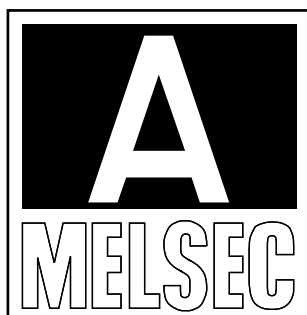
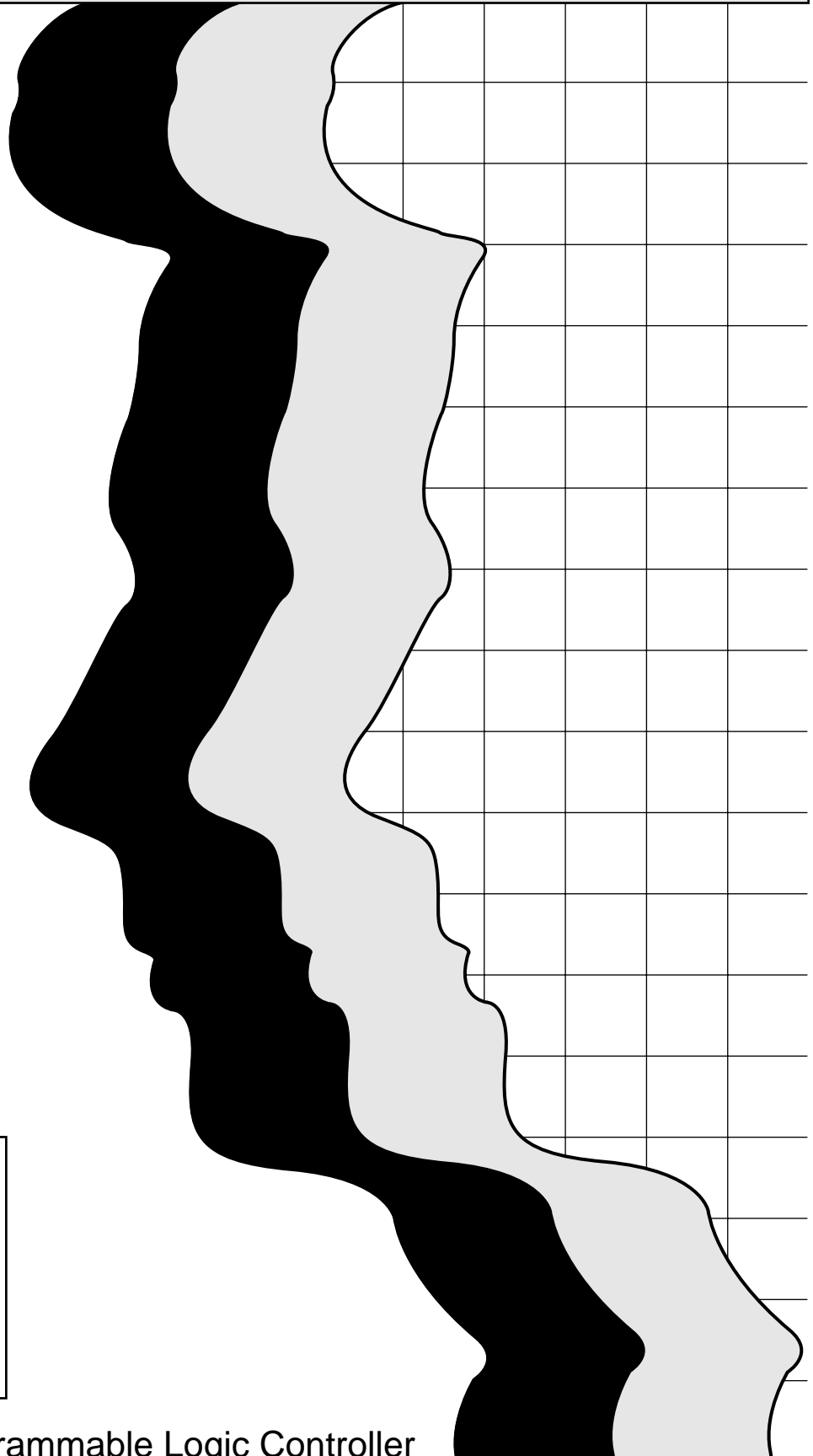


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Digital-Analog Converter Module Type A68DAV/DAI(S1)

User's Manual



Mitsubishi Programmable Logic Controller



# • SAFETY PRECAUTIONS •

(Always read these precautions before using this equipment.)

Before using this product, please read this manual and the relevant manuals introduced in this manual carefully and pay full attention to safety to handle the product correctly.

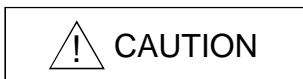
The precautions given in this manual are concerned with this product. Refer to the user's manual of the CPU module in use for details on the safety precautions for the programmable logic controller system.

In this manual, the safety precautions are ranked as "DANGER" and "CAUTION".




**DANGER**

Indicates that incorrect handling may cause hazardous conditions, resulting in death or severe injury.



**CAUTION**

Indicates that incorrect handling may cause hazardous conditions, resulting in medium or slight personal injury or physical damage.

Note that the  CAUTION level may lead to a serious consequence according to the circumstances. Always follow the precautions of both levels because they are important to personal safety.

Please save this manual to make it accessible when required and always forward it to the end user.

## [DESIGN PRECAUTIONS]

### **DANGER**

- Install a safety circuit external to the PLC that keeps the entire system safe even when there are problems with the external power supply or the PLC module.  
Otherwise, trouble could result from erroneous output or erroneous operation.
  - (1) The status of analog output changes depending on the setting of various functions that control the analog output. Take sufficient caution when setting for those functions.  
For details of analog output status, refer to Section 3.3.4 "Function combination".
  - (2) If there is a fault in the output element or the internal circuit, correct outputs may not be possible or erroneous outputs may be made.  
Provide a circuit to externally monitor output signals that could lead to major faults.

### **CAUTION**

- Do not bunch the control wires or communication cables with the main circuit or power wires, or install them close to each other.  
They should be installed 100mm (3.9inch) or more from each other.  
Not doing so could result in noise that would cause erroneous operation.
- At power ON/OFF, voltage or current may instantaneously be output from the output terminal of this module.  
In such case, wait until the analog output becomes stable to start controlling the external device.

## [INSTALLATION PRECAUTIONS]

### CAUTION

- Use the PLC in the environment that meets the general specifications given in this Manual. Using the PLC outside the range of the general specifications may result in electric shock, fire or malfunction, or may damage or degrade the module.
- Load the module after securely inserting the module fixing hook at the module bottom into the fixing hole of the base unit.  
Incorrect loading of the module can cause a malfunction , failure or drop.

## [WIRING PRECAUTIONS]

### CAUTION

- When wiring in the PLC, be sure that it is done correctly by checking the product's rated voltage and the terminal layout. Connecting a power supply that is different from the rating or incorrectly wiring the product could result in fire or damage.
- Tightening the terminal screws within the specified torque.  
If the terminal screws are loose, it could result in short circuits. fire, or erroneous operation.  
Tightening the terminal screws too far may cause damages to the screws or and/or the module, resulting in fallout, short circuits, or malfunction.
- Be sure there are no foreign substances such as sawdust or wiring debris inside the module.  
Such debris could cause fires, damage, or erroneous operation.

## [STARTING AND MAINTENANCE PRECAUTIONS]

### CAUTION

- Do not touch the terminals while power is on.  
Doing so could cause shock or erroneous operation.
- Be sure to shut off all phases of the external power supply used by the system before cleaning or retightening the terminal screws.  
Not doing so can cause the module to fail or malfunction.
- Do not disassemble or modify the module.  
Doing so could cause trouble, erroneous operation, injury, or fire.
- Be sure to shut off all phases of the external power supply used by the system before mounting or dismounting the module.  
If you do not switch off the external power supply, it will cause failure or malfunction of the module.
- Before handling the module, always touch grounded metal, etc. to discharge static electricity from the human body.  
Failure to do so can cause the module to fail or malfunction.

## [DISPOSAL PRECAUTIONS]

### CAUTION

- When disposing of this product, treat it as industrial waste.

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## **INTRODUCTION**

Thank you for choosing the Mitsubishi MELSEC-A Series of General Purpose Programmable Controllers. Please read this manual carefully so that the equipment is used to its optimum. A copy of this manual should be forwarded to the end user.

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### Conformation to the EMC Directive and Low Voltage Instruction

When incorporating the Mitsubishi PLC into other machinery or equipment and keeping compliance with the EMC and low voltage directives, refer to Chapter 3, "EMC Directives and Low Voltage Directives" of the User's Manual (Hardware) included with the CPU module or base unit used.

The CE logo is printed on the rating plate on the main body of the PLC that conforms to the EMC directive and low voltage instruction.

By making this product conform to the EMC directive and low voltage instruction, it is not necessary to make those steps individually.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

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This manual describes specifications, handling, programming and other information on the A68DAV digital-to-analog converter module (referred to as "A68DAV"), the A68DAI digital-to-analog converter module (referred to as "A68DAI") and the A68DAI-S1 digital-to-analog converter module (referred to as "A68DAI-S1") for use with a MELSEC-A series CPU module.

## (1) A68DAV

Used to convert incoming digital values (16-bit signed binary data) which are set with the PLC CPU to analog values (voltage outputs ranging from -10 V to 10 V).

## (2) A68DAI/A68DAI-S1

Used to convert incoming digital values (16-bit signed binary data) which are set with the PLC CPU to analog values (voltage outputs ranging from 0 mA to 20 mA).

In the following section, A68DAI is used generically for A68DAI and A68DAI-S1.

A68DAV and A68DAI are referred to as "A68DAV/DAI" or "module" in this manual.

## 1.1 Features

## (1) Allows digital-to-analog conversion for 8 channels.

The A68DAV/DAI can output analog values (voltage/current) to 8 external devices.

## (2) Allows setting of resolution of digital values at three stages (all channels in batch).

Resolution of digital values can be set selecting from 1/4000, 1/8000 and 1/120000 by resolution setting.

## (3) Allows analog output to be enabled/disabled on a channel basis.

Analog value output can be enabled or disabled for each channel by the sequence program.

The channel disabled for analog output provides an analog output value of 0 V or 0 mA.

## (4) Allows setting of analog output to be held or cleared (all channels in batch) at STOP of CPU.

Holding of analog output when the CPU is at STOP can be set with the HOLD/CLEAR terminal.

## (5) Allows offset/gain adjustment to be main without using offset/gain adjusting knobs.

The offset and gain values can be specified by the UP/DOWN switch for each channel.



2. SYSTEM CONFIGURATION

2.1 Overall Configuration

2.1.1 Building block type CPU system

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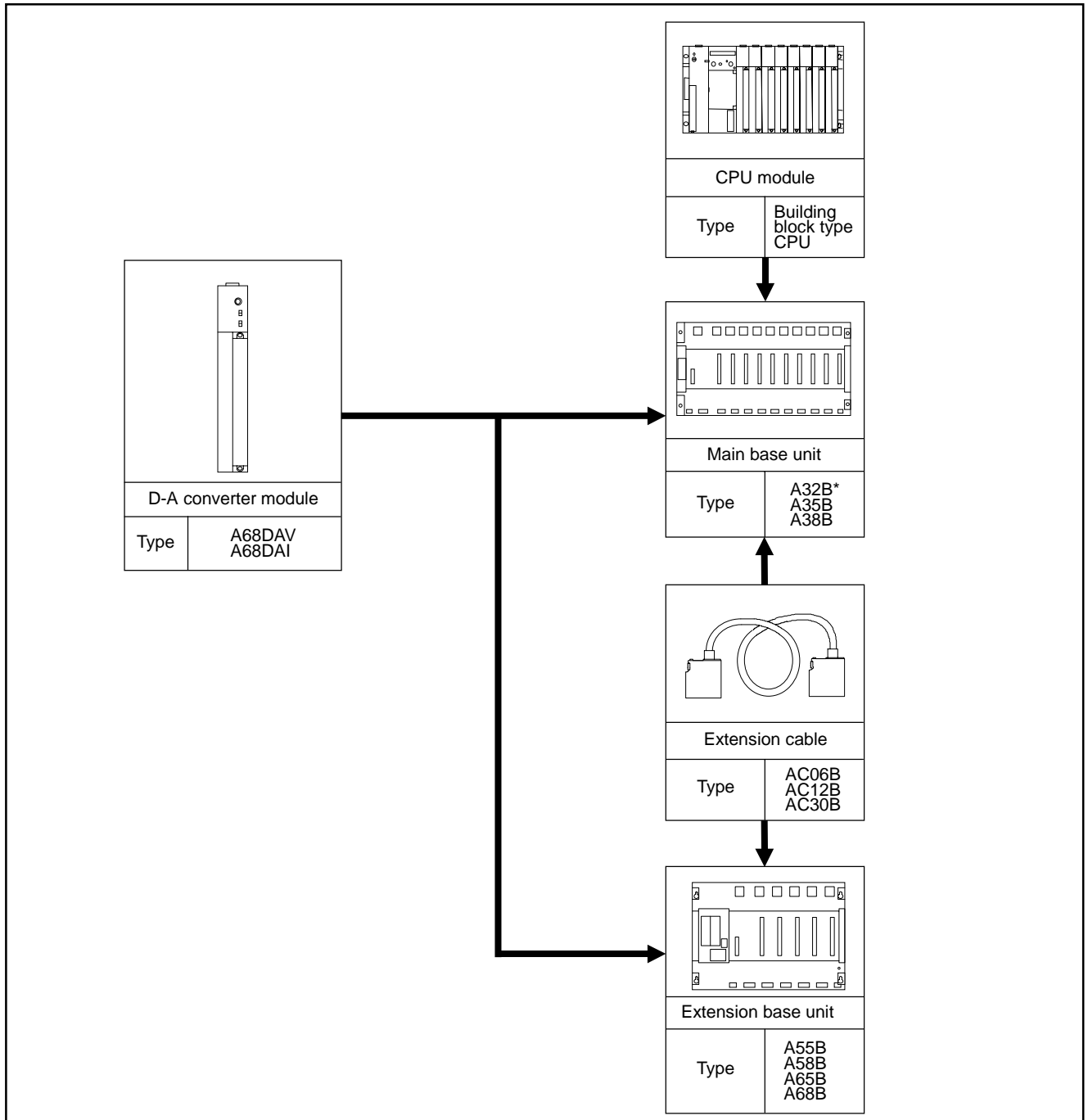
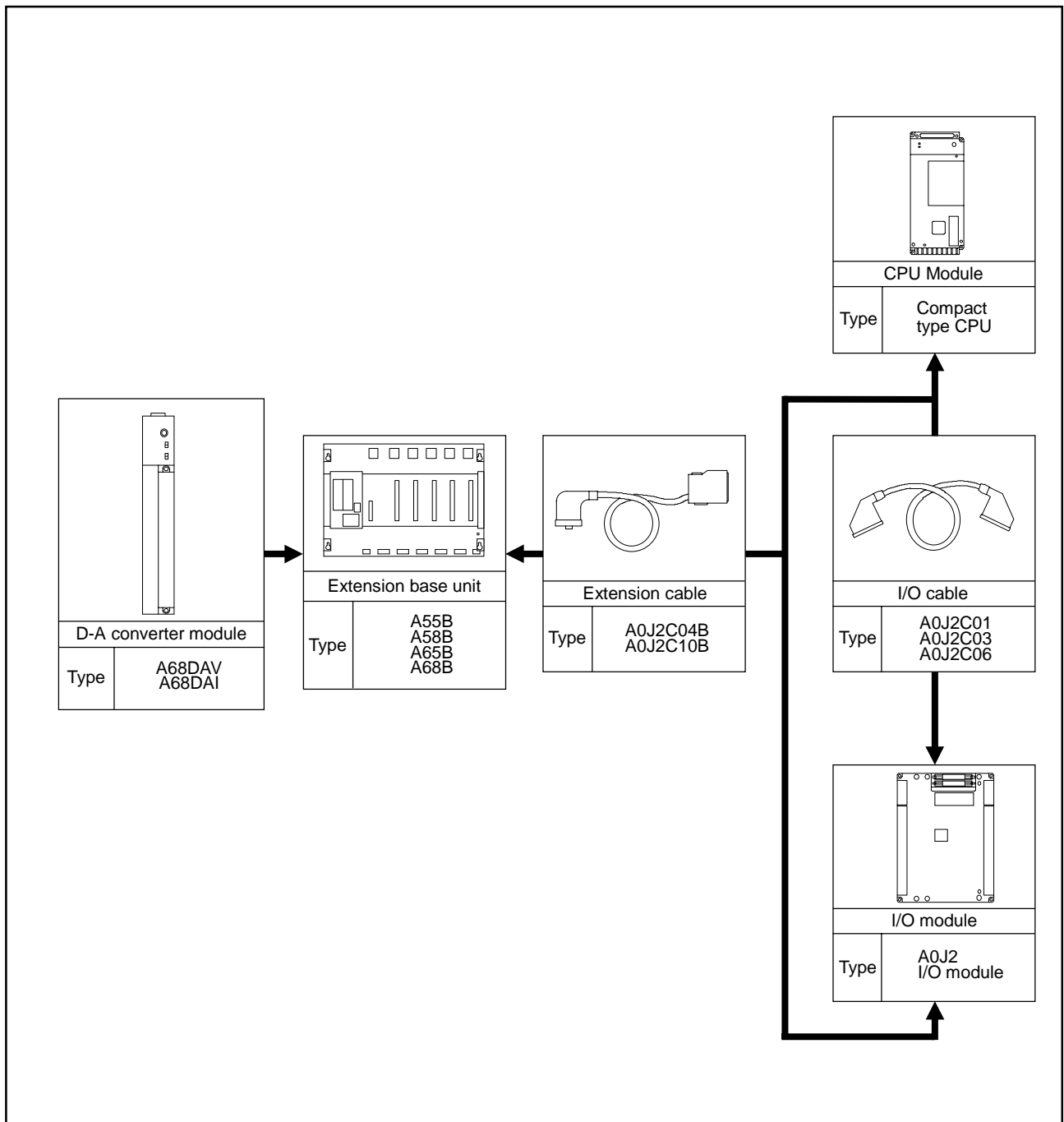


Fig. 2.1 Building Block

**REMARK**

1) \* An extension base cannot be connected to the A32B.

### 2.1.2 Compact type CPU system



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Fig. 2.2 Compact Type CPU System Configuration

### 2.2 Applicable A-Series Systems

The A68DAV/DAI can be used only for the following A-series systems.

(1) The following CPU modules are suitable for A68DAV/DAI.

