

DRS23201: Tech Note

DRS23201: RS-232 interface

Overview

DRS23201 module allows to connect a RS-232 device like alarm, audio device to the Domintell system



Specifications

- Send and receive strings over RS-232 protocol.
- Supported baudrates : 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600(*), 76800, 115200(*)
- Supported data bits: 8 bits
- Supported parity: none, odd or even
- Supported stop bits: 1 bit only

Limitations

- Data format is only 8 bits
- Stop bits is only 1 bit
- Only ASCII strings are allowed as of CR (0x0D), LF (0x0A) and TAB (0x09) characters. To
 use other control characters between 0 (0x00/NUL) and 31 (0x1F/US), "extended mode"
 must be used (from firmware version 5 and higher). All characters from (and including)
 127 (0x7F/DEL) are not supported.
- Binary frames are not handled.

Wiring

- DRS23201 acts as a computer (DTE data terminal equipment) and is generally used to be connected to a third-party (DCE - data communication equipment) like a beamer, an alarm system, an audio amplifier, ...
- Pin 2 = TX signal
- Pin 3 = RX signal
- Pin 5 = Ground
- A straight cable must be used to connect the DRS23201 to the third party device.
- A cross cable (null-modem) must be used to connect the DRS23201 to a computer.

^{*} Firmware v6 is required to use these baudrates. Note that these baudrates may not work properly as baudrate error varies between 2% and 3.5% for these two baudrates!



Setup

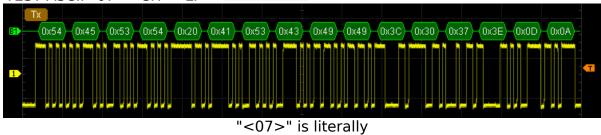


DRS23201: Tech Note

- Baud
 - Versions of GoldenGate earlier than 20.1 will display the baudrate of 57600 bps whatever the version of DRS23201 is but this baudrate is not handled! The baudrate 57600 bps is only working with the DRS23201 with a firmware version 6 or higher.
- Parity
 - Parity can be None, Odd or Even
- · Extended mode
 - Before version 5 of the firmware of the DRS23201, only ACSII characters and CR, LF and TAB control characters were allowed in input and output strings. For example : "SET VOLUME 50<CR><LF>"
 - Since version 5 of the firmware of the DRS23201, all control characters between 0 (0x00/NUL) and 31 (0x1F/US) included are also handled. To use these characters, Extended mode must be checked. To include such characters, their decimal value from ASCII table must be placed between "Less than" ('<') and "Greater than" ('>')tags and must be 2 characters wide. To add ENQ (enquiry) character (5 in decimal and 0x05 in hexadecimal) and RS (record separator) character (30 in decimal and 0x1E in hexadecimal), frame will look like: "<05>GET VOLUME<30>GET INPUT<CR><LF>"

Examples

"TEST ASCII<07><CR><LF>" ☐ Extended mode



"TEST EXTEND<07><CR><LF>" V Extended mode

