

# **X11 Input Extension Protocol Specification**

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## 1.1. Input Extension Overview

This document defines an extension to the X11 protocol to support input devices other than the core X keyboard and pointer. An accompanying document defines a corresponding extension to Xlib (similar extensions for languages other than C are anticipated). This first section gives an overview of the input extension. The next section defines the new protocol requests defined by the extension. We conclude with a description of the new input events generated by the additional input devices.

## 1.2. Design Approach

The design approach of the extension is to define requests and events analogous to the core requests and events. This allows extension input devices to be individually distinguishable from each other and from the core input devices. These requests and events make use of a device identifier and support the reporting of n-dimensional motion data as well as other data that is not reportable via the core input events.

## 1.3. Core Input Devices

The X server core protocol supports two input devices: a pointer and a keyboard. The pointer device has two major functions. First, it may be used to generate motion information that client programs can detect. Second, it may also be used to indicate the current location and focus of the X keyboard. To accomplish this, the server echoes a cursor at the current position of the X pointer. Unless the X keyboard has been explicitly focused, this cursor also shows the current location and focus of the X keyboard.

The X keyboard is used to generate input that client programs can detect.

The X keyboard and X pointer are referred to in this document as the *core devices*, and the input events they generate (**KeyPress**, **KeyRelease**, **ButtonPress**, **ButtonRelease**, and **MotionNotify**) are known as the *core input events*. All other input devices are referred to as *extension input devices* and the input events they generate are referred to as *extension input events*.

### Note

This input extension does not change the behavior or functionality of the core input devices, core events, or core protocol requests, with the exception of the core grab requests. These requests may affect the synchronization of events from extension devices. See the explanation in the section titled "Event Synchronization and Core Grabs".

Selection of the physical devices to be initially used by the server as the core devices is left implementation-dependent. Requests are defined that allow client programs to change which physical devices are used as the core devices.

## 1.4. Extension Input Devices

The input extension controls access to input devices other than the X keyboard and X pointer. It allows client programs to select input from these devices independently from each other and independently from the core devices.

A client that wishes to access a specific device must first determine whether that device is connected to the X server. This is done through the **ListInputDevices** request, which will return a list of all devices that can be opened by the X server. A client can then open one or more of these devices using the **OpenDevice** request, specify what events they are interested in receiving, and receive and process input events from extension devices in the same way as events from the X

keyboard and X pointer. Input events from these devices are of extension types (**DeviceKeyPress**, **DeviceKeyRelease**, **DeviceButtonPress**, **DeviceButtonRelease**, **DeviceMotionNotify**, etc.) and contain a device identifier so that events of the same type coming from different input devices can be distinguished.

Any kind of input device may be used as an extension input device. Extension input devices may have 0 or more keys, 0 or more buttons, and may report 0 or more axes of motion. Motion may be reported as relative movements from a previous position or as an absolute position. All valuator reporting motion information for a given extension input device must report the same kind of motion information (absolute or relative).

This extension is designed to accommodate new types of input devices that may be added in the future. The protocol requests that refer to specific characteristics of input devices organize that information by **input classes**. Server implementors may add new classes of input devices without changing the protocol requests. Input classes are unique numbers registered with the X Consortium. Each extension input device may support multiple input classes.

All extension input devices are treated like the core X keyboard in determining their location and focus. The server does not track the location of these devices on an individual basis, and therefore does not echo a cursor to indicate their current location. Instead, their location is determined by the location of the core X pointer. Like the core X keyboard, some may be explicitly focused. If they are not explicitly focused, their focus is determined by the location of the core X pointer.

Input events reported by the server to a client are of fixed size (32 bytes). In order to represent the change in state of an input device the extension may need to generate a sequence of input events. A client side library (such as Xlib) will typically take these raw input events and format them into a form more convenient to the client.

#### 1.4.1. Event Classes

In the core protocol a client registers interest in receiving certain input events directed to a window by modifying that window's event-mask. Most of the bits in the event mask are already used to specify interest in core X events. The input extension specifies a different mechanism by which a client can express interest in events generated by this extension.

When a client opens a extension input device via the **OpenDevice** request, an **XDevice** structure is returned. Macros are provided that extract 32-bit numbers called **event classes** from that structure, that a client can use to register interest in extension events via the **SelectExtensionEvent** request. The event class combines the desired event type and device id, and may be thought of as the equivalent of core event masks.

#### 1.4.2. Input Classes

Some of the input extension requests divide input devices into classes based on their functionality. This is intended to allow new classes of input devices to be defined at a later time without changing the semantics of these requests. The following input device classes are currently defined:

##### **KEY**

The device reports key events.

##### **BUTTON**

The device reports button events.

##### **VALUATOR**

The device reports valuator data in motion events.

##### **PROXIMITY**

The device reports proximity events.

## FOCUS

The device can be focused and reports focus events.

## FEEDBACK

The device supports feedbacks.

## OTHER

The **ChangeDeviceNotify**, **DeviceMappingNotify**, and **DeviceStateNotify** macros may be invoked passing the **XDevice** structure returned for this device.

Each extension input device may support multiple input classes. Additional classes may be added in the future. Requests that support multiple input classes, such as the **ListInputDevices** function that lists all available input devices, organize the data they return by input class. Client programs that use these requests should not access data unless it matches a class defined at the time those clients were compiled. In this way, new classes can be added without forcing existing clients that use these requests to be recompiled.

## 2. Requests

Extension input devices are accessed by client programs through the use of new protocol requests. This section summarizes the new requests defined by this extension. The syntax and type definitions used below follow the notation used for the X11 core protocol.

### 2.1. Getting the Extension Version

The **GetExtensionVersion** request returns version information about the input extension.

GetExtensionVersion

name: STRING

=>

present: BOOL

protocol-major-version: CARD16

protocol-minor-version: CARD16

The protocol version numbers returned indicate the version of the input extension supported by the target X server. The version numbers can be compared to constants defined in the header file **XI.h**. Each version is a superset of the previous versions.

### 2.2. Listing Available Devices

A client that wishes to access a specific device must first determine whether that device is connected to the X server. This is done through the **ListInputDevices** request, which will return a list of all devices that can be opened by the X server.

ListInputDevices

=>

input-devices: LISTofDEVICEINFO

where

DEVICEINFO: [type: ATOM  
 id: CARD8  
 num\_classes: CARD8  
 use: {IsXKeyboard, IsXPointer, IsExtensionDevice}  
 info: LISTofINPUTINFO  
 name: STRING8]

INPUTINFO: {KEYINFO, BUTTONINFO, VALUATORINFO}

KEYINFO: [class: CARD8  
 length: CARD8  
 min-keycode: KEYCODE  
 max-keycode: KEYCODE  
 num-keys: CARD16]

BUTTONINFO: [class: CARD8  
 length: CARD8  
 num-buttons: CARD16]

VALUATORINFO: [class: CARD8  
 length: CARD8  
 num\_axes: CARD8  
 mode: SETofDEVICEMODE  
 motion\_buffer\_size: CARD32  
 axes: LISTofAXISINFO]

AXISINFO: [resolution: CARD32  
 min-val: CARD32  
 max-val: CARD32]

DEVICEMODE: {Absolute, Relative}

Errors: None

This request returns a list of all devices that can be opened by the X server, including the core X keyboard and X pointer. Some implementations may open all input devices as part of X initialization, while others may not open an input device until requested to do so by a client program.

- The information returned for each device is as follows:

The **type** field is of type **Atom** and indicates the nature of the device. Clients may determine device types by invoking the **XInternAtom** request passing one of the names defined in the header file **XI.h**. The following names have been defined to date:

MOUSE  
TABLET  
KEYBOARD  
TOUCHSCREEN  
TOUCHPAD  
BUTTONBOX  
BARCODE  
KNOB\_BOX  
TRACKBALL  
QUADRATURE  
SPACEBALL  
DATAGLOVE  
EYETRACKER  
CURSORKEYS  
FOOTMOUSE  
ID\_MODULE  
ONE\_KNOB  
NINE\_KNOB

The **id** is a small cardinal value in the range 0-128 that uniquely identifies the device. It is assigned to the device when it is initialized by the server. Some implementations may not open an input device until requested by a client program, and may close the device when the last client accessing it requests that it be closed. If a device is opened by a client program via **XOpenDevice**, then closed via **XCloseDevice**, then opened again, it is not guaranteed to have the same id after the second open request.

The **num\_classes** field is a small cardinal value in the range 0-255 that specifies the number of input classes supported by the device for which information is returned by **ListInputDevices**. Some input classes, such as class **Focus** and class **Proximity** do not have any information to be returned by **ListInputDevices**.

The **use** field specifies how the device is currently being used. If the value is **IsXKeyboard**, the device is currently being used as the X keyboard. If the value is **IsXPointer**, the device is currently being used as the X pointer. If the value is **IsXExtensionDevice**, the device is available for use as an extension device.

The **name** field contains a pointer to a null-terminated string that corresponds to one of the defined device types.

- **InputInfo** is one of: **KeyInfo**, **ButtonInfo** or **ValuatorInfo**. The first two fields are common to all three:

The **class** field is a cardinal value in the range 0-255. It uniquely identifies the class of input for which information is returned.

The **length** field is a cardinal value in the range 0-255. It specifies the number of bytes of data that are contained in this input class. The length includes the class and length fields.

The remaining information returned for input class **KEYCLASS** is as follows:

**min\_keycode** is of type **KEYCODE**. It specifies the minimum keycode that the device will report. The minimum keycode will not be smaller than 8.

**max\_keycode** is of type **KEYCODE**. It specifies the maximum keycode that the device will report. The maximum keycode will not be larger than 255.

**num\_keys** is a cardinal value that specifies the number of keys that the device has.

The remaining information returned for input class **BUTTONCLASS** is as follows:

**num\_buttons** is a cardinal value that specifies the number of buttons that the device has.

The remaining information returned for input class **VALUATORCLASS** is as follows:

**mode** is a constant that has one of the following values: **Absolute** or **Relative**. Some devices allow the mode to be changed dynamically via the **SetDeviceMode** request.

**motion\_buffer\_size** is a cardinal number that specifies the number of elements that can be contained in the motion history buffer for the device.

The **axes** field contains a pointer to an **AXISINFO** structure.

- The information returned for each axis reported by the device is:

The **resolution** is a cardinal value in counts/meter.

The **min\_val** field is a cardinal value in that contains the minimum value the device reports for this axis. For devices whose mode is **Relative**, the **min\_val** field will contain 0.

The **max\_val** field is a cardinal value in that contains the maximum value the device reports for this axis. For devices whose mode is **Relative**, the **max\_val** field will contain 0.

### 2.3. Enabling Devices

Client programs that wish to access an extension device must request that the server open that device. This is done via the **OpenDevice** request.

OpenDevice

id: CARD8

=>

DEVICE: [device\_id: XID  
num\_classes: INT32  
classes: LISTofINPUTCLASSINFO]

INPUTCLASSINFO: [input\_class: CARD8  
event\_type\_base: CARD8]

Errors: Device

This request returns the event classes to be used by the client to indicate which events the client program wishes to receive. Each input class may report several event classes. For example, input class **Keys** reports **DeviceKeyPress** and **DeviceKeyRelease** event classes. Input classes are unique numbers registered with the X Consortium. Input class **Other** exists to report event classes that are not specific to any one input class, such as **DeviceMappingNotify**, **ChangeDeviceNotify**, and **DeviceStateNotify**.

- The information returned for each device is as follows:

The **device\_id** is a number that uniquely identifies the device.

The **num\_classes** field contains the number of input classes supported by this device.

- For each class of input supported by the device, the **InputClassInfo** structure contains the following information:



The **input\_class** is a small cardinal number that identifies the class of input.

The **event\_type\_base** is a small cardinal number that specifies the event type of one of the events reported by this input class. This information is not directly used by client programs. Instead, the **Device** is used by macros that return extension event types and event classes. This is described in the section of this document entitled "Selecting Extension Device Events".

Before it exits, the client program should explicitly request that the server close the device. This is done via the **CloseDevice** request.

A client may open the same extension device more than once. Requests after the first successful one return an additional **XDevice** structure with the same information as the first, but otherwise have no effect. A single **CloseDevice** request will terminate that client's access to the device.

Closing a device releases any active or passive grabs the requesting client has established. If the device is frozen only by an active grab of the requesting client, the queued events are released when the client terminates.

If a client program terminates without closing a device, the server will automatically close that device on behalf of the client. This does not affect any other clients that may be accessing that device.

CloseDevice  
device: DEVICE

Errors: Device

## 2.4. Changing The Mode Of A Device

Some devices are capable of reporting either relative or absolute motion data. To change the mode of a device from relative to absolute, use the **SetDeviceMode** request. The valid values are **Absolute** or **Relative**.

This request will fail and return **DeviceBusy** if another client already has the device open with a different mode. It will fail and return **AlreadyGrabbed** if another client has the device grabbed. The request will fail with a **BadMatch** error if the requested mode is not supported by the device.

