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# Reference Manual

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#### Overview

mxchipWNet<sup>™</sup> firmware is a software system running run on EMW Wi-Fi modules developed by MXCHIP. These firmware embedded with multiple M2M applications, TCP/IP stack and Wi-Fi driver can greatly reduce your development time and improve competitiveness on your M2M products.

Firmware: mxchipWNet<sup>™</sup>-DTU is used to implement the Wi-Fi data transmission on serial devices. Two primary functions are provided: EMSP command and direct data transmission between UART and Wi-Fi. It is widely used in establishing wireless communication on serial devices.

#### Main functions:

- Two working modes: EMSP command mode and direct data transmission mode
- Multiple configuration interface
- Build-in web site
- Firmware updating using serial and web

#### Wi-Fi driver features:

- WLAN standard: IEEE 802.11 b/g/n
- RF frequency: channel 1-13 on 2.4GHz
- Greatly reduce power consumption
- Roaming between multiple access points
- Support station mode,, soft AP mode and Wi-Fi direct
- Security: WEP and WPA/WPA2 PSK enterprise
- Auto detect security mode



#### **TCP/IP** features:

- DHCP client and server
- DNS, mDNS (bonjour)
- Two sockets working at the same time
- TCP client/server with keep-alive detection and auto reconnection
- UDP unicast/broadcast
- Support 8 clients in TCP server mode
- HTTP, FTP and SMTP client
- Sock4/5 proxy

#### **UART features:**

- Baud rate: 2400-3686400
- CTS/RTS hardware flow control
- Multiple UART data package mode
- High-speed data transfer by DMA

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# **1** Introduction

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mxchipWNet<sup>™</sup>-DTU can run on: EMW3280, EMW3161, and EMW3162. LEDs and pins on these module are defined to a specified function which is described in 1.1 and 1.2:

# **1.1 LED Functions Controlled by Firmware**



Table 1.1. LED function list

| Name   | Function description              |  |  |  |  |
|--|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
|  | On Firmware initialize successful |  |  |  |  |
| D1 Off Firmware uninitialized, or deep sleep |                                   |  |  |  |  |
|  | Flash                             | Firmware update mode                               |  |  |  |
|  | On                                | Wi-Fi connected, DHCP negotiate success            |  |  |  |
|  | Off                               | Wi-Fi disconnected                                 |  |  |  |
| D2*  | Keep<br>Flashing                  | Data transmission/WPS negotiating/EasyLink<br>mode |  |  |  |

\* D2 led is available on EMW3280, EMW3162 and EMW3160, and you can also connect an external led from pin 16. D2 is not existed on EMW3161 module, so you should connect an external LED from pin 36 on EMW3161.

# **1.2** Pin Definition Under mxchipWNet<sup>™</sup>-DTU

### 1.2.1 EMW3280, EMW3160 and EMW3162



Table 1.2. EMW3280, EMW3160 and EMW3162 Pinouts

| Pins | Pin Name              | Pins | Pin Name              |
|------|-----------------------|------|-----------------------|
| 1    | NFC_SCL               | 16   | LED (OUT)<br>BOOT(IN) |
| 2    | NFC_SDA               | 17   | nRESET(IN)            |
| 3    | NC                    | 18   | IO1                   |
| 4    | NC                    | 19   | NC                    |
| 5    | WPS/Default (IN)      | 20   | nUART_RTS(OUT)        |
| 6    | NC                    | 21   | nUART_CTS(IN)         |
| 7    | NC                    | 22   | UART_TXD(OUT)         |
| 8    | NC                    | 23   | UART_RXD(IN)          |
| 9    | NC                    | 24   | VDD                   |
| 10   | NC                    | 25   | GND                   |
| 11   | EasyLink/Default (IN) | 26   | NC                    |
| 12   | NC                    | 27   | NC                    |
| 13   | NFC_INT               | 28   | NC                    |
| 14   | LoPow(IN) *           | 29   | nWAKE_UP(IN)          |
| 15   | GND                   | 30   | STATUS(IN)            |

\* LoPow function is only available on EMW316x modules.

### 1.2.2 EMW3161





### Table 1.3. EMW3161 Pinouts

| Pins | Pin Name              | Pins     | Pin Name       |
|------|-----------------------|----------|----------------|
| 6    | NFC_INT               | 39       | STATUS(IN)     |
| 11   | WPS/Default (IN)      | 40       | nRESET(IN)     |
| 12   | EasyLink/Default (IN) | 46       | nUART_RTS(OUT) |
| 21   | IO1                   | 45       | nUART_CTS(IN)  |
| 24   | LoPow(IN) *           | 47       | UART_TXD(OUT)  |
| 28   | NFC_SCL               | 48       | UART_RXD(IN)   |
| 29   | NFC_SDA               | 41,44,49 | GND            |
| 36   | LED (OUT)<br>BOOT(IN) | 42,43    | VDD            |
| 38   | nWAKE_UP(IN)          | Other    | NC             |

# **1.3** Function Description of Each Pin

### Table 1.4. Function description

| Pin  | Туре | Function  |  |
|--|------|---|--|
| VDD  |      | 3.3V DC power input.  |  |
| GND  | 5    | Grounding.  |  |
| NFC_SCL  | 0    | IIC clock (connect to NFC tag EMF2104)  |  |
| NFC_SDA  | I/O  | IIC data (connect to NFC tag EMF2104)   |  |
| NFC_INT  | Ι    | Interrupt input (connect to NFC tag EMF2104)  |  |
| WPS/Defaul<br>t  | Ι    | <ul> <li>Pull down and up: enter Wi-Fi protected setup(WPS)</li> <li>Double click: enter one step configuration method: EasyLink</li> <li>Pull down and keep for 5 seconds: restore all settings to default.</li> </ul> |  |
| EasyLink/<br>DefaultIThis pin is only available on E<br>• Pull down and up: enter of<br>• Pull down and keep for 5 s |      | <ul> <li>This pin is only available on EMW316x modules</li> <li>Pull down and up: enter one step configuration method: EasyLink</li> <li>Pull down and keep for 5 seconds: restore all settings to default.</li> </ul>  |  |

|                        | Pin  | Туре                                      | Function  |  |  |
|------------------------|--|---|---|--|--|
|                        | UART_RXD   | Ι   | UART Data input.  |  |  |
|                        | UART_TXD   | 0   | UART Data output.   |  |  |
|                        | nUART_CTS⁵   | Ι   | UART clear to send, active low.   |  |  |
|                        | nUART_RTS <sup>5</sup>   | 0   | UART is ready to receive, active low.   |  |  |
|                        |  | Control the module' s MCU low power mode: |   |  |  |
|                        | LoPow  | Ι   | <ul> <li>Pull up: Exit sleep mode</li> <li>Pull down: Enter sleep mode</li> </ul> |  |  |
|                        |  |   | Set the operation mode:   |  |  |
|                        | CTATUC   | 1 ווח ז                                   | Pull up: enter the direct data transmission mode                                  |  |  |
|                        | STATUS   | I, PU <sup>1</sup>                        | Pull down: enter the EMSP command mode  |  |  |
|                        |  |   | Refer chapter 2 for details.  |  |  |
|                        |  |   | Module enter deep sleep mode if the WAKE_UP pin is pulled low,                    |  |  |
| WAKE_UP I, PU and wake |  | I, PU                                     | and wake up while the WAKE_UP pin is pulled high.                                 |  |  |
|                        |  |   | Reset is needed to wake up EMW3161 from deep sleep mode.                          |  |  |
|                        | nRESET <sup>6</sup>  | I, PU                                     | Pull down this pin for 1µs to reboot the module.                                  |  |  |
|                        |  |   | BOOT signal is detected to enter the different working mode when                  |  |  |
|                        |  |   | module is powered on, Refer chapter 2 for details.                                |  |  |
|                        |  | I, PU                                     | <ul> <li>Pull up: Boot to normal working mode.</li> </ul>                         |  |  |
|                        |  |   | <ul> <li>Pull down: Boot to special working modes (firmware update</li> </ul>     |  |  |
|                        | BOOT   |   | mode or test mode).   |  |  |
|                        |  | 0   | LED pin has the same function as led D2, This signal is active low.               |  |  |
|                        |  | NC <sup>7</sup>                           | No function. (IO1 function is configured by firmware)                             |  |  |
|                        |  |   | FC mode: Used as a serial data frame controller in direct data                    |  |  |
|                        |  | 17  | transmission mode.  |  |  |
|                        |  |   | <ul> <li>Pull down: Module stores the received serial data in RAM</li> </ul>      |  |  |
| IO1 • Pull up: B       |  |   | Pull up: Build up TCP/UDP package with the serial data in RAM                     |  |  |
|                        |  |   | HDC mode: Used as a Half-duplex Controller.                                       |  |  |
|                        |  |   | Output a high level signal while sending a serial data, otherwise,                |  |  |
|                        | NN   | O <sup>7</sup>                            | output a low level  |  |  |
|                        |  |   | This function can also be used to wake up host before send any                    |  |  |
|                        | *  |   | UART data.  |  |  |
|                        | NC   |   | Undefined IOs. Leave them floating or grounding.                                  |  |  |
|                        | 1. PU: The pin is at high level if no external signal is asserted. |   |   |  |  |

2. PD: The pin is at low level if no external signal is asserted.

3. UART signals includes UART\_TXD , UART\_RXD , UART\_RTS and UART\_CTS。

4. Only VDD, GND UART\_TXD and UART\_RXD are needed in a simplest connection.

- It is recommend that using UART\_RTS and UART\_CTS signal in serial interface.
   When using hardware flow control, firmware would not lost any serial data under TCP connection.
- 6. nRESET signal should not be forced to high by external circuit, internal watch dog function would not work correctly in this condition, if nRESET is controlled by an IO signal, this IO should be set to open drain mode.
- 7. Use EMSP command to set the different function on IO1, "NC" is the default state.



