UT-2506 RS-232/485 Turn CANBUS Intelligent Protocol Converter

1.1

UT-2506 intelligent protocol converter can quickly connect RS-232/485 communication device to CAN-bus field bus.

The converter supports RS-232/RS-485 with the communication speed range of 1200~115200bps and CAN-bus communication speed range of 5Kbps~1Mbps. The converter supports three data conversion modes: transparent conversion, transparent conversion with flag and Modbus protocol conversion; it also supports Modbus RTU protocol. UT-2506 converter is equipped with configuration software, and user can flexibly set UT-2506 converter operation parameters.

Applications:

Mine remote communication Intelligent buildings, public broadcasting system Security and fire network Industrial communication network Railway device network

Features:

Duplex data communication between CAN-bus and RS-232/RS-485; Supporting CAN2.0A and CAN2.0B protocol, complying with ISO/DIS 11898 specification;

Integrated one-way CAN-bus communication interface, supporting user-defined communication baud rate;

Integrated one-way 3-wire RS-232 communication interface, and communication rate could be set within the range of 1200~115200bps;

Supports three data conversion modes: transparent conversion, transparent conversion with mark, and Modbus protocol conversion;

Operating temperature: -40 $^\circ C \sim$ +85 $^\circ C$.

2.1 Appearance



2.2 Interface description

UT-2506 converter

2.2.1 CAN interface definition

	~~~~	Pin No.	Name	Description
		1	CANH	Connection terminal
				of CANH signal
	CANH	2	CANL	Connection terminal
	CANL			of CANL signal
	RES-	3	RES-	Terminal 1 of CAN
	RES+			matching resistor
	RESET	4	RES+	Terminal 2 of CAN
	GND			matching resistor
	GND	5	RESET	Reset
	SET	6	GND	Ground
	/ I N	7	GND	Ground
	GND	8	SET	Set signal
		9	VIN	Power supply input +
~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	and the second s	10	GND	Power supply input -
	7			



The definition of CAN interface is shown in Figure 2.2: pin1 marked with "CANH", and pin2 marked with "CANL" are CAN signal connectors, pin3 marked with "Res-" and pin4 marked with "Res+" are connected with CAN network terminal resistance. When UT-2506 converter is used as CAN-bus network terminal, the resistance of 120Ω should be connected between two pins; if the resistance of 120Ω is not connected, pin5 marked with "RESET" and pin6 marked "GND" are conversion reset signals; pin8 marked with "SET" is the configuration pin of the converter. If the pin is floating, when it is powered, the converter will enter the normal conversion mode; if the pin is connected with pin7 marked with "Vin" is connected to external +9V~30V DC power supply, and pin10 marked with "GND" is connected to external power supply ground.

2.2.2 RS-232 interface pin definition

For UT-2506, RS-232 port is standard DB9 socket, and the pin definition complies with RS-232 specification. Here, a 3-wire connection is used,

RS-232C pin	DB9 Female (PIN)	RS-232 interface signals
assignment	1	Protective earth
	2	Serial data output SOUT(TXD)
	3	Serial data input SIN(RXD)
	5	Signal ground GND
)	4, 6, 7, 8, 9	Vacant

2.3 Indicator description

Indicator	Colour	Function	Description
PWR	Red	Operation power	When the indicator is on, the converter
		supply	power supply runs normally.
232TX	Green	Sending via	The indicator flashing means the series
		series port	port is sending data.
232RX	Yellow	Receiving via	The indicator flashing means the series
		series port	port is receiving data.
CANTX	Green	CAN sending	The indicator flashing means the CAN is
			sending data.
CANRX	Yellow	CAN receiving	The indicator flashing means the CAN is
			receiving data.

The LEDs on converter are all used for indicating the operating state of UN-2505 converter.

2.4 CAN bus connection



According to ISO 11898 specifications, in order to enhance the reliability of CAN-bus communication, two terminals of CAN-bus network should be equipped with terminal matched resistance (120 Ω) shown in the above figure. The size of the terminal matched resistance depends on the characteristic resistance of the transmission cable, for example, if the characteristic resistance of twisted cable is 120 Ω , a terminal resistance of 120 Ω should be integrated to two bus terminals.

The UT-2506 converter internal circuit is not integrated with the terminal resistor of 120Ω (the terminal resistor is included to the package). When UT-2506 converter is used as a

terminal device, the user can connect terminal resistor of 120Ω in UT-2506 converter CAN interface between pin3 "Res-"and pin4 "Res+".

