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## PX-MOD – Modbus RTU/ASCII Bus Coupler slave with RS485 Port

The PX-MOD Modbus RTU/ASCII Bus Coupler slave allows connection of up to 64 terminals per assembly, 255 terminals total, in a Modbus RTU serial network communicating using high-level Modbus commands, and supports 512 bytes input data and 512 bytes output data. The PX-MOD consists of one RS-485 D-sub 9-pin port that functions in half duplex for connection to a Modbus master. Use with the Protos X™ I/O System.



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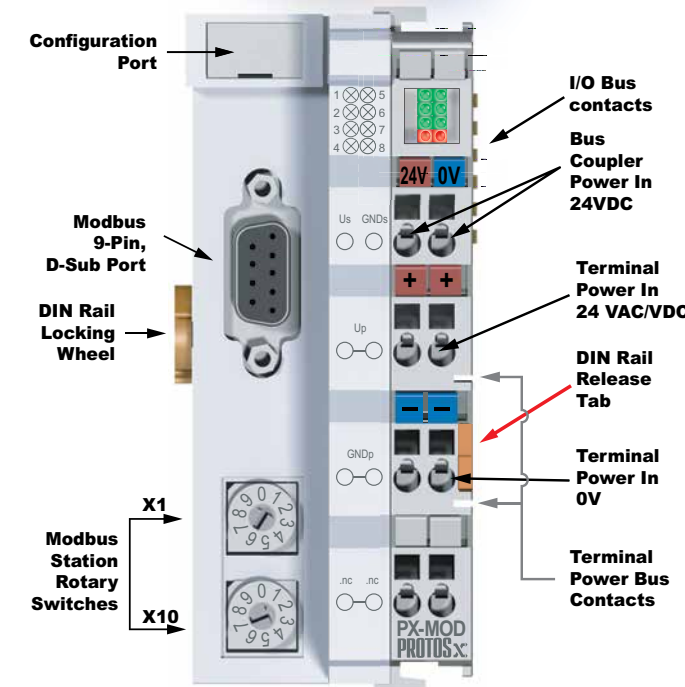
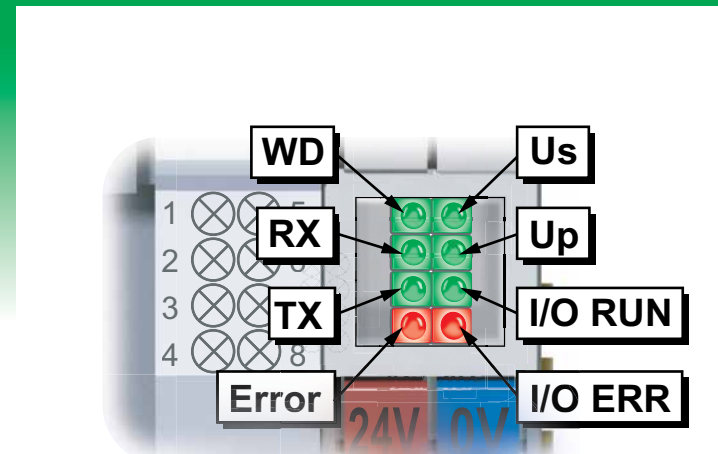
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PX-MOD I/O Bus Specifications		
Supply Power for I/O Bus	24VDC (-15%/+20%)	
Input Current from Power Supply	70mA + (total I/O bus current) / 4	
Recommended Fuse	10A Max	
I/O Bus Current Supply	1000mA Max	
Number of Bus Terminals Supported	64 per assembly, 255 w/ I/O Bus Expansion (based on power budget)	
Number of Discrete Inputs/Outputs	1020 Inputs and 1020 Outputs with 255 terminals	
Number of Analog Inputs/Outputs	256 inputs and 256 outputs	
Maximum Number of Data Bytes*	512 Input Bytes and 512 Output Bytes	
PX-MOD Terminal Power Bus Specifications		
Supply Power for Terminal Bus	24 VAC/VDC	
Maximum Current	10A	
Number of Power Contacts	2 (+24 VAC/VDC, 0V)	
PX-MOD Modbus Port Specifications		
Number of Stations	99	
Station Configuration	Rotary Switches	
Protocol	Modbus RTU/ASCII (default = RTU)	
Data Transfer Rates	150, 300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400 baud	
Maximum Cable Length	4000 ft. (1,200m)	
Connection Type	RS-485, 9-pin, D-Sub	
Recommended Cable	24 AWG, Shielded, Twisted Pair	
PX-MOD General Specs		
Operating Temp	32° to 131°F (0° to 55°C)	
Storage Temp	13° to 185°F (-25° to 85°C)	
Relative Humidity	5% to 95%, non-condensing	
Environment Air	No corrosive gases permitted	
Mounting/Orientation Restrictions	35mm DIN rail/None	
Vibration	conforms to EN 60068-2-6	
Shock	conforms to EN 60068-2-27	
Noise Immunity	conforms to EN 61000-6-2	
Protection Class	IP20	
Weight	100g	
Dimensions (WxHxD)	44 x 100 x 66.4 mm (1.73 x 3.94 x 2.61 in)	
Agency Approvals	UL File No. E157382, CE	
LED Status	On	Off
Green LED 1: WD	Watchdog is Active	Watchdog error if no data transmitted within the set WD time. Reset using PX-CFGSW, power cycle, or using ladder logic. See PX-USER-M manual.
Green LED 2: RX	Data being Received	No Data is being Received
Green LED 3: TX	Data being Transmitted	No Data is being Transmitted
Red LED 4: Error	Data Error, Communications with the master device has been lost.	No Data Error or Checksum Error
Green LED 5: Us	Bus Coupler Power On	Bus Coupler Power Off
Green LED 6: Up	Terminal Power On	Terminal Power Off
Green LED 7: I/O Run	I/O Bus Data Active	Watchdog-timer overflow if no data transmitted within the set WD time.
Red LED 8: I/O Err	I/O Bus Error, blinking Code. See PX-CFGSW Help file or PX-USER-M manual for codes.	No I/O Bus Error

