

# DDS

*I/O Express Peer-to-Host  
Distributed Data System*



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## Introduction

**I/O EXPRESS** is the name given to the family of modules that make up Moore Industries' Distributed Data System (DDS). The DDS is a group of interface modules that provides a cost-effective communications link between multiple, dispersed points of input, output and control. Modules serve as everything from platforms for two-way communications between control room computers and analog and/or discrete field devices, to multiplexers that squeeze the signals of more than 7,000 points of input and/or output (I/O) over a single, digital Communications Link (Comm Link).

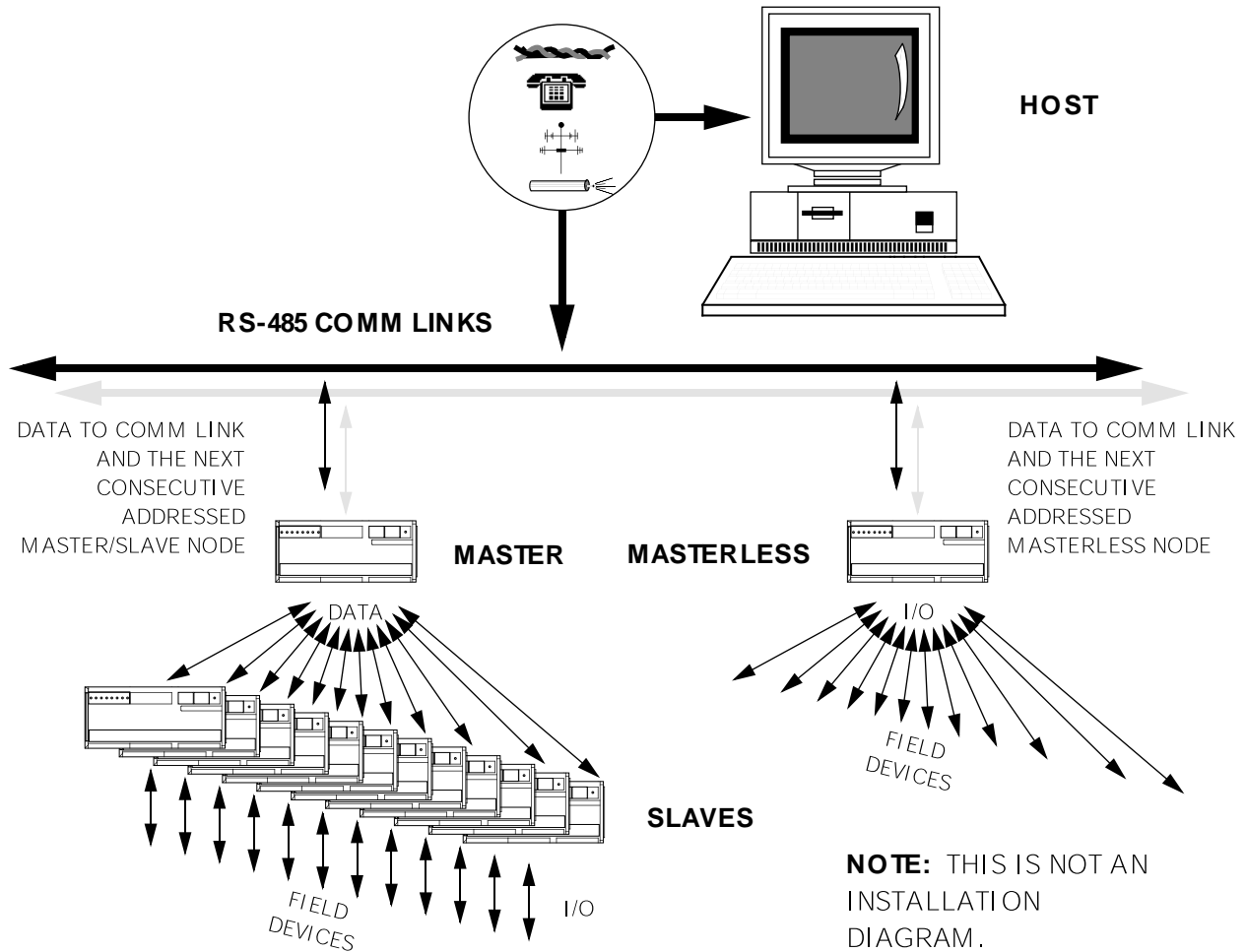
## Peer-to-Host vs. Peer-to-Peer Systems

There are two basic types of **I/O EXPRESS** systems: Peer-to-Host and Peer-to-Peer. This manual provides information on Peer-to-Host systems. A Peer to Host **I/O Express** system relies upon the actions of a Host device to send data and/signals back and forth between points of control and I/O.

Figure 1 shows a general overview of a basic Peer-to-Host **I/O EXPRESS**. The illustration shows all three types of modules: Masters, Slaves, and Masterless.

Peer-to-Peer systems, which operate without Host control, are covered in a separate manual. Contact the factory, or your local Moore Industries Sales representative for a copy.

Figure 1. Understanding the I/O EXPRESS



## The System Host

In this manual, the term “Host” refers to the combination of hardware and software used to communicate MODBUS<sup>1</sup> Remote Terminal Unit (MODBUS RTU) queries to connected **I/O EXPRESS** modules over the system Comm Link. Typically, a Host is a personal computer (PC), or some similar type of computer-based controller running distributed control (DCS) or super-visory command and data acquisition (SCADA) software.

Contact the factory for a list of compatible programs.

## The Module Types — Masters, Slaves, and Masterless

**Master modules** multiplex the signals of up to 12 Slave modules. They do not accommodate field I/O signals directly, but combine the signals from all connected Slaves into a single, digital signal that is communicated to the Host over the Comm Link.

**Slave modules** take input from, and/or provide output to, field devices. They communicate these signals, in digital form, to Master modules, which then send the data over the Comm Link to the system Host.

**Masterless modules** take input directly from, and/or provide output directly to field devices. They communicate these signals directly to the Host.

## Specifications— Communications

- **Comm Link\*** - Half-duplex, digital RS-485 (RS-232 optional) Master-to-Host and Masterless-to-Host. Physical connections may be made over twisted wire pair; fiber optic cabling; dial-up, leased line, or radio modems. Contact the factory, or your Moore Industries Sales representative, for information on Moore Industries' line of communications hardware, including modems, Link-to-Fiber and RS-485-to-RS-232 converters.
- **Protocol\*** - MODBUS RTU for Masters-to-Host and Masterless to-Host. Refer to the Operation section of this manual for the valid subset of function codes. A separate, overview section on MODBUS queries is provided as well.
- **Serial Character Format\*** - 8 data bits, 1 stop bit, no parity
- **Baud Rate\*** - 2400, 4800, 9600, or 19200, user-set. Refer to the Installation section of this manual for instructions.
- **MODBUS Addressing\*** - 1-31, user-set. Refer to the Installation section of this manual for instructions.
- **Analog Data Format\*** - 12-bit, unsigned integer

\* Slave-to-Master communications are simplex, RS-232, using a direct, 1-slave channel-to-1-master channel connection scheme. The protocol and data format is proprietary, and the baud rate is permanently set at the factory to 9600. I/O points multiplexed by Slave modules are monitored and/or controlled by the Host via Master modules only.

1 MODBUS, MODBUS REMOTE TERMINAL UNIT, and MODBUS RTU are products of Modicon, Incorporated.

## Specifications— Modules

Standard **I/O EXPRESS** modules accommodate analog inputs and outputs, discrete (digital) inputs and outputs, RTD and thermocouple (T/C) inputs, and relay outputs. The following Specifications listings are organized by I/O type.

The Ordering Information section following these lists, shows how Moore Industries refers to each module type. A brief explanation of Moore Industries' model numbering system is also presented in that section.

Master Modules			
<p><b>Performance</b> <b>Scan Rate:</b> 12 Slave channels updated every 50 to 150 milliseconds, depending upon the I/O configuration of the connected Slave module <b>Isolation:</b> 500Vdc between each Comm Link; 500Vdc between either of the Comm Links and Power; and 500Vdc between Comm Links, Power, and Slave modules</p> <p><b>Comm Link</b> <b>Between Masterless modules and Host:</b> RS-485 multi-drop; two, independent Comm Links continuously maintained</p>	<p><b>Comm Link (continued)</b></p> <p><b>Between Slaves and Masters:</b> RS-232 direct connection; each Slave to one channel on the Master <b>Range:</b> 1.6 km (1 mi) typical, for Master or Masterless modules communicating with the Host at 9600 baud over 20AWG twisted pair; 0.8 km (0.5 mi), typical, at 19.2k baud; 15 m (50 ft) between Slaves and Master modules See NOTE below <b>Protocol:</b> MODBUS RTU for Masters and Masterless modules to the Host; Master-Slave communications use a proprietary protocol</p>	<p><b>Comm Link (continued)</b></p> <p><b>Baud Rate:</b> User-set between Masters and Host, 2400, 4800, 9600, or 19200; Factory-set between Masters and Slaves, 9600 <b>Addressing:</b> User-set with external, wire jumpers 1-31</p> <p><b>Power Supply</b> 11-30Vdc; Load: 2-4 Watts depending upon module type</p> <p><b>Ambient Conditions</b> <b>Operating Range:</b> 0°C to +65°C (23°F to 150°F) <b>Storage Range:</b> -25°C to +85°C (13°F to 185°F) <b>Relative Humidity:</b> 10-90%, non-condensing</p> <p><b>Controls</b> External jumpers used to set baud rate and address</p> <p><b>Weight</b> 580g (1.7 lbs)</p>	
Analog Input* Modules 0 Slave or Masterless			
<p><b>Performance</b> <b>Accuracy:</b> ±0.15% of span (12-bit resolution) <b>Scan Rate:</b> Each channel updated 200 times per sec <b>Isolation:</b> 500Vdc between each Comm Link; 500Vdc between either of the Comm Links and Power; and 500Vdc between Comm Links, Power, and input channels; ±7Vdc, (common mode) channel-to-channel <b>Impedance:</b> 4-20mA inputs: 250%; Voltage inputs: 1MΩ <b>Common Mode Rejection:</b> &gt;115dB @ 60Hz</p> <p><b>Comm Link</b> <b>Between Masterless modules and Host:</b> RS-485 multi-drop; two, independent Comm Links continuously maintained</p>	<p><b>Comm Link (continued)</b></p> <p><b>Between Slaves and Masters:</b> RS-232 direct connection; each Slave to one channel on the Master <b>Range:</b> 1.6 km (1 mi) typical, for Master and Masterless modules communicating with the Host at 9600 baud over 20AWG twisted pair; 0.8 km (0.5 mi), typical, at 19.2k baud; 15 m (50 ft) between Slaves and Master modules See NOTE below <b>Protocol:</b> MODBUS RTU for Masters and Masterless modules to the Host; Master-Slave communications use a proprietary protocol</p>	<p><b>Comm Link (continued)</b></p> <p><b>Baud Rate:</b> User-set between Masters and Host, 2400, 4800, 9600, or 19200; Factory-set between Masters and Slaves, 9600 <b>Addressing:</b> User-set with external, wire jumpers, 1-31</p> <p><b>Power Supply</b> 11-30Vdc; Load: 2-4 Watts depending upon module type</p> <p><b>Ambient Conditions</b> <b>Operating Range:</b> 0°C to +65°C (23°F to 150°F) <b>Storage Range:</b> -25°C to +85°C (13°F to 185°F) <b>Relative Humidity:</b> 10-90%, non-condensing <b>Ambient Temperature Effect:</b> ±0.018% per °C</p> <p><b>Controls</b> External jumpers used to set baud rate and address (Masterless modules only)</p> <p><b>Weight</b> 580g (1.7 lbs)</p>	

\*Excluding RTD or Thermocouple inputs, which are accommodated by other modules.

