

Enabling Connectivity for AC Power Monitoring

Country: U.S.



System Requirements

- Modbus RTU-to-Modbus TCP conversion
- Collecting both proprietary data and digital input data
- A single tool to configure and maintain Moxa products

Why Moxa


- A comprehensive product portfolio of Modbus gateways, serial-to-Ethernet servers, and remote I/Os
- Supports MXconfig and MCC tools for easy configuration and maintenance
- Protocol troubleshooting tools to easily identify the root cause of a communication failure

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MGate MB3170/MB3270 
Serial-to-Ethernet
Modbus Gateways



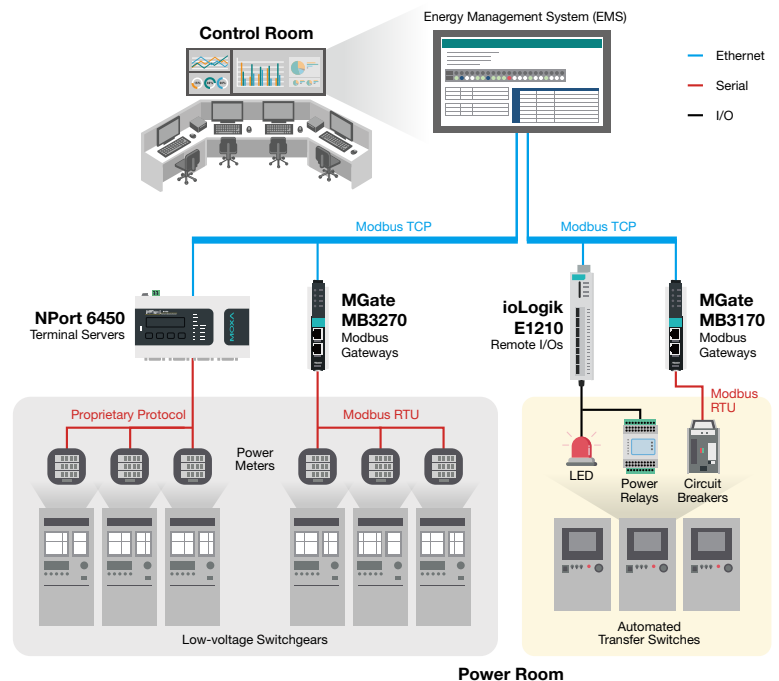
NPort 6450 
Secure Terminal Servers



ioLogik E1210 
Ethernet Remote I/Os

A leading computer technology company runs several data centers in the U.S. To ensure smooth operations, a system integrator helped them develop an energy management system (EMS) to monitor the stability of AC power in their data centers. To achieve this, reliable communication between power devices, such as low-voltage switchgears and automated transfer switches (ATS), and the EMS was developed so that operators could receive power-related data timely and make quick decisions in order to reduce system downtime.

A variety of power devices inside low-voltage switchgears and ATS needed to connect and communicate with the EMS, such as power relays, power meters, and circuit breakers. Our NPort 6450 secure terminal servers, MGate MB3170/MB3270 Modbus gateways, and ioLogik E1210 remote I/Os enabled connectivity for different interfaces and protocols. Furthermore, our products support easy-to-use configuration tools, Ethernet cascading to simplify network topology, and Modbus protocol troubleshooting tools so that engineers can easily identify root causes when a communication error occurs.



Enhancing Your Power Stability With Switchgear Monitoring

Country: China



System Requirements

- Collecting large amounts of data from a variety of power monitoring devices and sensors
- The ability to endure high levels of electromagnetic interference (EMI)

Why Moxa

- IEC 61850-3 certified switches that operate under high EMI
- Modbus gateways feature an active polling mechanism for the fast acquisition of large volumes of data
- Compact remote I/Os support DI/DO/AI/AO interfaces

Enhancing the stability of power supply in mission-critical applications, such as data centers or semiconductor fabrication plants, requires the monitoring of switchgears deployed between power utility equipment and electrical equipment. An industry-leading power monitoring system integrator in China chose Moxa's networking solutions to enable reliable communication between the switchgears and the control center.

