

# HC-05 Bluetooth extension Design

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# 1 Introduction

The HC-05 chip is a Bluetooth module with a AT command mode. It can be used as a Bluetooth master or slave, with the possibility of connecting to the previous connection automatically at start-up. It can also boot into the AT Command mode and set all parameters, list the available peripherals and connect to one.

It has 5 pins of interest plus VCC and GND : EN, STATE, Rx, Tx and the pin34 (ATSel). The picture 1 below show the hc05 board with it's connectivity.

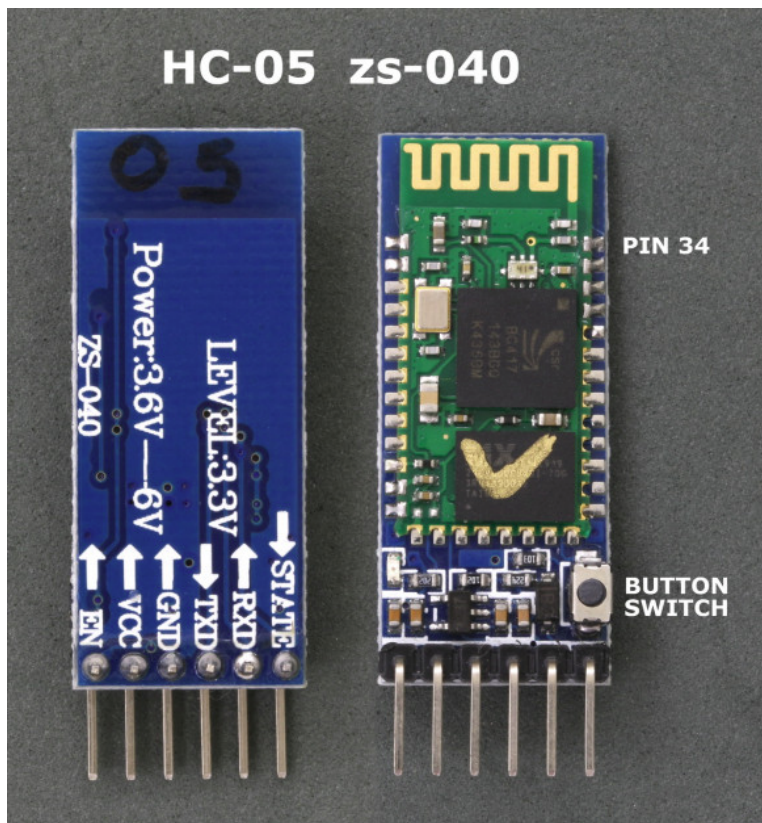


Figure 1: The hc05 module.

The goal is to make available this Bluetooth module to use on the FPGA and to make it easily usable. Figure 2 depicts how to use it from the CPU point of view.

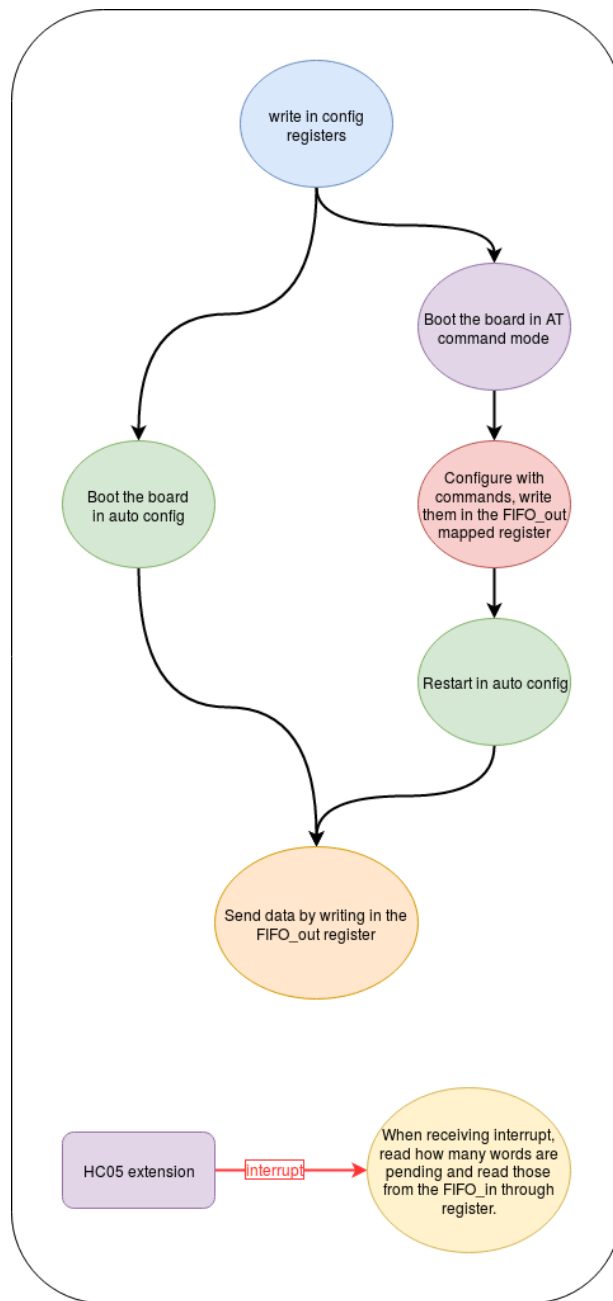


Figure 2: Uses flowchart seen by the CPU.

## **2 Parameters**

### **2.1 Default configuration**

- Device type : 0
- Inquire code : 0x009e8b33
- Module work mode : Slave Mode
- Connection mode : Connect to the BT device specified
- Baud rate : 9600 bits/s
- Stop bit : 1 bit
- Parity bit : None
- Passkey : "1234"
- Device name : "HC-05"

### **2.2 Serial Parameters**

The HC05 supports all these parameters for the serial communication on the UART ports :

#### **2.2.1 Baud rates**

- 4800 bits/s
- 9600 bits/s
- 19200 bits/s
- 38400 bits/s
- 57600 bits/s
- 115200 bits/s
- 230400 bits/s
- 460800 bits/s
- 921600 bits/s
- 1382400 bits/s

### 2.2.2 Stop bit

- 1 bit
- 2 bit

### 2.2.3 Parity bit

- None
- Odd parity
- Even parity

The UART works as described on figure 3. It starts with the start bit, always '0', then comes the data (here 8 bits), least significant bit first, then the parity bit (if set), and then 1 or 2 stop bit, always '1'.

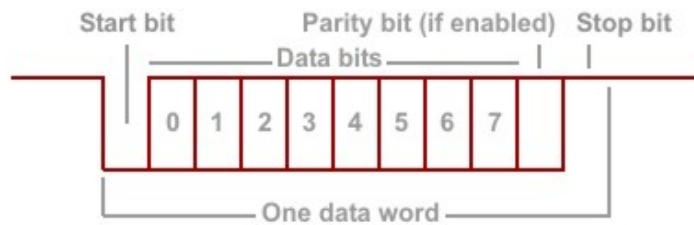


Figure 3: UART data transfert.

## 2.3 Connection mode

The HC05 has three Bluetooth connection modes :

- Connect to specified address
- Connect to any address
- Slave-Loop

## 3 Design Choices

Here I will show how the extension will look like, see figure 4. It will consist of Four parts:

- Registers, to store configuration, status and other things,
- A FIFO\_OUT to send data from the CPU to the UART custom interface,
- A FIFO\_IN to receive data from the HC05,
- A custom UART interface to communicate to the HC05.

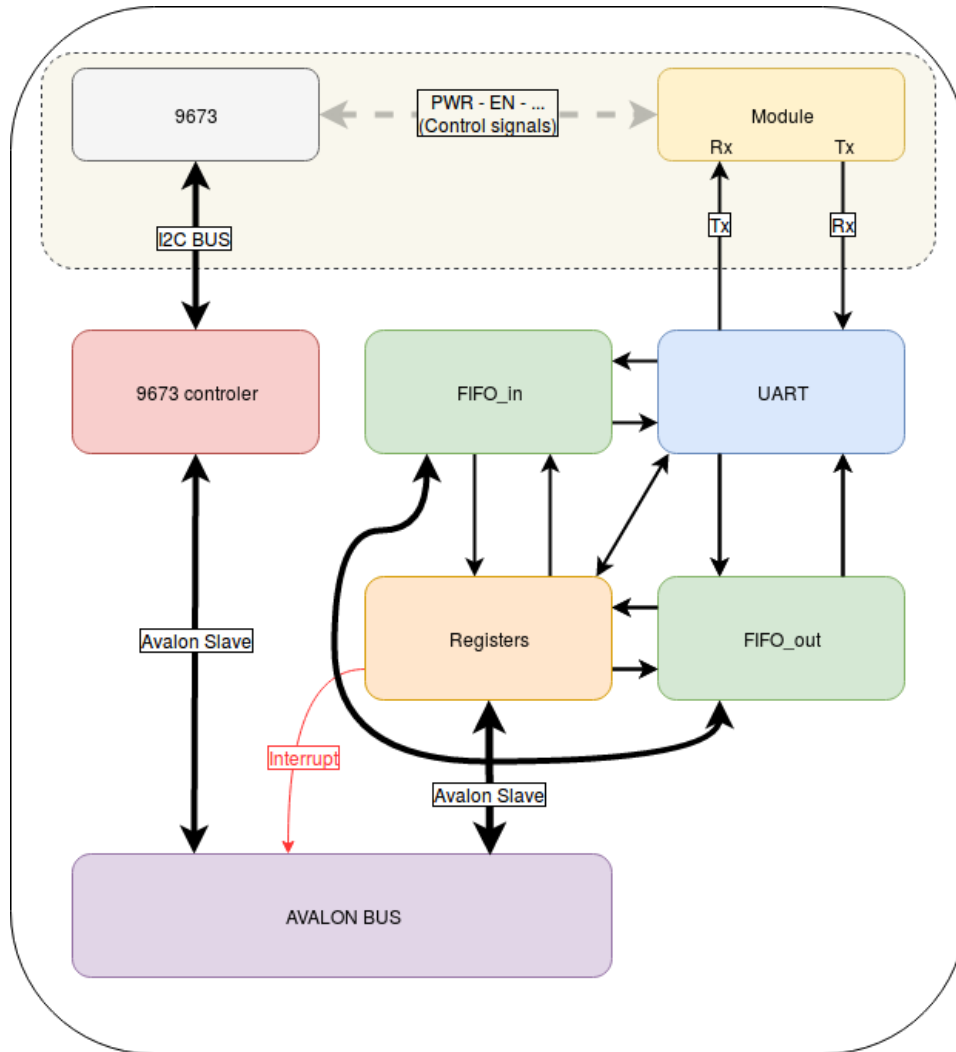


Figure 4: High level block diagram of the HC05 extension.

### 3.1 Registers

The registers will have height registers :

- A control register `CTRL`,
- A status register `STATUS`,
- A register for the `UART waiting cycles` (depends on the UART rate),
- The `FIFO_out_data` register,
- The `FIFO_out_free_space` register,
- The `FIFO_in_data` register,
- The `FIFO_in_pending_data` register.
- The `reset_FIFO` register.

Here is the register map in table 1 below.

Table 1: Register map of the Registers component.

| # | addr | 31..8                | 7             | 6 | 5         | 4 | 3 | 2         | 1        | 0       | R/W |
|---|------|----------------------|---------------|---|-----------|---|---|-----------|----------|---------|-----|
| 0 | 0x00 | Unused               |               |   | UART_CTRL |   |   | I_ENABLE  |          | UART_ON | R/W |
| 1 | 0x04 | Unused               |               |   |           |   |   | i_pending |          |         | R/W |
| 2 | 0x08 | UART_wait_cycles     |               |   |           |   |   |           |          |         | R/W |
| 3 | 0x0C | ignored              | FIFO_out_data |   |           |   |   |           |          |         | W   |
| 4 | 0x10 | FIFO_out_free_space  |               |   |           |   |   |           |          |         | R   |
| 5 | 0x14 | zeros                | FIFO_in_data  |   |           |   |   |           |          |         | R   |
| 6 | 0x18 | FIFO_in_pending_data |               |   |           |   |   |           |          |         | R   |
| 7 | 0x1C | Unused               |               |   |           |   |   | reset_out | reset_in | W       |     |

| UART_CTRL  |          |   | I_ENABLE  |            |
|------------|----------|---|-----------|------------|
| 5          | 4        | 3 | 2         | 1          |
| parity_bit | stop_bit |   | i_dropped | i_received |

The role of each bit is described below :

- 0x00 :
  - `UART_ON` : Specifies if the UART will capture or send data or if it will stay off.
  - `i_received` : Specifies if the device can send interrupts request when receiving data from the HC05.



- `i_dropped` : Specifies if the device can send interrupts request when some data is dropped.
  - `stop_bit` : Specifies the number of stop bit, '0' for 1, '1' for 2.
  - `parity_bit` : Specifies the parity bit, "00" for None, "10" for Even and "11" for Odd.
- 0x04 :
    - `i_pending` : Tells if there is an interrupt waiting to be served by the CPU. The CPU must clear it by software when serving the interrupt. Bit 0 is for `i_received`, bit 1 is for `i_dropped`. Writing '1' to any of the two bits has no effect.
  - 0x08 : `UART_wait_cycles` : Specifies to the UART how many cycles it should wait before capturing the values during the transfert. The values to put are described in the table 2 below for a 50MHz clock.
  - 0x0C : `FIFO_out_data` : Address to write to send data to the HC05 through the `FIFO_out`. The write must has the `byte_enable` signal equal to "0001".
  - 0x10 : `FIFO_out_free_space` : Number of free words (10 bits) in the `FIFO_out`.
  - 0x14 : `FIFO_in_data` : Address to read to receive data from the HC05 through the `FIFO_in`.
  - 0x18 : `FIFO_out_free_space` : Number of waiting words (11 bits) in the `FIFO_in`.
  - 0x1C :
    - `reset_in` : Write only bit to clear the `FIFO_in`.
    - `reset_out` : Write only bit to clear the `FIFO_out`.

The value to put in the `UART_wait_cycles` registers depend on the desired UART baud rate, and is computed with the following formula.

$$\begin{aligned} wait\_cycles &= \frac{time\_per\_bit}{time\_per\_cycles} \\ &= \frac{1}{\frac{baud\_rate}{clk\_period}} \\ &= \frac{clk\_freq}{baud\_rate} \end{aligned}$$

For 4800 bits/s of baud rate we have.

$$\begin{aligned} wait\_cycles &= \frac{clk\_freq}{baud\_rate} \\ &= \frac{50 \cdot 10^6}{4800} = 10416.667 \quad clk\_cycles \end{aligned}$$

The rounding doesn't matter.

Table 2: `UART_wait_cycles` values for a given UART.

| UART_Rate      | wait_cycles value (decimal) |
|----------------|-----------------------------|
| 4800 bits/s    | 10416 clk_cycles            |
| 9600 bits/s    | 5207 clk_cycles             |
| 19200 bits/s   | 2604 clk_cycles             |
| 38400 bits/s   | 1302 clk_cycles             |
| 57600 bits/s   | 868 clk_cycles              |
| 115200 bits/s  | 434 clk_cycles              |
| 230400 bits/s  | 217 clk_cycles              |
| 460800 bits/s  | 109 clk_cycles              |
| 921600 bits/s  | 54 clk_cycles               |
| 1382400 bits/s | 36 clk_cycles               |

When using autoconnect, the device will simply boot with the last configuration used. When using AT command mode, the CPU will have to initiate itself the connection, and can change modes or settings.

The ports of the Registers component are described on figure 5 below.

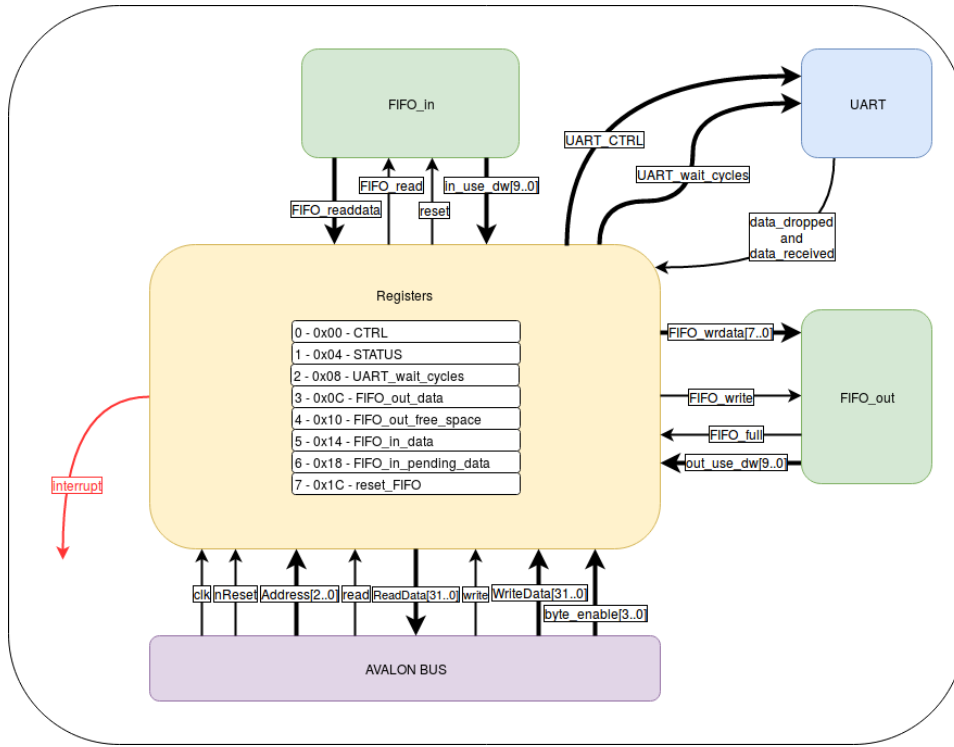


Figure 5: Ports description of the Registers component.

### 3.2 FIFO\_out

For the FIFO\_out we will use the FIFO available in the IP catalogue of Quartus with the following configurations :

- Width = 8 bits,
- Depth = 1024 (biggest size with only one M10k element),
- control signals :
  - use\_dw[] (10 bits),
  - empty,
  - asynchronous clear;
- Show ahead FIFO mode,
- Auto memory block type,

- No optimisation or circuitry protection.

The ports of the `FIFO_out` component are described on figure 6.

