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and UDXF - Utility DXers Forum

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# Introductie / Introduction

De Utility DX Beginners Gids is bedoeld voor mensen die geen of weinig kennis hebben van utility radio stations.

Utility radio is een uitgebreid gebied waarbij buiten de ontvangers ook decoders een hoofdrol spelen. Of je nu van luchtvaart houdt, van scheepvaart, bakens, nummer stations of fax-stations, er is voor iedereen wel wat te vinden. Omdat het zo uitgebreid is kan ik onmogelijk alles bespreken. Ik probeer hier de belangrijkste punten weer te geven. Mocht je verdere vragen hebben neem dan contact op met de Benelux DX-Club [www.bdxc.nl](http://www.bdxc.nl) of Utility DXers Forum [www.udxf.nl](http://www.udxf.nl)

## Ontvangers en antennes

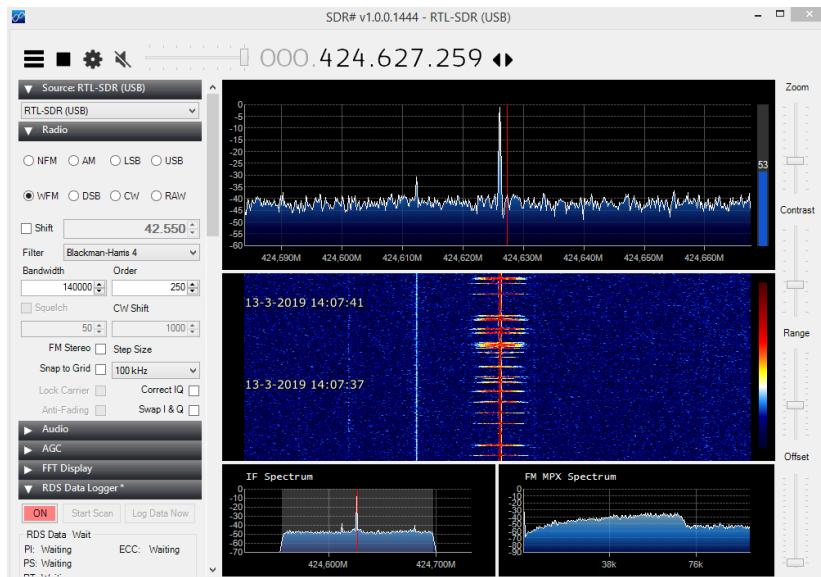
Omdat ontvangers en antennes bij alle delen van de hobby nodig zijn zal ik ze hier niet verder bespreken.

The Utility DX Beginners Guide is for people without any knowledge or with little knowledge of utility radio stations.

Utility radio is an extensive area where decoders play a leading role in addition to the receivers. Whether you like aviation, shipping, beacons, number stations or fax stations, everyone can find something to listen to. Because it is so extensive I cannot possibly discuss everything. I will try to mention the most important items here. If you have any further questions, please contact the Benelux DX Club [www.bdxc.nl](http://www.bdxc.nl) or Utility DXers Forum [www.udxf.nl](http://www.udxf.nl)

## Receivers and antennas

Because receivers and antennas are needed for every aspect of the hobby I will not discuss them in this article.



SDR# interface connected to a  
RTL DVB-T DAB 820T2 SDR



## Utility DX (Nederlands)

### ***U vraagt zich misschien af: "Wat is een utility station?"***

Die vraag is gemakkelijk te beantwoorden. Met uitzondering van omroep stations, piraten stations en radio amateurs, zijn alle radiostations Utility Radio Stations. Deze stations zijn meestal niet bedoeld voor ontvangst door het grote publiek. De stations zenden op LF, MW, HF, VHF, UHF en hoger via satelliet. Je kunt ze overal vinden. De stations zenden in allerlei modes: voice in LSB, USB, AM, NFM, Morse, Fax en heel veel verschillende digitale modes.

Hoewel veel digitale uitzendingen gecodeerd zijn, is het toch leuk om ernaar te luisteren. Vooral ook de sport om uit te vinden wie je nu eigenlijk hoort. Gelukkig zijn daar middelen voor als websdrs, mailinglijsten en websites, radio clubs zoals de Benelux DX-Club. De meeste radio clubs houden zich niet bezig met utility DX. De BDXC is een uitzondering, evenals de Australian Radio DX Club, DX-Antwerp en een hand vol andere clubs. Verder kun je veel informatie vinden op forums en het internet. Een goed voorbeeld is UDXF – Utility DXers Forum [www.udxf.nl](http://www.udxf.nl) waar veel utility dxers te vinden zijn. Vergeet ook de chatboxen niet als b.v. #WUNclub en de chat boxen op UDXF. Delen van informatie via mailing lists, forums en clubs is belangrijk voor de hobby. Op die manier kun je vaak onbekende stations identificeren. Via diezelfde kanalen kun je vaak hulp krijgen wanneer je problemen hebt met een radio, antenne of decoder.

Helaas zijn sinds de jaren negentig veel stations uit de lucht verdwenen. Toen ik aan deze hobby begon, zonden veel nieuwsagentschappen hun nieuws in de rtty- en faxmodes. Interpol was nog steeds in de lucht, evenals vele telefoonlijnen. De meeste kuststations zijn nu ter ziele, maar in mijn vroege radiojaren kon je ze vanuit alle delen van de wereld horen, evenals de vissers die zich dagelijks meldden. Maar hoewel veel utility-stations de ether hebben verlaten, zijn er nog steeds genoeg om naar te luisteren. Sterker nog, er komen er steeds meer bij.

Wat voor stations kun je dan horen? Onderstaan een lijstje, zeker niet compleet.

Luchtvaartstations, zowel grondstations als vliegtuigen met verschillende soorten uitzendingen en modes. Denk aan weerberichten, verkeersleiding en bakens. Je hoort piloten praten met grondstations, je hoort transponders, HF-Datalink, Selcalls, Volmet, ACARS, VDL2, etc.

De maritieme bakens zijn helaas weg maar voor de luchtvaart zijn er nog aardig wat, hoewel ze langzaam maar zeker uitgefaseerd zullen worden. Maar er zijn ook andere bakens. Denk aan Driftnet bakens, Propagatie bakens, Hi Frequency bakens (v.n. piraten).

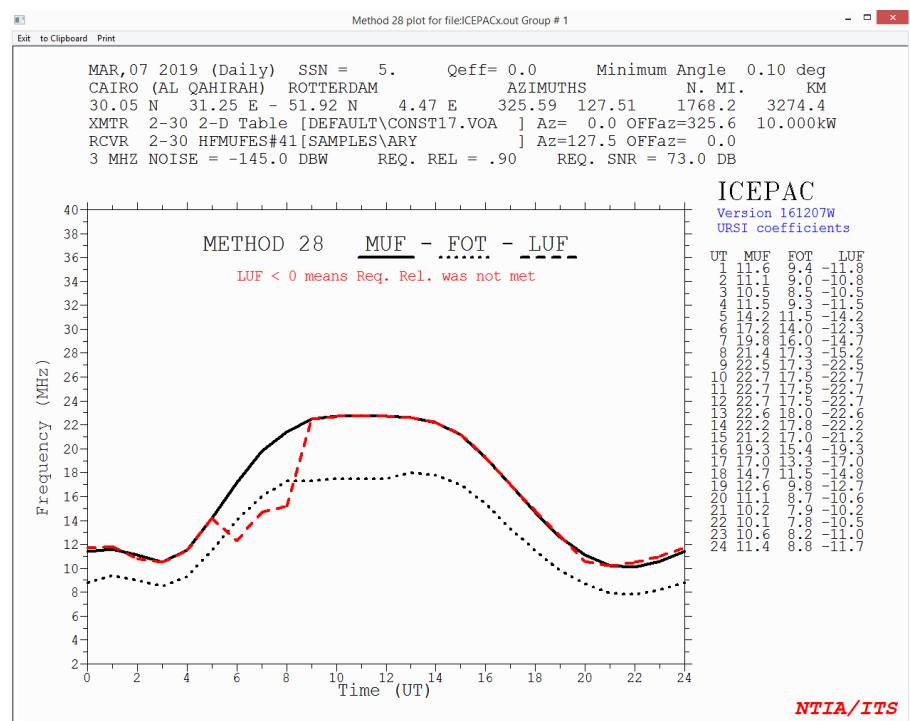
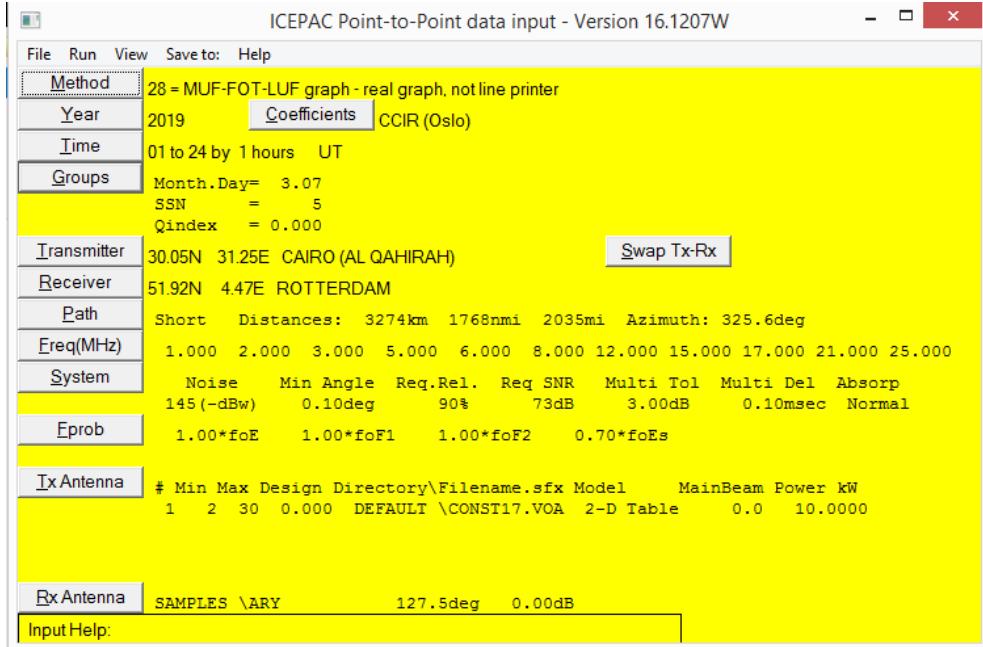
Verder systemen om automatisch contact te maken zoals ALE (Automatic Link Establishment), Selcall-systemen, en Tone calls. Experimentele stations, Fax stations, overheid stations als Ministeries van Buitenlandse Zaken en consulaten/ambassades. Ministeries van Binnenlandse Zaken, Veiligheidsdiensten, Geheime Diensten, Politie, Highway Advisory Radio (HAR), Ionosondes, Chirpsounders, Maritieme stations, zowel kuststations als schepen in diverse modes als Sitor-A, Sitor-B (incl. Navtex), DSC, voice, Morse. Verder Militaire stations, Nummerstations, Radars, Spoorwegen, Ruimtevaart (ISS, satellieten, ruimtevaartuigen), Standard frequency & time stations, Travelers Information Stations (TIS) en nog heel veel meer. Meer dan genoeg te horen dus.

Voor veel modes heb je software nodig om de signalen te decoderen. Daarvoor moet je wel je radio koppelen met deze software. Radio's, decoders en andere software kun je koppelen middels fysieke kabels of Virtuele Seriele Poorten. Geluid kun je doorsluizen d.m.v. virtuele kabels zoals VB Cable en VAC – Virtual Audio Cable. Op deze manier kun je zelfs meerdere radio's en decoders tegelijkertijd en onafhankelijk van elkaar laten werken.

Decoders kennen we in diverse vormen. Bekende terminal units zijn o.a. de oude POCOM decoders en de Universal 8000. De huidige hardware decoders zijn over het algemeen nogal prijzig en zijn vooral voor de professionele markt. De meeste decoders, professioneel zowel als voor de hobby zijn echter software pakketten voor de PC die gekoppeld wordt aan je radio via een kabel of via de soundcard van de PC. Zie verder het hoofdstuk "Decoders"

Hoe weet je nu waar je moet zoeken als je een station wilt horen? Mede DXers kunnen helpen. Je kunt uiteraard ook gewoon zoeken. Frequentieboeken of databases kunnen helpen, hoewel er niet veel echt goede frequentieboeken zijn. Kijk voor een lijstje onder het hoofdstuk "Boeken".

Propagatie is iets waar je rekening mee moet houden. Je kunt niet op alle tijden van de dag of het hele jaar door op dezelfde frequentie stations horen. Er zijn programma's waarmee je vrij aardig kunt bepalen welke frequentie bruikbaar is. De VoA programma's zowel voor de PC als online zijn simpel te gebruiken en goed. Zie voor programma's het hoofdstuk "Diverse programma's" en uitleg over propagatie kun je vinden op het internet. Links vind je in het hoofdstuk "Utility radio related links".



VoA ICEPAC propagation program for the PC.

## Utility DX (English)

### **You may ask yourself: "What is a utility station?"**

That question is easy to answer. With the exception of broadcasting stations, pirate stations and radio amateurs, all radio stations are Utility Radio Stations. These stations are usually not intended for reception by the general public. The stations transmit on LF, MW, HF, VHF, UHF and higher via satellite. You can find them everywhere. The stations transmit in all kinds of modes: voice in LSB, USB, AM, NFM, Morse, Fax and many different digital modes.

