

GNU Radio ile Uygulamalı Haberleşme Sistemleri-II

Linux Kış Kampı
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Outline

Quick Recap

SDR Intro

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Spectrum Monitoring

SDR Architectures

Recap - GNU Radio

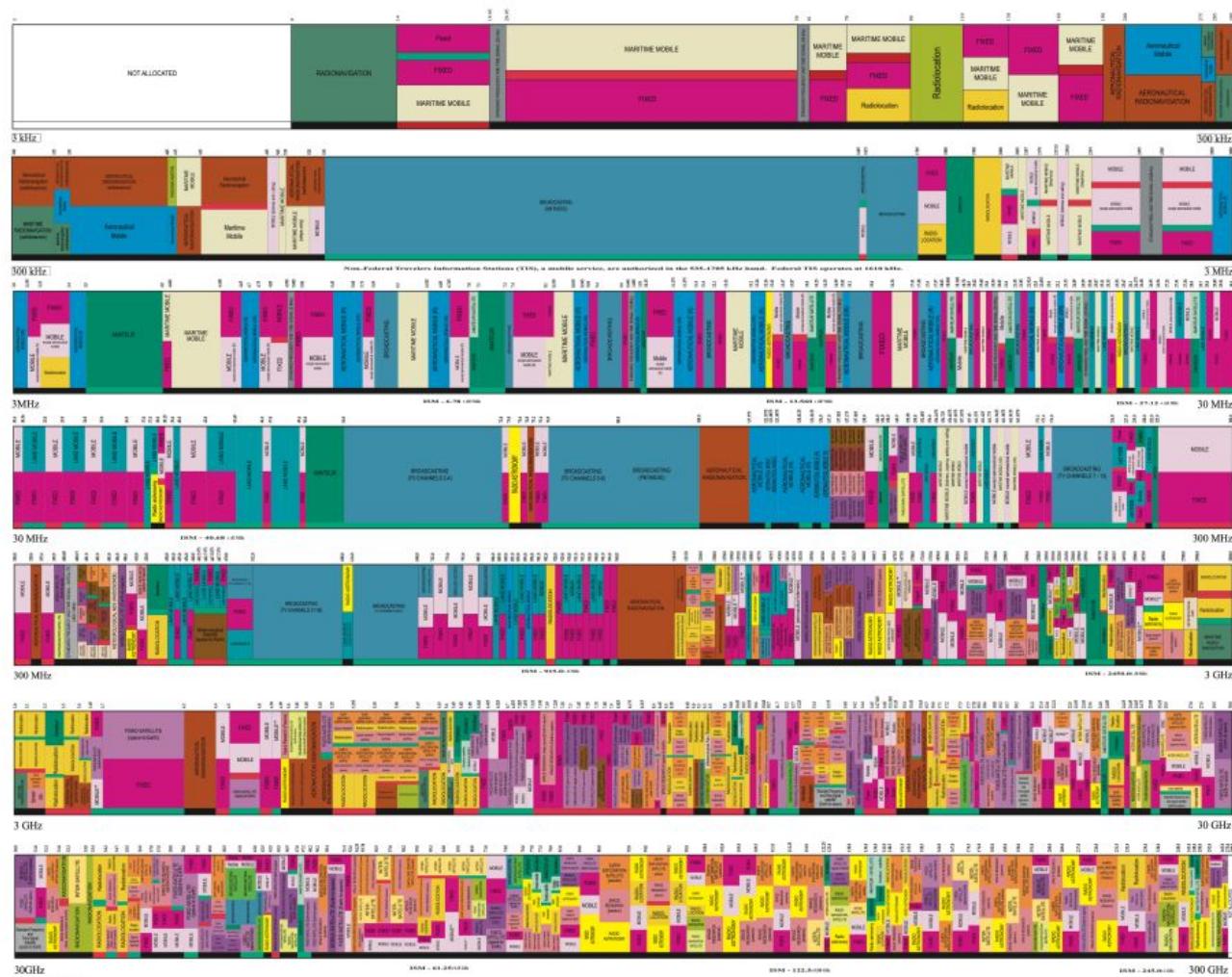
- Create a flowgraph that generates # dial tone

Schedule

- First Day: GNU Radio Introduction, DSP, GR Simulation Mode
- **Second Day: SDR Introduction, RTL-SDR, GR Real-Time Mode**
- Third Day: Analog Communications
- Fourth Day: Digital Communications

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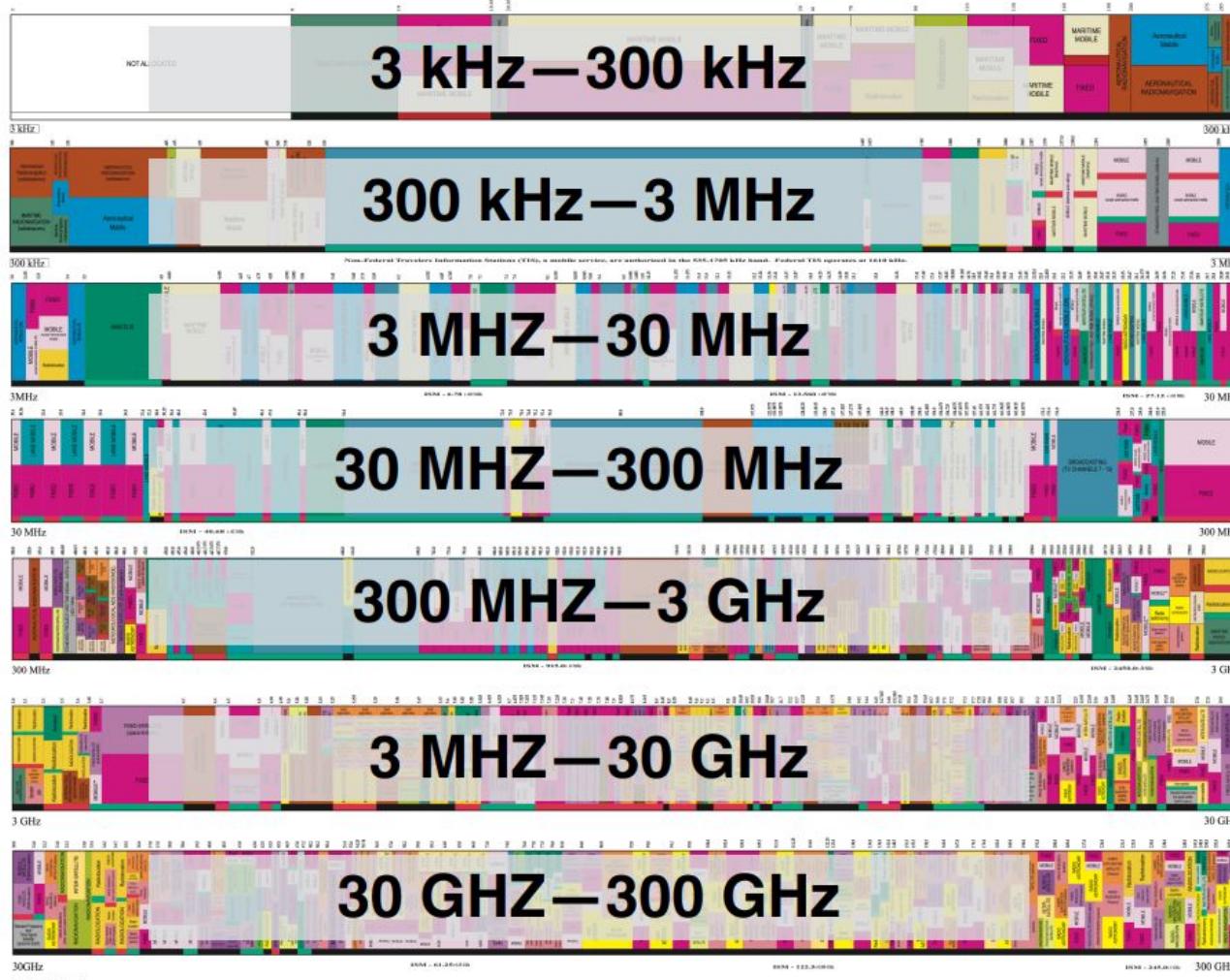
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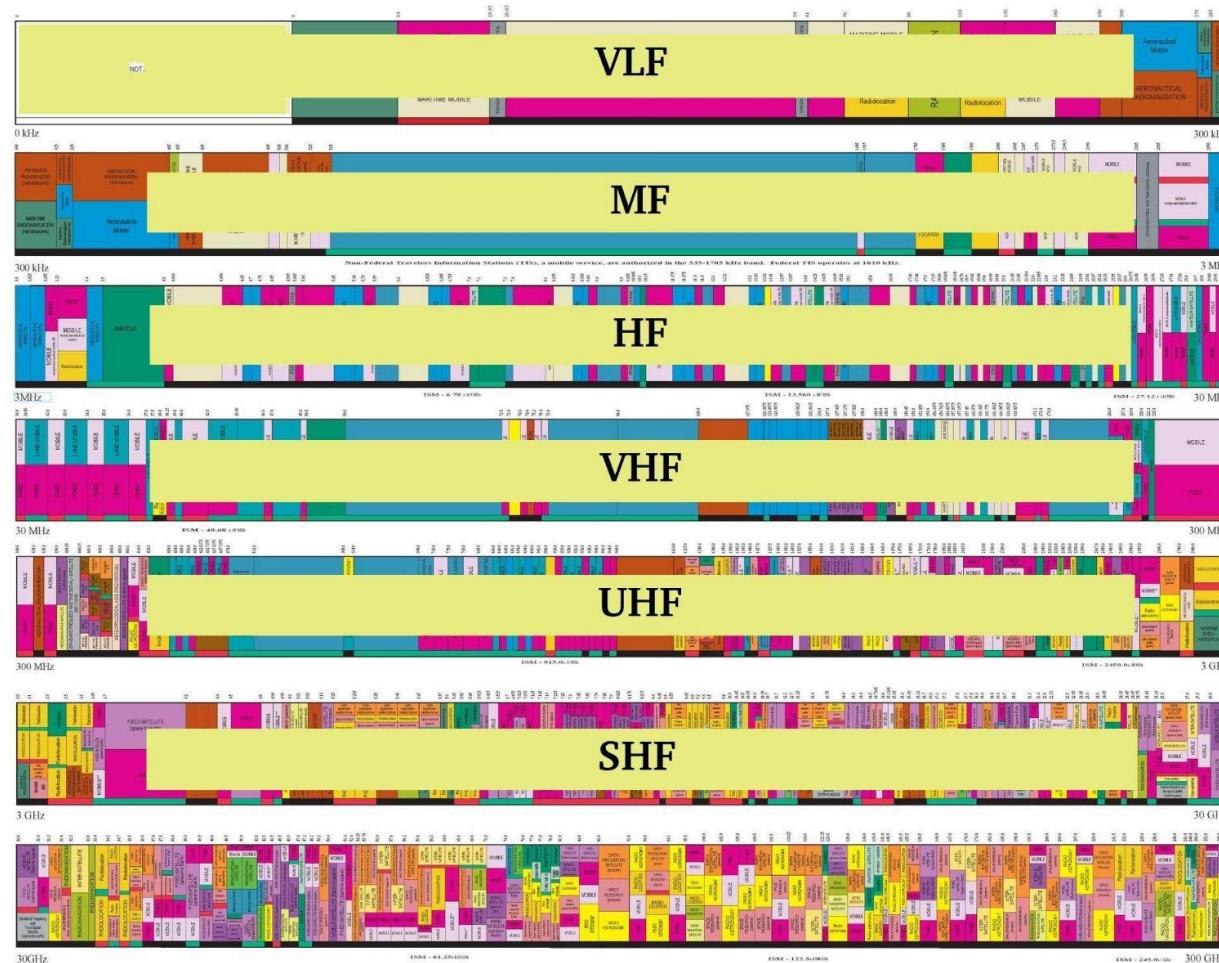


