

An Implementation of Database on LNC Controller

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Introduction

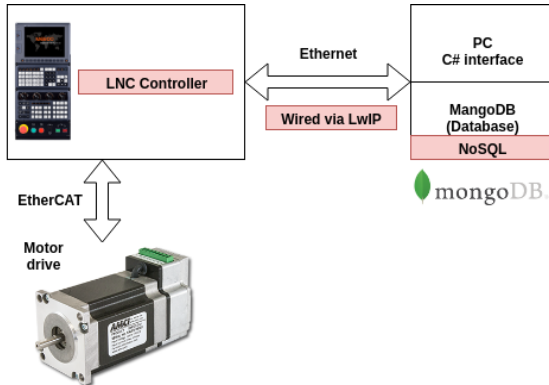


Figure 1: Framwork of experiment.

Primary Scenario

Outline of experiment environment

- ▶ Setting up GUI for controller in C# (provided by LNC Tech.)
- ▶ Connecting to controller via wired Ethernet.
- ▶ Uploading G-code for controller in C# via File Transfer Protocol.
- ▶ Starting up motor drive by running uploaded G-code.
- ▶ Receiving encoder data and sending to server (.py) via socket.
- ▶ Listening to any client to be connected.
- ▶ Creating MongoClient, connecting to server and receiving data simultaneously.
- ▶ Storing data into database and collection.

Hardware

LNC controller



- ▶ 10.4" TFT LCD.
- ▶ Control 9+6 axis.
- ▶ Support MII/RTEX/ EtherCAT communication protocol.
- ▶ High-speed, high-precision and wiring saving.
- ▶ Provides interpolations to satisfy the requirements of high level of turn-milling.
- ▶ Various intelligent functions.
- ▶ Particle-button and support USB drive.

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A mechanism for allowing communication between processes where running on same/different computers connected on a network.



Widely used applications:

- ▶ Instant messaging and chat.
- ▶ Real-time analytics by pushing data to clients that get represented as real-time counters, charts or log.
- ▶ Documentation collaboration.

Software

MongoDB



- ▶ Easy to install and set up.
- ▶ A BSON (a JSON-like format) to store data.
- ▶ Easy to map the document objects to application code.
- ▶ Highly scalable and available, and includes support for out-of-the-box replication.
- ▶ Support MapReduce operations for condensing a large volume of data into useful aggregated results.
- ▶ Free and open source.

Software

MongoDB - NoSQL

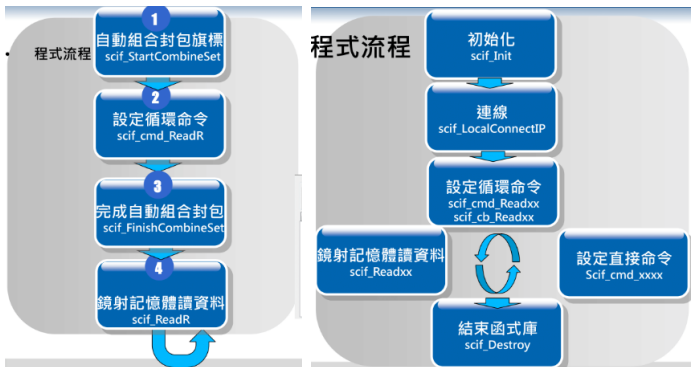
- ▶ Flexible data models (Schema Free)
 - ▶ NoSQL databases more relaxed in structure of data
- ▶ Clusters of cheap commodity servers to manage the data and transaction volumes
- ▶ NoSQL are still implementing their basic feature set

Why MongoDB?

- ▶ Simple queries
- ▶ Functionality provided applicable to most web applications
- ▶ Easy and fast integration of data
- ▶ Not well suited for heavy and complex transactions systems

Ethernet Connection

TCPIP connection between LNC controller to PC.



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Data Extraction

- ▶ Extract data (eg. coordinates, loading, error) stored in R values.
- ▶ Get polling of the mirror memory for important R values.

```
private void ReadPos()
{
    for (int i = 0; i < 6; i++)
    {
        Pos_MAC[i] = scif_dll.scif_ReadR(scif_dll.R_AXIS_R_INT_MACHINE_POS + Convert.ToInt32(i));
        Pos_ABS[i] = scif_dll.scif_ReadR(scif_dll.R_AXIS_R_INT_POS_ABSOLUTE + Convert.ToInt32(i));
        Load[i] = scif_dll.scif_ReadR(scif_dll.R_LOAD + Convert.ToInt32(i));
    }
}
```

```
public void FormCoorSetPolling()
{
    scif_dll.scif_cmd_ClearAll(scif_dll.SC_POLLING_CMD, ServerIdx);
    scif_dll.scif_StartCombineSet(ServerIdx); //自動組合封包旗標
    scif_dll.scif_cmd_ReadR(scif_dll.SC_POLLING_CMD, ServerIdx, scif_dll.R_AXIS_R_INT_MACHINE_POS, 6); //機械座標
    scif_dll.scif_cmd_ReadR(scif_dll.SC_POLLING_CMD, ServerIdx, scif_dll.R_AXIS_R_INT_POS_ABSOLUTE, 6); //程式座標
    scif_dll.scif_cmd_ReadR(scif_dll.SC_POLLING_CMD, ServerIdx, scif_dll.R_LOAD, 6); //loading
}
```

Data Extraction

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Connection	System info sync	Coord. var. sync	Ftp檔案傳輸	程式監視	
Mechanical Coord.		Absolute Coord.		Machining	
X	0	X	0	檔名	
Y	0	Y	0	F	0
Z	0	Z	0	M	0
A	0	A	0	S	0
B	0	B	0	T	0
C	0	C	0		

