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# 1. Introduction

This test guideline is mainly used to give guidance to clients to test RF certification and regulatory performance of chips of GD32VW553 series. The certification regulations mainly refer to FCC, CE, and SRRC. Chapter 2 introduces software and hardware configuration of DUT (device under test). Chapter 3 and 4 introduce methods of testing Tx or Rx (transmitting or receiving) parameters in non-signaling mode in all certifications with RF test tool. Chapter 5 introduces methods of testing "Blocking" and "Adaptivity" parameters in signaling mode in CE certification with serial port command lines. Chapter 6 introduces frequently-asked questions and solutions. Chapter 7 is version history.



## 2. Test preparation

This chapter introduces preparation for certification tests, mainly including the building of DUT software and hardware platforms. DUT should have passed the RF calibration (That is, the RF calibration value, legal value, and other information have been correctly written into the chip Efuse).

## 2.1. Hardware configuration

Use the **GD** "**Start**" **development board** <u>*Figure 2-1. Reference connection of GD*</u> <u>**development board**</u>, mother board + module), Version 1.0 Start board use DAPLINK circuit as the communication circuit while Version 3.0 use GDLINK circuit. Below description is mainly based on Version 3.0 Start board.

- 1. UART&JLINK functions: The communication function of USB to UART and the firmware burning function of USB to JLINK are realized through the DAP chip circuit on the mother board, and PC is connected to the USB port of the mother board using a USB cable;
- 2. Serial port connection: Connect to the mother board J5.2/4 (main chip UART PIN) and J5.1/3 (GDLINK UART PIN)) using a jumper cap respectively.
- 3. JLINK connection: Connect to the mother board J4.2/4/6/8 (main chip JLINK PIN) and J4.1/3/5/7 (GDLINK JLINK PIN)) using a jumper cap respectively.
- 4. Configuration of the main chip mode:
- "BOOT0" of PIN should be at low level (boot from flash), which is realized by connecting to mother board J3.3 and J3.5.
- "PU" of PIN should be at high level, which is realized by setting the DIP switch "SW3" on the mother board to the upper position.
- 5. Module antenna switching:
- Switch the position of the resistor by welding <u>Figure 2-1. Reference connection of GD</u> <u>development board</u> to select the RF signal path of DUT: When the left side of the resistor faces upward, the RF path leads to the PCB antenna and can only be used for radiation test; when the left side of the resistor faces downward, the RF path leads to the RF (Ipex) connector and is used for conduction test and external antenna radiation test. This document mainly targets **conduction test**.
- Connect the RF test socket of DUT and the RF port of the instrument using an Ipex- to-SMA cable.
- 6. Module power supply: The DC-DC circuit on the bottom board converts the 5 V power input from the USB port into a 3V3 output, and the 3V3 output is connected to the 3V3 pad of the module with the jumper cap "J6". Disconnect this jumper cap (from external 3V3 output to J6.2) to test the power consumption of the module.





Figure 2-1. Reference connection of GD development board

### 2.2. Software configuration

Drive installation: After the development board hardware and the test system are built, connect the two ends of the USB cable to the development board and PC respectively. For GDLINK, no driver is needed for WIN10 system but a corresponding driver should be installed for WIN7 system. For DAPLINK, Firstly install the DAPLINK drive "mbedWinSerial\_16466.rar" on PC: After decompression, double-click the .exe file to start automatic installation. After installation, the serial port device and COM number *Figure 2-2. Installation of serial port driver* are displayed in the "Device Manager" on PC. It is recommended to install Windows 10/Windows 7 system on PC.



#### Figure 2-2. Installation of serial port driver



2. Firmware download: After the GDLINK drive is installed, a new diskette named "GigaDevice" *Figure 2-3. GDLINK folder* is displayed in the path of PC-"Explorer". For non-signaling test, directly "drag and drop" (or copy and paste) the test firmware named "rf\_test" to this drive letter, wait for a while to achieve firmware burning, and click **Reset** to restart the chip. For signaling test, firmware named "wifi\_signaling\_test" or "ble\_signaling\_test" is used.

#### Figure 2-3. GDLINK folder





# 3. Non-signaling test - use RF tool

This chapter introduces how to test RF Tx and Rx parameters in non-signaling mode with the GD RF test tool.

