GW-GSM-02A

IQRF GSM Gateway

Firmware v3.10

User's Guide





Description

GW-GSM-02A is an IQRF gateway for connection between IQRF and GSM networks allowing remote monitoring, data collection and control of IQRF network.

Main components are: 8b microcontroller, GSM module with antenna, serial Flash memory and IQRF transceiver module with antenna.

The gateway can communicate outside the IQRF network via GPRS. Configuration is possible via IQRF IDE.

GW-GSM-02A allows communication with IQRF IDE to configure internal TR module and simply create IQRF networks. It is fully compatible with the DPA protocol. Non-DPA applications are supported as well.

GW-GSM-02A supports exchanging data with any cloud server designed according to IQRF Cloud server specification.

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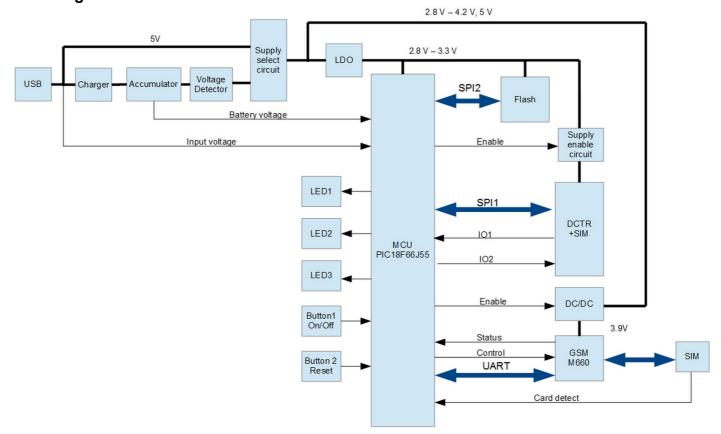
Applications

- · Remote monitoring and control
- Data acquisition / collection
- · Datalogger, IQRF Cloud supported
- Interface to building/home automation
- · Connection of more IQRF networks to single PC
- DPA as well as non-DPA applications supported

Key features

- · HTTP client for communication with IQRF Cloud server
- DHCP client for automated getting of IP address
- RTCC (real time clock/calendar)
- Firmware upgrade via IQRF IDE
- Upgrade of application in internal TR module via IQRF IDE
- DPA and IQRF IDE compatible

Block diagram





Electrical specifications (Typical values unless otherwise stated)

Power supply 4.8 V - 5.5 V DC

Accumulator LI14500-1L, 3.7V, 700 mAh, soldered

Supply current

Standby (all peripherals disabled,

accumulator fully charged) 20 µA

Operating

TR and GSM inactive 75 mA

Additional current

TR active See datasheet of TR module

GSM transmitting ~175 mA Accumulator charging 50 mA max.

Temperature range

Operational -20°C to $+60^{\circ}\text{C}$ Accumulator charging 0°C to $+45^{\circ}\text{C}$

Storage -20°C to +20°C (1 year), -20°C to +60°C (1 month)

+10°C to +25°C recommended

IQRF

Frequency bands For (DC)TR-52D: 868 MHz or 916 MHz (SW configurable)

For (DC)TR-72D: 868 MHz

RF output power According to TR module, programmable

TR module DCTR-52DA

Antenna PCB antenna built-in TR module

GSM

Frequency bands 850/900/1800/1900 MHz
Antenna External, SMA, gain 2.15 dBi

Flash memory SST25VF080B, 8 Mb, 100 000 erase/write cycles typ.

Dimensions

Without antenna 87 mm x 62 mm x 26 mm With antenna 105 mm x 62 mm x 62 mm

Weight 88 g

Absolute maximum ratings

Stresses above those values may cause permanent damage to the device. Exposure to maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

Supply voltage (VCC) 5.5 V

Storage temperature -20 °C to +60 °C

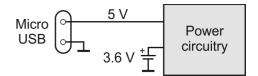


Hardware



Power supply

GW-GSM-02A is intended to be supplied by external stabilized 5 V DC connected to micro USB connector.



GSM

850MHz and 1800MHz as well as 950MHz and 1900MHz bands are used.

Pushbuttons

Both Reset and Control pushbutton functionality is fixed and can not be changed in application program.

