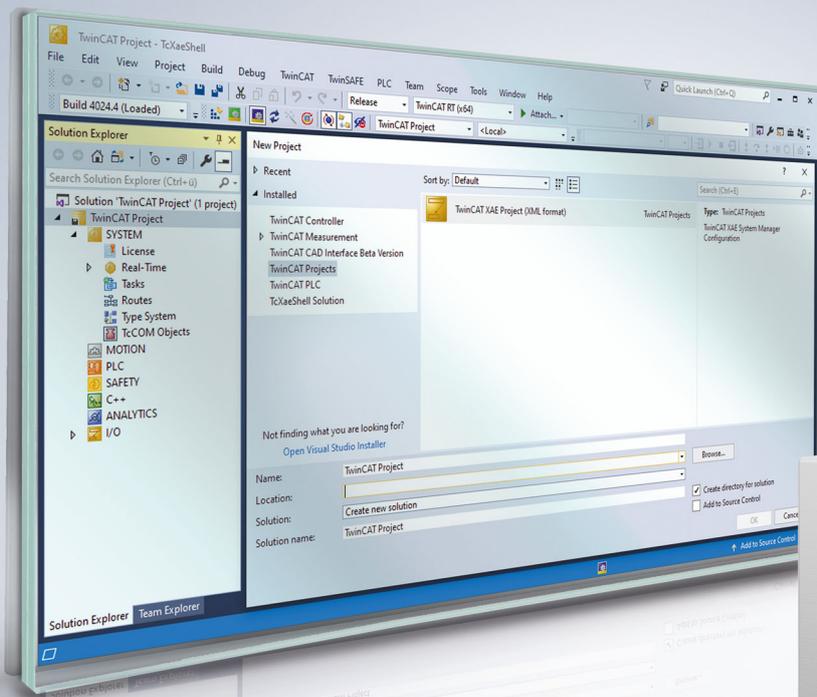


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1 Overview

Task

The aim here is to split CNC functions requiring intensive calculation times among separate CPU cores with multicore processors.

Possible applications

Individual decoding processes and web interpolators can be split among different CPU cores in a multi-channel machine configuration.



This function is available as of CNC Build V3.1.3077

Parameterisation

Parameterisation takes place in the TwinCAT development environment.

Mandatory note on references to other documents

For the sake of clarity, links to other documents and parameters are abbreviated, e.g. [PROG] for the Programming Manual or P-AXIS-00001 for an axis parameter.

For technical reasons, these links only function in the Online Help (HTML5, CHM) but not in pdf files since pdfs do not support cross-linking.

2 Description

Structural description of a multi-channel CNC

A CNC can be designed for several NC channels with additional single-axis interpolators.

The processing of an NC program can be executed in each channel. A group of axes moved together is used for this.

A single-axis interpolator can move a single axis, e.g, by a PLC command.

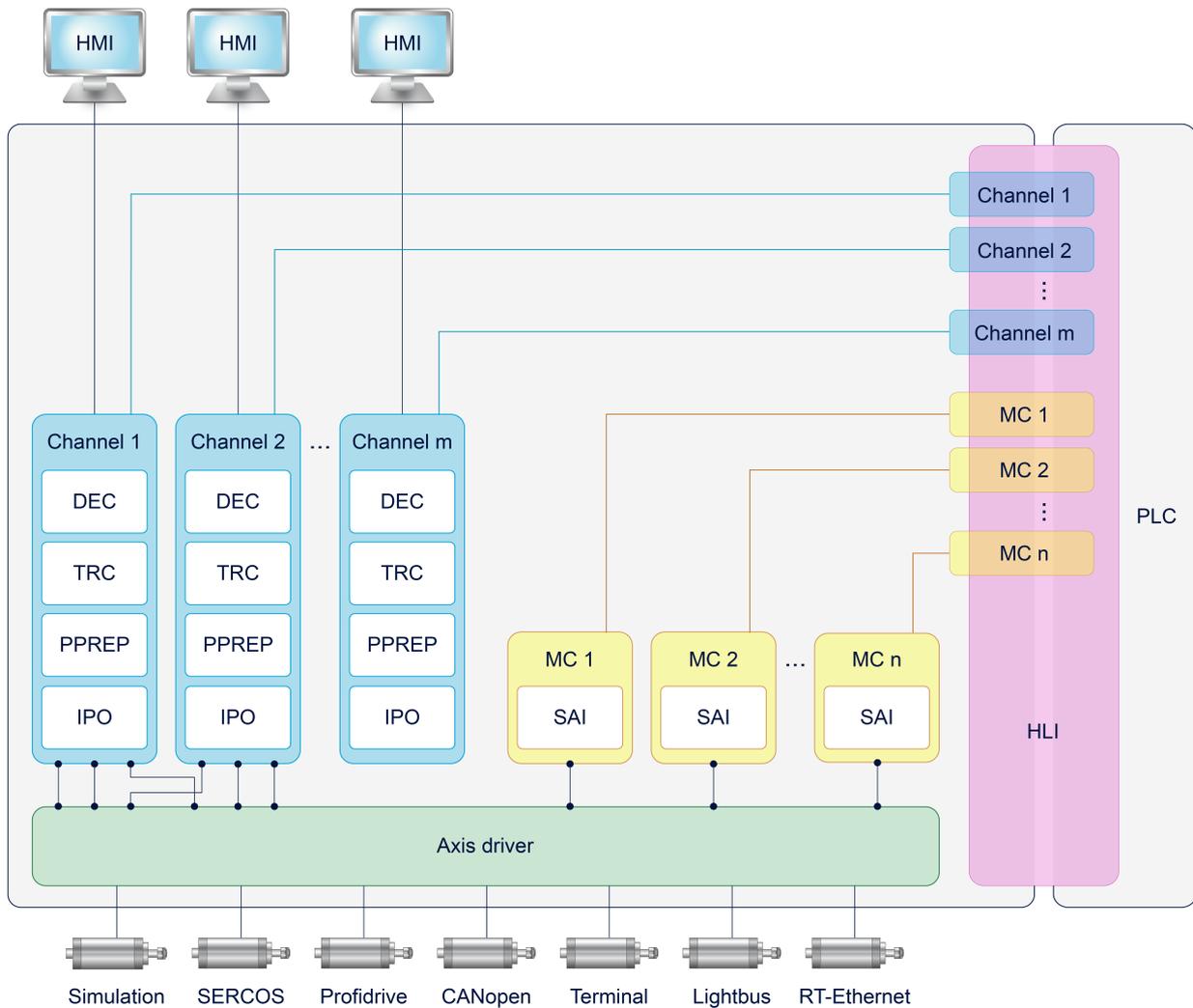


Fig. 1: Structure of a multi-channel CNC

2.1 Standard configuration of CNC tasks

By default, the CNC consists of 3 tasks which can be implemented in a real-time operating system.

- COM task: Driver supplying display values for a user interface.
- SDA task: Consists of the decoder, calculation of tool radius compensation and interpolation preparation (DEC, TRC, PPREP).
- GEO task: Executes the actual cycle-synchronous interpolation, i.e. generates the cyclic axis command values and outputs to the drives.

Depending on the CNC application, the CNC tasks can be prioritised differently and assigned with corresponding cycle times.

Below are examples of several criteria that affect the tasks:

- The COM task affects the transfer rate of objects for the user interface and can be adapted depending on the response time of the display.
- It is recommended to adjust the SDA task for HSC machining which involves a high volume of short motion information. It is advisable to select a short cycle time for the SDA task (decoder) in order to supply the interpolation with a sufficient number of motion blocks and achieve the required programmed velocity (data throughput, block cycle time).
- In general, the GEO task must run synchronously with the bus cycle time so that the drive receives a new command position in each cycle.

