

# GSM POP3 AT Command Set

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## 1 Introduction

Quectel Modules provide an internal TCP/UDP stack that is driven by AT commands and enables the host application to easily access the internet service. It includes TCP service, UDP service, HTTP service, FTP service, SMTP service and POP3 service, etc. This document is a reference guide to all the AT commands and responses defined for POP3 service.

This document is applicable to Quectel M35 and M50 modules.



# 2 Description

#### 2.1. AT Command syntax

Test Command	AT+ <x>=?</x>	This command returns the list of parameters and value ranges set by the corresponding Write Command or internal processes.
Read Command	AT+< <i>x</i> >?	This command returns the currently set value of the parameter or parameters.
Write Command	AT+ <x>=&lt;&gt;</x>	This command sets the user-definable parameter values.
Execution Command	AT+ <x></x>	This command reads non-variable parameters affected by internal processes in the GSM engine

### 2.2. Description of AT Command

#### 2.2.1. AT+QPOP3CFG POP3 Configurations

AT+QPOP3CFG POP3 Configura	ntions
Test Command	Response
AT+QPOP3CFG=?	+QPOP3CFG: <pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre>
	ОК
Read Command	Response
AT+QPOP3CFG?	+QPOP3CFG: <pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre>
	[+QPOP3CFG: <pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre>
	[]]
	OK
Write Command	Response
AT+QPOP3CFG= <pre>cproperty&gt;[,<value></value></pre>	If <value> is not null, and format is right, response</value>
]	ОК
	Else if <b><value></value></b> is null, and format is right, response
	+QPOP3CFG: <pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre>



	OK Otherwise response ERROR
Reference	

#### **Parameter**

"storage" The local storage where to save the Email downloaded from server.

It has three values.

RAM RAM file. This is the default storage

UFS UFS file in flash

SD SD file

"user" The user name for authentication. The maximum size is 50.

**"pwd"** The password for authentication. The maximum size is 50.

"server" Set the address and port of POP3 server. The address of server can

be IP address or domain name. The format is similar to

"192.168.1.1:110".

"timeout" The maximum time waited for data from server. If there is no any

data coming from server within timeout value, it will be timeout and return error code -9. The unit is second. The range is 1-300. The

default value is 90. This timeout value is useful for

AT+QPOP3IN/AT+QPOP3NUM/AT+QPOP3LIST/AT+QPOP3GET/

AT+QPOP3MDEL/AT+QPOP3RSET/AT+QPOP3OUT.

"RAM/maxFileSize" Set the maximum allowable Email size in RAM. This configuration is useful only when "storage" is RAM. The unit is byte.

The value cannot be larger than the free space of RAM. If it is 0, it means it will use the real mail size to create file in RAM. If it is larger than 0, it will use this value to create file in RAM. Normally, there is no need to configure this value, only when the mail size provided

from mail server is not reliable.

<value> The value o

The value of the property indicated by **<property>**.

#### NOTES

- 1. If **<value>** is null, AT+QPOP3CFG is used for getting the value of the **property>, otherwise is used for setting its value.**
- 2. "storage" can be saved through AT&W.



#### 2.2.2. AT+QPOP3IN Login the POP3 Server

AT+QPOP3IN Login the POP3 server		
Test Command	Response	
AT+QPOP3IN=?	ОК	
Execution Command	Response	
AT+QPOP3IN	If format is right, response	
	OK	
	+QPOP3: <result></result>	
	Otherwise response	
	ERROR	
Reference		

#### **Parameter**

<result></result>	A numeric to indicate the result to login the server. If it is 0, it means it is successful to
	login the server. If it is a negative numeric, it is the same as <err> (Please refer to the</err>
	chapter 3).

#### 2.2.3. AT+QPOP3NUM Get the Email Number and Total Size on POP3 Server

AT+QPOP3NUM Get the Email Number and Total Size on POP3 Server	
Test Command	Response
AT+QPOP3NUM=?	OK
Execution Command	Response
AT+QPOP3NUM	If format is right, response
	+QPOP3NUM: <num>,<size></size></num>
	OK
	Otherwise response
	ERROR
Reference	

#### **Parameter**

<num></num>	The Email number on the POP3 server.
<size></size>	Total size of all the Emails on POP3 server.



