Modicon TM5 Strain Gauge IoDrvTM5SEAISG Library Guide

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Safety Information



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About the Book



At a Glance

Document Scope

This documentation will acquaint you with the strain gauge configuration and functions offered within the full-bridge strain gauge electronic module.

This documentation describes the function block and variables of the IoDrvTM5SEAISG strain gauge library.

In order to use this manual, you must:

- Have a thorough understanding of the TM5SEAISG, including its design, functionality, and implementation within control systems.
- Be proficient in the use of the following IEC 61131-3 PLC programming languages:
 - Function Block Diagram (FBD)
 - Ladder Diagram (LD)
 - Structured Text (ST)
 - Instruction List (IL)
 - Sequential Function Chart (SFC)

Validity Note

This document has been updated for the release of TM3TI4D Add-on for SoMachine V4.3.

Related Documents

Title of Documentation	Reference Number
Modicon M258 Logic Controller Programming Guide	EIO000000402 (Eng.);
	EIO000000403 (Fre);
	EIO0000000404 (Ger);
	EIO000000405 (Spa),
	<i>EIO0000000406 (Ita)</i> ;
	EIO0000000407 (Chs)
Modicon LMC058 Motion Controller Programming Guide	EIO000000408 (Eng);
	EIO000000409 (Fre);
	EIO0000000410 (Ger);
	EIO0000000411 (Spa),
	EIO0000000412 (Ita);
	EIO0000000413 (Chs)

Title of Documentation	Reference Number
Modicon TM5 Expansion Modules Configuration Programming	EIO0000000420 (Eng),
Guide	EIO0000000421 (Fre),
	EIO0000000422 (Ger),
	EIO000000423 (Spa),
	<i>EIO0000000424 (Ita)</i> ,
	EIO000000425 (Chs)
Modicon TM5 Analog I/O Modules Hardware Guide	<u>EIO000000450 (Eng)</u> ;
	EIO000000451 (Fre);
	<i>EIO0000000452 (Ger)</i> ;
	EIO000000453 (Spa);
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 and, for certain critical control functions, provide a means to achieve a safe state during and
 after a path failure. Examples of critical control functions are emergency stop and overtravel
 stop, power outage and restart.
- Separate or redundant control paths must be provided for critical control functions.
- System control paths may include communication links. Consideration must be given to the implications of unanticipated transmission delays or failures of the link.
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Chapter 1 General Overview

Create your Measurement System

Overview

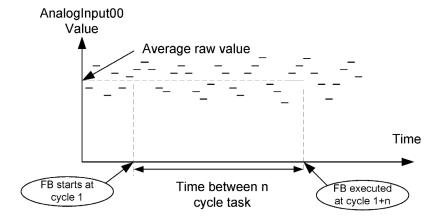
The full-bridge strain gauge sensor provides an electrical signal that the TM5SEAISG module converts to a raw numerical value. The raw value is then processed with the use of the StrainGaugeExt function block (see page 16) which provides a calibrated value.

This function block has 3 functions:

- make an average measure of the TM5SEAISG input in a defined period
- define a linear calibration to match the needs of your process
- provide a calibrated mesure

NOTE: The Strain Gauge function block is not automatically declared when you add TM5SEAISG to the controller.

The average raw value is calculated with all the measures done by the TM5SEAISG module during a define number of task cycles. The number of task cycles is set with the **Cycle_number** input of the function block.

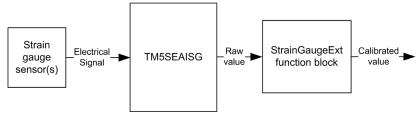


Where n is the **Cycle_number** value.

NOTE: The accuracy of the measurement provided by the electronic module may be compromised considerably if the full-bridge strain gauge set-up and installation rules have not been observed (see Modicon TM5, Analog I/O Modules, Hardware Guide).

Measurement Cycle

The measurement system is shown in the following diagram:



Your measurement system is created through the configuration (see Modicon TM5, Expansion Modules Configuration, Programming Guide) of the TM5SEAISG and the usage of the StrainGaugeExt function block.

Chapter 2 Programming

Overview

This chapter describes how to use the **StrainGaugeExt** function block to calibrate your measurement system and how to obtain a calibrated value.

