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1. Preface

Thank you for choosing a Magna-Power Electronics product. This document provides user, service, and programming information the ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load. If you have any suggestions or feedback for this document, please contact Magna-Power at feedback@magna-power.com.

1.1. Contact Magna-Power

Magna-Power support can be contacted for service, technical support, or spare parts:

- By Phone: +1-908-237-2200
- By Email: support@magna-power.com

Visit magna-power.com/support for more support resources and information about contacting Magna-Power worldwide.

1.2. Safety Notice

The following general safety precautions must be observed during all phases of operation of this instrument. Failure to comply with these precautions or with specific warnings elsewhere in this manual violates safety standards of design, manufacture, and intended use of the instrument. Neither Magna-Power Electronics nor any of the associated sales organizations accept responsibility for personal injury, consequential injury, loss, or damage resulting from improper use of the equipment and accessories.

Installation and service must be performed only by properly trained and qualified personnel who are aware of dealing with electrical hazards. Ensure that the AC power line ground is properly connected to the MagnaLOAD electronic load chassis. Furthermore, other power grounds, including those connected to application maintenance equipment, must be grounded for both personnel and equipment safety.

This product is a Safety Class 1 instrument, provided with a protective earth terminal. The protective features of this product may be impaired if it is used in a manner not specified in the operation instructions.

Residual voltage. Lethal voltages may be present inside the MagnaLOAD electronic load even when the AC input voltage is disconnected. Only properly trained and qualified personnel should remove covers and access the inside of the MagnaLOAD electronic load.

During normal operation, the operator does not have access to hazardous voltages within the product's chassis. Depending on the application, high voltages hazardous to human safety may be present on the DC power terminals. Ensure that the DC power cables are properly labeled as to the safety hazards and that any inadvertent contact with hazardous voltages is eliminated.

Do not install substitute parts or perform unauthorized maintenance on the product.

These operating instructions form an integral part of the equipment and must be available to the operating personnel at all times. All the safety instructions and advice notes are to be followed.

⚠ Warning

General. Do not use this product in any manner not specified by the manufacturer. The protective features of this product may be impaired if it is used in a manner not specified in the operating instructions.

⚠ Warning

Environmental Conditions. Never use the instrument outside of the specified environmental conditions described in the Environmental Characteristics of the specifications.

⚠ Warning

Ground the Instrument. This product is provided with protective earth terminals. To minimize shock hazard, the instrument must be connected to the AC mains through a grounded power cable, with the ground wire firmly connected to an electrical ground (safety ground) at the power outlet. Any interruption of the protective (grounding) conductor or disconnection of the protective earth terminal will cause a potential shock hazard that could result in injury or death.

⚠ Warning

Before Applying Power. Verify that all safety precautions are taken. All connections must be made with the unit turned off, and must be performed by qualified personnel who are aware of the hazards involved. Improper actions can cause fatal injury as well as equipment damage. Note the instrument's external markings described under "Safety Symbols".

Warning

Do Not Operate in an Explosive Atmosphere. Do not operate the instrument in the presence of flammable gases or fumes.

Warning

Do Not Remove the Instrument Cover. Only qualified, service-trained personnel who are aware of the hazards involved should remove instrument covers. Disconnect the power cable and any external circuits before removing instrument covers.

Warning

Do Not Modify the Instrument. Do not install substitute parts or perform any unauthorized modification to the product, except with the direction of Magna-Power support personnel. Return the product to a Magna-Power authorized service center for repair.

Warning

In Case of Damage. Instruments that are not functioning correctly, appear damaged or defective should be made inoperative and secured against unintended operation until they can be repaired by qualified service personnel.

1.3. Safety Symbols



Direct current



Alternating current

CAUTION



Caution. Refer to documentation or notation for more information before proceeding.

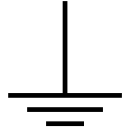
Caution, risk of electric shock. Refer to documentation or notation for more information before proceeding.



CAUTION



Caution, hot surface.



Earth ground terminal.



The ETL mark, which is a registered trademark of Intertek.



The CE mark, which is a registered trademark of the European Community.

1.4. Limited Warranty

The following is made in lieu of all warranties expressed or implied.

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All claims against the warranty shall be the final determination of Magna-Power Electronics, Inc.

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1.7. WEEE Directive 2002/96/EC

This product complies with the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive 2002/96/EC marking requirement. The affixed product label (see below) indicates that you must not discard this electrical/electronic product in domestic household waste.



Product Category: With reference to the equipment types in the WEEE directive Annex 1, this product is classified as “Monitoring and Control instrumentation” product.

Do not dispose products in domestic household waste.

To return unwanted products, [contact Magna-Power Electronics](#).

1.8. Declaration of Conformity

Magna-Power Electronics declares on its sole responsibility that the ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load complies with the essential requirement of the relevant European Directives, and is eligible to carry the CE mark.

For more details, please review the [ALx Series Declaration of Conformity](#).

1.9. Document Conventions

This user's manual uses several conventions to highlight certain words and phrases and draw attention to specific pieces of information.

! Note

Notes are tips, shortcuts or alternative approaches to the task at hand. Ignoring a note should have no negative consequences, but you might miss out on a time saving procedure.

! Warning

The warning sign denotes a hazard, calling attention to a procedure or practice. If a warning is not correctly performed or adhered to, it could result in personal injury. Do not proceed beyond a warning sign until the conditions are fully understood or met.

! Caution

The caution sign denotes a hazard, calling attention to a procedure or practice. If a caution is not correctly performed or adhered to, it could result in damage to the product. Do not proceed beyond a caution sign until the conditions are fully understood or met.

Source-code listings are also set in mono-spaced roman but add syntax highlighting as follows:

```
#!/usr/bin/python
# -*- coding: utf-8 -*-

from serial import Serial

class Magna(Serial):
def __init__(self, port, expected_serial_number=None, log=None):
    super(Magna, self).__init__(port, baudrate=19200, timeout=2.0)
    self.log = log if log else self.magna_log
    self.write('*CLS\r\n')
```

1.10. Additional Help and Feedback

For additional help or to provide feedback about the product's design and features, please contact: support@magna-power.com.

2. Product Introduction

2.1. Key Features

The ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load is available in power levels of 1.25 to 20 kW, ranging from rack-mount to floor-standing packages. Each power level has three models, with a wide voltage-current operating profile where full power can be achieved. The key features of the ALx Series is as follows:

Product Features

- MagnaLINK™ Distributed DSP Architecture
- 16-bit digital programming and monitoring resolution
- SCPI Remote Programming API
- Many control modes, including: voltage, current, power, resistance, and shunt regulator
- Wide voltage-current-power operating profile
- Integrated front and rear full control USB ports, RS485, and dual MagnaLINK™ ports, with LXI TCP/IP Ethernet and IEEE-488 GPIB available.
- Digital plug-and-play master-slaving
- Programmable protection limits
- Configurable external analog-digital user I/O
- Designed and manufactured in the USA

2.1.1. DC Input Features

- **Distributed DSP Digital Control** - Magna-Power's MagnaLINK™ technology provides distributed Texas Instrument DSP control across power processing stages inside the MagnaLOAD DC electronic load. This technology follows a significant internal development cycle from Magna-Power to provide a unified digital control platform across its electronic loads and power supplies, featuring fully digital control loops, adjustable control gains, programmable slew rates, digital master-slaving, and many new advanced control technologies.
- **Flexible Operating Modes** - To accommodate a variety of DC sources, all MagnaLOADs come with many configurable control modes, including: voltage mode, current mode, power mode, resistance mode, shunt regulator mode, rheostat mode (ARx Series and WRx Series only). Preference for DC regulation is given to the parameter in the selected mode within the programmed set-points. Using the MagnaLOAD's set-points and trip settings, the product

can be configured to either trip with a fault when a limit is exceeded or to cross-over into a different regulation state. Shunt Regulator Mode turns the MagnaLOAD into a high-speed smart braking resistor, engaging the DC input only when a specified voltage is exceeded by a user-defined percentage, while limiting the shunt current to a programmed set-point.

- **Programmable Output Protection** - Programmable over voltage trip (OVT), under voltage trip (UVT), and over current trip (OCT), and over power trip (OPT) allow the user to program in soft latching fault trips when the threshold is exceeded.
- **Wired Remote Sensing** - A set of remote sensing terminals are provided to sense voltage at the source and compensate for voltage drop in the cables.

2.1.2. Programming Features

- **High Accuracy and Resolution** - 16-bit (0.0015%) resolution and accuracy as low as $\pm 0.1\%$ (voltage control) ensures high accuracy and precision programming and measurement. A NIST traceable calibration certificate is provided at no charge with all new units.
- **Simultaneous Measurement Interfaces** - Voltage, current, power and resistance measurements are available simultaneously from the front panel meters, dedicated 0-10V analog output, and by computer command.
- **Included Drivers and SCPI Commands** - All MagnaLOAD DC electronic loads come with a dedicated National Instruments LabVIEW™ driver, Interchangeable Virtual Instrument (IVI) driver, and support for a wide range of Standard Commands for Programmable Instrumentation (SCPI). These programming interfaces support full control, measurement, and monitoring of the MagnaLOAD. All of the MagnaLOAD's available communication interfaces are supported by these drivers and command sets, including: USB, RS-485, LXI TCP/IP Ethernet, and IEEE-488 GPIB.
- **25-pin Configurable External User I/O Port** - Beyond the front panel and computer controls, all MagnaLOADs come standard with a 25-pin D-Sub connector designated as the External User I/O. This connector provides: 8 digital outputs, 4 digital inputs, 4 analog inputs. All the analog-digital I/O ports are configurable, allowing the user to select which parameters they want to control and monitor. This configurable I/O scheme reduces complexity, eases PLC integration and allows control parameters from various interfaces simultaneously. The MagnaLOAD's configurable analog inputs provide 0-10V programming from PLCs and external D/A converters.

2.1.3. System Features

- **Designed for Safety** - Extensive diagnostic functions are provided, including: over voltage trip (OVT), under voltage trip (UVT), over current trip (OCT), over power trip (OPT), thermal fault and interlock. When in standby or diagnostic fault, the DC input bus is disconnected via a switching device. A Lock function allows the user to prevent local changes to product settings. Finally, with a dedicated +5V interlock input pin and included +5V reference on all models, external emergency stop systems can be easily integrated using an external contact.

- **Digital Master-Slaving for Increased Power** - All MagnaLOADs come standard with a MagnaLINK™ Input and a MagnaLINK™ Output port, which provides plug and play digital master-slaving. Simply connect the master’s MagnaLINK™ Output to the slave’s MagnaLINK™ Input and, using the MagnaWEB software, the products will automatically configure themselves for master-slave operation as a higher-power unit based on the populated ports. Buffered digital MagnaLINK™ connections means many MagnaLOADs can be daisy-chained in master-slave operation. Master-slave MagnaLOAD units will aggregate measurements to one display panel. The internal MagnaLINK™ protocol was developed with expandability at the forefront. When configured for master-slave operation, the master controller takes control of all the slave’s digital “targets.” With this digital master-slaving strategy, it is completely transparent whether the unit is operating as a stand-alone product or in master-slave.
- **Tailor Performance with Integrated Options** - A variety of configured-to-order options are available for MagnaLOAD DC electronic loads are designed to be flexible, depending on the application’s requirements.
- **Designed and Manufactured in the USA** - For complete control of quality, MagnaDC programmable DC power supplies are designed and manufactured at Magna-Power’s vertically integrated USA manufacturing facility in Flemington, New Jersey. Heat-sinks and chassis are machined from aluminum. All sheet metal is fabricated and powder coated in-house. Magnetics are wound-to-order from validated designs based on a model’s voltage and current. An automated surface-mount production line places components on printed circuit boards for control, driver, auxiliary power, and display circuits. And finally after assembly, products undergo comprehensive test and calibration, followed by an extended burn-in period.

2.2. Models

The following tables list the available models in the ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load.

2.2.1. Model Ordering Guide

The following ordering guide defines how an ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load is defined:

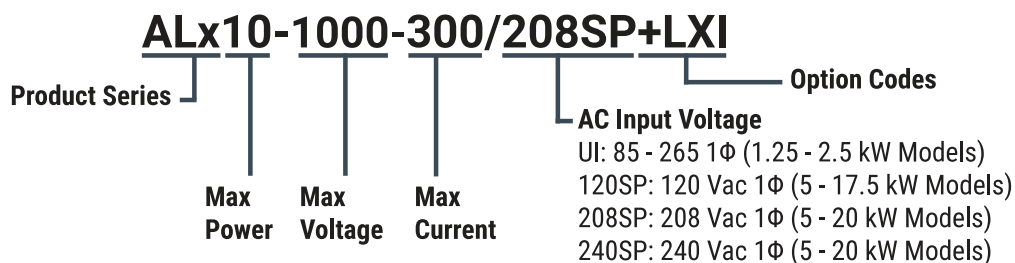


Fig. 2.1 ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load Model Ordering Guide

2.2.2. ALx Series Models

| Model | Max Power | Max Voltage | Max Current | Package Type | Min Voltage |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| ALx1.25-200-300 | 1.25 kW | 200 Vdc | 300 Adc | Rack-mount | 2.5 Vdc |
| ALx1.25-500-125 | 1.25 kW | 500 Vdc | 125 Adc | Rack-mount | 6.0 Vdc |
| ALx1.25-1000-37.5 | 1.25 kW | 1000 Vdc | 37.5 Adc | Rack-mount | 7.5 Vdc |
| ALx2.5-200-600 | 2.5 kW | 200 Vdc | 600 Adc | Rack-mount | 2.5 Vdc |
| ALx2.5-500-250 | 2.5 kW | 500 Vdc | 250 Adc | Rack-mount | 6.0 Vdc |
| ALx2.5-1000-75 | 2.5 kW | 1000 Vdc | 75 Adc | Rack-mount | 7.5 Vdc |
| ALx5-200-1200 | 5 kW | 200 Vdc | 1200 Adc | Floor-standing | 2.5 Vdc |
| ALx5-500-500 | 5 kW | 500 Vdc | 500 Adc | Floor-standing | 6.0 Vdc |
| ALx5-1000-150 | 5 kW | 1000 Vdc | 150 Adc | Floor-standing | 7.5 Vdc |
| ALx7.5-200-1800 | 7.5 kW | 200 Vdc | 1800 Adc | Floor-standing | 2.5 Vdc |
| ALx7.5-500-750 | 7.5 kW | 500 Vdc | 750 Adc | Floor-standing | 6.0 Vdc |
| ALx7.5-1000-225 | 7.5 kW | 1000 Vdc | 225 Adc | Floor-standing | 7.5 Vdc |
| ALx10-200-2400 | 10 kW | 200 Vdc | 2400 Adc | Floor-standing | 2.5 Vdc |
| ALx10-500-1000 | 10 kW | 500 Vdc | 1000 Adc | Floor-standing | 6.0 Vdc |
| ALx10-1000-300 | 10 kW | 1000 Vdc | 300 Adc | Floor-standing | 7.5 Vdc |
| ALx12.5-200-3000 | 12.5 kW | 200 Vdc | 3000 Adc | Floor-standing | 2.5 Vdc |
| ALx12.5-500-1250 | 12.5 kW | 500 Vdc | 1250 Adc | Floor-standing | 6.0 Vdc |
| ALx12.5-1000-375 | 12.5 kW | 1000 Vdc | 375 Adc | Floor-standing | 7.5 Vdc |
| ALx15-200-3600 | 15 kW | 200 Vdc | 3600 Adc | Floor-standing | 2.5 Vdc |
| ALx15-500-1500 | 15 kW | 500 Vdc | 1500 Adc | Floor-standing | 6.0 Vdc |
| ALx15-1000-450 | 15 kW | 1000 Vdc | 450 Adc | Floor-standing | 7.5 Vdc |
| ALx17.5-200-4200 | 17.5 kW | 200 Vdc | 4200 Adc | Floor-standing | 2.5 Vdc |
| ALx17.5-500-1750 | 17.5 kW | 500 Vdc | 1750 Adc | Floor-standing | 6.0 Vdc |
| ALx17.5-1000-525 | 17.5 kW | 1000 Vdc | 525 Adc | Floor-standing | 7.5 Vdc |
| ALx20-200-4800 | 20 kW | 200 Vdc | 4800 Adc | Floor-standing | 2.5 Vdc |
| ALx20-500-2000 | 20 kW | 500 Vdc | 2000 Adc | Floor-standing | 6.0 Vdc |
| ALx20-1000-600 | 20 kW | 1000 Vdc | 600 Adc | Floor-standing | 7.5 Vdc |

2.3. Specifications

2.3.1. Power Specifications

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|--|--|
| AC Input Voltage <i>1.25 kW to 2.5 kW Models</i> | 85 to 265 Vac (UI: Universal Input) 1 Φ , 2-wire + ground |
| AC Input Voltage <i>5 kW to 20 kW Models</i> | 120 Vac (120SP: operating range 108 to 132 Vac) 240 Vac (240SP: operating range 216 to 264 Vac) 1 Φ , 2-wire + ground |
| AC Input Frequency | 45-66 Hz |
| AC Input Isolation | \pm 1500 Vac, maximum AC input voltage to ground |
| DC Input Isolation | \pm 1500 Vdc, maximum DC input voltage to ground |

2.3.2. Programming Specifications

| | |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Resolution (All Modes) | 16-bit, 0.0015% |
| Accuracy | Voltage: \pm 0.1% of full scale voltage rating Current: \pm 0.2% of full scale current rating Power: \pm 0.3% of full scale power rating Resistance: \pm 0.3% of full scale resistance rating |
| Rise/Fall Time, Maximum | Voltage Mode: 100 ms, 10% to 90% max voltage Current Mode: 560 μ s, 10% to 90% max current Power Mode: 35 ms, 10% to 90% max power Resistance Mode: 40 ms, 10% to 90% max resistance |
| Trip Settings Range | Over Voltage: 10% to 110% of max voltage rating Under Voltage: 0% to 110% of max voltage rating Over Current: 10% to 110% of max current rating Over Power: 10% to 110% of max power rating |

2.3.3. Connectivity Specifications

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Communication Interfaces (Standard) | USB Host (Front): Type B USB Host (Rear): Type B RS485 (Rear): RJ-45 MagnaLINK™: RJ-25 x 2 External User I/O: 25-pin D-Sub female |
| Communication Interfaces (Optional) | LXI TCP/IP Ethernet (Rear): RJ-45 GPIB (Rear): IEEE-488 |

2.3.4. External User I/O Specifications

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Digital Inputs | 5 V, 10 kΩ impedance |
| Digital Monitoring Signals | 5 V, 32 mA capacity |
| Digital Reference Signals | 5 V output, 20 mA capacity |
| Analog Sampling Rate | 2 kHz |
| Analog Programming Input | 0-10 V |
| Analog Programming Impedance | 10 kΩ |
| Analog Programming Resolution | 12-bit, 0.025% |
| Analog Monitoring Signals | 0-10 V, 3 mA capacity |
| Analog Monitoring Impedance | 0.005 Ω |
| Analog Monitoring Accuracy | 0.05% of max rating |
| Analog Reference Signal | 10 V, 20 mA capacity |

2.3.5. Physical Specifications

| Power Level | Rack Units | Size | Weight |
|-------------|------------|---|------------------|
| 1.25 kW | 3U | 5.25" H x 19" W x 24" D (13.34 x 48.26 x 60.96 cm) | 40 lbs (18.1 kg) |
| 2.5 kW | 3U | 5.25" H x 19" W x 24" D (13.34 x 48.26 x 60.96 cm) | 65 lbs (29.5 kg) |

| | | | |
|----------------|-------------|--|--------------------|
| 5 kW | 12U Cabinet | 30.7" H x 24" W x 31.5" D (78.0 x 61.0 x 80.0 cm) | 255 lbs (115.7 kg) |
| 7.5 kW | 12U Cabinet | 30.7" H x 24" W x 31.5" D (78.0 x 61.0 x 80.0 cm) | 320 lbs (145.2 kg) |
| 10 kW | 12U Cabinet | 30.7" H x 24" W x 31.5" D (78.0 x 61.0 x 80.0 cm) | 385 lbs (174.6 kg) |
| 12.5 kW | 24U Cabinet | 58.25" H x 24" W x 31.5" D (148.0 x 61.0 x 80.0 cm) | 500 lbs (226.8 kg) |
| 15 kW | 24U Cabinet | 58.25" H x 24" W x 31.5" D (148.0 x 61.0 x 80.0 cm) | 565 lbs (256.3 kg) |
| 17.5 kW | 24U Cabinet | 58.25" H x 24" W x 31.5" D (148.0 x 61.0 x 80.0 cm) | 630 lbs (285.8 kg) |
| 20 kW | 24U Cabinet | 58.25" H x 24" W x 31.5" D (148.0 x 61.0 x 80.0 cm) | 695 lbs (315.3 kg) |

2.3.6. Environmental Specifications

| | |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Ambient Operating Temperature | 0°C to 50°C |
| Storage Temperature | -25°C to +85°C |
| Humidity | Relative humidity up to 95% non-condensing |
| Air Flow | Front air inlet, rear exhaust |

2.3.7. Regulatory Compliance

| | |
|----------------|---|
| EMC | Complies with European EMC Directive for test and measurement products, 2014/30 |
| Safety | Complies with EN61010-1:2010-02 |
| CE Mark | Yes |

2.4. Dimensional Diagrams

2.4.1. ALx Series - 1.25 kW and 2.5 kW Models

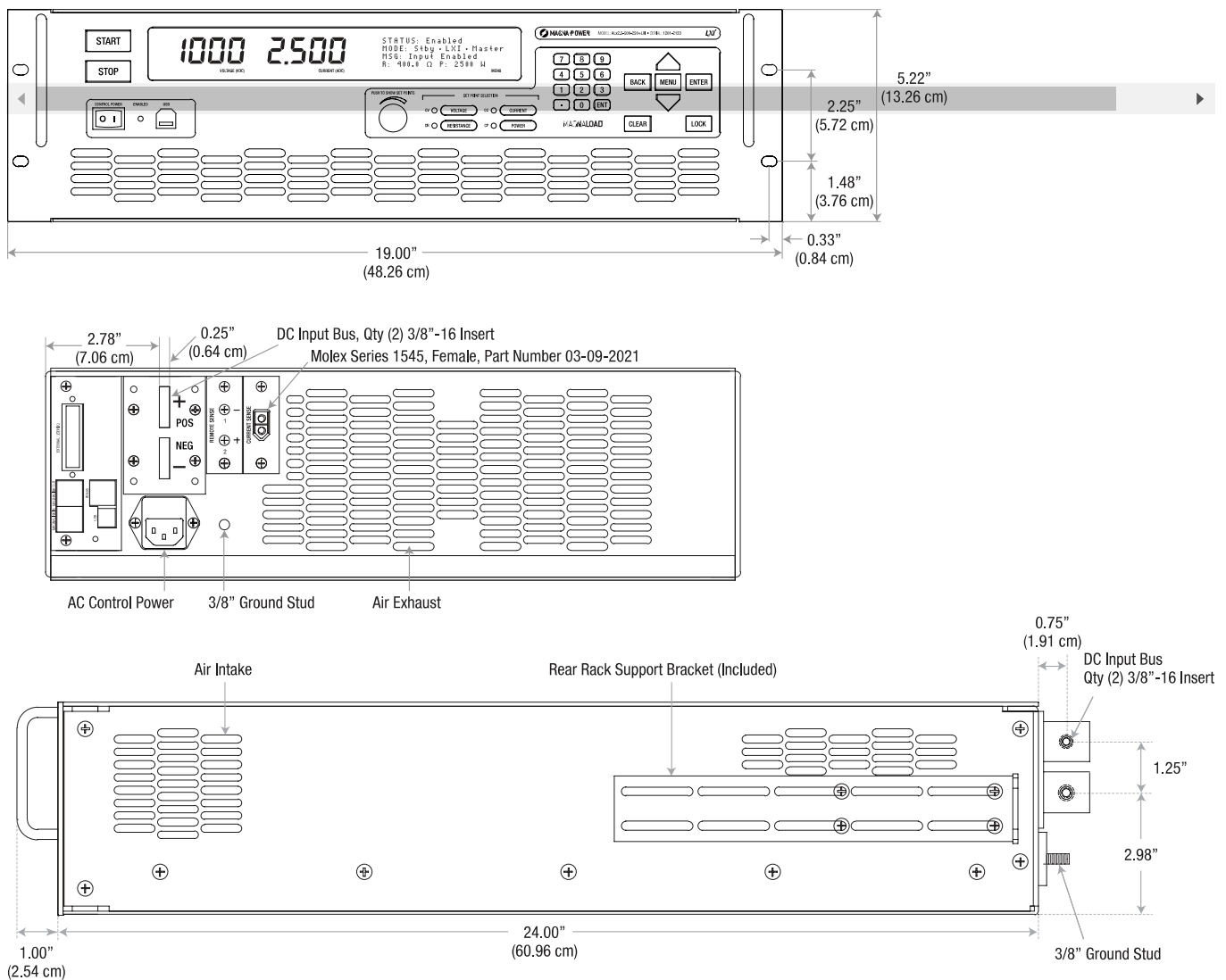


Fig. 2.2 ALx Series 1.25 kW and 2.5 kW rack-mount models front panel, rear panel, and side panel (top to bottom).

2.4.2. ALx Series - 5 kW to 20 kW Models

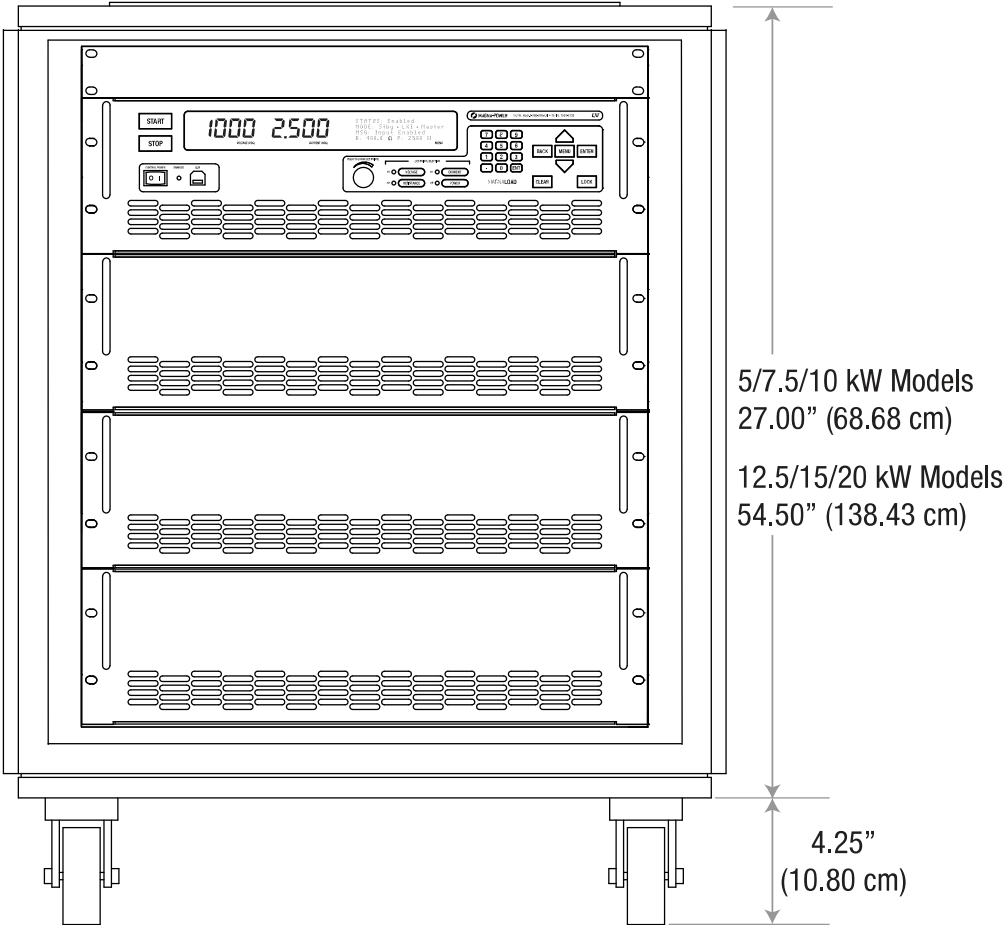


Fig. 2.3 Front panel dimensions for ALx Series 5 kW to 20 kW floor standing models.

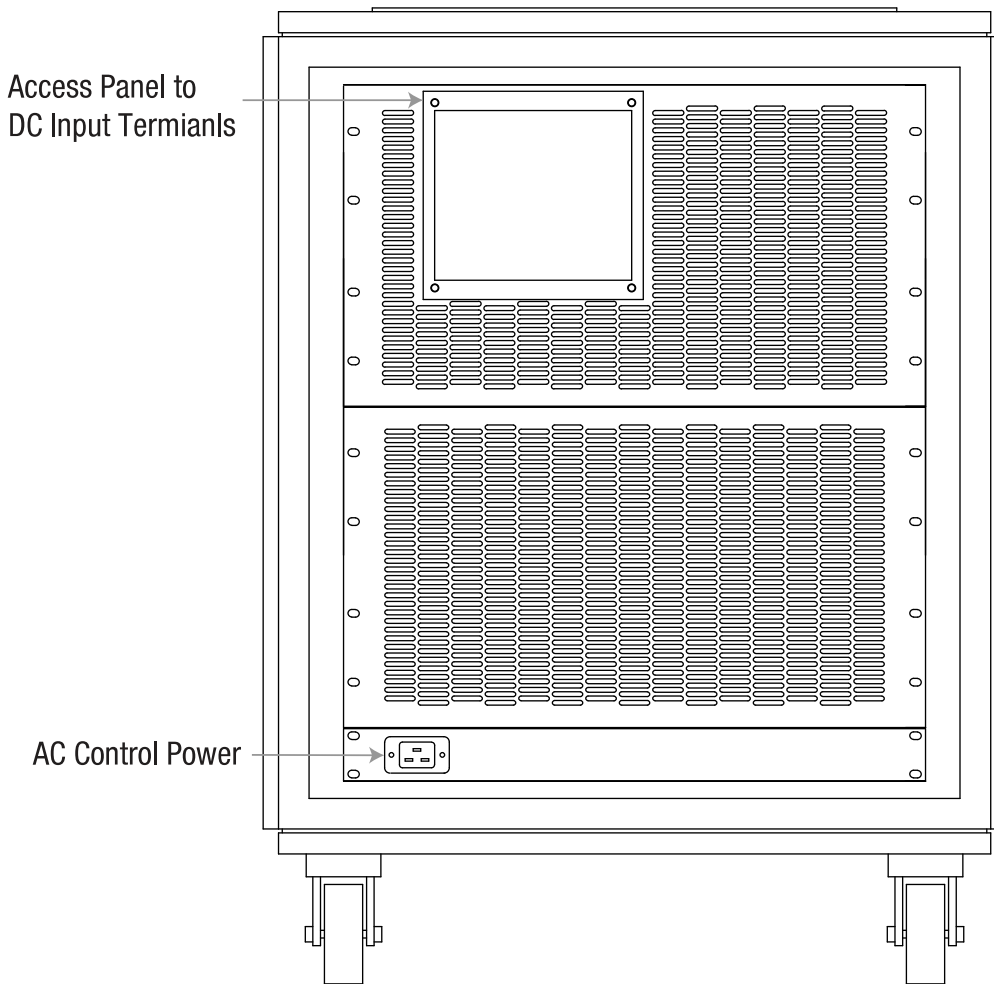


Fig. 2.4 Rear panel dimensions for ALx Series 5 kW to 20 kW floor standing models.

2.5. Options and Accessories

The following is a list of integrated options available for the ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load:

| Name | Option Code | Description |
|---------------------|-------------|--|
| LXI TCP/IP Ethernet | +LXI | Integrated TCP/IP Ethernet communications port |
| IEEE-488 GPIB | +GPIB | Integrated IEEE-488 GPIB communications port |
| Blank Front Panel | +BP | Front panel providing only control power, status LED, and USB port |

The following is a list of accessories available for the ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load:

| Name | Description |
|--------------|-----------------------|
| MagnaLINK-6 | 6-ft MagnaLINK Cable |
| MagnaLINK-12 | 12-ft MagnaLINK Cable |

| Name | Description |
|--------|---|
| MID-M | MagnaLINK Interface Device - Master |
| MID-S | MagnaLINK Interface Device - Slave |
| CAB1 | 12U Cabinet, 32" H x 24" W x 31.5" D |
| CAB2 | 24U Cabinet, 51.5" H x 24" W x 31.5" D |
| CAB3 | 30U Cabinet, 67" H x 24" W x 31.5" D |
| CAB4 | 36U Cabinet, 75" H x 24" W x 31.5" D |
| CAB3x2 | 60U Double Cabinet, 67" H x 48" W x 31.5" D |
| CAB4x2 | 72U Double Cabinet, 75" H x 48" W x 31.5" D |

! Note

Cabinets are only available for rack-mount MagnaLOAD electronic loads. Floor-standing MagnaLOAD electronic loads come standard integrated into cabinets.

2.6. Principle of Operation

Magna-Power Electronics MagnaLOAD DC electronic loads are offered in three variations: the ARx Series, the WRx Series, and the ALx Series. The ARx Series and WRx Series is comprised of a bank of MOSFETs and a series connected array of power resistors configured in a binary format. The ALx Series, which utilizes a more conventional electronic load circuit topology, is comprised simply as a bank of MOSFETs. Both models use three MOSFETs arranged in modular subassemblies called linear modules. These modules contain the necessary drive, feedback, and protection circuitry.

Fig. 2.5 shows a simplified version of the ARx Series and WRx Series, which includes two basic series connected elements: resistor R1 and current source Q1. The current source consists of MOSFET Q1, shunt resistor R2, and operational amplifier U1. Load current, I_L , is set with voltage V1 applied to the positive input of operational amplifier U1. V1 drives the gate of Q1 high until the voltage across the shunt resistor, VR2, equals that of V1. The load current, I_L , will be equal to $V1/R2$.

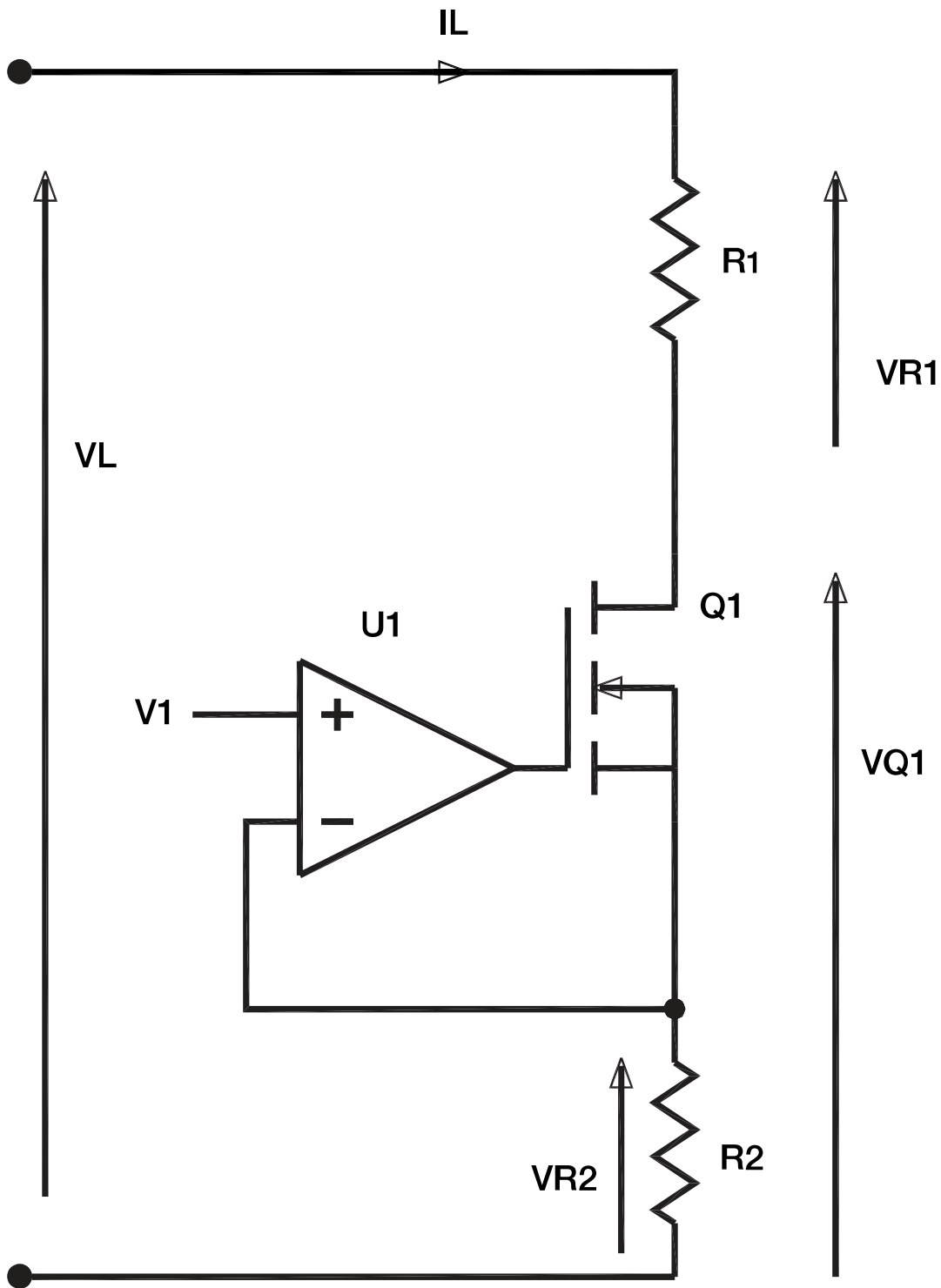


Fig. 2.5 Basic ARx Series and WRx Series MagnaLOAD dissipative component

Assuming the power across the shunt resistor is insignificant, the power dissipated in load resistor R_1 is $I_L \times V_{R1}$ and the power dissipated in MOSFET Q_1 is $I_L \times V_{Q1}$. The resistors can be operated at higher temperatures than the MOSFETs, simplifying cooling requirements of the passive elements. Keeping V_{Q1} small and V_{R1} large lowers system costs in comparison with purely semiconductor electronic loads. Adjusting the value of resistor R_1 is accomplished with a binary switching matrix.

Keeping the resistor switching increments small and over a wide range maintains the smallest voltages across the linear modules and over the widest operating range. The ARx Series and WRx Series has 31 resistor switching states to accomplish this goal. In parallel with the resistors is a shorting switch which provide a very low impedance to bypass the resistor matrix. With the shorting switch enabled, the ARx Series and WRx Series operates like a conventional electronic load and is capable of providing a near zero impedance. The power limit in this mode is that of the linear modules.

With the linear modules fully conducting, the ARx Series and WRx Series can operate solely with the resistor matrix providing 31 resistor states. This mode, called rheostat mode, has no feedback controls for automatic adjustment. Rheostat mode eliminates any possible instabilities between the source and load and is basically a programmable power resistor.

The linear modules have protection circuitry to protect itself from abusive conditions. Each linear module is protected against over current and over voltage conditions. These fault conditions are independent of normal feedback operation. Over current conditions causes shutdown of the system. Over voltage conditions operate in two states. If the voltage applied to the load exceeds it rating, the linear module first acts as a power Zener diode to clamp any transient voltage such as that produced by Ldi/dt . After short instant in time, the ARx series shuts down like over current protection.

The ALx Series uses the same linear modules as the ARx Series. The ALx series has no resistor matrix and no shorting switch. The ALx Series uses 12 linear modules for 2,500 Watt operation, while the ARx Series and WRx Series uses 4 linear modules for 6,750 Watt and 12,500 Watt operation, respectively. The ALx Series has a wider constant power range since there is no restriction with application of the resistor matrix.

The control system has multiple digital signal processors (DSPs), a minimum of 4 are used with others depending on external communications. The combination gives both the ARx and ALx Series powerful control in regulating current, voltage, power, resistance, and rheostat mode. Both the ARx Series and ALx Series use the same control scheme. Like all Magna-Power products, all control circuitry is referenced to earth ground eliminating ground loops between communications equipment.

3. Installation

3.1. Inspection

Carefully unpack the MagnaLOAD electronic load and accessories saving all packing materials and included enclosures. Inspect the product for possible shipping damage. Check that there are no broken knobs or connectors, the external surface is not scratched or dented, the meter faces are not damaged, and all controls move freely. Any external damage may be an indication of internal damage. If there is any damage, notify the shipping carrier and [Magna-Power](#) immediately.

The following parts are included with all MagnaLOAD electronic load models:

- ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load
- USB cable (Type A to Type B)
- Rear metal cover with required fastening hardware
- Qty (2) rear support brackets
- Qty (16) 10-32 screws
- Qty (8) 10-32 flat washers and lock washers
- USB drive with software, drivers, and digital documentation
- Calibration certificate with Declaration of Conformity
- AC input cable

3.2. Rack Installation

The 1.25 kW and 2.5 kW ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load models are intended for rack-mount installation, designed to fit in a standard 19" equipment rack. When installing into a rack, both front and rear support is required. Fixed rear rack-mount support brackets are provided for the the product's rear. The unit should be horizontally mounted.

⚠ Caution

The ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load is too heavy for one person to safely lift and mount. To avoid injury, always seek assistance from a co-worker before trying to lift and install the product into a rack.

The following steps, which reference [fig-installation-rack-alx](#), should be followed when installing the 1.25 kW and 2.5 kW ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load models into a rack:

1. Install 8 clip nuts on the rack frame; 4 for front support and 4 for rear support.
2. Install the rear rails onto the MagnaLOAD electronic load, but not the mating rear rail ears.
3. While providing support for the MagnaLOAD electronic load, fasten the front ears to the rack using the provided 10-32 screws.
4. While continuing to provide support for the MagnaLOAD electronic load, attach the mating rear rail ears onto the rear rails using the provided 10-32 screws. Adjust the position of the rear rail ears to align snugly with the rear rack rails before tightening.
5. Fasten the rear ears to the rack using the provided 10-32 screws.

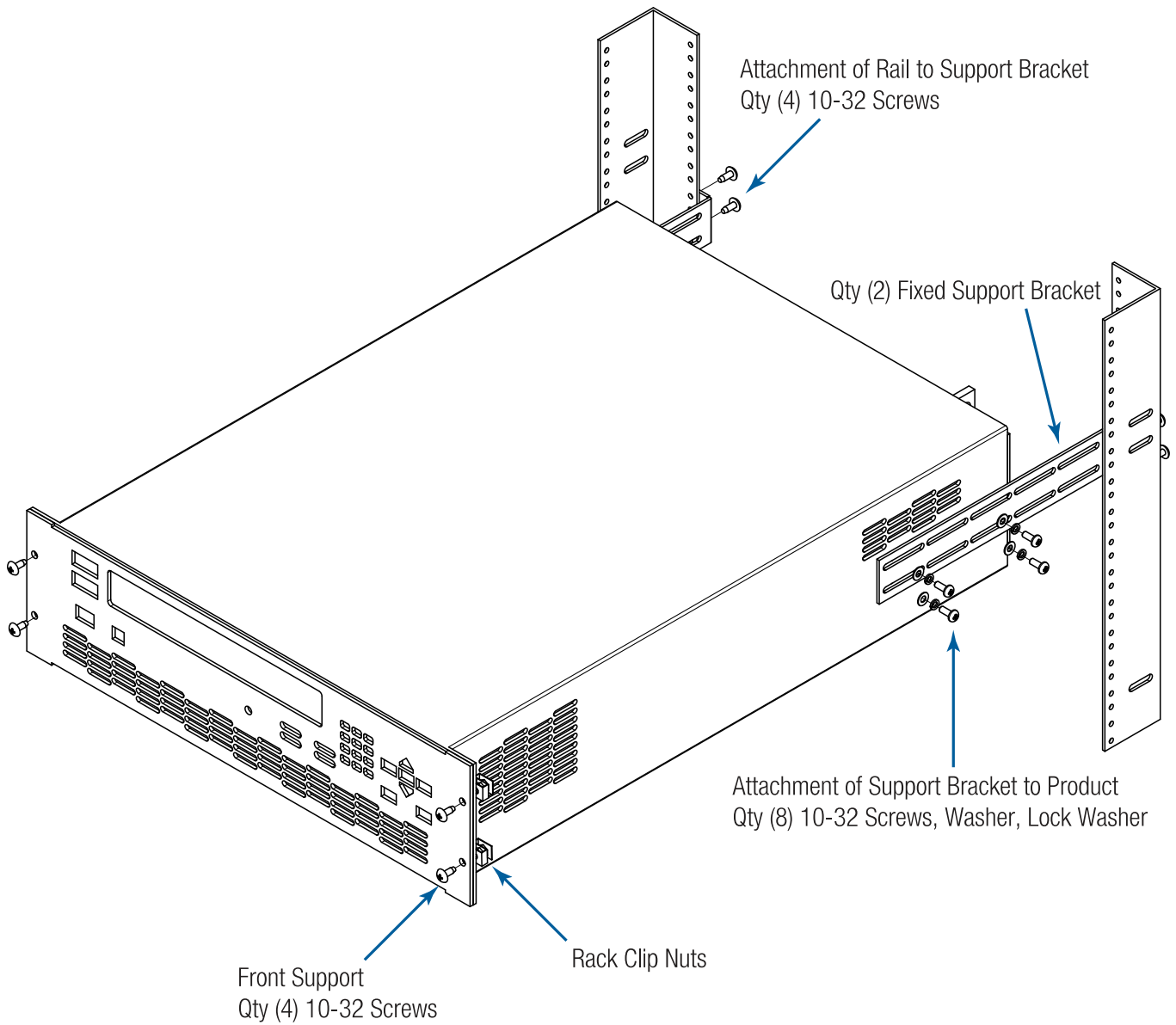


Fig. 3.1 Rack mount installation diagram for the ALx Series

3.2.1. Cooling Requirements

The 1.25 kW and 2.5 kW ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load models features integrated fans to pull in cool air from the front and sides and exhausts warm air from the rear. Air intake from only the front and sides of the product allow two or more MagnaLOAD electronic load to be stacked with zero clearance between units. Equipment racks housing the MagnaLOAD electronic load should be equipped with either an open back or cabinet fans to remove heat generated by the MagnaLOAD electronic load. If installing these models into an enclosure, Magna-Power recommends fresh air intake from the bottom of the cabinet and exhaust at the top and/or rear.

The 5 kW to 20 kW ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load models come in a floor-standing enclosure that features integrated fans to pull in cool air from the front and bottom and exhaust warm air from the top and rear.

The following table provides Magna-Power's recommended cabinet air-flow when installing the 1.25 kW and 2.5 kW ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load models in a fully enclosed cabinet:

| ALx Model Power Level | Maximum Heat Produced | Recommend Cabinet Air Flow |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 1.25 kW | 4.27 kBTU/hr | 400 CFM |
| 2.5 kW | 8.53 kBTU/hr | 800 CFM |

⚠ Caution

Do not block the air intake on the front or sides of the product, nor the exhaust at the rear of the product. Blocking these vents could cause the product to overheat.

3.3. AC Input Connection

A single-phase AC input connection is used to provide a ground reference and power for the MagnaLOAD electronic load fans and control circuits. The AC input power requirements are defined on the MagnaLOAD electronic load product rating label. The AC input requirements are further defined in this section.

To provide AC power to the MagnaLOAD electronic load, connect the provided power cord to the IEC 60320 AC power receptacle. The IEC 60320 connector type depends on the product's AC input power requirement and configuration. For 1.25 kW and 2.5 kW models, an IEC 60320 C13 receptacle is used, as shown in `fig-installation-power-plug-c13`. For 5 kW to 20 kW models, an IEC 60320 C19 receptacle is used, as shown in `fig-installation-power-plug-c19`.

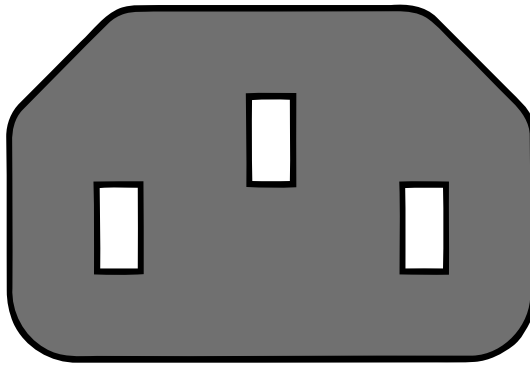


Fig. 3.2 ALx Series IEC 60320 C13 AC power receptacle

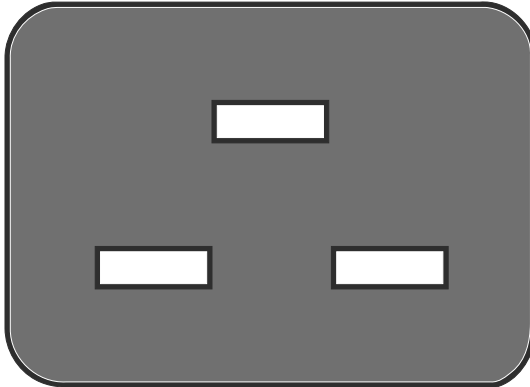


Fig. 3.3 ALx Series IEC 60320 C19 AC power receptacle

Note

For ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load model with AC input type 208SP or 240SP, the utility side is unterminated. The appropriate connector will need to be installed by the user.

Warning

The power cord provides a chassis ground through the third conductor. Be certain that your power outlet is of the three-conductor type with the correct pin connected to earth ground.

Note

For 5 kW to 20 kW models, the AC input voltage is fixed at time of order due to the cabinet fan requirements. 1.25 kW and 2.5 kW rack-mount products have a universal 1-phase input.

The following tables provide the AC input requirements for various ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load configurations:

| ALx Series Rated Power Level | AC Input Voltage Range | AC Input Current Range | AC Power Rece |
|------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| 1.25 kW | 85-265 Vac (UI) | 2.4-0.9 Aac | IEC 60320 C13 |
| 2.5 kW | 85-265 Vac (UI) | 2.4-0.9 Aac | IEC 60320 C13 |

| ALx Series Rated Power Level | AC Input Current 120SP Input | AC Input Current 208SP Input | AC Input Current 240SP Input |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 5 kW | 8.2 Aac | 6.8 Aac | 6.2 Aac |
| 7.5 kW | 10.3 Aac | 8.2 Aac | 7.3 Aac |
| 10 kW | 12.4 Aac | 9.6 Aac | 8.4 Aac |
| 12.5 kW | 14.5 Aac | 11 Aac | 9.5 Aac |
| 15 kW | 16.6 Aac | 12.4 Aac | 10.6 Aac |
| 17.5 kW | 18.7 Aac | 13.8 Aac | 11.7 Aac |
| 20 kW | N/A | 15.2 Aac | 12.8 Aac |

3.4. DC Input Connection

ⓘ Caution

Disconnect AC power from the mains before attempting any installation procedure.

The input of the ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load is connected to the DC bus by attaching two cables to the input bus bars, as shown in [fig-installation-rack-dc-alx](#). Magna-Power recommends cables be crimped to ring terminals and securely fastened to bus bars using the included 3/8" bolts, washers, and lock washers. The bus bars contain 3/8"-16 threaded inserts. The recommended torque for the DC connection is 240 in-lbf (27.1 N-m). The recommended wire size for different input currents are shown in the table below.

5 kW to 20 kW models are comprised of multiple modules interconnected by a larger bus bars. Additional fastening locations are available on these models to accommodate their increased power ratings. Larger gauge or multiple parallel wires may be necessary for each terminal. For multiple parallel connections, Magna-Power recommends the wires be the same length from end-to-end.

