

Device: Dream Chip - ATOM One Mini

ATOM one Mini are small POV cameras controller over serial. Via an ethernet to serial converter you can color control this camera using SKAARHOJ controllers.

For more information on the camera, please go to <https://www.dreamchip.de/products/atom-one-family/atom-one-mini.html>



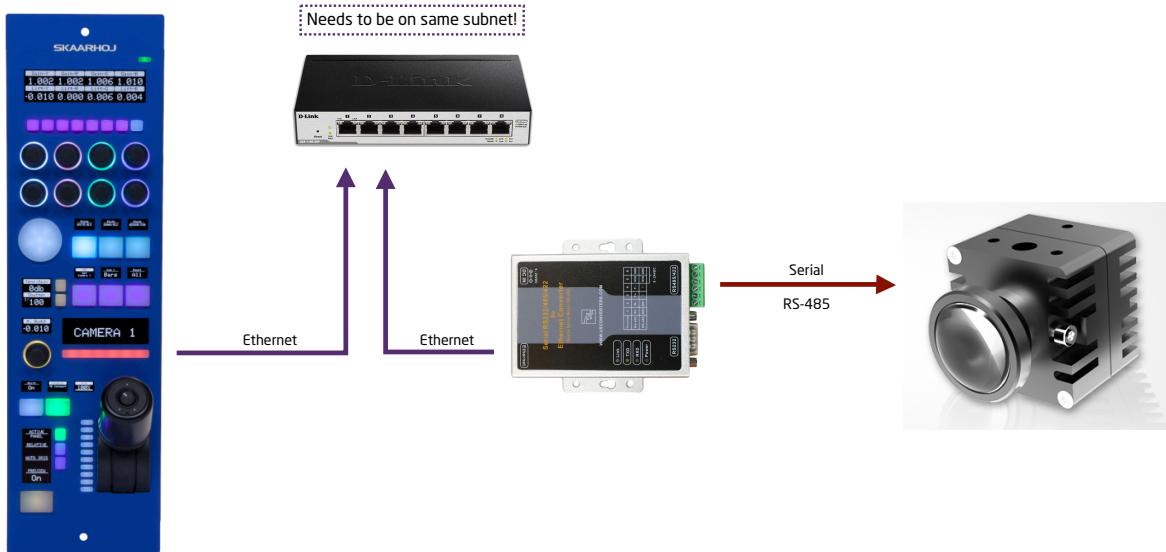
Please use the instructions in this manual to make connection between a SKAARHOJ controller and the ATOM One Mini Dream Chip camera.

As a extra resource please also watch this video <https://vimeo.com/328643703> from Dream Chip on how to prepare the camera



Ethernet to Serial connection

To communicate via serial (RS-485) to the Dream Chip camera you need an Ethernet-Serial converter. We suggest you get a XS1200 from US Converters - <http://www.usconverters.com/serial-rs232-device-server>



There is a quirk you should know about: The XS1200 only accepts a single TCP connection at a time and it will take some time to realise if a client disconnected silently before it allows a new connection. In essence this means if the SKAARHOJ controller was connected and is rebooted without disconnecting, the XS1200 Server may not realise this before after some time. Therefore you may need to powercycle it along with the SKAARHOJ controller to make sure it will accept a connection.

Below you will find screenshots of how to configure the XS1200 converter (found of the web interface of the XS1200).

**SERIAL TO ETHERNET CONVERTER
PART: XS1200
WWW.USCONVERTERS.COM**

Logout

Basic **Advance** **Security**

Serial Settings

Device Name	DSM1
Data Baud Rate	115200
Data Bits	8
Data Parity	None
Stop Bits	1
Flow Control	None
Serial Type	RS485