Many digital signals are coded, but it is still fun to listen to them and to find out who you actually heard although that isn't always easy. Fortunately, there are resources such as websdrs, mailing lists, websites, and radio clubs such as the Benelux DX Club. Most radio clubs do not cover utility DX. The BDXC is an exception, as is the Australian Radio DX Club, DX-Antwerp and a hand full of other clubs. You can also find a lot of information on forums and the internet. A good example is UDXF - Utility DXers Forum [www.udxf.nl](http://www.udxf.nl) where many utility dxers can be found. Do not forget the chat boxes like #WUNclub and the chat boxes on UDXF. Sharing information via mailing lists, forums and clubs is important for the hobby. It may help you to identify unknown stations. Through the same channels you can often get help when you have problems with a radio, antenna or decoder.

Many stations have disappeared from the air since the 1990's. When I started this hobby, many news agencies sent their news in rtty and fax modes. Interpol was still on the air, as were many telephone services. Most coastal stations are now defunct, but in my early radio years you could hear them from all parts of the world. The same goes for the Dutch fishing boats. They reported their position daily on Scheveningen Radio, but alas, that is also a long time ago. But although many ute stations have left the air, there are still stations enough to listen to. In fact, HF seems to become more popular lately.

What kind of stations can you hear? Below a list, certainly not complete.

Aviation stations, both ground stations and airplanes with different types of transmissions and modes. Think of weather reports, traffic control and beacons. You hear pilots talking to ground stations, you can hear transponders, HF Datalink, Selcalls, Volmet, ACARS, VDL2, etc.

The maritime beacons are unfortunately gone, but there are still quite a few beacons for aviation, although they will slowly but surely be phased out. But there are also other beacons. Think of Driftnet beacons, Propagation beacons, Hi Frequency beacons (pirates).

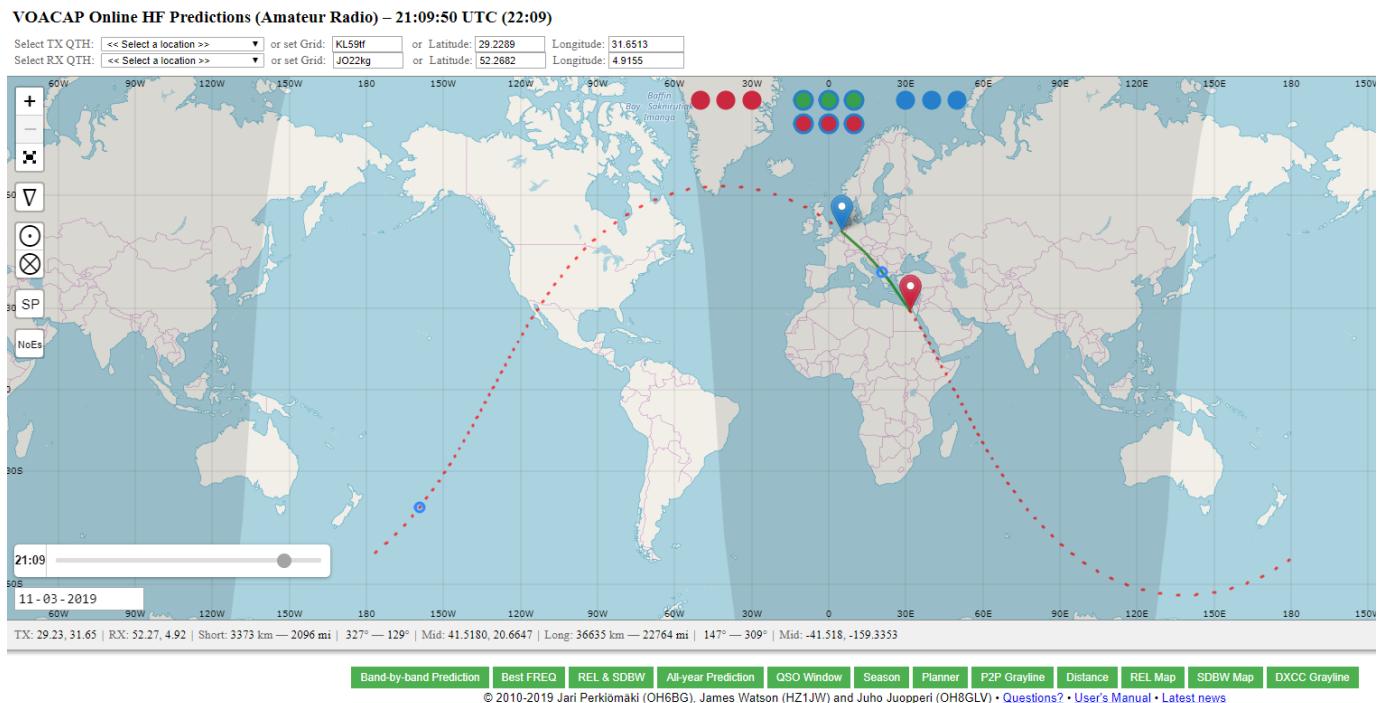
There are systems to make automatic contact such as ALE (Automatic Link Establishment), Selcall systems, and Tone calls. Experimental stations, Fax stations, government stations such as Ministries of Foreign Affairs and consulates / embassies. Ministries of the Interior, Security Services, Secret Services, Police, Highway Advisory Radio (HAR), Ionosondes, Chirpsounders, Maritime stations, both coastal stations and ships in various modes such as Sitor-A, Sitor-B (including Navtex), DSC, voice Morse. Furthermore, Military stations, Number stations, Radars, Railways, Space (ISS, satellites, spacecraft), Standard frequency & time stations, Travelers Information Stations (TIS) and much, much more.

For many modes you need software to decode the signals. You need to link your radio to this software. You can connect radios, decoders and other software via physical cables or Virtual Serial Ports. Sound can be transferred through virtual cables such as VB Cable and VAC - Virtual Audio Cable. In this way you can even operate several radios and decoders simultaneously and independently of each other.

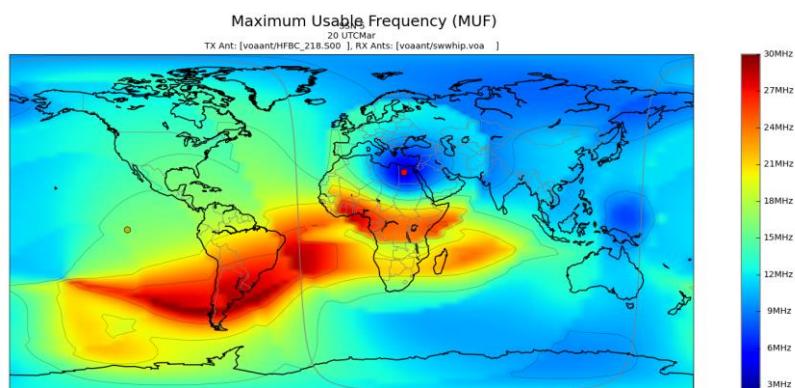
We know decoders in various forms. Well known terminal units include the old POCOM decoders and the Universal 8000. The current hardware decoders are generally quite expensive and are mainly for the professional market. Most decoders, both professional and hobby, however, are software packages for the PC connected to your radio via a cable or via the soundcard of the PC. Check also the chapter "Decoders".

How do you know where to look for a station? Fellow DXers can help you but you can also simply search. Frequency books or databases can help, but note that there are not many good frequency books. Check chapter "Books".

Propagation is something that you have to take into account. You cannot hear stations on the same frequency at all times of the day or year-round. There are propagation programs with which you can calculate which frequency is usable. The VoA programs for both the PC and online are easy to use and good. For programs and links to articles about propagation, see the chapters "Various Programs" and "Utility radio related links".



The best operating frequencies (FREQ, FREQ2, FREQ3) by hour										
UTC	SDBW	REL	SIN	MUFday	FOT	MUF	HFF	FREQ	FREQ2	FREQ3
Mar 11 2019 29.23 N 31.65 S	TX: 29.23, 31.65   RX: 52.27, 4.92   Short: 3373 km — 2096 mi   327° — 129°   Mid: 41.5180, 20.6647   Long: 36635 km — 22764 mi   147° — 309°   Mid: -41.518, -159.3353	SSN = 5.								
01 -102 (S9+)	100%	49	98%	9.5	11.9	14.2	5.4	3.6	7.1	
02 -103 (S9 )	100%	49	97%	9.0	11.3	13.4	5.4	3.6	7.1	
03 -105 (S9 )	100%	49	95%	8.6	10.7	12.7	5.4	3.6	7.1	
04 -106 (S9 )	98%	51	69%	9.1	11.4	13.6	7.1	5.4	3.6	
05 -111 (S8 )	100%	49	96%	11.6	14.3	17.2	7.1	5.4	10.1	
06 -114 (S8 )	100%	51	89%	14.9	18.4	22.1	10.1	18.1	7.1	
07 -107 (S9 )	99%	63	54%	17.4	21.4	25.7	14.1	21.1	10.1	
08 -111 (S8 )	100%	59	72%	18.4	23.7	27.8	14.1	18.1	24.9	
09 -112 (S8 )	99%	56	69%	18.9	23.5	27.8	14.1	18.1	24.9	
10 -114 (S8 )	99%	56	67%	17.9	23.6	27.8	14.1	24.9	21.1	
11 -113 (S8 )	99%	56	68%	17.9	23.6	27.9	14.1	24.9	21.1	
12 -113 (S8 )	99%	56	70%	18.1	23.8	28.1	14.1	24.9	10.1	
13 -111 (S8 )	100%	57	78%	19.3	24.1	28.0	14.1	24.9	10.1	
14 -108 (S9 )	100%	60	76%	19.0	23.7	27.5	14.1	10.1	24.9	
15 -105 (S9 )	100%	62	74%	18.4	23.1	26.7	14.1	10.1	7.1	
16 -104 (S9 )	99%	64	62%	17.4	21.6	25.4	14.1	10.1	7.1	
17 -106 (S9 )	99%	60	42%	17.5	19.6	24.8	14.1	10.1	7.1	
18 -106 (S9 )	100%	53	99%	13.8	17.7	22.2	7.1	10.1	5.4	
19 -108 (S9 )	100%	53	97%	12.0	15.4	19.2	7.1	5.4	3.6	
20 -103 (S9 )	100%	51	99%	10.4	13.4	16.7	5.4	3.6	7.1	
21 -102 (S9+)	100%	50	98%	9.5	12.3	15.0	5.4	3.6	7.1	
22 -102 (S9+)	100%	49	97%	9.3	12.0	14.7	5.4	3.6	7.1	
23 -102 (S9+)	100%	49	97%	9.3	12.1	14.7	5.4	3.6	7.1	
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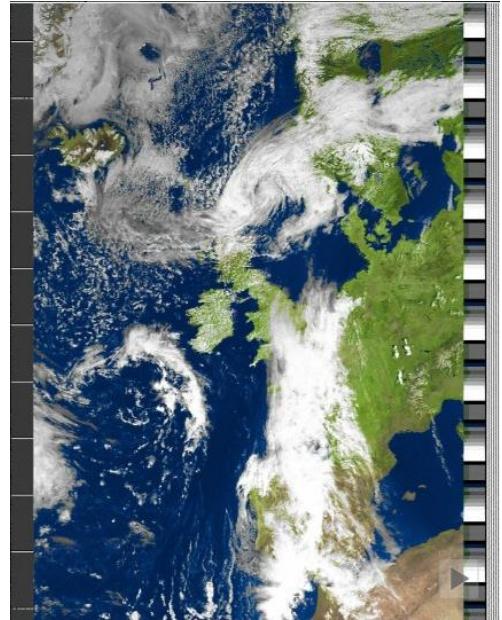


Screenshots from the online VoA propagation program

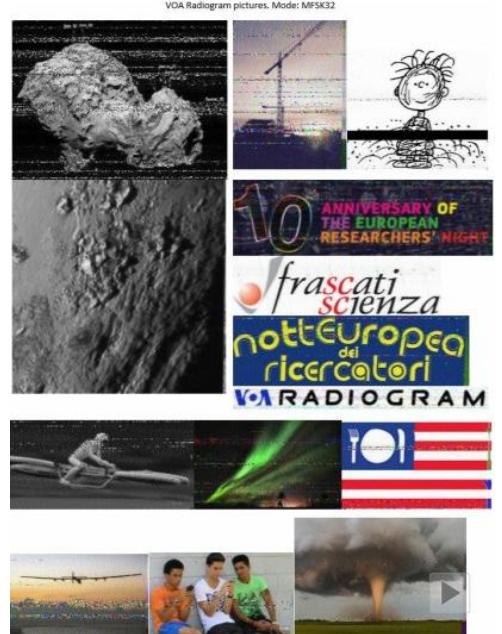
# Waveforms

## Digital Waveforms

ASK Amplitude Shift Keying  
OOK On-Off-Keying  
FSK Frequency Shift Keying  
CPFSK Continuous Phase Frequency Shift Keying  
DFSK Double Frequency Shift Keying  
C4FM Constant Envelope 4-Level Frequency Modulation  
MSK Minimum Shift Keying  
TFM Tamed Frequency modulation  
GMSK Gaussian Minimum Shift Keying  
MFSK Multi Frequency Shift Keying  
BPSK Binary Phase Shift Keying (PSK)  
QPSK Quadrature Phase Shift Keying  
OQPSK Offset Quadrature Phase Shift Keying  
SQPSK Staggered Quadrature Phase Shift Keying  
CQPSK Compatible Differential Offset Quadrature Phase Shift Keying  
CPSK Coherent Phase Shift Keying  
DCPSK Differential Coherent Phase Shift Keying  
DPSK Differential Phase Shift Keying  
DBPSK Differential Binary Phase Shift Keying  
DQPSK Differential Quadrature Phase Shift Keying  
D8PSK Differential 8 Phase Shift Keying  
QAM Quadrature Amplitude Modulation  
OFDM Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing  
SS Spread Spectrum  
DSSS Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum  
FHSS Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum  
IFK Incremental Frequency Keying  
PAM Pulse Amplitude Modulation  
PWM Pulse Width Modulation  
PPM Pulse Position Modulation  
PCM Pulse Code Modulation



