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What is ViewBuilder?

ViewBuilder is a tool used as an adjunct to create graphics and drawings that i-Vu® does not already have in its **Library**, or to change existing graphic views. Operators can use these graphics to monitor and control their building automation system.

You can also:

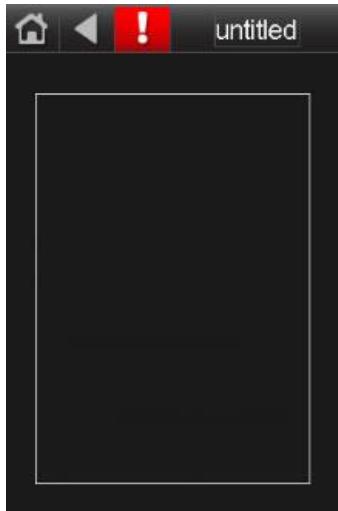
- Create *Equipment Touch screens* (page 101). An Equipment Touch is an interactive device that you can attach to a controller to view or change its property values or its real-time clock without having to access the system's server.

or

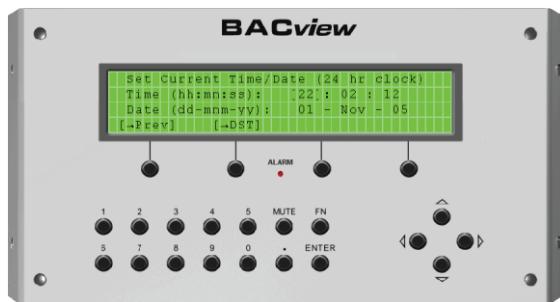
Create *System Touch screens* (page 160). A System Touch is an interactive device that can act as a front-end interface to controllers on a BACnet network.



- Create *Custom Equipment Touch screens* (page 141). Custom-sized Equipment Touch screens can be created to display on mobile devices, such as a cellphone or tablet.



- Create *BACview® screens* (page 197). A BACview device is a combination keypad/display that you can attach to a controller to view or change its property values or its real-time clock without having to access the system's server.



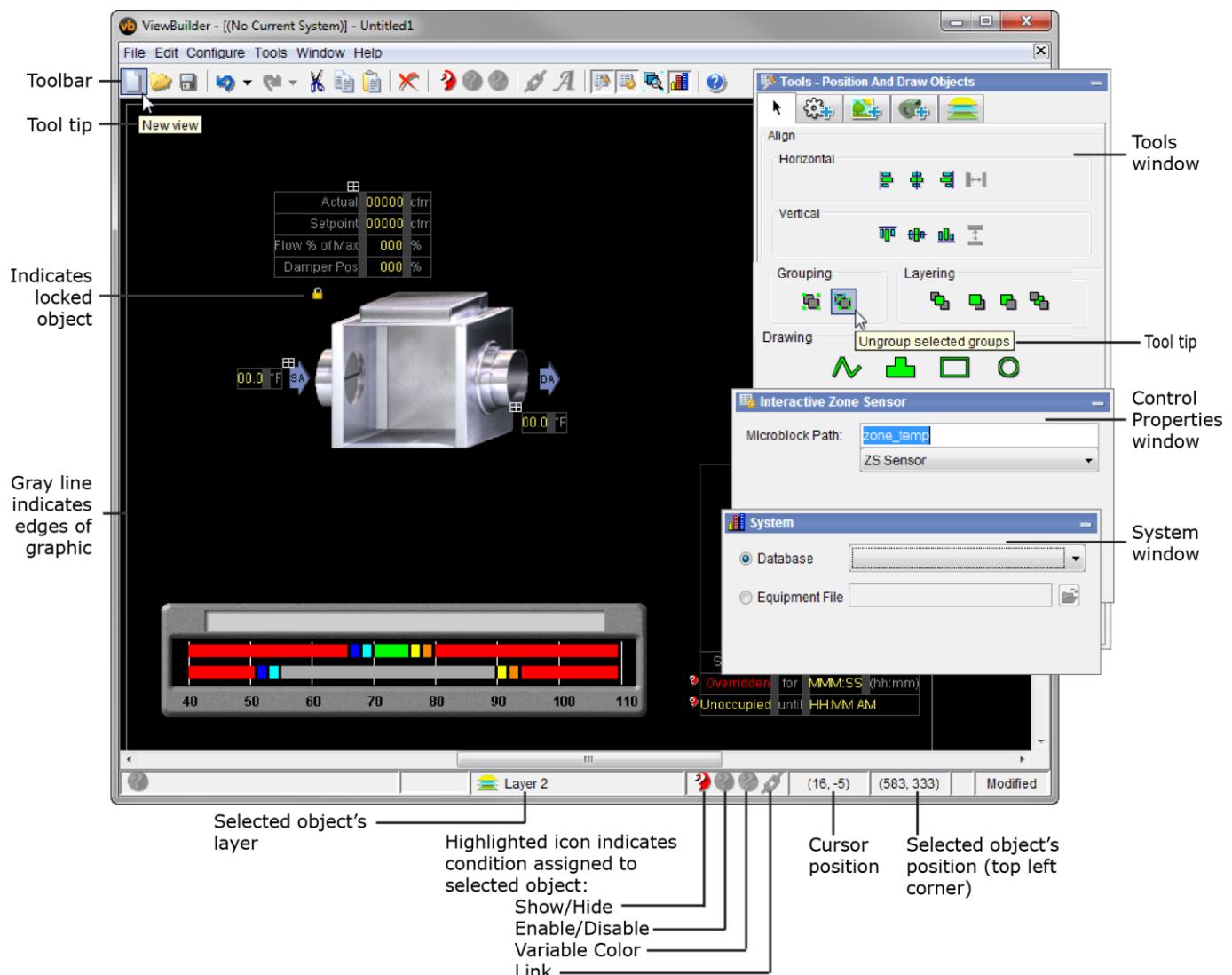
What's new in ViewBuilder v8.0

Feature	Improvement
v8.0 cumulative patch #5	
New <i>Interactive Zone graphic control</i> (page 21)	New sensor-agnostic and mobile-friendly interactive zone control.
v8.0	
SVG <i>Floorplans</i> (page 21)	This new control allows scalable floorplans that can include the Node Name header and color bar. Also provides the ability to scale the floorplan graphic to fill the entire pane, to zoom in/out, to display the floorplan in 3D, and to toggle the ducting on/off when applicable. We recommend Inkscape™ or Adobe® Illustrator®; contact the Graphics Department for further information.
New i-Vu® XT or TruVu™ icons	New icons in the navigation trees for i-Vu® XT or TruVu™ routers, devices, drivers, and equipment.

Working with graphics

Although Carrier provides graphics for i-Vu® systems, you can use ViewBuilder to *edit existing graphics* (page 10) or *create new graphics* (page 11). On custom graphics, you can add an Equipment Color oval  to indicate the temperature of a specified area.

Getting to know ViewBuilder's Graphics interface





TIPS

- ViewBuilder has a right-click menu that includes keyboard shortcuts for most commands.
- To show or hide the **Tools** , **Control Properties** , or **System**  windows, click the toolbar button that matches the window's icon.
- To make the **Tools**, **Control Properties**, and **System** windows fade to transparent when not in use, select **Configure > Preferences > Application**.
- Hold down the space bar and the left mouse button, then move the graphic around in the workspace using the hand tool.
- Press Home on the keyboard to align the top left corner of the graphic with the top left corner of the workspace.
- Hold down F9 to hide all handles and lock icons.

To select objects

You must select an object to perform any action on it.

- To select a single object, click it.
- To select multiple objects, hold down **Shift** while you click them.
Or, click and drag a rectangle around the objects, then release the mouse button.
- To select every object, select **Edit > Select All**.
- To clear all selections, select **Edit > Deselect All**.
- To deselect a single object from a group of selected objects, hold down **Ctrl** as you click the object.

To move objects

To move a selected object(s):

- Click and drag the object to the new location. Hold down **Shift** as you drag an object to constrain its movement to horizontal or vertical.
- Use the arrow keys to nudge the selected object one pixel at a time, or hold down **Shift** while using the arrow keys to move the object ten pixels at a time.
- Select **Edit > Move** to move the object to specific coordinates. The coordinates of the cursor and the selected object are shown at the bottom of ViewBuilder's window.

Associating Equipment Color ovals on a graphic to equipment

Use **Associations** to add **Equipment Color** ovals to a graphic, linking each oval to equipment. In the i-Vu® interface, the oval changes colors to indicate the status of the equipment.

In the **Associations** window in ViewBuilder, you can choose to enlarge the oval, show the **Prime Variable**, and add a **Hotspot** to your graphic. A hotspot links the oval to the equipment graphic or to another specified location.

When you use the **Associations** window to place multiple color ovals on a graphic, you can see the details of every oval in the one window. The **Associations** window has a tree with the paths or the names of the equipment that each oval is assigned to. When you do not use **Associations** and you individually place each **Equipment Color** oval

from the **Add Control** tab  [+ 0.0], you have to click on each oval one at a time to see its equipment or path.

To associate ovals to equipment

Use the following for one area graphic at a time. All Equipment Color ovals on that graphic are displayed in the Associations window.



CAUTION You cannot use the Associations window to place color ovals on a .jpg image. You must use a .png or .gif image. Use a graphic editing program to save a .jpg as a .png or .gif.

If you cannot reformat a .jpg, you can place an oval on it by using the Control Panel. See *To use an Equipment Color control* (page 28).

The i-Vu® Standard or Plus application

- 1 In the ViewBuilder workspace, double-click the area graphic to open the **Associations** window. (Ctrl+double-click a locked image.)
- 2 In the **Associations** window, on the **Unknown** tab, select **Unknown** on the tree.
- 3 Right-click the area in the graphic where you want the oval and select **Create Association**. This creates an association to a placeholder item on the tree.
- 4 Enter the correct path to the equipment on the **General** tab > **Path** field so that the colors and link will work correctly in the i-Vu® interface.

NOTE To find the path, open the i-Vu® application and right-click the controller in the navigation tree. Select **Copy Path** from the drop-down list, copy (Ctrl+C), and paste (Ctrl+V) into the **Path** field.

- 5 Repeat steps to continue associating more ovals on the same graphic.
- 6 Click **Save and Close**.

Creating associations using an i-Vu® Pro system

You must have the **i-Vu® Pro Server** running on your computer in order to access the system in ViewBuilder. If you have remote access, follow the directions above for the i-Vu® Standard or Plus application.

- 1 In the ViewBuilder workspace, double-click the area graphic to open the **Associations** window. (Ctrl+double-click a locked image.)

If you have the **i-Vu® Server** running on your computer and you still do not see the system's navigation tree in the Associations window:

- a) Close the **Associations** window.
- b) Click  on the toolbar.
- c) Select the system in the drop-down list.
- d) Click **Next**, enter **Name:** and **Password:**
- e) Click **Next**. Leave this window open while you work in **Associations**. Click **Close System** when you are finished.

- 2 In the **Associations** window, expand the items in the **User** tree to show all the equipment you want to link to an oval.

NOTE To display more of the navigation tree, pull down on the double line above **Action Button** on the **Advanced** tab.

- 3 Select the first equipment in the tree to be associated to an oval.
- 4 Ctrl+click the area on the graphic where you want the oval.
- 5 If the next tree item is equipment, Ctrl+click the next area on the graphic. If not, select the equipment, then Ctrl+click the area on the graphic.
- 6 Repeat step 5 to continue associating ovals.
- 7 Click **Save and Close**.

NOTES

- The default settings for every oval, shown on the **General** tab, are **Is Large** and **Hotspot**. To change the defaults, you can check or uncheck the settings after each association or at another time. To adjust after making multiple associations, click the oval and adjust as needed on the **General** and **Advanced** tabs. For details on a **Hotspot**, see the next topic "To link to a page other than the area graphic".
- To delete an oval from your graphic, see *To remove an association* (page 8).
- Press **F3** or **F4** to jump from one associated equipment to another on the tree.
- To change an image after making associations, see *Editing an image on a graphic* (page 15).

To link to a page other than the equipment graphic

Create a hotspot to link to the default equipment graphic

- 1 In the **Associations** window, select the Equipment Color oval you wish to link to the equipment graphic.
- 2 Select the **General** tab and check the **Hotspot** box.
NOTE Hotspot is checked by default.

To link the hotspot to a different page than the default equipment graphic

- 1 In the Associations window, select the oval you wish to link to.
- 2 On the **General** tab, verify that **Hotspot** is checked.
- 3 Click the **Advanced** tab.
- 4 Select an **Action Button** from the drop-down list.
- 5 Enter a **Category Reference Name**, **Instance**, and **Tab**.

 **TIP** To find **Category Reference Name**, **Instance**, and **Tab**, go to the location in the i-Vu® interface that you want to link to and use the `whereami` manual command. See “Manual Commands” in i-Vu® Help.

NOTE To delete a hotspot created by this method, select the oval and uncheck **Hotspot** on the **General** tab.

To create two different hotspots for the same equipment

- 1 Associate two different ovals to the same equipment.
- 2 Click the **Advanced** tab and on the **Action Button** drop-down list, select the location where you want the oval to link to.
- 3 Enter a **Category Reference Name**, **Instance**, and **Tab**.
- 4 You must also check **Work Independently**.

To remove an association

In the **Associations** window, select the associated tree item on the **User** tab, then click  on the toolbar, or right-click the oval, and press **Remove Association**.

NOTE To remove the hotspot uncheck the item on the **General** tab.

To align, group, or layer objects

Select the object(s) you want to align, group, ungroup, or arrange (front to back), then use the right-click menu commands or the options on the  tab in the **Tools** window.

NOTES

- Objects align in relationship to the last selected item, the one with the green handles.
- See *To edit an object in a group* (page 50).

To copy an object

Click  to copy the selected object, then click  to paste the object in the existing view or a different view. Or, hold **Alt** while dragging an object to create a duplicate object.

To lock or unlock objects

- To lock a selected object(s) so you cannot select or move it, right-click the object, then select **Lock**.
- To unlock an object, **Ctrl+right-click** the object, then select **Unlock**.
- To unlock a table, **Ctrl+right-click** on the small grid above the table.
- To unlock all locked objects simultaneously, right-click anywhere in the workspace and select **Unlock All**.

NOTES

- You can also lock and unlock objects on the **Layers** tab  in the **Tools** window. See *Working with layers* (page 51).
- Hold down the **F9** key to hide the lock icons.

To undo or redo actions

Click  as many times as necessary to undo actions that you performed in the current session of ViewBuilder, beginning with the most recent action. Click  to redo the action.

You can also click the drop-down arrow to the right of the Undo or Redo button to select an action from a list that begins with the most recent action. Selecting an action will undo or redo that action, plus all actions above it in the list.

 **CAUTION** An entire Associations session is considered one action. Clicking Undo one time will undo the entire session.

Editing a graphic

To edit a graphic that was created in ViewBuilder, browse to and open the graphic file.

To edit...

An Equipment Color oval	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Double-click the Equipment Color oval on the graphic to open the Associations window.2 Select the oval that you want to edit.3 Edit any of the settings on the General or Advanced tab.
A hotspot's link destination on an area graphic	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Double-click the Equipment Color oval on the graphic to open the Associations window.2 Select the oval whose hotspot you want to edit.3 Change the location that the hotspot links to in the Path field on the General tab.
An image	See <i>Editing an image on a graphic</i> (page 15).
A drawing	Use the Alignment/Drawing tab in the Tools window. See <i>Drawing lines and shapes</i> (page 53).
A control	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Select the control.2 Edit any properties in the Control Properties window. See <i>Working with graphic controls</i> (page 16).
A link	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Right-click the control that is a link.2 Select Link.3 Edit the fields in the dialog box as needed. See <i>Adding links to a graphic</i> (page 55) or a description of each field.
A table	See <i>Working with tables on a graphic</i> (page 30).

To edit a graphic from the i-Vu® application in ViewBuilder

- 1 In the i-Vu® interface, double-click the controller in the navigation tree or right-click and select **Configure**.
- 2 Click **Edit Existing** button under **Views**.
- 3 Click **Save as** and place the file in an appropriate folder.
- 4 Open ViewBuilder.
- 5 Select **File > Open**. Browse to your saved graphic and click to open.
- 6 Edit and save with a new name - the original system name is locked and cannot be used for an edited graphic.

NOTE Names are case sensitive and should not have spaces and/or special characters.

To upload a graphic in the i-Vu® interface

- 1 Double-click the controller in the navigation tree or right-click and select **Configure**.
- 2 Click the **Add New** button under **Views**.
- 3 Browse to your .view graphic file that you created in ViewBuilder.
- 4 Click **Continue**.
- 5 Click **Close** when message appears **File added successfully**.
- 6 Click **Close** again. The graphic should appear on your i-Vu® screen.

Multiple graphics in i-Vu® Pro application

- 1 If you have multiple graphics for one equipment in the i-Vu® Pro interface, follow steps 1 - 5, select the new .view in the **Available** window and click **Attach**.
- 2 In the **Attached** window, double-click the .view and fill in the fields below the window.

Field Assistant application

Field Assistant can **upload** and display multiple graphics (.views) that were downloaded to a controller. However, Field Assistant can only **download** a single .view to the controller. If you edit one of the .views and download to the controller, you will only download the edited .view. Information for the other .views are removed from the controller. You can reattach and re-download those .views from your i-Vu® system.

Creating a graphic

A graphic can be created to display the status of multiple zones or equipment from a single view. The area or floorplan graphics can be set up with **Equipment Color** controls  to provide a visual representation of the comfort level in each zone.

Values, text, and links can also be added to area and floorplan graphics. Clicking on a link zooms in on an individual zone or individual piece of equipment for closer examination.

To create a graphic:

- 1 In a graphics program, create any custom images (page 13) such as floorplans.
- 2 In ViewBuilder, click  or **File > New** and then select **Area**.
- 3 Select **File > Save As** and browse to a convenient location on your computer.
- 4 Name the .view file.
- 5 Click **Save**.
- 6 Add a beginning image (page 13), such as a duct or floorplan.



CAUTION Keep items within the gray lines that define the graphic size. If the items exceed the gray lines, change the graphic's size (page 12).

7 Add images (page 13), controls (page 16), and symbols (page 49) as needed.

NOTE Use the **Equipment Color** ovals to display the temperature in an area relative to the designated setpoints for that area. Use the *Associations* (page 6) window or the *Control Panel* (page 28).

8 Test your graphic in the i-Vu® interface.

NOTES

- Save your work often.
- To record information about the graphic, select **Configure > View Properties**, then type your name and comments on the **Summary** tab. **Revision History** shows each time the graphic was saved, the computer it was saved on, and the version of ViewBuilder it was saved in.

To change the graphic size

The gray lines in the ViewBuilder interface show the size of the graphic. The default size of a new graphic is 1666 x 898 pixels. This size graphic fits in the i-Vu® action pane when the navigation tree is displayed, the screen resolution is set at 1920 x 1080, and the web browser is maximized with the toolbars and status bar hidden. A graphic that is 1886 x 898 pixels fits the action pane when the tree is hidden.

To change the size of your graphic:

1 Select **Configure > View Properties**.

2 Under **View Size**, select the size you want or enter a custom size (in pixels).

NOTE If you enter a size greater than the i-Vu® action pane, i-Vu® will display scroll bars.

3 Click **OK**.

To change a graphic's background color

1 Select **Configure > View Background Color**.

2 Select the color you want.

3 Click **OK**.

Working with images on a graphic

You can add images, such as areas, legacy floorplans, or site maps, to your graphic. In a graphics program, create an area image as a .gif or .png; create any other image as a .gif, .png, or jpg.



TIP We recommend using .svg graphics for your floorplans instead of legacy floorplans. To insert an SVG Floorplan control, skip this section and see *Controls and their properties* (page 17).

To add an image to your graphic

1 Click the **Add Image** tab  in the **Tools** window.

2 In the **Look in** field, browse to the folder that contains the image you want.



TIP Click one of the five buttons at the left of the file list to jump to a location quickly. Hold the cursor over a button to see its destination.

3 Select the image.

4 Click in the workspace to place the image.



TIP You can also double-click a file name in the **Tools** window to add the image to the workspace.

5 Enter an image in the **Mouseover Image** field in the **Control Properties** window if you want the i-Vu® interface to display a different image when the cursor is over the image.

NOTE The mouseover image must be the same size as the other image.

NOTES

- To add the image multiple times, select the image, then **Shift+click** the workspace for each image.
- To set an image to show or hide in the i-Vu® interface based on the value of a microblock property, see *Setting objects on a graphic to show/hide in the i-Vu® interface* (page 57).
- To make an image link to another page in the i-Vu® interface or to the Internet, see *Adding links to a graphic* (page 55).

To resize an image

To resize an image, you can type the desired **Width** and **Height** (in pixels) in the **Control Properties** window or do the following:

- 1 Select a single, ungrouped image.
- 2 Click and drag one of the green handles.

NOTES

- Hold down the **Shift** key as you drag to maintain the image's proportions.
- Adding equipment associations to an image will force it back to its original size.

Creating a CCN Universal or Comfort Controller graphic

A graphic can be created to display links to the points in your Universal or Comfort Controller. An image that you create can also be added. Add as many points as you would like to connect to.

To create a graphic for your Universal or Comfort Controller:

- 1 In ViewBuilder, click  to start a new graphic file.
- 2 Place images, symbols, drawings, and controls.
- 3 Save the file as a .view in a folder you will remember or place on your desktop.

NOTE Save your work often.

- 4 See the following section to map the points.

NOTE To record information about the graphic, select **Configure > View Properties**, then type your name and comments on the **Summary** tab. **Revision History** shows each time the graphic was saved and the workstation it was saved on.

To map points from custom equipment files

- 1 Use EquipmentBuilder to make your custom equipment file. Save the file in a convenient folder.
- 2 Open ViewBuilder and prepare your graphic.
- 3 If you do not already see the **System** window, click  on the toolbar.
- 4 Click next to **Equipment File**.
- 5 Browse to the .equip file that you made in EquipmentBuilder, then click **Select**, and **Next**. You will see a list of the points that you mapped in EquipmentBuilder.
- 6 Select the item whose path you want.
- 7 Open the **Control Properties** window by selecting **Window > Control Properties**.
- 8 Right-click the **Microblock Path** field in a **Control Properties** window, then click on **Set Microblock Path Expression**.
- 9 Click **Show Prime Variable** to display that value on your graphic. (If using an **Equipment Color** control, select a large oval.)

Editing an image on a graphic

- 1 Edit the original image (.gif, .png, or .jpg) in a graphics application.

NOTES

- To use the Associations window, your images must be either .png or .gif format.
- If you do not have the original image, follow the procedure below in “To export an image”.

- 2 Add the edited image to your graphic by one of the following methods:

- If the image on your graphic has no functionality in ViewBuilder, such as show/hide, linking, or associations, delete the image, then add the revised image.
- If the image has functionality in ViewBuilder that you want to retain, follow the procedure below in “To import an image”.

To import an image

You can replace an image with another image and retain any functionality that the first image had.

- 1 Double-click the image to open the **Associations** window.



- 2 Click .
- 3 Browse to your image file and click **Open**.
- 4 If you are importing an image into a graphic that has associations, select **File > Import Image**.
 - **Merge** - ViewBuilder attempts to reassign all existing associations to the new image.
 - **Clear** - Removes all existing associations so that you can redefine them.
- 5 If you selected **Merge**, check the image to make sure ViewBuilder reassigned all ovals.
- 6 Click **Save and Close**.

To export an image

To export an image from your .view file:

- 1 Do one of the following
 - Right-click the image in the workspace, select **Export Image**.
 - Double-click the image to open the **Associations** window, then select **File > Export Image**.
- 2 Save the file in any folder.

To add hover text

You can add hover text that will appear in the i-Vu® interface when you hold the cursor over an oval.

- 1 In the **Associations** window, select the oval that you want to have hover text.
- 2 Type the text in the **Hover Text** field on the **General** tab.

Working with graphic controls

You can add controls to a graphic that can retrieve and allow editing of data in the system's controllers, for example, status values, the date and time, trend graphs, or setpoint graphs.

NOTES

- To set a control to show or hide in the i-Vu® interface based on the value of a microblock property, see *Setting objects on a graphic to show/hide in i-Vu® interface* (page 57).
- To make some controls link to other pages in the i-Vu® interface or to the Internet, see *Adding links to a graphic* (page 55).
- Hold down F8 to see an indicator beside all controls that need to have a microblock path defined in the **Control Properties** window.



To add a control

- 1 Click the **Add Control** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select the control you want to add. See *Controls and their properties* (page 17) for a description of each control.
- 3 Click in the workspace where you want to add the control.

NOTE To cancel the action, press **Esc** before clicking the workspace.

- 4 Edit properties for the control in the **Control Properties** window. See *Controls and their properties* (page 17).
- 5 Click anywhere in the workspace to apply the properties.



TIPS

- To add a control multiple times, select the control, then press **Shift+click** the workspace for each copy.
- Hold **Alt** while dragging a control to create a copy of it.

Controls and their properties

When you add a control to a graphic, you define properties in the **Control Properties** window to define what data the control will retrieve or how the control will behave in the i-Vu® interface. Most controls have the following three properties.

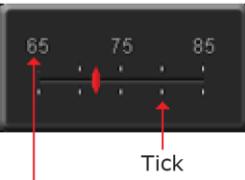
Microblock Path	The path to the microblock you want the control to read from or write to. You can <i>determine the path yourself</i> (page 79).
NOTES	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• If this field is outlined in red, you entered invalid syntax or characters.• See <i>Defining i-Vu® paths</i> (page 76) for more information on paths.
Property	The microblock property you want to read from or write to. Click the down arrow to select a common property (usually present_value) or type the property you want. Editable microblocks usually require the relinquish_default property. See Microblock Reference help for a complete list of properties.
Editable	Check to make the control editable in the i-Vu® interface. The microblock must have editable properties.

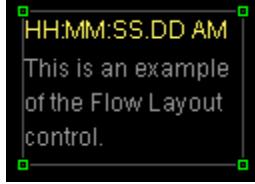
The following table lists all the controls you can add to a graphic and any other properties besides the three described above.

Use this control...	To...	Properties
 Static Text	Display text that does not change. Example: A description of a control	Text —The text you want the control to display in the i-Vu® interface.
 Single-line Text	Display text from the character string field in a microblock. Example: Point name	Preview Text —Text that is displayed only in ViewBuilder to help you place the control. Type the preview text or select from the drop-down list. NOTE To display the Notes defined in the i-Vu® application for an area or piece of equipment, enter the path to the area or piece of equipment in the Microblock Path field, then type <code>.notations</code> in the Property field.
 Multi-line Text	Place a multi-line text box on a page. Example: Long text of an alarm	Wrap text —Wraps text from line to line inside the text area box. Provide Scrolling —Includes scrollbars. Visible Row Count —The number of rows the text area will display. Visible Column Count —The estimated number of characters a row will display. This estimate helps you avoid overlapping other page elements when positioning the control in ViewBuilder.

Use this control...	To...	Properties
 Text Toggle	<p>Display active and inactive text values for a binary microblock. When editable, can be toggled between multiple states by clicking on it.</p> <p>Example: Chiller is enabled or disabled</p>	<p>Preview Text—Text that is displayed only in ViewBuilder to help you place the control. Type the preview text or select from the drop-down list.</p>
 Dropelist	<p>Display the text values for BACnet multi-state microblocks. A dropelist can also display the active and inactive text values for a binary microblock. When editable, appears as a dropelist with multiple options.</p> <p>Example: Units of measure (°F)</p>	<p>General</p> <p>Preview Text—Text that is displayed only in ViewBuilder to help you place the control. Type the preview text or select from the drop-down list.</p> <p>Advanced</p> <p>To have the dropelist show the status of a BACnet Modeled Multi-State Output microblock or a BACnet Modeled Multi-State Value microblock, on the Advanced tab, replace key in the Attribute Name Key field with the word sort.</p>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toggle Button	<p>Display two different images to represent the on and off states of a microblock property.</p> <p>Example: The control reads a fan status value, then displays a static image of a fan to indicate the fan is off and an animated image to indicate it is on.</p>	<p>General</p> <p>Images—To use images other than a checkbox, click  to locate the On and Off image files.</p> <p>Advanced</p> <p>If you want to display custom images for the following conditions, click  to locate the image.</p> <p>Mouseover Image—The image to be displayed when the cursor is over the button to indicate a clickable link.</p> <p>Pressed Images—The images to be displayed when the cursor is on the button and the mouse button is pressed down, but not yet released.</p> <p>Disabled Images—The images to be displayed when buttons are not editable.</p>

Use this control...	To...	Properties								
0.0 Number	<p>Display any numerical value from an analog microblock.</p> <p>Example: Zone temperature</p>	General	<p>Max Right Digits—The maximum number of digits to be displayed to the right of the decimal. Type <code>0</code> to display whole numbers.</p>	<p>Min Left Digits—The minimum number of digits to be displayed to the left of the decimal (usually 1).</p>	<p>Expected Left Digits—The number of digits that might appear to the left of the decimal. These digits are only displayed in ViewBuilder to help you position the control.</p>	<p>Create Units Control—Adds a Dropdown control to the right of the Number control. The microblock must have a units field that identifies the number (for example, RPM). The Microblock Path is the same as the Number control. Type or select a Preview Text option. This text is only displayed in ViewBuilder to help you place the control.</p>	Advanced	<p>Scaling Factor—To display a microblock property value in a different format, type the necessary multiplication factor. For example, to display watts as kilowatts, type <code>.001</code> in this field.</p>	<p>Show plus sign—Displays a plus sign when the value is positive.</p>	<p>NOTE You can use the Number control to display the number of alarms pending a return-to-normal state for an area or equipment. To do this, enter the path to the area or equipment in the Microblock Path field, then type <code>.alarm_count</code> in the Property field.</p>
 Image List	<p>Show various states of an analog microblock using images.</p> <p>Example: A closed damper is shown when the analog value is 0; a half-open damper is shown when the value equals 50; and a fully open damper is shown when the analog values equals 100.</p>	Default Image	<p>Click  to locate the image you want the control to display when a communication problem or error occurs. Use a different image from the others in the image list so that the i-Vu® operator will know when an error occurs. For example, some symbols that use image lists have default images with  in the center of the image.</p>	<p>Click  to add the images the control displays under normal conditions. Use  and  to reorder the list. Click  to delete an image from the list.</p>	<p>Expression—Enter an expression for each image (except the default image) to define the condition for displaying the image. See <i>Conditional expressions</i> (page 82). When the graphic is displayed in the i-Vu® interface, each expression is evaluated in the order of your list and the first image whose expression returns true is displayed. If no expression returns true, the default image is displayed.</p>					

Use this control...	To...	Properties								
 Slider	Display a horizontal or vertical slider bar that can be used to adjust an editable point. Example: Editing a setpoint	<p>General</p> <p>Display Orientation—Displays the slider horizontally or vertically.</p> <p>Minimum Value—The minimum value on the slider.</p> <p>Maximum Value—The maximum value on the slider.</p> <p>Tick Interval—The number of units from one tick to another.</p> <p>NOTE To have the slider divisions appear correctly, the slider range (maximum value minus minimum value) should be evenly divisible by the tick interval.</p> <p>Slide By This Increment—The number of units the slider jumps when you move it.</p> <p>Example of control properties and the results in WebCTRL</p> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="flex: 1;"> <p>Slider Measurements</p> <table border="1" style="border-collapse: collapse; width: 100%;"> <tr><td>Minimum Value:</td><td>65</td></tr> <tr><td>Maximum Value:</td><td>65</td></tr> <tr><td>Tick Interval:</td><td>5</td></tr> <tr><td>Slide By This Increment:</td><td>1</td></tr> </table> </div> <div style="flex: 1; text-align: center;">  <p>Scale numbers are Static Text controls</p> </div> </div>	Minimum Value:	65	Maximum Value:	65	Tick Interval:	5	Slide By This Increment:	1
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Maximum Value:	65									
Tick Interval:	5									
Slide By This Increment:	1									
 Date	Display a date, typically read from a History microblock. Example: Date of the highest zone temperature	<p>Show day of week—Adds the day to the right of the date.</p> <p>NOTE To display a controller's current date on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the equipment graphic, type <code>~device/driver/device/local_date</code> in the Microblock Path field. an area graphic, type <code><equipment_ref_name>/~device/driver/device/local_date</code> in the Microblock Path field. <p>In either case, delete the text in the Property field.</p>								
 Time	Display a time of day, typically read from a History or Wire Lock microblock. Example: Time of the day's highest temperature	<p>Display Format—Choose how to display time.</p> <p>NOTE To display a controller's current time on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the equipment graphic, type <code>~device/driver/device/local_time</code> in the Microblock Path field. an area graphic, type <code><equipment_ref_name>/~device/driver/device/local_time</code> in the Microblock Path field. <p>In either case, delete the text in the Property field.</p>								

Use this control...	To...	Properties
 Duration	Display a time period. Example: Override time remaining	<p>Select the microblock value's unit in the Microblock Unit field.</p> <p>Check Show Hours and Show Seconds to display these with the minutes.</p> <p>NOTES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Duration control must reference an analog value. This control's Microblock Unit must match the unit of the microblock value. Digital and analog wirelock microblocks output a value in milliseconds.
 Trend Graph	Place a BACnet trend on a graphics page. Example: Trend graph of zone temperature	<p>Trend location—To add a point or wire trend graph, type the microblock path. To add a trend graph that shows multiple points, type the reference name of the graph. To find the reference name, navigate to the graph in the i-Vu® interface, then click the Configure tab. The reference name appears at the top of the page.</p>
 Panel	Serve as a backdrop for other objects.	Move the handles to adjust the shape of the panel.
 Table	Align multiple controls in rows and columns. Example: Fan status table	See <i>Working with tables on a graphic</i> (page 30).
 Flow Layout	Add text, controls, or images to a resizable container that wraps the objects to fit the container.	<p>To add content to the Flow Layout control:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Double-click it to type text. NOTE Press Esc to exit the control without saving the text. Drag and drop other controls or images into it. NOTE You cannot insert a Panel, Table, HTML, or another Flow Layout control. <p>Click and drag the Flow Layout's handles to resize it.</p> <p>Use the options in the Control Properties window to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Align the contents in the Flow Layout control Wrap the text Change the border's thickness Change the border or background color 

 On-Off-Auto <p>Provide a method to lock a piece of equipment on, lock it off, or let the control program control it (Auto). Example: To control fans or pumps</p>	<p>Microblock Path—Type the path in this field only if this control is to read one microblock.</p> <p>Type: Select... Dial</p> <p>To display...</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Vertical Panel</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Horizontal Panel</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div>
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Order—Select the order of the control labels. The order is left to right for Dial and Horizontal Panel, or top to bottom for Vertical Panel.

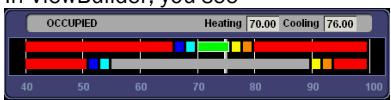
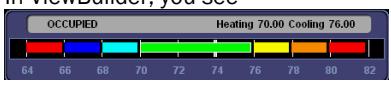
Use State Text—Check to use the binary microblock's Active text and Inactive text instead of the control's defaults.

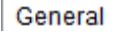
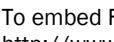
Use Advanced Path—Check if you want this control to read two microblocks, one for Auto and one for On/Off (Hand/Off). Enter the microblocks in the following fields.

Automatic Microblock Path and Property—The microblock that contains the Auto values.

Manual Microblock Path and Property—The microblock that contains the On/Off values.

 Radio Button <p>A set of radio buttons provide a method to view or edit the various states of a microblock property. Example: Manual and Auto</p>	<p>Enter the same Microblock path and Property for each radio button in the set.</p> <p>Radio Button Value—If the button is not editable, type the value that will turn the button on. If the button is editable, type the value that the property will change to if an operator selects the button.</p> <p>For an analog microblock, type the specific value the button is to represent.</p> <p>For a binary microblock, type <code>true</code> or <code>1</code> (depending on the property) for one button's value and <code>false</code> or <code>0</code> for the other button's value.</p> <p>The remaining fields for this control are the same as those for the Toggle Button.</p>
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 Setpoint	Provide a method to view or edit setpoints.	Setpoint Type —The control's appearance depends on the following: Select... To display... Actual Occupied and unoccupied setpoints programmed into the setpoint microblock.
		In ViewBuilder, you see 
		In the i-Vu® interface, you see
		Effective Effects of factors such as overrides, adjustments, and hysteresis.
		In ViewBuilder, you see 
		In the i-Vu® interface, you see
 Interactive Zone	Provide a method to view and adjust key zone values	Size —Type the desired width and height of the image, or drag its corners to resize it. Show Zone Color —Check to match the color of the control's border to the zone color of the equipment. Allow Fan Adjustment —Check if your equipment contains fan control.
 Interactive Zone Sensor	Provide a method to adjust or override a setpoint.	Zone Sensor Type —Select whether the image is to be an SPT Sensor or ZS Sensor . The control in the workspace will show your selection.
 BACnet Object ID	Place a BACnet object ID on a graphics page.	Instance Number Only —Check to allow an operator to edit only the instance number of the BACnet object ID on a graphic.

 HTML	<p>Add any Standards-compliant HTML to the graphic. For example, to embed a:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Video • Flash movie • Flash application • Live video feed from security cameras 	<p>Move the handles to adjust the shape of the HTML control.</p>
 General	<p>Preview Image—Click  to locate an image that displays only in ViewBuilder.</p>	<p>Insert HTML—Enter any HTML and resource file references that are acceptable within the HTML <body> tag. Add any resource file on the Resources tab. In the HTML, type the file path as resources/<filename.extension>.</p>
 Resources	<p>Click  to add files to the Resources list. Click  to delete files from the list.</p>	<p>To embed a video, see http://www.w3schools.com/html/html5_videos.asp.</p>
 Chart	<p>Add content from a custom report to a chart</p>	<p>See <i>To produce a chart</i> (page 66).</p>
 Data Table	<p>Add content from a custom report to a table</p>	<p>See <i>To produce a data table</i> (page 61).</p>

 Add-on Content	Add content from a i-Vu® add-on application to a graphic	Add-on Name —Get this from the i-Vu® interface on the System Options or System Settings > Add-ons tab. Use value in the Path column, minus the leading /. For example, if the Path column shows /TenantBilling, type TenantBilling in the Add-on Name field.
Content Path —If the add-on's documentation specifies a content path, enter it in this field. Otherwise, leave this field blank.		
 Equipment color	To view the state of the Prime Variable	Location —Where the add-on application retrieves i-Vu® data. Select:
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attached if the data comes from the location where the graphic is attached. • Alternate if the data comes from an alternate location, and then type the path to the alternate location.
		Size —Type the desired width and height of the Add-on Content box, or drag its corners to resize it.
		Parameters —If the add-on specifies parameters, you can add them as described below. Otherwise, leave this section blank.
		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Click  to add a row. 2 Click the Name cell and type the name of the parameter. 3 Click the Value cell, and then type the new value.
		NOTE To delete a row, select the row, and then click 
 Angular Gauge	Display a circular gauge that graphically shows a value.	In i-Vu®, the oval displays colors to indicate the status of the equipment in relation to its prime variable (for example, ideal, warm, occupied, etc.). <p>Equipment Path - To determine equipment path:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Open i-Vu®. 2. Right-click on equipment in the navigation tree and click Copy Path. 3. Open ViewBuilder. 4. Paste. <p>Size - Choose the size of the oval that you wish to appear on your graphic.</p> <p>Show Prime Variable - Displays the prime variable.</p> <p>For more information, See <i>To use an Equipment Color control</i> (page 28).</p>

 Linear Gauge	Display a horizontal or vertical bar that graphically shows a value.	See <i>Working with gauges on a graphic</i> (page 33).
 SVG Floor Plan	Display a scalable floor plan image	<p>General</p> <p>To display the following in the i-Vu® interface:</p> <p><u>SVG File</u></p> <p>Load Image-Click  to locate an image.</p> <p><u>Display Options</u></p> <p>Fill Screen-Check to display the .svg file to fill the entire window. See <u>Fill Options</u> below to define your margin size.</p> <p>Include Node Name Header-Check to include the Node Name Header.</p> <p>Include Color Bar-Check to include the Color Bar.</p> <p>Allow Zoom-Check to allow the user to switch from a summary graphic to individual areas.</p> <p>Add 3D Toggle-Check to allow the user to switch between a standard and 3D view of the walls.</p> <p>NOTE The 3D view only appears in the i-Vu® interface if it has been integrated into both the floorplan in ViewBuilder and into the SVG file.</p> <p>Add Ducting Toggle-Check to allow the user to include or exclude the ducting on the floorplan. Also, allows the user to click the equipment on the ducting line to immediately open the equipment graphic.</p> <p>NOTE The ducting only appears in the i-Vu® interface if it has been integrated into the floorplan in ViewBuilder.</p> <p><u>Fill Options</u></p> <p>Position of Buttons-Select the location the control buttons (3D Walls, Diffuser, and Zoom) appear.</p> <p>Top Margin, Bottom Margin, Left Margin, Right Margin-If Fill Screen is selected, enter the value in pixels for the size of the margin.</p>

Data File



Load Data File—Click  to locate the accompanying .json file, if applicable.

Report Properties

Report ID—Get the report ID from the i-Vu® Report Manager.

Default Column ID—This is the column whose color is displayed when the graphic first appears. Get the Column ID from the i-Vu® Report Manager. Leave blank if the graphic pulls data from only one report column.

Column Name Local Variable—This is the Name of the variable of the Report column. Leave blank if the graphic pulls data from only one report column.

Variables—To add a row:

1 Click  to add a row.

2 Click the **ID** cell and type the name of the parameter.

3 Click the **Value** cell, and then type the new value.

NOTE To delete a row, select the row, and then click .

TIP If the color map will show information from more than one report column, add a control (dropdown or radio buttons) that allows the user to select the information they want to see.

TIPS

- The symbol library contains preconfigured, commonly used controls. See *Working with symbols on a graphic* (page 49).
- To change the font color, size, or style for any control that displays alphanumeric characters, right-click the control, then select .
- Several controls let you select an image file that the control will display. To quickly locate an image that you previously added to your graphic, click , then select the image on the **Resources** tab.
NOTE Use this feature if you need to swap the **Off/On** images of a control such as the Toggle Button.
- You can enter the full path to a microblock property in the **Microblock Path** field and then leave the **Property** field blank. Example of full path: #oa_conditions/oa_humidity/present_value

To use an Equipment Color control

When you add an **Equipment Color** control to a graphic, you link the oval to the equipment, choose the size of the oval, and select the Prime Variable in the **Control Properties** window in ViewBuilder. In the i-Vu® interface, the oval will display colors to indicate the status of the equipment (for example, ideal, warm, occupied, etc.).

