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Conformance Test Policy for the Modbus/TCP Conformance Test Laboratory

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1. Summary

1.1. The following are the tests the Laboratory will use when testing a Modbus/TCP device. At this time, a complete conformance test consists of a Protocol Test as well as an Interoperability Test. The Protocol Test consists of checking TCP connectivity by sending a `PING` request, checking the most common Modbus function codes, and the SEMI Object Messaging function. The Interoperability Test consists of placing the Device Under Test on the Laboratory's loaded network and checking for proper behavior. If the Device Under Test passes each Pass Criteria, it is a Conformant Device for the current test revision.

2. Purpose of Conformance Testing

2.1. The goal of conformance testing is to promote and facilitate interoperability among devices from multiple vendors. Customers will benefit from the many possibilities of this versatile and open protocol only when they can be assured that devices from any vendor will work together efficiently and without conflict.

2.2. The purpose of this revision is to verify that a device is properly framing the most common Modbus/TCP function codes. The specific data returned by a response is not checked, however the length of the message as well as the location and information in non-data fields are analyzed for conformance. The Laboratory will develop tests for the other aspects of the specifications, including message data and exception codes, for later revisions of this document.

3. References

These documents are available through the Laboratory Website [1].

[1] The University of Michigan Modbus/TCP Conformance Test Laboratory Website – http://www.eecs.umich.edu/~modbus
[2] PI-MBUS-300 Rev. J – Modicon Modbus Protocol Reference Guide (June 1996)
[3] Open Modbus/TCP Specification Version 1.0 (29 March 1999)
[4] Object Messaging Specification for the Modbus/TCP Protocol Version 1.0 (6 April 1999)

4. Conventions

4.1. Unless otherwise noted, all numbers are in hexadecimal.

4.2. In specifying byte values, "XX" denotes that the case-specific value should be inserted.

5. Definitions

5.1. BOOTP – BOOTstrap Protocol. A protocol used by devices to obtain their IP address from the server when they power-up. The server has a table of network addresses corresponding to IP addresses that is created by the network administrator.

5.2. DUT – Device Under Test. The device being tested for conformance.

5.3. IP Address – Internet Protocol Address. This is the 32-bit address assigned to a device. All IP addresses on a network are unique.

5.4. PLC – Programmable Logic Controller. A device used for reading and writing to devices, running programs, and otherwise managing a network.

5.5. STP – Shielded Twisted-Pair. Cabling used for Ethernet, where strands of wire are twisted together and are shielded either individually or in pairs.

6. Test Preparation

6.1. The DUT must either have its own power supply or be compatible with the power supplies available at the Laboratory. Check the Laboratory's Network Description (see [1]).

6.2. The DUT must also have an IP address. The method used for assigning this address must be specified in the documentation provided with the DUT. The following is a description of acceptable methods.

6.3. *Methods of Assigning IP Addresses*

6.3.1. The Laboratory has a BOOTP server in the PLC. A table entry for the DUT can be created and the DUT can get its IP address via a BOOTP request at start-up. If this method is used, the vendor must provide the MAC Address of the DUT.

6.3.2. The vendor may preset the IP address. In this case, the IP address assigned to the device must be in the documentation provided with the DUT. The preferred IP for use on the Laboratory network for a DUT is 192.168.1.100.

6.3.3. The DUT may have other software or hardware methods for setting the IP address. These must be clearly documented in the DUT documentation.

6.4. If a device has a Unit Identifier other than 0, it must also be specified.

6.5. The DUT documentation must also specify whether the DUT supports function code 0x5B or its Alternate Encoding method.

6.6. The vendor must provide the number of registers in the DUT, as well as the maximum number of registers that can be read in a single Function Code 0x03 request. This information is used in Test 7.5.2.

7. Protocol Test

7.1. These tests are performed on a network consisting of the DUT and the Laboratory PC. These are connected via STP Ethernet to a standard hub. Check [1] for more details.