**Note:** Practical system range and throughput may be greater in many applications.

## Specifications *(continued from page 3)*

Analog Output Modules Ⓜ Slave or Masterless			
<p><b>Performance</b> <b>Accuracy:</b> ±0.15% of span (12-bit resolution)  <b>Scan Rate:</b> Each channel updated 100 times per sec  <b>Isolation:</b> 500Vdc between each Comm Link; 500Vdc between Comm Links and Power; 500Vdc between Comm Links and output channels  <b>Drive Capability:</b> 4-20mA units, 700½ maximum  <b>Ripple:</b> 1µA peak-to-peak</p> <p><b>Comm Link</b> <b>Between Masterless modules and Host:</b> RS-485 multi-drop; two, independent Comm Links continuously maintained</p>	<p><b>Comm Link (continued)</b></p> <p><b>Between Slaves and Masters:</b> RS-232 direct connection; each Slave to one channel on the Master  <b>Range:</b> 1.6 km (1 mi) typical, for Master or Masterless modules communicating with the Host at 9600 baud over 20AWG twisted pair, 0.8 km (0.5 mi), typical at 19.2k baud; 15 m (50 ft) between Slaves and Master modules  <small>See NOTE below</small>  <b>Protocol:</b> MODBUS RTU for Masters and Masterless modules to the Host; Master-Slave communications use a proprietary protocol  <b>Baud Rate:</b> User-set between Masters and Host, 2400, 4800, 9600, or 19200; Factory-set between Masters and Slaves, 9600</p>	<p><b>Comm Link (continued)</b></p> <p><b>Addressing:</b> User-set with external, wire jumpers, 1-31</p> <p><b>Power Supply</b> 11-30Vdc; Load: 2-6 Watts depending on module type</p> <p><b>Ambient Conditions</b> <b>Operating Range:</b> 0°C to +65°C (23°F to 150°F)  <b>Storage Range:</b> 0°C to +85°C (32°F to 185°F)  <b>Relative Humidity:</b> 10 to 90%, non-condensing  <b>Ambient Temperature Effect:</b> ±0.015% per °C</p> <p><b>Controls</b> External jumpers used to set baud rate and address (Masterless modules only)</p> <p><b>Weight</b> 580g (1.7 lbs)</p>	
Digital Input Modules Ⓜ Slave or Masterless			
<p><b>Performance</b> <b>Scan Rate:</b> Each channel is updated 100 times per sec  <b>Isolation:</b> 500Vdc between each Comm Link; 500Vdc between Comm Links and Power connections; and 500Vdc between Comm Links, Power, and input channels  <b>Impedance:</b> 3300½  <b>Maximum Input Voltage:</b> 30Vdc  <b>Threshold:</b> Guaranteed high state above 7V, guaranteed low state under 0.5V</p> <p><b>Comm Link</b> <b>Between Masterless modules and Host:</b> RS-485 multi-drop; two, independent Comm Links continuously maintained</p>	<p><b>Comm Link (continued)</b></p> <p><b>Between Slaves and Masters:</b> RS-232 direct connection; each Slave to one channel on the Master  <b>Range:</b> 1.6 km (1 mi) typical, for Master or Masterless modules communicating with the Host at 9600 baud over 20AWG twisted pair; 0.8 km (0.5 mi), typical, at 19.2k baud; 15 m (50 ft) between Slaves and Master modules  <small>See NOTE below</small>  <b>Protocol:</b> MODBUS RTU for Masters and Masterless modules to the Host; Master-Slave communications use a proprietary protocol  <b>Baud Rate:</b> User-set between Masters and Host, 2400, 4800, 9600, or 19200; Factory-set between Masters and Slaves, 9600</p>	<p><b>Comm Link (continued)</b></p> <p><b>Addressing:</b> User-set with external, wire jumpers, 1-31</p> <p><b>Power Supply</b> 11-30Vdc; Load: 2-4 Watts depending on module type</p> <p><b>Ambient Conditions</b> <b>Operating Range:</b> 0°C to +65°C (23°F to 150°F)  <b>Storage Range:</b> 0°C to +85°C (32°F to 185°F)  <b>Relative Humidity:</b> 10 to 90%, non-condensing</p> <p><b>Controls</b> External jumpers used to set baud rate and address (Masterless modules only)</p> <p><b>Weight</b> 580g (1.7 lbs)</p>	

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## Specifications

### Digital Output Modules (Open Collector) Ⓜ Slave or Masterless

<p><b>Performance</b> <b>Scan Rate:</b> Each channel updated 100 times per sec <b>Isolation:</b> 500Vdc between each Comm Link; 500Vdc between Comm Links and Power; 500Vdc between Comm Links and output channels <b>Output Transistor Rating:</b> Maximum ON Current, 200mA; Maximum OFF Voltage: 40Vdc</p>	<p><b>Comm Link (continued)</b> <b>Range:</b> 1.6 km (1 mi) typical, for Master or Masterless modules communicating with the Host at 9600 baud over 20AWG twisted pair; 0.8 km (0.5 mi) typical, at 19.2k baud; 15 m (50 ft) between Slaves and Master modules See Note below <b>Protocol:</b> MODBUS RTU for Masters and Masterless modules to the Host; Master-Slave communications use a proprietary protocol <b>Baud Rate:</b> User-set between Masters and Host, 2400, 4800, 9600, or 19200; factory-set between Masters and Slaves, 9600 <b>Addressing:</b> User-set with external, wire jumpers, 1-31</p>	<p><b>Power Supply</b> 11-30Vdc; Load: 2-4 Watts depending on module type</p> <p><b>Ambient Conditions</b> <b>Operating Range:</b> Ⓜ5;C to +65;C (23;F to 150;F) <b>Storage Range:</b> Ⓜ25;C to +85;C (Ⓜ13;F to 185;F) <b>Relative Humidity:</b> 10-90%, non-condensing</p> <p><b>Controls</b> External jumpers used to set baud rate and address (Masterless modules only)</p> <p><b>Weight</b> 580g (1.7 lbs)</p>
<p><b>Comm Link</b> <b>Between Masterless modules and Host:</b> RS-485 multi-drop; two, independent Comm Links continuously maintained <b>Between Slaves and Masters:</b> RS-232 direct connection; each Slave to one channel on the master</p>		

### Relay Output Modules Ⓜ Slave or Masterless

<p><b>Performance</b> <b>Scan Rate:</b> Each channel updated 100 times per sec <b>Isolation:</b> 500Vdc between each Comm Link; 500Vdc between Comm Links and Power; 500Vdc between Comm Links, Power, and output channels; and 250Vdc between output channels</p>	<p><b>Comm Link (continued)</b> <b>Between Slaves and Masters:</b> RS-232 direct connection; each Slave to one channel on the Master <b>Range:</b> 1.6 km (1 mi) typical, for Master or Masterless modules communicating with the Host at 9600 baud over 20AWG twisted pair; 0.8 km (0.5 mi), typical, at 19.2k baud; 15 m (50 ft) between Slaves and Master modules See NOTE below <b>Protocol:</b> MODBUS RTU for Masters and Masterless modules to the Host; Master-Slave communications use a proprietary protocol <b>Baud Rate:</b> User-set between Masters and Host, 2400, 4800, 9600, or 19200; Factory-set between Masters and Slaves, 9600</p>	<p><b>Comm Link (continued)</b> <b>Addressing:</b> User-set with external, wire jumpers, 1-31</p> <p><b>Power Supply</b> 11-30Vdc; Load: 2-4 Watts depending on module type</p> <p><b>Ambient Conditions</b> <b>Operating Range:</b> Ⓜ5;C to +65;C (23;F to 150;F) <b>Storage Range:</b> Ⓜ25;C to +85;C (Ⓜ13;F to 185;F) <b>Relative Humidity:</b> 10-90%, non-condensing</p> <p><b>Controls</b> External jumpers used to set baud rate and address (Masterless modules only)</p> <p><b>Weight</b> 580g (1.7 lbs)</p>
<p><b>Contacts</b> 8-channel modules are SPDT, rated for 3A at both 24Vdc and 110Vac; 12-channel modules are normally open (NO), SPST, rated for 1A at 24Vdc, and 0.5A at 110Vac</p>		
<p><b>Comm Link</b> <b>Between Masterless modules and Host:</b> RS-485 multi-drop; two, independent Comm Links continuously maintained</p>		

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(Specifications listings continue)



## Specifications *(continued from page 5)*

### RTD input Modules $\bar{D}$ Slave or Masterless

<p><b>Performance</b> <b>Accuracy:</b> <math>\pm 0.25\%</math> of reading, <math>\pm 0.25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> (0.45<math>\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math>) <b>Resolution:</b> <math>\pm 0.1\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> (0.18<math>\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math>) <b>Scan Rate:</b> Each channel scanned every 1.3 seconds <b>Isolation:</b> 500Vdc between each Comm Link; 500Vdc between Comm Links and Power; and 500Vdc between Comm Links, Power, and input channels</p> <p><b>RTD Type</b> 3-wire, 100 Pt (DIN43760: 1980 and BS1904: 1984 <math>\alpha = 0.385</math>) <b>Range:</b> <math>\bar{D}150\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> to <math>+850\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> (<math>\bar{D}238\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math> to 1562<math>\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math>) <b>Linearity:</b> <math>\pm 0.1\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> (<math>\pm 0.1\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math>) <b>Excitation Current:</b> 1.4mA</p> <p><b>Between Masterless modules and Host:</b></p> <p><b>Comm Link</b> RS-485 multi-drop; two, independent Comm Links continuously maintained</p>	<p><b>Comm Link (continued)</b></p> <p><b>Between Slaves and Masters:</b> RS-232 direct connection; each Slave to one channel on the Master <b>Range:</b> 1.6 km (1 mi) typical, for Master or Masterless modules communicating with the Host at 9600 baud over 20AWG twisted pair; 0.8 km (0.5 mi), typical, at 19.2k baud; 15 m (50 ft) between Slaves and Master modules See NOTE below <b>Protocol:</b> MODBUS RTU for Masters and Masterless modules to the Host; Master-Slave communications use a proprietary protocol <b>Baud Rate:</b> User-set between Masters and Host, 2400, 4800, 9600, or 19200; Factory-set between Masters and Slaves, 9600</p>	<p><b>Comm Link (continued)</b></p> <p><b>Addressing:</b> User-set with external, wire jumpers, 1-31</p> <p><b>Power Supply</b> 11-30Vdc; Load: 2-4 Watts depending on module type</p> <p><b>Ambient Conditions</b> <b>Operating Range:</b> <math>\bar{D}5\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> to <math>+65\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> (23<math>\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math> to 150<math>\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math>) <b>Storage Range:</b> <math>\bar{D}25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> to <math>+85\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> (<math>\bar{D}13\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math> to 185<math>\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math>) <b>Relative Humidity:</b> 10 to 90%, non-condensing <b>Ambient Temperature Effect:</b> <math>\pm 0.018\%</math> per <math>\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math></p> <p><b>Controls</b> External jumpers used to set baud rate and address (Masterless modules only)</p> <p><b>Weight</b> 580g (1.7 lbs)</p>
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### Thermocouple Input Modules $\bar{D}$ Slave or Masterless

<p><b>Performance</b> <b>Accuracy:</b> <math>\pm 3\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> (5.4<math>\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math>) <b>Resolution:</b> 0.5<math>\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> (0.9<math>\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math>) <b>Update Rate:</b> Each channel scanned 200 times per sec <b>Isolation:</b> 500Vdc between each Comm Link; 500Vdc between Comm Links and Power; and 500Vdc between Comm Links, Power, and input channels <b>Bias Current:</b> 100nA <b>Input Impedance:</b> <math>&gt;10\text{M}</math> <b>Common Mode Rejection:</b> 110dB @ 60Hz</p> <p><b>Thermocouple</b> Type K with range <math>\bar{D}100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> to <math>+1372\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> (<math>\bar{D}148\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math> to 2502<math>\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math>); Type J with range <math>\bar{D}100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> to <math>+760\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> (<math>\bar{D}148\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math> to 1400<math>\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math>) <b>Reference Junction Compensation:</b> <math>\pm 0.02\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> per degree of shift <b>Upscale Drive,</b> on open sensor, standard</p>	<p><b>Comm Link (continued)</b></p> <p><b>Between Masterless modules and Host:</b> RS-485 multi-drop; two independent Comm Links continuously maintained <b>Between Slaves and Masters:</b> RS-232 direct connection; each Slave to one channel on the Master <b>Range:</b> 1.6 km (1 mi) typical, for Master of Masterless modules communicating with the Host at 9600 baud over 20AWG twisted pair; 0.8 km (0.5 mi), typical, at 19.2k baud; 15 m (50 ft) between Slaves and Master modules See NOTE below <b>Protocol:</b> MODBUS RTU for Masters and Masterless modules to the Host; Master-Slave communications use a proprietary protocol</p>	<p><b>Comm Link (continued)</b></p> <p><b>Baud Rate:</b> User-set between Masters and Host, 2400, 4800, 9600, or 19200; Factory-set between Masters and Slaves, 9600 <b>Addressing:</b> User-set with external, wire jumpers, 1-31</p> <p><b>Power Supply</b> 11-30Vdc; Load: 2-4 Watts depending on module type</p> <p><b>Ambient Conditions</b> <b>Operating Range:</b> <math>\bar{D}5\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> to <math>+65\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> (<math>\bar{D}23\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math> to 150<math>\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math>) <b>Storage Range:</b> <math>\bar{D}25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> to <math>+85\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math> (<math>\bar{D}13\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math> to 185<math>\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}</math>) <b>Relative Humidity:</b> 10 to 90%, non-condensing <b>Ambient Temperature Effect on Amplifier:</b> <math>\pm 0.02\%</math> per <math>\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}</math></p> <p><b>Controls</b> External jumpers used to set baud rate and address (Masterless modules only)</p> <p><b>Weight</b> 580g (1.7 lbs)</p>
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## Peer-to-Host



### Throughput

Throughput is defined as the amount of time it takes, data to get from signal input to Host or Host to signal output. Use the following formula:

$$T_1 + T_2 + T_3$$

Where:

$T_1$  = The period in which an I/O channel is scanned by a Slave or Masterless module:

- 5 milliseconds for an all-analog or T/C input module
- 1.3 seconds for an RTD input module
- 10 milliseconds for analog or discrete (digital) output modules, for discrete (digital) input modules, or for relay output modules

$T_2$  = (Applies to Master-Slave configuration only. If Masterless  $T_2=0$ ) The period in which a Master scans its Slave channels:

- 75 milliseconds, typical, for a Master with 12 discrete (digital) Slave modules
- 200 milliseconds, typical, for a Master with 12 analog Slave modules
- 75-200 milliseconds for Masters scanning a combination of analog and discrete Slave modules

$T_3$  = The communication time for signals passing between the Master or Masterless module and the Host. Typically, over a twisted pair link set at 9600 baud and reading the entire database of the Master or Masterless module, the time is:

- 50 milliseconds for an all-analog Masterless module
- 30 milliseconds for an all-discrete (digital) Masterless module
- 340 milliseconds for an all-analog Slave Master-Slave node
- 60 milliseconds for an all-discrete (digital) Slave Master-Slave node

## Ordering Information

Unit	Module Type	Input/Output Configuration	Power	Options	Housing
DDS	<p><b>MH</b> Master Module, Peer-to-host (31 per system, maximum)</p> <p><b>S</b> Slave Module (12 per Master; 372 per system, maximum in Peer-to-Host)</p> <p><b>MLH</b> Masterless Module, Peer-to-Host (31 per system, maximum)</p>	<p><b>S12</b> 12 Slave channels (This selection is required with the Master (MH) module)</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> The following selections are not available with the Master (MH) module.</p> <p><b>RT18</b> 8 RTD Inputs (3-wire, 100½ platinum, -100°C to +700°C)</p> <p><b>TJ110</b> 10 J-type T/C Inputs (-210°C to +760°C, -346°F to +1400°F)</p> <p><b>TKI10</b> 10 K-type T/C Inputs (-270°C to +1372°C, -454°F to +2502°F)</p> <p><b>TTI10</b> 10 T-type T/C Inputs (-270°C to +400°C, -454°F to +752°F)</p> <p><b>AI12xx</b> 12 Analog Inputs (replace <b>xx</b> with <b>20MA</b> for 4-20mA, with <b>2V</b> for 0-2Vdc, <b>5V</b> for 0-5Vdc, or with <b>10V</b> for 0-10Vdc)</p> <p><b>AO820MA</b> 8 Analog Outputs (4-20mA)</p> <p><b>DI21</b> 21 Discrete Inputs (externally powered, 11-30Vdc)</p> <p><b>DO21</b> 21 Discrete Outputs (open collector 200mA, 40Vdc)</p> <p><b>RO8</b> 8 Relay Outputs (SPDT, rated 3A @ 24Vdc and 110Vac)</p> <p><b>RO12</b> 12 Relay Outputs (Normally open SPST, rated 1A @ 24dc and 0.5A @ 110Vac)</p>	11-30DC	Consult factory for information on optional Baud rates and parity settings	<p><b>DIN</b> A.B.S. Nylon housing with removable terminal blocks; mounts on standard Top Hat rail (DIN 46277-3)</p>

## I/O EXPRESS Model Numbers

To order additional or replacement modules for your system, specify the following, in order:

Product / Module / I/O Configuration / Power / Options (if installed)[Housing]

- For a Slave accepting 12, 4-20mA inputs:  
**DDS / S / AI1220MA / 11-30DC / [DIN]**
- For a Master module with radio modem capability:  
**DDS / MH / S12 / 11-30DC / -RADIO [DIN]**

## Installation

Perform the steps for *I/O EXPRESS* installation as follows:

1. Configure the baud rate and communications address of each Master and Masterless module to be installed in the application. Use the baud rate of the Host.

***IMPORTANT***

*DO NOT set any baud rate or address jumpers on Slave modules.*

2. Connect the Slaves (if any) to their Masters.
3. Physically install each module and wire the Comm Link(s).
4. Connect the appropriate power supply (supplies) and sensors/transmitters/ discrete devices.

## Setting Master/Masterless Baud Rate

To set Master and Masterless baud rate, connect wire jumpers between terminals 14, 15 and "C". Table 1 lists the available jumper combinations.

Table 1. Setting I/O EXPRESS Module Baud Rate

To get this Baud Rate	Connect each terminal to "C"	
	14	15
2400	●	●
4800	●	
9600		
19200		●

(No jumpers)

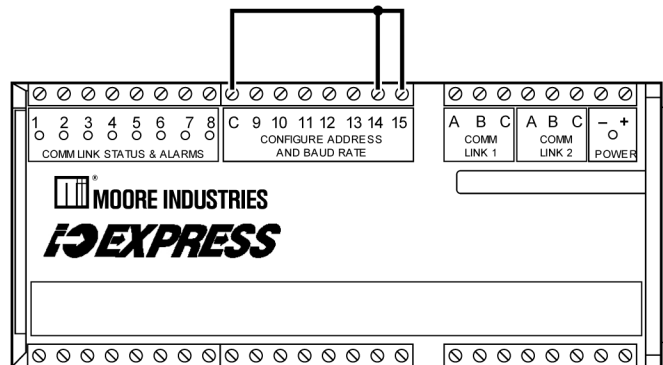
***IMPORTANT***

*Set the baud rate the same for all Masters and/or Masterless modules in a system, and make sure that the modules' baud rates match the Host's.*

*DO NOT set the baud rate jumpers on Slave modules.*

Figure 2 illustrates setting 2400 baud.

Figure 2. Setting I/O EXPRESS Module Baud Rate to 2400 (Masters and Masterless Modules ONLY)

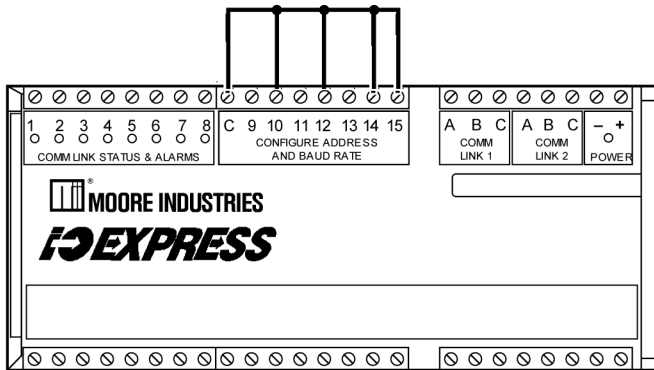


## Setting the Masterless/Master Communications Address

As with the baud rate, Master and Masterless modules' addresses are "programmed in" by connecting a particular combination of terminals to the "C" terminal in the "Configure Address and Baud Rate" block on each unit's top panel. Terminals 9 through 13 are set aside for this purpose. Table 2 gives the combinations of jumpers needed to configure each unit with its address. There are 31 available.

For example, figure 3 shows the module from figure 2 with an additional configuration for an address of "21".

**Figure 3.** Setting I/O EXPRESS Module Address (Masters and Masterless Modules ONLY)



## Redundant Links

Both of the I/O EXPRESS Comm Links are fully functional during normal system operations. Either can be connected to the Host, or each can be attached to comm ports on separate Hosts for redundant communications. Both Links maintain a database of all system I/O and data during normal operation. If traffic over Link #1 is ever interrupted, all of the data in the system is accessible through Link #2, and vice-versa. Communications may continue without loss of data.

Since Comm Link #1 and Comm Link #2 are redundant in this way, a single Slave can be connected to two Master modules to provide backup of critical I/O. Figure 4 illustrates this type of backup redundancy.

**Table 2.** Setting I/O EXPRESS Module Address

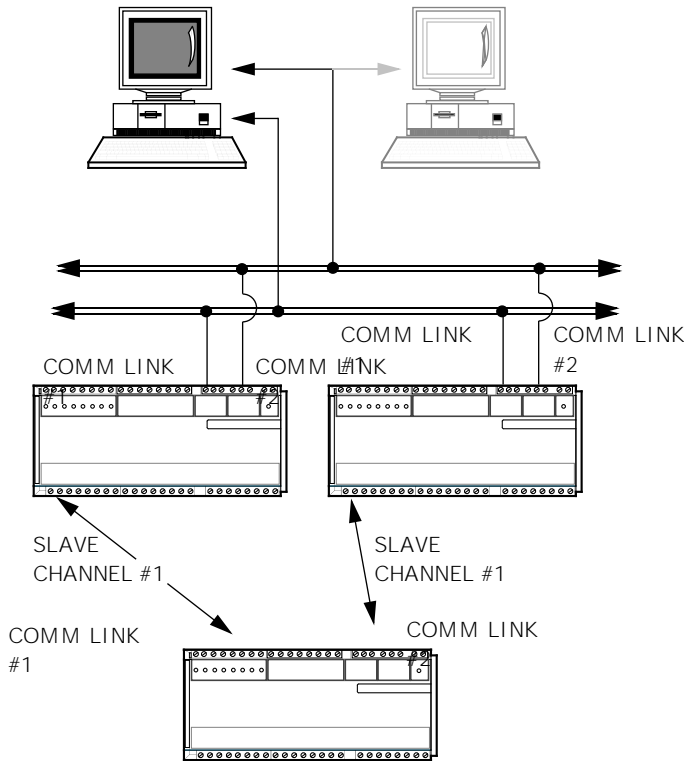
To get this address	Connect each of these terminals to "C"				
	9	10	11	12	13
0	DO NOT USE				
1		●	●	●	●
2	●		●	●	●
3			●	●	●
4	●	●		●	●
5		●		●	●
6	●			●	●
7				●	●
8	●	●	●		●
9	●		●		●
10	●		●		●
11			●		●
12	●	●			●
13		●			●
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15					●
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21		●		●	
22	●			●	
23	●	●	●	●	●
24	●	●	●		
25		●	●		
26	●		●		
27			●		
28	●	●			
29		●			
30	●				
31	Factory-Set Default (no jumpers)				

**Important:**

DO NOT set the address jumpers on Slave modules

Connecting two Slave modules to the same I/O, and connecting each Slave to two Masters provides excellent backup.

**Figure 4.** Using I/O EXPRESS Redundant Hookups



CONNECT REDUNDANT  
LINK TO SEPARATE CHANNELS OF  
ONE MASTER MODULE, OR TO A  
SEPARATE MASTER MODULE

### Mounting the I/O EXPRESS on DIN Rail

A compact, DIN-style unit, I/O EXPRESS modules mount on standard, 35 mm, Top Hat rail (EN50022 or 46277-3). Figure 5 shows the housing dimensions.

To install the I/O EXPRESS on DIN rail:

1. Locate the mounting clips; two, black, sliding fixtures on the back of the housing. Each is equipped with a locking tab (see Figure 6, inset).
2. Slide each clip downward and while sliding, press the locking tabs inward, until the tabs lock into an open position. A small screwdriver or the point of a pencil works well for pressing the locking tabs in.

With the tabs locked, the mounting clips will stay up in an open position.

3. Seat the top extrusions of the housing over the upper edge of the Hat rail, and pivot the module around that upper edge of the rail until the mounting clips slide over the bottom edge of the rail.
4. Use a small screwdriver or pencil tip to release the locking tabs by pressing them outward, away from the unit.

To remove the I/O EXPRESS from DIN rail, slide a screwdriver into each of the mounting clips. Pull the clips down with the tip of the screwdriver while pivoting the I/O EXPRESS and screwdriver handles upward.

