

# MTE SERIES TRANSMITTERS

Analog Input,  
Ethernet & Isolated 4-20 mA Outputs

## USER MANUAL



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# 1. ORDERING GUIDE

Configure a model number in this format: **LTE20DCV1**



## Transmitter Type

**LTE**... Ethernet and isolated 4-20 mA, outputs, two 120 mA solid state relays, and isolated transducer excitation output.



## Main Board

**2**.....Standard main board  
**4**.....Extended main board

**Note:** Extended main board adds rate of change and custom curve linearization. Not applicable to temperature.



## Power

**0**.....85-264 Vac  
**1**..... 12-32 Vac or 10-48 Vdc  
**2**..... Power over Ethernet



## Input Type

### DC Volts

**DCV1**.....200.00 mV  
**DCV2**.....2.0000 V  
**DCV3**.....20.000 V  
**DCV4**.....200.00 V  
**DCV5**.....600.0 V

### DC Amperes

**DCA1**..... 2.0000 mA  
**DCA2**.....20.000 mA  
**DCA3**..... 200.00 mA  
**DCA4**.....5.000 A

## RMS Volts

**RMV1** ..... 200.00 mV  
**RMV2** ..... 2.0000 V  
**RMV3** ..... 20.000 V  
**RMV4** ..... 200.00 V  
**RMV5** ..... 600.0 V

## RMS Amperes

**RMA1** ..... 2.0000 mA  
**RMA2** ..... 20.000 mA  
**RMA3** ..... 200.00 mA  
**RMA4** ..... 5.000 A

## Process Signals

4-20 mA, 0-10V, etc.

**P**.....4-20 mA in = 4-20 mA out  
**P1**.....Custom Scaling

Specify min input and output, max input and output.

## Strain Gauge, Potentiometer

4-wire ratio. Full scale ranges from 200 mV to 20V.

**SG** ..... 0-200 mV in = 4-20 mA  
**SG1** ..... Custom Scaling

Specify min input & min output, max input & max output.

## Load Cells

4- or 6-wire ratio. Full scale ranges from 20 to 500 mV.

**WM1**..... -99,999 to +99,999

Specify min input and output, max input & output.

## RTD Temperature

**Pt100, P385C** ..... -202 to 850°C  
**Pt100, P385F** ... -331 to 1562°F  
**Pt100, P392C** ..... -202 to 850°C  
**Pt100, P392F** ... -331 to 1562°F  
**Ni120, 672C** ..... -80 to 260°C  
**Ni120, 672F** ..... -112 to 500°F  
**Cu10, 427C**..... -97 to 260°C  
**Cu10, 427F**..... -143 to 500°F

## Thermocouple Temperature

**JC** ..... -210 to 760°C  
**JF**..... -347 to 1400°F  
**KC**..... -244 to 1372°C  
**KF**..... -408 to 2501°F  
**TC** ..... -257 to 400°C  
**TF** ..... -430 to 752°F  
**EC** ..... -240 to 1000°C  
**EF** ..... -400 to 1830°F  
**NC**..... -245 to 1300°C  
**NF**..... -410 to 2370°F  
**SC**..... -46 to 1768°C  
**SF**..... -51 to 3214°F  
**RC**..... -45 to 1768°C  
**RF**..... -49 to 3213°F

## Resistance

**R1** ..... 0-20 ohms  
**R2** ..... 0-200 ohms  
**R3** ..... 0-2 kohms  
**R4** ..... 0-20 kohms  
**R5** ..... 0-200 kohms  
**R6**..... 0-2 Mohms (fixed range)

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### 3. COMPLEMENTARY MANUALS

**This manual covers LTE Series DIN rail transmitters** with isolated Ethernet and 4-20 mA outputs, dual relays, and an analog input signal conditioner. It covers hardware aspects such as pinout and on-board jumpers, and transmitter setup such as scaling and relay setpoints. It also presents the main commands and text strings to be used with the Modbus and Custom ASCII communications protocols. It is intended to be used with the following separate manuals:

- **Ethernet Manual.** Covers Ethernet Node discovery and setup using Node Manager PC Software or the Web Server Software built into each Node. Required for use of Ethernet transmitters and normally shipped with this manual.
- **Modbus Communications Manual.** Covers strings and commands to be used with the Modbus protocol (if selected). Intended for programmers.
- **Serial Communications Manual.** Covers strings and commands to be used with Custom ASCII protocol (if selected). Intended for programmers.

**LT Series DIN rail transmitters** with isolated 4-20 mA and RS232/RS485 outputs, dual relays, and a pulse input signal conditioner are covered in a separate manual.

## 4. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

**LTE Series transmitters** duplicate the signal conditioning and signal processing features of their 1/8 DIN panel-mounted digital panel meter counterparts for exceptional accuracy at high read rates. A wide range of analog signal sources are accommodated by five analog signal conditioners, which are the same as for our panel meters:

- **DC input** for volts, amps, process signals (e.g., 4-20 mA), and strain gauges. Most sensitive full scale input range of 200 mV. Built-in 5A current shunt.
- **AC rms input** for volts and amps. Can be AC or DC coupled. Built-in 5A current shunt.
- **Load cell or microvolt input** with selectable full scale input ranges from 20 mV to 500 mV.
- **Thermocouple temperature input** for seven thermocouple types.
- **RTD temperature or Ohms input** for Pt100, Ni120 or Cu10 RTDs, or 20 $\Omega$ -200 k $\Omega$  resistance.

**An isolated 4-20 mA, 0-20 mA or 0-10V output is standard.** This output is generated by an ultra-linear 16-bit digital to analog converter which tracks an internal linearized digital reading.

**Isolated Ethernet communications are standard** via an RJ45 connector for a 10/100BaseT interface. Four serial communication protocols are understood by our transmitters: Modbus TCP, Modbus RTU, Modbus ASCII, and Custom ASCII (a simpler protocol than Modbus).

**An isolated transducer excitation output is standard.** Three output levels are jumper selectable: 5V at 100 mA, 10V at 120 mA, or 24V at 50 mA. The factory default setting is 10V and can power up to four 350 ohm load cells in parallel.

**Two isolated solid state relays are standard.** These are rated 120 mA at 140 Vac or 180 Vdc.

**Power over Ethernet (PoE) operation** is jumper selectable with the DC power option (10-48 Vdc).

**Isolation to 250V rms** is provided for power, signal input, analog output, relay outputs, and communications. Isolation adds safety and avoids possible ground loops. The transducer excitation output is isolated to  $\pm 50V$  from signal ground.

**Internal jumpers** are used to select the signal range and excitation level. The transmitter configuration is specified by the model number on the transmitter label. A user can reconfigure the transmitter by opening the case and moving jumpers.

**Transmitter scaling** is via serial connection to a PC using MS Windows based Instrument Setup Software, which can be downloaded at no charge.

## 5. RECEIVING & UNPACKING YOUR TRANSMITTER

Your transmitter was carefully tested and inspected prior to shipment. Should the transmitter be damaged in shipment, notify the freight carrier immediately. In the event the transmitter is not configured as ordered or is inoperable, return it to the place of purchase for repair or replacement. Please include a detailed description of the problem.

## 6. SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS



**Warning:** Use of this transmitter in a manner other than specified may impair the protection of the device and subject the user to a hazard. Do not attempt to operate if the unit shows visible damage.

### Cautions:

- This unit may be powered from 85-264 Vac or with the worldwide voltage power supply option, or from 12-32 Vac or 10-48 Vdc with the low voltage power supply option. Verify that the proper power option is installed for the power to be used.
- The 85-264 Vac power connector (P1 Pins 1-3) is colored **Green** to differentiate it from other input and output connectors. The 12-32 Vac or 10-48 Vdc power connector is colored **Black**. This transmitter has no power switch. It will be in operation as soon as power is applied.
- To avoid dangers of electrocution and/or short circuit, do not attempt to open the case while the unit is under power.
- To prevent an electrical or fire hazard, do not expose the transmitter to excessive moisture. Do not operate the transmitter in the presence of flammable gases or fumes, as such an environment constitutes an explosion hazard.

### Symbols applicable to this product:



Caution (refer to accompanying documents)



Caution, risk of electric shock.



Equipment protected throughout by double insulation or reinforced insulation.



CE Mark. Indicates that the product meets EU safety, health and environmental requirements.



Earth (ground) terminal.



Both direct and alternating current.

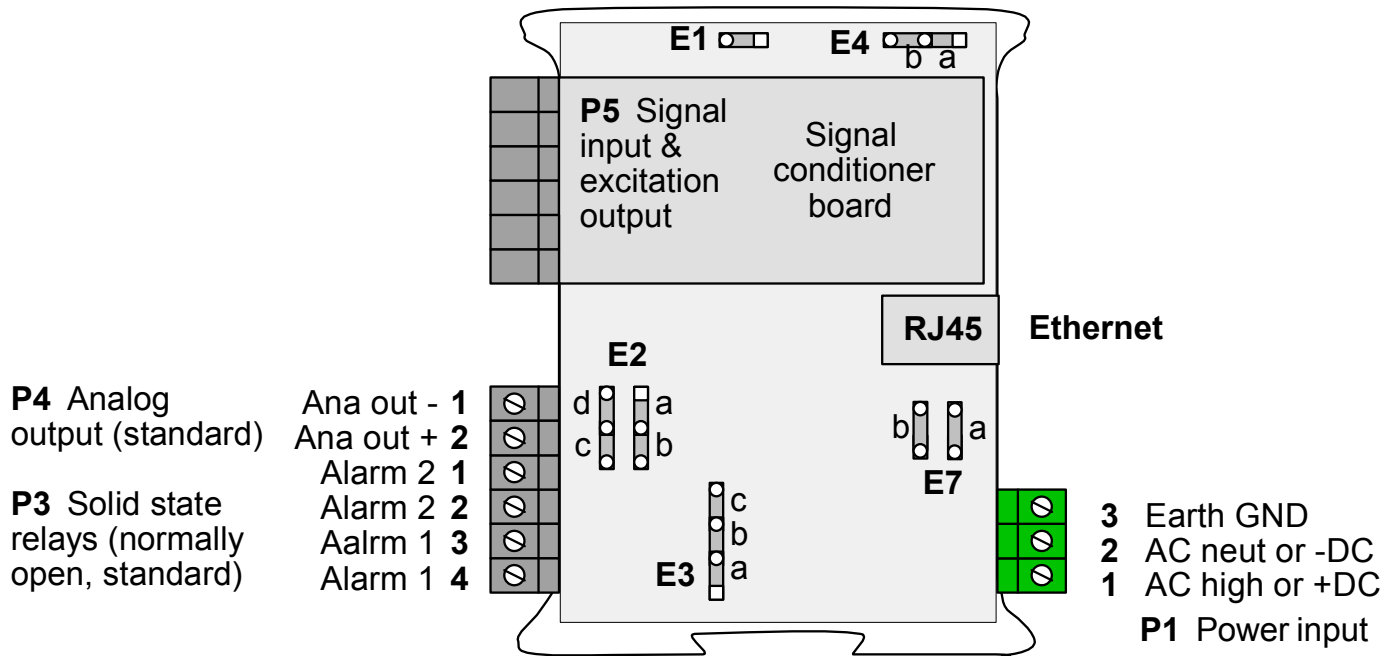


ETL Mark. Indicates that product conforms to UL Std. 61010-1 and is certified to CAN/USA Std. C22.2 No. 61010-1. Mark pending as of Oct 2013.

### Operating environment:

Transmitter Class II (double insulated) equipment designed for use in Pollution degree 2.

## 7. LTE TRANSMITTER MAIN BOARD JUMPERS & FIELD WIRING



An **RJ45 Ethernet connector** allows the transmitter to be connected directly to a computer, router, switch or hub via an Ethernet cable. An isolated analog output and dual relays are also standard.

**Jumpers on the main board** allow selection of the following:

- Analog output (current or voltage).
- Power over Ethernet (PoE). Only available for main boards with the 10-48 Vdc power option. Jumpers are preset if PoE is specified at the time of purchase.
- Excitation output. Note that attempting to draw more than the rated transducer excitation output current will shut down the output.

**Jumpers on analog signal conditioner boards** are described in later manual sections.

**To reset the transmitter** (same as power-up), press the Reset button.

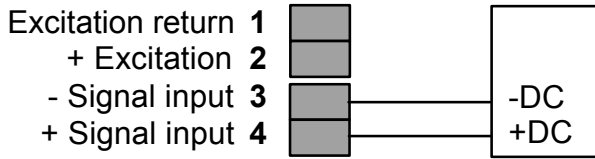
**To reset communications** to 9600 baud, command mode, Custom ASCII protocol, and Address 1, place a jumper at E1 and power up the transmitter.