Network Settings

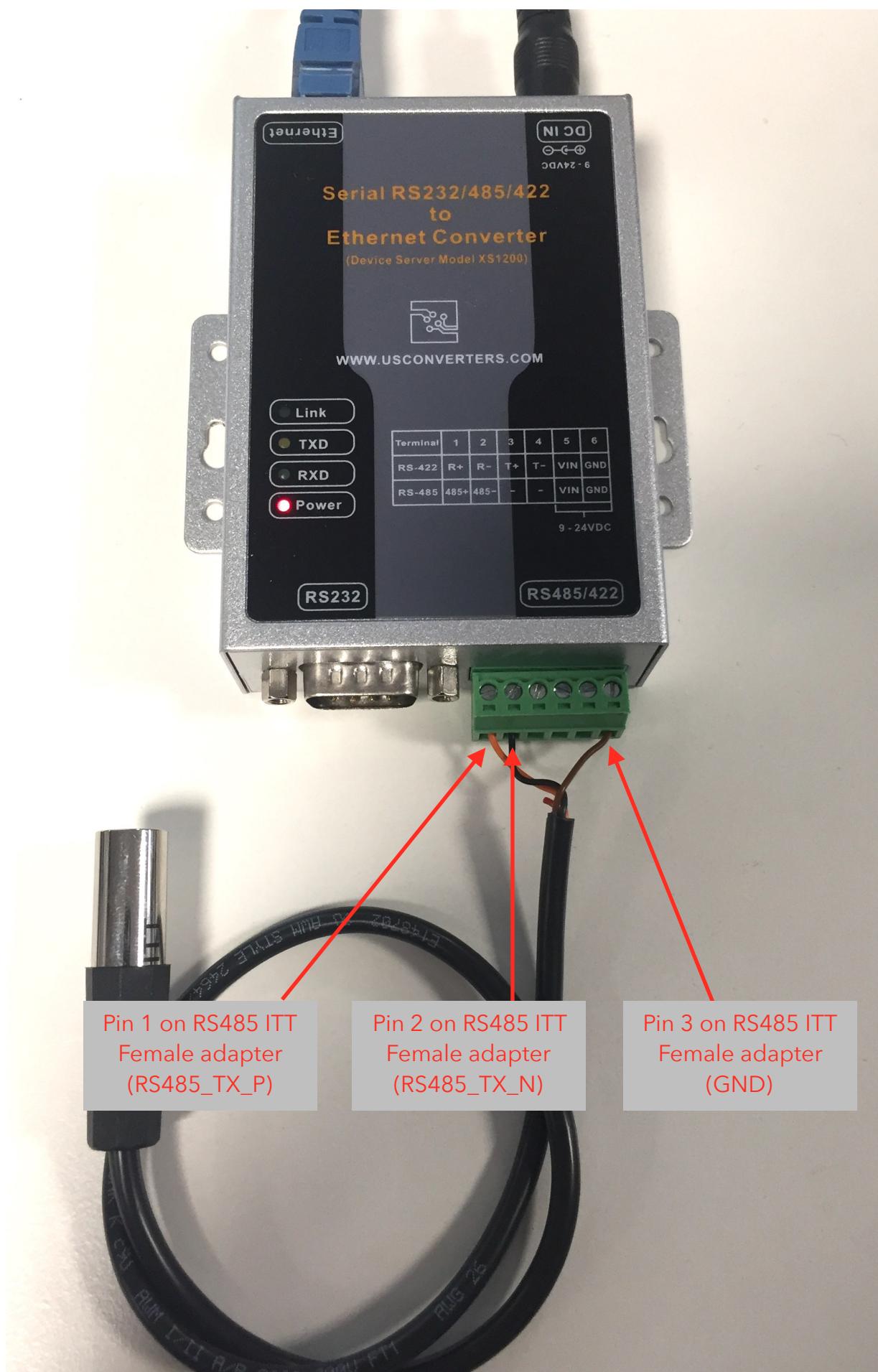
DHCP Client	Disable
Static IP Address	192.168.10.230
Static Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
Static Default Gateway	192.168.10.1
Static DNS Server	168.95.1.1
Connection Type	TCP
Transmit Timer	100 <i>Please enter an integer between 10~65535 ms</i>
Server/Client Mode	Server
Server Listening Port	5000 <i>Please enter an integer between 1024~65535</i>
Client Destination Host Name/IP	192.168.2.2 <i>Please enter host name or IP address</i>
Client Destination Port	5000 <i>Please enter an integer between 1024~65535</i>

Buttons: Apply, Cancel, Reboot, Restore default

Make sure to set up an IP address in your range here. This is the IP address you must also set up inside the SKAARHOJ controller for the Device Core! Here it is set to 192.168.10.230 and corresponding subnet mask. Please see section "Transmit Timer on XS1200" for adjustments to this value.