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This chapter contains the following sections:

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Section 2.1 Strain Gauge Function Block

What Is in This Section?

This section contains the following topics:

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Adding the StrainGaugeExt Function Block

Procedure

Follow these steps to add and create an instance of a **StrainGaugeExt** function block:

Step	Action
1	Select the Libraries tab in the Software Catalog and click Libraries . Select Controller → M258 or LMC058 → IoDrvTM5SEAISG → StrainGaugeExt in the list, drag-and-drop the item onto the POU window.
2	Create the function block instance by clicking on:
3	The inputs and outputs are detailed in the Description I/O Variables (see page 17).

StrainGaugeExt Function Block Presentation

Overview

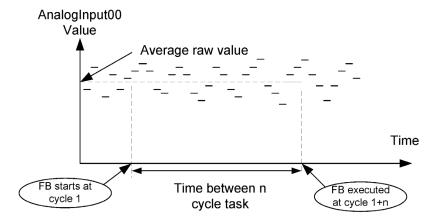
The **StrainGaugeExt** function block is an extended version of the **StrainGauge** function block, as it provides the capability to make continuous weight measurement on any type of bus (like TM5 and CANopen).

The **StrainGaugeExt** function block can be used with TM5SEAISG in local, remote and distributed architectures.

The StrainGauge function block has 3 functions:

- make an average measure of the TM5SEAISG input in a defined period
- · define a linear calibration to match the needs of your process
- provide a calibrated measure

The average raw value is calculated with all the measures done by the TM5SEAISG module during a define number of task cycles. The number of task cycles is set with the <code>Cycle_Number</code> input of the function block.



Where n is the Cycle_number value.

StrainGaugeExt Function Block Representation



IL and ST Representation

To see the general representation in IL or ST language, refer to the Function and Function Block Representation (see page 37) chapter.

Description of I/O Variables

The table shows the input variables:

Input	Туре	Initial	Comment
xEnable	BOOL	_	TRUE = action running. FALSE = action stopped, the outputs xDone, xBusy, xError and iError are reset.
AnalogInput	DINT	CST_INVALID_ VALUE	Raw value given by StrainGauge module. To be mapped through a variable to AnalogInput00 in: I/O Mapping of TM5SEAISG module or; CANopen I/O Mapping of the TM5/TM7 DTM if StrainGauge module is used with TM5 CANopen Interface.
Tare_Enable	BOOL	FALSE	TRUE = enables the taring function.
Ref1_Enable	BOOL	FALSE	TRUE = enables the measure of the point reference number 1.
Ref2_Enable	BOOL	FALSE	TRUE = enables the measure of the point reference number 2.
Cycle_number	ВУТЕ	1	Number of task cycles that is used to make an average measure of the raw value contained in AnalogInput00 (must be different than 0).
xContinuous	BOOL	FALSE	Running mode: TRUE = Continuous measurement. FALSE = Single measurement.
s_strainGaugePa- rameter	StrainGaugeParam- eter <i>(see page 35)</i>	_	Taring and calibration values.

The table shows the output variables:

Output	Туре	Initial	Comment
xDone	BOOL	_	TRUE = indicates that the action is successfully completed. Function block execution is finished.
xBusy	BOOL	_	TRUE = indicates that the function block execution is in progress.
xError	BOOL	_	TRUE = indicates that an error was detected and the function block aborts the action. Function block execution is finished.
xReady	BOOL	FALSE	TRUE = indicates that the Calibrated_value is valid.
eError	StainGauge_Error (see page 34)	0	When xError is TRUE: type of the detected error.
Calibrated_value	DINT	CST_INVALID_ VALUE	Value calculated after the calibration processing of the function block.

Section 2.2 Strain Gauge Legacy Function Block

What Is in This Section?

This section contains the following topics:

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Adding the StrainGauge Function Block

Procedure

Follow these steps to add and create the instance of a **StrainGauge** function block:

Step	Action
1	Select the Libraries tab in the Software Catalog and click Libraries . Select Controller → M258 or LMC058 → IoDrvTM5SEAISG → Legacy → StrainGauge in the list, drag-and-drop the item onto the POU window.
2	Create the function block instance by clicking on:
3	The inputs and outputs are detailed in the Description I/O Variables (see page 22).