**Note:**

*When mounting the I/O Express in multi-tiered applications, allow enough vertical space between rows of units to permit removal of the unit.*

Figure 5. Dimensions of the I/O EXPRESS Housing

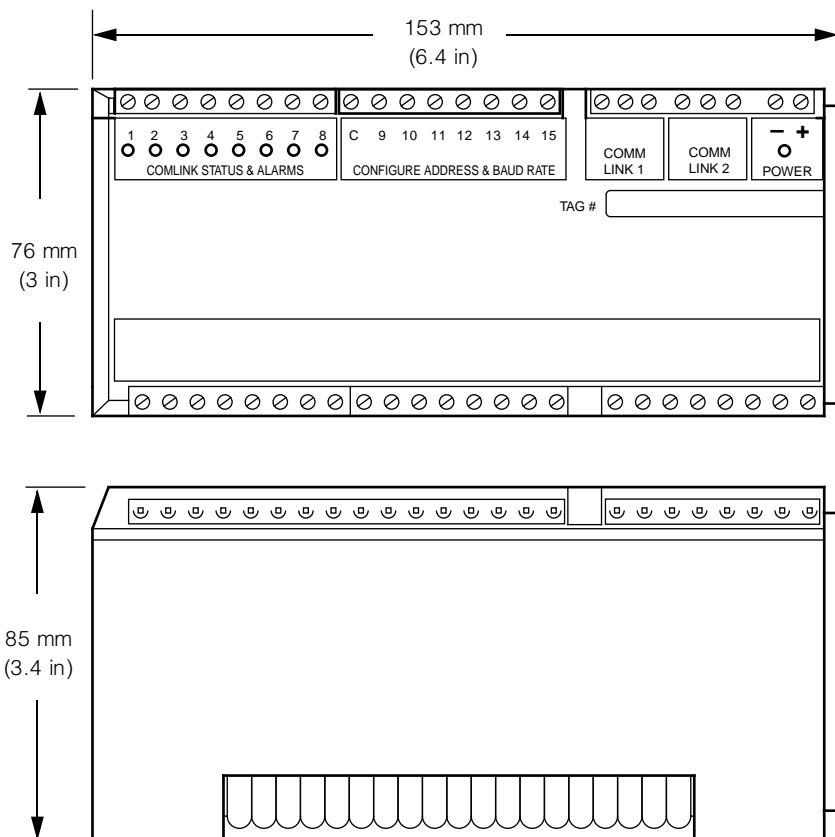
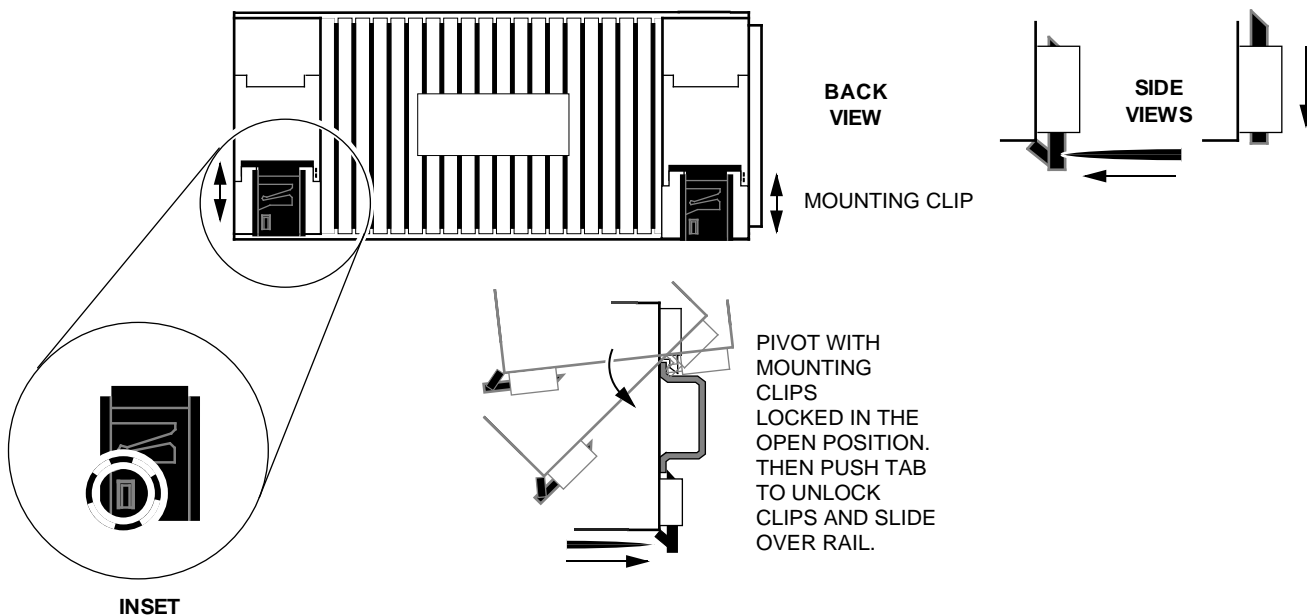


Figure 6. Installing the I/O EXPRESS – Mounting Clips and Locking Tabs



## Making Electrical and Communications Link Connections

Figure 7 shows how to multi-drop Master and Masterless modules along the Comm Link(s), how to connect Slaves to Masters, and how to connect power to all modules in the system.

## Making Connections to Field Instruments — Summary

Note that Figure 7 does not show any field device (I/O) hook-ups to the Masterless and/or Slave modules. The illustrations immediately following Figure 7 provide that information:

- Figure 8 shows how to connect analog inputs
- Figure 9 shows how to connect analog outputs
- Figure 10 shows how to connect 21 discrete inputs
- Figure 11 shows how to connect 21 discrete (open collector) outputs
- Figure 12 shows how to connect 8 relay outputs
- Figure 13 shows how to connect 12 relay outputs
- Figure 14 shows how to connect 8 RTD inputs
- Figure 15 shows how to connect 10 T/C inputs

### **IMPORTANT:**

*Do not attach jumpers or wiring to the “CONFIGURE ADDRESS AND BAUD RATE” terminals of I/O EXPRESS Slave modules.*

*The address of each connected Slave is controlled by its Master, and the baud rate for communications between Master and Slave modules is set at the factory (9600 baud).*

*Jumpering these terminals will disable communications to the Slave, and cause communications errors, system-wide.*

## Recommended Ground Wiring Practices

The following ground wiring practices must be followed to ensure proper performance of the **I/O EXPRESS**:

- Where practical, all input signals to, and output signals from, Moore Industries' products should be wired using a shielded, twisted pair technique. Shields are to be connected to an earth or safety ground at one point only.
- RS485 wiring should be shielded, twisted pair. The shield should maintain continuity over the entire link, and be earth grounded at only one location.
- RS232 wiring should be shielded 3-conductor cable. Shields for all links between a Master and its 12 slaves should be left open at the Slave ends, and should be tied together and earth grounded at the Master end.

## CE Conformity

Installation of any Moore Industries products that carry the CE certification (Commission Electrotechnique) **must** adhere to the guidelines above in order to meet the requirements set forth in applicable EMC (Electromagnetic Compatibility) directives (EN 55011, EN 50082-1, EN 50082-2, etc.)

## Peer-to-Host

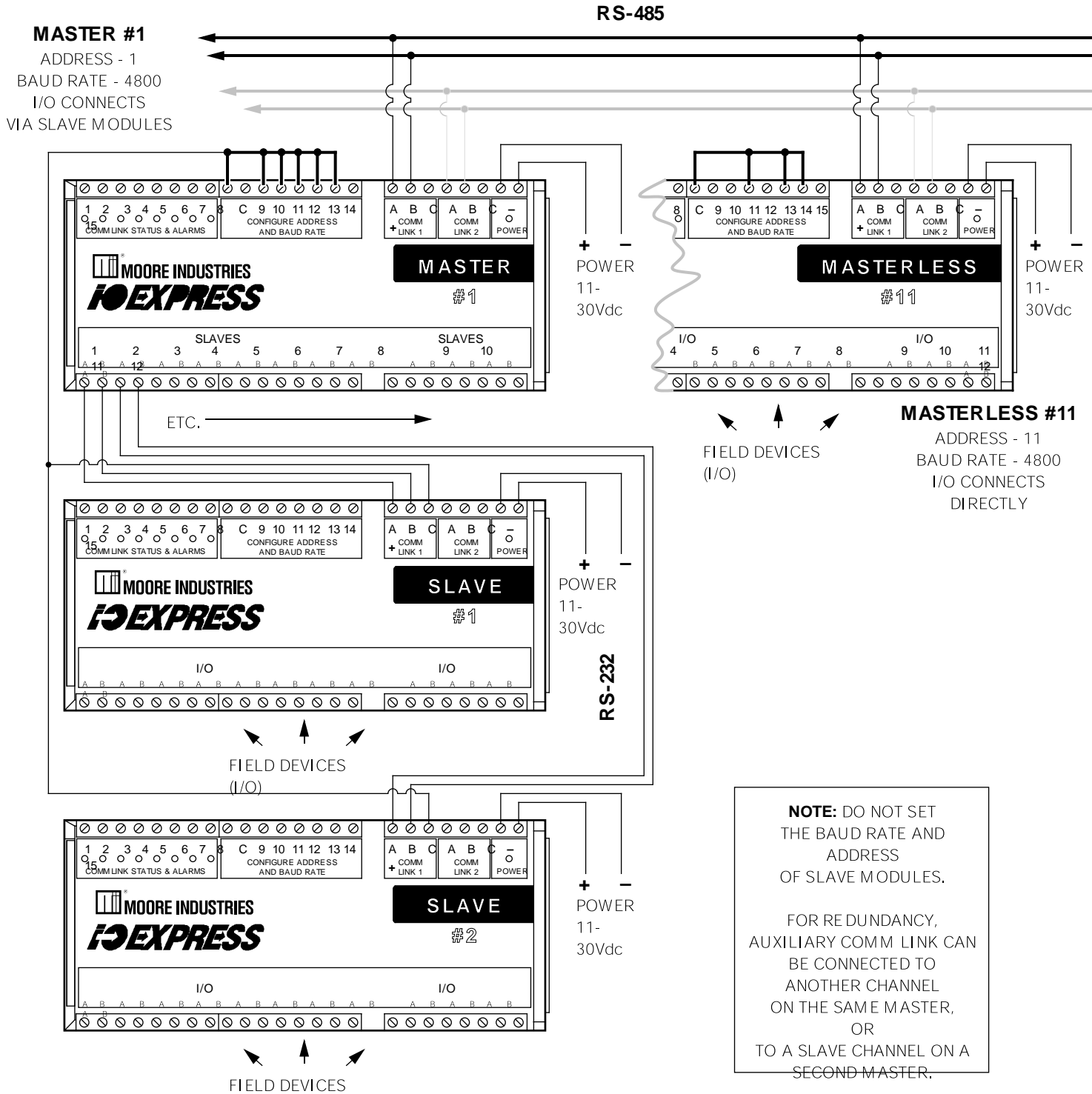
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Figure 7. Connecting Pairs of I/O EXPRESS Masters (and Masterless Modules), and Slaves to Masters



