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Renfell Engineering Pty Ltd **RS485 2 Wire**

FX30 Internet of Things card



Introduction

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The Renfell Engineering RS485 2 Wire IoT card allows the user to add a high-speed RS485 serial port to the Sierra Wireless FX30 programmable IoT Gateway and mangOHTM family of boards. Standard and non-standard baud rates from 183 baud up to 3Mbaud are available on the card, which is based around a highly integrated FTDI chipset. Separate TX and RX LEDs provide a visual indication of transmit and receive data as an aide to debugging data communications.

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Items Supplied in the Kit

The following items are supplied in the kit. Please check carefully that all items are present and contact your supplier if any are missing.

1	RS485 2Wire IoT Card	WWW.renfell.com/iot 1.30 MADEFOR RS485-21 FAMOUR RS485-
2	Aluminium endplate for FX30	
3	1 x 2mm pitch jumper shunt	
4	2 x M2 x 6 Pan head screws	
5	Identification sticker	RENFELL RS485 2W

Please note:

- 1. the jumper shunt may or may not be pre-installed on the IoT card
- 2. the aluminium endplate and M2 screws may be packaged together

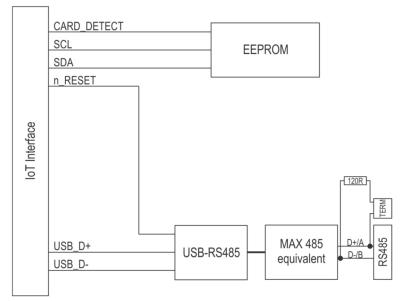
Board Overview



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Block Diagram

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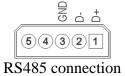
Connection Details

The IoT card is fitted with a 5 way Phoenix Contact COMBICON PTSM 0,5/5-HH-2,5 socket and requires the matching Phoenix Contact COMBICON PTSM 0,5/5-P-2,5 screwless plug (not supplied with the IoT card).

The plug is available in two versions – they are identical except for the colour

Supplier	Order Number (Black)	Order Number (White)
Phoenix Contact	1778861	1704858
Digikey	277-2325-ND	
Element 14	277-6563	
Mouser	651-1778861	651-1704858
RS Components	712-4487	

Your IoT card distributor may also have small quantities of the appropriate connector available for purchase along with the IoT card.



Looking INTO IoT card

Signal Name	Direction into IoT card	PTSM Pin No	Description
D+	IN/OUT	1	Data +
D-	IN/OUT	2	Data -
GND		3	



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Assembling the IoT card into the FX30

Some minor electronic and mechanical skills are required to assemble the IoT card and the FX30.

Skill Level: Easy

Tools Required: ESD safe workspace

#1 Phillips Screwdriver

NOTE: Both the FX

Both the FX30 and IoT card are sensitive, precision electronic devices and some care is required during assembly. If you are not comfortable doing this assembly, please get a trained technician to do it for you.

WARNING: Before commencing work, ensure that the FX30 is completely unplugged from the power supply, Ethernet/Serial connection and the GNSS/CELL antennas.

Step 1



Undo the two countersunk M2 Phillips Head screws and set them aside

Step 2



Once both screws have been removed, take the original end-plate off the FX30 and set it aside.

Step 3



After removing the end-plate, the IoT slot (and SIM slot) can be accessed



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Step 4



Carefully line up the IoT card with the slots in the aluminium extrusion.

Take care that both edges of the IoT card are in the slots – it is possible to put the card in on a slight angle and then it won't seat home correctly

Step 5



Gently push the IoT card into the slot. There should be almost no force required at this point.

The IoT card is ready to be seated into the edge connector in the FX30 once the card has about 6 mm left outside the FX30 housing.

Firmly push the card into the FX30 until the end of the card is flush with the outside of the FX30 housing.

Step 6



Place the replacement end-plate (supplied with the IoT card) over the end of the connector on the IoT card and line up the two screw holes.

Step 7



Use the two Pan-Head screws supplied with the IoT card to screw the end-plate into place.

Take care when starting the screws not to cross-thread them in the FX30 or you will damage the existing threads.

Likewise, do not over-tighten the screws or you will strip the thread in the FX30.



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Usage Example

Note:

The IoT card MUST be 'enabled' by de-asserting (setting HI) the *n_RESET* pin on the IoT connector before it will respond to commands. On FX30 this is done automatically in hardware.

On FX30 this is done automatically when the hardware and there is no way to manually enable or reset the IoT card

Test that the IoT card is recognised by the FX30

- 1. Open a SSH windows to the FX30 unit and log in as root.
- 2. (for FX30 firmware based on Legato 18+), type the following at the shell prompt to load the kernel module/driver:

```
modprobe ftdi_sio
```

3. In the SSH window, type the following at the shell prompt:

```
logread -f | grep -i "usb"
```

4. Insert the IoT card into the slot on the FX30. Something similar to the following should be displayed in the first SSH window:

```
Jan 6 00:05:08 fx30 user.info kernel: [ 301.936181] usb 1-1.3.3: new full-speed USB device number 9 using msm_hsic_host
Jan 6 00:05:08 fx30 user.info kernel: [ 302.030367] ftdi_sio 1-1.3.3:1.0: FTDI USB Serial Device converter detected
Jan 6 00:05:08 fx30 user.info kernel: [ 302.050144] usb 1-1.3.3: Detected FT-X
Jan 6 00:05:08 fx30 user.info kernel: [ 302.052891] usb 1-1.3.3: Number of endpoints
2
Jan 6 00:05:08 fx30 user.info kernel: [ 302.057317] usb 1-1.3.3: Endpoint 1
MaxPacketSize 64
Jan 6 00:05:08 fx30 user.info kernel: [ 302.089546] usb 1-1.3.3: Endpoint 2
MaxPacketSize 64
Jan 6 00:05:08 fx30 user.info kernel: [ 302.093514] usb 1-1.3.3: Setting
MaxPacketSize 64
Jan 6 00:05:08 fx30 user.info kernel: [ 302.101327] usb 1-1.3.3: FTDI USB Serial
Device converter now attached to ttyUSB0
```

Note that the formatting may be different depending on the width of the SSH window.

5. Now remove the IoT card from the FX30 board.

```
Jan 6 00:23:40 fx30 user.info kernel: [ 1413.509934] usb 1-1.3.3: USB disconnect, device number 9
Jan 6 00:23:40 fx30 user.info kernel: [ 1413.518876] ftdi_sio ttyUSB0: FTDI USB Serial Device converter now disconnected from ttyUSB0
```

To cancel the logread, click in the SSH window and press <CTRL-C> to return to the shell prompt:

```
^C root@fx30:~#
```

Errata

- 1. FTDI Kernel card drivers are only available in Legato Release 16.01 for FX30TM or later
- 2. For FX30 firmware based of Legato 18+, the FTDI drivers are provided as kernel modules, not built into the kernel. The ftdio_sio module must be modprobe'd into the kernel before the IoT card will enumerate



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