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# MITSUBISHI FLEXIBOWL® PLUGIN



This Plugin was developed with the idea of communicating quickly and safely with FlexiBowl® through Mitsubishi robots, by using the software RT TOOLBOX ver. 1.81k.

The Plugin does NOT require an additional Mitsubishi licenses.

# FlexiBowl®



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**RT ToolBox3**  
Version 1.81K

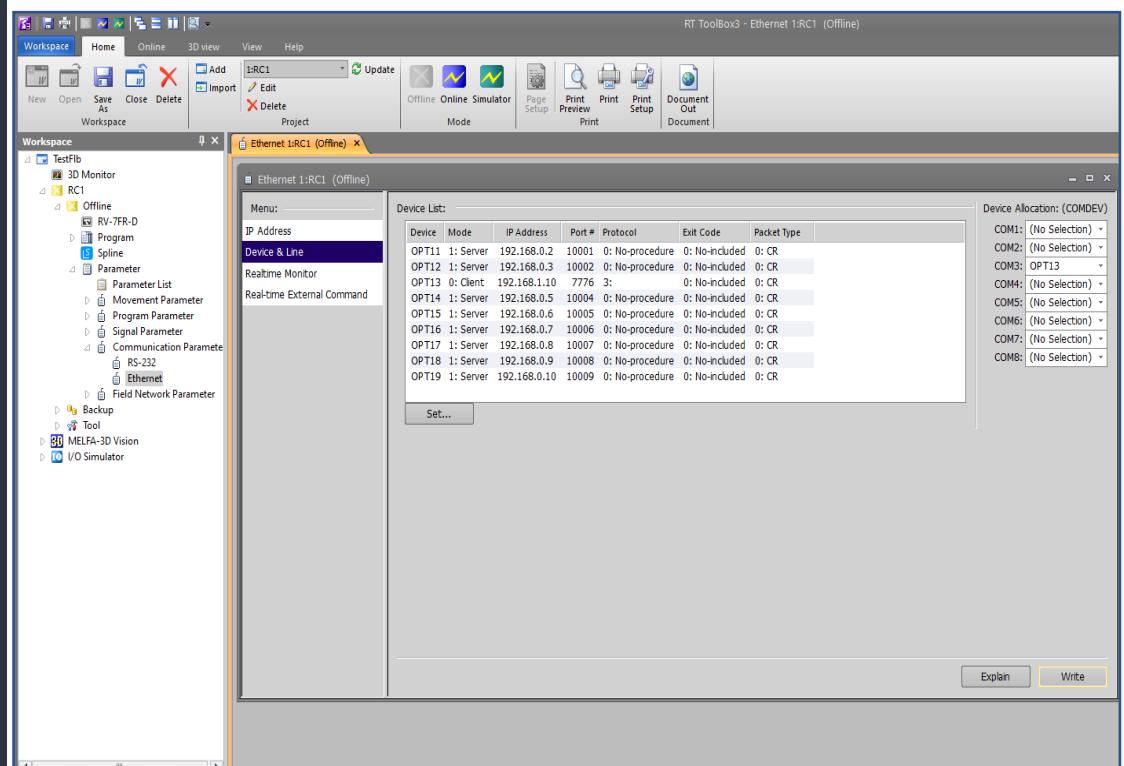


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# RT TOOLBOX

## STEP 1:



Consider FlexiBowl having 192.168.1.10 as Ip address, set a communication port as in the image.

Port 7775

In the image the Ip and the port are set and then set the Com3 as OPT13. Once the Device & Line is set, we are ready to make the communication with FlexiBowl.

# RT TOOLBOX

## STEP 2:

Here the code used to move FlexiBowl:

The screenshot shows the RT ToolBox software interface. On the left, the 'Workspace' pane displays a project structure under 'TestFlb'. The 'Program' folder contains a file named 'FLBPLUGIN.prg'. On the right, the main window shows the code for 'Program 1:RC1 FLBPLUGIN.prg' in MELFA-BASIC VI. The code is as follows:

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1  ''variabili utilizzate
2  ' M1,M2,C1,C2,C3
3  'arrivato il comando lo analizzo nella stringa C2$
4  M5= 2 'comando da eseguire QX2
5  'inizializzo
6  M1=0      'valore del comando da eseguire
7  C1$=""    'send data
8  M2 = 0     'bool per capire se è movimentazione
9  M3 = 0     'receive data
10 C2$=Str$(M5)
11 C3$=""    'STRINGA DI USCITA
12 *OPEN_TCP
13 Open "COM3;" As #3
14 If M_Open(3)<>1 Then *OPEN_TCP
15 'catturo il valore
16 M1 = Val(C2$)
17 'QX2 Forward
18 If(M1=2) Then
19   C1$= Chr$(0)+ Chr$(7)+Chr$(81)+Chr$(88)+Chr$(50)
20   M2 = 1
21 EndIf
22 'QX3 Forward Flip
23 If(M1=3) Then
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"used variables
'M1,M2,C1,C2,C3
'once the command arrives, analize it in the string C2$
M5= 2 'command to execute QX2
'initialize
M1=0      'value of the command to execute
C1$=""    'send data
M2 = 0     'bool to understand if the status is "moving"
M3 = 0     'receive data
C2$=Str$(M5)
C3$=""    'OUTPUT STRING
*OPEN_TCP
Open "COM3;" As #3
If M_Open(3)<>1 Then *OPEN_TCP
'catch the value
M1 = Val(C2$)
'QX2 Forward
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If(M1=2) Then
    C1$= Chr$(0)+ Chr$(7)+Chr$(81)+Chr$(88)+Chr$(50)
    M2 = 1
EndIf
'QX3 Forward Flip
If(M1=3) Then
    C1$= Chr$(0)+ Chr$(7)+Chr$(81)+Chr$(88)+Chr$(51)
    M2 = 1
EndIf
'QX4 Forward Flip Blow
If(M1=4) Then
    C1$= Chr$(0)+ Chr$(7)+Chr$(81)+Chr$(88)+Chr$(52)
    M2 = 1
EndIf
'QX5 Forward Blow
If(M1=5) Then
    C1$= Chr$(0)+ Chr$(7)+Chr$(81)+Chr$(88)+Chr$(53)
    M2 = 1
EndIf
'QX6 Shake
If(M1=6) Then
    C1$= Chr$(0)+ Chr$(7)+Chr$(81)+Chr$(88)+Chr$(54)
    M2 = 1
EndIf
'QX7 Light On
If(M1=7) Then
    C1$= Chr$(0)+ Chr$(7)+Chr$(81)+Chr$(88)+Chr$(55)
    M2 = 1
EndIf
'QX8 Light Off
If(M1=8) Then
    C1$= Chr$(0)+ Chr$(7)+Chr$(81)+Chr$(88)+Chr$(56)
    M2 = 0
EndIf
'QX9 Blow
If(M1=9) Then
    C1$= Chr$(0)+ Chr$(7)+Chr$(81)+Chr$(88)+Chr$(57)
    M2 = 0
EndIf
'QX10 Flip
If(M1=10) Then
    C1$= Chr$(0)+ Chr$(7)+Chr$(81)+Chr$(88)+Chr$(58)
    M2 = 1
EndIf
'QX11 Empty_Flb
If(M1=11) Then
    C1$= Chr$(0)+ Chr$(7)+Chr$(81)+Chr$(88)+Chr$(59)
    M2 = 1
EndIf
'QX12 Reset Allarm
If(M1=12) Then
    C1$= Chr$(0)+ Chr$(7)+Chr$(81)+Chr$(88)+Chr$(60)
    M2 = 0
EndIf
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'send the command to FlexiBowl
Print #3, C1$
'read the answer
Input #3, C20$
C2$=Mid$(C20$,4,1)
M3= Asc(C2$)
If(M3=37)Then
    If(M2=1)Then
        'wait move
        *WaitMove
        C1$= Chr$(0)+ Chr$(7)+Chr$(73)+Chr$(79)
        'send the command to FlexiBowl
        Print #3, C1$
        'read the answer
        Input #3, C20$
        C2$=Mid$(C20$,14,1)
        M3= Asc(C2$)
        If(M3=48) Then 'if it is 0, keep on waiting
            GoTo *WaitMove
            C3$="Done"
        EndIf
        else
            'pass on the reply
            C3$ = C2$
        EndIf
    Else
        'pass on the reply
        C3$ = C2$
    EndIf
Close #3
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The command to be executed is set in the M5 variable, numbers only, no QX letters. Below is a chart of the possible commands:

Action	Description
<b>MOVE</b>	Moves the feeder the current parameters.
<b>MOVE-FLIP</b>	Moves the feeder and activates Flip simultaneously
<b>MOVE-BLOW-FLIP</b>	Moves the feeder and activates Flip and blow simultaneously
<b>MOVE-BLOW</b>	Moves the feeder and activates Flip simultaneously
<b>SHAKE</b>	Shakes the feeder with the current parameters
<b>LIGHT ON</b>	Light on
<b>LIGHT OFF</b>	Light off
<b>FLIP</b>	Flip
<b>BLOW</b>	Blow
<b>QUICK_EMPTING</b>	Quick Emptying Option
<b>RESET_ALARM</b>	Reset Alarm and enable the motor

Command	Description
<b>QX2</b>	Move
<b>QX3</b>	Move - Flip
<b>QX4</b>	Move - Blow - Flip
<b>QX5</b>	Move - Blow
<b>QX6</b>	Shake
<b>QX7</b>	Light on
<b>QX8</b>	Light off
<b>QX9</b>	Flip
<b>QX10</b>	Blow
<b>QX11</b>	Quick Emptying Option
<b>QX12</b>	Reset Alarm

Once the number of the command to send is set, it is translated in the Char message to send to FlexiBowl

#### Sending Commands to a Drive

An eSCL UDP packet consists of three parts, the header (binary 07), the SCL string (a sequence of ASCII encoded characters) and the SCL terminator (ASCII carriage return, 13)

header	SCL string	<cr>
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Example: Sending "RV"

- SCL Header = 07 (two bytes)
- R = ASCII 82
- V = ASCII 86
- <cr> (ASCII carriage return) = 13

header	"RV"	<cr>
0	7	82
		86
		13

Once the string is ready, it is sent to FlexiBowl; if the sent string has an automatic movement, thanks to the WaitMove function, the software will wait for the completion of the movement (C3\$="Done"). While, if the sent string is an interrogation, such as "AL", the Echo of FlexiBowl will be returned in the C3\$ string.