### **Ethernet Communications Modules**



### Overview

Ethernet Communications Modules offer features such as:

- High-speed peer-to-peer networking of PLCs
- Fast updates with *Direct*SOFT Programming Software
- High-performance access for Human Machine Interface (HMI), ERP, MES or other Windows-based software
- Industry standard Modbus TCP Client/Server Protocol (H2-ECOM100)
- Free SDK for custom drivers
- Easy setup

The Ethernet Communication (ECOM) Modules represent a price breakthrough for high-speed peer-to-peer networking of PLCs. No longer are you forced to designate a single PLC to be the network master. Any PLC can initiate communications with any other PLC. Link your PLCs with PCs using industry standard Modbus TCP protocol connected through standard cables, hubs, and repeaters. Or, use our KEPDirect I/O Server to link to your favorite HMI/SCADA, data historian, MES or ERP software to DirectLOGIC PLCs. Our Lookout Direct HMI and our DataWorx data collection software include ECOM drivers. Direct SOFT Programming Software

can be used to monitor or update the program in any *Direct*LOGIC PLC on the network.

### Simple connections

Use Category 5 UTP cables or 62.5/125 ST-style fiber optic cables depending on the requirements of your application. Inexpensive UTP cables can be run up to 100 meters between nodes, and fiber optic cables can be run up to 2,000 meters. Fiber optic cables virtually eliminate electrical noise problems. Use repeaters to extend distances and expand the number of nodes.

Our HA-TADP (10/100Base-T) PC network adapter card and E-SW05U Ethernet switch is compatible with the ECOM modules. See the Communications Products section for information on these items.

### **ECOM** starter kit

The H2-ECOM-START gives you everything you need to make your first Ethernet network simple to build. It contains an H2-ECOM module and instruction manual, a network adapter card (PCI) for your PC, a crossover cable, and a Software Product Showcase Demo CD. The CD contains demo versions of our software products that support the ECOM Modules. See the Software Products section for information on the available software packages.







# H2-ECOM100 *IBox* communications instructions

Over 25 Communications *IBox* instructions are available when using the H2-ECOM100 with a DL250-1 or DL260 PLC and *Direct*SOFT5 programming software. These easy-to-use instructions allow you to:

- Enable/disable module DHCP
- Read/write module IP, Gateway and Subnet Mask addresses
- Read/write module ID, Name and Description
- Send E-mail messages
- Read/Write PLC memory to networked Hx-ECOM100 modules
- Read/Write PLC memory to networked Hx-ECOM(-F) modules

See the following page for example Communications *IBox* instructions.

H2-ECOM100 supports the Industry Standard Modbus TCP Client/Server Protocol





<b>Specifications</b>	H2-ECOM	H2-ECOM100	H2-ECOM-F
Communications	10Base-T Ethernet	10/100Base-T Ethernet	10Base-FL Ethernet
Data Transfer Rate	10 Mbps max.	100 Mbps max.	10 Mbps max.
Link Distance	100 meters (328 ft)	100 meters (328 ft)	2,000 meters (6,560 ft)
Ethernet Port	RJ45	RJ45	ST-style fiber optic
Ethernet Protocols	TCP/IP, IPX	TCP/IP, IPX, Modbus TCP, DHCP, HTML configuration	TCP/IP, IPX
Power Consumption	450 mA @ 5VDC	300 mA @ 5 VDC	640 mA @ 5 VDC
Manufacturer	Host Automation Products,	L.L.C.	

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### Modbus TCP support

The H2-ECOM100 supports the industry standard Modbus TCP Client/Server protocol in addition to the standard IP and IPX protocols. This allows the DL205 PLC with an H2-ECOM100 module to serve as a client (master) or as a server (slave) on a Modbus TCP Ethernet network. The H2-ECOM100 can actively issue Modbus commands to other nodes or devices on the Modbus TCP network or simply respond to connected Modbus TCP clients.