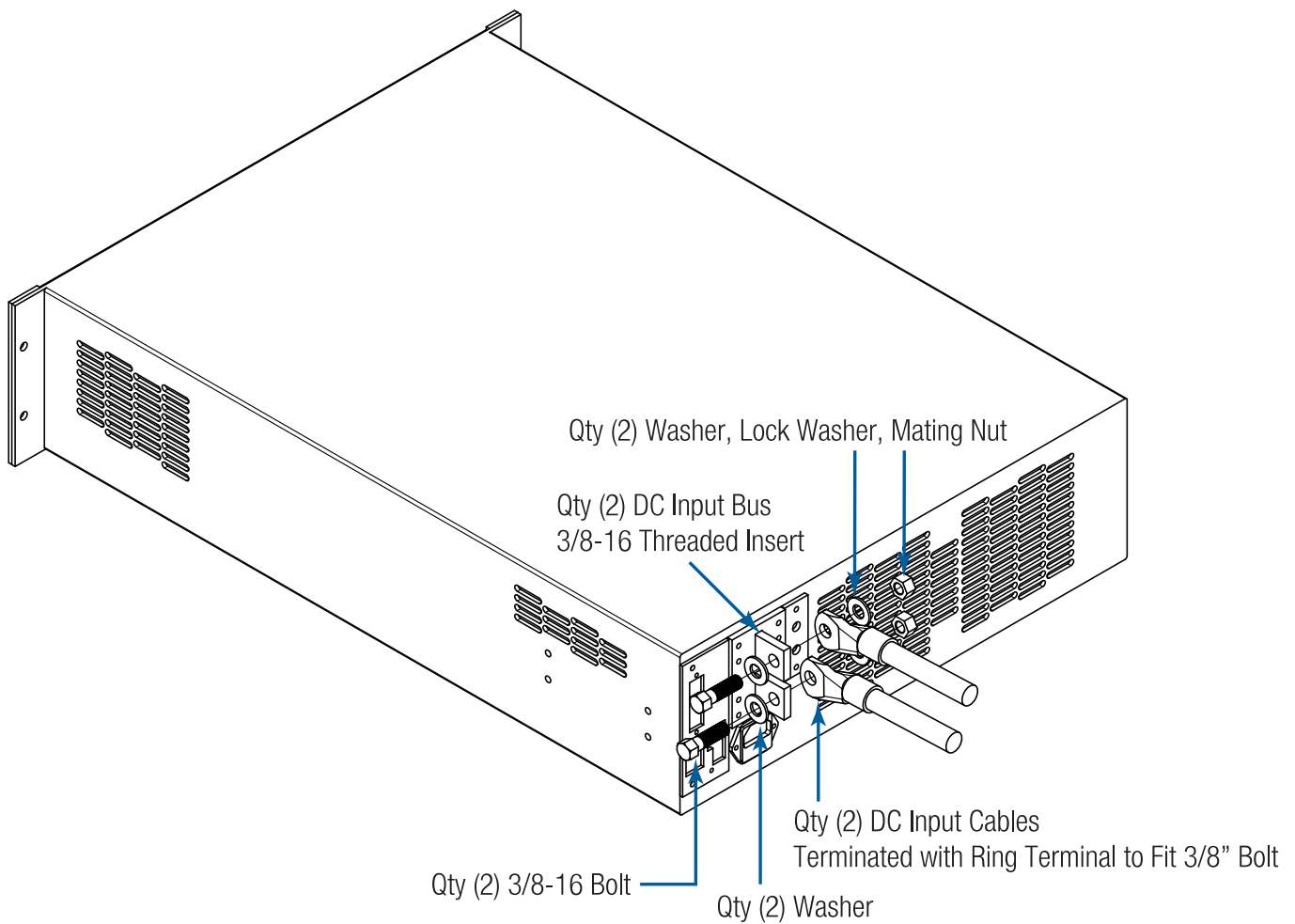


Fig. 3.4 DC input connection for the 1.25 kW and 2.5 kW ALx Series models

The following table provides the suggested DC ampacities of AWG (American Wire Gauge) copper wire. Paralleled DC cables may be required for larger-ampacity MagnaLOAD electronic load. Ampacity ratings are based on single conductor in 25 °C ambient free air, with a conductor rated for 60 °C.

Tip

For DC cabling, Magna-Power highly recommends flexible General Cable Carol® Brand Carolprene® cable, used by Magna-Power and many of its customers.

Caution

Make sure DC connections are tightened in accordance with Magna-Power's provided torque specification to avoid overheating of the bus bars.

Notes:

1. Capacity for AWG wires derived from the National Electric Code. Maximum ambient temperature: 40°C. Maximum wire temperature: 90°C. Continuous duty with wires in free air, not bundled or in conduit.
2. Capacity of aluminum wire is approximately 84% of the capacity listed for copper wire.
3. For higher current levels, it's recommended to use bus bars with additional fastening locations allowing for more wire feeds or direct bus bar connection to the load.

A chassis ground reference is also provided on the rear near the DC bus bars, which is tied to the AC input ground. The recommended torque for the ground stud is 55 in-lbf (6.21 N-m).

For rack-mount models, after connections are made, screw the four standoffs into the back panel and place the protective shield over the connections.

For DC bus connections exceeding 315 A dc, Magna-Power recommends multiple runs of 4/0 cabling in parallel. Custom DC bus work may be required to either extend the MagnaLOAD electronic load's DC bus bars allowing additional DC wire connections, or to make a direct connection with the DC bus work. With increased cable bundling, the ampacity rating of the DC cables will decrease, as less surface area is in free air to cool the wires.

3.4.1. Remote Sense Connection

Remote sensing can improve regulation at a remote reference point. For example, appreciable voltage drop can occur in the wire between the power supply and load as the current increases. By default, the load operates in local sense, where feedback is internally connected to the load's input terminals. However, the load can also operate in remote sense, and compensate for wire voltage drop by connecting its high-impedance sense wires to the power source terminals. When the remote sense setting is enabled the feedback measurements are taken from the remote sense leads.

The remote sense setting is accessible from either the [front panel](#) configuration or by [computer command](#). Magna-Power recommends using 20 AWG wires with the remote sense screw terminals. Connect the MagnaLOAD electronic load's positive remote sense lead to the positive of the DC source terminals. Connect the MagnaLOAD electronic load's negative remote sense lead to the negative terminal of the DC source.

⚠ Caution

Always ensure that the positive remote sense lead corresponds to the positive DC bus and, likewise, the negative remote sense lead corresponds to the negative DC bus. Connecting sense wires with an incorrect polarity can result in equipment damage.

The MagnaLOAD electronic load remote sense implements Smart Sense Detection, which shuts down and protects the product in the event that sense leads are disconnected while live or when the user leaves leads disconnected on start. Remote sense moves the feedback point external to the product. A floating sense connection creates a dangerous open-loop condition.

The MagnaLOAD electronic load protects itself by monitoring both remote and local sense points continuously. When remote sense is enabled, the load will automatically switch from local sense to remote sense. The load stays in remote sense mode as long as the voltage difference between remote and local sense measurements is within $\pm 5\%$ of the MagnaLOAD electronic load's rated voltage. When the load fails to achieve these operating condition, it enters into a soft fault and displays a remote sense loss message on the front display.

3.5. External User I/O Connection

The ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load has a 25-pin External User I/O port located in the product's rear. The External User I/O connector is a standard female D-Sub 25-pin connector. The removable screw-locks provide means of securing mating connectors with commercially available 4-40 threaded hardware. The torque limit for the screw locks is 2 in-lb (0.23 N-m) applied from the mating face side. The maximum push out force is 20 lb-force (89 N) applied from the mating face side.

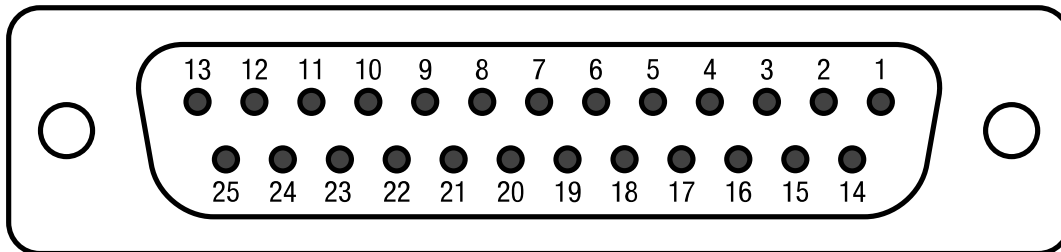


Fig. 3.5 External User I/O D-Sub 25-pin Connector and Pin Layout

3.6. Computer Connection

This section describes how to connect various communication interfaces to your MagnaLOAD electronic load. Beyond installation, more detailed information about the communication interfaces and programming instructions is described in: [Operation: Computer Programming](#). All available communication interfaces: USB, LXI TCP/IP Ethernet, and IEEE-488 GPIB interfaces operated on a shared bus; only one interface can be active at a time. If none of these interfaces are connected, the MagnaLOAD electronic load defaults to RS485. The active communication interface is denoted in the front panel status menu display.

3.6.1. USB Interface

Universal Serial Bus (USB) interfaces are available on the front (USB2) and the rear (USB1) of the ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load. Both accept USB Type B connectors and only one is active at a time. A particular port becomes active when a cable is plugged into USB connector and the other end is connected to a powered host. USB2 will always take precedence over USB1.

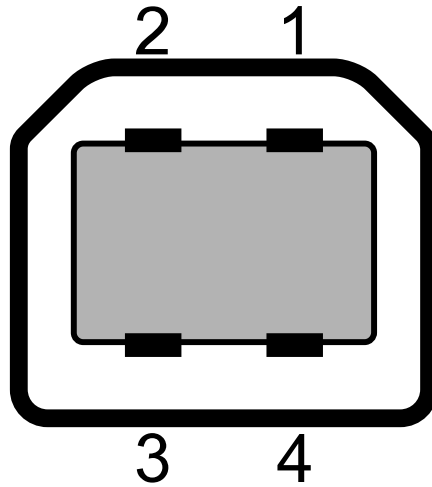


Fig. 3.6 USB Type B receptacle and pin layout

3.6.2. RS485 Interface

The ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load supports RS485 communications through a RJ45 connector located on the rear communications panel, as shown in [Fig. 3.7](#). The signals A (Data +), B (Data -), and GND are wired to pins 1, 2, and 7 of the RS485 RJ45 connector, respectively. The remaining pins are electrically disconnected. RS485 interface is always connected provided no other communication interface cables are connected.

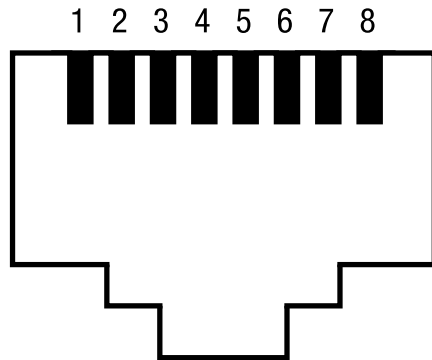


Fig. 3.7 RS485 RJ45 receptacle and pin layout

Note

Refer to the [ANSI/TIA-568 telecommunications standard](#) for the most common pin-to-pair assignments found on Ethernet cables: T568A and T568B.

3.6.3. Ethernet Interface

The ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load supports an Ethernet option through an RJ45 connector located on the rear communication panel, as shown in Fig. 3.8. The LXI option activates after receiving its first SCPI command. At that point, the front display panel will show the interface change from either USB1, USB2, or RS485 to LXI. The only way to return to those interfaces is to power cycle the MagnaLOAD electronic load. The LXI TCP/IP Ethernet interface, connector JS5, is detailed in Ethernet Interface.

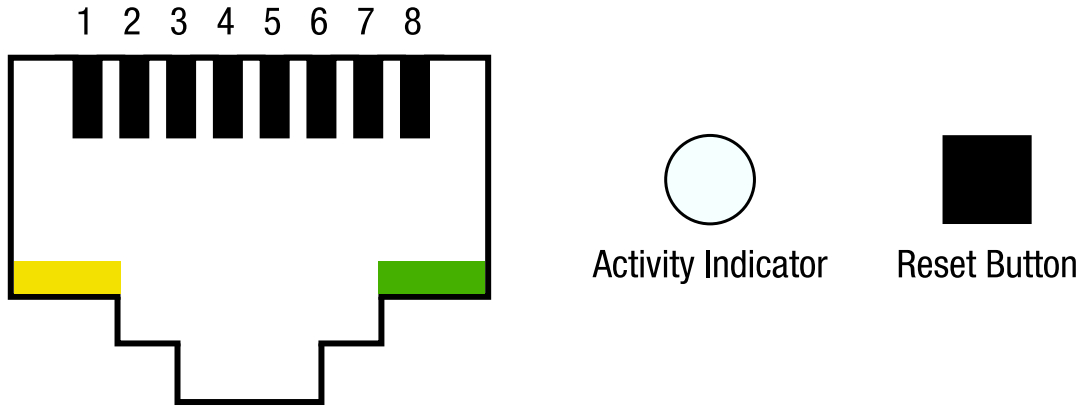


Fig. 3.8 LXI TCP/IP Ethernet RJ45 receptacle and pin layout

3.6.4. IEEE-488 GPIB Interfaces

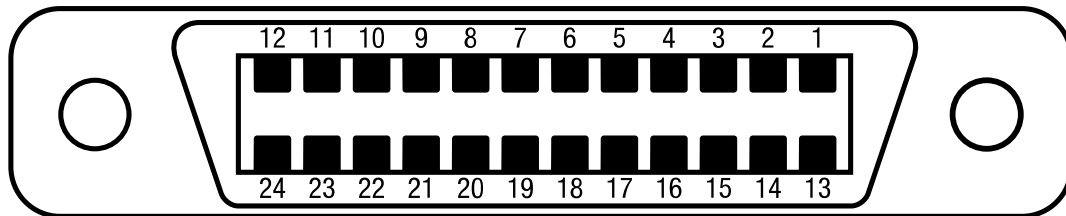


Fig. 3.9 IEEE-488 GPIB receptacle and Pin Layout

3.7. Electrical Check

Turn on the MagnaLOAD electronic load using the black control power switch on the bottom left of the front panel. Immediately after turn-on, the MagnaLOAD electronic load undergoes a self-test that checks control and input circuitry. The Magna-Power emblem should be displayed during this self-test along with the word MagnaLOAD electronic load.

ⓘ Note

After turning the unit on, it will take about 5 seconds for the MagnaLOAD electronic load to initialize before it is ready for use.

When self-test is complete, the Menu display should show the unit's Standby status, the voltage meter should show whatever the DC bus voltage is, and the current meter should show *0.000*. The fans should be running at a low speed.

If the self test fails, the fans do not come on, or the unit fails to come into standby, power off the MagnaLOAD electronic load off and back on with the black power switch. If you continue to have similar issues, contact [Magna-Power support](#) for further assistance.

3.8. Firmware Update

Firmware updates are performed through the MagnaWEB software, available for [download](#) on the Magna-Power Electronics website. MagnaWEB and firmware are released together, where newer versions of MagnaWEB will sometimes require upgrading the firmware. Firmware is forward upgrading only. Review previous MagnaWEB change logs before replacing firmware, since the older firmware can not be restored. Both forward and backward installation paths are supported for MagnaWEB software. When MagnaWEB establishes communications with the MagnaLOAD electronic load, it queries all board hardware revisions and firmware versions, to determine compatibility. If the MagnaLOAD electronic load is not compatible with the software, the option to downgrade the software or upgrade the firmware is provided, as shown in a pop-up dialog in [Fig. 3.10](#). Before upgrading firmware make sure sources are disconnected and the MagnaLOAD electronic load is in standby.

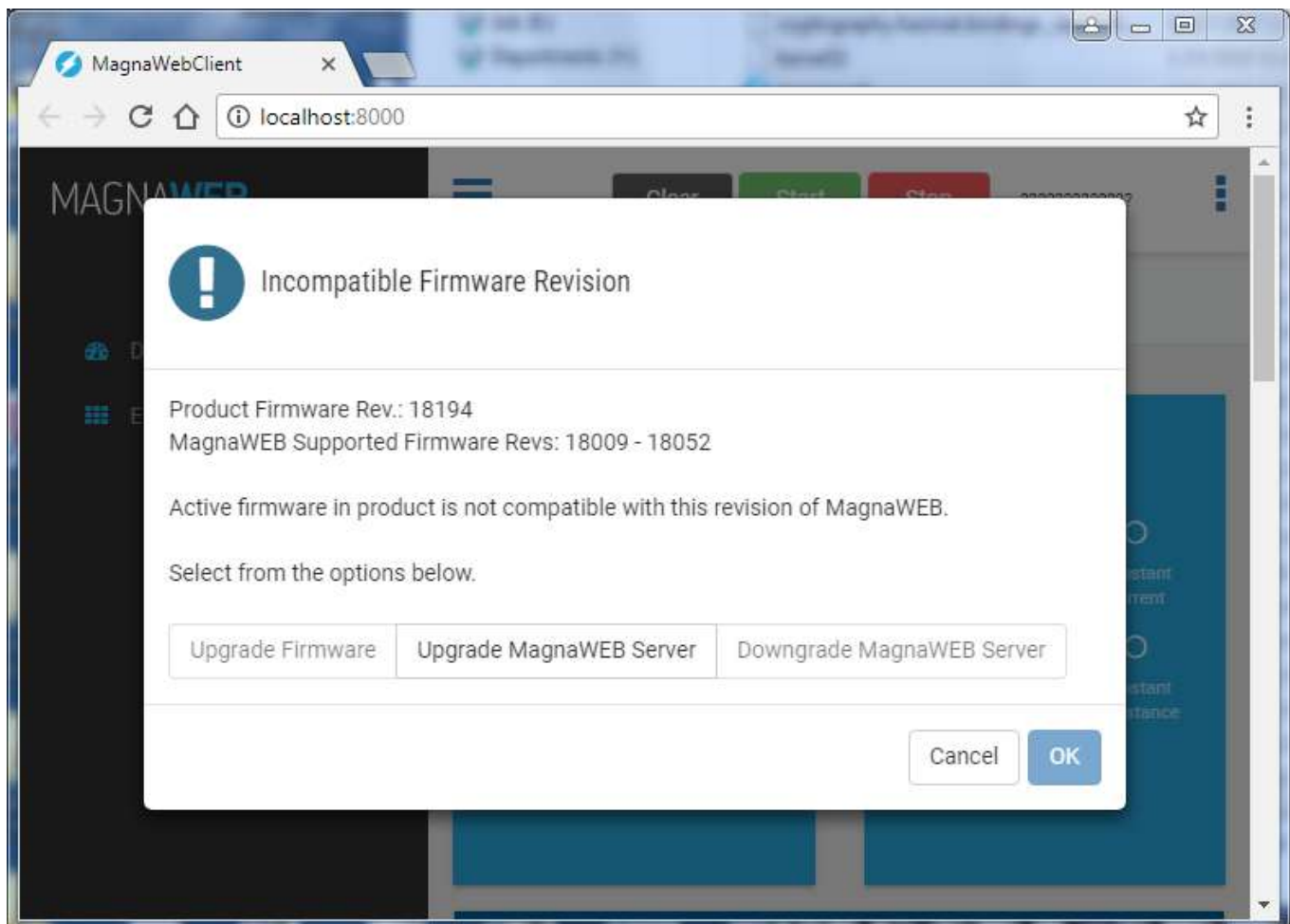


Fig. 3.10 Incompatibility Dialog

4. Features and Functions

4.1. Set-Points

Set-points are user reference values that describe the desired steady-state operation of the MagnaLOAD electronic load. In combination with the feedback [Regulation States](#), the difference between the set-point and corresponding measurements are driven to zero over time. Some set-points will be disabled in menus or have no effect on the operation. For example, in Constant [Current Mode](#), voltage feedback is disabled, and the voltage set-point has no impact on the operation of the MagnaLOAD electronic load.

4.2. Commands

The ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load features a variety of commands, which can all be accessed from the [front panel](#), [external user I/O](#), and [computer interface](#).

4.2.1. Start

The Start command engages the MagnaLOAD electronic load's DC input to allow the product to begin dissipating power, transitioning the [status](#) from Disabled to Enabled. The Start command switches the dissipative elements into of the DC circuit using a high-speed switching device.

4.2.2. Stop

The Stop command disengages the MagnaLOAD electronic load's DC input to stop the product from dissipating power, transitioning the [status](#) from Enabled to Disabled. The Stop command switches the dissipative elements out of the DC bus using a high speed switching device.

⚠ Warning

Even when the Stop command is issued and the MagnaLOAD electronic load's status is Disabled, there could still be hazardous voltages on the DC input from an externally connected DC source. Ensure that all instrument connections, load wiring, and load connections are either insulated or covered so that no accidental contact with lethal output voltages can occur. Always use a voltmeter to test the DC bus before making any connections.

4.2.3. Clear

The Clear command unlatches all soft-faults conditions and returns the MagnaLOAD electronic load to standby, allowing the user to resume normal operation of the product. All soft-fault conditions must be resolved before clearing the latch. Once the fault has been cleared, the input can be re-enabled with the [Start command](#).

4.2.4. Lock

The Lock command secures settings by locking the MagnaLOAD electronic load, preventing changes to set-points and configuration settings through the front panel. When the MagnaLOAD electronic load is locked, the [front panel](#) Lock button is back-lit red. In addition, the Lock status can be configured as one of the [external user I/O](#) digital outputs or queried by [computer interface](#).

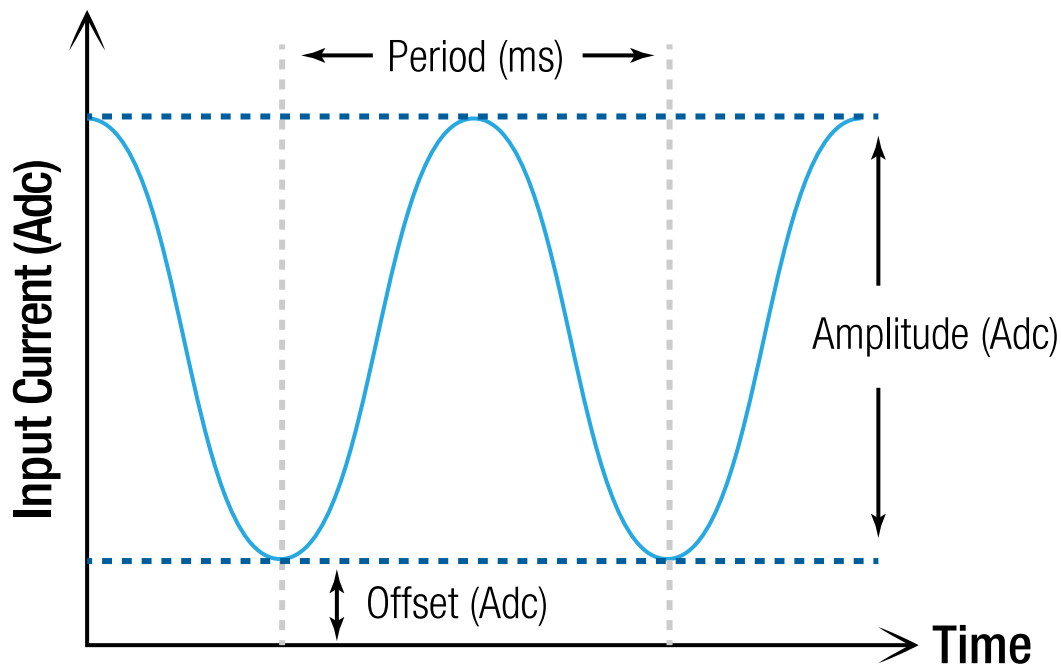
4.3. Function Generator

The function generator makes the ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load sink current according to an internally generated waveform. This feature simplifies dynamic-load test setups since the generation is self contained and conveniently customized through the front panel menu system. Each of the function types available have a different signal-processing algorithm for accepting input parameters and outputting a periodic signal.

The function generator is enabled by choosing it as a *Setpoint Source* through menus *System Settings - Setpoint Source - Function Generator*. Once enabled, all set point changes from other sources are ignored. The generator algorithm, selected through menus *Function Generator - Function Type*, is subject to limitations of the sample rate and look-up table size. The algorithm can update at a rate of 0.5 ms. As such, the period is limited such that 4 samples are output per period (2 ms). The maximum period is restricted to 65000 ms. Set point related parameters (Amplitude, LoLevel, Offset, etc.) are limited to the product's rated current.

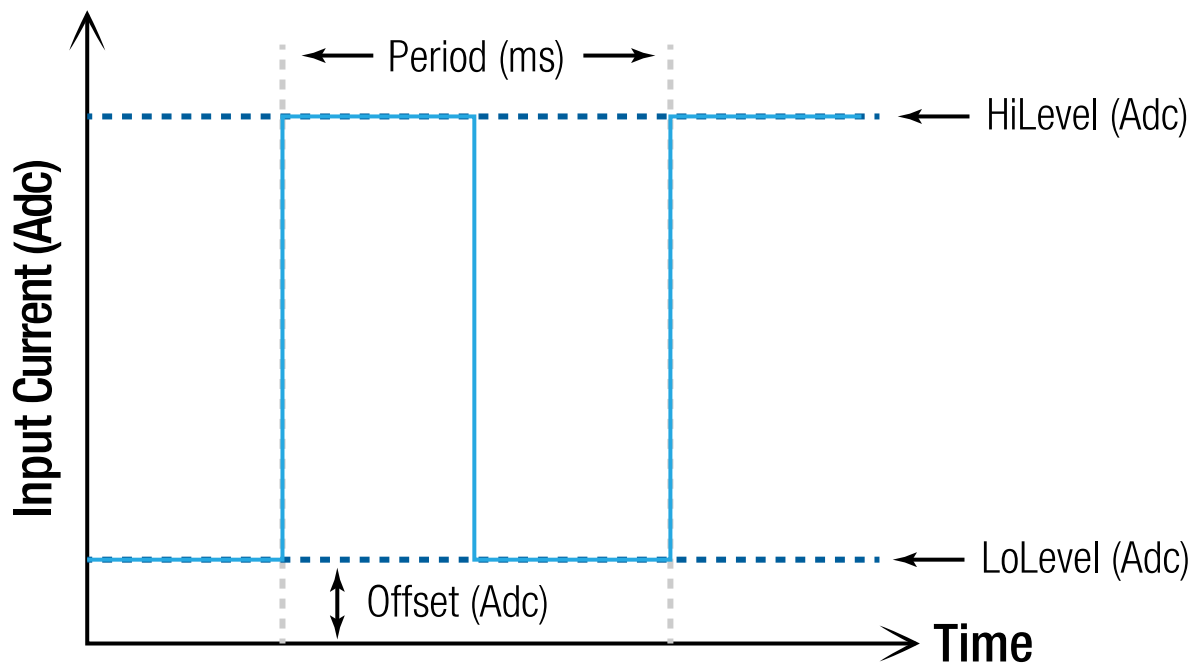
4.3.1. Sinusoid

The sinusoid function produces its waveform using the direct digital synthesis (DDS) method. Set points are loaded from a 1024 point sinusoid lookup table and scaled at fixed-sample intervals. The function is selected through menus *Function Generator - Function Type - Sinusoid*. The amplitude is set through menus *Function Generator - Function Type - Sinusoid Parameters - Amplitude(Adc)*. From the same parent menu, offset and period are set in menus *Offset(Adc)* and *Period(ms)*, respectively. These parameters and their effect on the waveform are illustrated in [fig-function-sinusoid](#).



4.3.2. Square

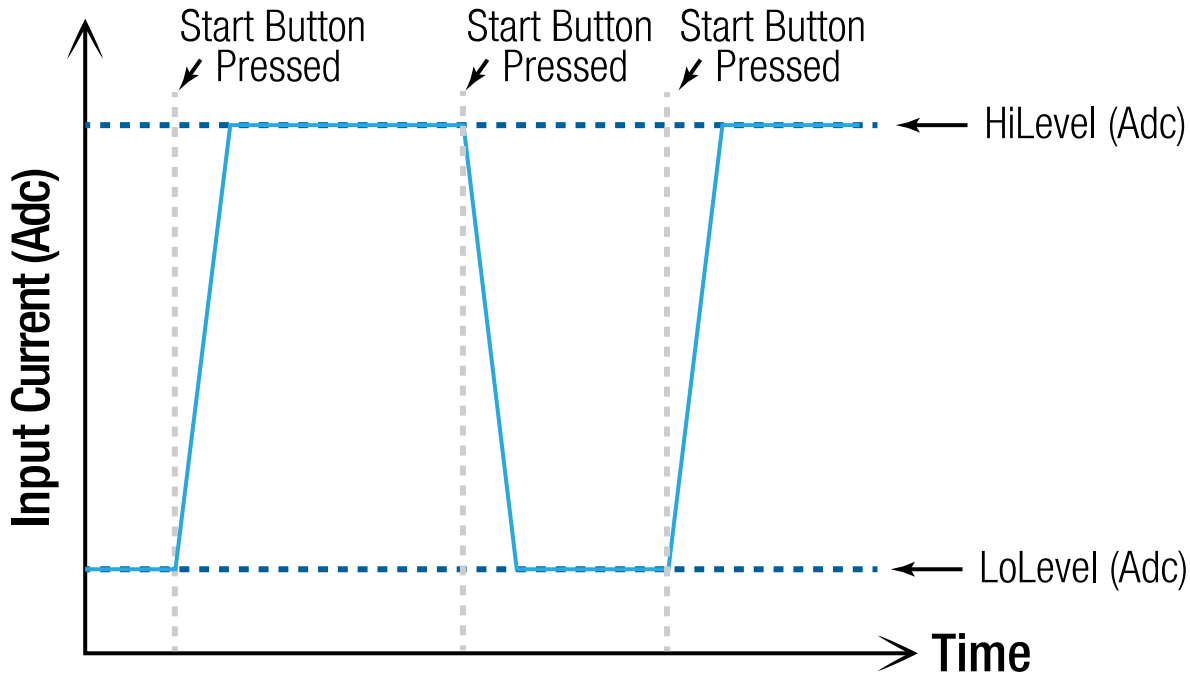
The square function produces its waveform by logically changing set points after a programmed period of time. The function is selected through menus *Function Generator - Function Type - Square*. The low-level set point is programmed through menus *Function Generator - Function Type - Square Parameters - LoLevel(Adc)*. From in the same parent menu, offset and period, in menus *Offset(Adc)* and *LoPeriod(ms)*, respectively, are programmed. These parameters and their effect on the waveform are illustrated in [fig-function-square](#).



4.3.3. Step

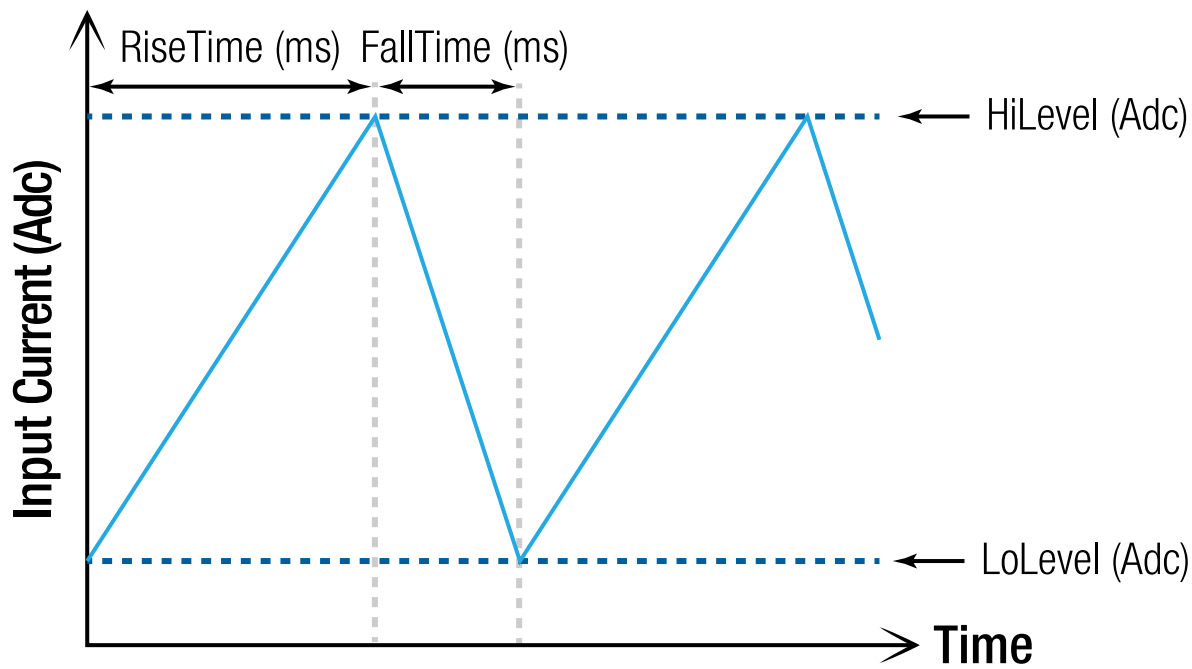
The step function behaves similarly to the [Square Function](#), but step points cycle manually by pressing the start button. The first time the start button is pressed, the MagnaLOAD electronic load is enabled, and regulates to the parameter saved in $LoLevel(Adc)$. Pressing the start button again changes the set point to $HiLevel(Adc)$. Pressing the button a third time cycles back to $LoLevel(Adc)$. The parameter effects on the waveform are illustrated in

`fig-function-step`.



4.3.4. Ramp

The ramp function produces its waveform by logically changing set points after a programmed period of time, while maintaining specified rise and fall time. The function is selected through menus *Function Generator - Function Type - Ramp*. The low level set point is programmed through menus *Function Generator - Function Type - Ramp Parameters - LoLevel(Adc)*. From the same parent menu, the high level and rise and fall periods, $HiLevel(Adc)$, $RiseTime(ms)$ and $FallTime(ms)$, are set respectively. These parameters and their effect on the waveform are illustrated in `fig-function-ramp`.



4.4. Operating Profile

With its combination of resistor and linear elements, the ALx Series MagnaLOAD has a unique operating profile as indicated in the figures below. Three different profiles are provided, depending on the model's maximum voltage rating. The profiles are normalized about the model's maximum voltage, current, and power ratings.

ALx Series MagnaLOAD Normalized Operating Profile - 200 Vdc Models

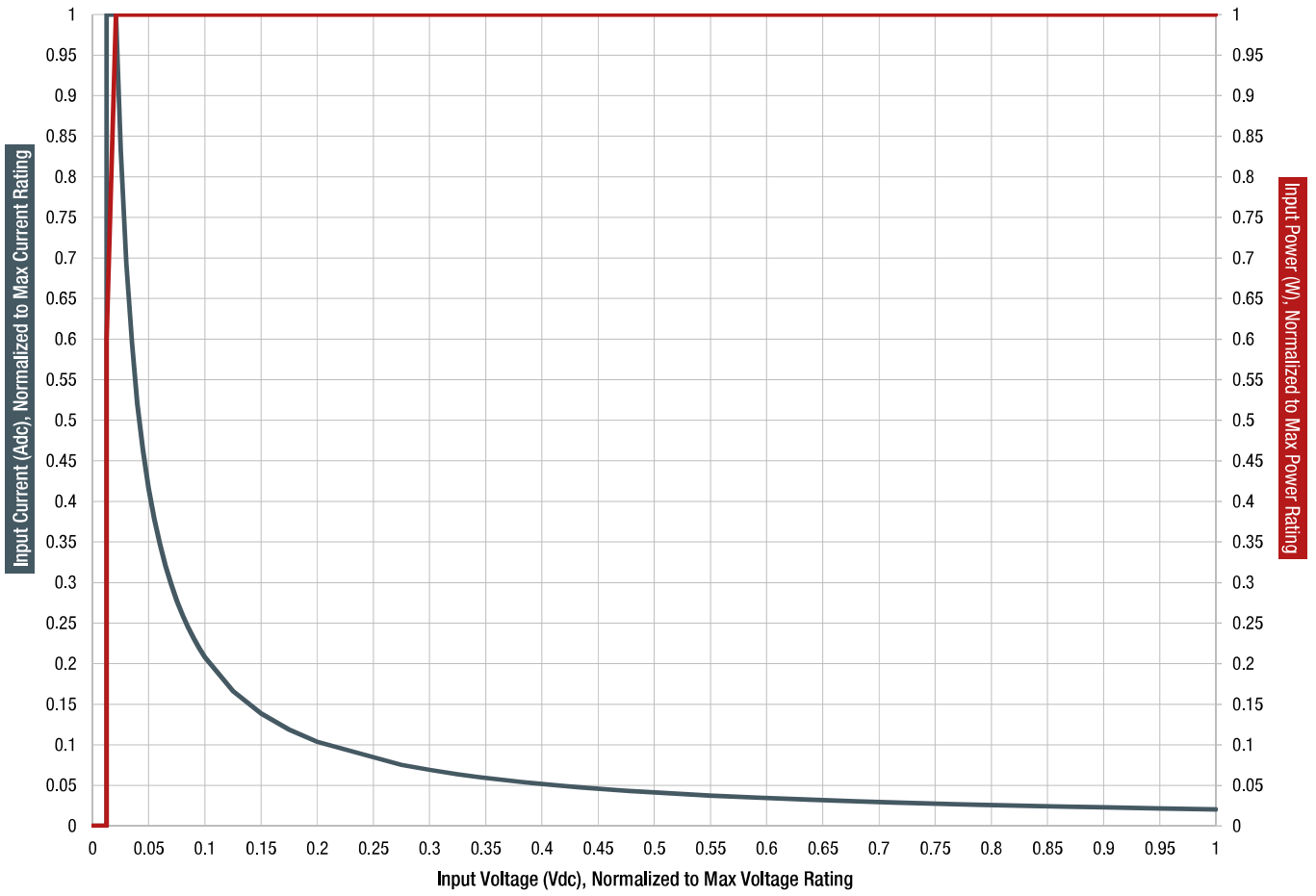


Fig. 4.1 Normalized ALx Series Operating Profile for 200 Vdc Models

ALx Series MagnaLOAD Normalized Operating Profile - 500 Vdc Models

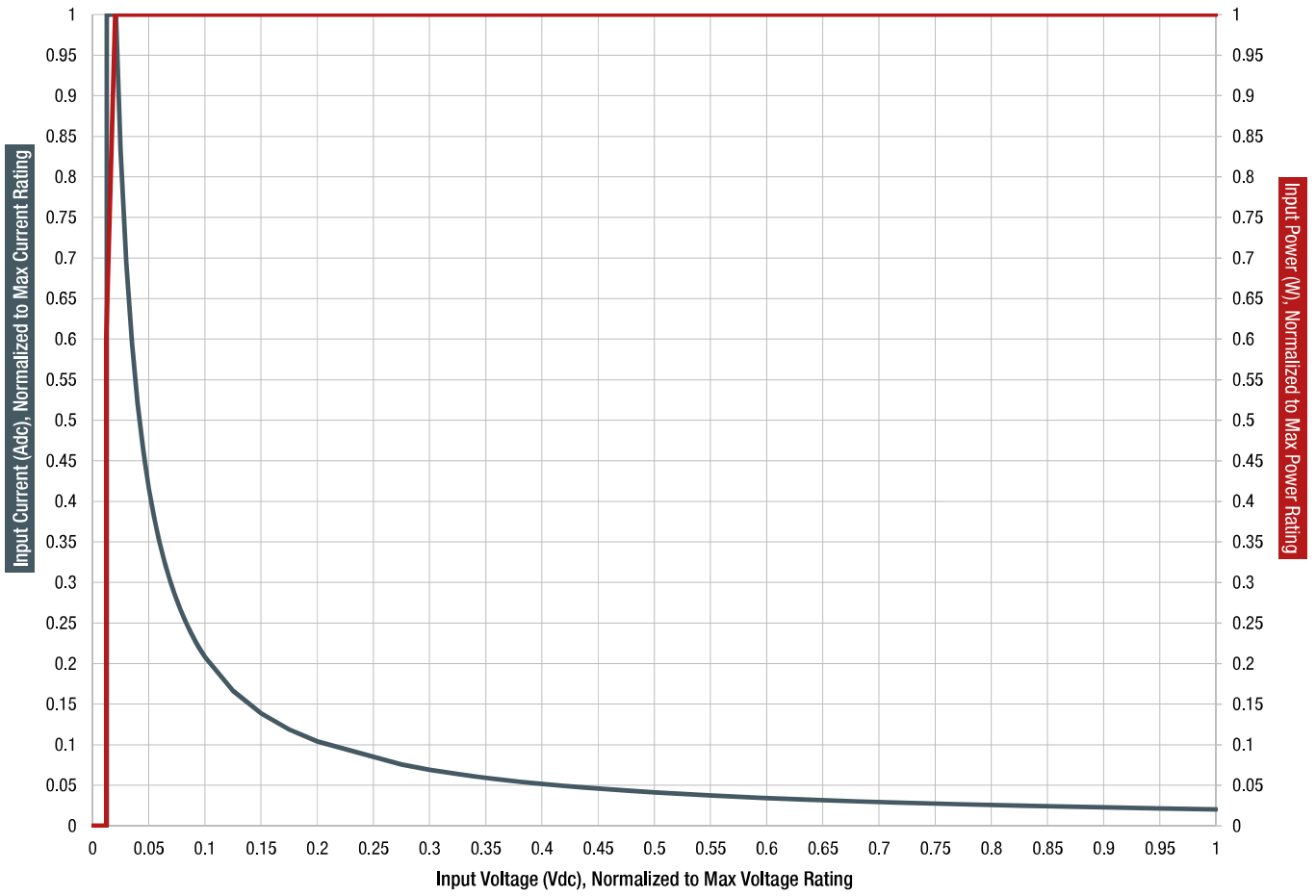


Fig. 4.2 Normalized ALx Series Operating Profile for 500 Vdc Models

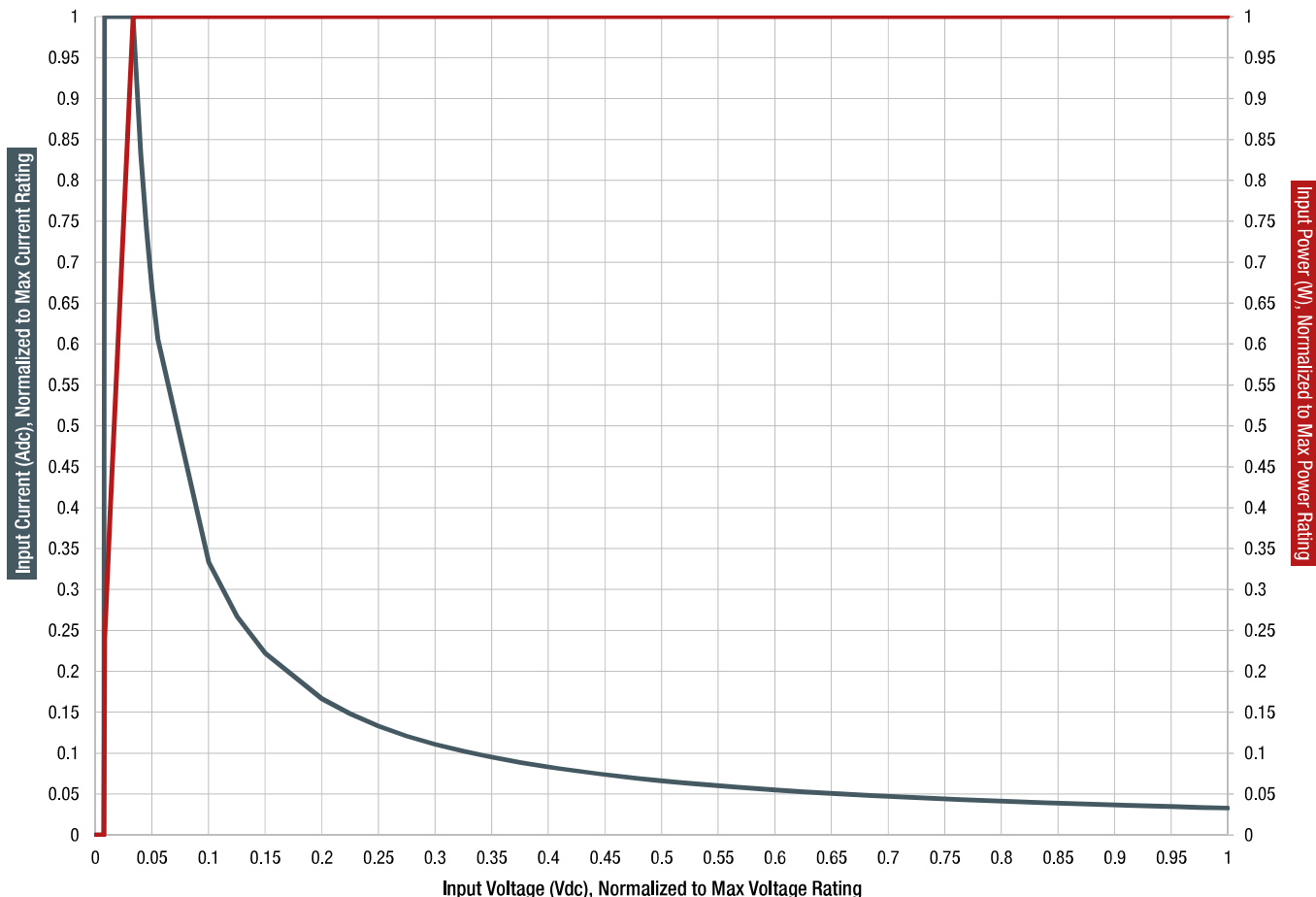


Fig. 4.3 Normalized ALx Series Operating Profile for 1000 Vdc Models

In the event the user programs the unit to operate in region outside the operating curve, the MagnaLOAD electronic load will automatically limit its throughput to prevent any possible damage. This internal limiting will be indicated on the front panel auxiliary display, on the [message](#) line as: *Operating profile limit reached*.

4.5. Control Modes

The ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load automatically selects the appropriate [regulation state](#) depending on the selected control mode, programmed set-points and the voltage and current being driven by the connected DC source. The MagnaLOAD electronic load preferences regulation states depending on the selected Control Mode: [Voltage Mode](#), [Current Mode](#), [Power Mode](#), or [Resistance Mode](#).

Control Modes can be selected from the front panel menu system or by computer command. Changing the Control Mode while the DC input is enabled will cause the MagnaLOAD electronic load to stop processing power and enter [Disabled](#) status.

4.5.1. Voltage Mode

When Voltage Mode is selected, the MagnaLOAD electronic load will auto-crossover between voltage and power regulation, but will preference **constant voltage regulation** over all other states. In Voltage Mode, the MagnaLOAD electronic load will try to sink enough current to maintain the voltage set point in a constant voltage regulation state. The operating region for Voltage Mode is further described by Fig. 4.4. Programming a resistance set-point and current set-point is disabled in Voltage Mode as the two regulation states conflict with the voltage regulation state.

Trip-point settings for voltage and power can also be used to shutdown the MagnaLOAD electronic load when a programmed threshold is crossed.

! Caution

Configuring the MagnaLOAD electronic load for Voltage Mode while the connected DC source is also trying to regulate voltage will produce regulation instabilities. Instead, an alternative control mode should be selected.

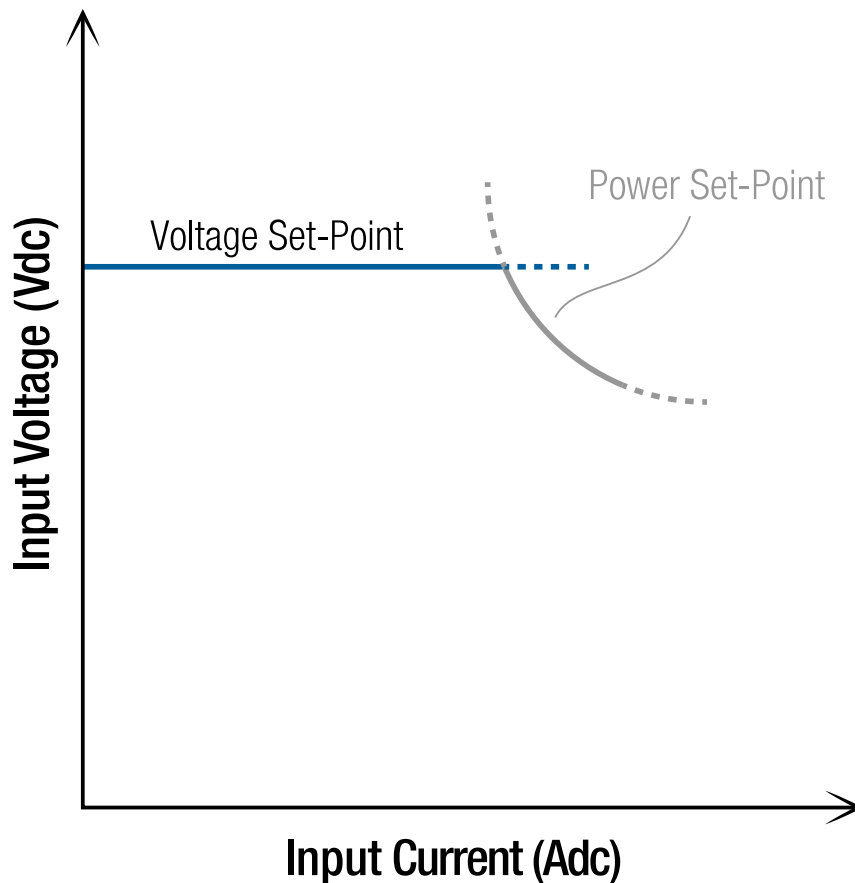


Fig. 4.4 Simplified Voltage Mode Operation Diagram. Refer to [fig-operating-profile](#) for operating profile constraints.

4.5.2. Current Mode

When Current Mode is selected, the MagnaLOAD electronic load will auto-crossover between current and power regulation, but will preference **constant current regulation** over all other states. In Current Mode, the MagnaLOAD electronic load will allow the input voltage fluctuate while trying to maintain the current set-point in a constant current regulation state. The operating region for Current Mode is further described by Fig. 4.5. Programming a resistance set-point and voltage set-point is disabled in Current Mode as the two regulation states conflict with the current regulation state.

Trip-point settings for current and power can also be used to shutdown the MagnaLOAD electronic load when a programmed threshold is crossed.

! Caution

Configuring the MagnaLOAD electronic load for Current Mode while the connected DC source is also trying to regulate current will produce regulation instabilities. Instead, an alternative control mode should be selected.

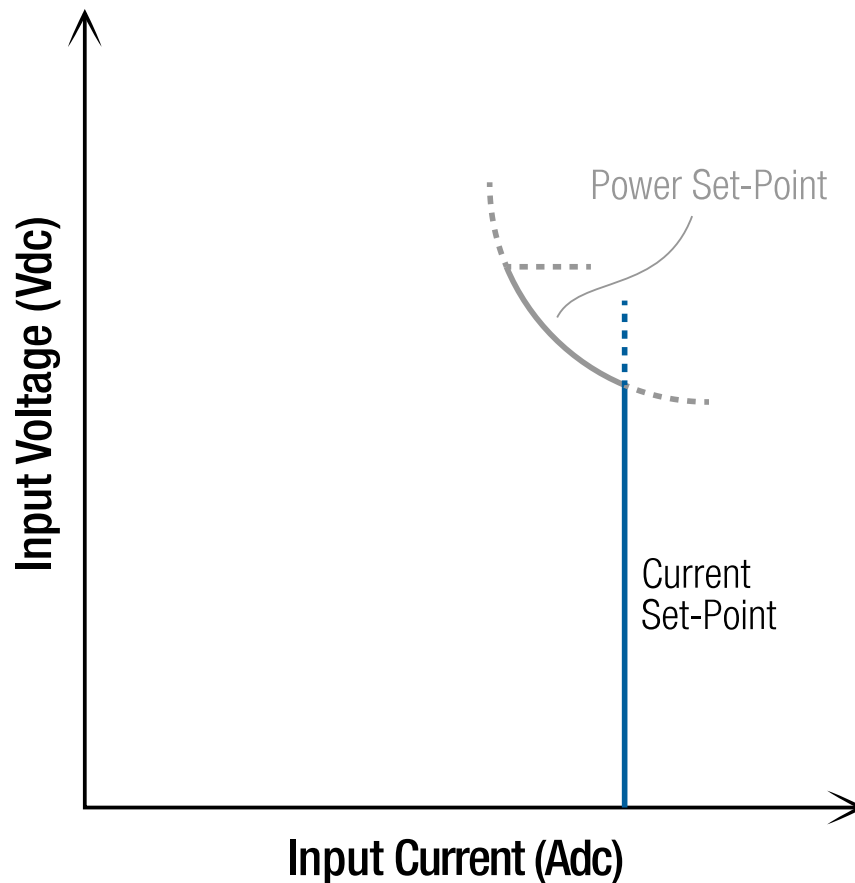


Fig. 4.5 Simplified Current Mode Operation Diagram. Refer to [fig-operating-profile](#) for operating profile constraints.

