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# *Introduction*

This manual is a reference to the hardware components, configuration, programming and operation of Hot Standby CPU redundancy for the PACSystems RX3i and RX7i controllers. The information in this manual is intended to supplement the system installation, programming, and configuration information contained in the manuals listed under "Related Publications" on page 1-[5](#page-12-0).

# *Hot Standby CPU Redundancy*

Hot Standby CPU Redundancy allows a critical application or process to continue operating if a failure occurs in any single component. A Hot Standby system uses two CPUs; an active unit that actively controls the process, and a backup unit that is synchronized with the active unit and can take over the process if it becomes necessary. The two units are synchronized when both are in Run Mode, the backup unit has received the latest status and synchronization information from the active unit via a redundancy link, and both are running their logic solution in parallel.

Each unit must have a redundancy CPU and one or two Redundancy Memory Xchange (RMX) modules. The redundancy communication paths are provided by one or two pairs of RMX modules.

**Note:** We **strongly recommend** using two pairs of RMX modules configured as dual redundancy links. This practice eliminates the possibility of a single point of failure that using only one pair of RMX modules presents.

Control automatically switches to the backup unit when a failure is detected in the active unit. You can initiate a switch of control by activating a toggle switch on the RMX module or activating a service request in the application program. When a user-initiated switch of control occurs, the CPUs switch roles; the active unit becomes the backup unit and the backup unit becomes active.

The system runs synchronously with a transfer of all control data that defines machine status and any internal data needed to keep the two CPUs operating in sync. Critical control data plus all redundant outputs must be included in the output data transfer. The transfer of data from the active unit to the backup unit occurs twice per sweep, once before the logic is solved and once after the logic is solved. These CPU-to-CPU transfers are checked for data integrity.

The Primary and Secondary units in a redundancy system must be in the same controller family. An RX3i and an RX7i controller can *not* function as a redundant pair.

# *PACSystems HSB Redundancy Feature Summary*

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# *Online Programming*

On-line changes to the application program are permitted in both the active unit and the backup unit. The programming device must be connected to the unit in which changes are to be made in order to make any on-line changes.

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PACSystems releases 5.5 and later support run mode store (RMS) of the redundancy transfer list. This capability allows you to add, delete or modify transfer list entries without stopping the controllers.

Run mode stores are performed independently on both controllers. However, in a synchronized system, the optional *Dual RMS with Simultaneous Activation* feature can be used to defer activation of the newly stored application data until an RMS has been performed on both units. Because the PLC sweeps are synchronized, both units will activate the new logic and transfer lists on the same sweep. For additional information about the use of this feature, refer to "Run Mode Stores" in Chapter 4.

# *On-Line Repair and System Upgrade*

A Hot Standby CPU Redundancy system permits online repair of failed components without disrupting the control application. A failed component can be replaced in either unit after first removing power from the rack in which it is installed.

After replacing the component, returning power to the rack, and placing the CPU in Run mode, the repaired unit synchronizes with the currently active unit. Upon successful synchronization, the repaired unit becomes the backup unit.

#### *RX7i Systems Only*

The Redundancy CPU in each unit can be replaced with a different model in a similar manner. For example, you may want to replace the CRE020 models with CRE030 or CRE040 models, or CRE030 models with CRE040 models.

**Caution** 

**During normal operation, the primary and secondary units in an HSB redundancy system must have the same CPU model type. Extended operation with dissimilar CPU types is not allowed. Continued use of dissimilar CPU types may result in timing issues during synchronization.** 

The primary and secondary units with dissimilar CPU model types can be synchronized for a limited time, for the purpose of system upgrade only. Fail wait times for the higher performance CPU in a dissimilar redundant pair may need to be increased to allow synchronization. Either model can be in the primary or secondary unit.

Online repair and system CPU upgrade are described in more detail in chapter 6.

# *Definitions*



# <span id="page-12-0"></span>*Related Publications*

*PACSystems CPU Reference Manual,* GFK-2222 *PACSystems RX7i Installation Manual,* GFK-2223 *TCP/IP Ethernet Communications for PACSystems,* GFK-2224 *PACSystems RX7i User's Guide to Integration of VME Modules,* GFK-2235 *PACSystems Memory Exchange Modules,* GFK-2300 *PACSystems RX3i System Manual,* GFK-2314 *PACSystems RX3i Ethernet NIU User's Manual,* GFK-2439 *Series 90-30 Ethernet NIU User's Manual,* GFK-2296 *Genius I/O System User's Manual,* GEK-90486-1 *Genius Discrete and Analog Blocks User's Manual*, GEK-90486-2 *Series 90-70 Genius Bus Controller User's Manual,* GFK-2017 *Proficy Machine Edition Logic Developer-PLC Getting Started,* GFK-1918 *VersaMax Genius NIU User's Manual,* GFK-1535 *PACSystems RX3i Dual Genius Bus Quick Start Guide* (provided with the RX3i Dual Bus Templates)

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For the most recent versions of PACSystems and related documentation, visit the Support website.

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This chapter provides an overview of the steps needed to configure and operate a basic RX3i or RX7i Hot Standby (HSB) CPU Redundancy system with one Ethernet Remote IO (ENIU) using a ten-ENIU Machine Edition template.

- **Notes:** The Primary and Secondary units in a redundancy system must be of the same type. An RX3i and an RX7i controller cannot function as a redundant pair.
- **1. Install one Redundancy CPU, one or two RMX modules and three Ethernet modules each into two rack systems.**

One Rack system will be designated the Primary rack and the other will be designated the Secondary rack.

#### **2. With the CPU battery disconnected, apply power to the racks.**

When power is applied to the RMX module an internal loopback test occurs; the OWN DATA and SIGNAL DETECT indicators turn on briefly during this test. When the RMX module and the CPU are powered up and functioning properly, the RMX module's OK indicator is on.

#### **3. Connect a battery to each redundancy CPU.**

The redundancy CPUs support Error checking and correction (ECC) memory, which must be initialized at least one time with the battery disconnected. Once ECC memory is initialized, the CPU can be power cycled with the battery connected.

#### **4. Download and unzip the appropriate template set for your system.**

Templates for redundancy systems are available from the *Support* website. On the website, select *Downloads,* then select the *Developer Files* category.

For a list of available template sets, refer to the *PACSystems RX3i Ethernet NIU User's Manual,* GFK-2439. Each template set consists of a *controller* template and an *ENIU* template.

#### **5. Using the Machine Edition Logic Developer software, restore the controller project from the appropriate ten-ENIU template set.**

#### **6. Open the restored project. Assign IP addresses to all the Ethernet modules.**

In assigning IP addresses, consider the following functions:

#### *RX3i Configuration*



#### *RX7i Configuration*



The hardware configuration should appear similar to the following figure, which shows an RX3i configuration.

*Hardware Configuration provided by the Ten-ENIU Controller Template Project* 



**7. Use Fiber Optic cable to connect each RMX module in the Primary Rack to the corresponding RMX module in the Secondary Rack (the module in the same Slot number) as described below.** 

Using an LC- compatible multimode fiber optic cable, connect the RMX module's TX connector to the RX connector of the other RMX module. Connect the fiber optic cable from other RMX module's TX to the RX connector (see diagram at right).

When the fiber optic transceiver detects a signal on the network, the SIGNAL DETECT indicator will be on.



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#### **8. In PME, close the Controller project and restore the ENIU project from the ten-ENIU template set:**

Open the project and on target ENIU\_01 open the Hardware Configuration. Set the IP addresses of the ETM001 modules, taking into consideration that the ETM001 in Slot 4 will be on a private network called LANA (connected to LANA of the Redundancy CPUs) and the ETM001 in Slot 5 will be on a private network called LANB (connected to LANB of the Redundancy CPUs).

The hardware configuration should appear similar to the following figure, which shows an RX3i configuration.

*Hardware Configuration provided by the Ten-ENIU Template Project* 



#### **9. Add IO loopback logic to confirm data transfer between ENIU and Redundancy CPUs**

Under the Logic node in PME, open the Program Block "Local\_User\_Logic". Add the logic shown below to loop outputs %Q1-%Q16 back to inputs %I1-%I16.



- **10. Install a Power supply, RX3i ENIU (IC695NIU001) and two ETM001 modules into an RX3i backplane as shown the hardware configuration in step 6. Apply power to the system.**
- **11. Connect your PC to the ENIU via a Serial cable from the ENIU module's COM1 or COM2 port to one of your PC's COM ports or install an additional ETM001 module to the ENIU rack to provide connectivity via Ethernet. With the template folder open in PME, connect to the ENIU either by a COM port or by Ethernet.**

Store the ENIU 01 application to the ENIU and put the ENIU into run mode.

#### **12. Connect Ethernet cables between the Redundancy CPUs and the ENIU rack system.**

#### *RX3i Connections*

Connect one Ethernet cable from ETM001 in Primary Rack Slot 7 to ETM001 in ENIU Rack Slot 4. Connect one Ethernet cable from ETM001 in Primary Rack Slot 8 to ETM001 in ENIU Rack Slot 5.

Connect one Ethernet cable from ETM001 in Secondary Rack Slot 7 to ETM001 in ENIU Rack Slot 4. Connect one Ethernet cable from ETM001 in Secondary Rack Slot 8 to ETM001 in ENIU Rack Slot 5.

#### *RX7i Connections:*

Connect one Ethernet cable from ETM001 in Primary Rack Slot 5 to ETM001 in ENIU Rack Slot 4. Connect one Ethernet cable from ETM001 in Primary Rack Slot 6 to ETM001 in ENIU Rack Slot 5.

Connect one Ethernet cable from ETM001 in Secondary Rack Slot 5 to ETM001 in ENIU Rack Slot 4. Connect one Ethernet cable from ETM001 in Secondary Rack Slot 6 to ETM001 in ENIU Rack Slot 5.

#### **13. Connect Ethernet cables between an Ethernet switch connected to your PC and the ETM001 modules assigned as Programmer connections in both the Primary and Secondary units.**

#### **14. Close \_10ENIU\_CRU\_DLDI\_ENIUs\_1\_10 project in PME and again open project \_10ENIU\_CRU\_DLDI\_Controller.**

Right click on the Primary Hardware Configuration node and select "Set as Selected HWC." Connect to the Primary CPU, store the application and put the CPU in run mode.

Disconnect from the Primary CPU. Right click on the Secondary Hardware Configuration node and select "Set as Selected HWC." Connect to the Secondary CPU, store the application and put the CPU in run mode.

Right click on the "Reference View Tables" node and select "New." Double click on the "RefViewTable10" node just created. In the address box, enter %Q1. In the next address box below %Q00001, enter %I1. Right click into the Values area just to the left of the Address boxes and select "Format View Table." Check the box labeled "Apply to Whole Table", Select "Word" for the Display Type, select "Hex" for the Display Format and click OK. Enter values into the %Q00001 values area and notice that the same values are displayed at %I00001 because of the loopback logic in the ENIU.

*This quick start procedure demonstrates setup of a PACSystems Redundancy Controller pair controlling one ENIU remote IO station. This basic setup can be used to learn about other CPU Redundancy features such as Role Switching, Transfer Lists, Non-Synchronized Active Unit (NSAU) and Redundant IP. For details on the operation of CPU Redundancy systems, refer to the other chapters in this manual.* 

*For details on configuring an RX3i Genius dual bus redundancy system, refer to Appendix A.* 

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# *System Configuration*

This chapter describes the hardware components for a Hot Standby CPU Redundancy system and describes system configurations for the basic redundancy schemes supported by PACSystems controllers.

For installation instructions, refer to

*PACSystems RX7i Installation Manual,* GFK-2223

*PACSystems RX3i System Manual,* GFK-2314

# *Components of a Hot Standby Redundancy System*

- **System Racks**
- **Redundancy CPU**
- Redundancy Memory Xchange modules
- Redundant I/O System

#### *System Racks*

#### *RX3i Systems*

In an RX3i redundancy system, an RX3i (IC695CHS0xx) Universal Backplane must be used as the CPU rack, which is also referred to as Rack 0. For specific backplane versions required, refer to the *Important Product Information* document provided with your redundancy CPU.

Any RX3i expansion rack or any Series 90-30 expansion rack that is supported by RX3i can be used in an RX3i redundancy system.

#### *RX7i Systems*

In an RX7i redundancy system, any RX7i (IC698CHSxxx) rack can be used as Rack 0.

Any Series 90-70 expansion rack that is supported by RX7i can be used, *except* for the VME Integrator racks, IC697CHS782 and IC697CHS783.

## *Redundancy CPU Modules*

To use the features described in this manual, an RX7i Redundancy CPU module must be installed in rack 0, slot 1 of both the primary and secondary units. RX3i Redundancy CPUs can be installed in any slot in rack 0.

*Note:* A given feature may not be implemented on all PACSystems CPUs. To determine whether a feature is available on a given CPU model and firmware version, please refer to the *Important Product Information* (IPI) document provided with the CPU.

The CPU provides configurable reference memory limits for %AI (Analog Input), %AQ (Analog Output), %R (Register), and %W (bulk memory area) reference memory, as well as symbolic discrete reference memory and symbolic non-discrete reference memory. For additional CPU features and performance specifications, refer to the *PACSystems CPU Reference Manual,* GFK-2222.

Operation of the CPUs can be controlled by the three-position RUN/STOP switch or remotely by an attached programmer and programming software. Program and configuration data can be locked through software passwords. The LEDs on the front of the module indicate CPU and Ethernet interface status.

The CPUs have two configurable ports: COM 1 (RS-232) and COM2 (RS-485). The RX7i CPUs contain an embedded Ethernet interface board that controls two 10 BASE T/100 BASE TX ports and a configurable Station Manager (RS-232) port.

