MGate™ MB3170/3270

1 and 2-port advanced serial-to-Ethernet Modbus gateways

Overview

The MGate MB3170 and MB3270 are 1 and 2-port Modbus gateways, respectively, that convert between Modbus TCP, ASCII, and RTU communications protocols. The gateways provide both serial-to-Ethernet communication and serial (Master) to serial (Slave) communications. In addition, the gateways support simultaneously connecting serial and Ethernet masters with serial Modbus devices. The MGate MB3170 and MB3270 series gateways can be accessed by up to 32 TCP master/clients or connect to up to 32 TCP slave/servers. Routing through the serial ports can be controlled by IP address, TCP port number, or ID mapping. A featured priority control function allows urgent commands to obtain an immediate response. All models are rugged, DIN-rail mountable, and offer optional built-in optical isolation for serial signals.

Integrate TCP Masters without Altering the Modbus RTU/ASCII Network or Software

The MB3270 can integrate Modbus TCP with Modbus RTU/ASCII, without modifying the existing Modbus RTU/ASCII architecture or software. With the serial redirector function, a serial master can maintain direct access to serial slave devices through a specially mapped serial port. This allows the serial and TCP masters to access serial slaves simultaneously.

Optical Fiber for Ethernet Communications

The MGate MB3170 fiber series includes 100BaseFX fiber models that support transmission distances up to 4 km for multi-mode models, and up to 40 km for single-mode models. Optical fiber is well-suited for industrial applications because it is immune to electromagnetic noise and interference. For environments that experience high ground loop voltages, fiber provides the best isolation protection, and because there is no danger of sparking, optical fiber is safer than copper wire to use in hazardous environments.

Auto-Device Routing for Easy Configuration (Patent Pending)

Moxa’s Auto-Device Routing function helps eliminate many of the problems and inconveniences encountered by engineers who need to configure large numbers of Modbus devices. A single mouse click is all that’s required to set up a slave ID routing table and configure Modbus gateways to automatically detect Modbus requests from a supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) system. By removing the need to manually create the slave ID routing table, the Auto-Device Routing function saves engineers significant time and cost.

Priority Control for Urgent Commands (Patented)

As Modbus networks increase in size and complexity, the lag time between commands and responses becomes a major concern. Advanced models of the MB3000 series provide a priority control function for urgent commands, allowing users to force certain commands to get an immediate response. Depending on your system’s requirements, different methods are available to define which commands receive priority.

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### Specifications

#### Ethernet Interface
- **Protocols:** Modbus TCP
- **Number of Ports:** 2 (1 IP, Ethernet cascade)
- **Speed:** 10/100 Mbps, Auto MDI/MDIX
- **Connector:** 8-pin RJ45
- **Magnetic Isolation Protection:** 1.5 kV (built-in)

#### Optical Fiber Interface

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<th>Fiber Cable Type</th>
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<td>Typical Distance</td>
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**Note:** When connecting a single-mode fiber transceiver, we recommend using an attenuator to prevent damage caused by excessive optical power.

**Note:** Compute the “typical distance” of a specific fiber transceiver as follows: Link budget (dB) > dispersion penalty (dB) + total link loss (dB).

#### Serial Interface
- **Protocol:** Modbus RTU/ASCII Master/Slave
- **Number of Ports:**
  - MB3170/3170I: 1
  - MB3270/3270I: 2
- **Serial Standards:** RS-232/422/485, software selectable
- **Connectors:**
  - MB3170/3170I: DB9 male for RS-232, terminal block for RS-422/485
  - MB3270/3270I: DB9 male x 2
- **Magnetic Isolation Protection:** 2 kV (for “I” models)
- **ESD Protection:** 15 kV for all signals
- **RS-485 Data Direction Control:** ADDC® (automatic data direction control)
- **Pull High/Low Resistor for RS-485:** 1 kΩ, 150 kΩ
- **Terminator for RS-485:** 120 Ω
- **Serial Communication Parameters**
  - **Data Bits:** 7, 8
  - **Stop Bits:** 1, 2
  - **Parity:** None, Even, Odd, Space, Mark
  - **Flow Control:** RTS/CTS, DTR/DSR, RTS Toggle (RS-232 only)
  - **Baudrate:** 50 bps to 921.6 kbps

#### Physical Characteristics
- **Housing:** Plastic, IP30
- **Weight:**
  - MGate MB3170: 360 g (0.79 lb)
  - MGate MB3270: 380 g (0.84 lb)
- **Dimensions:**
  - Without ears: 29 x 89.2 x 118.5 mm (1.14 x 3.51 x 4.67 in)
  - With ears extended: 29 x 89.2 x 124.5 mm (1.14 x 3.51 x 4.90 in)

#### Environmental Limits
- **Operating Temperature:**
  - Standard Models: 0 to 60°C (32 to 140°F)
  - Wide Temp. Models: -40 to 75°C (-40 to 167°F)
- **Storage Temperature:** -40 to 85°C (-40 to 185°F)
- **Ambient Relative Humidity:** 5 to 95% (non-condensing)
- **Vibration:** IEC 60068-2-6, IEC 60068-2-64
- **Shock:** IEC 60068-2-7
- **Drop:** IEC 60068-2-32