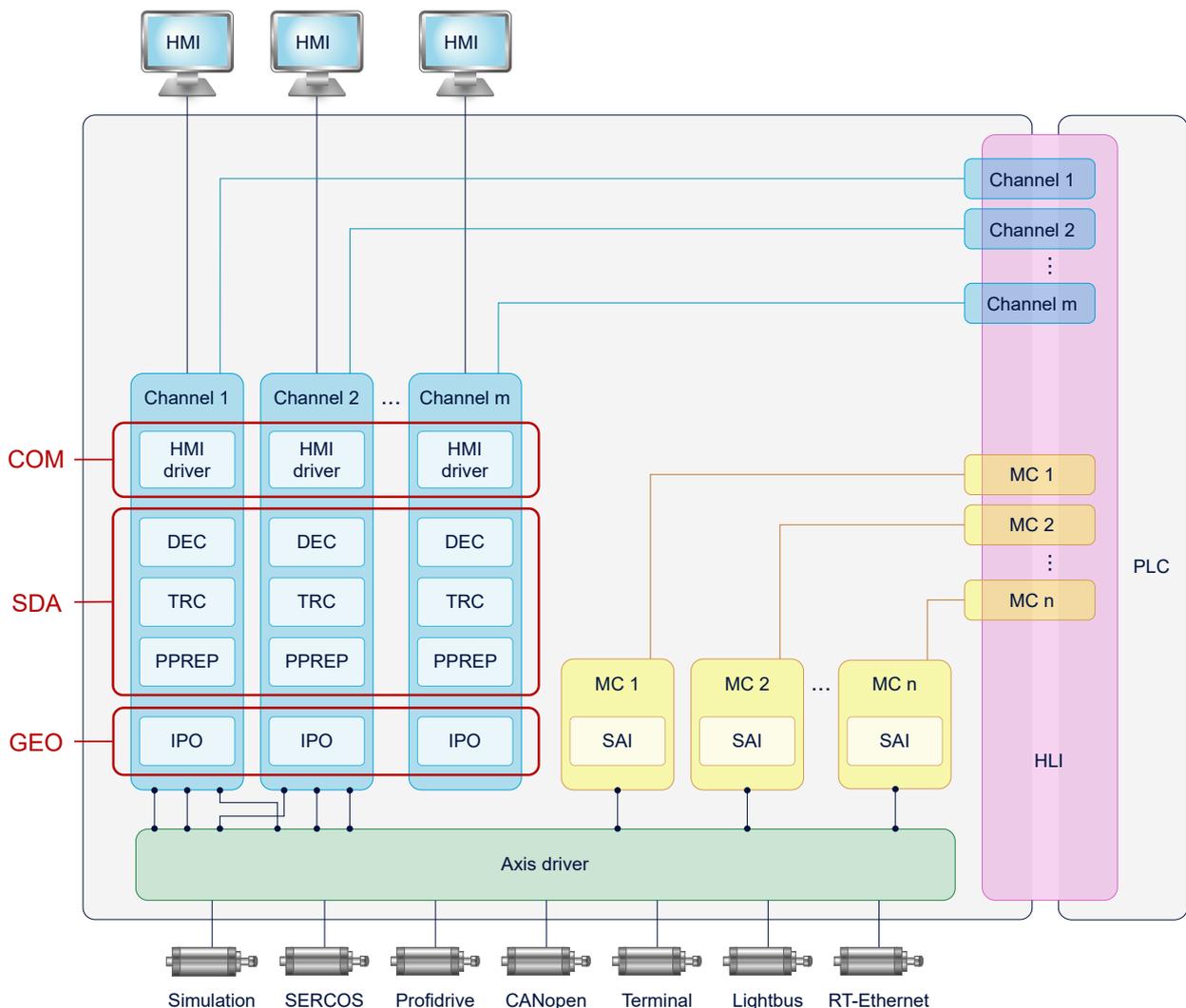


Fig. 2: Standard tasks of a multi-channel CNC

2.2 Configuration of GEO tasks

Standard task distribution of a multi-channel configuration

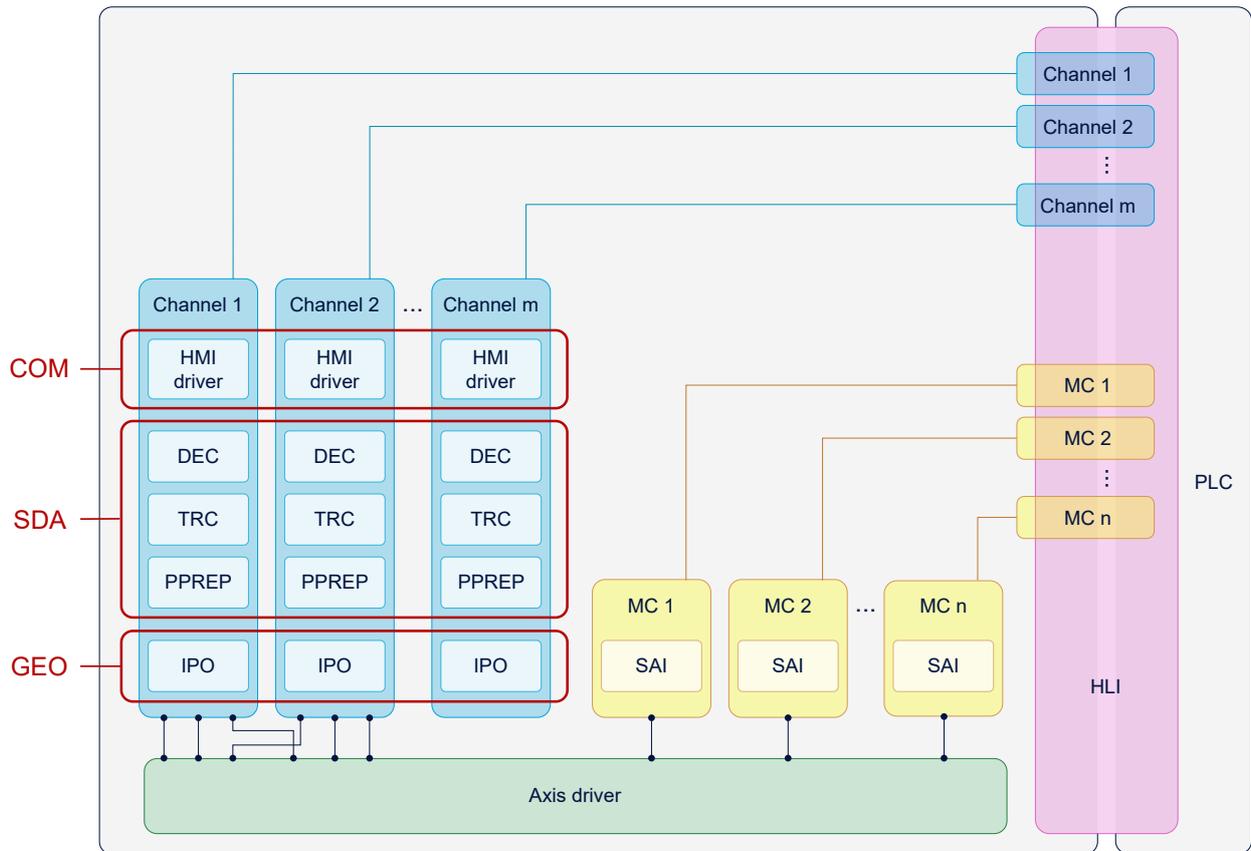


Fig. 3: Initial position (without multicore channel distribution)

The interpolation of each CNC channel can be assigned to a GEO task based on this standard task distribution. Each GEO task can be assigned 1-n channels of the CNC.

In the case below, two additional tasks, GEO 2 and GEO 3, are integrated in a 4-channel configuration:

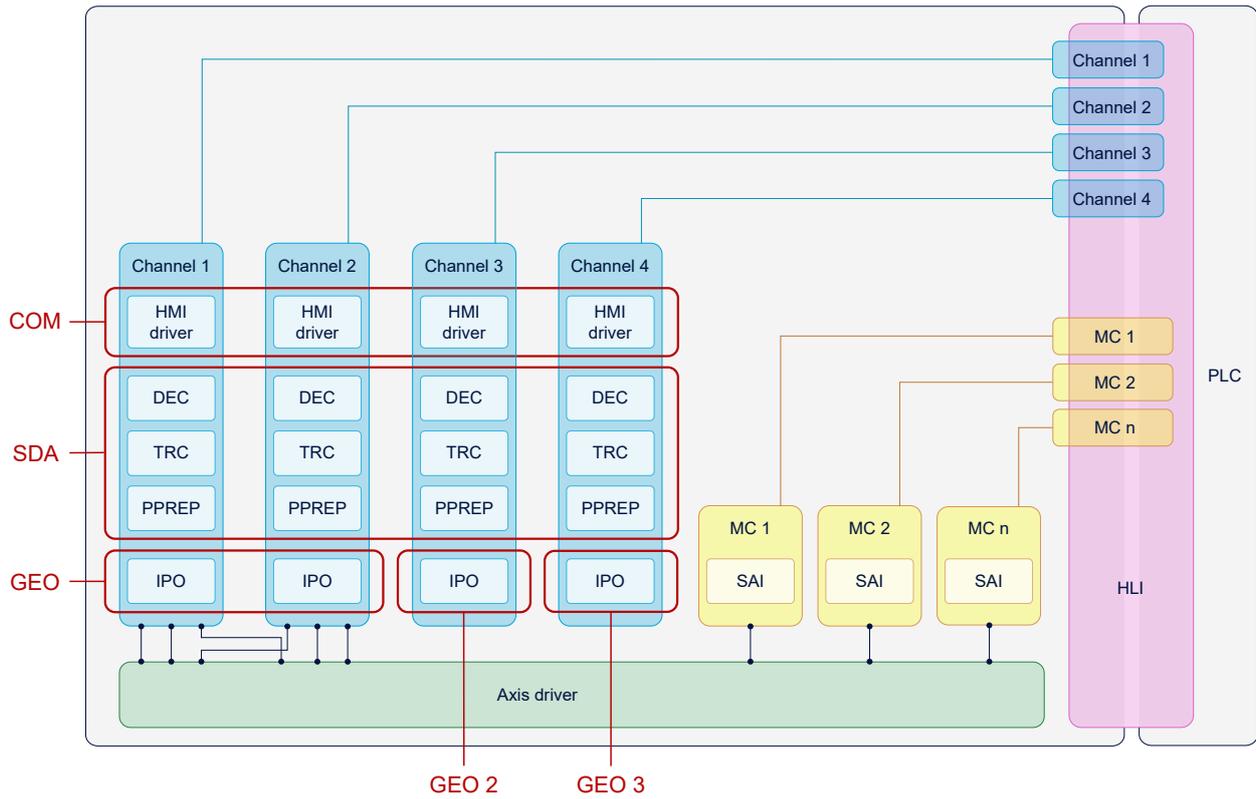


Fig. 4: Distribution of GEO tasks of a 4-channel CNC to multiple cores

2.3 Assignment of CNC task and CNC channel

The individual channel functions (SDA, COM or IPO) are indirectly assigned to a CNC task by defining contexts.

The configuration of contexts is described in the next section.

i COM is not split into channels. SAls are executed in the GEO of the 1st channel.

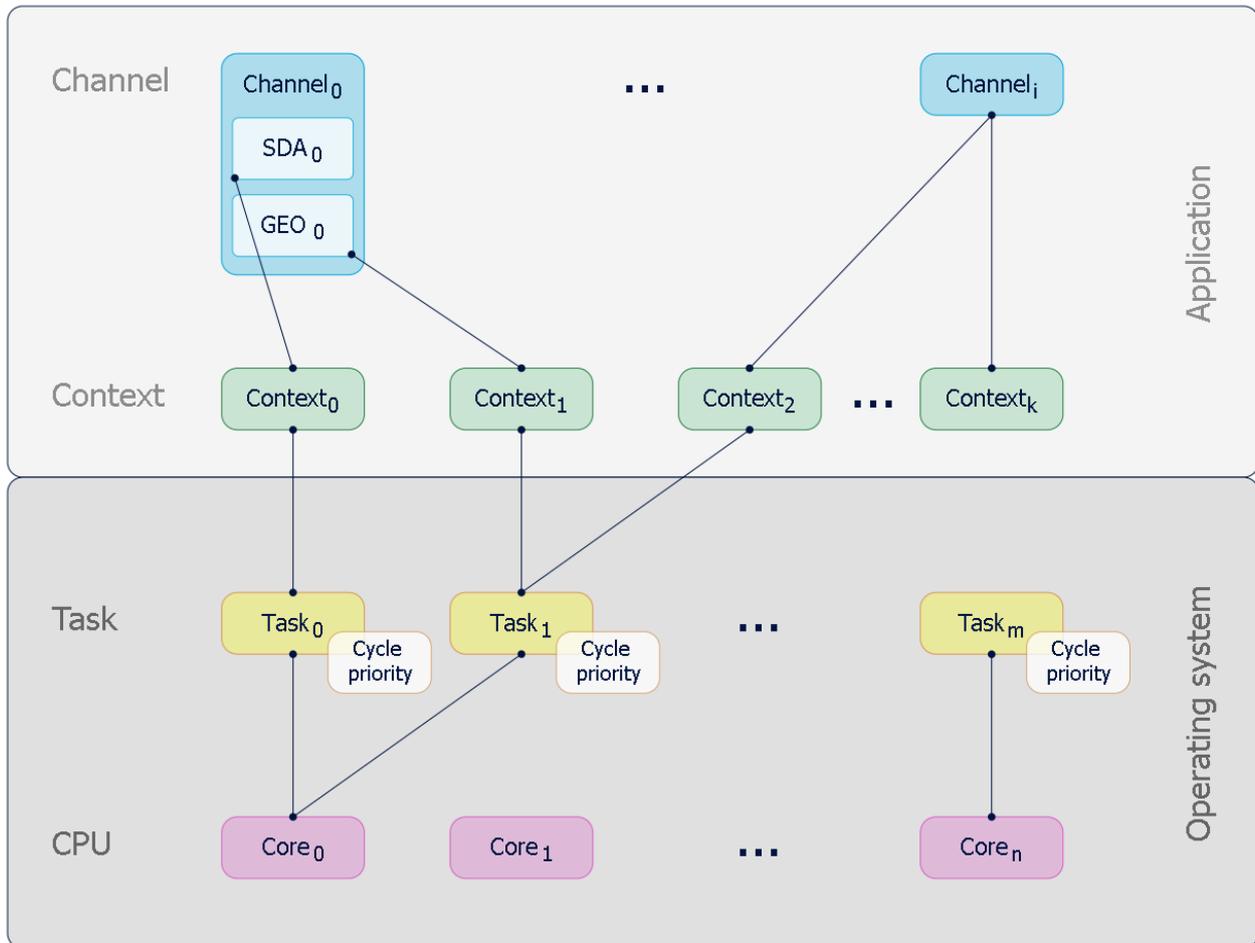


Fig. 5: Assignment by context

3 CNC scheduler

The real-time part of the CNC controller runs in the GEO task. The GEO task performs the following tasks, among others, in each CNC cycle:

Identifier	Task
Input	Read out axis actual values/status/etc. from the fieldbus
Output	Output new axis command values/status/etc. to the fieldbus
IPO	Interpolation, calculation of new axis command values, channel-specific
CHAN	Display, channel-specific

The CNC scheduler defines the order in which these tasks are executed. Defining the suitable order is dependent on the existing hardware (drives, fieldbus, etc.)

The following task orders are available:

- STANDARD
- COMPLETE
- SWITCHED

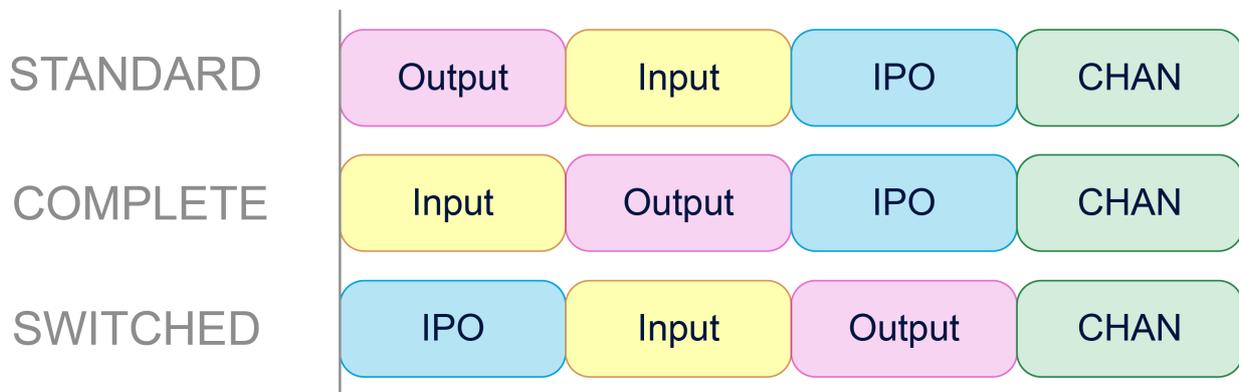


Fig. 6: Overview of task order in the cycle

STANDARD

Especially with conventional $\pm 10V$ drives, it is important to output command values in cycles that are as constant as possible. To avoid fluctuations, the command values calculated in the previous cycle are output to STANDARD directly at the start of the cycle. Then actual values are read in, compensations are calculated and new command values are calculated by IPO for the next cycle.

This order results in a delay between interpolation and the output of command values.

COMPLETE

If the axis parameter P-AXIS-00276 "field_bus_allows_optimised_schedule" is set for all axes, actual values/compensations are first processed and only then are the new command values output. This prevents any delay between interpolation and output.

If the parameter P-AXIS-00276 is not set for all axes, the schedule corresponds to the STANDARD case.

