

SIM-P

Serial Interface Module (Programmable Modbus RTU RS485 comms bridge)

Summary

The iMAC SIM-P Serial Interface Module provides an intrinsically safe communications bridge between the iMAC system and a single Ampcontrol RS485 slave device. The SIM-P operates as Modbus RS485 RTU Master device and uses Modbus commands to retrieve data from a slave device. It allows up to 16 sequential 'input' registers to be read from a single slave device. This data is then packed into up to 16 iMAC registers which are forwarded onto the iMAC controller via the iMAC fieldbus.

The SIM-P RS485 interface requires a local intrinsically safe power supply, however, the main CPU of SIM-P is powered directly from the iMAC fieldbus allowing the device to communicate information about its status regardless of whether the local power supply is available or not.

The RS485 interface is fully electrically isolated from the iMAC fieldbus eliminating the possibility of ground loops between the slave device and the iMAC system. The RS485 interface is intrinsically safe with an assigned set of entity parameters which must be matched accordingly when connecting to other intrinsically safe devices.



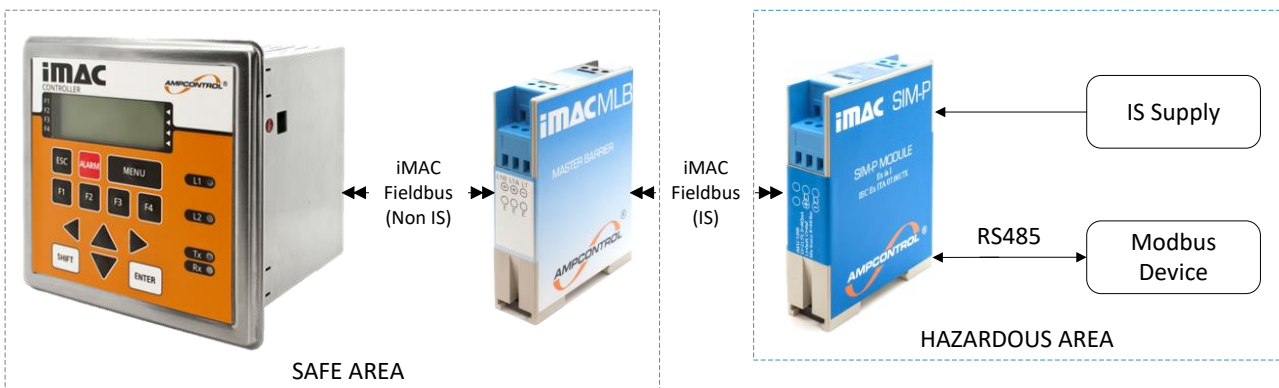
Data Register(s)

Configurable up to 16 (+ 1 Error Register)

Features

- Intrinsically Safe IECEx Ex ia Group I Ma
- Provides communication bridge between iMAC system and a RS485 Modbus RTU slave device
- Partially down-line powered from the iMAC L1 Fieldbus
- Multifunction iMAC fieldbus diagnostic status LED
- RS485 activity LED
- RS485 port electrically isolated
- Remotely monitored and configured via the iMAC Controller
- Standard DIN rail mounting

Minimum System

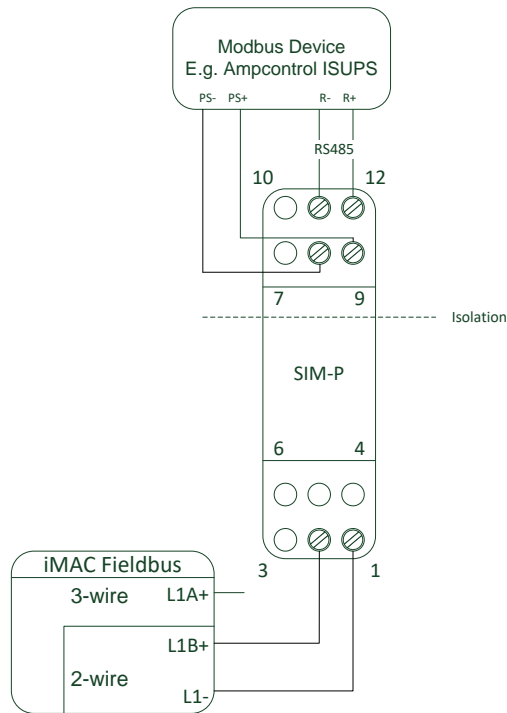


CAUTION!



Modules used in non-I.S. systems shall not be re-used in I.S. systems (as the integrity of internal components upon which intrinsic safety depends may have been compromised).

