
Module Overview

The 8213-VA module plugs directly into the ControlLogix rack and is in constant communication with the processor. Each module receives both position and time values from the ControlLogix back plane and can generate up to 32 limit switch outputs.

The position data can be generated from any source, but it must be scaled in 4096 counts. That is, the position source must count from 0 to 4095. The Time Data is received from the PLC using a GSV (Get System Variable) instruction. The 8213-VA uses the Least Significant 16 bits of this value.

Both the position and time values are sent to the 8213-VA module through two words in the output registers.

The 8213-VA module has several modes of operation that allow you to enable or disable the outputs based on discrete inputs and the speed of the machine.

“Physical” inputs and outputs are physically connected to the 8213-VA module. Physical Inputs are brought into the module through external boards and are opto-isolated. Physical outputs are brought out to external relay boards. These DIN rail mountable boards use fused, plug in, solid state relays to drive AC or DC loads. Physical outputs are updated every 100µsec. The actual update time is based on the number of outputs and features used in the module and has a maximum value of between 200 and 300µsec.

“Virtual” inputs and outputs are transmitted over the backplane only. Virtual I/O can be used on machine functions that do not require a 100µSec update time. By using Virtual Outputs you can significantly reduce processor scan times by off loading the limit switch calculations from the ControlLogix processor to the 8213-VA module. The 8213-VA module does not have a direct physical connection to Virtual I/O. The ControlLogix PLC’s ladder logic program must monitor or control these bits and if desired use Allen-Bradley ControlLogix I/O modules to connect the Virtual I/O to the real world. Virtual I/O is stored in the processors’ I/O data tables and is automatically updated at the RPI time. Optionally, the 8213-VA module can be configured to generate an interrupt every time one of the Virtual Outputs changes state.

The 8213-VA module has two *modes* of operation, *Independent Mode* and *Group Mode*. While in Independent Mode, each output is independent of the others and has a corresponding input that is ANDed with the output. When in Group Mode, the outputs are combined into groups. The 8213-VA module has a maximum of six groups. Each group is assigned an *Operating Mode* that controls how the outputs fire. At this time, there are a total of six Operating Modes. These Operating Modes are geared towards high speed packaging and assembly machines.

The 8213-VA module also has the ability to control two analog outputs. These outputs can be either Analog Voltage or Current and are based on the speed of the rate of change of the position data. However, using the Analog outputs reduces the number of physical outputs from 16 to 12.

Sample programs showing how to program the 8213-VA module in both Independent Mode and Group mode are available from the Tech Library Section of our website, www.AMCI.com.

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Chapter 2: INSTALLATION & SPECIFICATIONS

Before the 8213-VA can be used in a ControlLogix system, the PLC to which the 8213-VA module is assigned must be configured as the Coordinated system time master. Use the following steps to perform this operation.

1. In RSLogix 5000, click on *Edit* in the toolbar.
2. Click on *Controller Properties*.
3. Select the *Date/Time* tab.
4. Check the box *Make this controller the Coordinated System Time master*.
5. Click on *Apply*.
6. Click on *OK*.

Configuring the ControlLogix System

1. Open RSLogix 5000 and the project in which you want to install the AMCI 8213-VA module.
2. Right click on I/O Configuration in the Project Tree.
3. Select New Module.
4. Select the following module type and description from the list that appears.

Type = 1756-MODULE

Description = Generic 1756 Module (There is no EDS file available for the 8213-VA module.

Because of this it will appear as an Unknown Device when viewed from RSNetWorx.)

5. Click on OK.
6. Enter the following module properties.

Name: *Your Choice* (must begin with a letter)

Description: *Your Choice*

Comm Format: *Data-INT* (must be changed from the default Data DINT to Data-INT)

Slot: *location of 8213-VA module*

7. Enter the Connection Parameters from the following table. Please note the different parameters for Independent and Group Mode operations, and that power must be cycled to the unit when switching between the two.

CONNECTION PARAMETERS

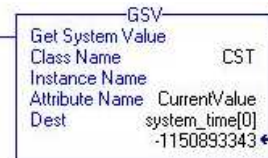
Independent Mode		
	Assembly Instance	Size in 16 bit words
INPUT	100	8
OUTPUT	194	10
CONFIGURATION	1	0
Group Mode		
INPUT	101	14
OUTPUT	194	10
CONFIGURATION	242	0

8. Click on Next >
9. Set the RPI (Rate Packet Interval) Time to any value between 2ms and 10ms. Click on Finish >>
10. The module should now appear in the project tree. The Input data will be referenced as Local:X.I.Data[Y] and the output data will be referenced as Local:X.O.Data[Y] where “X” is the slot number and “Y” is the word number.

Sending Position and Time data to the 8213-VA module

The 8213-VA module turns its outputs on and off based on position and time values that it receives from the PLC. The following four rungs show how to read the system time from the PLC and send it, along with the scaled position data, to the 8213-VA module.

Use a GSV instruction to read the current system time from the PLC. The Attribute Name field must be set to CurrentValue and the Destination field must consist of two DINT registers.

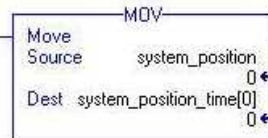


The 8213-VA module only uses the least significant 16 bits of the system time. The following rung uses a Bit Field Distribute function to take the least significant 16 bits from the 32 bit source address and places them in a tag with a 16 bit (INT) data type.

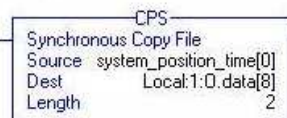


The following rung takes the position data from some internal source and moves it to a tag array that will be copied to the 8213-VA modules output registers.

The system position can have any source, but it MUST be scaled to 4096 counts. That is, it must count from 0 to 4095 and then roll over to zero. The 8213-VA module will not function correctly if this position data is scaled to some other value.



Copy the two word tag array containing both the scaled position data and the system time to the 8213-VA module. A CPS instruction MUST be used so that the transfer of data will not be interrupted by an RPI update, ensuring that both the position and time values will be read by the 8213-VA module at the same time.



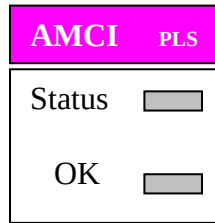
Current Draw: 450mA @5Vdc
55mA @ 24Vdc typical

RPI Time: 2ms to 10ms

Throughput Time: 200µs to 300µs

Environmental Conditions: Operating Temperature: 0 to 60 °C
Relative Humidity: 5 to 95% (without condensation)
Storage Temperature: -40 to 85 °C

Front Panel:



LED Function

Status LED

Solid Red: Module Fault and if the PLC is not the Coordinated System Time Master

Blinking Red: Position & Time Value not received or RPI value out of range.

Blinking Green: Clearable Transducer Fault. The transfer of position or time value was temporarily lost and returned.

Solid Green: Module, position, and time data are OK

OK LED

Solid Green: Module Owned, two way communication

Blinking Green: PLC is in Program Mode or one way communication, module only sends data to the PLC

Blinking Red: Communication between module and PLC interrupted

Input Function

The inputs to the 8213-VA have a debounce time of 0ms, and are scanned every 1ms. However, if the 8213-VA is operating in Group Modes 1 or 2, than the input is scanned every 100µs.

In Independent Mode, each input is ANDed with each output. That is, input 1is ANDed with output 1, input 2 is anded with output 2 ... input 16 is ANDed with output 16. In group mode, the inputs have the following functions.

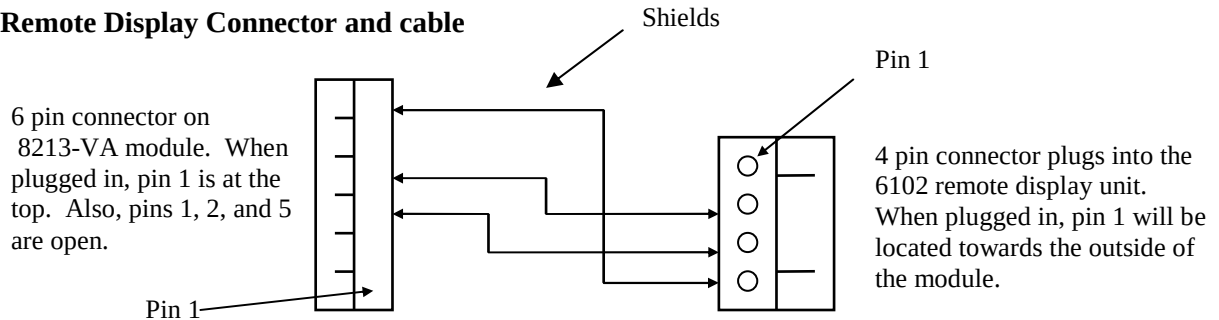
Input	Function
1	Group 1 Control
2	Group 2 Control
3	Group 3 Control
4	Group 4 Control
5	Group 5 Control
6	Group 6 Control
7	Limit Switch Enable Input
8	First Cycle Input
9 to 16	Not used in group mode

Installation Notes

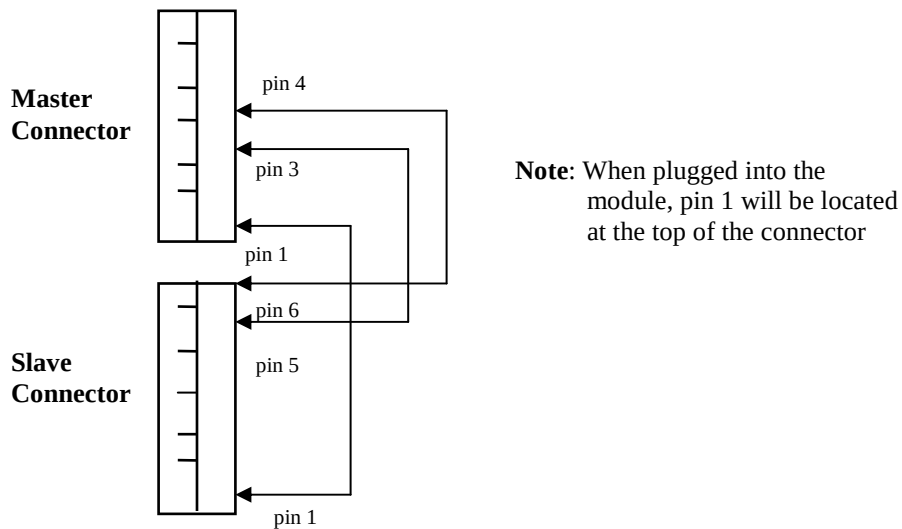
1. The 8213-VA module does not have a non-volatile memory and must be programmed at every power up. This includes parameters such as scale factor, offset, direction, On/Off Setpoints, etc.
2. All module setup parameters, Scale Factor, Offset, Preset, Direction, Group Setup, and Limit Switch Outputs are programmed with the respective Ladder MESSAGE Instruction, and are triggered by either the 0 to 1 or 1 to 0 toggling of the programming blocks transmit bit. The MESSAGE Instruction uses an Instance Parameter to indicate to the 8213-VA module what data is being sent with the message instruction. For example, an Instance value of 200 is used to program the 8213-VA modules Setup data.
3. There are two force functions, Force On and Force Off. Both are programmed in the output registers. When a Force On bit is set, the output it represents will be activated, regardless of the output state. When a Force Off bit is set, the output it represents will be turned off, regardless of the output state. The Force Off function takes priority over the Force On function.
4. The inputs to the 8213-VA2 have a debounce time of 0ms, and are scanned every 1ms. However, if the 8213-VA module is operating in Group Modes 1 or 2, then the input is scanned every 100 μ s.
5. In group modes 4 and 5, inputs will be acted on only if the position data is scanned between the programmed group channel's On and Off points. If the position data passes through the group channel in less than 1 ms, the input may not be detected.
6. If the Limit Switch Outputs are programmed with message instance numbers 201 and 202, then only 4 physical and 4 virtual outputs can be programmed as timed outputs.
7. If the Limit Switch Outputs are programmed with message instance 204, Time Mode, then all 16 physical outputs can be programmed as timed outputs, each one with up to 2 time dwells. However, virtual outputs will no longer be available.
8. In time mode, the output must be on for at least 1ms and off for 1ms for a second timed output to fire correctly. This includes both the programmed timed value and the programmed number of counts. If 2 On/Off setpoints overlap or the time between the first and the second is < 1mS, the module generates only one pulse.
9. The module's power must be cycled when switching from Group Mode to Independent Mode or vice versa.