Analog Output	Jumpers
Current (0-20 mA)	E2 a + d
Voltage (0-10V)	E2 b + c
Power over Ethernet	Jumpers
Enabled	E7 a + b

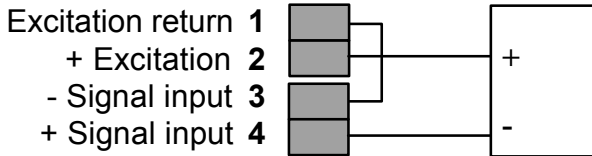
Excitation Output	Jumpers
5V, 100 mA	E3 a + c; E4 a
10V, 120 mA	E3 a + c; E4 b
24V, 50 mA	E3 b, E4 none
Comm. Reset	Jumper
Jumper + power-up	E1

## P6 - SIGNAL INPUT DETAIL

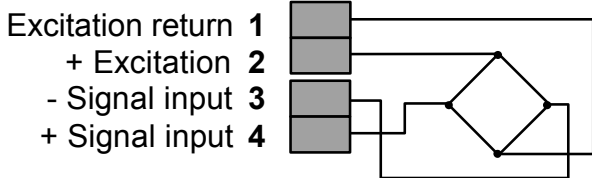
### DC & Externally Powered Process



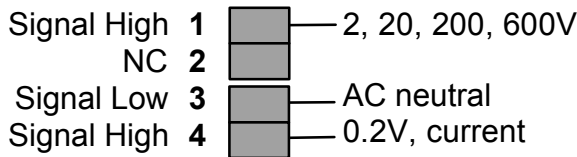
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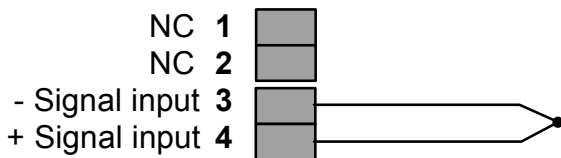
### Strain Gauge



### AC & AC+DC True RMS

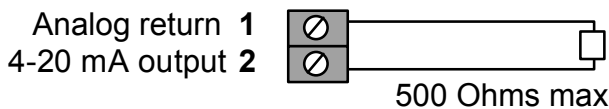


### Thermocouple

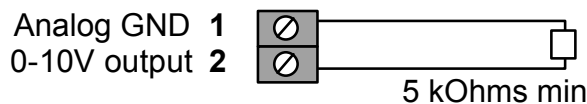


## P4 - ANALOG OUTPUT DETAIL

### Driving a Load with 4-20 mA



### Driving a Load with 0-10V

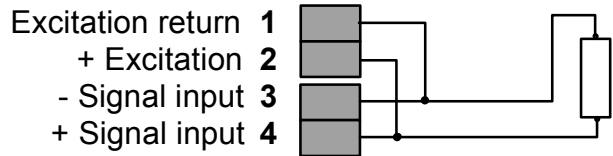


### Load Cell

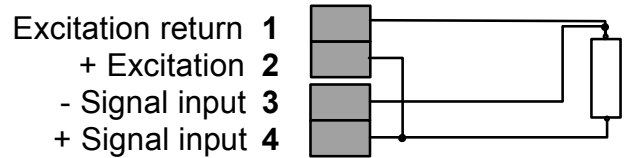


For 4-wire load cell connection, jumper Pin1 to Pin 2, and Pin 5 to Pin 6.

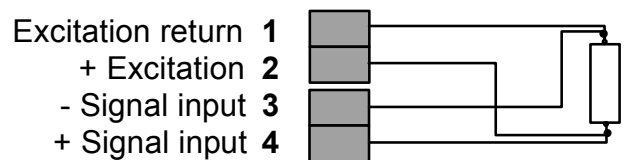
### RTD or Resistance - 2 Wire



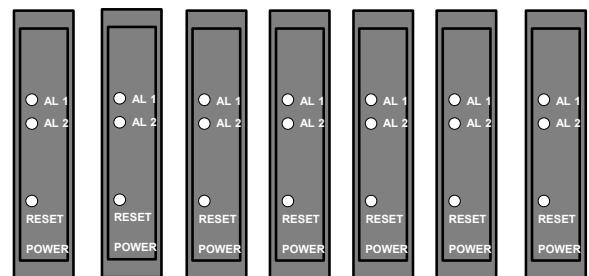
### RTD or Resistance - 3 Wire



### RTD or Resistance - 4 Wire



## MOUNTING FOR COOLING

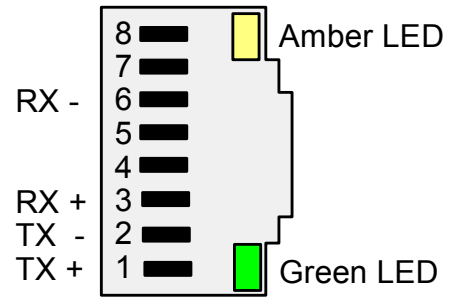


Mount transmitters with ventilation holes at top and bottom. Leave minimum of 6 mm (1/4") between transmitters, or force air with a fan.



**The Ethernet connector** for all of our Ethernet Nodes is provided by an RJ45 jack, Green and amber LEDs on the jack indicate network operation:

- 1) Following power-up, the green and amber LEDs are on steady until an IP address has been assigned to the Node.
- 2) Once an IP address has been assigned to the Node, the amber LED is turned off. It will light up whenever the Node detects data packet activity.
- 3) When the Node has made a TCP connection, the green LED alternates on (1 sec) and off (1 sec), while the amber LED is on steady.



**Ethernet Indicators**

**Ethernet cables** (CAT5 or better) can be straight-through or crossover. Our Ethernet Nodes automatically adapt for either.

## 8. PROGRAMMING YOUR TRANSMITTER

### OVERVIEW

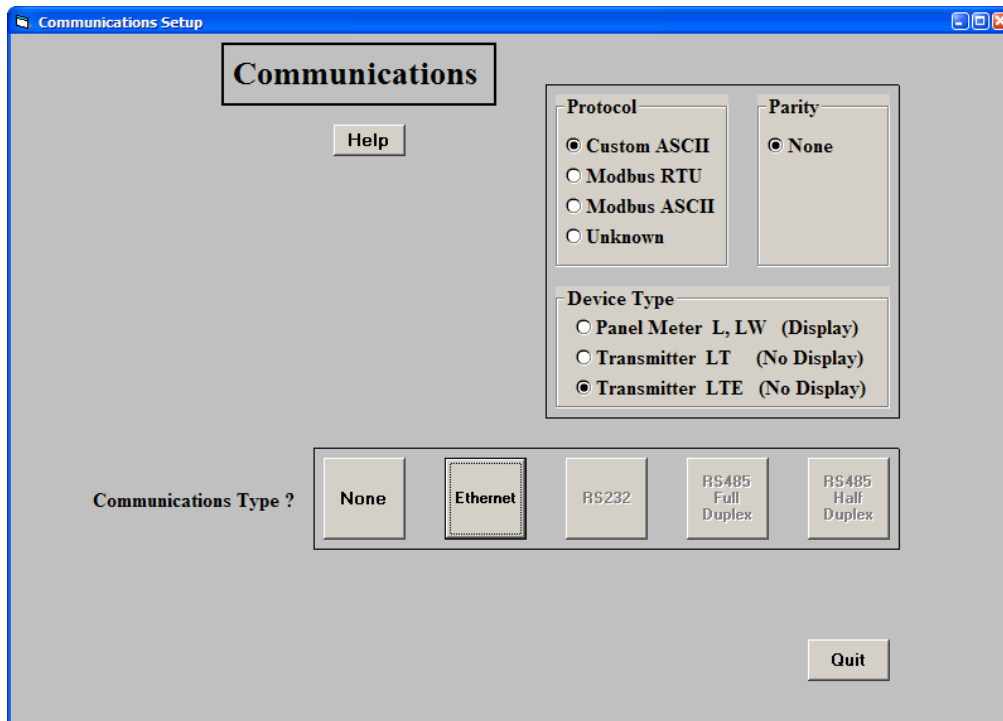
LTE transmitters are easily programmed by connecting them to the same LAN as a PC or by connecting them directly to a PC with an Ethernet cable, and then running Instrument Setup Software on the PC. This MS Windows based software allows Node and Device discovery, uploading, editing, downloading and saving of setup data, execution of commands under computer control, listing, plotting and graphing of data, and computer prompted calibration.

### INSTALLING INSTRUMENT SETUP SOFTWARE

Download the file *IS<sub>x</sub>\_x\_x.exe* from our website and double-click on the file name. Click on *Install Instrument Setup Software* and follow the prompts.

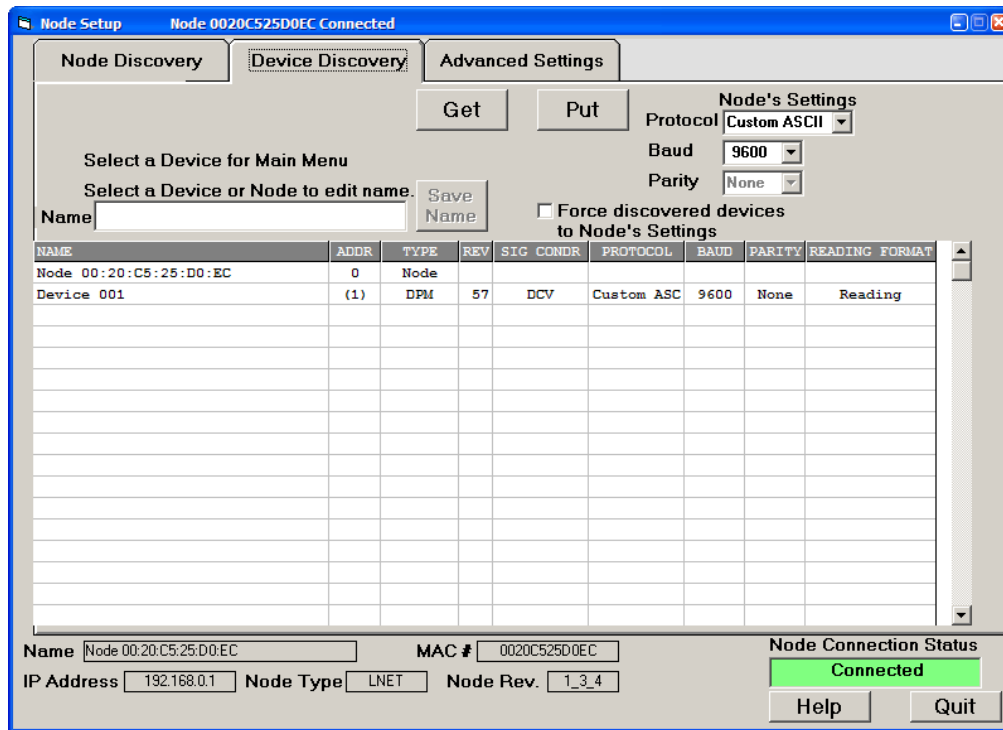
### LAUNCHING INSTRUMENT SETUP SOFTWARE

Connect your LTE transmitter to your PC via an Ethernet cable, or connect the transmitter to the same LAN as the PC. To launch IS software, press on *Start => Programs => IS2 => Instrument Setup* or on the desktop icon that you may have created. Following a brief splash screen, the *Communications Setup* screen will appear.



**In the Communications Setup screen**, select *Transmitter LTE* as the Device Type, *Ethernet* as the Communication Type, any of the protocols listed.

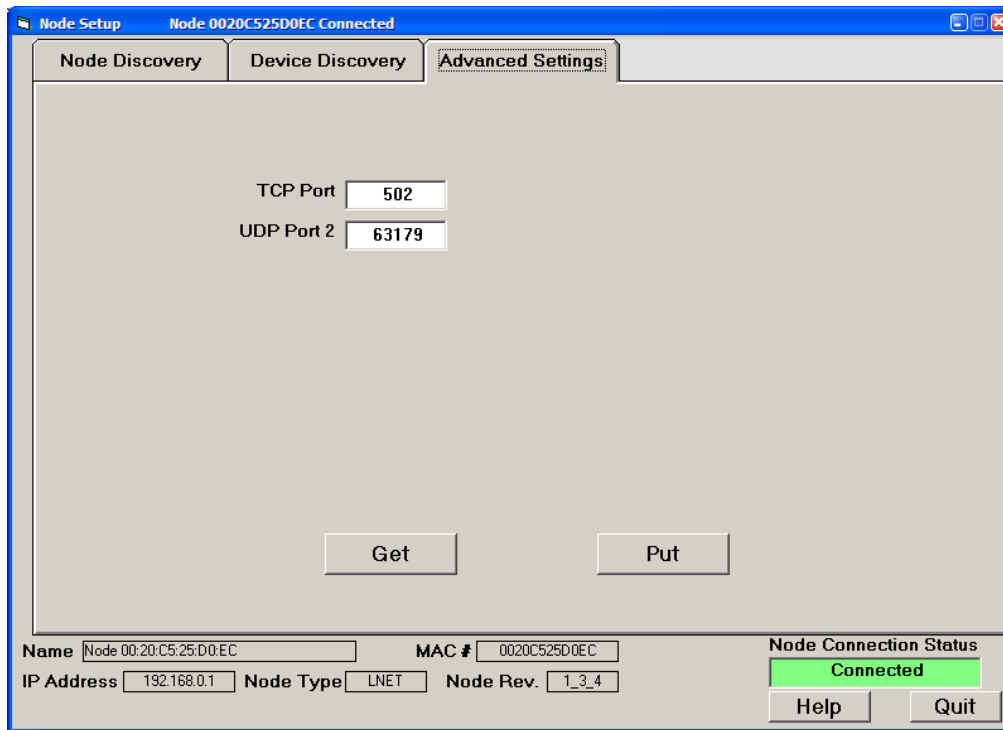




**Click on the Device Discovery tab**, and all Devices attached to your Node will be listed. With an LTE transmitter, the transmitter will be the only Device listed. With a device server Node, there can be up to 30 Devices (meters and transmitters) on an RS485 bus. Please see our Ethernet manual.

