

## RFI Measurements and Monitoring at "Quasar" Network Observatories.

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**RFI Monitoring** 

**RFI types** 

Interaction with the state RF spectrum regulation services (state and local)

**RFI and Wideband spectrum analyzer** 

## New generation Russian VLBI network (proposed location)



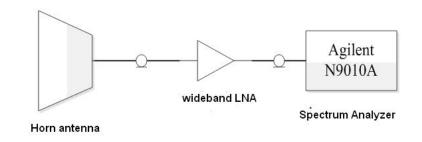
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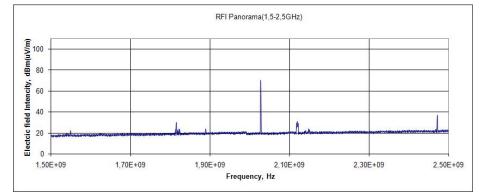


Wavelength,	Frequency	Bandwidth,	LO freq.	IF Bandwidth,
cm	band	GHz	GHz	MHz
18—21	L	1.38—1.72	1.26	130—470
13	S	2.15—2.50	2.02	130—480
6.2	С	4.60—5.10	4.50	100—600
3.5	X	8.18—9.08	8.08	100—1000
1.35	К	22.02—22.52	21.92	100—600

#### Wideband RFI Measurement



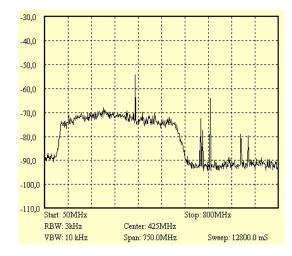


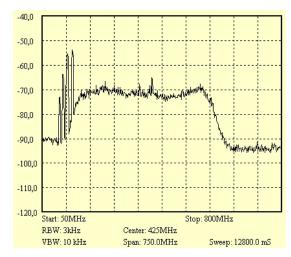


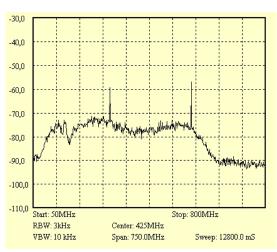
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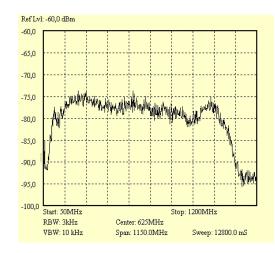
#### RFI Measurement in receiver IF bands. Made regular, 4 times a year.





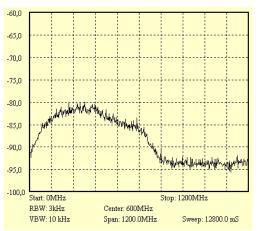


L-band









X-band

K-band

## RFI types

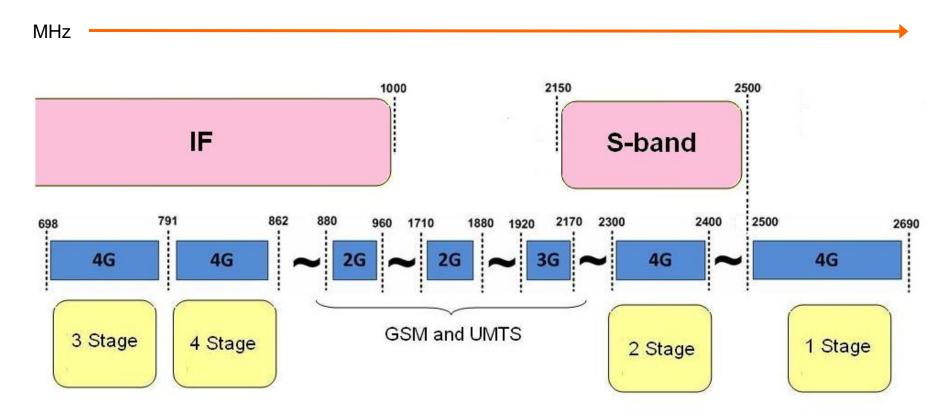


RFI	Source	Input frequency, MHz	Level, over sys- tem noise, dBm	Notes
L - band	Radionavigational satellite (GLONASS L1, GPS L1)	1598,0625-1608,75 1575,42	25-30	Maximum value
	Mobile (GSM)	1710-1720	25	Azimuth depended
S - band	Mobile (UMTS)	2134-2139	1-5	high-pass filter added
	Fixed service , MW oven (Svetloe only)	2400-2500	15	Direction on resort, 2km distance
C - band	Spurious harmonics PLL	4800, 4900	30	Will be removed after PLL upgrade
	DORIS (Badary only)	401,2510	10	
X - band	Clear			
K - band	Clear			