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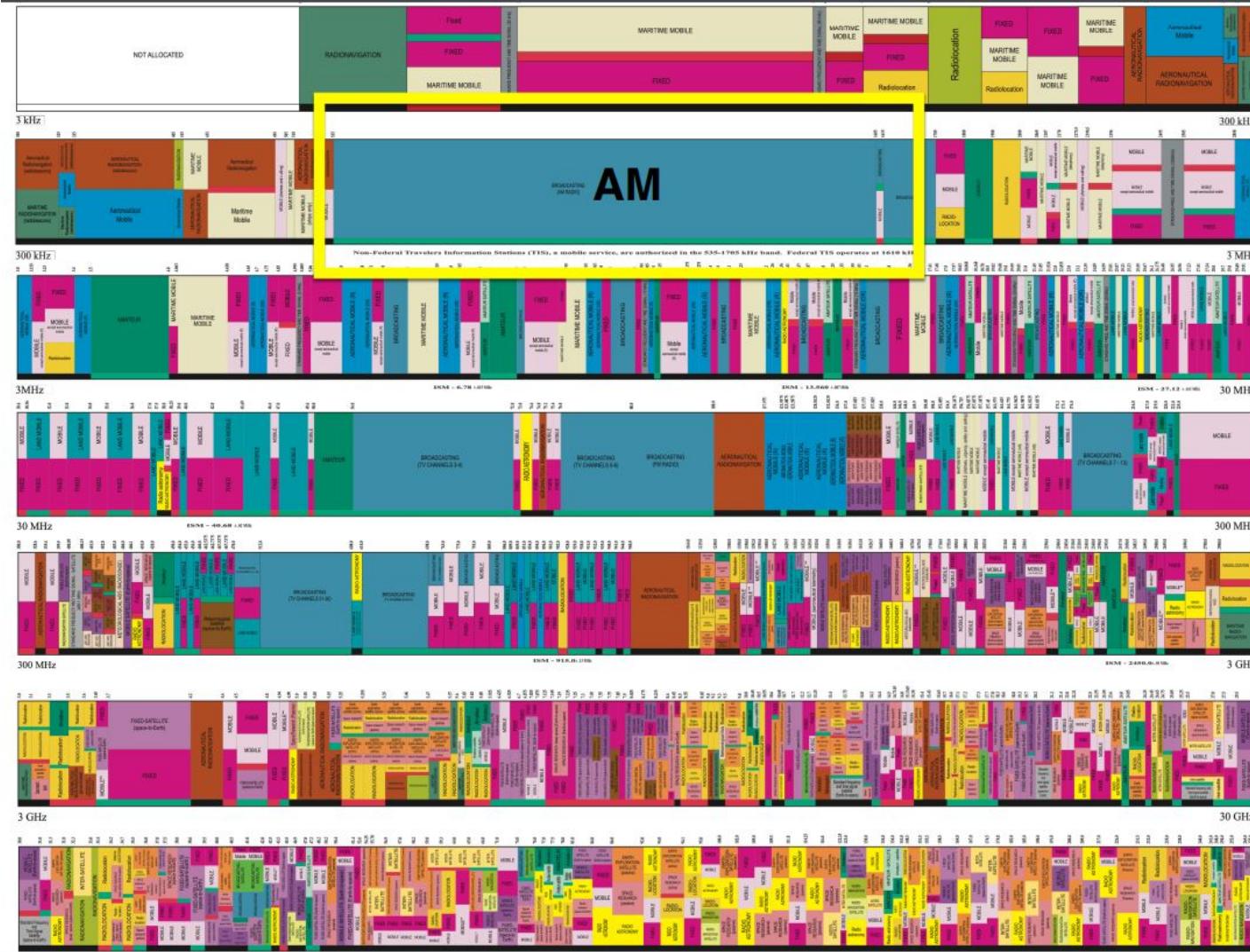
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Primary	FCC	Capital Letter
Secondary	Mobile	Capital letter in lower case letters