**Highlight your Node**, and you can assign a descriptive name to it, such as *Tank Farm*. The default name is the Node's unique MAC address. You can also use this tab to change your Node's communication settings. Press *Get* to retrieve settings from the Node to the PC. Press *Put* to write settings from the PC to the Node.

**Highlight your Device**, and you can assign a descriptive name to it, such as *Tank Level*. Press *Get* to retrieve settings from the Device to the PC. Press *Put* to write settings from the PC to the Device.



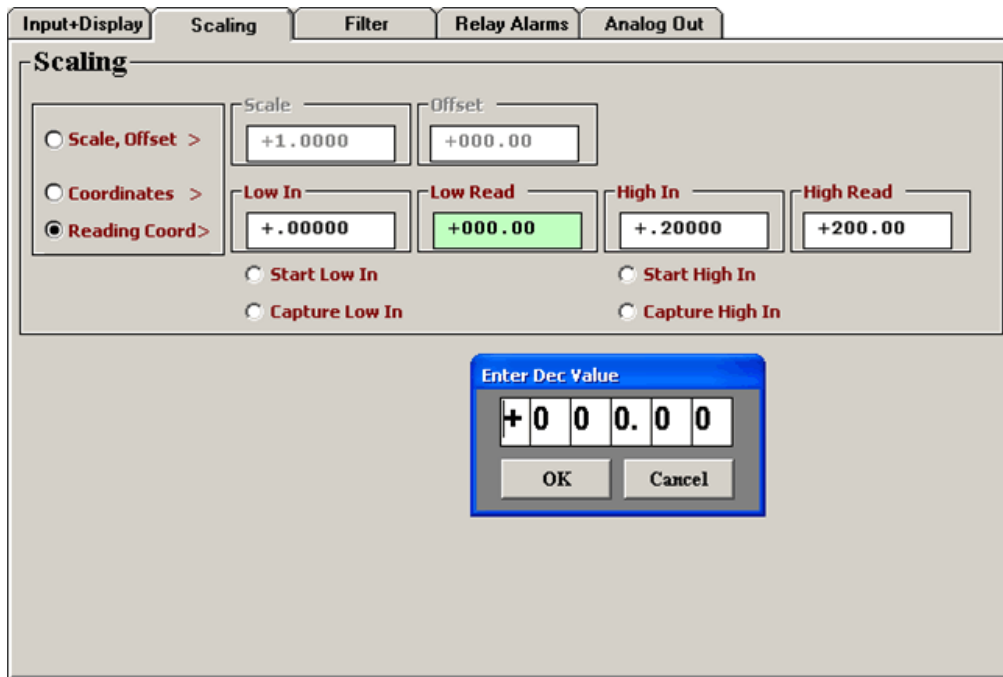
**Click on the Advanced Settings tab**, and you will be given the opportunity to change the Node's TCP and UDP Port settings. Press *Get* to retrieve settings from the Node to the PC. Press *Put* to write settings from the PC to the Node.

If a browser is to access our Nodes on a remote LAN over the Internet, port forwarding must first be set up for the router that controls the remote LAN. The default port numbers programmed into our Nodes are UDP port **63179** for Node discovery and TCP port **502** for Modbus TCP. If these ports are blocked by the router or by a firewall, different port values can be entered into our Nodes. You or your company's IT department will then also need to set up the remote router to forward these different port values.

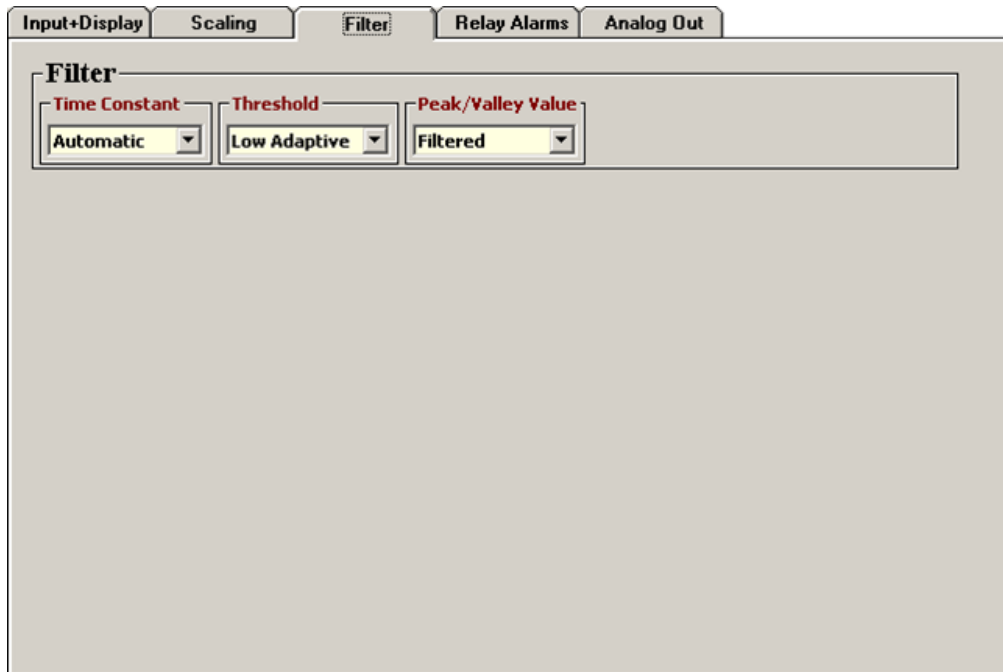
**To reach the above Input+Display tab screen, follow this procedure:**

- 1) Highlight your device under the *Device Discovery* tab.
- 2) Click on the *Main Menu* button. A new *DPM Main Menu* window will open with a help screen.
- 3) Click on *DPM* in the top menu bar. Our analog input transmitters and DPMs use the same software. While a scaled digital reading is not displayed by transmitters, it is used internally.
- 4) Click on *Get Setup* to retrieve the setup data currently in the transmitter.
- 5) Click on *View=> Setup* to reach the above setup window with five tabs.

**The Input+Display tab is used to set up *Signal Input*, *Display*, and *Control Inputs*.** Note that IS Software reads the signal conditioner type, but not the range, which is set by jumpers. The *50/60 Hz Line Freq* selection is used for best noise rejection at AC line frequency. Click on *Read* to display the current reading. Press the **F1 key** for help with any highlighted item.



**Click on the *Scaling* tab** to scale your transmitter. You will be given the choice of three scaling methods: 1) Scale and Offset method, 2) Coordinates of 2 points method where (Low In, Low Read) and (High In, High Read) data points are entered numerically, and 3) Reading Coordinates of 2 points method, which captures actual readings.



**Click on the *Filter* tab** to set to set up filtering for your readings. The filter time constant can be automatic, be specified in seconds, or be turned off. The adaptive threshold modifies the time constant in response to noise. A low adaptive threshold is recommended for normal low noise. A high adaptive threshold is recommended for high noise environments.

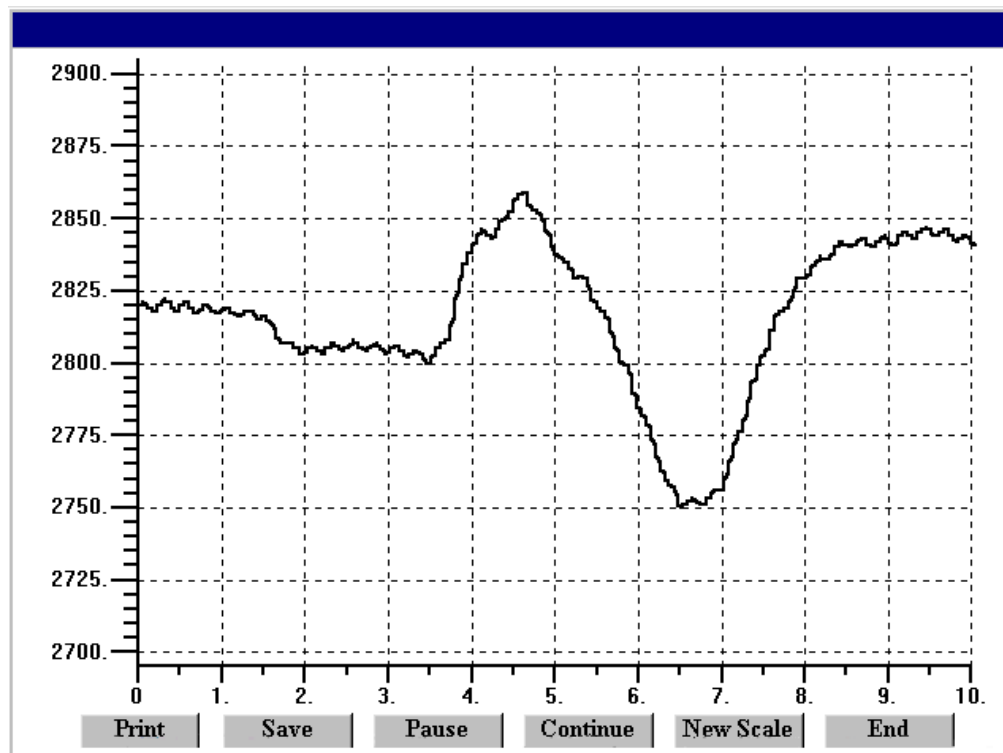
Click on the **Relay Alarms** tab to set up your transmitter's two solid state relays, which are standard. Press the **F1** key for help with any highlighted item.

Click on the **Analog Out** tab to scale your analog output, which is standard. Under *Range*, select *0-20 mA Current*, *0-10V Voltage*, or *4-20 mA*. Type in your *Lo Range Reading* and *Hi Range reading*. These will create the two endpoints of your analog output range. Press the **F1** key for help with any highlighted item.

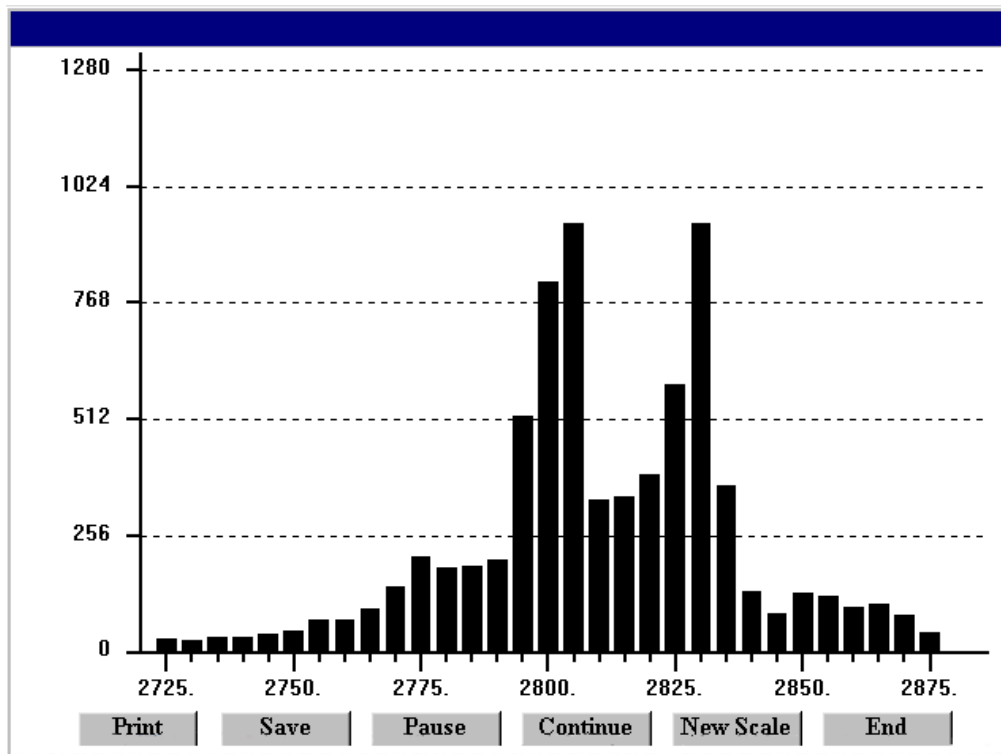


## PULL-DOWN MENU FEATURES

- **The File pull-down menu** allows you to save setup files to disk by pressing on *Save Setup* and to open setup files from disk by pressing on *Open Setup*. Opened setup files can then be edited on the PC, be saved to disk, and be downloaded into Devices by using *DPM=> Put Setup*.
- **The Commands pull-down menu** allows you to execute certain functions by using your computer mouse. This menu will be grayed out unless a *Get Setup* has been executed.
- **The Readings pull-down menu** provides three formats to display input data on your PC monitor. Use the *Pause* and *Continue* buttons to control the timing of data collection, then press *Print* for a hardcopy on your PC printer.
  - **List** presents the latest internal readings in a 20-row by 10-column table. Press *Pause* at any time to freeze the display. Press *Print* for a hardcopy.
  - **Plot** generates a plot of internal readings vs. time in seconds. It effectively turns the transmitter-PC combination into a printing digital oscilloscope.
  - **Graph** generates a histogram, where the horizontal axis is the internal reading, and the vertical axis is the number of occurrences of readings. The display continually resizes itself as the number of readings increases.



