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CHAPTER 1

Introduction

python-snap7 is a Python wrapper for the [Snap7 library](#). Snap7 is an open source, 32/64 bit, multi-platform Ethernet communication suite for interfacing natively with Siemens S7 PLCs.

Python-snap7 is developer for snap7 1.1.0 and Python 3.7+. It is tested on Windows (10 64 bit), OSX 10.15 and Linux, but it may work on other operating systems. Python Versions <3.7 may work, but is not supported anymore.

The project development is centralized on [github](#).

CHAPTER 2

Binary Wheel Installation

We advice you to install python-snap7 using a binary wheel. The binary wheels should work on Windows 64x, OS X (intel) and Linux x64. python-snap7 is available on [PyPI](#). You can install it by using pip:

```
$ pip install python-snap7
```

Manual Installation (not recommended)

If you are running an unsupported platform you need to do a bit more work. This involves two steps. First, install the snap7 library, followed by the installation of the python-snap7 package.

3.1 Snap7

3.1.1 Ubuntu

If you are using Ubuntu you can use the Ubuntu packages from our [launchpad PPA](#). To install:

```
$ sudo add-apt-repository ppa:gijzelaar/snap7
$ sudo apt-get update
$ sudo apt-get install libsnap7-1 libsnap7-dev
```

3.1.2 Windows

Download the zip file from the [sourceforce page](#). Unzip the zip file, and copy release\\Windows\\Win64\\snap7.dll somewhere in your system PATH, for example %systemroot%\\System32\\. Alternatively you can copy the file somewhere on your file system and adjust the system PATH.

3.1.3 OSX

The snap7 library is available on [Homebrew](#):

```
$ brew install snap7
```

3.1.4 Compile from source

Download the latest source from [the sourceforce page](#) and do a manual compile. Download the file and run:

```
$ p7zip -d snap7-full-1.0.0.7z # requires the p7 program
$ cd build/<platform>         # where platform is unix or windows
$ make -f <arch>.mk install   # where arch is your architecture, for example x86_64_
↪ linux
```

For more information about or help with compilation please check out the documentation on the [snap7 website](#).

3.2 Python-Snap7

Once snap7 is available in your library or system path, you can install it from the git repository or from a source tarball:

```
$ python ./setup.py install
```

4.1 Github

We develop python-snap7 on [github](#). If you have questions about python-snap7 please raise a question in the [Q&A discussion sessions](#). If you have a bug or feature request for python-snap7 please raise an issue in the [issue tracker](#). Even better is if you have a solution to problem! In that case you can make our live easier by following these steps:

- fork our repository on Github
- Add a tests that will fail because of the problem
- Fix the problem
- Run the test suite again
- Commit to your repository
- Issue a github pull request.

Also we try to be as much pep8 compatible as possible, where possible and reasonable.

4.2 Test suite

python-snap7 comes with a test suite with close to 100% coverage. This test suite verifies that the code actually works and makes development much easier. To run all tests please run from the source:

```
$ make test
```

Note that some tests require to run as root, since snap7 needs to bind on a privileged TCP port.

If the test complain about missing Python modules make sure the source directory is in your *PYTHONPATH* environment variable, or the python-snap7 module is installed.

4.3 Credits

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Snap7 client used for connection to a siemens 7 server.

class snap7.client.**Client** (*lib_location: Optional[str] = None*)
A snap7 client

Examples

```
>>> import snap7
>>> client = snap7.client.Client()
>>> client.connect("127.0.0.1", 0, 0, 1102)
>>> client.get_connected()
True
>>> data = client.db_read(1, 0, 4)
>>> data
bytearray(b"\x00\x00\x00\x00")
>>> data[3] = 0b00000001
>>> data
bytearray(b'\x00\x00\x00\x01')
>>> client.db_write(1, 0, data)
```

__init__ (*lib_location: Optional[str] = None*)
Creates a new *Client* instance.

Parameters **lib_location** – Full path to the snap7.dll file. Optional.

Examples

```
>>> import snap7
>>> client = snap7.client.Client() # If the `snap7.dll` file is in the path_
↳ location
>>> client = snap7.client.Client(lib_location="/path/to/snap7.dll") # If the_
↳ `snap7.dll` file is in another location
```

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```
>>> client
<snap7.client.Client object at 0x0000028B257128E0>
```

ab_read (*start: int, size: int*) → bytearray
Reads a part of IPU area from a PLC.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index from where start to read.
- **size** – amount of bytes to read.

Returns Buffer with the data read.

ab_write (*start: int, data: bytearray*) → int
Writes a part of IPU area into a PLC.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index from where start to write.
- **data** – buffer with the data to be written.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_ab_read (*start: int, size: int, data*) → int
Reads a part of IPU area from a PLC asynchronously.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index from where start to read.
- **size** – amount of bytes to read.
- **data** – buffer where the data will be place.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_ab_write (*start: int, data: bytearray*) → int
Writes a part of IPU area into a PLC asynchronously.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index from where start to write.
- **data** – buffer with the data to be written.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_compress (*time: int*) → int
Performs the Compress action asynchronously.

Parameters **time** – timeout.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_copy_ram_to_rom (*timeout: int = 1*) → int
Performs the Copy Ram to Rom action asynchronously.

Parameters **timeout** – time to wait unly fail.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_ct_read (*start: int, amount: int, data*) → int
Reads counters from a PLC asynchronously.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index to start to read from.
- **amount** – amount of bytes to read.
- **data** – buffer where the value read will be place.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_ct_write (*start: int, amount: int, data: bytearray*) → int
Write counters into a PLC.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index to start to write from.
- **amount** – amount of bytes to write.
- **data** – buffer to be write.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_db_fill (*db_number: int, filler*) → int
Fills a DB in AG with a given byte.

Parameters

- **db_number** – number of DB to fill.
- **filler** – buffer to fill with.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_db_get (*db_number: int, _buffer, size*) → bytearray
Uploads a DB from AG using DBRead.

Note: This method will not work in 1200/1500.

Parameters

- **db_number** – number of DB to get.
- **_buffer** – buffer where the data read will be place.
- **size** – amount of bytes to be read.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_db_read (*db_number: int, start: int, size: int, data*) → ctypes.Array
Reads a part of a DB from a PLC.

Parameters

- **db_number** – number of DB to be read.
- **start** – byte index from where start to read from.
- **size** – amount of bytes to read.
- **data** – buffer where the data read will be place.

Returns Snap7 code.

Examples

