

**Network Controller** 

# **ROBO NET**





# Greatly reduces time and effort of wiring and installation

RoboNet is a new type of controller unit that can freely operate robot cylinders via a field network. This makes it possible to greatly reduce the time and effort of wiring installation compared to conventional controllers by reducing wiring, making the controller smaller, and using DIN rail installation.





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# Newly Developed Network Controller **ROBO NET**Arrives!

# The robot can be moved by directly specifying numeric values for the move position/velocity/ acceleration and other data.

Besides the conventional method of moving the robot to pre-taught positions it is also possible to operate the robot by sending information as a string of numeric data that contains position, velocity, acceleration, etc. values. This is effective for cases such as when the move position changes with each piece or when one wants to move the robot to an arbitrary position.

	ROBONET	Standard controller
Position specification movement	0	0
Direct numeric value specification movement	0	٨
Velocity/acceleration specification	0	(Not possible with PIO)
Current value output	0	(Possible with serial communications)

\* RoboNet operates via the field network; the standard controller operates with PIO.

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### Ultra-compact

Each unit is an ultra-compact size of 34mm wide by 100mm high x 73 mm deep. Also, since there is no base unit and the main unit is coupled with connectors, the controller takes up little space for installation even if there are many units.



### Can operate up to 16 axes

Up to 16 controller units can be connected to one communications unit (GatewayR unit).

One can also freely mix and connect RACON units (RCA controllers) and RPCON units (RCP2 controllers).



Simple absolute specifications that do not require a return to home position

The simple absolute R unit makes it possible to operate incremental specification axes without returning to the home position. By mounting a simple absolute R unit on a RACON unit (RCA controller)/RPCON unit (RCP2 controller), the actuator encoder data is backed up even if the power is cut off.



# DIN rail installation

The controller is installed with DIN rails, so it can be fastened and removed with one touch.





# Component unit/ordering method explanation

For RoboNet, you order the required units individually and use them together freely. Even if you want to add actuators later, you can do so simply by ordering additional RACON/RPCON units.



#### User's manual

The RoboNet user's manual comes with the RoboNet not as a printed document, but as a CD-ROM. You can also download the user's manual from our homepage.

Unit name	Contents	See Page _
Gateway R unit	This unit is for connection to the field network. There are four types to select from: DeviceNet/CC-Link/ProfiBus/SIO. * This unit is a required unit for using RoboNet.	P5 P6
RACON unit	This is the controller unit for operating an RCA actuator. (Each actuator axis requires one unit.) The standard specifications are the incremental specifications, but this unit can be used with the simple absolute specifications by just combining with a simple absolute R unit.	P7
RPCON unit	This is the controller unit for operating an RCP2 actuator. (Each actuator axis requires one unit.) The standard specifications are the incremental specifications, but this unit can be used with the simple absolute specifications by just combining with a simple absolute R unit.	P7
Simple absolute R unit	This is the backup battery unit for holding the actuator encoder data when the power is switched Off.	P8

#### Order method RoboNet is used by ordering the necessary units one by one and using them together. This means you can add or change units afterwards.

(Order example) Operating the two actuator axes below via CC-Link The models for operating with absolute specifications are as follows.







# **Operating mode explanation**

RoboNet operates under instructions received from the PLC via the field network. It can be used switching among the following three operating modes. Use the operating mode that best suits the device operation details and control method.

	Name	Contents					
1	Positioner mode	This mode operates by specifying the position number. The position data, velocity, acceleration, etc. are input for each position ahead of time. Up to 768 positions can be registered.					
2	Simple direct value mode	This mode operates by directly specifying only the position data and specifying other of - velocity, acceleration, position width, electrical current limit for pressing – with the p Up to 768 positions can be registered.					
3	Direct numeric value specification	This mode operates by directly specifying the numeric values for the position data, velocity, acceleration, position width, and electrical current limit for pressing. There is no limit on the number of position points that can be specified numerically.					

# List of Functions by Operating Mode

	Positioner mode Simple direct value mode		Direct numeric value specification
Number of positions registered	768 points	768 points	
Movement by specifying position number	0	0	×
Direct specification of position data	×	0	0
Direct specification of velocity and acceleration	X (Specified with position table)	$X_{(Specified with position table)}$	0
Direct specification of positioning width	X (Specified with position table)	$X_{(Specified with position table)}$	0
Pressing operation	O (Specified with position table)	O (Specified with position table)	0
Completion position number monitor	0	0	×
Zone output monitor	0	0	0
Position zone output monitor	0	0	×
Teaching functions	0	×	×
Jog operations	0	0	0
Incremental moves	0	0	0
Status signal monitor (*)	0	0	0
Current position monitor (*)	0	0	0
Alarm code monitor (*)	0	0	0
Velocity and electric current monitor (*)	×	×	0
Maximum value for specification of position data	9999.99mm	9999.99mm	9999.99mm
Number of axes that can be connected	16	16	8

\* The status signal monitor, current position monitor, alarm code monitor, and velocity and electric current monitor can monitor by accessing each address of the GatewayR unit from the PLC.



