



**FX0N-3A SPECIAL FUNCTION BLOCK** 

**Installation Manual** 

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This manual contains text, diagrams and explanations which will guide the user in the correct installation and operation of the FX0N-3A special function block and should be read and understood before attempting to install or use the unit. Further information can be found in the FX PROGRAMMING MANUAL(II), FX<sub>0N</sub> /FX<sub>1N</sub>/FX<sub>2N</sub>/FX<sub>2NC</sub> SERIES HARDWARE MANUAL.

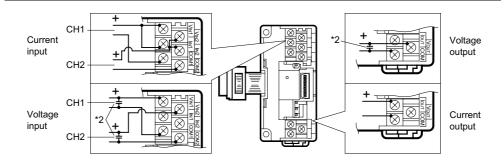
## 1. Introduction

- The FX0N-3A analog special function block has two input channels and one output channel. The input channels receive analog signals and convert them into digital values. The output channel takes a digital value and outputs an equivalent analog signal. The FX0N-3A has a maximum resolution of 8 bits.
- · The selection of voltage or current based input/output is decided by user wiring.
- An FX0N-3A can connected to the FX2N, FX2NC, FX1N or FX0N series of Programmable Controllers (Hereafter referred to as a PLC).
- All data transfers and parameter setups are adjusted through software control for the FX0N-3A, via TO/FROM applied instructions in the PLC. Communications between the PLC and FX0N-3A are protected by a photo-coupler.
- An FXoN-3A occupies 8 I/O points on the PLC's expansion bus. The 8 I/O points can be allocated from either inputs or outputs.

#### Mass: Approx. 0.2kg (0.44lbs) Dimensions: mm (inches) 35mm Extensior Ī DIN rail cable (3.54) 15) groove 0 ю. 80 6 Mounting hole 2 holes 4.5 <u>سی</u> (0.18) dia M3 (0.12) 9 (0.35) 4 (0.16) terminal screws 87 (3.43) 43 (1.69)

#### **1.1 External Dimensions**

## 2. Terminal layouts and wiring



- When a current input is used, ensure that the terminals marked [VIN\*1] and [IIN\*1] are linked. Do not connect the [VOUT] and [IOUT] terminals when the current output is used.
  \*1 terminal number 1 or 2 is identified here.
- If any voltage ripple is experienced on the voltage inputs/outputs or if there is excessive electrical noise, connect a capacitor of 0.1 to 0.47µF, approx. 25V rating at position \*2.

## 3. Connection with PLC

- Up to 4 FXoN-3A units can connect to the FXoN series PLC, up to 5 for FX1N, up to 8 for FX2N or, up to 4 for an FX2NC series PLC, all with powered extension units. However the following limitation exists when the undermentioned special function blocks are con-
- nected.
- FX2N: Main unit and powered extension units of 32 I/O points or less. Consumption current available for undermentioned special function blocks ≤ 190mA
- FX2N: Main unit and powered extension units of 48 I/O points or more. Consumption current available for undermentioned special function blocks ≤ 300mA

FX2NC: Up to 4 undermentioned special function blocks can be connected regardless of the system I/O.

FX0N/1N: Main unit and powered extension units. Up to 2 undermentioned special function blocks can be connected regardless of the system I/O.

|   | FX2N-2AD | FX2N-2DA | FXON-3A |
|---|----------|----------|---------|
| Consumption current of 24V DC for one unit. | 50mA     | 85mA     | 90mA    |

The consumption current of the above units is to be subtracted from the service power supply of the host PLC.

- FXoN-3A consumes 5V DC by 30mA. The total 5V consumption of all special function blocks connected to either the FX2N or FX2NC main unit or an FX2N extension unit must not exceed the 5V voltage source capacity of the system.
- 3) The FXoN-3A and main unit are connected by a cable on the right of the main unit.

### 4. Installation notes and Usage

#### 4.1 General and Environmental Specifications

| Item  | Specification  |
|---|--|
| General specifications<br>(ex. withstand voltage) | Same as those for the main unit  |
| Withstand Voltage                                 | 500V AC for 1 minute (between ground and all other terminals)  |
| Analog circuit power requirement                  | 24V DC +/- 10%, 90mA (internal power supply from main unit)  |
| Digital circuit power requirement                 | 5V DC, 30mA (internal power supply from main unit)   |
| Isolation   | Photo-coupler isolation between analog and digital circuit.<br>No isolation between analog channels. |
| Number of occupied I/O points                     | 8 I/O points from expansion bus. (either input or output)  |