Plot



Graph

- **The Jumpers pull-down menu** shows jumper positions for the selected signal conditioner boards and the main board, duplicating information in this manual.

**DC Signal Conditioner Jumpers**

**DC Signal Conditioner**

Voltage		Current	
Input Range	Jumper Positions	Input Range	Jumper Positions
200 mV	E, b	2 mA	D, h, b
2 V	E, a	20 mA	C, h, b
20 V	F, g, b	200 mA	B, h, b
200 V	F, g, a	5 A	A, h, b
660 V	F, h, a		

**Notes:**

1. Click on Jumpers/Power Supply to select jumpers for 5, 10 or 24V Excitation.
2. Upper case letter positions require 5mm(.2in) jumpers, lower case 2.5mm(0.1in) jumpers.
3. Store spare jumpers on single unused jumper posts NOT associated with upper case letters.

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## 9. OPENING YOUR TRANSMITTER CASE

### WHEN TO CHANGE JUMPERS

Your transmitter case does not need to be opened if jumpers have already been set by your distributor. Otherwise you will need to open the case and either set jumpers or verify that the factory default jumper positions will meet your needs. Note that while Instrument Setup Software senses the circuit board type, it does not sense jumper settings, and the corresponding information has to be entered manually. Jumpers are used for the following:

- 1) **On the signal conditioner board** to set the signal type (e.g., voltage or current) and the range. For details, please see the next five sections of this manual. Note that all ranges of all signal conditioner boards are factory calibrated, with calibration factors stored in EPROM on the board.
- 2) **On the main board** to set the analog output signal (current or voltage) and sensor excitation output (5V, 10V or 24V). Default factory settings are current analog output and 10V excitation.

### HOW TO OPEN & CLOSE THE CASE



The two clamshell halves of the case are held together with a bolt and a nut at each of the four corners. Use a Phillips screwdriver to remove the four bolts. The nut will then drop off, and the clamshell halves will separate. When closing the case, make sure that the ventilation grills are properly aligned.



**Caution:** The nuts at each corner are not captive and are black. Take precautions so that the nuts do not get lost.

## 10. DC SIGNAL CONDITIONER BOARD

The DC volts, amps, process and strain transmitters utilize the DC signal conditioner board, which needs to be configured via jumpers for the desired voltage or current range. All signal ranges are factory calibrated with calibration factors stored in EEPROM on the signal conditioner board. Instrument Setup Software recognizes the board and brings up the appropriate menu items for it; however, it does not recognize the jumper settings. Ranges also have to be selected manually. The excitation output can be set to 5V @ 100 mA, 10V @ 120 mA, or 24V @ 50 mA via main board jumper settings. Please see Section 14 of this manual.

### Board Revisions Q and R

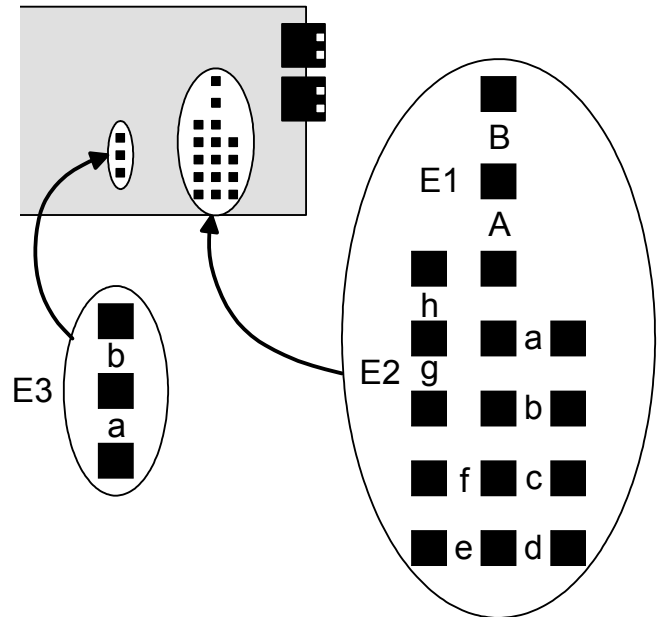
#### Voltage Ranges

FS Input	E1	E2	E3
±200.00 mV	A	f	b
±2.0000 V	A	f	a
±20.000 V	B	h	b
±200.00 V	B	h	a
±300V (UL)	B	g	a
±600V (not ETL)	B	g	a

#### Current Ranges

FS Input	E1	E2	E3
±2.0000 mA	A	e, g	b
±20.000 mA	A	d, g	b
±200.00 mA	A	c, g	b
±5.000 A	A	a, b, g	b

#### Jumpers



1. Use 5 mm (0.2") jumpers for locations E1 designated by a capital letter.
2. Use 2.5 mm (0.1") jumpers for locations E2 and E3 designated by a lower case letter.
3. Store spare jumpers on an unused jumper post not associated with a capital letter.

**For DC voltage and current transmitters**, a scale factor of 1 and an offset of 0 are used for readings in volts or amperes. Decimal point selection is independent of the transmitted units. For example, 20.000 mA or 20000  $\mu$ A are both be transmitted as 20000 counts.

**For process & strain transmitters**, three scaling methods can be selected in Instrument Setup Software: 1) Scale and offset, 2) Coordinates of 2 points, and 3) Reading coordinates of 2 points, which uses actual signals. Only menu items applicable to the selected method are presented. Note that full-scale ranges are  $\pm 20000$  counts. For resolution purposes, the 300V and 600V ranges are 2000V (100 mV/count), and the 5A range is 20A (1 mA/count).

## Example: Transmit the digital reading in amps and as 4-20 mA from a 500-100 current shunt

**Application:** Use a 500-100 (500A, 100 mV) current shunt. Digitally transmit the DC current reading in amps with 0.1A resolution. Also transmit a 4-20 mA signal corresponding to 0-200A.

The image shows three screenshots of a control panel configuration interface, likely for a digital multimeter or data logger. The interface has tabs for Input+Display, Scaling, Filter, Relay Alarms, Communication, and Analog Out.

**Input+Display Tab:**

- BASIC** (selected) / EXTENDED
- Option Boards: Sig Cond Option: DC
- Signal Input:** Mode: DC V, Range: 0.2V, Custom Curve: Disabled, Rate: Disabled, 50/60 Hz Line Freq: 60 Hz
- Display:** Resolution: 4.5 Digits, Decimal Point: dddd.d, Auto Tare: Disabled

**Scaling Tab:**

- Scale, Offset >** (selected) / Coordinates > / Reading Coord >
- Scale: +.50000, Offset: +0000.0
- Low In: +.00000, Low Read: +0000.0, High In: +.10000, High Read: +0500.0

**Analog Out Tab:**

- Analog Out Source: Unfiltered
- Lo Range Reading: +0000.0
- Range: 4-20mA Current
- Hi Range Reading: +0200.0

### Solution:

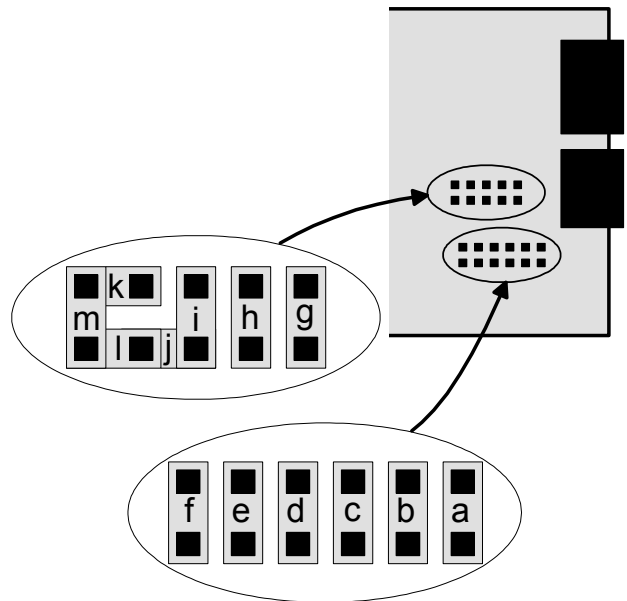
- Jumper signal conditioner for  $\pm 200.00$  mV range.
- Under “Input+Display” tab, set “Option Board” to DC, Mode to DC V, Range to 0.2V, “Decimal Point” to dddd.d, and “50/60 Hz Line Freq” to 60 Hz to reject 60 Hz noise.
- Under Scaling tab, if Coordinates is selected, set “High In” to 0.1V and “High Read” to 500.0A. For this application, Coordinates is the easiest, most intuitive scaling method.
- Under Scaling tab, if “Scale, Offset” method is selected, set Scale to 0.5. The reason is that a 200 mV full-scale input corresponds to 20,000 input counts, where each input count is 10  $\mu$ V (as for the 200 mV scale of a 4-digit meter). These 20,000 input counts need to correspond to 10,000 output counts, where each output count is 0.1A.
- Under “Analog Out” tab, set Range to “4-20 mA current”, “Lo Range Reading” to 0.0A, and “Hi Range Reading” to 200.0A.

## 11. AC RMS SIGNAL CONDITIONER BOARD

Five RMS voltage and four RMS current ranges are jumper selectable, as is AC or DC coupling. All signal ranges are factory calibrated with calibration factors stored in EEPROM on the signal conditioner board. Instrument Setup Software recognizes the board and brings up the appropriate menu items for it; however, it does not recognize the jumper settings. Ranges also have to be entered manually.

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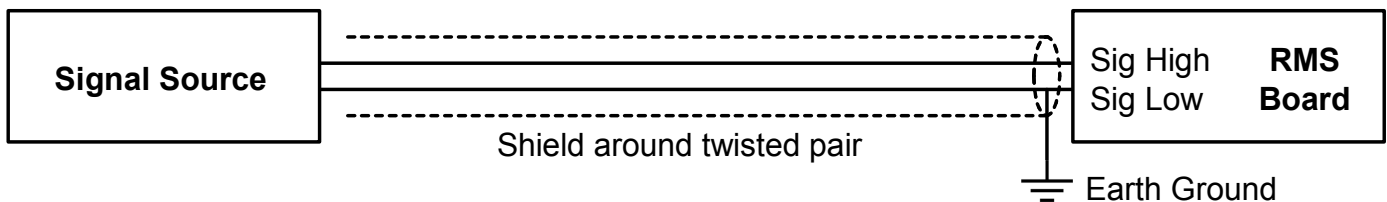
Voltage Ranges	Jumpers
200.00 mV	j
2.0000 V	c, g, h
20.000 V	c, i
200.00 V	c, k
600.0 V	c, m
Current Ranges	Jumpers
2.0000 mA	l, k
20.000 mA	b, m
200.00 mA	a, m
5.000 A	c, d, e, m
Signal Coupling	Jumpers
AC + DC	f
AC only	none



The flexible noise shield may be removed for jumper setting, but must then be reinstalled.

1. Use 2.5 mm (0.1") jumpers.
2. Store spare jumpers on an unused jumper post.
3. OK to remove the plug-in shield for jumper setting, but reinstall before closing the case.

To minimize noise pickup, the input signal wiring should utilize a shielded twisted pair, and the shield should be connected to signal low at the rms board, as illustrated below. If signal low is close to earth ground, such as within 2V, signal low can further be connected to earth ground.



*Shielding for AC noise reduction*

## Example: Transmit the digital reading in amps and as 4-20 mA from an AC current transformer

**Application:** Use a 200:5 (200A in, 5A out) AC current transformer. Digitally transmit the AC current reading in amps with 0.1A resolution. Also transmit a 4-20 mA signal corresponding to 0-100A.

The image shows three screenshots of a configuration interface for a device, likely a meter or controller, with tabs for Input+Display, Scaling, Filter, Relay Alarms, Communication, and Analog Out.

**Input+Display Tab:**

- Option Boards:** BASIC (selected), EXTENDED
- Sig Cond Option:** True RMS
- Signal Input:**
  - Mode: RMS A
  - Range: 5.0A
  - Custom Curve: Disabled
  - Rate: Disabled
  - 50/60 Hz Line Freq: 60 Hz
- Display:**
  - Resolution: 4.5 Digits
  - Decimal Point: dddd.d
  - Auto Tare: Disabled

**Scaling Tab:**

- Scale, Offset >** (selected): Scale: +.40000, Offset: +0000.0
- Coordinates >** (selected): Low In: +00.000, Low Read: +0000.0, High In: +05.000, High Read: +0200.0
- Reading Coord >** (unselected)

**Analog Out Tab:**

- Analog Out Source:** Unfiltered
- Lo Range Reading:** +0000.0
- Range:** 4-20mA Current
- Hi Range Reading:** +0100.0

### Solution:

- Jumper signal conditioner for 5.000 A current range and AC coupling.
- Under “Input+Display” tab, set “Option Board” to True RMS, Mode to RMS A, Range to 5.0A, “Decimal Point” to dddd.d, and “50/60 Hz Line Freq” to 60 Hz to reject 60 Hz noise.
- Under Scaling tab, if Coordinates is selected, set “High In” to 5.000A and “High Read” to 200.0A. For this application, Coordinates is the easiest, most intuitive scaling method.
- Under Scaling tab, if “Scale, Offset” method is selected, set Scale to 0.4. The reason is that a 5A full-scale input corresponds to 5,000 input counts, where each input count is 1 mA (as for the 5A scale of a 4-digit meter). These 5,000 input counts need to correspond to 2,000 output counts, where each output count is 0.1A.
- Under “Analog Out” tab, set Range to “4-20 mA current”, “Lo Range Reading” to 0.0A, and “Hi Range Reading” to 100.0A.