PACSystems CPUs support the following Ethernet interface features:

- **Redundant IP address**
- Production of selected EGD exchanges in backup mode
- RX7 icontroller data monitoring over the web. Supports a combined total of up to 16 web server and FTP connections.
- Up to 255 Ethernet Global Data (EGD) exchanges with up to 100 variables per exchange.
- EGD upload and selective consumption of EGD exchanges.
- Upload and download of an Advanced User Parameter (AUP) file, which contains user customizations to internal Ethernet operating parameters.
- Run mode store of EGD (PACSystems releases 5.5 and later), which allows you to add, delete or modify EGD exchanges without stopping the controller. For details on using this feature, refer to *TCP/IP Ethernet Communications for PACSystems,* GFK-2224.

#### *Redundancy CPUs Compared to Other PACSystems CPUs*

The following features are *not* available:

■ I/O and module interrupts: This includes the single edge triggered interrupts from the discrete input modules, the high alarm and low alarm interrupts from the analog input modules, and interrupts from VME modules. A program that declares I/O Interrupt triggers cannot be stored to a Redundancy CPU.

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- Interrupt Blocks (I/O, timed, module): Logic that contains interrupt blocks cannot be stored to the CPU.
- Stop I/O Scan mode: If an attempt is made to place the PLC in this mode, the PLC will reject the selection and return an error.
- #OVR\_PRE %S reference, which indicates whether one or more overrides are active, is not supported and should not be used.
- RX3i redundancy controllers do not support the PACMotion module (IC695PMM335).
- RX7i redundancy controllers do not support the 14-point interrupt module (IC697MDL671).
- RX7i redundancy controllers do not support VME integrator racks.

The following features operate differently with the redundancy CPUs than they do with other PACSystems CPUs:

- Error checking and correction (ECC) is enabled.
- RUN/DISABLED mode. This is explained in Chapter 5, "Operation."
- User-configurable fault actions are not used when the CPUs are synchronized.
- STOP to RUN mode transition. For details, see "Synchronizing Redundant CPUs" in chapter 5.
- Background Window Timer (in Normal Sweep mode) default is 5ms. It is highly recommended that the Background Window Timer be set to the same value for both CPUs making up a redundancy pair.
- By default, Ethernet Global Data (EGD) is produced only by the active unit. The backup unit can produce individual EGD exchanges that are configured for production in backup mode.

Also, be aware that instance data associated with IEC transitionals (PTCOIL, NTCOIL, PTCON, and NTCON) is not synchronized between the two CPUs. For details, refer to "Data Transfer" in chapter 5.

#### *Using the Redundancy CPU for Non-redundant Operation*

The Redundancy CPU can be used for both redundant and non-redundant applications. The functionality and performance of a Redundancy CPU configured for non-redundant operation is the same as for a unit that is configured for redundant operation with no backup available. This includes the redundancy informational messages such as those generated when a unit goes to Run mode. Refer to "Configuring the Redundancy CPU for Non-redundant Operation" in Chapter 4.

# *Redundancy Memory Xchange Modules*

The RMX modules provide a path for transferring data between the two redundancy CPUs. A complete communications path consists of one RMX in the primary unit, one RMX in the secondary unit, and two high-speed fiber optic cables connecting them to each other. This must be a two-node ring: no other reflective memory nodes are allowed to be part of this fiber optic network.

We *strongly recommend* that two redundancy links (for a total of four RMX modules) be configured and installed. Optionally, systems can be configured for a single redundancy link (for a total of two RMX modules).

RMX modules must be installed in the main rack (rack 0).

The RMX module has a toggle switch that can be used to manually request a role switch. Eight LEDs, described in the following table, provide indication of module status.

- **Note:** For RX7i systems, it is recommended that the RMX modules be installed in slots 3 and 4 of the main rack. This gives VME interrupt request priority to the RMX modules. Although this configuration is recommended, it is not required that the RMX modules be located in slots 3 and 4.
- *Note:* The RX3i RMX128 module supports hot insertion and removal. However, the redundancy communication link associated with a hot swapped RMX module will not be restored automatically. The LINK OK indicator on both RMX modules in the link will be OFF. To restore the link, refer to "Online Repair" in Chapter 6.

#### *RMX LEDs*



## *Redundant I/O Systems*

#### *Ethernet Network Interface Unit (ENIU)*

CPU-based ENIU modules can be used to interface the RX7i or RX3i Redundancy CPU to remote I/O stations through Ethernet LANs. These devices, which include IC695NIU001 and IC693NIU004, make it possible to use PACSystems RX3i and Series 90-30 I/O remotely on an Ethernet network.

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An identical set of EGD exchange definitions is downloaded to both the primary and secondary controllers. An ENIU can consume EGD exchanges from two controllers simultaneously. However, when used with redundant controllers, the ENIU automatically switches to the standby controller if the active controller becomes unavailable.

For sample redundancy systems using EGD, see page 3[-6.](#page-25-0) For details on EGD operation in a redundancy system, see "Ethernet Global Data in an HSB Redundancy System" in chapter 5. For details on the operation of ENIUs, see the *PACSystems RX3i Ethernet NIU User's Manual,* GFK-2439

#### *Genius Bus Controller and Genius Devices*

The Genius Bus Controller interfaces the Redundancy CPU to a Genius I/O bus. The bus controller scans Genius devices asynchronously and exchanges I/O data with the CPU.

An HSB CPU Redundancy system can have multiple Genius I/O bus networks. Any Genius device can be placed on the bus (Genius blocks, Field Control, Remote I/O Scanner, VersaMax I/O, etc.). The Genius outputs are determined by the active unit. The Genius Bus Controller in the primary unit has a Serial Bus Address of 31; the Genius Bus Controller in the secondary unit has a Serial Bus Address of 30. For sample redundancy systems using Genius I/O, see page 3[-11](#page-30-0).

*Note:* For RX3i systems, with Dual Genius Buses only VersaMax I/O Genius Network Interface Units (GNIU) are supported at this time. For non Dual Genius Buses, any Genius device can be placed on the bus (Genius blocks, Field Control, Remote I/O Scanner, VersaMax I/O, etc.)

#### *Local I/O*

Local I/O can be included in either unit; however, it is *not* part of the redundant I/O system. A failure in the Local I/O system will affect the unit as described in the *PACSystems CPU Reference Manual,* GFK-2222.

# <span id="page-25-0"></span>*CPU Redundancy Using Ethernet NIU Remote I/O*

This section discusses sample system architectures using Ethernet remote I/O with CPU hot-standby redundancy systems.

These sample system architectures support both *general communications* (such as a programmer connection) and *remote I/O data transfers*. Remote I/O data transfers use EGD to and from the ENIUs.

For general communication in a hot-standby redundancy system, the Redundant IP feature must be enabled for the Ethernet interface. In general communication, only the active CPU produces EGD exchanges. When a redundancy role switch occurs, the backup CPU becomes active and begins producing EGD. The formerly active CPU switches to backup and stops producing EGD.

For remote I/O operation, the active and backup CPUs simultaneously process remote I/O EGD exchanges for each ENIU. For architectures using redundant remote I/O LANs, the CPUs process separate remote I/O EGD exchanges on each LAN. All EGD exchanges that can simultaneously occur on a network must have unique Exchange IDs. Hence remote I/O exchanges that are produced by both the primary and secondary units must have different Exchange ID values. Remote I/O EGD production continues across CPU role switches. The application logic in the ENIU selects which EGD remote I/O output exchanges to consume for controlling outputs.

If the active controller transitions to Run IO Disabled mode, it continues to receive inputs from the ENIU. However the ENIU no longer receives outputs from the controller. The ENIU's status words can be monitored to detect communication activity. For details on the status words, refer to *PACSystems RX3i Ethernet NIU User's Manual,* GFK-2439.

**Note:** These architectures are based on the template sets provided for use with Proficy Machine Edition and Proficy Process Systems programmers. The templates are set up with coordinated references and coordinated parameters for 10, 20, or 24 ENIUs. For systems with other numbers of ENIUs, select the template with the next larger number of ENIUs and delete the extra ENIUs.

For details about the ENIU configuration and operation and use of the ENIU templates, refer to the *PACSystems RX3i Ethernet NIU User's Manual,* GFK-2439.

#### *Dual Controller, Single LAN Systems*



The following template sets are available to configure these architectures.

#### *RX7i Dual Controller, Single LAN System*

In this architecture, general communications and remote I/O data transfer exist on separate Ethernet LANs and thus do not contend for network bandwidth. This keeps remote I/O performance from being degraded.

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The Redundant IP feature is enabled for the Ethernet interface in both controllers to permit general communications. Any EGD exchanges used for general CPU communications are not produced in backup mode.

The produced EGD exchanges that are used for remote I/O data transfer are configured as "Produce in backup mode" so that they will be produced in both active and backup mode.

For easier configuration, each EGD exchange marked as "Produce in backup" is configured with the Exchange ID value used by the Primary unit. The Programmer automatically generates a unique Exchange ID value for the Secondary unit by adding the configured "Secondary Produced Exchange Offset" value to the configured Exchange ID value. For details on the exchange offset, see "Ethernet Global Data Production" in chapter 5.



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# *Dual Controller, Dual LAN Systems*

The following template sets are available to configure these architectures.



#### *RX7i Dual Controller, Dual LAN System*

In this system architecture, the remote I/O stations each have two Ethernet modules to provide the stations with redundant LAN connections to the controllers. LAN 3 acts as a backup to LAN 2.

The Redundant IP feature is enabled for the Ethernet interfaces on LAN 1 because it handles general communications. EGD exchanges used for general CPU communications are not produced in backup mode.

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Each controller uses a separate Ethernet interface for communication on each remote I/O LAN (one for LAN 2 and another for LAN 3). The remote I/O EGD exchanges are configured on the Ethernet interfaces for the appropriate LAN.



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# <span id="page-30-0"></span>*Genius Hot Standby Operation*

In a Genius Hot Standby CPU redundancy system, the Genius outputs are controlled by only one unit (the active unit). The inputs are shared between both units. One unit is the Primary unit and the other is the Secondary unit. The Primary unit contains all externally redundant Genius Bus Controllers at SBA 31; the Secondary unit contains all externally redundant Genius Bus Controllers at SBA 30.

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The Genius output devices are normally configured for Genius Hot Standby redundant operation. With this configuration, the devices choose between outputs from the Genius Bus Controller at SBA 31 and the Genius Bus Controller at SBA 30. If outputs from both Genius Bus Controllers are available, the devices will use outputs from SBA 31. If there are no outputs from SBA 31 for three consecutive Genius I/O bus scans, the devices will use the outputs from SBA 30. If outputs are not available from either SBA 31 or 30, the outputs go to their configured default (OFF or hold last state).

### *Genius Output Control*

In a Genius Hot Standby CPU Redundancy system, the active unit determines the values of the Genius outputs.

Both the primary and secondary units send outputs regardless of which one is active. The user is responsible for ensuring that all redundant Genius outputs<sup>[\\*](#page-30-1)</sup> are included in the output data transfer. Because the same output values will then be sent to the GBCs in both units, the devices will receive the same output values from SBA 31 and SBA 30. There is no data interruption on switchover because both units are always sending Genius outputs.

# *Basic CPU Redundancy Using Genius I/O*

Hot Standby CPU Redundancy supports two types of bus schemes for the Genius networks:

- Single bus networks
- Dual bus networks
- **Note:** For RX3 isystems, Dual Genius Bus support is provided by a set of logic blocks. Templates for Rx3i Dual Genius Bus support can be downloaded from the Support web site. For details on using these templates, refer to Appendix A, "RX3i Dual Genius Bus Overview" and the *PACSystems RX3i Dual Genius Bus Quick Start Guide,* which is provided with the RX3i Dual Bus Templates.

PACSystems CPU Redundancy implements a floating master algorithm. If an application requires a preferred master algorithm, see "Implementing Preferred Master" in chapter 5.

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In an RX3i CPU Redundancy system, when a GBC is configured as Redundant Controller – External, all its outputs are redundant.

#### *Single Bus Networks*

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This type of network uses a single bus with one Genius bus controller in each PLC.

*Sample RX7i Single Genius Bus Redundancy System* 



*Sample RX3i Single Genius Bus Redundancy System* 



The single bus setup is suitable if the application does not require redundant I/O busses.

When using single-bus Genius networks in a Hot Standby CPU Redundancy system, one Genius Bus Controller for the bus must be located in the primary unit and one in the secondary unit. There can be multiple Genius busses in the system. The bus controllers in the primary unit are assigned Serial Bus Address 31. The bus controllers in the secondary unit are assigned Serial Bus Address 30.

Genius output devices will use outputs from Serial Bus Address 31 in preference to outputs from Serial Bus Address 30. Outputs are determined by the active unit, regardless of which bus controller provides the outputs since all redundant Genius outputs are transferred from the active unit to the backup unit.

Any type of Genius device can be connected to the network. Each Genius network can have up to 30 additional Genius devices connected to it. You may want to reserve one Serial Bus Address for the Hand-Held Monitor.

As a safety feature, a watchdog timer protects each Genius I/O link. The bus controller periodically resets this timer. If the timer expires, the bus controller stops sending outputs. If this happens in a Single Bus Genius network of a CPU Redundancy system, the paired GBC in the other unit drives the outputs of the Genius devices. The cause of the failure must be remedied to re-establish communications.

#### *Hardware Configuration for RX7i Single Bus Network*

For RX7i targets, the hardware configuration for single bus networks can be created by selecting *Redundant Controllers, Two PLCs* in the Redundancy Wizard.

The GBCs must be configured with the following settings.

**Redundancy Mode:** Redundant Controller

**Paired GBC**: External

**SBA:** 31 (primary unit) or 30 (secondary unit)

The redundant devices must be configured for Hot Standby mode. For example, use the following settings for a Genius block:

(Programming software) Redundancy = YES (Hand-Held Monitor) CPU Redundancy = HOT STBY MODE (Hand-Held Monitor) BSM Present = NO

#### *Hardware Configuration for RX3i Single Bus Network*

For RX3i targets, the hardware configuration for single bus networks is created by adding a GBC and adding Genius devices to that GBC.

The GBCs must be configured with the following settings.