#### 2.2.4. AT+QPOP3LIST Get the Size of Every Email on Server

AT+QPOP3LIST Get the Size of Every Email on Server		
Test Command	Response	
AT+QPOP3LIST=?	ОК	
Write Command	Response	
AT+QPOP3LIST= <index></index>	If format is right, response	
	+QPOP3LIST: <index>,<size></size></index>	
	ок	
	Otherwise response	
	ERROR	
Execution Command	Response	
AT+QPOP3LIST	If format is right, response	
	CONNECT	
	<totalnum>,<totalsize></totalsize></totalnum>	
	[ <index>,<size></size></index>	
	[]]	
	+QPOP3LIST: <result></result>	
	ок	
	Otherwise response	
	ERROR	
Reference		

#### **Parameter**

<totalnum></totalnum>	The total number of Emails on POP3 server	
<totalsize></totalsize>	The total size of Emails on POP3 server	
<index></index>	The index of Email on server	
<size></size>	The size of Email	
<result></result>	A numeric to indicate the result to login the server. If it is 0, it means it is successful to list the Emails on server. If it is a negative numeric, it is the same as <b><err>&gt;</err></b> (Please refer to the chapter 3).	



#### **NOTES**

- 1. If <index> is not null, it will get the specific Email's size. And if <index> is null, it will list all the Email's size.
- In executive mode (AT+QPOP3LIST), if <totalNum> and <totalSize> are both 0, there are two situations. Firstly, there is no mail indeed. Secondly, the server does not support this command to get these total messages. If <totalNum> is greater than 0, but <totalSize> is 0, it means that current POP3 server only supports this command to get <totalNum>, does not support to get <totalSize>.

#### 2.2.5. AT+QPOP3GET Get the Specific Email Info on Server

AT+QPOP3GET Get the Specific Email Info on Server	
Test Command	Response
AT+QPOP3GET=?	+QPOP3GET: <index>,(0-2)</index>
	ок
Write Command	Response
AT+QPOP3GET= <index></index>	If <type> is 0 and format is right, response</type>
, <type></type>	+QPOP3GET: <data></data>
	ок
	Else if <type> is 1 and format is right, response</type>
	CONNECT
	<data></data>
	+QPOP3GET: <result></result>
	OK
	Else if <type> is 2 and format is right, response</type>
	+QPOP3GET: <result></result>
	ок
	Otherwise response
	ERROR
Reference	Litton
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#### **Parameter**

<index></index>	The index of Email on server
<type></type>	Which part of data will be get
	0 Get the UIDL of the specific Email



	<ul> <li>Get the header of the specific Email</li> <li>Download the specific Email to local folder</li> </ul>
<data></data>	The data of the part specified by <type>. If <type> is 2, <data> will be null.</data></type></type>
<result></result>	A numeric to indicate the result to get the data. If it is 0, it means it is successful to get the data on server. If it is a negative numeric, it is the same as <b><err>&gt;</err></b> (Please refer to the chapter 3).

#### **NOTES**

- 1. If <type> is 0, Data will output directly through UART in CMD Mode, and the data was already decoded.
- 2. If <type> is 1, Data will output directly through UART in Data Mode, and the data was already decoded.
- 3. And if the <type> is 2, it is used for downloading all the data of specific Email to local folder. These data will be saved to the storage refer to AT+QPOP3CFG="storage","...", and does not be output through UART. Mail data is stored in the root directory of the current storage, named "pop3.eml". If download new Email to the storage, old mail data will be deleted.

#### 2.2.6. AT+QPOP3MDEL Mark the Specific Email on Server to Delete

AT+QPOP3MDEL Mark the Specific Email on Server to Delete	
Test Command AT+QPOP3MDEL=?	Response +QPOP3MDEL: <index></index>
	ок
Write Command AT+QPOP3MDEL= <index></index>	Response  OK  ERROR
Reference	

#### **Parameter**

<index> The index of Email on server

#### **NOTE**

The Email marked as Delete will be deleted on server after AT+QPOP3OUT have been executed.



