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MELSEC iQ-R
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MELSEC iQ-R Inter-Module Synchronization Function Reference Manual

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INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing the Mitsubishi Electric MELSEC iQ-R series programmable controllers.

This manual describes the inter-module synchronization function, which controls multiple modules synchronously.

Before using this product, please read this manual and the relevant manuals carefully and develop familiarity with the functions and performance of the MELSEC iQ-R series programmable controller to handle the product correctly.

When applying the program examples provided in this manual to an actual system, ensure the applicability and confirm that it will not cause system control problems.

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Where a reference to the GX Works3 Operating Manual or the MELSEC iQ-R CPU Module User's Manual (Startup or Application) is given, the reference should be made to the following instead:

 CW Configurator Operating Manual

 MELSEC iQ-R C Controller Module User's Manual (Startup)

 MELSEC iQ-R C Controller Module User's Manual (Application)

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RELEVANT MANUALS

Manual name [manual number]	Description	Available form
MELSEC iQ-R Inter-Module Synchronization Function Reference Manual [SH-081401ENG] (this manual)	Inter-module synchronization function, which controls multiple modules synchronously	e-Manual PDF
MELSEC iQ-R CPU Module User's Manual (Startup) [SH-081263ENG]	Specifications, procedures before operation, and troubleshooting of the CPU module	Print book e-Manual PDF
MELSEC iQ-R CC-Link IE Field Network Remote Head Module User's Manual (Startup) [SH-081614ENG]	Specifications, procedures before operation, system configuration, wiring, and communication examples of the CC-Link IE Field Network remote head module	Print book e-Manual PDF
MELSEC iQ-R C Controller Module User's Manual (Application) [SH-081369ENG]	Functions, devices, and parameters of C Controller module	Print book e-Manual PDF

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- Required information can be cross-searched in multiple manuals.
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- The hardware specifications of each part can be found from the product figures.
- Pages that users often browse can be bookmarked.
- Sample programs can be copied to an engineering tool.

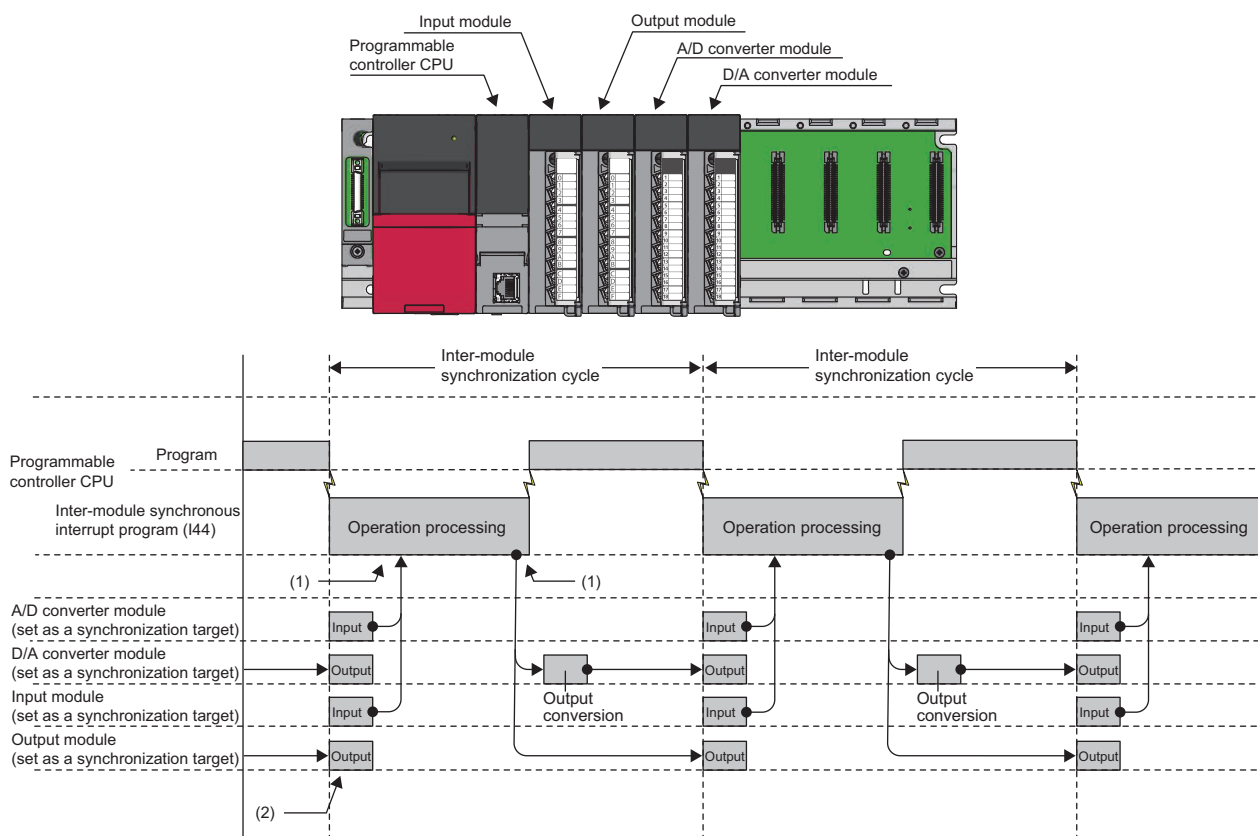
TERMS

Unless otherwise specified, this manual uses the following terms.

Term	Description
A/D converter module	A generic term for the MELSEC iQ-R series analog-digital converter module and high speed analog-digital converter module
CPU module	A generic term for the MELSEC iQ-R series CPU module
C Controller module	A generic term for the MELSEC iQ-R series C Controller module
D/A converter module	A generic term for the MELSEC iQ-R series digital-analog converter module and high speed digital-analog converter module
RAS	The abbreviation for Reliability, Availability, and Serviceability. This term refers to usability of automated equipment.
Intelligent function module	A module that has functions other than input and output, such as an A/D converter module and D/A converter module
Engineering tool	The product name of the software package for the MELSEC programmable controllers
Control CPU	A CPU module that controls connected I/O modules and intelligent function modules. In a multiple CPU system, there are multiple CPU modules and each connected module can be controlled by a different CPU module.
Global label	A label that is valid for all the program data when multiple program data are created in the project. The global label has two types: a module specific label (module label), which is generated automatically by GX Works3, and an optional label, which can be created for any specified device.
Cyclic transmission	A function by which data are periodically exchanged among stations on the network using link devices
Slave station	A generic term for a local station, remote I/O station, remote device station, and intelligent device station
Device	A device (X, Y, M, D, or others) in a CPU module
Master/local module	A generic term for the RJ71GF11-T2 CC-Link IE Field Network master/local module and RJ71EN71 (when the CC-Link IE Field Network function is used)
Master station	A station that controls the entire network. This station can perform cyclic transmission and transient transmission with all stations. Only one master station can be used in a network.
Module label	A label that represents one of memory areas (I/O signals and buffer memory areas) specific to each module in a given character string. For the module used, GX Works3 automatically generates this label, which can be used as a global label.
Remote head module	The abbreviation for the RJ72GF15-T2 CC-Link IE Field Network remote head module
Link scan time	Time required for all the stations on the network to transmit data.
Link device	A device (RX, RY, RWr, RWw, SB, SW) in a module on CC-Link IE Field Network
Local station	A station that performs cyclic transmission and transient transmission with the master station and other local stations.

1 OVERVIEW

The inter-module synchronization function adjusts the control timing for the signals between multiple modules. When this function is used, the synchronization target module can match the input or output timing to the inter-module synchronization cycle. The inter-module synchronization cycle is a fixed scan interval for the inter-module synchronization function. The multiple CPU system function's fixed communication interval and the CC-Link IE Field Network synchronous communication function can be coordinated with the inter-module synchronization cycle.



- (1) Refreshing is executed before and after the inter-module synchronous interrupt program (I44).
- (2) The input process and output process are performed at the timing of the inter-module synchronization cycle.


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2 SYSTEM CONFIGURATION

Shows the system configuration for the inter-module synchronization function.

2.1 Precautions for System Configuration

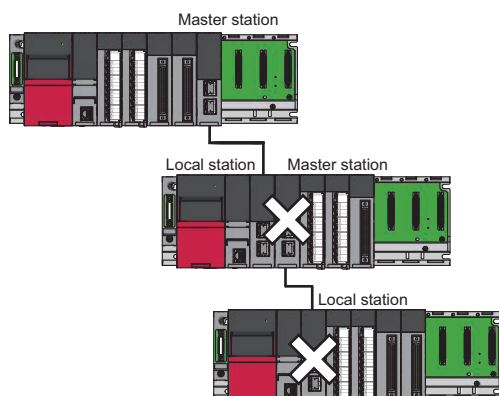
Lists precautions for configuring the inter-module synchronization function system.


Item	Description
Modules targeted for inter-module synchronization function ^{*1}	This function can be used only with the MELSEC iQ-R Series modules. ( Page 10 Configuration Devices)
For configuration that uses the network module as the synchronization target module.	Network compatible with inter-module synchronization function
	Number of network modules that can be specified as target module for inter-module synchronization function (Per station include those on extension base unit.) ^{*2,3}
	Network transmission path format compatible with inter-module synchronization function
	Mounting position of local station module in synchronization target network module
	Types of stations supported with inter-module synchronization function ^{*5}
	Time required for inter-module synchronization function to start (rising edge)
	Only CC-Link IE Field Network
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Master station modules: 8 modules Local station modules: 1 module^{*6}
	Only the following network topology can be used. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Line topology Star topology^{*4} Line topology and star topology combination^{*4}
	The local station can be mounted only on the main base unit. (Local stations on the extension base unit cannot be synchronized.)
	Only master station and local station
	Max. 20 seconds


*1 This is not restricted by the module mounting position, maximum number of mountable modules, or the number of CPU modules when using a multiple CPU system configuration. (Same as when not using the inter-module synchronization function.) ( MELSEC iQ-R Module Configuration Manual)



*2 In the multiple CPU system, the inter-module synchronization function can be used only by the network module controlled by the CPU No.1.

*3 If the local station is designated as the module targeted for the inter-module synchronization function, the master station on the same base unit as the local station cannot be set as a module targeted for the inter-module synchronization function.



*4 A hub compatible with the inter-module synchronization function must be used. ( MELSEC iQ-R Ethernet/CC-Link IE User's Manual (Startup))

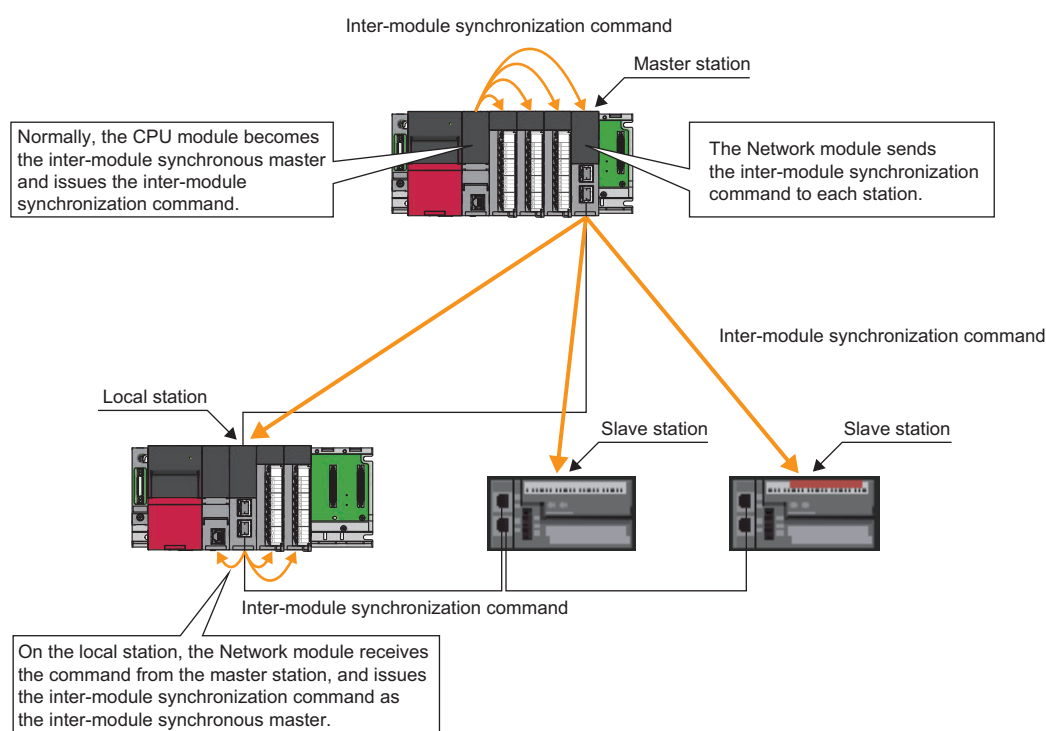
*5 Shows the type of station that can be selected with the station type setting. ( MELSEC iQ-R CC-Link IE Field Network User's Manual (Application))

*6 To use the module on the local station as the synchronization target module, Inter-module Synchronization Master Setting is required. ( Page 9 Inter-module synchronous master,  Page 34 Inter-Module Synchronization Setting)

Inter-module synchronous master

The inter-module synchronous master is a module that issues the inter-module synchronization command. Normally, the CPU module becomes the inter-module synchronous master. (For the multiple CPU system configuration, the CPU module on the extreme left, for which "Use" is set in "Use Inter-module Synchronization Function in System" of "Inter-module Synchronization Setting", becomes the inter-module synchronous master.) Note that if a module on the local station or a remote head module is used as the synchronization target, the inter-module synchronous master is as follows because the CC-Link IE Field Network module on the local station and the remote head module operate by receiving the command from the master station.

- When a module on the local station is used as the synchronization target: The network module becomes the inter-module synchronous master.
- When a remote head module is used as the synchronization target: The remote head module becomes the inter-module synchronous master.



2.2 Configuration Devices

Shows the modules that can be synchronously controlled with the inter-module synchronization function.

