

Using RMC75E and RMC150E Hydraulic Motion Controllers with iQ-R and iQ-F CPUs' Built-In Ethernet V1.10





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FURTHER READING REFERENCE LIST

<u>Mitsubishi – Further Reading Reference List</u>

MELSEC iQ-R Ethernet User's Manual - SH081257ENGI

MELSEC iQ-F Ethernet User's Manual - JY997D56201F

Delta Computer Systems, Inc. - Further Reading Reference List

RMCTools User Manual - DMCP Protocol (http://www.deltamotion.com/pdf/rmctools.pdf)

RMC70 Startup Guide

RMC150 Startup Guide

RMC200 Startup Guide

ATTACHMENTS

Mitsubishi - Attachments

iQ-F_Library.usl -Library file

iQ-R_Library.usl -Library file

iQ-F_Project.gx3 -GX Works3 File

IQ-R_Project.gx3 -GX Works3 File

Delta Computer Systems- Attachments

RMC75MitsuDemo.rmcproj – RMC75E File

1 Introduction

This document describes how to set up a Mitsubishi iQ-R or iQ-F CPU with a built-in Ethernet port to communicate with an RMC75E, RMC150E or RMC200 hydraulic motion controller from Delta Computer Systems, Inc. Delta has created function blocks to make this process easy.

The iQ-R CPUs support up to 16 Ethernet connections while the iQ-F supports 8, and can therefore communicate with up to 16 or 8 RMCs, although typically, some of these connections will be needed for communications with other devices.

Other Mitsubishi modules, such as the QJ71E71-100 and QJ71MT91, also support Ethernet communication with the RMC motion controllers. However, Delta recommends using the CPU's built-in Ethernet port, along with the provided RMC_Read and RMC_Write function blocks, because this requires much less effort.

For Mitsubishi IQ and L CPUs please see please see Delta's previous documentation "Using RMC Motion Controllers with iQ and LCUPUs Built-in Ethernet QSG V1.10".

Requirements

The RMC and PLC must be connected via an Ethernet network. The RMC can communicate with iQ-R and iQ-F CPUs with built-in Ethernet.

The PLC Programming software must be GX Works3.

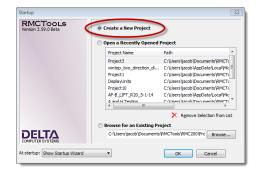
It is assumed the user has basic knowledge of the RMC motion controllers and RMCTools software.

2 RMC Configuration

You must set up the RMC's IP address and Indirect Data Map.

2.1 Connecting to an RMC with RMCTools

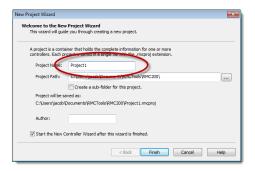
- 1. Install the RMCTools software. RMCTools can be downloaded from www.deltamotion.com.
- 2. Connect a USB cable from your computer to the RMC.
- 3. Start RMCTools.
- 4. In the StartUp dialog, choose **Create a New Project** and click **OK**.

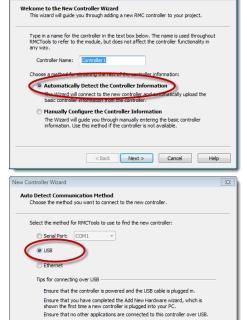


Enter the Project Name and click Finish.
 The New Controller Wizard will open.



7. Choose **USB** and click **Next**.

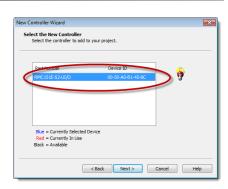


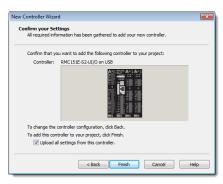


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8. Choose your RMC from the list and click **Next**.

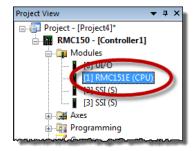
Verify the controller image matches yours, and click Finish.
 RMCTools will connect to the controller and upload all the setting from the controller.



