

Brief Development Notes for Modbus Protocol



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Before understanding the Modbus RTU/Modbus TCP communication protocol, it is recommended to use C # demo 4.46 (or above) to connect to the reader through RS485/TCP and test the reader's function according to the demo user manual.

After you turn on the debugging function of demo by pressing Ctrl + Shift + D, you can see the original data of the communication protocol corresponding to each step of operating demo. Combined with the communication protocol manual to see the specific commands, it will be very clear.

Demo connects to the reader through Modbus

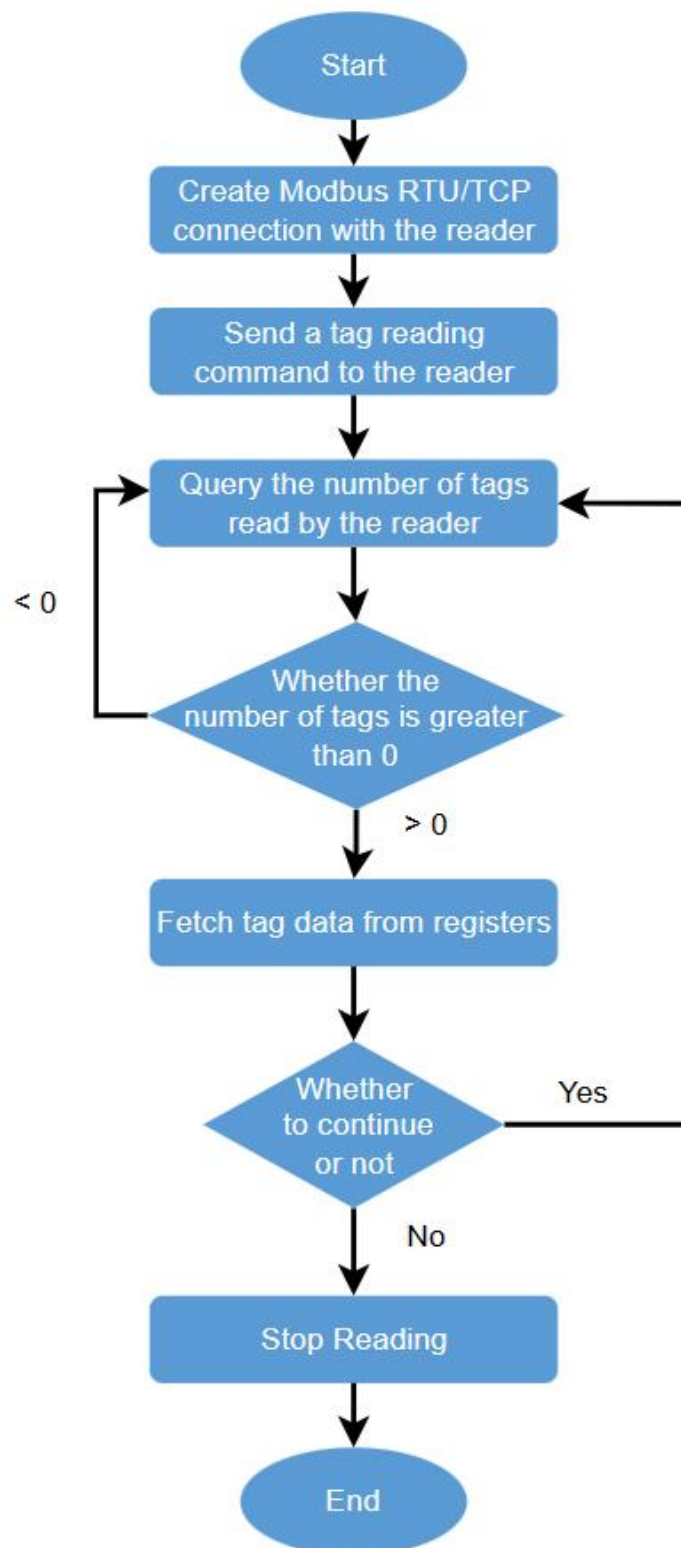
RS485 default baud rate: 115200, RS485 address: 1.

TCP default IP:192.168.1.116:9090, RS485 address: 1.