For serial commands the default for the ATOM one mini is 115200 8N1 (from their manual).

Cabling to the XS1200 is via the RS-485 connector. 3 wires are necessary. GND and then 485+ and 485-.



Look in the ATOM one mini manual for cabling instructions. For the RS485 ITT Female M-XL-3-11L connector the 3 wires are indicated as GND, RS485_TX_N and RS485_TX_P.

The coloration between these and the XS1200 is the following:

RS485_TX_N = 485-

RS485_TX_P = 485+

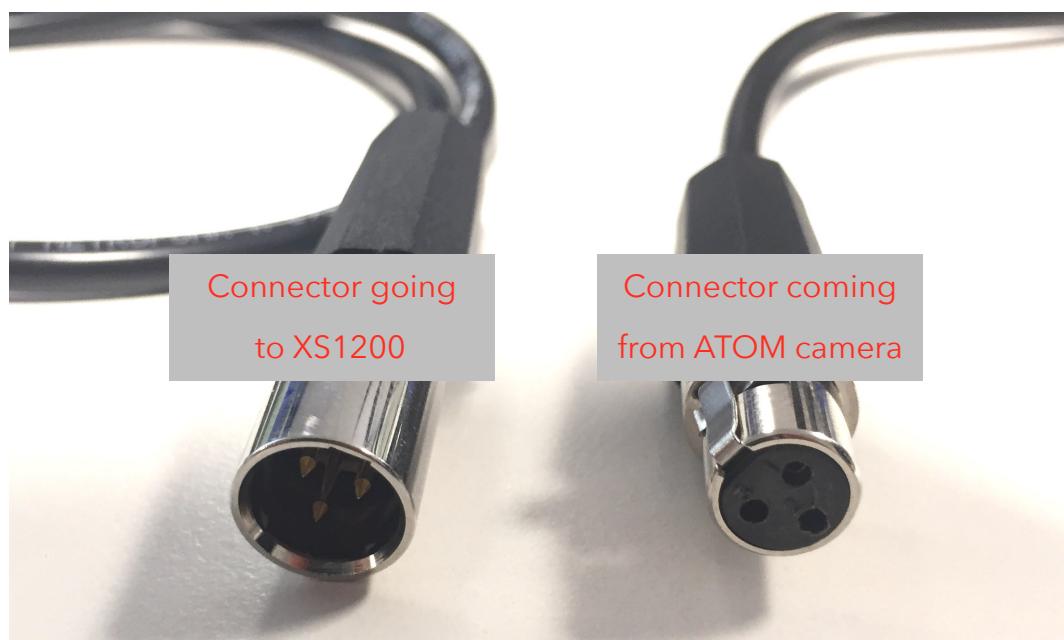
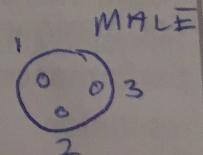
3.1 Power / RS485 Connector