Use an **Equipment Color** control to place a single oval. Use **Associations** (page 6) to place multiple ovals on a graphic.

- 1 Open the i-Vu® application.
- 2 Right-click the controller in the navigation tree and select **Copy Path** from the drop down list.
- 3 Open ViewBuilder. Create a new graphic or open an existing one.

NOTE To place an **Equipment Color** control in your graphic, open the **Add Control** tab  in the **Tools** window. Click the  and then click in the view to place it.

- 4 Open the Control Properties window (**Window > Show Control Properties**).
- 5 Paste (Ctrl+V) in the **Equipment Path** field.
- 6 Select a large or small oval to appear on your graphic.
- 7 Optional: Check **Show Prime Variable** to display the prime variable in i-Vu®.
NOTE You must choose a large oval to display the **Prime Variable**.
- 8 Save your view.
- 9 In i-Vu®, right-click on the site or area in the navigation tree and select **Configure** from the drop-down menu.
- 10 Select your view and click **Add**.

To add variable color to a text control

For any control that displays alphanumeric characters, you can enter an expression that causes the text to change color in the i-Vu® interface based on the value of a microblock property.

- 1 Select the control.
- 2 Click  on the toolbar.
- 3 Enter the expression. See *Conditional expressions* (page 82) and examples below.
NOTE Click a color in the **Color Insertion Tool** to add its hexadecimal value in the expression.
- 4 Click **OK**.

NOTE To remove the conditional expression, delete the text in the **Expression** field.

EXAMPLES:

To...	Enter the expression...
Add a Text Toggle control that will determine a filter status and show the word Clean in green or Dirty in red	<code>((filter/present_value\$==true)?#FF0000:#00FF00')</code>
Add a Static Text control that displays red text to indicate an alarm or white text to indicate a normal condition	<code>((alarm/present_value\$==true)?#FF0000:#FFFFFF')</code>

To set a control to enable/disable

You can enter a conditional expression that determines whether the i-Vu® interface enables or disables a control based on another control's microblock property value.

- 1 Select the control that you want to enable/disable.
- 2 Click  on the toolbar.
- 3 Enter the expression. See *Conditional expressions* (page 82) and example below.
- 4 Select **Enable When True or False**.
- 5 Click **OK**.

NOTE To remove the conditional expression, delete the text in the **Expression** field.

EXAMPLE:

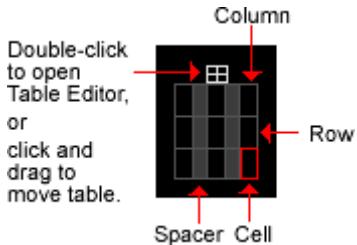
To...	Enter the expression...
Add an editable Number control after <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lock value at: that will be enabled only when an operator clicks the checkbox	\$m006/locked\$==true and select Enable when True to enable when true.

**TIPS**

- You can simultaneously set multiple controls to enable/disable using the same conditional expression. Each of the controls must have enable/disable capability. Select the controls, then click .
- You can use *local variables in conditional expression* (page 88) to enable/disable objects.

Working with tables on a graphic

You can add a table to a graphic and then add controls or images in the table cells. The table maintains the alignment of the objects in the cells.



To add a table

- 1 Click the **Add Control** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select the **Table** control.
- 3 Click in the workspace where you want to add the table.
- 4 Do one of the following:
Select **Pre-Defined Table**, then select the style you want to add.
Select **Custom Table**, then enter the initial number of rows and columns. You can add or delete rows later in the *Table Editor* (page 32).
- 5 Click **OK**.

To add text to a table

Do one of the following:

- Add a static text control in a table cell.
- Double-click a table cell, then type the text.

Optional: Double-click the table icon at the top of the table to open the **Table Editor**, then align the text.

To add a control to a table cell

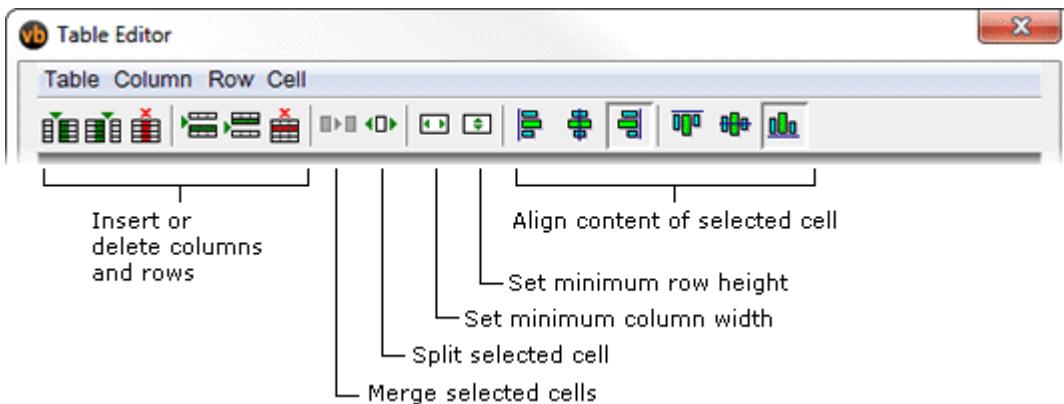
- 1 Click the control in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Click the cell where you want to add the control.
- 3 Enter the control's properties.

NOTE You can add multiple objects to a table cell, then click and drag an object to rearrange them.



TIP To prevent a table from overlapping nearby objects as its content expands in the i-Vu® interface, set preview text or expected digits for each control in the table to be as wide as the widest value the i-Vu® interface might display. Then position your table. Or, set a minimum row height or a minimum column width in the Table Editor.

Using the Table Editor



Use this menu command...	To...
Table	Align the table. A table can expand or shrink in the i-Vu® interface based on the values in its cells. You can align a table so that the left, right, or center of the table remains in a fixed position, regardless of the cell contents.
Table > Table Attributes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Set a fill colorSet a border thickness, color, and style <p> TIP To create padding between the contents of a squared table and the edges of the table:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Set Border Thickness to the padding depth that you want.2 Set Border Color and Background Fill Color to the same color.
Table > Use Automatic Column Spacers	Maintain a fixed amount of unused space between each column. <p> TIP To increase or decrease the amount of space, turn off this option, add a column as a spacer, then set a minimum column width.</p>
Row > Show/Hide	Show or hide the selected row in the i-Vu® interface based on the value of a microblock property. See <i>Setting objects on a graphic to show/hide in the i-Vu® interface</i> (page 57).
Cell > Cell Attributes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Align the cell contentsWrap textSet a fill colorSet a border thickness and color

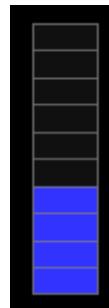
Working with gauges on a graphic

ViewBuilder has two controls that let you create angular and linear gauges.

Angular gauge



Linear gauge



See:

[To add an Angular gauge to a graphic \(page 33\)](#)

[Examples of Angular Gauges \(page 36\)](#)

[To add a Linear Gauge to a graphic \(page 41\)](#)

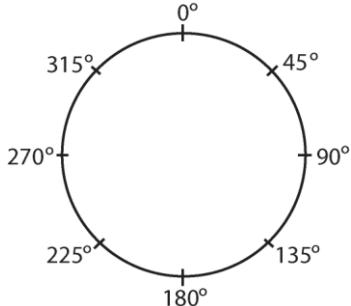
[Examples of Linear Gauges \(page 42\)](#)

To add an Angular gauge to a graphic

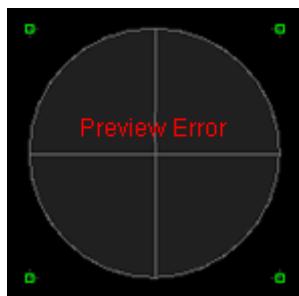
- 1 Click the **Add Control** tab in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select the **Angular Gauge** control.
- 3 Click in the workspace where you want to add the gauge.
- 4 Define the following information for the gauge in the **Properties** window.

Field	Notes
General	
Size	Type the width and then press Enter , or drag the gauge's corners to resize it.
Reverse Direction	Check to reverse: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The direction that the bar grows• The direction the needle moves• The labels
Minimum and Maximum	To define the range that the gauge is to display, you can enter: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Absolute values, or• Expressions. For example: \$#io_menu/ai/min_pres_value\$ \$#io_menu/ai/max_pres_value\$

Field	Notes
Tick Increment	If you have Ticks checked under Display Options , enter one of the following to define the number of units between each tick. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An absolute value, or • An expression. For example: \$\#io_menu/ai/max_pres_value\$ / 10 (meaning divide maximum value by 10)
Display Options	Check the items that you want the gauge to show. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you checked Show Numbers, select the Number Orientation. • For any other item that you checked, click its color box to select a color. • Text Style—Select Automatic to let the gauge determine the font, size, and color of the numbers. To create a different style, select Custom, and then click A on the toolbar to choose your options. <p>NOTE  beside the Needle or Bar colors indicates that you can create a <i>variable color expression</i> (page 48) that changes the color of that item based on the control's value.</p>
Advanced	
Bar Thickness %	Enter a number between 1 and 100. This setting affects the bar, bar background, and color band thickness. Examples:
40%	
100%	

Field	Notes
Gauge Angles	<p>Select the layout that best represents the gauge you want, or enter Start and End values. You can use the image below to pick a Start value, then add the number of degrees that you want the gauge to span to get the End value.</p>  <p>For example, if you enter 270 as the Start value and you want the gauge to be a half circle, add 270 + 180. The End value is 450.</p> <p>NOTES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum End value is 720. • End value must be greater than Start value. • From Start to End value is clockwise. <p> TIP You can pick a layout similar to the one you want and then tweak the Start and End values to achieve a custom layout.</p>
Use Background Color Bands	<p>Check to have the gauge show multiple colors, each color representing a range of values. Select whether you want each color band to be based on specific values or percentages.</p> <p>Click  to define the Start-Stop values and color for each color band.</p> <p>NOTE Click  to remove a color.</p>

NOTE If an angular gauge in the ViewBuilder workspace shows **Preview Error**, this indicates an internal error has occurred in ViewBuilder. The control's properties are still valid, and the graphic will display correctly in a running system. To remove the error in ViewBuilder, save the graphic, and then restart ViewBuilder.



Examples of Angular Gauges

Below are examples of angular gauge variations that can be created with ViewBuilder tools and images created in a graphics program.

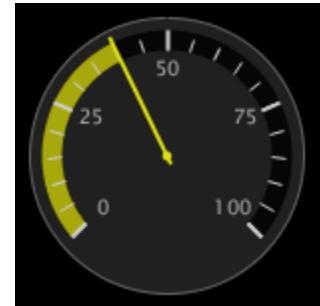
Gradient bar color

EXAMPLE 1



This gradient color effect is achieved by placing a semi-transparent gradient image on top of the basic gauge.

1. Place an angular gauge in ViewBuilder's workspace, and:
 - Set the **Tick Increment** to **5**.
 - Set the **Number Orientation** to **Radial**.
 - Keep the remaining default settings.



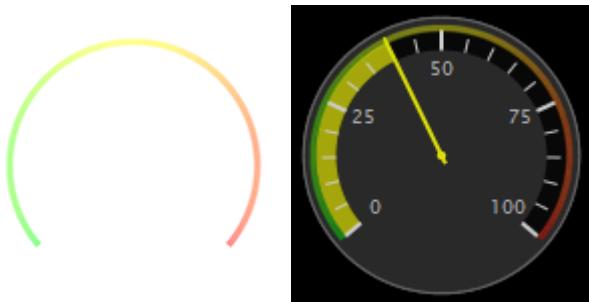
2. In a graphics program, create a semi-transparent gradient image the same size as the bar.



3. Place the image on top of the gauge. The bar should show through the transparent gradient.

EXAMPLE 2

You can use a thinner overlay so that the gradient and bar color show.

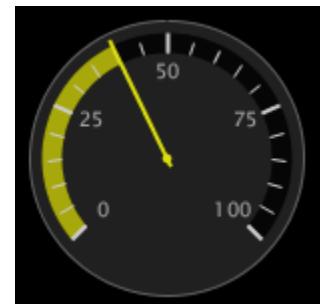


Overlays

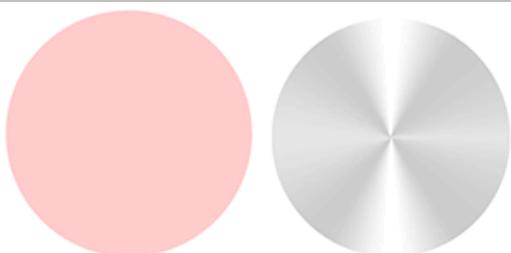


The gauges above are achieved by overlaying a semi-transparent image over the basic gauge.

1. Place an angular gauge in ViewBuilder's workspace.



2. In a graphics program, create a semi-transparent image the same size as the gauge.

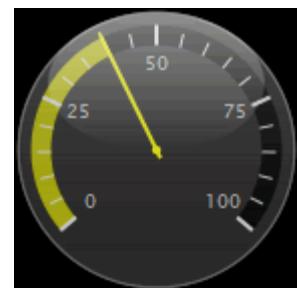
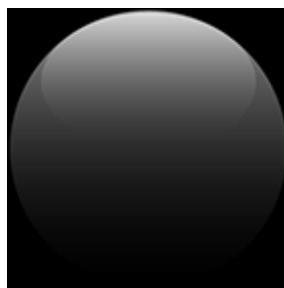


3. Place the image on top of the gauge. The gauge should show through the transparent gradient.

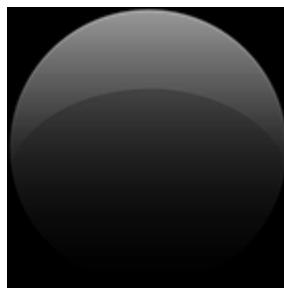
Glass lens effects

You can use the overlays shown below to create different lighting effects.

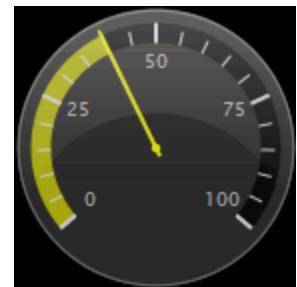
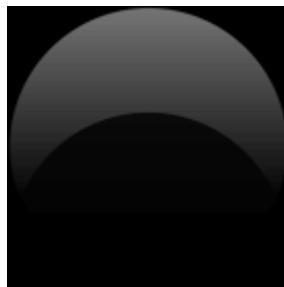
Bubble



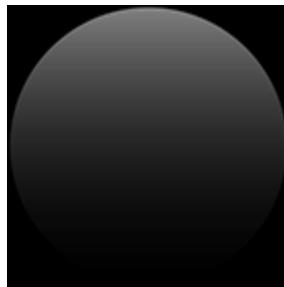
Crescent 1



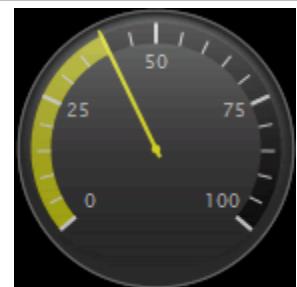
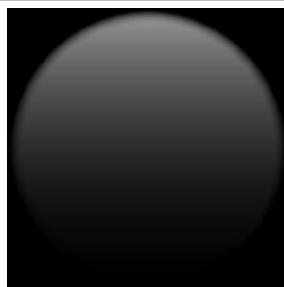
Crescent 2



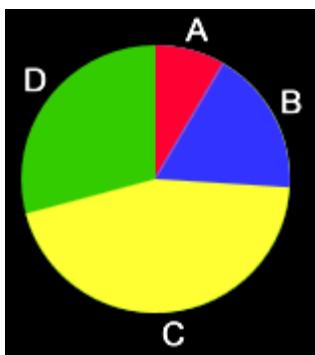
Flat lens



Raised lens

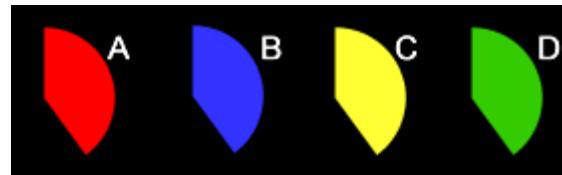


Pie chart

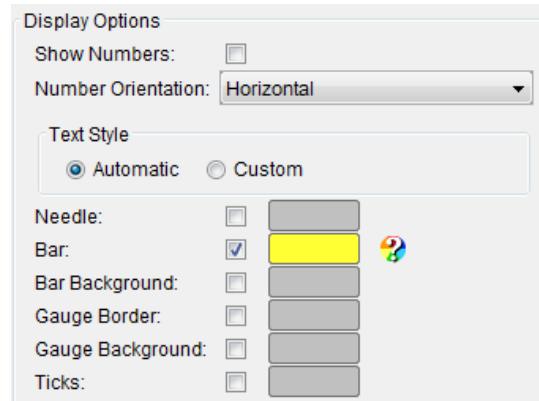


The above pie chart is achieved by placing 4 angular gauges on top of each other, one gauge for each value that you want to show.

1. Add 4 angular gauges of the same size to ViewBuilder's workspace.



2. Turn off all **Display Options** except the **Bar**, and give each gauge a different bar color.

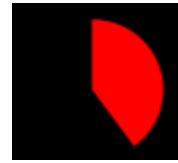


3. On the **Properties > General** tab, enter the following in the Microblock Path field for each gauge:

Gauge	Microblock Path
A	\$refname1/present_value\$
B	\$refname2/present_value\$
C	\$refname3/present_value\$
D	\$refname4/present_value\$

4. On the **Properties > Advanced** tab:
 - Set each gauge's **Bar Width** to 100%
 - Set the **Start** field to 0 and the **End** field to 360 so that the gauge is a complete circle.

5. Place the gauges on top of each other, align them horizontally and vertically, and then group them.



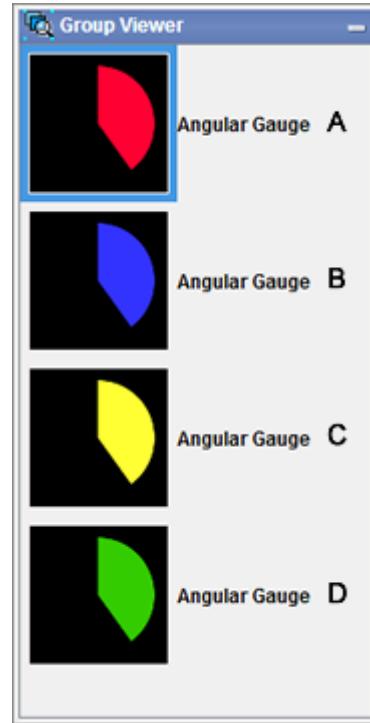
6. Select the group, then open the Group Viewer.

7. Select the first gauge in the Group Viewer and enter the following in the Minimum and Maximum fields on the **Properties > General** tab:

Minimum: 0

Maximum: \$refname1/present_value\$==0?1:(\$refname1/present_value\$+\$refname2/present_value\$+\$refname3/present_value\$+\$refname4/present_value\$)

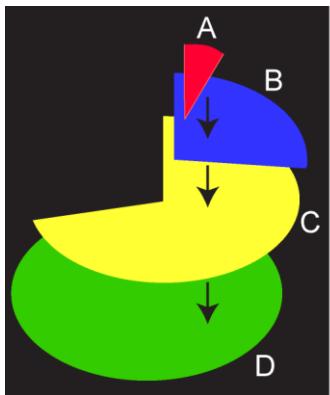
Repeat this step for the other 3 gauges, replacing the red text with the appropriate expression for each gauge. For example, for gauge B, you would enter \$refname2/present_value\$==0?1:(\$refname1/present_value\$+\$refname2/present_value\$+\$refname3/present_value\$+\$refname4/present_value\$)



8. Add a mathematical expression to the **Microblock Path** field that will calculate what percentage of the circle each gauge will fill.

Gauge	Microblock Path	Adds...
A	\$refname1/present_value\$==0?0:\$refname1/present_value\$	A only
B	\$refname2/present_value\$==0?0:\$refname1/present_value\$+\$refname2/present_value\$	A + B
C	\$refname3/present_value\$==0?0:\$refname1/present_value\$+\$refname2/present_value\$+\$refname3/present_value\$	A + B + C
D	\$refname4/present_value\$==0?0:\$refname1/present_value\$+\$refname2/present_value\$+\$refname3/present_value\$+\$refname4/present_value\$	A + B + C + D

The image below shows how the gauges overlay each other.



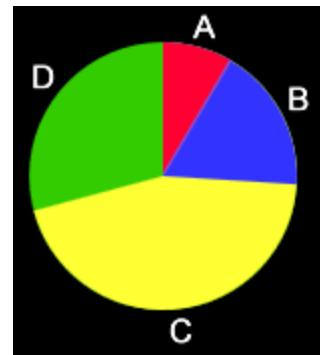
$$A = A$$

$$B = A + B$$

$$C = A + B + C$$

$$D = A + B + C + D$$

The actual result in i-Vu® will look like this.



To add a Linear Gauge to a graphic

- 1 Click the **Add Control** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select the **Linear Gauge** control.
- 3 Click in the workspace where you want to add the gauge.
- 4 Define the following information for the gauge in the **Properties** window.

Field	Notes
General	
Display Orientation	Select Horizontal or Vertical .
Reverse Direction	Check to reverse the direction that the bar grows.
Size	Type the desired width and height, or drag the gauge's corners to resize it.
Minimum and Maximum	To define the range that the gauge is to display, you can enter: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Absolute values, or• Expressions. For example: \$#io_menu/ai/min_pres_value\$ \$#io_menu/ai/max_pres_value\$ NOTE ViewBuilder shows only an absolute value. Check your graphic in the i-Vu® interface to see the results of entering an expression.
 TIP	Use the Static Text control to add labels at each end of the gauge.

Field	Notes
Tick Increment	If you have Ticks checked under Display Options , enter one of the following to define the number of units between each tick. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An absolute value, or • An expression. For example: <code>#\$io_menu/ai/max_pres_value\$ / 10</code> (meaning divide maximum value by 10) NOTE ViewBuilder shows only an absolute value. Check your graphic in the i-Vu® interface to see the results of entering an expression.
Display Options	Check Bar , Gauge Border , Gauge Background , or Ticks to show that item, then click the color box to select a color. NOTE  beside the Bar color indicates that you can create a <i>variable color expression</i> (page 48) that changes the color of the bar based on the control's value.
Advanced	
Bar Thickness %	Enter a number between 1 and 100. Less than 100% reduces the bar and color bands within the gauge. For example, 20% would show the following in ViewBuilder:
Use Background Color Bands	Check to have the gauge show multiple colors, each color representing a range of values. Select whether you want each color band to be based on specific values or percentages. Click  to define the Start/Stop values and color for each color band. NOTE Click  to remove a color.

Examples of Linear Gauges

Below are examples of linear gauges that can be created with ViewBuilder tools and images created in a graphics program.

Gradient gauge



This gradient color effect is achieved by overlaying a semi-transparent gradient image over the basic gauge.

1. Place a linear gauge in ViewBuilder's workspace.



2. In a graphics program, create a semi-transparent gradient image (the example above is 40% visible) with the same dimensions as the gauge.



3. Place the image on top of the gauge. The gauge should show through the transparent gradient.

Fuel gauge



This gauge is achieved by placing a triangular mask over the gauge.

1. Place a linear gauge in ViewBuilder's workspace and set its bar color to white and border color to gray



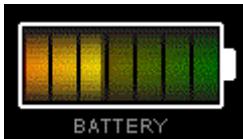
2. In a graphics program, create a black triangle and make the background transparent.



3. Place the mask on top of the gauge in ViewBuilder. Resize the mask so that it is just inside the gauge's borders.

4. Add Static Text controls for E and F.

Battery meter



This gauge is achieved by drawing basic shapes in ViewBuilder and overlaying several images.

1. Draw the battery shape in ViewBuilder, and add a Static Text control below it.



2. Place a linear gauge on top of the battery drawing and resize it to match the battery shape.



3. In a graphics program, create a semi-transparent gradient image (the example above is 40% visible). Place it on top of the linear gauge, and resize it to match the battery shape.



4. In a graphics program, create a semi-transparent hollow image. Place it on top of the gradient image, and resize it to match the battery shape.

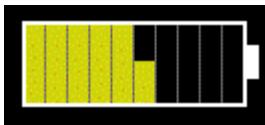


5. Draw an outline the size of the battery and add vertical lines. Place it on top of the hollow image.



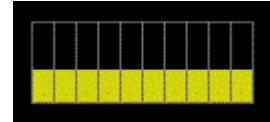
TIP Add a variable color statement to the linear gauge so the battery goes red if it is below 20%, yellow if it is below 50%, and green if it is over 50%.

Advanced battery meter

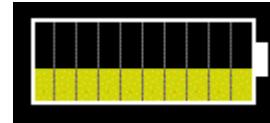


This meter is ten vertical gauges inside a battery outline. All point to the same value, but represent different ranges of the value.

1. Place a vertical linear gauge in ViewBuilder's workspace, and then set its properties. Make 10 copies of the control and place them side-by-side.



2. Draw a white rectangle to cover the border of the gauges, and draw a second rectangle to act as the battery terminal.



3. Set the Minimum and Maximum values for the first gauge on the left to 0 to 10, the next gauge's Minimum and Maximum to 11 to 20, and so on. The last gauge will be 91 to 100.

Small battery meter



This small battery gauge is achieved by drawing shapes and using variable color expressions.

1. Place a linear gauge in ViewBuilder's workspace, set its orientation to vertical, and its size to 12 x 25.

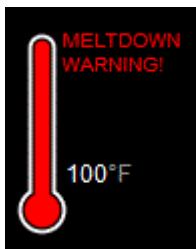


2. Draw a white rectangle large enough to have 1 pixel of black between the rectangle and the gauge. Draw a second rectangle to act as the battery terminal.



3. Add a number control for the value and a static text control for %.

Thermometer



This thermometer is achieved by placing a mask over a vertical gauge, and using variable color and show/hide expressions.

1. Place a linear gauge in ViewBuilder's workspace, set its orientation to vertical, and its size to 25 x 100.

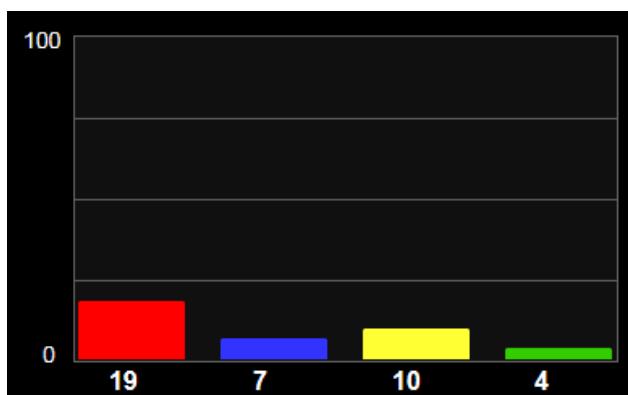


2. Create a mask in a graphics program.



3. Place it on top of the gauge in ViewBuilder.
4. Add a number control for the value and a static text control for %.
5. Select the linear gauge and add the following variable color expression to turn the gauge red when it reaches 80 degrees:
`$ai/present_value$>80?#FF0000:#FFFFFF`
6. Add the static text "MELTDOWN WARNING!", and then define the following show/hide expression to show it at 90 degrees:
`$ai/present_value$>90`

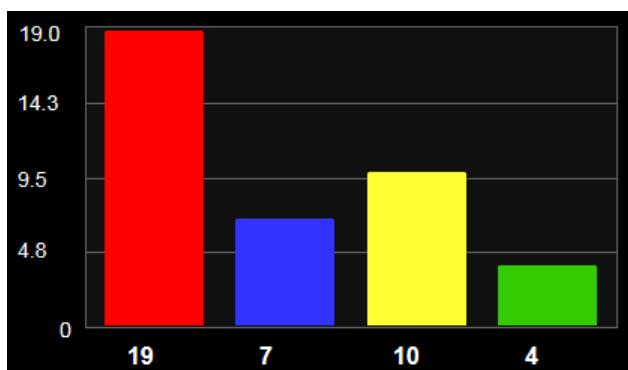
Bar graph with a fixed maximum value



This bar chart is achieved by placing individual vertical linear gauges on a background that you draw in ViewBuilder. Each gauge has a maximum value of 100.

Bar graph with a calculated maximum value

The bar chart below shows the same values as the one above, but the maximum value is calculated.



1. Use a linear gauge to create the X axis, Y axis, and ticks.
 - On the **Properties > General** tab, give the gauge any valid Microblock Path. This will not be used.
 - Enter the following:

Minimum: 0

Maximum:

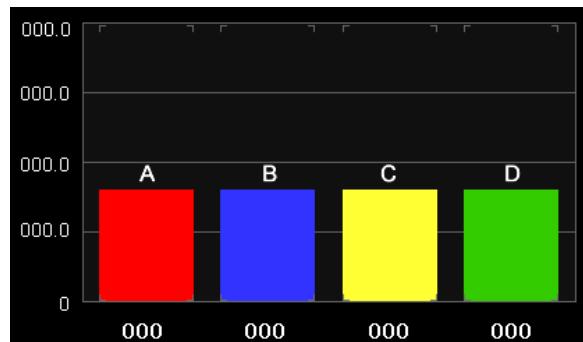
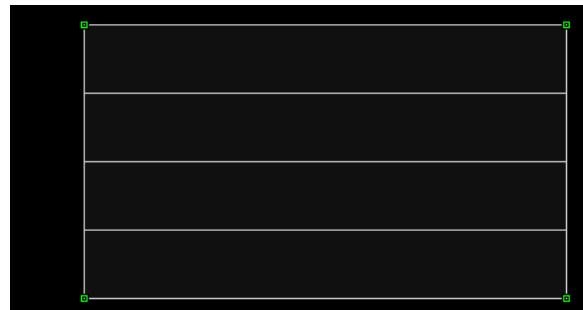
`Math.max($refname1/present_value$,
$refname2/present_value$,
$refname3/present_value$,
$refname4/present_value$)`

Tick Increment:

`Math.max($refname1/present_value$,
$refname2/present_value$, $refname3/
present_value$, $refname4/
present_value$)/4`

- Under **Display Options**, check only **Gauge Border** and **Ticks**, and give them a color.

2. Place 4 linear gauges on the background in ViewBuilder's workspace, and set each gauge's orientation to vertical.
3. Add Number controls for the X and Y axis values. Use a Static Text control for 0.
4. For both the linear gauges and the Number controls below each gauge, enter the following in their **Microblock Path** field:



Gauge	Microblock Path
A	<code>\$refname1/present_value\$</code>
B	<code>\$refname2/present_value\$</code>
C	<code>\$refname3/present_value\$</code>
D	<code>\$refname4/present_value\$</code>

5. For each gauge, set the Minimum field to 0 and the Maximum field to the following:

Gauge	Maximum
A	<code>\$refname1/present_value\$==0?1:Math.max(\$refname1/present_value\$, \$refname2/present_value\$,\$refname3/present_value\$,\$refname4/present_value\$)</code>
B	<code>\$refname2/present_value\$==0?1:Math.max(\$refname1/present_value\$, \$refname2/present_value\$,\$refname3/present_value\$,\$refname4/present_value\$)</code>
C	<code>\$refname3/present_value\$==0?1:Math.max(\$refname1/present_value\$, \$refname2/present_value\$,\$refname3/present_value\$,\$refname4/present_value\$)</code>
D	<code>\$refname4/present_value\$==0?1:Math.max(\$refname1/present_value\$, \$refname2/present_value\$,\$refname3/present_value\$,\$refname4/present_value\$)</code>

6. Starting at the top of the Number controls on the Y-axis, enter the following in their **Microblock Path** field:

1st	<code>Math.max(\$refname1/present_value\$,\$refname2/present_value\$, \$refname3/present_value\$,\$refname4/present_value\$)</code>	
2nd	<code>Math.max(\$refname1/present_value\$,\$refname2/present_value\$, \$refname3/present_value\$,\$refname4/present_value\$)/4*3</code>	
3rd	<code>Math.max(\$refname1/present_value\$,\$refname2/present_value\$, \$refname3/present_value\$,\$refname4/present_value\$)/4)*2</code>	
4th	<code>Math.max(\$refname1/present_value\$,\$refname2/present_value\$, \$refname3/present_value\$,\$refname4/present_value\$)/4</code>	

To use variable color expressions for gauges

You can use variable color expressions to change the color of the following items based on microblock property values:

- Linear gauge's bar
- Angular gauge's bar or needle

- 1 Select the gauge.
- 2 Click  on the toolbar.
- 3 Enter the expression. See *Conditional expressions* (page 82) and examples below.

NOTE Click a color in the **Color Insertion Tool** to add its hexadecimal value in the expression.

4 Click **OK**.

NOTE To remove the conditional expression, delete the text in the **Expression** field.

EXAMPLE:

To...	Enter the expression...
Add a linear gauge that will display green if the microblock property's value is from 0 to 24, yellow if 25 to 49, orange if 50 to 74, red if greater than 75, or red if less than 0.	<pre>\$damper/present_value\$>=0 ? (\$damper/present_value\$<25 ? '#00FF00': (\$damper/present_value\$<50 ? '#FFFF00': (\$damper/present_value\$<75 ? '#FF8800' : '#FF0000')))</pre>

Working with symbols on a graphic

Symbols are commonly used combinations of images, controls, and text that have been preconfigured and grouped. You can create your own symbols.

See *To edit an object in a group* (page 50).

To add a symbol to your graphic

- 1 Click the **Add Symbol** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 In the **Look In** field, browse to the folder that contains the symbol you want.
 **TIP** Click one of the five buttons at the left of the file list to jump to a location quickly. Hold the cursor over a button to see its destination. Click the last button to jump to the symbol library.
- 3 Select the symbol and then click in the workspace where you want to add the symbol.
 **TIP** You can also double-click a symbol's name in the **Tools** window to add it to the workspace.
- 4 In the **Control Properties** window, edit properties as needed for the individual controls in the symbol.
 **TIP** To add a symbol multiple times, select the symbol, then Shift+click the workspace for each symbol.

To create a symbol in ViewBuilder

- 1 In ViewBuilder, click , then select **Area**.
- 2 Add the objects to the workspace that you want to include in your symbol.
- 3 Enter control properties, if needed.
- 4 Select **File > Save As**.
- 5 In the **Files of type** field, select **Symbol (*.viewsymbol)**.
- 6 Type a **File name**, then click **Save**.



TIP When adding a symbol you created, double-click the symbol in the **Tools** window to have it added at the same location in the workspace that it was in when you created it.

Working with grouped objects

You can group objects so that you can handle them as if they were one object.

A **symbol** (page 49) is a collection of grouped objects.

To group objects

Select the objects in the workspace, and then use the right-click **Group** menu command or the **Group** option on the  tab in the Tools window.

NOTES

- You can add a group to another group.
- To ungroup objects, select the group, and then use the right-click **Ungroup** menu or the **Ungroup** option in the Tools window.

To edit an object in a group

You can edit an object in a group without ungrouping it.

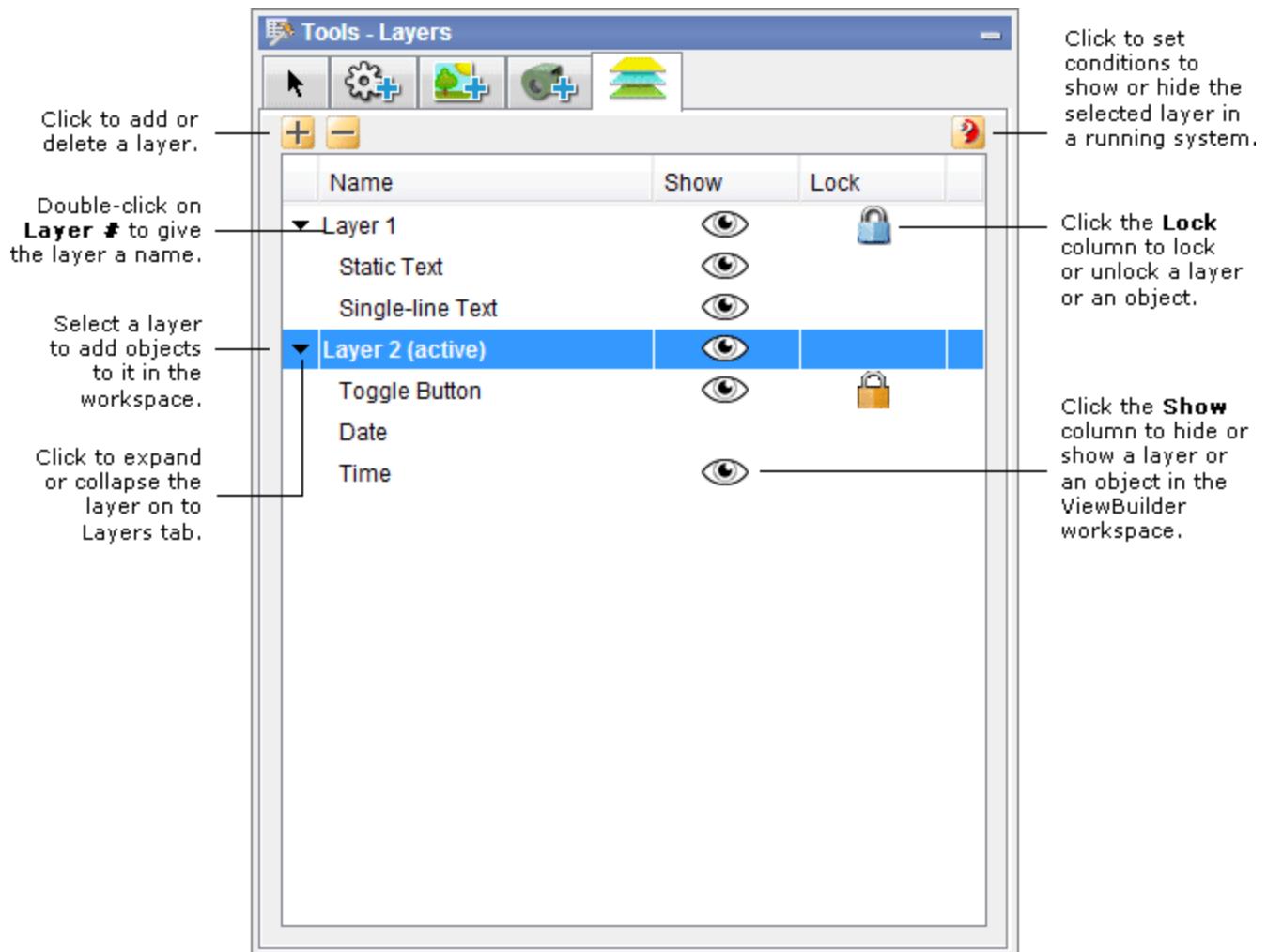
- 1 Select the group in the workspace.
- 2 Click  on the toolbar to open the **Group Viewer** window that shows the group's objects in the same order (top to bottom) as they are in the group in the workspace.
- 3 Select an object in the **Group Viewer** window. This will select it in the workspace and display its attributes in the **Properties** window so that you can edit them.

NOTE If you change something that affects the appearance of the object, the **Group Viewer** window will update the image for that object.

Working with layers on a graphic

You can create a graphic with multiple layers. By adding objects to different layers, you can:

- Turn off a layer in ViewBuilder to simplify the workspace.
- Lock a layer so that its objects cannot be edited or moved.
- Show or hide a layer's objects in the i-Vu® interface based on a single microblock's value.



NOTES

- Locked items cannot be edited or moved.
- To move an object to a different layer, right-click the object, and then select **Move To Layer**. The status bar at the bottom of the ViewBuilder window shows the layer of the selected object, the one with the green handles.
- If you attempt to delete a layer that contains objects, ViewBuilder will ask you which layer you want to merge the objects into.
- Layers are preserved when importing a .viewsymbol.
- If cutting/copying a selection assigned to layers, you must hold Shift while pasting in a new file to preserve layer assignments.

To show/hide a layer in the i-Vu® interface

If you have multiple items on a graphic that you need to show or hide based on a single microblock's value or on a *local variable* (page 88), you can place all of those items on a layer and then define a show/hide condition for the layer.



- 1 Select the layer on the **Layers** tab in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Click on the **Layers** tab.
- 3 Enter a conditional expression. See *Conditional expressions* (page 82).
- 4 Select **Show When True** or **False**.
- 5 Click **OK**.

NOTE To remove the conditional expression, delete the text in the **Expression** field.

EXAMPLE	Expression example
You may want to reuse a graphic with reheat for multiple locations in your system, but one of the locations does not support reheat. To hide the reheat objects at that location, you would put those objects on a separate layer in your graphic and then enter a Show/Hide conditional expression for the layer.	<code>??hw_valve??</code> and select Show when True

Drawing lines and shapes on a graphic

ViewBuilder's drawing tools let you draw vector lines and shapes. These tools are on the  tab in the **Tools** window.

To define drawing attributes

On the  tab, set the following **Default Attributes** that ViewBuilder will use for each new line or shape. After you draw the line or shape, you can change its attributes in the **Control Properties** window.

Check any of the following:

- **Line Thickness** if drawing a line or giving a shape a border.
Select the thickness and **Line Color**.
- **Background Fill Color** to fill a shape with a color.
Select the color.
- **Fill Pattern** to fill a shape with a pattern.
Select the pattern.
The **Background Fill Color** is the pattern's first color. Select a **Fill Pattern Color** as the second color.

To draw a line

1 Select .

2 Click in the workspace, but do not release the left mouse button. Drag the cursor to draw.

NOTE Hold down the **Ctrl** key as you draw to restrict the line to vertical or horizontal.

3 Optional: To add a line segment: While still holding the left mouse button, click and release the right mouse button, then drag in a new direction.

4 Release the left mouse button to complete the drawing.

5 If needed, change the line's *attributes* (page 53) in the **Control Properties** window.

To draw a polygon

- 1 Select .
- 2 Click in the workspace, but do not release the left mouse button. Drag the cursor to draw the first side of the polygon.
- 3 While still holding the left mouse button, click and release the right mouse button, then drag in a new direction to draw the next side of the polygon.

