

GN-AP03G

AirCruiser G Range Extender

User's Manual



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This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one of the following measures:

- Change direction or location of antenna.
- Increase the distance between the equipment and the antenna.
- Connect this equipment with a socket different from the one connected with antenna
- Ask help from experienced audio/video technicians.

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This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

FCC Radiation Exposure Statement:

This equipment complies with FCC radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This equipment should be installed and operated with minimum distance 20cm between the radiator & your body.

This transmitter must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

The antenna(s) used for this transmitter must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

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 - (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and
 - (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.
2. FCC RF Radiation Exposure Statement: The equipment complies with FCC RF radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This equipment should be installed and operated with a minimum distance of 20 centimeters between the radiator and your body.
3. This Transmitter must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.
4. Changes or modifications to this unit not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user authority to operate the equipment.

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Chapter 1 Introduction

Overview

Thank you for purchasing GIGABYTE's GN-AP03G AirCruiser G Range Extender. The AP03G will improve and extend your existing wireless signal and reach those areas you couldn't before. With the advantage of not requiring additional network cabling, the GN-AP03G Range Extender is capable of repeating 802.11b/g wireless signals.

Setting up doesn't get any easier with GN-AP03G's auto configuration button your wireless connection is just a push of a button away. The GN-AP03G will automatically search and select an AP(s) to link up for expanding your coverage*.

* Connection will only be made to a network with security disabled

Features

- Auto Configuration hardware button for supporting WDS
- Conform to IEEE 802.11g specification
- Wireless transmits data rate up to the maximum speed of 54Mbps
- Support 64-bit /128-bit WEP encryption
- Support DHCP Server and Client IP address configuration
- Easy Web Management
- Web based Firmware upgrade

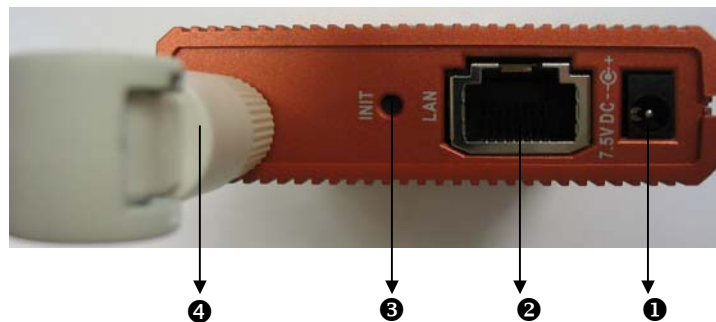
Package Contents

Before installing, please examine the components to ensure that none were damaged during shipping. The package contents of the GN-AP03G shall include:

- ☑ GN-AP03G AirCruiser G Range Extender
- ☑ Power Adapter
- ☑ Installation CD containing User's Guide
- ☑ User's Guide
- ☑ Ethernet Cable

If there are any missing or damaged parts, please contact your local distributor or dealer immediately. If a replacement unit is needed, return the device with the original packing material, otherwise the warranty will be void.

GN-AP03G Rear Panel



The AirCruiser G Range Extender's port is located on the rear panel and the antenna is located on the left side as shown from above.

- ① Power Socket**
Connect the power adapter to the power socket and power outlet
- ② Ethernet LAN Port**
10/100Mbps LAN connection with auto-sensing and MDI/MDIX
- ③ Initialize Button**
With a pin or paperclip depress for 5 seconds to reset the unit to factory settings
- ④ Antenna**
Removable high gain 2.4GHz dipole-type

Status LEDs

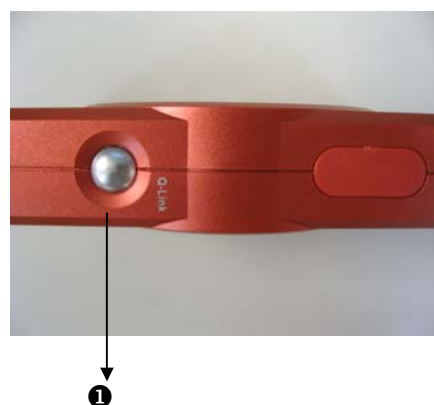


LED's

Please see the table below for a description of the LEDs:

Label	Activity	Description
Power	On (Green)	Unit is receiving power and functioning
	Off	Unit is not receiving power
	On (Orange)	Unit is receiving power but not functioning
Q-Link	On (Green)	Auto-linking is complete
	Blink	Devices are engaging in auto-link
	On (Red)	Auto-linking failed
	Off	Auto-linking is not work
WLAN	On (Green)	Wireless link is connected
	Blink	Data is being transmitted wirelessly
LAN	On (Green)	LAN port has detected a link with a 10/100 Mbps device
	Blink	Data is being transmitted

Side View



❶ Q-Link Button

You can press the Q-Link button to enable the AirCruiser G Range Extenders to link to one Gigabyte brand Access Point / Router automatically for extending the reach of a wireless network.

Chapter 2 QUICK INSTALLATION

System Requirements

Suggested Specifications for Wireless LAN Access Point installation:

- A PC or Macintosh Computer
- An installed 802.11b/g wireless PCI LAN adapter
- A 802.11b/g Wireless router or Access Point

WDS setting

The WDS function allows several of the access points to compose a wide Wireless LAN network. Please note all APs must be set to use the same channel and the SSID of all participating APs must also be the same.

1. Auto WDS Hardware Installation



You can easily use the WDS function by pressing the Q-Link button.

Step 1 Please confirm the Wireless LED is blinking.

Step 2 Press the Q-Link button for 2 seconds.

Step 3 At this time, the GN-AP03G will detect and connect to the GIGABYTE AP or Router automatically. And the Q-Link LED will blink few seconds. After the connection has been setup successfully, the Q-Link LED will keep light up for 5 seconds and then turn off.

Step 4 Now you can start to use your PC or laptop to connect to the Gigabyte GN-AP03G to enjoy the extended covering range.

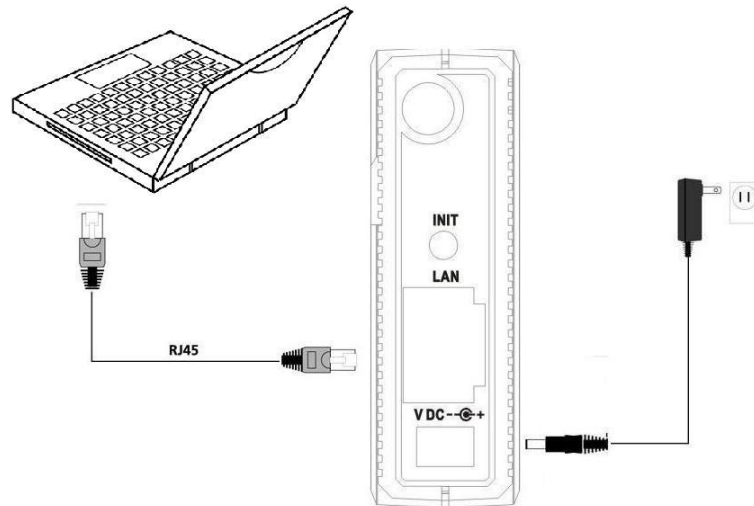
2. Manually Setup WDS

Hardware Installation

Follow the steps below when installing your Range Extender(s).