7.2. ***`PING`*** *Test*

7.2.1. Using the Laboratory Windows NT PC, 10 consecutive 32-byte PING requests are sent to the device. The command is:
`PING -n 10 192.168.1.100`

7.2.2. The pings should all be returned, corresponding to an output:
`Reply from 192.168.1.100: bytes=32 time<10ms TTL=128`

7.2.3. The time elapsed may vary for devices.

7.2.4. Pass Criteria
If all 10 pings are returned as specified, the DUT passes the `PING` test.

7.3. *Function 0x01 Tests, Read Coils*

7.3.1. Function Code Test

7.3.1.1. A request is sent via TCP on port 502 to read coils, in the format specified by [2] and [3] from the Laboratory PC.

7.3.1.2. The Modbus request will be of the form:
`00 00 00 00 00 06 XX 01 00 00 00 01`

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Identifier: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 06`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `01`
Coil Offset: `00 00`
Number of Coils: `00 01`

7.3.1.3. Pass Criteria
The response must be of the form:
`00 00 00 00 00 04 XX 01 01 XX`

Corresponding to:

Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Identifier: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 04`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `01`
Byte Count: `01`
Bit Value: `XX`

7.4. *Function 0x02 Tests, Read Input Discretes*

7.4.1. Function Code Test

7.4.1.1. A request is sent via TCP on port 502 to read input discretes, in the format specified by [2] and [3] from the Laboratory PC.

7.4.1.2. The Modbus request will be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 06 XX 02 00 00 00 01
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Identifier: `00 00`
Message Length: `06`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `02`
Discrete Offset: `00 00`
Number of Discretes: `00 01`

7.4.1.3. Pass Criteria

The response must be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 04 XX 02 01 XX
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00`
Protocol Identifier: `00`
Message Length: `04`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `02`
Byte Count: `01`
Discrete Value: `XX`

7.5. *Function 0x03 Tests, Read Multiple Registers*

7.5.1. Function Code Test

7.5.1.1. A request is sent via TCP on port 502 to read multiple registers, in the format specified by [2] and [3] from the Laboratory PC.

7.5.1.2. The Modbus request will be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 06 XX 03 00 00 00 01
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Identifier: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 06`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `03`
Register Offset: `00 00`
Number of Registers: `00 01`

7.5.1.3. Pass Criteria

The response must be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 05 XX 03 02 XX XX
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Identifier: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 05`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `03`
Byte Count: `02`
Register Value: `XX XX`

7.5.2. Multiple Register Test

7.5.2.1. Multiple requests are sent via TCP on port 502 to read multiple registers, in the format specified by [2] and [3] from the Laboratory PC.

7.5.2.2. This test performs a comprehensive register sweep in a timely fashion. The purpose of this test is to ensure that a DUT can read any number of registers from any location in the register memory.

7.5.2.3. First, the Register Offset of each request will be 0x0000. The request will then read an increasing Number of Registers until the maximum register query size for the DUT.

For example, for a DUT with a maximum register query size of 0x20, register 0x0000 would be read, followed by 0x0000 and 0x0001, followed by 0x0000, 0x0001, 0x0002, and so on until a 0x20 register request reading to 0x0020.

7.5.2.4. Next, the Register Offset will increase by the maximum register query size for each request. The request will be to read the maximum register query size. This continues until the end of the DUT register memory.

For example, for a DUT with a maximum register query size of 0x20 and 0x10000 registers, registers 0x0000 through 0x0020 would be read at once, followed by 0x0020 through 0x0040 at once, followed by 0x0040 through 0x0060 at once, and so on until 0x9980 through 0x10000 were read at once.

7.5.2.5. Finally, the Register Offset will start at a maximum register query size less than the highest register offset. The Register Offset will then be increased while the Number of Registers read decreases from the maximum register query size until only final register is read.