Chapter 3: WIRING

Remote Display Connector and cable



Slave Mode Connectors and Cable



Relay Board Connections

There are three possible relay boards that can be used with the 8213-VA module. The possible combinations are one RB-7, one RB-8, a RB-8 and a RB-7, two RB-8s, or one RB-9.

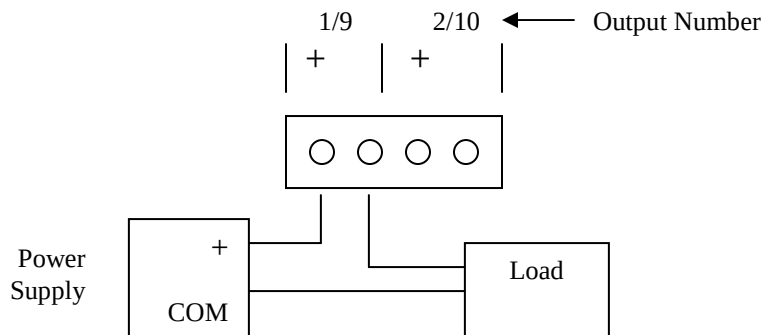
Part Number	Number of Inputs and Outputs	Current Draw (@24Vdc)
RB-7	8 outputs	100mA
RB-8	8 outputs and 8 inputs	125mA
RB-9	16 outputs	200mA

Interconnections between the 8213-VA and relay boards are made with *CRP-(x)* cables, where (x) is the length in feet. Presently, two, six, and twelve foot cables are available from AMCI. CRP cables are shielded, fine pitch ribbon cables with drain lugs at both ends. Due to their complexity, AMCI strongly recommends that you purchase pre-assembled and tested CRP cables instead of making them yourself. Connections are made by inserting the blue IDC connector into the proper socket and connecting the drain wire to the screw terminal. Note that the IDC connector is keyed and can only be inserted in one way. The retaining clips on the IDC socket snap over the top of the connector to secure it in place. The drain wire on the CRP cable must be connected to the screw terminals next to the IDC sockets. The screw terminal on the 8213-VA module is connected to Earth Ground. The two screw terminals on the RB-8 relay boards are connected together, but are not connected to Earth Ground and are designed to function as strain reliefs. RB-8's have two IDC sockets that allow you to daisy chain a second relay board to it. The CRP cable from the 8213-VA is connected to the socket labeled "CN1" on the first RB-8. A second CRP cable is connected from the "CN2" socket of the first RB-8 to the "CN1" socket of either a RB-7 or RB-8. The first RB-8, the one connected to the 8213-VA, has the Inputs and Outputs 1 to 8. If the second relay board is an RB-7, it has the Outputs 9 to 16. If the second relay board is an RB-8, it has the Inputs and Outputs 9 to 16.

An external, isolated +24Vdc supply is needed to drive the inputs and relays. Connect +24Vdc to the +24V terminal, the power supply common to the GND terminal. The required current is shown in the above table. Note that these measurements are for the relay boards only. If you are using an RB-8 and powering the input sensors with the same supply, then you must add in the current requirements of each sensor to determine the power supply size.

Relay Output Wiring

Each Relay output has two terminals. One is labeled + and the other that is unlabeled. Connect your power supply to the + terminal and your load to the unlabeled terminal.



Compatible Relays

Every output requires a solid state relay. These relays are fused protected and have a retaining screw and indicator LED. These relays are available from AMCI under the following part numbers.

	Output Voltage	Rated Current
KD-6	3 to 60Vdc	3Adc
KA-3	120Vac	3Aac

Chassis Ground

When a relay board is DIN rail mounted the case is isolated from the panel by the plastic DIN rail adapters. You *MUST* run a heavy gauge wire from the Chassis GND terminal of the power supply terminal block to your ground bus to ground the metal relay board case. When a relay board is panel mounted the case is usually connected to chassis ground through the mounting hardware. If you believe that the ground is insufficient then run a heavy gauge wire from the Chassis GND terminal to your ground bus.

RB-8 Sink / Source Inputs

The RB-8 inputs are connected to the TB1 terminal block. There are nine pins, one for each input and an Input Common. All inputs are opto-isolated and floating. That is, they are configured as sinking or sourcing inputs by connecting Input Common to a power supply. Typically, the +24Vdc supply that powers the output relays is also used to power the inputs. When Input Common is attached to +Vdc the inputs will source current into the sensors attached to them. When the Input Common is attached to the sensor's power supply common, the inputs will sink current from the sensors attached to them.

If you are using all sixteen inputs they are split between the two RB-8's. Note that the two banks of inputs can be configured differently. For example, Inputs 1 to 8 can be configured as sinking inputs and Inputs 9 to 16 can be configured as sourcing inputs.

Chapter 4: PROGRAMMABLE PARAMETERS

The 8213-VA module is programmed from the backplane using a combination of I/O data words and Message Instructions. The module is setup by setting its *Programmable Parameters*. The programmable parameters are broken down as follows:

- **Module Operation Parameters** – These functions allow the PLC to directly control the functions of the Groups and the Limit Switch Outputs.
 - **Module Setup Parameters** – Parameters that set the modules' mode of operation, whether or not the module generates a processor interrupt, the active state of the physical inputs, and the forced state of the outputs. Parameters that scale the tachometer data and program the setpoints of the two motion detectors are also included in the module setup parameters.
 - **Position Data Setup Parameters** – Parameters that affect the position data.
 - **Limit Switch Parameters** – Parameters that program the type of limit switch, any ANDing with the motion detectors or Enable Input, and setpoint and advance parameters.
 - **Group Setup Parameters** – If you configure the module to operate in Group Mode then you also have Group Setup Parameters. These parameters assign the number of limit switch outputs in the group, the Operating Mode of the group, the setpoints of the Group Channel, the Group Offset / Preset value, and the inputs that are used to enable the group outputs.
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Module Operation Parameters

Increment/Decrement

This feature allow the PLC to either increase or decrease the On or Off setpoint of a Limit Switch output by one count at a time. It is possible to change just the On setpoint, just the Off setpoint, or both at the same time.

Please note that the Increment/Decrement function only changes the On/Off setpoints in the 8213-VA module's memory. The On/Off setpoints that are stored in the PLC's memory are not changed by the Increment/Decrement function.

Output Forces

You can force any output on or off by setting the appropriate bit in the output image table. A Force OFF bit takes precedence over the corresponding Force ON bit. That is, if both the Force Off and Force On bits are set at the same time, than the output will be Off, not On.

Virtual Inputs

When the 8213-VA module is operating in Group Mode, the Virtual Inputs are used as the inputs to the Virtual Groups. That is, the 0 to 1 transition of these bits will activate the various group functions, such as enabling the outputs or changing the Group Position to the Group Preset value. The Virtual Inputs have no function if the 8213-VA module is operating in Independent Mode.

Input Forces

You can force any Physical Input on or off by setting the appropriate bit in the output image table. A Force OFF bit take precedence over the corresponding Force ON bit. Virtual Inputs cannot be forced in this manner. You must force Virtual Inputs on or off with ladder logic.

Module Setup Parameters

Tachometer Response

A bit value that sets how often the 8213-VA module updates the tachometer data to the processor. The two choices are 120 mSec and 504 mSec. The default value is 504 mSec. The 8213-VA modules have two motion detectors that can be used to disable outputs when the machine speed is outside of the motion detectors programmed range. These motion detectors are also updated at the programmed Tachometer Response time. Internally, the tachometer is updated every 24 mSec. This update time is used when calculating the limit output advance values.

Change of State (COS)

A bit value that configures the module to send the new virtual output status to the PLC each time the state of one of the virtual outputs changes state. While using the COS function will decrease the throughput time of the Virtual Outputs, it will also increase your overall ladder logic scan time.

Slave Mode

A bit value that configures the 8213-VA module to operate either as a Master module or as a Slave module. If more than 16 physical outputs are required, it is possible to connect two 8213-VA modules together. The first, the Master, will receive the position and time data from the backplane. The second, the Slave, will receive the position data from the Master module over a serial connection.

An 8213-VA module operating in Slave mode will receive the position data 100µs after the Master module.

Serial Port Function

A bit value that is used to define the function of the 8213-VA module's serial port.

If this bit is reset, the serial port will be used to transmit position and velocity data to an AMCI 6102 remote display unit.

If this bit is set, the serial port will be used to either transmit data as a Master unit or to receive data as a Slave unit.

Tachometer Scalars

The 8213-VA module allows you to scale the tachometer value reported to the processor. Therefore you can have the 8213-VA report a tachometer value scaled to boxes per minute, inches per minute, or any other meaningful value instead of revolutions per minute. The tachometer is scaled with three values, *Tach Multiplier*, *Tach Divisor*, and *Tach Decimal Point*. The tachometer reports the rounded off integer value of the equation: $((\text{Speed}[\text{RPM}] * \text{Tach Multiplier}) / \text{Tach Divisor}) / \text{Tach Decimal Point}$. The Tach Multiplier can be any integer between 0 and 1,100. The Tach Divisor can be any integer between 1 and 63. The Tach Decimal Point can be 1, 10, 100, or 1000. As an example, assume a speed of 100 RPM, a multiplier of 2, a divisor of 3. The table below shows the different Tachometer values based on the Tach Decimal Point value.

