,  
    double value  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
Exception addPointValue (  
    DataHubPoint point,  
    double value  
);
```

```
Exception addPointValue (  
    String pointname,  
    double value  
);
```

Parameters

point

A [DataHubPoint](#) object. The name, seconds and nanoseconds members must be valid.

pointname

The name of the point. The point timestamp is automatically set to the current time.

value

The value to add to the current point value.

Returns

For C++:

- ST_OK if the command was successfully sent to the DataHub. Since the command is sent asynchronously, the actual success or failure of the command must be determined through the [onSuccess](#) or [onError](#) message handlers.
- ST_NO_TASK if a connection to the DataHub does not exist.
- ST_ERROR if the connection socket is unable to send the message.

Description

Adds the specified value to the current value of the DataHub point. If the DataHub point is not of a numeric type, then the DataHub will respond with an error, and [onError](#) will be called with the following arguments:

```
status: ST_WRONG_TYPE  
msg: "Wrong type"
```

If the DataHub point does not exist, then the DataHub will respond with an error, and [onError](#) will be called with the following arguments:

```
status: ST_NO_POINT  
msg: "Point does not exist"
```

Examples

```
addPointValue(_T("intPoint1"), 1.0);  
CDataHubPoint point;  
point.name = "realPoint2";  
setPointTimeStamp (&point);  
addPointValue(&point, 1.234);
```

See Also

[appendPointValue](#), [multiplyPointValue](#), [dividePointValue](#), [writePoint](#)

appendPointValue

appendPointValue — appends a string to a DataHub point.

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS appendPointValue (  
    CDataHub& point,  
    LPCTSTR str  
);
```

```
ST_STATUS appendPointValue (  
    LPCTSTR pointname,  
    LPCTSTR str  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
Exception appendPointValue (  
    DataHub point,  
    String str  
);
```

```
Exception appendPointValue (  
    String pointname,  
    String str  
);
```

Parameters

point

A pointer structure of type [DataHubPoint](#). The name, seconds and nanoseconds members must be valid.

pointname

The name of the point. The point timestamp is automatically set to the current time.

str

A string to append to the current point string value.

Returns

For C++:

- ST_OK if the command was successfully sent to the DataHub. Since the command is sent asynchronously, the actual success or failure of the command must be determined through the [onSuccess](#) or [onError](#) message handlers.
- ST_NO_TASK if a connection to the DataHub does not exist.
- ST_ERROR if the connection socket is unable to send the message.

Description

This method appends the specified string to the current string value of the DataHub point. If the DataHub point is not a string type (PT_TYPE_STRING), then the DataHub will respond with an error, and [onError](#) will be called with the following arguments:

```
status: ST_WRONG_TYPE
msg: "Wrong type"
```

If the DataHub point does not exist, then the DataHub will respond with an error, and [onError](#) will be called with the following arguments:

```
status: ST_NO_POINT
msg: "Point does not exist"
```

Examples

```
appendPointValue(_T("strPoint1"), _T("this"));
CDataHubPoint point;
point.name = "strPoint1";
setPointTimeStamp (&point);
appendPointValue(&point, _T(" and that"));
```

See Also

[addPointValue](#), [multiplyPointValue](#), [dividePointValue](#), [writePoint](#)

cancelHeartbeatTimers

cancelHeartbeatTimers — cancels the heartbeat and timeout timers.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
void cancelHeartbeatTimers (  
    void  
);
```

Description

See [setHeartbeatTimes](#) for more details on the timeout timer feature.

See Also

[setHeartbeatTimes](#), [startHeartbeatTimers](#)

cancelReconnectionTimer

`cancelReconnectionTimer` — stops the delay timer for reconnection attempts.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
void cancelReconnectionTimer (  
    void  
);
```

Description

This method cancels the reconnection delay timer. The default behaviour of the [onConnectionSuccess](#) method is to make a call to `cancelReconnectionTimer`. See [setReconnectionDelay](#) for more details.

closeConnection

`closeConnection` — closes the connection to the DataHub.

Syntax

For C++:

```
void closeConnection (  
    void  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
void closeConnection (  
    String reason  
);
```

Description

This method closes the connection to the DataHub.

See Also

[openConnection](#), [retryConnection](#), [isConnecting](#), [isConnected](#)

createPoint

createPoint — creates a DataHub point.

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS createPoint (  
    CDataHubPoint& point  
);
```

```
ST_STATUS createPoint (  
    LPCTSTR pointname  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
Exception createPoint (  
    DataHubPoint point  
);
```

```
Exception createPoint (  
    String pointname  
);
```

Parameters

point

A [DataHubPoint](#) object. The name member must be valid.

pointname

The name of the point.

Returns

For C++:

- ST_OK if the command was successfully sent to the DataHub. Since the command is sent asynchronously, the actual success or failure of the command must be determined through the [onSuccess](#) or [onError](#) message handlers.
- ST_NO_TASK if a connection to the DataHub does not exist.
- ST_ERROR if the connection socket is unable to send the message.

Description

This method creates a DataHub point. The point quality is set to PT_QUALITY_BAD and the timestamp is set to 0. The point type and value are undefined.

See Also

[registerPoint](#), [unregisterPoint](#)

dividePointValue

CDataHubConnector: dividePointValue — divides the value of the named point by the specified value.

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS dividePointValue (  
    CDataHubPoint& point,  
    double value  
);
```

```
ST_STATUS dividePointValue (  
    LPCTSTR pointname,  
    double value  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
Exception dividePointValue (  
    DataHubPoint point,  
    double value  
);
```

```
Exception dividePointValue (  
    String pointname,  
    double value  
);
```

Parameters

point

A [DataHubPoint](#) object. The name, seconds and nanoseconds members must be valid.

pointname

The name of the point. The point timestamp is automatically set to the current time.

value

The value by which to divide the current point value.

Returns

For C++:

- ST_OK if the command was successfully sent to the DataHub. Since the command is sent asynchronously, the actual success or failure of the command must be determined through the [onSuccess](#) or [onError](#) message handlers.
- ST_NO_TASK if a connection to the DataHub does not exist.
- ST_ERROR if the connection socket is unable to send the message.

Description

This method divides the current value of the DataHub point by the specified value. If the DataHub point is not of a numeric type, then the DataHub will respond with an error, and [onError](#) will be called with the following arguments:

```
status: ST_WRONG_TYPE  
msg: "Wrong type"
```

If the DataHub point does not exist, then the DataHub will respond with an error, and [onError](#) will be called with the following arguments:

```
status: ST_NO_POINT  
msg: "Point does not exist"
```

Examples

```
dividePointValue(_T("intPoint1"), 1.0);  
CDataHubPoint point;  
point.name = "realPoint2";  
setPointTimeStamp (&point);  
dividePointValue(&point, 1.234);
```

See Also

[appendPointValue](#), [addPointValue](#), [multiplyPointValue](#), [writePoint](#)

escapedString

`escapedString` — prepares a string for use with `writeCommand` (Java and C# only).

Syntax

For Java:

```
String escapedString (  
    String str,  
    boolean quoted  
);
```

```
String escapedString (  
    String str,  
    boolean quoted,  
    boolean special_only  
);
```

For C#:

```
String escapedString (  
    String str,  
    bool quoted  
);
```

```
String escapedString (  
    String str,  
    bool quoted,  
    bool special_only  
);
```

Parameters

This has not yet been documented.

Returns

This has not yet been documented.

Description

This method prepares a string for use with [writeCommand](#).

See Also

[writeCommand](#)

getCnxState

getCnxState — retrieves the operational state of the connector object.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
DHC_tState getCnxState (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The current state of the connector object, a member of DHC_tState as defined below.

Description

Retrieves the state of the DataHub connector object. The state is primarily informational, since the user cannot directly change it.