Control

- Short press (< 1 s): No effect
- Long press (> 1 s): Switching On/Off. See Appendix 1 for startup LED indication.
- Long press (> 10 s): Restore the factory settings of the gateway. (After 10s LED stop flashing to indicate that new settings was written)

Reset

Reset button can be pressed by a pin through the hole in the case. It is intended to completely initialize the gateway.

LEDs

See Appendix 1 – LED indication.

IQRF

DCTR-52DA or DCTR-72DA wireless transceiver module is used for IQRF connectivity. Antenna is built in DCTR module.

Interferences between close GSM and IQRF frequencies can possibly result in packets losts. If this phenomena affects functionality of your gateway, to avoid simultaneous GSM / IQRF data transmissions you can separate both transmissions by an adjustable time-delay in the gateway setting. Or use remote GSM antenna instead of the standard one delivered with the gateway.



Flash memory

Log data is stored in circular buffer in Flash memory. When it is full and a subsequent write is performed, then it starts overwriting the oldest data.

There is 256 KB dedicated to IQRF RX data and 128 KB for IQRF TX data and same size for System log.

The number of records of IQRF RX/TX data depends on the parameter Packet size, which define how many payload data bytes is dedicated for every data record. For default setting (Packet size = 64 B) there is 3360 positions for IQRF RX and 1680 positions for IQRF TX. For System log there is always 6553 positions in the buffer.

The actual size of the data log is the Packet size + 14 B, where the additional 14 bytes are used for saving date, time and index of the log. In this way the user can calculate actual number of positions in the buffer.

Data volumes and recording frequency must be taken in account with respect to the Flash memory endurance.

When the Packet size is changed in the GW settings, all logs are cleared.

Case

Caution: It is not allowed to open the GW case otherwise the device may be damaged.



Operation

Start up

GW-GSM-02A is turned on by power supply connecting to USB connector or by the Control button.

Initialization

• After the start-up, the GW checks its own hardware first. If there is no critical error it starts to initialize GSM. When a critical error occurs, the execution does not continue and the error code is indicated by LEDs.

Communication

The size of payload IQRF data transmitted between the GW and the IQRF network is limited to 64 B in both directions.

GW-GSM-02A can communicate with an IQRF Cloud only. See chapter IQRF Cloud.

- All incomming IQRF data (IQRF RX) is stored and logged in internal Flash memory. The logged data is transmitted to the Cloud server always after the Cloud period elapsed. See chapters IQRF IDE GW Tool.
- Data to be sent to IQRF (IQRF TX) is stored in the Cloud server first and transferred to the GW always after the IQRF Cloud period elapsing. After downloading the data from IQRF Cloud, it is stored in GW internal Flash memory and subsequently forwarded to IQRF network.
- If the communication between the GW and the Cloud server failed, the GW indicates an error.

Using IQRF IDE

- The IQRF IDE **GW Tool** is intended for GW configuration, checking of operational and error states and for access to the datalogger. When using the GW Tool, the communication with IQRF Cloud is enabled.
- IQRF IDE can also be used similarly as for the CK-USB-04(A): uploading the code into DCTR transceiver, configuration of DCTR module inside the GW, debugging of the application, using the IQMESH Network manager etc. In this mode the communication with IQRF Cloud is disabled.
- Additionally, GW firmware can be upgraded from IQRF IDE. See chapter Firmware upgrade/Bootloader.

GW configuration



GW configuration is possible via IQRF IDE.



System log

All important events are logged. System logs can be read using IQRF IDE GW Tool.

Date and time

GW-GSM-02A contains a real time clock/calendar (RTCC). Date and time are synchronized using IQRF Cloud server.

TR module data exchange

Data between the internal TR module and the GW memory is transferred bidirectionally via SPI (using the bufferCOM memory array inside the TR module). Therefore, the application in TR must have the SPI communication activated. When using DPA, a plug-in with SPI interface must be uploaded in TR. The maximum SPI packet length is 64 B.

GW services

- HTTP client for communication with IQRF Cloud server (using the 128 b AES encryption)
- · DHCP client for automated getting of IP address from the DHCP server

GW identification

IMEI

Every device can be identified using IMEI, which is the unique identifier of the GSM chip. The IMEI can be read using the GW Tool.

