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Abstract	ADAM-4521, How to test the communication between RS-485 and RS-232 when using addressable mode?			
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■ **Problem Description:**

The ADAM-4521 addressable converter allows user to build up an RS-485 network with RS-232 devices by assigning each one an address for easier communication. This document explains how to configure the module into addressable mode successfully and test the communication between RS-485 and RS-232 devices.

■ **Answer:**

Steps for configure module into addressable mode

1. In Utility, make sure the below setting is correct as below picture

- Addressable setting: select "Addressable" setting
- Address: Enter a valid "device ID" in RS-485 network
- Protocol: Choose "RS-485"

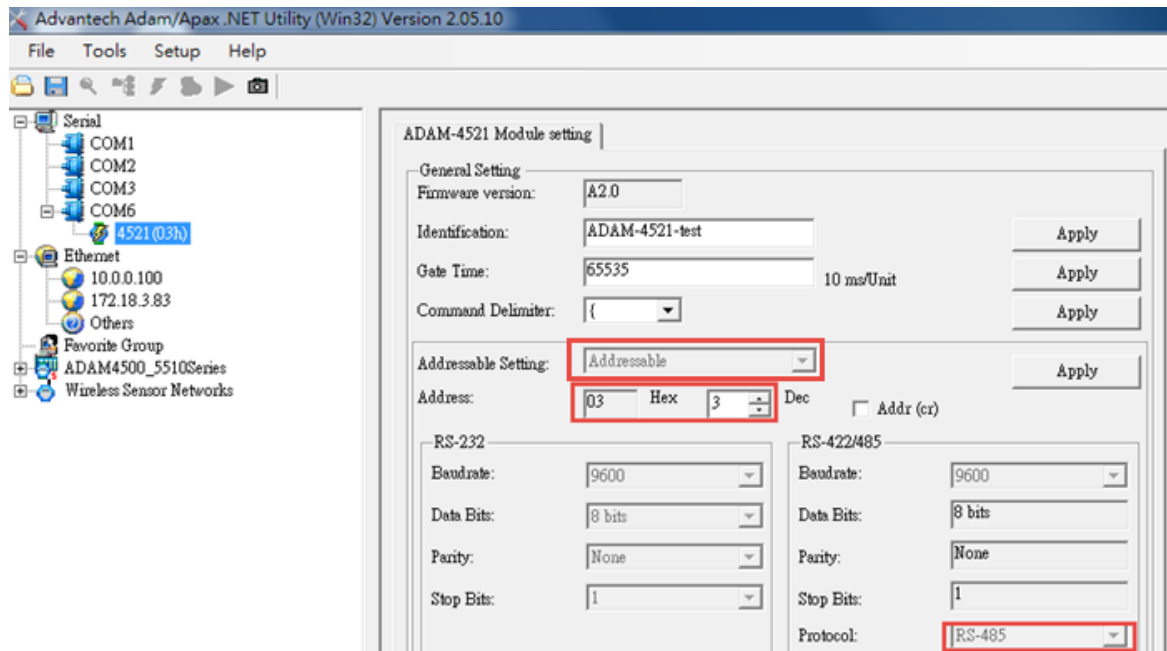


Figure 1 Utility addressable mode setting configuration page

Steps to test the address setting of the module

- Use AccessPort to request model name of ADAM-4521
- \$AA7 is the command for request model name, so enter \$037 with carriage return will get model name shown on the top part of window.