#### 4.2 Performance Specifications

|                                       | Voltage input   | Current input   |  |  |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                       | At shipment, 0 to 250 range selected for 0 to 10V DC input.<br>When using an $FX_{0N}$ -3A for current input or differing voltage inputs except 0 to<br>10V DC, it is necessary to readjust the offset and gain.<br>The module does not allow different input characteristics for two channels. |   |  |  |
| Analog input range                    | 0 to 10V, 0 to 5V DC, resistance $200k\Omega$ . Warning: this unit may be damaged by input voltages in excess of -0.5V, +15V. 4 to 20mA, resistance $250\Omega$ . Warning this unit may be damaged by input currents in excess of -2mA, +60mA   |   |  |  |
| Digital resolution                    | 8 t   | bits  |  |  |
| Smallest input sig-<br>nal resolution | 40mV: 0 to 10V/0 to 250(At shipment)<br>Change depending on the input<br>characteristic.  | 64μA: 4 to 20mA /0 to 250<br>Change depending on the input<br>characteristic. |  |  |
| Overall accuracy                      | ± 0.1V  | ± 0.16mA  |  |  |
| Processing time                       | TO instruction processing time x 2 + FR   | OM instruction processing time  |  |  |
| Input characteristics                 | [At shipment]<br>255<br>250<br>ANALOG INPUT VOLTS<br>The module does not allow different input  | G INPUT VOLTS ANALOG INPÚT mA   |  |  |
|                                       | The module does not allow different inpu  | at characteristics for two channels.  |  |  |

|                                   | Voltage output   | Current output  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| Analog output range               | At shipment, 0 to 250 range selected for 0 to 10V DC output.<br>When using an FX <sub>0N</sub> -3A for current output or differing voltage output except 0 to 10V DC, it is necessary to readjust the offset and gain.   |   |  |  |
|                                   | DC 0 to 10V, 0 to 5V external load: 4 to 20mA, external load: $500\Omega$ or $1k\Omega$ to $1M\Omega$  |   |  |  |
| Digital resolution                | 81   | pits  |  |  |
| Smallest output signal resolution | 40mV: 0 to 10V/0 to 250(At shipment)<br>Change depending on the input<br>characteristic.   | 64μA: 4 to 20mA /0 to 250<br>Change depending on the input<br>characteristic. |  |  |
| Overall accuracy                  | ± 0.1V   | ± 0.16mA  |  |  |
| Processing time                   | TO instruction processing time x 3   |   |  |  |
| Output<br>characteristics         | [At shipment]<br>[At shipment]<br>[10.2 V<br>[10.2 V<br>[10.2 V]<br>[10.2 V] | ts is used, only the lower 8 bits will be                                     |  |  |

## 5. Allocation of Buffer Memories (BFM)

When FNC176(RD3A) and FNC177(WR3A) are used with FX<sub>1N</sub>,FX<sub>2N</sub> (V3.00 or more) or FX<sub>2NC</sub> (V3.00 or more), the allocation of the buffer memory (BFM) need not be considered.

| BFM<br>No.    | b15-b8   | b7  | b6 | b5 | b4 | b3           | b2           | b1             | b0 |
|---------------|--|---|----|----|----|--------------|--------------|----------------|----|
| 0             | Reserved Current value input data (stored in 8 bits) of the A/D channel selected by b0 of BFM#17 |   |    |    |    |              | of BFM#17    |                |    |
| 16            | neserveu   | Current value output data on D/A channel (stored in 8 bits) |    |    |    |              |              |                |    |
| 17            | Reserved   |   |    |    |    | D/A<br>start | A/D<br>start | A/D<br>channel |    |
| 1-5,<br>18-31 | Reserved   |   |    |    |    |              |              |                |    |

• BFM 17:

b0 = 0 analog input channel 1 is selected

b0 = 1 analog input channel 2 is selected

b1 = 0  $\Rightarrow$  1, the A/D conversion process is started

b2 = 1  $\Rightarrow$  0, the D/A conversion process is started

Note: These buffer memory devices are stored/located within the FXoN-3A

### 6. Diagnostics

#### 6.1 Preliminary Checks

- a) Check whether the input/output wiring and/or expansion cables are properly connected.
- b) Check that the system configuration rules for the host PLC have not been broken.
- c) Ensure that the correct operating range has been selected for the application.
- d) As the status of the PLC changes (RUN ⇔ STOP, STOP ⇔ RUN, etc.), the analog output status will operate in the following manner.

#### Status change of the host PLC:

- RUN ⇔ STOP: The last operational value used by the analog output channel during RUN operation is retained during STOP mode.
- e) Remember that only 8 bit digital values (0 to 255) are valid for use with the analog output of the FXoN-3A

## 7. Change and adjustment method of input/output characteristic

#### 7.1 Change in input/output characteristic

At shipment, 0 to 250 range selected for 0 to 10V DC input/output.