# Peer-to-Host

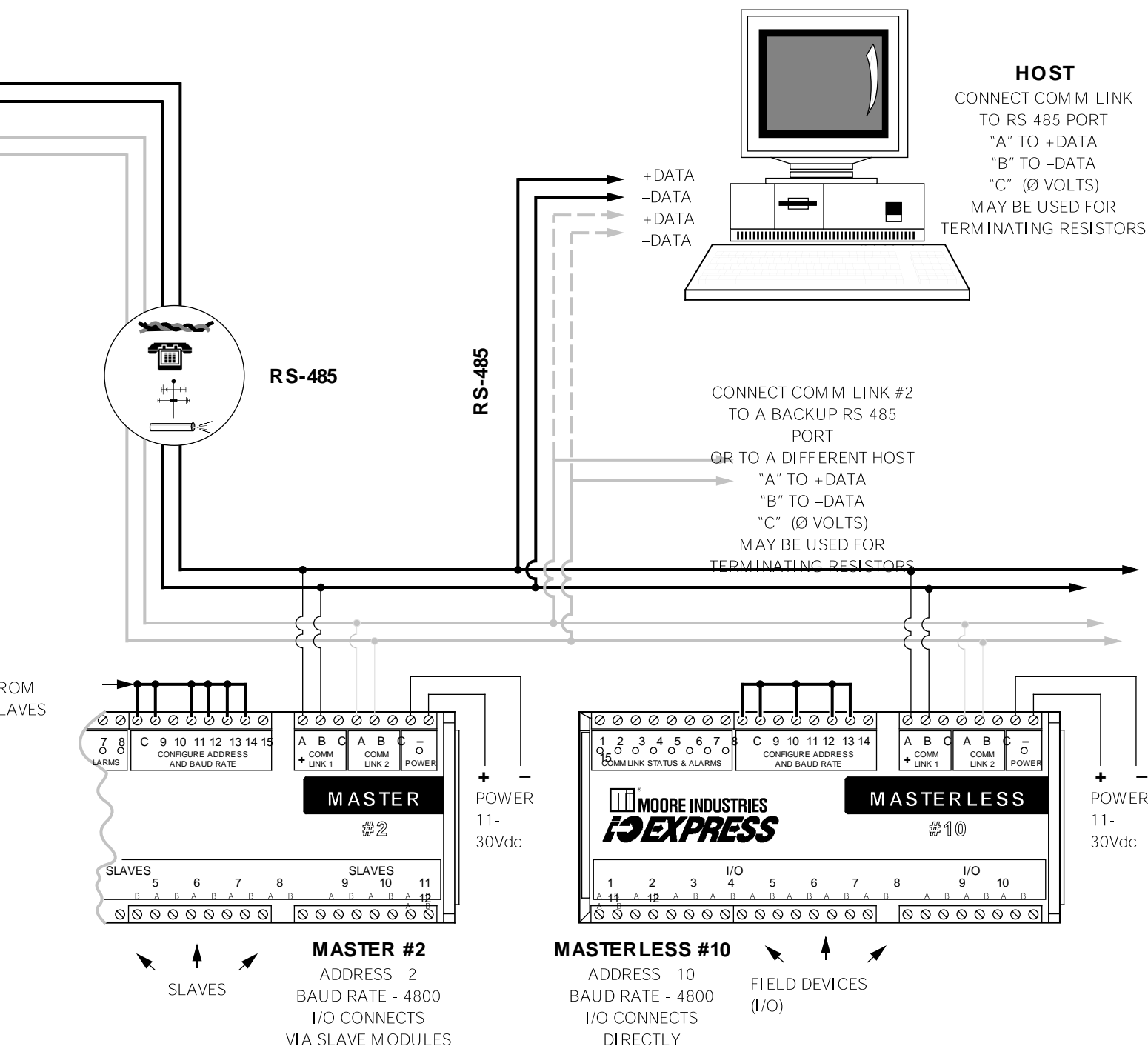
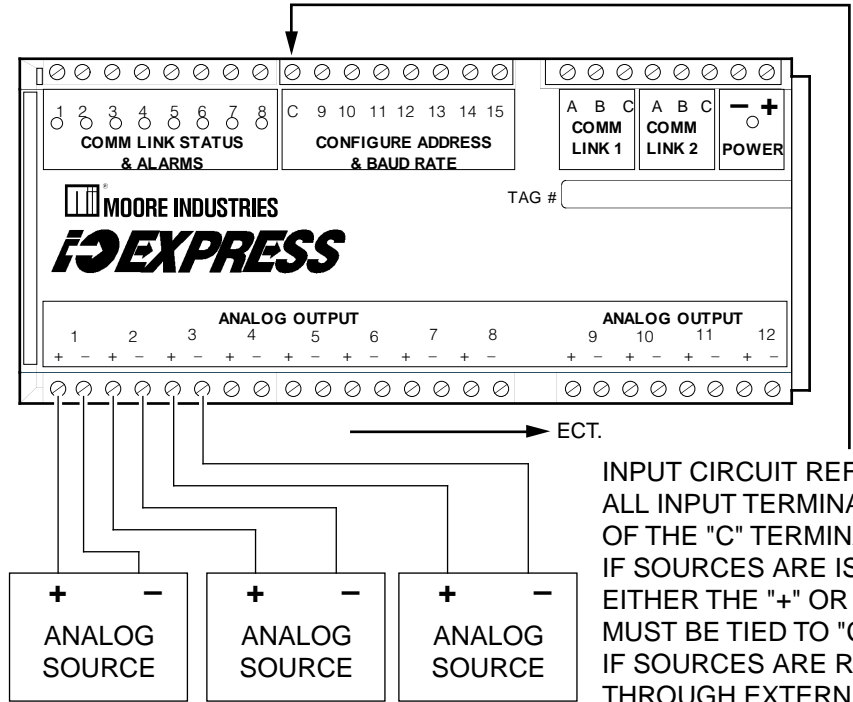
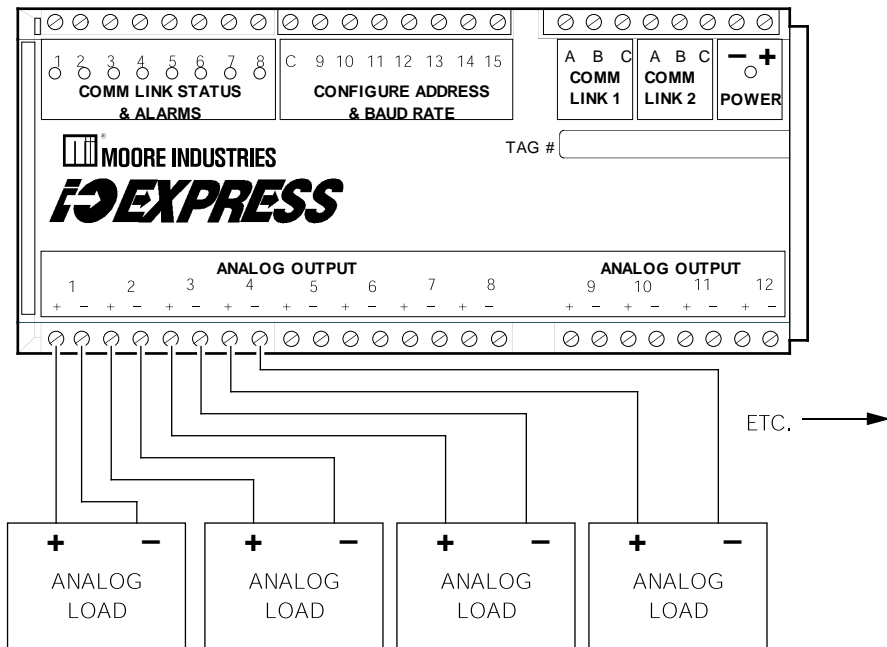


Figure 8. Connecting Multiple Analog Inputs to I/O EXPRESS Slaves or Masterless Modules



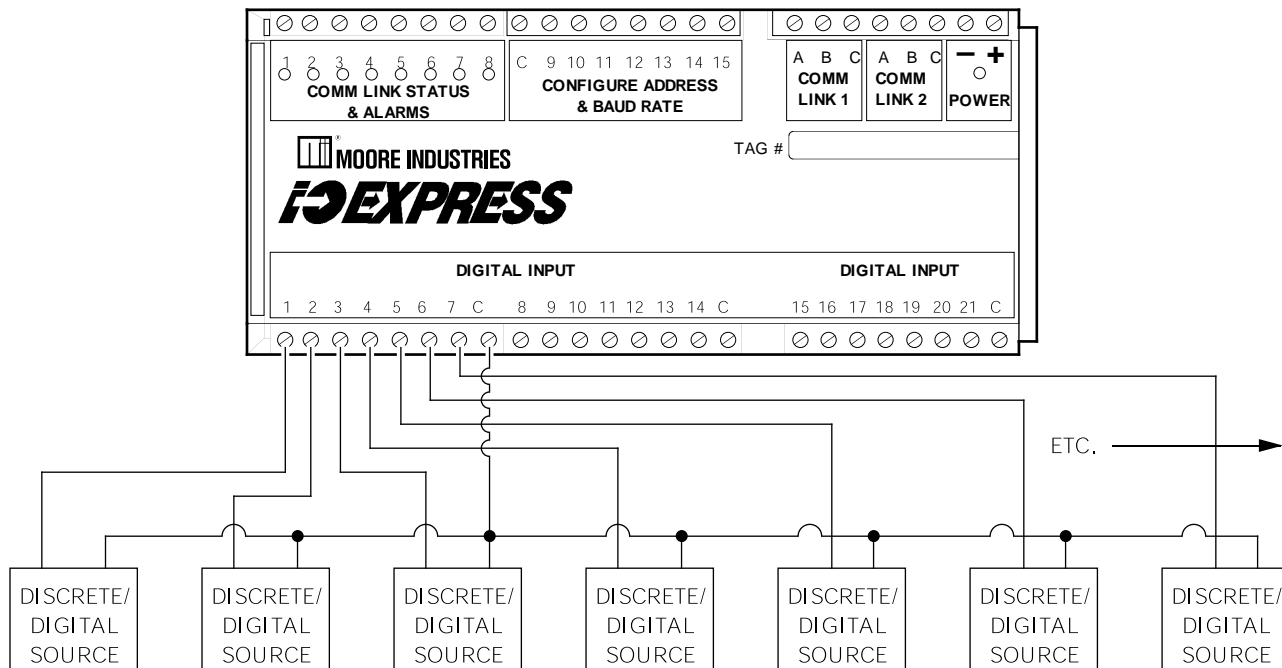
INPUT CIRCUIT REFERENCE.  
 ALL INPUT TERMINALS MUST BE WITHIN  $\pm 7V$  OF THE "C" TERMINAL.  
 IF SOURCES ARE ISOLATED FROM EACH OTHER EITHER THE "+" OR "-" TERMINAL OF EACH INPUT MUST BE TIED TO "C".  
 IF SOURCES ARE REFERENCED TO EACH OTHER THROUGH EXTERNAL CIRCUITRY ANY EXTERNAL ANY SINGLE NODE MAY BE TIED TO "C".

Figure 9. Connecting Multiple Analog Outputs from I/O EXPRESS Slaves or Masterless Modules to Field Devices



**NOTE:** THE "+" TERMINAL OF THIS MODULE PROVIDES THE VARIABLE CURRENT OUTPUT. THE "-" TERMINAL IS TIED, INTERNALLY, TO THE "-" POWER TERMINAL.

Figure 10. Connecting Multiple, Discrete (Digital) Inputs to I/O EXPRESS Slaves or Masterless Modules



NOTE: POLARITY OF THE INPUT DEVICES IS IMMATERIAL.

Figure 11. Connecting Multiple, Discrete (Digital), Open Collector Outputs from I/O EXPRESS Slaves or Masterless Modules to Field Devices

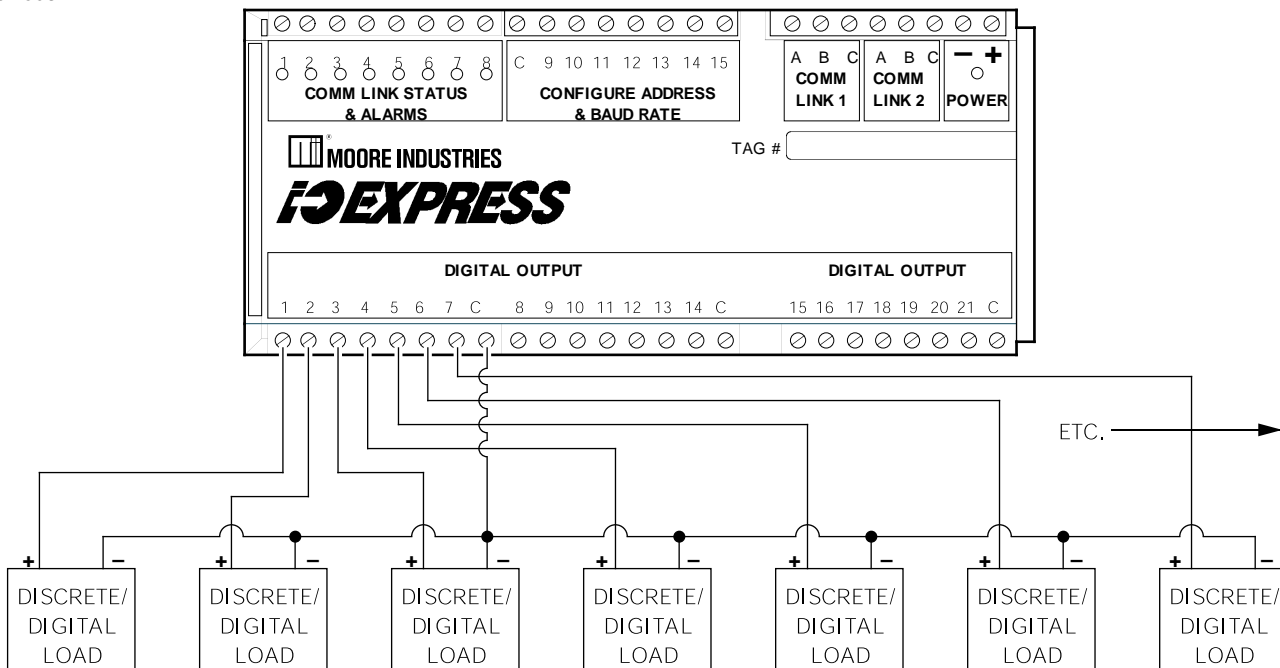


Figure 12. Connecting 8 Relay Outputs from I/O EXPRESS Slaves or Masterless Modules to Field Devices

