



LONMARK CONFIGURATION AND VARIABLES

Physical Inputs and Outputs

TAC Xenta 421A/422A can be used as a normal Xenta I/O module or as a certified LONMARK® device. It has

- 4 Universal Inputs (UI)
• 5 Digital Outputs (DO)

In addition, TAC Xenta 422A has five manual switches, one for each DO that can be set

- manual Off
• manual On
• Auto

To configure the inputs and outputs, and to specify the transmission of values, either ordinary TAC Menta®/Xenta configuration or nci SNVTs are used. The usage is explained overleaf ("SNVT vs TAC Xenta I/O module Communication".) The use of SNVTs requires explicit information listed below.

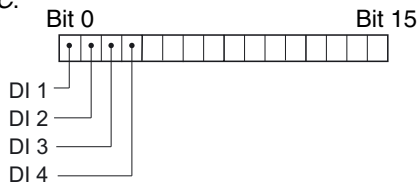
UI Configuration

Each of the four UI:s (1-4) is configured with

- nciInput1-4 0 = not connected (default value)
1 = 1.8 kohm thermistor
2 = DI, green indication
3 = 0-10 V
4 = 0-20 mA
5 = 10 kohm thermistor
6 = DI, red indication
7 = DI, green inverted indication
8 = DI, red inverted indication

If configured to be a digital input (DI, any type), its function is further determined by the corresponding bit in

nciDigInNONC:



If bit=0: NO, normally open (default value)

If bit=1: NC, normally closed

Pulse counting is not available for SNVT communication.

UI Values

Depending on the UI configuration, each UI n=1-4 generates a valid value in one of these (the other two are set invalid):

- nvoAnalog1-4 (0-10 V or 0-20 mA, converted to 0-100%; invalid=163.835)

- nvoDigital1-4 (DI, any type; switch:value=0)
switch:state
state=0: Off (state=255: invalid)
state=1: On

- nvoTemp1-4 (thermistor, any type; invalid=327.67)

UI Value Transmission

The UI value will be transmitted

- a) when the change in value is large enough (set individually per UI)
b) at a specified time interval (common for all UIs)

a) is determined by

- nciSndDelta1-4 (dimensionless; default value=2)
Size of change to cause transmission
Ex.: 1 means
- if configured as analog input: 1%
- if configured as temperature input: 1 °

If the UI is configured as a digital input, a status change will always be transmitted.

b) is determined by

- nciSndHrtBt "Heartbeat" interval in seconds (default=60)

A valid and configured UI value will be sent at least once during each interval regardless of change.

The transmissions will be distributed over time to avoid momentary communication overload.

DO Values

The digital output values to the output (DO, n=1-5) are received as:

- nviDO1-5 switch:state
state=0 or >1: Off
state=1: On

For the TAC Xenta 422A, the DO values may be overridden by manual switches. Their status is indicated in

- nvoHandBoard1-5 switch:state.
state=0: manual Off
state=1: manual On
state=255 ('invalid'): Auto

Any DO status change will immediately be transmitted.

DO Values in the Off-line Condition

The DO values are expected to be updated regularly. However, this may be prevented by communication failure or, temporarily, after power-up.

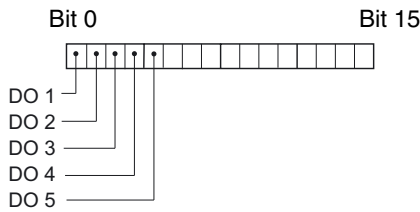
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To determine if all *nviDO1-5* are to be considered valid, an interval counter is used:

nciRcvHrtBt No. of seconds until *nviDO1-5* are considered invalid. (0: function is not used; default value.)

If this happens, due to communication failure, the behavior is determined by

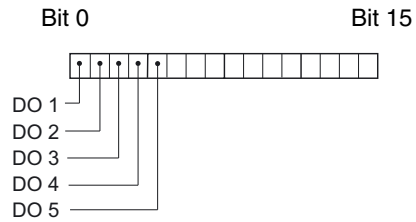
nciOfflineBeh, using the following bits:



If bit=0: Keep latest value (default).