In the control center, our layer 3 PT-7828 Ethernet switches were deployed to collect a variety of power-related data from field sites and transmit it to SCADA systems. Our PT-7528 Ethernet switches were not only used to collect data from Ethernet-based power protection devices but also to enable reliable extensions from the switchgears to the control center through fiber-optic cables. Certified with IEC 61850-3, our Ethernet switches ensured reliable connections against high electromagnetic environments.

Inside the switchgears, numerous serial power meters had to be connected. Our MGate MB3660 protocol gateways provided up to 16 serial ports with active Modbus data polling to ensure the fast acquisition of large amounts of data. In addition, our compact ioLogik E1200 remote I/Os provided a variety of digital and analog I/O interfaces, which fit easily into cabinets, for the collection of data from auxiliary contactors and busbar temperature sensors.

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PT-7828 IEC 61850-3 Layer 3 Ethernet Switches



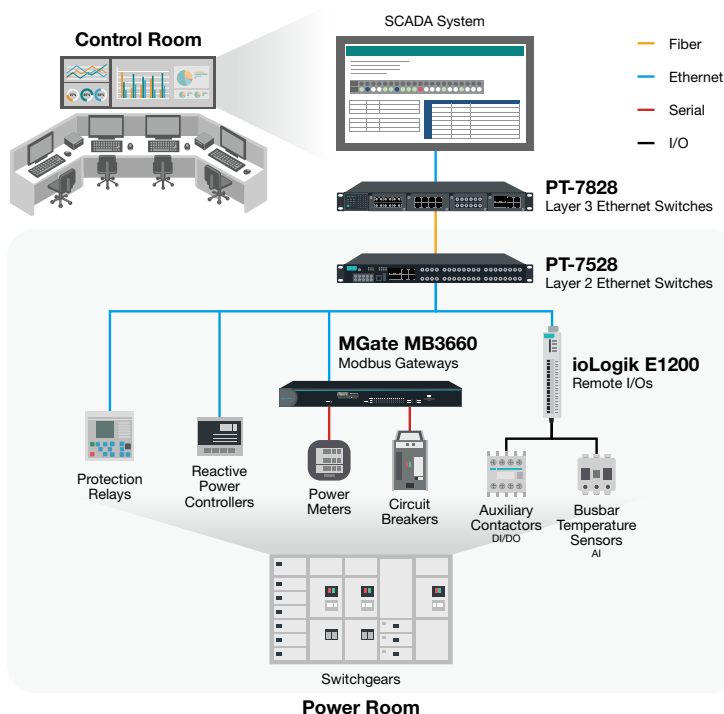
PT-7528 IEC 61850-3 Layer 2 Ethernet Switches



MGate MB3660 Serial-to-Ethernet Modbus Gateways



ioLogik E1200 Ethernet Remote I/Os



Monitor Your Switchgears With Reliability and Cost-efficiency

Country: China



System Requirements


- Monitoring Modbus-based power meters via a PROFINET-based PLC
- Stable communication under extreme electromagnetic interference (EMI)

Why Moxa

- Modbus-to-PROFINET conversion
- 2 kV serial isolation protection
- EMC level 3 standard
- Easy-to-use web UI for fast configuration
- 5-year warranty

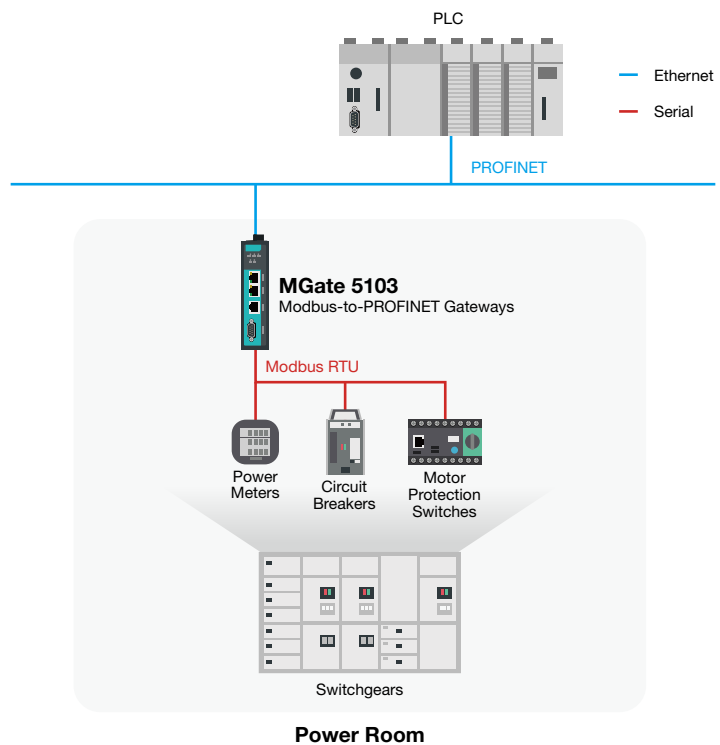
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MGate 5103 
Modbus-to-PROFINET Gateways

