144MHZ - EME

Small EME station for 144MHz Earth-Moon-Earth contacts.

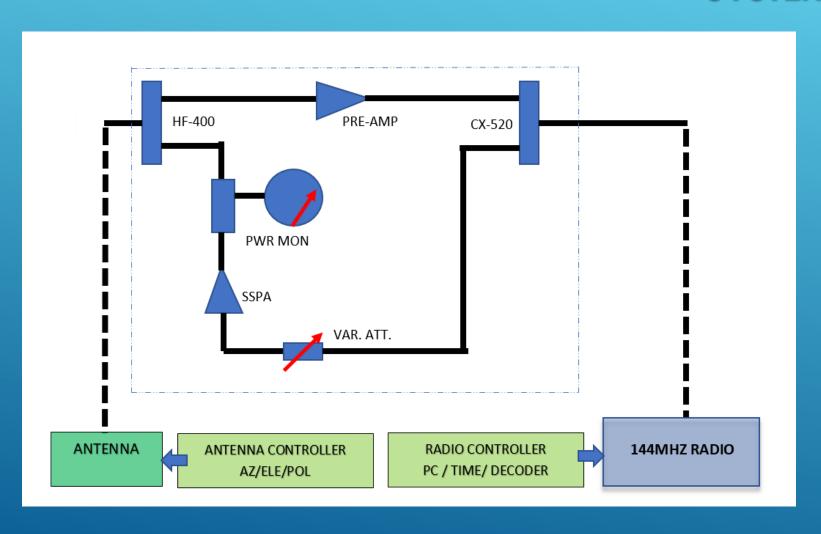
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OVERVIEW OF REQUIREMENTS.

- System configuration
- > Antenna
- > TRX radio
- > Sequencer
- Pre-amplifier
- > RF power amplifier
- > Software
- **Results**

SYSTEM CONFIGURATION

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ANTENNA



DK7ZB 9EL.

• LENGTH: 5M

• GAIN: 12.4dB

• AZ CONTROL

• ELE CONTROL

POL CONTROL (OPTIONAL)

• BALUN FOR HIGH POWER



DETAIL ELE / POL CONTROL

- 12 INCH ACTUATOR FOR ELE CONTROL
- STOLLE ROTOR FOR POLARISATION CONTROL
- ELE INDICATION USING VELLEMAN K8035 UP/DOWN COUNTER

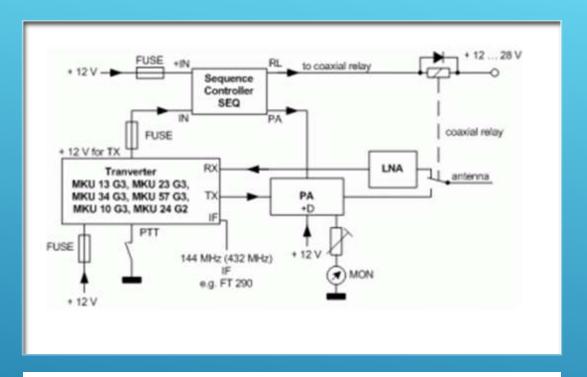
TRX - RADIO

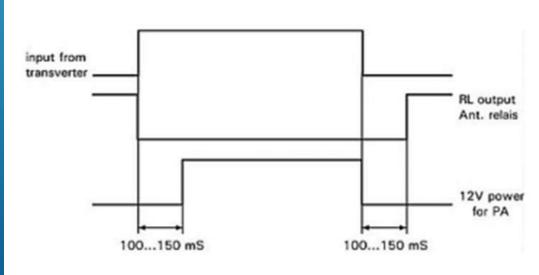


ICOM IC-201

- STABLE FREQUENCY OUTPUT
- ACCURATE FREQUENCY INDICATION
- Modified VFO using SI-570 device (SDR-Kits)
- Computer Control for TX/ RX/- AUDIO IN/OUT
- Computer interface: USB-RS232 Stratech 2321F