ID

Another unique number (manufacturer's identification) is used to identify the gateway by IQRF IDE, the IQRF Cloud server and user applications utilizing the Cloud via API.

For GW-GSM-02A ID = 11 xx xx xx, where xx xx are unique 6 digits, assigned by the manufacturer

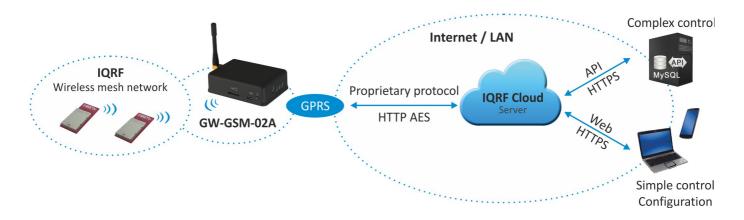


IQRF Cloud

The IQRF Cloud provides an effective way to exchange data between IQRF wireless device(s) and a user superordinary system implemented by a higher level platform (e.g. PHP, JavaScript or web interface) and connected via Internet or a LAN.

As an interface to IQRF, the GW-GSM-02A or another IQRF gateway providing Internet connectivity (Ethernet, GPRS or WiFi) is intended.

An IQRF Cloud server is available free of charge on http(s)://cloud.iqrf.org provided by CIS (Complete Internet Services, s.r.o., an IQRF contractual partner for cloud implementations). Refer to the IQRF Cloud User's Guide for details.





IQRF IDE - GW Tool

IQRF IDE 4.20 and higher is required.

Login to GW Tool

The GW Tool can be invoked from IQRF IDE menu Tools \rightarrow GW Tool.



To open the Tool, the username and the password must be entered. Default values are iqrf and iqrf.

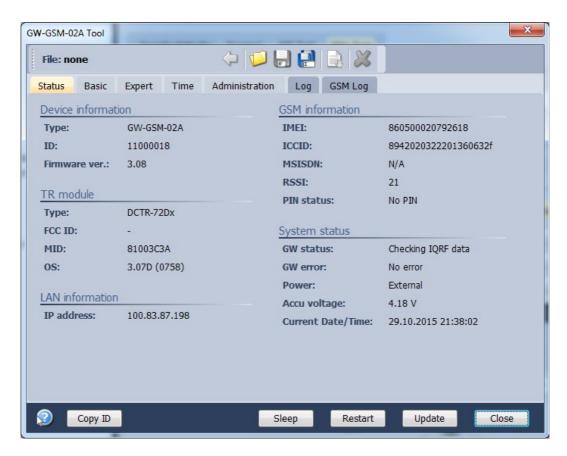
PIN code

The SIM card is locked by the PIN code. It must be specified during the first configuration. The following window will appear when PIN is not specified. It can also be invoked using the *Update* button. See below.





Status



The Status tab contains general overview about the gateway status. Several buttons are available to control the GW:

Copy ID To copy the GW ID to the clipboard

Restart To restart the gateway
 Update To update the Status tab
 Close To close the GW Tool window

Device information

Type Current GW type

ID Unique identification number of the gateway

Firmware ver. Current firmware version

TR module

Type IQRF TR module type inside the gateway

FCC ID FCC certification identification

MID Unique IQRF TR module identification number

OS IQRF OS version of the TR module

LAN information



GSM information

IMEI A unique number assigned to GSM chip inside the gateway

ICCID A unique number assigned to the SIM card

MSISDN A number uniquely identifying a subscription in a GSM network

RSSI Received GSM signal strength indicator. The values correspond to the following gains:

RSSI value	Signal strength [dBm]		
< 4	< -107		
< 10	< -93		
< 16	< -71		
< 22	< -69		
< 28	< -57		
>= 28	>= -57		
99	unknown		

· PIN status

No PIN PIN is not used by the SIM card
 Enter PIN The PIN needs to be inserted
 Used PIN The PIN is correctly set

• PIN blocked The PIN has been inserted incorrectly for the third time. When this situation occurs, the PUK must be used in another GSM device (in a cell phone for instance) to unblock the SIM card.

System status

GW status Current operation executed by the gateway:

- Initiating GSM
- · Initiating GPRS
- Reading DNS
- · Server communication
- · Checking IQRF data
- Sending IQRF data
- Reading IQRF data
- · Checking GSM
- Logging IQRF, GSM off
- GW iddle
- GW error An error during execution indication:
 - No error
 - · AT command error
 - · SIM card error
 - · SIM card blocked
 - · Waiting for PIN
 - FLASH error
 - TR SPI Error
 - · GSM init error
 - DNS error
 - · GPRS init error
 - · Cloud Server communication failed
 - · Cloud password error

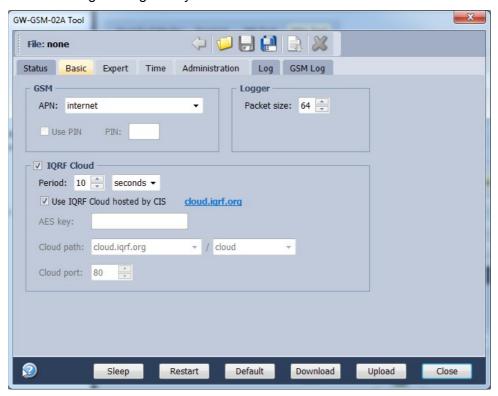
Power External / Accumulator
 Accu voltage Accumulator voltage

Current Date/Time The date and time used in the gateway



Basic

The Basic tab provides the setting of the gateway.



The following buttons are available in addition to previous ones:

Restart To restart the GW with current configuration

Default To restore the default configuration
 Download To read the configuration from GW
 Upload To store the configuration to GW

GSM

APN The user must specify the APN according used GSM provider

Logger

Packet Size

The size dedicated for the data log in the gateway memory. By default, this value is set to 64 B, the same as the maximum size of the IQRF packet. Shorter packets allow to store more data logs. Minimum packet size is 1 B. When an IQRF packet oversizes the selected packet size, a part of user data is lost.

When the packet size is changed the content of internal memory is cleared.

IQRF Cloud

 IQRF Cloud If this checkbox is not checked, the communication with IQRF Cloud is disabled and the gateway reads the data from IQRF side only.

 Period Defines how often the gateway transmits the data to IQRF Cloud server. Allowed values are from 10 s to 24 hours.

Use IQRF Cloud hosted by CIS The gateway is configured by default to communicate with IQRF Cloud server
provided by CIS. Any gateway can also communicate with another IQRF Cloud server provided
by anyone else. In such a case, the checkbox must be unchecked and the following fields must

be filled.

AES key Encryption key used for secure communication between the gateway and the IQRF Cloud server.

The same key must also be specified at the server side.

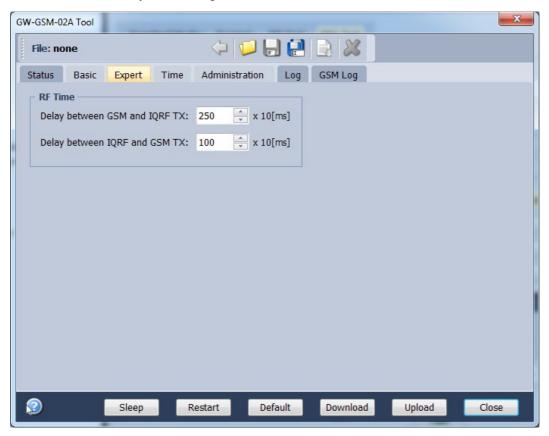
Cloud path The URL address where IQRF Cloud server is hosted. The '/cloud' substring must follow

Cloud port The TCP port used. In most cases port 80 is used.



Expert

The user does not need to modify this setting in most cases.



Delay between GSM and IQRF TX

Sometimes, in case of bad IQRF RF conditions, GSM can affect the RX IQRF data when received simultaneously during GSM transmitting. Such a problem can be fixed by increasing this delay (to separate both events in time).

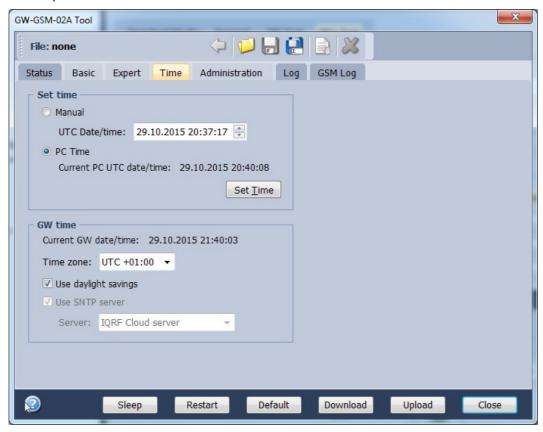
Delay between IQRF and GSM TX

When DPA used, this delay can define time ensuring that all IQRF responses are received. This ensures that some responses are uploaded to the Cloud server with the next period. This is advantageous especially when the Cloud period is set long and user wants to receive the response shortly after the DPA request was sent.



Time

GW time and date setup.



Set time

Manual To setup the time manually

PC time To upload the date and time from connected PC.

Selected time is transferred to the GW by the Set Time button.

GW time

Current GW Date/Time Date and time currently running in the GW

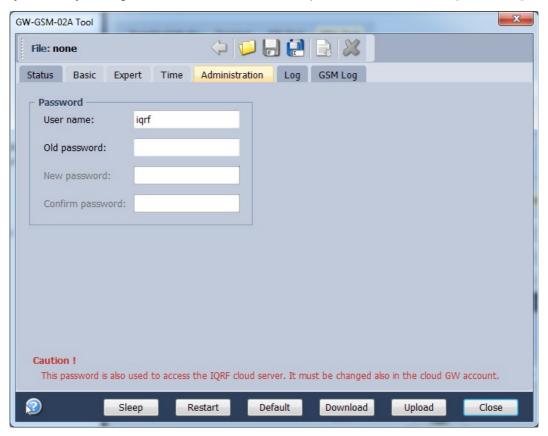
Time zone
 Time zone selection

Use daylight savings
 Daylight savings for given time zone selection



Administration

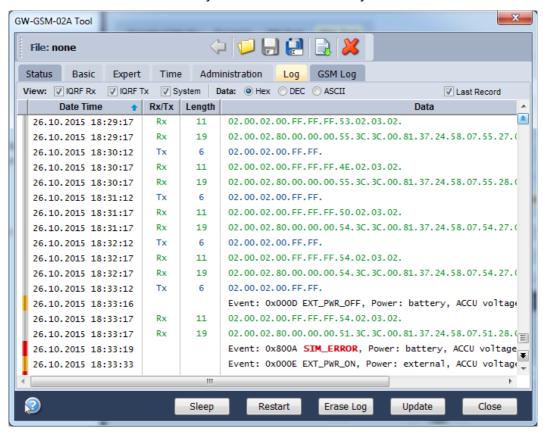
The user can change the username and the gateway password here. When the password is changed, in order to allow an access the data on the Cloud server it must be changed there too. The change of username has no effect for that. Allowed password length is from 4 to 8 characters. When the username or the password is lost, the user can reset the gateway to factory settings. The default username and password values are <code>iqrf</code> and <code>iqrf</code>.





Log

Transmitted data stored on the Cloud server stays also accessible directly in the GW buffer.



Buttons:

Restart To restart the GW

Erase Log
 Update
 To erase the content of the whole GW internal log memory
 To read the data from the GW and refresh the Log window

Close To close the GW Tool window

Three types of logs are stored in the gateway:

IQRF Rx Data received from IQRF network and transmitted to the Cloud server

IQRF Tx
 Data downloaded from Cloud server and transmitted to IQRF network

System Certain events that occurs during the execution. The user do not usually need to take care about it.

Nevertheless it can be helpful in case of nonstandard behavior.

Last Record When selected, the output list is scrolled down to display the last acquired data.

The format of IQRF RX/TX data depends on the user application in TR (e.g. DPA or any user-specific protocol). The format of system log is fixed. It contains the following information:



The following system events are logged:

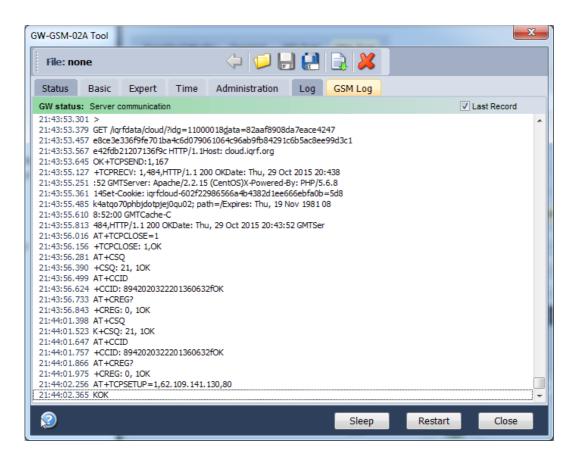
- · GW RESET
- GW_ON_BY_BUTTON
- · GW ON BY EXT POWER
- · GW ON BY TR MODULE
- GW OFF BY BUTTON
- GW OFF BY USB COMMAND
- GW_OFF_BY_LOW_ACCU
- GSM_RESET
- EXT PWR OFF
- EXT PWR ON
- · CLOUD REGISTRATION OK
- GSM LOGIN OK
- GPRS_INIT_OK
- GPRS_OK
- IQRF_SPI_OK
- ACCU OK
- IQRF_SPI_ERROR
- DNS ERROR
- CLOUD CONNECTION ERROR
- CLOUD_REGISTRATION_ERROR
- · CLOUD UPLOAD ERROR
- CLOUD DOWNLOAD ERROR
- CLOUD PWD ERROR
- AT_ERROR
- SIM_ERROR
- GSM_LOGIN_ERROR
- GSM START ERROR
- GSM RUN ERROR
- GPRS ERROR
- SIM_BLOCKED
- ACCU_LOW

The Log also contains the specifiyng information:

- Power Indicates whether the GW is powered from external power supply or internal accumulator at the moment of the event.
- ACCU voltage Indicates the voltage on the accumulator
- RSSI Indicates the GSM signal strength. See chapter IQRF IDE GW Tool, GSM information.



GSM Log



The GSM log displays the communication between the gateway and the GSM modem. Currently executed AT commands are displayed here. This may help the IQRF support to identify possible incorrect settings of the gateway etc.



Factory setup

· Summer / winter time distinguishing

Time zone

This initial setup can be restored whenever the GW is powered from external source and the control button is pressed for more than 10 s. This can be useful if it is not possible to establish communication due to wrong configuration. See *Appendix 1 – LED indication*.

Basic	
Packet SizeIQRF Cloud CommunicationUse IQRF Cloud Server hosted by CIS	64 B Enabled Enabled
 Communication period Advanced 	30 s
 Delay between GSM and IQRF TX Delay between IQRF and GSM TX 	250 [in 10 ms units] 100 [in 10 ms units]
Password	
 Authorization when enter the internal web s Username Password 	server page, IQRF Cloud server or IQRF IDE GW Tool "iqrf" "iqrf"
Time	

On

GMT + 01:00



First startup

Factory settings

GW-GSM-02A is set from the factory as follows:

User name iqrf
 Password iqrf
 APN internet
 IQRF Cloud Enabled

IQRF Cloud hosting
 By CIS (https://cloud.iqrf.org)

Communication period 30 s

Delay between GSM and IQRF TX 250 [in 10 ms units]
 Delay between IQRF and GSM TX 100 [in 10 ms units]

This setting can be used to operate the GW with IQRF Cloud without any changes in configuration. But it is strictly recommended to change the GW password to avoid illegal access to GW data.

Step by step guide

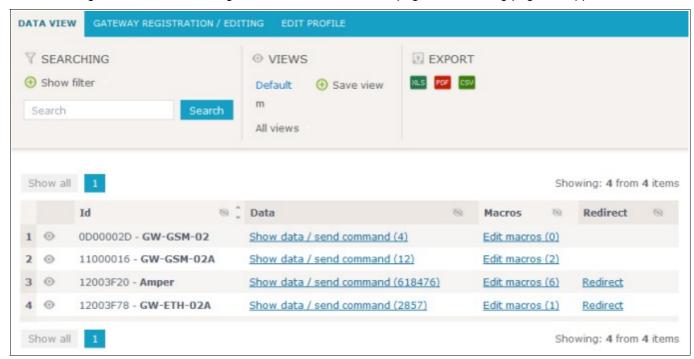
To get familiar with GW-GSM-02A functionality, the IQRF module in the GW can be used with DPA hardware profile in similar way as described in IQRF DPA Quick Start Guide:

- · Follow this Guide, chapters 1 to 5.
 - Use GW-GSM-02A instead of CK-USB-04(A)
 - GW-GSM-02A is delivered with the HWP-Coordinator-STD-SPI plug-in uploaded in internal TR module. Thus, there is no need to upload any HWP plug-in.
 - After the LED control (described in DPA Quick Start Guide) is done locally using IQRF IDE, test the same commands via IQRF Cloud:
 - Open the https://cloud.igrf.org page in web browser

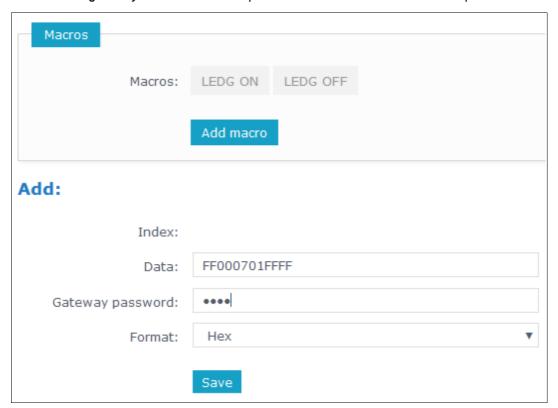




After creating a user account and login into the IQRF Cloud web page, the following page will appear:



- Add the GW to the List of gateways assigned to your account using GATEWAY REGISTRATION / EDITING menu.
 The GW ID and the password must be entered.
- Open the data page of the GW by clicking the Show data / send command.
- · Click Send command to gateway. The window with predefined LED control commands opens.



• Using the macros or by modification of commands in *IQRF Tx* field and the *Send* button you can control LEDs in individual or all nodes similarly as before (by using IQRF IDE).



Firmware upgrade / Bootloader

GW-GSM-02A has the bootloader implemented to upgrade the FW by a new version released by the IQRF manufacturer (.iqrffw file).

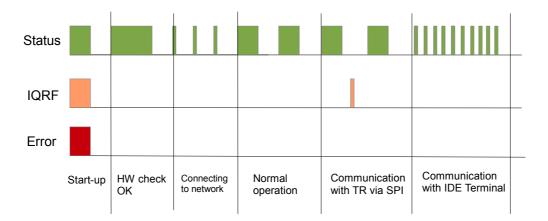
To upgrade the FW:

- Connect the GW to IQR IQRF IDE and open the Device manager in Tool option or press the F9 key
- Press the Upload FW button
- · Browse the file with the new firmware
- Press the Upload button
- · Wail until the upload is complete



Appendix 1 – LED indication

Run operation



- When the gateway is started-up all LEDs are on for 1 s.
- After the start up the gateway performs a check of its hardware. If there is no problem in HW, the green LED is on for 2 s.
- After HW check, the gateway is connecting to GSM (and to Cloud server, if enabled). This is indicated by short flashing of green LED, 100 ms on / 1 s off.
- When the GW is successfully connected the green LED flashes 500 ms on / 500ms off. The GW works in normal mode.
- When the gateway is connected to IQRF IDE Terminal, the communication with IQRF Cloud is disabled (SPI communication is forwarded to the IDE Terminal). This mode is indicated by short flashes of green LED, 100 ms on / 100 ms off.
- When the GW Tool in IQRF IDE is open, the communication with IQRF Cloud is re-enabled. The GW works in normal mode.
- When the GW communicates with TR module, orange LED flashes for 10 ms.

For turning the GW off refer to chapter Factory setting and turning the GW off below.

Startup errors

After the start-up the GW performs hardware check. If there is a critical error prohibiting basic functionality, the GW stays in error state. This is indicated by red LED permanently on.



Startup error 0

FLASH error

Indicates an error of the FLASH memory

Startup error 3

· Accu low

Indicates critically low level of the accumulator voltage. After 5 s the GW turns automatically off.



Run errors

If the gateway is at least partially operable or if an error occurs during its operation it continues the execution and indicates the run error.



During run error red LED is continuously on. Green LED flashes with the specific duty:

• Run error 1 10 ms on, 1 s off

Run error 2 100 ms on, 100 ms of

• Run error 3 500 ms on, 500 ms off

Run error 1

SIM error
 SIM card is not inserted or it is corrupted

GSM start error
 GSM modem fatal error

AT error GSM modem is not responding to AT commands

Waiting PINPIN code is not insertedPUK code must be inserted

GSM login error Connecting to GSM network not successful

GPRS error GPRS connection not successful

DNS error DNS service did not return an IP for specified URL

Connection error Connection with cloud server not successful Registration error Upload error Error when uploading data from cloud server Error when downloading data from cloud server

When the gateway indicates Run error 1, it is not able to communicate with the Cloud server due to one of previous reasons, but it is still possible to receive and save data from IQRF side. To detect the Run error 1 type, the gateway must be connected to IQRF IDE with the Status tab opened where the error type can be read.

Run error 2

IQRF SPI error
 IQRF TR module is not responding.

When the gateway signalize Run error 2, it is not able to communicate with the IQRF side, nevertheless the communication with IQRF Cloud server is not affected

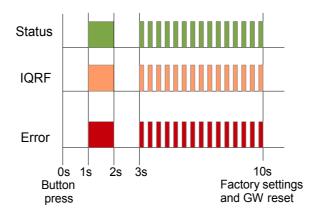
Run error 3

· Run error 3 is not used in current FW.



Factory setting and turning the GW off

To restore the setting from the factory or to switch the GW off, the following procedure should be applied:



Factory settings

• At Time = 0 The user is pressing and holding the button.

At Time = 1 to 2 s
 At Time = 2 to 3 s
 All LEDs are on.
 All LEDs are off.

• At Time = 3 s to 10 s All LEDs flashing 100 ms on, 100 ms.

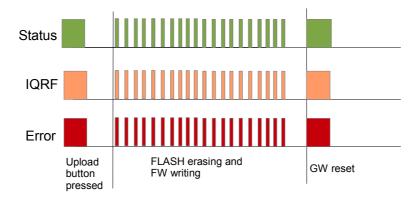
• At Time = 10 s All LEDs are off, the GW factory setting is restored and the GW is reset.

Turning off

- If the button was released at time 0 s to 1 s, this procedure is canceled and the GW returns to run mode.
- If the button was released at time 1 s to 10 s, the GW is turned off.

Firmware upgrade

Once the *Upload* button is pressed the bootloader is started. This is indicated by turning all LEDs on and off for 1s. Then the content of the FLASH is erased and consequently new firmware is written. This is indicated by 20 Hz synchronous flashing of all LEDs. After the new firmware has been written, all LEDs are turned off and the GW is reset.





Product information

Pack list

- GW-GSM-02A gateway
- Accumulator 3.7 V, 700 mAh inside
- TR module DCTR-72DA or DCTR-52DA inside, with HWP-Coordinator-STD-SPI plug-in uploaded
- GSM antenna
- Power source TY-A6 (5V DC, 500 mA, with microUSB connector, compatible with cable CAB-USBABMICRO)
- MicroUSB cable CAB-USBABMICRO
- · SD card

Ordering code

GW-GSM-02A (72D) IQRF GSM gateway, DCTR-72DA inside.
 GW-GSM-02A (52D) IQRF GSM gateway, DCTR-52DA inside.

Hardware revision

- v1.04 Minor changes in power supply circuitry, certified, FW v3.04 (or higher), FW upgradeable at the
- v1.02 EAP samples, not certified, FW v3.02, FW upgradeable at the factory only.

Firmware history

v3.09 First release for HW v1.04
v3.02 First release (EAP samples).

Document history

• 160	0222	Bug in IQRF	Cloud Period	l range fixed.
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- 160125 Updated for FW v3.10, IQRF OS v3.07D, (DC)TR-72D and server hosting by CIS.
- 150129 Typo bug in cloud.iqrf.org address fixed. Preliminary.
- 141219 First release for firmware v3.01. Preliminary.



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