

MITSUBISHI Electric Corporation

MELSEC Q Series

Computer Link Driver

Supported version

TOP Design Studio

V1.0 or higher



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1. System configuration

The system configuration of TOP and "MITSUBISHI Electric Corporation - MELSEC Q Computer Link" is as follows.

Series	CPU	Link I/F	Communication method	Communication setting	Cable
MELSEC Q	All CPUs	QJ71C24	RS-232C	3. TOP communication setting 4. External device setting	5. Cable table
		QJ71C24-R2			
		QJ71C24-R4	RS-422/485		
		QJ71C24N			
		QJ71C24N-R2			
MELSEC iQ-R	All CPUs	QJ71C24N-R4	RS-232C		
		RJ71C24			
		RJ71C24-R2	RS-422/485		
RJ71C24-R4					

※ In case of communication module QJ71C24, QJ71C24-R2, or QJ71C24-R4, pay attention to the following items.

- (1) In case of using a communication card, set the sum of channel 1 and channel 2 communication speed to **115200_[BPS]** or less.
- (2) It is not possible to use with Q□□UDE□ CPU.

■ Connectable configuration

- 1:1 connection

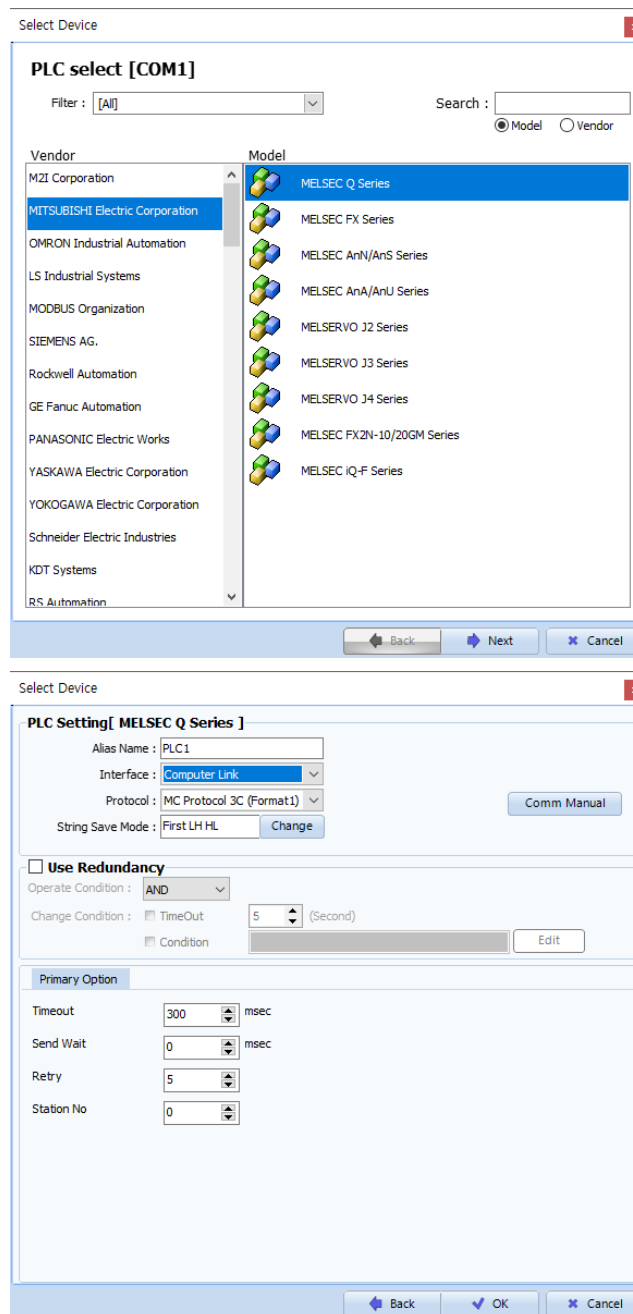


- 1:N connection



2. External device selection

- Select a TOP model and a port, and then select an external device.