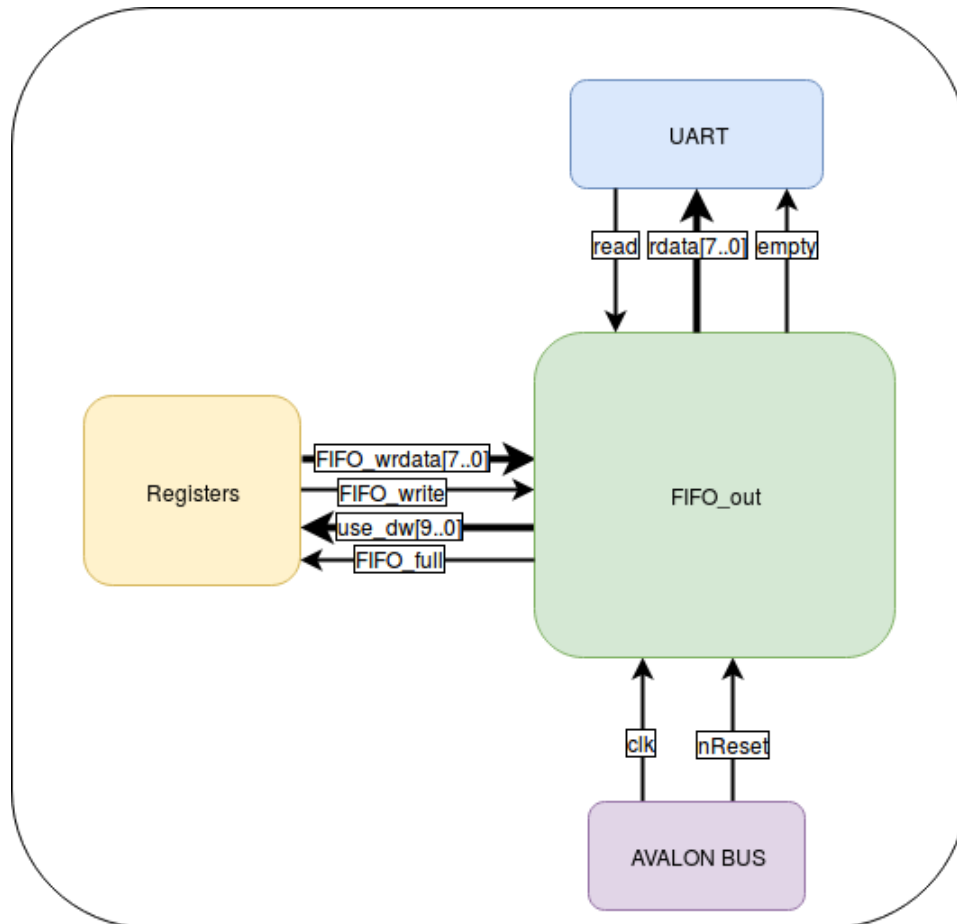


Figure 6: Ports description of the `FIFO_out` component.

### 3.3 FIFO\_in

For the `FIFO_in` we will also use the FIFO available in the IP catalogue of Quartus with almost the same configurations :

- Width = 8 bits,
- Depth = 1024 (biggest size with only one M10k element),
- control signals :
  - `use_dw[]` (10 bits),
  - `full`,
  - asynchronous clear;
- Normal synchronous FIFO mode,
- Auto memory block type,
- No optimisation or circuitry protection.

The ports of the `FIFO_in` component are described on figure 7.

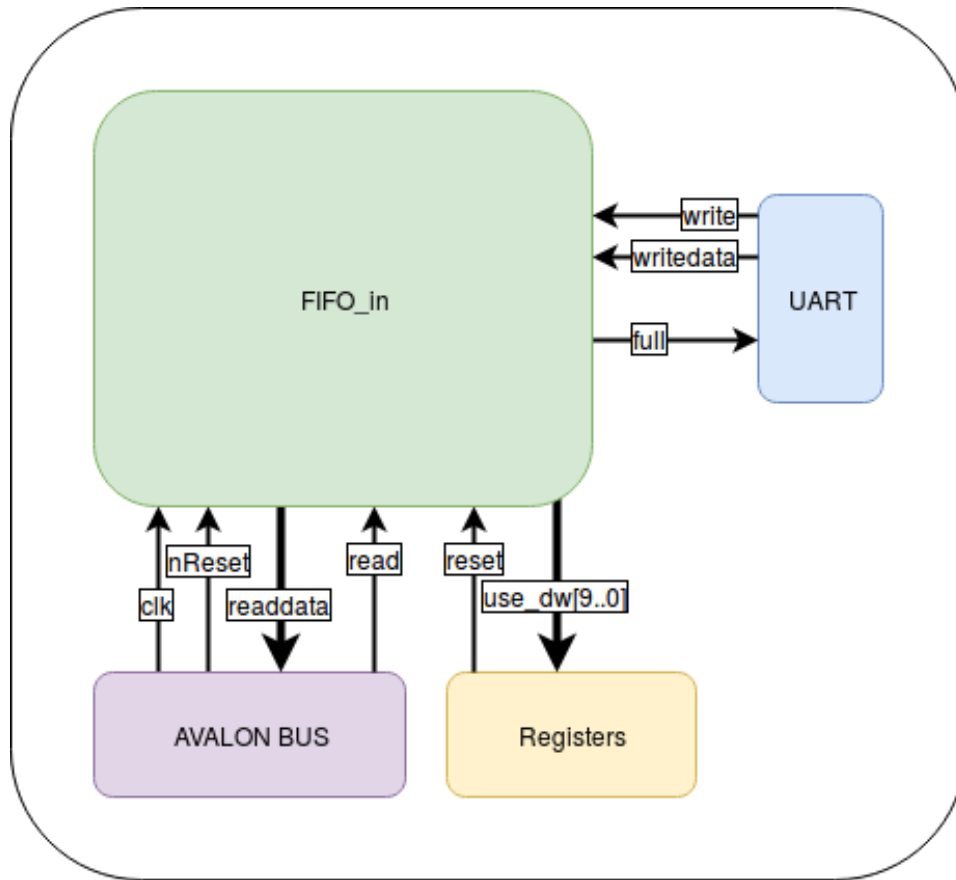


Figure 7: Ports description of the `FIFO_in` component.

### 3.4 UART

The UART will be the part communicating with the HC05 module. It will send whenever it can while the `FIFO_out` isn't empty, and whenever it receives information, it will recompose the words, perform the parity check (if set) and send the correct words to the `FIFO_in`.

The ports of the UART component are described on figure 8.

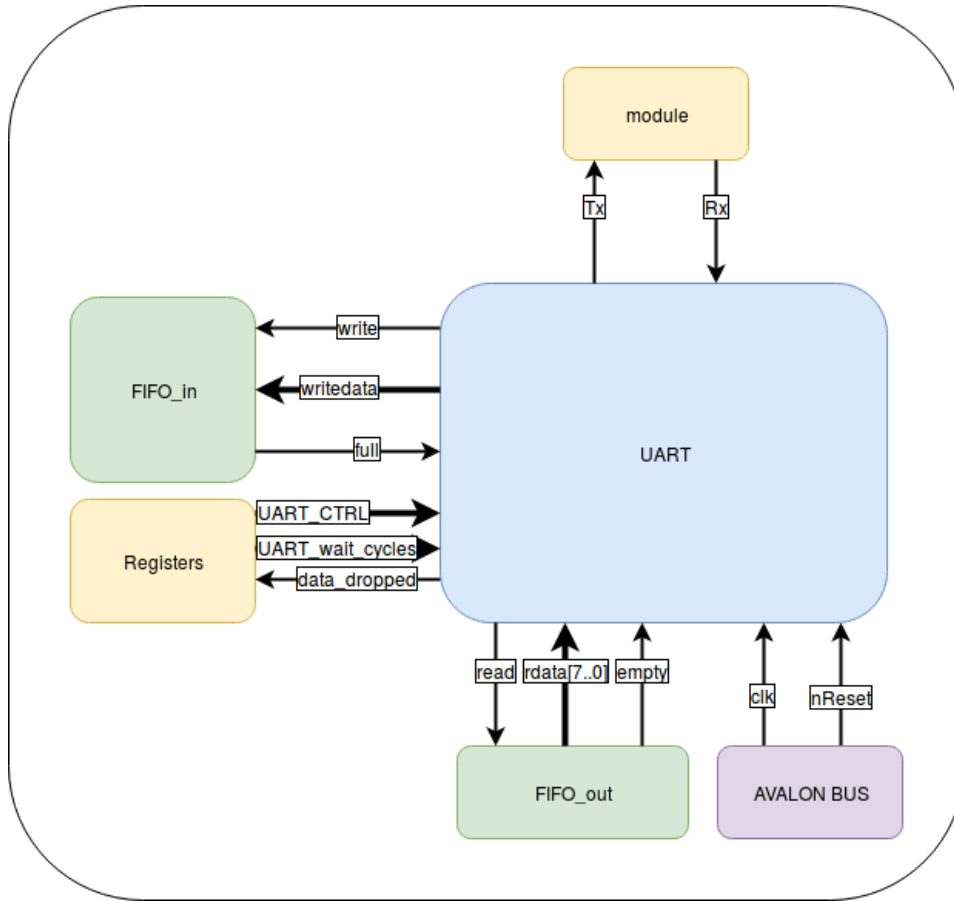


Figure 8: Ports description of the UART component.

## 4 Pinout

The external connectivity of the device is described on table 3.