	Decimal Point Value			
	1	10	100	1000
Calculated Tach	66.67	6.67	0.67	0.067
Reported Tach	67	7	1	0

When programming the Tach Decimal Point, you enter 0, 1, 2, or 3 into your programming data. This corresponds to a Tach Decimal Point Value of 1, 10, 100 or 1000.

Physical Input Active State

These sixteen bit values program the active state of the Physical Inputs. When an Active State bit is set to its default value of zero, the corresponding input works like a normally closed relay. The input must have current flowing through it to be deactivated. When an Active State bit is set to one, the corresponding input works like a normally open contact. The input must have current flowing through it to be activated.

Motion Detector ON/OFF setpoints

The 8213-VA has two motion detectors, *MD1* and *MD2*, that function as speed based limit switches. You program a low speed setpoint and a high speed setpoint for each motion detector. If the low speed setpoint is less than the high speed setpoint then the output will be on when the velocity is between the two setpoints and off at all other speeds. If the low speed setpoint is greater than the high speed setpoint then the output will be off when the velocity is between the two setpoints and on at all other speeds. You can logically AND any limit switch output with the state of either motion detector. This disables the limit switch output unless the machine is running within the programmed range. The motion detector setpoints are always programmed in RPM, regardless of the values of the Tachometer Scalars. The setpoints have a range of zero to 32,767 RPM.

How often the ON/OFF state of the motion detectors are updated is based on the Tachometer Response parameter. Like the tachometer, they will update either every 120 mSec or 504 mSec.

Note: If you are using the motion detectors to disable limit switch outputs and your machine accelerates to its final speed quickly, you may have to change the Tachometer Response from its default of 504 mSec to 120 mSec. This insures that the limit switches will be enabled as quickly as possible once the machine is running at operating speed.

Machine Position Setup Parameters

Count Direction

A bit value that allows the direction of increasing counts to be changed. It can be set to clockwise or counter-clockwise and defaults to clockwise.

Scale Factor

Sets the position resolution of the 8213-VA module. It is programmable to any value between 2 and 4096 counts per turn. The Scale Factor defaults to 1,024 counts per turn.

Preset Value

This parameter sets the value that the *Machine Position* will be set to when the Apply Preset command bit is set in the setup data. Its default is zero and it is programmable to any value between zero and (Scale Factor - 1). The *Machine Position* is the position that the 8213-VA module reports back to the processor. As you will see later, when operating the 8213-VA in Group Mode, you can offset the position that the *group* uses when determining the on/off state of its outputs. When this happens, the manual will use the term *Group Position* to distinguish this position count from the Machine Position.

Machine Offset

This number is added to the position data to calculate the Machine Position. Its default value is zero and it can be programmed to any value between 0 and (Scale Factor - 1). The Machine Offset gives you the ability to set the Machine Position to any value without moving the machine to get it to the desired position.

Applying the Preset causes the module to recalculate the Machine Offset.

The 8213-VA module does not store the Machine Offset in non-volatile memory but does make it available to the processor as a data word in Read Status Information. In order to keep the Machine Position an absolute value, you must store this reported Machine Offset in an integer file and send it down to the 8213-VA module every time you configure the module with the Setup Message instruction.

Limit Switch Parameters

Limit Switch Type Parameter

Programs the type of limit switch the output channel will be. The three choices are *Normal*, *Pulse*, and *Timed*. Normal outputs turn on and off based only on position data. Pulse outputs generate a pulse train between two position values. Timed outputs are position on, time off outputs.

Motion ANDing Parameter

You can disable a limit switch output by ANDing it with one of the two motion detectors. This prevents the output from firing until the machine is running at a speed within the programmed motion detector range. This parameter give you the choice of not ANDing the output with a motion detector or ANDing it with MD1 or MD2.

Enable ANDing Parameter

When in Group Mode you can disable a limit switch output by ANDing it with an input. Use this bit value to attach the *LS Enable Input* to the limit switch output. This parameter is not used when in Independent Mode because each output has a corresponding, dedicated input that can be used to disable the output.

Limit Switch ON / OFF Setpoints

Limit Switch Setpoints are a pair of position values at which the outputs turn on and off. The limit switch is on when the position value is between the two setpoints. Setpoints can be programmed to any value between 0 and (Scale Factor -1).

Normal Limit Switch: Four pairs of ON / OFF setpoints that give you the ability to turn the output on and off four times per cycle.

Pulse Limit Switch: One ON / OFF setpoint pair that sets the leading edge of the pulse train and the trailing edge of the pulse train. Two additional parameters, *Total Number of Pulses* and *Pulse Duration*, must also be programmed. The Total Number of Pulses is the number of pulses in the train. The Pulse Duration is the number of counts that each pulse is on. The difference between the ON and OFF setpoints must be greater than or equal to: $((\text{Total Number of Pulses} * \text{Pulse Duration}) + (\text{Total Number of Pulses} - 1))$.

Timed Limit Switch: **Single Time Dwell;** One ON / OFF setpoint pair that sets the ON position and OFF position of the limit. A third parameter sets the amount of time, in 1ms increments, the output is on. Usually, the output will turn on at the ON setpoint and remain on for the specified length of time. However, if the OFF setpoint is reached before the output times out, the output turns off immediately. The maximum length of time an output can be on is 9.999 seconds. You can have a maximum of four Physical and four Virtual Outputs programmed to be Timed limit switches. Timed outputs start timing when the input becomes active.

Timed Limit Switch **Time Mode;** Time mode is similar to the Single Time Dwell described above except that two timed on off pairs can be programmed and the outputs will only turn off based on the time value. That is, the output will not turn off if the Off setpoint is reached before the time value expires. While in Time Mode, all 16 physical outputs can be used as timed outputs, but the virtual outputs will no longer be available. Timed outputs start timing when the input becomes active.

Limit Switch ON / OFF Advances

Two parameters that allow the limit switch channel to compensate for fixed delays in the system. The maximum compensation is ± 499.9 mSec. Setting the Advance to a positive value will cause the output to turn on earlier in the cycle. Setting the Advance to a negative value will cause the output to turn on later in the cycle.

Group Setup Parameters

If you are using the 8213-VA module in Group Mode the Group Setup Parameters are also available. There are a maximum of six groups available.

Group Type

Sets the type of inputs and outputs, either Physical or Virtual associated with the group. You cannot associate both types of I/O with a single group. Therefore you can have a maximum of sixteen outputs in a single group.

Output Quantity

This parameter sets the number of limit switch outputs in the group. Outputs are assigned to a group in consecutive order. As an example, assume that Group 1 is assigned six physical outputs and Group 2 assigned eight physical outputs. Then limit switch outputs 1 to 6 are assigned to Group 1 and limit switch outputs 7 to 14 are assigned to Group 2. This leaves a total of two physical outputs for another group. If you try to assign more than two physical outputs to another group the 8213-VA will respond with an error message.

Group Operating Mode

This parameter specifies the groups' Operating Mode. Six different modes are presently available.

- Mode 0: Outputs operating in Mode 0 function as a simple limit switch and are not affected by the input terminal or group channel.
- Mode 1: Outputs operating in Mode 1 are always enabled to turn on at their programmed setpoints. When the group input is activated, the group's position is preset to the group's preset value. The input is ignored until the group control position is reached. The input must transition from 0 to 1 after the group control position is reached.
- Mode 2: Outputs operating in Mode 2 are disabled until the group input is activated, at which time the group's position is preset to the preset value. The outputs will be active until the group control position is reached. The input is ignored until the group control position is reached. The input must transition from 0 to 1 after the group control position is reached.
- Mode 3: Outputs operating in Mode 3 can be active only when the group control input is active. The group channel On/Off points are not used in mode 3.
- Mode 4: Outputs operating in Mode 4 will be active for one cycle only when the group's input transitions from 0 to 1 between the group channel's On and Off points. The cycle ends when either the group channel On or Off point is reached, at which point the outputs will turn off.
- Mode 5: Outputs operating in Mode 5 will be active for one cycle only when the group's input is active in the range between the group channel's On and Off points. The outputs will be active only when the position data is changing, or if the first cycle input is active. The outputs will turn off after there is no change in position for either 504ms or 120ms, depending on how the tach response parameter is set. The cycle ends when either the group channel On or Off point is reached, at which point the outputs will turn off.

First Cycle Input Type

This bit value sets the type of input, either Physical or Virtual, which is used as the groups' *First Cycle Input*. The input is only available if the Group is configured to use Operating Mode 5. It allows you to fire the outputs on the first machine cycle. Note that you can assign the virtual First Cycle Input to a group controlling physical outputs or the physical First Cycle Input to a group controlling virtual outputs. If your group is not using Mode 5 then set this parameter to its default value of zero, which selects the physical input.

Group Channel ON / OFF Setpoints

Each Group has an internal limit switch called the Group Channel. Its use is dependent on the groups' Operating Mode. It is typically used either to enable or disable the group's inputs and outputs. The state of the Group Channel is only used internally by the group. It is not made available as a physical or virtual output.

Group Offset / Preset Value

Each group has an offset / preset value to adjust the machine position for the group. In Operating Modes 0, 3, 4 and 5 this value acts as a position offset. In Operating Modes 1 and 2 this value acts as a preset. These values do not affect the Machine Offset that adjusts the position value reported over the backplane. They only affect the position value used by the group when calculating the on/off status of the groups' limit switch outputs.

Analog Output Programming

The 8213-VA module has the ability to control two analog outputs built into the RB-2A relay board. Based on the speed of the position data and a programmed formula, these outputs can either be 0 to 10Vdc analog voltage, or 4 to 20mA analog current. Programming the Analog Outputs reduces the number of Physical Outputs by four. That is, physical outputs 13 to 16 will no longer be available.

Chapter 5: INDEPENDENT MODE OPERATIONS

When To Use Independent Mode

You should use Independent Mode when your only requirement is for position based limit switches. Group Mode adds powerful functionality to the 8213-VA module that can decrease PLC scan times by off loading a substantial amount of logic from the processor. However, if you do not need this functionality, operating the 8213-VA module in Independent Mode eliminates all of the Group Mode programming which simplifies module setup. When in Independent Mode, the Enable ANDing Parameter and all of the Group Setup Parameters are not used.

Independent Mode Features

The following limit switch features are still available while in Independent Mode.

Limit Switch Output Type

You can program the type of limit switch the output channel will be, Normal, Pulse, or Timed. Normal outputs turn on and off based on position. Pulse outputs generate a pulse train between two position values. Timed outputs are position on, time off outputs. There are two types of Timed outputs, single dwell and dual dwell. In single dwell, you can have a maximum of four Physical timed outputs and four Virtual timed outputs. In dual dwell, all sixteen Physical outputs can be programmed as a timed output, but the Virtual outputs are not available.