Settings		Contents											
TOP	Model	Check the display and process of TOP to select the touch model.											
External device	Vendor	Select the vendor of the external device to be connected to TOP. Please select "MITSUBISHI Electric Corporation".											
	PLC	Select an external device to connect to TOP. <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Model</th> <th>Interface</th> <th>Protocol</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>MELSEC Q Series</td> <td>Computer Link</td> <td>Set Users</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="3">Supported Protocol</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>MC Protocol 3C (Format 1)</td> <td>MC Protocol 3C (Format 4)</td> <td>MC Protocol 4C (Format 5) (RS-485 not supported)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> Please check the system configuration in Chapter 1 to see if the external device you want to connect is a model whose system can be configured.	Model	Interface	Protocol	MELSEC Q Series	Computer Link	Set Users	Supported Protocol			MC Protocol 3C (Format 1)	MC Protocol 3C (Format 4)
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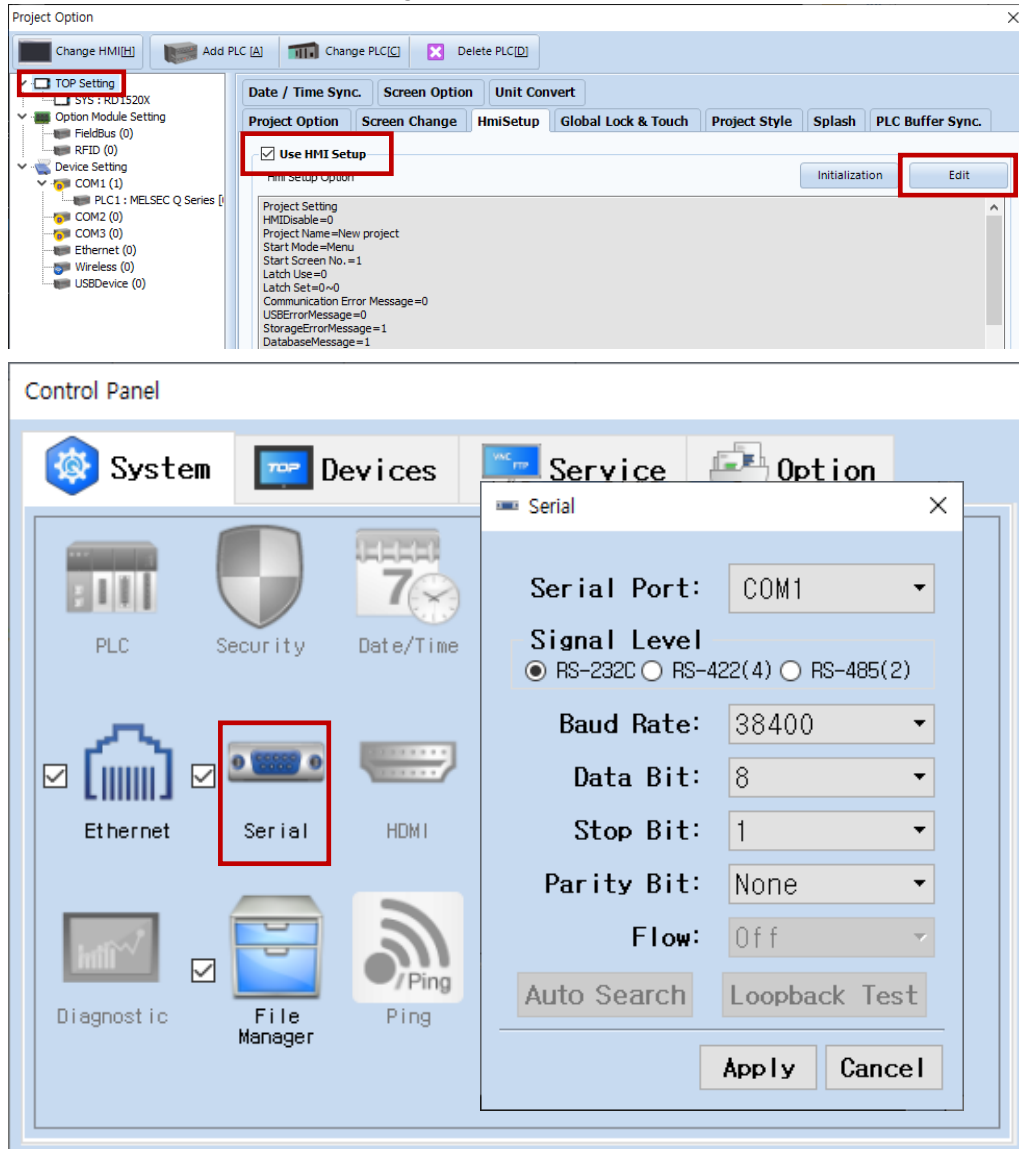
3. TOP communication setting

The communication can be set in TOP Design Studio or TOP system menu.

3.1 Communication setting in TOP Design Studio

(1) Communication interface setting

- [Project] → [Property] → [TOP Setting] → [HMI Setup] → [Use HMI Setup Check] → [Edit] → [Serial]
- Set the TOP communication interface in TOP Design Studio.



Items	TOP	External device	Remarks
Signal Level (port)	RS-232C RS-422/485	RS-232C RS-422/485	
Baud Rate	38400		
Data Bit	8		
Stop Bit	1		
Parity Bit	None.		

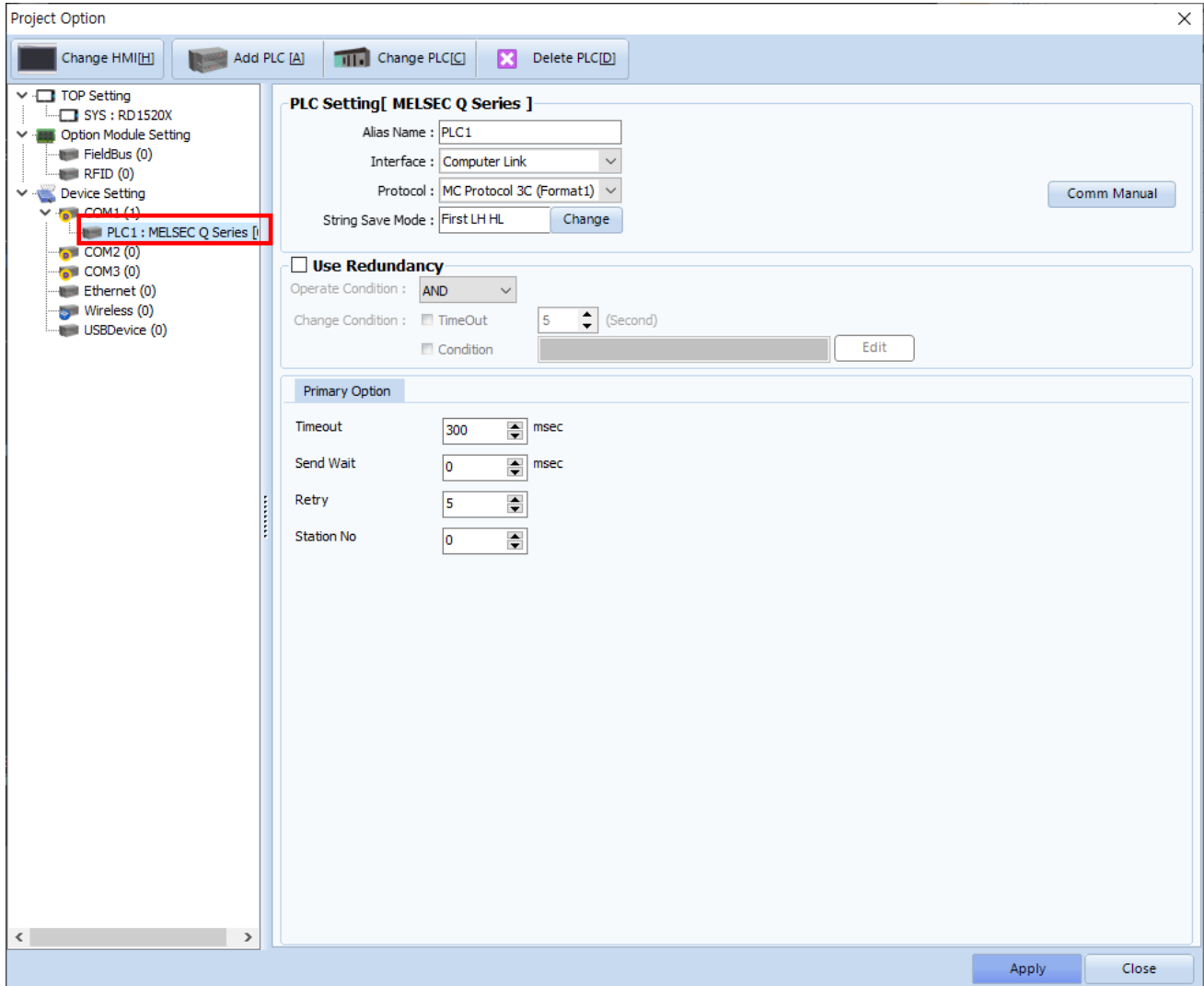
* The above settings are examples recommended by the company.

