

Modbus TCP

PSU Series

START GUIDE



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Overview

This document serves as a comprehensive guide to the Modbus functions. It begins with a “Quick Guide Function Setting” chapter, offering users a straightforward method for rapid configuration.

The “Modbus TCP” chapter introduces the function codes, packet formats, and setting steps of TCP, and provides practical examples.

The “Data Type” section lists various data types used in Modbus, accompanied by examples demonstrating their application.

Finally, the “Exception Code List” chapter is dedicated to outlining the response codes for handling unexpected situations in Modbus operations.



Note

This function is a non-standard function, and the applicable firmware version must be at least V2.01 (please refer to the user manual to check the firmware version), and it needs to be activated or a license purchased before the machine leaves the factory.

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Quick guide function setting

TCP

1. Connect an Ethernet cable from the network to the rear panel Ethernet port.
2. Set IP address (F-39~F-42).
3. Set Subnet Mask (F-43~F-46).
4. Set Gateway (F-47~F-50).



Note

Socket server port number is 502 for Modbus master application.

Modbus TCP

Introduction

Overview Modbus TCP messages consist of MBAP header and PDU. Different from RTU, there is no Slave address and CRC.

Modbus TCP is based on Ethernet. Modbus TCP socket port number is 502.

MBAP header	Transaction ID	Protocol ID	Length	Unit ID
	Byte0,1	Byte2,3	Byte4,5	Byte6

Function code The function codes provided for use are as follows.

Function code	Description
0x03	Read Holding Registers
0x06	Write Single Registers
0x10	Write Multiple Registers

Read Holding Registers (FC 0x03)

Request:

MBAP header	Function code	Starting registers	Number of register
Byte 0~6	Byte7	Byte8,9	Byte10,11

Response:

MBAP header	Function code	Length of data	Data
Byte 0~6	Byte7	Byte8	Byte9~259

Write Single Registers (FC 0x06)

Request:

MBAP header	Function code	Starting registers	Data
Byte 0~6	Byte7	Byte8,9	Byte10,11

Response:

MBAP header	Function code	Starting registers	Data
Byte 0~6	Byte7	Byte8,9	Byte10,11

Write Multiple
Registers
(FC 0x10)

Request:

MBAP header	Function code	Starting registers	Number of register	Data byte	Data
Byte 0~6	Byte7	Byte8,9	Byte10,11	Byte12	Byte13 ~259

Response:

MBAP header	Function code	Starting registers	Number of register
Byte 0~6	Byte7	Byte8,9	Byte10,11

Using Modbus TCP

Overview Modbus TCP is based on Ethernet. Modbus TCP socket port number is 502. The Ethernet related configurations are shown as Table **Ethernet Menu** below.

- Operation**
1. Connect an Ethernet cable from the network to the rear panel Ethernet port.
 2. Press the Function key to enter the Normal configuration settings.



Table	Menu	Function	Item
Ethernet Menu	F-30	MAC Address-1	0x00~0xFF
	F-31	MAC Address-2	0x00~0xFF
	F-32	MAC Address-3	0x00~0xFF
	F-33	MAC Address-4	0x00~0xFF
	F-34	MAC Address-5	0x00~0xFF
	F-35	MAC Address-6	0x00~0xFF
	F-37	DHCP	0 = OFF, 1 = ON
	F-39	IP Address-1	0~255
	F-40	IP Address-2	0~255
	F-41	IP Address-3	0~255
	F-42	IP Address-4	0~255
	F-43	Subnet Mask-1	0~255
	F-44	Subnet Mask-2	0~255
	F-45	Subnet Mask-3	0~255
	F-46	Subnet Mask-4	0~255
	F-47	Gateway-1	0~255
	F-48	Gateway-2	0~255
	F-49	Gateway-3	0~255
	F-50	Gateway-4	0~255
	F-51	DNS address-1	0~255
	F-52	DNS address-2	0~255
	F-53	DNS address-3	0~255
	F-54	DNS address-4	0~255

Function check

Function check steps are as follows:

Functionality
Check

- 1. Connect an Ethernet cable from the network to the rear panel Ethernet port.
- 2. Set PSU settings related to Modbus TCP (**Please refer to Table Ethernet Menu related settings**).
- 3. Invoke a Modbus TCP master application.
- 4. Use PC application to send an ADU package to PSU (**Please refer to the Register List**).

According to Modbus register list, we are using “Identification register” to present this function check.

