PLC/Modbus API
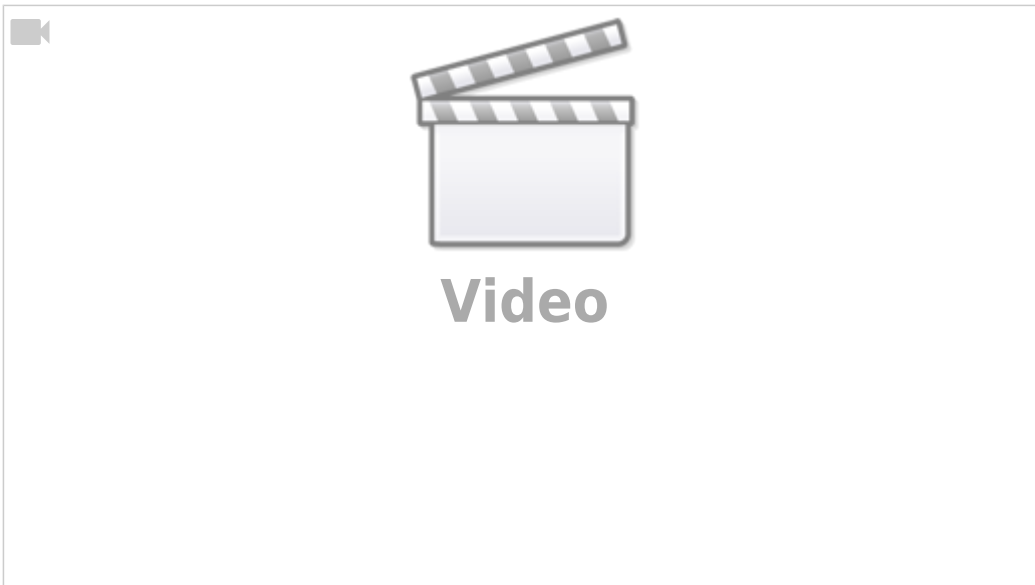

A number of Variables from Global Variable Array are mapped to Modbus interface. It's possible to setup Modbus device ID, communication parameters and speed, and access to device Modbus Registers by writing to this variables.

Mapped variables to access the Modbus devices are listed below:

Variable Address	Description	Function code
60010	**Device ID**. Change Device ID	server command

60011	**ASCII/RTU Switch**. Change Modbus mode.
	`"0" - Modbus/RTU`
	`"1" - Modbus/ASCII`
		server command

60012	**Modbus bitrate**. Writing to this register will change RS485/Modbus speed. Available speeds are
	`1200, 2400, 4800,`
	`9600, 19200, 38400,`
	`57600, 115200`	

60013	**Communication parameters**. Change UART connection parameters: number of bits (8 or 7), parity (none, odd, even), number of stop bits (1, 2). Data comes in 3 low nibbles. The lowest is stop bits, then parity, then number of bits. Example:
	`0x801=8,N,1`
	`0x712=7,O,2`
	`0x822=8,E,2`	

60019	**Register Value**. Writing to register will latch the value in shadow register. Value from shadow register will be used	
60020	**Read Register Address**. Writing to register will latch **Address to read** in shadow register	
60030	**Write Register**. Writing to register will send value from shadow register to Modbus devive to address given in written value on **write** operation	16

Variable Address	Description	Function code
60031	**Read Register**. Read from this register will send read inquiry to Modbus device (PLC controller will be in Sleep till Register value received from Modbus device). Writing to this register will send ready inquiry to Modbus device. The value written is used as Register address to read	3
60035	**Write multiple coils**. Low 16 bits of the value indicates the address of the first coil should be written. The high byte of the value (value»24) indicates number of coils to write. The value latched in 60019 register will be sent to the device.	15
60037	**Write single register**. Write single register indicates address of the holding register and the new value of the register. The response, similarly, is the address of the register and the new value.	6
60038	**Write single coil**. Requests the 16-bit address of the coil, and the value to write (0 for OFF, FF00 for ON)	5
60039	**Read multiple coils**. This will request the address of the first coil to read and the number of coils to read. The Modbus device will respond with the number of bytes to follow and the coil input values	1
60060	**Input register 0**	
60091	**Input register 32**	

PLC code examples

```
main()
{
  gvarset (60010,40);     //Set Device ID (40)
  gvarset (60011,1);      //Set Modbus ASCII
  gvarset (60012,9600);   //Set bitrate 9600bps
  gvarset (60013,0x801);  //Set communication parameters 8,N,1
  gvarset (60019,12345);  //Set Value to write (12345)
  gvarset (60030,0x1001); //Write the Value (12345) to Register #0x1001
  gvarset (60035, 0x081001);//Write the value (12345) to register #0x1001
  gvarset (60037,0x64);   //Send value to address

  exit(99);
};
```

Switching the Modbus Device ID:

```
#include pins.h

main()
{

gvarset(60010,0); //addressed to all devices (0)
gvarset(60019,34); //the device ID will be set to 34 in this case
gvarset(60037,0x64); //sends the new device ID to the Modbus device

exit(99);
};
```

