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TwinCAT PLC Lib: TcMath



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1 Foreword

1.1 Notes on the documentation

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Serious risk of injury!

Failure to follow the safety instructions associated with this symbol directly endangers the life and health of persons.

WARNING

Risk of injury!

Failure to follow the safety instructions associated with this symbol endangers the life and health of persons.

CAUTION

Personal injuries!

Failure to follow the safety instructions associated with this symbol can lead to injuries to persons.

NOTE

Damage to the environment or devices

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2 Overview

The TcMath.lib PLC library contains extended mathematical functions for TwinCAT PLC. The library is supplied together with TwinCAT (from version 2.9 Build 1000).

Functions

FLOOR [▶ 9]	The FLOOR function determines a integral value from a floating point number that is a fraction smaller than or equal that number.	
FRAC [▶ 10]	The FRAC function determines the decimal component of a floating point number.	
LMOD [▶ 12]	The LMOD function carries out a modulo division and returns the signed residual.	
LTRUNC [▶ 14]	The LTRUNC function determines the integral component of a floating point number.	
MODABS [▶ 15]	The MODABS function carries out a modulo division and determines the unsigned modulo value within the modulo range.	
MODTURNS [▶ 16]	The MODTURNS function carries out a modulo division and determines the signed integral component.	
F_GetVersionTcMath [▶ 17]	Returns the library version information	

3 FLOOR



The FLOOR function determines a integral value from a floating point number that is a fraction smaller than or equal that number. The resulting number is of type LREAL and is therefore not limited to the value range of integer variables.

Examples

FLOOR(2.8) = 2

FLOOR(-2.8) = -3

Similar functions: TRUNC [[▶ 13](#)], LTRUNC [[▶ 14](#)]



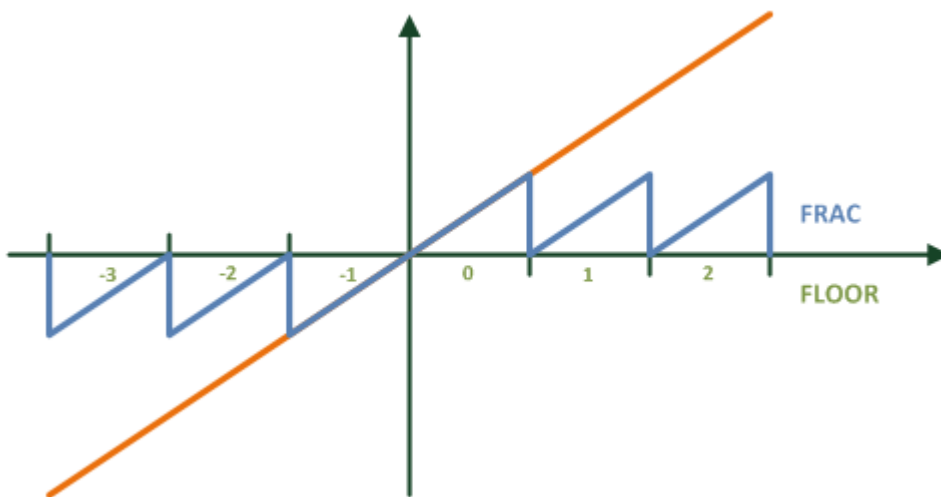
Unlike FLOOR, the LTRUNC function always determines the integral part of a number. For positive values, this number is smaller than or equal the input parameter, for negative values it is greater than or equal the input parameter.

FUNCTION FLOOR : LREAL

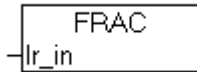
```
VAR_INPUT
    lr_in : LREAL;
END_VAR
```

lr_in : Function parameters of type LREAL

Development environment	Target system type	PLC libraries to be linked
TwinCAT v2.9.0 build 1000 onwards	PC or CX (x86)	TcMath.Lib
TwinCAT v2.10.0 Build >= 1301	CX (ARM)	



4 FRAC



The FRAC function determines the decimal component of a floating point number.