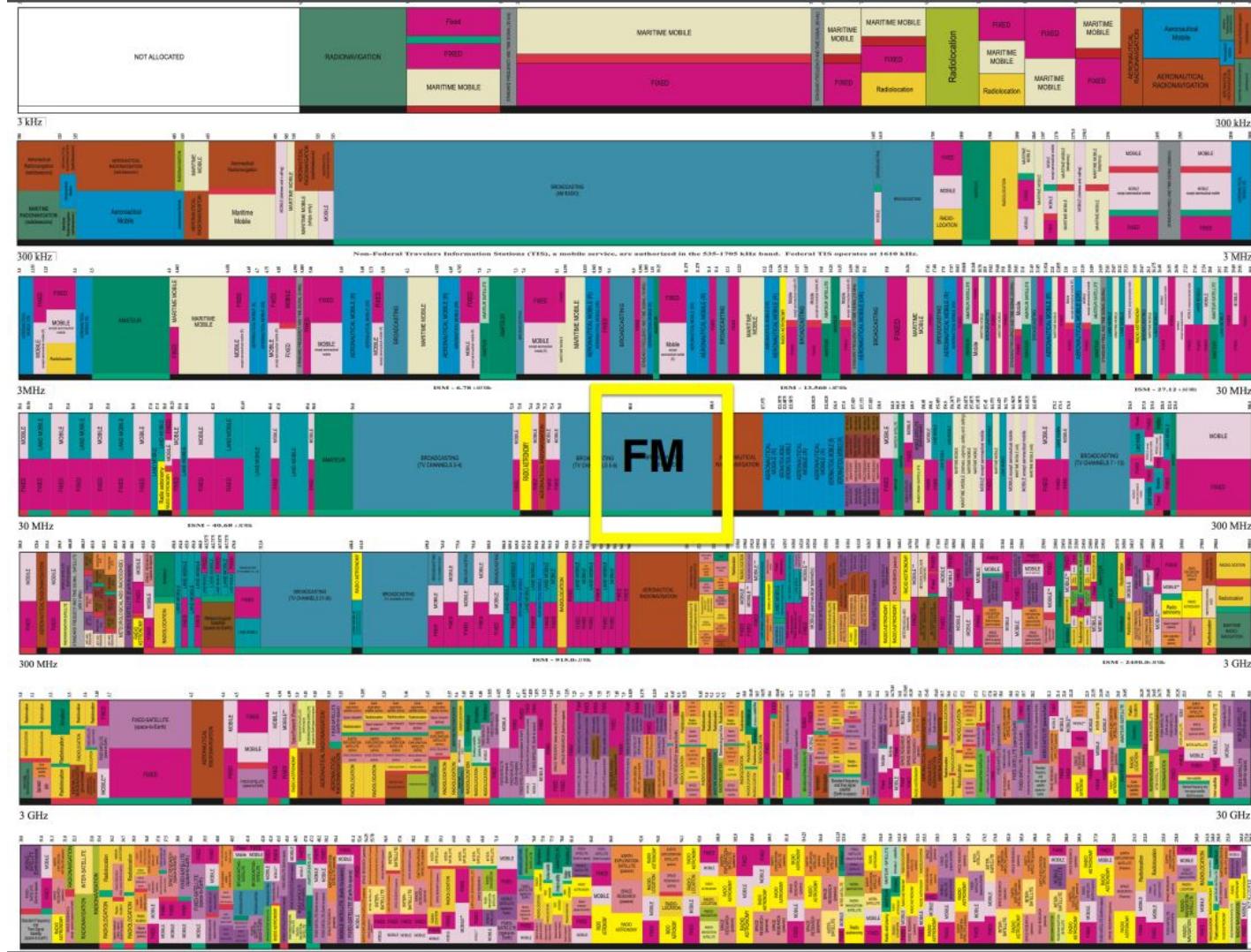
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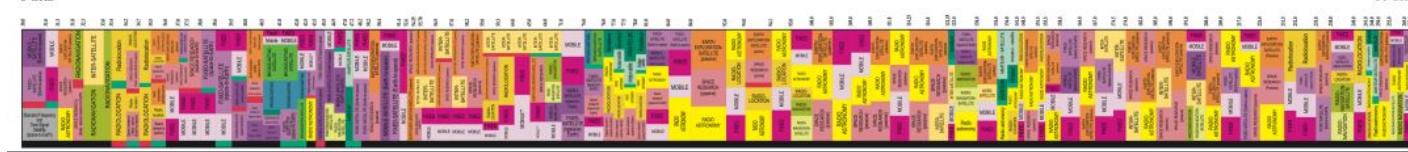
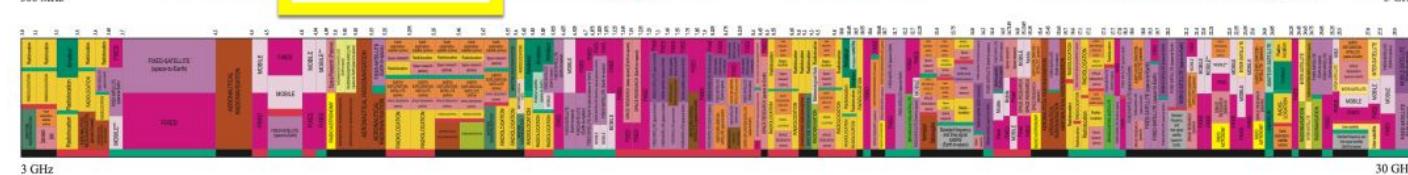
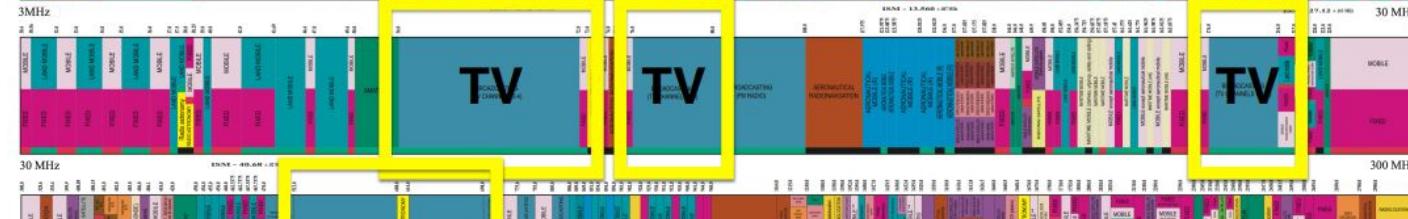
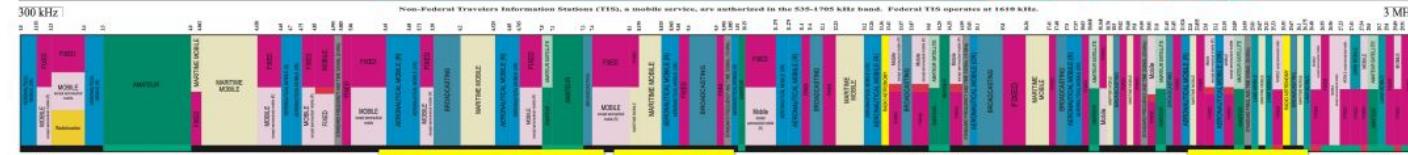
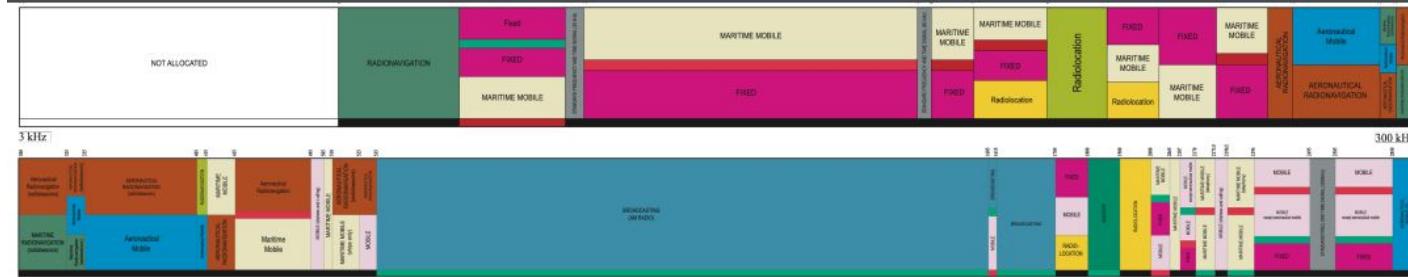
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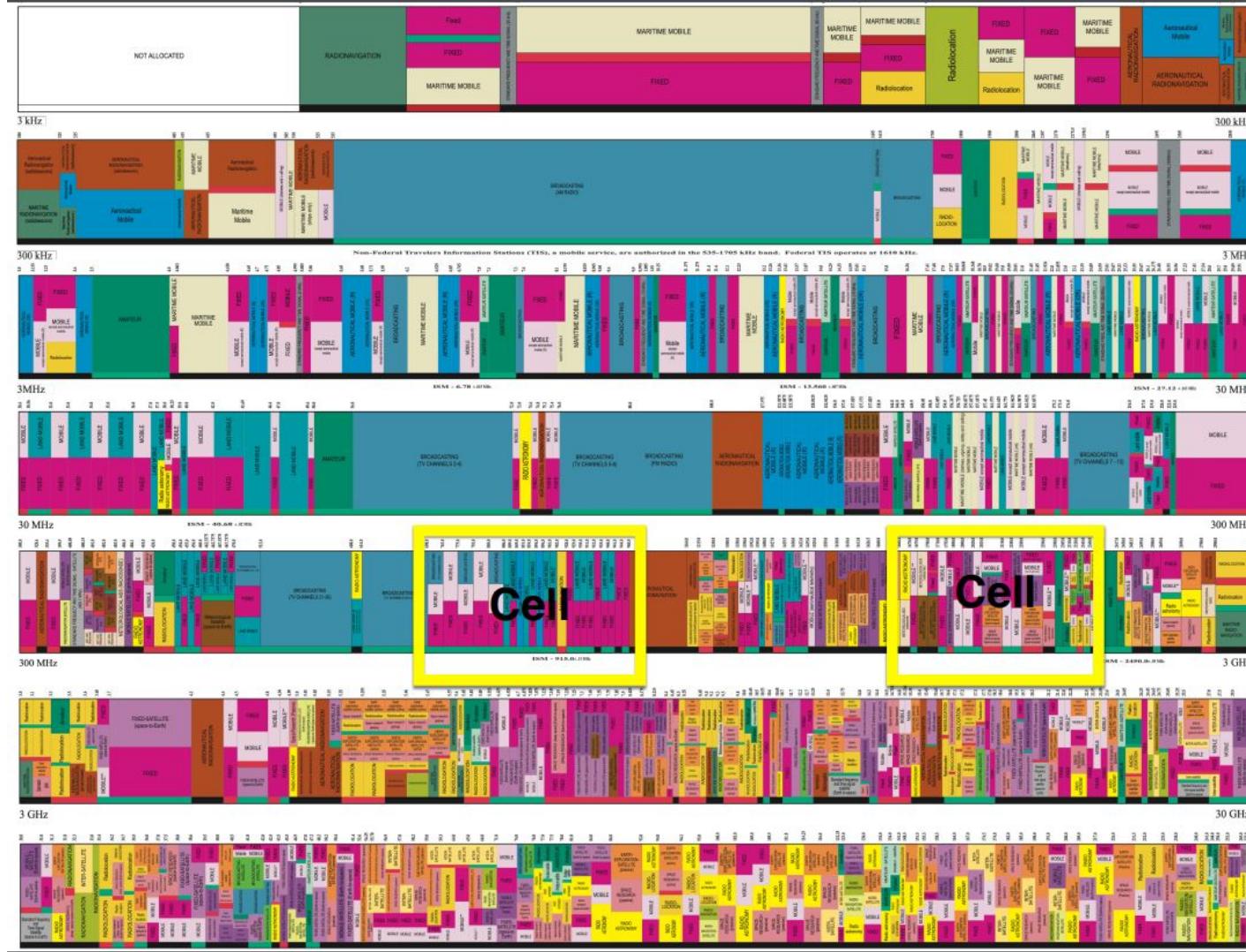