SetDeviceMode  
device: DEVICE  
mode: {Absolute, Relative}

Errors: Device, Match, Mode

=>  
status: {Success, DeviceBusy, AlreadyGrabbed}

## 2.5. Initializing Valuator on an Input Device

Some devices that report absolute positional data can be initialized to a starting value. Devices that are capable of reporting relative motion or absolute positional data may require that their val-  
uators be initialized to a starting value after the mode of the device is changed to **Absolute**. To initialize the valuator on such a device, use the **SetDeviceValuators** request.

#### SetDeviceValuators

device: DEVICE  
first\_valuator: CARD8  
num\_valuators: CARD8  
valuators: LISTOFINT32

Errors: Length, Device, Match, Value

=>

status: {Success, AlreadyGrabbed}

This request initializes the specified valuators on the specified extension input device. Valuators are numbered beginning with zero. Only the valuators in the range specified by first\_valuator and num\_valuators are set. If the number of valuators supported by the device is less than the expression first\_valuator + num\_valuators, a **Value** error will result.

If the request succeeds, **Success** is returned. If the specified device is grabbed by some other client, the request will fail and a status of **AlreadyGrabbed** will be returned.

## 2.6. Getting Input Device Controls

#### GetDeviceControl

device: DEVICE  
control: XID

Errors: Length, Device, Match, Value

=>

controlState: {DeviceState}

where

DeviceState: DeviceResolutionState

Errors: Length, Device, Match, Value

This request returns the current state of the specified device control. The device control must be supported by the target server and device or an error will result.

If the request is successful, a pointer to a generic DeviceState structure will be returned. The information returned varies according to the specified control and is mapped by a structure appropriate for that control.

GetDeviceControl will fail with a BadValue error if the server does not support the specified control. It will fail with a BadMatch error if the device does not support the specified control.

Supported device controls and the information returned for them include:

DEVICE\_RESOLUTION: [control: CARD16  
length: CARD16  
num\_valuators: CARD8  
resolutions: LISTofCARD32  
min\_resolutions: LISTofCARD32  
max\_resolutions: LISTofCARD32]

This device control returns a list of valuators and the range of valid resolutions allowed for each. Valuators are numbered beginning with 0. Resolutions for all valuators on the device are returned. For each valuator *i* on the device, `resolutions[i]` returns the current setting of the resolution, `min_resolutions[i]` returns the minimum valid setting, and `max_resolutions[i]` returns the maximum valid setting.

When this control is specified, `XGetDeviceControl` will fail with a `BadMatch` error if the specified device has no valuators.

ChangeDeviceControl  
device: DEVICE  
XID: controlId  
control: DeviceControl

where

DeviceControl: DeviceResolutionControl

Errors: Length, Device, Match, Value

=>

status: {Success, DeviceBusy, AlreadyGrabbed}

`ChangeDeviceControl` changes the specified device control according to the values specified in the `DeviceControl` structure. The device control must be supported by the target server and device or an error will result.

The information passed with this request varies according to the specified control and is mapped by a structure appropriate for that control.

`ChangeDeviceControl` will fail with a `BadValue` error if the server does not support the specified control. It will fail with a `BadMatch` error if the server supports the specified control, but the requested device does not. The request will fail and return a status of `DeviceBusy` if another client already has the device open with a device control state that conflicts with the one specified in the request. It will fail with a status of `AlreadyGrabbed` if some other client has grabbed the specified device. If the request succeeds, `Success` is returned. If it fails, the device control is left unchanged.

Supported device controls and the information specified for them include:

DEVICE\_RESOLUTION: [control: CARD16  
length: CARD16  
first\_valuator: CARD8  
num\_valuators: CARD8  
resolutions: LISTofCARD32]

This device control changes the resolution of the specified valuator on the specified extension input device. Valuator are numbered beginning with zero. Only the valuator in the range specified by `first_valuator` and `num_valuators` are set. A value of -1 in the resolutions list indicates that the resolution for this valuator is not to be changed. `num_valuators` specifies the number of valuator in the resolutions list.

When this control is specified, `XChangeDeviceControl` will fail with a `BadMatch` error if the specified device has no valuator. If a resolution is specified that is not within the range of valid values (as returned by `XGetDeviceControl`) the request will fail with a `BadValue` error. If the number of valuator supported by the device is less than the expression `first_valuator + num_valuators`, a `BadValue` error will result.

If the request fails for any reason, none of the valuator resolutions will be changed.

## 2.7. Selecting Extension Device Events

Extension input events are selected using the **SelectExtensionEvent** request.

SelectExtensionEvent

    window: WINDOW

    interest: LISTofEVENTCLASS

    Errors: Window, Class, Access

This request specifies to the server the events within the specified window which are of interest to the client. As with the core **XSelectInput** function, multiple clients can select input on the same window.

**XSelectExtensionEvent** requires a list of *event classes*. An event class is a 32-bit number that combines an event type and device id, and is used to indicate which event a client wishes to receive and from which device it wishes to receive it. Macros are provided to obtain event classes from the data returned by the **XOpenDevice** request. The names of these macros correspond to the desired events, i.e. the **DeviceKeyPress** is used to obtain the event class for **DeviceKeyPress** events. The syntax of the macro invocation is:

DeviceKeyPress (device, event\_type, event\_class);

    device: DEVICE

    event\_type: INT

    event\_class: INT

The value returned in **event\_type** is the value that will be contained in the event type field of the **XDeviceKeyPressEvent** when it is received by the client. The value returned in **event\_class** is the value that should be passed in making an **XSelectExtensionEvent** request to receive **DeviceKeyPress** events.

For **DeviceButtonPress** events, the client may specify whether or not an implicit passive grab should be done when the button is pressed. If the client wants to guarantee that it will receive a **DeviceButtonRelease** event for each **DeviceButtonPress** event it receives, it should specify the **DeviceButtonPressGrab** event class as well as the **DeviceButtonPress** event class. This restricts the client in that only one client at a time may request **DeviceButtonPress** events from the same device and window if any client specifies this class.

If any client has specified the **DeviceButtonPressGrab** class, any requests by any other client that specify the same device and window and specify **DeviceButtonPress** or **DeviceButtonPressGrab** will cause an **Access** error to be generated.

If only the **DeviceButtonPress** class is specified, no implicit passive grab will be done when a button is pressed on the device. Multiple clients may use this class to specify the same device and window combination.

A client may also specify the **DeviceOwnerGrabButton** class. If it has specified both the **DeviceButtonPressGrab** and the **DeviceOwnerGrabButton** classes, implicit passive grabs will activate with `owner_events` set to **True**. If only the **DeviceButtonPressGrab** class is specified, implicit passive grabs will activate with `owner_events` set to **False**.

The client may select **DeviceMotion** events only when a button is down. It does this by specifying the event classes **Button1Motion** through **Button5Motion**, or **ButtonMotion**. An input device will only support as many button motion classes as it has buttons.

## 2.8. Determining Selected Events

To determine which extension events are currently selected from a given window, use **GetSelectedExtensionEvents**.

```
GetSelectedExtensionEvents
    window: WINDOW
=>
    this-client: LISTofEVENTCLASS
    all-clients: LISTofEVENTCLASS

    Errors: Window
```

This request returns two lists specifying the events selected on the specified window. One list gives the extension events selected by this client from the specified window. The other list gives the extension events selected by all clients from the specified window. This information is equivalent to that returned by `your-event-mask` and `all-event-masks` in a **GetWindowAttributes** request.

## 2.9. Controlling Event Propagation

Extension events propagate up the window hierarchy in the same manner as core events. If a window is not interested in an extension event, it usually propagates to the closest ancestor that is interested, unless the `dont_propagate` list prohibits it. Grabs of extension devices may alter the set of windows that receive a particular extension event.

Client programs may control extension event propagation through the use of the following two requests.

**XChangeDeviceDontPropagateList** adds an event to or deletes an event from the `do_not_propagate` list of extension events for the specified window. This list is maintained for the life of the window, and is not altered if the client terminates.

```
ChangeDeviceDontPropagateList
    window: WINDOW
    eventclass: LISTofEVENTCLASS
```

mode: {AddToList, DeleteFromList}

Errors: Window, Class, Mode

This function modifies the list specifying the events that are not propagated to the ancestors of the specified window. You may use the modes **AddToList** or **DeleteFromList**.

GetDeviceDontPropagateList

window: WINDOW

Errors: Window

=>

dont-propagate-list: LISTofEVENTCLASS

This function returns a list specifying the events that are not propagated to the ancestors of the specified window.

## 2.10. Sending Extension Events

One client program may send an event to another via the **XSendExtensionEvent** function.

The event in the **XEvent** structure must be one of the events defined by the input extension, so that the X server can correctly byte swap the contents as necessary. The contents of the event are otherwise unaltered and unchecked by the X server except to force send\_event to **True** in the forwarded event and to set the sequence number in the event correctly.

XSendExtensionEvent returns zero if the conversion-to-wire protocol failed, otherwise it returns nonzero.

SendExtensionEvent

device: DEVICE

destination: WINDOW

propagate: BOOL

eventclass: LISTofEVENTCLASS

event: XEVENT

Errors: Device, Value, Class, Window

## 2.11. Getting Motion History

GetDeviceMotionEvents

device: DEVICE

start, stop: TIMESTAMP or CurrentTime

=>

nevents\_return: CARD32

mode\_return: {Absolute, Relative}

axis\_count\_return: CARD8

events: LISTofDEVICETIMECOORD

where

DEVICETIMECOORD: [data:LISTofINT32 time:TIMESTAMP]

Errors: Device, Match

This request returns all positions in the device's motion history buffer that fall between the specified start and stop times inclusive. If the start time is in the future, or is later than the stop time, no positions are returned.

The data field of the DEVICETIMECOORD structure is a sequence of data items. Each item is of type INT32, and there is one data item per axis of motion reported by the device. The number of axes reported by the device is returned in the axis\_count variable.

The value of the data items depends on the mode of the device, which is returned in the mode variable. If the mode is Absolute, the data items are the raw values generated by the device. These may be scaled by the client program using the maximum values that the device can generate for each axis of motion that it reports. The maximum and minimum values for each axis are reported by the **ListInputDevices** request.

If the mode is Relative, the data items are the relative values generated by the device. The client program must choose an initial position for the device and maintain a current position by accumulating these relative values.

## 2.12. Changing The Core Devices

These requests are provided to change which physical device is used as the X pointer or X keyboard.

### Note

Using these requests may change the characteristics of the core devices. The new pointer device may have a different number of buttons than the old one did, or the new keyboard device may have a different number of keys or report a different range of keycodes. Client programs may be running that depend on those characteristics. For example, a client program could allocate an array based on the number of buttons on the pointer device, and then use the button numbers received in button events as indices into that array. Changing the core devices could cause such client programs to behave improperly or abnormally terminate.

These requests change the X keyboard or X pointer device and generate an **ChangeDeviceNotify** event and a **MappingNotify** event. The **ChangeDeviceNotify** event is sent only to those clients that have expressed an interest in receiving that event via the **XSelectExtensionEvent** request. The specified device becomes the new X keyboard or X pointer device. The location of the core device does not change as a result of this request.

These requests fail and return **AlreadyGrabbed** if either the specified device or the core device it would replace are grabbed by some other client. They fail and return **GrabFrozen** if either device is frozen by the active grab of another client.

These requests fail with a **BadDevice** error if the specified device is invalid, or has not previously been opened via **OpenDevice**.

To change the X keyboard device, use the **ChangeKeyboardDevice** request. The specified

device must support input class **Keys** (as reported in the **ListInputDevices** request) or the request will fail with a **BadMatch** error. Once the device has successfully replaced one of the core devices, it is treated as a core device until it is in turn replaced by another **ChangeDevice** request, or until the server terminates. The termination of the client that changed the device will not cause it to change back. Attempts to use the **CloseDevice** request to close the new core device will fail with a **BadDevice** error.

The focus state of the new keyboard is the same as the focus state of the old X keyboard. If the new keyboard was not initialized with a **FocusRec**, one is added by the **ChangeKeyboardDevice** request. The X keyboard is assumed to have a **KbdFeedbackClassRec**. If the device was initialized without a **KbdFeedbackClassRec**, one will be added by this request. The **KbdFeedbackClassRec** will specify a null routine as the control procedure and the bell procedure.

**ChangeKeyboardDevice**

device: DEVICE

Errors: Device, Match

=>

status: Success, AlreadyGrabbed, Frozen

To change the X pointer device, use the **ChangePointerDevice** request. The specified device must support input class **Valuators** (as reported in the **ListInputDevices** request) or the request will fail with a **BadMatch** error. The valuators to be used as the x- and y-axes of the pointer device must be specified. Data from other valuators on the device will be ignored.