# **1.4** Typical hardware connections

Figure 1.1 TTL/CMOS UART serial interface







Figure 1.3 RS485 serial interface

# 2 Firmware Working Modes and Switching

# 2.1 Working Flowchart



## 2.2 Working Modes

### **Direct Transmission Mode :**

Firmware automatically connects the wlan according to the predefined settings, then package the serial data into TCP/UDP packets and send them to wlan automatically. It can also receive TCP/UDP packets from wlan and send them to serial interface. Firmware enter this mode when STATUS signal is high.

### EMSP Command Mode :

In this mode, you can use EMSP commands to control module and configure firmware' s parameters from serial port interface. Enter this mode when the STATUS pin is low. Please refer chapter 4 for details.

### Forced EMSP Command Mode :

This mode has the same functions as EMSP command mode, but firmware doesn't check STATUS pin before entering this mode, and you can't quit this mode by assert high on STATUS pin of course. Use EMSP command EMSP\_CMD\_RESET or assert the nRESET pin to quit this mode.

Use this mode if you want to use EMSP command but STATUS pin is not connected.

### Firmware Update Mode :

Firmware automatically connect the wlan according to the predefined settings, then package the serial data into TCP/UDP packets and send them to wlan automatically using TCP/UDP protocol. It can also receive TCP/UDP packets from wlan and send them to serial interface. Firmware enters this mode when STATUS signal is high.

### Test Mode :

Firmware automatically connect the wlan according to the predefined settings, then package any data received from serial interface into TCP/UDP packets and send them to wlan automatically. It can also receive TCP/UDP packets from wlan and send them to serial interface. Firmware enters this mode when STATUS signal is high.

# 2.3 Working Mode after Power On

Firmware boot to different working depends on BOOT/STATUS signals.

| BOOT          | STATUS        | Working Mode             |  |  |  |  |
|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 0             | 0             | Test Mode                |  |  |  |  |
| 0             | 1 ( Default ) | Firmware Update Mode     |  |  |  |  |
| 1 ( Default ) | 0             | EMSP command Mode        |  |  |  |  |
| 1 ( Default ) | 1 ( Default ) | Direct Transmission Mode |  |  |  |  |

| Table 2.1. | Boot | Options |
|------------|------|---------|
|------------|------|---------|

If BOOT=1, firmware will also check the continuous serial input during initializing with default serial settings: 115200/8/n/1. Initializing time is different depends on module' s model, but would not exceed 750ms.

| BOOT | STATUS | UART INPUT         | Function                                  |  |
|------|--------|--------------------|---|--|
| 1    | Х      | Receive three 0x31 | Enter forced EMSP command mode            |  |
| 1    | Х      | Receive three 0x20 | Restore all settings to default           |  |
| 1    | Х      | Receive three 0x32 | Use WPS to negotiate with AP in 5 seconds |  |

Table 2.2. Special serial input when booting

# 2.4 Switching between Working Modes

### Direct Transmission Mode → EMSP Command Mode

- 1. Pull down the STATUS pin.
- 2. Send any EMSP command, until correct respond is returned.
- 3. Firmware enters EMSP Command Mode.

### EMSP Command Mode $\rightarrow$ Direct Transmission mode

- Send EMSP\_CMD\_START command to connect the network. (If connected, skip step 1)
- 2. Pull up the STATUS pin
- 3. Firmware enters Direct Transmission mode.

# 2.5 Default Settings

Customer can have their own factory settings when purchasing the module, contact MXCHIP for further information.

### **Default settings :**

WLAN settings : SSID: "MXCHIP\_XXXX" (XXXX=the last 2 bytes of module' s MAC address) , Soft AP mode

UART settings : 115200/8/n/1

IP Address: 192.168.1.1/255.255.255.0, DHCP server enabled. Bonjour service enabled.

TCP Server mode, Port : 8080

If you need to restore the default settings, you can

- ★ Send 0x20 to module' s serial port 3 times when firmware is initializing Or
- ★ Push down WPS/Default or EasyLink/Default pin for 5 seconds

# **3 Direct Transmission Mode**

Direct Transmission Mode adds the wireless data transmission on serial devices, and simplify the user's development significantly.

Details of the Direct Transmission Mode:

Transferring data in a reliable network must follow a certain kind of format and protocol. For example, when transferring data in WLAN, we need to pack data into TCP data packet, and then according to receiver's address, pack the TCP package into the TCP/IP package with IP information. Therefore, to transfer data in the WLAN, we need to develop the network protocol stack first. These protocol stacks exist in PC's operation system but is hard to run on embedded systems, which have very limited resources.

mxchipWNet<sup>™</sup>-DTU can pack the serial data into TCP/IP package automatically, and also unpack the payload from the TCP/IP package, send the payload to serial interface. So firmware does not require a specific data format on serial interface. Firmware hides the complicate network transmission function from the user's applications, it looks like that sender and receiver are connected with a traditional serial cable. And this is why it's called the Direct Transmission Mode.

Several major functions are adopted in this mode:

- All of the serial data received are transferred to payload of the TCP/UDP package on a specific port and delivered automatically.
- Fetch the entire payload from the TCP/UDP package on a specific port and send them to serial port.
- All Wi-Fi network connections and services are established automatically according to the predefined settings.
- Auto recovers from any network failure.

Two ways to enter the Direct Transmission Mode:

- Pull up the STATUS signal and reboot.
- Start the network connections in EMSP command mode, and then pull up the STATUS pin.

# 3.1 QUICK START

The following steps are listed to present how to demonstrate the Direct Transmission Mode on module, which has been configured with a factory setting from MXCHIP.

### 3.1.1 Hardware Connection

### 1. Set the BOOT pin and STATUS pin to high before powered on

According to Table 2.1, we need to set the correct signal: BOOT=1, STATUS=1 to

enter the Direct Transmission Mode. The required inputs are the default state on the two pins, and if you are using an EMB-380-S test board, set the switchers as follow.



Figure 3.1 EMB-380-S switchers

2. Connect module to PC using a serial cable.



An USB-serial converter is available on EMW-380-S2 test board. It's very easy to connect the test board to PC via a mini USB cable. Set the jump J3, J4, J5, J6 to USB side and download the USB driver from http://www.ftdichip.com/Drivers/VCP.htm



Figure 3.2 EMB-380-S2 switchers to use serial/USB converter

#### Power on and restore the module with default settings. 3.

Use the methods listed in chapter 2.5 to restore the default settings. If you are using test board EMB-380-S2, it is easy to push down WPS/Default button for 5 seconds until the module reboot.



#### 3.1.2 **Connect to module using Wi-Fi**

Open the Wireless connection window on PC, you can find a Wi-Fi network named "MXCHIP\_XXXXXX" by searching available network nearby. "XXXXXX" is the last 3 bytes of module' s MAC address. Connect this network!



Figure 3.3 Connect to module

Once connected to the network, your pc would be assigned an IP address which within the scope of 192.168.1.XX. Now you can communicate with module, which has the static IP address: 192.168.1.1, and you can also locate module' s address by bonjour service. Login to module' s build-in web pages if you want to change module' s configuration, but we do not need to do this in this simple demonstration

Figure 3.4 Bonjour and WEB service

| O O O Bonjour Browser                    | 000           | Basic Setting | R <sub>M</sub> |
|--|---------------|---------------|----------------|
|  | 192.168.1     | .1            | C Reader >>    |
| 1081687120.members.btmm.icloud.com - 0   |               |               |                |
| ▼local – 3                               | Basic Advanc  | e System      |                |
| Apple File Sharing (_afpovertcptcp.) - 1 | Version: 0206 | 0302.004      |                |
| <b>TTTP</b> (_httptcp.) – 1              | Version. 0200 | D302.004      |                |
| EMW_3280 (47C0B7)                        | MAC: F4-B7-   | -E2-4/-C0-B/  |                |
| 192.168.1.1:80                           |               |               |                |
| Vendor=MXCHIP                            | SSID          | MYCHIR 47COR7 |                |
| Version=02060302.004d@d@@                | 5512.         | MXCHIF_47C0B7 |                |
| Socket1_Type=TCP Server                  |               | Find AP       |                |
| Socket1_Port=8080                        | <b>V</b>      |               |                |
| ▼Samba (_smbtcp.) – 1                    | Key:          |               |                |
| ▶ William的MacBook Pro                    |               |               |                |
|  | ( Sava        |               |                |
|  | Save          |               |                |
| Reland Services                          | Reset         |               |                |
| Reload Services                          |               |               |                |
|  |               |               |                |

### 3.1.3 Data transmission between serial port and Wi-Fi

Use TCP&UDP debugger or terminal software to create a TCP client and connect to module on port 8080.