NOTE Hold down the **Ctrl** key as you draw to restrict angles to right angles.

- 4 Repeat step 3 as many times as needed.
- 5 Release the left mouse button to complete the shape.
- 6 If needed, change the shape's *attributes* (page 53) in the **Control Properties** window.

To draw a rectangle, square, ellipse, or circle

- 1 Select  to draw a rectangle or square, or select  to draw an ellipse or circle.
- 2 Click in the workspace, but do not release the left mouse button. Drag the cursor to draw.

NOTE Hold down the **Ctrl** key as you draw to form a square or circle.

- 3 Release the left mouse button to complete the shape.
- 4 If needed, change the shape's *attributes* (page 53) in the **Control Properties** window.

To resize or reshape a drawing

- 1 Select the line or shape in the workspace.
- 2 Double-click the shape, or click **Edit Drawing** button in the **Control Properties** window. The drawing's points change from  to .
- 3 Edit the line or shape.
 - o To resize a rectangle, square, ellipse, or circle, click a corner point and drag it.
NOTE To maintain a circle or square, hold down **Ctrl** while dragging.
 - o To reshape a line or polygon:
 - To move a point, click it and drag it.
 - To delete a point, right-click it.
 - To add a point, move the cursor on top of a line or border until the cursor changes to +, then right-click.
- NOTE** You can press **Esc** to remove your edits.
- 4 Left-click in the workspace to save edits.

Adding links to a graphic

You can link images and some controls to other pages in the i-Vu® interface or to the Internet.

To add a link

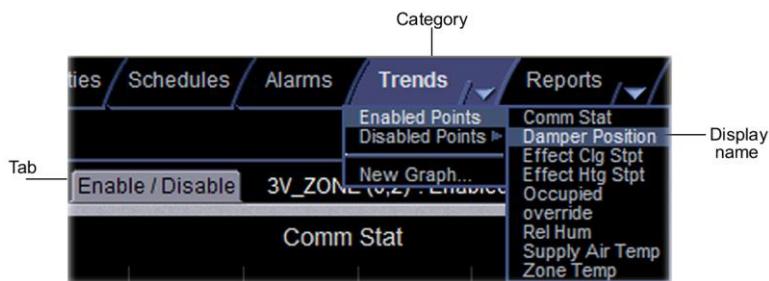
- 1 Select the object that is to be a link.

NOTE You can select multiple objects to link them to the same destination. The objects must all have linking capability.

- 2 Click  on the toolbar.
- 3 Enter the requested information. See table below.
- 4 Click **OK**.

NOTE To remove the link from the control, delete the text in the **Link** field.

Field	Notes
General tab	
Link	Enter one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The <i>path</i> (page 76) to an item on the navigation tree• A URL to link to an Internet web page• The path to an external file. See <i>To add a link to an external file</i> (page 56).• An * if you are linking from one graphic to another graphic for the same tree item
Scope	Select: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• system to link to another page in the i-Vu® interface• external to link to a URL address or an external file. An external link opens in a separate window.
Action Button	Choose the action button to be selected when the operator clicks the link.
Advanced tab	Enter the reference name for the Tab and Category that the i-Vu® interface will display when the operator clicks the link. To find these names, go to the location in the i-Vu® interface that you want to link to and use the <code>whereami</code> manual command. See “Manual Commands” in i-Vu® Help.



If the location that you want to link to does not have categories, type `default` in the **Category** field.

Field	Notes
Instance	If you are linking to a graphic and the tree item has more than one graphic, type the name of the .view file that you want the i-Vu® interface to display, omitting the .view file extension. For example, second_floor_1801.
Type	<p>Navigation—links to an item on the navigation tree.</p> <p>Source—links to heat or cool source.</p> <p>Interactive-popup—opens a pop-up window such as a microblock pop-up.</p>
Underline Link	Check to underline the link. Uncheck to remove the underline.

To add a link to an external file

i-Vu® Pro application only:

You can add a link that opens an external file such as a PDF or an XLS spreadsheet. External links open in a separate window.

- 1 Put the file you want to link to in the **webroot\<system_name>\linked_resources** folder.
- 2 In ViewBuilder, select the object you want to be a link.
- 3 Click  on the toolbar.
- 4 In the **Link** field, type: `\%system\linked_resources\<file name>`
For example, `\%system\linked_resources\ac12.pdf`
NOTE This field is case-sensitive and requires the file extension (.pdf in the example).
- 5 In the **Scope** field, select **external**.
- 6 Click **OK**.

To add a link to a i-Vu® add-on

You can add a link that opens a i-Vu® add-on application such as Tenant Override Billing.

- 1 Select the object that is to be a link.
- 2 Select **Edit > Add-on Link**.
- 3 Enter the requested information. See table below.
- 4 Click **OK**.

Field	Notes
Link	Type the part of the add-on's web browser address that follows the i-Vu® server's address. For example, if the add-on's web browser address is <code>http://172.16.2.163/TenantOverrideBilling</code> , type <code>/TenantOverrideBilling</code> in the Link field.
Open In	Select Current Window to have the add-on replace the i-Vu® interface in the web browser, or select New Window to open a new web browser window.
Underline Link	Select to underline the linking object in the graphic.

Setting objects on a graphic to show/hide in the i-Vu® interface

You can set images, most controls, and table rows on a graphic to show or hide in the i-Vu® interface based on the value of a microblock property.



TIPS

- To show/hide multiple objects based on a single microblock value, add the objects to a layer. See *To show/hide a layer in the i-Vu® interface* (page 52).
- You can use *local variables* (page 88) in conditional expressions to show/hide objects.

To set an image or control to show/hide

- 1 Select the image or control.
- 2 Click  on the toolbar.
- 3 Enter a conditional expression. See *Conditional expressions* (page 82) and examples below.
- 4 Select **Show When True or False**.
- 5 Click **OK**.

NOTE To remove the conditional expression, delete the text in the **Expression** field.

EXAMPLES:

To...	Enter the expression...
Add a Static Text control that shows "freezestat" when freezestat is in alarm	\$air_flow/full_open\$==true and select Show when True
Add a Toggle Button control that shows an alarm reset button (up and down image) only when an alarm occurs	\$alarm/present_value\$==true and select Show when True
Add a hot water valve image to an AHU graphic that appears only if the associated control program has a microblock called hw_valve	??hw_valve?? and select Show when True

**TIPS**

- If you do not see an object when you test your graphic in the i-Vu® interface, look for the show/hide icon to the left of the object in ViewBuilder. This icon helps you quickly determine that the object is hidden, not missing.
- To simultaneously set multiple objects to show/hide using the same conditional expression, select the objects, then click .

NOTE Each of the objects must have show/hide capability.

To set a table row to show/hide

- 1 Open the **Table Editor**. See *Working with tables* (page 30).
- 2 Click in the row.
- 3 Select **Row > Show/Hide**.
- 4 Enter a conditional expression. See *Conditional expressions* (page 82).
- 5 Select the **Show** or **Hide when True** option.
- 6 Click **OK**.

NOTE To remove the conditional expression, delete the text in the **Expression** field.

Finding and replacing text

You can search for every instance of specific text that you entered in expressions and control properties. You can then replace selected instances with other text.

- 1 Select **Edit > Find/Replace**.
- 2 Type the word or phrase in the **Find What** field, or click the drop-down arrow to select from text recently entered in this field.
- 3 Click **Find**.
- 4 Select which **Found Items** you want to change.
- 5 Enter the replacement text in the **Replace With** field.
- 6 Click **Replace**.

Editing an image in a graphic

- 1 Edit the original image (.gif, .png, or .jpg) in a graphics program.

NOTE If you do not have the original image, follow the procedure below in “To export an image”.

- 2 If the image in your graphic has no functionality in ViewBuilder, such as show/hide or linking, delete the image, then add the revised image.

To export an image

To export an image from your .view file:

- 1 Right-click the image in the workspace, select **Export Image**,
- 2 Save the file in any folder.

Creating a data table, chart, or color map from a i-Vu® report

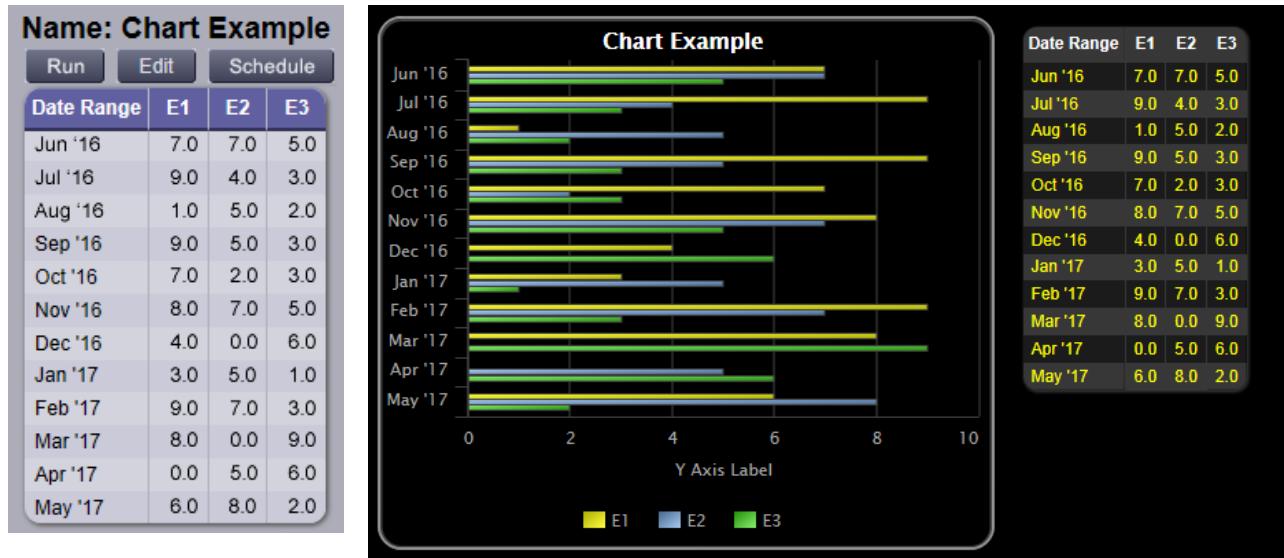
This feature is only available for the i-Vu® Pro application.

A i-Vu® custom report can be the data source for the following items on a Graphics page:

- A data table
- A value
- A chart
- A color map

For example, this report...

...supplies data to the chart and data table on this graphic

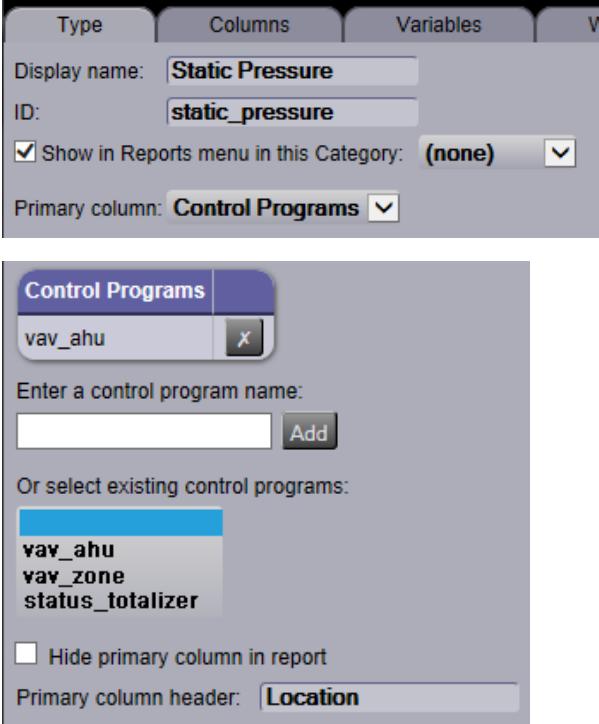


To produce a data table

To produce a data table like the example below, first create the report in the i-Vu® interface and then create the corresponding graphic in ViewBuilder.

Static Pressure				
Equipment	Static Pressure	Static Pressure Setpoint	Pressure Status	
VAV AHU 1	1.2	1.5		
VAV AHU 2	1.7	1.5		
VAV AHU 3	0.5	1.5		

To create the report in the i-Vu® interface

Instructions	Example
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Click the Reports drop-down arrow, and then select Report Manager.2. Click Add.3. On the Report Editor's Type tab, type a Display name and ID for the report.4. In the Primary column field, select the type of information that you want the report to be based on (Control Programs in this example).5. On the Type tab, enter the criteria for the option that you selected in step 4.6. In the Primary column header field, enter the heading that you want for that column (Equipment in this example).	

Instructions

7. Define each column in the report on the Columns tab. See the examples on the right.
8. Define any other information you may want, and then click **Accept**.

Example

Type	Columns	Variables	Where	Options
Type	Path	Path	Expression	Expression
Display Name	Static Pressure	Static Pressure Setpoint	Difference	Pressure Status
ID	static_pressure	static_pressure_setpoint	static_delta	status

Add Copy Delete ()

Display name:

ID:

Render data as:

Column format: Align: Width: Digits:

Column data is from:

Path:

Show value as text?

Type	Columns	Variables	Where	Options
Type	Path	Path	Expression	Expression
Display Name	Static Pressure	Static Pressure Setpoint	Difference	Pressure Status
ID	static_pressure	static_pressure_setpoint	static_delta	status

Add Copy Delete ()

Display name:

ID:

Render data as:

Column format: Align: Width: Digits:

Column data is from:

Path:

Show value as text?

Type	Columns	Variables	Where	Options
Type	Path	Path	Expression	Expression
Display Name	Static Pressure	Static Pressure Setpoint	Difference	Pressure Status
ID	static_pressure	static_pressure_setpoint	static_delta	status

Add Copy Delete ()

Display name:

ID:

Render data as:

Column data is from:

Expression:

Instructions**Example**

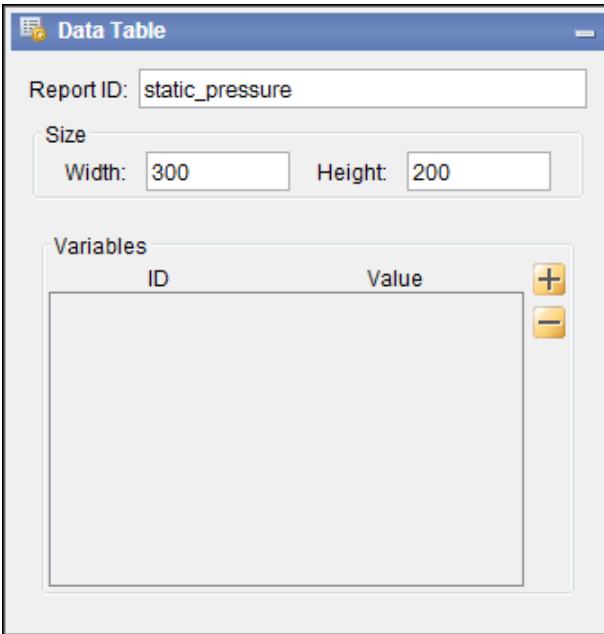
Type	Columns	Variables	Where	Options
Type	Path	Path	Expression	Expression
Display Name	Static Pressure	Static Pressure Setpoint	Difference	Pressure Status
ID	static_pressure	static_pressure_setpoint	static_delta	status

Add **Copy** **Delete** **()**

Display name: Pressure Status
ID: status
Render data as: **Icon** **▼**
Column format: Align: **Center** **▼** Width: **0**
Column data is from: **Expression** **▼**

Expression: `if($static_delta$ < 0, 'light_on_red.png', 'light_on_green.png')`

To create the graphic in ViewBuilder

Instructions	Example
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Select File > New > Graphic, and then click OK.2. Click the Add Control tab in the Tools window.3. Click the Data Table control and then click in the workspace.4. In the Properties window, enter the Report ID exactly as it appears in the i-Vu® Report Editor.5. Resize the control so that it is at least the size that the table will be in the i-Vu® interface. To resize, enter a specific size in the Properties window or drag the handles on the control.<p>NOTE If the table is cut off when you view the graphic in the i-Vu® interface, increase the size of the data table control in ViewBuilder.</p>6. If you defined variables in the Report Editor and you want to use a different default value for the Data Table, click  in the Properties window, type the variable's ID (from the Report Editor), and then type the new default value.<p>NOTE To have the data table show data for a location other than the graphic's location, add a variable and type <code>location</code> in the ID column. Type the path to the location in the Value column.</p>7. Save the graphic.	

To reference a value in a data table

To reference the value of a cell in a data table, use one of these expressions:

```
CELL::table ID,column ID,column ID=value  
CELL::table ID,column ID,numerical position in the column
```

NOTE The numerical position in the column can be positive if counting from the top or negative if counting from the bottom.

Examples

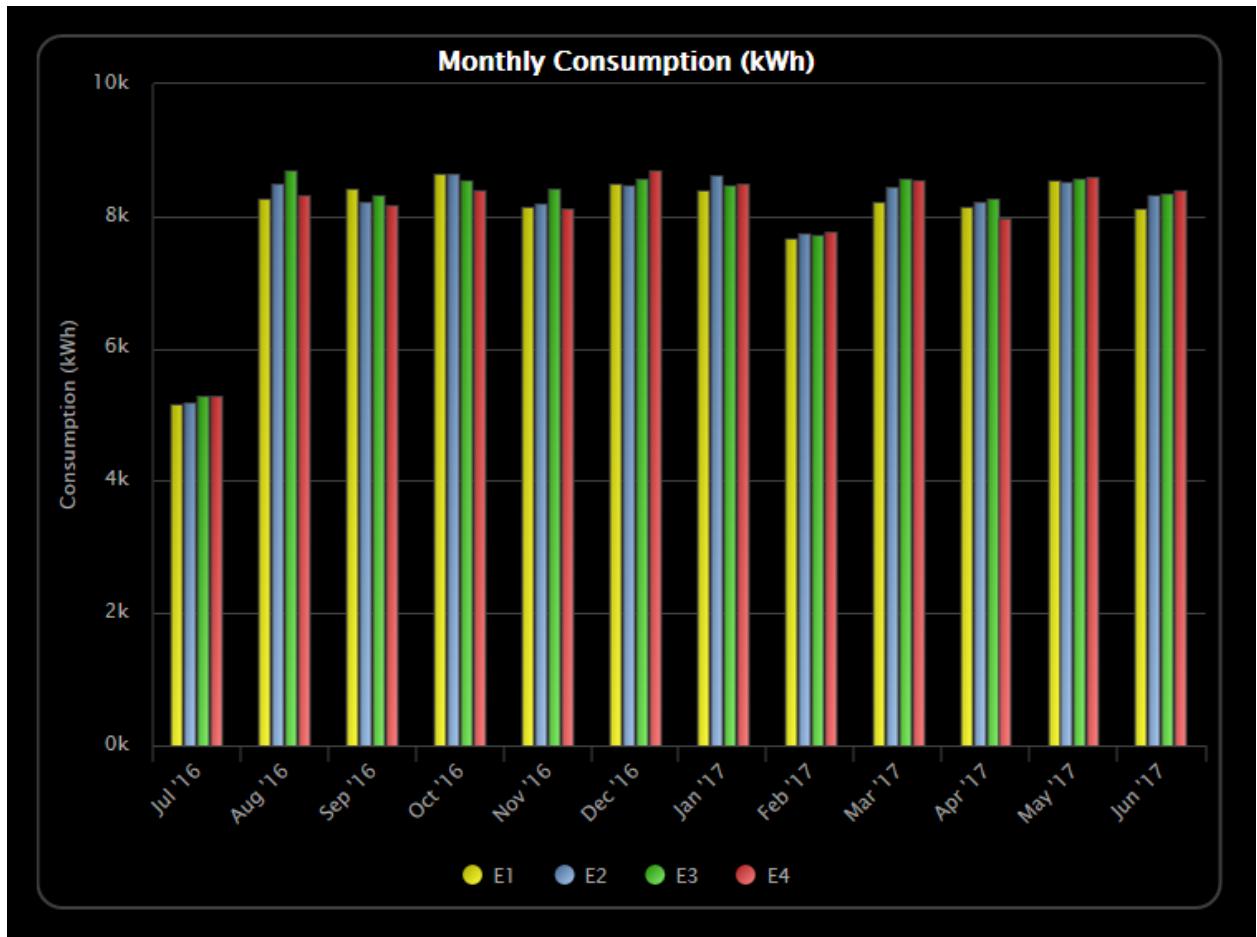
To reference the value of 17.02 in the table below called "sample_table", below are a few ways you can reference the value:

```
CELL::sample_table,c1,location=#e8  
CELL::sample_table,c1,ref=#e8  
CELL::sample_table,c1,3  
CELL::sample_table,c1,-5
```

Location Path location	Location location_name	RefName ref	Col1 c1	Col2 c2	C1 > C2*10 c1_v_c2
#e6	E6	#e6	20.24	4.06	0
#e7	E7	#e7	43.96	0.25	1
#e8	E8	#e8	17.02	7.15	0
#e9	E9	#e9	60.78	6.16	0
#e10	E10	#e10	80.66	4.20	1
Average			44.53	4.36	
Total			222.67	21.82	

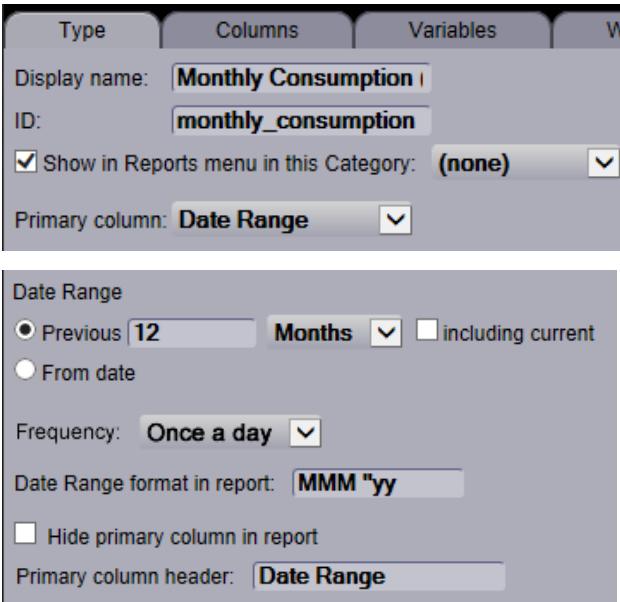
To produce a chart

To produce a bar chart like the example below, first create the report in the i-Vu® interface and then create the corresponding graphic in ViewBuilder.



NOTE When a chart that is based on a report is displayed on a Graphics page, you can hover over various points on the chart to see values. You can also click on each item in the legend to turn that information on and off. See "Using a custom report as the source for a Graphics page" in i-Vu® Help for more information on a chart.

To create the report in the i-Vu® interface

Instructions	Example
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Click the Reports drop-down arrow, and then select Report Manager. 2. Click Add. 3. On the Report Editor's Type tab, type a Display name and ID for the report. 4. In the Primary column field, select the type of information that you want to report based on (Date Range in this example). 5. On the Type tab, enter the criteria for the option that you selected in step 4. 6. In the Primary column header field, enter the heading that you want for that column (Date Range in this example). 	

Instructions

7. Define each column in the report on the Columns tab.

NOTE In the example to the right, all four columns have the same criteria.

Example

Type	Columns	Variables	Where
Type	Trend Data	Trend Data	Trend Data
Display Name	E1	E2	E3
ID	e1	e2	e3
	E4		

Add Copy Delete () Select Trend Path

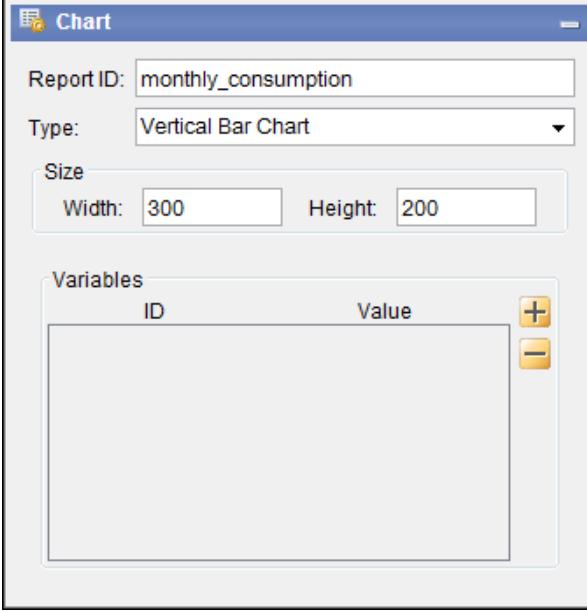
Display name: E1
ID: e1
Render data as: Value
Column format: Align: Right Width: 0 Digits: 0.0
Column data is from: Trend Data
Trend path: #e1/kw_usage
Operation: Aggregate Consumption
Midnight sample: Include 0:00 / include 24:00
Database trends only:
Show time of sample:
Time range: From primary column
 From column
 Value
 Past

8. Define the **Chart** options on the Output tab.
9. Define any other information you may want, and then click **Accept**.

Chart

Axis label: Consumption (kWh)
Data series: By column By row
Show title:
Show legend:
Show chart border:

To create the graphic in ViewBuilder

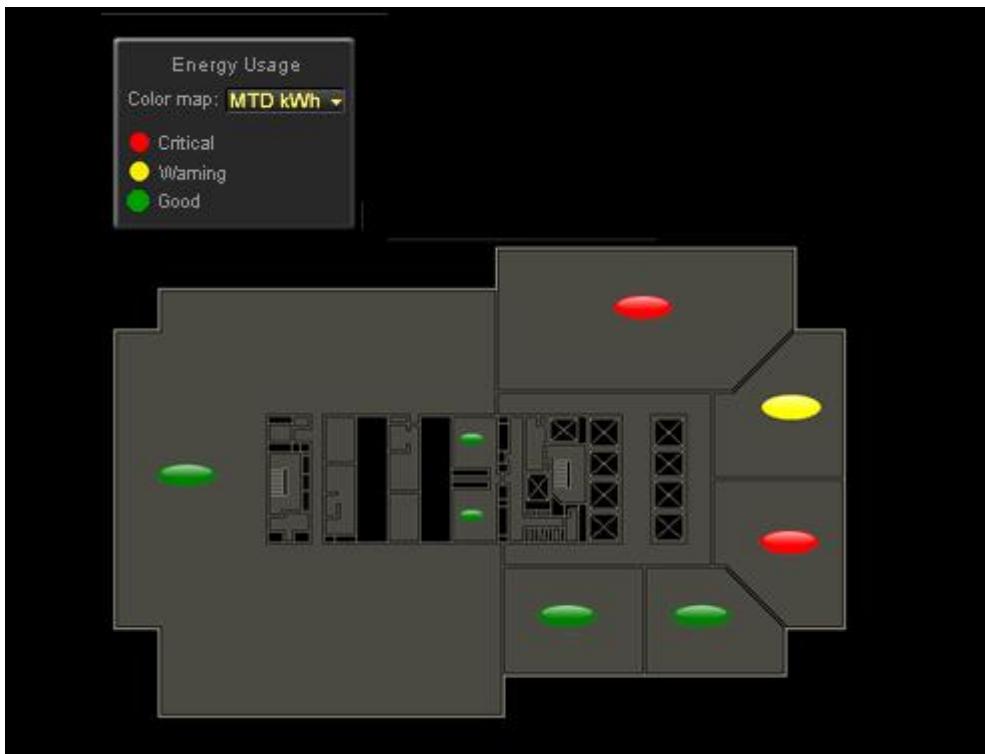
Instructions	Example
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Select File > New > Graphic, and then click OK.2. Click the Add Control tab in the Tools window.3. Click the Chart control and then click in the workspace.4. In the Properties window, enter the Report ID exactly as it appears in the i-Vu® Report Editor.5. Select the Type of chart you want.6. Resize the control so that it is at least the size that the chart will be in the i-Vu® interface. To resize, enter a specific size in the Properties window or drag the handles on the control.<p>NOTE If the chart is cut off when you view the graphic in the i-Vu® interface, increase the size of the chart control in ViewBuilder.</p>7. If you defined variables in the Report Editor and you want to use a different default value for the chart, click  in the Properties window, type the variable's ID (from the Report Editor), and then type the new default value.<p>NOTE To have the chart show data for a location other than the graphic's location, add a variable and type <code>location</code> in the ID column. Type the path to the location in the Value column.</p>8. Save the graphic.	

To produce a color map

A Graphics page color map shows specified colors for various conditions that are defined in an i-Vu® Pro report. For example, a floorplan could show the percentage of time each zone is occupied. See image below.

NOTE For this type of color map, the control program must have a means of trending occupancy.

A color map can also have an option that lets a user switch between different kinds of information. For example, in the image below, a user could click on the **MTD kWh** drop-down list and select **YTD kWh**.



To produce a color map:

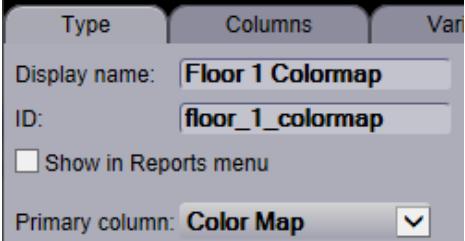
- 1 Create the graphic in ViewBuilder.
- 2 Create the corresponding report in the i-Vu® interface.
- 3 Edit the graphic to add information specific to the i-Vu® report.

See instructions below.

Create the graphic in ViewBuilder

Instructions	Example
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Add an image (floorplan, campus map, etc.) to the graphic, and then double-click the image to open the Associations window.2. Associate each item on your image (zone, building, etc.). See "Associating zones on a floorplan to equipment" in ViewBuilder Help. NOTE The Variable Color checkbox in the Associations window must be checked.3. Click Save and Close.	

Create the report in the i-Vu® interface

Instructions	Example
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Click the Reports drop-down arrow, and then select Report Manager.2. Click Add.3. On the Report Editor's Type tab, type a Display name and ID for the report.4. Uncheck Show in Reports menu.5. In the Primary column field, select Color Map.	

Instructions	Example																			
<p>6. Type a location in your system so that you can preview the report (#floor_1 in the example). This location is only for testing your entries in the Report Editor. Associations to actual locations in the system will be made in ViewBuilder.</p> <p>NOTE You can add more than one location if you want to see more in the preview.</p> <p>7. Click Add.</p> <p>8. Optional: Select Include equipment color column if you want to automatically include a column for i-Vu® equipment colors.</p> <p>NOTE You can see this column in the Preview section if you check Show all columns.</p> <p>8. Define each column in the report on the Columns tab. See examples of the first two columns on the right.</p>	<div data-bbox="768 255 1230 508"> <p>Preview Locations</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>#floor_1</td> <td>Add</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Include equipment color column</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Hide primary column in report</td> </tr> </table> </div> <div data-bbox="768 819 1553 1351"> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Type</th> <th>Path</th> <th>Function</th> <th>Path</th> <th>Function</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Display Name</td> <td>MTD kWh data</td> <td>MTD kWh</td> <td>YTD kWh data</td> <td>YTD kWh</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ID</td> <td>mtd_kwh_data</td> <td>mtd_kwh</td> <td>ytd_kwh_data</td> <td>ytd_kwh</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Add Copy Delete < ></p> <p>Display name: MTD kWh data</p> <p>ID: mtd_kwh_data</p> <p>Render data as: Hidden</p> <p>Column data is from: Path</p> <p>Path: month_to_date_kwh</p> <p>Show value as text? <input type="checkbox"/></p> </div>	#floor_1	Add	<input type="checkbox"/> Include equipment color column	<input type="checkbox"/> Hide primary column in report	Type	Path	Function	Path	Function	Display Name	MTD kWh data	MTD kWh	YTD kWh data	YTD kWh	ID	mtd_kwh_data	mtd_kwh	ytd_kwh_data	ytd_kwh
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Instructions

A color map can retrieve color information only from a column that has the **Render data as** field set to **Color**.

9. Define any other information needed on the Report Editor tabs, and then click **Accept**.

Example

Type	Path	Function	Path	Function
Display Name	MTD kWh data	MTD kWh	YTD kWh data	YTD kWh
ID	mtd_kwh_data	mtd_kwh	ytd_kwh_data	ytd_kwh

Add **Copy** **Delete** **↶** **↷**

Display name: **MTD kWh**

ID: **mtd_kwh**

Render data as: **Color** **▼**

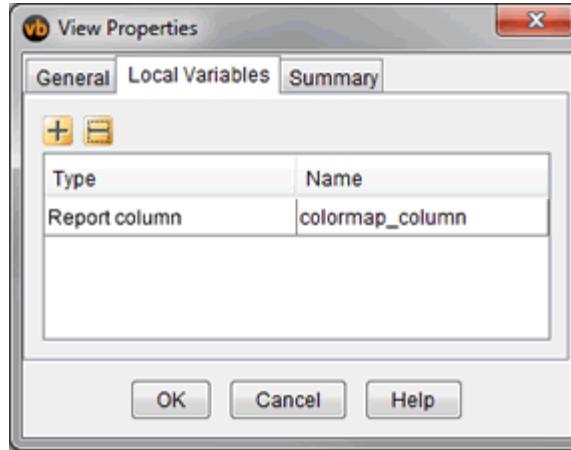
Column data is from: **Function** **▼**

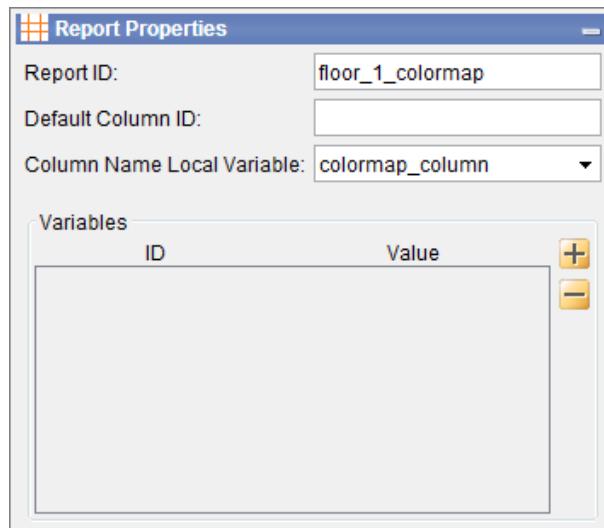
input column (ID): **mtd_kwh_data**

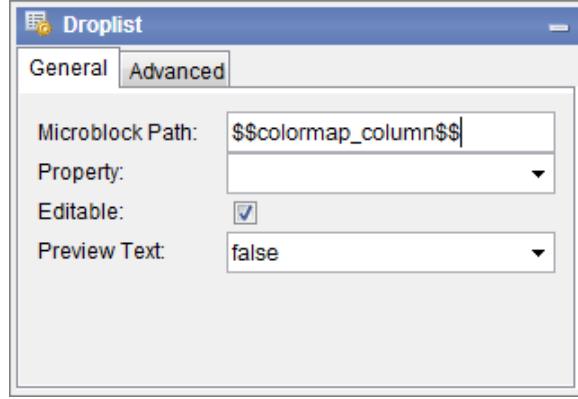
Function: **Convert Values to Text** **▼**

Arguments: **green,10000=yellow,20000=red**

Edit the graphic in ViewBuilder to add report information

Instructions	Example
<p>Follow steps 1 through 5 if the colormap will show information from more than one report column. If not, skip to step 6.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Select Configure > View Properties. 2. On the Local Variables tab, click . 3. Double-click Boolean in the Type column, and then select Report column in the drop-down list. 4. Double-click variable in the Name column, and then replace variable with colormap_column. NOTE If the Graphic has multiple images that will pull data from different reports, add one variable called colormap_column1, another called colormap_column2, etc. 5. Click OK. 6. Double-click the image to open the Associations window. 7. Click , and then enter the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report ID: Get the report ID from the i-Vu® Report Editor. • Default Column ID: This is the column whose color is displayed when the graphic first appears. Get the Column ID from the i-Vu® Report Editor. Leave blank if the graphic will pull data from only one report column. • Column Name Local Variable: Type the name of the variable that you created in step 5 above. Leave blank if the graphic will pull data from only one report column. 	



Instructions	Example
<p>8. If a report uses a variable and you want the colormap to use a different default value than what is defined in the i-Vu® Report Editor,</p> <p>click  in the Report Properties window, type the variable's ID (defined in the Report Editor), and then type the new default value.</p> <p>9. If the colormap will show information from more than one report column, add a control (dropdown or radio buttons) that will allow the user to select the information they want to see.</p> <p>10. In the Microblock Path field, enter the local variable that you defined in step 4, enclosing it in \$\$.</p> <p>11. Finish the graphic and then test it in the i-Vu® interface.</p>	

Advanced topics

Miscellaneous ViewBuilder menu commands and features

Menu command	Notes
Tools > Configure	Use this command if directed by Technical Support to install an added ViewBuilder feature.
Help > Apply Update	Use this command to install service packs or patches.

Defining i-Vu® paths

A path tells the i-Vu® application the route through the system hierarchy to an item in the system. For example, a path tells the i-Vu® application where to find a microblock property value to display on a graphic or where to jump to when the operator clicks a link on a graphic.

You can use semantic tags as part of the path. See *Using semantic tags in a path* (page 81).

In ViewBuilder, you use paths in:

- *Controls* (page 16)
- *Links* (page 55)
- *Conditional expressions* (page 82)

In i-Vu®, you use paths in :

- The `source` field code in alarm actions and messages
- An Equipment Values report
- The `go` manual command

You can do one of the following to get the path:

- In ViewBuilder, let *ViewBuilder write the path* (page 78).
- In the i-Vu® interface, *determine the path yourself* (page 79).

A path consists of the reference name of each tree item included in the path, separated by a forward slash (/). For example, `first_floor/zone_1/rs`.

A path can be *absolute* (page 77) or *relative* (page 77).

i-Vu® paths are based on parent-child hierarchy. In the tree below, the Lobby is a child of First Floor, and First Floor is a child of Atlanta R&D Facility. Conversely, Atlanta R&D Facility is the parent of First Floor, which is the parent of Lobby.

A system in the i-Vu® interface:



Same system in SiteBuilder showing reference names in blue:



Absolute path

An absolute path begins at a specific point in the system hierarchy and is followed by the children below it down to the object or property of interest. An absolute path can begin with either of the following:

- A global reference name—a reference name that is unique within the entire system and begins with a # sign. **EXAMPLE** If OA Conditions has a global reference name of #oa_conditions, the absolute path to OA Conditions is simply **#oa_conditions**. The absolute path to any child of OA Conditions, such as OA Temperature, begins with #oa_conditions. For example, **#oa_conditions/oa_temp**.
- The top of the i-Vu® tree.

Relative path

A relative path is useful for items such as graphics or alarm messages that you will reuse in multiple i-Vu® locations because the path is relative to the item that contains the path.

A relative path going down the tree

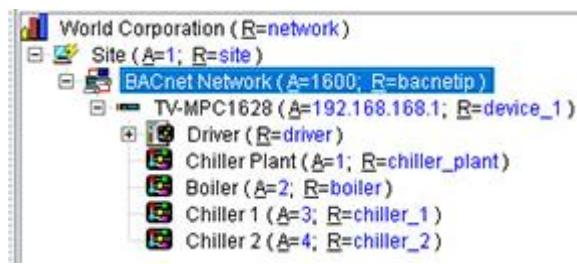
A relative path going down the tree begins with the reference name of the item below the location where the path is used. Examples using the system shown above:

- To display the Lobby's zone temperature on the Lobby's graphic, the path is **rs**.
- To display the Lobby's zone temperature on the Atlanta-R&D Facility graphic, the path is **first_floor/zone_1/rs**.

A relative path going up the tree

A relative path going up the tree begins with a ~ followed by one of the options below:

Use...	To go...	Examples using the system shown above
~parent	Up one level	<p>1 To put a link on the Lobby graphic that goes to the First Floor graphic, the path is ~parent.</p> <p>2 To put a link on the Lobby graphic that goes to the Atlanta R&D Facility (up 2 levels), the path is ~parent/~parent.</p> <p>3 To display the Lobby's zone temperature on the Boiler graphic, the path is ~parent/~parent/first_floor(zone_1)/rs/present_value.</p>
~equipment	To the microblock's control program	To display the Lobby zone temperature in a High Temp alarm message, the path is ~equipment/rs/present_value .
~device	From a control program to its device	To show the device name on an equipment graphic, use ~device.display-name .
~instance(#)	To sibling equipment within a multi-equipment device	See the system shown below. To display the Boiler Plant outdoor air temperature on the Chiller Plant graphic, the path is ~instance(2)/oat/present_value .



To have ViewBuilder write microblock path

ViewBuilder can create the path for a control, link, or conditional expression.

- 1 If you do not see the **System** window, click  on the toolbar.
- 2 Select **Database**, then select the system you want from the drop-down list.
- 3 Click **Next**.
- 4 In the **Name** field, select your user name from the drop-down list.
- 5 Type your **Password**.
- 6 Click **Next**.
- 7 To get a *relative path* (page 77), right-click the area or piece of equipment whose graphic you are creating or editing, select **Set Base Path**.

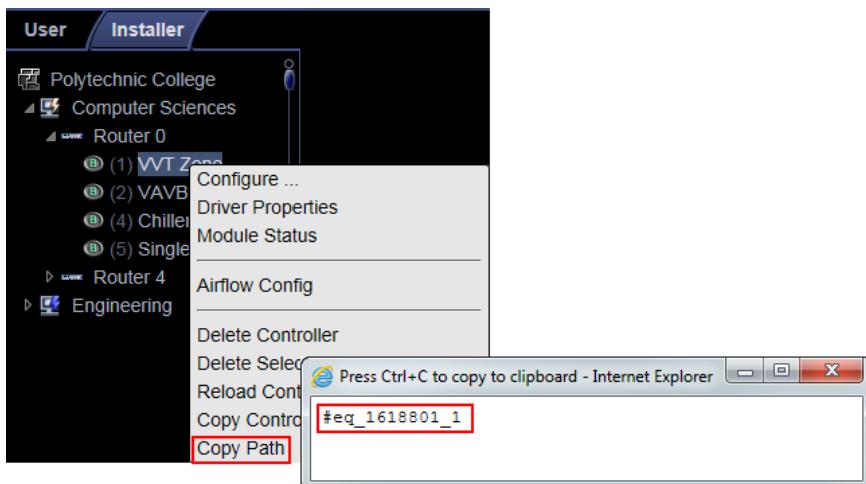
- 8 Select the item whose path you want.
- 9 Do one of the following:
 - o If the path is for a link or conditional expression, copy the path shown in the field below the system tree.
 - o If the path is for a control, right-click the control in the workspace or the **Microblock Path** field in a **Control Properties** window, then select **Set Microblock Path Expression**.