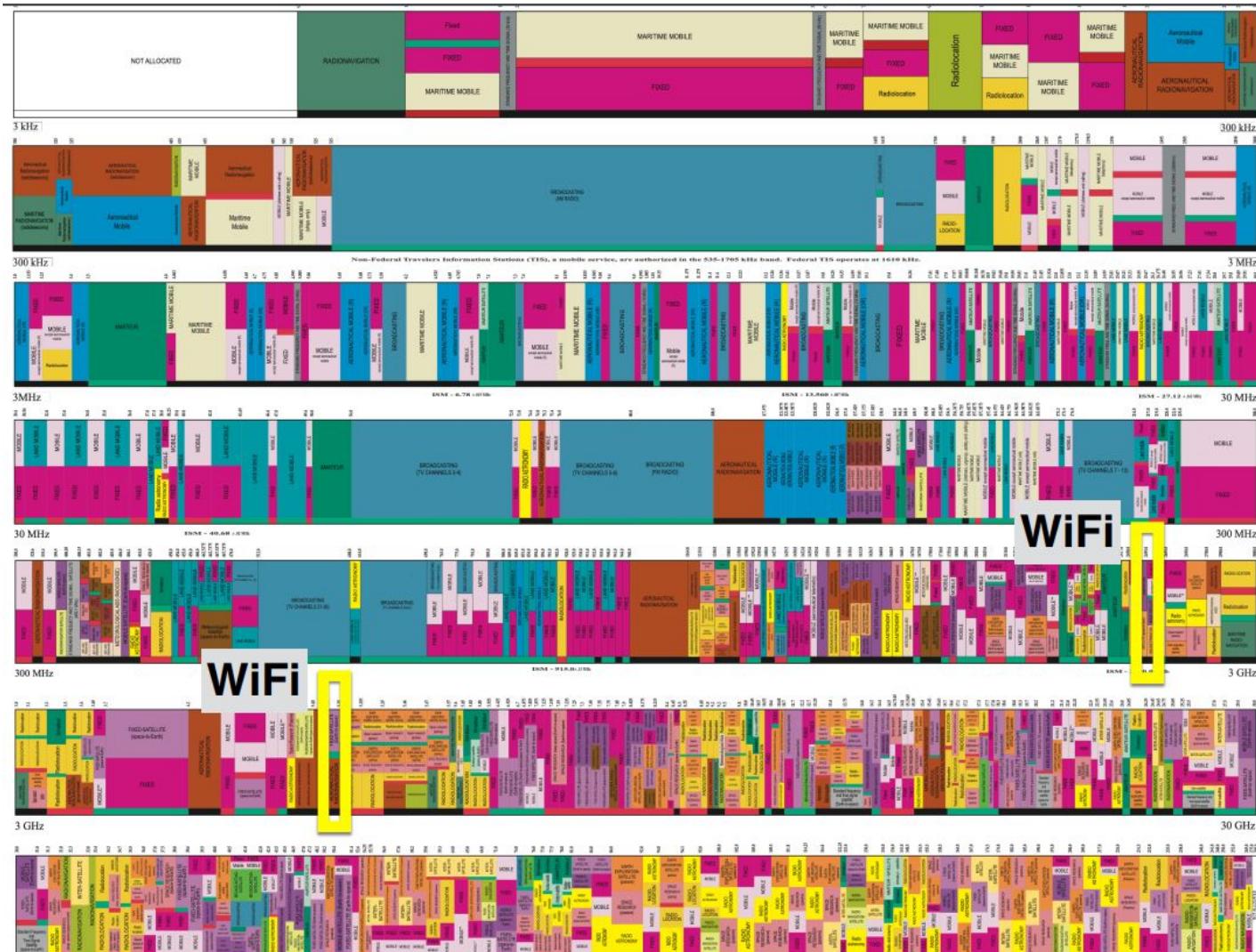
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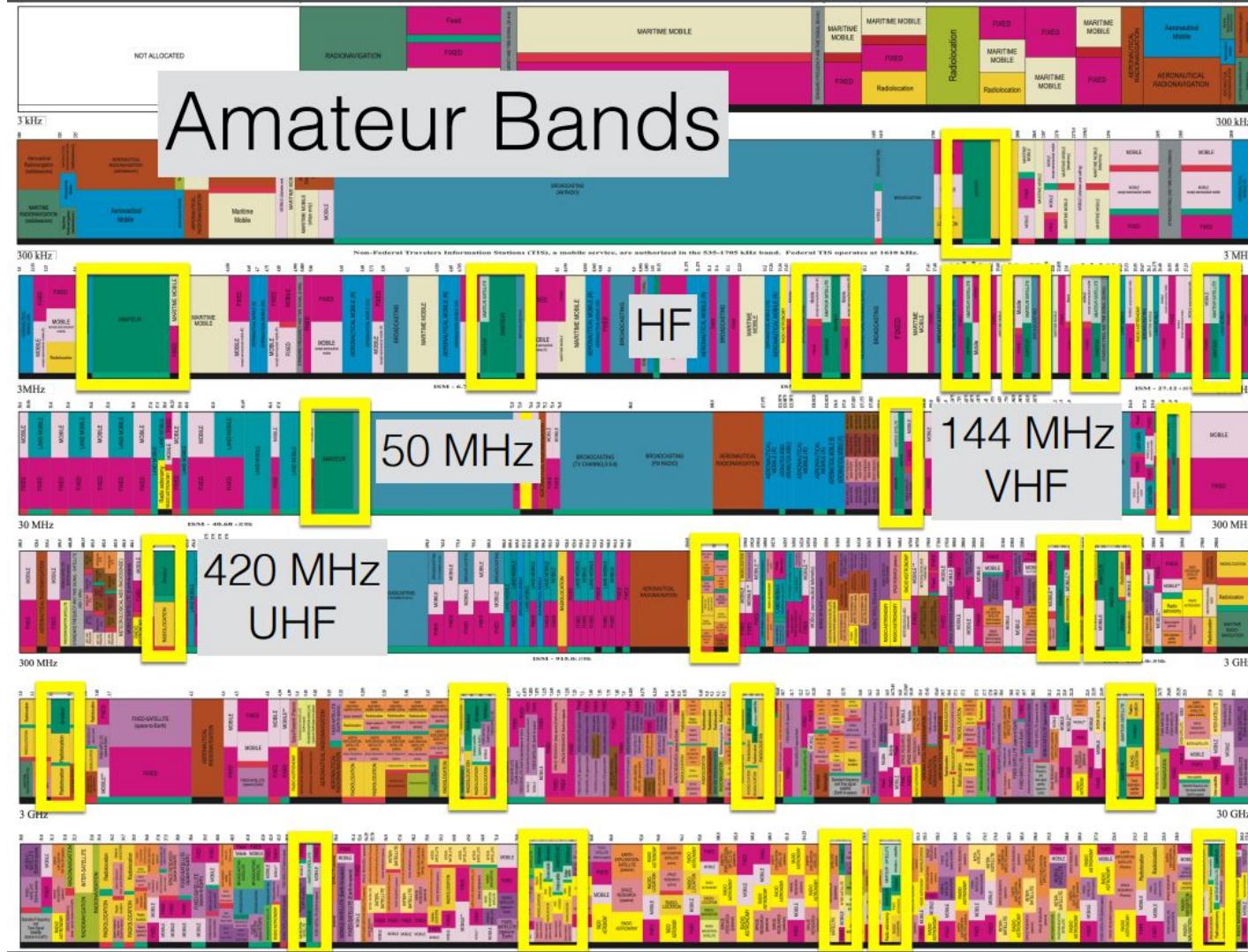












Amateur Bands

What about Türkiye?