SEQUENCER





DB6NT SEQ-01

- TO PROTECT PRE-AMPLIFIER
 - TO PROTECT RF AMPLIFIER
- TO PROTECT RF COAXIAL RELAIS

PRE-AMPLIFIER

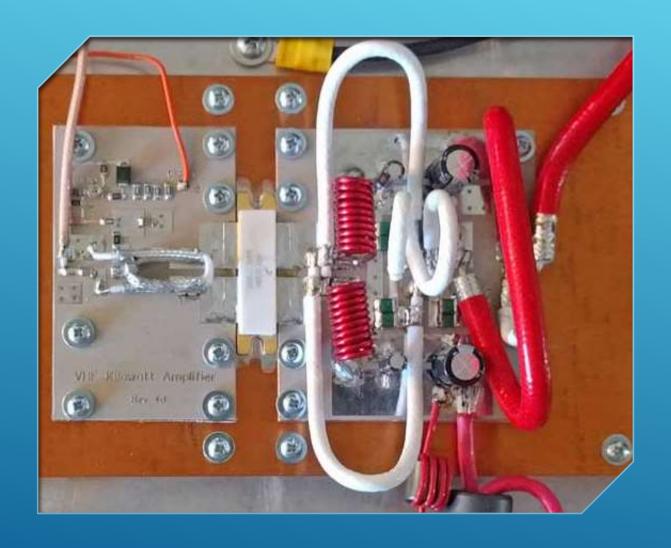


G4DDK PGA144

NF: 0.5dB

Gain: 20 dB (adjustable)