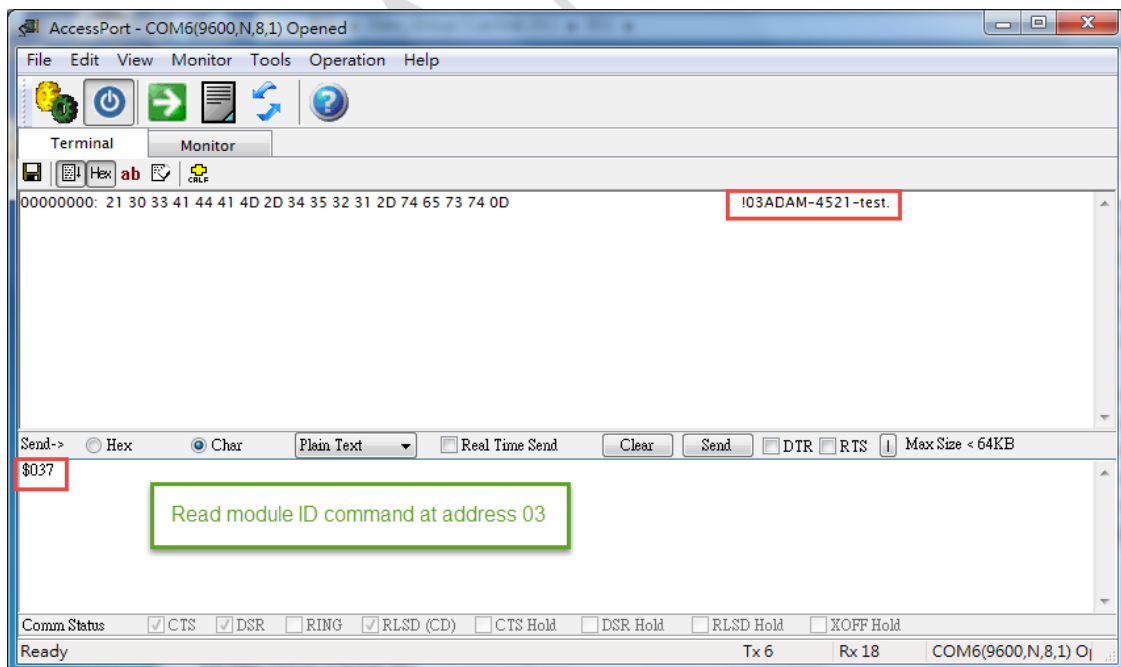


Figure 2 Use AccessPort to test the RS-485 communication with address setting

Steps to test the communication between RS485 and RS-232

- Connect ADAM-4561, ADAM-4521 in below test topology as shown in Figure 3
- Open two AccessPort for creating two COM ports, one is used as the sender, the other is used as the receiver.

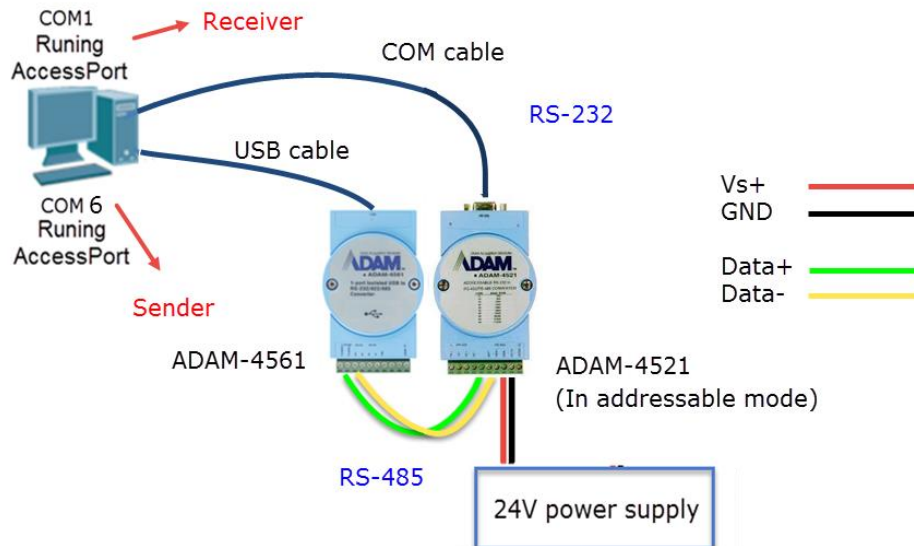


Figure 3 Test topology for the communication between RS-232 and RS-485

- Confirm with the command delimiter set in Utility, here is symbol “{” like the green box below.

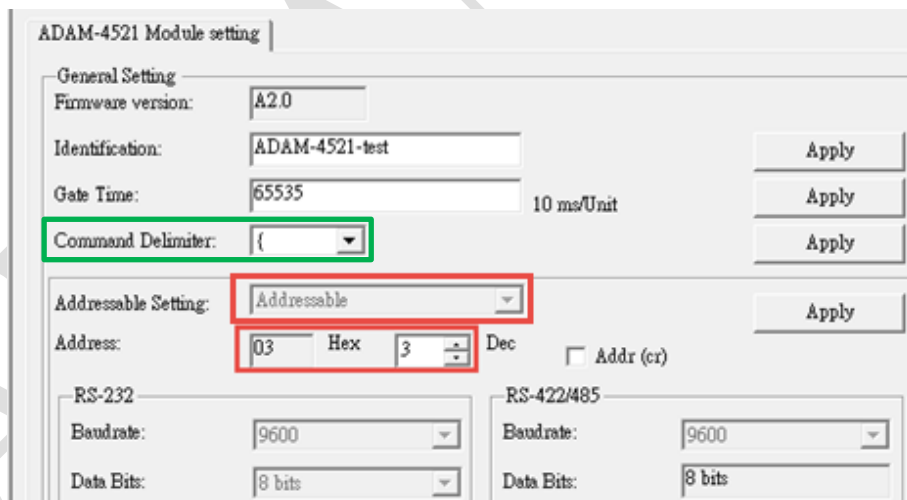


Figure 4 Command delimiter in Utility

- Command format is defined as Delimiter AA (Data) in ADAM-4521 user manual, so enter “{03\$hello” in request window in COM6 (RS-485), the response “\$hello” will show on the top part of window in COM1(RS-232)

