



Modbus TCP/IP to ASCII Generic Serial Gateway

5201/5202-MNET-ASCII(4)

The ProLinx Modbus TCP/IP to ASCII Generic Serial Gateway creates a powerful connection between devices on a Modbus TCP/IP network and ASCII input devices. This stand-alone DIN-rail mounted protocol gateway provides one Ethernet port and up to four ASCII configurable serial ports.

The Modbus TCP/IP protocol driver can interface many different protocols into Schneider Electric Quantum processors as well other solutions supporting the protocol. The MNET driver supports Client and Server connections, and when coupled with the Web option provides a web/ftp interface as well.

The ASCII protocol driver permits the module to interface to many ASCII devices. Each ASCII port on the module is configurable to send and/or receive ASCII strings, each supporting its own individual serial network.

Modbus TCP/IP

The Modbus TCP/IP driver interfaces with a common internal database in the module. This permits the sharing of data between the Modbus TCP/IP and other networks and devices.

Modbus TCP/IP Server

General	Server supports up to 5 independent connections each to Modbus TCP/IP clients on Service Port 502 using the standard MBAP protocol, and Service Port 2000.
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Configurable Parameters	Module IP Address Modbus address offsetting
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Modbus TCP/IP Client

General	Actively reads and writes data with Modbus TCP/IP compatible devices.
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	One client connection (up to 100 servers/devices with 100 commands)
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Configurable parameters	Number of active commands, Min Command Delay, Response Timeout, Retry Count, Command Error Pointer
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Command List	Up to 100 fully configurable commands on the Client port
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The MNET-ASCII modules are the ideal solution for the many applications where Modbus TCP/IP connectivity can be used to integrate ASCII generic serial input devices into a system. The Modbus TCP/IP gateway is a powerful module designed with both Client and Server support, enabling easy connection to other Modbus devices (Modicon processors and many others). In combination with the ASCII device support, the module provides a very powerful interface to the many ASCII input devices which are in use in the industrial marketplace today. Applications for the module are found in most industries, especially Manufacturing, Oil and Gas, Electrical Power and Food Processing.

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ASCII

The ASCII driver provides a powerful connection between the internal application database in the ProLinX unit and devices supporting serial ASCII communications (bar code scanners, line printers, legacy terminal based computer systems, etc).

The serial port on the gateway is user-configurable to support ASCII communications (Baud rate, Data Bits, Stop Bits, etc). The ASCII port can act as a Master (Send ASCII strings) or as a Slave (Receive ASCII strings), or both.

ASCII Specifications

Ports	Available in up to four port configurations to receive and/or transmit data.
Transmit and Receive buffer size	255 bytes each
Transmit character with pacing	0 to 65535 millisecond delay between each transmitted character.

General Specifications

The ProLinX Communication Modules provide connectivity for two or more dissimilar network types. The modules, encased in sturdy extruded aluminum, are stand-alone DIN-rail mounted protocol gateways, providing communication between many of the most widely used protocols in industrial automation today.

Hardware Specifications

Specification	Description
Power Supply	24 VDC nominal 18 to 36 VDC allowed Positive, Negative, GND Terminals 2.5 mm screwdriver blade
Current Load	500 mA max@ 24 VDC
Operating Temperature	-20 to 50°C (-4 to 122°F)
Storage Temperature	-40 to 85°C (-40 to 185°F)
Relative Humidity	5 to 95% (non-condensing)
Dimensions	Standard: 5.20H x 2.07W x 4.52D in. (13.2cmH x 5.25cmW x 11.48cmD) Extended: 5.20H x 2.73W x 4.52D in. (13.2cmH x 6.934cmW x 11.48cmD)
LED Indicators	Power and Module Status Application Status Serial Port Activity LED Serial Activity and Error LED Status
Configuration Serial Port	DB-9M RS-232 only No hardware handshaking
Ethernet Port (Ethernet modules only)	RJ45 Connector Link and Activity LED indicators

Specification	Description
Application Serial Ports	RS-232/422/485 RS-232 handshaking configurable RS-422/485 screw termination included
Serial Port Isolation	2500V RMS port signal isolation per UL 1577 3000V DC min. port to ground and port to logic power isolation
Shipped with Each Unit	Mini-DIN to DB-9M serial cables 4 ft RS-232 configuration cable 2.5mm screwdriver CD (docs and Configuration utility) RS-422/485 DB-9 to Screw Terminal Adaptor (1 or 4, depending on ports)

ProSoft Configuration Builder

ProSoft Configuration Builder (PCB) provides a quick and easy way to manage module configuration files customized to meet your application needs. PCB is not only a powerful solution for new configuration files, but also allows you to import information from previously installed (known working) configurations to new projects.

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