4.5.3. Power Mode

When Power Mode is selected, the MagnaLOAD electronic load will auto-crossover between current and power regulation, but will preference **constant power regulation** over all other states. In Power Mode, the MagnaLOAD electronic load will allow the input voltage and current fluctuate while trying to maintain the power set-point in a constant power regulation state. The operating region for Power Mode is further described by Fig. 4.6. Programming a resistance set-point and voltage set-point is disabled in Current Mode as the two regulation states conflict with the current regulation state.

Trip-point settings for current and power can also be used to shutdown the MagnaLOAD electronic load when a programmed threshold is crossed.

! Caution

Configuring the MagnaLOAD electronic load for Power Mode while the connected DC source is also trying to regulate power will produce regulation instabilities. Instead, an alternative control mode should be selected.

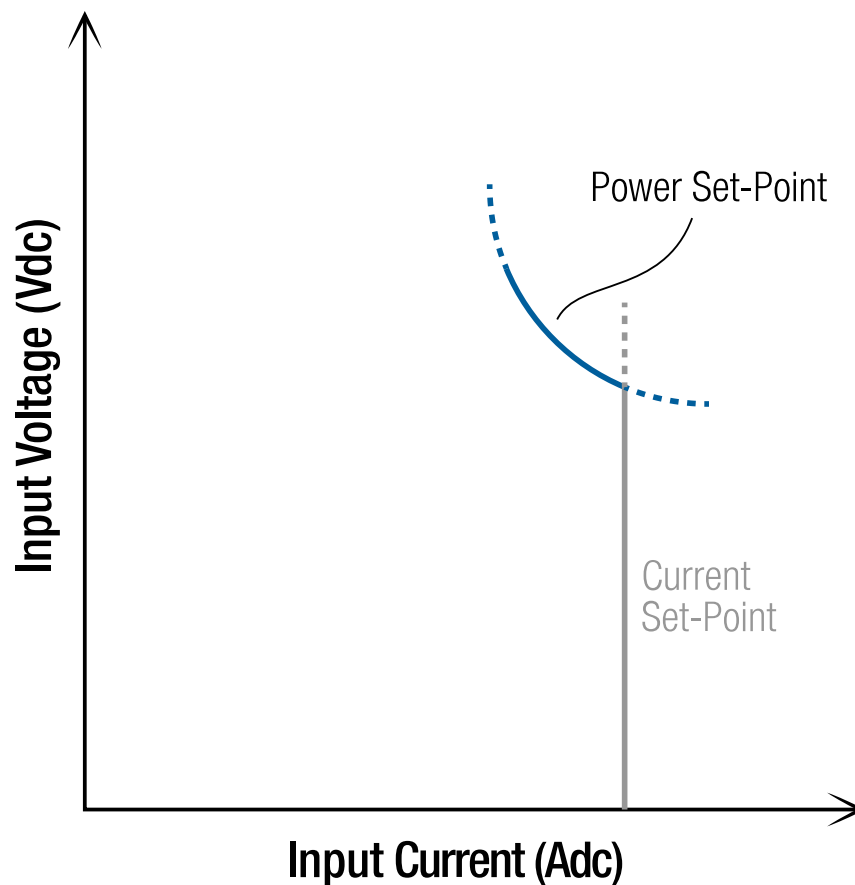


Fig. 4.6 Simplified Power Mode Operation Diagram. Refer to `fig-operating-profile` for operating profile constraints.

4.5.4. Resistance Mode

When Resistance Mode is selected, the MagnaLOAD electronic load will preference **Constant Resistance (CR)** regulation state over all other regulation states. The MagnaLOAD electronic load will operate in constant resistance regulation within the set-point boundaries indicated in grey in Fig. 4.7. If the connected DC source drives the DC bus to one of the bounding set-point limits, the MagnaLOAD electronic load will auto-crossover to the appropriate regulation state. To avoid auto-crossover, the bounding set-point limits should be set sufficiently high to increase the constant resistance operating range. Programming a current set-point and voltage set-point is disabled in Resistance Mode as the two regulation states conflict with the resistance regulation state. trip-point-settings for voltage, current, and power can also be used to shutdown the MagnaLOAD electronic load when a maximum desired limit is reached.

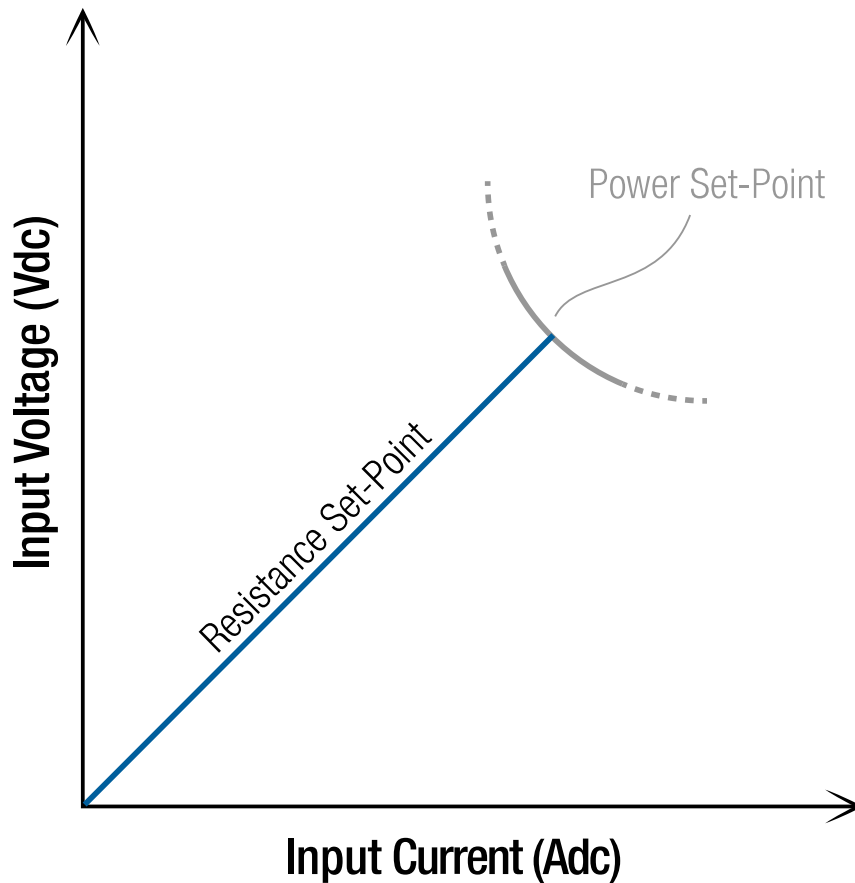


Fig. 4.7 Simplified Resistance Mode Operation Diagram. Refer to [fig-operating-profile](#) for operating profile constraints.

4.5.5. Shunt Regulator Mode

Shunt Regulator Mode is designed to regulate the DC bus voltage to ensure the voltage remains below a programmed limit. Shunt Regulator Mode can be used as a replacement for a braking resistor in a DC motor drive application, or as a protection device to prevent rising DC bus voltage from damaging other electronic devices.

When Shunt Regulator Mode is selected, the MagnaLOAD electronic load will only dissipate energy when the voltage passes a user-defined voltage threshold. The MagnaLOAD electronic load will remain idle at the DC bus voltage defined by the source until that DC bus voltage rises above a programmed voltage threshold. When DC bus voltage passes this voltage threshold, the MagnaLOAD electronic load will begin to process power, with the current rising rapidly to the current set point.

The voltage threshold is the programmed voltage set point plus 1% of the unit's full scale voltage rating. For example, if an ARx6.75-1000-14 (6.75 kW, 0-1000 Vdc, 0-14 Adc) MagnaLOAD electronic load was programmed to 500 Vdc in Shunt Regulator Mode, the MagnaLOAD electronic load would begin dissipating energy at the voltage threshold: $500 \text{ Vdc} + (1\% \text{ of } 1000 \text{ Vdc}) = 510 \text{ Vdc}$. The MagnaLOAD electronic load would continue dissipating energy until the DC bus voltage drops below 500 Vdc.

When the product is dissipating energy in Shunt Regulator Mode, the current is regulated to the MagnaLOAD electronic load's user-defined current set point.

Note

If the MagnaLOAD electronic load is not sized properly for the amount of current fed back onto the DC bus, the voltage on the DC bus may continue to rise beyond the MagnaLOAD electronic load's voltage threshold.

[Fig. 4.8](#) shows the voltage and current over time in Shunt Regulator Mode, as the DC bus voltage rises below the voltage threshold and the MagnaLOAD electronic load begins dissipating energy. trip-point-settings for voltage, current, and power can also be used to shutdown the MagnaLOAD electronic load when a maximum desired limit is reached.

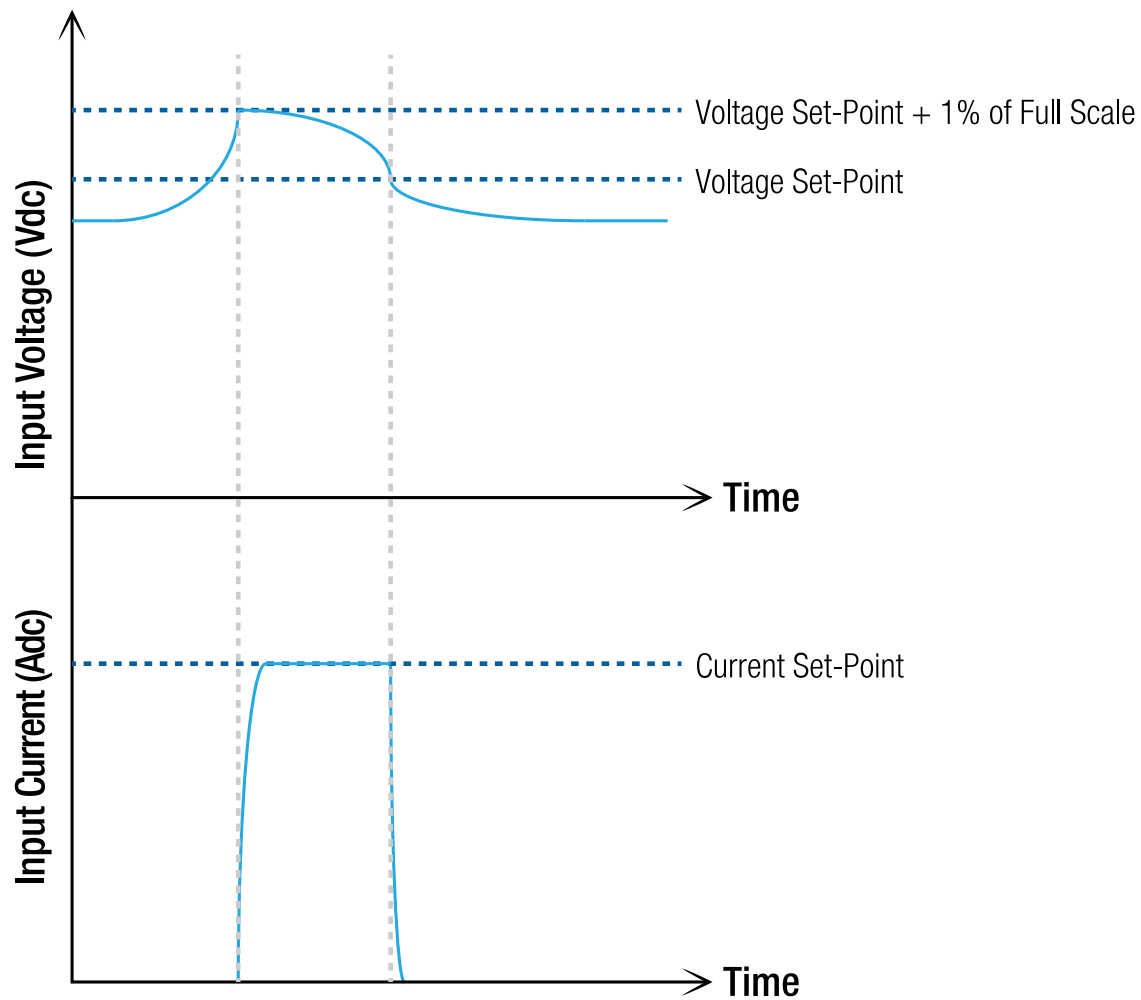


Fig. 4.8 Simplified Shunt Regulator Mode Operation Diagram. Refer to [fig-operating-profile](#) for operating profile constraints.

4.6. Regulation States

The ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load has four regulation states: **Constant Voltage (CV)**, **Constant Current (CC)**, **Constant Power (CP)**, and **Constant Resistance (CR)**. The active regulation state is indicated by a illuminated circular LED next to the respective voltage, current, power, or resistance set-point button. The active regulation state can also be monitored programmatically.

4.6.1. Constant Voltage (CV)

When the constant voltage regulation state is indicated, the MagnaLOAD electronic load is maintaining fixed voltage set-point, while the current fluctuates with the driving DC source, as illustrated by [Fig. 4.9](#).

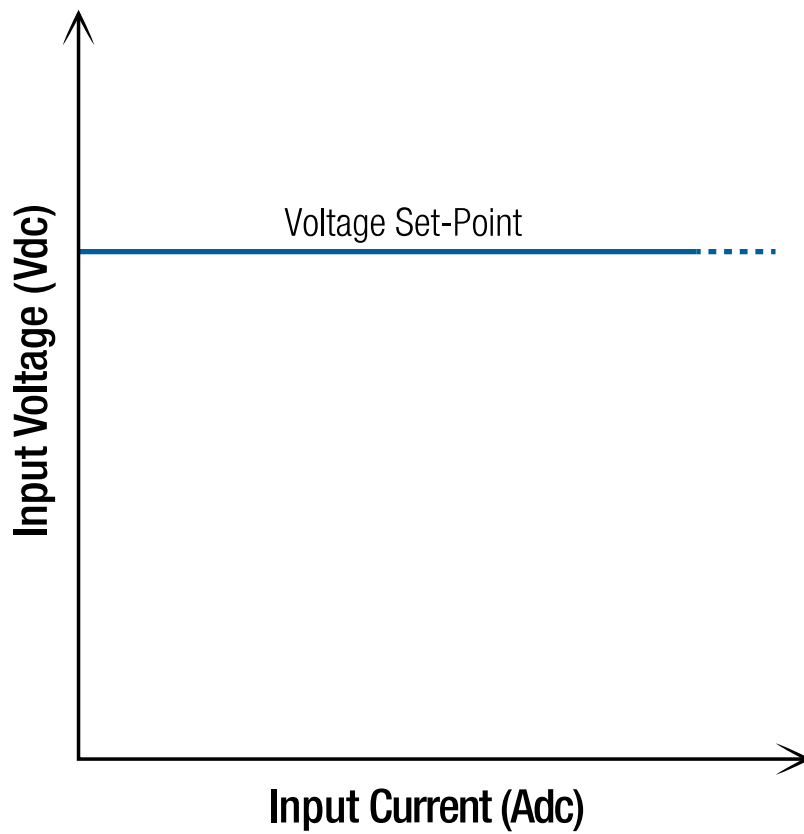


Fig. 4.9 Operating range in constant voltage mode

4.6.2. Constant Current (CC)

When the constant current regulation state is indicated, the MagnaLOAD electronic load is maintaining a fixed current set-point, while the voltage fluctuates with the driving DC source, as illustrated by [Fig. 4.10](#).

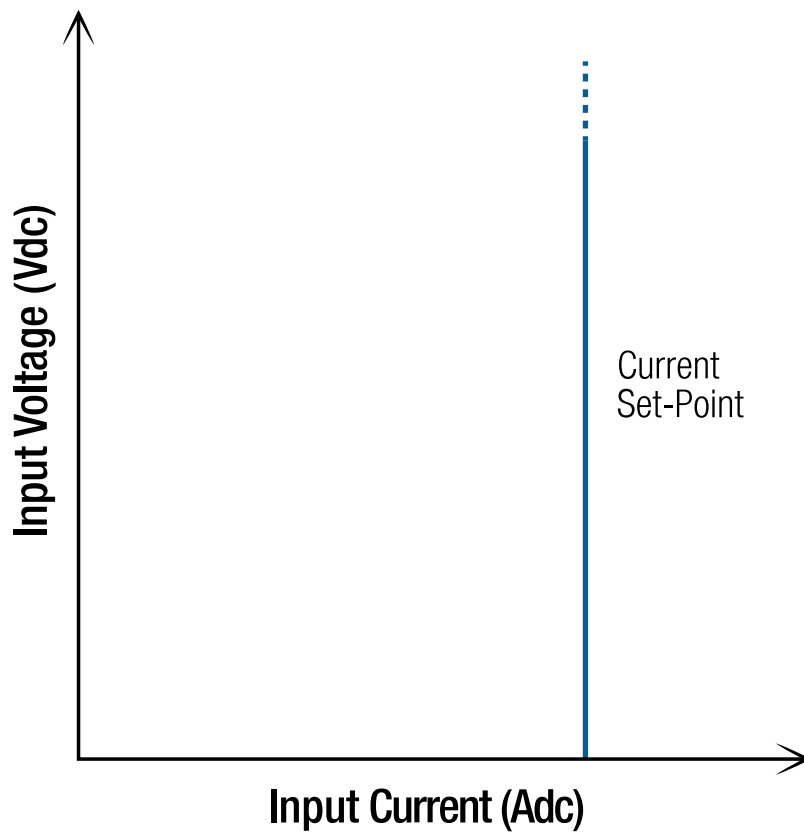


Fig. 4.10 Operating range in constant current mode

4.6.3. Constant Power (CP)

When the constant power regulation state is indicated, the MagnaLOAD electronic load is maintaining a fixed power set-point by varying the current level inversely in response to a change in input voltage, as illustrated by [Fig. 4.11](#).

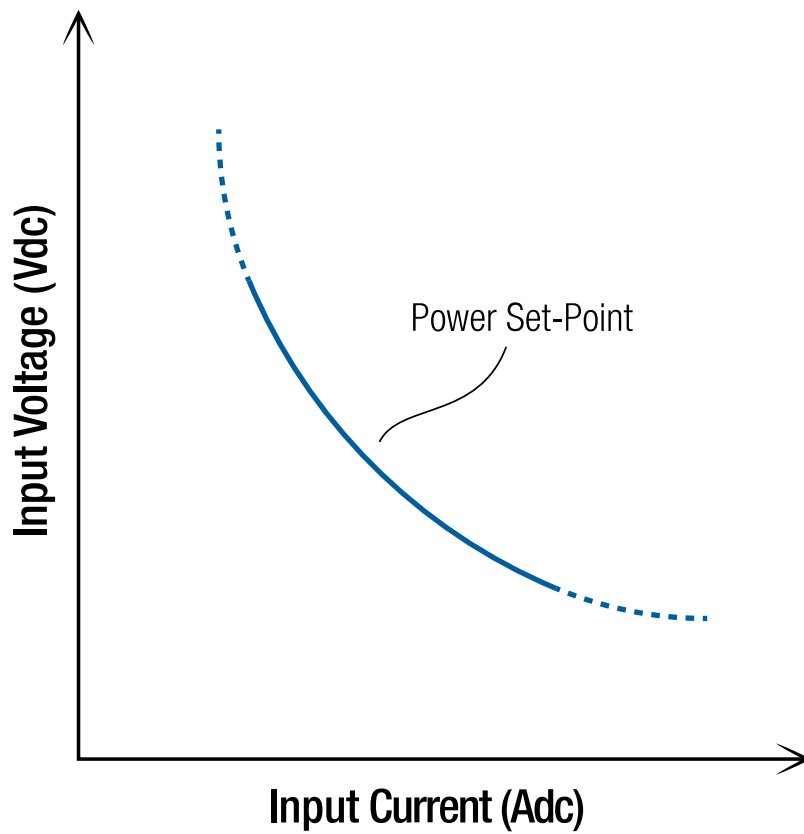


Fig. 4.11 Operating range in constant power mode

4.6.4. Constant Resistance (CR)

When the constant resistance regulation state is indicated, the MagnaLOAD electronic load is maintaining a fixed resistance set-point, by sinking input current linearly proportional the input voltage, as illustrated by [Fig. 4.12](#).

ⓘ Note

The constant resistance regulation state will only be indicated when the MagnaLOAD electronic load is configured for [Resistance Mode](#).

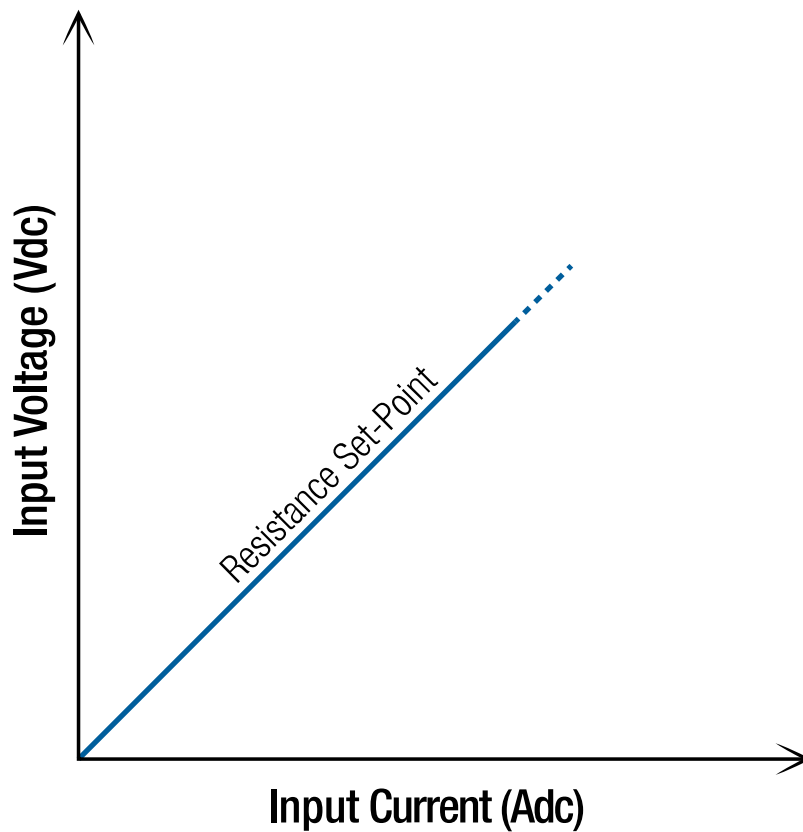


Fig. 4.12 Operating range in constant resistance mode

4.7. Protection and Diagnostics

4.7.1. Over Voltage Trip (OVT)

The ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load has a programmable Over Voltage Trip setting used to shutdown the product if an undesired maximum voltage value is measured across the DC input. The OVT setting can be adjusted to a maximum of 110% of the specific MagnaLOAD electronic load's full scale voltage rating. An over-voltage condition must be sustained for multiple samples for the OVT fault to register.

When an OVT fault occurs, the DC input bus is disconnected via an internal switching device, leaving the MagnaLOAD electronic load in an open-circuit faulted condition with an OVT alarm shown on the auxiliary display. To resume operation, the DC input voltage must be drop below the MagnaLOAD electronic load's OVT setting, the [Clear](#) function must be issued, and the input re-energized with the [Start](#) function.

The OVT setting can be programmed through the front panel's auxiliary display, through one of the four analog inputs, or programmatically through software.

The factory default OVT setting is 110% of the specific MagnaLOAD electronic load's maximum voltage rating.

4.7.2. Under Voltage Trip (UVT)

The ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load has a programmable Under Voltage Trip setting used to shutdown the product if an undesired minimum voltage threshold is measured across the DC input. The UVT setting can be adjusted to a minimum of 5% of the specific MagnaLOAD electronic load's full scale voltage rating. An under-voltage condition must be sustained for multiple samples for the UVT fault to register.

The UVT setting was designed to protect DC input sources, such as batteries, from discharging below a minimum desired voltage. If the UVT setting is used, upon first enabling the DC input the DC input voltage must be above the UVT setting or the MagnaLOAD electronic load will trip immediately. Fig. 4.13 shows the operating range with both OVT and UVT enabled.

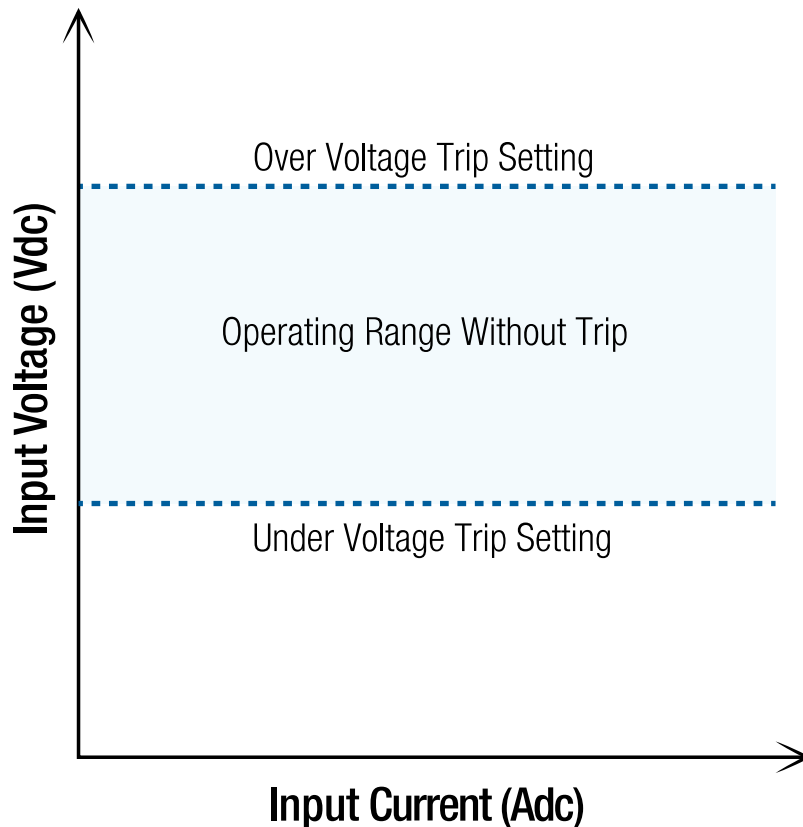


Fig. 4.13 Operating region without trip when OVT and UVT settings are enabled

When an UVT fault occurs, the DC input bus is disconnected via an internal switching device, leaving the MagnaLOAD electronic load in an open-circuit faulted condition with an UVT alarm shown on the auxiliary display. To resume operation, the [Clear](#) function must be issued and the input re-energized with the [Start](#) function.

The UVT setting can be programmed through the front panel's auxiliary display, through one of the four analog inputs, or programmatically through software.

The factory default UVT setting is 0 Vdc, which disables the UVT protection.

4.7.3. Over Current Trip (OCT)

The ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load has a programmable Over Current Trip setting used to shutdown the product if an undesired maximum current value is measured through the DC input. The OCT setting can be adjusted to a maximum of 110% of the specific MagnaLOAD electronic load's full scale voltage rating. An over current condition must be sustained for multiple samples for the OCT fault to register.

When an OCT fault occurs, the DC input bus is disconnected via an internal switching device, leaving the MagnaLOAD electronic load in an open-circuit faulted condition with an OCT alarm shown on the auxiliary display. To resume operation, the DC input current must be drop below the MagnaLOAD electronic load's OCT setting, the [clear function](#) must be issued, and the input re-energized with the [start function](#).

The OCT setting can be programmed through the front panel's auxiliary display, through one of the four analog inputs, or programmatically through software.

4.7.4. Over Power Trip (OPT)

The ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load has a programmable Over Power Trip setting used to shutdown the product if an undesired maximum power value is measured at the DC input. The OPT setting can be adjusted to a maximum of 110% of the specific MagnaLOAD electronic load's full scale power rating. An over-power condition must be sustained for multiple samples for the OPT fault to register.

When an OPT fault occurs, the DC input bus is disconnected via an internal switching device, leaving the MagnaLOAD electronic load in an open-circuit faulted condition with an OPT alarm shown on the auxiliary display. To resume operation, the DC input voltage must be drop below the MagnaLOAD electronic load's OPT setting, the [Clear](#) function must be issued, and the input re-energized with the [Start](#) function.

The OPT setting can be programmed through the front panel's auxiliary display, through one of the four analog inputs, or programmatically through software.

The factory default OPT setting is 110% of the specific MagnaLOAD electronic load's maximum power rating.

4.7.5. Thermal Fault

The ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load has internal thermistors on its various heatsinks to ensure operation at temperatures within the product's design specifications. A thermal fault typically results from one of the following conditions:

- Operating in an environment above the maximum ambient temperature specification.

- Operating in an environment below the minimum ambient temperature specification.
- Blocking the front panel air intake.
- Internal fan or solenoid failure.
- Broken electrical contact to thermistors.
- Coolant intake temperatures are above those recommended.

When a thermal fault occurs, the MagnaLOAD electronic load enters into a hard-fault condition, where all loads disconnect from the source. The user is prevented from enabling the load through the front panel and external interfaces. Details about the thermal fault are shown on the front display.

To resume operation, the product must be power cycled, by toggling the rocker switch located on the front panel. Allow sufficient time for the MagnaLOAD electronic load to return to safe operating temperatures. Otherwise, the product will enter immediately into a thermal fault after booting.

4.7.6. Interlock

The Interlock feature disables the MagnaLOAD electronic load by entering a [soft fault](#) state. The safety feature is triggered whenever the +5V signal applied to the interlock pin is broken. By default, interlock is disabled when the MagnaLOAD electronic load ships from the factory. Interlock can be enabled from the [front panel](#), [computer interface](#). Once interlock is assigned to one of the pins listed in [external user I/O](#) +5V must be present to operate the product. There are two methods to providing +5V to the interlock pin:

- Providing a physical short from the provided [external user I/O](#) +5V signal (Pin 14) to the interlock digital input.
- Using an external user supplied +5V signal with reference to the [external user I/O](#) GND signal (Pin 25).

With either method, an external dry contact may be used to trigger the interlock.

When the +5V interlock signal is broken, the dissipative elements are switched out of the DC bus using a high-speed switching device, the MagnaLOAD electronic load is placed in a [soft fault](#) state.

To resume normal operation, the +5V signal must first be restored to the interlock input and the [Clear command](#) issued.

4.7.7. Lock

The lock feature prevents inadvertent changes to MagnaLOAD electronic load operation by disabling front panel button inputs. Lock can be enabled through the front panel using the LOCK button, through the communications interface using SCPI commands, and the rear-external interface using a +5V signal. In all cases, the LOCK button will illuminate to show the MagnaLOAD electronic load is lock. Also, and the stop button always functions normally (for safety). The digital input lock takes highest priority, such that when locked, it can be unlocked only by the digital input. Second priority is SCPI followed by the LOCK button. The table below illustrates unlocking behavior for a locked MagnaLOAD electronic load.

Table 4.1 Unlocking Priority

| | Locked by Front Panel | Locked by SCPI | Locked by Digital Input |
|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Front Panel Unlock | ✓ | | |
| SCPI Unlock | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Digital Input Unlock | | | ✓ |

4.7.8. Out of Regulation

Out of Regulation indicates a high error between an internal control value and the value measured at the alx terminals. This can occur when the controller is forced into a condition that it can not regulate and is failing to reach the desired set point. For MagnaLOAD electronic loads, this can happen if MOSFETs operate in the linear region, or when the control gains are too aggressive, or the external source is unstable. In *Out of Regulation* accumulation in the feedback compensator is stopped to prevent integral wind up from over driving the MOSFETs. When terminal measurement return to expect values, the fault clears itself, and the compensator returns to normal operation.

4.7.9. Below Min Operating Voltage

The MagnaLOAD electronic load dissipates power by controlling the current entering the product. Controlling the current is only possible when there is sufficient voltage across the input terminals, for putting internal transistors into the saturation region. When voltage drop below 0.25% of the alx's voltage rating it enters a *Below Min Operating Voltage* fault and performs the same actions described in [Out of Regulation](#). When voltage goes above 0.25%, the fault clears itself, and returns to normal operation.

4.8. Statuses

The MagnaLOAD electronic load has various statuses corresponding to its present state of operation. These statuses can be viewed on the front panel, programmatically by [computer command](#), or using the [25-pin user I/O connector](#). The available statuses are as follows:

Enabled

The MagnaLOAD electronic load's input is engaged and processing power.

Disabled

The MagnaLOAD electronic load's input is disengaged and all systems are normal. The MagnaLOAD electronic load is awaiting a START command to engage its input. When in a Disabled state, there is an electrical disconnect between the product's dissipative elements and the DC input terminals through a high speed switching device.

Soft Fault

The MagnaLOAD electronic load's input is disengaged as a result of a soft fault that occurred. A soft fault occurs when an user-programmed limit is reached, such as a trip setting. A description of the soft fault is displayed on the [message](#) line. A soft fault can be cleared with the CLEAR function, placing the MagnaLOAD electronic load into a Disabled status. When in a Soft Fault state, there is an electrical disconnect between the product's dissipative elements and the DC input terminals through a high speed switching device.

Hard Fault

The MagnaLOAD electronic load's input is disengaged as a result of a hard fault that occurred. A hard fault is a system shutdown resulting from an operating condition that has the potential to damage the product, for example, exceeding the products specifications. A description of the hard fault is displayed on the [message](#) line. A hard fault fault can only be cleared by power cycling the product. When in a Hard Fault state, there is an electrical disconnect between the product's dissipative elements and the DC input terminals through a high speed switching device.

Caution

Ignoring hard faults and repeatedly operating the MagnaLOAD electronic load in a manner that triggers a hard fault will eventually result in product damage.

4.9. Status Messages

The MagnaLOAD electronic load has various messages, which elaborate on the product's present [status](#). A message may indicate normal operation, power limiting as a result of the MagnaLOAD electronic load's operating profile, or steps to resolve a fault.

Messages for Status: Enabled

- Systems normal.
- Operating profile limit reached. Limiting resistor power throughput.
- Operating profile limit reached. Limiting MOSFET power throughput.

Messages for Status: Disabled

- System disabled.

Messages for Status: Soft Fault

- Voltage trip point setting reached. Issue CLEAR command to resume operation in standby.
- Current trip point setting reached. Issue CLEAR command to resume operation in standby.
- Power trip point setting reached. Issue CLEAR command to resume operation in standby.
- Resistance trip point setting reached. Issue CLEAR command to resume operation in standby.

Messages for Status: Hard Fault

- Global shutdown occurred. Power cycle to resume operation in Standby.
- Chopper stage currents exceeded product rating. Verify load does not exceed product ratings.
- Excessive communication errors detected. Check cabling and communications grounding. Contact technical support.
- Voltage measured that exceeds product's max rating. Investigate cause and power cycle to resume operation in standby.
- Current measured that exceeds product's max rating. Investigate cause and power cycle to resume operation in standby.
- Power measured that exceeds product's internal resistive elements' max rating. Investigate cause and power cycle to resume operation in standby.
- Resistive elements have exceeded their max temperature rating. Verify adequate cooling air flow and ambient temperature is within product specifications. Power cycle to resume operation in Standby.
- Linear elements have exceeded their max temperature rating. Verify adequate cooling air flow and ambient temperature is within product specifications. Power cycle to resume operation in Standby.

4.10. Factory Restore

The ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load contains EEPROM (electrical erasable programmable read-only memory) for retaining settings after loss of AC power. The memory contains the set points, control mode, calibration gains, offsets, product serial numbers, and more. Most the memory positions are visible using MagnaWEB under the "EEPROM Editor" side menu.

Factory Restore overwrites existing EEPROM settings with defaults values so the MagnaLOAD electronic load can return to a known operating state. This should be performed if user experiences unexpected behavior, due to unknown or forgotten configurations. Magna-Power

Electronics may request users perform factory restore, as a starting point in most support cases. The memory positions affected by factory restore are listed in the table below.

Factory restore values (defaults) can be stored in Flash or EEPROM memory, as determined by Magna-Power Electronics. The Flash values are used for product-wide settings, such as control mode and slew rates, and mostly affect the products operating state. EEPROM values are reserved for customer and unit-specific settings, such as gains, offsets, and MagnaLINK™ address information, which are set during factory testing.

Product can be restored to a known state, by modifying the EEPROM in bulk, using either *Soft Restore* or *Hard Restore*. Soft Restore only effects those EEPROM positions whose default values are stored in Flash, as shown in the table below. Hard Restore overwrites calibrations values, feedback gains, i.e., settings saved in EEPROM at the factory. In most cases, Soft Restore should be used, and Hard Restore used as a last resort, since it overwrites any in-house calibrations with or original (older) factory calibrations.

Factory restore can be initiated using the front panel by navigating to *System Settings - Factory Restore* in the menu system. After the restore option has been selected, MagnaLOAD electronic load will reboot and start up with the new settings.

Factory Restore Values

5. MagnaLINK™

MagnaLINK™ is a low-level high-speed communication protocol designed by Magna-Power Electronics to expand functionality in the presence of multiple products, support real-time control, and handle multi-processor firmware upgrades.

5.1. Network Overview

There are three types of communications that the main control processor manages using three independent ports. On *Port A* the processor manages internal processor-to-processor traffic. Connected to this bus is the gate drive processor, which is responsible for power controls and protection. Also connected are the auxiliary power supply processors, which power all other boards, cooling fans, and solenoids. These processors are critical to the operation of the MagnaLOAD electronic load; hence, communications on *Port A* bus are not exposed. *Port B* carries product-to-product and the front display processor traffic. The port is exposed through two RJ11 connectors located in the back of the product. Connections to the front display are made internally to the product. *Port B* is designed to handle more network nodes and has programmable termination resistors to dampen transmission-line effects. When connecting two products use only the Magna-Power Electronics supplied MagnaLINK™ cables. Front display boards are also connected to *Port B* to support remote-panel operation. *Port C* connects to external devices such as computers. The port defaults to [SCPI](#) protocol on start. Magna-Power Electronics software switches the protocol to MagnaLINK™ which contains the full set of commands available to MagnaLOAD electronic load, is lower overhead, and faster speed.

5.2. Master-Slave Module Operation

When MagnaLOAD electronic loads leaves the factory they are programmed with a fixed voltage, current, and power rating corresponding to the model. When multiple MagnaLINK™ compatible products are connected together, new ratings must be programmed for higher-power operation. If the detected power rating does not match the programmed power rating the product enters into a hard-fault condition. This rating check was added so that if any of the modules in the MagnaLINK™ chain are disconnected or fail, the customer can be notified, and take corrective actions. The instructions that follow explain how to wire slaves modules. The process for removing slave modules is identical to adding slave modules.

All MagnaLOAD electronic loads need to be powered off by moving all front rocker switches into the off position. One MagnaLOAD electronic load will be designated as a *master* all other MagnaLOAD electronic loads will be *slaves*. On the *master*, connect the supplied MagnaLINK™ cable from the RJ11 connector labeled *MAGNALINK OUT* to the slave connector labeled *MAGNALINK IN*. Connect the red and black *Molex 1545* terminated cable from the MagnaLINK cable kit into the white, *Molex 1545 Series* plug, labeled *CURRENT SENSE*, in the back of the master and the slave units. After all the described connections have been made, turn on the rocker switches. Instructions for programming new ratings using MagnaWEB are discussed in [Reprogramming Product Ratings](#).

5.3. Master-Slave Multi-Rack System Operation

Multi-rack systems have many nodes connected to the MagnaLINK™ network. To accommodate this extra burden, the communications wiring is electrically isolated and the network traffic is routed between racks. The MagnaLINK Interface Device (MID-M), acts as repeater, where incoming messages originating from the master rack, *RACK 1*, are parsed and resent to the addressed slave rack, as illustrated in [Fig. 5.1](#).

To configure two racks for master-slave operation, use the included RJ11 cable and wire *JT3* in the master rack to *JE3* of the slave rack. *JE3* is on the *Fan Control* board located at the top of the rack. Connect another RJ11 cable from *JR11* of the master to *JT1* of the *slave*. Master and slaves contain MID-S, which acts as pass-through connections for simplifying master-slave wiring. Finally, connect the red and black *CURRENT SENSE* cable in *RACK 2, SUB 11*, to the common-mode choke located in the master, *RACK 1, SUB 2*. The instructions given for two rack, can be readily applied to addition racks. All cabinets must be grounded together and all *CURRENT SENSE* cables must connect back to the master rack. Instructions for programming new ratings are discussed in [Reprogramming Product Ratings](#).

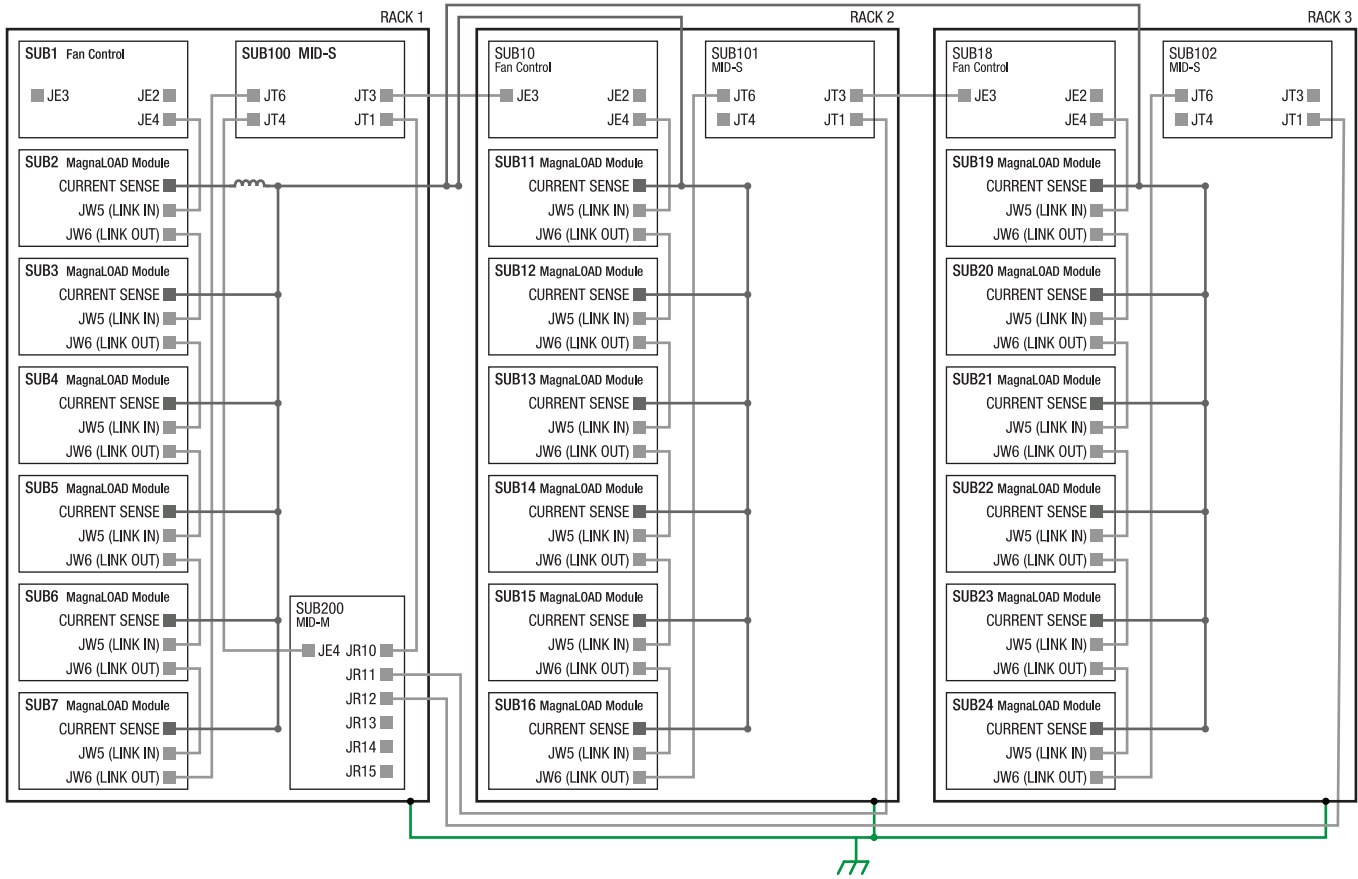


Fig. 5.1 Multi-Rack System Diagram

5.4. Reprogramming Product Ratings

At bootup the master detects all the slaves on *Port B*. If the the product was recently reconfigured for master-slave operation, the fron display panel should show a *Invalid Product* status message since the programmed power rating does not match the one saved. This can also be confirmed by navigating to the *About* menu and observing the number of slaves detected.

Install and open MagnaWEB software. When the software handshakes with MagnaLOAD electronic load it will detect the *Invalid Product* condition and open a product rating dialog, as shown in Fig. 5.2. The dialog shows the programmed product rating followed by the detected product ratings.

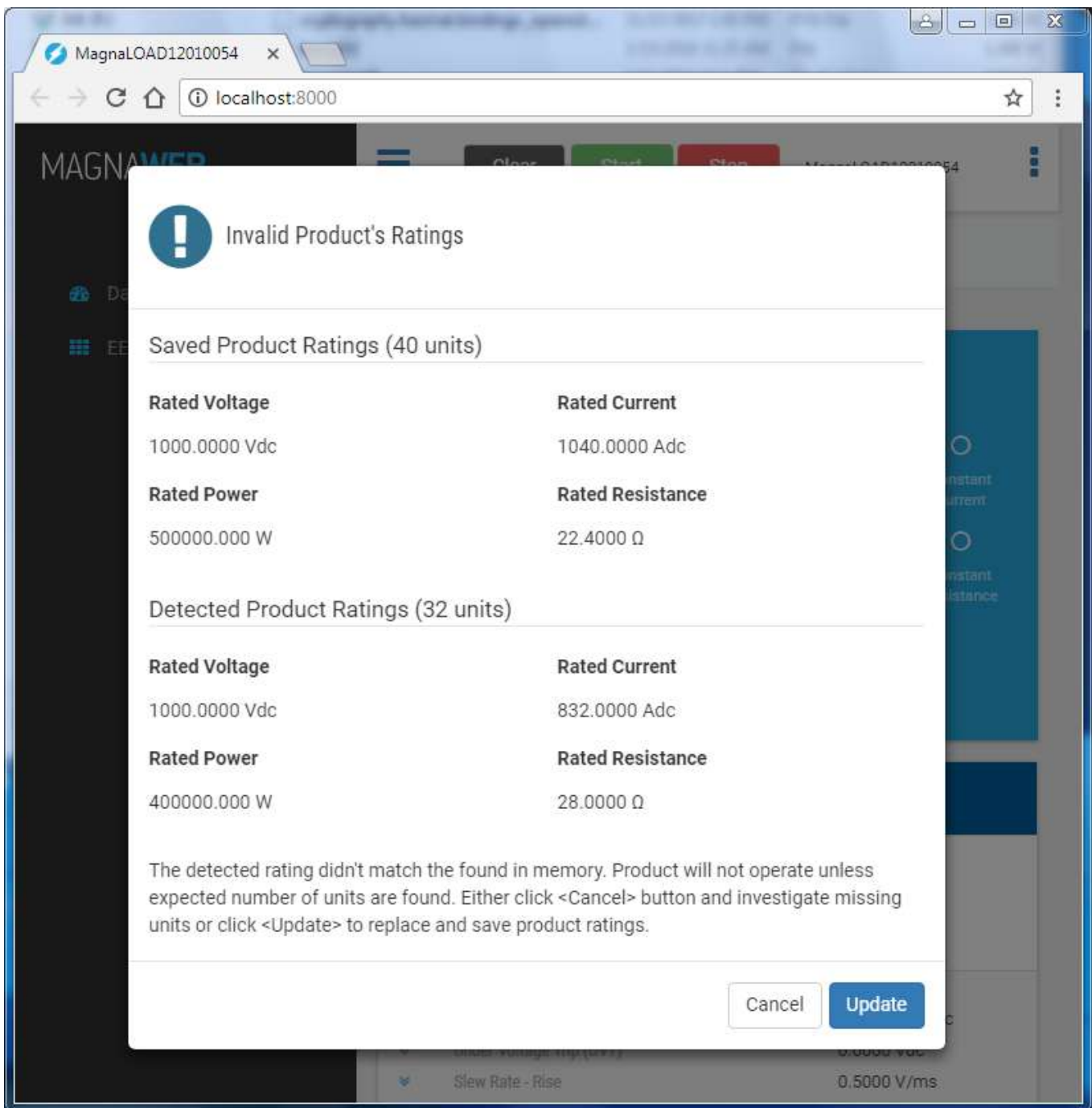


Fig. 5.2 Invalid Product Rating Dialog

Pressing the *Update* button will copy the detected product ratings into saved product ratings. A progress bar will appear, as shown in Fig. 5.3, the number represents which slave is updating in the chain. Then the progress bar will validate that all MagnaLOAD electronic loads have the correctly modified ratings, then show the completion dialog in Fig. 5.4. Shutdown MagnaWEB and move all rockers switches to their off positions. Wait for at least 5 seconds, then turn on all the loads. On boot, the detected product ratings now match the programmed ratings and normal operation is allowed.

