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# **RemoDAQ-8017A**

## **User's Manual**



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  - Product name and serial number
  - Description of your peripheral attachments
  - Description of your software (operating system, version, application software, etc.)
  - A complete description of the problem
  - The exact wording of any error messages

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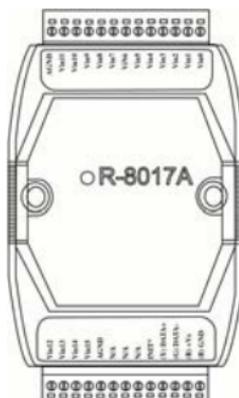
## 1 Introduction

The RemoDAQ-8000 Series is a set of intelligent sensor to computer interface modules containing built in microprocessor. They are remotely controlled through a simple set of commands issued in ASCII format and transmitted in RS-485 protocol. They provide signal conditioning, isolation, ranging, A/D and D/A conversion, data comparison, digital communication, timer/counter, wireless communication, collection AC and other functions.

RemoDAQ-8017A is a 16-channel Voltage/Current input module, support both ASCII and Modbus protocols. The common features of AI modules are given as following:

- 3000VDC Isolated AI
- 24-bits sigma-delta ADC to provide excellent accuracy.
- Software calibration
- TVS / PTC preponderate over Voltage protect

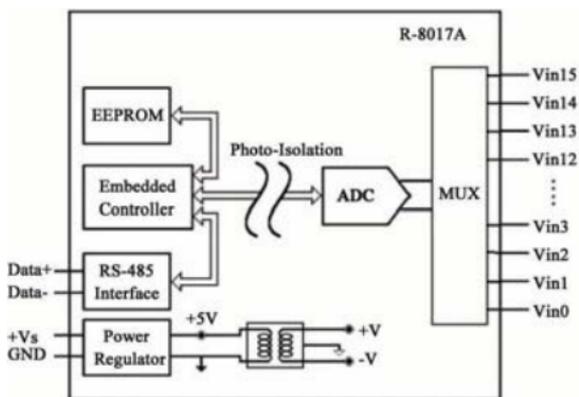
### 1.1 Pin Assignment & Specifications



**RemoDAQ-8017A Specifications:**

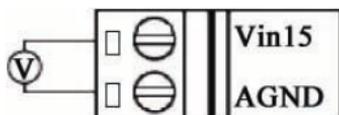
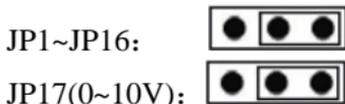
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|------------------------|--|
| Channel                | 16   |
| Input type             | mA, V  |
| Input range            | 0~5V, 0~10V, 0~20mA                                |
| Output                 | RS-485 (2-wire)                                    |
| Speed (in bps)         | 1200,2400,4800,9600,19.2K,38.4K,57.6K,115.2K       |
| Maximum distance       | 4000ft. (1200m.)                                   |
| Accuracy               | $\pm 0.1\%$ or better                              |
| Zero drift             | $20\mu\text{V}/^\circ\text{C}$                     |
| Span drift             | $25\text{ppm}/^\circ\text{C}$                      |
| Isolation voltage      | 3000VDC  |
| CMR@50/60Hz            | 86dB   |
| Bandwidth              | 15.7Hz   |
| Conversion rate        | 6.8 samples/sec                                    |
| Input impedance        | $10\text{M}\Omega$                                 |
| Overvoltage protection | $20\text{V}_{\text{P,P}}$                          |
| Power supply           | 10~30VDC   |
| Power consumption      | 1.3W   |
| Environment            | Operating Temperature: $-20 \sim 70^\circ\text{C}$ |
|                        | Humidity: $5 \sim 95\%$ , non-condensing           |

## 1.2 Block Diagram

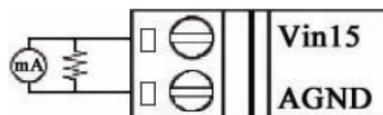
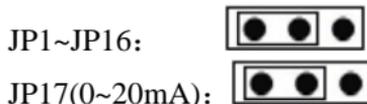


## 1.3 Application Wiring

### Voltage Wire Connection



### Current Wire Connection



**Notice:** Because modular is internal to set signal protective circuit, under the condition that does not supply power can affect as normal signal produces, so must install and gather signal under ensuring the condition of normal power supply, and cut off or stop gathering signal before modular broken electricity.