**Redundancy Mode:** Redundant Controller - External

**SBA:** 31 (primary unit) or 30 (secondary unit)

The Genius devices must be configured for Hot Standby mode. For example, use the following settings for a Genius block:

(Hand-Held Monitor) CPU Redundancy = HOT STBY MODE (Hand-Held Monitor) BSM Present = NO

#### *Dual Bus Networks*

This option provides redundancy of both the PLC and the I/O bus. This type of system uses dual busses with bus controllers in each PLC. The Dual Bus network is suitable if the application requires redundancy of the PLC and the I/O bus**.** 

A Bus Switching Module (BSM) is required to connect the initial block in the Genius block daisy chain to the dual bus.



*Sample RX7i Dual Genius Bus Redundancy System* 

#### *Sample RX3i Dual Genius Bus Redundancy System*



When using dual bus Genius networks in a Hot Standby CPU Redundancy system, two Bus Controllers for the bus pair must be located in the primary unit and two more in the secondary unit. There can be multiple dual bus pairs. The bus controllers in the primary unit are assigned Serial Bus Address 31. The bus controllers in the secondary unit are assigned Serial Bus Address 30.

Genius output devices will use outputs from Serial Bus Address 31 in preference to outputs from Serial Bus Address 30. Outputs are determined by the active unit, regardless of which bus controller provides the outputs since all redundant Genius outputs are transferred from the active unit to the backup unit.

Any type of Genius device can be connected to the network. Each Genius network can have up to 30 additional Genius devices connected to it. You may want to reserve one Serial Bus Address for the Hand-Held Monitor.

As a safety feature, a watchdog timer protects each Genius I/O link. The bus controller periodically resets this timer. If the timer expires, the bus controller stops sending outputs. If this happens in a Dual Bus Genius network of a CPU Redundancy system, the paired GBC in the other unit drives the outputs of the Genius devices. If the GBC in the other unit is not available, the BSMs switch to the other bus. The cause of the failure must be remedied to re-establish communications.

#### *Hardware Configuration for RX7i Dual Bus Network*

The hardware configuration for this type of network can be created by selecting *Dual Bus, Redundant Controllers* in the Redundancy Wizard.

The GBCs must be configured with the following settings:

**Redundant Mode =** Dual Bus\_Redundant Controller

**Paired GBC =** External and Internal

**SBA =** 31 (primary unit) or 30 (secondary unit)

The redundant devices must be configured for Hot Standby and dual bus mode. For example, use the following settings for a Genius block:

(Programming Software) Redundancy = YES

(Hand-Held Monitor) CPU Redundancy = HOT STBY MODE

(Hand-Held Monitor) BSM Present = YES

(Hand-Held Monitor) BSM Controller = YES (if BSM is mounted) or NO

#### *Hardware Configuration for RX3i Dual Bus Network*

The hardware configuration for this type of network can be created by adding two GBCs, one for each bus, and adding the Genius devices to both GBCs. See the *PACSystems RX3i Dual Genius Bus Quick Start Guide* for more information.

The GBCs must be configured with the following settings:

**Redundancy Mode:** Redundant Controller - External

**SBA:** 31 (primary unit) or 30 (secondary unit)

The GBCs must be configured with the following settings:

The Genius devices must be configured for Hot Standby and dual bus mode. For example, use the following settings for a VersaMax GNIU.

(Programmer) CPU Redundancy = HOT Standby

(Programmer) BSM Present = YES

(Programmer) BSM Controller = YES

**Note:** Templates for RX3i Dual Bus Genius come with the VersaMax GNIUs already configured for the correct Genius network settings.
### *Location of GBCs and Blocks*

For fastest switching, all Genius Bus Controllers in the Hot Standby CPU Redundancy system should be in the main rack. This will cause the Genius Bus Controller to lose power at the same time that the CPU loses power and allow the backup unit to gain full control of the I/O as soon as possible. Each GBC has an output timer that it resets during every output scan. If the GBC determines that the CPU in its PLC has failed, it will stop sending outputs to its Genius devices. This allows the other GBC to take control of the I/O.

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For single and dual bus Genius networks, the Genius bus controllers should be placed at the same end of the bus, as shown on page 3-[14](#page-33-0). In particular, **the secondary unit should be placed at one end of the bus and the primary unit must be placed between the secondary unit and the Genius devices. No I/O blocks or other devices should be located on the bus between the bus controllers.**

In the case of dual bus networks, placing the bus controllers and devices in this manner minimizes the risk of a bus break between the two units. A bus break between the units could result in only some devices switching busses, and make the other devices inaccessible to one of the units. It also allows the primary unit to continue to control the I/O in bus failure conditions that might otherwise result in loss of inputs and unsynchronized control of outputs.

Since the recommended configuration for single and dual bus networks still has the possibility of a bus breaking between the two CPUs, you may want to program the application to monitor the status of the busses from the unit configured at the end of the busses and request a role switch or bus switch (dual bus network only) if loss of bus is detected.

### *Duplex Genius Output Mode*

Although it is not common, you can configure your Genius I/O system for duplex mode, meaning that they will receive outputs from *both* bus controllers 30 and 31 and compare them. Only devices that have discrete outputs can be configured for Duplex mode.

If the controllers at SBAs 30 and 31 agree on an output state, the output goes to that state. If the controllers at SBAs 30 and 31 send different states for an output, the device defaults that output to its pre-selected Duplex Default State. For example:



If either controller 30 or 31 stops sending outputs to the device, outputs will be directly controlled by the remaining controller.

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# *Configuration Requirements*

This chapter defines the special configuration requirements of a Hot Standby CPU Redundancy system.

When the program logic will be the same for both units, it is recommended that you use a Dual HWC Target. When you select a Redundancy CPU, the programming software automatically presents the Dual HWC Target. The remainder of this chapter assumes a Dual HWC Target.

If you do not want to use the same logic in both units, you should create two separate targets and set the target property, Dual HWC to FALSE in each target.



**If both units are configured as primary or as secondary, they will not recognize each other. If this happens in an RX7i system, the GBCs report SBA conflict faults and blink their LEDs. If this happens in an RX3i system, the GBCs only blink their LEDs and no fault is reported.** 

**Correct the configuration of both units before placing either unit in Run mode.** 

**Note:** The Redundancy CPU can be used for redundant and non-redundant applications. For non-redundant applications, set the Dual HWC for the Target to False and do not configure any redundancy links.

# *Using the Redundancy Wizards*

Machine Edition software provides redundancy wizards to create a hardware configuration with the correct parameter settings for the redundancy scheme that you choose. See "Configuration Parameters" for details on parameters specific to redundancy systems. To launch the wizard, go to the Navigation window, right click Hardware Configuration, point to Redundancy, and then choose Wizard.



To configure a Hot Standby CPU Redundancy system using the wizards:

- 1. Run the Set up Primary Hardware Configuration for CPU Redundancy wizard. This wizard configures a redundancy CPU in slot 1 of the main rack and allows you to select the location of the RMX modules used for redundancy links.
- 2. *For RX7i systems,* run the Add GBCs for Genius Redundancy wizard to configure Genius bus controllers in the primary unit.

*For RX3i systems,* configure the Genius bus controllers in Hardware Configuration.

- 3. Complete configuration of all parameters for the primary unit.
- 4. When you have finished configuring the primary unit, run the Generate Secondary Hardware Configuration from the Current Configuration wizard. This wizard copies the primary hardware configuration to the secondary configuration and adjusts appropriate parameters for the secondary configuration.
- 5. Edit the configuration parameters for each item in the secondary unit's hardware configuration that is unique for the secondary unit (for example, the secondary unit's direct IP address and the CPU's SNP ID).

## *Synchronizing the Hardware Configurations*

To synchronize the two configurations (after making changes to the primary configuration or uploading a different primary configuration), right click Hardware Configuration, choose Redundancy, and Mirror to Secondary Hardware Configuration. This command copies the primary hardware configuration to the secondary configuration and adjusts appropriate parameters for the secondary configuration.

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**Note:** You can control whether the contents of specific slots in the primary configuration are copied to the secondary configuration. If the Mirror to Secondary property for a slot is set to True (default), the configured module in that slot in the primary configuration overwrites the corresponding slot in the secondary configuration. I/O variables associated with a module in the primary configuration are copied to the corresponding module in the secondary configuration.

Ė<sup>...</sup> On RX7i Data Watch Lists **Demonstration** [Primary] D-111 Rack 0 (IC698CH5017) Set as Selected HWC  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  Slot 0 (IC698PSA350) Hardware Reference View  $\overline{E}$   $\overline{B}$  Slot 1 (IC698CRE020) Report Ctrl+T …<mark>聖</mark>』 Ethernet · | Slot 2 (Used With Slot 1) Add Rack ■ Slot 3 (IC698RMX016) Redundancy Wizard... g Slot 4 (IC698RMX016) A Slot 5 (IC697MDL240) Mirror to Secondary Hardware Configuration Import from File... Slot 6 (Used With Slot 5) Export to File...  $\Box$  Slot 7()

To prevent a slot from being mirrored, set this property to False.

# *Hardware Configuration Parameters*

### *CPU Parameters*

This section discusses only the parameters that apply to redundancy systems. For information on all the CPU parameters, see the *PACSystems CPU Reference Manual,* GFK-2222.

### *Settings*



### *Scan Parameters*

### *Communications Window Considerations*

The redundancy CPU supports the use of high-speed communications modules such as the Ethernet Interface. Requests from devices attached to these communications modules are handled in the Controller and Backplane Communications windows. Because these requests can be sent in large volumes, there is the potential for either of these windows to be processing requests for a significant amount of time.

One way to reduce the risk of one CPU failing to rendezvous at a synchronization point with the other CPU is to configure the Controller and Backplane Communications windows for Limited Window mode. This sets a maximum time for these windows to run.

Other options are to configure the CPU sweep mode as Constant Window or Constant Sweep. The CPU will then cycle through the communications and background windows for approximately the same amount of time in both units.





### *Fault Parameters*



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*Redundancy Parameters* 

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Default</b>	<b>Choices</b>	<b>Description</b>			
Redundancy <b>Mode</b>	Primary	Primary Secondary	Specifies whether the current Hardware Configuration is Primary or Secondary.			
		(Read-only when the Dual HWC target property is set to True.)	Note: When the Dual HWC target property is set to True, one Hardware Configuration is automatically set to Primary, and the other to Secondary.			
<b>Control</b> <b>Strategy</b>	<b>HSB</b>	<b>HSB</b>	Selects the HSB control strategy.			
<b>Fail Wait</b> Time	60	60 through 400 ms, in increments of 10 ms.	The maximum amount of time this CPU waits for the other CPU to reach a synchronization point.			
			For recommendations on setting Fail Wait time, see chapter 5.			
Redundancy <b>Links</b>	Determined by number of redundancy links configured for this unit.	Read-only 0: The CPU behaves as a redundancy CPU without a backup. 1: The CPU behaves as a redundancy CPU with one redundancy link. 2: The CPU behaves as a redundancy CPU with two redundancy links. - <b>Strongly Recommended</b>	The number of redundancy links configured for this unit. Each redundancy link is a pair of RMX modules (one in each unit) that have the Redundancy Link parameter set to Enabled.			
--- Redundancy Link 1 ---						
Rack <b>Number</b>	$\Omega$	(Read only) 0	The rack location of the first RMX module. (Shown only if the Redundancy Links parameter is 1 or 2.)			
<b>Slot Number</b>	Determined by slot location of RMX module.	(Read-only)	The slot location of the first RMX module. (Shown only if the Redundancy Links parameter is 1 or 2.)			
--- Redundancy Link 2 ---						
Rack <b>Number</b>	$\Omega$	(Read-only) 0	The rack location of the second redundancy link. (Shown only if the Redundancy Links parameter is 2.)			
<b>Slot Number</b>	Determined by slot location of RMX module.	(Read-only)	The slot location of the second redundancy link. (Shown only if the Redundancy Links parameter is 2.)			

### <span id="page-45-0"></span>*Transfer List*

Use this tab to select the ranges of references that will be transferred from the active unit to the backup unit. If the program logic requires identical input values for the two units, those references must be included in the input transfer list.

A maximum of 2Mbytes of data can be included in the transfer list. The amount of data transferred is also limited by the amount of user memory consumption. Overrides and Legacy-style Transitions are transferred for any specified discrete transfer data, as well as point fault information for transferred discrete and analog data if Point Faults are enabled. Transferred data, along with user program, configuration, and reference memory size, etc. all count against the user memory size and contributes to the CPU scan time.

Because the redundancy transfer list is part of hardware configuration, the transfer lists in both units must be the same for synchronization to occur.

**Note:** Individual variables can also be configured as transferred variables in either or both the input and output transfer lists. For details, see page 4-[14.](#page-51-0)

To view the amount of memory used for transfer data (redundancy memory usage), go online and store the configuration. Then right click the Target, choose Online Commands, and select Show Status. In the status dialog box, select the Redundancy tab.



#### *Genius HSB*

If the program logic requires identical input values for the two units, those references (including Genius inputs) must be included in the input transfer list.

You must include all redundant Genius outputs, i.e. those %Q and %AQ references tied to redundant Genius devices, in the output transfer list.<sup>\*</sup> Failure to do so will result in the primary unit always determining the output values, even when it is the backup unit. By default, Machine Edition generates an error and prevents storing of the configuration if a redundant output is not included in the transfer list. For special situations, you can adjust the Target property, Genius Output, to generate a warning instead.

