

Reference Guide for Ultr@ VNC version 1.0.0

Ultr@ VNC is a computer program in the physics lab rooms that gives you the power to observe student computer screens and control a student's computer remotely via your keyboard and mouse. It is particularly useful for giving instructions about a program or displaying students' lab data.

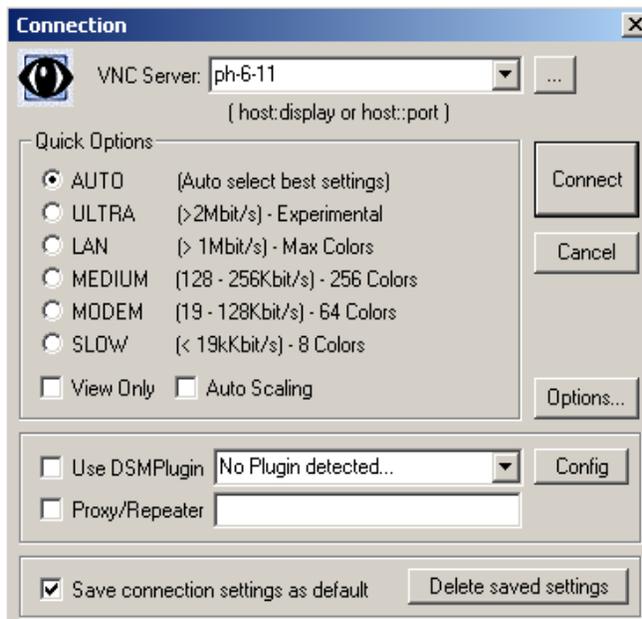


To access Ultr@ VNC, log in to a lab computer with a TA username and password (most likely your physics department ID). If you would potentially like to broadcast a screen using the digital projector, log in to the instructor computer located near the printer. (Refer to the Digital Projector Reference for more information.) Access the program from the Start menu, Programs folder, UltraVNC, and UltraVNC Viewer. Refer to Figure 1.

You can also access the program from My Computer:
C:\Program Files\UltraVNC\UltraVNC Viewer

Fig. 1

The following pop-up window should appear, requesting the name of the display host:



In the *VNC Server* drop-down field, type the number of the student's computer that you want to observe. The numbers are printed on each computer and should be in the format *ph-#-###*.

If you want to change connection options, click the *Options* button. Another pop-up window will appear (Figure 3). *Auto select best settings* is the default. From this window you can change *Mouse Cursor* options and select *Display* options.

Click *Connect* to begin viewing the selected Desktop. An Authentication pop-up window will appear, requesting you to enter a username and password. Type in "vnc" and "labvnc". Click *Log On*.