## 1.4 Default Setting

- Address: 01
- Baudrate: 9600 bps
- Analog input type: 0~10V
- 60Hz filter rejection, Checksum disable, engineering unit format

## 1.5 Jumper Setting

Jumper JP1~JP16 for select the pin Voltage/Current

1-2: Current  2-3: Voltage 

Jumper JP17 for select 0~10V, 0~5V or 0~20mA

1-2: 0~5V or 0~20mA  2-3: 0~10V 

## 1.6 Calibration

### What do you need to do calibration?

1. One 5 1/2 digital multimeter.
2. A voltage calibrator or very stable and noise free DC voltage generator.
3. A precision resistance decade box or discrete resistors.
4. RemoDAQ-8000 Utility

### Notice:

1. Apply power to the module and let it warm up for about 30 minutes
2. Connect calibration voltage (or current) signal to module's input connect to channel 0.

### Calibrate for RemoDAQ-8017A

1. Setting type to 08

2. Enable calibration (~AAE1)
3. Apply zero calibration current
4. Perform \$AA4+VV command, until 0
5. Perform zero calibration command (\$AA1)
6. Apply 9V,count coefficient=9/read value=A.BCDE
7. Perform \$AA3A.BCDE command, until 9V
8. Perform span calibration command (\$AA0)
9. Repeat step 4 to step 8 three times.

## 1.7 Install List

### Baudrate Setting (CC)

|          |      |      |      |      |       |       |       |        |
|----------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| Code     | 03   | 04   | 05   | 06   | 07    | 08    | 09    | 0A     |
| Baudrate | 1200 | 2400 | 4800 | 9600 | 19200 | 38400 | 57600 | 115200 |

### Data format setting (FF)

|    |    |   |   |   |   |    |   |
|----|----|---|---|---|---|----|---|
| 7  | 6  | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1  | 0 |
| *1 | *2 | 0 |   |   |   | *3 |   |

\*1: 0=60Hz Restrain      1=50Hz Restrain

\*2: Checksum: 0=Disabled    1=Enable

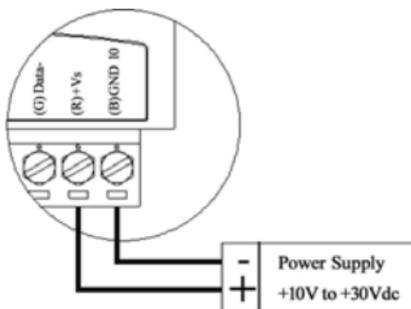
\*3: 00 = Engineering unit Format; 01 = Percent Format  
 10 = 2's Complement HEX Format

### Analog Input Type Setting (TT)

| Code | Input span | Data formt   | +F.S.   | Zero    |
|------|------------|--------------|---------|---------|
| 08   | 0~+10V     | Project Unit | 10.000  | +0.000  |
|      |            | Modbus       | FFFF    | 0000    |
| 09   | 0~+5V      | Project Unit | +5.000  | +0.000  |
|      |            | Modbus       | FFFF    | 0000    |
| 0D   | 0~ +20mA   | Project Unit | +20.000 | +00.000 |
|      |            | Modbus       | 7FFF    | 0000    |

## 2 Initialization & Installation

### 2.1 Installation Guideline



**Figure 2-1** Power Supply Connections

We advise that the following standard colors (as indicated on the modules) be used for power lines:

|         |       |
|---------|-------|
| +Vs (R) | Red   |
| GND (B) | Black |

We advise that the following standard colors (as indicated on the modules) be used for the communication lines:

|           |        |
|-----------|--------|
| DATA+ (Y) | Yellow |
| DATA- (G) | Green  |

### 2.2 Software Installation

1. If you have already installed “RemoDAQ-8000 Utility” then skip other steps.
2. Backup your software diskette.
3. Insert “RemoDAQ-8000 Utility” disc into CD-ROM:
4. Change drive to the path of CD-ROM. For example,

- your drive of CD-ROM is F: then change the drive to F:
5. Find the setup of “RemoDAQ-8000 Utility” and run it.
  6. Please follow the steps of setup program then you can successful to install the RemoDAQ-8000 Utility

## 2.3 Basic configuration and hook-up

Before placing a module in an existing network, the module should be configured. Though all modules are initially configured at the factory, it is recommended to check that the baud rate is set correctly.