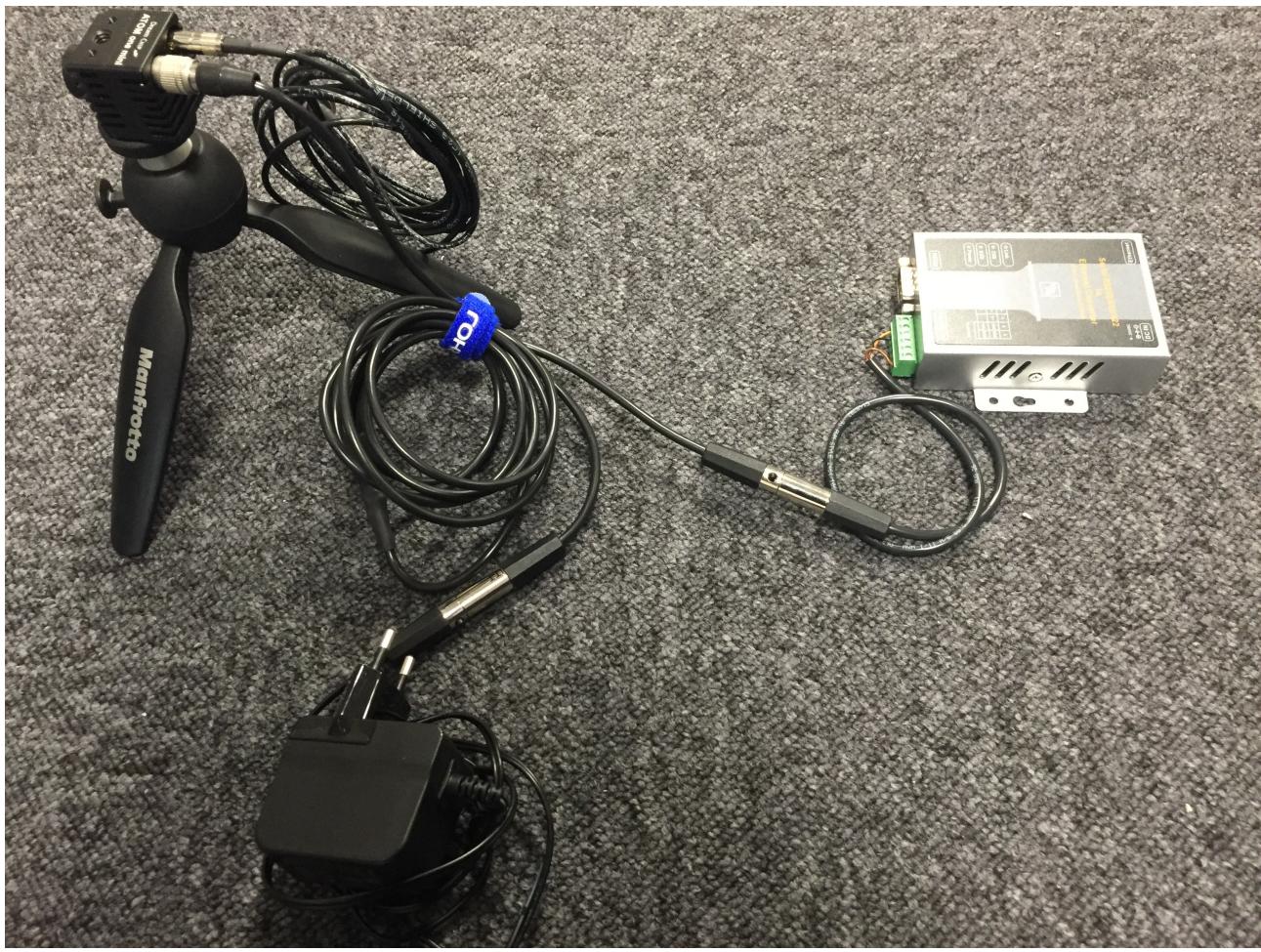
The power connector is a Hirose male HR10 6 pin connector. The following table shows required plugs. Dream Chip offers a mini XLR adapter.

	Female HR10A-7P-6S(73)	Signal	Dream Chip 4-wire Power Cable	Power ITT Male M-XL-3-12L	RS485 ITT Female M-XL-3-11L
6	Power in	red		1	
5	GND	brown		3	3
4	RS485_TX_P				
3	RS485_TX_N				
2	RS485_TX_N	black			2 brown
1	RS485_TX_P	orange			1 white

3.2 SDI Output

The HD-BNC output is SMPTE 292M / 424M complaint.





Connection to the XS1200 can be confirmed from the serial monitor with the message "DCA SerialConv Connected!". This means connection between a SKAARHOJ unit and the XS1200 have been established, however it does not necessarily mean that connection to the camera have also been established. This can be confirmed if you get feedback in the displays on a controller. A action such as the "CamTemperature C" can be used to monitor connection.