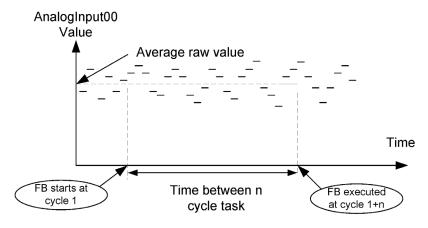
StrainGauge Function Block Presentation

Overview

The StrainGauge function block has 3 functions:

- make an average measure of the TM5SEAISG input in a defined period
- define a linear calibration to match the needs of your process
- provide a calibrated mesure

The average raw value is calculated with all the measures done by the TM5SEAISG module during a define number of task cycles. The number of task cycles is set with the <code>Cycle_Number</code> input of the function block.



Where n is the Cycle number value.

StrainGauge Function Block Representation



IL and ST Representation

To see the general representation in IL or ST language, refer to the Function and Function Block Representation (see page 37) chapter.

Description of I/O Variables

The following table describes the input variables:

Input	Туре	Initial	Comment
xExecute	BOOL	_	On rising edge, starts the function block execution. On falling edge, resets the outputs of the function block when its execution terminates.
Module_Ref	TM5_STRAINGAUGE	_	Reference of the expansion electronic module TM5SEAISG.
Tare_Enable	BOOL	FALSE	TRUE = enables the taring function.
Ref1_Enable	BOOL	FALSE	TRUE = enables the measure of the point reference number 1.
Ref2_Enable	BOOL	FALSE	TRUE = enables the measure of the point reference number 2.
Cycle_number	DWORD	0	Number of task cycles that is used to make an average measure of the raw value contained in AnalogInput00 (must be different than 0).
s_strainGaugePa- rameter	StrainGaugeParam- eter <i>(see page 35)</i>	_	Taring and calibration values.

The following table describes the output variables:

Output	Туре	Initial	Comment
xDone	BOOL	_	TRUE = indicates that the action is successfully completed. Function block execution is finished.
xBusy	BOOL	_	TRUE = indicates that the function block execution is in progress.
xError	BOOL	-	TRUE = indicates that an error was detected and the function block aborts the action. Function block execution is finished.
eError	StainGauge_Error (see page 34)	0	When xError is TRUE: type of the detected error.
Calibrated_value	DINT	FF80 0000 hex	Value calculated after the calibration processing of the function block (see page 23).

Section 2.3 Calibrate Your System

What Is in This Section?

This section contains the following topics:

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Linear Calibration

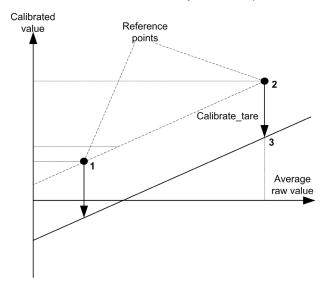
Overview

The TM5 StrainGauge function block provides a calibrated measurement. It is necessary to calibrate your system before starting any measurement.

The calibration of your system is done in 3 steps:

Step	Action		
1	Define a first reference point.		
2	Define a second reference point.		
3	Define a tare.		

The calibrated measure is done by linear interpolation:



The calibrated line is saved in a variable of type StrainGaugeParameter (see page 35).

NOTE: To define the calibration line, it is recommended to choose two reference points around the nominal measurement value. The first reference point at 10...20% of the nominal value and the second reference point at 50...60% of the nominal value.

Create the First Reference Point

Conditions

The following conditions must be respected:

- Module_Ref must have a correct value (see page 22)
- Cycle number must have a correct value (see page 22)

Procedure

The procedure sets the Raw Refl field of the s strainGaugeParameter structure.

Follow these steps to create the first reference point:

Step	Action	
1	Create and stabilize the conditions that are representative of the measurement required for the first reference point.	
2	Set the inputs of the StrainGauge function block to following values: Tare_Enable = 0 Ref1_Enable = 1 Ref2_Enable = 0	
3	Set the function block input xExecute to 1.	
4	When xDone = 1, s_strainGaugeParameter.RawRef1 is set to the average value calculated by the function block.	
5	Set the corresponding calibrated value you wish to associate with Raw_Ref1 in the s_strainGaugeParameter.Calibrate_Ref1.	