Typical Terminal software: HyperTerminal on Windows XP or SecureCRT on both Windows and MAC.

Note: download TCP&UDP debugger software at http://www.mxchip.com/uploadfiles/soft /EMW/TCP&UDP\_Debugger\_Setup.zip.

Figure 3.5 Create TCP conection to module on SecureCRT

|             | Quick Conr            | nect                         |
|-------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| Protocol:   | Raw ‡                 |                              |
| Hostname:   | 192.168.1.1           |                              |
| Port:       | 8080                  | Firewall: None \$            |
| 🗌 Show quid | ck connect on startup | ✓ Save session ✓ Open in tab |
|             |                       | Cancel Connect               |

Open terminal software and connect to module from serial port with 115200 baud rate, 8 data length, 1 stop bit, and no flow control.

Figure 3.6 Create serial conection to module on SecureCRT

|            | QUICK Connect                             |  |
|------------|---|--|
| Protocol:  | Serial \$                                 |  |
| Port:      | /dev/cu.usbserial-FTG81QNG   Flow Control |  |
| Baud rate: | 115200 ‡ 🗆 RTS/CTS                        |  |
| Data bits: | 8 \$ XON/XOFF                             |  |
| Parity:    | None  \$                                  |  |
| Stop bits: | 1 \$                                      |  |
| Show qu    | ick connect on startup 🗹 Save session     |  |
|            | 🗹 Open in tab                             |  |
|            | Cancel Connect                            |  |

You may find that: any input in the serial terminal would be displayed on network terminal and any input on network terminal would be transferred to serial terminal.

Figure 3.6 Data transimission between two type of interface



## 3.2 Internal mechanism of Direct Transmission Mode

Under Direct Transmission Mode, all of the data conversion between serial port and network is performed automatically by firmware, and no need to be concerned in an ordinary use. Connect this network!

### 3.2.1 Serial Port=>Wireless Network

A flowchart of forwarding serial data to network:



Firmware has three buffer used for temporary storage for serial data:

- 1. DMA Buffer: Temporary store the serial data received from DMA controller
- 2. UART Data Buffer: Firmware copy data from DMA buffer if DMA buffer is full
- 3. TCP Window Buffer: The data in TCP windows size are ready to be transferred to network handled by TCP/IP stack

A brief description of the processing transfer data from serial port to network:

1. Hardware DMA controller deliver the received serial data to its DMA buffer. This part of the operation is completed by the DMA controller, and does not cost any CPU processing time.



2. Firmware copy serial data from DMA buffer to UART data buffer when DMA buffer is full or timeout. DMA buffer size and timeout can be configured by *DMA buffer size* in order to balance the performance and delay. A larger size of DMA buffer size reduce the frequency of the copy operation and give more CPU time to processing network stacks that improve the system' s MAX of data

### transmission speed in but reduce the system's real-time.



### DMA buffer size

- 256 bytes: Copy immediately if receive 256 bytes or delay 100ms
- 128 bytes: Copy immediately if receive 128 bytes or delay 100ms
- 64 bytes: Copy immediately if receive 64 bytes or delay 100ms
- 32 bytes: Copy immediately if receive 32 bytes or delay 100ms
- 16 bytes: Copy immediately if receive 16 bytes or delay 100ms
- 8 bytes: Copy immediately if receive 8 bytes or delay 100ms
- No DMA buffer (default): Copy immediately if receive any serial data
- 3. Copy the data from UART data buffer to TCP window buffer according to rules defined by *Conversion Mode*. Data in TCP window buffer can be packaged in to the payload of one TCP/IP frame.



Conversion Mode has defined several conversion rules and will add more in future.

Data Flow :

Firmware do not analyze data in UART data buffer but send them immediately if data exist. The content and length of the TCP/IP packages generated in this mode cannot be predicted but have the best real-time performance.

- Delay 20ms
- Delay 50ms
- Delay 100ms(default)
- Delay 150ms
- Delay 200ms

Similar in Data Flow mode, firmware does not analyze the data stored in UART data

buffer, but send them in a delay if UART Data Buffer is not full. More serial data existed in one TCP/IP package in this mode, and the total quantity of the TCP/IP packages is reduced that improve the performance of network.

- Package Mode 1
- Package Mode 2

Firmware analyzes data in UART data buffer and packs the serial data which fit the predefined package structure. In this mode, a predefined serial data frame is only existed in one TCP/IP package, so it simplify the data analyzing operation on the other side of the network.

Data structure in Package Mode 1:

0x7E+Len (1 byte) + data+0xCE, (Length = data size + 1).

Firmware packs the full data frame into one TCP/IP package.

Example: Serial data: 7E 06 11 22 33 44 55 CE. Data in TCP/IP package: 7E 06 11 22 33 44 55 CE

Data structure in Package Mode 2:

0x7E+Len1 (1 byte) + Len2 (1 byte) + data+0xCE, (len1<<8+len2 = data size + 1).

Firmware only packs the data part into one TCP/IP package.

Example: Serial data: 7e 00 09 11 22 33 DD CE AA 12 DD CE. Data in TCP/IP package: 11 22 33 DD CE AA 12 DD

FC mode

Pin: IO1 has configurable function defined by *IO1Mode*. When IO1 is defined to FC mode, IO1 detect the input signal:

- > IO1=0: Firmware stores the received serial data in UART Data Buffer
- > IO1=1: Build up TCP/UDP package with the serial data in UART Data Buffer

Note: Set *DMA Buffer Size* to Zero, while using HC mode on IO1.

4. Step 1-3 are circled, firmware store the serial data to UART Data Buffer, then pack the data to TCP/IP package according to different method, TCP/IP stack and the IEEE 802.11 MAC/PHY send these data in wireless network at last.





5. If network is blocked, it result the TCP window Buffer filled with data, then no more data can be packed into TCP/IP package, it make the DMA Buffer and UART Data Buffer also full of data. Under this situation, serial port cannot receive any more data that lead to the loss of data on serial port.



If *Hardware Flow Control* function is enabled, module would assert RTS signal under such situation to announce that sender should not send any more serial data. It can prevent the loss of data when network is blocked.

Note: Set the DMA Buffer Size above 16 bytes when you enable *hardware flow control* function on serial port.

### 3.2.2 Wireless Network => Serial Port

It is quite simple to deliver data from network to serial port, because a TCP/IP network can adjust the data traffic automatically according to the data rate on serial port. The flow chart is as below:

TCP/IP stack store the data in buffer and send them to serial port using DMA controller.



The UART data transmission is much slower than network data. In hardware flow control mode, the receiver may block the data sending on module by asserting CTS signal. Therefore, it is very common to see the TCP Window Buffer becomes full. When this happens, the receiving of the network data is blocked; it will reduce the network transmission rate. However, due to the TCP' s re-sending mechanism, the network data will not be lost. The following diagram shows an example where the module automatically stops sending the data to UART due to a CTS signal.



# 3.3 Half Duplex Mode (HDC mode)

Half Duplex Mode is primarily used in RS485 communication. When the module is attached to a RS485 voltage converter, this mode controls the input and output state of the converter. A typical RS485 communication hardware connection is shown in Figure 1.3.

We can achieve this function by setting IO1 to HDC. IO1 in HDC Mode has the following function:

1. When the module receives UART data, IO1 outputs low (default state)



2. When the module sends out UART data, I01 outputs high.



# 4 EMSP Command Mode

EMSP command is an ideal tool to communicate with mxchipWNet<sup>™</sup>-DTU firmware. Not like traditional ASCII code (like AT command), EMSP command is fast, reliable and easy programming for embedded device. Use EMSP commands, you can:

- Set the firmware' s configuration
- Execute Wi-Fi and TCP/IP operations
- Send or receive data on TCP/IP network, execute HTTP, FTP protocol operations

Any data input from serial must meet the specifications of EMSP command format, if not, firmware will not respond and the serial data is lost.

To enter the EMSP command mode, you just need to pull the module' s STATUS pin to low. If you are using EMW-380-S series test board, please set the STATUS switch to low.

