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A1SJ71UC24-R4/A1SJ71C24-R4

Computer Link Module

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General-Purpose PROGRAMMABLE LOGIC CONTROLLER

User's Manual

(Hardware)

Thank you for buying the Mitsubishi general-purpose programmable logic controller MELSEC-A Series.

Prior to use, please read this manual thoroughly and familiarize yourself with the product.



MODEL	A1SJ71C24-R4(HW)- U-E
MODEL CODE	13JE52

● SAFETY PRECAUTIONS ●

(Read these precautions before using.)

When using Mitsubishi equipment, thoroughly read this manual and the associated manuals introduced in the manual. Also pay careful attention to safety and handle the module properly.


These precautions apply only to Mitsubishi equipment. Refer to the CPU module user's manual for a description of the PLC system safety precautions. These ● SAFETY PRECAUTIONS ● classify the safety precautions into two categories: "DANGER" and "CAUTION"



Procedures which may lead to a dangerous condition and cause death or serious injury if not carried out properly.



Procedures which may lead to a dangerous condition and cause superficial to medium injury, or physical damage only, if not carried out properly.

Depending on circumstances, procedures indicated by  CAUTION may also be linked to serious results.

In any case, it is important to follow the directions for usage.

Store this manual in a safe place so that you can take it out and read it whenever necessary. Always forward it to the end user.

[DESIGN PRECAUTIONS]

DANGER

- When performing the control of the PLC in operation (especially changing data, program and operation status (status control)) by connecting a personal computer, etc. to the special function module, configure an interlock circuit in a sequence program so the safety of the overall system is always maintained.

Particularly in the above described control for a remote site PLC from an external device, troubles occurring on the PLC side may not be immediately handled due to a data communication error. Construct an interlock circuit in the sequence program and determine between the external device and PLC CPU the system's error handling procedure and other items regarding data communication errors.

CAUTION

- Do not bunch the control wires or communication cables with the main circuit or power wires, or install them close to each other. They should be installed 100 mm (3.9 inch) or more from each other. Not doing so could result in noise that would cause malfunction.

[INSTALLATION PRECAUTIONS]

CAUTION

- Use the PLC in an environment that meets the general specifications contained in this manual. Using this PLC in an environment outside the range of the general specifications could result in electric shock, fire, malfunction, and damage to or deterioration of the product.
- Be sure to switch all phases of the external power supply off when installing or placing wiring. If you do not switch off the external power supply, it will cause electric shock or damage to the product.
- Insert the tabs at the bottom of the module into the mounting holes in the base module, and tighten the module installation screws with the specified torque. If the module is not properly installed it may result in malfunction, failure or fallout.
- Tighten the screw within the range of specified torque. If the screw are loose, it may result in fallout, short circuit or malfunction. Tightening the screws too far may cause damage to the screw and /or the module, resulting in fallout, short circuit or malfunction.
- Do not directly touch the module's conductive parts or electronic components. Doing so could cause malfunction or failure in the module.
- Perform correct pressure-displacement, crimp-contact or soldering for wire connections using the tools specified by the manufactures. Attach connectors to the module securely.

[WIRING PRECAUTIONS]

CAUTION

- Be sure that the communication cable connected to the module is kept in a duct or fixed with cramps.
Failure to do so may cause a damage to the module or cables due to dangling, shifting or inadvertent handling of cables, or misoperation because of bad cable contacts.
- Before connecting the cables, check the type of interface to be connected.
Connection, or erroneous wiring to the wrong interface may damage the module and external device.
- When connecting an external device to RS-422 interface of this module, do not connect a device that must receive power from this module.
The module or external device may be damaged.
- Tighten the terminal screw within the range of specified torque.
If the screws are loose it may result in short circuit or malfunction.
Tightening the screws too far may cause damage to the screw and/or the module, resulting in fallout, short circuit or malfunction.
- Do not grab on the cable when removing the communication cable connected to the module.
When removing the cable without connector, loose the screw on the side that is connected to the module.
Pulling the cable that is still connected to the module may cause malfunction or damage to the module or cable due to bad cable contacts.
- Be sure there are no foreign substances such as sawdust or wiring debris inside the unit.
Such debris could cause fire, damage or malfunction.