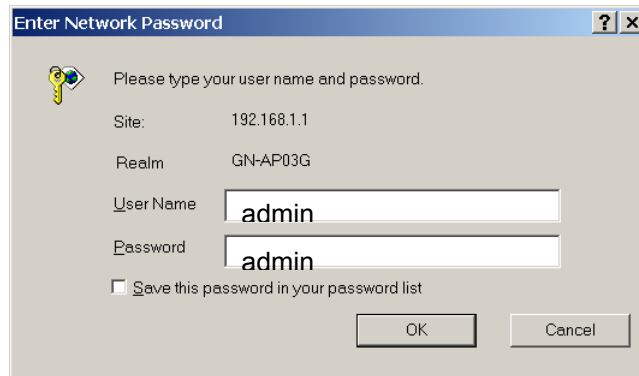
Before you begin, please keep the following in mind when placing your Range Extender(s).

- ✓ Select a suitable location to install the Range Extender. Assure that the location is **away** from any interfering radio signals from devices such as microwave ovens, garage door openers, vacuum cleaning devices, etc. Please also operate the Range Extender in a cool dry place, away from direct sunlight.
- ✓ Position the Range Extender appropriately. Signal strength is greatly dependent on your well-placed Range Extender. Generally, a centralized area with 360° clear line of sight is the best location with the antenna in a high position to allow optimal propagation of the signal.
The location of the Range Extender greatly influences the signal reception.



- Step 1 Turn off all the hardware devices in your network.
- Step 2 Connect the Ethernet cable of your router/hub to the LAN port of the Range Extender.
- Step 3 Connect the other end of the Ethernet cable to the LAN port of your desktop or notebook.
- Step 4 Plug the power adapter cord into the Range Extender's power jack and then plug the power adapter into a power outlet.
- Step 5 Turn on all the hardware devices in your network. After verifying all the connections, proceed to **Appendix C: PC Configuration**
- Step 6 WDS setting of GN-AP03G
 Type in <http://192.168.1.1> in your IE browser, then you can log in to the configuration WEB page of GN-AP03G. And follow the below instruction to configuration the WDS setting.

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Enter Network Password

Please type your user name and password.

Site: 192.168.1.1

Realm: GN-AP03G

User Name:

Password:

☐ Save this password in your password list

OK Cancel

Add the MAC address through AP03 scanning

Please choose in the menu bar "Wireless (AP)→ WDS". Now you need to choose the device, which you like to build the WDS link. Then, please click the **ADD** button of the chosen device. And then press "Apply Changes" button.



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- Status
- Wireless (AP)
- Basic Settings
- Security
- WDS
- Access Control
- TCP/IP Settings
- System Settings
- Statistics
- Upgrade Firmware
- About
- Logout
- Reboot

Current WDS AP List:

BSSID Address	Select
00:0F:EA:91:A6:E2	<input type="button" value="ADD"/>
00:20:ED:08:59:AF	<input type="button" value="ADD"/>
00:20:ED:08:7A:53	<input type="button" value="ADD"/>
00:20:ED:07:5F:6D	<input type="button" value="ADD"/>
00:0F:EA:F8:0E:DF	<input type="button" value="ADD"/>
00:03:7F:05:4D:8D	<input type="button" value="ADD"/>
00:20:00:02:00:11	<input type="button" value="ADD"/>
00:0A:79:5D:7E:3C	<input type="button" value="ADD"/>
00:0F:3D:29:44:A9	<input type="button" value="ADD"/>
00:20:ED:1F:F9:6E	<input type="button" value="ADD"/>
00:20:ED:40:BC:B3	<input type="button" value="ADD"/>
00:02:6F:06:A2:12	<input type="button" value="ADD"/>
00:90:CC:AD:51:14	<input type="button" value="ADD"/>

1: 2:

3: 4:

Step 7 WDS setting of AP/Router

Case 1 GIGABYTE AP/Router

Please enter the GN-AP03G's MAC address into the field on the GIGABYTE AP/Router's WDS settings page. And "Enable" the device then press "Submit".

You can find GN-AP03G's MAC address by choosing in the menu bar "Status".

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Access Point Status

This page shows the current status and some basic settings of the device.

System	
AP Name	GN-AP03G
Uptime	0H:39M:7S
Firmware Version	1.03E
Wireless(Card1) Configuration	
SSID	GIGABYTE
Region Domain	North America
Channel Number	6
Security Mode	Open System
Associated Clients	0
BSSID	00:0F:EA:F8:0E:CE
TCP/IP Configuration	
IP Address	192.168.1.1
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
Default Gateway	192.168.1.254
MAC Address	00:00:00:00:00:00
DHCP Server	ENABLE

WDS Wireless Bridge Configuration

Enter up to four WLAN MAC addresses using this format: XX:XX:XX:XX:XX:XX

1	00:0F:EA:F8:0E:CE	enable
2		disable
3		disable
4		disable

Please reference to the AP/Router manual for detail.

Note: AP03's security setting and Channel **SHOULD** be same with AP/Router's security setting and Channel.

Case 2 Other Brand AP/Router

Please enter the AP03G's MAC address into the field on the other brand AP/Router's WDS setting page.

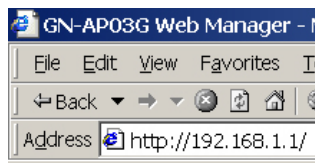
Note: AP03's security setting and Channel **SHOULD** be same with AP/Router's security setting and Channel.

Chapter 3 Configuration - Using A Web-Browser

This section explains the web-based configuration method of setting up the Range Extender. Any Internet Explorer 5.0 or above or Netscape Communicator 6.0 or above may be used to administer the GN-AP03G AirCruiser G Range Extender.

Using Web-based Configuration

Open the web-browser of your choice, and enter the local IP address of the GN-AP03G AirCruiser G Range Extender into the address line of browser. (The factory default local IP is 192.168.1.1) and press **Enter**.



The screen shown as below will appear. In lowercase letters, enter the default user name and password, **admin**, in the User Name and *Password* fields. Click the **OK** button.

A screenshot of a dialog box titled "Enter Network Password". It contains a key icon and the text "Please type your user name and password." Below this, there are labels for "Site:" (with value "192.168.1.1") and "Realm:" (with value "GN-AP03G"). There are two input fields: "User Name" and "Password". At the bottom, there is a checkbox labeled "Save this password in your password list" which is unchecked. There are "OK" and "Cancel" buttons at the bottom right.

Status

You can use this status screen to view the Range Extender's system information, current connection status and configuration.

Access Point Status

This page shows the current status and some basic settings of the device.

System	
AP Name	GN-AP03G
Uptime	0H:7M:38S
Firmware Version	1.06E
Wireless(Card1) Configuration	
SSID	GIGABYTE
Region Domain	Others
Channel Number	6
Security Mode	Open System
Associated Clients	0
BSSID	00:0F:EA:F8:0E:C7
TCP/IP Configuration	
IP Address	192.168.1.1
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
Default Gateway	192.168.1.254
MAC Address	00:0F:EA:F8:0E:C9
DHCP Server	DISABLE

Wireless Basic Settings

The Range Extender will automatically detect and display your wireless settings. Changes of these settings will influence your wireless connection and performance.

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Wireless Basic Settings

This page is used to configure the parameters for wireless LAN clients which may connect to your Access Point. Here you may change wireless basic settings as well as wireless network parameters.

