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Programmable Logic Controller

Programming Guide

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1 Introduction

This document provides an overview of the technical aspects of Programming WebControl32™ PLC. The WebControl 32 PLC Programming Guide is very similar to the WebControl PLC User Guide in chapter 6. Function, usage and syntax as well as many examples are provided there to help you get started. The PLC version of firmware provides greater flexibility in I/O control; but in return, expects user to learn programming concepts and write an assembly like PLC program. A PLC program has the ability to read write and compare values of the available inputs, outputs, variables and timers. With a PLC program loaded and running, WebControl™ PLC can operate on its own, without a network connection. The PLC programming module and programming guide are provided for a learn-on-your own experience. Assistance in writing or debugging PLC code is not provided as part of the regular technical support for WebControl™ PLC configuration.

1.1 Scope

The scope of this document is to be a guide for programming the features provided by WebControl 32™. The reader is expected to be technically competent in all the technical areas within this document, and is strongly advised to play with example PLC programs and to write small test PLC program to test out each PLC command.

1.2 Table of Definitions

The following table is a list of definitions used though out the document.

Definition	Description
HTTP	Hypertext transfer protocol
DNS	Domain name server
SMTP	Simple mail transport protocol
SNTP	Simple network time protocol
1-wire	Special bidirectional serial data bus from Maxim
RH	Relative humidity
NetBios	Human readable name used as an alternative to an IP address for accessing the server on a network. E.g. http://WebControl™
IP	Internet protocol
DHCP	Dynamic host configuration protocol
ROM	Read only memory
PLC	Programmable Logic Controller

2 WebControl™ PLC Programming

The WebControl 32™ PLC firmware can be programmed to execute programmable logic sequences, including comparison and sub routines. WebControl 32™ PLC uses assembly like PLC language. Its main program starts with “START” and finishes with “END”. The PLC program is pasted into the web GUI. WebControl will automatically store it into its EEPROM so that if recycle power will not lose the program. The limitation of the WC32 PLC program size is 4000 line of code. The support for PLC programming is not included in the free support for configuration of WebControl™ PLC.

2.1 The Basics of PLC Programming

WebControl PLC program is NOT hard! We have included many examples toward the end of this chapter. A PLC program is made up of main routine and optional subroutines. “#” and “;” sign mark the beginning of comment, it will be removed automatically during sending to the WC32 board.

The main routine is enclosed between mandatory START and END instructions e.g.

```
START
#main instructions go here
END
```

To change the logic flow, GOTO instruction can be used as unconditional jump from one section of logic to another without call stack to return. CALLSUB instruction is for unconditional logic flow that may return to the original call stack. BNZ and BZ are conditional GOTO to branch to different section in logic. CNZ and CZ are conditional CALLSUB instruction allowing returning to call stack address.

Both GOTO and CALLSUB use **label** to identify where to execute next instruction. Label can be any string less than 10 characters. Label cannot be identical to any instruction keyword. If sub routines are used then they are coded after the END of the main routine body. Sub routines start at their label and must end with the instruction RET e.g.

```
TEST_IO_SUB:
#instructions here
RET
```

Subroutines can be called from the main program and from within other subroutines. Note that WebControl PLC has a return **program address stack** depth of 8 (or call stack 8).

The program control block has a zero bit that is updated implicitly on TEST instructions. This zero bit is set by any one of these TEST instructions: TSTEQ, TSTNE, TSTGT, TSTLT, TSTGE, TSTLE, ANDT, ORT, XORT, ANDBT, ORBT, XORBT, TSTB. Zero bit flag can be accessed by IO name ZBIT. This zero bit can also be used implicitly when using branch and call instructions, like BZ, BNZ, CZ, CNZ. E.g. the following test instruction yields a Boolean result which will implicitly set

the state of the zero bit. Next a branch instruction is used which branches on the state of the zero bit.

```
TSTEQ IP1 1 # sets zero bit based on the result of the test instruction
BNZ label    # branches to label if zero bit is non-zero
```

Format of instructions:

```
label: (optional)
      opcode operands
```

Labels must be terminated with a colon ':' and can be a maximum of 10 characters.

2.2 WebControl™ PLC Instructions

The following symbols are used in the table below:

d = destination

a,b..c = operands

() = optional, any operand enclosed in parenthesis mean it is an optional operand.

[] = non-blocking delay operator optional to TTL input/output and VARs. 32 bit unsigned number, represent resolution of 0.001 seconds. When the delay operator is used on input operands the current value of that input is only used if it has had that value for greater than the delay period specified between the brackets. When this operator is used on an output operand the output value is only set for the period specified in the brackets. All delay periods are specified in milliseconds. Note that accuracy and timer resolution is approximately 100ms, even though the delay operator value is in unit of 1mS.

Opcode	Operands	Description
START		Start of main program
PROTECTED		Must be 2 nd Opcode in PLC, will not display PLC code.
TSTEQ	a[] b[] (d[])	Tests if a is equal to b. Boolean result loaded into optional destination (d). Zero bit updated with result. If test evaluates to false then the next instruction is skipped.
TSTNE	a[] b[] (d[])	Tests if a is NOT equal to b. Boolean result loaded into optional destination (d). Zero bit updated with result. If test evaluates to false then the next instruction is skipped.
TSTGT	a[] b[] (d[])	Test if a is greater than b. Boolean result loaded into optional destination (d). Zero bit updated with result. If test evaluates to false then the next instruction is skipped.
TSTLT	a[] b[] (d[])	Tests if a is less than b. Boolean result loaded into optional destination (d). Zero bit updated with result. If test evaluates to false then the next instruction is skipped.
TSTGE	a[] b[] (d[])	Tests if a is greater than OR equal to b. Boolean result loaded into optional destination (d). Zero bit updated with