Determining a path or microblock property

A path tells the i-Vu® application the route through the system hierarchy to an item in the system. Paths are used in graphics, links, alarm messages, alarm actions, network microblock address, and other items.

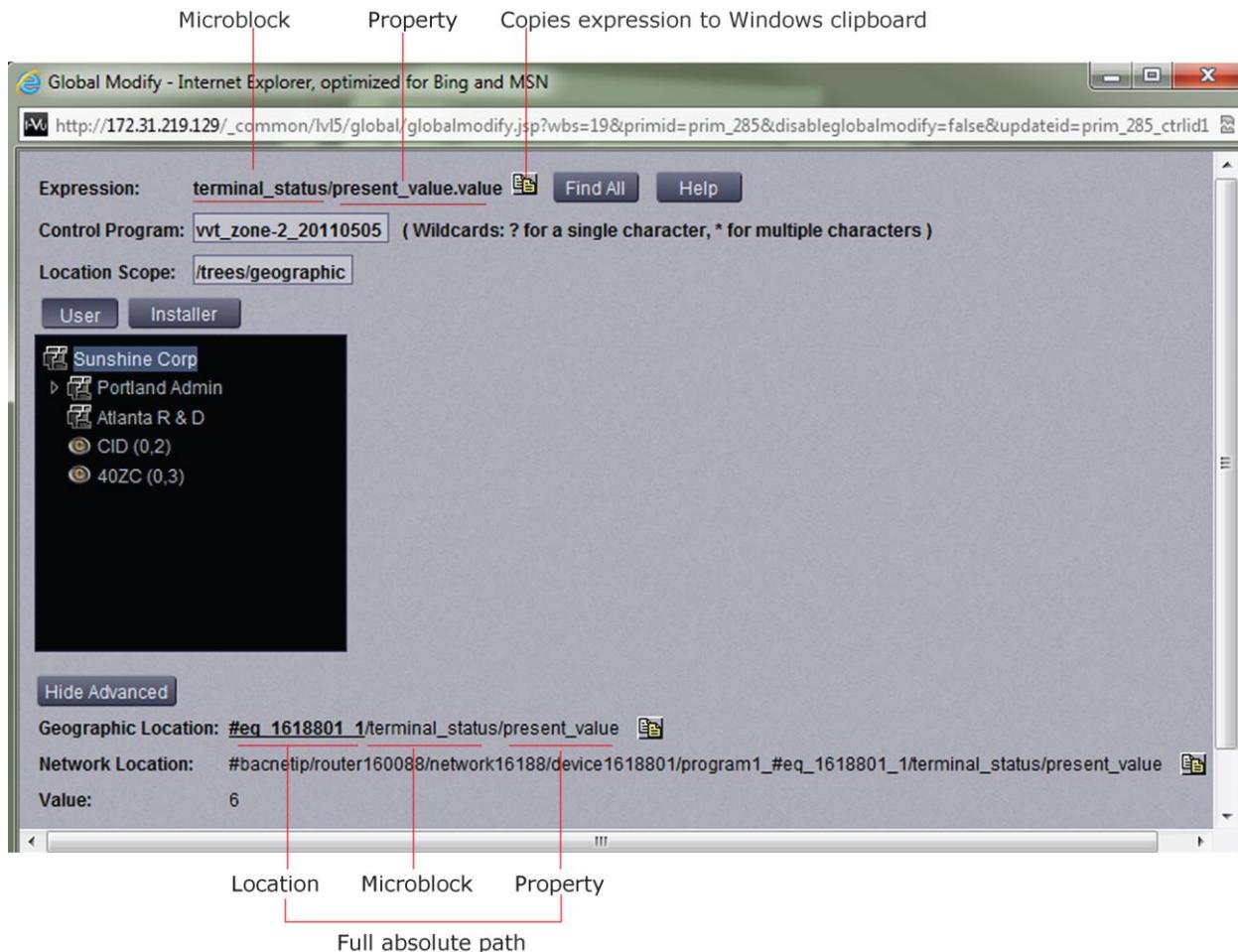
To get the path to an area, equipment, or microblock

In the i-Vu® interface, right-click the item on the tree, then select **Copy Path**. Paste the path where you need it.



To get the path to a microblock property value

- 1 In the i-Vu® interface, right-click the value, then select **Global Modify**.
- 2 Click **Show Advanced** to see the full path to the property value.



Using semantic tags in a path

You can use a semantic tag in place of a reference name in paths. Follow the conventions in the table below to use them in the i-Vu® v8.0 interface to set up custom reports and, in ViewBuilder, to use on graphics. See "Semantic tagging" in i-Vu® Help for details on assigning tags and the rules governing them.

Function	Description
Specify a semantic tag	A tag is always preceded by "@" to differentiate it from a reference name.
Use multiple tags	" " for ANY "&" for ALL
	Examples <ul style="list-style-type: none">• @tag1 tag2 tag3 - find the first child tagged "tag1" OR "tag2" OR "tag3" (ANY tag)• @tag1&tag2&tag3 - find the first child tagged "tag1" AND "tag2" AND "tag3" (must have ALL tags) NOTE You cannot mix " " and "&" in the same tag list.
Search up	Search from the current location and up by prefixing the tag with "@up:".
	Example @up:tag1&tag2 - search up the tree, including the current location for a location with "tag1" AND tag2"
Search down	Search from the current location and down by prefixing the tag with with "@down:". This returns the first matching location.
	Example @down:tag1&tag2 - search down the tree, INCLUDING the current location for tags with "tag1" AND tag2"
Get a value	Value tags can be used like an attribute. Use the "@" tag name where an attribute would be specified.
	NOTE Like all attributes, you must precede the name with a period to obtain a value.
	Examples <ul style="list-style-type: none">• #floor1.@area• To search up for a location with an Area tag and get the Area tag value: @up:area.@area

Examples of Semantic tags in a graphic

Example 1

You want to share an equipment graphic, but equivalent microblocks have different reference names.

The zone temperature analog input is `zone_temp` in one control program and `ztemp` in another. If both microblocks have rules to apply the "zone" and "temp" semantic tags to them, the microblock path would be `@zone&temp` to find the microblocks with "zone" and "temp" Semantic tags.

Example 2

You want zip code to appear on a graphic.

The zip code Semantic tag "geoPostalCode" can be defined anywhere at or above the location where the graphic is assigned. The microblock path would be `@up:geoPostalCode.@geoPostalCode`. The `@up:geoPostalCode` part searches here and up for a location with a "geoPostalCode" tag, and `@.geoPostalCode` gets the value of that tag.

Example 3

You want a shared area graphic to show discharge air temp (`da_temp`) for the only AHU that is below that location. There is not a common relative path to the AHU equipment, but it is tagged with the "ahu" Semantic tag.

The microblock path would be `@down:ahu/da_temp`.

Alternate solution: If "da_temp" is tagged with the standard built in rules with the "air", "discharge", "hvac" and "temp" tags, then `@down:ahu/@air&discharge&temp` would also work.

Conditional expressions in a graphic

You can type a conditional expression in ViewBuilder to do one of the following based on a microblock property value or the existence of a path:

- Show or hide an object
- Enable or disable an object
- Display text in variable colors
- Display variable text

You can also use *local variables in conditional expressions* (page 88) to make various controls react to user interaction in a running system.

Show/hide or enable/disable expressions

The following scenario shows how you could use an expression to show or hide a control on a graphic. Enable/disable works the same way.

- 1 In ViewBuilder, you right-click a control, select **Show/Hide**, then type the following expression in the **Show/Hide** dialog box.

Expression: \$zone_temp/present_value\$<70

Translation: The present value of the zone temperature is less than 70.

- 2 You select **Show When True**.

- 3 When the graphic is displayed in the i-Vu® interface, the actual zone temperature is 75. Because the expression is false, i-Vu® hides the control.

Breakdown of the above expression



\$zone_temp/present_value\$<70

① A path to a microblock property (enclosed in dollar signs) Example: \$zone_temp/present_value\$
The path can be relative, absolute, or global. See *Defining i-Vu® paths* (page 76).

NOTE You can select the microblock in ViewBuilder's **System** window to display the path, which you can then copy and paste into your conditional expression. To use a relative path, right-click the area or piece of equipment whose graphic you are creating, then select **Set Base Path**.

② An operator Example: <

A character that represents the relationship between the value of **①** the microblock property and **③** the literal value. See *Operators* (page 87) for a complete list of operators.

③ A literal value Example: 70

Either a number, as in the above example, or true or false, as in \$zone_temp/locked\$==true.

Variable color expressions

The following example shows how you could enter an expression to cause a text control to change color in the i-Vu® interface based on the value of a microblock property.

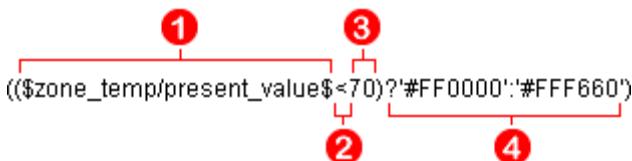
- 1 In ViewBuilder, select a control that displays alphanumeric characters, and then click  on the toolbar.
- 2 Type the following expression.

Expression: `((zone_temp/present_value$<70)?#FF0000':#FFF660')`
Translation: If the statement "The zone temperature's present value is less than 70" is true, show red (#FF0000). If false, show yellow (#FFF660).

NOTE Click a color in the **Color Insertion Tool** to add its hexadecimal value in the expression.

- 3 When the graphic is displayed in the i-Vu® interface, the actual zone temperature is 75. Because the expression is false, the control is yellow in the i-Vu® interface.

Breakdown of the above expression



1 A path to a microblock property (enclosed in dollar signs) Example: `$zone_temp/present_value$`
The path can be relative or absolute. See *Defining i-Vu® paths* (page 76).

NOTE You can select the microblock in ViewBuilder's **System** window to display the path, which you can then copy and paste into your conditional expression. To use a relative path, right-click the area or piece of equipment whose graphic you are creating, then select **Set Base Path**.

2 An operator Example: `<`

A character that represents the relationship between the value of **1** the microblock property and **3** the literal value. See *Operators* (page 87) for a complete list of operators.

3 A literal value Example: `70`

Either a number, as in the above example, or true or false, as in `$zone_temp/locked$==true`.

4 A result Example: `?#FF0000':#FFF660'`

Variable color expressions include a color if the expression is true (#FF0000) and another color if the expression is false (#FFF660). The format of this part of the equation is `?true color':false color'`.

NOTE In a variable color expression, you enter a hexadecimal value for a color, such as `#FF0000` for the color red. Color values must be enclosed in single quotation marks. For example, `'#FF0000'`.

To find the hexadecimal value of a color

- 1 Right-click on any text control and select **Variable Color**.
- 2 Click **Custom**.
- 3 Select the color you want.
- 4 Click **OK**.
- 5 Copy the hexadecimal value in the **Expression** field.

Variable text expressions

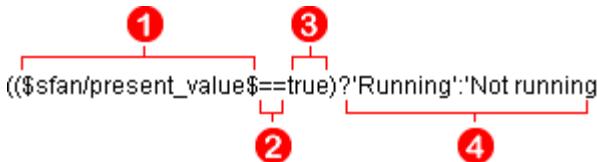
The following example shows how you can use a single-line text control to display varying text in the i-Vu® interface based on the value of a microblock property.

- 1 In ViewBuilder, type the following expression in the **Microblock Path** field of the **Control Properties** window, and clear the **Property** field.

Expression: `((sfan/present_value$==true)?'Running':'Not running')`
Translation: If the statement "The supply fan's present value is true (on)" is true, show **Running**. If false, show **Not running**.

- 2 When the graphic is displayed in the i-Vu® interface, the supply fan is off. Because the expression is false, **Not running** is displayed.

Breakdown of the above expression



1 A path to a microblock property (enclosed in dollar signs) Example: `$fan/present_value$`
The path can be relative or absolute. See *Defining i-Vu® paths* (page 76).

NOTE You can select the microblock in ViewBuilder's **System** window to display the path, which you can then copy and paste into your conditional expression. To use a relative path, right-click the area or piece of equipment whose graphic you are creating, then select **Set Base Path**.

2 An operator Example: `==`

A character that represents the relationship between the value of **1** the microblock property and **3** the literal value. See *Operators* (page 87) for a complete list of operators.

3 A literal value Example: `true`

A value such as true as in the above example, or a number such as 70 in the example `$zone_temp/present_value$<70`.

4 A result Example: `?'Running':'Not running'`

Variable text expressions include the text to show if the expression is true (Running) and text to show if the expression is false (Not running). The format of this part of the equation is `?true text:'false text'`.

Combining expressions

Below are three methods, with examples, that you can use to combine expressions.

Method 1: Use the And (&&) or the Or (||) operator

Expression using the And operator:
\$zone_temp/locked\$==false
&&\$zone_temp/present_value\$>75
?'#FF0000':'#FFF660'

Translation: The zone temperature is not locked and the current value of the zone temperature is greater than 75. If both of these statements are true, show red ('#FF0000'); if either is false, show yellow ('#FFF660').

Method 2: Use the Ternary (? :) operators

Expression:
\$zone/M001/present_value\$==1
?'#FF0000':\$zone/M001/present_value\$==2
?'#FFF660':\$zone/M001/present_value\$==3
?'#FFFFFF':'#FF00FF'

Translation: The present value of M001 is 1. If this is true, show red ('#FF0000'). If false, evaluate the next statement. The present value of M001 is 2. If this is true, show yellow ('#FFF660'). If false, evaluate the next statement. The present value of M001 is 3. If this is true, show white ('#FFFFFF'). If false, show magenta ('#FF00FF').

Method 3: Nest expressions

Expression:
\$zone_temp/locked\$==true
?(\$zone_temp/locked_value\$>75?'#FF0000':'#FFF660')
:'#00FF00'

Translation: The zone temperature is locked. If this statement is false, show green ('#00FF00'). If true, evaluate the nested statement that the locked value is greater than 75. If this statement is true, show red ('#FF0000'); if false, show yellow ('#FFF660').

Operators

An operator defines how each piece of an expression is to be handled. For example, an operator can compare or perform an action between the value of a microblock property, a literal value, or the result of an expression. The following table lists operators that can be used in expressions.

Path Operators

\$path\$	Get value	Gets the value of the path
??path??	Check for presence	Checks for the existence of the path. If it exists, the expression is true. If it does not, the expression is false.

Operators that return true/false

<	Less than	Compares numeric data. Returns true if the value to the left of the operator is smaller than the value to the right.
>	Greater than	Compares numeric data. Returns true if the value to the left of the operator is larger than the value to the right.
<=	Less than or equal to	Compares numeric data. Returns true if the value to the left of the operator is smaller than or equal to the value to the right.
>=	Greater than or equal to	Compares numeric data. Returns true if the value to the left of the operator is larger than or equal to the value to the right.
!	Not	Evaluates the expression and returns the opposite. Example: !\$zone_temp/locked\$ If zone_temp/locked is true, the expression is false. If zone_temp/locked is false, the expression is true.
==	Equal to	Compares data. Returns true if the value on both sides of the operator are equal.
!=	Not equal to	Compares data. Returns true if the value to the left of the operator does not match the value to the right.
&&	And	Combines expressions. Returns true if the expressions on both sides of && result in true. See <i>Combining expressions</i> (page 86), Method 1 for an example of using this operator.
	Or	Combines expressions. Returns true if the expression on either side or both sides of the operator results in true. See <i>Combining expressions</i> (page 86), Method 1.

Operators that return a numeric value

+	Add	Adds numeric data, expressions, or values.
-	Subtract	Subtracts numeric data, expressions, or values.
*	Multiply	Multiplies numeric data, expressions, or values.
/	Divide	Divides numeric data, expressions, or values.
%	Modulus	Finds the remainder in the division of numeric data, expressions, or values.

Other operators

? :	Ternary	See <i>Combining expressions</i> (page 86), Method 2 for an example of using this operator.
()	Parentheses	Use to nest expressions. Operations in parentheses are evaluated before those outside parentheses.

Using local variables

You can use local variables in *conditional expressions* (page 82) to make various controls react to user interaction in i-Vu®. For example, you could have a panel show or hide in the i-Vu® interface based on a checkbox.



Although local variables can be used in any type of conditional expression, the following examples show how to:

Set objects to show/hide based on radio button selection (page 88)

Set an object to show/hide based on checkbox selection (page 90)

You can also use a local variable to test the setup of a control in your graphic before the graphic is in a live system. See *To use a local variable to test the setup of a control* (page 93)

Local variables are preserved through cut/copy and paste, as well as when importing a .viewsymbol.

To set objects to show/hide based on radio button selection

Using a variable in a conditional expression, you can show/hide objects based on the value of a radio button.

EXAMPLE In the image below, the i-Vu® operator can show zone temperature or airflow by choosing the appropriate radio button.



Step 1: Create the variable in ViewBuilder

- 1 Select **Configure > View Properties > Local Variables** tab.



TIP Use the shortcut **Alt+V** to open the **View Properties** window > **Local Variables** tab.

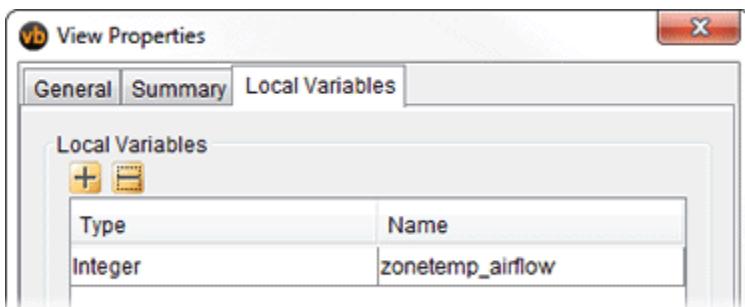
- 2 Click .

- 3 On the row that was added, double-click the **Type** column, then select **Integer**.

- 4 Double-click the **Name** column and type a name for the variable. For example, **zonetemp_airflow**.

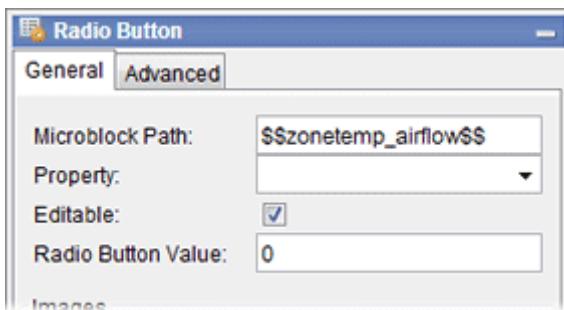
NOTE The name must be lowercase letters, numbers, hyphens, and underscores (no spaces), and it cannot begin with a number.

- 5 Click **OK**.



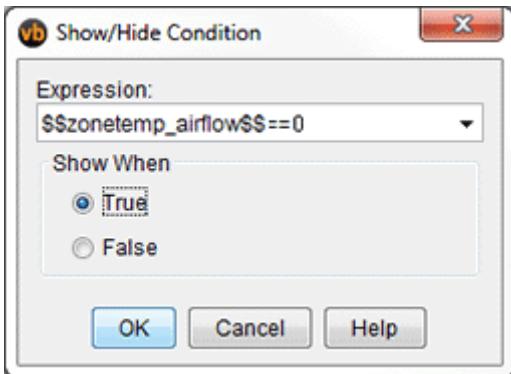
Step 2: Define the properties for the radio buttons

- 1 Add the radio buttons to the workspace.
- 2 For each radio button, select the button and in the **Microblock Path** field, type: **\$\$<the variable>\$\$**. See the image below.
- 3 For each radio button, enter a value for the button in the **Radio Button Value** field. For example, enter 0 for the first button, 1 for the second button, etc.



Step 3: Create a show/hide conditional expression for the objects that you want to show/hide

- 1 Select the object that you want i-Vu® to show when the first radio button is selected.
- 2 Click  on the toolbar.
- 3 In the **Expression** field, type: `$$<the variable>$$==<the radio button's value that you assigned in the Properties window>`. See the image below.
- 4 Select **Show When True**.
- 5 Repeat steps 1 through 4 for the second radio button.



To set an object to show/hide based on toggle button selection

Using a variable in a conditional expression, you can show/hide objects based on the selection of a toggle button.

EXAMPLE The i-Vu® operator can select a checkbox (toggle button control) to show an object or clear the checkbox to hide the object.



Step 1: Create the variable in ViewBuilder

- 1 Select **Configure > View Properties > Local Variables** tab.



TIP Use the shortcut **Alt+V** to open the **View Properties** window > **Local Variables** tab.

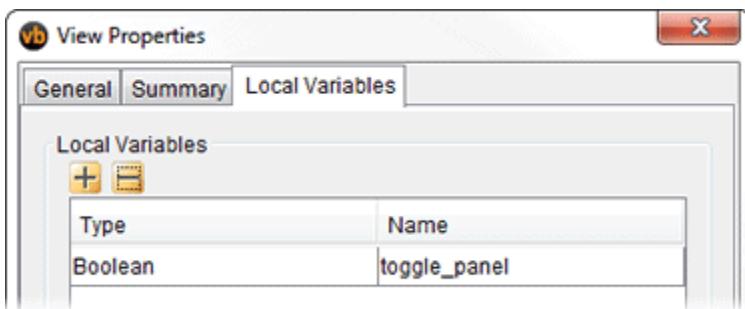
- 2 Click .

- 3 On the row that was added, double-click the **Type** column, then select **Boolean**.

- 4 Double-click the **Name** column and type a name for the variable. For example, `toggle_panel`.

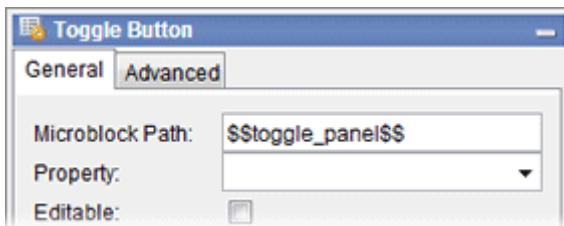
NOTE The name must be lowercase letters, numbers, hyphens, and underscores (no spaces), and it cannot begin with a number.

- 5 Click **OK**.



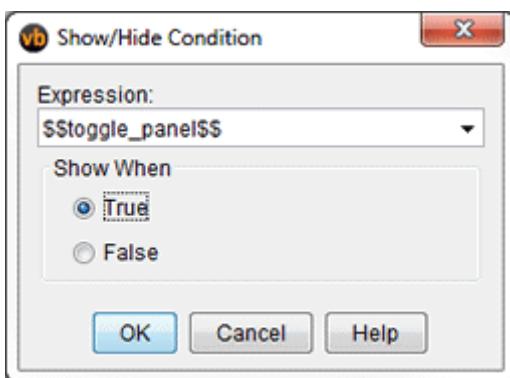
Step 2: Define the properties for the toggle button

- 1 Add the toggle button to the workspace.
- 2 In the **Microblock Path** field, type: `$$<the variable>$$`. See the image below.



Step 3: Create a show/hide conditional expression for the objects that you want to show/hide

- 1 Select the object that you want i-Vu® to show when the checkbox is selected.
- 2 Click  on the toolbar.
- 3 In the **Expression** field, type: \$\$<the variable>\$\$. See the image below.
- 4 Select **Show When True**.



To use a local variable to test the setup of a control

You can use a local variable to test the configuration of a control. For example, you could test the configuration of an angular gauge as described below.

Step 1: Create the variable in ViewBuilder

- 1 Select **Configure > View Properties > Local Variables** tab.



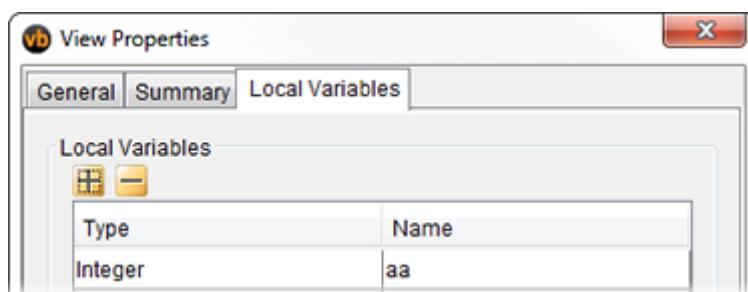
TIP Use the shortcut **Alt+V** to open the **View Properties** window > **Local Variables** tab.

- 2 Click .

- 3 On the row that was added, double-click the **Type** column, then select **Integer**.

- 4 Double-click the **Name** column and type a name for the variable. For example, aa.

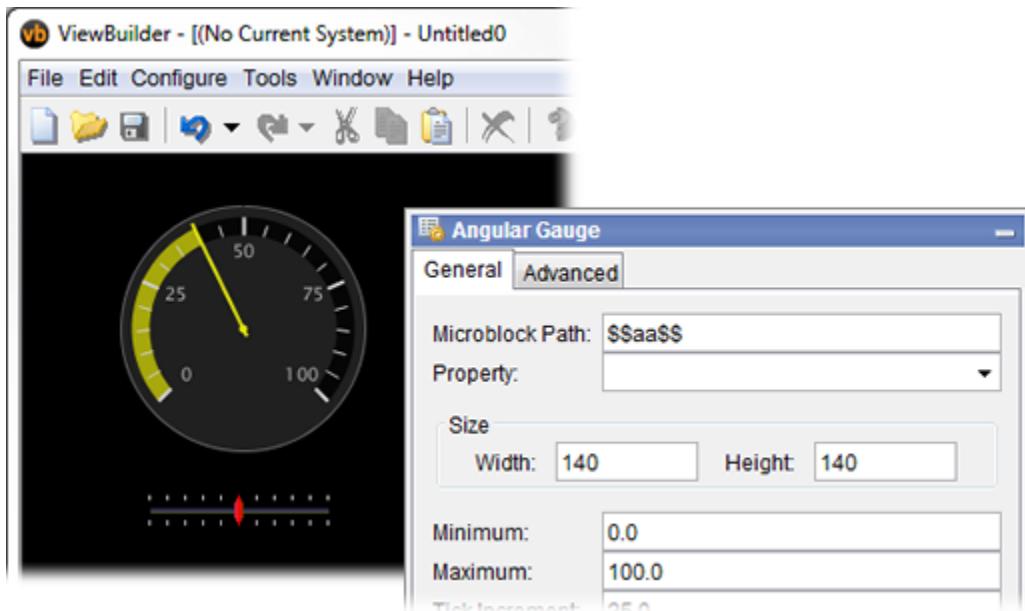
NOTE The name must be lowercase letters, numbers, hyphens, and underscores (no spaces), and it cannot begin with a number.



- 5 Click **OK**.

Step 2: Add an angular gauge and a slider control

- 1 Add the 2 controls.



- 2 In each of their **Microblock Path** fields, type `$$aa$$`.
- 3 Delete **present_value** from the **Property** field.
- 4 Give both controls the same **Minimum** and **Maximum** values.
- 5 Configure the remaining fields the way you want.
- 6 Save your graphic and add it to your i-Vu® system.

Step 3: Test the graphic in the i-Vu® interface

- 1 Go to the graphic in the i-Vu® interface.
- 2 Move the slider back and forth to see how the angular gauge looks at different values.

 **TIP** To see how the gauge reacts to a value that exceeds the minimum and maximum limits, go back to ViewBuilder and make the slider's minimum/maximum range larger than the gauge's, then retest in the i-Vu® interface.

Troubleshooting graphics

Graphic errors are displayed when running the i-Vu® application. The error may be indicated by a small red triangle  in the lower right corner of the i-Vu® action pane. Click the triangle to see the error.

Many error messages contain an expression or path that is incorrect, so you must determine which control in the .view file has the incorrect expression or path. See *To find an expression or path in ViewBuilder* (page 95) below.

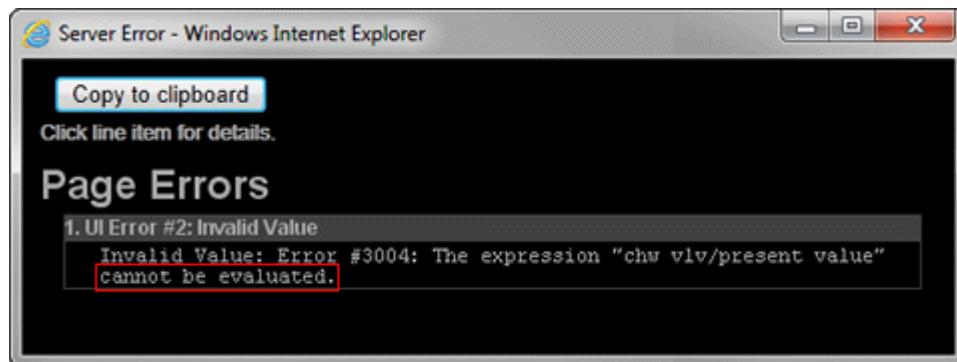
i-Vu® Pro only: Make sure your graphic is in the **i-Vu_Pro_x.x\webroot\<system_name>\views\graphics** folder.

Common errors and their solutions are listed below.

To find an expression or path in ViewBuilder

- 1 Select **Edit > Find/Replace**.
- 2 Type the expression or path in the **Find What** field, or click the drop-down arrow to select from recent entries in this field.
- 3 Click **Find**.
- 4 Select a **Found Item** to have ViewBuilder select the control in the workspace.

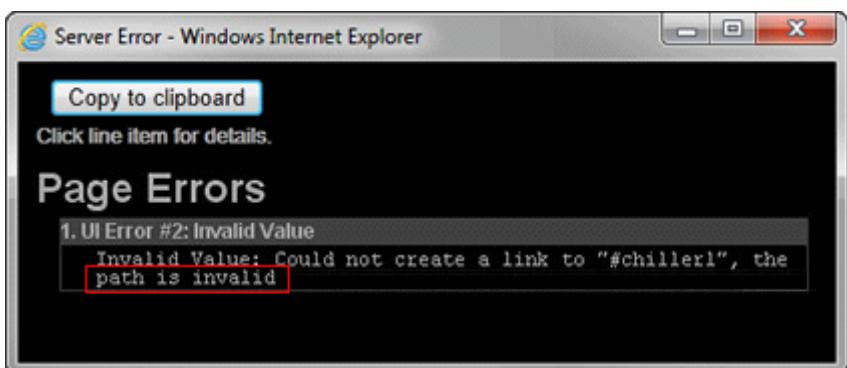
Error: Cannot be evaluated



Indicates the microblock path for a control is incorrect.

Solution: Correct the path. See *Determining a path or microblock property* (page 79).

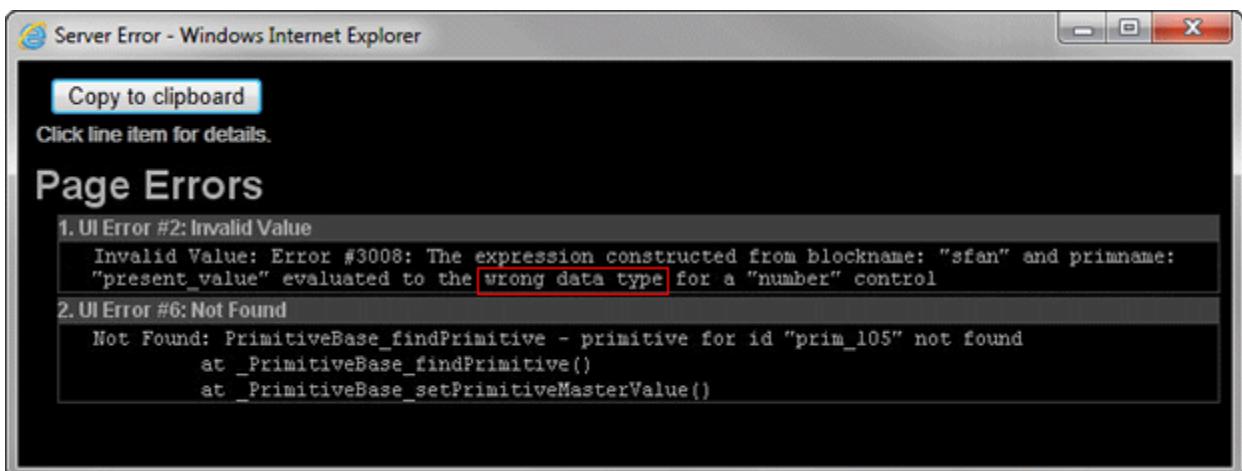
Error: Path is invalid



Indicates that a path in the **Link** dialog box is invalid.

Solution: Correct the path. See *Determining a path or microblock property* (page 79).

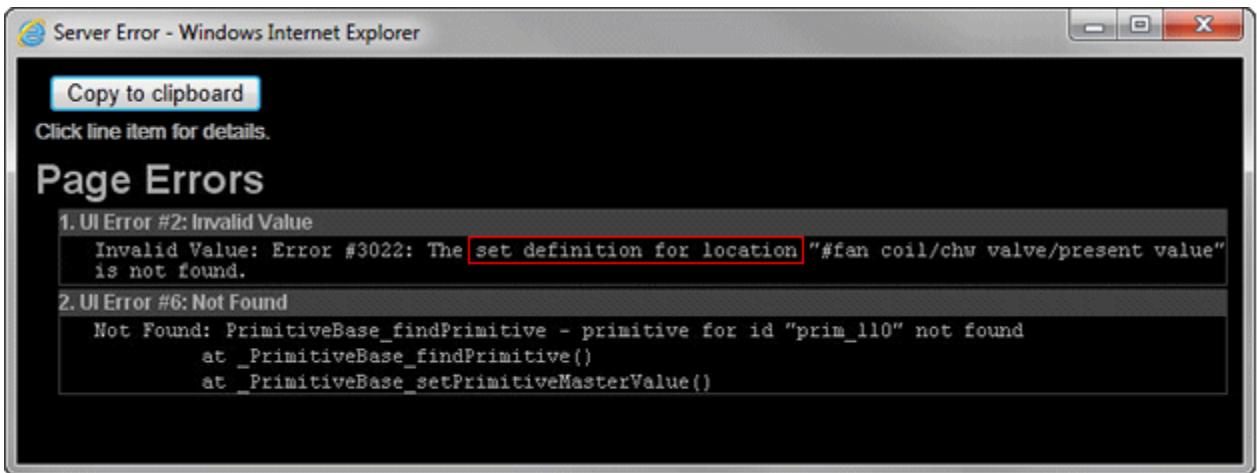
Error: Wrong data type



Indicates that you used a non-binary control to read a binary value. For example, a number control to read a binary value.

Solution: Determine if you need to change the control or the microblock property value.

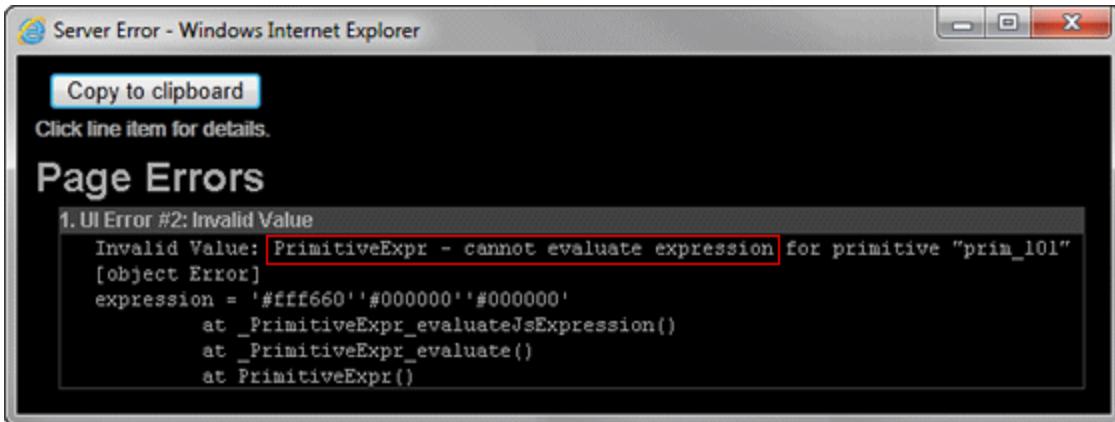
Error: Set definition for location not found



Indicates that you used a non-analog control to read an analog value. For example, a dropdown to read an analog value.

Solution: Determine if you need to change the control or the microblock property value.

Error: PrimitiveExpr - Cannot evaluate expression



Indicates an invalid variable color or show/hide expression.

Solution: Correct the expression. See *Conditional expressions* (page 82).

Language features for i-Vu® Pro only

Creating a non-English graphic in ViewBuilder

To create a non-English system, see "Setting up your system for non-English languages" in i-Vu® Help.

To create a non-English graphic in ViewBuilder:

- 1 Install the non-English language pack(s). See "Installing a language pack" in i-Vu® Help.
- 2 Set the language font (page 98).
- 3 Create the graphic. (page 99)
- 4 Save the .view file.

NOTE The names of your .view file and any inserted image files must contain only ASCII characters.

Setting the language font

If your system has language packs installed, you can select a font for each language. Your selection affects only how text in your graphic appears in ViewBuilder.

To set the font for each language

- 1 Select **Configure > Preferences > Graphic (.view)**.
- 2 On the **Language** tab, check the language that you want to be the default for all new graphics.

To select the default language font for all new graphics

In the **Preview Font** column, click the font name to select a different font.

To select the active language when creating a view

If you will use multiple language fonts in a single view, you can switch to a different language font as follows:

- 1 Select **Configure > View Properties**.
- 2 In the **Language** field, select the language you want to use.
- 3 Click **OK**.

To create a Non-English graphic

The method you use to create a graphic that will be displayed in a non-English i-Vu® system depends on the following:

- If the i-Vu® system will display only a single non-English language, create the graphic in that language.
- If the i-Vu® system will display multiple non-English languages, use either of the following methods:
 - Create the graphic in layers (one layer for each language), and then assign a show/hide conditional expression (see format below) to each layer so that it displays in i-Vu® based on the operator language. See "*To show/hide a layer in the i-Vu® interface (page 52)*" in ViewBuilder Help.
 - Create each piece of the graphic in the different languages, and then assign a show/hide conditional expression (see format below) to each piece so that it displays in i-Vu® based on the operator language. See "*Setting objects on a graphic to show/hide in the i-Vu® interface (page 57)*" in ViewBuilder Help.

Show/Hide conditional expression format

`$$operator_language$$='language'`

where *language* is the language code from the list below.

For example, the conditional expression to display French would be:

`$$operator_language$$=='fr_FR'`

Language	Language code
Brazilian Portuguese	pt_BR
English	en
Canadian French	fr
French	fr_FR
German	de
Italian	it
Japanese	ja
Korean	ko
Russian	ru
Spanish	es
Swedish	sv
Simplified Chinese	zh
Traditional Chinese	zh_TW
Thai	th
Vietnamese	vi

Working with Equipment Touch screens

The Equipment Touch is a touchscreen device that you can attach to a controller to view or change its property values, schedule equipment, view trends, and more, without having to access the system's server.

In ViewBuilder, you:

- Create the screens that the touchscreen displays
- Test the navigation between screens
- Save the screens in a single .touch (for Equipment Touch) file that will be downloaded to the controller

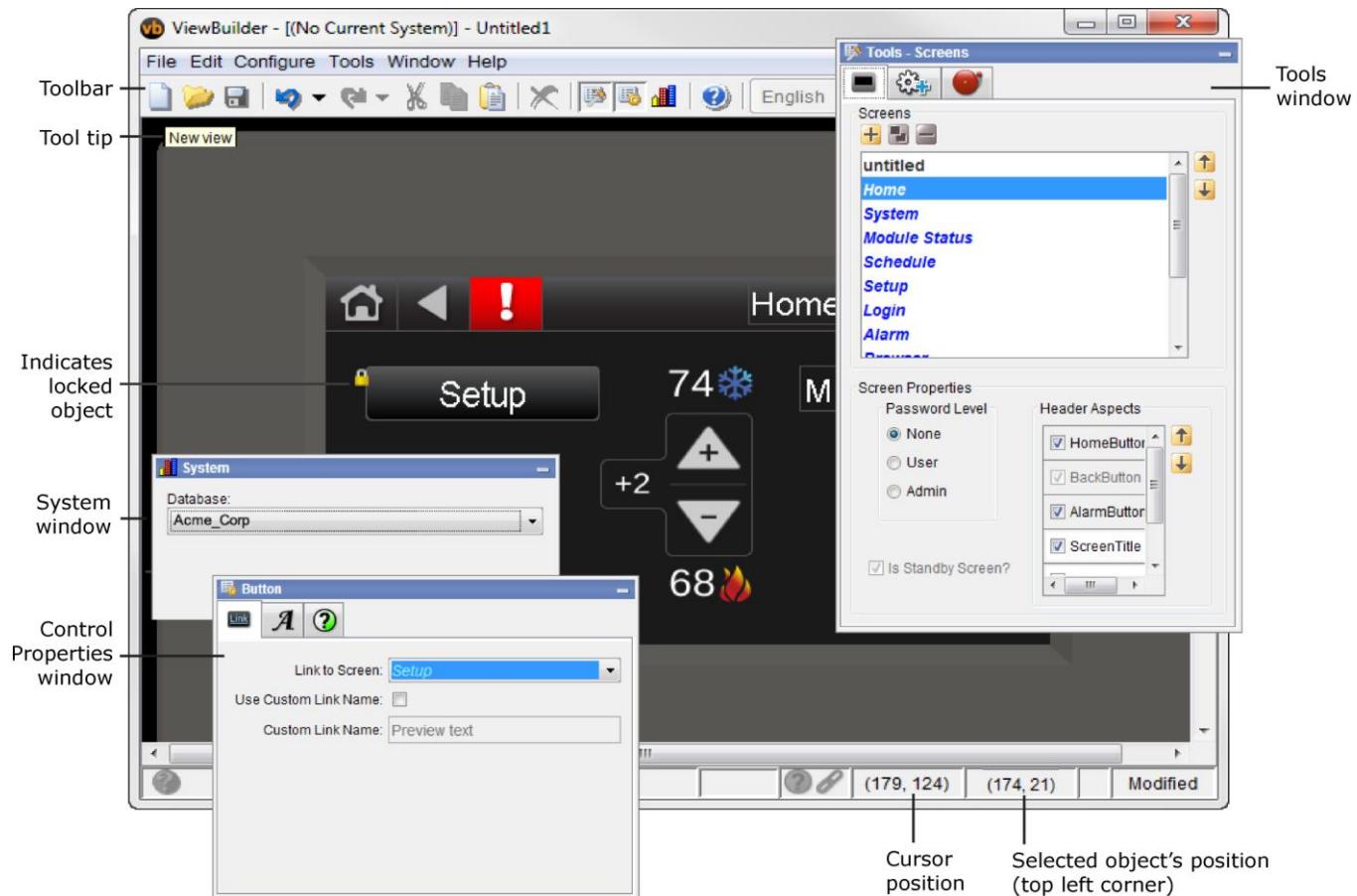


Perform as many of the actions below, as needed, to create your screens.