Examples

```
FRAC(2.8) = 0.8
```

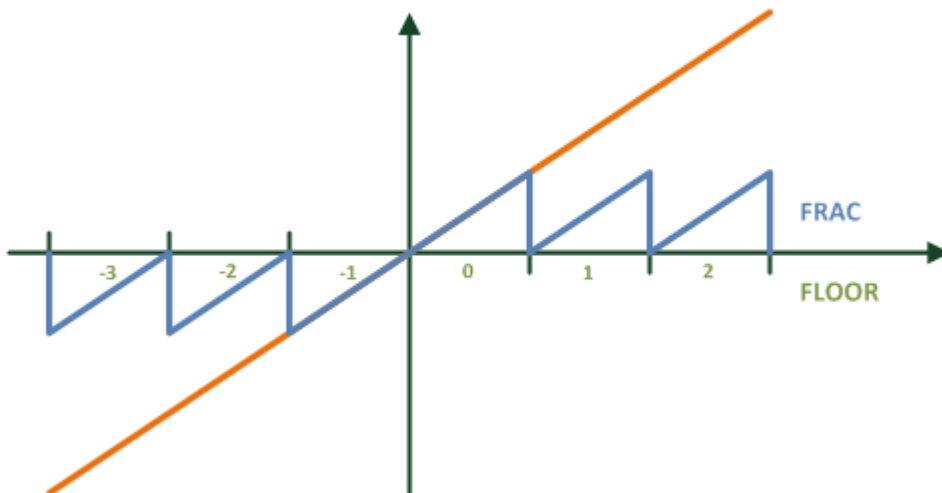
```
FRAC(-2.8) = -0.8
```

FUNCTION FRAC : LREAL

```
VAR_INPUT
    lr_in : LREAL;
END_VAR
```

lr_in : Function parameters of type LREAL

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5 MOD

Modulo Division of one variable by another of the types: BYTE, WORD, DWORD, SINT, USINT, INT, UINT, DINT and UDINT. The result of this function will be the remainder of the division. This result will be a whole number.

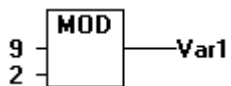
Example in IL:

```
LD 9
MOD 2
ST var1 (* Result is 1 *)
```

Example in ST:

```
var1 := 9 MOD 2;
```

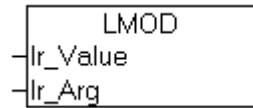
Example in FBD:



Similar Functions

[LMOD](#) | [12](#)

6 LMOD



The LMOD function carries out a modulo division and returns the signed residual.

Examples

`LMOD(400.56, 360) = 40.56`

`LMOD(-400.56, 360) = -40.56`

Similar functions: [MOD \[▶ 11\]](#), [MODABS \[▶ 15\]](#)



- Unlike MOD, the LMOD function operates with floating point variables and determines non-integer residuals.
- In the context of NC axes, modulo values are usually used unsigned. These can be calculated with the MODABS function.

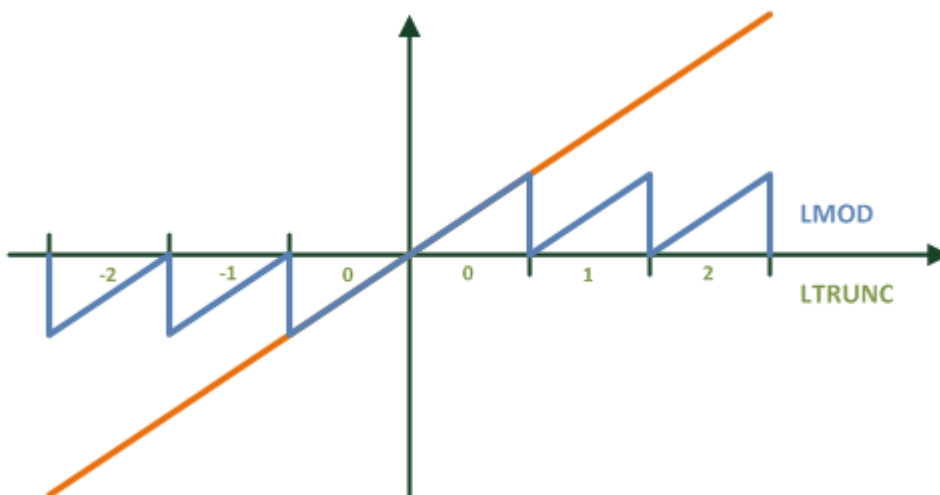
FUNCTION LMOD : LREAL

```
VAR_INPUT
    lr_Value : LREAL;
    lr_Arg   : LREAL;
END_VAR
```

lr_Value : Input value

lr_Arg : Modulo range

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7 TRUNC



Converting from REAL to INT. The whole number portion of the value will be used. When you perform a type conversion from a larger to a smaller type, you risk losing some information.