Decoded satellite weather fax



Decoded VoA Radiogram pictures

## Analogue Waveforms

AM Amplitude Modulation  
DSB-RC Double Sideband reduced Carrier  
DSB-SC Double Sideband suppressed Carrier  
SSB-FC Single Sideband full Carrier  
SSB-RC Single Sideband reduced Carrier  
SSB-SC Single Sideband suppressed Carrier  
SSB Single Sideband Modulation  
ISB Independent Sideband Modulation  
VSB Vestigial Sideband Modulation  
FM Frequency Modulation  
WFM Wide Frequency Modulation

## HF Modes

AFS Navy FSK	CIS VFT 3 Channels 144 Bd
ALE 3G	CIS 16x75 Bd
ALE400	CIS 36-50
ALG MIL Bell103 Modem	CIS 405-3915
ALIS	CIS 50-17 Baudot
ALIS 2	CIS 50-50
ARD9800 OFDM 36ch Modem	CIS 81-29
ARQ-E	CIS 81-81
ARQ-E3	CIS 200-1000
ARQ-M2	CIS 500 Bd FSK Burst Modem
ARQ-M4	CIS 640 Bd MSK Modem
ASCII	CIS 1280 Bd MSK Modem
AUM-13	CIS 1280 Bd PSK Modem
AUS MIL ISB Modem	CIS 2560 Bd MSK Modem
Baudot ITA No.2	CIS 3000 Bd Modem
Baudot Code	CIS 4FSK 96 Bd
Murray Code	CIS 4FSK 100 Bd
Western Union Code	CIS 4FSK 150 Bd
ITA2 Code	CIS 7FSK 200 Bd
Baudot-ARQ System	CIS 7FSK 300 Bd
Baudot F7B	CIS-ARQ
Baudot Sync	CIS AT-3004 Modem
BEE	CIS BPSK
BR 6028	CIS Hybrid Modem DBPSK and MFSK 16
BR 6029C Time Diversity Modem	CIS MFSK 1 + 12
CCIR 493 SELCALL	CIS MFSK 1 + 10 + 1
CHN ARQ Modem	CIS MFSK-11 125 Bd
CHN Broadcast Jammer	CIS MFSK-12 10 Bd
CHN MIL 4FSK	CIS MFSK 12 + 1
CHN MIL 8FSK 83.6 Bd	CIS MFSK-14
CHN MIL 8FSK 100 Bd	CIS MFSK-17
CHN MIL 8PSK Modem 1627 Bd	CIS MFSK-20
CHN MIL 8PSK Modem 2400 Bd	CIS MFSK-36
CHN MIL 64FSK	CIS MFSK-36 Selective Calling
CHN MIL Datalink 30 tone	CIS MFSK-68
CHN MIL Datalink 39 tone	CIS OFDM 35/45/60/93/112/128 Channel
CHN MIL Hybrid Modem (4FSK-OFDM20)	35 tone OFDM
CHN MIL Hybrid Modem (4FSK-8FSK-OFDM19)	45 tone OFDM variant 1
CHN MIL Hybrid Modem (8FSK-PSK)	45 tone OFDM variant 2
CHN 4+4 Modem	45 tone OFDM variant 3
CHIP 64/128	45 tone OFDM variant 4
CIS 11	60 tone OFDM variant 1
CIS 12	60 tone OFDM variant 2
CIS 12 ARQ	93 tone OFDM
CIS 14	112 tone OFDM
CIS 150 Bd SELCAL	128 tone OFDM

CIS QPSK 2 x 62.5 Bd	HELL
CIS VFT 3 Channels 100 Bd	F-Hell, Press-Hell
CIS VFT 3 Channels 100 Bd	Feld-Hell
CIS VFT 3 Channels 144 Bd	GL-Hell
Clansman FSK Modem	Hell-80
Clover	PC-Hell
Clover II	PSK-Hell and FM-Hell
Clover 2000	FSK-Hell
Clover 2500	Duplo-Hell
Coachwhip	Sequential Multi-Tone Hell
CODAN	Concurrent Multi-Tone Hell
CODAN 4 Channel mode	Slow-Feld
CODAN 8 Channel Mode	ICAO Selcal
CODAN 12 Channel Mode	IRN Navy 16 x 75 Bd
CODAN 3212 Mil Modem	IRN Navy QPSK 207 Bd
CODAN Chirp mode	IRN Navy Adaptive Modem V1
CODAN Selcall	IRN Navy Adaptive Modem V2
Contestia	ISR N Hybrid Modem
CROWD	Italian MIL 1200 Bd FSK
CW-F1B	Italian MIL 1200 Bd PSK
D AF VFT	Japan 8-Tone ASK
DGPS	Japan 16-tone PSK
DominoF	Japan 1500 Bd QPSK
DominoEX	Japan 32-tone OFDM
DPRK ARQ 600 Bd	Japan 32 Channel Modem
DPRK ARQ 1200 Bd	JT2
DPRK FSK 600 FEC	JT4 A-G
DPRK BPSK Modem	JT44
DPRK 150 Bd BPSK	JT6M
DPRK 300 Bd BPSK	JT65A/JT65B/JT65C
DPRK 600 Bd BPSK	JT9 A-H
DPRK 1200 Bd BPSK	LINCOMPEX
DRM	LINEA Sitor
DRM – WinDRM	LINK 1
ECHOTEL 1810 HF Modem	LINK 10
ECHOTEL 1820 HF Modem	LINK 11 CLEW
Fax	LINK 11 SLEW
FEC-A	LINK 14
F Navy FSK	LINK 22
G-TOR	LINK Y
GRC MIL FSK	LINK Z
GMDSS-DSC HF	Mazielka
Harris Analogue Voice Security (AVS)	MD 522 NB
Harris Autolink-I	MD 522 WB
HDSSTV	MD 522 DIV
HFDVL73	MD 1061
HFDL	MD 1142

MD 1280	PSK 125 FEC
MFSK-8	PSK 220 FEC
MFSK-16	PSKAM 10/31/50
MFSK AFS Navy Modem	Q15x25
MFSK Modem ALCATEL 801	RFSM 2400/8000
MFSK 4-TONE ARQ SYSTEM 150 to 1200 Bd	RFSM-2400 Modem
MFSK 8-TONE ARQ SYSTEM 16.7 & 100 Bd	RFSM-8000 Modem
MFSK TADIRAN HF Modem	Robust Packet Radio RPR
MFSK TE-204/USC-11 Modem	ROS
MIL STD 188-110A ser	RS-ARQ
MIL STD 188-110A Appendix A 16-Tone	RS-ARQ II
MIL STD 188-110A Appendix B 39-Tone	RS GM2xxx Modem
MIL STD 188-110B Appendix C	RS GN2130 Modem
MIL STD 188-110B Appendix F	RTTYM
MIL STD 188-110C Appendix D	RUS Mil Voice Scrambler
MIL STD 188-141A	Selenia Parallel Tone Modem
Linking Protection	Siemens CHX-200 FSK Modem
AL-0	SITOR ARQ mode A
AL-1	SITOR FEC mode B
AL-2	SKYFAX
AL-3	SSTV
AL-4 (classified application level)	SSTV VIS-Code
Alternate Quick Call (AQC) ALE	STANAG 4197
MIL STD 188-141B	STANAG 4198
MIL STD 188-141B App. A	STANAG 4202
MIL STD 188-141B Appendix C	STANAG 4285
MIL STD 188-203-1A	STANAG 4415
MIL STD 188-203-3	STANAG 4444
MIL STD 188-212	STANAG 4479
MIL STD 188-342	STANAG 4481 FSK
MLA Navy Baudot	STANAG 4481 PSK
MT 63	STANAG 4529
Nokia Adaptive MSG Terminal M/90	STANAG 4538
NUM 13	STANAG 4539
Olivia	STANAG 4591
PACTOR I	STANAG 5031
PACTOR II	STANAG 5035
PACTOR II-FEC	STANAG 5065
PACTOR III	Systeme 3000 HF Modem
PACTOR IV	Tadiran AutoCall
PACTOR VI 2-Tone-Chirp	Tadiran Data Mode
PACTOR IV Spread Modulation	TFM3/5
Packet Radio	Thales Voice Scrambler
Panther-H FH Modem	Thor
PAX/PAX2	Throb/Throb-X
POL INTEL FSK	TMS-430 Modem
PSK 10	VFT
PSK 31	WINMOR
PSK 63 FEC	Yaktah Russian Voice Scrambler

### **Polish Intelligence modes**

200Bd/400Hz MFSK-4

BFSK 400/800

BPSK-63

FSK 100/200

FSK 200/400

FSK 400/800

FSK 400/960

FSK-4 100Bd

MFSK-4 100/200

QPSK-125

### **Modes used by Russian diplomatic stations, intelligence and military**

16X5 MFSK

Akula (Russian Navy 500 Baud/1000)

AT3004D (CIS-12, FIRE, MS5, Russian 12 Tone Modem)

CIS-11 (TORG 11)

CIS-112

CIS-14 (AMOR, AMOR96, PARITY-14)

CIS-16

CIS-3000

CIS-45

CIS-48

CIS-60

CIS-79 (TANDEM)

CIS-8181 (CIS-81, FROST)

CIS-VFT

FSK200/1000 (Aquarius)

FSK200/500

Mazielka selcall

MFSK-16/20Bd (NUM13, CIS MFSK16)

MFSK-20/10Bd (CIS MFSK20)

MFSK-4

MFSK-56

MFSK-64

MFSK-66

RUS-ARQ

Russian 50bd/500 FSK

Russian 75 Baud

Russian 96 Baud

Russian MOI 54 Baud

Serdolik MFSK (CROWD-36, CIS-36)

T206 (Moroz, Russian 53.8bd/500 FSK)

T600 (Bee 36/500, CIS 36-50, Russian 50bd Secure)

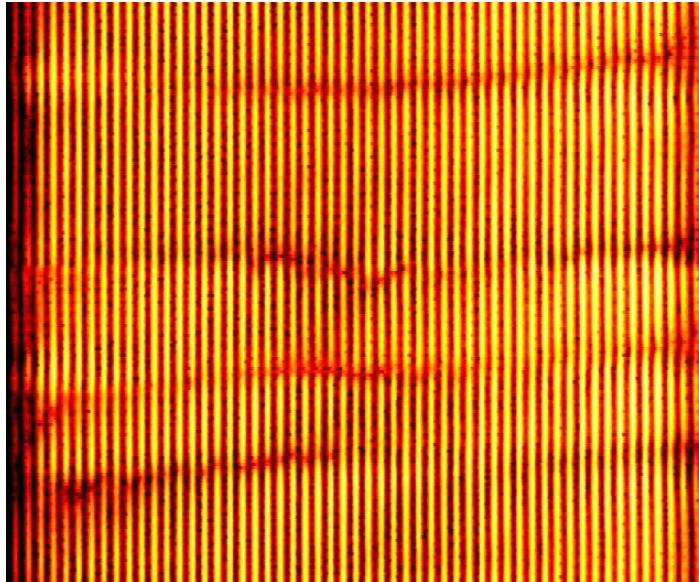
VARA mFSK+OFDM-52 (Dragon)

and many, many, experimental modes

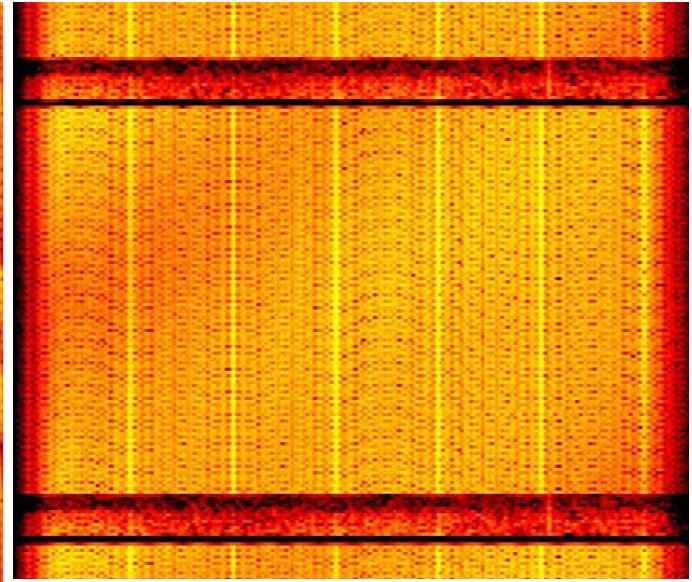
## **Radar**

16x64 Sounder  
Burst OTH Radar 6 sweeps/sec  
Canadian HF Surface Wave  
Chirpsounder  
Coastal radar 2.6 sweeps/sec  
CODAR HF Radar short range, 2 sweeps/sec  
JORN OTH Radar  
Lowell Digisounders  
Ocean Surface Radar  
OTH PLUTO Radar 12.5 sweeps/sec  
OTH PLUTO Radar 25 sweeps/sec  
OTH PLUTO Radar 50 sweeps/sec  
OTH Radar 10 sweeps/sec  
OTH Radar 160 kHz wijd, 10 sweeps/sec  
OTH Radar 43 sweeps/sec  
OTH Radar 50 sweeps/sec, Turkije  
OTH Radar 66 sweeps/sec  
OTH Radar 87 sweeps/sec  
OTH Radar Kontayner, 50 sweeps/sec  
OTH Radar Nostradamus, 33 sweeps/sec  
Podsolnukh-E OTH kustradar op 3540 en 3600 kHz, 43 sweeps/sec  
Radar 150 and 313 sweeps/sec, Iran  
Skiymet Meteor  
SuperDARN  
US Military Sounder  
US Relocatable OTHR  
WERA Remote Ocean Sensing, Germany