Speed Compensation

Separate ON/OFF advances for each limit switch are still available to compensate for fixed delays in the system. The maximum compensation is ± 499.9 mSec. Setting the Advance to a positive value will force the output to turn on earlier in the cycle. Setting the Advance to a negative value will force the output to turn on later in the cycle.

Motion ANDing

Both motion detectors are available in Independent Mode. You can disable a limit switch output by ANDing it with either of the two motion detectors. This prevents the output from firing until the machine is running within the range programmed into the motion detector.

Physical Limit Switch Disable Inputs

A feature not available in Group Mode is the Physical LS Disable Inputs. While in Independent Mode, each Physical output can be disabled by the corresponding Physical input. Output 1 is attached to Input 1, Output 2 to Input 2, etc. The Physical outputs will not fire unless the corresponding Physical input is active. When in Group Mode, a single input per group can be used to disable the outputs assigned to the group. Virtual Outputs do not have Disable Inputs. You can use the Output Force OFF bits instead. By default, this feature is automatically disabled. If you leave the Physical Input Active State parameters to their default values of zero, the inputs will act like normally closed relays. If you do not use the input, the outputs will then fire normally.

Chapter 6: GROUP MODE OPERATIONS

When To Use Group Mode

You should use Group Mode when you want to control multiple Limit Switch outputs from a single input. The Group Mode functions allow you to fire the outputs only after a product has been detected, or only if a product has been detected while it is in the correct location.

In addition to all of the features available in Independent Mode (Limit Switch Output Type, Speed Compensation, and Motion ANDing), the following features are also available in Group mode.

Assigning Limit Outputs to Groups

Each Group has an *Output Quantity* parameter. This parameter defines the number of outputs assigned to the group. Outputs are assigned in consecutive order. Because Physical and Virtual outputs cannot be assigned to the same group, the maximum number of outputs per group is sixteen. When operating the 8213-VA module in Group Mode you must assign an output to a group before using it. The module will give you an error if you try to program Limit Switch Parameters for a limit switch output that is not assigned to a group.

Group Inputs

Each of the six groups has two dedicated inputs, but the group can only use one at a time. One of these *Group Inputs* is Physical and the other is Virtual. The type of input used is the same as the type of outputs assigned to the group. If the group controls physical outputs, then the physical Group Input is used. If the group controls virtual outputs, then the virtual Group Input is used. The Operating Mode assigned to the group defines the function of the input.

When the 8213-VA module is in Group Mode, there are also four additional inputs available. The first two are the *LS Enable Inputs*. Like the Groups Inputs, there is one physical LS Enable Input and one virtual LS Enable Input. Any physical output can be tied to the physical LS Enable Input. Likewise, any virtual output can be tied to the virtual LS Enable Input. The output is tied to the LS Enable Input with an ANDing function. That is to say, every output tied to the corresponding LS Enable Input will only fire if the LS Enable Input is active.

The second two additional inputs are the *First Cycle Inputs*. Like the other inputs, there is one physical First Cycle Input and one virtual First Cycle Input. These inputs only apply to the groups operating in Mode 5. The purpose of the First Cycle Inputs is to enable the group outputs to fire on the first machine cycle if other conditions are also met. Its use is fully described below in the Mode 5 section of this chapter.

NOTE: Unlike the Group and LS Enable Inputs you can assign either First Cycle Input to any group operating in Mode 5. This gives you the ability to enable a group of physical outputs to fire with a virtual input from the backplane.

Each Group has its own dedicated input. That is, Group 1 is always controlled by Input 1, Group 2 by Input 2, etc. The table below lists the input numbers for all of the Groups, LS Enable, and First Cycle Inputs.

	Physical Input	Virtual Input
Group 1 Input	1	17
Group 1 Input	2	18
Group 1 Input	3	19
Group 1 Input	4	20
Group 1 Input	5	21
Group 1 Input	6	22
LS Enable Input	7	23
First Cycle Input	8	24

Mode 0

When a group is placed in Mode 0 its outputs will function as normal limit switches. Inputs assigned to the group are not used and the Group Channel need not be programmed. Outputs in the group can still be conditioned by tying them to the LS Enable Input and/or either of the two motion detectors. The outputs assigned to the group will cycle their outputs once per rotation. The group also has a Group Offset parameter that can be used to make the Group Position different from the Machine Position. If the Group Offset equals zero then the Group Position will equal the Machine Position.

Mode 1

When a group is placed in Mode 1 its outputs will function as normal limit switches. Outputs in the group can be conditioned by tying them to the LS Enable Input and/or either of the two motion detectors. The difference between Mode 1 and Mode 0 is that you can use the Group Input to Apply a Preset to the Group Position. Typically the Group Input is tied to a sensor that detects a registration mark on the machine or a product. When the mark is sensed the Group Position is preset to the value programmed in the Group Preset parameter. This synchronizes the outputs in the group to the registration mark or the product. The position can be preset to any value between zero and (Scale Factor -1). Any transitions of the Group Input are ignored until either of the Group Channel's On/Off setpoints are reached. To be detected In Mode 1, the input must be on for at least 100 μ s.

Mode 2

Mode 2 is very similar in operation to Mode 1. The only difference between the two Operating Modes is that the outputs in Mode 2 are normally disabled. The Group Input is used to preset the Group Position to the value stored in the Group Preset parameter. As in mode 1, the group position can be preset to any value between zero and (Scale Factor -1). When the Group Position is preset, the outputs are enabled, and the Group Input disabled, until the dwell in the Group Channel is reached. Outputs in the group can be further conditioned by tying them to the LS Enable Input and/or either of the two motion detectors. Typically, the Group Input is tied to a sensor that detects the presence of product. When the product is sensed, the group outputs are synchronized to the product and are allowed to fire. If a product is not present on the next rotation, the outputs will not fire again. To be detected In Mode 2, the input must be on for at least 100 μ s.

Mode 3

When a group is placed in Mode 3 the Group Input is used to enable the outputs in the group. The Group Channel has no affect and need not be programmed. The Group Input is typically tied to a sensor that detects the presence of material. The outputs will then only fire when material is present. Outputs in the group can be further conditioned by tying them to the LS Enable Input and/ or either of the two motion detectors. The outputs assigned to the group will cycle their outputs once per rotation. The group has a Group Offset that can be used to make the Group Position different from the Machine Position. If the Group Offset equals zero then the Group Position will equal the Machine Position. To be detected In Mode 3, the input must be on for at least 1ms.

Mode 4

When a group is placed in Mode 4 the Group Input is used to enable the outputs for one cycle. The positive transition, (inactive state to active), on the Group Input must occur between the programmed Group On and Off Channel Setpoints in order for the outputs to be enabled. The outputs are enabled until the dwell on the Group Channel is again reached. The Group Input is typically tied to a sensor that detects the presence of material. The outputs will then only fire when material is present and correctly positioned. Outputs in the group can be further conditioned by tying them to the LS Enable Input and/or either of the two motion detectors. The outputs assigned to the group will cycle their outputs once per rotation. The group has a Group Offset that can be used to make the Group Position different from the Machine Position. If the Group Offset equals zero then the Group Position will equal the Machine Position. To be detected In Mode 4, the input must be on for at least 1ms.

Mode 5

When a group is placed in Mode 5 the Group Input is used to enable the outputs for one cycle. In Mode 4, a positive transition on the Group Input must occur between the Group Channels' On and Off setpoints in order for the outputs to be enabled. In Mode 5, the outputs are enabled if the Group Input is active at any time between the programmed Group On and Off Channel Setpoints. The outputs are enabled for one cycle. The Group Input is typically tied to a sensor that detects the presence of material. The outputs will then only fire when material is present. Outputs in the group can be further conditioned by tying them to the LS Enable Input and/or either of the two motion detectors.

In Mode 5, the outputs are disabled within the programmed update time of the Tach Response if the machine stops for any reason. In gluing applications this shuts off the glue gun if the machine stops while glue is being applied. The First Cycle Input can be used to re-enable the outputs once the machine has started again. The group has a Group Offset that can be used to make the Group Position different from the Machine Position. If the Group Offset equals zero then the Group Position will equal the Machine Position.

To be detected In Mode 5, the input must be on for at least 1ms.

Chapter 7: INPUT & OUTPUT DATA

Input Registers (Data sent from the 8213-VA module to the PLC)

This data consists of either eight (independent mode) or fourteen (group mode) words and is read by the PLC at the RPI (Rate Packet Interval) Time that is asynchronous to the Ladder Logic Program. The Input data will be referenced as Local:X.I.Data[Y] where “X” is the slot number and “Y” is the word number. To insure that the same data is used throughout the entire PLC program, this data should be buffered to internal registers at one place in the program. Note, the minimum RPI time for the 8213-VA module is 0.3ms.

Input Word	Function
0	Status Word (See description below)
1	Acknowledge Word (See description below)
2	Machine position data
3	Velocity data (default of Revolutions/Minute)
4	Physical Limit Switch Output Status, Limits 1 to 16: Sets a bit to indicate that the physical output is active. Bit 0 = output 1, Bit 1 = output 2 ... Bit 15 = output 16.
5	Virtual Limit Switch Output Status, Limits 17 to 32: Sets a bit to indicate that the virtual output is active. Bit 0 = output 17, Bit 1 = output 18 ... Bit 15 = output 32.
6	Physical Input Status: Sets a bit to indicate when a physical input is active. Bit 0 = input 1, Bit 1 = input 2 ... Bit 15 = input 16.
7	Time Value Difference (This register contains the difference between the Position Time (the value received from output word 9) and the Event Time (the value received directly from the PLC).
8	Group 1 Position (Group Mode Only)
9	Group 2 Position (Group Mode Only)
10	Group 3 Position (Group Mode Only)
11	Group 4 Position (Group Mode Only)
12	Group 5 Position (Group Mode Only)
13	Group 6 Position (Group Mode Only)

Word 0: Status Word

- bit 0: Setup Fault. Either the module has not been configured, or the Setup Data is not valid.
- bit 1: Programming Fault in the MESSAGE data containing the Group programming
- bit 2: Programming Fault in the MESSAGE data containing the Output or Analog Output programming. If any of the Programming fault bits are set, check the status MESSAGE data.
- bit 3: Output Increment/Decrement Output Number Error (set if the output number being incremented/decremented is invalid.
- bit 4: Output Increment/Decrement Output Setpoint Error. Set if the setpoint number being changed is outside of the range of 1 to 4, or 9. Also set if you try to increment or decrement past the other setpoint or you try to increment/decrement an output that has not been programmed.
- bit 5: Message Ignored Error: This bit will be set if an attempt is made to program a parameter while a programming error exists
- bit 6: Module Error: This bit will be set if the module self test fails, or if jumper JP4 is missing from the main board.
- bit 7: Transducer Fault - set if the time value transferred from the PLC is interrupted. (Word 0 bits 12 to 15 provide a more detailed description of the reasons for a transducer fault.) Changing the PLC from Program to Run mode will also cause a transducer fault.
- bit 8: Motion Detect 1 bit: set when the velocity data is within the range of motion detect 1.