```
>>> import ctypes
>>> data = (ctypes.c_uint8 * size_to_read)() # In this ctypes array data_
↳ will be stored.
>>> result = client.as_db_read(1, 0, size_to_read, data)
>>> result # 0 = success
0
```

as_db_write (*db_number: int, start: int, size: int, data*) → int

Writes a part of a DB into a PLC.

Parameters

- **db_number** – number of DB to be write.
- **start** – byte index from where start to write to.
- **size** – amount of bytes to write.
- **data** – buffer to be write.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_download (*data: bytearray, block_num: int*) → int

Download a block into AG asynchronously.

Note: A whole block (including header and footer) must be available into the user buffer.

Parameters

- **block_num** – new block number.
- **data** – buffer where the data will be place.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_eb_read (*start: int, size: int, data*) → int

Reads a part of IPI area from a PLC asynchronously.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index from where to start reading from.
- **size** – amount of bytes to read.
- **data** – buffer where the data read will be place.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_eb_write (*start: int, size: int, data: bytearray*) → int

Writes a part of IPI area into a PLC.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index from where to start writing from.
- **size** – amount of bytes to write.
- **data** – buffer to write.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_full_upload (*_type: str, block_num: int*) → int
Uploads a block from AG with Header and Footer infos.

Note: Upload means from PLC to PC.

Parameters

- **_type** – type of block.
- **block_num** – number of block to upload.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_list_blocks_of_type (*blocktype: str, data, count*) → int
Returns the AG blocks list of a given type.

Parameters

- **blocktype** – block type.
- **data** – buffer where the data will be place.
- **count** – pass.

Returns Snap7 code.

Raises `ValueError` – if the *blocktype* is invalid

as_mb_read (*start: int, size: int, data*) → int
Reads a part of Merkers area from a PLC.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index from where to start to read from.
- **size** – amount of byte to read.
- **data** – buffer where the data read will be place.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_mb_write (*start: int, size: int, data: bytearray*) → int
Writes a part of Merkers area into a PLC.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index from where to start to write to.
- **size** – amount of byte to write.
- **data** – buffer to write.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_read_area (*area: snap7.types.Areas, dbnumber: int, start: int, size: int, wordlen: snap7.types.WordLen, pusldata*) → int
Reads a data area from a PLC asynchronously. With it you can read DB, Inputs, Outputs, Merkers, Timers and Counters.

Parameters

- **area** – memory area to be read from.
- **dbnumber** – The DB number, only used when area=Areas.DB
- **start** – offset to start writing

- **size** – number of units to read
- **pusrdata** – buffer where the data will be place.
- **wordlen** – length of the word to be read.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_read_szl (*ssl_id: int, index: int, s7_szl: snap7.types.S7SZL, size*) → int
Reads a partial list of given ID and Index.

Parameters

- **ssl_id** – TODO
- **index** – TODO
- **s7_szl** – TODO
- **size** – TODO

Returns Snap7 code.

as_read_szl_list (*szl_list, items_count*) → int
Reads the list of partial lists available in the CPU.

Parameters

- **szl_list** – TODO
- **items_count** – TODO

Returns Snap7 code.

as_tm_read (*start: int, amount: int, data*) → bytearray
Reads timers from a PLC.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index to start read from.
- **amount** – amount of bytes to read.
- **data** – buffer where the data will be placed.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_tm_write (*start: int, amount: int, data: bytearray*) → int
Write timers into a PLC.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index to start writing to.
- **amount** – amount of bytes to write.
- **data** – buffer to write.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_upload (*block_num: int, _buffer, size*) → int
Uploads a block from AG.

Note: Uploads means from PLC to PC.

Parameters

- **block_num** – block number to upload.
- **_buffer** – buffer where the data will be place.
- **size** – amount of bytes to uplaod.

Returns Snap7 code.

as_write_area (*area: snap7.types.Areas, dbnumber: int, start: int, size: int, wordlen: snap7.types.WordLen, pusldata*) → int
Writes a data area into a PLC asynchronously.

Parameters

- **area** – memory area to be written.
- **dbnumber** – The DB number, only used when area=Areas.DB
- **start** – offset to start writing.
- **size** – amount of bytes to be written.
- **wordlen** – length of the word to be written.
- **pusldata** – buffer to be written.

Returns Snap7 code.

check_as_completion (*p_value*) → int
Method to check Status of an async request. Result contains if the check was successful, not the data value itself

Parameters **p_value** – Pointer where result of this check shall be written.

Returns Snap7 code. If 0 - Job is done successfully. If 1 - Job is either pending or contains s7errors

copy_ram_to_rom (*timeout: int = 1*) → int
Performs the Copy Ram to Rom action.

Parameters **timeout** – timeout time.

Returns Snap7 code.

create ()
Creates a SNAP7 client.

ct_read (*start: int, amount: int*) → bytearray
Reads counters from a PLC.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index to start read from.
- **amount** – amount of bytes to read.

Returns Buffer read.

ct_write (*start: int, amount: int, data: bytearray*) → int
Write counters into a PLC.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index to start write to.
- **amount** – amount of bytes to write.
- **data** – buffer data to write.

Returns Snap7 code.

db_fill (*db_number: int, filler: int*) → int
Fills a DB in AG with a given byte.

Parameters

- **db_number** – db number to fill.
- **filler** – value filler.

Returns Snap7 code.

db_get (*db_number: int*) → bytearray
Uploads a DB from AG using DBRead.

Note: This method can't be use for 1200/1500 PLCs.

Parameters **db_number** – db number to be read from.

Returns Buffer with the data read.

Example

```
>>> import snap7
>>> client = snap7.client.Client()
>>> client.connect("192.168.0.1", 0, 0)
>>> buffer = client.db_get(1) # reads the db number 1.
>>> buffer
bytearray(b"\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00...<truncated>\x00\x00")
```

db_read (*db_number: int, start: int, size: int*) → bytearray
Reads a part of a DB from a PLC

Note: Use it only for reading DBs, not Marks, Inputs, Outputs.

Parameters

- **db_number** – number of the DB to be read.
- **start** – byte index from where is start to read from.
- **size** – amount of bytes to be read.

Returns Buffer read.

Example

```
>>> import snap7
>>> client = snap7.client.Client()
>>> client.connect("192.168.0.1", 0, 0)
>>> buffer = client.db_read(1, 10, 4) # reads the db number 1 starting from
↳ the byte 10 until byte 14.
>>> buffer
bytearray(b'\x00\x00')
```

delete (*block_type: str, block_num: int*) → int
Delete a block into AG.

Parameters

- **block_type** – type of block.
- **block_num** – block number.

Returns Error code from snap7 library.

destroy () → Optional[int]
Destroys the Client object.

Returns Error code from snap7 library.

Examples

```
>>> client.destroy()  
640719840
```

eb_read (*start: int, size: int*) → bytearray
Reads a part of IPI area from a PLC.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index to start read from.
- **size** – amount of bytes to read.

Returns Data read.

eb_write (*start: int, size: int, data: bytearray*) → int
Writes a part of IPI area into a PLC.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index to be written.
- **size** – amount of bytes to write.
- **data** – data to write.

Returns Snap7 code.

error_text (*error: int*) → str
Returns a textual explanation of a given error number.

Parameters **error** – error number.

Returns Text error.

full_upload (*_type: str, block_num: int*) → Tuple[bytearray, int]
Uploads a block from AG with Header and Footer infos. The whole block (including header and footer) is copied into the user buffer.

Parameters

- **_type** – type of block.
- **block_num** – number of block.

Returns Tuple of the buffer and size.

get_block_info (*blocktype: str, db_number: int*) → snap7.types.TS7BlockInfo
Returns detailed information about a block present in AG.

Parameters

- **blocktype** – specified block type.
- **db_number** – number of db to get information from.

Returns Structure of information from block.

Raises `ValueError` – if the *blocktype* is not valid.

Examples

```
>>> block_info = client.get_block_info("DB", 1)
>>> print(block_info)
Block type: 10
Block number: 1
Block language: 5
Block flags: 1
MC7Size: 100
Load memory size: 192
Local data: 0
SBB Length: 20
Checksum: 0
Version: 1
Code date: b'1999/11/17'
Interface date: b'1999/11/17'
Author: b''
Family: b''
Header: b''
```

get_connected() → bool
Returns the connection status

Note: Sometimes returns True, while connection is lost.

Returns True if is connected, otherwise false.

get_cp_info() → `snap7.types.S7CpInfo`
Returns some information about the CP (communication processor).

Returns Structure object containing the CP information.

get_cpu_info() → `snap7.types.S7CpuInfo`
Returns some information about the AG.

Returns data structure with the information.

Return type `S7CpuInfo`

Examples

```
>>> cpu_info = client.get_cpu_info()
>>> print(cpu_info)
"<S7CpuInfo ModuleTypeName: b'CPU 315-2 PN/DP'
  SerialNumber: b'S C-C2UR28922012'"
```

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```
ASName: b'SNAP7-SERVER' Copyright: b'Original Siemens Equipment'
ModuleName: b'CPU 315-2 PN/DP'>
```

get_cpu_state() → str

Returns the CPU status (running/stopped)

Returns Description of the cpu state.