\*Number of Terminals cannot exceed 512 input bytes and 512 output bytes.

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## OVERVIEW



**Configuration Port**  
Requires cable PX-USB-232, with a USB 2.0 type A connector for the PC and a 4-pin custom micro connector for the bus coupler. Works with PX-CFGSW software.

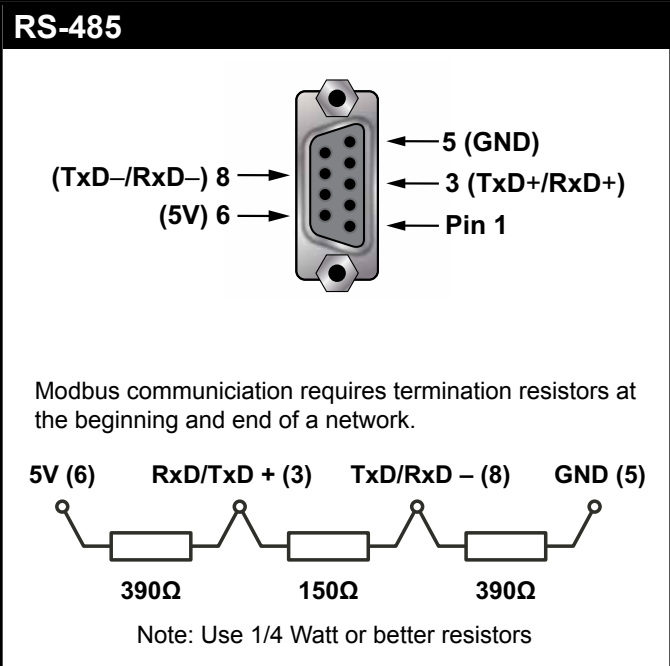
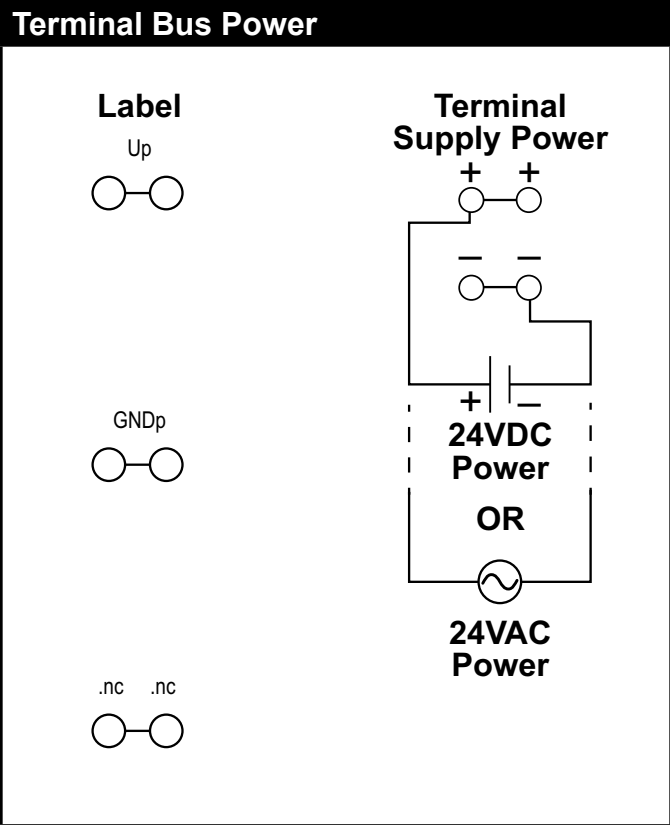
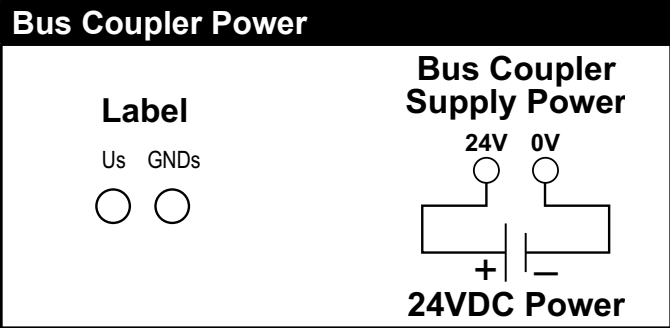
**Modbus Station Rotary Switch**  
Modbus Slave Station Address is set via two rotary switches. Address range is from 01 to 99. Switch X1 = 1's, switch X10 = 10's. Set address to 00 and use PX-CFGSW software for Coupler configuration. See PX-USER-M for full details.

X1

X10

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## WIRING DIAGRAMS



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## SYSTEM CONSIDERATIONS

The PX-MOD performs as a Modbus RTU slave in a Modbus network. Communication to the master is via a 9-pin D-sub RS485 port. The maximum distance from master to the PX-MOD is 4000 feet (1200 meters) using 24 AWG shielded, twisted pair. Termination resistors are required at the beginning and end of the network. It is highly recommended that a dedicated network be used for the Protos X system.

The PX-MOD Bus Coupler supports up to 64 terminals per assembly, 255 with Bus Expansion Couplers. A minimal assembly consists of a **PX-MOD Bus Coupler**, **I/O Terminals** and a **Bus End Terminal**.

The PX-MOD automatically assigns Modbus addresses for inputs and outputs to the image register. The maximum number of data is 512 bytes of input data and 512 bytes of output data, with up to 1020 inputs, 1020 outputs, 256 analog inputs and 256 analog outputs, when using bus expansion.

An **I/O Bus**, powered through the Bus Coupler, provides data communication across the terminal assembly via six contacts located on the side walls of the terminals. This bus also supplies low voltage power to the I/O terminals. The I/O Bus supply is rated at a maximum of 1000mA, which must be taken into consideration when planning an assembly. Each terminal has an I/O bus current consumption listing which can be used to determine the total I/O bus current. The maximum I/O bus current of the coupler must not be exceeded as there is no internal overcurrent protection.

A **Terminal Power Bus** provides power for the I/O terminals via two power contacts; 24V and 0V. A power source of 24VAC or 24VDC must be connected to the bus Coupler from an external supply.

A variety of Power Terminals are available for isolating, changing or supplying power to the I/O terminals.

For isolating voltages across the Terminal Power Bus a

**Power Separation Terminal (PX-908)** is used. This terminal separates the Terminal Power contacts but passes I/O Bus communication.

If additional 24VDC supply is required for terminal wiring, eight points of 24VDC power can be distributed from the Terminal Power Bus using a **Power Distribution Terminal (PX-949)**. This terminal must be mounted to the right of a terminal that passes 24VDC on the power bus. Both I/O Bus communication and terminal bus power are passed through to adjoining terminals.