State	Description
DHC_STATE_NONE	This is the initial (0) state, and is immediately changed to DHC_STATE_IDLE within the constructor unless a fundamental initialization error has occurred (eg. Window creation).
DHC_STATE_IDLE	A connection has never been attempted.
DHC_STATE_INITIALIZED	Internal initialization completed (by the first attempt to connect) and ready to connect.
DHC_STATE_CONNECTING	Currently in the process of connecting. See getCnxSubStateString for detailed connection sub-state.
DHC_STATE_CONNECTING_CLOSING	This is a transient internal state used to force closure of an open connection before attempting to reconnect.
DHC_STATE_CONNECTED	A DataHub connection exists.
DHC_STATE_ERROR	An error was detected. See getErrString . This is generally a transient state, since the default behaviour is to attempt to reconnect.
DHC_STATE_RETRY_DELAY	The reconnection timer is active and after which an attempt will be made to reconnect (see setReconnectionDelay).

See Also

[onStatusChange](#), [getCnxStateString](#), [getCnxSubStateString](#), [isConnecting](#), [isConnected](#), [getErrString](#), [getReconnectionDelay](#), [setReconnectionDelay](#)

getCnxStateString

`getCnxStateString` — retrieves a string corresponding to the operational state.

Syntax

For C++:

```
CString getCnxStateString (  
    void  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
String getCnxStateString (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The string corresponding to the operational state of the object (as returned by [getCnxState](#)).

Description

This method retrieves a string corresponding to the operational state.

See Also

[getCnxState](#)

getCnxSubStateString

`getCnxSubStateString` — provides detailed information on the connection state (C++ only).

Syntax

For C++:

```
CString getCnxSubStateString (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

A string containing a short description of the connection status.

Description

This method provides some additional insight into the status of the DataHub connection. A new status string may be obtained on each [onStatusChange](#), along with the main [getCnxStateString](#), and used for logging or otherwise indicating the connection sequence.

See Also

[onStatusChange](#) [getCnxStateString](#), [getCnxState](#)

getDefaultDomain

getDefaultDomain — returns the current default domain.

Syntax

For C++:

```
LPCTSTR getDefaultDomain (  
    void  
);
```

For Java, and C#:

```
String getDefaultDomain (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The domain name string, or NULL¹ if none has been set.

Description

This method accesses the domain name string specified by the [setDefaultDomain](#) method. The value returned is based on a local (client) copy, and is therefore not dependent on the connection status.

See Also

[setDefaultDomain](#)

Notes

1. null in Java and C#.

getErrString

getErrString — retrieves the last error string (C++ only).

Syntax

For C++:

```
LPCTSTR getErrString (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The string corresponding to the last error detected.

See Also

[onError](#)

getHeartbeat

getHeartbeat — retrieves the heartbeat timer period.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
long getHeartbeat (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The period in milliseconds of the heartbeat timer.

Description

See [setHeartbeatTimes](#) for more details on the heartbeat timer feature.

See Also

[setHeartbeatTimes](#), [getTimeout](#)

getHostName

getHostName — retrieves the host name connection parameter.

Syntax

For C++:

```
CString getHostName (  
    void  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
String getHostName (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

A string containing the currently set host name.

Description

This method retrieves the host name string set by the [setConnectionParms](#) command, or an empty string if it has never been set. The value is not affected by [openConnection](#) or the status of the connection.

getPort

getPort — retrieves the port connection parameter.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
int getPort (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The connection port number.

Description

This method retrieves the port number set by the [setConnectionParms](#) command, or 0 if it has never been set. If [setConnectionParms](#) was used to specify a service name, then the port will be the result of an attempt to convert or look up the servicename specified. The value is not affected by [openConnection](#) or the status of the connection.

getReconnectionDelay

getReconnectionDelay — retrieves the delay time between reconnection attempts.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
long getReconnectionDelay (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The reconnection delay time setting, in milliseconds.

Description

See [setReconnectionDelay](#) for more details.

getServiceName

getServiceName — retrieves the port service name connection parameter (C++ only).

Syntax

For C++:

```
CString getServiceName (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

A string containing the currently set port service name.

Description

This method retrieves the port service name string set by the [setConnectionParms](#) command, or an empty string if it has never been set. If [setConnectionParms](#) was used to set the port directly (as an integer), then the servicename will not have been set. The value is not affected by [openConnection](#) or the status of the connection.

getTimeout

getTimeout — retrieves the timeout timer period.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
long getTimeout (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The period in milliseconds of the timeout timer.

Description

See [setHeartbeatTimes](#) for more details on the timeout timer feature.

See Also

[setHeartbeatTimes](#), [getHeartbeat](#)

initializePointCache

initializePointCache — initializes local point cache usage.

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS initializePointCache (  
    void  
);
```

For Java, and C#:

```
Exception initializePointCache (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

For C++:

ST_OK if the point cache was successfully initialized, otherwise ST_ERROR.

Description

The point cache is a list of all points received. It is automatically built and maintained as each point update is received from the DataHub. In order for a point to exist in the cache, a [readPoint](#), [registerPoint](#), or [registerDomain](#) was required to generate the point update. The value, type, and timestamp of the cached points is updated, but the point itself is persistent.

The point cache allows the user to associate data with the point (through its `m_userdata` member) and quickly access it when the point is updated (from [onPointChange](#)). The point cache also provides a way to synchronously read a current point value, avoiding the [readPoint](#) method which provides the point value asynchronously.

Example 1

This example illustrates use of the point cache to efficiently update a user interface control with the latest point value.

```
....  
// during initialization, we register for all points  
registerDomain("myDomain",  
              DHC_FLAG_REG_FUTURE | DHC_FLAG_ONCEONLY_FUTURE);  
....  
  
// associate an MFC control with a point  
// perhaps this is called on user entering a desired point name  
// (don't forget to clear the previously associated point userdata!)  
void onUiPointNameChanged(LPCTSTR pointname, CStatic *pValueWnd)  
{  
    DataHubPoint *ppoint = lookupPoint (pointname);  
    if (ppoint)  
    {  
        ppoint->m_userdata = pointname;  
    }  
}  
void onPointChange (DataHubPoint point)  
{
```

```

    if (point.m_userdata)
    {
        // update the MFC control
        CStatic *pTxt = point.m_userdata;
        CString str;
        str.Format("%f", point.getDoubleValue());
        pTxt->SetWindowText(str);
    }
}

```

Example 2

This example illustrates use of the point cache to provide immediate access to a point value.

```

....
// part of the initialization code
registerDomain("myDomain",
              DHC_FLAG_REG_FUTURE | DHC_FLAG_ONCEONLY_FUTURE);
....

// read point value:
DataHubPoint *point = lookupPoint("IntPoint1");
int ival = point->getIntValue();
....

```

See Also

[registerPoint](#), [unregisterPoint](#), [createPoint](#)

isConnected

`isConnected` — indicates whether a connection has been established.

Syntax

For C++ and C#:

```
bool isConnected (  
    void  
);
```

For Java:

```
boolean isConnected (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

TRUE is a connection to the DataHub has been established, FALSE otherwise.

See Also

[isConnecting](#), [openConnection](#), [retryConnection](#), [closeConnection](#)

isConnecting

`isConnecting` — indicates whether a connection attempt is in progress.

Syntax

For C++ and C#:

```
bool isConnecting (  
    void  
);
```

For Java:

```
boolean isConnecting (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

TRUE if the object is currently in the process of establishing a connection with the DataHub, FALSE otherwise.

See Also

[isConnected](#), [openConnection](#), [retryConnection](#), [closeConnection](#)

lookupPoint

lookupPoint — accesses a point from the point cache.

Syntax

For C++:

```
DataHubPoint* lookupPoint (  
    LPCTSTR pointname  
);
```

For Java, and C#:

```
DataHubPoint lookupPoint (  
    String pointname  
);
```

Parameters

pointname

The name of the point.

Returns

The corresponding point object in the point cache.