Raises ValueError – if the cpu state is invalid.

Examples

```
>>> client.get_cpu_statE()
'S7CpuStatusRun'
```

get_exec_time() → int

Returns the last job execution time in milliseconds.

Returns Execution time value.

get_last_error() → int

Returns the last job result.

Returns Returns the last error value.

get_order_code() → snap7.types.S7OrderCode

Returns the CPU order code.

Returns Order of the code in a structure object.

get_param(number: int) → int

Reads an internal Server parameter.

Parameters **number** – number of argument to be read.

Returns Value of the param read.

get_pdu_length() → int

Returns info about the PDU length (requested and negotiated).

Returns PDU length.

Examples

```
>>> client.get_pdu_length()
480
```

get_pg_block_info(block: bytearray) → snap7.types.TS7BlockInfo

Returns detailed information about a block loaded in memory.

Parameters **block** – buffer where the data will be place.

Returns Structure object that contains the block information.

get_plc_datetime() → datetime.datetime

Returns the PLC date/time.

Returns Date and time as datetime

Examples

```
>>> client.get_plc_datetime()
datetime.datetime(2021, 4, 6, 12, 12, 36)
```

get_protection() → snap7.types.S7Protection

Gets the CPU protection level info.

Returns Structure object with protection attributes.

iso_exchange_buffer(*data: bytearray*) → bytearray

Exchanges a given S7 PDU (protocol data unit) with the CPU.

Parameters **data** – buffer to exchange.

Returns Snap7 code.

list_blocks() → snap7.types.BlocksList

Returns the AG blocks amount divided by type.

Returns Block list structure object.

Examples

```
>>> block_list = client.list_blocks()
>>> print(block_list)
<block list count OB: 0 FB: 0 FC: 0 SFB: 0 SFC: 0x0 DB: 1 SDB: 0>
```

list_blocks_of_type(*blocktype: str, size: int*) → Union[int, _ctypes.Array]

This function returns the AG list of a specified block type.

Parameters

- **blocktype** – specified block type.
- **size** – size of the block type.

Returns If size is 0, it returns a 0, otherwise an *Array* of specified block type.

Raises *ValueError* – if the *blocktype* is not valid.

mb_read(*start: int, size: int*) → bytearray

Reads a part of Merkers area from a PLC.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index to be read from.
- **size** – amount of bytes to read.

Returns Buffer with the data read.

mb_write(*start: int, size: int, data: bytearray*) → int

Writes a part of Merkers area into a PLC.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index to be written.
- **size** – amount of bytes to write.
- **data** – buffer to write.

Returns Snap7 code.

plc_cold_start () → int

Puts the CPU in RUN mode performing a COLD START.

Returns Error code from snap7 library.

plc_hot_start () → int

Puts the CPU in RUN mode performing an HOT START.

Returns Error code from snap7 library.

plc_stop () → int

Puts the CPU in STOP mode

Returns Error code from snap7 library.

read_area (area: snap7.types.Areas, dbnumber: int, start: int, size: int) → bytearray

Reads a data area from a PLC With it you can read DB, Inputs, Outputs, Merkers, Timers and Counters.

Parameters

- **area** – area to be read from.
- **dbnumber** – number of the db to be read from. In case of Inputs, Marks or Outputs, this should be equal to 0.
- **start** – byte index to start reading.
- **size** – number of bytes to read.

Returns Buffer with the data read.

Raises ValueError – if the area is not defined in the *Areas*

Example

```
>>> import snap7
>>> client = snap7.client.Client()
>>> client.connect("192.168.0.1", 0, 0)
>>> buffer = client.read_area(Areas.DB, 1, 10, 4) # Reads the DB number 1,
↳ from the byte 10 to the byte 14.
>>> buffer
bytearray(b'\x00\x00')
```

read_multi_vars (items) → Tuple[int, snap7.types.S7DataItem]

Reads different kind of variables from a PLC simultaneously.

Parameters **items** – list of items to be read.

Returns Tuple with the return code from the snap7 library and the list of items.

read_szl (ssl_id: int, index: int = 0) → snap7.types.S7SZL

Reads a partial list of given ID and Index.

Parameters

- **ssl_id** – ssl id to be read.
- **index** – index to be read.

Returns SZL structure object.

read_szl_list () → bytearray

Reads the list of partial lists available in the CPU.

Returns Buffer read.

set_connection_params (*address: str, local_tsap: int, remote_tsap: int*) → None
Sets internally (IP, LocalTSAP, RemoteTSAP) Coordinates.

Note: This function must be called just before *Cli_Connect()*.

Parameters

- **address** – PLC/Equipment IPV4 Address, for example “192.168.1.12”
- **local_tsap** – Local TSAP (PC TSAP)
- **remote_tsap** – Remote TSAP (PLC TSAP)

Raises

- `ValueError` – if the *address* is not a valid IPV4.
- `ValueError` – if the result of setting the connection params is different than 0.

set_connection_type (*connection_type: int*)
Sets the connection resource type, i.e the way in which the Clients connects to a PLC.

Parameters **connection_type** – 1 for PG, 2 for OP, 3 to 10 for S7 Basic

Raises `ValueError` – if the result of setting the connection type is different than 0.

set_plc_system_datetime () → int
Sets the PLC date/time with the host (PC) date/time.

Returns Snap7 code.

tm_read (*start: int, amount: int*) → bytearray
Reads timers from a PLC.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index from where is start to read from.
- **amount** – amount of byte to be read.

Returns Buffer read.

tm_write (*start: int, amount: int, data: bytearray*) → int
Write timers into a PLC.

Parameters

- **start** – byte index from where is start to write to.
- **amount** – amount of byte to be written.
- **data** – data to be write.

Returns Snap7 code.

upload (*block_num: int*) → bytearray
Uploads a block from AG.

Note: Upload means from the PLC to the PC.

Parameters `block_num` – block to be upload.

Returns Buffer with the uploaded block.

wait_as_completion (*timeout: int*) → int

Snap7 Cli_WaitAsCompletion representative.

Parameters `timeout` – ms to wait for async job

Returns Snap7 code.

write_multi_vars (*items: List[snap7.types.S7DataItem]*) → int

Writes different kind of variables into a PLC simultaneously.

Parameters `items` – list of items to be written.

Returns Snap7 code.

`snap7.client.error_wrap` (*func*)

Parses a s7 error code returned the decorated function.