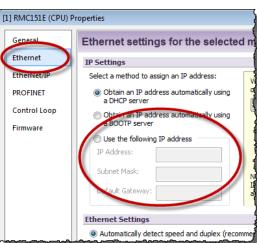


2.2 Configuring the RMC's IP Address

 In the RMCTools Project pane, expand the **Modules** folder and double-click the RMC CPU.



- On the Ethernet page, choose Use the Following IP Address, and set the IP Address and Subnet Mask to values that are compatible with your PLC and network.
- 3. Click **OK**. The changes will be applied.
- 4. On the **Controller** menu, click **Update Flash**. This will save the changes in Flash memory so they will be saved even when power is removed.



2.3 Setting Up the Indirect Data Map

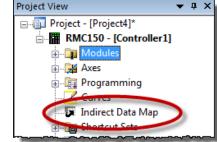
The RMC's Indirect Data Map is very useful for communications with a PLC. Typically, you will want the PLC to read from and write to a number of items (32-bit data registers) in the RMC. These data registers are usually scattered in many different address locations in the RMC. You can map all these items to the Indirect Data Map. The PLC then simply reads and writes from the Indirect Data Map, instead of from many different locations.

The Indirect Data Map is very useful for frequently accessed registers. Larger reads or writes, or less

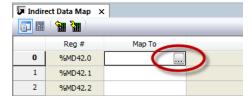
frequent ones, can be done directly instead of via the Indirect Data

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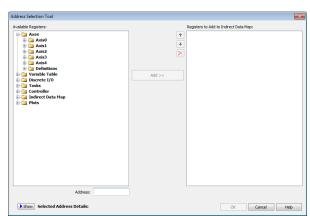
1. In the RMCTools Project pane, double-click Indirect Data Map.



2. In the **Map To** column, click a cell, then click the ellipsis button.

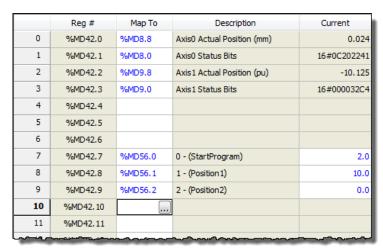


 In the Address Selection Tool, browse to a desired register in the RMC and click Add.
 Repeat for as many registers as you wish, then click OK.



If you plan on using the Indirect Data Map for both reading and writing, it is good practice to set one area of the Indirect Data Map for reading, and the other for writing.

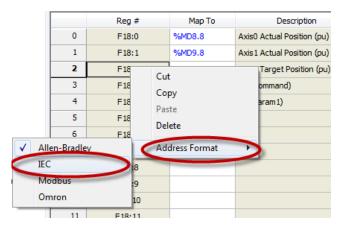
For example, this Indirect Data Map was set up to include Axis 0 and Axis 1 status information in a read area, and some variables in a write area.



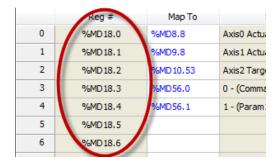
2.4 Understanding RMC Addresses

The RMC's 32-bit data registers can be addressed in several different forms. For the purposes of communications with Mitsubishi PLC's, you should use the IEC form. Wherever an address is displayed in RMCTools, you can right-click and choose the desired format.

For example, in the Indirect Data Map, in the **Reg** column, right-click a cell, point to **Address Format**, and choose **IEC**.



The addresses will now be displayed in IEC format:



Files and Elements

The IEC address of an RMC register has two levels. The first is called the **file** number, the second is called the **element** number. In the Mitsubishi PLC, you will use the file and element numbers when communicating with the RMC.

Example: The address for Indirect Data Item 0 in the RMC75 is **%MD18.0**. The file is 18. The element

Example: The address for variable 7 in the RMC75 is %MD56.7. The file is 56. The element is 7.

Finding Addresses in the RMCTools Help

You can use the RMCTools help to find the address for any register in the RMC:

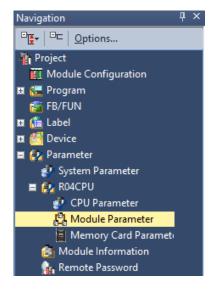
- 1. On the **Help** menu, choose **Help Topics**.
- 2. On the **Index** tab, type **Register Map**, then choose your controller type. This topic lists the addresses of all the registers in the RMC.