Below is a more realistic PLC example which involves a WP8028ADAM Modbus device (capable of reading/writing):

```
#include pins.h

main()
{
  gvarset (60010,34);     //Set Device ID (40)
  gvarset (60011,0);      //Set Modbus RTU
  gvarset (60012,9600);   //Set bitrate 9600bps
  gvarset (60013,0x801);  //Set communication parameters 8,N,1


do{
timer++;

if ((timer&0x7f)==0) //how often the commands will be sent to the Modbus
device
{
  read_address=0;
  gvarset(60020,read_address); //read register address

  in=gvarget(60039); //read multiple coils

  gvarset (60019,in); //latches the values in the shadow register
  a=(8<<24)+0; //0 is the shift value here - can easily shift the input by
writing a different number
  gvarset (60035, a);//Write the value
};

}while(1);

exit(99); //normal exit

};
```

Note that the commands to read multiple coils (the *in* variable) will not work for a Modbus device that can only write (outputs only). Similarly, the write commands will not work on a Modbus device with inputs only, such as the WP8026ADAM. Below is a list of available Modbus devices and their capabilities:

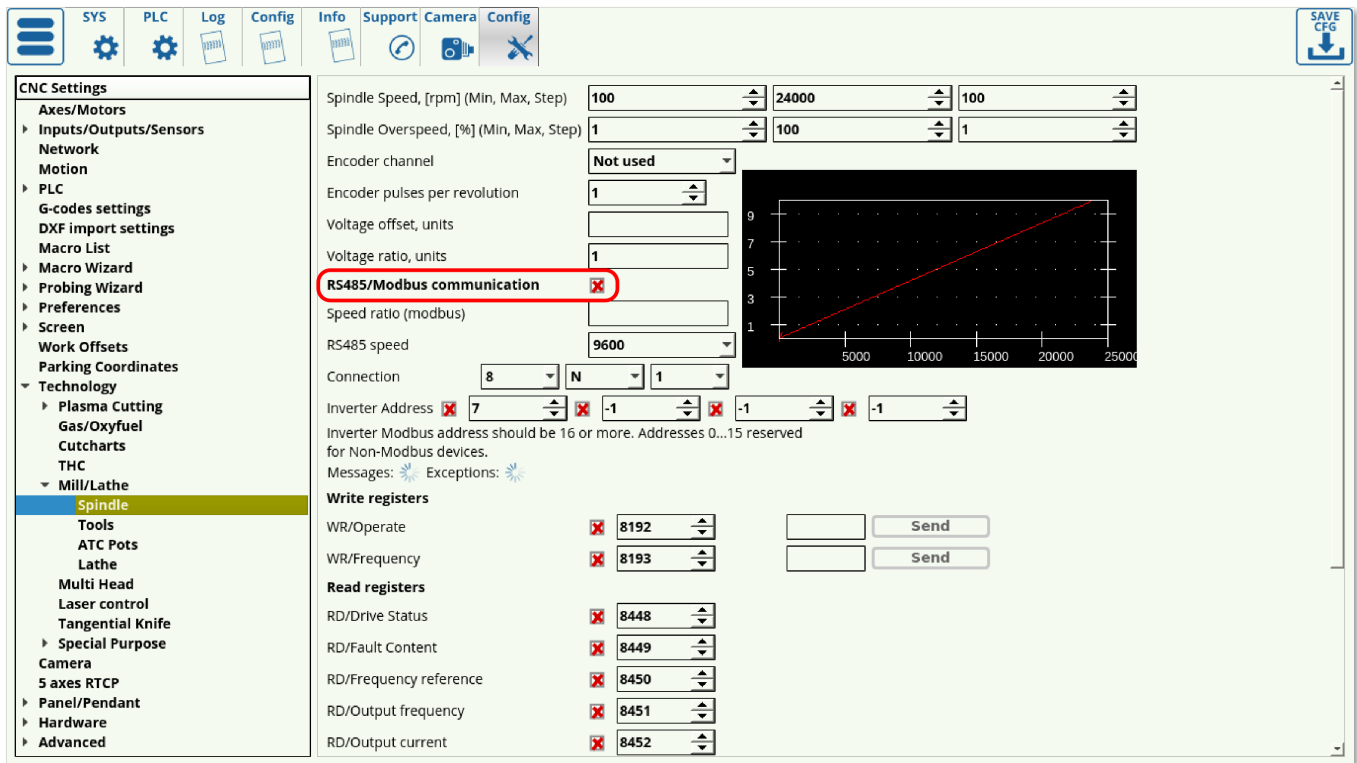| Device	Description
WP8028ADAM	8 digital inputs, 8 digital outputs
WP8027ADAM	16 digital outputs, 0 inputs (write-only)
WP8026ADAM	16 digital inputs, 0 outputs (read-only)
WP8025ADAM	8 relay outputs (normally open)
WP9038ADAM	6 analog inputs, 4 digital inputs, 4 digital outputs. The digital inputs/outputs work similarly to the WP8028

Modbus Scheduler in myCNC has 4 messages queue. Up to 4 registers can be written immediately from PLC procedure. Modbus manager will send it one-by-one and will be waiting a reply from Modbus

device after each message.

Modbus manager will repeat the message to device up to 4 times in case no reply is received within 250ms.

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Important!
If the Modbus device is controlled directly from the PLC procedure,
"RS485/Modbus communication"
checkbox should be UNCHECKED in Settings > Config > Technology > Mill/Lathe
> Spindle
configuration dialog
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