



## AI-500/501 INTELLIGENT INDICATING/ALARM INSTRUMENT Operation Instruction(V9.2)



### 1.Main Features

- Programmable and modular inputs, supporting multiple input types of thermocouples, RTDs, voltage/ current and two-wire transmitters. Suitable for measuring and displaying temperature, pressure, flow, level, humidity, etc with measurement accuracy of 0.3% full scale.
- Support up to 4 loops of alarms including 2 loops of high limit alarms plus 2 loops of low limit alarms. Alarms can be output to different relays or shared one.
- With functions of digital calibrating, digital filtering, and thermocouple cold junction auto compensating, it is free of maintenance and easy operated.
- Support RS485 communication interface and communicate with upper computer by installing S or S4 module. It is compatible with AI series instruments
- Support the temperature transmission and output with transmission accuracy of 0.5 grade, and adopt current output module X3 with high precision of grade 0.2.
- With "Fever" grade hardware design. Tantalum capacitors or ceramic capacitors are widely used to replace electrolytic capacitors, which provides lower power consumption, higher reliability, stability and wider temperature range than similar products; Both its power supply and I/O terminals have passed the 4KV/5KHz group pulse anti-interference test.
- Universal power supply 100-240VAC or 24VDC is possible. With the protection functions of lightning protection and 10 second protection against misconnection of 380VAC power supply.

### 2. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

- **Input type:**  
**Thermocouple:** K, S, R, T, E, J, B, N  
**Resistance thermometer:** Pt100, Cu50, Ni120  
**Linear voltage:** 0~5V, 1~5V, 0~100mV, 0~60mV, 0~20mV, 20~100mV  
**Linear current (should connect a external resistor or install I44 module in MIO slot):** 0~20mA, 4~20mA  
**Linear resistor:** 0~80 ohm, 0~400 ohm
- **Measurement range :**  
K(-50~+1300℃), S(-50~+1700℃), R(-50~+1700℃), T(-200~+350℃)  
E(0~+800℃), J(0~+1000℃), B (200~+1800℃), N(0~+1300℃),  
PT100(-200~+800℃)
- **Measurement accuracy :** 0.3%FS±1  
● **Temperature shift :** ≤0.015%FS/℃ (typical value is 75ppm/℃)  
● **Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) :** IEC61000-4-4, ±4KV/5KHz;  
IEC61000-4-5, 4KV
- **Retransmission :**  
When X3 current module is installed in OUTP slot, process value (PV) can be retransmitted to standard current with maximum load resistor 500 ohm.
- **Alarm function :** High limit, low limit, second high limit and second low limit
- **Isolation withstanding voltage :**  
Between power, relay contact or signal terminals ≥2300VDC; between isolated electroweak signal terminals ≥600VDC
- **Power supply :** 100~240VAC, -15%, +10%, 50-60Hz;  
24VDC, -15%, +10%
- **Power consumption:** ≤5W
- **Operating Ambient :** Temperature -10~+60℃; humidity ≤90%RH

### 3. Ordering Code Definition

The ordering code of AI-500/AI-501 is made up of 8 parts, for example:

AI-501 A N X3 L3 N S4 — 24VDC  
① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦ ⑧

The meanings of the 8 parts of ordering code are as below:

#### ① Shows the model of instrument:

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#### ② Shows the front panel dimension:

AI-500	AI-501	Depth Behind (mm)	Front Panel Width×Height (mm)	Cut Out Width×Height (mm)	Light Bar (mm)	
A0	A	72mm	96 × 96 mm	92 <sup>+0.5</sup> × 92 <sup>+0.5</sup> mm	---	
A10	A1	72mm			25 segments, 4 levels, and 1% resolution	
	A2	72mm				
	A21	72mm	160 × 80 mm	152 <sup>+0.5</sup> × 76 <sup>+0.5</sup> mm	---	
B0	B	72mm			25 segments, 4 levels, and 1% resolution	
B10	B1	72mm				
	B2	72mm				
	B21	72mm	80 × 160 mm	76 <sup>+0.5</sup> × 152 <sup>+0.5</sup> mm	---	
C0	C	72mm				
C10	C1	72mm				
D0	D	70mm	72 × 72 mm	68 <sup>+0.5</sup> × 68 <sup>+0.5</sup> mm	---	
D20	D2	95mm	48 × 48 mm	45 <sup>+0.5</sup> × 45 <sup>+0.5</sup> mm	---	
	D61	79mm	48 × 48 mm	46 <sup>+0.5</sup> × 46 <sup>+0.5</sup> mm	---	
	D7/D71	22.5 × 100mm, DIN rail mount. compact dual LED display, hot-plugged terminals				
E0	E	71mm	48 × 96 mm	45 <sup>+0.5</sup> × 92 <sup>+0.5</sup> mm	---	
E10	E1	77mm			25 segments, 4 levels, and 1% resolution	
	E2	71mm				
	E21	71mm	96 × 48 mm	92 <sup>+0.5</sup> × 45 <sup>+0.5</sup> mm	---	
	E5	48 × 96 mm, DIN rail mount.				
F0	F	71mm			96 × 48 mm	92 <sup>+0.5</sup> × 45 <sup>+0.5</sup> mm
F10	F1	71mm				