Table 3: Pinout table of the device.

| signal name | connectivity              |
|-------------|---------------------------|
| BLT_RxD     | GPIO_1 8 -- FPGA PIN_AE22 |
| BLT_TxD     | GPIO_1 6 -- FPGA PIN_AH24 |
| BLT_State   | PCA9673 via Avalon Bus    |
| BLT_EN      |                           |
| BLT_ATSel   |                           |

## 5 States Machines

This section describes the several states machines used in the extension.

### 5.1 UART

#### 5.1.1 Transmitting State Machine

The figure 9 below describe the state machine used for transmitting data. It consists of 5 states : WAITING, START, SENDING, PARITY and STOP states. It starts at the WAITING states, and wait for data to be available in the `FIFO_out`. Once data is available, it issue a read to the `FIFO_out` and go to the start states. During the start state, it outputs the '0' value, as specified in the UART protocol, and store the data from the `FIFO_out_readdata` during the first cycle in this state. Once it has waited enough, it goes to sending. During sending state, it will send bit after bit, every time waiting the good amount of time. Oncei all the 8 bit of data are sent, it will either go to STOP if the parity is disabled (`parity_bit = "00"`) or to PARITY if it is enable. In the PARITY state, it will output the parity value (odd or even) for the right amount of time, and then go to the STOP state. In the STOP state, it will output 1 or 2 bit at '1', depending on the settings of the `stop_bit`, and then go to the WAITING state, ready to transfer again.



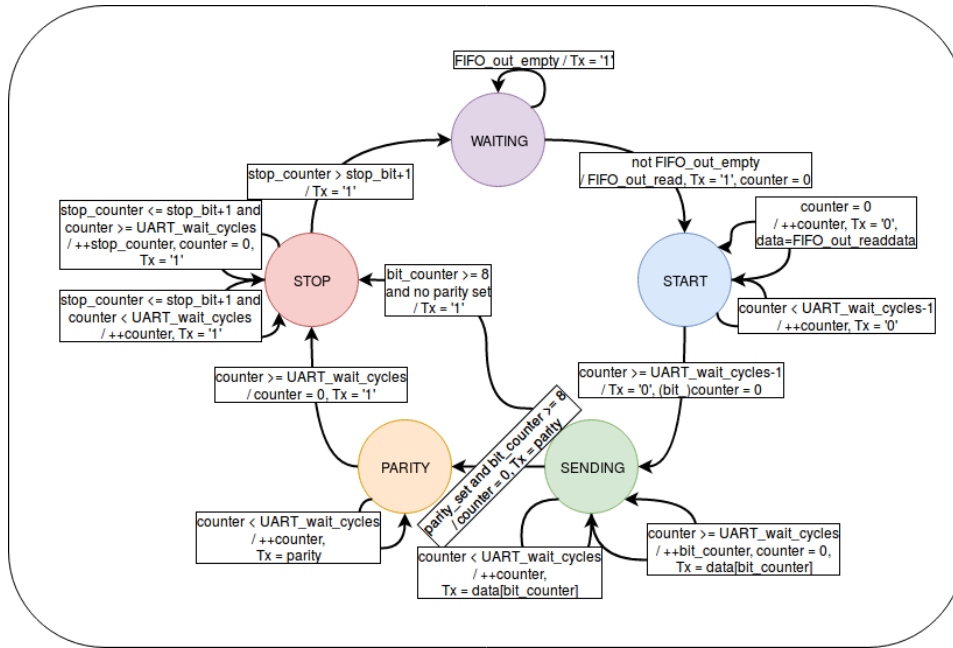


Figure 9: State machine used for sending one word (8 bits) to the HC05.

### 5.1.2 Receiving State Machine

The figure 10 below describe the state machine used for receiving data. It has 4 states : WAITING, START, RECEIVING and PARITY. It starts at the WAITING states, and wait until the BLT\_Tx is '0' (start bit). Then we wait for half the cycles to wait in the START state in order to capture each bit in correctly and not just when they are supposed to go up (in order to avoid wrong bits), continuously checking that the start bit is still on (BLT\_Tx = '0'). Then we go to the RECEIVING state, where we wait for a full wait before capturing each bit. There is a transition back to the WAITING state with a big condition, it is to catch an error in the start bit during the first half of the first wait round. Once we received all the bits, we either go to the parity check in the PARITY state if enable or directly to the WAITING state and writing the data to the FIFO\_in if it is not full. If we go to the PARITY state, we check if the parity of the data we received is correct, and if it is we write it to the FIFO\_in if it is not full, and else we discard it. Then we go back to WAITING.

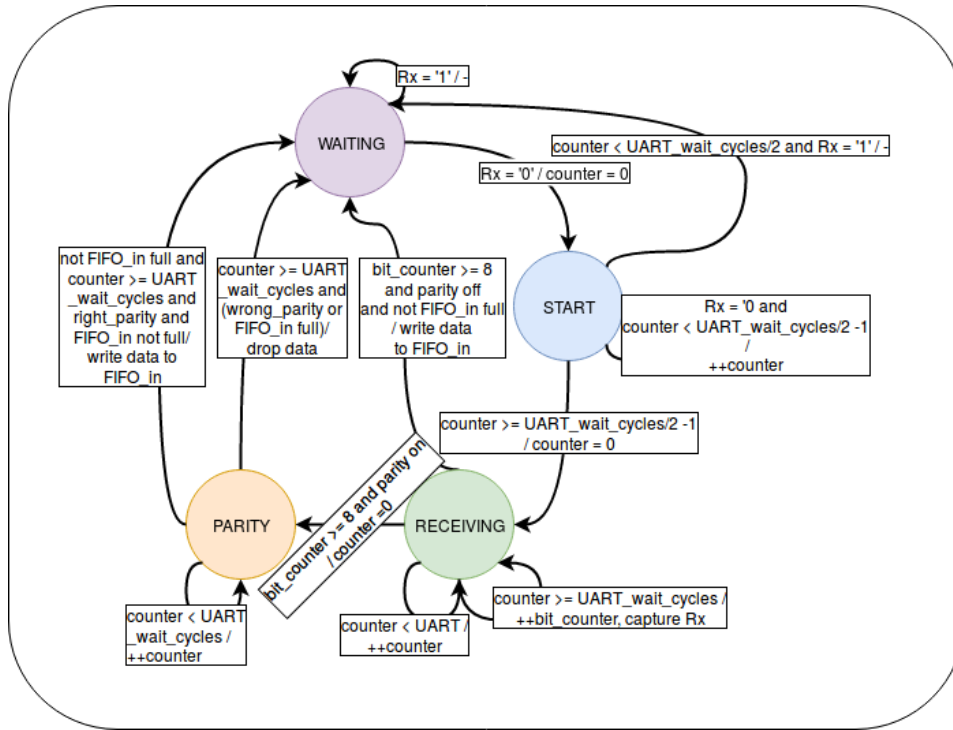


Figure 10: State machine used for receiving one word (8 bits) from the HC05.

## 6 Power consumption

The HC05 device has a different power consumption depending on its mode and if it is transmitting or receiving data. The values have been measured with a constant 5V input for all the baud rates and it appears that it has no effect on the power consumption. The results can be found on the table 4 below.

Table 4: Power consumption of the HC05 device

| Mode                     | I(mA) | P(mW)   | Notes                            |
|--------------------------|-------|---------|----------------------------------|
| Not enable               | 5     | 20      |                                  |
| AT command mode          | 15    | 65      | Receiving or not has no impact   |
| Slave mode not connected | 40    | 200     |                                  |
| Slave mode connected     | 20    | 100     | Spikes at 60mA/300mW every 130ms |
| Receiving data           | 60-80 | 300-400 | Not constant, spikes every 0.5ms |
| Transmitting data        | 60-80 | 300-400 |                                  |

## 7 Bluetooth transfer rate

The data transfer rate between the HC05 and another bluetooth device have been measured. The baud rate has a significant impact on it, especially at low rates. The results are presented below on table 5 and figure 11.

The data throughput is increasing with the baud rate and seems to top at around 160kb per seconds at 921600 bits per seconds of baud rate. The the average packet size is also increasing with the baud rate.

Table 5: Throughput between the HC05 and another bluetooth device

| Baud rate | Throughput(b/s) | Packet size (b) |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 4800      | 3800            | 35              |
| 9600      | 8550            | 70              |
| 19200     | 15100           | 130             |
| 38400     | 33000           | 250             |
| 57600     | 41300           | 250             |
| 115200    | 91500           | 350             |
| 230400    | 130000          | 650             |
| 460800    | 140000          | 650             |
| 921600    | 168500          | 730             |
| 1382400   | 165000          | 890             |

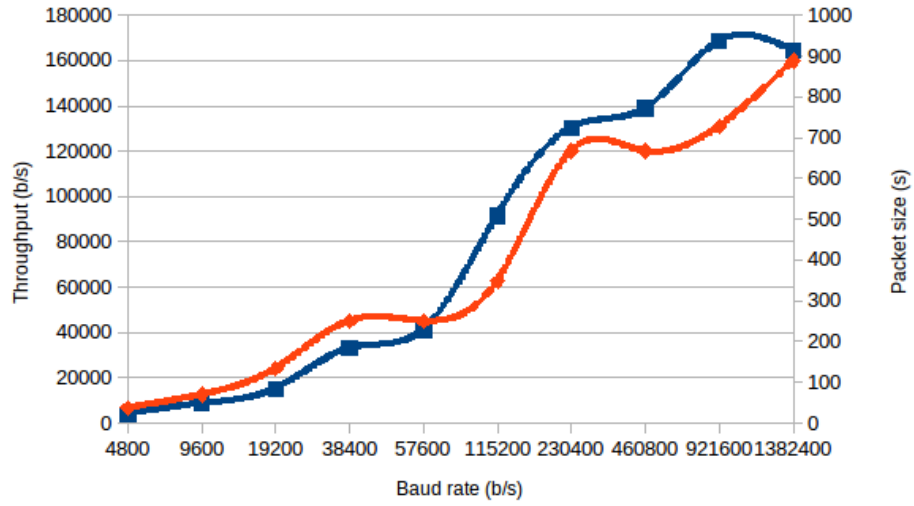


Figure 11: Throughput of the HC05 depending on the Baud rates.