Part name		Model name
CPU module	Programmable controller CPU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R04CPU • R04ENCPU • R08CPU • R08ENCPU • R16CPU • R16ENCPU • R32CPU • R32ENCPU • R120CPU • R120ENCPU
	Process CPU (process mode)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R08PCPU • R16PCPU • R32PCPU • R120PCPU
	Motion CPU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R16MTCPU • R32MTCPU
	C Controller module	R12CCPU-V
Remote head module		RJ72GF15-T2
Network module	Master/local module	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RJ71GF11-T2 • RJ71EN71*1
I/O module	AC input module	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RX10 • RX28
	DC input module	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RX40C7 • RX41C4
	DC high-speed input module	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RX40PC6H • RX40NC6H • RX41C6HS • RX61C6HS
	Input module with diagnostic functions	RX40NC6B
	Contact output module	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RY10R2 • RY18R2A
	Triac output module	RY20S6
	Transistor output module	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RY40NT5P • RY41NT2P • RY40PT5P • RY41PT1P
	Transistor high-speed output module	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RY41NT2H • RY41PT2H
	Output module with diagnostic functions	RY40PT5B

Part name		Model name
Intelligent function module	A/D converter module	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R60AD4 • R60ADI8 • R60ADV8 • R60ADH4
	D/A converter module	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R60DA4 • R60DAI8 • R60DAV8 • R60DAH4
	Simple motion module	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RD77MS2 • RD77MS4 • RD77MS8 • RD77MS16 • RD77GF4 • RD77GF8 • RD77GF16
	High-speed counter module	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RD62P2 • RD62D2 • RD62P2E
	Flexible high-speed I/O control module	RD40PD01
	Positioning module	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RD75P2 • RD75P4 • RD75D2 • RD75D4

*1 Usable only when operating as the CC-Link IE Field Network.



A module other than those listed in the table can be mounted on the system as long as it is not a module that is synchronously controlled with the inter-module synchronization function.

3 SPECIFICATIONS

Shows the specifications for the inter-module synchronization function.

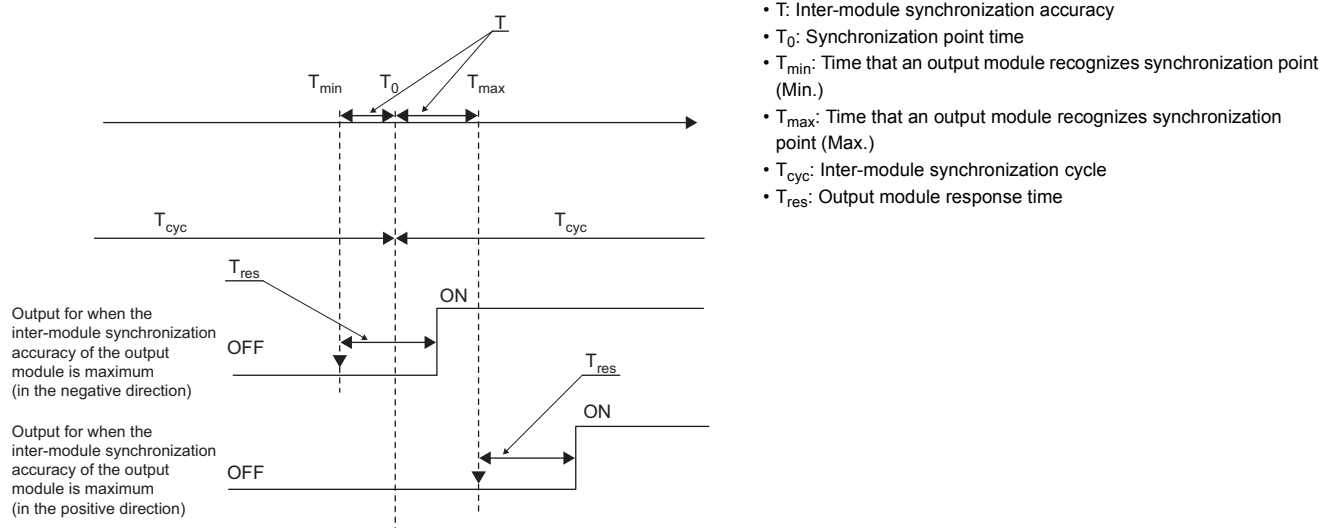
3.1 Performance Specifications

Shows the performance specifications for the inter-module synchronization function.

Item	Performance value
Inter-module synchronization cycle	100μs to 10ms
Inter-module synchronization accuracy	Calculate the accuracy with the inter-module synchronization accuracy formula. (☞ Page 13 Inter-module synchronization accuracy calculation formula)

Inter-module synchronization accuracy

The accuracy is the difference that each module recognizes the synchronization point and the time of the synchronization point. In the case of the following output module, the inter-module synchronization accuracy is $T_{\max} - T_0$ in the positive direction, and $T_0 - T_{\min}$ in the negative direction.



The actual external output is output with the following time lag.

Inter-module synchronization accuracy + output module response time (T_{res})

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- Each module starts the process at the inter-module synchronization functions' start timing, so the input or output is made after the response time from that inter-module synchronization function's start timing.
- For details on each module's response time (T_{res}), refer to each module's manual.

Inter-module synchronization accuracy calculation formula

Shows the calculation formula for the inter-module synchronization accuracy. Use as a guide to set the inter-module synchronization cycle.

■When not going through a network module

$$T = T_{cyc} \times 2.4 \times 10^{-4} + N_r \times 80 + 150$$

- T: Inter-module synchronization accuracy (ns)
- T_{cyc} : Inter-module synchronization cycle (ns)
- N_r : Number of stages in extension base unit in which the module for calculating the inter-module synchronization accuracy is mounted*1

*1 This is 0 for the main base unit.

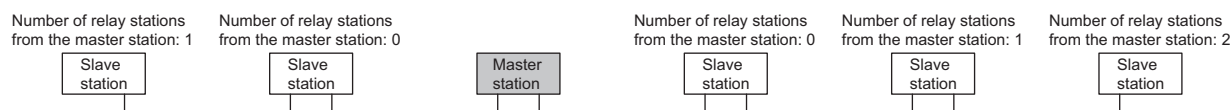
■When going through network module

$$T = T_{cyc} \times 2.4 \times 10^{-4} + N_r \times 80 + N_s \times 12 + 700$$

- T: Inter-module synchronization accuracy (ns)
- T_{cyc} : Inter-module synchronization cycle (ns)
- N_r : Number of stages in extension base unit in which the module for calculating the inter-module synchronization accuracy is mounted*1
- N_s : Number of transit stations from the master station in which the module for calculating the inter-module synchronization accuracy is mounted*2

*1 This is 0 for the main base unit.

*2 The number of relay stations from the master station refers to the number of stations physically related from the master station to the relevant station when using the following type of line topology or line topology/star topology combination.



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Obtain the inter-module synchronization accuracy for the module mounted in the master station with the "When not going through network module" method.

4 PROCEDURES BEFORE OPERATION

This section describes the procedures for using the inter-module synchronization function.

1. Starting up the engineering tool

Connect the personal computer in which the engineering tool is installed to the CPU module or remote head module, and start up the engineering tool. (📖 GX Works3 Operating Manual)

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For details on the preparations for starting up the engineering tool (mounting the modules, wiring each device, turning the system power ON, etc.), refer to the following.

📖 MELSEC iQ-R CPU Module User's Manual (Startup)

📖 MELSEC iQ-R CC-Link IE Field Network Remote Head Module User's Manual (Startup)

2. Setting the applicable system

Set the system used in the unit configuration drawing. (📖 GX Works3 Operating Manual) When using the multiple CPU system configuration, set the system parameters for all CPU modules. (📖 MELSEC iQ-R CPU Module User's Manual (Application))

3. Setting the inter-module synchronization function

Set the parameters required for using the inter-module synchronization function.

- Inter-module synchronization setting (📖 Page 34 Inter-Module Synchronization Setting)
- If necessary, set the CPU parameters and module parameters. (📖 Manual for each module)
- To coordinate the multiple CPU system function's fixed scan communication cycle with the inter-module synchronization cycle, set the fixed scan communication setting. (📖 Page 36 Multiple CPU Settings)
- To coordinate the CC-Link IE Field Network synchronous communication function with the inter-module synchronization cycle, set the CC-Link IE Field Network master station. (📖 Page 37 Settings in CC-Link IE Field Network)

4. Programming

Create the inter-module synchronous interrupt program. To exchange the data used with the inter-module synchronization function between the multiple CPU systems, create a program for exchanging data.

5. RAS setting

If necessary, set to monitor the inter-module synchronous interrupt program's execution time. (📖 Page 48 Inter-module synchronous interrupt program execution time monitor)

6. Writing the parameters and programs

Write the parameters set with the engineering tool and the created program into the CPU module or remote head module^{*1}. (📖 GX Works3 Operating Manual) When using the multiple CPU system configuration, the parameter settings and program must be written into each CPU module for CPU No. 2 to 4.

^{*1} Programs cannot be written into the remote head module. Write programs to the CPU module on the master station.

7. Restarting the system

Restart the system with one of the following methods.

- Power OFF→ON→RUN
- Reset the CPU module or remote head module → RUN

8. Monitoring and diagnosis

If necessary, confirm the operation of the inter-module synchronization function with the system monitor or the interrupt program monitor list for each CPU module. (📖 Page 46 Error Processing and Recovery Methods)

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5 FUNCTION

Shows the details of the inter-module synchronization function.

5.1 Fixed Cycle Synchronization Function

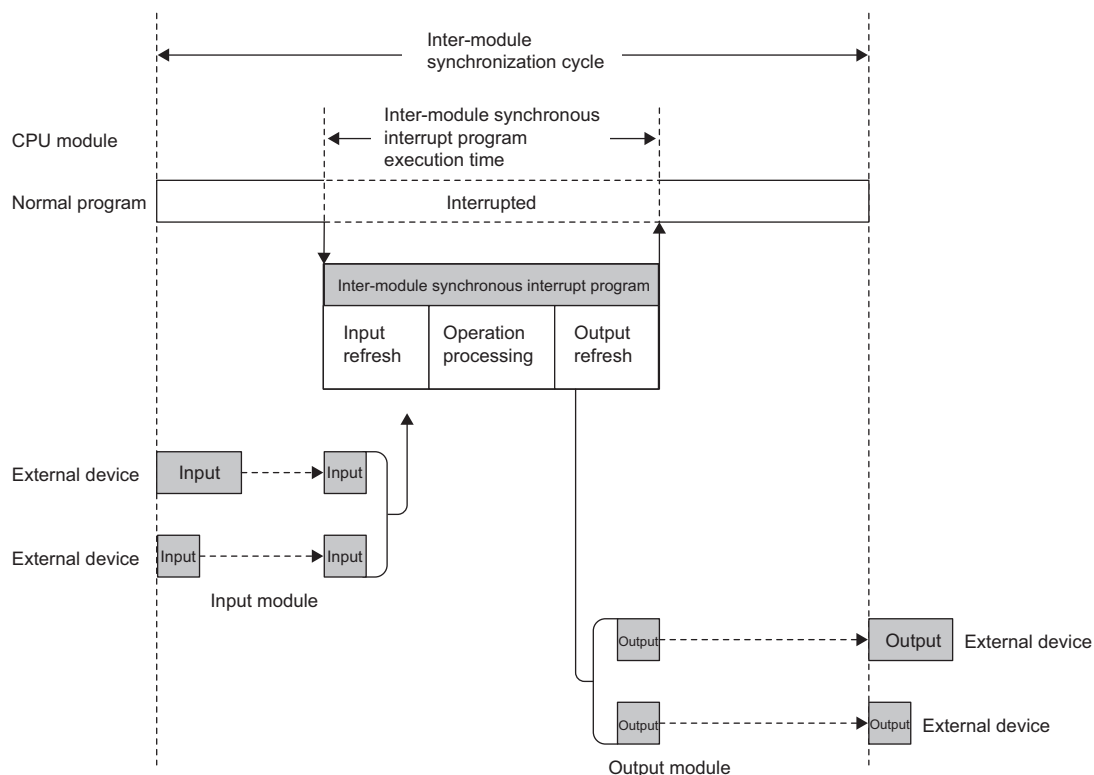
Multiple modules are synchronized at the inter-module synchronization cycle timing set with the parameters. The data is exchanged and the input/output is control at a fixed cycle. By using this function, the encoder input can be collected at a fixed-time so data is retrieved at an accurate speed. In addition, the input/output timing is accurately known so highly accurate model prediction control is possible.

Timing for synchronizing CPU modules

The CPU modules execute an inter-module synchronous interrupt program at each inter-module synchronization cycle. (☞ Page 17 Inter-module synchronous interrupt) The CPU module and each module are synchronized by refreshing. This is performed before or after the inter-module synchronous interrupt program. With this, the input data can be retrieved and the output data can be written at the inter-module synchronization cycle timing.

When using C Controller module, refer to the following manual.

📖 MELSEC iQ-R C Controller Module User's Manual (Application)



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- The CC-Link IE Field Network module's input signal (X) and output signal (Y) are refreshed at the END process.
- For details on the refresh operation and settings, refer to each module's manual.


Inter-module synchronous interrupt

The interrupt program is executed at the inter-module synchronization cycle timing set in the parameters. The interrupt program executed at each inter-module synchronization cycle is called the inter-module synchronous interrupt program. For details on the inter-module synchronous interrupt program, refer to the manual for each CPU module.

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- Write the program for controlling the synchronization target in the inter-module synchronous interrupt program.
- The operation when an interrupt cause occurs and the methods of creating the program, etc., are the same as a normal interrupt program.

■Execution timing

The inter-module synchronous interrupt program is executed at the inter-module synchronization cycle timing. The inter-module synchronization cycle can be changed with the parameter settings. ( Page 34 Inter-Module Synchronization Setting)

■Multiple interrupt

For details on the inter-module synchronization (I44) multiple interrupt function, refer to the following.

 MELSEC iQ-R CPU Module User's Manual (Application)

Refresh timing according to CPU module's operation status

This section shows the refresh timing according to the CPU module operation status.

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For C Controller module, the refresh timing is before and after an inter-module synchronous interrupt program since an inter-module synchronous interrupt program is executed even when the operating status of C Controller module is STOP. For more details, refer to the following manual.

 MELSEC iQ-R C Controller Module User's Manual (Application)

■(RUN→STOP) operation at STOP

At STOP^{*1}, the CPU module stops the execution of the inter-module synchronous interrupt program, and turns the output OFF. Refreshing is executed even during STOP. Note that refreshing will not be executed the specified inter-module synchronization cycle (fixed cycle), but will be executed at the END process.

^{*1} This includes CPU module stop errors.

■STOP→RUN operation^{*1}

The CPU module issues the inter-module synchronization start instruction to each module at the inter-module synchronization cycle after STOP→RUN. The inter-module synchronous interrupt program execution starts at the next inter-module synchronization cycle. The refresh timing changes from the END process to before and after the inter-module synchronous interrupt program.

