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Math Channels – channels meanings

Question:

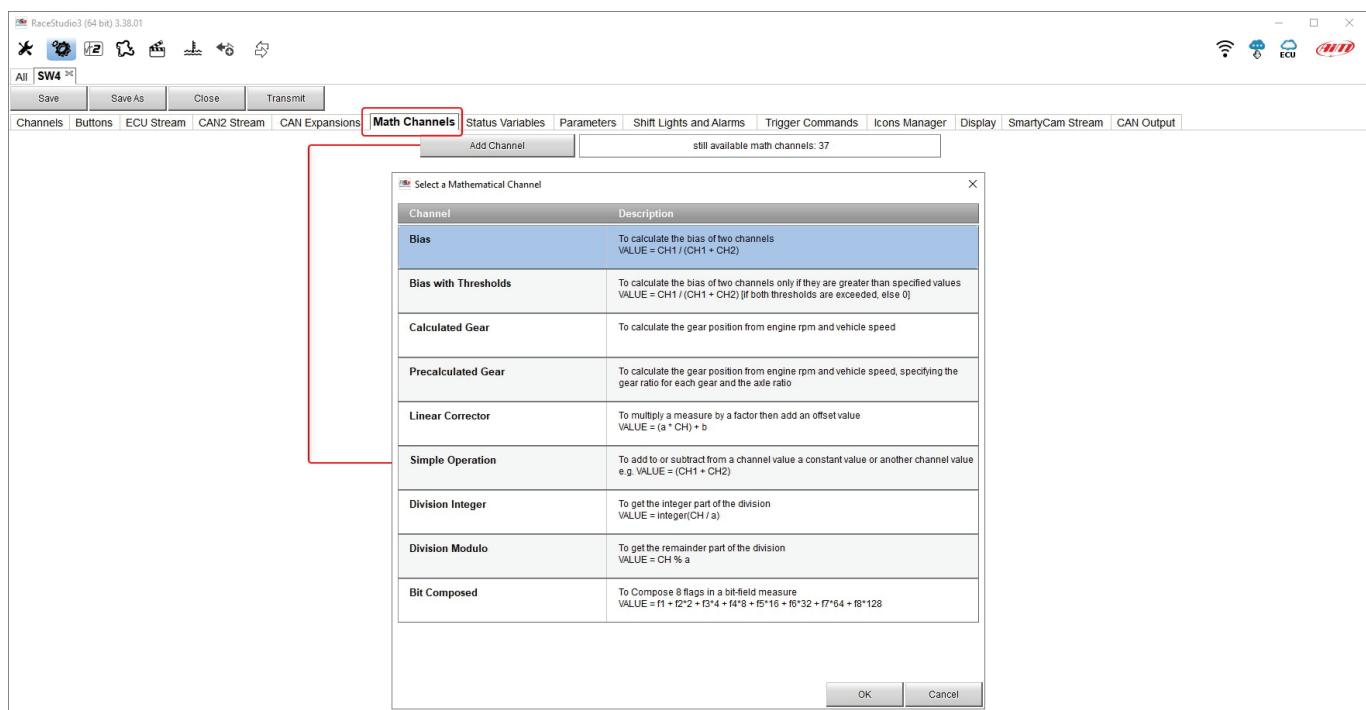
How can I use mathematical channels and how should I interpret their calculated values?

Answer:

Mathematical channels use one or more configuration channels for math calculations in this way obtaining an additional channel based on instant reference values recorded during the session.