#### **Communication model**

The command mode uses the typical master-slave communication protocol. The sender acts as the master/host, while the module is the slave/client. The communication starts with sender sending request to module, followed by module responding the request.

All the requests and responses go through verification and calculation to ensure the integrity and reliability of communication.

When the firmware initialization completes, the serial device can used the protocol provided by the specification to communicate with the module. Because each command in the communication protocol has different function, the processing time is not always the same. Therefore, you should wait for module' s return value after sending the next request.

#### **Communication interface**

1. Serial port interface

In default settings, the parameters of serial port interface are: 8 bits, no parity check, 1 stop bit, 115200 baud rate. Users can modify these parameters based on their requirement.

#### 2. Wi-Fi interface

You can send EMSP commands to module from UDP protocol on port 8089 when module is connected to a wireless network. So you can send a command to all of the local modules using a UDP broadcast, and each module can return the result by an UDP unicast package.

# 4.1 QUICK START

The following steps are listed to present how to demonstrate the EMSP command mode using a serial port.

### 4.1.1 Hardware Connection

### 1. Set BOOT pin = 1, STATUS = 0 before powered on

According to <u>Table 2.1</u>, we need to set the correct signal: BOOT=1, STATUS=0 to enter EMSP Command Mode. If you are using an EMB-380-S test board, set the switchers as follow.



Figure 4.1 EMB-380-S switchers

2. Connect module to PC using a serial cable.

Please refer to chapter 3.1.1 for details.

### 4.1.2 Send EMSP command using EMW Tool Box

EMW Tool Box is a software running on Windows PC, it can generate the required EMSP command according to the function selected on its window. Download this software at

### http://www.mxchip.com/uploadfiles/soft/EMW/EMWToolBox\_Setup.zip.

First, you need to open the correct COM port that is connected to module. And then click the "Get FW version" button, and the firmware version will be displayed on the right side of the button.

The EMSP commands sent and received will be displayed on the right side of the software; they are very useful if you are writing your own module controller software.

If you are trying to change settings, click the "Load Paras from Module" button first to read the parameters from module, then change the target parameters, and click "Save Paras to Module" button to save your settings. Click "Startup Network" button to start Wi-Fi connection and TCP/UDP data link.

Figure 4.2 EMW Tool Box

| \$   | EMW Tool Box   | 4.1 – 🗆 🗙  |
|--|--|--|
| Restore default Forced configuration   |  | To use this tool, please make sure EMW module is running under CMD mode:<br>===== PIN status: STATUS = 0, BOOT = 1 =====   |
| Communicate Interface<br>Interface List<br>Baud Rate:<br>115200 V<br>Data Bits: 8 V<br>Parity: Nor V | Local IP         Option         TCP/UDP Connection           Wireless and Power Management         UART           WirFi Mode:         Soft AP Mode         v           SSID:         MXCHIP_00013E | RECV:[53 00 5E 00 01 00 4D FF 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  |
| Stop Bits:     1       Refresh     Start   | None     WEP     WPA     Auto  | [EMSP_CMD_GET_PS_MODE] : [66 00 0A 00 00 08 FF FF FF ]<br>RECV.[66 00 14 00 01 00 84 FF 00 00 E8 03 00 00 C8 00 00 04 FFB ]<br>[EMSP_CMD_GET_DUAL_UAP] : [68 00 0A 00 00 00 08 D FF FF FF ]<br>RECV.[68 00 4B 00 01 00 4B FF 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 |
| Get FW Version 31620302.006<br>Get Status Search Hotspots  | WPA  WPA  WPA KEY  | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00   |
| Get MAC address Get IP address   | IEEE 802.11 Power Save Mode: Disable   | [EMSP_CMD_GET_KEEPALIVE]: [6C 00 0A 00 00 00 89 FF FF FF]<br>RECV:[6C 00 12 00 01 00 80 FF 04 00 00 078 00 00 00 83 FF]<br>[EMSP_CMD_GET_SOCKS]: [6E 00 0A 00 00 08 7F FF FF]<br>RECV:[6E 00 52 00 01 00 3E FF 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00               |
|  | MultiCast Package: 200 Extra SSID configuration  | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00   |
|  | Load Paras from File     Load Paras from module       Save Paras to File     Save Paras To Module  | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00   |

## 4.2 EMSP Command Specification

EMSP command consists of a protocol header (8 bytes) and a data block. The length of the data block is not fixed, but can be no longer than 256 bytes. The command format is shown as follows

[<command><length><result><head checksum>][<data><data checksum>]

### **Protocol Header**

A protocol header consists of one command segment (2 bytes), one length segment (2 bytes), one result segment (2 bytes, returned by the module), and a header checksum (2 bytes). The format is shown as follows

[<command><length><result><head checksum>]

<command> : Command segment, 2 bytes

<length> : Length segment, 2 bytes. This is the length of the whole EMSP command, including the protocol header and the data block.

<result> : Result segment, 2 bytes. The request and response should use the same protocol header; this segment is only effective in the response packet.

<head checksum> : Header checksum, 2 bytes. It is used to verify the integrity of the protocol header.

#### Data block

The data block includes all the data used by the current command, and one data checksum (2 bytes) at the end. The format is shown as below:

[<data><data checksum>]

<data> : Data. Its length is not fixed, can be calculated from the length segment in the protocol header.

<data checksum> : Data checksum, 2 bytes. It is used to verify the integrity of the data block. Note: The checksums of the protocol header and data block are independent. The checksum in

protocol header only verifies the protocol header while the checksum in the data block only

verifies the data block.

#### **Verification algorithm**

Please reference the following C code:

u16 calc\_sum(void \*data, u32 len)

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

4.3 Command Description

There are two kinds of EMSP commands:

### Static configuration commands

These commands are used to configure and read module's parameters. These parameters will be written into module's Flash, hence it normally requires reboot to make these commands take effect. If the module enters the data mode after reboot, the module will automatically establish the network communication network based on the parameters set by these commands.

### **Dynamic control commands**

These commands can dynamically control module's different functions, temporarily change working parameters, send or receive data. However, any changes resulted by these commands will not be saved in module. Once rebooted, the changes are lost. The dynamic control commands are introduced to increase module's flexibility.

The following are the definitions to the date transmitted in the commands

| typedef unsigned char      | u8 :  | u8 represent 8bit data    |
|----------------------------|-------|---------------------------|
| typedef unsigned short int | u16 : | u16 represents 16bit data |
| typedef unsigned int       | u32 : | u32 represents 32bit data |

### **4.3.1 Static Configuration Commands**

### EMSP\_CMD\_GET\_CONFIG (COMMAND ID 0002)

This command retrieves basic configuration information from the module.

Host sends: 02 00 0A 00 00 00 F3 FF FF FF

Module returns: 02 00 A9 00 01 00 53 FF <data><data checksum>

<data> structure:

| NAME                | TYPE | LENGTH | FUNCTION  |  |  |  |
|---------------------|------|--------|---|--|--|--|
| Wi-Fi<br>mode       | U8   |        | 1: Station mode 2: Soft AP mode 3: Station mode + Soft<br>AP mode( the Soft AP parameters in this mode is defined in<br>command: EMSP_CMD_SET_DUAL_UAP)   |  |  |  |
| SSID                | U8   | 32     | Wi-Fi network name  |  |  |  |
| WEP Key             | U8   | 16     | WEP security key is available if Security Mode is set to WEP  |  |  |  |
| WEP key<br>length   | U8   | 1      | The key length of WEP security key available if Security<br>Mode is set to WEP<br>0: The same as setting SECURITY MODE to NONE<br>5: WEP security key is 10 hex numbers (5 ACSII characters)<br>13: WEP security key is 26 hex numbers (13 ACSII<br>characters) |  |  |  |
| Local IP<br>address | U8   | 16     | Module' s static IP address, it will be overridden if<br>firmware get an address successfully from DHCP server.<br>It is presented by string using dot-decimal notation.<br>Example: "192.168.0.1"  |  |  |  |

| Table - | 4.1. | Basic | Parameters |
|---------|------|-------|------------|
|         |      |       |            |