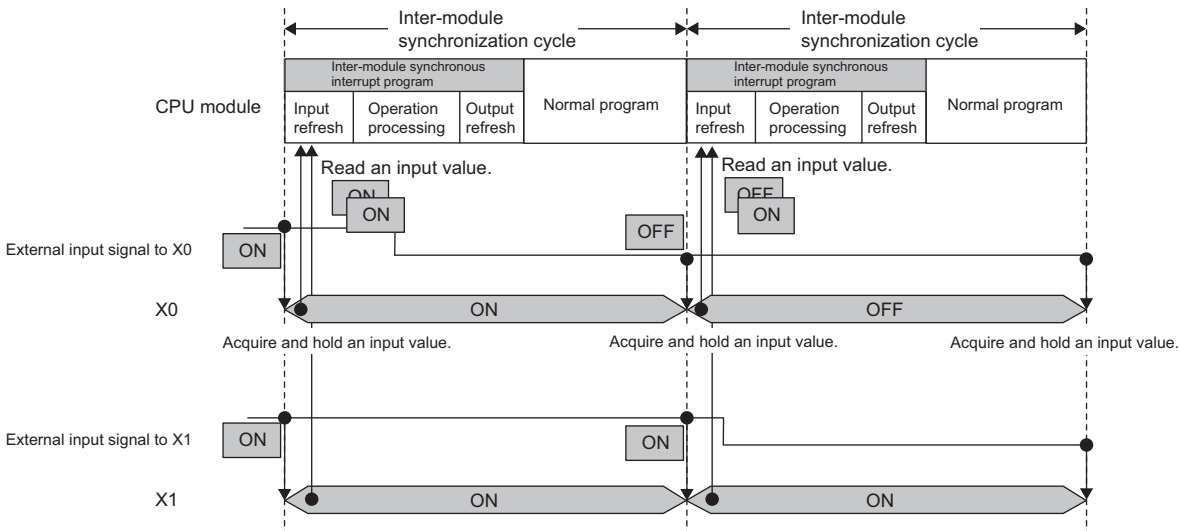
^{*1} The operation is the same at Power ON→RUN.

Timing to synchronize each module

Shows the timing to synchronize each module.

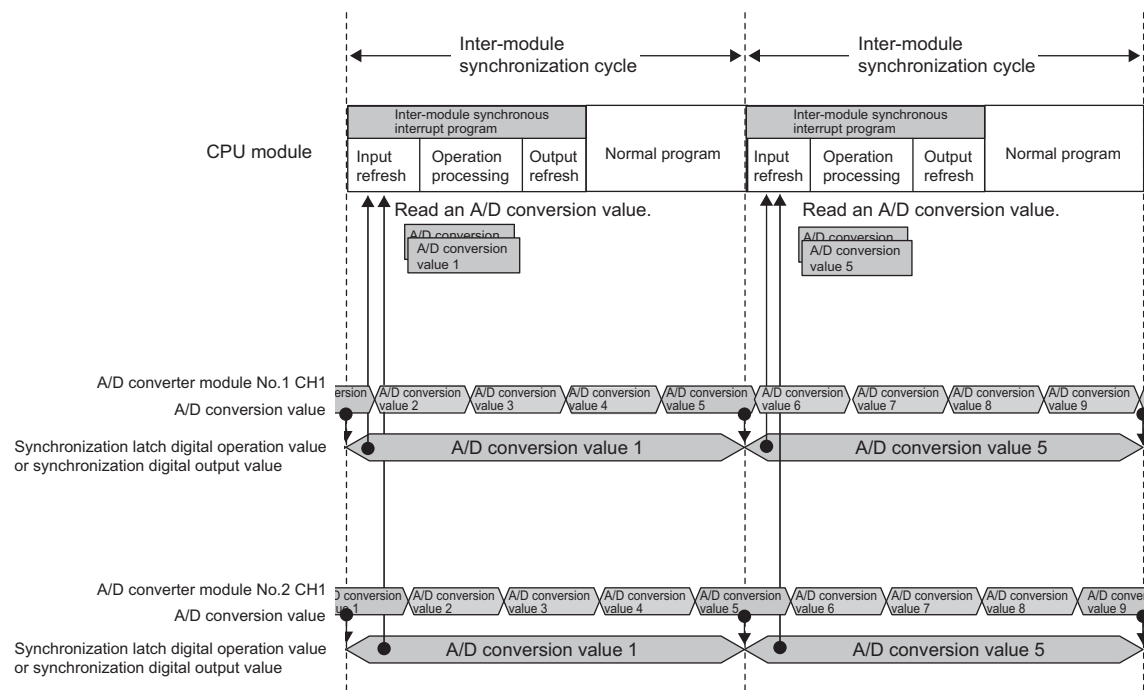
Input module

The input module retrieves the input module at the inter-module synchronization cycle start timing, and holds the input value during the inter-module synchronization cycle. (The input value is retrieved only once during the inter-module synchronization cycle.) By reading the input value (input signal) from the inter-module synchronous interrupt program, multiple modules can read the retrieved value at the same timing.



A/D converter module

During the interval from the inter-module synchronization cycle start timing to execution of the inter-module synchronous interrupt program, the latest A/D conversion value is retrieved and stored in the synchronization latch digital operation value or synchronization digital output value. The synchronization latch digital operation value and synchronization digital output value are held during the inter-module synchronization cycle. By reading the synchronization latch digital operation value or synchronization digital output value from the inter-module synchronous interrupt program, multiple modules can read the A/D conversion value at the same timing.



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For details on the inter-module synchronization function in the A/D converter module, refer to the following.
 Each A/D converter module manual

High-speed counter module

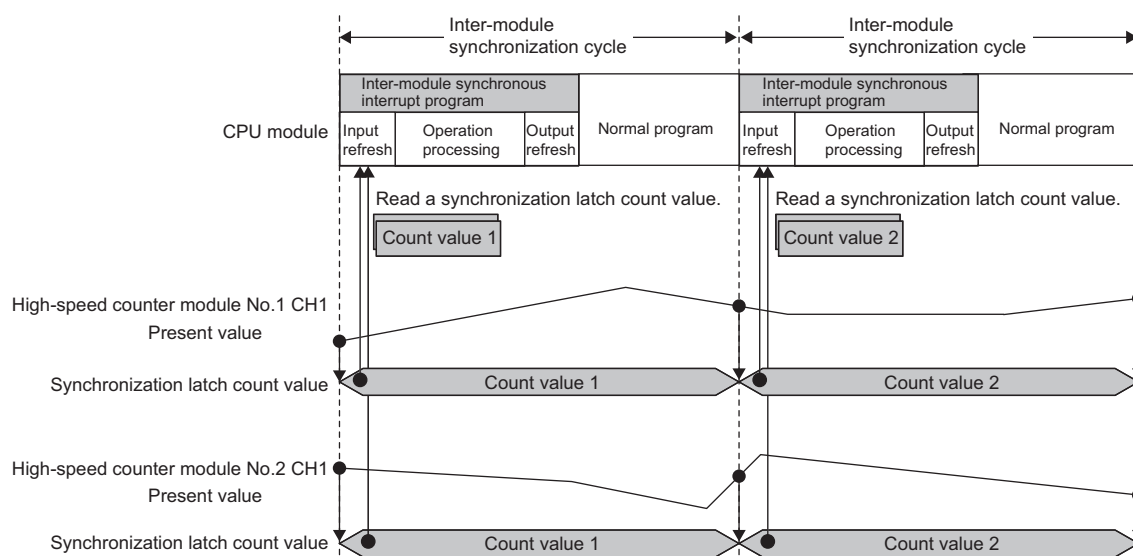
The value is latched in synchronization with the falling edge of the inter-module synchronization control signal. The latched value is stored in the buffer memory. The normal count operation is executed even when using the inter-module synchronization signal. The latch target and storage destination buffer memory differ according to the operation mode.

Operation mode	Latch timing	Latch target	Storage destination buffer memory name ^{*1}
Pulse count mode	Falling edge of inter-module synchronization control signal	Current counter value	Synchronization latch count value
Pulse measurement mode	Falling edge of inter-module synchronization control signal	Measured pulse value	Synchronization measured pulse value

^{*1} The value is updated only at the falling edge of the inter-module synchronization control signal regardless of the ON/OFF state of the count enable instruction pulse measurement instruction.

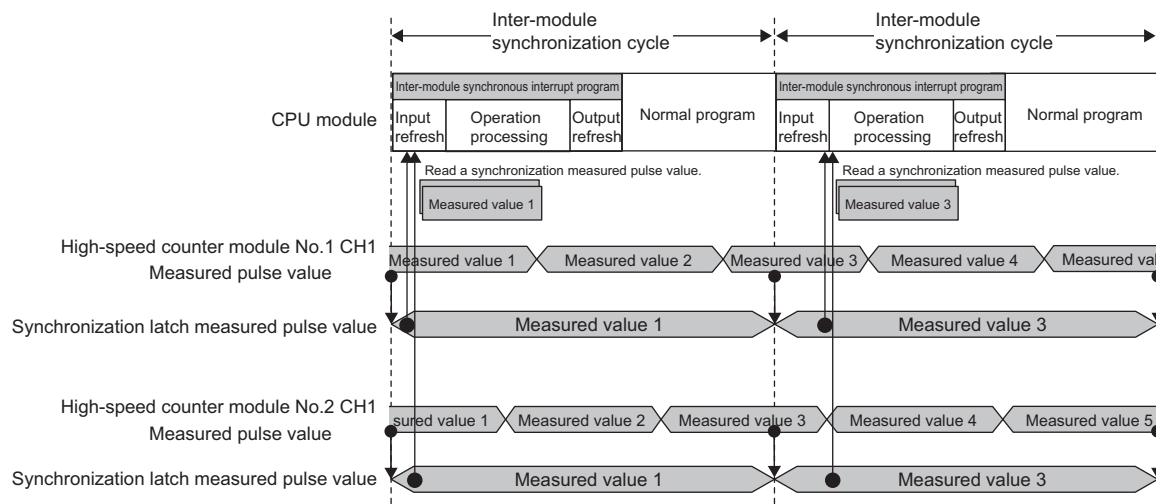
■Pulse count mode (Synchronization latch counter function)

The latest current counter value is retrieved at the inter-module synchronization cycle start timing, and is held during the inter-module synchronization cycle. By reading the synchronization latch counter value from the inter-module synchronous interrupt program, multiple modules can read the retrieved current count value at the same timing.



■Pulse measurement mode (Synchronous pulse measurement function)

The pulse measurement value of the function input terminal's input pulse is retrieved at the inter-module synchronization cycle start timing. The pulse measurement interval can be selected from four patterns: ON width, OFF width, rising edge to rising edge, or falling edge to falling edge. (The synchronization latch pulse measurement value is updated only once during the inter-module synchronization cycle.) By reading the synchronization latch pulse measurement value from the inter-module synchronous interrupt program, the pulse measurement value of the input pulse just before the inter-module synchronization cycle is started can be read out.

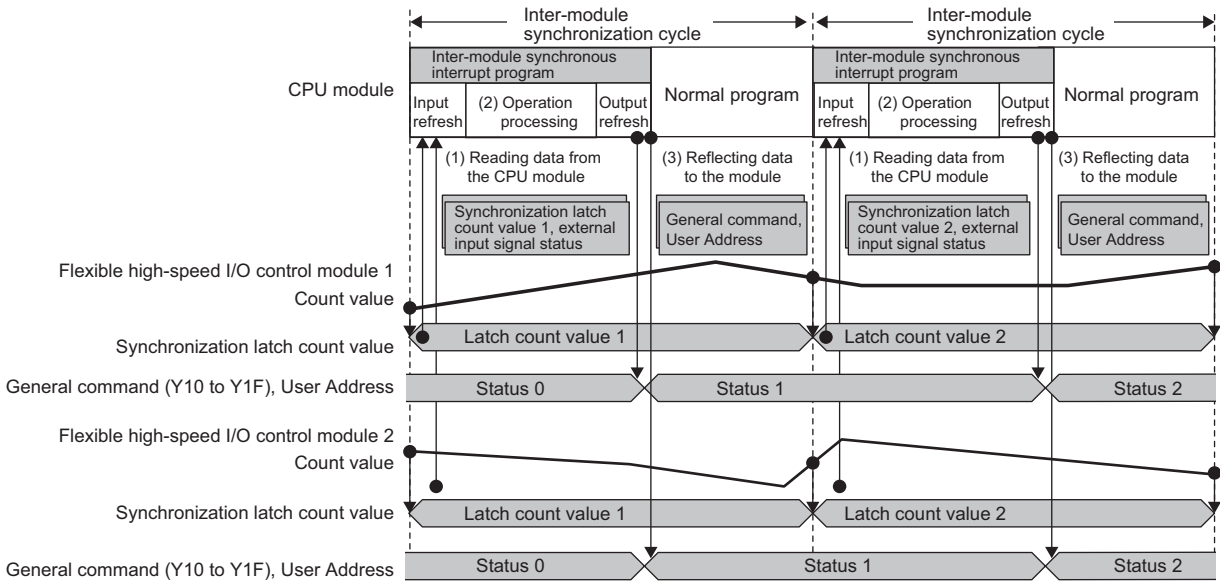


Flexible high-speed I/O control module

The flexible high-speed I/O control module can synchronize external output timings by using the inter-module synchronization signal as a trigger. With this, command timings to external devices that are connected to more than one flexible high-speed I/O control module can be synchronized with each other, enabling simultaneous control of outputs more than the number that one module can use.

In addition, the count value and the High/Low status of external input signal at the latest synchronization cycle can be referred to in the inter-module synchronous interrupt program because a count value and an I/O status are refreshed to the CPU module by using the inter-module synchronization signal as a trigger.

The inter-module synchronization signal also can be output from an external output terminal. Using this output signal expands the targets of synchronization control to external devices that do not have the inter-module synchronization function.



