Application Note

Multi Monitoring

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1 Introduction

1.1 Terminology

• "ezTCP"

ezTCP is the brand name of Sollae's products. It provides Internet connection to common serial communication devices.

• "host"

A computer (or some network device) connected to the Internet (or local private network)

• "TCP/IP"

TCP/IP is the set of communication protocols used for the Internet and private networks.

1.2 TCP and UDP

The TCP/IP is viewed as a 4-layer system, as shown below.



It has two core protocols at Transport layer. One is the TCP (Transmission Control Protocol) and another is the UDP (User Datagram Protocol).

UDP communicates with network host by sending short message block. UDP does not establish an end-to-end connection and it does not guarantee ordered delivery of data.

On the other hand, TCP set up an end-to-end connection before communication begins. There are two hosts in TCP as called "Server" and "Client". The client makes a connection request to the server which waits the request. Also TCP maintains this connection until all data has been exchanged. And there are many mechanisms for reliably delivering the data unlike UDP.

For these reasons, TCP is called connection-oriented and reliable protocol, while UDP is connectionless and unreliable protocol.

1.3 ezTCP Operation

ezTCP has four operation mode called "ezTCP Mode" for TCP/IP communication like T2S(0), ATC(1), COD(2) and U2S(3). Each ezTCP Mode operates as below.

ezTCP Mode	TCP/IP
T2S(0)	TCP Server only
ATC(1)	TCP(both Server and Client)
COD(2)	TCP Client only
U2S(3)	UDP

TCP requires connection differently UDP. So it is only possible 1:1 communication between two hosts-the server and the client- at a time in TCP, while several hosts can communicate at a time in UDP-it means 1:N communication.

1.4 Multi-Monitoring

1.4.1 What is "Multi-Monitoring"?

When ezTCP is applied to systems which have serial devices, anyone can control and monitoring those serial devices remotely. If ezTCP user want to control or monitoring their equipments at several location at the same time, user can set up ezTCP as U2S(3) mode. But it should not use UDP in reliability system (refer to 1.2 and 1.3).

"Multi-Monitoring" feature is allowed ezTCP to communicate with several hosts in TCP at one time. It means multiple TCP connections are allowed for ezTCP, which has "Multi-Monitoring" feature. This note introduces that how to use "Multi-Monitoring" feature for product CSE-M73.



1.4.2 Diagram for exiting ezTCP

Only one TCP connection is allowed for exiting ezTCP at once.



1.4.3 Diagram for CSE-M73

CSE-M73 supports 3 Multiple TCP connections at a time. Each connection is full duplex. It means both-way communication is possible at the same time.

2 Setting

2.1 Restrictions

- Only use when ezTCP operates as "T2S(0) TCP Server" mode.
- Maximum TCP connection is 3.
- *The maximum connection is 8 on the Firmware 1.6A or later versions.*
 - User cannot use below features SSL, SSH, Telnet COM Port Control Option

2.2 Setting with ezManager

2.2.1 Set up "Multi-Monitoring" feature

Set [Multiple Connection] checkbox in "OPTION" tab of ezManger.

😡 ezTCP Manager v3.0a (2	2009/04/22)				
Search ezTCP MAC IP NAC Address Option 00 30 f9 00 00 73 IP Address Search Read Search Results Search Results IP Address Search 00:30:f9:00:00:73 IP Multiple Connection Starch Results Comment VIew Comment Network Mask					
	Password				
Status Export Variables PING / ARP					
Search All	Write	Factory Reset	Import Variables	Simple Test	
	Set Password	Debugging Message	Multi Write	Windows Firewall	
		Change F/W / HTML		Exit	

It is note that the [Communication Mode] should be set to "T2S(0) - TCP Server". The [Communication Mode] can be set at "TCP/IP" in [Serial Port] tab.

2.2.2 Check configuration

• ezManger

Click the [Status] button of ezManger. After "Status" pop-up window is opened, check if there are 3 TCP "LISTEN" state as below.