Description

This method returns a pointer to a cached [DataHubPoint](#) object matching the specified name object. If no object matching the name is in the cache, then NULL¹ is returned.

See Also

[initializePointCache](#)

Notes

1. null in Java and C#.

multiplyPointValue

multiplyPointValue — multiplies a DataHub point value by a specified amount.

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS multiplyPointValue (  
    CDataHubPoint& point,  
    double value  
);
```

```
ST_STATUS multiplyPointValue (  
    LPCTSTR pointname,  
    double value  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
Exception multiplyPointValue (  
    DataHubPoint point,  
    double value  
);
```

```
Exception multiplyPointValue (  
    String pointname,  
    double value  
);
```

Parameters

point

A [DataHubPoint](#) object. The name, seconds and nanoseconds members must be valid.

pointname

The name of the point. The point timestamp is automatically set to the current time.

value

The value by which to multiply the current point value.

Returns

For C++:

- ST_OK if the command was successfully sent to the DataHub. Since the command is sent asynchronously, the actual success or failure of the command must be determined through the [onSuccess](#) or [onError](#) message handlers.
- ST_NO_TASK if a connection to the DataHub does not exist.

- ST_ERROR if the connection socket is unable to send the message.

Description

This method multiplies the current value of the DataHub point by the specified value. If the DataHub point is not of a numeric type, then the DataHub will respond with an error, and [onError](#) will be called with the following arguments:

```
status: ST_WRONG_TYPE  
msg: "Wrong type"
```

If the DataHub point does not exist, then the DataHub will respond with an error, and [onError](#) will be called with the following arguments:

```
status: ST_NO_POINT  
msg: "Point does not exist"
```

Examples

```
multiplyPointValue(_T("intPoint1"), 1.0);  
CDataHubPoint point;  
point.name = "realPoint2";  
setPointTimeStamp (&point);  
multiplyPointValue(&point, 1.234);
```

See Also

[appendPointValue](#), [addPointValue](#), [dividePointValue](#), [writePoint](#)

openConnection

`openConnection` — attempts to establish a connection to the DataHub.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
void openConnection (  
    void  
);
```

Description

This method attempts to establish a connection to the DataHub, using the parameters set by [setConnectionParams](#).

See Also

[retryConnection](#), [closeConnection](#), [isConnecting](#), [isConnected](#)

readPoint

readPoint — gets the value of a DataHub point.

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS readPoint (  
    CDataHubPoint& point,  
    bool create=TRUE,  
    bool force=TRUE  
);
```

```
ST_STATUS readPoint (  
    LPCTSTR pointname,  
    bool create=TRUE,  
    bool force=TRUE  
);
```

For Java:

```
Exception readPoint (  
    DataHubPoint point  
);
```

```
Exception readPoint (  
    DataHubPoint point,  
    boolean create,  
    boolean force  
);
```

```
Exception readPoint (  
    String pointname  
);
```

```
Exception readPoint (  
    String pointname,  
    boolean create,  
    boolean force  
);
```

For C#:

```
Exception readPoint (  
    DataHubPoint point  
);
```

```
Exception readPoint (  
    DataHubPoint point,  
    bool create,  
    bool force  
);
```

```
Exception readPoint (  
    DataHubPoint point,  
    bool create,  
    bool force  
);
```

```
String pointname
);

Exception readPoint (
    String pointname,
    bool create,
    bool force
);
```

Parameters

point

A [DataHubPoint](#) object. The name member must be valid.

pointname

The name of the point.

create

If TRUE, then the point is created if it does not already exist. If FALSE and the point does not exist, then an error message will be generated.

force

If a valid connection to the DataHub exists but the message is undeliverable immediately (due to the TCP buffer being full), then if the force parameter is TRUE, the message is queued and will be transmitted when possible.

Returns

For C++:

- ST_OK if the command was successfully sent to the DataHub.
- ST_NO_TASK if a connection to the DataHub does not exist.
- ST_ERROR if the connection socket is unable to send the message.

Description

This method requests that the value of the specified point be transmitted. The point value is received as a point message, which causes the virtual method [onPointChange](#) to be called. The point value cannot be obtained synchronously.

If the *create* parameter is FALSE and the point does not exist, then the DataHub will respond with an error, and [onError](#) will be called with the following arguments:

```
status: ST_NO_POINT
msg: "Point does not exist"
```

Examples

```
readPointValue(_T("strPoint1"));
CDataHubPoint point;
point.name = "strPoint1";
readPoint(&point, FALSE);
```

See Also

[writePoint](#)

registerDomain

registerDomain — registers to receive updates from domain points.

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS registerDomain (
    LPCTSTR domainname,
    int flags
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
Exception registerDomain (
    String domainname,
    int flags
);
```

Parameters

domainname

The name of a domain.

flags

Specifies conditions and actions associated with registering the domain points, as follows (flags may be combined):

- DHC_FLAG_REG_FUTURE: points created in the future are also affected. If not set, then only those points existing (in the domain) at the time the command message is received by the DataHub are registered.
- DHC_FLAG_REG_QUALIFY: point names are to be transmitted with the domain name prepended to the point name, as *domainname:pointname*.
- DHC_FLAG_REG_ONCEONLY: the point values are transmitted only once, and the points remain unregistered. This mode is useful for obtaining an initial list of available points from which a selection is made of which ones to register.

Returns

For C++:

- ST_OK if the command was successfully sent to the DataHub. Since the command is sent asynchronously, the actual success or failure of the command must be determined through the [onSuccess](#) or [onError](#) message handlers.
- ST_NO_TASK if a connection to the DataHub does not exist.
- ST_ERROR if the connection socket is unable to send the message.

Description

This method registers the client to receive updates from the DataHub when the value of any points in the specified domain change. The [onPointChange](#) method is called for each point update received. The `registerDomain` method may be called more than once, and on different domains.

Upon registering the domain, all points currently in that domain of the DataHub are immediately transmitted to the client. Points that are subsequently created will only be sent if the `DHC_FLAG_REG_FUTURE` flag is specified. The `DHC_FLAG_REG_QUALIFY` flag is useful for distinguishing points from different domains that have the same name.

In a typical scenario, either there is no need to register for all points, or the point names are not even known. In either case, you can use the `DHC_FLAG_REG_ONCEONLY` flag to generate an initial list of all available points in the specified domain. Then you can call [registerPoint](#) on any points of interest, as they are received in [onPointChange](#).

See Also

[unregisterPoint](#), [setDefaultDomain](#), [registerPoint](#)

registerPoint

registerPoint — registers to receive updates from a DataHub point.

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS registerPoint (  
    CDataHubPoint& point,  
    bool create=TRUE  
);
```

```
ST_STATUS registerPoint (  
    LPCTSTR pointname,  
    bool create=TRUE  
);
```

For Java:

```
Exception registerPoint (  
    DataHubPoint point,  
    boolean create  
);
```

```
Exception registerPoint (  
    String pointname,  
    boolean create  
);
```

For C#:

```
Exception registerPoint (  
    DataHubPoint point,  
    bool create  
);
```

```
Exception registerPoint (  
    String pointname,  
    bool create  
);
```

Parameters

point

A [DataHubPoint](#) object. The name member must be valid.

pointname

The name of the point.

create

If TRUE, then the point is created if it does not already exist. If FALSE and the point does not exist, then an error message will be generated.

Returns

For C++:

- ST_OK if the command was successfully sent to the DataHub. Since the command is sent asynchronously, the actual success or failure of the command must be determined through the [onSuccess](#) or [onError](#) message handlers.
- ST_NO_TASK if a connection to the DataHub does not exist.
- ST_ERROR if the connection socket is unable to send the message.

Description

When a point is registered with the DataHub, any changes to the value of that point in the DataHub will cause the [onPointChange](#) method to be called. If the DataHub point does not exist, then the DataHub will respond with an error, and [onError](#) will be called with the following arguments:

```
status: ST_NO_POINT  
msg: "Point does not exist"
```

See Also

[writePoint](#), [unregisterPoint](#), [createPoint](#), [registerDomain](#)

retryConnection

`retryConnection` — opens a new connection to the DataHub (C++ only).

Syntax

For C++:

```
void retryConnection (  
    void  
);
```

Description

This method attempts to reestablish a connection to the DataHub.

See Also

[openConnection](#), [closeConnection](#), [isConnecting](#), [isConnected](#)

sendBinaryPointMessages

sendBinaryPointMessages — formats data in binary mode (C++ only).

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS sendBinaryPointMessages (  
    bool enable  
);
```

Parameters

enable

TRUE enables binary mode, FALSE disables it.