For UT-2506, there are two installation methods: DIN rail installation and self-stacked installation.

The twisted cable or shield twisted cable can be used as CAN communication line. If the communication distance exceeds 1KM, the wire sectional area should be ensured of at least 1.0mm². The detail specification should depend on distance and it should be regularly enlarged with the increasing distance.

3. Configuration instruction

Since there are so many communication parameters in CAN-bus and RS-232 series port, UT-2506 allows users to make settings by themselves according to actual application requirements. UT-2506 converter configuration includes the converter conversion mode, series port parameters, CAN-bus parameters etc. The parameter configuration can be implemented with configuration software. Before normal operation, the conversion parameters of UT-2506 should be configured in advance; if it is not configured, the parameters which are successfully configured will be implemented in UT-2506 converter (if it has never been configured, the default parameters will be implemented in the converter).

3.1 Configuration

In order to enter the configuration mode, a special configuration switch—pin8 marked with "SET" and pin7 marked with "GND" in CAN interface side is used. After "SET" is grounded and the converter is powered, it will enter "configuration" mode; when "SET" pin hanging and the converter is powered, it will enter "normal operation" mode.

The steps of entering configuration are listed below:

1. Connecting the SET and GND of the converter with cable, and power on.

2. Connecting UT-2506 converter and PC with series port line, which is included to the package.

3. Running configuration software on PC side, selecting corresponding device, opening series port and setting parameters.

Device © COM1	Speed © 9600 Baud
C COM2	10 3000 Dada
C COM3	
C COM4	
C COM5	
C COM6	Ok
C COM7	U.
C COM8	

3.2 Software description



Figure 3.1 Configuration interface

The configuration software interface of UT-2506 converter is shown in Figure 3.1. The configuration software can save and display UT-2506 converter parameters, which are successfully set at last time. It also can read out the current parameters of UT-2506 converter. Only after converter enters configuration mode, the parameters can be set via

software, or the software recognizes when the converter is not connected. Click connect; if it shows the device is connected, it is connected and it could be configured; if it shows the device is not connected, please check whether it is occupied, connected, or the configuration pin is grounded and is powered. The main configuration parameter definitions are described in detail as follows.

3.2.1 Conversion parameters

Conversion parameters refer to the conversion rule direction of the conversion etc. The conversion parameters interface is shown in Figure 3.1.

Conversion modes: there are three optional conversion modes: transparent conversion, transparent conversion with mark, and Modbus protocol conversion (for more details on each mode, please refer to "4. Application").

CAN frame message is allowed to be retransmitted to the series frame:

The parameter is available only in "transparent conversion" mode. When this option is selected, the converter will add the frame information of CAN message at the first byte of the series frame. If it is not selected, the CAN frame information will not be converted. CAN frame identity is allowed to be retransmitted to the series frame:

The parameter is available only in "transparent conversion" mode. After this option is selected, the converter will add frame ID of the CAN message between series frame data and frame message (If the frame information conversion is allowed), every 4 bytes, 8 bytes in total. If it is not selected, the CAN frame ID will not be converted.

The position of the CAN frame ID in the series frame is as follows:

The parameter is available only in "transparent conversion with mark" mode. When series data is converted to a CAN message, the deviation address of starting byte of CAN message frame ID and length of frame ID (Refer to 4.2 Transparent conversions with mark) are converted.

3.2.2 Serial parameter

Baud rate: the serial baud rate is selectable between 1200bps~115200bps, with one start-up bit and eight bits, without parity.

3.2.3 CAN parameter

COM Port Configuration							
232 baud rate	9600	•	CAN baud ra	te <mark>5k</mark>		.	
Conversion mode	Transparent transmis	ssion 👻	CAN frame ty	pe Star	ndard fran	ne 💌	