Controller

- ▶ Using G-code to control the hardware
- ▶ Using Ftp file transmission to upload G-code



Machining Process

- ▶ Similar to typical factory application.
- ▶ G-code allows users to select machining process.
- ▶ Two R Values for G-code
 - ▶ $\Phi R290100$: Return to **0** when machining ends, set to **1** to start working
 - ▶ $\Phi R290101$: Set **0** to go straight path to desired points; **1** to go curve path; **2** to stop machining

R編號	R內容
1	0

System resource

Initial Position

R個數

Synchronous

Package ID	Execute Status
Status	Status

System resource

Write value

Write in

Data Transmission

- ▶ LNC controller API function to Read R register value from Memory.
- ▶ **Socket** client(TCP) is created in same C# program.
- ▶ Socket client connects to local host (127.0.0.1).
- ▶ Waiting for server's acceptance/response.
- ▶ Sending Position and Payload data to socket server every second counts.

Data Transmission

- ▶ Create a python socket server and **listen** to any connection.
- ▶ Socket server **connects** to local host (127.0.0.1).
- ▶ Receive (**recv**) data from client.
- ▶ **PyMongoClient** gets data from server also on local host.
- ▶ Database is created simultaneously.

Demo

Primary Scenario Demo



Application idea

Initially, we use R value of **Payload** as our main focus of optimization control. Therefore, the acceleration/deceleration of escalators reminds us of one of the key of the motion is depending on the magnitude of payload it endures.

As to realize this scenario, we've extended the basic scenario futhermore.

Application Scenario

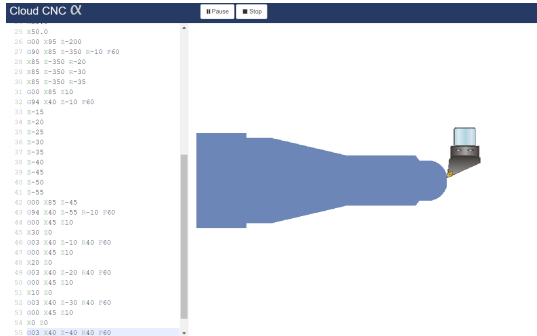
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- ▶ Connecting to controller via wired Ethernet.
- ▶ Uploading G-code for controller in C# via File Transfer Protocol.
 - ▶ G-code reads loading R values and controls rotating speed.
- ▶ Starting up motor drive by running uploaded G-code.
- ▶ Receiving encoder (& payload) data and sending to server (.py) via socket.
- ▶ Listening to any client to be connected.
- ▶ Creating MongoClient, connecting to server and receiving data simultaneously.
 - ▶ Dynamically updating plot in matplotlib.
- ▶ Storing data into database and collection.
 - ▶ Find data from collection w/ or w/o query.

G-code Payload R values

G-code simulation.

```
W_REG[290100,0]
#2=0
WHILE[1]
  #1=R_REG[250096]

  IF[#1>10]
    #2=#2+15
    G01 X#2 Y#2 F8000.000
  ELSE
    #2=#2+0.5
    G01 X#2 Y#2 F2500.000
  END_IF
END_WHILE
M30;
```



Dynamically Updating Plot

Find Data

From another point of view, once the database is built, other clients can access to the database and look for data. For our case, we hope that user can find data by giving some information of time, and investigate the process situation during that time interval.

```
In [3]: import time
import pymongo
import struct
from struct import unpack
from datetime import datetime
import pandas as pd

In [4]: connection = pymongo.MongoClient("mongodb://localhost:27017")

database = connection['my_database']
collection_ABS = database['my_collection_ABS']
collection_MAC = database['my_collection_MAC']

In [20]: condition = {'timestamp': {'$gt':datetime(2019, 6, 17, 17, 0, 0).strftime('%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S')}}

In [19]: cursor = collection_ABS.find(condition)
dataFrame = pd.DataFrame(list(cursor))
dataFrame

Out[19]:
```

	ABS_X	ABS_Y	_id	timestamp
0	20861	20861	5d076cd3f029e17e8bb825ce	2019-06-17 18:34:59
1	80774	80774	5d076cd44039c17a9bb825d4	2019-06-17 18:35:00

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```
In [15]: condition = {'timestamp': {'$gt': datetime(2019, 6, 17, 18, 35, 33).strftime('%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S')}}
```

```
In [16]: cursor = collection_ABS.find(condition)
dataFrame = pd.DataFrame(list(cursor))
dataFrame
```

Out[16]:

	ABS_X	ABS_Y	_id	timestamp
0	1547941	1547941	5d076cf6f029e17e8bb82634	2019-06-17 18:35:34
1	1558504	1558504	5d076cf7f029e17e8bb82637	2019-06-17 18:35:35

Demo

Application Scenario Demo



Discussions

- ▶ We use python for database operation and C# for Controller data synchronization. How to implement Inter Program Communication(IPC)?
 - ▶ By Socket TCP, we send dataFrame from C# interface to python server and bind local Host as IP address.
- ▶ Simulating the process⁵ can help users more easily monitor the entire machining process.
- ▶ Socket sends data stream in Bytes array. Thus, we take advantages of Concept of Union (The same memory address) and transform **Int** to **Bytes** array (1 Int = 4 Bytes in C#). While receiver decodes Bytes array back into Int.

⁵<https://cnc-lathe-simulator.appspot.com/>

Conclusion

Through C# GUI to give commands to controller, and store data into the database at the same time is achievable. Data visualization and its noSQL structure can better improve data storage and management. Those applications can greatly optimize control in different scenarios.

Thank you! Any Question?