Applicable CPU modules		
A0J2CPU	A3UCPU	Q4ARCPU
A0J2HCPU	A4UCPU	A1SJCPU (S3)
A1NCP	A73CPU	A1SJHCPU
A2NCP	A81CPU	A1SCPU
A2NCP-S1	A1CPU	A1SCPUC24-R2
A3NCP	A2CPU	A1SHCPU
A3HCP	A2CPU-S1	A2SCPU
A3MCP	A3CPU	A2SHCPU
A2ACP	Q2ACP	A2USCPU (S1)
A2ACP-S1	Q2ACP-S1	A2USHCPU-S1
A3ACP	Q3ACP	Q2ASCPU (S1)
A2UCP	Q4ACP	Q2ASHCPU (S1)
A2UCP-S1		Q02CPU-A
		Q2HCPU-A
		Q06HCPU-A

#### POINT

The A68DAV/DAI cannot be used in an A0J2P25/R25(remote I/O station).

(2) A68DAV/DAI may be loaded into any slot on the base unit with the following precautions:

- (a) When using the A68DAV/DAI with the A55B or A58B extension bases (i.e. those without power supplies), select the power supply for the main base unit in accordance with the relevant CPU module User's Manual.
- (b) When used with the A3CPU(P21/R21), the A68DAV/DAI cannot be loaded in the slot of the 7th extension stage in a system for which I/O allocation has been made or link X, Y defined in the parameters.  
(These restrictions do not apply to A3NCP, A3HCP, A3MCP, A73CPU, A3ACP).

On a data link system, the A616DA can be mounted to any of the following: master station, local station or remote I/O.

Refer to the MELSECNET and MELSECNET/B data link system reference manual for examples of programs for remote I/O stations.

### 2.3 Notes on Configuring the System

- (1) When using the A68DAV/DAI, an external power supply is required to supply 24 VDC to the A68DAV/DAI.

When supplying a 24 VDC power, follow the power supply specifications mentioned in Section 3.2 Performance Specifications (external power supply). (refer to 4.6.3)

### 3. SPECIFICATIONS

This chapter describes the general specifications performance specifications, and I/O conversion characteristics of the A68DAV/DAI.

#### 3.1 General Specifications

Table 3.1 shows the general specifications of the A68DAV/DAI.

**Table 3.1 General Specifications**

Item	Specifications					
Operating ambient temperature	0 to 55 °C					
Storage ambient temperature	-20 to 75 °C					
Operating ambient humidity	10 to 90 %RH, non-condensing					
Storage ambient humidity	10 to 90 %RH, non-condensing					
Vibration resistance	Conforming to *JIS B 3502, IEC 61132-2	—	Frequency	Acceleration	Amplitude	Sweep Count 10 times each in X, Y and Z axis (80 minutes)
		When there is Intermittent vibration	10 to 57 Hz	—	0.075 mm	
			57 to 150 Hz	9.8 m/s <sup>2</sup>	—	
		When there is continuous vibration	10 to 57 Hz	—	0.035 mm	
57 to 150 Hz	4.9 m/s <sup>2</sup>		—			
Shock resistance	Conforming to JIS B 3502, IEC 61131-2 (147 m/s <sup>2</sup> , 3 times each in 3 directions)					
Operating environment	No corrosive gas present					
Operating height *3	2000 m (6582 ft) or less					
Installation area	On the control board					
Over-voltage category *1	II or less					
Pollution rate *2	2 or less					

\*1: Indicates the distribution area where the device is assumed to be connected, from the public power distribution network to the local machine device. Category II is applied to the devices to which the power is supplied from a fixed equipment.

The surge resistance voltage of a rated 300 V device is 2500 V.

\*2: This is an index which indicates the occurrence rate of the conductive object in the environment where the device is used.

Pollution rate II indicates that only non-conductive pollution may occur with a possibility of generating temporary conductivity due to accidental condensation.

\*3: Do not operate or store the PLC in the environment where the pressure applied is equal to greater than the atmospheric pressure at the altitude of 0m.

Doing so may cause a malfunction. Please consult our branch office when the PLC is to be operated under pressure.



#### 3.2 Performance Specifications

Table 3.2 shows the performance specifications of the A68DAV/DAI.

**Table 3.2 Performance Specifications**

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Overall accuracy (accuracy to the maximum value) *2	±1.0 % (±100 mV)		±1.0 % (±200 μA)																																																					
Conversion time *3	Maximum 40 ms/8 channels (same for 1 channel) NOTE) Time from input of digital value till specified analog value (voltage/current) is output.																																																							
Absolute maximum output	Voltage: 0 to +12 V Current: 0 to +28 mA NOTE) A voltage or a current that exceeds these ranges is not output by an output protection ladder.																																																							
Analog output points	8 channels/module																																																							
Insulation method	Photocoupler insulation between output terminals and PLC power (no insulation between channels)																																																							
Number of I/O points	32 points (I/O allocation: special function module)																																																							
Connection terminal	38 point terminal block																																																							
Applicable wire size	0.75 to 2 mm <sup>2</sup> (Applicable tightening torque: 39N to 59N-cm)																																																							
Applicable solderless terminal	V1.25-3, V1.25-YS3A, V2-S3, V2-YS3A																																																							
Internal current consumption (5 VDC)	0.15 A		0.15 A																																																					
External power supply	Voltage	21.6 to 26.4 VDC																																																						
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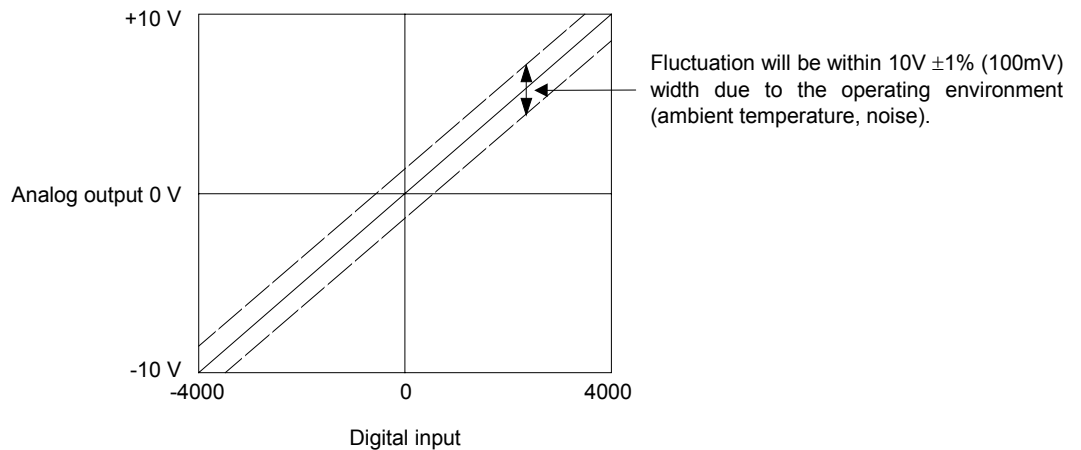
**\*1 Maximum resolution of analog value**

The maximum resolution of analog value is the maximum variance in the analog output caused by a change in the digital value by "1".

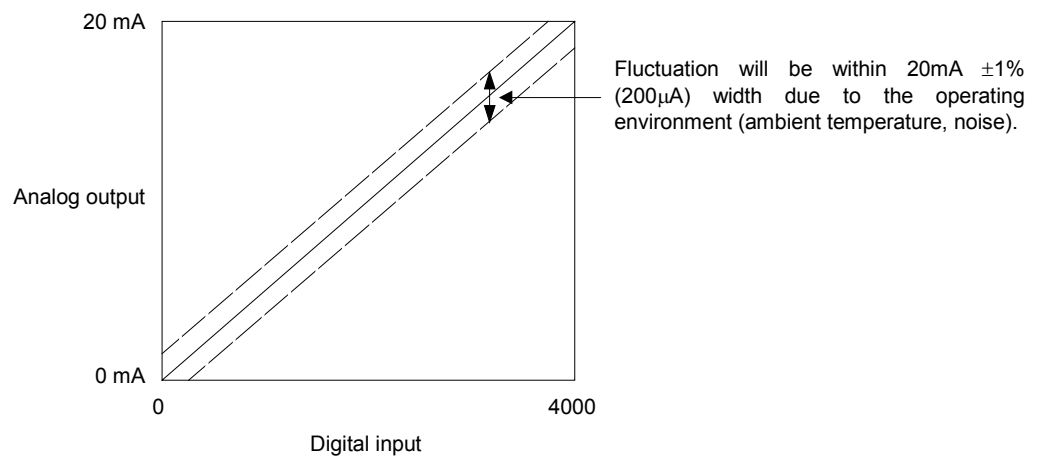
**\*2 Overall accuracy**

Over all accuracy is the accuracy to the maximum value of analog output.

- 1) Overall accuracy of the A68DAV is the accuracy when the output voltage setting is 10 volts.



- 2) Overall accuracy of the A68DAI is the accuracy when the output voltage setting is 20 mA.



**\*3 Conversion speed**

The conversion speed is the length of time required from the reading of a digital value written to the buffer to the output of the specified analog value after D-A conversion. The conversion speed becomes the maximum when the maximum analog value output changes to the minimum analog value output, or vice versa. The maximum speed is 40 ms.

- \*4** When using the A68DAI, passing the wire with a common cable cannot be made on the side with the external device, but it is possible with the A68DAI-SI. For details, refer to Section 4.6.2.

#### 3.2.1 I/O conversion characteristics of the A68DAV

(1) I/O conversion characteristics

I/O characteristics are provided to convert a digital value specified from the CPU into an analog value and are indicated by an inclination connected between an offset value and a gain value.

(2) Offset/gain values

(a) The offset and gain values are defined as follows.

- 1) Offset value : Voltage output from the A68DAV when the digital value specified from the PLC CPU is "0".
- 2) Gain value : Voltage output from the A68DAV when digital value specified from the PLC CPU is "4000" (when digital value resolution setting is 1/4000).

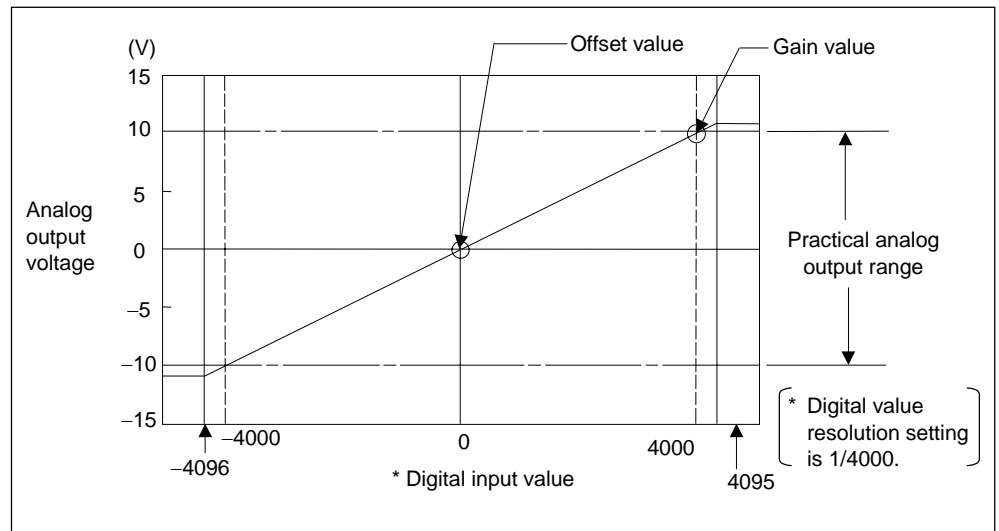
(b) Offset/gain values are set before delivery as shown below.

- 1) Offset value : 0 V
- 2) Gain value : 10 V

(c) Offset/gain value can be changed for each channel in the test mode.

(3) I/O conversion characteristic example

The figure below shows an example of I/O conversion characteristics.



**Fig. 3.1 I/O Conversion Characteristics**

(4) Relation between offset/gain values and analog output

Resolution of the A68DAV can be changed as appropriate by offset/gain setting.

Resolution of analog value and analog output caused by digital input when offset/gain setting is changed are obtained as shown below.

$$(\text{Resolution of analog value}) = \frac{(\text{Gain value}) - (\text{Offset value})}{(\text{Resolution of digital value})}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{Analog output}) &= \frac{(\text{Gain value}) - (\text{Offset value})}{(\text{Resolution of digital})} \times (\text{Digital input}) + (\text{Offset value}) \\ &= (\text{Resolution of analog value}) \times (\text{Digital input}) + (\text{Offset value}) \end{aligned}$$

The value of "resolution of digital value" (marked "\*1") varies depending on the setting at buffer address "9" (digital value resolution multiplication). For the calculation, use the following values.

Setting at Buffer Address "9"	Value Used for Resolution of Digital Value
1	4000
2	8000
3	12000

Section 3.6 gives buffer details.

**POINT**

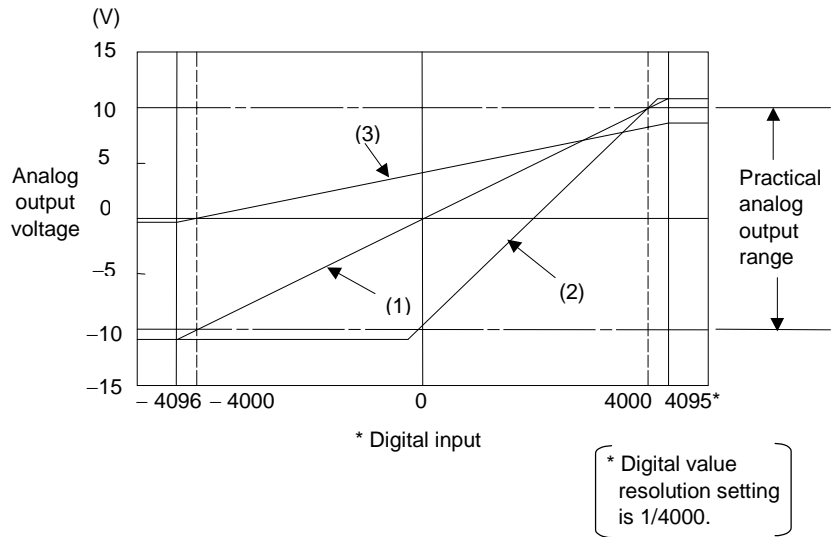
Due to the nature of the D-A converter of the A68DAV, the variance value of analog output values in response to an increment/decrement of the digital input value by "1" might differ from the calculated value.

(5) I/O conversion characteristics when offset/gain setting is changed

The figures below show the I/O conversion characteristics when offset/gain setting is changed.

The right figure shows the I/O conversion characteristics when offset/gain setting is provided as follows.

No.	Offset Value	Gain Value
(1)	0 V	+10 V
(2)	-10 V	+10 V
(3)	+4 V	+8 V



Example

(1) The analog output voltages are as follows at the digital input value settings of 2000 and 500 for the characteristic graphs (1) to (3).

No.	Digital Input	Analog Output
(1)	2000	+5.0 V
	500	+1.25 V
(2)	2000	0 V
	500	-7.5 V
(3)	2000	6.0 V
	500	4.5 V

Fig. 3.2 I/O Conversion Characteristics when Offset/Gain Setting is Changed

#### 3.2.2 I/O conversion characteristics of the A68DAI

(1) I/O conversion characteristics

Since the I/O conversion characteristics are for converting the set digital values from the CPU to an analog value, they slanted by the joining of the offset value and gain value.

(2) Offset/gain values

(a) The offset and gain values are defined as follows.

- 1) Offset value : Voltage output from the A68DAI when the digital value specified from the PLC CPU is "0".
- 2) Gain value : Voltage output from the A68DAI when digital value specified from the PLC CPU is "4000" (when digital value resolution setting is 1/4000).

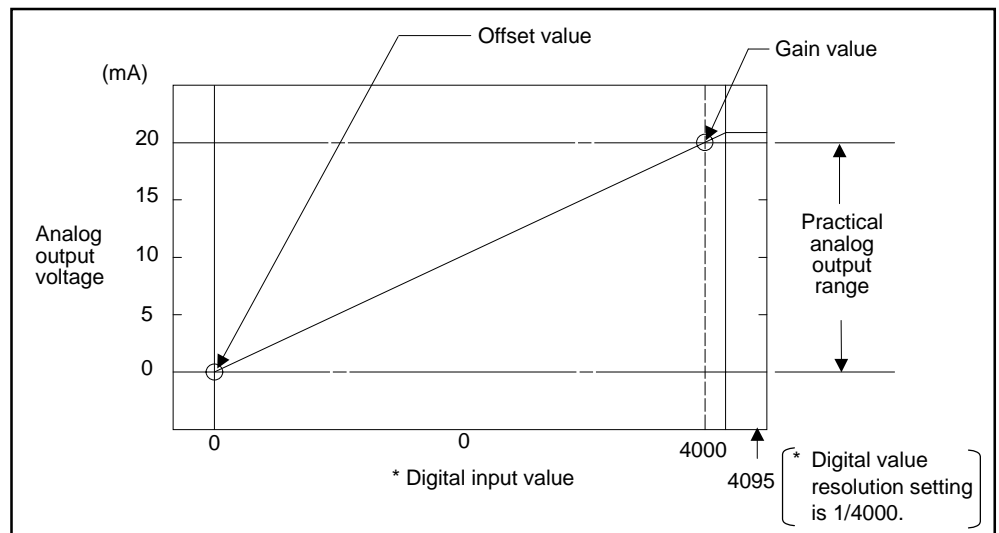
(b) Offset/gain values are set before delivery as shown below.

- 1) Offset value : 4 mA
- 2) Gain value : 20 mA

(c) Offset/gain value can be changed for each channel in the test mode.

(3) I/O conversion characteristic example

The figure below shows an example of I/O conversion characteristics.



**Fig. 3.3 I/O Conversion Characteristics**

(4) Relation between offset/gain values and analog output

Resolution of the A68DAI can be changed as appropriate by offset/gain setting.

Resolution of analog value and analog output caused by digital input when offset/gain setting is changed are obtained as shown below.

$$(\text{Resolution of analog value}) * 1 = \frac{(\text{Gain value}) - (\text{Offset value})}{(\text{Resolution of digital value})}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{Analog output}) * 1 &= \frac{(\text{Gain value}) - (\text{Offset value})}{(\text{Resolution of digital value})} \times (\text{Digital input}) + (\text{Offset value}) \\ &= (\text{Resolution of analog value}) \times (\text{Digital input}) + (\text{Offset value}) \end{aligned}$$

The value of "resolution of digital value" (marked "\*1") varies depending on the setting at buffer address "9" (digital value resolution multiplication). For the calculation, use the following values.

Setting at Buffer Address "9"	Value Used for Resolution of Digital Value
1	4000
2	8000
3	12000

Section 3.6 gives buffer details.

**POINT**

Due to the nature of the D-A converter of the A68DAV, the variance value of analog output values in response to an increment/decrement of the digital input value by "1" might differ from the calculated value.

(5) I/O conversion characteristics when offset/gain setting is changed

The figures below show the I/O conversion characteristics when offset/gain setting is changed.