Location of C. in the serial fr		CAN r	eceive filter co	de 00	00 0	0 02	HEX
Original offset	0	•	CAN transmittin identifier	9 <mark>00</mark>	00 0	0 01	HEX
Identifier length	1	•	CAN filter mas	sk 00	00 0	0 00	HEX
sent to seria	rame content to		🔲 User-defined	l mask			
Set return value							
Connecti	on	Config	uration	ŗ	Readou	ıt	

Figure 3.2 CAN parameter interface

Baud rate: CAN bus baud rate is selectable between 5Kbps~1Mbps.

Frame type: when conversion, there are two CAN message frame types, standard frame and optional extended frame.

Sending frame ID: available only in "transparent conversion" mode, which means that the series data is converted to CAN message frame ID value (hex data); note that it is not available in "transparent conversion with mark" mode, so the sent frame ID is filled with the data in above series frame. (Refer to the section 3.2.1 The position of CAN ID in series frame)

[Note]: the frame ID is the actual CAN message ID value (the order from left to right is form higher byte to lower byte), for example, if the value is "00 00 00 0A" (HEX), the sending frame ID is 10 (the data should not be shifted as it did in the previous version). The bytes from left to right are named as ID0, ID1, ID2 and ID3. The bit sequence is from high to low, and the capital letters, spacing and character number should be same with that it is opened or there will be an error.

This item is also related to the "frame type". If the "standard frame" is selected, the frame ID is 11bit available and the value range is 0~7FF (HEX). The exceeded part is invalid and only lower 11bit is taken as effective.

If the "extended frame" is selected, the frame ID is 29bit available and the value range is 0~1F FF FF (HEX). The exceeded part is invalid, and only lower 29bit is taken as effective.

Self-defined mask code: if this option is selected, users can define CAN controller filter by

themselves, to provide multiple filter methods (refer to appendix A.3 CAN message filter setting); if it is not selected, the filter is set by configuration software with single-filter method, and the mask code of filter is set as "filter checking code value", which is set for reception only.

[Note]: Suggestion: 1. If all CAN nodes messages are to be received, this option should be selected and the "filter mask code" value is "FF FF FF FF".

2. If only fixed ID messages are to be received, this option should not be selected, only fill actual checking code to "filter checking code". If only CAN message with frame ID 6 is to be received, unselect this option and set "filter checking code" value with "00 00 00 06". Filter checking code (ACR): if "filter mask code" is set with interrelated, only when received "frame ID" and "filter checking code" are same, this frame data will be received in receiving buffer area or it will be rejected. The filling data format is hex, and every 8bit byte is separated with "Space". The bytes from left to right are respectively named as ACR0, ACR1, ACR2, and ACR3, and bit order is from higher to lower.

3.2.4 Examples for setting checking filter

3.2.4.1 "Non-custom mask code"

The "non-custom mask code" is shown in Figure 3.3 and Figure 3.4 (The setting of unselecting "custom mask code". Due to "non-custom mask code", user only needs to fill "filter checking code" and "filter mask code" is automatically set by configuration software with 0x00.



Read configuration: all the parameters of the converter will be read and displayed in the panel.

Writing configuration: after the parameters are set, click this button to write all the configuration parameters to a converter and set return value to "ER0". If it is "2", an error will occur.

4. Application explanation

UT-2506 converter is an intelligent protocol converter. It supports three conversion modes: transparent conversion, transparent conversion with mark, Modbus conversion. When configuring converter, the parameters can be selected and set.

"Transparent conversion" means that the converter just converts a bus data format to another bus data format, without adding or modifying the data. It can not only realize the data format exchange but also do not modify data content, in which the converter seems transparent for both terminals of the bus.

"Transparent conversion with mark" is a special transparent conversion method, without adding a protocol. This conversion method is according to the common characteristic of usual series frame and CAN message, so that these two different bus types can be easily set up to a same communication network. This method can convert the "address" in series frame to CAN message ID, where the starting position and length of "address" in series frame can be set. So, this way, the converter can be largely adapted to user's custom protocol.