#### ③ Shows the module types of multiple input/output (MIO). Selectable modules are as follows:

V24 or V10, 24V or 10V voltage output, available for external transmitters, load cells, etc  
I44 expands 0~20mA or 4~20mA linear current input, and includes 24V/25mA power output, which can be directly connected to two-wire transmitter

#### ④ Shows the module types of main output (OUTP):

install X3 current output and other modules as current transmitter outputs

#### ⑤ Shows the module type of alarm output (ALM):

Can output alarms by installing L21, relay output module or L3 dual relay output module.

#### ⑥ Shows the module type of auxiliary output (AUX):

Can output alarms by installing L21, L3 relay output module.

#### ⑦ Shows the module type of communication (COMM):

Installing S, S1 or S4 (standard MODBUS-RTU) for RS485 communication.

#### ⑧ Shows type of power supply:

Null indicates 100~240VAC power supply, and "24VDC" indicates

20~32VDC/AC power.

**Note 1:** 4~20mA or 0~20mA standard current signal can be inputted by converting to 1~5V/0~5V voltage signal with a 250 ohm resistor or installing I44, module in MIO slot. I44 can supply 24VDC power to 2-wire transmitter.

**Note 2:** D dimension instruments have no MIO slot, and its COMM and ALM share the same slot and can't be installed at the same time. Its ALM only support AL1 single loop alarm. D2 dimension instruments have only OUTP slot and COMM / AUX slot.

**Note 3:** Current module X3 and RS485 communication module S share the same power supply in the instrument, and are not electrically isolated to each other. Therefore, if X3 current module is installed in OUTP slot and RS485 communication is needed at the same time, then RS485 communication module should be S4 which itself has isolated power supply.

**Note 4:** The instrument shall be repaired free of charge during the warranty period. Any instrument that needs to be repaired must be clearly stated with the fault phenomenon and reason to ensure correct and comprehensive repair.

### 4.Front Panel Description

① Upper display window, displays PV, or code of a parameter

② Lower display window, displays alarming code or parameter value

③ Setup key, for accessing parameter tables, and confirming change

④ Data shift key

⑤ Data decrease key

⑥ Date increase key

⑦ Indicator lamps: OP1 and OP2 indicate the status of current retransmission. AL1, AL2, AU1 and AU2 indicate the I/O actions of the corresponding modules

**Basal display status :** When power on, the upper display window of the instrument shows the process value (PV). This status is called basal display status. When the input signal is out of the measurable range (for example, the thermocouple or RTD circuit is break, or input specification sets wrong), the upper display window will alternately display "orAL" and the high limit or the low limit of PV.

### 5.Parameter Setting

In basal display status, press ③ and hold for about 2 seconds, can access Field Parameter Table. If the parameter lock "Loc" isn't locked (Loc=0), we can modify the value of parameters by ④ / ⑤ or ⑥. Press ⑤ key to decrease the value, ⑥ key to increase the value, and ④ key to move to the digit expected to modify. Keep pressing ⑥ or ⑤, the speed of increasing or decreasing value get

quick. Pressing ③ can go to the next parameter. Press ④ and hold can return to the preceding parameter. Press ④ (don't release) and then press ③ simultaneously can escape from the parameter table. The instrument will escape automatically from the parameter table if no key is pressed within 30 seconds. Setting Loc=808 and then press can access System Parameter Table.

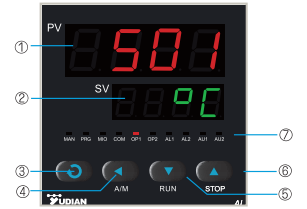
When the parameters editing is done, press and hold ③ key until the display status quits from parameter editing. The parameters will be saved.

#### 5.1The Parameter Table

Code	Name	Description	Setting Range
HIAL	High limit alarm	Alarm on when PV(Process Value)>HIAL; Alarm off when PV<HIAL-AHYS	-9990~+30000 units
LoAL	Low limit alarm	Alarm on when PV<LoAL; alarm off when PV>LoAL+AHYS	
HdAL	Second high limit alarm	Alarm on when PV>HdAL; alarm off when PV<HdAL-AHYS	
LdAL	Second Low limit alarm	Alarm on when PV<LdAL; alarm off when PV>LdAL+AHYS	
Loc	Parameter lock	Loc=0, it is allowed to modify the given value and field parameters; Loc=1, it is allowed to modify the given value, and it is prohibited to modify the field parameters; Loc=2~3, it is forbidden to modify the given value, and it is allowed to modify the field parameters; Loc=4~255 it is not allowed to modify any parameter other than Loc. Set Loc=808 and press OK to enter the system parameter table	0~9999

#### 5.2 System parameter table (set Loc=808 and then press ③ to access)

Code	Name	Description	Setting Range																														
AHYS	Alarm hysteresis	Avoid frequent alarm on-off action because of the fluctuation of PV. For temperature alarm, it is recommended to be 0.5~2℃ .	0~9999																														
AoP	Alarm output allocation	<table><tr><td>Alarm Output to \</td><td>LdAL (x1000)</td><td>HdAL (x100)</td><td>LoAL (x10)</td><td>HIAL (x1)</td></tr><tr><td>None</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>AL1</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>AL2</td><td>2</td><td>2</td><td>2</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>AU1</td><td>3</td><td>3</td><td>3</td><td>3</td></tr><tr><td>AU2</td><td>4</td><td>4</td><td>4</td><td>4</td></tr></table> <p>Example:</p> $AOP = \frac{3}{LdAL} \frac{3}{HdAL} \frac{0}{LoAL} \frac{1}{HIAL} ;$ <p>shows that HdAL and LdAL are sent to AU1, LoAL has no output, HIAL is sent to AL1.</p> <p>Note : Installing L 5 dual relay output module in ALM or AUX can implement AL2 or AU2 alarm.</p>	Alarm Output to \	LdAL (x1000)	HdAL (x100)	LoAL (x10)	HIAL (x1)	None	0	0	0	0	AL1	1	1	1	1	AL2	2	2	2	2	AU1	3	3	3	3	AU2	4	4	4	4	0~4444
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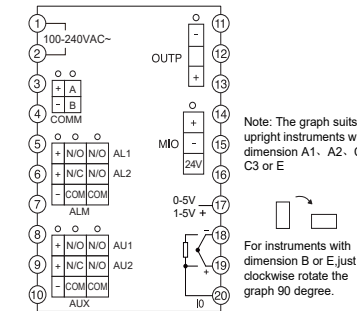
INP	Input specification Code	0	K	21	Pt100	0~37
		1	S	22	Pt100 (-80~+300.00℃)	
		2	R	25	0~75mV voltage input	
		3	T	26	0~100ohm resistor input	
		4	E	27	0~400ohm resistor input	
		5	J	28	0~20mV voltage input	
		6	B	30	0~60mV voltage input	
		7	N	31	0~1V	
		8	WRe3-WRe25	32	0.2~1V	
		9	WRe5-WRe26	33	1~5V voltage input	
		10	User-defined	34	0~5V voltage input	
		12	F2 radiation high-temperature thermometer	35	-20~+20mV	
		13	T (0~300.00℃)	37	-5V~+5V	
		15	MIO input 1 (Install I44 for 4~20mA)	42	0~10V voltage input	
		16	MIO input 2 (Install I44 for 0~20mA)	43	2~10V voltage input	
		17	K (0~300.00℃)	44	-10~+10V voltage input	
		18	J (0~300.00℃)	45	0~100mV voltage input	
		19	Ni120	46	20~100mV voltage input	
		20	Cu50			
dPt	Radix point position	Four formats (0, 0.0, 0.00, 0.000) are selectable. For thermocouples or RTD inputs, only 0 and 0.0 are selectable, if use thermocouple type S, it's better select 0; Inp=17, 18, 22, the internal resolution is 0.01, 0.0 and 0.00 are selectable. For linear input, if the value of PV or any parameter is probably greater than 9999, format 0.000 is recommended, when value is greater than 9999, the display format will be 00.00.				
SCL	Signal scale low limit	Define scale low limit of input signal. It is also the scale of the low limit of retransmission output. For example, to transform 1~5V input signal into process value of 0~200.0, we shall set dPt=0.0, SCL=0, SCH=200.0				-9990~+30000
SCH	Signal scale high limit	Define scale high limit of input signal. It is also the scale of the high limit of retransmission output. For example, to transform 0~5V input signal into process value of 1000~2000, we shall set dPt=0, SCL=1000, SCH=2000.				
Scb	Input shift adjustment	Scb is used to compensate the error produced by sensor or input signal. PV after compensation= PV before compensation + Scb. For example, for same input signal, if measured temperature PV is 500.0℃ when Scb=10.0, then PV should be 510.0℃.				-9990~+4000
FILT	Input filter	The value of FILT will determine the ability of filtering noise. When a large value is set, the measurement input is stabilized but the response speed is slow. Generally, it can be set to 1 to 3. If great interference exists, then you can increase parameter "FILT" gradually to make momentary fluctuation of measured value less than 2 to 5. When the instrument is being metrological verified, "FILT" s can be set to 0 or 1 to shorten the response time.				0~100
Ctrl	Control mode (only for AI-501)	POP, transmit PV; SOP, transmit SV, SV can be -9990~+30000. When Ctrl=SOP, lower window shows transmit value and can be modified.				
OPt	Output Type	0-20: 0~20mA linear current retransmission output; 4-20: 4~20mA linear current retransmission output.				
SPL	Lower Limit for SV(only for AI-501)	Minimum value allowed for SV setting.				-9990~+30000
SPH	Upper Limit for SV(only for AI-501)	Maximum value allowed for SV setting.				
SPSL	Lower limit of transmission output scale	When used to define the current transmission output, it is the defined value of the output lower limit scale.				
SPSH	Upper limit of transmission output scale	When used to define the current transmission output, it is the defined value of the output upper limit scale.				

AF	Advanced function	AF is used to select advanced function. The value of AF is calculated as below: AF=A×1+B×2+C×4+D×8+E×16+F×32 A=0, HdAL and LdAL work as deviation alarms; A=1, HdAL and LdAL work as high and low limit alarms, and the instrument can have two groups of high and low limit alarms. B=0, Alarm and control hysteresis work as unilateral hysteresis; B=1, As bilateral hysteresis C=0, the third row of the meter displays with 1 decimal point; C=1, the third row of the meter does not display a decimal point (only available for three-row display). D=0, the password to enter the parameter table is the public 808; D=1, the password is the parameter PASd value. E=0, HIAL and LOAL work as high and low limit alarms respectively; E=1, HIAL and LOAL will become to deviation high alarm and Deviation low alarm, and the instrument can have four groups of deviation alarms. F=0, fine control mode, the internal control resolution is 10 times that of the display, but its maximum display value is 3200 units during linear input; F=1 is high-resolution display mode, select this mode when the display value is required to be greater than 3200	0~255
AFC	Communication Mode	AFC is used to select communication mode. The value of AFC is calculated as below: AFC=A*1+D*8+G*64 A=0, Standard MODBUS Protocol; A=1, AIBUS Protocol; A=2, MODBUS compatible Protocol; A=4, compatible protocol with S6 module. G=0, default; G=1, AUX does event input	0~255
Addr	Communication address	Each instrument should be assigned a unique address in one RS485 communication line.	0~99
bAud	Baud rate	The bAud parameter defines the communication baud rate, with a defined range of 0 to 28800 bits/s (28.8K). When the COM position is not used for communication functions, it can be configured for other uses by setting the bAud parameter as follows: bAud=0: Configures the COM port for 0-20mA measurement transmission output. bAud=1: Configures the COM port as an external digital input, similar to the MIO position. If the MIO position is occupied, the I2 module can be installed in the COMM position. bAud=2: Configures the COMM/AUX port for AU1+AL1 output, suitable for D2-sized meters requiring event outputs (requires installation of L3 module). bAud=3: Configures the COMM/AUX port for AUX use, suitable for D2-sized meters. bAud=4: Configures the COMM port for 4-20mA measurement transmission output. bAud=8: Configures the COMM port for 0-20mA setpoint transmission output. bAud=12: Configures the COMM port for 4-20mA setpoint transmission output.	0~28.8K