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Serial Monitor

Command input. Press enter to send.

*****
SKAARHOJ Controller Booting
*****
SK VERSION: v2.2.143
SK defConfigCsc=250
SK MODEL: SK_RCPV2
SK SERIAL: 4097
EEPROM size: 32 KB
I2C 400 kHz mode activated
Init LEDs and buttons
Init Joystick
Calibration for analog component #1 (Fader): Start: 105, End: 112,
Hysteresis: 2
Calibration for analog component #2 (Wheel): Start: 2, End: 2, Hysteresis:
2
Preset 1 loaded
HWvar:255
MAC address: 92:A1:DA:62:00:CF
IP address: 192.168.10.96
Subnet mask: 255.255.255.0
Gateway: 192.168.10.1
DNS: 192.168.10.1
Processor: A-1000 Rev: 1.0
Compiled: Jun 3 2019 12:39:58
DeviceCore #0: DREAMCHIP0, IP = 192.168.10.33
Started Dreamchip Atom Devicecore!
setup() Done
*****
DCA SerialConv Connected!
*****  

System action 2
Mem A: 1
System action 17
32
.104
 Auto scroll
    
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Connection Order

If the SKAARHOJ controller and the XS1200 have been powered prior to the cameras being turned on the XS1200 might not initialise properly and there will be no control of the camera(s). A reboot of the SKAARHOJ controller will typically solve this.

We recommend the Dream Chip cameras being powered prior to turning on SKAARHOJ controller/XS1200.

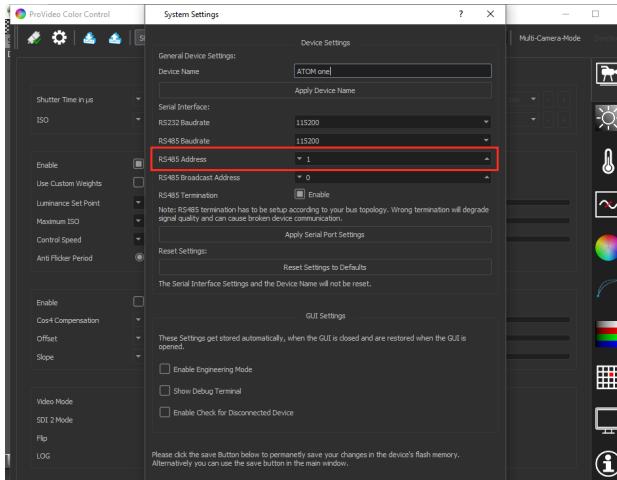
Transmit Timer on XS1200

The transmitter timer value on a XS1200 will typically be 100 ms per default. We recommend lowering the value to 10 ms for obtaining a more smooth user experience. In particular brightness adjustment will be more fluent with the value set to 10 ms.

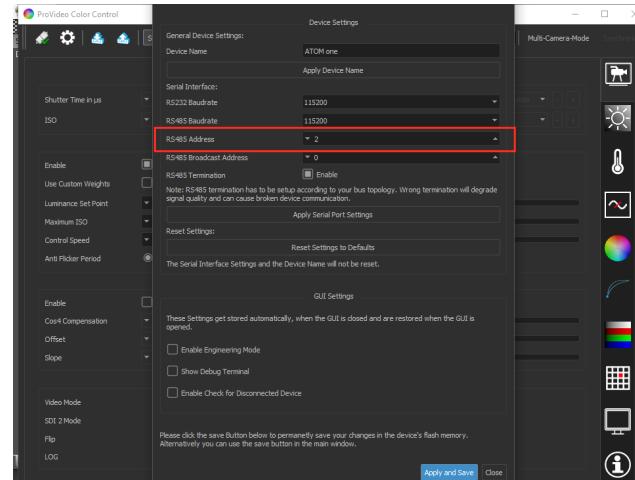
Transmit Timer	<input type="text" value="10"/>
Please enter an integer between 10~65535 ms	

Controlling Multiple Cameras

We have only tested controlling two ATOM One cameras in a daisy chain configuration. Our implementation allows for control of up to 10 cameras from the same Device Core, but this have never been tested. In order to control multiple cameras the RS485 address on the camera itself must be set by the software provided by Dream Chip. See example below.