Items	Description
Signal Level	Select the serial communication method between the TOP and an external device. (COM3 supports only RS-485.)
Baud Rate	Select the serial communication speed between the TOP and an external device.
Data Bit	Select the serial communication data bit between the TOP and an external device.
Stop Bit	Select the serial communication stop bit between the TOP and an external device.
Parity Bit	Select the serial communication parity bit check method between the TOP and an external device.

(2) Communication option setting

■ [Project] → [Project properties] → [PLC settings > COM > MELSEC Q Series]

– Set the options of the communication driver of MELSEC Q Series Computer Link in TOP Design Studio.

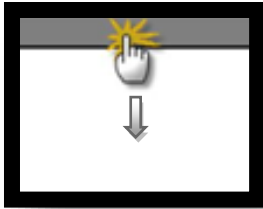


Items	Settings	Remarks
Interface	Select "Computer Link".	Refer to "2. External device selection".
Protocol	Select the communication protocol between the TOP and an external device.	
TimeOut (ms)	Set the time to wait for a response from an external device.	
SendWait (ms)	Set the waiting time before sending a data request to an external device.	
Station No	Enter the prefix of an external device.	

3.2. Communication setting in TOP

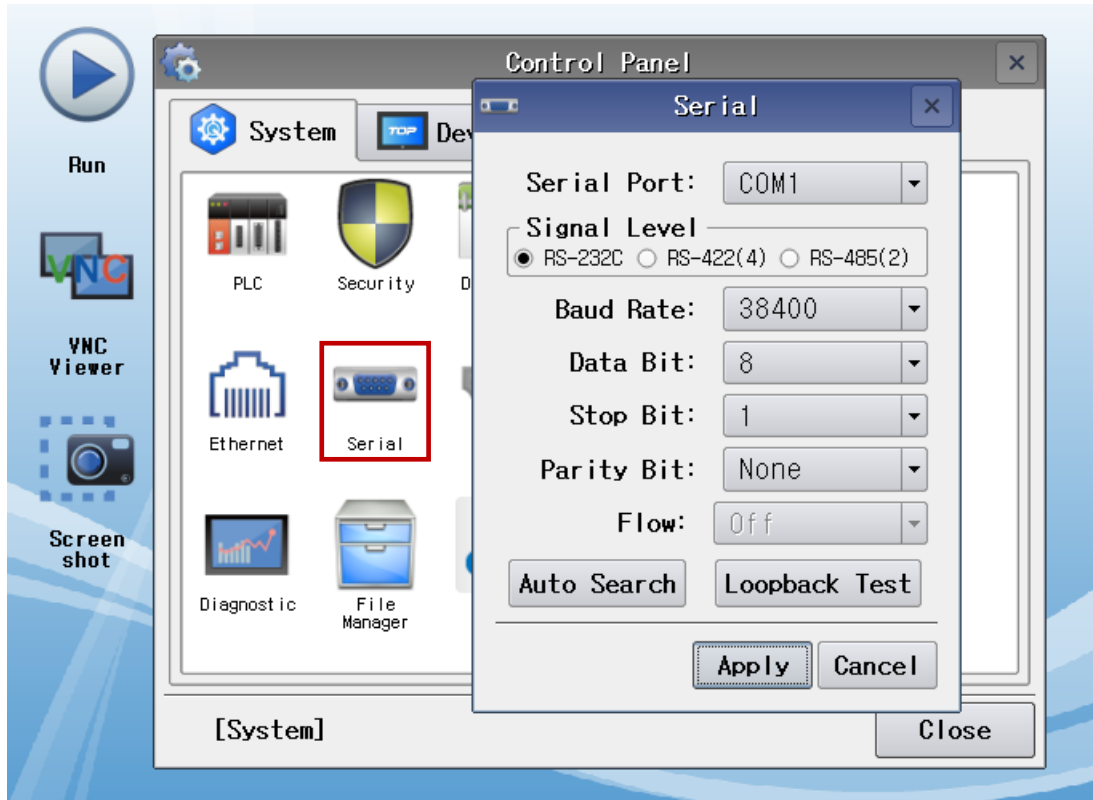
* This is a setting method when "Use HMI Setup" in the setting items in "3.1 TOP Design Studio" is not checked.

- Touch the top of the TOP screen and drag it down. Touch "EXIT" in the pop-up window to go to the main screen.