**Pluto radar**



**SuperDARN radar**



## VHF Modes

ACARS	DPMR
ADS-B	DPMR Mode 1
AIS	DPMR Mode 2
AMPS	DPMR Mode 3
APCO 25	DSTAR
ARDIS	DTMB
ATCS	DTMF
ATIS	EEA
BIIS	EIA
Bluetooth	EPIRB
Bluetooth 1.0 and 1.0B	EPLRS
Bluetooth 1.1	ERMES
Bluetooth 1.2	EUROSIGNAL
Bluetooth 2.0 + EDR	EXICOM EX7100
Bluetooth 2.1 + EDR	Family Radio Service
Bluetooth 3.0 + HS	FLEX
Bluetooth 4.0	FMS BOS
Broadcast WFM	FSK 441
Pre-emphasis and de-emphasis	GMDSS-DSC VHF
Car Keys	GMRS
Audi A4 Station Wagon	GSM
Landrover	ISCAT
Mercedes Sprinter	ITU Fax and Modem Standards
CCIR-1	Modem Standards
CCIR-2	V.19 Modem Standard
CCITT	V.21 Modem Standard
CDMA One	V.22 Modem Standard
CDMA2000	V.22 bis Modem Standard
CDPD	V.23 Modem Standard
Cordless Phone	V.26 Modem Standard
Analogue Standard CT0	V.26bis Modem Standard
Analogue Standard CT0 (Extended)	V.26ter Modem Standard
Analogue Standard CT1	V.27 Modem Standard
Analogue Standard CT1+	V.32 Modem Standard
Digital Standard CT2	V.32bis Modem Standard
Digital Standard CT2+	V.33 Modem Standard
Digital Standard CT3	V.36 Modem Standard
CTCSS	V.37 Modem Standard
DAB	V.38 Modem Standard
DAB+	V.90 Modem Standard
D-AMPS	Fax Standards
DARC	V.17 FAX Standard
DCSS	V.29 FAX Standard
DECT	V.27bis FAX Standard
DMR	V.27ter FAX Standard
	V.34 FAX Standard
	DSVD and H.324 Standards

JT2	Radio Remote Control
JT44	Holtek Chipset TE89TP16N, HT46R01T3
JT6M	Princeton Chipset PT2262, PT2272, HX2262, SC5262, SC5272
JT65A/JT65B/JT65C	RATO Chipset EV1527, RT1527, FP1527, HS1527, HT12E
LINK 4A	
LINK 4C	Radiosondes
LINK 11 CLEW	VAISALA RS80 15GH
LINK 11 SLEW	VAISALA RS92 KL
LINK 14	VAISALA RS92 SGPD
LINK Y	M2 K2
LINK Z	
LINK 16	Railnet
LINK 22	RD-LAP
Long Range Communication	RDS/RBDS
LTE	Remote Controlled Drones
LTE+	Harris RF 7800V
MDC-600/MDC-1200	SEM93
MDC-4800	SENOA MSK Hopping System
Mobitex-1200	TACAN
Mobitex-8000	TETRA
MPT 1327	TETRA II
MSK144	TETRAPOL
NATEL	Trunked Radio
NMT-450	VDEW
NOAA Weather Radio	VHF Digital Link Modes
NXDN	VDL Mode 1
Packet Radio	VDL Mode 2
PMR	VDL Mode 3
POCSAG	VDL Mode 4
QRA64	ZigBee
Radio Controlled Traffic Light	ZVEI 1
	ZVEI 2
	ZVEI 2 xx tones



Discriminator USB interface



Pocom AFR 2000 decoder

## Afkortingen / Abbreviations

##/###	Baud/Shift	hrd	Heard
//	Parallel with Frequency	ISB	Independent Side Bands
3SC	Third-shift Cyrillic	JJ	Japanese Language
5FGs	5-Figure Groups	LSB	Lower Sideband
5LGs	5-Letter Groups	MIB	Marine Information Broadcast
A/A	Air to Air	msg	Message
a/c	Aircraft	nx	News
A/G	Air to Ground	OM	Male Operator
AA	Arabic Language	Posn	Position
AAF	Army AirField	pp	Phone Patch
AGE	Aircraft Ground Equipment	PP	Portuguese Language
AM	Amplitude Modulation	R/T	Radiotelephone
ANG	Air National Guard	rdo	Radio
ARNG	Army National Guard	RDR	Radar
ARP	AIREP or Air Report	re	Reference / Regarding
ARTCC	Air Route Traffic Control Center	req	Request
ARW	Aerial Refueling Wing	rpt	Reportchk Check
ATCC	Air Traffic Control Center	RR	Russian language
ATIS	Automatic Terminal Information Service	SAR	Search and Rescue
c/s	Callsign	sc	SELCAL
CC	Chinese Language	SS	Spanish
CdV	Controle de Voie	sx	Simplex
CW	Continuous Wave	tfc	Traffic
CZ	Czech Language	TGs	Telegrams
dep	Departed	tlx	Telex
DSB	Double Side Band	unid	Unidentified
dx	Duplex	unk	Unknown
EAM	Emergency Action Message	USB	Upper Sideband
EE	English Language	vsl	Vessel
enrt	En route	w/	With
FF	French Language / French Forces	wkg	Working
FN	French Navy	wx	Weather
FSS	Flight Service Station	YL	Female Operator
GG	German Language		

# Decoders

Decoders kennen we in diverse vormen. Bekende terminal units zijn o.a. de oude POCOM decoders en de Universal 8000. De huidige hardware decoders zijn over het algemeen nogal prijzig en zijn vooral voor de professionele markt. De meeste decoders, professioneel zowel als voor de hobby zijn echter software pakketten voor de PC die gekoppeld wordt aan je radio via een kabel of via de soundcard van de PC. Ik beperk me daarom voornamelijk tot de software decoders. Tussen haakjes geef ik aan wanneer het een professionele decoder betreft. Noot: niet alle decoders werken onder Microsoft Windows.

There are several types of decoders. Well known terminal units include the old POCOM decoders and the Universal 8000. The current hardware decoders are generally quite expensive and are mainly for the professional market. Most decoders, both professional and hobby, however, are software packages for the PC connected to your radio via a cable or via the soundcard of the PC. Therefore I will confine myself to the software decoders. Between brackets a note when it concerns a professional decoder. Note: not all decoders work on Microsoft Windows computers.

## Hardware decoders

SBS Radarbox

AirNav Radarbox

## Software decoders

AirNav ACARS Decoder

AirNav Selcal Decoder

Amalgamated DGPS (also for the Macintosh)

CW Skimmer

DIGTRX

DSC Decoder

FLDigi

Frisnit NAVTEX decoder

Go2decode (pro)

Go2monitor (pro)

Hoka Code 300-32 (pro)

JVComm32

Krypto500 (pro)

MARS ALE (pro)

MixW

MRP40 CW Decoder

MScan

MS-DMT

Multimode (for the Macintosh)

MultiPSK

PC-ALE

PC-HFDL

PC-NAVTEX

PDW Paging Decoder

Radiocom 6

Rivet

SeaTTY

Sigmira

Sorcerer

TrueTTY

Wavecom W-Code (pro)

Wavecom W-Spectra (pro)

Winradio Advanced Digital Suite

Winradio Universal FSK Decoder

Yet Another DSC Decoder (YADD)

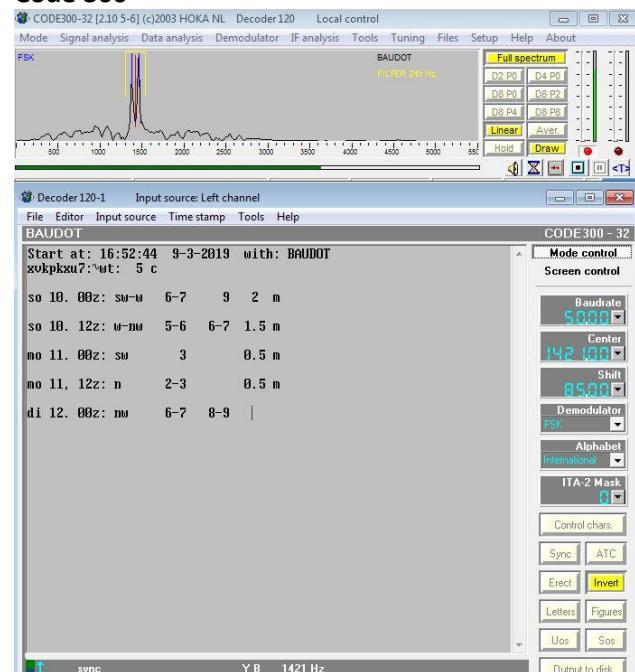
Yet Another NAVTEX Decoder (YAND)

## Decoders voor de RTL sdr / Decoders for the RTL sdr

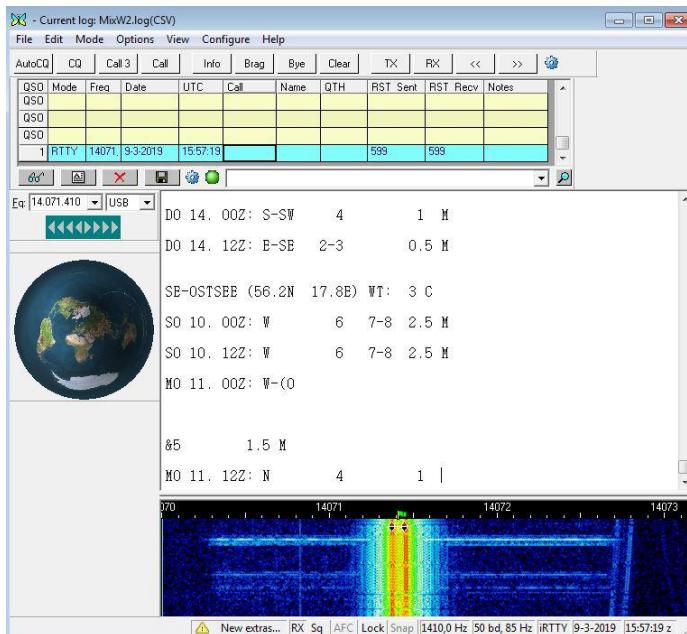
ADSB Scope: Mode-S decoder

RTL1090: Mode-S decoder

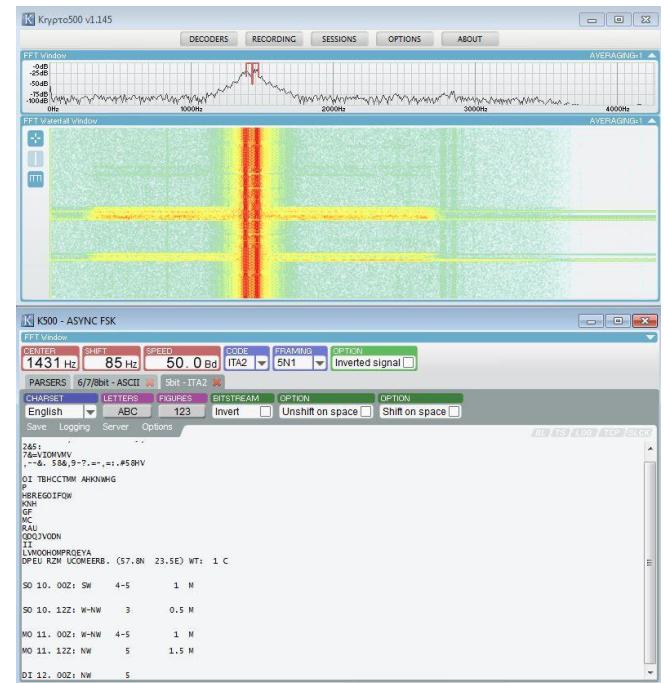
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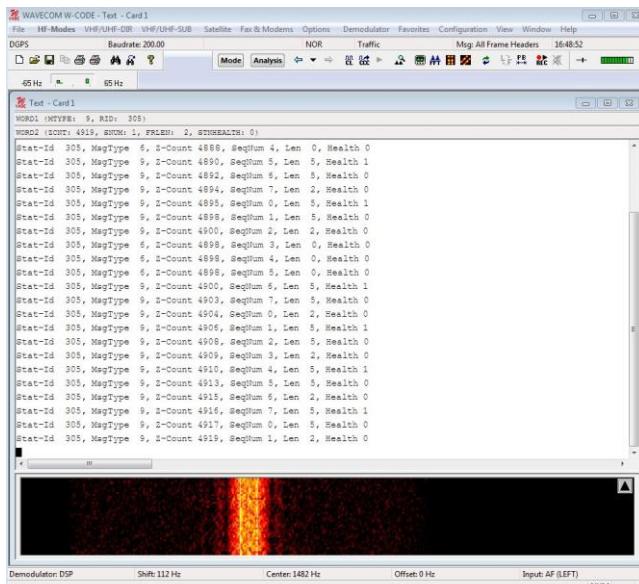
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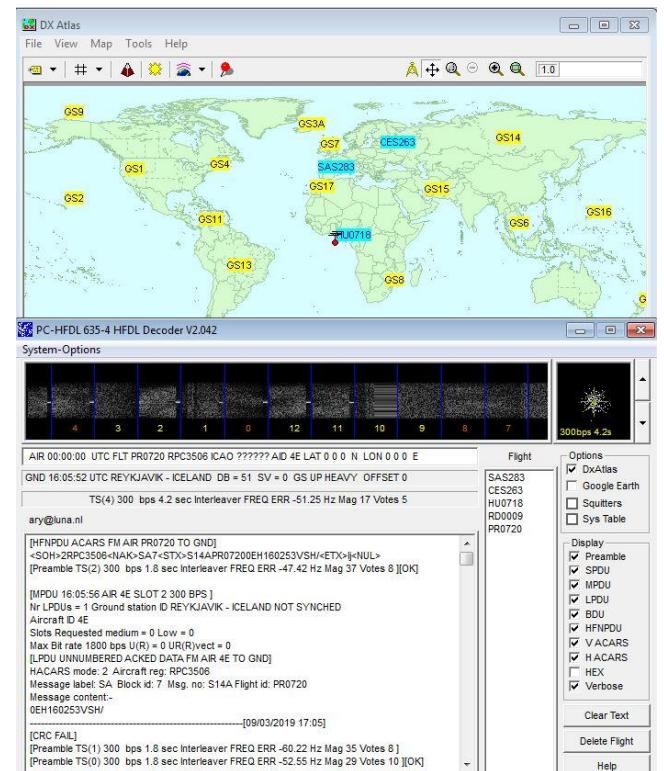
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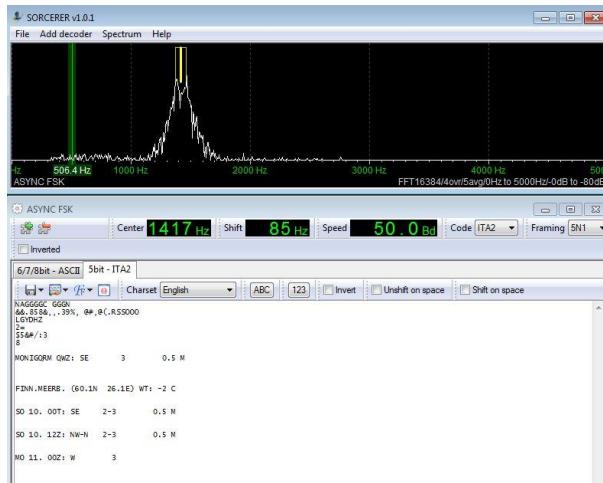
## W-Code