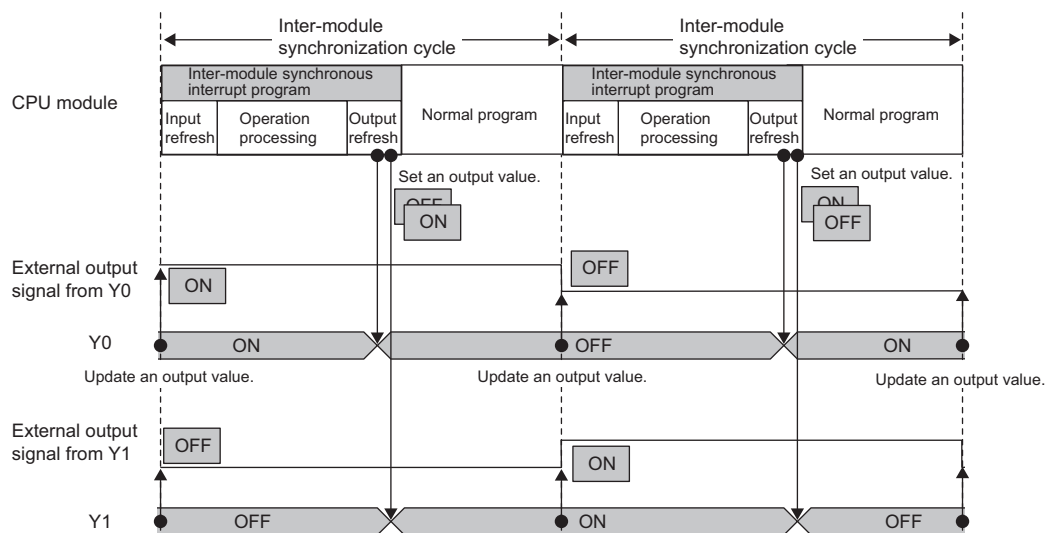
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For details on the inter-module synchronization function in the flexible high-speed I/O control module, refer to the following.

Manual for each flexible high-speed I/O control module

Output module

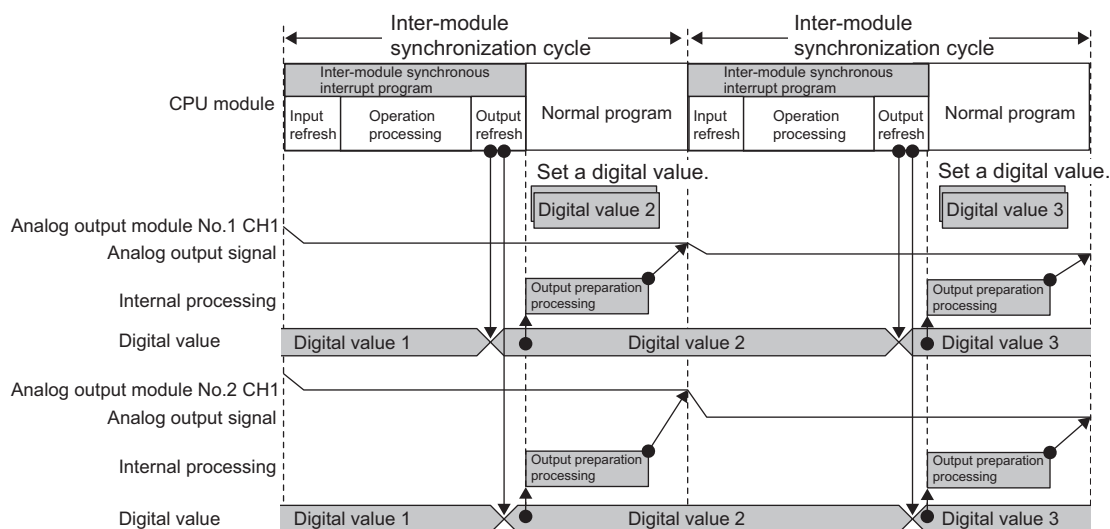
The output module's external output value (ON/OFF) is updated at the inter-module synchronization cycle start timing. (The output value is updated only once during the inter-module synchronization cycle.) By setting the output value from the inter-module synchronous interrupt program, several modules can output the setting value externally at the same value. The external output value is updated at the start timing of the inter-module synchronization cycle after the output that is set in the inter-module synchronous interrupt program.



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D/A converter module

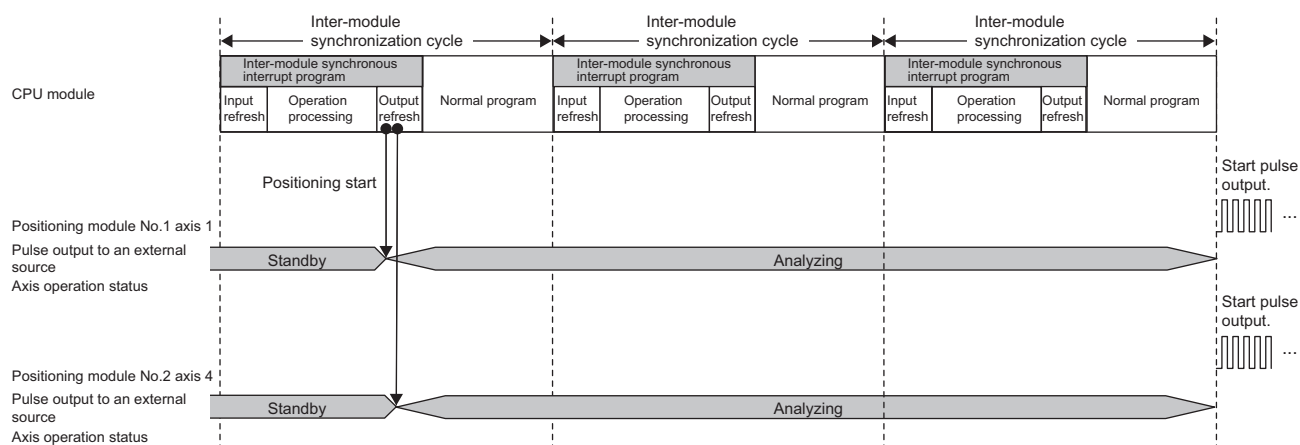
After execution of the inter-module synchronous interrupt program is completed, the output preparation process is executed using the digital value set in the D/A converter module. The analog signal is output at the start timing of the next inter-module synchronization cycle after the inter-module synchronization cycle. (The output preparation process is executed only once during the inter-module synchronization cycle.) By writing the digital value from the inter-module synchronous interrupt program to multiple D/A converter modules, multiple modules can output the analog signal at the same timing.



For details on the inter-module synchronization function in the D/A converter module, refer to the following.
 Manual for each D/A converter module

Positioning module

The pulse output is started at the inter-module synchronization cycle after the positioning start trigger is received. Note that the pulse output start timing is adjusted only to the inter-module synchronization cycle. After starting, each positioning module controls the positioning independently.



Point

For details on the positioning module's inter-module synchronization function, refer to the following.
 Manual for each positioning module

Simple motion module

For the RD77MS, there is no need to match the inter-module synchronization cycle to the simple motion operation cycle. Note that the buffer memory value is updated and referred to at the simple motion operation cycle.

■When the inter-module synchronization cycle is faster than the simple motion operation cycle

The monitor data is updated at each simple motion operation cycle, and the control data, etc., is not processed if only the inter-module synchronization cycle is ON for only one scan, etc.

■When the inter-module synchronization cycle is slower than the simple motion operation cycle

Data may be skipped if the monitor data changes only during 1 simple motion operation cycle.

For the RD77GF, the inter-module synchronization cycle is equal to the simple motion operation cycle.

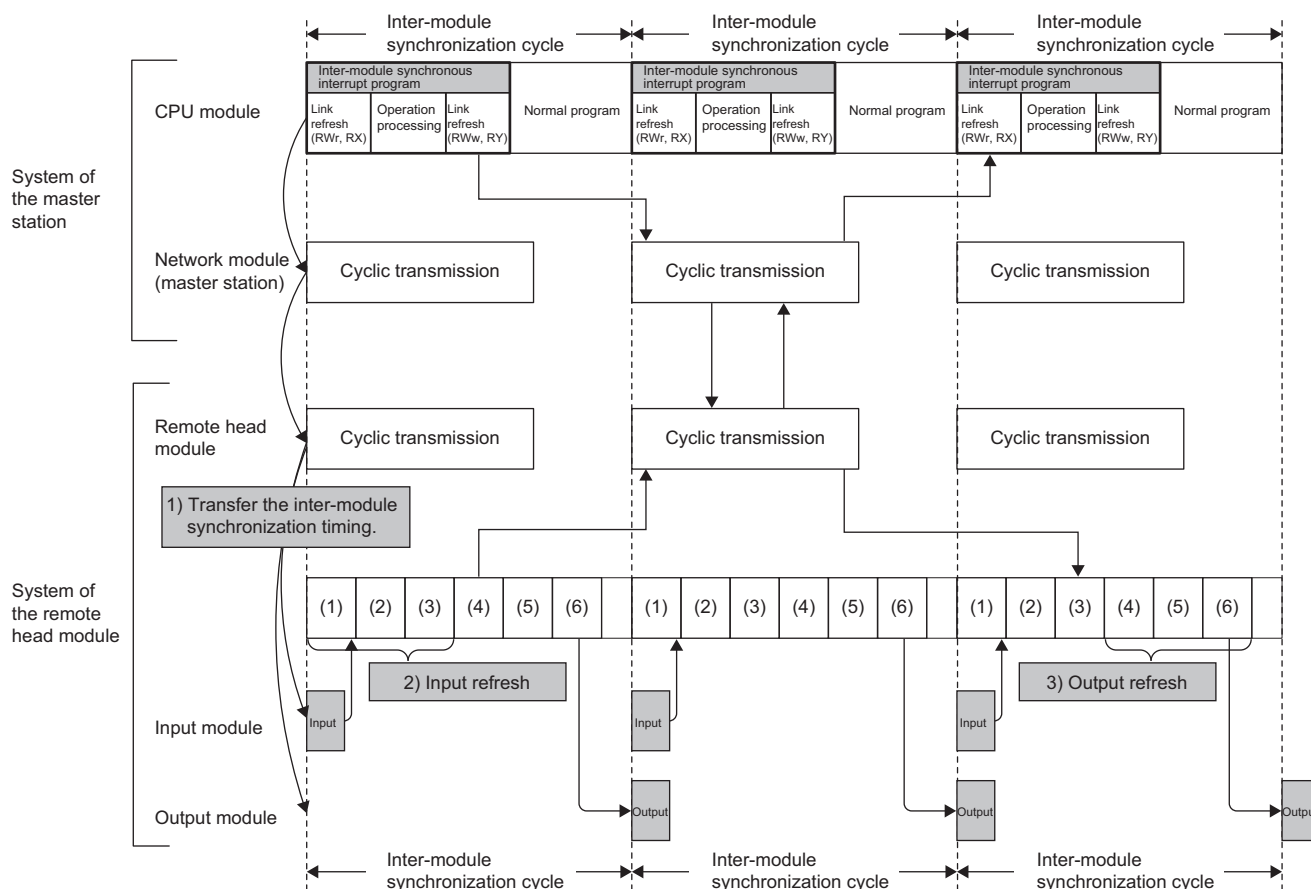
Point

For details on the inter-module synchronization function in the simple motion module, refer to the following.
 Manual for simple motion module

Remote head module

The remote head module receives the inter-module synchronization timing from the master station to perform each refreshing according to the inter-module synchronization cycle and transfer the timing to the mounted modules.



With this, the input data can be retrieved and the output data can be written at the same inter-module synchronization cycle timing as that of the system of the master station.



- (1) Input refresh
- (2) Intelligent function module refresh (transfer to the CPU module)
- (3) Link refresh (RWw, RY)
- (4) Link refresh (RWw, RX)
- (5) Intelligent function module refresh (transfer to the intelligent function module)
- (6) Output refresh

The following table shows details of the data refreshed according to the inter-module synchronization.



Item	Refresh operation	Device	Remarks
Input	Input refresh	X	Refreshes only the items assigned to the target modules of the inter-module synchronization.
	Intelligent function module refresh	Buffer memory (transfer to the CPU module)	Refreshes only the items of the inter-module synchronization function.
	Link refresh	RWw, RX	Refreshes all the signals set on the master station.
Output	Output refresh	Y	Refreshes only the items assigned to the target modules of the inter-module synchronization.
	Intelligent function module refresh	Buffer memory (transfer to the intelligent function module)	Refreshes only the items of the inter-module synchronization function.
	Link refresh	RWw, RY	Refreshes all the signals set on the master station.

- The inter-module synchronization timing is adjusted to the inter-module synchronization timing of the master station by coordinating the inter-module synchronization function with the CC-Link IE Field Network synchronous communication function. Therefore, the CC-Link IE Field Network synchronous communication function must be set to use the inter-module synchronization function. ( Page 37 Settings in CC-Link IE Field Network)
- If the remote head module is disconnected, it cannot receive synchronous signals from the master station. This state generates an error in the remote head module and stops the cyclic transmission, inter-module synchronization, and CC-Link IE Field Network synchronous communication. After the remote head module is returned, reset the module. ( Page 43 Program)

■Cyclic transmission in master station and remote head module

It takes two inter-module synchronization cycles for the remote head module's input/output refreshing state to be sent.

To synchronize the input/output refreshing between the master station and remote head module, the master station's input/output refreshing must be delayed by two inter-module synchronization cycles.

An inter-module synchronization function FB is provided to absorb the two-cycle input/output difference. Use the inter-module synchronization function FBs to create a program to delay the master station's input/output refreshing by two inter-module synchronization cycles. ( Page 40 Program,  MELSEC iQ-R CPU Module Function Block Reference)

Coordination with multiple CPU system function's fixed scan communication cycle

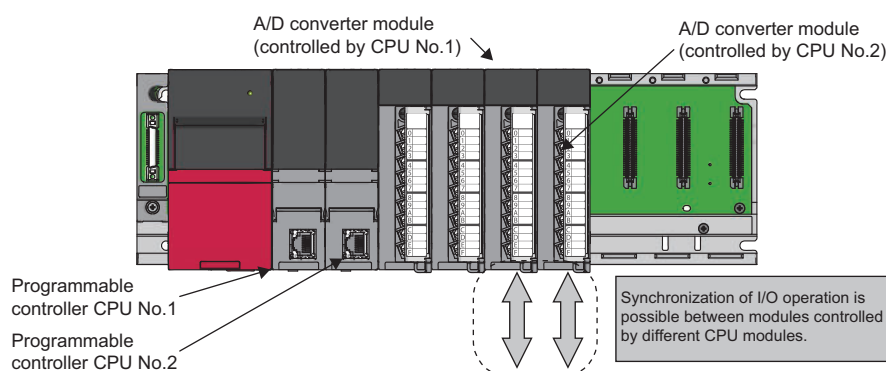
The fixed scan communication cycle for the multiple CPU system function can be set to the inter-module synchronization cycle.