(1) Communication interface setting

- [Main screen > Control panel > Serial]



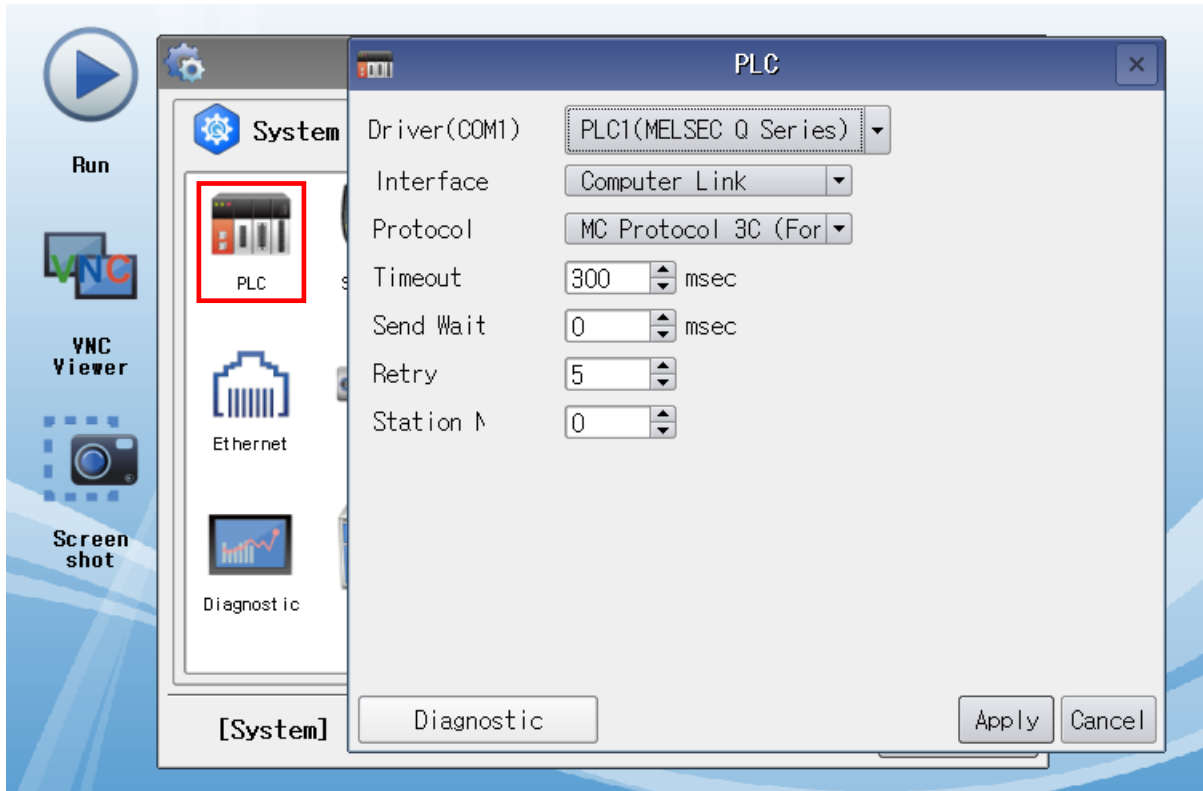
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(2) Communication option setting

■ [Control Panel] → [PLC]



Items	Settings	Remarks
Interface	Select "Computer Link".	Refer to "2. External device selection".
Protocol	Select the communication protocol between the TOP and an external device.	
TimeOut (ms)	Set the time to wait for a response from an external device.	
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3.3 Communication diagnostics

- Check the interface setting status between the TOP and an external device.
 - Touch the top of the TOP screen and drag it down. Touch "EXIT" in the pop-up window to go to the main screen.
 - Check that the settings of the connected ports in [Control Panel] → [Serial] are the same as the settings of the external device.

- Diagnosis of whether the port communication is normal or not
 - Touch "Communication diagnostics" in [Control Panel] → [PLC].
 - Check whether communication is connected or not.

Communication diagnostics succeeded	Communication setting normal
Error message	Communication setting abnormal - Check the cable, TOP, and external device settings. (Refer to Communication diagnostics sheet.)

- Communication diagnostics sheet
 - If there is a problem with the communication connection with an external terminal, please check the settings in the sheet below.

Items	Contents	Check		Remarks	
System configuration	How to connect the system	OK	NG	1. System configuration	
	Connection cable name	OK	NG		
TOP	Version information	OK	NG	2. External device selection 3. Communication setting	
	Port in use	OK	NG		
	Driver name	OK	NG		
	Other detailed settings	OK	NG		
	Relative prefix	Project setting	OK		NG
		Communication diagnostics	OK		NG
	Serial Parameter	Transmission Speed	OK		NG
Data Bit		OK	NG		
Stop Bit		OK	NG		
Parity Bit		OK	NG		
External device	CPU name	OK	NG	4. External device setting	
	Communication port name (module name)	OK	NG		
	Protocol (mode)	OK	NG		
	Setup Prefix	OK	NG		
	Other detailed settings	OK	NG		
	Serial Parameter	Transmission Speed	OK		NG
		Data Bit	OK		NG
		Stop Bit	OK		NG
Parity Bit		OK	NG		
	Check address range	OK	NG	6. Supported addresses	

4. External device setting

For more detailed setting methods than described in this example, refer to the PLC user manual.