3 PLC Configuration

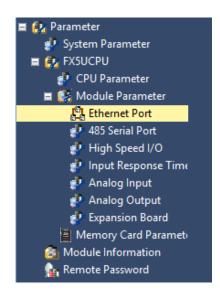
These are the steps to configure the iQ-R to communicate with the RMC.

3.1 Configure the PLC Parameters

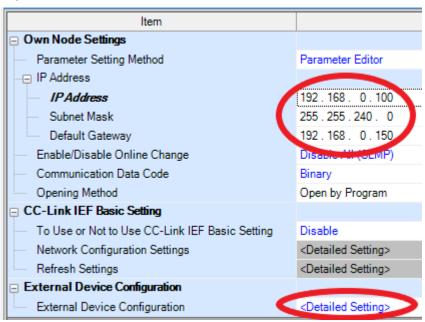
- 1. Open GX Works3 and create a new project for the appropriate CPU module. Choose SFC as the program language.
- 2. For the iQ-R In the Project tree, expand the **Parameter** node, **CPU** node, and double-click **Module Parameter**.



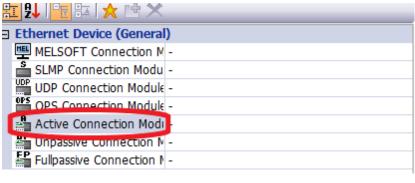
3. For the iQ-F, expand the **Parameter** node, **CPU** node, **Module Parameter** node, and double click **Ethernet Port**.



4. In the **Module Parameter**, set the IP Address, Subnet Mask Pattern, and Default Router IP Address to your desired values

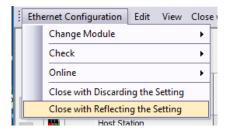


- 5. Click the External Device Configuration < Detailed Settings> button.
- 6. Choose a connection for the RMC. Set the following:
 - a. Click Ethernet Device (General)
 - b. Drag and drop an Active Connection Module under the host station
 - a. Communication Method: Socket Communication
 - b. **Port No**: Set to a hexadecimal value within the range 1 1387 or 1392 FFFE. For example, 1000.
 - c. Sensor/Device IP Address: The IP address of the RMC.
 - d. Sensor/Device Port No: 1324



		Communication Method		Fixed Buffer	PLC		Sensor/Device						
No.	Model Name			Protocol	Send/Receiv e Setting	IP Address	Port No.	MAC Address	Host Name	IP Address	Port No.	Subnet Mask	Default Gateway
	Hook Chair				192.168.0.100								
	Active Connection Module	Socket Communicati	TCP		192.168.0.100	1001			192.168.1.102	1324			KeepAlive
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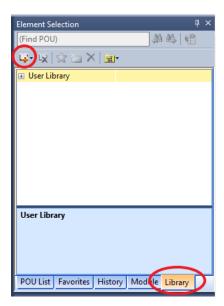
7. Click Ethernet Configuration, then Close with Reflecting the Setting.

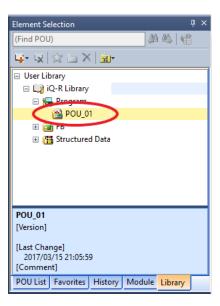


7. Click Apply in the CPU Module Parameter tab

3.2 Add the RMC Read and RMC Write Function Blocks

- 1. On the Project menu, choose Library, then click Install.
 - a. In the Library tab, choose Register Library.
 - b. Brows to the iQ-R or iQ-F Library downloaded from Delta
 - c. Select iQ-R Library or iQ-F Library
 - d. Click User Library → iQ-R Library or iQ-F Library
 - e. Right Click POU_01
 - f. Choose add to project → scan → Main





The RMC_Read, RMC_Write, and RMC_Close function blocks will now appear in the FB/FUN section in your project, and some associated structured data types will have been added.

4 Using the RMC Read and RMC Write Function Blocks

The RMC Read and RMC Write function blocks are used to communicate with the RMC. In this example, the RMC IP Address is 192.168.1.121, using PLC Connection #1 UDP.

