

M500 Thermal Imaging Camera

Communication protocol

V2.0

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1. Communication channel description

The thermal imaging camera data transmitted to computer in the mode of asynchronous serial communication, the hardware interface is RS232, the hardware parameter in following:

Baud rate: 19200 bps

Start bit: 1 bit

Stop bit: 1 bit

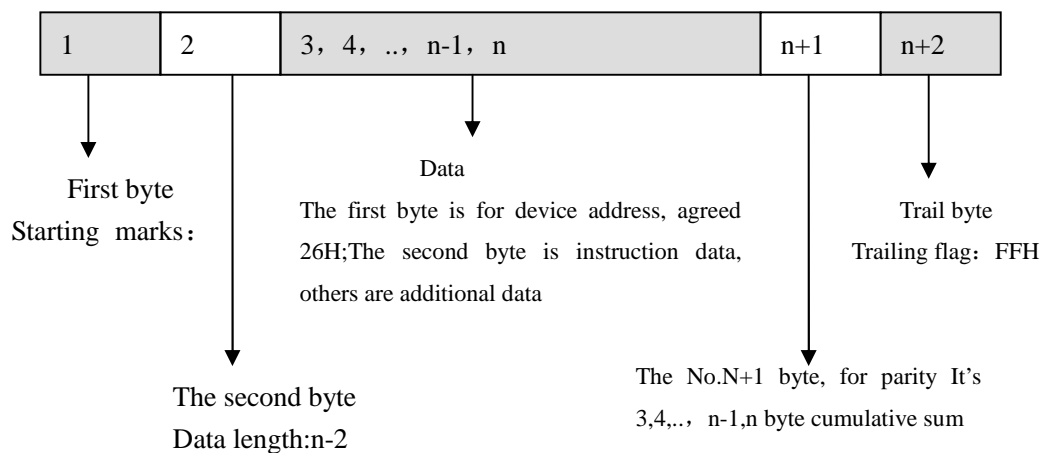
Parity Check: None

Data bit: 8 bit

2. Communication protocol software description

2.1 PC send commands to thermal imaging camera via serial port to control the thermal imaging camera. The communication command sending comply with agreed packet format.

2.2 Agreed packet data format:



- (1) Starting marks: 1 Byte, F0H in hexadecimal notation;
- (2) Data length: 1 Byte, X;
- (3) Data: The number of length bytes data;
- (4) Check sum: The cumulative sum of length bytes data lower's 8 bits;
- (5) Trailing flag: 1 byte, FFH in hexadecimal notation;
- (6) In data packet, except starting marks and trailing flag, it means that from the 2nd to the N+1 bit date, if key data F0H, FFH or F5H occurred, it should be replaced by F5H 00H, F5H 0FH, F5H 05H for sending.
- (7) In data packet the date length is count valid date only, it means that the escape character is not necessary and forbid to add on.

3. Communication protocol commands list-PC commands

| Commands data packet name | Device addresses | Command identifier | Additional data | Comments |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|--|---------------------------|
| Status enquiry | 26H | 00H | | Feedback |
| Polarity setting | 26H | 01H | One byte 00H is white hot; 0FH is black hot. | |
| Zoom in | 26H | 02H | One byte.00H:Normal ; 02H :2X zoom in; 04H:4X zoom in | |
| Auto mode setting | 26H | 03H | One byte,01H:Fixed gain(contrast), 02H:Auto gain | |
| Video contrast setting | 26H | 04H | One byte, 0~100. | |
| Video contrast increase setting | 26H | 05H | | |
| Video contrast decrease setting | 26H | 06H | | |
| Image mirror | 26H | 07H | One byte 00H No mirror , 01H Left/right mirror , 02H up/down mirror , 03H left/right, up/down mirror | |
| video brightness setting | 26H | 09H | One byte, 0~100. | |
| Video brightness increase setting | 26H | 0AH | | |
| Video brightness decrease setting | 26H | 0BH | . | |
| Cursor display/hide | 26H | 0CH | One byte,00H is hide, 01H is display | |
| Cursor move by X-axis | 26H | 0DH | Two bytes.first byte: direction.00H is X+,01H is X- Second byte:moving step size,1~255 | |
| Cursor move by Y-axis | 26H | 0EH | Two bytes.first byte:direction.00H is Y-,01H is Y+ Second byte:moving step size,1~255 | |
| Cursor move to the set position | 26H | 0FH | Four bytes.The first and second bytes is X-axis,the third and forth bytes is Y-axis | |
| Save cursor position | 26H | 10H | | |
| System reset | 26H | 80H | | Camera restore to default |

Agreed device address is 26H

4. Communication commands list-Camera response commands

The thermal imaging camera is not able to send data out directly, it only send data response when it get “status enquiry” the response data packet comply with “communication data packet agreement”.

| Response data name | Device address | Command identifier | Additional data |
|--------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Status enquiry | 26H | 00H | First byte: B0: Polarity mark, 0 for white hot, 1 for black hot; B2,B1: Zoom in setting, 0 Normal image, 1 2X zoom in, 2 4X zoom in; B4,B3: Auto mode setting, 0 for mode 0, 1 for mode 1, 2 for mode 2; B6,B5: image mirror. 0 No mirror, 1 Left/right mirror, 2 up/down mirror, 3 left/right, up/down mirror Others are reserved bits, Set as 0. Second byte: Video contrast Third byte: video brightness |
| Feedback | 26H | 00H or the received command | One byte. 00H: command correct 01H: check code error 02H: command identifier error 03H: attached file error or out of range 04H: data send interval too long, the feedback command identifier is 00H 05H: data packet format error. feedback command identifier is 00H |

5. Communication commands list for reference

The camera device code is 26H:

- (1) Status enquiry: F0 02 26 00 26 FF
- (2) Polarity setting (White hot): F0 03 26 01 00 27 FF
- (3) Polarity setting (Black hot): F0 03 26 01 0F 36 FF
- (4) Zoom in (Normal): F0 03 26 02 00 28 FF
- (5) Zoom in (2X zoom): F0 03 26 02 02 2A FF
- (6) Zoom in (4X zoom): F0 03 26 02 04 2C FF
- (7) Auto mode setting (Auto Gain): F0 03 26 03 02 2B FF
- (8) Auto mode setting (Fixed Gain): F0 03 26 03 01 2A FF
- (9) Video contrast setting: F0 03 26 04 0F 39 FF
- (10) Video contrast increasing setting: F0 03 26 05 04 2F FF

- (11) Video contrast decreasing setting: F0 03 26 06 04 30 FF
- (12) System reset: F0 02 26 80 A6 FF
- (13) Video brightness setting: F0 03 26 09 0F 3E FF
- (14) Video brightness increasing setting: F0 02 26 0A 30 FF
- (15) Video brightness decreasing setting:F0 02 26 0B 31 FF
- (16) Cursor X- move: F0 04 26 0D 00 01 34 FF
- (17) Cursor X+ move: F0 04 26 0D 01 01 35 FF
- (18) Cursor Y- move: F0 04 26 0E 00 01 35 FF
- (19) Cursor Y+ move: F0 04 26 0E 01 01 36 FF
- (20) Save cursor position:F0 02 26 10 36 FF
- (21) Image mirror (original): F0 03 26 07 00 2D FF
- (22) Image mirror(left/right): F0 03 26 07 01 2E FF
- (23) Image mirror(up/down): F0 03 26 07 02 2F FF
- (24) Image mirror(total): F0 03 26 07 03 30 FF