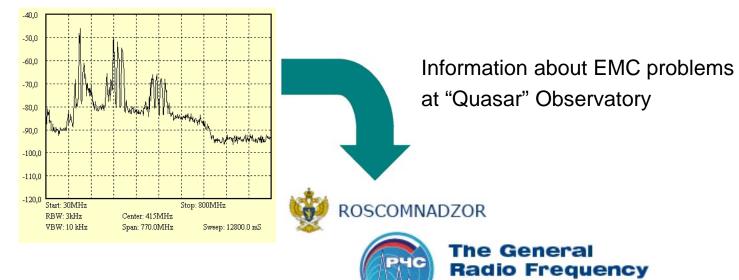


#### The introduction of LTE standard in the Russian Federation



# Interaction with the state RF spectrum regulation services



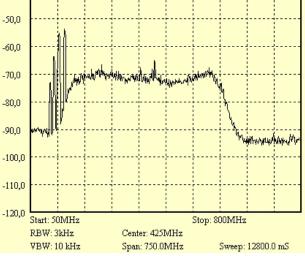


An expertise of the radio electronic facilities and their EMC. RFI level control and recovery EMC



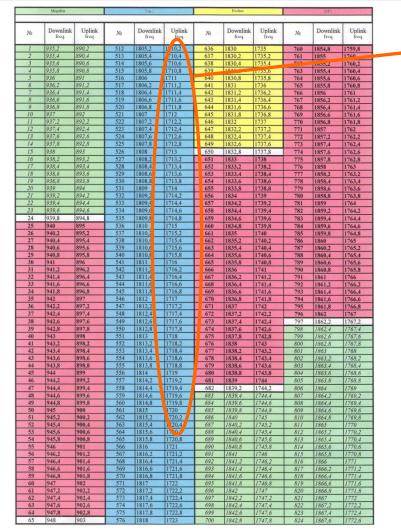
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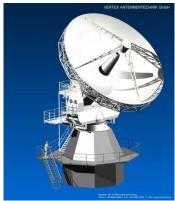
#### **L-band frequency**

The Radio Frequency Centre of the North-West Federal Area decided to disable the mobile operators in the range of 1710-1720 MHz because of EMC violation with the radio telescope RT-32-01 of "Quasar" Network

Frequency distribution of mobile operators in Svetloe Observatory

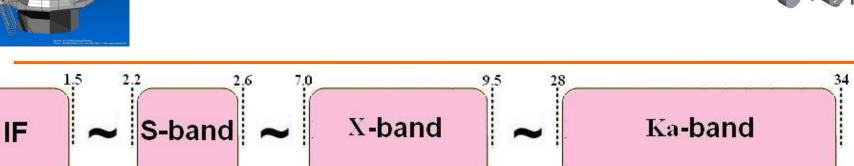


## Receiver frequency bands for the new generation VLBI network.



Status:

Vertex antenna (Twin type) Construction in Badary and Zelenchukskaya is started



Doc's sent for registration to the State Radio Frequency Comission

GHz

## Wideband spectrum analyzer



The spectrally selective system of registration allows to do:

- Measurement of receiving and amplifying channel;
- Radiometry in the continuum;
- Registration of radio emission in the spectral lines;
- Registration of radio interference.

The spectrum computation module was built using ultra-fast wideband ADC, demultiplexer and FPGA with configuration which allows to calculate (using Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)), collect and transmit to the computer averaged spectrums.

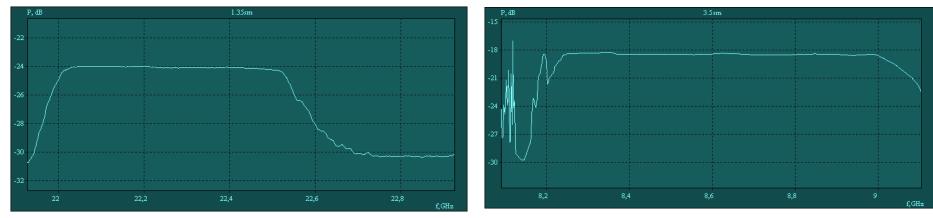
Characteristics of the developed module:

- Number of channels: 1 or 2;
- Input bandwidth, MHz: 1024, 512, 256
- The number of spectral channels (FFT points): 1024
- Spectral resolution, MHz: 1, 0.5, 0.25
- Supports both the modulation and full power mode;
- Integrating time, s: 0.5 1800