When using C Controller module, refer to the following manual.

📖 MELSEC iQ-R C Controller Module User's Manual (Application)

Programmable controller CPU

By setting the fixed scan communication cycle for the multiple CPU system function to the inter-module synchronization cycle, modules with different control CPUs can input and output in synchronization. Coordination with the fixed scan communication cycle for the multiple CPU system function is set with the parameters. (👉 Page 36 Multiple CPU Settings)



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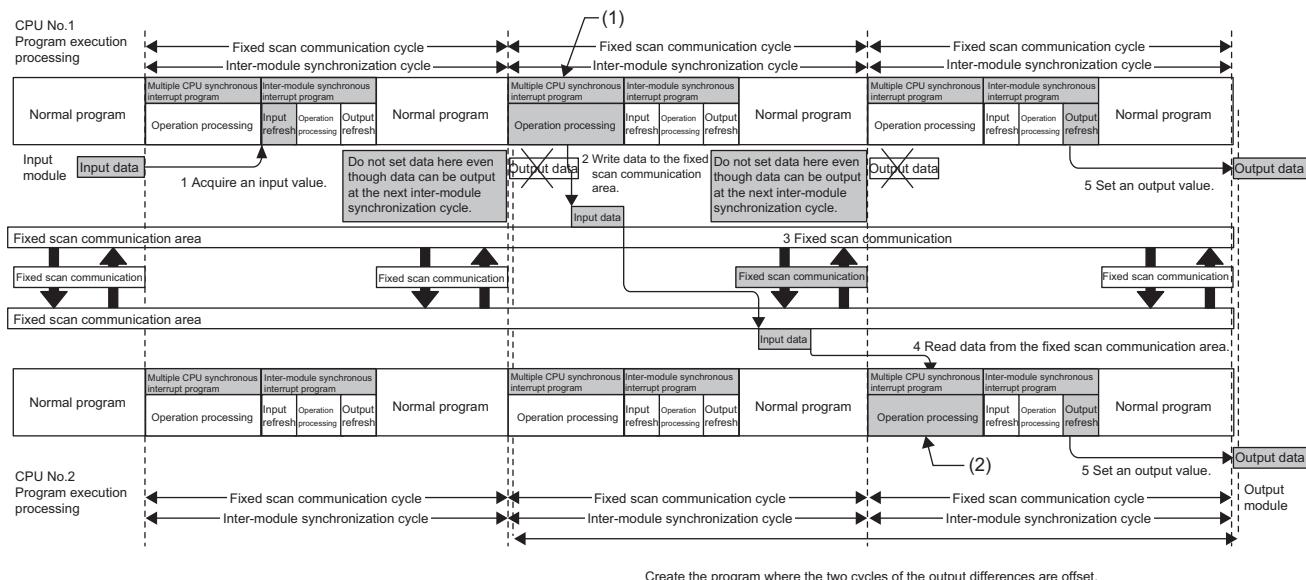
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For details on the multiple CPU system function, refer to the following.

📖 MELSEC iQ-R CPU Module User's Manual (Application)

■Program operation

When the inter-module synchronization cycle is coordinated with the fixed scan communication cycle for the multiple CPU system function, the multiple CPU synchronous interrupt program (I45) and inter-module synchronous interrupt program (I44) are executed between the inter-module synchronization cycles. The programs are executed in the order of multiple CPU synchronous interrupt program (I45) and inter-module synchronous interrupt program (I44). It takes two inter-module synchronization cycles for the host CPU module's retrieval data to reach another CPU module. To synchronize the output between the CPU modules, the output timing from the host's control module must be delayed by two inter-module synchronization cycles.



- (1) Write the input value into the CPU No.1's fixed scan communication area.
- (2) Read the CPU No.1's fixed scan communication area, and set the output value.

Point

An inter-module synchronization function FB is provided to absorb the two-cycle output difference. To delay the output timing of the host's control module by two inter-module synchronization cycles, create a program using the inter-module synchronization function's FB. (MELSEC iQ-R CPU Module Function Block Reference)

■Precautions

This section describes the precautions for coordinating with the multiple CPU system function's fixed scan communication cycle.

- Even if the input/output settings for other than the group are enabled with another CPU module's program, the input or output cannot be retrieved from the synchronization target's module. Data can be read with direct specifications such as the DX, DY, Un\Gn or FROM instructions, but the data might be inconsistent.
- To synchronize the start timings of inter-module synchronization function for all CPU modules and all stations, set the CPU parameter to synchronize the rising of each module, and set the system parameter to synchronize the rising of all CPU modules.
- By setting "Fixed Scan Communication Function and Inter-module Synchronization Function" to "Cooperate" in multiple CPU setting of system parameter, the fixed scan communication cycle of multiple CPU system function operates according to the inter-module synchronization cycle of the inter-module synchronization function, and the both functions are controlled to operate at the same timing. (In this case, the fixed scan communication cycle of multiple CPU system function cannot be set.) Note that the number of program executions is different even though "Cooperate" is set in multiple CPU setting of system parameter, because the start timings of interrupt program executions are different between the inter-module synchronous interrupt (I44) and the multiple CPU synchronous interrupt (I45). For details on the start timings, refer to Page 17 Refresh timing according to CPU module's operation status. For details on the operations of interrupt programs (such as during interrupt disabled time), refer to the MELSEC iQ-R CPU Module User's Manual (Application).
- Control with synchronized timing is not possible without synchronizing with the inter-module synchronization function even if the same value is set for the multiple CPU system function's fixed scan communication cycle and the inter-module synchronization cycle.

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Motion CPU

The execution timing for the motion operation or motion SFC event task (fixed cycle task) is as follows when the multiple CPU system function's fixed scan communication cycle or inter-module synchronization cycle is used.

Item			Inter-module synchronization cycle	
			Disable	Enable
				Do not synchronize with the selected inter-module synchronization target module Synchronize with the selected inter-module synchronization target module
Fixed scan communication cycle for multiple CPU system function	Disable		Cycle unique to Motion CPU	
	Enable	Do not synchronize with inter-module synchronization cycle	Fixed scan communication cycle for multiple CPU system function*1 (Page 30 Timing example 1)	
		Synchronize with inter-module synchronization cycle	Setting not possible	Multiple CPU system function's fixed scan communication cycle = synchronization with inter-module synchronization cycle*1 (Page 30 Timing example 2, Page 30 Timing example 3)

*1 When the motion operation cycle and the multiple CPU system function's fixed scan communication cycle or inter-module synchronization cycle differ, the start timing of the longer cycle is always synchronized with the start timing of the shorter cycle.

Ex.

When using the following setting with programmable controller CPU (CPU No.1) and Motion CPU (CPU No.2)

- Inter-module synchronization cycle = 1.00ms, multiple CPU system function's fixed scan communication cycle = 0.888ms
- Set the Motion CPU (CPU No.2) to "Do Not Synchronize" in the inter-module synchronization target module selection

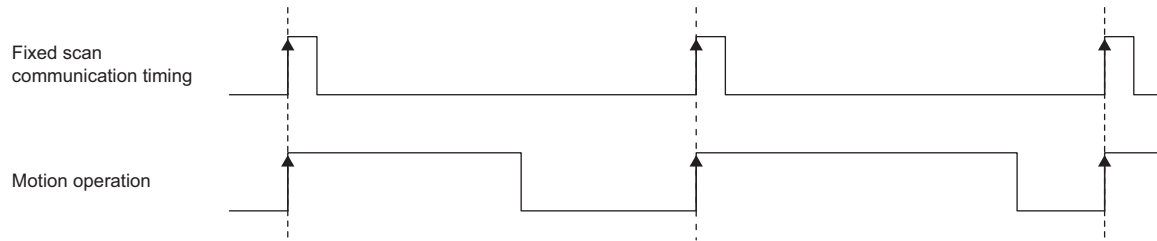
The communication cycle of the programmable controller CPU (CPU No.1) and Motion CPU (CPU No.2) multiple CPU synchronous interrupt program (I45) and CPU buffer memory access device (U3En\HGn) is a 0.888ms cycle.

The programmable controller CPU (CPU No.1) inter-module synchronous interrupt program (I44) has a 1.00ms cycle.

The Motion CPU operation cycle is a cycle synchronized to 0.888ms.

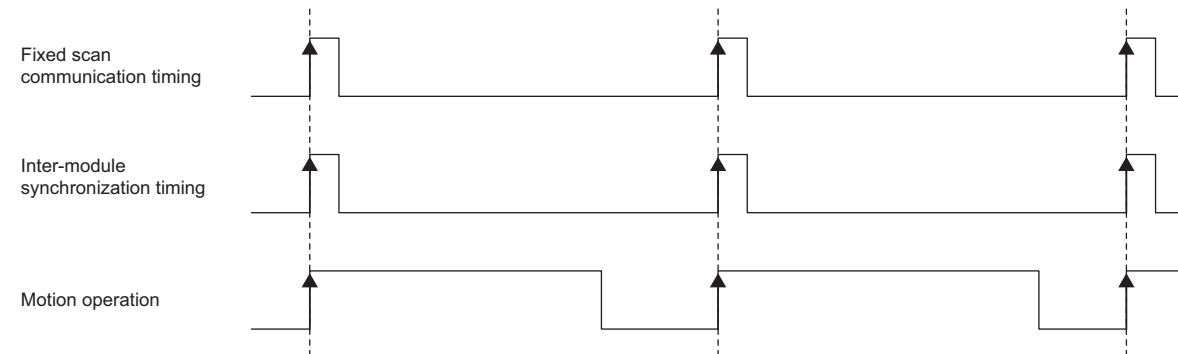
■Timing example 1

Synchronization with multiple CPU system function's fixed scan communication cycle



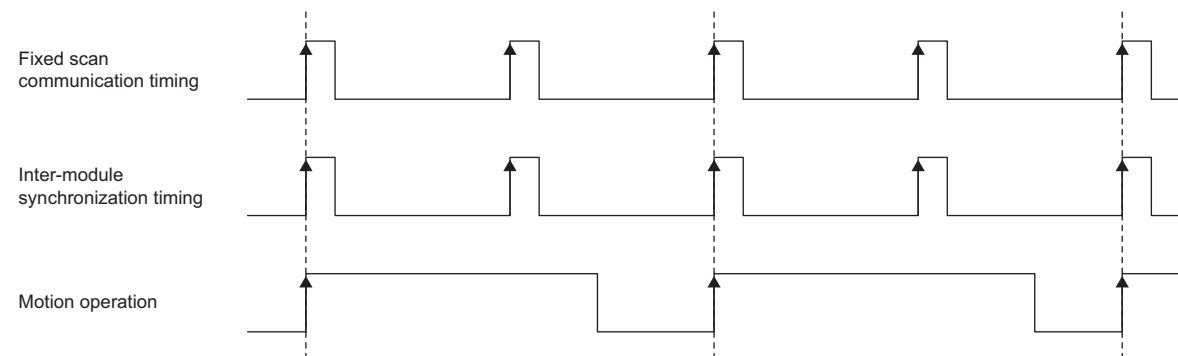
■Timing example 2

When motion operation cycle and inter-module synchronization cycle are equal



■Timing example 3


When motion operation cycle is double the inter-module synchronization cycle



For details on the inter-module synchronization function in the Motion CPU, refer to the following.

📖 Motion CPU manual

CC-Link IE Field Network synchronous communication function

When the devices in the CC-Link IE Field Network are communicating, the send side and receive side timing are synchronized with the inter-module synchronization cycle. The master station parameters must be set to use this function.
( Page 37 Settings in CC-Link IE Field Network)

Restriction

The CC-Link IE Field Network synchronous communication function cannot be used with a redundant system station.

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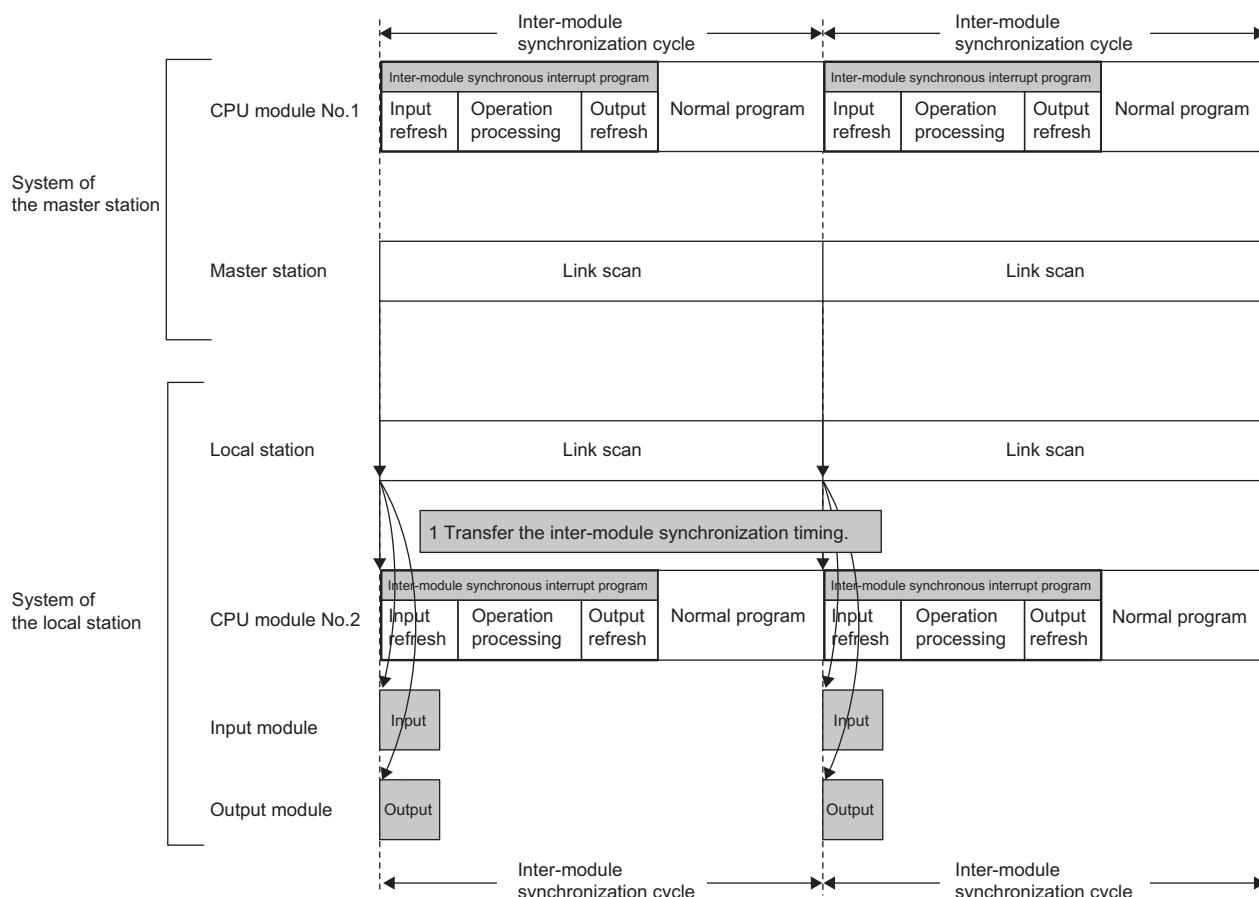
When the system is powered off and on or the CPU module or the remote head module on the local station is reset and set in RUN state, if these modules cannot receive the synchronous signal from the master station, they become a waiting state for synchronization.

