

Telit Easy Scan® User Guide

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APPLICABILITY TABLE

	SW Versions
GC Family (Compact)	
GC864-QUAD	
GC864-QUAD V2	
GC864-DUAL V2	
GE/GL Family (Embedded)	
GE864-QUAD	
GE864-QUAD V2	
GE864-QUAD Automotive V2	10.00.xx7
GE864-QUAD ATEX	
GE864-DUAL V2	
GE864-GPS	
GE865-QUAD	
GL865-DUAL	
GL865-QUAD	
GL868-DUAL	
GE910-QUAD	13.00.xx3
GL865-DUAL V3	16.00.xx2
GL868-DUAL V3	
GT Family (Terminal)	
GT863-PY	10.00.xx7
GT864-QUAD	
GT864-PY	

Note: the present document covers the SW versions shown in the Applicability Table and may mention features which are not present or behave differently in previous SW versions.



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1.4. Related Documents

[1]	Telit AT Commands Reference Guide, code: 80000ST10025a
[2]	Telit Modules Software User Guide, code: 1vv0300784
[3]	Telit EVK2 User Guide, code: 1vv0300704
[4]	Telit GE865-QUAD Hardware User Guide, code: 1vv0300799
[5]	ETSI, 45.002
[6]	ETSI, 45.008
[7]	ETSI, 23.122
[8]	ETSI, 44.018
[9]	ETSI, 44.060
[10]	ETSI, 23.060
[11]	ETSI, 24.008
[12]	ETSI, 45.005

1.5. Document History

Revision	Date	Changes
0	2011-12-19	First issue
1	2013-04-16	Updated Applicability Table

1.6. Abbreviation and acronyms

DTE	Data Terminal Equipment
NVM	Non Volatile Memory



2. Easy Scan®

Easy Scan® is a Telit registered trademark that identifies a feature provided by Telit modules. Easy Scan® feature is performed by a low-level software (running on Telit modules) controlling the Network Survey activities required by the user. Easy Scan® feature provides the user with a large number of network measurements results.

Telit modules are used in applications like: alarm system, remote meter reading, remote meteorological station, etc. These types of installations require the best choice of the radio frequencies resources present on the air in the area. Both signals strength and services furnished by the local Service Providers shall be evaluated.

The Easy Scan® objective is to provide a function to analyze the required resources available in the area.

NOTICE: *it is worth noting that the Network Survey is a very invasive activity. It requires very low level module operations that monopolise the hardware resources of the module slowing down its regular activities. For these reasons the Easy Scan® feature should be used with no SIM inserted into the module. In this mode the module can operate only emergency call and the main activities like paging, registration, etc are not running. Of course, the module stays in this mode only the time necessary to perform the required measurements.*

To describe the entire set of functionalities it is useful to introduce a “Easy Scan® evaluation bench” in order to run the required AT commands to interface the Easy Scan® feature and evaluate the relating responses. The figure below shows an example of “evaluation bench” accomplished by means of a GE865-QUAD module [4].

Referring to fig. 1: let’s assume the selected module is installed (soldered, in the case of GE865-QUAD) on its interface board [3] and the last one plugged into Telit evaluation board [3]. The Modem Serial Port is connected to a DTE running, for example, a hyper terminal session.

After getting ready the “bench”, we can start the operations.

NOTICE: *don’t insert the SIM and power the module on.*



3.1. AT#CSURV

Power the module on. The module runs the configuration setting present on NVM memory. After a power on, the portion of the configuration setting concerning the Easy Scan® AT Commands corresponds to the factory setting configuration.

Issue the command below to check which bands are supported by the used module¹:

```
AT#BND=?
#BND: (0-3)
OK
```

Where:

- 0 - GSM 900MHz + DCS 1800MHz;
- 1 - GSM 900MHz + PCS 1900MHz;
- 2 - GSM 850MHz + DCS 1800MHz;
- 3 - GSM 850MHz + PCS 1900MHz;

Check if the module is in auto-band mode.

```
AT#AUTOBND?
#AUTOBND: 2           the module is in auto-band mode, factory setting.
OK
```

NOTICE: *in auto-band mode, the module selects the band in accordance with the frequencies available on the air. E.g.: in Europe the module will select band 0, in USA band 3.*

Issue the command below to cause the mobile to exit auto-band mode. This setting is automatically stored on NVM memory, and used on the next power on.

```
AT#AUTOBND=0
OK
```

Issue the command below to cause the mobile to camp on a frequency belonging to band 0. This setting is automatically stored on NVM memory, and used on the next power on.

```
AT#BND=0
OK
```

NOTICE: *if the module is powered down the two last settings aren't lost.*

¹ GE865-QUAD, refer to fig. 1.