"Modbus protocol conversion" is established to support standard Modbus protocol, and the standard Modbus RTU protocol is applied in series port side, which could interface with other standard Modbus RTU device.

A simple segmental protocol is applied in CAN bus side to transmit Modbus protocol. It can help to realize Modbus protocol communication between series network and CAN network.

These three format conversion methods are introduced in detail as following, and explaining communication process with the example.

4.1 Transparent conversion

In transparent conversion mode, as soon as the converter receives the data in one bus side, it will be re-transmitted to another bus side. In this way, it maximizes the converter speed and the buffer usage. A converter receives and re-transmits data at the same time, which helps to empty the receiving data buffer.

4.1.1 Frame format

4.1.1.1 Series bus frame

It can be data stream or data with protocol. Communication format: 1 start bit, eight data bits, and 1 stop bit.

4.1.1.2 CAN bus frame

CAN message frame format is same.

4.1.2 Conversion method

4.1.2.1 Series frame converting to CAN message

All data in series frame is filled in CAN message frame in order. As soon as the converter receives the last frame data in series bus, it starts converting. The converted CAN message frame data (frame type section) and frame ID is pre-set by user. During

conversion, the frame type and frame ID will not change. The data conversion corresponding format is shown in Figure 4.1. If the length of received frame is less than 8 bytes, the characters from 1 to n (n is the length of series frame) is filled to the CAN message data with position from 1 to n. If the length of series frame is not less than 8, started with the first character in series frame, eight characters are filled to CAN message in order. After data is transmitted to CAN bus, the remainder series frame data will be converted and filled to CAN message, until the data conversion is accomplished.

Serial frame	CAN me	ssage (standard frame)
	Frame	User configuration
	content	
	Frame ID	User configuration
		User configuration
Data 1	Data field	Data 1
Data 2		Data 2
Data 3		Data 3
Data 4		Data 4
Data 5		Data 5
Data 6		Data 6
Data 7		Data 7

Figure 4.1 Converting series frame to CAM message (transparent mode)

4.1.2.2 CAN message converting to series frame

For the CAN bus message, as soon as one frame is received, it is re-transmitted. The data conversion corresponding format is shown in Figure 4.2.

When converting, the data in CAN messages are all converted to series frame in order. If "Enable frame message conversion" item is selected when setting, the "frame message" bytes in CAN message will be all filled to series frame in converter directly. If "Enable frame ID conversion" item is selected, the "frame ID" byte in CAM message will be all filled to series frame.

Serial frame		CAN me	essage (standard frame)
Frame content		Frame	Frame content
Frame ID1		content	
Frame iD1		Frame ID	Frame ID1
Frame ID2			Frame ID2
Data 1		Data field	Data 1
Data 2			Data 2
Data 3			Data 3
Data 4	_		Data 4
Data 5			Data 5
Data 6			Data 6
Data 7			Data 7

Figure 4.2 Converting CAM message to series frame (transparent mode)

4.1.3 Conversion example

4.1.3.1 Series frame converting to CAN message

Assuming CAN message frame message is set to "standard frame", frame ID1, ID2 is respectively "00, 60", and conversion format is shown in Figure 4.3.

Serial frame	CAN message	e (standard frame)	
	Frame	08	05
	content		
	Frame ID 1	00	00
	Frame ID 2	60	60
01	Data field	01	09
02		02	10
03		03	11
04		04	12
05		05	13
06		06	
07		07	
08		08	
09			

Figure 4.4 Example of converting CAM message to series frame (transparent mode)

4.1.3.2 Series frame converting to CAN message

If CAN message is set with "frame information" conversion, "frame ID" will not be converted. CAN message and converted series frame are shown in.

Serial frame
07
01
02
03
04
05
06
07

CAN me	essage (standard frame)
Frame	07
content	
Frame ID1	00
Frame ID2	00
Data field	01
	02
	03
	04
	05
	06
	07

Figure 4.4 Example of converting CAM message to series frame (transparent mode)

4.2 Transparent conversion with mark

Transparent conversion with mark is a special transparent conversion method, which is easy for users to setup their own network and use custom application protocol via converter.