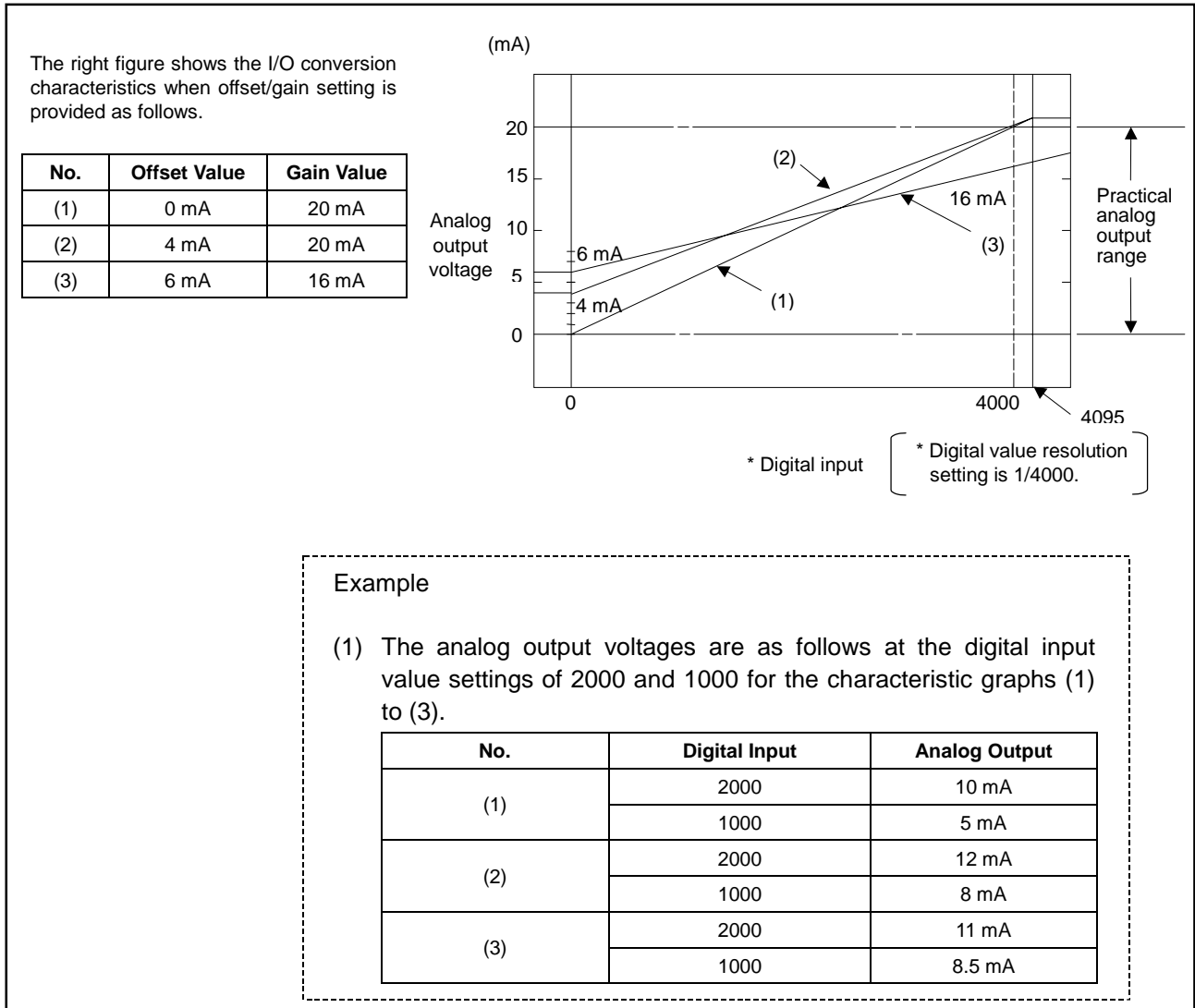


Fig. 3.4 I/O Conversion Characteristics when Offset/Gain Setting is Changed



#### 3.3 Analog Output Control Functions

##### 3.3.1 Analog output HOLD/CLEAR function at STOP of CPU

When the CPU is at STOP, or when the D-A conversion is stopped by the CPU module because of the occurrence of error, holding of analog output can be selected for all channels in batch with the HOLD/CLEAR terminal.

##### 3.3.2 D-A conversion execute/non-execute setting function (D-A conversion output enable flag)

This function determines if each channel outputs a D-A conversion value or an offset value by setting a D-A conversion value output enable flag for each channel in the sequence program.

The D-A conversion time (conversion speed) is fixed disregarding of setting a D-A conversion value disable flag.

ON : D-A conversion value    OFF: offset value

##### 3.3.3 Analog value external output enable/disable setting function (analog output enable/disable)

This function determines if an analog value output to external devices is enabled or disabled by writing 0/1 to address 0 for each channel in the sequence program. Select one of the functions according to the state of the analog output to be set.

1 : 0 V/0 mA            0 : (D-A conversion value or offset value)

##### 3.3.4 Function combination

When the CPU is at RUN or STOP, or when an error occurs in the CPU, analog values can be set as shown in Table 3.3 by combining any or all of the analog output control functions. Select the most appropriate combination.

**Table 3.3 Analog Output State Setting Combinations**

Setting Combination Output Status	HOLD/CLEAR Setting (Section 3.3.1)	CLEAR				HOLD	
	D-A Conversion Output Enable Flag (Section 3.3.2)	Enable (ON)		Disable (OFF)		Enable (ON)/Disable (OFF)	
	Analog Output Enable/Disable Setting (Section 3.3.3)	Enable (0)	Disable (1)	Enable (0)	Disable (1)	Enable (0)	Disable (1)
Analog output at CPU STOP	Analog value after D-A conversion of digital value set with the PLC CPU is output.	0 V/0 mA	Offset value is output.	0 V/0 mA	Analog value after D-A conversion of digital value set with the PLC CPU is output.	0 V/0 mA	
Analog output at CPU STOP	Offset value is output.	0 V/0 mA	Offset value is output.	0 V/0 mA	Analog value before STOP is held.	0 V/0 mA	
Analog output at CPU error occurrence		0 V/0 mA	0 V/0 mA	0 V/0 mA	0 V/0 mA	0 V/0 mA	0 V/0 mA

#### 3.4 CPU I/O Signal

##### 3.4.1 Overview of I/O signals

The A68DAV/DAI uses 32 points of signals for input and output respectively.

Table 3.4 gives the allocation and description of I/O signals.

X devices refer to input signals from the A68DAV/DAI to the CPU.

Y devices refer to output signals from the CPU to the A68DAV/DAI.

The device numbers (input signals) shown in the table are used when the A68DAV/DAI is loaded into slot 0 of the main base unit.

**Table 3.4 I/O Signals**

Signal Direction: A68DAV/DAI → CPU		Signal Direction: CPU → A68DAV/DAI	
Device No.	Signal Description	Device No.	Signal Description
X0	WDT error flag (A68DAV/DAI detection)	Y0 through YC	Unusable (used for system only)
X1	D-A conversion READY	YD through YF	Interlock signal for RERP and RTOP instructions when the A68DAV/DAI is used as a remote I/O station.
X2	Error flag	X10 through Y17	D-A conversion value output enable flag
X3 through X1C	Unusable	Y18	Error reset flag
X1D through X1F	Interlock signal for RERP and RTOP instructions when the A68DAV/DAI is used as a remote I/O station.	Y19 through Y1F	Unusable (used for system only)

<b>IMPORTANT</b>	<p>Because devices Y0 through YC and Y19 through Y1F are used in the system, they cannot be used in the sequence program.</p> <p>If any of these devices are used (turned ON/OFF) in the sequence program, the functions of the A64DAV/DAI cannot be guaranteed.</p> <p>If any of the devices Y0 through Y1F, has the same number as any of the devices X0 through X1F, that device cannot be used as an internal relay.</p>
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#### 3.4.2 I/O signal functions

(1) WDT (watch dog timer) error flag (X0)

This flag is set when the self-diagnosis function of the A68DAV/DAI detects a WDT error. While the error flag is set, the D-A conversion of the A68DAV/DAI does not RUN (0 V/0 mA is output). If the error flag (X0) is set, a hardware malfunction may occur.

(2) D-A conversion READY signal (X1)

This signal is turned ON when the D-A conversion is ready after turning on or resetting the CPU in a mode other than the normal mode (test mode).

If the TEST terminals on the front of the module are connected to each other, this signal is turned OFF.

The D-A conversion READY signal (X1) can also be used as the buffer memory read/write interlock .

**REMARK**

In this manual, "D-A conversion READY" means the time when the analog output values have been output to external equipment by executing the D-A conversion with each channel.

(3) Error flag (X2)

This flag is set when an error (digital value setting error) other than the watch dog timer error occurs in the A68DAV/DAI.

This flag is reset when: (a) the error reset flag (Y18) is turned ON, or (b), "0" is written to the CH1 to CH8 set value check code storage areas (buffer 10 to 17).

(4) Interlock signals (X1D to X1F, YD to YF) for RFRP and RTOP instructions

(a) X1D and YD

One of these is set when the RFRP and RTOP instructions cannot be executed because of a module error.

When YD is turned ON, X1D is turned OFF.

(b) X1E and YE

While executing the RFRP instruction, YE is turned ON.

When the execution is completed, X1E flag is turned ON and YE remains ON.

Therefore, YE should be turned OFF by the sequence program.

(c) X1F and YF

While executing the RTOP instruction, YF is turned ON.

When the execution is completed, X1F is turned ON and YF remains ON.

Therefore, YF should be turned OFF by the sequence program.

**POINT**

Refer to the ACPU Programming Manual (Common Instructions) for the use of the interlock signals for the RFRP and RTOP instructions.

(5) D-A conversion output enable flag (Y10 to Y17)

If any of the D-A conversion enable flags for channels 1 to 8 are set, the D-A conversion value output of the corresponding channels is set to "enabled".

If a D-A conversion value output needs to be set to "disable", reset the corresponding D-A conversion enable flag.

Y10 : D-A conversion value output enable flag for channel 1

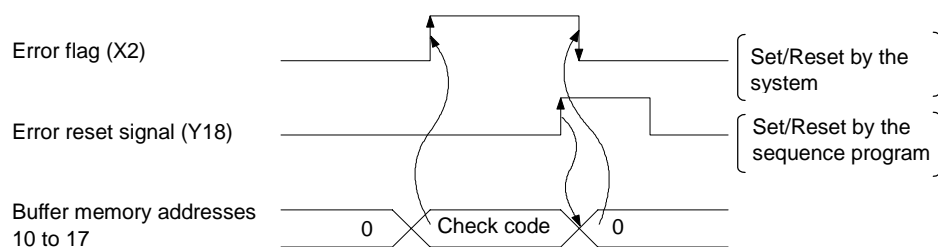
Y11 : D-A conversion value output enable flag for channel 2

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Y17 : D-A conversion value output enable flag for channel 8

(6) Error reset signal (Y18)

Turning ON the error reset signal (Y18) resets the error flag (X2), and clears the check code stored in the setting value check code storage area (addresses 10 to 17) of the buffer memory. It is replaced by "0".



**POINT**

The I/O allocation numbers of the A68DAV/DAI mentioned in this manual are those when the A68DAV/DAI is loaded in slot No.0 of the main base unit.

#### 3.5 Buffer Memory

The A68DAV/DAI has a buffer memory (not battery backed) for data communication with the CPU.

The buffer memory assignment and data maps are indicated below.

##### 3.5.1 Buffer memory assignment

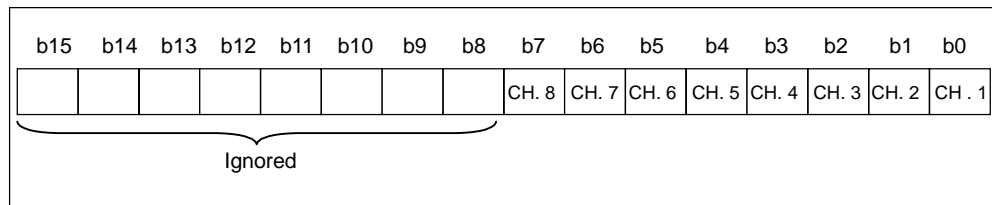
Address 2 (Decimal)		Default Value	Relevant Section
0	Analog output enable/ disable channel	0000 <sub>H</sub> (all channels enabled)	Section 3.5.2
1	CH.1 digital value	0	Section 3.5.3
2	CH.2 digital value		
3	CH.3 digital value		
4	CH.4 digital value		
5	CH.5 digital value		
6	CH.6 digital value		
7	CH.7 digital value		
8	CH.8 digital value		
9	Resolution of digital value	1(1/4000)	Section 3.5.4
10	CH.1 set value check code	0	Section 3.5.5
11	CH.2 set value check code		
12	CH.3 set value check code		
13	CH.4 set value check code		
14	CH.5 set value check code		
15	CH.6 set value check code		
16	CH.7 set value check code		
17	CH.8 set value check code		

**Fig. 3.5 Buffer Memory Assignment**

<b>POINT</b>	Addresses 10 to 17 of the buffer memory are the read-only area. When write is executed with a sequence program, an error will occur.
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#### 3.5.2 Analog output enable/disable channel area (Address 0<sub>H</sub>)

- (1) Defines output enable/disable for the converted analog value per channel.
- (2) All channels are enabled for output when:
  - (a) Power is switched on; or
  - (b) CPU is reset.
- (3) Output disable/enable is defined by 1/0.
  - (a) Disable ..... 1
  - (b) Enable ..... 0
- (4) The analog output enable/disable channel area data map is shown below:



**Fig. 3.6 Analog Output Enable/Disable Channel Area Data Map**

#### 3.5.3 CH.1 to CH.8 digital value area (Addresses 1<sub>H</sub> to 8<sub>H</sub>)

- (1) Write digital values to this area from the CPU for D-A conversion.
- (2) Digital values of all channels are set to 0 if:
  - (a) D-A conversion ready (X1) is ON after power on; or
  - (b) D-A conversion ready (X1) is switched ON after the CPU is reset.
- (3) Any digital value specified should be a 16-bit signed binary within the setting range of digital value resolution. Any digital value outside this range is changed to a value indicated below before D-A conversion, and the corresponding check code is written to the set value check code area (addresses 10 to 17).

Table 3.5 The Setting Range of Digital Value

Module	Digital Value Resolution	Setting Range	Digital Value for D-A Conversion when Values Outside the Special Ranges are Set.
A68DAV	1/4000	-4096 to 4095 (-4000 to 4000 : for guaranteed operation)	4096 or above : 4095 -4097 or below : -4096
	1/8000	-8192 to 8191 (-8000 to 8000 : :for guaranteed operation)	8192 or above : 8191 -8193 or below : -8192
	1/12000	-12288 to 12287 (-12000 to 12000 : for guaranteed operation)	12288 or above : 12287 -12289 or below : -12288
A68DAI	1/4000	0 to 4095 (0 to 4000 : for guaranteed operation)	4096 or above : 4095 -1 or below : 0
	1/8000	0 to 8191 (0 to 8000 : for guaranteed operation)	8192 or above : 8191 -1 or below : 0
	1/12000	0 to 12287 (0 to 12000 : for guaranteed operation)	12288 or above : 12287 -1 or below : 0

3.5.4 Resolution setting area of digital value (Address 9<sub>H</sub>)

- (1) The resolution set in the resolution setting area of digital value which corresponds to the range of analog output voltage is common to all channels.
- (2) The resolution value of digital value is "1" (1/4000) in the following cases.
  - (a) At power on.
  - (b) At reset of the PLC CPU.
- (3) The setting value should be 1, 2 or 3.

Table 3.6 Resolution Setting Range

Setting Value	Resolution of Digital Value
1	1/4000
2	1/8000
3	1/12000

**POINT**

(1) If the set value is other than 1, 2, or 3, the resolution value is not changed and is set to the last set value before set or to a default value.

(2) Set the resolution multiplication value only once before the D-A conversion value output enable flag is turned ON.  
 If the set value is changed while the D-A conversion enable flag is set, i.e. a machine is being controlled, the analog output will change causing machine control problems.

#### 3.5.5 CH.1 to CH.8 set value check code storage area (Addresses 10<sub>H</sub> to 17<sub>H</sub>)

- (1) Used to check whether the set digital values are within or out of the setting range of digital value resolution.
- (2) The corresponding check code in Table 3.7 is stored if a digital value out of the setting range of digital value resolution is set.

**Table 3.7 Check Code List**

Check Code	Description
000F <sub>H</sub>	A digital value over the setting range of digital value resolution was set.
00F0 <sub>H</sub>	A digital value below the setting range of digital value resolution was set.
00FF <sub>H</sub>	Digital values over and below the setting range of digital value resolution were set. For example, the 00FF <sub>H</sub> check code is stored if a digital value exceeding the valid range is written, and then, without the check code being reset, a digital value that falls short of the valid range is written.

- (3) Any check code stored once is not reset even though the corresponding set value is corrected to a valid value (within the setting range of digital value resolution).

The check code should be reset by switching the error reset signal(Y18) ON.

**POINT**

The error flag(X2) is set ON to indicate that a check code has been stored to the set value check code area.



