CONTACT2020

GLOBAL GROUND STATION COMPETITION

COMPETITION CATEGORIES: CAT 1 : NOAA/METEOR



F4IKX - Pascal MARTIN - JN18FJ

<u>Preamble</u>

Thank you for this great initiative which allows me to participate in this competition in the category CAT1: NOAA / METEOR.

I am sure that many of us will participate, sending you images from all over the world.

My name is MARTIN

My first name is Pascal

My satellite reception station is located in FRANCE in JN18FJ in the town of ONCY sur ECOLE,

60 km south of the capital PARIS.

My amateur radio callsign is F4IKX.

My email address is: F4IKX@free.fr





Pascal F4IKX

The antenna preamplifier



Located as close as possible to the antenna..

It is self-powered by its coaxial cable.

Announced gain 32 dB between 136 and 138 MHz

It has been in place on the mast of my TURNSTILE antenna for over 20 years

Le Rx SDR RSP2pro





1 kHz to 2 GHz reception range Up to 10 MHz of screen bandwidth - 12-bit sampling Software-adjustable LNA preamplifier - Software-switchable antenna connectors Antenne A : 1.5 MHz à 2 GHz – 40 dB adjustable gain Antenne B : 1.5 MHz à 2 GHz – 40 dB adjustable gain - 4.7 Vdc output (Bias-T) Antenne High Z : 1 kHz à 30 MHz – 18 dB adjustable gain

PCs and Screens





- Pc HP ProDesk 400 G2 MT
- Processeur : Intel Pentium
- CPU : G3250 3.20 GHz
- Ram : 8 Go
- Disque dur 450 Go
- Win 7 Pro SP1
- SAMSUNG Flat Screens
- S24E450
- LCD 24" (61 cm)
- Format 1920x1080 wide 16:9

VFO SDR dial



Allows you to control by USB the frequency change of SDR software and to find the classic operation of a VFO on SDR radio equipment.

It includes 5 programmable buttons (by software), a central rubber jog wheel and a rotary wheel in the center with a recess to turn it with the index finger.

Pascal 54IKX

Pascal F4IKX

Software configuration

 WXtrack – Orbit Predictor Satellite pass prediction software, graphical display and more.

 SDR Console V3.0 Full control of the Rx SDRPlay RSP2.

Pasca

WxToImg V2.10.11 Management of decoding of APT frames, display and post-processing of images.

VB – Audio Virtual Câble Virtually connects the sound output of the Rx SDR to the microphone input of the PC

DS Clock 2.6.3 Synchronizes the PC clock with an atomic time server.

My two images for the competition.

The first is a composite image of three successive passes of the NOAA18 satellite.

The second image is that of a descending node passage of NOAA18.

With its two images, you will find attached the following files:

- The image in .png format
- The RAW image .png file
- the Audio files .wave file
- the WXtoImg Image Properties detail

First image in composite format



WXtoImg: Image Properties	
Number of Passes: 3 Satellite: NOAA 18 Direction: southbound Creation Time: 31 Aug 2020 11:31:44 GMT Satellite Type: NOAA Enhancement: MSA Ground Station: Oncy sur Ecole, France Latitude: 48.220 Longitude: 2.280 Altitude: 64.0 Projection: Stereographic Projection Longitude: 0.000 Projection Hemisphere: northern Software: WXtoImg version 2.10.11 Width: 1976 Height: 1314	
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Print	Close



Composite NOAA18 31/08/2020

NOAA18 31/08/2020 à 0810 UTC NOAA18 31/08/2020 à 0950 UTC NOAA18 31/08/2020 à 1131 UTC



Second image in normal format



X 🐻 WXtoImg: Image Properties Satellite: NOAA 18 ٠ Pass Start: 18 Aug 2020 09:02:00 GMT Pass Duration: 15:16 Elevation: 39 Azimuth: 98 Solar Elevation: 45.0 Direction: southbound Creation Time: 18 Aug 2020 09:02:54 GMT Satellite Type: NOAA Channel A: 1 (visible) Channel B: 4 (thermal infrared) Enhancement: MSA Ground Station: Oncy sur Ecole, France Latitude: 48.220 Longitude: 2.280 Altitude: 64.0 Frequency: 137.9125 Audio File: C:/Users/Moi/Pictures/WXtoImg/audio/202008180902.wav Map File: C:/Users/Moi/Pictures/WXtoImg/maps/202008180902.map Software: WXtoImg version 2.10.11 Width: 1040 Height: 1625 Ŧ Þ ||

Close

Print

Some pictures from my station.



L'antenne TURNSTILE 137 MHz et son LNA







In conclusion:

Here is my material presentation is finished.

You have in your possession the various files to analyze my images.

The most important thing in this competition is not to win, but to participate.

But may the best win naturally.



Pascal MARTIN F4IKX - JN18FJ F4IKX@free.fr

Ground Station (Team MIT-SAT)

CATEGORY: Weather Satellite images (NOAA/METEOR) (CAT I)

- Team members:
 - 1) Ankit Sharma
 - 2) Richal Abhang
 - 3) Soham Aserkar
- On 27th of May, 2020, after many trials and researches, we successfully did our 1st Satellite Data Receiving (NOAA Weather Satellite) (Night time pass IR Reception)

Reception are as follows – Satellite pass, 27-05-20 Time 20:08-20:20, Location – Bharuch, Gujarat

Ground Station Operator/Data Analyst – Ankit Sharma

NOAA 15 satellite reception. It's a weather data.



- NOAA 18 Night time Pass (28-05-2020)



- Weather Verified – Heavy Rain/Thunder Storm Situation in Karnataka/ Kerala.

Location – Bharuch

Ground Station Operator/Data Analyst – Ankit Sharma









- We tied Receiving Meteor-M2 Satellite but Failed miserably (Later We found that the Satellite has Lost its Orientation)

On 29-05-2020, we got our 1st glimpse of Amphan Storm.

NOAA 15 Night Pass, Location - Bharuch, Gujarat Ground Station Operator/Data Analyst – Ankit Sharma This is a 3D Image (need Anaglyph Glasses) – (Please ask Ground Station Team For further Assistance)













After this we started Moving on to our main Targets - Cube Sats

In the Midst of all these came the Cyclone – Nisarga , Impact was on Mumbai-Pune – Guj. Weather Data was an Essential so On 1st of June, 2020, We started Tracking it on High Resolution.

We were able to Map one of the most rarest Event of weather on Earth, Birth of a Cycle & this one was going to impact us in 3 days.

Since Our Ground Station cannot be Operather under Storm due to lightening landing on Antenna and other Dangers,

Ground Station was taken Offline immediately after 1st reading of Storm Nisarga or Birth of Cyclone Nisarga.

Ground Sation Remained offline for 13 days later due to heavy rain and thunder.

NOAA-19 Day Pass, 01-06-2020,

Location – Bharuch,

Ground Station Operator/Data Analyst – Ankit Sharma

This is a 3D Image (need Anaglyph Glasses) – (Please ask Ground Station Team For further Assistance)

























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Then We moved on to CubeSat, We received our 1st CubeSat as Follows :-

JY1SAT (JO-97) Date – 14/06/2020 Night Time Pass Location – Bharuch, Ground Station Operator/Data Analyst – Ankit Sharma





15/06/2020 FunCube-1 (Sunset Pass) Location – Bharuch, Ground Station Operator/Data Analyser – Ankit Sharma,




Airplane ADS-B Signals were also Decoded.

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17/06/2020 2 - CubeSat Nayif-1, JY1SAT(Night Pass) Location – Bharuch, Ground Station Operator/Data Analyser – Ankit Sharma,





19/06/2020 Nayif-1, (Night Pass) Location – Bharuch, Ground Station Operator/Data Analyser – Ankit Sharma,

After a Brief Discussion with AMSAT-UK, we did some Technical Adjustment to Get CubeSat Messages.

Here on this pass we got our 1st Non English Message (Arabic)

6/19/2020 5:11:37 PM 885690 PM7 2 2 d / / / 3 N e Heste Reste Reste Reste Reste Rester Hester Rester Hester Rester Rester Hester Rester Rest

Translated as

Stress, no variations on custom my duty / functions verse , the charter of emirates, awshah (yemen) daughter of saudi khalifa that release/ give off / project Aliha sahab , the highness, al shaikh mahamad bin rashid al maktum the title " girl of the arab"

I samrah astatamr sahab titled al shaikh mahamad bin rashid al maktum in small appeal from children and daughters of emirates before two more years.

I became able to caress the universities of dawla of emirates..

21/06/2020 Nayif-1, (Day Pass) Location – Bharuch, Ground Station Operator/Data Analyser – Ankit Sharma,

Receive Time	Sequence	Packet	Message			
6/21/2020 5:57:30 AM	886795	FM6	القصيدة هي "برقن روس الشرابف ما بنزل غالوظاه، حيث الطويل النايف لي فالنظرة خلاه، نايف وقدره ناببف وكل العرب ترضاه"			
6/21/2020 5:57:24 AM	886795	FM5	ولقد نقش على شعار مهمتي قصيدة للشاغرة الإمارائية غوشة بنت خليفة السويدي والتي أطلق عليها صاحب السمو الشيخ محمد بن راشد أل مكتوم لقب "فتاة الغرب"			
6/21/2020 5:57:18 AM	886795	FM4	انا ثمرة استثمار صاحب السمو الشيخ محمد بن راشد آل مكتوم في مجموعة صغيرة من أبناء وبنات الإمارات قبل أكثر من عشرة سنوات. والآن أصبحت جامعات ذوله الإمارات - قادرة على بناء أفسار إصطناعية			
6/21/2020 5:55:36 AM	886794	FM7	5 2 d o ./+/3 A e FCe3Ce FCe3C			
6/21/2020 5:55:30 AM	886794	FM6	القصيدة هن "برقن روس الشرابف ما بنزل غالوظام حيث الطويل التابف لى فالنظرة خلاه، نابف وقدره ناببق وكل العرب ترضاه"			

Translated as: -

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This is engraved on the slogan of the mission of a poem by the Emirati poet Awcheh bint Khalifa Al Suwaidi, which His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum called "the girl of the Arabs"

I am the result of the investment of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum in a small group of sons and daughters of the Emirates more than ten years ago. Now, UAE universities are able to build satellites

On 26th of June, 2020, we Received 100 % transmission of the Cubesat NAYIF-1 and JY1SAT (Day Pass)

26/06/2020			
Nayif-1, JY1	SAT (I	Day F	Pass)
Location – B	Sharu	ch,	
Ground Stat	ion O	pera	itor/Data Analyser – Ankit Sharma,
6/26/2020 5:34:54 AM	890395	FM7	5 2 d ./+/3 Ce FCe3Ce FCe3Ce FCe3Ce FCe3Ce FCe3Ce FCe3Ce FCe3Ce F119011DFt6EiC11cBAg8Ag69c FCe3Ce FC
6/26/2020 5:34:48 AM	890395	FM6	الفصيدة هي "برمن روس الشرابعا ما شرل مالوطام حيث الطويل الثابعا لي عالنظرة خلاماتها، وعدره نابعا، وكل الحرب برضام"
6/26/2020 5:34:42 AM	890395	FM5	ولقد نقش غلب شعار مهمتي قصيدة للشاعرة الإماراتية غوشة بنت حليفة السويدي والتي أطلق عليها صاحب السمو الشيخ محمد بن راشد آل مكتوم لقب "غتاة الحرب"
6/26/2020 5:34:36 AM	890395	FM4	انا لمرة استثمار صاحب السمو الشيخ محمد بن راشد آل مكتوم في مجموعة صنفيرة من أبناء وبنات الإمارات قبل أكثر من عشرة سنوات. والآن أصبحت جامعات دولة الإمارات قادرة على بناء أقمار إصطناعية
6/26/2020 5:34:30 AM	890395	FM3	كما فام فريق إدارة المفروع من مركز محمد بن راشد للفضاء وهم إيراهيم الفاسمن، حصة المطروس وفاظمة لوناه بالإشراف على مهمدن
6/26/2020 5:34:24 AM	890395	EM2	الفريق الذي عمل على تصميمي ويناقى هو: خليفة المهري، عبدالله السحب عادية المعنين، مبناء الشيرلوي، أحبد الشاعر، حصة على وسيماء المرزومي
6/26/2020 5:34:18 AM	890395	FM1	لقد بلعث الفضاء؛ انا تابف-1 أول قمر إصطناعي جامعي من دولة الإمارات واقد عمل على بنالي فربق من طلبة الهندسة الإماراتيون من الجامعة الأمريكية في الشارعة
6/26/2020 5:32:54 AM	890394	FM7	5 2.d //+/3 Ce RCe3Ce FCe3Ce F
6/26/2020 5:32:48 AM	890394	FM6	القصيدة هي "برقين رؤس الشرايف ما بترل فالوطات جبت الطويل النايف لي فالنظوة خلام، نايف وقدره نايف وكل الغرب ترضاه"
6/26/2020 5:32:42 AM	890394	FM5	ولقد نقش على شخار مهمتي قصيدة للشاعرة الإماراتية عوشه بنت خليفه السويدي والتي أطلق عليها صاحب السمو الشيخ محمد بن راشد آل مكتوم لقب "غتاه الحرب"
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6/26/2020 5:32:30 AM	890394	FMS	كما فام فزيق إدارة المشروع من مركز محمد بن راشد للفضاء وهم إبراهم الفاسمي، حصة المطروش وفاطمة لوناه بالإشراف على مهمدن
6/26/2020 5:30:48 AM	890393	FM6	القصيدة هي "برقي روس الدرايف ما بنزل فالوطاه، حيث الطويل النايف لي فالنظرة حلاء، نايف وقدره نايف وكل العرب ترضاه"
6/26/2020 5:30:42 AM	890393	FM5	ولقد نقش على شغار مهمتن قصيدة للشاعرة الإماراتية عوشة ننت خليفة السويدي والتي أطلق عليها صاحب السمو الشيخ محمد بن راشد آل مكنوم لقب "غتاة العرب"
6/26/2020 5:30:36 AM	890393	FM4	انا تمرة استثمار صاحب السمو الشيخ محمد بن راشد أل مكتوم في مجموعة صغيرة من أبناء وبنات الإمارات قبل أكثر من عنترة سنوات، والآن أصبحت جامعات دولة الإمارات. عادرة على بناء العمار إصطناعية
6/26/2020 5:30:24 AM	890393	FM2	القريق الذي عمل على تصميمي وبنائي هو: خليفة المهيري، عبدالله الشحي، فادية المعيني، مينًاء الشيرلوي، أحمد الشاغر، حصة على وشيماء المرزوقي
6/26/2020 5:30:18 AM	890393	FM1	لقد بلغت الفضاء! انا تايف-1 أول قبر إصطناعي جامعي من دولة الإمارات ولقد عمل على ينائي فريق من طلبة الهندسة الإماراتيون من الجامعة الأمريكية في الشارقة
6/26/2020 5:28:54 AM	890392	FM7	5 2 d . / + / 3 Ce FCe3Ce FCe3Ce FCe3Ce FCe3Ce FCe3Ce FCe3Ce FCe3Ce F11t901tDFt6EtC11c8Aq8Aq69c FCe3Ce FCe3Ce FCe3Ce FCe3Ce FCe3Ce FCe3Ce F11t901tDFt6EtC11c8Aq8Aq69c FCe3Ce FCe3

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Translated as

6/26/2020 5:28:42 AM 890392

The poem, she dung with a paper, the sherrifs. What with a hostel . The gossio where the long Naif (naif can be a name or the literal meaning is lofty or eminent) to me . The look his solution naif and appreciate it naif and every arab to please him

ولقد نقش على شعار مهمتي قصيدة للشاعرة الإماراتية غوشة بنت خليفة السويدي والتي أطلق عليها صاحب السمو الشيخ محمد بن راشد آل مكتوم لقب "عتاة الحرب" 🛛 FM5

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Then We moved on to ORBCOMM They are a group of ~30 Satellites.

29/06/2020 ORBCOMM(Day Pass) Location – Bharuch, Ground Station Operator/Data Analyser – Ankit Sharma,



Then we moved on one of the most amazing Satellite – MeteorM2 The have camera onboard which send live images from space. They are a Weather Satellite.

With This We started our Section – My eyes in Space

05/07/2020 Meteor M2(Day Pass) – Only Transmits in Day Location – Bharuch, Ground Station Operator/Data Analyser – Ankit Sharma,

Image With Curvature Effect









On same Day we Received a Rare Sight of twilight (The Line that Separates Light and Dark part of earth.

NOAA-15 & NOAA – 19

05/07/2020 Location – Bharuch, Ground Station Operator/Data Analyser – Ankit Sharma,

Some Images are in 3D,


































































































07-05-2020 Meteor M2(Day Pass) Location – Bharuch, Ground Station Operator/Data Analyser – Ankit Sharma,

Our 2nd Eye in Space Pictures

1st image is With Curvature , Others are Rectified















Meteor Satellite Data:










Ground Station Summary

At present,

Our ground station has received data from 7 SAT successfully and even decoded and verified it. The 6 sat are: -

- 1. NOAA -18,
- 2. NOAA -19,
- 3. NOAA-15,
- 4. JY1SAT(JO-97),
- 5. NAYIF 1(EO-88), (Arabic)
- 6. Fun Cube 1(AO-73)
- 7. Meteor M2

We have received data in English as well as Arabic and even pictorially.

We have received undeciphered /unverified data from the following Satellite and we plan to verify/decode data from the following Sat :-

Number of Sat - 43

- 1. RADfxSat(Fox-1B)(AO-91)
- 2. Fox-1Cliff(AO-95)
- 3. Fox-1D (AO-92)
- 4. ISS FM & SSTV data
- 5. BEESAT 4
- 6. BEESAT 3
- 7. BEESAT 2
- 8. Triton 1
- 9. ORBCOMM (group of ~35 sat)

Total Sat Received - 50.

We have reached 50 number of satellites in receiving.

And 7 satellite which we have verified data from.

Approximate cost of this Ground station is 10k INR.

Hence we can Say we have Established a Full Fledge Ground Station.

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Team Name :

VMEG-SBST

Team members :

SAI SOHITH AKANA

ANCHI RAHUL KUSHAL

Gnanadeep Gudapati

Team Mentor :

Dr. Sulakshana Chilukuri (Assosciate Professor)

Location :

Telangana, India

Category:

Weather Satellite images (NOAA/METEOR) (CAT I)

Drawings of Installed Antenna:

We have prepared a **Double Cross Antenna** and below are it's dimensions(on a scale-mm)







PARTS LIST			
ITEM	QTY	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
1	1	Part1	Plastic box with 5 holes
2	8	Part2	End cap PVC Ø32mm
3	4	Part3	Tee pipe PVC Ø32mm
4	8	Part4	PVC pipe Ø32mm x 140mm
5	1	Part5	PVC pipe Ø50mm x 1500mm
6	4	Part6	PVC pipe Ø32mm x 220mm
7	8	Part7	Metal rod Ø6mm x 510mm
8		Not shown	Antenna support structure
9		Not shown	Angle bracket

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Photographs of installed base station:









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Components Required to build the base-station:

Options for Ground Stations

A satellife ground station is made up from different parts. The following diagram can help you select your setup based on your needs and/or your existing setup.



Picture source : wiki.satnogs.org

The above picture is a best example to build a base-station in multiple ways. It provides us with multiple options. (satnogs servers can be ignored).

The base-station that we have built is using bottom flow from above figure.

PC -> Software Defined Radio -> Low Noise Amplifier -> Stationary antenna

We have used <u>Nooelec NESDR Smart V4</u>, a RTL2832U & R820T2-based software defined radio.

A <u>SPF5189Z</u> Low Noise Amplifier to boost received signals.

Materials used to build basestation:

- 1) Software Defined Radio- Nooelec NESDR Smart V4
- 2) SPF5189Z Low Noise Amplifier
- 3) SMA male to SMA male connectors
- 4) Double Cross antenna
 - a)5mm(Ø) Aluminium rods
 - b) 2/3 inch and ³/₄ inch pvc pipes
 - c) Antenna holder
 - d) T and X joints
- 5) RG-58 Co-Axial Cable
- 6) SMA female pins

















WCRC's CONTACT2020 COMPETITION

Team name: REVA-SAT-1

Team members: AJITH KUMAR JOEL T, CHANDAN MN, CHARAN YADAV NP

Location: INDIA

Meteor Images:












NOAA Images:

























WCRC's CONTACT2020 COMPETITION

Team name: REVA-SAT-2

Team members: PAVAN KALYAN REDDY, CHARAN M, CHANDANA P R

Location: INDIA

Meteor Images:



NOAA Images:





