For example, for a DUT with a maximum register query size of 0x20 and 0x10000 registers, the first request would read registers 0x9980 through 0x10000, the second request would read registers 0x9981 through 0x10000, and so on until only register 0x10000 is requested.

7.5.2.6. Pass Criteria
The response must be of the form:
`00 00 00 00 00 XX XX 03 XX XX XX...`

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Identifier: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 XX`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `03`
Byte Count: `XX`
Register Value: `XX XX ...`

The Message Length must be correct for all responses. The Byte Count must be half of the number of Register Values for all requests. The number of Register Values must match the Number of Registers requested, however the contents of the registers may be variable. If this holds true for all responses and no exception responses are received, the DUT passes this test.

7.6. *Function 0x04 Tests, Read Input Register*

7.6.1. Function Code Test

7.6.1.1. A request is sent via TCP on port 502 to write multiple registers, in the format specified by [2] and [3] from the Laboratory PC.

7.6.1.2. The Modbus request will be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 06 XX 04 00 00 00 01
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Identifier: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 06`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `03`
Register Offset: `00 00`
Number of Registers: `00 01`

7.6.1.3. Pass Criteria

The response must be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 05 XX 04 02 XX XX
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Identifier: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 05`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `04`
Byte Count: `02`
Register Value: `XX XX`

7.7. *Function 0x05 Tests, Write Coil*

7.7.1. Function Code Test

7.7.1.1. A request is sent via TCP on port 502 to write a coil, in the format specified by [2] and [3] from the Laboratory PC.

7.7.1.2. The Modbus request will be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 06 XX 05 00 00 FF 00
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Length: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 06`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `05`
Coil Offset: `00 00`
Data: `FF 00`

7.7.1.3. Pass Criteria

The response must be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 06 XX 05 00 00 FF 00
```

Corresponding to:

Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Length: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 06`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `05`
Coil Offset: `00 00`
Coil Value: `FF 00`

7.8. *Function 0x06 Tests, Write Single Register*

7.8.1. Function Code Test

7.8.1.1. A request is sent via TCP on port 502 to write a register, in the format specified by [2] and [3] from the Laboratory PC.

7.8.1.2. The Modbus request will be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 06 XX 06 00 00 12 34
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Length: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 06`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `06`
Register Offset: `00 00`
Data: `12 34`

7.8.1.3. Pass Criteria

The response must be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 06 XX 06 00 00 12 34
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Length: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 06`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `06`
Register Offset: `00 00`
Register Value: `12 34`

7.9. *Function 0x07 Tests, Read Exception Status*

7.9.1. Function Code Test

7.9.1.1. A request is sent via TCP on port 502 to read the exception status, in the format specified by [2] and [3] from the Laboratory PC.

7.9.1.2. The Modbus request will be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 02 XX 07
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Length: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 06`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `07`

7.9.1.3. Pass Criteria

The response must be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 03 XX 07 XX
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Length: `00 00`

Message Length: `00 03`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `07`
Exception Code: `XX`

7.10. *Function 0x08 Tests, Diagnostics*

7.10.1. Function Code Test

7.10.1.1. A request is sent via TCP on port 502 to return the query data, in the format specified by [2] and [3] from the Laboratory PC.

7.10.1.2. The Modbus request will be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 06 XX 08 00 00 12 34
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Length: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 06`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `08`
Subfunction Code: `00 00` (corresponding to Return Query Data)
Query Data: `12 34`

7.10.1.3. Pass Criteria

The Modbus request will be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 06 XX 08 00 00 12 34
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Length: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 06`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `08`
Subfunction Code: `00 00` (corresponding to Return Query Data)
Query Data: `12 34`

7.11. *Function 0x0F Tests, Force Multiple Coils*

7.11.1. Function Code Test

7.11.1.1. A request is sent via TCP on port 502 to force multiple coils, in the format specified by [2] and [3] from the Laboratory PC.

7.11.1.2. The Modbus request will be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 08 XX 0F 00 00 00 01 01 01
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Identifier: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 08`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `0F`
Coil Offset: `00 00`
Number of Coils: `00 01`
Number of Bytes: `01`
Data: `01`

7.11.1.3. Pass Criteria

The response must be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 06 XX 0F 00 00 00 01
```