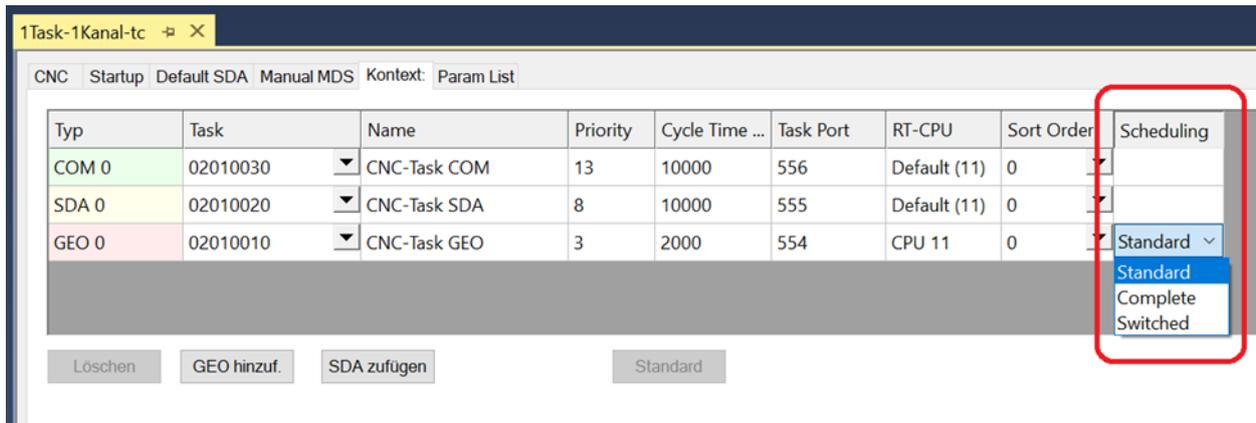
SWITCHED

For digital drives, the order can be further optimised to avoid any delay. In SWITCHED mode, actual values are read in

1. interpolated
2. .
3. Compensations calculated and command values output

Configuration

In TwinCAT, the schedule is set in the "Context" tab of the "CNC" node:



In real-time Linux or Windows Simulator, the P-RTCF-00018 parameter is used for this.

4 Configuration

4.1 Configuration in TwinCAT

The following steps are required for a new CNC task:

1. Determine the available CPU cores
2. Create a new CNC task
3. Set the properties of the new CNC task
4. Generate the context for the new CNC task
5. Link the new CNC task to the context

Determine the available CPU cores

Before splitting tasks, the available cores on the current CPU must be determined. This is achieved using the "Real-time" and "Read from target system" tabs. The cores can be set to isolated / non-isolated. These cores can then be assigned to the tasks.

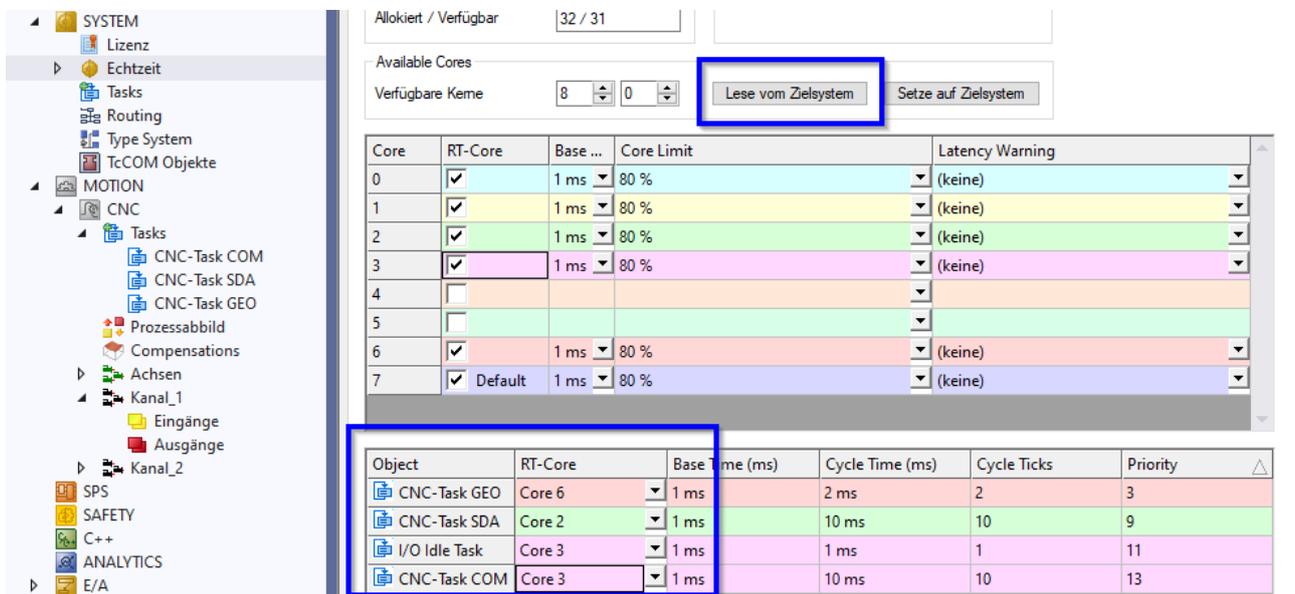


Fig. 7: Determining the available CPU cores



If you specify the available cores incorrectly, TwinCAT may not start properly.

Generate another GEO task for interpolation

By default, a CNC GEO task is created for the CNC. Synchronous tasks must be created to be able to create the interpolation of individual CNC channels on different GEO tasks.

The following sequence describes the procedure:

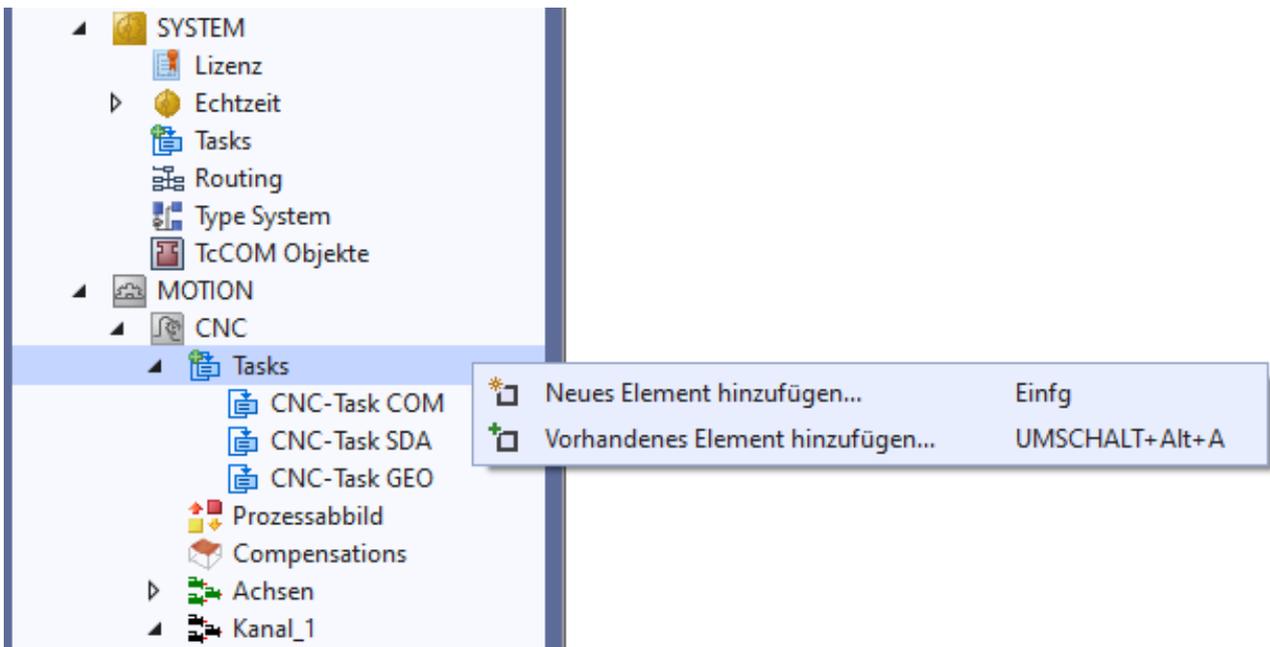


Fig. 8: Generating a new GEO task

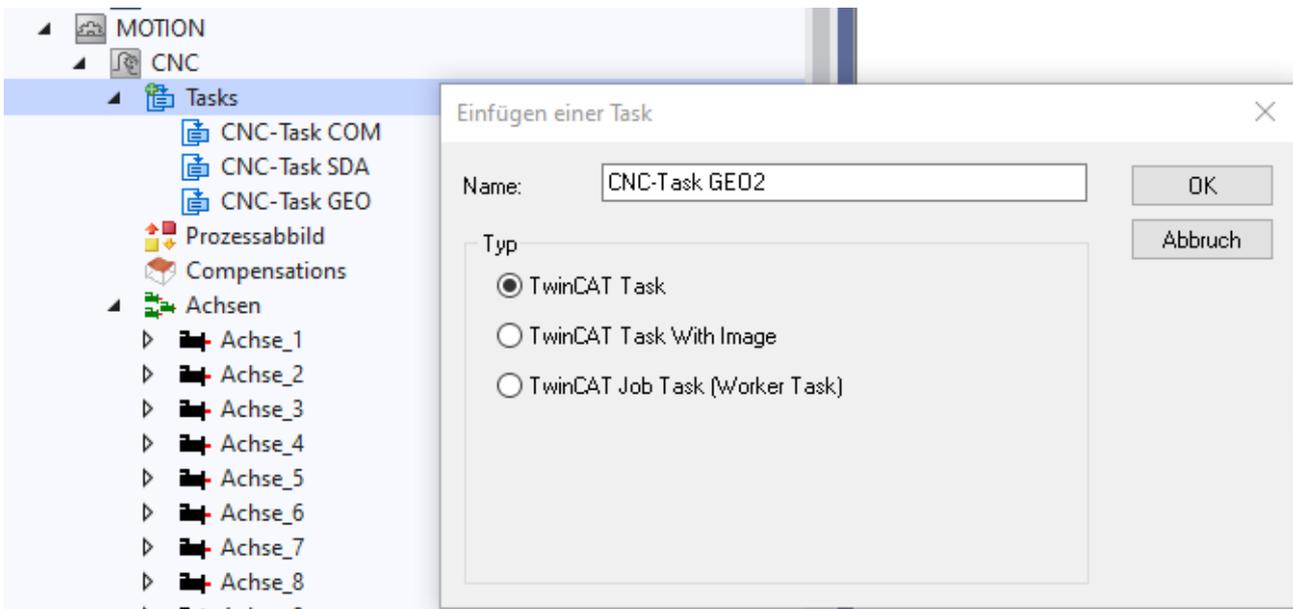


Fig. 9: Create a GEO task with name

The priority, cycle time and port must be modified or checked for each new GEO TASK created.

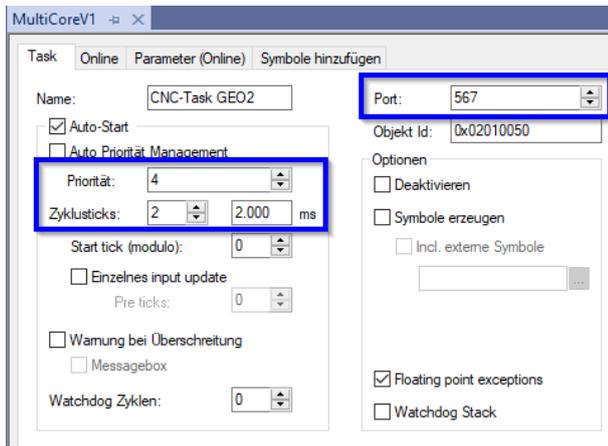


Fig. 10: Settings of task priorities

For the port number it is recommended to use the next number after the port numbers of the existing CNC tasks.

Each GEO task requires a unique priority, whereby the priority of a new task created can be based on the priority of the existing GEO task.

All GEO tasks should be ranked higher in priority than SDA or COM tasks.

i The cycle times of all GEO tasks must have the same setting.