## 12. LOAD CELL SIGNAL CONDITIONER BOARD

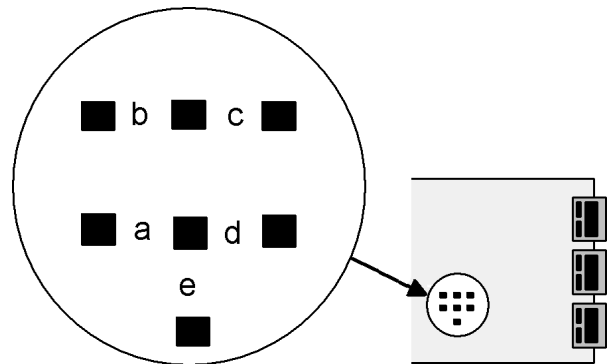
The **load cell signal conditioner board** offers sensitivity to  $\pm 20$  mV full-scale and 4 or 6-wire load cell connection. This board needs to be configured via jumpers for the desired full-scale voltage range. All ranges are factory calibrated with calibration factors stored in EEPROM. Instrument Setup Software recognizes the board and will bring up the appropriate menu items for it; however, it does not recognize the jumper settings. The ranges also have to be selected in Instrument Setup software. The excitation output can be set to 5V @ 100 mA, 10V @ 120 mA, or 24V @ 50 mA via main board jumper settings. Please see Section 14 of this manual. Operation is ratiometric, with automatic compensation for changes in excitation voltage.

**For DC microvolt applications**, a scale factor of 1 and an offset of 0 are used for direct readings in microvolts or millivolts. Decimal point selection does not affect the displayed digits. For example, 20 mV can be transmitted as 20.000 mV or 20000  $\mu$ V. The decimal point is set separately.

**For load cell applications**, three scaling methods can be selected in Instrument Setup Software: 1) Scale and offset, 2) Coordinates of 2 points, and 3) Reading coordinates of 2 points, which uses actual signals. Only menu items applicable to the selected scaling method will be presented.

### Load Cell & Microvolt Ranges

FS Input	Jumpers	FS Counts
$\pm 20.000$ mV	<b>e</b>	$\pm 20000$
$\pm 50.000$ mV	<b>a</b>	$\pm 50000$
$\pm 100.00$ mV	<b>b</b>	$\pm 10000$
$\pm 250.00$ mV	<b>c</b>	$\pm 25000$
$\pm 500.00$ mV	<b>d</b>	$\pm 50000$



1. Use 2.5 mm (0.1") jumpers.
2. Store spare jumpers on an unused jumper post.



## Example: Transmit weight in decimal tons and as 4-20 mA with overweight alarming

**Application:** Digitally transmit weight in metric tons with 3 decimal places using a 3 mV/V load cell. Also output weight from 0 to 5.000 tons as a 0-10V signal. Apply 10V excitation. At a load of 5.000 tons, the load cell output will be 30 mV. Alarm weight over 4.000 tons, but wait for 8 readings over this limit (or 15 msec) so as not to alarm on a noise spike.

The image shows three screenshots of a control panel interface, likely for a load cell or scale, with tabs for Input+Display, Scaling, Filter, Relay Alarms, Communication, and Analog Out.

**Input+Display Tab:**

- BASIC** (selected) / EXTENDED
- Option Boards:** Sig Cond Option (Load Cell)
- Signal Input:** Mode (Strain), Range (50.0mV), Custom Curve (Disabled), Rate (Disabled), 50/60 Hz Line Freq (60 Hz)
- Display:** Resolution (4.5 Digits), Decimal Point (dd . ddd), Auto Tare (Disabled)

**Scaling Tab:**

- Scale, Offset >** (selected) / Coordinates > / Reading Coord >
- Scale:** +.16667
- Offset:** +00.000
- Low In:** +00.000
- Low Read:** +00.000
- High In:** +30.000
- High Read:** +05.000

**Analog Out Tab:**

- Analog Out Source:** Unfiltered
- Lo Range Reading:** +00.000
- Range:** 0-10V Voltage
- Hi Range Reading:** +05.000

### Solution:

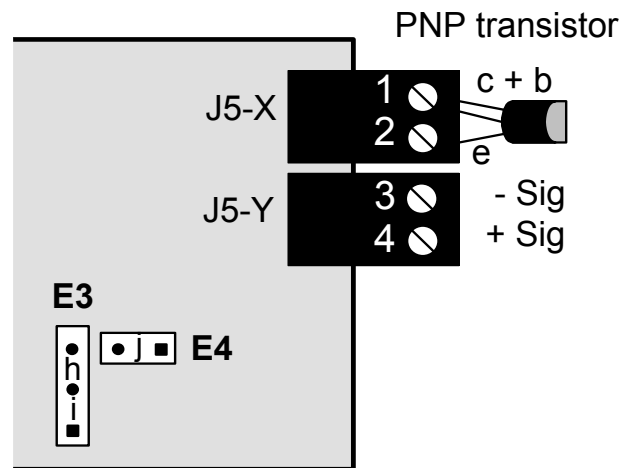
- Jumper signal conditioner for 50.000 mV range. Set power supply to 10V excitation.
- Under “Input+Display” tab, set Mode to Strain, range to 50.0mV, decimal point to 3 places, and “50/60 Hz Line Freq” to 60 Hz to reject 60 Hz noise.
- Under Scaling tab, if “Scale, Offset” method is selected, set Scale to 0.16667. The reason is that we want 30000 input counts to correspond to 5000 output counts.
- Under Scaling tab, if Coordinates is selected, set “High In” to 30.000 mV and “High Read” to 5.000 tons.
- Under “Relay Alarms” tab, enter 4.000 tons for Setpoint 1 and 8 readings to alarm.
- Under “Analog Out” tab, set Range to “0-10V Voltage”, “Lo Range Reading” to 0.000 tons and “Hi Range Reading” to 5.000 tons.

## 13. THERMOCOUPLE SIGNAL CONDITIONER BOARD

The thermocouple signal conditioner board can be configured via jumpers for 7 thermocouple types, each in a single range: J, K, T, E, N, S, R. Instrument Setup Software recognizes the board and will bring up the appropriate menu items for it; however, it does not recognize jumper settings, so the thermocouple type also has to be selected in Instrument Setup Software. A large number of additional items are selectable in Instrument Setup Software. For help with any item, highlight that item and press the F1 key. Note that Decimal Point choices are offered for 1°, 0.1° or 0.01° resolution. The 0.01° choice is not recommended for thermocouples. Offset adjustment is available under the Scaling tab and is normally set to 0000.0. If °C is selected, entering an offset of 0273.2 will change the display to Kelvin. If °F is selected, entering an offset of 0459.7 will change the display to Rankin.

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Thermocouple Type	E4 Jumper
J, K, E, N T, R, S	none j
Open T/C Indication	E3 Jumper
Upscale Downscale	h i



1. Use 2.5 mm (0.1") jumpers.
2. Store spare jumpers on an unused jumper post.

**Example: Transmit temperature, control a chiller, and provide an over-temperature alarm.**

**Application:** Transmit temperature of a fermentation tank as a 4-20 mA signal from 15°C to 35°C. Turn on a chiller when the temperature reaches 28°C. Turn off the chiller when the temperature is below 24°C. Alarm temperatures over 30°C. The sensor is a Type K thermocouple.

The image displays two screenshots of a control panel interface. The top screenshot shows the 'Input+Display' tab with the following settings: **BASIC** selected, **Option Boards** set to **TC Only**, **Signal Input** Mode set to **Thermocouple**, Range set to **K deg C**, Custom Curve set to **Disabled**, Rate set to **Disabled**, and **50/60 Hz Line Freq** set to **60 Hz**. The **Display** section has Resolution set to **0.1 Deg**, Decimal Point set to **dddd . d**, and **Auto Tare** set to **Disabled**.

The bottom screenshot shows the **Relay Alarms** tab with two alarm configurations:

Alarm 1	Alarm 2
Setpoint 1: +0028 . 0	Setpoint 2: +0030 . 0
Deviation 1: +0004 . 0	Deviation 2: +0000 . 0
Alarm State 1: Active High	Alarm State 2: Active High
Relay1 Alarm State: Active On	Relay2 Alarm State: Active On
Deviation 1 Type: Span Hysteresis	Deviation 2 Type: Span Hysteresis
Alarm 1 Type: Non-Latching	Alarm 2 Type: Non-Latching

At the bottom, **Alarms 1,2 No. Rdgs to Alarm** is set to **64 Readings**, and the **Filtered Alarm Source** checkbox is unchecked.

**Solution:**

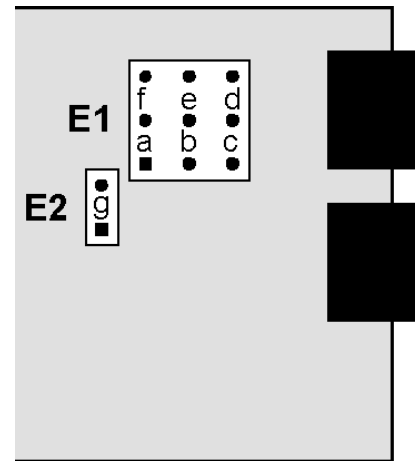
- Jumper signal conditioner for Type K thermocouple.
- Under “Input+Display” tab, set Mode to Thermocouple, range to “K deg C”, Resolution to 0.1 deg, and “50/60 Hz Line Freq” to 60 Hz to reject 60 Hz noise.
- Under “Relay Alarms” tab, select “Span Hysteresis” with a setpoint of 28.0°C and a deviation of 4°C for Alarm 1, which will control the chiller. Select a setpoint of 30.0°C for Alarm 2, which will be used to alarm over-temperatures.
- Under “Analog Out” tab, set Range to “4-20mA Current”, “Lo Range Reading” to 15.0°C and “Hi Range Reading” to 35.0°C.

## 14. RTD & OHMS SIGNAL CONDITIONER BOARD

The same signal conditioner board can be configured via jumpers for four RTD types (DIN 100Ω platinum, ANSI 100Ω platinum, 120Ω nickel, 10Ω copper) or for five resistance ranges (from 20.000Ω to 200.00 kΩ). A single fixed 2 MΩ resistance range (R6 ordering option) is provided by a factory modified signal conditioner board.

All ranges are factory calibrated with calibration factors stored in EEPROM on the signal conditioner board. Instrument Setup Software recognizes the board and will bring up the appropriate menu items for it; however, it does not recognize the jumper settings. Items to be entered in Instrument Setup Software for the input side include Mode (RTD or Ohms), Range (RTD type or ohms range), and Scale and Offset (a calibration correction applied to resistance).