The X pointer device does not contain a **FocusRec**. If the new pointer was initialized with a **FocusRec**, it is freed by the **ChangePointerDevice** request. The X pointer is assumed to have a **ButtonClassRec** and a **PtrFeedbackClassRec**. If the device was initialized without a **ButtonClassRec** or a **PtrFeedbackClassRec**, one will be added by this request. The **ButtonClassRec** added will have no buttons, and the **PtrFeedbackClassRec** will specify a null routine as the control procedure.

If the specified device reports absolute positional information, and the server implementation does not allow such a device to be used as the X pointer, the request will fail with a **BadDevice** error.

Once the device has successfully replaced one of the core devices, it is treated as a core device until it is in turn replaced by another **ChangeDevice** request, or until the server terminates. The termination of the client that changed the device will not cause it to change back. Attempts to use the **CloseDevice** request to close the new core device will fail with a **BadDevice** error.

**ChangePointerDevice**

device: DEVICE

xaxis: CARD8

yaxis: CARD8

Errors: Device, Match

=>

status: Success, AlreadyGrabbed, Frozen



### 2.13. Event Synchronization And Core Grabs

Implementation of the input extension requires an extension of the meaning of event synchronization for the core grab requests. This is necessary in order to allow window managers to freeze all input devices with a single request.

The core grab requests require a **pointer\_mode** and **keyboard\_mode** argument. The meaning of these modes is changed by the input extension. For the **XGrabPointer** and **XGrabButton** requests, **pointer\_mode** controls synchronization of the pointer device, and **keyboard\_mode** controls the synchronization of all other input devices. For the **XGrabKeyboard** and **XGrabKey** requests, **pointer\_mode** controls the synchronization of all input devices except the X keyboard, while **keyboard\_mode** controls the synchronization of the keyboard. When using one of the core grab requests, the synchronization of extension devices is controlled by the mode specified for the device not being grabbed.

### 2.14. Extension Active Grabs

Active grabs of extension devices are supported via the **GrabDevice** request in the same way that core devices are grabbed using the core **GrabKeyboard** request, except that a *Device* is passed as a function parameter. A list of events that the client wishes to receive is also passed. The **UngrabDevice** request allows a previous active grab for an extension device to be released.

To grab an extension device, use the **GrabDevice** request. The device must have previously been opened using the **OpenDevice** request.

#### GrabDevice

device: DEVICE  
grab-window: WINDOW  
owner-events: BOOL  
event-list: LISTofEVENTCLASS  
this-device-mode: {Synchronous, Asynchronous}  
other-device-mode: {Synchronous, Asynchronous}  
time:TIMESTAMP or CurrentTime

=>

status: Success, AlreadyGrabbed, Frozen, InvalidTime, NotViewable

Errors: Device, Window, Value

This request actively grabs control of the specified input device. Further input events from this device are reported only to the grabbing client. This request overrides any previous active grab by this client for this device.

The event-list parameter is a pointer to a list of event classes. These are used to indicate which events the client wishes to receive while the device is grabbed. Only event classes obtained from the grabbed device are valid.

If owner-events is **False**, input events generated from this device are reported with respect to grab-window, and are only reported if selected by being included in the event-list. If owner-events is **True**, then if a generated event would normally be reported to this client, it is reported normally, otherwise the event is reported with respect to the grab-window, and is only reported if selected by being included in the event-list. For either value of owner-events, unreported events are discarded.

If this-device-mode is **Asynchronous**, device event processing continues normally. If the device is currently frozen by this client, then processing of device events is resumed. If this-device-mode is **Synchronous**, the state of the grabbed device (as seen by means of the protocol) appears to freeze, and no further device events are generated by the server until the grabbing client issues a releasing **AllowDeviceEvents** request or until the device grab is released. Actual device input events are not lost while the device is frozen; they are simply queued for later processing.

If other-device-mode is **Asynchronous**, event processing is unaffected by activation of the grab. If other-device-mode is **Synchronous**, the state of all input devices except the grabbed one (as seen by means of the protocol) appears to freeze, and no further events are generated by the server until the grabbing client issues a releasing **AllowDeviceEvents** request or until the device grab is released. Actual events are not lost while the devices are frozen; they are simply queued for later processing.

This request generates **DeviceFocusIn** and **DeviceFocusOut** events.

This request fails and returns:

- **AlreadyGrabbed** If the device is actively grabbed by some other client.
- **NotViewable** If grab-window is not viewable.
- **InvalidTime** If the specified time is earlier than the last-grab-time for the specified device or later than the current X server time. Otherwise, the last-grab-time for the specified device is set to the specified time and **CurrentTime** is replaced by the current X server time.
- **Frozen** If the device is frozen by an active grab of another client.

If a grabbed device is closed by a client while an active grab by that client is in effect, that active grab will be released. Any passive grabs established by that client will be released. If the device is frozen only by an active grab of the requesting client, it is thawed.

To release a grab of an extension device, use **UngrabDevice**.

**UngrabDevice**

device: DEVICE

time: TIMESTAMP or CurrentTime

Errors: Device

This request releases the device if this client has it actively grabbed (from either **GrabDevice** or **GrabDeviceKey**) and releases any queued events. If any devices were frozen by the grab, **UngrabDevice** thaws them. The request has no effect if the specified time is earlier than the last-device-grab time or is later than the current server time.

This request generates **DeviceFocusIn** and **DeviceFocusOut** events.

An **UngrabDevice** is performed automatically if the event window for an active device grab becomes not viewable.

## 2.15. Passively Grabbing A Key

Passive grabs of buttons and keys on extension devices are supported via the **GrabDeviceButton** and **GrabDeviceKey** requests. These passive grabs are released via the **UngrabDeviceKey** and **UngrabDeviceButton** requests.

To passively grab a single key on an extension device, use **GrabDeviceKey**. That device must have previously been opened using the **OpenDevice** request.

## GrabDeviceKey

device: DEVICE  
keycode: KEYCODE or AnyKey  
modifiers: SETofKEYMASK or AnyModifier  
modifier-device: DEVICE or NULL  
grab-window: WINDOW  
owner-events: BOOL  
event-list: LISTofEVENTCLASS  
this-device-mode: {Synchronous, Asynchronous}  
other-device-mode: {Synchronous, Asynchronous}

Errors: Device, Match, Access, Window, Value

This request is analogous to the core **GrabKey** request. It establishes a passive grab on a device. Consequently, In the future:

- IF the device is not grabbed and the specified key, which itself can be a modifier key, is logically pressed when the specified modifier keys logically are down on the specified modifier device (and no other keys are down),
- AND no other modifier keys logically are down,
- AND EITHER the grab window is an ancestor of (or is) the focus window OR the grab window is a descendent of the focus window and contains the pointer,
- AND a passive grab on the same device and key combination does not exist on any ancestor of the grab window,
- THEN the device is actively grabbed, as for **GrabDevice**, the last-device-grab time is set to the time at which the key was pressed (as transmitted in the **DeviceKeyPress** event), and the **DeviceKeyPress** event is reported.

The interpretation of the remaining arguments is as for **GrabDevice**. The active grab is terminated automatically when logical state of the device has the specified key released (independent of the logical state of the modifier keys).

Note that the logical state of a device (as seen by means of the X protocol) may lag the physical state if device event processing is frozen.

A modifier of **AnyModifier** is equivalent to issuing the request for all possible modifier combinations (including the combination of no modifiers). It is not required that all modifiers specified have currently assigned keycodes. A key of **AnyKey** is equivalent to issuing the request for all possible keycodes. Otherwise, the key must be in the range specified by min-keycode and max-keycode in the **ListInputDevices** request. If it is not within that range, **GrabDeviceKey** generates a **Value** error.

**NULL** may be passed for the modifier\_device. If the modifier\_device is **NULL**, the core X keyboard is used as the modifier\_device.

An **Access** error is generated if some other client has issued a **GrabDeviceKey** with the same device and key combination on the same window. When using **AnyModifier** or **AnyKey**, the request fails completely and the X server generates a **Access** error and no grabs are established if there is a conflicting grab for any combination.

This request cannot be used to grab a key on the X keyboard device. The core **GrabKey** request should be used for that purpose.

To release a passive grab of a single key on an extension device, use **UngrabDeviceKey**.

#### UngrabDeviceKey

device: DEVICE  
keycode: KEYCODE or AnyKey  
modifiers: SETofKEYMASK or AnyModifier  
modifier-device: DEVICE or NULL  
grab-window: WINDOW

Errors: Device, Match, Window, Value, Alloc

This request is analogous to the core **UngrabKey** request. It releases the key combination on the specified window if it was grabbed by this client. A modifier of **AnyModifier** is equivalent to issuing the request for all possible modifier combinations (including the combination of no modifiers). A key of **AnyKey** is equivalent to issuing the request for all possible keycodes. This request has no effect on an active grab.

**NULL** may be passed for the modifier\_device. If the modifier\_device is **NULL**, the core X keyboard is used as the modifier\_device.

### 2.16. Passively Grabbing A Button

To establish a passive grab for a single button on an extension device, use **GrabDeviceButton**.

#### GrabDeviceButton

device: DEVICE  
button: BUTTON or AnyButton  
modifiers: SETofKEYMASK or AnyModifier  
modifier-device: DEVICE or NULL  
grab-window: WINDOW  
owner-events: BOOL  
event-list: LISTofEVENTCLASS  
this-device-mode: {Synchronous, Asynchronous}  
other-device-mode: {Synchronous, Asynchronous}

Errors: Device, Match, Window, Access, Value

This request is analogous to the core **GrabButton** request. It establishes an explicit passive grab for a button on an extension input device. Since the server does not track extension devices, no cursor is specified with this request. For the same reason, there is no confine-to parameter. The device must have previously been opened using the **OpenDevice** request.

The **GrabDeviceButton** request establishes a passive grab on a device. Consequently, in the future,

- IF the device is not grabbed and the specified button is logically pressed when the specified modifier keys logically are down (and no other buttons or modifier keys are down),
- AND the grab window contains the device,

- AND a passive grab on the same device and button/ key combination does not exist on any ancestor of the grab window,
- THEN the device is actively grabbed, as for **GrabDevice**, the last-grab time is set to the time at which the button was pressed (as transmitted in the **DeviceButtonPress** event), and the **DeviceButtonPress** event is reported.

The interpretation of the remaining arguments is as for **GrabDevice**. The active grab is terminated automatically when logical state of the device has all buttons released (independent of the logical state of the modifier keys).

Note that the logical state of a device (as seen by means of the X protocol) may lag the physical state if device event processing is frozen.

A modifier of **AnyModifier** is equivalent to issuing the request for all possible modifier combinations (including the combination of no modifiers). It is not required that all modifiers specified have currently assigned keycodes. A button of **AnyButton** is equivalent to issuing the request for all possible buttons. It is not required that the specified button be assigned to a physical button.

**NULL** may be passed for the modifier\_device. If the modifier\_device is **NULL**, the core X keyboard is used as the modifier\_device.

An **Access** error is generated if some other client has issued a **GrabDeviceButton** with the same device and button combination on the same window. When using **AnyModifier** or **AnyButton**, the request fails completely and the X server generates a **Access** error and no grabs are established if there is a conflicting grab for any combination. The request has no effect on an active grab.

This request cannot be used to grab a button on the X pointer device. The core **GrabButton** request should be used for that purpose.

To release a passive grab of a button on an extension device, use **UngrabDeviceButton**.

#### UngrabDeviceButton

device: DEVICE  
 button: BUTTON or AnyButton  
 modifiers: SETofKEYMASK or AnyModifier  
 modifier-device: DEVICE or NULL  
 grab-window: WINDOW

Errors: Device, Match, Window, Value, Alloc

This request is analogous to the core **UngrabButton** request. It releases the passive button/key combination on the specified window if it was grabbed by the client. A modifiers of **AnyModifier** is equivalent to issuing the request for all possible modifier combinations (including the combination of no modifiers). A button of **AnyButton** is equivalent to issuing the request for all possible buttons. This request has no effect on an active grab. The device must have previously been opened using the **OpenDevice** request otherwise a **Device** error will be generated.

**NULL** may be passed for the modifier\_device. If the modifier\_device is **NULL**, the core X keyboard is used as the modifier\_device.

This request cannot be used to ungrab a button on the X pointer device. The core **UngrabButton** request should be used for that purpose.

## 2.17. Thawing A Device

To allow further events to be processed when a device has been frozen, use **AllowDeviceEvents**.

AllowDeviceEvents

device: DEVICE

event-mode: { AsyncThisDevice, SyncThisDevice, AsyncOtherDevices, ReplayThisDevice, AsyncAll, or SyncAll }

time:TIMESTAMP or CurrentTime

Errors: Device, Value

The **AllowDeviceEvents** request releases some queued events if the client has caused a device to freeze. The request has no effect if the specified time is earlier than the last-grab time of the most recent active grab for the client, or if the specified time is later than the current X server time.

