# **Hummingboard Radio Collect Instructions**

# 1. Unit Descriptions:

Unit 0:

hostname: cubox-00-i username: aanderson password: changeme

description: older unit requiring WiFi dongle

ssh example:

\$ ssh aanderson@cubox-00-i.local

Unit 1:

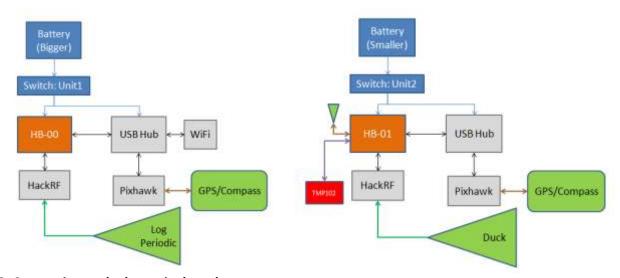
hostname: cubox-01-i username: aanderson password: changeme

description: newer unit with integrated WiFi

ssh example:

\$ ssh aanderson@cubox-01-i.local

# 2. Connectivity Diagram:



# 3. Connecting to the hummingboards:

Currently both boards are configured to connect to a WiFi network with the following credentials:

ssid="cubox\_network" key\_mgmt=WPA-PSK psk="analog\_password" In order to connect to them, you'll need to set your computer to act as a mobile hotspot using with that SSID, password (psk), and security set to WPA-PSK. This is easily done through Ubuntu (and MACs I think).

### 4. Hummingboard File System Setup:

Both units are equipped with 128GB SSDs. Each unit is configured identically with:

/dev/sda1 -> 10GB partition devoted to swap, automatically mounted at boot up

/dev/sda2 -> remainder of 128GB SSD devoted to data storage

/dev/sda2 -> /mnt/data (mounted to this directory automatically on boot, collected data is written here)

/home/aanderson/ros-sdr -> contains all files relevant for data collect

/home/aanderson/ros-sdr/proto -> contains makefiles for protobuffer code and basic data processing

python script: sdr\_data\_recs.py

/home/aanderson/ros-sdr/catkin\_ws -> ROS workspace

/home/aanderson/ros-sdr/catkin\_ws/ -> ROS workspace

/home/aanderson/ros-sdr/catkin ws/src/ros sdr -> Contains all files relevant to data collect

/home/aanderson/ros-sdr/catkin\_ws/src/ros\_sdr/src -> has source files relevant to data collect

/home/aanderson/ros-sdr/catkin\_ws/src/ros\_sdr/scripts -> <a href="https://home/aanderson/ros-sdr/catkin\_ws/launch">home/aanderson/ros-sdr/catkin\_ws/launch</a> <a href="https://commons.com/catkin\_ws/launch">contains bash script to launch collect: balloon\_launch.sh">balloon\_launch.sh</a>

### 5. Power up Procedure:

- 1. Flip switch on the side of the box for both units. The batteries should detect load and turn on.
- 2. Boot up takes ~2 minutes.
- 3. After 2 minutes SSH into the devices.

#### 6. Launching a Collect:

In the directory:

/home/aanderson/ros-sdr/catkin\_ws/launch

run:

\$ ./balloon\_launch.sh

this will execute the full collect based on this script:

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#!/bin/bash
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source ../devel/setup.bash # Source the setup file before run
roslaunch mavros px4.launch & # launch the mavros script to start roscore and run the pixhawk
sleep 10s # sleep for 10 seconds to let the mavros script startup
rosrun temp_mon temp_mon_node & # run the temperature monitoring node if it's attached
sleep 2s # sleep for 2 seconds to let the temperature monitoring come up
rosrun ros_sdr hackrf_sdr & # turn on the hackrf
sleep 5s # wait 5 seconds while the hackrf comes up and is set in default mode
roslaunch ros_sdr sdr_rec.launch & # launch the recorder, launch file connects relevant topics
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sleep 5s # sleep for 5 seconds while the recorder comes up
rosrun ros\_sdr atsc\_tuner.py & # start the actual tuner and trigger the start of recordings

The sleep times are likely conservative, but recording will start 10+2+5+5=22 seconds this script is launched.

This script is currently configured for an atsc collect. A new recording script will need to be generated, put in the ros\_sdr/scripts directory, and the highlighted line in the balloon\_launch.sh script will need to be updated!

Once a launch is triggered, simply close the terminal connection. The & call at the end of each line in the bash script means independent threads will be generated and run so even a ctrl+c shouldn't kill the run.

### 7. Transferring Data Off:

An example command to transfer data is:

 $local\_machine\$ scp \ aanderson@cubox-01-i.local:/mnt/data/atsc-iq-2015-12-XX-XX-XX-part000X.hackrf\_data < name of local file.bin>local\_machine\$ scp \ aanderson@cubox-01-i.local:/mnt/data/atsc-iq-XXXXXX.proto < name of local file.proto>$ 

For post processing:

sdr\_data\_recs.py - can be used to process proto buffer meta data and extract desired IQ runs FFT\_conv\_code -> Comming soon! used to process ATSC files in MATLAB

### 8. Troubleshooting

- 1. If an error message comes up during the launch sequence relating to resource being busy on pixhawk, power cycle the pixhawk and look for /dev/ttyACM0 to show up.
- 2. If an error is reported that the recording file cannot be created, look at /mnt/data, check to make sure the directory exists, use command:

\$ mount

to confirm /dev/sda2 is mounted properly. If not attempt to mount with:

# mount /dev/sda2 /mnt/data

Then confirm permission on /mnt/data, if necessary execute:

# chmod 777 /mnt/data

3. If the hackrf is not found try:

\$ hackrf info

if this doesn't report a device found, look in /dev for the hackrf. If it's there, check permissions and modify them if necessary if it's not, try power cycling the hackrf and starting the script again.