		result. If test evaluates to false then the next instruction is skipped.
TSTLE	a[] b[] (d[])	Tests if a is less than OR equal to b. Boolean result loaded into optional destination (d). Zero bit updated with result. If test evaluates to false then the next instruction is skipped.
SET	a[] b	Sets I/O id a to the value of b. No zero flag update.
SETB	a[] b[] d[]	Read a and set bit b and puts the result into d.
GETB	a[] b[] d[]	Read a bit position b and puts the result into d.
CLRB	a[] b[] d[]	Reads a and clear its bit position b and puts the result into d.
TSTB	a[] b[] d[]	Reads a and test its position b and puts the result into d. Zero bit updated with result.
ADD	a[] b[] d[]	Adds a and b and puts the result into d. Zero bit updated with result.
SUB	a[] b[] d[]	Subtracts b from a and puts the result into d. Zero bit updated with result.
DIV	a[] b[] d[]	Divides a by b and puts the result into d. Zero bit updated with result.
MOD	a[] b[] d[]	Divides a by b and puts the residue into d. Zero bit updated with result.
MUL	a[] b[] d[]	Multiplies a by b and puts the result into d. Zero bit updated with result.
DEC	a	Decrements a by 1. Zero bit updated.
INC	a	Increments a by 1. Zero bit updated.
AND	a[] b[] (d[])	Logical AND's a with b and optionally puts Boolean result into d. Zero bit updated.
ANDB	a[] b[] (d[])	Bitwise AND's a with b and optionally puts bitwise AND result into d. Zero bit updated.
OR	a[] b[] (d[])	Logical OR's a with b and optionally puts Boolean result into d. Zero bit updated.
ORB	a[] b[] (d[])	Bitwise OR's a with b and optionally puts bitwise OR result into d. Zero bit updated.
XOR	a[] b[] (d[])	Logical XOR's a with b and optionally puts Boolean result into d. Zero bit updated.
XORB	a[] b[] (d[])	Bitwise XOR's a with b and optionally puts bitwise result into d. Zero bit updated.
ANDT	a[] b[] (d[])	Logical AND's a with b and optionally puts Boolean result into d. Zero bit updated. Skip next line if zero.
ANDBT	a[] b[] (d[])	Bitwise AND's a with b and optionally puts bitwise AND result into d. Zero bit updated. Skip next line if zero.
ORT	a[] b[] (d[])	Logical OR's a with b and optionally puts Boolean result into d. Zero bit updated. Skip next line if zero.
ORBT	a[] b[] (d[])	Bitwise OR's a with b and optionally puts bitwise OR result into d. Zero bit updated. Skip next line if zero.
XORT	a[] b[] (d[])	Logical XOR's a with b and optionally puts Boolean result into d. Zero bit updated. Skip next line if zero.
XORBT	a[] b[] (d[])	Bitwise XOR's a with b and optionally puts bitwise result into d. Zero bit updated. Skip next line if zero.
BNZ	(a) b	If the optional a operand is specified it is tested for a non-zero value. If a is not specified then the zero bit is tested for

		non-zero. If true then program jumps to label specified in operand b.
BZ	(a) b	Same as BNZ but tests for zero value.
CNZ	(a) b	Same as the branch instruction but calls a subroutine instead of branching. See section on program address stack.
CZ	(a) b	Same as above but tests for zero result.
CALLSUB	a	Calls subroutine with label a. See section on program address stack.
GOTO	a	Branches to program address specified by label a.
DELAY	a	Delay instruction, delay specified in 1/1000 seconds. This delay is blocking delay, so that next PLC instruction will not execute until delay is over.
NOP		A no operation instruction.
RET		A return from subroutine instruction.
EMAIL	a	Sends email, a = message ID to send EM1 - EM8.
X10	a b c	a: house code 0-15, b: device code 0-15, c: ON, OFF, BRIGHT, DIM
WEBSET	a b	a: URL1-8, b: number or VAR, RAM or any other readable
SIND	a b	a: degree, b: VAR or RAM to store the result
COSD	a b	a: degree, b: VAR or RAM to store the result
TAND	a b	a: degree, b: VAR or RAM to store the result
ROTL	a b c	a: source register, b: number of bits; c: result register rotate to the left, overflow bits will be feed into right
ROTR	a b c	a: source register, b: number of bits; c: result register rotate to the right, overflow bits will be feed to the left
SETLED	0 1 2	0 to turn off green LED, 1 to turn on green LED, 2 default blinking.
IPTS	a b	reading TTL input last state change time tick counts. 2 nd paramter b is which TTL inut, first parameter a has the value.
IPEDGE	undefined	not implemented yet
I2CREAD	a b c	a: send ack, b: send stop, c: byte to read
I2CWRITE	a b c	a: send start, b: send stop, c: byte to write
SPIBYTE	a b c	a: mode, b: send byte, c: byte read from bus
PING	a b b	a: accesslist#, b: timeout 0.5ms, c: return value -1= failed, others 0.01ms response time from host
SAVE	a b	a is a string variable name for the USB key variable name, b is data type
LOAD	a b	a is a string variable name for the USB key variable name, b is data type
KEYUP		return true or false
KEYDOWN		return true or false
KEYLEFT		return true or false
KEYRIGHT		return true or false
KEYENTER		return true or false
KEYEXIT		return true or false
PRINT1	a	one or more double quoted string
PRINT2	a	one or more double quoted string
SPRINTF	a b c	a can be PRINTBUF1 or PRINTBUF2 b can be "%1F" to "%4F" to have 1 to 4 floating format, it

		can also be “D” for formatting number to string c is the variable value input example: SPRINTF printbuf1 “%2f” t1
STRCAT	a b c	a can be PRINTBUF1 or PRINTBUF2 b can be PRINTFBUFx or string constant “something” c can be the string to append
END		End of main program. This instruction will set the program counter back to zero and the program will start executing from the beginning.

Operands

An operand can be any of the following:

- a signed 32 bit decimal number. e.g. 100 or 1 or 0 etc.
- a hexadecimal number. e.g. 0xABF.
- a date stamp in the format MM/DD/YYYY e.g 02/10/2010
- a time stamp in the format HH:MM:SS e.g. 20:25:00
- a day of week identifier enclosed in single quotes e.g. 'sun'. Day of week identifiers are 'sun' 'mon' 'tue' 'wed' 'thu' 'fri' 'sat'
- an I/O identifier that is a place holder for the real I/O value that the PLC engine will get at runtime. Valid I/O identifiers are explained in next section.

2.3 WebControl™ PLC I/O Identifiers

The following are the valid I/O identifiers

OP1	TTL Outputs 1...16	Valid range 0 - 1
OP2		
OP3		
OP4		
OP5		
OP6		
OP7		
OP8		
OP9		
OP10		
OP11		
OP12		
OP13		
OP14		
OP15		
OP16		
IP1	TTL Inputs 1...8	Valid range 0 - 1
IP2	When non-blocking delay added to these input,	
IP3	its value will return TRUE, if input from 0->1	
IP4	longer than the delay value. For example,	
IP5	IP1[1000] will return FALSE, if TTL input 1 from 0	
IP6	to 1 last state change shorter than 1000ms.	
IP7	IP1[1000] return TRUE only when input 1 from 0 to 1	
IP8	and stay at logic 1 for longer than 1000ms.	
IP9		
IP10		
IP11		
IP12		
IP13		
IP14		
IP15		
IP16		
IPINV1	TTL Invert Inputs 1...8	Valid range 0 - 1
IPINV2	This is exactly same TTL input as IP1,..IP8	
IPINV3	except is inverted for filter short pulse purpose	
IPINV4	its usage is like: IPINV1[1000] to filter 1->0	
IPINV5	pulse shorter than 1000ms. If 1->0 pulse is shorter than	
IPINV6	1000ms, it will return false. Only when input state	
IPINV7	changed from 1 to 0 and stay that level for longer than	
IPINV8	1000ms, the value will be TRUE.	
IPINV9		
IPINV10		
IPINV11		
IPINV12		
IPINV13		
IPINV14		

IPINV15
IPINV16

AIP1 Analog Inputs 1..8 Valid range 0 - 1024
AIP2 AIP1 to AIP8 are built-in A/D converters.
AIP3
AIP5
AIP6
AIP7
AIP8
AIP9 humidity sensor raw ADC output value
AIP10 user accessible unsigned 16 bit number storage
AIP11 user accessible unsigned 16 bit number storage
AIP12 user accessible unsigned 16 bit number storage
AIP13 user accessible unsigned 16 bit number storage
AIP14 user accessible unsigned 16 bit number storage
AIP15 user accessible unsigned 16 bit number storage
AIP16 user accessible unsigned 16 bit number storage

T1 Temperature sensor inputs 1..16 Valid range -550 - +1250.

T2 Note that temperature values are specifies in 10's of
T3 degrees. So to test for 21.6 degrees C you would use the
T4 value 216.

T5
T6
T7
T8
T9
T10
T11
T12
T13
T14
T15
T16
...
T32

TS1 Temperature sensor state 1 or 0.
TS2 1 == GOOD sensor, 0 == bad sensor

TS3
TS4
TS5
TS6
TS7
TS8
TS9
TS10
TS11
TS12

TS13
 TS14
 TS15
 TS16
 ...
 TS32

H1 Humidity sensor valid range 0 - 100

EM1 Email identifiers 1...8

EM2
 EM3
 EM4
 EM5
 EM6
 EM7
 EM8
 EM9
 EM10
 EM11
 EM12
 EM13
 EM14
 EM15
 EM16

URL1 WEBSSET these URLs 1...8

URL2
 URL3
 URL4
 URL5
 URL6
 URL7
 URL8

CD Current date mm/dd/yyyy format

CT Current time hh:mm:ss format

CDW Current day of week

CH Current hour of day

CM Current minute of hour

CS Current second of minute

CDAY Current day of month

CMONTH Current month of year

CYEAR Current year

CTS Current total seconds since 1/1/2000 (based on local clock)

VAR1 32 bit signed integer variables 1...16

VAR2 The value will be displayed in System Status

VAR3 Delay operator is valid on these

VAR4 It will help debug your program, if you store debug

VAR5 value in VARx.

VAR6
VAR7
VAR8
VAR9
VAR10
VAR11
VAR12
VAR13
VAR14
VAR15
VAR16

RAM1 32 bit signed integer general purpose RAM 1...16. Delay
RAM2 operator is not valid on these. Not displayed anywhere
RAM3
RAM4
RAM5
RAM6
RAM7
RAM8
RAM9
RAM10
RAM11
RAM12
RAM13
RAM14
RAM15
RAM16

PWM1 Pulse Width Modulation output
PWM2
PWM3
PWM4

COUNTER1, TTL IP5
COUNTER2, TTL IP6
COUNTER3, TTL IP11

RAM1H 16 bit signed integer general purpose RAM 1...8. Delay
RAM2H operator is not valid on these. Not displayed anywhere
RAM3H store in the SAME RAM location as RAM1-8 higher 16 bits
RAM4H
RAM5H
RAM6H
RAM7H
RAM8H

RAM1L 16 bit signed integer general purpose RAM 1...8. Delay
RAM2L operator is not valid on these. Not displayed anywhere
RAM3L store in the SAME RAM location as RAM1-8, lower 16 bits
RAM4L
RAM5L
RAM6L

RAM7L	
RAM8L	
RAMB10	8 bit signed integer general purpose RAM 1...8. Delay operator is not valid on these. Not displayed anywhere store in the SAME RAM location as RAM1-8, byte 0 location
RAMB20	
RAMB30	
RAMB40	
RAMB50	
RAMB60	
RAMB70	
RAMB80	
RAMB11	8 bit signed integer general purpose RAM 1...8. Delay operator is not valid on these. Not displayed anywhere store in the SAME RAM location as RAM1-8, byte 1 location
RAMB21	
RAMB31	
RAMB41	
RAMB51	
RAMB61	
RAMB71	
RAMB81	
RAMB12	8 bit signed integer general purpose RAM 1...8. Delay operator is not valid on these. Not displayed anywhere store in the SAME RAM location as RAM1-8, byte 2 location
RAMB22	
RAMB32	
RAMB42	
RAMB52	
RAMB62	
RAMB72	
RAMB82	
RAMB13	8 bit signed integer general purpose RAM 1...8. Delay operator is not valid on these. Not displayed anywhere store in the SAME RAM location as RAM1-8, byte 3 location
RAMB23	
RAMB33	
RAMB43	
RAMB53	
RAMB63	
RAMB73	
RAMB83	
RAM1B1	1 bit access to purpose RAM 1 only. This only availavble for RAM1 Delay operator is not valid on these. Not displayed anywhere, store in the SAME RAM1 location
RAM1B2	
...	
RAM1B32	
UROM1	32 bit signed integer user value stored in EEPROM read only, value sets through general tab on web GUI.
UROM2	
UROM3	
UROM4	
UROM5	
UROM6	
UROM7	
UROM8	