Creating the context between CPU core and the new CNC task

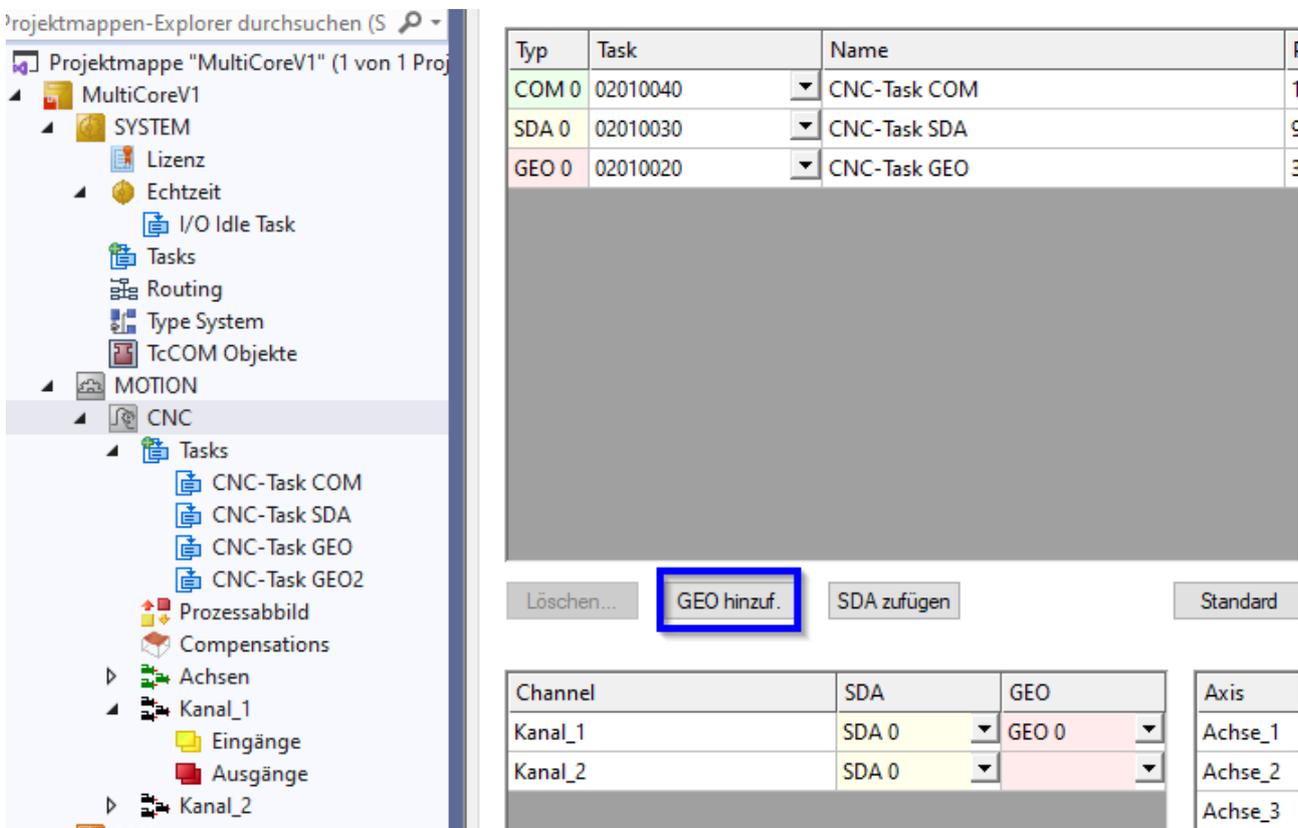


Fig. 11: Create context for new GEO task

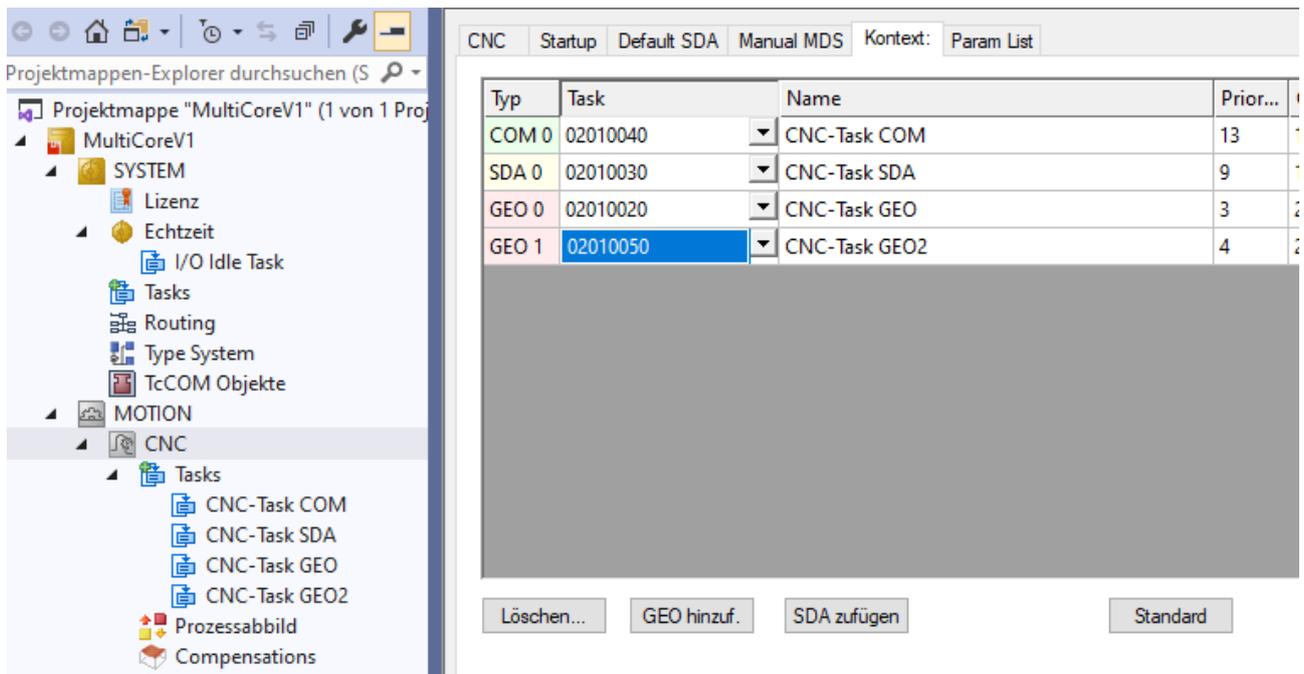


Fig. 12: Assign the new GEO task to the context created

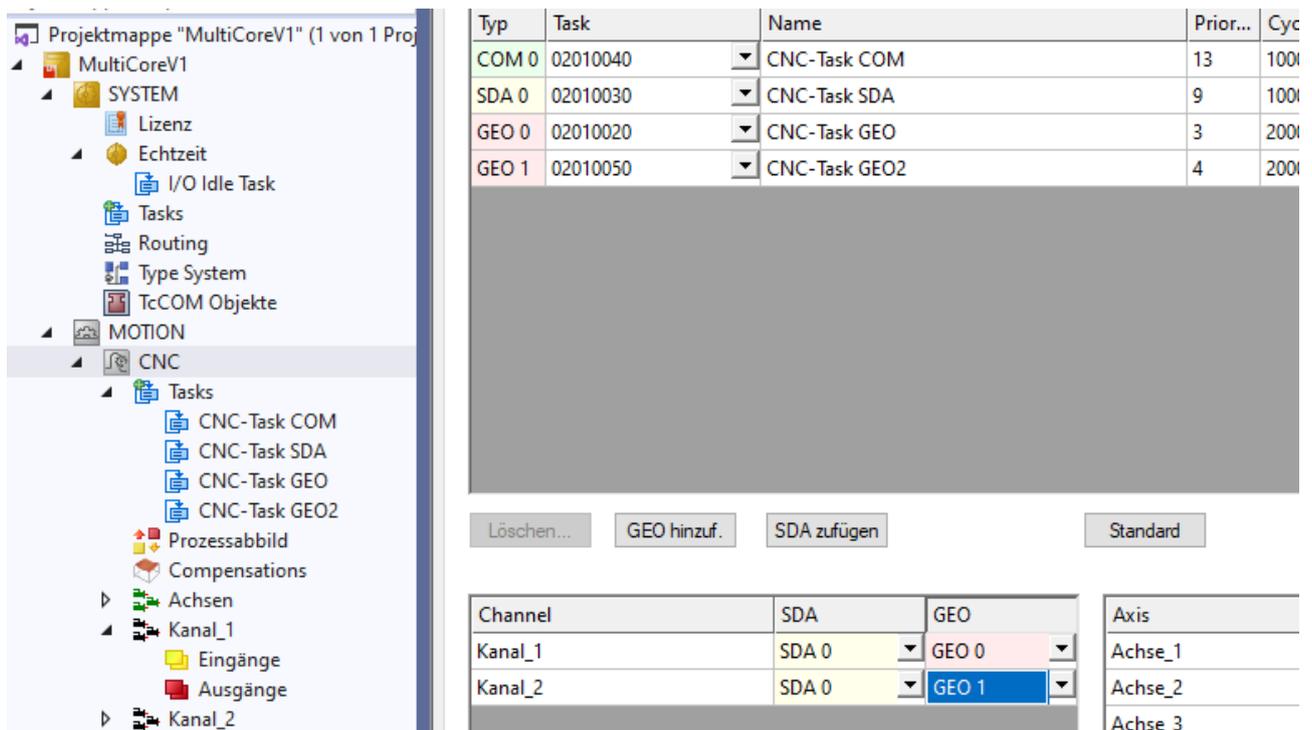


Fig. 13: Assign the interpolator of channel 2 to the new context

Configuration of 10 channels (CNC GEO task) on 10 CPU cores

10Task-10Kanal-Tc

Einstellungen Online Prioritäten C++ Debugger

Router Speicher
 Konfigurierte Größe [MB]: 32
 Allokiert / Verfügbar: 32 / 31

Globale Task Konfiguration
 Max. Stack Größe [KB]: 64KB

Verfügbare Kerne (geteilt/isoliert): 9 / 3
 Lese vom Zielsystem Setze auf Zielsystem

Core	RT-Core	Base Time	Core Limit	Latency Warning
0 (Shared)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 ms	80 %	(keine)
1 (Shared)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 ms	80 %	(keine)
2 (Shared)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 ms	80 %	(keine)
3 (Shared)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 ms	80 %	(keine)
4 (Shared)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 ms	80 %	(keine)
5 (Shared)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 ms	80 %	(keine)
6 (Shared)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 ms	80 %	(keine)
7 (Shared)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Default	1 ms	80 %	(keine)
8 (Shared)	<input type="checkbox"/>			
9 (Isolated)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 ms	100 %	(keine)
10 (Isolated)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 ms	100 %	(keine)
11 (Isolated)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 ms	100 %	(keine)

Object	RT-Core	Base Time (ms)	Cycle Time (ms)	Cycle Ticks	Priority
CNC-Task GEO	Core 11	1 ms	2 ms	2	4
CNC-Task GEO1	Core 10	1 ms	2 ms	2	5
CNC-Task GEO2	Core 9	1 ms	2 ms	2	6
CNC-Task GEO3	Core 6	1 ms	2 ms	2	7
CNC-Task GEO4	Core 5	1 ms	2 ms	2	8
CNC-Task GEO5	Core 4	1 ms	2 ms	2	9
CNC-Task GEO6	Core 3	1 ms	2 ms	2	10
CNC-Task GEO7	Core 2	1 ms	2 ms	2	11
CNC-Task GEO8	Core 1	1 ms	2 ms	2	12
CNC-Task GEO9	Core 0	1 ms	2 ms	2	13
I/O Idle Task	Default (7)	1 ms	1 ms	1	15
CNC-Task SDA	Default (7)	1 ms	10 ms	10	16
CNC-Task COM	Default (7)	1 ms	5 ms	5	17



5 Diagnostic options

The internal CNC schedule can be logged to diagnose MultiCore functions. This can take place at different times or interactions:

- automatically at CNC start-up
- implicitly on storing/requesting CNC diagnostic data
- by writing a CNC object

Logging first takes place in an internal logging format. Logging is then prepared in a subsequent step into a suitable representation (text format, view).

