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ByteStream	<i>Internal helper class for dealing with byte sequences</i>
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## Description

Internal helper class for dealing with byte sequences

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## Public fields

vec vector of bytes

idx current index within self\$vec Initialise

## Methods

### Public methods:

- [ByteStream\\$new\(\)](#)
- [ByteStream\\$advance\(\)](#)
- [ByteStream\\$consume\(\)](#)
- [ByteStream\\$consume\\_len2\(\)](#)

- `ByteStream$consume_len4()`
- `ByteStream$eos()`
- `ByteStream$clone()`

**Method** `new()`:

*Usage:*

`ByteStream$new(vec)`

*Arguments:*

`vec` vector of bytes. will be cast to integer Advance the index pointer without returning the value

**Method** `advance()`:

*Usage:*

`ByteStream$advance(i)`

*Arguments:*

`i` number of bytes to advance Consume bytes and return the values

**Method** `consume()`:

*Usage:*

`ByteStream$consume(n)`

*Arguments:*

`n` number of bytes to consume

**Method** `consume_len2()`: Consume 2 bytes and interpret as a little-endian integer

*Usage:*

`ByteStream$consume_len2()`

**Method** `consume_len4()`: Consume 4 bytes and interpret as a little-endian integer

*Usage:*

`ByteStream$consume_len4()`

**Method** `eos()`: Have we reached/exceeded the length of the bytestream

*Usage:*

`ByteStream$eos()`

**Method** `clone()`: The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

`ByteStream$clone(deep = FALSE)`

*Arguments:*

`deep` Whether to make a deep clone.

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machine	<i>c64 machine constants</i>
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**Description**

c64 machine constants

**Usage**

machine

**Format**

An object of class list of length 4.

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req	<i>Named list functions to generate raw byte vectors to be sent to VICE</i>
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**Description**

Functions indexed by both their command code (e.g. "0x31") and by their description (e.g. "registers\_get")

**Usage**

req

**Format**

An object of class list of length 0.

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req_advance_instructions	<i>Step over a certain number of instructions.</i>
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**Description**

Step over a certain number of instructions.

**Usage**

req\_advance\_instructions(n, sub1 = TRUE)

**Arguments**

- n                    number of instructions to jump over
- sub1                Should subroutines count as a single instruction?

**Value**

empty response

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req\_autostart            *Load a program then return to the monitor*

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**Description**

Load a program then return to the monitor

**Usage**

req\_autostart(filename, file\_idx, run\_after\_load = TRUE)

**Arguments**

- filename            Name of file
- file\_idx            If given a disk image, the index of the file to execute. Default: 0.
- run\_after\_load    logical. Default: TRUE

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req\_banks\_available    *Gives a listing of all the bank IDs for the running machine with their names.*

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**Description**

Gives a listing of all the bank IDs for the running machine with their names.

**Usage**

req\_banks\_available()

**Value**

named list of bank IDs

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req\_checkpoint\_delete *Deletes any type of checkpoint. (break, watch, trace)*

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### Description

Deletes any type of checkpoint. (break, watch, trace)

### Usage

req\_checkpoint\_delete(checkpoint)

### Arguments

checkpoint      number 32bit int.

### Value

empty response

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req\_checkpoint\_get      *Gets any type of checkpoint. (break, watch, trace)*

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### Description

Gets any type of checkpoint. (break, watch, trace)

### Usage

req\_checkpoint\_get(checkpoint)

### Arguments

checkpoint      number 32bit int.

### Value

a named list

**checkpoint** Checkpoint number

**hit** Currently hit? logical

**start** Start address

**end** End address

**stop\_when\_hit** Stop when hit? Logical.

**enabled** Logical.

**cpu\_op** CPU operatio: 1 = Load, 2 = Store, 4 = Exec

**temporary** Deletes the checkpoint after it has been hit once. This is similar to "until" command, but it will not resume the emulator.

**hit\_count** Number of hits

**ignore\_count** Ignore count

**has\_condition** Has condition? Logical.

**mem\_space** Memory space.

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req\_checkpoint\_list     *List of checkpoints*

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### Description

List of checkpoints

### Usage

```
req_checkpoint_list()
```

### Value

causes VICE to emit a series of responses (as would be returned by a sequence of req\_checkpoint\_get()) followed by the actual response body which is just a count of the total number of checkpoints

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req\_checkpoint\_set     *Sets any type of checkpoint.*

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### Description

This combines the functionality of several textual commands (break, watch, # trace) into one, as they are all the same with only minor variations. To set conditions, see section 13.4.8 Condition set (0x22) after executing this one.