RF-AMPLIFIER



W6PQL SSPA

LDMOSFET application

Input power: 2Watt maximum

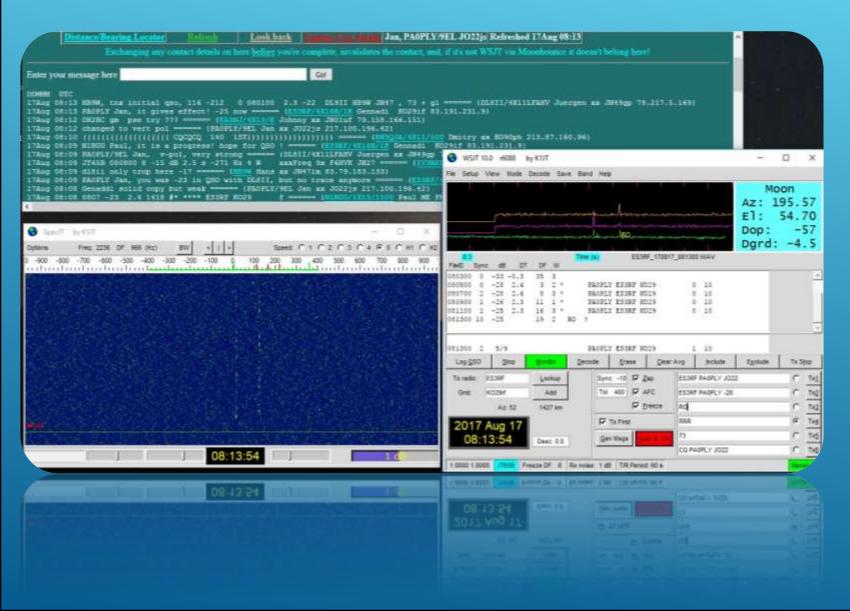
Output power: > 1kWatt

• Efficiency: 70%

• Supply: 48-50Vdc

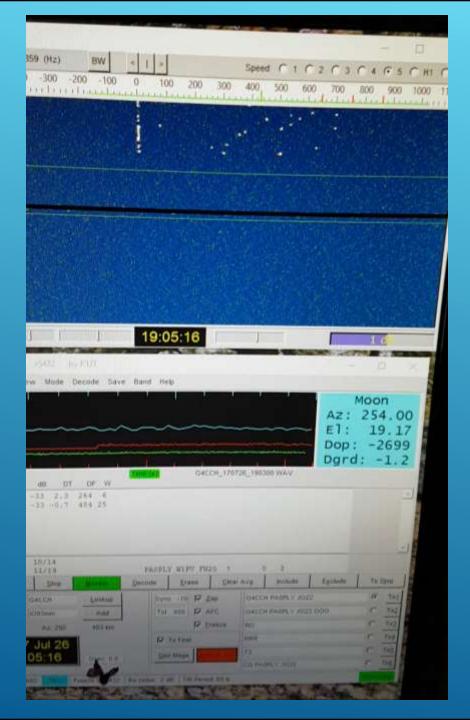
SOFTWARE

REQUIRED SOFTWARE PACKAGES



- WSJT JT65B decoder
- EME Chatbox NOUK
 - Dimension-4 Computer time

FUNCTIONAL TEST

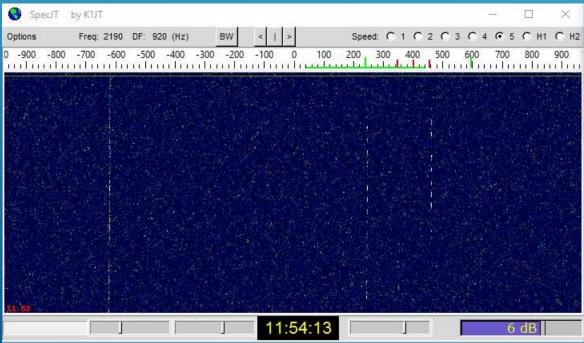


Functional JT65 EME QSO

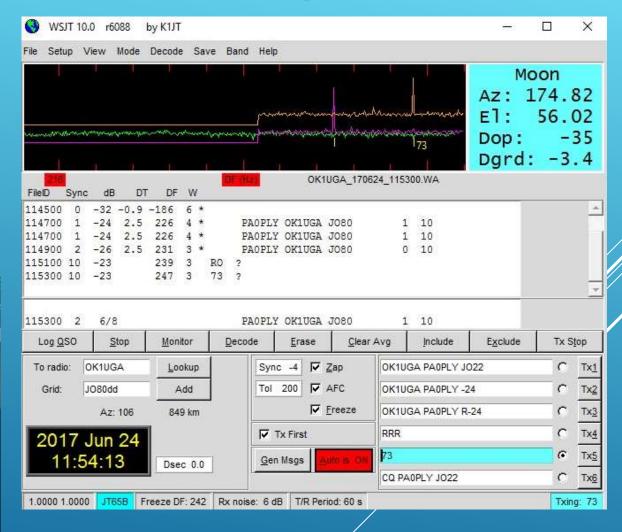
- JT65 signal: sync + 65 tones
- TX/RX period: 60 sec
- At 50 sec: decoding of rx signals.
- G4CCH signal of -9dB is audible!