SSID:

Channel Number:

Transmit Rate:

802.11g Only Mode: ☐ Enabled ☒ Disabled

Hidden SSID: ☐ Enabled ☒ Disabled

RF Radio: ☒ Enabled ☐ Disabled

Associated Clients:

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SSID

ESSID (or SSID as it is usually referred to) is the network name of the Range Extender in the wireless network. You should set the same SSID name for all your wireless-equipped devices to allow dynamic clients to easily roam among them. The SSID name can be up to 32 characters in length and is case sensitive (i.e. upper case letters “A~Z” and lower case “a~z” are unique).

Channel Number

Please choose the channel for best performance. Normally, no change is needed.

Transmit Rate

Select the desired data rate. The range is from 1 to 54Mbps and the default rate is set to “Auto”.

802.11g Only Mode

Enabled -- No Wireless-B clients will be allowed on the network.

Disabled – Both Wireless-G and Wireless-B clients will be allowed on the network. (Default setting)

Hidden ESSID

This setting enables you to hide ESSID name, which is needed by clients in order to connect to the Range Extender. The default value is “Disable”. In this setting, **all users are able to read your AP's SSID name.**

RF Radio

Enable or disable the RF Radio function.

Associated Clients

Click “**Show Active Clients**” button to obtain the connecting users' information.

Wireless Security Setting

Use this feature to set up the security types for the Range Extender. Two security types are available: Open System and Shared Key.

* Open system

Allows any device to connect to the network, assuming that the device and access point's share the same SSID.

* Shared Key

Only those computers that have the correct authentication key can join the network.

Key Length choice

Disable - No encryption will be applied.

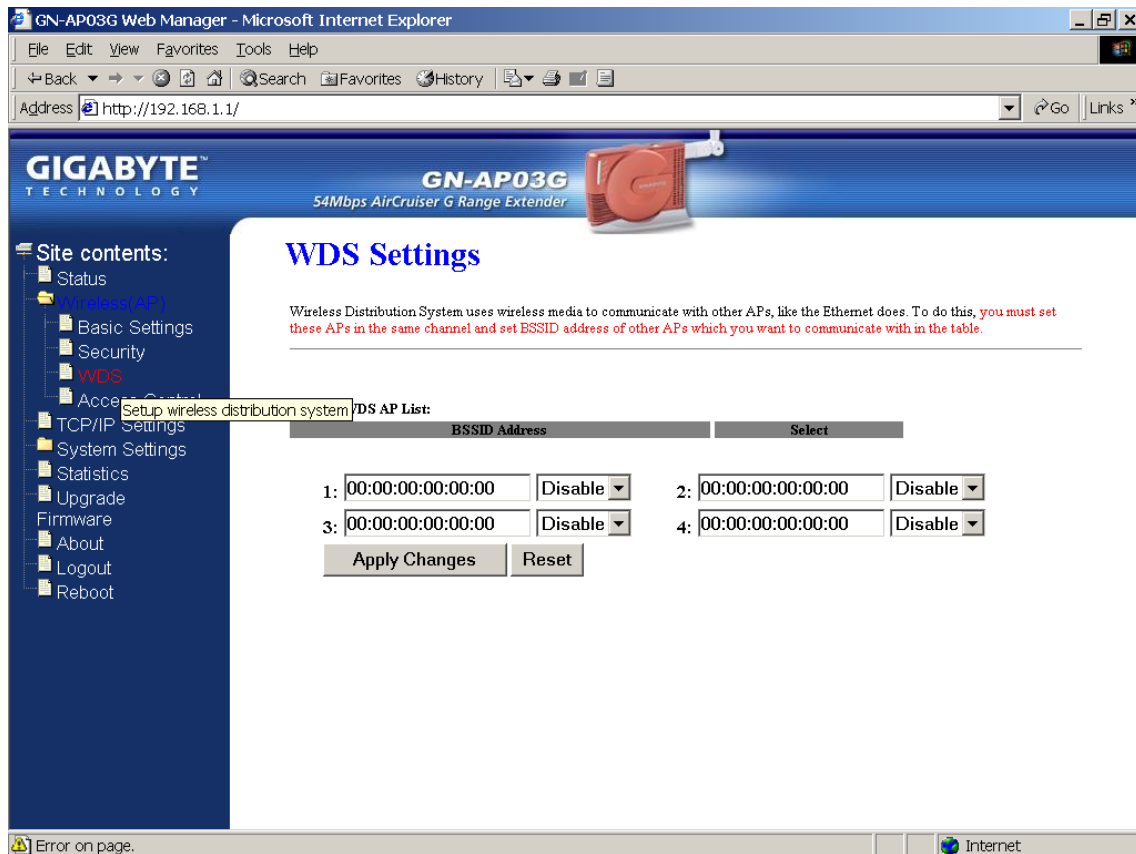
64-bit - enter 5 hexadecimal digits.

128-bit - enter 13 hexadecimal digits.

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WDS Settings

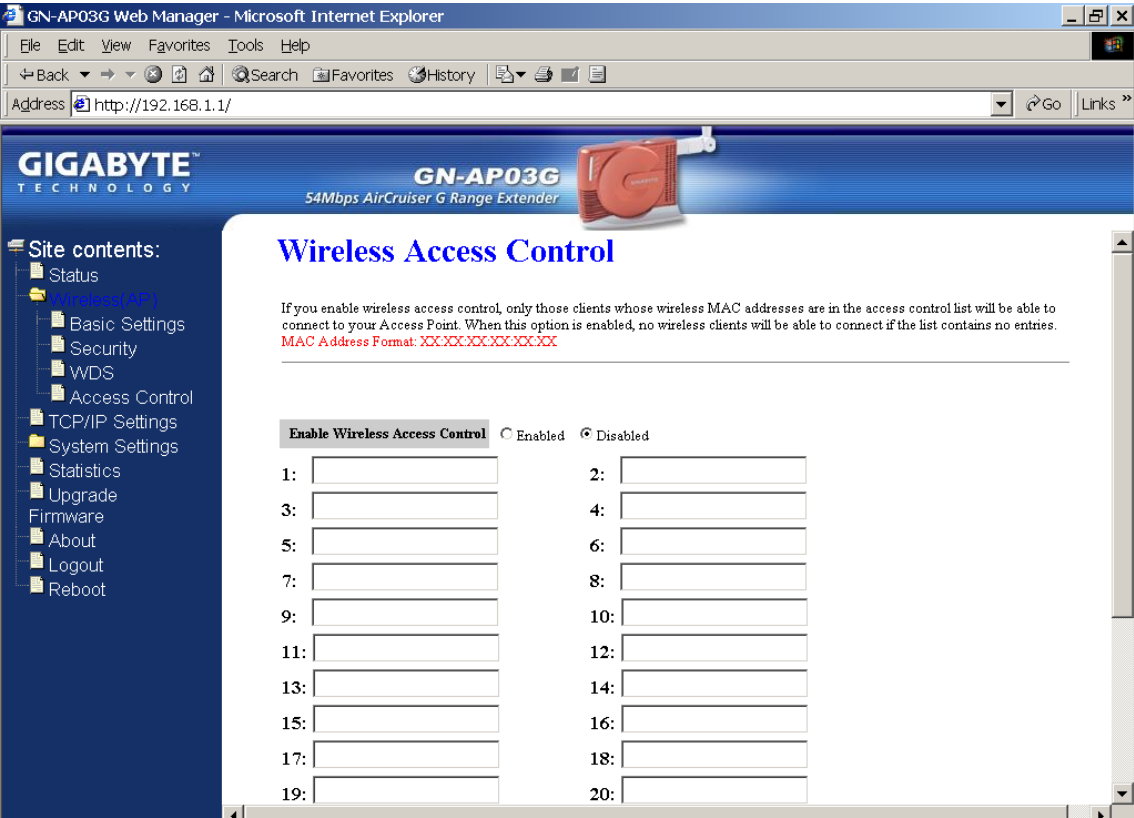
The WDS function allows several of the access points to compose a wide Wireless LAN network. Please note all APs must be set to use the same channel and the SSID of all participating APs must also be the same.