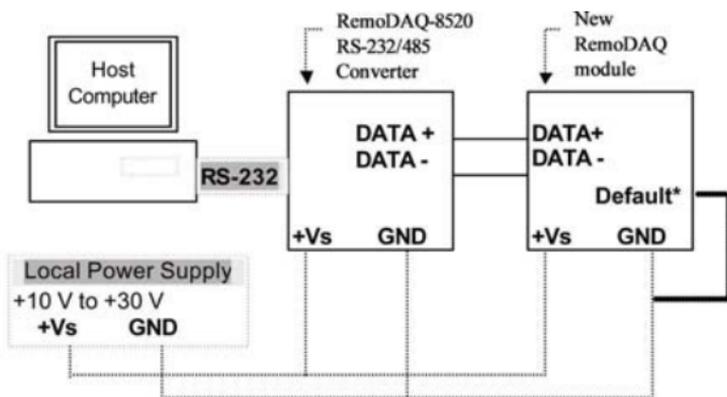
### Default Factory Settings

Baud rate: 9600 Bit/sec.

Address: 01 (hexadecimal)

Checksum: disable

The basic hook-up for module configuration is shown below.



**Figure 2-2** Layout for Initialization the RemoDAQ module

The following items are required to configure a module: a RemoDAQ converter module, a personal computer with RS-232 port (baudrate set to 9600) and the RemoDAQ utility software.

### **Configuration with the RemoDAQ Utility Software**

The easiest way to configure the RemoDAQ module is by using the RemoDAQ utility software: an easy-to-use menu-structured program will guide you through every step of the configuration.

### **Configuration with the RemoDAQ command set**

RemoDAQ modules can also be configured by issuing direct commands within a terminal emulation program that is part of the RemoDAQ utility software.

The following example guides you through the setup of an analog input module. Assume that RemoDAQ-8017A still has its default settings (baud rate 9600 and address 01h). Before the module is reconfigured, it is first requested to send its default settings.

To change the configuration setting of the analog input module, the following command is issued:

```
%0107080600(cr)
```

% = change configuration

01 = target module at address 00 to:

07 = change address to 07 hexadecimal

08 = set input range to Type 08

06 = set baud rate to 9600

00 = set integration time to 50 ms (60 Hz)

disable checksum

set data format to engineering units

(See Chapter 3, Command Set for a full description of the syntax of the configuration command for module)

When the module received the configuration command it will respond with its new address: !07(cr)

**NOTICE:** *All reconfiguration except changing of baud rate and checksum values can be done dynamically, i.e. the modules need not to be reset. When changing the baud rate or checksum, these changes should be made for all connected devices. After reconfiguration, all modules should be powered down and powered up to force a reboot and let the changes take effect.*

## 2.4 Baudrate and Checksum

RemoDAQ modules contain EEPROMs to store configuration information and calibration constants. The EEPROM replaces the usual array of switches and ports required to specify baudrate, input/output range etc.

All of the RemoDAQ modules can be configured remotely through their communication ports, without having to physically alter port or switch settings.

Forcing the module in the INIT\* state does not change any parameters in the module's EEPROM. When the module is in the INIT\* state with its INIT\* and GND terminals shorted, all configuration settings can be changed and the module will respond to all other commands normally.