Fig. 2

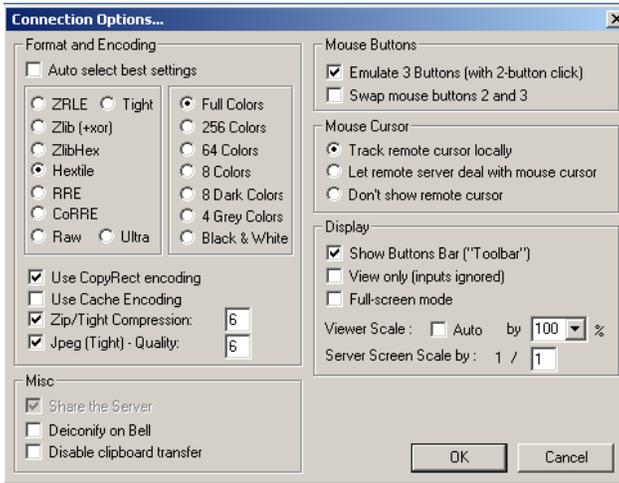


Fig. 3: Connection Options

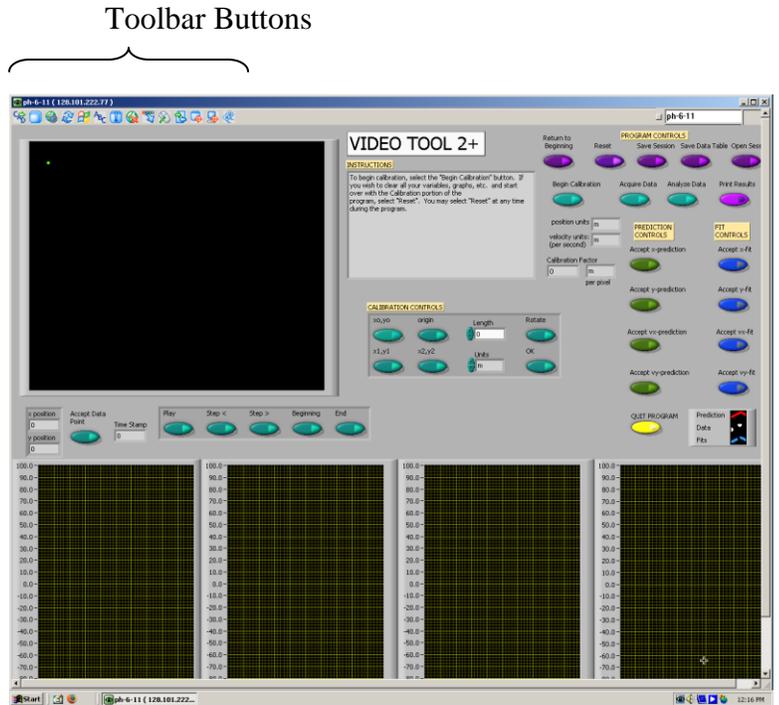


Fig. 4: Sample view of a student screen

Refer to Figure 4 for a sample view of a student screen. You can resize the window of the student screen using the arrows in the bottom right corner.

Use the toolbar buttons to navigate Ultr@VNC, as seen in Figure 5. Most buttons are self-explanatory, but selected descriptions are given on the next page.

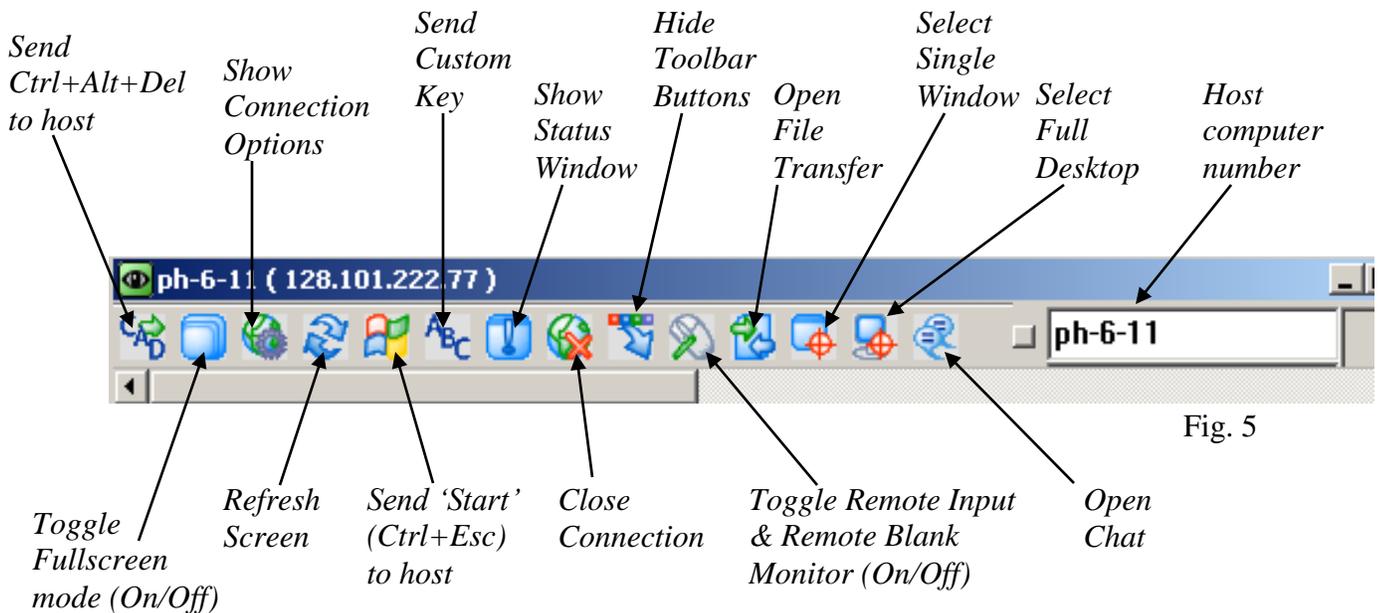
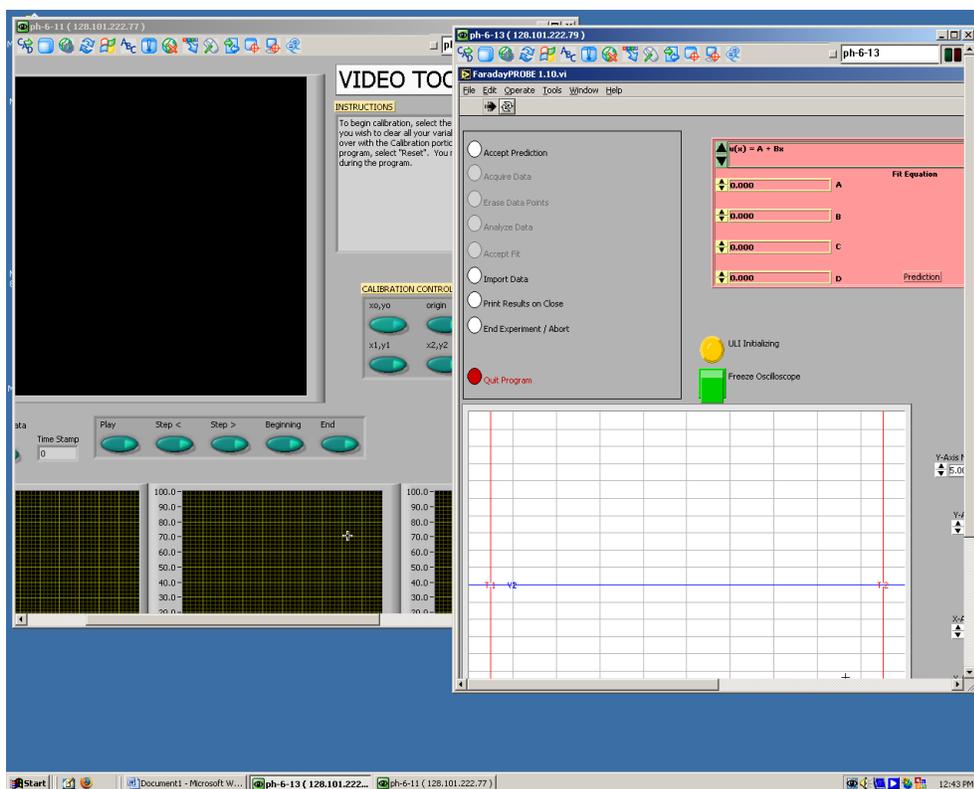


