## 1. Requirements

- a) Software
  - 1. Laptop with Linux and (micro)SD-card slot
  - 2. `zstd` for compressing and decompressing files: https://manpages.ubuntu.com/manpages/xenial/man1/unzstd.1.html
  - 3. `gparted` or equivalent tool to format a USB-Stick
  - 4. `hawkbit.config` and `config.toml` Get both from Eric: <u>jedermann@cs.uni-kl.de</u>

# b) Hardware

1. Iridium Antenna Taoglas IMA.01.105111



- 2. Mounting hardware for the Iridium Antenna:
  - I. A ¾ inch (metal) pipe to screw on the antenna (length depends on the location)
  - II. Some zipties or pipe clamps to mount the pipe
- 3. Optional: Antenna extension cable
- 4. HackRF One
  - I. USB-microUSB cable
- 5. Temperature controlled oscillator (TCXO)

for HackRF One



- 6. Raspberry Pi 4
- 7. microSD card (>= 16GB)
- 8. Power Supply for Pi 4 (5.1V 3A)
- 9. USB-Stick with > 4GB
- 10. LTE & GPS shield SIM7600E-H
  - I. GPS antenna & GPS antenna connector (SMA → u.FL)
  - II. Optional: LTE antenna & LTE antenna connector (SMA → u.FL)
  - III. Small USB-microUSB cable (the large USB-microUSB cable is not used)
- 11. Optional: SIM-card
- 12. weather resistant DRI-box



#### 2. Software Installation

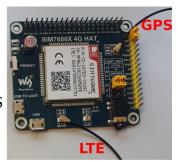
- a) Installation base Image
  - 1. Download the newest image (sdcard.img\_2.1.zst) from <a href="https://seafile.rlp.net/f/c172bc3898354b9a972f/">https://seafile.rlp.net/f/c172bc3898354b9a972f/</a>
  - 2. Unzip the image:
    - `\$ unzstd sdcard.img\_2.1.zst`
  - 3. Copy the image onto a SD-card using the following commands:
    - `\$ sudo dd if=sdcard.img of=/dev/mmcblk0 bs=4M`
    - `\$ sync
  - 4. Unmount SD-card and insert into the Pi.
- b) Installation Config USB-Stick
  - 1. get usb-stick with >4GB
  - 2. format usb-stick in "ext4" with name "discosat-data" (e.g. via gparted)
  - 3. mount the usb-stick and create the following directories on the usb-stick:
    - I. `/config/apogee`
    - II. `/config/secrets`
  - 4. download the two config files
    - I. `config.toml`
    - II. 'hawkbit.config'
  - 5. copy the `config.coml` into the directory `/config/apogee`
  - 6. copy the 'hawkbit.config' into the directory '/config/secrets'
  - 7. inside the directory `/config/secrets` rename the `hawkbit.config` to `.hawkbit`
  - 8. unmount usb-stick and insert it into the Pi

#### 3. Hardware Installation

- a) Place the Iridium antenna
  - 1. Find a spot to mount the Iridium antenna: a spot with free few to the sky, more free sky means a wider reception angle of the antenna.
  - 2. Mount the Iridium antenna there, using the mounting equipment. The thread of the antenna is facing downward. (so rain can not drop into it)
  - 3. If required attach an SMA extension cable to the antennas SMA cable. If so, wrap the connectors in tape to keep them dry.

### b) Core: Pi, Shield & HackRF

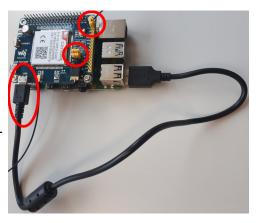
- Connect the GPS antenna to the `GNSS`-connector on the GPS & LTE-shield.
- 2. *Optional*: If you want to use LTE on the sensor:
  - I. Connect the LTE antenna to the `main`-connector on the GPS & LTE-sheild.
  - II. Insert the SIM-card on the bottom-side of the GPS & LTE-shield.



- 3. Mount the GPS & LTE-shield on the Pi:
  - I. Connect the two small spacers of the shield with the Pi, next to the power socket and the audio jack.
  - II. Press the GPIOs adapter of the shield on the pins of the Pi (with careful force).
  - III. Connect the two small spacers with the shield.



- 4. Use the small USB-cable to connect one USB port of the Pi with the `USB`-labeled micro-USB port on the shield.
- 5. Place the three jumpers on the shield:
  - I. Jumper on the big yellow pin-line in the upper position: [3V3 PWR]
  - II. Both Jumpers on the small black double-pin-line (next to the audio jack) in the upper position (away from the audio jack): [A]



- 6. Optional: If you have a TCXO to improve the frequency accuracy of the HackRF
  - I. Open the case of the HackRF.
  - II. Mount the TCXO on the corner of the connector line.
  - III. Close the case. (Maybe it will not close fully with the TCXO. Use tape for this.)





- 7. Connect the HackRF via a USB-cable to the Pi (preferably to a USB-3 port of the Pi).
- 8. Connect the Iridum antenna to the HackRF One.
- 9. Ensure that the config USB-stick and the SD-card are inserted in the Pi.



- 10. Connect the Ethernet cable to the Ethernet port on the Pi. (If you use PoE, put a PoE splitter between the Ethernet cable and the Pi. The splitter should be able to deliver 5V + 3A)
- 11. Connect the power supply to the Pi.
- 12. Place the Pi (with the shield) and the HackRF in the weather resistant DRI-box. The box has special outlets for the cables to prevent moisture to come into the box. On the outlets additional `hooks` can be mounted for securing the cable, to prevent the devices inside the box to be pulled out by the cables. Three cables should go to the outside now:
  - I. The Pis power supply.
  - II. The Iridium antenna.
  - III. The GPS antenna.
- 13. Mount the cover of the DRI-box and place the box on a safe spot to prevent falling down.
- 14. Usually the GPS-antenna can be placed inside close to a window, still providing a good GPS reception.
- 15. Power on the Pis power supply. The Pi should now boot and connect automatically to the networks server.