Tutorial for ESP8266 Serial WiFi Module

In this tutorial, we'll use a seeeduino to control the ESP8266 WiFi module to request a static page from the internet. This is a basic use of TCP socket, for other usage, please refer to the AT command guide of the module.

Material list:

<u>Seeeduino V3</u> / Arduino Uno <u>ESP8266 Serial WiFi module</u> <u>UartSBee v4</u> / other USB to TTL converter

Note: We used a software serial to print some debugging information as there's only one hardware serial on seeeduino board. But the limitation of software serial is that it can't communicate in a higher baud rate than 19200. So part of the output from ESP module will be dropped because the baud rate 57600 of ESP module is higher than that of the software serial. If you have a board with more than one hardware serial (e.g. Arduino Mega 2560), the case will be easier.

Step-By-Step

Step 1: connect module as the following picture



Step 2: Programe the seeeduino board.

- 1. Open Arduino IDE and create a new sketch;
- 2. Parse the following code into the sketch editor (need modifying the SSID and PASS macros into your own situation);

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#include <SoftwareSerial.h>
#define SSID "xxxxxxxx"
#define PASS "xxxxxxxx"
#define DST_IP "220.181.111.85" //baidu.com
SoftwareSerial dbgSerial(10, 11); // RX, TX
void setup()
{
  // Open serial communications and wait for port to open:
  Serial.begin(57600);
  Serial.setTimeout(5000);
  dbgSerial.begin(9600); //can't be faster than 19200 for softserial
  dbgSerial.println("ESP8266 Demo");
  //test if the module is ready
  Serial.println("AT+RST");
  delay(1000);
  if(Serial.find("ready"))
  {
    dbgSerial.println("Module is ready");
  }
  else
  {
    dbgSerial.println("Module have no response.");
   while(1);
  delay(1000);
  //connect to the wifi
  boolean connected=false;
  for(int i=0;i<5;i++)</pre>
  {
    if(connectWiFi())
    {
      connected = true;
      break;
    }
  if (!connected) {while(1);}
  delay(5000);
  //print the ip addr
  /*Serial.println("AT+CIFSR");
  dbgSerial.println("ip address:");
  while (Serial.available())
  dbgSerial.write(Serial.read());*/
  //set the single connection mode
 Serial.println("AT+CIPMUX=0");
}
void loop()
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  String cmd = "AT+CIPSTART=\"TCP\",\"";
  cmd += DST_IP;
  cmd += "\",80";
  Serial.println(cmd);
  dbgSerial.println(cmd);
  if(Serial.find("Error")) return;
  cmd = "GET / HTTP/1.0 \r\n\r,
  Serial.print("AT+CIPSEND=");
  Serial.println(cmd.length());
  if(Serial.find(">"))
    dbgSerial.print(">");
    }else
      Serial.println("AT+CIPCLOSE");
      dbgSerial.println("connect timeout");
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delay(1000);
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return;
  }
  Serial.print(cmd);
  delay(2000);
  //Serial.find("+IPD");
  while (Serial.available())
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    char c = Serial.read();
    dbgSerial.write(c);
    if(c=='\r') dbgSerial.print('\n');
  }
  dbgSerial.println("====");
  delay(1000);
boolean connectWiFi()
{
  Serial.println("AT+CWMODE=1");
  String cmd="AT+CWJAP=\"";
  cmd+=SSID;
  cmd+="\setminus", \setminus "";
  cmd+=PASS;
  cmd+="\"";
  dbgSerial.println(cmd);
  Serial.println(cmd);
  delay(2000);
  if(Serial.find("OK"))
  {
    dbgSerial.println("OK, Connected to WiFi.");
    return true;
    }else
    {
      dbgSerial.println("Can not connect to the WiFi.");
      return false;
    }
  }
```

Step 3: Open Serial Monitor and press the reset button of seeeduino board, you'll see the output.

At last, Happy Hakcing! :)