3.6 Function Block Diagram

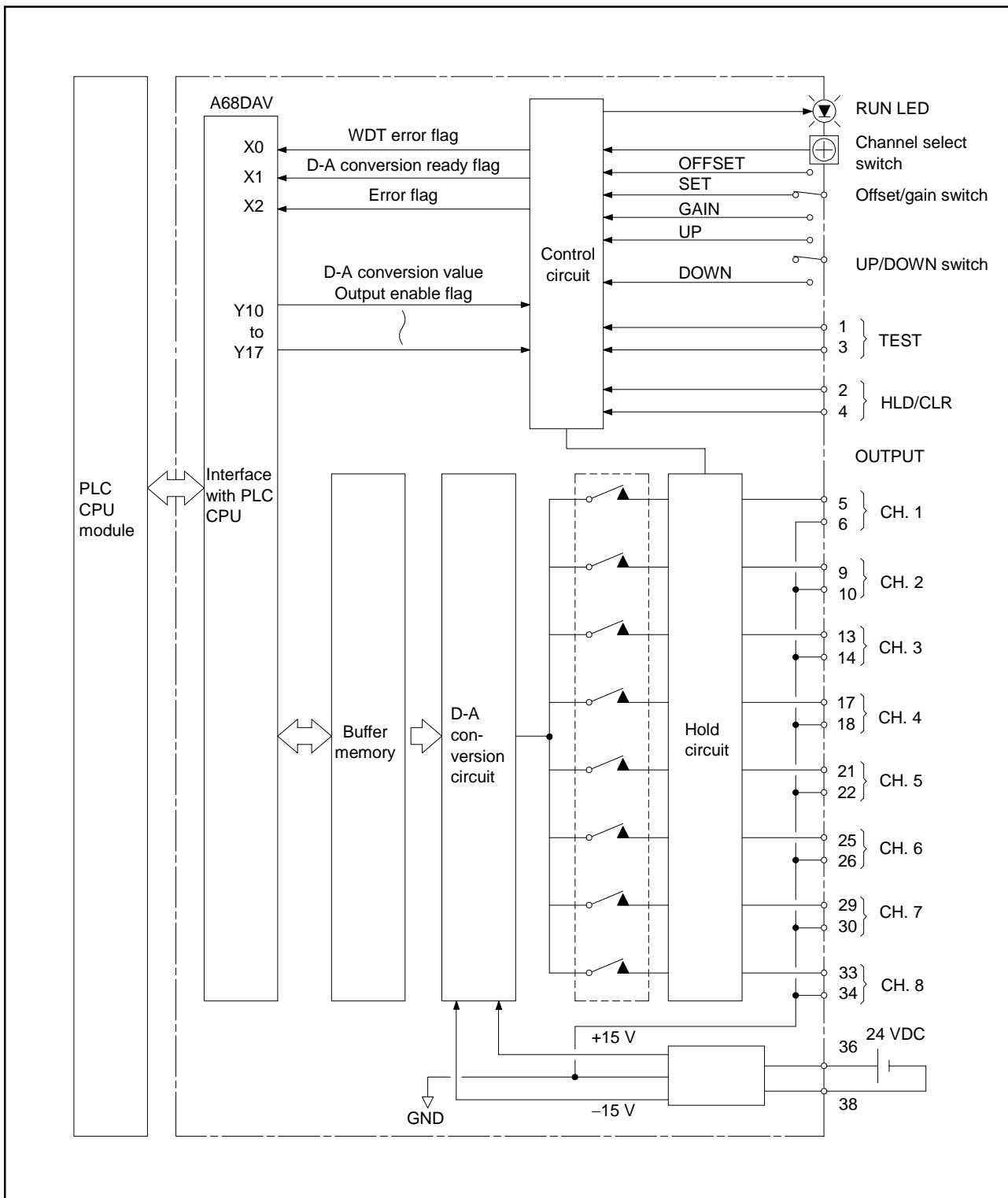


Fig. 3.7 A68DAV Function Block Diagram

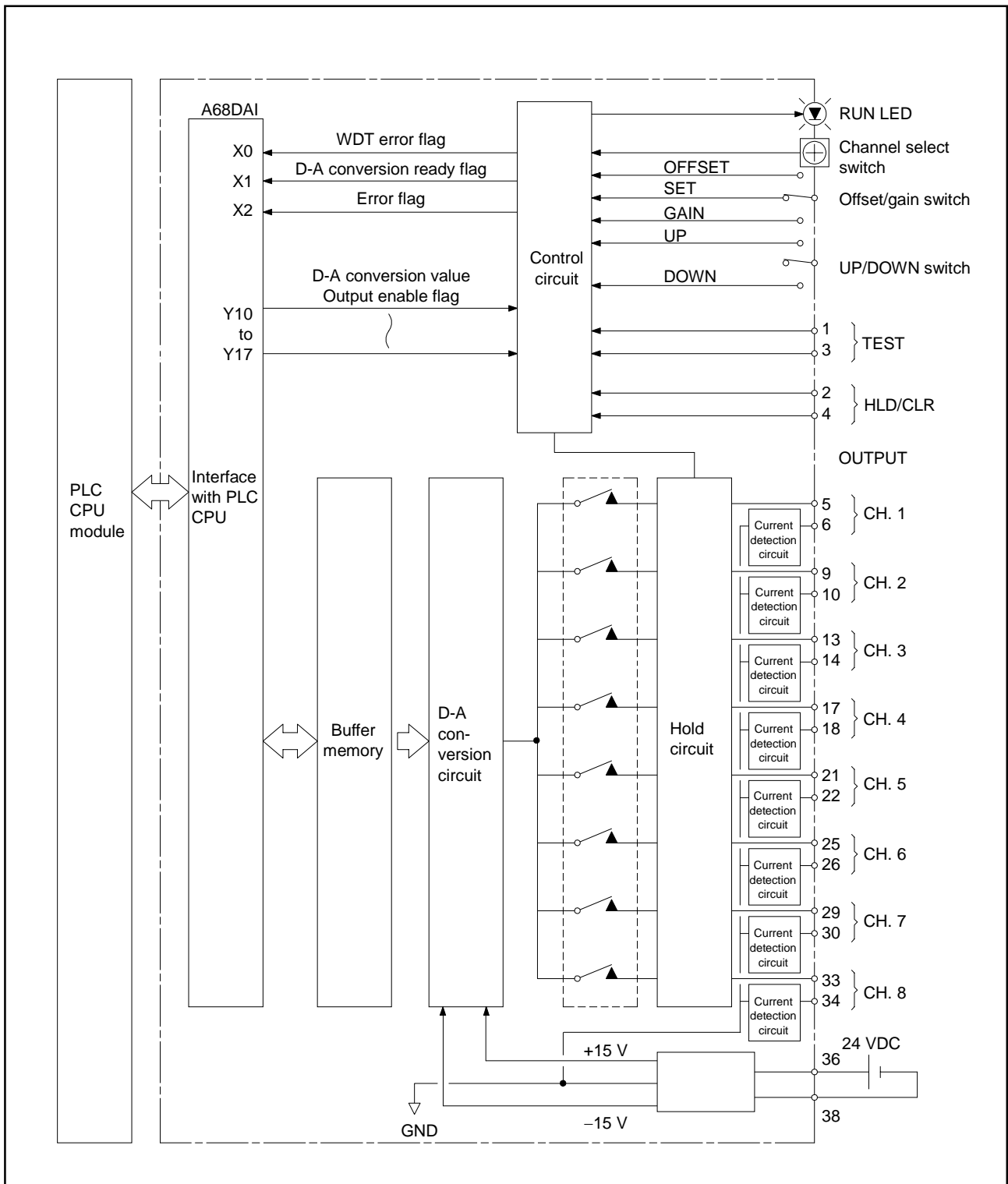


Fig. 3.8 A68DAI Function Block Diagram

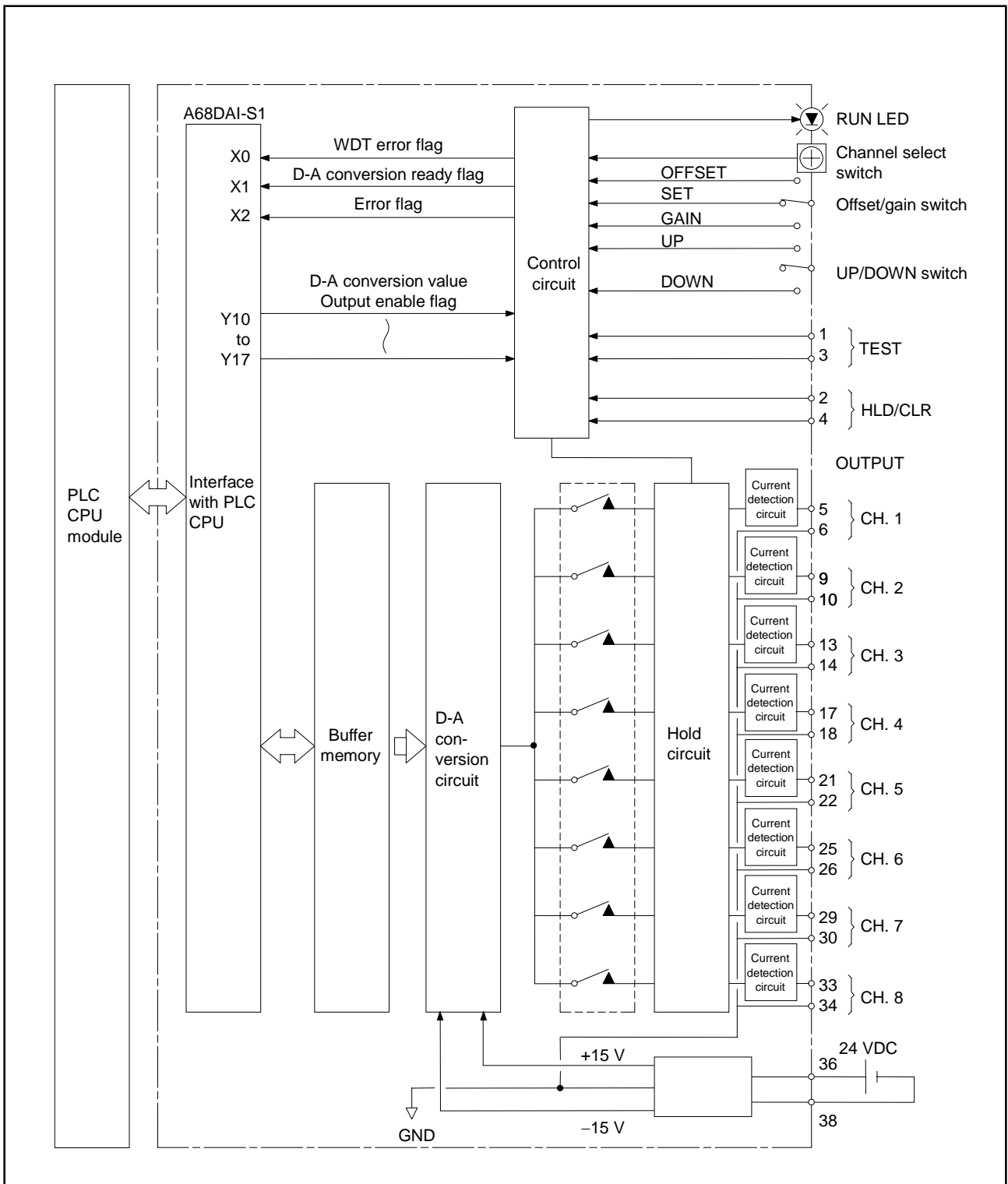


Fig. 3.9 A68DAI-S1 Function Block Diagram



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4.1 Pre-operation Procedure

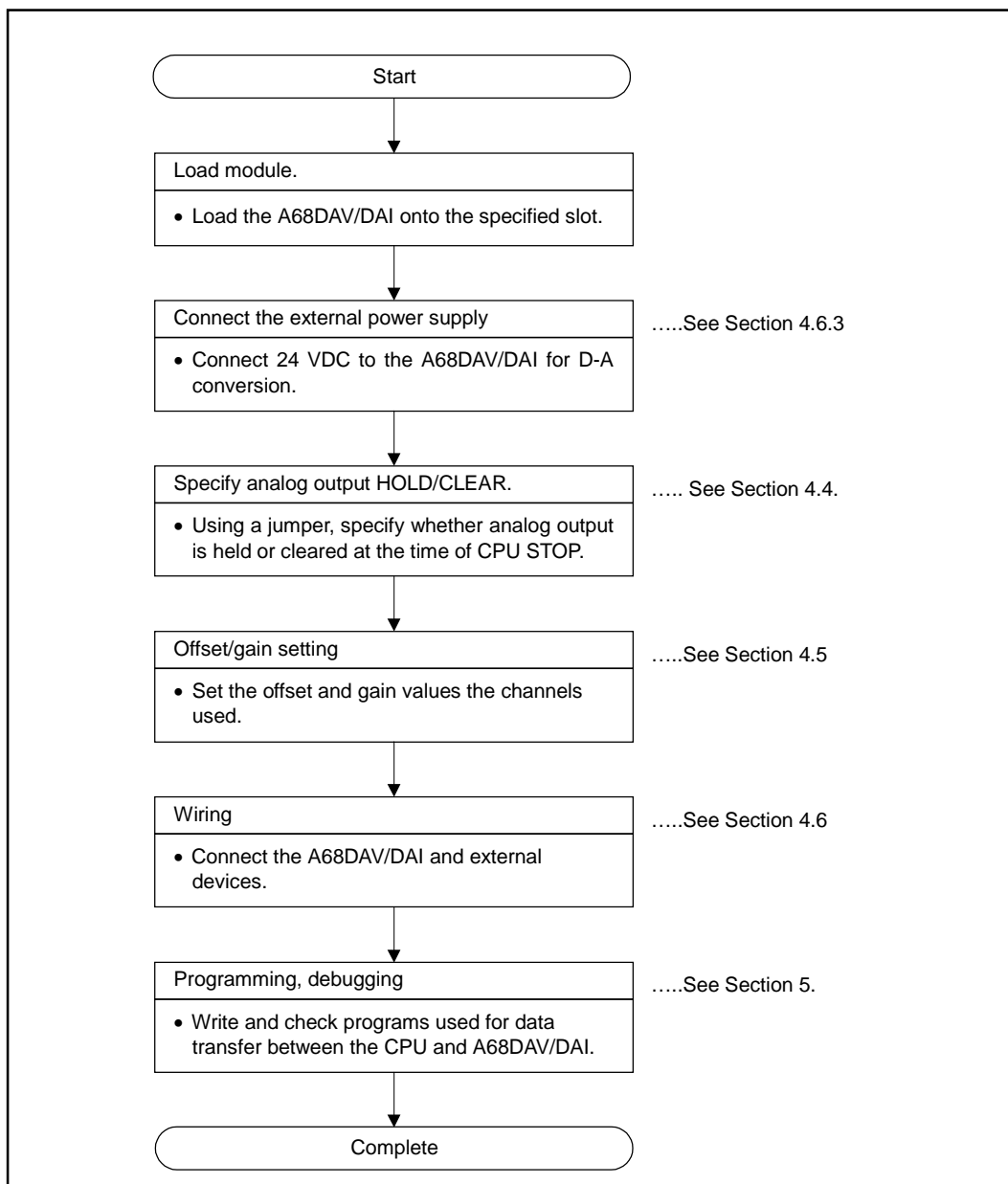


Fig. 4.1 Pre-operation Procedure

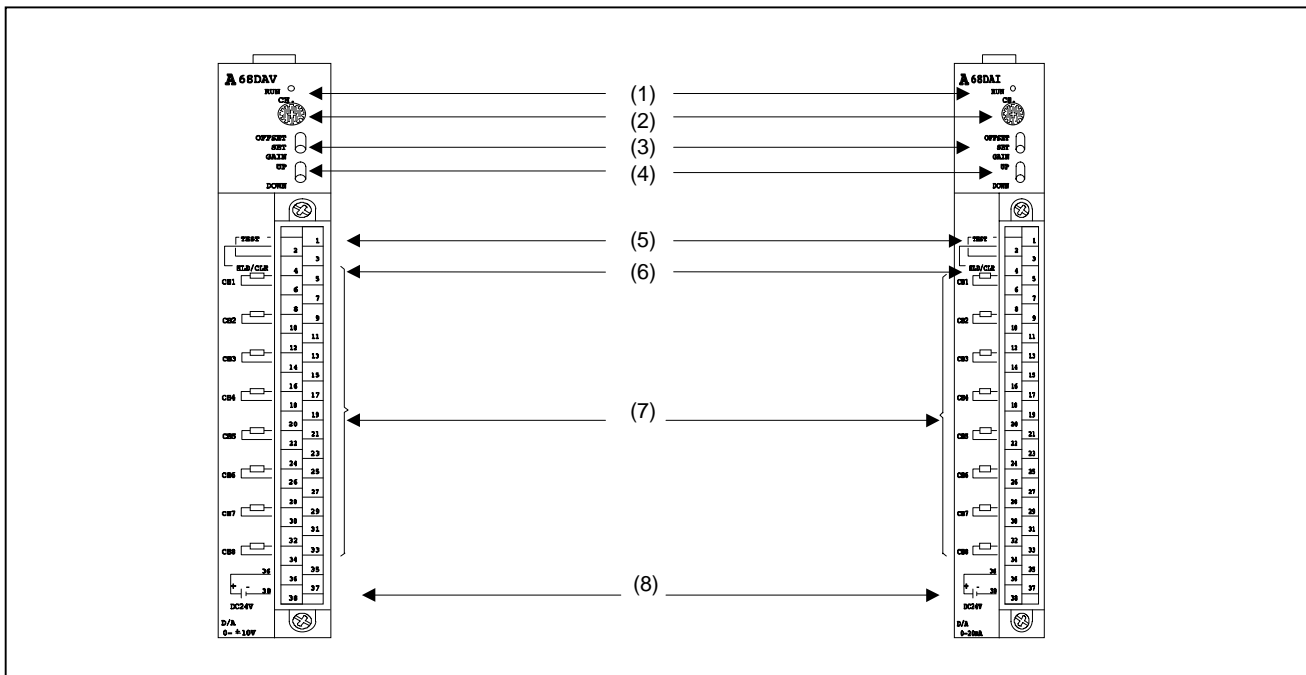
### 4.2 Handling Instructions

- (1) Protect the A68DAV/DAI and its terminal block from impact loads.
- (2) Do not remove the printed circuit boards from the housing. There are no user-serviceable parts on the boards.
- (3) Ensure that no conductive debris can enter the module. If it does, make sure that it is removed. Guard particularly against wire offcuts.
- (4) Tighten the screws as specified below:

Screw	Tightening Torque Range
I/O terminal screw (M3 screw)	39 to 59 N·cm
I/O terminal block installation screw (M4 screw)	78 to 118 N·cm

- (5) To load the module onto the base, press the module against the base so that the catch on the top of the unit is securely locked. To unload the module, push the catch, and after the catch is disengaged from the base, pull the module toward you.