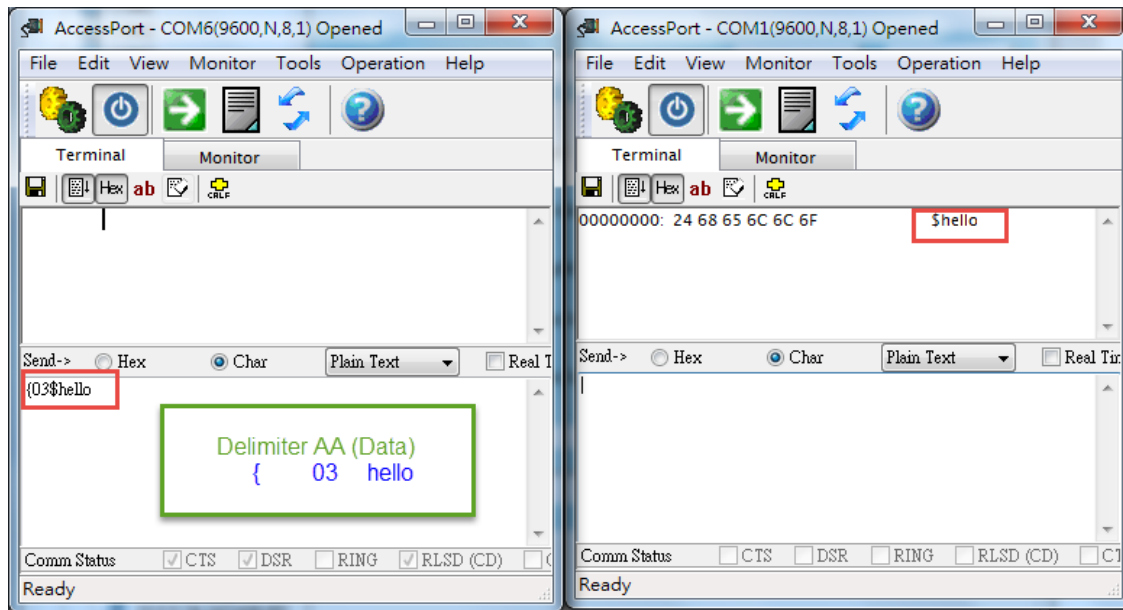


Figure 5 COM1(RS-232) receive command send from COM6 (RS-485)

■ Addressable Mode Application:

ADAM-4521 addressable mode allows users to send the command to specific address RS-232 devices. You can see several RS-232 devices without address in Fig6. With ADAM-4521 addressable mode, user could send command to device with specific address.

Cautions: The device connected by RS-232 in ADAM 4521 can't be master which means only receive the data from PC by RS-485/RS-422, but can't send the data from RS-232 to the PC side actively.

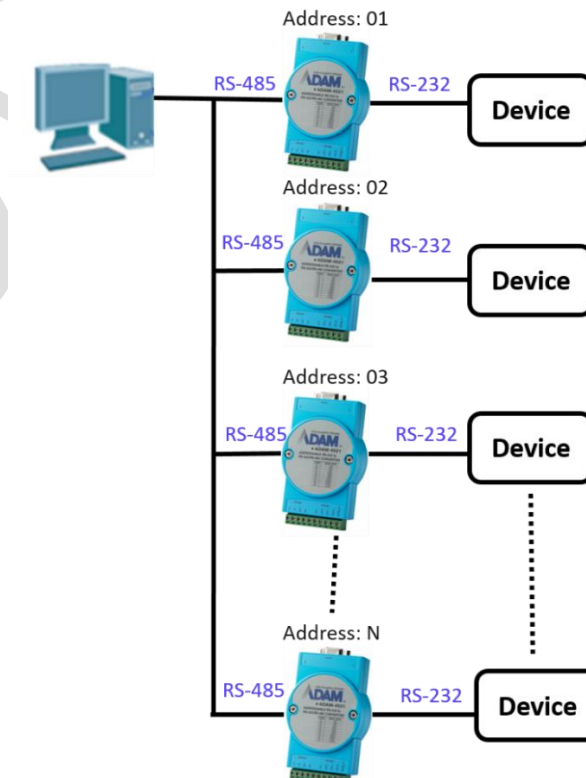


Figure 6 ADAM-4521 addressable mode application