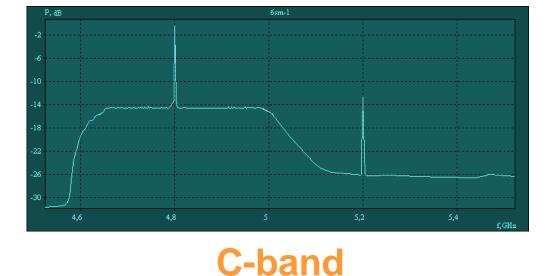




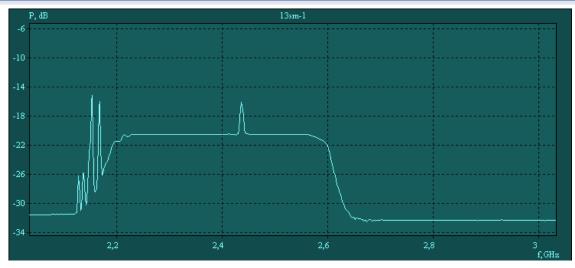
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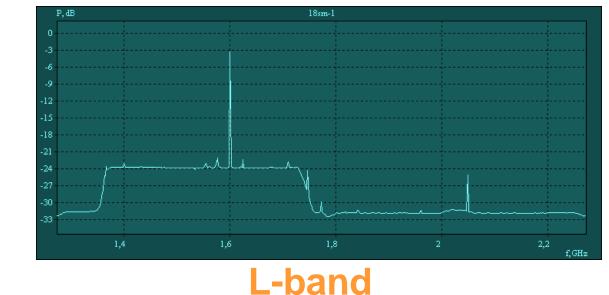








#### **S-band**

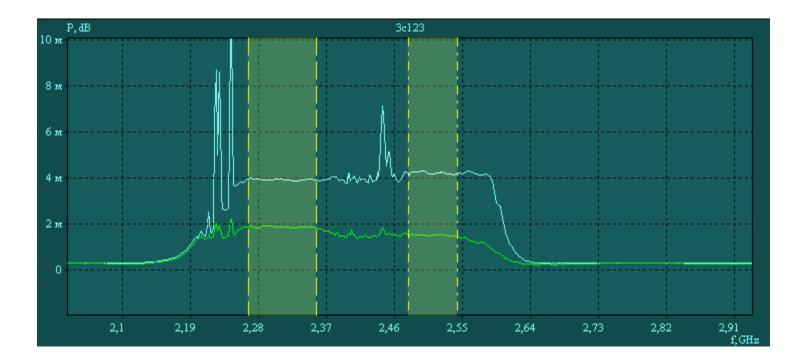


#### $\Delta f = 1 GHz$



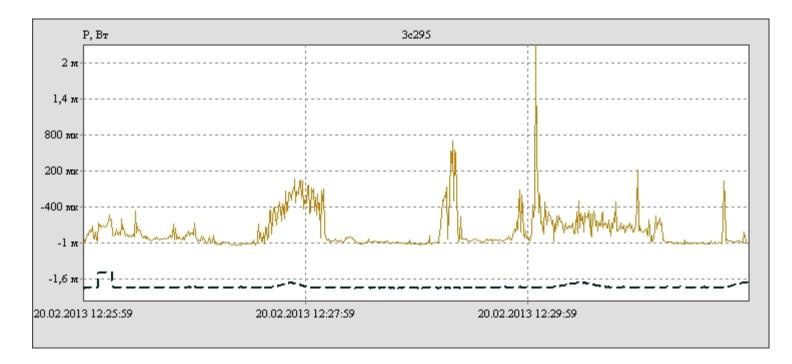


## **RFI Selection**



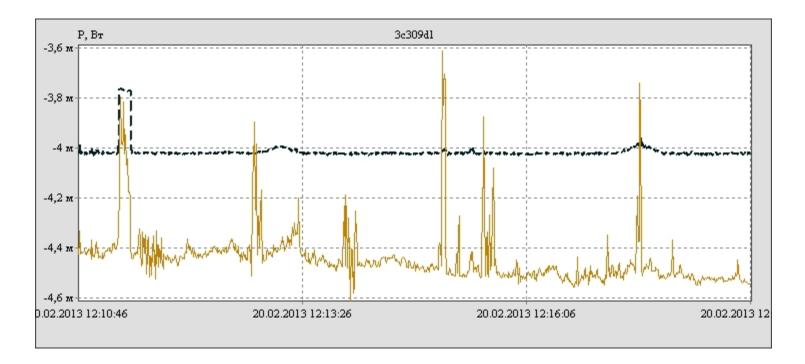


Source	Frequency band	Date and Time	Azimuth and elevation	Flux, Jy	Т, К	Δ <i>f</i> , MHz without RF	Integration time, s	Ts min calc, K	Ts min meas, K
3c295	L	20.02.13 12:33:12	342; 24.7	20.49	3.57	112	0.5	0.054	0.059