4.1 Setting in GX Developer

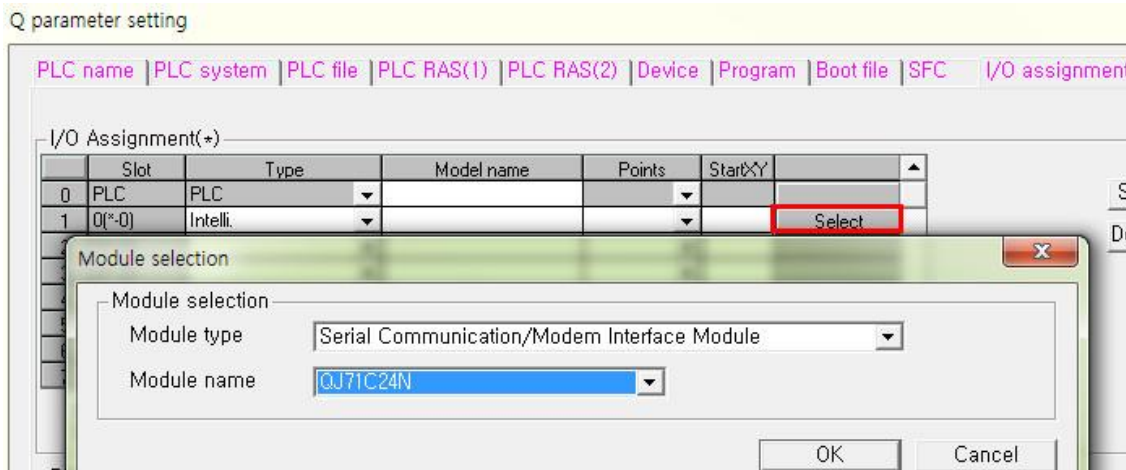
Step 1. Double-click [Parameter] > [PLC parameter] in the "GX Developer" project window to pop-up the [Q parameter setting] Dialog Box.

Step 2. Select the [I/O Assignment] tab in the [Q parameter setting] Dialog Box.

Step 3. Set the [Type] of slots equipped with a communication module to **Intelligent** in the [I/O Assignment(*)] box.

Step 4. Click Select in the [I/O Assignment(*)] box.

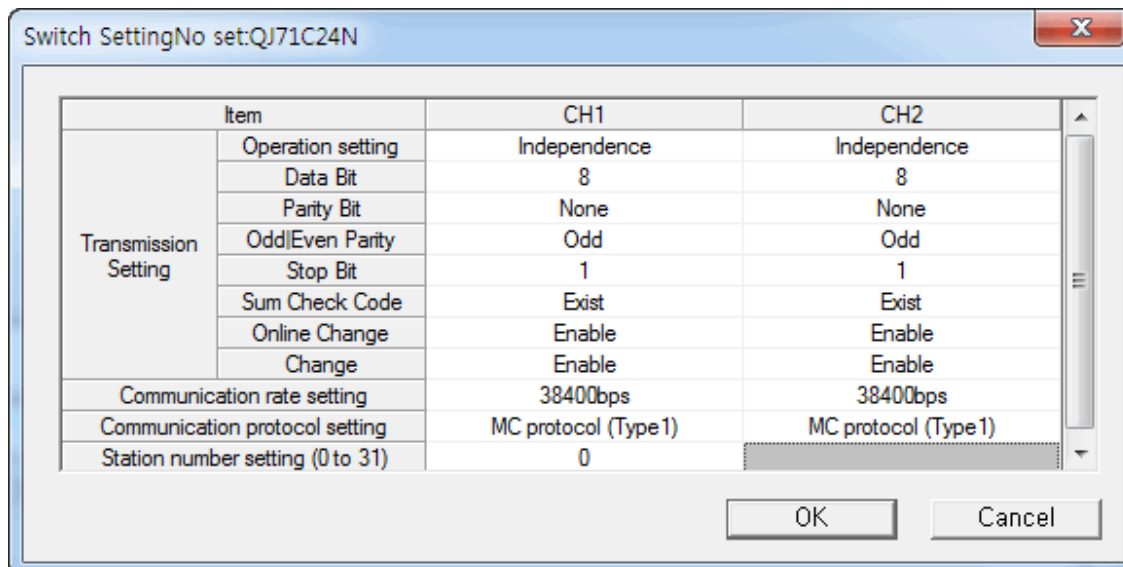
Set the Module type and Module name as a corresponding module in the Module selection window, and then click OK.



Step 5. Set each channel in the automatically open Switch SettingNo window.

In general cases, select 38400 bps, MC protocol (Type 1) like CH1.

In case of requiring high-speed communication, select 115200 bps. MC protocol (Type 5) does not support RS485 communication.



Step 6. Send the set parameters to [Online] > [Write to PLC], and reset the PLC.

