Communication Systems based on Software Defined Radio (SDR)

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Introductory Concepts





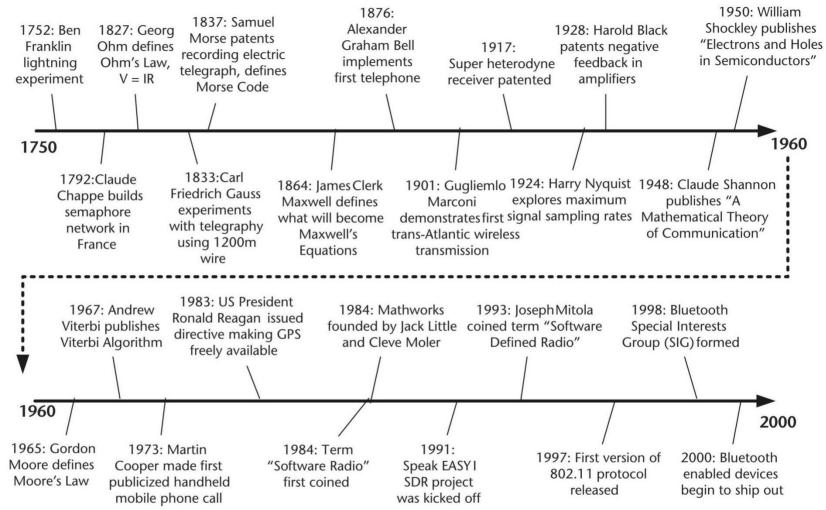
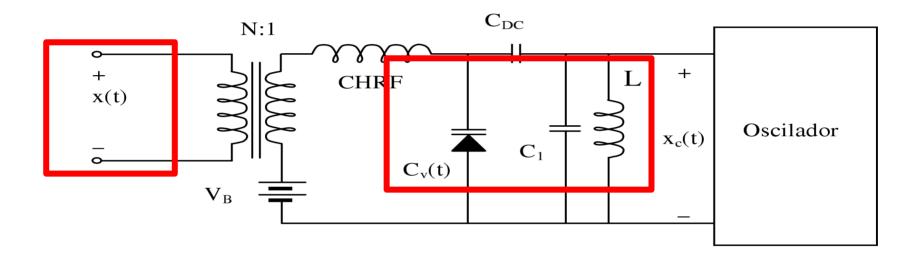


Figure 1.1 Timeline of several key milestones in communications.





Direct method of FM generation



This circuit consists of a VCO. Its resonant frequency depends on L and C. The total capacity of the system is controlled by x(t).





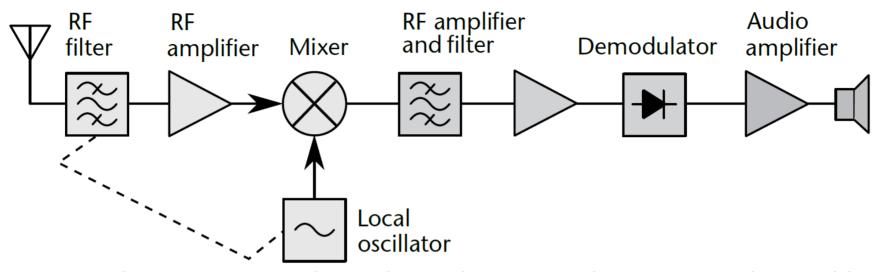
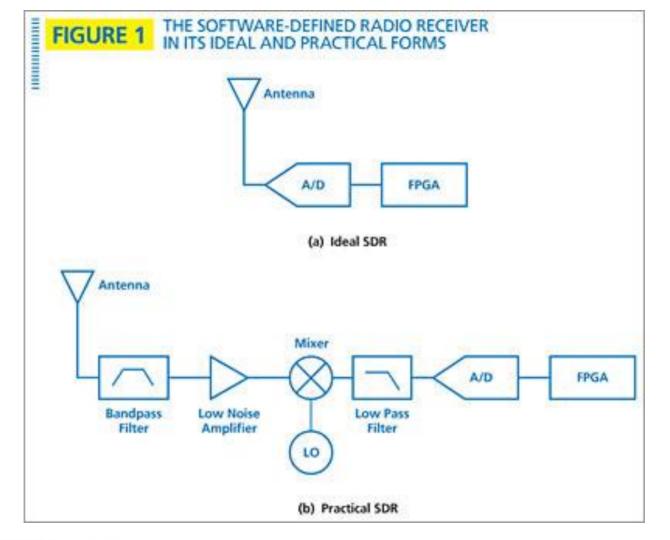


Figure A.3 Single-conversion superheterodyne radio receiver. The incoming radio signal from the antenna (left) is passed through an RF filter to attenuate some undesired signals, amplified in a radio frequency (RF) amplifier, and mixed with an unmodulated sine wave from a local oscillator. The result is a beat frequency or heterodyne at the difference between the input signal and local oscillator frequencies, a lower frequency called the IF. The IF signal is selected and strengthened by several IF stages that bandpass filter and amplify the signal. The IF signal is then applied to a demodulator that extracts the modulated audio signal. An audio amplifier further amplifies the signal, and the speaker makes it audible.

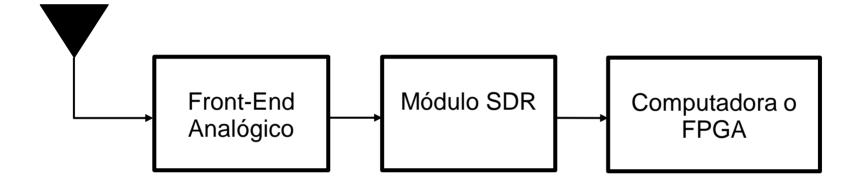








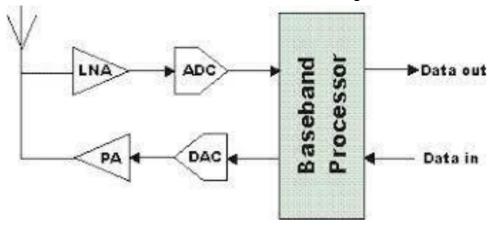


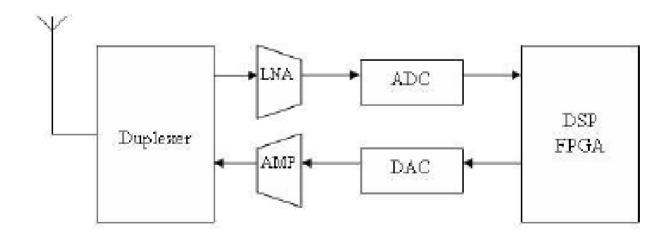






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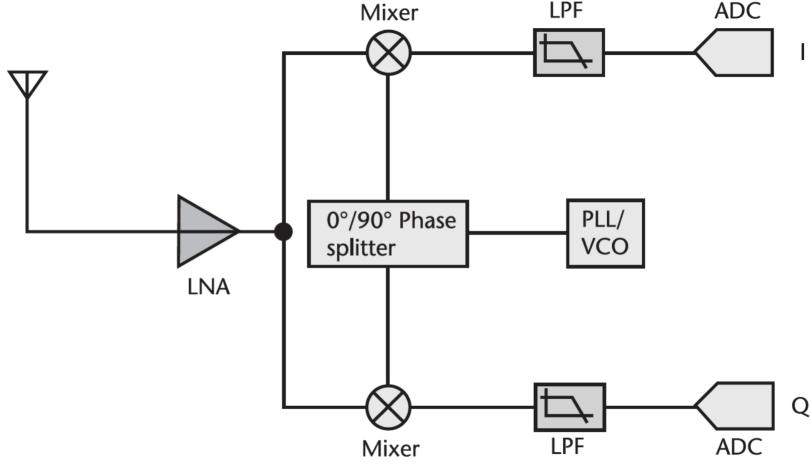


Figure 1.7 Zero IF architecture [4].





UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL DE MAR DEL PLATA - Facultad de Ingeniería - Laboratorio de Comunicaciones Software Defined Radio Antenna Output Processina ADC Channelization Flexible and Software Hardware •e**∢**nm▶ Sample Rate · Algorithms Hardware FPGAs Conversion Middleware Input • DSPs DAC CORBA • ASICs Virtual Radio Machine Control Digital **Base Band** A/D RF/IF D/A Front End **Processing ANTENNA** Waveform RF Modem Network **AMPLIFIER** A/D Encryption User Error Routing **FILTER** D/A Correction GUI





HARDWARE

SOFTWARE
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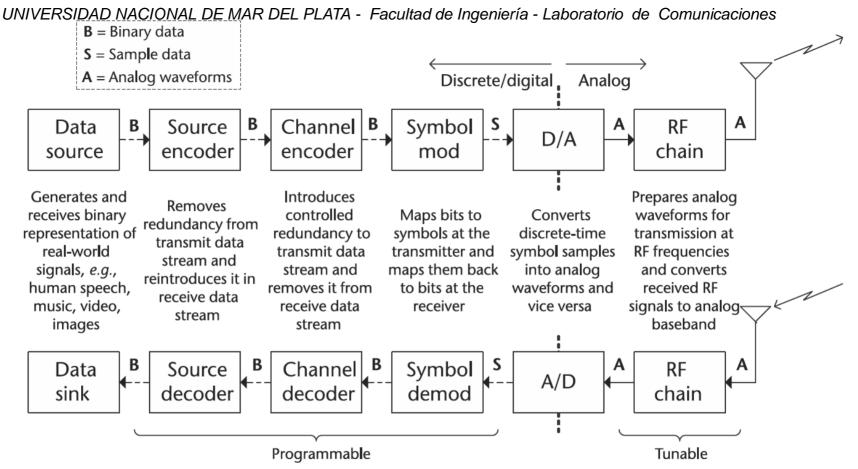
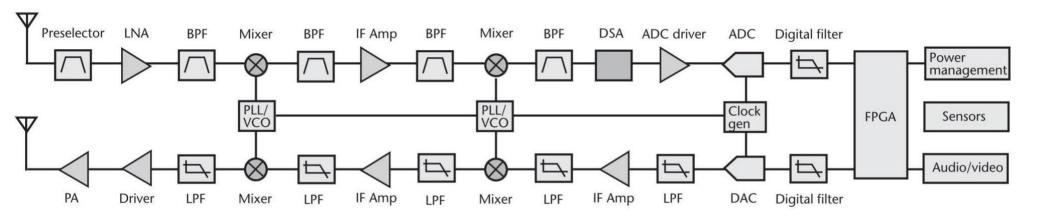


Figure 1.3 An illustration describing some of the important components that constitute a modern digital communications system. Note that for a SDR-based implementation, those components indicated as programmable can be realized in either programmable logic or software.



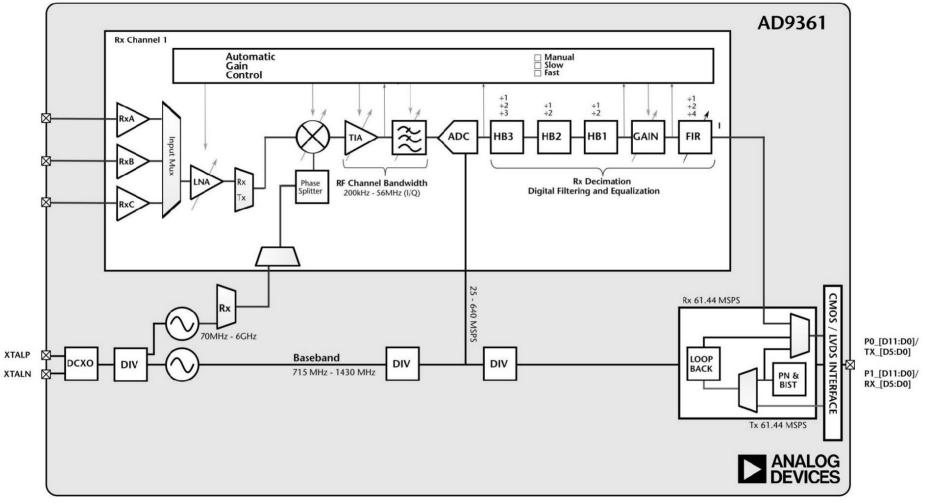








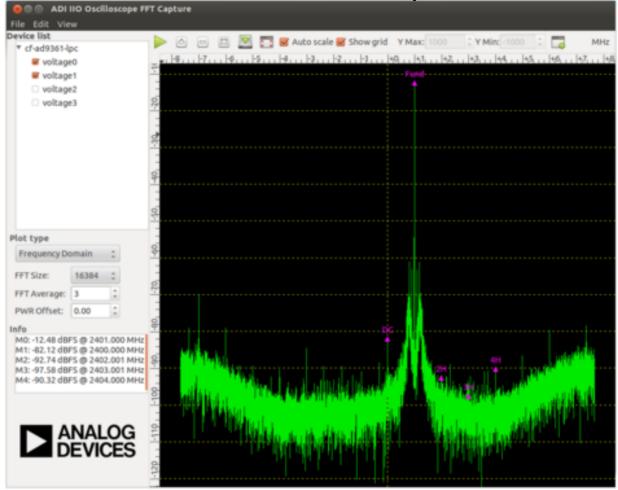
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ADI IIO Oscilloscope

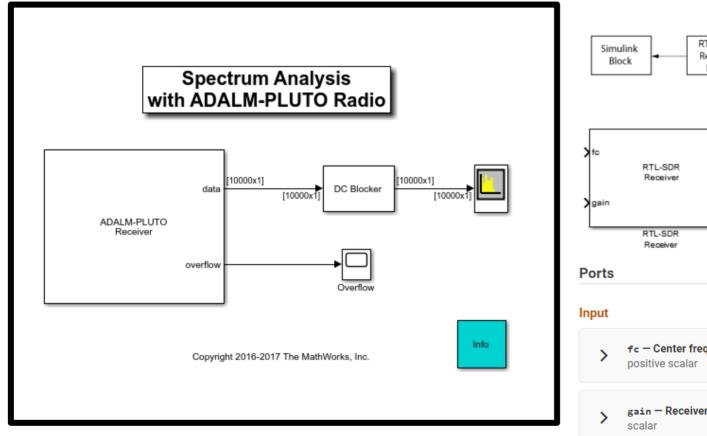


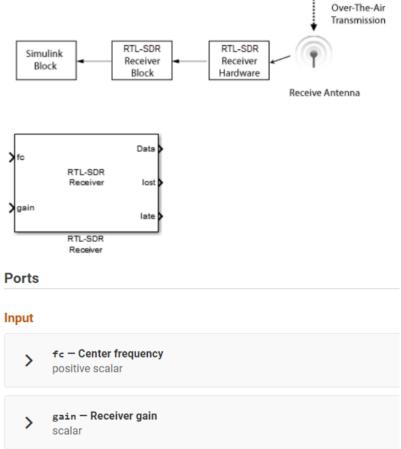




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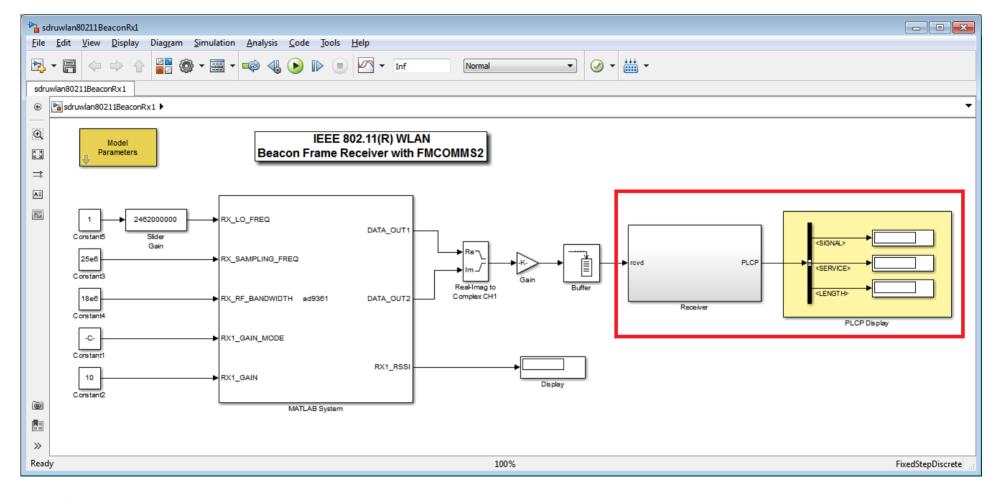






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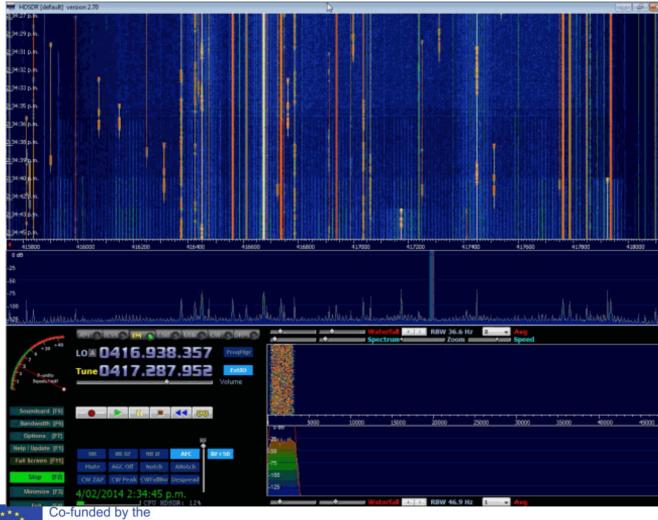


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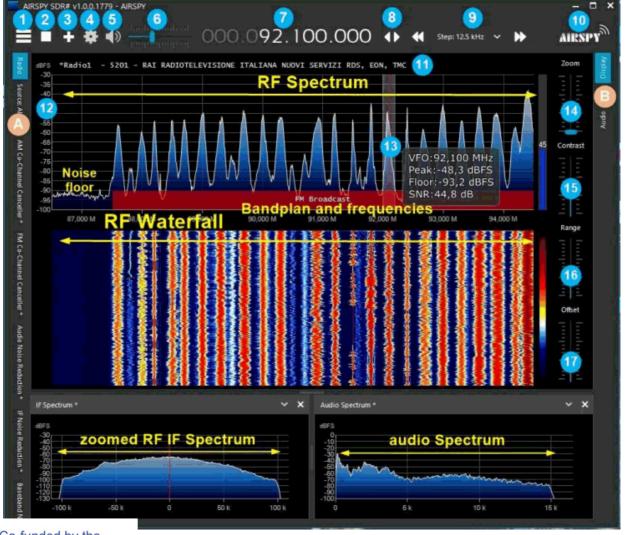


HDSDR



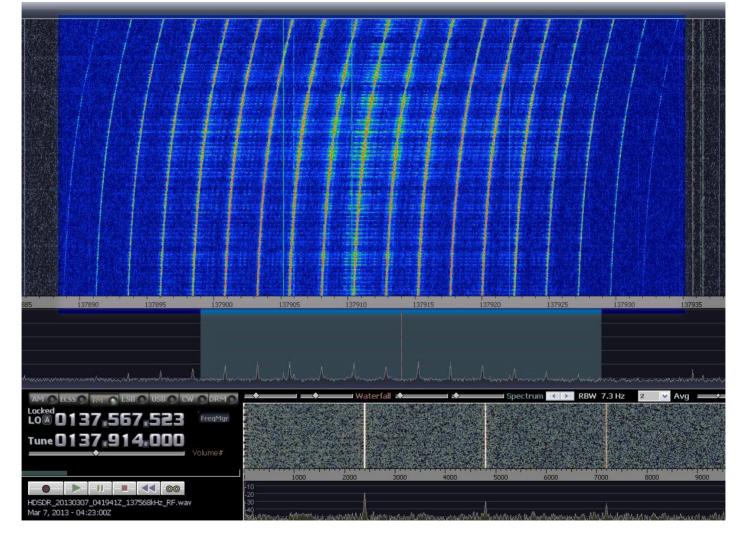


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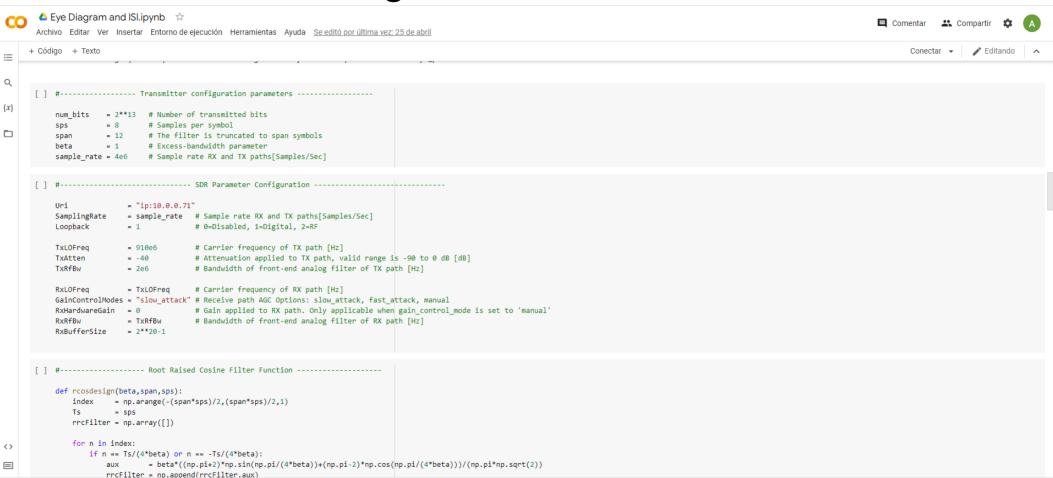






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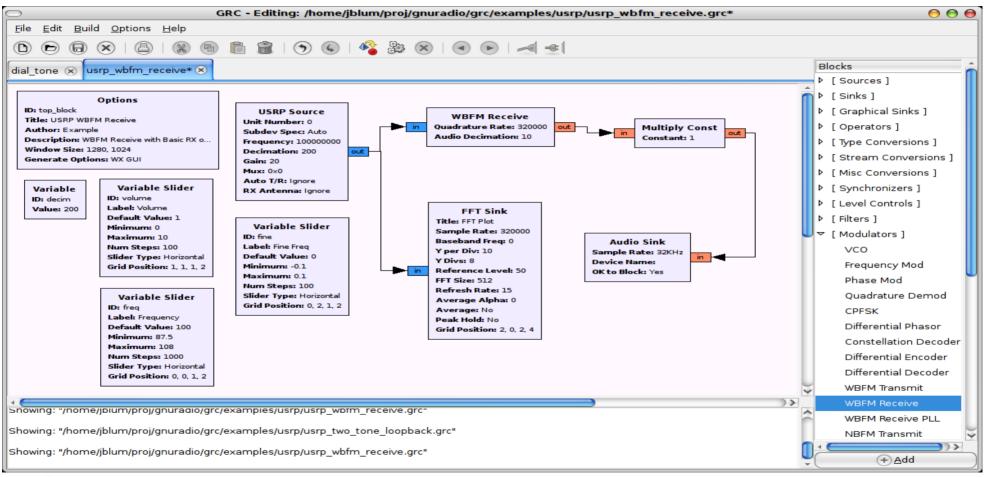
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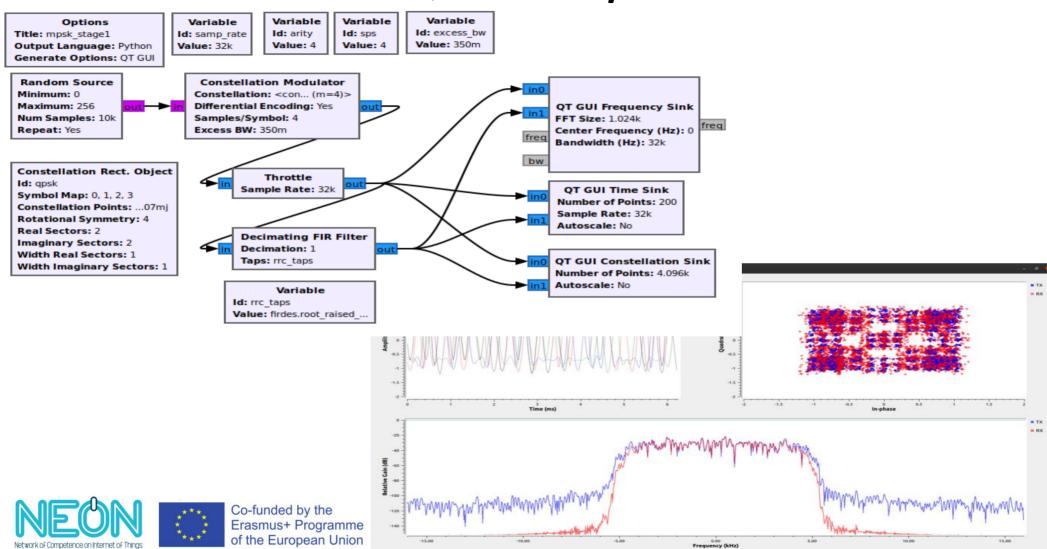
GNU RADIO







QPSK Example



Some libraries of GNU Radio Companion

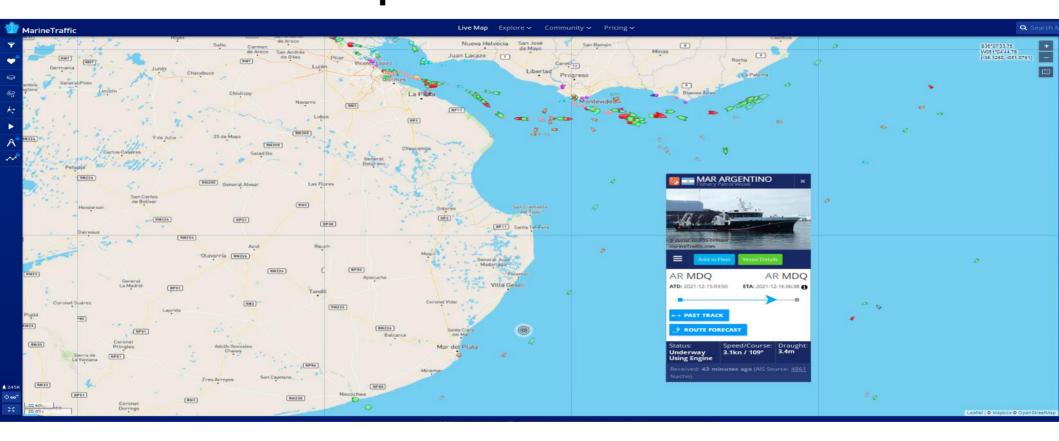
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Advanced Example: Als Receiver



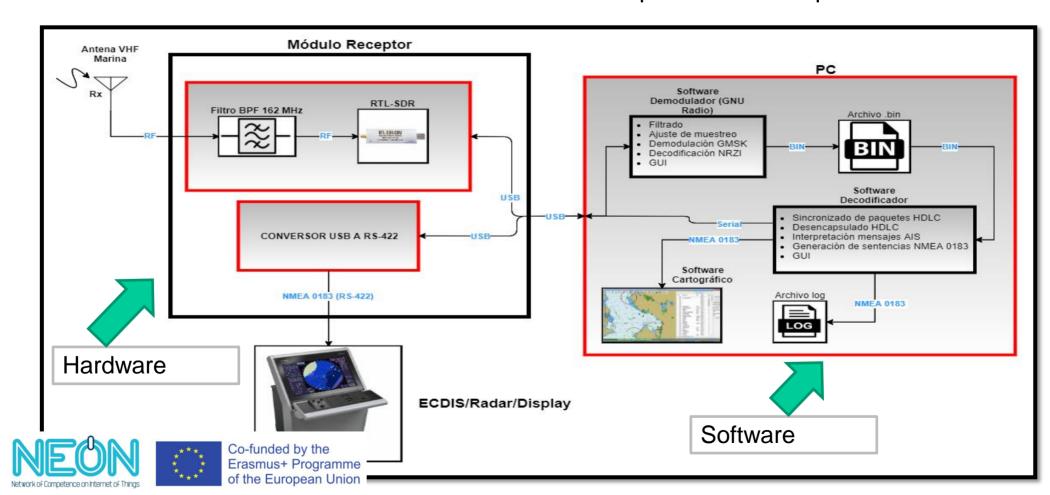


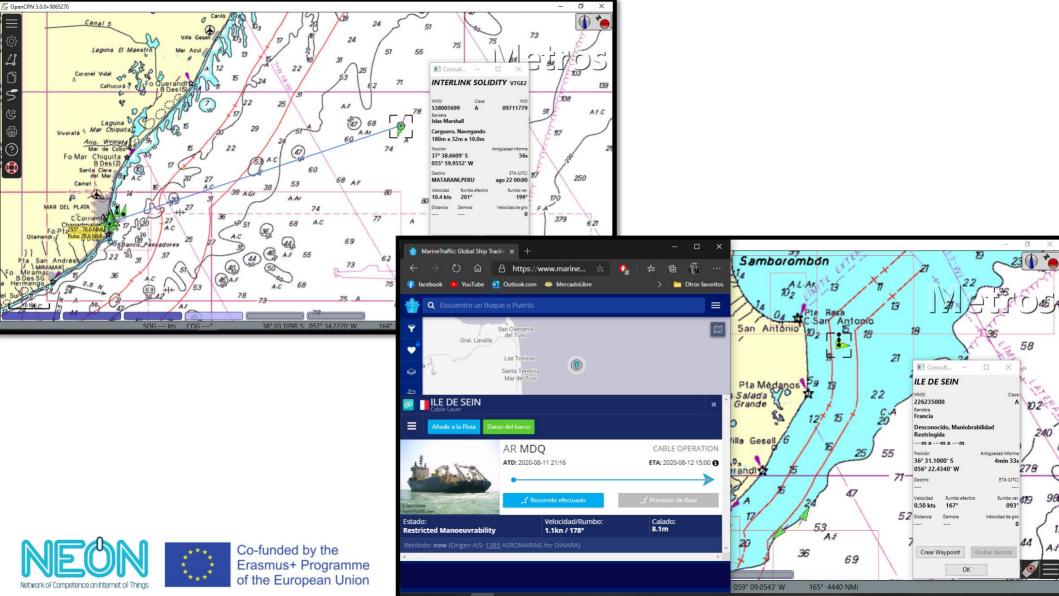


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Advanced Example: AIS Receiver

Receiver based on RTL-SDR dongle Implemented on open software.





ADALM PLUTO



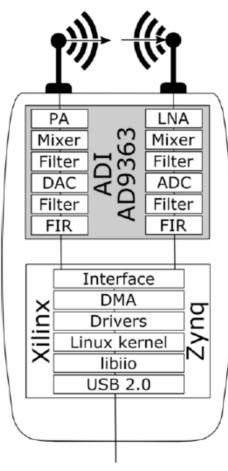
- Full duplex / Half duplex.
- 325MHz 3,8GHz (extendible a 60MHz 6GHz)
- ADC/DAC Sample Rate 65.2 kSPS to 61.44 MSPS
- ADC/DAC Resolution 12 bits
- Frequency Accuracy ±25 ppm
- RBW= 20MHz max (It cen be limited to 5MHz).
- 50 Ohms Input.





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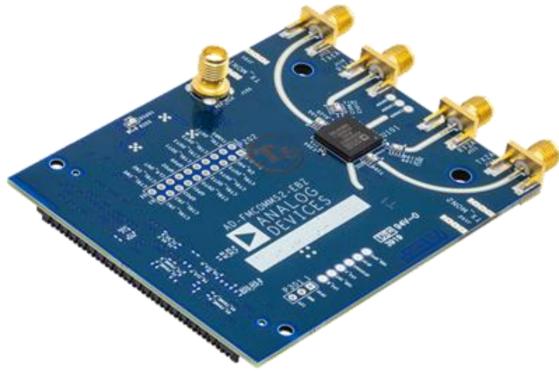


- Runs Linux inside the device
- Uses Linux's IIO framework to expose I/Q data and control
- ► Multi-Function Device
 - Native IIO over USB
 - Serial over USB
 - Ethernet over USB
 - Mass Storage
 - Device Firmware Update
- ► Host
 - USB dongles





FSCOMMS4



- Two outputs and two inputs full duplex
- Frecuency range: 70 MHz 6,0 GHz
- **RBW=** <200 kHz to 56 MHz
 - 12 bits resolution
- Superior receiver sensitivity with a noise figure < 2.5 dB
- RX gain control
- Real-time monitor and control signals for manual gain
- Independent automatic gain control





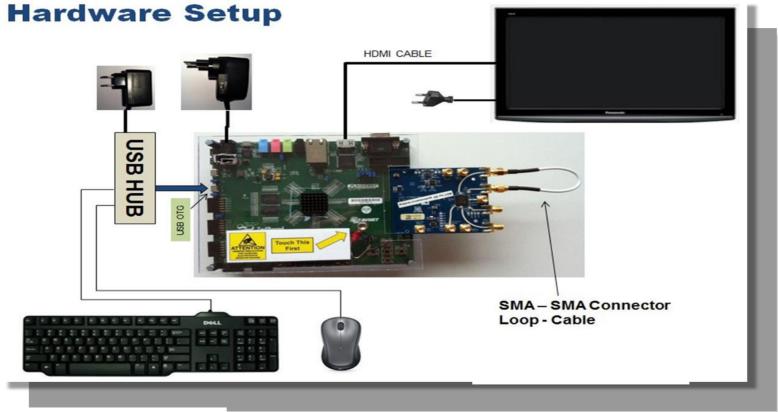
FSCOMMS2 + Zedboard







SDR platform: Xilinx Zedboard + Analog Devices FSCOMMS4 (60MHz - 6GHz)







RTL2832U



- Only receiver.
- Frequency range: 35MHz 1,8GHz
- RBW=
- 8 bits resolution.
- Aluminum covering.
- Input impedance: 50 Ohms or 75 Ohms.
- <1 PPM temperature compensated oscillator (TCX)

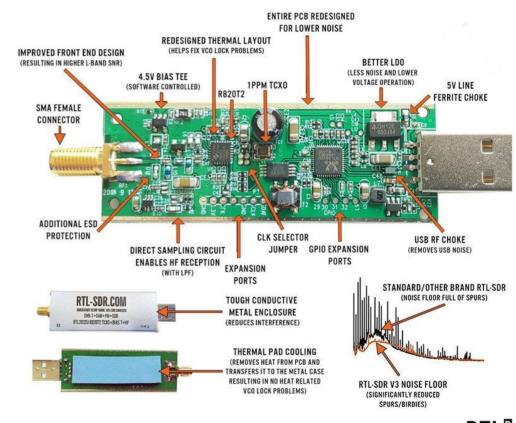


RTL2832U



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Original RTL-SDR Blog V3

- -Rounded enclosure
- -Full website URL written on body
- -Two diagonally offset screws on each side
- -Newer units have logo on the back
- -Green PCB with thermal pad on bottom
- -NSY production QC sticker on back
- -Newer units say R860 instead of R820T



Fake RTL-SDR Blog V3 Clones:

- -Flat enclosure
- -May say "RTL.SDR", "RTL-SDR V3 Pro", or be unmarked
- -Four screws per side panel
- -May not have bias tee, HF or TCXO features despite advertising
- -No SMA nut, or nut without washer
- -PCB sits loosely inside enclosure -May have significantly more spurs + noise
- -No logo on the back
- -Yellow double stacked PCB, or blue PCB
- -May not have thermal pad
- -Signals may be distorted with mysterious high pitched whine in the audio spectrum

Clone sellers may also use images of the original Please try to order from repurable sellers if not ordering directly from our stores.



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New Sophisticated Fake V3 Clones

- -Looks exactly like an original V3 except for minor differences
- -Side panel screws are not diagonally offet
- -No NSY QC sticker
- -Listings may use our original graphics





Hack RF ONE



- 1 MHz to 6 GHz operating frequency
- Half-duplex transceiver
- Up to 20 million samples per second
- 8-bit quadrature samples (8-bit I and 8-bit Q)
- SMA female antenna connector
- SMA female clock input and output for synchronization





Relevant specifications

- Frequency range.
- receiver, half-duplex or full-duplex.
- Real band-width (RBW).
- ADC/DAC bits resolution.
- RF connectors.
- Covering.