Examples in ST:

```
i:=TRUNC(1.9); (* Result is 1 *)
```

```
i:=TRUNC(-1.4); (* Result is -1 *)
```

Example in IL:

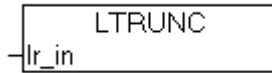
```
LD 2.7  
TRUNC  
GE %MW8
```

Similar Functions

[LTRUNC \[► 14\]](#)

[FLOOR \[► 9\]](#)

8 LTRUNC



The LTRUNC function determines the integral component of a floating point number.

Examples

```
LTRUNC (2.8) = 2
```

```
LTRUNC (-2.8) = -2
```

Similar functions: [TRUNC](#) [► 13], [FLOOR](#) [► 9]



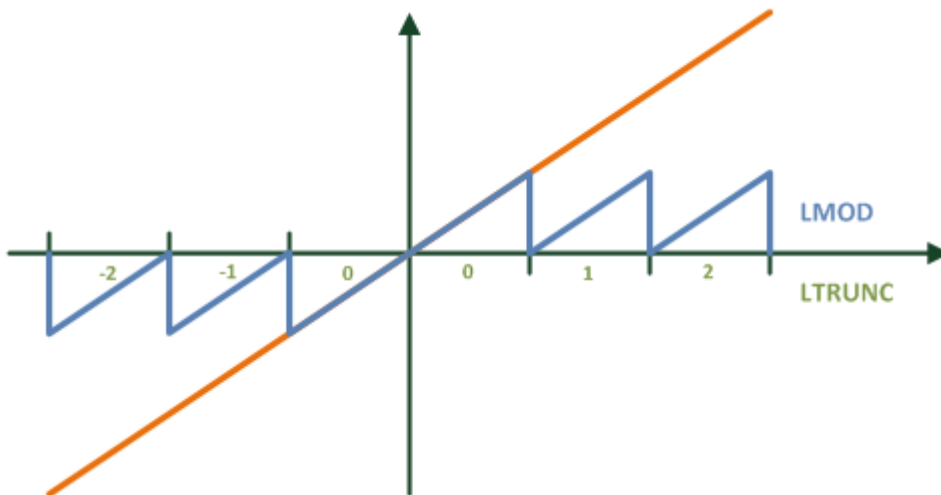
Unlike TRUNC, the result from LTRUNC is of type LREAL and is therefore not limited to the value range of integer variables.

FUNCTION LTRUNC : LREAL

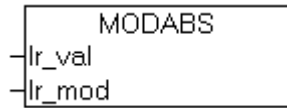
```
VAR_INPUT
  lr_in : LREAL;
END_VAR
```

lr_in : Function parameters of type LREAL

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9 MODABS



The MODABS function carries out a modulo division and determines the unsigned modulo value within the modulo range.

Examples

```
MODABS( 400.56, 360) = 40.56
```

```
MODABS( -400.56, 360) = 319,44
```

Similar functions: [MOD \[▶ 11\]](#), [LMOD \[▶ 12\]](#)



The MODABS function can be used to calculate the modulo set position of an NC axis from its absolute set position.

```
ModuloSetPosition := MODABS( NcToPlc.fPosSoll, 360 );
```