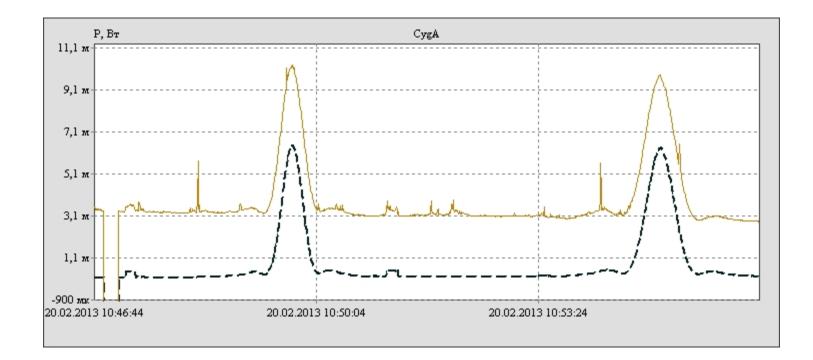


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3c309'1	L	20.02.13 12:18:02	342.2; 45.3	6.97	1.217	52	0.5	0.119	0.129

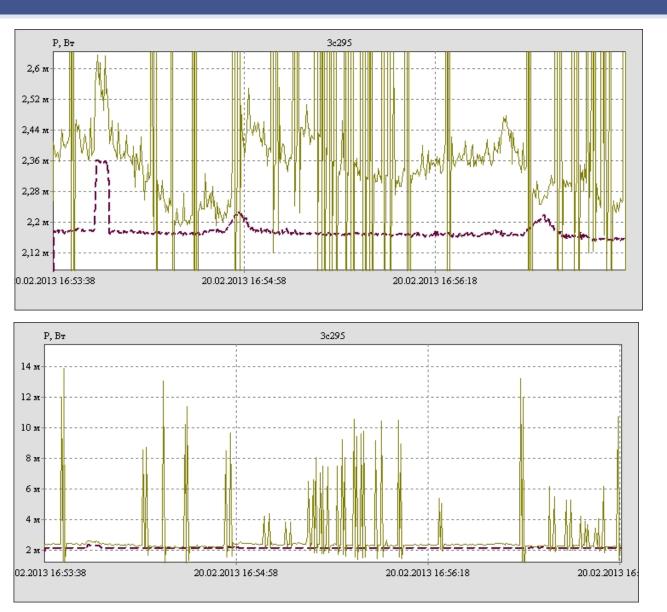




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CygA	L	20.02.13 10:56:04	249.7; 58.4	1600	279.4	250	0.5	0.057	0.058

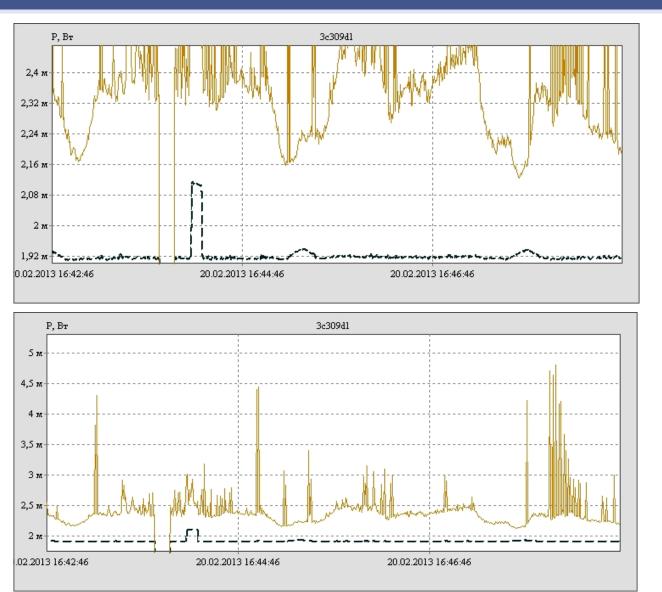






Source	3c295		
Frequency band	S		
Date and Time	20.02.13 16:55:14		
Azimuth and elevation	25.9; 27.1		
Flux, Jy	13.9		
Т, К	1.944		
Δ <i>f</i> , MHz without RFI	28		
Integration time, s	0.5		
Ts min calc, K	0.126		
Ts min meas, K	0.133		





Source	3c309'1		
Frequency band	S		
Date and Time	20.02.13 16:48:10		
Azimuth and elevation	10.6; 43.3		
Flux, Jy	5.22		
т, к	0.733		
Δ <i>f</i> , MHz without RFI	126		
Integration time, s	0.5		
Ts min calc, K	0.056		
Ts min meas, K	0.061		





#### At the moment, the most effective method to protect and save current RFI level at "Quasar" Network Observatories:

- Active interaction with the local state RF spectrum regulation services for regulation EMC problems.
- In perspective: RFI selection with digital data registration system.



## Thank you for attention!