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## PLX51-PBM

PROFIBUS DP Master/Slave to  
EtherNet/IP™, Modbus TCP/IP®, or  
Modbus® Serial Gateway

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# 1 Start Here

This document highlights the new features, fixes, enhancements and known issues for the PLX51-PBM.

## 1.1 About the PLX51-PBM

The PLX51-PBM gateway provides connectivity to EtherNet/IP™, Modbus TCP/IP®, or Modbus® Serial networks for PROFIBUS DP networks by operating as either a Master or Slave device on the PROFIBUS DP network.

## 1.2 Release Enhancements

| Release Version | Release Date | Description   |
|-----------------|--------------|---|
| 1.001.045       | 17-Jun-2025  | <b>New Features</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Network parameters can now be saved on the SD Card, which will allow a factory default module to also update the network parameters from the SD Card on startup.</li><li>• Updated DP Master Comms to match that of the PXM. PXM had enhancements to better manage when two masters share a DP network, as well as handling noisy DP networks.</li></ul> <b>Fixes &amp; Changes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Resolved issue where M580 SE Controller HSBY swap would result in long delay before PLX51-PBM reconnects.</li><li>• Resolved issue where odd number of bytes in the last slot with a SINT datatype (when using Modbus) would overwrite the next device data exchange.</li><li>• Resolved extra byte being copied to Modbus register when odd bytes in mapping.</li><li>• Resolved multiple bytes with odd total number not being copied correctly to PROFIBUS output.</li><li>• Resolved anomaly with SD Card Configuration backup that could cause the module to lock up on startup.</li><li>• Limited DP parameter and configuration size to avoid a buffer overrun with incorrect GSD files.</li></ul> |
| 1.001.042       | 1-Nov-2022   | Minimum firmware revision required to run on hardware with the "HB" designation in the F/W REV product label.   |
| 1.001.041       | 30-Jun-2021  | <b>New Features</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Added support to emulate Legacy Prolinx slave device</li><li>• EtherNet/IP Explicit Messaging feature</li><li>• Added support to allow a PROFIBUS DP Master to upload configuration (PLX51-PBM Slave Mode)</li><li>• Added byte/word swapping at device level</li><li>• Added option to force DP Slave data to 0 during communication loss (PLX51-PBM Master mode)</li><li>• Added support for Modbus Function Codes 5 &amp; 6</li><li>• Added support for slave devices with PROFIBUS Identity 0.</li></ul>  |

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|-----------|-------------|---|
| 1.001.038 | 31-Mar-2021 | <b>New Features</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Added Non-SINT Array support</li><li>• Added Modbus Communication Status</li><li>• DP Slaves online during communication failure feature</li><li>• Fixed PROFIBUS Endian format in Modbus modes for INT data types</li></ul>  |
| 1.001.035 | 1-Jul-2020  | <b>New Features</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Added Modbus TCP/IP and RTU functionality</li><li>• Added support for importing legacy PCB files</li></ul> <b>Fixes &amp; Changes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Shows major, minor, and build revisions in the target browser &amp; device flash</li><li>• Fixed TCP/ARP window display</li><li>• Data Exchange bits to clear after slave node address is changed during data exchange.</li></ul> |
| 1.001.017 | 28-Aug-2019 | Release   |

## 2 Support, Service & Warranty

### 2.1 Contacting Technical Support

ProSoft Technology, Inc. is committed to providing the most efficient and effective support possible. Before calling, please gather the following information to assist in expediting this process:

- 1 Product Version Number
- 2 System architecture
- 3 Network details

If the issue is hardware related, we will also need information regarding:

- 1 Module configuration and associated ladder files, if any
- 2 Module operation and any unusual behavior
- 3 Configuration/Debug status information
- 4 LED patterns
- 5 Details about the interfaced serial, Ethernet or Fieldbus devices

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