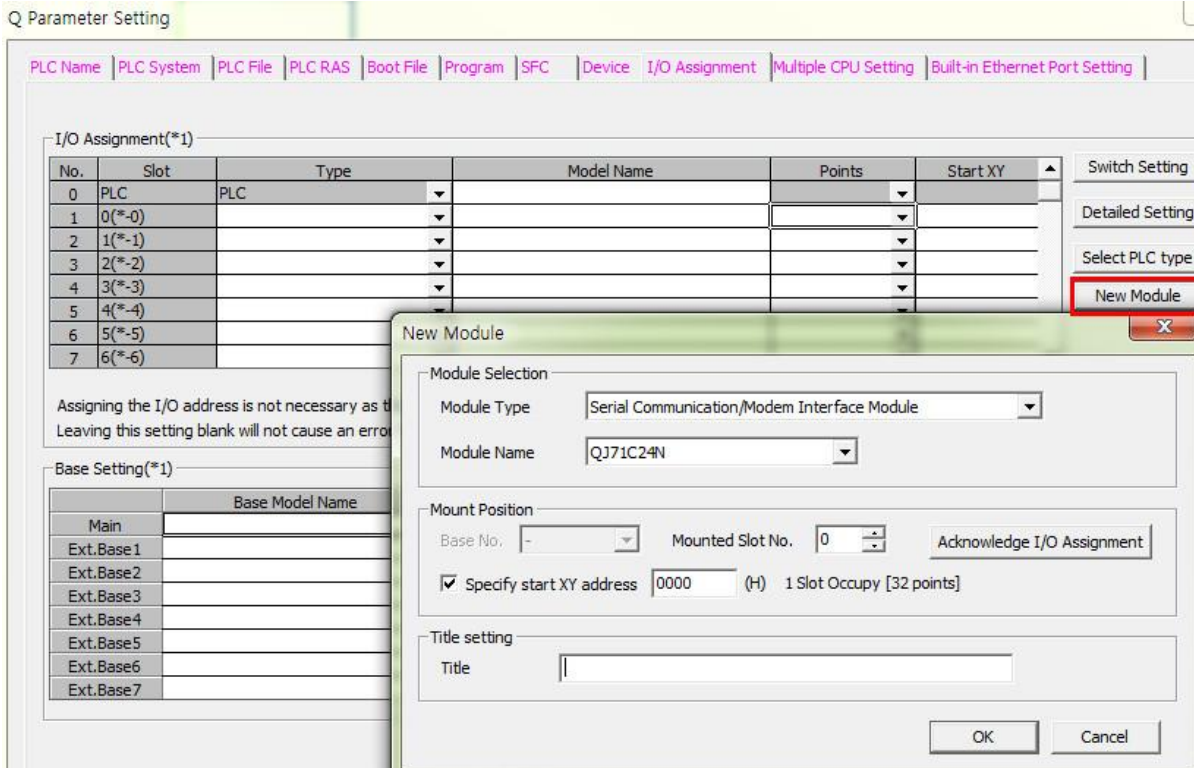
4.2 Setting in GX Works2

Step 1. Double-click [Parameter] > [PLC parameter] in the "GX Works2" project window to pop-up the [Q parameter setting] Dialog Box.

Step 2. Select the [I/O Assignment] tab in the [Q parameter setting] Dialog Box.

Click New Module in the [I/O Assignment(*)] box.

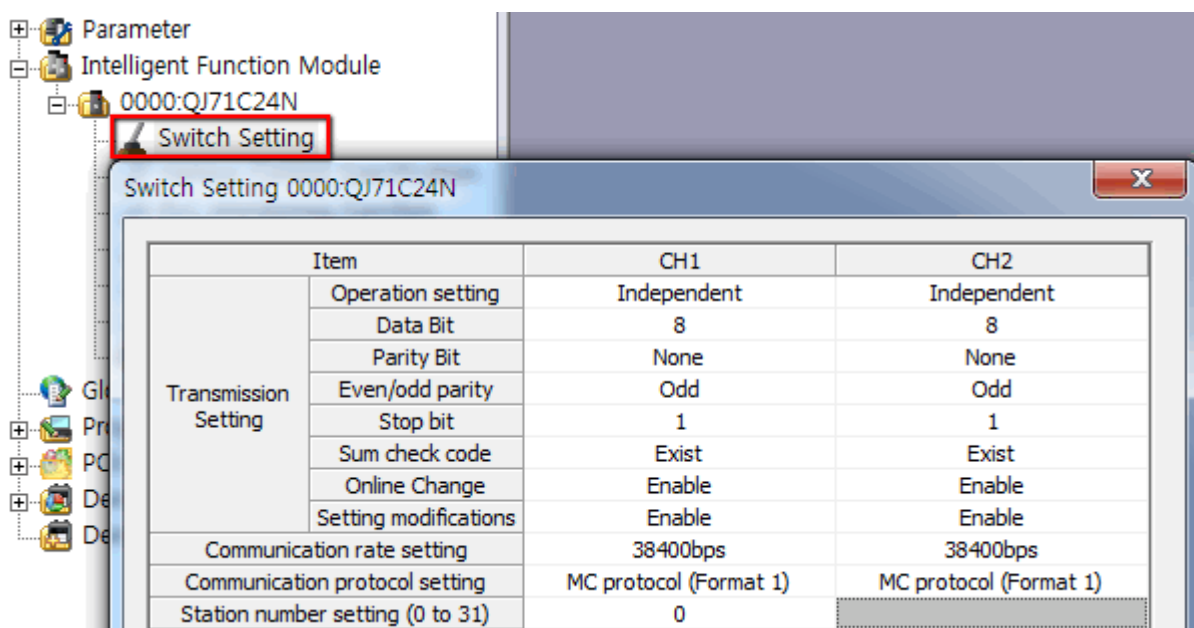
Set the Module type and Module name as a corresponding module in the Module selection window, and then click OK.



Step 3. Set each channel in the [Intelligent Function Module] > [Module Name] > Switch Setting window of the project window.

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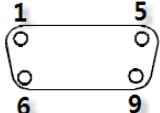
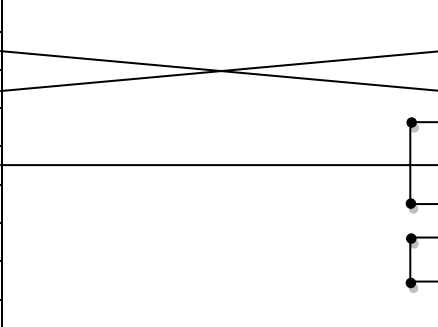
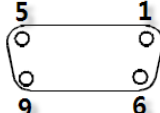
Step 4. Send the set parameters to [Online] > [Write to PLC], and reset the PLC.