4.1 Description of Function Blocks

The RMC Read function block inputs and outputs are as follows:

START (Bit)	The function block will perform one read for each rising edge of the Start bit.
CONN (Word)	The connection number (1-16) as defined in the External Device Configuration Settings.
RMC_FILE (Word) RMC_ELEMENT (Word)	Specify the address in the RMC to read from.
NUM_DW (Word):	The number of 32-bit registers that you wish to read from the RMC. The maximum is 256.
DST_DEV (Word)	The destination device for the data in the PLC. Typically, this is a FLOAT array.
ENABLED (Bit)	Set while the read is in progress. When the read completes, or has an error, the Enabled bit will be cleared.
Done (Bit)	Set when the read successfully completes. This bit is cleared when the function block starts.
Error (Bit)	Set if the read has an error. This bit is cleared when the function block starts.

The **RMC Write** function block inputs and outputs are as follows:

START (Bit)	The function block will perform one write for each rising edge of the Start bit.		
CONN (Word)	The connection number (1-16) as defined in the External Device Configuration Settings.		
SRC_DEV (Word)	The source device of the data in the PLC. Typically, this is a FLOAT array.		
RMC_FILE (Word) RMC_ELEMENT (Word)	Specify the address in the RMC to write to.		
NUM_DW (Word):	The number of 32-bit registers that you wish to write to the RMC. The maximum is 256.		
ENABLED (Bit)	Set while the write is in progress. When the write completes, or has an error, the Enabled bit will be cleared.		
Done (Bit)	Set when the write successfully completes. This bit is cleared when the function block starts.		
Error (Bit)	Set if the write has an error. This bit is cleared when the function block starts.		

Important!

When using multiple function blocks with the same Ethernet connection, it is very important that only one function block is active at a time. Follow the examples below.

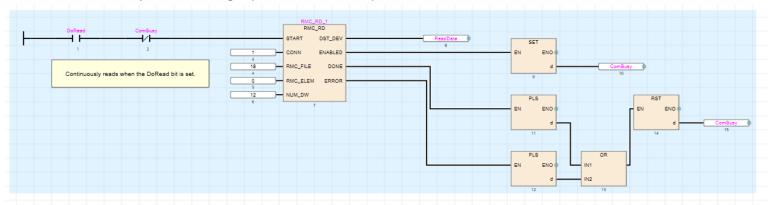
The RMC Read and RMC Write function blocks have a built-in timeout of 0.5 seconds.

RMC Read Function Block: Continuous Reads

Follow these steps in a structured project to use the RMC Read function block to continuously read from the RMC:

- 1. Open a FBD/LD program.
- 2. In the User Library, click the **RMC Read** function block and drag it to the ladder.
- 3. GX Works 3 automatically assigns an instance name (RMC_RD_1), which you can change if you wish. Click **Close**.
- 4. Create logic and add labels as shown below. The ComBusy bit prevents the function block from being triggered while the communication transaction is in progress, and is very important for synchronizing multiple function blocks, which will be demonstrated later.
- 5. Compile the code and write it to the PLC. The communications should start when the DoRead bit is set and continuously read as long as DoRead is set.

Example Ladder Logic (Continuous Reads):



The example uses these labels:

Class		Label Name	Data Type
VAR	•	DoRead	Bit
VAR	•	ReadData	FLOAT (Single Precision)(01023)
VAR	•	RMC_RD_1	RMC_RD
VAR	•	ComBusy	Bit

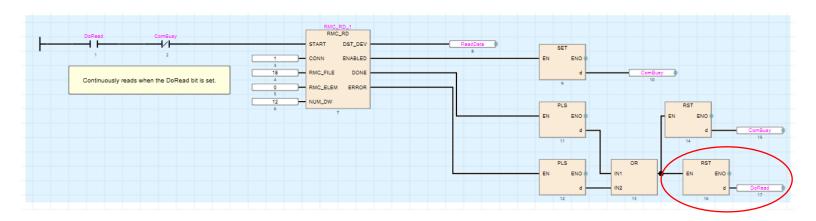
Explanation:

The example function above uses Ethernet connection 1, and will read 12 registers from address %MD18.0 in the RMC, placing the values in the **ReadData** label. When the **DoRead** bit is on, and communications are not in progress (**ComBusy** is off), the function block starts. While it is in progress, the **Enabled** bit is set, which will also set the **ComBusy**, indicating the communication transaction is in progress. When the transaction completes, or has an error, the **ComBusy** bit will be cleared. At this point, the function block is triggered again and the cycle will repeat continuously. The reads will stop if the **DoRead** bit is reset.