| NAME                 | TYPE | LENGTH |   | FUN                                  | CTION                                   |
|----------------------|------|--------|---|--------------------------------------|---|
| Remote IP<br>address | U8   | 16     | The IP address where module is trying to connect or send<br>data if module is setting to TCP client mode and UDP unicast<br>mode. It is ignored if DNS is enabled.<br>The format is the same as Local IP address. |                                      |   |
| Net mask             | U8   | 16     | Net mask wh<br>Local IP addres  | ile using a stat<br>s.               | c IP address, same format as            |
| Gateway              | U8   | 16     | Gateway IP ad<br>format as Local  | ddress while us<br>I IP address.     | ing a static IP address, same           |
| Port_H               | U8   | 1      | Upper byte o  | f the TCP/UDP                        | socket port                             |
| Port_L               | U8   | 1      | Lower byte of   | f the TCP/UDP                        | socket port                             |
|                      |      |        | Protocol_1  | Protocol_2                           | Function                                |
|                      |      |        | 0   | 0                                    | TCP Server Mode                         |
| Protocol_1           | U8   | 1      | 0   | 1                                    | UDP Broadcast Mode                      |
|                      |      |        | 1   | 0                                    | TCP Client Mode                         |
|                      |      |        | 1   | 1                                    | UDP Unicast Mode                        |
|                      |      |        |   | ~ ` `                                |   |
| DHCP                 | U8   | 1      | 0: Use static local IP address<br>1: Use DHCP service to get local IP address   |                                      |   |
| Protocol_2           | U8   | 1      | Refer to Protocol_1   |                                      |   |
| Baud Rate            | U8   | 1      | Serial port baud rate:0: 96001: 192002: 384003: 576004:1152005:2304006: 4608007:9216008:18432009: 368640010: 480011: 240012: 1200   |                                      |   |
| DMA<br>Buffer Size   | U8   | 1      | DMA Buffer S<br>0: No DMA buf<br>4: 64 bytes  | iize:<br>fer 1: 8 bytes<br>5:128 byt | 2: 16bytes 3: 32bytes<br>es 6:256 bytes |
| Flow<br>Control      | U8   | 1      | 0: Disable  | 1: Enable                            |   |
| Parity               | U8   | 1      | 0: None 1:  | Even 2: O                            | bb                                      |
| Data Bits            | U8   | 1      | 0: 8bits  |                                      |   |
| Stop Bits            | U8   | 1      | 0: 1bits 1:   | 0.5bits 1: 2bi                       | ts 1: 1.5bits                           |
| IO1                  | U8   | 1      | 0: None 1:  | FC Mode 2:                           | HDC Mode                                |
| Security<br>Mode     | U8   | 1      | 0: WEP 1:<br>4: Auto  | WPA/WPA2 PS                          | K 2: None 3: WEP Hex                    |
| Кеу                  | U8   | 32     | WPA , WPA2  | PSK Security K                       | еу                                      |

### EMSP\_CMD\_SET\_CONFIG (COMMAND ID 0003)

This command configures module' s parameters. Once changed, the module has to

be rebooted in order for these parameters to take effect.

Host sends: 03 00 A9 00 00 00 53 FF <data><data checksum>

Module returns: 03 00 A9 00 01 00 52 FF <data><data checksum>

Check Table 4.1 for details in <data> structure.

### EMSP\_CMD\_SET\_DNS (COMMAND ID 0052)

This command enables DNS resolution function and configures DNS related settings.

Host sends: 52 00 5E 00 00 00 4F FF <data><data checksum>

Module returns: 52 00 0A 00 01 00 A2 FF FF FF

<data> structure:

| NAME    | TYPE | LENGTH | FUNCTION   |
|---------|------|--------|--|
| ENABLE  | U32  | 1      | 0: DNS disabled 1: DNS enabled                               |
| Domain  |      |        | The string of domain name where module is trying to          |
| Namo    | U8   | 64     | connect or send data if module is setting to TCP client mode |
| Indiffe |      |        | and UDP unicast mode.  |
| DNC     |      |        | DNS server IP address, it will be overridden if firmware get |
|         | 110  | 10     | an address successfully from DHCP server.                    |
| Address | 08   | 10     | It is presented by string using dot-decimal notation.        |
| Audress |      |        | Example: "192.168.0.1"                                       |

| Table 4.2. | DNS | Parameters |
|------------|-----|------------|
|------------|-----|------------|

### EMSP\_CMD\_GET\_DNS (COMMAND ID 0053)

This command gets the module' s DNS related parameters.

Host sends: 53 00 0A 00 00 00 A2 FF FF FF

Module returns: 53 00 5E 00 01 00 4F FF <data><data checksum>

Check Table 4.2 for details in <data> structure.

### EMSP\_CMD\_SET\_EXTRA\_SSID (COMMAND ID 0064)

This command sets extra four Wi-Fi network parameters. Module can roam in these predefined Wi-Fi networks (Wi-Fi network defined in EMSP\_CMD\_GET\_CONFIG is also included) under station mode.

Host sends: 64 00 0E 01 00 00 8D FE <data><data checksum>

Module returns: 64 00 0A 00 01 00 90 FF FF FF

<data> structure:

|          | Table 4.3. Extra Wi-Fi networks Parameters |        |  |  |  |  |
|----------|--|--------|--|--|--|--|
| NAME     | ТҮРЕ                                       | LENGTH | FUNCTION                               |  |  |  |
| SSID_1   | U8   | 32     | Wi-Fi network 1 name                   |  |  |  |
| Key_1    | U8   | 32     | Security key of Wi-Fi network 1        |  |  |  |
| Security | 1 10                                       | 1      | Wi-Fi security 1 mode                  |  |  |  |
| Mode_1   | 08   | T      | 0: WEP 1: WPA/WPA2 PSK 2: None 4: Auto |  |  |  |
| SSID_2   | U8   | 32     | Wi-Fi network 2 name                   |  |  |  |
| Key_2    | U8   | 32     | Security key of Wi-Fi network 2        |  |  |  |
| Security | 110  | 1      | Wi-Fi security 2 mode                  |  |  |  |
| Mode_2   | 08   | T      | 0: WEP 1: WPA/WPA2 PSK 2: None 4: Auto |  |  |  |
| SSID_3   | U8   | 32     | Wi-Fi network 3 name                   |  |  |  |
| Key_3    | U8   | 32     | Security key of Wi-Fi network 3        |  |  |  |
| Security | 110  | 1      | Wi-Fi security 3 mode                  |  |  |  |
| Mode_3   | 08   | T      | 0: WEP 1: WPA/WPA2 PSK 2: None 4: Auto |  |  |  |
| SSID_4   | U8   | 32     | Wi-Fi network 4 name                   |  |  |  |
| Key_4    | U8   | 32     | Security key of Wi-Fi network 4        |  |  |  |
| Security | 110  | 1      | Wi-Fi security 4 mode                  |  |  |  |
| Mode_4   | 08   | L      | 0: WEP 1: WPA/WPA2 PSK 2: None 4: Auto |  |  |  |

### EMSP\_CMD\_GET\_EXTRA\_SSID (COMMAND ID 0065)

This command gets extra four Wi-Fi network parameters.

Host sends: 65 00 0A 00 00 00 90 FF FF FF

Module returns: 65 00 0E 01 01 00 8B FE <data><data checksum>

Check Table 4.3 for details in <data> structure.

#### EMSP\_CMD\_SET\_EXTRA\_SOCKET (COMMAND ID 0069)

This command sets an extra socket connection. Serial data can be delivered by both main socket and this extra socket, and any data on these sockets can be sent to serial port.

Host sends: 69 00 4D 00 00 00 49 FF <data><data checksum>

Module returns: 69 00 0A 00 01 00 8B FF FF FF

<data> structure:

| Table 4.4. | Extra | Wi-Fi | networks | Parameters |
|------------|-------|-------|----------|------------|
|------------|-------|-------|----------|------------|

| NAME     | ΤΥΡΕ | LENGTH |                     | FUNCTION              |            |
|----------|------|--------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| Drotocol | 1 10 | 1      | 0: TCP Server Mode  | 1: TCP Client Mode    |            |
| PIOLOCOI | 08   | L      | 2: UDP Unicast Mode | 3: UDP Broadcast Mode | 4: Disable |

| NAME    | ТҮРЕ | LENGTH | FUNCTION  |
|---------|------|--------|---|
| Port    | U16  | 1      | Socket port number                                    |
| Remote  | 110  | 64     | Remote server address used in TCP client mode and UDP |
| address | U8   | U8 64  | unicast mode. Input IP address or domain name.        |

#### EMSP\_CMD\_GET\_EXTRA\_SSID (COMMAND ID 006A)

This command gets configuration of the extra socket connection.

Host sends: 6A 00 0A 00 00 00 8B FF FF FF

Module returns: 6A 00 4D 00 01 00 47 FF <data><data checksum>

Check Table 4.5 for details in <data> structure.

### EMSP\_CMD\_SET\_KEEPALIVE (COMMAND ID 006B)

When working as a TCP and data is not transmitting, module sends keep-alive package periodically, and the other side should returns to module. If module does not receive the returned keep-alive package, module will start to count the number of failures. If the count exceeds the max retry number, module will terminate the current TCP link, recycle the resources and try to reconnect the TCP server. The count will return to zero if the keep-alive package is returned or data transmission is successful.

