I/O Expansion Module Adapter, Isolated

User Guide EX-A2X

The EX-A2X interfaces between a variety of I/O expansion modules and specific Unitronics' OPLCs.

A single adapter can be connected to up to 8 expansion modules.

The EX-A2X may either be snap-mounted on a DIN rail, or screw-mounted onto a mounting plate.



- Before using this product, it is the responsibility of the user to read and understand this document and any accompanying documentation.
- All examples and diagrams shown herein are intended to aid understanding, and do not guarantee operation. Unitronics accepts no responsibility for actual use of this product based on these examples.
- Please dispose of this product in accordance with local and national standards and regulations.
- Only qualified service personnel should open this device or carry out repairs.

User safety and equipment protection guidelines

This document is intended to aid trained and competent personnel in the installation of this equipment as defined by the European directives for machinery, low voltage, and EMC. Only a technician or engineer trained in the local and national electrical standards should perform tasks associated with the device's electrical wiring.

| Symbols are used to highlight information relating to the user's personal safety and equipment | Symbol | Meaning | Description |
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| | <u>\$</u> | Danger | The identified danger causes physical and property damage. |
| protection throughout this document. When these symbols appear, the | | Warning | The identified danger can cause physical and property damage. |
| associated information must be read carefully and understood fully. | Caution | Caution | Use caution. |

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Failure to comply with appropriate safety guidelines can result in severe personal injury or property damage. Always exercise proper caution when working with electrical equipment.

- Check the user program before running it.
- Do not attempt to use this device with parameters that exceed permissible levels.
- Install an external circuit breaker and take appropriate safety measures against short-circuiting in external wiring.
- To avoid damaging the system, do not connect / disconnect the device when the power is on.

Environmental Considerations

| È | • | Do not install in areas with: excessive or conductive dust, corrosive or flammable gas, moisture or rain, excessive heat, regular impact shocks or excessive vibration. |
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| Â | • | Leave a minimum of 10mm space for ventilation between the top and bottom edges of the device and the enclosure walls. Do not place in water or let water leak onto the unit. |
| | - | Do not allow debris to fall inside the unit during installation. |

UL Compliance

The following section is relevant to Unitronics' products that are listed with the UL.

The following models: IO-AI4-AO2, IO-AO6X, IO-ATC8, IO-DI16, IO-DI16-L, IO-DI8-RO4, IO-DI8-RO4-L, IO-DI8-TO8, IO-DI8-TO8-L, IO-RO16, IO-RO16-L, IO-RO8, IO-RO8, IO-TO16, EX-A2X are UL listed for Hazardous Locations.

The following models: EX-D16A3-RO8, EX-D16A3-RO8L, EX-D16A3-TO16, EX-D16A3-TO16L, IO-AI1X-AO3X, IO-AI4-AO2, IO-AI4-AO2-B, IO-AI8, IO-AI8Y, IO-AO6X, IO-ATC8, IO-D16A3-RO16, IO-D16A3-RO16L, IO-D16A3-TO16, IO-D16A3-TO16L, IO-D16A, IO-D16A, IO-D16A3-RO4, IO-A06X, IO-ATC8, IO-D16A3-RO16, IO-D16A3-RO16L, IO-D16A3-RO16L, IO-D16A3-RO16L, IO-D16A3-RO4, IO-A06X, IO-A06X, IO-ATC8, IO-D16A3-RO16, IO-D16A3-RO16L, IO-D16A3-R

IO-DI8-RO4-L, IO-DI8-RO8, IO-DI8-RO8-L, IO-DI8-TO8, IO-DI8-TO8-L, IO-DI8ACH, IO-LC1, IO-LC3, IO-PT4, IO-PT400, IO-PT4K, IO-RO16, IO-RO16-L, IO-RO8, IO-RO8L, IO-TO16, EX-A2X, EX-RC1 are UL listed for Ordinary Location.