## 3.1. Introduction to the tool

*Figure 3-1. Description of tool functions* shows the interface and functions of the first opened RF test tool "**GD RF Test Tool**" provided by GD (serial port not connected and chip not initialized).

	Tool				-
General Setti					
COM COM60	,connect	Remember Chij Test Mode		2VW55x Test Normal	Step2, initialize
WiFi Test Ite			_	-BLE Test I	tam
Packet TX		step3,test set		Test TX	
		-	1		
Start		Stop		Star	
WiFi Setting				-BLE Settin	g
Channel	3	~		Channel	0 ~
Tx Rate	11AX-MCS7	· ~		Phy	1M ~
RU	None 11	AX feature 🗸			-
Preamble	Long GI	~		Length	37
		-			
Bandwidth	20MDHz	~		Payload	PRBS9 ~
Freqtunning	0	~		Tx Power	0 ~
Power Level	14.0dBm				
Add Power	0.0	~			
Counter	M	essage			
Reset		Clear		Save	🗹 Serial Log
	_	orca		bure	
TxOK					
TxErr					
RxOK					
RxErr					
71					
Thermal	C	onsole			

#### Figure 3-1. Description of tool functions



## 3.2. Test mode setting

- Serial port connection: Select the serial port number of DUT in the drop-down menu of COM on the tool interface, click Connect, and the text displayed on the button changes to Disconnect, which indicates that the serial port is successfully connected, and the Freqtunning bar displays the calibrated value. If the serial port connection fails, the log window will report the error.
- Mode setting: Select "GD32VW55X" for "Chip". Select "RF Test Normal" for "Test Mode". Select the corresponding code for "Country", like "FCC" and "CE". Click "Initialize" and the button display text will be changed to "De-initialize", which indicates entering the test mode.
- If the development board is restarted or replaced with another development board for test, repeat Steps 1 and 2. If "Disconnect" and "De-initialize" are displayed, continuously click each buttons twice to connect the serial port and initialize the chip mode again.

### 3.3. WiFi continuous packet sending test

This test item is defined as the modulated signal Tx with 100% duty, which is used to test the transmitted spectrum waveform and harmonic characteristics.

- DUT setting: Set "WiFi Test Item" to "Continuous TX" on the tool interface. Set "Channel" and "Rate". Click "Start" and the "Power Level" field of the chip will display the default power (absolute dbm), recommended power for current channel and rate to pass certification. Tx TF signal starts.
- Tx adjustment: To modify the power, first click 'Stop" to stop Tx, modify the "Add Power" value in step units of 0.25 db, and click "Start". At this moment, refer to the following formula for the expected power:

Expected power = default power ("**power level**" dbm value) + power adjustment value ("**Add Power**" db value)

3. Click "Stop" to end the test

As shown in *Figure 3-2. Continuous TX Tool setting*, set **Country** to FCC, **Channel** to 1 (2,412 MHz), **Tx Rate** to 11G 6M, and **Power Level** to the default 15 dbm, and start Continuous TX.



#### Figure 3-2. Continuous TX Tool setting

-General Setti	ng							
COM COM60	🗸 🗹 Remember	Chip	GD32	WW55x	$\sim$	Country	FCC	$\sim$
Discon	nect Test	Mode	RF T	est Normal	$\sim$	De-in	nitialia	:e
-WiFi Test Ite	em			BLE Test Item	·			
Continuous T	X	$\sim$		Test RX				$\sim$
Start	Stop			Start			Stop	
-WiFi Setting				BLE Setting				
Channel	1	$\sim$		Channel	39			$\sim$
Tx Rate	OFDM6	$\sim$		Phy	Code	ed		$\sim$
RU	None	$\sim$						
Preamble	Long GI	$\sim$		Length	37			*
Bandwidth	20MHz	$\sim$		Payload	PRBS	59		$\sim$
Freqtunning	-8	$\sim$		Tx Power	5			$\sim$
Power Level	15.0dBm							
Add Power	0.0	$\sim$						

### 3.4. WiFi single carrier transmitting test

This test item is defined as the single carrier Tx in WiFi mode, which is used to test the frequency offset and other parameters. **WiFi Test Item** needs to be set to **LO TX**, and only **Channel** needs to be set for other parts. The **Power Level** of this test item cannot be adjusted.

As shown in *Figure 3-3. LO TX Tool setting*, set **Channel** to 7 (2,442 MHz) and start **LO TX**, and the single carrier signal is displayed in the spectrometer.