- 1 *Make a new touchscreen file or open an existing file* (page 104).
- 2 *Edit the Home screen* (page 107).
- 3 *Make additional screens* (page 107).
- 4 *Add controls* (page 108).
- 5 *Add navigation* (page 107).
- 6 *Password-protect the screens* (page 134).
- 7 *Set up alarms* (page 137).
- 8 *Add support for multiple languages* (page 137).
- 9 *Save, assign, and download the touchscreen file* (page 108).

Getting to know ViewBuilder's Equipment Touch interface

You make a touchscreen file in ViewBuilder using a simulation of the touchscreen device. You design your screens directly in the display area, and you set up linked buttons to navigate between the screens.



To move objects

To move a selected object(s):

- Click and drag the object to the new location. Hold down **Shift** as you drag an object to constrain its movement to horizontal or vertical.
- Use the arrow keys to nudge the selected object one pixel at a time, or hold down **Shift** while using the arrow keys to move the object ten pixels at a time.

To align, group, and layer objects

Select the objects that you want to align or reorder (front to back), then use the right-click menu commands or the options on the **Add Control** tab  in the **Tools** window.

NOTES

- Objects align in relationship to the last selected object, the one with the green handles.
- You can select an individual control in a group to edit its properties in the Control Properties window.

To copy an object

Alt+click and drag a control to create a copy of it on the same screen.

To copy a selected object(s) from one screen to another:

- 1 Select the object(s), then click .
- 2 On the new screen, click .
- 3 Click and drag the object(s) to the desired location.

To lock or unlock controls

To lock a selected object(s) so you cannot select or move it, right-click the object, then select **Lock**.

To unlock an object, Ctrl+right-click the object, then select **Unlock**.

NOTE To unlock all locked objects simultaneously, right-click anywhere in the workspace and select **Unlock All**.

To undo or redo actions

Click  on the toolbar as many times as necessary to undo actions that you performed, beginning with the most recent action. Click  to redo the action.

You can also click the drop-down arrow to the right of the Undo or Redo button to select an action from a list that begins with the most recent action. Selecting an action will undo or redo that action, plus all actions above it in the list.

Creating a new Equipment Touch screen file or open an existing file

- 1 Do one of the following:

To...	Select...
Create a new touchscreen file	File > New , then select Touchscreen .
Open an existing touchscreen file created in ViewBuilder	File > Open , then select the file. NOTE If the file is not listed, verify that the Files of Type selection lists Touchscreen files.

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- 2 Select **File > Save As**.

NOTE If using i-Vu® Pro, browse to **i-Vu_Pro_x.x\webroot\<system_name>\views\touchscreens**.

- 3 Type a **File name**, then click **Save**. ViewBuilder adds the **.touch** extension to your file name.

NOTES

- To record information about the file, select **Configure > View Properties**, then type your name and comments on the **Summary** tab. **Revision History** shows each time the file was saved and the workstation it was saved on.
- A **.touch** file (including all text, screens, images, and controls) is comprised of a set of compressed files and cannot exceed 512 KB. In addition, the total size of the uncompressed files cannot exceed 1MB and the size of any single uncompressed file cannot exceed 512KB.

Equipment Touch screen types

Every touchscreen file contains both custom and system screens. To navigate between the screens, you must provide a **Button**, **Text**, or **Image** control to act as a screen link. See *Equipment Touch controls and their properties* (page 110).

NOTE The **Home** and custom screens are editable; system screens are not editable. System screens are easily identified by their name appearing in blue in the Screens list.

Custom screens

Screen name	Description
<i>Standby</i>	If included in the touchscreen file, the Standby screen displays when the Equipment Touch has had no user activity for the time specified on the Inactivity Timeout screen. This screen is not interactive, and as soon as the user touches the screen, the Home screen displays. To include this screen in your file, check Include Standby Screen on the Screen Properties window. NOTE If you do not include a Standby screen, the Home screen displays after a period of inactivity.
<i>untitled</i>	A blank screen that you design, configure, and name. Add controls and buttons that link to the other screens.
<i>Home</i>	A screen that you design and configure. If you do not include a Standby screen (see above), the Home screen displays after a period of inactivity.

System screens

<i>System</i>	Displays the BACnet device instance number, the controller's time, temperature read from the Equipment Touch sensor, and zone color, and provides links to the <i>Module Status</i> , <i>Alarms</i> , <i>Trends</i> , <i>Schedules</i> , <i>Setup</i> , and <i>Browser</i> screens.
<i>Module Status</i>	Displays the following sections of a Module Status report: <i>Device Data</i> , <i>Driver Data</i> , <i>Reset Counters</i> , <i>System Errors</i> , <i>Warnings</i> , <i>Information</i> , <i>Hardware</i> , <i>Database</i> , <i>Network</i> .
<i>Schedule</i>	Lets the user view, add, edit, or delete BACnet schedules in the controller. NOTE The controller firmware has a setting to disallow adding, editing, or deleting schedules from the touchscreen device, limiting the user to only viewing schedules entered in the server.
<i>Setup</i>	Displays links to the <i>Module Setup</i> , <i>Touchscreen Setup</i> , and <i>Login</i> screens.
<i>Login</i>	Displays if the screen the operator selected requires a password.
<i>Alarm</i>	Lets the user view alarms from the controller. You must define the alarms in ViewBuilder to have them display. See <i>Setting up alarms</i> (page 137).
<i>Browser</i>	Provides links to the following network-visible BACnet object types found in the controller: <i>AI</i> , <i>AO</i> , <i>AV</i> , <i>BI</i> , <i>BO</i> , <i>BV</i> , <i>MSI</i> , <i>MSO</i> , <i>MSV</i> . Each list shows the BACnet Object Name, Current Value, and BACnet Object Instance number.
<i>IP</i>	Lets the user view or edit network addresses, if enabled by the driver. NOTE If the controller's driver does not support this screen, the button on the Module Setup screen will be inactive.

Screen name	Description
Router	<p>Lets the user view or edit the router's ARC156, MS/TP, or Ethernet network number.</p> <p>NOTE If the controller's driver does not support this screen, the button on the Module Setup screen will be inactive.</p>
Communication	<p>Lets the user edit the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BACnet Device Instance number Base BACnet Device ID number Auto Generate Device ID - Yes/No Number of Max Masters Number of Max Info Frames
Time Master	<p>If the controller can be a BACnet Time Master, this screen lets a technician configure how it sends time synchronization broadcasts.</p> <p>NOTE If the controller's driver does not support this screen, the button on the Module Setup screen will be inactive.</p>
Module Setup	<p>Displays links to the <i>Set Time and Date</i>, <i>Communication</i>, <i>Router</i>, <i>IP</i>, and <i>Time Master</i> screens.</p>
Touchscreen Setup	<p>Screen links:</p> <p>Inactivity Timeout - Lets the user define the time it will take for the touchscreen device to return to the Standby screen and log out the user when no activity is detected.</p> <p>About - Displays information about the touchscreen firmware.</p> <p>Clean Screen - Displays a screen with a one-minute countdown timer so that the user can clean fingerprints from the display window without touching something that would affect the operation of the controller.</p> <p>Key Click Off/On - A toggle button that turns the sound for screen touches off and on.</p> <p>Alarm Sound Off/On - A button that turns the sound for a critical alarm off.</p> <p>Reload Firmware - Erases the current firmware so that the user can load new firmware through the USB port.</p> <p>Language - If optional languages are defined in ViewBuilder when the touchscreen file is created, the Language screen lets the user select the language for displaying system screens. If custom screens are included in the touchscreen file, they will display in the language in which they are created.</p> <p>Passwords - Lets the user change the Admin or User password.</p> <p>Calibrate Touch Panel - Lets the user recalibrate the screen by touching targets.</p>
Trends	<p>Lets the user view trends for points that have trending enabled.</p>

NOTE System screens are a part of the touchscreen firmware. If a screen in the firmware is changed between releases of ViewBuilder, the ViewBuilder screen may look different than the actual touchscreen screen.

To customize the Home screen

- 1 Click the **Screens** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select **Home** from the list of screens.
- 3 Arrange the header items in the **Header Aspects** list:
 - Add or delete items by selecting or clearing the checkbox; all can be removed except the **Back** button.
 - Re-order the selected items as they appear on the header using the up and down arrows.
 - The **Alarm** button on the touchscreen appears red if in alarm state and gray if not.
- 4 *Password-protect* (page 134) this screen, if necessary.
- 5 *Add controls* (page 108) to the screen as necessary.
- 6 Edit the font and alignment in the **Control Properties** window for the currently selected control. If no control is selected, the properties window is empty.

To create additional screens

- 1 Click the **Screens** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Do one of the following:
 - In the **Screens** list, double-click *untitled*, then type a descriptive screen name.
 - Click  to add a new blank screen, then change its name.
 - Select an existing screen, click  to make a copy of it, then change the copy's name.
- 3 **NOTE** You cannot copy a system screen.
- 4 Edit the header and password level at the bottom.
- 5 Add controls.

NOTES

- To delete a screen, select the screen name, then click . You cannot delete the *Home* or system screens.
- To rearrange the screen's order in the list, select the screen name, then click  or .

To add navigation

To give a user the ability to move from one screen to another:

- 1 Add a linked **Button**, **Text**, or **Image** control.
- 2 In the **Control Properties** window, select a screen from the **Link to Screen** drop-down list.

NOTE The **Link to Screen** field is located on either the control's **Properties** window or on its **Link** tab .

- 3 To test the navigation, hold **F9** and click the linked control.

To save, assign, and download the touchscreen file

- 1 Save the .touch or .bacview file to a convenient location on your computer.

Then, in the i-Vu® interface:

- 2 Right-click the controller and select **Driver Properties** to attach the screen file.
- 3 **Download All Content** to the controller.

NOTE If the controller has an **Router Config Mode** DIP switch, make sure that this DIP switch is off when connecting a touchscreen device.

Adding controls to Equipment Touch screens

You can add controls to a touchscreen that allow you to display such things as date and time, text and graphics, and information about microblock properties.

To add a control

- 1 Click the **Add Control** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select the control you want to add.
- 3 Click in the workspace where you want to add the control.

NOTE To cancel the action, press **Esc** before clicking the workspace.

- 4 Edit properties for the control in the **Control Properties** window.



TIPS

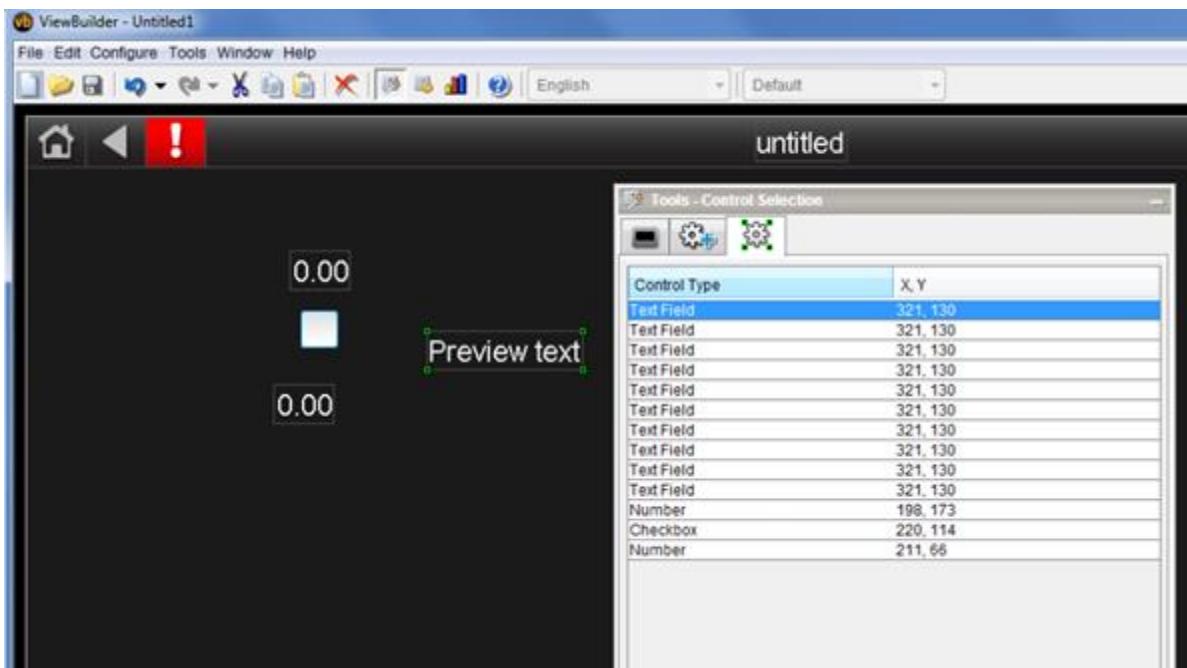
- To move a control, click and drag it to another location.
- To create a copy of a control, hold **Alt** while dragging the control.
- To add a control multiple times, select the control, then **Shift+click** the workspace for each copy.
- To delete a control, select the control and click  or press **Delete**.
- See *Equipment Touch screen controls and their properties* (page 110) for a description of each control.

NOTE Many factors affect how many controls you can put on a screen before exceeding memory limitations. You may be able to put as many as 130 simple controls (numbers, text, etc.) on a screen.

Selecting controls on the workspace

You can select a control on the workspace by simply clicking on it.

If you have added multiple controls stacked on top of each other (at the same x, y co-ordinates), you can use the **Control Selection** tab to shuffle through the controls and select one from the stack.



Control Type	X, Y
Text Field	321, 130
Number	198, 173
Checkbox	220, 114
Number	211, 66

To select a control from a stack

- 1 Click the **Control Selection** () tab in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select the control from the list.
- 3 View or edit the properties in the **Control Properties** window.



TIPS

- To move a control, click and drag it to another location.
- To create a copy of a control, hold **Alt** while dragging the control.
- To add a control multiple times, select the control, then **Shift+click** the workspace for each copy.
- To delete a control, select the control and click  or press **Delete**.

Equipment Touch screen controls and their properties

Each control, its usage, and the properties you define are described in the tables below. Many controls share the following properties and may appear on their own tab in the **Control Properties** window.

Condition	Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See <i>Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide</i> (page 131).
Font	Select font size, color, and alignment.
Link to Screen	Select a screen in the drop-list so that the control becomes a link to that screen. Hold F9 and click the control to test the link. See <i>Linking Equipment Touch screens</i> (page 129).

NOTE If a control will reference a BACnet Object, the point must be set as **Network Visible** in the Snap or i-Vu® application.

Controls

Use this control...	To...
 Text	Display text. See <i>Text and images on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 112).
 Text List	Display text based on a list of text values which are assigned to conditional values. The condition is tested against either a number, text, or a microblock property's value. The value whose Condition is true displays. See <i>Text and images on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 112) to add a Text List control to add conditions to the list.
 Number	Display any numerical value from an analog microblock. Example: Zone temperature. See <i>Number control on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 115).
 Duration	Display a time period. Example: Override time remaining. See <i>Duration control on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 116).
 Button	Display a navigation button that links to another screen. See <i>Linked button on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 117).
 On-Off-Auto	Provide a method to lock a binary input or output on, lock it off, or let the control program control it (Auto). Example: To control fans or pumps. See <i>On-Off-Auto control on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 117).
 Timed Local Override	Provide a method to view or edit a Timed Local Override. See <i>Timed Local Override control on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 118).
 Image	Display an image. See <i>Text and images on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 112).

Use this control...	To...
 Checkbox	Provide a method to choose between two states. See <i>Checkbox control on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 118).
 Time	Display time of day. See <i>Time control on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 119).
 Text Toggle	Display active and inactive text values for a binary microblock. Example: Chiller is enabled or disabled. See <i>Text Toggle control on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 120).
 View Port	Add controls or images to a resizable, scrollable container. See <i>View Port on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 121).
 Setpoint	Provide a method to view or edit setpoints. See <i>Setpoint control on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 123).
 Image List	Shows various states of an analog microblock using images. See <i>Text and images on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 112) to add an Image List control and define conditions.
 Radio Button	Provide a method to select one option from a set of alternatives. Example: Manual and Auto. See <i>Radio buttons on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 123).
 Date	Displays: <ul style="list-style-type: none">System date from the controller.A date, typically read from a History microblock. Example: Date of the highest zone temperature. See <i>Date control on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 124).
 Multi-State	Display the text values for multi-state microblocks. The Preview Text drop-list can also display the active and inactive text values for a binary microblock. Example: Units of measure (°F). See <i>Multi-State control on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 125).
 Table	Add controls or images to a resizable, scrollable table. See <i>Working with tables on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 126).
 Primary Value	Display any numerical value from an analog microblock in a larger font than other controls for readability. See <i>Primary Value control on an Equipment Touch screen</i> (page 128).

Text and images on Equipment Touch screens

You can add **Text** and **Image** controls to a touchscreen file.

Customize the Text control

- Make it a link to another screen on the **Link** tab . See *Linking Equipment Touch screens* (page 129).
- Change the font size, color, and alignment on the **Font** tab.
- Set the control to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path on its **Condition** tab . See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 131).

Customize the Image control

- Make it a link to another screen on the **Link** tab . See *Linking Equipment Touch screens* (page 129).
- Set the control to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path on its **Condition** tab . See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 131).

Text and Image Lists

You can also create lists of either text or images to assign different conditions to multiple values. Each condition is evaluated, one after another, and the first one to be evaluated as true is displayed on the touchscreen device. If none of the values are true, default text or a default image is displayed.

Text

To add text

- 1 Select the **Add Control** tab , click  **Text Field**, then click in the screen.
- 2 Double-click on **Preview** text inside the control's field, select the text to delete it, then type the text to be displayed on the touchscreen.
Optional: Copy text from another application, then paste it in the field.
- 3 Select **Word Wrapping** if text overflows the text field.
- 4 **NOTE** Text cannot extend past the constraint of the width of the control and borders of the display.
- 5 Click **OK**.

To add a Text List



- 1 Select the **Add Control** tab , click  **Text List**, then click in the screen.
- 2 In the **Default Value** field, type the text that will display if none of the conditions are true. Select one:
 - **Static Text** and type text to display.
 - **Path To Microblock Property** to display the **Preview Text**.
- 3 Click .
- 4 Select one:
 - **Static Text** and type text to display if the condition is true.
 - **Path To Microblock Property** and type the path to display the value from the microblock.
- 5 Select a condition or add a new one. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 131).
- 6 Check **Autosize** to adjust the size of the control to the length of the longest condition value displayed.
To manually adjust the width of the control, grab a handle on the left or right side of the control box:

- 7 Repeat steps 4–6 for additional conditions.

NOTES

- The **Text List** can be set up to use different text for each condition and can have different font style properties assigned to each one.
- See *Conditional items in a list* (page 114) to arrange the conditions according to which displays.

Images

To add an image



- 1 Select the **Add Control** tab , click  **Image**, then click in the screen.
- 2 Select a new image or click the **Active Images** tab to see images already used in the .touch file.
- 3 Click **OK**.
- 4 Click in the screen.
- 5 Click and drag a corner to resize it.

NOTE Hold **Shift** as you drag to maintain the image's proportions.

To add an Image List



- 1 Select the **Add Control** tab  , click  **Image List**, then click in the screen.
- 2 Select a new image or click the **Active Images** tab to see images already used in the .touch file.
This is the **Default Image** displayed when none of the other conditions is true or when a communication problem or issue occurs.
- 3 Click **OK**.
- 4 Click in the screen.
- 5 Click and drag a corner to resize it.
NOTE Hold **Shift** as you drag to maintain the image's proportions.
- 6 Click  to add an image that the control displays under normal conditions.
- 7 Select an image, then click **OK**.
- 8 Select a condition or add a new one. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 131).
- 9 Repeat steps 6–8 for additional conditions.

See *Conditional items in a list* (page 114) to arrange the conditions according to when each should display.

Conditional items in a list

Purpose:



Text List and **Image List** allow the operator to assign text or images to indicate different conditions. Each condition in the list is evaluated, one after another, and the first one to be evaluated as true will be displayed on the touchscreen device. If no expression returns true, the **Default Text** or **Default Image** is displayed.

For example, a damper can be displayed as Closed, Half-open, or Open depending on the **Show/Hide** conditions assigned to a microblock's property. Either  or  can be used to show these states.

- 1 Create a text list or image list.
- 2 Arrange your conditions using  and  to reorder the list.



TIPS

- The control property's window does not automatically expand, so you can resize it to display all items in the list.
- Click  to delete an image from the list.
- Click  to change the image assigned to a condition.

Number control on Equipment Touch screens

Purpose:

Display any numerical value from an analog microblock.

Example: Zone temperature.

Properties:

Path to Microblock Property—Enter the path to the microblock property you want the control to read from or write to. See *Defining paths for the touchscreen* (page 130).

Format—Select the appropriate number formatting, such as decimal places and comma separators.

Scaling Factor—To display a microblock property's value in a different format, type the necessary multiplication factor.

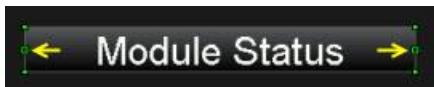
Example: To display watts as kilowatts, type .001 in this field.

Show Units—Check to display the unit associated with the property in the control program. The selected unit's value in the list are just to estimate size.

Editable—When selected, this field is outlined by a white box on the screen. When selected on the touchscreen device, a numeric keypad pops up allowing the user to enter a value.

Autosize—Check to adjust the size of the control to the length of the value displayed.

To manually adjust the width of the control, grab a handle on the left or right side of the control box:



Can Force CCN Value—UPC Open controller only - Check to allow the option in Equipment Touch to Force a CCN value. A Forced value is always outlined in yellow. When you check this option, the yellow outline appears in ViewBuilder so you can gauge the amount of extra room that the outline will take on your Equipment Touch screen.

Limits—To display a minimum/maximum range of values defined in the microblock or in the custom values fields.

Font tab:

Change the font size, color, and alignment on the **Font** tab.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 131)

Duration control on Equipment Touch screens

Purpose:

Display a time period.

Example: Override time remaining.

Properties:

Path to Microblock Property—Enter the path to the microblock property you want the control to read from or write to. See *Defining paths for the touchscreen* (page 130).

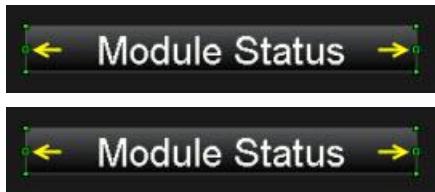
Microblock Unit—Select the microblock value's unit.

Editable—When selected, this field is outlined by a white box on the screen. When selected on the touchscreen device, a numeric keypad pops up allowing the user to enter a value.

Display Format—Select to display the format of the duration.

Autosize—Check to adjust the size of the control to the length of the value displayed.

To manually adjust the width of the control, grab a handle on the left or right side of the control box:



NOTES

- The **Duration** control must reference an analog value.
- This control's **Microblock Unit** must match the unit of the microblock value.
- Wire Lock microblocks output a value in milliseconds.

Linked button on Equipment Touch screens

Purpose:

Display a navigation button that links to another screen.

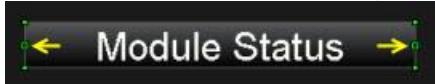
Properties:

Link to Screen—Select screen that you want the button to link to.

Use Custom Link Name—Select to use a custom name on the button.

Custom Link Name—Enter the name you want to appear on the link button. Resize the width of the button as needed.

NOTE Width of the control can be adjusted by grabbing a handle on the left or right side of the control box:



Font tab:

Change the font size, color, and alignment on the **Font** tab.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 131)

On-Off-Auto control on Equipment Touch screens

Purpose:

Provide a method to lock a binary input or output on, lock it off, or let the control program control it (Auto).

Example: To control fans or pumps.

Properties:

Path to Binary Microblock—Type the path in this field if this control is to read only one microblock.

Show As—Select the default to display on the touchscreen: On, Off, or Auto.

Use Advanced Path—Check if you want this control to read two microblocks, one for Auto and one for On/Off (Hand/Off). Enter the microblocks in the following fields.

- **Automatic Microblock Path**—The microblock that contains the Auto values.
- **Manual Microblock Path**—The microblock that contains the On/Off values.

TIP Best use for this control is when the Equipment Touch will serve as the front-end for the controller. If your system will have a i-Vu® front end and you use this control in both your .touch file and a .view file for the same equipment, the graphic in the i-Vu® system may not reflect changes made at the Equipment Touch unless the user initiates a parameter upload from the controller.

Timed Local Override control on Equipment Touch screens

Purpose:

Provide a method to override the occupied or unoccupied state of a piece of equipment from the touchscreen device.

Properties:

Path to Binary Microblock—Type the path in this field if this control is to read only one microblock.

Display Format—Choose to display time in AM/PM or 24 hour.

Always show time to next schedule transition (if unchecked, this will only show when overridden)—Select to always show next transition.

Show As—Select one of the following states to display on the equipment:

- **Occupied**
- **Unoccupied**
- **Occupied Override**

Checkbox control on Equipment Touch screens

Purpose:

Provide a graphical method to show or choose between two states.

Properties:

Path to Microblock Property—Enter the path to the microblock property you want the control to read from or write to. See *Defining paths for the touchscreen* (page 130).

Editable—When selected, the control is editable on the touchscreen device.

Show Selected—When selected, the control displays as "selected" in ViewBuilder

NOTE This doesn't affect how the control displays on the touchscreen device.

Can Force CCN Value—UPC Open controller only - Check to allow the option in Equipment Touch to Force a CCN value. A Forced value is always outlined in yellow. When you check this option, the yellow outline appears in ViewBuilder so you can gauge the amount of extra room that the outline will take on your Equipment Touch screen.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 131)

Time control on Equipment Touch screens

Purpose:

Display time of day.

Properties:

Use System Time—Check to use the time coming from the controller instead of the time pulled from the microblock.

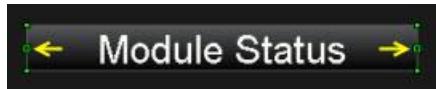
Display Format—Choose to display various time formats such as AM/PM, 24 hour, or minutes and seconds.

Editable—When selected, this field is outlined by a white box on the screen. When selected on the touchscreen device, a numeric keypad pops up allowing the user to enter a value.

For this type...	use this path...
equipment	<code>~device/driver/device/local_time</code>
area	<code><equipment_ref_name>/~device/driver/device/local_time</code>

Autosize—Check to adjust the size of the control to the length of the value displayed.

To manually adjust the width of the control, grab a handle on the left or right side of the control box:



Font tab:

Change the font size, color, and alignment on the **Font** tab.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 131)

Text Toggle control on Equipment Touch screens

Purpose:

Display active and inactive text values for a binary microblock.
Example: Chiller is enabled or disabled.

Properties:

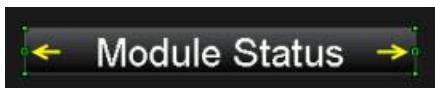
Path to Microblock Property—Enter the path to the microblock property you want the control to read from or write to. See *Defining paths for the touchscreen* (page 130).

Editable—When selected, this field is outlined by a white box on the screen. When selected on the touchscreen device, a numeric keypad pops up allowing the user to enter a value.

Preview Text—Text that is displayed only in ViewBuilder to help you place the control. Type the preview text or select from the drop-down list.

Autosize—Check to adjust the size of the control to the length of the value displayed.

To manually adjust the width of the control, grab a handle on the left or right side of the control box:



Can Force CCN Value—UPC Open controller only - Check to allow the option in Equipment Touch to Force a CCN value. A Forced value is always outlined in yellow. When you check this option, the yellow outline appears in ViewBuilder so you can gauge the amount of extra room that the outline will take on your Equipment Touch screen.

Font tab:

Change the font size, color, and alignment on the **Font** tab.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 131)

View Port on Equipment Touch screens

Purpose:

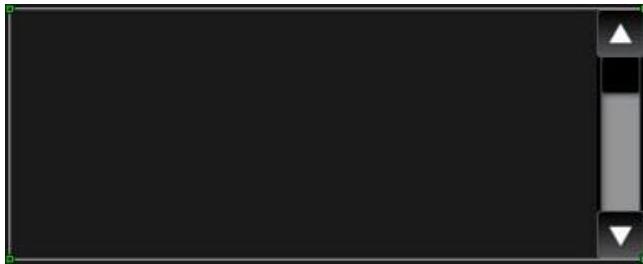
Increase the viewing area of a touchscreen device's window. The View Port's canvas can hold many more controls than the touchscreen can display at one time.

Controls and text are added to the canvas and horizontal and vertical scrollbars appear, as needed, allowing you to view the other areas of the canvas.

NOTE When the View Port control is initially placed on the canvas, the width is set to take up the full width of the screen and the height is set to fit between the header bar and buttons at the bottom of the screen.

Properties:

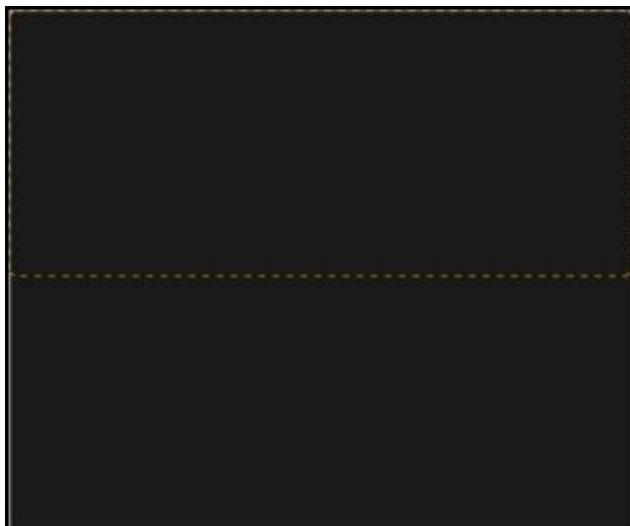
View Port window—Display area, including scrollbars, seen on the touchscreen device. The scrollbars allow the designer to see what the layout looks like on the touchscreen device.



To move the **View Port** window, click and drag the window.

To change the size of the View Port control, drag one of the green corner markers.

View Port Editor—The area outlined in white is the canvas design area and the area outlined in yellow is the display area visible on the touchscreen. The display area includes horizontal and vertical scrollbars.



To add a View Port

- 1 Select the **Add Control** tab  , click  . then click in the screen.
- 2 Click in the workspace to add the View Port.
- 3 Select a background color and click **Change**.
- 4 Uncheck **Border Enabled** if you do not want the borders to display.

To navigate in the View Port window

Scrollbars appear in the **View Port** window to allow you to navigate around to the areas outside of the visible area.

To navigate to regions outside of the display window, do one of the following:

- Hold down **F9** while clicking the up and down or right and left arrows.
- Hold down **F9** while dragging the black slider up and down or side to side.

To customize a View Port

To add content to the **View Port** control:

- 1 Double-click inside it to open the **View Port Editor**.
- 2 Drag and drop controls or images into the canvas.
- 3 Click **Close View Port Editor** to return to the touchscreen.

NOTE Any controls that are added to the main screen and not while in the **View Port Editor**, are not actually a part of the View Port, but are layered above or below the **View Port** control.

Setpoint control on Equipment Touch screens

Purpose:

Provide a method to view or edit setpoints from the touchscreen device.

- 1 Select the **Add Control** tab , click , then click in the screen.
- 2 Type the **Path to Setpoint Microblock** (this is the path to the Setpoint Microblock itself, not a property).
- 3 In the **Adjust** section, select to adjust either the **Setpoint Offset** or **Base Setpoint**:

Setpoint Offset	Select from Options to display or edit: Show Temperature Offset —Display Temperature Offset . Show Effective Setpoint —Select to display Always or When Adjusting . Show Both —Display Temperature Offset and Effective Setpoint .
Base Setpoint	Select to display the Effective Setpoint always or only when user is adjusting the setpoint.
- 4 Type the **Path To Occupied Status**—a path to a microblock property that provides the occupied state of a zone.
- 5 Type the **Path To HVAC Mode**—a path to a microblock property that provides the current mode of the HVAC system. For example, is it in Heat or Cool mode?

Radio buttons on Equipment Touch screens

Purpose:

Provide a method of selecting one option from a set of alternatives.

Example: Manual and Auto.

Enter the same **Path to Microblock Property** for each radio button in the set.

Properties:

Path to Microblock Property—Enter the path to the microblock property you want the control to read from or write to. See *Defining paths for the touchscreen* (page 130).

Editable—When selected, the radio buttons are interactive on the touchscreen device.

Radio Button Value—Type the value that represents the active or true state for this radio button.

For an analog microblock, type the specific value the button is to represent.

For a binary microblock, type `true` or `1` (depending on the property) for one button's value and `false` or `0` for the other button's value.

Show Selected—When selected, the control displays as "selected" in ViewBuilder

NOTE This doesn't affect how the control displays on the touchscreen device.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 131)

Date control on Equipment Touch screens

Purpose:

Display a date, typically read from a History microblock.
Example: Date of the highest zone temperature.

Properties:

Path to Microblock Property—Enter the path to the microblock property you want the control to read from or write to. See *Defining paths for the touchscreen* (page 130).

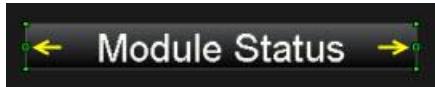
Use System Date—Check to use the System date, retrieved from the controller, instead of the date pulled from the microblock.

Date Format—Select the appropriate format.

For this type...	use this path...
equipment	~device/driver/device/local_date
area	<equipment_ref_name>/~device/driver/device/local_date

Editable—When selected, the control is editable on the touchscreen device.

Autosize—Check to adjust the size of the control to the length of the value displayed.
To manually adjust the width of the control, grab a handle on the left or right side of the control box:



Font tab:

Change the font size, color, and alignment on the **Font** tab.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 131)

Multi-State control on Equipment Touch screens

Purpose:

Display the text values for multi-state microblocks. The **Preview Text** drop-list can also display the active and inactive text values for a binary microblock.

Example: Units of measure (°F).

Properties:

Path to Microblock Property—Enter the path to the microblock property you want the control to read from or write to. See *Defining paths for the touchscreen* (page 130).

Editable—When selected, this field is outlined by a white box on the screen. When selected on the touchscreen device, a numeric keypad pops up allowing the user to enter a value.

Preview Text—Text that is displayed only in ViewBuilder to help you place the control. Type the preview text or select from the drop-down list.

Autosize—Check to adjust the size of the control to the length of the value displayed.

To manually adjust the width of the control, grab a handle on the left or right side of the control box:



Use Custom Defined States—Select to add analog values and display names to the list.

Font tab:

Change the font size, color, and alignment on the **Font** tab.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 131)

Working with tables on Equipment Touch screens

You can add a table to a touchscreen and then add controls or images in the table cells. To customize the table:

- Select the table to move it within the touchscreen display area.
- Adjust the size of the table by selecting the table and dragging one of the green corner markers.
- Change the background and border colors by clicking **Change**.

To add a table

- 1 Select the **Add Control** tab  , click  , then click in the screen.
- 2 Click in the workspace where you want to add the table.
- 3 Click **Change** to select a different background color.
- 4 Uncheck **Border Enabled** if you do not want the borders to display.

Adjusting the table

NOTE To add, delete, or adjust rows and columns, double-click inside the table to open the **Table Editor**.

To add a row or column to the end of a table:

- 1 Right-click anywhere in the table.
- 2 Select **Insert Row** or **Insert Column**.

To add a row or column before the last one:

- 1 Click column or row gray header bar to select it.
- 2 Right-click the gray header bar to insert one before the selected row or column.
- 3 Select **Insert Row** or **Insert Column**.

To delete a row or column:

- 1 Right-click its gray header bar.
- 2 Select **Delete Row** or **Delete Column**.

To adjust column width:

Drag the ends of the column's gray header bar.

NOTES

- A dashed yellow box outlines the perimeter of the table.
- As more controls are added, the table may become larger than will display on the touchscreen. Horizontal or vertical scrollbars appear and can be used to simulate what the user will be able to view in the table by pressing F9 and dragging the black box or scrollbars.
- Minimum width and height is 25 pixels.
- Row height is determined by the tallest control in the row.

To add a control to a table cell

- 1 Double-click the table in the touchscreen to open the **Table Editor**.



TIP If gray bars do not appear above each column and to the left of each row, the table is not active and cannot be edited. See note below.

- 2 Click the control in the **Tools** window.
- 3 Click the cell where you want to add the control.
- NOTE** Cell resizes to the area needed to display the control.
- 4 Enter the control's properties.
- 5 Click **Close Table Editor** to return to the touchscreen.

NOTE Adding controls to the touchscreen without opening the **Table Editor** places the control directly on the touchscreen—not in the table. The table will not resize accordingly and the control will be on a different layer than the table. See step 1 above.



TIPS

- To move an object and its condition, click and drag the item.
- To copy an object and its condition, hold down **Alt** as you drag the item.
- Objects moved or added into cells that have a show/high condition may or may not assume the condition. If you do not get the results you want, change the show/hide condition or click  to undo the action.
- Placing objects in a cell that already contains a control replaces the original object.

To align objects in a table

To align a control within its cell:

- 1 Double-click the control in the table to open the **Table Editor**.
- 2 Right-click a control and then select **Align**.
- 3 Select how you want to align it from the list.



TIP Ctrl-click to select multiple objects to align.

To align all controls within a row or column:

- 1 Select the row or column's gray bar.
- 2 Right-click and then select **Align**.
- 3 Select how you want to align it from the list.

To hide objects in a table

If you hide part of a row, the cells will be blank when the screen is viewed in the touchscreen device.

If you hide an entire row, the row will not appear on the screen when viewed in the touchscreen device.

Hide a control in a cell

- 1 Double-click the table to open the **Table Editor**.
- 2 Select the control you want to hide under certain circumstances.
- 3 In the **Control Properties** window, click the **Condition**  tab.
- 4 Select an existing condition from the list or create a new one.

Hide a row in a table

- 1 Double-click the table to open the **Table Editor**.
- 2 Select the gray bar of the row you want to hide under certain circumstances.
- 3 In the **Control Properties** window, click the **Row Condition**  tab.
- 4 Select an existing condition from the list or create a new one.

Primary Value control on Equipment Touch screens

Purpose:

Display any numerical value from an analog microblock in a larger font than other controls for readability.
Example: Zone temperature.

Properties:

Path to Microblock Property—Enter the path to the microblock property you want the control to read from or write to. See *Defining paths for the touchscreen* (page 130).

Format—Select the appropriate number formatting, such as decimal places and comma separators.

Show Units—Check to display the unit associated with the property in the control program. The selected unit's value in the list are just to estimate size.

Font tab:

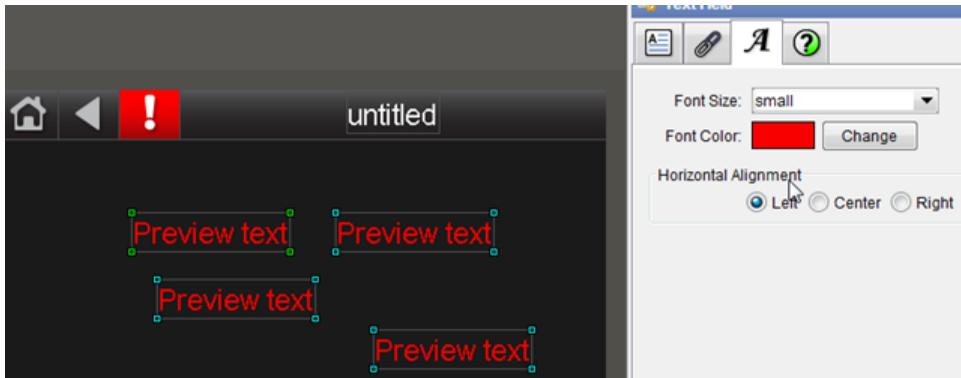
Change the font size, color, and alignment on the **Font** tab.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 131)

Changing a property on multiple items of the same control type

If you have multiple instances of a text field, text list, or button image on a screen, you can change the properties of any of them all at once. For example, to change the color of the font in the screen below, select all of the controls to be changed, then edit the property.



- 1 Select any controls on the screen's workspace.
- 2 Edit any properties, and click **OK**.

NOTE Only the fields that you edited are changed. All other fields in all the controls remain as they were.

Linking Equipment Touch screens

The **Link to Screen** drop-down list, which is located on either of the **Link** tabs ( or ), provides a way of moving from one screen to another in the touchscreen file by selecting a screen from the list. The link can be a button, text, or image.

- 1 Select the screen to link to, then save the file.
- 2 Hold **F9** and click the text, button, or image to test the link.

Defining paths for an Equipment Touch screen

A path tells the i-Vu® application the route through the system hierarchy to an item in the system. For example, a path tells the i-Vu® application where to find a microblock property value to display on a graphic or where to jump to when the operator clicks a link on a graphic.

In ViewBuilder, you use paths in controls and conditional expressions.

You can do one of the following to get the path:

- In the ViewBuilder interface, navigate to the point using the **System** dialog box.
- In the i-Vu® interface, determine the path for yourself. See *Determining a the path or microblock property* (page 79).

A path consists of the reference name of each tree item included in the path, separated by a forward slash (/). For example, first_floor/zone_1/lstat.

NOTES

- If this field is outlined in red, you entered invalid syntax or characters.
- See *Defining i-Vu® paths* (page 76) for more information on paths.

To define paths for .touch file

A path consists of the control program number, reference name, and property separated by a forward slash (/).

Example: cp1/zone_temp/zone_value.

You can determine the path in ViewBuilder or in the i-Vu® interface.

In ViewBuilder

The following applies only to an i-Vu® Pro database.

- 1 Click **System** on the toolbar.
- 2 Select the database, then click **Next**.
- 3 Enter or select your username and password, then click **Next**.
- 4 Select a device, then click **Show Device**.
- 5 Expand the control program, then select the point.