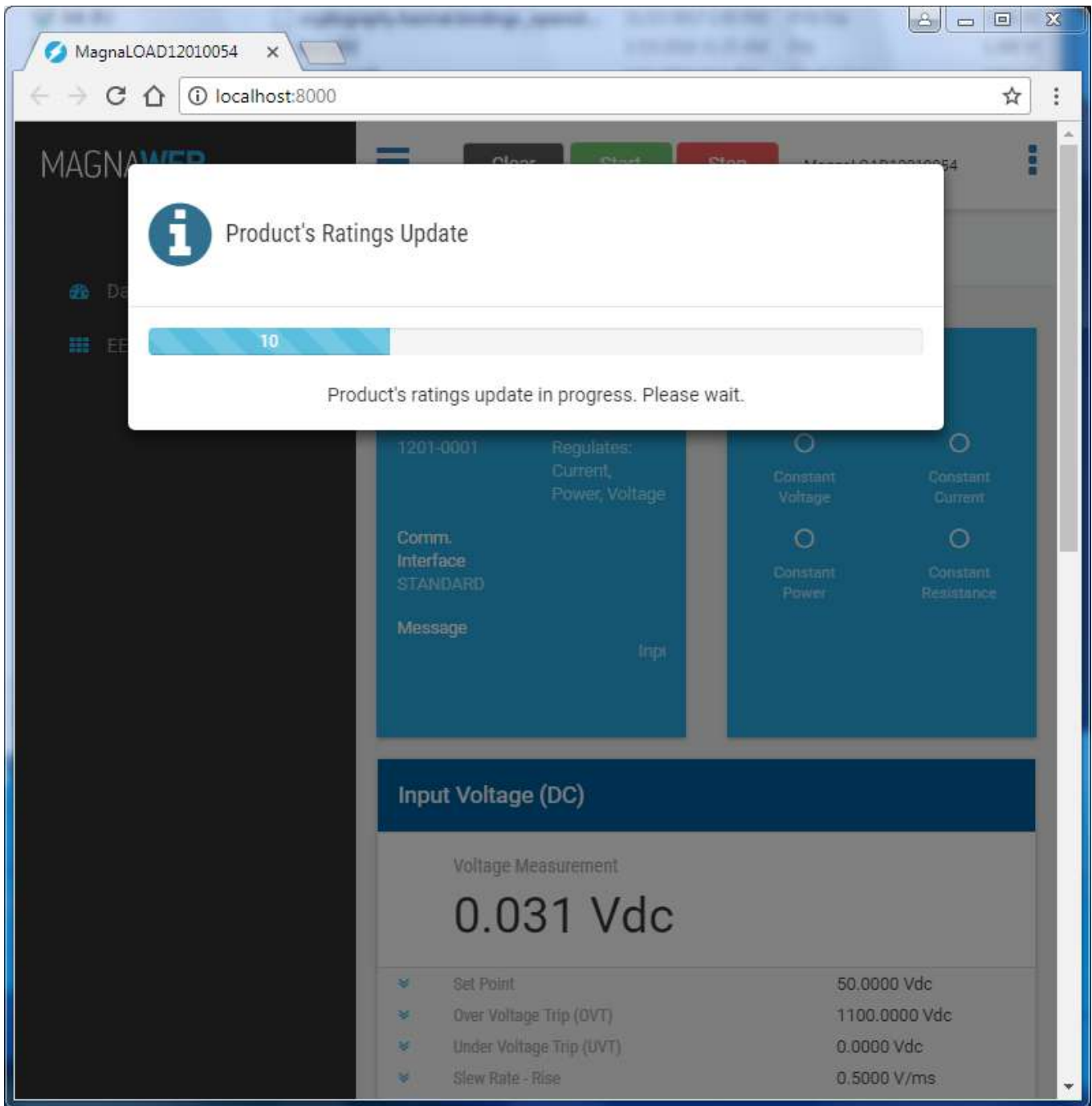


Fig. 5.3 Rating Update Progress Bar

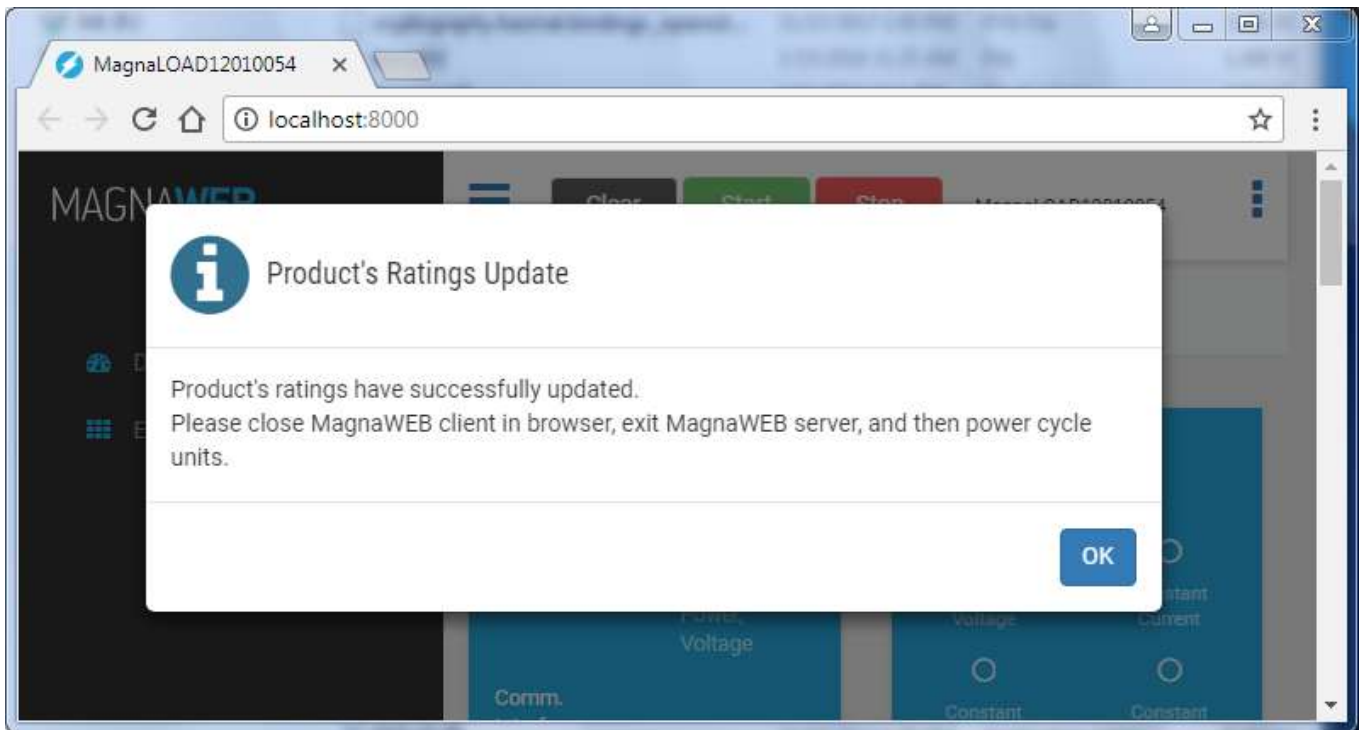


Fig. 5.4 New Ratings Saved

6. Operation: Front Panel

The standard MagnaLOAD electronic load front panel provides local control and display of the product's various parameters and settings. Fig. 6.1 provides an overview of the standard MagnaLOAD front panel and Fig. 6.2 provides an overview of the blank (+BP) MagnaLOAD front panel. A numbered list corresponding to the indicators on the front panels is located below the front panel figures.

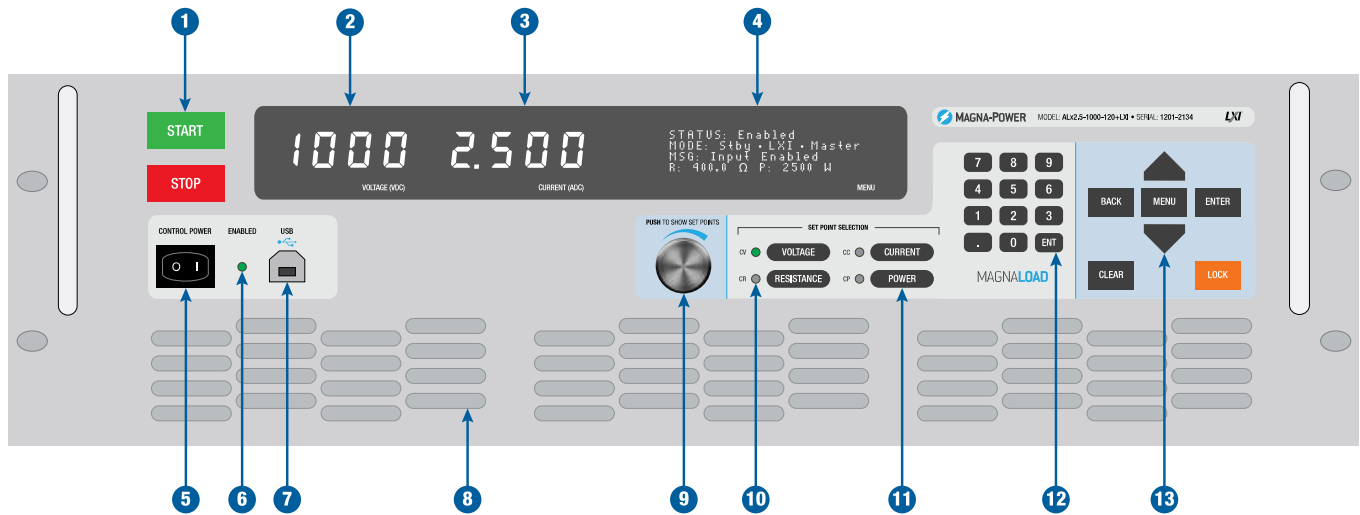


Fig. 6.1 Standard MagnaLOAD electronic load front panel overview



Fig. 6.2 Blank MagnaLOAD electronic load front panel overview

1. Start Button: Enables the DC input bus
Stop Button: Disables the DC input bus
2. Voltage measurement display

3. Current measurement display
4. 4-line character display featuring a menu system, operating status and modes, product messages with diagnostic codes, resistance measurement display, and power measurement display
5. Control power switch, energizes the control circuits without engaging DC bus
6. LED indicator that the DC input is enabled
7. Full control (host) front panel USB port
8. Clean air intake, with integrated fans
9. Aluminium digital encoder knob for programming set-points
10. LED indicator of the MagnaLOAD's present regulation state, which can include: constant voltage (CV), constant current (CC), constant power (CP), or constant resistance (CR)
11. Selector buttons to choose which set-point the digital encoder knob and digital keypad buttons will modify.
12. Menu Button: Enters the menu system on the 4-line display
 - Back Button: Moves back one level in the menu
 - Enter Button: Selects the highlighted menu item
 - Clear Button: Removes the product from a faulted state
 - Lock Button: Locks the front panel, with password protection available

6.1. Set Point Adjustment

The MagnaLOAD electronic load's set points define the regulation limits. To view the programmed set points, press and release the black digital encoder knob. The set points that can be programmed are in bold, while the unavailable set points are muted. The available set points will vary depending on the configured [control mode](#).

The illuminated Voltage, Current, Resistance and Power set point buttons on the front panel correlate to the set point that will be adjusted by the user's input. Pushing one of these set point buttons will change set point to be adjusted, if that set point is available within the selected control mode.

There are three methods of adjusting the set point from the front panel: digital encoder knob, keypad, and arrow keys.

The black aluminum **digital encoder knob** increases the set point when turned clockwise and decreases the set point when turned counterclockwise. Turning the knob faster will increase the set point adjustment rate. The selected set point is adjusted on-the-fly when the knob is turned, whether viewing the output measurements or whether viewing the set points.

The **12-digit keypad** allows a specific number to be entered in. The number entered will not take effect until either the Enter (ENT) button is pressed. Pressing a number will automatically change the display to view all set points.

When pressed once and released, the **arrow-up and arrow-down** buttons adjust the set point by the lowest available bit. By pressing and holding these button, a larger set point adjustments will be made. The selected set point is adjusted on-the-fly when the arrow key is pressed, whether viewing the output measurements or whether viewing the set points.

6.1.1. Set Point Source

Set points that control the ALx Series can come from by multiple sources. *Set Point Source* selects set points from these sources and routes them as inputs into the digital controller. When a particular source is selected, set points from all other sources are ignored.

By default, the source is set to *local*, where set points originate from the front panel keypad, knob, or communication interfaces. When the source is set to *function generator*, current set point is generated internally, by a periodic function generator block, whose value are defined according to the parameters in [Function Generator](#). When *external analog input* is selected, the voltage applied to the rear connector, as described in [Analog Inputs](#), are converted into set points.

6.2. Auxiliary Display

The MagnaLOAD electronic load's standard front panel features an auxiliary 4-line character display used for two distinct views: the product's [operating status](#) and a multi-level [menu system](#), used for configuring various products settings.

6.2.1. Operating Status Display

The default display on the auxiliary display provides information about the MagnaLOAD electronic load's present operating conditions, as follows:

Status

The product's present operating status.

Mode

The product's presently selected [control mode](#) and active [computer programming interface](#).

Message (MSG)

A detailed description of the product's present status including steps listed to resolve a fault.

Resistance (R)

The measured resistance value at the MagnaLOAD electronic load's DC input terminals.

Power (P)

The measured power being dissipated in the MagnaLOAD electronic load through its DC input terminals.

6.2.2. Menu System

A multi-level menu system is provided on the standard front panel to configure the product's various settable parameters. The buttons on the right-hand side of the front panel control navigation through the menu system, with functions as follows:

Menu Button

Transitions the auxiliary display from the [operating status](#) to the menu system.

Back Button

Moves up one level in the menu system. While at the top level of the menu system, the Back Button will return to the [operating status](#) display.

Up Arrow Button / Down Arrow Button

While browsing through the menu system the Up Arrow Button and Down Arrow Button moves item selector up and down, respectively. While keying in a new numeric value for a parameter, the Up Arrow Button and Down Arrow Button increments and decrements the parameter's setting by the lowest available bit. After increment or decrementing the value, the Enter Button must be pressed to save the value.

Enter Button

While browsing through the menu system, the Enter Button selects the highlighted menu item and transitions to the next level beneath the selected menu item. While browsing a list of settable parameters, pressing the Enter Button will select the highlighted parameter allowing you change its value. While keying in a new numeric value for that parameter, such a set point, pressing the Enter Button will set that new value.

Clear Button

While browsing through the menu system or through a list of parameters, the Clear Button will exit out of the menu system and return to the [operating status](#) display. While keying in a new numeric value for a parameter, the Clear Button will zero that parameter's value; the Enter Button must then be pressed to set that zero value.

The following table provides an over view of the menu system items with a short description of their functions:

| 1st Level | 2nd Level | 3rd Level | Description |
|---------------------|--|-----------|--------------------------------|
| Trip-Point Settings | | | |
| | Over Voltage Trip (OVT) | | Sets the over voltage trip set |
| | Under Voltage Trip (UVT) | | Sets the under voltage trip se |

| 1st Level | 2nd Level | 3rd Level | Description |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| | Over Current Trip (OCT) | | Sets the over current trip set- |
| | Over Power Trip (OPT) | | Sets the over power trip set-p |
| Control Modes | | | |
| | Voltage Mode | | Configures the MagnaLOAD v |
| | Current Mode | | Configures the MagnaLOAD c |
| | Power Mode | | Configures the MagnaLOAD p |
| | Resistance Mode | | Configures the MagnaLOAD r |
| | Rheostat Mode | | <i>ARx Series and WRx Series c</i> |
| | Shunt Regulator Mode | | Configures the MagnaLOAD s |
| Power Range | | | <i>ARx Series and WRx Series c</i> |
| | Low | | Series resistors are shorted a |
| | High | | Series resistors are enabled |
| Function Generator | | | |
| | Function Type | | |
| | | Sinusoid | Enable sinusoidal set point |
| | | Square | Enable periodic square set p |
| | | Step | Enable manual stepped set p |
| | | Ramp | Enable periodic ramps |
| | Function Parameter | | |
| | | Sinusoid Parameter | Configure amplitude, offset, r |
| | | Square Parameter | Configure high and low level |
| | | Step Parameter | Configure high and low level |
| | | Ramp Parameter | Configure high and low level |
| Communications | | | |
| | RS485 | | Displays baud rate, data bits, |
| | LXI TCP/IP Ethernet | | |
| | | MAC | Displays and assigned MAC |
| Performance | | | |
| | Slew Rates | | |

| 1st Level | 2nd Level | 3rd Level | Description |
|------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| | | Rise Slew (V/ms) | Sets the MagnaLOAD electro |
| | | Fall Slew (V/ms) | Sets the MagnaLOAD electro |
| | | Rise Slew (A/ms) | Sets the MagnaLOAD electro |
| | | Fall Slew (A/ms) | Sets the MagnaLOAD electro |
| | | Rise Slew (Ω /ms) | Sets the MagnaLOAD electro |
| | | Fall Slew (Ω /ms) | Sets the MagnaLOAD electro |
| | | Rise Slew (W/ms) | Sets the MagnaLOAD electro |
| | | Fall Slew (W/ms) | Sets the MagnaLOAD electro |
| | Remote Sense Mode | | |
| | | Local | Feedback voltage is taken fro |
| | | Remote | Feedback voltage is taken fro |
| System Settings | | | |
| | Setpoint Source | | |
| | | Front Panel | Setpoints programmed in the s |
| | | Function Generator | Setpoints generated internall |
| | | Analog Input | Setpoints measured on Exter |
| | Analog Digital IO | | |
| | | Analog Input 1 .. 4 | Configures individual functio |
| | | H/S Analog Input 6 | Configures individual functio |
| | | Analog Output 1 .. 4 | Configures individual functio |
| | | Digital Input 1 .. 4 | Configures individual functio |
| | | Digital Output 1 .. 8 | Configures individual functio |
| | Fan Speed | | |
| | | Variable | Adjust fans speed as a funct |
| | | Max | Turns fans speed to 100% |
| About | | | Shows manufacturing and fi |

7. Operation: External User I/O

The analog-digital inputs and outputs for the External User I/O port are reconfigurable, allowing the pins to be assigned according to the application and desired parameters. Therefore, the External User I/O pins are grouped according to function, with numerous selectable parameters in the following groupings: [Analog Inputs](#), [Analog Outputs](#), [Digital Inputs](#), and [Digital Outputs](#). Refer to each of these sections for the various parameters that can be assigned to the External User I/O pins.

Note

Not all pins need to be set

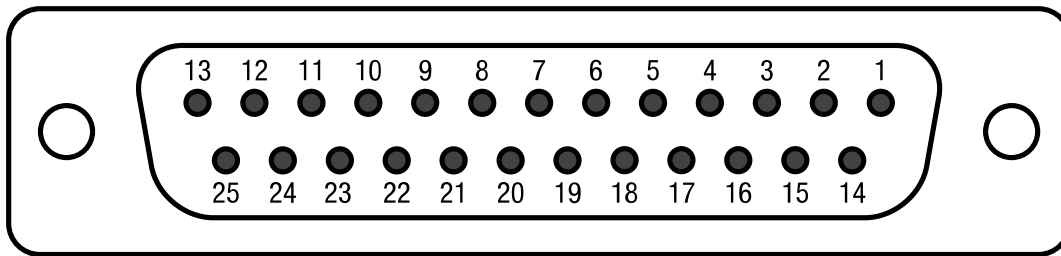


Fig. 7.1 External User I/O D-Sub 25-pin Connector and Pin Layout

The following table provides the External User I/O pin layout:

| User I/O Pin | Designation | Description |
|--------------|-------------|---|
| 1 | GND ANALOG | Ground (Analog Reference) |
| 2 | +10V REF | 10V Reference Voltage, 20 mA max |
| 14 | +5V | 5V Reference Voltage, 20 mA max |
| 25 | GND | Ground |
| 5 | AI0 | Analog Input |
| 6 | AI1 | Analog Input (High Speed) |
| 17 | AI2 | Analog Input |
| 18 | AI3 | Analog Input |
| 3 | A00 | Analog Output |

| User I/O Pin | Designation | Description |
|--------------|-------------|----------------|
| 4 | A01 | Analog Output |
| 15 | A02 | Analog Output |
| 16 | A03 | Analog Output |
| 11 | DI0 | Digital Input |
| 12 | DI1 | Digital Input |
| 23 | DI2 | Digital Input |
| 24 | DI3 | Digital Input |
| 7 | DO0 | Digital Input |
| 8 | DO1 | Digital Output |
| 9 | DO2 | Digital Output |
| 10 | DO3 | Digital Output |
| 19 | DO4 | Digital Output |
| 20 | DO5 | Digital Output |
| 21 | DO6 | Digital Output |
| 22 | DO7 | Digital Output |
| 13 | NC | No Connection |

7.1. Analog Inputs

The ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load has four analog inputs on its rear External User I/O 25-pin port. The External User I/O pin layout is defined in [Operation: External User I/O](#).

The four analog inputs (Pins 5, 6, 17, 18) can be configured to select different trip or set point values. For the inputs to take effect, *Analog Input* must be selected in the [Set Point Source](#) menu. By factory default, the analog input is disabled. If the source is selected, and one leaves the pin floating, the signal is pulled down resulting in a zero set point.

Standard analog inputs (Pins 5, 17, 18) are used for applications requiring high stability. Inputs are sampled and digitally filtered heavily to remove measurement noise and produce a stable input signals. High-speed analog input (Pin 6) is used for applications requiring fast changes. Here, the input is not filtered and updates every 500 μ s.

The following table provides the selection of the available analog input parameters:

| Parameter | Description | Input Reference Voltage Range | Corresponding Output Rai |
|-----------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Vset | Voltage Set Point | 0-10V | 0-100% of maximum rate |
| Iset | Current Set Point | 0-10V | 0-100% of maximum rate |
| Pset | Power Set Point | 0-10V | 0-100% of maximum rate |
| OVT | Voltage Trip Point Setting | 0-10V | 10%-110% of maximum ra |
| OCT | Current Trip Point Setting | 0-10V | 10%-110% of maximum ra |
| OPT | Power Trip Point Setting | 0-10V | 10%-110% of maximum ra |

A 0-10V input on the Voltage, Current, and Power Set Point input parameters corresponds to a proportional setting of 0-100% of product's maximum rated voltage, current, and power, respectively. As trip point settings are available up to 110% of the MagnaLOAD electronic load's maximum ratings, a 10V input on these trip points settings will correspond to 110% of the unit's maximum rating.

Note

Applying the same voltage reference to a set point input and its corresponding trip point setting is a common way to minimize the number of connections necessary from controlling hardware. With the same voltage reference on the two corresponding inputs, the product will be provided with a set point and then a trip setting 10% above that value. For example, applying the same +5V reference signal for both Vset and OVT on a product rated for 500 Vdc maximum, will correspond to a Voltage Set Point of 250 Vdc and a OVT setting of 275 Vdc.

If an analog input signal is enabled on the External User I/O, a voltage reference **must** be provided on the selected pin for that parameter. With the input signal enabled, the MagnaLOAD electronic load will no longer reference the digitally stored values for that parameter, meaning no other programming method will be available for that parameter as long as it's assigned to an analog input. For example, if the user enables Iset on one of the analog input signals, Iset can no longer be programmed from the front panel or computer interface; instead, the user needs to provide a 0-10 V reference on the selected pin.

The analog reference ground is provided on Pin 1 of the External User I/O. As the MagnaLOAD electronic load's power processing stages can develop electrical noise on the earth ground, this analog reference ground is provided as a clean reference control ground path allowing for accurate low-level voltage programming and measurement. The analog reference ground is tied to the product's earth ground through resistance, to help filter any noise on the ground.

The set points driven by the analog inputs are visible on the front panel set point menu and can also be queried from the computer interface. Similarly, the trip point settings driven by the analog inputs are visible on the front panel trip point sub-menu and can be queried from the computer interface.

7.2. Analog Outputs

The following table provides the selection of the available analog output parameters:

| Parameter | Description | Output Reference Voltage Range | Corresponding Output Range |
|-----------|------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Vin | Measured Input Voltage | 0-10V | 0-100% of maximum voltage |
| Iin | Measured Input Current | 0-10V | 0-100% of maximum current |
| Pin | Measured Input Power | 0-10V | 0-100% of maximum power |
| Rin | Resistance Set Point | 0-10V | 100%-0 of maximum resistance |

The voltage, power, and resistance measurements provided by the analog outputs are measured at the configured sense location. If remote sense is enabled, the measurement will be taken at the sense leads; otherwise, the measurement will be taken at locally at the DC input terminals.

7.3. Digital Inputs

The ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load has four digital input signals on its rear External User I/O. The External User I/O pin layout is defined in [Operation: External User I/O](#).

The four digital inputs are reconfigurable, allowing the user to change the pin assignments. The pin assignment can be modified from the front panel or from the MagnaWEB software.

Each digital input function is activated using +5V logic, but the logic varies among the available functions. This logic used by each function is detailed in the table below.

The digital input impedance is 10 k Ω .

A +5V reference signal is provided on Pin 14. This reference signal may be used in conjunction with external dry contacts to trigger the digital input functions.

Note

For safety, the Stop function will always take precedence over the Start function.

The following table provides the selection of the available digital input parameters:

| Command/Function | Description | Default Pin | Logic |
|---------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Input Enable | 1-pin alternative to the Start-Stop commands. | Pin 11 | Active W |
| Interlock | Normal operation requires a +5V assertion signal. | None | Normally |
| Clear | Removes fault status if the fault is no longer present. | None | Active W |
| Lock | Block inputs from front panel keypresses. | None | Active W |

7.3.1. Digital Input Logic Definitions

Momentary

The function is triggered by the momentary rising edge of a +5V signal. The minimum pulse duration to activate a momentary digital input function is 3 ms.

Normally Closed

When the function has been assigned to a pin, +5V must be present on the designated pin for normal operation. When the +5V is removed, the function will be triggered.

Active When Present

The function is active as long as +5V is present on the designated pin.

7.4. Digital Outputs

The ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load has eight digital output signals on its rear External User I/O. The External User I/O pin layout is defined in [Operation: External User I/O](#).

The eight digital outputs are reconfigurable, allowing the user to change their pin assignments. The pin assignment can be modified from the front panel.

The digital outputs are used to monitor the MagnaLOAD electronic load's internal states. A pin will output +5V when a state is active and 0V when a state is inactive. The maximum output current per pin is 20mA.

⚠ Caution

Trying to draw more than 32 mA from a digital output will damage the MagnaLOAD electronic load's controller.

The following table provides the selection of the available digital output parameters:

| State | Description | Defa |
|---------------|--|------|
| Enabled | The input is engaged and the MagnaLOAD electronic load is processing power | Pin |
| Standby/Fault | The MagnaLOAD electronic load is either in a standby or faulted state | Non |
| Standby | The MagnaLOAD electronic load is in standby | Pin |
| Fault | The MagnaLOAD electronic load is in a faulted state | Pin |
| CV Regulation | The MagnaLOAD electronic load is regulating voltage | Non |
| CC Regulation | The MagnaLOAD electronic load is regulating current | Non |
| CP Regulation | The MagnaLOAD electronic load is regulating power | Non |
| CR Regulation | The MagnaLOAD electronic load is regulating resistance | Non |
| Lock | The lock function is active and the MagnaLOAD electronic load is locked | Non |

8. Operation: Computer Programming

Every MagnaLOAD DC electronic load has the following communication connections available:

| Interface | Location | Connector | Standard/Optional | Priority |
|---------------------|----------|-----------|-------------------|----------|
| USB (Host) | Front | JR1 | Standard | 1 |
| USB (Host) | Rear | JR2 | Standard | 2 |
| RS485 | Rear | JR3 | Standard | 5 |
| LXI TCP/IP Ethernet | Rear | JR6 | Optional | 3 |
| IEEE-488 GPIB | Rear | JR6 | Optional | 3 |

All of the communication connections share the same internal communications bus; only one communication interface can be used at a time. The front panel menu display will always show what communication interface is active. The MagnaLOAD electronic load

The front panel USB takes the highest computer interface priority. When a front or rear USB connection is physically made the MagnaLOAD electronic load will automatically switch to computer control from RS485 to the newly connected USB port. Conversely, when a command is sent via the optional LXI TCP/IP Ethernet or IEEE-488 GPIB interface, the MagnaLOAD electronic load will automatically switch to computer control from the Ethernet or GPIB port with the new communication. Switching back to USB requires disconnecting and reconnecting the USB plug or power cycling the MagnaLOAD electronic load. RS485 is the lowest priority interface and only has control when the USB ports are disconnected and there is no communication over LXI TCP/IP Ethernet or IEEE-488 GPIB interfaces.

8.1. Communications Validation

It is important to establish and validate basic communications functions before starting a sophisticated computer interface project. The following instructions are intended to help customers isolate problems with computer settings, wiring, and electrical noise. The validation instructions also provide a common environment for which Magna-Power can reproduce issues in support cases and better serve the customer.

If not already installed, Magna-Power Electronics recommends using the terminal emulation programs called [PuTTY](#) for creating serial connections.

8.1.1. USB Communications Validation

USB uses serial communications. To test, make a physical connection between the USB Type B connector on the MagnaLOAD electronic load and the USB Type A on the computer. Pin outs for these connectors are described in [USB Interface](#). Connect using the standard USB cable included with the product. The front panel shows the active state of the communications interface. If the front USB was connected, the display should transition from RS485 to USB2. If the rear USB was connected, the display should transition from RS485 to USB1. After a physically connection is made a session connection is made with the MagnaLOAD electronic load.

Open *Device Manager* and under ports make note of the COM port number, as shown in [Fig. 8.1](#).

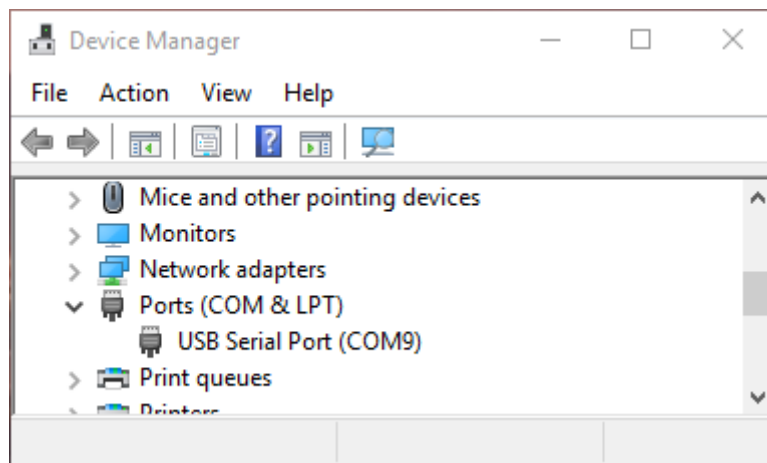


Fig. 8.1 Window Device Manager

Open *PuTTY* and select the *Session* menu. Enter the COM port that was found in *Device Manager* and enter 115200 for the *Speed*. Set the *Connection type* to *Serial*, as shown in [Fig. 8.2](#).

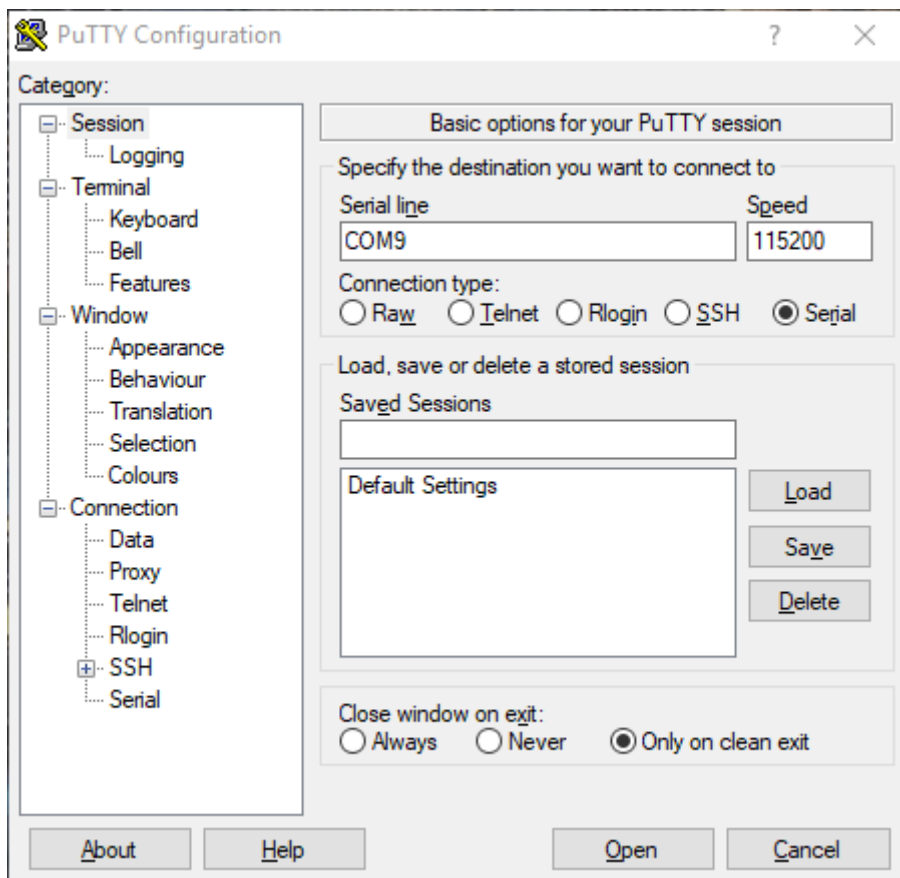


Fig. 8.2 PuTTY Session Settings

Select the *Terminal* menu and set *Force on* for all options. Press the *Open* button to start the communications session with the MagnaLOAD electronic load, as shown in [Fig. 8.3](#).

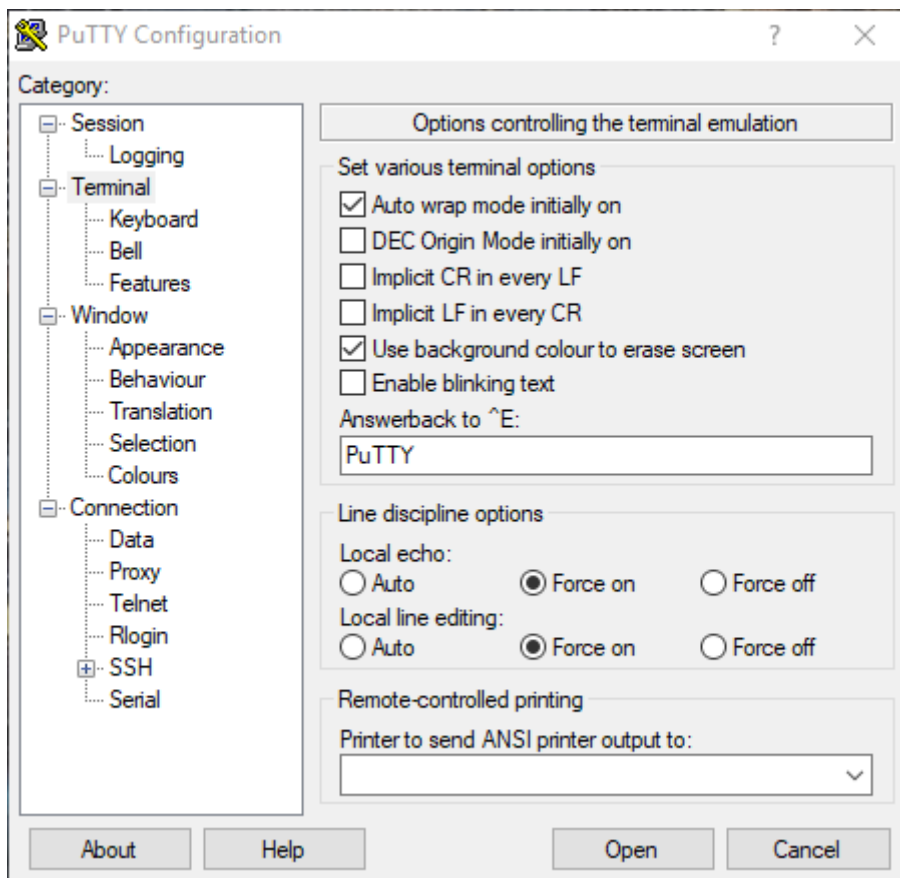


Fig. 8.3 PuTTY Terminal Settings

Session should open a new blank window. Type the command:

```
*IDN?
```

If settings match and wiring connections are correct, the session window should look like [Fig. 8.4](#).

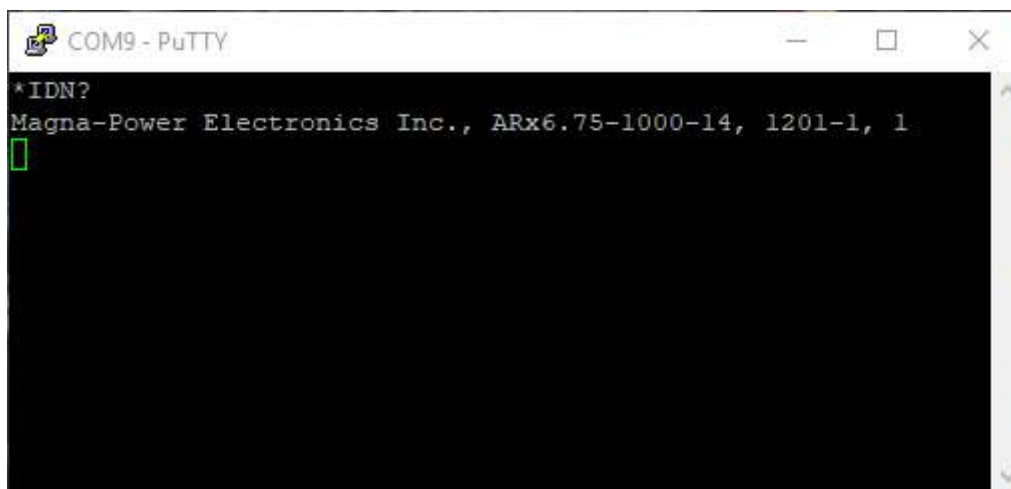


Fig. 8.4 PuTTY Terminal Session Output

8.1.2. RS485 Communications Validation

RS485 also uses serial communications. Most customers will need a USB-to-RS485 adapter (not included) to allow the computer to connect to RS485. Any RS485 adapter should work provided it supports half-duplex communication and 115200 baud. Magna-Power Electronics recommends USB-COM485-PLUS1 and USB-COM485-PLUS4 adapters from FTDI. The adapter will serial port(s) in Windows *Device Manager*.

Customers will also need to create their own cable. The MagnaLOAD electronic load interfaces to RS485 through a RJ45 connector located in the rear. RJ45 mates readily with Category 5 Ethernet cables. When crimping wires to the connector make sure to follow the pins outs described in [RS485 Interface](#).

By default, the RS485 interface is active when no other communication interface cables are connected. The front display will always show the RS485 state even when the wire is disconnect. Once the computer and MagnaLOAD electronic load are physically connected, open PuTTY, and follow the instructions described in [USB Communications Validation](#) to make a serial connection and test it.

8.2. Programming Methods

There is a large selection of commands and interfaces that can be used to program the MagnaLOAD electronic load. A computer can communicate with MagnaLOAD electronic load using either USB, RS485, Ethernet, or GPIB. A programmable logic controller can control MagnaLOAD electronic load operation through analog IO and digital IO pins exposed on the rear connector.

The MagnaLOAD electronic load implements Standard Commands for Programmable Instrumentation (SCPI), a protocol that communicates using simple ASCII commands through a standard serial port. These commands are detailed in [SCPI Command Set](#). Simple digital and analog interfaces to the product are detailed in [Operation: External User I/O](#).

8.3. USB Communications

Two USB ports come standard on all MagnaLOAD electronic loads. Magna-Power Electronics implements the USB protocol stack using FTDI chip set, a plug and play (PnP) device, that automatically install drivers. Connection to a computer can be established using a standard USB cable, with one end connected to the MagnaLOAD electronic load and the other to a controlling device. The communication port parameters are shown in [Table 8.1](#). Guidelines on establishing simple serial session is discussed in [USB Communications Validation](#).

Table 8.1 Serial Port Settings

| Parameter | Value |
|--------------|----------|
| Baud | 115200 |
| Data bits | 8 |
| Stop bits | 1 |
| Parity | None |
| Flow Control | XON/XOFF |

8.4. RS485 Communications

One RS485 port comes standard on all MagnaLOAD electronic loads. Connection to a computer can be established using a modified Ethernet cable (not included), with one end connected to the MagnaLOAD electronic load and the other to a controlling device. The communication port parameters are shown in [Table 8.1](#).

8.5. LXI TCP/IP Ethernet Communications

MagnaLOAD DC electronic load products are available with an optional LXI TCP/IP Ethernet interface (+LXI). The LXI TCP/IP Ethernet interface meets the LXI Class C, Revision 1.4 standard. When specified at time of order, an Ethernet interface module is installed, providing an embedded Ethernet port for communications.

Ethernet connections can be made Magna-Power supplied software interface application, terminal emulation programs like [PuTTY](#), user written software, National Instruments LabVIEW™ and a wide variety of other software programming interfaces.

8.5.1. Address Negotiation

By default, DHCP is enabled on the MagnaLOAD electronic load. If the Ethernet board does not discover a DHCP server, the MagnaLOAD electronic load will default to the Auto-IP configuration as defined in [Table 8.2](#). The device then automatically selects an IP address from 169.254.###.### and subnet as described in RFC 3927 (Request for Comments 3927 - Dynamic Configuration of IPv4 Link-Local Addresses). This routine is used by most computer operating systems.

Table 8.2 Default LXI TCP/IP Ethernet Setting (without DHCP server)

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| IP Address | 169.254.###.### |
| Subnet Mask | 255.255.0.0 |
| Default Gateway | 0.0.0.0 |

| | |
|-------------|--------------------|
| IP Address | 169.254.###.### |
| DNS Server | 0.0.0.0 |
| MAC Address | 01:1E:6F:##:##:## |
| Username | admin |
| Password | <i>leave blank</i> |

The LAN Reset button provides a way to reset the LAN configuration password and to set the device back to DHCP/Auto-IP mode. To activate the LAN Reset function, ensure the power supply is on and in standby mode. Hold down the LAN Reset button for approximately 4 seconds. Observe that the LAN LED rapidly flashes and after 4 seconds, release the LAN Reset button. The LAN configuration password will be reset to blank and the module will be set to DHCP/Auto-IP enabled.

The MAC address consists of two number groups, in format: ##:##:##:##:##:##. For Magna-Power Electronics products, the first three bytes are always 01:1E:6F. The second three bytes are determined by the the LXI TCP/IP Ethernet interface's serial number, converted to hex. This serial number can be queried from the power supply using the SCPI command

```
SYSTem:COMMunicate:NETwork:SERial .
```

The LXI TCP/IP Ethernet module supports the mDNS discovery protocol allowing the device to be discovered on the network by software such as National Instruments Measurement and Automation Explorer, Agilent Connection Expert, or the Remote Interface Software supplied with the power supply.

8.5.2. Connectivity

The LAN status LED, located at the rear of the MagnaLOAD electronic load, provides LAN fault and device identification, defined as follows:

On - Normal Operation

The device has a properly configured IP address and the network cable is connected.

Flashing - Device Identify

The LXI Device Identification function was enabled via the Instrument Identification web page. This identification can help the user to quickly locate the unit and distinguish it from similar devices.

Off - LAN Fault

The device is experiencing one or more of the following LAN fault conditions: failure to acquire a valid IP address, detection of a duplicate IP address on the network, failure to renew an already acquired DHCP lease, or the LAN cable is disconnected.

8.5.3. Network discovery

The Ethernet module supports the mDNS discovery protocol allowing the device to be discovered on the network by software such as National Instruments' Measurement and Automation Explorer, Agilent Connection Expert, or the Remote Interface Software (RIS Panel) supplied with the MagnaLOAD electronic load.

8.5.3.1. NI Measurement and Automation Explorer

To access discovery with NI Measurement and Automation Explorer, the NI-VISA add-on module must be installed along with the standard software package. Start NI Measurement and Automation Explorer, right-click on Devices and Interfaces, and then select "Create New..." Select "VISA TCP/IP Resource" from the list. Click Next and then select Auto-detect of LAN Instrument. Click Next and the software will scan the local network for VXI devices and display them for configuration for further usage with NI-VISA and related software.

8.5.3.2. Agilent Connection Expert

To access discovery with Agilent Connection Expert, start Agilent Connection Expert. Select your computer's LAN interface and then click the Add Instrument button at the top of the screen. The software will scan the local network for VXI devices and display them for configuration for further use with Agilent VISA compatible software.

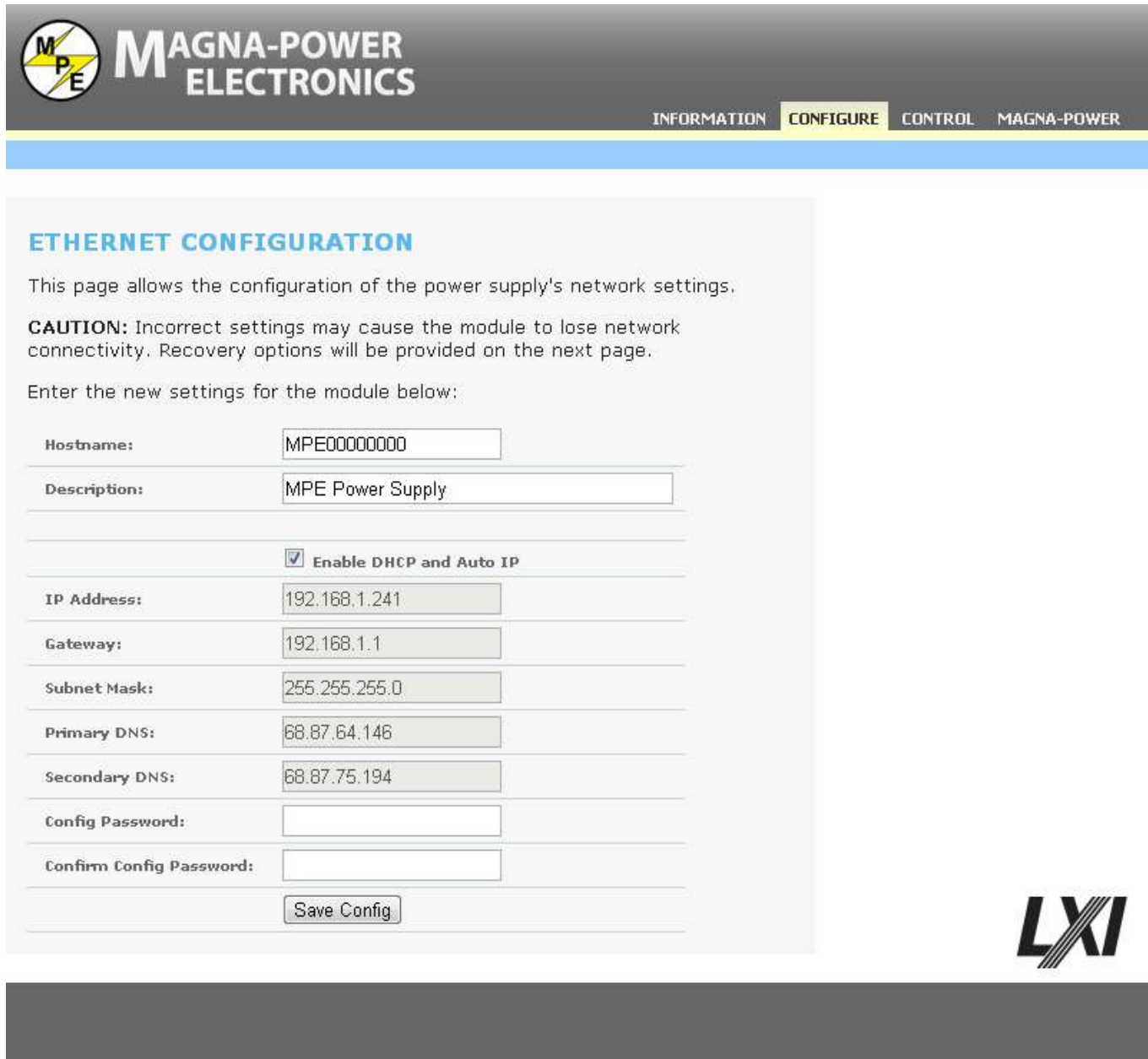
8.5.3.3. Web Browser

The LXI TCP/IP Ethernet interface has an embedded web server that allows the user to view and change the module's network settings. Magna-Power Electronics LXI TCP/IP Ethernet interface is LXI Class C compliant under LXI Standard Revision 1.4.

To access the web server, first determine the module's IP address via one of the discovery methods described in [RIS Panel](#). Alternatively, if the host computer supports NetBIOS over TCP/IP, you may use the device's NetBIOS name instead of the IP address.

Open a WC3 compliant web browser such as Google Chrome, Edge (Chromium), or Mozilla Firefox to [http:// \[ipaddress\]/](http://[ipaddress]/) or [http://\[hostname\]/](http://[hostname]/). The instrument information screen will be displayed as shown in fig-lxi-discovery-web. This figure provides the basic information about the configuration and allows the user to enable or disable the LXI Identification. Click Enable Identify or Disable Identify to change the state of the LXI Identification. When LXI Identification is enabled, the LAN LED on the back of the MagnaLOAD electronic load unit will blink. This can help the user to quickly locate the MagnaLOAD electronic load and distinguish it from similar devices.

To change the Ethernet interface's network settings, click the Configure tab in the upper right. The browser will prompt for a username and password if you have not authenticated the device already. To authenticate, enter admin for the username and leave the password field blank. The instrument configuration screen, [Web interface configuration panel](#), will appear. This page enables the user to change the Hostname (which corresponds to the NetBIOS name), the description, password, and TCP/IP configuration. After changes to the configuration are made, click the Save Config button. The configuration will be saved, the Ethernet interface will reboot and instructions will be displayed for reconnecting to the interface.



The screenshot shows the 'MAGNA-POWER ELECTRONICS' logo in the top left corner. A navigation bar at the top right contains the following tabs: INFORMATION, CONFIGURE (highlighted), CONTROL, and MAGNA-POWER. Below the navigation bar is a blue horizontal bar. The main content area is titled 'ETHERNET CONFIGURATION' in blue text. Below the title, a paragraph states: 'This page allows the configuration of the power supply's network settings.' A **CAUTION:** notice follows: 'Incorrect settings may cause the module to lose network connectivity. Recovery options will be provided on the next page.' Below this, it says 'Enter the new settings for the module below:'. The configuration form includes the following fields and options:

- Hostname: MPE00000000
- Description: MPE Power Supply
- Enable DHCP and Auto IP
- IP Address: 192.168.1.241
- Gateway: 192.168.1.1
- Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0
- Primary DNS: 68.87.64.146
- Secondary DNS: 68.87.75.194
- Config Password: (empty)
- Confirm Config Password: (empty)
- Save Config button

The LXI logo is visible in the bottom right corner of the page.

Fig. 8.5 Web interface configuration panel

The browser may prompt for a username and password if you have not authenticated the device already. To authenticate, enter admin for the username and leave the password field blank.

8.5.3.4. MagnaWEB

MagnaWEB is a software application created by Magna-Power to connect to the ALx Series MagnaLOAD DC electronic load through RS485, USB, or LXI. There is a menu in the the program that will discovery other LXI devices on the network and connect to one of them.

8.6. IEEE-488 GPIB Communications

MagnaLOAD DC electronic load products are available with an optional IEEE-488 GPIB interface. When specified at time of order, an IEEE-488 GPIB interface module is installed internally, providing an embedded IEEE-488 GPIB port available for communiations. With two UART ports available, RS232 and IEEE-488 GPIB, the one first receiving communications after power on is the port that is activated. Once activated, the other UART port cannot be recognized unless there has been a period of inactivity for 5 minutes. After this period, a new UART port can be recognized by sending communications. The IEEE-488 GPIB terminal, connector JS4, is detailed in

All of the SCPI subsystem commands in the previous section can be initiated using RS232, optional IEEE-488 GPIB (+GPIB), or optional LXI TCP/IP Ethernet (+LXI) communications.

The IEEE-488 standard defines a method for status reporting. As illustrated in [NEED FIGURE], the reporting method uses the IEEE-488 Status Byte (STB). Three bits of this byte are defined as:

- Master Status Summary (MSS) Bit
- Event Status Bit (ESB)
- Message Available (MAV) Bit

The **Master Status Summary (MSS)** is an unlatched bit. When the Status Byte Register is read using a Status Byte Register query, bit 6 will be 1 if there are any conditions requiring service.

The STB is masked by the Service Request Enable Register (SRE) to allow the user to mask specific or all events from setting the MSS bit to 1. The MSS bit is obtained by logical OR'ing the bits of the enabled Status Byte Register.

The **Event Status Bit (ESB)** is set when one of the events defined in the Event Status Register (ESR) [REFERENCE ESR TABLE HERE] has occurred. Like the STB, the ESR is masked by the Event Status Enable Register (ESE) to allow the user to mask specific or all events from setting the ESB to 1.

The **Message Available (MAV)** bit is set to 1 when a message is available in the output buffer.

8.6.1. IEEE-488 GPIB Communications with NI MAX

National Instruments offers Measurement and Automation Explorer (MAX), a Graphical User Interface, as a terminal emulation program for configuring an Interchangeable Virtual Instrument (IVI). MAX is usually installed with one of National Instrument's Application Development Environments such as LabVIEW, Measurement Studio, or with hardware product drivers such as NI-488 and NI-DAQ.

To operate the power supply with MAX, the instrument must first be located for communications. The following steps describe this procedure.