# Component unit explanation

# GatewayR unit (DeviceNet specifications)

Specifications





#### Specifications Item ltem Specifications Total branch line length Maximum network length Maximum bran line length mmunicati DC24V ±10% ower supply speed 39m DeviceNet specifications 500kbps 100m Current consumption 600 mA max. ommunica 250m 6m 78m 250kbps Uses DeviceNet 2.0 certified interface module Cable length (※1) Communica DeviceNet specifications 156m Group 2 only server 125kbps 500m standard Note: When thick DeviceNet cable is used Insulated node operating with network power supply Number of Bit strobe 1 node nodes occupied Comm Master-satellite Usage ambient Usage ambient 0~40°C Polling specifications Connection Cyclic 95% RH max. (no condensation allowed) Usage atmosphere Communicati 500k/250k/125kbps (switched with dedicated software) There must be no corrosive gas, combustible gas, oil mist, or dust. speed I P20 \* 1 For T branch communications, refer to the user's manuals for the master unit and for the PLC used. 140g Weight Terminal resistance board (Model TN-1) Network connector/emergency stop connector Accessories

#### Network connector

Gateway side connector MSTBA2.5 / 5-G-5.08 ABG (Made by Phoenix Contac

Cable side connector MSTB2.5/5-ST-5.08 ABGY A (Made by Phoenix Contac = Standard accessory

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AU t)	Black Blue White Red

Pin colors	Explanation			
Black	Power cable - side			
Blue	Communications data Low side			
-	Shield			
White	Communications data High side			
Red	Power cable + side			

#### Compatible wire for cable side connector

ltem	Contents			
Compatible wire diameter	Braided wire AWG24-12 (0.2~2.5 mm2)			
Peeled wire length	7mm			

# GatewayR unit CC-Link specifications



# This is the communications unit for operating RoboNet via CC-Link.

Model RGW-CC Specifications

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	Item	Specifications Item		Specifications						
Pow	er supply	DC24V ±10%		Error control technique	CRC $(X^{16}+X^{12}+X^{5}+1)$					
Curr	ent consumption	600 mA max.	Number of stations occupied		Remote device stations 1x 4 stations, 4x 2 stations, 8x 2 stations					
	Communications standard	CC-Link Ver2.0 (※1)	specit	Communications cable length (※2)	Communications speed (bps)	10M	5M	2.5M	625k	156k
su	Communications speed	10M/5M/2.5M/625k/156kbps (switched with dedicated software)	C-Link		Total cable length (m)	100	160	400	900	1200
ficatio	Communications technique	Broadcast polling technique	0	Communication cable	Special CC-Link cable					
specif	Synchronization technique	Frame synchronization technique	ntal ns	Usage ambient temperature	ure 0~40°C					
C-Link	Encoding technique	NRZI	onme	Usage ambient humidity	95% RH max. (no condensation allowed)					
10	Transmission path format	Bus format (complies with EIA RS485)	Envin	Usage atmosphere	There must be no corrosive gas, combustible gas, oil mist, or dust.					
Transmission format Complies with HDLC			Protection rank		IP20					
*1 6	*1 Certification acquired			eight	140g					
*2 For T branch communications, refer to the user's manuals for the master unit and for the PLC used.			Accessories		Terminal resistan Network connect Terminal resistan	ice board tor/emerg ice cable (	(Model Ti Jency stoj (110Ω/13	N-1) p connecti 0Ω)	Dr	

#### Network connector

Gateway side connector Cable side connector MSTBA2.5/5-G-5.08AU MSTB2.5/5-ST-5.08 ABGY AU (Made by Phoenix Contact) (Made by Phoenix Contact) = Standard accessory



Signal name	Explanation				
DA	Communications line A				
DB	Communications line B				
DG	Ground				
SLD	Connect the shield and cable shield to the frame ground and chassis.				
FG	Connect the frame ground to the shield and the chassis				

#### Compatible wire for cable side connector

Item	Contents
Compatible	Braided wire
wire diameter	AWG24-12 (0.2~2.5 mm <sup>2</sup> )
Peeled wire length	7mm