Figure 3-3. LO TX Tool setting

General Setting	
COM COM60 V Remember Chip	GD32VW55x $\bigcirc$ Country Null $\checkmark$
Disconnect Test Mode	RF Test Normal $\sim$ De-initialize
WiFi Test Item	BLE Test Item
lo TX $\sim$	Test TX $\sim$
Start Stop	Start Stop
WiFi Setting	-BLE Setting
Channel 7 🗸	Channel 0 ~
Tx Rate 11AX-MCS7 V	Phy 1M ~
RU None $\lor$	
Preamble Long GI $\lor$	Length 37
Bandwidth 20MDHz $\lor$	Payload PRBS9 ~
Frequening 0 $\checkmark$	Tx Power 0
Power Level	
Add Power $_{\rm O,O}$ $_{\rm \bigtriangledown}$	

### 3.5. WiFi receiving test

This test item is used to test the received packet error rate (RX PER), receiving sensitivity, and other parameters in a **shielded room environment** without any interference.

- 1. Set "WiFi Test Item" to "Packet RX" and set "Channel" and "Bandwidth".
- 2. Click "Start" and "Reset" to reset the counter.
- 3. At this moment, the instrument has not sent any packet. Observe the numbers shown in RxOK and RxErr at the lower left corner of the user interface for a few seconds to confirm that they are always empty, which indicates that the environment is "clean", and then set the packet sending of the instrument.
- 4. After the instrument has sent packets, record the result of the counter (number of RxOK packets) on the interface, and calculate PER according to the following formula: PER = (number of packets sent by the instrument RxOK)/ number of packets sent by the instrument (11b rate PER≤8%, 11g/n rate PER≤10%, as specified in the Wi-Fi protocol).
- 5. If retesting is required, repeat Step 2-4.

It is generally recommended that the packet length and number of packets of the waveform of the Rx test instrument should be 1,024 bytes and 1000 respectively.

As shown in *Figure 3-4. Packet RX Tool setting*, it means that Channel = 1 (2,412 MHz), Packet RX test started.



0			0				
-WiFi Test Ite	em		BLE	Test Item			
Packet RX (P	ни ок)	~	Tes	t TX			$\sim$
Start		Stop		Start		Stop	
WiFi Setting			BLE	Setting -			
Channel	1	$\sim$	Char	nel	0		$\sim$
Tx Rate	11AX-M	CS7 ~	Phy		1M		$\sim$
RU	None	$\sim$					
Preamble	Long G	I v	Lenj	th :	37		*
Bandwidth	20MHz	~	Payl	.oad :	PRBS9		$\sim$
Freqtunning	0	~	Tx F	ower	0		$\sim$
Power Level	14. OdB	n					_
Add Power	0.0	~					
Counter		Message					
Reset		Clear	Save		Serial I	og	
ТхОК		<pre># wifi_reset_tr: #</pre>	жσ				
TxErr		" Test Packet RX	(PHY OK) st	arted succe	ssfully		
RxOK 927							
RxErr4							

## **3.6.** BLE continuous packet sending test

Figure 3-4 Packet RX Tool setting

This test item is defined as the modulated signal Tx with 100% duty, which is used to test the transmitted spectrum waveform and harmonic characteristics.

- 1. Set "BLETest Item" to "Test TX Infinite". Set "Channel", "Phy", "Length", and "Payload". Set "Tx Power" to recommended value (FCC is 8, others is 6). Click "Start".
- 2. TX adjustment: To modify power, click **"Stop**" to stop Tx and then modify the **"Tx Power"** value. The field represents absolute dbm, like "5" for 5 dbm.
- 3. Test result: Click "Stop" to end the test

As shown in *Figure 3-5. BLE Test TX Infinite Tool setting*, set **Country** to CE, **Channel** to 0 (2,402 MHz), **Phy** to 1M, **Payload** to "PRBS9", and **Tx Power** to 6 dbm, and start Test TX Infinite.