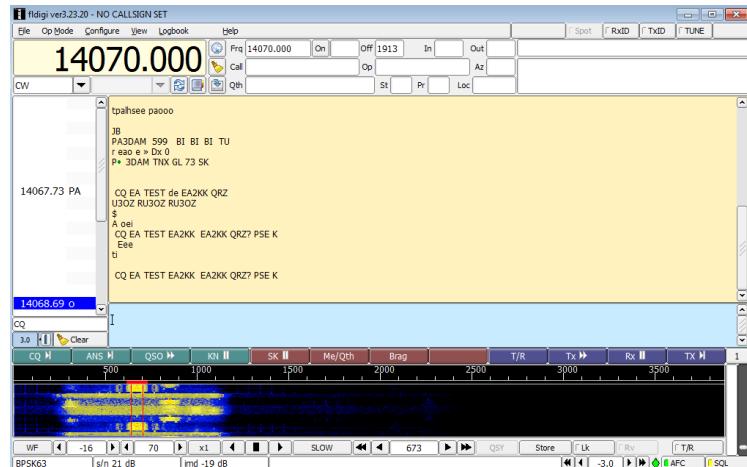
## PC-HFDL + DX Atlas



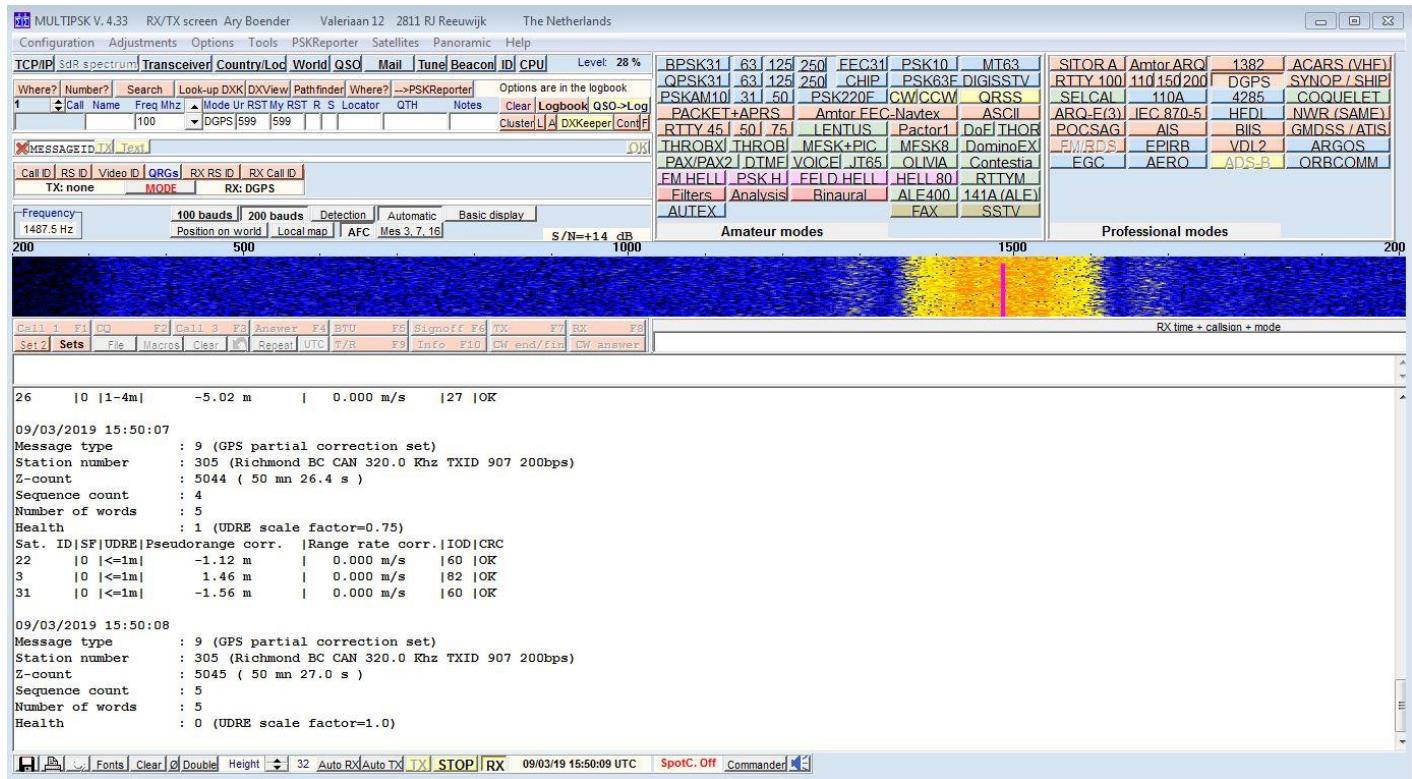
## Sorcerer



## FLdigi



## Multipsk



## Software

### Propagatie software / Propagation software

#### DX Prop

[DX Prop propagation software](#)

#### VoA propagation software

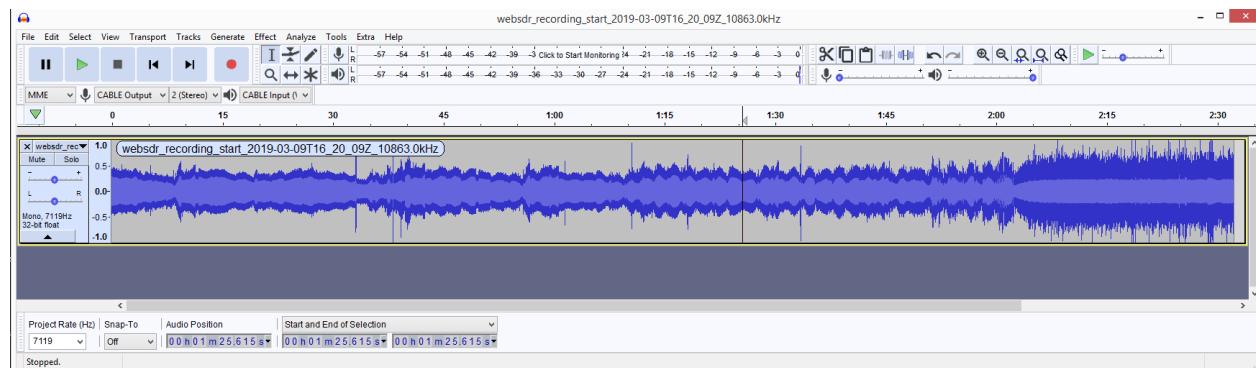
[HFWIN32 Propagation software for Windows-95 & NT systems](#)

### Mediaspelers en recorders / Media players and recorders

#### Audacity

Multi-track audio editor en recorder. Multi-track audio editor and recorder.

<https://sourceforge.net/projects/audacity/>

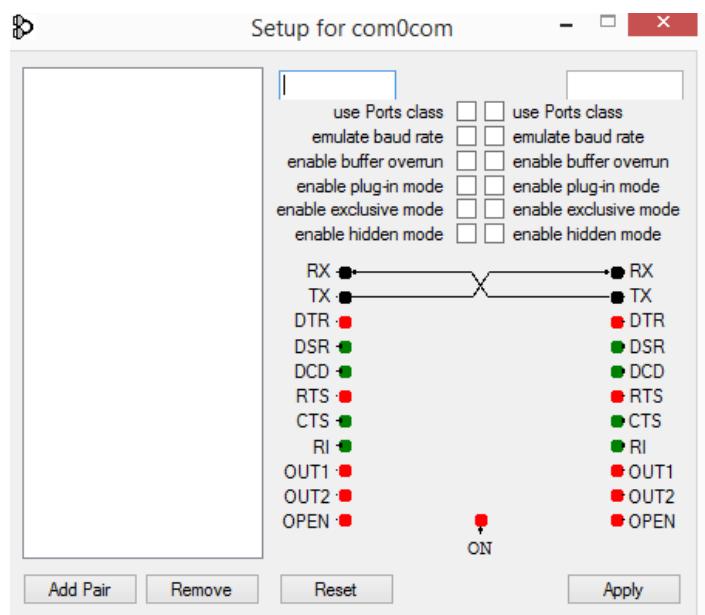


#### VLC VideoLAN

VLC mediaspeler / VLC media player

<https://www.videolan.org/>

### Virtuele Seriële Poort Drivers / Virtual Serial Port Drivers



#### VSPD Standard en VSPD Pro

<https://www.eltima.com/products/>

#### com0com

Gratis versie van VSPD / Free version of VSPD

<http://com0com.sourceforge.net/>

## Virtuele Audio Kabels / Virtual Audio Cables

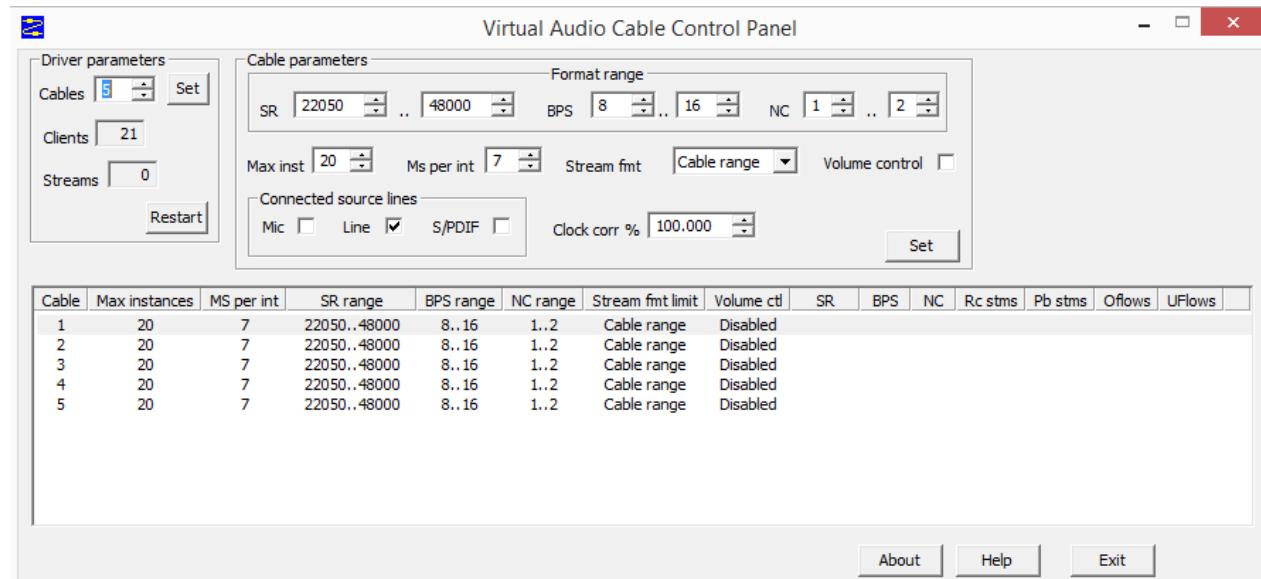
### VB Audio Cable

<https://www.vb-audio.com/>



### VAC Virtual Audio Cable

<https://vac.muzychenco.net/en/>



### Jack Audio

Runs on Windows, Linux and MacOS

<http://jackaudio.org/>

### Virtual Audio Capture Device

Runs on XP, Windows 7 and Vista.

