



ClockSync TIME (RFC 868) v9 Module Application Guide






Description

This utility allows a Crestron 2-series processor to synchronize its internal clock with a public NIST Internet time server using an implementation of the DAYTIME protocol. This is similar in theory and operation to the wide variety of Atomic Clock programs available for Windows and other operating systems.

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Compatibility			Processor Requirements	
 2-Series Compatible	 NOT CNMSX Compatible	 NOT System Builder Compatible	 Ethernet REQUIRED	 Compact Flash NOT NEEDED

Module Application

This utility replaces the extended clock driver. Do not place any other clock driver in the program. This utility sets both the date and time on the processor to match that sent by the server. The time will be adjusted every morning at 2am. You may also manually force a poll by pulsing the "[poll_time]" input.

NOTE: Due to limitations of the Network Time Protocol, this module will stop working on 7-February-2036. ControlWorks will be unable to support this module after that date.

The Crestron processor should be running cuz 3.137 or higher.

DNS servers must be declared on the Crestron processor. Use the Viewport command **ADDNns** or the menu under Functions -> Set Up Control System IP Information -> Advanced. For best results, use the DNS servers provided by the ISP of the connection you are trying to monitor. If these are unavailable, you can use 216.175.203.18 and 216.175.203.27, which were used in the test and debug process of this module.

SETUP INSTRUCTIONS:

Create TCP/IP connections to time-a.nist.gov and utcnist.colorado.edu, or the proper local time server(s). All connections should be on TCP port 37d. Make connections as listed below and enjoy.

Signal and Parameter Descriptions

Bracketed signals such as "[signal_name]" are optional signals

DIGITAL INPUTS

[poll_time] pulse to force poll. Optional, since polling is automated for 2am.

ANALOG INPUTS

This module does not utilize any analog inputs

SERIAL INPUTS

time_server1_rx\$ tie to rx\$ of the primary UDP socket
time_server2_rx\$ tie to rx\$ of the secondary UDP socket. Optional and can be omitted if only one time server is desired.

DIGITAL OUTPUTS

[time_set_success] Optional. Pulsed when the time is successfully set from either time server
[time_set_failure] Optional. Pulsed when the time could not be successfully set using either time server.
time_server1_connect Connect to the enable input of the primary UDP socket
[time_server2_connect] Optional. Connect to the enable input of the secondary UDP socket
[in_dst] optional, high when in DST

ANALOG OUTPUTS

This module does not utilize any analog outputs.

SERIAL OUTPUTS

[time_module_status\$] Optional. Provides text feedback about the status of the module.
time_server1_tx\$ Tie to tx\$ of the primary UDP socket
[time_server2_tx\$] Optional. Tie to tx\$ of the secondary UDP socket
[tod\$] output of extended clock driver

PARAMETERS

DST same as clock2, as follows:
..... 0d No DST
..... 1d U.S.
..... 2d Southern Hemisphere
..... 3d Same as 2d
..... 4d European Union
..... 5d Egypt

uct offset signed value indicating number of time zones off from GMT (i.e. Eastern US is -5d, Central US is -6d)

dwell unsigned value indicating the amount of time that the module should wait before rolling over to the next time server or declaring failure. If this time expires while trying server #1, server #2 will be tried. If the time expires while trying server #2, the [time_set_failure] output will be pulsed

Support

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Before calling for support, please ensure that you have loaded and tested operation using the included demonstration program and touchpanel(s) to ensure that you understand the correct operation of the module. It may be difficult for ControlWorks to provide support until the demonstration program is loaded.

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Distribution Package Contents

The distribution package for this module should include:

ClockSync TIME (RFC868) v9 help.pdf	This help file
ControlWorks ClockSync TIME (RFC868) v9.UMC.....	Crestron user module to insert in program
RFC868_time_parser.usp.....	Simpl+ for use with TIME module
RFC868_time_parser.ush.....	Simpl+ for use with TIME module
ControlWorks ClockSync Time (RFC868) v9 demo.smw ..	Example program (PRO2)

Revision History

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Corrected additional Daylight Saving Time Issue (in TIME and SNTP modules only; no change to DAYTIME module)

lincoln@controlworks.com 2006.01.31

Implemented revised Test DNS Logic

V8 lincoln@controlworks.com 2005.11.02

Corrected Daylight Saving Time issue

V7 lincoln@controlworks.com 2005.10.11

Initial Release of the TIME Version.

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