When using an FXoN-3A for current input/output or differing voltage input/output except 0 to 10V DC, it is necessary to readjust the offset and gain.

The module does not allow different input characteristics for two channels.

Set analog values from 0 to 250 digital equivalent within the range specified in the table below when changing the input/output characteristic.

Range of allowance of input/output characteristic

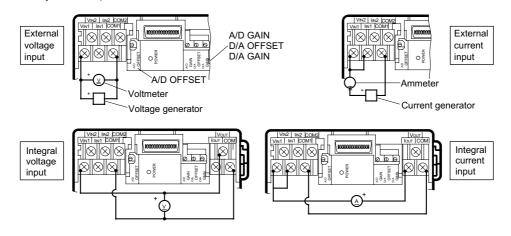
|  | Voltage<br>input | Current<br>input | Voltage<br>output | Current<br>output |
|--|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Analog value when digital value is 0   | 0 to 1V          | 0 to 4mA         | 0V                | 4mA               |
| Analog value when digital value is 250 | 5 to 10V         | 20mA             | 5 to 10V          | 20mA              |

Resolution changes depending on the set value when the input/output characteristic is changed. Example: Resolution becomes (5 to 0V)/250=20mV at voltage input 0 to 5V/0 to 250. Overall accuracy does not change. (Voltage input: ±0.1V, Current input: ±0.16mA)

7.2 Method of Calibration(A/D)

Both analog input channels share the same 'setup' and configuration. Hence only one channel needs to be selected to perform the calibration for both analog input channels.

Use the following program and the appropriate wiring configuration to calibrate input channel 1 (and indirectly channel 2) of the FXoN-3A.



#### 7.2.1 Input Calibration Program

| X02 | то   | K0 | K17 | H00 | K1 | Ц |
|-----|------|----|-----|-----|----|---|
|     |      |    | K17 |     |    |   |
|     |      |    |     |     |    |   |
| l   | FROM | K0 | K0  | D0  | K1 | H |

#### 7.2.2 Calibrating the Offset

- 1) Run the previously detailed program. Ensure X02 is ON.
- 2) Generate an offset voltage/current (in accordance with the analog operation range to be selected, see table below) using the selected generator or analog output.
- Adjust the A/D OFFSET potentiometer ('pot') until a digital value of 1 is read in D00. Note : Turn the 'pot' clockwise and the digital value will increase. The 'pot' requires 18 revolutions to move between the minimum and maximum settings.

| Analog input range       | 0-10V DC | 0-5V DC | 4-20mA DC |
|--------------------------|----------|---------|-----------|
| Offset calibration value | 0.040V   | 0.020V  | 4.064mA   |

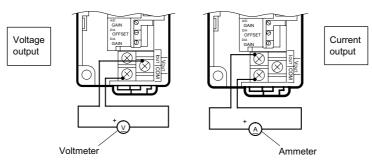
#### 7.2.3 Calibrating the Gain

- 1) Run the previously detailed program. Ensure X02 is ON.
- 2) Generate a gain voltage/current (in accordance with the analog operation range to be selected, see table below) using the selected generator or analog output.
- 3) Adjust the A/D GAIN potentiometer ('pot') until a digital value of 250 is read in D00.
- Note 1: Turn the 'pot' clockwise and the digital value will increase. The 'pot' requires 18 revolutions to move between the minimum and maximum settings.
- Note 2: When necessary to maximize the 8 bit resolution, the digital value used in the gain adjustment (detailed above) should be replaced with 255. This section has been written to demonstrate 250 full scale calibration.

| Analog input range     | 0-10V DC | 0-5V DC | 4-20mA DC |
|------------------------|----------|---------|-----------|
| Gain calibration value | 10.000V  | 5.000V  | 20.000mA  |

#### 7.3 Method of Calibration(D/A)

Use the following program and the appropriate wiring configuration to calibrate the output channel of the  $FX_{ON}$ -3A



#### 7.3.1 Output Calibration Program

| X00 X01          | X00 X01                             |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|
|                  | ⊢_//  ⊢TO   K0   K16   K250   K1  - |
| TO K0 K17 H04 K1 | TO K0 K17 H04 K1                    |
| TO K0 K17 H00 K1 | TO K0 K17 H00 K1                    |

#### 7.3.2 Calibrating the Offset

- 1) Run the previously detailed program. Ensure X00 is ON and X01 is OFF.
- Adjust the D/A OFFSET potentiometer ('pot) until the selected meter displays the appropriate offset voltage/current (in accordance with the analog operation range selected, see table below).