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- bit 9: Motion Detect 2 bit: set when the velocity data is within the range of motion detect 2.
 - bit 10: Set if the velocity data in Input Word 3 exceeds 32,767. If this occurs, the velocity data will keep increasing, but will be negative in the input table because the MSB of velocity data word is used to indicate the sign of the value.
 - bit 11: reserved, will always be zero
 - bit 12: Set if the difference between the Event Time and the Position Time is greater than 25ms.
 - bit 13: Set if the (Position Time – Event Time) > 10ms
 - bit 14: Set when the Event Time has not changed for 37 or more milliseconds.
 - bit 15: Set if the Current Position Time is greater than the Previous Position Time or if the difference between two consecutive Position Times is greater than 30ms.

Word 1: Acknowledge word

- bit 0: Increment/Decrement **ACK**nowledge bit
- bit 1: Setup **ACK**nowledge bit
- bit 2: Physical Output programming **ACK**nowledge bit
- bit 3: Virtual Output programming **ACK**nowledge bit
- bit 4: Analog Output programming **ACK**nowledge bit
- bit 5: Group programming **ACK**nowledge bit
- bit 6: Reserved
- bit 7: Reserved
- bit 8: Status Reading Message **ACK**nowledge bit
- bits 9 to 15: Reserved

The Acknowledge bits follow the transitions of the Transmit bits. If the Transmit bit changes from 0 to 1, the Acknowledge bit will change from 0 to 1. If the Transmit bit changes from 1 to 0, the Acknowledge bit will change from 1 to 0. The Acknowledge bit stays in its last state until the next transition of the Transmit bit.

Output Registers (Data sent from the PLC to the 8213-VA module)

This data consists of ten words and is sent from the PLC to the 8213-VA module at the RPI (Rate Packet Interval) Time. Note; the minimum RPI time for the 8213-VA module is 0.3ms. The output data will be referenced as Local:X.O.Data[Y] where “X” is the slot number and “Y” is the word number. The functions available in the Output registers include the ability to Increment and Decrement the On/Off setpoints, the ability to force the Outputs on or off, and the Virtual Inputs.

Output Word	Function
0	Output Setpoint Increment/Decrement Control Word
1	Force the Outputs On. Bit 0 = output 1, bit 1 = output 2 ... bit 15 = output 16
2	Force the Outputs On. Bit 0 = output 17, bit 1 = output 18 ... bit 15 = output 32
3	Force the Outputs Off. Bit 0 = output 1, bit 1 = output 2 ... bit 15 = output 16
4	Force the Outputs Off. Bit 0 = output 17, bit 1 = output 18 ... bit 15 = output 32
5	Virtual Inputs. bit 0 = Virtual Input 1, bit 1 = Virtual Input 2 ... bit 7= Virtual Input 8.
6	Force Physical Inputs Off, bit 0 = input 1, bit 1 = input 2 ... bit 15 = input 16
7	Force Physical Inputs On, bit 0 = input 1, bit 1 = input 2 ... bit 15 = input 16
8	Position Value (Must be scaled to 4096 counts)
9	Time Value (transferred from the PLC using a GSV (Get System Variable) instruction)

Word 0: Output Setpoints Increment/Decrement Control Word

Bits 0 → 5, the output number being changed, 1 → 32

Bits 6 → 9: The On/Off Setpoint being changed, 1 → 4, or 9 to change all of the setpoints

Bit 10: Change On setpoint

Bit 11: Change Off setpoint

To change both the On and Off setpoints with one operation, set both bits 10 and 11. If you don't want to increment or decrement a setpoint on both of the transitions of the transmit bit, reset both bits 10 and 11.

Bit 12: Direction Bit, 0 = increment setpoint, 1 = decrement setpoint

Bit 13: Reserved, must be set to zero

Bit 14: Reset errors (All reset error bits perform the same function. If this clear error bit is set, the transmit bit must also be set. This function can be used without incrementing or decrementing the outputs, but setting bits 0 to 13 to 0)

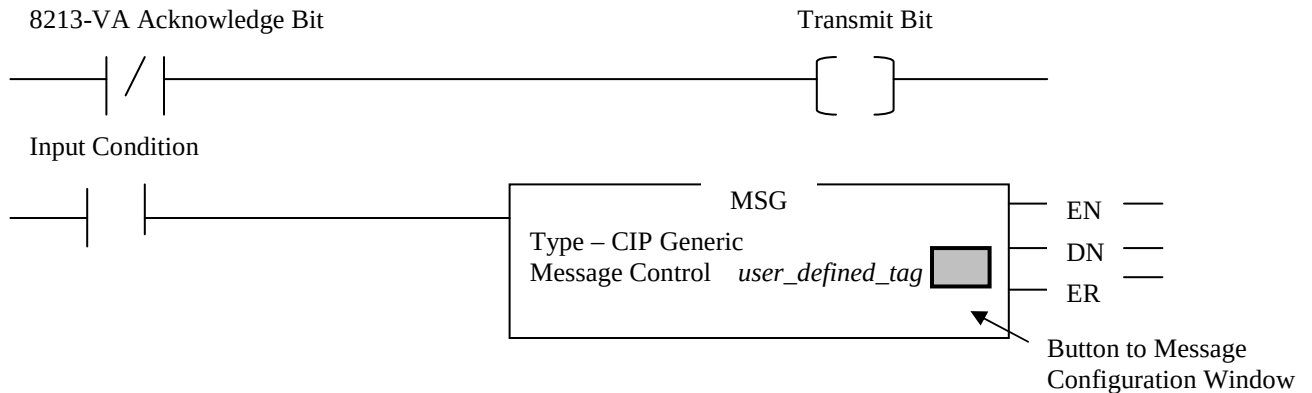
Bit 15: Increment/Decrement Transmit Bit. The programming operation will take place on either the 0 to 1 or 1 to 0 transition of the transmit bit.

Output Register Notes

1. It is not possible to increment or decrement an output when both the on and off setpoints are equal.
2. Outputs 1 to 16 are the Physical Outputs and Outputs 17 to 32 are the Virtual Outputs.
3. Outputs can be forced ON even if they have not yet been programmed.
4. The Force Off function takes priority over the Force On function. That is, if an output is forced both on and off at the same time, than the output will be off.
5. The Virtual Inputs in word 5 are used to control the functions of the Virtual Groups. These bits have no function if the 8213-VA module is configured to operate in Independent Mode.

Chapter 8: MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS

The programming of the Setup, Group, Output, and Analog data, as well as the reading of Status Data, requires the use of Message Instructions. The format of this instruction is shown below.



1. The message instruction sends data to or reads data from the 8213-VA module only when the rung transitions from false to true.
2. The *user_defined_tag* used for Message Instruction Control must have the MESSAGE data type.
3. The data sent by the message instruction to the 8213-VA module will be acted upon on both the 0 to 1 and 1 to 0 transition of the transmit bit. The first rung shown above can be used to automatically toggle this bit.
4. Clicking on the button in the Message Instruction opens the Message Configuration Window, shown below.

Message Configuration - LS_SETUP_MESSAGE

Configuration Communication Tag

Message Type: CIP Generic

Service Type: Custom

Source Element: LS_SETUP_DATA[0]

Source Length: 24 (Bytes)

Service Code: 4c (Hex) Class: 4 (Hex)

Destination

Instance: 200 Attribute: 0 (Hex)

New Tag...

☐ Enable
 ☐ Enable Waiting
 ☐ Start
 ☒ Done
 Done Length: 0

☐ Error Code:
 Extended Error Code:
 ☐ Timed Out

Error Path:

Error Text:

OK Cancel Apply Help

Service Type: Must be Custom

Service Code: Determined by the type of data being transferred, see the table below.

Class: Determined by the type of data being transferred, see the table below.

Instance: Determined by the type of data being transferred, see the table below.

Attribute: Must be set to zero.

Source Element: If the Message Instruction is being used to send data to the 8213-VA module, then the source parameter will be the first tag of the array that contains the data to be sent to the 8213-VA module.

If the Message Instruction is being used to read data from the 8213-VA module, then the source parameter must be left blank.

Source Length: If the Message Instruction is being used to send data to the 8213-VA module, then the Source Length parameter must be set to the number of bytes of data that are being sent to the module. See the table below for a listing of the number of elements.

If the Message Instruction is being used to read data from the 8213-VA module, then the Source Length Parameter must be set to zero.

Destination: If the Message Instruction is being used to send data to the 8213-VA module, then the Destination Parameter must be left blank.

If the Message Instruction is being used to read data from the 8213-VA module, then the Destination Parameter must be set to the first tag of the array where the data will be placed.

The Message Instruction is used with the following information to program the 8213-VA module.

LADDER MESSAGES FOR PROGRAMMING PARAMETERS

Setup	Service Code	4C	Class	4	Available in all 8213-VA Modules
	Instance	200	Number of Bytes	24	
Physical Outputs, single time dwell	Service Code	4C	Class	4	
	Instance	201	Number of Bytes	388	
Virtual Outputs	Service Code	4C	Class	4	
	Instance	202	Number of Bytes	388	
Analog Outputs	Service Code	4C	Class	4	
	Instance	203	Number of Bytes	12	
Physical Outputs in Time Mode	Service Code	4C	Class	4	Cannot be used together with virtual outputs
	Instance	204	Number of Bytes	388	
Group Programming	Service Code	4C	Class	4	Group Configuration
	Instance	210	Number of Bytes	52	
Modify Output	Service Code	4C	Class	4	Available on 8213-VA
	Instance	205	Number of Bytes	8	
Modify Advance	Service Code	4C	Class	4	Available on 8213-VA
	Instance	206	Number of Bytes	8	

Message Configuration – user defined tag (Communication Tab)

When the Configuration window shown above is completed, click on the Communication tab and set the path parameter to the 8213-VA module. All of the remaining Communication parameters can remain at their default settings.

The Message Instruction is used with the following information to read status information from the 8213-VA module.

Modify Outputs & Advances

An additional feature of the 8213-VA module is two additional message instructions that give you the ability to modify a single Physical output's ON/OFF setpoint or Advance parameters. This feature saves time because the PLC does not need to transfer, and the 8213-VA module does not need to process, 194 words of data.

Unlike the message instructions that are used to program the Setup, Group, and Limit Switch data, the message instructions used to modify the outputs and advances do not require the use of Transmit and Acknowledge bits.