Time needed to detect a broken TCP link: Retry number x Retry interval

Host sends: 6B 00 12 00 00 00 82 FF <data><data checksum>

Module returns: 6B 00 0A 00 01 00 89 FF FF FF

<data> structure:

|                   |      |        | 5. Ter keep-alive rarameters                   |
|-------------------|------|--------|--|
| NAME              | ΤΥΡΕ | LENGTH | FUNCTION                                       |
| Retry<br>number   | U32  | 1      | Max TCP keep-alive package retry number        |
| Retry<br>interval | U32  | 1      | Time interval between two retry (Unit: second) |

Table 4.5. TCP Keep-alive Parameters

#### EMSP\_CMD\_GET\_KEEPALIVE (COMMAND ID 006C)

This command gets TCP keep-alive parameters

Host sends: 6C 00 0A 00 00 00 89 FF FF FF

Module returns: 6C 00 12 00 01 00 80 FF <data><data checksum>

Check Table 4.4 for details in <data> structure.

#### EMSP\_CMD\_SET\_PS\_MODE (COMMAND ID 0063)

This command set IEEE 802.11 power save mode parameters. IEEE 802.11 power save mode can reduce the RF power consumption when data is not transmitting. When IEEE power save mode is enabled, 802.11 MAC and PHY will enter sleep mode between two DTIM intervals.



The DTIM is about 100ms -500ms depends on the settings on the AP.

Every time module wakes up, it will check if AP has buffered data for module and receive them immediately. After has received them successfully, module will continue to sleep. But if more data is arrived when module is asleep, module can receive only at the next DTIM time point. Delay is generated in this situation.

So, after module has received the buffered data, it should not go to sleep immediately but wait a predefined time. When data is received during this time, no delay would be generated. The time that module remains awake after receive a Wi-Fi data package is defined by: Interval x Interval Unit.

Host sends: 63 00 14 00 00 00 88 FF 00 00 E8 03 00 00 C8 00 00 00 4F FB <data><data checksum>

Module returns: 63 00 0A 00 01 00 91 FF FF FF

<data> structure:

| NAME             | ТҮРЕ | LENGTH | FUNCTION  |
|------------------|------|--------|---|
| ENABLE           | U8   | 1      | 0: Disable 1: Enable Power Save Mode  |
| Interval<br>Unit | U8   | 1      | 0=Millisecond 1=Time between two beacon (Defined in<br>AP)<br>Default is 0, Millisecond (Not used in EMW316x modules) |

| Table 4.6. TCP Kee | ep-alive Parameters |
|--------------------|---------------------|
|--------------------|---------------------|

| NAME      | ТҮРЕ | LENGTH | FUNCTION   |   |
|-----------|------|--------|--|---|
| Unicast   | 1122 | 1      | Stay awake after receive a unicast Wi-Fi package, default is |   |
| Interval  | 032  |        | 1000 (1000ms) Not used in EMW316x modules)                   |   |
| Multicast | 1122 | 1      | Stay awake after receive a multicast Wi-Fi package, default  |   |
| Interval  | U32  | 032    | 1  | is 100 (100ms) Not used in EMW316x modules) |

#### EMSP\_CMD\_GET\_PS\_MODE (COMMAND ID 0066)

This command gets IEEE power save mode parameters.

Host sends: 66 00 0A 00 00 00 8F FF FF FF

Module returns: 66 00 14 00 01 00 84 <data><data checksum>

Check Table 4.5 for details in <data> structure.

#### EMSP\_CMD\_SET\_DUAL\_UAP (COMMAND ID 0067)

In Station + Soft AP mode, module can communicate with cloud service on the internet through a wireless router, and accept local controller in soft AP mode. Wi-Fi parameters in station mode are defined by command: EMSP\_CMD\_GET\_CONFIG. This command defines the soft AP parameters in this mode.

Host sends: 67 00 4B 00 00 00 4D FF <data><data checksum>

Module returns: 67 00 0A 00 01 00 8D FF FF FF

<data> structure:

Table 4.7. Soft AP Parameters in DUAL Mode

| NAME     | ΤΥΡΕ | LENGTH | FUNCTION   |
|----------|------|--------|--|
| SSID     | U8   | 32     | Wi-Fi network name                                       |
| Кеу      | U8   | 32     | Security key   |
| Security | 110  | 1      | Wi-Fi security 1 mode(WEP is not supported in this mode) |
| Mode U8  | 08   | 1      | 1: WPA/WPA2 PSK 2: None                                  |

#### EMSP\_CMD\_GET\_DUAL\_UAP (COMMAND ID 0068)

This command gets TCP keep-alive parameters

Host sends: 68 00 0A 00 00 00 8D FF FF FF

Module returns: 68 00 4B 00 01 00 4B FF <data><data checksum>

Check Table 4.6 for details in <data> structure.

### EMSP\_CMD\_GET\_UART\_MODE (COMMAND ID 0062)

This command gets the Conversion Mode which package serial data to TCP/IP package.

Host sends: 62 00 0A 00 00 00 93 FF FF FF

Module returns: 62 00 0B 00 01 00 91 FF <data><data checksum>

<data> structure: (Refer chapter 3.2.1 for the detailed function of each mode)

| Table 4.8. Conversion Mode Paramete | able 4.8. | Conversion | Mode | Parameter |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|------------|------|-----------|
|-------------------------------------|-----------|------------|------|-----------|

| NAME      | ΤΥΡΕ   | LENGTH |                | FUNCTION          |                |
|-----------|--------|--------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Conversio |        |        | 0: Data Flow   | 1: Package Mode 1 | 2: Delay 20ms  |
| n Modo    | n Mode | 1      | 3: Delay 50ms  | 4: Delay 100ms    | 5: Delay 150ms |
| n Mode    |        |        | 6: Delay 200ms | 7: Package Mode 2 |                |

### EMSP\_CMD\_SET\_UART\_MODE (COMMAND ID 0061)

This command sets the Conversion Mode, which package serial data to TCP/IP package.

Host sends: 61 00 0B 00 00 00 93 FF <data><data checksum>

Module returns: 61 00 0A 00 01 00 93 FF FF FF

Check Table 4.3 for details in <data> structure.

#### EMSP\_CMD\_GET\_NAME (COMMAND ID 0046)

This command gets module' s name, the name will be presented by bonjour service.

Host sends: 46 00 0A 00 00 00 AF FF FF FF

Module returns: 46 00 32 00 01 00 86 FF <data><data checksum>

| Table 4.9. Dollou Name Palameter | Table 4.9. | Bonjour | Name | Parameter |
|----------------------------------|------------|---------|------|-----------|
|----------------------------------|------------|---------|------|-----------|

| NAME    | ΤΥΡΕ | LENGTH                      | FUNCTION   |
|---------|------|-----------------------------|--|
| Namo    | 110  | 40                          | The module's name string with a fixed size of 40 bytes, it |
| Name U8 | 40   | is used by bonjour service. |  |

#### EMSP\_CMD\_SET\_NAME (COMMAND ID 0047)

This command sets module' s name, the name will be presented by bonjour service.

Host sends: 47 00 32 00 00 00 86 <data><data checksum>

Module returns: 47 00 0A 00 01 00 AD FF FF FF

Check Table 4.4 for details in <data> structure.

#### EMSP\_CMD\_GET\_VER (COMMAND ID 006F)

This command gets module' s firmware version.

Host sends: 6F 00 0A 00 00 00 86 FF FF FF

Module returns: 6F 00 1A 00 01 00 75 FF <data><data checksum>

<data>: Current firmware' s version( 12 characters )

#### EMSP\_CMD\_GET\_MAC\_ADDR (COMMAND ID 000C)

This command gets module' s MAC address.

Host sends: 0C 00 0A 00 00 00 E9 FF FF FF

Module returns: 0C 00 10 00 01 00 E2 FF <data><data checksum>

<data>: The MAC address of the module. It is a hex number with a fixed length of 6
bytes.

### 4.3.2 Dynamic Control Commands

#### EMSP\_CMD\_RESET (COMMAND ID 0001)

This command soft resets the module. Host sends: 01 00 0A 00 00 00 F4 FF FF FF Module returns: 01 00 0A 00 01 00 F3 FF FF FF

### EMSP\_CMD\_START (COMMAND ID 0005)

This command enables module's Wi-Fi connection and TCP connection. Host sends: 05 00 0A 00 00 00 F0 FF FF FF Module returns: 05 00 0A 00 01 00 EF FF FF FF

#### EMSP\_CMD\_GET\_STATUS (COMMAND ID 0008)

This command is used to get the module' s current running status

Host sends: 08 00 0A 00 00 00 ED FF FF FF

Module returns: 08 00 0E 00 01 00 E8 FF <data><data checksum>

<data> structure:

| NAME    | ТҮРЕ | LENGTH | FUNCTION  |
|---------|------|--------|---|
| System  | U8   | 1      | Reversed  |
|         |      |        | Bit0=0: Disconnected in station mode                  |
|         | 110  | 1      | Bit0=1: Connected in station mode                     |
| VVI-FI  | 08   | L      | Bit1=0: Soft AP mode not established                  |
|         |      |        | Bit1=1: Soft AP mode established                      |
|         |      | 1      | 0: Socket1 is disabled                                |
| Sockot1 |      |        | 1: Socket1 disconnected (Under TCP client mode)       |
| SUCKELL | 08   |        | 2: No TCP client is connected (Under TCP server mode) |
|         |      |        | 3: Socket1 connected                                  |
|         |      |        | 0: Socket2 is disabled                                |
| Socket2 | 110  | 1      | 1: Socket2 disconnected (Under TCP client mode)       |
| SUCKEIZ | 08   | 1 I    | 2: No TCP client is connected (Under TCP server mode) |
|         |      |        | 3: Socket2 connected                                  |

Table 4.10.Current Running Status

### EMSP\_CMD\_GET\_IP (COMMAND ID 0040)

This command gets the current IP address.