Create the Second Reference Point

Conditions

The following conditions must be respected:

- Module Ref must have a correct value (see page 22)
- Cycle number must have a correct value (see page 22)
- Reference 1 must be previously established

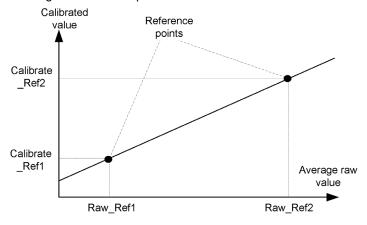
Procedure

The procedure sets the Raw Ref2 field of the s strainGaugeParameter structure.

Follow these steps to create the first reference point:

Step	Action	
1	Create and stabilize the conditions that are representative of the measurement required for the second reference point.	
2	Set the inputs of the StrainGauge function block to following values: Tare_Enable = 0 Ref1_Enable = 0 Ref2_Enable = 1	
3	Set the function block input xExecute to 1.	
4	When xDone = 1, s_strainGaugeParameter.RawRef2 is set to the average value calculated by the function block.	
5	Set the corresponding calibrated value you wish to associate with Raw_Ref2 in the s_strainGaugeParameter.Calibrate_Ref2.	

Defining both reference points allows to establish the calibration line:



Taring Your System

Conditions

The following conditions must be respected:

- Module Ref must have a correct value (see page 22)
- Cycle number must have a correct value (see page 22)
- Reference 1 must be previously established
- Reference 2 must be previously established

Taring Procedure

This procedure allows you to create an offset to establish a net value when there is a load, or "tare", measured and indicated by the TMSEAISG module.

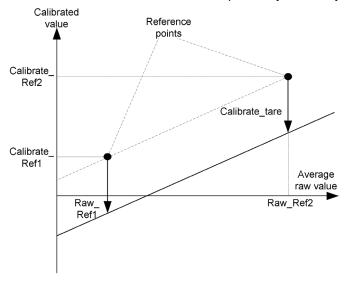
The procedure sets the <code>Calibrate_Tare</code> field of the <code>s_strainGaugeParameter</code> structure.

NOTE: The tare is derived from the calibrated line.

Follow these steps to tare a TM5SEAISG electronic module:

Step	Action	
1	Create and stabilize the conditions that are representative of the measurement required for the tare.	
2	Set the inputs of the StrainGauge function block to following values: Tare_Enable = 1 Ref1_Enable = 0 Ref2_Enable = 0	
3	Set the function block input xExecute to 1.	
4	${\tt s_strainGaugeParameter.Tare}$ is set to the calibrated value calculated by the function block.	

An offset is created on the calibrated line previously defined by both reference points:



Section 2.4 Measure a Calibrated Value

Using Your System

Conditions

The following conditions must be respected:

- Module Ref must have a correct value (see page 22)
- Cycle Number must have a correct value (see page 22)
- Reference 1 must be previously established
- Reference 2 must be previously established

NOTE: If no calibration parameters or incorrect calibration parameters are provided, the function block returns an error (06 hex) Error Codes (see page 34).

Measuring Procedure

After you calibrated your system and set a tare value if necessary, this procedure is used to obtain the calibrated value as measured by the TM5SEAISG module and calculated by the function block.

Follow these steps to measure a value:

Step	Action
1	Set the function block with the following input value: Tare_Enable = 0 Ref1_Enable = 0 Ref2_Enable = 0 xContinuous = TRUE if you want a continuous measurement (extended FB only)
2	Set the function block input xExecute to 1.
3	When xDone = 1, the Calibrated_value output of the function block provides the calibrated value as measured by the TM5SEAISG module and calculated by the function block.

Appendices



Overview

This appendix extracts parts of the programming guide for technical understanding of the library documentation.

What Is in This Appendix?

The appendix contains the following chapters:

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Appendix A Data Types

Overview

This chapter describes the data types of the strain gauge library.

What Is in This Chapter?