#### Figure 3-5. BLE Test TX Infinite Tool setting

-General Setti	ng						
COM COM60	~ 🗹	] Remember	Chip	GD3	2V\55x	Com	$_{ ext{CE}}$ $\sim$
Discon	nect	Test	: Mode	RF	Test Normal	$\sim$	Deminitialize
WiFi Test Ite	≥m				BLE Test Ite	m	
Packet TX			$\sim$		Test TX Inf:	inite	~
Start		Stop			Start		Stop
WiFi Setting					BLE Setting		
Channel	1		$\sim$		Channel	0	$\sim$
Tx Rate	OFDM6		$\sim$		Phy	111	~
RU	None		$\sim$				
Preamble	Long GI		$\sim$		Length	37	* *
Bandwidth	20MHz		$\sim$		Payload	PRBS9	$\sim$
Freqtunning	-8		$\sim$		Tx Power	6	$\sim$
Power Level	15.0dBm						
Add Power	0.0		$\sim$				

### 3.7. BLE single carrier transmitting test

This test item is defined as the BLE single carrier Tx in BLE mode, which is used to test the frequency offset and other parameters. **BLE Test Item** needs to be set to **Test TX Tone**. **Channel** and **Tx Power** can be adjusted

As shown in *Figure 3-6. BLE LO TX TOOL setting*, set **Channel** to 0 (2,402 MHz) and start test.

WiFi Test Ite	em		BLE Test Item					
Packet TX	Packet TX $\sim$			Test TX Tone $\sim$				
Start	Stop		Start	Stop				
-WiFi Setting			-BLE Setting-					
Channel	1	$\sim$	Channel	0	$\sim$			
Tx Rate	OFDM6	$\sim$	Phy	1M	$\sim$			
RU	None	$\sim$						
Preamble	Long GI	$\sim$	Length	37	*			
Bandwidth	20MHz	$\sim$	Payload	PRBS9	$\sim$			
Freqtunning	-8	$\sim$	Tx Power	0	$\sim$			
Power Level	18.0dBm							
Add Power	0.0	$\sim$						

Figure 3-6. BLE LO TX TOOL setting



## 3.8. BLE receiving test

This test item is used to test the received packet error rate (RX PER), receiving sensitivity, and other parameters in a **shielded room environment** without any interference.

- 1. Set "WiFi Test Item" to "Packet RX" and set "Channel" and "Bandwidth". Click "Start".
- 2. Set the instrument according to the above-mentioned parameters and send packets.
- 3. After the instrument ends, click "**Stop**". At this moment, the "**RXOK**" field will display the correct number of packets received.

As shown in *Figure 3-7. Description of BLE receiving test commands*, set **Channel** to 39 (2,480MHz) and **Phy** to "Coded", and start Test RX.

-WiFi Test It	em	BLE Test It	em
Packet RX (P	ні ок) — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	Test RX	$\sim$
Start	Stop	Start	Stop
-WiFi Setting		BLE Setting	
Channel	1 ~	Channel	39 ~
Tx Rate	11AX-MCS7 $\sim$	Phy	Coded 🗸
RU	None $\sim$		
Preamble	Long GI $\sim$	Length	37
Bandwidth	20MHz $\sim$	Payload	PRBS9 $\sim$
Freqtunning	0 ~	Tx Power	5 ~
Power Level	14.0dBm		
Add Power	0.0 ~		

Figure 3-7. Description of BLE receiving test commands



## 4. Non-signaling test – use serial port commands

This chapter introduces how to test RF Tx and Rx parameters in non-signaling mode with the serial port commands.

## 4.1. Serial port connection

 Open the UART tool on PC (The serial port tool "Husky Uart Tool" provided by GD is recommended), click the drop-down menu of "COM", select the corresponding COM port of DUT, and the default serial port configuration is as shown in <u>Figure 4-1. GD Serial</u> <u>Port Tool</u>:

Figure 4-1. GD Serial Port Tool

🔮 Husky UART Tool v2.0		-	×
File Edit Option Help			
REG MAC PHY RF Common Base Test Full Test Lua Test	Unconnected TimeStamp: 🗹 Lines: 2000 Font: Consolas 🗸 HexMode: 🗌	•	
	09:18:55.511 09:18:55.764 #		
COM: COM24 ~	09:18:56.077 # 09:18:56.266 # 09:18:56.266 # 4.Logs are shown here		
Open 2.Click "Open"			
Command History Clear All Up Remove			
Send Settings			
Connect Console	3. Enter serial command		 

 Click the button to connect the serial port. Press "Reset" at the side of the development board, and the serial port output box displays the log information, as shown in <u>Figure</u> <u>4-2. Serial port boot information</u>. At this moment, left-click in the serial port input box and press "Enter" on the keyboard, and the log displays "#":

