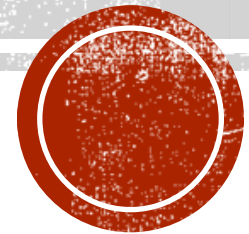


PHASE 4 GROUND

AMSAT Symposium 2017 Update



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I enjoy thinking and doing! Not necessarily in that order!

BSEE, BSCE, math minor, MSEE USC Info Theory

DEFCON, Burning Man, AMSAT, IEEE, 10-10, GNU Radio, community orchestra

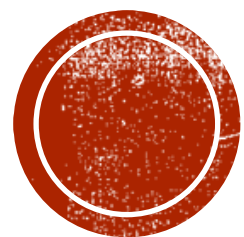
<https://github.com/abraxas3d>

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Just look for Abraxas3d





PRIZE TIME!

Stand up!

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- Have you ever attempted to write code for a mobile device of any type?



OUR CHALLENGE TO YOU

Phase 4 Ground radios have a lot of similarities to your smartphone.

Learning more about cellular and broadcast satellite protocols helps you become a much better advocate for modern amateur communications technologies.

AMSAT must implement and innovate upon modern digital standards in order to provide relevant amateur satellite service.

If you're unfamiliar with digital multiple-access broadband microwave communications, and want to get more involved, then we are here to help.

You do not have to be an expert to participate!



CURRENT TECHNICAL GOALS AND PROGRESS

- **Implement DVB-S2/X for amateur satellite and terrestrial use in GNU Radio.**
- **Provide both DIY instructions and a manufactured solution for this radio.**
- Design, build, and test a dual-band feed for 5 and 10 GHz applications.
- Design, build, and test DVB-S2/X specific receiver blocks in GNU Radio.
- Design, build, and test a GPU-based DVB-S2/X receiver.
- Design, build, and test an FPGA-based DVB-S2/X receiver.
- Design, build, and test an ASIC-based DVB-S2/X receiver.
- Design, build, and test a polyphase filter bank mixed-input design for the Groundsat.
- No crappy CODECs! All open source!



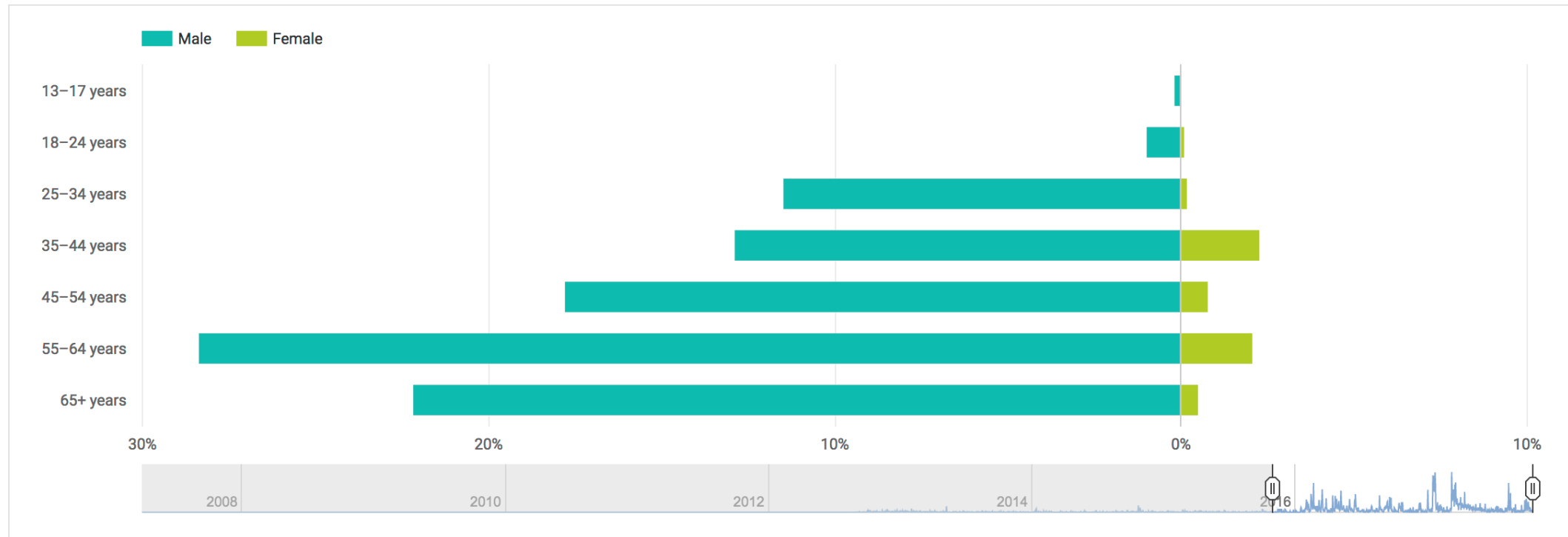
DONATIONS

- We have solicited and received approximately \$300,000 worth of donations since we restarted two years ago.
- The bulk of this was an HFSS license from AnSys for Paul Wade. They liked the idea so much they gave away another one to another ham in a different technical community.
- We are currently pursuing a launch donation from a non-traditional source.
- Other major contributors are Ettus Research and Xilinx Incorporated. These donations were coordinated to support Zynq implementations.
- Discounts for Red Pitaya, MATLAB, NVIDIA GPUs, and many other materials and software have also been successfully obtained.
- The large majority of recipients of donations have contributed. A small number have not contributed back to Phase 4 Ground or responded to inquiries about their progress. At this time, this has not changed our distribution policy.
- Some earmarked cash contributions to AMSAT for Phase 4 Ground have been claimed to have been made. We have not yet received a notice or summary of the availability of these funds. Should we do something differently about this?



DEMOGRAPHICS

- We have a poster session about this subject in the demonstration room, along with many technical summaries and a hackathon. Team is growing and diverse in at least age. Recruitment will continue indefinitely!



QUESTIONS?