Host sends: 40 00 0A 00 00 00 B5 FF FF FF

Module returns: 40 00 3A 00 01 00 84 FF <data><data checksum>

<data>: ....., The data structure of the data block is shown as follows

Table 4.11. Current IP Address

| NAME     | TYPE | LENGTH | FUNCTION  |
|----------|------|--------|---|
|          |      |        | Current IP address.                                   |
|          | U8   | 16     | It is presented by string using dot-decimal notation. |
| address  |      |        | Example: "192.168.0.1"                                |
| Net mask | U8   | 16     | Current net mask                                      |
| Gateway  | U8   | 16     | Current gateway                                       |

### EMSP\_CMD\_OPEN\_SOCKET (COMMAND ID 0045)

This command establishes the EXTRA TCP/UDP socket connection. The remote server address in the command could be either an IP address or a domain name.

Host sends: 45 00 4E 00 00 00 6C FF <data><data checksum>

Module returns: 45 00 0A 00 01 00 AF FF FF FF

<data> structure:

| NAME       | TYPE | LENGTH | FUNCTION   |                 |                        |  |
|------------|------|--------|--|-----------------|------------------------|--|
|            |      | 1      |  |                 |                        |  |
| Protocol 2 | U8   |        | Protocol_1   | Protocol_2      | Function               |  |
|            |      |        | 0  | 0               | TCP Server Mode        |  |
|            | U8   | 1      | 0  | 1               | UDP Broadcast Mode     |  |
| Protocol 1 |      |        | 1  | 0               | TCP Client Mode        |  |
|            |      |        | 1  | 1               | UDP Unicast Mode       |  |
|            |      |        |  |                 |                        |  |
| Port_H     | U8   | 1      | Upper byte of the TCP/UDP socket port                    |                 |                        |  |
| Port_L     | U8   | 1      | Lower byte of the TCP/UDP socket port                    |                 |                        |  |
| Conver     |      | 64     | The address  | of the TCP serv | er or UDP send target. |  |
| Server     | U8   |        | Either domain name or IP address can write to this part. |                 |                        |  |
| address    |      |        | Example: "1  | 92.168.0.1" or  | "www.google.com"       |  |

 Table 4.12.
 Open Socket Parameters

### EMSP\_CMD\_CLOSE\_SOCKET (COMMAND ID 0044)

This command closes the EXTRA TCP/UDP socket. Host sends: 44 00 0A 00 00 00 B1 FF FF FF Module returns: 44 00 0A 00 01 00 B0 FF FF FF

### EMSP\_CMD\_WIFI\_STOP (COMMAND ID 004A)

This command stops the Wi-Fi connection.

Module returns: 4A 00 0A 00 01 00 AA FF FF FF

### EMSP\_CMD\_WIFI\_CONNECT (COMMAND ID 004B)

This command starts the Wi-Fi connection based on the predefined parameters.

Host sends: 4B 00 0A 00 00 00 AA FF FF FF

Module returns: 4B 00 0A 00 01 00 A9 FF FF FF

### EMSP\_CMD\_SCAN\_AP (COMMAND ID 0004)

This command gets all the available AP and their signal strength in the detectable range.

Host sends: 04 00 0A 00 00 00 F1 FF FF FF

Module returns: 04 00 <length> <result> <head checksum> <data> <data checksum>

<result>: The number of access points

<data> structure: result x Scan\_Result\_Type

|      |        |              | 5. Searresult type        |
|------|--------|--------------|---------------------------|
| NAME | TYPE   | LENGTH       | FUNCTION                  |
| SSID | String | End with 0x0 | Name of the Wi-Fi network |
| RSSI | String | End with 0x0 | Signal strength           |

### Table 4.13. Scan Result Type

#### EMSP\_CMD\_SEND\_DATA (COMMAND ID 0006)

This command sends data to the network through socket1

Host sends: 06 00 <length> 00 00 <head checksum> <data> <data checksum>

<length>: The actual command length

<data>: The data to be sent

Module returns: 06 00 0A 00 00 00 <result> <head checksum> FF FF

<result>: Successfully sent <result> bytes of data to the destination through network. 0 means "failed to send data".

### EMSP\_CMD\_RECV\_DATA (COMMAND ID 0007)

This command is used to receive data from socket1, module returns immediately after receive data from socket1.

Module returns: 07 00 <length> <result> <head checksum> <data> <data checksum>

<length>: The length of the return command.

<result>: Successfully received <result> bytes of data through network. 0 means no data received.

<data>: The data received.

# 5 Methods of Configuration

## 5.1 Build-in Web Pages Method

We can use any PC or Smartphone with Wi-Fi function to configure the module by visiting module' s IP address or mDNS address on the web browser. However, you would have to make sure the module has connected to WLAN first.

Operation procedure:

- 1. Set the STATUS pin to high, and power on the Wi-Fi module.
- Wait the Wi-Fi connection to be established (LED2 will be turned on). If failed, you should restore the module to factory settings according to <u>chapter 2.5</u>, and connect to network: "MXCHIP\_XXXXXX" established by Wi-Fi module.
- 3. Open the web browser on PC, type in any web address at the browser's address field. You will see the following configuration pages in the browser, input user name and password "admin/admin".

| nl中国联通 <del>京</del> 崇 上午10:13 ④ ● \$ 87% ■)<br>Loading<br>192.168.1.1/ × Search | null中国联通 令         上午10:13         ●         ●         87%           Basic Setting           192 168 11/         C         Search |
|---|---|
| Authentication Required<br>192.166.1.1<br>admin                                 | Basic Advance System<br>Version: 02060302.004<br>MAC: F4-B7-E2-47-C0-B7   |
| Cancel Log In   | SSID: MXCHIP_47C0B7<br>Find AP<br>Key:  |
| QWERTYUIOP  | Save Reset  |
| ASDEGHJKL   |   |
| .?123 space return  |   |

# 5.2 EMSP Commands Method

Refer <u>chapter 4.1</u> for details.

## 5.3 Near-Field-Communication Method

EMF2104 NFC Tag can be read or write by any smart phone has NFC function. EMW module connects to EMW2104 by IIC interface and read back any information written by smartphone.

Hardware connection:



Operation procedure:

- 1. Download and install NFC configuration demo: Nfc-XPG-Demo, at http://www.mxchip.com/uploadfiles/soft/EMW/NfcXPGDemo.apk.zip .
- Open the software and type in the Wi-Fi SSID and security Key. Then press the "Write" button.
- 3. Put your smart phone close to the NFC tag, and wait the writing procedure completed. The module will reboot with the new settings in a few seconds.

# 5.4 Wi-Fi Protected Setup (WPS)

Wi-Fi Protected Setup (WPS; originally Wi-Fi Simple Configuration) is a computing standard that attempts to allow easy establishment of a secure wireless home network.

The standard emphasizes usability and security, and allows up to four usage modes aimed at a home network user adding a new device to the network:

1. PIN Method (Supported by firmware but not opened to user)

In which a personal identification number (PIN) has to be read from either a sticker or the display on the new wireless device. This PIN must then be entered at the "representant" of the network, usually the access point of the network. Alternately, a PIN on the Access Point may be entered into the new device. The PIN Method is the mandatory baseline mode; every Wi-Fi Protected Setup certified product must support it.

2. Push-Button-Method (Supported by firmware and WPS button is available on module)

In which the user simply has to push a button, either an actual or virtual one, on both the access point (or a registrar of the network) and the new wireless client device. Support of this mode is mandatory for access points and optional for connecting devices.

3. Near-Field-Communication Method (Not supported, but has a better solution described chapter 5.3)

In which the user simply has to bring the new client close to the access point to allow a near field communication between the devices. NFC Forum compliant RFID tags can also be used. Support of this mode is optional.

### 4. USB Method (Not supported)

In which the user uses a USB flash drive to transfer data between the new client device and the access point of the network. Support of this mode is optional, but deprecated.

Operation procedure (Push button method):

1. Press down the "WPS/ Default" button or input character "2" from serial port when powered on. LED2 will flash correlation ually. Click "WPS/Default" button



- 2. Press down the WPS button on the Access Point.
- Wait the WPS negotiation complete, LED2 stop flashing and the module will reboot with the new settings. WPS negotiation timeout is 2 minutes. If WPS is failed, module would keep and use the old settings.