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<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Default</b>	<b>Choices</b>	<b>Description</b>	
<b>Input/Output Transfer Point</b>				
%I Reference	%10000 1	This address must be byte-aligned, that is, it must have a value of $8n + 1$ . Example: %100025, where $25 = (8 * 3) + 1$ .	The starting address for the range of %I references that are synchronized between the redundant CPUs.	
%I Length	$\mathbf 0$	0 through $(32,768 - Iref + 1)$ , in increments of 8, where $lref = the value set in the %l$ Reference parameter.	The number of %I references that are synchronized between the redundant CPUs.	
%Q Reference	%Q000 01	This address must be byte-aligned, that is, it must have a value of $8n + 1$ . Example: %Q00049, where $49 = (8 * 6) + 1$ .	The starting address for the range of %Q references that are synchronized between the redundant CPUs.	
%Q Length	$\Omega$	0 through (32,768 - Qref + 1), in increments of 8, where $Qref = the value$ set in the %Q Reference parameter.	The number of %Q references that are synchronized between the redundant CPUs.	
%M Reference	%M000 01	This address must be byte-aligned, that is, it must have a value of $8n + 1$ . Example: %M00121, where $121 = (8 * 15) + 1$ .	The starting address for the range of %M references that are synchronized between the redundant CPUs.	
%M Length	$\mathbf 0$	0 through (32,768 - Mref + 1), in increments of 8, where Mref $=$ the value set in the %M Reference parameter.	The number of %M references that are synchronized between the redundant CPUs.	
%G Reference	%G000 01	This address must be byte-aligned, that is, it must have a value of $8n + 1$ . Example: %G00081, where $81 = (8 * 10) + 1$ .	The starting address for the range of %G references that are synchronized between the redundant CPUs.	
%G Length	$\Omega$	0 through (7,680 - Gref + 1), in increments of 8, where Gref = the value set in the %G Reference parameter.	The number of %G references that are synchronized between the redundant CPUs.	
%Al Reference	%AI000 01	The limit configured for %AI references is based on values provided in the Memory tab. The value of the beginning references plus the value of the length must be less than, or equal to, the configured limit.	The starting address for the range of %AI references that are synchronized between the redundant CPUs.	
%Al Length	$\mathbf 0$	0 through (Alul - Alref + 1), where Aiul = the upper limit of %AI memory configured on the Memory tab, and Airef = the value set in the %AI Reference parameter.	The number of %AI references that are synchronized between the redundant CPUs.	

<span id="page-46-0"></span><sup>∗</sup> In an RX3i CPU Redundancy system, when a GBC is configured as Redundant Controller - External, all its outputs are redundant.

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# *Redundancy Memory Xchange Module Parameters*

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### *Ethernet Interface Parameters*

Each unit contains at least one Ethernet interface that is assigned a direct IP address used to directly access the specific unit. A third, redundant, IP address can be assigned to the pair of Ethernet interfaces in both the primary and secondary units. The redundant IP address is active on the Ethernet interface in only one of the units at a time, the active unit. All data sent to the redundant IP address (including EGD produced to the redundant IP address) is handled by the active unit. When active, the Ethernet interface always initiates communications using the redundant IP address. When the unit is not active, all communications are initiated through the direct IP address. For more information about the Redundant IP address, refer to "Redundant IP Addresses" in chapter 5.

You can have up to four Ethernet interfaces in each rack, including the embedded Ethernet interface in an RX7i CPU. Each Ethernet interface can be set up as part of a pair for the purposes of redundant IP. (You can also include Ethernet interfaces in the unit that are not part of a redundant IP pair.)

When an Ethernet Interface is configured to produce Ethernet Global Data (EGD), you must configure a redundant IP address in addition to the direct IP address. For more information about using EGD in a redundancy system, see chapter 5.



### *Rack Module Configuration Parameters*

### *I/O Interrupts*

Interrupts cannot be ENABLED when the configured CPU is a Redundancy CPU. When a redundant CPU is configured, any interrupts enabled in the configuration are DISABLED.

### *I/O Variables*

An I/O variable is a symbolic variable that is mapped to a terminal in the hardware configuration for individual modules. A terminal can be one of the following: a physical discrete or analog I/O point on a PACSystems module or on a Genius device, a discrete or analog status returned from a PACSystems module, or Global Data. The use of I/O variables allows you to configure hardware modules without having to specify the reference addresses to use when scanning their inputs and outputs. Instead, you can directly associate variable names with a module's inputs and outputs.

I/O variables can be used any place that other symbolic variables are supported, such as in logic as parameters to built-in function blocks, user defined function blocks, parameterized function blocks, C blocks, bit-in-word references, and transitional contacts and coils. For additional information on the use of I/O variables, see the *PACSystems CPU Reference Manual,* GFK-2222.



*Mapping Hardware I/O Variables Example* 

### *Using I/O Variables in a Redundancy System*

In a redundancy system, the mapping of I/O variables must be the same in both units. It is possible to have different modules configured in each unit, as long as the modules that differ do not have I/O variables assigned to them.

When an I/O variable is added, moved or deleted in one hardware configuration, Machine Edition performs the same action on the other hardware configuration. If you move a module with I/O variables to a different rack location, the variables in the corresponding module in the other hardware configuration are disassociated, causing an I/O Variable Mismatch error. If an I/O variable is assigned to a module in one unit without a corresponding I/O variable on a module of the same type in the other unit, an I/O Variable Mismatch error will be generated upon validation.

I/O variables can be configured as transferred variables in either or both the input and output transfer lists. For details, see "Adding Individual Variables to the Transfer Lists" on page 4-[14.](#page-51-0)

### <span id="page-50-2"></span>*Genius Bus Configuration*

### *Bus Controller Configuration Parameters*

- When configuring the PRIMARY PLC, all GBCs configured for external redundancy<sup>\*</sup> must have Serial Bus Address 31.
- When configuring the SECONDARY PLC, all GBCs configured for external redundancy<sup>[∗](#page-50-1)</sup> must have Serial Bus Address 30.
- **Note:** It is possible to configure Genius networks in which there is not a redundant bus controller in the other unit. For such networks, it is not necessary for the serial bus addresses to be 31 in the primary unit and 30 in the secondary unit.
- For single Genius bus networks in RX7i targets, the GBCs' Redundancy Mode parameter must be configured for Redundant Controller with the redundant pair set to External.
- For single Genius bus networks in RX3i targets, the GBCs' Redundancy Mode parameter must be configured for Redundant Controller — External.
- For Dual Bus Genius networks in RX7i targets, the GBCs must be configured for Dual Bus/Redundant Controller.
- For Dual Bus Genius networks in RX3i targets, the GBCs must be configured for Redundant Controller — External.
- **Note:** Dual Bus Genius networks in RX3i targets need to be configured manually, and %I and %AI references on Genius bus B must have offsets. The %I offset is 10000 and the %AI offset is 5000.
- **Note:** GBCs for networks that are connected to just one unit may have any setting.

#### *Genius Device Configuration Parameters*

All Genius devices that are connected to both units must be configured as redundant.  $*$ 

**Note:** Devices that are connected to just one unit may use any available setting.

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<span id="page-50-1"></span>In an RX3i CPU Redundancy System, when a GBC is configured as Redundant Controller – External, all its outputs are redundant.

# <span id="page-51-0"></span>*Adding Individual Variables to the Transfer Lists*

Individual variables can be configured as transferred variables in the input transfer list and/or the output transfer list. Mapped, managed (symbolic and I/O), and function block instance variables can be transferred. This is the only way that managed and function block instance variables can be transferred.

The following types of variables cannot be transferred:

- Mapped BOOL variables with bit-in-word addresses
- Elements of BOOL arrays that are mapped to word memories (%R, %W, %AI, %AQ)
- Aliases to variables

The Input Transfer List and Output Transfer List properties for a variable are set to False by default. To add or remove a variable to or from the variable transfer list, edit the Properties for that variable.

In most cases, a variable should be part of the input or output transfer, but not both. In some unusual cases, where there is a need to update a variable at both transfer points in the sweep, the variable may be configured for both lists.

#### *Mapped Variables*

An advantage of configuring mapped variables this way instead of including them in the CPU's Transfer List is that the transfer properties are tied to the variable, not the memory location. If you need to relocate a variable, you do not risk accidentally moving it out of the transfer area.



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Mapped variables must be assigned to one

of the memory ranges allowed for redundancy transfer: %I, %AI, %Q, %AQ, %R, %M, %W, or %G.

**Note:** If a mapped variable within a range specified in the CPU hardware configuration Transfer List (page 4-[8](#page-45-0)) is also configured as a transferred variable, it will be transferred twice.

#### *Arrays*

Arrays can be configured as Mixed transferred variables, allowing individual elements to be included in the input transfer list and/or the output transfer list. If the top level of the array variable is set to True or False for either list, all elements in the array are set to the top-level value for that list.

#### *Instance Data Structure Variables*

All elements of instance data structure variables, such as those associated with a function block, are transferred according to the setting of the head of the data structure.

# *Using the Variable Transfer List Report*

The report provides the total number of variable bytes, the total whole bytes, and the total partial bytes included in the input and the output transfer lists.

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To access this report, right click the Target and select Report. In the Available Reports list, select Variable Transfer List Report and click OK.



# *Storing (Downloading) Hardware Configuration*

A PACSystems control system is configured by creating a configuration file in the programming software, then transferring (downloading) the file from the programmer to the CPU via the Ethernet Interface or serial port. The CPU stores the configuration file in its non-volatile RAM memory.

In the programming software all online operations, including downloading a folder, are performed on the PLC that is the selected hardware configuration. You must download the hardware configuration to each PLC in the redundancy system in a separate operation.



**If both units are configured as primary or as secondary, they will not recognize each other. If this happens in an RX7i system, the GBCs report SBA conflict faults and blink their LEDs. If this happens in an RX3i system, the GBCs only blink their LEDs and no fault is reported.** 

**Correct the configuration of both units before placing either unit in Run mode.** 

1. Make sure the primary HWC is selected.

> To select a hardware configuration, right click on Hardware Configuration and choose Set as Selected HWC.

2. If not already done, set the physical port parameters for the primary unit in the Target properties.



- 3. Connect to the CPU. Make sure the CPU is in Stop mode.
- 4. Download.
- 5. Go offline.
- 6. Select the secondary HWC.
- 7. If not already done, set the physical port parameters for the secondary unit in the Target properties.
- 8. Connect to the CPU. Make sure the CPU is in Stop mode.
- 9. Download.

# *Run Mode Stores*

PACSystems releases 5.5 and later support run mode store (RMS) of the redundancy transfer list. This capability allows you to add, delete or modify transfer list entries without stopping the controllers.

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If two redundant units are synchronized, the RMS must be performed as a dual operation. However, when a redundant unit is not synchronized to another unit, the redundancy transfer list can be stored in a single RMS. This facilitates the commissioning phase of a redundancy system, where the redundant partner may not be in place yet.



**Do not attempt to synchronize a unit while an RMS is in progress to a non-synchronized active unit. If the unit attempting to synchronize in this case is taken to run mode, both units will be non-synchronized active units.** 

An RMS of the transfer list requires two copies of the redundancy configuration to be resident on the PLC for a short time. During that period both copies of the transfer list are charged against the user memory limit. If there is not enough user space available for both copies (along with any new logic or EGD data that is part of the RMS), the store will fail.

### *Dual RMS with Simultaneous Activation In Redundant Systems*

**Warning** 

**A synchronous RMS of invalid user logic or configuration, such as would cause a watchdog or processor exception, could cause both units to fail. To mitigate the risk of such application errors, the procedure, "Initial RMS Followed by Dual RMS" on page 4[-18](#page-55-0) is recommended.** 

To modify EGD, application logic and/or the redundancy transfer list using RMS and have the controllers simultaneously activate the changes, you must perform independent downloads to both controllers. The two controllers then negotiate when to activate the new items. The initial store can be done to either the primary or the secondary unit. Note that a dual RMS does not have to include transfer lists. It may include only EGD and/or logic.

<span id="page-55-0"></span>When you command an RMS to one of the units, you will be given the option of selecting synchronized activation of the redundant controllers.



If you select *Do synchronized activation of redundant controllers*, the first unit defers application of the newly stored application data until the following actions have occurred:

- 1. You disconnect from the first unit, connect to the other unit, and command an RMS to that unit.
- 2. The programmer performs the RMS to the second unit.
- 3. Both units validate that the new application data is compatible in the two units.

Because the PLC sweeps are synchronized, both units will activate the new logic and transfer lists on the same sweep.

If a power loss occurs on one of the units after activation of the new components begins, but before it completes, the unit maintaining power will complete the activation and continue as a non-synchronized active unit. When the other unit is powered back on (assuming a good battery) it will either have the newly stored application or the original application. If the units match, they can synchronize without a download. If the unit that lost power does not contain the new application data, a *Primary and secondary units are incompatible fault* (fault 9 in group 138) will be generated.

### *Initial RMS Followed by Dual RMS*

The following procedure is recommended to avoid the risk of both units failing due to logic errors in a dual RMS:

- 1. Perform an RMS of the new application data only to the backup controller prior to modifying the transfer list. (*Do synchronized activation of redundant controllers* is not selected.)
- 2. Perform a role switch to make the modified controller active.
- 3. Add any variables that require synchronization to the transfer list. (See "Adding Individual Variables to the Transfer Lists" on page 4-[14.](#page-51-0)
- 4. Initiate a dual RMS.
- 5. If necessary, perform a role switch so that the primary unit is the active unit.

The unit whose logic had already been stored in run mode will receive only the new transfer list. The other unit will receive the new transfer list and new logic/EGD.

# *RMS Operational Errors*

Certain operational errors can occur only when performing a dual RMS to two synchronized controllers and performing simultaneous activation of new application data. The table below outlines possible modes of failure and the system operation when the failure occurs.





### *Behavior of EGD in a Dual RMS*

Added exchanges will begin consumption/production shortly after the activation of logic that is part of the RMS. Deleted exchanges will cease consumption/production shortly before the activation of logic that is part of the RMS. Modified exchanges will be offline for a short time during the activation of new logic that is part of the RMS. For general information about the behavior of this feature in a simplex system, refer to "Run Mode Store of EGD" in *TCP/IP Ethernet Communications for PACSystems,* GFK-2224.

Unlike activation of the transfer list and logic, activation of EGD changes is not guaranteed to be simultaneous between the two units in a dual RMS. Even in cases where hardware configuration and logic are identical on the two units, it cannot be guaranteed that production/consumption of deleted or modified exchanges will stop on the same PLC sweep. Likewise, it cannot be guaranteed that production/consumption of added or modified exchanges will resume on the same PLC sweep. This is consistent with normal operation of EGD in a redundancy system.