- Who manages the RF spectrum?
- “Milli Frekans Planı”

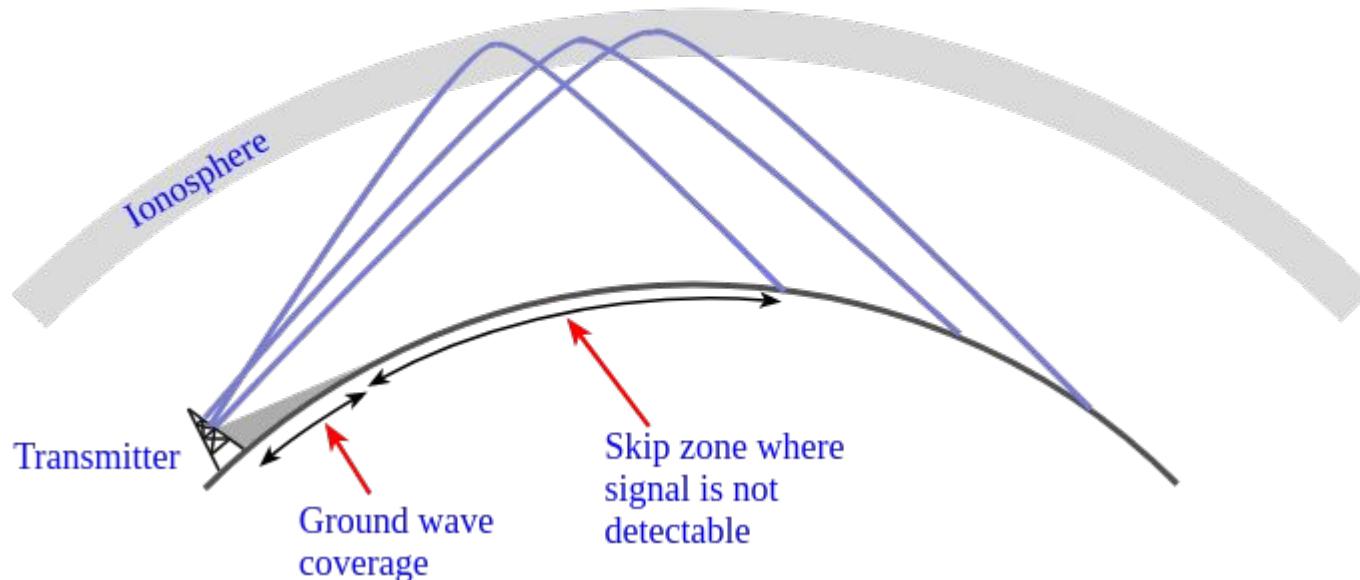
Finding Where You are on the Radio Dial

- Described as Band, Frequency, or Wavelength
- Bands: HF, UHF, VHF
- Frequency: 50 MHz, 144 MHz, 440 MHz
- Wavelength: 6 m, 2 m, 70 cm
- Wavelength (in m) = $300 / (\text{frequency in MHz})$

Propagation Modes

- Ground wave
 - Low HF and below, ground acts as waveguide
 - AM radio
- Line-of-Sight (LOS)
 - VHF and above, radio waves only slightly refracted or reflected by the atmosphere
 - FM Radio
- Sky wave
 - For HF, and sometimes VHF, the upper atmosphere acts as a reflector, bouncing radio waves back to earth far from the source
 - Short wave radio

Skywaves & Skip Distance & Skip Zone

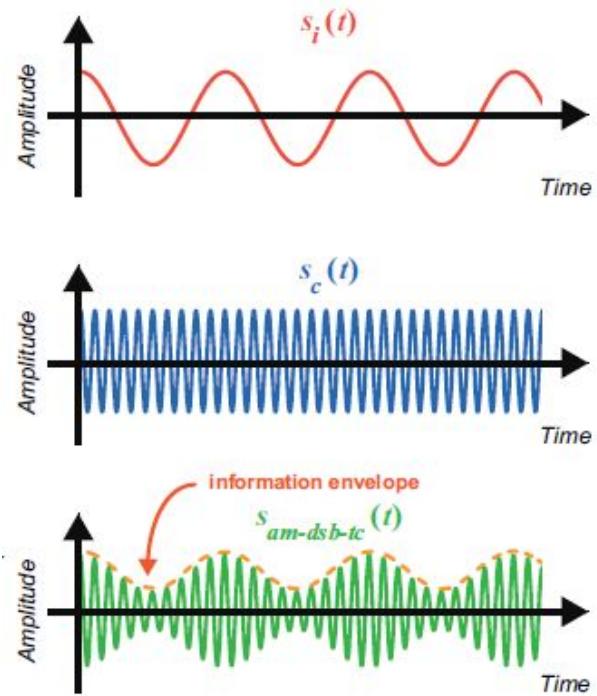


Modulations

- Information is encoded in different ways
 - Morse Code (CW)
 - Amplitude Modulation (AM)
 - Frequency Modulation (FM)
 - Phase modulation (PM)
 - Digital modulations

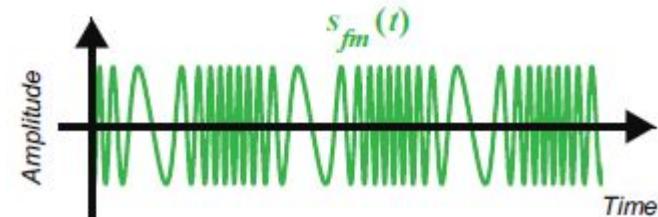
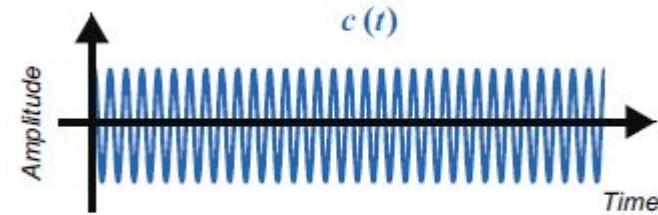
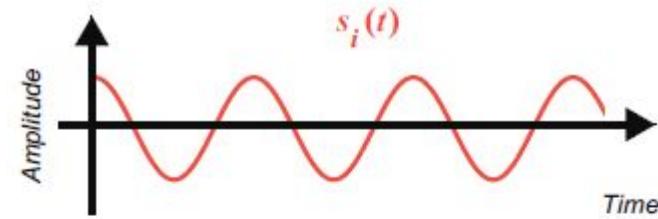
Amplitude Modulation (AM)

- Information encoded in carrier's amplitude
- Airband



Frequency Modulation (FM)

- Information encoded in carrier's frequency
- Noise resistant



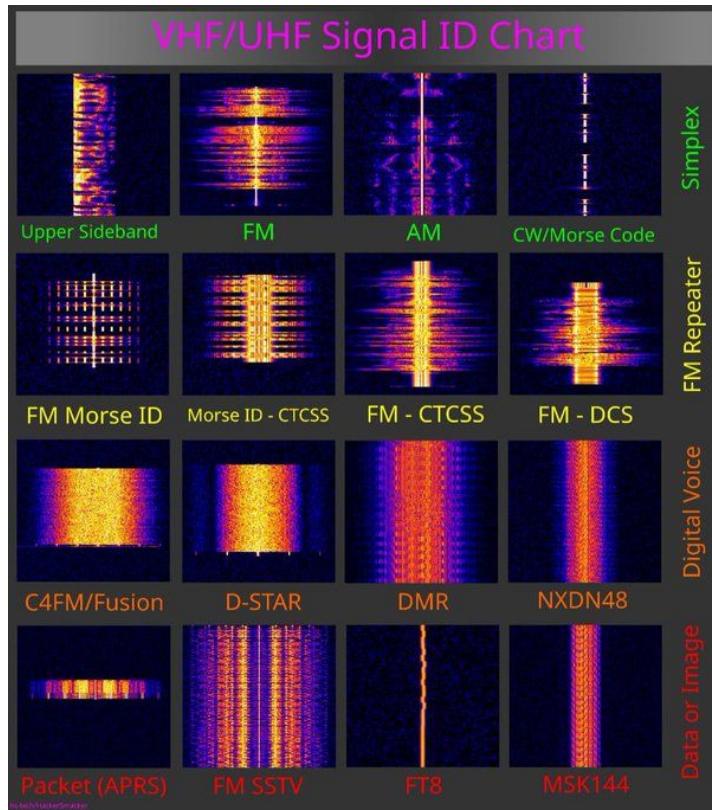
Radios

- Desktop Radios
 - Many modes, complex
 - Mostly HF
 - Lots of modes (FM, SSB, Digital Voice and Data)
 - 100W + Power Amps to 1500 W
- Mobile
 - FM, one or more bands
 - 50 W
- Handheld
 - FM, one or more bands, 5W
 - Simple, but lots of options

Digital Radios

- DStar (ICom, Kenwood)
- C4FM, Wires (Yaesu)
- DMR — Digital Mobile Radio (Lots of companies)

Signal References



What is Software Defined Radio (SDR)?

“A radio in which aspects of functionality are implemented in, or controlled by, software.”

- Flexible functionality
 - the operation of a radio can be changed without making any physical alterations to the device
- Algorithms from DSP and communications theory running as real-time software on a CPU, GPU and/or FPGA
- Joe Mitola first coined the term in 1991

Why SDR?