CHAPTER 6

Server

If you just need a quick server with some default values initialised, this package provides a default implementation. To use it you first need to install some additional dependencies, using:

```
pip install python-snap7[cli]
```

Now you can start it using one of the following commands:

```
python -m snap7.server
# or, if your Python `Scripts/` folder is on PATH:
snap7-server
```

You can optionally provide the port to be used as an argument, like this:

```
python -m snap7.server --port 102
```

Snap7 server used for mimicking a siemens 7 server.

class snap7.server.**Server** (log: bool = True)

A fake S7 server.

__init__ (log: bool = True)

Create a fake S7 server. set log to false if you want to disable event logging to python logging.

Parameters **log** – True for enabling the event logging. Optinoal.

create ()

Create the server.

destroy ()

Destroy the server.

event_text (event: snap7.types.SrvEvent) → str

Returns a textual explanation of a given event object

Parameters **event** – an PSrvEvent struct object

Returns The error string

get_mask (*kind: int*) → ctypes.c_uint

Reads the specified filter mask.

Parameters **kind** –

Returns Mask

get_param (*number*) → int

Reads an internal Server object parameter.

Parameters **number** – number of the parameter to be set.

Returns Value of the parameter.

get_status () → Tuple[str, str, int]

Reads the server status, the Virtual CPU status and the number of the clients connected.

Returns Server status, cpu status, client count

pick_event () → Optional[snap7.types.SrvEvent]

Extracts an event (if available) from the Events queue.

Returns Server event.

`snap7.server.error_wrap` (*func*)

Parses a s7 error code returned the decorated function.

`snap7.server.mainloop` (*tcpport: int = 1102, init_standard_values: bool = False*)

Init a fake Snap7 server with some default values.

Parameters

- **tcpport** – port that the server will listen.
- **init_standard_values** – if *True* will init some defaults values to be read on DB0.

Snap7 code for partnering with a siemens 7 server.

This allows you to create a S7 peer to peer communication. Unlike the client-server model, where the client makes a request and the server replies to it, the peer to peer model sees two components with same rights, each of them can send data asynchronously. The only difference between them is the one who is requesting the connection.

class snap7.partner.**Partner** (*active: bool = False*)

A snap7 partner.

as_b_send () → int

Sends a data packet to the partner. This function is asynchronous, i.e. it terminates immediately, a completion method is needed to know when the transfer is complete.

b_recv () → int

Receives a data packet from the partner. This function is synchronous, it waits until a packet is received or the timeout supplied expires.

b_send () → int

Sends a data packet to the partner. This function is synchronous, i.e. it terminates when the transfer job (send+ack) is complete.

check_as_b_recv_completion () → int

Checks if a packed received was received.

check_as_b_send_completion () → Tuple[str, ctypes.c_int]

Checks if the current asynchronous send job was completed and terminates immediately.

create (*active: bool = False*)

Creates a Partner and returns its handle, which is the reference that you have to use every time you refer to that Partner.

Parameters *active* – 0

Returns a pointer to the partner object

destroy ()

Destroy a Partner of given handle. Before destruction the Partner is stopped, all clients disconnected and all shared memory blocks released.

get_last_error () → ctypes.c_int

Returns the last job result.

get_param (*number*) → int

Reads an internal Partner object parameter.

get_stats () → Tuple[ctypes.c_uint, ctypes.c_uint, ctypes.c_uint, ctypes.c_uint]

Returns some statistics.

Returns a tuple containing bytes send, received, send errors, recv errors

get_status () → ctypes.c_int

Returns the Partner status.

get_times () → Tuple[ctypes.c_int, ctypes.c_int]

Returns the last send and recv jobs execution time in milliseconds.

set_recv_callback () → int

Sets the user callback that the Partner object has to call when a data packet is incoming.

set_send_callback () → int

Sets the user callback that the Partner object has to call when the asynchronous data sent is complete.

stop () → int

Stops the Partner, disconnects gracefully the remote partner.

`snap7.partner.error_wrap` (*func*)

Parses a s7 error code returned the decorated function.

class snap7.logo.**Logo**

A snap7 Siemens Logo client: There are two main comfort functions available *Logo.read()* and *Logo.write()*. This functions realize a high level access to the VM addresses of the Siemens Logo just use the form:

Notes

V10.3 for bit values V10 for the complete byte VW12 for a word (used for analog values) For more information see examples for Siemens Logo 7 and 8

__init__ ()

Creates a new instance of *Logo*

connect (*ip_address: str, tsap_snap7: int, tsap_logo: int, tcpport: int = 102*) → int

Connect to a Siemens LOGO server.

Notes

Howto setup Logo communication configuration see: <https://snap7.sourceforge.net/logo.html>

Parameters

- **ip_address** – IP ip_address of server
- **tsap_snap7** – TSAP SNAP7 Client (e.g. 10.00 = 0x1000)
- **tsap_logo** – TSAP Logo Server (e.g. 20.00 = 0x2000)

Returns Error code from snap7 library.

create ()

Create a SNAP7 client.

db_read (*db_number: int, start: int, size: int*) → bytearray

This is a lean function of *Cli_ReadArea()* to read PLC DB.

Parameters

- **db_number** – for Logo only DB=1
- **start** – start address for Logo7 0..951 / Logo8 0..1469
- **size** – in bytes

Returns Array of bytes

db_write (*db_number: int, start: int, data: bytearray*) → int
Writes to a DB object.

Parameters

- **db_number** – for Logo only DB=1
- **start** – start address for Logo7 0..951 / Logo8 0..1469
- **data** – bytearray

Returns Error code from snap7 library.

destroy () → int
Destroy a client.

Returns Error code from snap7 library.

disconnect () → int
Disconnect a client.

Returns Error code from snap7 library.

get_connected () → bool
Returns the connection status

Notes

This function has a bug, that returns *True* when the connection is lost. This comes from the original *snap7 library*.

Returns True if connected.

get_param (*number*) → int
Reads an internal Logo object parameter.

Parameters **number** – Parameter type number

Returns Parameter value

read (*vm_address: str*)
Reads from VM addresses of Siemens Logo. Examples: read("V40") / read("VW64") / read("V10.2")

Parameters **vm_address** – of Logo memory (e.g. V30.1, VW32, V24)

Returns integer

set_connection_params (*ip_address: str, tsap_snap7: int, tsap_logo: int*)
Sets internally (IP, LocalTSAP, RemoteTSAP) Coordinates.

Notes

This function must be called just before `Cli_Connect()`.

Parameters

- **ip_address** – IP ip_address of server
- **tsap_snap7** – TSAP SNAP7 Client (e.g. 10.00 = 0x1000)
- **tsap_logo** – TSAP Logo Server (e.g. 20.00 = 0x2000)

Raises

- `ValueError` – if the *ip_address* is not an IPV4.
- `ValueError` – if the snap7 error code is diferent from 0.

set_connection_type (*connection_type: int*)

Sets the connection resource type, i.e the way in which the Clients connects to a PLC.

Parameters **connection_type** – 1 for PG, 2 for OP, 3 to 10 for S7 Basic

Raises `ValueError` – if the snap7 error code is diferent from 0.

set_param (*number: int, value*)

Sets an internal Server object parameter.

Parameters

- **number** – Parameter type number
- **value** – Parameter value

Returns Error code from snap7 library.

write (*vm_address: str, value: int*) → int

Writes to VM addresses of Siemens Logo.