Modifying the On / Off setpoints has the following restrictions

- The output number being programmed must be in the range of 1 to 16
- The On Setpoint can only be increased by $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Scale Factor.
- The Off Setpoint can only be decreased by $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Scale Factor.
- If both the On and Off setpoints are being changed, the difference between the two cannot be greater than $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Scale Factor.



Attempting to modify a Pulsed outputs will cause the Message instruction to generate an Extended Error Code.



Do not modify an output setpoint that has not been previously programmed. Doing so may cause other On/Off setpoints assigned to the output to be modified or erased.

Modifying the Advances has the following restrictions

- The output number being programmed must be in the range of 1 to 16
- Both the On and Off advances must be in the range of -4999 to 4999 (-499.9ms to 499.9ms)

LADDER MESSAGE SETUP DATA FOR READING DIAGNOSTIC INFORMATION

Status Data	Service Code	4B	Class	4	In all 8213-VA Modules
	Instance	200	Number of Bytes	0	

Note 1: Programming Physical Outputs in time mode will generate a command error if Virtual Outputs have already been programmed. The same is true if Virtual Outputs are programmed after the Physical Outputs have been programmed in time mode.

Note 2: The message instructions that send the programming data to the 8213-VA module have an error word associated with their status bits. This word has an address of *user_tag.exerr*, where *user_tag* has the Message data type. The error codes that the 8213-VA module places in this status word are shown on the following page.

Extended Error Codes

The Message Instructions used to send data to the 8213-VA module have an error register that can be used to obtain diagnostic information from the module. This register's address is *user_tag.exerr*. The following table shows the values that will be displayed in this register for the various Message Instructions used to send data to the 8213-VA module. Please note that these error codes are only valid when register address *user_tag.err* is equal to 9, and that the causes of the errors are shown in Chapter 10, Reading Status Information.

Message Instruction Function	Instance Name	Extended Error Codes (located in <i>user_tag.exerr</i>)
Setup Data	200	0 = Message Ignored Error 1 = Command Word Format Error 2 = Scale Factor Error 3 = Preset Value Error 4 = Offset Value Error 5 = Motion Detect 1 Error 6 = Motion Detect 2 Error 7 = Rate Programming Error
Physical Outputs, single time dwell	201	0 = Message Ignored Error 1 = Command Word Format Error 2 = Reserved 3 = Advance Value Error 4 = Outputs On Setpoint is invalid 5 = Outputs Off Setpoint is invalid. Also if the output is enabled by selecting Normal, Timed, or Pulse type, but all of the On/Off setpoints are equal to zero. 6 = Timed Output programming is invalid 7 = The number of Timed Outputs exceeds the maximum allowable value 8 = Pulse Output programming is invalid
Virtual Outputs	202	0 = Message Ignored Error 1 = Command Word Format Error 2 = Reserved 3 = Advance Value Error 4 = Outputs On Setpoint is invalid 5 = Outputs Off Setpoint is invalid. Also if the output is enabled by selecting Normal, Timed, or Pulse type, but all of the On/Off setpoints are equal to zero. 6 = Timed Output programming is invalid 7 = The number of Timed Outputs exceeds the maximum allowable value 8 = Pulse Output programming is invalid
Analog Outputs	203	0 = Message Ignored Error 1 = Command Word Format Error 2 = Analog Output Programming error
Physical Outputs, in Time Mode	204	0 = Message Ignored Error 1 = Command Word Format Error 2 = Reserved 3 = Advance Value Error 4 = Outputs On Setpoint is invalid 5 = Outputs Off Setpoint is invalid 6 = Timed Output programming is invalid 7 = The number of Timed Outputs exceeds the maximum allowable value 8 = Pulse Output programming is invalid

Extended Error Codes Continued

Message Instruction Function	Instance Name	Extended Error Codes (located in user_tag.exerr)
Group Programming	210	0 = Message Ignored Error 1 = Command Word Format Error 2 = Group Programming Error 3 = Group Channel On/Off setpoint error 4 = Offset/Preset Value Error
Modify LS Output	205	1 = Message Ignored (An error exists on a different message instruction) 2 = Output number is outside the range of 1 to 16 Modifying an output that has not been enabled 3 = On / Off setpoints outside the range of 0 to (SF – 1) Outputs being modified by more than 0.25 * (Scale Factor) Attempting to modify a pulse output
Modify Advances	206	1 = Message Ignored (An error exists on a different message instruction) 2 = The following conditions will generate an extended error code of 2 - Output Number Error (The output programmed was outside of the range of 1 to 16 or you attempted to modify an output that had not been programmed) - If word 1, the second word, of the data block is not equal to zero 3 = not used 4 = The ON Advance is outside of its valid range 5 = The OFF Advance is outside of its valid range

Note: An error code of 9 with no Extended Error Code indicates that the message instruction took place twice but the transmit bit did not change state.

Chapter 9: SETUP, GROUP, OUTPUT, & ANALOG PROGRAMMING

Setup Programming

These 12 words, 24 bytes, send the Module Setup and Machine Position Setup parameters to the 8213-VA module each time the rung containing the Setup Message instruction transitions from false to true. The data sent by this Message Instruction can be either an Array composed of 12 words with the INT data type, or it can be an Array composed of 12 words of a User Defined data type. See appendix A for information on how to create a User Defined Data Type.

Setup Word	Function
0	Control Bits (See description below)
1	Scale Factor, range of 2 → 4096, default of 1024
2	Preset Value, range of 0 → (SF - 1)
3	Machine Offset, range of 0 → (SF - 1)
4	Motion detect 1 lower level (rpm), 0 to 32,767
5	Motion detect 1 upper level (rpm), 0 to 32,767
6	Motion detect 2 lower level (rpm), 0 to 32,767
7	Motion detect 2 upper level (rpm), 0 to 32,767
8	Physical Input Active State, bit 0 = input 1, bit 1 = input 2 ... bit 15 = input 16. With the bits set to 1, a normally open switch must be closed to activate the input. With the bits set to 0, a normally closed switch must open to activate the input. Set these bits to zero when the inputs are not being used in Independent Mode.
9	Velocity multiplier value, range 0 to 1100.
10	Velocity divider value, range 1 to 63. If word 9 is 0, the divider value can be 0.
11	Velocity decimal point value, range 0 to 3. 0 = divide velocity by 1, 1 = divide velocity by 10, 2 = divide velocity by 100, 3 = divide velocity by 1000.

Word 0: Control Bits

- bit 0: Reset Errors (all reset errors bits perform the same function)
- bit 1: Apply Preset Value (Sets position data sent to the input table to the preset value. It is possible to preset the position even if the unit is in transducer fault.)
- bits 2 → 3: not used, must be set to zero
- bit 4: Program Direction, 0 = CW increasing, 1 = CCW increasing
- bit 5: Program Display Tach Response, 0 = 504ms, and 1 = 120ms. Internally, the tachometer response is set to 24ms, which is used to calculate the output advance times.
- bits 6 & 7: reserved for future use
- bit 8: COS Use: 0 = don't use Change Of State functions, 1 = use COS functions

The COS feature causes the PLC to read the new virtual output status each time the state of one of the virtual outputs changes.

- bit: 9: Slave Mode, 0 = 8213-VA used as master, 1 = 8213-VA used as slave
- bit: 10: 0 = Serial Port used to transmit position and velocity data to a Remote Display unit
1 = Serial port used to either send data as a Master Unit, or receive data as a Slave Unit. If the unit is used as a slave, bit 9 must also be set.
- bits 11 → 14: reserved, must be set to zero
- bit 15: Setup Transmit bit. The Setup data sent by the message instruction to the 8213-VA module will be acted upon on both the 0 to 1 and 1 to 0 transition of the transmit bit.

Group Programming

These 26 words, 52 bytes, send the Group Programming parameters to the 8213-VA module each time the rung containing the Group Message instruction transitions from false to true. The data sent by this Message Instruction can be either an Array composed of 26 words with the INT data type, or it can be an Array composed of 26 words of a User Defined data type. See appendix A for information on how to create a User Defined Data Type.

Group Word(s)	Function
0	Group Programming Control Bits
1	Not used, must be zero
2 to 5	Group 1 Programming Block
6 to 9	Group 2 Programming Block
10 to 13	Group 3 Programming Block
14 to 17	Group 4 Programming Block
18 to 21	Group 5 Programming Block
22 to 25	Group 6 Programming Block

Words 0: Group Programming Control Bits

- bit 0: set to reset errors (all reset error bits perform the same function)
- bits 1 → 14: reserved, must be set to zero
- bit 15: Group Programming Transmit Bit - The Group programming data sent by the message instruction to the 8213-VA module will be acted upon on both the 0 to 1 and 1 to 0 transition of this transmit bit.

The data in each Group Programming Control Block contains the number of number of outputs assigned to the group, the mode assigned to the group, the type of outputs used in the group (physical or virtual), the Offset/Preset value, and the group On/Off setpoints. The following table shows the function of the four words in each of the Group Programming Blocks.

Group Word	Function
N	Group Setup Bits (See Description Below)
N+1	Offset/Preset Value
N+2	Group Channel On Setpoint (0 to SF -1)
N+3	Group Channel Off Setpoint (0 to SF -1)

Note: The Group Word in this table defines which of the 26 words used in Group programming are assigned to the Group Programming Block. For example, if Group 2 is being programmed, than Word “N” would be 6, Word “N+1” = 7, Word “N+2” = 8, and Word “N+3” = 9.

Word N: Group Setup Bits

- bits 0 → 5: the number of limit switch outputs in the group, range of 1 → 16
- bits 6 → 7: not used, must be reset to zero
- bits 8 → 10: the mode used in the group, 0 → 5
- bits 11 → 12: not used
- bit 13: selects first cycle input, “0” = physical input, “1” = virtual input
- bit 14: selects which type of outputs are being controlled by the group, “0” = physical output, “1” = virtual output
- bit 15: set to 1 when the group is to be used, reset if the group is disabled

Limit Switch Output Programming

These 194 words, 388 bytes, send the Output Programming parameters to the 8213-VA module each time the rung containing the Output Message instruction transitions from false to true. The data sent by this Message Instruction can be either an Array composed of 194 words with the INT data type, or it can be an Array composed of 194 words of a User Defined data type. See appendix A for information on how to create a User Defined Data Type. Both the Physical Outputs, numbered 1 to 16, and the Virtual Outputs, numbered 17 to 32, use the same format.