The screenshot displays the demo software interface with several key components:

- Top Bar:** Includes 'Connect', 'Read', 'Configure', and 'APP' tabs. The 'Current connection' status is 'Unconnected'.
- Search device:** A section with a search bar and a 'ClearList' button. Below it is a table with columns: 'ConnMode', 'ConnStatus', 'MAC', 'DHCP', 'IP / Mask', 'Gateway', and 'ServerPort'.
- Connect Reader:** A dropdown menu showing 'Modbus' is selected. A red dashed box highlights this dropdown, with an arrow pointing to it and the text: 'Click here to switch between data communication and Modbus'.
- Conn Type:** A dropdown menu showing 'RS485' is selected. Other options include 'Param', 'COM15', '115200', and '1'. A 'Connect' button is next to it.
- Right Panel:** Contains instructions for different connection methods:
 - RS232:** Connect after selecting the appropriate serial number and baud rate (default is 115200).
 - TCP Client:** The reader works as a TCP server (default setting), fill in the reader's IP address and port number (default is 192.168.1.116:9090) to connect the reader.
 - TCP Server:** The reader works as a TCP client will actively connect to the Demo software running on the computer, the IP address and port number that the reader to actively connect, need to be set in the reader beforehand.
 - 485:** Connect after selecting the appropriate serial number, baud rate (default is 115200) and 485 address.
 - USB:** Select the reader USB device name to connect.
- Debug Info:** A window showing a list of communication logs. An arrow points to the 'Custom command' field with the text: 'Press Ctrl+Shift+D to open the debugging function of demo.' The logs show a sequence of 'Reader' and 'Send' messages with hexadecimal data.
- Read Tags:** A table showing the results of a read operation. An arrow points to the 'ReadUID' icon with the text: 'Click the ReadUID icon, the reader will start reading the card, and at the same time, the corresponding Modbus protocol data can be seen in the debugging information interface.' The table has columns: 'Type', 'UID', 'Totalcount', 'ANT1', 'ANT2', 'ANT3', and 'AN'. The data row shows 'ISO15693', 'E0040150B82EA89', '164', '164', '0', '0', '0'.
- Bottom Bar:** Displays real-time statistics: 'TagCount 1', 'Speed(S/T) 107', 'ReadCount 164', 'Time 1.543', 'CPU(%) 0.00%', 'Cache 0', and 'ConnID: 1COM15:115200'.

Tag reading process



High frequency reader Modbus RTU reads UID of the 15693 tag

A 15693 tag, UID is E00401508A82EA89



Reader:1:COM15:115200--Send:01100201000204000100007AC3 //Read the UID of 15693 tags continuously

Command Analysis:

01 //485 address

10 //The function code 0x10 stands for writing multiple registers

0201 //The register start address of the read command, write only

0002 //Number of registers

04 //Data length

0001 //0x0000 represents a single tag read, 0x0001 represents continuous tag reading, after starting continuous tag reading, the reader will continue to read tags until it receives a stop command. At this point, just periodically fetch the tag data from the corresponding registers.

0000 //AFI in 15693 Protocol Mode, 0x00 stands for Select All Tags

7AC3 //Checksum

Reader:1:COM15:115200--Receive:01100201000211B0 //Reader response

Reader:1:COM15:115200--Send:0103021000018477 //Query the number of tags read

Command Analysis:

01 //485 address

03 //Function code

0210 //Query the starting address of the register with the number of tags read. Read only.

0001 //Number of registers

8477 //Checksum

Reader:1:COM15:115200--Receive:01030200017984 //The reader responds and reads 1 piece of tag data. If the queried tag data is 0, you can continue to query the number of tags read by the reader, and then fetch the tag data from the corresponding registers until there are tags be read.

Reader:1:COM15:115200--Send:01031000001040C6 //Fetch tag data from registers

Command Analysis:

000C //The sequence number of the message, 1 should be added after each communication to distinguish different communication data messages
0000 //Protocol identifier, 00 00 for the ModbusTCP protocol
000B //Indicates the length of the following data, in bytes
01 //485 address
10 //The function code 0x10 stands for writing multiple registers
0201 //The register start address of the read command, write only
0002 //Number of registers
04 //Data length
0001 //0x0000 represents a single tag read, 0x0001 represents continuous tag reading, after starting continuous tag reading, the reader will continue to read tags until it receives a stop command. At this point, just periodically fetch the tag data from the corresponding registers.
0000 //AFI in 15693 Protocol Mode, 0x00 stands for Select All Tags
Reader:1:192.168.1.116:9090--Receive:000C00000006011002010002 //Reader response

