

PXC Modular Series



Figure 1. PXC Modular.

Description

The PXC Modular Series (Programmable Controller–Modular) is a high-performance modular Direct Digital Control (DDC) supervisory field panel, which is an integral part of the APOGEE® Automation System.

The PXC Modular operates stand-alone or networked to perform complex control, monitoring, and energy management functions without relying on a higher-level processor.

- Up to 100 modular field panels communicate on a peer-to-peer network.
- With the addition of TX-I/O modules and a TX-I/O Power Supply on a self-forming bus, the PXC Modular can directly control up to 500 points.



See the APOGEE Wiring Guidelines for Field Panels and Equipment Controllers (125-3002) for information on setting up this configuration.

With the addition of an Expansion Module, the PXC Modular also provides central monitoring and control for distributed Field Level Network (FLN) devices.

Features

- Modular hardware components match initial control requirements while providing for future expansion.
- Automation Level Network (ALN) support for peer-to-peer communications over industry standard 10/100Base-T TCP/IP networks or RS-485 P2 networks.
- Optional support for P1 FLN devices.
- Optional support for P1 Wireless FLN.
- Optional operation as a P1 device with default applications.
- HMI RS-232 and USB ports, which provide laptop connectivity for local operation and engineering.
- DIN rail mounted device with removable terminal blocks simplifies installation and servicing.
- Proven program sequences to match equipment control applications.
- Built-in energy management applications and DDC programs for complete facility management.
- Comprehensive alarm management, historical data trend collection, operator control, and monitoring functions.
- Sophisticated Adaptive Control, a closed loop control algorithm that auto-adjusts to compensate for load/seasonal changes (License required with Firmware revision 2.8.18 and higher).
- PXM10T and PXM10S support: Optional LCD Local user interface with HOA (Hand-off-auto) capability and point commanding and monitoring features.

Hardware

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- The Modular is a microprocessor-based multi-tasking platform for program execution and communication with other field panels. It scans field data, optimizes control parameters, and manages operator requests for data in seconds.
- The program and database information stored in the Modular memory is protected with a battery backup. This eliminates the need for time-consuming program and database re-entry in the event of an extended power failure. When battery replacement is necessary, the Modular illuminates a “battery low” status LED and can send an alarm message to selected printers or terminals.
- The Modular firmware, including the operating system, is stored in non-volatile flash memory.
- LEDs provide instant visual indication of overall operation, network communication, and battery status.
- Two self-forming buses are an integral part of the flexibility of the Modular. A self-forming bus to the right of the controller (see Figure 3) supports up to 500 points through TX-I/O™ modules. Another self-forming bus to the left of the controller (see Figure 5) supports hardware connection to subsystems through Expansion Modules.

TX-I/O Modules

TX-I/O Modules are modular expansion I/O consisting of an electronics module and terminal base. The electronics modules perform A/D or D/A conversion, signal processing and point monitoring and command output through communication with the Modular. The terminal bases provide for termination of field wiring and connection of a self-forming bus. For more information, see the *TX-I/O Product Range Technical Specification Sheet* (149-476).

TX-I/O Power Supply

The TX-I/O Power Supply provides power for TX-I/O modules and peripheral devices. Multiple Power Modules can be used in parallel to meet the power needs of large concentrations of I/O points (see Figure 2 and Figure 3). For more information, see the *TX I/O Product Range Technical Specification Sheet* (149-476).

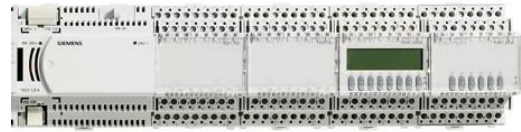


Figure 2. TX-I/O Power Supply and TX-I/O Modules.



Figure 3. PXC Modular, TX-I/O Power Supply, and TX-I/O Modules.

PXC Modular Expansion Module

The Modular Expansion Module (see Figure 4) provides the hardware connection for Field Level Network (FLN) devices.

Using the Triple RS-485 Expansion Module, the Modular supports up to three RS-485 networks of P1 Field Level Network devices. With the Expansion Module the PXC Modular can also provide wireless FLN support.



Figure 4. RS-485 Expansion Module.



Figure 5. RS-485 Expansion Module and PXC Modular.

Modular Control Panels with Application Flexibility

The PXC Modular is a high performance controller with extensive flexibility to customize each field panel with the exact hardware and program for the application. As a result, the user only purchases what is needed.

For example, in monitoring applications, the control panel can be customized with the number and type of points to match the sensor devices. For monitoring and controlling a large number of (on-off) fans or motors, more digital points can be added (see Figure 6).



Figure 6. PXC Modular, TX-I/O Power Supply, and TX-I/O Modules.

Alternately, if no local point control is required, the PXC Modular can be used to monitor and control Field Level Network devices using the Expansion Modules (see Figure 7).



Figure 7. RS-485 Expansion Module and PXC Modular.

Of course, the PXC Modular can be used for both direct point monitoring and control **and** as a system controller for Field Level Network devices (see Figure 8).