These modules cannot perform the CC-Link IE Field Network communications or communications with external devices until they receive the synchronous signal from the master station or the waiting state for synchronization times out because they are in the initial processing state during these periods.

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Master station and local station network synchronous communication

With the CC-Link IE Field Network synchronous communication function, the inter-module synchronization timing for the system in the master station is sent to the local station via the network. The local station sends the inter-module synchronization cycle timing to each module in its own station.

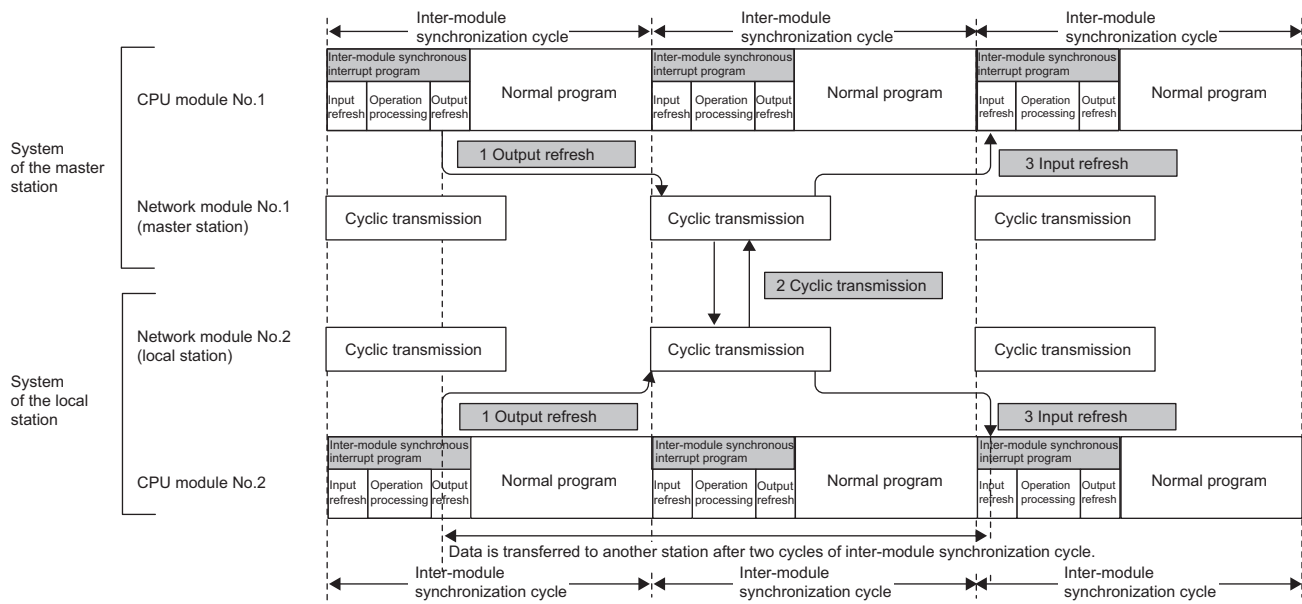


If the local station is disconnected, the disconnected station cannot receive synchronous signals from the master station and this causes an error at the local station. When the error is detected, the CPU module continues or stops the operation according to the CPU module operating status setting for error detection. When the CPU module continues to operate, the inter-module synchronization in the local station continues. However, the CC-Link IE Field Network synchronous communication stops. When the CPU module stops operating, both the CC-Link IE Field Network synchronous communication and the inter-module synchronization in the local station stop.

Regardless of whether the CPU module continues or stops the operation, reset the CPU module of the local station to perform normal synchronization with the master station after the local station is returned. (Page 43 Program)

■Cyclic transmission in master station and local station

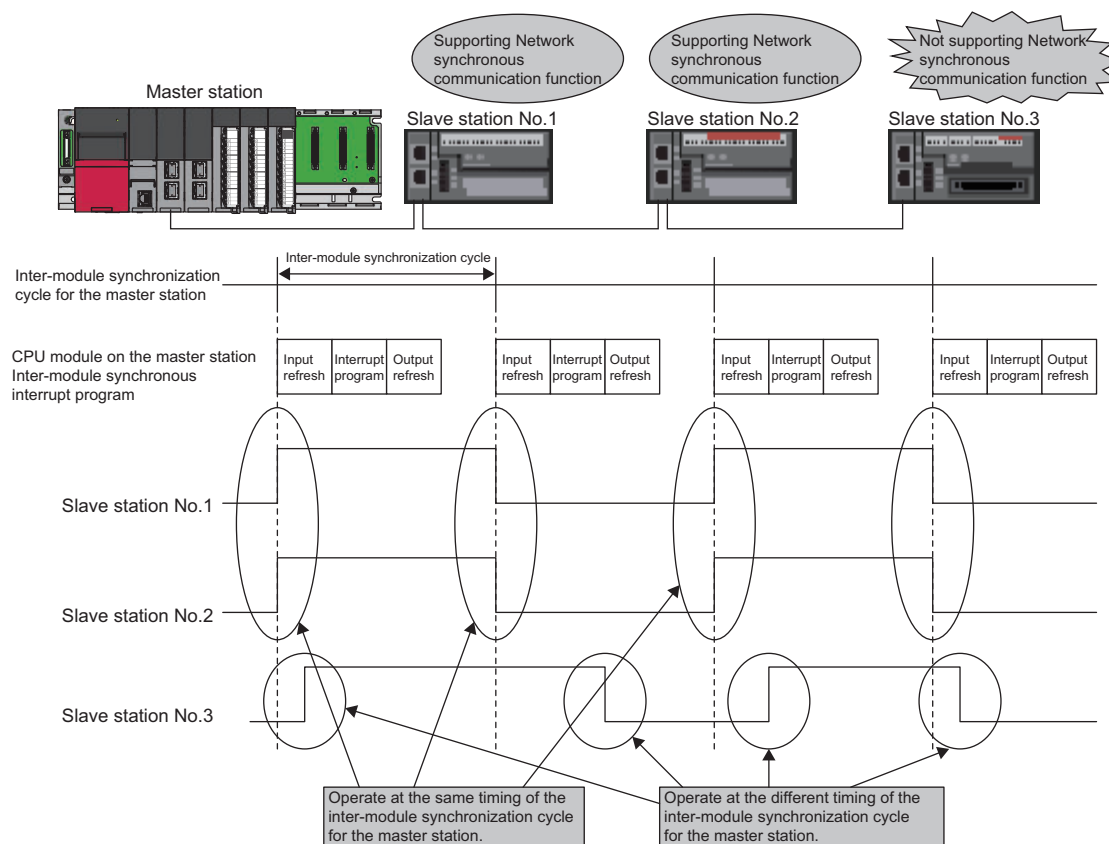
It takes two inter-module synchronization cycles for the local station's input/output refreshing state to be sent. To synchronize the input/output refreshing between the master station and local station, the master station's input/output refreshing must be delayed by two inter-module synchronization cycles.



An inter-module synchronization function FB is provided to absorb the two-cycle input/output difference. Use the inter-module synchronization function FBs to create a program to delay the master station's input/output refreshing by two inter-module synchronization cycles. (Page 40 Program, MELSEC iQ-R CPU Module Function Block Reference)

Network synchronous communication with slave station

Using the CC-Link IE Field Network synchronous communication function, another slave station connected in the same network can be operated in synchronization with the inter-module synchronization cycle.



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Point

- Refer to the following for details on the CC-Link IE Field Network synchronous communication function with the local station.
 ➡ Page 31 Master station and local station network synchronous communication
- Refer to the following for details on the CC-Link IE Field Network synchronous communication function with the slave station.
 📖 Manual for each slave station
- Refer to the following for details on the CC-Link IE Field Network synchronous communication function with the remote head module.
 ➡ Page 25 Remote head module
- If a local station and a slave station other than the remote head module is disconnected, the synchronous signal cannot be received from the master station and the slave station waits for synchronization. After that, when the slave station is returned, the synchronization automatically restarts.

6 PARAMETER SETTINGS

This section describes the parameter settings required to use the inter-module synchronization function.

6.1 Inter-Module Synchronization Setting

Set the module configuration diagram with the engineering tool, and set the inter-module synchronization settings.

 [System Parameter] ⇒ "Inter-module Synchronization Setting" ⇒ "Inter-module Synchronization Setting"

Operating procedure

"Inter-module Synchronization Setting" window

Item	Setting
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Inter-module Synchronization Setting	
Use Inter-module Synchronization Function in System	Use
Select Inter-module Synchronization Target Module	<Detailed Setting>

"Select the Synchronous Target Module" window

Slot	Module Name	Management	Master/Local	Setting
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Main				
CPU	R04CPU(Host Station)	1PLC controlled		Synchronize
CPU	R08CPU	2PLC No.		Synchronize
1(0-1)	RX10	1PLC controlled		Synchronize
2(0-2)	RY10R2	1PLC controlled		Synchronize
3(0-3)	RD77MS2	1PLC controlled		Synchronize

"Inter-module Synchronization Setting" window

Item	Setting
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fixed Scan Interval Setting of Inter-module Synchronization	
0.05ms Unit Setting	Set
Fixed Scan Interval Setting (Not set in 0.05ms unit)	0.888ms
Fixed Scan Interval Setting (Set in 0.05ms unit)	0.50 ms

"Inter-module Synchronization Setting" window

Item	Setting
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Inter-module Synchronization Master Setting	
Synchronous Master Setting of CC IE Field	Set
Mounting Slot No.	0

1. Select "Use" for "Use Inter-module Synchronization Function in System".
2. Click "Detailed Setting" at "Select Inter-module Synchronization Target Module".
3. The modules set in the module configuration diagram appear. Set "Synchronize" in the setting field for the synchronization target module.
4. Set the inter-module synchronization cycle at "Fixed Scan Interval Setting of Inter-module Synchronization".
5. When writing the parameters, write in both the system parameters and module parameters.
6. To use the CC-Link IE Field Network module on the local station as the synchronization target module, set Inter-module Synchronization Master Setting. (For the module on the master station, the setting is not required.)*¹

*1 When a project is created with the remote head module, the setting is not available.

Displayed items


Item		Description	Setting range	Default
Use Inter-module Synchronization Function in System		Sets whether to use the inter-module synchronization function.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not Use • Use 	Not Use
Select Inter-module Synchronization Target Module	Detailed Setting	Sets the module to be synchronized.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do Not Synchronize • Synchronize 	Do Not Synchronize
Fixed Scan Interval Setting of Inter-module Synchronization	0.05ms Unit Setting	Sets whether to set the inter-module synchronization cycle in 0.05ms units.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not Set • Set 	Set
	Fixed Scan Interval Setting (Not set in 0.05ms unit)	When not setting in 0.05ms units, select the inter-module synchronization cycle from the options.*2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0.222ms • 0.444ms • 0.888ms • 1.777ms • 3.555ms • 7.111ms 	0.888ms
	Fixed Scan Interval Setting (Set in 0.05ms unit)	When setting in 0.05ms units, set the inter-module synchronization cycle.*2	0.10 to 10.00ms (0.05ms units)	0.50 ms
Inter-module Synchronization Master Setting*3	Synchronous Master Setting of CC IE Field	When "Set" is selected, the CC-Link IE Field Network module on the local station becomes the inter-module synchronous master. When "Not Set" is selected, the CPU module (CPU module on the extreme left for the multiple CPU system configuration) or remote head module becomes the inter-module synchronous master. (Page 9 Inter-module synchronous master)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not Set • Set 	Not Set
	Mounting Slot No.	Set the mounting slot No. for the CC-Link IE Field Network module on the local station that becomes the inter-module synchronous master.	0 to 11	0

*2 The inter-module synchronization cycle setting range differs according to the module. (Manual for each module)

*3 When a project is created with the remote head module, the setting is not available.

6.2 Multiple CPU Settings

Set when coordinating the inter-module synchronization cycle to the multiple CPU system function's fixed scan communication cycle.