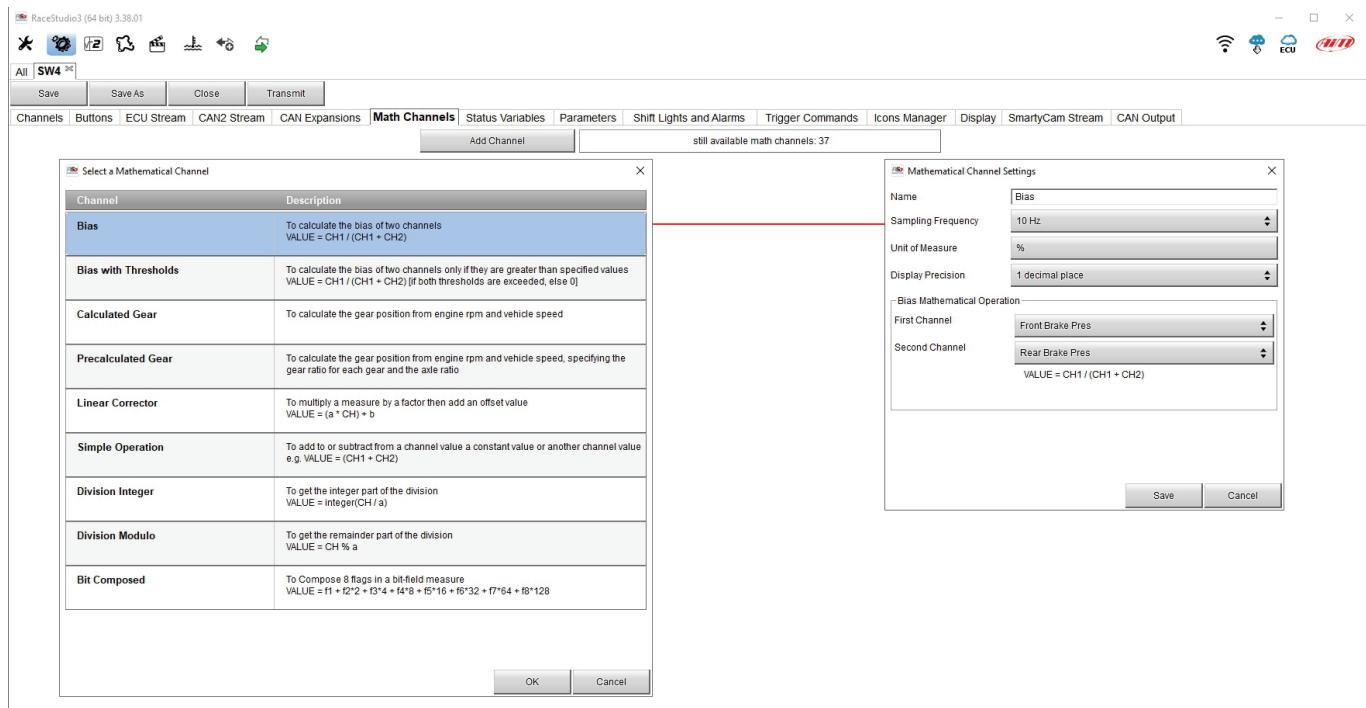
To create mathematical channels:

- enter “Math Channels” tab
- click “Add Channel” and a window that describes each available math channel logic is prompted.



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Bias: this math channel expresses the intervention percentage of the first between two selected channels (that must have the same function), calculating it in relation with their addition.
In the following example, the relation between front and rear brake pressure channels is expressed.





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Bias with Threshold: this math channel function is the same as "Bias" but the computation is performed from set threshold values onwards. This additional setting is useful, for example, when the selected channels show an unstable behaviour in low values.

This math channel value is different from zero when both channels instant values are higher than the fixed threshold ones.

The screenshot shows the RaceStudio3 interface with the 'Math Channels' tab selected. A red arrow points from the 'Bias with Thresholds' entry in the left dialog to the 'Bias Mathematical Operation' section in the right dialog.

Select a Mathematical Channel Dialog (Left):

Channel	Description
Bias	To calculate the bias of two channels VALUE = CH1 / (CH1 + CH2)
Bias with Thresholds	To calculate the bias of two channels only if they are greater than specified values VALUE = CH1 / (CH1 + CH2) [if both thresholds are exceeded, else 0]
Calculated Gear	To calculate the gear position from engine rpm and vehicle speed
Precalculated Gear	To calculate the gear position from engine rpm and vehicle speed, specifying the gear ratio for each gear and the axle ratio
Linear Corrector	To multiply a measure by a factor then add an offset value VALUE = (a * CH) + b
Simple Operation	To add to or subtract from a channel value a constant value or another channel value e.g. VALUE = (CH1 + CH2)
Division Integer	To get the integer part of the division VALUE = integer(CH / a)
Division Modulo	To get the remainder part of the division VALUE = CH % a
Bit Composed	To Compose 8 flags in a bit-field measure VALUE = f1 + f2*2 + f3*4 + f4*8 + f5*16 + f6*32 + f7*64 + f8*128

Mathematical Channel Settings Dialog (Right):

Name	Bias w Thrs		
Sampling Frequency	10 Hz		
Unit of Measure	%		
Display Precision	1 decimal place		
Bias Mathematical Operation			
First Channel	Front Brake Pres	Min. Threshold	2 bar
Second Channel	Rear Brake Pres	Min. Threshold	2 bar
VALUE = CH1 / (CH1 + CH2) [if both thresholds are exceeded, else 0]			

Buttons at the bottom of both dialogs: OK, Cancel, Save.



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Calculated Gear: this math channel can calculate gear selecting the reference RPM and speed channels, shifting time and the highest gear number. Once the setup transmitted a gear calibration lap is needed to make the system calculate each gear ratio.

The screenshot shows the RaceStudio3 interface with the 'Math Channels' tab selected. A red line highlights the 'Calculated Gear' row in the 'Select a Mathematical Channel' list. The right panel displays the 'Mathematical Channel Settings' for 'Calculated Gear', including the RPM Channel (RPM ENG), Speed Channel (GPS Speed), Shift Time (0.3 [sec]), and Highest Gear Number (6). The 'OK' button is visible at the bottom of the settings dialog.



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Pre-Calculated Gear: thanks to this math channel it is possible to pre-calculate gear, selecting reference RPM and speed channels and filling in the left settings, specifically all gear ratios, wheel circumference and axle ratio. In case a final transmission is also available (i.e. motorbikes), multiply the primary and final transmission ratio together and type the result in "Axe Ratio" box. In this case calibration lap is not needed.