### *Hardware Configuration and Logic Coupling*

If I/O Variables are used, an RMS must include both logic and hardware configuration.

If I/O Variables are not used, you can choose whether to RMS logic, hardware configuration, or both. If you choose hardware configuration or both, all portions of hardware configuration that can be stored in run mode will be included. If there are portions of hardware configuration that are not equal and cannot be stored in run mode, a warning will be generated.

# *5 Chapter*

# *Operation*

This chapter discusses aspects of PACSystems CPU operation that function differently in a redundancy system. For general details of CPU operation, refer to the *PACSystems CPU Reference Manual,* GFK-2222.

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# *Powerup of a Redundancy CPU*

When a redundant CPU is powered up, it performs a complete hardware diagnostic check and a complete check of the application program and configuration parameters. This causes the powerup time of a redundancy CPU to be longer than a non-redundancy CPU. If the primary and secondary units power up together, the primary becomes the active unit and the secondary unit becomes the backup unit.

When the secondary unit powers up, if it does not detect the primary unit, the secondary unit waits up to 30 seconds for the primary unit to power up. If the primary unit has not completed its powerup sequence within 30 seconds, the secondary unit assumes the primary unit is not present. In this case, if the secondary unit is configured to transition to Run on powerup, it becomes an active unit without a backup unit.

If the primary unit completes its powerup sequence before the secondary unit, the primary unit waits a few seconds for the secondary unit to complete its powerup sequence. If the primary unit is set up to transition to Run on powerup and does not detect the secondary unit within this time, it becomes an active unit without a backup.

**Note:** If the system should be fully redundant upon powerup, the secondary unit must complete power-up first but no more than 30 seconds before the primary unit. To be sure that this happens, apply power to the secondary unit first.

If either unit is powered up after the other unit is already in Run mode, communications between the two units are established. If the unit being powered up goes to Run mode, a resynchronization occurs.

### *Synchronization of the Time of Day Clocks*

At the point when the two units establish communications, the primary unit's time of day clock is copied to the secondary unit.

# *Synchronizing Redundant CPUs*

When synchronization is initiated, the CPUs exchange information about their configurations. If a transitioning CPU detects that the configurations are not in agreement, that CPU will not transition to RUN mode; if both CPUs are transitioning at the same time, neither CPU transitions to RUN mode.

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The following items must be in agreement in order to synchronize:

- 1. Both CPUs must be configured for the same redundancy control strategy.
- 2. Both CPUs must have identical transfer lists.
- 3. If %I, %Q, %AI, or %AQ references are included in the transfer list, the Point Fault References configuration parameter must be identical on both units.

During synchronization, the active unit sends a synchronization request to the backup unit and waits for a response from the backup unit. If the active unit does not receive a response from the backup unit within its configured Fail Wait time, it operates as a non-synchronized active unit (NSAU).

During synchronization, the backup unit waits for a synchronization request from the active unit. If the backup unit does not receive the request within its configured Fail Wait time, it transitions to NSAU operation. If the backup unit receives a synchronization request within the Fail Wait time, it waits to receive the synchronization data. If it receives the data within 60ms, synchronization completes. If it does not receive the data, the backup unit operates as a NSAU.

### *Dual Synchronization*

Dual Synchronization occurs when both CPUs transition to Run at the same time. The primary unit becomes the active unit and the secondary unit becomes the backup unit. Non-retentive data is cleared, and the #FST\_SCN reference and #FST\_EXE bits are set to 1.

### *Resynchronization*

Resynchronization occurs when one unit is already in Run mode and the other unit is put into Run mode. The unit already in RUN mode remains the active unit and the transitioning unit becomes the backup unit. The behavior is the same whether the unit going to RUN is the primary unit or the secondary unit.

At this point, the active unit sends the output transfer data and the input transfer data to the backup unit. In addition to the configured redundancy transfer data, the #FST\_SCN %S reference as well as internal timer information and #FST\_EXE for each common logic block are transferred from the active unit to the backup unit. Only the internal timers and #FST\_EXE data for program blocks with the same name are transferred. Therefore, the #FST\_SCN and #FST\_EXE bits for common blocks are not set on the first scan of the transitioning unit.

### *Operation when a Redundancy Link is Removed*

When one of the links in a system with dual redundancy links is lost, for example when the fiber optic cable is removed from one RMX module, and the CPUs remain synchronized with one link, the redundancy status LEDs (Local Ready, Local Active, Remote Ready, Remote Active) on the RMX modules associated with the failed link will continue to be updated.

# *%S References for CPU Redundancy*

%S33 through %S39 and %SB18 reflect the status of the redundancy units. The table below describes these %S references, and shows their expected states, assuming the primary unit is active and the secondary unit is backup.



%S references can be read from the application program, but cannot be altered or overridden. These references are always OFF when no configuration has been stored. Anytime a configuration is stored, the states of these %S references are updated in both STOP and RUN modes.

The four redundancy status LEDs on the RMX Module correspond to the %S35, %S36, %S37, and %S38 references. The programming software summarizes the state of the redundancy system on the Redundancy tab of the Show Status dialog box, accessed from Online commands. Additionally, external indicators can be used to monitor the state of any status reference.

If the two CPUs are in Run mode but lose synchronization (due to Fail Wait time set too short or failure of both redundancy links), both units log faults and proceed as NSAUs. In this case both units attempt to control the process independently; both units set their #LOC\_ACT status to 1, and clear the #REM\_RDY, #REM\_ACT, and #LOGICEQ status flags.

### *#OVR\_PRE %S Reference Not Available*

The #OVR\_PRE reference, %S00011, which indicates whether one or more overrides is active, *is not* supported by the Redundancy CPU and should not be used.

# *Scan Synchronization*



The figure below shows the sweep components for the active and the backup CPUs.

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There are two synchronization points in the sweep. The input transfer point occurs immediately after the inputs are scanned. At this point in the sweep, the newly read inputs are sent from the active unit to the backup unit. At the output transfer point, the rest of the data (outputs, internal references, registers) is sent from the active unit to the backup unit. These data transfers are automatic; they require no application program logic, but **do** require proper configuration.

Data can be transferred on either redundancy link. If one link fails, the transfer switches to the other link without causing a loss of synchronization.

# *Fail Wait Time*

The active and backup CPUs synchronize their execution twice each sweep: once before logic execution and once afterwards. Certain failures of one CPU, such as an infinite loop in the logic, are detected by the other CPU as a failure to reach the next synchronization point on time. The maximum time to wait for the other CPU is known as the *Fail Wait* time. The duration of this time must be specified during configuration of both the Primary and Secondary Units and can range from 60 ms to 400 ms (in increments of 10 ms), with the default being 60 ms.

The configured Fail Wait time for the system must be based on the maximum expected or allowable difference in the two CPUs reaching a synchronization point. For example, if one CPU might spend 20ms in the communications phase of the sweep and the other unit might spend 95ms in communications in the same sweep, the Fail Wait time must be set to at least 80ms (80 > 95 -20) to prevent loss of synchronization. In addition, Fail Wait Time must be greater than the sum of the Controller Communications Window, Backplane Communications Window and Background Window timer settings.

Differences in the logic execution time and other phases must also be considered when selecting a Fail Wait time. Some applications limit the possible difference during the communications window by using Constant Sweep mode or Constant Window mode, or by setting the system communications window to Limited and selecting a small window time.

If the Communications Window mode is set to Complete (run to completion), the controllers could lose synchronization, particularly during RMS using a rack-based Ethernet module.

# *Data Transfer*

The data is transferred in blocks. Each block is checked for data integrity. The backup CPU holds the transferred data in a temporary area until all the data has been received and verified. Then the backup CPU copies the data into the actual PLC memories. If the full transfer fails to complete properly, the backup unit becomes an NSAU and discards the data in the temporary area.

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## *Synchronization and Data Transfer Process*

### *Input Data and Synchronization Data Transfer to the Backup Unit*

Immediately after the input scan, the active unit sends the selected input data to the backup unit. This includes the selected ranges within %I, %Q, %AI, %AQ, %R, %M, %G and %W memories, as well as transferred variables. For discrete data, the status, override, and legacy-style transition information is transferred. If point faults are configured, point fault data is also sent.

### *Sweep Time Synchronization*

During the first transfer, the active unit automatically sends a synchronizing message to the backup unit. This message contains the Start of Sweep Time. The CPUs stay synchronized because the active unit waits for the backup CPU to respond to the synchronizing message before starting its logic execution.

The Start of Sweep Time message transfer repeatedly coordinates the elapsed time clocks (upon which timers are based) in the redundant CPUs. The system time is continuous as long as one of the two systems is running. When a switchover occurs, the same time continues to be kept in the new active unit.

### *Transition Contacts and Coils*

PACSystems supports two types of Transition contacts and coils:

- Legacy Transition contacts and coils: POSCON, NEGCON, POSCOIL, and NEGCOIL
- IEC Transition contacts and coils: PTCON, NTCON, PTCOIL, and NTCOIL

The essential difference between the two types of instruction is that each IEC transitional used in logic has its own associated instance data. The instance data gives the state (ON or OFF) of the BOOL variable associated with the contact or coil the last time it was executed. For additional information on Transition contacts and coils, refer to the *PACSystems CPU Reference Manual,* GFK-2222.

For any redundant transfer data item placed in a transfer list that is located in a discrete reference table or in the symbolic discrete reference region, the associated Override and legacy-style Transition data is transferred as part of that list. However, the instance data associated with IEC transitionals is *not* synchronized. For this reason, IEC transitionals should not be used in redundancy if the application requires that this data be synchronized. IEC transitionals must be used with symbolic data; no legacy-style transition data exists for symbolic data.

### *Output Data Transfer to the Backup Unit*

After the input data transfer, both units operate independently until the end of the program logic solution. Before the output scan starts, a second automatic data transfer occurs. At this time, the active unit transfers the output transfer data to the backup unit. This includes the selected ranges within %I, %Q, %AI, %AQ, %R, %M, %G and %W memories, as well as transferred variables. For discrete data, the status, override, and legacy transition information is transferred. If point faults are configured, point fault data is also sent.

After the output data transfer, the active and the backup units independently perform their output scans and run their communications and background windows. They continue to operate independently until they synchronize again after the next input scan.

### *Estimating Data Transfer Time*

When a system is synchronized, there are additions to the sweep time (compared to a similar non-redundant CPU model) for transferring data from one unit to the other. The data transfer time includes the time for the active unit to read the data from the appropriate reference memory type as specified in the configured redundancy transfer list, move it from the CPU memory across the backplane, with appropriate data integrity information, into the RMX onboard memory. The data is then transferred from the RMX module in the active unit to the backup unit's RMX module via a high-speed fiber optic link. On the backup unit, the data is moved from the RMX on-board memory over the backplane into the CPU memory. A data integrity check is performed, and assuming the integrity checks pass, the transfer data is written to the appropriate reference memory in the backup unit.

These additions to the sweep time can be estimated using the data and equations given in this section.



**1. Calculate the total number of bytes configured as memory ranges in the CPU configuration's Transfer List.** 

### **2. Use the following formulas to estimate the data transfer time for memory ranges.**

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#### *RX3i Formulas*



#### *RX7i Formulas*



Analysis of the linear curve resulting from the measurement of various data points yielded a break point around 28K, resulting in the two linear equations stated above. Using the proper equation for the amount of transfer data will yield a minimum amount of error when doing the calculation. The actual data transfer time may vary slightly from the estimated time; most systems will see slightly better performance than the estimated value. In addition, the estimated data transfer time is based on a redundant system with two redundancy links in a steady state non-error condition without CPU serial communications activity, Genius bus faults or other high backplane interrupt activity.

#### **3. Calculate the total number of bytes and number of symbolic variables in the transfer list.**

This information is obtained from the variable transfer list report. For details, see "Using the Variable Transfer List Report" in chapter 4.



**4. Use one of the following formulas to estimate the total transfer time for symbolic variables.** 



For a negative result, use a value of 0.

#### **5. Add the following quantities:**

#### *RX3i Formula*





### *Tips for Reducing Transfer Time*

Transferred BOOL variables and non-byte aligned BOOL arrays will increase transfer time. For these, you can create an array of BOOLs and transfer the entire array for efficiency. You can alias individual array elements to make logic more readable.

Data structures that contain non-contiguous members of different data types can be created. You can also create arrays of these structures. This feature allows you to put individual members of a data structure or the entire structure on one or both of the transfer lists. Placing arrays of structures in the transfer list has the potential to significantly increase the number of entries in the transfer list, which will impact user space charged and transfer time.

### *Programming a Data Transfer from Backup Unit to Active Unit (SVC\_REQs 27 and 28)*

The program logic can be used to transfer eight bytes (four registers) of data from the backup unit to the active unit before the next logic solution.

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To initiate this transfer, the backup unit executes SVC\_REQ 27 (Write to Reverse Transfer Area). This command copies eight bytes of data from the reference in the backup unit specified by the PARM parameter. Note that SVC\_REQ 27 only works when its CPU is the backup unit. When its CPU is the active unit, SVC\_REQ 27 has no effect.

The active unit stores the transferred data in a temporary buffer. The program in the active unit must execute SVC\_REQ 28 (Read from Reverse Transfer Area), which copies the eight bytes of data from the temporary buffer to the reference specified by the PARM parameter. SVC REQ 28 only works in the active unit. It has no effect when its CPU is the backup unit.

There is always a one-sweep delay between sending data from the backup unit using SVC\_REQ 27 and reading the data at the active unit using SVC\_REQ 28.

This data copied from the buffer is not valid in the following cases:

- During the first scan after either unit has transitioned to RUN;
- While the backup unit is in STOP mode;
- If the backup unit does not issue SVC\_REQ 27.

The data should not be used if #REM\_RDY is off or if #REM\_RDY is transitioning to on.

#### *Reverse Data Transfer Example*

The following rungs would be placed in the program logic of both units. In this example, the backup unit would send %P0001 through %P0004 to the active unit. The active unit would read the data into %P0005 through %P0008. %P0001 through %P0004 on the active unit and %P0005 through %P0008 on the backup unit would not change. %T0002 would be set to indicate that the operation was successful and that the data could be used.