Corresponding to:

Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Identifier: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 06`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `0F`
Coil Offset: `00 00`
Number of Coils: `00 01`

7.12. *Function 0x10 Tests, Write Multiple Registers*

7.12.1. Function Code Test

7.12.1.1. A request is sent via TCP on port 502 to write multiple registers, in the format specified by [2] and [3] from the Laboratory PC.

7.12.1.2. The Modbus request will be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 09 XX 10 00 00 00 01 02 12 34
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Identifier: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 09`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `10`
Register Offset: `00 00`
Number of Registers: `00 01`
Number of Bytes: `02`
Data: `12 34`

7.12.1.3. Pass Criteria

The response must be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 06 XX 10 00 00 00 01
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Identifier: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 06`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `10`
Register Offset: `00 00`
Number of Registers: `00 01`

7.13. *Function 0x5B Tests, Object Messaging*

7.13.1. Function Code Test

7.13.1.1. Note: This test is only performed if the DUT supports function code 0x5B.

7.13.1.2. A request is sent via TCP on port 502 for object messaging, in the format specified by [2], [3] and [4] from the Laboratory PC.

7.13.1.3. The request for Class 1, Instance 1, Service Code 1 will be issued. This object and service code may or may not be available on the device, however the device must respond with a object access error exception code or the data requested if the object exists.

7.13.1.4. The Modbus request will be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 0B XX 5B 08 40 00 01 00 01 00 01 00
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Identifier: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 0B`
Unit Identifier: `XX`

Function Code: 5B
Fragment Byte Count: 08
Fragment Protocol: 40 (01000000 binary, corresponding to a one-fragment message)
Class ID: 00 01
Instance ID: 00 01
Service Code: 00 01
Service Parameter: 00

7.13.1.5. Response Types

7.13.1.5.1. This test will generate service response data or a service error code.

7.13.1.5.2. For a service error code, the response must be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 XX XX 5B XX 40 00 01 00 01 00 02 XX XX
...
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: 00 00
Protocol Identifier: 00 00
Message Length: 00 XX
Unit Identifier: XX
Function Code: 5B
Fragment Byte Count: XX
Fragment Protocol: 40 (01000000 binary, corresponding to a one-fragment message)
Class ID: 00 01
Instance ID: 00 01
Service Code: 00 02 (corresponding to the response to service code 00 01)
Service Error Code: XX
Service Error Code Parameters: XX ...

7.13.1.5.3. For service response data, the response must be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 XX XX 5B XX XX 00 01 00 01 00 02 00 XX
...
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: 00 00
Protocol Identifier: 00 00
Message Length: 00 XX
Unit Identifier: XX
Function Code: 5B
Fragment Byte Count: XX
Fragment Protocol: XX (varies depending on length of message)
Class ID: 00 01
Instance ID: 00 01
Service Code: 00 02 (corresponding to the response to service code 00 01)
Service Parameter Error Code: 00
Service Parameters: XX ...

7.13.1.6. Pass Criteria

If the DUT properly responds with a proper object messaging response for either a service error or service data for the object as defined in 7.13.1.5.2 and 7.13.1.5.3, it passes this test.

7.13.2. Alternate Encoding Test

7.13.2.1. Note: This test is performed only if the DUT supports the alternate-encoding method of implementing function code 0x5B.

7.13.2.2. Note: This test cannot be performed if the device does not pass the Function 0x03 Test, Read Multiple Registers, see 7.5.

7.13.2.3. Multiple requests are sent via TCP on port 502 to read multiple registers, in the format specified by [2], [3] and [4] from the Laboratory PC.