1. Run the MAX application program.
2. In the Configuration window, press the + sign to the left of Devices and Interfaces to view the installed devices.
3. If there is more than one IEEE-488 GPIB device listed, then select the correct GPIB device.
4. Press Scan for Instruments on the menu bar and wait several seconds.
5. At least one instrument should appear under the GPIB controller. If no instruments appear, then refer to [REFERENCE PROGRAMMING GPIB SECTION] to verify the correct setup.
6. On the menu bar, press Communicate with Instrument. The NI-488 Communicator dialog box should appear.
7. In the NI-488 Communicator dialog box, press the Configure EOS button. The Termination Method dialog box should appear.
8. Select the option Send EOI at end of Write. Enter 0 into the EOS byte. Press OK.

| Pin | Definition | Pin | Definition |
|-----|-------------------------|-----|-------------------|
| 1 | DIO1/Data line | 13 | DIO5/Data line |
| 2 | DIO2/Data line | 14 | DIO6/Data line |
| 3 | DIO3/Data line | 15 | DIO7/Data line |
| 4 | DIO4/Data line | 16 | DIO8/Data line |
| 5 | EOI/End or Identify | 17 | REN/Remote Enable |
| 6 | DAV/Data Valid | 18 | DAV/Gnd |
| 7 | NRFD/Not Ready for Data | 19 | NRFD/Gnd |
| 8 | NDAC/Not Data Accepted | 20 | NDAC/Gnd |
| 9 | IFC/Interface Clear | 21 | IFC/Gnd |
| 10 | SRQ/Service Request | 22 | SRQ/Gnd |
| 11 | ATN/Attention | 23 | ATN/Gnd |
| 12 | Shield | 24 | Gnd |

9. SCPI Command Set

Standard Commands for Programmable Instrumentation (SCPI) support is provided for all MagnaLOAD electronic load products. These commands provide programming compatibility with other instruments. SCPI commands are ASCII textual strings, which are sent to the instrument over the physical layer, providing support over all communication interfaces. Utilizing these SCPI commands provides the simplest form of programming a MagnaLOAD electronic load product, as they are driver and programming environment independent. Further information about the SCPI standard and conventions are in the section: [SCPI Introduction](#). The full list of linked commands are in section: [SCPI Command Reference List](#).

9.1. SCPI Introduction

9.1.1. Command Structure

There are two types of SCPI messages: program and response.

A *program message* consists of one or more properly formatted SCPI commands sent from the controller to the MagnaLOAD electronic load. The message, which may be sent at any time, requests the MagnaLOAD electronic load to perform some action.

A *response message* consists of data in a specific SCPI format sent from the MagnaLOAD electronic load to the controller. The MagnaLOAD electronic load sends the message only when requested from a program message query.

9.1.2. Data Types

The following datatypes, referenced in the SCPI command descriptions, describe the responses from query SCPI commands:

<NR1>

Digits with an implied decimal point assumed at the right of the least-significant digit.

Example: 273

<NR2>

Digits with an explicit decimal point. Example: .0273

<NR3>

Digits with an explicit decimal point and an exponent. Example: 2.73E+2

The following data types, referenced in the SCPI command descriptions, describe the parameters from program SCPI commands:

<Nrf>

Extended format that includes <NR1>, <NR2>, and <NR3>. Examples: 273, 273., 2.73E2

<Nrf+>

Expanded decimal format that includes <Nrf> and MIN MAX. MIN and MAX are the minimum and maximum limit values that are implicit in the range specification for the parameter. Examples: 273, 273., 2.73E2, MAX

<Bool>

Boolean Data. Example: 0 | 1 or ON | OFF

9.1.3. Termination

A new line <NL> character must be sent to the MagnaLOAD electronic load to terminate a SCPI command string. The IEEE-488 EOI (End-Or-Identify) message is interpreted as a <NL> character and can be used to terminate a command string in place of an <NL>. A carriage return followed by a new line <CR><NL> is also accepted. Command string termination will always reset the current SCPI command path to the root level.

9.1.4. Syntax Conventions

Square brackets []

Used to enclose a parameter that is optional when programming the command; that is, the instrument shall process the command to have the same effect whether the option node is omitted by the programmer or not.

Angle brackets <>

Used to enclose mandatory parameters or to indicate a returned parameter. For example, in the CURRent <value> command syntax, the <value> parameter is enclosed in triangle brackets. The brackets are not sent with the command string. You must specify a value for the parameter, for example: `CURRent 125`

Vertical bar |

Used to separate multiple parameter choices for the command string, for example:

`[SOURce:]CURRent 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum`

9.2. SCPI Commands

9.2.1. Reference List

The subsystems provide more details on all the supported commands. The following table provides a summary of all the available SCPI commands:

| SCPI Command | Description |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| CONFigure Subsystem | |
| CONFigure:CONTRol | Sets the control mode |
| CONFigure:FUNCTion:TYPE | Sets the desired function for the integrated function |
| CONFigure:LOCK | Locks and unlocks the product from configuration a |
| CONFigure:RANGe | Enables extended power range |
| CONFigure:RESTore | Restores the factory EEPROM data |
| CONFigure:SENSe | Configures the sense location and automated comp |
| CONFigure:SOURce | Sets the setpoint source |
| FUNCTion Subsystem | |
| [:SOURce]:FUNCTion:RAMP:LEVel:HIGH | Sets the high level amplitude for the ramp function |
| [:SOURce]:FUNCTion:RAMP:LEVel:LOW | Sets the low level amplitude for the ramp function |
| [:SOURce]:FUNCTion:RAMP:PERiod:FALL | Sets the period for the ramp function to transition fr |
| [:SOURce]:FUNCTion:RAMP:PERiod:RISE | Sets the period for the ramp function to transition fr |
| [:SOURce]:FUNCTion:SINusoid:AMPLitude | Sets the amplitude for the sinusoid function |
| [:SOURce]:FUNCTion:SINusoid:OFFSet | Sets the DC offset from zero for the sinusoid functio |
| [:SOURce]:FUNCTion:SINusoid:PERiod | Sets the period for the sinusoid function |
| [:SOURce]:FUNCTion:SQUare:LEVel:HIGH | Sets the high level amplitude for the square function |
| [:SOURce]:FUNCTion:SQUare:LEVel:LOW | Sets the low level amplitude for the square function |
| [:SOURce]:FUNCTion:SQUare:PERiod:HIGH | Sets the period that the square function remains at t |
| [:SOURce]:FUNCTion:SQUare:PERiod:LOW | Sets the period that the square function remains at t |
| [:SOURce]:FUNCTion:STEP:LEVel:HIGH | Sets the high level amplitude for the step function |
| [:SOURce]:FUNCTion:STEP:LEVel:LOW | Sets the low level amplitude for the step function |
| INPut Subsystem | |
| INPut | Enables or disables the DC input based on paramete |

| SCPI Command | Description |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| INPut:PROTEction:CLEar | Reset soft faults |
| INPut:START | Enables the DC input |
| INPut:STOP | Disables the DC input |
| MEASure Subsystem | |
| MEASure[:SCALar]:ALL[:DC]? | Measures and returns the average current, voltage, r |
| MEASure[:SCALar]:CURRent[:DC]? | Measures and returns the average current at the ser |
| MEASure[:SCALar]:POWEr[:DC]? | Measures and returns the instantaneous DC power a |
| MEASure[:SCALar]:RESistance[:DC]? | Measures and returns the instantaneous resistance |
| MEASure[:SCALar]:VOLTage[:DC]? | Measures and returns the average voltage at the ser |
| SOURce Subsystem | |
| [:SOURce]:CURRent | Sets the current set-point |
| [:SOURce]:CURRent:PROTEction:OVER | Sets the over current trip (OCT) set-point |
| [:SOURce]:CURRent:SLEW:FALL | Sets the falling slew rate for current when in current |
| [:SOURce]:CURRent:SLEW:RISE | Sets the rising slew rate for current when in current i |
| [:SOURce]:CURRent:SLEW[:BOTH] | Sets the slew rate for both rising and falling transiti |
| [:SOURce]:POWEr | Sets the power set-point |
| [:SOURce]:POWEr:PROTEction:OVER | Sets the over power trip (OPT) set-point |
| [:SOURce]:POWEr:SLEW:FALL | Sets the falling slew rate for power when in power re |
| [:SOURce]:POWEr:SLEW:RISE | Sets the rising slew rate for power when in power re |
| [:SOURce]:POWEr:SLEW[:BOTH] | Sets the slew rate for both rising and falling power tr |
| [:SOURce]:RESistance | Sets the resistance set-point |
| [:SOURce]:RESistance:SLEW:FALL | Sets the falling slew rate for resistance when in resis |
| [:SOURce]:RESistance:SLEW:RISE | Sets the rising slew rate for resistance when in resis |
| [:SOURce]:RESistance:SLEW[:BOTH] | Sets the slew rate for rising and falling resistance tra |
| [:SOURce]:SETPoint | Sets all set-points using one command |
| [:SOURce]:VOLTage | Sets the voltage set-point |
| [:SOURce]:VOLTage:PROTEction:LOW | Sets the under voltage trip (UVT) set-point |
| [:SOURce]:VOLTage:PROTEction:OVER | Sets the over voltage trip (OVT) set-point |
| [:SOURce]:VOLTage:SLEW:FALL | Sets the falling slew rate for voltage when in voltage |

| SCPI Command | Description |
|--|---|
| [[:SOURce]:VOLTage:SLEW:RISE | Sets the rising slew rate for voltage when in voltage |
| [[:SOURce]:VOLTage:SLEW[:BOTH] | Sets the slew rate for rising and falling voltage trans |
| STATus Subsystem | |
| *CLS | Clear all status registers |
| *ESE | Configure Event Status Enable Register |
| *ESR? | Read Event Status Register |
| *IDN? | Product identification |
| *OPC | Operation Complete Bit |
| *RST | Reset to factory default states |
| *SRE | Service Request Enable Register |
| *STB? | Status Byte |
| *TST? | Execute self-test |
| *WAI | Wait till complete |
| STATus:QUEStionable:CONDition? | Returns the value of the Questionable Status registe |
| STATus:REGister? | Status Register |
| SYSTEM Subsystem | |
| SYSTEM:ERRor:COUNt? | Returns number of errors in queue |
| SYSTEM:ERRor? | Returns error type and message |
| SYSTEM:VERSion? | Returns hardware revision and firmware version |
| [SYSTEM][:COMMunicate]:GPIB:ADDRess | Returns address of GPIB module |
| [SYSTEM][:COMMunicate]:GPIB:VERSion? | Returns firmware version of GPIB module |
| [SYSTEM][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:ADDRess | Set the static IP address |
| [SYSTEM][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:DHCP | Set DHCP operation mode |
| [SYSTEM][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:GATE | Set the Gateway IP address |
| [SYSTEM][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:HOSTname? | Return hostname |
| [SYSTEM][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:MAC? | Returns MAC address |
| [SYSTEM][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:PORT | Set the socket number |
| [SYSTEM][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:SER? | Returns Ethernet module serial number |
| [SYSTEM][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:SUBNet | Set the subnet IP Mask address |

| SCPI Command | Description |
|--|---|
| <code>[SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:VERSion?</code> | Returns firmware and hardware version of Ethernet |

9.2.2. CONFigure Subsystem

9.2.2.1. CONFigure:CONTrol

This command configures the MagnaLOAD electronic load's control mode. [Control Modes](#) provides more information about the various options.

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Command Syntax: | <code>CONFigure:CONTrol <NR1></code> |
| Parameters: | 1 (CURRENT) 2 (VOLTAGE) 3 (RESISTANCE) 4 (POWER) 5 (RHEOSTAT) 6 (SHUNTREG) |
| Examples: | <code>CONF:CONT 1</code> |
| *RST Value: | 1 (CURRENT) |
| Query Syntax: | <code>CONFigure:CONTrol?</code> |
| Return Parameter Format: | <NR1> |

9.2.2.2. CONFigure:FUNCTion:TYPe

This command selects the desired function for the integrated function generator, which is active when the product's [set point source](#) is set to function generator.

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Command Syntax: | <code>CONFigure:FUNCTion:TYPe <NR1></code> |
| Parameters: | 0 (Sinusoid) 1 (Square) 2 (Step) 3 (Ramp) |
| Examples: | <code>CONF:FUNC 1</code> |
| *RST Value: | 0 (Sinusoid) |
| Query Syntax: | <code>CONFigure:FUNCTion:TYPe?</code> |
| Return Parameter Format: | <NR1> |

9.2.2.3. CONFigure:LOCK

This command configures the MagnaLOAD electronic load's lock state. While locked, the stop button is the only functional button on the front panel. See [protect-lock](#) for more details on how lock works and how behaves relative to other locking inputs (front panel and digital input).

Command Syntax: `CONFigure:LOCK <bool>`

Parameters: 0 (OFF) | 1 (ON)

Examples: `CONF:LOCK 1`, `CONF:LOCK 0`

*RST Value: N/A

Query Syntax: `CONFigure:LOCK?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR3>`

9.2.2.4. CONFigure:RANGe

This command activates a programmable series resistance and is available only in ARx and WRx models. When enabled, power dissipation is shared across series resistors and linear devices allowing the product to reach higher power levels.

Command Syntax: `CONFigure:RANGe <NR1>`

Parameters: 0 (low power) | 1 (high power)

Examples: `CONF:RANG 1`

*RST Value: 0 (low power)

Query Syntax: `CONFigure:RANGe?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR1>`

9.2.2.5. CONFigure:RESTore

This command performs a factory restore to default EPROM values. Both Soft Restore and Hard Restore are available through command parameters.

Command Syntax: `CONFigure:RESTore <NR1>`

Parameters: 1 (Soft Restore) | 2 (Hard Restore)

Examples: `CONF:REST 1`, `CONF:REST 2`

*RST Value: N/A

9.2.2.6. CONFigure:SENSe

This command configures where the MagnaLOAD electronic load senses voltage. The sense location also effects how power and resistance are calculated. Local sensing monitors the directly across the output terminals. Remote sensing, as described in remote-sense, measures

across the terminal JS2. This external connection can be used to improve regulation at the point of load, as is needed for example, in compensating voltage drops caused by wire resistance.

Command Syntax: `CONFigure:SENSe <NR1>`

Parameters: 0 (local) | 1 (remote)

Examples: `CONF:SENS 1`

*RST Value: N/A

Query Syntax: `CONFigure:SENSe?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR1>

9.2.2.7. CONFigure:SOURce

The command selects and routes different set points sources to the digital controller. Operation of this feature is described in [Set Point Source](#). By default, the source is set to *local* (value 0), where set points originating from the front panel or communication interfaces are routed to the ALx Series digital control. When the source is set to *function generator* (value 1), set points are generated internally, by a periodic function generator block. When *external analog input* (value 3) is set, the voltage(s) applied to the rear connector are converted into set points.

Command Syntax: `CONFigure:SOURce <NR1>`

Parameters: 0 (local) | 1 (function generator) | 2 (external analog input)

Examples: `CONF:SOUR 1`

*RST Value: 0 (local)

Query Syntax: `CONFigure:SOURce?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR1>

9.2.3. MEASure Subsystem

9.2.3.1. MEASure[:SCALar]:ALL[:DC]?

This query command returns the average measurements as a list for current, voltage, power, and resistance, respectively.

Query Syntax: `MEASure[:SCALar]:ALL[:DC]?`

Examples: `MEAS:ALL?`, `MEASURE:ALL:DC?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>, <NR2>, <NR2>, <NR2>

9.2.3.2. MEASure[:SCALar]:CURRent[:DC]?

This query commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average current through the DC terminals.

Query Syntax: `MEASure[:SCALar]:CURRent[:DC]?`

Examples: `MEAS:CURR?`, `MEASURE:CURRENT:DC?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR2>`

9.2.3.3. MEASure[:SCALar]:POWer[:DC]?

This query commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average power at the DC terminals.

Query Syntax: `MEASure[:SCALar]:POWer[:DC]?`

Examples: `MEAS:POW?`, `MEASURE:POWER:DC?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR2>`

9.2.3.4. MEASure[:SCALar]:RESistance[:DC]?

This query commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average power at the DC terminals.

Query Syntax: `MEASure[:SCALar]:RESistance[:DC]?`

Examples: `MEAS:RES?`, `MEASURE:RESISTANCE:DC?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR2>`

9.2.3.5. MEASure[:SCALar]:VOLTage[:DC]?

This query commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average voltage at the DC terminals. If the remote sense function is used and engaged, this command returns the voltage measured at the sense terminals.

Query Syntax: `MEASure[:SCALar]:VOLTage[:DC]?`

Examples: `MEAS:VOLT?`, `MEASURE:VOLTAGE:DC?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR2>`

9.2.4. INPut Subsystem

The INPut Subsystem is an aliased version of the SCPI Standard's OUTPut subsystem. From the SCPI Standard:

A source which is sourcing impedance (programmable load) is allowed to alias this subsystem as INPut, providing that the OUTPut keyword is also recognized and the INPut subsystem is not used for its intended purpose within the instrument.

9.2.4.1. INPut

This command enables or disables the MagnaLOAD electronic load input. The state of a disabled input is a high impedance condition.

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Command Syntax: | <code>INPut <bool></code> |
| Parameters: | 0 (OFF) 1 (ON) |
| Examples: | <code>INP 1</code> |
| Alias: | <code>``OUTPut <bool>``</code> |
| *RST Value: | 0 (OFF) |

9.2.4.2. INPut:PROTection:CLEar

This commands removes the latch that disables the input when a fault condition is detected, as further detailed in [Clear Command](#) documentation. All conditions that generate the fault must be resolved before the latch can be cleared. Once the fault has been cleared, the input can be re-enabled with the [INPut:START](#) command.

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Command Syntax: | <code>INPut:PROTection:CLEar</code> |
| Parameters: | None |
| Examples: | <code>INP:PROT:CLE</code> |
| Alias: | <code>OUTPut:PROTection:CLEar</code> |
| *RST Value: | N/A |

9.2.4.3. INPut:START

This command enables or disables the MagnaLOAD electronic load input. The state of a disabled input is a high impedance condition.

Command Syntax: `INPut:START`

Parameters: None

Examples: `INP:START`

Alias: `OUTPut:START`

*RST Value: N/A

9.2.4.4. INPut:STOP

This command disables MagnaLOAD electronic load input. The STOP command mirrors the front panel Stop button functionality, providing an alternative to the parameter-based `INPut` command.

Command Syntax: `INPut:STOP`

Parameters: None

Examples: `INP:STOP`

Alias: `OUTPut:STOP`

*RST Value: N/A

9.2.5. SOURce Subsystem

9.2.5.1. [:SOURce]:CURRent

This command programs the current set-point that the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant current mode.

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce]:CURRent <NRf+>`

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Examples: `CURR 0.5`, `CURR 5`

*RST Value: MINimum

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce]:CURRent?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>

9.2.5.2. [:SOURce]:CURRent:PROTection:OVER

This command programs the over current trip (OCT) set-point. If the input current exceeds the over current trip set-point for multiple samples, the input is disconnected and an OCT fault is indicated.

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce]:CURRent:PROTection:OVER <NRf+>`

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Examples: `CURR:PROT:OVER 25.00`

***RST Value:** MAXimum

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce]:CURRent:PROTection:OVER?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>

9.2.5.3. [:SOURce]:CURRent:SLEW:FALL

This command sets the current slew rate for decreasing current transitions while in constant current regulation. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce]:CURRent:SLEW:FALL <NRf+>`

Parameters: 1 to MAXimum [A/ms] | MAXimum | MINimum

Examples: `CURR:SLEW:FALL MAX`, `CURR:SLEW:FALL 22`

***RST Value:** MAXimum

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce]:CURRent:SLEW:FALL?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>

9.2.5.4. [:SOURce]:CURRent:SLEW:RISE

This command sets the current slew rate for increasing current transitions while in constant current regulation. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce]:CURRent:SLEW:RISE <NRf+>`

Parameters: 1 to MAXimum [A/ms] | MAXimum | MINimum

Examples: `CURR:SLEW:RISE MAX`, `CURR:SLEW:RISE 22`

***RST Value:** MAXimum

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce] :CURRent:SLEW:RISE?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>

9.2.5.5. [:SOURce]:CURRent:SLEW[:BOTH]

This command sets the current slew rate for current transitions in constant current regulation. This command programs both rising and falling slew rates, respectively. Although any slew rate value may be entered, the MagnaLOAD electronic load selects a slew rate that is closest to the programmed value. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce] :CURRent:SLEW[:BOTH] <NRf+>, <NRf+>`

Parameters: 1 to MAXimum [A/ms] | MAXimum | MINimum

Examples: `CURR:SLEW MAX`, `CURR:SLEW 0.2, 0.2`

***RST Value:** MAXimum

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce] :CURRent:SLEW[:BOTH]?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>, <NR2>

9.2.5.6. [:SOURce]:POWER

This command programs the power set-point, in watts, which the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant power mode.

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce] :POWER <NRf+>`

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Examples: `POW 223.6`, `POW 5225`

***RST Value:** MINimum

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce] :POWER?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>

9.2.5.7. [:SOURce]:POWER:PROTection:OVER

This command programs the over power trip (OPT) set-point. If the input power exceeds the over power trip set-point for multiple sample, the input is disconnected and an OPT fault is indicated.

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce]:POWer:PROTection:OVER <NRf+>`

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Examples: `POW:PROT:OVER 662.2`

***RST Value:** MAXimum

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce]:POWer:PROTection:OVER?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>

9.2.5.8. [:SOURce]:POWer:SLEW:FALL

This command sets the power slew rate for decreasing power transitions while in constant power regulation. The units for power slew rate are watts per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce]:POWer:SLEW:FALL <NRf+>`

Parameters: 1 to MAXimum [W/ms] | MAXimum | MINimum

Examples: `POW:SLEW:FALL MAX`, `POW:SLEW:FALL 24`

***RST Value:** MAXimum

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce]:POWer:SLEW:FALL?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>

9.2.5.9. [:SOURce]:POWer:SLEW:RISE

This command sets the power slew rate for increasing power transitions while in constant power regulation. The units for power slew rate are watts per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce]:POWer:SLEW:RISE <NRf+>`

Parameters: 1 to MAXimum [W/ms] | MAXimum | MINimum

Examples: `POW:SLEW:RISE MAX`, `POW:SLEW:RISE 39`

*RST Value: MAXimum

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce] :POWer :SLEW :RISE ?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR2>`

9.2.5.10. [:SOURce]:POWer:SLEW[:BOTH]

This command sets the power slew rate for the MagnaLOAD electronic load while in constant power regulation. This command programs both rising and falling slew rates, respectively. The units for power slew rate are watts per millisecond. Although any slew rate value may be entered, the MagnaLOAD electronic load selects a slew rate that is closest to the programmed value. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce] :POWer :SLEW [:BOTH] <NRf+>, <NRf+>`

Parameters: 1 to MAXimum [W/ms] | MAXimum | MINimum

Examples: `POW:SLEW MAX`, `POW:SLEW 50, 50`

*RST Value: MAXimum

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce] :POWer :SLEW [:BOTH] ?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR2>, <NR2>`

9.2.5.11. [:SOURce]:RESistance

This command programs the resistance set-point, in ohms, which the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant resistance mode.

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce] :RESistance <NRf+>`

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Examples: `RES 223.6`, `RES 522.5`

*RST Value: MINimum

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce] :RESistance ?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR2>`

9.2.5.12. [:SOURce]:RESistance:SLEW:FALL

This command sets the resistance slew rate for decreasing resistance transitions while in constant resistance regulation. The units for resistance slew rate are ohms per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Command Syntax: | <code>[:SOURce]:RESistance:SLEW:FALL <NRf+></code> |
| Parameters: | 1 to MAXimum [?/ms] MAXimum MINimum |
| Examples: | <code>RES:SLEW:FALL MAX</code> , <code>RES:SLEW:FALL 24</code> |
| *RST Value: | MAXimum |
| Query Syntax: | <code>[:SOURce]:RESistance:SLEW:FALL?</code> |
| Return Parameter Format: | <NR2> |

9.2.5.13. [:SOURce]:RESistance:SLEW:RISE

This command sets the resistance slew rate for increasing resistance transitions while in constant resistance regulation. The units for resistance slew rate are ohms per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Command Syntax: | <code>[:SOURce]:RESistance:SLEW:RISE <NRf+></code> |
| Parameters: | 1 to MAXimum [?/ms] MAXimum MINimum |
| Examples: | <code>RES:SLEW:RISE MAX</code> , <code>RES:SLEW:RISE 39</code> |
| *RST Value: | MAXimum |
| Query Syntax: | <code>[:SOURce]:RESistance:SLEW:RISE?</code> |
| Return Parameter Format: | <NR2> |

9.2.5.14. [:SOURce]:RESistance:SLEW[:BOTH]

This command sets the resistance slew rate for the MagnaLOAD electronic load while in constant resistance regulation. This command programs both rising and falling slew rates, respectively. The units for resistance slew rate are ohms per millisecond. Although any slew rate value may be entered, the MagnaLOAD electronic load selects a slew rate that is closest to

the programmed value. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce]:RESistance:SLEW[:BOTH] <NRf+>, <NRf+>`

Parameters: 1 to MAXimum [?/ms] | MAXimum | MINimum

Examples: `RES:SLEW MAX`, `RES:SLEW 50`

***RST Value:** MAXimum

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce]:RESistance:SLEW[:BOTH]?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>, <NR2>

9.2.5.15. [:SOURce]:SETPoint

This command programs all set-points using the list of values: current, voltage, power, and resistance, respectively.

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce]:SETPoint <NRf+>[mA|A], <NRf+>[mV|V], <NRf+>, <NRf+>`

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Examples: `SETPT 1.0, 1000.0, 1250.0, 1795.0`

***RST Value:** MINimum

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce]:SETPoint?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>, <NR2>, <NR2>, <NR2>

9.2.5.16. [:SOURce]:VOLTage

This command programs the voltage set-point, in volts, which the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant voltage mode.

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce]:VOLTage <NRf+>`

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Examples: `VOLT 223.6`, `VOLT 552.5`

***RST Value:** MINimum

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce]:VOLTage?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>

9.2.5.17. [:SOURce]:VOLTage:PROTection:LOW

This command programs the under voltage trip (UVT) set-point. If the input voltage falls below the under voltage trip set-point for multiple samples, the input is disconnected and an UVT fault is indicated.

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Command Syntax: | <code>[:SOURce]:VOLTage:PROTection:LOW <NRf+></code> |
| Parameters: | 0 through MAX MINimum MAXimum |
| Examples: | <code>VOLT:PROT:LOW 32.5</code> |
| *RST Value: | MAXimum |
| Query Syntax: | <code>[:SOURce]:VOLTage:PROTection:LOW?</code> |
| Return Parameter Format: | <NR2> |

9.2.5.18. [:SOURce]:VOLTage:PROTection:OVER

This command programs the over voltage trip (OVT) set-point. If the input voltage exceeds the over voltage trip set-point for multiple samples, the input is disconnected and an OVT fault is indicated.

| | |
|--------------------------|---|
| Command Syntax: | <code>[:SOURce]:VOLTage:PROTection:OVER <NRf+></code> |
| Parameters: | 0 through MAX MINimum MAXimum |
| Examples: | <code>VOLT:PROT:OVER 662.2</code> |
| *RST Value: | MAXimum |
| Query Syntax: | <code>[:SOURce]:VOLTage:PROTection:OVER?</code> |
| Return Parameter Format: | <NR2> |

9.2.5.19. [:SOURce]:VOLTage:SLEW:FALL

This command sets the voltage slew rate for decreasing voltage transitions while in constant voltage regulation. The units for voltage slew rate are volts per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Command Syntax: | <code>[:SOURce]:VOLTage:SLEW:FALL <NRf+></code> |
|-----------------|---|

Parameters: 1 to MAXimum [V/ms] | MAXimum | MINimum

Examples: `VOLT:SLEW:FALL MAX`, `VOLT:SLEW:FALL 24`

*RST Value: MAXimum

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce] :VOLTage :SLEW :FALL ?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>

9.2.5.20. [:SOURce]:VOLTage:SLEW:RISE

This command sets the voltage slew rate for increasing voltage transitions while in constant voltage regulation. The units for voltage slew rate are volts per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce] :VOLTage :SLEW :RISE <NRf+>`

Parameters: 1 to MAXimum [V/ms] | MAXimum | MINimum

Examples: `VOLT:SLEW:RISE MAX`, `VOLT:SLEW:RISE 39`

*RST Value: MAXimum

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce] :VOLTage :SLEW :RISE ?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>

9.2.5.21. [:SOURce]:VOLTage:SLEW[:BOTH]

This command sets the voltage slew rate for the MagnaLOAD electronic load while in constant voltage regulation. This command programs both rising and falling slew rates, respectively. The units for voltage slew rate are volts per millisecond. Although any slew rate value may be entered, the MagnaLOAD electronic load selects a slew rate that is closest to the programmed value. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce] :VOLTage :SLEW [:BOTH] <NRf+>, <NRf+>`

Parameters: 1 to MAXimum [V/ms] | MAXimum | MINimum

Examples: `VOLT:SLEW MAX`, `VOLT:SLEW 50,50`

*RST Value: MAXimum

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce] :VOLTage:SLEW[:BOTH] ?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR2>, <NR2>`

9.2.6. FUNCTION Subsystem

9.2.6.1. [:SOURce]:FUNCTION:RAMP:LEVEL:HIGH

This command sets the high level amplitude for the ramp function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 3 (ramp).

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce] :FUNCTION:RAMP:LEVEL:HIGH <NRf+>`

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Examples: `FUNC:RAMP:LEV:HIGH 200`, `FUNC:RAMP:LEV:HIGH MAX`

*RST Value: 50:Query Syntax: `[:SOURce] :FUNCTION:RAMP:LEVEL:HIGH?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR2>`

9.2.6.2. [:SOURce]:FUNCTION:RAMP:LEVEL:LOW

This command sets the low level amplitude for the ramp function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 3 (ramp).

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce] :FUNCTION:RAMP:LEVEL:LOW <NRf+>`

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Examples: `FUNC:RAMP:LEV:LOW 60`, `FUNC:RAMP:LEV:LOW MIN`

*RST Value: 10:Query Syntax: `[:SOURce] :FUNCTION:RAMP:LEVEL:LOW?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR2>`

9.2.6.3. [:SOURce]:FUNCTION:RAMP:PERIOD:FALL

This command sets the period/duration (milliseconds) for the ramp function to transition from the high level amplitude to the low level amplitude when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 3 (ramp).

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce] :FUNCTION:RAMP:PERIOD:FALL <NRf+>`

Parameters: 2 through MAX | MINimum (2 ms) | MAXimum (65,000 ms)

Examples: `FUNC:RAMP:PER:FALL 1400`, `FUNC:RAMP:PER:FALL 80`

*RST Value: 10

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce] :FUNction :RAMP :PERiod :FALL ?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>

9.2.6.4. [:SOURce] :FUNction :RAMP :PERiod :RISE

This command sets the period/duration (milliseconds) for the ramp function to transition from the low level amplitude to the high level amplitude when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 3 (ramp).

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce] :FUNction :RAMP :PERiod :RISE <NRf+>`

Parameters: 2 through MAX | MINimum (2 ms) | MAXimum (65,000 ms)

Examples: `FUNC :RAMP :PER :RISE 4500`, `FUNC :RAMP :PER :RISE 30`

*RST Value: 10

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce] :FUNction :RAMP :PERiod :RISE ?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>

9.2.6.5. [:SOURce] :FUNction :SINusoid :AMPLitude

This command sets the amplitude (Adc) for the sinusoid function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 0 (sinusoid).

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce] :FUNction :SINusoid :AMPLitude <NRf+>`

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Examples: `FUNC :SIN :AMP 200`, `FUNC :SIN :AMP MAX`

*RST Value: 10: Query Syntax: `[:SOURce] :FUNction :SINusoid :AMPLitude ?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>

9.2.6.6. [:SOURce] :FUNction :SINusoid :OFFSet

This command sets the DC offset from zero (Adc) for the sinusoid function midline when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 0 (sinusoid).

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce] :FUNction :SINusoid :OFFSet <NRf+>`

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Examples: `FUNC:SIN:OFFS 25`, `FUNC:SIN:OFFS MAX`

*RST Value: 50:Query Syntax: `[:SOURce]:FUNction:SINusoid:OFFSet?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR2>`

9.2.6.7. [:SOURce]:FUNction:SINusoid:PERiod

This command sets the period (milliseconds) for the sinusoid function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 0 (sinusoid). The sinusoid's period is the length of one full cycle.

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce]:FUNction:SINusoid:PERiod <NRf+>`

Parameters: 2 through MAX | MINimum (2 ms) | MAXimum (65,000 ms)

Examples: `FUNC:SIN:PER 3500`, `FUNC:SIN:PER MAX`

*RST Value: 10

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce]:FUNction:SINusoid:PERiod?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR2>`

9.2.6.8. [:SOURce]:FUNction:SQUare:LEVel:HIGH

This command sets the high level amplitude for the square function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 1 (square).

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce]:FUNction:SQUare:LEVel:HIGH <NRf+>`

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Examples: `[:SOURce]:FUNction:SQUare:LEVel:HIGH <NRf+>`

*RST Value: 50:Query Syntax: `[:SOURce]:FUNction:SQUare:LEVel:HIGH?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR2>`

9.2.6.9. [:SOURce]:FUNction:SQUare:LEVel:LOW

This command sets the low level amplitude for the square function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 1 (square).

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce]:FUNction:SQUare:LEVel:LOW <NRf+>`

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Examples: `FUNC:SQU:LEV:LOW 60`, `FUNC:SQU:LEV:LOW MIN`

*RST Value: 10:Query Syntax: `[:SOURce]:FUNction:SQUare:LEVel:LOW?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR2>`

9.2.6.10. [:SOURce]:FUNction:SQUare:PERiod:HIGH

This command sets the period/duration (milliseconds) that the square function remains at the low level amplitude when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 1 (square).

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce]:FUNction:SQUare:PERiod:HIGH <NRf+>`

Parameters: 2 through MAX | MINimum (2 ms) | MAXimum (65,000 ms)

Examples: `FUNC:SQU:PER:HIGH 4500`, `FUNC:SQU:PER:HIGH MAX`

*RST Value: 10

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce]:FUNction:SQUare:PERiod:HIGH?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR2>`

9.2.6.11. [:SOURce]:FUNction:SQUare:PERiod:LOW

This command sets the period/duration (milliseconds) that the square function remains at the low level amplitude when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 1 (square).

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce]:FUNction:SQUare:PERiod:LOW <NRf+>`

Parameters: 2 through MAX | MINimum (2 ms) | MAXimum (65,000 ms)

Examples: `FUNC:SQU:PER:LOW 2500`, `FUNC:SQU:PER:LOW MAX`

*RST Value: 10

Query Syntax: `[:SOURce]:FUNction:SQUare:PERiod:LOW?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR2>`

9.2.6.12. [:SOURce]:FUNction:STEP:LEVel:HIGH

This command sets the high level amplitude for the step function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 2 (step).

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce]:FUNction:STEP:LEVel:HIGH <NRf+>`

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Examples: `FUNC:STEP:LEV:HIGH 200`, `FUNC:STEP:LEV:HIGH MAX`

***RST Value:** 50:Query Syntax: `[:SOURce]:FUNction:STEP:LEVel:HIGH?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>

9.2.6.13. [:SOURce]:FUNction:STEP:LEVel:LOW

This command sets the low level amplitude for the step function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 2 (step).

Command Syntax: `[:SOURce]:FUNction:STEP:LEVel:LOW <NRf+>`

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Examples: `FUNC:STEP:LEV:LOW 60`, `FUNC:STEP:LEV:LOW MIN`

***RST Value:** 10:Query Syntax: `[:SOURce]:FUNction:STEP:LEVel:LOW?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR2>

9.2.7. STATUS Subsystem

Status commands let you determine the condition of the MagnaLOAD electronic load at any time, grouping together multiple feedback parameters into one returned value.

9.2.7.1. *CLS

This command clears all status register ([ESR](#), [STB](#) and error queue).

Command Syntax: `*CLS`

Parameters: None

Examples: `*CLS`

***RST Value:** N/A

9.2.7.2. *ESE

This command programs the Event Status Enable Register (ESE). The programming determines which events of the [Event Status Register \(ESR\)](#) set the Event Status Bit (ESB) of the Status Byte Register (STB). A “1” in the bit position enables the corresponding event. All of the enabled events of the ESE are logically OR’d to cause the ESB of the STB to be set.

Command Syntax: `*ESE <NR1>`

Parameters: Register Bit Position

Examples: `*ESE 255`

*RST Value: N/A

Query Syntax: `*ESE?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR1>`

9.2.7.3. *ESR?

This query reads the Event Status Register (ESR). After reading the ESR, the register is cleared. The bit configuration of the ESR is the same as the Event Status Enable Register (:Query Syntax:

`*ESR?` :Examples: `*ESR?` :*RST Value: N/A :Return Parameter Format: `<NR1>`

Event Status Register

| Bit | Weight | Abbreviation | Description |
|-----|--------|--------------|----------------------------------|
| 0 | 1 | OPC | Operation Complete |
| 1 | 2 | NU | Not Used |
| 2 | 4 | QYE | Query Error |
| 3 | 8 | DDE | Device Dependent Error |
| 4 | 16 | EXE | Execution Error |
| 5 | 32 | CME | Command Error |
| 6 | 64 | NU | Not Used |
| 7 | 128 | PON | Power On Event, 1 after power on |

9.2.7.4. *IDN?

This query requests MagnaLOAD electronic load to identify itself, returning a string composed of three fields separated by commas.

Query Syntax: `*IDN?`

Examples: `*IDN?`

*RST Value: N/A

Return Parameter Format: Company Name, MagnaLOAD electronic load Model, Serial Number, Firmware Version

Return Example: Magna-Power Electronics Inc., ARx16.75-1000-14, 1201-0001, 0.029

9.2.7.5. *OPC

This command clears the operation complete bit found in the event status register (ESR). Should be used in application programming when delay exists between sending a SCPI command and the execution of the command. When all commands have completed, the OPC bits gets set back to 1.

Command Syntax: *OPC

Examples: *OPC

***RST Value:** N/A

Query Syntax: *OPC?

Return Parameter Format: <NR1>

9.2.7.6. *RST

This command resets the various settings and functions in the MagnaLOAD electronic load to their factory default state. This command is commonly used in initialization routines to restore the MagnaLOAD electronic load to a known configuration. Factory default settings for each command are indicated in the description for respective SCPI commands. SCPI commands with :Command Syntax: *RST :Parameters: None :Examples: *RST :*RST Value: N/A

9.2.7.7. *SRE

This command sets the Service Request Enable Register (SRE). This register, defined in the table "Service Request Enable Register", determines which bits from the Status Byte Register (see :Command Syntax: *SRE <NR1> :Parameters: Register Bit Position :Examples: *SRE 20 :*RST Value: N/A :Query Syntax: *SRE? :Return Parameter Format: <NR1>

Service Request Enable Register

| Bit | Weight | Abbreviation | Description |
|-----|--------|--------------|-------------------------|
| 0 | 1 | NU | Not Used |
| 1 | 2 | NU | Not Used |
| 2 | 4 | NU | Not Used |
| 3 | 8 | QUES | Questionable Status Bit |

| Bit | Weight | Abbreviation | Description |
|-----|--------|--------------|-----------------------|
| 4 | 16 | MAV | Message Available Bit |
| 5 | 32 | ESB | Event Status Bit |
| 6 | 64 | RQS | Request Service Bit |
| 7 | 128 | NU | Not Used |

9.2.7.8. *STB?

This query gets the Status Byte (STB). Registers are cleared only when the signals feeding it are cleared.

Query Syntax:

Parameters: None

Examples:

*RST Value: N/A

Return Parameter Format: <NR1>

9.2.7.9. *TST?

Executes a self-test routine that validates the operational condition of the MagnaLOAD electronic load. If all tests pass, a 0 is returned, if any test fails, 1 is returned.

Query Syntax:

Parameters: None

Examples:

*RST Value: N/A

Return Parameter Format: <NR1>

9.2.7.10. *WAI

Buffer commands until all previous commands have completed execution.

Command Syntax:

Parameters: None

Examples:

*RST Value: N/A

9.2.7.11. STATus:QUEStionable:CONDition?

This command queries and returns the values of the Questionable Register. This read-only register holds the live (unlatched) questionable statuses of the MagnaLOAD electronic load. Issuing this query does not clear the register. The bit configuration of the Questionable Register is shown in the table below.

Query Syntax: `STATus:QUEStionable:CONDition?`

Parameters: None

Examples: `STAT:QUES:COND?`

*RST Value: No Effect

Return Parameter Format: <bit value>

Questionable Register

| Bit | Weight | Abbreviation | Description |
|-----|--------|--------------|---|
| 0 | 1 | OVP | over voltage protection, hard fault |
| 1 | 2 | OCT | over current trip, soft fault |
| 2 | 4 | OVT | over voltage trip, soft fault |
| 3 | 8 | OPT | over power trip, soft fault |
| 4 | 16 | OCP | over current protection, hard fault |
| 5 | 32 | OTP | over temperature protection, hard fault |
| 6 | 64 | RSL | remote sense loss, hard fault |
| 7 | 128 | CC | constant current regulation, regulation status |
| 8 | 256 | CV | constant voltage regulation, regulation status |
| 9 | 512 | CR | constant resistance regulation, regulation status |
| 10 | 1024 | CP | constant power regulation, regulation status |
| 11 | 2048 | SFLT | soft fault, the ord value of all soft faults |
| 12 | 4096 | HFLT | hard fault, the ord value of all hard faults |

9.2.7.12. STATus:REGister?

This command queries the Status Register. This read-only register holds the live (unlatched) operation status of the MagnaLOAD electronic load. Issuing a query does not clear the register. The register location and definitions are subject to change after any firmware release to accommodate new features. The [Questionable Register](#) is a subset of the status register and does not change between firmware updates. The present bit assignments are shown in the table below.

Query Syntax: `STATus:REGister?`

Parameters: None

Examples: `STAT:REG?`

***RST Value:** No Effect

Return Parameter Format: <NR1>

Status Register

| Bit | Name | Description |
|-----|-----------------|---|
| 0 | standby | output is in standby |
| 1 | live | output is active |
| 2 | nonhalt1 | available |
| 3 | nonhalt2 | available |
| 4 | overCurrTrip | over current trip |
| 5 | overVoltTrip | over voltage trip |
| 6 | overPwrTrip | over power trip |
| 7 | remoteSenseLoss | remote sense voltage outside of acceptable bounds |
| 8 | underVoltTrip | under voltage trip |
| 9 | shutdown | target is creating a shutdown condition |
| 10 | linPwrLim | power across linear modules exceed ratings |
| 11 | resPwrLim | power across resistors exceed ratings |
| 12 | bootFailure | one or multiple target did not boot up |
| 13 | bootState | one or more targets are waiting to boot |
| 14 | phaseCurr | rated phase current exceeded |
| 15 | comm | communications are corrupted |
| 16 | overCurrProtect | terminal current exceeded product rating |

| Bit | Name | Description |
|-----|-------------------|---|
| 17 | overVoltProtect | terminal voltage exceeded product rating |
| 18 | tempRLin | linear module exceeded temperature |
| 19 | blownFuse | fuse is blown on the auxiliary power supply |
| 20 | interlock | interlock open |
| 21 | haltUserClear | available |
| 22 | maintenance | maintenance |
| 23 | tempDMod | diode modules exceeded temperature |
| 24 | invalidProdConfig | invalid product configuration |
| 25 | stackOverflow | exceeded firmware stack |
| 26 | lineFault | line fault analog/digital inputs |
| 27 | tempRMod | resistor module exceeded temperature |
| 28 | belowRatedMinVolt | below minimum voltage rating(28) |
| 29 | outOfRegulation | out of regulation, unexpected currents measured |
| 30 | targetUpgrade | mainctrl upgrading other targets |
| 31 | haltSelfClear | available |
| 32 | constantCurr | regulation state |
| 33 | constantVolt | regulation state |
| 34 | constantRes | regulation state |
| 35 | constantPwr | regulation state |
| 36 | powerRange | operation range |
| 37 | remoteSense | sense terminal in use |
| 38 | lock | lock state |
| 39 | extAnlgCtrl | external control through analog inputs |
| 40 | overTemp | temperature fault linear and resistor combined |
| 41 | softTripShutdown | protection trip caused due to soft faults |
| 42 | hardTripShutdown | protection trip caused due to hard faults |
| 43 | notUsed1 | available |
| 44 | notUsed2 | available |
| 45 | notUsed3 | available |

| Bit | Name | Description |
|-----|-----------|-------------|
| 46 | notUsed4 | available |
| 47 | notUsed5 | available |
| 48 | notUsed6 | available |
| 49 | notUsed7 | available |
| 50 | notUsed8 | available |
| 51 | notUsed9 | available |
| 52 | notUsed10 | available |
| 53 | notUsed11 | available |
| 54 | notUsed12 | available |
| 55 | notUsed13 | available |
| 56 | notUsed14 | available |
| 57 | notUsed15 | available |
| 58 | notUsed16 | available |
| 59 | notUsed17 | available |
| 60 | notUsed18 | available |
| 61 | notUsed19 | available |
| 62 | notUsed20 | available |
| 63 | notUsed21 | available |

9.2.8. SYSTEM Subsystem

9.2.8.1. SYSTem:ERRor:COUNT?

This query reads the number of errors in the error queue.

Query Syntax:

`SYSTem:ERRor:COUNT?`

Examples:

`SYST:ERR:COUN?`

Return Parameter Format:

<NR1>

9.2.8.2. SYSTem:ERRor?

The SYST:ERR? query returns the error type and message that occurred in the system. The format of the return string is an error number followed by corresponding error message string. The errors are stored in a FIFO (first-in, first-out) buffer. As the errors are read, they are removed from the queue. When all errors have been read, the query returns 0, "NO ERROR." If more errors have accumulated than the queue can hold, the last error in the queue will be -350, "Queue Overflow." When system errors occur, the Standard Event Status Register (ESR), records the error groups as defined in the table Error Bits table below. The Error Message table below lists system errors that are associated with SCPI syntax errors and with interface problems.

Query Syntax:

`SYSTem:ERRor?`

Examples:

`SYST:ERR?`, `SYSTEM:ERROR?`

Return Parameter Format:

<error code>, <"error string">

Standard Event Status Register Error Bits

| Bit | Error Code | Error Type |
|-----|------------------|------------------|
| 5 | 100 through -199 | Command |
| 4 | 200 through -299 | Execution |
| 3 | 300 through -399 | Device dependent |
| 2 | 400 through -499 | Query |

Error Messages

| Bit | Error String | Error Error Description |
|------|-----------------------|---|
| -100 | Command error | Generic Command error |
| -102 | Syntax error | Unrecognized command or data type |
| -108 | Parameter not allowed | Too many parameters |
| -222 | Data out of range | Value provided outside device's range |
| -350 | Queue overflow | Errors lost due to too many errors in queue |
| -400 | Query Error | Generic query error |

9.2.8.3. SYSTem:VERSion?

The SYST:VERS? query returns the MagnaLOAD electronic load's bootloader, firmware, and hardware revision, respectively. The returned value is a comma-separated list of values.

Query Syntax:

`SYSTem:VERSion?`

Examples:

`SYST:VERS?`, `SYSTEM:VERSION?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR2>`, `<NR2>`, `<NR2>`

9.2.8.4. [SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:GPIB:ADDRess

This command is available only for units with the IEEE-488 GPIB (+GPIB) option installed. This command sets the address of the GPIB module of the MagnaLOAD electronic load. The address can be 1 to 30 where address 0 is normally assigned to the GPIB Master. The factory default address is 1.

Command Syntax:

`[SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:GPIB:ADDRess <NR1>`

Parameters:

1 - 30

Examples:

`SYST:COMM:GPIB:ADDR 27`, `GPIB:ADDR 27`

Query Syntax:

`[SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:GPIB:ADDR?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR1>`

9.2.8.5. [SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:GPIB:VERSion?

This query is available only for units with the IEEE-488 GPIB (+GPIB) option installed. This query reads the firmware version of the GPIB communication module.

Query Syntax:

`[SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:GPIB:VERSion?`

Examples:

`SYST:COMM:GPIB:VERS?`, `GPIB:VERS?`

Return Parameter Format: `<Firmware Ver. XX.Y>`

9.2.8.6. [SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:ADDRess

This command sets the static address of the Ethernet module of the MagnaLOAD electronic load. The factory default address setting is 192.168.1.100.

Command Syntax:

`[SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:ADDRess <string>`

Parameters:

IP address is represented with 4 bytes each having a range of 0-255 separated by periods

Examples:

`SYSTem:COMM:NET:ADDR 192.168.10.2`, `NET:ADDR 192.168.10.2`

Query Syntax:

`[SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:ADDRess?`

Return Parameter Format: `<string>`

9.2.8.7. [SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:DHCP

This command sets the DHCP operating mode of the Ethernet module. If DHCP is set to 1, the module will allow its IP address to be automatically set by the DHCP server on the network. If DHCP is set to 0, the default IP address is set according to .

Command Syntax: `[SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:DHCP <NR1>`

Parameters: 0 (DHCP Off) | 1 (DHCP On)

Examples: `SYST:COMM:NET:DHCP 0`, `NET:DHCP 1`

Query Syntax: `[SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:DHCP?`

Return Parameter Format: <NR1>

9.2.8.8. [SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:GATE

This command sets the Gateway IP address of the Ethernet module of the MagnaLOAD electronic load. The factory default Gateway IP setting is 192.168.1.1.

Command Syntax: `[SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:GATE <string>`

Parameters: Gateway IP address is represented with 4 bytes each having a range of 0-255 separated by dots

Examples: `SYSTem:COMM:NET:GATE 192.168.10.2`, `NET:GATE 192.168.10.2`

Query Syntax: `[SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:GATE?`

Return Parameter Format: <string>

9.2.8.9. [SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:HOSTname?

This query reads the host name of the Ethernet communications module.

Query Syntax: `[SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:HOSTname?`

Examples: `SYST:COMM:NET:HOST?`, `NET:HOST?`

Return Parameter Format: <string>

9.2.8.10. [SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:MAC?

This query returns the MAC address of the Ethernet module. MAC address consist of two number groups: the first three bytes are known as the Organizationally Unique Identifier (OUI), which is distributed by the IEEE, and the last three bytes are the device's unique serial number. The six bytes are separated by hyphens. The MAC address is unique to the instrument and cannot be altered by the user.

Query Syntax: `[SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:MAC?`

Examples: `SYST:COMM:NET:MAC?`, `NET:MAC?`

Return Parameter Format: `<XX-XX-XX-YY-YY-YY>`

9.2.8.11. [SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:PORT

This command sets the Socket (Port) of the Ethernet module of the MagnaLOAD electronic load. The factory default port setting is 50505. The factory recommends port values greater than 49151 to avoid conflicts with registered Ethernet port functions.

Command Syntax: `[SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:PORT <NR1>`

Parameters: 16-bit socket number (1 to 65,535)

Examples: `SYSTem:COMM:NET:PORT 50505`, `NET:PORT 50505`

Query Syntax: `[SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:PORT?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR1>`

9.2.8.12. [SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:SER?

This command returns the serial number of the Ethernet module. The serial number is an integer ranging from 1 to 16777215 and cannot be altered by the user.

Query Syntax: `[SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:SER?`

Examples: `SYST:COMM:NET:SER?`, `NET:SER?`

Return Parameter Format: `<NR1>`

9.2.8.13. [SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:SUBNet

This command sets the subnet IP Mask address of the Ethernet module of the MagnaLOAD electronic load. The factory subnet mask setting is 255.255.255.0.

Command Syntax: `[SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:SUBNet <string>`

Parameters: IP mask address is represented with 4 bytes each having a range of 0-255 separated by periods.

Examples: SYSTem:COMM:NET:SUBNet 255.255.255.128 ,
NET:SUBNet 255.255.255.128

Query Syntax: [SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:SUBNet?

Return Parameter Format: <string>

9.2.8.14. [SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:VERSion?

This query reads the firmware and hardware versions of the Ethernet communications module.

Query Syntax: [SYSTem][:COMMunicate]:NETwork:VERSion?

Examples: SYST:COMM:NET:VERS? , NET:VERS?