Returns

- ST_OK if the command was successfully sent to the DataHub. Since the command is sent asynchronously, the actual success or failure of the command must be determined through the [onSuccess](#) or [onError](#) message handlers.
- ST_NO_TASK if no connection to the DataHub is established.
- ST_TOO_LARGE if the message string exceeds the message buffer size.
- ST_ERROR if the format contains an error or if the connection socket is unable to send the message.

Description

This method tells the CDataHubConnector instance to format data in binary mode, and also to request binary mode transmissions from the DataHub. Binary messages are more CPU efficient than ASCII messages.

sendLispMessage

sendLispMessage — sends a message to the DataHub (C++ only).

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS sendLispMessage (  
    bool    force,  
    char*   format,  
    ...  
);
```

Parameters

force

If a valid connection to the DataHub exists but the message is undeliverable immediately (due to the TCP buffer being full), then if the force parameter is TRUE, the message is queued and will be transmitted when possible.

format

The text formatting string (see below).

...

Parameters required by the specified format.

Returns

For C++:

- ST_OK if the command was successfully sent to the DataHub. Since the command is sent asynchronously, the actual success or failure of the command must be determined through the [onSuccess](#) or [onError](#) message handlers.
- ST_NO_TASK if no connection to the DataHub is established.
- ST_TOO_LARGE if the message string exceeds the message buffer size.
- ST_ERROR if the format contains an error or if the connection socket is unable to send the message.

Description

This method is used to format and send commands to the DataHub, and should only be used by those very familiar with the operation of the DataHub. The DataHub command set is described in the Using Commands chapter of the Cogent DataHub manual. To send a command to the DataHub, it must be formatted such that strings and control characters are preserved through the message transfer and delivery process. The specialized format control specifiers of sendLispMessage make this easy to do.



The [writeCommand](#) method gives a similar functionality for Java and C#.

The format control string is similar to that used by printf, with the following differences:

- The %A field type specifier escapes all occurrences of double quotes, i.e., substitutes \" for each occurrence of \".

- The %a field type specifier escapes all occurrences of the following characters in addition to the double quote: \ CR LF FF TAB ().
- The %s field type specifier escapes the same characters as %a, and also encloses the string in double quotes.
- The %d (or %i) field type specifier assumes a parameter of type int, or of type long if preceded by an 'l' type specifier (%ld). No other type length specifiers are supported.
- The %f and %g field type specifiers assume a parameter of type double. No type length specifiers are supported.
- Other field type specifiers such as %c, %p, %n, %o, %u, %x and %e are not supported.
- The '*' field width specifier is not supported.



The string parameters corresponding to the %s, %a or %A field type specifiers *must* be of type char *.

Example

```
void CSetpoint::BuildObjectHierarchy(LPCTSTR sDomain, LPCTSTR sAssembly)
{
    CT2A aDomain(sDomain);
    char *domain = aDomain;
    CT2A aAssembly(sAssembly);
    char *assembly = aAssembly;
    CT2A aName(sName);
    char *name = aName;

    // (assembly domain name)
    pCnx->sendLispMessage(TRUE, "(assembly %s CSetpoint)", domain);
    // (subassembly domain assemblyname subassemblyname instancename)
    pCnx->sendLispMessage(TRUE, "(subassembly %s %s CSetpoint %s)", domain, assembly, name);
    // (property domain attrname propid propname type rw dflt_value dflt_conf)
    pCnx->sendLispMessage(TRUE, "(property %s CSetpoint auto AutoMode int rw 0 100)", domain);
    pCnx->sendLispMessage(TRUE, "(property %s CSetpoint auto AutoTime r8 rw 0 100)", domain);
}
```


sendLogin

sendLogin — transmits the user name and password.

Syntax

For C++:

```
void sendLogin (  
    void  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
public void sendLogin (  
    void  
);
```

Description

This method transmits the user name and password previously set by a call to [setUsername](#) or [setConnectionParms](#). The sendLogin method is normally called automatically when a successful connection is made to the DataHub, prior to the [onConnectionSuccess](#) user callback.

setConnectionParms

setConnectionParms — sets the connection parameters.

Syntax

For C++:

```
void setConnectionParms (  
    LPCTSTR hostname,  
    LPCTSTR servicename  
);
```

```
void setConnectionParms (  
    LPCTSTR hostname,  
    int port  
);
```

```
void setConnectionParms (  
    LPCTSTR hostname,  
    int port,  
    LPCTSTR username,  
    LPCTSTR password  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
void setConnectionParms (  
    String hostname,  
    int port  
);
```

```
void setConnectionParms (  
    String hostname,  
    int port,  
    String username,  
    String password  
);
```

Parameters

hostname

The name of the host running the DataHub.

servicename

The name of the port on which to connect.

port

The connection port number.

username

The name of a user.

password

A password for that user.

Description

This method sets the connection parameters to be used by the [openConnection](#) method. The port may be specified as either a string or directly by its number. The string may represent the port number, which is simply converted to an integer, or the symbolic port servicename. *If* a servicename is specified, then a lookup is performed immediately, and the resulting port number may be verified by following with a call to [getPort](#).

The expanded syntax allows for setting the user name and password. See [setUsername](#) for more details.

setDefaultDomain

setDefaultDomain — sets the default domain.

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS setDefaultDomain (  
    LPCTSTR domainname  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
Exception setDefaultDomain (  
    String domainname  
);
```

Parameters

domainname

The name of the domain.

Returns

For C++:

- ST_OK if the command was successfully sent to the DataHub. Since the command is sent asynchronously, the actual success or failure of the command must be determined through the [onSuccess](#) or [onError](#) message handlers.
- ST_NO_TASK if a connection to the DataHub does not exist.
- ST_ERROR if the connection socket is unable to send the message.

Description

This method sets the name of the DataHub domain to be automatically associated with all unqualified point names (i.e., point names that do not specify a domain). Since in many applications there is a single domain to which most if not all points belong, this feature makes point references simpler and shorter. Points in other domains can still be referenced by qualifying the point name with a specific domain name (see [qualifyName](#)).

If the DataHub is not connected at the time this method is called, then the domain will be transmitted when the connection is established.

See Also

[getDefaultDomain](#), [qualifyName](#)

setHeartbeatTimes

setHeartbeatTimes — sets the period of the heartbeat timers.