UL Ratings, Programmable Controllers for Use in Hazardous Locations,

Class I, Division 2, Groups A, B, C and D

These Release Notes relate to all Unitronics products that bear the UL symbols used to mark products that have been approved for use in hazardous locations, Class I, Division 2, Groups A, B, C and D.

| Caution | This equipment is suitable for use in Class I, Division 2, Groups A, B, C and D, or Non-hazardous locations only |
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| À | Input and output wiring must be in accordance with Class I, Division 2 wiring methods and in accordance with the authority having jurisdiction. |
| Â | WARNING—Explosion Hazard—substitution of components may impair suitability for Class I, Division 2. WARNING – EXPLOSION HAZARD – Do not connect or disconnect equipment unless power has been switched off or the area is known to be non-hazardous. |
| | WARNING – Exposure to some chemicals may degrade the sealing properties of material used in Relays. This equipment must be installed using wiring methods as required for Class I, Division 2 as per the NEC and/or CEC. |

Relay Output Resistance Ratings

The products listed below contain relay outputs:

Input/Output expansion modules, Models: IO-DI8-RO4, IO-DI8-RO4-L, IO-RO8, IO-RO8L

When these specific products are used in hazardous locations, they are rated at 3A res, when these specific products are used in non-hazardous environmental conditions, they are rated at 5A res, as given in the product's specifications.

Certification UL des automates programmables, pour une utilisation en environnement à risques, Class I,

Division 2, Groups A, B, C et D.

Cette note fait référence à tous les produits Unitronics portant le symbole UL - produits qui ont été certifiés pour une utilisation dans des endroits dangereux, Classe I, Division 2, Groupes A, B, C et D.

Attention

 Cet équipement est adapté pour une utilisation en Classe I, Division 2, Groupes A, B, C et D, ou dans Non-dangereux endroits seulement.
 Le câblage des entrées/sorties doit être en accord avec les méthodes de câblage selon la Classe I, Division 2 et en accord avec l'autorité compétente.
 AVERTISSEMENT: Risque d'Explosion – Le remplacement de certains composants rend caduque la certification du produit selon la Classe I, Division 2.
 AVERTISSEMENT - DANGER D'EXPLOSION - Ne connecter pas ou ne débranche pas l'équipement sans avoir préalablement coupé l'alimentation électrique ou la zone est reconnue pour être non dangereuse.
 AVERTISSEMENT - L'exposition à certains produits chimiques peut dégrader les propriétés des matériaux utilisés pour l'étanchéité dans les relais.

Cet équipement doit être installé utilisant des méthodes de câblage suivant la norme Class I, Division
 2 NEC et /ou CEC.

Certification de la résistance des sorties relais

Les produits énumérés ci-dessous contiennent des sorties relais:

- Modules d'Extensions d'E/S, modèles: IO-DI8-RO4, IO-DI8-RO4-L, IO-RO8, IO-RO8L.
- Lorsque ces produits spécifiques sont utilisés dans des endroits dangereux, ils supportent un courant de 3A charge résistive, lorsque ces produits spécifiques sont utilisés dans un environnement non dangereux, ils sont évalués à 5A res, comme indiqué dans les specifications du produit Plages de températures.

Mounting the Module

DIN-rail mounting

Snap the device onto the DIN rail as shown below; the module will be squarely situated on the DIN rail.





Screw-Mounting

The following figure is not drawn to scale. Mounting screw type: either M3 or NC6-32.



Connecting the OPLC to the EX-A2X

Use the communication cable to connect the module's PLC expansion port to the PLC.

Take care to connect the correct cable. The connectors of this cable are housed in yellow insulation. Note that one end is marked To PLC and the other To Adapter; insert accordingly.

The module is supplied with a 1-meter cable, part number EXL-CAB100. Other cable lengths are also available. Use only an original Unitronics cable and do not make any changes to it.



Connecting Expansion Modules

An adapter provides the interface between the OPLC and an expansion module. To connect the I/O module to the adapter or to another module:

1. Push the module-to-module connector into the port located on the right side of the device.

Note that there is a protective cap provided with the adapter. This cap covers the port of the **final** I/O module in the system.