Electrical Connections



Note: refer to iMACB094 – iMAC Installation Requirements

Terminal	Label	Type	Description
1	L1-	L1 comms	iMAC Fieldbus (2 wire)
2	L1+		
3 - 7	-	-	-
8	PS-	Power supply input	DC
9	PS+		
10	-	-	-
11	RS485 TR-	RS485 comms	Interface for a Modbus RTU slave
12	RS485 TR+		

Data Register(s)

Register 1 – Error (iMAC SIM-P Address+0)

Bit	Description	Bit Value	R / W	Notes
15	RS485 comms link error	1 = Error	r	Automatically clears on successful comms with slave device
14 - 0	RS485 comms error count	0 - 32767	r	Roll-call the SIM-P to reset this counter (0 At power-up)

Registers 2 to 17 – Data (iMAC SIM-P Address+1 to +16)

The 'Modbus number of registers' parameter determines how many of these registers exist. The content of these registers is determined by the Modbus slave device.

Configuration Parameters

(Refer to document IMACB005 - iMAC module parameters programming procedure)

SIM-P Parameters (roll-call name: SIM-P Module)					
No	Description	Range	Default	Units	R/W
1	First Data register address of this SIM-P module	1 - 250	210	-	r / w
2	Modbus slave address	1 - 254	1	-	r / w
3	Modbus register start address	1 - 65519	2	-	r / w
4	Modbus number of registers	1 - 16	8	-	r / w

The address range occupied by the SIM-P will be from iMAC address to (iMAC address + Modbus number of registers + 1). The SIM-P may not occupy addresses 253 - 255.

Functional Logic

The SIM-P sends a master Modbus “read input registers” request to the slave device connected on the RS485 interface at the rate of one every iMAC refresh cycle (the time it takes to read all 255 iMAC fieldbus addresses). The read Modbus data is packed into the SIM-P iMAC data registers and published onto the iMAC fieldbus.

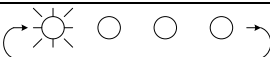
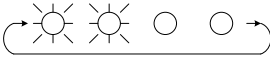


The approximate time taken to read and transfer the specified data from the slave device to iMAC Controller is dictated by the iMAC Linespeed setting as follows:

iMAC Controller Linespeed (baud)	1000	500	300
Slave device data transfer time (seconds)	9s	18s	30s

After a successful Modbus transaction, the new data is passed onto the iMAC controller (which can then be read by a PLC).

If a RS485 Modbus error occurs, the RS485 flag is set and the RS485 Error Counter is incremented. The RS485 error flag is cleared on the next successful RS485 Modbus transaction. Both the flag and error counter are cleared on a SIM-P Fieldbus power-up cycle or following an iMAC SIM-P module rollcall.