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS setHeartbeatTimes (  
    long heartbeat_ms,  
    long timeout_ms  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
Exception setHeartbeatTimes (  
    long heartbeat_ms,  
    long timeout_ms  
);
```

Parameters

heartbeat_ms

The period in milliseconds for the heartbeat timer, or 0 if a timer will not be used.

timeout_ms

The period in milliseconds for the timeout timer, or 0 if a timer will not be used.

Returns

For C++:

ST_OK if the timer values accepted, otherwise ST_ERROR. ST_ERROR can occur for the following reasons:

- The timeout timer value is not greater than heartbeat (if both values are greater than 0).
- The timers were already active and either timer failed to restart.

Description

The DataHub and API provide two heartbeat services to ensure the integrity of the connection:

1. A local, internal timeout timer, which when it fires, will close the connection and generate an error.
2. A periodic 'alive' heartbeat message from the DataHub, which triggers the virtual method [onAlive](#).

The timers can be started with [startHeartbeatTimers](#) once the respective periods have been set. If a timer is already running when setHeartbeatTimes is called, then that timer is restarted with the new period. If the timer is already running and the specified period is 0, then the timer is stopped.

The timeout timer is automatically reset whenever there is any activity over the connection, including the heartbeat timer message.

See Also

[getHeartbeat](#), [getTimeout](#), [startHeartbeatTimers](#), [cancelHeartbeatTimers](#)

setPointLock

setPointLock — sets the lock attributes of a DataHub point.

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS setPointLock (
    CDataHubPoint& point,
    bool locked
);
```

```
ST_STATUS setPointLock (
    LPCTSTR pointname,
    bool locked
);
```

For Java:

```
Exception setPointLock (
    DataHubPoint point,
    boolean locked
);
```

```
Exception setPointLock (
    String pointname,
    boolean locked
);
```

For C#:

```
Exception setPointLock (
    DataHubPoint point,
    bool locked
);
```

```
Exception setPointLock (
    String pointname,
    bool locked
);
```

Parameters

point

A [DataHubPoint](#) object. The name and security members must be valid.

pointname

The name of the point.

locked

If TRUE, the point will have its locked attribute set, otherwise the locked attribute is cleared.

Returns

For C++:

- ST_OK if the command was successfully sent to the DataHub. Since the command is sent asynchronously, the actual success or failure of the command must be determined through the [onSuccess](#) or [onError](#) message handlers.
- ST_NO_TASK if a connection to the DataHub does not exist.
- ST_ERROR if the connection socket is unable to send the message.

Description

This method sets the lock attributes of a DataHub point.

See Also

[setPointSecurity](#)

setPointSecurity

setPointSecurity — sets the security attributes of a DataHub point.

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS setPointSecurity (  
    CDataHubPoint& point,  
    int security  
);
```

```
ST_STATUS setPointSecurity (  
    LPCTSTR pointname,  
    int security  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
Exception setPointSecurity (  
    CDataHubPoint& point,  
    int security  
);
```

```
Exception setPointSecurity (  
    String pointname,  
    int security  
);
```

Parameters

point

A [DataHubPoint](#) object. The name and security members must be valid.

pointname

The name of the point.

security

The new security level to which the DataHub point will be set.

Returns

For C++:

- ST_OK if the command was successfully sent to the DataHub. Since the command is sent asynchronously, the actual success or failure of the command must be determined through the [onSuccess](#) or [onError](#) message handlers.
- ST_NO_TASK if a connection to the DataHub does not exist.
- ST_ERROR if the connection socket is unable to send the message.

Description

This method sets the security attributes of a DataHub point. An update to a DataHub point will be rejected unless the security level associated with the new point value is greater than or equal to the corresponding DataHub point. The default DataHub point security level is 0.

See Also

[setPointLock](#)

setReconnectionDelay

setReconnectionDelay — sets the delay time between reconnection attempts.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
void setReconnectionDelay (  
    long recon_ms  
);
```

Parameters

recon_ms

The delay time, in milliseconds, after connection failure before another attempt is automatically made.

Description

The [DataHubConnector](#) class provides an internal facility to automatically attempt reconnection in event of a failure. The default [onConnectionFailure](#) method will trigger the reconnection timer.

When the timer fires, the [retryConnection](#) method is called to cancel the timer and attempt to connect.

See Also

[getReconnectionDelay](#), [startReconnectionTimer](#), [cancelReconnectionTimer](#)

setUsername

setUsername — stores a user name and password for this connection.

Syntax

For C++:

```
void setUsername (
    LPCTSTR username,
    LPCTSTR password
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
public void setUsername (
    String username,
    String password
);
```

Parameters

username

The name of a user.

password

A password for that user.

Description

This method stores a user name and password for this connection, to be transmitted by a subsequent call to [sendLogin](#). When a subsequent successful connection is made to the DataHub, [sendLogin](#) will be called prior to the [onConnectionSuccess](#) callback. The .Net and Java implementations of setUsername will disconnect from the DataHub if the connection is currently active. The C++ implementation will not. If either of the username or password parameters is " " or NULL, then no username or password will be sent on the next successful connection.

See Also

[sendLogin](#), [setConnectionParms](#)

shutdown

shutdown — prepares for an application shutdown or disconnect (Java and C# only).

Syntax

For Java, and C#:

```
void shutdown (  
    String reason  
);
```

Parameters

reason

A character string that may be passed to the [onConnectionFailure](#) callback indicating the reason for the shutdown. If *reason* is null, a default string will be used.

Description

This method cleans up all resources, timers and sockets associated with the connection in preparation for application shutdown or removal of the [DataHubConnector](#) object. The application should not call any methods of the object or access any of its members after this method call is made. The result of any access to the object after this call is undefined.

See Also

[onConnectionFailure](#)

startHeartbeatTimers

startHeartbeatTimers — starts the heartbeat and timeout timers.

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS startHeartbeatTimers (  
    void  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
Exception startHeartbeatTimers (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

For C++:

ST_OK if the timers were successfully started, otherwise ST_ERROR.

Description

This method is used to start the two heartbeat timers. If a timer period has been set to 0, then that heartbeat timer function is disabled. The default behaviour of the [onConnectionSuccess](#) method is to make a call to [startHeartbeatTimers](#).

See Also

[setHeartbeatTimes](#), [cancelHeartbeatTimers](#), [onConnectionSuccess](#)

startReconnectionTimer

`startReconnectionTimer` — starts the delay timer for reconnection attempts.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
void startReconnectionTimer (  
    void  
);
```

Description

This method is used to start the reconnection timer. The default behaviour of the [onConnectionFailure](#) method is to make a call to `startReconnectionTimer`. See [setReconnectionDelay](#) for more details.

unregisterPoint

`unregisterPoint` — stops receiving updates from a DataHub point.

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS unregisterPoint (  
    CDataHubPoint& point  
);
```

```
ST_STATUS unregisterPoint (  
    LPCTSTR pointname  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
Exception unregisterPoint (  
    DataHubPoint point  
);
```

```
Exception unregisterPoint (  
    String pointname  
);
```

Parameters

point

A [DataHubPoint](#) object. The name member must be valid.

pointname

The name of the point.

Returns

For C++:

- `ST_OK` if the command was successfully sent to the DataHub. Since the command is sent asynchronously, the actual success or failure of the command must be determined through the [onSuccess](#) or [onError](#) message handlers.
- `ST_NO_TASK` if a connection to the DataHub does not exist.
- `ST_ERROR` if the connection socket is unable to send the message.

Description

This method stops changes to the specified DataHub point from invoking the [onPointChange](#) method. If the DataHub point does not exist, then the DataHub will respond with an error, and [onError](#) will be called with the following arguments:

```
status: ST_NO_POINT  
msg: "Point does not exist"
```


See Also

[writePoint](#), [registerPoint](#)

writeCommand

`writeCommand` — sends a command to the DataHub (Java and C# only).

Syntax

For Java and C#:

```
Exception writeCommand (  
    String command  
);
```

Parameters

command

A concatenation of [escapedStrings](#) whose original format was a Lisp command.

Returns

This has not yet been documented.

Description

This method is used to send formatted commands to the DataHub, and should only be used by those very familiar with the operation of the DataHub. The DataHub command set is described in the Using Commands chapter of the Cogent DataHub manual. To send a command to the DataHub, it must be formatted such that strings and control characters are preserved through the message transfer and delivery process. You must concatenate together the necessary command string, using the [escapedString](#) method to provide the necessary protection of strings.



The [sendLispMessage](#) method gives a similar functionality for C++.

See Also

[escapedString](#)

writePoint

writePoint — writes a new value to a DataHub point.