# GatewayR unit (ProfiBus specifications)



This is the communications unit for operating RoboNet via ProfiBus. Model RGW-PR

#### Specifications

	ltem	Specifications		Item		Specifications	
Pow	Power supply DC24V ±10%		ntal ns	Usage ambient temperature	0~40°C		
Curr	ent consumption	600 mA max.			Usage ambient humidity	95% RH max. (no condensation allowed)	
	Communications standard	DP satellite		Envir	Usage atmosphere	There must be no corrosive gas, combustible gas, oil mist, or dust.	
ions	Communications speed	9.6kbps~12Mbps		Protection rank		IP20	
cificat	Communications cable length	9.6kbps	1500m	We	eight	140g	
ns spe		500kbps	400m	Accessories		Terminal resistance board (Model TN-1) Emergency stop connector	
ProfiB		1.5Mbps	200m				
-		3Mbps	200m				
		12Mbps	100m				

#### Network connector

Gateway side connector: 5 1 D-Sub 9-pin connector Socket side Ô (\*\*\*\*) Ô



Pin No.	Signal name	Explanation	Pin No.	Signal name	Explanation
3	B-Line	Communications line B (RS485)	6	+5V	+5V output (insulated)
4	RTS	Request to send	8	A-Line	Communications line A (RS485)
5	GND	Signal ground (insulated)	Housing	Shield	The cable shield is connected with the chassis.

\* The partner side connector (D-sub 9-pin connector) does not come as an accessory.

\* Pins 1, 2, 7, and 9 are not connected.

# **GatewayR unit SIO specifications**

SG SB SA

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This is the communications unit for operating RoboNet with serial communications from an XSEL controller (\*1) or Modbus communications unit.

\*1 A unit with XSEL Gateway functions is scheduled for release soon.



Model RGW-SIO Specifications

	Item	Specifications	ltem		Specifications	
	Power supply	DC24V ±10%		Usage ambient temperature	0~40°C	
	Current consumption	600 mA max.	menta	Usage ambient humidity	95% RH max. (no condensation allowed)	
ation	Communications format	RS485 compliant (Modbus protocol) 1:1 communication connection	viron	Usage atmosphere	There must be no corrosive gas, combustible gas, oil mist, or dust.	
pecific	Communications technique	Stop-start system Half duplex	5	Protection rank	IP20	
SI0 s	Communications speed	230.4 kbps max.		ght	140g	
	Cable length	100 m max.	Acc	essories	Terminal resistance board (Model TN-1) Network connector/emergency stop connector	
	Recommended cable	2-pair twisted pair cable (with shield)			neeron connector, energency stop connector	

#### **Network connector**

Gateway side connector			
MC1.5/4-G-3.5		5국	5-
(Made by Phoenix Contact)		8	8
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Cable side connector:	_		

FG MC1.5/4-ST-3.5 (Made by Phoenix Contact) = Standard accessory

Signal name	Explar	nation			
SA	Communications line A (+ side)	RS485 compliant			
SB	Communications line B (- side)	board (220 Ω) built in			
SG	Signal ground The frame ground is connected with the chass				
FG					

#### Compatible wire for cable side connector

ltem	Contents					
Compatible	Braided wire					
wire diameter	AWG28-16 (0.14~1.5 mm <sup>2</sup> )					
Peeled wire length	7mm					

# Component unit explanation

# **RACON unit RCA series controller**



This is the controller unit for operating an RCA actuator with RoboNet.

Controller model	Supported actuators					
RACON-20	RCA-SA4□ / SS4□ / SA5□ / SS5□ / RA4□-20 / RG□4□-20 / A4R / A5R RCACR-SA4C / SA5□ RCAW-RA4□-20					
RACON-20S	RCA-RA3□ / RG□3□ RCAW-RA3□					
RACON-30	RCA-SA6□ / SS6□ / RA4□-30 / RG□4□-30 / A6R RCACR-SA6□ RCAW-RA4□-30					

#### Specifications

	Item		Specifications		ltem	Specifications
		Power supply	DC24V ±10%	a	Usage ambient temperature	0~50°C
		Power supply capacity	5.1 A max. (depends on actuator)	ment	Usage ambient humidity	95% RH max. (no condensation allowed)
tions	tions	Operating actuator	RCA series	viron	Usage atmosphere	There must be no corrosive gas, combustible gas, oil mist, or dust.
	cifica	Number of positioning points	768 points	5 9	Protection rank	IP20
	spec	Backup memory	EEPROM	We	ight	200g
	neral	Position detection technique	Incremental encoder			RoboNet communication connection board
	g	Electromagnetic brake forced release	Brake release switch	Acc	essories	Power supply connection board (PP-1 mode
		Motor cable	Model CB-ACS-MA			
		Encoder cable	Model CB-ACS-PA			

# **RPCON unit RCP2 series controller**



This is the controller unit for operating an RCP2 actuator with RoboNet.