Standard Board	Modified Board	E1 Jumper
Pt100, Ni120	N/A	a
Cu10, 20.000	N/A	b
0 - 200.00Ω	N/A	c
0 - 2.0000 kΩ	N/A	d
0 - 20.000 kΩ	N/A	e
0 - 200.00 kΩ	0 - 2.0000 MΩ	f
Connection for RTD or Resistance		E2 Jumper
2 or 4 wire		none
3 wire		g



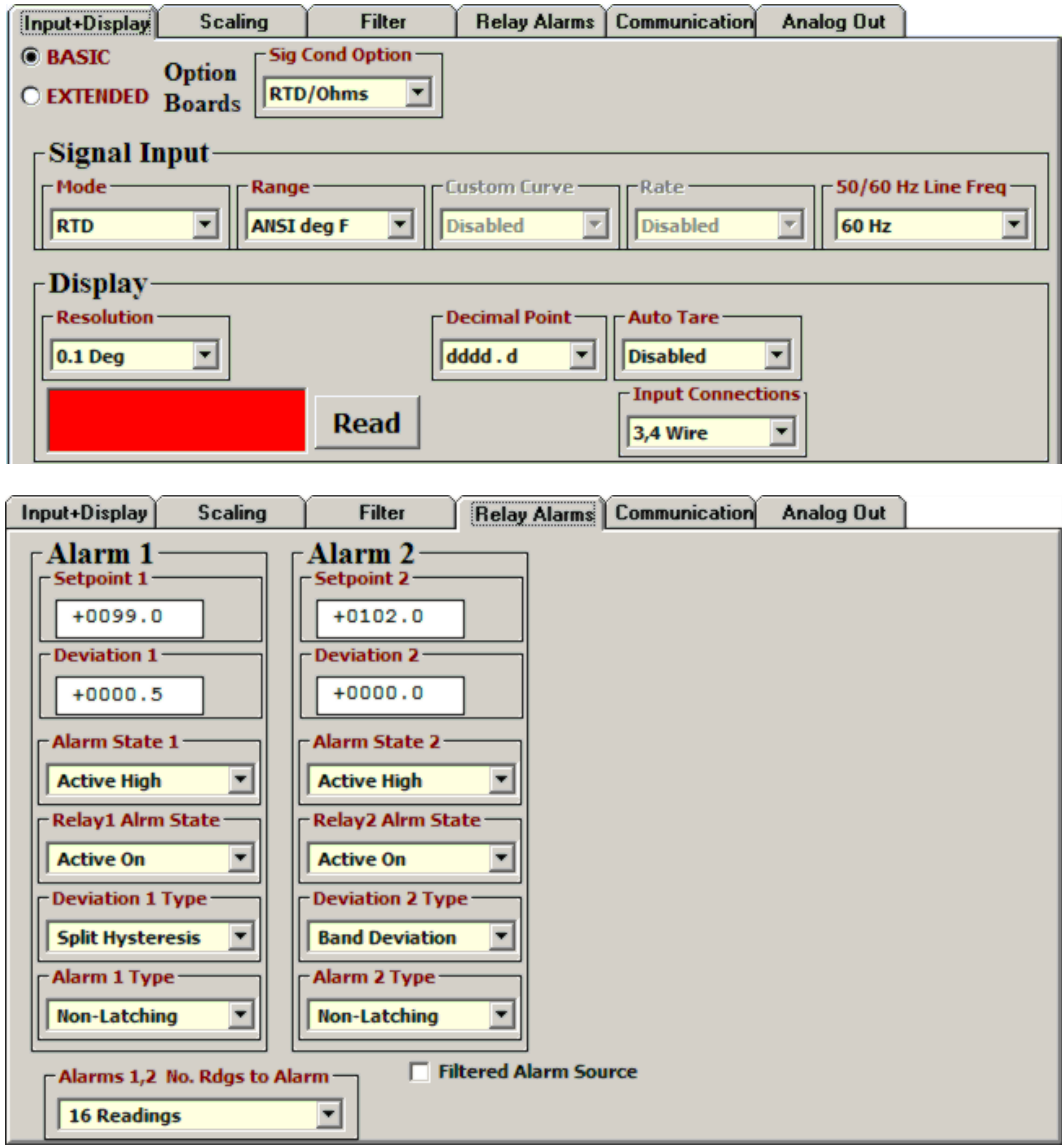
1. Use 2.5 mm (0.1") jumpers.
2. Store spare jumpers on an unused jumper post.

**RTD and resistance measurement** allow 2-, 3- or 4-wire hookup to compensate for lead wire resistance. Please see Section 6 for hookup diagrams.

- **In 2-wire hookup**, the transmitter senses the voltage drop across the load and both lead wires. The effect of the lead wires can be measured and subtracted by shorting out the load during transmitter setup, as prompted by Instrument Setup software. The short should be as close as possible to the load. Ambient temperature changes will still cause some error in the readings -- the higher the lead resistance, the greater the error.
- **In 3-wire hookup**, the transmitter automatically compensates for lead resistance by measuring the voltage drop in one current-carrying lead and assuming that the voltage drop in the other current-carrying lead is the same.
- **In 4-wire hookup**, there is no lead wire resistance error, as different pairs of wires are used for excitation and sensing. The sense wires only carry a few picoamperes and hence can measure the voltage across the RTD without error.

**Example: Control incubator temperature, alarm over-temperatures, record on chart recorder**

**Application:** Using an ANSI Platinum RTD as the sensor, control a heater to maintain the temperature of an incubator at  $99.0 \pm 0.5^\circ\text{F}$ . Use 4-wire connection. Output temperature to an analog chart recorder so that  $0\text{V} = 95^\circ\text{F}$  and  $10\text{V} = 105^\circ\text{F}$ . Alarm temperatures of  $102^\circ\text{F}$  or higher.



**Solution:**

- Jumper signal conditioner for Pt100 and 2 or 4-wire connection.
- Under “Input+Display” tab, set Mode to RTD, Range to “ANSI deg F”, Resolution to 0.1 deg, and “50/60 Hz Line Freq” to 60 Hz to reject 60 Hz noise.
- Under “Relay Alarms” tab, select “Split Hysteresis” with a setpoint of  $99.0^\circ\text{F}$  and a deviation of  $0.5^\circ\text{F}$  for Alarm 1, which will control the heater. Select a setpoint of  $102.0^\circ\text{F}$  for Alarm 2, which will be used to alarm over-temperatures.
- Under “Analog Out” tab, set Range to “0-10V Voltage”, “Lo Range Reading” to  $95.0^\circ\text{F}$  and “Hi Range Reading” to  $105.0^\circ\text{F}$ .

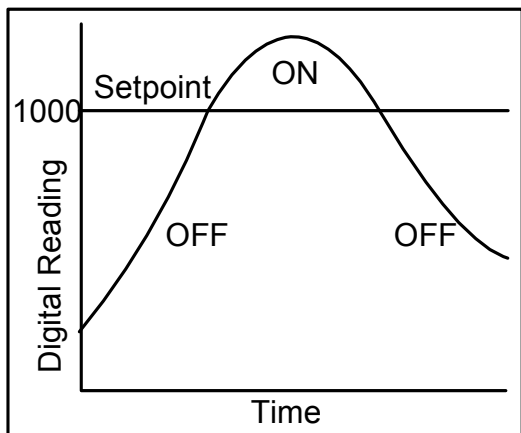
## 15. DUAL RELAY OPERATION

**Dual AC/DC solid state relays** rated 120 mA are standard for alarm or setpoint control and are independently set up via the “Relay Alarms” tab of Instrument Setup Software. For online help with any data entry field, press the **F1** key.

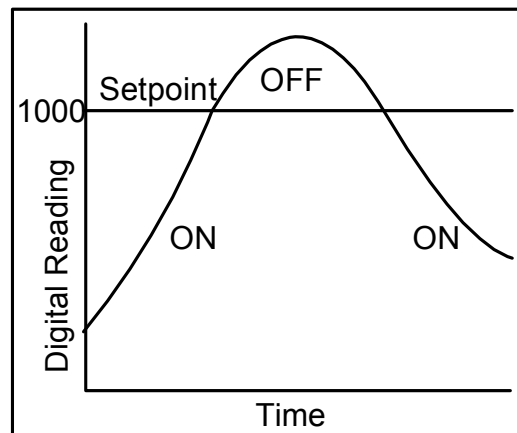
The screenshot shows the 'Relay Alarms' configuration window with the following settings:

Alarm 1	Alarm 2
Setpoint 1: +0100.00	Setpoint 2: +020.000
Deviation 1: +0000.00	Deviation 2: +000.000
Alarm 1 Source: Item 1	Alarm 2 Source: Item 3
Alarm 1 State: Active High	Alarm 2 State: Active Low
Relay1 Alarm State: Active On	Relay2 Alarm State: Active Off
Deviation 1 Type: Band Deviation	Deviation 2 Type: Split Hysteresis
Alarm 1 Type: Non-Latching	Alarm 2 Type: Latching
Alarms 1,2 No. Rdgs to Alarm: 4 Readings	

- Setpoint.** The number to which the current reading is compared if deviation is set to zero. The reading is the count in engineering units that is transmitted digitally and is also used for analog output. For example, if the transmitted reading is in gallons/minute, the setpoint will be referenced to that reading, not to the raw pulse rate sent from a turbine flow meter.

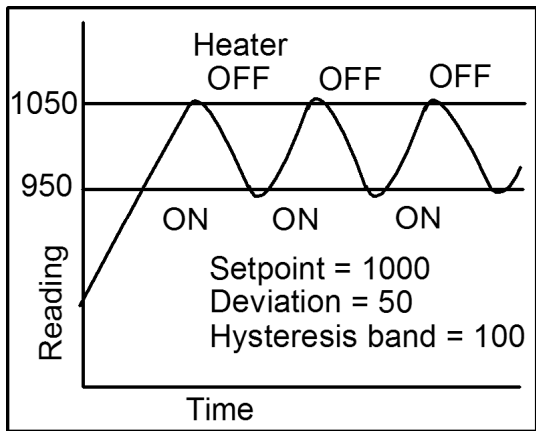


*“Active High” On/Off setpoint control  
with deviation = 0*

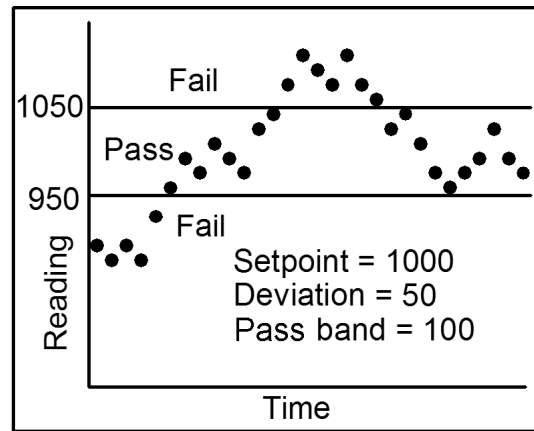


*“Active Low” On/Off setpoint control  
with deviation = 0*

- **Deviation.** A positive number that can be added or subtracted from the setpoint, depending on the Deviation Type, to determine when an alarm becomes Active or Inactive.
- **Alarm Source.** Depending on the Signal Input Mode and Function selected under the Input+ Display tab, the alarm can be assigned to any of up to three Items, for example to Item 1 (A rate / B rate), Item 2 (A rate), or Item 3 (B rate).
- **Alarm State.** If “Active High” is selected, the Active Alarm State is defined as being above the setpoint. If “Active Low” is selected, the Active Alarm State is defined as being below the setpoint. If “Disabled” is selected, the Alarm State is always inactive.
- **Relay State.** A setting with ties the Relay State to the Alarm State. If “Active On” is selected, the relay will be closed when the Alarm State is 1. If “Active Off” is selected, the relay will be open when the Alarm State is 1.
- **Deviation Type.** Three choices are offered: Band Deviation, Split Hysteresis, and Span Hysteresis. These define how Setpoint and Deviation are to be combined to set Alarm State.



*Split Hysteresis for heater control*



*Band Deviation for component testing*

**In Band Deviation**, the relay opens (or closes) when the reading falls within the deviation band, and closes (or opens) when the reading falls outside. Two deviation limits lie symmetrically around the setpoint to create the deviation band. Passbands around a setpoint are often used for go-no-go component testing.

**In Split Hysteresis**, the relay opens (or closes) when the reading goes above the Setpoint plus one Deviation, and closes (or opens) when the reading falls below the Setpoint less one Deviation. Two Deviation limits lie symmetrically around the Setpoint to create a deviation band. A narrow hysteresis band is often used to minimize relay chatter. A wide band can be used for on-off control.

**In Span Hysteresis**, operation is as for Split Hysteresis, except that the Setpoint is always on the high side, and a single Deviation lies below the Setpoint to create the hysteresis band. Span Hysteresis is considered by some to be more intuitive than Split Hysteresis.

- **Alarm Type.** Selections are Non-Latching and Latching. Under Non-Latching, the relay is only closed (or open) while the Alarm State is Active. Under Latching, the activated relay remains closed (or opens) until reset regardless of the Alarm State. Resetting is normally achieved by temporarily grounding one of the transmitter’s control inputs, which has been set to Function Reset under the “Input+Display” tab.
- **Alarms 1,2 No. Rdgs to Alarm.** Selections are binary steps from 1 to 128. This is the number of consecutive alarm readings that must occur to create an Active alarm. Numbers higher than 2 provide some Alarm filtering so that 1 or 2 noisy readings do not cause an Active Alarm. The Alarm becomes Inactive if one of the consecutive readings fails to be an Alarm reading. The Alarm readings counter then resets to 0.

## 16. INPUT SIGNAL FILTERING

The **Filter tab** provides selections to minimize the effect time jitter and electrical noise which can affect trigger points. In most cases, filtering is only available for Item 1 and is grayed out for totalizing and stopwatch functions.



- **Time Constant** provides a moving average filter with the following eight equivalent RC time constants: no filter, 0.1 sec, 0.2 sec, 0.4 sec, 0.8 sec, 1.6 sec, 3.2 sec, and 6.4 sec. The longer time constants provide superior noise filtering at the expense of fast response time. Note that filtering can also be accomplished by lengthening the Gate time under the Input+Display tab.
- **Type** allows selection of Adaptive or Conventional filtering. With Adaptive, the time constant is changed dynamically so that the transmitter can respond rapidly to actual changes in signal while filtering out random noise. The moving average filter is reset to the latest reading when the accumulated difference between individual readings and the filtered reading exceeds a Threshold. The accumulated difference is also reset to zero when the latest reading has a different polarity than the filtered reading. With Conventional filtering, the adaptive feature is disabled and the Time Constant does not change.
- **Threshold** allows selection of Low Adaptive or High Adaptive for the Adaptive filter selection. Normally select Low. Select High if the signal has large spurious transients which should not be considered as an actual change in signal.