[STARTING AND MAINTENANCE PRECAUTION]

⚠ DANGER

- Do not touch the terminals while the power is on.
Doing so may cause malfunction.
- Be sure to switch all phases of the external power supply off before cleaning or re-tightening screws.
If you do not switch off the external power supply, it will cause failure or malfunction of the module.
If the screws are loose, it may result in fallout, short circuit or malfunction.
Tightening the screws too far may cause damage to the screws and/ or the module, resulting in fallout, short circuit or malfunction.

⚠ CAUTION

- Do not disassemble or modify the modules.
Doing so could cause failure, malfunction, injury or fire.
- Be sure to switch all phases of the external power supply off before mounting or removing the module.
If you do not switch off the external power supply, it will cause failure or malfunction of the module.

[OPERATION PRECAUTIONS]

⚠ DANGER

- Do not write data to the "system area" in the buffer memory of the special function module.
Also, do not output (or turn on) a "use prohibited/cannot be used" signal from the PLC CPU to the special function module. If data is written to the "system area" or if the "use prohibited/cannot be used" signal is output, there is a risk that the PLC system will operate incorrectly.

 **CAUTION**

- Before performing the control of the PLC in operation (especially changing data, program and operation status (status control)) by connecting a personal computer, etc. to the special function module, read User's Manual (Com. link func. /Print. func.) carefully and confirm if the overall safety is maintained.

Failure to perform correct operations to change data, program or the status may result in system malfunction, machine damage or an accident.

[DISPOSAL PRECAUTIONS]

 **CAUTION**

- When disposing the product, treat it as industrial waste.

About This Manual

The following product manuals are available. Please use this table as a reference to request the appropriate manual as necessary.

Related Manual

Manual Names	Manual No. (Model Code)
Computer Link Module Guide Book	SH-3510 (13JE76)
Computer Link Module (Com. link func./Print. func.) User's Manual	SH-3511 (13JE77)

When using this module, be sure to read Computer Link Module User's Manual (Com. link func./Print. func.) as well as this manual.

A1SJ71UC24-R4 computer link function is the same as AJ71UC24.

When you refer to the following manual to use A1SJ71UC24-R4, replace the module model name to refer.

- Computer Link Module User's Manual (Com. link func./Print. func.) Version C or before

AJ71UC24 → A1SJ71UC24-R4

Correspondence to EMC DIRECTIVE

To make the PLCs compliant with the EMC directive, refer to Chapter 2 "EMC AND LOW-VOLTAGE DIRECTIVE" in the PLC user's manual (Hardware).

- When the PLC CPU user's manual (Hardware) does not include Chapter 2 "EMC AND LOW-VOLTAGE DIRECTIVE", refer to QnA Series CPU Compatible High Speed Accessing Basic Base Unit --Additional Explanation for Product Conforming to EMC Standards (IB-68837)(optional).

1. Overview

This manual is intended for installing the computer link module and performing wiring for external devices.

After unpacking the module, check that the following products are included:

Model name	Item name	Quantity
A1SJ71UC24-R4	A1SJ71UC24-R4 computer link module	1
	Terminal resistor for RS-422 communication 330 Ω 1/4 W (orange-orange-brown)	2
	Terminal resistor for RS-485 communication 110 Ω 1/2 W (brown-brown-brown)	2
A1SJ71C24-R4	A1SJ71C24-R4 computer link module	1
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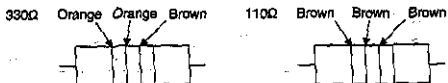
* In the explanation hereafter, the computer link/multi-drop link module is abbreviated as the "C24" except when differentiate specially.

* The following accesses to the PLC CPU with a dedicated protocol of the computer link function are possible by using A1SJ71UC24-R4.

- Access to the device extended by AnACPU, AnUCPU and A2US(H)CPU.
- Access to the other stations via MELSECNET/10.

Other specifications are the same as A1SJ71C24-R4.

* Differentiate the terminal resistors as follows:



2. Transmission Specifications

The following table indicates the transmission specifications when using the C24 computer link function.

For general specifications of the UC24, see the user's manual for the CPU module used.