An industry-leading system integrator in China helped their customer to implement switchgears for power distribution in paper mills. To ensure a stable power supply, operators must control and monitor the switchgears through a PROFINET-based PLC. However, power meters used inside switchgear are usually Modbus RTU as it is a common cost-effective solution compared with PROFINET-based power meters. Thus, deploying a Modbus-to-PROFINET protocol gateway was the ideal choice to enable smooth communication.

Our MGate 5103 Modbus-to-PROFINET gateways not only enabled smooth communication between switchgears and PLCs but also featured a 2-kV serial isolation port and level-3 standard electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) to ensure a stable operation under extreme EMI environments. In addition, our compact and easy-to-use protocol gateways made deployment easier thanks to its user-friendly web UI that helped users complete configuration in just four steps.



Monitoring Your Backup Power Systems With High Performance

Country: Taiwan



System Requirements

- High port-density Modbus RTU-to-Modbus TCP conversion
- A fast serial data acquisition mechanism to speed up traditional data polling time in a large-scale application
- Able to endure high EMI environments

Why Moxa

- 8 serial ports to collect data from numerous power devices at once
- Active polling mechanism to speed up the acquisition of data
- 2 kV serial isolation protection
- Dual power inputs

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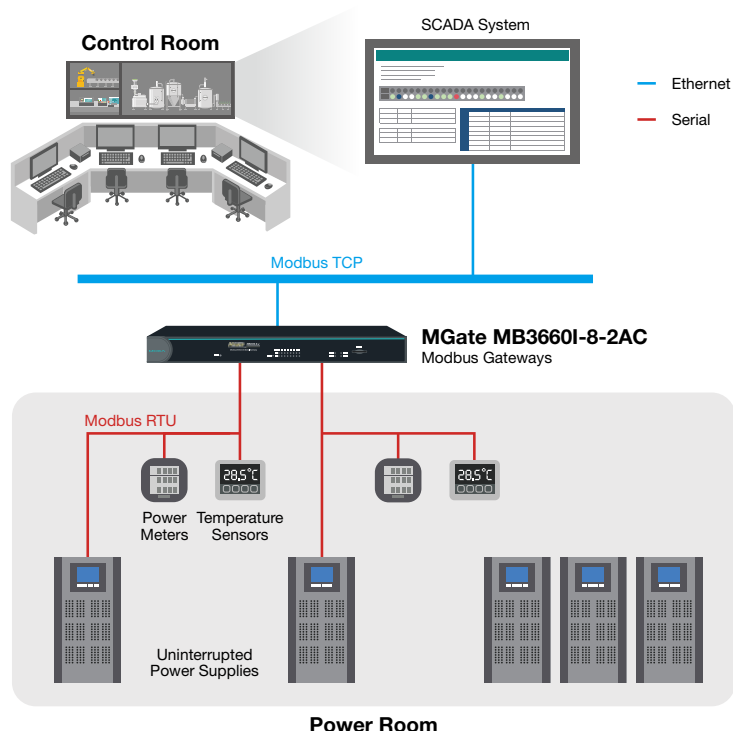


MGate MB3660I-8-2AC

Serial-to-Ethernet
Modbus Gateways

A world-leading semiconductor company in Taiwan required the monitoring of their backup power systems in fabrication plants. Monitoring backup power systems, such as an uninterrupted power supply (UPS), provides operators information regarding the device status, sufficient power level, and current stability to ensure a stable power supply when emergencies occur. Each UPS comes with a power meter, monitoring the power level and quality, and a temperature sensor, ensuring the UPS is not overheating.

