Dear MIL-1553-TD Engineer and User

The MIL-1553 Trigger and Decode Option are available on LeCroy Oscilloscopes. This Feedback and Satisfaction Survey is aimed at those actively using it, and from whom we would like to gather first hand impressions. The goal of this questionnaire is to gather solid information, guiding us for further developments of the firmware. We thank you in advance for your time. The document is structured by dialogs, table and annotations. Feel free to skip entire sections when you are not using them at all.

1 Decode Dialog

		Transfer Limits Response Time	Close Newing Mode Nex From To 12.0 µs inimum .0 µs	
1	In the above Dialog, there are		e Mode": "Word" and "T	r ansfer" . Can you
	approximately rate your usage	ge of both modes?		
		Word Mode	Transfer Mode	
		%	%	
2	Could you explain in which ca a) I prefer the "Word Mode" b) I prefer the "Transfer Mode	for the following type o le " . for the following ty	f work: pe of work:	"Hovedosimel" Convou
2	In the above Dialog, there are roughly rate your usage of bo			-
		Binary viewing	Hexadecimal Viewing	
		%	%	
3	Are there other rendering m you describe them briefly?	odes then the above on	es that would be useful to	your work? If yes, could
4	In the above dialog, the " Lim Table are expressed in red, ir			

2 Level Dialog

		Absolute 350	. The default	
5	-		"Level Type": "Absolute"	and "Percent". Can
	you approximately rate	e your usage of both mod		
		Level Type Absolute	Level Type Percent	
		%	%	
6	a)I prefer the "Absolut	e level" for the following	se or the other Level Type type of work or in the fo type of work or in the fo	llowing situation:
7	Are there other level co	ontrols you would find us	seful?	

3 Search Dialog

		Searcha	able colu	mns for N	VIL 1553	
	Search Close	MIL1553	Time	Msg	Tran	Туре
	Prev Search Options Next Column	Summary	Sync	RTAddress	t/r	SubAddress
	Parity Use	Count	ModeCode	Parity	ResponseTime	RTAdressAck
		MsgErr	Instr	SRQ	Reserved	BcastRec
	Busy	SubSystFig	DynBusAcc	TermFlg	Data	
		IMG	Status	Attributes		
9	Do you find the buttons useful	2				
10	Do you find the buttons useful					
11	Do you find the buttons usef	ul?				
12	Are there other search features that you wo	uld welco	ome?			

4 Table Export, Column Picker

	View Columns					
	l vr linstr v Data V Time SubAddress SR0 V IMG					
	Msg ■ Count ▼ Status					
	Tran 🔲 ModeCode 🔳 BcasiRec 🔲 Attributes					
	Type Parity Busy					
	Summary 📝 ResponseTi 🔲 SubSystFig					
	Sync RTAdressAck DynBusAcc					
	RTAddress MsgErr TermFig					
	BIRate Toterance 1.00 %					
	Default Close					
13	The above person dialog late you choose the columns shown by the Decode Table, in order to					
15	The above popup dialog lets you choose the columns shown by the Decode Table, in order to					
	minimize the clutter on screen.					
	Which columns do you usually remove?					
	Which columns do you usually keep visible?					
14	Are the column names and abbreviations easy to understand for you? Are there names that					
	you would suggest to change for better understanding?					
15	In your work, do you use the Table Exporter (into CSV files)?					
16	Since the column visible are also those exported, the same picker is used to drive the export.					
	When exporting the table, do you usually use the same column set as viewed on the screen?					
17	If you use the Export Table feature, what do you do with data?					
18	Are there other features of the Table Viewer and Exporter that would help you do your work?					

5 Decoding Algorithm

19	Does the Decoder always behave as expected?
20	Did you encounter any difficulties to get the first decodes traces on screen?
21	How long did it take you to get the first decoded trace on screen when you started using the tool?

22	When decoding, are the default thresholds (+- 350 mV) appropriate, or did they have to change them? If yes to which levels?
23	Do you sometimes decode several protocols at the same time?
24	Do you have unconnected Remote Terminals (RTs) on the bus?
25	Do you use the RT to RT Transfer mode, if yes is all the content correctly decoded?
26	Are there additional Decoding features that you would recommend to implement?

6 Trigger Dialogs, Transfer Mode

	Trigg	ger MIL1553			ſ	TxCmd1	TxStat1			Close	•	
	Three 205 Three	DATA C1 shold High 6.0 mV sshold Low mV	ransfer Word		Setup Format Binary Hex	RT Addres Con Equi Value XX To 1F	dition	Control Contro	dition <u>f Rang</u> Dyr	Count/Mode Code Condition Greater than or ModeCode namic Control		
27	Have you	used this	trigger m	ode?								
28	Do you fii	nd the dyı	namic tab	s on the r	ight easy	to use	?					
29	If you use	this mod	e, are the	re unimp	lemented	featur	es th	at would	d help you	ı?		
30	If you use	this mod	e, can you	ı check th	ne Transfe	r types	s you	use?				
	BC-RT	RT-BC	RT-RT	MC	MC+D ata Xmit	MC+ ata Rcv	E	BC-RT Broadc Ast	RT-RT Broadc ast	MC Broadc ast	MC+D ata Broadc ast	

7 Trigger Dialogs, Word Mode

	Source Setup Type Sub-Type Setup	mmand Close
	Transfer All Threshold High 205.0 mV Threshold Low 0.0 mV Timing Status	
31	Have you used this trigger mode?	
32	Is the Command Word definition Dialog on the r	ight clear to you?
33	Were you able to catch the events that you were	e looking for?
34	If you use this mode, which ones of the 3 Word	types do you use?

