

# Marvelmind C library and example

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## 1. About the library

Marvelmind C library provides an example of building the system for receiving coordinates from Marvelmind mobile beacons by user's software running on supported operating systems:

- Microsoft Windows
- GNU/Linux (including Raspberry Pi)
- Mac OS X

Archive contains a simple example of library usage (example.c):

## 2. Building the example

To build the example on GNU/Linux or another \*nix-OS you need to have installed GCC. Then unpack the archive, change directory to unpacked library and run make in console. Then you can execute `./marvelmind_example` to watch data from Marvelmind beacon being received.

Pre-built example for Microsoft Windows is included in the archive. If you want to re-build it, you may use integrated development environment (such a MS Visual Studio, Code::Blocks etc.): create empty console project and add 3 source files (example.c, marvelmind.h, marvelmind.c) into the project and run build. You may need to change the project settings to successfully build it.

## 3. Command line options of the example

You may specify another serial port as command line argument. For example:

```
marvelmind_example /dev/ttyACM2
```

or for Microsoft Windows:

```
marvelmind_example.exe COM4
```

Use prefix `\\.` if serial port number is bigger than 9:

```
marvelmind_example.exe \\.\COM10
```

## 4. Using the library

Example of library usage see in the file example.c. You can use the library in your own projects by adding file marvelmind.c into build, including marvelmind.h:

```
#include "marvelmind.h"
```

and your code may follow the sequence:

4.1. Call `createMarvelmindHedge` to allocate memory for library structure (`struct MarvelmindHedge`). You need to call it before any other usage of the library

4.2. Modify some variables in created structure, if needed. For example, you can change serial port filename or/and baudrate, enable verbose messages or use some another features, list of them you can found in file `marvelmind.h`

4.3. Call `startMarvelmindHedge` to tell library to start collecting and parsing data received from Marvelmind beacon

4.4. Get the data: call `getPositionFromMarvelmindHedge` to get 3-axis coordinates of connected beacon or call `printPositionFromMarvelmindHedge` to print it on console output. You can repeat this step

4.5. After usage call `stopMarvelmindHedge` to stop the collecting thread

4.6. Call `destroyMarvelmindHedge` to free memory, used by Marvelmind library