## 8 Bluetooth protocol

The HC05 uses the L2CAP bluetooth protocol to transmit data over a bluetooth connection. This protocol supports segmentation and reassembly of packets, with a max packet payload of 64 kB. It also supports flow control and retransmission of packets. In theory, this protocol could also be used to do group-oriented communication, with different communication channels possible, but it is not used by the HC05.

## A AT Command Set

### HC-03/05 Embedded Bluetooth Serial Communication Module

#### AT command set

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HC-05 embedded Bluetooth serial communication module (can be short for module) has two work modes: order-response work mode and automatic connection work mode. And there are three work roles (Master, Slave and Loopback) at the automatic connection work mode. When the module is at the automatic connection work mode, it will follow the default way set lastly to transmit the data automatically. When the module is at the order-response work mode, user can send the AT command to the module to set the control parameters and sent control order. The work mode of module can be switched by controlling the module PIN (PIO11) input level.

Serial module PINs:

1. PIO8 connects with LED. When the module is power on, LED will flicker. And the flicker style will indicate which work mode is in using since different mode has different flicker time interval.
2. PIO9 connects with LED. It indicates whether the connection is built or not. When the Bluetooth serial is paired, the LED will be turned on. It means the connection is built successfully.
3. PIO11 is the work mode switch. When this PIN port is input high level, the work mode will become order-response work mode. While this PIN port is input low level or suspended in air, the work mode will become automatic connection work mode.
4. The module can be reset if it is re-powered since there is a reset circuit at the module.

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#### **1. How to get to the AT mode.**

Way 1:

Step 1: Input low level to PIN34. Step 2: Supply power to the module. Step 3: Input high level to the PIN34. Then the module will enter to AT mode. The baud rate is as

same as the communication time, such as 9600 etc.

Way 2: Step 1: Connect PIN34 to the power supply PIN. Step 2: Supply power to module (the PIN34 is also supplied with high level since the PIN34 is connected with power supply PIN). Then the module will enter to AT module. But at this time, the baud rate is 38400. In this way, user should change the baud rate at the AT mode, if they forget the communication baud rate.

How to get to the communication mode: Step 1: Input low level to PIN34. Step 2: Supply power to the module. Then the module will enter to communication mode. It can be used for pairing.

## **2. How to set this module be the master role.**

Step 1: Input high level to PIO11.

Step 2: Supply power to the module. And the module will enter to the order-response work mode.

Step 3: Set the parameters of the super terminal or the other serial tools (baud rate: 38400, data bit:8, stop bit:1, no parity bit, no Flow Control)

Step 4: Sent the characters “AT+ROLE=1\r\n” through serial, then receive the characters “OK\r\n”. Here, “\r\n” is the CRLF.

Step 5: Input low level to PIO, and supply power to the module again. Then this module will become master role and search the other module (slave role) automatically to build the connection.

## **3. Notes.**

(1) HC-03 and HC-05's command should end up with “\r\n”. It means when you finish programming, you should add terminator (“ENTER” or “0x0d 0x0a”) to the program. It's different from HC-04 and HC-06 (They don't need terminator).

(2) The most common commands for HC-03 and HC-05 are: AT+ROLE (set master –slave), AT+CMODE( set address pairing) , AT+PSWD (set password).

If you want the master module has the function of remembering slave module, the most

simply way is: First, set AT+CMODE=1. Make the master module pair with the slave module. Second, set AT+CMODE=0. Then the master module just can make pair with that specified slave module.

(3) When PIN34 keeps high level, all commands can be used. Otherwise, only some of them can be used.

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## Detailed description of Command

(AT command is case- sensitive, should end up with terminator (“enter” or “\r\n”).)

### 1. Test

| Command | Response | Parameter |
|---------|----------|-----------|
| AT      | OK       | None      |

### 2. Reset

| Command  | Response | Parameter |
|----------|----------|-----------|
| AT+RESET | OK       | None      |

### 3. Get the soft version

| Command     | Response                | Parameter             |
|-------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| AT+VERSION? | +VERSION: <Param><br>OK | Param: Version number |

#### Example :

at+version?\r\n

+VERSION:2.0-20100601

OK

### 4. Restore default status

| Command | Response | Parameter |
|---------|----------|-----------|
| AT+ORGL | OK       | None      |

The parameter of default status:

- ①. Device type: 0
- ②. Inquire code: 0x009e8b33
- ③. Module work mode: Slave Mode
- ④. Connection mode: Connect to the Bluetooth device specified
- ⑤. Serial parameter: Baud rate: 38400 bits/s; Stop bit: 1 bit; Parity bit: None.
- ⑥. Passkey: "1234"
- ⑦. Device name: "H-C-2010-06-01"

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#### 5. Get module Bluetooth address

| Command  | Response             | Parameter                |
|----------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| AT+ADDR? | +ADDR: <Param><br>OK | Param: Bluetooth address |

Bluetooth address will show as this way: NAP: UAP: LAP(Hexadecimal)

#### Example:

Module Bluetooth address: 12: 34: 56: ab: cd: ef

at+addr?\r\n

+ADDR:1234:56:abcdef

OK

#### 6. Set/ inquire device's name

| Command         | Response  | Parameter  |
|-----------------|---|--|
| AT+NAME=<Param> | OK  | Param: Bluetooth device name<br>Default: "HC-05" |
| AT+NAME?        | 1. +NAME:<Param><br>OK---success<br>2. FAIL---failure |  |

#### Example:

AT+NAME=HC-05\r\n

---set the module device name: "HC-05"

OK

AT+NAME= "HC-05"\r\n

---set the module device name: "HC-05"



OK

at+name=Beijin\r\n

---set the module device name: "Beijin"

OK

at+name="Beijin"\r\n

---set module device name : "Beijin"

OK

at+name?\r\n

+NAME: Bei jin

OK

### 7. Get the remote Bluetooth device's name

| Command           | Response   | Parameter  |
|-------------------|--|--|
| AT+RNAME?<Param1> | 1. +NAME:<Param2><br>OK----success<br>2. FAIL----failure | Param1: Remote Bluetooth<br>device address<br>Param2: Remote Bluetooth<br>device address |

Bluetooth address will show as this way: NAP:UAP:LAP (Hexadecimal)

#### Example:

Bluetooth device address: 00:02:72: od: 22 : 24; device name: Bluetooth

at+rname? 0002,72,od2224\r\n

+RNAME:Bluetooth

OK

### 8. Set/ inquire module role

| Command         | Response            | Parameter  |
|-----------------|---------------------|--|
| AT+ROLE=<Param> | OK                  | Param:   |
| AT+ROLE?        | +ROLE:<Param><br>OK | 0---- Slave role<br>1---- Master role<br>2---- Slave-Loop role<br>Default: 0 |

Role introduction:

Slave (slave role)---Passive connection;

Slave-Loop---Passive connection, receive the remote Bluetooth master device data and send it back to the master device;

Master (master role)---Inquire the near SPP Bluetooth slave device, build connection with it positively, and build up the transparent data transmission between master and slave device.

### 9. Set/inquire device type

| Command          | Response  | Parameter  |
|------------------|---|--|
| AT+CLASS=<Param> | OK  | Param: device type   |
| AT+ CLASS?       | 1. + CLASS:<Param><br>OK----success<br>2. FAIL----failure | Bluetooth device type is a 32-bit parameter indicates the device type and what type can be supported.<br>Default: 0<br>More information is provided at the appendix 1(device type introduction). |

For inquiring the custom Bluetooth device from around Bluetooth devices quickly and effectively, user can set the module to be non-standard Bluetooth device type, such as 0x1f1f (Hexadecimal).

### 10. Set/ inquire-Inquire access code

| Command        | Response                               | Parameter   |
|----------------|--|---|
| AT+IAC=<Param> | 1. OK----success<br>2. FAIL----failure | Param: Inquire access code<br>Default: 9e8b33   |
| AT+ IAC?       | +IAC: <Param><br>OK                    | The more information is provided at the appendix 2(Inquire access code introduction). |

Access code is set to be GIAC type (General Inquire Access Code:0x9e8b33), and used for seeking ( or being sought by ) all the Bluetooth devices around.

For inquiring (or being inquiring by) the custom Bluetooth device from around Bluetooth devices quickly and effectively, user can set the inquire access code to be the other type number (not GIAC nor LIAC), such as 9e8b3f.