			Command	Data	Status	
~ ,	35	Is there a functionality that	you are missi	ng and would	l appreciate t	o see implemented?

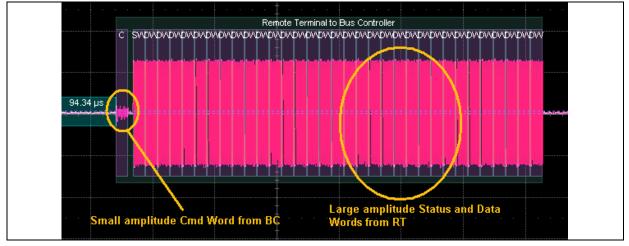
8 Trigger Dialogs, Error Mode

Trigger MIL1553	Errors
Source Setup Type Sub-Type	Word Level Errors Transfer Level Errors
C1 Transfer	Invalid Sync 🛛 🛃 Bad Word Count
205.0 mV Word	Manchester Error Address Mismatch all Errors
Threshold Low Error	Idle Error Idle Error Non Contig. Data Deselect
Timing	Parity Error Sync Error
Have you used this trigger mode ?	
Are the different error colections on the righ	t clear to you?
Are the different error selections on the righ	clear to you?
Were you able to catch the events that you w	vere looking for?
In the course of doing your work, are there for	atures that you would have liked?
	Source Setup DATA C1 Threshold High 205.0 mV Threshold Low 0.0 mV Timing

9 Trigger Dialogs, Timing Mode

	Trigger ML1553 Source Setup DATA C1 Threshold High 205.0 mV Threshold Low 0.0 mV	Response Time Close Response Time Setup Response Time Condition Less than Response Time value from 4.000 µs Response Time value to 12.000 µs				
40	Have you used this trigger mode?					
41	Is this dialog clear to you?					
42	Were you able to catch the events that you were looking for?					
43	Are there feature that would make your effo	rts more productive?				

10 Decoding and Triggering with Amplitude Differences



44	As shown in image above, Mil 1553 signals can exhibit large amplitude differences between the signals generated by the RT and the BC.
45	Are you often faced with this situation?
46	When observing such signals, have you always been able to decode and trigger?
47	What method(s) did you apply to decode in spite of the amplitude difference? (i.e. adjust levels, shorten record, apply filters on the channel, use Word Decode instead of Transfer Decode)?
48	Do you think that this particular aspect should be improved?

11 Relative Usage of Table and Annotation

M1		On Trace	Annotation		
MIL 1:	553 Time Type Summ 9 9.627 ms BC-RT (Rcv) RT 13 10 9.957 ms Cmd RT 16 11 10.27 ms BC-RT(S) B'cast 12 11.22 ms RT-RT(S) B'cast	nary Decode Ta Ifrom RT 1: 10 DW	able 0 13 1 0 1 31 2 1 0 30 0 0	sp RT M In S R B B S	
49	As shown above, the Decode Table and the On Trace Annotations convey the results of the decoding to the user. First indications indicate that users have many different ways of using both renderings. How would you rate your usage of both features				
	-	Use of Table %	Use of Annotations %		
50	Can you tell us how you usually combine both tools (Table and Annotation) usage?				
51	Do you think that the number of lines of the table (1 to 20) is sufficient ?				
52	Do you use the ability to click on a line of the Table to open the zoom on that Transfer?				
53	Do you use the ability to select a portion of the decode trace to position the decoded zoom?				
54	Are there features related like to suggest?	to the Zoom and Ta	ble that could help you	r work that you would	

12 User Profile Questions.

In order to better serve the MIL-STD-1553 community, LeCroy and Lahniss would like to gather some user information profile.

55) Approximately how many hours have you been using the LeCroy/Lahniss MIL-STD-1553 Trigger & Decode System (TD)?

< 5	5-20	20-50	> 50
hours	hours	hours	hours

56) Approximately how many years have you been involved with the MIL-STD-1553 Serial Bus?

< 1	1-5	5-10	> 10
years	years	years	years

57) How well do you know the MIL-STD-1553B (21 September 1978) specification?

Not at all	Some	Well	Expert

58) How well do you know the DDC "MIL-STD-1553 DESIGNER'S GUIDE" ?

Not at all	Some	Well	Expert

59) In which Life Cycle phase have you used MIL-STD-1553 over the years?

Life cycle	System	Sensor	Actuator	Integrated Circuit
phase	level	level	level	level
Design				
Implementation				
Debug				
Maintenance				

60) In which application have you used MIL-STD-1553 over the years?

	Military	Civilian
Space born		
Airborne		
Ground systems		
Underground		
Underwater		

61) Have you used the 1773 protocol?

62) Have you used 1553 at speed other then 1 Mb/s? if yes at which speed?

63) Can we contact you if we have further questions?

Thanks in advance for your help.