### **Changing Baud rate and Checksum**

Baud rate and checksum settings have several things in common:

- They should be the same for all modules and host computer.
- Their setting can only be changed by putting a module in the INIT\* state.
- Changed settings can only take effect after a module is rebooted

To alter baudrate or checksum settings you must perform the following steps:

- Power on all components except the RemoDAQ Module.
- Power the RemoDAQ module on while shorting the INIT\* and GND terminals
- Wait at least 7 seconds to let self calibration and ranging take effect.
- Configure the checksum status and/or the baud rate.
- Switch the power to the RemoDAQ Module OFF.
- Remove the grounding of the INIT\* terminal and power the module on.
- Wait at least 7 seconds to let self calibration and ranging take effect.
- Check the settings (If the baud rate has changed, the settings on the host computer should be changed accordingly.)

## 3 Command Set

### Introduction

To avoid communication conflicts when several devices try to send data at the same time, all actions are instigated by the host computer. The basic form is a command/response protocol with the host initiating the sequence.

When modules are not transmitting they are in listen mode. The host issues a command to a module with a specified address and waits a certain amount of time for the module to respond. If no response arrives, a timeout aborts the sequence and returns control to the host.

Changing RemoDAQ's configuration might require the module to perform auto calibration before changes can take effect. Especially when changing the range, the module has to perform all stages of auto calibration that it also performs when booted. When this process is under way, the module does not respond to any other commands.

The command set includes the exact delays that might occur when modules are reconfigured.

### Syntax

[delimiter character][address][command][data][checksum]  
[carriage return]

Every command begins with a delimiter character. There are four valid characters: a dollar sign \$, a pound sign #, a percentage sign % and an at sign @.

The delimiter character is followed by a two-character address (hexadecimal) that specifies the target module. The actual two-character command follows the address. Depending on the command, an optional data segment follows the command string. An optional two character checksum may be appended to the total string. Every command is terminated by a carriage return (cr).

**Calculate Checksum:**

1. Calculate ASCII sum of all characters of command(or response) string except the character return(cr).
2. Mask the sum of string with 0ffh.

**Example:**

Command string: \$012(cr)

Sum of string= '\$'+ '0'+ '1'+ '2'=24h+30h+31h+32h=B7h

The checksum is B7h, and [CHK] = "B7"

Command string with checksum: \$012B7(cr)

Response string: !01200600(cr)

Sum of string: '!'+ '0'+ '1'+ '2'+ '0'+ '0'+ '6'+ '0'+ '0'  
=1h+30h+31h+32h+30h+30h+36h+30h+30h=1AAh

The checksum is AAh, and [CHK] = "AA"

Response string with checksum: !01200600AA(cr)

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| <b>General Command Sets</b> |  |   |              |
|-----------------------------|--|---|--------------|
| <b>Command Syntax</b>       | <b>Command Name</b>                      | <b>Command Description</b>  | <b>Notes</b> |
| %AANNTTCCFF                 | Configuration                            | Sets the address,input range, ,data Format,baudrate,checksum status                       | 3.1          |
| #AA                         | Analog data in                           | Return the input value from the module in the currently configured data format            | 3.2          |
| #AAN                        | Analog data in                           | Return the input value from the module channels N in the currently configured data format | 3.3          |
| \$AA0                       | Span calibration                         | Calibrates module to correct for gain errors  | 3.4          |
| \$AA1                       | Zero Calibration                         | Calibrates module to correct for gain errors  | 3.5          |
| \$AA2                       | Configuration status                     | Return the configuration parameters for the module  | 3.6          |
| \$AA5VV                     | Enable/disable channels for multiplexing | Enable or disable the individual channels   | 3.7          |
| \$AA6                       | Read channel status                      | Get the enable/disable status of all channels   | 3.8          |
| \$AA3V.VVVV                 | Set span coefficient                     | Return correct or error   | 3.9          |
| \$AA4±VV                    | Set zero excursion                       | Return correct or error   | 3.10         |
| \$AAF                       | Read firmware version                    | Return the firmware version code  | 3.11         |
| \$AAM                       | Read module name                         | Return the module name  | 3.12         |
| ~AAO(data)                  | Set module name                          | Return correct or error   | 3.13         |
| ~AAEV                       | Enable/Disable calibration               | Return correct or error   | 3.14         |

### 3.1 %AANNTTCCFF

**Name:** Configuration

**Description:** Sets address, type code, baudrate, data format

**Syntax:** %AANNTTCCFF(cr)

% delimiter character.