Note: Turn the 'pot' clockwise and the analog output signal will increase. The 'pot' requires 18 revolutions to move between the minimum and maximum settings.

| Analog output range            | 0-10V DC | 0-5V DC | 4-20mA DC |
|--------------------------------|----------|---------|-----------|
| Offset calibration meter value | 0.040V   | 0.020V  | 4.064mA   |

#### 7.3.3 Calibrating the Gain

- 1) Run the previously detailed program. Ensure X00 is OFF and X01 is ON.
- Adjust the D/A GAIN potentiometer ('pot') until selected meter displays the appropriate gain voltage/ current (in accordance with the analog operation range selected, see table below).
- Note 1: Turn the 'pot' clockwise and the analog output signal will increase. The 'pot' requires 18 revolutions to move between the minimum and maximum settings
- Note 2: When it is necessary to maximize the 8 bit resolution, the digital value used in the gain adjustment (detailed above) should be replaced with 255. This section has been written to demonstrate a 250 full scale calibration.

| Analog output range          | 0-10V DC | 0-5V DC | 4-20mA DC |
|------------------------------|----------|---------|-----------|
| Gain calibration meter value | 10.000V  | 5.000V  | 20.000mA  |

#### 8. Program example

#### 8.1 Using Analog Inputs

The buffer memories (BFM) of the FX0N-3A are written TO or read FROM by the host PLC. The following program reads the analog input from channel 1 of the FX0N-3A when M0 is ON, and the analog input data of channel 2 when M1 is ON.

| M0<br>TO K0 K17 H00 K1 | (H00) is written to BFM#17, selecting A/D input channel 1.<br>(H02) is written to BFM#17 starting the A/D conversion process for |
|------------------------|--|
| TO K0 K17 H02 K1       | channel 1.   |
| FROM K0 K0 D00 K1      | BFM#0 is read, storing the current value of channel 1 in register D00  |
|                        | (H01) is written to BFM#17 now selecting A/D input channel 2.  |
| TO K0 K17 H03 K1       | (H03) is written to BFM#17 to re-start the A/D conversion process, but for channel 2.  |
| FROM K0 K0 D01 K1      | BFM#0 is read, storing the current value of channel 2 in register  |
| I                      | D01  |

The time TAD required to read an analog input channel is calculated as follows: TAD = (TO instruction processing time)  $\times$  2 + (FROM instruction processing time)

Note : The 3 (TO/FROM) command format shown above should always be used when reading data from the FX0N-3A's analog input channels.

#### 8.2 Using Analog Outputs

The buffer memories (BFM) of the FX0N-3A are written TO, or read FROM by the host PLC. In the following program, when M0 is turned ON the D/A conversion process is executed and an analog signal equivalent to the digital value stored in this example, is output to register D02

| то | K0 | K16 | D02 | K1 |
|----|----|-----|-----|----|
|    |    |     |     | K1 |
| ТО | K0 | K17 | H00 | K1 |

The contents of D2 are written to BFM#16. This will be converted to an analog output.

(H04) is written to BFM#17 to start the D/A conversion process.

The time TAD required to write an analog input channel is calculated as follows:

 $TAD = (TO instruction processing time) \times 3$ 

Note : The 3 (TO) instruction format shown above should always be used when writing data to the FXoN-3A's analog output channel.

Details on both the FROM and TO instructions (functions 78 and 79 respectively) can be found in the "FX series Programming Manual (II)"

#### 8.3 Using FX1N, FX2N (V3.00 or more) or FX2NC (V3.00 or more) Series PLC's

Please use FNC 176 (RD3A) and FNC 177 (WR3A) Refer to FX Series Programming Manual II.

## 9. Error Checking

If the FXoN-3A special function block does not seem to operate normally, check the following items:

- Check the status of POWER LED. Lit: The extension cable is properly connected. Otherwise: Check the connection of the extension cable.
- Check the external wiring.
- Check whether the output load connected to the analog output terminal is within the following specified limits.

Voltage output: 1k $\Omega$  to 1M $\Omega$ , Current output: 500 $\Omega$  or less

- Check whether the impedance of the input device is within the specified limits. Voltage input: 200kΩ, Current input: 250Ω.
- Check the calibration of the FX0N-3A's analog channels (input and output) using a voltmeter/ ammeter as required. See previous two sections for a detailed explanation.

# Guidelines for the safety of the user and protection of the FX0N-3A Special function block

- This manual has been written to be used by trained and competent personnel. This is defined by the European directives for machinery and EMC.
- If in doubt at any stage during the installation of the FXoN-3A always consult a professional electrical engineer who is qualified and trained to the local and national standards. If in doubt about the operation or use of the FXoN-3A please consult the nearest Mitsubishi Electric distributor.
- Under no circumstances will Mitsubishi Electric be liable or responsible for any consequential damage that may arise as a result of the installation or use of this equipment.
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