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TwinCAT 2 | PLC Library: COMlib3964RBC





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# 1 Foreword

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##### **Serious risk of injury!**

Failure to follow the safety instructions associated with this symbol directly endangers the life and health of persons.

#### **WARNING**

##### **Risk of injury!**

Failure to follow the safety instructions associated with this symbol endangers the life and health of persons.

#### **CAUTION**

##### **Personal injuries!**

Failure to follow the safety instructions associated with this symbol can lead to injuries to persons.

#### **NOTE**

##### **Damage to the environment or devices**

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## 2 Overview

The TwinCAT PLC library, COMlibBC, offers function blocks and data structures for serial data communication with the Beckhoff BCxxx bus controllers. COMlibBC supports the Beckhoff KL6xxx serial bus terminals.

In addition to the basic functions of sending and receiving transparent data, COMlib3964RBC supports the 3964R protocol. Both libraries are included in the 3964R package.

This documentation is to be seen as a supplement to the documentation [COMlibBC](#).



### 3 Installation

Installation is performed by copying the following libraries into the TwinCAT directory TwinCAT\PLC\LIB.

- COMlibBC.LB6
- COMlibBC5B.LB6
- COMlib3964RBC.LIB

The associated test program should be copied to any project directory of your choice, e.g. to TwinCAT\PLC.

- <https://infosys.beckhoff.com/content/1033/tcplclib3964rbc/Resources/zip/12263728779.zip>

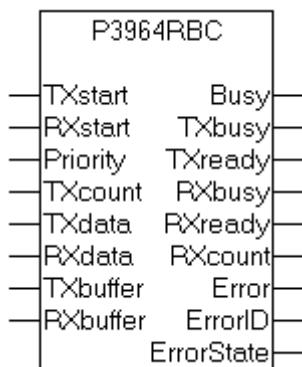
## 4 Functional description

### 4.1 P3964bufferBC

Data buffers of type P3964bufferBC are used in association with the P3964RBC function block. These buffers are written and read by the user.

```
TYPE P3964bufferBC
STRUCT
  D : ARRAY [0..16#03FF] OF BYTE;
END_STRUCT
END_TYPE
```

### 4.2 P3964RBC



```
VAR_INPUT
  TXstart : BOOL;
  RXstart : BOOL;
  Priority: BOOL;
  TXcount : INT;
END_VAR
VAR_OUTPUT
  Busy      : BOOL;
  TXbusy    : BOOL;
  TXready   : BOOL;
  RXbusy    : BOOL;
  RXready   : BOOL;
  RXcount   : INT;
  Error     : BOOL;
  ErrorID   : INT;
  ErrorState: STRING(80);
END_VAR
VAR_IN_OUT
  TXbuffer: COMbuffer;
  RXbuffer: COMbuffer;
  TXdata  : P3964bufferBC;
  RXdata  : P3964bufferBC;
END_VAR
```

[P3964bufferBC \[► 10\]](#)

**TXstart:** start signal, edge triggered

**RXstart:** start signal, edge triggered

**Priority:** 3964 priority

**TXcount:** number of data bytes in TxData

**Busy:** function block active

**TXbusy:** sending status

**TXready:** sending finished

**RXbusy:** receiving status

**RXready:** receiving finished

**RXcount:** number of data bytes in RxData

**Error:** error

**ErrorID:** error number

**ErrorState:** internal error state

**TXbuffer:** intermediate buffer for hardware

**RXbuffer:** intermediate buffer for hardware

**TXdata:** application data (to be sent)

**RXdata:** application data (received)

### Connection to Hardware

The P3964RBC function block handles the 3964R protocol. The background communication, which is handled by a separate function block (KL6ControlBC, KL6Control5B) decides on the hardware interface used. The associated data buffers, Txbuffer and Rxbuffer, are passed to the P3964RBC function block.

### Sending

Send data are entered into the Txdata send data buffer by the PLC. The number of data bytes entered is passed on in Txcount, and then Txstart is set to TRUE. Txstart is edge-triggered, so that before a new attempt to send is made, the function block must be called with Txstart=FALSE. While sending, Txbusy=TRUE. Once the data has been successfully transferred, Txready changes to TRUE.