**Example:**

AT+IAC=9e8b3f\r\n

OK

AT+IAC?\r\n

+IAC: 9e8b3f

OK

**11. Set/ inquire - Inquire access mode**

| Command                               | Response                               | Parameter   |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| AT+INQM=<Param>,<br><Param2>,<Param3> | 1. OK----success<br>2. FAIL----failure | Param: Inquire access mode<br>0----inquiry_mode_standard<br>1----inquiry_mode_rssi  |
| AT+ INQM?                             | +INQM:<Param>,<Param2>,<Param3><br>OK  | Param2: the maximum of Bluetooth devices response<br>Param3:The maximum of limited inquiring time<br>The range of limited time: 1~48<br>( Corresponding time:1.28s~61.44s)<br>Default: 1, 1, 48 |

**Example:**

AT+INQM=1,9,48\r\n

----Set Inquire access mode: 1) has RSSI signal intensity indicator, 2) stop inquiring once more than 9 devices response, 3) limited time is 48\*1. 28=61.44s.

OK

AT+INQM\r\n  
+INQM:1, 9, 48  
OK

## 12. Set/Inquire- passkey

| Command         | Response               | Parameter                         |
|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| AT+PSWD=<Param> | OK                     | Param: passkey<br>Default: "1234" |
| AT+ PSWD?       | + PSWD : <Param><br>OK |                                   |

## 13.Set/ Inquire- serial parameter

| Command                           | Response                                  | Parameter  |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| AT+UART=<Param>,<Param2>,<Param3> | OK  | Param1: baud rate( bits/s)<br>The value (Decimal) should be one of the following:  |
| AT+ UART?                         | +<br>UART=<Param>,<Param2>,<Param3><br>OK | 4800<br>9600<br>19200<br>38400<br>57600<br>115200<br>23400<br>460800<br>921600<br>1382400<br>Param2:stop bit:<br>0----1 bit<br>1----2 bits<br>Param3: parity bit |

|  |  |   |
|--|--|---|
|  |  | 0----None<br>1----Odd parity<br>2----Even parity<br>Default: 9600, 0, 0 |
|--|--|---|

**Example:**

Set baud rate to be 115200, stop bit to be 2 bits, parity bit to be even parity.

AT+UART=115200,1,2,\r\n

OK

AT+UART?

+UART:115200,1,2

OK

**14. Set/ Inquire - connection mode**

| Command          | Response              | Parameter  |
|------------------|-----------------------|--|
| AT+CMODE=<Param> | OK                    | Param:   |
| AT+ CMODE?       | + CMODE:<Param><br>OK | 0----connect the module to the specified Bluetooth address.<br>(Bluetooth address can be specified by the binding command)<br>1----connect the module to any address<br>(The specifying address has no effect for this mode.)<br>2----Slave-Loop<br>Default connection mode: 0 |

**15. Set/Inquire - bind Bluetooth address**

Bluetooth address will show as this way: NAP: UAP:LAP(Hexadecimal)

| Command         | Response             | Parameter  |
|-----------------|----------------------|--|
| AT+BIND=<Param> | OK                   | Param----Bluetooth address                                 |
| AT+ BIND?       | + BIND:<Param><br>OK | needed to be bind<br>Default address:<br>00:00:00:00:00:00 |

Bluetooth address will show as this way: NAP:UAP:LAP(Hexadecimal)

This command is effective only when the module wants to connect to the specified Bluetooth address.

**Example:**

The module is at connection mode which connects to specified Bluetooth address, and the specified address is 12:34:56:ab:cd:ef.

Command and the response show as follow:

AT+BIND=1234, 56, abcdef\r\n

OK

AT+BIND?\r\n

+BIND:1234:56:abcdef

OK

**16. Set/Inquire - drive indication of LED and connection status**

| Command                        | Response                            | Parameter   |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| AT+POLAR=<Param1>,<br><Param1> | OK                                  | Param1:The value is<br>0----PI08 outputs low level and turn on<br>LED   |
| AT+ BIND?                      | + POLAR=<Param1>,<br><Param1><br>OK | 1----PI08 outputs high level and turn on<br>LED<br>Param2:The value is<br>0----PI09 output low level, indicate<br>successful connection<br>1----PI09 output high level, and |

|  |  |   |
|--|--|---|
|  |  | indicate successful connection<br>Default: 1, 1 |
|--|--|---|

HC-05 Bluetooth module definition: The output of PI08 drives indication of LED work mode; the output of PI09 indicates the connection status.

**Example:**

PI08 outputs low level and turn on LED, PI09 outputs high level and indicates successful connection.

Command and response show as follow:

```

AT+POLAR=0, 1\r\n
OK
AT+POLAR=?\r\n
+POLAR=0, 1
OK

```

**17. Set PIO single port output**

| Command                  | Response | Parameter  |
|--------------------------|----------|--|
| AT+PIO=<Param1>,<Param2> | OK       | Param1: PIO port number(Decimal)<br>Param2: PIO port status<br>0----low level<br>1----high level |

HC-05 Bluetooth module provides the user with the ports (PI00~PI07 and PI010) which can extern another input and output ports.

**Example:**

1. PI010 port outputs high level

```

AT+PIO=10, 1\r\n
OK

```

2. PI010 port output low level

```

AT+PIO=10, 0\r\n
OK

```

### 18. Set PIO multiple port output

| Command         | Response | Parameter   |
|-----------------|----------|---|
| AT+MPIO=<Param> | OK       | Param: Mask combination of PIO ports number (Decimal) |

HC-05 Bluetooth module provides the ports (PI00~PI07 and PI010) which can extern another input and output ports to the user.

(1) Mask of PIO port number = (1<<port number)

(2) Mask combination of PIO ports number= (PIO port number mask 1|PIO port number mask 2|.....)

#### Example :

PI02 port number mask=(1<<2) =0x004

PI010 port number mask =(1<<10)=0x400

Mask combination of PI02 and PI010 port number=(0x004|0x400)=0x404

#### Example:

1. PI010 and PI02 ports output high level

AT+MPIO=404\r\n

OK

2. PI04 port output high level

AT+PIO=004\r\n

OK

3. PI010 port output high level

AT+PIO=400\r\n

OK

4. All ports output low level

AT+MPIO=0\r\n



OK

#### 19. Inquire PIO port input

| Command  | Response             | Parameter   |
|----------|----------------------|---|
| AT+MPIO? | +MPIO: <Param><br>OK | Param---PIO port value (16bits)<br>Param[0]=PI00<br>Param[1]=PI01<br>Param[2]=PI02<br>.....<br>Param[10]=PI010<br>Param[11]=PI011 |

HC-05 Bluetooth module provides the user with the ports (PI00~PI07 and PI010) which can extern another input and output ports.

#### 20. Set/ Inquire page scan and inquire scan parameter

| Command   | Response  | Parameter   |
|---|---|---|
| AT+IPSCAN=<Param1>,<Param2>,<Param3>,<Param4>AT+IPSCAN? | OK<br>+IPSCAN:<br><Param1>,<Param2>,<Param3>,<Param4><br>OK | Param1:time interval of inquiring<br>Param2: duration in inquiring<br>Param3: time interval of paging<br>Param4: duration in paging<br>The above parameters are decimal.<br>Default:1024,512,1024,512 |

##### Example:

```
at+ipscan=1234,500,1200,250\r\n
OK
at+ipscan?
+IPSCAN:1234,500,1200,250
```

**21. Set/ Inquire—SHIFF energy parameter**

| Command  | Response                                       | Parameter   |
|--|--|---|
| AT+SNIFF=<Param1><br>,<Param2>,<br><Param3>,<Param4> | OK   | Param1: maximum time<br>Param2: minimum time<br>Param3: test time<br>Param4: limited time |
| AT+IPSCAN?   | +SNIFF:<br><Param1>,<Param2>,<Param3>,<Param4> | The above parameters are decimal.<br>Default : 0,0,0,0                                    |

**22. Set/ Inquire safe and encryption mode**

| Command                                | Response                               | Parameter  |
|--|--|--|
| AT+SENM=<Param><br>>,<Param2>,<Param3> | 1. OK----success<br>2. FAIL----failure | Param: the value of safe mode:<br>0---sec_mode0+off<br>1---sec_mode1+non_secure<br>2---sec_mode2_service<br>3---sec_mode3_link<br>4---sec_mode_unknown |
| AT+ SENM?                              | +SENM:<Param>,<Param2>,<Param3><br>OK  | Param2: the value of encryption mode:<br>0---hci_enc_mode_off<br>1---hci_enc_mode_pt_to_pt<br>2---hci_enc_mode_pt_to_pt_and_bcast<br>Default: 0,0      |

**23. Delete authenticated device in the Bluetooth pair list**

| Command          | Response | Parameter                       |
|------------------|----------|---------------------------------|
| AT+PMSAD=<Param> | OK       | Param: Bluetooth device address |

**Example:**

Delete the device ( address: 12:34:56:ab:cd:ef ) in the blue pair list

at+rmsad=1234,56,abcdef\r\n

OK                ---- successful deletion

Or

at+rmsad=1234,56,abcdef\r\n

FAIL                ----There is no the Bluetooth device whose address is 12:34:56:ab:cd:ef  
                         in the pair list.

#### 24. Delete all authenticated devices in the pair list

| Command  | Response | Parameter |
|----------|----------|-----------|
| AT+RMAAD | OK       | None      |

##### Example:

Move all devices away from the pair list.

at+rmaad\r\n

OK

#### 25. Seek the authenticated device in the Bluetooth pair list

| Command         | Response                               | Parameter                       |
|-----------------|--|---------------------------------|
| AT+FSAD=<Param> | 1. OK----success<br>2. FAIL----failure | Param: Bluetooth device address |

##### Example:

Seek the authenticated device (address: 12:34:56:ab:cd:ef) in the pair list

at+fsad=1234,56,abcdef\r\n

OK                ----the Bluetooth device whose address is 12:34:56:ab:cd:ef is found.

at+fsad=1234,56,abcde0\r\n

FAIL                ----There is no the Bluetooth device whose address is 12:34:56:ab:cd:e0 in  
                         the pair list.