FUNCTION MODABS : LREAL

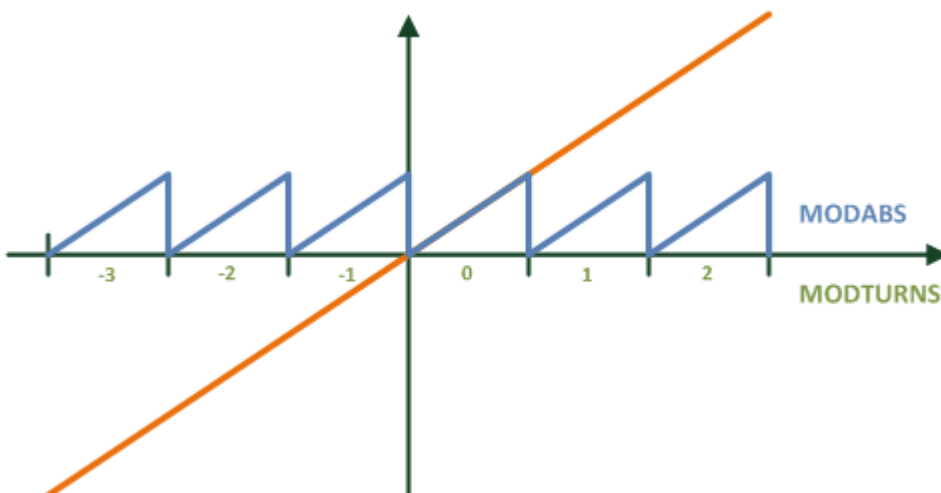
```

VAR_INPUT
    lr_val : LREAL;
    lr_mod : LREAL;
END_VAR
    
```

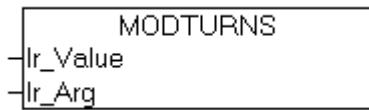
lr_val : Input value

lr_mod : Modulo range

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10 MODTURNS



The MODTURNS function carries out a modulo division and determines the signed integral component (modulo periods, modulo rotations).

Examples

MODTURNS (800.56, 360) = 2

MODTURNS (-400.56, 360) = -2



The MODTURNS function can be used to calculate the number of modulo rotations of an NC axis from its absolute set position.

```
ModuloSetTurns := MODTURNS ( NcToPlc.fPosSoll, 360 );
```

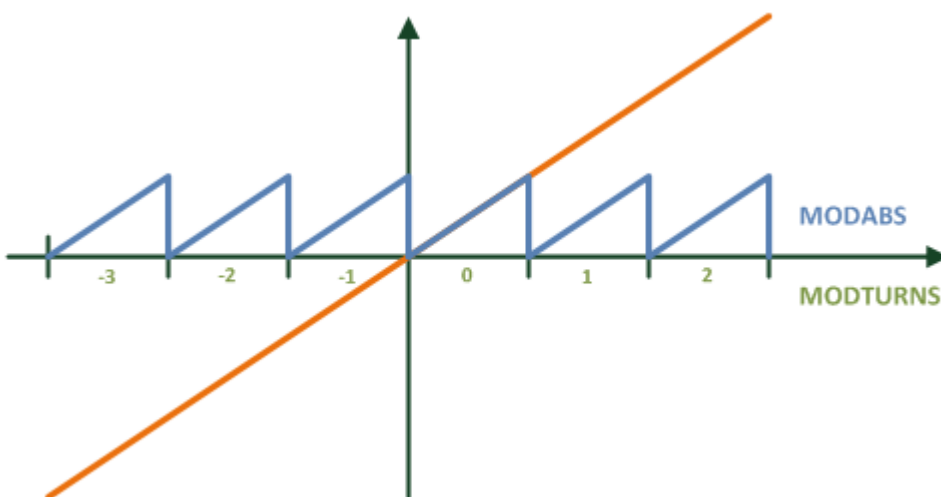
FUNCTION MODTURNS : LREAL

```
VAR_INPUT
    lr_Value : LREAL;
    lr_Arg   : LREAL;
END_VAR
```

lr_Value : Input value

lr_Arg : Modulo range

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11 F_GetVersionTcMath

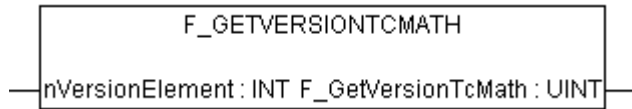


Fig. 1: F_GetVersionTcMath

The function returns library version info.

FUNCTION F_GetVersionTcMath : UINT

```

VAR_INPUT
    nVersionElement : INT;
END_VAR
  
```

nVersionElement : Version parameter:

- 1 : major number;
- 2 : minor number;
- 3 : revision number;

Development environment	Target system type	PLC libraries to include
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