The following describes the processing that occurs depending on what constant you pass to the event-mode argument:

- If the specified device is frozen by the client, event processing for that device continues as usual. If the device is frozen multiple times by the client on behalf of multiple separate grabs, AsyncThisDevice thaws for all. AsyncThisDevice has no effect if the specified device is not frozen by the client, but the device need not be grabbed by the client.
- If the specified device is frozen and actively grabbed by the client, event processing for that device continues normally until the next button or key event is reported to the client. At this time, the specified device again appears to freeze. However, if the reported event causes the grab to be released, the specified device does not freeze. SyncThisDevice has no effect if the specified device is not frozen by the client or is not grabbed by the client.
- If the specified device is actively grabbed by the client and is frozen as the result of an event having been sent to the client (either from the activation of a GrabDeviceButton or from a previous AllowDeviceEvents with mode SyncThisDevice, but not from a Grab), the grab is released and that event is completely reprocessed. This time, however, the request ignores any passive grabs at or above (towards the root) the grab-window of the grab just released. The request has no effect if the specified device is not grabbed by the client or if it is not frozen as the result of an event.
- If the remaining devices are frozen by the client, event processing for them continues as usual. If the other devices are frozen multiple times by the client on behalf of multiple separate grabs, AsyncOtherDevices “thaws” for all. AsyncOtherDevices has no effect if the devices are not frozen by the client, but those devices need not be grabbed by the client.
- If all devices are frozen by the client, event processing (for all devices) continues normally until the next button or key event is reported to the client for a grabbed device (button event for the grabbed device, key or motion event for the device), at which time the devices again appear to freeze. However, if the reported event causes the grab to be released, then the devices do not freeze (but if any device is still grabbed, then a subsequent event for it will still cause all devices to freeze). SyncAll has no effect unless all devices are frozen by the client. If any device is frozen twice by the client on behalf of two separate grabs, SyncAll “thaws” for both (but a subsequent freeze for SyncAll will only freeze each device once).
- If all devices are frozen by the client, event processing (for all devices) continues normally. If any device is frozen multiple times by the client on behalf of multiple separate grabs, AsyncAll “thaws” for all. AsyncAll has no effect unless all devices are frozen by the client.

AsyncThisDevice, SyncThisDevice, and ReplayThisDevice have no effect on the processing of events from the remaining devices. AsyncOtherDevices has no effect on the processing of events from the specified device. When the event\_mode is SyncAll or AsyncAll, the device parameter is ignored.

It is possible for several grabs of different devices (by the same or different clients) to be active simultaneously. If a device is frozen on behalf of any grab, no event processing is performed for the device. It is possible for a single device to be frozen because of several grabs. In this case, the freeze must be released on behalf of each grab before events can again be processed.

## 2.18. Controlling Device Focus

The current focus window for an extension input device can be determined using the **GetDeviceFocus** request. Extension devices are focused using the **SetDeviceFocus** request in the same way that the keyboard is focused using the **SetInputFocus** request, except that a device is specified as part of the request. One additional focus state, **FollowKeyboard**, is provided for extension devices.

To get the current focus state, revert state, and focus time of an extension device, use **GetDeviceFocus**.

GetDeviceFocus

device: DEVICE

=>

focus: WINDOW, PointerRoot, FollowKeyboard, or None

revert-to: Parent, PointerRoot, FollowKeyboard, or None

focus-time: TIMESTAMP

Errors: Device, Match

This request returns the current focus state, revert-to state, and last-focus-time of an extension device.

To set the focus of an extension device, use **SetDeviceFocus**.

SetDeviceFocus

device: DEVICE

focus: WINDOW, PointerRoot, FollowKeyboard, or None

revert-to: Parent, PointerRoot, FollowKeyboard, or None

focus-time: TIMESTAMP

Errors: Device, Window, Value, Match

This request changes the focus for an extension input device and the last-focus-change-time. The request has no effect if the specified time is earlier than the last-focus-change-time or is later than the current X server time. Otherwise, the last-focus-change-time is set to the specified time, with CurrentTime replaced by the current server time.

The action taken by the server when this request is requested depends on the value of the focus argument:

- If the focus argument is **None**, all input events from this device will be discarded until a new focus window is set. In this case, the revert-to argument is ignored.
- If a window ID is assigned to the focus argument, it becomes the focus window of the device. If an input event from the device would normally be reported to this window or to one of its inferiors, the event is reported normally. Otherwise, the event is reported relative to the focus window.
- If you assign **PointerRoot** to the focus argument, the focus window is dynamically taken to be the root window of whatever screen the pointer is on at each input event. In this case, the revert-to argument is ignored.
- If you assign **FollowKeyboard** to the focus argument, the focus window is dynamically taken to be the same as the focus of the X keyboard at each input event.

The specified focus window must be viewable at the time of the request (else a **Match** error). If the focus window later becomes not viewable, the X server evaluates the revert-to argument to determine the new focus window.

- If you assign **RevertToParent** to the revert-to argument, the focus reverts to the parent (or the closest viewable ancestor), and the new revert-to value is taken to be **RevertToNone**.
- If you assign **RevertToPointerRoot**, **RevertToFollowKeyboard**, or **RevertToNone** to the revert-to argument, the focus reverts to that value.

When the focus reverts, the X server generates **DeviceFocusIn** and **DeviceFocusOut** events, but the last-focus-change time is not affected.

This request causes the X server to generate **DeviceFocusIn** and **DeviceFocusOut** events.

## 2.19. Controlling Device Feedback

To get the settings of feedbacks on an extension device, use **GetFeedbackControl**. This request provides functionality equivalent to the core **GetKeyboardControl** and **GetPointerControl** functions. It also provides a way to control displays associated with an input device that are capable of displaying an integer or string.

**GetFeedbackControl**

device: DEVICE

=>

num\_feedbacks\_return: CARD16

return\_value: LISTofFEEDBACKSTATE

where

FEEDBACKSTATE: { KbdFeedbackState, PtrFeedbackState, IntegerFeedbackState, StringFeedbackState, BellFeedbackState, LedFeedbackState }

Feedbacks are reported by class. Those feedbacks that are reported for the core keyboard device are in class **KbdFeedback**, and are returned in the **KbdFeedbackState** structure. The members of that structure are as follows:



```

CLASS Kbd:  [class: CARD8
             length: CARD16
             feedback id: CARD8
             key_click_percent: CARD8
             bell_percent: CARD8
             bell_pitch: CARD16
             bell_duration: CARD16
             led_value: BITMASK
             global_auto_repeat: { AutoRepeatModeOn, AutoRepeatMode-
Off}
             auto_repeats: LISTofCARD8]

```

Those feedbacks that are equivalent to those reported for the core pointer are in feedback class **PtrFeedback** and are reported in the **PtrFeedbackState** structure. The members of that structure are:

```

CLASS Ptr:  [class: CARD8
             length: CARD16
             feedback id: CARD8
             accelNumerator: CARD16
             accelDenominator: CARD16
             threshold: CARD16]

```

Some input devices provide a means of displaying an integer. Those devices will support feedback class **IntegerFeedback**, which is reported in the **IntegerFeedbackState** structure. The members of that structure are:

```

CLASS Integer:  [class: CARD8
                 length: CARD16
                 feedback id: CARD8
                 resolution: CARD32
                 min-val: INT32
                 max-val: INT32]

```

Some input devices provide a means of displaying a string. Those devices will support feedback class **StringFeedback**, which is reported in the **StringFeedbackState** structure. The members of that structure are:

```

CLASS String:  [class: CARD8
                length: CARD16
                feedback id: CARD8
                max_symbols: CARD16
                num_keysyms_supported: CARD16
                keysyms_supported: LISTofKEYSYM]

```

Some input devices contain a bell. Those devices will support feedback class **BellFeedback**, which is reported in the **BellFeedbackState** structure. The members of that structure are:

CLASS Bell: [class: CARD8  
length: CARD16  
feedback id: CARD8  
percent: CARD8  
pitch: CARD16  
duration: CARD16]

The percent sets the base volume for the bell between 0 (off) and 100 (loud) inclusive, if possible. Setting to -1 restores the default. Other negative values generate a **Value** error.

The pitch sets the pitch (specified in Hz) of the bell, if possible. Setting to -1 restores the default. Other negative values generate a **Value** error.

The duration sets the duration (specified in milliseconds) of the bell, if possible. Setting to -1 restores the default. Other negative values generate a **Value** error.

A bell generator connected with the console but not directly on the device is treated as if it were part of the device. Some input devices contain LEDs. Those devices will support feedback class **Led**, which is reported in the **LedFeedbackState** structure. The members of that structure are:

CLASS Led: [class: CARD8  
length: CARD16  
feedback id: CARD8  
led\_mask: BITMASK  
led\_value: BITMASK]

Each bit in led\_mask indicates that the corresponding led is supported by the feedback. At most 32 LEDs per feedback are supported. No standard interpretation of LEDs is defined.

This function will fail with a **BadMatch** error if the device specified in the request does not support feedbacks.

Errors: Device, Match

To change the settings of a feedback on an extension device, use **ChangeFeedbackControl**.

ChangeFeedbackControl  
device: DEVICE  
feedbackid: CARD8  
value-mask: BITMASK  
value: FEEDBACKCONTROL

Errors: Device, Match, Value

FEEDBACKCONTROL: {KBD FEEDBACKCONTROL, PTRFEEDBACKCONTROL, INTEGERFEEDBACKCONTROL, STRINGFEEDBACKCONTROL, BELLFEEDBACKCONTROL, LEDFEEDBACKCONTROL}

Feedback controls are grouped by class. Those feedbacks that are equivalent to those supported by the core keyboard are controlled by feedback class **KbdFeedbackClass** using the

**KbdFeedbackControl** structure. The members of that structure are:

```
KBDFEEDBACKCTL:  [class: CARD8
                    length: CARD16
                    feedback id: CARD8
                    key_click_percent: INT8
                    bell_percent: INT8
                    bell_pitch: INT16
                    bell_duration: INT16
                    led_mask: INT32
                    led_value: INT32
                    key: KEYCODE
                    auto_repeat_mode: {AutoRepeatModeOn,
                                       AutoRepeatModeOff, AutoRepeatModeDefault}]
```

The `key_click_percent` sets the volume for key clicks between 0 (off) and 100 (loud) inclusive, if possible. Setting to -1 restores the default. Other negative values generate a **Value** error.

If both `auto_repeat_mode` and `key` are specified, then the `auto_repeat_mode` of that key is changed, if possible. If only `auto_repeat_mode` is specified, then the global auto-repeat mode for the entire keyboard is changed, if possible, without affecting the per-key settings. It is a **Match** error if a key is specified without an `auto_repeat_mode`.

The order in which controls are verified and altered is server-dependent. If an error is generated, a subset of the controls may have been altered.

Those feedback controls equivalent to those of the core pointer are controlled by feedback class **PtrFeedbackClass** using the **PtrFeedbackControl** structure. The members of that structure are as follows:

```
PTRFEEDBACKCTL:  [class: CARD8
                    length: CARD16
                    feedback id: CARD8
                    accelNumerator: INT16
                    accelDenominator: INT16
                    threshold: INT16]
```

The acceleration, expressed as a fraction, is a multiplier for movement. For example, specifying 3/1 means the device moves three times as fast as normal. The fraction may be rounded arbitrarily by the X server. Acceleration only takes effect if the device moves more than threshold pixels at once and only applies to the amount beyond the value in the threshold argument. Setting a value to -1 restores the default. The values of the `do-accel` and `do-threshold` arguments must be nonzero for the device values to be set. Otherwise, the parameters will be unchanged. Negative values generate a **Value** error, as does a zero value for the `accel-denominator` argument.

Some devices are capable of displaying an integer. This is done using feedback class **IntegerFeedbackClass** using the **IntegerFeedbackControl** structure. The members of that structure are as follows:

```
INTEGERCTL:      [class: CARD8
                    length: CARD16
                    feedback id: CARD8
                    int_to_display: INT32]
```

Some devices are capable of displaying a string. This is done using feedback class **StringFeedbackClass** using the **StringFeedbackCtl** structure. The members of that structure are as follows:

```
STRINGCTL:  [class: CARD8
              length: CARD16
              feedback id: CARD8
              syms_to_display: LISTofKEYSYMS]
```

Some devices contain a bell. This is done using feedback class **BellFeedbackClass** using the **BellFeedbackControl** structure. The members of that structure are as follows:

```
BELLCTL:    [class: CARD8
              length: CARD16
              feedback id: CARD8
              percent: INT8
              pitch: INT16
              duration: INT16]
```

Some devices contain leds. These can be turned on and off using the **LedFeedbackControl** structure. The members of that structure are as follows:

```
LEDCTL:     [class: CARD8
              length: CARD16
              feedback id: CARD8
              led_mask: BITMASK
              led_value: BITMASK]
```

Errors: Device, Match, Value

## 2.20. Ringing a Bell on an Input Device

To ring a bell on an extension input device, use **DeviceBell**.