In this mode, the address information in series frame will be automatically converted to CAN bus frame ID. If the starting position and length of the address in series frame is set in advance, the converter will extract the frame ID and fill it in CAN message frame ID as the CAN message ID when re-transmitting the series frame. When converting CAN message to series frame, CAN message ID is also converted to the corresponding position in series frame.

Note: in this conversion mode, the "Sending ID" in configuration software "CAN parameter" item is invalid, so the sending frame ID should be filled with the data in above series frame.

4.2.1 Frame format

4.2.1.1 Series bus frame

When converting with mark, it requires the whole series data frame, and the interval between frames will be recognized as partitioning standard.

And the interval can be set by user. The maximum series frame length is the length of buffer: 255 bytes.

The first data detected by converter in series bus idle state is taken as the first character in receiving frame. In transmission, the interval in the frame should be less or equal to the time of transmitting n characters (n value could be set in PC in advance) (the time of transmitting a character=the bit number included in the character / corresponding baud rate).

After receiving a character, if there is no more received characters within the time of transmitting n characters, the converter recognizes that the frame transmission is accomplished, and the character is taken as the last character; the characters after the time transmitting n characters is not belonging to this frame but the next frame. The frame format is shown in Figure 4.5.



Figure 4.5 the time format of series frame (Transparent conversion with mark)

4.2.1.2 CAN bus frame

The format of CAN message holds, and only frame ID corresponding to CAN will be converted to series frame.

4.2.2 Conversion method

4.2.2.1 Series frame converting to CAN message

The starting address and length in series frame with CAN mark could be set in configuration. The range of starting address is 0~7, and the range of length is 1~2.

When converting, the CAN frame ID in series frame are all converted to CAN message frame ID according to the setting (if the number of frame ID is less than the number of CAN message frame ID, the filling order of CAN message is frame ID1~ID4, and the remainder ID are filled with 0), the other data are converted in order shown in Figure 4.6. If a frame CAN message converting to series frame data is not accomplished, the same ID will be taken as CAN message frame ID to continue converting, until the series frame conversion is accomplished.

		1				
Seri	al frame			CAN message 1	CAN	CAN message
					message	x
			Frame	User	User	User
			content	Configuration	Configuration	Configuration
			Frame ID 1	00	00	00
Address0	Data 1		Frame ID 2	Data 4	Data 4	Data 4
Address1	Data 2			(CAN frame	(CAN frame	(CAN frame
Address2	Data 3]		ID1)	ID1)	ID1)
Address3	Data 4		Data field	Data 1	Data	Data n-4
	(CAN frame			Data 2	Data	Data n-3
	ID1)			Data3	Data	Data n-2
Address4	Data 5			Data 5	Data	Data n-1
Address5	Data 6			Data 6	Data	Data n
Address6	Data 7			Data 7	Data	
Address7	Data 8			Data 8	Data	
]		Data 9	Data	
Address	Data n					
(n-1)						

Figure 4.6 series frame converting to CAN message (transparent conversion with mark)

4.2.2.2 CAN message converting to series frame

For CAN message, as soon as a frame is received, it is re-transmitted. When re-transmitting, the ID in CAN message is converted according to the position and length in pre-set CAN frame ID. The other data are re-transmitted in order, which is shown in Figure 4.7.

Note: when applying, the frame format of both series frame and CAN message (standard frame or extended frame) should comply with the pre-set frame format requirement, or it will cause communication failure.



Figure 4.7 CAN message converting to series frame (transparent conversion with mark)

4.2.3Conversion method

4.2.3.1 Series frame converting to CAN message

Assuming that the starting address of CAN ID in series frame is 2 and length is 2 (in the condition of extended frame), the series frame and converted CAN message result is shown in Figure 4.8. Where, the same ID is used for conversion by two frames of CAN message

Seria	l frame			CAN message 1	C
Address0	Data 1	-	Frame content	18	
Address1	Data 2	-	Frame ID 1	Data 3	
Address2	Data 3	-		(CAN frame	
	(CAN frame			ID1)	
	ID1)		Frame ID 2	Data 4	
Address3	Data 4			(CAN frame	
	(CAN frame			ID2)	
	ID2)		Frame ID 3	00	
Address5	Data 6		Frame ID 4	00	