STR1	string table are stored in the web GUI sting table
STR2	configuration, each string length not exceed 127 bytes
STR3	
STR4	
STR5	
STR6	
STR7	
STR8	
STR9	
STR10	
STR11	
STR12	
STR13	
STR14	
STR15	
STR16	
STR17	
STR18	
STR19	
STR20	
STR21	
STR22	
STR23	
STR24	
STR25	
STR26	
STR27	
STR28	
STR29	
STR30	
STR31	
STR32	
KEYUP, KEYDOWN, KEYLEFT, KEYRIGHT, KEYENTER, KEYEXIT,	
COUNTER //FCOUNTER	32 bit counter can be read, compare, or set read only, frequency per second up to 2MHz.
WSRPLY	read and write, automatically set by web server during WEBSSET call when server specified a value like "SET_WC=12345678".
LED	read and write, When read 0 means LED is off, 1 means LED is on, 2 means LED is heart beat. When write, valie is 0,1, or 2.
ALLINS ALLOUTS	read only, All 8 TTL as a byte. Only in 3.02.17a firmware read write, All 8 TTL output as a byte, only in 3.02.17a firmware.

PRINTBUF1	16 byte string variable for SPRINTF, STRCAT, and PRINTx
PRINTBUF2	16 byte string variable for SPRINTF, STRCAT, and PRINTx
IPADDR	32 bit read only number contains board IP address
IPGATE	32 bit read only number contains board gateway address

2.4 WebControl PLC Examples

For best understanding how PLC logic working, you can try to copy and paste the examples below into your WebControl PLC program screen to check them out. Please note PLC logic will execute from START to END. Then it will continue from START to END, forever repeating. If you last line of PLC code could skip next instruction, like those TST instruction, it might skip your first line when condition met. Please do pay attention to it. If you use CALLSUB to run subroutine, after finishing the subroutine, the logic will return back to where CALLSUB called and continue.

2.4.1 Example 1 Set Output based on condition

Control incubator heater connected to TTL output 1. If temperature T3 is less than 37 degree C turn ON the heater; if T3 is greater or equal to 39 degree C, turn the heater OFF,.

```
START
    TSTLE T3 370 OP1
    NOP
    TSTGT T3 389
    SET OP1 0
END
```

However, this does not work, when temperature reached above 37 degree C, the OP1 turned off, instead of reaching to 39 degree C. The problem is the OP1 can be set to ON or OFF by the "TSLE T3 370 OP1" line alone. To reduce heater relay constantly turning ON and OFF, it is better to have two subroutines to handle the OP1 state.

```
START
    TSTLE T3 370
    CALLSUB HEAT_ON
    TSTGT T3 389
    CALLSUB HEAT_OFF
END
```

```
HEAT_ON:
    SET OP1 1
RET
```

```
HEAT_OFF:
```

```

SET OP1 0
RET

```

What if the heater relay stuck, or the heater elements burn out? You can add additional function in this PLC program to send you email notice or sound an alarm for such a situation.

2.4.2 Example 2: Flash TTL output

Flashes output 2 at a rate of 1Hz. (Please note OP2[500] has no space in between which delays 500ms). Please note the delay function used in this example, which is non-blocking, that means the PLC logic will immediately execute next TSTEQ instruction until the delay is over.

```

START
  TSTEQ OP2[500] 0
  SET OP2 1
  TSTEQ OP2[500] 1
  SET OP2 0
END

```

Another way to implement this is:

```

START
  XOR OP2 1 OP2
  DELAY 500
END

```

2.4.3 Example 3: Push Button Input Control Output

When a push button connected to TTL input 1 being pushed, set the TTL output 3 ON.

```

START
  TSTEQ IP1 1 OP3
  TSTEQ OP3 1
  SET OP3 0
END

```

Although this example works, it has flaw. Because all the pushbutton switches from market will not have clean instant ON or OFF, they actually produce a bunch of ON and OFF signals when pushed. If you use a scope to watch IP1 input line or OP3 output line, you will see they are many ON and OFF pulses during pushing or releasing the button. The better way to handle the case is like Example 10 later in this manual. However, if TTL OIP1 connected to a clean signal source, this example does work well.

2.4.4 Example 4: Send EMAIL

To send email 1 when $T3 - T2 \geq 20$ degrees you would use:

```
START
  SUB T3 T2 RAM1
  TSTGE RAM1 200
  EMAIL EM1
END
```

The above rule is a bit too simple because an email will constantly be generated while RAM1 is greater than or equal to 200. (20 degrees in this case) To guard against that the following logic should be considered. This implementation will only send one email when the temperature comparison beyond the range. If you turn on heater or cooler instead of sending email, similar consideration also should be excised:

```
START
  SET RAM2 0
LOOP:
  SUB T3 T2 RAM1
  TSTGE RAM1 200 RAM1
  GOTO SEND
  SET RAM2 0
  GOTO LOOP
END

SEND:
  BNZ RAM2 LOOP
  SET RAM2 1
  EMAIL EM1
  GOTO LOOP
```

Please note in SEND portion of the code, RAM2 is being checked, if it is already 1, it will skip sending email. Only when RAM2 == 0, an email will be send. Only when RAM1 < 200, the LOOP will skip SEND logic and reset RAM2 to 0.

2.4.5 Example 5, Parallel I/O

This simple program performs 4 separate I/O checks and sets OP1 to OP4 states. In this example, we use subroutine feature of the PLC logic. Although in this case, GOTO can do same thing as CALLSUB, CALLSUB can help program more readable. In certain logic, you have to use CALLSUB instead of GOTO, depending on the logic flow. We will explain more when we run into those examples.

The logic in this example follows:

OP1 is set if T3 > 50
OP1 is cleared if T3 < 50
OP2 is set if IP1 == 1 for more than 300ms
OP2 is cleared if IP1 == 0
OP3 is set if AIP1 + AIP2 > 1024
OP3 is cleared if IP4 == 1
OP4 is set if OP1 == 1
OP4 is cleared if OP1 == 0

The PLC code written for the above scenarios would be as follows:

```
START
  CALLSUB checkOP1
  CALLSUB checkOP2
  CALLSUB checkOP3
  CALLSUB checkOP4
END

checkOP1:
  TSTGT T3 500 OP1
  RET

checkOP2:
  TSTEQ IP1[300] 1 OP2
  RET

checkOP3:
  ADD AIP1 AIP2 RAM1
  TSTGT RAM1 1024
  BNZ I1
  TSTEQ IP4 1
  BNZ I2
  RET

I1:
  SET O3 1
  RET

I2:
  SET O3 0
  RET

checkOP4:
  TSTEQ OP1 1 OP4
  RET
```

Please note in this example, we assume the TTL input, analog input and temperature reading are all perfect, no bouncing up and down. In reality, you have to add consideration to it.

