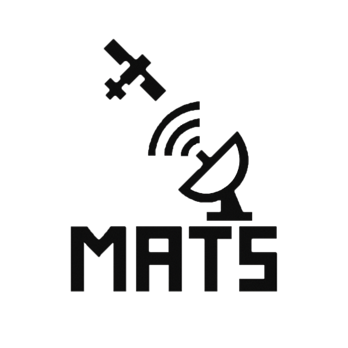
MATS Subsystem Test Plans

Mobile Antenna Tracking System (MATS)

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This document outlines the subsystem verification and test plan for the [subsystem name] subsystem aboard the MATS. This document will outline the objectives of the test, equipment and software required, as well as the procedures to verify the proper operation of the subsystem.

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## Subsystem Overview

The receiver is responsible for being the central processor for the MATS. Its duties include being able to track a satellite given the TLE’s in Gpredict, receiving signals from the tracked satellites and decode the signals using SatDump. The receiver is equipped with an RTL-SDR for signal reception and utilizes a Raspberry Pi 5 running Raspian OS for its wide software support and community. Additionally, the Receiver subsystem will be equipped with GPS such that SatDump can accurately decode the received signals with map overlays and timestamps. To support the tracking of the satellite, the Receiver utilizes its GPS coordinates and the TLE data given by Gpredict and sends position data to the Rotator.

## Subsystem Requirements and Specifications

To enable the Receiver to function accurately and be integrated into the MATS successfully, the Receiver has the following signal characteristics and requirements.

Table 5: Receiver Subsystem Requirements

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| **Receiver Subsystem** |  |
| Power Requirement | 5VDC 5A |
| I/O Characteristics | USB2-A Interface HDMI I2C |
| Receiving Equipment | 50Ω Antenna line  External SMA Antenna Connector |
| Software | Raspbian OS  SatDump  Gpredict  RTL-SDR drivers/software |

## Objectives

The objectives for testing the receiver include verifying that the receiver has the correct drivers and software stack, being able to receive satellite communication downlinks, and decode these downlinks into meaningful data. Subsystem components that will be tested include:

* Installation of the correct RTL-SDR Drivers
* I2C enabled
* Correct software stack installed
  + SatDump
  + GPredict
  + GPS Driver
  + SDR++
* Reception of common satellites
* Satellite transmission decodes

These objectives ensure that the receiver can correctly send commands via I2C, receive and decode Satellite transmissions. Early testing to verify the I2C bus sends the correct 32 bits will also be executed, ensuring smooth integration with the rotator.

## Required Equipment

The required equipment to test the Receiver can be found below. Additionally, the testing scripts and programs can be found at the project’s GitHub[[1]](#footnote-2). Required hardware testing is as follows:

* Receiver hardware
* Analog Discovery 2
* V-Dipole if testing VHF or equivalent L-band antenna if testing using L-band (can substitute for other antennas as region requires.)
* Multimeter

Optional equipment is listed below for use with certain testing scripts and hardware but not necessarily required:

* Laptop with serial port
* NanoVNA
* LNA/LNB for satellite reception (Satellite Dependent)

## Testing Procedure

### Correct Drivers Installed

### I2C Enable

### Installed Software Stack

### Satellite Reception

### Satellite Transmission Decoding

## Subsystem Test Results

1. <https://github.com/ZacharyRMu/MATS> [↑](#footnote-ref-2)