4.2

RMC Read Function Block: Single Read

Using the RMC Read function block to perform a single read is nearly identical to the continuous reads method. As compared to continuous reads, the additional code is circled below. The labels are all the same as for the continuous reads method.



Explanation:

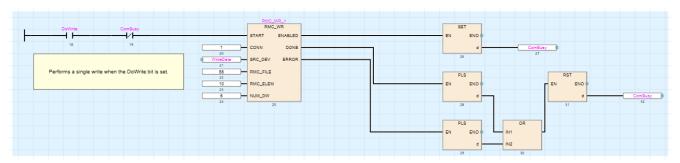
This logic is identical to the previous example, with the difference that when the when the transaction completes, or has an error, the DoRead bit is reset. To perform another read, the DoRead bit must be set.

4.2 RMC Write Function Block: Continuous Writes

Follow these steps in a structured project to use the RMC Write function block to continuously write to the RMC:

- 1. In the User Library, click the **RMC Read** function block and drag it to the ladder.
- 2. GX Works 3 automatically assigns an instance name (RMC_WR_1), which you can change if you wish. Click **Close**.
- Create logic and add labels as shown below. The ComBusy bit prevents the function block from being triggered while the communication transaction is in progress, and is very important for synchronizing multiple function blocks, which will be demonstrated later.

Example Ladder Logic (Continuous Writes):



The example uses these labels:

	Class		Label Name	Data Type	
	VAR	•	DoWrite	Bit	
Ī	VAR	•	WriteData	FLOAT (Single Precision)(01023)	
Ī	VAR	•	RMC_WR_1	RMC_WR	
Ī	VAR	•	ComBusy	Bit	
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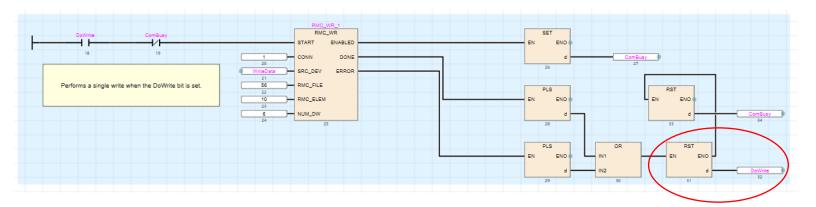
Explanation:

The example function block above uses Ethernet connection 1, and will write 6 registers to address %MD56.10 in the RMC. The source data is in the **WriteData** array.

When the **DoWrite** bit is on, and communications are not in progress (**ComBusy** is off), the function block starts. While it is in progress, the **Enabled** bit is set, which will also set the **ComBusy**, indicating the communication transaction is in progress. When the transaction completes, or has an error, the **ComBusy** bit will be cleared. At this point, the function block is triggered again and the cycle will repeat continuously. The reads will stop if the **DoWrite** bit is reset.

4.3 RMC Write Function Block: Single Write

Using the RMC Write function block to perform a single write is nearly identical to continuous writes. As compared to continuous writes, the additional code is circled below. The labels are all the same.



Explanation:

This example logic is identical to the previous example, with the difference that when the when the transaction completes, or has an error, the DoWrite bit is reset. To perform another read, the DoWrite bit must be set.

4.4 Using Multiple RMC Read and RMC Write Function Blocks

It is very important that for all the function blocks that use the same Ethernet connection, that only one function block is active at a time. To achieve this, use a bit to indicate when the communications are busy. Such a bit can be named ComBusy. This method uses the same logic as shown in the previous examples.

You may add as many reads and writes as you wish, and any of them can be continuous or single.

Example:

- Continuously read items 0-11 from the RMC75E's Indirect Data Map (address %MD18.0)
- Do a single write on demand to variable 10 on the RMC75E (address %MD56.10)
- Do a single write* on demand to Axis 0 Command area in the RMC75E (address %MD25.0)
 *When writing commands, always use single writes. Commands are not intended to be sent continuously.

