XBee configuration

- 1. Download Digi XBee Studio and use 802.15.4 firmware in temporary. Also, remember to change the drone's SYSID in Mission Planner.
- 2. Make the XBee modules in the same CH(Channel) and ID(Pan ID). Change NI to identify the modules. Set the BD(Baud Rate) to 57600.
- 3. Coordinator: Set CE(Device Role=1) to coordinator and enable API(AP=1). Endpoint: Set CE(Device Role=0) to endpoint and set mode(AP=0) to transparent mode(AT mode).
- 802.15.4 only have coordinator and endpoints. And we set them in the different mode: API and AT mode.
- 4. Coordinator: Set DL(Destination Address Low) to FFFF in broadcast mode.
- 5. There are two ways to address parameters for endpoints. Set DH, DL to host's SH, SL, or set the host's MY(16-bit Source Address). For example, set coordinator's MY=1. Then we can set endpoints' DL=1.

Coordinator



6. Some people recommend Ardupilot's parameters should be changed: TELEM_DELAY = 10, BRD_SER1_RTSCTS = 0

Others: Use zigbee3.0 or DigiMesh. It includes Router.

Coordinator	Router	Endpoint
JV: Disabled	JV: Enabled	JV: Enabled
CE: Enabled	CE: Disabled	CE: Disabled

Python codes work like XBee console in XCTU, here are the codes I test:

Coordinator

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coordinator_api.py 1 X
C: > Users > user > @ coordinator_api.py > ...
       import threading
       import time
       from digi.xbee.devices import XBeeDevice
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       # Configure XBee connection
      PORT = "/dev/ttyUSB1"
  7
      BAUD_RATE = 57600
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  9
      # Initialize XBee device
      device = XBeeDevice(PORT, BAUD_RATE)
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      device.open()
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       # Callback function to handle incoming messages
       def data received callback(xbee message):
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 15
           sender = xbee_message.remote_device.get_64bit_addr()
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 17
               data = xbee_message.data.decode("utf-8") # Attempt UTF-8 decoding
           except UnicodeDecodeError:
 18
               data = xbee_message.data.hex() # Fallback to HEX if decoding fails
 19
 20
           print(f"\nReceived from {sender}: {data}\nEnter message: ", end="")
 21
       # Register callback for incoming data
 22
 23
       device.add_data_received_callback(data_received_callback)
 24
 25
       # Function to send broadcast messages (runs in a separate thread)
      def send messages():
 26
           while True:
 27
               user_input = input("\nEnter message: ") # User input
 28
               status = device.send data_broadcast(user_input) # Broadcast message
 29
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               if status:
 31
                   print("Broadcast message sent successfully!")
 32
               else:
 33
                   print("Failed to send broadcast message.")
 34
       # Start the message sending thread
 35
       send_thread = threading.Thread(target=send_messages, daemon=True)
 36
       send thread.start()
 37
 38
      print("Broadcast chat mode activated. Type a message and press Enter to send.\n")
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 41
       # Keep the program running
 42
      try:
 43
          while True:
 44
               time.sleep(0.1) # Reduce CPU usage and ensure stability
       except KeyboardInterrupt:
 45
           print("\nProgram terminated.")
 46
 47
           device.close()
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Endpoint

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endpoint_at.py X
C: > Users > user > 💠 endpoint_at.py
      import serial
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      import threading
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      PORT = "COM15" # AT Mode XBee COM Port
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      BAUD RATE = 57600
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  7
      # Initialize serial connection
      ser = serial.Serial(PORT, BAUD RATE, timeout=1)
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      # Function to receive messages from the Coordinator
 11
      def receive data():
           while True:
 12
               data = ser.readline().decode("utf-8", errors="ignore").strip() # Read incoming data
 13
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               if data:
                   print(f"\nReceived from Coordinator: {data}")
 15
                   print("Enter message: ", end="", flush=True) # Keep input prompt intact
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       # Function to send messages to the Coordinator
      def send data():
 19
           while True:
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 21
               user_input = input("\nEnter message: ") # User input
               ser.write(user_input.encode() + b'\r') # Send message in AT Mode
 22
 23
               print("Message sent.")
 24
 25
       # Start the receiving thread
      receive_thread = threading.Thread(target=receive_data, daemon=True)
 26
      receive_thread.start()
 27
 28
       # Start the sending thread
 29
       send_thread = threading.Thread(target=send_data, daemon=True)
 30
 31
      send_thread.start()
 32
      print("AT Mode XBee communication started. Type a message and press Enter to send.\n")
 33
 34
 35
      # Keep the program running
 36
      try:
           while True:
 37
 38
              pass
 39
      except KeyboardInterrupt:
           print("\nProgram terminated.")
 40
 41
           ser.close()
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