😡 Status						
Status Status Status FIRMWARE VERSION CSE-M73 / 1.4 Rev.D SYSTEM UPTIME 0 days / 00:30:42.16 IP4 NETWORK INFORMATION Device IP address - 10.1.0.1 Subnet mask - 255.0.0.0 Gateway - 0.0.0.0 Gateway - 0.0.0.0 TCP STATE TCP 0 - LISTEN TCP 1 - LISTEN TCP 2 - LISTEN SERIAL STATUS RS232 sio_rx - 0 , net_tx - 0 , net_rx - 0 , sio_tx - 0 RS485 sio_rx - 0 , net_tx - 0 , net_rx - 0 , sio_tx - 0						
TCP/IP Co	nnection					
Name	TCP State					
t2s0	LISTEN: 1470					
t2s1	LISTEN: 1470					
t2s2	LISTEN: 1470					
tty	LISTEN: 23					
Password						
Refresh	Every 1 Second.					
	Close					



telnet console •

User can log on telnet console of CSE-M73. After log on, send "st net" command.

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CSE- 1sh≻	M73 Management Console v st net	1.4D Sollae Systems			
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TCP	10.1.0.1(1470)	0.0.0() Ø	LISTEN	
TCP	10.1.0.1(1470)	0.0.0() 0	LISTEN	
TCP	10.1.0.1(1470)	0.0.0() 0	LISTEN	
lsh>					~

There are 3 TCP "LISTEN" state as shown above.



3 Example of use

3.1 Connecting to CSE-M73

Confirm "Multi-Monitoring" feature by using "ezTerm". "ezTerm" is the socket communication test program, which is supplied freely. It can be downloaded from served CD or our webpage.

Data Length	36 🔷 Apply	Load	Save	Send Data
TCP Client Local Port 1470	Keep Alive Remote Host Address	Remote Host Port 1470		
Connect	Disconnect Telnet]		Bxit

Input [Remote Host Address] and [Remote Host Port] with [Local IP Address] and [Local Port] of CSE-M73. And click the [Connect] button as shown above. The below is the screenshot after TCP connection is set up.

Data Length 36 Apply Load Save	Send Data
TCP Client Keep Alive Local Port Remote Host Address Remote Host Port 1470 10.1.0.1 1470	
Connect Disconnect Telnet	Exit
connecced (10.1.0.1 : 14/0)	

Run new ezTerm and do this process twice again.

3.2 Confirm connections

3.2.1 Confirm with telnet console

The below is result of sending "st net" command to CSE-M73's telnet console.

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pr o c o		auures 	5		auur es:	∍ 	senuq 		
TCP	10	.1.0.1(23)	10	.1.0.2(4090)	122	ESTABLIS	HED
TCP	10	.1.0.1(1470)	10	.1.0.2(4085)	6	ESTABLIS	HED
TCP	10	.1.0.1(1470)	10	.1.0.2(4086)	6	ESTABLIS	HED
16P 1ch>	15	.1.0.1(1470)	- 15	.1.0.2(4087)	5	E21HBF12	HEV
1311/									~
									×

User can check 3 TCP connections like above screenshot. (TCP Port 1470)

3.2.2 Confirm with DOS command of MS Windows

User can use DOS command of MS Windows. The command is "netstat -n" and the result is like below.

🔤 Comr	nand Prompt			- 🗆 🗙	
Microsoft Windows XP [Version 5.1.2600] (C) Copyright 1985-2001 Microsoft Corp.					
C:₩>nets	tat -n				
Active (Connections				
Proto	Local Address	Foreign Address	State		
TCP	10.1.0.2:2870	10.1.0.1:23	ESTABLISHED		
TCP	10.1.0.2:2872	10.1.0.1:1470	ESTABLISHED		
TCP	10.1.0.2:2873	10.1.0.1:1470	ESTABLISHED		
TCP	10.1.0.2:2874	10.1.0.1:1470	ESTABLISHED		
C:₩>					
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				► //	

3.3 Data flow

3.3.1 Hosts to CSE-M73

All data from connected hosts send only to user's serial devices. When there are 3 connections to CSE-M73 and incoming data from hosts to CSE-M73, CSE-M73 does not separate each data which is come from each host. So user's serial equipment should separate incoming data from CSE-M73.

3.3.2 CSE-M73 to hosts

All data from serial devices send all connected hosts. If the present connection number is 3 -for example connection A, B and C-, incoming serial data send to all hosts A, B and C.



4 Revision History

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