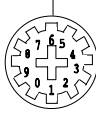
## 4.3 Nomenclature



No.	Description	Application
1	"RUN" LED	<p>Indicates the operating status of the A68DAV/DAI.</p> <p>(Normal mode)</p> <p>On..... • Indicates that the A68DAV/DAI is operating without fault.</p> <p>Off..... • 5 VDC is not supplied to the A68DAV/DAI.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A68DAV/DAI is in WDT error.</li> <li>• A68DAV/DAI hardware fault has occurred.</li> <li>• PLC CPU has detected an error and stopped operation.</li> </ul> <p>Flash..... • A write data error has occurred.</p> <p>(Test mode)</p> <p>Flash {</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0.5 s interval..... • OFFSET/GAIN select switch is in "OFFSET" or "GAIN" position.</li> <li>0.1 s interval..... • The high or low limit of the allowed range has been exceeded during offset/gain value setting using the UP/DOWN switch.</li> <li>• Offset value setting is greater than gain value setting using the UP/DOWN switch.</li> </ul> <p>Off..... • OFFSET/GAIN select switch is in "SET" position.</p>

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No.	Description	Application																				
2	Channel select switch CH. 	Used to specify the channel (CH.1 to CH.8) for offset/gain adjustment. Channels should be switched when the OFFSET/GAIN select switch is in "SET" position. Only valid in test mode. (Positions "0" and "9" are ineffective.)																				
3	OFFSET/GAIN select switch	Used to select any of the following modes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OFFSET position : Offset value calibration mode.</li> <li>• GAIN position : Gain value calibration mode.</li> <li>• SET position : Offset/gain value storage mode. (The offset/gain value is stored to the A68DAV/DAI internal memory when the switch is moved from "OFFSET"/"GAIN" to "SET".)</li> </ul>																				
4	UP/DOWN switch	Used to define the offset/gain value for the specified channel. Increases or decreases the offset or gain value at the following rate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UP/DOWN position for less than 1.5 seconds : Increase or decrease spell of 0.54 mV, 1.15 μA at one time.</li> <li>• UP/DOWN position for 1.5 seconds or more : Increase or decrease of 0.54 mV, 1.15 μA per 0.02 s.</li> </ul>																				
5	TEST mode terminals (terminal Nos. 1 and 3)	Used to select normal or test mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disconnected : Normal mode (to output analog values to external devices)</li> <li>• Connected : Test mode (to set offset/gain values)</li> </ul>																				
6	Analog output HOLD/CLEAR setting terminals (terminal Nos. 2 and 4)	Used to hold or clear analog output at the time of CPU stop. (See Section 4.4.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disconnected : CLEAR</li> <li>• Connected : HOLD</li> </ul>																				
7	Analog output terminals (CH.1 to CH.8)	Used to output an analog value after D-A conversion. <table border="1" data-bbox="497 1115 1444 1305"> <thead> <tr> <th>Channel</th> <th>Terminal No.</th> <th>Channel</th> <th>Terminal No.</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>5, 6</td> <td>5</td> <td>21, 22</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>9, 10</td> <td>6</td> <td>25, 26</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td> <td>13, 14</td> <td>7</td> <td>29, 30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4</td> <td>17, 18</td> <td>8</td> <td>33, 34</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Channel	Terminal No.	Channel	Terminal No.	1	5, 6	5	21, 22	2	9, 10	6	25, 26	3	13, 14	7	29, 30	4	17, 18	8	33, 34
Channel	Terminal No.	Channel	Terminal No.																			
1	5, 6	5	21, 22																			
2	9, 10	6	25, 26																			
3	13, 14	7	29, 30																			
4	17, 18	8	33, 34																			
8	Power terminals (terminal Nos. 36 and 38)	Input terminals for analog value output power supply (24 VDC).																				



### 4.4 HOLD/CLEAR Setting of Analog Output

This section explains how to define a HOLD/CLEAR setting of analog output when the CPU is in the STOP mode.

- (1) Use the HOLD/CLEAR terminal (on the front of the A68DAV/DAI module) to define the HOLD/CLEAR setting of analog output.

Table 4.1 describes the settings and their states.

**Table 4.1 HOLD/CLEAR Setting**

Analog Output Setting	State of HLD/CLR Terminal (Between Terminal Nos. 2 and 4)
HOLD	Connected
CLEAR	Not connected

The original(factory-set) analog output state is CLEAR(disconnected).

- (2) The analog output state by HOLD/CLEAR setting varies with settings of the D-A conversion value output enable flag (see Section 3.4.2) and the analog output enable/disable state (see Section 3.5.2).

Table 3.3 shows the analog output states for settings of the D-A conversion value output enable flag and the analog output enable/disable state. It also shows the analog output state when the CPU is in the RUN mode.

### 4.5 Offset/Gain Setting

- (1) The offset and gain values are factory-set to output the voltages indicated in Table 4.2.

**Table 4.2 Factory-set Offset/Gain Values**

	A68DAV	A68DAI
Gain value	10 V	20 mA
Offset value (V)	0 V	4 mA

- (2) The offset and gain values may be changed and fine-adjusted by offset/gain setting in test mode.

#### 4.5.1 Notes on offset/gain setting

- (1) Do not select test mode during execution of D-A conversion. Selecting test mode stops D-A conversion of all channels and affects control of external devices. Returning from test mode to normal resumes D-A conversion with new offset/gain values.
- (2) Offset/gain setting is allowed within the following ranges:
- (a) A68DAV : -10 V to 0 V to + 10 V
  - (b) A68DAI : -0 mA to 20 mA

If any value set is outside the above range, overall accuracy may not be within the range of performance specifications (see Section 3.2).

- (3) The defined value is stored when the OFFSET/GAIN select switch is set to the "SET" position.

The offset and gain value remain unchanged if test mode is terminated with the OFFSET/GAIN select switch in the "OFFSET" or "GAIN" position.

- (4) Before switching from one channel to another in test mode, the OFFSET/GAIN select switch should be set to the "SET" position.

If the channel remains unchanged and the set value is stored to the new channel when the switch is set to "OFFSET" or "GAIN".

- (5) The "RUN" LED flickers fast at intervals of 0.1 seconds to indicates that the offset/gain specified has exceeded the allowed range.

When the "RUN" LED is flickering fast, the offset/gain value remains unchanged if the OFFSET/GAIN select switch is set to "SET".

4.5.2 Offset/gain setting procedure

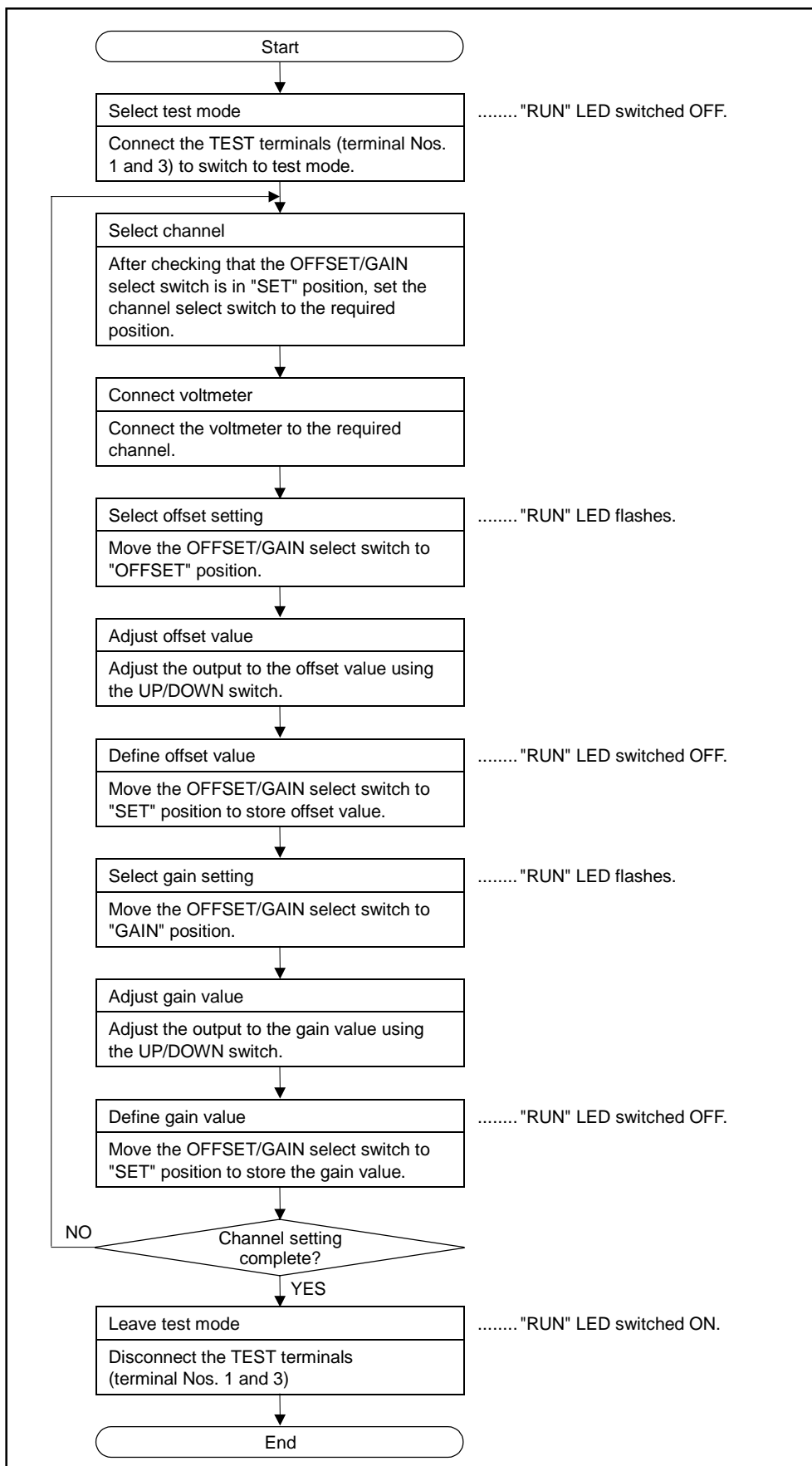


Fig.4.2 Offset/Gain Setting Procedure

## 4.6 Wiring

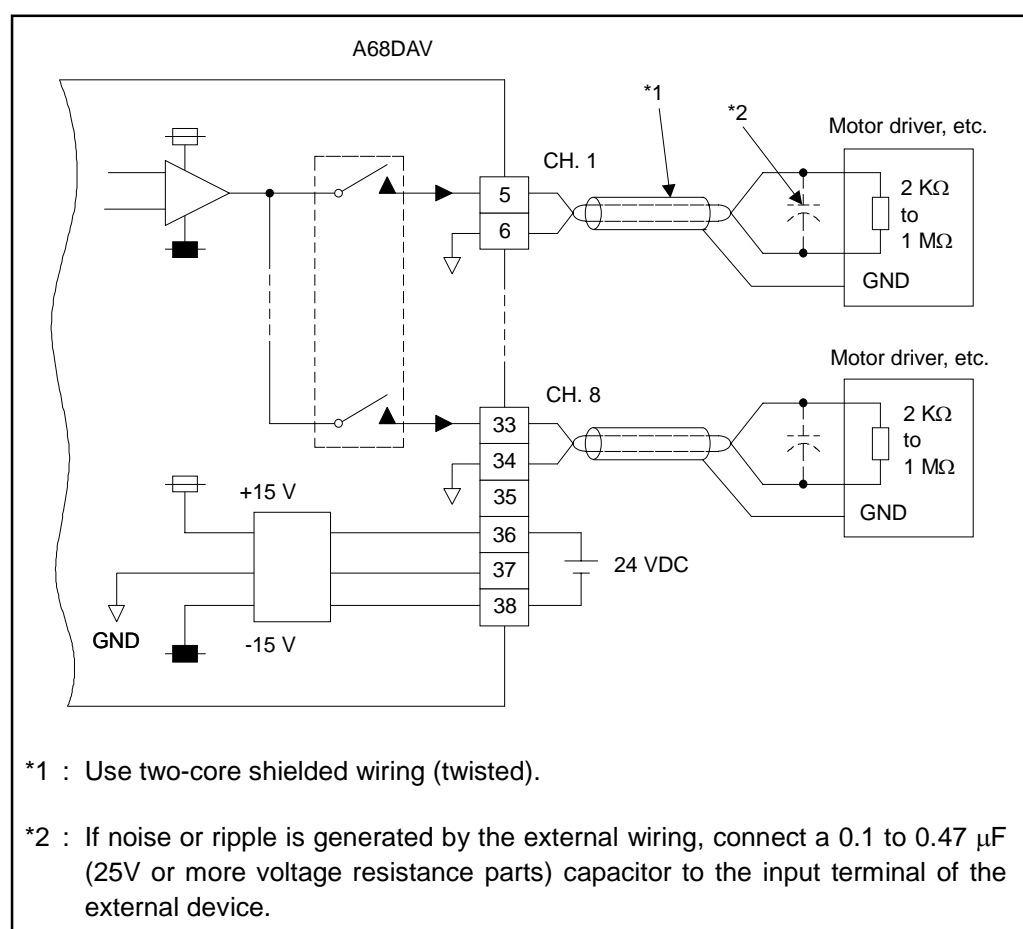
### 4.6.1 Wiring instructions

Protect external wiring against noise with the following precautions:

- (1) Separate AC and DC wiring.
- (2) Separate main circuit and/or high voltage wiring from control and signal wiring.
- (3) Where applicable, ground the shielding of all wires to a common ground point.

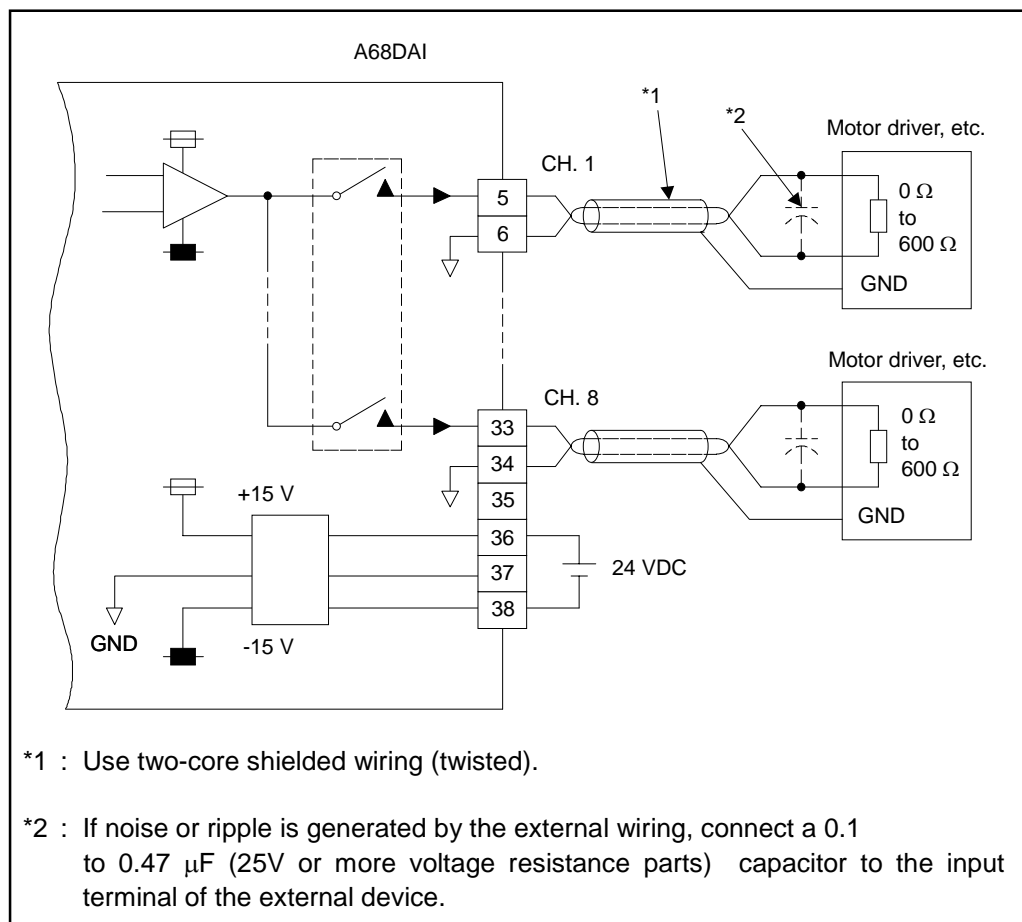
### 4.6.2 Connection of A68DAV/DAI/DAI-S1 and external devices

- (1) Connection Example of A68DAV and External Devices



**Fig. 4.3 Connection Example of A68DAV and External Devices**

## (2) Connection Example of A68DAI/A68DAI-S1 and External Devices



**Fig. 4.4 Connection Example of A68DAI /A68DAI-S1 and External Devices**

**IMPORTANT**

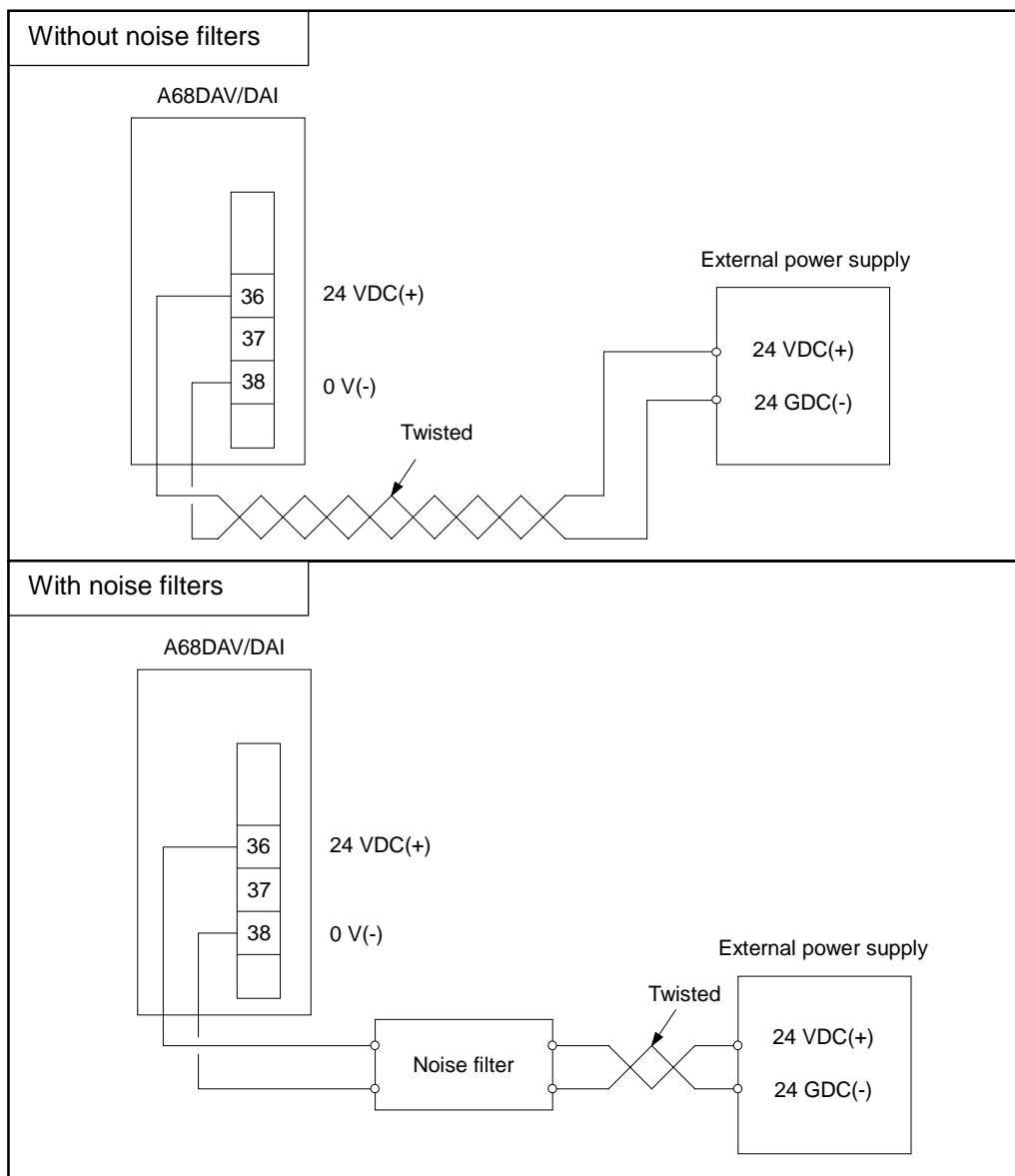
(1) When using the A68DAI, never route a common jumper on the side with the external device.  
 If wiring is not routed independently for each channel to the module as shown above, proper amperage output will not be attained.  
 When using the A68DAI-S1, a common jumper on the side with the external device can be routed.