Syntax

For C++:

```
ST_STATUS writePoint (  
    CDataHubPoint& point,  
    bool create=TRUE,  
    int force=FALSE  
);
```

```
ST_STATUS writePoint (  
    LPCTSTR pointname,  
    int value,  
    bool create=TRUE,  
    bool force=FALSE  
);
```

```
ST_STATUS writePoint (  
    LPCTSTR pointname,  
    double value,  
    bool create=TRUE,  
    bool force=FALSE  
);
```

```
ST_STATUS writePoint (  
    LPCTSTR pointname,  
    LPCTSTR value,  
    bool create=TRUE,  
    bool force=FALSE  
);
```

For Java:

```
Exception writePoint (  
    DataHubPoint point,  
    boolean create,  
    boolean force  
);
```

```
Exception writePoint (  
    String pointname,  
    String value,  
    boolean create,  
    boolean force  
);
```

```
Exception writePoint (  
    String pointname,  
    String value  
);
```

```
Exception writePoint (  
    String pointname,
```

```

    double value,
    boolean create,
    boolean force
);

```

```

Exception writePoint (
    String pointname,
    double value
);

```

```

Exception writePoint (
    String pointname,
    int value,
    boolean create,
    boolean force
);

```

```

Exception writePoint (
    String pointname,
    int value
);

```

```

Exception writePoint (
    String pointname,
    int type,
    String value_as_string,
    boolean create,
    boolean force
);

```

For C#:

```

Exception writePoint (
    DataHubPoint point,
    bool create,
    bool force
);

```

```

Exception writePoint (
    String pointname,
    String value,
    bool create,
    bool force
);

```

```

Exception writePoint (
    String pointname,
    String value
);

```

```

Exception writePoint (
    String pointname,
    double value,
    bool create,
    bool force
);

```

```
Exception writePoint (
    String pointname,
    double value
);
```

```
Exception writePoint (
    String pointname,
    int value,
    bool create,
    bool force
);
```

```
Exception writePoint (
    String pointname,
    int value
);
```

```
Exception writePoint (
    String pointname,
    int type,
    String value_as_string,
    bool create,
    bool force
);
```

Parameters

point

A [DataHubPoint](#) object. The name, type, value, seconds and nanoseconds members must be valid.

create

If TRUE, then the point is created if it does not already exist. If FALSE and the point does not exist, then an error message will be generated.

force

If a valid connection to the DataHub exists but the message is undeliverable immediately (due to the TCP buffer being full), then if the force parameter is TRUE, the message is queued and will be transmitted when possible.

pointname

The name of the point. The point timestamp is automatically set to the current time.

value

The integer, double, or string value to write to the point. The type of the point in the DataHub will be changed accordingly.

Returns

For C++:

- ST_OK if the command was successfully sent to the DataHub. Since the command is sent asynchronously, the actual success or failure of the command must be determined through the [onSuccess](#) or [onError](#) message handlers.
- ST_NO_TASK if a connection to the DataHub does not exist.
- ST_ERROR if the connection socket is unable to send the message.

Description

This method writes the given point to the DataHub. If a [DataHubPoint](#) is used, then the point name, type, value, quality and timestamp members must be set. If the point is specified by name, then the type is determined by the specific overloaded method and the timestamp is set to the current time.

If a domain name has been associated with the client (see [setDefaultDomain](#)), then the point will be written to that domain, otherwise it will be written to the domain named `default`. In any case, the domain can always be overridden by qualifying the point name as *domain name:point name* (see [qualifyName](#)).

If the point has been registered (see [registerPoint](#)), and the DataHub point is successfully written, then the [onPointEcho](#) method will be invoked.

If the *create* parameter is `FALSE` and the point does not exist, then the DataHub will respond with an error, and [onError](#) will be called with the following arguments:

```
status: ST_NO_POINT
msg: "Point does not exist"
```

Examples

```
CDataHubPoint point;
point.name = "point1";
point.type = PT_TYPE_REAL;
point.quality = PT_QUALITY_GOOD;
point.value = 123.456;
setPointTimeStamp(&point);
writePoint(&point, FALSE); // point must exist or error is generated
// write real-valued point, create if needed
writePoint(_T("point2"), 123.456);
```

See Also

[readPoint](#)

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onAlive

`onAlive` — a virtual method invoked on receipt of a heartbeat from the DataHub.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
void onAlive (  
    void  
);
```

Description

This method is invoked upon receipt of the 'alive' heartbeat message from the DataHub. See [setHeartbeatTimes](#) for more details on this feature.

See Also

[setHeartbeatTimes](#), [getHeartbeat](#), [startHeartbeatTimers](#),
[cancelHeartbeatTimers](#)

onAsyncMessage

onAsyncMessage — a virtual method invoked on receipt of a DataHub message.

Syntax

For C++:

```
virtual void onAsyncMessage (  
    int argc,  
    char** argv  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
virtual void onAsyncMessage (  
    String[] arguments  
);
```

Parameters

argc

The number of parameters in the DataHub message.

argv, arguments

An array of strings which are the parameters in the DataHub message.

Description

This virtual method is invoked on receipt of a DataHub message. This method is only called if none of the other callbacks are called.

See Also

[onStatusChange](#), [onSuccess](#), [onError](#), [onConnectionSuccess](#),
[onConnectionFailure](#)

onConnectionFailure

`onConnectionFailure` — a virtual method invoked when a connection or attempt to connect fails.

Syntax

For C++:

```
virtual void onConnectionFailure (  
    LPCTSTR host,  
    int port,  
    LPCTSTR reason  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
virtual void onConnectionFailure (  
    String host,  
    int port,  
    String reason  
);
```

Parameters

host

The name of the host running the DataHub.

port

The connection port number.

reason

The reason for the failure.

Description

This virtual method is invoked when a connection or attempt to connect fails. The default behaviour is to make a call to `startReconnectionTimer`.

See Also

[onStatusChange](#), [onConnectionSuccess](#), [startReconnectionTimer](#)

onConnectionSuccess

`onConnectionSuccess` — a virtual method invoked when a connection is established.

Syntax

For C++:

```
virtual void onConnectionSuccess (  
    LPCTSTR host,  
    int port  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
virtual void onConnectionSuccess (  
    String host,  
    int port  
);
```

Parameters

host

The name of the host running the DataHub.

port

The connection port number.

Description

This virtual method is invoked when a connection is established. The default behaviour is to make a call to `cancelReconnectionTimer`.

See Also

[onStatusChange](#), [onConnectionFailure](#), [cancelReconnectionTimer](#)

onError

onError — a virtual method invoked on receipt of an error message.

Syntax

For C++:

```
virtual void onError (  
    ST_STATUS status,  
    LPCTSTR err_str,  
    LPCTSTR cmd,  
    LPCTSTR parms  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
virtual void onError (  
    int status,  
    String err_str,  
    String cmd,  
    String parms  
);
```

Parameters

status

The status code returned by the DataHub.

err_str

The error string, providing more detailed information about the error.

cmd

The original command sent to the DataHub to which this reply corresponds.

parms

The list of parameters sent as part of the command, as a single space-separated string, or NULL¹ if none are returned. If the command involved multiple parameters, the list may be truncated.

Description

This virtual method is invoked on receipt of an error message.

See Also

[getErrString](#), [onSuccess](#), [onConnectionSuccess](#), [onConnectionFailure](#)

Notes

1. null in Java and C#.

onPointChange

onPointChange — a virtual method invoked on receipt of a point value change.

Syntax

For C++:

```
virtual void onPointChange (  
    CDataHubPoint& point  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
virtual void onPointChange (  
    DataHubPoint point  
);
```

Parameters

point

A [DataHubPoint](#) object. The name member must be valid.

Description

This virtual method is invoked on receipt of a point value change.

See Also

[onPointEcho](#)

onPointEcho

onPointEcho — a virtual method invoked on receipt of a locally changed point value.

Syntax

For C++:

```
virtual void onPointEcho (  
    CDataHubPoint& point  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
virtual void onPointEcho (  
    DataHubPoint point  
);
```

Parameters

point

A [DataHubPoint](#) object. The name member must be valid.

Description

This virtual method is invoked on receipt of a locally changed point value.

See Also

[onPointChange](#)

onStatusChange

onStatusChange — a virtual method invoked on change of status.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
virtual void onStatusChange (  
    DHC_tState prev_state,  
    DHC_tState state  
);
```

Parameters

prev_state

The previous state.

state

The current state.