WDS technologies between AP manufacturers vary widely, so you may not be able to establish WDS between APs from different brands.

Wireless Access Control

You may specify users based on their MAC addresses that are authorized to connect to the AP. Only computers listed in the table can connect to AP when this function is enabled.



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TCP/IP Settings

You may set up IP parameters for APs through TCP/IP setting screen.

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LAN Interface Setup

This page is used to configure the parameters for local area network which connects to the LAN port of your Access Point. Here you may change the setting for IP address, subnet mask, DHCP, etc..

DHCP Mode: Disabled

IP Address: 192.168.1.1

Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0

Default Gateway: 192.168.1.254

DHCP Client Range: 192.168.1.2 192.168.1.253

Apply Changes Reset

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DHCP Mode

Three (3) options are available: "Disabled", "Client Enabled", "Server Enabled". The default value is "Server Enabled".

If you want to obtain IP addresses from a DHCP server, select "**Client Enabled**". To use an AP as a DHCP server and assign a dynamic IP address automatically on the network, select "**Server Enabled**".

IP Address

Assign an IP address to the AP with this option. The default IP address is 192.168.1.1. Please make sure the assigned IP address is exclusive for the AP.

Subnet Mask

Assign a Subnet Mask for an AP. The default Subnet Mask is 255.255.255.0.

Default Gateway

Enter the IP address for the default router. The default gateway is 192.168.1.254.

DHCP Client Range

When "Server Enabled" is selected, please enter the range of your IP addresses.

System Settings-Password Setup

Here you can set up administrator's user name and password to protect administrative access to the AP. Key in a password and confirm, then press Apply Changes. Note, if you leave the password fields blank, password feature is disabled.

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Password Setup

This page is used to set the account of supervisor to access the web manager.

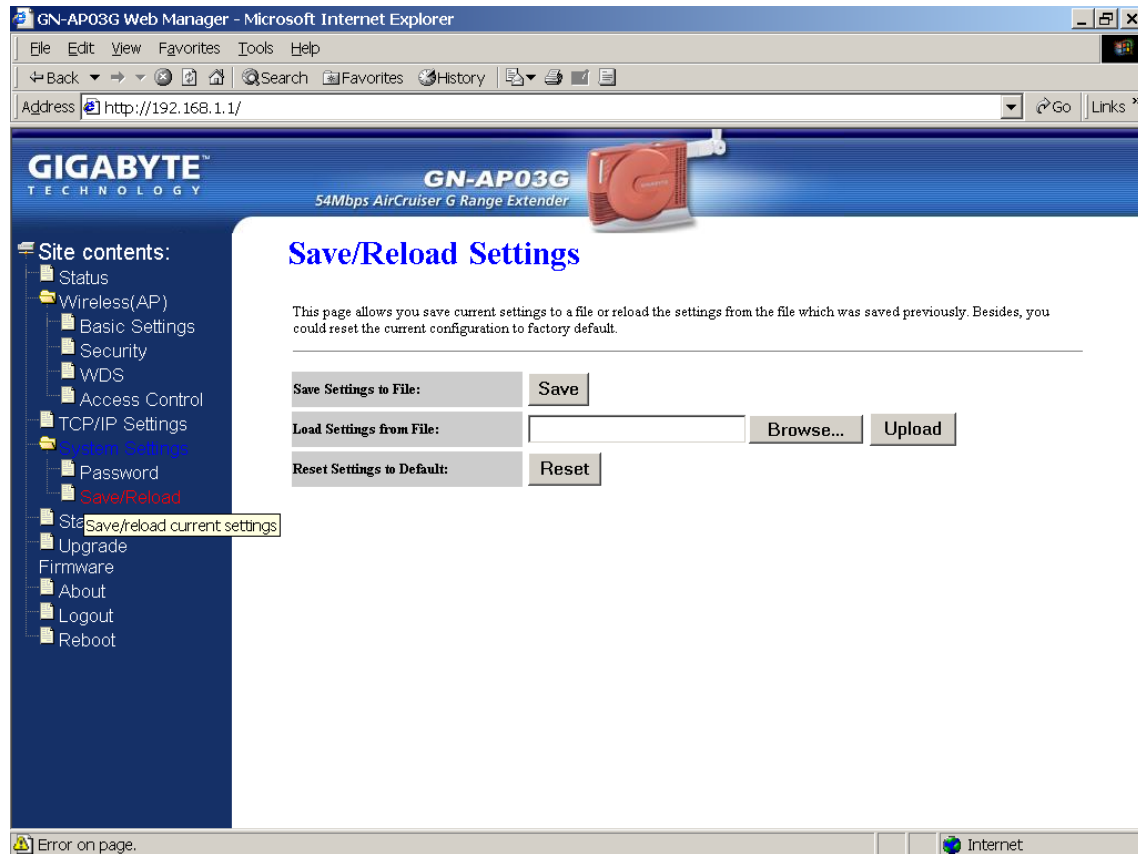
Account:	<input type="text" value="admin"/>
Password:	<input type="password"/>
Confirmed Password:	<input type="password"/>

Done Internet

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System Settings-Save/Reload Settings

You may save the current configuration as a file for restoring configuration in the future. You may press "Reset" to restore to factory default.



Statistics

Statistics shows you the packets flow status on the wireless LAN and Ethernet.

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Statistics

This page shows the packet counters for transmission and reception regarding to wireless and Ethernet networks.

Wireless LAN(Card1)	Sent Packets	472
	Received Packet	967
Ethernet LAN	Sent Packets	738
	Received Packets	580