5. Cable table

This chapter introduces a cable diagram for normal communication between the TOP and the corresponding device.
 (The cable diagram described in this section may differ from the recommendations of "Mitsubishi Electric Corporation")

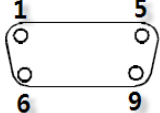
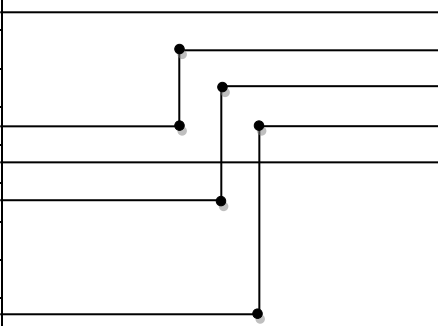
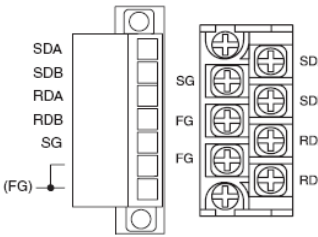
5.1. Cable table 1

■ RS-232C (1:1 connection)

COM			Cable connection	PLC			
Pin arrangement* Note 1)	Signal name	Pin number		Pin number	Signal name	Pin arrangement* Note 1)	
 <p>Based on communication cable connector front, D-SUB 9 Pin male (male, convex)</p>	CD	1		1	CD	 <p>Based on communication cable connector front, D-SUB 9 Pin male (male, convex)</p>	
	RD	2		2	RD		
	SD	3		3	3		SD
	DTR	4		4	4		DTR
	SG	5		5	5		SG
	DSR	6		6	6		DSR
	RTS	7		7	7		RTS
	CTS	8		8	8		CTS
		9		9	9		

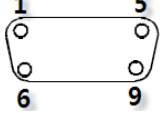
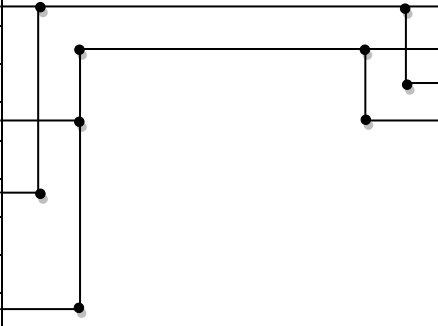
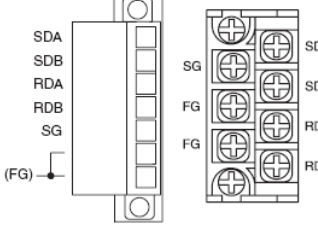
***Note 1)** The pin arrangement is as seen from the connecting side of the cable connection connector.

■ RS-422 (1:1 connection)

COM			Cable connection	PLC	
Pin arrangement* Note 1)	Signal name	Pin number		Signal name	Pin arrangement
 <p>Based on communication cable connector front, D-SUB 9 Pin male (male, convex)</p>	RDA	1		SDA	
		2		SDB	
		3		RDA	
	RDB	4		RDB	
	SG	5		SG	
	SDA	6			
		7			
		8			
	SDB	9			

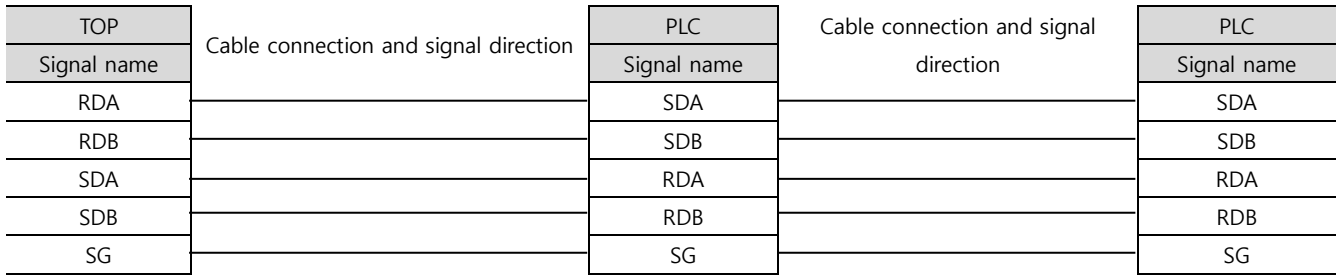
***Note 1)** The pin arrangement is as seen from the connecting side of the cable connection connector.

■ RS-485 (1:1 connection)

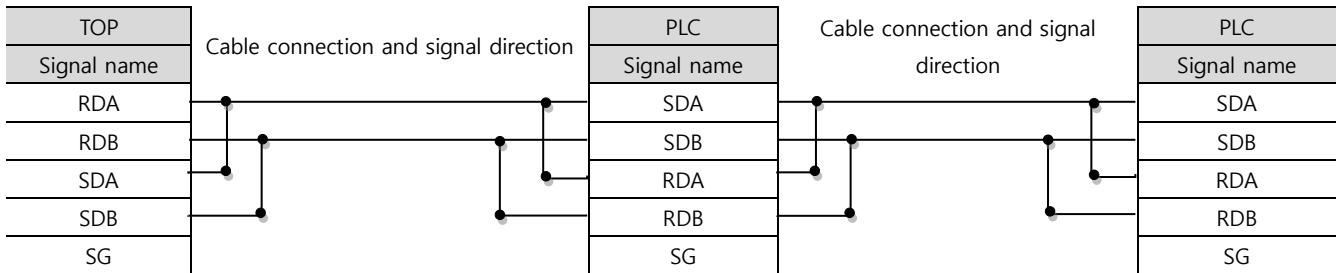
COM			Cable connection	PLC	
Pin arrangement* Note 1)	Signal name	Pin number		Signal name	Pin arrangement
 <p>Based on communication cable connector front, D-SUB 9 Pin male (male, convex)</p>	RDA	1		SDA	
		2		SDB	
		3		RDA	
	RDB	4		RDB	
	SG	5		SG	
	SDA	6			
		7			
		8			
	SDB	9			

***Note 1)** The pin arrangement is as seen from the connecting side of the cable connection connector.

■ **RS-422** (1:N connection) – Refer to 1:1 connection to connect in the following way.