#### Figure 4-2. Serial port boot information

# ALW: MBL: First print.
ALW: MBL: Boot from Image 0.
ALW: MBL: Validate Image 0 OK.
ALW: MBL: Jump to Main Image (0x0800a000).
Build date: 2024/01/08 17:08:03
This firmware is for WiFi & BLE rf test.
== RF initialization finished ===
== WiFi calibration done ===
BLE local addr: 76:BA:ED:21:00:5C, type 0x0
=== BLE Adapter enable complete ===



## 4.2. Test mode setting

- To set the RF Test Normal mode, enter the following command: rf\_mp\_mode 2
- Set the certification mode: rf\_country\_code <code>

Code=0/1/2/3/4 respectively represents Null/FCC/CE/TELEC/SRRC

An example is as shown in *Figure 4-3. RF test mode and country code setting*.

#### Figure 4-3. RF test mode and country code setting



### 4.3. WiFi continuous packet sending test

 To set the channel, enter the following command: wifi\_set\_ch <channel>

<Channel>: 20M, 1-14 (only the decimal system is supported). This may vary with different certification.

 To set Tx Rate and Add Power and start Tx, enter the following commands: wifi\_tx\_cont <rate> [add power]

<rate>: Refer to <u>Table 4-1. Correspondence between rate and index</u>. [add\_power]: -16.0 to 16.0, range = 32 db, step = 0.25 db, for power adjustment

11B Rate	Index	11G Rate	Index	11N Rate Index		11AX SU Rate	Index
1M	0x0	6M	0x4	MCS0	0x200	MCS0	0x500
2M	0x1	9M	0x5	MCS1	0x201	MCS1	0x501
5.5M	0x2	12M	0x6	MCS2	0x202	MCS2	0x502
11M	0x3	18M	0x7	MCS3	0x203	MCS3	0x503
		24M	0x8	MCS4	0x204	MCS4	0x504
		36M	0x9	MCS5 0x205		MCS5	0x505
		48M	0xa	MCS6	0x206	MCS6	0x506
		54M	0xb	MCS7	0x207	MCS7	0x507
						MCS8	0x508
						MCS9	0x509

#### Table 4-1. Correspondence between rate and index



To stop Tx when the test is completed or power adjustment is required, enter the following command. An example is shown in <u>Figure 4-4. Description of continuous Tx test</u> <u>commands</u>.

wifi\_tx\_stop

#### Figure 4-4. Description of continuous Tx test commands

### 4.4. WiFi single carrier transmitting test

- 1. To set the channel, enter the same command as that described in <u>WiFi continuous</u> <u>packet sending test</u>.
- Enter the following command to start Tx. wifi\_tx\_lo
- 3. The instrument receives the signal and obtains the required data.
- To stop Tx when the test is completed, enter the same command as that described in <u>WiFi</u> <u>continuous packet sending test</u>. An example is as shown in <u>Figure 4-5. Description of</u> <u>LO Tx test commands</u>.

#### Figure 4-5. Description of LO Tx test commands



### 4.5. WiFi receiving test

- 1. Set the channel.
- 2. Enter the following command to start the receiving test (namely clear the receiving



counter).

#### wifi\_reset\_trxc

- 3. Set the channel through the serial port and start Rx. At this moment, the instrument does not send packets. Determine whether the environment is clean through RxOK and RxErr counters. After the environment is confirmed to be clean, confirm the counters have been reset with the following command before setting the instrument to send packets, like 11G 6M, Power = -94 dbm, packet length = 1,024 bytes, number of packets = 1000. wifi\_phy\_rxc
- 4. After the instrument has sent packets, enter the command in Step 3 to obtain the number of packets received by the chip (number of RxOK and RxError packets. The reading is in hexadecimal system and needs to convert to decimal system.) and calculate the PER according to the following formula: PER = (number of packets sent by the instrument number of RxOK packets)/ number of packets sent by the instrument.
- If retesting is required, repeat Steps 2-4. An example is as shown in <u>Figure 4-6.</u>
   <u>Description of packet Rx test commands</u>. 0x3df = 991, PER = (1000 991)/1000 = 0.9%, which indicates that the test passes.

#### Figure 4-6. Description of packet Rx test commands



## 4.6. BLE continuous packet sending test

1. Set parameters according to the following command and start the BLE discontinuous packet sending test

ble\_test\_tx\_infinite<channel><data length><pkt payload><phy><tx power level>

Parameter definition is shown in Table 4-2. CMD ble test tx parameter description.