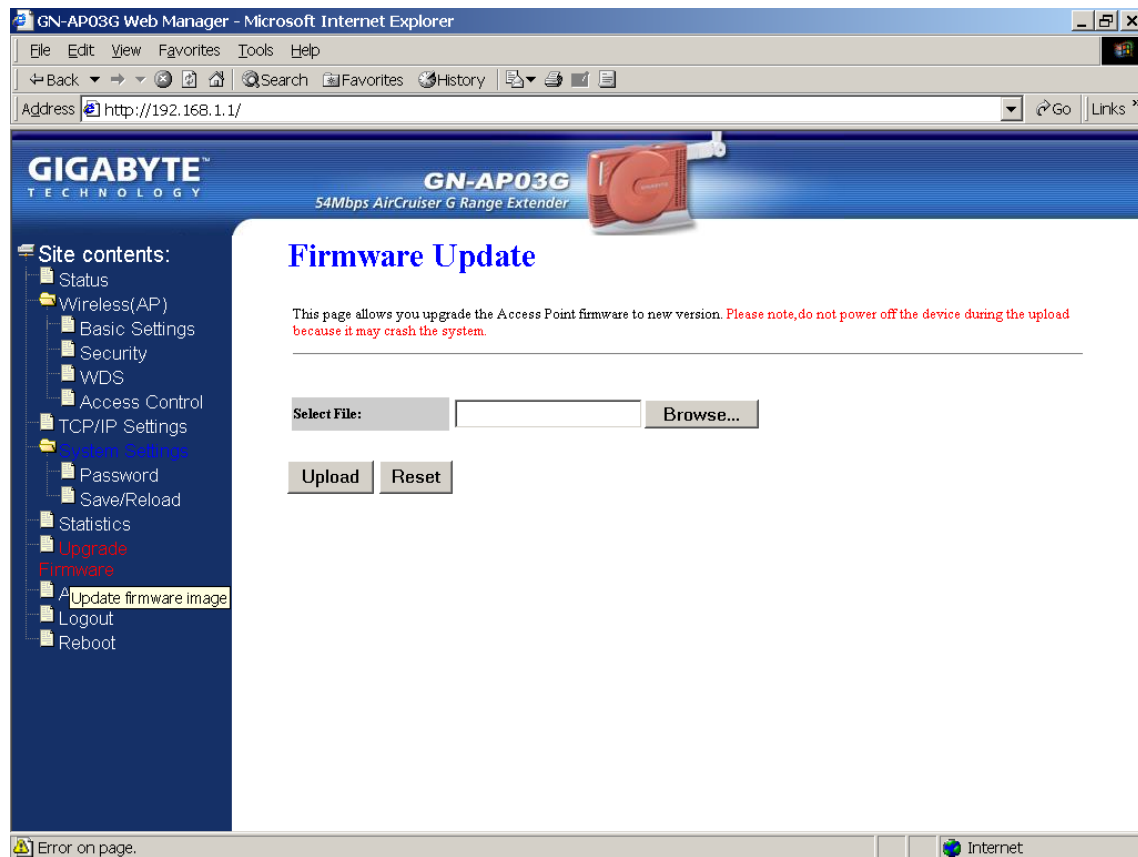
Refresh

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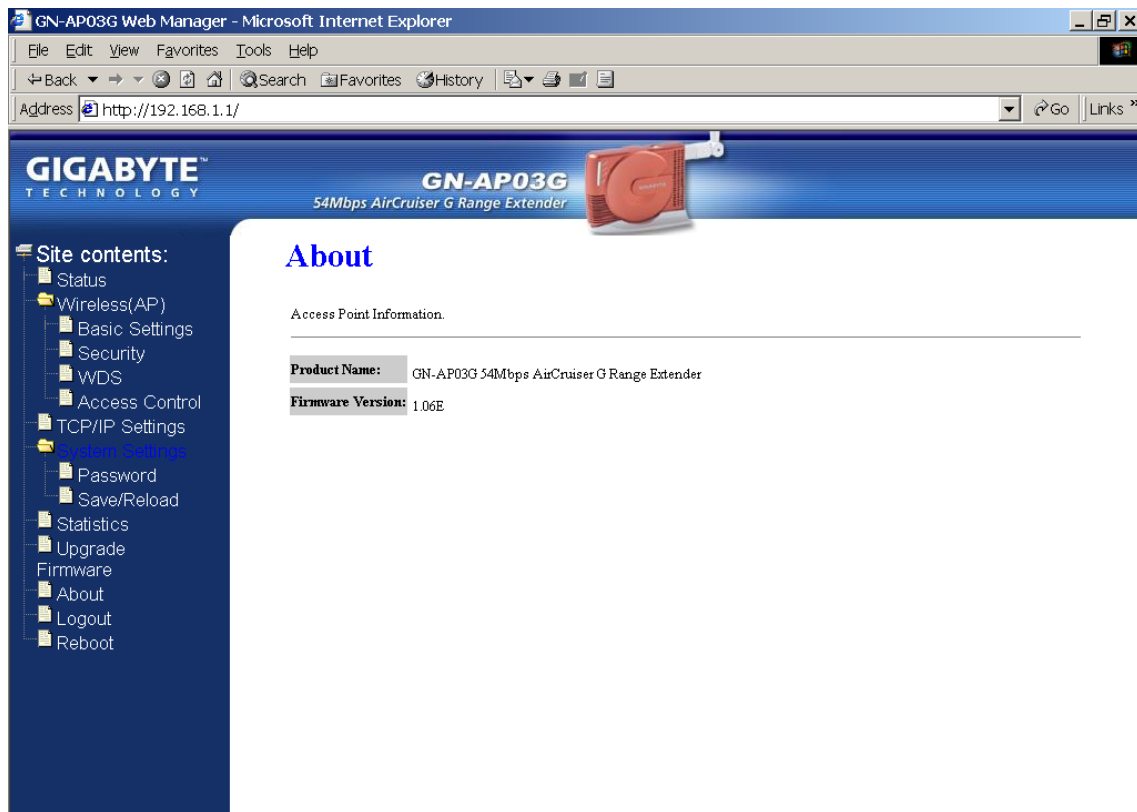
Upgrade Firmware

Upgrade the firmware with the latest firmware version available for download from the GIGABYTE website.



About

View firmware information.



Logout

Logout from the configuration webpage when finished setup.

Reboot

Reboot the GN-AP03G. The system may take up to 30 seconds to save your settings, please allow the system to reboot itself.

Chapter 4 Troubleshooting

This chapter gives information about troubleshooting your AirCruiser G Range Extender. Read the descriptions below for assistance in diagnosing and solving the problem.

Q: What to do if you forget your password or forget the IP address of the Range Extender?

A: Please press and hold for 5 seconds the “init” button at the bottom of the Range Extender. The Access Point will be reset to the factory default values, and the password will be restored to factory default.

Q: I am unable to connect to the Internet.

- A:**
1. Confirm that the power cord is connected properly and the Range Extender’s power LED is correctly lit.
 2. Check whether all of the settings described in this manual are correctly set.
 3. Verify that your ADSL/Cable Modem is operating normally, and/or you have ISP service available.
 4. Check that your network cable is connected correctly, and the LED status is normal.

Q: I am unable to access the Range Extender’s Web Configuration Interface.

- A:**
1. Please check the Ethernet connection (RJ-45 LAN cable) between the PC and the Range Extender is properly connected.
 2. Make sure your computer’s IP address is on the same subnet as the Range Extender. (Check this by typing “ipconfig /all” from a DOS command prompt)
 3. Make sure you are carefully typing the correct IP address of the Range Extender in the address bar of your web browser. The IP address of your Range Extender is the “Gateway” address you see when you run the “ipconfig /all” command.
 4. Try initializing your router to factory settings.

Q: What is the IEEE 802.11b standard?

A: It is also referred to as 802.11 High Rate or Wi-Fi. It is an expansion to 802.11 that applies to wireless LAN and provides 11 Mbps transmission (with a fallback to 5.5, 2 and 1 Mbps) in the 2.4 GHz band. The 802.11b uses only Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS). The 802.11b was a 1999 ratification to the original 802.11 standard, allowing wireless functionality comparable to Ethernet.

Q: What is WEP?

A: Wired Equivalent Privacy (WEP). A security mechanism defined within the 802.11 standard and designed to make the link integrity of the wireless medium equal to wired cable.

Q: What is the IEEE 802.11g standard?

A: IEEE 802.11g standard specifies data rates of up to 54 Mbps in the 2.45-GHz band. It uses Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing (OFDM), which is the mandatory provisions have been made within the standard to make it inherently compatible with the well-established 802.11b standard at 11 Mbps, which uses Complementary Code Keying (CCK) modulation. Both .11g and .11b can operate at ranges of up to 300 feet.