Return Parameter Format: <Firmware Ver. XX.Y, Hardware Rev. XX.Y>

10. Modbus Command Set

10.1. Modbus RTU over Serial

Modbus RTU is a serial communication protocol that allows devices to communicate over the provided serial interfaces (USB and RS-485). The following connection settings must be used to connect to Modbus RTU on Magna-Power products:

- Baud Rate: 115200
- Parity: None
- Data Bits: 8 bits

If the serial connection settings are configured incorrectly, Modbus messages may result in framing or CRC timeout errors. Further information about framing errors can be found in [Error Handling](#).

Bit Allocation - Read Holding Registers (Function Code = 0x03)

| Slave Address | Function Code | Starting Address (Hi) | Starting Address (Lo) | Register Count (Hi) | Register Count (Lo) | CRC (Lo) | CRC (Hi) |
|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------|----------|
| 0-7 | 8-15 | 16-23 | 24-31 | 32-39 | 40-47 | 48-55 | 56-63 |

Bit Allocation - Write Single Register (Function Code = 0x06)

| Slave Address | Function Code | Starting Address (Hi) | Starting Address (Lo) | Write Data (Hi) | Write Data (Lo) | CRC (Lo) | CRC (Hi) |
|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------|----------|
| 0-7 | 8-15 | 16-23 | 24-31 | 32-39 | 40-47 | 48-55 | 56-63 |

Bit Allocation - Write Multiple Registers (Function Code = 0x10)

| Slave Address | Function Code | Starting Address (Hi) | Starting Address (Lo) | Register Count (Hi) | Register Count (Lo) | Byte Count | Data (Hi) | Data (Lo) | Data (Hi) |
|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 0-7 | 8-15 | 16-23 | 24-31 | 32-39 | 40-47 | 48-55 | 56-63 | 64-71 | 72-79 |

10.2. Modbus Terminology

Slave Address

Address of the device to be communicated to. See [Device Addressing Mode](#) for details

Function Code

Defines the type of action to be performed by the device. See [Functions](#) for details.

Starting Address Hi/Lo

High/low bytes of the register address the command is referencing. In Table 2, this is listed as the Address.

Register Count Hi/Lo

Number of registers that the command is referencing. In modbus-command-info, this is listed as the Register Count. Ex. A register count of 2 should have a Hi value of 00h and a Lo value of 02h

Byte Count

Number of bytes referenced by the command. This number should be twice the Register Count.

Register Value Hi/Lo

High/low value of what is stored in the registers. See [Data Format](#) to see how this data is formatted.

CRC Lo/Hi

Cyclic Redundancy Check low and high bytes.

10.3. Device Addressing Mode

Modbus supports unicast and broadcast addressing modes.

In unicast mode request and response messages are sent by a master and slave nodes , respectively. In the master request, the slave address must be included to receive a response from a listening slave device. Magna-Power has this address set to 1.

In broadcast addressing mode, the master sends a request to all listening slaves, but none will respond. The slaves process the message and await the next request. To send a request in broadcast mode, the slave address must be set to 0.

10.4. Functions

Modbus protocol requires a function code, describing read write operations in the second byte of a message. In Table 1, a list of supported function codes and their uses are shown.

Table 1: Modbus Function Codes

| Function Code | Name | Use |
|---------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 03 (0x03 Hex) | Read Holding Registers | Read 1-2 16-bit register(s) |
| 06 (0x06 Hex) | Write Single Register | Write to 1 16-bit register |
| 16 (0x10 Hex) | Write Multiple Registers | Write 2 16-bit registers |

10.5. Data Format

10.5.1. Data Order

The order in which data is sent or received by the devices is a big-endian system, where the most significant 16-bit register should be sent first, and the following bytes should also go in order of most significant to least significant.

For example, the decimal value 123456789 (0x075BCD15 in hexadecimal), would be constructed and sent as a Modbus message as first 0x07, then 0x5B, 0xCD, and finally 0x15.

10.5.2. Floating Point Numbers

When reading or writing a register with a floating-point data format, as listed in modbus-command-info, the data should always be represented using IEEE-754 floating point notation, following the data order outlined in Data Order. For example, writing a value of 3.0 to a register should be sent in a Modbus message as 0x40, 0x40, 0x00, and 0x00.

10.6. Error Handling

Slave devices will respond with an error message if the request was not properly formatted for Magna-Power's Modbus implementation. The first byte of this error message will be a number above 0x80. The second byte will be the exception code, which identifies the type of error encountered. In Table 3, the possible exception codes that can be received are listed.

Table 3: Modbus Exception Codes

| Code | Name | Causes |
|------|----------------------|--|
| 0x01 | Illegal Function | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A currently unsupported function code has been sent. See Fu |
| 0x02 | Illegal Data Address | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The number of registers specified in the message does not n The register address and function code do not match any coi |
| 0x03 | Illegal Data Value | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The register count is outside the allowed count. Modify the re The register count and byte count conflict. The number of by |

Slave will not respond under certain addressing modes and when a request is malformed or corrupted. Non-response can happen when:

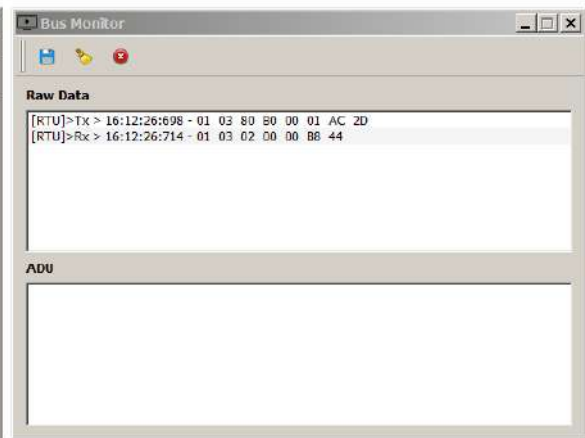
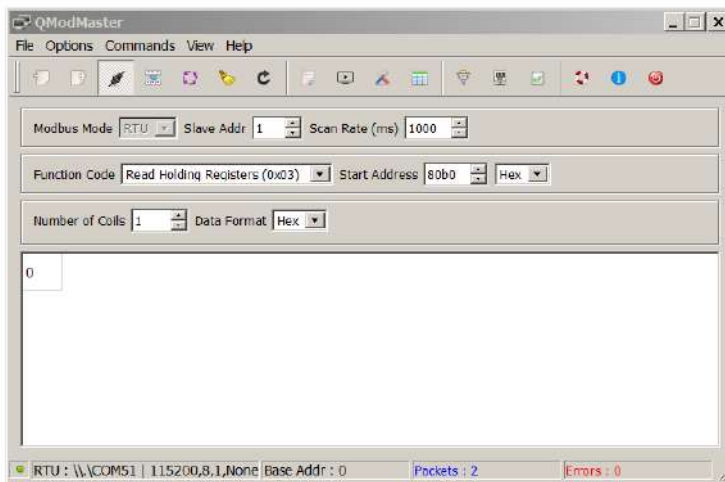
- The queue has overflowed. To prevent overflow, allow more time between Modbus requests.
- The message is corrupt. This happens when the message's calculated CRC does not match the sent CRC, which can occur because of electrical noise or malformed messages. Ensure your software forms messages properly, using the correct byte ordering, and is calculating CRC correctly. Modbus CRC is sent low-order byte followed by high-order byte and is calculated using CRC-16.
- There is a framing error. This can happen when the serial connection is incorrect or if there is electrical noise. Refer to modbus-serial on the proper serial configuration.
- The device is in broadcast addressing mode. By design slaves should not respond in broadcast since slaves' response messages would trample each other on the network. Verify that the slave address is set to 1 if a response is needed.

10.7. Communication Examples

The ALx Series must be explicitly configured to communicate using the Modbus protocol. The factory default is [SCPI Command Set](#), but can be changed from in the front panel menu *Communication Setting-Command Protocol* by selecting *Modbus*. Modbus messages are binary and traditional terminal programs (e.g., PuTTY, HyperTerminal) design for ASCII serial can not be used for communicating with ALx Series. For all the following examples, the open-source Modbus specific program, [QModMaster](#) was used to construct messages. Each example outlines a function, its arguments, the request, and the expected response. A screen capture showing field entries in QModMaster are also shown below.

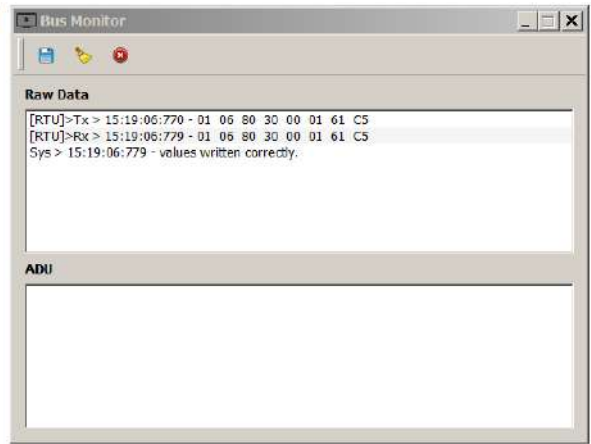
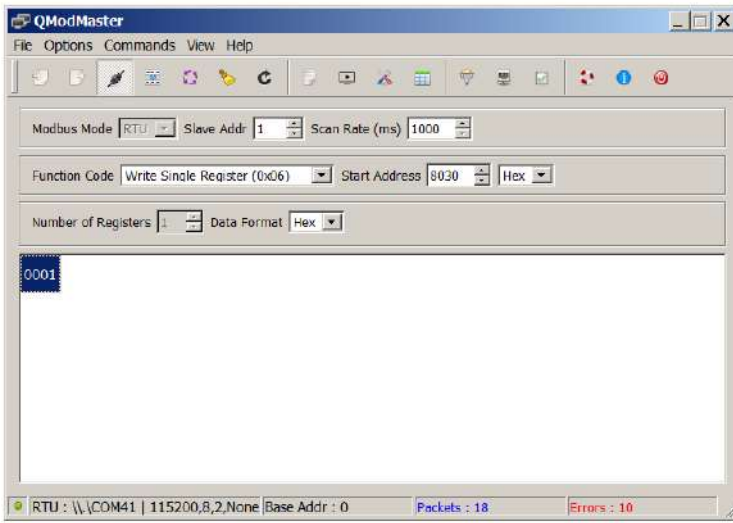
10.7.1. Example Request Source Setpoint

| Request | | Response | |
|---------------------|------|-------------------|------|
| Slave Address | 0x01 | Slave Address | 0x01 |
| Function Code | 0x03 | Function Code | 0x03 |
| Starting Address Hi | 0x80 | Byte Count | 0x02 |
| Starting Address Lo | 0xB0 | Register Value Hi | 0x00 |
| Register Count Hi | 0x00 | Register Value Lo | 0x00 |
| Register Count Lo | 0x01 | CRC Lo | 0xB8 |
| CRC Lo | 0xAC | CRC Hi | 0x44 |
| CRC Hi | 0x11 | | |



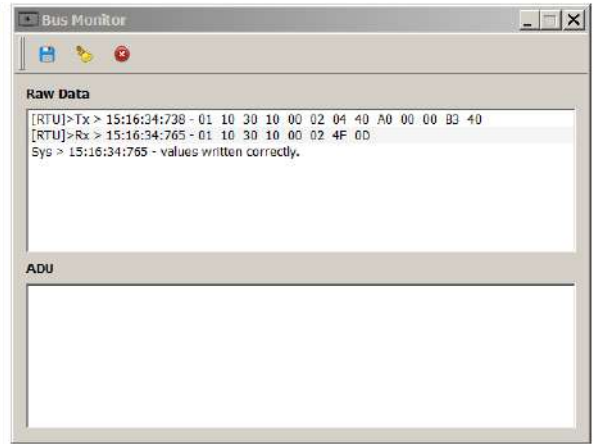
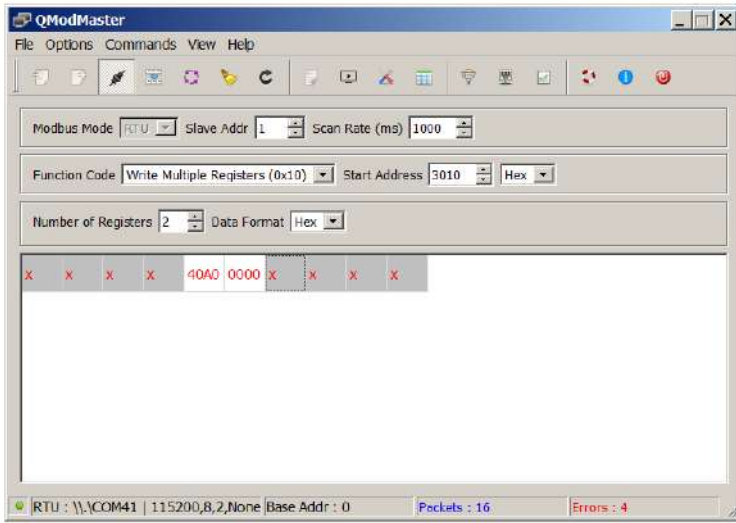
10.7.2. Example Set Front Panel Lock

| Request | | Response | |
|---------------------|------|---------------------|------|
| Slave Address | 0x01 | Slave Address | 0x01 |
| Function Code | 0x06 | Function Code | 0x06 |
| Register Address Hi | 0x80 | Register Address Hi | 0x80 |
| Register Address Lo | 0x30 | Register Address Lo | 0x30 |
| Register Value Hi | 0x00 | Register Value Hi | 0x00 |
| Register Value Lo | 0x01 | Register Value Lo | 0x01 |
| CRC Lo | 0x61 | CRC Lo | 0x61 |
| CRC Hi | 0xC5 | CRC Hi | 0xC5 |



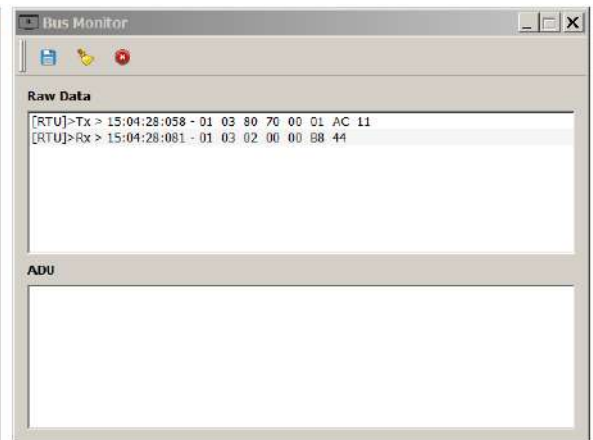
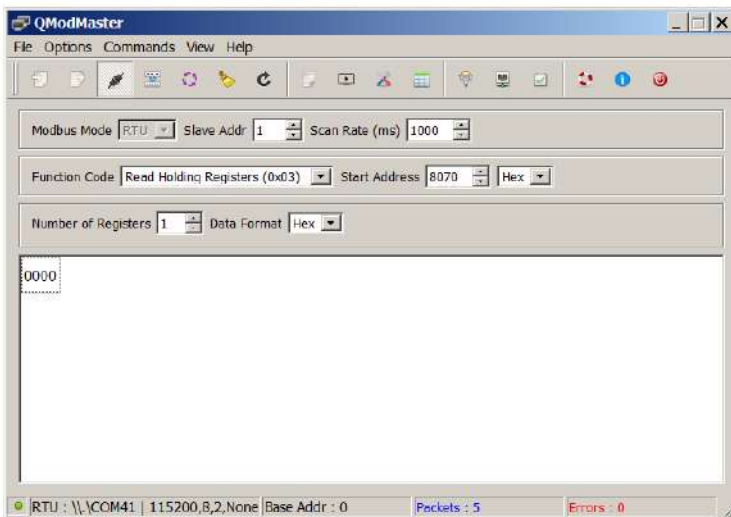
10.7.3. Example Write Current Setpoint to 5.00

| Request | | Response | |
|---------------------|------|---------------------|------|
| Slave Address | 0x01 | Slave Address | 0x01 |
| Function Code | 0x10 | Function Code | 0x10 |
| Starting Address Hi | 0x30 | Starting Address Hi | 0x30 |
| Starting Address Lo | 0x10 | Starting Address Lo | 0x10 |
| Register Count Hi | 0x00 | Register Count Hi | 0x00 |
| Register Count Lo | 0x02 | Register Count Lo | 0x02 |
| Byte Count | 0x04 | CRC Lo | 0x4F |
| Register Value Hi | 0x40 | CRC Hi | 0x0D |
| Register Value Lo | 0xA0 | | |
| Register Value Hi | 0x00 | | |
| Register Value Lo | 0x00 | | |
| CRC Lo | 0xB3 | | |
| CRC Hi | 0x40 | | |



10.7.4. Example Request Current Setpoint (5.00)

| Request | | Response | |
|---------------------|------|-------------------|------|
| Slave Address | 0x01 | Slave Address | 0x01 |
| Function Code | 0x03 | Function Code | 0x03 |
| Starting Address Hi | 0x30 | Byte Count | 0x04 |
| Starting Address Lo | 0x20 | Register Value Hi | 0x40 |
| Register Count Hi | 0x00 | Register Value Lo | 0x9F |
| Register Count Lo | 0x02 | Register Value Hi | 0xFF |
| CRC Lo | 0xCA | Register Value Lo | 0x60 |
| CRC Hi | 0xCE | CRC Lo | 0x9E |
| | | CRC Hi | 0x05 |



10.8. Register List

The Modbus protocol consists of requests to specific register addresses stored in memory. Each register contains stored value in memory that can be read from or written to. When a Modbus request is sent by a master to a register address, the listening slave device will respond in one of two ways. If the master's request was a read operation, the slave device will respond with the value stored at the register that was read. If the master's request was a write operation, the slave device will set the registers to the requested value and will respond with a confirmation that the registers were written to.

For instance, if the current set point needs to be read, the request message must specify the register address 0x3020, and the listening slave device will respond with its current set point value. Table 2 lists all the register addresses. For additional information about the different commands, see modbus-command-info.

| Modbus Command | Write Address | Read Address | Description |
|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------|------------------------------------|
| Operation Commands | | | |
| StatusQuesQ | N/A | 0x10B0 | Returns the value of the Question |
| StatusRegQ | N/A | 0x10D0 | Status Register |
| FaultClear | 0x10E0 | N/A | Reset soft faults |
| Input | 0x1110 | N/A | Enables or disables the DC input |
| Measurement Commands | | | |
| MeasCurrQ | N/A | 0x2010 | Measures and returns the average |
| MeasVoltQ | N/A | 0x2020 | Measures and returns the average |
| MeasPwrQ | N/A | 0x2030 | Measures and returns the instant |
| MeasResQ | N/A | 0x2040 | Measures and returns the instant |
| Setpoint Commands | | | |
| SetpointCurr | 0x3010 | 0x3020 | Sets the current set-point |
| SetpointVolt | 0x3030 | 0x3040 | Sets the voltage set-point |
| SetpointPwr | 0x3050 | 0x3060 | Sets the power set-point |
| SetpointRes | 0x3070 | 0x3080 | Sets the resistance set-point |
| Trip Commands | | | |
| OverTripCurr | 0x4010 | 0x4020 | Sets the over current trip (OCT) s |
| OverTripVolt | 0x4030 | 0x4040 | Sets the over voltage trip (OVT) s |

| Modbus Command | Write Address | Read Address | Description |
|------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| OverTripPwr | 0x4050 | 0x4060 | Sets the over power trip (OPT) se |
| UnderTripVolt | 0x4070 | 0x4080 | Sets the under voltage trip (UVT) |
| Slew Commands | | | |
| RiseRampCurr | 0x5010 | 0x5020 | Sets the rising slew rate for curre |
| RiseRampVolt | 0x5030 | 0x5040 | Sets the rising slew rate for volta |
| RiseRampPwr | 0x5050 | 0x5060 | Sets the rising slew rate for powe |
| RiseRampRes | 0x5070 | 0x5080 | Sets the rising slew rate for resist |
| FallRampCurr | 0x5090 | 0x50A0 | Sets the falling slew rate for curre |
| FallRampVolt | 0x50B0 | 0x50C0 | Sets the falling slew rate for volta |
| FallRampPwr | 0x50D0 | 0x50E0 | Sets the falling slew rate for powe |
| FallRampRes | 0x50F0 | 0x5100 | Sets the falling slew rate for resis |
| Control Commands | | | |
| PowerRange | 0x6010 | 0x6020 | Enables extended power range |
| ControlMode | 0x6030 | 0x6040 | Sets the control mode |
| Function Generator Commands | | | |
| FuncType | 0x7010 | 0x7020 | Sets the desired function for the i |
| FuncSinAmpl | 0x7030 | 0x7040 | Sets the amplitude for the sinuso |
| FuncSinOff | 0x7050 | 0x7060 | Sets the DC offset from zero for t |
| FuncSinPrd | 0x7070 | 0x7080 | Sets the period for the sinusoid fi |
| FuncSquLoLevel | 0x7090 | 0x70A0 | Sets the low level amplitude for tl |
| FuncSquHiLevel | 0x70B0 | 0x70C0 | Sets the high level amplitude for t |
| FuncSquLoPrd | 0x70D0 | 0x70E0 | Sets the period that the square fu |
| FuncSquHiPrd | 0x70F0 | 0x7100 | Sets the period that the square fu |
| FuncStepLoLevel | 0x7110 | 0x7120 | Sets the low level amplitude for tl |
| FuncStepHiLevel | 0x7130 | 0x7140 | Sets the high level amplitude for t |
| FuncRampLoLevel | 0x7150 | 0x7160 | Sets the low level amplitude for tl |
| FuncRampHiLevel | 0x7170 | 0x7180 | Sets the high level amplitude for t |
| FuncRampRisePrd | 0x7190 | 0x71A0 | Sets the period for the ramp func |
| FuncRampFallPrd | 0x71B0 | 0x71C0 | Sets the period for the ramp func |

| Modbus Command | Write Address | Read Address | Description |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------|--|
| Configuration Commands | | | |
| FactoryRestore | 0x8010 | N/A | Restores the factory EEPROM data |
| Lock | 0x8030 | 0x8020 | Locks and unlocks the product from the factory |
| SenseMode | 0x8060 | 0x8070 | Configures the sense location and range |
| SetSource | 0x80A0 | 0x80B0 | Sets the setpoint source |

The Magna-Power implementation for Modbus limits reading/writing to one value (one to two registers) at a time. These registers must be adjacent in memory. For example, for measuring both current and voltage, two separate requests from the master device are needed – one for current and one for voltage.

10.8.1. Operation Commands

10.8.2. StatusQuery

This command queries and returns the values of the Questionable Register. This read-only register holds the live (unlatched) questionable statuses of the MagnaLOAD electronic load. Issuing this query does not clear the register. The bit configuration of the Questionable Register is shown in the table below.

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| Address: | 0x10B0 |
| Function Code: | 0x03 |
| Access: | Read |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Integer |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |

Questionable Register

| Bit | Weight | Abbreviation | Description |
|-----|--------|--------------|-------------------------------------|
| 0 | 1 | OVP | over voltage protection, hard fault |
| 1 | 2 | OCT | over current trip, soft fault |
| 2 | 4 | OVT | over voltage trip, soft fault |

| Bit | Weight | Abbreviation | Description |
|-----|--------|--------------|---|
| 3 | 8 | OPT | over power trip, soft fault |
| 4 | 16 | OCP | over current protection, hard fault |
| 5 | 32 | OTP | over temperature protection, hard fault |
| 6 | 64 | RSL | remote sense loss, hard fault |
| 7 | 128 | CC | constant current regulation, regulation status |
| 8 | 256 | CV | constant voltage regulation, regulation status |
| 9 | 512 | CR | constant resistance regulation, regulation status |
| 10 | 1024 | CP | constant power regulation, regulation status |
| 11 | 2048 | SFLT | soft fault, the ord value of all soft faults |
| 12 | 4096 | HFLT | hard fault, the ord value of all hard faults |

10.8.3. StatusRegQ

This command queries the Status Register. This read-only register holds the live (unlatched) operation status of the MagnaLOAD electronic load. Issuing a query does not clear the register. The register location and definitions are subject to change after any firmware release to accommodate new features. The [Questionable Register](#) is a subset of the status register and does not change between firmware updates. The present bit assignments are shown in the table below.

Address: 0x10D0

Function Code: 0x03

Access: Read

Register Count: 2

Data Format: 32-bit Integer

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Status Register

| Bit | Name | Description |
|-----|----------|----------------------|
| 0 | standby | output is in standby |
| 1 | live | output is active |
| 2 | nonhalt1 | available |

| Bit | Name | Description |
|-----|-------------------|---|
| 3 | nonhalt2 | available |
| 4 | overCurrTrip | over current trip |
| 5 | overVoltTrip | over voltage trip |
| 6 | overPwrTrip | over power trip |
| 7 | remoteSenseLoss | remote sense voltage outside of acceptable bounds |
| 8 | underVoltTrip | under voltage trip |
| 9 | shutdown | target is creating a shutdown condition |
| 10 | linPwrLim | power across linear modules exceed ratings |
| 11 | resPwrLim | power across resistors exceed ratings |
| 12 | bootFailure | one or multiple target did not boot up |
| 13 | bootState | one or more targets are waiting to boot |
| 14 | phaseCurr | rated phase current exceeded |
| 15 | comm | communications are corrupted |
| 16 | overCurrProtect | terminal current exceeded product rating |
| 17 | overVoltProtect | terminal voltage exceeded product rating |
| 18 | tempRLin | linear module exceeded temperature |
| 19 | blownFuse | fuse is blown on the auxiliary power supply |
| 20 | interlock | interlock open |
| 21 | haltUserClear | available |
| 22 | maintenance | maintenance |
| 23 | tempDMod | diode modules exceeded temperature |
| 24 | invalidProdConfig | invalid product configuration |
| 25 | stackOverflow | exceeded firmware stack |
| 26 | lineFault | line fault analog/digital inputs |
| 27 | tempRMod | resistor module exceeded temperature |
| 28 | belowRatedMinVolt | below minimum voltage rating(28) |
| 29 | outOfRegulation | out of regulation, unexpected currents measured |
| 30 | targetUpgrade | mainctrl upgrading other targets |
| 31 | haltSelfClear | available |

| Bit | Name | Description |
|------------|------------------|--|
| 32 | constantCurr | regulation state |
| 33 | constantVolt | regulation state |
| 34 | constantRes | regulation state |
| 35 | constantPwr | regulation state |
| 36 | powerRange | operation range |
| 37 | remoteSense | sense terminal in use |
| 38 | lock | lock state |
| 39 | extAnlgCtrl | external control through analog inputs |
| 40 | overTemp | temperature fault linear and resistor combined |
| 41 | softTripShutdown | protection trip caused due to soft faults |
| 42 | hardTripShutdown | protection trip caused due to hard faults |
| 43 | notUsed1 | available |
| 44 | notUsed2 | available |
| 45 | notUsed3 | available |
| 46 | notUsed4 | available |
| 47 | notUsed5 | available |
| 48 | notUsed6 | available |
| 49 | notUsed7 | available |
| 50 | notUsed8 | available |
| 51 | notUsed9 | available |
| 52 | notUsed10 | available |
| 53 | notUsed11 | available |
| 54 | notUsed12 | available |
| 55 | notUsed13 | available |
| 56 | notUsed14 | available |
| 57 | notUsed15 | available |
| 58 | notUsed16 | available |
| 59 | notUsed17 | available |
| 60 | notUsed18 | available |

| Bit | Name | Description |
|-----|-----------|-------------|
| 61 | notUsed19 | available |
| 62 | notUsed20 | available |
| 63 | notUsed21 | available |

10.8.4. FaultClear

This command removes the latch that disables the input when a fault condition is detected, as further detailed in [Clear Command](#) documentation. All conditions that generate the fault must be resolved before the latch can be cleared. Once the fault has been cleared, the input can be re-enabled with the modbus-input-start command.

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| Address: | 0x10E0 |
| Function Code: | 0x06 |
| Access: | Write |
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Data Format: | Boolean |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |

10.8.5. Input

This command enables or disables the MagnaLOAD electronic load input. The state of a disabled input is a high impedance condition.

| | |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Address: | 0x1110 |
| Function Code: | 0x06 |
| Access: | Write |
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Parameters: | 0 (OFF) 1 (ON) |
| Data Format: | Boolean |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |

10.8.6. Measurement Commands

10.8.7. MeasCurrQ

This query commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average current through the DC terminals.

Address: 0x2010
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

10.8.8. MeasVoltQ

This query commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average voltage at the DC terminals. If the remote sense function is used and engaged, this command returns the voltage measured at the sense terminals.

Address: 0x2020
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

10.8.9. MeasPwrQ

This query commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average power at the DC terminals.

Address: 0x2030
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

10.8.10. MeasResQ

This query commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average power at the DC terminals.

Address: 0x2040
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

10.8.11. Setpoint Commands

10.8.12. SetpointCurr

This command programs the current set-point that the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant current mode.

Address: 0x3010
Function Code: 0x10
Access: Write
Register Count: 2
Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Query Address: 0x3020
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

10.8.13. SetpointVolt

This command programs the voltage set-point, in volts, which the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant voltage mode.

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Address: | 0x3030 |
| Function Code: | 0x10 |
| Access: | Write |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Parameters: | 0 through MAX MINimum MAXimum |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |
| Query Address: | 0x3040 |
| Function Code: | 0x03 |
| Access: | Read |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |

10.8.14. SetpointPwr

This command programs the power set-point, in watts, which the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant power mode.

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Address: | 0x3050 |
| Function Code: | 0x10 |
| Access: | Write |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Parameters: | 0 through MAX MINimum MAXimum |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |
| Query Address: | 0x3060 |

Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

10.8.15. SetpointRes

This command programs the resistance set-point, in ohms, which the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant resistance mode.

Address: 0x3070
Function Code: 0x10
Access: Write
Register Count: 2
Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Query Address: 0x3080
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

10.8.16. Trip Commands

10.8.17. OverTripCurr

This command programs the over current trip (OCT) set-point. If the input current exceeds the over current trip set-point for multiple samples, the input is disconnected and an OCT fault is indicated.

Address: 0x4010

Function Code: 0x10
Access: Write
Register Count: 2
Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Query Address: 0x4020
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

10.8.18. OverTripVolt

This command programs the over voltage trip (OVT) set-point. If the input voltage exceeds the over voltage trip set-point for multiple samples, the input is disconnected and an OVT fault is indicated.

Address: 0x4030
Function Code: 0x10
Access: Write
Register Count: 2
Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Query Address: 0x4040
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

10.8.19. OverTripPwr

This command programs the over power trip (OPT) set-point. If the input power exceeds the over power trip set-point for multiple sample, the input is disconnected and an OPT fault is indicated.

Address: 0x4050

Function Code: 0x10

Access: Write

Register Count: 2

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Query Address: 0x4060

Function Code: 0x03

Access: Read

Register Count: 2

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

10.8.20. UnderTripVolt

This command programs the under voltage trip (UVT) set-point. If the input voltage falls below the under voltage trip set-point for multiple samples, the input is disconnected and an UVT fault is indicated.

Address: 0x4070

Function Code: 0x10

Access: Write

Register Count: 2

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Query Address: 0x4080
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

10.8.21. Slew Commands

10.8.22. RiseRampCurr

This command sets the current slew rate for increasing current transitions while in constant current regulation. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Address: 0x5010
Function Code: 0x10
Access: Write
Register Count: 2
Parameters: 1 to MAXimum [A/ms] | MAXimum | MINimum
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Query Address: 0x5020
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

10.8.23. RiseRampVolt

This command sets the voltage slew rate for increasing voltage transitions while in constant voltage regulation. The units for voltage slew rate are volts per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Address: | 0x5030 |
| Function Code: | 0x10 |
| Access: | Write |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Parameters: | 1 to MAXimum [V/ms] MAXimum MINimum |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |
| Query Address: | 0x5040 |
| Function Code: | 0x03 |
| Access: | Read |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |

10.8.24. RiseRampPwr

This command sets the power slew rate for increasing power transitions while in constant power regulation. The units for power slew rate are watts per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Address: | 0x5050 |
| Function Code: | 0x10 |
| Access: | Write |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Parameters: | 1 to MAXimum [W/ms] MAXimum MINimum |

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Query Address: 0x5060
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

10.8.25. RiseRampRes

This command sets the resistance slew rate for increasing resistance transitions while in constant resistance regulation. The units for resistance slew rate are ohms per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Address: 0x5070
Function Code: 0x10
Access: Write
Register Count: 2
Parameters: 1 to MAXimum [?/ms] | MAXimum | MINimum
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Query Address: 0x5080
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

10.8.26. FallRampCurr

This command sets the current slew rate for decreasing current transitions while in constant current regulation. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Address: | 0x5090 |
| Function Code: | 0x10 |
| Access: | Write |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Parameters: | 1 to MAXimum [A/ms] MAXimum MINimum |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |
| Query Address: | 0x50A0 |
| Function Code: | 0x03 |
| Access: | Read |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |

10.8.27. FallRampVolt

This command sets the voltage slew rate for decreasing voltage transitions while in constant voltage regulation. The units for voltage slew rate are volts per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Address: | 0x50B0 |
| Function Code: | 0x10 |
| Access: | Write |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Parameters: | 1 to MAXimum [V/ms] MAXimum MINimum |

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Query Address: 0x50C0
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

10.8.28. FallRampPwr

This command sets the power slew rate for decreasing power transitions while in constant power regulation. The units for power slew rate are watts per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Address: 0x50D0
Function Code: 0x10
Access: Write
Register Count: 2
Parameters: 1 to MAXimum [W/ms] | MAXimum | MINimum
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Query Address: 0x50E0
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

10.8.29. FallRampRes

This command sets the resistance slew rate for decreasing resistance transitions while in constant resistance regulation. The units for resistance slew rate are ohms per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Address: | 0x50F0 |
| Function Code: | 0x10 |
| Access: | Write |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Parameters: | 1 to MAXimum [?/ms] MAXimum MINimum |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |
| Query Address: | 0x5100 |
| Function Code: | 0x03 |
| Access: | Read |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |

10.8.30. Control Commands

10.8.31. PowerRange

This command activates a programmable series resistance and is available only in ARx and WRx models. When enabled, power dissipation is shared across series resistors and linear devices allowing the product to reach higher power levels.

| | |
|-----------------|--------|
| Address: | 0x6010 |
| Function Code: | 0x06 |
| Access: | Write |
| Register Count: | 1 |

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| Parameters: | 0 (low power) 1 (high power) |
| Data Format: | Boolean |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |
| Query Address: | 0x6020 |
| Function Code: | 0x03 |
| Access: | Read |
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Data Format: | 16-bit Integer |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |

10.8.32. ControlMode

This command configures the MagnaLOAD electronic load's control mode. [Control Modes](#) provides more information about the various options.

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Address: | 0x6030 |
| Function Code: | 0x06 |
| Access: | Write |
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Parameters: | 1 (CURRENT) 2 (VOLTAGE) 3 (RESISTANCE) 4 (POWER) 5 (RHEOSTAT) 6 (SHUNTREG) |
| Data Format: | 16-bit Integer |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |
| Query Address: | 0x6040 |
| Function Code: | 0x03 |
| Access: | Read |
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Data Format: | 16-bit Integer |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |

10.8.33. Function Generator Commands

10.8.34. FuncType

This command selects the desired function for the integrated function generator, which is active when the product's [set point source](#) is set to function generator.

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Address: | 0x7010 |
| Function Code: | 0x06 |
| Access: | Write |
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Parameters: | 0 (Sinusoid) 1 (Square) 2 (Step) 3 (Ramp) |
| Data Format: | 16-bit Integer |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |
| Query Address: | 0x7020 |
| Function Code: | 0x03 |
| Access: | Read |
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Data Format: | 16-bit Integer |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |

10.8.35. FuncSinAmpl

This command sets the amplitude (Adc) for the sinusoid function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 0 (sinusoid).

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Address: | 0x7030 |
| Function Code: | 0x10 |
| Access: | Write |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Parameters: | 0 through MAX MINimum MAXimum |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |
| Query Address: | 0x7040 |
| Function Code: | 0x03 |

Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

10.8.36. FuncSinOff

This command sets the DC offset from zero (Adc) for the sinusoid function midline when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 0 (sinusoid).

Address: 0x7050
Function Code: 0x10
Access: Write
Register Count: 2
Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Query Address: 0x7060
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

10.8.37. FuncSinPrd

This command sets the period (milliseconds) for the sinusoid function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 0 (sinusoid). The sinusoid's period is the length of one full cycle.

Address: 0x7070
Function Code: 0x10
Access: Write

Register Count: 2

Parameters: 2 through MAX | MINimum (2 ms) | MAXimum (65,000 ms)

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Query Address: 0x7080

Function Code: 0x03

Access: Read

Register Count: 2

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

10.8.38. FuncSquLoLevel

This command sets the low level amplitude for the square function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 1 (square).

Address: 0x7090

Function Code: 0x10

Access: Write

Register Count: 2

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Query Address: 0x70A0

Function Code: 0x03

Access: Read

Register Count: 2

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

10.8.39. FuncSquHiLevel

This command sets the high level amplitude for the square function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 1 (square).

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Address: | 0x70B0 |
| Function Code: | 0x10 |
| Access: | Write |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Parameters: | 0 through MAX MINimum MAXimum |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |
| Query Address: | 0x70C0 |
| Function Code: | 0x03 |
| Access: | Read |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |

10.8.40. FuncSquLoPrd

This command sets the period/duration (milliseconds) that the square function remains at the low level amplitude when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 1 (square).

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Address: | 0x70D0 |
| Function Code: | 0x10 |
| Access: | Write |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Parameters: | 2 through MAX MINimum (2 ms) MAXimum (65,000 ms) |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |
| Query Address: | 0x70E0 |

Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

10.8.41. FuncSquHiPrd

This command sets the period/duration (milliseconds) that the square function remains at the low level amplitude when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 1 (square).

Address: 0x70F0
Function Code: 0x10
Access: Write
Register Count: 2
Parameters: 2 through MAX | MINimum (2 ms) | MAXimum (65,000 ms)
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Query Address: 0x7100
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

10.8.42. FuncStepLoLevel

This command sets the low level amplitude for the step function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 2 (step).

Address: 0x7110
Function Code: 0x10

Access: Write

Register Count: 2

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Query Address: 0x7120

Function Code: 0x03

Access: Read

Register Count: 2

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

10.8.43. FuncStepHiLevel

This command sets the high level amplitude for the step function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 2 (step).

Address: 0x7130

Function Code: 0x10

Access: Write

Register Count: 2

Parameters: 0 through MAX | MINimum | MAXimum

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Query Address: 0x7140

Function Code: 0x03

Access: Read

Register Count: 2

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

10.8.44. FuncRampLoLevel

This command sets the low level amplitude for the ramp function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 3 (ramp).

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Address: | 0x7150 |
| Function Code: | 0x10 |
| Access: | Write |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Parameters: | 0 through MAX MINimum MAXimum |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |
| Query Address: | 0x7160 |
| Function Code: | 0x03 |
| Access: | Read |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |

10.8.45. FuncRampHiLevel

This command sets the high level amplitude for the ramp function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 3 (ramp).

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Address: | 0x7170 |
| Function Code: | 0x10 |
| Access: | Write |
| Register Count: | 2 |
| Parameters: | 0 through MAX MINimum MAXimum |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |
| Query Address: | 0x7180 |
| Function Code: | 0x03 |

Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

10.8.46. FuncRampRisePrd

This command sets the period/duration (milliseconds) for the ramp function to transition from the low level amplitude to the high level amplitude when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 3 (ramp).

Address: 0x7190
Function Code: 0x10
Access: Write
Register Count: 2
Parameters: 2 through MAX | MINimum (2 ms) | MAXimum (65,000 ms)
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Query Address: 0x71A0
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 2
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

10.8.47. FuncRampFallPrd

This command sets the period/duration (milliseconds) for the ramp function to transition from the high level amplitude to the low level amplitude when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 3 (ramp).

Address: 0x71B0
Function Code: 0x10
Access: Write

Register Count: 2

Parameters: 2 through MAX | MINimum (2 ms) | MAXimum (65,000 ms)

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Query Address: 0x71C0

Function Code: 0x03

Access: Read

Register Count: 2

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

10.8.48. Configuration Commands

10.8.49. FactoryRestore

This command performs a factory restore to default EPROM values. Both Soft Restore and Hard Restore are available through command parameters.

Address: 0x8010

Function Code: 0x06

Access: Write

Register Count: 1

Parameters: 1 (Soft Restore) | 2 (Hard Restore)

Data Format: 16-bit Integer

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

10.8.50. Lock

This command configures the MagnaLOAD electronic load's lock state. While locked, the stop button is the only functional button on the front panel. See protect-lock for more details on how lock works and how behaves relative to other locking inputs (front panel and digital input).

Address: 0x8030

Function Code: 0x06

Access: Write
Register Count: 1
Parameters: 0 (OFF) | 1 (ON)
Data Format: Boolean
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Query Address: 0x8020
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 16-bit Integer
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

10.8.51. SenseMode

This command configures where the MagnaLOAD electronic load senses voltage. The sense location also effects how power and resistance are calculated. Local sensing monitors the directly across the output terminals. Remote sensing, as described in remote-sense, measures across the terminal JS2. This external connection can be used to improve regulation at the point of load, as is needed for example, in compensating voltage drops caused by wire resistance.

Address: 0x8060
Function Code: 0x06
Access: Write
Register Count: 1
Parameters: 0 (local) | 1 (remote)
Data Format: 16-bit Integer
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Query Address: 0x8070
Function Code: 0x03
Access: Read
Register Count: 1

Data Format: 16-bit Integer

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

10.8.52. SetSource

The command selects and routes different set points sources to the digital controller. Operation of this feature is described in [Set Point Source](#). By default, the source is set to *local* (value 0), where set points originating from the front panel or communication interfaces are routed to the ALx Series digital control. When the source is set to *function generator* (value 1), set points are generated internally, by a periodic function generator block. When *external analog input* (value 3) is set, the voltage(s) applied to the rear connector are converted into set points.

Address: 0x80A0

Function Code: 0x06

Access: Write

Register Count: 1

Parameters: 0 (local) | 1 (function generator) | 2 (external analog input)

Data Format: 16-bit Integer

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Query Address: 0x80B0

Function Code: 0x03

Access: Read

Register Count: 1

Data Format: 16-bit Integer

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11. EtherNet/IP Command Set

11.1. EtherNet/IP Overview

EtherNet/IP is an Ethernet-based communication protocol designed for industrial network communication. EtherNet/IP uses Common Industrial Protocol (CIP) over an Ethernet connection, typically through an RJ-45 connector. EtherNet/IP is widely used, especially in industrial settings, due to its large and fast data exchanges and community of support from [Open DeviceNet Vendors Association \(ODVA\)](#). The following terminology will be used throughout this document:

Device

A device is any product that supports the EtherNet/IP protocol.

Connection

A connection is a logic link between two devices to send and receive data.

Originator

An originator (O) is a master device, or a controlling device, that initiates a request or a connection. PLCs or external software can be used as an EtherNet/IP originator.

Target

A target (T) is a device that receives a request or connection from the master. Multiple targets can be connected to one originator on a network. Magna-Power products, that support EtherNet/IP, are target devices.

TCP

TCP is a connected communication protocol that has error handling built-in. TCP requires that the originator and target are both connected to each other and will exchange data in a multiple handshake format.

UDP

UDP is a communication protocol that does not require a connection. UDP messages are rapidly sent over the network to a specific destination without error handling.

In the EtherNet/IP protocol there are two main types of communication: explicit messaging and implicit messaging. Each type of communication has supports different connections, traffic paths, and message formats, as shown in the chart below.

Table 11.1 Traffic classes

| Messaging | Form of messaging | Protocol | Connection |
|-----------|-----------------------|----------|------------|
| Explicit | Unconnected/Connected | TCP/IP | Class 3 |
| Implicit | Connected | UPD/IP | Class 1 |

For a more complete overview of EtherNet/IP and underlining standards, visit ODVA.org.

11.1.1. Explicit Messaging

Explicit messaging is used for non-realtime data exchange using request/response unicast messages handled with the TCP/IP protocol. Explicit messages are typical used for when the originator device sends a request to read/write a value from/to a specific location on the target device. For example, a originator could send an explicit message to set the device lock status. Requests from an originator always result in a target response to indicate transaction success or failure.

The following parameters are needed in constructing an explicit message:

Service Code/Name

The service code or the service name are required for requesting the action for the target device. For Magna-Power devices supporting EtherNet/IP, the service codes that are supported are *Get Attribute Single* (14 or 0x0E) and *Set Attribute Single* (16 or 0x10).

Class ID

The class ID specifies the class object that data is being sent to or read from. For Magna-Power devices supporting EtherNet/IP, the class ID should be set to 162 (0xA2).

Instance ID

The instance ID specifies the instance number of the above class object that is referenced in the request. All device supported instances can be found in the section [Instances Listing](#).

Attribute ID

The attribute ID specifies the attribute of the above instance referenced in the request. For Magna-Power devices, the attributes: *Name* (1), *Access* (4), and *Value* (5) are available. In most cases, the attribute ID should be set to 5.

11.1.2. Class 3 Connection

Class 3 connections are made only for explicit messages using TCP/IP. The connection parameters along with support communications paths are listed below. Detailed examples for explicit messages are provided in [Explicit Messaging Example](#).

Table 11.2 Class 3 connection parameters

| Parameter | Value |
|---|--------------------|
| Number of Simultaneous Connections | 6 |
| Supported RPI (Requested Packet Interval) | 100 ms to 10000 ms |
| T →O Connection Types | Point-to-Point |
| O →T Connection Types | Point-to-Point |
| Supported Trigger Types | Application |
| Max. Supported Connection Size | 1526 bytes |
| Supported Priorities | Low, High |

11.1.3. Implicit Messaging

Implicit messaging is used for time-critical data exchange between a originator and uses unicast or multicast messages handled with the UDP/IP protocol. The typical use case is when the originator needs to set or query values on a target(s) in a controlled manner (cyclic and change-of-state).

11.1.4. Class 1 Connection

Implicit messages must define a traffic pathways up front as it does not require responses from targets, which greatly reduces traffic. Connection paths are defined as either *inputs* or *outputs* with respect to the network. Inputs hold data received *from* the network, while outputs are data sent *to* the network. Only a subset of instances in [Instances Listing](#) can be include as inputs/outputs, which are listed below.

Table 11.3 Supported implicit instances

| Name | Instance | Service |
|------------------------------|----------|---------|
| StatusRegQ | 13 | Get |
| MeasCurrQ | 257 | Get |
| MeasVoltQ | 258 | Get |
| SetpointCurr | 513 | Set |
| SetpointVolt | 515 | Set |

Below lists the connection parameters for a Class 1 connection. A detailed example of an implicit messages sent cyclically, is provided in [Implicit Messaging Example](#).

Table 11.4 Class 1 connection parameters

| Parameter | Value |
|---|---|
| Number of Simultaneous Connections | 4 |
| Supported RPI (Requested Packet Interval) | 1 ms to 3200ms |
| T→O Connection Types | Point-to-point, Multicast, Null |
| O→T Connection Types | Point-to-point, Null |
| Supported Trigger Types | Cyclic, Change-of-State |
| Max. Supported Input/Output Connection Size | 1448 bytes (Large Forward Open) 509 bytes (Forward Open) |
| Supported Priorities | Low, High, Scheduled, Urgent |

The [Electronic Data Sheet](#) file contains multiple connection types, with *Exclusive-Owner* being the most flexible, since it offers bi-directional traffic. With *Input Only* connections, originator (s) can only hold data and never sends data out onto the network. *Heartbeat* connections, send small messages, over a fixed interval, in a single direction (either O →T or T →O). All the supported connection types are outlined below.

Exclusive-Owner connection

This type of connection controls the outputs and does not depend on other connections.

Max. number of Exclusive-Owner connections: 1 Connection path O →T: Assembly Object, instance 0x96 (Default) Connection path T →O: Assembly Object, instance 0x64 (Default)

Input-Only connection

This type of connection is used to read data from the target without controlling the outputs. It does not depend on other connections.

Max. number of Input-Only connections: Up to 4 (shared with Exclusive-Owner and Input-Only connections) Connection point O →T: Assembly Object, instance 0x03 (Default) Connection point T →O: Assembly Object, instance 0x64 (Default) Please note that if an Exclusive-Owner connection has been opened towards the module and times out, the Input-Only connection times out as well. If the Exclusive-Owner connection is properly closed, the Input-Only connection remains unaffected.

Input-Only Extended connection

This connection's functionality is the same as the standard Input-Only connection. However, when this connection times out it does not affect the state of the application.

Connection point O →T: Assembly Object, instance 0x06 (Default) Connection point T →O: Assembly Object, instance 0x64 (Default)

Listen-Only connection

This type of connection requires another connection in order to exist. If that connection (Exclusive-Owner or Input-Only) is closed, the Listen-Only connection will be closed as well.

Max. no. of Input-Only connections: Up to 4 (Shared with Exclusive-Owner and Input-Only connections) Connection point O →T: Assembly Object, instance 0x04 (Default) Connection point T →O: Assembly Object, instance 0x64 (Default)

Listen-Only Extended connection

This connection's functionality is the same as the standard Input-Only connection. However, when this connection times out it does not affect application state.

Connection point O →T: Assembly Object, instance 0x07 (Default) Connection point T →O: Assembly Object, instance 0x64 (Default)

11.1.5. Electronic Data Sheet

When developing or using Ethernet/IP software to talk to a Magna-Power Electronics Anybus module, a electronic data sheet (EDS) should be used for device discovery and network setup. The is EDS a custom file created by the device manufacturer that describes communication parameters, available services, and device identification. The file may be requested as part of the setup process in PLCs or installing third-part software. The EDS can be download below and was use for [Communication Examples](#).

[📄 Magna-Power Electronics Electronic Data Sheet](#)

11.1.6. Data Formatting

Byte Ordering EtherNet/IP must exchange properly formatted messages such that the targets can read requests. If the wrong number types or byte orderings are used, targets can misinterpretation data and respond unexpectantly. For example, the data entry for [Hilschner EtherNet/IP Tool](#). For 16-bit words, bytes are ordered such that the significant bytes precedes the lower bytes in memory, which is standard little-endian. For 32-bit values, words are also ordered as little-endian, where the most significant word, precedes the least significant word. For a 32-bit value, *0x12345678*, it should be sent as *0x78563412*. Data is received following the same ordering. How software tools format data varies, and should be explored fully before testing.

Floating Point Data in transfered as a binary numbers (as opposed ASCII in [SCPI Command Set](#)) and needs a predetermined format for representing decimal numbers. For this, the widely adopted standard, [IEEE-754](#), is used for storing floating point as a 32-bit values. For example,

decimal number 3.14 is stored as *0x4048F5C3* in floating point. The number must adhere to the byte ordering conventions described previously. The final value of 3.14 would be sent as *0xC3F54840*. Floating point numbers are received in the same format as they are sent.