### Receiving

RxStart is set to TRUE to receive data. After a complete data set has been received, the Rxready output goes TRUE and Rxcount data bytes are ready in the receive data buffer Rxdata. Rxstart is also edge-triggered. While receiving, Rxbusy=TRUE.

### Interrupt reception

The P3964RBC function block can be used in either send or receive mode. It is worthwhile switching the function block to receive when transmission is not taking place. As long as the function block is in receive mode, but no start character has been received from the other device, a rising edge at Txstart can interrupt the reception and initiate the sending of data. After the transfer the function block goes into its initial state (Busy=FALSE), and is only switched over to receive by a new edge at Rxstart.

### Priority

In a 3964R data connection, either end may send at any time. If both ends attempt to send at the same time, there is a collision. In that case, the end with the lower priority goes into receive mode, while the end with the higher priority sends again. For this reason, when priority is low the RxReady output can be TRUE, even though data are to be sent. The data in RxData may then require evaluation. The setting of the priority at the two ends is to be agreed.

### Error

In the event of an error the function block goes into its initial state (Busy=FALSE), and the Error output goes TRUE. The ErrorId returns the [error code](#) [► 12]. ErrorState provides information about the state in which the error occurred when the internal protocol structure is known.

## 4.3 Error Codes

No.	Error constant	Description
4	P3964ERR_ZVZ	<p>The character delay time was exceeded. ZVZ = 220 ms.</p> <p>The character delay time is the maximum time interval between the transmission of two succeeding characters.</p>
5	P3964ERR_QVZ	<p>The acknowledgement delay time was exceeded.</p> <p>The other device sent an acknowledgement character (DLE = 10H) twice as the telegram was being handled. QVZ = 2 s.</p> <p>The first acknowledgement was expected at the start of the transmission. The output <i>ErrorState</i> is "Wait_DLE_TXstart" in case of an error. The cause might lie with a faulty physical connection or an incorrect interface parameter.</p> <p>The second acknowledgement is expected after the user data has been transmitted. If an error occurs, the <i>ErrorState</i> is "Wait_DLE_TXend". In this case the cause might, for instance, be data loss, data corruption or data bytes of a data word that have become swapped (see the <i>SwapWords</i> input).</p>
6	P3964ERR_WVZ	<p>The repeat delay time was exceeded. WVZ = 4 s.</p> <p>A telegram is repeated if an error occurs. If the telegram is not repeated by the other device, the 3964R function block reports this error.</p>
7	P3964ERR_WRONGBCC	<p>Checksum error during data reception.</p> <p>Each telegram is provided with a checksum. When the data is received, the calculated checksum is compared with the checksum that has been received.</p>
9	P3964ERR_COMERRTX	Interface error when transmitting
10	P3964ERR_COMERRRX	Interface error when receiving
11	P3964ERR_NOTXDATA	Parameterization error. The number of bytes that are to be sent, <i>TxCount</i> , is zero.
20	P3964ERR_NAK	A telegram was refused by the other device with a negative acknowledgement (NAK).