NOTE If the path appearing in the **Microblock Path** field contains a point different from the one needed, select from the **Property** drop-down list. If the point you need is not available in the list, determine the path from the i-Vu® interface; see below.

- 6 Click **Close System**.
- 7 Close the **System** window.
- 8 Right-click in the **Path To Microblock Property** field and click **Set Path Value**.

In the i-Vu® interface

Paths can be found on the **Properties**, or **Graphics** pages in the i-Vu® interface.

- 1 Right-click a value, then select **Global Modify**.
- 2 Copy the microblock and property from the **Expression** field, then paste into ViewBuilder's Show/Hide Conditional window's **Path to Microblock Property** field.
- 3 Place your cursor in front of the path and type the control program number followed by a "/" into the **Path to Microblock Property** field.

Setting items on an Equipment Touch to show/hide

You can set a control, or an item in a control such as a table row or cell, to show or hide on the touchscreen device based on the user's password level or by creating a conditional expression that tests the value of a microblock property.

You can also create a set of expressions using the **Text List** or **Image List** controls to indicate different conditions of the microblock property. See *Conditional items in a list* (page 114).

EXAMPLE To display various states in a damper, you can create a series of expressions ranging from Open to Closed with various states in between. These states could be displayed in various ways:

- Using a **Text List**: Closed, Half-Open, Open
- Using a **Text List** with colored font: Closed indicated by red, Half-Open by yellow, Open by green
- Using an **Image List** using images of the damper in each of the states

To set items to show/hide

Based on the user's password level

- 1 Select the item(s) you want to show/hide.
- 2 Click the **Condition**  tab.
- 3 From the **Condition** drop-down list, select one of the following:
 - **Logged In as User** to show the items only when user is logged in with the User password
 - **Logged In as Admin** to show the items only when user is logged in with the Admin password

NOTE See *Password-protecting a touchscreen* (page 134) for information on the Admin and User passwords.

- 4 Click **OK**.

Based on a microblock property's value

- 1 Select the item(s) you want to show/hide.



TIP To add conditional expressions to the list, see *To add a condition to an Equipment Touch screen* (page 132).

- 2 Click the **Condition**  tab.
- 3 From the **Condition** drop-down list, select a custom condition to show when the condition is true.
- 4 Click **OK**.

To add a condition to an Equipment Touch screen file

- 1 In the **Control Properties** window, click the **Condition**  tab.
- 2 Click .
- 3 Type the path to the microblock's property; see *To define paths for .touch file* (page 130).
- 4 Select an operator (page 133) from the drop-down list.
- 5 Optional: If selecting an operator other than **Is TRUE** or **Is FALSE**, select an option in the **Value 2** field and enter a value in the box.
- 6 Click **OK**.

To edit a show/hide condition

- 1 Select the control whose condition you want to edit or remove.
- 2 Click the **Condition**  tab.
- 3 Select the condition to edit from the **Condition** drop-down list.
- 4 Click the **Condition**  button.
- 5 In the **Value 1** field, enter the path to the microblock property.
- 6 Select an operator from the drop-down list.
- 7 In the **Value 2** field, select an option and enter the value.

NOTE This field is active only if you selected an operator other than **Is TRUE** or **Is FALSE** in step 6.

- 8 Select one of the following:
 - **Selected Item Only** to have the change apply only to the item you opened the **Show/Hide Condition** window from. The new condition is added to the **Condition** list when you close the window.
 - **Wherever Used** to have the change apply to all controls using this condition.
- 9 Click **OK**.

To remove a condition from a control

1 Select the control whose condition you want to remove.

2 Click the **Condition**  tab.

3 Select **None** from the **Condition** drop-down list.

NOTE You cannot remove a condition from the list. But, if it is not assigned to anything, ViewBuilder removes it from the list the next time you close the file.

Operators

An operator defines how each piece of an expression is to be handled. For example, an operator can compare or perform an action between the value of a microblock property, a literal value, or the result of an expression. The following table lists operators that can be used in expressions.

NOTE Only one operator can be used at a time. For example, it is not possible for the touchscreen to put ">30 and <60".

Operators that return true/false

is TRUE	Is true	Compares data. Returns true if the value of the expression or condition is true.
is FALSE	Is false	Compares data. Returns true if the value of the expression or condition is false.
==	Equal to	Compares data. Returns true if the value on both sides of the operator are equal.
!=	Not equal to	Compares data. Returns true if the value to the left of the operator does not match the value to the right.
>	Greater than	Compares numeric data. Returns true if the value to the left of the operator is larger than the value to the right.
>=	Greater than or equal to	Compares numeric data. Returns true if the value to the left of the operator is larger than or equal to the value to the right.
<	Less than	Compares numeric data. Returns true if the value to the left of the operator is smaller than the value to the right.
<=	Less than or equal to	Compares numeric data. Returns true if the value to the left of the operator is smaller than or equal to the value to the right.

Password-protecting an Equipment Touch

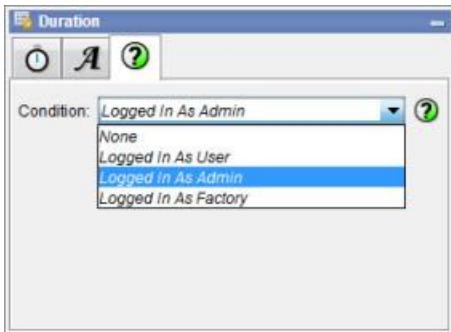
To provide security for your touchscreen device, you can assign different password levels to your screens and to individual controls, values, or objects. Security levels are set on the **Tools > Screens** dialog box and on the control's **Condition** tab.

A user with this password level...	Can view or gain access to all screens, controls, values, or objects...
Factory	regardless of security levels assigned. NOTE This password is intended for a factory-authorized technician and can only be changed in the ViewBuilder application.
Admin	except those that have Factory assigned.
User	except those that have Factory or Admin assigned. NOTE A touchscreen device has a single User password shared by its operators.
None	that have no security level assigned to them. NOTE No password required.

To assign a security level to a control

- 1 With a control selected, click the **Condition** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select a security level from the **Condition** drop-list.
- 3 Click **File > Save**.

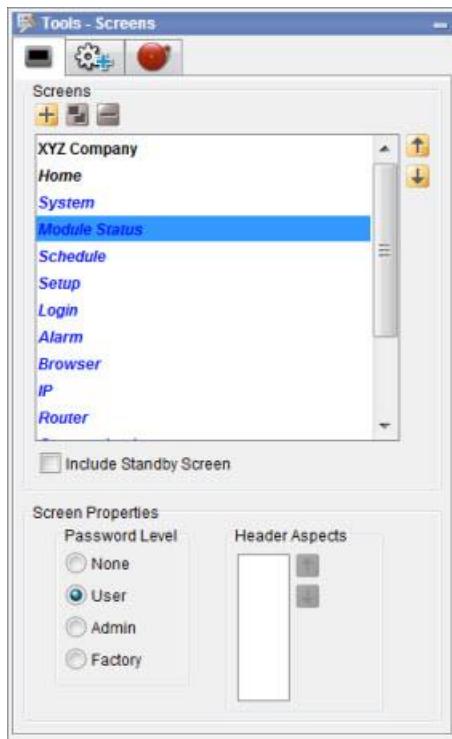
Example: **Duration** control set to **Admin**.



To assign a security level to a screen

- 1 On the **Tools > Screens** dialog box, select the screen.
- 2 Select one of the password levels.
- 3 Click **File > Save**.

Example: **Module Status** screen set to **User**.



To create a Factory password for a touchscreen

- 1 Select **Configure > View Properties**.
- 2 Type a valid password in the **Factory Password** field and confirm it.
- 3 Click **OK**.

Create, edit, or lock the **Admin** and **User** passwords using the instructions below.

To allow password management on a touchscreen

To allow passwords to be changed on a touchscreen device:

- 1 Select **Configure > View Properties**.
- 2 Check **Allow password management on touchscreen**.
- 3 Check the **Reset touchscreen to these passwords**.
- 4 Type or edit valid passwords in the **User** and **Admin Password** fields.
- 5 Click **OK**.

To lock passwords on a touchscreen

To lock the User and Admin passwords on a touchscreen device:

- 1 Select **Configure > View Properties**.
- 2 Check **Always use these passwords**.
- 3 Type or edit valid passwords in the **User** and **Admin Password** fields.
- 4 Click **OK**.

Setting up alarms for Equipment Touch devices

The touchscreen device's buzzer sounds when the alarm is set up in the .touch file with the **Horn** option selected. You set up an alarm on the **Alarms** tab in the **Tools** window. A user can view the alarm description on the **ALARM** screen.

To set up an alarm:



- 1 Click the **Alarms** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Click the  to add an alarm.
 **TIP** To add all alarms from a control program, click , select the control program, then click **Open**.
- 3 Double-click that alarm's **Alarm ID** cell, then change the existing text to the alarm's BACnet Object ID.
- 4 Double-click the alarm's **Description** cell, then change the existing text to the description you want to appear on the **ALARM** screen.
- 5 Double-click to check the **Use Horn?** option; this allows the touchscreen device to audibly notify an operator when it receives an alarm.

NOTES

- To delete an alarm, select the alarm, then click .
- Click a column heading on the **Alarms** tab to sort the alarms.
- You should enable each alarm's **Return to Normal** field in the i-Vu® interface to prevent the Alarm buzzer from remaining on until an operator can clear the alarm.

Creating non-English Equipment Touch screens

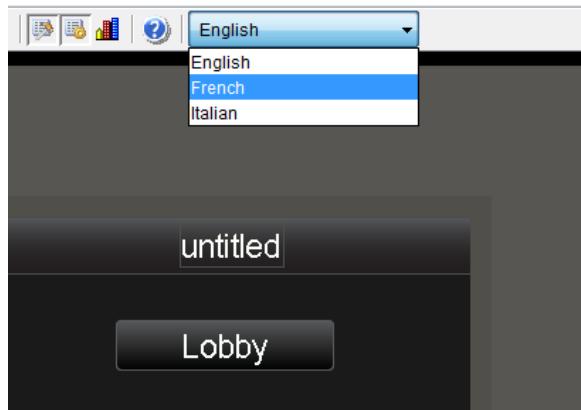
NOTE If the non-English language uses non-ASCII characters, the names of your touchscreen file and any inserted image files must contain only ASCII characters.

To create a touchscreen file that can show multiple languages, use one of the following methods to create the non-English screens in ViewBuilder.

- *Add the non-English text in the ViewBuilder interface (page 138)*
- *Export a language file, translate the terms, then import the new language file (page 139)*

To add non-English text in the ViewBuilder interface

- 1 Select **Configure > View Properties**.
- 2 Under **Supported Languages**, select the languages you want to use in the touchscreen file. The languages you select will appear in the dropdown on ViewBuilder's toolbar.
- CAUTION** Do not uncheck **English**. Although you may not use this language in your screen file, some versions of the touchscreen device's firmware require that English be checked.
- 3 Click **OK**.
- 4 On ViewBuilder's toolbar, select the active language you want to use.



- 5 Create the screens, typing all static text in the language you selected in step 4.
- 6 If you want the touchscreen device to display multiple languages, select another language in the active language dropdown.
- 7 Select each control in the project and type its text in the new language.

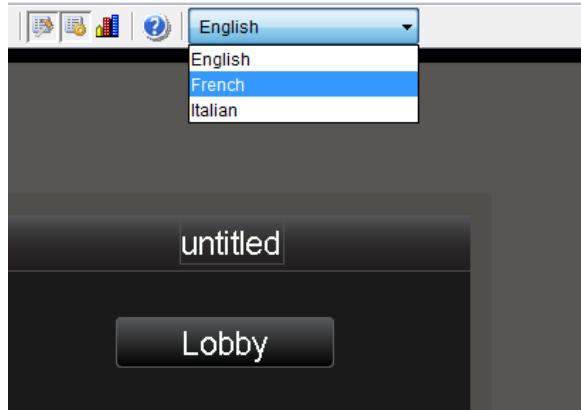
TIP You can switch back and forth between the languages in the dropdown to verify the current screen's text in the different languages.

- 8 Save your touchscreen file.

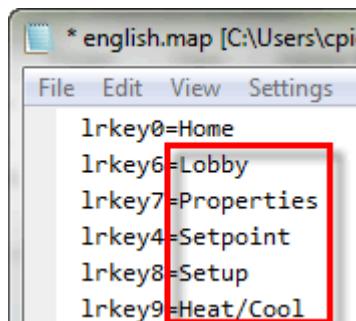
NOTE Some controls, such as the Date control, have formatting that might differ in various parts of the world. Be sure to select the appropriate format for the active language you selected.

To export/import language files

- 1 On ViewBuilder's toolbar, select the active language you want to use.



- 2 Create the screens, typing all static text in the language you selected in step 1.
- 3 Select **Configure > View Properties > Languages**.
- 4 In the **Supported Languages** section, select the language to be exported and click [Export].
The file is exported to `i-Vu_Pro_x.x\webroot\language_resources\language.map`, where *language* is the actual name of the language. For example, `english.map`.
TIP In the window that appears, highlight the path, and then press **Ctrl+C** to copy it. You can later paste it into Windows Explorer to locate the file.
- 5 Click **OK**.
- 6 In Windows Explorer, locate and open the *language.map* file in a text editor such as Notepad.
- 7 Translate each term into the language you want to use.



- 8 Save the file to `i-Vu_Pro_x.x\webroot\language_resources\language.map`, replacing *language* with the actual language name. For example, `french.map`.
- 9 Repeat steps 5–7 for any other languages the touchscreen device is to display.
- 10 Select **Configure > View Properties > Languages**.
- 11 In the **Supported Languages** section, click **Import**.
- 12 Browse to the language file(s) stored in step 8 above.

- 13 Select the language file(s) to be imported and click **Import**.
- 14 The import process adds the language(s) to the project's supported languages and to the toolbar dropdown. Select each language in the dropdown and then view each screen to verify the controls are spaced correctly and do not overlap.
- 15 Save your touchscreen file.

Working with Custom Equipment Touch screens

ViewBuilder's Custom Equipment Touch feature allows you to create custom-sized Equipment Touch screens to display on the TruVu™ ET Display or mobile devices using the Equipment Touch application.

In ViewBuilder, you:

- Create the screens that the touchscreen application displays
- Test the navigation between screens
- Save the screens in a single .touch file that will be displayed on the TruVu™ ET Display or a mobile device



To create your screens

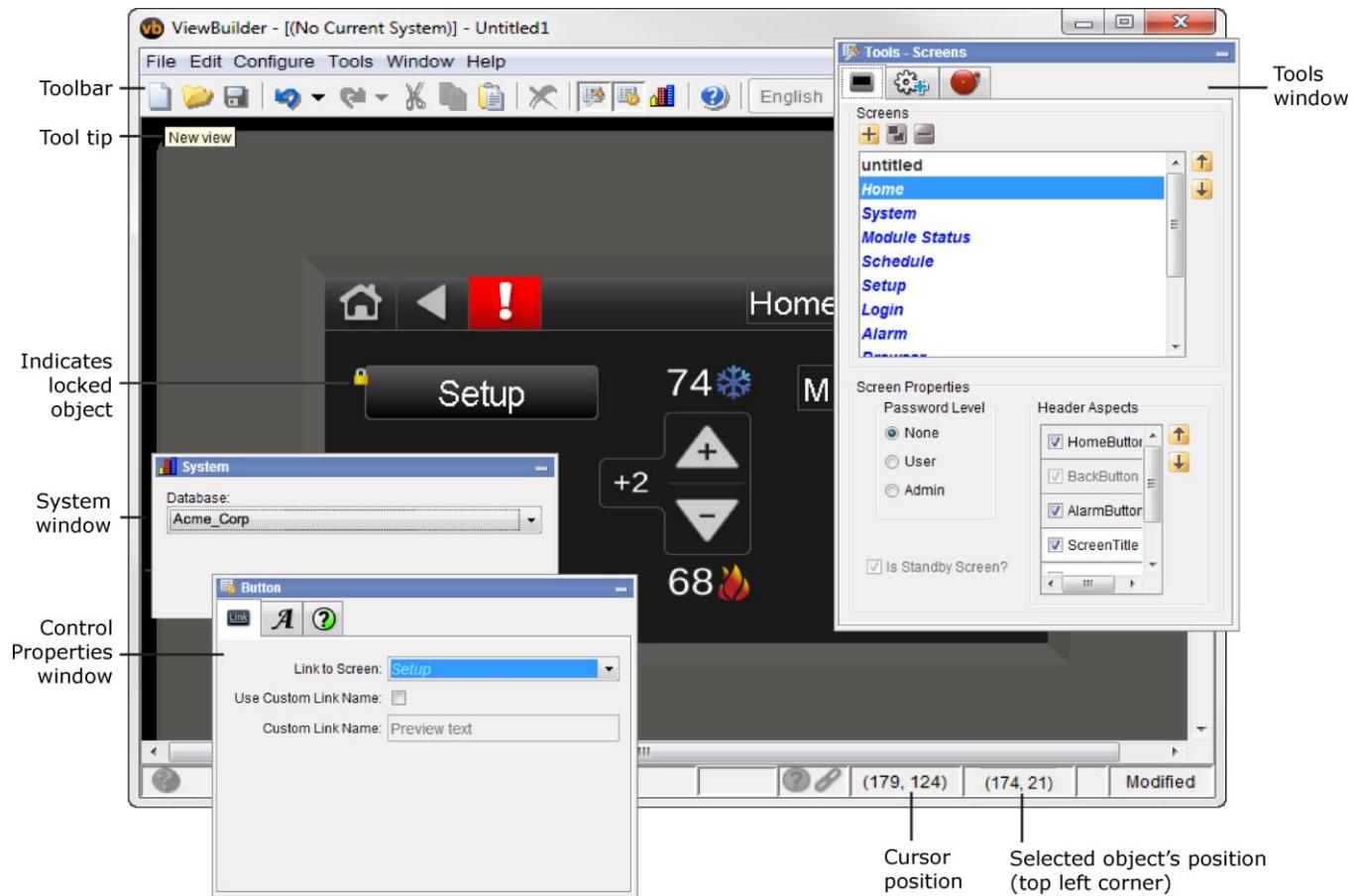
- 1 Make a new touchscreen file or open an existing file (page 144).
- 2 Edit the Home screen (page 146).
- 3 Add controls (page 151).

The following features can be added to your screens in much the same manner as to the Equipment Touch screens:

- Make additional screens (page 107).
- Add navigation (page 107).
- Set up alarms (page 137).
- Add support for multiple languages (page 137).
- Link touchscreens (page 129) to move from one screen to another in the touchscreen file using a button, an image, or text.
- Defining paths for a touchscreen (page 130) to use paths and conditional expressions in the touchscreen file.
- Set items to show/hide (page 131) in the touchscreen file.
- Password-protecting a touchscreen file (page 134).
- Save, assign, and download the touchscreen file (page 108).

Getting to know ViewBuilder's custom touchscreen interface

You make a touchscreen file in ViewBuilder using a simulation of the touchscreen device. You design your screens directly in the display area, and you set up linked buttons to navigate between the screens.



Creating screens for custom-sized devices

When you select Custom Equipment Touch view type, you can specify the width, height, and pixel density of the device the screen is being created for. Changing the screen area dimensions allows you to take advantage of any extra real estate the target device offers. The file created is downloaded to a controller, or directly to the TruVu™ ET Display, and can be displayed on the TruVu™ ET Display or a mobile device using the Equipment Touch application.

NOTES:

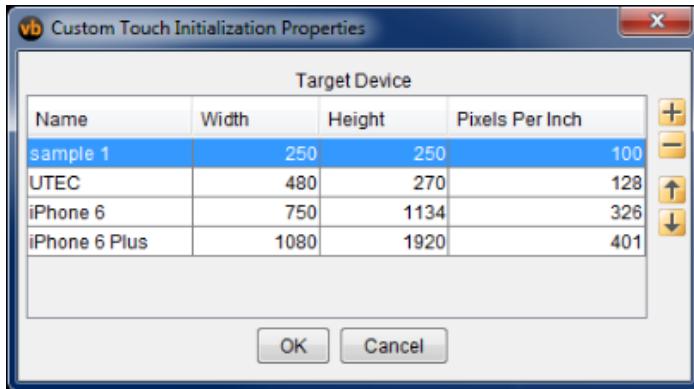
- Custom Equipment Touch files are not supported by the standard Equipment Touch or System Touch, and should only be used if the interface is either the TruVu™ ET Display or a mobile device using the Equipment Touch application.
- The Custom Equipment Touch file removes many of the limitations of the standard Equipment Touch file size while allowing alpha-transparency. If animated .gifs are used, the animation does not run.
- The Equipment Touch app is available through the Google Play™ store.

To set the screen size

1 **File > New**, then select **Custom Equipment Touch**.

2 Select an item from the **Target Device** list.

NOTE If you need a size not listed, you can add a custom size (see below).



3 Click **OK**.

 **TIP** Rearrange the order of the items in the list by selecting an item and clicking  or .

To create a new Target Device item

- 1 Click the  to add a new mobile device size.
- 2 Enter the device name, width, height, and resolution.
- 3 Rearrange the order of the items in the list, if needed.
- 4 Click **OK**.

NOTE For TruVu™ ET Display dimensions and ppi values, see the TruVu™ ET Display Installation and User Guide.

Creating a new Custom Equipment Touch screen file or opening an existing file

- 1 Do one of the following:

To...	Select...
Create a new touchscreen file	File > New , then select Custom Equipment Touch .
Open an existing touchscreen file created in ViewBuilder	File > Open , then select the file. NOTE If the file is not listed, verify that the Files of Type selection lists Touchscreen files.

- 2 Select **File > Save As**.
- 3 Browse to **I-Vu_Pro_x.x\webroot\<system_name>\views\touchscreens**.
- 4 Type a **File name**, then click **Save**. ViewBuilder adds the **.touch** extension to your file name.

NOTE To record information about the file, select **Configure > View Properties**, then type your name and comments on the **Summary** tab. **Revision History** shows each time the file was saved and the workstation it was saved on.

Custom Equipment Touch screen types

Every touchscreen file contains both custom and system screens. To navigate between the screens, you must provide a **Button**, **Text**, or **Image** control to act as a screen link. See *Custom Equipment Touch controls and their properties* (page 153).

NOTE The **Home** and custom screens are editable; system screens are not editable. System screens are easily identified by their name appearing in blue in the Screens list.

Custom screens

Screen name	Description
Standby	If included in the touchscreen file, the Standby screen displays when the Equipment Touch has had no user activity for the time specified on the Inactivity Timeout screen. This screen is not interactive, and as soon as the user touches the screen, the Home screen displays. To include this screen in your file, check Include Standby Screen on the Screen Properties window. NOTE If you do not include a Standby screen, the Home screen displays after a period of inactivity.
untitled	A blank screen that you design, configure, and name. Add controls and buttons that link to the other screens.
Home	A screen that you design and configure. If you do not include a Standby screen (see above), the Home screen displays after a period of inactivity.

System screens

Module Status	Displays the following sections of a Module Status report: <i>Device Data</i> , <i>Driver Data</i> , <i>Reset Counters</i> , <i>System Errors</i> , <i>Warnings</i> , <i>Information</i> , <i>Hardware</i> , <i>Database</i> , <i>Network</i> .
Schedule	Lets the user view, add, edit, or delete BACnet schedules in the controller. NOTE The controller firmware has a setting to disallow adding, editing, or deleting schedules from the touchscreen device, limiting the user to only viewing schedules entered in the server.
Login	Displays if the screen the operator selected requires a password.
Alarm	Lets the user view alarms from the controller. You must define the alarms in ViewBuilder to have them display. See <i>Setting up alarms</i> (page 137).
Browser	Provides links to the following network-visible BACnet object types found in the controller: <i>AI</i> , <i>AO</i> , <i>AV</i> , <i>BI</i> , <i>BO</i> , <i>BV</i> , <i>MSI</i> , <i>MSO</i> , <i>MSV</i> . Each list shows the BACnet Object Name, Current Value, and BACnet Object Instance number.
IP	Lets the user view or edit network addresses, if enabled by the driver. NOTE If the controller's driver does not support this screen, the button on the Module Setup screen will be inactive.
Router	Lets the user view or edit the router's ARC156, MS/TP, or Ethernet network number. NOTE If the controller's driver does not support this screen, the button on the Module Setup screen will be inactive.

<i>Communication</i>	Lets the user edit the following: BACnet Device Instance number Base BACnet Device ID number Auto Generate Device ID - Yes/No Number of Max Masters Number of Max Info Frames
<i>Time Master</i>	If the controller can be a BACnet Time Master, this screen lets a technician configure how it sends time synchronization broadcasts. NOTE If the controller's driver does not support this screen, the button on the Module Setup screen will be inactive.
<i>Module Setup</i>	Displays links to the Set Time and Date, Communication, Router, IP, and Time Master screens.
<i>Password</i>	Lets the user change the Admin or User password.
<i>Schedule Groups</i>	Lets the user create or delete Schedule Groups in the system.
<i>Sensor Setup</i>	Lets the user set up System Touch temperature and humidity sensors.
<i>Trends</i>	Lets the user view trends for points that have trending enabled.

NOTE System screens are a part of the touchscreen firmware. If a screen in the firmware is changed between releases of ViewBuilder, the ViewBuilder screen may look different than the actual touchscreen screen.

To customize the Home screen

- 1 Click the **Screens** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select **Home** from the list of screens.
- 3 Add or delete the standard items that will appear on the header by selecting or clearing the checkbox; all can be removed except the **Back** button.
- 4 Arrange the standard items in the **Header Aspects** list:
 - The **Alarm** button on the touchscreen appears red if in alarm state and gray if not.
 - Re-order the selected items as they appear on the header using the up and down arrows. The **Screen Title**, **Date**, and **Time** aspects can be re-ordered.
 - If you add the **Connection**  button to the header, press and hold **F9** and the **Connection** button to test the link to the new **Connection** screen.
- 5 Add Custom Buttons to the header, if needed. Custom Buttons appear to the right.
- 6 Password-protect this screen, if necessary.
- 7 Add controls to the screen as necessary.
- 8 Edit the font and alignment in the **Control Properties** window for the currently selected control. If no control is selected, the **Properties** window is empty.

To add a Custom Button to the screen header

You can add up to two custom buttons to the header of a screen by assigning a graphic, a name, and screen the button links to.

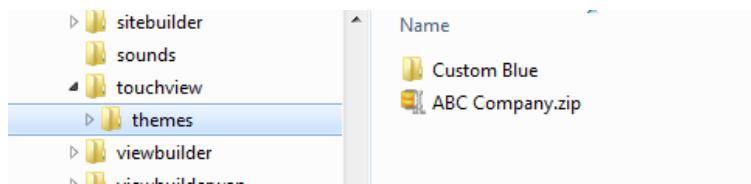
- 1 In ViewBuilder, select **Configure > View Properties > Header**.
- 2 Type the button name that will appear in the **Header Aspects** list on the **Screens** tab in the **Tools** window.
- 3 Click the image placeholder, browse to the image file, then select the file.
- 4 Select a screen from the **Link to Screen** droplist, then click **OK**.
- 5 Repeat steps 1-4 if you are adding a second **Custom Button**.

NOTE Custom Buttons appear on the right side of the header and their order cannot be re-arranged.

To create and apply a theme

- 1 In the system **resources** folder, create subfolder called **touchview**, and another inside of it called **themes**. You must store your custom images here in either subfolders or in .zip files.

Example: Below are two new custom themes: Custom Blue and ABC Company.



- 2 Using an SVG editor, create customized versions of images and place them in the **themes** folder.

NOTES

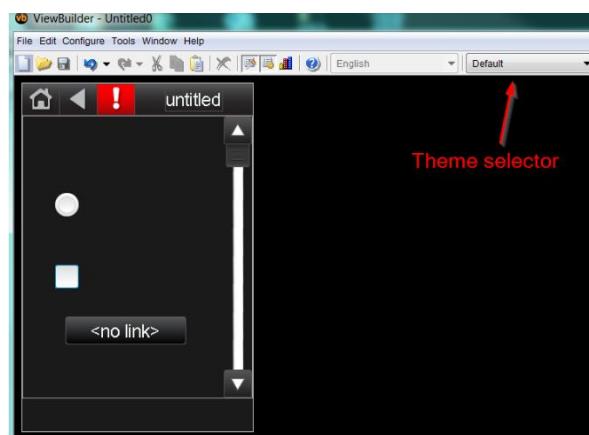
- o To determine the filenames and dimensions of the images, see "To create a themed image" below
- o See the guidelines provided in *Supporting .svg files* (page 156) regarding filenames, height, width, and aspect ratio restrictions
- o Themed images are not required to be .svg format, but is recommended for scalability

- 3 Add any additional images; see the guidelines provided in *Supporting .svg files* (page 156).

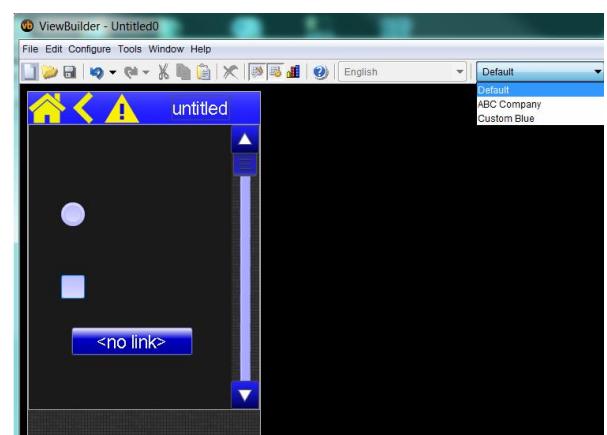
- 4 Restart ViewBuilder.

- 5 Select the theme from the **Theme** selector dropdown to view the changes.

Default theme files



New custom theme files



To create a themed image

You can create different images for each theme. For example, you can create a blue version



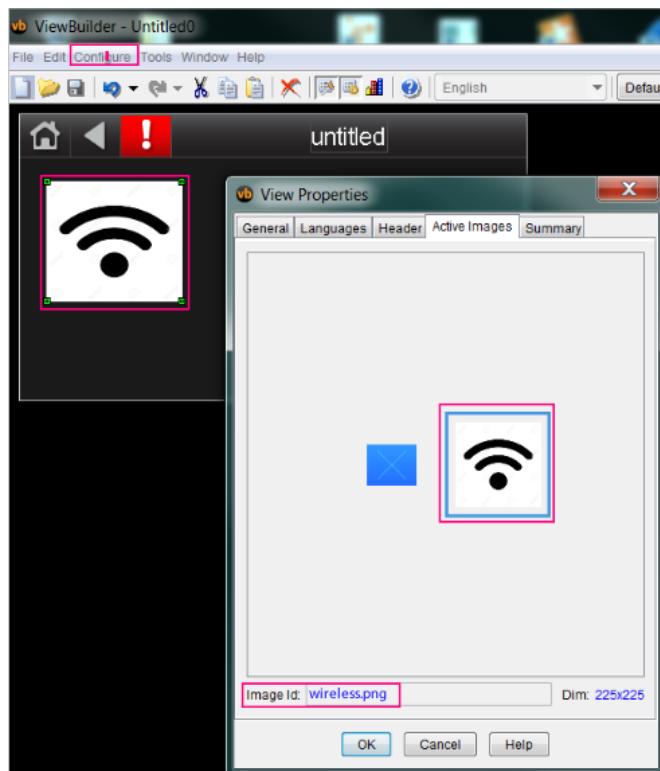
of the default

wireless image



shown below.

- 1 Select the image control on the workspace.
- 2 To view the image name and dimensions, click **Configure > View Properties > Active Images**. Note the filename and dimensions at the bottom of the control's dialog.



- 3 Create a new image with the same name and dimensions for the new theme. Save the new image in the appropriate theme folder or .zip file.

To create additional screens

- 1 Click the **Screens** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Do one of the following:
 - o In the **Screens** list, double-click *untitled*, then type a descriptive screen name.
 - o Click  to add a new blank screen, then change its name.
 - o Select an existing screen, click  to make a copy of it, then change the copy's name.
- 3 **NOTE** You cannot copy a system screen.
- 4 Edit the header and password level at the bottom.
- 5 Add controls.

NOTES

- To delete a screen, select the screen name, then click . You cannot delete the *Home* or system screens.
- To rearrange the screen's order in the list, select the screen name, then click  or .

To add navigation

To give a user the ability to move from one screen to another:

- 1 Add a linked **Button**, **Text**, or **Image** control.
- 2 In the **Control Properties** window, select a screen from the **Link to Screen** drop-down list.

NOTE The **Link to Screen** field is located on either the control's **Properties** window or on its **Link** tab .

- 3 To test the navigation, hold **F9** and click the linked control.

To prevent the .touch file from downloading to a controller

- 1 Save the .touch file to a convenient location on your computer.
- 2 In the i-Vu® interface, right-click the controller and select **Driver Properties** to attach the screen file.
- 3 **Download All Content** to the controller.

NOTES

- If the controller has an **Router Config Mode** DIP switch, make sure that this DIP switch is off when connecting a touchscreen device.
- If the .touch file contains many screens or large images that cause the file to become too large for the controller's memory, you can download only the name of the .touch file to the controller instead of the entire file. Go to **Configure > View Properties**, and check **Exclude source from download** on the **General** tab. If you check this box, you will need to manually copy the .touch file to your device using a USB drive. If the device is an EQT2, the device will copy the file to the correct location. If the device is a handheld mobile Android device, you will need to copy the file to the **Device Storage > Touchfiles** folder.

Adding controls to Custom Equipment Touch screens

You can add controls to a touchscreen that allow you to display such things as date and time, text and graphics, and information about microblock properties.

To add a control

- 1 Click the **Add Control** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select the control you want to add.
- 3 Click in the workspace where you want to add the control.

NOTE To cancel the action, press **Esc** before clicking the workspace.

- 4 Edit properties for the control in the **Control Properties** window.



TIPS

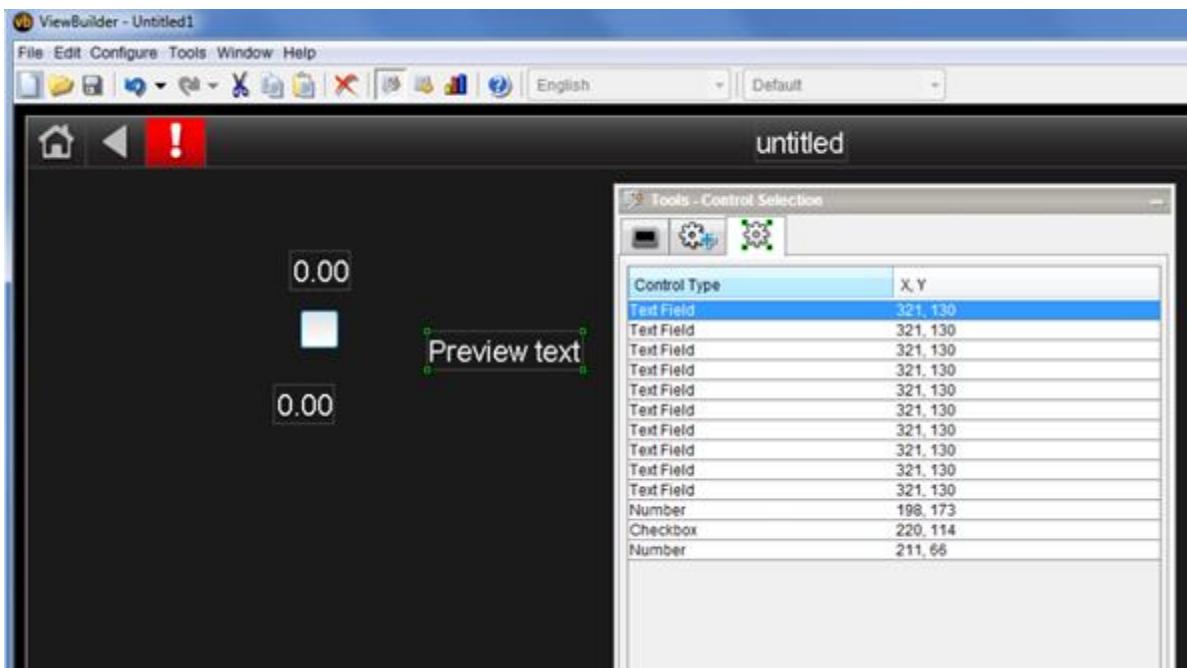
- To move a control, click and drag it to another location.
- To create a copy of a control, hold **Alt** while dragging the control.
- To add a control multiple times, select the control, then **Shift+click** the workspace for each copy.
- To delete a control, select the control and click  or press **Delete**.
- See *Custom Equipment Touch screen controls and their properties* (page 153) for a description of each control.

NOTE Many factors affect how many controls you can put on a screen before exceeding memory limitations. You may be able to put as many as 130 simple controls (numbers, text, etc.) on a screen.

Selecting controls on the workspace

You can select a control on the workspace by simply clicking on it.

If you have added multiple controls stacked on top of each other (at the same x, y co-ordinates), you can use the **Control Selection** tab to shuffle through the controls and select one from the stack.



To select a control from a stack

- 1 Click the **Control Selection** () tab in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select the control from the list.
- 3 View or edit the properties in the **Control Properties** window.



TIPS

- To move a control, click and drag it to another location.
- To create a copy of a control, hold **Alt** while dragging the control.
- To add a control multiple times, select the control, then **Shift+click** the workspace for each copy.
- To delete a control, select the control and click  or press **Delete**.

Custom Equipment Touch screen controls and their properties

Each control, its usage, and the properties you define are described in the tables below. Many controls share the following properties and may appear on their own tab in the **Control Properties** window.

Condition	Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See <i>Setting items on a custom touchscreen to show/hide</i> (page 131).
Font	Select font size, color, and alignment.
Link to Screen	Select a screen in the drop-list so that the control becomes a link to that screen. Hold F9 and click the control to test the link. See <i>Linking Equipment Touch screens</i> (page 129).

NOTE If a control will reference a BACnet Object, the point must be set as **Network Visible** in the Snap or i-Vu® application.

Controls

Custom Equipment Touch controls are the same as those used for the Equipment Touch except for the additional Hotspot control below.

Use this control...	To...
 Hotspot	Create a resizable hot spot that links to another screen; lay the hot spot on top of any non-linkable control, such as an image. NOTE This control is only available for a Custom Equipment Touch file. See <i>Hotspot control on a Custom Equipment Touch</i> (page 155).
 Text	Display text. See <i>Text and images</i> (page 112) control.
 Text List	Display text based on a list of text values which are assigned to conditional values. The condition is tested against either a number, text, or a microblock property's value. The value whose Condition is true displays. See <i>Text and images</i> (page 112) control to add a Text List control to add conditions to the list.
 Number	Display any numerical value from an analog microblock. Example: Zone temperature. See <i>Number</i> (page 115) control.
 Duration	Display a time period. Example: Override time remaining. See <i>Duration</i> (page 116) control.
 Button	Display a navigation button that links to another screen. See <i>Linked button</i> (page 117).
 On-Off-Auto	Provide a method to lock a binary input or output on, lock it off, or let the control program control it (Auto). Example: To control fans or pumps. See <i>On-Off-Auto</i> (page 117) control.

Use this control...	To...
	Timed Local Override Provide a method to view or edit a Timed Local Override. See <i>Timed Local Override</i> (page 118) control.
	Image Display an image. See <i>Text and images</i> (page 112) control.
	Checkbox Provide a method to choose between two states. See <i>Checkbox</i> (page 118) control.
	Time Display time of day. See <i>Time</i> (page 119) control.
	Text Toggle Display active and inactive text values for a binary microblock. Example: Chiller is enabled or disabled. See <i>Text Toggle</i> (page 120) control.
	View Port Add controls or images to a resizable, scrollable container. See <i>View Port</i> (page 121) control.
	Setpoint Provide a method to view or edit setpoints. See <i>Setpoint</i> (page 123) control.
	Image List Shows various states of an analog microblock using images. See <i>Text and images</i> (page 112) control to add an Image List control and define conditions.
	Radio Button Provide a method to select one option from a set of alternatives. Example: Manual and Auto. See <i>Radio</i> (page 123) buttons.
	Date Displays: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> System date from the controller A date, typically read from a History microblock. Example: Date of the highest zone temperature. See <i>Date</i> (page 124) control.
	Multi-State Display the text values for multi-state microblocks. The Preview Text drop-list can also display the active and inactive text values for a binary microblock. Example: Units of measure (°F). See <i>Multi-State</i> (page 125) control.
	Table Add controls or images to a resizable, scrollable table. See <i>Working with tables</i> (page 126).
	Primary Value Display any numerical value from an analog microblock in a larger font than other controls for readability. See <i>Primary Value</i> (page 128) control.

Hotspot control on Custom Equipment Touch screens

Purpose:

Create a resizable hot spot that links to another screen; lay the hot spot on top of any non-linkable control, such as an image.

Properties:

Link to Screen—Select screen that you want the hotspot to link to.

Drag the magenta-outlined box to correct location, then resize as needed. If magenta outline disappears, move it to the top layer: **Tools > Arrange > Bring to Front**.

Condition tab:

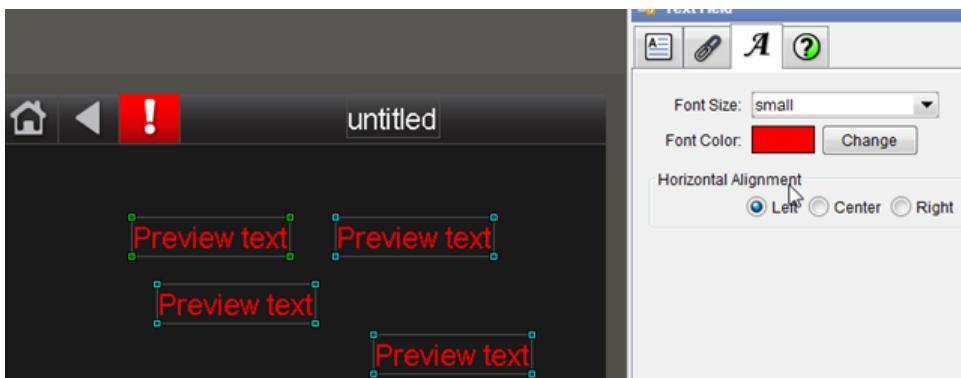
Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 131).