**Peak/Valley Filter** allows the peak (maximum) or valley (minimum) functions to be based on Unfiltered or Filtered readings. Normally select Unfiltered. Select Filtered if you expect spurious readings which you do not wish to capture.



## 17. TRANSMITTER CALIBRATION

**All analog input and analog output ranges** of the transmitter have been digitally calibrated at the factory prior to shipment using calibration equipment certified to NIST standards. Calibration constants are stored digitally in non-volatile memory in EEPROM on the signal conditioner board and main board. This allows signal conditioner boards to be changed without requiring transmitter recalibration.

**If periodic recalibration is required**, the transmitter may be returned to the factory or to any authorized distributor. A modest fee will apply, which also covers a Calibration Certificate.

**DC, load cell, AC RMS, and thermocouple signal conditioner boards** can be calibrated using Instrument Setup Software running on a host PC, which is connected to the transmitter via Ethernet. The Calibration screen of Instrument Setup Software is accessed by clicking on Calibration at the top of the DPM Main Menu screen. The PC first recognizes the type of board, then prompts you to apply specific jumpers and specific known signals for each range. Press Repeat to take more readings. When you have decided on which reading to accept, press on the number 1 through 10 of that reading.

**The RTD/Ohms signal conditioner board** cannot be calibrated using the Calibration screen of Instrument Setup Software. Instead, use the Scaling tab under Setup. Here you can enter values for Scale and Offset for a specific range. These corrections apply to resistance, not to RTD temperature. To calibrate RTD temperature, refer to the published resistance table for your RTD type, and calibrate resistance. For example, if your measured resistances are 0.1% low, apply a scale factor of 1.01.

## 18. CUSTOM CURVE LINEARIZATION

**Curve.exe** is a DOS-based, executable PC program used to set up an Extended transmitter so that the internal digital readings have a user-defined, non-linear relationship with the input signal. For example, it allows a transmitter to correct for transducer nonlinearity. Calculated linearizing parameters are downloaded from a PC into non-volatile memory of the transmitter. The curve-fitting algorithm uses quadratic segments of varying length and curvature, and includes diagnostics to estimate curve fitting errors. The program is self-prompting, avoiding the need for detailed printed instructions.

**To get started**, download **curve.exe** from our website into the directory that will also contain your data files, such as **c:\curves**. Connect your transmitter to the PC and double-click on **curve.exe**, which is an executable file. Follow the computer prompts and extensive help information. Pressing **R** (Enter) returns to the main menu. You will be given the choice of four data entry modes, which are explained in detail: 1) Text file entry mode, 2) 2-coordinate keyboard entry mode, 3) 2-coordinate file entry mode, and 4) Equation entry mode.

## 19. MODBUS PROTOCOL TRANSMITTER COMMUNICATIONS

### 1.0 GENERAL

The Modbus capability conforms to the Modbus over Serial Line Specification & Implementation guide, V1.0. Both the Modbus RTU and Modbus ASCII protocols are implemented. This 5-page manual section presents key programmable Modbus features. Our detailed Modbus manual can be downloaded from <http://www.laurels.com/downloadfiles/modbus.pdf>

#### Modbus RTU

Baud Rate..... 300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600 or 19200  
Data Format ..... 1 start bit, 8 data bits, 1 parity bit, 1 stop bit (11 bits total)  
Parity..... None, Odd, Even (if None, then 2 Stop bits for 11 total)  
Address..... 0 for broadcast, 1-247 for individual meters

#### Modbus ASCII

Baud Rate..... 300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600 or 19200  
Data Format ..... 1 Start bit, 7 Data bits, 1 Parity bit, 1 Stop bit (10 bits total)  
Parity..... None, Odd, Even (if None, then 2 Stop bits for 10 total)  
Address..... 0 for broadcast, 1-247 for individual meters

### 2.0 FRAMING

**Modbus RTU:** Message frames are separated by a silent interval of at least 3.5 character times. If a silent interval of more than 1.5 character times occurs between two characters of the message frame, the message frame is considered incomplete and is discarded. Frame Check = 16 bit CRC of the complete message excluding CRC characters.

**Modbus ASCII:** The message begins immediately following a colon (:) and ends just before a Carriage Return/ Line Feed (CRLF). All message characters are hexadecimal 0-9, A-F (ASCII coded). The system allowable time interval between characters may be set to 1, 3, 5 or 10 seconds. Frame Check = 1 byte (2 hexadecimal characters) LRC of the message excluding the initial colon (:) and trailing LRC and CRLF characters.

### 3.0 COMMUNICATIONS SETUP

Parameters selectable via Instrument Setup software, downloadable and distributed on CD ROM:

Serial Protocol ..... Custom ASCII, Modbus RTU, Modbus ASCII  
Modbus ASCII Gap Timeout..... 1 sec, 3 sec, 5 sec, 10 sec  
Baud Rate..... 300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200  
Parity ..... No parity, odd parity, even parity  
Device Address ..... 0 to 247

## 4.0 SUPPORTED FUNCTION CODES

### FC03: Read Holding Registers

Reads internal registers containing setup parameters (Scale, Offset, Setpoints, etc.)

### FC10: Write Multiple Registers (FC10 = 16 dec)

Writes internal registers containing setup parameters (Scale, Offset, Setpoints, etc.)

### FC04: Read Input Registers

Reads measurement values and alarm status. Returns values in 2's Complement Binary Hex format without a decimal point. The displayed system decimal point can be read with FC03 at address 0057. Use only **odd** Register Addresses and an **even** number of Registers.

Register Address	TM Transmitter Response
-----	-----
00 01	Returns Hi word of Alarm status
00 02	Returns Lo word of Alarm status
00 03	Returns Hi word of Measurement value
00 04	Returns Lo word of Measurement value
00 05	Returns Hi word of Peak value
00 06	Returns Lo word of Peak value
00 07	Returns Hi word of Valley value
00 08	Returns Lo word of Valley value

### FC05: Write Single Coil

Action command to meter

Output Address	Output Value	Action Command
-----	-----	-----
00 01	FF 00	Transmitter Reset (No Response)
00 02	FF 00	Function Reset (Peak, Valley)
00 03	FF 00	Latched Alarm Reset
00 04	FF 00	Peak Reset
00 05	FF 00	Valley Reset
00 0C	FF 00	Tare Command (Weight Transmitter) (00 00 resets Tare)

### FC08: Diagnostics

Checks communications between the Master and Slave, and returns the count in the Modbus Slave counters (which are reset when the meter is reset).

Hex Sub Function Code	Data Send	Response Data	Description
00 00	Any	Same as sent	Returns Query Data (N x 2 bytes). Echo Request.
00 01	FF 00 00 00	FF 00 00 00	Restarts Communications. If in the Listen-Only mode, no response occurs. Takes Slave out of the Listen-Only mode and one of the following: Clears communications event counters. Does not clear communications event counters.
00 04	00 00	None	Forces Listen-Only. All addressed and broadcast Messages are monitored and counters are incremented, but no action is taken or response sent. Only Sub-Function 00 01 causes removal of this Listen-Only state.
00 0A	00 00	00 00	Clears all Modbus slave counters.
00 0B	00 00	Total Message Count	Returns total number of messages detected on the bus, including those not addressed to this Slave. Excludes bad LRC/CRC, parity error or length < 3.
00 0C	00 00	Checksum Error Count	Returns total number of messages with bad LRC/ CRC, parity or length < 3 errors detected on the bus including those not addressed to the Slave.
00 0D	00 00	Exception Error Count	Returns total number of Exception responses returned by the Addressed Slave or that would have been returned if not a broadcast message or if the Slave was not in a Listen-Only mode.
00 0E	00 00	Slave Message Count	Returns total number of messages, either broadcast or addressed to the Slave. Excludes bad LRC/CRC, parity or length < 3 errors.
00 0F	00 00	No Response Count	Returns total number of messages, either broadcast or addressed to the Slave, for which Slave has returned No Response, neither a normal response nor an exception response. Excludes bad LRC/CRC, parity or length < 3 errors.
00 11	00 00	Slave Busy	Returns total number of Exception Code 6 (Slave Busy) responses.

## 5.0 SUPPORTED EXCEPTION RESPONSE CODES

Code	Name	Error Description
01	Illegal Function	Illegal Function Code for this Slave. Only hex Function Codes 03, 04, 05, 08, 10 (dec 16) are allowed.
02	Illegal Data Address	Illegal Register Address for this Slave.
03	Illegal Data Value	Illegal data value or data length for the Modbus protocol.
04	Slave Device Failure	Slave device failure (eg. Transmitter set for external gate).

## 6.0 MESSAGE FORMATTING

MA = Meter Address	DD = Data (Hex)	CL = CRC Lo Byte
FC = Function Code	WW = Data (On/Off)	CH = CRC Hi Byte
RA = Register Address	SF = Sub-Function	CR = Carriage Return
NR = Number of Registers	EC = Error Code	LF = Line Feed
NB = Number of bytes	LRC = ASCII Checksum	

### Modbus RTU Format

FC	Action	> 3.5 Char	Byte Number										
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
03	Request	NoTx	MA	FC	RA	RA	NR	NR	CL	CH			
03	Response	NoTx	MA	FC	NB	DD*	DD*	CL	CH				
04	Request	NoTx	MA	FC	RA	RA	NR	NR	CL	CH			
04	Response	NoTx	MA	FC	NB	DD*	DD*	CL	CH				
05	Request	NoTx	MA	FC	RA	RA	WW	WW	CL	CH			
05	Response	NoTx	MA	FC	RA	RA	WW	WW	CL	CH			
08	Request	NoTx	MA	FC	SF	SF	WW	WW	CL	CH			
08	Response	NoTx	MA	FC	SF	SF	DD	DD	CL	CH			
10	Request	NoTx	MA	FC	RA	RA	NR	NR	NB	DD*	DD*	CL	CH
10	Response	NoTx	MA	FC	RA	RA	NR	NR	CL	CH			
	Exception Response	NoTx	MA	FC +80	EC	CL	CH						

DD\* = (DD DD) times NR (Number of Registers)

## Modbus ASCII Format

FC	Action	Byte Number												
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
03	Request	:	MA	FC	RA	RA	NR	NR	LRC	CR	LF			
03	Response	:	MA	FC	NB	DD*	DD*	LRC	CR	LF				
04	Request	:	MA	FC	RA	RA	NR	NR	LRC	CR	LF			
04	Response	:	MA	FC	NB	DD*	DD*	LRC	CR	LF				
05	Request	:	MA	FC	RA	RA	WW	WW	LRC	CR	LF			
05	Response	:	MA	FC	RA	RA	WW	WW	LRC	CR	LF			
08	Request	:	MA	FC	SF	SF	WW	WW	LRC	CR	LF			
08	Response	:	MA	FC	SF	SF	DD	DD	LRC	CR	LF			
10	Request	:	MA	FC	RA	RA	NR	NR	NB	DD*	DD*	LRC	CR	LF
10	Response	:	MA	FC	RA	RA	NR	NR	LRC	CR	LF			
Exception Response		:	MA	FC +80	EC	LRC	CR	LF						

DD\* = (DD DD) times NR (Number of Registers)

## 7.0 MESSAGE EXAMPLES

All examples are for Transmitter Address = 01 and No Parity.

Ser_4 -> Addr ->	Action	Modbus RTU	Modbus ASCII
		010 001	020 001
Restart Com- munications	Request Response*	010800010000B1CB 010800010000B1CB	:010800010000F6crlf :010800010000F6crlf
Meter Reset	Request Response	01050001FF00DDFA None	:01050001FF00FAcrlf None
Digital Reading ** ***	Request Response	01040003000281CB 010404000009D67C4A	:010400030002F6crlf :010404000009D618crlf
Write Setpoint 1 = +37.00***	Request Response	0110000100020400000E743624 01030400000E74FE74	:0110000100020400000E7466crlf :011000010002ECcrlf
Read Setpoint 1 = +37.00***	Request Response	01030001000295CB 01030400000E74FE74	:010300010002F9crlf :01030400000E7476crlf

\* Suggested as first message after power-up. If transmitter is in Listen-Only mode, no response is returned. \*\* Example while reading +25.18 \*\*\* Decimal point is ignored.

**8.0 INTERNAL REGISTERS:** Please refer to the full Modbus Protocol Communications Manual, which is downloadable from our website.

## 20. CUSTOM ASCII PROTOCOL TRANSMITTER COMMUNICATIONS

### 1.0 SERIAL COMMUNICATION FORMAT

Mode ..... Full Duplex (Separate transmit and receive lines) and Half Duplex (RS485 only)  
Baud Rate ..... 300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200 selectable with Instrument Setup software.  
Parity ..... None  
Word length ..... 8 data bits  
Stop bit ..... 1

The Custom ASCII protocol is simpler than the Modbus protocol. This 5-page manual section provides some of its key programmable features. Our detailed Serial Communications manual can be downloaded from <http://www.laurels.com/downloadfiles/serialcom2.pdf>

### 2.0 MEASUREMENT DATA FORMAT

The basic measurement data format consists of 8 ASCII characters for analog input “DPM” transmitters, such as +999.99<CR>, where <CR> is the carriage return character. The first character is always a plus or minus sign. A decimal point is always furnished, even when it follows the last digit.