This example uses the labels:

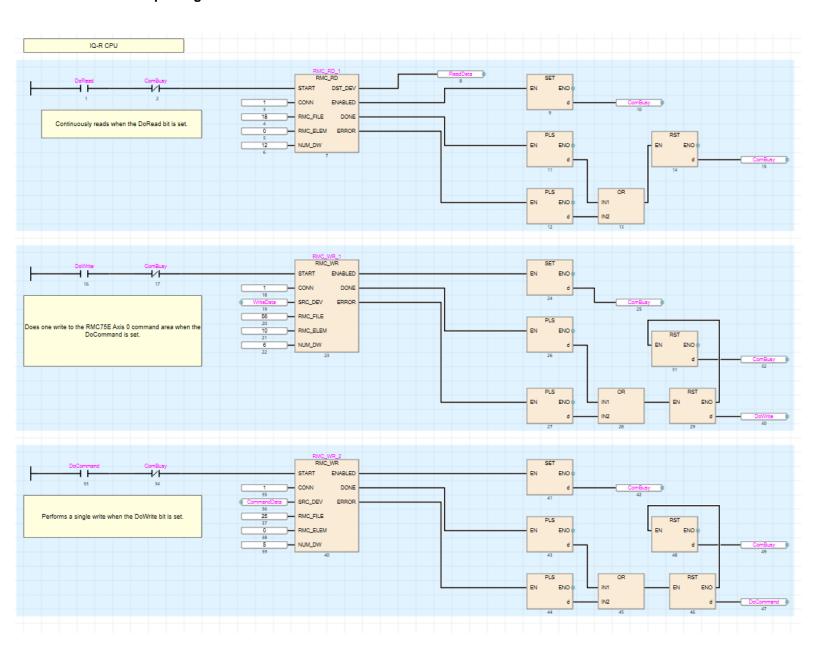
Class		Label Name	Data Type
VAR	•	RMC_RD_1	RMC_RD
VAR	•	DoRead	Bit
VAR	•	ReadData	FLOAT (Single Precision)(01023)
	•		
VAR	•	RMC_WR_1	RMC_WR
VAR	•	DoWrite	Bit
VAR	•	WriteData	FLOAT (Single Precision)(01023)
	•		
VAR	•	RMC_WR_2	RMC_WR
VAR	•	DoCommand	Bit
VAR	•	CommandData	FLOAT (Single Precision)(01023)
	•		
VAR	•	ComBusy	Bit

Explanation:

The RMC_RD_1 function block will continuously read when the **DoRead** bit is set. After each read completes, the **ComBusy** bit is reset, so that if the **DoWrite** or **DoCommand** bits are set, the corresponding RMC_WR_1 or RMC_WR_2 function block will start. Once the write or command is complete, the **ComBusy** is again reset, and the logic continues its cycle.

Ladder Logic on next page →

Example Logic:



4.5 Communicating With Multiple RMC's

When communicating with multiple RMC's, use a separate Ethernet connection (as defined in the Open Connection settings) for each RMC. Each connection must use a unique Host Station Port No. In the ladder logic, use a separate ComBusy bit for each connection.

Example:

An iQ CPU communicates with two RMC75E's, called RMC1 and RMC2. RMC1 uses Ethernet connection 4, and RMC2 uses Ethernet connection 5 (defined in the Module Parameter or Ethernet Port settings). The bits ComBusy1 and ComBusy2 apply to the respective connections.