MODBUS Address (Decimal)	0x01	0x03	0x05	0x06	0x10	Description	Access	Data type	Data length in byte	Number of register	Data
0		X				Identification	R	char	100	50	ASCII

Function Code: 0x03
Start Address: 0
Number of Register: 50

The request packets of MBAP header and ADU are as follows:

MBAP header	Function code	Starting registers	Number of register
Byte 0~6	Byte7	Byte8,9	Byte10,11
0x00 0x18 (Transaction ID)	0x03	0x00 0x00	0x00 0x32
0x00 0x00 (Protocol ID)			
0x00 0x06(Length)			
0x00 (Unit ID)			
MBAP header	Read Holding Registers	Registers address	Account for 50 registers

5. And instrument will Response:

MBAP header	Function code	Length of data	Number of register
Byte 0~6	Byte7	Byte8	Byte9~259
0x00 0x18 (Transaction ID)	0x03	0x00 0x64	0x47 0x57 0x2D 0x49 0x4E 0x53 ... 0x00 0x00 0x00
0x00 0x00 (Protocol ID)			
0x00 0x06(Length)			
0x00 (Unit ID)			
MBAP header	Read Holding Registers	100 byte	GW-INSTEK ...

Data Type

Overview This chapter will introduce the data package format of each data type and provide data type examples for reference. The following are the types of data provided:

Char	Uint16	Uint32	Float
1 Byte	2 Byte	4 Byte	4 Byte

Char

Examples of character data types are as follows:
This example is to read the identification data, refer to Register List as shown below:

MODBUS Address (Decimal)	0x01	0x03	0x05	0x06	0x10	Description	Access	Data type	Data length in byte	Number of register	Data
0		X				Identification	R	char	100	50	ASCII

The read identification function code is 0x03, the starting register is 0, and the number of registers is 50.

Based on the above, the requested PDU is as follows:

Function code	Starting registers	Number of register
0x03	0x00 0x00	0x00 0x32
Read	0 (Identification)	50 register (100 byte)

Response PDU:

Function code	Length of data	Data
0x03	0x64	0x47 0x57 0x2D 0x49 0x4E 0x53 ... 0x00 0x00 0x00
Read	100 byte	GW-INSTEK...

Uint16

There are two value types of Uint16:

Normal value This example is to read/write the Buzzer control, refer to Register List as shown below:

MODBUS Address (Decimal)	0x01	0x03	0x05	0x06	0x10	Description	Access	Data type	Data length in byte	Number of register	Data
801	X			X		Buzzer ON/OFF control	R/W	uint(16)	2	1	

The starting register for read/write buzzer control is 801, and the number of registers is 1.

Based on the above, the PDU is as follows:

Write

Request PDU:

Function code	Starting registers	Data
0x06	0x03 0x21	0x00 0x01
Write	801(Buzzer on/ off)	Buzzer on

Response PDU:

Function code	Starting registers	Data
0x06	0x03 0x21	0x00 0x01
Write	801(Buzzer on/off)	Buzzer on

Read

Request PDU:

Function code	Starting registers	Number of register
0x03	0x03 0x21	0x00 0x01
Read	801(Buzzer on/ off)	One register

Response PDU:

Function code	Length of data	Data
0x03	0x02	0x00 0x01
Read	2 byte	Buzzer on

Percent value The percent value conversion formula is as follows:

Real value

$$= \text{Nominal value} * \text{percent value} / 52428$$

$$\text{Percent value} = 52428 * \text{Nominal/Rated value}$$

This example is to read/write the Voltage Setting, refer to Register List as shown below:

MODBUS Address (Decimal)	0x01	0x03	0x05	0x06	0x10	Description	Access	Data type	Data length in byte	Number of register	Data
3800		X		X		Voltage Setting (DC)	R/W	uint(16)	2	1	

The starting register for read/write Voltage Setting is 3800, and the number of registers is 1.