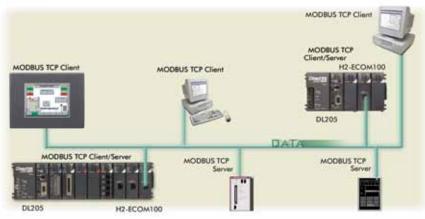
## PLC-to-PLC communications

PLC-to-PLC or PLC to a Modbus TCP device communications can be accomplished using standard Read from Network (RX) and Write to Network (WX) instructions (DL240/250-1/260, all H2 series ECOMs and all DirectSOFT versions). If you're using our new DirectSOFT5 programming software, a DL250-1 or DL260 PLC and an H2-ECOM100, you can use fill-in-the-blank IBox instructions to simplify your communications programming. The H2-ECOM100 supports the ECOM100 Configuration IBox for use with the ECRX and ECWX IBox instructions to read/write to other ECOM(100)s. All H2 series ECOM modules support the NETCFG Configuration IBox for use with the NETRX and NETWX IBox instructions to read/write to other ECOM modules (remember DL250-1/260 and DSOFT5 required). The Communications IBox instructions execute with built-in interlocking to greatly simplify communications programming.

## H2-ECOM100 has e-mail capability!

The H2-ECOM100 Send EMail (ECEMAIL) *IBox* instruction allows the module to behave as an e-mail client and send an SMTP request to your SMTP Server to send a specified e-mail message to the e-mail addresses in the in *IBox's* To: field. The Body: field allows you to embed real-time data in your e-mail message. The DL50-1/260 CPU and *Direct*SOFT5 are required to use the *IBox* instructions.

### Modbus TCP communications architecture



#### **ECOM100 Configuration IBox**

✓X≫		0
ECOM100 Config		
ECOM100		IB-710
ECOM100#	K0	•
Slot	K1	•
Status	V400	•
Workspace	V400	•
Msg Buffer (65 WORDs)	V400	•

### **ECOM100 Read Network IBox**

AUV		0		
ECOM100 RX Network Read				
ECRX		IB-740		
ECOM100#	K0	•		
Workspace	V400	•		
Slave ID	K0	•		
From Slave Element (Src)	C0	•		
Number Of Bytes	K1	•		
To Master Element (Dest)	TA0	•		
Success	C0	•		
Error	CO	•		

#### ECOM100 Send EMail IBox

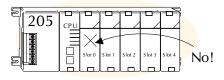
Eddiniod dolla Elliani ibox				
VXX	0			
ECOM100 Send EMail				
ECEMAIL	IB-711			
ECOM100#	K0 •			
Workspace	V400 •			
Success	C0 •			
Error	C1 •			
Error Code	V400 •			
To steve@work.com •				
Subject Machine Offline *				
Body				
"Machine #" V5010:B "went offline at"				
_time:24 "on" _date:us				

### NetEdit3 software

NetEdit3 Software ships free with the ECOM User Manual. Use NetEdit3 to configure the ECOM modules for your network. Flexible addressing allows you to use your choice of protocols and identifying methods. Assign each module a number or a name or both. You don't have to use an IP address, but you can if it's necessary for your network. NetEdit3 uses two protocols for PC-to-PLC communications: IPX and TCP/IP. The NetEdit3 screen displays all identifiers and troubleshooting information for each module on the network. You can use NetEdit3 to adjust parameters for PLC-to-PLC communications by clicking on Advanced Settings. The network identifiers can also changed from **Direct**SOFT Programming Software.

### Choose your slot

The ECOM modules plug into any I/O slot (excluding slot 0) of any local DL205 I/O base. The module maintains identification data, descriptive information, and communication parameters for PLC-to-PLC communications in flash memory. Disconnect power before installing or removing any PLC module.



Note: Use D2-240, D2-250, D2-250-1 or D2-260 CPUs with the ECOM modules. The D2-230 CPU and D2-CM bases do not support the ECOM modules.

Automation

PLC Overview

DL05/06

DL105

DL205 PLC

DL305 PLC

DL405

Field I/O

Software

C-more

Other HMI

AC Drives

Motors

Steppers/ Servos

Motor Controls

Proximity Sensors

Photo Sensors

Limit Switches

Encoders

Current

Pushbuttons/ Lights

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Relays/ Timers

Comm.

TB's & Wiring

Power

Circuit Protection

Enclosures

Appendix

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