Name	Value and Meaning
channel	0X0 to 0x27 represents Channels 0-39
pkt length	0x0 to 0xFF represents 0B-255B
payload type	0X00/01/02/ represents PRBS9/F0F0/AAAA/.
payload type	0X01/02/03/04 represents 1M/2M/1Ms=8/1Ms=2
tx pow level	0x7E/7F represents min/max. 0X05 represents 5dbm/ 0xFF=-1dbm

#### Table 4-2. CMD ble\_test\_tx parameter description



- 2. The instrument starts to receive packets and demodulate.
- 3. Stop BLE Tx ble\_test\_stop

An example is as shown in *Figure 4-7. Description of commands for BLE continuous packet sending test*.

Figure 4-7. Description of commands for BLE continuous packet sending test



## 4.7. BLE single carrier transmitting test

1. This test item is defined as the BLE single carrier Tx, which is used to test the frequency offset and other parameters.

As shown in *Figure 4-8. Description of commands for BLE LO Tx test*, set **Channel** to 0 (2,402 MHz) and start test.

Figure 4-8. Description of commands for BLE LO Tx test



## 4.8. BLE receiving test

 Set parameters according to the following command and start the BLE receiving test ble\_test\_rx<channel><phy>< modulation idx>

Usage: ble\_test\_rx<channel><phy><modulation idx>

Parameter definition is shown in Table 4-3. CMD ble test rx parameter description.

Table 4-3. CMD ble_tes	_rx parameter	description
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Name	Value and Meaning		
channel	0X0 -27 represents Channels 0-39		
phy	0X00/02/03 represents 1M/2M/ 1Mcoded		



modulation idx 0X00/01 represents Standard/Stable

A specific example is as shown in Figure 4-9. Description of BLE receiving test commands.

#### Figure 4-9. Description of BLE receiving test commands





# 5. Signaling test

This chapter introduces how to test **"Blocking**" and **"Adaptivity**" parameters in **signaling mode** with the serial port commands for CE certification. For the serial port connection method, Serial port connection see <u>Serial port connection</u>.

Pay attention to the following points:

- 1. For WiFi, signaling test firmware should be programmed to DUT for connection with AP for test.
- 2. For BLE, DTM signaling test firmware should be programmed to DUT for communication with the instrument
- 3. For the above two tests, RF conductive connection is generally adopted for DUT and the instrument.

## 5.1. Preparations

In the "**Blocking**" and "**Adaptivity**" tests of WiFi, DUT is required to be connected to AP with the following serial port commands:

- Used to reset chips. Reboot
- Used to scan AP in the environment and print information of AP on the serial port tool, like SSID and encryption methods. wifi scan
- 3. Used to turn off the power-saving mechanism after connection to AP. wifi\_ps 0
- Used to connect DUT to the corresponding AP. <SSID> in the command is the SSID of the AP. [PASSWORD] is password of the AP. If encryption of the AP is open, [PASSWORD] is not required.

wifi\_connect<SSID> [PASSWORD]

- 5. Used to view connection details of DUT, like IP address of DUT. wifi\_status
- 6. Used to set the chip and start TCP TX as described in <u>Adaptivity test</u>. <ipaddr> parameter is IP address of server. <Port> parameter should be the same as the parameter of the command at server. <Interval> parameter is to set the log display interval. <length> is the size of sent packets over TCP in units of bytes. For TCP test, it is recommended to use 1460. <Time> is the data transmission time.

iperf3 -c <ipaddr> -l <length> -p <port> -i<interval> -t <time>

For "**Blocking**" test of BLE in DTM mode, the pins of the second serial port should be connected to the instrument through an external UART to USB board. The connection method of the second serial port is shown in *Figure 5-1. Connection of the second serial port of DUT*.



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Figure 5-1. Connection of the second serial port of DUT

The definition of the second serial port of DUT is listed in <u>Table 5-1. Definition of the second</u> <u>serial port of DUT</u>.