**Adding a Line Feed Character to the Basic Format:** Printers and other devices that receive the data may require a line feed character <LF> following the <CR>. The line feed character <LF> may be selected using Instrument Setup software.

**Adding a Coded Data Character to the Basic Format:** A coded character from A to H may be added to the data string according to the table below to indicate the alarm and overload status of the device. If used, this character precedes the <CR>, so that it is the last printable character in the string. With the optional <LF> and coded character selected, the data string will consist of 10 characters for analog input “DPM” transmitters, such as +999.99A<CR><LF>.

Alarm Status	No Overload	Overload
**Neither Alarm set	A	E
Alarm 1 set only	B	F
Alarm 2 set only	C	G
Both Alarms set	D	H

For example, a coded character “G” indicates that Alarm 2 only is set and that the transmitter is in the overload condition. This information is useful when data is supplied to a computer for

listing and analysis, or when data is supplied to a Remote Display in a Master-Slave configuration.

Values are transmitted in a continuous string with no intervening spaces. If the 5th digit in is set to 1 using Instrument Setup software, the termination characters of <CR> and optional <LF> appear after each value. If the 5th digit is set to 0, the termination characters appear only once at the end of the string. In either case, if included, the coded character appears at the end of the last value only.

### 3.0 NETWORK CONFIGURATIONS

Using the Custom ASCII protocol, TM Series transmitters can operate in a point-to-point mode using RS232 or RS485, or in a multi-point mode using RS485.

**The point-to-point mode** is a direct connection between a computer (or other digital device) and the transmitter. Any device address can be selected; however, it is suggested that address 1 be selected as a standard for the point-to-point mode.

**The multi-point mode** is a connection from a host computer to a multiplicity of transmitters bused together with their inputs and outputs connected in parallel. For long cable runs, the last device should have a termination resistor installed. It is necessary to set up each device on the bus with a different address from 1 to 31. To command a particular device, its address is used in conjunction with the command, and only that device responds. The outputs of all of the devices on the bus are set to a high impedance state, except the device being addressed. The device addresses range from 1 to 31, with 0 being a special address to which a meter responds only internally (e.g. Reset), but does not transmit any response on the output lines. All devices may be commanded simultaneously with a 0 address, and there will not be any output response contention. Addressing of transmitters can be set with Instrument Setup software.

### 4.0 COMMAND MODE OVERVIEW

Using the Custom ASCII protocol, TM Series transmitters operate in the Command Mode only. In this mode, the device does not send data automatically, but responds to commands received from a host computer. These commands can be:

- To transmit the latest or peak measurement
- To reset the meter completely or just the peak value and/or latched alarms
- To display a value sent from the computer
- To transmit present setup parameters
- To receive new setup parameters,
- To monitor or alter data in selected memory locations of the meter.

### 5.0 COMMAND MODE FORMAT

#### CHAR 1 - Command Identifier





### Reset Functions, DPM Transmitter

Cold reset	*1C0	Reads NVMEM into RAM locations after RAM is zeroed.
Latched alarms reset	*1C2	
Peak value reset	*1C3	
Remote display reset	*1C4	
Valley reset	*1C9	
Tare function	*1CA	
Tare reset	*1CB	

## 6.0 READING AND WRITING TO RAM AND NONVOLATILE MEMORY

**CHAR 1, 2:** The Recognition character and Meter Address Code are the same as shown in previous table.

**CHAR 3:** Command character:

G	Read bytes from RAM Memory
F	Write bytes to RAM Memory (DPM and Scale meter only)
R	Read bytes from Upper RAM Memory
Q	Write bytes to Upper RAM Memory
X	Read words from Non-Volatile Memory
W	Write words to Non-Volatile Memory

**CHAR 4:** Command character. Sub-command. Number of Bytes of RAM or Words (2 Bytes) of non-volatile memory data being transferred.

Code #	Number	Code #	Number	Code #	Number
1	1	B	11	L	21
2	2	C	12	M	22
3	3	D	13	N	23
4	4	E	14	O	24
5	5	F	15	P	25
6	6	G	16	Q	26
7	7	H	17	R	27
8	8	I	18	S	28
9	9	J	19	T	29
A	10	K	20	U	30

**CHAR 5, 6:** See tables for the RAM MEMORY ADDRESSES and NONVOLATILE MEMORY ADDRESSES with their respective data definitions.

## General, Reading and Writing Ram Memory Data

RAM memory data is read and written as a continuous string of bytes consisting of 2 hex characters (0-9,A-F) per byte. Included in the command are the total number of bytes to be transferred and the most significant address in RAM of the continuous string of bytes. The format is:

Read lower RAM data	*1Gnaa
Write lower RAM data	*1Fnaa<data>
Read upper RAM data	*1Rnaa
Write upper RAM data	*1Qnaa<data>

where: n is the number of bytes to be read or written.  
aa is the most significant address in RAM of the bytes to be read or written.  
<data> is n bytes of 2 hex characters per byte in order from the most to the least significant byte.

The number of bytes n consists of a single code character representing values from 1 to 30 as shown above under CHARACTER 4. The most significant address aa consists of 2 hex characters as shown below under RAM MEMORY ADDRESSES AND DATA DEFINITIONS.

## General, Reading and Writing Nonvolatile Memory Data

Nonvolatile data is read and written as a continuous string of words consisting of 2 bytes or 4 hex characters (0-9,A-F) per word. Included in the command is the total number of words to be transferred and the most significant address in nonvolatile memory of the continuous string of words. The format is:

Read nonvolatile memory data	*1Xnaa (followed by Meter reset)
Write non-volatile memory data	*1Wnaa <data> (followed by Meter reset)

where: n is the number of words to be read or written.  
aa is the most significant address in nonvolatile memory of the words to be read or written.  
<data> is n words of 2 bytes or 4 hex characters per word in order from the most to the least significant address.

The coded number of words n consists of a single character representing values from 1 to 30 as shown under CHARACTER 4. The most significant address aa consists of 2 hex characters as shown under NONVOLATILE MEMORY ADDRESSES.

## 21. SPECIFICATIONS, LTE SERIES ANALOG INPUT TRANSMITTERS

### Mechanical

Case dimensions.....	120 x 101 x 22.5 mm
Case mounting.....	35 mm DIN rail per EN 50022
Electrical connections.....	Detachable screw plug connectors

### Environmental

Operating temperature.....	0°C to 55°C
Storage temperature.....	-40°C to 85°C
Relative humidity.....	95% from 0°C to 40°C, non-condensing

### Power & Electrical

Power to Transmitter.....	85-264 Vac or 90-300 Vdc (DC range is not ETL certified) 12-32 Vac or 10-48 Vdc (low voltage power option)
Power Isolation.....	250 Vrms between power, signal input, analog output, relays, and serial I/O

### Transmitter Setup

Selection of signal ranges & temperature sensors.....	Jumpers on signal conditioner board
Selection of excitation output & analog output.....	Jumpers on main board
Programming.....	Via PC using Instrument Setup software and Ethernet cable

### Analog to Digital Conversion)

Conversion rate.....	60/sec at 60 Hz power, 50/sec at 50 Hz power
Input resolution.....	16 bits (65,536 steps)

### Analog Output (standard)

Output Levels.....	4-20 mA, 0-20 mA or 0-10V
Compliance at 20 mA.....	10V (0 to 500Ω load)
Compliance at 10V.....	2 mA (5 kΩ load or higher)
Output resolution.....	16 bits (65,536 steps)
Output accuracy.....	±0.02% of full span for DC inputs, ±0.1% for AC RMS inputs

### Ethernet I/O (standard)

Serial protocols.....	Modbus (TCP, RTU or ASCII) and Custom ASCII
Serial connector.....	RJ45
Data rates.....	300 to 9600 baud

### Transducer Excitation Output (standard for DC, process, strain, load cell inputs)

Output Isolation.....	± 50 Vdc to meter ground
Selectable levels.....	5 Vdc ± 5%, 100 mA; 10 Vdc ± 5%, 120 mA; 24 Vdc ± 5%, 50 mA

### Dual Relay Output (standard)

Relay type.....	Two solid state relays, SPST, normally open, Form A
Load rating.....	120 mA at 140 Vac or 180 Vdc

### Input Signal Noise Rejection

CMV, DC to 60 Hz.....250V RMS  
 CMR, DC to 60 Hz.....130 dB  
 NMR at 50/60 Hz ..... 90 dB with no digital filtering  
 Input filtering ..... Programmable digital time constants from 80 ms to 9.6 s

### Signal Conditioner Boards

#### DC Volts, Amps, Process, Strain Input

Range	Input Resistance	Input Error
±200.00 mV	1 GΩ	0.01% of FS ± 2 counts
±2.0000 V	1 GΩ	
±20.000 V	10 MΩ	
±200.00 V	10 MΩ	
300.0 V	10 MΩ	
±2.0000 mA	100 Ω	0.1% of FS ± 5 counts
±20.000 mA	10 Ω	
±200.00 mA	1 Ω	
±5.000 A	0.01 Ω	

#### True AC RMS Volts & Amps

Range	Input Resistance	Input Error
±200.00 mV	1 MΩ	0.1% of FS from 0% to 100% of FS, DC or 10 Hz to 10 kHz, 3.0 crest factor.
±2.0000 V		
±20.000 V		
±200.00 V		
±250.0 V		
±2.0000 mA	100 Ω	
±0.000 mA	10 Ω	
±200.00 mA	1 Ω	
±5.000 A	0.01 Ω	

Coupling ..... AC or AC + DC (jumper selectable)

## Load Cell & Microvolt Input

Range	Input Resistance	Input Error
±20.000 mV ±50.000 mV ±100.00 mV ±250.00 mV ±500.00 mV	1 GΩ	0.01% of FS ±2 counts

Max applied voltage ..... 100 V

## RTD Input (1°, 0.1° or 0.01° resolution)

Type	Excitation	Range	Conformity Error
Platinum, Pt100 =.00385 (DIN)	256 μA	-202 to 850°C -331 to 1562°F	0.03°C 0.05°F
Platinum, Pt100 =.003925 (ANSI)	256 μA	-202 to 631°C -331 to 1168°F	0.04°C 0.07°F
Nickel, Ni120 =.00672	256 μA	-80°C to +260°C -112°F to +500°F	±0.05°C ±0.09°F
Copper, Cu10 =.00427	5.0 mA	-97°C to +260°C -143°F to +500°F	±0.05°C ±0.09°F

RTD connection: ..... 2, 3 or 4 wire  
 Span tempco ..... ±0.003% of reading/°C  
 Zero tempco ..... ±0.03 deg/deg  
 Sensor lead resistance tempco per conductor, 2-wire ..... 10 μdeg / Ω / deg up to 10 Ω  
 Sensor lead resistance tempco per conductor, 3 & 4-wire ..... 10 μdeg / Ω / deg up to 100 Ω  
 Over-voltage protection ..... 125 Vac  
 Open sensor indication ..... 0 mA or > 20 mA output, jumper selectable

## Thermocouple Input (1° or 0.1° resolution)

Selection of signal ranges & temperature sensors ..... Via jumpers and software  
 Selection of serial format, excitation output, analog output ..... Via jumpers on main board  
 Programming ..... Via PC using Instrument Setup software and serial cable  
 Input resistance ..... 1 GΩ  
 Input current ..... 100 pA  
 Overall input accuracy ..... ± 0.01% of full span ±2 counts  
 Max lead resistance ..... 1 kΩ max for rated accuracy  
 Span tempco ..... ±0.003% of reading/°C  
 Reference junction tempco ..... ±0.02 deg/deg

Over-voltage protection ..... 125 Vac  
 Open sensor indication ..... 0 mA or > 20 mA output, jumper selectable

Type	Range	Conformity Error
J	-210 to 760°C -347to 1400°F	0.09°C 0.16°F
K	-244 to 1372°C -408to 2501°F	0.10°C 0.17°F
T	0 to 400°C -257 to 0°C 32 to 752°F -430 to 32°F	0.03°C 0.20°C 0.05°F 0.36°F
E	-240 to 1000°C -400 to 1830°F	0.18°C 0.32°F
N	-245 to 1300°C -410 to 2370°F	0.10°C 0.17°F
S	-46 to +68°C -51 to +213°F	0.12°C 0.22°F
R	-45 to 1768°C -49 to 3214°F	0.17°C 0.31°F

**Resistance Input**

Range	Resolution	Excitation	Input Error
0-20.000 Ω	1 mΩ	5 mA	0.01% of range ± 2 counts
0-200.00 Ω	10 mΩ	500 μA	
0-2000.0 Ω	100 mΩ	50 μA	
0-20000 Ω	1 Ω	5 μA	
0-200.00 kΩ	10 Ω	500 nA	
0-2.0000 MΩ*	100 Ω	500 nA	

\* Factory special fixed range

Load connection: ..... 2, 3 or 4 wire  
 Span tempco..... ±0.003% of reading/°C  
 Over-voltage protection ..... 125 Vac  
 Open sensor indication ..... 0 mA or > 20 mA output, jumper selectable