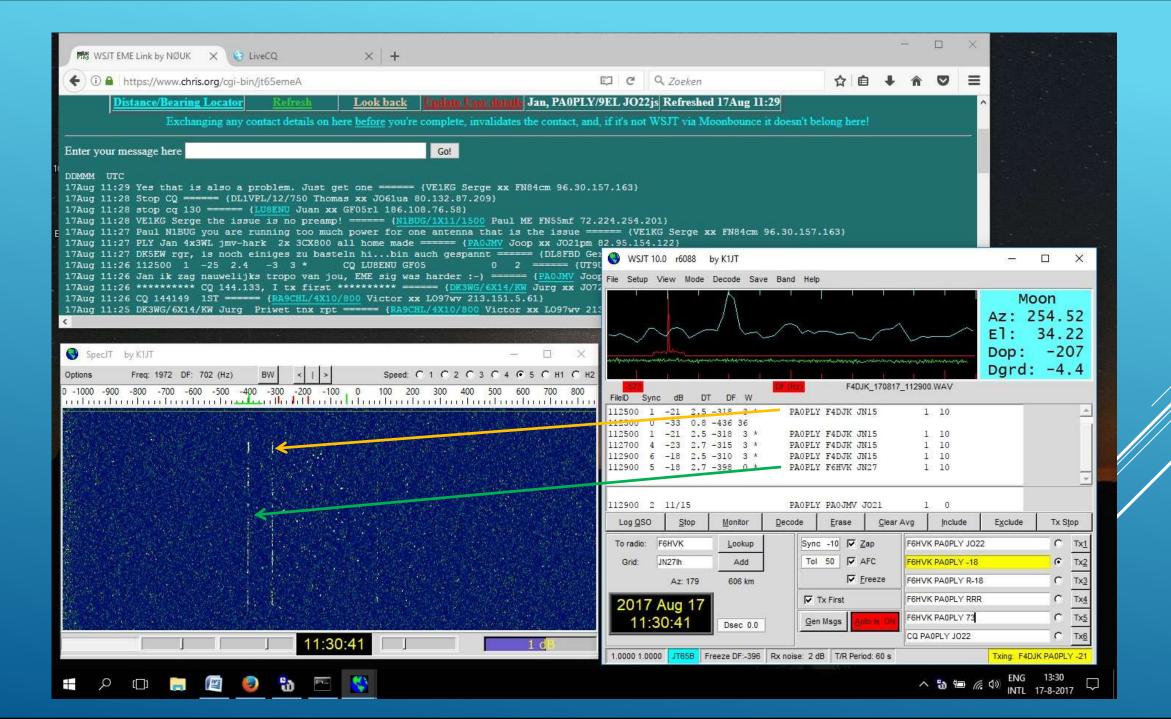
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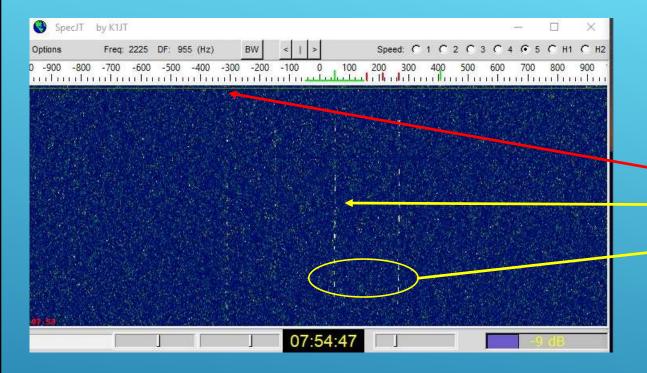




FIRST EME QSO!!



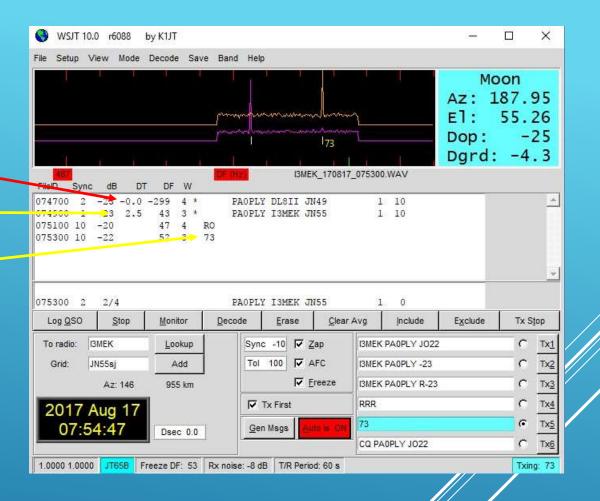




Signal of DL8II is on DT -0.0 => Tropo signal DF=-299

Signal of I3MEK is on DT 2.5sec => Moon Echo DF=43

Decoded "73" message is an easy to recognize shorthand message. (so is "RO")



Thanks for your attention

Good Luck and CU off the moon!

73's Jan PAOPLY