## 6. Rear Terminal Layout and Wiring

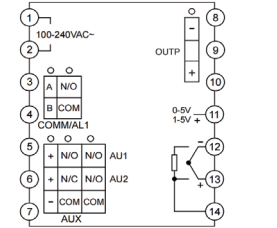
The compensation wires for different kinds of thermocouple are different, and should be directly connect to the terminals. Connecting the common wire between the compensation wire and the terminals will cause measurement error.

### Wiring graph for instrument with dimensions A、A2、B、C、C3、E、F、A1、A10、B1、B10、C1、C10、E1、E10、F1、F10



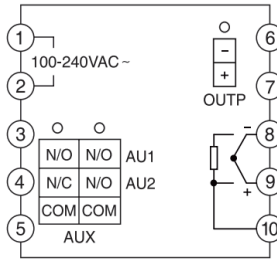
Note: Linear voltage signal with its range below 100mV can be inputted from terminals 19+ and 18-. 0~1V and 0~5V signal can be inputted from terminals 17+ and 18-. 4~20mA current signal can be converted to voltage signal with an 250 ohm external resistor and then inputted from terminals 17+ and 18-. If I44 module is installed in MIO slot, current signal can also be inputted from terminals 14+ and 15-, and 2-wire transmitter can be inputted from terminals 16+ and 14-.

### Wiring graph for dimension D (72X72mm)instruments:



Note: Linear voltage signal with its range below 100mV can be inputted from terminals 13+ and 12-, 0~1V and 0~5V signal can be inputted from terminals 11+ and 12-, 4~20mA current signal can be converted to 1~5V voltage signal with an 250 ohm external resistor and then inputted from terminals 11+ and 12-.

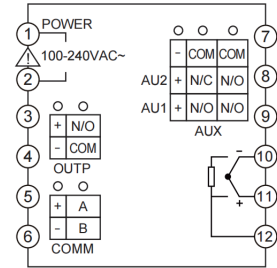
### Wiring graph for D2 dimensio (48mmX48mm) instruments



Note 1: Dimension D2 instruments support neither 0~5V nor 0~5V linear voltage input. Instead, 0~5V or 1~5V signal can be converted to 0~100mV or 20~100mV respectively by external voltage divider while 4~20mA can be converted to 20~100mV by connecting a 5 ohm resistor in parallel, then be inputted from terminals 9 and 8.

Note 2: In COMM/AUX slot, S or S4 communication module can be installed for communication(COMM). If L2 module is installed to act as alarm at AU1. If L3 dual relay module is installed with parameter bAud = 0, it acts as AU1 and AU2 alarm output. If parameter bAud = 2, it acts as alarms at AU1 and AL1.

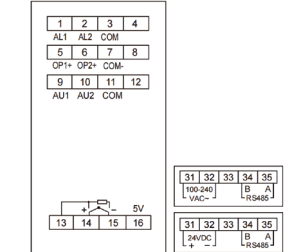
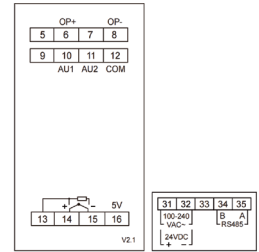
### Wiring graph for D61 dimensio (48mmX48mm) instruments



Note 1: Dimension D61 instruments does not support 0~1V and above linear voltage input. Instead, 0~1V signal can be converted to 0~100mV by external voltage divider while 4~20mA can be converted to 20~100mV by connecting a 5 ohm resistor in parallel, then be inputted from terminals 11+ and 10-.

Note 2: Linear voltage signal with its range within 0~100mV and below can be inputted from terminals 11+ and 10-.

### Wiring graph for D71 dimensio (22.5mmX100mm) instruments



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D71