Reader:1:192.168.1.116:9090--Send:000D00000006010302100001 //Query the number of tags read

Command Analysis:

000D //The sequence number of the message, 1 should be added after each communication to distinguish different communication data messages
0000 //Protocol identifier, 00 00 for the ModbusTCP protocol
0006 //Indicates the length of the following data, in bytes
01 //485 address
03 //Function code
0210 //Query the starting address of the register with the number of tags read. Read only.
0001 //Number of registers

Reader:1:192.168.1.116:9090--Receive:000D000000050103020001 //The reader responds and reads 1 piece of tag data. If the queried tag data is 0, you can continue to query the number of tags read by the reader, and then fetch the tag data from the corresponding registers until there are tags be read.

Reader:1:192.168.1.116:9090--Send:000E00000006010310000010 //Fetch tag data from registers

Command Analysis:

000E //The sequence number of the message, 1 should be added after each communication to distinguish different communication data messages
0000 //Protocol identifier, 00 00 for the ModbusTCP protocol
0006 //Indicates the length of the following data, in bytes
01 //485 address
03 //Function code
1000 //Start address of the register where the tag is stored
0010 //Number of registers, number of 0x0010 registers, that is, 16 registers

Reader:1:192.168.1.116:9090--Receive:000E00000023010320001700000008

Data Analysis:

0000 //Protocol identifier, 00 00 for the ModbusTCP protocol

01 //485 address

03 //Function code

20 //Data length

0017 //Number of reads

0000 //RSSI value, high-frequency tags are useless, only applicable to UHF tags

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0008 //Tag data length
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E00401508A82EA89 //UID, which is the tag serial number

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0000000000000000000000000000000000 //Fill 0 data, useless
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Reader:1:192.168.1.116:9090--Receive:000F0000000501030220001 //The reader responds and reads 1 piece of tag data.

Reader:1:192.168.1.116:9090--Send:001000000006010310000010 //Fetch tag
data from registers

Reader:1:192.168.1.116:9090--Receive:001000000023010320001200000008

E00401508A82EA890000000000000000000000000000000000 //Tag data

Reader:1:192.168.1.116:9090--Send:001100000006010602000000 //Stop
reading

Command Analysis:

0011 //The sequence number of the message, 1 should be added after each communication to distinguish different communication data messages

0000 //Protocol identifier, 00 00 for the ModbusTCP protocol

0006 //Indicates the length of the following data, in bytes

01 //485 address

06 //Function code 0x06 represents writing a single register.

0200 //Register start address

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0000 //Write 0x0000 to stop reading tags.
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Reader:1:192.168.1.116:9090--Receive:001100000006010602000000 //Reader
response

Send: 0106020100011872 //Read the EPC of 6C tags continuously

Command Analysis:

01 //485 地址 address

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MODBUS Data Format

- 0x03 stands for read register
- 0x06 means to write a single register
- 0x10 means to write multiple registers

RTU Frame structure

Address	Function code	Register start address	Number of registers	CRC
1 byte	0x03	2 bytes	2bytes	2bytes

Address	Function code	Data length	Data content	CRC
1 byte	0x03	1 byte	n bytes	2 bytes

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Address	Function code	Register address	Data content	CRC
1 byte	0x06	2 bytes	2bytes	2bytes

The slave responds to the command:

Address	Function code	Register address	Data content	CRC
1 byte	0x06	2 bytes	2bytes	2bytes

Host request command (function code 16, 0x10):

Address	Function code	Register start address	Number of registers	Data length	Data content	CRC
1byte	0x10	2bytes	2bytes	1byte	n bytes	2bytes

The slave responds to the command:

Address	Function code	Register start address	Number of registers	CRC
1byte	0x10	2bytes	2bytes	2bytes

- Address 0 is the broadcast address, and any device can receive the data.
- The default factory device address is 0x01

TCP Frame structure

In Modbus TCP mode, the 2-byte CRC check digit is deleted and a 6-byte message header is added, as follows.

Transaction ID	Protocol ID	Length
2bytes	2bytes	2bytes

Content	Description
Transaction ID	It can be understood as the serial number of the message. Generally, 1 is added after each communication to distinguish different communication data messages.
Protocol ID	00 00 means Modbus TCP protocol.
Length	Indicates the length of the following data, in bytes.