Appendix A: Glossary

10BaseT

10BaseT is the most common cabling method in Ethernet. 10BaseT conforms to IEEE standard 802.3. It was developed to enable data communications over unshielded twisted pair (telephone) wiring at speeds of up to 10 megabits per second up to distances of approximately 330 feet on a network segment.

802.11

A group of wireless networking standards, also known as Wi-Fi, set by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE).

802.1X

A standard for port-based authentication, first used in wired networks, that was adapted for use in enterprise WLANs to address security flaws in WEP, the original security specification for 802.11 networks. 802.1X provides a framework for authenticating users and controlling their access to a protected network and dynamic encryption keys to protect data privacy.

Access Point

An Access Point is a wired controller that sends data to the wireless NIC's installed in your network computers, and received data back from them. An Access Point is often connected to the network computer that has Internet access, or is directly connected to an ADSL or cable modem.

Ad-Hoc mode

An old term used to describe a device-to-device network. (See device-to-device network, peer-to-peer network).

ADSL

Asymmetric digital subscriber line (ADSL) is a new modem technology that converts existing twisted-pair telephone lines into access paths for high-speed communication of various sorts.

AES

Advanced Encryption Standard. The preferred standard for the encryption of commercial and government data using a symmetric block data encryption technique. It is used in the implementation of WPA2.

Auto-MDI/MDIX

On a network hub or switch, an auto-MDI/MDIX port automatically senses if it needs to act as a MDI or MDIX port. The auto-MDI/MDIX capability eliminates the need for crossover cables.

Auto-negotiate

Automatically determine the correct setting. The term is often used with communications and networking.

Bridge

A wireless device that connects multiple networks together.

BSSID

Basic Service Set Identifier. A unique address that identifies the access point/router that creates the wireless network.

Channel

One portion of the available radio spectrum used for all devices on a wireless network to communicate. Changing the channel on the access point/router can help reduce interference.

Client

Any computer connected to a network that requests files and services (files, print capability) from the server or other devices on the network. The term also refers to end-users.

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Client devices

Wi-Fi client devices include PC Cards that slide into laptop computers, mini-PCI modules embedded in laptop computers and mobile computing devices, as well as USB radios and PCI/ISA bus Wi-Fi radios. Client devices usually communicate with hub devices like access points and gateways.

DHCP

The Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) is an Internet protocol for automating the configuration of computers that use TCP/IP. DHCP can be used to automatically assign IP addresses, to deliver TCP/IP stack configuration parameters such as the subnet mask and default router, and to provide other configuration information such as the addresses for printer, time and news servers.

DSSS

Also known as "Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum," this is a variety of radio transmission methods that continuously change frequencies or signal patterns. Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS), which is used in CDMA technology, multiplies the data bits by a very fast, pseudo-random bit pattern (PN sequence) that "spreads" the data into a large coded stream that takes the full bandwidth of the channel.

DNS

The Domain Name System (DNS) is a distributed Internet directory service. DNS is used mostly to translate between domain names and IP addresses, and to control Internet email delivery. Most Internet services rely on DNS to work, and if DNS fails, web sites cannot be located and email delivery stalls.

Dynamic IP Address

An IP address is automatically assigned to a user's AP in a TCP/IP network typically by a DHCP server.

EAP

Extensible Authentication Protocol. A protocol provides an authentication framework for both wireless and wired Ethernet enterprise networks. It is typically used with a RADIUS server to authenticate users on large networks. EAP protocol types are used in the 802.1X-based authentication in WPA-Enterprise and WPA2-Enterprise.

Encryption

A mechanism used for confidential data exchange.

Ethernet

The most popular international standard technology for wired Local Area Networks (LANs). It provides from 10 Mbps transmission speeds on basic 10BaseT Ethernet networks to 100 Mbps transmission speeds on Fast Ethernet networks, 1000 Mbps on Gigabit Ethernet, and 10,000 Mbps on 10 Gigabit Ethernet.

Firewall

A system designed to prevent unauthorized access to or from a private network. Firewalls can be implemented in both hardware and software, or a combination of both. Firewalls are frequently used to prevent unauthorized Internet users from accessing private networks connected to the Internet, especially intranets. All messages entering or leaving the intranet pass through the firewall, which examines each message and blocks those that do not meet the specified security criteria.

Firmware

Software routines that are embedded as read-only memory (ROM) in a computer chip or hardware device to prevent modification of the routines. Unlike random access memory (RAM), read-only memory stays intact in the absence of electrical power. Startup routines and low-level input/output instructions are stored in firmware.

Gateway

A device, usually a Router, that connects hosts on a local network to other networks.

Infrastructure mode

An old term used to describe a wireless network consisting of devices connected to a network using a centralized wireless access point. One of two types of wireless network modes; the other is a device-to-device network (also known as peer-to-peer or ad hoc mode).

IP Address

Every PC on the Internet has a fixed identifying number, called a IP Address. A typical IP address looks like this: 216.27.61.137

LAN

A system of connecting PCs and other devices within the same physical proximity for sharing resources such as an Internet connections, printers, files and drives. When Wi-Fi is used to connect the devices, the system is known as a wireless LAN or WLAN.

MAC Address

On a local area network (LAN) or other network, the MAC (Media Access Control) address is your computer's fixed hardware number. Usually written as: 01:23:45:67:89:ab

Ping (Packet Internet Groper)

A utility to determine whether a specific IP address is accessible. It works by sending a packet to the specified address and waiting for a reply. PING is used primarily to troubleshoot Internet connections.

RADIUS

Remote Access Dial-Up User Service. A standard technology used by many major corporations to protect access to wireless networks. RADIUS is a user name and password scheme that enables only approved users to access the network; it does not affect or encrypt data. The first time a user wants access to the network, secure files or net locations, he or she must input his or her name and password and submit it over the network to the RADIUS server. The server then verifies that the individual has an account and, if so, ensures that the person uses the correct password before she or he can get on the network. RADIUS can be set up to provide different access levels or classes of access. For example, one level can provide blanket access to the Internet; another can provide access to the Internet as well as to e-mail communications; yet another account class can provide access to the Net, email and the secure business file server. Like other sophisticated security technologies, RADIUS comes in a variety of types and levels.

RJ-45

Standard connectors used in Ethernet networks. They appear similar to standard RJ-11 telephone connectors. However, RJ-45 connectors can have up to eight wires, whereas telephone connectors have only four.

Roaming

The ability to move seamlessly from one area of Wi-Fi or cellular phone coverage to another with no loss in connectivity. Roaming also refers to the ability of road warriors to wirelessly connect to the Internet from different hotspots without confronting the array of schemes used by different providers to authorize use and track billing. Roaming agreements among providers allow mobile professionals to a single authentication and authorization scheme to have all charges resolved to a single bill.

Router

A device that forwards data packets along networks. A router is connected to at least two networks, commonly two LANs or WANs or a LAN and its ISP network. Routers are located at gateways, the places where two or more networks connect.

Server

A computer that provides resources or services to other computers and devices on a network. Types of servers can include print servers, Internet servers, mail servers, and DHCP servers. A server can also be combined with a hub or router.

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Site survey

A comprehensive facility study performed by network managers to insure that planned service levels will be met when a new wireless LAN, or additional WLAN segments to an existing network, are deployed. Site survey's are usually performed by a radio frequency engineer and used by systems integrators to identify the optimum placements of access points to insure that planned levels of service are met. Site surveys are sometimes conducted following the deployment to insure that the WLAN is achieving the necessary level of coverage. Site surveys can also be used to detect rogue access points.