Based on the above, the PDU is as follows:

Write

Request PDU:

Function code	Starting registers	Data
0x06	0x0E 0xD8	0x66 0x66
Write	3800 (Voltage Setting)	26214 (Percent value)

Response PDU:

Function code	Starting registers	Data
0x06	0x0E 0xD8	0x66 0x66
Write	3800 (Voltage Setting)	26214 (Percent value)

For PSU 100-15:

Nominal Voltage: 100V

Percent value: 26214

Voltage setting (real value)
 $= 100 * 26214 / 52428 = 50V$

Read

Request PDU:

Function code	Starting registers	Number of register
0x03	0x0E 0xD8	0x00 0x01
Read	3800(Voltage Setting)	One register

Response PDU:

Function code	Length of data	Data
0x03	0x02	0x66 0x66
Read	2 byte	26214 (Percent value)

Uint32

Examples of Uint32 data types are as follows:

This example is the reading/writing of the output delay time, refer to Register List as shown below:

MODBUS Address (Decimal)	0x01	0x03	0x05	0x06	0x10	Description	Access	Data type	Data length in byte	Number of register	Data
4200		X			X	Output ON delay time	R/W	uint(32)	4	2	

The starting position of the register for the read and write output delay time is 4200, and the number of registers is 2.

Based on the above, the PDU is as follows:

Write

Request PDU:

Function code	Starting registers	Number of register	Length of data	Data
0x10	0x10 0x68	0x00 0x02	0x04	0x00 0x00 0x00 0x64
Write	4200 (Output on delay)	2 register	4 byte	100 (1sec)

Response PDU:

Function code	Starting registers	Number of register
0x10	0x10 0x68	0x00 0x02
Write	4200 (Output on delay)	2 register

Read

Request PDU:

Function code	Starting registers	Number of register
0x03	0x10 0x68	0x00 0x02
Read	4200 (Output on delay)	2 register

Response PDU:

Function code	Length of data	Data
0x03	0x04	0x00 0x00 0x00 0x64
Read	4 byte	100 (1sec)

Float

Examples of float data types are as follows:

This example is the reading/writing of the rising voltage slew rate, refer to Register List as shown below:

MODBUS Address (Decimal)	0x01	0x03	0x05	0x06	0x10	Description	Access	Data type	Data length in byte	Number of register	Data
3901		X			X	Rising voltage slew rate	R/W	float	4	2	IEEE 754

The starting position of the register for the read and write rising voltage slew rate is 3901, and the number of registers is 2 (The arithmetic standard for floating is IEEE 754).

Based on the above, the PDU is as follows:

Write

Request PDU:

Function code	Starting registers	Number of register	Length of data	Data
0x10	0x0F 0x3D	0x00 0x02	0x04	0x3D 0xCC 0xCC 0xCD
Write	3901 (Rising voltage slew rate)	2 register	4 byte	0.1 V/sec

Response PDU:

Function code	Starting registers	Number of register
0x10	0x0F 0x3D	0x00 0x02
Write	3901(Rising voltage slew rate)	2 register

Read

Request PDU:

Function code	Starting registers	Number of register
0x03	0x0F 0x3D	0x00 0x02
Read	3901(Rising voltage slew rate)	2 register

Response PDU:

Function code	Length of data	Data
0x03	0x04	0x3D 0xCC 0xCC 0xCD
Read	4 byte	0.1 V/sec

Exception Code List

List

Exception Code	Name	Description
01 (0x01)	Illegal function	The function code received in the request is not an authorized action for the slave. The slave may be in the wrong state to process a specific request.
02 (0x02)	Illegal data address	The data address received by the slave is not an authorized address for the slave.
03 (0x03)	Illegal data value	The value in the request data field is not an authorized value for the slave.
04 (0x04)	Slave device failure	The slave fails to perform a requested action because of an unrecoverable error.
05 (0x05)	Acknowledge	The slave accepts the request but needs a long time to process it.
06 (0x06)	Slave device busy	The slave is busy processing another command. The master must send the request once the slave is available.
08 (0x08)	Memory parity error	The slave detects a parity error in the memory when attempting to read extended memory.
10 (0x0A)	Gateway path unavailable	The gateway is overloaded or not correctly configured.
11 (0x0B)	Gateway target device failed to respond	The slave is not present on the network.

Example Suppose we want to read the data of Rising voltage slew rate, but the number of register is incorrectly.

MODBUS Address (Decimal)	0x01	0x03	0x05	0x06	0x10	Description	Access	Data type	Data length in byte	Number of register	Data
3901		X			X	Rising voltage slew rate	R/W	float	4	2	IEEE 754

Request PDU:

Function code	Starting registers	Number of register
0x03	0x0F 0x3D	0x00 0x01
Read	3901(Rising voltage slew rate)	2 register

Then we will receive the following response:

Response PDU:

Function Code in Exception Response	Exception Code
0x83	0x02
1000 0011	Illegal data address

When an exception occurs, the highest bit of the Function code will be set to 1 and returned. So the original function code 0000 0011 becomes 1000 0011.