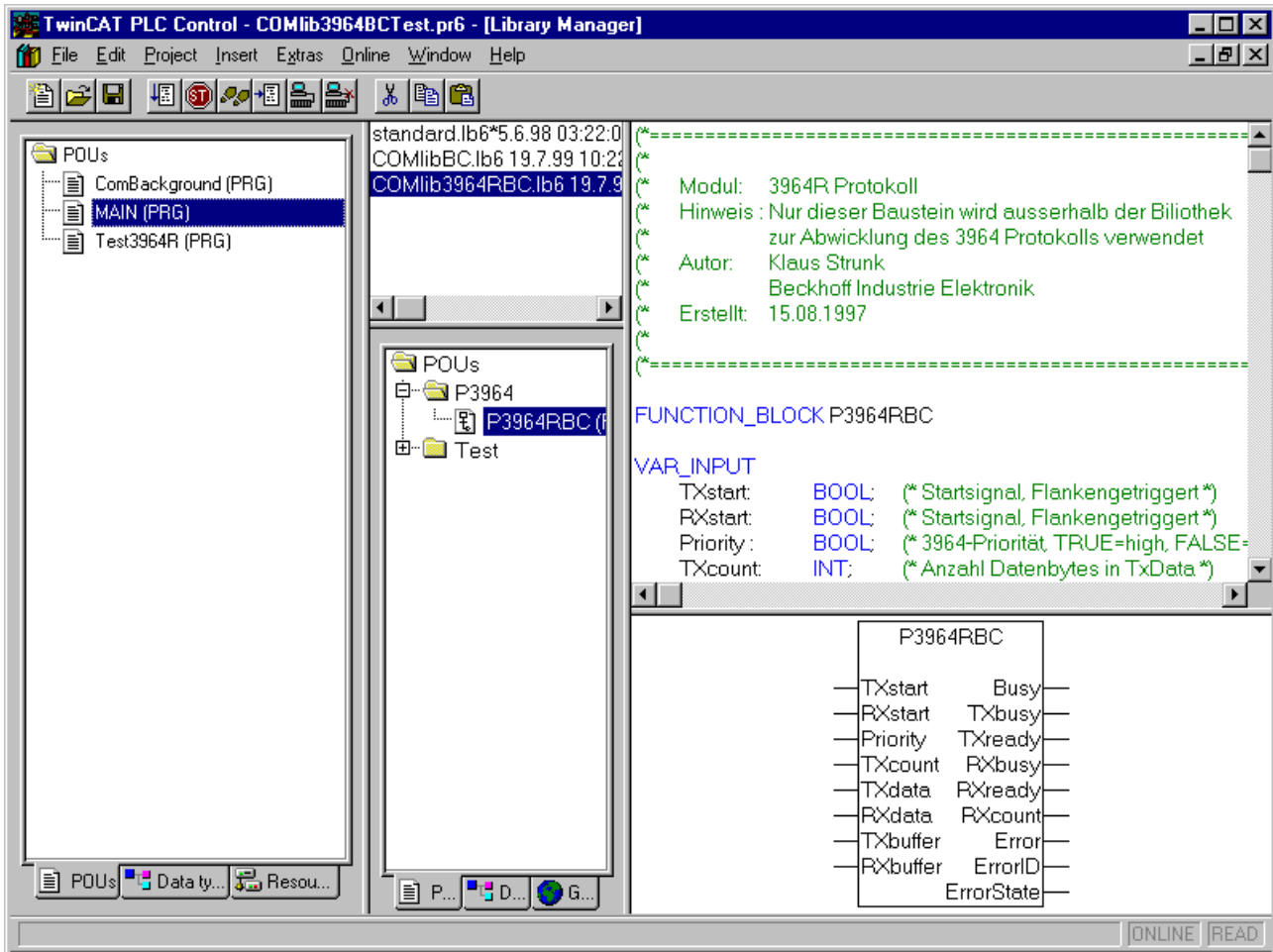
No.	Error constant	Description
		<p>This error can occur in the following transmission states (<i>ErrorState</i>), amongst others:</p> <p><i>Wait_DLE_TXstart</i>: the local PLC begins a telegram with a start character. The other device refuses the telegram with NAK.</p> <p><i>Wait_DLE_TXend</i>: the other device refuses the telegram with NAK after the user data has been transmitted. In this case the cause can, for example, be a checksum error at the other device.</p>

## 5 Linking into a PLC Program

### 5.1 Link Libraries

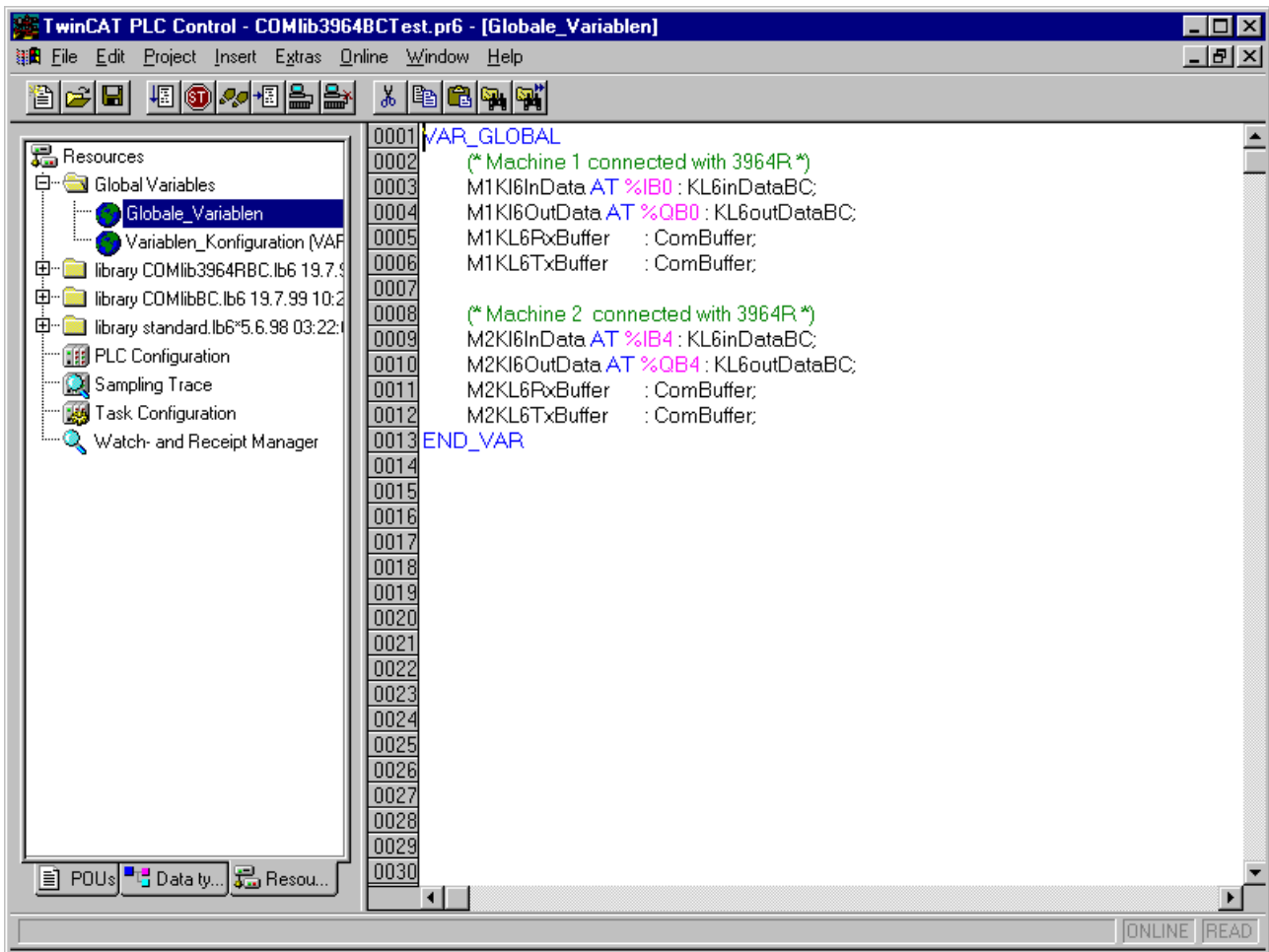
Create a new PLC project with TwinCAT PLC Control in order to perform the library linking.

Go to Library Management and add the libraries ComLibBC.LB6 and ComLib3964RBC.LB6.



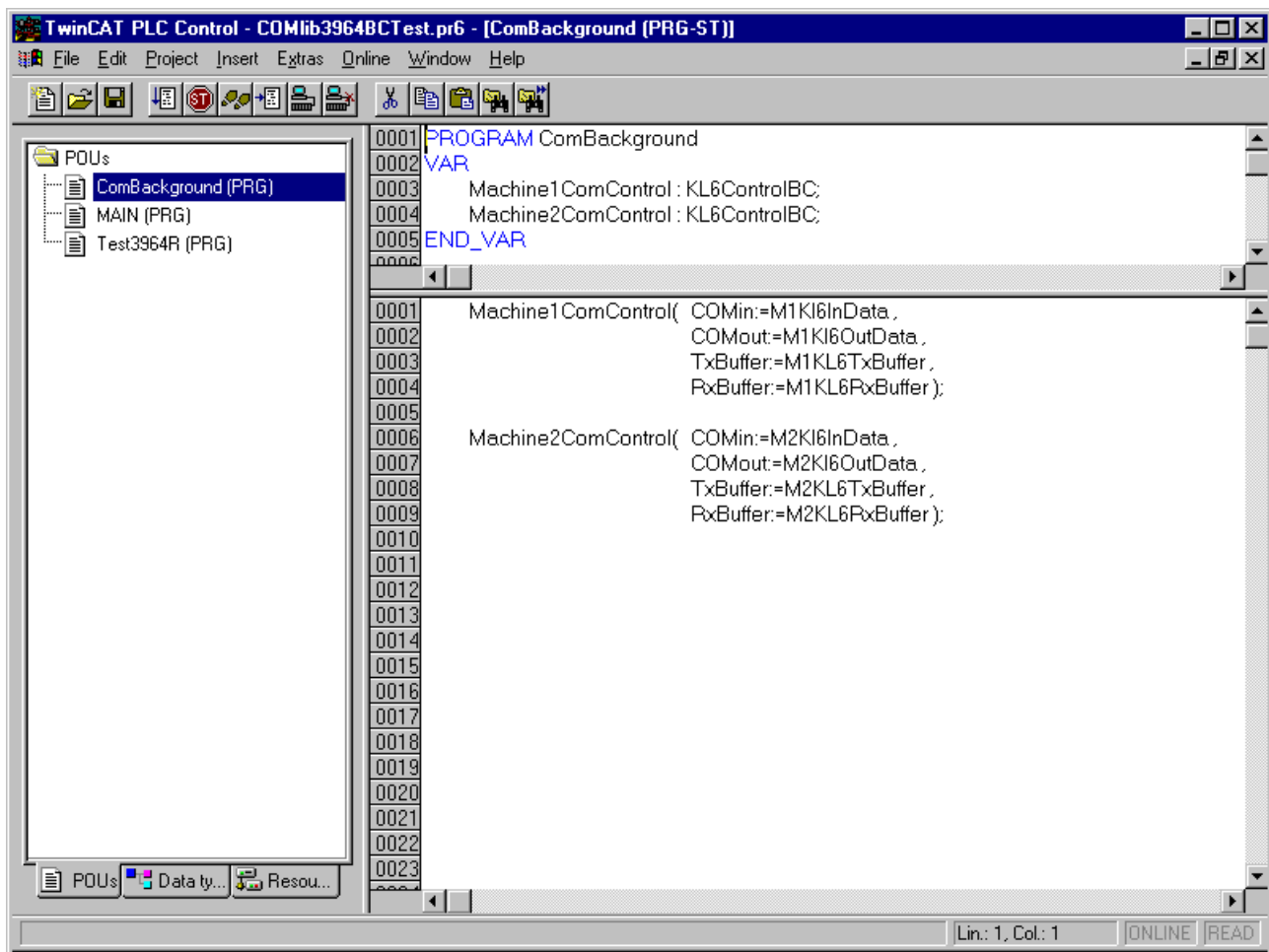
### 5.2 Global Variable

Four global data structures are needed to access a serial interface. Two provide the connection to the hardware in the send and receive directions. Two data buffers are also necessary for intermediate storage.