#### 2.2.7. AT+QPOP3RSET Unmark All the Emails that Marked as Delete on Server

AT+QPOP3RSET Unmark All the	Emails that Marked as Delete on Server
Test Command	Response
AT+QPOP3RSET=?	ОК
Execution Command	Response
AT+QPOP3RSET	ОК
	ERROR
Reference	

NOTE

It will unmark all the Emails that have been marked as Delete.

#### 2.2.8. AT+QPOP3OUT Logout from the POP3 Server

AT+QPOP3OUT	Logout from the POP3 Server
Test Command	Response
AT+QPOP3OUT=?	ОК
Write Command	Response
AT+QPOP3OUT	ОК
	ERROR
Reference	

#### 2.2.9. AT+QPOP3READ Read the Data of the Email Received

AT+QPOP3READ Read the Data of the Email Received	
Test Command	Response
AT+QPOP3READ=?	+QPOP3READ: (0-2),(0-65535),"FILE_FULL_NAME"
	ОК
Write Command	Response
AT+QPOP3READ= <type></type>	If read the contents of header or body, and format is right,
[, <num>,<local_filepath>]</local_filepath></num>	response
	CONNECT
	<data></data>
	+QPOP3READ: <result></result>



	OK Else if get the charset of body, and format is right response +QPOP3READ: <charset></charset>
	OK Else response +QPOP3READ: <result></result>
	OK Otherwise response ERROR
Reference	

#### **Parameter**

<type></type>	Which part of contents want to get
	0 Read the Email header
	1 Read the body text
	2 List attachment content
<num></num>	If <type> is 1, this parameter has two values.</type>
	0 Get the char set of the Email body
	1 Read the body of this Email
	If <type> is 2, this parameter means the ID of attachments. If <type> is 2 and</type></type>
	<num> is null, it is used for getting the attachment numbers of the specific Email.</num>
<local_filepath></local_filepath>	The path to save the specific attachment
	This parameter is valid only when <b><type></type></b> is 2.
<data></data>	This is the data of the Email. And the data was already decoded.
<result></result>	A numeric to indicate the result to read data. If it is 0, it means it is successful. If it
	is a negative numeric, it is the same as <b><err></err></b> (Please refer to the chapter 3).
<charset></charset>	The char set of the Email body

#### **NOTES**

- 1. If data of the E-mail's header or body has been got, data will output to UART in Data mode directly.
- If AT+QPOP3READ is used for getting the specific attachment to <local\_filepath>, the data of the
  attachment will be decoded and saved to <local\_filepath>. The operation of FILE can be used for
  getting the data of the attachment.



# 3 Appendix A Reference

**Table 1: Description of Different Coding Schemes** 

Code of <err></err>	Meaning
0	Executed successfully
-1	Unknown error
-2	Wait for the report of bearer info
-3	The pop3 operation is busy
-4	Failed to get IP address according to domain name
-5	Network error
-6	Unsupported command
-7	The connection for the POP3 server is closed by peer
-8	CPRS/CSD context is deactivated
-9	Timeout
-10	Server reply error
-11	Parse data error
-12	Get free space error
-13	Free space is not enough
-14	Open file failed
-15	Read file error



-16	Failed to save data
-17	Error when decode data
-18	Invalid parameter



# 4 Example

#### 4.1. Configure POP3 server

```
AT+QPOP3CFG=?
OK
AT+QPOP3CFG="storage","UFS"
                                              //Set storage is UFS
OK
AT+QPOP3CFG="user","test_user@163.com"
                                              //Set user
AT+QPOP3CFG="pwd","password"
                                              //Set password
AT+QPOP3CFG="timeout",60
                                              //Set timeout value
AT+QPOP3CFG="server","pop.163.com:110"
                                              //Set server name and port
OK
AT+QPOP3CFG?
+QPOP3CFG: "storage", "UFS"
+QPOP3CFG: "user", "test user@163.com"
+QPOP3CFG: "pwd","******"
+QPOP3CFG: "server", "pop.163.com:110"
+QPOP3CFG: "timeout",60
OK
AT+QPOP3CFG="storage"
                                              //Get storage value
+QPOP3CFG: "storage", "UFS"
OK
AT+QPOP3CFG="user"
                                              // Get user value
+QPOP3CFG: "user", "test_user@163.com"
OK
AT+QPOP3CFG="pwd"
                                              // Get password value
+QPOP3CFG: "pwd","******"
OK
```