2.4.6 Example 6, Sequential I/O

The following simple program shows how to set-up sequential I/O.

```

OP1 is set when IP1 rises from 0 to 1
OP4 is cleared when IP1 rises from 0 to 1
OP1 is cleared when O4 == 1
OP2 is set when T3 > 25 AND OP1 == 1
OP2 is cleared when OP1 == 0
EMAIL1 is sent when OP2 is set
O4 is set when OP2 == 1 for more than 1 second

```

The assembly language written for the above scenario would be as follows:

```

START
  BNZ IP1 start
11:
  TSTEQ IP1 1
  BZ 11
  SET OP1 1
  SET OP4 0

12:
  TSTGT T3 250 RAM1
  AND OP1 RAM1
  BZ 12
  SET OP2 1
  EMAIL EM1

13:
  TSTEQ OP2[1000] 1
  BZ 13
  SET OP4 1
  SET OP1 0
END

```

Please note in this example, we assume the TTL input, analog input and temperature reading are all perfect, no bouncing up and down. In reality, you have to add consideration to it.

2.4.7 Example 7, Traffic Lights

This example will let pedestrian to push a button to change the light on a busy street, so that he can cross the street safely. IP1 hooks up to the pedestrian crossing button. If someone pushed cross button, the street will have amber light on for 10 seconds,

then red light to stop all the cars, allowing pedestrian to cross street in next 30 seconds. At the end of 30 seconds, it will flash the amber and red light for 5 seconds. VAR1 in the main program will let the crossing light turn on every 100 seconds, does not matter anybody push the crossing button or not.

OP1 Red + Pedestrian crossing light

OP2 Amber

OP3 Green

IP1 Pedestrian Push Button

START

CALLSUB LIGHTS_GO

loop:

SET VAR1[10000] 1

loop1:

TSTEQ IP1 1

BNZ sr

BZ VAR1 sr

GOTO loop1

sr:

CALLSUB STOP

GOTO loop

END

LIGHTS_ST:

SET OP1 1

SET OP2 0

SET OP3 0

RET

LIGHTS_GO:

SET OP1 0

SET OP2 0

SET OP3 1

RET

LIGHTS_AM:

SET OP1 0

SET OP2 1

SET OP3 0

RET

STOP:

CALLSUB LIGHTS_AM

```

DELAY 5000
CALLSUB LIGHTS_ST
DELAY 60000
CALLSUB LIGHTS_AM
SET RAM2 5
flash:
XOR OP2 1 OP2
DELAY 500
DEC RAM2
BNZ flash
CALLSUB LIGHTS_GO
RET

```

2.4.8 Example 8, Time based Control

WARNING: For time critical application, please make sure to check CYEAR correct before taking action based on system clock. When WebControl™ boot up, it will uses ROM hard coded time in 2011. If PLC reporting year 2011, the NTP or real time clock has not sync the local clock yet.

This example will have five subroutines. WebControl™ PLC will continuously loop through them. The “HOURLY” routing will compare analog input 1 and analog input 2, if $A1 - A2 > 10$, send an email notice 1. You can use similar logic to adjust your solar panel orientation each hour, etc. The “PERIOD” subroutine will turn on night light hooked up to OP1 after 18:00 hours and turn it off at 5AM. The “DAILY” subroutine will start the water sprinkler at 6:30AM for four zones. The “MONTHLY” routing will check the “salt low” sensor AIP3 on the water softener and send email notice 2. The “YEARLY” routing will ring the New Year’s bell connected to OP6 on each and every New Year’s Day for the whole day!

```

START
CALLSUB HOURLY
CALLSUB PERIOD
CALLSUB DAILY
CALLSUB MONTHLY
CALLSUB YEARLY
END

HOURLY:
TSTNE RAM1 CH
GOTO T1
RET

```

T1:
SET RAM1 CH
SUB AIP1 AIP2 RAM2
TSTGT RAM2 10
EMAIL EM1

RET

PERIOD:
TSTGE CH 18 RAM2
NOP
TSTLE CH 5 RAM3
NOP
OR RAM2 RAM3 OP1

RET

DAILY:
TSTEQ CH 7
SET RAM5 0
TSTEQ CH 6
BZ NOTYET
TSTGT CM 30
CALLSUB WATERING

NOTYET:

RET

MONTHLY:
TSTNE RAM4 CMONTH
GOTO T2

RET

T2:
TSTLE CH 8
GOTO 2EARLY
SET RAM4 CMONTH
TSTLT AIP3 20
EMAIL EM2

2EARLY:

RET

YEARLY:
TSTEQ CMONTH 1 RAM2
NOP
TSTEQ CDAY 1 RAM3
NOP
AND RAM2 RAM3 OP6

RET

WATERING:
BNZ RAM5 W_DONE

```
ZONE1:
    SET OP2 1
    TSTLE CM 35
    GOTO ZONE1
    SET OP2 0
ZONE2:
    SET OP3 1
    TSTLE CM 40
    GOTO ZONE2
    SET OP3 0
ZONE3:
    SET OP4 1
    TSTLE CM 45
    GOTO ZONE3
    SET OP4 0
ZONE4:
    SET OP5 1
    TSTLE CM 50
    GOTO ZONE4
    SET OP5 0
    SET RAM5 1
W_DONE:
RET
```

Please note in DAILY subroutine, we call another subroutine “watering”. In this place, we have to use subroutine, since we only want to call this routine after 6:30AM. If current minute is not 30, we will skip. Watering will be done before 7AM, so that we clear the flag RAM5 at 7AM. Also, please notice RAM1, RAM4 and RAM5 are holding static value and RAM2 and RAM3 are temporary storage being used by more than one subroutine. You can decide which RAM is for temporary data, which is for static value.

In the PERIOD subroutine, we constantly compare the time and set the OP1 ON or OFF. That is okay for solid state relay or other control relay, since the logic level did not change all the time. However, if you are sending a X10 command to turn on and off different lights, you want to make sure the X10 command only issued once, not repeatedly. You may create another subroutine in which set flag only calls
X10 1 15 ON
only once to turn ON light at house code 2, unit code 16 (please note WebControl’s X10 house code range 0-F, and device code range also 0-F.)