DeviceBell

```
device: DEVICE
feedbackclass: CARD8
feedbackid: CARD8
percent: INT8
```

Errors: Device, Value

This request is analogous to the core **Bell** request. It rings the specified bell on the specified input device feedback, using the specified volume. The specified volume is relative to the base volume for the feedback. If the value for the percent argument is not in the range -100 to 100 inclusive, a **Value** error results. The volume at which the bell rings when the percent argument is nonnegative is:

$$\text{base} - [(\text{base} * \text{percent}) / 100] + \text{percent}$$

The volume at which the bell rings when the percent argument is negative is:

$$\text{base} + [(\text{base} * \text{percent}) / 100]$$

To change the base volume of the bell, use **ChangeFeedbackControl** request.

## 2.21. Controlling Device Encoding

To get the keyboard mapping of an extension device that has keys, use **GetDeviceKeyMapping**.

GetDeviceKeyMapping

device: DEVICE  
first-keycode: KEYCODE  
count: CARD8

=>

keysyms-per-keycode: CARD8  
keysyms: LISTofKEYSYM

Errors: Device, Match, Value

This request returns the symbols for the specified number of keycodes for the specified extension device, starting with the specified keycode. The first-keycode must be greater than or equal to min-keycode as returned in the connection setup (else a **Value** error), and

$$\text{first-keycode} + \text{count} - 1$$

must be less than or equal to max-keycode as returned in the connection setup (else a **Value** error). The number of elements in the keysyms list is

$$\text{count} * \text{keysyms-per-keycode}$$

and KEYSYM number N (counting from zero) for keycode K has an index (counting from zero) of

$$(\text{K} - \text{first-keycode}) * \text{keysyms-per-keycode} + \text{N}$$

in keysyms. The keysyms-per-keycode value is chosen arbitrarily by the server to be large enough to report all requested symbols. A special KEYSYM value of **NoSymbol** is used to fill in unused elements for individual keycodes.

If the specified device has not first been opened by this client via **OpenDevice**, or if that device does not support input class Keys, this request will fail with a **Device** error.

To change the keyboard mapping of an extension device that has keys, use **ChangeDeviceKeyMapping**.

ChangeDeviceKeyMapping

device: DEVICE  
first-keycode: KEYCODE  
keysyms-per-keycode: CARD8

keysyms: LISTofKEYSYM  
num\_codes: CARD8

Errors: Device, Match, Value, Alloc

This request is analogous to the core **ChangeKeyMapping** request. It defines the symbols for the specified number of keycodes for the specified extension device. If the specified device has not first been opened by this client via **OpenDevice**, or if that device does not support input class Keys, this request will fail with a **Device** error.

The number of elements in the keysyms list must be a multiple of keysyms\_per\_keycode. Otherwise, **ChangeDeviceKeyMapping** generates a **Length** error. The specified first\_keycode must be greater than or equal to the min\_keycode value returned by the **ListInputDevices** request, or this request will fail with a **Value** error. In addition, if the following expression is not less than the max\_keycode value returned by the **ListInputDevices** request, the request will fail with a **Value** error:

$$\text{first\_keycode} + (\text{num\_codes} / \text{keysyms\_per\_keycode}) - 1$$

To obtain the keycodes that are used as modifiers on an extension device that has keys, use **GetDeviceModifierMapping**.

GetDeviceModifierMapping  
device: DEVICE  
=>  
keycodes-per-modifier: CARD8  
keycodes: LISTofKEYCODE  
  
Errors: Device, Match

This request is analogous to the core **GetModifierMapping** request. This request returns the keycodes of the keys being used as modifiers. The number of keycodes in the list is 8\*keycodes-per-modifier. The keycodes are divided into eight sets, with each set containing keycodes-per-modifier elements. The sets are assigned in order to the modifiers **Shift**, **Lock**, **Control**, **Mod1**, **Mod2**, **Mod3**, **Mod4**, and **Mod5**. The keycodes-per-modifier value is chosen arbitrarily by the server; zeroes are used to fill in unused elements within each set. If only zero values are given in a set, the use of the corresponding modifier has been disabled. The order of keycodes within each set is chosen arbitrarily by the server.

To set which keycodes that are to be used as modifiers for an extension device, use **SetDeviceModifierMapping**.

SetDeviceModifierMapping  
device: DEVICE  
keycodes-per-modifier: CARD8  
keycodes: LISTofKEYCODE  
=>  
status: {Success, Busy, Failed}

Errors: Device, Match, Value, Alloc

This request is analogous to the core **SetModifierMapping** request. This request specifies the keycodes (if any) of the keys to be used as modifiers. The number of keycodes in the list must be 8\*keycodes-per-modifier (else a **Length** error). The keycodes are divided into eight sets, with the sets, with each set containing keycodes-per-modifier elements. The sets are assigned in order to the modifiers **Shift**, **Lock**, **Control**, **Mod1**, **Mod2**, **Mod3**, **Mod4**, and **Mod5**. Only non-zero keycode values are used within each set; zero values are ignored. All of the non-zero keycodes must be in the range specified by min-keycode and max-keycode in the **ListInputDevices** request (else a **Value** error). The order of keycodes within a set does not matter. If no non-zero values are specified in a set, the use of the corresponding modifier is disabled, and the modifier bit will always be zero. Otherwise, the modifier bit will be one whenever at least one of the keys in the corresponding set is in the down position.

A server can impose restrictions on how modifiers can be changed (for example, if certain keys do not generate up transitions in hardware or if multiple keys per modifier are not supported). The status reply is **Failed** if some such restriction is violated, and none of the modifiers are changed.

If the new non-zero keycodes specified for a modifier differ from those currently defined, and any (current or new) keys for that modifier are logically in the down state, then the status reply is **Busy**, and none of the modifiers are changed.

This request generates a DeviceMappingNotify event on a **Success** status. The **DeviceMappingNotify** event will be sent only to those clients that have expressed an interest in receiving that event via the **XSelectExtensionEvent** request.

A X server can impose restrictions on how modifiers can be changed, for example, if certain keys do not generate up transitions in hardware or if multiple modifier keys are not supported. If some such restriction is violated, the status reply is **MappingFailed**, and none of the modifiers are changed. If the new keycodes specified for a modifier differ from those currently defined and any (current or new) keys for that modifier are in the logically down state, the status reply is **MappingBusy**, and none of the modifiers are changed.

## 2.22. Controlling Button Mapping

These requests are analogous to the core **GetPointerMapping** and **ChangePointerMapping** requests. They allow a client to determine the current mapping of buttons on an extension device, and to change that mapping.

To get the current button mapping for an extension device, use **GetDeviceButtonMapping**.

```
GetDeviceButtonMapping
    device: DEVICE
    nmap: CARD8
=>
    map_return: LISTofCARD8

Errors: Device, Match
```

The **GetDeviceButtonMapping** function returns the current mapping of the buttons on the specified device. Elements of the list are indexed starting from one. The length of the list indicates the number of physical buttons. The nominal mapping is the identity mapping map[i]=i.

**nmap** indicates the number of elements in the **map\_return** array. Only the first nmap entries will be copied by the library into the map\_return array.

To set the button mapping for an extension device, use **SetDeviceButtonMapping**.

```
SetDeviceButtonMapping
    device: DEVICE
    map: LISTofCARD8
    nmap: CARD8
```

=>

```
    status: CARD8
```

```
    Errors: Device, Match, Value
```

The **SetDeviceButtonMapping** function sets the mapping of the specified device and causes the X server to generate a **DeviceMappingNotify** event on a status of **MappingSuccess**. Elements of the list are indexed starting from one. The length of the list, specified in **nmap**, must be the same as **GetDeviceButtonMapping** would return. Otherwise, **SetDeviceButtonMapping** generates a **Value** error. A zero element disables a buttons, and elements are not restricted in value by the number of physical buttons. However, no two elements can have the same nonzero value. Otherwise, this function generates a **Value** error. If any of the buttons to be altered are in the down state, the status reply is **MappingBusy** and the mapping is not changed.

## 2.23. Obtaining The State Of A Device

To obtain vectors that describe the state of the keys, buttons and valuator of an extension device, use **QueryDeviceState**.

```
QueryDeviceState
    device: DEVICE
=>
    device-id: CARD8
    data: LISTofINPUTCLASS
```

where

```
INPUTCLASS:          { VALUATOR, BUTTON, KEY }

CLASS VALUATOR:      [class: CARD8
                      num_valuators: CARD8
                      mode: CARD8
                        #x01 device mode
                          (0 = Relative, 1 = Absolute)
                        #x02 proximity state
                          (0 = InProximity, 1 = OutOfProximity)
                      valuator: LISTofINT32]
```



CLASS BUTTON:	[class: CARD8 num_buttons: CARD8 buttons: LISTofCARD8]
CLASS KEY:	[class: CARD8 num_keys: CARD8 keys: LISTofCARD8]

Errors: Device

The **QueryDeviceState** request returns the current logical state of the buttons, keys, and valuator on the specified input device. The *buttons* and *keys* arrays, byte N (from 0) contains the bits for key or button 8N to 8N+7 with the least significant bit in the byte representing key or button 8N.

If the device has valuator, a bit in the mode field indicates whether the device is reporting Absolute or Relative data. If it is reporting Absolute data, the valuator array will contain the current value of the valuator. If it is reporting Relative data, the valuator array will contain undefined data.

If the device reports proximity information, a bit in the mode field indicates whether the device is InProximity or OutOfProximity.

### 3. Events

The input extension creates input events analogous to the core input events. These extension input events are generated by manipulating one of the extension input devices.

#### 3.1. Button, Key, and Motion Events

DeviceKeyPress

DeviceKeyRelease

DeviceButtonPress,

DeviceButtonRelease

DeviceMotionNotify

device: CARD8

root, event: WINDOW

child: Window or None

same-screen: BOOL

root-x, root-y, event-x, event-y: INT16

detail: <see below>

state: SETofKEYBUTMASK

time: TIMESTAMP

These events are generated when a key, button, or valuator logically changes state. The generation of these logical changes may lag the physical changes, if device event processing is frozen. Note that **DeviceKeyPress** and **DeviceKeyRelease** are generated for all keys, even those mapped to modifier bits. The “source” of the event is the window the pointer is in. The window with respect to which the event is normally reported is found by looking up the hierarchy (starting with the source window) for the first window on which any client has selected interest in the event. The actual window used for reporting can be modified by active grabs and by the focus window. The window the event is reported with respect to is called the “event” window.

The root is the root window of the “source” window, and root-x and root-y are the pointer coordinates relative to root’s origin at the time of the event. Event is the “event” window. If the event window is on the same screen as root, then event-x and event-y are the pointer coordinates relative to the event window’s origin. Otherwise, event-x and event-y are zero. If the source window is an inferior of the event window, then child is set to the child of the event window that is an ancestor of (or is) the source window. Otherwise, it is set to None. The state component gives the logical state of the buttons on the core X pointer and modifier keys on the core X keyboard just before the event. The detail component type varies with the event type:

Event	Component
DeviceKeyPress, DeviceKeyRelease	KEYCODE
DeviceButtonPress, DeviceButtonRelease	BUTTON
DeviceMotionNotify	{ Normal , Hint }

The granularity of motion events is not guaranteed, but a client selecting for motion events is guaranteed to get at least one event when a valuator changes. If **DeviceMotionHint** is selected, the server is free to send only one **DeviceMotionNotify** event (with detail **Hint**) to the client for the event window, until either a key or button changes state, the pointer leaves the event window, or the client issues a **QueryDeviceState** or **GetDeviceMotionEvents** request.

### 3.2. DeviceValuator Event

DeviceValuator

```

device: CARD8
device_state: SETofKEYBUTMASK
num_valuators: CARD8
first_valuator: CARD8
valuators: LISTofINT32

```

DeviceValuator events are generated to contain valuator information for which there is insufficient space in DeviceKey, DeviceButton, DeviceMotion, and Proximity wire events. For events of these types, a second event of type DeviceValuator follows immediately. The library combines these events into a single event that a client can receive via XNextEvent. DeviceValuator events are not selected for by clients, they only exist to contain information that will not fit into some event selected by clients.

The device\_state component gives the state of the buttons and modifiers on the device generating the event.

Extension motion devices may report motion data for a variable number of axes. The valuator array contains the values of all axes reported by the device. If more than 6 axes are reported, more than one DeviceValuator event will be sent by the server, and more than one DeviceKey, DeviceButton, DeviceMotion, or Proximity event will be reported by the library. Clients should examine the corresponding fields of the event reported by the library to determine the total number of axes reported, and the first axis reported in the current event. Axes are numbered beginning with zero.

For Button, Key and Motion events on a device reporting absolute motion data the current value of the device’s valuator is reported. For devices that report relative data, Button and Key events may be followed by a DeviceValuator event that contains 0s in the num\_valuators field. In this case, only the device\_state component will have meaning.