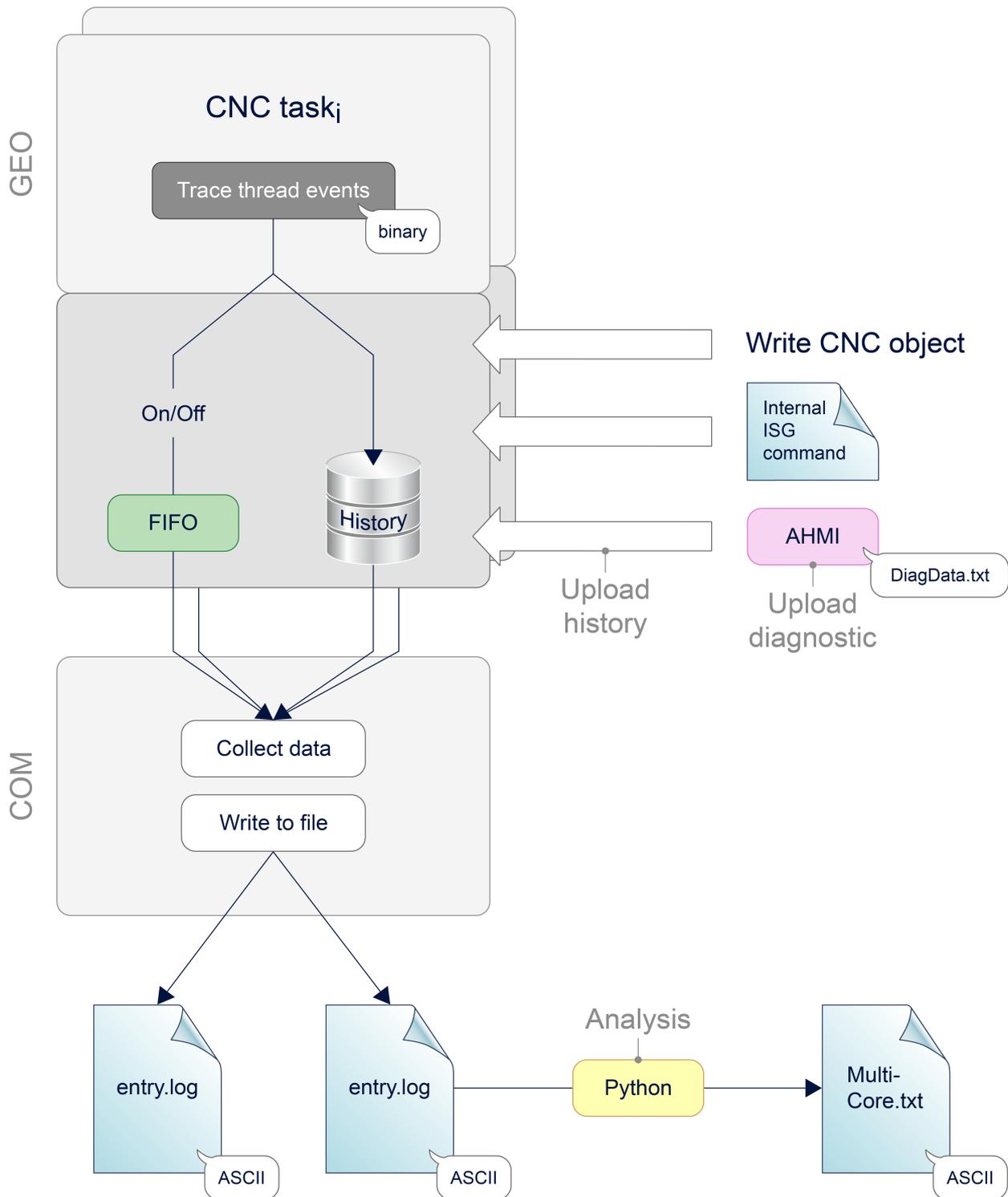


Fig. 14: Logging the MultiCore functions

Controller start-up

For controller start-up, the logging time can be set using [P-STUP-00213](#) [▶ 29] of the schedule events. Logging is deactivated with a value=0 (default).

Events are logged to the text file specified in [P-STUP-00214](#) [▶ 29].

Parameterisation example for diagnosing MultiCore events in the start-up list

#

```
# *****
# TC_STARTUP_DESC: TwinCAT CNC configuration
# *****
task_trace.geo.max_records      2000
task_trace.geo.filename        multicore-startup.log
task_trace.geo.history_filename multicore-history.log
#
```

Logging in diagnostic data

When CNC diagnostic data is requested, the past log entries of the schedule (history) are output automatically. The length of the logging time is specified as a fixed value. The name of the output file can be modified using the start-up parameter [P-STUP-00215](#) [▶ 29]

Using CNC objects

The following CNC objects are available for diagnostic purposes:

- [ttrace: max.](#) [▶ 31], this parameter can be used to set the maximum number of logs, analogous to [P-STUP-00213](#) [▶ 29]
- [ttrace: act.](#) [▶ 31]
- [ttrace: filename](#) [▶ 31], analogous to [P-STUP-00214](#) [▶ 29]
- [ttrace: history filename](#) [▶ 31], analogous to [P-STUP-00215](#) [▶ 29]
- [ttrace: layout written](#)
- [ttrace: append to file](#)

No	Group	Offset	Name	Type	Size	Unity	Value
214	0x121301	0x124	ttrace: max.	UNS32	4	-	5000
215	0x121301	0x125	ttrace: act.	UNS32	4	-	5000
216	0x121301	0x126	ttrace: filename	STRING	256	-	"D:\temp\multi-geo.log"
217	0x121301	0x127	ttrace: history filename	STRING	256	-	"D:\temp\history.log"
218	0x121301	0x128	ttrace: layout written	BOOLEAN	4	-	True
219	0x121301	0x129	ttrace: append to file	BOOLEAN	1	-	True

Fig. 15: Available CNC objects in the ISG Object Browser

Example of outputs

The output format, e.g. the MultiCore-Startup.log, looks like this:

```

1 373664104840000,0,0,4,0,0,0,0
2 373664104840200,0,5,5,0,2,0,0
3 373664104840300,0,4,5,0,2,0,0
4 373664104840400,0,1,5,0,3,0,0
5 373664104840500,0,2,5,0,3,0,0
6 373664104840600,0,3,5,0,3,0,0
7 373664104840800,0,10,5,0,3,0,0
8 373664104840900,0,8,5,0,3,0,1
9 373664104841000,0,7,5,0,3,0,0
0 373664104841100,0,8,5,0,3,0,2
1 373664104841200,0,9,5,0,3,0,0
2 373664104841500,0,10,5,0,4,0,0
3 373664104841600,0,8,5,0,7,0,4
4 373664104841700,0,0,6,0,0,0,0
5 373664104841800,0,0,9,0,0,0,3
6 373664104841900,0,0,10,0,0,0,1
7 373664104842000,0,0,11,0,0,0,3074
8 373664104842000,0,0,12,0,0,0,0
    
```

Fig. 16: Internal logging format

The representations below are produced by an internal tool to prepare the above output format.

```

C:\TwinCAT3.1\Components\Mc\CNC\Diagnosics\MultiCore-History.txt - Notepad++
File Edit Search View Encoding Language Settings Tools Macro Run Plugins Window ?
MultiCore-History.txt [3]
1263 CYC_37 6900 < CHAN 1 ----SYNC 4 CH_OUT OK
1264 CYC_37 300 >----SYNC 4 ----SYNC 4 PRE_ADS_BARRIER OK
1265 CYC_37 1100 <----SYNC 4 ----SYNC 4 PRE_ADS_BARRIER OK
1266 CYC_37 1200 <----SYNC 4 <----SYNC 4 PRE_ADS_BARRIER OK
1267
1268 -----[neuer Zyklus gestartet, Thread 1 Tick Count erhoeht, TC = 117720, erhoeht durch Thread 1]--
1269
1270 CYC_38 1971100 CYCLE_TICK_INCR(117720) ALL NEW_CYCLE | EQUI OK
1271 CYC_38 300 > CHAN 2 IPO OK
1272 CYC_38 300 < CHAN 2 IPO OK
1273 CYC_38 200 >----SYNC 1 IPO OK
1274 CYC_38 1200 CYCLE_TICK_OK(117720) ----SYNC 1 ALL NEW_CYCLE | EQUI OK
1275 CYC_38 300 > LR ----SYNC 1 POS_CTRL OK
1276 CYC_38 12600 < LR ----SYNC 1 POS_CTRL OK
1277 CYC_38 100 > FILTER ----SYNC 1 POS_CTRL OK
1278 CYC_38 900 < FILTER ----SYNC 1 POS_CTRL OK
1279 CYC_38 900 > KONFIG ----SYNC 1 IPO OK
1280 CYC_38 300 < KONFIG ----SYNC 1 IPO OK
1281 CYC_38 0 > DIAG ----SYNC 1 IPO OK
1282 CYC_38 400 < DIAG ----SYNC 1 IPO OK
1283 CYC_38 0 > KOMMU ----SYNC 1 IPO OK
1284 CYC_38 600 < KOMMU ----SYNC 1 IPO OK
1285 CYC_38 100 > CHAN 1 ----SYNC 1 IPO OK
1286 CYC_38 1300 < CHAN 1 ----SYNC 1 IPO OK
1287 CYC_38 100 >----SYNC 1 ----SYNC 1 IPO OK
1288 CYC_38 2000 <----SYNC 1 ----SYNC 1 IPO OK
1289 CYC_38 100 > HAND ----SYNC 1 IPO OK
1290 CYC_38 900 HAND <----SYNC 1 IPO OK
1291 CYC_38 0 HAND >----SYNC 2 IPO OK
1292 CYC_38 100 < HAND ----SYNC 2 IPO OK
1293 CYC_38 100 >----SYNC 2 ----SYNC 2 IPO OK
1294 CYC_38 900 <----SYNC 2 ----SYNC 2 IPO OK
1295 CYC_38 0 > BAHN 1 ----SYNC 2 IPO OK
1296 CYC_38 1200 BAHN 1 <----SYNC 2 IPO OK
1297 CYC_38 100 BAHN 1 > BAHN 2 IPO OK
1298 CYC_38 5800 BAHN 1 < BAHN 2 IPO OK
1299 CYC_38 200 BAHN 1 > CHAN 2 CH_OUT OK
1300 CYC_38 1000 < BAHN 1 CHAN 2 IPO OK
1301 CYC_38 300 > CHAN 1 CHAN 2 CH_OUT OK
1302 CYC_38 2100 CHAN 1 < CHAN 2 CH_OUT OK
1303 CYC_38 100 CHAN 1 >----SYNC 4 PRE_ADS_BARRIER OK
1304 CYC_38 9000 < CHAN 1 ----SYNC 4 CH_OUT OK
1305 CYC_38 200 >----SYNC 4 ----SYNC 4 PRE_ADS_BARRIER OK
1306 CYC_38 1100 <----SYNC 4 ----SYNC 4 PRE_ADS_BARRIER OK
1307 CYC_38 1200 <----SYNC 4 <----SYNC 4 PRE_ADS_BARRIER OK
1308
1309 -----[neuer Zyklus gestartet, Thread 1 Tick Count erhoeht, TC = 117721, erhoeht durch Thread 1]--
1310
1311 CYC_39 1953800 CYCLE_TICK_INCR(117721) ALL NEW_CYCLE | EQUI OK
1312 CYC_39 300 > CHAN 2 IPO OK
1313 CYC_39 300 < CHAN 2 IPO OK
    
```