Address6	Data 7		Data field	Data 1	
Address7	Data 8			Data 2	
Address8	Data 9			Data6	
Address9	Data 10			Data 7	
Address10	Data 11			Data 8	
Address11	Data 12			Data 9	
Address12	Data 13			Data 10	
Address13	Data 14			Data 11	
Address14	Data 15				

Figure 4.8 Example of converting series frame to CAM message (transparent conversion with mark mode)

4.2.3.2 CAN message converting to series frame

Assuming that the starting address of set CAN ID in series frame is 2 and length is 2 (in the condition of extended frame), the CAN message and converted series frame result is shown in Figure 4.8.



Figure 4.9 Example of converting CAM message to series frame (transparent conversion with mark mode)

4.3 Modbus conversion

Modbus protocol is a standard application-level protocol, which is widely used in all kinds of industry control application. The protocol is open and real-time with good communication authentication mechanism, which is very suitable for applications with requirement of high communication reliability.

The standard Modbus RTU protocol format is applied in converter's series port side, so that the converter can not only support user to use Modbus RTU protocol, but also directly interface with other device, which supports Modbus RTU protocol.

In CAN side, an easy segment communication format is established to realize Modbus communication.

The converter plays a role of checking protocol and re-transmitting, and it is not the master or slave station of the Modbus but supports the transmission of Modbus protocol. User just needs to comply with the Modbus communication protocol.

4.3.1 Frame format

4.3.1.1 Series bus frame

The standard Modbus RTU protocol is applied for series interface, so the user frame should comply with this protocol (refer to appendix: Modbus protocol introduction). If the converted frame does not comply with Modbus RTU format, the received frame will be abandoned and will not be converted.

Modbus RTU transmission format used for converter is one starting bit, eight data bits and one stop bit.

The maximum Modbus RTU frame length is the length of buffer: 255 bytes.

4.3.1.2 CAN bus frame

The devices applying Modbus protocol in CAN side requires a reliable transmission formation, which is realized with a segmental protocol. It defines a method to segregate and recombine the message more than 8 bytes.

The transmission protocol in DeviceNet segmental message is referenced for establishing segmental transmission protocol. The segmental message format is shown in table 4.1 (Taking extended frame as example, and standard has the same format except the length of frame ID), and the transmitted Modbus protocol content is started with "data2" byte. If the protocol content is more than 7 bytes, the remainder protocol content will be continuously converted based on this segment formation, until the conversion is accomplished.

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	
Frame									
content									
Frame ID1									
Frame ID2									
Frame ID3									
Frame ID4									
Data 1	Segment	Segment type		Segment counter					
Data I	tag	Segme	int type	Segment counter					
Data 2				Charao	cter 1				
Data 3				Charao	cter 2				
Data 4				Charao	cter 3				
Data 5	Character 4								
Data 6	Character 5								
Data 7				Charao	cter 6				
Data 8				Charao	cter 7				

CAN bus frame format is described as following:

Table 4.1 CAN 2.0 B extended frame format

Segmental message flag: it indicates whether the message is segmental message. If flag=0, it is single message; if flag=1, it is one frame of the segmental message.

Segment type: indicates the first section, middle section, or the final section. The value definitions are listed in Table 4.2.

Bit value	meaning	explanation	
0	1 st segment	If segment counter includes value 0,	
0	i segment	then this segment is the first segment	
1	ntermediate segment	This is the intermediate segment	
2	Last segment	This is the last segment	
1 2	-	•	

Table 4.2 Value definition for segment type

Segment counter: the flag of each segment is the series number of the segment in the whole message. The counter value indicates the number of the segment. It can help to verify whether there is segment lost when receiving data.

4.3.2Conversion method

When converting series side to CAN side, only after converter receives an intact and correct Modbus RTU frame, the conversion will be implemented, or it will not be implemented.

Shown in Figure 4.10, the address of Modbus RTU protocol is converted to ID4 (extended frame) ID2 (standard frame) of the frame ID in CAN message, and during the frame conversion process, ID will not be changed.