#### 26. Get the authenticated device count from the pair list

| Command | Response | Parameter |
|---------|----------|-----------|
|---------|----------|-----------|

|          |                     |                                      |
|----------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| AT+ADCN? | +ADCN:<Param><br>OK | Param: Authenticated Device<br>Count |
|----------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|

**Example:**

at+adcn?

+ADCN:0 ----There is no authenticated device in the pair list.

OK

**27. Get the Bluetooth address of Most Recently Used Authenticated Device**

| Command  | Response               | Parameter   |
|----------|------------------------|---|
| AT+MRAD? | + MRAD : <Param><br>OK | Param: the Bluetooth address of<br>Most Recently Used<br>Authenticated Device |

**Example:**

at+mrاد?

+MRAD:0:0:0 ----There is no device that has been used recently.

OK

**28. Get the work status of Bluetooth module**

| Command   | Response               | Parameter  |
|-----------|------------------------|--|
| AT+STATE? | + STATE: <Param><br>OK | Param: work status of module<br>Return value:<br>“INITIALIZED” ----initialized status<br>“READY” ---- ready status<br>“PAIRABLE” ----pairable status<br>“PAIRED” ----paired status<br>“INQUIRING” ----inquiring status<br>“CONNECTING”----connecting status<br>“CONNECTED”----connected status<br>“DISCONNECTED”----disconnected |

|  |  |                            |
|--|--|----------------------------|
|  |  | status                     |
|  |  | “NUKNOW”----unknown status |

**Example:**

```
at+state?
+STATE:INITIALIZED      ----initialized status
OK
```

**29. Initialize the SPP profile lib**

| Command | Response                               | Parameter |
|---------|--|-----------|
| AT+INIT | 1. OK----success<br>2. FAIL----failure | None      |

**30. Inquire Bluetooth device**

| Command | Response   | Parameter  |
|---------|--|--|
| AT+INQ  | +INQ: <Param1>,<Param2>,<Param3>,<br>.....<br>OK | Param1: Bluetooth address<br>Param2: device type<br>Param3: RSSI signal<br>intensity |

**Example 1:**

```
at+init\r\n      ---- Initialize the SPP profile lib( can't repeat initialization)
OK
at+iac=9e8b33\r\n  ----Inquire Bluetooth device has an access code
OK
at+class=0\r\n     ----Inquire the Bluetooth device type
at+inqm=1,9,48\r\n  ----Inquire mode: 1) has the RSSI signal intensity indication, 2)
                        stop inquiring if more than 9 Bluetooth devices response, 3)
                        limited time in inquiring is 48*1.28=61.44s.
At+inq\r\n         ----inquire the Bluetooth device around
+INQ:2:72:D2224,3E0104,FFBC
```

```
+INQ:1234:56:0,1F1F,FFC1
+INQ:1234:56:0,1F1F,FFC0
+INQ:1234:56:0,1F1F,FFC1
+INQ:2:72:D2224,3F0104,FFAD
+INQ:1234:56:0,1F1F,FFBE
+INQ:1234:56:0,1F1F,FFC2
+INQ:1234:56:0,1F1F,FFBE
+INQ:2:72:D2224,3F0104,FFBC
OK
```

**Example 2:**

```
at+iac=9e8b33\r\n ----inquire the Bluetooth device has an access code
```

```
OK
```

```
at+class=1f1f\r\n ----inquire the Bluetooth device whose device type is 0x1f1f
```

```
OK
```

```
at+inqm=1,9,48\r\n ----inquire mode: 1) has the RSSI signal intensity indication, 2) stop
inquiring if more than 9 Bluetooth devices response, 3) limited time in inquiring is
48*1.28=61.44s
```

```
At+inq\r\n ----filter and inquire the Bluetooth device around
```

```
+INQ:1234:56:0,1F1F,FFC2
+INQ:1234:56:0,1F1F,FFC1
+INQ:1234:56:0,1F1F,FFC1
+INQ:1234:56:0,1F1F,FFC1
+INQ:1234:56:0,1F1F,FFC2
+INQ:1234:56:0,1F1F,FFC1
+INQ:1234:56:0,1F1F,FFC1
+INQ:1234:56:0,1F1F,FFC0
+INQ:1234:56:0,1F1F,FFC2
OK
```

**Example 3:**

```

at+iac=9e8b3f\r\n      ---- inquire the Bluetooth device whose access code is 0x9e8b3f
OK
at+class=1f1f\r\n      ----inquire the Bluetooth device whose device type is 0x1f1f
OK
at+inqm=1,1,20\r\n      ----inquire mode: 1) Has the RSSI signal intensity indication,
                                   2) stop inquiring if more than 1 Bluetooth device response,
                                   3) limited time in inquiring is 20*1.28=25.6s
At+inq\r\n              ----filter and inquire the Bluetooth device around
+INQ:1234:56:ABCDEF,1F1F,FFC2
OK

```

**31. Cancel Bluetooth device**

| Command | Response | Parameter |
|---------|----------|-----------|
| AT+INQC | OK       | None      |

**32. Set pair**

| Command                   | Response                               | Parameter   |
|---------------------------|--|---|
| AT+PAIR=<Param1>,<Param2> | 1. OK----success<br>2. FAIL----failure | Param1: Bluetooth address of remote device<br>Param2: limited time of connection (second) |

**Example:**

Make pair with the remote Bluetooth device( address:12:34:56:ab:cd:ef), the limited time is 20s.

```

At+pai=1234,56,abcdef,20\r\n
OK

```

### 33. Connect device

| Command         | Response                               | Parameter                                 |
|-----------------|--|---|
| AT+LINK=<Param> | 1. OK----success<br>2. FAIL----failure | Param: Bluetooth address of remote device |

#### Example:

Connect with the remote Bluetooth device (address: 12:34:56:ab:cd:ef)

at+fsad=1234,56,abcdef\r\n ----To check whether the Bluetooth device (address: 12:34:56:ab:cd:ef) is in the pair list or not.

OK

at+link=1234,56,abcdef\r\n ----The Bluetooth device (address: 12:34:56:ab:cd:ef) is in the pair list. The connection can be built directly without inquiring.

OK

### 34. Disconnection

| Command | Response   | Parameter |
|---------|--|-----------|
| AT+DISC | 1.+DISC:SUCCESS----successful Disconnection<br>OK<br>2.+DISC:LINK_LOSS----lose the connection<br>OK<br>3.+DISC:NO_SLC----No SLC connection<br>OK<br>4、+DISC:TIMEOUT----disconnection timeout<br>OK<br>5、+DISC:ERROR----disconnection error<br>OK | None      |

### 35. Enter to energy mode:

| Command | Response | Parameter |
|---------|----------|-----------|
|---------|----------|-----------|



|                    |    |                                    |
|--------------------|----|------------------------------------|
| AT+ENSNIFF=<Param> | OK | Param: Bluetooth address of device |
|--------------------|----|------------------------------------|

### 36. Exit energy mode

| Command            | Response | Parameter                          |
|--------------------|----------|------------------------------------|
| AT+EXSNIFF=<Param> | OK       | Param: Bluetooth address of device |

## Appendix 1: Introduction of AT command error code

The form of error ---- ERROR:(error\_code)

| error_code(Hexadecimal) | Note   |
|-------------------------|--|
| 0                       | AT command error                                     |
| 1                       | Default result                                       |
| 2                       | PSKEY write error                                    |
| 3                       | Too long length of device name (more than 32 bytes). |
| 4                       | No device name                                       |
| 5                       | Bluetooth address: NAP is too long.                  |
| 6                       | Bluetooth address: UAP is too long.                  |
| 7                       | Bluetooth address: LAP is too long.                  |
| 8                       | No PIO number's mask                                 |
| 9                       | No PIO number  |
| A                       | No Bluetooth devices.                                |
| B                       | Too length of devices                                |
| C                       | No inquire access code                               |
| D                       | Too long length of inquire access code               |
| E                       | Invalid inquire access code                          |
| F                       | The length of passkey is 0.                          |
| 10                      | Too long length of passkey (more than 16 bytes)      |
| 11                      | Invalid module role                                  |
| 12                      | Invalid baud rate                                    |
| 13                      | Invalid stop bit                                     |
| 14                      | Invalid parity bit                                   |
| 15                      | Authentication device is not at the pair list.       |
| 16                      | SPP lib hasn't been initialized.                     |
| 17                      | SPP lib has been repeated initialization.            |
| 18                      | Invalid inquire mode                                 |
| 19                      | Too long inquire time                                |
| 1A                      | No Bluetooth address                                 |
| 1B                      | Invalid safe mode                                    |
| 1C                      | Invalid encryption mode                              |

## Appendix 2: The introduction of devices

The Class of Device/Service(CoD) is a 32 bits number that of 3 field specifies the service supported by the device. Another field specifies the minor device class, which describes the device type in more detail

The Class of Device /Service (CoD) field has a variable format. The format is indicated using the 'within the CoD'. The length of the Format Type field is variable and ends with two bits different from '11'. The version field starts at the least significant bit of the CoD and may extend upwards. In the 'format#1' of the CoD (format Type field =00), 11 bits are assigned as a bit -mask (multiple bits can be set) each bit corresponding to a high level generic category of service class. Currently 7 categories are defined. These are primarily of a 'public service' nature. The remaining 11 bits are used for indicating device type category and other device-specific characteristics. Any reserved but otherwise unassigned bits, such as in the Major Service Class field, should be to 0.