# 5.5 Easy Link Method

To create a great user experience, MXCHIP has created a one-step and one-time process to connect EMW316X modules to the home wireless network. This greatly stands apart from other methods require multiple steps to configure a device onto the network.

Easy link leverages the standard mechanisms present in Wi-Fi to configure an EMW316x's association information on the fly, regardless of whether user-interface is available. In this process a Wi-Fi enabled device such as a smartphone, tablet or a laptop is used to send the association information to the EMW316x.



This function only available on EMW316x modules.

Operation procedure:

1. Download and install easylink demo app on android or iOS devices. APP and source code can be download at

http://mxchip.com/uploadfiles/soft/EMW/EasyLink\_Android.zip

http://mxchip.com/uploadfiles/soft/EMW/EasyLink\_iOS.zip

Double click the "WPS/ Default" button or press the "EasyLink/ Default" button.
 Double click "WPS/Default" button



3. Run EasyLink APP on the devices, and input your AP' s name and password and press "Start" button.

| EMW_3280 (1023CC)<br>EMW3280_1023CC.local. | 1. Input your Wi-Fi | configuration   |
|--|---------------------|-----------------|
| IP address:192.168.2.165 Po                | SSID                | MXCHIP_RD       |
| EMW_3162 (00013E)<br>EMW3162_00013E.local. | Password            | stm32f215       |
| 1 address.152.100.2.10410                  | Gateway IP Addres   | s 192.168.2.1   |
|  | 3. Press Easylink b | utton on module |
|  |                     |                 |

- 4. Wait the EasyLink negotiation complete, LED2 stop flashing and the module will reboot with the new settings. EasyLink negotiation timeout is 2 minutes. If EasyLink was failed, module would keep and use the old settings.
- 5. Now you can find the new module in local network.

|   | EMW_3280 (1023CC)<br>EMW3280_1023CC.local.<br>IP address:192.168.2.165 Po   |
|---|---|
| C | EMW_3162 (00013E)<br>EMW3162_00013E.local. ><br>IP address:192.168.2.194 Po |
|   | EMW_3161 (05B79B)<br>EMW3161_05B79B.local.                                  |
|   |   |
|   |   |
|   |   |

# 6 Low power modes

Every EMW module is combined with a general purpose microcontroller and a Wi-Fi MAC/RF chip. Each chip has its own low power modes. They build up the whole power consumption of the module.

| Modes Description        |  | Power          |
|--------------------------|--|----------------|
| Tx 65n(MCS 7)            | Tx 65n(MCS 7) Sending a Package          |                |
| Tx 54g                   | Tx 54g Sending a Package                 |                |
| Tx 11b Sending a Package |  | 280mA@18.5dBm  |
| RX                       | RF is ready to receive any Wi-Fi package | 52mA           |
|                          | RF tries to sleep if no data is          |                |
| IEEE power               | transmitting, and wake up every DTIM     | 1.9mA (DTIM=1) |
| save                     | interval to inquiry data which is        |                |
|                          | temporary stored in the AP               |                |
| Dowor down               | The primary MAC address, such as         | 11             |
| Fower down               | "00:11:22:33:44:55"                      | TIUA           |

1. Wi-Fi MAC/RF chip low power modes

To maintain a Wi-Fi link, RX mode is needed to receive Wi-Fi packages, and enable IEEE power save mode can reduce the power consumption in RX mode, enable this function by writing the corresponding settings using EMSP command or build-in web page. But this mode can only be activated in station mode when Wi-Fi connection is established. The DTU firmware can enter this mode automatically, and no more user operation is needed.

Refer to command EMSP\_CMD\_SET\_PS\_MODE (COMMAND ID 0063) for details

2. Microcontroller power modes:

| Modes Description              |   | Power |
|--------------------------------|---|-------|
| Run MCU is executing some task |   | ~48mA |
| Core sleep                     | ARM core is in idle                     | ~35mA |
| Stop                           | Stop the clock when ARM core is in idle | ~1mA  |
| Standby Shut down the power    |   | ~1uA  |

MCU' s run mode and core sleep mode is operated by real-time operation system, they depends on the current task. In sleep mode, a stop mode is an extra option to save the power consumption. But UART is disabled in stop mode. To solve this problem, user needs to pull up the LoPow pin before sending any UART data to module, and pull down LoPow pin after UART transmission is complete.



Also you can pull down the wakeup pin to enter the standby mode, in this mode, MCU and RD chip are all powered down, and all network connection is also down. To wake up, just pull up the wakeup pin and module will perform a system rest and execute the normal boot sequence.

Note, to wake up EMW3161 from standby mode, an user hardware reset is needed besides pull up the wakeup pin

# 7 Network Services

## 7.1 Use mDNS (Bonjour) Service to find module in local network

The multicast Domain Name System (mDNS) is a zero configuration host name resolution service. It uses essentially the same programming interfaces, packet formats and operating semantics as the unicast Domain Name System (DNS) to resolve host names to IP addresses within small networks that do not include a local name server, but can also be used in conjunction with such servers.

The mDNS protocol is published as RFC 6762, uses IP multicast User Datagram Protocol (UDP) packets, and is implemented by the Apple Bonjour and Linux nss-mdns services.

Bonjour is Apple's implementation of Zero configuration networking (Zeroconf), a group of technologies that includes service discovery, address assignment, and hostname resolution. Bonjour locates devices such as printers, other computers, and the services that those devices offer on a local network using multicast Domain Name System (mDNS) service records.

Find more information about Bonjour at: http://www.apple.com/support/bonjour/ .

When module is connected to the network, any device on the network can use bonjour service to locate module's device name, IP address and other useful information on the module.

### 7.1.1 Bonjour definition:

mxchipWNet-DTU firmware use the following Bonjour definitions:

Service type: \_easylinlk.\_tcp.local

Service name: Same as the <device name>#xxxxxx, xxxxxx is the last 3 bytes in the MAC address

Service port: 8089

Txt record:

| Key Description  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| "Firmware"   | Module's firmware version, such as "31620304.004"               |  |
| "Hardware" Module' s hardware version, such as "EMW3162"   |   |  |
| "MAC" The primary MAC address, such as "00:11:22:33:44:55" |   |  |
| "Protocol"   | Supported communication protocol, such as "com.mxchip.spp"      |  |
| "Cood"   | Easylink configuration seed number, It is updated each time the |  |
| Seed   | bonjour service name is changed                                 |  |
| "Vendor"   | "MXCHIP"  |  |

| Кеу            | Description                                      |
|----------------|--|
| "Socket1_Port" | The first TCP/UDP socket port number             |
| "Socket1_Type" | The first TCP/UDP socket type                    |
| "Socket2_Port" | The second TCP/UDP socket port number (optional) |
| "Socket2_Type" | The second TCP/UDP socket type (optional)        |

## 7.1.2 Demonstration:

Download EasyLink APP from APP STORE or <u>MXCHIP website</u>. Run this application on the phone. Modules in the local network can be displayed on the main screen.

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|----------|---|---------|
| Ç        | MXCHIP Wi-Fi Modules  |         |
|          | <b>EMW_3162 (0001C6)</b><br>EMW3162_0001C6.local.<br>IP address:192.168.2.165 | >       |
|          | <b>EMW_3161 (05B645)</b><br>EMW3161_05B645.local.<br>IP address:192.168.2.167 | >       |
|          | <b>EMW_3162 (4012C7)</b><br>EMW3162_4012C7.local.<br>IP address:192.168.2.170 | >       |
|          | <b>EMW_3280 (06CC43)</b><br>EMW3280_06CC43.local.<br>IP address:192.168.2.171 | >       |
|          | <b>EMW_3161 (05B79B)</b><br>EMW3161_05B79B.local.                             | >       |
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# 7.2 Use UDP broadcast to find modules in local network

EMSP commands can be delivered by network using UDP protocol on port 8089.

Firmware listen UDP packages on port 8089. So if one device needs to find available EMW modules, just send an EMSP command on port 8089 use UDP broadcast method (Target address: 255.255.255.255), and any module receive this EMSP command will send the return data to its sender.

The latest version EMW Tool Box use this function to locate the available modules in local network:

| Communicate Interface          |                |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------|----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Interface List                 | Baud Rate:     |  |  |  |  |  |
| COM3                           | 115200 🗸       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 192.168.2.165<br>192.168.2.194 | Data Bits: 8 🗸 |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                | Parity: Non 🗸  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                | Stop Bits: 1 🗸 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Refresh                        | Start Stop     |  |  |  |  |  |

# 7.3 DHCP Server

Firmware will automatically enable the DHCP server function in soft AP mode. This function can provide IP address for other devices connected to the module. The IP address range assigned to other devices is associated with the module' s own IP address.

Note: When the module enables DHCP server function, it automatically disables DHCP client function. Therefore, in Soft AP mode, module only uses a static IP address.

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