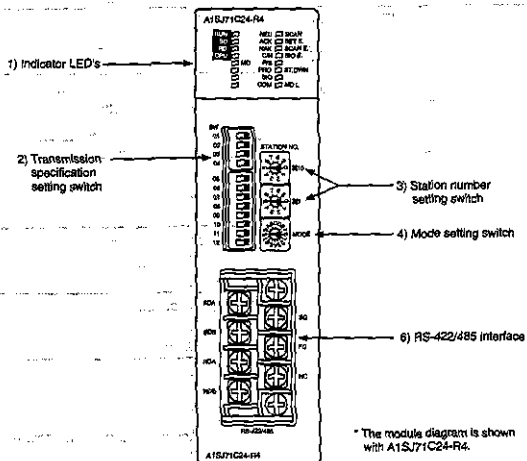
Item		Specification	
Interface		Conform to RS-422/485	
Transmission method	Dedicated protocol	Half duplex communication method *1	
	No protocol/ Bidirectional	1:1 connection	Full duplex communication method
		1:n, m:n connection	Half duplex communication method
Synchronization system		Start-stop synchronization method	
Transmission speed		300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200 bps (Selected via the switch)	
Data format	Start bit	1	
	Data bit	7 or 8	Selected via the switch
	Parity bit	1 or none	
	Stop bit	1 or 2	
Access cycle		Processing for one request is performed during the END processing of the sequence program. Therefore, the access cycle is one scan time.	
Error detection		Parity check yes (odd/even) or no Sum check yes or no	
DTR/DSR control (ER/DR)		No	
X ON/OFF control (DC1/DC3)		Yes/No (selected by setting to the buffer memory)	
Line configuration (external device: PLC CPU)	Dedicated protocol	1:1, 1:n, m:n	
	No protocol	1:1, 1:n	
	Bidirectional	1:1	
Transmission distance		RS-422/485 Overall distance 500m (1640 ft.) or less	
Current consumption		5VDC 0.1A	
Occupied I/O points		32 points *2	
Weight		0.25 kg(0.56 lb.)	

*1 When data communication can be performed using the full duplex transmission method, this transmission method is used whenever the on-demand function is used.

*2 When performing I/O assignment using the GPP function, set as special 32 points.
The model name to register when using the dedicated commands, the following model name should be set depending on C24 and PLC CPU mounted to C24.

PLC CPU mounted to C24	Types of C24 to mount	
	AnUCPU	A1SJ71UC24-R4
AnACPU	A1SJ71UC24	AJ71C24S3
Other than AnU/AnACPU	AJ71C24S3	
	(Model name setting is not necessary as the dedicated command cannot be used.)	

3. Name of Each Part and Setting



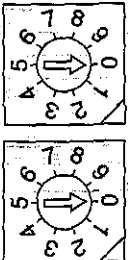
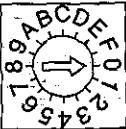
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		SD	Transmission status Data being transmitted : flashing
		RD	Reception status Data being received : flashing
		CPU	Communication Status with CPU main module. Communicating with PLC CPU : flashing
		MD	Multi-droplink Multi-droplink : lit Computer link : unit
		NEU	Neutral status Transmission sequence initial status (waiting for ENQ) : lit ENQ reception complete : unlit

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			ACK transmitted	. lit
			NAK transmitted	unlit
		NAK	NAK transmission status	
			NAK transmitted	. lit
			ACK transmitted	unlit
		C/N	Result of communication with PLC CPU	
			Error in communication with the PLC CPU	: lit
			Normal communication	: unlit
		P/S	Parity/sum check error	
	Parity/sum check error	lit		
	Normal	: unlit		
PRO	Protocol error			
	Normal protocol error	lit		
	Normal	: unlit		
SIO	SIO error			
	When overrun or framing error	lit		
	When received data has been discarded due to OS receive area full	. lit		
	Normal	: unlit		
COM	Computer link			
	Computer link or multi-drop link (local station)	. lit		
	Multi-drop link (master station)	unlit		

Number	Name	Contents			
2)	Transmission specification setting switch 	Transmission specification settings (all are set to OFF at the time of shipment)			
		SW	Setting item	Status	
				ON	OFF
		01	Not used	---	---
		02	Computer link/multi-drop link selection	Computer link	Setting impossible
		03	Not used	---	---
		04	Setting for write during RUN	Enabled	Disabled
		05	Transmission speed setting	See *1	
		06			
		07			
		08	Data bit setting	8 bits	7 bits
		09	Setting for the use of parity bit	YES	NO
		10	Even/odd parity setting	Even	Odd
11	Stop bit setting	2 bits	1 bit		
12	Setting for the use of sum check	YES	NO		

*1- Transmission speed settings

Setting switch	Transmission speed (unit: bps)							Setting prohibited
	300	600	1200	2400	4800	9600	19200	
SW05	OFF	ON	OFF	ON	OFF	ON	OFF	ON
SW06	OFF	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	ON
SW07	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	ON	ON	ON

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3)	Station number setting switch 	Module station number setting (set to 00 at time of shipment) <Setting range> 00 to 31 X10 — set the station number ten's place. X1 — set the station number unit's place																								
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5)	RS-422/485 interface	RS-422/485 interface for external device connection																								

4. Loading and Installation

This section explains precautionary items regarding handling of the C24 from unpacking up to installation, and the installation environment that are common to all modules.