Figure 8. RS-485 Expansion Module, PXC Modular, TX-I/O Power Supply, and TX-I/O Modules.

In a stand-alone configuration, the PXC Modular can fulfill all requirements of a supervisory network coordinator by managing operation schedules and alarms and communicating for the connected devices.

The control program for each field panel is customized to exactly match the application. Proven Powers Process Control Language (PPCL), a “BASIC” type programming language, provides direct digital control and energy management sequences to precisely control equipment and optimize energy usage.

Global Information Access

The HMI port supports operator devices, such as a local user interface or simple CRT terminal, and a phone modem for dial-in service capability. Devices connected to the operator terminal port gain global information access.

Multiple Operator Access

Multiple operators can access the network simultaneously. Multiple operator access ensures that alarms are reported to an alarm printer while an operator accesses information from a local terminal. When using the Ethernet TCP/IP ALN option, multiple operators may also access the controller through concurrent Telnet sessions and/or local operator terminal ports.

Menu Prompted, English Language Operator Interface

The PXC Modular field panel includes a simple, yet powerful menu driven English Language Operator Interface that provides, among other things:

- Point monitoring and display
- Point commanding
- Historical trend collection and display for multiple points
- Equipment scheduling
- Program editing and modification via Powers Process Control Language (PPCL)
- Alarm reporting and acknowledgment
- Continual display of dynamic information

Built-in Direct Digital Control Routines

The PXC Modular provides stand-alone Direct Digital Control (DDC) to deliver precise HVAC control and comprehensive information about system operation. It receives information from sensors in the building, processes the information, and directly controls the equipment. The following functions are available in the PXC Modular:

- Adaptive Control, an auto-adjusting closed loop control algorithm. Provides more efficient, adaptive, robust, fast, and stable control than the traditional PID control algorithm. Superior in terms of response time, holding steady state, and minimizing error, oscillations, and actuator repositioning.
- Closed Loop Proportional, Integral and Derivative (PID) control
- Logical sequencing
- Alarm detection and reporting
- Reset schedules

Built-in Energy Management Applications

The following applications are programmed in the PXC Modular and require simple parameter input for implementation:

- Automatic Daylight Saving Time switchover
- Calendar-based scheduling
- Duty cycling
- Economizer control
- Equipment scheduling, optimization and sequencing
- Event scheduling
- Holiday scheduling
- Night setback control
- Peak Demand Limiting (PDL)
- Start-Stop Time Optimization (SSTO)
- Temperature-compensated duty cycling
- Temporary schedule override

Modular Series Specifications

Dimensions (L × W × D)	
PXC Modular	7.56" × 3.54" × 2.76" (192 mm × 90 mm × 70 mm)
FLN Expansion Module	1.26" × 3.54" × 2.76" (32 mm × 90 mm × 70 mm)
DIN rail (EN 60715 TH 35-7.5, steel)	1.38" × 0.30" × 0.04" (35 mm × 7.5 mm × 1 mm)
Processor, Battery, and Memory	
Processor	MPC885 (PowerPC)
Processor Clock Speed	133 MHz
Memory	80 MB (64 MB SDRAM, 16 MB Flash ROM)
Serial EEPROM	4 KB
Secure Digital (SD) memory card (for future use)	Expandable or removable non-volatile memory
Battery backup of SDRAM	30 days (accumulated), AA (LR6) 1.5 Volt Alkaline (non-rechargeable)
Battery backup of Real Time Clock	12 months (accumulated), Coin cell (BR2032) 3 Volt lithium
Real Time Clock Initial Accuracy	±30 seconds/month typical @ 77°F (25°C)

Communication

Ethernet/IP Automation Level Network (ALN)	10Base-T or 100Base-TX compliant
P2 Automation Level Network (ALN)	RS-485, 1200 bps to 115.2 Kbps, 1/8 load
P1 Wired/Wireless Field Level Network (FLN) on PXX-485.3 Expansion Module	RS-485 x 3, 4800 bps to 38.4 Kbps, 1/8 load
TX-I/O self-forming bus connection	115.2 Kbps, 5 pin connector (middle pin is not connected)
Human-Machine Interface (HMI) Advanced User Mode	RS-232 compliant, 1200 bps to 115.2 Kbps
USB Device port (for non-smoke control applications only)	USB 1.1 (12 Mbps) and 2.0 (480 Mbps), Type B female connector. Self-powered, does not use or supply USB power.
Prior to June 2013	USB 1.0 (1.5 Mbps) and 1.1 (12 Mbps).
USB Host port <i>on selected models</i> (for ancillary smoke control applications only).	USB 1.0 (1.5 Mbps), 1.1 (12 Mbps), and 2.0 (480Mbps), Type A female connector. USB unit loads (5V, 500 mA).
Prior to June 2013	USB 1.0 (1.5 Mbps) and 1.1 (12 Mbps), Type A female connector.