	-	-		
Pin of UART to USB board	Pin net name of DUT	Pin of DUT		
GND	GND	J9.2		
TXD	A1	J1.2		
RXD	A0	J1.1		
RTS	A2	J1.3		
CTS	A3	J1.4		

## 5.2. Blocking test

This item is one of CE certification. Certification laboratories usually use signaling tester like



#### CMW500.

For "Blocking" test of WiFi, the instrument is set to AP mode. After connecting DUT to the instrument, the instrument can control DUT to conduct RX test. Steps to set DUT is as follows:

- 1. Reset the chip by entering the command at the serial port: "reboot".
- 2. Scan AP by entering the command: "wifi\_scan".
- 3. Turn off the power-saving mechanism by entering the command: "wifi\_ps 0".
- Connect to the specified AP by entering the command: "wifi\_connect <SSID> [PASSWORD]".
- Confirm the connection status by entering the command: "wifi\_status". The connection between DUT and AP is as shown in *Figure 5-2. Connecting DUT to AP*.

Figure 5-2. Connecting DUT to AP

```
wifi scan
                            1. scan AP
# [Scanned AP list]
  _____
SSID:
           test
          7
Channel:
Security: Open
Network: Infrastructure
Rate:
           144 Mbps
           -18 dbm
RSSI:
BSSID:
           c8:3a:35:03:af:11
wifi netlink: scan finished scanned ap number: 1
# wifi_ps 0
                            2. disable power save function
wifi ps: power save disabled!
# wifi_connect test 12345678 3. connect to AP
# STA: Auth Request sent with algm 0x00 and seq 1.
STA: Auth response received with status 0.
STA: Assoc Request sent to c8:3a:35:03:af:11.
STA: Assoc Response received with status 0.
wifi netlink: indicate connect, link status is 2.
wifi netlink: connected to ap: test
WIFI MGMT: waiting for DHCP(192)...
WIFI_MGMT: waiting for DHCP(176)...
wifi netlink: Got IP 192.168.12.156
```

For "Blocking" test of BLE, the steps are as follows:

- Set the instrument with reference to the options in two red boxes in <u>Figure 5-3. Settings</u> of CMW500 DTM.
- 2. Right-click "Bluetooth Signaling" in the lower right corner, and select "On".
- 3. Click "Connection Check" in the lower left corner.
- If "LE comm test passed" is displayed in the dialog box, it means successful connection. If connection failed, check whether the serial port cable of DUT is correctly connected and settings are correct in step 1.
- 5. Click "Multi Eval." or "RX Meas." in the upper right corner to conduct transmitting or receiving test.



#### Figure 5-3. Settings of CMW500 DTM

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♦ CMW								Bluetooth	
CMW 500 V 3.8.13 - Bluetoot								Bruetoour	RESET
Connection Status EUT C Connection Status	ontrol		General Setup	U	E •			Bluetooth 1 Multi Eval.	INFO
	<b>~</b>		Operating Mode		rect Test Mode			Multi Eval.	INFO
CMVV (Master)	<b>1</b>		PHY PHY		Mbps			Bluetooth 1	SAVE
Rx Power			Phi	1	maps			RX Meas.	SETUP
			RF Setup						Jeror
1			id Setup	Rx/Tx (El	JT)			Go to	PRINT
EUT Control			Channel				5	60 10	HELP
HW Interface	USB to RS232 adapter	•	requency				2412.0 MHz		-
EUT Comm Protocol	HCI	•	Tx Level (CMW)	)			-30.00 dBm	Routing	SYS SYSTEM
Virtual COM Port	COM25	1	Input Level	_			10.00 dBm		REVER DEVICE
Baud Rate	115200	•	Auto Ranging Dirty Tx	4					
Stop Bits	1	•	Signal Charac						NEWS WIZARD
Parity	None	•	Packet Type	RF PHY Te	estRef	•	•		BLOCK VIEW
Protocol Autoreset EUT	CtsRts	•	Payload Length			37	byte(s)		VIEW VIEW
Use BR/EDR Settings	Ē		Pattern Type	PRBS9			•		TEASURE MEASURE
coo bio bio bio bio bio bio bio bio bio b	System Int	farment an			$\overline{}$				SIGNAL GEN
	4	rormation							
							2		ON OFF
		Bluetooth Signalin	ng				2	Bluetooth	RESTART STOP
Event Log								Signaling	STOP
	LE con	nm test passed					-		TASKS TASKS
			Ok						
09:49:12.985 Port closed 09:49:12.985 Stopped Tx Test				$\sim$					
09:49:12.985 CMW->EUT: Ex									
09:49:10.445 CMW->EH1: Sta	rt TX Test								
09:45:48.665 C Stopped Tx Test 09:45:48.635 CMW->EUT: End	Test								
Connection		Refresh	_						
Check 3		Devices	F	Reset EUT	Config				