### 3.3. Device Focus Events

DeviceFocusIn

DeviceFocusOut

device: CARD8

time: TIMESTAMP

event: WINDOW

mode: { Normal, WhileGrabbed, Grab, Ungrab }

detail: { Ancestor, Virtual, Inferior, Nonlinear, NonlinearVirtual, Pointer, PointerRoot, None }

These events are generated when the input focus changes and are reported to clients selecting **DeviceFocusChange** for the specified device and window. Events generated by **SetDeviceFocus** when the device is not grabbed have mode **Normal**. Events generated by **SetDeviceFocus** when the device is grabbed have mode **WhileGrabbed**. Events generated when a device grab activates have mode **Grab**, and events generated when a device grab deactivates have mode **Ungrab**.

All **DeviceFocusOut** events caused by a window unmap are generated after any **UnmapNotify** event, but the ordering of **DeviceFocusOut** with respect to generated **EnterNotify**, **LeaveNotify**, **VisibilityNotify** and **Expose** events is not constrained.

**DeviceFocusIn** and **DeviceFocusOut** events are generated for focus changes of extension devices in the same manner as focus events for the core devices are generated.

### 3.4. Device State Notify Event

DeviceStateNotify

time: TIMESTAMP

device: CARD8

num\_keys: CARD8

num\_buttons: CARD8

num\_valuators: CARD8

classes\_reported: CARD8 { SetOfDeviceMode | SetOfInputClass }

SetOfDeviceMode:

#x80 ProximityState

0 = InProximity, 1 = OutOfProximity

#x40 Device Mode

(0 = Relative, 1 = Absolute)

SetOfInputClass:

#x04 reporting valuators

#x02 reporting buttons

#x01 reporting keys

buttons: LISTofCARD8

keys: LISTofCARD8

valuators: LISTofCARD32

This event reports the state of the device just as in the **QueryDeviceState** request. This event is reported to clients selecting **DeviceStateNotify** for the device and window and is generated immediately after every **EnterNotify** and **DeviceFocusIn**. If the device has no more than 32 buttons, no more than 32 keys, and no more than 3 valuators, This event can report the state of the device. If the device has more than 32 buttons, the event will be immediately followed by a **DeviceButtonStateNotify** event. If the device has more than 32 keys, the event will be followed by a **DeviceKeyStateNotify** event. If the device has more than 3 valuators, the event will be

followed by one or more DeviceValuator events.

### 3.5. Device KeyState and ButtonState Notify Events

DeviceKeyStateNotify

device: CARD8  
keys: LISTofCARD8

DeviceButtonStateNotify

device: CARD8  
buttons: LISTofCARD8

These events contain information about the state of keys and buttons on a device that will not fit into the DeviceStateNotify wire event. These events are not selected by clients, rather they may immediately follow a DeviceStateNotify wire event and be combined with it into a single DeviceStateNotify client event that a client may receive via XNextEvent.

### 3.6. DeviceMappingNotify Event

DeviceMappingNotify

time: TIMESTAMP  
device: CARD8  
request: CARD8  
first\_keycode: CARD8  
count: CARD8

This event reports a change in the mapping of keys, modifiers, or buttons on an extension device. This event is reported to clients selecting **DeviceMappingNotify** for the device and window and is generated after every client **SetDeviceButtonMapping**, **ChangeDeviceKeyMapping**, or **ChangeDeviceModifierMapping** request.

### 3.7. ChangeDeviceNotify Event

ChangeDeviceNotify

device: CARD8  
time: TIMESTAMP  
request: CARD8

This event reports a change in the physical device being used as the core X keyboard or X pointer device. **ChangeDeviceNotify** events are reported to clients selecting **ChangeDeviceNotify** for the device and window and is generated after every client **ChangeKeyboardDevice** or **ChangePointerDevice** request.

### 3.8. Proximity Events

ProximityIn

ProximityOut

device: CARD8  
root, event: WINDOW  
child: Window or None  
same-screen: BOOL  
root-x, root-y, event-x, event-y: INT16  
state: SETofKEYBUTMASK  
time: TIMESTAMP

device-state: SETofKEYBUTMASK  
axis-count: CARD8  
first-axis: CARD8  
axis-data: LISTofINT32

These events are generated by some devices (such as graphics tablets or touchscreens) to indicate that a stylus has moved into or out of contact with a positional sensing surface.

The “source” of the event is the window the pointer is in. The window with respect to which the event is normally reported is found by looking up the hierarchy (starting with the source window) for the first window on which any client has selected interest in the event. The actual window used for reporting can be modified by active grabs and by the focus window. The window the event is reported with respect to is called the “event” window.

The root is the root window of the “source” window, and root-x and root-y are the pointer coordinates relative to root’s origin at the time of the event. Event is the “event” window. If the event window is on the same screen as root, then event-x and event-y are the pointer coordinates relative to the event window’s origin. Otherwise, event-x and event-y are zero. If the source window is an inferior of the event window, then child is set to the child of the event window that is an ancestor of (or is) the source window. Otherwise, it is set to None. The state component gives the logical state of the buttons on the core X pointer and modifier keys on the core X keyboard just before the event. The device-state component gives the state of the buttons and modifiers on the device generating the event.

# Appendix A

## Input Extension Protocol Encoding

### Syntactic Conventions

All numbers are in decimal, unless prefixed with #x, in which case they are in hexadecimal (base 16).

The general syntax used to describe requests, replies, errors, events, and compound types is:

```
NameofThing
  encode-form
  ...
  encode-form
```

Each encode-form describes a single component.

For components described in the protocol as:

```
name: TYPE
```

the encode-form is:

```
N          TYPE  name
```

N is the number of bytes occupied in the data stream, and TYPE is the interpretation of those bytes. For example,

```
depth: CARD8
```

becomes:

```
1          CARD8  depth
```

For components with a static numeric value the encode-form is:

```
N          value  name
```

The value is always interpreted as an N-byte unsigned integer. For example, the first two bytes of a Window error are always zero (indicating an error in general) and three (indicating the Window error in particular):

```
1          0      Error
1          3      code
```

For components described in the protocol as:

```
name: {Name1, ..., NameI}
```

the encode-form is:

```
N          name
          value1 Name1
          ...
          valueI NameI
```

The value is always interpreted as an N-byte unsigned integer. Note that the size of N is sometimes larger than that strictly required to encode the values. For example:

```
class: {InputOutput, InputOnly, CopyFromParent}
```

becomes:

2		class
	0	CopyFromParent
	1	InputOutput
	2	InputOnly

For components described in the protocol as:

NAME: TYPE or **Alternative1 ... or AlternativeI**

the encode-form is:

N	TYPE	NAME
	value1	Alternative1
	...	
	valueI	AlternativeI

The alternative values are guaranteed not to conflict with the encoding of TYPE. For example:

destination: WINDOW or **PointerWindow** or **InputFocus**

becomes:

4	WINDOW	destination
	0	PointerWindow
	1	InputFocus

For components described in the protocol as:

value-mask: BITMASK

the encode-form is:

N	BITMASK	value-mask
	mask1	mask-name1
	...	
	maskI	mask-nameI

The individual bits in the mask are specified and named, and N is 2 or 4. The most-significant bit in a BITMASK is reserved for use in defining chained (multiword) bitmasks, as extensions augment existing core requests. The precise interpretation of this bit is not yet defined here, although a probable mechanism is that a 1-bit indicates that another N bytes of bitmask follows, with bits within the overall mask still interpreted from least-significant to most-significant with an N-byte unit, with N-byte units interpreted in stream order, and with the overall mask being byte-swapped in individual N-byte units.

For LISTofVALUE encodings, the request is followed by a section of the form:

VALUES  
 encode-form  
 ...  
 encode-form

listing an encode-form for each VALUE. The NAME in each encode-form keys to the corresponding BITMASK bit. The encoding of a VALUE always occupies four bytes, but the number of bytes specified in the encoding-form indicates how many of the least-significant bytes are actually used; the remaining bytes are unused and their values do not matter.

In various cases, the number of bytes occupied by a component will be specified by a lowercase single-letter variable name instead of a specific numeric value, and often some other component will have its value specified as a simple numeric expression involving these variables. Components specified with such expressions are always interpreted as unsigned integers. The scope of such variables is always just the enclosing request, reply, error, event, or compound type structure. For example:

2	3+n	request length
4n	LISTofPOINT	points

For unused bytes (the values of the bytes are undefined and do not matter), the encode-form is:

N	unused
---	--------

If the number of unused bytes is variable, the encode-form typically is:

p unused, p=pad(E)

where E is some expression, and pad(E) is the number of bytes needed to round E up to a multiple of four.

$$\text{pad}(E) = (4 - (E \bmod 4)) \bmod 4$$

## Common Types

### LISTofFOO

In this document the LISTof notation strictly means some number of repetitions of the FOO encoding; the actual length of the list is encoded elsewhere.

### SETofFOO

A set is always represented by a bitmask, with a 1-bit indicating presence in the set.

BITMASK: CARD32

WINDOW: CARD32

BYTE: 8-bit value

INT8: 8-bit signed integer

INT16: 16-bit signed integer

INT32: 32-bit signed integer

CARD8: 8-bit unsigned integer

CARD16: 16-bit unsigned integer

CARD32: 32-bit unsigned integer

TIMESTAMP: CARD32

EVENTCLASS: CARD32

### INPUTCLASS

0	KeyClass
1	ButtonClass
2	ValuatorClass
3	FeedbackClass
4	ProximityClass
5	FocusClass
6	OtherClass

### INPUTCLASS

0	KbdFeedbackClass
1	PtrFeedbackClass
2	StringFeedbackClass
3	IntegerFeedbackClass
4	LedFeedbackClass
5	BellFeedbackClass

### INPUTINFO

0	KEYINFO
1	BUTTONINFO
2	VALUATORINFO

### DEVICEMODE

0	Relative
1	Absolute

### PROXIMITYSTATE

0	InProximity
1	OutOfProximity



BOOL	0	False
	1	True

KEYSYM: CARD32

KEYCODE: CARD8

BUTTON: CARD8

SETofKEYBUTMASK

#x0001	Shift
#x0002	Lock
#x0004	Control
#x0008	Mod1
#x0010	Mod2
#x0020	Mod3
#x0040	Mod4
#x0080	Mod5
#x0100	Button1
#x0200	Button2
#x0400	Button3
#x0800	Button4
#x1000	Button5
#xe000	unused but must be zero

SETofKEYMASK

encodings are the same as for SETofKEYBUTMASK, except with  
#xff00 unused but must be zero

STRING8: LISTofCARD8

STR		
1	n	length of name in bytes
n	STRING8	name

## Errors

Request

1	0	Error
1	1	code
2	CARD16	sequence number
4		unused
2	CARD16	minor opcode
1	CARD8	major opcode
21		unused

Value

1	0	Error
1	2	code
2	CARD16	sequence number
4	<32-bits>	bad value
2	CARD16	minor opcode
1	CARD8	major opcode
21		unused

Window

1	0	Error
1	3	code
2	CARD16	sequence number
4	CARD32	bad resource id
2	CARD16	minor opcode
1	CARD8	major opcode
21		unused

Match		
1	0	Error
1	8	code
2	CARD16	sequence number
4		unused
2	CARD16	minor opcode
1	CARD8	major opcode
21		unused

Access		
1	0	Error
1	10	code
2	CARD16	sequence number
4		unused
2	CARD16	minor opcode
1	CARD8	major opcode
21		unused

Alloc		
1	0	Error
1	11	code
2	CARD16	sequence number
4		unused
2	CARD16	minor opcode
1	CARD8	major opcode
21		unused

Name		
1	0	Error
1	15	code
2	CARD16	sequence number
4		unused
2	CARD16	minor opcode
1	CARD8	major opcode
21		unused

Device		
1	0	Error
1	CARD8	code
2	CARD16	sequence number
4		unused
2	CARD16	minor opcode
1	CARD8	major opcode
21		unused

Event		
1	0	Error
1	CARD8	code
2	CARD16	sequence number
4		unused
2	CARD16	minor opcode
1	CARD8	major opcode
21		unused

Mode		
1	0	Error
1	CARD8	code
2	CARD16	sequence number
4		unused
2	CARD16	minor opcode
1	CARD8	major opcode
21		unused

Class		
1	0	Error
1	CARD8	code
2	CARD16	sequence number
4		unused
2	CARD16	minor opcode
1	CARD8	major opcode
21		unused

## Keyboards

KEYCODE values are always greater than 7 (and less than 256).

KEYSYM values with the bit #x10000000 set are reserved as vendor-specific.

The names and encodings of the standard KEYSYM values are contained in appendix F.

## Pointers

BUTTON values are numbered starting with one.