 [System Parameter] ⇒ [Multiple CPU Setting] ⇒ [Communication Setting between CPUs] ⇒ [Fixed Scan Communication Setting]

Window

Item	Setting
<input type="checkbox"/> Fixed Scan Interval Setting of Fixed Scan Communication	
0.05ms Unit Setting	Not Set
Fixed Scan Interval Setting (Not set in 0.05ms unit)	-----
Fixed Scan Interval Setting (Set in 0.05ms unit)	-----
Fixed Scan Communication Function and Inter-module Synch	Cooperate

Displayed items

Item		Description	Setting range	Default
Fixed Scan Interval Setting of Fixed Scan Communication	Fixed Scan Communication Function and Inter-module Synchronization Function	Sets whether to coordinate with the inter-module synchronization cycle and multiple CPU system function's fixed scan communication cycle.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cooperate• Not Cooperated	Not Cooperated

**Point**

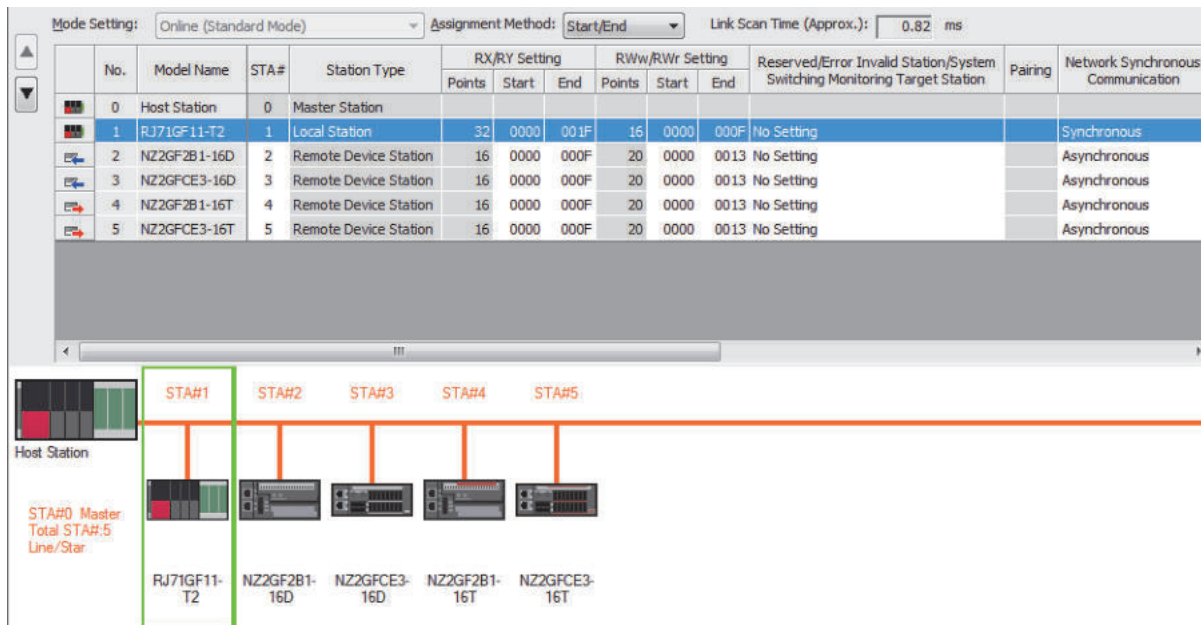
When set to "Cooperate", the fixed scan communication cycle of multiple CPU system function operates according to the inter-module synchronization cycle. (The fixed scan interval setting in the fixed scan communication setting cannot be set.)

6.3 Settings in CC-Link IE Field Network

Set this to synchronize with the inter-module synchronization cycle using the CC-Link IE Field network synchronous communication function. This setting is made in the master station.

 [Module Parameter] ⇒ "Basic Settings" ⇒ "Network Configuration Settings" ⇒ "Detailed Setting"

Window



No.	Model Name	STA#	Station Type	RX/RX Setting			RWw/RWr Setting			Reserved/Error Invalid Station/System Switching Monitoring Target Station	Pairing	Network Synchronous Communication
				Points	Start	End	Points	Start	End			
0	Host Station	0	Master Station									
1	RJ71GF11-T2	1	Local Station	32	0000	001F	16	0000	000F	No Setting		Synchronous
2	NZ2GF2B1-16D	2	Remote Device Station	16	0000	000F	20	0000	0013	No Setting		Asynchronous
3	NZ2GFCE3-16D	3	Remote Device Station	16	0000	000F	20	0000	0013	No Setting		Asynchronous
4	NZ2GF2B1-16T	4	Remote Device Station	16	0000	000F	20	0000	0013	No Setting		Asynchronous
5	NZ2GFCE3-16T	5	Remote Device Station	16	0000	000F	20	0000	0013	No Setting		Asynchronous

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Displayed items

Item	Description	Setting range	Default
Network Synchronous Communication	Sets whether to coordinate the inter-module synchronization cycle with the CC-Link IE Field Network synchronous communication function.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Asynchronous Synchronous 	Asynchronous

Point

- Set the ring device assignments so the network synchronous communication target station and non-target station are in succession. If these are not in succession, the time for the refreshing process at the inter-module synchronization interrupt will take longer.

No.	RX/RX Setting		RWw/RWr Setting		Network Synchronous Communication
	Start	End	Start	End	
0					
1	0000	00FF	0000	00FF	Synchronous
2	0100	01FF	0100	01FF	Asynchronous
3	0200	02FF	0200	02FF	Synchronous
4	0300	03FF	0300	03FF	Asynchronous
5	0400	04FF	0400	04FF	Synchronous

Refresh takes longer because a synchronous area and an asynchronous area comes alternately.

No.	RX/RX Setting		RWw/RWr Setting		Network Synchronous Communication
	Start	End	Start	End	
0					
1	0000	00FF	0000	00FF	Synchronous
2	0100	01FF	0100	01FF	Synchronous
3	0200	02FF	0200	02FF	Synchronous
4	0300	03FF	0300	03FF	Asynchronous
5	0400	04FF	0400	04FF	Asynchronous

Refresh takes shorter because the same areas (synchronous or asynchronous) come continuously.

- For local stations and slave stations other than the remote head module, parameters must be set individually. Refer to the manual for each slave station for details.

7 PROGRAM EXAMPLES

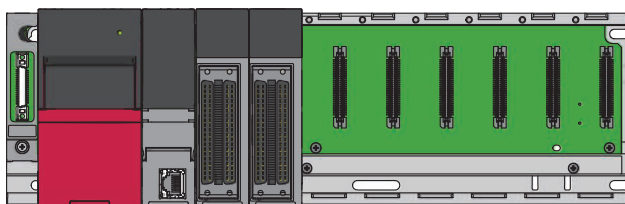
This section shows examples of the inter-module synchronization function.

7.1 For Single CPU System Configuration

An example of the program that starts at the inter-module synchronization cycle for multiple positioning modules is shown below. (This program starts axis 1 of each positioning module simultaneously.)

System configuration

The following system configuration is used.



- CPU module: R08CPU
- Positioning module: RD75D4, RD75P4

Programming condition

It is assumed that there are no errors in the positioning module settings.

Parameter setting

This table shows the details of the inter-module synchronization settings.

Item	Description
Use Inter-module Synchronization Function in System	Select "Use".
Select Inter-module Synchronization Target Module	Select "Synchronize" for all.
Fixed Scan Interval Setting	0.888ms (select "Not set in 0.05ms unit".)

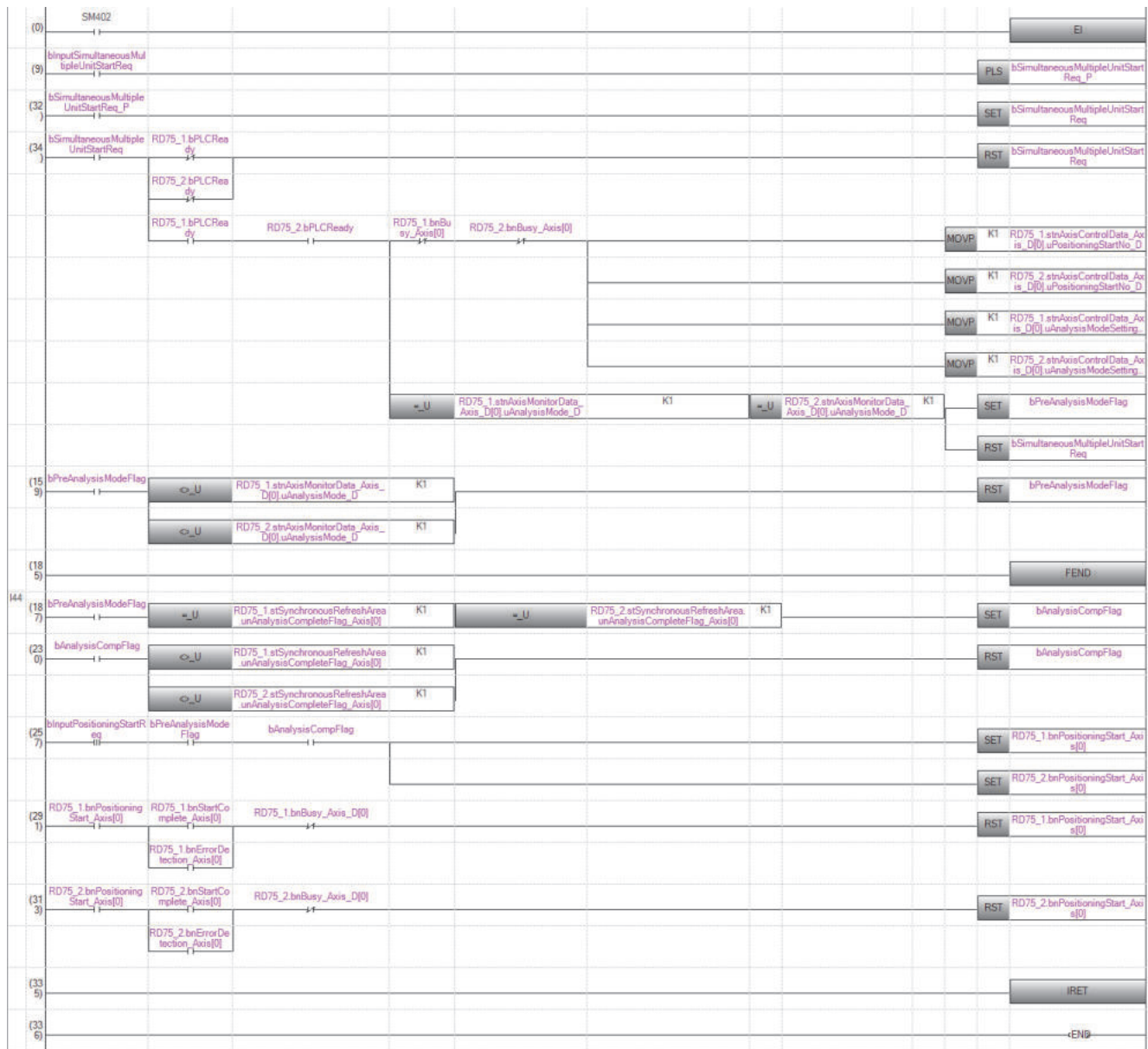
The default setting is used for each module's refresh setting.

Applicable labels

This table shows the labels used in this program example.

Classification	Label name	Description	Device																	
Module label	RD75_1.bPLCReady	RW: Programmable controller ready	Y0																	
	RD75_2.bPLCReady	RW: Programmable controller ready	Y20																	
	RD75_1.bnBusy_Axis[0]	R: BUSY	X0C																	
	RD75_2.bnBusy_Axis[0]	R: BUSY	X2C																	
	RD75_1.stnAxisControlData_Axis_D[0].uPositioningStartNo_D	RW: Positioning start number (direct)	U0\G1500																	
	RD75_2.stnAxisControlData_Axis_D[0].uPositioningStartNo_D	RW: Positioning start number (direct)	U2\G1500																	
	RD75_1.stnAxisControlData_Axis_D[0].uAnalysisModeSetting_D	RW: Analysis mode setting (direct)	U0\G1590																	
	RD75_2.stnAxisControlData_Axis_D[0].uAnalysisModeSetting_D	RW: Analysis mode setting (direct)	U2\G1590																	
	RD75_1.stnAxisMonitorData_Axis_D[0].uAnalysisMode_D	R: Analysis mode (direct)	U0\G857																	
	RD75_2.stnAxisMonitorData_Axis_D[0].uAnalysisMode_D	R: Analysis mode (direct)	U2\G857																	
	RD75_1.stSynchronousRefreshArea.unAnalysisCompleteFlag_Axis[0]	R: Analysis complete flag	—																	
	RD75_2.stSynchronousRefreshArea.unAnalysisCompleteFlag_Axis[0]	R: Analysis complete flag	—																	
	RD75_1.bnPositioningStart_Axis[0]	RW: Positioning start	Y10																	
	RD75_2.bnPositioningStart_Axis[0]	RW: Positioning start	Y30																	
	RD75_1.bnStartComplete_Axis[0]	R: Start complete	X10																	
	RD75_1.bnErrorDetection_Axis[0]	R: Error detection	X8																	
	RD75_1.bnBusy_Axis_D[0]	R: BUSY (direct)	DX0C																	
	RD75_2.bnStartComplete_Axis[0]	R: Start complete	X30																	
	RD75_2.bnErrorDetection_Axis[0]	R: Error detection	X28																	
	RD75_2.bnBusy_Axis_D[0]	R: BUSY (direct)	DX2C																	
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To shorten the inter-module synchronous interrupt program's processing time, perform the positioning start processing with the inter-module synchronous interrupt program, and perform the other processing with the normal program.

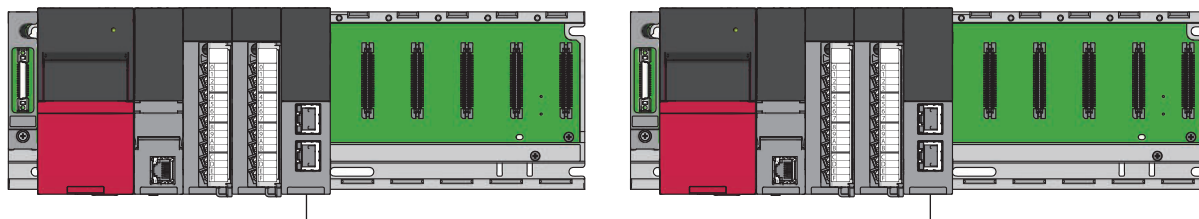


7.2 For Network Configuration

The following is an example of a program that outputs to the adjacent output module and multiple output modules via the network at the inter-module synchronization cycle timing.

System configuration

The following system configuration is used.



Master station side

- CPU module: R120CPU
- Each module: RX10, RY40NT5P, RJ71GF11-T2

Local station side

- CPU module: R04CPU
- Each module: RY40NT5P, RY40NT5P, RJ71GF11-T2

Parameter setting

This section shows the details of each parameter setting.

Master station side

This section shows the details of the master station side parameter settings.

■Inter-module synchronization setting

This table shows the details of the inter-module synchronization settings.

Item	Description
Use Inter-module Synchronization Function in System	Select "Use".
Select Inter-module Synchronization Target Module	Select "Synchronize" for all.
Fixed Scan Interval Setting	1.00ms (select "Set in 0.05ms unit")

■Network configuration setting

Add the local station with the network configuration settings.

Set "Network Synchronous Communication" to "Synchronous".

■Refresh settings

Set the transmission range between the RJ71GF11-T2 and the CPU module devices.

[Module Parameter] ⇒ "Basic Settings" ⇒ "Refresh Settings"

No.	Link Side					CPU Side				
	Device Name	Points	Start	End		Target	Device Name	Points	Start	End
-	SB	512	00000	001FF	↔	Module Label				
-	SW	512	00000	001FF	↔	Module Label				
1	RX	32	00000	0001F	↔	Specify Device	X	32	01000	0101F
2	RY	32	00000	0001F	↔	Specify Device	Y	32	01000	0101F
3	RWr	16	00000	0000F	↔	Specify Device	W	16	00000	0000F
4	RWw	16	00000	0000F	↔	Specify Device	W	16	01000	0100F

Local station side

The table shows the details of the local station side parameters.