See the user's manual for the PLC CPU module used for further details regarding module loading and installation.

4.1 Precautionary Items when Handling

The following explains precautionary items when handling the module:

- (1) Do not drop or apply severe shock to the module case since it is made of resin.
- (2) Tighten the module installation screws within the specified torque range as follows:

Screw Area	Tightening Torque Range
RS-422 / 485 terminal block terminal screws (M3.5 screw)	59 to 88N · cm (6 to 9kgf · cm) (5.2 to 7.8lb · inch)
Module installation screws (M4 screw)	78 to 118N · cm (8 to 12kgf · cm) (6.9 to 10.4lb · inch)
RS-422 / 485 terminal block installation screws (M3.5 screw)	49 to 78N · cm (5 to 8kgf · cm) (4.3 to 6.9lb · inch)

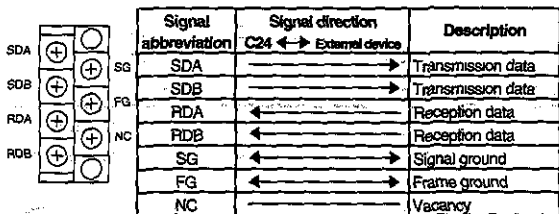
4.2 Installation Environment

Avoid the following conditions for the installing location of the AnS Series PLC:

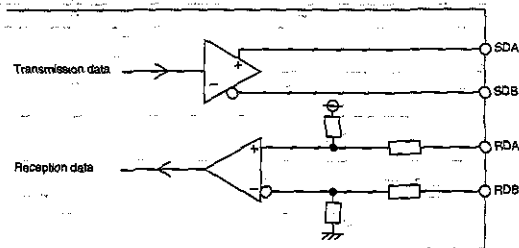
- (1) Location where the ambient temperature exceeds the range of 0 to 55 °C.
- (2) Location where the ambient humidity exceeds the range of 10 to 90% RH.
- (3) Location where condensation occurs due to a sudden temperature change.
- (4) Location where corrosive or inflammable gas exists.
- (5) Location where a lot of conductive powdery substance such as dust and iron filing, oil mist, salt, or organic solvent exists.
- (6) Location exposed to direct sunlight.
- (7) Location where strong electric fields or magnetic fields form.
- (8) Location where vibration or impact is directly applied to the main module.

5. External Wiring

The standard method for connecting the RS-422/485 line is shown below:



(Function block diagram for the C24)



Point


If the C24 serves as the first or the last station on the RS-422/485 line, connect a terminal resistor as shown below to the RS-422/485 interface according to the communication specification.

When a terminal resistor is not connected, an error may result during data communication.

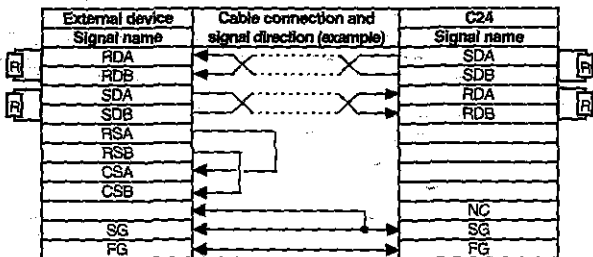
- For RS-422 communication 330 Ω, 1/4W
- For RS-485 communication 110 Ω, 1/2W

(1) When an external device and the C24 are connected in 1:1 or 1:n, connect a terminal resistor between SDA and SDB as well as between RDA and RDB.

(2) When an external device and C24 are connected in m:n, connect a terminal resistor between RDA and RDB.

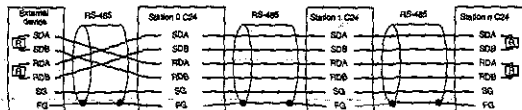
The  in the following wiring diagram represents a terminal resistor.