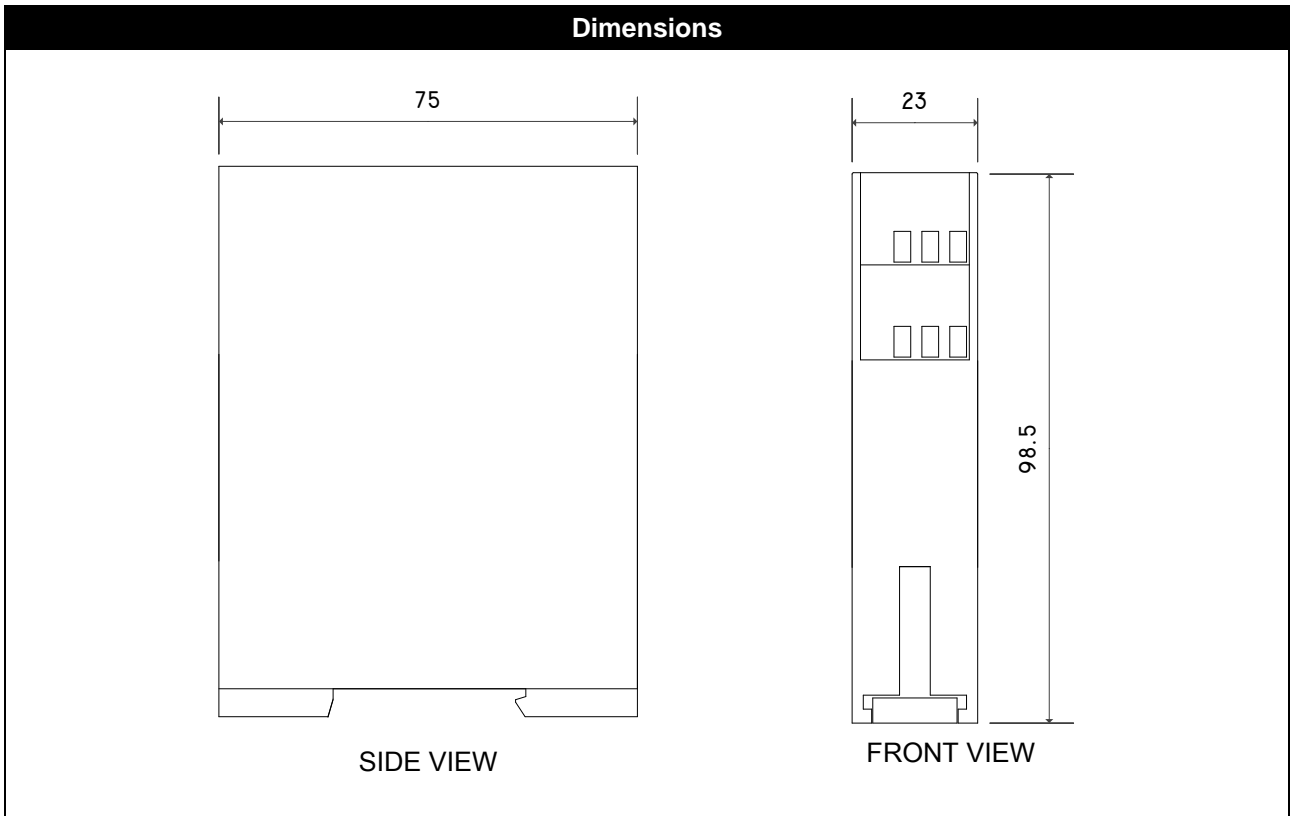
LED Indicators

Status LED (L1 OK)			
Flash Sequence		Module - iMAC Comms Status	Module - Function Status
Off	-	Unknown (check connections)	Unknown (check connections)
Slow Flash		Healthy	-
2 Flashes		Healthy (has been roll-called)	-
3 Flashes		Error (address clash)	-
Fast Flash		Error (general)	RS485 is not functioning correctly
RS485 LED			
Off	Module is not currently receiving data from the slave device		
Flash	Module is transmitting or receiving data on the RS485 link (RS485 activity)		

Certification / Approvals		
Type	Ex ia I Ma (for use in zone 0, 1 or 2)	
Certificate number	IECEX ITA 07.0017X	
Module type	SIM	
IP rating	Must be installed in an enclosure not less than IP54	
Other	Must be connected in accordance with iMAC system drawing IMACZ032. L1+ L1- terminals must only connect to a single MLB (Master Line Barrier).	
I/O parameters	L1+, L1- (Terminals 1 & 2)	Ui = 21.5V (44.65R source resistor) Ci = Negligible Li = Negligible
	PS+, PS- (Terminals 8 & 9)	Ui = 16.5V li = 3.5A Ci = negligible Li = negligible
	TR+, TR- (Terminals 11 & 12)	Ui = 7.14V li = 2A Ci = negligible Li = negligible Uo = 5.88V Io = 19.8mA Po = 29.1mW Co = 1000uF Lo = 1H L/R = 1600uH/Ω
Ambient temperature (Ta)	-20°C to +40°C (refer to operating environment specifications)	
This table is provided for quick reference purposes only: refer to latest issue of the Certificate of Conformity for all system designs.		

Specifications	
Mechanical	
Dimensions	23mm x 75mm x 98.5mm (See diagram below)
Weight	190g
IP Rating	IP20
Mounting	Standard 35mm DIN rail (Top hat rail – EN 50022)
Electrical Connections	ERNI Screw terminals (maximum wire size of 2.5mm ² , maximum tightening torque of 0.4Nm)
Environmental	
Operating Temperature	-10°C to +60°C
Power Supply (RS485)	
Voltage	9 - 16.5 VDC (I.S.) / 9 - 16.5 VDC (Non - I.S.)
Current (@ VDC)	9mA (9) / 18mA (12) / 29mA (16)
Communications (iMAC L1)	
Hardware interface	2 wire (+/-18VDC I.S. via MLB barrier or +/-21VDC non I.S. iMAC Fieldbus)
Line Speed	300 - 1000 baud
Bit protocol	iMAC proprietary
L1 Isolation	3.5kVAC (to RS485 Interface)
L1 Line Loading (baud)	1.92mA (300) / TBC (500) / 4.16mA (1000)
Communications (Modbus)	
Modbus Master	Modbus RTU protocol (Read input registers - function code 4)
Hardware interface	RS485
Baud Rate	2400 (fixed)
Bit protocol	8 data bits, parity none, 2 stop bits (fixed)
Isolation	3.5kVAC (to iMAC Fieldbus interface)
Find Out More	
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Dimensions



Equipment List

Part Number	Description
143646	MODULE IMAC SIM-P IECEX

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