## *Disabling Data Transfer Copy in Backup Unit (SVC\_REQ 43)*

To instruct the backup unit to bypass the copy of the transfer data from the active unit, use SVC\_REQ 43. This operation can be used to determine if the active and backup units are arriving at the same results.

This function is valid only when issued in the backup CPU. It is ignored if issued when the units are not synchronized, or if it is issued in the active unit.

SVC\_REQ 43 disables the copy of data for one sweep, beginning with the output data transfer and ending with the input data transfer of the next sweep. The copy can be disabled for multiple sweeps by invoking SVC\_REQ 43 once each sweep for the appropriate number of sweeps.

The resynchronization data transfer always occurs, even if SVC\_REQ 43 is invoked in the first sweep after synchronization (this data transfer includes all inputs, outputs, and internal data that must be exchanged) since the resynchronization data transfer occurs before the start of logic execution.

This service request can be set up to disable the copies for all transfers or just the output transfers. If just the output copy is disabled, the two units can still use the same set of inputs on each unit. This makes it possible to test the ability of the two units to derive the same results from the same inputs.

In all cases, the data is still transferred over the redundancy link every sweep and the synchronization points are still met. The effect of SVC\_REQ 43 is to disable the copy of the data from the transfer to the actual reference memories on the backup unit.

**Warning** 

**When SVC\_REQ 43 is in effect, the backup unit still takes control of the system in event of a failure or role switch. Switches to the backup unit may cause a momentary interruption of data on the outputs because the two units may not be generating the exact same results.** 

While SVC REQ 43 is in effect, you should consider disabling outputs on the backup unit. Disabling outputs on the backup unit eliminates the risk of an unsynchronized switch of control (which can cause a momentary interruption of data in the outputs) if the active unit fails or loses power while the input/output copies are disabled. If the active unit fails or loses power while outputs are disabled on the backup unit, the system's outputs will go to their default settings. A secondary effect of disabling outputs on the backup unit is that the nonsynchronized fault action table is used by the active unit to determine which faults are fatal.

**Note:** If the CPU is already in RUN/ENABLED mode, a command to disable its outputs will not take effect until one sweep after the command is received. Therefore, disable the outputs at least one sweep before you enable SVC\_REQ 43.

SVC REQ 43 cannot be used to disable output data transfer on the primary unit when outputs are enabled on the primary unit. If that is attempted, the SVC\_REQ 43 is rejected.

The first time SVC\_REQ 43 is used, a fault is logged as a warning that the PLCs are not completely synchronized.

The reverse data transfer, if any, is unaffected by SVC\_REQ 43.

Enabling logic should be used with SVC\_REQ 43. A contact with a non-transferred reference should be part of this enabling logic. That will allow the service request to be turned on/off directly without being overwritten by the value from the active unit.

If the service request is invoked multiple times in a single sweep, the last call is the one that determines the action taken.

Successful execution occurs unless:

- The values in the command block are out of range.
- **The service request is invoked when the two units in a redundant system are not** synchronized.
- The service request is issued on the active unit.
- **The service request is issued on the primary unit while the primary unit's outputs are** enabled.

If the service request is unsuccessful, it will not pass power flow to the right.

### *Command Block for SVC\_REQ #43*

The command block for SVC\_REQ #43 has two words:

 $Address < 0$ Address  $+1 \mid 1 =$  Disable input and output copies 2 = Disable output copy only

### *Example*

In the following example, when %T00035 is on, the input and output copies are disabled.



# *Validating the Backup Unit (SVC\_REQ 43)*

SVC REQ 43 can be used to determine if the backup unit is collecting inputs properly (that is, validate the input scan). It can also be used to determine whether the backup unit is calculating outputs and internal variables properly (that is, validate the logic solution).

### *Validating the Backup Unit's Input Scan*

To determine whether the backup PLC is collecting inputs properly, follow these steps:

- 1. Activate SVC REQ 43 on the backup CPU, passing the values 0 and 1 to disable the input and output data transfer copies.
- 2. Monitor the backup unit's input references and input variables. The values presented correspond to the inputs that the backup is currently collecting.
- 3. Visually compare the backup unit's input references and input variables with those presented by the active unit. Pay special attention to the references and variables that are included in the input transfer.
- 4. When you are satisfied that the backup unit is collecting inputs properly, disable the rung that calls SVC\_REQ 43.

### *Validating the Backup Unit's Logic Solution*

To determine whether the backup unit is calculating outputs and internal variables properly, follow these steps:

- 1. Activate SVC\_REQ 43 on the backup CPU, passing the values 0 and 2 to disable the output data transfer copy.
- 2. Monitor the backup unit's output references, output variables, and internal variables. The values presented correspond to the values that the backup is currently calculating.
- 3. Visually compare the backup unit's output references, output variables, and internal variables with those presented by the active unit. Pay special attention to the references and variables that are included in the output transfer.
- 4. When you are satisfied that the backup unit is calculating outputs and internal variables properly, disable the rung that calls SVC\_REQ 43.
## *Switching Control to the Backup Unit*

Control switches from the active unit to the backup unit if:

- 1. The active unit detects a fatal fault.
- 2. The active unit is placed in Stop mode.
- 3. The active unit fails or is powered off.
- 4. The toggle switch on an RMX module is activated.\*
- 5. A switch is commanded from the application program.\*

\*These two types of requests are not honored if they occur within 10 seconds of the previous request.

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#### *Switching Times and Impact to Sweep Time*

The amount of time needed to switch control from the active unit to the backup unit depends on the reason for the switch.

There are two ways that the backup unit detects that the active unit has failed or lost power.

- A. Failure of all remaining redundancy links. This type of failure has negligible impact on the controller sweep time.
- B. Failure of the active unit to rendezvous at a synchronization point within the Fail Wait time. An example of this type of failure is the CPU not responding because the user logic is in an endless loop. If the redundancy links are still operational, the increase to the sweep time will equal the Fail Wait Time.

For these two cases the switchover occurs immediately.

For all other cases, the switchover occurs just before the next input data transfer. The maximum delay is 1 sweep. There may be an input and an output scan between detection of the fatal fault and the switch.

### *Commanding a Role Switch from the Application Program (SVC\_REQ 26)*

The application program can use SVC\_REQ 26 to command a role switch between the redundant CPUs (active to backup *and* backup to active). As long as the units remain synchronized, the switch occurs just before the input data transfer of the next sweep.

When SVC REQ 26 receives power flow to its enable input, the PLC is requested to perform a role switch. Power flow from SVC\_REQ 26 indicates that a role switch will be attempted on the next sweep. Power flow *does not* indicate that a role switch has occurred or that a role switch will definitely occur on the next sweep. The role switch request is not valid if it occurs within 10 seconds of a previous request. The 10-second limitation guarantees that only a single switch occurs if both units make a request at approximately the same time. SVC\_REQ 26 ignores the PARM parameter; however the programming software requires that an entry be made for PARM. You can enter any appropriate reference here; it will not be used.

#### *Example*

In this example, a pushbutton switch on a control console is wired to input %I0002. In the program logic, the reference for %I0002 is used as the input to the SVC\_REQ 26 function block. When the button is pressed, logic power flows to SVC\_REQ 26, causing a role switch to be requested. The PRM reference is not used and can have any value.



### *Implementing Preferred Master Using SVC\_REQ 26*

The HSB control strategy implements a floating master algorithm. This means that when one unit is put into Run mode while the other unit is already in Run mode, the transitioning unit always becomes the backup unit.

If an application requires a preferred master algorithm where the primary unit always becomes the active unit when placed in Run mode, the logic can use the Role Switch service request, SVC\_REQ 26, as shown in the sample LD rung below. This logic must be included in the primary unit and may also be included in the secondary unit.



## <span id="page-74-0"></span>*STOP to RUN Mode Transition*

A resynchronization will occur at all *STOP* to *RUN* mode transitions. The time to perform this resynchronization may be larger than STOP to RUN transitions on non-redundancy CPUs. The STOP to RUN mode transition has two separate paths.

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- 1. If the unit performing the transition is doing so alone or both units are transitioning to Run at the same time, a normal STOP to RUN mode transition is performed (clear nonretentive memory and initialize #FST\_SCN and #FST\_EXE).
- 2. If the other unit is active when this unit performs a STOP to RUN mode transition, nonretentive references will be cleared followed by a resynchronization with the active unit.

## *RUN Disabled Mode*

RUN/DISABLED mode causes all physical outputs to go to their default state in that PLC. Inputs are still scanned and logic is solved. A CPU in RUN/DISABLED mode *may be* the active unit.

The following guidelines apply to using RUN/DISABLED mode with the HSB control strategy.

- 1. If a unit is in RUN/DISABLED mode, its #LOC\_RDY %S reference and the other unit's REM\_RDY %S reference are not set and the corresponding LEDs on the RMX modules are OFF. This indicates that the unit (with #LOC\_RDY reference off) is not available to drive outputs.
- 2. If a unit is in RUN/ENABLED mode and the other unit is in RUN/DISABLED mode, the unit in RUN/ENABLED mode does not use its synchronized fault action table. Instead, it uses the user-configurable fault actions since there is no backup available to drive outputs.
- 3. When outputs used for Remote IO are specified in the output transfer list, outputs are transferred from the active unit to the backup unit and if outputs are enabled on either Redundancy CPU, the Remote IO devices will receive the output values calculated by the active unit. (There is one exception to this. It is described by item [#4.](#page-74-0))

**Note:** When a Genius output is connected to both Redundancy CPUs, that output should always be included in the output transfer list.

- 4. If *Outputs from Active Unit Only* is enabled in an ENIU, placing the active controller in RUN/DISABLED mode will result in that ENIU's outputs being held in their last state.
- **Note:** If the backup unit is in RUN/DISABLED mode, the backup unit continues NOT to drive outputs upon failure of the active unit and *therefore is not a complete backup.*

## *Error Checking and Correction*

Error checking and correction (ECC) allows the CPU firmware to detect errors in memory and correct some of them on the fly. This added layer of checking differs from parity checking in that it can correct a single-bit error. If the ECC error is a single-bit corrected error, the CPU generates a diagnostic fault and sets %SA0006 so that you can know of a possible impending problem and take corrective action. If the ECC error is a multi-bit error, which cannot be corrected, the CPU logs a fatal fault and goes to Stop-Halt mode.

The Error Checking and Correction function of the memory controller is enabled on the redundancy CPU regardless of the Background Window Timer setting. This provides parity-like checking on the contents of every RAM location: the ECC bits are set on every non-cached memory write and checked on every non-cached memory read. If you are comfortable with the level of integrity checking that the ECC function provides, you may chose to disable the additional background RAM tests entirely by setting the Background Window Timer value to 0.

## *Timer and PID Functions*

Timer and PID function blocks remain in lock step between two synchronized units provided:

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- A. Enabling logic for each function is identical on both units. This includes power flow, how often the block is called, and so forth.
- B. The block in which the function occurs has the same name in both units. Note that \_MAIN is always common.
- C. Reference registers (3 for timers, 40 for PID), enabling references, and reset references for each timer and PID function block are included in the data transfer lists.

For example, if the following ladder logic appears in the \_MAIN block on both units, %M100, %R250, %R251, and %R252 must all be included in the output data transfer list to keep this timer synchronized between the two units:



### *Timed Contacts*

When both systems are synchronized, timed contacts (%S3, %S4, %S5, %S6) have exactly the same value in both units. For example, whenever T\_SEC is on in one unit, it also is on in the other unit as long as both units are synchronized.

## *Multiple I/O Scan Sets*

The Redundancy CPU supports the configuration of multiple scan sets. However, it is strongly recommended that the redundant I/O be configured in the default scan set (Scan set 1), which is scanned every sweep. The I/O scan set feature allows the scanning of I/O points to be more closely scheduled with its use in user logic programs.

If an I/O Scan set is not scanned every sweep, it is not guaranteed to be scanned in the same sweep in the Primary and Secondary CPUs. For example, if the Primary and Secondary CPUs each have a scan set that is scanned every other sweep (that is, PERIOD=2), the Primary CPU might scan its scan set in one sweep and the Secondary CPU scan its scan set in the next.

Use of non-default scan sets can cause variance in the time the units get to the rendezvous points. This should be considered when determining the Fail Wait time.

## *Genius Bus Controller Switching*

In the HSB control strategy, Genius outputs are always enabled for both units (unless explicitly disabled) so that bumpless switching is possible regardless of which unit is currently the active unit. Because of the way Genius Hot Standby operates, all redundant Genius outputs must be included in the output transfer lists.

Genius Bus Controllers stop sending outputs to Genius devices when no output data has been received from the PLC CPU for a period equal to two times the configured watchdog timeout.

If the CPU in the primary unit becomes inoperative in an uncontrolled fashion (for example, because of a power failure), the Genius Bus Controllers detect this within twice the watchdog setting, and stop sending outputs to the Genius devices. After three Genius I/O bus scans of not receiving data from the Genius Bus Controllers at Serial Bus Address 31, the Genius devices start driving data from Serial Bus Address 30 (the secondary unit) if available.

For example, if the system has a 200ms watchdog timeout and 5ms Genius bus scan time, and the primary unit main rack loses power, the Genius Bus Controllers in expansion racks will wait 400ms and then stop updating outputs on Genius devices. After 15ms, the devices will begin driving outputs based on data from the secondary unit. Note that any Genius Bus Controllers in the main rack would stop driving outputs immediately since they would also lose power. Genius devices on these buses would begin driving data from the secondary unit within 15ms.

**Note:** For fastest switching, all Genius Bus Controllers in the Hot Standby CPU Redundancy system should be installed in the main rack. This causes the Genius Bus Controllers to lose power at the same time that the CPU loses power. This, in turn, allows the secondary unit to gain full control of the I/O as soon as possible.

For single bus Genius networks, if outputs are not available on Serial Bus Address 30 or 31, the devices' outputs revert to default or hold last state (as configured).