(2) If a A68DAI-S1 inductor component load is continued, normal output may not be attained.

## 4.6.3 Connection of 24 VDC to the A68DAV/DAI

The following describes the method of supplying +24 VDC to the A68DAV/DAI.

- (1) To connect the external power supply, twisted-wire pair cable should be used to avoid electromagnetic inductive noise.
- (2) When the external power supply is used, it is recommended to use noise filters with the A68DAV/DAI.



### POINT

- (1) The cables between the noise filters and A68DAV/DAI must not be bundled with any other cable.
- (2) The cables between the noise filters and A68DAV/DAI must be as short as possible.

5. PROGRAMMING

5.1 Programming Procedure

Program data transfer between the CPU and A68DAV/DAI as indicated in Fig. 5.1. When utilizing the program example introduced in this chapter for an actual system, fully verify that there are no problems in the controllability of the target system.

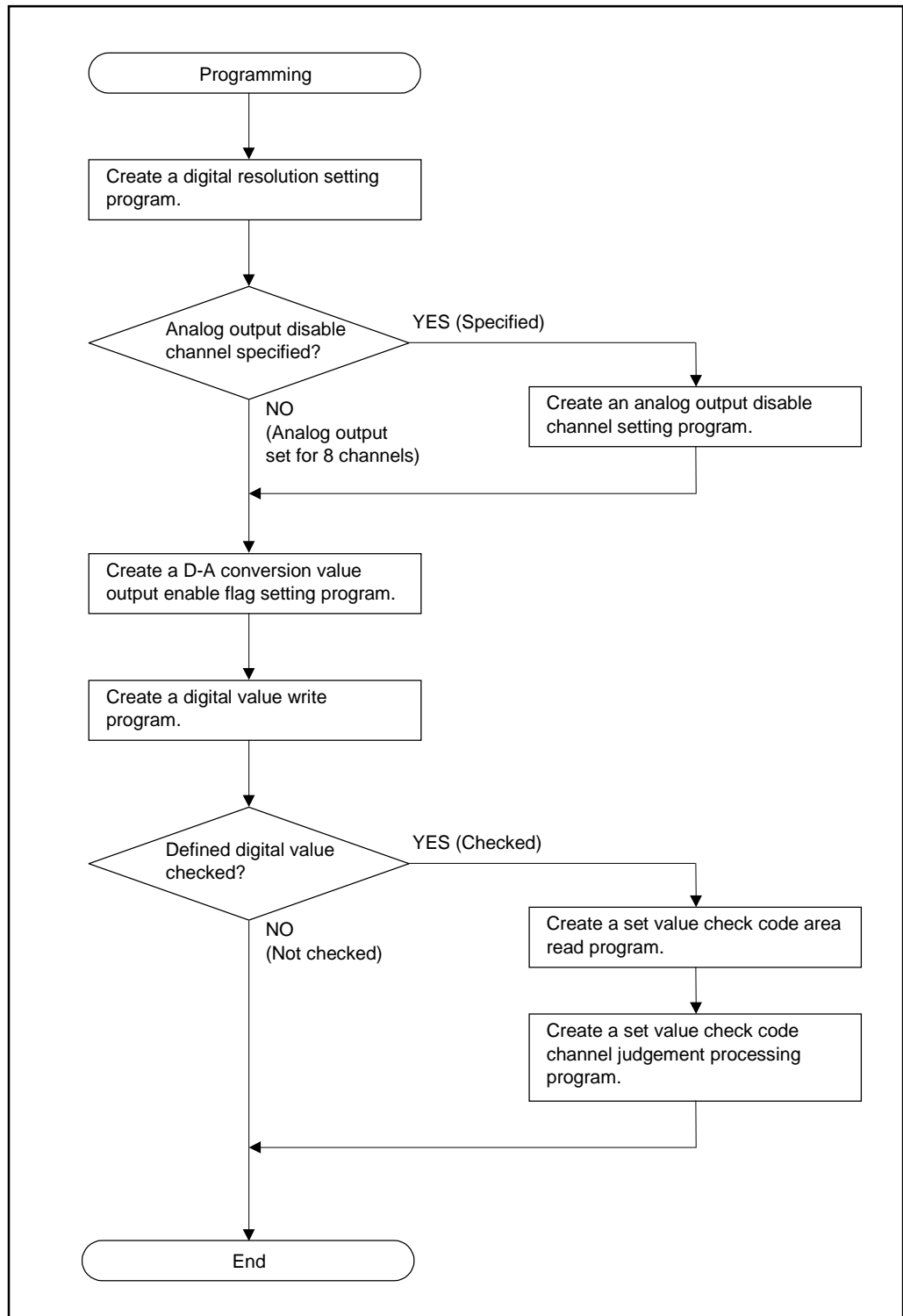


Fig.5.1 Programming Procedure

5.2 Sample Program

This section explains the programming used with the A68DAV/DAI.

**IMPORTANT**

A FROM/TO instruction cannot be executed in the test mode. Use the D-A conversion ready signal as an interlock for any program that contains a FROM/TO instruction.

If a FROM/TO instruction is executed in the test mode, the set offset and/or gain values might be lost, or a CPU error occurs.

5.2.1 Digital value setting program

The following describes a program used to write a value (0 to 8000) to the digital value setting area (addresses 1 to 4 of the buffer memory) for channels 1 to 4 of the A68DAV/DAI. The value is set with a BCD digital switch.

**Programming conditions**

(1) System configuration

Power supply module	A 3 N C P U	A X 42  (64 points)	A Y 42  (64 points)	A 68 D A (V/I)		
		X00 to X3F	Y40 to Y7F	X/Y80 to X/Y9F	} ..... I/O number	

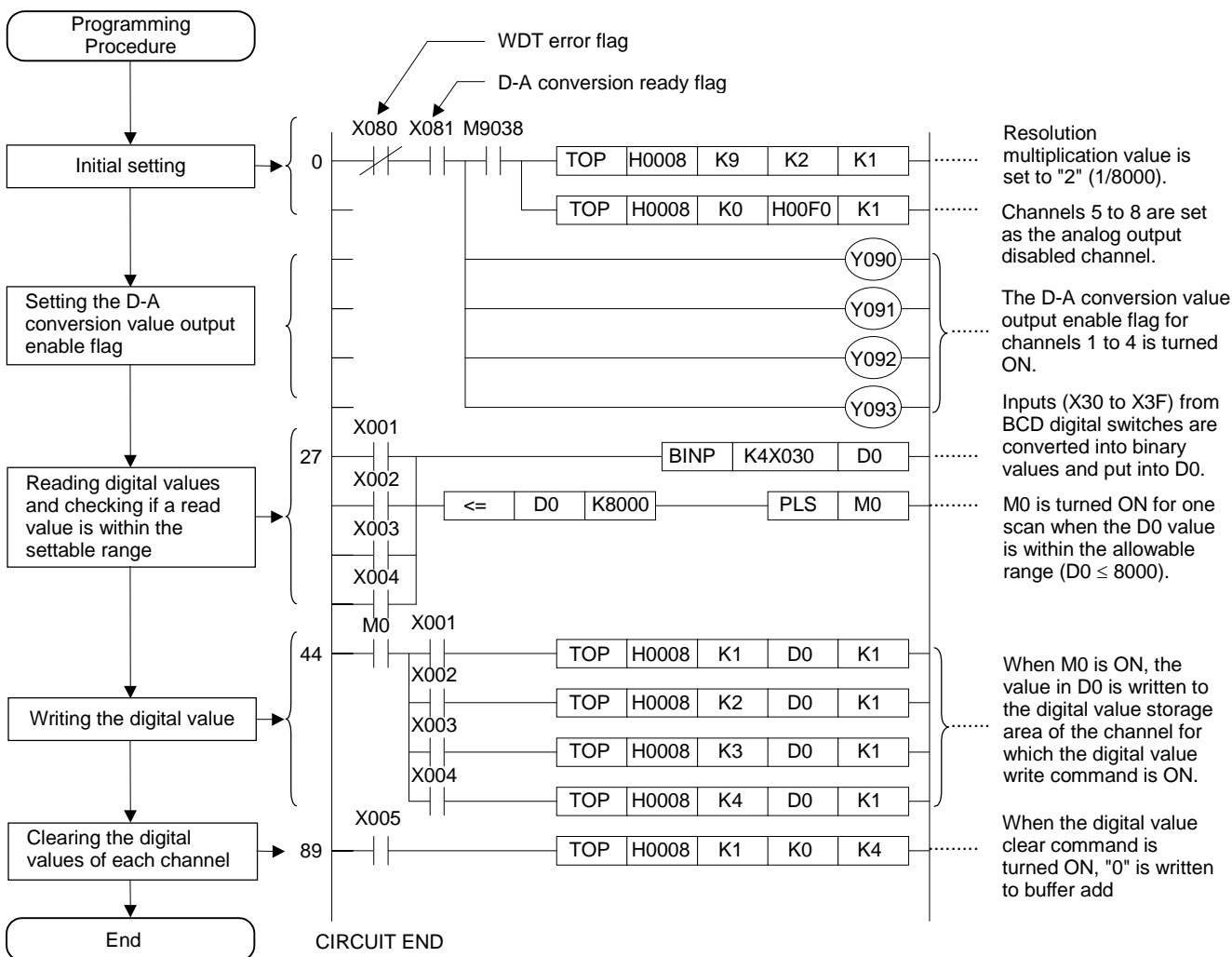
(2) Initial settings

- (a) Digital value resolution ..... "2" (1/8000)
- (b) Analog output disable channel ..... CH.5, 6, 7, 8

(3) Device for user

- (a) Digital value write command input signal
  - 1) Channel No.1 ..... X1
  - 2) Channel No.2 ..... X2
  - 3) Channel No.3 ..... X3
  - 4) Channel No.4 ..... X4
- (b) Setting of digital value (4 digits in the BCD code) ..... X30 to X3F
- (c) Digital value clear command ..... X5
- (d) Digital value storage register ..... D0





**POINT**

During each of the processes of the special function module, access from the PLC CPU will have priority. Accordingly, if frequent access to the buffer memory of the special function module made from the PLC CPU, it will not only extend the scan time of the PLC CPU, delays in each of the processes of the special function module will occur. Only use the FROM/TO and other such commands to access the buffer memory from the PLC CPU when necessary.

### 5.2.2 Program for the A68DAV/DAI loaded in remote I/O station

The following program is used to write a value (0 to 8000) defined by the BCD digital switch to channels 1 to 4 (addresses 1 to 4 of buffer memory) of the A68DAV/DAI in a remote I/O station.

#### **Cautions on programming**

(1) Data transfer method

The CPU has direct and refresh I/O control modes. Data transfer between the CPU and remote I/O station is made in batch refresh mode after execution of the END (FEND) instruction.

(2) Response delay

A time difference (response delay) occurs because control data transferred between the master station CPU and remote I/O station A68DAV/DAI is controlled through the link module. Control timing must therefore be noted.

(3) Instructions used

The following instructions are used for data transfer between the master station CPU and remote I/O station A68DAV/DAI.

(a) Data write (master station to A68DAV/DAI) : RTOP instruction

(b) Data read (A68DAV/DAI to master station) : RFRP instruction

(4) Device for data transfer

Link registers (W) are used for data transfer between the master station CPU and remote I/O station A68DAV/DAI. Write either of both of the following programs to the master station as appropriate:

(a) Data write : Program which transfers data (to be transferred to the remote I/O station A68DAV/DAI) to the specified link registers before execution of the RTOP instruction.

(b) Data read : Program which transfers data from the link registers to the other device after execution of the RFRP instruction.

(5) Disable simultaneous execution of RTOP and RFRP instructions

The RTOP and RFRP instructions cannot be executed at the same time to one A68DAV/DAI. To enable simultaneous execution, data link I/O signals must be written in the program as interlock conditions.

(When two A68DAV/DAI are loaded in the remote I/O station, the RTOP instruction may be executed to one A68DAV/DAI and the RFRP instruction to the other at the same time.)

## (6) Control signals to the A68DAV/DAI

Because of the relation between the master station scan time and link scan time, the PLS Y[ ] signal output to the remote I/O station may not be provided to the A68DAV/DAI.

The pulse output which executes the RST instruction after the SET instruction cannot be used because data is transferred between the master station and remote I/O station in batch refresh mode after execution of the END (FEND) instruction.

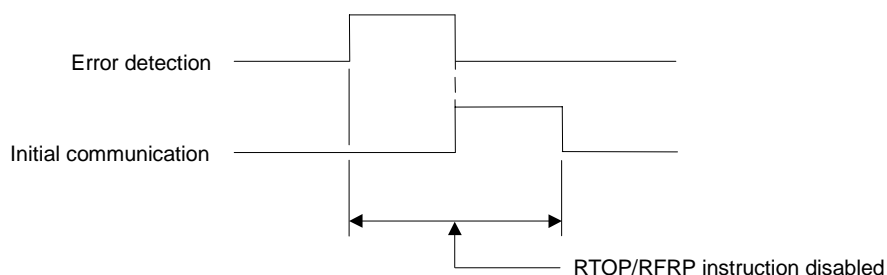
## (7) Detection of remote I/O station error or parameter communication

(a) Provide interlock using the following devices so that the RTOP/RFRP instruction is not executed when the remote I/O station is faulty or during initial communication with the remote I/O station.

1) Remote I/O station error detection : D9228 to D9231

2) Initial communication detection : D9224 to D9227

The remote I/O station error and initial communication detection timings are as shown below:



(b) The error detection program must be written before the initial communication detection program.

If these programs are written in reverse order, neither error nor initial communication may be detected depending on the link refresh timing.

## (8) A68DAV/DAI error detection

(a) X1D is switched ON to indicate that the A68DAV/DAI is faulty and the RFRP/RTOP instruction cannot be executed. In this case, check the A68DAV/DAI for A68DAV/DAI fault, module loading error, etc.

(b) Switch ON YD to switch OFF X1D

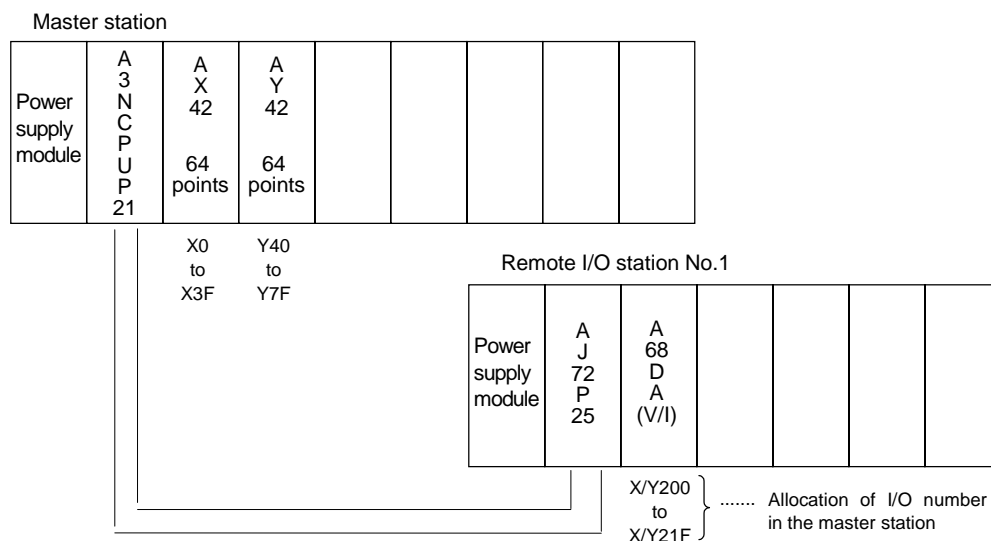
YD must only be switched ON/OFF as described below by using the SET/RST instruction:

1) Switched ON when X1D is switched ON.

2) Switched OFF only once when X1D is switched OFF.