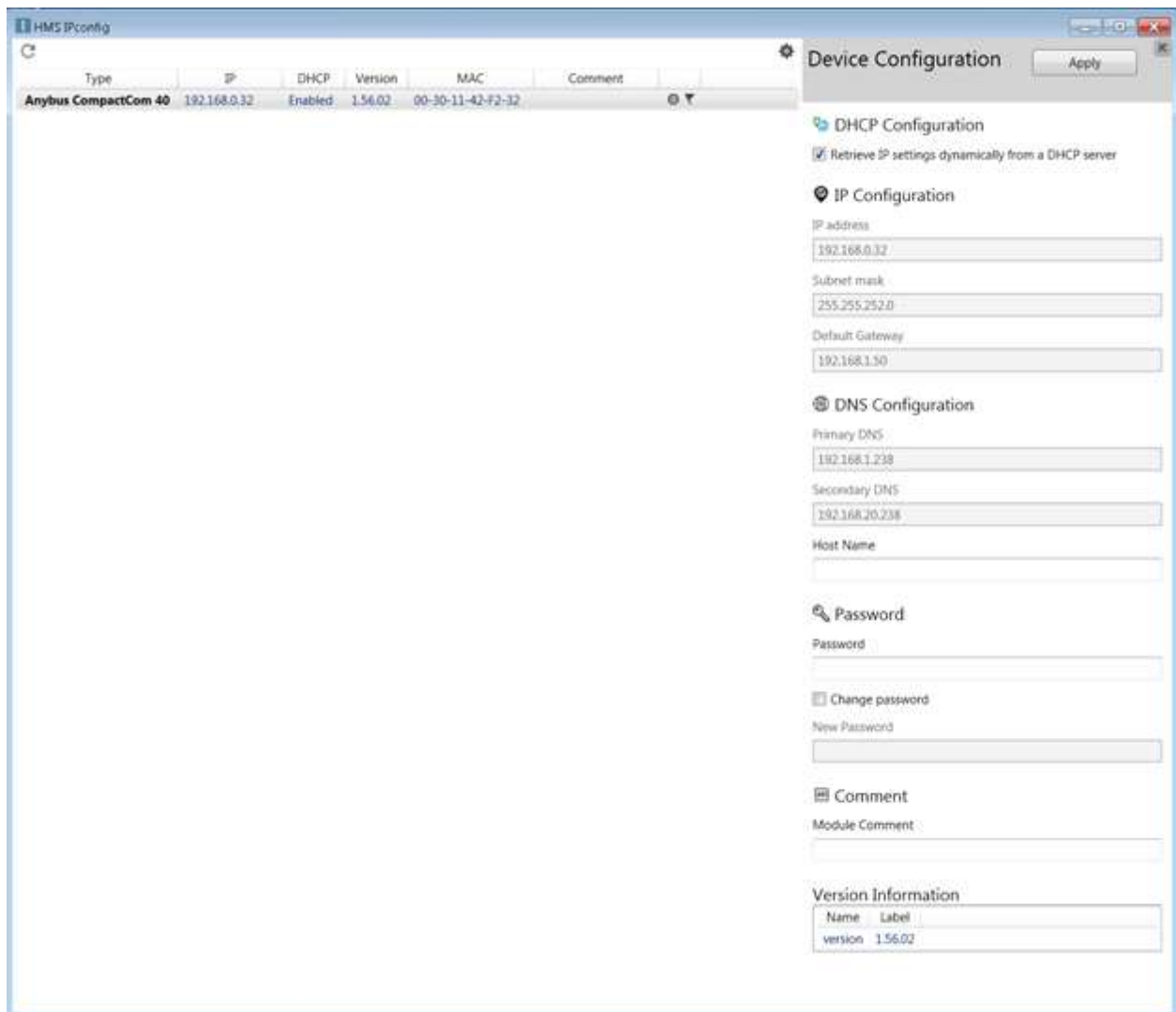
11.2. Diagnostic and Simulation Tools

In this section, tools are discussed for simulating EtherNet/IP messages and connection classes on the network. Third-party software is recommended to act as the originator for these messages and is used extensively in later examples.

11.2.1. HMS IPConfig

Magna-Power devices contain custom hardware that interfaces with an Anybus module. The Anybus manufacturer (HMS) provides a configuration tool called *HMS IPconfig* that is used exclusively to support their modules. This tool can help physically locate devices by blinking device LEDs, directly modify IP settings, upgrade module firmware. The software is available on HMS website listed in the below.

[↓ HMS IPConfig](#)



11.2.2. EtherNet/IP Web Page

Each Magna-Power EtherNet/IP device hosts a web page for easily accessing local network settings, device parameters, and operation status. The user interface is organized into the side menus listed below.

Overview

Shows basic information about the EtherNet/IP module, notably the device uptime.

Parameters

Shows the available parameters that can be read or written to. Parameters with a button next to them indicates they are writable from the web interface. Allow time for the parameters to load, as several read and write requests are needed each time new parameters are loaded.

Status

Displays the IP settings, Ethernet status, packets sent, and errors encountered. This page is largely for diagnostic purposes.

Configuration

This page allows the IP configuration to be modified and saved to the device.

SMTP

Not usable menu, feature incompatible with EtherNet/IP implementation.

The web page provides a secondary means of communicating with the device by simplify typing the device's IP address in a web browser, as shown.

| MODULE | Current IP Settings | |
|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Overview | DHCP: | Enabled |
| Parameters | IP Address: | 192.168.0.103 |
| NETWORK | Subnet Mask: | 255.255.252.0 |
| Status | Gateway Address: | 192.168.1.50 |
| Configuration | Host Name: | |
| SERVICES | Domain name: | magna-power.local |
| SMTP | DNS Server #1: | 192.168.1.238 |
| | DNS Server #2: | 192.168.20.238 |

| Current Ethernet Status | |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| MAC Address: | 00:30:11:3A:6E:FD |
| Port 1: | 100 FDX |
| Port 2: | No Link |

▼ **Interface Counters**

| | Port 1 | Port 2 | Internal | <input type="button" value="Refresh"/> |
|---------------------|---------|--------|----------|--|
| In Octets: | 1105943 | 0 | 548679 | |
| In Ucast Packets: | 191 | 0 | 189 | |
| In NUCast Packets: | 8607 | 0 | 5390 | |
| In Discards: | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| In Errors: | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| In Unknown Protos: | 0 | 0 | 194 | |
| Out Octets: | 207575 | 0 | 208056 | |
| Out Ucast Packets: | 217 | 0 | 220 | |
| Out NUCast Packets: | 14 | 0 | 14 | |
| Out Discards: | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Out Errors: | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

▼ **Media Counters**

Fig. 11.2 EtherNet/IP web interface

There are multiple way the IP address can be found. Navigating in the front panel menu system, *Communication Settings*. Or, using a router to find the assigned IP address by MAC address. Or, installing Ethernet/IP software that support auto-detection, like [HMS IPConfig](#) or [Hilschner EtherNet/IP Tool](#), as shown. Tool is also simulates messages as used in [Communication Examples](#).

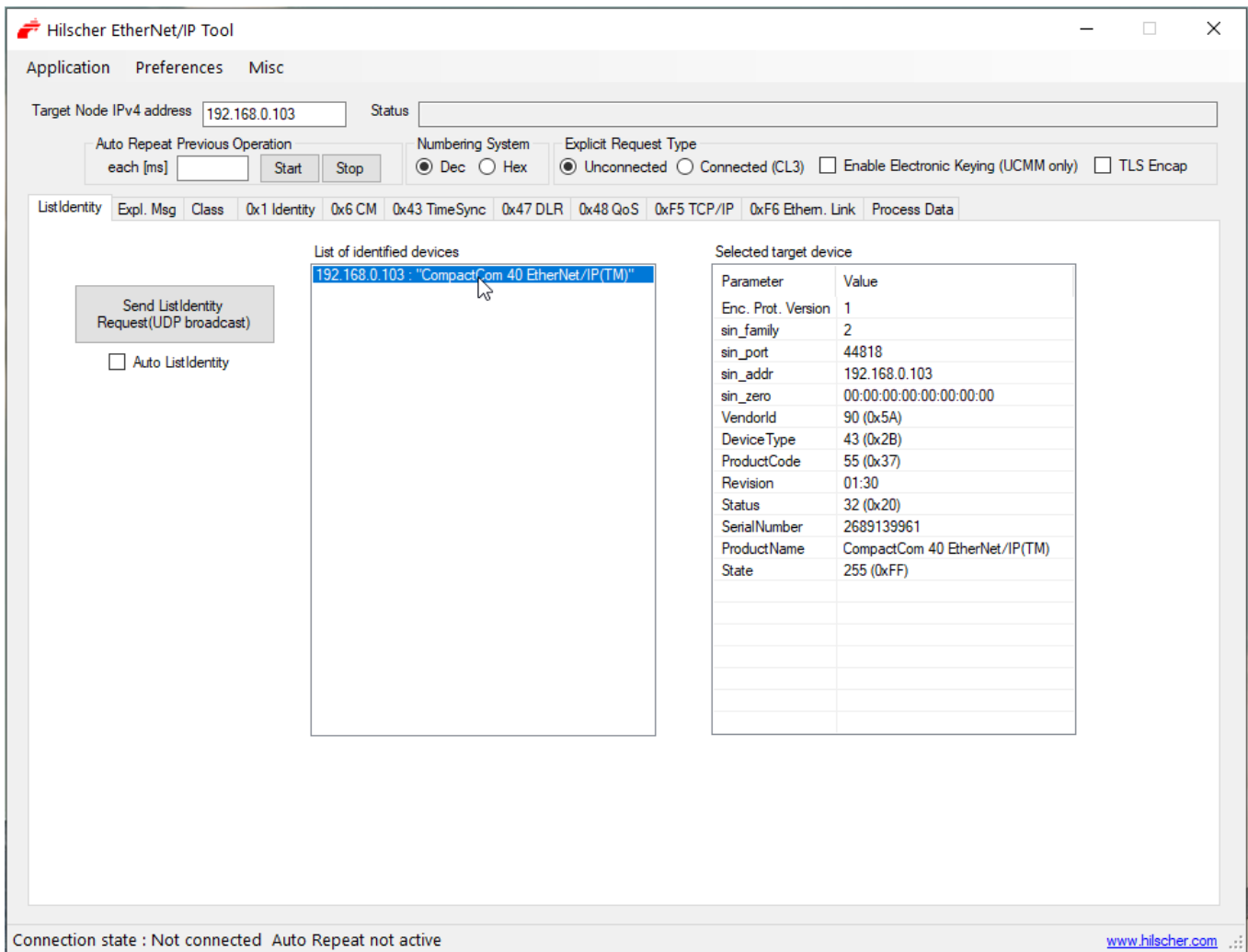


Fig. 11.3 Discovery using Hilschner EtherNet/IP Tool

11.2.3. Device LED Codes

In rear of the Magna-Power product is a communications interface with two exposed bi-color LEDs. The LED labeled X indicates network status and one labeled Y indicates module status, as shown in [LED indicators on rear interface](#). Status is indicated using colors and blink patterns, as shown in the tables below.

Table 11.5 Network Status LED

| LED State | Description |
|-----------------|--|
| Off | No power or no IP address |
| Green | Online, one or more connections established (CIP Class 1 or 3) |
| Green, Flashing | Online, no connection established |
| Red | Duplicate IP address, FATAL error |
| Red, Flashing | One or more connections timed out (CIP Class 1 or 3) |

| LED State | Description |
|-----------------|---|
| Off | No power |
| Green | Controlled by a Originator in Run state and, if CIP Sync is enabled, time is synchronize |
| Green, Flashing | Not configured, Originator in Idle state, or if CIP Sync is enabled, time is synchronized |
| Red | Major fault, (EXCEPTION-state, FATAL error, etc.) |
| Red, Flashing | Recoverable fault(s). Module is configured, but stored parameters differ from currentl |

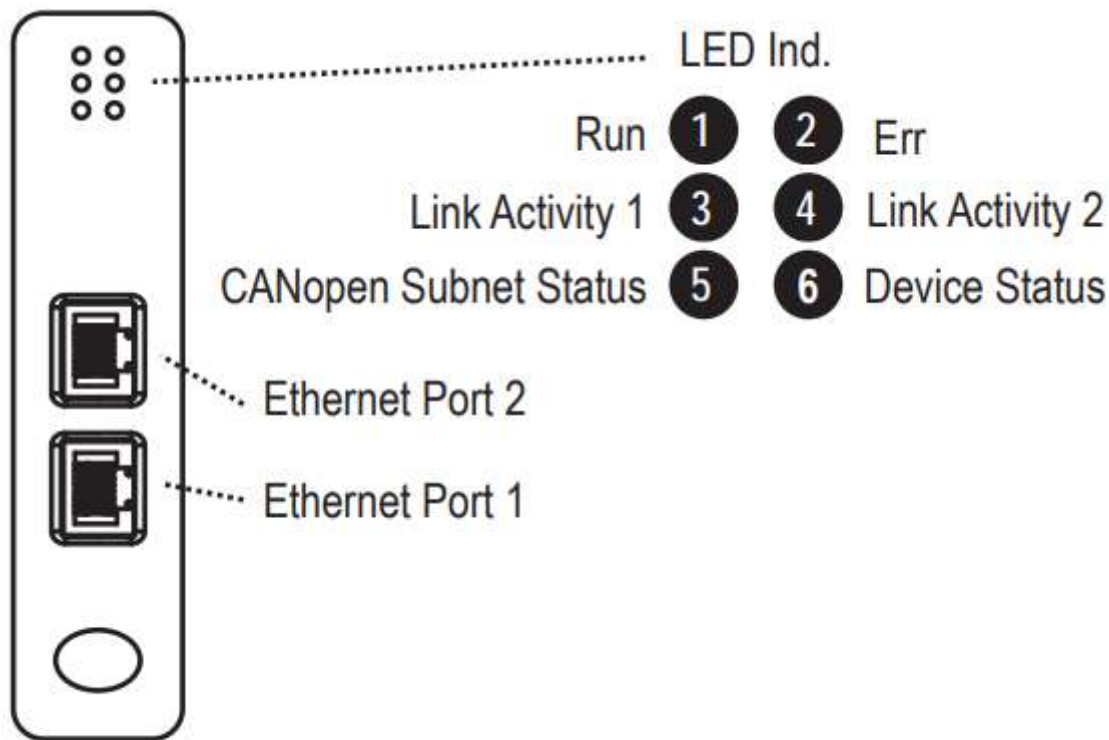


Fig. 11.4 LED indicators on rear interface

11.3. Communication Examples

Hilscher's EtherNet/IP Tool is software that can simulate EtherNet/IP messages and send request to Magna-Power devices. Below are some examples using this software to demonstrate the different types of messaging.

11.3.1. Explicit Messaging Example

Explicit messages involves simple request-response traffic between the originator and target. In [Explicit read example](#), a request for the *Setpoint Current* (Instance #514) is sent and a response value 2.5A (0x40200000) is returned.

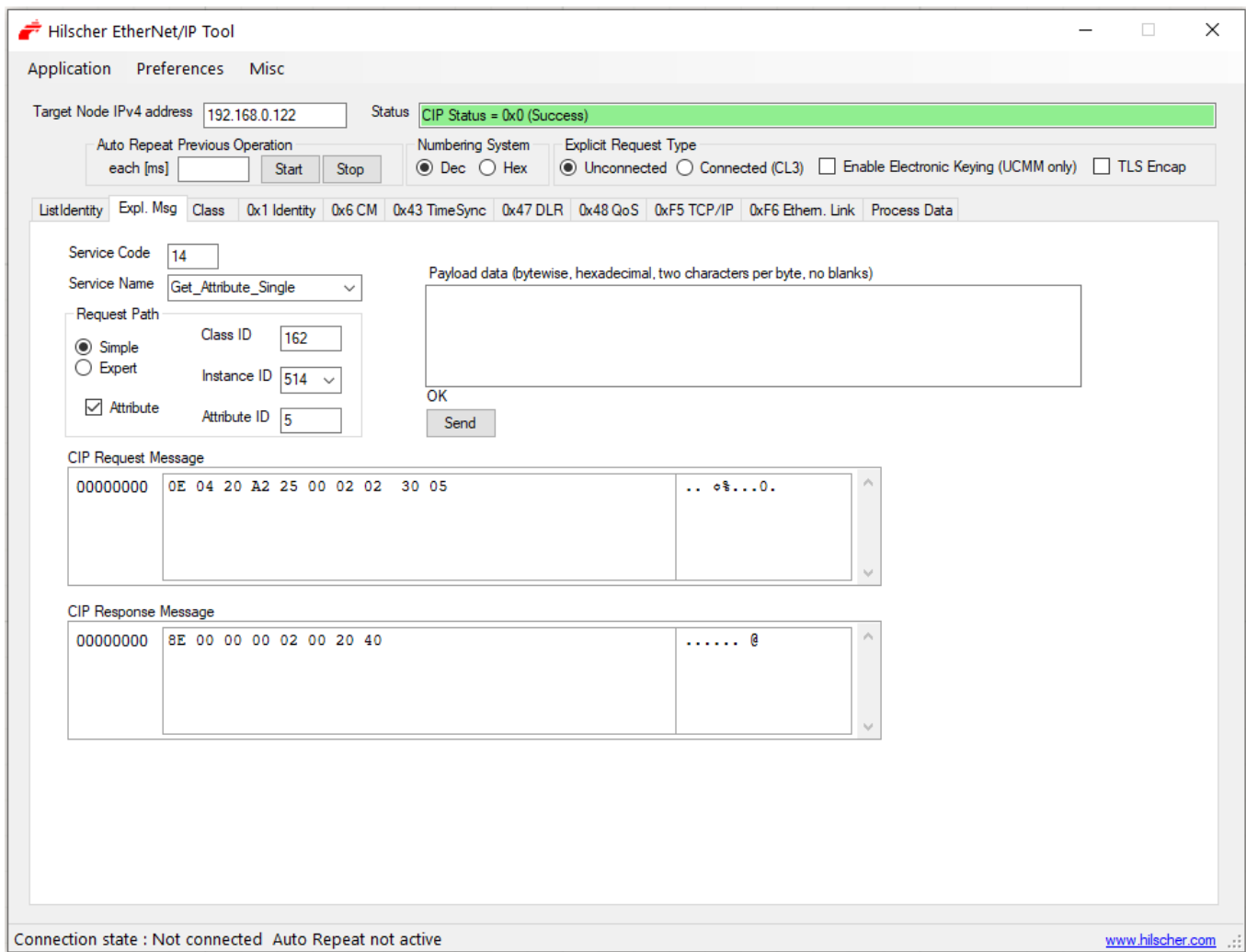


Fig. 11.5 Explicit read example

In [Explicit write example](#), the value for the Setpoint Current (Instance #513) is updated with 2.578125A (0x40250000) and a CIP write response acknowledges the operation.

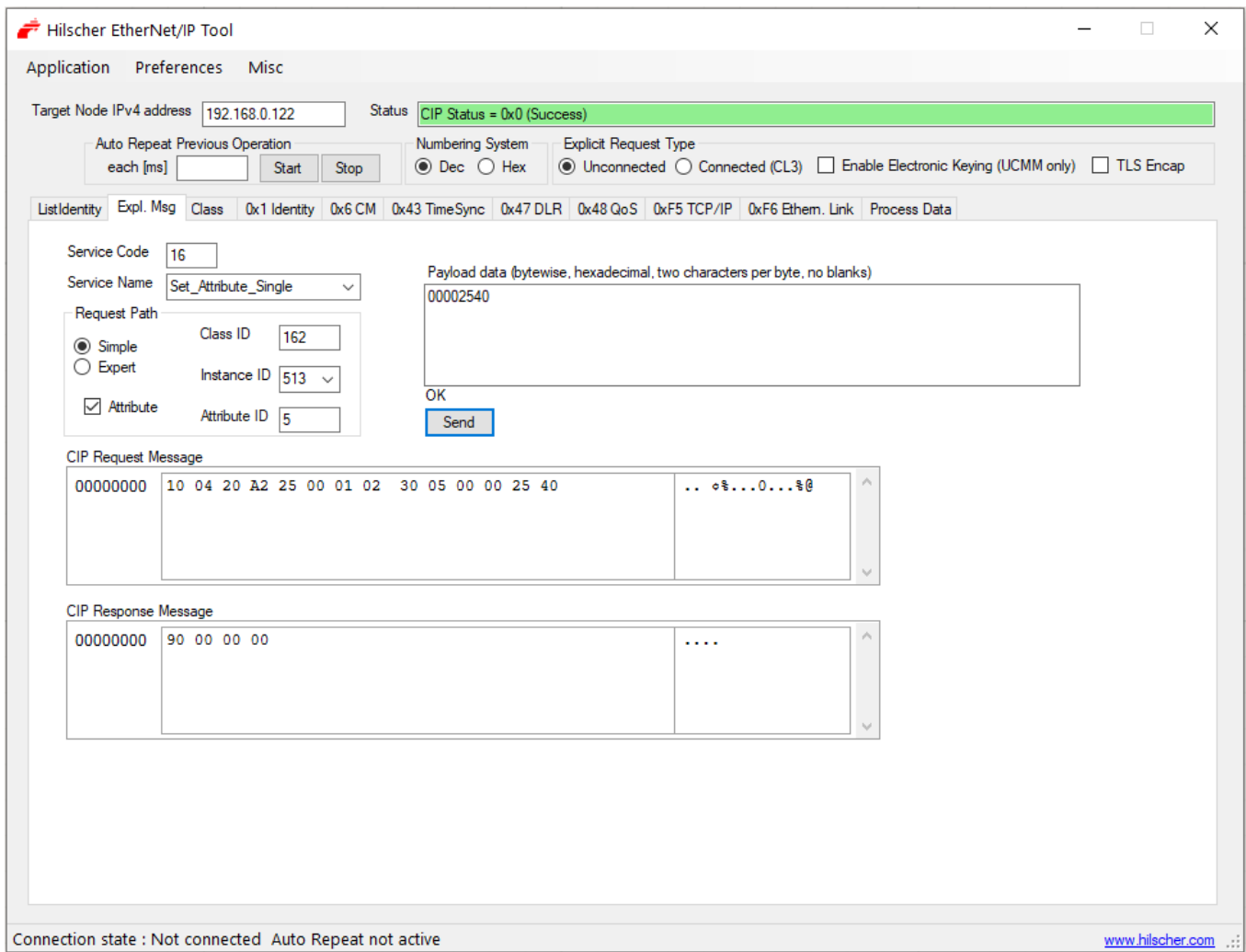


Fig. 11.6 Explicit write example

11.3.2. Implicit Messaging Example

The following is a typical use case example for implicit messaging, where the set point voltage and set point current are cyclically updated, and the terminal voltage, terminal current, and status register are measured concurrently. Hilschne EtherNet/IP Tool was used to construct the message and to act as the originator. The connection path settings are listed below. Message needs to be formatted as little-endian, as was discussed in Data Formatting. The fields labeled *Actual I/O size* must be sized to fit the traffic and checkboxes *Additional 4 bytes for Run/Idle Header* and *Run Bit Set in Run/Idle Header* must be checked, as shown in Implicit message example.

Table 11.7 Connection path

| Object | Instance | Name | Attribute | Supported Services |
|-----------------|------------|-------|----------------------|--|
| Assembly (0x04) | 100 (0x64) | Input | Data (3) Size (4) | Get Attribute Single (14) Set Attribute Single (16) |

| Object | Instance | Name | Attribute | Supported Services |
|--------|------------|---|----------------------|--|
| | 150 (0x96) | Output | Data (3) Size (4) | Get Attribute Single (14) Set Attribute Single (16) |
| | 5 (0x05) | Configuration (Used in Forward Open) | Data (3) Size (4) | Get Attribute Single (14) Set Attribute Single (16) |

Table 11.8 Output path, O→T

| Name | Value | Data Type | Value (Big-Endian) | Value (Little-Endian) |
|------------------|-------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Setpoint Current | 45.0 | 32 bit Floating Point | 0x42340000 | 0x00003442 |
| Setpoint Voltage | 100.0 | 32 bit Floating Point | 0x42C80000 | 0x0000C842 |

Table 11.9 Input path, T→O

| Name | Value | Data Type | Value (Big-Endian) | Value (Little-Endian) |
|------------------------------|----------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Status Register | 262209 | 32 bit Integer | 0x00040041 | 0x41000400 |
| Terminal Current Measurement | 44.77724 | 32 bit Floating Point | 0x423316F9 | 0xF9163342 |
| Terminal Voltage Measurement | 100.0365 | 32 bit Floating Point | 0x42C812BD | 0xBD12C842 |

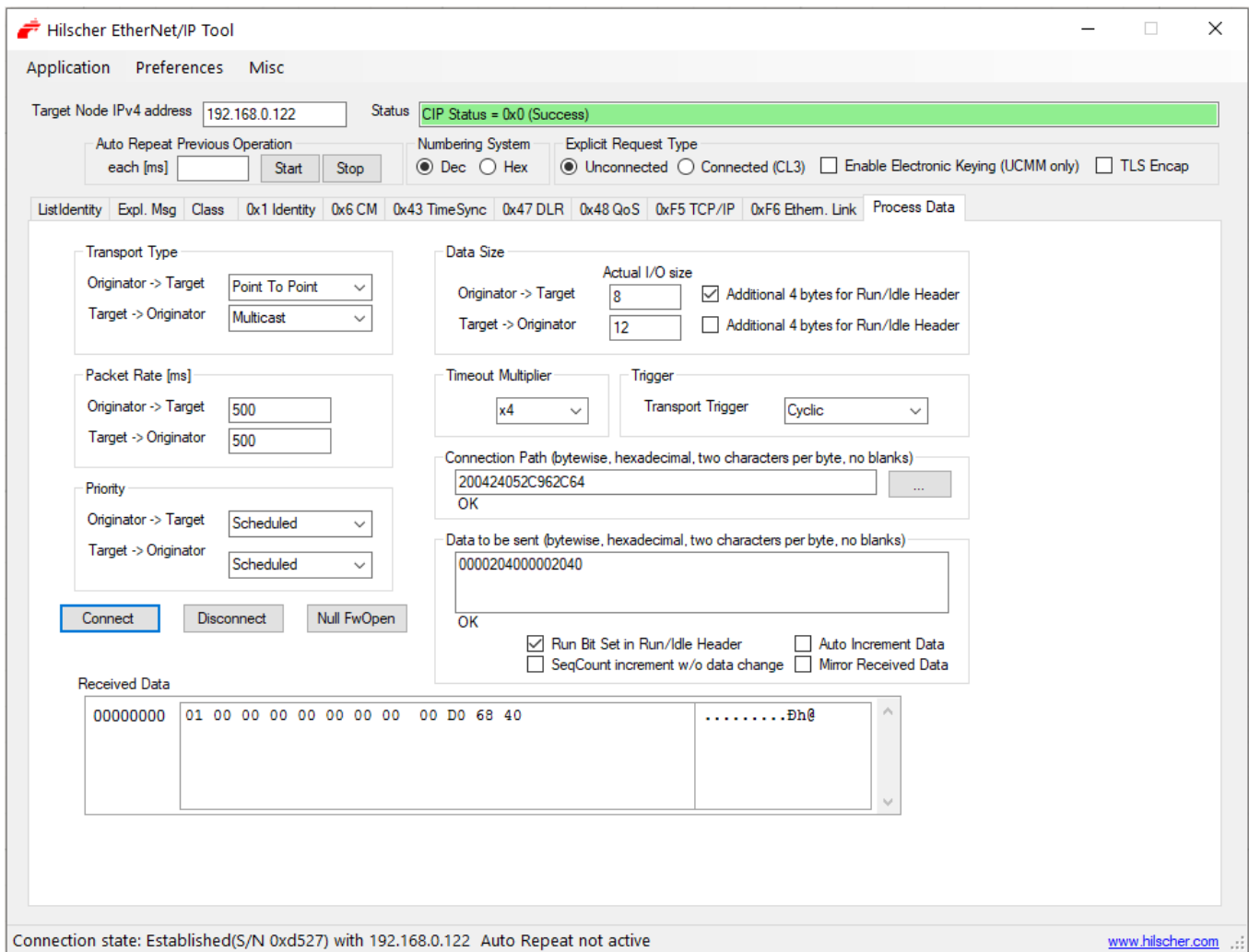


Fig. 11.7 Implicit message example

11.4. Instances Listing

| EIP Command | Write Instance | Read Instance | Description |
|-----------------------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| Operation Commands | | | |
| StatusQuesQ | N/A | 11 | Returns the value of the Question |
| StatusRegQ | N/A | 13 | Status Register |
| FaultClear | 14 | N/A | Reset soft faults |
| Input | 17 | N/A | Enables or disables the DC input |
| Measurement Commands | | | |
| MeasCurrQ | N/A | 257 | Measures and returns the average |
| MeasVoltQ | N/A | 258 | Measures and returns the average |
| MeasPwrQ | N/A | 259 | Measures and returns the instan |
| MeasResQ | N/A | 260 | Measures and returns the instan |
| Setpoint Commands | | | |

| EIP Command | Write Instance | Read Instance | Description |
|------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| SetpointCurr | 513 | 514 | Sets the current set-point |
| SetpointVolt | 515 | 516 | Sets the voltage set-point |
| SetpointPwr | 517 | 518 | Sets the power set-point |
| SetpointRes | 519 | 520 | Sets the resistance set-point |
| Trip Commands | | | |
| OverTripCurr | 769 | 770 | Sets the over current trip (OCT) s |
| OverTripVolt | 771 | 772 | Sets the over voltage trip (OVT) s |
| OverTripPwr | 773 | 774 | Sets the over power trip (OPT) se |
| UnderTripVolt | 775 | 776 | Sets the under voltage trip (UVT) |
| Slew Commands | | | |
| RiseRampCurr | 1025 | 1026 | Sets the rising slew rate for curre |
| RiseRampVolt | 1027 | 1028 | Sets the rising slew rate for volta |
| RiseRampPwr | 1029 | 1030 | Sets the rising slew rate for powe |
| RiseRampRes | 1031 | 1032 | Sets the rising slew rate for resis |
| FallRampCurr | 1033 | 1034 | Sets the falling slew rate for curr |
| FallRampVolt | 1035 | 1036 | Sets the falling slew rate for volt |
| FallRampPwr | 1037 | 1038 | Sets the falling slew rate for pow |
| FallRampRes | 1039 | 1040 | Sets the falling slew rate for resi |
| Control Commands | | | |
| PowerRange | 1281 | 1282 | Enables extended power range |
| ControlMode | 1283 | 1284 | Sets the control mode |
| Function Generator Commands | | | |
| FuncType | 1537 | 1538 | Sets the desired function for the |
| FuncSinAmpl | 1539 | 1540 | Sets the amplitude for the sinuso |
| FuncSinOff | 1541 | 1542 | Sets the DC offset from zero for |
| FuncSinPrd | 1543 | 1544 | Sets the period for the sinusoid f |
| FuncSquLoLevel | 1545 | 1546 | Sets the low level amplitude for t |
| FuncSquHiLevel | 1547 | 1548 | Sets the high level amplitude for |
| FuncSquLoPrd | 1549 | 1550 | Sets the period that the square f |

| EIP Command | Write Instance | Read Instance | Description |
|-------------------------------|----------------|---------------|------------------------------------|
| FuncSquHiPrd | 1551 | 1552 | Sets the period that the square f |
| FuncStepLoLevel | 1553 | 1554 | Sets the low level amplitude for t |
| FuncStepHiLevel | 1555 | 1556 | Sets the high level amplitude for |
| FuncRampLoLevel | 1557 | 1558 | Sets the low level amplitude for t |
| FuncRampHiLevel | 1559 | 1560 | Sets the high level amplitude for |
| FuncRampRisePrd | 1561 | 1562 | Sets the period for the ramp func |
| FuncRampFallPrd | 1563 | 1564 | Sets the period for the ramp func |
| Configuration Commands | | | |
| FactoryRestore | 1793 | N/A | Restores the factory EEPROM da |
| Lock | 1795 | 1794 | Locks and unlocks the product fi |
| SenseMode | 1798 | 1799 | Configures the sense location ar |
| SetSource | 1802 | 1803 | Sets the setpoint source |

11.4.1. Operation Commands

11.4.1.1. StatusQuesQ

This command queries and returns the values of the Questionable Register. This read-only register holds the live (unlatched) questionable statuses of the MagnaLOAD electronic load. Issuing this query does not clear the register. The bit configuration of the Questionable Register is shown in the table below.

| | |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| Write Instance: | 11 |
| Supported Service: | Get |
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Integer |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |

Questionable Register

| Bit | Weight | Abbreviation | Description |
|-----|--------|--------------|-------------------------------------|
| 0 | 1 | OVP | over voltage protection, hard fault |

| Bit | Weight | Abbreviation | Description |
|-----|--------|--------------|---|
| 1 | 2 | OCT | over current trip, soft fault |
| 2 | 4 | OVT | over voltage trip, soft fault |
| 3 | 8 | OPT | over power trip, soft fault |
| 4 | 16 | OCP | over current protection, hard fault |
| 5 | 32 | OTP | over temperature protection, hard fault |
| 6 | 64 | RSL | remote sense loss, hard fault |
| 7 | 128 | CC | constant current regulation, regulation status |
| 8 | 256 | CV | constant voltage regulation, regulation status |
| 9 | 512 | CR | constant resistance regulation, regulation status |
| 10 | 1024 | CP | constant power regulation, regulation status |
| 11 | 2048 | SFLT | soft fault, the ord value of all soft faults |
| 12 | 4096 | HFLT | hard fault, the ord value of all hard faults |

11.4.1.2. StatusRegQ

This command queries the Status Register. This read-only register holds the live (unlatched) operation status of the MagnaLOAD electronic load. Issuing a query does not clear the register. The register location and definitions are subject to change after any firmware release to accommodate new features. The [Questionable Register](#) is a subset of the status register and does not change between firmware updates. The present bit assignments are shown in the table below.

| | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Write Instance: | 13 |
| Supported Service: | Get |
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Integer |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |

Status Register

| Bit | Name | Description |
|-----|---------|----------------------|
| 0 | standby | output is in standby |
| 1 | live | output is active |

| Bit | Name | Description |
|-----|-------------------|---|
| 2 | nonhalt1 | available |
| 3 | nonhalt2 | available |
| 4 | overCurrTrip | over current trip |
| 5 | overVoltTrip | over voltage trip |
| 6 | overPwrTrip | over power trip |
| 7 | remoteSenseLoss | remote sense voltage outside of acceptable bounds |
| 8 | underVoltTrip | under voltage trip |
| 9 | shutdown | target is creating a shutdown condition |
| 10 | linPwrLim | power across linear modules exceed ratings |
| 11 | resPwrLim | power across resistors exceed ratings |
| 12 | bootFailure | one or multiple target did not boot up |
| 13 | bootState | one or more targets are waiting to boot |
| 14 | phaseCurr | rated phase current exceeded |
| 15 | comm | communications are corrupted |
| 16 | overCurrProtect | terminal current exceeded product rating |
| 17 | overVoltProtect | terminal voltage exceeded product rating |
| 18 | tempRLin | linear module exceeded temperature |
| 19 | blownFuse | fuse is blown on the auxiliary power supply |
| 20 | interlock | interlock open |
| 21 | haltUserClear | available |
| 22 | maintenance | maintenance |
| 23 | tempDMod | diode modules exceeded temperature |
| 24 | invalidProdConfig | invalid product configuration |
| 25 | stackOverflow | exceeded firmware stack |
| 26 | lineFault | line fault analog/digital inputs |
| 27 | tempRMod | resistor module exceeded temperature |
| 28 | belowRatedMinVolt | below minimum voltage rating(28) |
| 29 | outOfRegulation | out of regulation, unexpected currents measured |
| 30 | targetUpgrade | mainctrl upgrading other targets |

| Bit | Name | Description |
|------------|------------------|--|
| 31 | haltSelfClear | available |
| 32 | constantCurr | regulation state |
| 33 | constantVolt | regulation state |
| 34 | constantRes | regulation state |
| 35 | constantPwr | regulation state |
| 36 | powerRange | operation range |
| 37 | remoteSense | sense terminal in use |
| 38 | lock | lock state |
| 39 | extAnlgCtrl | external control through analog inputs |
| 40 | overTemp | temperature fault linear and resistor combined |
| 41 | softTripShutdown | protection trip caused due to soft faults |
| 42 | hardTripShutdown | protection trip caused due to hard faults |
| 43 | notUsed1 | available |
| 44 | notUsed2 | available |
| 45 | notUsed3 | available |
| 46 | notUsed4 | available |
| 47 | notUsed5 | available |
| 48 | notUsed6 | available |
| 49 | notUsed7 | available |
| 50 | notUsed8 | available |
| 51 | notUsed9 | available |
| 52 | notUsed10 | available |
| 53 | notUsed11 | available |
| 54 | notUsed12 | available |
| 55 | notUsed13 | available |
| 56 | notUsed14 | available |
| 57 | notUsed15 | available |
| 58 | notUsed16 | available |
| 59 | notUsed17 | available |

| Bit | Name | Description |
|-----|-----------|-------------|
| 60 | notUsed18 | available |
| 61 | notUsed19 | available |
| 62 | notUsed20 | available |
| 63 | notUsed21 | available |

11.4.1.3. FaultClear

This command removes the latch that disables the input when a fault condition is detected, as further detailed in [Clear Command](#) documentation. All conditions that generate the fault must be resolved before the latch can be cleared. Once the fault has been cleared, the input can be re-enabled with the eip-input-start command.

| | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Write Instance: | 14 |
| Supported Service: | Set |
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Data Format: | Boolean |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |

11.4.1.4. Input

This command enables or disables the MagnaLOAD electronic load input. The state of a disabled input is a high impedance condition.

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Write Instance: | 17 |
| Supported Service: | Set |
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Data Format: | Boolean |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |

11.4.2. Measurement Commands

11.4.2.1. MeasCurrQ

This query commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average current through the DC terminals.

Write Instance: 257
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.2.2. MeasVoltQ

This query commands commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average voltage at the DC terminals. If the remote sense function is used and engaged, this command returns the voltage measured at the sense terminals.

Write Instance: 258
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.2.3. MeasPwrQ

This query commands commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average power at the DC terminals.

Write Instance: 259
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.2.4. MeasResQ

This query commands commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average power at the DC terminals.

Write Instance: 260

Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

11.4.3. Setpoint Commands

11.4.3.1. SetpointCurr

This command programs the current set-point that the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant current mode.

Write Instance: 513
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Read Instance: 514
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.3.2. SetpointVolt

This command programs the voltage set-point, in volts, which the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant voltage mode.

Write Instance: 515
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Read Instance: 516

Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.3.3. SetpointPwr

This command programs the power set-point, in watts, which the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant power mode.

Write Instance: 517
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Read Instance: 518
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.3.4. SetpointRes

This command programs the resistance set-point, in ohms, which the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant resistance mode.

Write Instance: 519
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Read Instance: 520
Supported Service: Get

Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

11.4.4. Trip Commands

11.4.4.1. OverTripCurr

This command programs the over current trip (OCT) set-point. If the input current exceeds the over current trip set-point for multiple samples, the input is disconnected and an OCT fault is indicated.

Write Instance: 769
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Read Instance: 770
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.4.2. OverTripVolt

This command programs the over voltage trip (OVT) set-point. If the input voltage exceeds the over voltage trip set-point for multiple samples, the input is disconnected and an OVT fault is indicated.

Write Instance: 771
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Read Instance: 772
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.4.3. OverTripPwr

This command programs the over power trip (OPT) set-point. If the input power exceeds the over power trip set-point for multiple sample, the input is disconnected and an OPT fault is indicated.

Write Instance: 773
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Read Instance: 774
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.4.4. UnderTripVolt

This command programs the under voltage trip (UVT) set-point. If the input voltage falls below the under voltage trip set-point for multiple samples, the input is disconnected and an UVT fault is indicated.

Write Instance: 775
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Read Instance: 776
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.5. Slew Commands

11.4.5.1. RiseRampCurr

This command sets the current slew rate for increasing current transitions while in constant current regulation. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Write Instance: 1025
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Read Instance: 1026
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.5.2. RiseRampVolt

This command sets the voltage slew rate for increasing voltage transitions while in constant voltage regulation. The units for voltage slew rate are volts per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Write Instance: 1027
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Read Instance: 1028
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.5.3. RiseRampPwr

This command sets the power slew rate for increasing power transitions while in constant power regulation. The units for power slew rate are watts per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Write Instance: 1029
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Read Instance: 1030
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.5.4. RiseRampRes

This command sets the resistance slew rate for increasing resistance transitions while in constant resistance regulation. The units for resistance slew rate are ohms per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

| | |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Write Instance: | 1031 |
| Supported Service: | Set |
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |
| Read Instance: | 1032 |
| Supported Service: | Get |
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |

11.4.5.5. FallRampCurr

This command sets the current slew rate for decreasing current transitions while in constant current regulation. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

| | |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Write Instance: | 1033 |
| Supported Service: | Set |
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |
| Read Instance: | 1034 |
| Supported Service: | Get |
| Register Count: | 1 |

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.5.6. FallRampVolt

This command sets the voltage slew rate for decreasing voltage transitions while in constant voltage regulation. The units for voltage slew rate are volts per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Write Instance: 1035

Supported Service: Set

Register Count: 1

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Read Instance: 1036

Supported Service: Get

Register Count: 1

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.5.7. FallRampPwr

This command sets the power slew rate for decreasing power transitions while in constant power regulation. The units for power slew rate are watts per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Write Instance: 1037

Supported Service: Set

Register Count: 1

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Read Instance: 1038
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.5.8. FallRampRes

This command sets the resistance slew rate for decreasing resistance transitions while in constant resistance regulation. The units for resistance slew rate are ohms per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Write Instance: 1039
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Read Instance: 1040
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

11.4.6. Control Commands

11.4.6.1. PowerRange

This command activates a programmable series resistance and is available only in ARx and WRx models. When enabled, power dissipation is shared across series resistors and linear devices allowing the product to reach higher power levels.

Write Instance: 1281
Supported Service: Set

| | |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Data Format: | Boolean |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |
| Read Instance: | 1282 |
| Supported Service: | Get |
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Data Format: | Boolean |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |

11.4.6.2. ControlMode

This command configures the MagnaLOAD electronic load's control mode. [Control Modes](#) provides more information about the various options.

| | |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| Write Instance: | 1283 |
| Supported Service: | Set |
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Data Format: | 16-bit Integer |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |
| Read Instance: | 1284 |
| Supported Service: | Get |
| Register Count: | 1 |
| Data Format: | 16-bit Integer |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |

11.4.7. Function Generator Commands

11.4.7.1. FuncType

This command selects the desired function for the integrated function generator, which is active when the product's [set point source](#) is set to function generator.

| | |
|--------------------|------|
| Write Instance: | 1537 |
| Supported Service: | Set |

Register Count: 1
Data Format: 16-bit Integer
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Read Instance: 1538
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 16-bit Integer
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

11.4.7.2. FuncSinAmpl

This command sets the amplitude (Adc) for the sinusoid function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 0 (sinusoid).

Write Instance: 1539
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Read Instance: 1540
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

11.4.7.3. FuncSinOff

This command sets the DC offset from zero (Adc) for the sinusoid function midline when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 0 (sinusoid).

Write Instance: 1541
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Read Instance: 1542
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

11.4.7.4. FuncSinPrd

This command sets the period (milliseconds) for the sinusoid function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 0 (sinusoid). The sinusoid's period is the length of one full cycle.

Write Instance: 1543
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Read Instance: 1544
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

11.4.7.5. FuncSquLoLevel

This command sets the low level amplitude for the square function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 1 (square).

Write Instance: 1545
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Read Instance: 1546
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

11.4.7.6. FuncSquHiLevel

This command sets the high level amplitude for the square function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 1 (square).

Write Instance: 1547
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Read Instance: 1548
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

11.4.7.7. FuncSquLoPrd

This command sets the period/duration (milliseconds) that the square function remains at the low level amplitude when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 1 (square).

Write Instance: 1549
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Read Instance: 1550
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

11.4.7.8. FuncSquHiPrd

This command sets the period/duration (milliseconds) that the square function remains at the low level amplitude when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 1 (square).

Write Instance: 1551
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Read Instance: 1552
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

11.4.7.9. FuncStepLoLevel

This command sets the low level amplitude for the step function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 2 (step).

Write Instance: 1553
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Read Instance: 1554
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

11.4.7.10. FuncStepHiLevel

This command sets the high level amplitude for the step function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 2 (step).

Write Instance: 1555
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Read Instance: 1556
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

11.4.7.11. FuncRampLoLevel

This command sets the low level amplitude for the ramp function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 3 (ramp).

Write Instance: 1557
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Read Instance: 1558
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

11.4.7.12. FuncRampHiLevel

This command sets the high level amplitude for the ramp function when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 3 (ramp).

Write Instance: 1559
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Read Instance: 1560
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

11.4.7.13. FuncRampRisePrd

This command sets the period/duration (milliseconds) for the ramp function to transition from the low level amplitude to the high level amplitude when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 3 (ramp).

Write Instance: 1561
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Read Instance: 1562
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

11.4.7.14. FuncRampFallPrd

This command sets the period/duration (milliseconds) for the ramp function to transition from the high level amplitude to the low level amplitude when the [set point source](#) is set to 1 (function generator) and the [function type](#) is set to 3 (ramp).

Write Instance: 1563
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Read Instance: 1564
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

11.4.8. Configuration Commands

11.4.8.1. FactoryRestore

This command performs a factory restore to default EPROM values. Both Soft Restore and Hard Restore are available through command parameters.

Write Instance: 1793
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 16-bit Integer

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.8.2. Lock

This command configures the MagnaLOAD electronic load's lock state. While locked, the stop button is the only functional button on the front panel. See protect-lock for more details on how lock works and how behaves relative to other locking inputs (front panel and digital input).

Write Instance: 1795

Supported Service: Set

Register Count: 1

Data Format: Boolean

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Read Instance: 1794

Supported Service: Get

Register Count: 1

Data Format: Boolean

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.8.3. SenseMode

This command configures where the MagnaLOAD electronic load senses voltage. The sense location also effects how power and resistance are calculated. Local sensing monitors the directly across the output terminals. Remote sensing, as described in remote-sense, measures across the terminal JS2. This external connection can be used to improve regulation at the point of load, as is needed for example, in compensating voltage drops caused by wire resistance.

Write Instance: 1798

Supported Service: Set

Register Count: 1

Data Format: 16-bit Integer

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Read Instance: 1799

Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 16-bit Integer
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

11.4.8.4. SetSource

The command selects and routes different set points sources to the digital controller. Operation of this feature is described in [Set Point Source](#). By default, the source is set to *local* (value 0), where set points originating from the front panel or communication interfaces are routed to the ALx Series digital control. When the source is set to *function generator* (value 1), set points are generated internally, by a periodic function generator block. When *external analog input* (value 3) is set, the voltage(s) applied to the rear connector are converted into set points.

Write Instance: 1802
Supported Service: Set
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 16-bit Integer
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Read Instance: 1803
Supported Service: Get
Register Count: 1
Data Format: 16-bit Integer
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12. EtherCAT Command Set

12.1. EtherCAT Overview

EtherCAT is a real-time Ethernet network protocol developed by Beckhoff Automation for communicating among multiple nodes. EtherCAT networks are formed using CAT5e cabling, where master and nodes can be directly wired together through RJ-45 ports, in a daisy chain configuration, without need for external networking switches.

Software generates master/slave configurations by loading a EtherCAT Slave Information (ESI) file. Magna-Power Electronics provides this ESI file (XML) to customers which contains identifying information, exposes functionality, and stores settings.

Magna-Power Electronics has implemented and tested the basic EtherCAT protocol and Ethernet over EtherCAT. Additional protocols over EtherCAT (e.g., CANopen over EtherCAT (CoE), File Access over EtherCAT) may work, but have not been tested, and therefore are not supported.

12.2. Data Objects

12.2.1. Process Data Objects (PDOs)

PDOs are real-time data frequently sent to and from connected Magna-Power Electronics devices. When describing PDO traffic, it is referenced with respect to the EtherCAT slave device. For example, *Transmit PDOs* (TxPDO) are transmitted from the slave and are read-only, while *Receive PDOs* (RxPDO) transmits variables to the slave and have write access. Measurement reads would be mapped in the TxPDO Mapping, whereas set points would be in the RxPDO Mapping.

12.2.2. Service Data Objects (SDOs)

SDOs are messages sent on request and have no timing expectations. SDOs are intended for non-real-time communications, as they must wait for the network to respond, and are typically used for reporting status, changing operating modes, and etc. RxSDOs variables should not be used to update values already part of a PDO, as they are updated regularly, and the values would be overwritten by the RxPDO.

12.3. EtherCAT State Machine

The master controls slaves by following the EtherCAT state machine. Slaves can transition between four states: Init, Pre-Operational, Safe-Operational, Operational. In each state configuration checks are made and types of communications opened. The transition between states are diagrammed in [EtherCAT state machine](#). Allowed communications in each is described in [Allowed protocols for each state](#). Devices enter the Init when first switched-on and reaches Operational under normal conditions

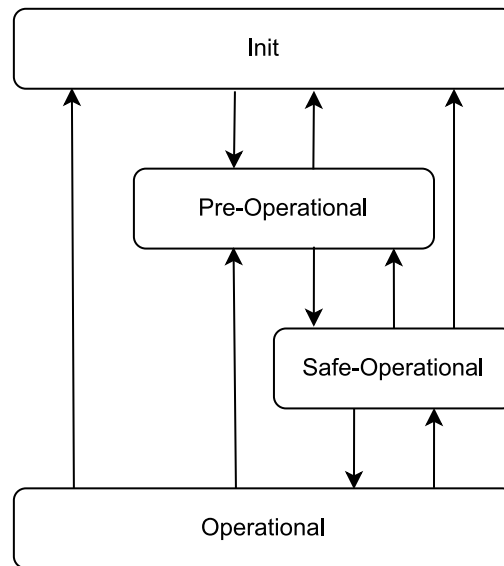


Fig. 12.1 EtherCAT state machine

Table 12.1 Allowed protocols for each state

| State | RxSDO/TxSDO | TxPDO | RxPDO |
|------------------|-------------|-------|-------|
| Init | | | |
| Pre-Operational | ✓ | | |
| Safe-Operational | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Operational | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |

12.4. Development using TwinCAT

Communication was tested with Magna-Power Electronics devices using software called TwinCAT 3 (version 3.1), which enables a personal computer to communicate over EtherCAT and act as a PLC master. Software is available for download on the Beckhoff Automation website using the link.

[TwinCAT 3](#)

A dedicated EtherCAT network is needed, segregated from the local TCP/IP network, as the two protocols are not compatible. In the examples, a separate network interface card (NIC) was installed just for EtherCAT communications. Specifically, an INTEL 8255x based NIC, as recommended by Beckhoff for real-time communications and compatibility with TwinCAT 3 software.

After installing the NIC and TwinCAT 3 follow the Windows driver [installation guide](#) on the Beckhoff website so that NIC is treated as a TwinCAT network adapter.

12.4.1. Project Configuration

A project file stores connection settings for each EtherCAT device which helps with application development for multi-device networks. The following steps walks through creating a project – the same used in the examples section.

1. Open the TwinCAT XAE Shell (TcXaeShell) application and create a new project by clicking *File > New > Project* and select *TwinCAT XAE Project (XML format)*.
2. Download the Magna-Power Electronics ESI file below, save to the TwinCAT installation directory (default is C:/TwinCAT/3.1/Config/lo/EtherCAT).

[↓ Magna-Power Electronics ESI File](#)

3. The *Restart TwinCAT (Config Mode)*, *Toggle Free Run State*, and *Show Online Data* buttons should all be pressed, as shown in project-configuration.

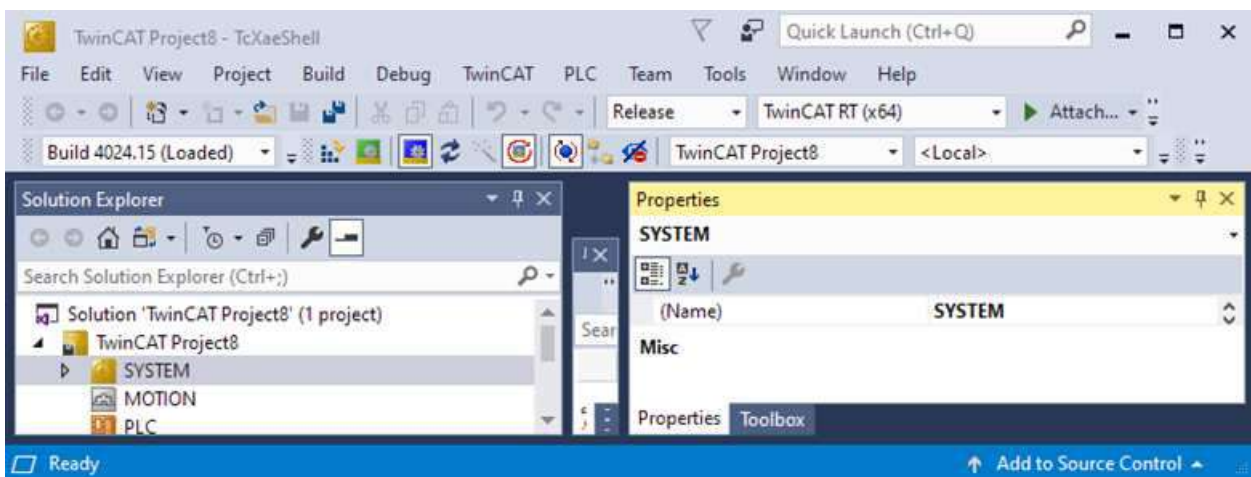


Fig. 12.2 Project running configuration

4. Navigate from the top to *TwinCAT > Show Realtime Ethernet Compatible Devices*. There are three possible scenarios:

- a. If a TwinCAT adapter was already installed, it will appear under *Installed and ready to use devices(realtime capable)* tree. No additional setup is needed, as shown.
- b. If a TwinCAT adapter is available but not installed, it will appear under *Compatible devices* tree. Select the desired network adapter and press the *Install* button, which makes it appear in *Installed and ready to use devices(realtime capable)* tree.
- c. If a TwinCAT adapter is unavailable the *Compatible devices* tree will be empty, which indicates computer was unable to detect a compatible NIC.