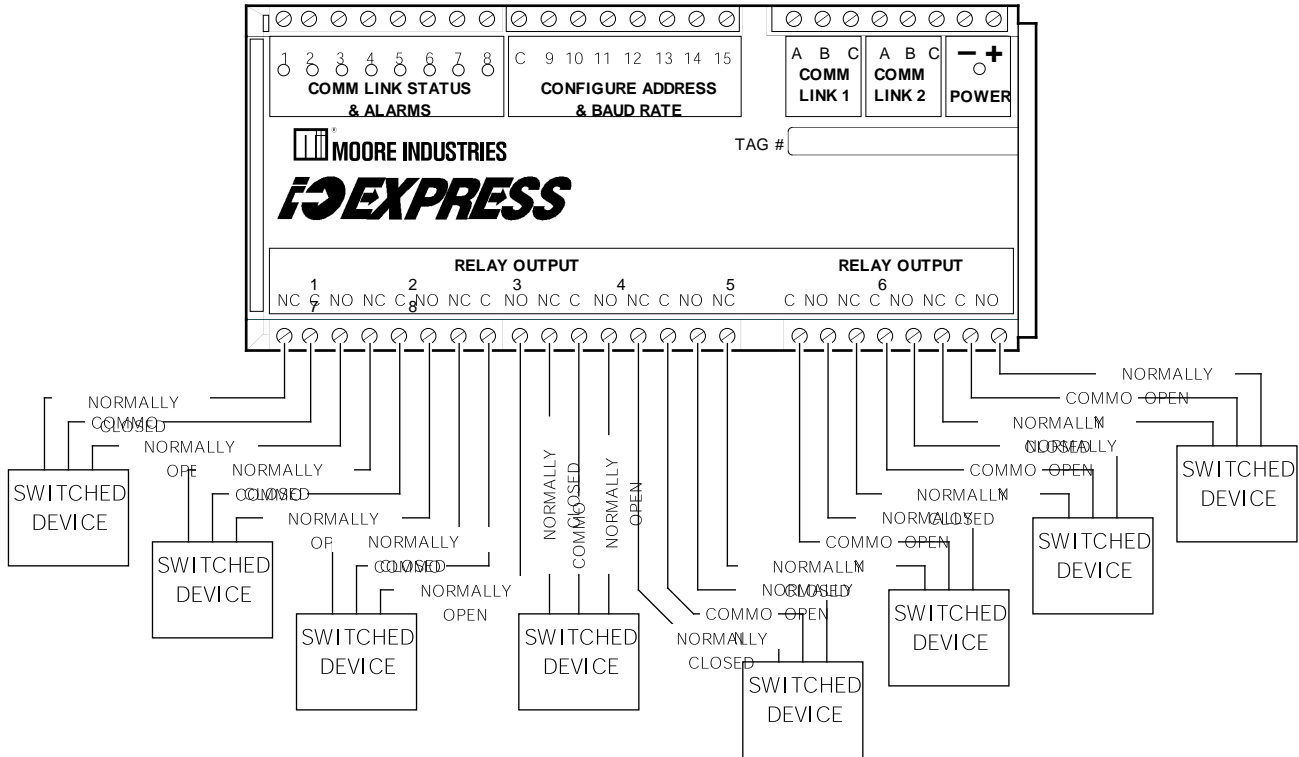


Figure 13. Connecting 12 Relay Outputs from I/O EXPRESS Slaves or Masterless Modules to Field Devices

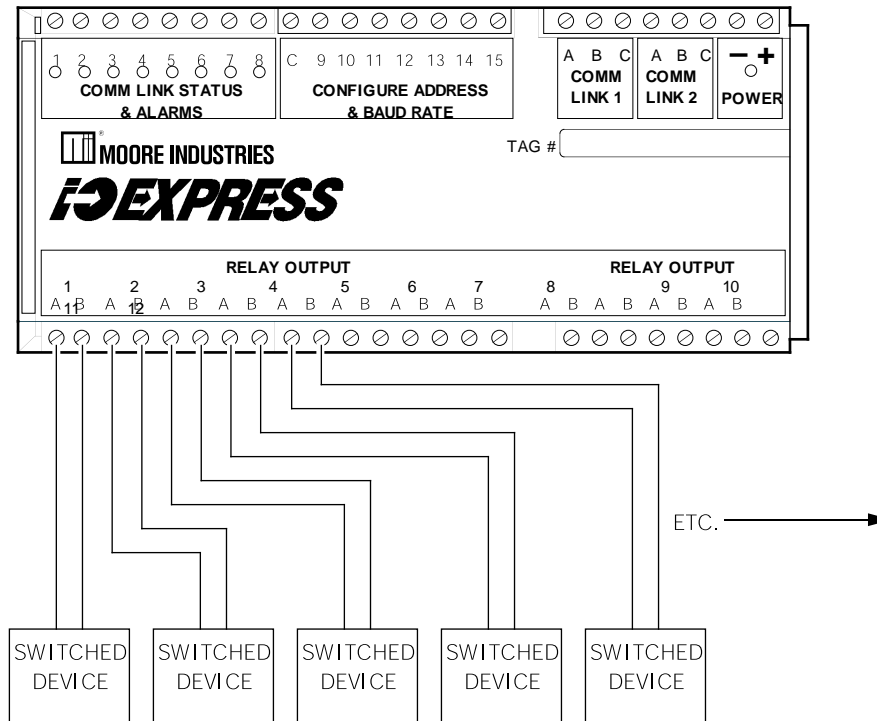


Figure 14. Connecting 8 RTD Inputs to I/O EXPRESS Slaves or Masterless Modules to Field Devices

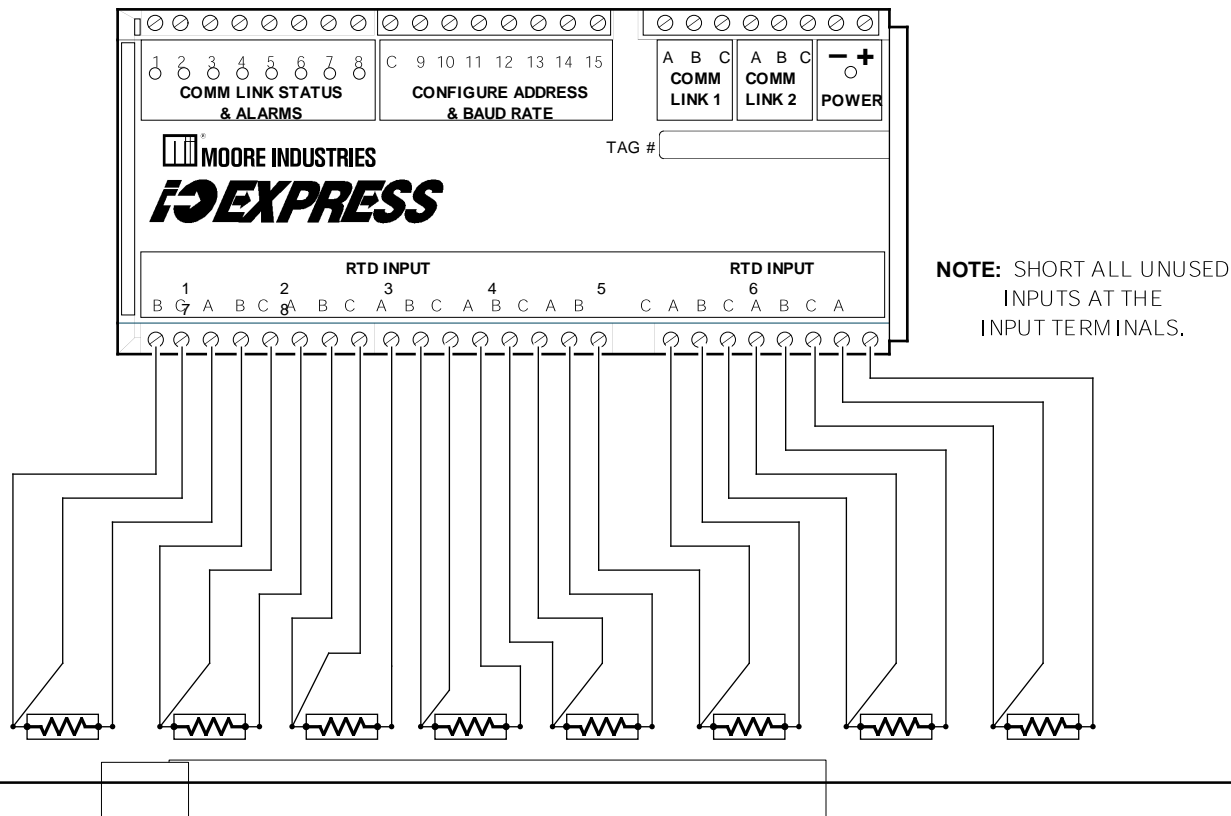
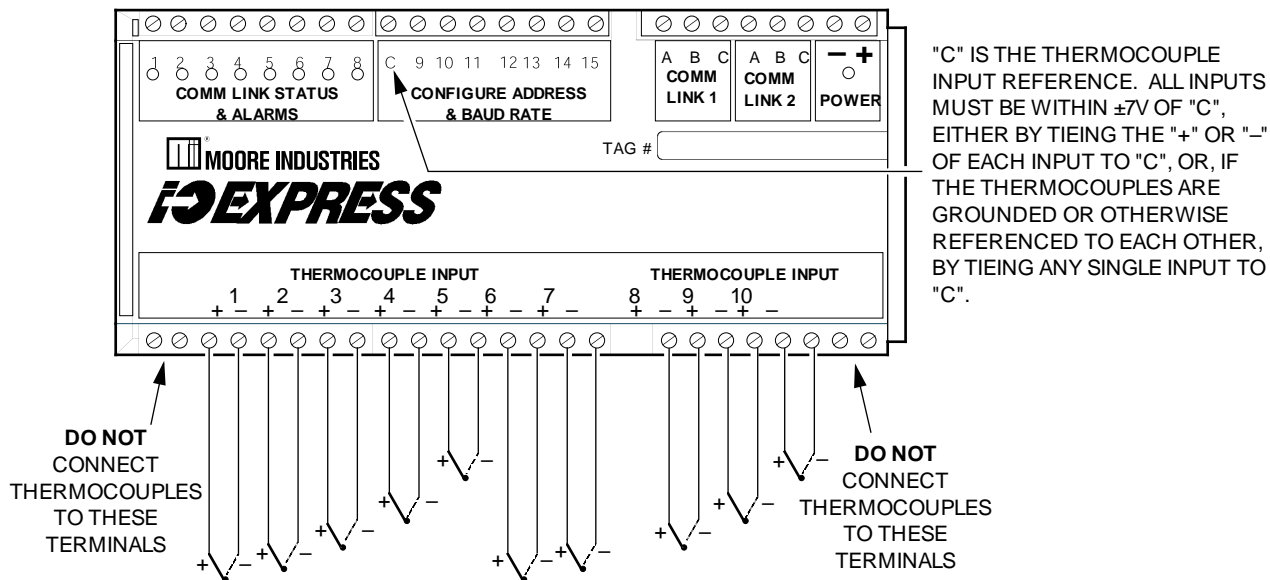


Figure 15. Connecting 10 Thermocouple Inputs to I/O EXPRESS Slaves or Masterless Modules to Field Devices



**NOTE:** TIE ALL UNUSED THERMOCOUPLE INPUTS TO THE "C" TERMINAL OF "CONFIGURE ADDRESS AND BAUD RATE".

## Operation

Once connected properly and supplied with the appropriate power, the modules in the **I/O EXPRESS** are ready to respond with data or to execute output changes based on the receipt of the MODBUS RTU function codes in properly addressed queries from the Host. To learn more about MODBUS queries, refer to the appendix of this manual.

System operation consists of each **I/O EXPRESS** module executing an independent task that constantly refreshes an internal, digital database. The system Host queries individual modules for the contents of these databases using MODBUS queries. Masterless modules are addressed directly. Slave modules are addressed through the Master to which they are connected.

A module's database represents the information on each of its input and/or output channels. Masterless and Slave modules maintain data on the inputs or outputs of field devices, and Master modules maintain the multiplexed, digital data from the Slaves connected to them.

Since the update task is internal and separate from any Host function, all databases are updated continuously during system operation, regardless of whether or not a particular module is queried. This is so that whenever a Master or Masterless module receives a properly addressed MODBUS query from the system Host, the most current data available can be communicated.

## MODBUS Implementation

A subset of the available MODBUS RTU function codes is implemented in the **I/O EXPRESS**. Table 3 lists the available codes. Typically, these codes are incorporated into MODBUS queries by an application running on the Host.

### Accessing Masterless Module Data

To communicate with a Masterless module, the appropriate function code must be incorporated in a valid MODBUS RTU query.

**Table 3.** *I/O EXPRESS Valid MODBUS RTU Function Codes*

MODBUS Function Code	Implementation in the I/O EXPRESS	MODBUS Function Name
01	Read the State (ON/OFF, HI/LO) of the Discrete (Digital) Outputs	Read Coil Status
02	Read the State (ON/OFF, HI/LO) of the Discrete (Digital) Inputs	Read Input Status
03	Read the Level Setting of the Analog Outputs	Read Holding Registers
04	Read the Level Setting of the Analog Inputs	Read Input Registers
05	Change the State of the Discrete (Digital) Outputs	Force Single Coil
06	Change the Level of the Analog Outputs	Preset Single Register
15	Change the State (ON/OFF, HI/LO) of Discrete (Digital) Outputs	Force Multiple Coils
16	Change the Level Setting of the Analog Outputs	Preset Multiple Registers

### Accessing Slave Module Data

As it comes in to the Master, data from each Slave is automatically routed to internal areas, or “bins” in the memory of the Master. Bins are further broken down (in memory) into byte addresses according to channel and the type of signal represented, analog or digital.

Commands to change the state or level of Slave module output channels are processed in the same way, starting with the Host, proceeding through the Master to the Slave addressed by the data byte or bytes in the query.

Table 4 lists the byte addresses of Slave module data in a Master. In the table, column “A” lists the Slave numbers (the input channel on the Master), column “B” lists the I/O channels on the Slave module, column “C” lists the addresses for discrete (digital) data, and column “D” lists the addresses for analog data. To access or effect the I/O connected to a Slave, a MODBUS query that includes the data byte address must first be communicated to the Master module, where it is decoded and sent to the appropriate Slave.

### Temperature and Analog I/O Data

Data for thermocouple, RTD, and Analog input modules may be accessed by MODBUS function codes 03 or 04. The data is in 16-bit signed integer format.