SSID

The SSID is the name represents the routers and Access Point in wireless network.

Subnet Mask

A mask used to determine which subnet a IP address belongs to. An IP address has two components, the network address and the host address. Subnetting enables the network administrator to further divide the host part of the address into two or more subnets.

Switch

A type of hub that controls device usage to prevent data collisions and insures optimal network performance. A switch acts as a network traffic cop: Rather than transmitting all the packets it receives to all ports, as a hub does, a switch transmits packets to only the receiving port.

TCP/IP

TCP/IP (Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol), the suite of communications protocols used to connect hosts on the Internet.

TKIP

Temporal Key Integrity Protocol. The wireless security encryption mechanism in Wi-Fi Protected Access. TKIP uses a key hierarchy and key management methodology that removes the predictability that intruders relied upon to exploit the WEP key. It increases the size of the key from 40 to 128 bits and replaces WEP's single static key with keys that are dynamically generated and distributed by an authentication server, providing some 500 trillion possible keys that can be used on a given data packet. It also includes a Message Integrity Check (MIC), designed to prevent an attacker from capturing data packets, altering them and resending them. By greatly expanding the size of keys, the number of keys in use, and by creating an integrity checking mechanism, TKIP magnifies the complexity and difficulty involved in decoding data on a Wi-Fi network. TKIP greatly increases the strength and complexity of wireless encryption, making it far more difficult—if not impossible—for a would-be intruder to break into a Wi-Fi network.

USB

A high-speed bidirectional serial connection between a PC used to transfer data between the computer and peripherals such as digital cameras and memory cards. The USB 2.0 specification, announced in 2000, provides a data rate of up to 480 Mbps, 40 times faster than the original specification which provided only 12 Mbps.

WAN

Wide Area Network, a communication network that covers a relatively broad geographic area, consisting of two or more LANs. Broadband communication over the WAN is often through public networks such as the ADSL or Cable systems, or through leased lines or satellites. To simplify it, please image network as a WAN.

WEP

WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy) is a data privacy mechanism based on a 64/128-bit shared key algorithm, as described in the IEEE 802.11 standard.

Appendix B: Specifications

Physical Interface

The Wireless Range Extender includes one Ethernet LAN port, one Initialize button and one antenna.

Item	Contents	Description
1.	Ethernet port	10/100Mbps Ethernet RJ-45 with auto-sensing and auto MDI/MDIX
2.	Q-Link button (Auto configuration button)	Automatically select one AP to link up for expanding the coverage
3.	Init button	Device reset (Init to factory default)
4.	Wireless antenna	External, 3dBi
5.	Power adaptor	7.5V, 800mA

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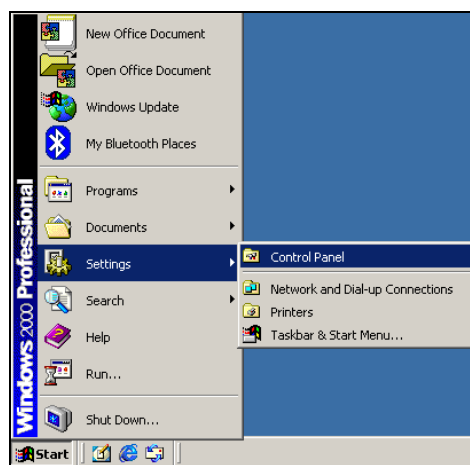
System	
CPU, Flash and SDRAM Size	RDC R2600, 1MB Flash, 8MB SDRAM
Standards	IEEE 802.3 (10BaseT), IEEE 802.3u (100BaseTX), IEEE 802.11b/g (Wireless)
Operating Range	Wireless - Open space: 100 – 300m; Indoor: 30 - 100m
Power Consumption	7.5V, 470mA max.
RF – 802.11g (backwards compatible to 802.11b)	
Frequency Band	2412 ~ 2484 MHz (subject to local regulation)
Modulation Technology	OFDM and DSSS
Modulation Techniques	64QAM, 16QAM, QPSK, BPSK, DBPSK, DQPSK, CCK
Data Rates	54, 48, 36, 24, 18, 12, 11, 9, 6, 5.5, 2, 1 Mbps, auto fallback
Output power	20dBm Peak Power@ 54Mbps, Nominal Temp Range 20dBm Peak Power@ 11Mbps, Nominal Temp Range
Receive Sensitivity	Better than -68dBm; typical -71dBm @54Mbps, Nominal Temp Range Better than -83dBm; typical -85dBm @11Mbps, Nominal Temp Range
Antenna	External Antenna 3dBi
Regulatory and Environmental Compliance	
EMC certification	FCC part 15 (USA) CE (Europe)
Temperature Range	Operating: 0 ~ 40 degree C, Storage: -20 ~ 65 degree C
Humidity	10% ~ 85% Non-condensing
Mechanical	
Packaging	Generic, GIGABYTE, private labeling optional
LED indicator	Power/Status LED (Dual Color, Green/Red) Wireless LED (Green) Ethernet Port LED (Green) Auto Link LED (Dual Color, Green/Red)
Weight	80g (include Antenna)
Dimensions	88.34mm x 63.46mm x 21mm

Appendix C: PC Configuration

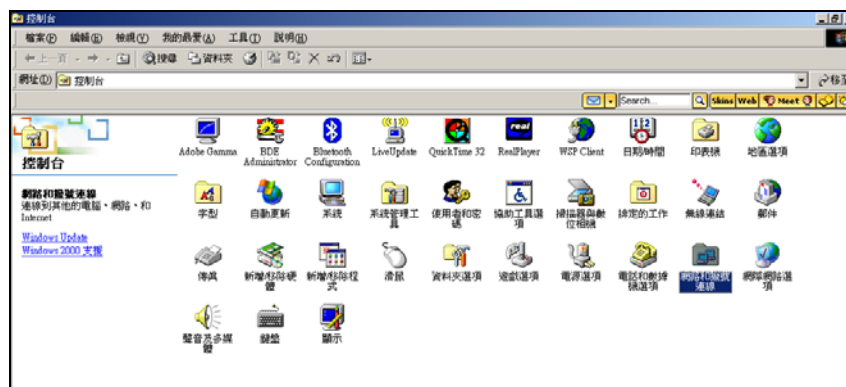
To connect to the RANGE EXTENDER, your computer needs to be located in the same Subnet as the RANGE EXTENDER. Please follow the instructions given to setup in a TCP/IP network environment. By default, Windows 98, Me, 2000 and XP already have TCP/IP installed. If you have not installed the TCP/IP communication Protocol, please install it now, and then select your operating system for the setup.

TCP/IP Settings Under Windows 2000

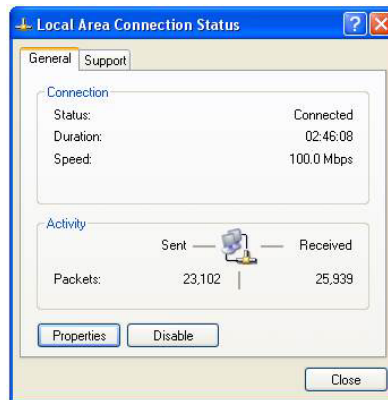
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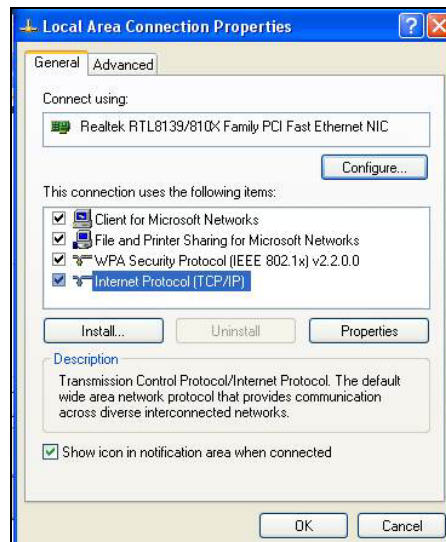
Step 2. Double-click the **Network and Dial-up Connection** icon.