Fig. 17: Example output of a MultiCore schedule diagnostic file

Each MultiCore log file contains internal context information at the start, such as version number, schedule type, cycle times, etc., which make it easier to diagnose error response.

```

*****
*
*   Diagnose-Skript
*   -----
*
*   Version                = 1.0.0.0
*
*   CNC
*   ---
*
*   Version                = 3.1.3074.0
*   Scheduling              = Complete
*   Zykluszeit             = 2000 us
*   THREAD_TRACE_ENTRIES_MAX = 600
*   THREAD_TRACE_HISTORY_LAYOUT_MAX = 50
*   THREAD_TRACE_HISTORY_ENTRIES_MAX = 1000
*   TASK_GEO_NUMBER_OF_THREADS_MAX = 16
*   SYNC_BARRIER_NUMBER   = 6
*   SYNC_BARRIER_MAX_TASKS = 16
*
*   EINGABE
*   -----
*
*   Log-Datei              = MultiCore-Test.log *
*
*   AUSWERTUNG UNTER FOLGENDEN REGELN
*   -----
*
*   R1: in jedem Zyklus muss der erste Eintrag CYCLE_TICK_INCR sein,
*        bei allen anderen Threads muss der erste Eintrag CYCLE_TICK_OK sein
*   R2: in jedem Zyklus ueberlappen sich entsprechende Thread-Barrieren
*   R3: fuer jeden Thread bleibt die Sequenz der BFs pro Zyklus gleich
*   R4: in jedem Zyklus muss es in jedem Thread genau ein TICK-Event geben
*   R5: in jedem Zyklus muessen die Tick-Counts aller Threads gleich sein
*
*   ERGEBNIS
*   -----
*
*   Anzahl Fehler          = 8
*
*   STATISTISCHE ANGABEN
*   -----
*
*   Anzahl Logeintraege    = 11044
*   Anzahl Zyklen          = 290
*   Zyklendauer - Minimum  = 17500 ns = 17 us
*   Zyklendauer - Mittelwert = 24351 ns = 24 us
*   Zyklendauer - Maximum  = 121100 ns = 121 us
*   Zyklendauer - Standardabweichung = 9368 ns = 9 us
*
*****

```

Fig. 18: Script example

5.1 Internal ISG command

Syntax:

```
#INFO [ TO SCHEDULER_CMD S0 = TRACE [ S1 = <filename> ] [ I0 = <max_number> ] ]
```

TRACE	Start logging until the specified number of CNC cycles
<filename>	Optionally, you can specify the filename used for the output of scheduling events. Default: <TwinCATInstallation>\Components\Mc\Cnc\Diagnostics\MultiCore-Startup.log
<max_number>	Defines the number of CNC cycles logged. Logging is deactivated with a value=0.

Syntax:

```
#INFO [ TO SCHEDULER_CMD S0 = HISTORY [ S1 = <filename> ] ]
```

HISTORY	Writes the past schedule events (history) to the specified file. A fixed logging time is specified.
<filename>	Optionally, you can specify the filename used for the output of past scheduling events (history). Default: <TwinCATInstallation>\Components\Mc\Cnc\Diagnostics\MultiCore-History.log

Using the #INFO command

```
%MultiCore
P1 = 1
N090 V.E.string = "C:\TwinCAT\3.1\Components\Mc\CNC\Diagnostics\MultiCore-Loop" + ".txt"
N100 #FILENAME [ MSG = V.E.string]
$WHILE P1
N010 G01 X0 Y0 Z0 F10000
N040 #INFO[TO SCHEDULER_CMD S0=TRACE S1 = C:\TwinCAT\3.1\Components\Mc\CNC\Diagnostics\MultiCore-Test.log I0=300 ]
N100 X300
N110 Y400
N240 #INFO[TO SCHEDULER_CMD S0=HISTORY S1 = C:\TwinCAT\3.1\Components\Mc\CNC\Diagnostics\MultiCore-History.log ]
N110 Z500
N110 #MSG SAVE["%s MultiCore-Test.nc Loop %d", V.G.TIME_STAMP, P1]
N600 #FLUSH WAIT
N400 P1 = P1 + 1
$ENDWHILE
M30
```

6 Parameter

6.1 Overview

restart

ID	Parameter	Description
P-STUP-00213	max_records	Number of logging entries for logging
P-STUP-00214	filename	Name of the output file
P-STUP-00215	history_filename	Name of the history file

Channel parameters

ID	Parameter	Description
P-CHAN-00409	com	Context information of the COM task
P-CHAN-00410	geo	Context information of the GEO task
P-CHAN-00411	sda	Context information of the SDA task

6.2 Description

6.2.1 restart

P-STUP-00213	Number of logging entries for logging
Description	This parameter sets the maximum number of log entries for the corresponding task. Real-time events are logged in these entries for diagnostic purposes. After the number is reached, logging stops automatically. With a value=0, no log file is generated at CNC start-up.
Parameter	trace.geo.max_records
Data type	SGN32
Data range	0 <= max_records < MAX_UN32
Dimension	----
Default value	0
Remarks	Parameter available as of CNC Build V3.1.3077 and higher

P-STUP-00214	Name of the output file
Description	This parameter is used to specify the name of the output file for logging the corresponding task. If no path is specified for the output file, the default path or the main directory of the NC controller is used.
Parameter	task_trace.geo.filename
Data type	STRING
Data range	<Filename with relative / absolute path>
Dimension	----
Default value	MultiCore-Startup.log
Remarks	Parameter available as of CNC Build V3.1.3077 and higher

P-STUP-00215	Name of the history file
Description	This parameter is used to specify the name of the history file for logging the corresponding task. The file is used to output the history logs. If no path is specified for the file, the default path or the main directory of the NC controller is used.
Parameter	task_trace.geo.history_filename
Data type	STRING
Data range	<Filename with relative / absolute path>
Dimension	----
Default value	MultiCore-History.log
Remarks	Parameter available as of CNC Build V3.1.3077 and higher

6.2.2 Channel parameters

P-CHAN-00409	Context information of the COM task
Description	This parameter defines the context information of the COM task. The context information can contain a reference to the context of a CPU thread. See also P-RTCF-00017.
Parameter	schedule.context.com or twincat.context.com
Data type	UNS32
Data range	

Dimension	----
Default value	0
Remarks	This parameter is used automatically in TwinCAT systems.

P-CHAN-00410	Context information of the GEO task
Description	This parameter defines the context information of the GEO task. The context information can contain a reference to the context of a CPU thread. See also P-RTCF-00017.
Parameter	schedule.context.geo or twincat.context.geo
Data type	UNS32
Data range	
Dimension	----
Default value	0
Remarks	This parameter is used automatically in TwinCAT systems.

P-CHAN-00411	Context information of the SDA task
Description	This parameter defines the context information of the SDA task. The context information can contain a reference to the context of a CPU thread. See also P-RTCF-00017.
Parameter	schedule.context.sda or twincat.context.sda
Data type	UNS32
Data range	
Dimension	----
Default value	0
Remarks	This parameter is used automatically in TwinCAT systems.

6.2.3 CNC objects

Name	ttrace: max.		
Description	This object defines the maximum number of CNC cycles to be logged. This is analogous to P-STUP-00213 [▶ 29].		
Task	GEO (Port 551)		
Index group	0x12130<C _{ID} >	Index offset	0x124
Data type	UNS32	Length	4
Attributes	read/ write	Unit	-
Remarks			

Name	ttrace: act.		
Description	This object reads the current fill level of the log file. The log file can be specified by the CNC object "ttrace: filename" [▶ 31] or by P-STUP-00214 [▶ 29].		
Task	GEO (Port 551)		
Index group	0x12130<C _{ID} >	Index offset	0x125
Data type	UNS32	Length	4
Attributes	read	Unit	-
Remarks			

Name	ttrace: filename		
Description	This object specifies the name of the output file analogous to P-STUP-00214 [▶ 29] .		
Task	GEO (Port 551)		
Index group	0x12130<C _{ID} >	Index offset	0x126
Data type	STRING	Length	256
Attributes	read/ write	Unit	-
Remarks			

Name	ttrace: history filename		
Description	This object specifies the name of the history file analogous to P-STUP-00215 [▶ 29] .		
Task	GEO (Port 551)		
Index group	0x12130<C _{ID} >	Index offset	0x127
Data type	STRING	Length	256
Attributes	read/ write	Unit	-
Remarks			

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