<cellStatus>	<p>cell status [6], [7], string type:</p> <p>CELL_SUITABLE: is a cell on which an MS may camp.</p> <p>CELL_LOW_PRIORITY: the cell has low priority.</p> <p>CELL_FORBIDDEN: the cell is forbidden.</p> <p>CELL_BARRED: the cell is barred.</p> <p>CELL_LOW_LEVEL: <rxLev> is low.</p> <p>CELL_OTHER: none of the above case.</p>
<numArfcn>	total number of the valid channels in the Cell Channel Description, expressed in decimal number, [8].
<arfcn(n)>	arfcn(n) belongs to the valid channel set reported in the Cell Channel Description, expressed in decimal number. (n) is in the range: 1 ÷ <numArfcn>.
<numChannels>	number of the valid channels in the BCCH Allocation list [8], expressed in decimal number. For output format refer to AT#CSURVEXT command, chapter 3.5.3.
<ba(n)>	is the arfcn of a valid channel in the BCCH Allocation list, expressed in decimal number. (n) is in the range: 1 ÷ <numChannels>. For output format refer to AT#CSURVEXT command, chapter 3.5.3.

The following parameters are relating to the GPRS service. The measurements are displayed if #CSURVEXT=2 and GPRS service is present, refer to chapter 3.5.3.

<pbccch>	<p>packet broadcast control channel, [5]:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 0: pbccch not activated on the cell - 1: pbccch activated on the cell
<nom>	network operation mode, value range: 1÷3; [8], [9], [10].
<rac>	routing area code, value range: 0÷255; [8], [9], [11].
<spgc>	<p>SPLIT_PG_CYCLE [6], [8], [9]:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 - SPLIT_PG_CYCLE is not supported on CCCH on this cell 1 - SPLIT_PG_CYCLE is supported on CCCH on this cell
<pat>	priority access threshold: 0,3..6; [8], [9].
<nco>	network control order 0..2; [8], [9].
<t3168>	timer 3168; [8], [9].
<t3192>	timer 3192; [8], [9].
<drxmax>	discontinuous reception max time (in seconds); [8], [9].
<ctrlAck>	packed control ack ; [8], [9].
<bsCVmax>	blocked sequence countdown max value; [8], [9].
<alpha>	alpha parameter for power control, [6], [8], [9].
<pcMeasCh>	type of channel which shall be used for downlink measurements for power control: 0 – BCCH, 1 – PDCH, [6], [8], [9].



Measurements legend concerning no BCCH Carriers:

arfcn: <arfcn> rxLev: <rxLev>

where:

<arfcn> RF channel, [5], [12].

<rxLev> reception level (in dBm), [6].



3.1.1. AT#CSURVC (Numeric Format)

The AT#CSURVC=[<s>,<e>] command can be easily explained and understood with a comparison with the AT#CSURV command response. Let's suppose the initial configuration is that showed on chapter 3.1.

Enter the AT#CSURV command to get information concerning only the arfcn=9.

AT#CSURV=9,9

```
Network survey started ...
arfcn: 9 bsic: 17 rxLev: -83 ber: 0.00 mcc: 222 mnc: 01 lac: 54717 cellId: 21093
cellStatus: CELL_SUITABLE numArfcn: 3 arfcn: 9 31 1019 numChannels: 12 array: 2
4 5 6 7 10 11 12 13 18 19 28
Network survey ended
```

OK

The two parameters of the AT#CSURVC=[<s>,<e>] execution command represent the starting/ending channels of the Network Survey activity. Enter the AT#CSURVC command to get information concerning only the arfcn=9.

AT#CSURVC=9,9

```
Network survey started ...
9,17,-90,0.00,222,01,54717,21093,0,3,9 31 1019,12,2 4 5 6 7 10 11 12 13 18 19 28
Network survey ended
```

OK

The reader, from the comparison of the responses of the two commands, may infer that the result of the second command doesn't reports the parameters names and the strings values are changed in numerical values, e.g.: CELL_SUITABLE is changed in 0.