- Traditional radios are hard-wired to specific frequency bands and communication protocols
 - Fixed-function, Black Box
 - Can't be easily modified, can't easily access internal values and states
- SDR provides:
 - Flexibility
 - Upgradability
 - Reconfigurability
 - Lower Cost

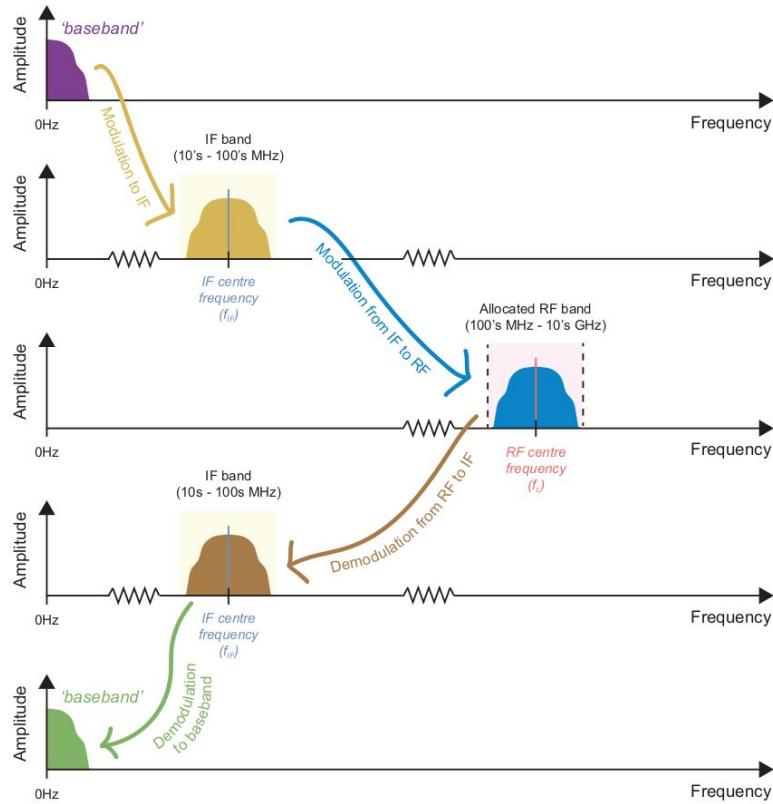
Key SDR Parameters (Features)

- Frequency (Tuning) Range
- Instantaneous Bandwidth
- Bit resolution
- Interface (USB, Ethernet, PCIe)
- Rx/Tx, half-duplex, full-duplex, MIMO
- Preselectors
- Budget: 50\$-...k\$

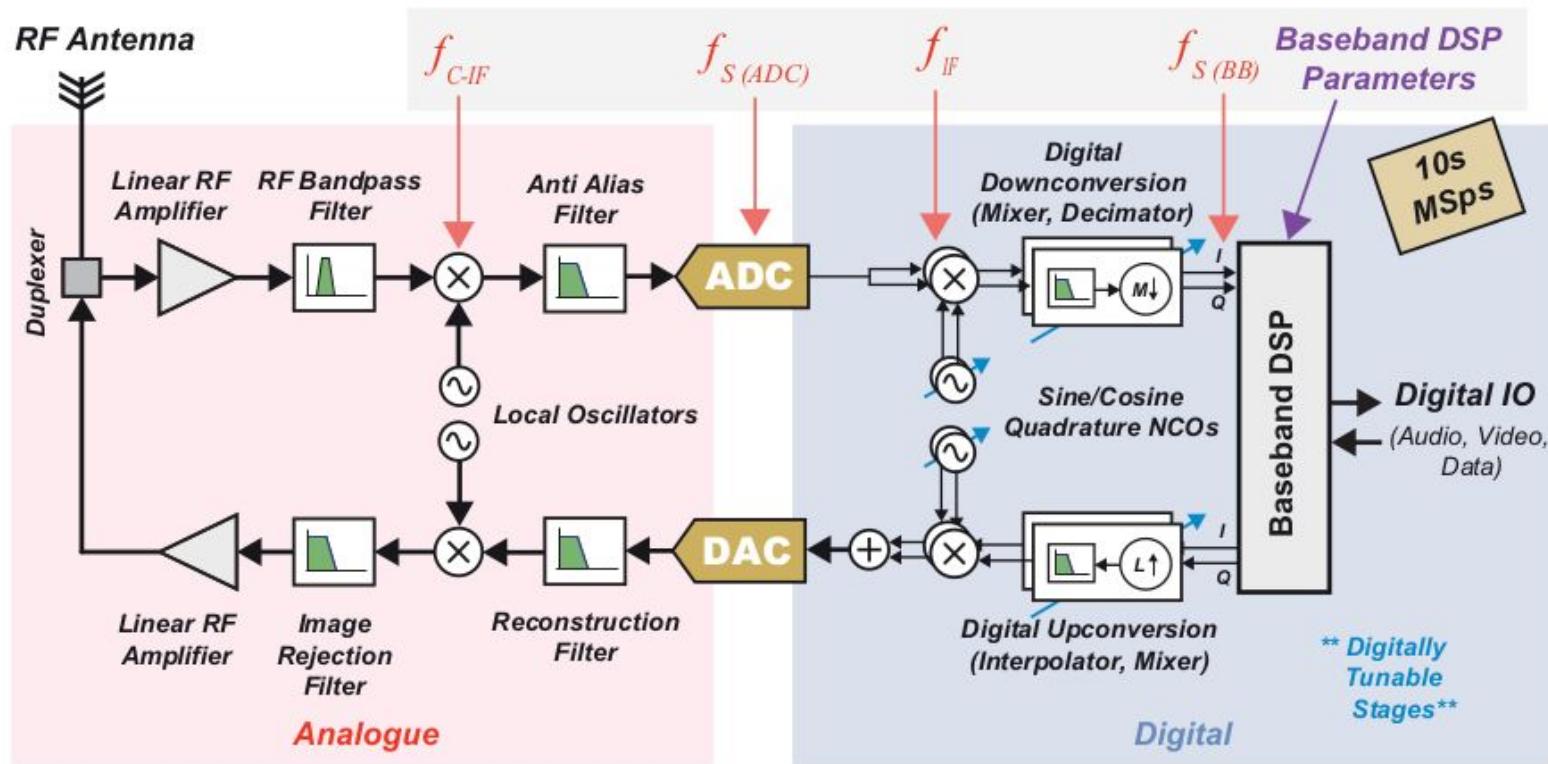
SDR Architectures

- There are **two** primary architectures for radio transmitters
 - One involves **direct** modulation from baseband frequencies to RF frequencies
 - The second (the **superheterodyne**) achieves this transition with two modulation stages: the first from baseband to an Intermediate Frequency (IF), and the second from IF to RF. In each case, the receiver mirrors the operations of the transmitter

Superheterodyne Scheme



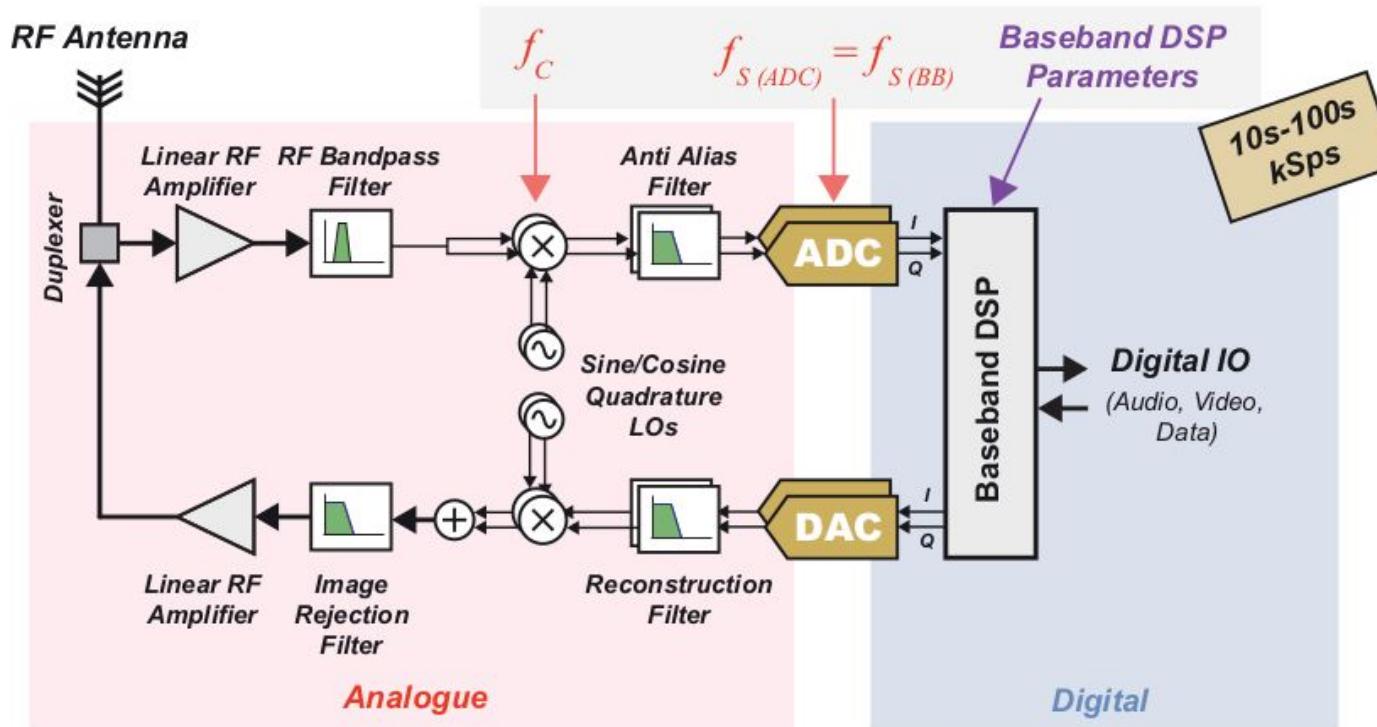
IF-Sampling Software Defined Radio



SDR Architectures: DCR

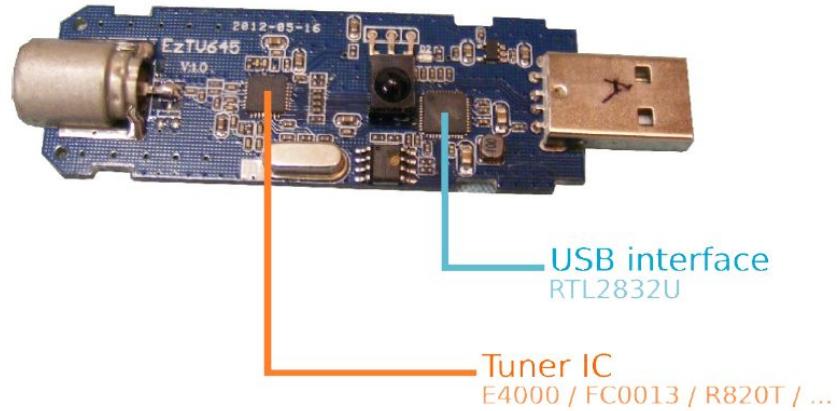
- Most SDR uses a direct-conversion receiver (DCR) architecture
 - Also called Zero-IF receiver, and homodyne receiver
 - Eliminates the intermediate frequency (IF) by translating the band of interest directly to baseband
 - The frequency of the LO is set to the same frequency as the transmitted/desired RF signal