To achieve smooth communication between power devices and SCADA systems, our MGate MB3660 high port-density serial-to-Ethernet Modbus gateways were deployed to collect power data with high performance and reliability. These gateways support 8 serial ports and feature an active polling mechanism that allows simultaneous serial data acquisition among multiple serial power meters. In addition, the MGate MB3660 Series supports serial isolation and dual power inputs to ensure seamless communication in high EMI environments.



Developing Smooth Data Communications for Energy Usage Monitoring

Country: U.S.



System Requirements

- Smooth data communication from PDUs to the EMS
- Efficient configuration tools for fast deployment in large-scale applications
- Flexible wiring solution between dozens of PDUs

Why Moxa

- Modbus RTU-to-Modbus TCP conversions
- Command line tools to make mass configuration easy for IT engineers
- Ethernet cascading to simplify network topology

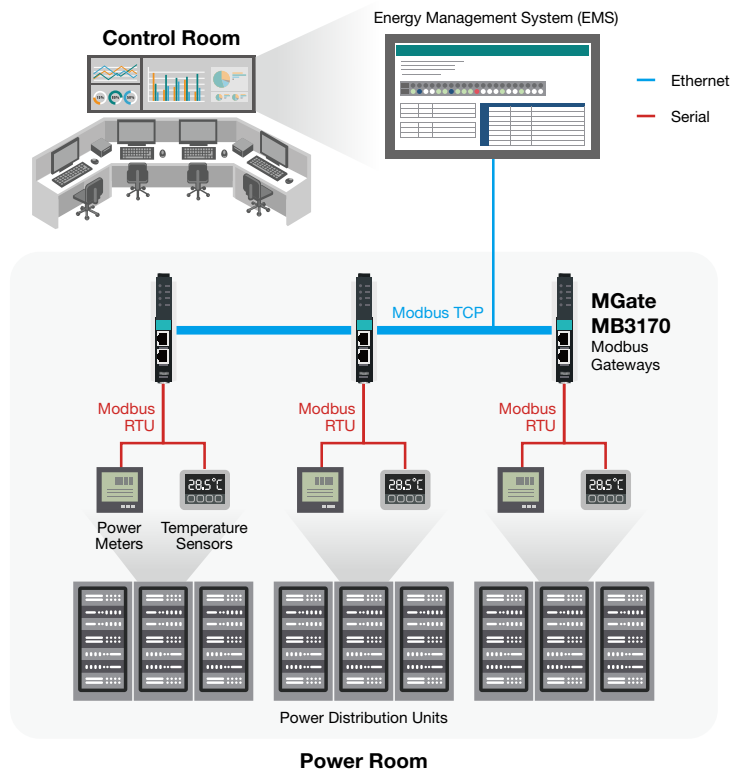
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MGate MB3170 
Serial-to-Ethernet
Modbus Gateways

A multinational energy management system (EMS) integrator in the U.S. helped their client, a world-leading computer technology company, optimize energy efficiency in their data centers. The EMS required the collection of both power consumption and temperature data from power distribution units (PDU) so that operators could use this information to reduce energy waste and ensure suitable power distribution conditions.

To develop smooth data communication between the PDUs and the EMS, our MGate MB3170 Modbus gateways were deployed to convert Modbus RTU data, collected from power meters and temperature sensors, to Modbus TCP data for easy integration into the Ethernet-based EMS. In addition, the MGate MB3170 Modbus gateways come with IT-friendly command line tools for mass configuration and Ethernet cascading that enables flexible deployment between dozens of PDUs used in the data centers.



Enabling an Energy-efficient HVAC System for a Hypermarket

Country: Taiwan



System Requirements

- Automatically controls HVAC systems based on business hours and temperatures to save energy
- Requires DI, DO, AO, RTD, RS-485 interfaces for different types of data collection and machine control

Why Moxa


- Easy-to-use Click&Go Plus function enables simple logic control for HVAC systems
- Expansion capabilities by supporting various interfaces and protocols in one device (e.g., DI/DO, AI/AO, RS-485, Ethernet)
- Supports an active tag to send I/O and serial data to the MX-AOPC UA Server for HMI integration

