

Errata Sheet

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Change to Table of Contents

There is a typo on the first page of the Table of Contents. "Install" is spelled "Insall" for the section named "Install the D2-DCM".

Change to Page 2. Introduction

Add the following note to this page:

NOTE: The D3-DCM module is only supported by the D3-350 processor only.

Change to Page 7. Specifications

In the Operating Specifications table, revise the "CPU Required" entry. It should say:

D2-240 (firmware V1.8 or later), D2-250-1 and D2-260

Change to Page 11. Building the Cable

The NOTE at the bottom of the page is incorrect. Only the D2-230 and D2-240 CPUs support RS232 only. D2-250(-1) and D2-260 CPUs support RS232/422/485 without extra hardware.

Change to Page 12. Building the Cable (continued)

Change the reference in the first paragraph to "Belden 9855" cable to "AutomationDirect L19772-1 (Belden 8102) or equivalent".

Change to Page 13. Building the Cable (continued)

In the first paragraph, change the last sentence to "For example, AutomationDirect L19772-1 (Belden 8102) or equivalent has a nominal characteristic impedance of 100 ohms".

In the top wiring drawing ("Line-to-Line Termination for the D2-DCM"), change both "120 Ohm Resistor" callouts to "100 Ohm Resistor".

In the bottom wiring drawing, change the "65 Ohm Resistors" callouts to "51 Ohm Resistors".

In the top drawing, move the termination resistor on the left connector (Master) from the 24-25 pins to the 16-17 pins.



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The Change to Page 17. D2–DCM Switch Settings

Add the following note near the first bullet point, "*Direct*NET Slave":

NOTE: Although it is not listed in the switch settings, K-sequence is also available whenever the D2–DCM is set for DirectNET Slave operation.

Change to Page 18. D2–DCM Switch Settings (continued)

There is an error in the last paragraph, "Response Delay Time". The first sentence refers to switch "SW4". It should say "SW5". (SW4 is used for firmware updates.)

Change to Page 21. Install the D2–DCM and Starting the Network

Add the following note to this page:

D3-DCM cannot be mounted in the farthest slot from the CPU in a base. It requires 300 mA of +9 V base power. Make sure you will not exceed the available base power budget by installing the D3-DCM.

See the DL305 User Manual for complete details on power budget calculations.

Changes to Appendix A. Cable Diagrams

Page A-4. Point-to-Point RS422 D2–DCM as Master

In the lower left drawing there are some pin number errors for the DL405 port 1 25-pin connector. The correct pin numbers are:

- 19 +RTS (not 10 as shown)
- 18 -RTS (not 11 as shown)
- 11 +CTS (not 12 as shown)
- 23 -CTS (not 13 as shown)

In the top set of drawings, change the callout that says "DL405 CPU Bottom Port" to DL405 Port 1"



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Change to Appendix A. Cable Diagrams (continued)

Page A-7. Revisions were made to both drawings:





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Page A-8. Change the call-out that says "DL240 CPU Bottom Port or DL450 Phone Jack" to: "DL450 Port 2 (RJ12)"

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Setting the D2–DCM switches

The D2–DCM has two banks of dipswitches that allow you to select the communication parameters necessary for your application. In quite a few cases, you may not have to change the switches at all. The D2–DCM comes set from the factory for:

- DirectNET Slave operation
- 9600 Baud
- Station Address 1
- Odd Parity
- Hex Mode

Host Computer or Operator Interface Connection If you're using a host computer or operator interface as the master station you should set the D2–DCM to match the master station parameters. Check the documentation that came with your computer or operator interface panel to determine the available communication parameters.

You'll need to know the following things.

- Baud rate
- Parity settings
- Protocol required

Your operator interface must use one of the following protocols.

- DirectNET
- K-sequence
- Hostlink (*Direct*NET was called Hostlink on the old TI[™] or Simatic[®] TI products. Some Operator Interface manufacturers may still refer to it this way.)
- MODBUS® RTU

*Direct*NET Interface If you're using the D2–DCM as a *Direct*NET interface, you'll need to know whether the D2–DCM is being used in a master station, slave station, or peer station. Once you've determined how the D2–DCM will be used, proceed with the dipswitch settings.



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D2–DCM Switch Settings Once again, the switches should be set at the factory for the following type of operation.

- *Direct*NET Slave
 9600 Baud
 - NOTE: Although it is not listed in the switch settings, K-sequence is also available whenever
- Station Address 1
 - ¹ the D2-DCM is set for DirectNET Slave operation.
- Odd Parity
- Hex Mode

If these settings are acceptable, then you can go ahead and install the D2–DCM into the base. If not, you'll have to change the switch settings.

There are two small banks of switches located next to the blue rotary switches on the one of the D2–DCM circuit boards. These dipswitches are used to select the communications settings. The following diagram shows the switch locations and their purpose.



Protocol Selection: Positions 1 and 2 on SW3 select the D2–DCM protocol and the master or slave settings. The D2–DCM primarily uses two protocols, **Direct**NET and MODBUS® RTU protocol. Here's some information to help you choose.

Communications Port for DirectSOFT32 Programming: If you plan to program the CPU through the D2–DCM, then you can use either *Direct*NET protocol or our proprietary protocol, called K-sequence. Although it is not listed in the switch settings, K-sequence is also available whenever the D2–DCM is set for *Direct*NET slave operation.