<https://github.com/rdp/virtual-audio-capture-grabber-device>

### Vsound for Linux

<http://www.vsound.org/>

### Soundflower for Mac OS

<https://rogueamoeba.com/freebies/soundflower/>

## Spectrum Analyse software / Spectrum Analysis software

Software voor spectrum analyse is vaak handig en hoort wat mij betreft bij de standaard uitrusting. Ook deze zijn er in diverse gradaties, van simpel en gratis, tot heel uitgebreid en duur. Onderstaand een paar gratis programma's.

Software for spectrum analysis is often handy and should be part of the standard equipment. These programs are also available in various grades, from simple and free, to very advanced and expensive. Below a few free programs.

### Audio Spectrum Analyser

<http://www.techmind.org/audio/specanaly.html>

### Spectravue

<http://www.moetronix.com/spectravue.htm>

### Spectrum Laboratory

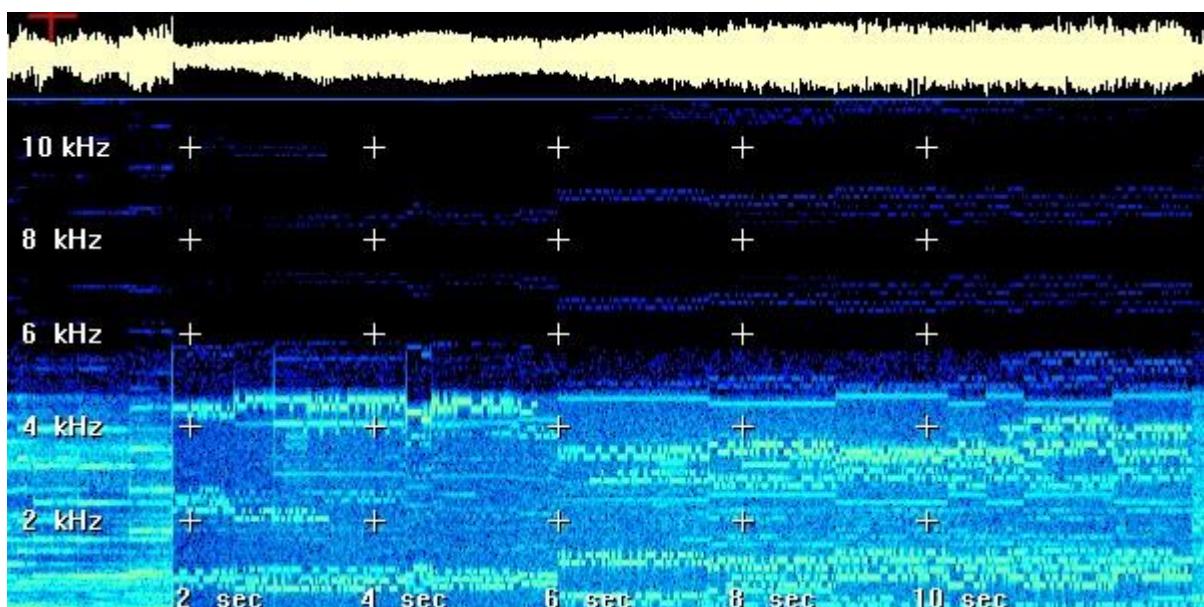
<https://www.qsl.net/dl4yhf/spectra1.html>

### Spectrogram

Freeware. Wat gedateerd en simpel. Versie 1.5 werkt overigens beter dan versie 5.0 (grote window)

<http://www.bro.lsu.edu/radio/Spectrogram/sgram.html>

<http://www.electronicslab.com/downloads/pc/003/index.html>



Spectrogram v5.0

## Identificatie / Identification software

### Signal Identification Guide

Een website met een groot aantal digitale modes met veelal geluid en waterfall plaatjes.

A website with a large amount of modes with recordings and waterfall images.

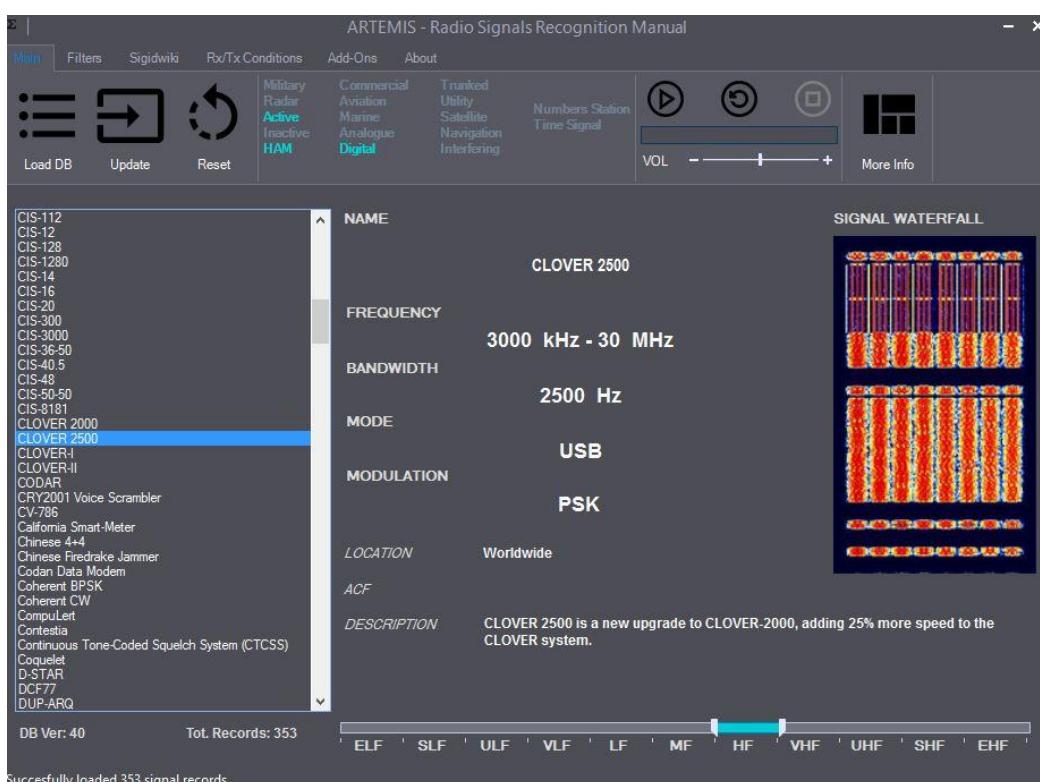
[https://www.sigidwiki.com/wiki/Signal\\_Identification\\_Guide](https://www.sigidwiki.com/wiki/Signal_Identification_Guide)

### Artemis

PC database programma met dezelfde gegevens als de Signal Identification Guide.

PC database program including the same modes and images as the Signal Identification Guide.

<https://aresvalley.com>



Artemis 2.0

## Utilities

### DX Atlas

Elektronische wereldkaart voor Radio Amateurs. Kan gekoppeld worden aan Multipsk, PC-HFDL, etc.

Electronic World atlas for Radio Amateurs. Can be connected to Multipsk, PC-HFDL, etc.

<http://www.dxatlas.com/>

### Display Launcher

Dit is een pakket hulpprogramma's voor mensen die naar digitale maritieme en luchtvaart stations op SW en VHF luisteren. De programma's gebruiken de data van decoders zoals PC-HFDL en MultiPSK en geven uitgebreide details weer op een spreadsheetachtige manier.

This is a suite of utilities for listeners to digital Aviation and Shipping networks on SW and VHF. The utilities take the output from decoders such as PC-HFDL and MultiPSK and display expanded details on a spreadsheet type of grid. <http://www.agenetools.com>

## Boeken, databases, tijdschriften / Books, databases, magazines

### ILGRadio

#### ILG – International Listening Guide

- Frequency database in CSV, text and dBase formats. Covers broadcasting stations and utility stations.
- Frequentie database in CSV, tekst en dBase formaten. Omvat omroep en utility station.

<https://www.ilgradio.com/>

### Klingenfuss Publications

#### Guide to Utility Radio Stations.

- Voornamelijk een frequentielijst maar bestaat voor een groot deel uit plaatjes van decoder schermen.
- Mainly a frequency list but a large part of the book are screenshots of decoder output.

#### Shortwave Frequency Guide

- Bevat zendschema's van lokale, internationale en clandestiene stations.
- Contains schedules of domestic, international and clandestine broadcasting stations.

#### Super Frequency List on CD

- Bevat de Utility Guide en de Shortwave Frequency Guide en oude frequenties.
- Contains the Utility Guide and Shortwave Frequency Guide and old frequencies.

#### Radio Data Code Manual

- Omschrijft modes en systemen die op de kortegolf gehoord kunnen worden. Niet meer bijgewerkt sinds 2008.
- Describes modes and systems that can be heard on short wave. It hasn't been updated since 2008.

<http://www.klingenfuss.org/homepage.htm>

### Roland Proesch

#### Signal Analysis for Radio Monitoring

- Dit boek is bedoeld voor de korte golf luisterraar, die geïnteresseerd is in digitale signalen. Op meer dan 400 pagina's met veel figuren en tabellen maakt de lezer kennis met de wereld van de signaalanalyse.
- This book is aimed to the shortwave listener, who is interested in digital signals. On more than 400 pages with many figures and tables the reader is introduced to the world of signal analysis.

#### Frequency Handbook for Radio Monitoring HF

- Dit boek omvat meer dan 18.000 frequenties van utility stations tussen 82 Hz en 30 MHz.
- This book contains more than 18,000 frequencies of utility stations from 82 Hz to 30 MHz.

#### Technical Handbook for Radio Monitoring HF

- Het technische handboek voor HF-monitoring is gericht op korte golf luisterraars, die geïnteresseerd zijn in digitale signalen. Op meer dan 500 pagina's met veel tabellen worden de meeste digitale golfvormen beschreven. Het boek zal de korte golf luisterraar helpen om deze digitale signalen die vandaag de dag te horen zijn te identificeren
- The Technical Handbook for Radio Monitoring HF is aimed to shortwave listeners, who are interested in digital signals. On over 500 pages with many figures and tables most digital waveforms are described. The book shall help shortwave listener to identify these digital signals which can be heard today.

### **Technical Handbook for Satellite Monitoring**

- Dit boek beschrijft satellieten, satellietsystemen en de gebruikte golfvormen. Het zal helpen onbekende signalen te identificeren die vandaag kunnen worden ontvangen.
- This book describes satellites, satellites systems and the used waveforms. It shall help to identify unknown signals which can be received today.

### **Technical Handbook for Radio Monitoring VHF/UHF**

- Dit boek beschrijft algemene golfvormen die worden gebruikt op VHF- en UHF. Het zal de geïnteresseerde lezer helpen deze golfvormen te identificeren. Systemen zoals AIS, ACARS, GMS, THURAYA en anderen worden beschreven met spectrum plaatjes en gedetailleerde technische parameters.
- This book is describing common waveforms used on VHF- and UHF. It shall help the interested reader to identify these waveforms. Systems like AIS, ACARS, GMS, THURAYA and others are described with spectrum pictures and detailed technical parameter.

<http://frequencymanager.de/>

<https://www.bod.de/>

### **Siebel/VTH**

#### **Not- und Katastrophenfunk auf Kurzwelle**

- Frequenties van kuststations en reddingsdiensten, GMDSS en achtergrondverhalen. Het boek is in het Duits en is sinds 2006 niet meer bijgewerkt.
- Frequencies of coastal stations and search & rescue services, GMDSS, and background stories. The book is in German and hasn't been updated since 2006.

#### **Zeit und Frequenz**

- Beschrijft Tijd- en Frequentiezenders. Het boek is in het Duits. Het is niet meer bijgewerkt sinds 2009.
- Covers Time & Frequency stations. The language is German. It hasn't been updated since 2009.

#### **Seefunk**

- Informatie over maritieme stations. Het boek is in het Duits. Voor het laatst bijgewerkt in 2009.
- Information about maritime stations in German + frequency list. Last update: 2009.

Website: <http://shop.vth.de/bucher/siebel-verlag.html>

### **UK Hydrographic Office**

- Het UK Hydrographic Office publiceert de ADMIRALTY List of Radio Signals. Professionele boeken voor de scheepvaart, maar ook interessant voor de utility dxer. Deel 6 is niet interessant voor dxers. De boeken zijn verkrijgbaar bij scheepvaartbedrijven of via internettwinkels.
- The UK Hydrographic Office publishes the ADMIRALTY List of Radio Signals. Professional books for the shipping industry but also interesting for the utility dxer. Volume 6 is not of interest for dxers. The books are available from ship chandlers or via internet stores.

ADMIRALTY List of Radio Signals Volume 1 (NP281)

Maritime Radio Stations (Parts 1 & 2)

ADMIRALTY List of Radio Signals Volume 2 (NP282)

Radio Aids to Navigation, Differential GPS (DGPS), Legal Time, Radio Time Signals and Electronic Position Fixing System (Parts 1 & 2)

ADMIRALTY List of Radio Signals Volume 3 (NP283)  
Maritime Safety Information Services (Parts 1 & 2)

ADMIRALTY List of Radio Signals Volume 4 (NP284)  
Meteorological Observation Stations

ADMIRALTY List of Radio Signals Volume 5 (NP285)  
Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS)

ADMIRALTY List of Radio Signals Volume 6 (NP286)  
Pilot Services, Vessel Traffic Services and Port Operations (Parts 1 - 8)

Website: <https://www.admiralty.co.uk/>

#### ITU - International Telecommunication Union

- De ITU heeft verschillende interessante publicaties. Ze kunnen direct bij de ITU besteld worden.
- The ITU has several interesting publications. They can be ordered directly from the ITU.

#### List V - List of Ship Stations and Maritime Mobile Service Identity Assignments

- Beschikbaar op cd en papier. Bevat alle geregistreerde schepen van de wereld. Inbegrepen zijn de namen, roepletters, GMDSS-informatie, enz.
- Available on CD and paper. Contains all registered ships of the world. Included are the names, callsigns, GMDSS information, etc.

#### List IV - List of Coast Stations and Special Service Stations

- Bevat informatie over alle nog bestaande kuststations.
- Contains information of all still existing coastal radio stations.

Website: <https://www.itu.int>

- Diverse gratis handboeken in pdf format kun je downloaden bij de ITU.
- Various free downloadable ITU Handbooks.

Website: <https://www.itu.int/pub/R-HDB>

#### Magazines

The Spectrum Monitor (pdf only) <https://www.thespectrummonitor.com/>  
Radio User (printed and pdf) <https://www.radioenthusiast.co.uk/>

Free historic radio magazines including Monitoring Times, Popular Communications and many others. All in pdf format. <https://www.americanradiohistory.com/>

When you look for it you will find many more magazines but all are radio amateur magazines and do not cover utility stations.

## Links: Radio related hardware & software

### Radio related hard- & software

- [AboutTime Propagation beacons](#) [MM Hamsoft](#)  
[AirNav Homepage](#) [MRP40 CW Decoder](#)  
[Argo Spectrum Analyzer](#) [Multi PSK](#)  
[Artemis - Mark's Lab](#) [NLSA Home Page](#)  
[Aviation Retail Direct](#) [Oliver Welp Amateur Radio SB Software](#)  
[Balloon Track](#) [PC-ALE Download](#)  
[BayCom](#) [PC-ALE file support site](#)  
[BCT15-X easy to read Scanner Manual](#) [PDW Paging Decoder](#)  
[BCT15X UnidenMan4 TWiki](#) [POCSAG Protocol Decoder](#)  
[Charles Brains](#) [ProScan](#)  
[COAA](#) [Radioscaner Russia](#)  
[Computer Aided Technology](#) [Reichelt elektronik](#)  
[CrypTool](#) [Rivet - GitHub](#)  
[CW Skimmer](#) [Rohde & Schwarz](#)  
[Digital Radio Mondiale The future of global radio](#) [ROS v5.5.7 Beta](#)  
[DIGTRX 3](#) [RTTY Software - DXZone.com](#)  
[DL4YHF's Audio Spectrum Analyser](#) [rx-sstv Freeware SSTV Software and SSTV Decoder](#)  
[Dream - User Guide](#) [shipplotter ShipPlotter AIS decoder](#)  
[Dream DRM Software](#) [Shoc](#)  
[DX Atlas etc.](#) [Sigmira](#)  
[DX Cluster - Show spots • SK6AW](#) [Signals Analysis](#)  
[DXsoft.com \(oa CW Get\)](#) [Signals Analyzer Secure order page](#)  
[F6GQK \[DXPSK\]](#) [Signals Analyzer's \(SA\) description in English](#)  
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[Great Circle Mapper](#) [Spectran](#)  
[Ham Radio Deluxe Downloads](#) [Spectran - A Spectral Analysis Tool](#)  
[HamSphere Radio Software](#) [SpectraVue™ License Agreement](#)  
[HFLink.com-software-](#) [TrueTTY Page](#)  
[Hoka Electronics](#) [TrunkView MPT1327 Protocol Decoder](#)  
[HOKA Italia](#) [Universal Radio, Inc](#)  
[iDXCluster DX Cluster Software](#) [W1HKJ Software](#)  
[Jan Arkesteijn](#) [Wavecom](#)  
[JVComm32.de Homepage](#) [WSJT Home Page](#)  
[MFJ Enterprises](#) [YADD & YAND](#)  
[Mike's Utility Programs](#) [Zadig](#)  
[MixW Homepage](#)

### SBS1 radarbox

- [BS Recording Search – Files Listing of http  
bsrs.jetvision.de](#)  
[Gatwick Aviation Society](#)  
[jetvision.de - SBS-1 outlines waypoints](#)  
[SBS-1 & SBS-3 Mode-S forum](#)



## SDR radio related software

[ADSBscope](#)

[SonicGoose How to Setup ADSBScope](#)

[RTL1090 ADS-B software](#)

[Elad Online Shop](#)

[Perseus SDR Home Page](#)

[Perseus Support Software by Alessio Miani \(hosted on SheevaPlug\)](#)

[HDSDR](#)

[Installing and using HDSDR - g4zfqradio](#)

[SDR-Radio.com](#) for SDR Console and Simon's World Map

[SDR# - Software Defined Radio](#)

[SdrDx OS-X and Windows software](#)

[DAB Player - Software für USB Sticks mit RTL Chipset](#)

[DAB Player von Andreas Gsinn - www.ukwtv.de - UKW-TV-Arbeitskreis e.V.](#)

[SDR-J Decoding DAB Radio in Software using RTL-SDR - rtl-sdr.com](#)

[Big List of RTL-SDR Supported Software - rtl-sdr.com](#)

[JB's Stationlist](#)

[List of SDRSharp Plugins - rtl-sdr.com](#)

[radio-portal Software Defined Radio](#)

[rtl-sdr – OsmoSDR](#)

[RTLSRD Scanner Ear to Ear Oak](#)

[RTLSRD Tutorial POCSAG Pager Decoding - rtl-sdr.com](#)

## Antennas

[Grahn Spezialantennen](#)

[HCDX Antenna Lab](#)

[LF Engineering](#)

[Wellbrook Communications Loop Antennas](#)

[WiMo Antenna, Amateur Radio and more](#)

## Other useful programs

[Agent Ransack - Free File Searching Utility](#)

[Notepad++ - Free text editor](#)

[LibreOffice - Free counterpart of MS Office](#)

COMport utilities

[com0com Null-modem emulator](#)

[VSDP - Virtual Serial Port Driver](#)

[Open Port Check Tool](#)

[Router Port Forwarding Guides](#)

Audio players and recorders

[Audacity Audio recorder and editor](#)

[VLC - VideoLAN media player](#)

[Total Recorder](#)

Virtual Audio Cables

[VB-Audio Virtual Cables](#)

[Virtual Audio Cable](#)

[Jack Audio](#)

[Virtual Audio Capture Device](#)

[Vsound for Linux](#)

[Soundflower for Mac OS](#)

## Weather satellite decoding

[Orbitron satellite Tracking System](#)

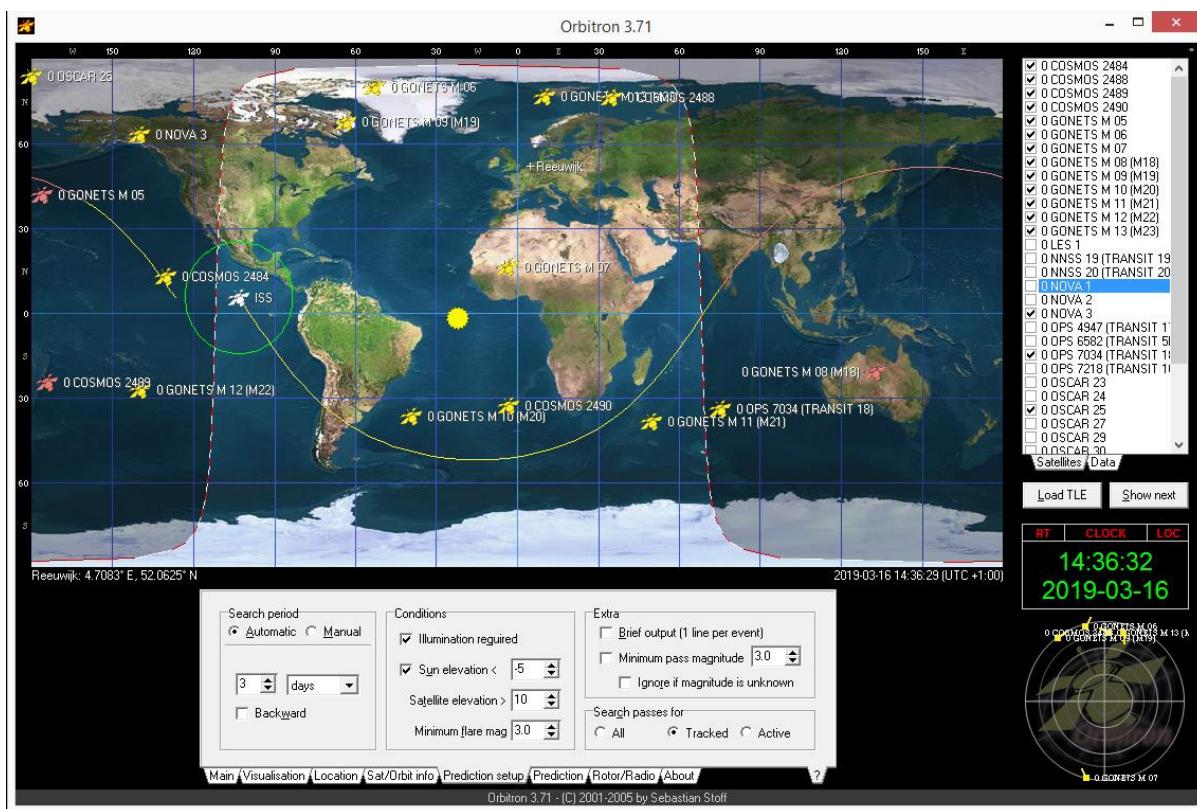
[Satellite Tools - from David Taylor, Edinburgh](#)

[WXSat Beginner's Guide](#)

[WXSat-Software Page](#)

[WXtoImg software to decode APT and WEFAx signals from weather satellites](#)

[WXtrack](#)



Orbitron satelliet tracking programma / Orbitron satellite tracking program

## Dutch radio shops

[Alle Kabels](#)

[AMCOM](#)

[AND / NAD Benelux - Home](#)

[Baco Army Goods](#)

[Circuits Online - Shops](#)

[Classic International](#)

[Communicatie Centrum Venhorst](#)

[Conrad Nederland](#)

[De Radiowinkel](#)

[Deltron](#)

[Dile online](#)

[Discriminator.nl](#)

[Dolstra Elektronika](#)

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[Flash Aviation website](#)

[Haje Electronics](#)

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[Van Dijken Elektronica - Van Dijken Electronics](#)

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## Links: Web SDRs and streams

[argon.printf.cc:8000/buzzer.ogg](http://argon.printf.cc:8000/buzzer.ogg)  
[CAMRAS - WebSDR](#)  
[De Leidsche SDR!](#)  
[Delicast](#)  
[ERcomER KiwiSDR Warschau](#)  
[GlobalTuners](#)  
[IK1QFK Monitoring Station - Live data](#)  
[Kiwi Groningen](#)  
[KiwiSDR Japan](#)  
[KiwiSDR Khabarovsk](#)  
[KNRM Ter Heijde scanner](#)  
[Live Tunable Receivers - The RadioReference Wiki](#)  
[Northland Radio ZMH292 | Bay of Islands remote receiver](#)  
[Online Receivers - Internet and Radio Online Receivers](#)  
[Radio Garden – Radio Présence](#)  
[SDR.hu](#)  
[SDRSPACE.com](#)  
[SK3W KiwiSDR Sweden](#)  
[SUWS Farnham WebSDR](#)  
[UVB-76 Live Stream Blog](#)  
[WebSDR in Hilversum, NL](#)  
[WebSDR in KO04SD Poland](#)  
[WebSDR on 160m in Bratsk, LOC OOO6UB](#)  
[WebSDR on 80m,40m,20m in Cherepovets City \(Russia\)](#)  
[WebSDR on Gerbrandy Tower in IJsselstein, NL](#)  
[websdr.org](#)  
[Wide-band WebSDR in Enschede, the Netherlands](#)

## Links: Utility radio related links

### Numbers stations related links

[Adachi's Numbers page](#)  
[Asian Broadcasting Institute](#)  
[Conet Project](#)  
[Cuban numbers station HM01](#)  
[Daily Beast - The Stupidly Simple Spy Messages No Computer Could Decode](#)  
[Deutscher Freiheitssender 904 auf www.radiohistory.de](#)  
[DX International radio From the archives The numbers station game Part 1](#)  
[ENIGMA2000](#)  
[Enigma2000 mailing list](#)  
[Four Zulu Five Tango Oscar](#)  
[Geheimezender.com • Ontvangst Rapporten](#)  
[Glenn's Computer Museum](#)  
[HF Underground - A look into shortwave number stations](#)  
[Mysteries Of The Short Wave](#)  
[New Star Broadcasting](#)  
[Numbers & Oddities \(Ary Boender\)](#)  
[Numbers station - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia](#)  
[Numbers Stations \(Dirk Reijmenants\)](#)

[One-Time Pad Generators](#)  
[Phone Trips](#)  
[Priyom.org schedule](#)  
[Radio Jamming](#)  
[Running a numbers station](#)  
[Simon Mason - Short Wave Espionage](#)  
[Spy Centre Spy Numbers Stations](#)  
[Spy Numbers Station Database](#)  
[Spy Stations and Cryptography](#)  
[The Spooks Newsletter](#)  
[Tomonori Izumi BBS](#)  
[V24 Korean Numbers Station](#)  
[Was RNI een cijferzender](#)  
[YouTube - Kanaal van X06Shadow](#)  
[Zahlensender - fading.de](#)

**Various blogs, forums, events, intruder watch, etc.**

[Antonio, JN52QV](#)  
[DARC Bandwacht](#)  
[DX Listening Digest \(Glenn Hauser\)](#)  
[EAM Watch](#)  
[HF Underground](#)  
[HFradio.org](#)  
[IARU](#)  
[IARUMS Region 1](#)  
[IARUMS Region 2](#)  
[IARUMS Region 3](#)  
[International Beacon Project Transmission Schedule](#)  
[International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend](#)  
[ITU home page](#)  
[ITU International monitoring](#)  
[ITU Radio Regulations](#)  
[ITU Reference Tables](#)  
[Militärischer Funkgeräte Bilder-Gallerie](#)  
[MT Milcom Monitoring Blog](#)  
[Museum Ships Weekend Event](#)  
[Night of Nights](#)  
[Now On The Radio \[Spy Numbers Station BBS\]](#)  
[Priyom.org](#)  
[Radio Reference Homepage](#)  
[Radiohobby Forum](#)  
[RadioReference Wiki](#)  
[Radioscanner](#)  
[Scannerforum](#)  
[Shortwave Central](#)  
[solarix.net · Listen Beyond the Horizon](#)  
[UDXF - Utility Dxers Forum \(Ary Boender\)](#)  
[UTDX](#)  
[Utility Listening - The RadioReference.com Forums](#)  
[Vintage Military Radio](#)

## LF, VLF, Navaids

[AirNav](#)  
[Alex's Longwave Page](#)  
[Hyperbolic Radionavigation Systems](#)  
[Johan Veldhuis \(bakens\)](#)  
[Low-frequency radio time signals](#)  
[LW Navtex Broadcasts](#)  
[Martin Francis - DX Radio Pages](#)  
[NASA online VLF receiver](#)  
[Natural VLF Radio - Sounds of Space Weather - Stephen P. McGreevy](#)  
[NDB List Information Page](#)  
[REU signals](#)  
[Robert Connolly](#)  
[Royal Institute of Navigation](#)  
[SAQ Alexander - Grimeton](#)  
[The 500 KC Amateur Radio Experimental Group](#)  
[VLF.it](#)  
[Wim van Beek \(bakens\)](#)  
[List of Navtex stations - Wikipedia](#)

## Propagation

[DX World propagation logger](#)  
[HF Propagation en Solar-Terrestrial Data Website](#)  
[HFRadio.org - Propagation](#)  
[High Frequency Radio Propagation - Current Optimal Frequency Chart \(AUSTRALIA\) for Shortwave \(SWL\) and HF Radio](#)  
[IPS Home Page](#)  
[NCDXF IARU Beacon Transmission Schedule](#)  
[Radio - Propagation - Chirperlist](#)  
[Radio Propagation & Aurora](#)  
[Radio propagation explained](#)  
[Radio Propagation wiki](#)  
[UMLCAR digisonde](#)  
[VOACAP Online HFBC - professional-grade high-frequency \(3-30 MHz\) point-to-point propagation predictions](#)  
[VOACAP Propagation Planner - HF contest & DX expedition planning tool](#)

## Timesignal stations

[BIPM](#)  
[BSF](#)  
[CHU Inst For Nat Measurement Standards](#)  
[DCF77 - Atomzeit mit DCF77](#)  
[MIKES - Mittateknikaan keskus](#)  
[Nat. Physical Lab](#)  
[National Institute of Standards and Technology | NIST](#)  
[NICT - National Institute of Information and Communications Technology](#)  
[OKOEPB](#)  
[Servicio de Hidrografía Naval \(LOL\)](#)  
[Time & Frequency Standard Stations](#)  
[Time and Standard Frequency Station TDF \(France\)](#)  
[VNIIIFTRI - State Scientific Metrology Institute, Russia](#)

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[CODAR Ocean Sensors](#)  
[Digital Modes samples](#)  
[Digital Modes used in HAM radio](#)  
[Digital Sounds](#)  
[DigitalModes](#)  
[Don Schimmel's Radio Intrigue](#)  
[Duitse communicatie historie](#)  
[DWD Deutsche Wetterdienst](#)  
[DX Info Centre](#)  
[EFR Internet](#)  
[EISCAT Scientific Association Tromsoe](#)  
[Fascinating Shortwaves](#)  
[Fishnetbeacons](#)  
[Global ALE HF Network](#)  
[HF Asia](#)  
[HFIA](#)  
[HFLINK - HF ALE automatic link establishment HF Link](#)  
[High Frequency Beacon - HF Underground](#)  
[Hurricane Watch Net](#)  
[IARUMS sound samples](#)  
[JMH schedules](#)  
[Kurzwelle info Oesterreich](#)  
[MF Marinfunk - Amateurfunk , \( RNARS , MARAC , INORC \) - Introduction](#)  
[MFSK16](#)  
[Military Standards \(MIL-STD\), Military specifications, handbooks Free](#)  
[Morse Code Operating Aids](#)  
[National HF RADAR Network » Surface Currents](#)  
[Nils Schiffhauer – DK8OK HF – All you can eat from zero to 30 MHz.](#)  
[NOAA Home Page](#)  
[Norkring Digital Radio](#)  
[NWS Radiofax](#)  
[Percoms HF & VHF modes](#)  
[planesandstuff Tony Roper](#)  
[PY1VHF Monitoring](#)  
[Radio Communications and Signals Intelligence in the RCN](#)  
[Radio Sonde](#)  
[RadioReference.com](#)  
[RailroadRadio.net](#)  
[Remote Imaging Group \(wefax\)](#)  
[RTTY.com](#)  
[SailMail](#)  
[SATERN \(official website\)](#)  
[Scanner page \(digi modes\)](#)  
[Shortwave Radiogram](#)  
[SIGINT Group Germany](#)  
[Signal Identification Wiki](#)  
[Signal Identification Wiki unids](#)  
[Signals - The HF monitoring site](#)  
[SOS 112 Europe](#)  
[Sound samples examples digi modes](#)  
[Spherix Systems](#)

[USAF callsign list](#)  
[Utility Monitoring Central](#)  
[Utility World](#)  
[weerballonnen Nederlandse stations waar weerballonnen worden opgelaten](#)  
[WERA HF-Radar](#)  
[World Meteorological Organization \(WMO\)](#)  
[World of Fuzzy and Modern Digital Modes](#)

## **Spacecraft, Satellites**

### **NASA**

[HSF - ISS - Shuttle tracking](#)  
[Human Space Flight \(HSF\) - International Space Station](#)  
[International Space Station Reference](#)  
[ISS Fan Club](#)  
[ISSTracker ~ Real-Time Location Tracking of the International Space Station](#)  
[Johnson Space Center](#)  
[NASA - NSSDC - Master Catalog - Spacecraft Query](#)  
[NASA Homepage](#)  
[NASA's Radio JOVE Project Home Page](#)  
[New Horizons NASA](#)  
[Science @ NASA](#)  
[Space Shuttle](#)  
[Ulysses project](#)

### **ESA**

[ESA Portal](#)  
[EUROSPACE - The Association of European Space Industry](#)  
[Space Expo](#)

### **Rusland / Russia**

[Baikonur Cosmodrome - The Big Picture - Boston.com](#)  
[Gonets](#)  
[Russian Mars mission](#)  
[Russian Space Web](#)  
[Space Research Institute\(IKI\) Home Page](#)  
[Zarya - Soviet and Russian Space Programmes](#)

### **Andere websites / Other websites**

[AMSAT USA](#)  
[CelesTrak WWW](#)  
[COSPAS-SARSAT](#)  
[DK3WN SatBlog](#)  
[DLR - German Space Operations Center](#)  
[Encyclopedia Astronautica](#)  
[Feedhunter \(Rini de Weijze\)](#)  
[Group for Earth Observation \(GEO\)](#)  
[Gunter's Space Page](#)  
[Jonathan's Space Home Page](#)  
[Kunstmanen](#)  
[Mike Rupprecht - Amateurfunk - Satelliten](#)  
[National Space Laboratory](#)  
[Nederlandse Vereniging voor Ruimtevaart](#)  
[NOAA Satellite Operating Status and Information](#)

[ORBCOMM](#)  
[Radio Astronomy](#)  
[RIG - Weather Satellite Information](#)  
[Ruimtevaart Nieuws en Technologie](#)  
[Satellite Ground Tracks](#)  
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[SKY Online](#)  
[Space.com](#)  
[SpaceDaily.Com](#)  
[Spaceflight Now](#)  
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[Space-Track](#)  
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[Tables of operational military satellites](#)  
[The Spacecrafts Encyclopedia](#)  
[Tier One - SpaceShipOne Home Page](#)  
[TLE - TS Kelso](#)  
[Tokyo Institute of Technology LSS CubeSat CUTE-I](#)  
[TSE The Satellite Encyclopedia](#)  
[UCS Satellite Database Union of Concerned Scientists](#)  
[UHF-Satcom.com - the online place for VHF to EHF satcom monitoring](#)  
[United Space Alliance \(NASA tv\)](#)  
[University of Calgary - Institute for Space Research](#)  
[Visual Satellite Observer's Home Page](#)  
[Weathersatellites](#)

#### **Shipping related links, Lighthouses, etc.**

**Vuurtorens / Lighthouses**  
[Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society \(ARLHS\)](#)  
[Commissioners for Irish Lights \\_ Loran](#)  
[International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend](#)  
[Leuchtturmseiten von Anke und Jens](#)  
[Lighthouse Directory](#)  
[Lighthouses in the World List of Lights beginning with A](#)  
[Northern Lighthouse Board](#)  
[Nederlandse Vuurtoren Vereniging – Baken voor nautisch erfgoed](#)  
[Nederlandse vuurtorens](#)

**Tracking**  
[AISLive.com - Live Ship Info](#)  
[Live Ships Map - AIS - Vessel Traffic and Positions](#)  
[Scannernet.nl - Live AIS](#)  
[Ship tracking and ship photos - vesseltracker.com](#)  
[Shipspotting.com - Shipsphotos](#)  
[Tall Ship Tracker](#)  
[Vesseltracker](#)

## **Andere websites / Other websites**

[Arendnet Scheepvaart Site](#)

[ATIS hoe en waarom Alles over de ATIS-code](#)

[Booreilanden](#)

[Dienst Der Hydrografie](#)

[Haven van Antwerpen](#)

[Hydrographic Institute of the Republic of Croatia](#)

[Hydrographic Society](#)

[IHO - Intl Hydrographic Org](#)

[IMO - International Maritime Organization](#)

[ITU MARS](#)

[Kielradio](#)

[Madrid Radio Servicio Manual - Frecuencias](#)

[Maritiemewereld.nl MTW](#)

[Maritime Radio Historical Society](#)

[Noble Drilling](#)

[Ocean weather ships](#)

[PCH Scheveningenradio](#)

[Penta Marine Radio Communications](#)

[Port of Rotterdam.com](#)

[Radio maritime day](#)

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[Seefunk.de Das Tor fuer Seefunker](#)

[The G4PYR MF Coastal Radio Website](#)

[USQUE AD MARE - The Weather Ships - Canadian Coast Guard](#)

## **Aero related links**

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[Airframes-Aircraft Database](#)

[AirNav Airport Information](#)

[Airport Data.com](#)

[AIS Netherlands](#)

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[British Airports](#)

[Dutch VACC](#)

[EuroCenter vACC](#)

[Eurocontrol](#)

[FAA Federal Aviation Agency](#)

[Planning Charts](#)

[ICAO](#)

[International Ice Patrol Home Page](#)

[Lookup Airport SkyVector](#)

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[Russian Airfield Database](#)

[RussianPlanes.net - фотографии самолетов и вертолетов](#)

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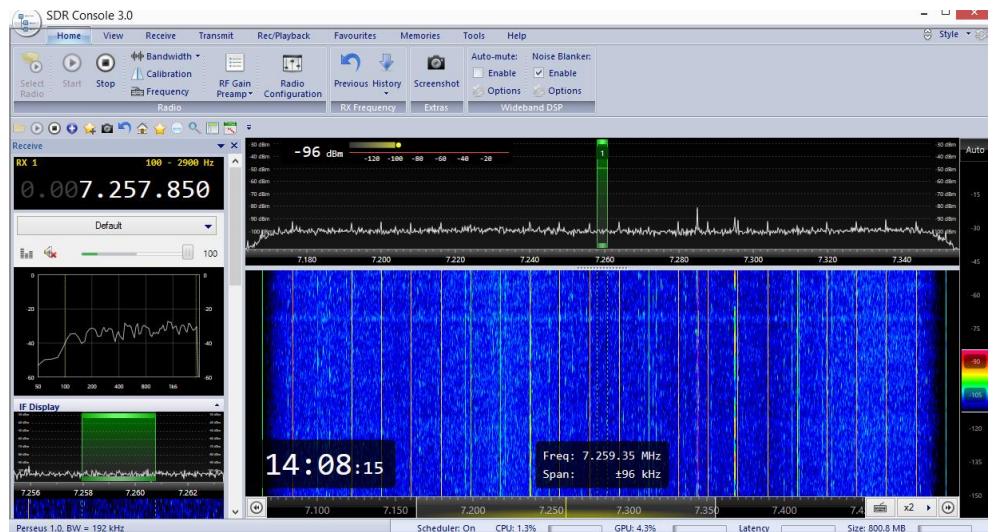
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