AA address of setting module (00-FF)

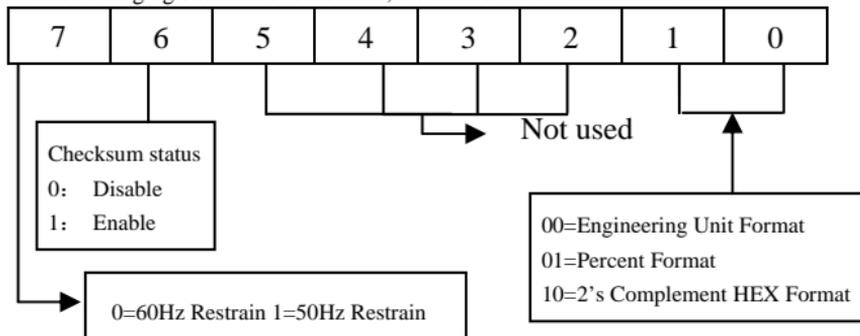
NN New address (00-FF)

TT New type

CC New baudrate

FF New data format

When changing baudrate or checksum, we should INIT\* termination land.



**Figure 3-1 Data format setting of AI modules**

**Response:** !AA(cr) if the command was valid.

?AA(cr) if an invalid operation was entered. if

the INIT\* terminal was not grounded when attempting to change baud rate or checksum settings.

Syntax error or communication error may get no response.

! command is valid.

? command is invalid.

AA address of setting module (00-FF)

(cr) is the terminating character, carriage return (0Dh)

**Example:**

Command: %0102080600(cr) Response: !02(cr)

Change address from 01 to 02, an input range 0~10V, baud rate 9600, integration time 50 ms (60 Hz), engineering units data format and no checksum checking or generation.

The response indicates that the command was received.

**Table 3-1 Input Rang Codes (Type Code)**

| Code | Input span | Data formt   | +F.S.   | Zero    |
|------|------------|--------------|---------|---------|
| 08   | 0~+10V     | Project Unit | 10.000  | +0.000  |
|      |            | Modbus       | FFFF    | 0000    |
| 09   | 0~+5V      | Project Unit | +5.000  | +0.000  |
|      |            | Modbus       | FFFF    | 0000    |
| 0D   | 0~ +20mA   | Project Unit | +20.000 | +00.000 |
|      |            | Modbus       | 7FFF    | 0000    |

**Table 3-2 Baudrate Code**

|          |      |      |      |      |       |       |       |        |
|----------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| Code     | 03   | 04   | 05   | 06   | 07    | 08    | 09    | 0A     |
| Baudrate | 1200 | 2400 | 4800 | 9600 | 19200 | 38400 | 57600 | 115200 |

### 3.2 #AA

**Name:** Analog Data In

**Description:** Command will return the input value from module in the currently configured data format.

**Syntax** #AA(cr)

# delimiter character.

AA address of reading module(00~FF)

(cr) is the terminating character, carriage return (0Dh).

**Response:** >(data)(cr)

Syntax error or communication error may get no response.

> delimiter character.

data AI input value

**Example:**

Command: #01 Response: >4C534C00000000000000  
00000000000000

Read analog input value at address 01, return values of 8 channels.

### 3.3 #AAN

**Name:** Analog Data From channel N

**Description:** The command will return the input value from one of the 8 channels of a specified (AA) module in the currently configured data format.

**Syntax:** #AAN(cr)

# delimiter character.

AA address of reading module(00~FF)

N channel (0~7)

(cr) is the terminating character, carriage return (0Dh).

**Response:** >(data)(cr)

Syntax error or communication error may get no response.

> delimiter character.

data AI input value.(For data formats, refer *sec.1.7*).

**Example:**

Command: #32 Response: >+02.455

Read address 03 and channel 2, return +02.455

### 3.4 \$AA0

**Name:** Span Calibration

**Description:** Calibrates module to correct for gain errors.

**Syntax:** \$AA0(cr)

\$ delimiter character.

AA address of the module that is to be calibrated(00~FF)

0 span calibration command.

(cr) the terminating character, carriage return (0Dh).

**Response:** !AA(cr) if the command was valid.

?AA(cr) if an invalid operation was entered.

Syntax error or communication error may get no response.

! command is valid.

? command is invalid.

AA address of the module (00~FF)

In order to successfully calibrate an analog input module's input range, a proper calibration input signal should be connected to the analog input module before and during the calibration.

**Example:**

Command: \$010      Response: !01

Span calibration of address 01,return success

Command: \$020      Response: ?02

Span calibration of address 02,return the calibration is not enable before span calibration command.

### 3.5 \$AA1

**Name:** Zero Calibration

**Description:** Calibrates module to correct for gain errors.

**Syntax:** \$AA1 (cr)

\$ delimiter character.

AA address of the module that is to be calibrated(00~FF)

1 zero calibration command.

(cr) the terminating character, carriage return (0Dh).

**Response:** !AA(cr) if the command was valid.

?AA(cr) if an invalid operation was entered.

Syntax error or communication error may get no response.

! command is valid.

? command is invalid.

AA address of the module (00~FF)

In order to successfully calibrate an analog input module's input range, a proper calibration input signal should be connected to the analog input module before and during the calibration.

**Example:**

Command: \$011      Response: !01

Zero calibration of address 01,return success

Command: \$021      Response: ?02

Zero calibration of address 02,return the calibration is not enable before span calibration command.

### 3.6 \$AA2

**Name:** Configuration Status

**Description:** The command requests the return of the configuration data from the analog input module at address AA.

**Syntax:** \$AA2(cr)

\$ delimiter character.

AA address of reading module(00~FF)

2 the Configuration Status command.

(cr) the terminating character, carriage return (0Dh).

**Response:** !AATTCCFF(cr) if the command is valid.

?AA(cr)if an invalid operation was entered.

Syntax error or communication error may get no response.

! command is valid.

? command is invalid.

AA address of module(00~FF)

TT represents the type code.

CC represents the baud rate code.

FF data format

(Also see the %AANNTTCCFF configuration command)

**Example:**

Command: \$012 Response: !01090600

Read address 01 configuration,return success.

### 3.7 \$AA5VV

**Name:** Enable/disable channels for multiplexing

**Description:** Enables/disables multiplexing simultaneously for separate channels of a specified input module

**Syntax:** \$AA5VV(cr)

\$ is a delimiter character.

AA address of reading module(00~FF)

5 is the enable/disable channels command.

VV channel enable/disable,00 is all disabled and FF is all enable (cr) is the terminating character, carriage return (0Dh).

**Response:** !AA(cr) if the command was valid.

?AA(cr) if an invalid operation was entered.

Syntax error or communication error may get no response.

! command is valid.

? command is invalid.

AA address of the module (00~FF)

**Example:**

Command: \$0155A Receive: !01

Set address 01 to enable channel 1, 3, 4, 6 and disable channel 0, 2, 5, 7, return success.

### 3.8 \$AA6

**Name:** Read Channel Status

**Description:** Asks a specified input module to return the status of all channels

**Syntax:** \$AA6(cr)

\$ is a delimiter character.

AA address of reading module(00~FF)

6 is the read channel status command.

(cr) is the terminating character, carriage return (0Dh).

**Response:** !AAVV(cr) if the command was valid.

?AA(cr) if an invalid operation was entered.

Syntax error or communication error may get no response.

! command is valid.

? command is invalid.

AA address of the module (00~FF)

VV channel enable/disable,00 is all disabled and FF is all enable

**Example:**

Command: \$016 Receive: !01A5

Read address 01 channel status, return channel 0, 2, 5, 7 are enabled and channel 1, 3, 4, 6 are disabled.

### 3.9 \$AA3V.VVVV

**Name:** Set Span Coefficient

**Syntax:** \$AA3V.VVVV(cr)

\$ delimiter character.

AA address of reading module(00~FF)

3 the set each channel span coefficient command.

V.VVVV coefficient, 0.5000 ~ 1.0000

(cr) is the terminating character, carriage return (0Dh).

**Response:** !AA(cr) if the command was valid.

?AA(cr) if an invalid operation was entered.

Syntax error or communication error may get no response.

! command is valid.

? command is invalid.

AA address of the module (00~FF)

**Example:**

Command: \$0130.9999 Response: !01

Set address 01 coefficient 0.9999,return success.

### 3.10 \$AA4±VV

**Name:** Set Zero Excursion

**Description:** Enables/disables the individual channel

**Syntax:** \$AA4±VV(cr)

\$ delimiter character.

AA address of setting module(00~FF)

4 the set zero excursion command.

± excursion direction

VV excursion value (bit)

(cr) is the terminating character, carriage return (0Dh).

**Response:** !AA(cr) if the command is valid.

?AA(cr) if an invalid operation was entered.

Syntax error or communication error may get no response.

! command is valid.

? command is invalid.

AA address of response module(00~FF)

**Example:**

Command: \$0140+02    Response: !01

Set address 01 zero excursion value +2,return success.

### 3.11 \$AAF

**Name:** Read Firmware Version

**Description:** The command requests the module at address AA to return the version code of its firmware.

**Syntax:** \$AAF (cr)

\$ delimiter character.

AA address of reading module(00~FF)

F identifies the version command.

(cr) is the terminating character, carriage return (ODh)

**Response:** !AA(data)(cr) if the command is valid.

?AA (cr) if an invalid command was issued.

Syntax error or communication error may get no response.

! command is valid.

? command is invalid.

AA address of response module(00~FF)

Data is the version code of the module's firmware.

**Example:**

Command: \$01F Receive: !01050101

Read address 01 firmware version, return version 050101

Command: \$02F Receive: !01040101

Read address 02 firmware version, return version 040101

### 3.12 \$AAM

**Name:** Read Module Name

**Description:** The command requests the module at address AA to return its name.

**Syntax:** \$AAM (cr)

\$ delimiter character.

AA address of reading module(00~FF)

M the Read Module Name command.

(cr) is the terminating character, carriage return (ODh)

**Response:** !AA(data)(cr) if the command is valid.

?AA(cr) if an invalid command was issued.

Syntax error or communication error may get no response.

! command is valid.

? command is invalid.

AA address of response module(00~FF)

data the name of the module

**Example:**

Command: \$01M Receive: !018017A

Read address 01 module name, return name 8017A.

### 3.13 ~AAO (Data)

**Name:** Set Module Name

**Description:** Set the module name and return success or error

**Syntax:** ~AAO(Data) (cr)

\$ delimiter character.

AA address of setting module(00~FF)

O Set Module Name command.

Data new name for module, max 6 characters

(cr) is the terminating character, carriage return (ODh)

**Response:** !AA(cr) if the command is valid.

?AA(cr) if an invalid command was issued.

Syntax error or communication error may get no response.

! command is valid.

? command is invalid.

AA address of response module(00~FF)

**Example:**

Command: ~01O8017A Receive: !01

Set address 01 module name to 8017A, return success.

Command: \$01M Receive: !018017A

Read address 01 module name, return 8017A.

### 3.14 ~AAEV

**Name:** Enable/Disable Calibration

**Syntax:** ~AAEV (cr)

\$ delimiter character.

AA address of reading module(00~FF)

E Enable/Disable calibration command.

V 1=Enable 0=Disable

(cr) is the terminating character, carriage return (ODh)

**Response:** !AA(cr) if the command is valid.

?AA(cr) if an invalid command was issued.

Syntax error or communication error may get no response.

! command is valid.

? command is invalid.

AA address of response module(00~FF)

**Example:**

Command: \$010 Receive: ?01

Perform address 01 span calibration, return the command is invalid before enable calibration.

Command: ~01E1 Receive: !01

Set address 01 to enable calibration, return success.

Command: \$010 Receive: !01

Perform address 01 span calibration, return success.