This example does the following:

- For RMC1, continuously read 12 items from item 0 of the Indirect Data Map (address %MD18.0)
- For RMC1, do a single write on demand to variable 5 (address %MD56.10)
- For RMC2, continuously read 12 items from item 0 of the Indirect Data Map (address %MD18.0)
- For RMC2, do a single write on demand to variable 5 (address %MD56.10)

This example uses the labels:

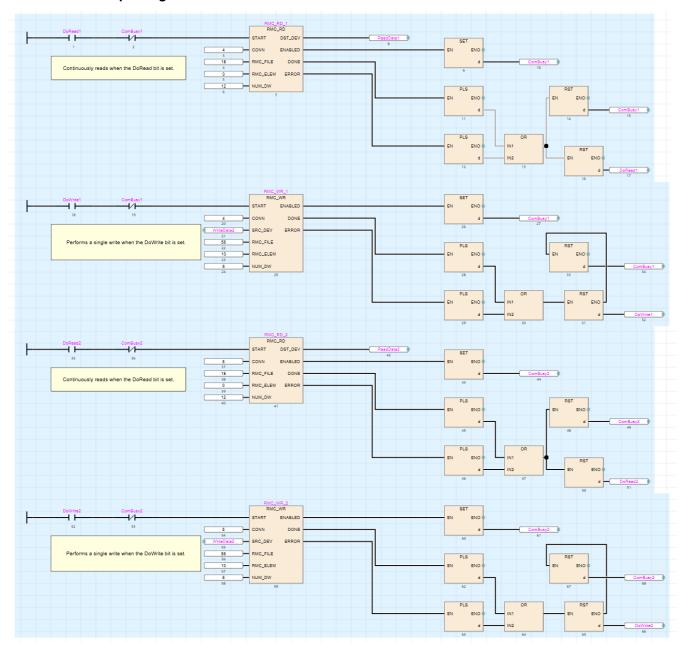
Class	Label Name	Data Type
VAR ▼	RMC1_RD_1	RMC_RD
VAR ▼	DoRead1	Bit
VAR ▼	ReadData1	FLOAT (Single Precision)(010)
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VAR ▼	RMC1_WR_1	RMC_WR
VAR ▼	DoWrit1	Bit
VAR ▼	WriteData1	FLOAT (Single Precision)
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VAR ▼	RMC2_RD_1	RMC_RD
VAR ▼	DoRead2	Bit
VAR ▼	ReadData2	FLOAT (Single Precision)(010)
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VAR ▼	RMC2_WR_1	RMC_WR
VAR ▼	DoWrit2	Bit
VAR ▼	WriteData2	FLOAT (Single Precision)
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VAR ▼	ComBsy1	Bit
VAR ▼	ComBsy2	Bit
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Explanation:

In the program, the first two function blocks communicate with RMC1 and use the **ComBsy1** bit. The last two function blocks communicate with RMC2 and use the **ComBsy1** bit.

Function Block Logic on next page →

Example Logic:



4.6 Mixing Data Types

When using a Mitsubishi PLC to communicate with an RMC, the communicated data can be of type FLOAT (Single Precision) or Double Word.

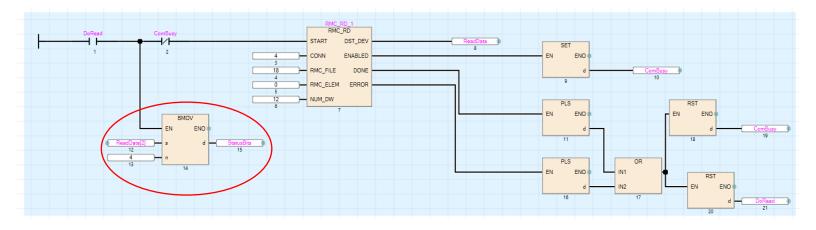
It is possible that the read or write data contains items of both data types. For example, in the following Indirect Data Map, the first two items are REALs, and the last two items are DWORDs. These RMC data types correspond to FLOAT (Single Precision) and Double Word in the Mitsubishi CPU.

	Reg #	Map To	Description	Current
0	%MD18.0	%MD8.8	Axis0 Actual Position (pu)	5.0
1	%MD18.1	%MD9.8	Axis1 Actual Position (pu)	50.000004
2	%MD18.2	%MD8.0	Axis0 Status Bits	16#04002241
3	%MD18.3	%MD9.0	Axis 1 Status Bits	16#04003244
4	0/MD10.4			

Reading these four values with one function block in the PLC will result in an array containing data with different types. The data itself will be correct, but one of the types will be displayed incorrectly. To remedy this, use the BMOV instruction to copy the values to an array of the correct type, or to a label defined by a structured data type.

