

A76XX Series_ CNETCI_Application Note

LTE Module

SIMCom Wireless Solutions Limited

SIMCom Headquarters Building, Building 3, No. 289 Linhong
Road, Changning District, Shanghai P.R. China
Tel: 86-21-31575100
support@simcom.com
www.simcom.com



| Document Title: | A76XX Series_CNETCI _Application Note |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| Version: | 1.01 |
| Date: | 2023.04.27 |
| Status: | Released |

GENERAL NOTES

SIMCOM OFFERS THIS INFORMATION AS A SERVICE TO ITS CUSTOMERS, TO SUPPORT APPLICATION AND ENGINEERING EFFORTS THAT USE THE PRODUCTS DESIGNED BY SIMCOM. THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IS BASED UPON REQUIREMENTS SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED TO SIMCOM BY THE CUSTOMERS. SIMCOM HAS NOT UNDERTAKEN ANY INDEPENDENT SEARCH FOR ADDITIONAL RELEVANT INFORMATION, INCLUDING ANY INFORMATION THAT MAY BE IN THE CUSTOMER'S POSSESSION. FURTHERMORE, SYSTEM VALIDATION OF THIS PRODUCT DESIGNED BY SIMCOM WITHIN A LARGER ELECTRONIC SYSTEM REMAINS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CUSTOMER OR THE CUSTOMER'S SYSTEM INTEGRATOR. ALL SPECIFICATIONS SUPPLIED HEREIN ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

COPYRIGHT

THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS PROPRIETARY TECHNICAL INFORMATION WHICH IS THE PROPERTY OF SIMCOM WIRELESS SOLUTIONS LIMITED COPYING, TO OTHERS AND USING THIS DOCUMENT, ARE FORBIDDEN WITHOUT EXPRESS AUTHORITY BY SIMCOM. OFFENDERS ARE LIABLE TO THE PAYMENT OF INDEMNIFICATIONS. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED BY SIMCOM IN THE PROPRIETARY TECHNICAL INFORMATION ,INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO REGISTRATION GRANTING OF A PATENT , A UTILITY MODEL OR DESIGN. ALL SPECIFICATION SUPPLIED HEREIN ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE AT ANY TIME.

SIMCom Wireless Solutions Limited

SIMCom Headquarters Building, Building 3, No. 289 Linhong Road, Changning District, Shanghai P.R. China

Tel: +86 21 31575100

Email: simcom@simcom.com

For more information, please visit:

https://www.simcom.com/download/list-863-en.html

For technical support, or to report documentation errors, please visit:

https://www.simcom.com/ask/ or email to: support@simcom.com

Copyright © 2023 SIMCom Wireless Solutions Limited All Rights Reserved.

www.simcom.com 1 / 10



About Document

Version History

| Version | Date | Owner | What is new |
|---------|------------|------------|---|
| V1.00 | 2020.09.02 | Liyue.liu | New version |
| V1.01 | 2023.01.05 | Sijin.zhou | Add CNETCISRVINFO and <index>,and delete NOTE</index> |
| | 2023.01.11 | Zeming.li | Add parameters pci and earfcn for CNETCI |

www.simcom.com 2 / 10



Scope

Based on module AT command manual, this document will introduce CNETCI application process. Developers could understand and develop application quickly and efficiently based on this document. This document applies to ASR1603 Series ,ASR1601 Series , ASR1803 Series ,ASR1803 Series .



www.simcom.com 3 / 10



Contents

| About Document | 2 |
|---|-----|
| Version History | 2 |
| Scope | |
| Contents | . 4 |
| 1 Introduction | 5 |
| 1.1 Purpose of the document | |
| 1.2 Related documents | |
| 1.3 Conventions and abbreviations | |
| 1.4 The process of Using CNETCI AT Commands | |
| 2 AT Command for CNETCI | 7 |
| 2.1 Overview of AT Command for CNETCI | |
| 2.1.1 AT+CNETCI Query the same frequency and different frequency cell information | |
| 3 Example | 10 |



1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose of the document

This document describes how to use the CNETCI service to update the firmware on CAT1 modules of A76XX Series.

1.2 Related documents

[1] A76XX Series AT Command Manual

1.3 Conventions and abbreviations

In this document, the GSM engines are referred to as following term:

ME (Mobile Equipment);

MS (Mobile Station);

TA (Terminal Adapter);

DCE (Data Communication Equipment) or facsimile DCE (FAX modem, FAX board);

In application, controlling device controls the GSM engine by sending AT Command via its serial interface.

The controlling device at the other end of the serial line is referred to as following term:

TE (Terminal Equipment);

DTE (Data Terminal Equipment) or plainly "the application" which is running on an embedded system;

Other Conventions:

PDP (Packet Data Protocol);

FTP (File Transfer Protocol);

SSL (Secure Sockets Layer);

TLS (Transport Layer Security);

CNETCI (Firmware Over The Air)

www.simcom.com 5 / 10



1.4 The process of Using CNETCI AT Commands

Step 1: Confirm that the network status is OK

Step 2: Configure CNETCI mode.

Step 3: Query information using AT+CNETCI?



www.simcom.com 6 / 10



2 AT Command for CNETCI

2.1 Overview of AT Command for CNETCI

| Command | Description |
|-----------|--|
| AT+CNETCI | Query the same frequency and different frequency cell information, |

2.1.1 AT+CNETCI Query the same frequency and different frequency cell information

This command can query the same frequency different frequency neighborhood information.

Read command return the same frequency different frequency neighborhood information, CNETCISR VINFO returns the information of serving cell, CNETCIINTRAINFO returns the same frequency cell information, CNETCINONINFO returns heterofrequency cell information, GSMCIINFO returns GSM neighborhood cell information. Write instruction input CNETCI mode.

| AT+CNETCI Query the same frequency and different frequency cell information | | |
|---|--|--|
| Read Command AT+CNETCI? | Response 1) <+CNETCISRVINFO: MCC-MNC: <plmn>,TAC:<tac>,cellid:<cellid>,rsrp:<rsrp>,rsrq: <rsrq>, pci:< phyCellId>, earfcn:< euArfcn>> [+CNETCIINTRAINFO: <index>,MCC-MNC:<plmn>,TAC:<tac>,cellid:<cellid>,rsrp:<rsr p="">,rsrq:<rsrq>, pci:< phyCellId>, earfcn:< euArfcn>] [+CNETCINONINFO: <index>,MCC-MNC:<plmn>,TAC:<tac>,cellid:<cellid>,rsrp:<rsr p="">,rsrq:<rsrq>, pci:< phyCellId>, earfcn:<euarfcn>] [+GSMCIINFO: <index>,MCC-MNC:<plmn>,TAC:<tac>,cellid:<cellid>,rsrp:<rsr p="">,rsrq:<rsrq>, pci:< phyCellId>, earfcn:<euarfcn>] [+GSMCIINFO: <index>,MCC-MNC:<plmn>,LAC:<lac>,cellid:<cellid>,rxSigLev el:<rxsiglevel>, earfcn:<euarfcn>] +CNETCI:<n> OK</n></euarfcn></rxsiglevel></cellid></lac></plmn></index></euarfcn></rsrq></rsr></cellid></tac></plmn></index></euarfcn></rsrq></rsr></cellid></tac></plmn></index></rsrq></rsr></cellid></tac></plmn></index></rsrq></rsrp></cellid></tac></plmn> | |

www.simcom.com 7 / 10



| | 2) ERROR 3) +CME ERROR: <err></err> |
|----------------------------------|---|
| Write Command AT+CNETCI= <n></n> | Response 1) OK 2) ERROR 3) +CME ERROR: <err></err> |
| Parameter Saving Mode | NO_SAVE |
| Max Response Time | 9S |
| Reference | 3GPP TS 36.133 |

Defined Values

| <n></n> | 0 — Oneshot gets information, which may be incomplete or unreachable, and responds quickly. 1 — must decode system info to get Ncell, but in the end, may still not get NCELL, The response is slow. |
|--------------------------|---|
| <index></index> | integer type,the order number of cell list |
| <plm><plmn></plmn></plm> | PLMN code |
| <tac></tac> | Tracing Area Code |
| <cellid></cellid> | Cell ID |
| <rsrp></rsrp> | integer type, reference signal received power (see 3GPP TS 36.133 [96] subclause 9.1.4). 0 rsrp < -140 dBm 1 -140 dBm < rsrp < -139 dBm 2 -139 dBm < rsrp < -138 dBm 95 -46 dBm < rsrp < -45 dBm 96 -45 dBm < rsrp < -44 dBm 97 -44 dBm < rsrp 255 not known or not detectable |
| <rsrq></rsrq> | integer type, reference signal received quality (see 3GPP TS 36.133 [96] subclause 9.1.7). 0 rsrq < -19.5 dB 1 -19.5 dB < rsrq < -19 dB 2 -19 dB < rsrq < -18.5 dB 32 -4 dB < rsrq < -3.5 dB 33 -3.5 dB < rsrq < -3 dB 34 -3 dB < rsrq |

www.simcom.com 8 / 10



| | 255 not known or not detectable |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <lac></lac> | Location area code |
| <rxsiglevel></rxsiglevel> | Receive signal level |
| phyCellId | Physical Cell ID |
| euArfcn | Radio frequency channel number |



www.simcom.com 9 / 10



3 Example

Before all CNETCI related operations, we should ensure the following:

Ensure network is available:

AT+CGREG?

+CGREG: 0,1

OK

AT+CPSI?

+CPSI: LTE,Online,460-00,0x333C,39589680,308,EUTRAN-BAND3,1350,5,0,0,54,0,22

OK

at+CNETCI=1

OK

at+CNETCI?

AT+CNETCI?

+CNETCISRVINFO: MCC-MNC: 460-00,TAC: 13116,cellid: 60660547,rsrp: 35,rsrq: 22, pci:

403,earfcn: 40936

+CNETCINONINFO: 0,MCC-MNC: 460-00,TAC: 13116,cellid: 60789825,rsrp: 25,rsrq: 22,pci:

180,earfcn: 38950

+CNETCINONINFO: 1,MCC-MNC: 460-00,TAC: 13116,cellid: 39589680,rsrp: 30,rsrq: 21,pci:

308,earfcn: 1350

+CNETCI: 1

OK

www.simcom.com