AT+QPOP3CFG="timeout" // Get timeout value

+QPOP3CFG: "timeout",60

OK

AT+QPOP3CFG="server" // Get server address and port

+QPOP3CFG: "server","pop.163.com:110"

OK

#### NOTE

Actually, the user name "test\_user@163.com" and password "password" are not valid. It is just an example.

#### 4.2. Login POP3 server

If configuration is right and network is ok.

AT+QPOP3IN // Login in POP3 server

OK

+QPOP3: 0 //Login succeeded

Else if server address or port error, login will fail.

AT+QPOP3IN // Login in POP3 server

OK

**+QPOP3: -5** //Login failed. Error Id is -5.

#### 4.3. Get the Information of Email Number and Size on POP3 Server

AT+QPOP3NUM //Inquire the number and total size of Email

**+QPOP3NUM: 2, 21353** on Server

OK

AT+QPOP3LIST //Get the size of every Email on Server

CONNECT

2, 21353

1,4136

2, 17217

+QPOP3LIST: 0



OK

AT+QPOP3LIST=1 //Get the size of first Email on Server

+QPOP3LIST: 1, 4136

OK

#### 4.4. Get the Information of the Specific Email on POP3 Server

AT+QPOP3GET=1,0 //Get the UIDL of first Email

+QPOP3GET: AAAFepdCAAAv60+tksDqrqk3/6ogog+g

OK

AT+QPOP3GET=1,1 //Get the head of first Email

**CONNECT** 

From: "bluesky" <bluesky7810@163.com>

To: "bhw98" bhw98@sina.com Cc: bhwang@jlonline.com

Subject: Test Email

Date: Sat, 20 May 2002 10:03:36 +0800

+QPOP3GET: 0

OK

AT+QPOP3GET=1,2 //Download the first Email to local folder

+QPOP3GET: 0 //Get Email data successes

OK

#### 4.5. Mark the Specific Email Deleted on POP3 Server and Reset All

AT+QPOP3MDEL=1 //Mark the first Email on server for delete

OK

AT+QPOP3RSET //Reset all the Emails that marked for delete

OK

**NOTE** 

The Email which be marked for Delete will be delete when logout from the POP3 server. And AT+QPOP3RSET will reset all the Emails that have been marked for delete.



#### 4.6. Logout from POP3 Server

AT+QPOP3OUT //Logout from the POP3 server

OK

#### 4.7. Read the Local Email Info

AT+QPOP3READ=?

+QPOP3READ: (0-2),(0-65535),"FILE\_FULL\_NAME"

OK

AT+QPOP3READ=0 //Read the header of this Email

CONNECT

From: "bluesky" <bluesky7810@163.com>

To: "bhw98" bhw98@sina.com Cc: bhwang@jlonline.com

**Subject: Test Email** 

Date: Sat, 20 May 2002 10:03:36 +0800

+QPOP3READ: 0

OK

AT+QPOP3READ=1,0 //Get the charset of the body

+QPOP3READ: UTF-8

OK

AT+QPOP3READ=1,1 //Read the body of this Email

CONNECT

This is the body of test Email.

+QPOP3READ: 0

OK

AT+QPOP3READ=2 //List the attachments of this Email

CONNECT 1,file.txt 2,blue.jpg

+QPOP3READ: 0

OK

AT+QPOP3READ=2,1,"RAM:file.txt"

//Get the first attachment of this Email

**+QPOP3READ: 0** to "RAM:file.txt"



OK

AT+QFOPEN="RAM:file.txt" //Open the attachment

+QFOPEN: 12341840

OK

AT+QFREAD=12341840 //Read the attachment

CONNECT 10 //The data of 10 bytes will be read out

<output data>

OK

AT+QFCLOSE=12341840 //Close the attachment

OK

AT+QFDEL="RAM:file.txt" //Delete the attachment

OK