Modbus RTU frame		CAN message	CAN message 1	CAN message x
Address field		Frame content	Frame content	Frame content
Function code		Frame ID 1	00	00
Data field	-	Frame ID 2	00	00
		Frame ID 3	00	00
		Frame ID 4	[Used by segment protocol]	[Used by segment protocol]
		Data 1	Function code	Data field
CRC field	-	Data 2	Data field	
	J	Data 3		
		Data 4		
		Data 5		
		Data 6		
		Data 7		
		Data 8		

Figure 4.10 the conversion format of communication frame (Modbus mode)

Nevertheless, CRC checking byte will not be converted to CAN message, and CAN message should not be with checking byte of series frame, because CAN bus itself has better checking mechanism.

The protocol content (function code and data) in Modbus RTU is converted. When converting, the protocol content is converted in turn to CAN message frame (started with the second data byte, the first one is used for segmental protocol), and the length of Modbus RTU frame is different according to the different function code. Only seven pieces of data are transmitted in one CAN message frame, so that the longer Modbus RTU frame will be segregated, converted to CAN message and then transmitted with above CAN segment protocol. User can receive function code and data in CAN nodes.

For Modbus CAN bus protocol data, it does not need cyclic redundancy check (CRC16). After converter receives a frame according to segmental protocol, the cyclic redundancy check (CRC16) will be automatically added, and it will be converted to Modbus RTU frame and sent to series bus. If the received data does not comply with segmental protocol, the data will be abandoned.

4.3.3 Conversion example

In the condition of setting extended frame, which is shown in Figure 4.11, when converting Modbus RTU frame to CAN message, the address 0x08 is directly filled to frame ID4, and the other frame ID are filled with 0x00. During converting process, the frame ID will not be changed.

If a frame Modbus message cannot be processed in a frame CAM message, the segmental protocol is applied for CAN message. The "data1" in each CAN message are all used to fill the segmental information (0x81, 0xC2), and the information will not be converted Modbus RTU frame, which is used to confirm frame information as frame format. The value of function code and data are filled to data 2~8 in CAN message in order.

Serial	rame		CAN message	CAN message 1	CAN message 2
Address field	08		Frame content	18	14
Function code	11		Frame ID 1	00	00
Data field	00		Frame ID 2	00	00
	01		Frame ID 3	00	00
	00		Frame ID 4	08	08
	02		Data1	81	C2
	04		Data2	11	0A
	00		Data3	00	01
	0A		Data4	01	02
	01		Data5	00	
	02		Data6	02	
CRC field	ED		Data7	04	
	69		Data8	00	

Figure 4.11 the example of conversion format of communication frame (Modbus mode)

4.4 Application note

It is suggested to be used in low-speed systems and converter is not available for high-speed data transmission.

After switching between "configuration mode" and "normal operation mode", the converter should be re-powered, or the original operation mode will be implemented and the successful switch cannot be achieved.

In "transparent conversion with mark" and "Modbus conversion", the frame types of CAN network and configuration should be same, or the communication cannot be implemented.

In "transparent conversion with mark" and "Modbus conversion", the transmission of series frame should meet the configured time requirement, or there will be communication error.

Since CAN bus is half-duplex, the data sequence in bus both sides should be ensured in data conversion process. If sending a lot of data to converter in bus both sides, it will cause incomplete data conversion.

When using UT-2506 converter, the baud rate and the interval of sending data in bus both sides should be reasonable. When converting, the data acceptability of bus with low bait rate should be considered. For example, when converting CAN bus data to series bus, the rate of CAN bus reaches thousands frames per second, and the rate of series bus is just hundreds frames per second. So, if the rate of CAN bus is too fast, the converted data will be incomplete. Generally, CAN baud rate should be about 3 times the serial port baud rate, and data transmission will be relative uniform (because the other functions are added when CAN bus transmits data, which enlarges the length of data, so that under the same baud rate the time of CAN transmission is longer than that of series bus transmission). When converting series bus data to CAN bus, if data(less than 255 bits) is sent, the next data should be sent after previous data are all sent to CAN bus to avoid data lost.