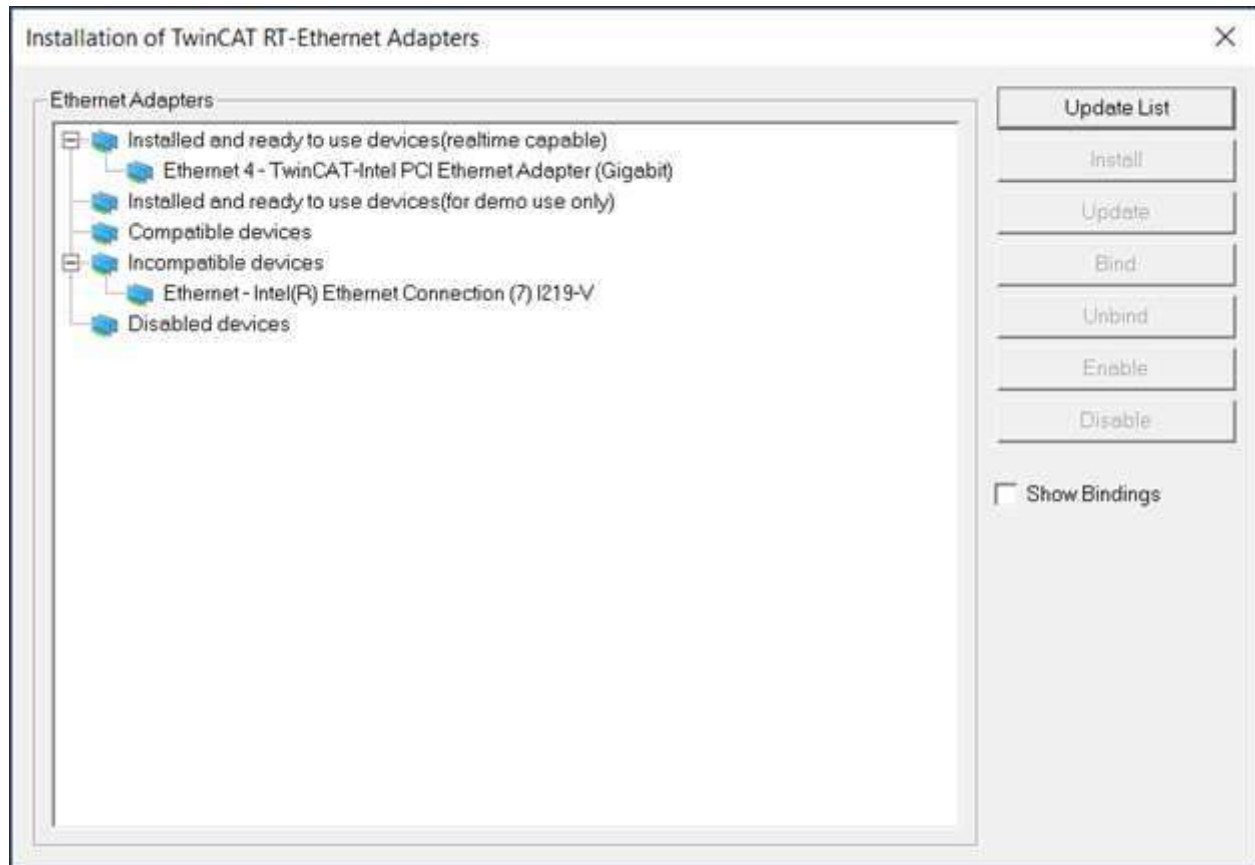


Fig. 12.3 Adapter installation

5. In the *Solution Explorer* panel expand the *I/O* in the project tree. Right click on *Devices* and select *Add New Item*.

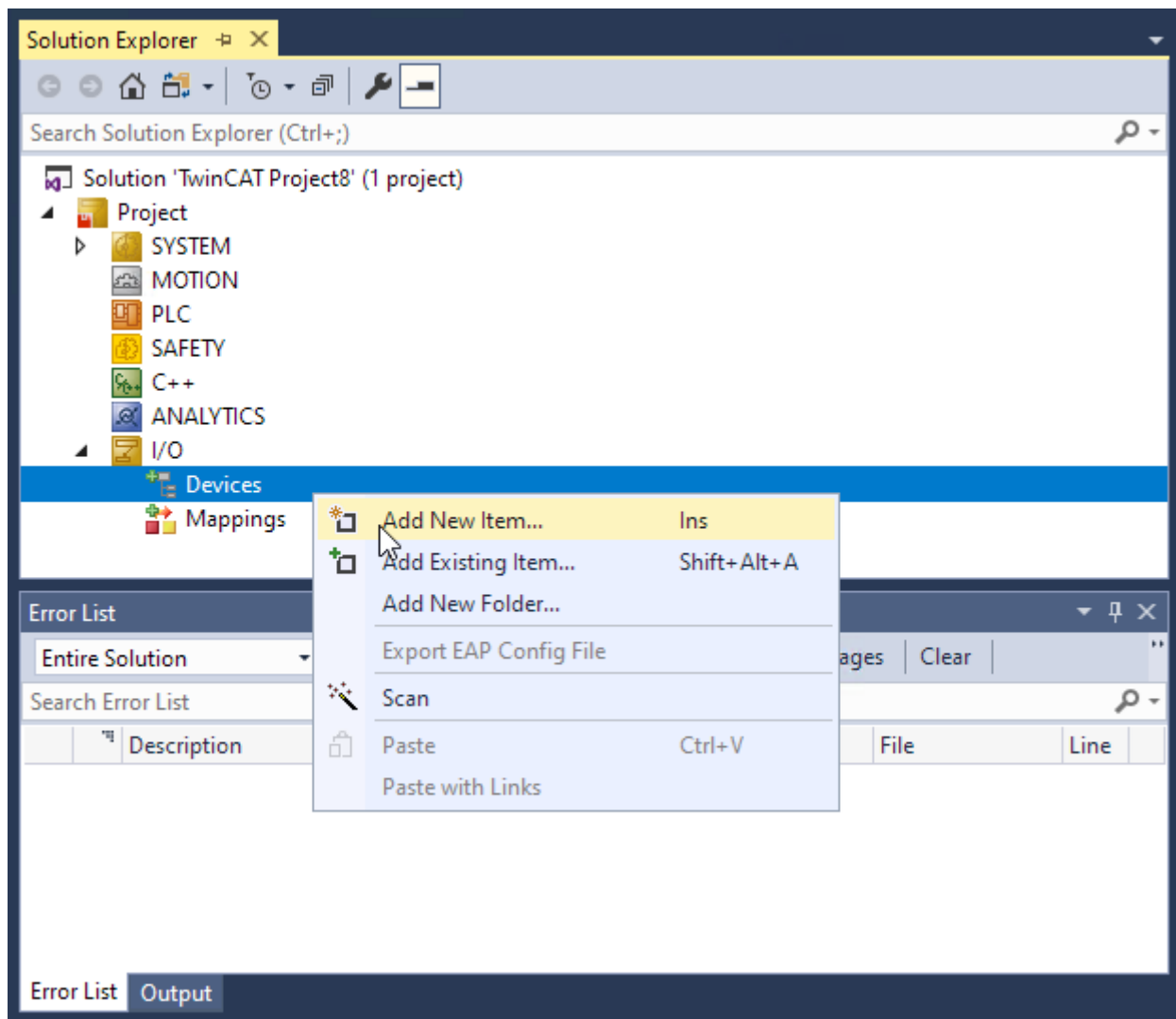


Fig. 12.4 Add new device

6. In the *Insert Device* window, select *EtherCAT Master*.
7. Under the devices tree *Device 1 (EtherCAT)* should be visible. Right click on the device and select *Scan*. If the Magna-Power Electronics device is found, called *Box 1 (Anybus CompactCom 40 EtherCAT)* will be added as a BLANK to Device
8. Verify device configuration by double clicking on *Box 1* and selecting the *Online* tab. If successful, the field labeled *Current State* will show *OP*, indicating the **Operational** state.

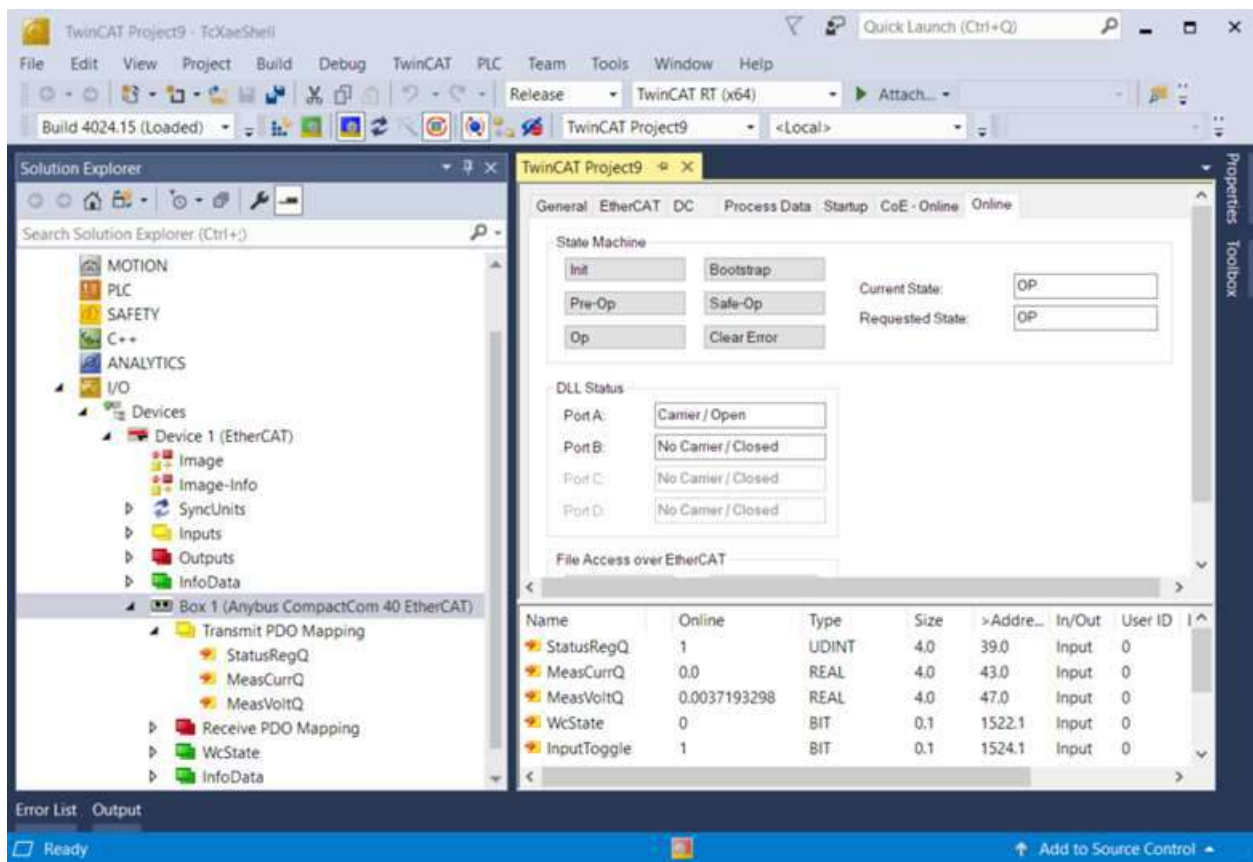


Fig. 12.5 Operation status online tab

12.4.2. PDO Communication

TcXaeShell provides a couple options for reading PDOs

1. In *Box 1 - Transmit PDO Mapping*, PDO variables are listed. Select a variable and open to the *Online* tab to see that variable plotted in time.

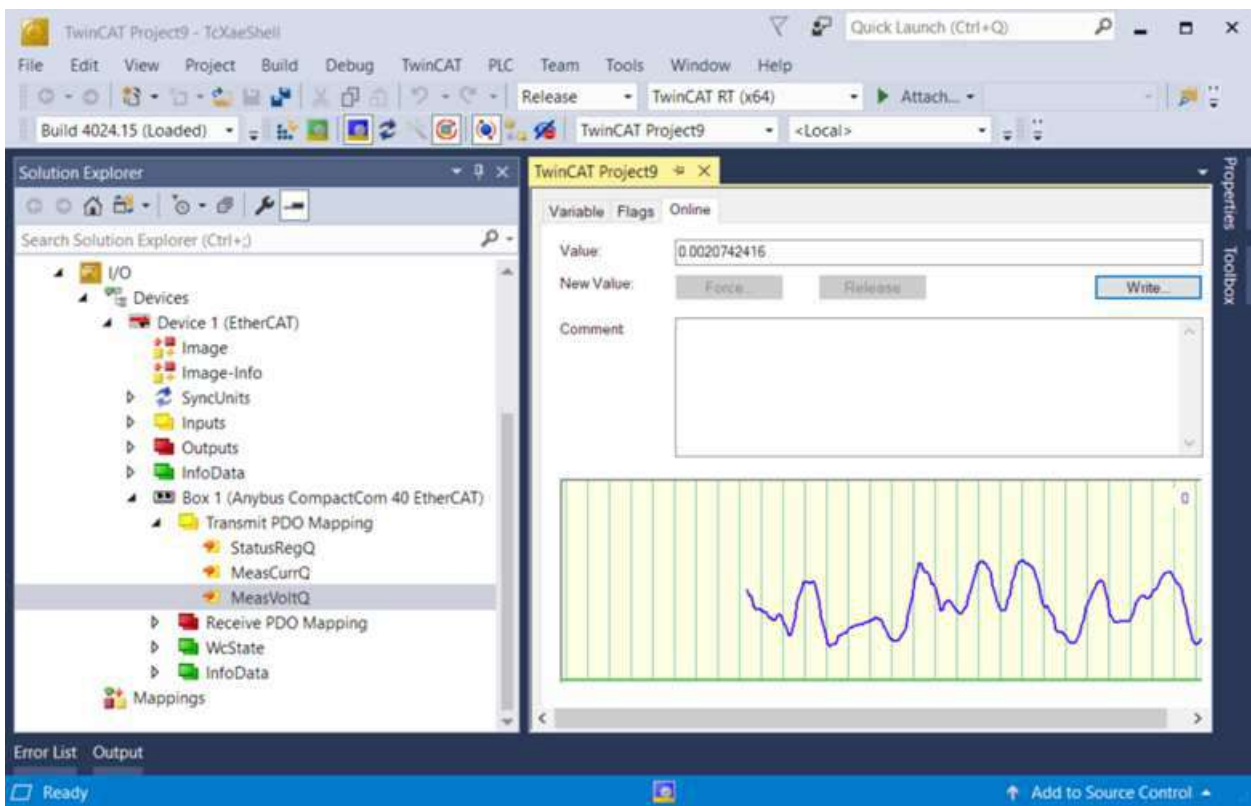


Fig. 12.6 Graphing of a PDO variable

2. Selecting *Box 1* a list all PDOs are presented. Note that *WcState*, *InputToggle*, *State*, and *AdsAddr* are TwinCAT specific variables and can be ignored.

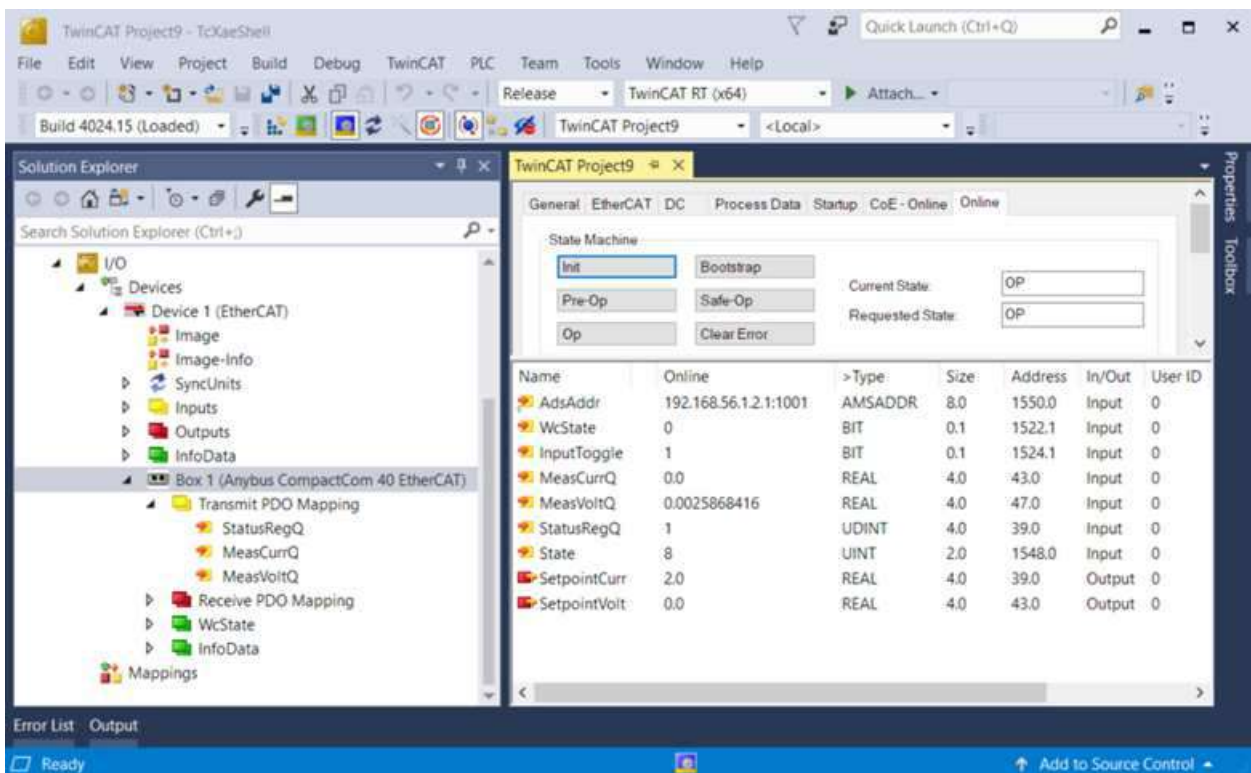


Fig. 12.7 PDO variable listing

TcXaeShell provides a couple options for writing PDOs

1. In *Solution Explorer* click the desired variable in *Box 1 - Receive PDO Mapping* and open the *Variable* tab.
2. The same can be accomplished by right clicking on the variable and selecting *Online* tab and the *Write* button, which also graphs the value over time.

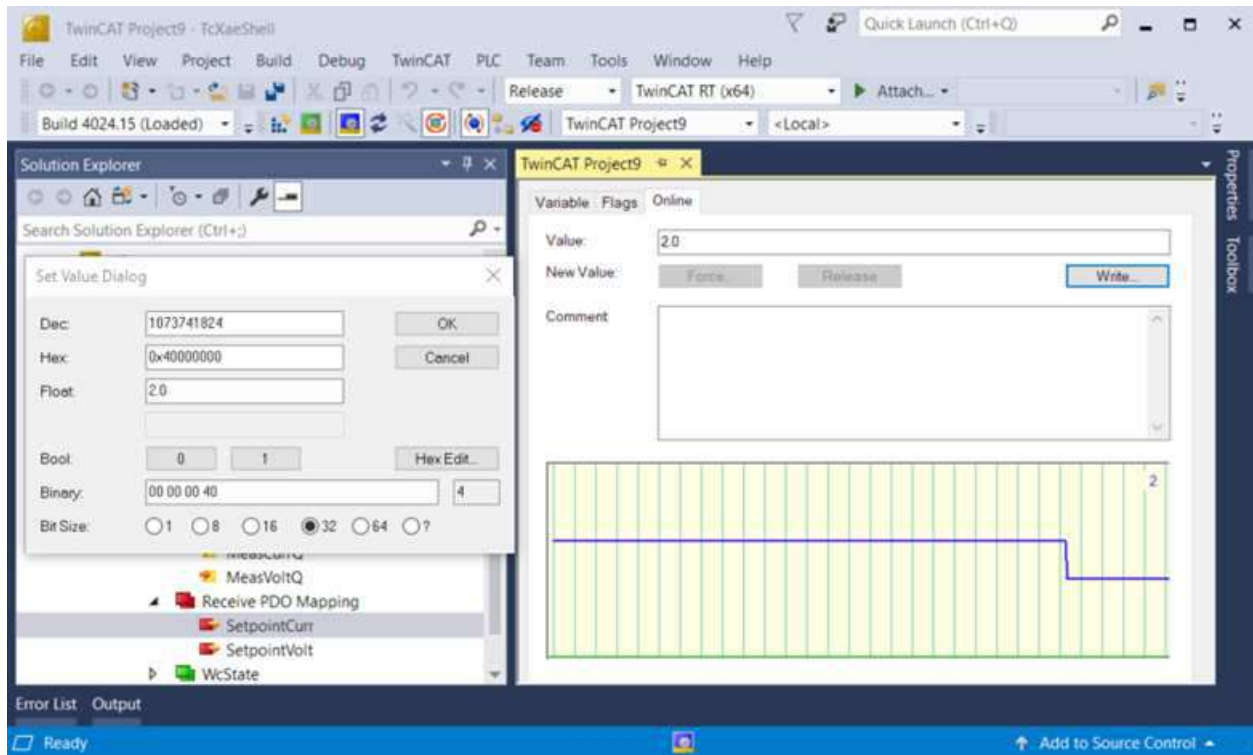


Fig. 12.8 Writing PDO from the Online tab

The *Set Value Dialog* provides entry using multiple number formats. On change, all the fields will update such that numbers are equivalent. figure-ecat-twincat-write-dialog shows equivalent fields for a *Float* value of 3.7588999. Based what the PDO/SDO variable represents, users may elect to use integer number formats (Dec, Hex, or Binary) instead. Note that byte ordering is swapped for Hex versus Binary.



Fig. 12.9 Write value dialog

12.4.3. SDO Communication

SDO variables are listed in *Box 1* and accessed by entering the *CoE - Online* tab. The variables listed in table form are extensive and some time is needed for them to load. To write to an SDO, double click on a variable in the table to open the *Set Value Dialog* window. Only variables with *Flags RW* (read/write) can be written to. Variables that are *RO* (read-only) or a PDO cannot be written to.

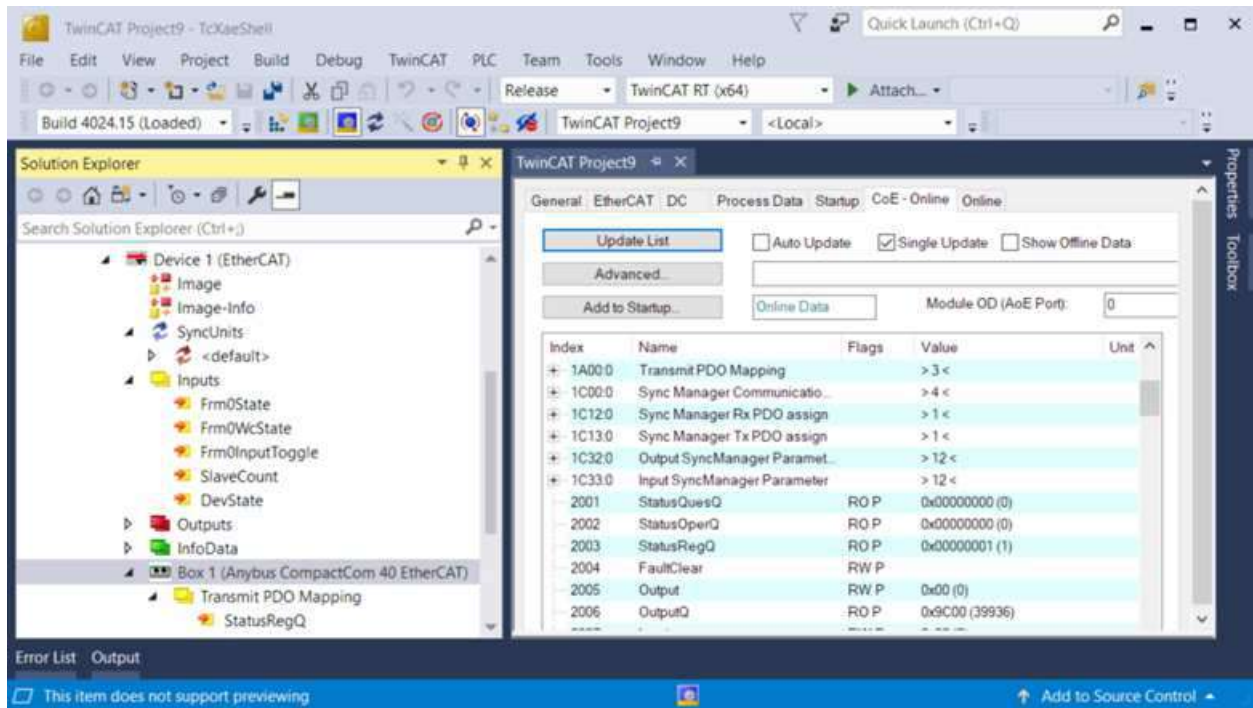


Fig. 12.10 SDO CoE - Online tab

12.5. Standard Object Dictionary

The physical interface to EtherCAT network is performed with an Anybus CompactCom M40 Module installed internal to the ALx Series. The module supports CANopen over EtherCAT and complies with draft specification of CiA 301. The specification calls for services and standard data object implementations outlined in the reference material below. The data objects reside in allocated address space shown in [Data object dictionary](#)

CiA 301

[Network Interface Appendix Anybus CompactCom EtherCAT Doc.Id. HMSI-168-65](#)

Table 12.2 Data object dictionary

| Index | Object |
|---------------|-------------------|
| 0x0000 | Not used |
| 0x0001-0x001F | Static data types |

| Index | Object |
|---------------|--|
| 0x0020-0x003F | Complex data types |
| 0x0040-0x005F | Manufacturer specific complex data types |
| 0x0060-0x007F | Device Profile specific static data types |
| 0x0080-0x009F | Device Profile specific complex data types |
| 0x00A0-0x0FFF | Reserved for further use |
| 0x1000-0x1FFF | Communication profile area |
| 0x2000-0x5FFF | Manufacturer specific profile area |
| 0x6000-0x9FFF | Standardised device profile area |
| 0xA000-0xBFFF | Standardised interface profile area |
| 0xC000-0xFFFF | Reserved for further use |

12.6. Manufacturer Specific Instances Listing

| ECAT Command | Write Index | Read Index | Description |
|-----------------------------|-------------|------------|---|
| Operation Commands | | | |
| StatusQuesQ | N/A | 0x200B | Returns the value of the Questionable Status Register |
| StatusRegQ | N/A | 0x200D | Status Register |
| FaultClear | 0x200E | N/A | Reset soft faults |
| Input | 0x2011 | N/A | Enables or disables the DC input base current |
| Measurement Commands | | | |
| MeasCurrQ | N/A | 0x2101 | Measures and returns the average current |
| MeasVoltQ | N/A | 0x2102 | Measures and returns the average voltage |
| MeasPwrQ | N/A | 0x2103 | Measures and returns the instantaneous power |
| MeasResQ | N/A | 0x2104 | Measures and returns the instantaneous resistance |
| Setpoint Commands | | | |
| SetpointCurr | 0x2201 | 0x2202 | Sets the current set-point |
| SetpointVolt | 0x2203 | 0x2204 | Sets the voltage set-point |
| SetpointPwr | 0x2205 | 0x2206 | Sets the power set-point |
| SetpointRes | 0x2207 | 0x2208 | Sets the resistance set-point |
| Trip Commands | | | |
| OverTripCurr | 0x2301 | 0x2302 | Sets the over current trip (OCT) set-point |

| ECAT Command | Write Index | Read Index | Description |
|------------------------------------|-------------|------------|---|
| OverTripVolt | 0x2303 | 0x2304 | Sets the over voltage trip (OVT) set-point |
| OverTripPwr | 0x2305 | 0x2306 | Sets the over power trip (OPT) set-point |
| UnderTripVolt | 0x2307 | 0x2308 | Sets the under voltage trip (UVT) set-point |
| Slew Commands | | | |
| RiseRampCurr | 0x2401 | 0x2402 | Sets the rising slew rate for current when |
| RiseRampVolt | 0x2403 | 0x2404 | Sets the rising slew rate for voltage when |
| RiseRampPwr | 0x2405 | 0x2406 | Sets the rising slew rate for power when |
| RiseRampRes | 0x2407 | 0x2408 | Sets the rising slew rate for resistance |
| FallRampCurr | 0x2409 | 0x240A | Sets the falling slew rate for current when |
| FallRampVolt | 0x240B | 0x240C | Sets the falling slew rate for voltage when |
| FallRampPwr | 0x240D | 0x240E | Sets the falling slew rate for power when |
| FallRampRes | 0x240F | 0x2410 | Sets the falling slew rate for resistance |
| Control Commands | | | |
| PowerRange | 0x2501 | 0x2502 | Enables extended power range |
| ControlMode | 0x2503 | 0x2504 | Sets the control mode |
| Function Generator Commands | | | |
| FuncType | 0x2601 | 0x2602 | Sets the desired function for the integrator |
| FuncSinAmpl | 0x2603 | 0x2604 | Sets the amplitude for the sinusoid function |
| FuncSinOff | 0x2605 | 0x2606 | Sets the DC offset from zero for the sinusoid function |
| FuncSinPrd | 0x2607 | 0x2608 | Sets the period for the sinusoid function |
| FuncSquLoLevel | 0x2609 | 0x260A | Sets the low level amplitude for the square function |
| FuncSquHiLevel | 0x260B | 0x260C | Sets the high level amplitude for the square function |
| FuncSquLoPrd | 0x260D | 0x260E | Sets the period that the square function is at the low level |
| FuncSquHiPrd | 0x260F | 0x2610 | Sets the period that the square function is at the high level |
| FuncStepLoLevel | 0x2611 | 0x2612 | Sets the low level amplitude for the step function |
| FuncStepHiLevel | 0x2613 | 0x2614 | Sets the high level amplitude for the step function |
| FuncRampLoLevel | 0x2615 | 0x2616 | Sets the low level amplitude for the ramp function |
| FuncRampHiLevel | 0x2617 | 0x2618 | Sets the high level amplitude for the ramp function |
| FuncRampRisePrd | 0x2619 | 0x261A | Sets the period for the ramp function to rise |

| ECAT Command | Write Index | Read Index | Description |
|---------------------------------|-------------|------------|--|
| FuncRampFallPrd | 0x261B | 0x261C | Sets the period for the ramp function to |
| Configuration Commands | | | |
| FactoryRestore | 0x2701 | N/A | Restores the factory EEPROM data |
| Lock | 0x2703 | 0x2702 | Locks and unlocks the product from cc |
| SenseMode | 0x2706 | 0x2707 | Configures the sense location and autc |
| SetSource | 0x270A | 0x270B | Sets the setpoint source |

12.7. Manufacturer Specific Process Data Objects

12.7.1. StatusRegQ

This command queries the Status Register. This read-only register holds the live (unlatched) operation status of the MagnaLOAD electronic load. Issuing a query does not clear the register. The register location and definitions are subject to change after any firmware release to accommodate new features. The Questionable Register is a subset of the status register and does not change between firmware updates. The present bit assignments are shown in the table below.

Access: RO

Data Format: 32-bit Integer

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Status Register

| Bit | Name | Description |
|-----|-----------------|---|
| 0 | standby | output is in standby |
| 1 | live | output is active |
| 2 | nonhalt1 | available |
| 3 | nonhalt2 | available |
| 4 | overCurrTrip | over current trip |
| 5 | overVoltTrip | over voltage trip |
| 6 | overPwrTrip | over power trip |
| 7 | remoteSenseLoss | remote sense voltage outside of acceptable bounds |

| Bit | Name | Description |
|-----|-------------------|---|
| 8 | underVoltTrip | under voltage trip |
| 9 | shutdown | target is creating a shutdown condition |
| 10 | linPwrLim | power across linear modules exceed ratings |
| 11 | resPwrLim | power across resistors exceed ratings |
| 12 | bootFailure | one or multiple target did not boot up |
| 13 | bootState | one or more targets are waiting to boot |
| 14 | phaseCurr | rated phase current exceeded |
| 15 | comm | communications are corrupted |
| 16 | overCurrProtect | terminal current exceeded product rating |
| 17 | overVoltProtect | terminal voltage exceeded product rating |
| 18 | tempRLin | linear module exceeded temperature |
| 19 | blownFuse | fuse is blown on the auxiliary power supply |
| 20 | interlock | interlock open |
| 21 | haltUserClear | available |
| 22 | maintenance | maintenance |
| 23 | tempDMod | diode modules exceeded temperature |
| 24 | invalidProdConfig | invalid product configuration |
| 25 | stackOverflow | exceeded firmware stack |
| 26 | lineFault | line fault analog/digital inputs |
| 27 | tempRMod | resistor module exceeded temperature |
| 28 | belowRatedMinVolt | below minimum voltage rating(28) |
| 29 | outOfRegulation | out of regulation, unexpected currents measured |
| 30 | targetUpgrade | mainctrl upgrading other targets |
| 31 | haltSelfClear | available |
| 32 | constantCurr | regulation state |
| 33 | constantVolt | regulation state |
| 34 | constantRes | regulation state |
| 35 | constantPwr | regulation state |
| 36 | powerRange | operation range |

| Bit | Name | Description |
|------------|------------------|--|
| 37 | remoteSense | sense terminal in use |
| 38 | lock | lock state |
| 39 | extAnlgCtrl | external control through analog inputs |
| 40 | overTemp | temperature fault linear and resistor combined |
| 41 | softTripShutdown | protection trip caused due to soft faults |
| 42 | hardTripShutdown | protection trip caused due to hard faults |
| 43 | notUsed1 | available |
| 44 | notUsed2 | available |
| 45 | notUsed3 | available |
| 46 | notUsed4 | available |
| 47 | notUsed5 | available |
| 48 | notUsed6 | available |
| 49 | notUsed7 | available |
| 50 | notUsed8 | available |
| 51 | notUsed9 | available |
| 52 | notUsed10 | available |
| 53 | notUsed11 | available |
| 54 | notUsed12 | available |
| 55 | notUsed13 | available |
| 56 | notUsed14 | available |
| 57 | notUsed15 | available |
| 58 | notUsed16 | available |
| 59 | notUsed17 | available |
| 60 | notUsed18 | available |
| 61 | notUsed19 | available |
| 62 | notUsed20 | available |
| 63 | notUsed21 | available |

12.7.2. MeasCurrQ

This query commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average current through the DC terminals.

Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.7.3. MeasVoltQ

This query commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average voltage at the DC terminals. If the remote sense function is used and engaged, this command returns the voltage measured at the sense terminals.

Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.7.4. SetpointCurr

This command programs the current set-point that the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant current mode.

Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.7.5. SetpointVolt

This command programs the voltage set-point, in volts, which the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant voltage mode.

Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.8. Manufacturer Specific Service Data Objects

12.8.1. Operation Commands

12.8.1.1. StatusQuesQ

This command queries and returns the values of the Questionable Register. This read-only register holds the live (unlatched) questionable statuses of the MagnaLOAD electronic load. Issuing this query does not clear the register. The bit configuration of the Questionable Register is shown in the table below.

Index: 0x200B
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Integer
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Questionable Register

| Bit | Weight | Abbreviation | Description |
|-----|--------|--------------|---|
| 0 | 1 | OVP | over voltage protection, hard fault |
| 1 | 2 | OCT | over current trip, soft fault |
| 2 | 4 | OVT | over voltage trip, soft fault |
| 3 | 8 | OPT | over power trip, soft fault |
| 4 | 16 | OCP | over current protection, hard fault |
| 5 | 32 | OTP | over temperature protection, hard fault |
| 6 | 64 | RSL | remote sense loss, hard fault |
| 7 | 128 | CC | constant current regulation, regulation status |
| 8 | 256 | CV | constant voltage regulation, regulation status |
| 9 | 512 | CR | constant resistance regulation, regulation status |
| 10 | 1024 | CP | constant power regulation, regulation status |
| 11 | 2048 | SFLT | soft fault, the ord value of all soft faults |
| 12 | 4096 | HFLT | hard fault, the ord value of all hard faults |

12.8.1.2. StatusRegQ

This command queries the Status Register. This read-only register holds the live (unlatched) operation status of the MagnaLOAD electronic load. Issuing a query does not clear the register. The register location and definitions are subject to change after any firmware release to accommodate new features. The Questionable Register is a subset of the status register and does not change between firmware updates. The present bit assignments are shown in the table below.

Index: 0x200D
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Integer
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Status Register

| Bit | Name | Description |
|-----|-----------------|---|
| 0 | standby | output is in standby |
| 1 | live | output is active |
| 2 | nonhalt1 | available |
| 3 | nonhalt2 | available |
| 4 | overCurrTrip | over current trip |
| 5 | overVoltTrip | over voltage trip |
| 6 | overPwrTrip | over power trip |
| 7 | remoteSenseLoss | remote sense voltage outside of acceptable bounds |
| 8 | underVoltTrip | under voltage trip |
| 9 | shutdown | target is creating a shutdown condition |
| 10 | linPwrLim | power across linear modules exceed ratings |
| 11 | resPwrLim | power across resistors exceed ratings |
| 12 | bootFailure | one or multiple target did not boot up |
| 13 | bootState | one or more targets are waiting to boot |
| 14 | phaseCurr | rated phase current exceeded |
| 15 | comm | communications are corrupted |
| 16 | overCurrProtect | terminal current exceeded product rating |
| 17 | overVoltProtect | terminal voltage exceeded product rating |

| Bit | Name | Description |
|------------|-------------------|---|
| 18 | tempRLin | linear module exceeded temperature |
| 19 | blownFuse | fuse is blown on the auxiliary power supply |
| 20 | interlock | interlock open |
| 21 | haltUserClear | available |
| 22 | maintenance | maintenance |
| 23 | tempDMod | diode modules exceeded temperature |
| 24 | invalidProdConfig | invalid product configuration |
| 25 | stackOverflow | exceeded firmware stack |
| 26 | lineFault | line fault analog/digital inputs |
| 27 | tempRMod | resistor module exceeded temperature |
| 28 | belowRatedMinVolt | below minimum voltage rating(28) |
| 29 | outOfRegulation | out of regulation, unexpected currents measured |
| 30 | targetUpgrade | mainctrl upgrading other targets |
| 31 | haltSelfClear | available |
| 32 | constantCurr | regulation state |
| 33 | constantVolt | regulation state |
| 34 | constantRes | regulation state |
| 35 | constantPwr | regulation state |
| 36 | powerRange | operation range |
| 37 | remoteSense | sense terminal in use |
| 38 | lock | lock state |
| 39 | extAnlgCtrl | external control through analog inputs |
| 40 | overTemp | temperature fault linear and resistor combined |
| 41 | softTripShutdown | protection trip caused due to soft faults |
| 42 | hardTripShutdown | protection trip caused due to hard faults |
| 43 | notUsed1 | available |
| 44 | notUsed2 | available |
| 45 | notUsed3 | available |
| 46 | notUsed4 | available |

| Bit | Name | Description |
|-----|-----------|-------------|
| 47 | notUsed5 | available |
| 48 | notUsed6 | available |
| 49 | notUsed7 | available |
| 50 | notUsed8 | available |
| 51 | notUsed9 | available |
| 52 | notUsed10 | available |
| 53 | notUsed11 | available |
| 54 | notUsed12 | available |
| 55 | notUsed13 | available |
| 56 | notUsed14 | available |
| 57 | notUsed15 | available |
| 58 | notUsed16 | available |
| 59 | notUsed17 | available |
| 60 | notUsed18 | available |
| 61 | notUsed19 | available |
| 62 | notUsed20 | available |
| 63 | notUsed21 | available |

12.8.1.3. FaultClear

This command removes the latch that disables the input when a fault condition is detected, as further detailed in [Clear Command](#) documentation. All conditions that generate the fault must be resolved before the latch can be cleared. Once the fault has been cleared, the input can be re-enabled with the `ecat-input-start` command.

Index: 0x200E

Access: RW

Data Format: Boolean

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.8.1.4. Input

This command enables or disables the MagnaLOAD electronic load input. The state of a disabled input is a high impedance condition.

Index: 0x2011
Access: RW
Data Format: Boolean
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

12.8.2. Measurement Commands

12.8.2.1. MeasCurrQ

This query commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average current through the DC terminals.

Index: 0x2101
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.8.2.2. MeasVoltQ

This query commands commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average voltage at the DC terminals. If the remote sense function is used and engaged, this command returns the voltage measured at the sense terminals.

Index: 0x2102
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.8.2.3. MeasPwrQ

This query commands commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average power at the DC terminals.

Index: 0x2103

Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.8.2.4. MeasResQ

This query commands commands the MagnaLOAD electronic load to measure and return the average power at the DC terminals.

Index: 0x2104
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

12.8.3. Setpoint Commands

12.8.3.1. SetpointCurr

This command programs the current set-point that the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant current mode.

Index: 0x2201
Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Index: 0x2202
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.8.3.2. SetpointVolt

This command programs the voltage set-point, in volts, which the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant voltage mode.

Index: 0x2203

Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Index: 0x2204
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.8.3.3. SetpointPwr

This command programs the power set-point, in watts, which the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant power mode.

Index: 0x2205
Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC
Index: 0x2206
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.8.3.4. SetpointRes

This command programs the resistance set-point, in ohms, which the MagnaLOAD electronic load will regulate to when operating in constant resistance mode.

Index: 0x2207
Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Index: 0x2208
Access: RO

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

12.8.4. Trip Commands

12.8.4.1. OverTripCurr

This command programs the over current trip (OCT) set-point. If the input current exceeds the over current trip set-point for multiple samples, the input is disconnected and an OCT fault is indicated.

Index: 0x2301

Access: RW

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Index: 0x2302

Access: RO

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.8.4.2. OverTripVolt

This command programs the over voltage trip (OVT) set-point. If the input voltage exceeds the over voltage trip set-point for multiple samples, the input is disconnected and an OVT fault is indicated.

Index: 0x2303

Access: RW

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Index: 0x2304

Access: RO

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.8.4.3. OverTripPwr

This command programs the over power trip (OPT) set-point. If the input power exceeds the over power trip set-point for multiple sample, the input is disconnected and an OPT fault is indicated.

| | |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Index: | 0x2305 |
| Access: | RW |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |
| Index: | 0x2306 |
| Access: | RO |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |

12.8.4.4. UnderTripVolt

This command programs the under voltage trip (UVT) set-point. If the input voltage falls below the under voltage trip set-point for multiple samples, the input is disconnected and an UVT fault is indicated.

| | |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Index: | 0x2307 |
| Access: | RW |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |
| Index: | 0x2308 |
| Access: | RO |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |

12.8.5. Slew Commands

12.8.5.1. RiseRampCurr

This command sets the current slew rate for increasing current transitions while in constant current regulation. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Index: 0x2401
Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Index: 0x2402
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.8.5.2. RiseRampVolt

This command sets the voltage slew rate for increasing voltage transitions while in constant voltage regulation. The units for voltage slew rate are volts per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Index: 0x2403
Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Index: 0x2404
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.8.5.3. RiseRampPwr

This command sets the power slew rate for increasing power transitions while in constant power regulation. The units for power slew rate are watts per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Index: 0x2405
Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Index: 0x2406
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.8.5.4. RiseRampRes

This command sets the resistance slew rate for increasing resistance transitions while in constant resistance regulation. The units for resistance slew rate are ohms per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Index: 0x2407
Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Index: 0x2408
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

12.8.5.5. FallRampCurr

This command sets the current slew rate for decreasing current transitions while in constant current regulation. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Index: 0x2409
Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Index: 0x240A
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.8.5.6. FallRampVolt

This command sets the voltage slew rate for decreasing voltage transitions while in constant voltage regulation. The units for voltage slew rate are volts per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Index: 0x240B
Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Index: 0x240C
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.8.5.7. FallRampPwr

This command sets the power slew rate for decreasing power transitions while in constant power regulation. The units for power slew rate are watts per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Index: 0x240D
Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

Index: 0x240E
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.8.5.8. FallRampRes

This command sets the resistance slew rate for decreasing resistance transitions while in constant resistance regulation. The units for resistance slew rate are ohms per millisecond. MAXimum sets the slew to the fastest possible rate. MINimum sets the slew to the slowest rate. Slew rates less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings less than the minimum value are set to MINimum. Slew rate settings greater than the maximum value are set to MAXimum.

Index: 0x240F
Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Index: 0x2410
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

12.8.6. Control Commands

12.8.6.1. PowerRange

This command activates a programmable series resistance and is available only in ARx and WRx models. When enabled, power dissipation is shared across series resistors and linear devices allowing the product to reach higher power levels.

| | |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Index: | 0x2501 |
| Access: | RW |
| Data Format: | Boolean |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |
| Index: | 0x2502 |
| Access: | RO |
| Data Format: | Boolean |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |

12.8.6.2. ControlMode

This command configures the MagnaLOAD electronic load's control mode. [Control Modes](#) provides more information about the various options.

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Index: | 0x2503 |
| Access: | RW |
| Data Format: | 16-bit Integer |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |
| Index: | 0x2504 |
| Access: | RO |
| Data Format: | 16-bit Integer |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |

12.8.7. Function Generator Commands

12.8.7.1. FuncType

This command selects the desired function for the integrated function generator, which is active when the product's set point source is set to function generator.

| | |
|----------------|--------|
| Index: | 0x2601 |
| Access: | RW |

Data Format: 16-bit Integer

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Index: 0x2602

Access: RO

Data Format: 16-bit Integer

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

12.8.7.2. FuncSinAmpl

This command sets the amplitude (Adc) for the sinusoid function when the set point source is set to 1 (function generator) and the function type is set to 0 (sinusoid).

Index: 0x2603

Access: RW

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Index: 0x2604

Access: RO

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

12.8.7.3. FuncSinOff

This command sets the DC offset from zero (Adc) for the sinusoid function midline when the set point source is set to 1 (function generator) and the function type is set to 0 (sinusoid).

Index: 0x2605

Access: RW

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Index: 0x2606

Access: RO

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

12.8.7.4. FuncSinPrd

This command sets the period (milliseconds) for the sinusoid function when the set point source is set to 1 (function generator) and the function type is set to 0 (sinusoid). The sinusoid's period is the length of one full cycle.

Index: 0x2607

Access: RW

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Index: 0x2608

Access: RO

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

12.8.7.5. FuncSquLoLevel

This command sets the low level amplitude for the square function when the set point source is set to 1 (function generator) and the function type is set to 1 (square).

Index: 0x2609

Access: RW

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Index: 0x260A

Access: RO

Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number

Product Family: MagnaLOAD

12.8.7.6. FuncSquHiLevel

This command sets the high level amplitude for the square function when the set point source is set to 1 (function generator) and the function type is set to 1 (square).

Index: 0x260B
Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Index: 0x260C
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

12.8.7.7. FuncSquLoPrd

This command sets the period/duration (milliseconds) that the square function remains at the low level amplitude when the set point source is set to 1 (function generator) and the function type is set to 1 (square).

Index: 0x260D
Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Index: 0x260E
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

12.8.7.8. FuncSquHiPrd

This command sets the period/duration (milliseconds) that the square function remains at the low level amplitude when the set point source is set to 1 (function generator) and the function type is set to 1 (square).

Index: 0x260F
Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Index: 0x2610
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

12.8.7.9. FuncStepLoLevel

This command sets the low level amplitude for the step function when the set point source is set to 1 (function generator) and the function type is set to 2 (step).

Index: 0x2611
Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Index: 0x2612
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

12.8.7.10. FuncStepHiLevel

This command sets the high level amplitude for the step function when the set point source is set to 1 (function generator) and the function type is set to 2 (step).

Index: 0x2613
Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

Index: 0x2614
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

12.8.7.11. FuncRampLoLevel

This command sets the low level amplitude for the ramp function when the set point source is set to 1 (function generator) and the function type is set to 3 (ramp).

| | |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Index: | 0x2615 |
| Access: | RW |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |
| Index: | 0x2616 |
| Access: | RO |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |

12.8.7.12. FuncRampHiLevel

This command sets the high level amplitude for the ramp function when the set point source is set to 1 (function generator) and the function type is set to 3 (ramp).

| | |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Index: | 0x2617 |
| Access: | RW |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |
| Index: | 0x2618 |
| Access: | RO |
| Data Format: | 32-bit Floating Point Number |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD |

12.8.7.13. FuncRampRisePrd

This command sets the period/duration (milliseconds) for the ramp function to transition from the low level amplitude to the high level amplitude when the set point source is set to 1 (function generator) and the function type is set to 3 (ramp).

| | |
|---------------|--------|
| Index: | 0x2619 |
|---------------|--------|

Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Index: 0x261A
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

12.8.7.14. FuncRampFallPrd

This command sets the period/duration (milliseconds) for the ramp function to transition from the high level amplitude to the low level amplitude when the set point source is set to 1 (function generator) and the function type is set to 3 (ramp).

Index: 0x261B
Access: RW
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD
Index: 0x261C
Access: RO
Data Format: 32-bit Floating Point Number
Product Family: MagnaLOAD

12.8.8. Configuration Commands

12.8.8.1. FactoryRestore

This command performs a factory restore to default EPROM values. Both Soft Restore and Hard Restore are available through command parameters.

Index: 0x2701
Access: RW
Data Format: 16-bit Integer
Product Family: MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC

12.8.8.2. Lock

This command configures the MagnaLOAD electronic load's lock state. While locked, the stop button is the only functional button on the front panel. See protect-lock for more details on how lock works and how behaves relative to other locking inputs (front panel and digital input).

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Index: | 0x2703 |
| Access: | RW |
| Data Format: | Boolean |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |
| Index: | 0x2702 |
| Access: | RO |
| Data Format: | Boolean |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |

12.8.8.3. SenseMode

This command configures where the MagnaLOAD electronic load senses voltage. The sense location also effects how power and resistance are calculated. Local sensing monitors the directly across the output terminals. Remote sensing, as described in remote-sense, measures across the terminal JS2. This external connection can be used to improve regulation at the point of load, as is needed for example, in compensating voltage drops caused by wire resistance.

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Index: | 0x2706 |
| Access: | RW |
| Data Format: | 16-bit Integer |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |
| Index: | 0x2707 |
| Access: | RO |
| Data Format: | 16-bit Integer |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |

12.8.8.4. SetSource

The command selects and routes different set points sources to the digital controller. Operation of this feature is described in [Set Point Source](#). By default, the source is set to *local* (value 0), where set points originating from the front panel or communication interfaces are routed to the ALx Series digital control. When the source is set to *function generator* (value 1), set points are generated internally, by a periodic function generator block. When *external analog input* (value 3) is set, the voltage(s) applied to the rear connector are converted into set points.

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Index: | 0x270A |
| Access: | RW |
| Data Format: | 16-bit Integer |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |
| Index: | 0x270B |
| Access: | RO |
| Data Format: | 16-bit Integer |
| Product Family: | MagnaLOAD, MagnaDC |