In the MONTHLY routine, we first check the current hour being 8AM then we check the water softener’s salt level. In this way you will not be waked up by email in the midnight.

When program WebControl PLC for time based logic, please make sure the time being used in different part of the program having no conflict between all the subroutines. If you want two things to happen at the same time, you should consider combine them into same routine to handle.

2.4.9 Example 9, Battery Charger

This is a PLC program to charge 3 serially connected NiMH batteries. First, it tries to discharge the batteries individually. If any battery discharged to 1V, it will stop the discharge and start charging. When each cell is being charged to 1.25V, it will stop charging. We assume the A1, A2, and A3 being calibrated to 1V=100. The measurement on the battery 2 is the total voltage of battery 1 and battery 2. And the measurement on battery 3 is the total voltage of all three batteries. This example will individually discharge and charge each battery.

```

start
    set op1 1
    set op2 1
    set op3 1
    set RAM1 0
    set RAM2 0
    set RAM3 0
loop:
    cnz op1 check_b1
    cnz op2 check_b2
    cnz op3 check_b3
goto loop
end
check_b1:
    BNZ RAM1 c1
    tstle AIP1 100 RAM1
    bz e1
c1:
    tstgt AIP1 125
    bnz e1
    set op1 0
    set op4 1
e1:
ret
check_b2:
    BNZ RAM2 c2
    sub AIP2 AIP1 RAM4
    tstle RAM4 100 RAM2
    bz e2
c2:
    sub AIP2 AIP1 RAM4
    tstgt RAM4 125
    bnz e2
    set OP2 0
    set OP5 1
e2:
ret
check_b3:
    BNZ RAM3 c3
    sub AIP3 AIP2 RAM4

```

```

    sub RAM4 AIP1 RAM4
    tstle RAM4 100 RAM3
    bz e3
c3:
    sub AIP3 AIP2 RAM4
    sub RAM4 AIP1 RAM4
    tstgt RAM4 125
    bnz e3
    set OP3 0
    set OP6 1
e3:
ret

```

2.4.10 Example 10, RFID reader and browser Control

For office door using RFID reader, as well as allowing operator remote browser control, the following program provided the example. RFID reader's NC (normally connect) output connects to IP1 on WebControl digital input. A 2.2K pull-up resistor also connected between IP1 and 5V. In this way, each time a valid RFID tag sensed, a TTL "1" feeds to WebControl IP1. Remote operator can also open the door by using browser set OUTPUT TTL1 to on. OP1 connects to the door open switch. TESTEQ logic will make sure the OP1 is an 1 second momentary output.

"LIGHTS" subroutine is for light control outside the office door; the light is on at 7PM and off at 5AM.

```

START
    CALLSUB LIGHTS
    TSTEQ RAM1 0
    CALLSUB SET_OP1
    CALLSUB CHK4LOW
    TSTEQ OP1[1000] 1
    SET OP1 0
END

CHK4LOW:
    TSTEQ IP1 0
    SET RAM1 0
    RET

SET_OP1:
    TSTEQ IP1 1 RAM1
    SET OP1 1
    RET

LIGHTS:
    TSTGE CH 19 RAM2
    NOP
    TSTLE CH 5 RAM3
    NOP

```

```
OR RAM2 RAM3 OP3
RET
```

In this logic, SET_OP1 must be subroutine, if “TSTEQ RAM1 0” it will call the subroutine SET_OP1, but if RAM1 != 0, then it will skip that call. In this way, we can guarantee OP1 only being turn on once. In the subroutine SET_OP1, it checks if RFID reader did detected valid RDID card present. If so, it will set the flag RAM1 to true, so that not being set over and over again. For gate opening device, this will make sure the gate will not left open all the time.

2.4.11 Example 11, Bitwise Operation

There are ANDB, ORB, and XORB operator operate on the VAR or RAM on the bit basis. This will allow each RAM or VAR to store up to 31 binary states. When VAR1 stores value 12345, and RAM1 stores value 256, after execute

```
ANDB VAR1 RAM1 VAR1
```

VAR1 stores the value 0

After execute:

```
ORB VAR1 RAM1 VAR1
```

VAR1 stores the value 123712

```
XORB VAR1 RAM1 VAR1
```

First execution will be 123712, if execute next time, VAR1 will be back to 12345. In another word, XORB can toggle the bit.

2.4.12 Example 12, Angle Calculation

From 3.02.16c firmware, angle calculation is supported. In PLC program, users can:

```
SIND 91 VAR1
```

Or

```
COSD 185 VAR2
```

Or

```
TAND 630 VAR3
```

The result for SIND and COSD is x1000, because we can only have integer on this processor. The result for TAND is x100.

2.4.13 Example 13, Non-Blocking Delay

Non-blocking delay is expressed in PLC code as [] next to the operators. The number inside [] is micro-seconds. The [] operation can be on both operators during TST operations. Each input and output and VAR associated with a non-blocking delay timer value. That value is set when I/O state is changed or VAR value being modified. If later PLC instruction using non-blocking delay, that timer value will be referenced. If current time is less than stored timer time plus the delay period, the specified operation will not be performed. Reading value with non-blocking delay will return false if timer value is not meet For example,

```
TSTGT VAR1[1500] IP1[300] RAM2
```

If any of those delay not reached, its result will be FALSE.

For SET VAR1[15000] IP1
 VAR1 will not be set to IP1 value, unless 15000 milliseconds (15seconds) passed.

2.4.14 Example 14, WEBSET to get server reply

WebControl allows PLC call WEBSET to do HTTP GET call to HTTP servers inside another WebControl or other devices, or Apache or IIS servers. The web server CGI code can process that information. The web server can also send back to the WebControl a specially formatted string. When WebControl received that string, it will set an internal variable for user PLC code to reference. Following is an example CGI code from apache server that will set the WebControl WSRPLY in the WebControl. PLC program can base on that reply to turn on or off an I/O bit or take any other action.