The screenshot shows the RaceStudio3 interface with the 'Math Channels' tab selected. A red line highlights the 'PreCalculated Gear' option in the list of available channels. To the right, the 'Mathematical Channel Settings' dialog is open, showing the configuration for this channel. The 'Name' field is set to 'PreCalcGear' and the 'Sampling Frequency' is set to '10 Hz'. Under the 'Calculated Gear' section, the 'RPM Channel' is set to 'RPM' and the 'Speed Channel' is set to 'GPS Speed'. The 'Wheel Circumference' is set to '1600 [mm]'. The 'Axe Ratio (Load Shaft / Main Shaft)' is set to '1'. The 'Shift Time' is set to '0.3 [sec]'. The 'Highest Gear Number' is set to '6'. The 'Gear Ratio (Load Shaft / Main Shaft)' table shows values for gears 1 through 6: Gear 1 has ratios 7, 2, 5.5, 3, 4.5; Gear 4 has ratios 3, 5, 2, 6, 1. At the bottom of the dialog are 'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons.



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Linear Corrector: it is possible to set a multiplier and a positive/negative offset to the channel instant value, so to correct its final measure.

In the following image, this operation is performed on Lambda channel (multiplied), to obtain its related AFR value.

The screenshot shows the RaceStudio3 (64 bit) 3.38.01 interface. The top menu bar includes Save, Save As, Close, Transmit, and a tab bar with All, SW4, Math Channels (which is selected), Status Variables, Parameters, Shift Lights and Alarms, Trigger Commands, Icons Manager, Display, SmartyCam Stream, and CAN Output. Below the menu is a toolbar with various icons. The main window has tabs for Channels, Buttons, ECU Stream, CAN2 Stream, CAN Expansions, and Math Channels. The Math Channels tab is active, showing a list of available mathematical channels. One channel, 'Linear Corrector', is highlighted with a blue background. To the right of the list is a detailed configuration dialog for the selected channel. The dialog title is 'Mathematical Channel Settings' with a name 'LinearCorr'. It contains sections for 'Linear Correction Parameters' (Channel: MB800 LAMBDA1 (lambda), Multiplier (a): 0.680, Offset (b): 0.000), 'Function' (Lambda), 'Sampling Frequency' (10 Hz), 'Unit of Measure' (Lambda), and 'Display Precision' (1 decimal place). At the bottom of the dialog are 'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons. The overall interface is light gray with black text and blue highlights for selected items.



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Simple Operation: starting from an existing channel, a new math channel can be obtained, adding or subtracting a constant value or another configuration channel instant value.

In the following example, instant barometric pressure value is subtracted to the manifold air pressure one, so obtaining the boost pressure value, given by the difference between these two channels values during the session.

The screenshot shows the RaceStudio3 interface with the 'Math Channels' tab selected. A dialog box titled 'Select a Mathematical Channel' is open, listing various options like Bias, Bias with Thresholds, Calculated Gear, etc. The 'Simple Operation' option is highlighted. To the right, a 'Mathematical Channel Settings' dialog box is open, showing the configuration for a 'Boost' channel. The formula is set to 'M800 MANIFPRES - M800 EXHAUST PRESS'. The 'Sampling Frequency' is set to 10 Hz, and the 'Unit of Measure' is set to bar.



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Division Modulo: this math channel gives back the remainder in a division with integer result.
In the example: M800 CHANN1 is divided by 1000. Assuming that M800 CHANN1= 8530 Division Modulo is 530.

The screenshot shows the RaceStudio3 interface with the 'Math Channels' tab selected. A dialog box titled 'Select a Mathematical Channel' is open, listing various mathematical operations. The 'Division Modulo' option is highlighted. To the right, a configuration dialog for 'Mathematical Channel Settings' is displayed, showing the setup for a 'Division Modulo' operation. The 'First Channel' is set to 'M800 CHANN1' and the 'Divider' is set to '1000'. The formula 'VALUE = CH % a' is shown at the bottom.

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Bit composed: you need up to 8 channels with 0/1 values, you can use to compose these values into each single bit of a byte. Normally this can be used to compose more information into single channel of a byte to be sent via CAN bus.

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- Name: BitComposed
- Sampling Frequency: 10 Hz
- Display Precision: no decimal place
- Bit Compositing Operation:
 - Enable: checked
 - Flag Channel 1 (f1) Left Button 2
 - Flag Channel 2 (f2) Left Button 3
 - Flag Channel 3 (f3) Left Button 4
 - Flag Channel 4 (f4) Left Button 5
 - Flag Channel 5 (f5) Right Button 2
 - Flag Channel 6 (f6) Right Button 3
 - Flag Channel 7 (f7) Right Button 4
 - Flag Channel 8 (f8) Right Button 5
- Value formula: VALUE = f1 + f2*2 + f3*4 + f4*8 + f5*16 + f6*32 + f7*64 + f8*128

Buttons at the bottom of the dialogs are OK, Cancel, Save, and Close.