Thermocouple and RTD data is based on temperature: with 0°C input the host reads 0000; the RTD module gives 10 binary counts per °C and thermocouple modules give 2 counts per °C.

For the 4-20mA input or output modules, the host reads (or writes) 0000 to 4095 for the 4-20mA range. Data goes negative below 4mA and is linear to 3.4mA.

For the voltage input modules, data goes from 0000 to 4095 for the 0 to 100% signal range

### Communications Status LEDs and Alarms

There are 8 LEDs in the area of each unit’s top panel labeled “Comm Link Status and Alarms”. These indicate the status of both the unit’s communications to and from the other modules connected on the Comm Link.

Each unit also has 4, open collector transistor outputs tied to the LEDs at terminals 5, 6, 7, and 8. The transistors are common negative at the C terminal of “Configure Address and Baud Rate”. These can be used with simple discrete devices to warn of communications faults.

Table 5 summarizes the way the LEDs and outputs work.

#### **NOTE:**

*Terminals 1 through 6 DO NOT necessarily indicate that either link is “good” or “bad”. If they are not pulsing, it may simply mean that there is no communications activity on that particular Comm Link.*

### Fault Flags

There are twelve fault flags, located at memory addresses 256 through 267 in Master module memory, used to return data on the status of a Master module’s Slave channels. Use the 02 MODBUS RTU function code, ‘Read Discrete Inputs (Read Input Status)’, to find out whether a particular Slave module is on- or off-line.

The 02 code, addressed to the Fault Flag area of memory, returns a 16-bit integer. A binary “0” indicates a good Master-to-Slave link, a “1” indicates that the module at that address is off-line. Disregard the last four (least significant, right-most) bits in the response.

### Complete Systems

Moore Industries configures complete, “turn-key” systems using the **I/O EXPRESS** and our proven line of premium signal conditioners and transmitters. For more information, or for information on how to use the **I/O EXPRESS** in a Peer-to-Peer application, obtain a copy of the Peer-to-Peer Users’ Manual from your Moore Industries Sales Representative, or contact the factory.





Table 4. IO EXPRESS Master Module Slave Data Byte Addressing

A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
<b>1</b>	1	0	0	<b>3</b>	1	42	32	<b>5</b>	1	84	64	<b>7</b>	1	126	96	<b>9</b>	1	168	128	<b>11</b>	1	210	160
	2	1	1		2	43	33		2	85	65		2	127	97		2	169	129		2	211	161
	3	2	2		3	44	34		3	86	66		3	128	98		3	170	130		3	212	162
	4	3	3		4	45	35		4	87	67		4	129	99		4	171	131		4	213	163
	5	4	4		5	46	36		5	88	68		5	130	100		5	172	132		5	214	164
	6	5	5		6	47	37		6	89	69		6	131	101		6	173	133		6	215	165
	7	6	6		7	48	38		7	90	70		7	132	102		7	174	134		7	216	166
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	13	12	12		13	54	44		13	96	76		13	138	108		13	180	140		13	222	172
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	21	20			21	62			21	104			21	146			21	188			21	230	
<b>2</b>	1	21	16	<b>4</b>	1	63	48	<b>6</b>	1	105	80	<b>8</b>	1	147	112	<b>10</b>	1	189	144	<b>12</b>	1	231	176
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	3	23	18		3	65	50		3	107	82		3	149	114		3	191	146		3	233	178
	4	24	19		4	66	51		4	108	83		4	150	115		4	192	147		4	234	179
	5	25	20		5	67	52		5	109	84		5	151	116		5	193	148		5	235	180
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	20	40			20	82			20	124			20	166			20	208			20	250	
	21	41			21	83			21	125			21	167			21	209			21	251	

A = SLAVE MODULE  
 B = SLAVE MODULE  
 C = DISCRETE (DIGITAL) DATA ADDRESS  
 D = ANALOG DATA ADDRESS

Table 5. I/O EXPRESS Comm Link Status and Alarm Outputs

Indication	Terminals/LEDs						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 & 8
Peer-to-Host activity on Comm Link #1	OFF	OFF	DO NOT USE	DO NOT USE	PULSING	OFF	7 is OFF 8 is PULSING
Peer-to-Host activity on Comm Link #2	OFF	OFF	DO NOT USE	DO NOT USE	OFF	PULSING	7 is OFF 8 is PULSING
No Comm Link Activity	OFF	OFF	DO NOT USE	DO NOT USE	OFF	OFF	7 is ON 8 is OFF

## Customer Support

Moore Industries is recognized as the industry leader in delivering top quality to its customers, both in products and services. We perform a battery of stringent quality assurance checks on every unit we ship. If any Moore Industries product fails to perform up to rated specifications, call us for help. Our highly skilled staff of trained technicians and engineers pride themselves on their ability to provide timely, accurate, and practical answers to your process instrumentation questions. Factory phone numbers are on the back cover.

If problems involve a particular DDS module, there are several pieces of information you can gather **before** you call the factory that will help our staff to get you answers more efficiently. When you call, please have:

- The model number of the unit in question.
- The serial number of the unit in question.
- The job number (if available)
- The purchase order under which the unit was shipped (if available)

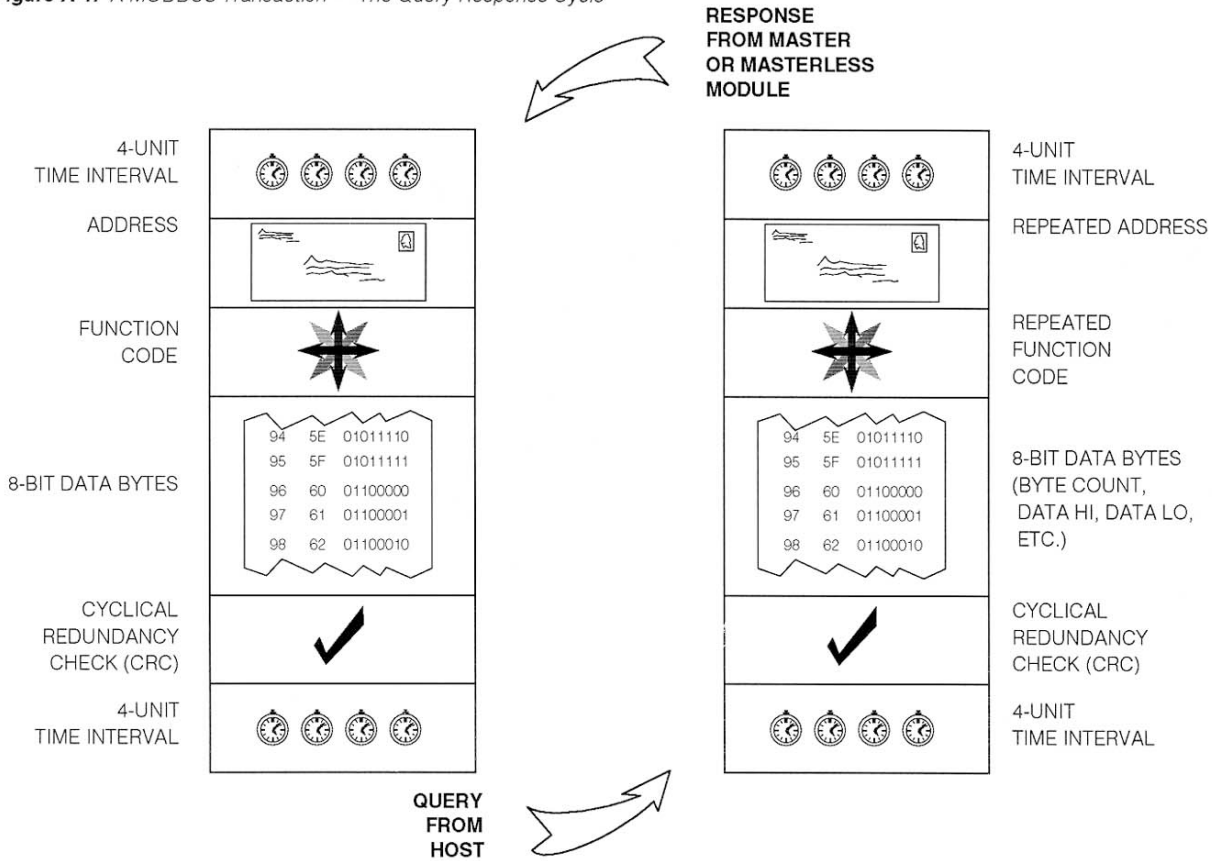
## Appendix A – MODBUS Overview

Originally, MODBUS was developed as a protocol, or communications “language” for use by industrial communications equipment (controllers) in sending process data between points of control.

The reliability and relative ease-of-use of MODBUS resulted in its becoming the *de facto* standard in many sectors of the process control industry, adopted by both software developers and hardware manufacturers.

Because *I/O EXPRESS* modules “speak” the MODBUS “language” (with a MODBUS RTU “accent”), they are compatible with many popular and powerful DCS and SCADA software packages and equipment. Contact the factory for the most current compatibility list, and/or for information on complete “turn-key” systems, including transmitters, enclosures, wiring, software, installation, and maintenance.

Figure A-1. A MODBUS Transaction — The Query-Response Cycle



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## Queries and Responses — the Grammar of MODBUS

The *I/O EXPRESS* uses MODBUS RTU transactions to issue commands to field modules and to communicate collected field data from modules to the system Host. A complete transaction consists of a query from a Host and a response from a Master or Masterless module. Figure A-1 illustrates the format of a transaction.

Queries and responses must be “parsed”, i.e., framed or formatted according to the rules set forth by the MODBUS protocol. The following list summarizes the basic attributes of the required elements:

- **Time Interval** . All Master and Masterless modules on the *I/O EXPRESS* Comm Link “listen” to the transactions being communicated during normal system operations. Whenever the Host institutes a time gap in transaction traffic equivalent to the transmission of at least 3.5 characters (at the baud rate setting), all connected modules begin to “listen” for their address.
- **Address** ... Refer to the Installation section of this manual for instructions on setting Master and/or Masterless modules’ addresses. Modules “listen” for their address after the appropriate time interval has been detected on the Comm Link (for an address to be detected, it must be preceded by a time gap of 3.5 characters, minimum). Once a module detects its address, it “listens” for a MODBUS Function code. All modules ignore Function codes, Data Fields, and CRCs not directed to them by the correct address.
- **Function Code** Refer to the Operation section of this manual for a list of the MODBUS Function codes implemented in the *I/O EXPRESS*. Once a module detects its address, it listens for a 2-digit, MODBUS Function code. This tells the addressed module what to do.
- **Data** ..... The Data Field contains any information needed by the addressed module to perform the action specified by the Function code. The length of this field varies according to the type of Function code. The Data Field of a query may contain things such as the starting memory address of Slave data in a Master module, or the logical state (1 or 0) that a particular Masterless discrete output channel is to switch to. The Data Field is explained in greater detail later in this appendix.
- **CRC** ..... A 16-bit cyclical redundancy check is always performed, to ensure the correct transmission/receipt of the command.
- **Time Interval** . Every MODBUS query is ended by a gap in transaction traffic of at least 3.5 characters, minimum. This gap may concurrently serve as the gap for the start of another query, in effect allowing a continuous stream of queries separated by time intervals of 3.5 characters.

### **NOTE:**

*A MODBUS query, once begun, must be transmitted/received in a continuous stream. If a gap of 1.5 characters is detected during the transmit/receive, the addressed module will abort the query and assume that the next character is an address.*

## Function Codes and Data Fields

The following section gives brief explanation of the MODBUS RTU Function Codes implemented in the *I/O EXPRESS*. This information is supplied for reference purposes only. Generally, the operations explained here will be carried out “behind the scenes” by DCS or SCADA software resident on the Host.

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Table A-1. Valid MODBUS RTU Function Codes in the I/O EXPRESS

MODBUS Function Code	Implementation in the I/O EXPRESS	MODBUS Function Name
01	Read the State (ON/OFF, HI/LO) of the Discrete (Digital) Outputs	Read Coil Status
02	Read the State (ON/OFF, HI/LO) of the Discrete (Digital) Inputs	Read Input Status
03	Read the Level Setting of the Analog Outputs	Read Holding Registers
04	Read the Level Setting of the Analog Inputs	Read Input Registers
05	Change the State of the Discrete (Digital) Outputs	Force Single Coil
06	Change the Level of the Analog Outputs	Preset Single Register
15	Change the State (ON/OFF, HI/LO) of Discrete (Digital) Outputs	Force Multiple Coils
16	Change the Level Setting of the Analog Outputs	Preset Multiple Registers

Table A-1 is a copy of Table 3, from the Operation section of this manual. It lists the *I/O EXPRESS* Function Codes and their MODBUS RTU equivalents.

**NOTE:**

*MODBUS RTU differs from MODBUS ASCII and MODBUS+. Make sure you are working with the correct type of MODBUS when executing the following Function Codes in the I/O EXPRESS.*

**Terminology**

Coils are discrete (digital) output channels. Inputs are discrete (digital) input channels. Holding registers are analog output channels. Input registers are analog input channels.