Computer or Operator Interface: If you're using the D2–DCM to connect a computer or operator interface, check your documentation to see which protocol is being used. Since the D2–DCM is always a slave station when it's connected to a computer or operator interface, you should select **Direct**NET slave or MODBUS® RTU slave. Note, there are also a handful of operator interfaces that have been designed to use our proprietary K-sequence protocol. If you have one of these, or if you need to use K-sequence for some reason, make sure you set the D2–DCM for **Direct**NET Slave operation. Peer to Peer works in Hexadecimal mode only.

*Direct*NET *Master / Slave:* In a *Direct*NET master / slave network, one D2–DCM should be set as a master and the rest should be set as slaves.

DirectNET *Peer as Master:* This is a variation of the master / slave protocol and should be selected when you only have two stations that can each initiate requests. Each station must have a D2–DCM as the network interface.

MODBUS® RTU Slave: The D2–DCM can also be a MODBUS® slave (in the RTU or HEX mode). The D2–DCM cannot be a MODBUS® master station. If you're going to use MODBUS®, make sure your software package supports the DL205 products. See Appendix C for more information.

Communication Timeout: Position 3 on SW3 selects the communication timeout. For most cases, you should leave this switch in the OFF position. Communication Timeout Disable is normally used *only* if you're developing your own *Direct*NET programs. By disabling the timeout, you can send one *Direct*NET component without any communication timeout problems. If you have this timeout disabled and a communication error does occur, you must restart communications by sending a retry or an End of Transmission (EOT) command. If you want to know more, see the *Direct*NET manual for details.

ASCII / HEX Mode: Position 4 on SW3 selects between ASCII and HEX modes of data representation. If you want the fastest communication possible, use HEX mode, which is the default. The difference is in the way the data is represented. The same data is twice as long in ASCII format, so if there's more data, it takes longer to transfer. If you have a device on the network that requires ASCII mode, then set the switch for ASCII mode, otherwise, use HEX mode.

Baud Rate: Positions 1 – 3 on SW5 are used to set the baud rate for the D2–DCM. There are eight baud rate selections available ranging from 300bps to 38.4Kbps. **All stations must have the same baud rate before the communications will operate correctly.** Usually, you should use the highest baud rate possible unless noise problems appear. If noise problems appear, try reducing the baud rates.

<u>Parity</u>: Position 4 on SW5 selects between the two parity options, odd or none. If you're using all DL205 equipment, you should use odd parity. Odd parity uses eleven bits total (1 start bit, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit, and 1 parity bit).

Some devices require no parity, which uses only 10 bits (1 start bit, 8 data bits, and 1 stop bit).

Self-Test: Position 5 on SW5 selects the factory self-test and should <u>always</u> be switched off. If the self-test is on, the module will not operate correctly.

Response Delay Time: Positions 6–8 on SW4 set the response delay time. The delay time specifies the amount of time the D2–DCM waits to send the data after it has raised the RTS signal line. This is normally set to 0, and is typically only adjusted if you are using the D2–DCM with a radio modem. If you are using the D2–DCM with a radio modem, check your modem documentation to help you choose the proper setting. Also, if you're considering the use of a modem, check out Appendix D. It may be of some help.

SW4 is incorrect. It

should be SW5.

(SW4 is used for

firmware updates.)

Address Selection Switch

The D2–DCM station address is set by the two rotary switches located on one of the D2–DCM's circuit boards. Addresses are in hexadecimal format with valid addresses from 0 (only used for the master station) to hexadecimal 5A. The addresses do not have to be consecutive, but each station must have a unique address.

The top rotary switch is used to set the most significant digit of the HEX address. The bottom switch is used to set the least significant digit of the HEX address. For example, to set a D2–DCM address of HEX 10 (decimal 16), set the top rotary switch to 1 and the bottom rotary switch to 0. If you're using the D2–DCM as a master, make sure you select address 0.

Even though the D2–DCM address is set in hexadecimal, it's a good idea to remember the decimal equivalent. This is because the decimal address is used most often. For example, a RLL communications program, the **Direct**SOFT32 Programming Software, and our DSData Server all use the decimal equivalent of the HEX address. It's easy to convert from hex to decimal.

Example: Switches set for 3C

HEX Format









Warning: The D2–DCM address switch settings are only read at power up. If you want to change the address, you must remove the module from the base to access the switches. Your system can be damaged if you install or remove system components before disconnecting the system power. To minimize the risk of equipment damage, electrical shock, or personal injury, always disconnect the system power before installing or removing any system component.

Online / Offline Switch On the front of the unit, just to the left of the LEDs, you'll notice a small slide switch. This switch is labeled ON (for online) and OFF (for offline). If you want to communicate through the D2–DCM, make sure this switch is in the ON position.

In the OFF position, this switch logically disconnects the D2–DCM from the network (just as if you pulled the cable from the connector). Once this switch is moved to the OFF position, the D2–DCM will not communicate with the network. If you move the switch to the ON position, the D2–DCM will communicate with the network, but not until the master sends another request for communication. This does not operate like the reset switch on many personal computers.