Because PLC code does not execute WEBSET call immediately, rather WEBSET is on a scheduler called from queue, user can not expect to get server reply immediately after WEBSET call. The good practice would to check if the WSRPLY value is zero, if that is zero, the server reply has not fetched back yet. Server must return a non-zero value back. If WSRPLY is non-zero, user PLC must read it into another variable and set it to zero, so that it can be used for next WEBSET call. In this sense, if PLC logic wants to get multiple values from server reply, it must issue one call at a time to avoid different WEBSET call return value clashing.

2.4.15 Example 15, Server CGI Handles WEBSET

The code below is for demonstration only, it is written in C on apache server. We do not provide support for writing server CGI code. Please note to get the best result, server CGI code should write back the string as early in the reply as possible. In HTTP server reply processing, server mostly after sending reply will close connection. If the "SET_WC=2147483647" string sending out too late, it could get lost because the connection is closed already. Please test and make sure your server is response fast enough for the WEBSET call.

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
int main(void)
{
  char *data, *remote_mac, *remote_host;
  long m,n;
  FILE *fp;
  char buffer[18] = "\r\nnew get call\r\n";
  printf("%s%c%c\n",
  "Content-Type:text/plain;charset=iso-8859-1",13,10);
  data = getenv("QUERY_STRING");
  remote_mac = getenv("HTTP_USER_AGENT");
```

```

remote_host = getenv("REMOTE_ADDR");
fp = fopen("/tmp/webcontrol.txt", "w+");
fwrite(buffer, 1, strlen(buffer), fp);
if(data != NULL) {
fwrite(data, 1, (unsigned int) strlen(data), fp);
fwrite(buffer, 1, strlen(buffer), fp);
}
if(remote_host != NULL) {
fwrite(remote_host, 1, (unsigned int) strlen(remote_host), fp);
fwrite(buffer, 1, strlen(buffer), fp);
}
if(remote_mac != NULL) {
fwrite(remote_mac, 1, (unsigned int) strlen(remote_mac), fp);
fwrite(buffer, 1, strlen(buffer), fp);
} else
fwrite(buffer, 1, strlen(buffer), fp);
/*****

put your logic here if MAC address not match then do what
You can simply return with an error message
*****/

/*****

Now, you can process the data string send in by WebControl
*****/

printf("to push up to 10 bytes to WebControl SET_WC=-2147483647\n");
printf("close connection\n");
fclose(fp);
return 0;
}

```

2.4.16 Example 16, USB key SAVE and LOAD functions

We now have the load/save user values to the usb pen drive too. Two new PLC instructions are available LOAD and SAVE that can be used by the user to save the values of I/O ID's to the flash drive. They are used like this:

```
LOAD "myval" RAM1
```

to read back saved “myval” to RAM1. Or write to USB pen drive:

```
SAVE “myval” IP2
```

Or

```
LOAD “myval” PWM2
```

to load “myval” to USB drive. The first operand must be a string literal ; this is used as the name of the value. You will see that all of these name value pairs are stored on disk as a xxx.dat file where xxx is the name given by the string literal operand. (file is binary for ease of processing when loading and saving).

Note that these instructions will fail if a USB drive is not attached or the value does not exist on a LOAD. In which case the next instruction is skipped i.e.

```
LOAD “value1” RAM2
CALLSUB dowork          ; this instruction is skipped if the load fails.
GOTO start
```

Similarly:

```
SAVE “value1” RAM2
CALLSUB dowork          ; this instruction is skipped if the save fails.
GOTO start
```

Once again note that the LOAD and SAVE instructions are very slow and will slow down the execution of the PLC program and hog CPU bandwidth so user should use them with care and avoid calling these too often.

2.4.17 Example 17, USB LCD Display and Push Kay functions

The following example shows how to read from the UM216 key stroke and display information to the LCD display through PLC program.

```
START
    PRINT1 "PRESS A KEY"
BEGIN:
    TSTEQ KEYUP 1
    GOTO KUP
    TSTEQ KEYDOWN 1
```

```
GOTO KDOWN
TSTEQ KEYLEFT 1
GOTO KLEFT
TSTEQ KEYRIGHT 1
GOTO KRIGHT
TSTEQ KEYENTER 1
GOTO KENTER
TSTEQ KEYEXIT 1
GOTO KEXIT
PRINT2 ""
GOTO BEGIN

KUP:
  PRINT2 "UP =" "PRESSED"
  GOTO BEGIN

KDOWN:
  PRINT2 "DOWN =" "PRESSED"
  GOTO BEGIN

KLEFT:
  PRINT2 "LEFT =" "PRESSED"
  GOTO BEGIN

KRIGHT:
  PRINT2 "RIGHT =" "PRESSED"
  GOTO BEGIN

KENTER:
  PRINT2 "ENTER =" "PRESSED"
  GOTO BEGIN

KEXIT:
  PRINT2 "EXIT =" "PRESSED"
  GOTO BEGIN
END
```

2.4.18 Example 18, I2C PLC Programming ADS1115

The following example shows how to communicate to a 16 bit ADC chip on I2C bus through PLC program.

```

START
  CALLSUB ADS1115
END

ADS1115:
  I2CWRITE 1 0 144      # I2c start, write address for chip
                        # with addr connected to ground
  I2CWRITE 0 0 1        # configuration register address is 1
  I2CWRITE 0 0 193      # single end AINp = A0, full scale
                        # 6.144V, one shot conversion,
                        # see page 18-19
  I2CWRITE 0 1 131      # 128 sample/s, disable comparator,
  DELAY 10              # wait for conversion done, WC8 stop
                        # write to chip
  I2CWRITE 1 0 144      # I2c starts, write to chip on this
                        # I2c address
  I2CWRITE 0 1 0        # tell ADS1115 we address register 0,
                        # send STOP
  I2CWRITE 1 0 145      # I2c starts, tell chip we will read
  BNZ NO_DEV            # if device exist? not, then do not
                        # read <<---- change
  I2CREAD 0 0 RAM11     # reads MSB byte, notice ADS1115
                        # require ACK, which is zero in ACK
                        # bit
  I2CREAD 0 1 RAM10     # reads lower byte, send stop to tell
                        # ADS1115 no more read
  MUL RAM1L 1872 VAR1   # 1872 is the scale factor for 6.144
                        # full scale reading
  DIV VAR1 10000 VAR5   # divide by 10000 to set value to
                        # 0.001V scale, store in VAR5
  RET

NO_DEV:
  I2CWRITE 1 1 144      # release I2C bus by insert STOP bit
                        # to bus <<---- must
  SET VAR5 0            # ADS1115 not on I2C bus, so set VAR5
                        # to zero
  RET

```

Since firmware 4.02.09, WC32 firmware supports DS1307 I2C RTC in the firmware. When writing PLC program with I2C support, user need to pay attention to make sure if the target I2C device is not on the bus, PLC program needs to send stop bit to release I2C bus for kernel to read and write to RTC chip on the same I2C bus.

2.4.19 Example 19, PING another host in PLC

The following example shows how to communicate to a 16 bit ADC chip on I2C bus through PLC program.

```

START
  PING 1 100 VAR1
END

```

where the first parameter 1 refers to the first Access Limit address in Network tab

The second parameter 100 is for waiting 100x 0.5ms

PING result will be set in 3rd parameter, in the above example, that is VAR1. If the return value is -1, ping failed. Otherwise, the number indicated how many 0.01mS WC32 has been waiting till ICMP reply received

2.4.20 Example 20, Display IP Address on UM216

The following example shows how to display board IP address on the UM216 USB display.

START

PRINT1 "IP ADDRESS"

PRINT2 IPADDR

DELAY 2000

PRINT1 "IP GATEWAY"

PRINT2 IPGATE

DELAY 2000

END

The display will alternate every two seconds to display the board configured, or DHCP assigned IP address and gateway address.

3 WebControl™ PLC FAQ

We include some users frequently asked questions here:

3.1 Login and Configuration

1-1Q: Can you tell me how to connect with Windows Explore? I cannot communicate?

1-1A: If you have DHCP server on your network, please check with your DHCP server log, WebControl is likely obtained an IP address from your DHCP server. Once you find out the IP address assigned by DHCP server, you can use browser to connect to:

`http://what-ever-dhcp-assigned-ip/`
You will see the login screen.

If you don't have DHCP server on your network, WebControl's default IP address is 192.168.1.15. You must change your computer's IP address temporarily to 192.168.1.1, (make sure no other host using that IP address on your network), then from IE browser enter:

`http://192.168.1.15/`
You will see the login screen.

1-2Q: I have problem to setup the clock, it does not work, even I setup my network and DNS server correctly?

1-2A: Please check with your ISP to make sure the DNS server IP address is valid. If you have Linux computer, you can use dig command to make sure that DNS server IP can resolve the ntp.org. Please note that many ISPs restrict the DNS access from outside its own IP address range. If your DNS server IP is not from your ISP, it may not work.

`dig ntp.org @your-dns-server-ip`

1-3Q: What is the default user ID and password, can I change it?

1-3A: The default user ID and password is admin/password, all lower case. User can change both user ID and password.

3.2 Temperature Sensor Support

2-1Q: What is the purpose of "Temp Sensor Config" checkbox in General tab?

2-1A: When checkbox is checked, temp sensor list displays the scanned list from 1-wire bus. When that checkbox is unchecked, temp sensor list is from last configured EEPROM reading back. In this way, if a configured temp sensor lost, the memory from EEPROM will reflect the configuration, thus display fail for that sensor.

2-2Q: How many temp sensor is supported?

2-2A: WebControl™ 32 can simultaneously connect 32 optional DS18B20/DS1822/DS18S20 based digital temperature sensors.

2-3Q: How to read temperature or sensor ROM code from command line in Linux?

2-3A: Use `wget http://webcontrol-ip/gett1.cgi` to read the temp sensor T1, and use

wget http://webcontrol-ip/gett1rc.cgi to read the sensor T1 ROM code.

2-4Q: What can cause my temperature sensor not display correctly?

2-4A: Use solid copper wire for your 1-wire bus, for example, CAT5 cable. Reduce any unnecessary length of the wire. Do not hook up unsupported parts to the 1-wire bus, since they may generate 1-wire signal causing trouble.

2-5Q: I run a long cable between the DS18B20 and WebControl, sensor does not work?

2-5A: According to Maxim-IC, if using a long cable connecting between the sensor and host controller, it may require to add a pull-up resistor 4.7k from 1-wire bus (DQ pin on DS18B20) to the 5V supply near the far end of the 1-wire bus. Please check out [Maxim-IC AppNote148](#). You do not have to add external power, if you do not experience any problem.

3.3 Turn on/off TTL output from another programming language

3-1Q: I want to turn on/off TTL output from Visual Basic, can I do it?

3-1A: You can reference how the browser does it and emulate that in your VB or script. Please make sure to disable login in the "Network Setup" screen. For security purpose, please specify the IP address in the access list, or your application sending encrypted user ID/password in the same HTTP call. Depends on the IP address and which TTL you want to control by programming language, you may refer to these two browser URL lines:

<http://192.168.1.15/api/setttloutput.cgi?output=1&state=1> to turn on,

<http://192.168.1.15/api/setttloutput.cgi?output=1&state=0> to turn off.

and to manually set a VAR value from outside, varid from 1 to 8:

<http://192.168.1.15/api/setvar.cgi?varid=1&value=23456789>

from 3.02.17 firmware, WebControl supports manually set a UROM value from outside, uromid from 1 to 4:

<http://192.168.1.15/api/seturom.cgi?uromid=1&value=23456789>

Command line browser wget can be used to do manually control. The above lines maybe need in double quotes to work.

3.4 Restart the board from http browser

4-1Q: I want to restart the board from HTTP command line, can I do it?

4-1A: Depends on the IP address and which TTL you want to control by programming language, you may refer to these two browser URL lines:

<http://192.168.1.15/api/rebootcgi?start> to reboot.

3.5 Power Supply Requirement

5-1Q: What kind of power required to run WebControl?

5-1A: WebControl 32 **hw rev 4/5/6** hardware can operate from 7.5 to 12VDC power supply. However, when using DC12V, the regulator will be VERY hot. It is recommended to run on 9VDC1A power supply.

WebControl **HW rev 7** changed using a switch IC to regulate the power, it can take from 4.5V to 20VDC. It needs to provide enough current, so that its inverter chip can provide stable power to CPU. Its **Maximum absolute DC power voltage is 26VDC**, any time supply beyond that will cause permanent damage.

Please make sure power supply has good filtering capacitors. Any noise in the power supply could cause problem during execution of WebControl PLC logic. If a relay board is also used with WebControl, please make sure the power supply has enough reverse current to handle the spike during relay switching.