According to the Exception Code List, the description of 0x02 is as follows:

The data address received by the slave is not an authorized address for the slave.

Register List

	DC/Bus Address (Decimal)	0x01	0x03	0x08	0x0E	0x10	Description	Access	Data type	Data length in byte	Number of register	Data	Example or description
Information	0	X					Identification	R	short	1001	80	ASCII	
Information	50	X					Nominal Voltage	R	float	4	2	IEEE 754	PSU 100-15 Nominal Voltage Value=100(V)
	52	X					Nominal Current	R	float	4	2	IEEE 754	PSU 100-15 Nominal Current Value=15(A)
	54	X					Nominal Power	R	float	4	2	IEEE 754	PSU 100-15 Nominal Power Value=1500(W)
System	800	X	X	X			Lock Mode	RW	uint16	2	1		R Lock Panel, Allow Output OFF Lock Panel, Allow Output ON/CFG Btl: Buzzer 0 = OFF, 1 = ON
	801	X	X				Buzzer ON/OFF control	RW	uint16	2	1		Display memory parameter when recalling M1, M2, M3
	802	X	X	X			Memory Recall Display	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = OFF, 1 = ON, 2 = AUTO
DC source	900	X	X				Bleeder circuit control	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = Control by Local 1 = Control by External Voltage 2 = Control by External Resistor Raising 3 = Control by External Resistor Falling 4 = Control by Isolated Board
	901	X	X	X			CV Control	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = Control by Local 1 = Control by External Voltage 2 = Control by External Resistor Raising 3 = Control by External Resistor Falling 4 = Control by Isolated Board
	902	X	X	X			CC Control	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = High ON, 1 = Low ON
Status	950	X	X	X			External Output Logic	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = Internal Resistance Setting
Status	950	X	X	X			Internal Resistance Setting	RW	float	4	2	IEEE 754	
Status	2850	X	X	X			Status Questionable Condition	RW	uint16	2	1		
Status	2851	X	X	X			Status Operation Condition	RW	uint16	2	1		
DC Source	3800	X	X	X			Voltage Setting (DC)	RW	uint16	2	1		This value is percent value (Note 1)
Normal	3801	X	X	X			Current Setting (DC)	RW	uint16	2	1		This value is percent value (Note 1)
	3803	X	X	X			OC Output	RW	uint16	2	1		
Voltage	3900	X	X	X			Voltage Setting Limit (V Limit)	RW	uint16	2	1		
	3901	X	X	X			Rising voltage slew rate	RW	float	4	2	IEEE 754	
	3903	X	X	X			Falling voltage slew rate	RW	float	4	2	IEEE 754	
	3905	X	X	X	X		Apply Voltage Setting on Trigger	RW	float	4	2	IEEE 754	0 = rated voltage
Current	4000	X	X	X			Current Setting Limit (I Limit)	RW	uint16	2	1		
	4001	X	X	X			Rising current slew rate	RW	float	4	2	IEEE 754	
	4003	X	X	X			Falling current slew rate	RW	float	4	2	IEEE 754	
	4005	X	X	X	X		Apply Current Setting on Trigger	RW	float	4	2	IEEE 754	0 = rated current
Output	4200	X	X	X			Output ON delay time	RW	uint32	4	2		data = 100, time = 1S
	4202	X	X	X			Output OFF delay time	RW	uint32	4	2		data = 100, time = 1S
	4204	X	X	X			V-I mode slew rate select	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = CV high speed priority (CVHS) 1 = CC high speed priority (CCHS) 2 = CV slew rate priority (CVLS) 3 = CC slew rate priority (CCLS)
	4206	X	X	X			Power-ON Output	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = Safe Mode (Output OFF at startup) 1 = Force Mode (Output ON at startup) 2 = Auto Mode (Status before last time Power OFF)
Protection	4208	X	X	X			Output State When Receiving Trigger	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = OFF, 1 = ON
	4300	X	X	X			OCV	RW	uint16	2	1		This value is percent value (Note 1)
	4301	X	X	X			OCV	RW	uint16	2	1		This value is percent value (Note 1)
	4302	X	X	X			OCV	RW	uint16	2	1		This value is percent value (Note 1)
	4303	X	X	X			Detection Time of OCP (OCP Delay Time)	RW	uint32	4	2		data = 1000, time = 1S
Measurement	4400	X	X	X			Alarm Recovery and Output Status	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = Safe Mode, 1 = Force Mode
	4400	X	X	X			Measure Voltage	R	uint16	2	1		This value is percent value (Note 1)
	4401	X	X	X			Measure Current	R	uint16	2	1		This value is percent value (Note 1)
	4402	X	X	X			Measure Power	R	uint16	2	1		This value is percent value (Note 1)
	4403	X	X	X			Measurement Average Setting	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = Low, 1 = Middle, 2 = High
	4404	X	X	X			Measure Voltage (High resolution)	R	float	4	2	IEEE 754	
	4405	X	X	X			Measure Current (High resolution)	R	float	4	2	IEEE 754	
	4406	X	X	X			Measure Power (High resolution)	R	float	4	2	IEEE 754	
Trigger	4500	X	X	X			Trigger Output (Software Trigger)	R	uint16	2	1		Set any value - Generates an immediate trigger for the output trigger system.
	4501	X	X	X			Trigger Output Source (Software Trigger)	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = BUS Output trigger is generated by the bus. 1 = IMMediate Output trigger is immediately generated. 2 = EXternal The output trigger is generated when an external signal triggers it.
	4502	X	X	X			Trigger Transient (Software Trigger)	R	uint16	2	1		Set any value - Generates an immediate trigger for the transient trigger system.
	4503	X	X	X			Trigger Transient Source (Software Trigger)	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = BUS Transient trigger is generated by the bus. 1 = IMMediate Transient trigger is immediately generated. 2 = EXternal The transient trigger is generated when an external signal triggers it.
	4504	X	X	X			Trigger Input Pulse Width	RW	uint32	4	2		0 = None 1 = Output ON/OFF 2 = Setting 3 = Memory
	4506	X	X	X			Trigger Input Action	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = None 1 = Output ON/OFF 2 = Setting 3 = Memory
	4507	X	X	X			Trigger Output Pulse Width	RW	uint32	4	2		0 = None 1 = Output ON/OFF 2 = Setting 3 = Memory
	4509	X	X	X			Trigger Output Level	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = None 1 = LOW, 1 = HIGH
	4510	X	X	X			Trigger Source	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = None 1 = Switching the output on or off 2 = Changing a setting 3 = Recalling a memory
Interface	4611	X	X	X			Recall memory number	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = 2 (M1 - M3)
UART1	12801	X	X	X			UART Baud Rate	RW	uint32	4	2		0 = 28k, 1 = 8k
	12802	X	X	X			UART Data Bit	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = none, 1 = odd, 2 = even
	12804	X	X	X			UART Parity	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = none, 1 = 28k
	12805	X	X	X			UART Stop Bit	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = 28k, 1 = 8k
	12806	X	X	X			UART TCR	R	uint16	2	1		0 = SPI, 1 = LEGACY, 2 = MODBUS-RTU
	12807	X	X	X			UART Address	R	uint16	2	1		
USB	13000	X	X	X			Front panel USB State	R	uint16	2	1		
	13001	X	X	X			Rear panel USB State	R	uint16	2	1		
GPIO	13100	X	X	X			GPIO address	RW	uint16	2	1		
	13102	X	X	X			Show GPIO available status	RW	uint16	2	1		
	13103	X	X	X			GPIO Enable/Disable	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = Disable GPIO, 1 = Enable GPIO
Ethernet	13200	X	X	X			MAC Address	R	uint16	6	3		Bytes 0 - 5: 0-255
	13201	X	X	X			IP Address	RW	uint16	2	1		Bytes 0 - 3: 0-255
	13202	X	X	X			Subnet Mask	RW	uint16	4	2		Bytes 0 - 3: 0-255
	13203	X	X	X			Gateway	RW	uint16	4	2		Bytes 0 - 3: 0-255
	13211	X	X	X			DNS address	RW	uint16	4	2		Bytes 0 - 3: 0-255
	13216	X	X	X			Web password active	RW	uint16	2	1		0 = Disable, 1 = Enable
	13217	X	X	X			Web setting password	RW	uint16	2	1		0000-9999

Note 1

Real value = Nominal value * percent value/2428

Example 1

For PSU 100-15

Nominal Voltage: 100V

Assume voltage setting(percent value) : 26214

voltage setting(real value) = 100 * 26214/2428

= 10V