### 5.3 Background Communication

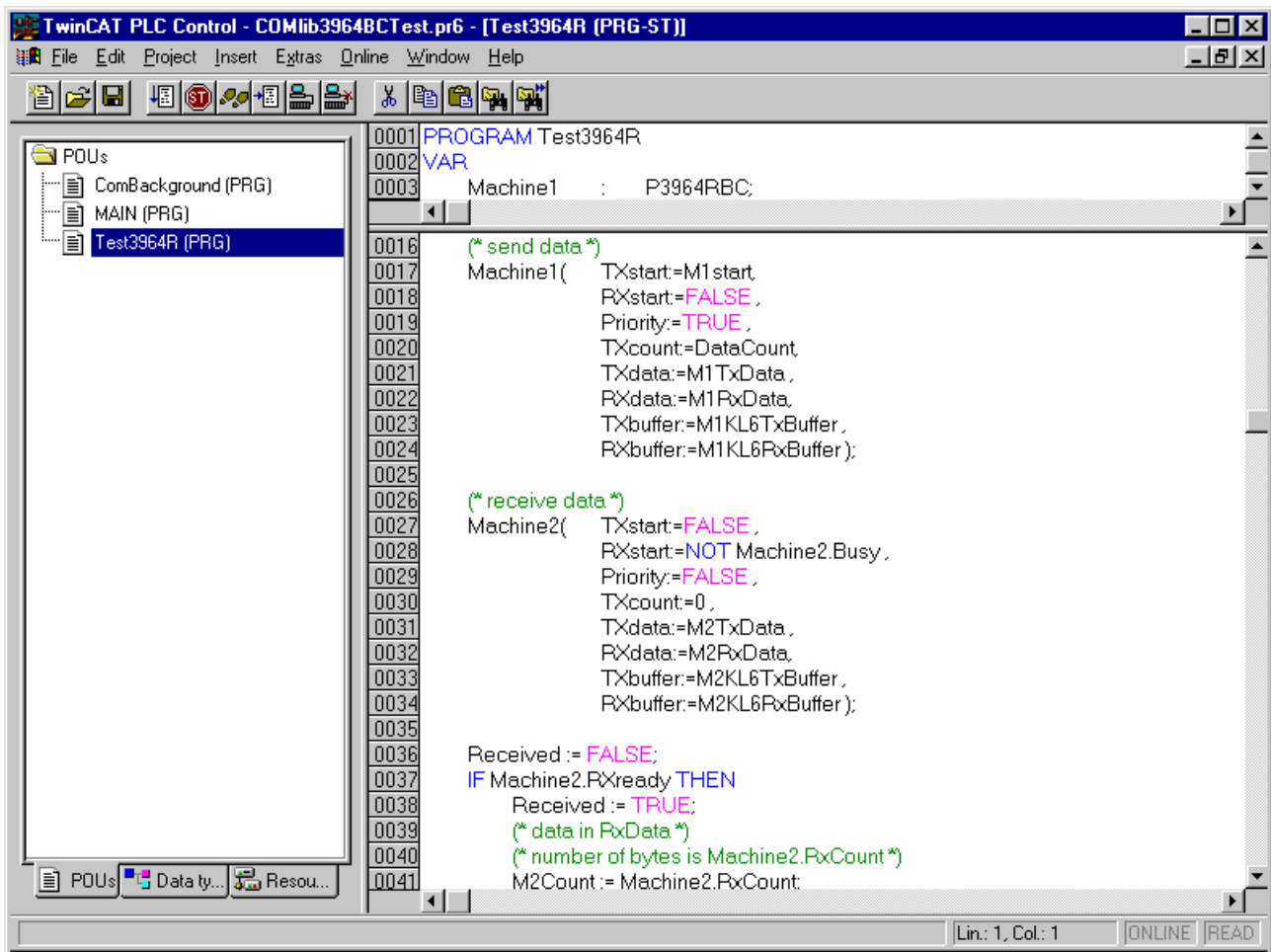
Communication between the serial hardware and the data buffer (of type ComBuffer) is handled along with the 3964R protocol in a separate function block.



## 5.4 3964R Protocol

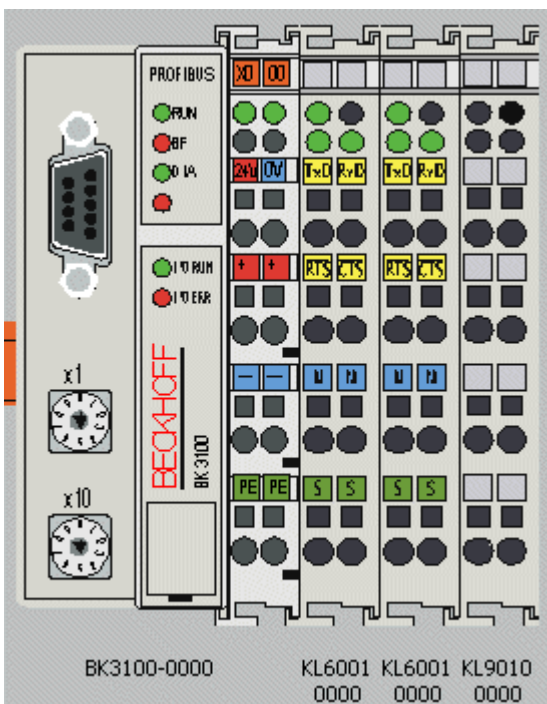
The sample program sends, for the purposes of demonstration, data to machine 1 every 10 seconds, and receives data constantly from machine 2.





## 5.5 Sample configuration

The sample program uses two serial bus terminals for communication. The RXD/TXD and RTS/CTS signals from the two terminals are cross-connected for the test. In that way data sent by one interface are received by the other.





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