**NOTE:**

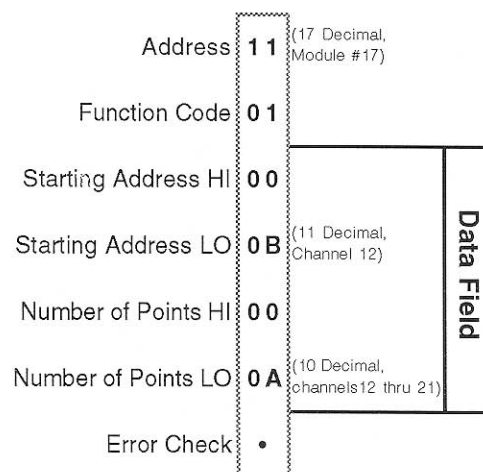
*MODBUS RTU data addressing is zero-based, which means that coil (channel) 1 is addressed in a query or response as 0, channel 2 is address as 1, 3 is 2, etc.*

*Some DCS and SCADA software packages compensate for this, and automatically offset address references. Make sure to check the users' or reference documentation for the package in use in your application.*

**Function Code 01**

Use this MODBUS RTU function to read the **ON/OFF or HI/LO** state of modules configured for **discrete (digital) outputs**.

For example, the query shown below would be used to read coils (discrete output channels) 12 through 21 of a Masterless module with a Comm Link address of 17 (refer to Table 2, in the Installation section of this manual, for instructions on setting module addresses).

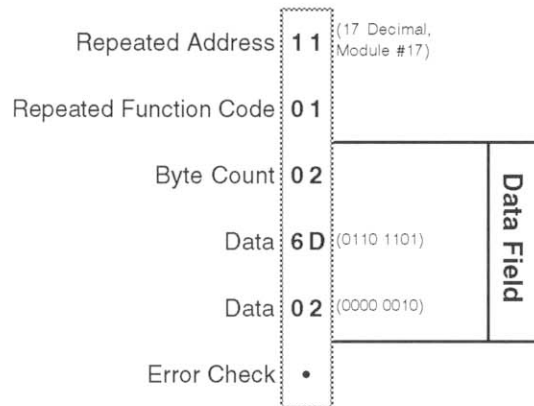


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- The “Starting Address HI” and “Number of Points HI” fields are set to zero when using this function code with **I/O EXPRESS** modules.
- In “Starting Address LO”, the number 0B Hex (11 Decimal) represents the address for the module’s channel 12, incorporating the standard, MODBUS RTU off-set (refer to NOTE on page A3).
- There are 10 points of data available from channels 12 through 21, hence the byte that sets number of points to read is 0A Hex.

A typical response to the preceding query would look like this:



- “1” = ON (HI), “0” = OFF (LO)
- “Byte Count” is calculated by the responding module. It represents the number of 8-bit data bytes that make up a response. In the case of this example, the byte count is 2; one, 8-bit byte and one 4-bit byte with its left over bits set to zero.
- The first byte in the Data Field stands for the first 8 channels addressed by the query. In the example, this is channels 12 through 19.

Reading the response bits left to right, Channel 12 is represented by the last (least significant) bit, or the LSB in the byte. Channel 19 is the most significant bit (MSB).

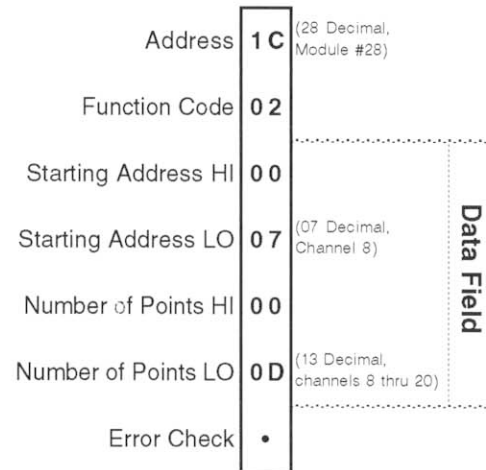
Translating the binary equivalent of 6D from the example, then, channel 12 is ON, 13 is OFF, 14 is ON, 15 is ON, 16 is OFF, 17 is ON, 18 is ON, and 19 is OFF.

- The next byte contains the data from channels 20 and 21. In the example response, channel 20 is OFF and channel 21 is ON. The remaining bits in the byte are set to zero.

**Function Code 02**

Use this MODBUS RTU function to read the **ON/OFF or HI/LO** state of modules configured for **discrete (digital) inputs**.

For example, the query shown below would be used to read inputs (discrete input channels) 8 through 20 of a Masterless module with a Comm Link address of 28 (refer to Table 2, in the Installation section of this manual, for instructions on setting module addresses).



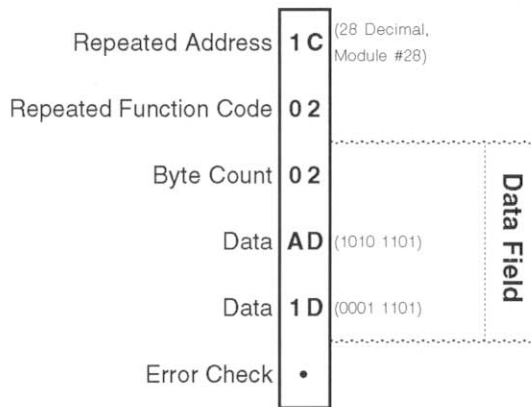
- The “Starting Address HI” and “Number of Points HI” fields are set to zero when using this function code with **I/O EXPRESS** modules.
- In “Starting Address LO”, the number 07 Hex (07 Decimal) represents the address for the module’s channel 8, incorporating the standard, MODBUS RTU off-set (refer to NOTE on page A3).

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- There are 13 points of data available from channels 8 through 20, hence the byte that sets number of points to read is 0D Hex.

A typical response to the preceding query would look like this:



- “1” = ON (HI), “0” = OFF (LO)
- “Byte Count” is calculated by the responding module. It represents the number of 8-bit data bytes that make up a response. In the case of this example, the byte count is 2; one, 8-bit byte and one 4-bit byte with its left over bits set to zero.
- The first byte in the Data Field stands for the first 8 channels addressed by the query. In the example, this is channels 8 through 15.

Reading left to right, Channel 8 is represented by the last (least significant) bit, or the LSB in the byte, and channel 15 is the most significant bit (MSB).

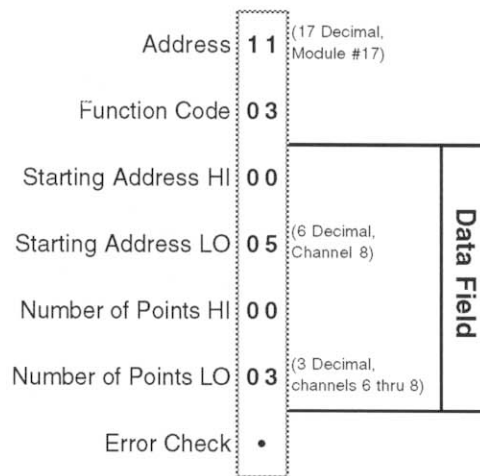
Translating the binary equivalent of AD from the example, then, channel 8 is ON, 9 is OFF, 10 is ON, 11 is ON, 12 is OFF, 13 is ON, 14 is OFF, and 15 is ON.

- The next byte contains the data from channels 16 through 20. In the example response, channel 16 is ON, channel 17 is OFF, channel 18 is ON, channel 19 is ON, and channel 20 is ON. The left over bits are set to zero.

## Function Code 03

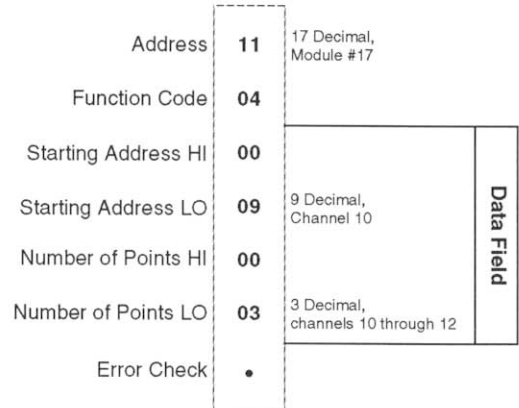
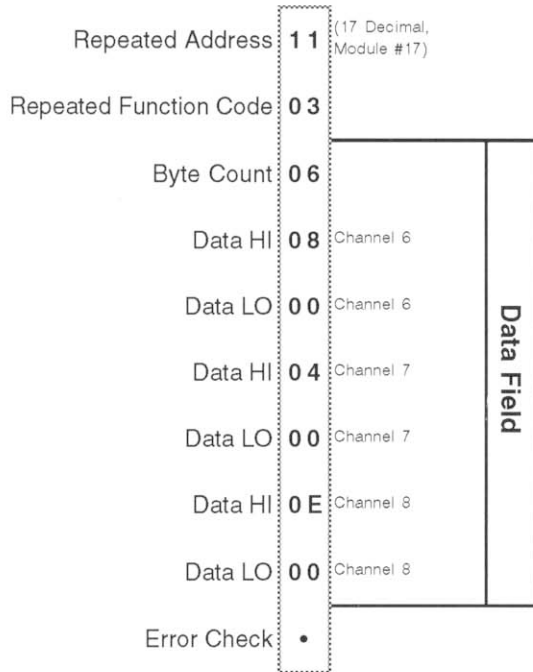
Use this MODBUS RTU function to read the **level** of modules configured for **analog outputs**.

For example, the query shown below would be used to read level settings for channels 6, 7, and 8 of a 4-20mA output Masterless module with a Comm Link address of 17 (refer to Table 2, in the Installation section of this manual, for instructions on setting module addresses).



- The “Starting Address HI” and “Number of Points HI” fields are set to zero when using this function code with **I/O EXPRESS** modules.
- In “Starting Address LO”, the number 05 Hex (5 Decimal) represents the address for the module’s channel 6, incorporating the standard, MODBUS RTU off-set (refer to NOTE on page A3).
- There are 3 points of data available from channels 6 through 8, hence the byte that sets number of points to read is 03 Hex.

A typical response to the preceding query would look like this:



- Each channel's analog data in the *I/O EXPRESS* may be read as 16-bit signed integers.
- "Byte Count" is calculated by the responding module. It represents the number of 8-bit data bytes that make up the response.

**Function Code 04**

Use this MODBUS RTU function to read the **level** of modules configured for **analog inputs**.

For example, the query shown below would be used to read the input levels of channels 10, 11, and 12 of a 4-20mA input Masterless module with a Comm Link address of 17 (refer to Table 2, in the Installation section of this manual, for instructions on setting module addresses).

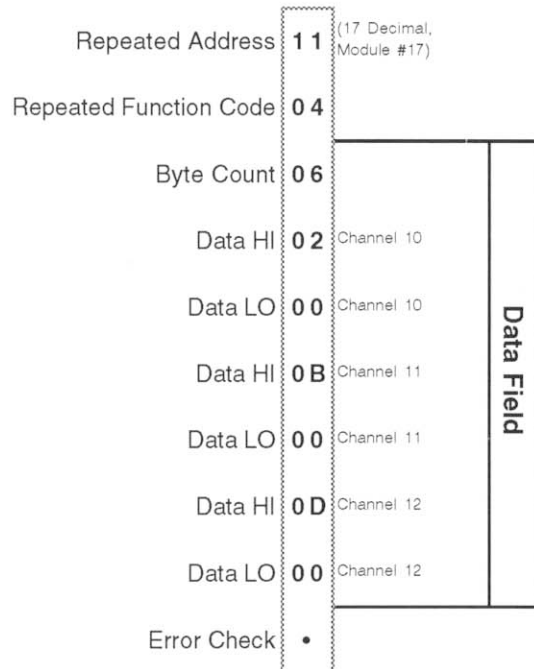
- The "Starting Address HI" and "Number of Points HI" fields are set to zero when using this function code with *I/O EXPRESS* modules.
- In "Starting Address LO", the number 09 Hex (9 Decimal) represents the address for the module's channel 10, incorporating the standard, MODBUS RTU off-set (refer to NOTE on page A3).
- There are 3 points of data available from channels 10 through 12, hence the byte that sets number of points to read is 03 Hex.



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A typical response to the preceding query would look like this:



- Each channel's analog data in the *I/O EXPRESS* may be read as 16-bit signed integers.
- "Byte Count" is calculated by the responding module. It represents the number of 8-bit data bytes that make up the response.

The other MODBUS RTU Function Codes operate in similar fashion. Consult the factory for more information.



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2. Provide us with the following documentation:
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  - b) Complete shipping information for return of the equipment after repair
  - c) The name and phone number of the person to contact if questions arise at the factory
3. Use sufficient packing material and carefully pack the equipment in a sturdy shipping container.
4. Ship the equipment to the Moore Industries location nearest you.

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