## Requests

GetExtensionVersion		
1	CARD8	input extension opcode
1	1	GetExtensionVersion opcode
2	2+(n+p)/4	request length
2	n	length of name
2		unused
n	STRING8	name
p		unused, p=pad(n)

=>		
1	1	Reply
1	1	GetExtensionVersion opcode
2	CARD16	sequence number
4	0	reply length
2	CARD16	major version
2	CARD16	minor version
1	BOOL	present
19		unused

ListInputDevices		
1	CARD8	input extension opcode
1	2	ListInputDevices opcode
2	1	request length

=>		
1	1	Reply
1	2	ListInputDevices opcode
2	CARD16	sequence number
4	(n+p)/4	reply length
1	CARD8	number of input devices
23		unused
n	LISTofDEVICEINFO	info for each input device
p		unused, p=pad(n)

DEVICEINFO		
4	CARD32	device type
1	CARD8	device id
1	CARD8	number of input classes this device reports
1	CARD8	device use
		0 IsXPointer
		1 IsXKeyboard
		2 IsXExtensionDevice
1		unused
n	LISTofINPUTINFO	input info for each input class
m	STR	name
p		unused, p=pad(m)

INPUTINFO                      KEYINFO or BUTTONINFO or VALUATORINFO

KEYINFO		
1	0	class id
1	8	length
1	KEYCODE	minimum keycode
1	KEYCODE	maximum keycode
2	CARD16	number of keys
2		unused

BUTTONINFO		
1	1	class id
1	4	length
2	CARD16	number of buttons

VALUATORINFO		
1	2	class id
1	8+12n	length
1	n	number of axes
1	SETofDEVICEMODE	mode
4	CARD32	size of motion buffer
12n	LISTofAXISINFO	valuator limits

AXISINFO		
4	CARD32	resolution
4	CARD32	minimum value
4	CARD32	maximum value

OpenDevice		
1	CARD8	input extension opcode
1	3	OpenDevice opcode
2	2	request length
1	CARD8	device id
3		unused

=>		
1	1	Reply
1	3	OpenDevice opcode
2	CARD16	sequence number
4	(n+p)/4	reply length
1	CARD8	number of input classes
23		unused
n	LISTofINPUTCLASSINFO	input class information
p		unused, p=pad(n)

# INPUTCLASSINFO

1	CARD8		input class id
	0	KEY	
	1	BUTTON	
	2	VALUATOR	
	3	FEEDBACK	
	4	PROXIMITY	
	5	FOCUS	
	6	OTHER	
1	CARD8		event type base code for this class

## CloseDevice

1	CARD8	input extension opcode
1	4	CloseDevice opcode
2	2	request length
1	CARD8	device id
3		unused

## SetDeviceMode

1	CARD8	input extension opcode
1	5	SetDeviceMode opcode
2	2	request length
1	CARD8	device id
1	CARD8	mode
2		unused

=>

1	1	Reply
1	5	SetDeviceMode opcode
2	CARD16	sequence number
4	0	reply length
1	CARD8	status
	0	Success
		AlreadyGrabbed
	3 + first_error	1 DeviceBusy
23		unused

## SelectExtensionEvent

1	CARD8	input extension opcode
1	6	SelectExtensionEvent opcode
2	3+n	request length
4	Window	event window
2	CARD16	count
2		unused
4n	LISTofEVENTCLASS	desired events

## GetSelectedExtensionEvents

1	CARD8	input extension opcode
1	7	GetSelectedExtensionEvents opcode
2	2	request length
4	Window	event window

=>			
1	1		Reply
1	7		GetSelecteExtensionEvents opcode
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	n + m		reply length
2	n		this client count
2	m		all clients count
20			unused
4n	LISTofEVENTCLASS		this client list
4m	LISTofEVENTCLASS		all clients list

ChangeDeviceDontPropagateList			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	8		ChangeDeviceDontPropagateList opcode
2	3+n		request length
4	Window		event window
2	n		count of events
1	mode		
	0	AddToList	
	1	DeleteFromList	
1			unused
4n	LISTofEVENTCLASS		desired events

GetDeviceDontPropagateList			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	9		GetDeviceDontPropagateList opcode
2	2		request length
4	Window		event window

=>			
1	1		Reply
1	9		GetDeviceDontPropagateList opcode
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	n		reply length
2	n		count of events
22			unused
4n	LISTofEVENTCLASS		don't propagate list

GetDeviceMotionEvents			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	10		GetDeviceMotionEvents opcode
2	4		request length
4	TIMESTAMP		start
	0	CurrentTime	
4	TIMESTAMP		stop
	0	CurrentTime	
1	CARD8		device id
3			unused

=>			
1	1		Reply
1	10		GetDeviceMotionEvents opcode
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	(m+1)n		reply length
4	n		number of DEVICETIMECOORDs in events
1	m		number of valuator per event
1	CARD8		mode of the device
	0	Absolute	
	1	Relative	
18			unused
(4m+4)n	LISTofDEVICETIMECOORD		events

DEVICETIMECOORD			
4	TIMESTAMP		time
4m	LISTofINT32		valuators
ChangeKeyboardDevice			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	11		ChangeKeyboardDevice opcode
2	2		request length
1	CARD8		device id
3			unused
=>			
1	1		Reply
1	11		ChangeKeyboardDevice opcode
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	0		reply length
1			status
	0	Success	
	1	AlreadyGrabbed	
	2	DeviceFrozen	
23			unused
ChangePointerDevice			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	12		ChangePointerDevice opcode
2	2		request length
1	CARD8		x-axis
1	CARD8		y-axis
1	CARD8		device id
1			unused
=>			
1	1		Reply
1	12		ChangePointerDevice opcode
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	0		reply length
1			status
	0	Success	
	1	AlreadyGrabbed	
	2	DeviceFrozen	
23			unused
GrabDevice			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	13		GrabDevice opcode
2	5+n		request length
4	WINDOW		grab-window
4	TIMESTAMP		time
	0	CurrentTime	
2	n		count of events
1			this-device-mode
	0	Synchronous	
	1	Asynchronous	
1			other-devices-mode
	0	Synchronous	
	1	Asynchronous	
1	BOOL		owner-events
1	CARD8		device id
2			unused
4n	LISTofEVENTCLASS		event list

```

=>
1 1 Reply
1 13 GrabDevice opcode
2 CARD16 sequence number
4 0 reply length
1 status
0 Success
1 AlreadyGrabbed
2 InvalidTime
3 NotViewable
4 Frozen
23 unused

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UngrabDevice
1 CARD8 input extension opcode
1 14 UngrabDevice opcode
2 3 request length
4 TIMESTAMP time
0 CurrentTime
1 CARD8 device id
3 unused

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GrabDeviceKey
1 CARD8 input extension opcode
1 15 GrabDeviceKey opcode
2 5+n request length
4 WINDOW grab-window
2 n count of events
2 SETofKEYMASK modifiers
#x8000 AnyModifier
1 CARD8 modifier device
#x0FF UseXKeyboard
1 CARD8 grabbed device
1 KEYCODE key
0 AnyKey
1 this-device-mode
0 Synchronous
1 Asynchronous
1 other-devices-mode
0 Synchronous
1 Asynchronous
1 BOOL owner-events
2 unused
4n LISTofEVENTCLASS event list

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UngrabDeviceKey
1 CARD8 input extension opcode
1 16 UngrabDeviceKey opcode
2 4 request length
4 WINDOW grab-window
2 SETofKEYMASK modifiers
#x8000 AnyModifier
1 CARD8 modifier device
#x0FF UseXKeyboard
1 KEYCODE key
0 AnyKey
1 CARD8 grabbed device
3 unused

```



GrabDeviceButton			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	17		GrabDeviceButton opcode
2	5+n		request length
4	WINDOW		grab-window
1	CARD8		grabbed device
1	CARD8		modifier device
	#x0FF	UseXKeyboard	
2	n		count of desired events
2	SETofKEYMASK		modifiers
1			this-device-mode
	0	Synchronous	
	1	Asynchronous	
1			other-device-mode
	0	Synchronous	
	1	Asynchronous	
1	BUTTON		button
	0	AnyButton	
1	BOOL		owner-events
	#x8000	AnyModifier	
2			unused
4n	LISTofEVENTCLASS		event list
UngrabDeviceButton			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	18		UngrabDeviceButton opcode
2	4		request length
4	WINDOW		grab-window
2	SETofKEYMASK		modifiers
	#x8000	AnyModifier	
1	CARD8		modifier device
	#x0FF	UseXKeyboard	
1	BUTTON		button
	0	AnyButton	
1	CARD8		grabbed device
3			unused
AllowDeviceEvents			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	19		AllowDeviceEvents opcode
2	3		request length
4	TIMESTAMP		time
	0	CurrentTime	
1			mode
	0	AsyncThisDevice	
	1	SyncThisDevice	
	2	ReplayThisDevice	
	3	AsyncOtherDevices	
	4	AsyncAll	
	5	SyncAll	
1	CARD8		device id
2			unused
GetDeviceFocus			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	20		GetDeviceFocus opcode
2	2		request length
1	CARD8		device
3			unused

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=>
1 1 Reply
1 20 GetDeviceFocus opcode
2 CARD16 sequence number
4 0 reply length
4 WINDOW focus
0 None
1 PointerRoot
3 FollowKeyboard
4 TIMESTAMP focus time
1 revert-to
0 None
1 PointerRoot
2 Parent
3 FollowKeyboard
15 unused

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```

SetDeviceFocus
1 CARD8 input extension opcode
1 21 SetDeviceFocus opcode
2 4 request length
4 WINDOW focus
0 None
1 PointerRoot
3 FollowKeyboard
4 TIMESTAMP time
0 CurrentTime
1 revert-to
0 None
1 PointerRoot
2 Parent
3 FollowKeyboard
1 CARD8 device
2 unused

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GetFeedbackControl
1 CARD8 input extension opcode
1 22 GetFeedbackControl opcode
2 2 request length
1 CARD8 device id
3 unused

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```

=>
1 1 Reply
1 22 GetFeedbackControl opcode
2 CARD16 sequence number
4 m/4 reply length
2 n number of feedbacks supported
22 unused
m LISTofFEEDBACKSTATE feedbacks

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FEEDBACKSTATE KBDFEEDBACKSTATE, PTRFEEDBACKSTATE, INTEGERFEEDBACKSTATE, STRINGFEEDBACKSTATE, BELLFEEDBACKSTATE, or LEDFEEDBACKSTATE

#### KBDFEEDBACKSTATE

1	0		feedback class id
1	CARD8		id of this feedback
2	20		length
2	CARD16		pitch
2	CARD16		duration
4	CARD32		led_mask
4	CARD32		led_values
1			global_auto_repeat
	0	Off	
	1	On	
1	CARD8		click
1	CARD8		percent
1			unused
32	LISTofCARD8	auto_repeats	

#### PTRFEEDBACKSTATE

1	0		feedback class id
1	CARD8		id of this feedback
2	12		length
2			unused
2	CARD16		acceleration-numerator
2	CARD16		acceleration-denominator
2	CARD16		threshold

#### INTEGERFEEDBACKSTATE

1	0		feedback class id
1	CARD8		id of this feedback
2	16		length
4	CARD32		resolution
4	INT32		minimum value
4	INT32		maximum value

#### STRINGFEEDBACKSTATE

1	1		feedback class id
1	CARD8		id of this feedback
2	4n+8		length
2	CARD16		max_symbols
2	n		number of keysyms supported
4n	LISTofKEYSYM		key symbols supported

#### BELLFEEDBACKSTATE

1	1		feedback class id
1	CARD8		id of this feedback
2	12		length
1	CARD8		percent
3			unused
2	CARD16		pitch
2	CARD16		duration

#### LEDFEEDBACKSTATE

1	1		feedback class id
1	CARD8		id of this feedback
2	12		length
4	CARD32		led_mask
4	BITMASK		led_values
	#x0001	On	
	#x0002	Off	

ChangeFeedbackControl		
1	CARD8	input extension opcode
1	23	ChangeFeedbackControl opcode
2	3+n/4	request length
4	BITMASK	value-mask (has n bits set to 1)
	#x0001	keyclick-percent
	#x0002	bell-percent
	#x0004	bell-pitch
	#x0008	bell-duration
	#x0010	led
	#x0020	led-mode
	#x0040	key
	#x0080	auto-repeat-mode
	#x0001	string
	#x0001	integer
	#x0001	acceleration-numerator
	#x0002	acceleration-denominator
	#x0004	acceleration-threshold
1	CARD8	device id
1	CARD8	feedback class id
2		unused
n	FEEDBACKCLASS	

FEEDBACKCLASS      KBDFEEDBACKCTL, PTRFEEDBACKCTL, INTEGERFEEDBACKCTL,  
STRINGFEEDBACKCTL, BELLFEEDBACKCTL, or LEDFEEDBACKCTL

KBDFEEDBACKCTL		
1	0	feedback class id
1	CARD8	id of this feedback
2	20	length
1	KEYCODE	key
1		auto-repeat-mode
	0	Off
	1	On
	2	Default
1	INT8	key-click-percent
1	INT8	bell-percent
2	INT16	bell-pitch
2	INT16	bell-duration
4	CARD32	led_mask
4	CARD32	led_values

PTRFEEDBACKCTL		
1	1	feedback class id
1	CARD8	id of this feedback
2	12	length
2		unused
2	INT16	numerator
2	INT16	denominator
2	INT16	threshold