Baseband-Sampling Software Defined Radio



RTL-SDR

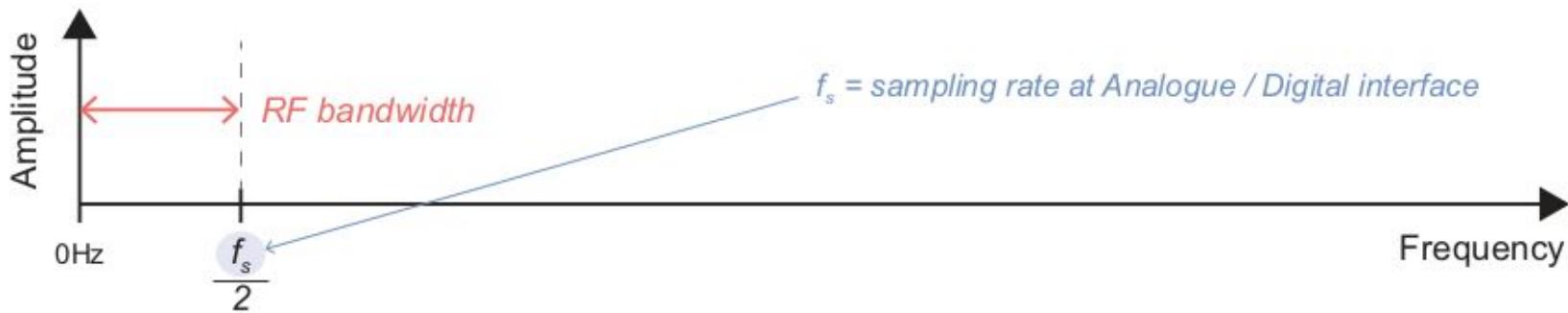
- “I smell a very cheap poor man’s SDR here 😊”
- Cheap man’s radio since 2012
- Hams, DIY, hackers, makers, students,...
- Demodulator
 - Named by RTL2832U chip, DVB-T
- Tuner
 - **R820T**: 24-1766MHz
 - **E4000**: 52-2200MHz



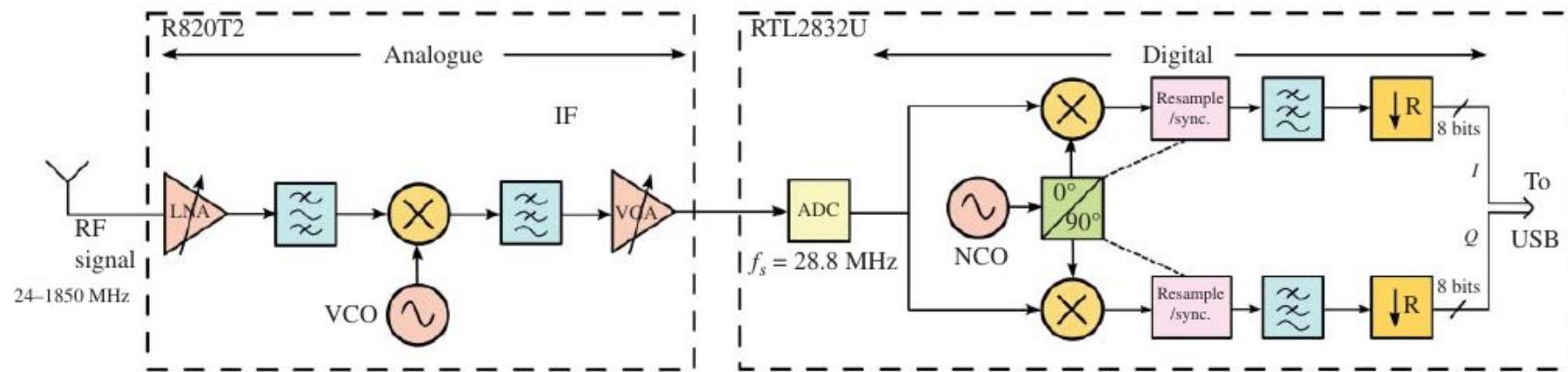
RTL-SDR

- Receive-only
- 8-bit ADC
- 24MHz-1.75GHz (depends on tuner chip)
- 2.4MSPS BW (stable) upto 3.2M
- “*HamItUp*” upconverter
 - HF coverage

Key Radio Terminology and Parameters



RTL-SDR Architecture



RTL-SDR Driver Installation - Linux

- Linux users may blacklist RTL so that default DVB-T driver is not loaded when dongle is plugged in.
 - cd /etc/modprobe.d/
 - sudo gedit blacklist-rtl.conf
 - # append: blacklist dvb_usb rtl28xxu
 - OR
 - echo "blacklist dvb_usb rtl28xxu" >> /etc/modprobe.d/blacklist.conf

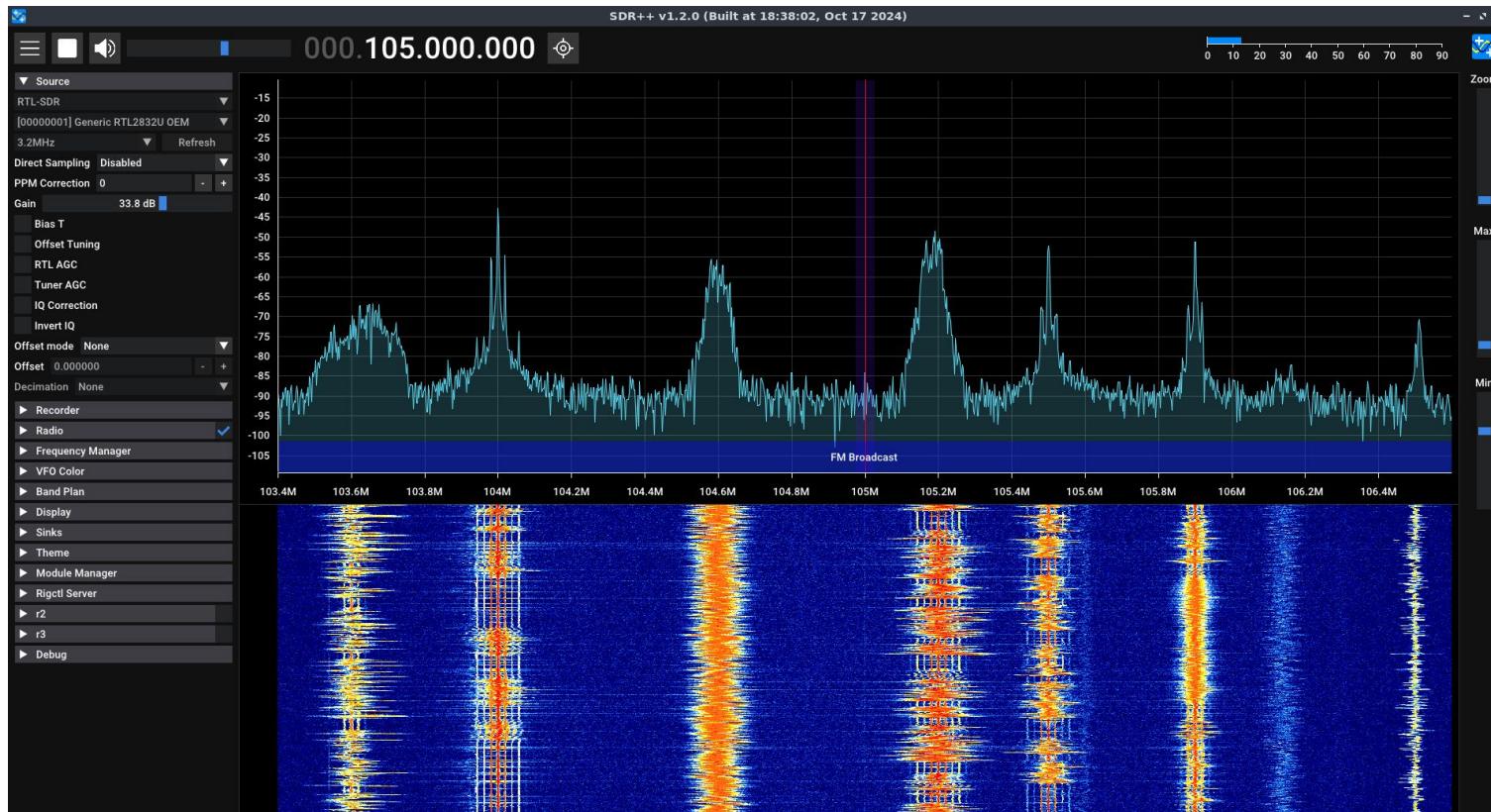
Test your RTL

- run *rtl_test* terminal application to check your device is working

“RF” Hello World

- Acquire RF data with RTL-SDR
- Use gqrx/SDR++ as general-purpose SDR application
- Tune to a frequency in FM broadcast band
- Spectrum view
- Spectrogram view
- WBFM demodulation