Description

This is a virtual method which is invoked on change of status. See [getCnxState](#) for a definition of the possible states.

See Also

[getCnxState](#)

onSuccess

`onSuccess` — a virtual method invoked on receipt of a success message.

Syntax

For C++:

```
virtual void onSuccess (
    LPCTSTR cmd,
    LPCTSTR parms
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
virtual void onSuccess (
    String cmd,
    String parms
);
```

Parameters

cmd

The original command sent to the DataHub to which this reply corresponds.

parms

The list of parameters sent as part of the command, as a single space-separated string, or NULL¹ if none are returned. If the command involved multiple parameters, the list may be truncated.

Description

This virtual method is invoked on receipt of a success message. When a client sends a command to the DataHub, the DataHub will respond with one of:

- information appropriate to the command
- a success message
- a failure message

If a command succeeds, the DataHub will either respond with information appropriate to the command, or it will send a success message if no information should be returned. If a command fails, the DataHub will always respond with a failure message.

A client has the choice of whether to receive the success messages. Commonly you don't want to expend the bandwidth by receiving success messages for every message you send to the DataHub. A client can turn on and off the success messages by emitting the DataHub command (`acksuccess 0|1`). This command does not have an associated API function wrapper, so you have to emit it using the [sendLispMessage](#) command, like this:

```
connection.sendLispMessage (true, "(acksuccess 1)");
```



The exact syntax of the call depends on whether you are using C++, .Net or Java.

See Also

[onStatusChange](#), [onAsyncMessage](#), [onError](#), [onConnectionSuccess](#),
[onConnectionFailure](#)

Notes

1. null in Java and C#.

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These are the methods associated with the `DataHubPoint` class, listed alphabetically. To see the same methods grouped according to how they are used, please refer to the [Categorized List of Methods](#).

DataHubPoint

DataHubPoint — constructs a DataHubPoint object.

Syntax

For C++:

```
CDataHubPoint (  
    void  
);  
  
CDataHubPoint (  
    const CDataHubPoint& point  
);  
  
CDataHubPoint (  
    LPCTSTR sname  
);  
  
CDataHubPoint (  
    LPCTSTR sname,  
    int itype,  
    LPCTSTR svalue,  
    int iconf,  
    int iquality,  
    int isecurity,  
    int ilocked,  
    int iseconds,  
    int inanoseconds,  
    int iflags  
);
```

For Java, and C#:

```
DataHubPoint (  
    String sname  
);  
  
DataHubPoint (  
    String sname,  
    int itype,  
    String svalue,  
    int iconf,  
    int iquality,  
    int isecurity,  
    int ilocked,  
    int iseconds,  
    int inanoseconds,  
    int iflags  
);
```

Parameters

point

An existing point to be copied.

sname

The point name. The '.' character may be used to separate name fields. A point name may be qualified by its corresponding domain as *domain:name*, otherwise it is treated by the DataHub as belonging to the current default domain. Point names must be matched exactly, i.e., the qualified and unqualified point names are not the same.

itype

The type of the point: PT_TYPE_STRING, PT_TYPE_INT32 or PT_TYPE_REAL.

svalue

A string representing the value, to be converted according to the specified type.

iconf

The point confidence, typically 0-100.

iquality

The point quality, typically PT_QUALITY_GOOD or PT_QUALITY_BAD.

isecurity

The point security.

ilocked

The locked flag for the point.

iseconds

The seconds component of the initial timestamp (since Jan. 1, 1970).

inoseconds

The nanosecond component of the initial timestamp.

iflags

The point flags.

Description

Constructs a new [DataHubPoint](#) object.

See Also

[DataHubPoint Class](#), [Categorized List of Methods](#)

~DataHubPoint

`~DataHubPoint` — destroys a `DataHubPoint` object.

Syntax

For C++:

```
~DataHubPoint (  
    void  
);
```

For Java, and C#:

None.

Description

Destroys a [DataHubPoint](#) object.

See Also

[DataHubPoint Class](#), [Categorized List of Methods](#)

operator=

`operator=` — assigns a new value to a `DataHubPoint` object (C++ only).

Syntax

For C++:

```
CDataHubPoint& operator= (  
    CDataHubPoint& point  
);
```

For Java, and C#:

None.

Parameters

point

A `DataHubPoint` object to be copied into this `DataHubPoint` object.

Description

Copies the name, value and information from the source object. Existing data in the destination object is cleared. A memory exception may occur due to allocation of the name and string type data.

See Also

[DataHubPoint Class](#), [Categorized List of Methods](#), [clear](#)

clear

clear — clears the point.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
void clear (  
    void  
);
```

Description

Clears the point, releasing the current name and string values, if any. The cleared point is a valid point of type PT_TYPE_INT32, with value of 0 and PT_QUALITY_BAD.

copy

copy — copies the point data.

Syntax

For C++:

```
void copy (  
    const CDataHubPoint& point  
);
```

For Java, and C#:

```
void copy (  
    DataHubPoint point  
);
```

Parameters

point

A [DataHubPoint](#) object to be copied into this DataHubPoint object.

Description

Please refer to the [operator=](#) method.

getConfidence

getConfidence — retrieves the user's point confidence.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
int getConfidence (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The confidence value of this point object.

getDateString

getDateString — generates a 'standard' timestamp data/time representation.

Syntax

For C++:

```
CString getDateString (  
    void  
);
```

For C#:

```
String getDateString (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

A String object representing the current timestamp in exactly 26 characters as *Day Mmm dt hr:mn:sc yyyy*\n. For example *Wed Jan 02 02:03:55 1980*\n.

Description

A simple convenience function to generate a timestamp string.

getDoubleValue

getDoubleValue — retrieves the point data as a double-typed value.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
double getDoubleValue (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The current object value as a double.

Description

This method will convert the point value type if needed. If the string cannot be converted, 0 . 0 is returned. Strings representing hex, octal, or binary integers generate 0 . 0.

getFlags

getFlags — retrieves the flags property of the point.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
int getFlags (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The current point flags.

getIntValue

getIntValue — retrieves the point data as an int-typed value.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
int getIntValue (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The current object value as an integer.

Description

This method will convert the point value type if needed. If the string cannot be converted, 0 is returned. Strings representing hex, octal, or binary integers generate 0.

getListeners

getListeners — retrieves listeners on the point (Java only).

Syntax

For Java only:

```
LinkedList getListeners (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

A list of the current listeners on the point.

getLocked

getLocked — retrieves the locked property of the point.

Syntax

For C++ and C#:

```
bool getLocked (  
    void  
);
```

For Java:

```
boolean getLocked (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The current locked status of the point.

getName

getName — retrieves the point name.

Syntax

For C++:

```
CString getName (  
    void  
);
```

For Java, and C#:

```
String getName (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The point name.

getNanoseconds

getNanoseconds — retrieves the timestamp nanoseconds component.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
int getNanoseconds (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The nanoseconds component of the timestamp.

getQuality

getQuality — retrieves the point quality.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
int getQuality (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The point quality.

getQualityString

getQualityString — generates a string representing the point quality.

Syntax

For C++:

```
CString getQualityString (  
    void  
);
```

For Java, and C#:

```
String getQualityString (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

A string representing the quality assigned to the point.

getSeconds

getSeconds — retrieves the timestamp seconds component.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
int getSeconds (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The timestamp seconds component.

getSecurity

`getSecurity` — retrieves the security property of the point.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
int getSecurity (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The point security.

getStringValue

getStringValue — retrieves the point data as a string.