To test the navigation

Hold down F9 and click the area where the hotspot is placed. Although the rectangular border does not display, the area you selected is active and takes you to the screen.

Changing a property on multiple items of the same control type

If you have multiple instances of a text field, text list, or button image on a screen, you can change the properties of any of them all at once. For example, to change the color of the font in the screen below, select all of the controls to be changed, then edit the property.



1 Select any controls on the screen's workspace.

2 Edit any properties, and click **OK**.

NOTE Only the fields that you edited are changed. All other fields in all the controls remain as they were.

Supporting .svg files

You can tailor a screen to a theme or brand by customizing the images used for

- Button and image controls
- Checkboxes and radio buttons
- Header buttons and scrollbars
- Image list

After creating or re-creating the files as .svg, you must create a folder, **resources/touchview/themes**, and place the .svg images in it, then restart ViewBuilder to see the new files.

.svg examples

Any custom image that replaces an existing standard image **must** use the same filename and meet the standards in the *SVG File Specifications* (page 157). Below are some common examples.

Image that respects its aspect ratio

Example: The `header_homebutton` image must be 48 x 41. So the code will look like this:

```
<svg
  width="48"
  height="41"
  viewBox="0 0 48 41"
```

Image that does not respect its aspect ratio

Example: The `button-center` image must be 40 x 36 with no aspect ratio, otherwise it may appear to be distorted if it is not designed to stretch. So the code will look like this:

```
<svg
  width="40"
  height="36"
  viewBox="0 0 40 36"
  preserveAspectRatio="none"
```

Image that activates on click or touch

Example: The `checkbox` image can have four different images that display based on its state:



checkbox
checkbox_selected
checkbox_editable
checkbox_editable_selected

.svg file specifications

Button control images

Button controls consist of three images.

Sample	Name	Width	Height	preserveAspectRatio
	button_left	5	36	n/a
	button_center	40	36	"none"
	button_right	5	36	n/a
				
left / center / right				

Checkbox images

Checkboxes have four images.

Sample	Name	Width	Height	preserveAspectRatio
	checkbox	30	30	n/a
	checkbox_selected	30	30	n/a
	checkbox_editable	30	30	n/a
	checkbox_editable_selected	30	30	n/a

Radio button images

Radio buttons have four images.

Sample	Name	Width	Height	preserveAspectRatio
	radio	30	30	n/a
	radio_selected	30	30	n/a
	radio_editable	30	30	n/a
	radio_editable_selected	30	30	n/a

Image control and Image List images

These images are supplied by the user; the images in the theme must match the name, width, and height of that user supplied image. This information can be found on the **View Properties > Active Images** tab.

Sample	Name	Width	Height	preserveAspectRatio
varies	Matches the name of the file added by the user	varies	varies	varies

Header button images

Header buttons are a single button image each.

Sample	Name	Width	Height	preserveAspectRatio
	header_background	480	41	None
				
	header_homebutton	48	41	n/a
	header_system_touch_home	48	41	n/a
	header_backbutton	48	41	n/a
	header_alarmbutton	48	41	n/a
varies	varies (see image control)	48	41	n/a
varies	varies (see image control)	48	41	n/a

Scrollbar images

Scrollbars consist of eight images, four for the vertical scrollbars and four for the horizontal.

Sample	Name	Width	Height	preserveAspectRatio
	scrollbar_horizontal_left	36	36	n/a
	scrollbar_horizontal_center	36	36	None
	scrollbar_horizontal_right	36	36	n/a
	scrollbar_horizontal_slider	30	30	n/a

Sample	Name	Width	Height	preserveAspectRatio
	scrollbar_vertical_top	36	36	n/a
	scrollbar_vertical_center	36	36	None
	scrollbar_vertical_bottom	36	36	n/a
	scrollbar_vertical_slider	30	30	n/a

Background images

The background image can be any size, it is used as a tiled background for the screens.

Sample	Name	Width	Height	preserveAspectRatio
varies	view_background	any	any	n/a

Working with System Touch screens

The System Touch is a touchscreen device that lets you control your HVAC equipment, view alarms, or link to screens for individual controllers on the network.

In ViewBuilder, you:

- Create the screens that the touchscreen displays
- Test the navigation between screens
- Save the screens in a single .stv file that will be installed in the System Touch

NOTE The System Touch must have v2.00-015 or later firmware to display screens created in ViewBuilder.

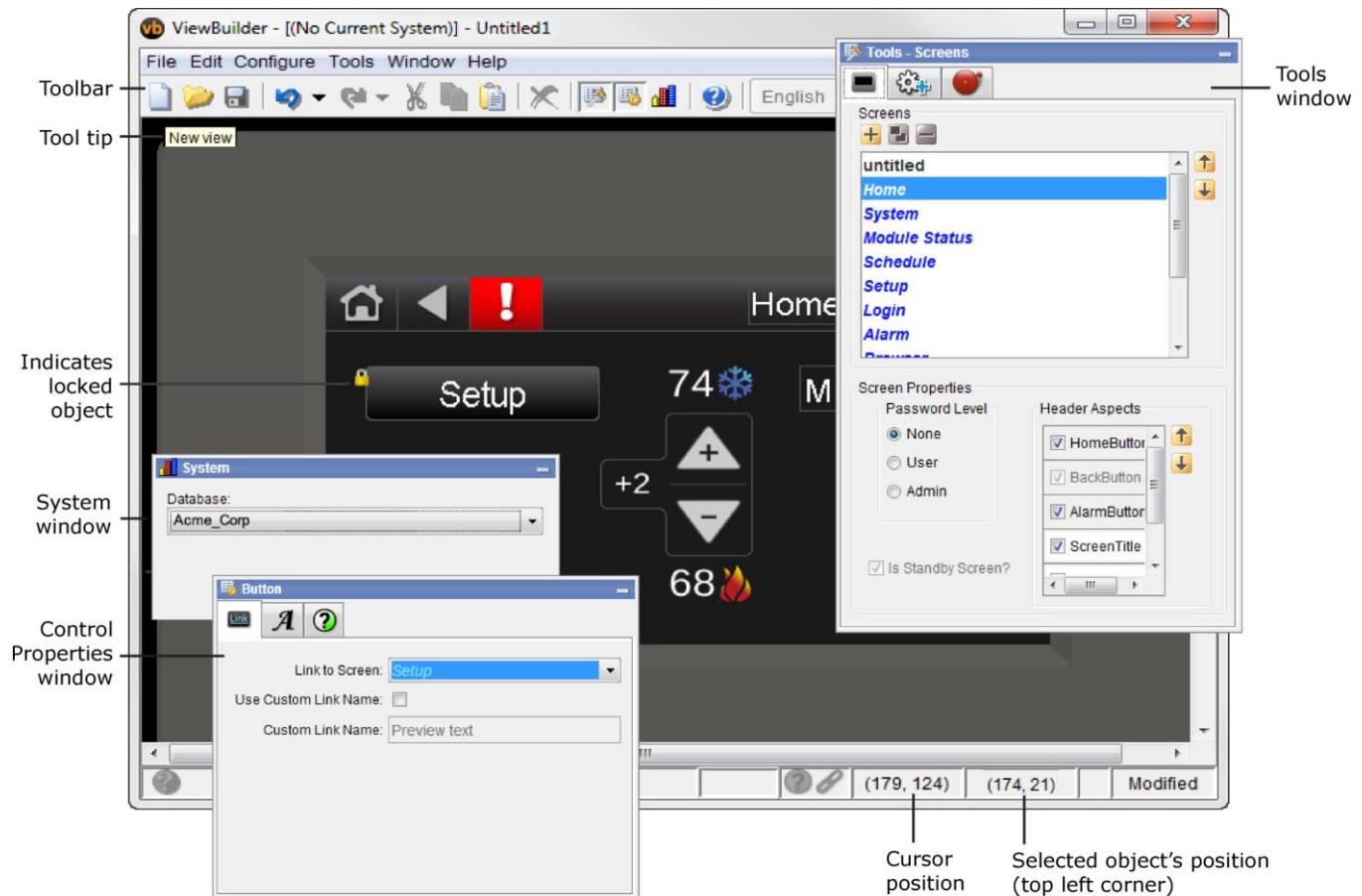


Perform as many of the actions below, as needed, to create your screens.

- 1 *Make a new touchscreen file or open an existing file* (page 163).
- 2 *Edit the Home screen* (page 165).
- 3 *Make additional screens* (page 166).
- 4 *Add controls* (page 167).
- 5 *Add navigation* (page 166).
- 6 *Password-protect the screens* (page 191).
- 7 *Add support for multiple languages* (page 194).

Getting to know ViewBuilder's System Touch interface

You make a touchscreen file in ViewBuilder using a simulation of the touchscreen device. You design your screens directly in the display area, and you set up linked buttons to navigate between the screens.



To move objects

To move a selected object(s):

- Click and drag the object to the new location. Hold down **Shift** as you drag an object to constrain its movement to horizontal or vertical.
- Use the arrow keys to nudge the selected object one pixel at a time, or hold down **Shift** while using the arrow keys to move the object ten pixels at a time.

To align, group, and layer objects

Select the objects that you want to align or reorder (front to back), then use the right-click menu commands or the options on the **Add Control** tab  in the **Tools** window.

NOTES

- Objects align in relationship to the last selected object, the one with the green handles.
- You can select an individual control in a group to edit its properties in the Control Properties window.

To copy an object

Alt+click and drag a control to create a copy of it on the same screen.

To copy a selected object(s) from one screen to another:

- 1 Select the object(s), then click .
- 2 On the new screen, click .
- 3 Click and drag the object(s) to the desired location.

To lock or unlock controls

To lock a selected object(s) so you cannot select or move it, right-click the object, then select **Lock**.

To unlock an object, Ctrl+right-click the object, then select **Unlock**.

NOTE To unlock all locked objects simultaneously, right-click anywhere in the workspace and select **Unlock All**.

To undo or redo actions

Click  on the toolbar as many times as necessary to undo actions that you performed, beginning with the most recent action. Click  to redo the action.

You can also click the drop-down arrow to the right of the Undo or Redo button to select an action from a list that begins with the most recent action. Selecting an action will undo or redo that action, plus all actions above it in the list.

Creating a new System Touch screen file or open an existing file

- 1 Do one of the following:

To...	Select...
Create a new touchscreen file	File > New , then select Touchscreen .
Open an existing touchscreen file created in ViewBuilder	File > Open , then select the file. NOTE If the file is not listed, verify that the Files of Type selection lists Touchscreen files.

- 2 Select **File > Save As**.

NOTE If using i-Vu® Pro, browse to **i-Vu_Pro_x.x\webroot\<system_name>\views\touchscreens**.

- 3 Type a **File name**, then click **Save**. ViewBuilder adds the **.touch** extension to your file name.

NOTES

- To record information about the file, select **Configure > View Properties**, then type your name and comments on the **Summary** tab. **Revision History** shows each time the file was saved and the workstation it was saved on.
- A .stv file (including all text, screens, images, and controls) is comprised of a set of compressed files and cannot exceed 512KB. In addition, the total size of the uncompressed files cannot exceed 1MB and the size of any single uncompressed file cannot exceed 512KB.

System Touch screen types

Every touchscreen file contains both custom and system screens. To navigate between the screens, you must provide a **Button**, **Text**, or **Image** control to act as a screen link. See *System Touch controls and their properties* (page 169).

NOTE The **Home** and Custom screens are editable; System screens are not editable. System screens are easily identified by their name appearing in blue in the Screens list.

Custom screens



CAUTION All Custom screens must link to either a System screen or another Custom screen that links to a System screen. See *Linking System Touch screens* (page 186).

Screen name	Description
Standby	If included in the touchscreen file, the Standby screen displays when the System Touch has had no user activity for the time specified on the Inactivity Timeout screen. This screen is not interactive, and as soon as the user touches the screen, the Home screen displays. To include this screen in your file, check Include Standby Screen on the Screen Properties window. NOTE If you do not include a Standby screen, the Home screen displays after a period of inactivity.
untitled	A blank screen that you design, configure, and name. Add controls and buttons that link to the other screens.
Home	A screen that you design and configure. If you do not include a Standby screen (see above), the Home screen displays after a period of inactivity.

System screens

Alarm Manager	Lets the user view all alarms in the system.
Communication	Lets the user select the baud rate of the MS/TP network that the System Touch is on. Lets the user edit the following: My Network number My address number Destination Network number
Schedule Groups	Lets the user create or delete Schedule Groups in the system.
System View	Displays the BACnet device instance number, the controller's time, temperature read from the System Touch sensor, and zone color. Provides links to the <i>Alarm</i> , <i>Schedules</i> , and <i>Setup</i> screens.

Screen name	Description
Touchscreen Setup	<p>Screen links:</p> <p>About - Displays information about the touchscreen firmware.</p> <p>Inactivity Timeout - Lets the user define the time it will take for the touchscreen device to return to the Standby screen and log out the user when no activity is detected.</p> <p>Sensor Setup - Lets the user set up System Touch temperature and humidity sensors.</p> <p>Clean Screen - Displays a screen with a one-minute countdown timer so that the user can clean fingerprints from the display window without touching something that would affect equipment operation.</p> <p>Key Click Off/On - A button that turns the sound for screen touches off.</p> <p>Alarm Sound Off/On - For future use.</p> <p>Reload Firmware - Erases the current firmware so that the user can load new firmware through the USB port.</p> <p>Language - If optional languages are defined in ViewBuilder when the touchscreen file is created, the Language screen lets the user select the language for displaying system screens. If custom screens are included in the touchscreen file, they will display in the language in which they are created.</p> <p>Passwords - Lets the user change the Admin or User password, if allowed.</p> <p>Calibrate Touch Panel - Lets the user recalibrate the screen by touching targets.</p>
Language	Displays languages used in the system. Select language to display on the touchscreen.
Login	Displays if the screen the operator selected requires a password.

NOTE System screens are a part of the touchscreen firmware. If a screen in the firmware is changed between releases of ViewBuilder, the ViewBuilder screen may look different than the actual touchscreen screen.

To customize the Home screen

- 1 Click the **Screens** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select **Home** from the list of screens.
- 3 Arrange the header items in the **Header Aspects** list:
 - Add or delete items by selecting or clearing the checkbox; all can be removed except the **Back** button.
 - Re-order the selected items as they appear on the header using the up and down arrows.
 - The **Alarm** button on the touchscreen appears red if in alarm state and gray if not.
- 4 Password-protect (page 191) this screen, if necessary.
- 5 Add controls (page 167) to the screen as necessary.
- 6 Edit the font and alignment in the **Control Properties** window for the currently selected control. If no control is selected, the properties window is empty.

To create additional screens

- 1 Click the **Screens** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Do one of the following:
 - o In the **Screens** list, double-click *untitled*, then type a descriptive screen name.
 - o Click  to add a new blank screen, then change its name.
 - o Select an existing screen, click  to make a copy of it, then change the copy's name.
- 3 **NOTE** You cannot copy a system screen.
- 4 Edit the header and password level at the bottom.
- 5 Add controls.

NOTES

- To delete a screen, select the screen name, then click . You cannot delete the *Home* or system screens.
- To rearrange the screen's order in the list, select the screen name, then click  or .

To add navigation

To give a user the ability to move from one screen to another:

- 1 Add a linked **Button**, **Text**, or **Image** control.
- 2 In the **Control Properties** window, select a screen from the **Link to Screen** drop-down list.

NOTE The **Link to Screen** field is located on either the control's **Properties** window or on its **Link** tab .

- 3 To test the navigation, hold **F9** and click the linked control.

Adding controls to System Touch screens

You can add controls to a touchscreen that allow you to display such things as date and time, text and graphics, and information about microblock properties.

To add a control

- 1 Click the **Add Control** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select the control you want to add.
- 3 Click in the workspace where you want to add the control.

NOTE To cancel the action, press **Esc** before clicking the workspace.

- 4 Edit properties for the control in the **Control Properties** window.



TIPS

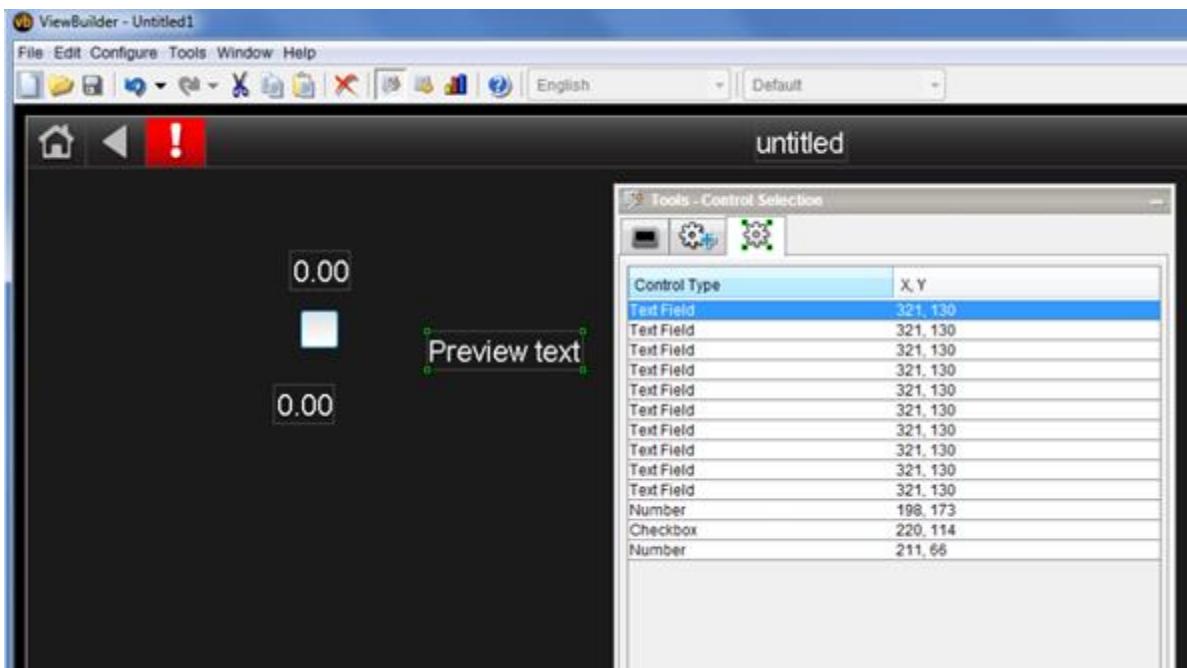
- To move a control, click and drag it to another location.
- To create a copy of a control, hold **Alt** while dragging the control.
- To add a control multiple times, select the control, then **Shift+click** the workspace for each copy.
- To delete a control, select the control and click  or press **Delete**.
- See *System Touch controls* (page 169) and their properties for a description of each control.

NOTE Many factors affect how many controls you can put on a screen before exceeding memory limitations. You may be able to put as many as 130 simple controls (numbers, text, etc.) on a screen.

Selecting controls on the workspace

You can select a control on the workspace by simply clicking on it.

If you have added multiple controls stacked on top of each other (at the same x, y co-ordinates), you can use the **Control Selection** tab to shuffle through the controls and select one from the stack.



Control Type	X, Y
Text Field	321, 130
Number	198, 173
Checkbox	220, 114
Number	211, 66

To select a control from a stack

- 1 Click the **Control Selection** () tab in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select the control from the list.
- 3 View or edit the properties in the **Control Properties** window.



TIPS

- To move a control, click and drag it to another location.
- To create a copy of a control, hold **Alt** while dragging the control.
- To add a control multiple times, select the control, then **Shift+click** the workspace for each copy.
- To delete a control, select the control and click  or press **Delete**.

System Touch screen controls and their properties

Each control, its usage, and the properties you define are described in the tables below. Many controls share the following properties and may appear on their own tab in the **Control Properties** window.

Condition	Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See <i>Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide</i> (page 188).
Font	Select font size, color, and alignment.
Link to Screen	Select a screen in the drop-list so that the control becomes a link to that screen. Hold F9 and click the control to test the link. See <i>Linking System Touch screens</i> (on page 186).

NOTE If a control will reference a BACnet Object, the point must be set as **Network Visible** in the Snap or i-Vu® application.

Controls

Use this control...	To...
 Text Field	Display text. See <i>Text and images on a System Touch</i> (page 171) screen.
 Text List	Display text based on a list of text values which are assigned to conditional values. The condition is tested against either a number, text, or a microblock property's value. The first value whose Condition is true displays. See <i>Text and images on a System Touch</i> (page 171) screen to add a Text List control to add conditions to the list.
 Number	Display any numerical value from an analog microblock. Example: Zone temperature. See <i>Number control on a System Touch</i> (page 174) screen.
 Text Toggle	Display active and inactive text values for a binary microblock. Example: Chiller is enabled or disabled. See <i>Text Toggle control on a System Touch</i> (page 175) screen.
 View Port	Add controls or images to a resizable, scrollable container. See <i>View Port on a System Touch</i> (page 176) screen.
 Image	Display an image. See <i>Text and images on a System Touch</i> (page 171) screen.
 Checkbox	Provide a method to choose between two states. See <i>Checkbox control on a System Touch</i> (page 178) screen.
 Time	Display time of day. See <i>Time control on a System Touch</i> (page 179) screen.

Use this control...	To...
 Multi-State	Display the text values for multi-state microblocks. The Preview Text drop-list can also display the active and inactive text values for a binary microblock. Example: Units of measure (°F). See <i>Multi-State control on a System Touch</i> (page 180) screen.
 Table	Add controls or images to a resizable, scrollable table. See <i>Working with tables on a System Touch</i> (page 180) screen.
 Image List	Shows various states of an analog microblock using images. See <i>Text and images on a System Touch</i> (page 171) screen to add an Image List control and define conditions.
 Radio Button	Provide a method to select one option from a set of alternatives. Example: Manual and Auto. See <i>Radio buttons on a System Touch</i> (page 183) screen.
 Date	Displays: <ul style="list-style-type: none">System date from the controllerA date, typically read from a History microblock. Example: Date of the highest zone temperature. See <i>Date control on a System Touch</i> (page 184) screen.
 Button	Display a navigation button that links to another screen. See <i>Linked button on a System Touch</i> (page 185) screen.
 Primary Value	Display any numerical value from an analog microblock in a larger font than other controls for readability. See <i>Primary Value control on a System Touch</i> (page 185) screen.

Text and images on System Touch screens

You can add **Text** and **Image** controls to a touchscreen file.

Customize the Text control

- Make it a link to another screen or to a BACnet Device Id on the **Link** tab . See *Linking System Touch screens* (page 186).
- Change the font size, color, and alignment on the **Font** tab.
- Set the control to show or hide on its **Condition** tab  based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or if a path exists. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 188).

Customize the Image control

- Make it a link to another screen or to a BACnet Device Id on the **Link** tab . See *Linking System Touch screens* (page 186).
- Set the control to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path on its **Condition** tab . See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 188).

Text and Image Lists

You can also create lists of either text or images to assign different conditions to multiple values. Each condition is evaluated, one after another, and the first one to be evaluated as true is displayed on the touchscreen device. If none of the values are true, default text or a default image is displayed.

Text

To add text

- 1 Select the **Add Control** tab , click  **Text Field**, then click in the screen.
- 2 Double-click on **Preview** text inside the control's field, select the text to delete it, then type the text to be displayed on the touchscreen.
Optional: Copy text from another application, then replace **Preview** text.
- 3 Select **Word Wrapping** if text overflows the text field.
- 4 **NOTE** Text cannot extend past the constraint of the width of the control and borders of the display.
- 5 Click **OK**.

To add a Text List



- 1 Select the **Add Control** tab , click  **Text List**, then click in the screen.
- 2 In the **Default Value** field, type the text that will display if none of the conditions are true. Select one:
 - **Static Text** and type text to display.
 - **Path To BACnet Property** to display the **Preview Text**.
- 3 Click .
- 4 Select one:
 - **Static Text** and type text to display if the condition is true.
 - **Path To BACnet Property** and type the path to display the value from the microblock.
- 5 Select a condition or add a new one. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 188).
- 6 Check **Autosize** to adjust the size of the control to the length of the longest condition value displayed.
To manually adjust the width of the control, grab a handle on the left or right side of the control box:

- 7 Repeat steps 4–6 for additional conditions.

NOTES

- The **Text List** can be set up to use different text for each condition and can have different font style properties assigned to each one.
- See *Conditional items in a list* (page 173) to arrange the conditions according to which displays.

Images

To add an image



- 1 Select the **Add Control** tab , click  **Image**, then click in the screen.
- 2 Select a new image or click the **Active Images** tab to reuse images already used in the .touch file.
- 3 Click **OK**.
- 4 Click in the screen.
- 5 Click and drag a corner to resize it.

NOTE Hold **Shift** as you drag to maintain the image's proportions.

To add an Image List



- 1 Select the **Add Control** tab  , click  **Image List**, then click in the screen.
- 2 Select a new image or click the **Active Images** tab to see images already used in the .touch file.
This is the **Default Image** displayed when none of the other conditions is true or when a communication problem or issue occurs.
- 3 Click **OK**.
- 4 Click in the screen.
- 5 Click and drag a corner to resize it.
NOTE Hold **Shift** as you drag to maintain the image's proportions.
- 6 Click  to add an image that the control displays under normal conditions.
- 7 Select an image, then click **OK**.
- 8 Select a condition or add a new one. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 188).
- 9 Repeat steps 6–8 for additional conditions.

See *Conditional items* (page 173) in a list to arrange the conditions according to when each should display.

Conditional items in a list



Text List and  **Image List** allow the operator to assign text or images to indicate different conditions. Each condition in the list is evaluated, one after another, and the first one to be evaluated as true will be displayed on the touchscreen device. If no expression returns true, the **Default Text** or **Default Image** is displayed.

For example, a damper can be displayed as Closed, Half-open, or Open depending on the **Show/Hide** conditions assigned to a microblock's property. Either  or  can be used to show these states.

- 1 Create a text list or image list.
- 2 Arrange your conditions using  and  to reorder the list.



TIPS

- The control property's window does not automatically expand, so you can resize it to display all items in the list.
- Click  to delete an image from the list.
- Click  to change the image assigned to a condition.

Number control on System Touch screens

Purpose:

Display any numerical value from an analog microblock.

Example: Zone temperature.

Properties:

Path to BACnet Property—Enter the path to the BACnet property you want the control to read from or write to. See *Defining paths for the touchscreen* (page 187).

Format—Select the appropriate number formatting, such as decimal places and comma separators.

Scaling Factor—To display a microblock property's value in a different format, type the necessary multiplication factor.

Example: To display watts as kilowatts, type .001 in this field.

Show Units—Check to display the unit associated with the property in the control program. The selected unit's value in the list are just to estimate size.

Editable—When selected, this field is outlined by a white box on the screen. When selected on the touchscreen device, a numeric keypad pops up allowing the user to enter a value.

Autosize—Check to adjust the size of the control to the length of the value displayed.

To manually adjust the width of the control, grab a handle on the left or right side of the control box:



Limits—To display a minimum/maximum range of values defined in the microblock or in the custom values fields.

Font tab:

Change the font size, color, and alignment on the **Font** tab.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 188).

Text Toggle control on System Touch screens

Purpose:

Display active and inactive text values for a binary microblock.
Example: Chiller is enabled or disabled.

Properties:

Path to BACnet Property—Enter the path to the BACnet property you want the control to read from or write to. See *Defining paths for the touchscreen* (page 187).

Editable—When selected, this field is outlined by a white box on the screen. When selected on the touchscreen device, a numeric keypad pops up allowing the user to enter a value.

Preview Text—Text that is displayed only in ViewBuilder to help you place the control. Type the preview text or select from the drop-down list.

Autosize—Check to adjust the size of the control to the length of the value displayed.
To manually adjust the width of the control, grab a handle on the left or right side of the control box:



Font tab:

Change the font size, color, and alignment on the **Font** tab.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 188).

View Port on System Touch screens

Purpose:

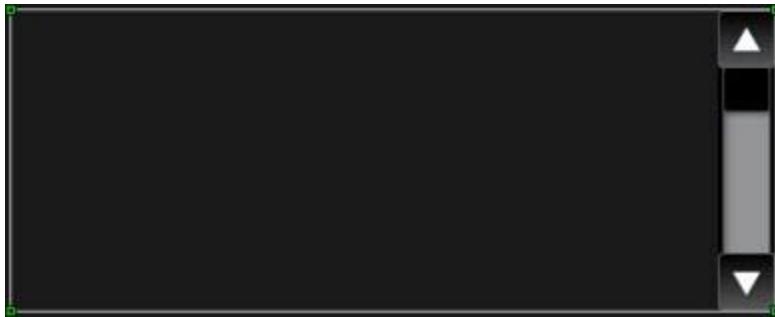
Increase the viewing area of a touchscreen device's window. The View Port's canvas can hold many more controls than the touchscreen can display at one time.

Controls and text are added to the canvas and horizontal and vertical scrollbars appear, as needed, allowing you to view the other areas of the canvas.

NOTE When the View Port control is initially placed on the canvas, the width is set to take up the full width of the screen and the height is set to fit between the header bar and buttons at the bottom of the screen.

Properties:

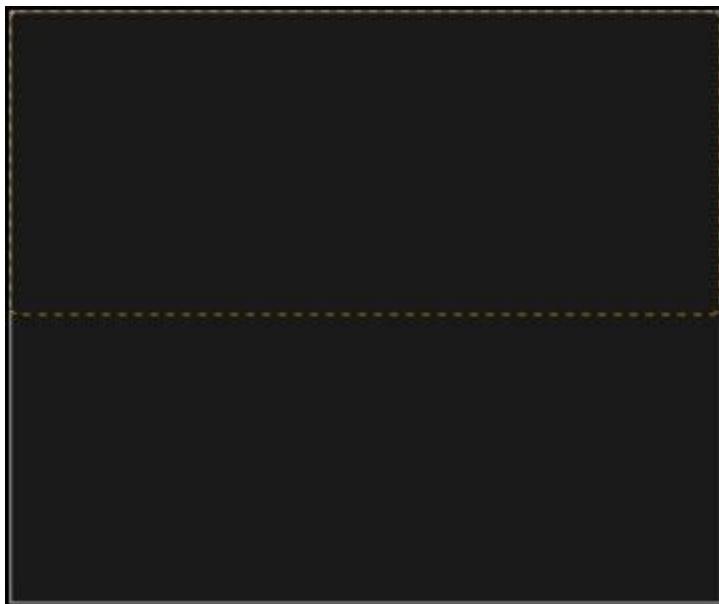
View Port window—Display area, including scrollbars, seen on the touchscreen device. The scrollbars allow the designer to see what the layout looks like on the touchscreen device.



To move the **View Port** window, click and drag the window.

To change the size of the View Port control, drag one of the green corner markers.

View Port Editor—The area outlined in white is the canvas design area and the area outlined in yellow is the display area visible on the touchscreen. The display area includes horizontal and vertical scrollbars.



To add a View Port

- 1 Select the **Add Control** tab , click . then click in the screen.
- 2 Click in the workspace to add the View Port.
- 3 Select a background color and click **Change**.
- 4 Uncheck **Border Enabled** if you do not want the borders to display.

To navigate in the View Port window

Scrollbars appear in the **View Port** window to allow you to navigate around to the areas outside of the visible area.

To navigate to regions outside of the display window, do one of the following:

- Hold down **F9** while clicking the up and down or right and left arrows.
- Hold down **F9** while dragging the black slider up and down or side to side.

To customize a View Port

To add content to the **View Port** control:

- 1 Double-click inside it to open the **View Port Editor**.
- 2 Drag and drop controls or images into the canvas.
- 3 Click **Close View Port Editor** to return to the touchscreen.

NOTE Any controls that are added to the main screen and not while in the **View Port Editor**, are not actually a part of the View Port, but are layered above or below the **View Port** control.

Checkbox control on System Touch screens

Purpose:

Provide a graphical method to show or choose between two states.

Properties:

Path to BACnet Property—Enter the path to the BACnet property you want the control to read from or write to. See *Defining paths for the touchscreen* (page 187).

Editable—When selected, the control is editable on the touchscreen device.

Show Selected—When selected, the control displays as "selected" in ViewBuilder.

NOTE This doesn't affect how the control displays on the touchscreen device.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 188).

Time control on System Touch screens

Purpose:

Display time of day.

Properties:

Use System Time—Check to use the time coming from the controller instead of the time pulled from the microblock.

Display Format—Choose to display various time formats such as AM/PM, 24 hour, or minutes and seconds.

Editable—When selected, this field is outlined by a white box on the screen. When selected on the touchscreen device, a numeric keypad pops up allowing the user to enter a value.

For this type...	use this path...
equipment	<code>~device/driver/device/local_time</code>
area	<code><equipment_ref_name>/~device/driver/device/local_time</code>

Autosize—Check to adjust the size of the control to the length of the value displayed.

To manually adjust the width of the control, grab a handle on the left or right side of the control box:



Font tab:

Change the font size, color, and alignment on the **Font** tab.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 188).

Multi-State control on System Touch screens

Purpose:

Display the text values for multi-state microblocks. The **Preview Text** drop-list can also display the active and inactive text values for a binary microblock.

Example: Units of measure (°F).

Properties:

Path to BACnet Property—Enter the path to the BACnet property you want the control to read from or write to. See *Defining paths for the touchscreen* (page 187).

Editable—When selected, this field is outlined by a white box on the screen. When selected on the touchscreen device, a numeric keypad pops up allowing the user to enter a value.

Preview Text—Text that is displayed only in ViewBuilder to help you place the control. Type the preview text or select from the drop-down list.

Autosize—Check to adjust the size of the control to the length of the value displayed.

To manually adjust the width of the control, grab a handle on the left or right side of the control box:



Use Custom Defined States—Select to add analog values and display names to the list.

Font tab:

Change the font size, color, and alignment on the **Font** tab.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 188).

Working with tables on System Touch screens

You can add a table to a touchscreen and then add controls or images in the table cells. To customize the table:

- Select the table to move it within the touchscreen display area.
- Adjust the size of the table by selecting the table and dragging one of the green corner markers.
- Change the background and border colors by clicking **Change**.

To add a table

- 1 Select the **Add Control** tab , click , then click in the screen.
- 2 Click in the workspace where you want to add the table.
- 3 Click **Change** to select a different background color.
- 4 Uncheck **Border Enabled** if you do not want the borders to display.

Adjusting the table

NOTE To add, delete, or adjust rows and columns, double-click inside the table to open the **Table Editor**.

To add a row or column to the end of a table:

- 1 Right-click anywhere in the table.
- 2 Select **Insert Row** or **Insert Column**.

To add a row or column before the last one:

- 1 Click column or row gray header bar to select it.
- 2 Right-click the gray header bar to insert one before the selected row or column.
- 3 Select **Insert Row** or **Insert Column**.

To delete a row or column:

- 1 Right-click its gray header bar.
- 2 Select **Delete Row** or **Delete Column**.

To adjust column width:

Drag the ends of the column's gray header bar.

NOTES

- A dashed yellow box outlines the perimeter of the table.
- As more controls are added, the table may become larger than will display on the touchscreen. Horizontal or vertical scrollbars appear and can be used to simulate what the user will be able to view in the table by pressing F9 and dragging the black box or scrollbars.
- Minimum width and height is 25 pixels.
- Row height is determined by the tallest control in the row.

To add a control to a table cell

- 1 Double-click the table in the touchscreen to open the **Table Editor**.



TIP If gray bars do not appear above each column and to the left of each row, the table is not active and cannot be edited. See note below.

- 2 Click the control in the **Tools** window.
- 3 Click the cell where you want to add the control.
- NOTE** Cell resizes to the area needed to display the control.
- 4 Enter the control's properties.
- 5 Click **Close Table Editor** to return to the touchscreen.

NOTE Adding controls to the touchscreen without opening the **Table Editor** places the control directly on the touchscreen—not in the table. The table will not resize accordingly and the control will be on a different layer than the table. See step 1 above.



TIPS

- To move an object and its condition, click and drag the item.
- To copy an object and its condition, hold down **Alt** as you drag the item.
- Objects moved or added into cells that have a show/high condition may or may not assume the condition. If you do not get the results you want, change the show/hide condition or click  to undo the action.
- Placing objects in a cell that already contains a control replaces the original object.

To align objects in a table

To align a control within its cell:

- 1 Double-click the control in the table to open the **Table Editor**.
- 2 Right-click a control and then select **Align**.
- 3 Select how you want to align it from the list.



TIP Ctrl-click to select multiple objects to align.

To align all controls within a row or column:

- 1 Select the row or column's gray bar.
- 2 Right-click and then select **Align**.
- 3 Select how you want to align it from the list.

To hide objects in a table

If you hide part of a row, the cells will be blank when the screen is viewed in the touchscreen device.

If you hide an entire row, the row will not appear on the screen when viewed in the touchscreen device.

Hide a control in a cell

- 1 Double-click the table to open the **Table Editor**.
- 2 Select the control you want to hide under certain circumstances.
- 3 In the **Control Properties** window, click the **Condition**  tab.
- 4 Select an existing condition from the list or create a new one.

Hide a row in a table

- 1 Double-click the table to open the **Table Editor**.
- 2 Select the gray bar of the row you want to hide under certain circumstances.
- 3 In the **Control Properties** window, click the **Row Condition**  tab.
- 4 Select an existing condition from the list or create a new one.

Radio buttons on System Touch screens

Purpose:

Provide a method of selecting one option from a set of alternatives.
Example: Manual and Auto.

Enter the same **Path to BACnet Property** for each radio button in the set.

Properties:

Path to BACnet Property—Enter the path to the BACnet property you want the control to read from or write to. See *Defining paths for the touchscreen* (page 187).

Editable—When selected, this field is outlined by a white box on the screen. When selected on the touchscreen device, a numeric keypad pops up allowing the user to enter a value.

Editable—When selected, the radio buttons are interactive on the touchscreen device.

Radio Button Value—Type the value that represents the active or true state for this radio button.

For an analog microblock, type the specific value the button is to represent.

For a binary microblock, type `true` or `1` (depending on the property) for one button's value and `false` or `0` for the other button's value.

Show Selected—When selected, the control displays as "selected" in ViewBuilder

NOTE This doesn't affect how the control displays on the touchscreen device.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 188).

Date control on System Touch screens

Purpose:

Display a date, typically read from a History microblock.
Example: Date of the highest zone temperature.

Properties:

Path to BACnet Property—Enter the path to the BACnet property you want the control to read from or write to. See *Defining paths for the touchscreen* (page 187).

Use System Date—Check to use the System date, retrieved from the controller, instead of the date pulled from the microblock.

Date Format—Select the appropriate format.

For this type...	use this path...
equipment	~device/driver/device/local_date
area	<equipment_ref_name>/~device/driver/device/local_date

Editable—When selected, the control is editable on the touchscreen device.

Autosize—Check to adjust the size of the control to the length of the value displayed.
To manually adjust the width of the control, grab a handle on the left or right side of the control box:



Font tab:

Change the font size, color, and alignment on the **Font** tab.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 188).

Linked button control on System Touch

Purpose:

Display a navigation button that links to another screen.

Properties:

Link to Screen—Select screen that you want the button to link to.

Link to BACnet Device Id—Enter the path.

Use Custom Link Name—Select to use a custom name on the button.

Custom Link Name—Enter the name you want to appear on the link button. Resize the width of the button as needed.

NOTE Width of the control can be adjusted by grabbing a handle on the left or right side of the control box:



Font tab:

Change the font size, color, and alignment on the **Font** tab.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 188).

Primary Value control on System Touch screens

Purpose:

Display any numerical value from an analog microblock in a larger font than other controls for readability. Example: Zone temperature.

Properties:

Path to Microblock Property—Enter the path to the microblock property you want the control to read from or write to. See *Defining paths for the touchscreen* (page 130).

Format—Select the appropriate number formatting, such as decimal places and comma separators.

Show Units—Check to display the unit associated with the property in the control program. The selected unit's value in the list are just to estimate size.

Font tab:

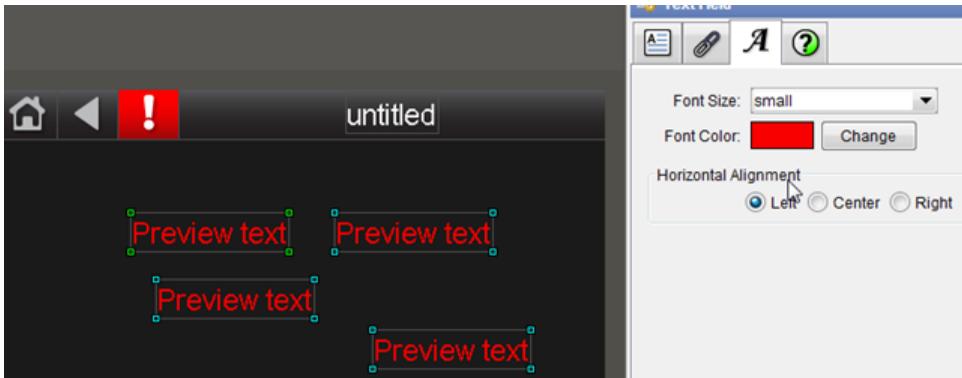
Change the font size, color, and alignment on the **Font** tab.

Condition tab:

Set controls in a screen to show or hide based on password levels, a microblock property's value, or the existence of its path. See *Setting items on a touchscreen to show/hide* (page 188).

Changing a property on multiple items of the same control type

If you have multiple instances of a text field, text list, or button image on a screen, you can change the properties of any of them all at once. For example, to change the color of the font in the screen below, select all of the controls to be changed, then edit the property.



- 1 Select any controls on the screen's workspace.
- 2 Edit any properties, and click **OK**.

NOTE Only the fields that you edited are changed. All other fields in all the controls remain as they were.

Linking System Touch screens

 **CAUTION** At least one Custom screen must link out to a System screen. All other Custom screens must link to either:

- A System screen
- Another Custom screen that links to a System screen

Otherwise, you will **not** be able to navigate to any of the System screens when you install the .stv file.

The **Link to Screen** drop-down list, which is located on either of the **Link** tabs ( or ), provides a way of moving from one screen to another in the touchscreen file by selecting a screen from the list. The link can be a button, text, or image.

- 1 Select the screen to link to, then save the file.
- 2 Hold **F9** and click the text, button, or image to test the link.

The **Link to BACnet Device Id** field, which is located on either of the **Link** tabs ( or ), provides a way of moving from one screen to another screen by typing a BACnet Device Id in the field. The link can be a button, text, or image.