For dual bus networks, if outputs are not available on Serial Bus Address 30 or 31, the BSM will switch to the other bus. If outputs are not available on either bus, then the block's outputs revert to default or hold last state (as configured).

## *Redundant IP Addresses*

Each unit contains at least one Ethernet interface that is assigned a direct IP address, which is used to directly access the specific PLC. A third, redundant, IP address can be assigned to the pair of Ethernet interfaces in the primary and secondary PLC units. All data sent to the redundant IP address (including EGD produced to the redundant IP address) is handled by the active PLC. When active, the Ethernet interface always initiates communications using the redundant IP address. When the PLC is in the backup state, all communications are initiated through the direct IP address.

Each Ethernet interface in the system can be set up as part of a pair that shares a redundant IP address. Each unit can also include Ethernet interfaces that are not part of a redundant IP pair.

Immediately after configuration, neither Ethernet interface responds to the redundant IP address. When notified by the CPU that the unit has become active, the Ethernet interface determines whether the redundant IP address is in use on the network. If the address is not in use on the network, the Ethernet interface activates the redundant IP address and sends out an address resolution protocol (ARP) message to force all other Ethernet devices on the network to update their ARP cache. This ARP message is sent so that communications to the redundant IP address will be directed to the newly active unit. At this point the Ethernet interface responds to both the redundant IP address and its direct IP address. When commanded to begin EGD production by the CPU, the Ethernet interface in the active unit verifies that it has successfully obtained the redundant IP address. EGD production does not begin until the Ethernet interface obtains the redundant IP address.

If the redundant IP address is in use by another device on the Ethernet network, the Ethernet interface periodically attempts to verify that the address is not in use. The Ethernet interface attempts to verify the redundant IP address until it determines the redundant IP address is no longer in use on the network or until the Ethernet interface transitions to backup due to either a notification from the CPU that the unit has become the backup unit or a failure that results in the Ethernet interface transitioning to backup. This means that if all redundancy links between the two units fail and the units become non-synchronized active, both units will attempt to use the redundant IP address, but only one will succeed. If one of the two units was already active and responding to the redundant IP address, it will continue to do so; the unit that was backup will not be able to activate the redundant IP address.

### **CAUTION**

**When using the redundant IP feature, the application should take steps to ensure that the CPU that owns the redundant IP address is the same CPU that maintains control of the outputs. This becomes an issue when both CPUs are operating as NSAUs (known as** *split control***), since both units attempt to control the process independently.** 

**Running both CPUs as NSAUs is not recommended and should be fixed as soon as possible. Refer to "On-Line Repair Recommendations" in chapter 6.**

The Ethernet interface monitors the status of the CPU. If the Ethernet interface determines that it can no longer communicate with the CPU, it deactivates the redundant IP address. The Ethernet interface also deactivates the redundant IP address when notified by CPU that the active unit has transitioned to backup. When the Ethernet interface deactivates the redundant IP address, it transitions to the backup state. In the backup state, the Ethernet interface no longer responds to the redundant IP address, but forwards any packets received by the interface destined for the redundant IP to the Ethernet interface in the active PLC. If the backup unit continues to receive packets destined for the redundant IP address, it will send additional ARP messages on behalf of the active unit and after a number of time periods, it will log an exception that will be recorded in the PLC CPU fault table as a LAN System Software Fault.

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Additional details on the operation of the Ethernet Interface can be found in *TCP/IP Ethernet Communications for PACSystems,* GFK-2224.

## *Ethernet Global Data in an HSB Redundancy System*

Note that two redundant units are not guaranteed to consume a given exchange on the same PLC sweep when using redundant IP. When using Produce In Backup mode, the backup unit is not guaranteed to produce data on the direct IP at exactly the same time the active unit produces data on the redundant IP for a given exchange.

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### *Ethernet Global Data Production*

By default, only the active unit produces EGD exchanges. This reduces the amount of traffic on the Ethernet network and simplifies the handling of the exchanges by the consumer. In particular, the consumer is able to consume exchanges from the redundant system in the same way it consumes exchanges from non-redundant systems.

Individual exchanges can be configured for "produce in backup mode." The backup unit produces these exchanges through the Ethernet module's direct IP address.

If the PLC is set to Stop-IO Disabled mode, outputs are disabled on the active unit, and neither unit produces EGD.

In an Ethernet Interface pair with Redundant IP enabled, a newly active Ethernet interface arbitrates for the redundant IP address and delays EGD production accordingly. If both redundant units become non-synchronized active units (this can occur if no redundancy links are functioning), for each redundant pair, the Ethernet Interface that owns the redundant IP address will produce exchanges through the Redundant IP address.

If Redundant IP is not enabled, the Ethernet Interfaces in both units produce exchanges through their direct IP addresses.

The Producer ID as well as all production exchanges should be identical for both units. This allows the consumer to continue consuming exchanges from the redundant system when the backup unit becomes active.

#### *Configuring Exchanges to be Produced in Backup Mode*

In Machine Edition, to configure a production exchange to be produced in backup mode, go to the Project view, expand the Ethernet Global Data folder, select the exchange and set its Produce in Backup Mode property to True.

To change the offset from the default value of 1000, select the Ethernet Global Data folder and set the Secondary Produced Exchange Offset property to the desired value.

For exchanges that are produced in backup mode, an offset must be added to the Exchange ID. This ensures that the Exchange ID is unique for those exchanges that are produced simultaneously by the active and backup controllers.

For an HSB system using dual HWC, one set of EGD configuration data is used to create EGD configuration files for both the primary and secondary controllers. When Machine Edition creates the EGD exchange files for download to the secondary controller, it adds the secondary offset to the Exchange ID for each exchange configured to produce in backup.

**Note:** For non dual HWC systems, it is the user's responsibility to ensure that the same offset value is specified in both the primary and secondary target projects.



*Exchange ID Offset in Dual HWC HSB System* 

### *Ethernet Global Data Consumption*

Both the active and backup units consume EGD exchanges in RUN mode, regardless of whether or not the units are synchronized.

It is recommended that all consumption exchanges be configured identically for both units. In addition, these exchanges must be configured as multicast or directed to the Redundant IP address.

The consumption of multicast exchanges occurs independently on the two units. The Ethernet modules obtain a copy of multicast exchanges at the same time, but reading of that exchange in the two CPUs may be phased by one sweep. This can result in the two units seeing different values for the same exchange in a given sweep. Only the active unit consumes exchanges directed to the Redundant IP address.

If data from the exchanges must be seen identically on the two units, the reference data for the exchanges can be transferred from the active unit to the backup unit during the input data transfer. That transfer occurs shortly after the EGD consumption portion of the CPU sweep. Exchange variables transferred must be placed into %I or %AI memory to participate in the input data transfer.

# *Fault Detection*

This chapter describes how faults are handled in a Redundancy system.

- Fault Detection
- PLC Fault Table Messages for Redundancy
- Fault Response
- Redundancy Link Failures
- Fault Actions in a CPU Redundancy System
- Online Repair

### *Fault Detection*

The detection of faults and failures falls into three basic categories:

- 1. Faults and failures that are detected immediately
- 2. Faults and failures that are detected as soon as possible, but not necessarily within the current sweep
- 3. Faults and failures that are detected in the background

Faults and failures that are detected immediately are those that are identified within the current sweep. These faults include I/O data corruption, single and multiple bit memory failures, power supply failures, processor failures, and VME transfer failures.

Faults and failures that are detected as soon as possible, but not necessarily within the current sweep, include a group of faults that are not detected by the CPU itself. These faults are typically detected within one second. Genius faults (circuit faults, loss of device, and so forth) fall into this category.

During the background window, additional memory tests are continuously performed. These tests can also detect single and multiple bit memory failures.

# *PLC Fault Table Messages for Redundancy*

The following table lists messages, descriptions, and corrective actions for error codes associated with the redundancy fault group. These error codes can be viewed in the Fault Tables provided by Machine Edition. The entire fault data (including these error codes) can also be accessed using SVC\_REQ 15 and 20.







## *Other Fault Groups*





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### *Fault Response*

The Hot Standby CPU Redundancy system detects and reports failures of all critical components so that appropriate control actions may be taken. All components that acquire or distribute I/O data or that are involved in execution of the control logic solution are considered critical components.

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A FATAL fault in the active unit causes a switch of control to the backup unit. A DIAGNOSTIC fault allows the currently active system to continue operating as the active system.

Faults within the unit may be such that:

- 1. The CPU has a controlled shutdown,
- 2. The CPU has an uncontrolled shutdown, or
- 3. The CPU continues to operate.

If the CPU detects an internal fault and has a controlled shutdown, it logs a fault, goes to Stop/Fault mode, and notifies the other CPU. If the fault was detected on the active unit, the switchover does not normally occur until the next sweep. The exception is when the active unit detects a fatal fault during the input scan. In that case, the two units switch roles just before performing the input data transfer.

If the CPU has an uncontrolled shutdown, the CPU logs a fault if it can and proceeds as described above. When the backup CPU detects that the active CPU has failed (either by receiving notification, by detecting that both redundancy links have failed, or by detecting failure of the active CPU to rendezvous at the next synchronization point within the Fail Wait time) it becomes an unsynchronized active unit.

If the two CPUs lose synchronization for other reasons (due to Fail Wait time set too short or failure of both redundancy links), both units log faults and proceed as non-synchronized active units. In this case both units attempt to control the process independently. The redundant Genius outputs will prefer the output values sent by the primary unit.



**When using the redundant IP feature, the application should take steps to ensure that the CPU that owns the redundant IP address is the same CPU that maintains control of the outputs. This becomes an issue when both CPUs are operating as non-synchronized active units (NSAU), since both units attempt to control the process independently.** 

**Running both CPUs as NSAUs is not recommended and should be fixed as soon as possible. Refer to "On-Line Repair Recommendations" on page 6[-10](#page-91-0).** 

## *Redundancy Link Failures*

There are distinct differences between losing a redundancy link and faulting an RMX module.

### *Redundancy Memory Xchange Module Hardware Failure*

Failures such as VME bus errors are considered hardware failures of the RMX module. The following actions are taken when such an error is detected:

- Either a Loss of or Missing Option Module or a Redundant Link Hard Failure Occurred fault is logged in the PLC Fault Table
- A Redundant Link Communications Failure fault is logged in both units.
- All LEDs on the RMX module are turned OFF.
- The fault locating references that correspond to the module are set (i.e. the SLOT\_00XX fault contact is set, where XX is the slot number for the RMX module).
- The corresponding redundancy link is no longer used. If the other link is still operating, that link is used for all further data transfer, and the units can remain in synchronization. If the other redundancy link is not available and either unit is in Run mode, that unit operates as a non-synchronized active unit.

Power must by cycled on the rack to restore a faulted RMX module to service.

#### *Redundancy Link Communications Failures*

The following errors are reported as failures of the redundancy link:

- The other unit has lost power or failed such that it can no longer communicate.
- One or both cables between the two RMX modules have failed or are disconnected.
- A network error was detected on the fiber optic link that connects the two RMX modules. (This includes data checks on mismatches, protocol errors, and rogue packets.)
- Failure of the other CPU to rendezvous at the next synchronization point within the Fail Wait time.

The following actions are taken when a redundancy link communications failure occurs:

- 1. Either a Redundant Link Communications Failure or Fail Wait Time Exceeded fault is logged in the PLC Fault Table of both units.
- 2. The LINK OK LEDs on both RMX modules are turned off.
- 3. The fault locating references that correspond to the module are set (i.e. the SLOT\_00XX fault contact is set, where XX is the slot number for the RMX module).
- 4. The corresponding redundancy link is no longer used. If the other link is still operating, that link is used for all further data transfer, and the units can remain in synchronization. If the other redundancy link is not available and either unit is in Run mode, that unit operates as a non-synchronized active unit.

If the RMX modules' OK LEDs are still ON, the link can be restored to service by power cycling either unit or storing a hardware configuration to either unit. If either OK LED is OFF, power must be cycled on the rack to restore that RMX module to service.

## *Fault Actions in a CPU Redundancy System*

Fault actions in the Hot Standby CPU Redundancy System are handled differently than fault actions in a non-redundant system. Whenever the units are synchronized, the types of faults that are considered to be FATAL (i.e., cause the CPU to stop) are not configurable. The following types of faults are considered FATAL when the units are synchronized:

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- Any fault that causes loss of control of I/O
- Any fault that degrades performance
- **Note:** In a CPU redundancy system a *Fatal* fault from a Genius Bus Controller causes a synchronized unit to transition to *STOP/FAULT* mode. All *Diagnostic* faults allow the CPU to remain in Run mode.

### *Configuration of Fault Actions*

You can configure whether certain faults are considered fatal when the CPUs are not synchronized.

The following should be considered when configuring the fault actions for a redundancy CPU. For a given fault that is fatal for the synchronized case, if you set the non-synchronized fault action to be diagnostic, there is a chance that a less healthy unit could remain the active unit even after a more healthy backup unit is placed in Run mode. For example, if you were to configure "Loss of or Missing Rack" failures as diagnostic, the following sequence of events could occur:

- 1. If an expansion rack fails when the units are synchronized, the unit with the rack failure will transition to STOP/FAULT mode and the other unit will become a non-synchronized active unit.
- 2. If an expansion rack fails in the non-synchronized active unit, a diagnostic fault will be logged but the unit will stay in RUN mode and continue to control the process.
- 3. If the first unit is repaired and then transitions to Run, the second unit with the failed expansion rack will stay in RUN mode and will remain in control of the process.

To prevent this situation, you may want to include logic to shut down the less healthy unit or request a role switch.

Also, a unit with the fault actions set to diagnostic may be placed in RUN mode and become the active unit even though it may have a diagnostic fault, which would be logged as fatal in a synchronized system.

For example, if an expansion rack fails while in STOP mode or while transitioning to RUN mode, a diagnostic fault is logged. However, the unit will still transition to RUN. In addition, if you have programmed a Preferred Master algorithm, this unit will become the active unit. To prevent this situation, you may want to include logic to shut down the less healthy unit or modify the role switch logic.

