

# I/A Series<sup>®</sup> Hardware Field Automation Subsystem Micro-I/A<sup>™</sup> Station Allen-Bradley<sup>™</sup> Remote I/O Interface



#### DESCRIPTION

The Micro-I/A station Allen-Bradley Remote I/O Interface card and connecting cable provide field communication between a Micro-I/A station and Allen-Bradley Remote I/O (RIO) modules. When used with the Integrated Control software, Allen-Bradley Flex™ I/O modules are supported on the RIO bus. The maximum number of A-B™ Remote I/O Interface cards usable in one Micro-I/A station is a function of the available number of PCMCIA slots, which could be up to three in some instances. However, since the RIO bus allows multiple drops over remote distances, in many instances only a single A-B Remote I/O Interface card is required.

## **PACKAGING**

The design of the interface card is based on Personal Computer Memory Card Industry Association (PCMCIA) technology (sometimes referred to as PC Card technology) and is characterized by:

- Small size
- Minimal power consumption
- Easy installation and removal.

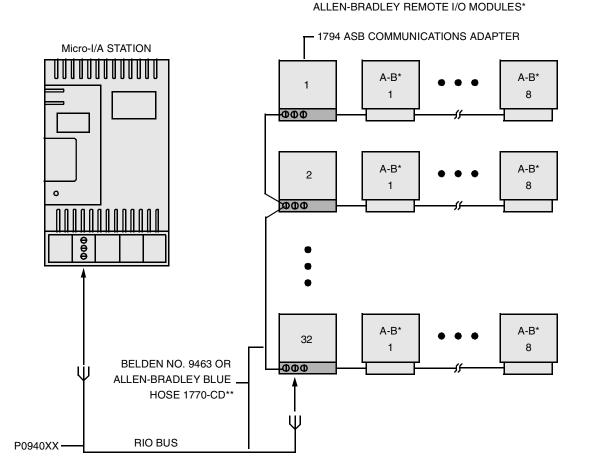
## COMMUNICATIONS

This interface card is the link between a Micro-I/A station and up to 32 racks of Allen-Bradley Remote Input/Output (RIO) adapters, each of which can access up to eight A-B I/O modules. The Micro-I/A station can be up to 3,000 meters (10,000 feet) away from a strand of A-B I/O modules depending on selected baud rate. The A-B I/O modules that can be connected are:

- A-B 1794-IB16, DIN, 24 V dc, 16 point
- A-B 1794-IB8S, DIN, 24 V dc, 8 point, sensor
- A-B 1794-IA8, 120 V ac DIN, 8 point
- A-B 1794-IE4X0E2, 4 In/2 Out Analog Combo
- A-B 1794-OB16, 24 V dc 16 Source DOUT
- A-B 1794-OE4, AOUT, 4 point
- A-B 1794-OA8, 120 V ac DOUT, 8 point
- A-B 1794-OW8, DOUT, 8 Relay, Form A, N.O.
- A-B 1794-IE8, AIN, 8 point
- A-B 1794-IT8, thermocouple, 8 point
- A-B 1794-IR8, RTD, 8 point.

The I/A Series software supports the A-B RIO "fault groups". If RIO adapters are configured into a fault group and one RIO adapter fails, the other RIO adapters in the same fault group stop scanning their inputs and assert fail-safe values on the analog outputs and hold last value/reset on the discrete outputs.





NOTE: 24 V DC POWER MUST BE SUPPLIED TO THE 1794 ASB COMMUNICATION ADAPTERS AND THEIR ASSOCIATED MODULES. THE USER-PROVIDED SUPPLY CAN BE EITHER THE ALLEN-BRADLEY 1794-PS1 OR EQUIVALENT.

- \* REFER TO ALLEN-BRADLEY DOCUMENTATION FOR SIGNAL CABLE CONNECTION INFORMATION.
- \*\* REFER TO ALLEN-BRADLEY PUBLICATION ICCG-2.2 FOR SPECIFICATIONS.

Figure 1. Typical Configuration for Micro-I/A Type 1 Station and A-B Remote I/O Modules

## **CARD CONSTRUCTION**

The interface card is a sealed unit; in the event of a card failure, it is easily replaced with a new one.

## CARD INSTALLATION/REPLACEMENT

Installation of the Allen-Bradley Remote I/O Interface card involves removing the front cover on the Micro-I/A station, seating the card into an empty slot in the station, routing the card's connecting cable through the station, and plugging the cable connector into the base of the station.

Removal and replacement of the interface card can be performed without disturbing external user terminations.

If an Allen-Bradley Remote I/O Interface card is removed and later reinstalled or replaced (for example, when replacing a defective card), the card is automatically initialized and I/O scanning immediately continues.

## **FUNCTIONAL SPECIFICATIONS**

## **Electromagnetic Compatibility**

The Allen-Bradley I/O Interface card (PC card) is tested for electromagnetic compatibility as a component of the Micro-I/A station. Refer to PSS 21H-6B4 B4.

## **Power**

INPUT VOLTAGE 5 V dc INPUT CURRENT 250 mA POWER CONSUMPTION 1.25 W (maximum)

### Bus

LENGTH
AB-1770-CD; Belden 9463
NUMBER OF DROPS
32
BUS SPEED
51.6 KBaud; 3,048 m (10,000 ft)
115.2 KBaud; 1,524 m (5,000 ft)
230.4 KBaud; 762 m (2,500 ft)

## **ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS**

## **Ambient Temperature**

OPERATING 0 to 50°C (32 to 122°F) STORAGE -20 to +65°C (-4 to +149°F)

# **Relative Humidity**

OPERATING
5 to 95% (Noncondensing)
STORAGE
5 to 95% (Noncondensing)

## Mechanical

VIBRATION (OPERATING) 0.75 g (5 to 200 Hz)

## Chemical

CORROSION AND CONTAMINATION Per ISA Standard S71.04, Class G1

## **Circuit Board Flammability Effects**

94V1

# Transportation

ASTM D 999-75

## PHYSICAL SPECIFICATIONS

## **Card Width**

54 mm (2.126 in)

## **Card Length**

85.6 mm (3.370 in)

# **Card Depth**

5.0 mm (0.196 in)

## **Card Mass**

40 grams (0.09 lb)

## **Card Type**

Type II. Card is made to PCMCIA specifications.

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