### Usage

```
req_checkpoint_set(
    start,
    end,
    stop_when_hit = TRUE,
    enabled = TRUE,
    cpu_op = 1,
    temporary = TRUE,
    mem_space = machine$mem_space$main
)
```

**Arguments**

start	start address
end	end address
stop_when_hit	logical. Default: TRUE
enabled	logical. default: TRUE
cpu_op	1 = load. 2 = store. 4 = exec. default: 1
temporary	Deletes the checkpoint after it has been hit once. This is similar to "until" command, but it will not resume the emulator.
mem_space	memory space (integer). Default: 0 (main memory). Other acceptable values 1=drive8, 2=drive9, 3=drive10, 4=drive11

**Value**

checkpoint list. Same as req\_checkpoint\_set

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req\_checkpoint\_toggle *Checkpoint toggle*

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**Description**

Checkpoint toggle

**Usage**

req\_checkpoint\_toggle(checkpoint, enabled)

**Arguments**

checkpoint	number 32bit int.
enabled	Should checkpoint be enabled? logical.

**Value**

empty response



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req_condition_set	<i>Sets a condition on an existing checkpoint. It is not currently possible to retrieve conditions after setting them.</i>
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**Description**

Sets a condition on an existing checkpoint. It is not currently possible to retrieve conditions after setting them.

**Usage**

```
req_condition_set(checkpoint, condition_expr)
```

**Arguments**

checkpoint	number 32bit int.
condition_expr	Condition expression string. This is the same format used on the command line.

**Value**

empty response

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req_display_get	<i>Gets the current screen in a requested bit format.</i>
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**Description**

This function returns a matrix which includes the screen capture including a generous border on each side.

**Usage**

```
req_display_get()
```

**Value**

name list of metainformation including 'img' which contains the colour indices at each memory location.

**len** length of the fields before the display buffer

**dwidth, dheight** Raw size of the returned matrix of pixels

**xoff, yoff** Offset within the image to the actual screen pixels

**width, height** dimensions of screen pixels starting at position (xoff, yoff)

**bpp** bits per pixel

**img** raw vector of colour at each pixel.

**See Also**

[req\_palette\_get()]

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req_dump	<i>Saves the machine state to a file.</i>
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**Description**

Saves the machine state to a file.

**Usage**

```
req_dump(filename, save_roms = FALSE, save_disks = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

filename	filename to save machine state into
save_roms	save ROMs to snapshot file? Logical. default: FALSE
save_disks	save disks to snapshot file. Logical. default: FALSE

**Value**

empty response

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req_execute_until_return	<i>Continues execution and returns to the monitor just after the next RTS or RTI is executed.</i>
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**Description**

This command is the same as "return" in the text monitor.

**Usage**

```
req_execute_until_return()
```

**Value**

empty response

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req_exit	<i>Exit the monitor until the next breakpoint.</i>
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**Description**

Exit the monitor until the next breakpoint.

**Usage**

```
req_exit()
```

**Value**

empty response

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req_joyport_set	<i>Set the simulated joyport value.</i>
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**Description**

Set the simulated joyport value.

**Usage**

```
req_joyport_set(port, value)
```

**Arguments**

port	the port to set the value on
value	value to set

**Value**

empty response

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req_keyboard_feed	<i>Add text to the keyboard buffer.</i>
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**Description**

Add text to the keyboard buffer.

**Usage**

```
req_keyboard_feed(text)
```

**Arguments**

text	PETSCII text
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**Value**

empty response

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req_memory_get	<i>Reads a chunk of memory from a start address to an end address (inclusive).</i>
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**Description**

13.4.1 Memory get (0x01)

**Usage**

```
req_memory_get(start, end, mem_space = 0, side_effects = FALSE, bank_id = 0)
```

**Arguments**

start	start address (integer)
end	end address (integer)
mem_space	memory space (integer). Default: 0 (main memory). Other acceptable values 1=drive8, 2=drive9, 3=drive10, 4=drive11
side_effects	Should the read cause side effects? Default: FALSE
bank_id	which bank you want. This is dependent on your machine. If the memspace selected doesn't support banks, this value is ignored.

**Details**

cmd <- 0x01

**Value**

vector of raw bytes

**See Also**

[req\_banks\_available()]

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req_memory_set	<i>Writes a chunk of memory from a start address to an end address (inclusive).</i>
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**Description**

Writes a chunk of memory from a start address to an end address (inclusive).

**Usage**

```
req_memory_set(
  bytes,
  start,
  bank_id = 0,
  mem_space = machine$mem_space$main,
  side_effects = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

bytes	raw vector of bytes to be written to memory
start	start address (integer)
bank_id	which bank you want. This is dependent on your machine. If the memspace selected doesn't support banks, this value is ignored.
mem_space	memory space (integer). Default: 0 (main memory). Other acceptable values 1=drive8, 2=drive9, 3=drive10, 4=drive11
side_effects	Should the read cause side effects? Default: FALSE

**Value**

empty response

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req_palette_get	<i>Get the colors in the current palette</i>
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**Description**

Get the colors in the current palette

**Usage**

```
req_palette_get()
```

**Value**

character vector of colours

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req_ping	<i>Get an empty response</i>
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**Description**

Get an empty response

**Usage**

```
req_ping()
```

**Value**

empty response

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req_quit	<i>Quits VICE.</i>
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**Description**

Quits VICE.