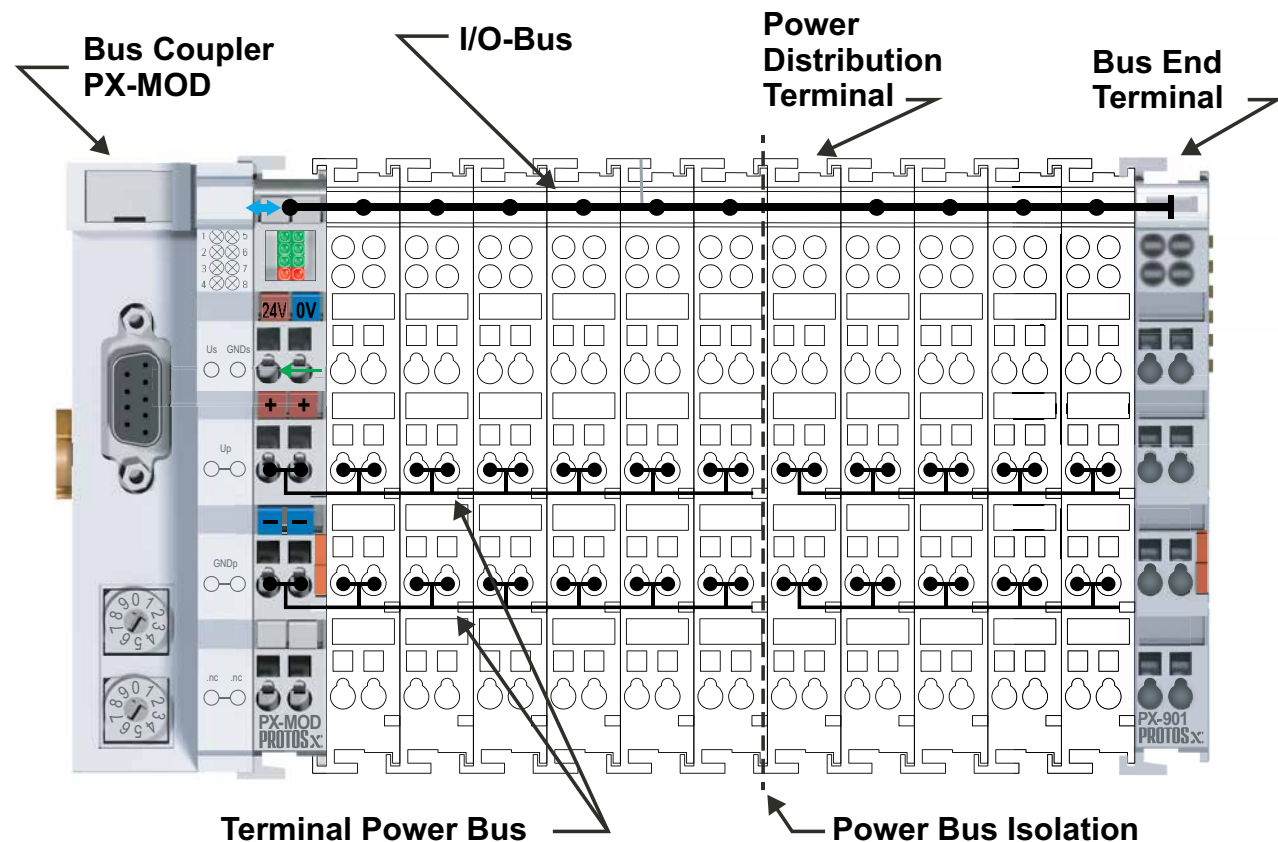
To connect field power to the Terminal Power Bus, or to change from one voltage to another, **Power Feed Terminals (PX-940 & PX-970)** are used. Power Feed Terminals are available in 24VDC or 120-230VAC, and provide power to I/O Terminals located to the right of the Power Feed Terminal. This terminal passes I/O Bus communication. Power Terminals do not consume any addresses.

For expansion beyond a 64 terminal assembly, a **Bus Expansion End Terminal (PX-902)** is used in place of a standard **Bus End Terminal (PX-901)**. A **Bus Expansion Coupler Terminal (PX-903)** is used at each expansion assembly in place of a PX-MOD Bus Coupler. Up to 31 Expansion couplers can be used in a group of assemblies. Connection is made between the Expansion Coupler Terminals via standard RJ45 Ethernet cable.

**It is important to stay within the following three specifications:**

1. Do not exceed the total number of 64 Terminals allowed per Assembly.
2. Do not exceed the total number of 512 Input Bytes and 512 Output Bytes.
3. Do not exceed the Coupler I/O Bus Power Budget of 1000mA as there is no internal current protection.