Output Word(s)	Function
0	Output Programming Control Bits
1	Not used, must be zero
2 to 13	Output 1 or 17 Programming Block
14 to 25	Output 2 or 18 Programming Block
26 to 37	Output 3 or 19 Programming Block
38 to 49	Output 4 or 20 Programming Block
50 to 61	Output 5 or 21 Programming Block
62 to 73	Output 6 or 22 Programming Block
74 to 85	Output 7 or 23 Programming Block
86 to 97	Output 8 or 24 Programming Block
98 to 109	Output 9 or 25 Programming Block
110 to 121	Output 10 or 26 Programming Block
122 to 133	Output 11 or 27 Programming Block
134 to 145	Output 12 or 28 Programming Block
146 to 157	Output 13 or 29 Programming Block
158 to 169	Output 14 or 30 Programming Block
179 to 181	Output 15 or 31 Programming Block
182 to 193	Output 16 or 32 Programming Block

Words 0: Output Programming Control Bits

bit 0: set to reset errors (all reset error bits perform the same function)

bits 1 → 14: reserved, must be set to zero

bit 15: Output Programming Transmit Bit - The Output programming data sent by the message instruction to the 8213-VA module will be acted upon on both the 0 to 1 and 1 to 0 transition of this transmit bit.

The data in each Output Programming Control Block contains the output type (normal, timed, or pulsed), if the output will be Motion or Enable Anded, the On/Off advances, and the four On/Off setpoints. The following table shows the function of the fourteen words in each of the Output Programming Blocks.

Output Word	Function
N	Output Setup Bits (See Description Below)
N+1	Not used, must be zero
N+2	On Advance (0 to $\pm 499.9\text{ms}$) in 0.1ms increments (0 to 4999)
N+3	Off Advance (0 to $\pm 499.9\text{ms}$) in 0.1ms increments (0 to 4999)
N+4	On Setpoint 1 (0 to SF-1)
N+5	Off Setpoint 1 (0 to SF-1)
N+6	On Setpoint 2 (0 to SF-1)
N+7	Off Setpoint 2 (0 to SF-1)
N+8	On Setpoint 3 (0 to SF-1)
N+9	Off Setpoint 3 (0 to SF-1)
N+10	On Setpoint 4 (0 to SF-1)
N+11	Off Setpoint 4 (0 to SF-1)

Note: The Output Word in this table defines which of the 194 words used in Output programming is assigned to the Output Programming Block. For example, if Output 3 is being programmed, then Word “N” would be 26, Word “N+1” = 27, Word “N+2” = 28, up to Word “N+11” = 37.

Word N: Output Setup Bits [Defines the output type (normal, timed, or pulses), if the output will be motion ANDed, and if the output will be Enable ANDed]

Bits 0 and 1: Output type

Bit 1	Bit 0	Function
0	0	Output not used (Select this bit pattern for outputs that are not being used)
0	1	Pulse output
1	0	Timed output
1	1	Normal output

Bits 2 to 12: Not Used

Bits 13 and 14: Motion ANDing Control Bits

Bit 14	Bit 13	Function
0	0	No motion ANDing
0	1	Motion ANDing 1
1	0	Motion ANDing 2
1	1	Reserved

Bit 15: Set for Enable Input ANDing

Warning: Defining the output type with bits 0 and 1 and not programming any of the on/off setpoints, that is if all of the output’s on/off setpoints are equal to zero, will cause the 8213-VA module to generate a programming error. Specifically, the Message Instructions Extended Error code will be equal to 5, which indicates an Off setpoint error.

The following table shows the function of each of the setpoint words for the different output types.

	Normal Output Type	Pulsed Output Type	Timed Output Single Dwell	Pulsed Output Time Mode	Timed Output Time Mode
Setpoint 1 On	On Setpoint 1	On position, leading edge of 1 st pulse	On Setpoint 1	On position, leading edge of 1 st pulse	On Setpoint 1
Setpoint 1 Off	Off Setpoint 1	Off Position, trailing edge of last pulse	Off Setpoint 1	Off Position, trailing edge of last pulse	Off Setpoint 1
Setpoint 2 On	On Setpoint 2	Total Number of Pulses	Dwell Time	Total Number of Pulses	On Setpoint 2
Setpoint 2 Off	Off Setpoint 2	Duration of each pulse in counts	0	Duration of each pulse in counts	Off Setpoint 2
Setpoint 3 On	On Setpoint 3	0	0	Dwell Time for each pulse in message 204	Setpoint 1 Dwell Time
Setpoint 3 Off	Off Setpoint 3	0	0	0	Setpoint 2 Dwell Time
Setpoint 4 On	On Setpoint 4	0	0	0	0
Setpoint 4 Off	Off Setpoint 4	0	0	0	0

Note 1: The advances are programmed in 0.1ms increments. For example, if the value to be entered is 5.3ms, then the value entered in the data table would be 53. If the desired function is to retard the output instead of advance it, the value entered in the data table should be negative. For example, to retard the output by 6.7ms, enter a value of -67 in the data table.

Note 2: The On/Off setpoints have a range of 0 to (Scale Factor - 1).

Note 3: Any output can be programmed as timed. The output will activate only when both the On setpoint is reached and the output's associated input is active. (The timing operation does not start until the input is active.) The output turns off when the timer has reached the value entered in the time value. However, if the outputs are being programmed with message instances 201 or 202, and the Off setpoint is reached before the timer times out, the timing operation will be aborted, and the output will turn off immediately.

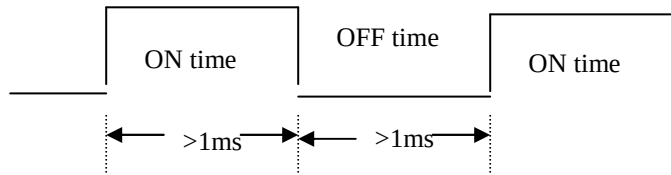
Note 4: If the outputs are being programmed with message instances 201 or 202, and if the output type is selected as Timed, only the On/Off setpoint 1 will be used. Any values entered in the words containing Off setpoint 2 through Off Setpoint 4 will be ignored. Up to four physical and four virtual timed outputs can be programmed. Exceeding this number will cause an error bit to be set.

Note 5: If the outputs are being programmed with message instances 201 or 202, and if the output type is selected as pulsed, the words containing On/Off setpoints 3 and 4 will be ignored. In message 204 the <Setpoint 3 On> word defines the Dwell Time for each pulse. The words for <Setpoint 3 Off> and <Setpoint 4 On/Off> are ignored.

Note 6: Timed outputs are programmed in 1ms increments.

Note 7: Timed outputs start timing when the corresponding input becomes active. It will restart timing the next time the input transitions from 0 to 1.

- Note 8:** In Time Mode, all 16 physical outputs can be programmed as Timed. Messages for programming virtual outputs cannot be used when message 204 is active, or Message instance 204 cannot be used if virtual outputs have already been programmed.
- Note 9:** In Time Mode, if only one timed output is required, than the second on/off setpoint pair must be zero or a 1ms wide pulse will occur at the on point of the second on/off setpoint pair.
- Note 10:** In Time Mode, the outputs turn off based only on the programmed time value, meaning that the Off setpoint is not used. However, in order to internally function correctly, the 8213-VA modules requires the programming of both the count based On and Off setpoints. To fire the output correctly, the module also requires that both the ON time and OFF time must exceed 1ms, and that the output must be off for 1ms between when the timer expires and when the next On setpoint is reached. If either the ON or OFF times are less than 1ms, than the module will output 1 pulse instead of 2.

**Example**

Scale Factor = 4096 Counts
Maximum Machine Speed = 100rev/min
First Programmed On Setpoint position = 1500

$$100\text{rev/min} * 1\text{min}/60,000\text{ms} * 4096 \text{ counts/rev} = 6.83\text{counts/ms}$$

Therefore in order for the outputs to fire correctly, the lowest possible value that the first Off Setpoint is 1507, and the next On setpoint cannot be programmed lower than 1514.

Continuing this example, if Pulsed outputs are being programmed in Time Mode, than the Duration Parameter (the setpoint 2 off value) must be a value greater than 7.

Modify On/Off Setpoint Programming

These 4 words, 8 bytes, modify one Physical On/Off setpoint each time the rung containing the Modify Output Message instruction transitions from false to true. The data sent by this Message Instruction is made up of an Array composed of 4 words with the INT data type.

Modify On/Off Word	Function	Range
0	Physical Output Number	1 to 16 output must be enabled cannot be used on pulsed outputs
1	Setpoint Number	1 to 4
2	On Setpoint	Must be within $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Scale Factor of the current On setpoint
3	Off Setpoint	Must be within $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Scale Factor of the current Off setpoint



The difference between the On and Off setpoints cannot be greater than $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Scale Factor.



Do not modify an output setpoint that has not been previously programmed. Doing so may cause other On/Off setpoints assigned to the output to be modified or erased.

Modify On/Off Advance Programming

These 4 words, 8 bytes, modify one Physical Output's Advance each time the rung containing the Modify Advance Message instruction transitions from false to true. The data sent by this Message Instruction is made up of an Array composed of 4 words with the INT data type.

Modify Advance Word	Function	Range
0	Physical Output Number	1 to 16 output must be enabled
1	0	Must be zero
2	On Advance	-4999 to +4999 (-499.9ms to 499.9ms)
3	Off Advance	-4999 to +4999 (-499.9ms to 499.9ms)

Analog Output Programming

These 6 words, 12 bytes, send the Analog Output Programming parameters to the 8213-VA module each time the rung containing the Analog Message instruction transitions from false to true. The data sent by this Message Instruction can be either an Array composed of 6 words with the INT data type, or it can be an Array composed of 6 words of a User Defined data type. See appendix A for information on how to create a User Defined Data Type.

Analog Word	Function
0	Analog Setup Bits (See Description Below)
1	Not Used, must be zero
2	RPM value at which analog output 1 is outputting its maximum value, range = 0 to 32767
3	Analog output 1 value at 0 RPM
4	RPM value at which analog output 2 is outputting its maximum value, range = 0 to 32767
5	Analog output 2 value at 0 RPM

Word 0: Analog Setup Bits

- bit 0: set to reset errors (all reset errors bit perform the same function)
- bit 1: set to enable analog output 1
- bit 2: analog output 1 type: 0 = voltage, 1 = current
- bits 2 → 8: reserved, must be set to zero
- bit 9: set to enable analog output 2
- bit 10: analog output 2 type: 0 = voltage, 1 = current
- bits 11 → 14: not used, must be set to zero
- bit 15: Analog Output Programming Transmit Bit - The Analog Output programming data sent by the message instruction to the 8213-VA module will be acted upon on both the 0 to 1 and 1 to 0 transition of this transmit bit.

Note 1: The Analog outputs are based on speed, not on its position.

Note 2: Voltage values are entered in 10mV increments, XX.XX volts, and have a range of 0.00Vdc to 10.00Vdc.

Note 3: Current values are entered in 10µA increments, XX.XXmA, and have a range of 4.00mA to 20.00mA.