This chapter contains the following topics:

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StainGauge_Error: Error Codes

Enumerated Type Description

The $StainGauge_Error$ enumeration data type contains the following values:

Enumerator	Value	Description
CALIBRATION_OK	00 hex	Indicates that the measure is valid.
OVERFLOW_VALUE	01 hex	Indicates that the average raw value is above of the maximum value.
UNDERFLOW_VALUE	02 hex	Indicates that the average raw value is below of the minimum value.
INVALID_VALUE	03 hex	Indicates that the average raw value is invalid or the module is busy.
INVALID_CYCLETIME	04 hex	Indicates that the function block input Cycle_number = 0.
MULTIPLE_COMMAND	05 hex	Indicates that 2 of the function block inputs Taring_enable, Ref1_enable or Ref2_enable are set to 1.
INVALID_CALIBRATION_PARAMETERS	06 hex	Indicates that the calibration parameters (see page 23) are invalid.
INVALID_MODULE_REF	07 hex	Indicates that the module reference on the Module_Ref input is incorrect.

StrainGaugeParameter: Calibration Parameters

Enumerated Type Description

The StrainGaugeParameter enumeration data type contains the following values:

Enumerator	Value	Description
Calibrate_Tare	DINT	Offset of the calibrated value.
Calibrate_Ref1	DINT	Calibrated value at reference point 1 of the calibration line.
Calibrate_Ref2	DINT	Calibrated value at reference point 2 of the calibration line.
Raw_Ref1	REAL	Average raw value at reference point 1 of the calibration line.
Raw_Ref2	REAL	Average raw value at reference point 2 of the calibration line.

Appendix B

Function and Function Block Representation

Overview

Each function can be represented in the following languages:

- IL: Instruction List
- ST: Structured Text
- LD: Ladder Diagram
- FBD: Function Block Diagram
- CFC: Continuous Function Chart

This chapter provides functions and function blocks representation examples and explains how to use them for IL and ST languages.

What Is in This Chapter?

This chapter contains the following topics:

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Differences Between a Function and a Function Block

Function

A function:

- is a POU (Program Organization Unit) that returns one immediate result.
- is directly called with its name (not through an instance).
- has no persistent state from one call to the other.
- can be used as an operand in other expressions.

Examples: boolean operators (AND), calculations, conversion (BYTE TO INT)

Function Block

A function block:

- is a POU (Program Organization Unit) that returns one or more outputs.
- needs to be called by an instance (function block copy with dedicated name and variables).
- each instance has a persistent state (outputs and internal variables) from one call to the other from a function block or a program.

Examples: timers, counters

In the example, Timer ON is an instance of the function block TON:

```
1
    PROGRAM MyProgram ST
z
    VAR
3
        Timer ON: TON; // Function Block Instance
        Timer RunCd: BOOL;
4
5
        Timer PresetValue: TIME := T#5S;
6
        Timer Output: BOOL;
7
        Timer ElapsedTime: TIME;
8
    END VAR
    Timer ON(
2
         IN:=Timer RunCd,
3
         PT:=Timer_PresetValue,
         Q=>Timer Output,
5
        ET=>Timer ElapsedTime);
```

How to Use a Function or a Function Block in IL Language

General Information

This part explains how to implement a function and a function block in IL language.

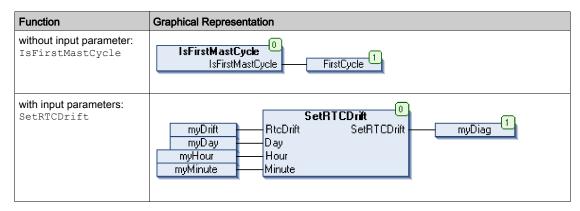
Functions IsFirstMastCycle and SetRTCDrift and Function Block TON are used as examples to show implementations.

Using a Function in IL Language

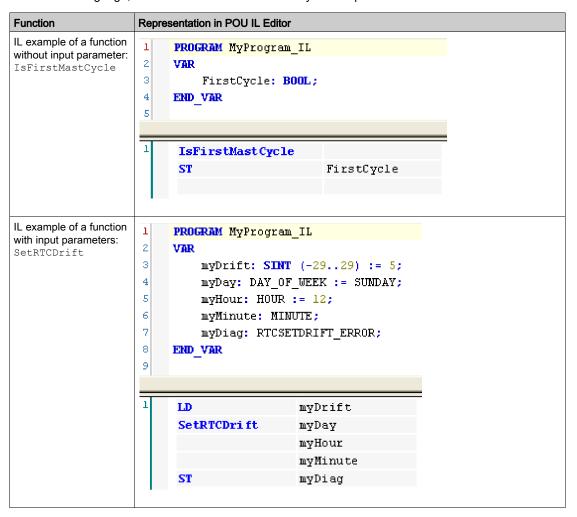
This procedure describes how to insert a function in IL language:

Step	Action	
1	Open or create a new POU in Instruction List language.	
	NOTE: The procedure to create a POU is not detailed here. For more information, refer to Adding and Calling POUs <i>(see SoMachine, Programming Guide).</i>	
2	Create the variables that the function requires.	
3	If the function has 1 or more inputs, start loading the first input using LD instruction.	
4	Insert a new line below and: • type the name of the function in the operator column (left field), or • use the Input Assistant to select the function (select Insert Box in the context menu).	
5	If the function has more than 1 input and when Input Assistant is used, the necessary number of lines is automatically created with ??? in the fields on the right. Replace the ??? with the appropriate value or variable that corresponds to the order of inputs.	
6	Insert a new line to store the result of the function into the appropriate variable: type ST instruction in the operator column (left field) and the variable name in the field on the right.	

To illustrate the procedure, consider the Functions IsFirstMastCycle (without input parameter) and SetRTCDrift (with input parameters) graphically presented below:



In IL language, the function name is used directly in the operator column:

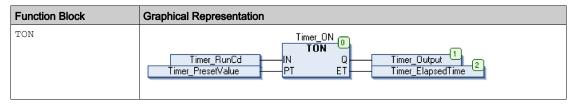


Using a Function Block in IL Language

This procedure describes how to insert a function block in IL language:

Step	Action
1	Open or create a new POU in Instruction List language.
	NOTE: The procedure to create a POU is not detailed here. For more information, refer to Adding and Calling POUs (see SoMachine, Programming Guide).
2	Create the variables that the function block requires, including the instance name.
3	Function Blocks are called using a CAL instruction: Use the Input Assistant to select the FB (right-click and select Insert Box in the context menu). Automatically, the CAL instruction and the necessary I/O are created.
	 Each parameter (I/O) is an instruction: Values to inputs are set by ":=". Values to outputs are set by "=>".
4	In the CAL right-side field, replace ??? with the instance name.
5	Replace other ??? with an appropriate variable or immediate value.

To illustrate the procedure, consider this example with the ${\tt TON}$ Function Block graphically presented below:



In IL language, the function block name is used directly in the operator column:

```
Function Block
                     Representation in POU IL Editor
TON
                      1
                          PROGRAM MyProgram_IL
                      2
                          VAR
                      3
                              Timer_ON: TON; // Function Block instance declaration
                      4
                              Timer RunCd: BOOL;
                      5
                              Timer_PresetValue: TIME := T#5S;
                      6
                              Timer Output: BOOL;
                      7
                              Timer_ElapsedTime: TIME;
                      8
                          END VAR
                      9
                                             Timer_ON(
                           CAL
                                        IN: = Timer RunCd,
                                        PT: = Timer_PresetValue,
                                         Q=> Timer_Output,
                                        ET=> Timer_ElapsedTime)
```

How to Use a Function or a Function Block in ST Language

General Information

This part explains how to implement a Function and a Function Block in ST language.

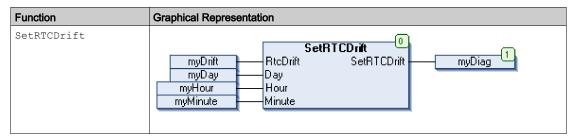
Function SetRTCDrift and Function Block TON are used as examples to show implementations.

Using a Function in ST Language

This procedure describes how to insert a function in ST language:

Step	Action	
1	Open or create a new POU in Structured Text language.	
	NOTE: The procedure to create a POU is not detailed here. For more information, refer to Adding and Calling POUs (see SoMachine, Programming Guide).	
2	Create the variables that the function requires.	
3	Use the general syntax in the POU ST Editor for the ST language of a function. The general syntax is: FunctionResult:= FunctionName(VarInput1, VarInput2, VarInputx);	

To illustrate the procedure, consider the function SetRTCDrift graphically presented below:



The ST language of this function is the following:

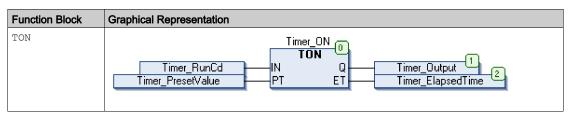
Function	Representation in POU ST Editor
SetRTCDrift	PROGRAM MyProgram_ST
	VAR myDrift: SINT(-2929) := 5;
	<pre>myDay: DAY_OF_WEEK := SUNDAY;</pre>
	myHour: HOUR := 12;
	myMinute: MINUTE;
	myRTCAdjust: RTCDRIFT_ERROR;
	END_VAR
	<pre>myRTCAdjust:= SetRTCDrift(myDrift, myDay, myHour, myMinute);</pre>

Using a Function Block in ST Language

This procedure describes how to insert a function block in ST language:

Step	Action
1	Open or create a new POU in Structured Text language.
	NOTE: The procedure to create a POU is not detailed here. For more information on adding, declaring and calling POUs, refer to the related documentation (see SoMachine, Programming Guide).
2	Create the input and output variables and the instance required for the function block: Input variables are the input parameters required by the function block Output variables receive the value returned by the function block
3	Use the general syntax in the POU ST Editor for the ST language of a Function Block. The general syntax is: FunctionBlock_InstanceName(Input1:=VarInput1, Input2:=VarInput2,Ouput1=>VarOutput1, Ouput2=>VarOutput2,);

To illustrate the procedure, consider this example with the ${\tt TON}$ function block graphically presented below:



This table shows examples of a function block call in ST language:

```
Function Block
                   Representation in POU ST Editor
TON
                    1
                         PROGRAM MyProgram ST
                    2
                             Timer ON: TON; // Function Block Instance
                    3
                    4
                             Timer RunCd: BOOL;
                    5
                             Timer PresetValue: TIME := T#5S;
                             Timer Output: BOOL;
                    6
                    7
                             Timer ElapsedTime: TIME;
                    8
                         END VAR
                         Timer ON(
                    2
                             IN:=Timer RunCd,
                    3
                             PT:=Timer PresetValue,
                             Q=>Timer_Output,
                    4
                             ET=>Timer_ElapsedTime);
                    5
```

Glossary



B

byte

A type that is encoded in an 8-bit format, ranging from 00 hex to FF hex.

C

CFC

(continuous function chart) A graphical programming language (an extension of the IEC 61131-3 standard) based on the function block diagram language that works like a flowchart. However, no networks are used and free positioning of graphic elements is possible, which allows feedback loops. For each block, the inputs are on the left and the outputs on the right. You can link the block outputs to the inputs of other blocks to create complex expressions.

F

FΒ

(function block) A convenient programming mechanism that consolidates a group of programming instructions to perform a specific and normalized action, such as speed control, interval control, or counting. A function block may comprise configuration data, a set of internal or external operating parameters and usually 1 or more data inputs and outputs.

function block diagram

One of the 5 languages for logic or control supported by the standard IEC 61131-3 for control systems. Function block diagram is a graphically oriented programming language. It works with a list of networks where each network contains a graphical structure of boxes and connection lines representing either a logical or arithmetic expression, the call of a function block, a jump, or a return instruction.

IL

(*instruction list*) A program written in the language that is composed of a series of text-based instructions executed sequentially by the controller. Each instruction includes a line number, an instruction code, and an operand (refer to IEC 61131-3).

INT

(integer) A whole number encoded in 16 bits.

LD

(*ladder diagram*) A graphical representation of the instructions of a controller program with symbols for contacts, coils, and blocks in a series of rungs executed sequentially by a controller (refer to IEC 61131-3).

P

POU

(program organization unit) A variable declaration in source code and a corresponding instruction set. POUs facilitate the modular re-use of software programs, functions, and function blocks. Once declared. POUs are available to one another.

S

ST

(structured text) A language that includes complex statements and nested instructions (such as iteration loops, conditional executions, or functions). ST is compliant with IEC 61131-3.

Т

tare

Mass of the empty packaging of a product, derived from the gross weight to get the net weight.

task

A group of sections and subroutines, executed cyclically or periodically for the MAST task or periodically for the FAST task.

A task possesses a level of priority and is linked to inputs and outputs of the controller. These I/O are refreshed in relation to the task.

A controller can have several tasks.



variable

A memory unit that is addressed and modified by a program.

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