 To avoid damaging the system, do not connect or disconnect the device when the power is on.

| Component identification | |
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| 1 | Module-to-module connector |
| 2 | Protective cap |



Wiring

| <u>}</u> | • | Do not touch live wires. |
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| | • | Unused pins should not be connected. Ignoring this directive may damage the device. |
| <u>/•</u> | • | Double-check all wiring before turning on the power supply. |
| | • | Do not connect the 'Neutral or 'Line' signal of the 110/220VAC to the device's 0V pin. |
| | • | In the event of voltage fluctuations or non-conformity to voltage power supply specifications, connect the device to a regulated power supply. |
| | - | Double-check all the wiring before turning on the power supply. |

Wiring Procedures

Use crimp terminals for wiring; use 26-12AWG wire (0.13 mm ²-3.31 mm²) for all wiring purposes.

- 1. Strip the wire to a length of 7±0.5mm (0.250–0.300 inches).
- 2. Unscrew the terminal to its widest position before inserting a wire.
- 3. Insert the wire completely into the terminal to ensure that a proper connection can be made.
- 4. Tighten enough to keep the wire from pulling free.
- To avoid damaging the wire, do not exceed a maximum torque of 0.5 N·m (5 kgf·cm).
- Do not use tin, solder, or any other substance on stripped wire that might cause the wire strand to break.
- Install at maximum distance from high-voltage cables and power equipment.

Wiring Power Supply

- 1. Connect the "positive" cable to the "+V" terminal, and the "negative" to the "0V" terminal.
- Always connect the functional earth pin to the earth ground. Use a dedicated wire for this purpose; it must not exceed 1 meter.
- Do not connect the neutral or line signal of the 110/220VAC to the device's 0V pin.
- In the event of voltage fluctuations or non-conformity to voltage power supply specifications, connect the device to a regulated power supply.
- A non-isolated power supply can be used provided that a 0V signal is connected to the chassis.
- Note that both the OPLC and the EX-A2X must be connected to the same power supply. The EX-A2X and the OPLC must be turned on and off simultaneously.



Technical Specifications

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| I/O module capacity | Up to 8 I/O modules can be connected to a single adapter. |
| Power supply | 12VDC or 24VDC |
| Permissible range | 10.2 to 28.8VDC |
| Max. current consumption | 650mA @ 12VDC; 350mA @ 24VDC |
| Typical power consumption | 4W |
| Current supply for I/O modules | 1A max. from 5V (see Note 1) |
| Galvanic isolation | |
| EX-A2X power supply to: | |
| OPLC | port Yes |
| Expansion module | port No |
| Status indicators | |
| (PWR) | Green LED—Lit when power is supplied. |
| (COMM.) | Green LED—Lit when communication is established. |
| Environmental | IP20/NEMA1 |
| Operating temperature | 0° to 50° C (32 to 122°F) |
| Storage temperature | -20° to 60° C (-4 to 140°F) |
| Relative Humidity (RH) | 10% to 95% (non-condensing) |
| Dimensions (WxHxD) | 80mm x 93mm x 60mm (3.15" x 3.66" x 2.362") |
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| Weight | 125g (4.3oz.) |

1. Example: 2 I/O-DI8-TO8 units consume a maximum of 140mA of the 5VDC supplied by the EX-A2X.

Addressing I/Os on Expansion Modules

Inputs and outputs located on I/O expansion modules that are connected to an OPLC are assigned addresses that comprise a letter and a number. The letter indicates whether the I/O is an input (I) or an output (O). The number indicates the I/O's location in the system. This number relates to both the position of the expansion module in the system, and to the position of the I/O on that module. Expansion modules are numbered from 0-7 as shown in the figure below.



The formula below is used to assign addresses for I/O modules used in conjunction with the OPLC.

X is the number representing a specific module's location (0-7). Y is the number of the input or output on that specific module (0-15). The number that represents the I/O's location is equal to:

32 + x • 16 + y

Examples

- Input #3, located on expansion module #2 in the system, will be addressed as I 67, 67 = 32 + 2 • 16 + 3
- Output #4, located on expansion module #3 in the system, will be addressed as O 84, 84 = 32 + 3 • 16 + 4.

EX90-DI8-RO8 is a stand-alone I/O module. Even if it is the only module in the configuration, the EX90-DI8-RO8 is always assigned the number 7.

Its I/Os are addressed accordingly.

Example

 Input #5, located on an EX90-DI8-RO8 connected to an OPLC will be addressed as I 149, 149 = 32 + 7 • 16 + 5

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