**Programming condition**

(1) System configuration



(2) Initial settings

- (a) Digital value resolution ..... "2" (1/8000)
- (b) Analog output disable channel ..... CH.5, 6, 7, 8

(3) Device for user

- (a) Initial setting command input signal ..... X0
- (b) Digital value write command input signal
  - 1) Channel No.1 ..... X1
  - 2) Channel No.2 ..... X2
  - 3) Channel No.3 ..... X3
  - 4) Channel No.4 ..... X4
- (c) Setting of digital value (4 digits in the BCD code ) ..... X30 to X3F
- (d) Digital value clear command ..... X5
- (e) Start/completion signal of each processing ..... M0 to M16
- (f) Data storage register at an error detection ..... D0, D1
- (g) Initial setting data register
  - 1) Resolution value register ..... W101
  - 2) Analog output enable/disable channel setting data register ..... W102
- (h) Digital value register
  - 1) Channel No.1 ..... W111
  - 2) Channel No.2 ..... W112

3) Channel No.3..... W113

4) Channel No.4..... W114

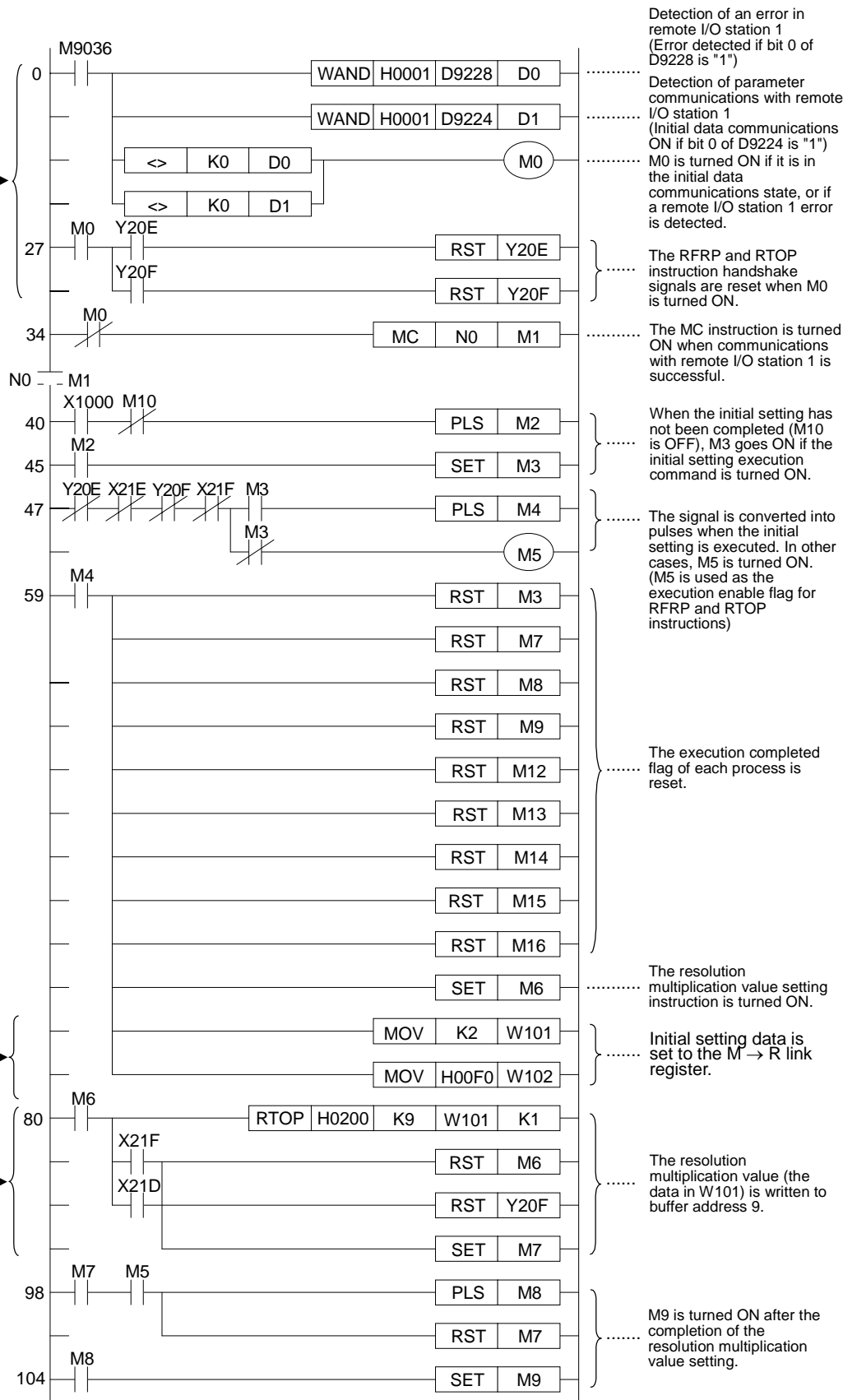
Programming Procedure

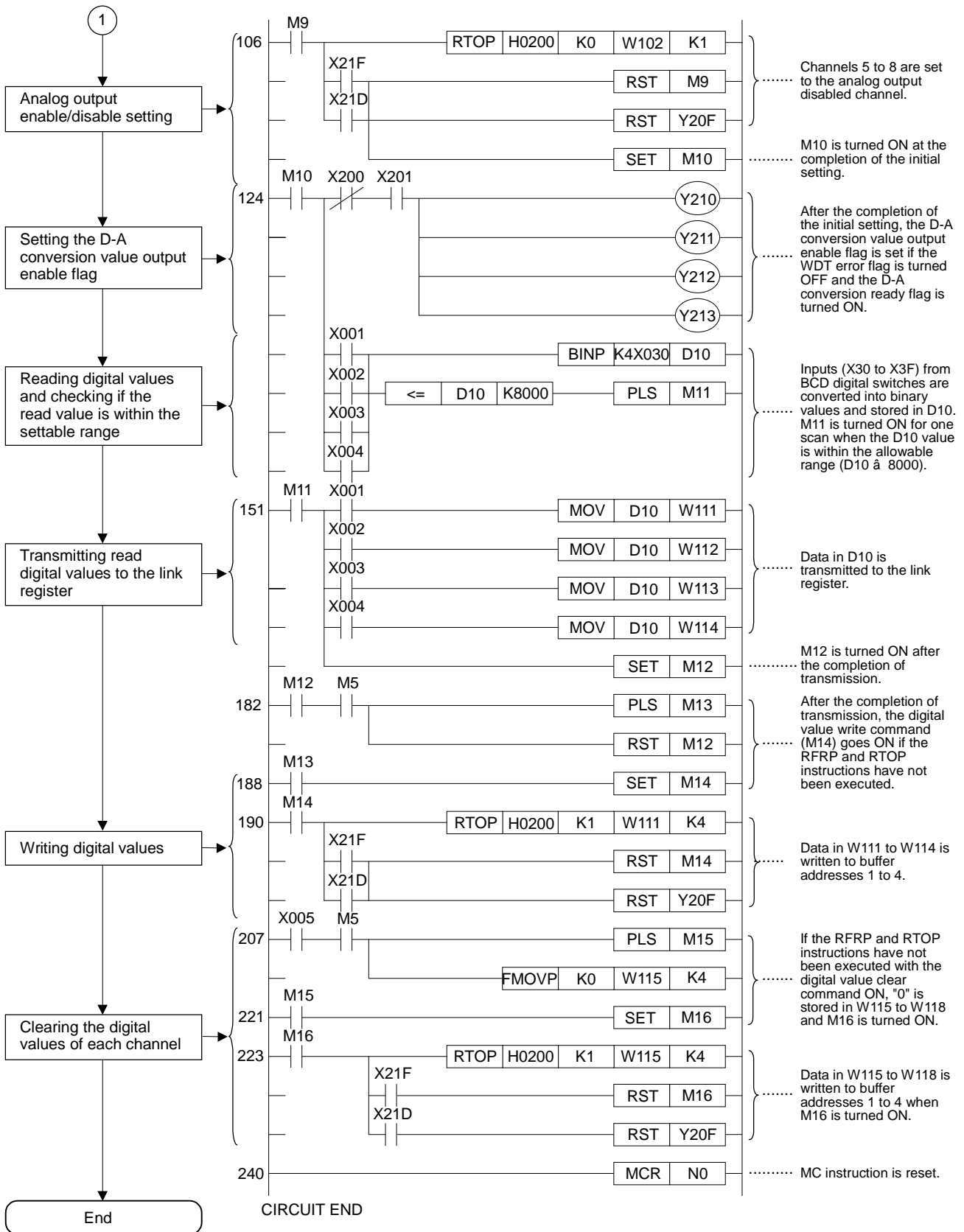
Detection of a remote I/O station error

Setting initial setting data

Writing a resolution multiplication value

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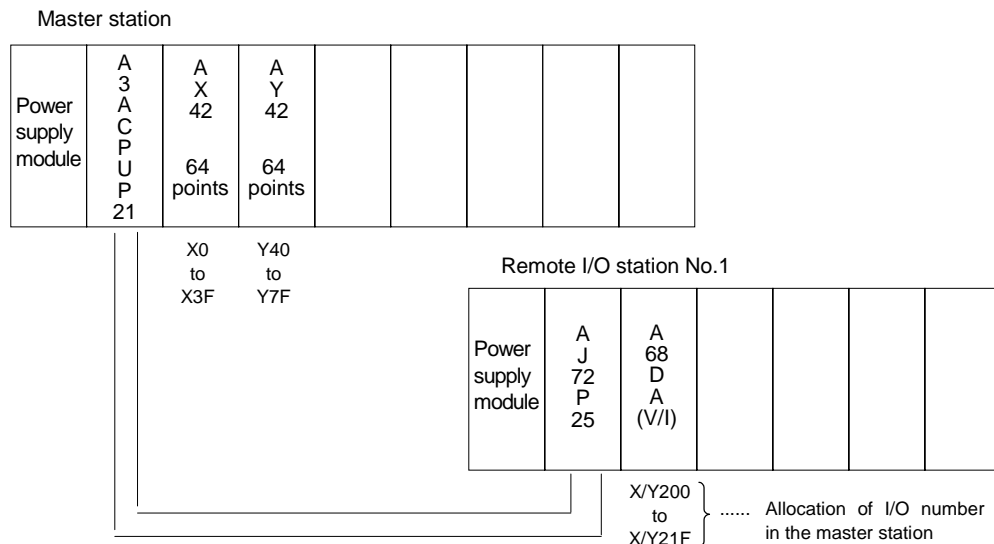


## 5.2.3 Program for the A68DAV/DAI loaded in remote I/O station (Use of the AnACPU dedicated instruction)

The following program is used to write a value (0 to 8000) defined by the BCD digital switch to channels 1 to 4 (addresses 1 to 4 of buffer memory) of the A68DAV/DAI in a remote I/O station when AnACPU dedicated instructions are used.

### Programming condition

#### (1) System configuration



#### (2) Initial settings

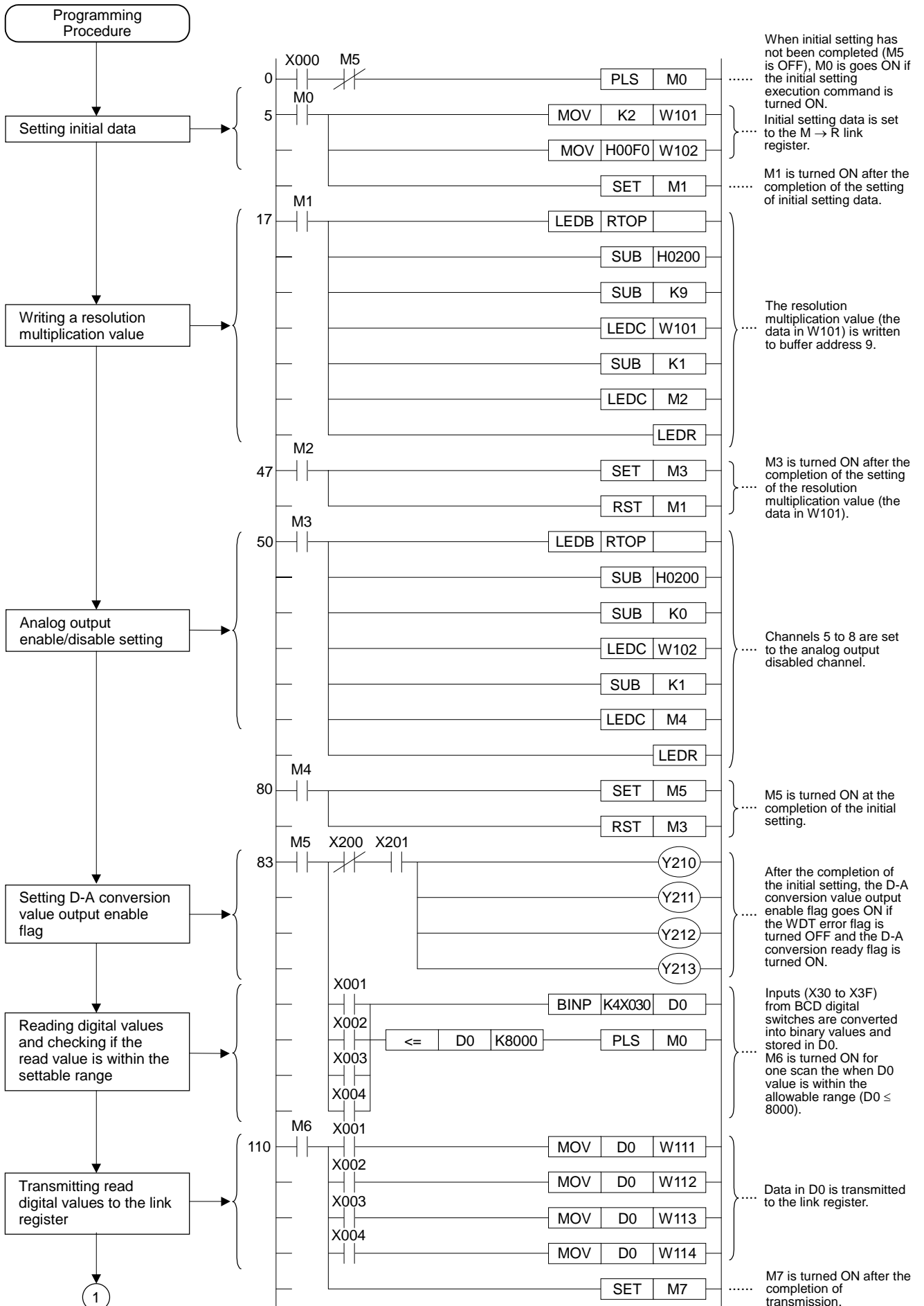
- (a) Digital value resolution ..... "2" (1/8000)
- (b) Analog output disable channel ..... CH.5, 6, 7, 8

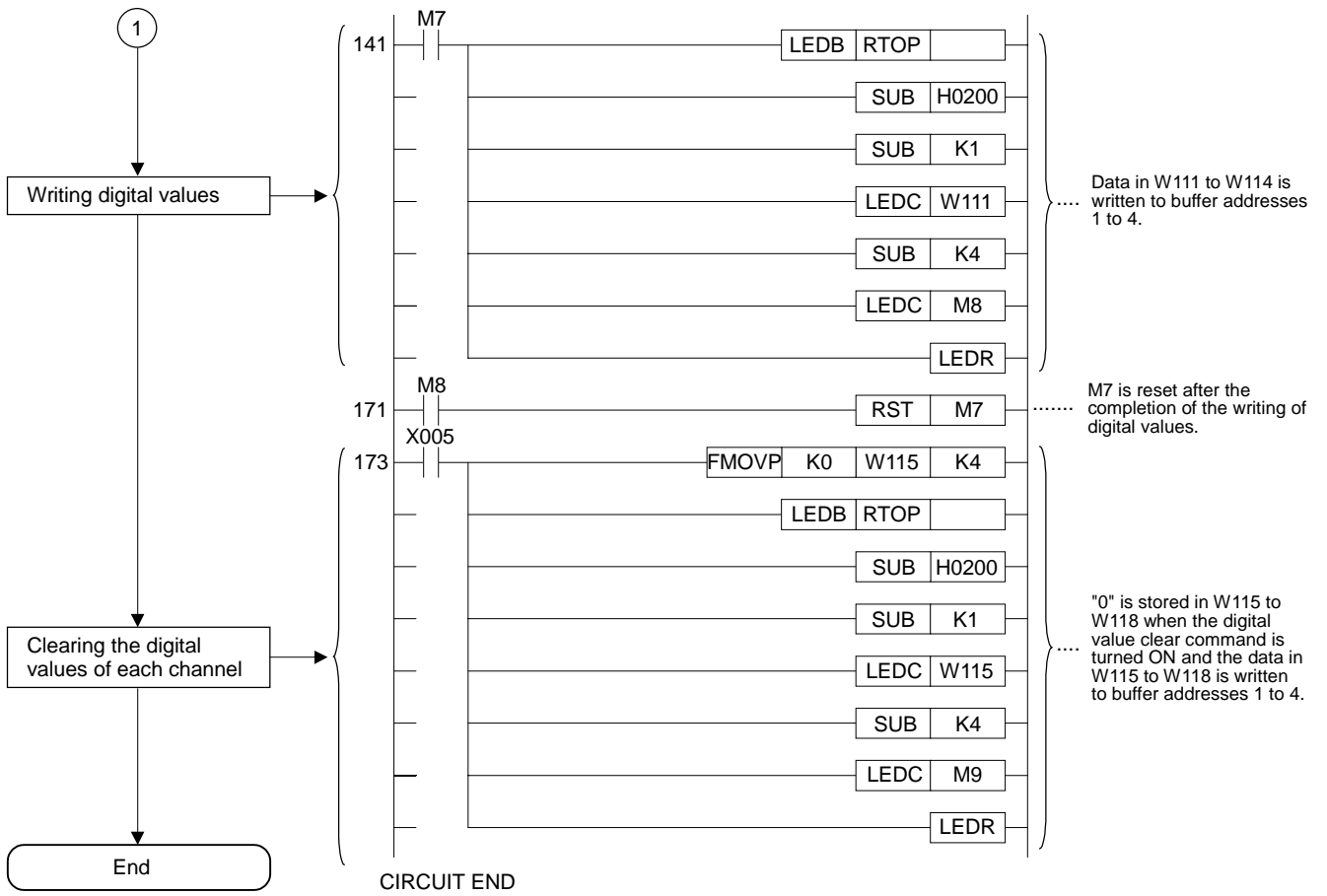
#### (3) Device for user

- (a) Initial setting command input signal ..... X0
- (b) Digital value write command input signal
  - 1) Channel No.1 ..... X1
  - 2) Channel No.2 ..... X2
  - 3) Channel No.3 ..... X3
  - 4) Channel No.4 ..... X4
- (c) Setting of digital value (4-digit in the BCD code ) ..... X30 to X3F
- (d) Digital value clear command ..... X5
- (e) Start/completion signal of each program ..... M0 to M9

- (f) Initial setting data storage link register
  - 1) Resolution value register ..... W101
  - 2) Analog output enable/disable  
channel setting data register ..... W102
- (g) Digital value read data register ..... D0
- (h) Digital value storage link register
  - 1) Channel No.1..... W111
  - 2) Channel No.2..... W112
  - 3) Channel No.3..... W113
  - 4) Channel No.4..... W114







## 6. TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem conditions and troubleshooting diagnoses for the A68DAV/DAI are given below. For information on the CPU module, see the corresponding CPU User's Manual.

### 6.1 When the RUN LED Flashes or Goes OFF

(1) When the RUN LED goes OFF:

Items to Check	Corrective Actions
Are the TEST terminals shorted? (Test mode)	Cancel the test mode by opening the TEST terminals.
Has an error occurred in the CPU module?	Refer to the appropriate User's Manual for error information, and correct the error
Is the power supply module (5 VDC) installed to the base unit not getting enough current?	Recalculate the total amperage for the CPU, I/O module, and special function module installed to the base unit, and replace the power supply module based on that calculation.
Is the A68DAV/DAI WDT error flag set?	Reset the CPU module.

(2) When the RUN LED flashes:

Items to Check	Corrective Actions
Has a digital value outside the set range been written?	Clear the set value check code storage area using the error reset flag.
Are the TEST terminals closed (test mode) with the offset/gain switch placed in either "OFFSET" or "GAIN"?	After setting the offset or gain value, open the TEST terminals.
Does the LED flash at 0.1 s intervals when in the test mode?	Make offset/gain setting within an allowable range.

### 6.2 When the Analog Value is 0 V/0 mA

(1) When the values of all channels are 0 V/0 mA:

Items to Check	Corrective Actions
Is the RUN LED of the A68DAV/DAI turned OFF?	Follow procedures in Section 6.1.
Is the WDT error flag set?	Follow procedures in Section 6.7.
Is the D-A conversion ready flag set?	Follow procedures in Section 6.8.
Is the channel set as the analog output enabled/disabled channel?	Set the channel to be used as the analog output enabled/disabled channel.
Is a digital value written to the digital value setting area (addresses 1 to 8) in the buffer?	Write the digital value to the channel used for D-A conversion (see Sections 3.5.3 and 5.2.).

(2) When the value of a given channel is 0 V/0 mA:

Items to Check	Corrective Actions
Is the analog output enable/disable channel with its "0 V/0 mA" analog value set to disable?	Confirm the data set in the analog output enable/disable channel setting area of the buffer memory. (Refer to Section 3.5.2.)
Is the digital value of the channel with its "0 V/0 mA" analog value written in the digital value setting area of the buffer memory?	Write the digital value. (Refer to Section 3.5.3.)
Is the external wiring done correctly?	Make sure the external wiring is correct.