4.5 Converter test

4.5.1 Power supply test

The converter is connected to an external 9V~30V (1W) DC power supply.

After powered, "POWER" indicator will be lighted immediately.

If the state of all indicators does not comply with the description after powered, please check whether the power supply complies with the requirements.

4.5.2 Configuration test

After "configuration switch" is connected (connecting pin8 "SET" and pin7 "GND" in CAN interface side) and then powered, the converter enters "configuration mode". Connecting PC and converter with series line enables configuration.

Running configuration software, selecting PC series port connected with converter and clicking "open series port" button. If it is opened, the following configuration parameters are opened, which could be changed and set.

If the converter runs in "normal operation" mode, the software will remind "the device cannot be connected", and please check whether the selected PC series port is connected.

4.5.3 Communication test

After disconnecting "configuration switch" (disconnecting pin8 "SET" and pin7 "GND" in CAN interface side and then re-powered, the converter enters "normal operation" mode. The communication test could be implemented with series debug software.



The communication test structure connection is shown in Figure 4.12. Except for the PC, there should be a CAN device for receiving and sending data. Note that the baud rates of CAN device and UT-2506 converter should be same in one CAN-bus. The series baud rate same as converter should be selected with series debug software to observe whether the data received by CAN device is same as the sent data. Similarly, sending data from CAN device to converter can also be observed whether the data received by series software is same as the sent data. If the data is transmitted, the indicator in corresponding side will flash.

Bit number	symbol	function	Reset value	RM set
9:0	ID index	If the BP bit (see the next row) is 0, then the value of this field is the row number of the lookup table starting from 0, and the acceptance filter use this value to match the receiving identifier. The disable row in standard table also has a number, but it is not used to match. Please refer to the ID index example in section 12.16 "example of acceptance filter table and ID index value" for details.	0	x
10	BP	If this bit is 1 then current message will be received in AF BYPASS mode, and the ID index field (see the previous row) has no effect	0	x
15:11	-	Reserved. User software should not write 1 to these reserved bits, and the readout value from these bits is not defined.	NA	
19:16	DLC	This field includes the data length code (DLC) of currently received message. If RTR=0 then the value of this field is relevant to the available data byte counts of the CANRDA and CANRDB registers: 0000-0111=0~7 bytes 1000-1111=8 bytes If RTR=1 then the value of this field specifies the data byte counts which are requested to be sent back, and the same coding is used.	0	x
29:20	-	Reserved. User software should not write 1 to these reserved bits, and the readout value from these bits is not defined.	NA	
30	RTR	This bit includes the remote transmitting request bit of currently received message. 0 means a data frame is received, and if DLC is a non-zero value then the data can be read out from CANRDA or CANRDB register. 1 means a remote frame is received, and the DLC value is used for identifying the byte counts to be requested to transmit (using the same identifier).	0	x
31	FF	If this bit is 0 then the currently received message includes an 11-bits identifier. If this bit is 1 then the currently received message includes a 29-bits identifier. The value of this bit can influence the content of CANID register which will be described below.	0	x

Bit number	symbol	function		RM set
10:0	ID	11 bits of identifier field of currently received message. These bits are represented by ID10-0 in CAN2.0A or ID29-18 in CAN2.0B	0	x
31:11	-	Reserved. User software should not write 1 to these reserved bits, and the readout value from these bits is not defined.	NA	

Table 12.16 RX identifier register when FF=1

Bit	symbol	function		RM
number	Symbol			set
28:0	ID	11 bits of identifier field of currently received message.	0	X
28:0 ID	U	These bits are represented by ID29-0 in CAN2.0B.		х
		Reserved. User software should not write 1 to these		
31:29	-	reserved bits, and the readout value from these bits is	NA	
		not defined.		