- (1) Example of connecting external devices and C24 by 1:1



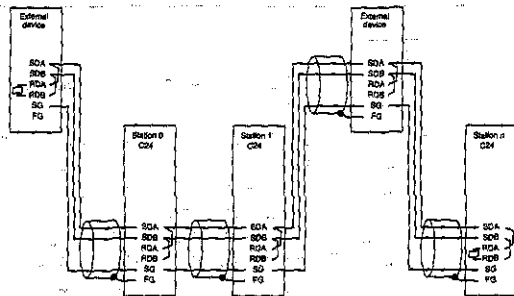
- (2) Example of connecting external devices and C24 by 1:n

* Connecting external devices and C24 modules via RS-485

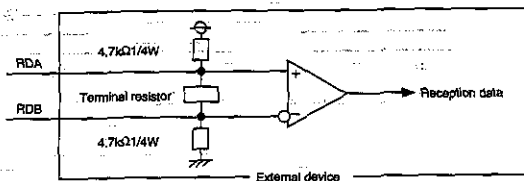


- (3) Example of connecting external devices and C24 by m:n

* Connecting external devices and C24 modules via RS-485



- (4) Countermeasure for data reception errors in the external device with the RS-422 or RS-422/485 connection
- During data communication with external devices via C24 RS-422/485 interface, if there is a possibility that the external device receives an error data, install pull-up and pull-down resistors to the external device side (about $4.7\text{k}\Omega$, $1/4\text{ W}$ as a reference of resistor value).
- Installation of pull-up and pull-down resistors will prevent data reception errors.



Point

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Remarks

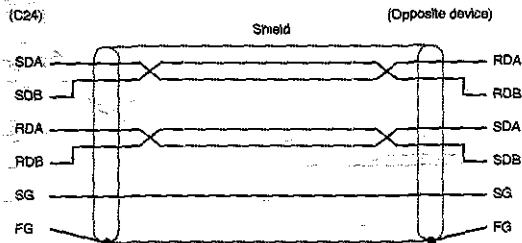
The following explains the case in which pull-up and pull-down resistors are not installed to the external device:

- 1) When none of the stations are receiving, the transmission line is in a state of high impedance, causing the transmission line to become unstable due to noise and a possibility that the data will be received incorrectly at the external device. When this happens, a parity error or framing error is likely to occur. Therefore, skip the data when the error has occurred.
- 2) For data communication using the dedicated protocol, the first data will be determined based on the format used by the user. Skip the data received prior to the first data as determined.

(5) Precautionary items when wiring

- 1) When connecting the SG and FG signals of the C24 to an external device, follow the specification of the external device.
- 2) If data communication cannot be performed normally due to external noise even if the wiring is done according to this section, perform wiring as follows:

(Connect nA and nB in each signal of the connector cable as a pair.)

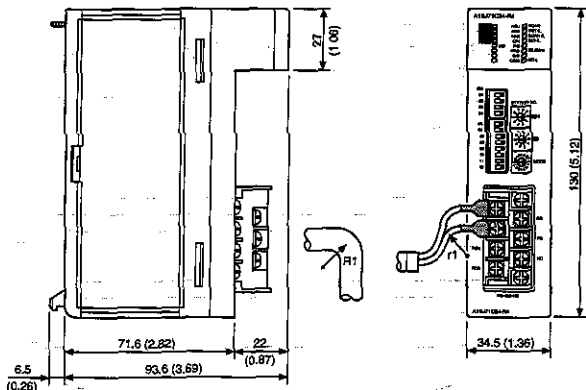


- * When data communication cannot be performed normally even if this wiring is done, connect the connector cable shield to either one of the FG terminals on the connected device. (when connect to the external device, refer to the handling manual of the external device.)

Point

- (1) In the explanation of the terminal resistor setting/connection in this section, when an RS-232C - RS-422 converter or other equipment is used for the device which serves as either of the line terminating stations, setting and wiring for a terminal resistor is required on the converter (or the equipment).
- (2) The devices connected to the C24's RS-422/RS485 interface must use all RS-422 or all RS-485, including 1:n and m:n connections.

6. External Dimensions



(unit: mm (inch))

R1 (Bending radius near terminal block)

r1 (Bending radius near crmp contact)

Cable diameter \times 4

Can be connected in a range without extreme bend

External dimensions of A1S71UC24-R4 and A1SJ71C24-R4 are the same. The diagram above is of A1SJ71UC24-R4 external dimensions.

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