STRINGCTL		
1	2	feedback class id
1	CARD8	id of this feedback
2	4n+8	length
2		unused
2	n	number of keysyms to display
4n	LISTofKEYSYM	list of key symbols to display

INTEGERCTL		
1	3	feedback class id
1	CARD8	id of this feedback
2	8	length
4	INT32	integer to display

LEDCTL		
1	4	feedback class id
1	CARD8	id of this feedback
2	12	length
4	CARD32	led_mask
4	BITMASK	led_values
	#x0001	On
	#x0002	Off

BELLCTL		
1	5	feedback class id
1	CARD8	id of this feedback
2	8	length
1	INT8	percent
3		unused
2	INT16	pitch
2	INT16	duration

GetDeviceKeyMapping		
1	CARD8	input extension opcode
1	24	GetDeviceKeyMapping opcode
2	2	request length
1	CARD8	device
1	KEYCODE	first-keycode
1	CARD8	count
1		unused

=>		
1	1	Reply
1	24	GetDeviceKeyMapping opcode
2	CARD16	sequence number
4	nm	reply length (m = count field from the request)
1	n	keysyms-per-keycode
23		unused
4nm	LISTofKEYSYM	keysyms

ChangeDeviceKeyMapping		
1	CARD8	input extension opcode
1	25	ChangeDeviceKeyMapping opcode
2	2+nm	request length
1	CARD8	device
1	KEYCODE	first-keycode
1	m	keysyms-per-keycode
1	n	keycode-count
4nm	LISTofKEYSYM	keysyms

GetDeviceModifierMapping		
1	CARD8	input extension opcode
1	26	GetDeviceModifierMapping opcode
2	2	request length
1	CARD8	device
3		unused

=>			
1	1		Reply
1	26		GetDeviceModifierMapping opcode
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	2n		reply length
1	n		keycodes-per-modifier
23			unused
8n	LISTofKEYCODE		keycodes

SetDeviceModifierMapping			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	27		SetDeviceModifierMapping opcode
2	2+2n		request length
1	CARD8		device
1	n		keycodes-per-modifier
2			unused
8n	LISTofKEYCODE		keycodes

=>			
1	1		Reply
1	27		SetDeviceModifierMapping opcode
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	0		reply length
1			status
	0	Success	
	1	Busy	
	2	Failed	
23			unused

GetDeviceButtonMapping			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	28		GetDeviceButtonMapping opcode
2	2		request length
1	CARD8		device
3			unused

=>			
1	1		Reply
1	28		GetDeviceButtonMapping opcode
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	(n+p)/4		reply length
1	n		number of elements in map list
23			unused
n	LISTofCARD8		map
p			unused, p=pad(n)

SetDeviceButtonMapping			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	29		SetDeviceButtonMapping opcode
2	2+(n+p)/4		request length
1	CARD8		device
1	n		length of map
2			unused
n	LISTofCARD8		map
p			unused, p=pad(n)

=>			
1	1		Reply
1	29		SetDeviceButtonMapping opcode
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	0		reply length
1			status
	0	Success	
	1	Busy	
23			unused

QueryDeviceState			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	30		QueryDeviceState opcode
2	2		request length
1	CARD8		device
3			unused

=>			
1	1		Reply
1	30		QueryDeviceState opcode
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	m/4		reply length
1	n		number of input classes
23			unused
m	LISTofINPUTSTATE		

INPUTSTATE                      KEYSTATE or BUTTONSTATE or VALUATORSTATE

KEYSTATE			
1	CARD8		key input class id
1	36		length
1	CARD8		num_keys
1			unused
32	LISTofCARD8		status of keys

BUTTONSTATE			
1	CARD8		button input class id
1	36		length
1	CARD8		num_buttons
1			unused
32	LISTofCARD8		status of buttons

VALUATORSTATE			
1	CARD8		valuator input class id
1	4n + 4		length
1	n		number of valuator
1			mode
	#x01	DeviceMode (0 = Relative, 1 = Absolute)	
	#x02	ProximityState (0 = InProximity, 1 = OutOfProximity)	
4n	LISTofCARD32		status of valuator

SendExtensionEvent			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	31		SendExtensionEvent opcode
2	$4 + 8n + m$		request length
4	WINDOW		destination
1	CARD8		device
1	BOOL		propagate
2	CARD16		eventclass count
1	CARD8		num_events
3			unused
32n	LISTofEVENTS		events to send
4m	LISTofEVENTCLASS		desired events
DeviceBell			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	32		DeviceBell opcode
2	2		request length
1	CARD8		device id
1	CARD8		feedback id
1	CARD8		feedback class
1	INT8		percent
SetDeviceValuators			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	33		SetDeviceValuators opcode
2	$2 + n$		request length
1	CARD8		device id
1	CARD8		first valuator
1	n		number of valuator
1			unused
4n	LISTofINT32	valuator values to set	
=>			
1	1		Reply
1	33		SetDeviceValuators opcode
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	0		reply length
1	CARD8		status
	0	Success	
	1	AlreadyGrabbed	
23			unused
GetDeviceControl			
1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	34		GetDeviceControl opcode
2	2		request length
2	CARD16		device control type
1	CARD8		device id
1			unused
=>			
1	1		Reply
1	34		GetDeviceControl opcode
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	n/4		reply length
1	CARD8		status
	0	Success	
	1	AlreadyGrabbed	
	$3 + \text{first\_error}$	DeviceBusy	
23		unused	
n		DEVICESTATE	



## DEVICESTATE

## DEVICERESOLUTIONSTATE

### DEVICERESOLUTIONSTATE

2	0		control type
2	8 + 12n		length
4	n		num_valuators
4n	LISTOfCARD32	resolution values	
4n	LISTOfCARD32	resolution min_values	
4n	LISTOfCARD32	resolution max_values	

### ChangeDeviceControl

1	CARD8		input extension opcode
1	35		ChangeDeviceControl opcode
2	2+n/4		request length
2	CARD16		control type
1	CARD8		device id
1			unused
n			DEVICECONTROL

### DEVICECONTROL

### DEVICERESOLUTIONCTL

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2	1		control type
2	8 + 4n		length
1	CARD8		first_valuator
1	n		num_valuators
2			unused
4n	LISTOfCARD32	resolution values	

=>

1	1		Reply
1	35		ChangeDeviceControl opcode
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	0		reply length
1	CARD8		status
	0		Success
	1		AlreadyGrabbed
	3 + first_error		DeviceBusy
23			unused

## Events

DeviceKeyPress, DeviceKeyRelease, DeviceButtonPress, DeviceButtonRelease, ProximityIn, ProximityOut, and DeviceStateNotify events may be followed by zero or more DeviceValuator events. DeviceMotionNotify events will be followed by one or more DeviceValuator events.

### DeviceValuator

1	CARD8		code
1	CARD8		device id
2	CARD16		sequence number
2	SETOfKEYBUTMASK		state
1	n		number of valuator this device reports
1	m		number of first valuator in this event
24	LISTOfINT32	valuators	

DeviceKeyPress		
1	CARD8	code
1	KEYCODE	detail
2	CARD16	sequence number
4	TIMESTAMP	time
4	WINDOW	root
4	WINDOW	event
4	WINDOW	child
	0	None
2	INT16	root-x
2	INT16	root-y
2	INT16	event-x
2	INT16	event-y
2	SETofKEYBUTMASK	state
1	BOOL	same-screen
1	CARD8	device id
	#x80	MORE_EVENTS follow

DeviceKeyRelease		
1	CARD8	code
1	KEYCODE	detail
2	CARD16	sequence number
4	TIMESTAMP	time
4	WINDOW	root
4	WINDOW	event
4	WINDOW	child
	0	None
2	INT16	root-x
2	INT16	root-y
2	INT16	event-x
2	INT16	event-y
2	SETofKEYBUTMASK	state
1	BOOL	same-screen
1	CARD8	device id
	#x80	MORE_EVENTS follow

DeviceButtonPress		
1	CARD8	code
1	BUTTON	detail
2	CARD16	sequence number
4	TIMESTAMP	time
4	WINDOW	root
4	WINDOW	event
4	WINDOW	child
	0	None
2	INT16	root-x
2	INT16	root-y
2	INT16	event-x
2	INT16	event-y
2	SETofKEYBUTMASK	state
1	BOOL	same-screen
1	CARD8	device id
	#x80	MORE_EVENTS follow

DeviceButtonRelease			
1	CARD8		code
1	BUTTON		detail
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	TIMESTAMP		time
4	WINDOW		root
4	WINDOW		event
4	WINDOW		child
	0	None	
2	INT16		root-x
2	INT16		root-y
2	INT16		event-x
2	INT16		event-y
2	SETofKEYBUTMASK		state
1	BOOL		same-screen
1	CARD8		device id
	#x80		MORE_EVENTS follow

DeviceMotionNotify			
1	CARD8		code
1			detail
	0	Normal	
	1	Hint	
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	TIMESTAMP		time
4	WINDOW		root
4	WINDOW		event
4	WINDOW		child
	0	None	
2	INT16		root-x
2	INT16		root-y
2	INT16		event-x
2	INT16		event-y
2	SETofKEYBUTMASK		state
1	BOOL		same-screen
1	CARD8		device id
	#x80		MORE_EVENTS follow

DeviceFocusIn			
1	CARD8		code
1			detail
	0	Ancestor	
	1	Virtual	
	2	Inferior	
	3	Nonlinear	
	4	NonlinearVirtual	
	5	Pointer	
	6	PointerRoot	
	7	None	
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	TIMESTAMP		time
4	WINDOW		event
1			mode
	0	Normal	
	1	Grab	
	2	Ungrab	
	3	WhileGrabbed	
1	CARD8		device id
18			unused

DeviceFocusOut			
1	CARD8		code
1			detail
	0	Ancestor	
	1	Virtual	
	2	Inferior	
	3	Nonlinear	
	4	NonlinearVirtual	
	5	Pointer	
	6	PointerRoot	
	7	None	
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	TIMESTAMP		time
4	WINDOW		event
1			mode
	0	Normal	
	1	Grab	
	2	Ungrab	
	3	WhileGrabbed	
1	CARD8		device id
18			unused
ProximityIn			
1	CARD8		code
1			unused
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	TIMESTAMP		time
4	WINDOW		root
4	WINDOW		event
4	WINDOW		child
	0	None	
2	INT16		root-x
2	INT16		root-y
2	INT16		event-x
2	INT16		event-y
2	SETofKEYBUTMASK		state
1	BOOL		same-screen
1	CARD8		device id
	#x80		MORE_EVENTS follow
ProximityOut			
1	CARD8		code
1			unused
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	TIMESTAMP		time
4	WINDOW		root
4	WINDOW		event
4	WINDOW		child
	0	None	
2	INT16		root-x
2	INT16		root-y
2	INT16		event-x
2	INT16		event-y
2	SETofKEYBUTMASK		state
1	BOOL		same-screen
1	CARD8		device id
	#x80		MORE_EVENTS follow

DeviceStateNotify events may be immediately followed by zero or one DeviceKeyStateNotify and/ or zero or more DeviceValuator events.

DeviceStateNotify		
1	CARD8	code
1	CARD8	device id
	#x80	MORE_EVENTS follow
2	CARD16	sequence number
4	TIMESTAMP	time
1	CARD8	num_keys
1	CARD8	num_buttons
1	CARD8	num_valuators
1	CARD8	valuator mode and input classes reported
	#x01	reporting keys
	#x02	reporting buttons
	#x04	reporting valuators
	#x40	device mode (0 = Relative, 1 = Absolute)
	#x80	proximity state (0 = InProximity, 1 = OutOfProximity)
4	LISTofCARD8	first 32 keys (if reported)
4	LISTofCARD8	first 32 buttons (if reported)
12	LISTofCARD32	first 3 valuators (if reported)

DeviceKeyStateNotify		
1	CARD8	code
1	CARD8	device id
	#x80	MORE_EVENTS follow
2	CARD16	sequence number
28	LISTofCARD8	state of keys 33-255

DeviceButtonStateNotify		
1	CARD8	code
1	CARD8	device id
	#x80	MORE_EVENTS follow
2	CARD16	sequence number
28	LISTofCARD8	state of buttons 33-255

DeviceValuator		
1	CARD8	code
1	CARD8	device id
2	CARD16	sequence number
2	SETofKEYBUTMASK	state
1	n	number of valuators this device reports
1	n	number of first valuator in this event
24	LISTofINT32	valuators

DeviceMappingNotify		
1	CARD8	code
1	CARD8	device id
2	CARD16	sequence number
1		request
	0	MappingModifier
	1	MappingKeyboard
	2	MappingPointer
1	KEYCODE	first-keycode
1	CARD8	count
1		unused
4	TIMESTAMP	time
20		unused

ChangeDeviceNotify			
1	CARD8		code
1	CARD8		id of device specified on change request
2	CARD16		sequence number
4	TIMESTAMP		time
1			request
	0	NewPointer	
	1	NewKeyboard	
23			unused

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