Syntax

For C++:

```
CString getStringValue (  
    void  
);
```

For Java, and C#:

```
String getStringValue (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

A string representing the current point value.

Description

This method will convert the point value type if needed. Values of type `real` are converted using the `%g` format.

getType

getType — retrieves the point data type.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
int getType (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The point type, one of PT_TYPE_STRING, PT_TYPE_REAL, or PT_TYPE_INT32.

getUserdata

getUserdata — retrieves the user object associated with the point.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
void* getUserdata (  
    void  
);
```

Returns

The user data previously set by [setUserData](#).

qualifyName

`qualifyName` — creates a point name string qualified by a domain name.

Syntax

For C++:

```
static CString qualifyName (  
    LPCTSTR domainname,  
    LPCTSTR pointname  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
static String qualifyName (  
    String domainname,  
    String pointname  
);
```

Parameters

pointname

The name of the point.

domainname

The name of the domain containing the point.

Returns

A string with the correctly formatted qualified point name.

Description

This utility method is used to add the domain name qualifier to a point name, using the format *domainname:pointname*. If the point name is already qualified, then the domain name is replaced with the new *domainname* specified.



If `setDefaultDomain` is used, and the point belongs to that domain, then it is not necessary to qualify the point. A qualified point name is normally used to reference points from domains other than the application's default domain.

Examples

All of these would reference the same point:

```
1. writePoint(_T("domain1:point1")), 1);  
2. writePoint(CDataHubPoint::qualifyName(_T("domain1"),_T("point1")), 1);  
3. setDefaultDomain(_T("domain1"));  
   writePoint(_T("point1"), 1);
```

See Also

[setDefaultDomain](#), [unqualifyName](#), [writePoint](#), [registerPoint](#)

removeListener

`removeListener` — removes a listener from the point (Java only).

Syntax

For Java only:

```
void removeListener (  
    DataHubListener listener  
);
```

Parameters

listener

Not yet documented.

Returns

Not yet documented.

setConfidence

setConfidence — sets the user's confidence in a point.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
void setConfidence (  
    int iconf  
);
```

Parameters

iconf

The point confidence, typically 0-100.

Description

Sets the user's confidence in a point. See [DataHubPoint](#).

setInfo

setInfo — sets the information properties of a point.

Syntax

For C++:

```
void setInfo (  
    CDataHubPoint& point  
);
```

```
void setInfo (  
    int iconf,  
    int iquality,  
    int isecurity,  
    int ilocked,  
    int iseconds,  
    int inanoseconds,  
    int iflags  
);
```

For Java, and C#:

```
void setInfo (  
    DataHubPoint point  
);
```

```
void setInfo (  
    int iconf,  
    int iquality,  
    int isecurity,  
    int ilocked,  
    int iseconds,  
    int inanoseconds,  
    int iflags  
);
```

Parameters

point

An existing point from which to copy all the information values (not name, type or value).

iconf

The point confidence, typically 0-100.

iquality

The point quality, typically PT_QUALITY_GOOD or PT_QUALITY_BAD.

isecurity

The point security.

ilocked

The locked flag for the point.

iseconds

The seconds component of the initial timestamp (since Jan. 1, 1970).

inanooseconds

The nanosecond component of the initial timestamp.

iflags

The point flags.

Description

Sets all the information properties of a point.

setLocked

setLocked — sets the locked property of the point.

Syntax

For C++ and C#:

```
void setLocked (  
    bool ilocked  
);
```

For Java:

```
void setLocked (  
    boolean ilocked  
);
```

Parameters

ilocked

The locked flag for the point.

Description

Sets the locked property of the point.

setName

setName — assigns a name to the point.

Syntax

For C++:

```
void setName (  
    LPCTSTR sname  
);
```

```
void setName (  
    LPCTSTR sdomain,  
    LPCTSTR sname  
);
```

For Java, and C#:

```
void setName (  
    String sname  
);
```

Parameters

sname

A string containing the name to be assigned to the point.

sdomain

A string containing the domain name.

Description

Assigns a name to the point. Any existing name is released. See notes regarding *sname* parameter of [DataHubPoint](#). If a domain is specified, then the qualified point name is constructed.

setQuality

setQuality — sets the point quality.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
void setQuality (  
    int iquality  
);
```

Parameters

iquality

The point quality, typically PT_QUALITY_GOOD or PT_QUALITY_BAD.

Description

Sets the point quality.

setSecurity

setSecurity — sets the security property of the point.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
void setSecurity (  
    int isecurity  
);
```

Parameters

isecurity

The point security.

Description

Sets the security property of the point.

setTimeStamp

setTimeStamp — sets the point timestamp in various ways.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
void setTimeStamp (  
    int seconds,  
    int nanoseconds  
);
```

```
void setTimeStamp (  
    DATE datetime  
);
```

```
void setTimeStamp (  
    void  
);
```

Parameters

seconds

The number of seconds since Jan 1, 1970.

nanoseconds

The sub-second component of the timestamp, typically accurate to the extent permitted by the OS.

datetime

Time expressed in the Microsoft DATE format, the number of days since Dec.30, 1899.

Description

The parameter-less version of this method will set the timestamp to the current OS time.

setFlags

setFlags — sets the flags property of the point.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
void setFlags (  
    int flags  
);
```

Parameters

iflags

The point flags.

Description

Sets the flags property of the point.

setUserData

setUserData — associates the point with a user object.

Syntax

For C++, Java, and C#:

```
void setUserData (  
    void* userdata  
);
```

Parameters

userdata

Any user-supplied data of size (void*).

Description

Sets the *userdata* property of a point. The user is free to set this to anything (of the appropriate size). When a point is updated in the [DataHubConnector](#) point cache, this property is maintained, providing the user with a facility for maintaining an association between a point and an object in the user's application space.

See Also

[getUserData](#), [initializePointCache](#)

setValue

setValue — sets the point data to the specified type and value.

Syntax

For C++:

```
void setValue (  
    CDataHubPoint& point  
);
```

```
void setValue (  
    LPCTSTR svalue  
);
```

```
void setValue (  
    double dvalue  
);
```

```
void setValue (  
    int ivalue  
);
```

For Java, and C#:

```
void setValue (  
    String svalue  
);
```

```
void setValue (  
    double dvalue  
);
```

```
void setValue (  
    int ivalue  
);
```

Parameters

point

A [DataHubPoint class](#) object whose data type and value are to be copied into this DataHubPoint object.

svalue

The desired string value.

dvalue

The desired double value.

ivalue

The desired integer value.

Description

Sets the object's data value and sets the type accordingly.

setValueFromString

setValueFromString — sets the point data to the value represented by a string.

Syntax

For C++:

```
void setValueFromString (  
    LPCTSTR svalue  
);
```

```
void setValueFromString (  
    LPCTSTR svalue,  
    int itype  
);
```

For Java, and C#:

```
void setValueFromString (  
    String svalue  
);
```

```
void setValueFromString (  
    String svalue,  
    int itype  
);
```

Parameters

sValue

A string to be used to set the value.

itype

The type of the point: PT_TYPE_STRING, PT_TYPE_INT32 or PT_TYPE_REAL.

Description

If the type is specified, then the string is converted as required. If the type is not specified, then the method determines whether the string represents an integer or double value, converting to that type if possible.

unqualifyName

`unqualifyName` — removes the domain name qualifier from a point name.

Syntax

For C++:

```
static CString unqualifyName (  
    LPCTSTR pointname  
);
```

For Java and C#:

```
static String unqualifyName (  
    String pointname  
);
```

Parameters

pointname

The name of the point.

Returns

The pointname with the domain name qualifier, if any, removed.

Description

This utility method is used to remove a domain name qualifier from a point name. See [qualifyName](#) for more information on qualifying a point name with a domain name.

See Also

[qualifyName](#), [registerPoint](#)

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