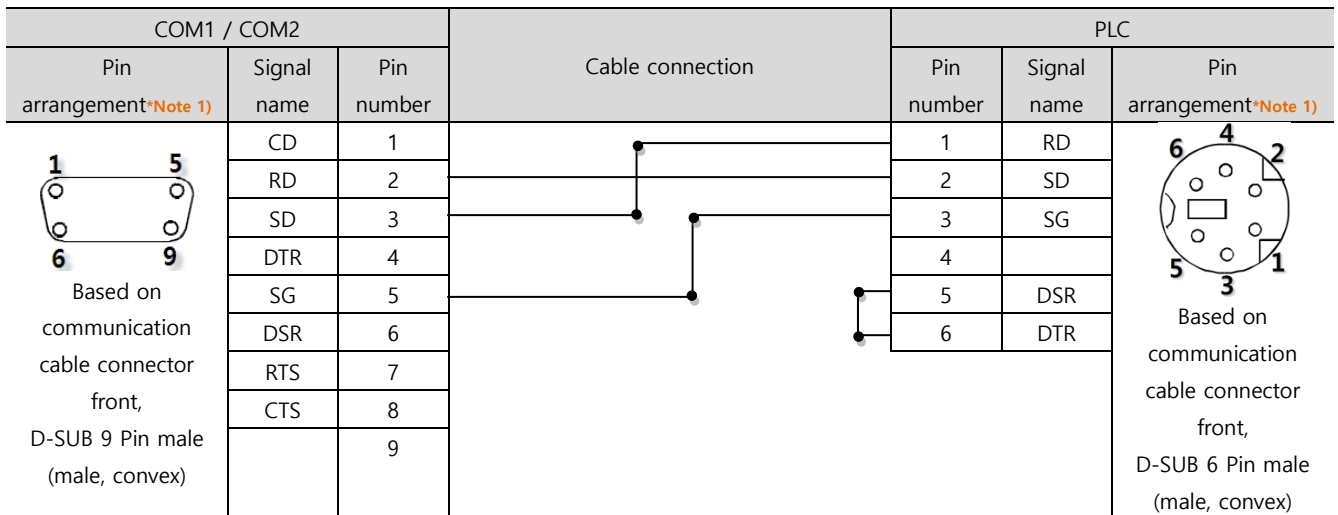


■ **RS-485** (1:N/N:1 connection) – Refer to 1:1 connection to connect in the following way.



5.2. Cable table 2

■ **RS-232C** (1:1 connection)



***Note 1)** The pin arrangement is as seen from the connecting side of the cable connection connector.

6. Supported addresses

The devices available in TOP are as follows:

The device range (address) may differ depending on the CPU module series/type. The TOP series supports the maximum address range used by the external device series. Please refer to each CPU module user manual and be take caution to not deviate from the address range supported by the device you want to use.

Device	Bit Address	Word Address	Word Address NOTE	32 BIT
Input Relay	X0000 ~ X1FFF (HEX)	X0000 ~ X1FF0 (HEX)	X***0 *Note 1)	L/H *Note 3)
Output Relay	Y0000 ~ Y1FFF (HEX)	Y0000 ~ Y1FF0 (HEX)	Y***0 *Note 1)	
Internal Relay	M0000 ~ M61439	M0000 ~ M61424	M0000 + 16*n *Note 2)	
Special Relay	SM0000 ~ SM2047	SM0000 ~ SM2032	SM0000 + 16*n *Note 2)	
Latch Relay	L0000 ~ L32767	L0000 ~ L32752	L0000 + 16*n *Note 2)	
Annunciator	F0000 ~ F32767	F0000 ~ F32752	F0000 + 16*n *Note 2)	
Edge Relay	V0000 ~ V32767	V0000 ~ V32752	V0000 + 16*n *Note 2)	
Step Relay	S0000 ~ S8191	S0000 ~ S8176	S0000 + 16*n *Note 2)	
Link Relay	B0000 ~ BEFFF (HEX)	B0000 ~ BEFF0 (HEX)	B***0 *Note 1)	
Special Link Relay	SB0000 ~ SB7FF0 (HEX)	SB0000 ~ SB7FF0 (HEX)	SB***0 *Note 1)	
Timer (contact)	TS00000 ~ TS25471	TS00000 ~ TS25456		
Timer (coil)	TC00000 ~ TC25471	TC00000 ~ TC25456		
Aggregate Timer (contact)	SS00000 ~ SS25471	SS00000 ~ SS25456		
Aggregate Timer (coil)	SC00000 ~ SC25471	SC00000 ~ SC25456		
Counter (contact)	CS00000 ~ CS25471	CS00000 ~ CS25456		
Counter (coil)	CC00000 ~ CC25471	CC00000 ~ CC25456		
Timer (current value)	TN00000.0 ~ TN25471.15	TN00000 ~ TN25471		
Aggregate Timer (current value)	SN00000.0 ~ SN25471.15	SN00000 ~ SN25471		
Counter (current value)	CN00000.0 ~ CN25471.15	CN00000 ~ CN25471		
Data Register	D0000000.0 ~ D4212223.15	D0000000 ~ D4212223	Binary Protocol	
	D000000.0 ~ D999999.15	D000000 ~ D999999	ASCII Protocol	
Special Data Register	SD0000.0 ~ SD2255.15	SD0000 ~ SD2255		
Link Register	W000000.0 ~ W4045FFF	W000000 ~ W4045FF		
Link Special	SW0000.0 ~ SW7FFF.F	SW0000 ~ SW7FFF		
Index	Z00.0 ~ Z19.15	Z00 ~ Z19		
File Register		Custom range		

*Note 1) For bit addresses with hexadecimal "0~F" notations, use the initial 0 bit as the word address

*Note 2) When using a bit address that uses decimals, use a word address in units of "16"

*Note 3) The lower 16 BIT data of 32 BIT data is saved in the address whose screen has been registered, and the upper 16 BIT data is saved in the address next to the address whose screen has been registered.

Ex. When saving 32BIT data hexadecimal data 12345678 in address D00100, it is saved to 16BIT device address as follows:

Items	32BIT		16BIT	
	Address	D00100	D00100	D00101
Input data (hexadecimal)		12345678	5678	1234