The example logic below shows logic that reads the shown above in the Indirect Data Map (address %MD18.0). The circled item below is the BMOV that copies the third and fourth items to the label array StatusBits, of type Double Word. Notice that the number of words to copy (K4 in the BMOV instruction below) must be twice the number of registers to copy, because the BMOV is in 16-bit units, and the RMC registers are 32 bits.

	Class		Label Name	Data Type
	VAR	•	RMC_RD_1	RMC_RD
	VAR	•	DoRead	Bit
	VAR	•	ReadData	FLOAT (Single Precision)(010)
	VAR	•	StatusBits	Double Word[Signed](01)
		•		
Ī	VAR	•	ComBusy	Bit
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4.7 Device Usage when Using Multiple Function Blocks

The structured RMC READ and RMC Write function blocks may use an unnecessarily large amount of device points when compiled. This is because the ReadData output of the RMC Read and the WriteData input of the RMC Write are defined to be of arrays of length 256. The tags used with the function blocks must therefore also be of length 256.

For smaller reads and writes, Delta recommends modifying the function blocks to use smaller ReadData and WriteData arrays. If you need a combination of large and small reads and/or writes, you can duplicate the function blocks and rename them to indicate the size. Using a function block with ReadData and/or WriteData arrays that match you communications requirements will prevent wasting the device points in the PLC.

5 Troubleshooting the Communications

This section provides some tips on troubleshooting the communications.

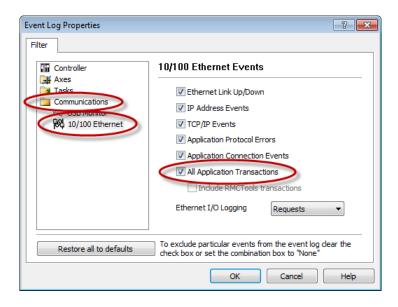
If an error occurs in the communications, check the following:

- 1. Are the PLC and RMC both connected to the network, with correct IP addresses?
- 2. Are the PLC's Built-in Ethernet Open Settings correct?
- 3. Is the function block's connection number (CONN) correct?
- 4. Are the function block's RMC_FILE, RMC_ELEMENT, and NUM_DW inputs correct?

5.1 Event Log in RMCTools

In RMCTools, the primary troubleshooting tool for communications is the Event Log. You can view basic information for each read or write that is performed via the communications. You need to first enable this functionality in the Event Log as follows:

- 1. In RMCTools, in the Project pane, double-click Event Log.
- 2. In the Event Log toolbar, click the Properties button.
- 3. Expand Communications and click 10/100 Ethernet.
- 4. Check the All Applications Transactions box, then click OK.



- 5. The Event Log will now show all the Ethernet communications with to the RMC. For each transaction, the Event Log lists the source, the address, and the number of registers.
- 6. To pause the Event Log, in the Event Log toolbar, click the Pause []] button. To resume it, click the Resume button.

5.2 Advanced Troubleshooting

5.2.1 SP.SOCSEND and SP.SOCRCV Errors

The RMC Read and RMC Write function blocks use the SP.SOCSEND and SP.SOCRCV instructions.

The SP.SOCSEND and SP.SOCRCV instructions may return an error code in the SND_S2 label or RCV_S2 label in the function blocks. For more details, see the SP.SOCSEND and SP.SOCRCV instructions in the MELSEC iQ-R Ethernet User's Manual – SH081257ENGI or MELSEC iQ-F Ethernet User's Manual.

To see the internal errors:

- 1. Open the function block program.
- 2. Register the SND_S2 label or RCV_S2 label to the Watch window. You will be able to see the errors if there are any.

5.2.2 DMCP Errors

The RMC Read and RMC Write function blocks use the SP.SOCSEND and SP.SOCRCV instructions to implement Delta's DMCP protocol.

The DMCP protocol itself may return an error that appears in the RCV_S3.RESP_CODE label. For more details, see the DMCP protocol (UDP) in the RMCTools help.

To see the internal errors:

- 1. Open the function block program.
- 2. Register the SND_S2 label or RCV_S2 label to the Watch window. You will be able to see the errors if there are any.

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