■Inter-module synchronization setting

This table shows the details of the inter-module synchronization settings. Set the same details as the master station side.

Item	Description
Use Inter-module Synchronization Function in System	Select "Use".
Select Inter-module Synchronization Target Module	Select "Synchronize" for all.
Fixed Scan Interval Setting	1.00ms (select "Set in 0.05ms unit")
Inter-module Synchronization Master Setting	Synchronous Master Setting of CC IE Field: "Set", Mounting Slot No.: 2


■Operation related setting

This table shows the details of the operation related setting in the CPU parameter.

Item	Description
Remote Reset Setting	Select "Enable".

■Refresh settings

Set the transmission range between the RJ71GF11-T2 and the CPU module devices. Set the same value as the master station side.

 [Module Parameter] ⇒ "Basic Settings" ⇒ "Refresh Settings"

No.	Link Side					CPU Side				
	Device Name	Points	Start	End		Target	Device Name	Points	Start	End
-	SB	512	00000	001FF	↔	Module Label				
-	SW	512	00000	001FF	↔	Module Label				
1	RX	32	00000	0001F	↔	Specify Device	X	32	01000	0101F
2	RY	32	00000	0001F	↔	Specify Device	Y	32	01000	0101F
3	RWfr	16	00000	0000F	↔	Specify Device	W	16	00000	0000F
4	RWw	16	00000	0000F	↔	Specify Device	W	16	01000	0100F

Applicable labels

This table shows the labels used in this program example.

Master station side

This section shows the labels used by the master station.

Classification	Label name	Description	Device
Module label	GF11_1.bSts_BatonPassError	Own station baton pass status	SB0047
	GF11_1.bnOp_Synchronous_Station[1]	Each station synchronous/asynchronous operation status information (station No.1)	SW01C8 to SW01CF
Defined labels	Define the global labels the following manner.		
	Label Name	Data Type	Class
	bnInput1	Bit(0..15)	VAR_GLOBAL
	bnOutput1	Bit(0..15)	VAR_GLOBAL
	bnStation1_Output1	Bit(0..15)	VAR_GLOBAL
	bnStation1_Output2	Bit(0..15)	VAR_GLOBAL
	bStation1_Reset	Bit	VAR_GLOBAL
	bRunRemoteReset	Bit	VAR_GLOBAL
	bReset_OK	Bit	VAR_GLOBAL
	bReset_NG	Bit	VAR_GLOBAL
	wResetErrID	Word [Unsigned]/Bit String [16-bit]	VAR_GLOBAL

Local station side

This section shows the labels used on the local station side.

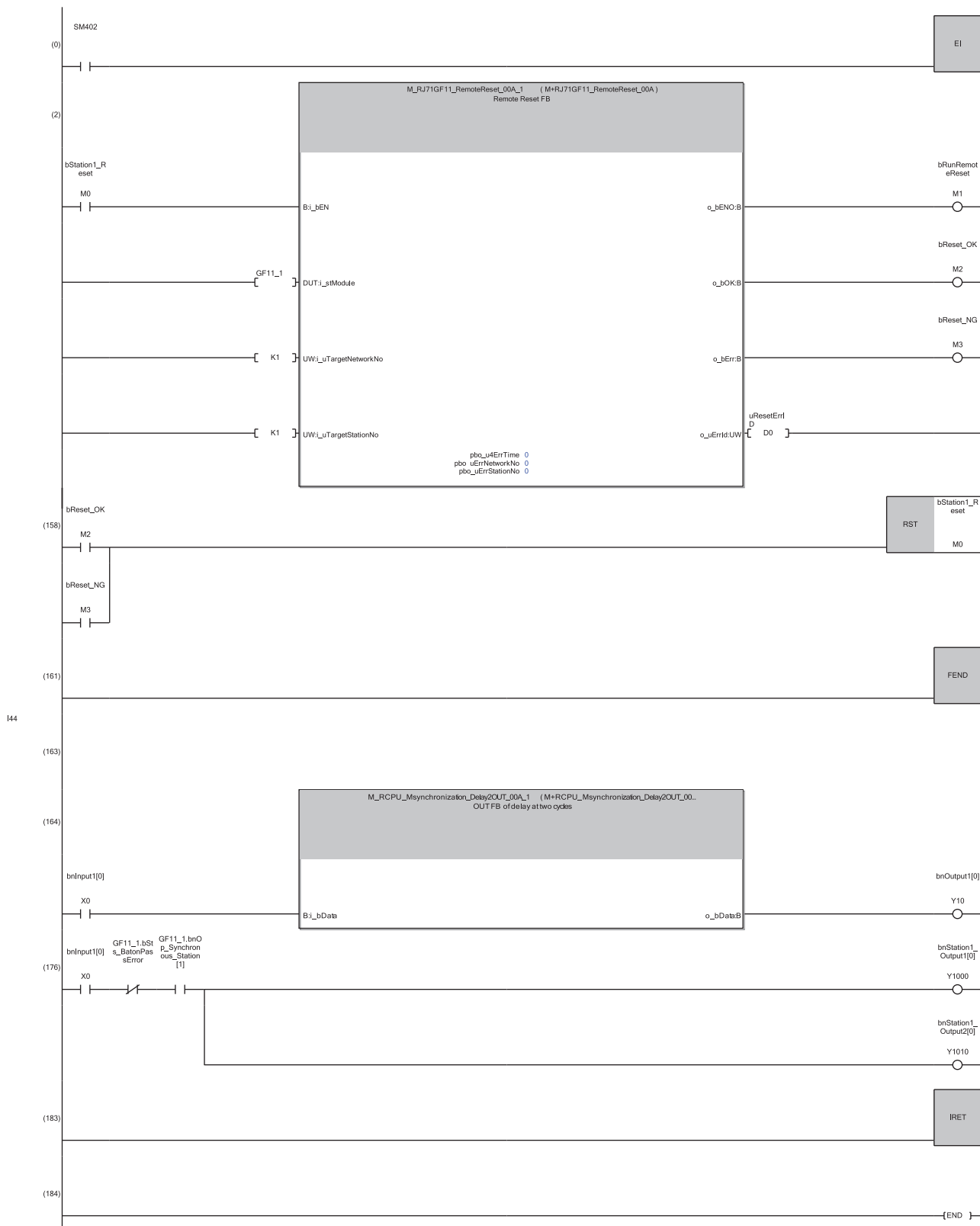
Classification	Label name	Description	Device
Defined labels	Define the global labels the following manner.		
	Label Name	Data Type	Class
	bnStation1_Output1	Bit(0..15)	VAR_GLOBAL
	bnStation1_Output2	Bit(0..15)	VAR_GLOBAL
	bnOutput1	Bit(0..15)	VAR_GLOBAL
	bnOutput2	Bit(0..15)	VAR_GLOBAL

Program

The master station CPU module instructs the local station system output, and with this instruction, the master station system output and local station system output are performed at the same inter-module synchronization cycle timing. It takes two inter-module synchronization cycles from when the master station CPU module instructs the local station CPU module until output is performed from the local station system. Thus, to perform output from a module nearest the master station, start it using the inter-module synchronization function FB after two inter-module synchronization cycles. (📖 MELSEC iQ-R CPU Module Function Block Reference) When the CC-Link IE Field Network synchronous communication stops due to disconnection of the local station, reset the local station from the master station using the remote reset FB after the local station is returned. (📖 MELSEC iQ-R Ethernet/CC-Link IE Function Block Reference)

Master station side		Slave station side	
1	2	1	2
3	4	3	4
5	6	5	6
7	8	7	8
9	10	9	10
11	12	11	12
13	14	13	14
15	16	15	16
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This section shows the master station side program.



Local station side

This section shows the local station side program.




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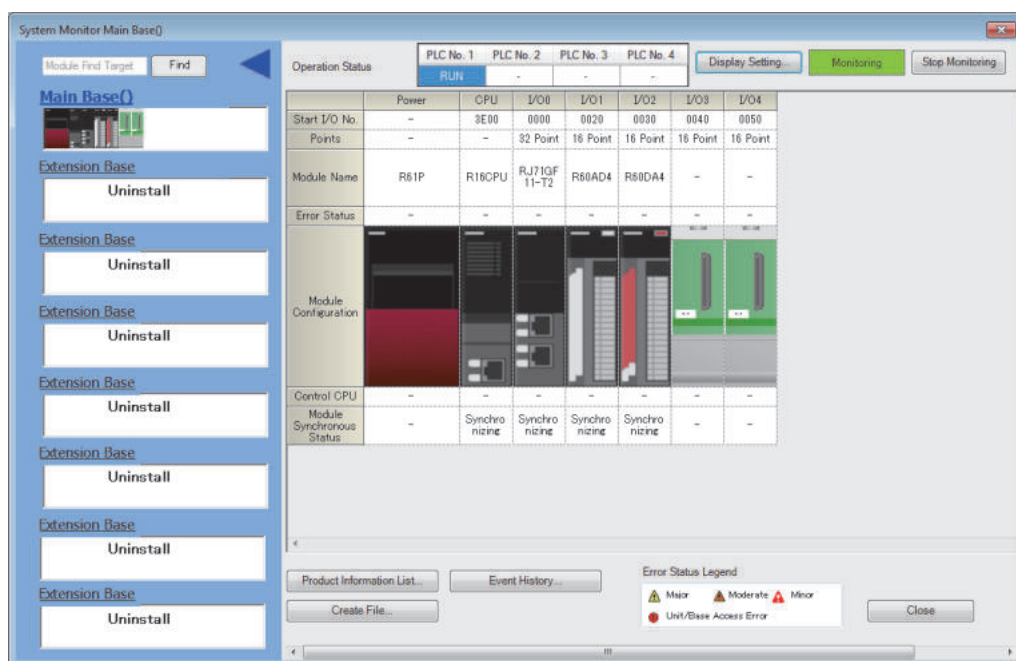
This section describes troubleshooting for the inter-module synchronization function.

8.1 Error Processing and Recovery Methods

This section shows the abnormal process detection and recovery methods used when an error occurs with the inter-module synchronization function. The inter-module synchronization function's synchronization state can be confirmed on the system monitor.

 [Diagnostics] ⇒ [System Monitor]

Window



Displayed items

Item	Description	Setting range	Default
Inter-module synchronization state	<p>Shows the synchronization state of the inter-module synchronization function.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Synchronizing: Shows that the inter-module synchronization function is operating. • Preparing: Shows that the inter-module synchronization function is in the pre-operation preparation stage. • Error: Appears when an error occurs with the inter-module synchronization function. • —: Appears when the inter-module synchronization function is disabled or when the module is not supported. 	—	—

Inter-module synchronous interrupt program does not run

Check the following if the inter-module synchronous interrupt program does not run.

Confirmation items	Action
Is the inter-module synchronization setting enabled?	Enable the inter-module synchronization setting if it is not enabled. (☞ Page 34 Inter-Module Synchronization Setting)
Does an inter-module synchronous interrupt program present?	If the inter-module synchronous interrupt program is not present, add one.
Is the CPU module set to RUN?	Set the CPU module to RUN if it is not already set.
Is interrupt permitted?	Execute the EI instruction if it hasn't been executed yet.
Has the inter-module synchronous interrupt program been registered?	When C Controller module is used, register and enable the inter-module synchronous interrupt program using the C Controller module dedicated function. (☞ MELSEC iQ-R C Controller Module User's Manual (Application))

Point

The inter-module synchronous interrupt program operating status can be checked with the interrupt program monitor list. (☞ GX Works3 Operating Manual)

A specific module is not synchronized

Check the following if a specific module does not run.

Confirmation items	Action
Is the inter-module synchronization function target module set?	Set the inter-module synchronization target module if it is not set yet. (☞ Page 34 Inter-Module Synchronization Setting)
Is refresh set?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check whether a module label is used in the inter-module synchronization function and whether the refresh destination device is used in the inter-module synchronous interrupt program. • Review the refresh settings.

Point


Synchronization of an arbitrary module can be confirmed with the system monitor. (☞ Page 46 Error Processing and Recovery Methods)

8.2 RAS Function

Shows the RAS functions related to the inter-module synchronization function.

Inter-module synchronous interrupt program execution time monitor

The error detection setting is used to monitor the inter-module synchronous interrupt program's execution time. Set whether to detect an error related to the inter-module synchronous interrupt program's execution time. When an error is detected, the number of cycle overs is stored in SD480. For details on the setting method of error detection setting and special register, refer to the following.

 MELSEC iQ-R CPU Module User's Manual (Application)

Point

When synchronizing via a network module, even if an error is detected at the master station's CPU module is till not be detected at the local station. Therefore, to stop the local station when an error occurs, prepare a program to monitor the master station status using the network module's link special registers, etc.

Inter-module synchronization signal error monitoring

Each module monitors for errors in the inter-module signal cycle, and generates a moderate error if an error is detected. The CPU module can monitor for errors in the inter-module synchronization signal with SM488.

Monitor of output exceeding inter-module synchronization cycle

The D/A converter module monitors whether the output preparation process is completed before the next inter-module synchronization cycle. If the inter-module synchronous interrupt program does not complete before the next inter-module synchronization cycle starts, an error will occur even if the output preparation process has not started. If the output preparation process is constantly delayed, a cycle over will always occur. Set the inter-module synchronization cycle to a value at which the D/A converter module's output conversion can accurately finish.

Cyclic monitor

The CC-Link IE Field Network master/local module's master station monitors whether the cyclic transmission is completed before the next inter-module synchronization cycle. If the inter-module synchronous interrupt program does not complete before the next inter-module synchronization cycle starts, an error will occur even if the cyclic transmission process has not started. If the cyclic transmission process is constantly delayed, a cycle over will always occur. Set the inter-module synchronization cycle to a value higher than the link scan time.


APPENDIX

Appendix 1 Processing Time

This section describes the processing time.

Overhead time for executing interrupt program

The overhead time for executing the inter-module synchronous interrupt program between modules differs according to each CPU module.

 Each CPU module manual

Refresh processing time

For details on the refresh processing time, refer to the following.

 Manual for each module

Instruction processing time in interrupt program

For details on the instruction processing time in the interrupt program, refer to the following.

 MELSEC iQ-R Programming Manual (Instructions, Standard Functions/Function Blocks)

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