### *Configurable Fault Groups*

The table below shows the configurable faults and their fault actions. There are three fault actions: *Fatal, Diagnostic, and Conditionally Fatal*. Fatal always stops the PLC, Diagnostic never stops the PLC, and Conditionally Fatal stops the PLC depending on other information in the fault.



\* Even if the non-synchronized fault action for the LOSS\_IOC fault group is configured as Fatal, the PLC will not go to STOP/FAULT mode unless *both* Genius Bus Controllers of a dual bus pair fail.

\*\* Conditionally Fatal: When the units are synchronized, the two fault groups IOC\_FAULT and IOC\_SOFTWR faults are fatal if the Genius Bus Controller reports the fault as Fatal. When a GBC logs one of these faults, it notifies the PLC whether or not it can continue by placing Fatal or Diagnostic in the fault action of the fault entry.

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### *Non-Configurable Fault Groups*

The table below shows the non-configurable faults and their fault actions. There are two fault actions: *Fatal and Diagnostic*. Fatal faults always stop the PLC; Diagnostic faults never stop the PLC.

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### *Fatal Faults on Both Units in the Same Sweep*

It is very unlikely that a fatal fault would occur on both units in the same sweep. If that should happen, however, the first CPU to detect a fatal fault will use the synchronized fault action table. The other CPU will use the non-synchronized fault action table. This allows one of the units to stay in Run mode when the synchronized fault action is Fatal and the nonsynchronized fault action is diagnostic.

## <span id="page-91-0"></span>*Online Repair and System Upgrade*

With a Hot Standby CPU Redundancy system, most system component failures can be repaired by replacing the failed component while the system is online. You may choose to replace components for other reasons, such as upgrading to a new model of a module. CPUs in both units must have the same model types and firmware version.

### *On-Line Repair Recommendations*

**Note:** If the LOCAL ACTIVE LEDs are ON and the REMOTE ACTIVE LEDs are OFF on both units, the system is operating under *split control,* that is, with both units operating as NSAUs. Do not use this procedure if this condition exists, since neither unit has the backup role. Additionally, in a system that uses ENIU I/O, there is no guarantee that all ENIUs are taking outputs from the same controller. See "Repair of a Split Control System" on page 6-[12.](#page-93-0)

To replace a component online, it is strongly recommended that you follow this procedure:

- 1. Make sure the unit to be repaired is the backup unit. (The LOCAL ACTIVE LED should be OFF and the REMOTE ACTIVE LED should be ON. You can also confirm this by viewing the Redundancy tab of the programmer's online status dialog box.) If the unit to be repaired is already in Stop mode, skip this step. If the unit to be repaired is active, activate the Role Switch on the RMX module.
- 2. Power-off the unit to be repaired.
- 3. Replace the defective component.
- 4. On the CPU of the repaired unit, place the Run/Stop switch in the Stop position.
- 5. Power on the repaired unit.
- 6. After several seconds, verify that the LINK OK LEDs are ON for all RMX modules in both units. If the LINK OK LEDs are not on, see the PLC Fault Table.
- 7. If the repaired CPU is in Stop/Fault mode, verify that there are no unexpected faults and then clear the Fault Tables.
- 8. Place the repaired unit into RUN mode by putting the Run/Stop switch in the Run position.

### *Hot Swapping of Modules (RX3i Systems Only)*

RX3i redundancy systems support hot swapping of modules to the same extent allowed in non-redundant systems. Modules that support hot swapping can be removed and replaced in the RX3i main rack and in ENIU remote racks while the rack is powered up.

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#### *Hot Swapping RMX 128 Modules*

The RX3i RMX128 module supports hot insertion and removal. However, the redundancy communication link associated with a hot swapped RMX module will not be restored automatically. The LINK OK indicator on both RMX modules in the link will be OFF.

To restore the link while the system is in operation, first determine which unit is the backup unit, and if possible, cycle power or store hardware configuration to that unit.

If either RMX module's OK indicator is OFF, power must be cycled on the rack to restore the RMX module to service.

### *System CPU Upgrade*

If you are upgrading your redundancy system with new CPU models, you will need to replace the CPUs in both units. To replace the CPUs in your redundancy system, follow the steps in "On-Line Repair Recommendations." When you have replaced the CPU in the backup unit and returned it to RUN mode, activate the Role Switch on the RMX module and repeat steps 1—8 for the other unit.



**During normal operation, the primary and secondary units in an HSB redundancy system must have the same CPU model type. Extended operation with dissimilar CPU types is not allowed. Continued use of dissimilar CPU types may result in timing issues during synchronization.** 

The primary and secondary units with dissimilar CPU model types can be synchronized for a limited time, for the purpose of system upgrade only. Fail wait times for the higher performance CPU in a dissimilar redundant pair may need to be increased to allow synchronization. It does not matter whether the newer model is in the primary or secondary unit.

### *Online Repair of the Genius Bus*

#### *Single Bus Networks*

The Genius bus of a single bus network can be repaired without disturbing power to either unit. However, repairing the bus without taking the entire Hot Standby CPU Redundancy system offline is not recommended because all devices on that bus will be disconnected from the controllers while the bus is being repaired.

#### *Dual Bus Networks*

The Genius bus of a dual bus network can be repaired without disturbing power to either unit. It is recommended that you disconnect the failed bus from the GBCs before you attempt to repair it.

### *Repair of a Non-Synchronized Active Unit (NSAU) Split Control System*

When Redundancy CPUs lose all redundancy links and become NSAUs, there is a possibility of split control or of a failed rack controlling outputs.

In a split control situation, some of the Remote IO devices are taking outputs from one Redundancy CPU and the other Remote IO devices are taking outputs from the other CPU. In this situation turning off one of the controllers could result in defaulting the outputs of some of the Remote IO devices.

A situation where a failed rack controls the outputs occurs when the failed RMX module is contained in the same rack as the CPU that is currently controlling Remote Device outputs.

The procedures given in this section discusses ways to reduce the chance of defaulting outputs on some of the Remote IO devices controlled by the Redundancy CPU pair. Although these procedures might prevent defaulting outputs, they might also involve a short disruption in the outputs as the Remote IO devices switch to taking outputs from the other CPU. It is incumbent on the user to know which CPU is controlling outputs on a specific Remote IO Device and determine whether it is acceptable to allow those outputs to default or to be disrupted.

#### *Initial Steps for All Systems*

Determine the source of the Redundancy link failure, which can either be the fiber optic cable or a failed RMX module.

1. Check the OK LEDs on the RMX modules. If the RMX's OK LED is off, the RMX module has failed.

If there is a failed RMX module, the rack containing the module will have to be taken offline in order to do the repair.

2. If all RMX OK LEDs are on, check the Signal Detect LEDs on the RMX modules. If the Signal Detect LED is off, it might indicate that the fiber optic cable connected to the RX input has failed.

If there is a failed fiber optic cable, you will need to choose which CPU to take offline to recover the redundancy link(s). Before taking one of the Redundancy CPUs offline, follow the steps given below for the particular I/O system.

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If the Genius Bus Controllers on both the Primary and Secondary CPUs are OK and actively sending outputs to the Genius devices, it is preferable to power off the Secondary CPU rack because the Genius devices prefer the Primary CPU.

 If an RMX module has failed the rack containing the failed module must be powered off, even if it is the Primary CPU rack.

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- If it has been determined that the problem is due to a failed fiber cable only, you can choose to take the Secondary CPU offline.
- **Note:** If there is a problem with Genius Bus Controller connectivity to any of the Genius I/O Devices, this should be fixed before proceeding to the next steps.



**Since the Redundancy CPUs are not synchronized, taking a CPU offline may cause a disruption in the outputs. You must be prepared to handle this condition.** 

#### *ENIU I/O Systems*

- 1. Using the ENIU status data, you should determine whether all ENIUs have network connectivity to both Redundancy CPUs. For details on using the ENIU status information, refer to the *PACSystems RX3i Ethernet NIU User's Manual,* GFK-2439.
- *Note:* If there is a problem with network connectivity to either CPU from any ENIU, this should be fixed prior to proceeding to the next steps.
- 2. Using the ENIU status data, determine which CPU is controlling outputs on each ENIU.
	- If all ENIUs are taking outputs from one CPU (normally it will be the Primary on LAN A), it is preferable to take the Redundancy CPU that is not currently controlling outputs offline.
	- If it has been determined that the problem is due only to a failed fiber cable, you can choose to take the CPU not controlling outputs offline.
	- If there are some ENIUs taking outputs from one CPU and some taking outputs from the other CPU or you need to take the CPU that is currently controlling outputs offline, for example if it contains the failed RMX module, take the desired CPU offline.

#### **Caution:**

**Since the Redundancy CPUs are not synchronized, taking a CPU offline may cause a disruption in the outputs. You must be prepared to handle this condition.** 

#### *Final Steps for All Systems*

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**RX7i Systems:** When a module has failed, the CPU will have to be taken offline by powering off the rack.

**RX3i Systems:** Because the RX3i system supports Hot Swap of modules, the CPU can be taken offline by either powering off the rack or by stopping the CPU.

- After taking the Redundancy CPU offline, replace the defective RMX module or cable and bring the CPU back online.
- If the CPU was powered off and retained its logic and configuration and is configured to Run after a power cycle, the Redundancy CPUs will automatically re-establish the redundancy links and resynchronize.
- If the CPU was stopped, use the programmer to download logic and configuration and put the CPU into Run mode. This will cause the CPUs to re-establish the redundancy links and resynchronize. After the CPUs are resynchronized, the steps given in "On Line Repair Recommendations" on page on page 6-[10](#page-91-0) can be followed to fix any other failed modules in the Redundancy CPU racks.

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# *RX3i Dual Genius Bus Overview*

This chapter provides an overview of PACSystems RX3i Dual Bus Genius. Please refer to the *PACSystems RX3i Dual Genius Bus Quick Start Guide* (provided with the RX3i Dual Bus Templates) for more information.

RX3i Dual Bus Genius is provided by a set of program blocks that coordinate the operation of I/O on Dual Genius Buses to provide cable redundancy.

Templates (PME folders) are available on the GE-IP Support Website as a starting point to implement applications using RX3i Dual Bus Genius.

**Note:** The current offering supports only VersaMax Genius Network Interface Units (GNIUs).

## *Features*

- Simplex and redundant controller support
- Support for 2 dual Genius buses
- Up to 29 remote I/O devices per dual Genius bus
- Up to 7500 discrete inputs and 7500 discrete outputs
- Up to 3200 analog inputs and 3200 analog outputs
- Templates to facilitate system configuration
- Support for VersaMax Genius Network Interface Units (GNIU)

### *Templates*

Template names are of the form: GENIUS\_1DB\_3iSC\_10SBA

1DB – indicates one dual bus. Choices are 1, 2

3iSC – indicates RX3i Simplex Controller. Choices are Simplex (SC), Redundant (RC)

10SBA – indicates 10 remote I/O devices. Choices are 2, 10, 20

**Note:** All SBAs in the templates are VersaMax GNIUs.

The templates support up to 7500 discrete inputs and up to 3200 analog inputs.

The quantity of discrete outputs and analog outputs is determined by the amount of %Q and %AQ the remote I/O can accommodate.

The templates come with a target for the controller(s) and a target for each remote I/O device.

The GBCs in the RX3i are preconfigured with the number of GNIUs in the template. Default addressing for Inputs and Outputs is preconfigured. Templates with 10 GNIUs have all the GNIUs on a single Dual Genius Bus. Templates with 20 GNIUS have 2 Dual Genius Buses and 10 GNIUs are on each dual bus. The default I/O addressing used in the templates is in the following table.





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The default addresses for I/O are provided for convenience. All four addresses and the lengths can be changed in the configuration for the remote I/O. The only rules are:

- Each reference address type for a given remote I/O device must use contiguous addressing.
- Addresses must be in the range of 1–7500 for %I and 1–3200 for %AI
- Discrete address, %I and %Q, must start on byte boundaries
- %I and %Q lengths must be a multiple of 8
- The address for a remote I/O device should not conflict with other remote I/O devices.
- **Note:** The same output addresses can be used in multiple remote I/O devices if the application so requires.

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### *Available Templates*



### *How to Choose a Template*

Steps to choose a template

- 1. Decide between a simplex controller and a redundant controller.
- 2. Determine the number of Genius remote I/O devices in your system. Choose a template that supports the number of remote devices or greater.
- 3. Determine how many Dual Genius Buses are in your system.

## *RX3i Dual Bus Genius Functionality*

Dual Bus Genius provides cable redundancy from the controller(s) to the remote I/O devices. This is achieved by two GBCs in the PLC (or two in each PLC for Redundant PLCs). Each GBC has an associated cable network that connects to all the remote I/O devices. The remote I/O devices are connected to both cable networks through a single interface that decides which cable network to communicate on. The remote I/O devices automatically switch from one cable network to the other if communication is lost on the first cable network. Additionally the PLC can be programmed to command the remote I/O devices to switch to the other cable network. The PLC has status bits for each remote I/O device indicating if a remote I/O device is on one or the other cable network.

Inputs and Outputs can be configured to Hold Last State or go to zero if communication is lost.

In the event of a remote I/O device switching from one cable network to the other, the Inputs and Outputs will Hold Last State while the switch over occurs. After a selectable timeout of 2.5 or 10 seconds the inputs and outputs will go to Hold Last State or Zero if communication is not re-established.

Point Faults – When point fault references are enabled in the controller's hardware configuration, the RX3i Dual Bus Genius templates support a subset of the functionality that is available with PACSystems controller rack I/O. If communication is lost to a remote I/O device, the Point Faults for all Inputs configured for that remote I/O device will be set. The functionality of setting a Point Fault for a specific Input Point, such as an Analog Input if it has an alarm, is not supported.

Automatic Role Switch (for Redundant Controllers only) – The RX3i Dual Bus Genius templates can be set up to request a role switch when the active controller can not communicate with all the remote I/O devices AND the backup controller can communicate with all the remote I/O devices. The role switch will make the backup controller the active controller. If this behavior is desired, this option must be explicitly enabled in the template's logic.

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