For complete system assembly instructions see the PX-USER-M Manual.



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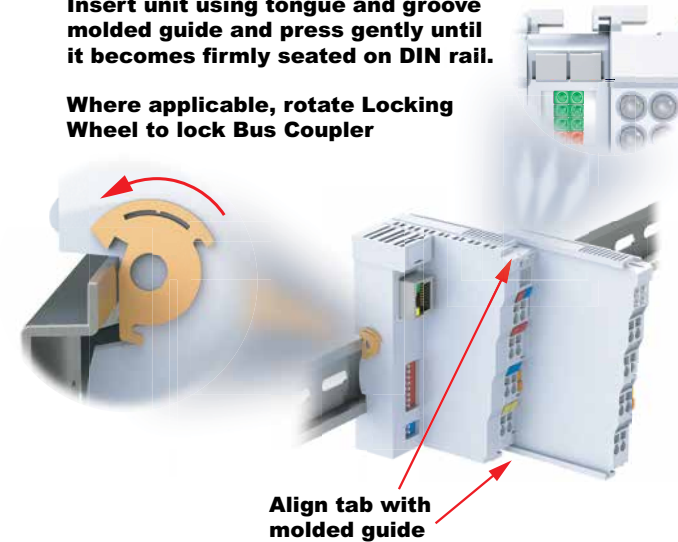
## MOUNTING

For system assembly, first attach a bus coupler by snapping onto 35mm DIN rail and securing into position using the DIN rail locking wheel located on the left side of the coupler. To add a bus terminal, insert unit onto right side of bus coupler using the tongue and groove at the top and bottom of the unit, pressing gently until it snaps onto the DIN rail. A proper connection cannot be made by sliding the units together on the DIN rail. When correctly installed, no significant gap can be seen between the attached units. Bus connection is made through the six slide contacts located on the upper right side of the units. Add up to 64 bus terminals per bus coupler, including a bus end terminal.

**IMPORTANT:** For complete assembly instructions and compatibility between terminals see the PX-USER-M manual available for free download at [www.automationdirect.com](http://www.automationdirect.com).

Insert unit using tongue and groove molded guide and press gently until it becomes firmly seated on DIN rail.

Where applicable, rotate Locking Wheel to lock Bus Coupler



## REMOVAL

A locking mechanism prevents individual units from being pulled off. For bus terminal removal, pull the orange DIN rail release tab firmly to unlatch the unit from the rail. If attached to other terminal units, slide unit forward until released. For bus couplers, release the DIN rail locking wheel, then pull firmly on DIN rail release tab.

Where applicable, rotate Locking Wheel to unlock Bus Coupler



## HOT SWAP NOT PERMITTED

Always remove power from the system before inserting or removing bus terminals or couplers as failure to do so could cause malfunction or damage to the terminals, couplers or other connected devices.

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## SAFETY

To minimize the risk of potential safety problems, you should follow all applicable local and national codes that regulate the installation and operation of your equipment. These codes vary from area to area and it is your responsibility to determine which codes should be followed, and to verify that the equipment, installation, and operation are in compliance with the latest revision of these codes.

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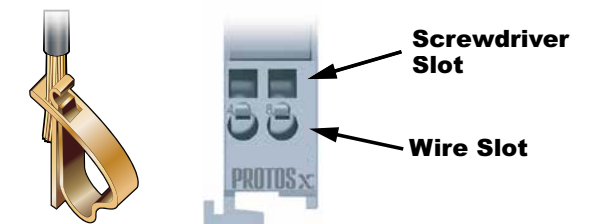
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## MODBUS FEATURES

The PX-MOD Bus Coupler functions as a slave in a Modbus RTU network. For complete details see the PX-USER-M manual.

## WIRING CONNECTION

Wire connection is made through a spring clamp style terminal. This terminal is designed for a single-conductor solid or stranded wire. Wire connection is made by firmly pushing the screwdriver into the screwdriver slot, inserting the wire into the wire slot and removing the screwdriver, locking the wire into position.



### Wiring Specifications

Connection Type	Spring Clamp Terminals
Wire Gauge / Wire Cross Section	28-14 AWG / 0.08 - 2.5mm <sup>2</sup>
Screw Driver Width	Use screwdriver width 2.5mm (0.10) such as our TW-SD-MSL-2
Wire Stripping Length	8mm

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