Parameters

- **vm_address** – write offset
- **value** – integer

Examples

```
>>> write("VW10", 200) or write("V10.3", 1)
```


CHAPTER 9

Util

This module contains utility functions for working with PLC DB objects. There are functions to work with the raw bytearray data snap7 functions return. In order to work with this data you need to make python able to work with the PLC bytearray data.

For example code see test_util.py and example.py in the example folder.

example:

```
spec/DB layout

# Byte index    Variable name  Datatype
layout="""
4              ID              INT
6              NAME            STRING[6]

12.0           testbool1       BOOL
12.1           testbool2       BOOL
12.2           testbool3       BOOL
12.3           testbool4       BOOL
12.4           testbool5       BOOL
12.5           testbool6       BOOL
12.6           testbool7       BOOL
12.7           testbool8       BOOL
13             testReal        REAL
17             testDword       DWORD
"""

client = snap7.client.Client()
client.connect('192.168.200.24', 0, 3)

# this looks confusing but this means uploading from the PLC to YOU
# so downloading in the PC world :)

all_data = client.upload(db_number)
```

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```

simple:

db1 = snap7.util.DB(
    db_number,          # the db we use
    all_data,           # bytearray from the plc
    layout,             # layout specification DB variable data
                        # A DB specification is the specification of a
                        # DB object in the PLC you can find it using
                        # the dataview option on a DB object in PCS7

    17+2,               # size of the specification 17 is start
                        # of last value
                        # which is a DWORD which is 2 bytes,

    1,                  # number of row's / specifications

    id_field='ID',      # field we can use to identify a row.
                        # default index is used
    layout_offset=4,    # sometimes specification does not start a 0
                        # like in our example
    db_offset=0         # At which point in 'all_data' should we start
                        # reading. if could be that the specification
                        # does not start at 0
)

```

Now we can use db1 in python as a dict. if 'ID' contains the 'test' we can identify the 'test' row in the all_data bytearray

To test if your layout matches the data from the plc you can just print db1[0] or db['test'] in the example

```
db1['test']['testbool1'] = 0
```

If we do not specify a id_field this should work to read out the same data.

```
db1[0]['testbool1']
```

to read and write a single Row from the plc. takes like 5ms!

```
db1['test'].write()
```

```
db1['test'].read(client)
```

```

class snap7.util.DB(db_number: int, bytearray_: bytearray, specification: str, row_size: int, size:
                    int, id_field: Optional[str] = None, db_offset: int = 0, layout_offset: int = 0,
                    row_offset: int = 0, area: snap7.types.Areas = <Areas.DB: 132>)

```

Manage a DB bytearray block given a specification of the Layout.

It is possible to have many repetitive instances of a specification this is called a “row”.

Probably most usecases there is just one row

Note: This class has some of the semantics of a dict. In particular, the membership operators (`in`, `not in`), the access operator (`[]`), as well as the `keys()` and `items()` methods work as usual. Iteration, on the other hand, happens on items instead of keys (much like `items()` method).

bytearray_
buffer data from the PLC.

specification
layout of the DB Rows.

row_size
bytes size of a db row.

layout_offset
at which byte in the row specifaion we start reading the data.

db_offset
at which byte in the db starts reading.

Examples

```
>>> db1[0]['testbool1'] = test
>>> db1.write(client)      # puts data in plc
```

__contains__ (*key*)
Return whether the given key is the index of a row in the DB.

__getitem__ (*key: str, default: None = None*) → Union[None, int, float, str, bool, datetime.datetime]
Access a row of the table through its index.

Rows (values) are of type *DB_Row*.

Notes

This method has the same semantics as `dict` access.

__init__ (*db_number: int, bytearray_: bytearray, specification: str, row_size: int, size: int, id_field: Optional[str] = None, db_offset: int = 0, layout_offset: int = 0, row_offset: int = 0, area: snap7.types.Areas = <Areas.DB: 132>*)
Creates a new instance of the *Row* class.

Parameters

- **db_number** – number of the DB to read from. This value should be 0 if `area!=Areas.DB`.
- **bytearray** – initial buffer read from the PLC.
- **specification** – layout of the PLC memory.
- **row_size** – bytes size of a db row.
- **size** – lenght of the memory area.
- **id_field** – name to reference the row. Optional.
- **db_offset** – at which byte in the db starts reading.
- **layout_offset** – at which byte in the row specifaion we start reading the data.
- **row_offset** – offset between rows.
- **area** – which memory area this row is representing.

__iter__ ()
Iterate over the items contained in the table, in the physical order they are contained in memory.

Notes

This method does not have the same semantics as `dict` iteration. Instead, it has the same semantics as the `items()` method, yielding `(index, row)` tuples.

`__len__()`

Return the number of rows contained in the DB.

Notes

If more than one row has the same index value, it is only counted once.

`export()`

Export the object to an `OrderedDict`, where each item in the dictionary has an index as the key, and the value of the DB row associated with that index as a value, represented itself as a `dict` (as returned by `DB_Row.export()`).

The outer dictionary contains the rows in the physical order they are contained in memory.

Notes

This function effectively returns a snapshot of the DB.

`items()`

Return a *view object* of the items (`(index, row)` pairs) that are used as indices for the rows in the DB.

`keys()`

Return a *view object* of the keys that are used as indices for the rows in the DB.

`make_rows()`

Make each row for the DB.

`read(client: snap7.client.Client)`

Reads all the rows from the PLC to the `bytearray` of this instance.

Parameters `client` – Client snap7 instance.

Raises `ValueError` – if the `row_size` is less than 0.

`set_data(bytearray_: bytearray)`

Set the new buffer data from the PLC to the current instance.

Parameters `bytearray` – buffer to save.

Raises `TypeError` – if `bytearray_` is not an instance of `bytearray`

`write(client)`

Writes all the rows from the `bytearray` of this instance to the PLC

Notes

When the `row_offset` property has been set to something other than `None` while constructing this object, this operation is not guaranteed to be atomic.

Parameters `client` – Client snap7 instance.

Raises `ValueError` – if the `row_size` is less than 0.

```
class snap7.util.DB_Row(bytearray_: bytearray, _specification: str, row_size: Optional[int] = 0,
                        db_offset: int = 0, layout_offset: int = 0, row_offset: Optional[int] = 0,
                        area: Optional[snap7.types.Areas] = <Areas.DB: 132>)
```

Provide ROW API for DB bytearray

bytearray_

reference to the data of the parent DB.

_specification

row specification layout.

__getitem__ (*key*)

Get a specific db field

```
__init__ (bytearray_: bytearray, _specification: str, row_size: Optional[int] = 0, db_offset: int = 0,
          layout_offset: int = 0, row_offset: Optional[int] = 0, area: Optional[snap7.types.Areas] =
          <Areas.DB: 132>)
```

Creates a new instance of the *DB_Row* class.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – reference to the data of the parent DB.
- **_specification** – row specification layout.
- **row_size** – Amount of bytes of the row.
- **db_offset** – at which byte in the db starts reading.
- **layout_offset** – at which byte in the row specifaion we start reading the data.
- **row_offset** – offset between rows.
- **area** – which memory area this row is representing.

Raises *TypeError* – if *bytearray_* is not an instance of *bytearray* or *DB*.