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ioLogik 2500 
Smart Remote I/Os



ioLogik E1200 
Ethernet Remote I/Os

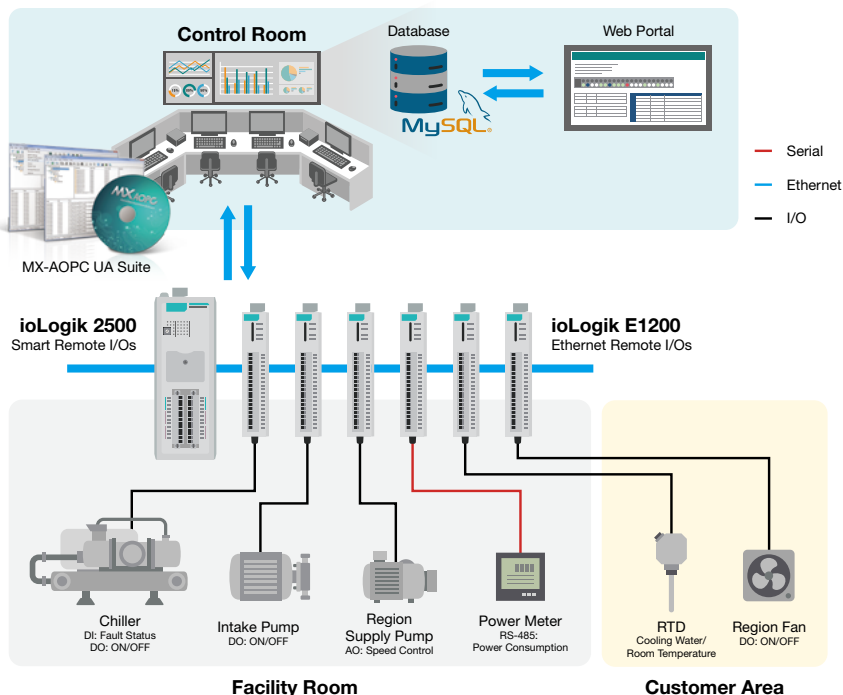


MX-AOPC UA Suite 
OPC UA software

HVAC systems are mostly used in buildings to provide comfort and acceptable indoor air quality. However, they also consume massive amounts of energy. In order to optimize energy consumption, a hypermarket operator wanted to monitor the power usage in their HVAC systems. Most importantly, they wanted to enable automated demand response control, based on the real-time temperatures in the hypermarket during business hours, to decrease the activation time of chiller systems and help the hypermarket save energy and reduce operating costs.

To automatically enable the settings adjustment of the chiller, pump, and fan, our ioLogik 2500 smart remote I/Os were used to provide programming-free control logic through our unique Click&Go Plus function. Also, our ioLogik E1200 Ethernet remote I/Os were deployed to collect serial, digital, and analog data from chillers, pumps, power meters, and resistance temperature sensors (RTD). In addition, our remote I/Os come with MX-AOPC suite, making the integration of a variety of field data acquisitions into your database (i.e., MYSQL database) easy.

Office Area



Developing Efficient Communication for Water Booster Monitoring

Country: Canada



System Requirements


- Controls Modbus-based VSD via an EtherNet/IP-based PLC

Why Moxa

- Modbus-to-EtherNet/IP conversion
- Supports a microSD card for configuration backup
- Quickly identifies communication issues through fault alarm and data value tracking

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MGate 5105 
Modbus-to-EtherNet/IP Gateways

The automotive manufacturing industry consumes tremendous amounts of energy for various production processes, which include cooling, air-conditioning systems, and boilers. An intelligent HVAC system builder developed a water pump booster that allows automotive manufacturers to control and monitor the AC variable speed drive (VSD) used inside boosters so that operators can optimize energy efficiency when boosters are not required. To achieve this, they needed to develop reliable connectivity from the boosters to an EtherNet/IP-based PLC.

Our MGate 5105 Modbus-to-EtherNet/IP gateways were deployed to convert Modbus RTU data from AC VSDs to an EtherNet/IP-based PLC so that factory operators could receive real-time status and make instant adjustments to optimize energy usage. In addition, our MGate 5105 protocol gateways are designed to make protocol conversion easy by featuring a user-friendly web console for easy configuration, a built-in microSD card for configuration backup, and functions such as fault alarm and data value tracking for easy troubleshooting when a communication error occur.