Controller model	Supported actuators					
RPCON-20P	RCP2-RA2C / GRS					
RPCON-28P	RCP2-GRM / GR3LS / GR3SS / RTB / RTC					
RPCON-28SP	RCP2-RA3C / RGD3C					
RPCON-42P	RCP2-SA5□ / SA6□ / SS7□ / BA6□ / BA7□ / RA4C / RG□4C /GR3LM / GR3SM RCP2CR-SA5C / SA6C / SS7C RCP2W-RA4C					
RPCON-56P	RCP2-SA7□ / SS8□ / RA6C / RG□6C / RCP2CR-SA7C / SS8C RCP2W-RA6C					

\* This controller can also operate an old-type RCP2 actuator. (Please inquire for details.)

### Specifications

	ltem	Specifications		Item	Specifications
cifications	Power supply	DC24V ±10%		Usage ambient temperature	0~50°C
	Power supply capacity	2 A max.	Environment conditions	Usage ambient humidity	95% RH max. (no condensation allowed)
	Operating actuator	RCP2 series		Usage atmosphere	There must be no corrosive gas, combustible gas, oil mist, or dust.
	Number of positioning points	768 points		Protection rank	IP20
spe	Backup memory	EEPROM		ight	200g
nera	Position detection technique	Incremental encoder			RoboNet communication connection board
Ge	Electromagnetic brake forced release	Brake release switch	Aco	cessories	Power supply connection board (PP-1 model)
	Motor cable	Model CB-RCP2-MA			
	Encoder cable	Model CB-RCP2-PA			





# Simple absolute R unit



This is a data backup battery unit that is connected to a RACON/RCPON unit to allow incremental specifications actuators to be used as absolute specifications actuators. \*1 One simple absolute R unit is required for each RACON/RPCON unit.

Model **RABU** (Common to RACON/RPCON)

Specifications

	ltem		Specific	ations		ltem		Specifications
	Power supply	DC24V ±10%				tal	Usage ambient temperature	0~40°C
s	Current consumption	300 mA max.				men	Usage ambient humidity	95% RH max. (no condensation allowed)
atior	Battery used	Nickel metal hydride battery (Ni-MH)					Usage atmosphere	There must be no corrosive gas, combustible gas, oil mist, or dust.
ecific	Charge time	About 78 hours				<u></u> 2 2	Protection rank	1P20
al spi	Battery life	3 years				We	ight	330g
Gener	Can store absolute data Maximum rotation rate (rpm)	800	400	200	100	Aco	essories	RoboNet communication connection board (JB-1 model) Simple absolute specifications connection
	Absolute data storage time (h)	120	240	360	480	1		Power supply connection board (PP-1 model)

# **External dimensions diagram**

GatewayR unit/RACON unit/RPCON unit/simple absolute R unit all share the same external dimensions.







#### PC software (for Windows only)

Features This is startup support software equipped with program/position input, test run, monitor, and other functions. It increases functions required for debugging operations and contributes to shortening the start-up time.

■ Model RCM-101-MW (with external device communications cable + RS232 converter unit)



■ Model RCM-101-USB (with external device communications cable + USB cable)

Configuration









#### 24 VDC power supply

#### Features

This is a 24V power supply for a robocylinder that output an instantaneous maximum of 17 A. Since power supply parallel operation is possible, if one power supply unit has insufficient capacity, up to five units can be added.

Model
PS-241
(100V input specifications)

#### PS-242

(200V input specifications)

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#### Relationship between actuator and power supply current

				PS-24 Number of units that can be connected per uni		
Control type	Actuator type	Power curre	supply nt [A]	When the servos come On for all axes at the same time *	When the servos does not come On for all axes at the same time *	
RPCON PCON PSEL	RCP2 all models (*)	Rated (=maximum)	2	8	8	
	5A4 5A5 (20MI)	Rated	1.3	2	6	
	SA4, SA5 (20W)	Maximum	4.4	3		
	CAC (2014)	Rated	1.3	4	c	
DLOON	SA6 (30W)	Maximum	4	4	0	
ACON	DA2 (2011)	Rated	1.7	2	F	
ASEL	RAS (2000)	Maximum	5.1		5	
	DA4 (2014)	Rated	1.3	2	6	
	RA4 (20W)	Maximum	4.4	3	0	
	DA4 (20W/)	Rated	1.3		6	
	RM4 (SUW)	Maximum	4	4	0	



\* This indicates the first servo to come On after the power is switched on. Note: Except HS8C, HS8R, or RAIOC



When it is necessary to make arrangements for a replacement cable or the like after product purchase, find the model below.



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 Drain
 Drain

 Housing: XMP-18V (JST)
 Contact: BXA-001T-P0.6
 Drain
 Drain

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