





DF1 Half/Full Duplex Master/Slave Communication Module MVI56-DFCM

The MVI56-DFCM module is the ideal solution for many applications where DF1 protocol connectivity must be added to a ControlLogix platform. The MVI56-DFCM module can be found in many industrial sectors and in the following applications:

- Foreign device data concentrator
- SCADA System Pipelines and offshore platforms
- Food processing
- Mining
- Pulp and paper

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The MVI56 DF1 Master/Slave Communication Module is a ControlLogix backplane compatible module that allows Allen-Bradley ControlLogix I/O compatible processors to interface easily with DF1 protocol compatible devices and hosts. Devices commonly supporting the protocol include Rockwell Automation PLCs and power monitoring equipment, as well as several other third party devices in the marketplace.

Features and Benefits

The MVI56-DFCM (DF1 Communication Module) allows Allen-Bradley ControlLogix I/O compatible processors to interface easily with other DF1 protocol compatible devices. Compatible devices include not only Modicon PLCs (which all support the DF1 protocol) but also a wide assortment of end devices.

The module has two serial ports supporting the DF1 protocol, with each port user-configurable to act as a master or as a slave. Data transfer between the module and the ControlLogix processor is asynchronous to the DF1 network, with the module's internal database being used to exchange data between the processor and the DF1 network.

General Specifications

- Single Slot 1756 backplane compatible
- Local or remote rack
- The module is recognized as an Input/Output module and has access to processor memory for data transfer between processor and module
- Ladder Logic is used for data transfer between module and processor.
- Configuration data obtained through user-defined ladder. Sample ladder file included

Hardware Specifications

Specification	Description
Backplane Current Load	800 mA @ 5 V
Operating Temperature	0 to 60°C (32 to 140°F)
Storage Temperature	-40 to 85°C (-40 to 185°F)



Specification	Description
Shock:	30g Operational
	50g non-operational
	Vibration: 5 g from 10 to 150 Hz
Relative Humidity	5 to 95% (non-condensing)
LED Indicators:	Module Status
	Backplane Transfer Status
	Application Status
	Serial Activity
Debug/Configuration port (CFG)	
CFG Port (CFG)	RJ45 (DB-9M with supplied cable)
	RS-232 only
Application ports (PRT1 & PRT2)	

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Baud rate: 110 to 115,200 baud,	
depending on protocol	
RS-232, 485 and 422	
Parity: none, odd or even	
Data bits: 5, 6, 7, or 8	
Stop bits: 1 or 2	
RTS on/off delay: 0 to 65535 ms	
RJ45 (DB-9M with supplied cable)	
RS-232 handshaking configurable	
500V Optical isolation from backplane	
RJ45 to DB-9M cables for each port	
6-foot RS-232 configuration cable	

Functional Specifications

DF1 ports

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- Full and half duplex modes supported
- CRC and BCC error checking
- Full hardware handshaking control provides radio, modem and Multidrop support
- Memory usage is completely user configurable, supporting the storage and transfer of up to 5000 registers to/from the control processor
- Up to 125 word read and write command lengths supported
- Floating point data movement supported

DF1 Master Protocol Specifications

The ports on the DF1 module can be individually configured as Master ports. When configured in master mode, the DFCM module is capable of reading and writing data to remote DF1 devices, enabling the ControlLogix platform to act as a SCADA sub-master.

 Command List: Up to 100 commands per Master port, each fully-configurable for function, slave address, register to/from addressing and word/byte count

- Status Data: Error codes available on an individual command basis. In addition, a slave status list is maintained per active master port.
- Polling of Command List: User-configurable polling of commands, including disabled, continuous, and on change of data (write only)

DF1 Slave Protocol Specifications

The module accepts DF1 commands from an attached DF1 master unit. When in slave mode, the module can accept DF1 commands from a master to read/write data stored in the module's internal registers. This data can be derived from other DF1 slave devices on the network through a master port or from the processor and is easily transferred to the processor's data registers.

Tested Hardware Connections

Several hardware connections have been tested by ProSoft Technology or have been customer field tested. To our knowledge, the following physical connections have been successful:

- RA Panel view (Full Duplex point-point, DFCM as slave)
- RA Processors (Full/Half duplex, DFCM as either master or slave)
- RA Power Monitors (485 Half-Duplex DFCM as Master)

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