Fig. 5

Selected Descriptions for Toolbar Buttons:

- **Send Ctrl+Alt+Del to host** will bring up the physics logout window on the student's computer.
- **Send 'Start' (Ctrl+Esc) to host** will depress the start button on the student's computer, giving you the power to access programs, etc. from the host computer.
- **Show Connection Options** will display the same pop-up window that is available from the **Options** button of the initial **Connection** window (Figure 3).
 - There are three options for the **Mouse Cursor**: Track remote cursor locally, Let remote server deal with mouse cursor, and Don't show remote cursor.
 - The first two options appear to be a shared-control option between the student and instructor computers, with slight differences between what is seen on each screen.
- **Toggle Remote Input & Remote Blank Monitor (On/Off)** gives total control to the instructor by disabling the student's computer mouse.
- **Select Single Window** gives you the option to select and view one window that is open on a student's screen, providing multiple windows are opened at the same time. When this toolbar button is depressed, a crosshair appears and you can use this to click on the window to be viewed. Any remaining windows are "blacked out". To return to the fullscreen view, click the **Select Full Desktop** toolbar button.



It is possible to display multiple student screens on an instructor desktop, but you must reopen the Ultr@ VNC program each time and resize the windows (or only view one screen at a time).

Fig. 6

To exit Ultr@ VNC, click **Close Connection**.

For more information, the software developers' website is:

<http://www.ultravnc.com/>

Digital Projector Reference:

Every lab room has a Panasonic® projector fixed to the ceiling with connections to a wall unit. This is useful to project documents or programs onto a pull-down screen for easy viewing by the entire class.

To project the instructor computer, log in using either a student ID and password or a TA username and password. This computer should have a serial cable connected from *Input 1* of the monitor to *Local Monitor* of the black Output box, and another cable from *Data Display* of the black Output box to *Computer* of the silver wall unit.

Turn on the Panasonic® projector by depressing the large *Power* button. You might need to use a meter stick to reach it. If the computer screen does not immediately display, cycle through the input by pressing the *RGB* button. Most will display on *RGB 1*. Turn off the projector by pressing *Power* twice.