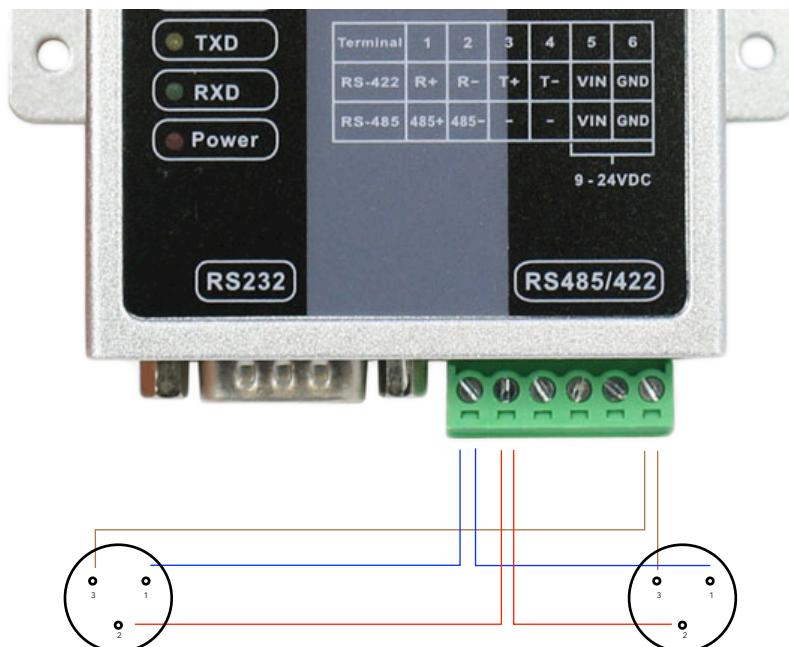


RS485 Address: 1

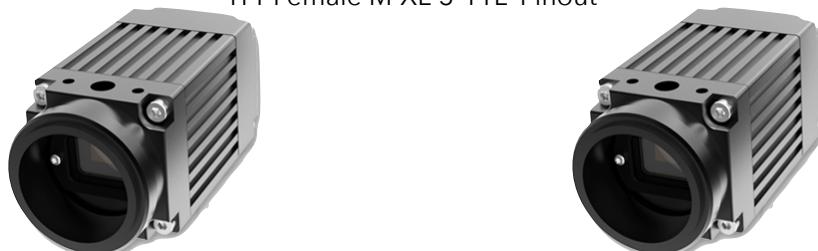


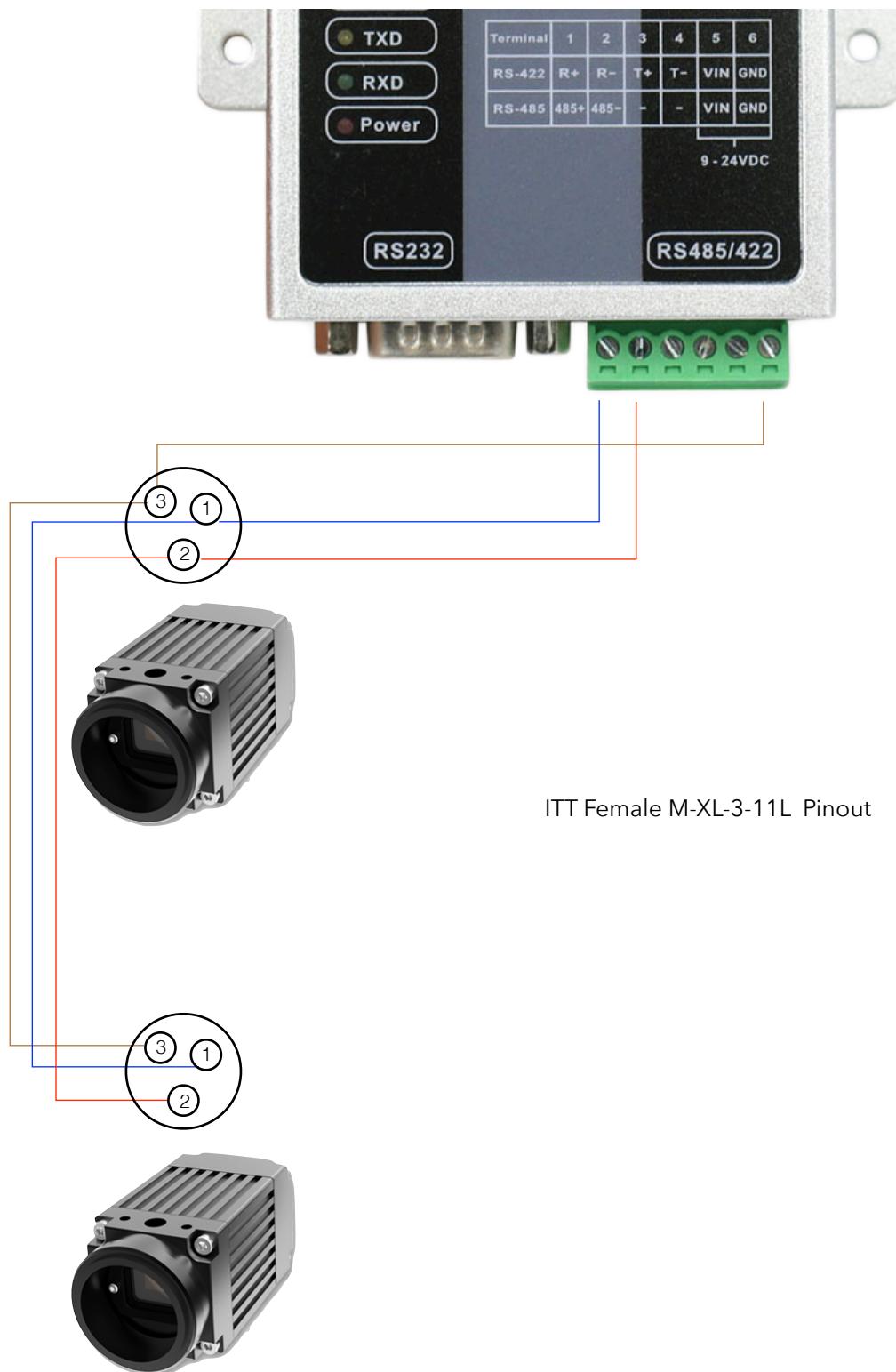
RS485 Address: 2

With the current integration then if connection is lost to a camera that have already been connected to the controller, performance for controlling the remaining cameras are severely degraded. We are working on optimising this.

Setup for controlling two ATOM One cameras - star configuration from XS1200 Converter

ITT Female M-XL-3-11L Pinout



Setup for controlling two ATOM One cameras - daisy chain configuration from XS1200 Converter

ATOM one Family

Currently we have tested our integration with the ATOM one Mini and the ATOM One. We are working on expanding control for the rest of the ATOM one family.

Actions

An excerpt of the list of the Dream Chip Device Core

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Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Gain
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Image Flip
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Iris Position
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Zoom Position
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Focus Position
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Filter Position
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: CamTemperature C
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Exposure time
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: SDI Black
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: SDI White
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Brightness
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Contrast
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Hue
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Saturation
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Single Shot White Balance
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: White Balance Preset
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Continous Auto White Balance
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Auto White Balance Speed
✓ Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Color Gain
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Black Master
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Black
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Flare
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Filter Detail
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Filter Denoise
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Filter enable
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Knee Point
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Knee Slope
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Knee WhiteClip
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Knee enable
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: LUT Mode
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: LUT Preset
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: LUT Fast Gamma
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: LUT Fixed Mode
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: LUT Enable
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Video Mode
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: Audio enable
Dream Chip ATOM1 Mini: AutoExposureControl enable
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