### 6.3 When Analog Values are Offset Values

(1) When the analog values of all channels are offset values:

Items to Check	Corrective Actions
Are the TEST terminals shorted? (Test mode)	Cancel the test mode by opening the TEST terminals.
Is the RUN key switch of the CPU module set to a position other than "RUN"?	Set the switch to the RUN position
Is the D-A conversion output enable flag of each channel OFF?	Turn ON the D-A conversion output enable flag of the channel to be used.
Is the digital value setting area (addresses 1 to 8) of the buffer memory?	Write the digital values of the channel to be converted from digital to analog. (Refer to Sections 3.5.3 and 5.2 )

(2) When the analog value of a given channel is an offset value:

Items to Check	Corrective Actions
Is the D-A conversion output enable flag OFF for the channel when the analog value is an offset value?	Turn ON the D-A conversion output enable flag.
Is the digital value of the channel whose analog value is an offset value written to the digital value setting area of the buffer memory?	Write the digital value. (Refer to Section 3.5.3.)

### 6.4 Analog Values are Output though the CPU Module is set to STOP

(1) When the analog output does not change after setting to STOP:

Items to Check	Corrective Actions
Are the HOLD/CLEAR setting terminals shorted(held)?	Open the HOLD/CLEAR setting terminals.

(2) When the analog output changes after setting to STOP:

Items to Check	Corrective Actions
Is the analog output set to offset value?	After checking the offset value setting, set the offset value again if 0 V/0 mA output is required.

### 6.5 When Digital and Analog Values do not Match

(1) When both digital values and analog values change:

Items to Check	Corrective Actions
Does the digital value match the analog value?	Correct the offset/gain values.
Are the A68DAV/A68DAI and external devices properly wired?	Make sure the wiring between the A68DAV/A68DAI and the external devices is correct.
Is the 24 VDC external power supply getting enough current?	Recalculate the total amperage for the module installed to the base unit, and replace the power supply module based on that calculation.

(2) When the digital value changes and the analog value is fixed:

Items to Check	Corrective Actions
Is 24 VDC power being supplied?	Check the external power supply.
Is the RUN key switch of the CPU module set to a position other than "RUN"?	Set the switch to the RUN position.

### 6.6 WDT Error Flag is Set

Item to Check	Corrective Actions
Is the WDT setting time shorter than the sequence program scan time?	Change the WDT setting time to conform to the sequence program scan time.
Is the sequence program correct?	Check if the sequence program contains an infinite loop.

### 6.7 D-A Conversion READY Flag is Reset

Items to Check	Corrective Actions
Are the TEST terminals closed (test mode)?	Cancel test mode by opening the TEST terminals.
Is there an error in the CPU module?	See the corresponding User's Manual for respective CPU module for error information. Correct the error.
Is there an I/O number error?	Confirm and correct the I/O number.

### 6.8 Error Flag is Set

Item to Check	Corrective Action
Is a value that is not "0" set in the setting value check code storage area (addresses 10 to 17) of the buffer memory?	Find out why a digital value outside the set range is written to the digital value setting area of the channel that corresponds to the non-zero set value check code storage area. Then, take corrective action and use the error reset flag to clear the set value check code storage area.

**POINT**

If all of the troubleshooting checks do not show problems, or if the prescribed corrective measures do not solve the problem, the A68DAV/DAI hardware might be faulty.

Consult a Mitsubishi representative.

APPENDICES

APPENDIX 1 Comparison with Other D-A Converter Modules

Table 1.1 shows the comparison of A68DAV/DAI and other D-A converter modules.

Table 1.1 Comparison List

Item		Specifications			
		A62DA	A62DA-S1	*1 A616DAV/A616DAI	*1 A68DAV/A68DAI
Digital input *2	Voltage	±2000	0 to +4000	-4000 to 4000	Maximum -12000 to 12000 (Varies according to resolution setting)
	Current	±1000		0 to 4000	Maximum 0 to 12000 (Varies according to resolution setting)
Analog output	Voltage	-10 to 0 to +10 VDC (External load resistance : 500 Ω to 1 MΩ)		-10 to 0 to 10 VDC/ -5 to 0 to 5 VDC (External load resistance: 2 KΩ to 1 MΩ)	-10 to 0 to 10 VDC (External load resistance: 2 KΩ to 1 MΩ)
	Current	-20 to 0 to 20 mADC (External load resistance: 0 Ω to 600 Ω)	0 to 20 mADC (External load resistance: 0 Ω to 600 Ω)	0 to 20 mADC (External load resistance: 0 Ω to 600 Ω)	
Maximum resolution	Voltage	5 mV (1/2000)	1 to 5 V : 1 mV (1/4000) 0 to 5 V : 1.25 mV (1/4000) 0 to 10 V : 2.5 mV (1/4000)	-10 to 0 to 10 V : 1.30 mV (1/4000) -5 to 0 to 5 V : 0.65 mV (1/4000)	2.5 mV (1/4000) 1.25 mV (1/8000) 0.83 mV (1/12000) } Selectable
	Current	20 μA (1/1000)	4 to 20 mA : 4 μA (1/4000) 0 to 20 mA : 5 μA (1/4000)	2.64 μA (1/4000)	5 μA (1/4000) 2.5 μA (1/8000) 1.6 μA (1/12000) } Selectable
Overall accuracy (Precision related to the maximum value)		Within ±1.0%		Within ±0.6%	Within ±1.0%
Number of channels of analog output		2 channels/module		16 channels/module	8 channels/module
Conversion time		Within 15 ms/2 channels (same with 1 channel)		0.5 ms/channel	Within 40 ms/8channels (same with 1 channel)
Absolute maximum output	Voltage	±12 V	0 to 12 V	±12 V	±12 V
	Current	±28 mA	0 to 28 mA	0 to 28 mA	0 to 28 mA
Conversion method		2-channel simultaneous scanning		Scanning by each channel	8 channels simultaneous scan method
Offset/Gain adjustment		Adjustable without using offset/gain adjusting knobs			
Insulation method	Between input terminal and PLC	Photocoupler insulation			
	Between channels	Not insulated			
Output HOLD/CLEAR setting at STOP of PLC		Disabled	Enabled		
Channel designation of D-A conversion		Batch designation of all channels with output enable flag		Designation by each channel by setting of analog output enable/disable channel	
Designation of D-A conversion enable/disable with output enable flag		Batch designation of all channels			Designation by each channel
External power supply	Voltage	24 VDC		±15 VDC	24 VDC
	Current	0.35 A		+15 V:0.2 A, -15 V:0.17 A (DAV)	0.2 A (DAV)
				+15 V:0.53 A, -15 V: 0.125 A (DAI)	0.4 A (DAI)

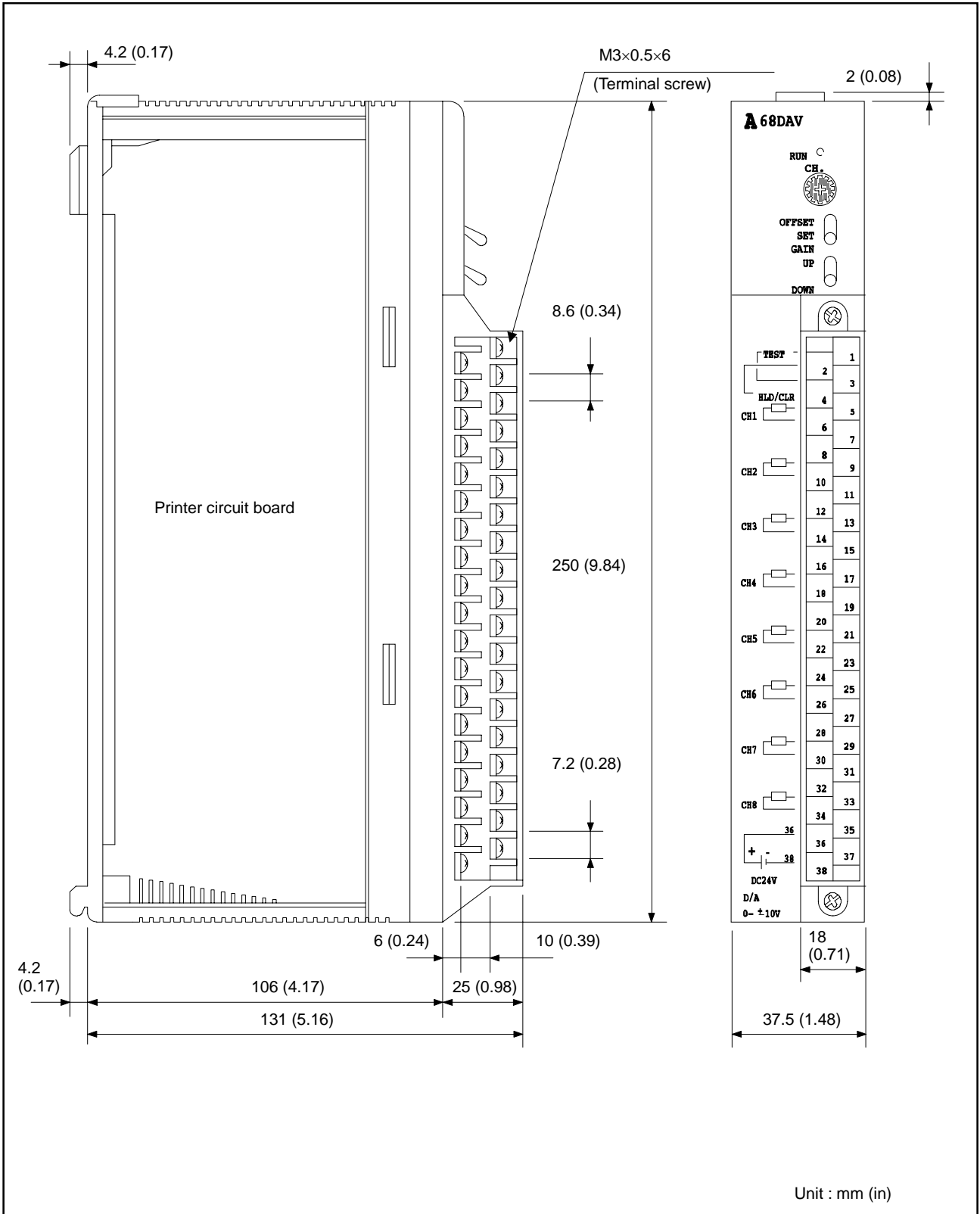
\*1 ——— In the columns of the A616DAV/A616DAI and A68DAV/A68DAI where the voltage and current areas are shown, values in the voltage area indicate specification of the voltage converter module (A[ ]DAV), and those in the current area indicate specification of the current converter module (A[ ]DAI).

\*2 ——— Digital input values that allow the analog output value of a practicable range to be obtained are specified.



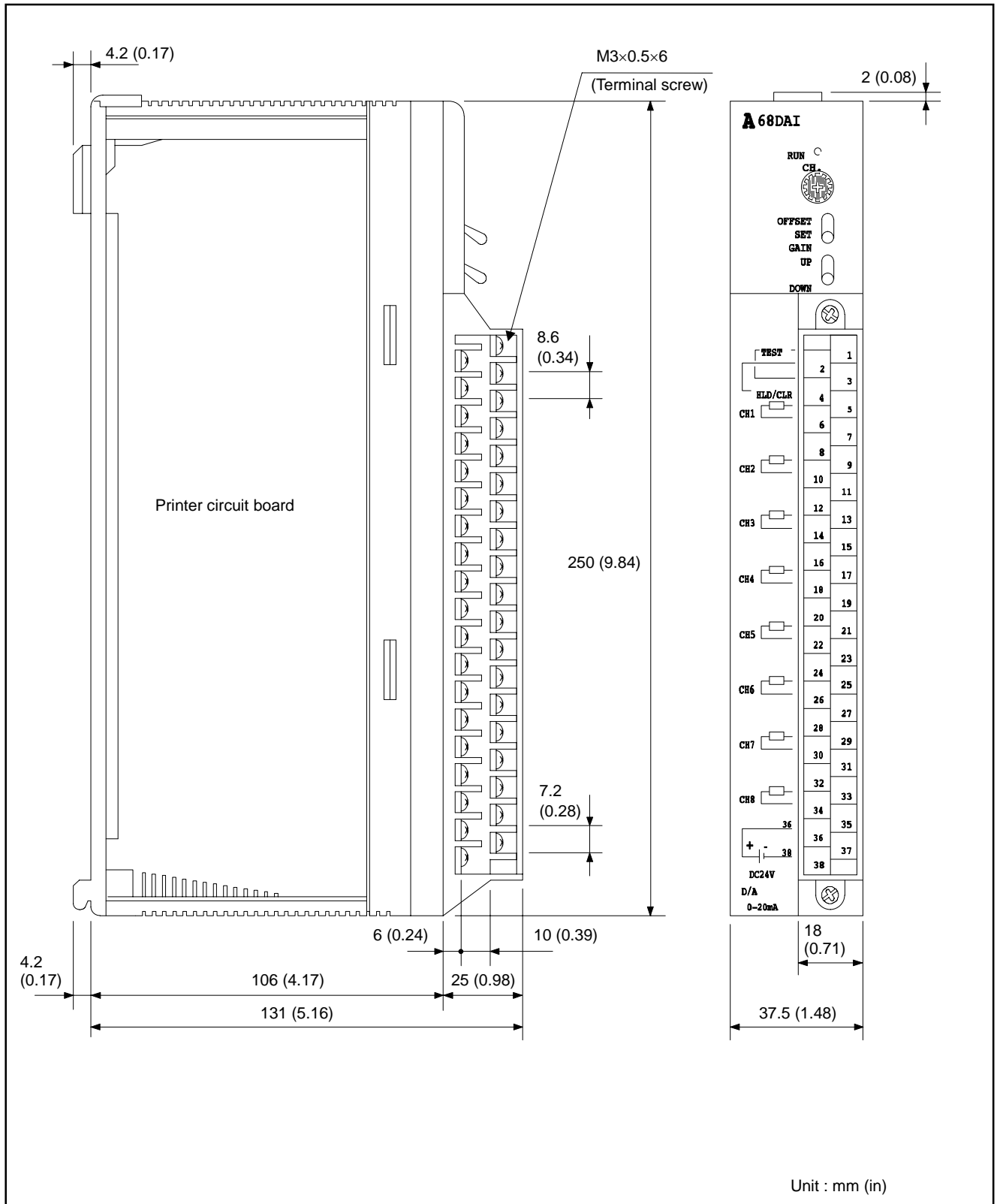
APPENDIX 2 Dimensions

2.1 A68DAV



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2.2 A68DAI



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# WARRANTY

Please confirm the following product warranty details before using this product.

## 1. Gratis Warranty Term and Gratis Warranty Range

If any faults or defects (hereinafter "Failure") found to be the responsibility of Mitsubishi occurs during use of the product within the gratis warranty term, the product shall be repaired at no cost via the sales representative or Mitsubishi Service Company.

However, if repairs are required onsite at domestic or overseas location, expenses to send an engineer will be solely at the customer's discretion. Mitsubishi shall not be held responsible for any re-commissioning, maintenance, or testing on-site that involves replacement of the failed module.

### [Gratis Warranty Term]

The gratis warranty term of the product shall be for one year after the date of purchase or delivery to a designated place.

Note that after manufacture and shipment from Mitsubishi, the maximum distribution period shall be six (6) months, and the longest gratis warranty term after manufacturing shall be eighteen (18) months. The gratis warranty term of repair parts shall not exceed the gratis warranty term before repairs.

### [Gratis Warranty Range]

- (1) The range shall be limited to normal use within the usage state, usage methods and usage environment, etc., which follow the conditions and precautions, etc., given in the instruction manual, user's manual and caution labels on the product.
- (2) Even within the gratis warranty term, repairs shall be charged for in the following cases.
  1. Failure occurring from inappropriate storage or handling, carelessness or negligence by the user. Failure caused by the user's hardware or software design.
  2. Failure caused by unapproved modifications, etc., to the product by the user.
  3. When the Mitsubishi product is assembled into a user's device, Failure that could have been avoided if functions or structures, judged as necessary in the legal safety measures the user's device is subject to or as necessary by industry standards, had been provided.
  4. Failure that could have been avoided if consumable parts (battery, backlight, fuse, etc.) designated in the instruction manual had been correctly serviced or replaced.
  5. Failure caused by external irresistible forces such as fires or abnormal voltages, and Failure caused by force majeure such as earthquakes, lightning, wind and water damage.
  6. Failure caused by reasons unpredictable by scientific technology standards at time of shipment from Mitsubishi.
  7. Any other failure found not to be the responsibility of Mitsubishi or that admitted not to be so by the user.

## 2. Onerous repair term after discontinuation of production

- (1) Mitsubishi shall accept onerous product repairs for seven (7) years after production of the product is discontinued. Discontinuation of production shall be notified with Mitsubishi Technical Bulletins, etc.
- (2) Product supply (including repair parts) is not available after production is discontinued.

## 3. Overseas service

Overseas, repairs shall be accepted by Mitsubishi's local overseas FA Center. Note that the repair conditions at each FA Center may differ.

## 4. Exclusion of loss in opportunity and secondary loss from warranty liability

Regardless of the gratis warranty term, Mitsubishi shall not be liable for compensation of damages caused by any cause found not to be the responsibility of Mitsubishi, loss in opportunity, lost profits incurred to the user by Failures of Mitsubishi products, special damages and secondary damages whether foreseeable or not, compensation for accidents, and compensation for damages to products other than Mitsubishi products, replacement by the user, maintenance of on-site equipment, start-up test run and other tasks.

## 5. Changes in product specifications

The specifications given in the catalogs, manuals or technical documents are subject to change without prior notice.

## 6. Product application

- (1) In using the Mitsubishi MELSEC programmable logic controller, the usage conditions shall be that the application will not lead to a major accident even if any problem or fault should occur in the programmable logic controller device, and that backup and fail-safe functions are systematically provided outside of the device for any problem or fault.
- (2) The Mitsubishi programmable logic controller has been designed and manufactured for applications in general industries, etc. Thus, applications in which the public could be affected such as in nuclear power plants and other power plants operated by respective power companies, and applications in which a special quality assurance system is required, such as for Railway companies or Public service purposes shall be excluded from the programmable logic controller applications.

In addition, applications in which human life or property that could be greatly affected, such as in aircraft, medical applications, incineration and fuel devices, manned transportation, equipment for recreation and amusement, and safety devices, shall also be excluded from the programmable logic controller range of applications.

However, in certain cases, some applications may be possible, providing the user consults their local Mitsubishi representative outlining the special requirements of the project, and providing that all parties concerned agree to the special circumstances, solely at the users discretion.



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