Figure 1.2: The Class of Device/Service field (format type). Please note the krder in which the octets are sent on the air and stored in memory. Bit number 0 is sent first on the air .

### 1. MAJOR SERVICE CLASSES

Bit no Major Service Class

13 Limited Discoverable Mode [Ref #1]

14 (reserved)

15 (reserved)

16 Positioning(Location identification)

17 Networking (LAN, Ad hoc, ... )

18 Rendering (Printing ,Speaker,...)

19 Capturing (Scanner, Microphone,...)

20 Object Transfer (v-Inbox, v-Folder,...)

21 Audio (Speaker, Microphone, Headset service,...)

22 Telephony (Cordless telephony, Modem, Headset service,...)

23 Information (WEB-server, WAP- server,...)

TABLE 1.2: MAJOR SERVICE CLASSES

[Ref #1 As defined in See Generic Access Profile, Bluetooth SIG]

## 2. MAJOR DEVICE CLASSES

The Major Class segment is the highest level of granularity for defining a Bluetooth Device. The main function of a device is used for determining the major Class grouping. There are 32 different possible major classes. The assignment of this Major Class field is defined in Table 1.3.

1 2 1 1 1 0 9 8 Major Device Class

0 0 0 0 0 Miscellaneous [Ref #2]

0 0 0 0 1 Computer (desktop, notebook, PDA, organizers,...)

0 0 0 1 0 Phone (cellular ,cordless ,payphone, modem,...)

0 0 0 1 1 LAN/Network Access point

0 0 1 0 0 Audio/Video (headset, speaker, stereo, video display, vcr ...)

0 0 1 0 1 Peripherals (mouse, joystick, keyboards,...)

0 0 1 1 0 Imaging (printing, scanner, camera, display,...)

1 1 1 1 1 Uncategorized, specific device code not specified

X X X X All other values reserved

TABLE 1.3: MAJOR DEVICE CLASSES

[Ref #2: Used where a more specific Major Device Class is not suited (but only as specified as in this document). Devices that do not have a major class assigned can use the all-1 code until 'classified']

## 3. THE MINOR DEVICE CLASS FIELD

The 'Minor Device Class field' (bits 7 to 2 in the CoD), are to be interpreted only in the context of the Major Device Class (but interpreted of the Service Class field). Thus the meaning of the bits may change, depending on the value of the 'Major Device Class field'. When the Minor Device Class field indicates a device class, then the

primary device class should be reported, e. g . a cellular phone that can work as a cordless handset should

#### 4. MINOR DEVICE CLASS FIELD–COMPUTER MAJOR CLASS

Minor Device Class

7 6 5 4 3 2 bit no of CoD

0 0 0 0 0 0 Uncategorized, code for device not assigned

0 0 0 0 0 1 Desktop workstation

0 0 0 0 1 0 Server-class computer

0 0 0 0 1 1 Laptop

0 0 0 1 0 0 Handheld PC/PDA(clam shell)

0 0 0 1 0 1 Palm sized PC/PDA

0 0 0 1 1 0 Wearable computer (Watch sized)

X X X X X X All other values reserved

TABLE 1.4: SUB DEVICE CLASS FIELD FOR THE' COMPUTER 'MAJOR CLASS

#### 5. MINOR DEVICE CLASS FIELD – PHONE MAJOR CLASS

Minor Device Class

7 6 5 4 3 2 bit no of CoD

0 0 0 0 0 0 Uncategorized, code for device not assigned

000001 Cellular

0 0 0 0 1 0 Cordless

0 0 0 0 1 1 Smart phone

0 0 0 1 0 0 Wired modem or voice gateway

0 0 0 1 0 1 Common ISDN Access

0 0 0 1 1 0 Sim Card Reader

X X X X X X All other values reserved

TABLE 1.5: SUB DEVICE CLASSES FOR THE'PHONE' MAJOR CLASS

#### 6. MINOR DEVICE CLASS FIELD –LAN/NETWORK ACCESS POINE MAJOR

## CLASS

### Minor Device Class

7 6 5 bit no of CoD

0 0 0 Fully available

0 0 1 1 – 17% utilized

0 1 0 1 7 - 33% utilized

0 1 1 3 3 – 50% utilized

1 0 0 5 0 – 67% utilized

1 0 1 6 7 – 83% utilized

1 1 0 8 3 – 99% utilized

1 1 1 No service available [REF #3]

XXX All other values reserved

## TABLE1.6: THE LAN/NETWORK ACCESS POINE LOAD FACTOR FIELD

[Ref #3:“Device is fully utilized and cannot accept additional connections at this time, please retry later” ]

The exact loading formula is not standardized. It is up to each LAN/Network Access Point implementation to determine what internal conditions to report as a utilization of communication requirement is that the box .As a recommendation, a client that locates multiple LAN/Network Access Points should attempt to connect to the one reporting the lowest load.

### Minor Device Class

4 3 2 bit no of CoD

0 0 0 Uncategorized (use this value if no other apply )

XXX All other values reserved

## TABLE1.7:RESERVED SUB-FIELD FOR THE LAN/NETWORK ACCESS POINE

## 7. MINOR DEVICE CLASS FIELD – AUDIO/VIDEO MAJOR CLASS

### Minor Device Class

7 6 5 4 3 2 bit no of CoD

0 0 0 0 0 0 Uncategorized, code not assigned

0 0 0 0 0 1 Device conforms to the Headset profile  
 000010 Hands-free  
 0 0 0 0 1 1 (Reserved )  
 0 0 0 1 0 0 Microphone  
 0 0 0 1 0 1 Loudspeaker  
 0 0 0 1 1 0 Headphones  
 0 0 0 1 1 1 Portable Audio  
 0 0 1 0 0 0 Car audio  
 0 0 1 0 0 1 Set-top box  
 0 0 1 0 1 0 HiFi Audio Device  
 001011 VCR  
 0 0 1 1 0 1 Camcorder  
 0 0 1 1 1 0 Video Monitor  
 0 0 1 1 1 1 Video Display and Loudspeaker  
 0 1 0 0 0 0 Video Conferencing  
 0 1 0 0 0 1 (Reserved)  
 0 1 0 0 1 0 Gaming/Toy [Ref #4]  
 X X X X X All other values reserved  
 [Ret #4: Only to be used with a Gaming/Toy device that makes audio/video capabilities available via Bluetooth]

TABLE 1.8: SUB DEVICES FOR THE 'AUDIO/VIOEO'MAJOR CLASS

#### 8. MINOR DEVICE CLASS FIELD – PERIPHERAL MAJOR CLASS

Minor Device Class  
 7 6 bit no of CoD  
 0 1 Keyboard  
 1 0 Pointing device  
 1 1 Combo keyboard /pointing device  
 X X X All other values reserved

TABLE1.9: THE PERIPHERAL MAJOR CLASS KEYBOARD/POINTING DEVICE

## FIELD

Bits 6 and 7 independently specify mouse, keyboard or combo mouse/keyboard devices.

These may be combined with the lower bits in a multifunctional device.

### Minor Device Class

5 4 3 2 bit no of CoD

0 0 0 0 Uncategorized device

0 0 0 1 Gamepd

0 0 1 1 Remote control

0 1 0 0 Sensing device

0 1 0 1 Digitizer tablet

X X X X All other values reserved

TABLE1.10: RESERVED SUB-FIELD FOR THE DEVICE TYPE

## 9. MINOR DEVICE CLASS FIELD – IMAGING MAJOR CLASS

### Minor Device Class

7 6 5 4 bit no of CoD

X X X 1 Display

X X 1 X Camera

X 1 X X Scanner

1 X X X Printer

X X X X All other values reserved

TABLE 1.11: THE TMAGING MAJOR CLASS BITS 7 TO 7

Bits 4 to 7 independently specify bi splay, camera, scanner or printer. These may be combined in a multifunctional device.

### Minor Device Class

3 2 bit no of CoD

0 0 Uncategorized, default

X X All other values reserved

TABLE 1. 12: THE IMAGING MAJOR CLASS BITS 2 AND 3

Bits 2 and 3 are reserved



### **Appendix 3: (The Inquiry Access Codes)**

The General-and Device-Specific Inquiry Access Codes (DIACs)

The Inquiry Access Code is the first level of filtering when finding Bluetooth devices.

The main purpose of defining multiple IACs is to limit the number of responses that are received when scanning devices within range.

0. 0x9E8B33 ---- General/Unlimited Inquiry Access Code(GIAC)
1. 0x9E8B00 ---- Limited Dedicated Inquiry Access Code(LIAC)
2. 0x9E8B01 ~ 0x9E8B32 RESERVED FOR FUTURE USE
3. 0x9E8B34 ~ 0x9E8B3F RESERVED FOR FUTURE USE

The Limited Inquiry Access Code(LIAC)is only intended to be used for limited time periods in scenarios where both sides have been explicitly caused to enter this state, usually by user action. For further explanation of the use of the LIAC, please refer to the Generic Access Profile.

In contrast it is allowed to be continuously scanning for the General Inquiry Access Code (GIAC)and respond whenever inquired.