7 RS-485 Communication Features

This section in the user manual explains how to control the inverter with a PLC or a computer over a long distance using the RS-485 communication features. To use the RS-485 communication features, connect the communication cables and set the communication parameters on the inverter. Refer to the communication protocols and parameters to configure and use the RS-485 communication features.
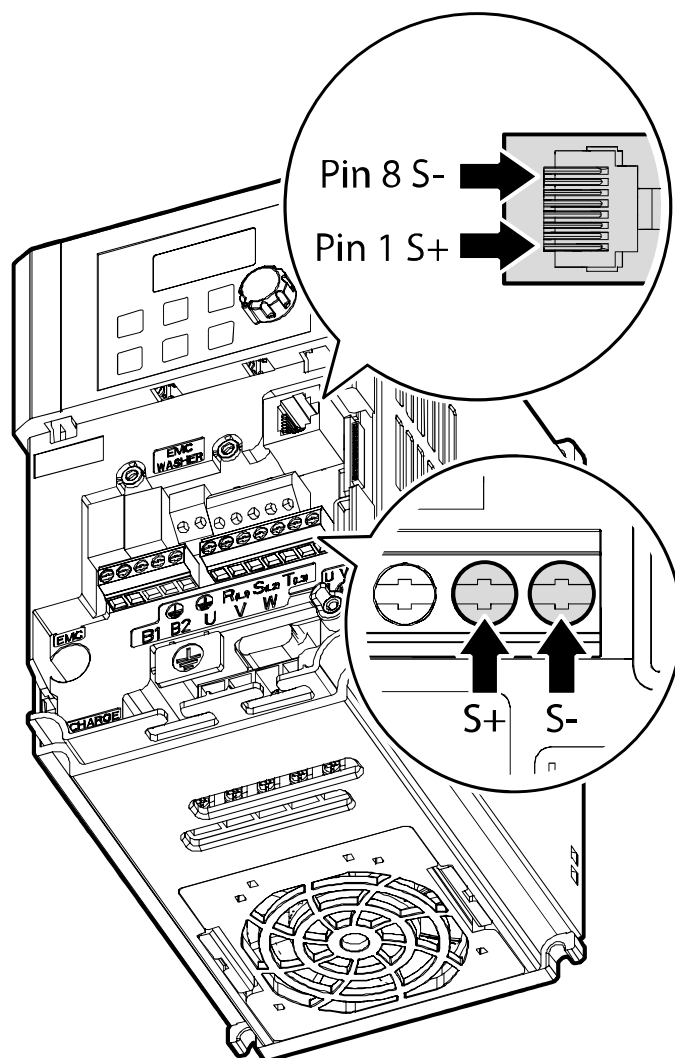
7.1 Communication Standards

Following the RS-485 communication standards, G100 products exchange data with a PLC and computer. The RS-485 communication standards support the Multi-drop Link System and offer an interface that is strongly resistant to noise. Please refer to the following table for details about the communication standards.

Items	Standard
Communication method/ Transmission type	RS-485/Bus type, Multi-drop Link System
Inverter type name	G100
Number of connected inverters/ Transmission distance	Maximum of 16 inverters / Maximum1,200 m (recommended distance: within 700 m)
Recommended cable size	0.75mm², (18AWG), Shielded Type Twisted-Pair (STP) Wire
Installation type	Dedicated terminals (S+/S-) on the control terminal block Connected to the RJ-45 connector (no 1 pin S+, no 8 pin S-)
Power supply	Supplied by the inverter-insulated power source from the inverter's internal circuit
Communication speed	1,200/2,400/4,800/9,600/19,200/38,400/57,600/115,200 bps
Control procedure	Asynchronous communications system
Communication system	Half duplex system
Character system	Modbus-RTU: Binary / LS INV 485: ASCII
Stop bit length	1-bit/2-bit
Frame error check	2 bytes
Parity check	None/Even/Odd

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Connect the communication lines by referring to the illustration below.

Use 2Pair STP (Shielded twisted Pair) cable (using only no.1 pin S+, no.8 pin S-/ no.1 and no.8 pins are twisted types) and a RJ45 STP plug. Use a RJ45 coupler for connection between products and cable extension (Y type LAN coupler where STP can be mounted). (Use LAN standardized products for cables, plugs, and couplers: CAT5, CAT5e, CAT6.)

Note

- Communication cables must be installed by separating from the power cable.
- Use the RS-485 communication by selecting one from S+ or S- of the terminal block and S+ or S- of the RJ45 plug.