```
export () → Dict[str, Union[str, int, float, bool, datetime.datetime]]
```

Export dictionary with values

Returns dictionary containing the values of each value of the row.

```
get_bytearray () → bytearray
```

Gets bytearray from self or DB parent

Returns Buffer data corresponding to the row.

```
get_offset (byte_index: Union[str, int]) → int
```

Calculate correct beginning position for a row the *db_offset* = *row_size* * *index*

Parameters **byte_index** – byte index from where to start reading from.

Returns Amount of bytes to ignore.

```
get_value (byte_index: Union[str, int], type_: str) → Union[ValueError, int, float, str, date-
time.datetime]
```

Gets the value for a specific type.

Parameters

- **byte_index** – byte index from where start reading.
- **type** – type of data to read.

Raises

- `ValueError` – if reading a *string* when checking the length of the string.
- `ValueError` – if the *type_* is not handled.

Returns Value read according to the *type_*

read (*client*: *snap7.client.Client*) → None

Read current data of db row from plc.

Parameters *client* – Client snap7 instance.

Raises

- `TypeError` – if the *_bytearray* is not an instance of *DB* class.
- `ValueError` – if the *row_size* is less than 0.

set_value (*byte_index*: *Union[str, int]*, *type_*: *str*, *value*: *Union[bool, str, int, float]*) → Optional[*bytearray*]

Sets the value for a specific type in the specified byte index.

Parameters

- **byte_index** – byte index to start writing to.
- **type** – type of value to write.
- **value** – value to write.

Raises

- `ValueError` – if reading a *string* when checking the length of the string.
- `ValueError` – if the *type_* is not handled.

Returns Buffer data with the value written. Optional.

unchanged (*bytearray_*: *bytearray*) → bool

Checks if the bytearray is the same

Parameters *bytearray* – buffer of data to check.

Returns True if the current *bytearray_* is equal to the new one. Otherwise is False.

write (*client*: *snap7.client.Client*) → None

Write current data to db in plc

Parameters *client* – Client snap7 instance.

Raises

- `TypeError` – if the *_bytearray* is not an instance of *DB* class.
- `ValueError` – if the *row_size* is less than 0.

snap7.util.get_bool (*bytearray_*: *bytearray*, *byte_index*: *int*, *bool_index*: *int*) → bool

Get the boolean value from location in bytearray

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer data.
- **byte_index** – byte index to read from.
- **bool_index** – bit index to read from.

Returns True if the bit is 1, else 0.

Examples

```
>>> buffer = bytearray([0b00000001]) # Only one byte length
>>> get_bool(buffer, 0, 0) # The bit 0 starts at the right.
True
```

`snap7.util.get_byte (bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → bytes`
Get byte value from bytearray.

Notes

WORD 8bit 1bytes Decimal number unsigned B#(0) to B#(255) => 0 to 255

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to be read from.
- **byte_index** – byte index to be read.

Returns value get from the byte index.

`snap7.util.get_char (bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → str`
Get char value from bytearray.

Notes

Datatype *char* in the PLC is represented in 1 byte. It has to be in ASCII-format.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read from.
- **byte_index** – byte index to start reading from.

Returns Value read.

Examples

Read 1 Byte raw from DB1.10, where a char value is stored. Return Python compatible value. >>> data = client.db_read(db_number=1, start=10, size=1) >>> snap7.util.get_char(data, 0)

‘C’

`snap7.util.get_date_time_object (bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → datetime.datetime`
Get DATE_AND_TIME Value from bytearray as python datetime object .. rubric:: Notes

Datatype *DATE_AND_TIME* consists in 8 bytes in the PLC.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start writing.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray(8)
>>> data[:] = [32, 7, 18, 23, 50, 2, 133, 65] #date '2020-07-12 17:32:02.854'
>>> get_date_time_object(data, 0)
datetime.datetime(2020, 7, 12, 17, 32, 2, 854000)
```

snap7.util.**get_dint** (bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → int
Get dint value from bytearray.

Notes

Datatype *dint* consists in 4 bytes in the PLC. Maximum possible value is 2147483647. Lower possible value is -2147483648.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start reading.

Returns Value read.

Examples

```
>>> import struct
>>> data = bytearray(4)
>>> data[:] = struct.pack(">i", 2147483647)
>>> snap7.util.get_dint(data, 0)
2147483647
```

snap7.util.**get_dt** (bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → str
Get DATE_AND_TIME Value from bytearray as ISO 8601 formatted Date String .. rubric:: Notes

Datatype *DATE_AND_TIME* consists in 8 bytes in the PLC.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start writing.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray(8)
>>> data[:] = [32, 7, 18, 23, 50, 2, 133, 65] #'2020-07-12T17:32:02.854000'
>>> get_dt(data, 0)
'2020-07-12T17:32:02.854000'
```

snap7.util.**get_dword** (bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → int
Gets the dword from the buffer.

Notes

Datatype *dword* consists in 8 bytes in the PLC. The maximum value possible is 4294967295

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start reading.

Returns Value read.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray(8)
>>> data[:] = b"\x12\x34\xAB\xCD"
>>> snap7.util.get_dword(data, 0)
4294967295
```

`snap7.util.get_fstring(bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int, max_length: int, remove_padding: bool = True) → str`
 Parse space-padded fixed-length string from bytearray

Notes

This function supports fixed-length ASCII strings, right-padded with spaces.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer from where to get the string.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start reading.
- **max_length** – the maximum length of the string.
- **remove_padding** – whether to remove the right-padding.

Returns String value.

Examples

```
>>> data = [ord(letter) for letter in "hello world "]
>>> snap7.util.get_fstring(data, 0, 15)
'hello world'
>>> snap7.util.get_fstring(data, 0, 15, remove_padding=False)
'hello world '
```

`snap7.util.get_int(bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → int`
 Get int value from bytearray.

Notes

Datatype *int* in the PLC is represented in two bytes

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read from.
- **byte_index** – byte index to start reading from.

Returns Value read.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray([0, 255])
>>> snap7.util.get_int(data, 0)
255
```

`snap7.util.get_lint` (*bytearray_*: *bytearray*, *byte_index*: *int*)

Get the long int

THIS VALUE IS NEITHER TESTED NOR VERIFIED BY A REAL PLC AT THE MOMENT

Notes

Datatype *lint* (long int) consists in 8 bytes in the PLC. Maximum value possible is +9223372036854775807
Lowest value possible is -9223372036854775808

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read from.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start reading.

Returns Value read.

Examples

read lint value (here as example 12345) from DB1.10 of a PLC >>> data = client.db_read(db_number=1, start=10, size=8) >>> snap7.util.get_lint(data, 0)

12345

`snap7.util.get_lreal` (*bytearray_*: *bytearray*, *byte_index*: *int*) → float

Get the long real

Notes

Datatype *lreal* (long real) consists in 8 bytes in the PLC. Negative Range: -1.7976931348623158e+308 to -2.2250738585072014e-308 Positive Range: +2.2250738585072014e-308 to +1.7976931348623158e+308
Zero: ±0

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read from.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start reading.

Returns Value read.

Examples

read lreal value (here as example 12345.12345) from DB1.10 of a PLC >>> data = client.db_read(db_number=1, start=10, size=8) >>> snap7.util.get_lreal(data, 0)

12345.12345

`snap7.util.get_lword (bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → bytearray`

Get the long word

THIS VALUE IS NEITHER TESTED NOR VERIFIED BY A REAL PLC AT THE MOMENT

Notes

Datatype *lword* (long word) consists in 8 bytes in the PLC. Maximum value possible is `bytearray(b'\xFF\xFF\xFF\xFF\xFF\xFF\xFF\xFF')` Lowest value possible is `bytearray(b'\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00')`

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read from.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start reading.

Returns Value read.

Examples

```
read lword value (here as example 0xABxCD) from DB1.10 of a PLC >>> data = client.db_read(db_number=1,
start=10, size=8) >>> snap7.util.get_lword(data, 0)
```

```
bytearray(b'\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\xABxCD')
```

`snap7.util.get_real (bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → float`

Get real value.

Notes

Datatype *real* is represented in 4 bytes in the PLC. The packed representation uses the *IEEE 754 binary32*.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read from.
- **byte_index** – byte index to reading from.

Returns Real value.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray(b'B\xfa\x42')
>>> snap7.util.get_real(data, 0)
123.32099914550781
```

`snap7.util.get_sint (bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → int`

Get the small int

Notes

Datatype *sint* (Small int) consists in 1 byte in the PLC. Maximum value possible is 127. Lowest value possible is -128.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read from.

- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start reading.

Returns Value read.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray([127])
>>> snap7.util.get_sint(data, 0)
127
```

`snap7.util.get_string(bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → str`
Parse string from bytearray

Notes

The first byte of the buffer will contain the max size possible for a string. The second byte contains the length of the string that contains.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer from where to get the string.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start reading.

Returns String value.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray([254, len("hello world")] + [ord(letter) for letter in
↳ "hello world"])
>>> snap7.util.get_string(data, 0)
'hello world'
```

`snap7.util.get_time(bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → str`
Get time value from bytearray.

Notes

Datatype *time* consists in 4 bytes in the PLC. Maximum possible value is T#24D_20H_31M_23S_647MS(2147483647). Lower possible value is T#-24D_20H_31M_23S_648MS(-2147483648).

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start reading.

Returns Value read.

Examples

```
>>> import struct
>>> data = bytearray(4)
>>> data[:] = struct.pack(">i", 2147483647)
>>> snap7.util.get_time(data, 0)
'24:20:31:23:647'
```

`snap7.util.get_udint (bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → int`
Get unsigned dint value from bytearray.

Notes

Datatype *udint* consists in 4 bytes in the PLC. Maximum possible value is 4294967295. Minimum possible value is 0.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start reading.

Returns Value read.

Examples

```
>>> import struct
>>> data = bytearray(4)
>>> data[:] = struct.pack(">I", 4294967295)
>>> snap7.util.get_udint(data, 0)
4294967295
```

`snap7.util.get_uint (bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → int`
Get unsigned int value from bytearray.

Notes

Datatype *uint* in the PLC is represented in two bytes Maximum possible value is 65535. Lower possible value is 0.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read from.
- **byte_index** – byte index to start reading from.

Returns Value read.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray([255, 255])
>>> snap7.util.get_uint(data, 0)
65535
```

`snap7.util.get_ulint (bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → int`
Get ulint value from bytearray.

Notes

Datatype *int* in the PLC is represented in 8 bytes

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read from.
- **byte_index** – byte index to start reading from.

Returns Value read.

Examples

Read 8 Bytes raw from DB1.10, where an uint value is stored. Return Python compatible value. `>>> data = client.db_read(db_number=1, start=10, size=8) >>> snap7.util.get_uint(data, 0)`

12345

`snap7.util.get_usint (bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → int`
Get the unsigned small int from the bytearray

Notes

Datatype *usint* (Unsigned small int) consists on 1 byte in the PLC. Maximum possible value is 255. Lower possible value is 0.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read from.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start reading.

Returns Value read.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray([255])
>>> snap7.util.get_usint(data, 0)
255
```

`snap7.util.get_wchar (bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → Union[ValueError, str]`
Get wchar value from bytearray.

Notes

Datatype *wchar* in the PLC is represented in 2 bytes. It has to be in utf-16-be format.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read from.
- **byte_index** – byte index to start reading from.

Returns Value read.

Examples

Read 2 Bytes raw from DB1.10, where a wchar value is stored. Return Python compatible value. >>> data = client.db_read(db_number=1, start=10, size=2) >>> snap7.util.get_wchar(data, 0)

‘C’

snap7.util.get_word(bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → bytearray
Get word value from bytearray.

Notes

WORD 16bit 2bytes Decimal number unsigned B#(0,0) to B#(255,255) => 0 to 65535

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to get the word from.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where start reading from.

Returns Word value.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray([0, 100]) # two bytes for a word
>>> snap7.util.get_word(data, 0)
100
```

snap7.util.get_wstring(bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int) → str
Parse wstring from bytearray

Notes

Byte 0 and 1 contains the max size possible for a string (2 Byte value). byte 2 and 3 contains the length of the string that contains (2 Byte value). The other bytes contain WCHARs (2Byte) in utf-16-be style.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer from where to get the string.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start reading.

Returns String value.

Examples

Read from DB1.10 22, where the WSTRING is stored, the raw 22 Bytes and convert them to a python string >>> data = client.db_read(db_number=1, start=10, size=22) >>> snap7.util.get_wstring(data, 0) ‘hello world’

snap7.util.parse_specification(db_specification: str) → collections.OrderedDict

Create a db specification derived from a dataview of a db in which the byte layout is specified

Parameters **db_specification** – string formatted table with the indexes, aliases and types.

Returns Parsed DB specification.

`snap7.util.set_bool` (*bytearray_*: *bytearray*, *byte_index*: *int*, *bool_index*: *int*, *value*: *bool*)
Set boolean value on location in bytearray.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to write to.
- **byte_index** – byte index to write to.
- **bool_index** – bit index to write to.
- **value** – value to write.

Examples

```
>>> buffer = bytearray([0b00000000])
>>> set_bool(buffer, 0, 0, True)
>>> buffer
bytearray(b"\x01")
```

`snap7.util.set_byte` (*bytearray_*: *bytearray*, *byte_index*: *int*, *_int*: *int*) → *bytearray*
Set value in bytearray to byte

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to write to.
- **byte_index** – byte index to write.
- **_int** – value to write.

Returns buffer with the written value.

Examples

```
>>> buffer = bytearray([0b00000000])
>>> set_byte(buffer, 0, 255)
bytearray(b"\xFF")
```

`snap7.util.set_char` (*bytearray_*: *bytearray*, *byte_index*: *int*, *chr_*: *str*) → Union[ValueError, *bytearray*]
Set char value in a bytearray.

Notes

Datatype *char* in the PLC is represented in 1 byte. It has to be in ASCII-format

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read from.
- **byte_index** – byte index to start reading from.
- **chr** – Char to be set

Returns Value read.

Examples

Read 1 Byte raw from DB1.10, where a char value is stored. Return Python compatible value. >>> data = snap7.util.set_char(data, 0, 'C') >>> client.db_write(db_number=1, start=10, data)

```
'bytearray('0x43')
```

```
snap7.util.set_dint (bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int, dint: int)
Set value in bytearray to dint
```

Notes

Datatype *dint* consists in 4 bytes in the PLC. Maximum possible value is 2147483647. Lower possible value is -2147483648.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to write.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start writing.
- **dint** – double integer value

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray(4)
>>> snap7.util.set_dint(data, 0, 2147483647)
>>> data
bytearray(b'\x7f\xff\xff\xff')
```

```
snap7.util.set_dword (bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int, dword: int)
Set a DWORD to the buffer.
```

Notes

Datatype *dword* consists in 8 bytes in the PLC. The maximum value possible is 4294967295

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to write to.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to writing reading.
- **dword** – value to write.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray(4)
>>> snap7.util.set_dword(data, 0, 4294967295)
>>> data
bytearray(b'\xff\xff\xff\xff')
```

```
snap7.util.set_fstring (bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int, value: str, max_length: int)
Set space-padded fixed-length string value
```

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to write to.
- **byte_index** – byte index to start writing from.
- **value** – string to write.
- **max_length** – maximum string length, i.e. the fixed size of the string.

Raises

- `TypeError` – if the *value* is not a `str`.
- `ValueError` – if the length of the *value* is larger than the *max_size*
- or 'value' contains non-ascii characters.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray(20)
>>> snap7.util.set_fstring(data, 0, "hello world", 15)
>>> data
bytearray(b'hello world      ')
```

`snap7.util.set_int(bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int, _int: int)`
Set value in bytearray to int

Notes

An datatype *int* in the PLC consists of two *bytes*.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to write on.
- **byte_index** – byte index to start writing from.
- **_int** – int value to write.

Returns Buffer with the written value.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray(2)
>>> snap7.util.set_int(data, 0, 255)
bytearray(b'\x00\xff')
```

`snap7.util.set_lreal(bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int, lreal: float) → bytearray`
Set the long real

Notes

Datatype *lreal* (long real) consists in 8 bytes in the PLC. Negative Range: -1.7976931348623158e+308 to -2.2250738585072014e-308 Positive Range: +2.2250738585072014e-308 to +1.7976931348623158e+308 Zero: ± 0

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read from.

- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start reading.
- **lreal** – float value to set

Returns Value to write.

Examples

write lreal value (here as example 12345.12345) to DB1.10 of a PLC >>> data = snap7.util.set_lreal(data, 12345.12345) >>> client.db_write(db_number=1, start=10, data)

snap7.util.**set_lword**(bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int, lword: bytearray) → bytearray
Set the long word

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Notes

Datatype *lword* (long word) consists in 8 bytes in the PLC. Maximum value possible is bytearray(b"xFFxFFxFFxFFxFFxFFxFF") Lowest value possible is bytearray(b"x00x00x00x00x00x00x00x00")

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to read from.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start reading.
- **lword** – Value to write

Returns Bytearray conform value.

Examples

read lword value (here as example 0xABxCD) from DB1.10 of a PLC >>> data = snap7.util.set_lword(data, 0, bytearray(b"x00x00x00x00x00x00x00xABxCD")) bytearray(b"x00x00x00x00x00x00x00xABxCD") >>> client.db_write(db_number=1, start=10, data)

snap7.util.**set_real**(bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int, real) → bytearray
Set Real value

Notes

Datatype *real* is represented in 4 bytes in the PLC. The packed representation uses the *IEEE 754 binary32*.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to write to.
- **byte_index** – byte index to start writing from.
- **real** – value to be written.

Returns Buffer with the value written.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray(4)
>>> snap7.util.set_real(data, 0, 123.321)
bytearray(b'B\xff6\xa4Z')
```

`snap7.util.set_sint` (*bytearray_*: *bytearray*, *byte_index*: *int*, *_int*) → *bytearray*
Set small int to the buffer.

Notes

Datatype *sint* (Small int) consists in 1 byte in the PLC. Maximum value possible is 127. Lowest value possible is -128.

Parameters *bytearray* – buffer to write to.

byte_index: byte index from where to start writing. *_int*: value to write.

Returns Buffer with the written value.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray(1)
>>> snap7.util.set_sint(data, 0, 127)
bytearray(b'\x7f')
```

`snap7.util.set_string` (*bytearray_*: *bytearray*, *byte_index*: *int*, *value*: *str*, *max_size*: *int* = 255)
Set string value

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to write to.
- **byte_index** – byte index to start writing from.
- **value** – string to write.
- **max_size** – maximum possible string size, max. 255 as default.

Raises

- `TypeError` – if the *value* is not a *str*.
- `ValueError` – if the length of the *value* is larger than the *max_size*
- or ‘*max_size*’ is greater than 255 or ‘*value*’ contains non-ascii characters.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray(20)
>>> snap7.util.set_string(data, 0, "hello world", 255)
>>> data
bytearray(b'\xff\x0bhello world\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00')
```

`snap7.util.set_time` (*bytearray_*: *bytearray*, *byte_index*: *int*, *time_string*: *str*) → *bytearray*
Set value in bytearray to time

Notes

Datatype *time* consists in 4 bytes in the PLC. Maximum possible value is T#24D_20H_31M_23S_647MS(2147483647). Lower possible value is T#-24D_20H_31M_23S_648MS(-2147483648).

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to write.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start writing.
- **time_string** – time value in string

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray(4)
```

```
>>> snap7.util.set_time(data, 0, '-22:3:57:28.192')
```

```
>>> data
bytearray(b'Ú-')
```

`snap7.util.set_udint` (*bytearray_*: *bytearray*, *byte_index*: *int*, *udint*: *int*)
Set value in bytearray to unsigned dint

Notes

Datatype *dint* consists in 4 bytes in the PLC. Maximum possible value is 4294967295. Minimum possible value is 0.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to write.
- **byte_index** – byte index from where to start writing.
- **udint** – unsigned double integer value

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray(4)
>>> snap7.util.set_udint(data, 0, 4294967295)
>>> data
bytearray(b'\xff\xff\xff\xff')
```

`snap7.util.set_uint` (*bytearray_*: *bytearray*, *byte_index*: *int*, *_int*: *int*)
Set value in bytearray to unsigned int

Notes

An datatype *uint* in the PLC consists of two *bytes*.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to write on.

- **byte_index** – byte index to start writing from.
- **_int** – int value to write.

Returns Buffer with the written value.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray(2)
>>> snap7.util.set_uint(data, 0, 65535)
bytearray(b'\xff\xff')
```

`snap7.util.set_uint(bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int, _int: int) → bytearray`

Set unsigned small int

Notes

Datatype *usint* (Unsigned small int) consists on 1 byte in the PLC. Maximum possible value is 255. Lower possible value is 0.

Parameters **bytearray** – buffer to write.

byte_index: byte index from where to start writing. **_int**: value to write.

Returns Buffer with the written value.

Examples

```
>>> data = bytearray(1)
>>> snap7.util.set_usint(data, 0, 255)
bytearray(b'\xff')
```

`snap7.util.set_word(bytearray_: bytearray, byte_index: int, _int: int)`

Set value in bytearray to word

Notes

Word datatype is 2 bytes long.

Parameters

- **bytearray** – buffer to be written.
- **byte_index** – byte index to start write from.
- **_int** – value to be write.

Returns buffer with the written value

`snap7.util.utc2local(utc: Union[datetime.date, datetime.datetime]) → Union[datetime.datetime, datetime.date]`

Returns the local datetime

Parameters **utc** – UTC type date or datetime.

Returns Local datetime.

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