**Usage**

```
req_quit()
```

**Value**

empty response

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`req_registers_available`

*Gives a listing of all the registers for the running machine with their names.*

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**Description**

Gives a listing of all the registers for the running machine with their names.

**Usage**

```
req_registers_available(mem_space = machine$mem_space$main)
```

**Arguments**

`mem_space` memory space (integer). Default: 0 (main memory). Other acceptable values 1=drive8, 2=drive9, 3=drive10, 4=drive11

**Value**

named list of registers

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`req_registers_get` *Get details about the registers*

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**Description**

Get details about the registers

**Usage**

```
req_registers_get(mem_space = machine$mem_space$main)
```

**Arguments**

`mem_space` memory space (integer). Default: 0 (main memory). Other acceptable values 1=drive8, 2=drive9, 3=drive10, 4=drive11

**Value**

named integer vector where names are the register names.

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req_registers_set	<i>Set the register values</i>
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**Description**

Set the register values

**Usage**

```
req_registers_set(..., mem_space = machine$mem_space$main)
```

**Arguments**

...	name/value pairs specifying values for the named registers. e.g. req_register_set(A = 12)
mem_space	memory space (integer). Default: 0 (main memory). Other acceptable values 1=drive8, 2=drive9, 3=drive10, 4=drive11

**Value**

named integer vector where names are the register names.

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req_reset	<i>Reset the system or a drive</i>
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**Description**

Reset the system or a drive

**Usage**

```
req_reset(hard_reset = TRUE, drive = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

hard_reset	logical. default: TRUE
drive	integer. 8-11. If set, then this drive is reset rather than the main system.



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req_resource_get	<i>Get a resource value from the emulator. See section 6.1 Format of resource files.</i>
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**Description**

Get a resource value from the emulator. See section 6.1 Format of resource files.

**Usage**

```
req_resource_get(resource)
```

**Arguments**

resource      resource name. See [https://vice-emu.sourceforge.io/vice\\_6.html#SEC84](https://vice-emu.sourceforge.io/vice_6.html#SEC84)

**Value**

named list of 'type' of value (string or integer) and 'value'

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req_resource_set	<i>Set a resource value in the emulator. See section 6.1 Format of resource files.</i>
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**Description**

Set a resource value in the emulator. See section 6.1 Format of resource files.

**Usage**

```
req_resource_set(resource, value)
```

**Arguments**

resource      resource name. See [https://vice-emu.sourceforge.io/vice\\_6.html#SEC84](https://vice-emu.sourceforge.io/vice_6.html#SEC84)  
value          value to set. allowed: string or integer.

**Value**

empty response

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req_undump	<i>Loads the machine state from a file.</i>
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**Description**

Loads the machine state from a file.

**Usage**

```
req_undump(filename)
```

**Arguments**

filename	filename containing dump of the machine state.
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**Value**

The current program counter position

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req_userport_set	<i>Set the simulated userport value.</i>
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**Description**

Set the simulated userport value.

**Usage**

```
req_userport_set(value)
```

**Arguments**

value	value to set
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**Value**

empty response

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req_vice_info	<i>Get general information about VICE. Currently returns the versions.</i>
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**Description**

Get general information about VICE. Currently returns the versions.

**Usage**

```
req_vice_info()
```

**Value**

list with vice and SVN versions

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run_prg	<i>Run a PRG given as a numeric vector or a filename</i>
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**Description**

Run a PRG given as a numeric vector or a filename

**Usage**

```
run_prg(prg, ...)
```

**Arguments**

prg	filename or raw/numeric vector
...	extra arguments passed to send_req()

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save_screenshot	<i>Take a screenshot and save as PNG file</i>
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**Description**

Take a screenshot and save as PNG file

**Usage**

```
save_screenshot(filename, scale = 4, keep_border = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

filename	PNG filename
scale	scale factor applied to image before saving. default: 4
keep_border	keep the borders as part of the screenshot.

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send_req	<i>Deliver a request of raw bytes to the VICE binary monitor</i>
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**Description**

Deliver a request of raw bytes to the VICE binary monitor

**Usage**

```
send_req(
  request,
  parse_response = TRUE,
  keep_raw = FALSE,
  wait = 0.2,
  host = "localhost",
  port = 6502
)
```

**Arguments**

request	raw vector
parse_response	default: TRUE. If FALSE then return raw vector
keep_raw	should the raw bytes be returned as part of the parsed response? Default: FALSE
wait	how long to wait before checking for the response to the request. Default: 0.2s. Different commands, networks and Operating Systems will have different requirements here.
host	host to connect to. Default: "localhost"
port	port on host to connect to. Default: 6502. This is the default port set by VICE when running the binary monitor.

**Value**

named list with parsed response or a raw vector (if parse\_response = FALSE)

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take_screenshot	<i>Take a screenshot</i>
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**Description**

Take a screenshot

**Usage**

```
take_screenshot(keep_border = TRUE)
```

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**Arguments**

keep\_border      keep the borders as part of the screenshot.

**Value**

raster

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