Electrical

Power Requirements	24 Vac +/-20% input @ 50/60 Hz
Power Consumption (Maximum)	24 VA @ 24 Vac
AC Power	NEC Class 2
Communication	NEC Class 2

Operating Environment

Ambient operating environment	Operate in a dry location, which is protected from exposure to salt spray or other corrosive elements. Exposure to flammable or explosive vapors must be prevented.
Shipping and storage environment	-13°F to 158°F (-25°C to 70°C)
Relative Humidity	5% to 95% rh, non-condensing
Mounting Surface	Building wall or structural member (Do not mount on HVAC components or any other vibrating surface.) CE Compliance Requires installation inside a metal enclosure rated at IP30 minimum. Smoke Control Applications Requires installation inside a PX series enclosure
Vibration	Compliance to IEC 60721, 3M2, and 2M2
Protection to EN60529	IP 20

Agency Listings

UL	UL 864 UUKL Smoke Control Equipment - Conforms to UL864 9th and 10th Edition. UL 864 UUKL7 Smoke Control Equipment - Conforms to UL864 9th and 10th Edition. CAN/ULC-S527-M8 UL 916 PAZX - Conforms to UL916 9th and 10th Edition. UL 916 PAZX7 - Conforms to UL916 9th and 10th Edition.
Agency Compliance	CFR47 Part 15, Class A; CFR47 Part 15, Class B - with metal enclosure, maximum opening Australian EMC Framework - with metal enclosure, maximum opening size is 34" European EMC Directive (CE) - with metal enclosure, maximum opening size is 34"
	RoHS Compliant
OSHPD Seismic Certification	Product meets OSHPD Special Seismic Preapproval certification (OSH-0217-10) under California Building Code 2010 (CBC2010) and International Building Code 2009 (IBC2009) when installed within the following Siemens enclosure part numbers: PXA-ENC18, PXA-ENC19, or PXA-ENC34.

Electrical Disturbance Testing

Dips and Interrupts	per EN 61000-4-11
Electrical Fast Transients (EPT)	per EN 61000-4-4, 1 kV signal, 2 kV AC power
Electrical Surge Immunity	per EN 61000-4-5 AC power: 2 kV common mode, 1 kV differential mode Signal lines: 1 kV CM, 5 kV DM
Electrostatic Discharge (ESD)	per EN 61000-4-2, 4 kV contact, 8 kV air discharge
RF Conducted Immunity	per EN 61000-4-6 @ 10V
RF Radiated Immunity	per EN 61000-4-3 @ 10V/m

Ordering Information

PXC Modular Series

Product Number	Description
PXC00-PE96.A	PXC Modular, Ethernet/IP or RS-485 ALN, P1 FLN. PXX-485.3 is also required as the connection to the FLN devices.
PXC100-PE96.A	PXC Modular, Ethernet/IP or RS-485 ALN, P1 FLN, self-forming TX-I/O Island Bus. PXX-485.3 is also required as the connection to the FLN devices.
PXX-485.3	Provides FLN support for the PXC Modular. Includes three RS-485 P1 FLN connections or one MS/TP FLN connection; maximum of 96 devices supported.

Optional Licenses

Product Number	Description
PXF-TXIO.A	License to enable the Island Bus on PXC00-E96.A and PXC00-PE96.A.
LSM-VAEM	License to enable Virtual AEM support when the P2 ALN is connected to RS-485
LSM-ADAPT	License to use the Adaptive Control added in FW 2.8.18 and later

Accessories

Product Number	Description
PXM10S	Controller mounted Operator Display module with point monitor and optional blue backlight
PXM10T	Controller mounted Operator Display module
PXA-HMI.CABLEP5	Serial cable required for PXM10T/S connection to PXC Series controllers.
PXA-MOD.CON	PXC Modular Connector Kit - Fits one PXC Modular

Service Boxes and Enclosures

Product Number	Description
PXA-SB115V192VA	PX Series Service Box—115V, 24 Vac, 50/60 Hz, 192 VA
PXA-SB115V384VA	PX Series Service Box—115V, 24 Vac, 50/60 Hz, 384 VA
PXA-SB230V192VA	PX Series Service Box—230V, 24 Vac, 50/60 Hz, 192 VA
PXA-SB230V384VA	PX Series Service Box—230V, 24 Vac, 50/60 Hz, 384 VA
PXA-ENC18	18" Enclosure (Utility Cabinet) (UL Listed NEMA Type 1 Enclosure)
PXA-ENC19	19" Enclosure (UL Listed NEMA Type 1 Enclosure)
PXA-ENC34	34" Enclosure (UL Listed NEMA Type 1 Enclosure)

Documentation

Product Number	Description
125-3582	PXC Modular Series Owner's Manual
125-1896	APOGEE Powers Process Control Language (PPCL) User's Manual

Disposal

	The device is considered an electronic device for disposal in accordance with the European Guidelines and may not be disposed of as domestic garbage. • Dispose of the device through channels provided for this purpose. • Comply with all local and currently applicable laws and regulations.
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