NOTICE: *the meanings of the numerical values returned by the command are recognized by a user application through their positions inside the response text.*




```

arfcn: 27 rxLev: -82

arfcn: 31 rxLev: -82

arfcn: 102 bsic: 63 rxLev: -82 ber: 0.00 mcc: 222 mnc: 88 lac: 22010 cellId: 473
7 cellStatus: CELL_FORBIDDEN numArfcn: 2 arfcn: 115 123

arfcn: 78 bsic: 53 rxLev: -83 ber: 0.00 mcc: 222 mnc: 10 lac: 20060 cellId: 3910
2 cellStatus: CELL_FORBIDDEN numArfcn: 2 arfcn: 39 78

arfcn: 47 bsic: 50 rxLev: -83 ber: 0.00 mcc: 222 mnc: 10 lac: 20060 cellId: 1757
2 cellStatus: CELL_FORBIDDEN numArfcn: 3 arfcn: 47 53 56

arfcn: 41 bsic: 26 rxLev: -83 ber: 0.00 mcc: 293 mnc: 40 lac: 621 cellId: 40171
cellStatus: CELL_OTHER numArfcn: 24 arfcn: 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 3
4 35 36 37 38 39 41 58 59 60 61 62

arfcn: 13 rxLev: -83

arfcn: 107 bsic: 58 rxLev: -84 ber: 0.00 mcc: 222 mnc: 88 lac: 22010 cellId: 475
9 cellStatus: CELL_FORBIDDEN numArfcn: 2 arfcn: 113 117

arfcn: 96 bsic: 62 rxLev: -85 ber: 0.00 mcc: 222 mnc: 88 lac: 22010 cellId: 4843
cellStatus: CELL_FORBIDDEN numArfcn: 2 arfcn: 116 119

arfcn: 67 rxLev: -85

arfcn: 75 rxLev: -86

arfcn: 7 bsic: 18 rxLev: -86 ber: 0.00 mcc: 222 mnc: 01 lac: 54717 cellId: 21007
cellStatus: CELL_SUITABLE numArfcn: 3 arfcn: 7 13 27 numChannels: 16 array: 2 3
4 5 6 8 9 11 12 14 15 16 17 19 21 32

Network survey ended

```

OK

NOTICE: *the Network Survey activity is stopped when the first BCCH carrier, belonging to the selected plmn, is detected.*



4. Appendix A: “GPRS”

To simulate the presence on the air of the pbccch [5] channel the following “Easy Scan® evaluation bench” has been arranged. In this case the module will not camp on a cell present on the air, but on a cell simulated by the Communication Test Set.

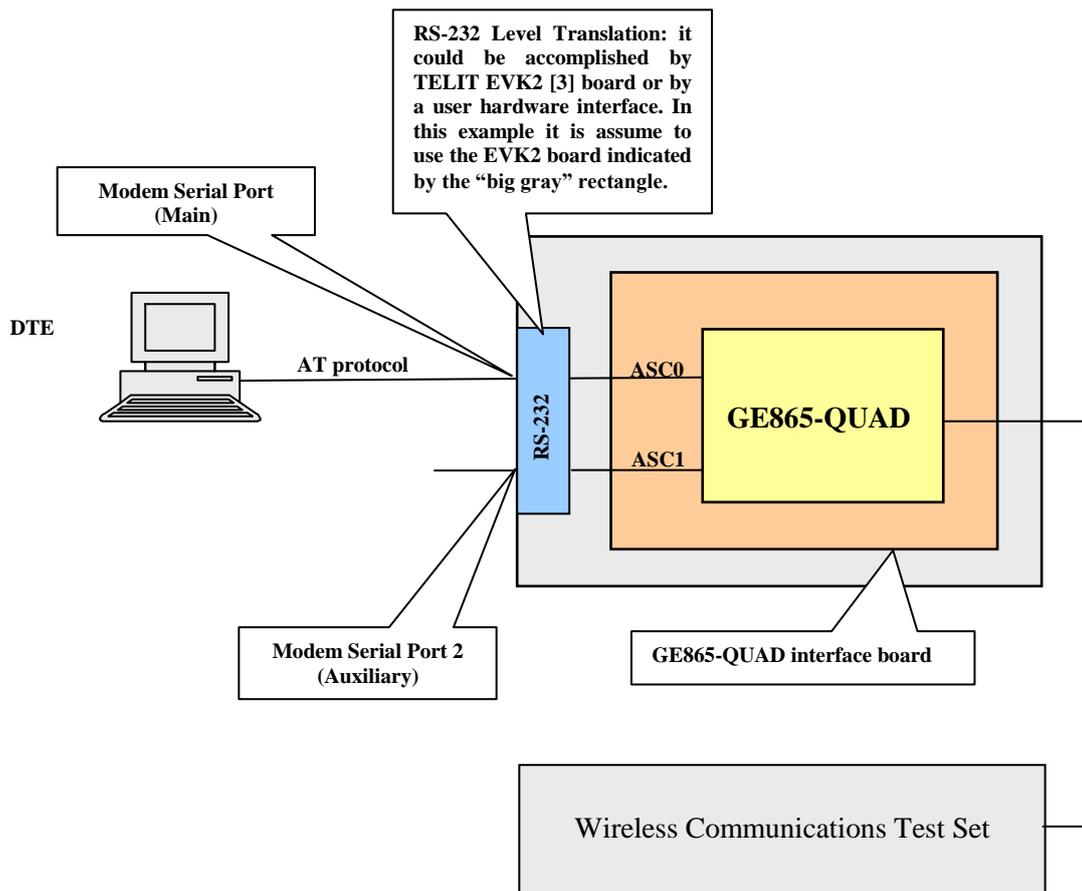


fig. 2: Easy Scan® evaluation Bench & PBCCH

After having configured the Communication Test Set to support the pbccch channel and a mcc mnc = 222 01, issue the following commands:



