



LTE and NR Network scanner

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1 Introduction

LTESCAN is a tool using Amarisoft SDR50 boards to scan a band of the RF spectrum searching for either LTE or NR (SA) cells.

LTESCAN can be greatly accelerated by using several boards together.

Depending on conditions, adding a LNA RF amplifier in front of the SDR50 board(s) may give a better detection performance.

Launching “ltescan” will use the default config file “ltescan.cfg”. You can also specify a different config file by launching “ltescan myscan.cfg” Once launched, there are two ways to use it:

- user input on the console, with results on the screen
- websocket API for automatization

2 Requirements

2.1 Hardware requirements

- A fast PC:
 - For best performances, a quad core Intel Core i7 CPU (Haswell architecture or later) is recommended. Support of the AVX2 instruction set extension is required to run the software.
 - At least 2 GB of RAM.
 - At least 1 GB of hard disk space.
 - The video adapter does not matter.
- Radio front end
 - one or more Amarisoft PCIe SDR50
- Appropriate antennas for the intended LTE frequencies or cables and attenuators to connect to a UE.
- Optional RF amplifier

2.2 Software requirements

- A 64 bit Linux distribution. Fedora 39 is the officially supported distribution. The following distributions are known as compatible:
 - Fedora 22 to 39
 - Cent OS 7
 - Ubuntu 14 to 22

Your system requires at least GLIBC 2.17.

Other distributions can be used provided the radio frontend drivers are available for them.

3 Installation

3.1 Linux setup

3.1.1 Packages

3.1.2 OpenSSL

LTESCAN has been compiled against openssl version 1.1.1w.

If your system does not have compatible version installed you may have this error message at startup:

```
error while loading shared libraries: libssl.so.1.1: cannot open shared ob-
ject file: No such file or directory
```

To overcome this problem, you may:

- Copy libssl.so.1.1 and libcrypto.so.1.1 from `libs` subdirectory of your release tarball. If you have installed software with automatic install script, this should have been done automatically.
- Compile and install proper openssl version yourself

In case of persisting issue, raise a ticket from our support site at <https://support.amarisoft.com/> with the information provided by below commands executed in LTESCAN directory:

```
uname -a
ls -l
ldd ./ltescan
openssl version
```

3.2 RRH setup

Please refer to sub section of your radio frontend to set it up.

3.2.1 Amarisoft PCIe SDR

Read the PCIe SDR documentation (`trx_sdr.pdf`).

3.3 LTESCAN installation

Decompress the LTESCAN archive to a convenient place. The executable `ltescan` can be launched from this directory.

4 Configuration reference

4.1 Configuration file syntax

The main configuration file uses a syntax very similar to the Javascript Object Notation (JSON) with few extensions.

- Supported types:
 - Numbers (64 bit floating point). Notation: 13.4
 - Complex numbers. Notation: 1.2+3*I
 - Strings. Notation: "string"
 - Booleans. Notation: true or false.
 - Objects. Notation: { field1: value1, field2: value2, }
 - Arrays. Notation: [value1, value2,]
- The basic operations +, -, * and / are supported with numbers and complex numbers. + also concatenates strings. The operators !, ||, &&, ==, !=, <, <=, >=, > are supported too.
- The numbers 0 and 1 are accepted as synonyms for the boolean values false and true.
- { } at top level are optional.
- " for property names are optional, unless the name starts with a number.
- Properties can be duplicated.

If properties are duplicated, they will be merged following [JSON merge rules], page 5, with overriding occuring in reading direction (last overrides previous).

Ex:

```
{
  value: "foo",
  value: "bar",
  sub: {
    value: "foo"
  },
  sub: {
    value: "bar"
  }
}
```

Will be equivalent to:

```
{
  value: "bar",
  sub: {
    value: "bar"
  }
}
```

- Files can be included using *include* keyword (must not be quoted) followed by a string (without :) representing the file to include (path is relative to current file) and terminating by a comma.

Arrays can't be included.

Merge will be done as for duplicate properties.

If *file1.cfg* is:

```
value: "foo",
include "file2.cfg",
foo: "foo"
```

And *file2.cfg* is:

```
value: "bar",
foo: "bar"
```

Final config will be:

```
{
  value: "bar",
  foo: "foo"
}
```

8. A C like preprocessor is supported. The following preprocessor commands are available:

#define var *expr*

Define a new variable with value *expr*. *expr* must be a valid JSON expression. Note that unlike the standard C preprocessor, *expr* is evaluated by the preprocessor.

#undef var

Undefine the variable *var*.

#include *expr*

Include the file whose filename is the evaluation of the string expression *expr*.

#if *expr* Consider the following text if *expr* is true.

#else Alternative of **#if** block.

#elif Composition of **#else** and **#if**.

#endif End of **#if** block.

#ifdef var

Shortcut for **#if defined(var)**

#ifndef var

Shortcut for **#if !defined(var)**

In the JSON source, every occurrence of a defined preprocessor variable is replaced by its value.

9. Backquote strings: JSON expression can be inserted in backquote delimited strings with the `${expr}` syntax. Example: `'abc${1+2}d'` is evaluated as the string `"abc3d"`. Preprocessor variables can be used inside the expression. Backquote strings may span several lines.

4.1.1 JSON merge rules

Merge overriding direction depends on context, i.e source may override destination or the opposite.

JSON merge is recursive for Objects and Arrays.

Example, merging

```
{
  foo: { value: "bar" },
  same: "one",
  one: 1
}
```

with

```
{
  foo: { value: "none", second: true },
```



```

    same: "two",
    two: 1
}

```

Will become:

```

{
  foo: { value: "bar", second: true },
  same: "one",
  one: 1
  two: 1
}

```

assuming first object overrides second one.

In case of Array merging, the final array length will be the maximum length of all merged arrays.

For each element of the final array, merge will be done considering defined elements only.

Ex:

```

{
  array: [0, 1, 2, { foo: "bar" } ],
  array: [3, 4],
  array: [5, 6, 7, { bar: "foo" }, 8 ]
}

```

Will be merged to:

```

{
  array: [5, 6, 7, { foo: "bar", bar: "foo" }, 8 ],
}

```

4.2 Global properties

Example of ltescan.cfg:

```

/* LTE scan configuration */
{
  log_options: "all.level=debug,all.max_size=1,phy.signal=1",
  log_filename: "/tmp/scan.log",

  com_addr: "[::]:9009",

  rf_driver: {
    name: "sdr",
    args: 'dev0=/dev/sdr0',
    /* For multiple boards */
    //args: 'dev0=/dev/sdr0,dev1=/dev/sdr1,dev2=/dev/sdr2,dev3=/dev/sdr3',
  },

  rx_gain: 60,

  scan: {
    lock_timeout: 100,    /* ms: waiting for Cell Lock */
    pbch_timeout: 200,   /* ms waiting for PBCH */
  }
}

```

```

    sib_timeout: 3000,      /* ms: waiting for SIB */

    snr_threshold: 3.0,     /* only show cells with SNR greater than 3dB */
    rssi_timeout: 1000,     /* RSSI integration time (ms) */
    rssi_width: 100,        /* RSSI block width for rssi results (KHz) */
  },
}

```

For UHD driver (B2x0 hardware), the rf_driver must be modified as follows:

```

rf_driver: {
    name: "uhd",
    args: "num_recv_frames=64,num_send_frames=64",
    dl_sample_bits: 12,
    ul_sample_bits: 12,
},

```

log_filename

String. Set the log filename. If no leading /, it is relative to the configuration file path. See [Log file format], page 21.

log_options

String. Set the logging options as a comma separated list of assignments.

- *layer.level=verbosity*. For each layer, the log verbosity can be set to **none**, **error**, **info** or **debug**. In debug level, the content of the transmitted data is logged.
- *layer.max-size=n*. When dumping data content, at most **n** bytes are shown in hexa. For ASN.1, NAS or Diameter content, show the full content of the message if **n > 0**.
- *layer.payload=[0|1]*. Dump ASN.1, NAS, SGsAP or Diameter payload in hexadecimal.
- *layer.key=[0|1]*. Dump security keys (NAS and RRC layers).
- *layer.crypto=[0|1]*. Dump plain and ciphered data (NAS and PCDP layers).
- *time=[sec|short|full]*. Display the time as seconds, time only or full date and time (default = time only).
- *time.us=[0|1]*. Dump time with microseconds precision.
- *file=cut*. Close current file log and open a new one.
- *file.rotate=now*. Move and rename to the same directory or to the directory pointed by **file.path** and open a new log file (Headers are kept).
- *file.rotate=size*. Every time log file size reaches *size* bytes, move and rename to the same directory or to the directory pointed by **file.path**, and open a new log file (Headers are kept).
Size is an integer and can be followed by K, M or G.
- *file.rotate=#count*. Everytime number of logs in log file reaches *count*, move and rename to the same directory or to the directory pointed by **file.path**, and open a new log file (Headers are kept).
Size is an integer and can be followed by K, M or G.

- `file.path=path`. When log rotation is enabled (`file.rotate` set), rename and move current log to this path instead of initial log path.
- `append=[0|1]`. (default=0). If 0, truncate the log file when opening it. Otherwise, append to it.

Available layers are: `phy`

<code>log_sync</code>	Optional boolean (default = false). If true, logs will be synchronously dumped to file. Warning, this may lead to performances decrease.														
<code>rx_gain</code>	Float. Receive gain in dB. The range is device dependent. For the PCIe SDR board, the range is between -11 and 77 dB (the exact limits depend on the RX frequency). For the USRP N2x0 device with the SBX daughterboard, the range is 0 to 31.5 dB. With an array of floats a different gain is specified for each channel. Ltescan uses this value as initial rx_gain for each new frequency. The actual gain is automatically lowered as needed.														
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<code>sib_format_jer</code>	Optional boolean (default = false). If set, sib ASN.1 content within [Cell notification], page 17, message will be a JSON structure (JER) instead base64 encoding.														
<code>com_addr</code>	Optional string. Address of the WebSocket server remote API. See [Remote API], page 10. If set, the WebSocket server for remote API will be enabled and bound to this address. Default port is 9009. Setting IP address to <code>::</code> will make remote API reachable through all network interfaces.														
<code>com_name</code>	Optional string. Sets server name. SCAN by default														

<code>com_ssl_certificate</code>	Optional string. If set, forces SSL for WebSockets. Defines CA certificate filename.
<code>com_ssl_key</code>	Optional string. Mandatory if <code>com_ssl_certificate</code> is set. Defines CA private key filename.
<code>com_ssl_peer_verify</code>	Optional boolean (default is false). If <code>true</code> , server will check client certificate.
<code>com_ssl_ca</code>	Optional string. Set CA certificate. In case of peer verification with self signed certificate, you should use the client certificate.
<code>com_log_lock</code>	Optional boolean (default is false). If <code>true</code> , logs configuration can't be changed via <code>config_set</code> remote API.
<code>com_log_us</code>	Optional boolean (default is false). If <code>true</code> , logs sent by <code>log_get</code> remote API response will have a <code>timestamp_us</code> parameters instead of <code>timestamp</code>
<code>com_auth</code>	Optional object. If set, remote API access will require authentication. Authentication mechanism is describe in [Remote API Startup], page 12, section.
<code>passfile</code>	Optional string. Defines filename where password is stored (plaintext). If not set, <code>password</code> must be set
<code>password</code>	Optional string. Defines password. If not set, <code>passfile</code> must be set.
<code>unsecure</code>	Optional boolean (default false). If set, allow password to be sent plaintext. NB: you should set it to true if you access it from a Web Browser (Ex: Amarisoft GUI) without SSL (https) as your Web Browser may prevent secure access to work.
<code>com_log_count</code>	Optional number (Default = 8192). Defines number of logs to keep in memory before dropping them. Must be between 4096 and 2097152).
<code>sim_events</code>	Array of object. Each element defines a remote API request ([Remote API], page 10) except that <code>message</code> field is replaced by <code>event</code> .
<code>sim_events_loop_count</code>	If set, will define <code>loop_count</code> for each event of <code>sim_events</code> , See [loop_count], page 11.
<code>sim_events_loop_delay</code>	If set, will define <code>loop_delay</code> for each event of <code>sim_events</code> , See [loop_delay], page 11.
<code>license_server</code>	Configuration of the Amarisoft license server to use. Object with following properties:
<code>server_addr</code>	String. IP address of the license server.

name Optional string. Text to be displayed inside server monitor or remote API.

tag Optional string. If set, server will only allow license with same tag.

Example:

```
license_server: {  
  server_addr: "192.168.0.20",  
  name: "My license"  
}
```

5 Remote API

You can access LTESCAN via a remote API.

Protocol used is WebSocket as defined in RFC 6455 (<https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc6455>).

Note that Origin header is mandatory for the server to accept connections. This behavior is determined by the use of `noopll` library. Any value will be accepted.

To learn how to use it, you can refer to our the following tutorial (<https://tech-academy.amarisoft.com/RemoteAPI.html>).

5.1 Messages

Messages exchanged between client and LTESCAN server are in strict JSON format.

Each message is represented by an object. Multiple message can be sent to server using an array of message objects.

Time and delay values are floating number in seconds.

There are 3 types of messages:

- Request

Message sent by client.

Common definition:

message String. Represent type of message. This parameter is mandatory and depending on its value, other parameters will apply.

message_id

Optional any type. If set, response sent by the server to this message will have same message_id. This is used to identify response as WebSocket does not provide such a concept.

start_time

Optional float. Represent the delay before executing the message. If not set, the message is executed when received.

absolute_time

Optional boolean (default = false). If set, **start_time** is interpreted as absolute.

You can get current clock of system using **time** member of any response.

standalone

Optional boolean (default = false). If set, message will survive WebSocket disconnection, else, if socket is disconnected before end of processing, the message will be cancelled.

loop_count

Optional integer (default = 0, max = 1000000). If set, message will be repeated **loop_count** time(s) after **loop_delay** (From message beginning of event). Response will have a **loop_index** to indicate iteration number.

loop_delay

Optional number (min = 0.1, max = 86400). Delay in seconds to repeat message from its **start_time**. Mandatory when **loop_count** is set > 0.

- **Response**

Message sent by server after any request message as been processed.
Common definition:

message String. Same as request.

message_id

Optional any type. Same as in request.

time Number representing time in seconds since start of the process.
Usefull to send command with absolute time.

utc Number representing UTC seconds.

- **Events**

Message sent by server on its own initiative.
Common definition:

message String. Event name.

time Number representing time in seconds.
Usefull to send command with absolute time.

5.2 Startup

When WebSocket connections is setup, LTESCAN will send a first message with name set to **com_name** and type set to **SCAN**.

If authentication is not set, message will be **ready**:

```
{
  "message": "ready",
  "type": "SCAN",
  "name": <com_name>,
  "version": <software version>,
  "product": <Amarisoft product name (optional)>
}
```

If authentication is set, message will be **authenticate** :

```
{
  "message": "authenticate",
  "type": "SCAN",
  "name": <com_name>,
  "challenge": <random challenge>
}
```

To authenticate, the client must answer with a **authenticate** message and a **res** parameter where:

```
res = HMAC-SHA256( "<type>:<password>:<name>", "<challenge>" )
```

res is a string and HMAC-SHA256 refers to the standard algorithm (<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/HMAC>)

If the authentication succeeds, the response will have a **ready** field set to **true**.

```
{
  "message": "authenticate",
```

```

    "message_id": <message id>,
    "ready": true
}

```

If authentication fails, the response will have an **error** field and will provide a new challenge.

```

{
    "message": "authenticate",
    "message_id": <message id>,
    "error": <error message>,
    "type": "SCAN",
    "name": <name>,
    "challenge": <new random challenge>
}

```

If any other message is sent before authentication succeeds, the error "Authentication not done" will be sent as a response.

5.3 Errors

If a message produces an error, response will have an error string field representing the error.

5.4 Sample nodejs program

You will find in this documentation a sample program: **ws.js**.

It is located in **doc** subdirectory.

This is a nodejs program that allow to send message to LTESCAN.

It requires nodejs to be installed:

```

dnf install nodejs npm
npm install nodejs-websocket

```

Use relevant package manager instead of NPM depending on your Linux distribution.

Then simply start it with server name and message you want to send:

```

./ws.js 127.0.0.1:9009 '{"message": "config_get"}'

```

5.5 Common messages

config_get

Retrieve current config.

Response definition:

type	Always "SCAN"
name	String representing server name.
logs	Object representing log configuration. With following elements:
layers	Object. Each member of the object represent a log layer configuration:
layer name	Object. The member name represent log layer name and parameters are:
level	See [log_options], page 7,

	max_size	See [log-options], page 7,
	key	See [log-options], page 7,
	crypto	See [log-options], page 7,
	payload	See [log-options], page 7,
	count	Number. Number of bufferizer logs.
	rotate	Optional number. Max log file size before rotation.
	rotate_count	Optional number. Max log count before rotation.
	path	Optional string. Log rotation path.
	bcch	Boolean. True if BCCH dump is enabled (eNB only).
	mib	Boolean. True if MIB dump is enabled (eNB only).
locked	Optional boolean. If true , logs configuration can't be changed with config_set API.	
log_get	<p>Get logs.</p> <p>This API has a per connection behavior. This means that the response will depend on previous calls to this API within the same WebSocket connection.</p> <p>In practice, logs that have been provided in a response won't be part of subsequent request unless connection is reestablished. To keep on receiving logs, client should send a new log_get request as soon as the previous response has been received.</p> <p>If a request is sent before previous request has been replied, previous request will be replied right now without considering specific min/max/timeout conditions.</p> <p>Message definition:</p>	
	min	Optional number (default = 1). Minimum amount of logs to retrieve. Response won't be sent until this limit is reached (Unless timeout occurs).
	max	Optional number (default = 4096). Maximum logs sent in a response.
	timeout	Optional number (default = 1). If at least 1 log is available and no more logs have been generated for this time, response will be sent.
	allow_empty	Optional boolean (default = false). If set, response will be sent after timeout, event if no logs are available.
	rnti	Optional number. If set, send only logs matching rnti.
	ue_id	Optional number. If set, send only logs with matching ue_id.
	layers	Optional Object. Each member name represents a log layer and values must be string representing maximum level. See [log-options], page 7. If <i>layers</i> is not set, all layers level will be set to <i>debug</i> , else it will be set to <i>none</i> . Note also the logs is also limited by general log level. See [log-options], page 7.
	short	Optional boolean (default = false). If set, only first line of logs will be dumped.
	headers	Optional boolean. If set, send log file headers.

start_timestamp Optional number. Is set, filter logs older than this value in milliseconds.

end_timestamp Optional number. Is set, filter logs more recent than this value in milliseconds.

max_size Optional number (default = 1048576, i.e. 1MB). Maximum size in bytes of the generated JSON message. If the response exceeds this size, the sending of logs will be forced independently from other parameters.

Response definition:

logs Array. List of logs. Each item is a an object with following members:

- data** Array. Each item is a string representing a line of log.
- timestamp** Number. Milliseconds since January 1st 1970. Not present if **com_log_us** is set in configuration.
- timestamp_us** Number. Microseconds since January 1st 1970. Only present if **com_log_us** is set in configuration.
- layer** String. Log layer.
- level** String. Log level: *error*, *warn*, *info* or *debug*.
- dir** Optional string. Log direction: *UL*, *DL*, *FROM* or *TO*.
- ue_id** Optional number. UE.ID.
- cell** Optional number (only for PHY layer logs). Cell ID.
- rnti** Optional number (only for PHY layer logs). RNTI.
- frame** Optional number (only for PHY layer logs). Frame number (Subframe is decimal part).
- channel** Optional string (only for PHY layer logs). Channel name.
- src** String. Server name.
- idx** Integer. Log index.
- headers** Optional array. Array of strings.

discontinuity Optional number. If set, this means some logs have been discarded due to log buffer overflow.

microseconds Optional boolean. Present and set to true if **com_log_us** is set in configuration file.

log_set Add log.
Message definition:

- log** Optional string. Log message to add. If set, *layer* and *level* are mandatory.
- layer** String. Layer name. Only mandatory if *log* is set.

level	String. Log level: <i>error</i> , <i>warn</i> , <i>info</i> or <i>debug</i> . Only mandatory if <i>log</i> is set.
dir	Optional string. Log direction: <i>UL</i> , <i>DL</i> , <i>FROM</i> or <i>TO</i> .
ue_id	Optional number. UE-ID.
flush	Optional boolean (default = false). If set, flushes fog file.
rotate	Optional boolean (default = false). If set, forces log file rotation.
cut	Optional boolean (default = false). If set, forces log file reset.
log_reset	Resets logs buffer.
license	Retrieves license file information. Response definition:
products	String. List of products, separated by commas.
user	String. License username.
validity	String. License end of validity date.
id	Optional string. License ID.
id_type	Optional string. License ID type. Can be host_id or dongle_id
uid	Optional string. License unique ID.
filename	Optional string. License filename.
server	Optional string. License server URL.
server_id	Optional string. License server ID.
quit	Terminates ltscan.
help	Provides list of available messages in <i>messages</i> array of strings and events to register in <i>events</i> array of strings.
stats	Report statistics for LTESCAN. Every time this message is received by server, statistics are reset. Warning, calling this message from multiple connections simultaneously will modify the statistics sampling time. Response definition:
cpu	Object. Each member name defines a type and its value cpu load in % of one core.
instance_id	Number. Constant over process lifetime. Changes on process restart.
register	Register client for messages generated by server. Message definition:
register	Optional string or array of string. List of messages to register to. Can be cell , scan
unregister	Optional string or array of string. List of messages to unregister. Can be cell , scan

5.6 LTE messages

scan	<p>Launches a scan on selected bands.</p> <p>The response is sent when scanning is over.</p> <p>During scanning, notification intermediate message will be sent to notify progress.</p> <p>Closing connection before end of scan does not stop scanning.</p> <p>If a scanning is already in progress, it will be stopped. Message definition:</p>
band	<p>Number, string, object or array. Defines the list of bands to scan.</p> <p>If an array is defined, all elements must be a number, string or object.</p> <p>A number represents a LTE band number to scan.</p> <p>A string represents a single band with the command line syntax (see below).</p>
	<p>7 band LTE 7</p> <p>7(3000) arfcn 30000 of band LTE 7</p> <p>n78(7838,7850) gscn 7838 to 7850 on band NR 78</p>
	<p>An object will have following properties:</p>
band	Number. Band to scan
type	String. Can be nr or lte .
	<p>Cell notification. Every time a cell is found, such notification is sent.</p>
notification	String. Set as cell
band	Number. Band
type	String. Can be nr or lte .
frequency	Number. Cell center frequency in Hz.
dl_earfcn	Number. Downlink earfcn (LTE only).
dl_arfcn	Number. Downlink arfcn (NR only).
gscn	Number. SSB gscn (NR only).
nsa	Optional boolean. Cell only supports NSA (no SIB1 scheduled, NR only).
mib	String. Content of MIB in base64 encoding.
bandwidth	Number. Cell bandwidth in MHz.
n_rb_dl	Number. Number of resource blocks.
rsqi	Number. RSSI in dBm.
rsrq	Number. RSRQ in dB
rsrp	Number. RSRP in dBm.
snr	Number. SNR in dB.
n_antenna_pbch	Number. Number of antenna as reported in the PBCH (LTE only)

<code>lte_m</code>	Boolean. Cell supports LTE-M (LTE only)
<code>n_ssb</code>	Number. Number of SSB (antennas) from 'ssb-PositionsInBurst' in SIB1 (NR only)
<code>ssb_index</code>	Number. SSB index as reported in MIB (NR only)
<code>ssb_subcarrier_spacing</code>	Number. SSB subcarrier spacing in KHz (NR only)
<code>subcarrier_spacing</code>	Number. subcarrier spacing in KHz (NR only)
<code>uldl_config</code>	Number. uldl config if TDD mode (LTE only)
<code>special_subframe_config</code>	Number. special subframe config if TDD mode (LTE only)
<code>tp1_period</code>	Number. Period in ms of TDD Pattern_1 if TDD mode (NR only)
<code>tp1_dl_slots</code>	Number. Number of DL slots in Pattern_1 if TDD mode (NR only)
<code>tp1_ul_slots</code>	Number. Number of UL slots in Pattern_1 if TDD mode (NR only)
<code>tp1_dl_syms</code>	Number. Number of DL symbols in special slot in Pattern_1 if TDD mode (NR only)
<code>tp1_ul_syms</code>	Number. Number of UL symbols in special slot in Pattern_1 if TDD mode (NR only)
<code>tp2_period</code>	Number. Period in ms of TDD Pattern_2 if TDD mode (NR only)
<code>tp2_dl_slots</code>	Number. Number of DL slots in Pattern_2 if TDD mode (NR only)
<code>tp2_ul_slots</code>	Number. Number of UL slots in Pattern_2 if TDD mode (NR only)
<code>tp2_dl_syms</code>	Number. Number of DL symbols in special slot in Pattern_2 if TDD mode (NR only)
<code>tp2_ul_syms</code>	Number. Number of UL symbols in special slot in Pattern_2 if TDD mode (NR only)
<code>sib1</code>	String. Content of SIB1 (if broadcasted). May be base64 encoding or JER depending on [sib_format_jer], page 8.
<code>sib2</code>	String. Content of SIB2 (if broadcasted). May be base64 encoding or JER depending on [sib_format_jer], page 8.
<code>sib3</code>	String. Content of SIB3 (if broadcasted). May be base64 encoding or JER depending on [sib_format_jer], page 8.

sib4	String. Content of SIB4 (if broadcasted). May be base64 encoding or JER depending on [sib_format_jer], page 8.
sib5	String. Content of SIB5 (if broadcasted). May be base64 encoding or JER depending on [sib_format_jer], page 8.
Band notification. Every time a new band is being scanned, such notification is sent.	
notification	String. Set as cell
band	Number. Band
type	String. Can be nr or lte .
cells	Returns last scanning results. Response definition:
cells	Array of object. Each item represents a cell as described in See [Cell notification], page 17.
scanning	Boolean. If true, a scanning is in progress.
scan_rssi	<p>Launches a RSSI scan on selected bands.</p> <p>Results are returned by frequency step (defined by rssi_width parameter). During scanning, notification intermediate message will be sent to notify progress.</p> <p>Closing connection before end of scan does not stop scanning.</p> <p>If a scanning is already in progress, it will be stopped. Message definition:</p>
band	<p>Number, object or array. Defines the list of bands to scan.</p> <p>If an array is defined, all elements must be a number or an object.</p> <p>A number represents a LTE band number to scan. An object will have following properties:</p>
band	Number. Band to scan
type	String. Can be nr or lte .
RSSI notification. For every frequency step, a notification is sent.	
notification	String. Set as rssi
frequency	Number. Frequency in Hz.
arfcn	Number. Downlink arfcn (LTE only).
rssi	Number. RSSI in dBm.
rssis	Returns last RSSI scanning results. Response definition:
rssis	Array of object. Each item represents a cell as described in See [RSSI notification], page 19.
scanning	Boolean. If true, a scanning is in progress.

Example of scan command:

```
./ws.js -t 600 127.0.0.1:9009 '{"message": "scan", "band": ["7(3000)", "n78"]}'
```

5.7 LTE events

Following events are sent by scanner to remote API client if they have been registered on WebSocket.

cell	Cell has been scanned. Same definition as See [Cell notification], page 17.
scan	Provides information on scanning progress
notification	String. Can be band when a new band is being scanned, end when scanning is over.

5.8 Examples

1. Config

1. Client sends

```
{
  "message": "config_get",
  "message_id": "foo"
}
```

2. Server replies

```
{
  "message_id": "foo",
  "message": "config_get",
  "name": "UE",
  "logs": {
    "phy": {
      "level": "error",
      "max_size": 0
    },
    ...
    "rrc": {
      "level": "debug",
      "max_size": 1
    }
  }
}
```

2. Error

1. Client sends

```
{
  "message": "bar",
  "message_id": "foo"
}
```

2. Server replies

```
{
  "message_id": "foo",
  "message": "bar",
  "error": "Unknown message: bar"
}
```

6 Command line monitor reference

The following commands are available:

help Display the help. Use **help *command*** to have a more detailed help about a command.

t [scan|cpu|spl] [port]

Activate various traces on the console. The display is stopped when typing return. The default trace is the current scan status. An optional RF port may be given for cpu and spl traces.

Available traces:

scan Display current scan information.

cpu Display the CPU usage from the TRX (transceiver) API and the TX-RX latency statistics.

spl Display various statistics about the sent and received complex samples (at the TRX API level). For the TX side, the RMS and maximum sample value are displayed. The number of saturation events (**abs(sample) > 1**) are displayed too. For the RX side the RMS and maximum sample value are displayed. The unit is dB FS (dB Full Scale). 0 dB FS is reached with a square signal of amplitude 1.

scan *bands*

Start a cell scan on the specified band(s); LTE band: 1..256; NR band: n1..n256
You can also add arfcn/gscn limits for each band. Examples:

scan 7 20 will scan bands LTE 7 and 20

scan 7(3000) scan arfcn 3000 on band LTE 7

scan n78(7838,7850) scan gscn 7838 to 7850 on band NR 78

scan_rssi *bands*

Start a RSSI scan on the specified band(s); LTE band: 1..256; NR band: n1..n256

com COM connection status.

7 Log file format

7.1 PHY layer

When a PHY message is dumped (debug level), the format is:

```
time layer dir ue_id cell rnti frame.subframe channel:short_content
      long_content
```

time Time using the selected format.

layer Layer ([PHY] here).

dir UL (uplink) or DL (downlink).

ue_id eNodeB UE identifier (hexadecimal, unique among all cells).

cell Low 8 bits of the cell identifier (hexadecimal).

rnti Associated RNTI (hexadecimal) or - if none.

frame.subframe
Frame number (0-1023) and either subframe number (0-9) for LTE and NB-IoT cells or slot number for NR cells.

channel PHY channel name (e.g. PUSCH, PUCCH, PRACH, SRS, PSS, PBCH, PCFICH, PDSCH, PHICH, PDCCH, EPDCCH, ...).

short_content
Single line content.

long_content
Hexadecimal dump of the message if `phy.max_size > 0`.

8 Change history

8.1 Version 2025-03-14

- the `crc=KO` log is renamed to `crc=FAIL`

8.2 Version 2024-12-13

- added `sib_format_jer` parameter

8.3 Version 2024-09-13

- added LTE bands 107 and 108 definition
- added `mib` parameter to cell notification
- added `license` remote API
- `com_logs_lock` parameter is renamed to `com_log_lock`. `com_logs_lock` is still supported for backward compatibility
- added `com_log_us` parameter

8.4 Version 2024-06-14

- OpenSSL library is upgraded to 1.1.1w
- added NR band 54 definition
- added `lte_m` and `nsa` parameters to cell notification
- added MIB info for WS API

8.5 Version 2024-03-15

- added LTE bands 106, 253 and 254 definition
- added NR bands 31, 72, 105, 109 and 254 definition

8.6 Version 2023-12-15

- added `loop_count` and `loop_delay` to remote API messages
- added `sim_events`, `sim_events_loop_count` and `sim_events_loop_delay`
- added `com_ssl_ca` parameter for SSL verification

8.7 Version 2023-06-10

- `com_logs_lock` parameter added to disable logs configuration change via remote API

8.8 Version 2023-03-17

- `com_addr` parameter now uses `:::` address instead of `0.0.0.0` in the delivered configuration file to allow IPv6 connection

8.9 Version 2022-12-16

- `utc` parameter is added to remote API response messages

8.10 Version 2022-06-17

- OpenSSL library is upgraded to 1.1.1n
- `start_timestamp` and `end_timestamp` are added to `log_get` API

8.11 Version 2022-03-18

- Added Introduction
- Added sample config file
- Use retransmission to improve all SIB decoding in low SNR conditions
- Indicate NSA cells
- Fixed cell detection when SSB spacing is different
- Fixed BWP parsing

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