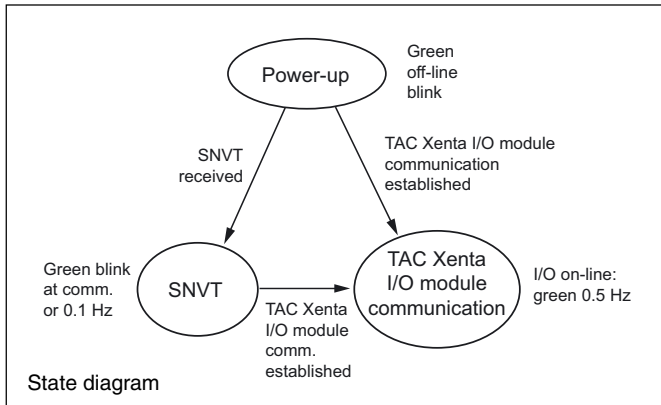
If bit=1: Use default value as specified by

nciOfflineVal, using the following bits, where the value to be used is specified (0 or 1). (Default value=0.)



SNVT vs TAC XENTA I/O MODULE COMMUNICATION

The TAC Xenta 421A/422A can be used in networks with either LONMARK communication or TAC Xenta I/O module communication. The device automatically determines which type of communication to use.



In the Power-up state, the green LED blinks "Off-line". The device is open for *both* SNVT and TAC Xenta I/O module communication.

Previous configuration, if defined, will apply until a change is initiated.

SNVT received

The device enters the SNVT state. The device is configured when the *nci:s* are updated. The green LED will light up when there is communication or approximately every 10 seconds. SNVT transmission is determined by the *nciSndDelta1-4* or the *nciSndHrtBt* values.

The device remains in the SNVT state until a TAC Xenta I/O module communication state is established, or until the next power-up. In the SNVT state it is possible to change the configuration by updating the network configuration inputs *nci:s*.

TAC Xenta I/O module Communication

The TAC Xenta I/O module communication state is accepted only after a thorough protocol initiation. This may be initiated at any time.

In the TAC Xenta I/O module communication state, no *nvi:s* or *nci:s* can be used. The green LED blinks on-line at about 0.5 Hz.

Input SNVTs are ignored, also when the device is off-line from the controller.

However, output SNVT transmission is still performed using a hard-coded interval of about 10 seconds.

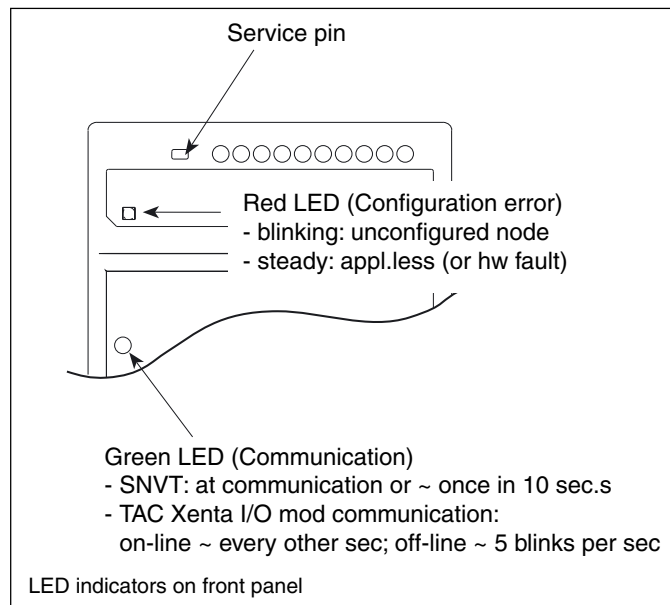
Once in the TAC Xenta I/O module communication state, the device can only enter the SNVT state after a new Power-up. At this stage all *nci:s* must be updated, since the same memory area is used by both the SNVT and TAC Xenta I/O module communication configuration parameters.

Note! As the TAC Xenta I/O module communication state is a 'dead-end' (until power-up), any mis-addressed communication may cause the I/O module to lose its SNVT communication state.

TAC Xenta I/O module communication is initiated by the controller at events specified below. If an I/O module intended for SNVT communication has been used in another configuration and happens to have an address that is used by the I/O module communication, the I/O module will be 'lost' in this state.

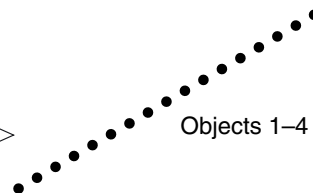
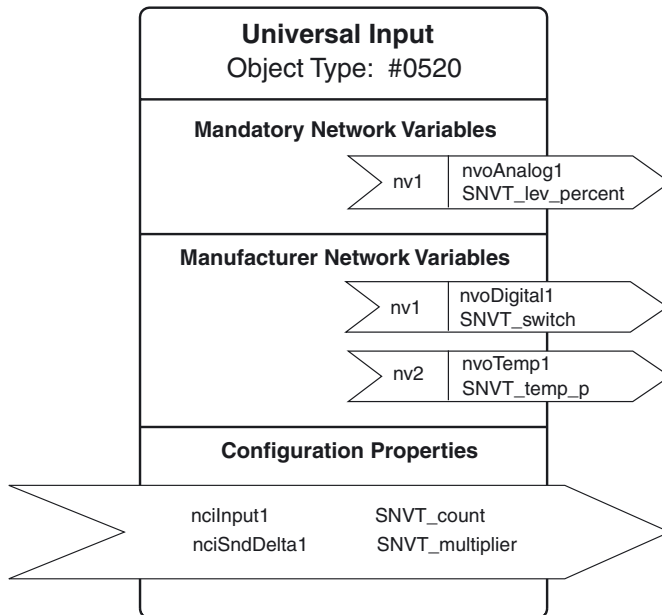
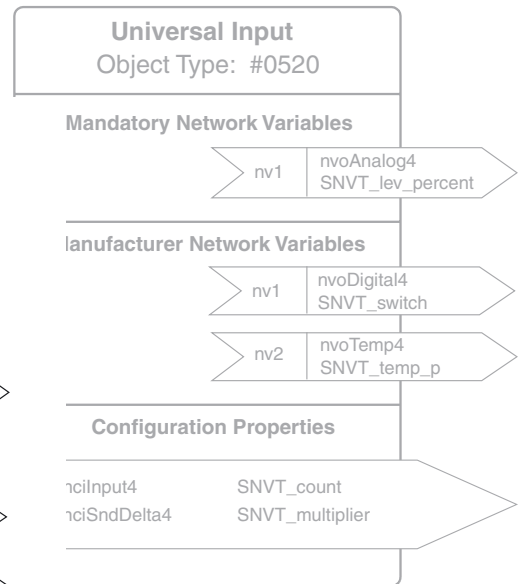
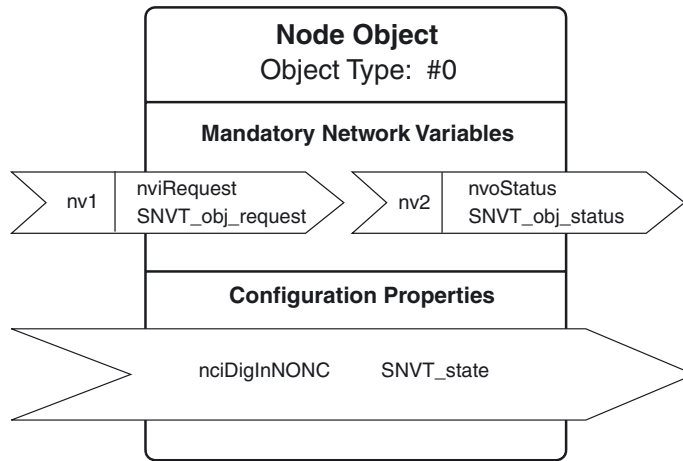
TAC Xenta I/O module communications will be initiated by the following events:

- Controller power-up
- I/O module power-up
- Controller application download
- Recovery after communication failure



LONMARK OBJECTS AND NETWORK VARIABLES

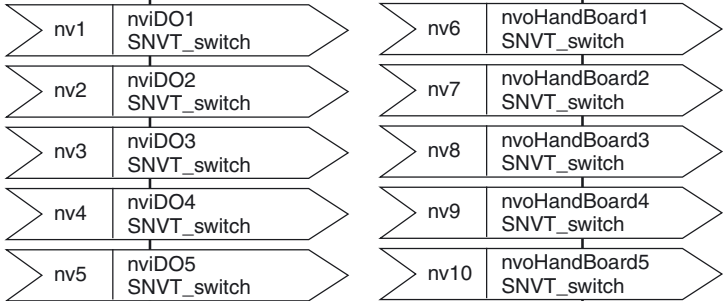
0560 4-channel configurable I/O



420 Dig Outs
Object Type: #20543

Mandatory Network Variables

Manufacturer Network Variables



Configuration Properties