- 1 Type the BACnet Device Id to link to, then save the file.
- 2 Hold **F9** and click the text, button, or image to test the link.

Defining paths for a System Touch screen

A path tells the i-Vu® application the route through the system hierarchy to an item in the system. For example, a path tells the i-Vu® application where to find a microblock property value to display on a touchscreen device or where to jump to when the user touches a link on a touchscreen device.

In ViewBuilder, you use paths in controls and conditional expressions.

You can do one of the following to get the path:

- In the ViewBuilder interface, navigate to the point using the **System** dialog box.
- In the i-Vu® interface, *determine the path yourself* (page 79).

A path consists of the BACnet Device Id number, microblock object name, and property, separated by a forward slash (/). For example, 240101/sat/present_value.

NOTE If this field is outlined in red, you entered invalid syntax or characters.

To define paths for .stv file

A path consists of the BACnet Device Id number, microblock object name, and property, separated by a forward slash (/). For example, 240101/sat/present_value.

You can determine the path in ViewBuilder or in the i-Vu® interface:

In ViewBuilder

- 1 Click **System** on the toolbar.
- 2 Select the database, then click **Next**.
- 3 Enter or select your username and password, then click **Next**.
- 4 Select a device, then click **Show Device**.
- 5 Expand the control program, then select the point.

NOTE If the path appearing in the **Path to BACnet Property** field contains a point different from the one needed, select from the **Property** drop-down list. If the point you need is not available in the list, determine the path from the i-Vu® interface; see below.

- 6 Click **Close System**.
- 7 Close the **System** window.
- 8 Right-click in the **Path to BACnet Property** field and click **Set Path Value**.

NOTE If the path does not appear in the field, the point selected is not a valid BACnet point.

In the i-Vu® interface

Paths can be found on the **Properties**, or **Graphics** pages in the i-Vu® interface.

- 1 Right-click a value, then select **Global Modify**.
- 2 Copy the microblock and property from the **Expression** field, then paste into ViewBuilder's control window's **Path to BACnet Property** field.
- 3 Place your cursor in front of the path and type the control program number followed by a "/" into the **Path to BACnet Property** field.

Setting items on a System Touch to show/hide

You can set a control, or an item in a control such as a table row or cell, to show or hide on the touchscreen device based on the user's password level or by creating a conditional expression that tests the value of a microblock property.

You can also create a set of expressions using the **Text List** or **Image List** controls to indicate different conditions of the microblock property. See *Conditional items in a list* (page 173).

EXAMPLE To display various states in a damper, you can create a series of expressions ranging from Open to Closed with various states in between. These states could be displayed in various ways:

- Using a **Text List**: Closed, Half-Open, Open
- Using a **Text List** with colored font: Closed indicated by red, Half-Open by yellow, Open by green
- Using an **Image List** using images of the damper in each of the states

To set items to show/hide

Based on the user's password level

- 1 Select the item(s) you want to show/hide.
- 2 Click the **Condition**  tab.
- 3 From the **Condition** drop-down list, select one of the following:
 - **Logged In as User** to show the items only when user is logged in with the User password
 - **Logged In as Admin** to show the items only when user is logged in with the Admin password

NOTE See *Password-protecting a touchscreen* (page 191) for information on the Admin and User passwords.

- 4 Click **OK**.

Based on a microblock property's value

- 1 Select the item(s) you want to show/hide.
- 2 Click the **Condition**  tab.
- 3 From the **Condition** drop-down list, select a custom condition to show when the condition is true.
- 4 Click **OK**.



TIP To add conditional expressions to the list, see *To add a condition to a System Touch screen* (page 189).

To add a condition to a System Touch screenfile

- 1 In the **Control Properties** window, click the **Condition**  tab.
- 2 Click .
- 3 Type the path to the microblock's property; see *To define paths for .stv file* (page 187).
- 4 Select an operator (page 190) from the drop-down list.
- 5 Optional: If selecting an operator other than **Is TRUE** or **Is FALSE**, select an option in the **Value 2** field and enter a value in the box.
- 6 Click **OK**.

To edit a show/hide condition

- 1 Select the control whose condition you want to edit or remove.
- 2 Click the **Condition**  tab.
- 3 Select the condition to edit from the **Condition** drop-down list.
- 4 Click the **Condition**  button.
- 5 In the **Value 1** field, enter the path to the microblock property.
- 6 Select an operator from the drop-down list.
- 7 In the **Value 2** field, select an option and enter the value.

NOTE This field is active only if you selected an operator other than **Is TRUE** or **Is FALSE** in step 6.

- 8 Select one of the following:
 - **Selected Item Only** to have the change apply only to the item you opened the **Show/Hide Condition** window from. The new condition is added to the **Condition** list when you close the window.
 - **Wherever Used** to have the change apply to all controls using this condition.
- 9 Click **OK**.

To remove a condition from a control

- 1 Select the control whose condition you want to remove.
- 2 Click the **Condition**  tab.
- 3 Select **None** from the **Condition** drop-down list.

NOTE You cannot remove a condition from the list. But, if it is not assigned to anything, ViewBuilder removes it from the list the next time you close the file.

Operators

An operator defines how each piece of an expression is to be handled. For example, an operator can compare or perform an action between the value of a microblock property, a literal value, or the result of an expression. The following table lists operators that can be used in expressions.

NOTE Only one operator can be used at a time. For example, it is not possible for the touchscreen to put ">30 and <60".

Operators that return true/false

is TRUE	Is true	Compares data. Returns true if the value of the expression or condition is true.
is FALSE	Is false	Compares data. Returns true if the value of the expression or condition is false.
==	Equal to	Compares data. Returns true if the value on both sides of the operator are equal.
!=	Not equal to	Compares data. Returns true if the value to the left of the operator does not match the value to the right.
>	Greater than	Compares numeric data. Returns true if the value to the left of the operator is larger than the value to the right.
>=	Greater than or equal to	Compares numeric data. Returns true if the value to the left of the operator is larger than or equal to the value to the right.
<	Less than	Compares numeric data. Returns true if the value to the left of the operator is smaller than the value to the right.
<=	Less than or equal to	Compares numeric data. Returns true if the value to the left of the operator is smaller than or equal to the value to the right.

Password-protecting a System Touch

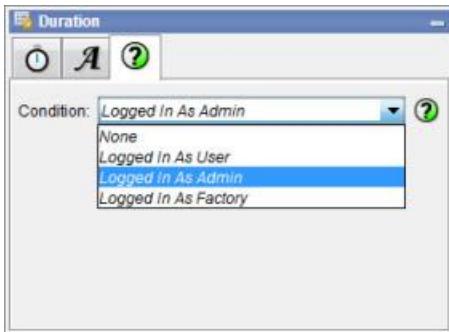
To provide security for your touchscreen device, you can assign different password levels to your screens and to individual controls, values, or objects. Security levels are set on the **Tools > Screens** dialog box and on the control's **Condition** tab.

A user with this password level...	Can view or gain access to all screens, controls, values, or objects...
Factory	regardless of security levels assigned. NOTE This password is intended for a factory-authorized technician and can only be changed in the ViewBuilder application.
Admin	except those that have Factory assigned.
User	except those that have Factory or Admin assigned. NOTE A touchscreen device has a single User password shared by its operators.
None	that have no security level assigned to them. NOTE No password required.

To assign a security level to a control

- 1 With a control selected, click the **Condition** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select a security level from the **Condition** drop-list.
- 3 Click **File > Save**.

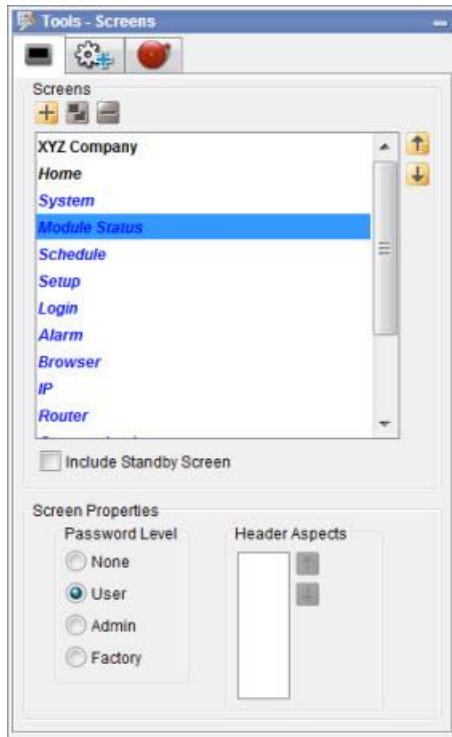
Example: **Duration** control set to **Admin**.



To assign a security level to a screen

- 1 On the **Tools > Screens** dialog box, select the screen.
- 2 Select one of the password levels.
- 3 Click **File > Save**.

Example: **Module Status** screen set to **User**.



To create a Factory password for a touchscreen

- 1 Select **Configure > View Properties**.
- 2 Type a valid password in the Factory **Password** field and confirm it.
- 3 Click **OK**.

Create, edit, or lock the **Admin** and **User** passwords using the instructions below.

To allow password management on a touchscreen

To allow passwords to be changed on a touchscreen device:

- 1 Select **Configure > View Properties**.
- 2 Check **Allow password management on touchscreen**.
- 3 Check the **Reset touchscreen to these passwords**.
- 4 Type or edit valid passwords in the **User** and **Admin Password** fields.
- 5 Click **OK**.

To lock passwords on a touchscreen

To lock the User and Admin passwords on a touchscreen device:

- 1 Select **Configure > View Properties**.
- 2 Check **Always use these passwords**.
- 3 Type or edit valid passwords in the **User** and **Admin Password** fields.
- 4 Click **OK**.

Creating a non-English System Touch screen

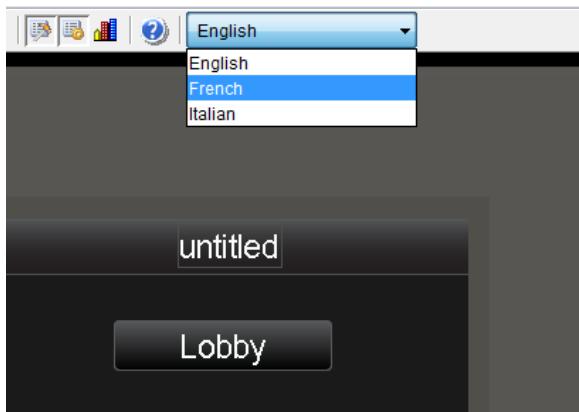
NOTE If the non-English language uses non-ASCII characters, the names of your touchscreen file and any inserted image files must contain only ASCII characters.

To create a touchscreen file that can show multiple languages, use one of the following methods to create the non-English screens in ViewBuilder.

- *Add the non-English text in the ViewBuilder interface (page 138)*
- *Export a language file, translate the terms, then import the new language file (page 195)*

To add non-English text in the ViewBuilder interface

- 1 Select **Configure > View Properties**.
- 2 Under **Supported Languages**, select the languages you want to use in the touchscreen file. The languages you select will appear in the dropdown on ViewBuilder's toolbar.
- CAUTION** Do not uncheck **English**. Although you may not use this language in your screen file, some versions of the touchscreen device's firmware require that English be checked.
- 3 Click **OK**.
- 4 On ViewBuilder's toolbar, select the active language you want to use.



- 5 Create the screens, typing all static text in the language you selected in step 4.
- 6 If you want the touchscreen device to display multiple languages, select another language in the active language dropdown.
- 7 Select each control in the project and type its text in the new language.

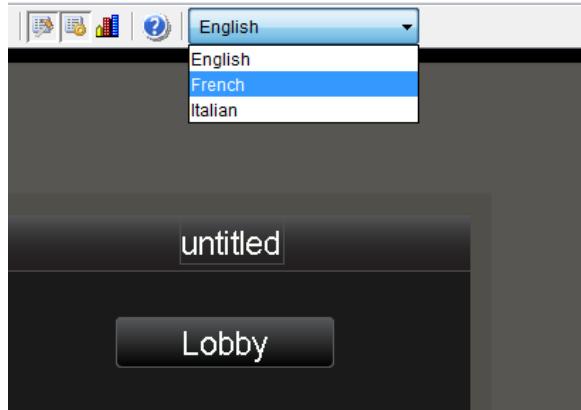
TIP You can switch back and forth between the languages in the dropdown to verify the current screen's text in the different languages.

- 8 Save your touchscreen file.

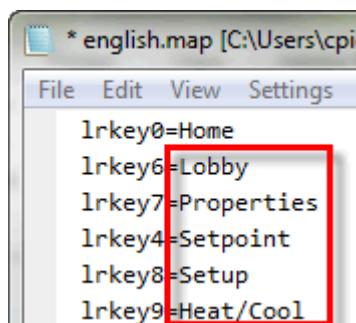
NOTE Some controls, such as the Date control, have formatting that might differ in various parts of the world. Be sure to select the appropriate format for the active language you selected.

To export/import language files

- 1 On ViewBuilder's toolbar, select the active language you want to use.



- 2 Create the screens, typing all static text in the language you selected in step 1.
- 3 Select **Configure > View Properties > Languages**.
- 4 In the **Supported Languages** section, select the language to be exported and click [Export].
The file is exported to `i-Vu_Pro_x.x\webroot\language_resources\language.map`, where *language* is the actual name of the language. For example, `english.map`.
TIP In the window that appears, highlight the path, and then press **Ctrl+C** to copy it. You can later paste it into Windows Explorer to locate the file.
- 5 Click **OK**.
- 6 In Windows Explorer, locate and open the *language.map* file in a text editor such as Notepad.
- 7 Translate each term into the language you want to use.



- 8 Save the file to `i-Vu_Pro_x.x\webroot\language_resources\language.map`, replacing *language* with the actual language name. For example, `french.map`.
- 9 Repeat steps 5–7 for any other languages the touchscreen device is to display.
- 10 Select **Configure > View Properties > Languages**.
- 11 In the **Supported Languages** section, click **Import**.
- 12 Browse to the language file(s) stored in step 8 above.

- 13 Select the language file(s) to be imported and click **Import**.
- 14 The import process adds the language(s) to the project's supported languages and to the toolbar dropdown. Select each language in the dropdown and then view each screen to verify the controls are spaced correctly and do not overlap.
- 15 Save your touchscreen file.

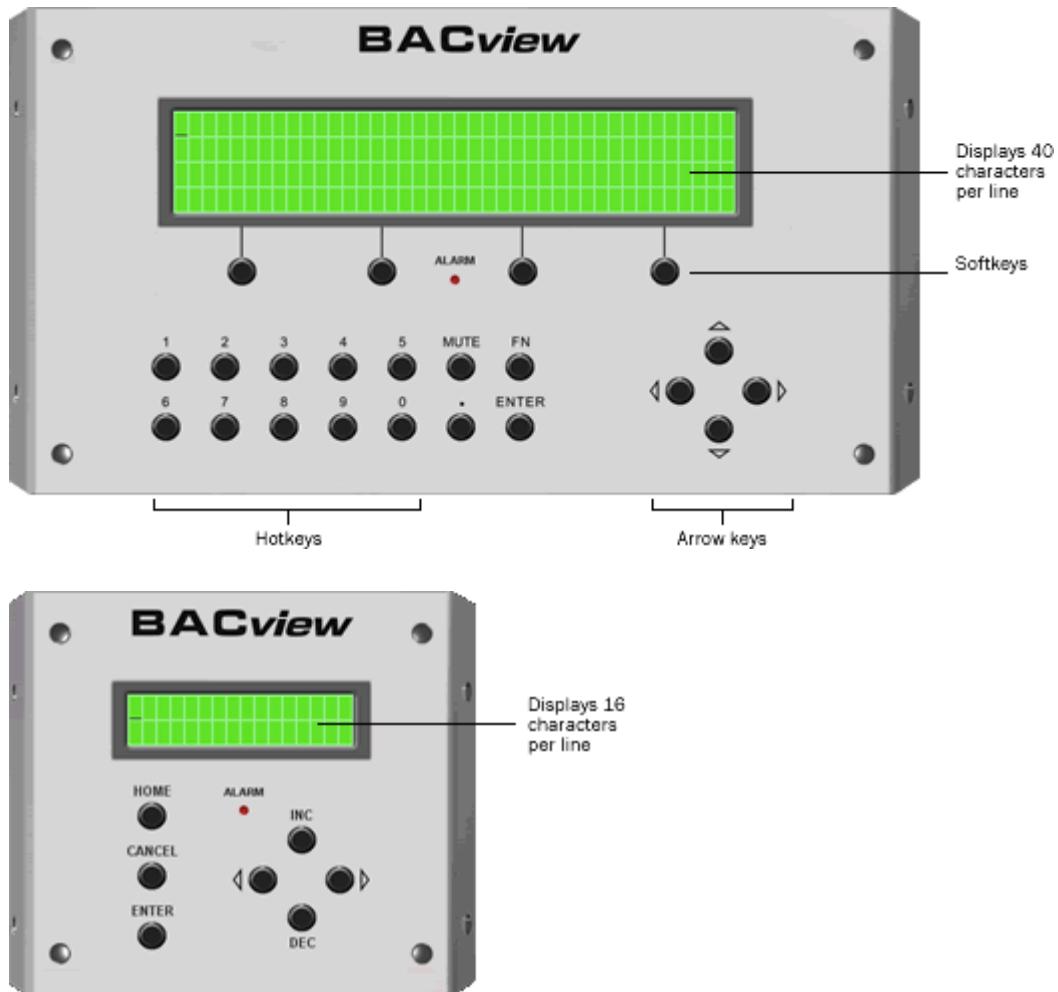
Working with BACview® screens

A BACview device is a combination keypad/display that you can attach to a controller to view or change its property values or its real-time clock without having to access the system's server. BACview devices are available in the two sizes shown below.

The Virtual BACview application is a software version of the large BACview device shown below. The Virtual BACview application runs on a laptop connected to a controller's Local Access port, and it has the same functionality as the BACview device.

In ViewBuilder, you:

- Create the screens that a BACview device or the Virtual BACview application will display
- Test the navigation between screens
- Save the screens in a single .bacview file

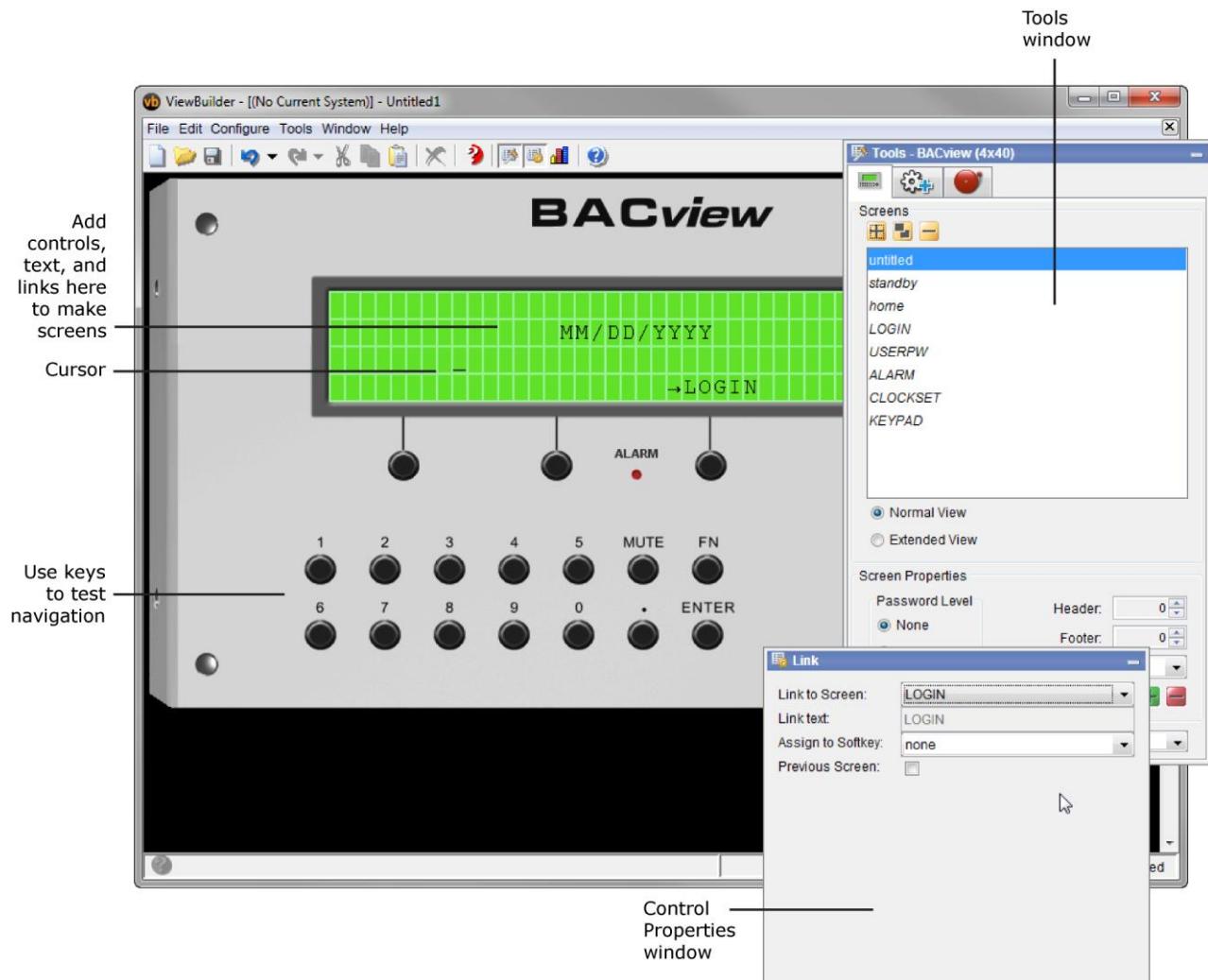


Follow the process below to create screens.

- 1** *Make a new BACview file or open an existing file (page 202).*
- 2** *Make the BACview screens (page 203).*
- 3** *Add text, controls, headers, and footers (page 205).*
- 4** *Add navigation (page 210).*
- 5** *Password-protect the screens (page 213).*
- 6** *Set up alarms (page 214).*
- 7** *Save, assign, and download the BACview file (page 215).*

Getting to know ViewBuilder's BACview® interface

When you make a BACview file in ViewBuilder, ViewBuilder displays a simulation of a BACview device. You make your screens directly in the simulation's display, and you click the simulation's keys to test the navigation between screens.



To move the cursor in a screen

Use your keyboard's arrow keys to move the cursor in the screen. You can also use the following keys on your keyboard.

Press...	To jump to...
Home	The first cell of the line the cursor is in
End	The last cell of the line the cursor is in
Ctrl+Home	The first cell of the screen's first line
Ctrl+End	The last cell of the screen's last line

NOTE Hold down **Shift** while pressing the above keys to select everything from the cursor's current position to the new position.

To add lines to a screen

- 1 Click the **Screens** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 In the **Number Of Lines** field, click  to add a line below the line the cursor is in.

NOTES

- Click  to delete the line the cursor is in.
- To see all of a screen that exceeds the length of the BACview display, select **Extended View**.

To select or move objects

Objects on a screen are either text that you typed on the screen or controls that you added to the screen. See *Adding text, controls, headers, and footers* (page 205).

You must select an object to perform any action on it.

- Click a control to select it.
- Click and drag across text to select it.
- Click and drag across multiple objects in a screen to select the objects.

To move a selected object, click and drag it to a new location in the screen.

To copy an object

Alt+click and drag a control to create a copy of it on the same screen.

To copy a selected object(s) from one screen to another:

- 1 Select the object(s), then click 
- 2 On the new screen, click 
- 3 Click and drag the object(s) to the desired location.

To undo or redo actions

Click  on the toolbar as many times as necessary to undo actions that you performed, beginning with the most recent action. Click  to redo the action.

You can also click the drop-down arrow to the right of the Undo or Redo button to select an action from a list that begins with the most recent action. Selecting an action will undo or redo that action, plus all actions above it in the list.

To create a new BACview® file or open an existing file

- 1 Do one of the following:

To...	Select...
Create a new BACview file	File > New , then select one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• BACview (4x40) to make screens for a large BACview device• BACview (2x16) to make screens for a small BACview device
Open an existing BACview file created in ViewBuilder	File > Open , then select the file. NOTE If the file is not listed, verify that the Files of Type selection lists BACview files.
Import a BACview HTML file that was not created in ViewBuilder	File > Import > BACview HTML , then select the file. NOTES <ul style="list-style-type: none">• If the HTML file is for a small BACview (2x16), add <code>type="small"</code> to the HTML file's <code><BODY></code> tag before importing. EXAMPLE: <code><BODY type="small"></code>• If  appears in ViewBuilder's lower right corner, click the triangle to see import errors or warnings. These details are available until you save the file.• If your BACview file was created in BACview Artist, export it to HTML in BACview Artist, then import the HTML file in ViewBuilder.

- 2 Select **File > Save As**.

- 3 Browse to a convenient location on your computer.

- 4 Type a **File Name**, then click **Save**. ViewBuilder adds the **.bacview** extension to your file name.

NOTE To record information about the file, select **Configure > View Properties**, then type your name and comments on the **Summary** tab. **Revision History** shows each time the file was saved and the workstation it was saved on.

Making BACview® screens

A .bacview file includes the default screens listed below and any screens that you create in ViewBuilder.

Default screens

Every BACview file contains the screens listed below. The *standby* and *home* screens automatically display in the BACview device, but you must provide navigation to a system screen to have it display. See *Adding navigation* (page 210). The *home* and *standby* screens are editable; system screens are not editable.

NOTE The *Clockset* and *Comm* screens contain links to other screens that are not listed in the **Tools** window in ViewBuilder because you do not edit them or provide navigation to them. These linked screens are also shown below.

Screen name	Description
<i>standby</i>	Displays when the BACview device has had no operator activity for the time specified in the Keypad Inactivity timeout field in the controller driver. Leave this screen blank or <i>add controls or text</i> (page 205) to display information such as the date and time. Do not add lines to the standby screen.
<i>home</i>	Displays when an operator presses a key while the BACview device is in standby mode.  CAUTION Because this is the first screen that you see when the BACview device is activated, you must <i>add navigation</i> (page 210) to other screens in the system.

System screens

Displays if the screen the operator selected requires a password.

LOGIN	Admin or User Password: [*****] [→ OK] [→CANCEL]
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USERPW Lets the administrator set the user-level password.

View/ Set User Password: [] [→Prev]
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Screen name	Description
ALARM	Displays alarms received by the controller. You must define the alarms in ViewBuilder to have them display. See <i>Setting up alarms</i> (page 214).
	<pre>Module Event History (100 most recent) ===== ACTIVE ALARMS ===== None in buffer. ===== ACTIVE FAULTS ===== None in buffer. ===== RETURNED-TO-NORMAL (RTN) ===== None in buffer. ===== MANUALLY CLEARED (CLR) ===== None in buffer. [→Prev]</pre>
CLOCKSET	Lets an operator adjust the current time and date in the controller's real-time clock.
	<pre>Set Current Time/Date (24 hr clock) Time (hh:mm:ss): [22]: 02 : 12 Date (dd-mmm-yy): 01 - Nov - 09 [→Prev] [→DST]</pre>
	The [→DST] link jumps to the following screen where an operator can adjust the beginning and ending dates for daylight savings time.
	<pre>DST Start Time:[02]: 00 Amount: 060 Entry# Beg (mm-dd-yy) End (mm-dd-yy) 0 Mar 08 2009 Nov 01 2009 1 Mar 14 2010 Nov 07 2010 2 Mar 13 2011 Nov 06 2011 3 Mar 11 2012 Nov 04 2012 4 Mar 10 2013 Nov 03 2013 5 Mar 09 2014 Nov 02 2014 6 Mar 08 2015 Nov 01 2015 7 Mar 13 2016 Nov 06 2016 8 Mar 12 2017 Nov 05 2017 9 Mar 11 2018 Nov 04 2018 [→Prev]</pre>
KEYPAD	Lets an operator define:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The amount of time of inactivity before the <i>standby</i> screen is displayed
	NOTE This time can also be defined in the driver.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The priority (1–16) the BACview device uses to write to BACnet properties. 1 is the highest priority, 16 is the default.
	<pre>----- Keypad Configuration ----- Inactivity Timeout: [10] minutes BACnet Write Priority: 0 [→Prev]</pre>

NOTE System screens are a part of the BACview firmware. If a screen in the firmware is changed between releases of ViewBuilder, the ViewBuilder screen may look different than the actual BACview screen.

To add new screens

- 1 Click the **Screens** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Do one of the following:
 - In the screen list, double-click "untitled", then type a descriptive name.
 - Click  to add a new blank screen, then change its name.
 - Select an existing screen, click  to make a copy of it, then change the copy's name. You cannot copy a system screen (page 203).

NOTE To delete a screen, select the screen name, then click . You cannot delete any *default* screen (page 203).

Adding text, controls, headers, and footers to BACview® screens

You can add text, controls, headers, and footers to a BACview screen. If needed, you can increase the size of a screen by adding up to 100 lines.



CAUTION Typing text or placing a control on top of an existing control deletes the existing control.

To add text

Click in the cell where you want the text, then begin typing.

You can also copy text from another application and then paste it into a BACview screen.

To delete text, click and drag across the text to select it, then click  or press **Delete**.

To add a BACview control



- 1 Click the **Add Control** tab in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select a control. See *BACview controls and their properties* (page 206) for a description of each control.
- 3 Click on the screen where you want the control.

NOTE If you select a control and then decide you do not want to add it to the screen, press **Esc**.

- 4 Edit properties for the control in the **Control Properties** window. See *BACview controls and their properties* (page 206).
- 5 Click on the screen or press **Enter** on your keyboard to apply the properties.

NOTE To copy a control or text:

- Press **Ctrl+c** to copy the item and **Ctrl+v** to paste it on the same screen or a different screen.
- Press **Alt** as you drag the item to a new location on the same screen.

BACview controls and their properties

Each control, its usage, and the properties you define are described in the table below.

The first three controls have the following properties in common.

Object Name	Use ViewBuilder's System window to <i>insert the Object Name</i> (page 208) in this field. Or, you can find the point's Object Name in the i-Vu® interface on the point's Properties page > Details tab, under BACnet Configuration.
Editable	NOTE You must check Network Visible on the point's Details tab.

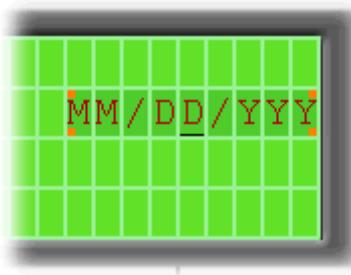
Editable Select to make the control editable in the BACview device.

Use this control...	To...	Properties
0.0 Number	Display any numerical value from an analog microblock.	Digits Left (or Right) of Decimal - Type the maximum number of digits that can appear to the left (or right) of the decimal. Show Degree Symbol - Select to display with a temperature. Range for Value - Type a Minimum and Maximum Value to define the acceptable range of values for the control.

Use this control...	To...	Properties
 Multi-State Control	Display the status of a microblock.	<p>Field Width - Select Use the length of the longest display value to have the full text from the Display column shown in the BACview device, or select Use the following value and then type a number to have ViewBuilder truncate the displayed text to that number of characters.</p> <p>In the Value-Display table, edit the entries in the Value column to show the actual values that the microblock will produce. Click  to add a row to the table or  to delete a row. For each value, change the Display column text to what you want that value to display in the BACview device.</p> <p>NOTE If this control is used in a large BACview device, it is editable, and the operator has selected it, the softkeys give him the following options: OK, CANCEL, DECR(EMENT), INCR(EMENT).</p>
 Advanced Multi-State Control (Large BACview device only)	Display the status of a microblock and assign point values to softkeys.	<p>Field Width - Select Use the length of the longest display value to have the full text from the Display column shown in the BACview device, or select Use the following value and then type a number to have ViewBuilder truncate the displayed text to that number of characters.</p> <p>In the Value-Display-Softkey table, edit the entries in the Value column to show the actual values that the microblock will produce. Click  to add a row to the table or  to delete a row. For each value, change the Display column text to what you want that value to display in the BACview device.</p> <p>NOTE The last value, NOP, gives the operator a means to cancel editing the control. You cannot delete this row.</p> <p>If you make the control editable, you can assign values to softkeys that the BACview operator can use to edit the point's value. To do this, select a Softkey in the table for each value.</p> <p>Click  to add values to the table, or  to delete values.</p>
 Date	Display the date in the controller's real-time clock.	Date Format - Choose how to display the date.
 Time	Display the time in the controller's real-time clock.	Time Format - Choose how to display the time.
 Link	Add a link to another screen.	See To add a link to a screen (page 211) .

NOTE If editing a control's property causes the control to overlap another control or to expand past the edge of the screen, the control appears in red to indicate the error. Drag the control to a new location.

EXAMPLE In the figure below, the date format was changed from MM/YYYY to MM/DD/YYYY.



To have ViewBuilder insert object names

Use the **System** window to insert the **Object Name** in the **Control Properties** window.

- 1 If you do not see the **System** window, click  on the toolbar.
- 2 In the **System** window, select the system you want from the drop-down list.
- 3 Click **Next**.
- 4 In the **Name** field, select your user name from the drop-down list.
- 5 Type your **Password**.
- 6 Click **Next**.
- 7 In the system tree, select the point for the control you want to program.
- 8 Do one of the following:
 - o Right-click the **Object Name** field in the **Control Properties** window, then select **Set Object Name**.
 - o Select **Edit > Set Object Name** in ViewBuilder's menu.

To add headers and footers

A header is an area at the top of a screen that does not scroll; a footer is at the bottom.

- 1 Click the **Screens** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Set the number of rows for a header or footer in the **Header** or **Footer** field.

EXAMPLE Set the **Header** field to 1 to have the first row be a header; set the **Footer** field to 2 to have the last 2 rows of the screen be a footer.

NOTE The total number of lines you can use for a header and footer are 3 on large BACview device and 1 on a small BACview device.

Setting items on a BACview screen to show/hide

You can set controls, text, or complete rows on a BACview® screen to show or hide based on one of the following:

- The value of a microblock property
- The password level of the user

EXAMPLE You want to create a single control program and screen file that can be used in multiple applications. In the control program, you enable a microblock for one application, but disable it for another application. In the screen file, you set information that applies to that microblock to show when the microblock is enabled and hide when it is disabled.

To set items to show/hide

Based on a microblock property's value

- 1 Select the item(s) you want to show/hide.
- 2 Click  on the toolbar.
- 3 In the **Object Name** field, type the microblock property's object name or select it from the drop-down list. You can use ViewBuilder's **System** window to *find the object name* (page 208).
- 4 In the **Show When** field, select:
 - **True** to show the information when the value of a binary microblock is 1 or the value of an analog microblock is anything other than 0.
 - **False** to show the selection when the value is 0.
- 5 Click **OK**.

Based on the user's password level

- 1 Select the item(s) you want to show/hide.
- 2 Click  on the toolbar.
- 3 In the **Object Name** field, select one of the following from the drop-down list:
 - **Sys.Exec.IsAdminLevel** to show/hide the selected items to a user logged in with the Admin password
 - **Sys.Exec.IsUserLevel** to show/hide the selected items to a user logged in with the User password

NOTE See *Password-protecting a BACview screen* (page 213) for information on the Admin and User passwords.
- 4 In the **Show When** field, select **True**.
- 5 Click **OK**.

NOTES

- The cells that you assigned the show/hide condition to are highlighted by a color. A different color is used for each unique condition.
- To move an item and its condition, hold down **Ctrl** as you drag the item.
- To copy an item and its condition, hold down **Alt** as you drag the item.
- Items moved or added into cells that have a show/high condition may or may not assume the condition. If you do not get the results you want, change the show/hide condition or click  to undo the action.
- If you hide part of a row, the cells will be blank when the screen is viewed in a BACview device. If you hide an entire row, the row will be completely removed from the screen. Design your screen so that a large BACview device will never have less than 4 rows and a small BACview device will never have less than 2 rows.

To edit or remove a show/hide condition

- 1 Select the cells whose condition you want to edit or remove.
- 2 Click  on the toolbar.
- 3 Do one of the following:
 - To edit a condition, change the **Object Name** or **Show When** field.
 - To remove a condition, delete the text in the **Object Name** field.
- 4 In the **Apply To** field, select:
 - **Selections only** to have the changes apply only to the selected cells.
 - **Wherever Used** to have the changes apply everywhere that the condition is used.
- 5 Click **OK**.

Adding navigation to BACview® screens

You can give an operator the following methods of moving from one screen to another:

When you provide a...	The operator...
Link	Uses the arrow keys to select the link, then presses Enter to go to the linked screen
Softkey link (Large BACview device only)	Presses the softkey below the link
Hotkey (Large BACview device only)	Presses FN plus the number key assigned to a particular screen

To add a link

If you place a link on a screen, the operator can use the arrow keys to select the link, and then press **Enter** to go to the linked screen.

To add a link:

- 1 Click the **Add Control** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select **Link**.
- 3 Click in the screen where you want the link.
- 4 In the **Control Properties** window, do one of the following:

If you want the link to go to...	Then...
A specific screen	In the Link to Screen field, select the screen the link will jump to.
The previous screen	Check Previous Screen .

- 5 In the **Link text** field, type the text that you want your screen to show for the link.

NOTE This field is not editable if you link to a system screen (page 203).

To add a softkey link

If you assign a softkey number to the link directly above the softkey, the operator can press that softkey to jump to the linked screen.

To add a softkey link:

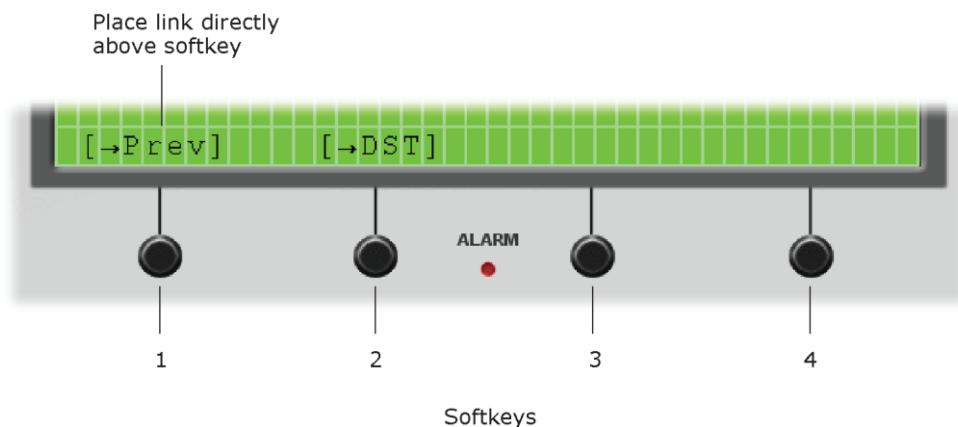
- 1 Click the **Add Control** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Select **Link**.
- 3 Click in the screen directly above the softkey that you want to be the link. See figure below.
- 4 In the **Control Properties** window, do one of the following:

If you want the link to go to...	Then...
A specific screen	In the Link to Screen field, select the screen the link will jump to.
The previous screen	Check Previous Screen .

- 5 In the **Link text** field, type the text that you want your screen to show for the link.

NOTE This field is not editable if you link to a system screen (page 203).

6 Select the softkey number in the **Assign to Softkey** field.



To assign a hotkey to a screen

If you assign a hotkey number to a screen, an operator can press **FN** plus that number to jump to the screen.

If you want a hotkey to go to...	Then...
A specific screen	<p>1 Click the Screens tab  in the Tools window.</p> <p>2 Select the screen name.</p> <p>3 Select the hotkey number in the Hotkey field.</p>
The previous screen	Select a hotkey number in the Previous Screen Hotkey field.



TIP Create a screen that shows all the hotkeys and their destinations.

To test the navigation

To test a...	Click anywhere outside the BACview screen and then click...
Link	The arrow keys to select the link (the link will have brackets around it). Then click Enter .
Softkey link (Large BACview device only)	The softkey below the link.
Hotkey link (Large BACview device only)	FN and then the hotkey number assigned to a screen.

Password-protecting a BACview® screen

To provide security for your i-Vu® system, you can assign a password level to a screen on the **Screens** tab in the **Tools** window.



A screen with this password level...	Can be accessed by...
None	Anyone, but to edit a field in this screen, the operator must log in with either the User or Admin password.
User	An operator logged in with the User or Admin password.
Admin	An operator logged in with the Admin password.

Create the 4-digit Admin and User passwords using the instructions below.

To create the Admin password

- 1 In ViewBuilder's menu, select **Configure > View Properties**.
- 2 Type any 4-digit number in the **Admin Password** field.

To create the User password

A BACview device has a single User password shared by its operators. You do not create this password in ViewBuilder. The person with the Admin password creates the User password on the BACview device after the .bacview file has been downloaded to the controller.

To create the User password:

- 1 Navigate to the *USERPW* screen on the BACview device.
- 2 Log in with the Admin password.
- 3 Type any 4-digit number as the User password.

Setting up alarms for a BACview® device

The BACview Alarm LED turns on (and the BACview horn may sound) when its controller receives a BACnet alarm that you set up on the **Alarms** tab in the **Tools** window. An operator can view the alarm description on the **ALARM** screen.

To set up an alarm:

- 1 Click the **Alarms** tab  in the **Tools** window.
- 2 Click the  to add an alarm.
- 3 Double-click that alarm's **Alarm Name** cell, then change the existing text to the alarm's BACnet Object Name.
- 4 Double-click the alarm's **Description** cell, then change the existing text to the description that you want to appear on the **ALARM** screen.
- 5 Check **Use Horn?** to have the BACview device audibly notify an operator when it receives an alarm.

NOTES

- To delete an alarm, select the alarm, then click .
- Click a column heading on the **Alarms** tab to sort the alarms.
- You should enable each alarm's **Return to Normal** field in the i-Vu® interface to prevent the Alarm LED and horn from remaining on until an operator can clear the alarm.

To save, assign, and download the BACview® file

- 1 Save the .touch or .bacview file to a convenient location on your computer.

Then, in the i-Vu® interface:

- 2 Right-click the controller and select **Driver Properties** to attach the screen file.
- 3 **Download All Content** to the controller.

NOTE If the controller has an **Router Config Mode** DIP switch, make sure that this DIP switch is off when connecting a touchscreen device.

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	Controls and their properties	Added Fill Options to SVG Floorplan	X-O-TC-O-TC
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