Hello World: WBFM

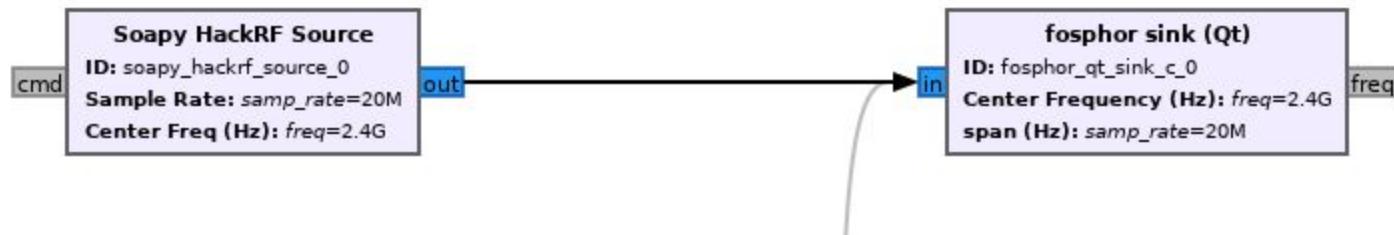


Capture The Signal (CTS)

- Your instructor is transmitting in one of the ISM bands, your job is to find out what this signal contains?
 - *Hint: Tune to an ISM band frequency, watch the spectrogram!*

RTSA

- Real Time Spectrum Analyzer



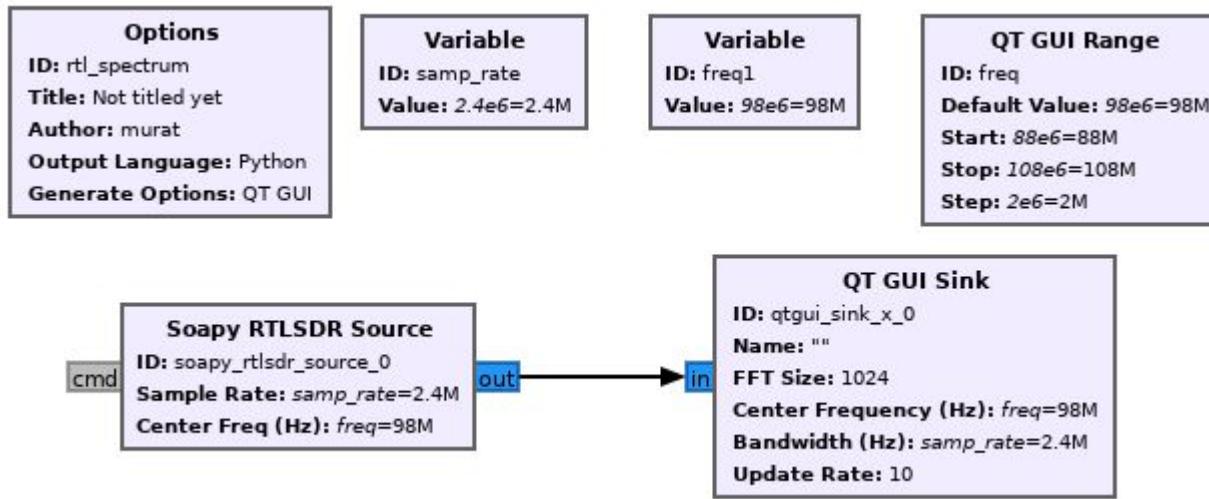
Some Signal Hunting

- VHF airband: 108 and 137 MHz.
 - 108 to 117.95, split into 200 narrow-band channels of 50 kHz. VOR beacons, ILS localizers.
 - 118 to 136.975: amplitude modulation voice transmissions
- Keyfob: 433 MHz
- GSM

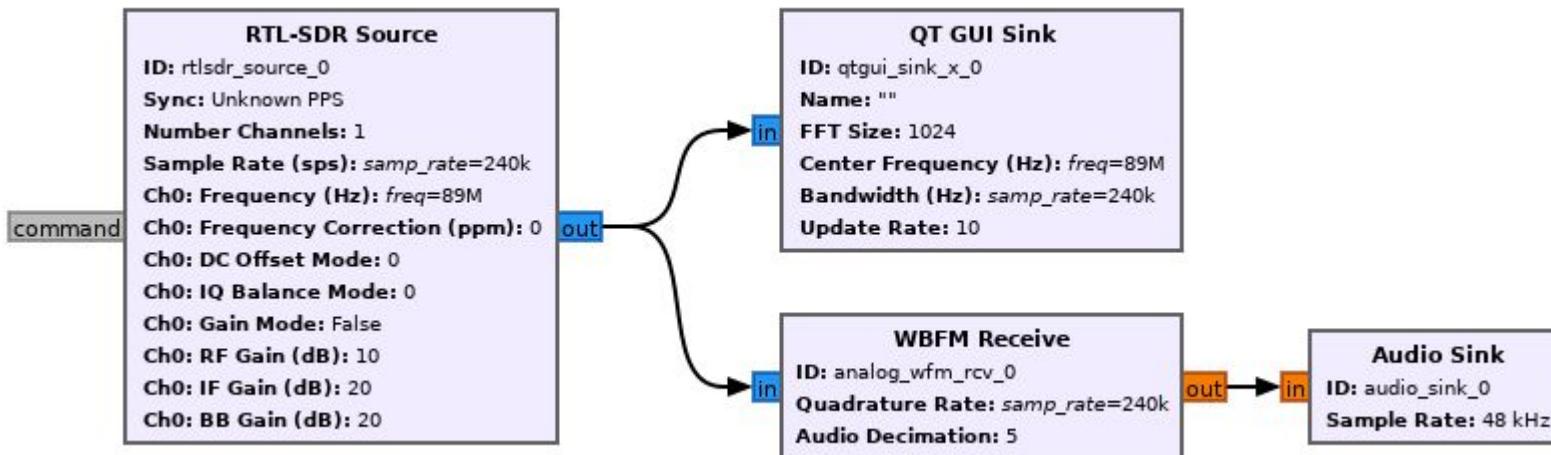
Time to Use GNU Radio

- We'll do the same things with GNU Radio
 - Spectrum Monitoring
 - "Hello World"

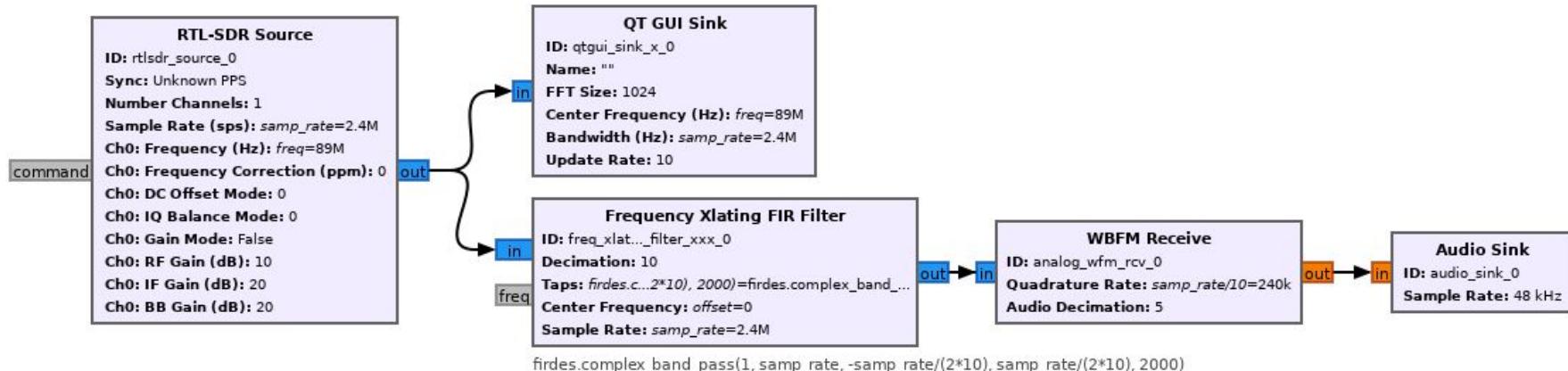
Spectrum Monitoring



Single Channel WBFM Demodulation



Single Channel WBFM Demodulation with Xlate FIR



Direct-RF (Almost-All-Digital) Radio

