

MITSUBISHI (CITIZEN)

ACQUIRE MACHINE DATA

To report machine data to your applications you have to be able to acquire it from your devices. For **Citizen** machines equipped with **Mitsubishi** controllers you can use the utility programs MitsubishiGui.exe (GUI) or Mitsubishi.exe (Command line) to do so. The program should also work for **Mazak** machines that have Mitsubishi controllers. All programs use the <u>most recent</u> version of Mitsubishi's M700/70 API (Application Program Interface) functions to access the controller and query data.

Although this technique works flawlessly and reliable in production we'd appreciate to get <u>your feedback</u> about the results of testing with your machines, please send an email to <u>support@inventcom.net</u> thank you in advance!

Tip: To be able to verify the results it is recommended to use this utility on a laptop with a network connection at the shop-floor in front of the machine.

SETUP

- Extract all contents of Mitsubishi_citizen.zip to a folder on your Laptop.
- As the program identifies and accesses controllers by using machine numbers the first thing you have to do is to edit the configuration file melcfg.ini.
- Machine numbers are defined in sections, one for each device. The machine number is the numeric part after Machine, e.g. [Machine01] = 1. Note: The second part of this numeric value uses hexadecimal notation from 1 to F, e.g. 01 = 1 and 0F = 15, remember your math lessons.
- If you're testing with <u>one</u> machine it is recommended to leave section [Machine01] as it is.
 Only in case it doesn't work you can change the value for Controller from M8NX to NCXJ, NCXK, M6B, NX or M7NX.
- It is necessary to adjust section [HOSTS] according to your setup e.g.
 TCP1=192.168.100.1,683 means that the IP Address of your controller is 192.168.100.1
 683 after the comma is the port to be used to access the controller, do not change that.
- For additional machines you have to copy and paste the whole section [Machine01], then change its name e.g. [Machine02] and Device= to a different device in section [HOSTS] e.g. Device=TCP2. In section [HOSTS] you have to add a new device e.g. TCP2=192.168.100.2,683.
- Save melcfg.ini.

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USAGE

- In Windows Explorer double click MitsubishiGui.exe
- In field 'Mitsubishi Machine Number' enter the number as defined in melcfg.ini.
- Check 'Basic Test Only'.
- Click on button 'Query'.
- If you don't get an error, repeat the test with 'Basic Test Only' unchecked.
- You should see a result similar to the following:

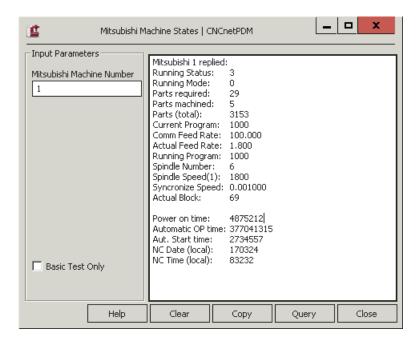


FIG 1: Output of MitsubishiGui.exe (full test)

LICENSING

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If you have installed CNCnetPDM on your PC with a license other than a 'free license' and run this program from the folder where CNCnetPDM is installed you get <u>unlimited</u> output. Otherwise the program outputs a <u>restricted set</u> of items. Please see <u>licensing</u> for details or <u>contact us</u> if you have any questions.

• Note: If you like to run this program from a different location on your PC you can simply copy your CNCnetPDM.ini file to this directory.



PROGRAM OUTPUT

MitsubishiGui.exe version outputs the following data:

- Running Status (= Basic Test)
- Running Mode
- Parts required
- Parts machined
- Parts (total)
- Current Program
- Comm Feed Rate
- Actual Feed Rate
- Running Program
- Spindle Number
- Spindle Speed(1)
- Syncronize Speed
- Actual Block
- Power on time
- Automatic OP time
- Aut. Start time
- NC Date (local)
- NC Time (local)

STATUS AND MODE OUTPUT

The following tables shows possible values for 'Running Status' and 'Running Mode':

Status	
0	NC Reset
1	Emergency
2	Ready
3	In Automatic running
4	With Synchronization
5	Cross Waiting
6	Stop



7	Hold

Mode	
0	Memory Mode
99	Tape Mode
5	MDI Mode
3	Handle Mode
2	Jog Mode
1	Manual Feed mode
7	A*Q.01 Step Mode
6	A*Q.01 Rapid Feed Mode
9	A*Q.01 Auto Dog less Zero Return Mode
8	A*Q.01 Zero Return Mode



CONTROLLERS

All programs are tested and work with Citizen machines with the following controllers, others may work as well:

Controller	Mitsubishi Series
MELDAS FCA70LPC-2A	M70
MELDAS M635L	M635
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MELDAS FCA70LPC-2AV	M70
MELDAS FCA70LPC-2AVU	M70
M735LUC	M700
MELDAS FCA70LPC-2AVU	M70
MELDAS FCA70LPC-2AV	M70
M500	M500
MELDAS FCA730LPC-4VS	M730