Step 3. Double-click the **“LAN CONNECTION”** and click the **“Properties”** button.

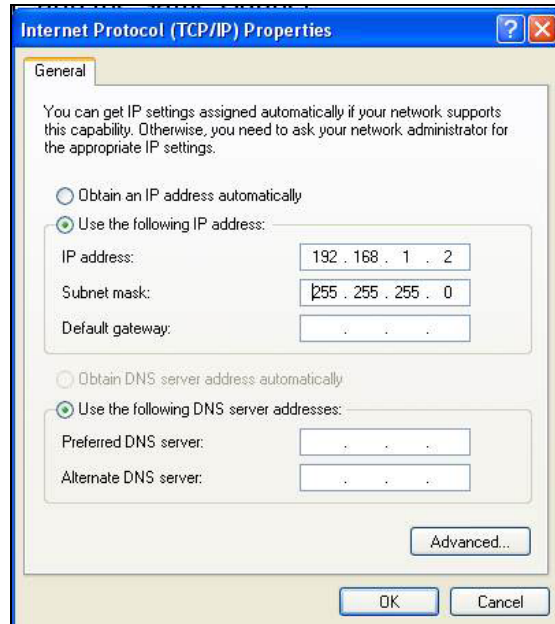


Step 4. The **“Local Area Connection Properties”** dialog box will appear. Verify that the Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) item is checked. Then double-click on **Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)**.



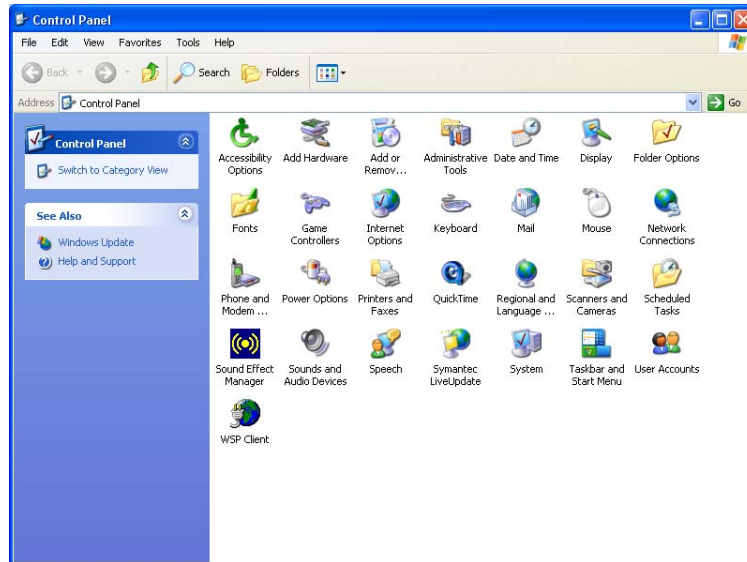
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- Step 5. Assign the static IP address used by the RANGE EXTENDER and the same Subnet Mask to the computer (For example, IP address is 192.168.1.2 and Subnet Mask is 255.255.255.0), click the “OK” button to return to Local Area Connection Properties. Click the “OK” button again to complete the PC configuration.

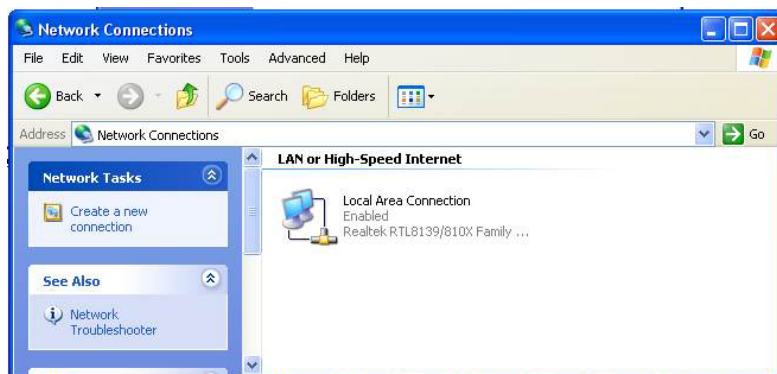


TCP/IP Settings under Windows XP

- Step 1. Click the **“Start”** in the desktop of the Windows to select **“Settings”**, and then select the **“Control Panel”**.

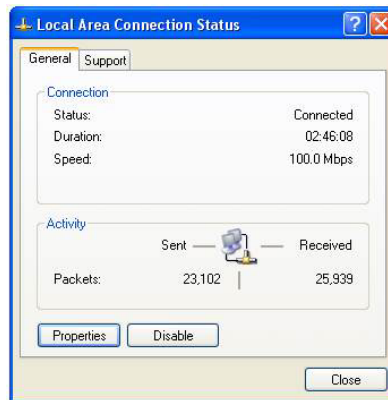


- Step 2. Double-click the **“Network Connections”** icon.

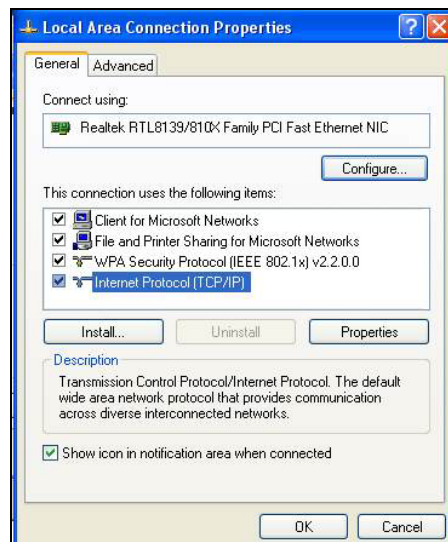


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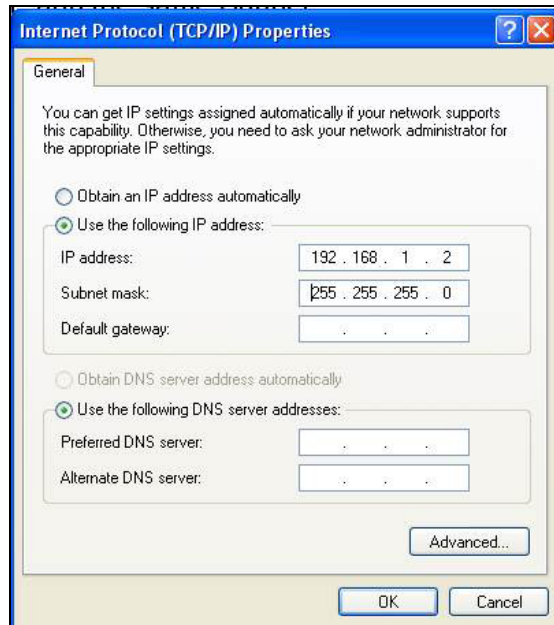


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