## 5.3. Adaptivity test

This item is one of CE certification, which should be tested by WiFi in general. DUT needs to be connected to the AP of the certification laboratory and needs to conduct TCP TX. Test steps are as follows:

- 1. Reset the chip at DUT by entering the command at the serial port: "reboot".
- 2. Connect DUT to the specified AP by following the same steps as those in the previous section.
- 3. Enter the command at the PC server in the laboratory: iperf3 -s -p yy -i 1. "yy" represents the port parameter.
- 4. Conduct TCP TX at DUT by entering the command at the serial port: "iperf3 -c 192.168.xx.xx -l 1460 -p yy -i 1 -t 1000". "192.168.xx.xx" represents the server IP address. "yy" represents the port parameter and needs to be the same as that at the server.

DUT starts TCP TX, as shown in Figure 5-4. DUT TCP TX.



#### Figure 5-4. DUT TCP TX

16:18:36.097	Iperf3: start iperf3	client!				
16:18:36.100	# iperf3 client: Connecting to host 192.168.3.12, port 5002					
16:18:36.149	iperf3 client: [ 1]	local 192.168	.3.11	port 59712 c	onnected to 192.168.3.12 port 5002	
16:18:37.335	iperf3 client: [ ID]	Interval		Transfer	Bandwidth	
16:18:37.340	iperf3 client: [ 1]	0.00-1.00	sec	2.55 MBytes	21.4 Mbits/sec	
16:18:38.329	iperf3 client: [ 1]	1.00-2.00	sec	2.75 MBytes	23.0 Mbits/sec	
16:18:39.385	iperf3 client: [ 1]	2.00-3.00	sec	2.79 MBytes	23.3 Mbits/sec	
16:18:40.381	iperf3 client: [ 1]	3.00-4.00	sec	2.97 MBytes	25.0 Mbits/sec	
16:18:41.374	iperf3 client: [ 1]	4.00-5.01	sec	3.29 MBytes	27.4 Mbits/sec	
16:18:42.373	iperf3 client: [ 1]	5.01-6.00	sec	2.63 MBytes	22.2 Mbits/sec	
16:18:43.367	iperf3 client: [ 1]	6.00-7.00	sec	2.35 MBytes	19.7 Mbits/sec	
16:18:44.424	iperf3 client: [ 1]	7.00-8.01	sec	2.85 MBytes	23.7 Mbits/sec	
16:18:45.418	iperf3 client: [ 1]	8.01-9.00	sec	3.08 MBytes	25.9 Mbits/sec	
16:18:46.416	iperf3 client: [ 1]	9.00-10.00	sec	3.26 MBytes	27.3 Mbits/sec	
16:18:47.409	iperf3 client: [ 1]	10.00-11.00	sec	3.31 MBytes	27.9 Mbits/sec	



## 6. FAQ

- Q: For non-signaling tests, failure is displayed when the chip is initialized in the RF tool.
   A: Confirm whether the version of the firmware in DUT is the **RF test firmware "image-all-rf-test.bin**". Use Husky Tool to confirm whether the serial port communication is correct, and whether the commands such as test mode setting are valid.
- 2. Q: FCC radiated spurious emission parameter fails.

A: Confirm whether the module shielding case is properly wielded.Confirm whether the country code values of the chip Efuse complies with the certification requirements. Otherwise, the default power might have a deviation.If harmonic fails, confirm whether the RF output matching circuit of the module has been tuned.

- 3. Q: Low-frequency (< 1 Ghz) radiated spurious emission parameter fails.
  - A: Check interference from the test environment.

Check interference from PC, serial port, power supply base board, USB cable, and other sources.

- 4. Q: Adaptivity parameter fails.
  - A: Confirm whether the power-saving mode has been turned off in the chip. Adjust the attenuation added to the AP for test, which can't be too high.



# 7. Revision history

Table 7-1. Revision history is the version update history of this document.

Revision No.	Description	Date
1.0	Initial release	Nov.17 <sup>th</sup> ,2023
1.1	Modify 2.2	Mar.1 <sup>st</sup> ,2024
1.2	Add description of carrier tx	Jul.18 <sup>th</sup> ,2024



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