7.13.2.4. As specified in Appendix A of [4], function 0x03 requests will be sent, consecutively reading the entire contents of the DUT register memory in 125 register blocks until the ASCII values "SE", "MI" and their zero-sum checksum are found.

7.13.2.5. The Modbus request will be of the form:

```
00 00 00 00 00 06 XX 03 00 00 00 XX
```

Corresponding to:
Transaction Identifier: `00 00`
Protocol Identifier: `00 00`
Message Length: `00 06`
Unit Identifier: `XX`
Function Code: `03`
Register Offset: `00 00`
Number of Registers: `00 XX` (the best size for reading register blocks will be used here)

7.13.2.6. Pass Criteria

The registers of data in the response will be checked for the values 0x5345, 0x4D49, 0x5F72 consecutively. These correspond to the ASCII values "SE", "MI" and their zero-sum checksum.
If these values are properly returned, the DUT will pass the test.

8. Interoperability Test

8.1. The DUT will be connected to the Laboratory's interoperability network. The description of this network is available on [1]. The DUT and other network slaves are then separated from the Laboratory PC and PLC by 100m of STP Ethernet cable.

8.2. *Schematic of Interoperability Test*

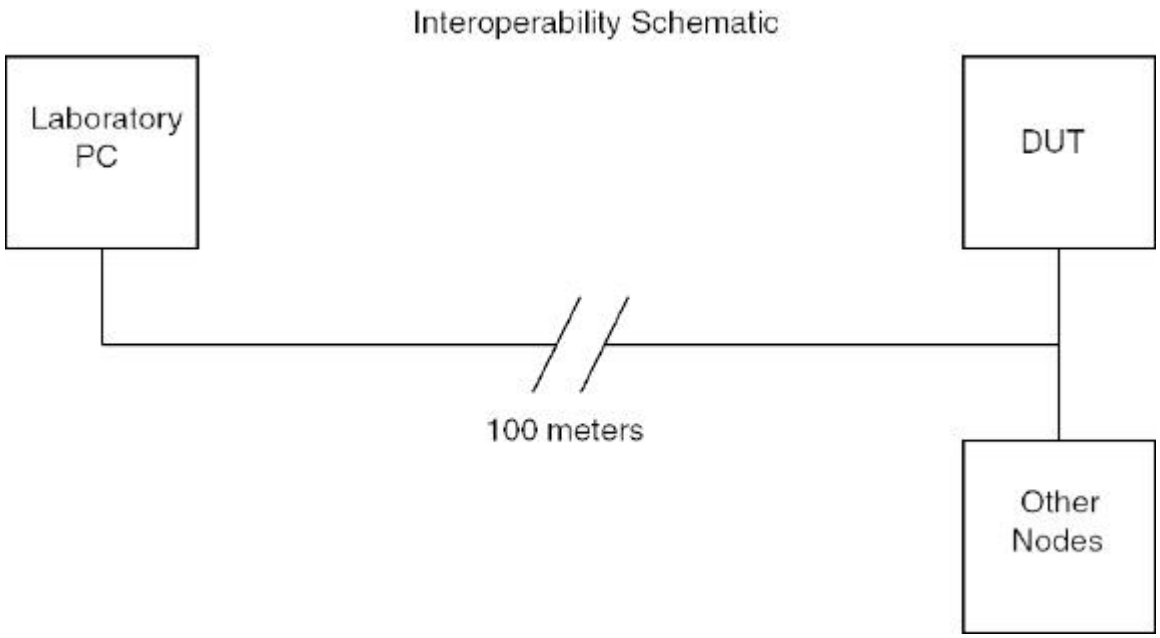

Figure 1: Schematic of Interoperability Test

8.3. With the DUT correctly configured and active on the network, the Laboratory PC will generate network traffic. An automated process will run the Protocol Tests on all network nodes simultaneously.

8.4. Pass Criteria

The DUT must operate with no detected failures anywhere on the network (including the DUT) for one hour to pass this test.