

RS232 to WIFI converter Module

Embedded WiFi Module User Manual

WIFI232-A11-V4.0



Overview of Characteristic

- ☒ Support IEEE802.11b/g/n Wireless Standards
- ☒ Support TCP/IP/UDP Network Protocols
- ☒ Support UART/GPIO/Ethernet Data Interface
- ☒ Support Work As STA/AP Mode
- ☒ Support Router/Bridge Mode Networking
- ☒ Support Board Antenna and External Antenna Option
- ☒ Support Transparent/Agreement Transmission Mode
- ☒ Support AT+ Instruction Set for Configuration
- ☒ Support Friendly Web Congiration Page
- ☒ Single +3.3V Power Supply
- ☒ Smallest Size: 25 x 40mm
- ☒ FCC/CE Certificated
- ☒ Flexible Software Platform with Linux OS



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1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

1.1. General Specification

Table 1 WIFI232-A11 Module Technical Specifications

Class	Item	Parameters
Wireless Parameters	Certification	FCC/CE
	Wireless standard	802.11 b/g/n
	Frequency range	2.412GHz-2.484GHz
	Transmit Power	802.11b: +20 dBm (Max.)
		802.11g: +18 dBm (Max.)
		802.11n: +15 dBm (Max.)
		Configurable
	Receiver Sensitivity	802.11b: -89 dBm
		802.11g: -81dBm
		802.11n: -71dBm
Antenna Option	External: I-PEX Connector	
	Internal: On-board chip antenna	
Hardware Parameters	Data Interface	UART: 1200bps - 230400bps
		I2C: 100K-1Mbps
		GPIOs
		Ethernet: 100Mbps
	Operating Voltage	3.3V (+/-5%)
	Operating Current	170mA~300mA
	Operating Temperature	-10°C - 70°C
	Storage Temperature	-40°C - 85°C
Dimensions and Size	25×40×8mm (A111)	
	30×45×8mm (A112)	
Software Parameters	Network Type	Station /AP mode
	Security Mechanisms	WEP/WAP-PSK/WAP2-PSK/WAPI
	Encryption	WEP64/WEP128/TKIP/AES
	Work Mode	Transparent Transmission and Agreement Transmission mode
	Serial command	AT+instruction set
	Network Protocol	TCP/UDP/ARP/ICMP/DHCP/DNS/HTTP
	Max. TCP Connection	32
	User Configuration	Web Server + AT command config.
User Application SW	Support customized application SW with Linux system.	

1.2. Hardware Introduction

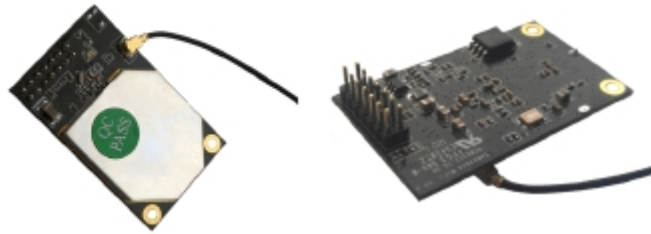


Figure 1. WIFI232-A11 Demo

1.2.1. Pins Definition

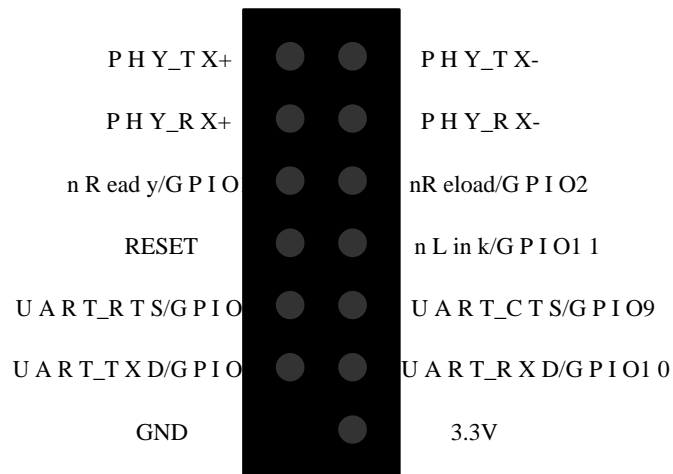


Figure 2. WIFI232-A11 Pins Map

Table 2 WIFI232-A11 Pins Definition

Pin	Description	Name	Direction	Note
1	Ground	GND	Power	
2	VCC	3.3V	Power	3.3V @ 350mA power input
3	UART Data Transmit	UART_TXD	O	If not use UART function, this 4 pins can be configured as GPIO pins, and can change GPIO pin status through AT command
	GPIO	GPIO8	I/O	
4	UART Data Receive	UART_RXD	I	
	GPIO	GPIO10	I/O	

5	UART sends request of data transmission	UART_RTS	O	
	GPIO	GPIO7	I/O	
6	UART receives data transmission permission	UART_CTS	I	
	GPIO	GPIO9	I/O	
7	Module reset signal	RESET	I	"Low (0)" effective reset input. The reset duration should be kept more than 300ms
8	WiFi status Indication	nLink	O	"1" - WIFI connection available, "0" - No WIFI connection Can be configured as GPIO.
	GPIO	GPIO11	I/O	
9	Indicate the module status of power on process	nReady	O	"0" - Finish module boot up process; "1" - Module boot up not finish. Can be configured as GPIO.
	GPIO	GPIO1	I/O	
10	Restore configuration	nReload	I	Module will Restore factory default configuration after set this pin "0" more than 1s, then set "1".
	GPIO	GPIO2	I/O	
11	Ethernet Interface	PHY_RX+	I	+1.8V Ethernet Data Interface Support transformer and direct connection (AC couple) mode.
12	Ethernet Interface	PHY_RX-	I	
13	Ethernet Interface	PHY_TX+	O	
14	Ethernet Interface	PHY_TX-	O	

1.2.2. Mechanical Size

WIFI232-A11 series modules include HF-A111 (25×40mm) and HF-A112 (30×45mm) with different physical size as follows:

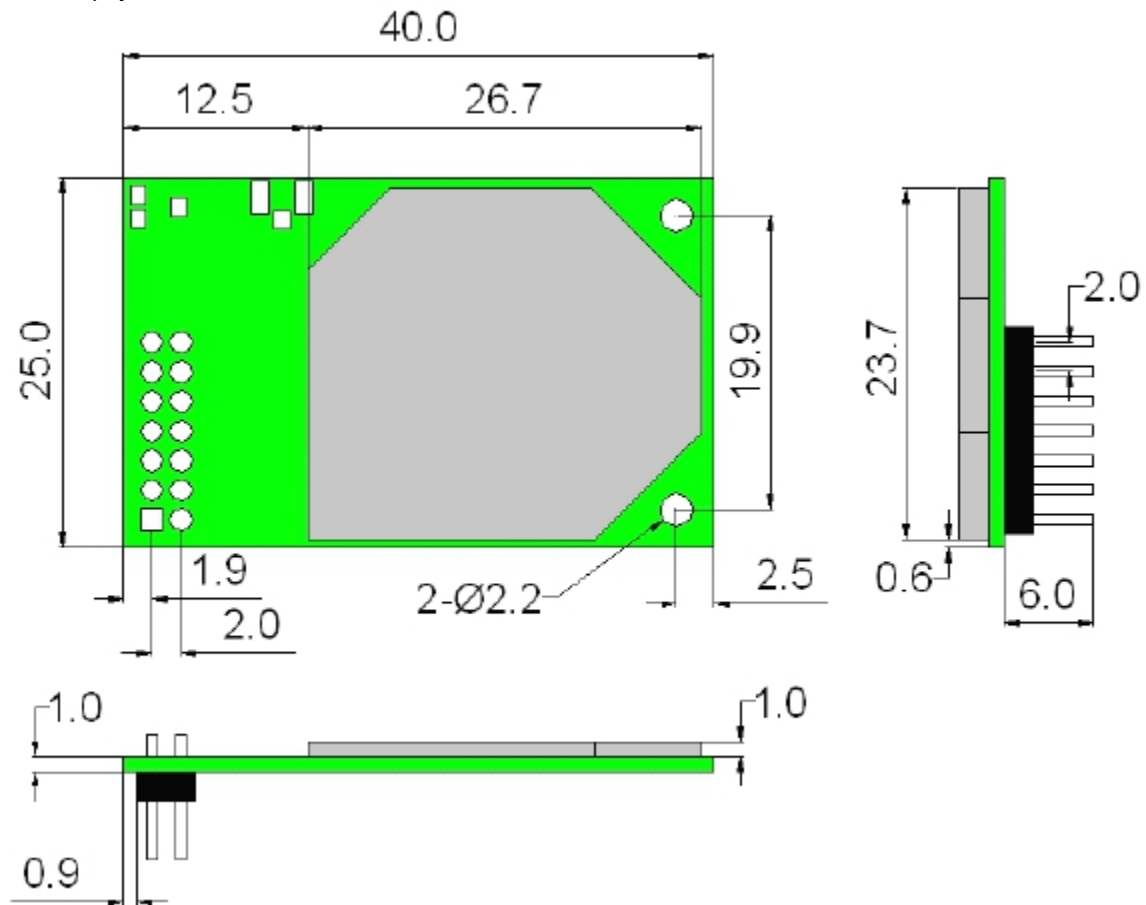


Figure 3. HF-A111 Mechanical Dimension

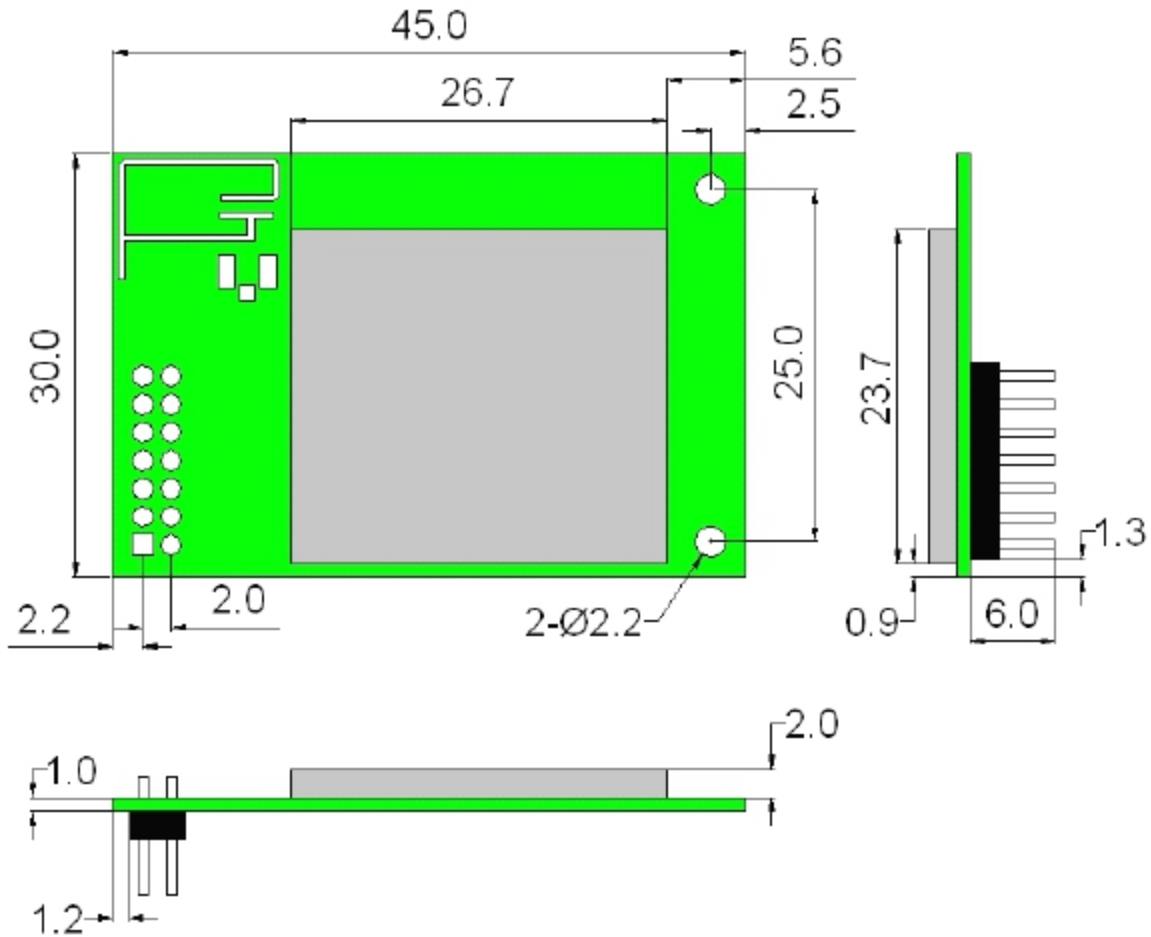


Figure 4. HF-A112 Mechanical Dimension

1.2.3. External Antenna

WIFI232-A11 modules support internal antenna (HF-A111: Chip Antenna, HF-A112: On-board PCB Antenna) and external antenna option for user dedicated application.

If user select external antenna, WIFI232-A11 modules must be connected to the 2.4G antenna according to IEEE 802.11b/g/n standards.

The antenna parameters required as follows:

Table 3 WIFI232-A11 External Antenna Parameters

Item	Parameters
Frequency range	2.4~2.5GHz
Impedance	50 Ohm
VSWR	2 (Max)
Rerurn Loss	-10dB (Max)
Connector Type	I-PEX or populate directly

1.2.4. Evaluation Kit

High-Flying provides the evaluation kit to promote user to familiar the product and develop the detailed application. The evaluation kit shown as below, user can connect to WIFI232-A11 module with the RS-232 UART port, 100M Eth port or Wireless port to configure the parameters, manage the module or do the some functional tests.



Figure 5. WIFI232-A11 Evaluation Kit

The external interface description for evaluation kit as follows:

Table 4 WIFI232-A11 Evaluation Kit Interface Description

Function	Name	Description
External Interface	DB9	Male serial jack of 9-pin, and used to connect to PC
	RJ-45	100M Eth Interface
	Mini USB	B-type interface, work as 5V@1A input
	Module	2x7 2mm DIP connector
LED	LED1	3.3V Power Indicator
	LED2	nReady Indicator
	LED3	nLink Indicator
Button	Reset	Used to reset the module.
	Reload	Module restore to factory default configuration.

1.2.5. Order Information

Base on customer detailed requirement, WIFI232-A11 series moduels provide different variant and physical type for detailed application.

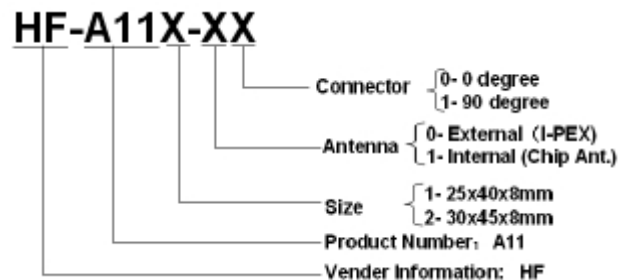


Figure 6. WIFI232-A11 Order Information

1.3. Hardware Reference Design

1.3.1. Hardware Typical Application

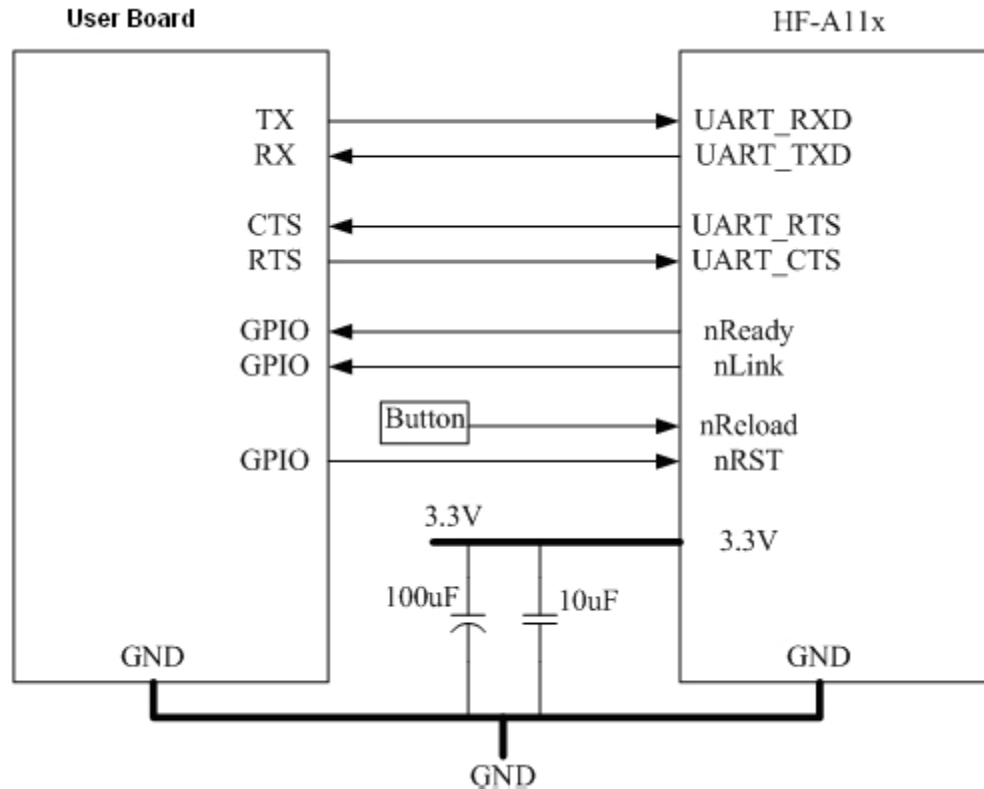


Figure 7. WIFI232-A11 Hardware Typical Application

Notes:

nRST- Module hardware reset signal. Input. Logics “0” effective.

There is 100K Ohm pull-up resistor internal. When modul power up or some issue happened, MCU need assert nRST signal “0” at least 300ms, then set” 1” to keep module fully reset.

nReady- Module boot up ready signal. Output. Logics “0” effective.

There is 4.7K Ohm pull-up resistor internal. The module will output “0” after normal boot up. This signal used to judge if module finish boot up and ready for application.

nLink- Module WIFI connection indication. Output.

There is 4.7K Ohm pull-up resistor internal. When module connect to AP (STA mode) or some WiFi STA connect to modue (AP mode), the module will output “0”. This signal used to judge if module already at WiFi connection status.

nReload- Module restore to factory default configuration.Input. Logics “0” effective.

There is 4.7K Ohm pull-up resistor internal.User can assert nReload signal “0” more than 1s through botton or MCU pin, then release, module will restore to factory default configuration and re-start boot up process.

UART_TXD/RXD- UART port data transmit and receive signal.

There are 1K Ohm pull-down resistor internal.User can’t add pull-up resistor at these pins.

1.3.2. 10/100M Ethernet Interface

WIFI232-A11 modules provide one 10/100M Ethernet PHY layer interface for data transmission or user configuration. This Ethernet support with transformer and without transformer (PHY-to-PHY) 2 kinds of connection.

1.3.2.1. Ethernet Connection with Transformer

User board put Ethernet transformer and RJ-45 connector. This is a general 10/100M Ethernet phy layer connection. The reference design as following:

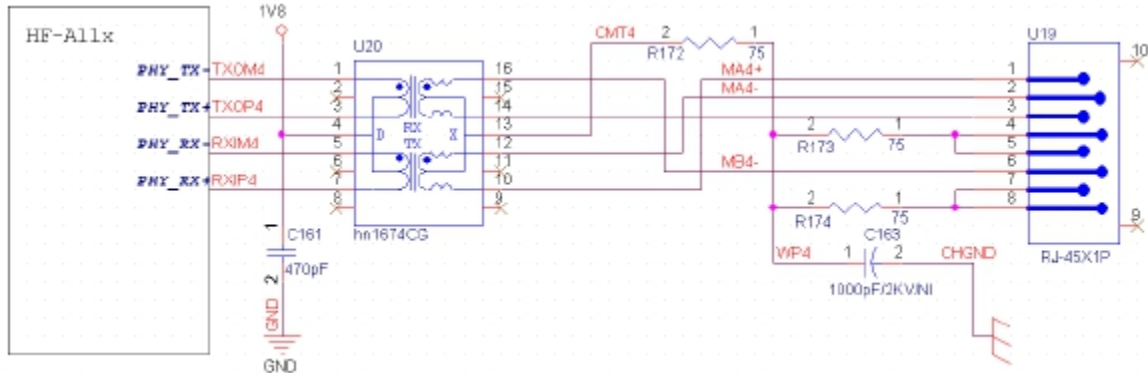


Figure 8. Ethernet Reference Design with Transformer

1.3.2.2. Ethernet Connection without Transformer

For this application, Ethernet will work as internal data transmission interface and save one transformer and RJ-45 connector. Ethernet PHY-to-PHY connection will use AC coupled connection. This is a space and cost optimized solution. Hardware reference design as following:
 Note: VCC signal at reference design shall base on user board PHY chipset voltage level, such as 2.5V power supply for general Ethernet PHY chipset.

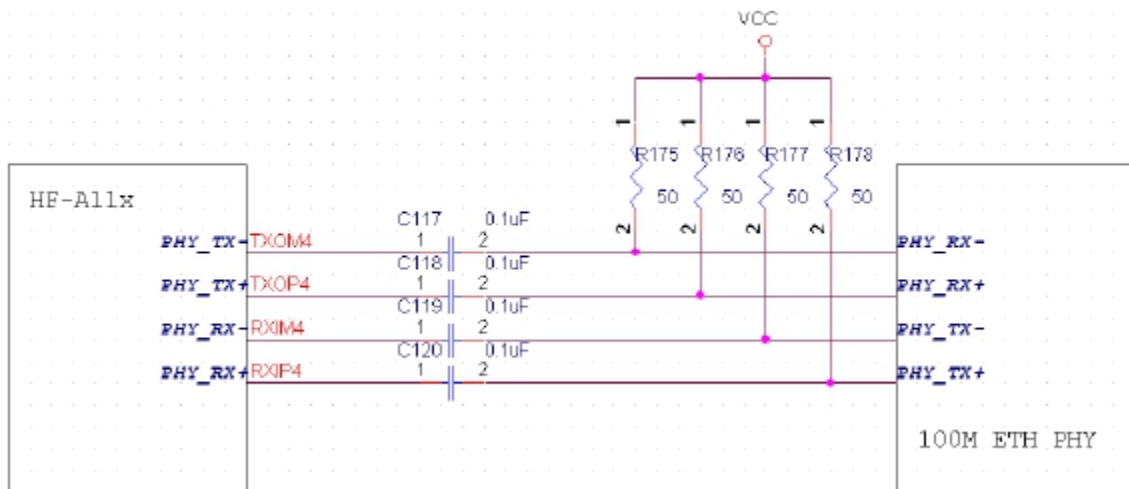


Figure 9. Ethernet Reference Design without Transformer

1.3.3. UART Interface

UART interface is the serial data transmission interface mainly used for WIFI232-A11 modules.

User can add RS-232 chipset on user board and convert the signal to RS-232 voltage to communicate with outside equipment or sensors. WIFI232-A11 modules UART interface include 4 general signals: TXD/RXD/RTS/CTS. The hardware reference design with RS-232 chipset as following:

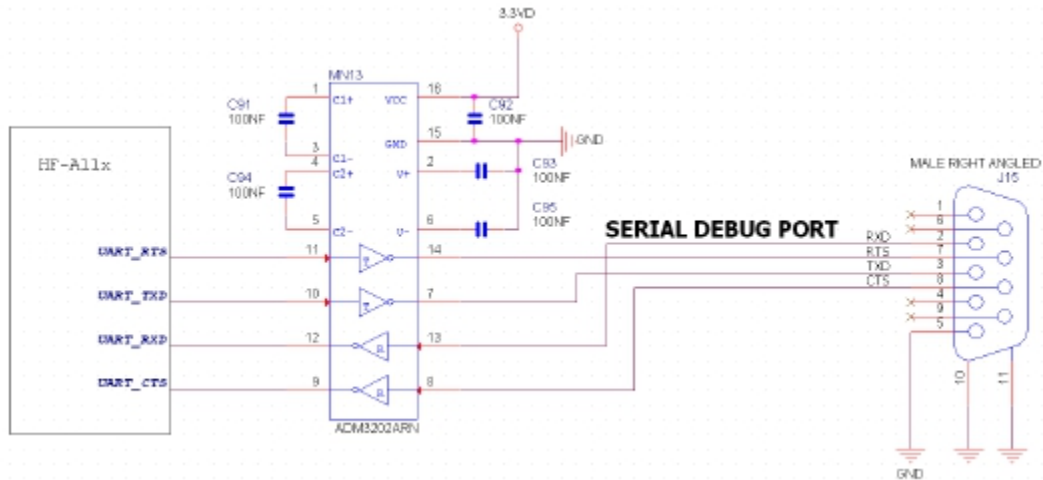


Figure 10. UART Interface Reference Design

Notes: TXD pin is also hardware configuration pin internal module. So this pin MUST pull-down during module power up. HF0A11x modules provide internal pull-down resistor, user can't add pull-up/pull-down resistor on user board, which may cause module can't work.

1.3.4. Power Interface

WIFI232-A11 module support single +3.3V power supply. The peak current shall about 350mA and normal WiFi working current shall about 200mA. The power save (WiFi OFF) mode will about 100mA

Decoupling at power pin suggested, At least one 100uF and one 10uF capacitor required at user board and put near module power input pin will increase the reliability and performance.

1.4. Software Reference Design

When WIFI232-A11 modules boot up phase, the general user board MCU software flow chart will as following:

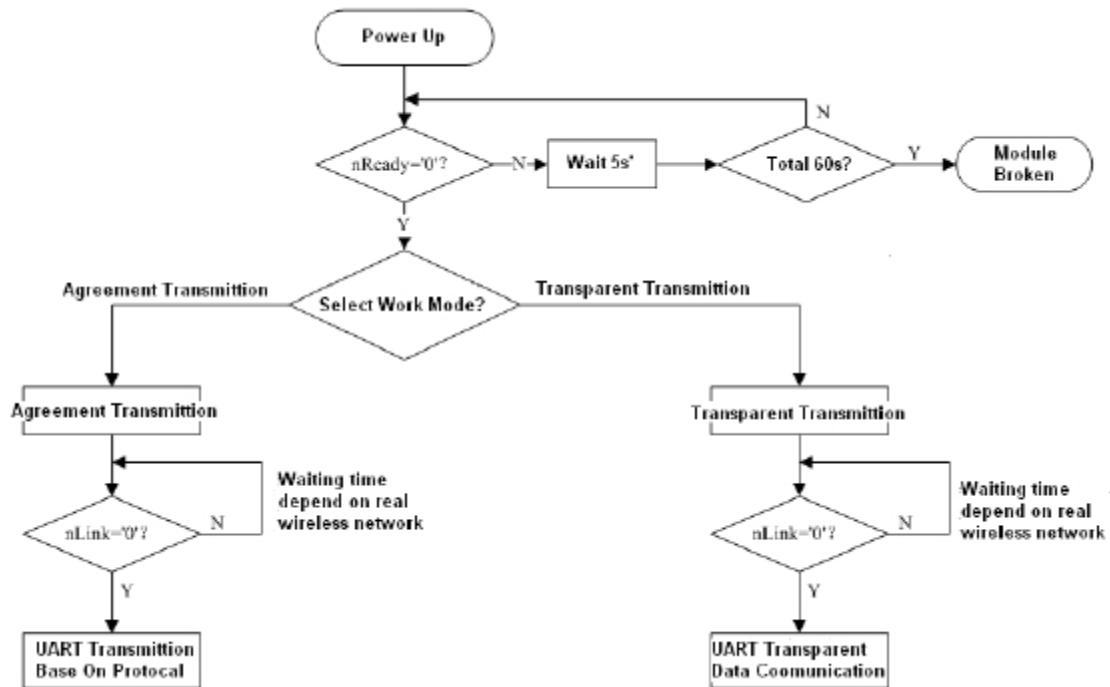


Figure 11. User MCU Software Flow Chart

WIFI232-A11 modules provide two kinds of work mode and one configuration mode. Work mode is **Transparent Transmission** and **Agreement Transmission**. Configuration mode is through **AT+instruction set** to finish module setting and configuration.

When WIFI232-A11 modules boot up, user can select one work mode base on the setting, and user can switch to the configuration mode at any kinds of work mode.

1.4.1. Transparent Transmission Mode

WIFI232-A11 modules support serial interface transparent transmission mode. The benefit of this mode is achieves a plug and play serial data port, and reduces user complexity furthest. In this mode, user should only configure the necessary parameters. After power on, module can automatically connect to the default wireless network and server.

As in this mode, the module's serial port always work in the transparent transmission mode, so users only need to think of it as a virtual serial cable, and send and receive data as using a simple serial. In other words, the serial cable of users' original serial devices is directly replaced with the module; user devices can be easy for wireless data transmission without any changes.

The transparent transmission mode can fully compatible with user's original software platform and reduce the software development effort for integrate wireless data transmission.

Notes: Transparent transmission mode as a low level phy layer data transmission can't keep zero error rates by itself. User can enable UART port's hardware flow control CTS/RTS function or though higher layer protocol such as TCP to lower error rate and mange the data completeness. High-Flying recommend when doing large amounts of data transmission in transparent transmission mode, hardware flow control should be enabled, so as to fully ensure reliable data transmission. In the applications which doesn't need flow control, users can simply leave RTS /

CTS pin vacant.

1.4.2. Agreement Transmission Mode

If user requires keep 100% accurate data transmission (No error rate) or user board' MCU has limited data processing speed compared with wireless data transmission rate, agreement transmission mode is suggested in this kinds of application.

Agreement transmission mode defines transmission data structure, verification mode, connection mode between both sides, which target to fully control and manage the data transmission on the serial port. This kinds of mode can keep accurate data transmission.

In agreement transmission mode, user device (or MCU) send "SEND" instruction to WIFI232-A11 modules, WIFI232-A11 modules reply "SEND ACK" instruction to confirm. WIFI232-A11 modules will not active transmit the serial port data to user device, it only can transmit the data after receive user device's data transmit request. WIFI232-A11 module has 1M byte data FIFO to save data which need to be transmitting to the user device.

1.4.2.1. Agreement Transmission Data Structure

Agreement transmission mode's command data structure and **agreement** as following:

- The 1st Byte of each frame is command word;
- The 2nd Byte of each frame is serial number (SN).
User device insert SN when it send command frame, the SN will increase one (SN+1) after one frame successful transmission. SN shall reset to 0x00 after arrive 0xFF as a cycle period.
- Data Length (Example: LLLL) , which is the net length of data part .
Unit: Byte. Maxiam: 1024 Bytes
- CRC Part (Example: CCCC) , which is the CRC result of whole frame.
- Serial transmission sequence for "LLLL" and "CCCC": Low byte first, then higher byte

Data Transmit Command (SEND)

- User device use this command to send data to WIFI232-A11 module
- "SEND" frame structure:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6		N+5	N+6	N+7
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- Command Word: 01
- Serial Numbe: SS
- Reserve Part: 0000 (All reserve part shall set to "0")
- Data Length: LLLL (Data part" DDDD...DDDD" length)
- Data Content: DDDD.....DDDD
- CRC Check: CCCC

Data Transmit Acknowledge Command (SEND ACK)

- WIFI232-A11 module reply this command to acknowledge receive "SEND" frame data.
- "SEND ACK" frame structure:

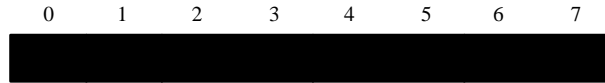
0	1	2	3	4
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- Command Word: 01
- Serial Number: SS
(Serial Number need keep the same with "SEND" command's serial number)
- Reserve Part: 0000 (All reserve part shall set to "0")
- Acknowledge Information: XX ("00" -- OK, "FF" or others --NOK)

Data Receive Request Command (RECV)

- User device use this command to send data receive request to WIFI232-A11 modules
- "RECV" frame structure:



- Command Word: 02
- Serial Number: SS
- Reserve Part: 0000 (All reserve part shall set to "0")
- Request Data Length: LLLL
- CRC Check: CCCC

Data Receive Acknowledge Command (RECV ACK)

- WIFI232-A11 module reply this command to acknowledge receive "RECV" command and insert data (as user device request's length or shorter) in the frame.
- "RECV ACK" frame structure:

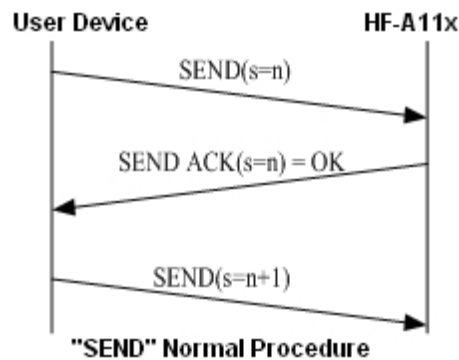


- Command Word: 02
- Serial Number: SS
(Serial Number need keep the same with "RECV" command's serial number)
- Reserve Part: 0000 (All reserve part shall set to "0")
- Data Length: LLLL (Length shall equal or shorter than request data length)
- Data Content: DDDD.....DDDD
- CRC Check: CCCC

1.4.2.2. Agreement Transmission Procedure

Agreement transmission mode procedure as following chart:

(This is a procedure user device hope to send data to WIFI232-A11 module)



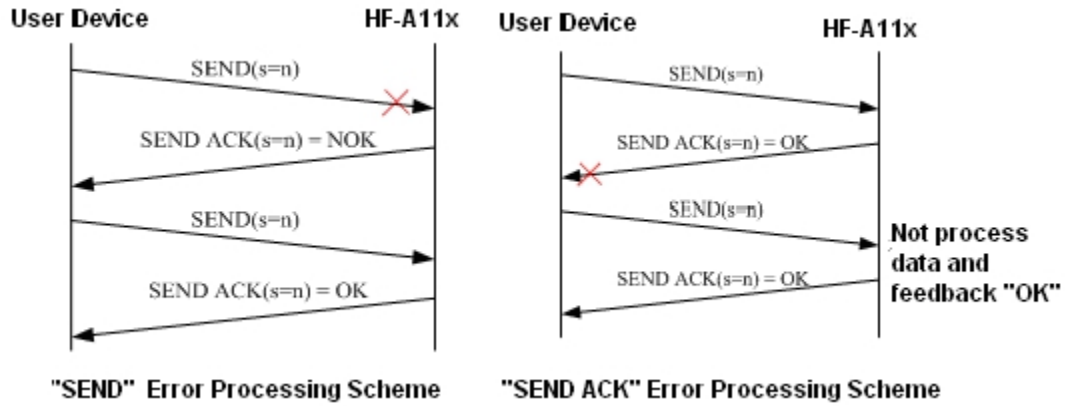


Figure 12. User Device Send Data to WIFI232-A11 Module Procedure

Notes: For Error scheme 1, if WIFI232-A11 receives wrong CRC information of "SEND" command, it will reply back "SEND ACK"=NOK. If WIFI232-A11 not receives "SEND" command for the link issue, user device need decide to retry.

(This is a procedure WIFI232-A11 module send data to user device procedure)

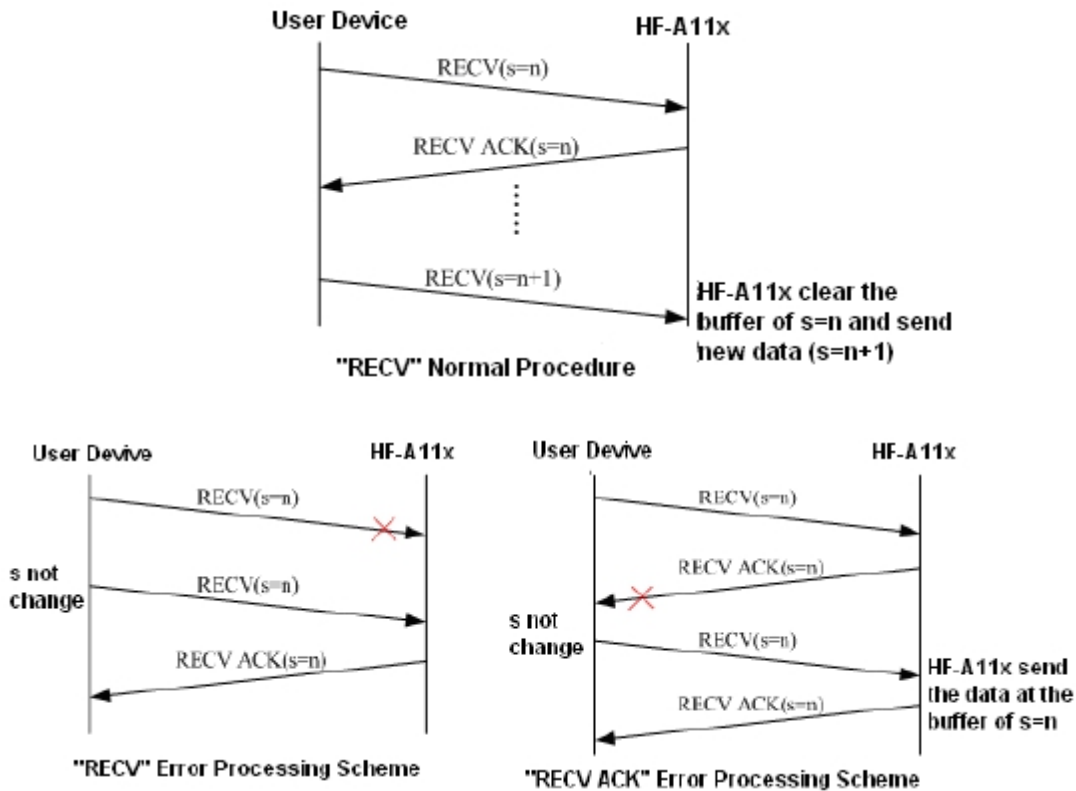


Figure 13. WIFI232-A11 Module Send Data to User Device Procedure

1.4.2.3. Agreement Transmission CRC Arithmetic
 CRC arithmetic C language reference code as following:

```
-----
u16 calc_sum(void *data, u32 len)
```

```

{
    u32 cksum=0;
    u16 *p=data;
    while (len > 1)
    {
        cksum += *p++;
        len -=2;
    }
    if (len)
    {
        cksum += *(u8 *)p;
    }
    cksum = (cksum >> 16) + (cksum & 0xffff);
    cksum += (cksum >>16);
    return ~cksum;
}

```

1.4.3. Configuration Mode

In configuration mode, user can finish WIFI232-A11 module configuration management and parameters setting work. In work mode (Transparent Transmission or Agreement Transmission), user can switch to the configuration mode through AT+instruction, detailed switch operation refer to “AT+ instruction set” chapter.

1.4.4. Multi-TCP Link Connection

When WIFI232-A11 module configured as TCP Server, it supports Multi-TCP link connection, and maxiam 32 TCP clients permit to connect to WIFI232-A11 module. User can realize multi-TCP link connetion at each work mode.

Multi-TCP link connection will work as following structure:

Upstream: All datas from different TCP connection or client will be transmited to the serial port as a sequence.

Downstream: All datas from serial port (user) will be duplicate and broadcast to every TCP connection or client.

Detailed multi-TCP link data transmission structure as following figure:

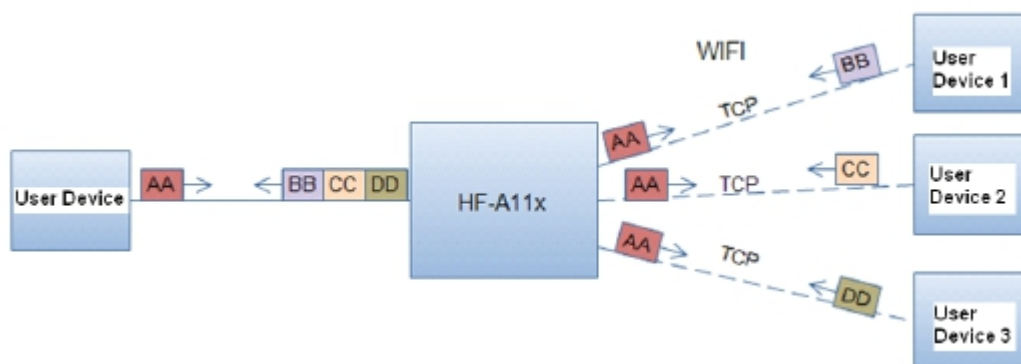


Figure 14. Multi-TCP Link Data Transmission Structure

2. FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

2.1. Wireless Networking

WIFI232-A11 module can be configured as both wireless STA and AP base on network type. Logically there are two interfaces in WIFI232-A11. One is for STA, and another is for AP. When WIFI232-A11 works as AP, other STA equipments are able to connect to wireless LAN via WIFI232-A11 module. Wireless Networking with WIFI232-A11 is very flexible.

Following figure shows the functional architecture of WIFI232-A11 module:

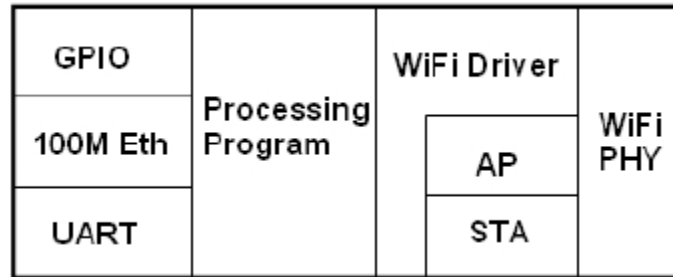


Figure 15. WIFI232-A11 Functional Architecture

Notes:

AP: that is the wireless Access Point, the founder of a wireless network and the center of the network nodes. The wireless router we use at home or in office may be an AP.

STA: short for Station, each terminal connects to a wireless network (such as laptops, PDA and other networking devices) can be called with a STA device.

2.1.1. Basic Wireless Network Based On AP (Infrastructure)

Infrastructure: it's also called basic network. It built by AP and many STAs which join in.

The characters of network of this type are that AP is the center, and all communication between STAs is transmitted through the AP. The figure following shows such type of networking.

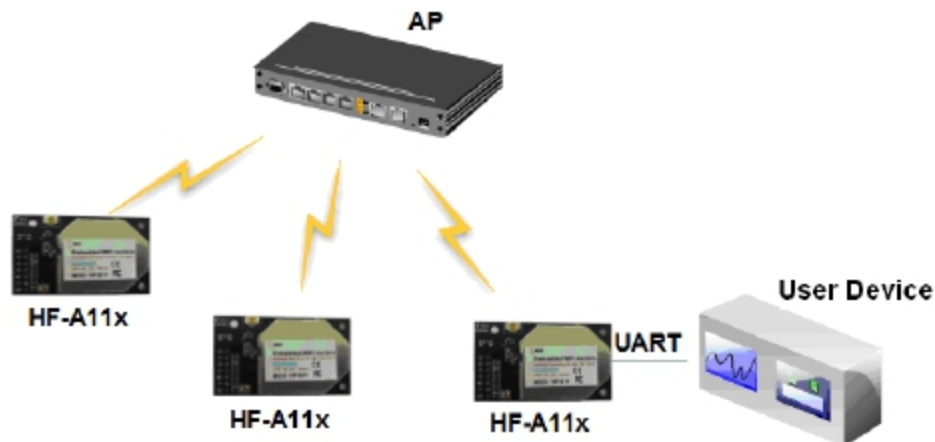


Figure 16. WIFI232-A11 Basic Wireless Network Structure

2.1.2. Wireless Network Based On Adhoc Network (Adhoc)

Adhoc: It's also called independent basic service set, and it's built by two or more STAs without AP, this type of network is a loose structure, all the STAs in the network can communicate directly.

As showing in the figure below, WIFI232-A11 (1) can be treat as an AP, and WIFI232-A11 (2), WIFI232-A11 (3) and the laptop are STAs connected to WIFI232-A11 (1). Meanwhile, all WIFI232-A11 modules can be connected to user device via UART interface. All WIFI232-A11 modules can be operated and managed through the laptop. So it is convenient to O&M all WIFI232-A11 modules. Moreover, in such Adhoc network structure, the whole coverage of a wireless network can be extended easily.

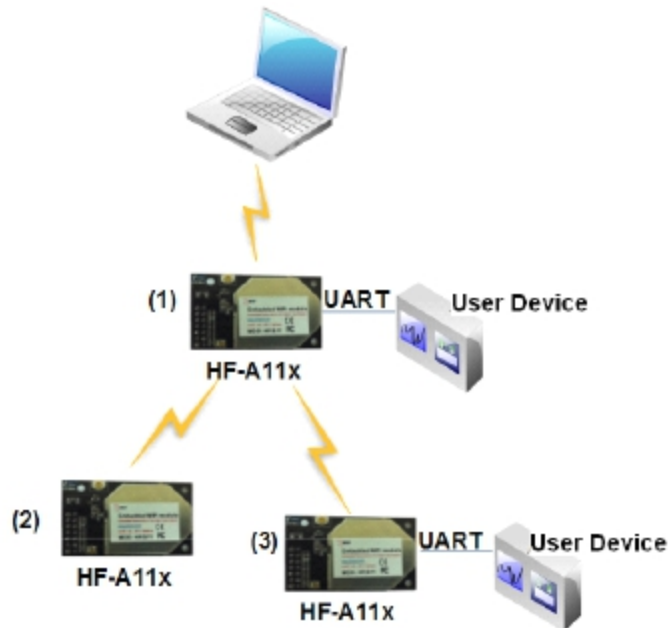


Figure 17. WIFI232-A11 Adhoc Network Structure

2.2. Security

WIFI232-A11 module supports multiple wireless encryption mechanisms, and enables to protect the security of user's data transmission, the mechanisms include:

- WEP
- WAP-PSK/TKIP
- WAP-PSK/AES
- WAP2-PSK/TKIP
- WPA2-PSK/AES

2.3. Address Binding

WIFI232-A11 module supports the feature of binding the BSSID address of target network. According to the provisions of 802.11 protocol, different wireless networks can have a same network name (ie SSID / ESSID), but must correspond to a unique BSSID address (ie MAC address). Illegal intruders can create a wireless network with the same SSID / ESSID, it will make STAs in the network to join to the illegal AP, thereby and then network leakage happen.

Users can prevent STA from joining to illegal network by binding the BSSID address, to improve wireless network security.

2.4. Ethernet Interface Communication

WIFI232-A11 module provides one 10/100M Ethernet interface. With this Ethernet interface, user can easily realize the three interface (WiFi, UART, and Ethernet) intercommunication and networking. WIFI232-A11 module can configured as **Bridge Mode** or **Router Mode** base on different networking technology.

Notes: For different networking requirement, WIFI232-A11 may need different firmware to support this function (Such as "N-Ver" and "Z-Ver" as following, which need customized firmware as customer detailed requirement). So, please contact with High-Flying technical support interface to know more about Ethernet interface networking application.

2.4.1. WIFI232-A11 Ethernet Interface Networking (As AP)



Figure 18. WIFI232-A11 Ethernet Interface Networking (As AP)

For above networking, WIFI232-A11 module works as AP and also the center of this network. All devices's IP address in this network shall use the same network segment with WIFI232-A11 and they can intercommunication with this method.

2.4.2. WIFI232-A11 Ethernet Interface Networking (As STA, N-Ver)



Figure 19. WIFI232-A11 Ethernet Interface Networking (As STA, N-Ver)

For above networking, WIFI232-A11 module works as STA (Firmware is N-Version), and module configured as router mode. When module connect to AP, it will get wireless port IP address from AP (For example: 192.168.1.100). At the same time, module also form a subnet (Default 10.10.100.254) and all devices connected to module Ethernet interface will get assigned IP address (For example: 10.10.100.101). So for above networking, PC1 at internal subnet can initiate a connection to PC2 (For WIFI232-A11 works as router mode), but PC2 can't active initiate a connection to PC1.

2.4.3. WIFI232-A11 Ethernet Interface Networking (As STA, Z-Ver)



Figure 20. WIFI232-A11 Ethernet Interface Networking (As STA, Z-Ver)

For above networking, WIFI232-A11 module works as STA (Firmware is Z-Version), and module configured as bridge mode. When module connect to AP, all devices connected to module Ethernet interface will get assigned IP address from AP (For example: 192.168.1.101). For module works as bridge mode, it can be treated as a transparent device and PC1, PC2 can communicate without any limit. But in this networking, WIFI232-A11 module needs assign a static LAN IP address (For example: 192.168.1.10) if module also needs communication with AP or configuration through web page.

2.5. Work Mode

WIFI232-A11 modules provide two kinds of work mode: Transparent transmission mode and Agreement Transmission mode. Transparent transmission mode achieves a plug and play serial data port, and reduces user complexity. Agreement Transmission mode can keep 100% accurate data transmission. User can configure dedicated work mode base on actual requirement, and save the configuration information to the flash of WIFI232-A11, then module will go into the appointed work mode after power up.

For a module which already finished parameters setting, it will try to connect a wireless network and server with these parameters after power up, and serial interface is also active with pre-configured parameters. Then all the data is transferred directly between serial interface and Wifi interface without any interpreted.

The parameters which need to configured include:

- Wireless Network Parameters**
 - Wireless Network Name (SSID)
 - Security Mode
 - Encryption Key
- TCP/UDP Linking Parameters**
 - Protocol Type
 - Link Type (Server or Client)
 - Target Port ID Number
 - Target Port IP Address
- Serial Port Parameters**
 - Baud Rate
 - Data Bit
 - Parity (Check) Bit
 - Stop Bit
 - Hardware Flow Control
- Work Mode Selection**
 - Transparent transmission or Agreement Transmission mode

Transparent transmission demo as showing in the following figure, a WIFI232-A11 module can be taken as a virtual serial line when UART interface working in transparent transmission mode. And user device will realize wireless data transmission almost without any changes.



Figure 21. WIFI232-A11 Transparent Transmission Demo

2.6. Network Protocol

WIFI232-A11 module supports TCP/UDP network protocol and the port parameters can be set via web accessing or AT+instruction set.

2.7. Parameters Configuration

WIFI232-A11 module supports two methods to configurate parameters: **Web Accessing** and **AT+instruction set**.

Web accessing means users can configure parameters through Web browser. When WIFI232-A11 module connected to wireless network, parameters configuration is done on a PC connected to the same wireless network. AT+instruction set configuration means user configure parameters through serial interface command. Refer to “AT+instruction set” chapter for more detail.

Notes:

High-Flying can customized the parameters setting as customer request and ship WIFI232-A11 modules with these parameters as factory default configuration. It will reduce user’s module configuration time for mass production. Also, if user need different parameters setting for every module, High-Flying can provide the **auto-configuration tool** to speed up the module configuration duration. Please contact High-Flying technical interface to acquire this tool if required.

2.8. Firmware Upgrade

WIFI232-A11 module supports firmware upgrade online; User can upgrade firmware via web access.

2.9. GPIO Function

WIFI232-A11 module can provide maxiam 7 GPIO pins, Refer to “1.2.1 Pin Definition” charter, which include 4 UART pins and 3 general use pins can be customized as GPIO pins if these functions are not required. As GPIO functional pin, user devices can read/write GPIO pins status through AT+instruction set.

3. OPERATION GUIDELINE

3.1. Configuration via Web Accessing

When first use WIFI232-A11 modules, user may need some configuration. User can connect to HF-A11x module's wireless interface with following default setting information and configure the module through laptop.

Table 5 WIFI232-A11 Web Access Default Setting

Parameters	Default Setting
SSID	HF-A11x_AP
IP Address	10.10.100.254
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
User Name	admin
Password	admin

3.1.1. Open Web Management Interface

Step 1: Connect laptop to SSID "HF-A11_AP" of WIFI232-A11 module via wireless LAN card;
 Step 2: After wireless connection OK. Open Wen browser and access "<http://10.10.100.254>";
 Step 3: Then input user name and password in the page as following and click "OK" button.



Figure 22. Open Web Management page

The WIFI232-A11 web management page support English and Chinese language. User can select language environment at the top right corner and click "Apply" button.

The main menu include five pages: "Mode Selection", "AP Interface Setting", "STA Interface Setting", "Application Setting", and "Device Management"

Notes:

Default, High-Flying suggests all Web management related operation shall excute at AP mode. (Even you need configure STA parameters and want module works as STA mode). If user selects STA mode and still want to configurate the module through Web browser, you have to access the module through another AP (and get the module IP address through this AP.)

3.1.2. Mode Selection Page

This page use to setting the module working mode (Transparent Transmission or Agreement Transmission) and wireless networking mode (AP and STA mode).

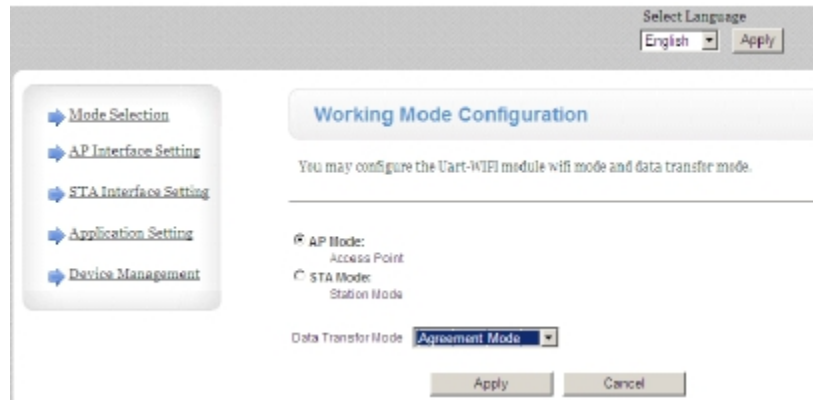


Figure 23. Mode Selection Page

3.1.3. AP Interface Setting Page

This page use to setting the parameters when WIFI232-A11 module works as AP.

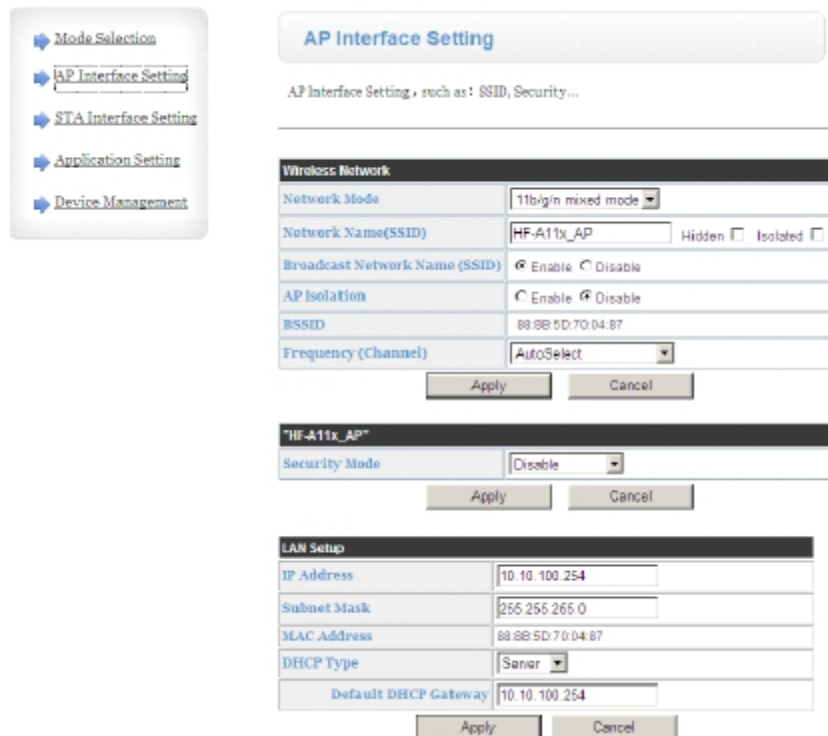


Figure 24. AP Interface Setting Page

3.1.4. STA Interface Setting Page

This page use to setting the parameters when WIFI232-A11 module works as STA.
Such as SSID of AP which module need to connected, and also select the networking type:
DHCP or static IP address.

Figure 25. STA Interface Setting Page

3.1.5. Application Setting Page

This page is used to setting the parameters of serial port communication, such as UART setting and high layer network protocol setting which used support serial communication.

Figure 26. Application Setting Page

Notes:

Generally, Network protocols support three modes: **TCP Server, TCP Client, and UDP**. UDP has no server and client requirement according to standard.

Besides module working as TCP Server (IP address not required in this mode). User must set the IP address of the device which need communicate with WIFI232-A11 module.

Also the Port ID between two sides of the communication devices must keep the same.

3.1.6. Device Management Page

This page use to manage WIFI232-A11 module general setting, such as administrator setting, restart module button, restore factory default setting button, and update firmware through webpage.

Figure 27. Device Management Page

Notes:

Restart module button: When you setting the parameters of different web pages, you will click “Apply” button to confirm the setting, but the setting take effect only after user click the “Restart” button here, the module will re-boot up and reflash the memory information with new changes.

3.2. WIFI232-A11 Usage Introduction

3.2.1. Software Debug Tools

High-Flying use two common software tools debugging and applying WIFI232-A11 modules. (User can also select other tools used to debug serial and Ethernet port).

- Serial Debugging Software: ComTools
- Ethernet Debugging Software: TCPUDPDbg

3.2.2. Network Connection

User can select two methods to connect WIFI232-A11 module base on dedicated application.

☒ Use WIFI232-A11 STA interface

WIFI232-A11 and debug PC2 connect to a wireless AP, another PC1 (or user device) connect to HF-A11x module with serial port:



Figure 28. STA Interface Debug Connection

☒ Use WIFI232-A11 AP interface

Debug PC2 connect to WIFI232-A11 through wireless connection, another PC1 (or user device) connect to WIFI232-A11 module with serial port.



Figure 29. AP Interface Debug Connection

3.2.3. Module Debug

PC1 open “-TCP232-Test” program, setting the same serial port parameters with WIFI232-A11 module and open serial port connection.

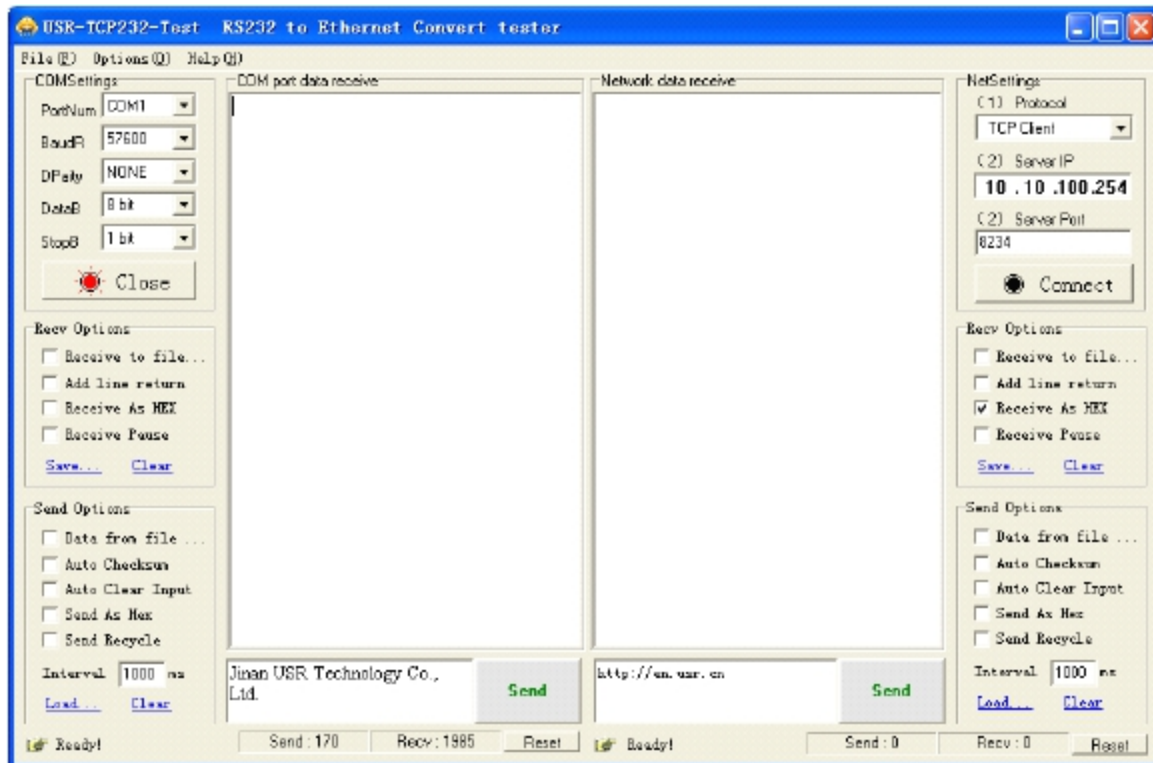


Figure 30. "CommTools" Serial Debug Tools

PC2 open "TCPUDPDbg" program, and create a new connection. If WIFI232-A11 configured as Server mode, "TCPUDPDbg" Tools shall create "Client" mode connection. Or otherwise, create a "Server" mode connection. Then, click "Connect" button to create a connection.

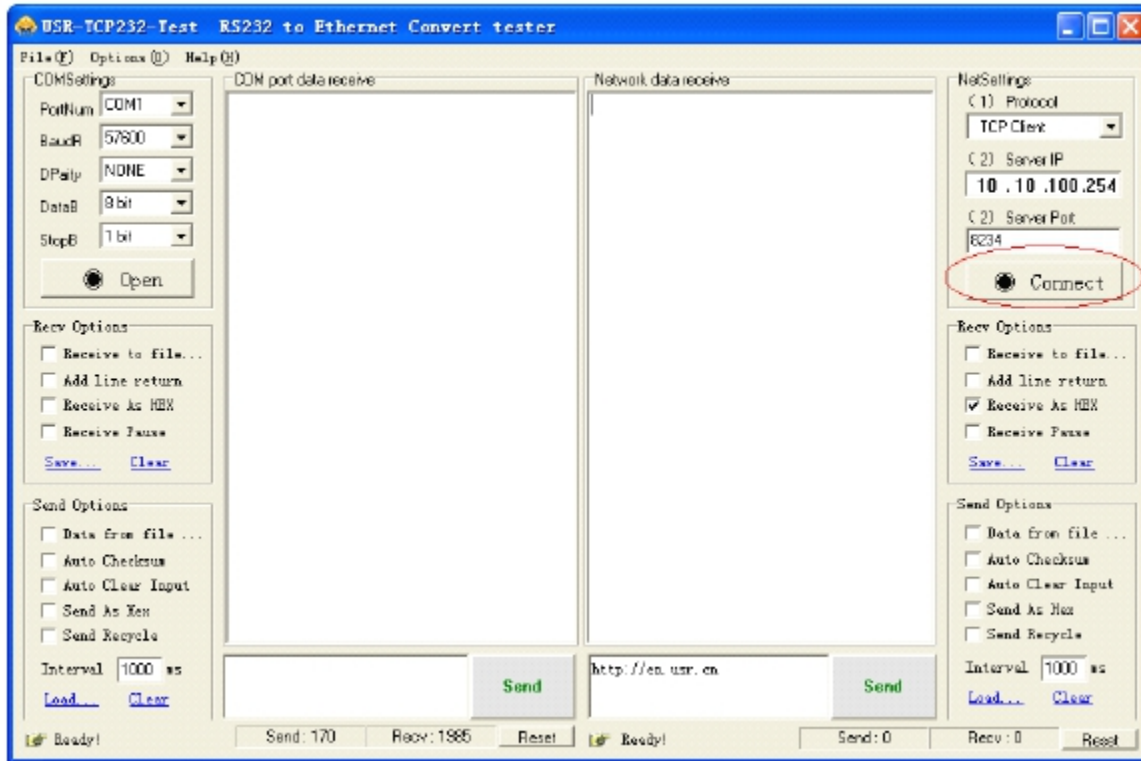


Figure 31. "TCPUDPDbg" Tools Connection

Now, in transparent transmission mode (WIFI232-A11 default setting), data can be transferred from "CommTools" program to "TCPUDPDbg" program, or in reverse. You can see data in receiver side will keep same as in sender side.

3.3. Typical Application Examples

3.3.1. Wireless Control Application



Figure 32. Wireless Control Application

For this wireless control application, WIFI232-A11 works as AP mode. Module's serial port connects to user device. So, control agent (Smart phone for this example) can manage and control the user device through the wireless connection with WIFI232-A11 module.

3.3.2. Remote Management Application

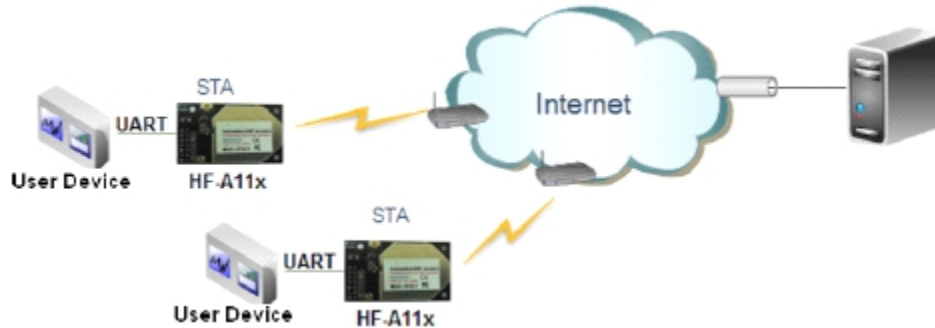


Figure 33. Remote Management Application

For this remote management application, WIFI232-A11 works as STA mode and connects to Internet through wireless AP. Module configured as TCP Client and communicates with remote TCP server at Internet. Module's serial port connects to user device.

So, user device's data or sampling information can send to remote TCP server for storage or processing. Also remote TCP server can send command to control and manage the user device through the wireless network.

3.3.3. Transparent Serial Port Application

For this transparent serial port application, two WIFI232-A11 modules connect as below figures to build up a transparent serial port connection.



Figure 34. Transparent Serial Port Application

For left side WIFI232-A11 module, configured as AP mode and use default SSID and IP address, network protocol configured as TCP/Server mode, and protocol port ID: 8899.

For right side WIFI232-A11 module, configured as STA mode and setting the same SSID ("HF-A11x_AP" for this example) with left side WIFI232-A11 module, enable DHCP network and network protocol configured as TCP/Client mode, protocol port ID: 8899. Target IP address part setting the same IP address with left side WIFI232-A11 module ("10.10.100.254" for this example).

When right side WIFI232-A11 boot up, it will find wireless AP (SSID: WIFI232-A11_AP for this example) and open TCP/Client network protocol to connect with left side module's TCP/Server. All these operation will be automatic and after finished, the two user devices connected to WIFI232-A11 module through serial port can communicate each other and think the connection between them is fully transparent.

3.3.4. Wireless Data Acquisition Card Application

For this wireless data acquisition card application, one PC works as data server and every data acquisition card connects with a WIFI232-A11 module to support wireless connection function.

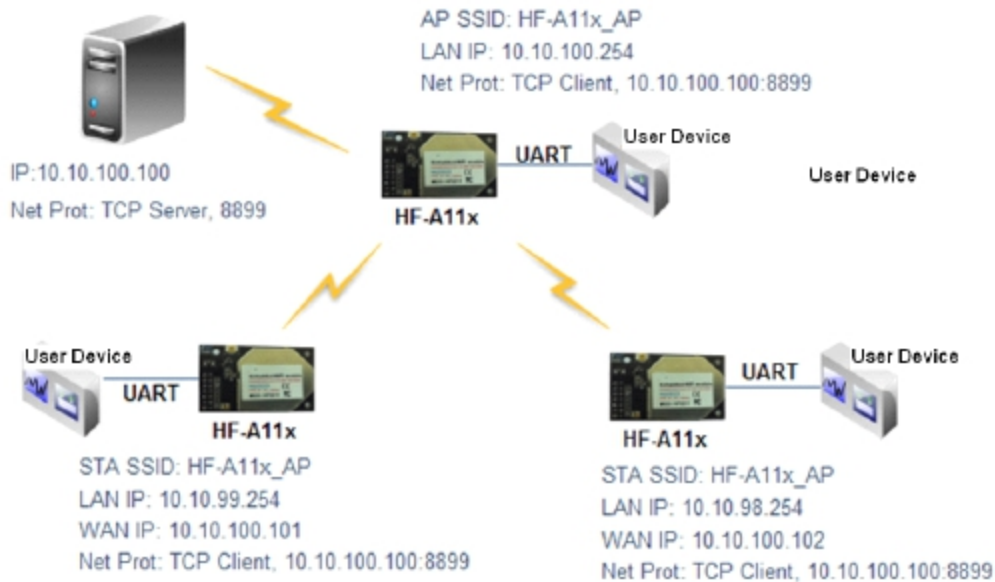


Figure 35. Wireless Data Acquisition Card Application

As above figure, one WIFI232-A11 configured as AP mode and all others configured as STA mode. All WIFI232-A11 which configured as STA and data server PC wireless connected to WIFI232-A11 which configured as AP to make a wireless network.

Data server PC open TCP/Server protocol and all WIFI232-A11 modules open TCP/Client protocol. All data acquisition cards' data and sampling information can be transmitted to data server PC for operation.

4. AT+INSTRUCTION INTRODUCTION

4.1. Configuration Mode

When WIFI232-A11 power up, it will defaultly works as transparent transmission mode, then user can switch to configuration mode by serial port command. WIFI232-A11 UART default parameters setting as below figure,

Uart Setting	
Baudrate	57600
Data Bits	8
Parity	None
Stop	1
CTSRTS	Disable

Figure 36. WIFI232-A11 Default UART Port Parameters

In configuration mode, user can setting the module through AT+ instruction set, which cover all web page setting function.

4.1.1. Switch to Configuration Mode

Two steps to finish switching from transparent transmission mode to configuration mode.

- ☒ UART input “+++”, after module receive “+++”, and feedback “a” as confirmation.
- ☒ UART input “a”, after module receive “a” and feedback “+ok” to go into AT+ instruction set configuration mode.

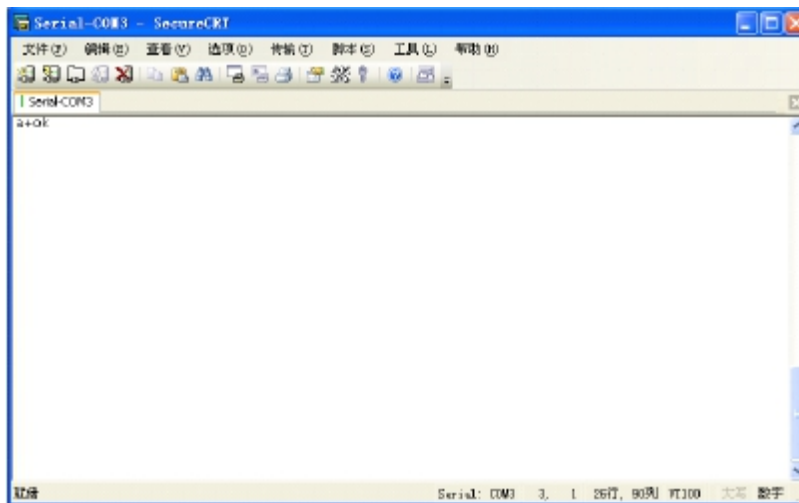


Figure 37. Switch to Configuration Mode

Notes:

1. When user input “+++” (No “Enter” key required), the UART port will display feedback information “a”, and not display input information “+++” as above UART display.
2. Any other input or wrong step to UART port will cause the module still works as original mode (transparent transmission).

4.2. AT+ Instruction Set Overview

User can input AT+ Instruction through hyper terminal or other serial debug terminal, also can program the AT+ Instruction to script. User can also input "AT+H" to list all AT+ Instruction and description to start.

```

Serial-COM3 - SecureCRT
文件(F) 编辑(E) 查看(V) 选项(O) 传输(T) 脚本(S) 工具(U) 帮助(H)
Serial-COM3
a+ok
AT+H
+ok=
AT+: NONE command, reply "+ok".
AT+E: Echo ON/off, to turn on/off command line echo function.
AT+ENTM: GOTO Through Mode.
AT+NETP: Set/Get the Net Protocol Parameters.
AT+UART: Set/Get the UART Parameters.
AT+MODE: Set/Get the WIFI Operation Mode (AP or STA)
AT+WSKEY: Set/Get the Security Parameters of WIFI STA Mode.
AT+WSSSID: Set/Get the AP's SSID of WIFI STA Mode.
AT+WCBU: Set/Get the Login Parameters of WCB page.
AT+WAP: Set/Get the Parameters of WIFI AP Mode.
AT+WAKKEY: Set/Get the Security Parameters of WIFI AP Mode
AT+WSCAN: Get the AP site survey (only for STA Mode)
AT+Z: RBSSET the Module
AT+MID: Get The Module Id, eg. A11-yyymmddxxxx (yy:year, mm:month, dd:day, xxxx:serial nun)
AT+H: Help
  
```

Figure 38. "AT+H" Instruction for Help

4.2.1. Instruction Syntax Format

AT+Instruction protocol is based on the instruction of ASCII command style, the description of syntax format as follow.

- Format Description**
 - < >: Means the parts must be included
 - []: Means the optional part

- Command Message**

AT+<CMD>[op][para-1,para-2,para-3,para-4...]<CR>

- AT+: Prefix of command message;
- CMD: Command string;
- [op]: Symbol of command operator,
 - "=": The command requires parameters input;
 - "NULL": Query the current command parameters setting;
- [para-n]: Parameters input for setting if required;
- <CR>: "Enter" Key, it's 0x0a or 0x0d in ASCII;

Notes: When input AT+Instruction, "AT+<CMD>" character will display capital letter automatic and other parts will not change as you input.

- Response Message**

+<RSP>[op] [para-1,para-2,para-3,para-4...]<CR><LF><CR><LF>

- +: Prefix of response message;
- RSP: Response string;

- "ok" : Success
- "ERR": Failure
- [op] : =
- [para-n]: Parameters if query command or Error code when error happened;
- <CR>: ASCII 0x0d;
- <LF>: ASCII 0x0a;

Error Code

Table 6 Error Code DescriptionWIFI232-A11 Web Access Default Setting

Error Code	Description
-1	Invalid Command Format
-2	Invalid Command
-3	Invalid Operation Symbol
-4	Invalid Parameter
-5	Operation Not Permitted

4.2.2. AT+ Instruction Set

Table 7 AT+ Instruction Set List

Instruction	Description
<null>	NULL
E	Open/Close show back function
ENTM	Set module into transparent transmission mode
NETP	Set/Query network protocol parameters
UART	Set/Query serial port parameters
TMODE	Set/Query data transmission mode (transparent transmission or agreement transmission)
WMODE	Set/Query WIFI work mode (AP or STA)
WSKEY	Set/Query WIFI security parameters as STA
WSSSID	Set/Query WIFI target AP SSID parameters as STA
WSLK	Query WiFi link status as STA
WSLQ	Query WiFi signal strength as STA
WEBU	Set/Query WEB page login parameters (User Name and Password)
WAP	Set/Query WIFI parameters as AP
WAKEY	Set/Query WIFI security parameters as AP
MSLP	Set modules into power save mode.(Turn OFF WiFi)
WSCAN	Seek AP when module works as STA mode
TCPLK	Query if TCP link already buildup
WANN	Set/Query WAN setting, only effective as STA mode
LANN	Set/Query LAN setting, only effective as AP mode
DHCPGW	Set/Query DHCP gateway address
TCPTO	Set/Query TCP timeout
EPHY	Open/Close ETH interface
RELD	Restore to factory default setting
Z	Re-start module

MID	Query module ID information
VER	Query module software version information
H	Help

Notes: WIFI232-A11 module can works as AP or STA, user have to use different AT+ Instruction to set WiFi parameters when module works as AP or STA mode.

4.2.2.1. AT+E

- Function: Open/Close show back function;
- Format:

```
AT+E<CR>
+ok<CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >
```

When WIFI232-A11 module firstly switch from transparent transmission to configuration mode, show back status is open, input "AT+E" to close show back function, input "AT+E" again to open show back function.

4.2.2.2. AT+ENTM

- Function: Set module into transparent transmission mode;
- Format:

```
AT+ENTM<CR>
+ok<CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >
```

When operate this command, module switch from configuration mode to transparent transmission mode.

4.2.2.3. AT+NETP

- Function: Set/Query network protocol parameters;
- Format:
 - Query Operation

```
AT+NETP<CR>
+ok=<protocol,CS,port,IP><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >
```

- Set Operation

```
AT+NETP=<protocol,CS,port,IP><CR>
+ok<CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >
```

- Parameters:
 - protocol:
 - TCP
 - UDP
 - CS: Network mode:
 - SERVER
 - CLIENT
 - Port: protocol port ID: Decimal digit and less than 65535
 - IP: Server's IP address when module set as client

After WIFI232-A11 module boots up again, the setting will be effective.

4.2.2.4. AT+UART

- Function: Set/Query serial port parameters;
- Format:
 - Query Operation

```
AT+UART<CR>
```

```
+ok=<baudrate,data_bits,stop_bit,parity,flowctrl><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >
```

```
 Set Operation
```

```
AT+UART=<baudrate,data_bits,stop_bit,parity><CR>
```

```
+ok<CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >
```

```
 Parameters:
```

```
 baudrate:
```

```
 50,75,110,134,150,200,300,600,1200,1800,2400,4800,9600,19200,38400,57600,115200
```

```
 data_bits:
```

```
 5,6,7,8
```

```
 stop_bits:
```

```
 1,2
```

```
 parity:
```

```
 NONE,EVEN,ODD,MARK,SPACE
```

```
 flowctrl: hardware flow control (CTSRTS)
```

```
 NFC: No flow control
```

```
 FC: flow control
```

After WIFI232-A11 module boots up again, the setting will be effective.

4.2.2.5. AT+TMODE

```
 Function: Set/Query data transmission mode;
```

```
 Format:
```

```
 Query Operation
```

```
AT+TMODE<CR>
```

```
+ok=<tmode><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >
```

```
 Set Operation
```

```
AT+ TMODE=<tmode><CR>
```

```
+ok<CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >
```

```
 Parameters:
```

```
 tmode: Data transmission mode
```

```
 Through: Transparent transmission
```

```
 Agreement: Agreement transmission
```

After WIFI232-A11 module boots up again, the setting will be effective.

4.2.2.6. AT+WMODE

```
 Function: Set/Query WIFI work mode;
```

```
 Format:
```

```
 Query Operation
```

```
AT+WMODE<CR>
```

```
+ok=<mode><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >
```

```
 Set Operation
```

```
AT+ WMODE=<mode><CR>
```

```
+ok<CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >
```

```
 Parameters:
```

```
 mode:WIFI work mode
```

```
 AP
```

```
 STA
```

After WIFI232-A11 module boots up again, the setting will be effective.

4.2.2.7. AT+WSKEY

```
 Function: Set/Query WIFI security parameters as STA;
```

```
 Format:
```

```
 Query Operation
```

```
AT+WSKEY<CR>
```

```
+ok=<auth,ency,key><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >
```

- Set Operation
- AT+ WSKEY=< auth, encry, key><CR>**
- +ok<CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >**
- Parameters:
 - auth: Authentication mode
 - OPEN
 - SHARED
 - WPAPSK
 - encry: Encryption algorithm
 - NONE: When "auth=OPEN", effective
 - WEP: When "auth=OPEN" or "SHARED", effective
 - TKIP: When "auth= WPAPSK", effective
 - AES: When "auth= WPAPSK", effective
 - key: password, ASCII code, shall less than 64 bit and greater than 8bit

This Instruction only effective for WIFI232-A11 works as STA. After WIFI232-A11 module boots up again, the setting will be effective. But user can set this command when module configured as AP.

4.2.2.8. AT+WSSSID

- Function: Set/Query WIFI target AP SSID parameters as STA.
- Format:
 - Query Operation
 - AT+WSSSID<CR>**
 - +ok=<ap's ssid><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >**
 - Set Operation
 - AT+ WSSSID=<ap's ssid ><CR>**
 - +ok<CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >**
- Parameters:
 - ap's ssid: AP's SSID

This Instruction only effective for WIFI232-A11 works as STA. After WIFI232-A11 module boots up again, the setting will be effective. But user can set this command when module configured as AP.

4.2.2.9. AT+ WSLK

- Function: Query WiFi link status as STA
- Format:
 - Query Operation
 - AT+ WSLK<CR>**
 - +ok=<ret><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >**
- Parameters:
 - ret
 - "Disconnected", if no WiFi connection;
 - "AP' SSID (AP's MAC") , if WiFi connection available;
 - "RF Off", if WiFi OFF;

This Instruction only effective for WIFI232-A11 works as STA. After WIFI232-A11 module boots up again, the setting will be effective. But user can set this command when module configured as AP.

4.2.2.10. AT+ WSLQ

- Function: Query WiFi signal strength as STA
- Format:
 - Query Operation
 - AT+ WSLQ<CR>**
 - +ok=<ret><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >**
- Parameters:
 - ret
 - "Disconnected", if no WiFi connection;
 - "AP's WiFi signal strength" , if WiFi connection available;

This Instruction only effective for WIFI232-A11 works as STA. After WIFI232-A11 module boots up again, the setting will be effective. But user can set this command when module configured as AP.

4.2.2.11. AT+WEBU

- Function: Set/Query WEB page login parameters;
- Format:
 - Query Operation
- AT+WEBU<CR>**
- +ok=<,password><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >**
- Set Operation
- AT+ WEBU=< ,password ><CR>**
- +ok<CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >**
- Parameters:
 - : User name for WEB page access;
 - password: Password for WEB page access;

4.2.2.12. AT+WAP

- Function: Set/Query WIFI parameters as AP;
- Format:
 - Query Operation
- AT+WAP<CR>**
- +ok=<wifi_mode,ssid,channel><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >**
- Set Operation
- AT+ WAP=<wifi_mode,ssid,channel><CR>**
- +ok<CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >**
- Parameters:
 - wifi_mode: WiFi protocol
 - 11BG
 - 11B
 - 11G
 - 11BGN
 - 11N
 - ssid: SSID when module works as AP;
 - channel: WIFI channel selection
 - AUTO
 - CH1~CH14

This Instruction only effective for WIFI232-A11 works as AP. After WIFI232-A11 module boots up again, the setting will be effective. But user can set this command when module configured as STA.

4.2.2.13. AT+WAKEY

- Function: Set/Query WIFI security parameters as AP;
- Format:
 - Query Operation
- AT+WAKEY<CR>**
- +ok=<auth,encry,key><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >**
- Set Operation
- AT+ WAKEY=< auth,encry,key><CR>**
- +ok<CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >**
- Parameters:
 - auth: Authentication mode
 - OPEN
 - SHARED
 - WPAPSK
 - encry:Encryption algorithm
 - NONE: When "auth=OPEN", effective;

- WEP: When “auth=OPEN”, effective or “SHARED”, effective;
- TKIP: When “auth=WPAPSK”, effective;
- AES:When “auth=WPAPSK”, effective;
- TKIPAES:When “auth=WPAPSK”, effective;

- key: password, ASCII code, shall less than 64 bit and greater than 8bit;

This Instruction only effective for WIFI232-A11 works as AP. After WIFI232-A11 module boots up again, the setting will be effective. But user can set this command when module configured as STA.

4.2.2.14. AT+MSLP

- Function: Set moduels into power save mode.(Turn OFF WiFi);
- Format:
 - Query Operation
 - AT+MSLP<CR>**
 - +ok=<sta.><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >**
 - Set Operation
 - AT+MSLP=<on/off><CR>**
 - +ok<CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >**
- Parameters:
 - When Query,sta reply if the module in sleep mode;
 - On - Module not in sleep mode (WiFi ON);
 - Off - Module in sleep mode(WiFi OFF);
 - When Set,
 - Off - Set module to sleep mode (WiFi OFF);
 - On - Set module to normal mode (WiFi ON);

When module go into sleep mode, user can input “AT+MSLP=on” to re-start the module and module go into transparent transmission mode.

4.2.2.15. AT+WSCAN

- Function: Seek AP when module works as STA mode;
- Format:
 - AT+WSCAN<CR>**
 - +ok=<ap_site><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >**
- Parameters:
 - ap_site: AP searched;

4.2.2.16. AT+TCPLK

- Function: Query if TCP link already buildup;
- Format:
 - AT+TCPLK<CR>**
 - +ok=<sta><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >**
- Parameters:
 - sta.: if module already setup TCP link;
 - on: TCP link setup;
 - off: TCP link not setup;

4.2.2.17. AT+WANN

- Function: Set/Query WAN setting, only effective as STA mode;
- Format:
 - Query Operation
 - AT+WANN<CR>**
 - +ok=<mode,address,mask,gateway><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >**
 - Set Operation
 - AT+WANN=< mode,address,mask,gateway ><CR>**
 - +ok<CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >**
- Parameters:
 - mode: IP setting for WAN port

- static: Static IP
- DHCP: Dynamic IP
- address: WAN port IP address;
- mask: WAN port subnet mask;
- gateway: WAN port gateway address;

This Instruction only effective for WIFI232-A11 works as STA. After WIFI232-A11 module boots up again, the setting will be effective. But user can set this command when module configured as AP.

4.2.2.18. AT+ LANN

- Function: Set/Query LAN setting, only effective as AP mode;
 - Format:
 - Query Operation
- AT+LANN<CR>**
+ok=<address,mask ><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >
- Set Operation
- AT+ LANN=<address,mask ><CR>**
+ok<CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >
- Parameters:
 - address: LAN port IP address;
 - mask: LAN port subnet mask;

This Instruction only effective for WIFI232-A11 works as AP. After WIFI232-A11 module boots up again, the setting will be effective. But user can set this command when module configured as STA.

4.2.2.19. AT+ DHCPGW

- Function: Set/Query DHCP gateway address;
 - Format:
 - Query Operation
- AT+ DHCPGW<CR>**
+ok=<address><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >
- Set Operation
- AT+ DHCPGW=<address ><CR>**
+ok<CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >
- Parameters:
 - address: DHCP gate address;

4.2.2.20. AT+ TCPTO

- Function: Set/Query TCP timeout;
 - Format:
 - Query Operation
- AT+ TCPTO<CR>**
+ok=<time><CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >
- Set Operation
- AT+ TCPTO=<time ><CR>**
+ok<CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >
- Parameters:
 - time: TCP timeout time.
 - <= 600, (600s);
 - >=0, (0 means no timeout);
 - Default, 300s;

4.2.2.21. AT+ EPHY

- Function: Open/Close ETH interface;
 - Format:
 - Set Operation
- AT+ EPHY=<on/off><CR>**
+ok<CR>< LF ><CR>< LF >

- Parameters:
 - On/off
 - Off: Close Ethernet port function;
 - On: Open Ethernet port function;

Close module's Ethernet port function can reduce the power consumption. The default setting for WIFI232-A11 is close Ethernet port function.

4.2.2.22. AT+RELD

- Function: Restore to factory default setting;
- Format:
 - AT+RELD<CR>**
 - +ok=rebooting...<CR><LF><CR><LF>**

This command restore the module to factory default setting, then re-start the module.

4.2.2.23. AT+Z

- Function: Re-start module;
- Format:
 - AT+Z<CR>**

4.2.2.24. AT+MID

- Function: Query module ID information;
- Format:
 - Query Operation
 - AT+MID<CR>**
 - +ok=<module_id><CR><LF><CR><LF>**
- Parameters:
 - module_id: Module ID information;
 - A11-yymmddnnnn "yymmdd" date; "nnnn" serial number;

4.2.2.25. AT+VER

- Function: Query module software version information;
- Format:
 - Query Operation
 - AT+VER<CR>**
 - +ok=<ver><CR><LF><CR><LF>**
- Parameters:
 - ver: Module software version information;

4.2.2.26. AT+H

- Function: Help;
- Format:
 - Query Operation
 - AT+H<CR>**
 - +ok=<command help><CR><LF><CR><LF>**
- Parameters:

APPENDIX A: QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q1: How to configure transparent serial port application (TCP protocol) with two WIFI232-A11 modules?

- ☒ Network structure as below figure:
 - ☒ Module 1# Setting:
 - ☒ Works as AP mode; *--See "Mode Selection Page"*
 - ☒ LAN IP address: 10.10.100.254; *--See "AP Interface Setting Page"*
 - ☒ Network Protocol:TCP/Server, Port ID: 8899; *-- See "Applicaition Setting Page"* (Module default setting);
 - ☒ Module 2# Setting:
 - ☒ Works as STA mode; *--See "Mode Selection Page"*
 - ☒ WAN connection type: DHCP or Static IP (For this example:10.10.100.100) *--See "STA Interface Setting Page"*
 - ☒ Network Protocol:TCP/Client, Port ID: 8899; Application IP address: Module 1#'s LAN IP address (10.10.100.254); *-- See "Applicaition Setting Page"*
 - ☒ **Notes:** When module 2# works as STA mode, module's WiFi interface works as WAN port. Module's WAN IP address and LAN IP address shall be setting different segment. So, module 2#'s LAN IP address must change to other segment; (For this sample, we change to 10.10.99.254); *--See "AP Interface Setting Page"*



Figure 39. Configure Transparent Serial Port Connection (TCP)

Q2: Where to Set WIFI232-A11 Module LAN IP and WAN IP through Web Page?

- ☒ WIFI232-A11 Wireless LAN IP address setting see "AP Interface Setting Page" as below Figure,

LAN Setup	
IP Address	10.10.100.254
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
MAC Address	98.88.5D.70.04.87
DHCP Type	Server
Default DHCP Gateway	10.10.100.254
<input type="button" value="Apply"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/>	

Figure 40. Module LAN IP Setting

- ☒ WIFI232-A11 Wireless WAN IP address setting see “STA Interface Setting Page” as below Figure, User can set WAN connection type to DHCP and STATIC IP.

WAN Connection Type: STATIC (fixed IP)

Static Mode	
IP Address	10.10.99.254
Subnet Mask	255.255.0.0
Default Gateway	10.10.99.254

Figure 41. Module WAN IP Setting

Q3: How to configure transparent serial port application (UDP protocol) with two WIFI232-A11 modules?

- ☒ Network structure as below figure:
 - ☒ Module 1# Setting:
 - ☒ Works as AP mode; --See “Mode Selection Page”
 - ☒ LAN IP address: 10.10.100.254; --See “AP Interface Setting Page”
 - ☒ Network Protocol:UDP, Port ID: 8899; Application IP address:10.10.100.100; -- See “Applicaition Setting Page”
 - ☒ Module 2# Setting:
 - ☒ Works as STA mode; --See “Mode Selection Page”
 - ☒ WAN connection type: Static IP (10.10.100.100) --See “STA Interface Setting Page”
 - ☒ Network Protocol:UDP, Port ID: 8899; Application IP address: Module 1#'s LAN IP address (10.10.100.254); -- See “Applicaition Setting Page”
 - ☒ LAN IP address: 10.10.99.254 (Different net segment with WAN port) --See “AP Interface Setting Page”

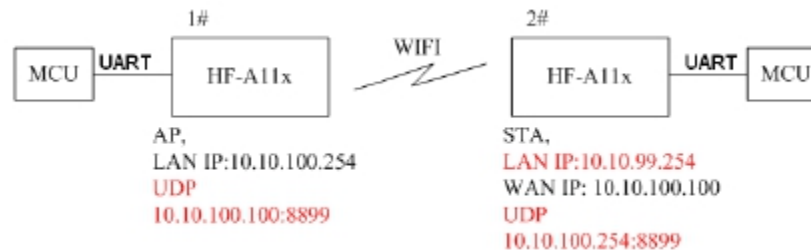


Figure 42. Configure Transparent Serial Port Connection (UDP)

Q4: Where to set WIFI232-A11 module network protocol (TCP/UDP)?

- ☒ WIFI232-A11 network protocol setting see “Applicaition Setting Page” as below Figure,
 - ☒ Protocol: TCP Server
 - ☒ Only Port ID required: 8899 (Default)

Net Setting	
Mode	Server
Protocol	TCP
Port	8899
IP Address	10.10.10.100
TCP Time out (MAX 600 s)	300

Figure 43. Module Network Protocol: TCP/Server

- Protocol: TCP Client
 - Application IP address required: it's target TCP server 's IP address;
 - Port ID required: 8899 (Default)

Net Setting	
Mode	Client
Protocol	TCP
Port	8899
IP Address	10.10.10.100
TCP Time out (MAX 600 s)	300

Figure 44. Module Network Protocol: TCP/Client

- Protocol: UDP
 - No Server/Client selection required;
 - Application IP address required: it's target device 's IP address;
 - Port ID required: 8899 (Default)

Net Setting	
Mode	Client
Protocol	UDP
Port	8899
IP Address	10.10.10.100

Figure 45. Module Network Protocol: UDP

Q5: How to configure transparent serial port application: Two WIFI232-A11 modules all configured as STA and connection through AP?

- Network structure as below figure:
 - Module 1# Setting: (We use WIFI232-A11 as AP for this example)
 - Works as AP mode and all default setting;
 - Module 2# Setting:
 - Works as STA mode; --See "Mode Selection Page"
 - WAN connection type: Static IP: 10.10.100.100; --See "STA Interface Setting Page"

- ☒ Network Protocol:TCP/Server, Port ID: 8899; -- See "Applicaiton Setting Page"
- ☒ LAN IP address: 10.10.99.254 (Different net segment with WAN port); --See "AP Interface Setting Page"

Page"

- ☒ Module 3# Setting:
 - ☒ Works as STA mode; --See "Mode Selection Page"
 - ☒ WAN connection type: Static IP: 10.10.100.101; --See "STA Interface Setting Page"
 - ☒ Network Protocol:TCP/Client, Port ID: 8899; Application IP address: Module 2#'s WAN IP address (10.10.100.100); -- See "Applicaiton Setting Page"
 - ☒ LAN IP address: 10.10.98.254 (Different net segment with WAN port); --See "AP Interface Setting Page"

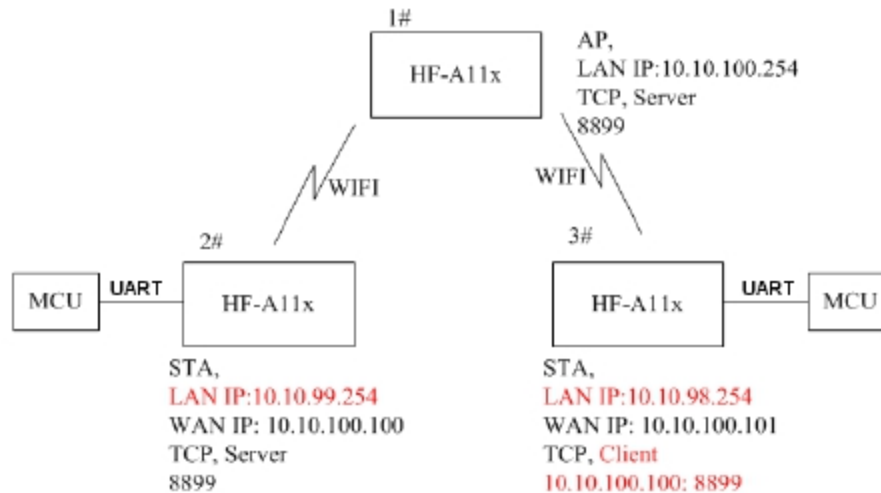


Figure 46. Two WIFI232-A11 Modules Connection Through AP

Q6: How to avoid IP address conflict when apply WIFI232-A11 module?

- ☒ The following address allocation method can avoid the IP address conflict for dynamic and static IP address mixed application.
 - ☒ Module dynamic IP address range from 100 to 200 for last IP address segment.
 - ☒ Such as default IP: 10.10.100.254. When module works as AP, the IP address module can allocate to STA is from 10.10.100.100 to 10.10.100.200;
 - ☒ So, if user needs to set static IP for dedicated STA internal network, the available IP address range can start from 10.10.100.1 to 10.10.100.99.

Q7: PC works as server, all WIFI232-A11 moduls works as data acquisition card and connect with PC, how to configure this application?

- ☒ Network structure as below figure: Three WIFI232-A11 module setup 3 TCP links with PC server. Module 1# works as AP and all devices connect to module 1# through WiFi interface;
 - ☒ PC Setting:
 - ☒ IP address: 10.10.100.100;
 - ☒ Network Protocol:TCP/Server, Port ID: 8899;
 - ☒ Module 1# Setting:
 - ☒ Works as AP mode;
 - ☒ LAN IP address: 10.10.100.254;
 - ☒ Network Protocol:TCP/Client, Port ID: 8899; Application IP address:10.10.100.100;

- ☒ Module 2# Setting:
 - ☒ Works as STA mode;
 - ☒ WAN connection type: Static IP: 10.10.100.101;
 - ☒ Network Protocol: TCP/Client, Port ID: 8899; Application IP address: 10.10.100.100;
 - ☒ LAN IP address: 10.10.99.254 (Different net segment with WAN port);
- ☒ Module 3# Setting:
 - ☒ Works as STA mode;
 - ☒ WAN connection type: Static IP: 10.10.100.102;
 - ☒ Network Protocol: TCP/Client, Port ID: 8899; Application IP address: 10.10.100.100;
 - ☒ LAN IP address: 10.10.98.254 (Different net segment with WAN port);

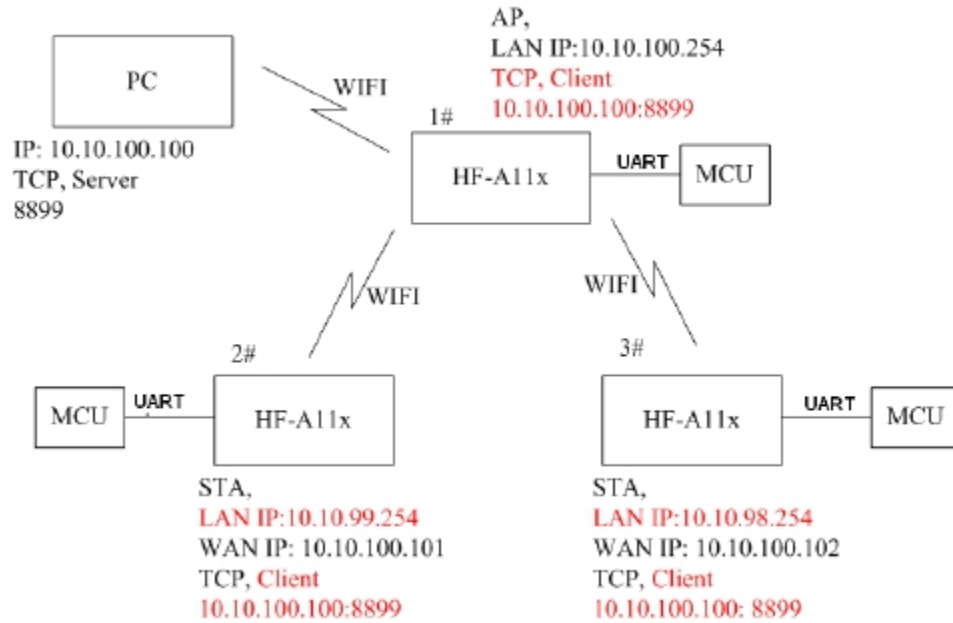


Figure 47. Wireless Data Acquisition Card Setting

APPENDIX B: USER DEVICE PSEUDO-CODE REFERENCE FOR AGREEMENT TRANSMISSION MODE

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#define MAX_DAT_BUF_LEN 1024 // Max:1024, can set the real value
#define AGREE_HEAD_LEN 6 //Head Byte: Command Word, Serial number,
//Reserve Byte

#define MAX_SEND_CMD_LEN MAX_DAT_BUF_LEN+8 //
#define RECV_CMD_LEN AGREE_HEAD_LEN+2 //

// Define data structure
struct STRAGREE
{
    //
    unsigned char send_cmd[MAX_SEND_CMD_LEN]; //
    unsigned short send_len; //
    unsigned char send_s; //
    int waiting_4_send_ack; //
    //
    unsigned char rcv_cmd[RECV_CMD_LEN]; //
    unsigned short rcv_len; //
    unsigned char rcv_s; //
    int waiting_4_rcv_ack; //
} agree_data;

//
function do_send_cmd()
    if (is_waiting_for_send_ack & is_timeout) //
        send_cmd_out(); //
    else if (!is_waiting_for_send_ack) //
    {
        generate_new_send_cmd(); //
        send_cmd_out(); //
    }
    else
        add waiting time; //
//

function do_rcv_cmd()
    if (is_waiting_for_rcv_ack & is_timeout) //
        rcv_cmd_out(); //
    else if (!is_waiting_for_rcv_ack) //
    {
        generate_new_rcv_cmd(); //
        rcv_cmd_out(); //
    }
    else
        add waiting time; //
//

function do_send_ack_cmd()
    if (receiv SEND ACK and check OK & is_waiting_for_send_ack) //
    {
        agree_data.send_s++; //
    }

```

```
agree_data . waiting_4_send_ack= 0; //
}
else
do nothing;

function do_rcv_ack_cmd()
if (receiv RECV ACK and check OK & is_waiting_for_rcv_ack) //
{
agree_data.rcv_s++; //
agree_data . //
waiting_4_rcv_ack= 0; //
to use the received data;
}
else
do nothing;

//
function main()
.....
char cmd;

init_agree_str(); //
init_pccom_port(); //
do //
{
if (read one byte from uart -> cmd) //
{
if (cmd == 0x01)
do_send_ack_cmd(); //
else if (cmd == 0x02)
do_rcv_ack_cmd();//
}
}
if (want_to_send_data | is_wait_for_send_ack) //
do_send_cmd(); //
if (want_to_rcv_data | is_wait_for_rcv_ack) //
do_rcv_cmd(); //
while (...) //
```

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