Note 4: Only positive voltage or current values can be output.

Note 5: The programmable voltage values that can be entered are -999 to 999. If a value outside of this range is entered, status bit 7 in the *OUTPUT PROGRAMMING STATUS WORD* will be set. A negative voltage value can be programmed only to provide a different output profile. The minimum value at 0 RPM will always be 0Vdc.

Note 6: The programmable current values that can be entered are -1199 to 1999. If a value outside of this range is entered, status bit 7 in the *OUTPUT PROGRAMMING STATUS WORD* will be set. A negative current value can be programmed only to provide a different output profile. The minimum value at 0 RPM will always be 4.00mA.

Note 7: If the velocity data exceeds what has been programmed, the output will remain at its maximum value.

Note 8: Whenever the analog outputs are used, physical outputs 13 to 16 are not available.

Note 9: Analog Output 1 must be programmed before Analog output 2. If output 2 is programmed before 1, error bit 6 in the *OUTPUT PROGRAMMING STATUS WORD* will be set.

Note 10: The following procedure can be used to calculate output values:

- a) The formula is $\text{Analog Output} = m * (\text{RPM}) + b$
- b) Determine the output value at zero speed (RPM)
- c) Determine a 2nd output value at a 2nd speed
- d) $b = \text{output value at zero speed}$
- e) $m = (\text{2nd output} - b) / (\text{2nd RPM})$
- f) If the 2nd output value is not the maximum, calculate the maximum RPM.
 $\text{RPM max} = (\text{max output} - b) / m$
- g) Multiply the output at zero speed by 100 and place the value in the correct registers for output 1 or for output 2.

Chapter 10: READING STATUS INFORMATION

In this case the Message Instruction is used to read Status Information from the 8213-VA module. The data that is read is placed in a 7 word array composed of the INT data type, or a 7 word array composed of a User Defined Data type. See appendix A for information on how to create a User Defined Data Type. The format of this data is shown below.

Word 0: Position Offset, generated by a Preset operation. This word must be copied to the *Offset Value* word in the *Setup Data* each time the setup data is sent to the 8213-VA module in order to keep the position absolute.

Word 1: Module Configuration Status Word

- bit 0: Scale Factor Error
- bit 1: Preset Value Error
- bit 2: Offset Value Error
- bit 3: Motion Detect 1 error, set if the values are negative or equal but not zero
- bit 4: Motion Detect 2 error, set if the values are negative or equal but not zero
- bit 5: Rate Programming error, set if the multiplier, divider or decimal point values are out of range.
- bits 6 to 13: reserved for future use
- bit 14: Message ignored bit. Set if a new setup command has been issued, without the Clear Error bit set, when a previous command on a different Message Block has been signaled as being invalid
- bit 15: set when there is a Command Word Format Error, such as setting bits in Setup Word 0 that should be zero, or setting the transmit bit without setting any other bits

Word 2: Output Programming Status Word

- bit 0: Set if an Output's On setpoint is invalid
- bit 1: Set if an Output's Off setpoint is invalid, if all the on/off setpoints are 0 with the output is enabled, or if the on setpoint = off setpoint and they are not zero.
- bit 2: Set if an Output's Advance Value is invalid, including advances applied to timed and pulse outputs
- bit 3: Set if an Output's Timed Output Value is outside of 0 to 9999. Also set if the on/off setpoints of the timed output are outside of the (Scale Factor – 1) range
- bit 4: Set if the number of Timed Outputs exceeds the maximum allowable value, 4 physical and 4 virtual if programmed for single dwell using instance 201. Sixteen timed outputs can be programmed if instance 204 is used to program the module in Time Mode.
- bit 5: Set if an Output's Pulsed Output Programming is invalid, as shown by the following formula

$$(\text{Trailing Edge} - \text{Leading Edge}) < ((\text{Pulse Quantity} * \text{On Count}) + (\text{Pulse Quantity} - 1))$$

Also set if the on/off setpoints of the pulse output are outside of the (Scale Factor – 1) range

bit 6: Set if there is an analog output programming error, such as using analog output 2 without analog output 1.

bit 7: Set if an analog output parameter is incorrect

bit 8: Set if the outputs are disabled. This can be caused by either a transducer fault, or if the module has not yet been programmed. If the outputs have been programmed, this bit can be reset by any of the clear error commands. The bit can also be cleared by programming the output data.

bits 9 → 13: reserved for future use

bit 14: Message ignored bit. Set if a new setup command has been issued, without the Clear Error bit set, when a previous command on a different Message Block has been signaled as being invalid. This bit will also be set if the outputs are programmed before the setup data.

bit 15: Command Word Format Error, set under the following conditions.

1. Setting any of the bits in the command word, including the Analog Output Command Word, which should be zero.
2. If the 8213-VA module is being used in group mode, this bit will be set if the outputs are programmed before the groups.
3. If outputs that have not been defined by the group programming. For example, if only 4 outputs are assigned to the groups, then programming output 5 will set this bit.
4. If both motion ANDing bits 13 and 14 are set.
5. Programming the virtual outputs after using a Message Instruction with Instance 204 to program the outputs. Instance 204 allows the programming of outputs in time mode.
6. If Instance 204 is used after Virtual Outputs have already been programmed.
7. Transmitting the output data without any control bits set.
8. Programming the outputs without enabling at least one of the outputs.

Word 3: Output Programming Diagnostics - If any of the error bits 0 to 7 of the *Output Programming Status Word* are set, this word will indicate which output has the error, 1 to 32. If there is a problem with the Analog Output Programming, this value will be 1 or 2.

Word 4 Output Programming Diagnostics - If either bits 0 1 of the *Output Programming Status Word* are set, this word will indicate which On/Off pair has the error, 1 to 4. If the error is caused by the On setpoint equaling the Off Setpoint, this register will show a value of 4.

Word 5: Group Output Programming Status Word

bit 0: Group Offset/Preset Value error

bit 1: Group Programming Error, set if the number of outputs or the mode is invalid.

bit 2: Group channel On/Off setpoint is outside of its range

bits 3 → 13: reserved for future use

bit 14: Message ignored bit. Set if a new setup command has been issued, without the Clear Error bit set, when a previous command on a different Message Block has been signaled as being invalid. Also set if the groups are programmed when the module in Independent Mode.

bit 15: set when there is a Command Word Format Error, such as setting bits in the command word which should be zero, or setting the transmit bit without setting any other bits

Word 6: Group Number Error - If bits 0, 1 or 2 of the *Group Output Programming Status Word* are set, this word will indicate which group has the error by showing a value of 1 to 6

Appendix A: CREATING USER DEFINED DATA TYPES

RSLogix 5000 allows user defined types to be created by combining existing data types together under a new name. This has the advantage of creating data types that are very descriptive and or will be used repeatedly. Because of the number of parameters used to program the 8213-VA module, it may be easier to create User-Defined tags. It is even possible to use previously created User-Defined tags in a new User-Defined tag.

Use the following procedure to create User-Defined tags.

1. From the Controller Organizer, right click on User-Defined under the Data Types folder.
2. Select on New Data Type...
3. Type a name for the new data type. (It must begin with a letter.)
4. In the first line of the Members section, type a name of the first parameter of the new data type.
5. In the Data Type column, select the desired data type, such as INT or DINT, for the first parameter of this new data type.
6. If desired, change the Style in which this parameter will be displayed. For example, the Style can be changed from Decimal to Hex.
7. Repeat the previous three steps for any additional parameters to be added to this new User-Defined data type.
8. Click on Apply when you are finished creating the new Data Type.
9. Use the Edit Tags feature to create a Tag array using the new User-Defined Data Type in the type field.

The following tables show User-Defined data types that can be created and used with the 8213-VA module. These are the User-Defined data tags that are used in the 8213-VA Sample Programs shown in the Tech Library section of our website, www.amci.com.

Setup (24 Bytes)

Name	Data Type	Style
Control_Bits	INT	Hex
Scale_Factor	INT	Decimal
Preset	INT	Decimal
Offset	INT	Decimal
lower_MD1	INT	Decimal
upper_MD1	INT	Decimal
lower_MD2	INT	Decimal
upper_MD2	INT	Decimal
IN_Active_State	INT	Hex
Velocity_Multiplier	INT	Decimal
Velocity_Divider	INT	Decimal
Velocity_Decimal	INT	Decimal

Setpoint (4 bytes)

Name	Data Type	Style
On	INT	Decimal
Off	INT	Decimal

The Setpoint data type is used in the User-Defined tags created to perform both Group Programming and Output Programming.

Grouping (8 bytes)

Name	Data Type	Style
Control_Bits	INT	Hex
Offset/Preset	INT	Decimal
+ Setpoint	SETPOINT	

This data type is used to hold the parameters of each of the six groups. The setpoint data type was created above.

Six_Groups (52 bytes)

Name	Data Type	Style
Control_Bits	DINT	Hex
group_1	GROUPING	
group_2	GROUPING	
group_3	GROUPING	
group_4	GROUPING	
group_5	GROUPING	
group_6	GROUPING	

This data type is used to hold both the parameters of all six groups and the Group Programming control bits. The Grouping data type was created above.

Output (24 Bytes)

Name	Data Type	Style
Control_Bits	DINT	Hex
On_Advance	INT	Decimal
Off_Advance	INT	Decimal
+ Setpoint_1	SETPOINT	
+ Setpoint_2	SETPOINT	
+ Setpoint_3	SETPOINT	
+ Setpoint_4	SETPOINT	

This data type is used to hold the parameters of each of the 32 Limit Switch outputs. The setpoint data type was created above.

Sixteen Outputs (388 Bytes)

Name	Data Type	Style
Control_Bits	DINT	Hex
+ Output_1	OUTPUT	
+ Output_2	OUTPUT	
+ Output_3	OUTPUT	
+ Output_4	OUTPUT	
+ Output_5	OUTPUT	
+ Output_6	OUTPUT	
+ Output_7	OUTPUT	
+ Output_8	OUTPUT	
+ Output_9	OUTPUT	
+ Output_10	OUTPUT	
+ Output_11	OUTPUT	
+ Output_12	OUTPUT	
+ Output_13	OUTPUT	
+ Output_14	OUTPUT	
+ Output_15	OUTPUT	
+ Output_16	OUTPUT	

This data type is used to hold the parameters of both 16 outputs and the Output Programming control bits. The Output data type was created above. This data type can be used to send either Physical or Virtual Limit Switch Output data to the 8213-VA module.

Analog (12 Bytes)

Name	Data Type	Style
Control_Bits	DINT	Hex
Out_1_Max_RPM	INT	Decimal
Out_1_Min	INT	Decimal
Out_2_Max_RPM	INT	Decimal
Out_2_Min	INT	Decimal

This data type is used to hold the Analog parameters and the Analog programming control bits.

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