#### Power Requirements
- **Input Voltage:** 12 to 48 VDC
- **Input Current:**
  - MGate MB3170: 435 mA @ 12 VDC
  - MGate MB3170: 555 mA @ 12 VDC
  - MGate MB3270: 435 mA @ 12 VDC
  - MGate MB3270: 510 mA @ 12 VDC
  - MGate MB3170-M: 510 mA @ 12 VDC
  - MGate MB3170-M: 555 mA @ 12 VDC
  - MGate MB3170-M: 555 mA @ 12 VDC
- **Power Connector:** Terminal block
- **Relay Output:** 1 digital relay output to alarm (normal closed), with current carrying capacity 1 A @ 30 VDC

#### Standards and Certifications
- **Safety:** UL 508, EN 60950-1
- **Hazardous Location:** Class 1 Division 2, ATEX, IECEx
- **EMC:** EN 55032/24
- **EN:** CISPR 32, FCC Part 15B Class A
- **EMS:**
  - IEC 61000-4-2 ESD: Contact: 6 kV; Air: 8 kV
  - IEC 61000-4-3 RS: 80 MHz to 1 GHz: 10 V/m
  - IEC 61000-4-4 EFT: Power: 4 kV; Signal: 2 kV
  - IEC 61000-4-5 Surge: Power: 2 kV
  - IEC 61000-4-6 CS: 150 kHz to 80 MHz: 10 V/m
  - IEC 61000-4-8 PFMF
  - IEC 61000-4-11
- **Marine:** DNV
- **MTBF** (mean time between failures)
- **Time:**
  - MGate MB3170: 1,349,710 hrs
  - MGate MB3170-M: 1,175,887 hrs
  - MGate MB3170-M: 1,175,887 hrs
  - MGate MB3170-S: 1,175,887 hrs
  - MGate MB3170-I: 768,343 hrs
  - MGate MB3170-I: 763,707 hrs
  - MGate MB3270: 1,236,384 hrs
  - MGate MB3270-M: 1,175,887 hrs
  - MGate MB3270-M: 1,175,887 hrs
  - MGate MB3270-S: 768,343 hrs
  - MGate MB3270-S: 763,707 hrs
  - MGate MB3270: 1,236,384 hrs
- **Standard:** Telcordia SR332
- **Warranty Period:** 5 years
- **Details:** See www.moxa.com/warranty
Available Models
MGate MB3170: 1-port advanced Modbus gateway, 0 to 60°C operating temperature
MGate MB3170I: 1-port advanced Modbus gateway with 2 kV isolation, 0 to 60°C operating temperature
MGate MB3270: 2-port advanced Modbus gateway, 0 to 60°C operating temperature
MGate MB3270I: 2-port advanced Modbus gateway with 2 kV isolation, 0 to 60°C operating temperature
MGate MB3170-T: 1-port advanced Modbus gateway, -40 to 75°C operating temperature
MGate MB3170I-T: 1-port advanced Modbus gateway with 2 kV isolation, -40 to 75°C operating temperature
MGate MB3270-T: 2-port advanced Modbus gateway, -40 to 75°C operating temperature
MGate MB3270I-T: 2-port advanced Modbus gateway with 2 kV isolation, -40 to 75°C operating temperature
MGate MB3170-M-SC: 1-port advanced Modbus gateway with 100BaseFX multi-mode fiber port (SC connector), 0 to 60°C operating temperature
MGate MB3170-M-SC-T: 1-port advanced Modbus gateway with 100BaseFX multi-mode fiber port (SC connector) and 2 kV optical isolation, 0 to 60°C operating temperature
MGate MB3170-M-ST: 1-port advanced Modbus gateway with 100BaseFX multi-mode fiber port (ST connector), 0 to 60°C operating temperature
MGate MB3170-M-ST-T: 1-port advanced Modbus gateway with 100BaseFX multi-mode fiber port (ST connector) and 2 kV optical isolation, 0 to 60°C operating temperature
MGate MB3170I-M-SC: 1-port advanced Modbus gateway with 100BaseFX multi-mode fiber port (SC connector) and 2 kV optical isolation, -40 to 75°C operating temperature
MGate MB3170I-M-SC-T: 1-port advanced Modbus gateway with 100BaseFX multi-mode fiber port (SC connector) and 2 kV optical isolation, -40 to 75°C operating temperature
MGate MB3170I-S-SC: 1-port advanced Modbus gateway with 100BaseFX single-mode fiber port (SC connector) and 2 kV optical isolation, 0 to 60°C operating temperature
MGate MB3170I-S-SC-T: 1-port advanced Modbus gateway with 100BaseFX single-mode fiber port (SC connector) and 2 kV optical isolation, -40 to 75°C operating temperature

Optional Accessories (can be purchased separately)
Mini DB9F-to-TB: DB9 female to terminal block connector

Package Checklist
- 1 MGate MB3170 or MB3270 Modbus gateway
- Documentation and software CD
- Quick installation guide (printed)
- Warranty card