



HASP Monthly Status Report

Report Month: March 2023
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Institution: Gannon University
Payload Number: 2023-12
Payload Name: UHF-Band Video-Streaming Payload

I) Activities During Previous Month:

- a) Video Source (Raspberry Pi) --- Kalkidan, Zoey: A single Raspberry Pi 3B has been configured to use 3 webcams to simultaneously video stream via a wideband radio; in-lab test is in progress with a pair of M5 (5.8 GHz) radios to refine the PoE Power board is refined to output 15V to power up the M5; tested video streaming with: "R-pi -- M5 Tx – M5 Rx – VLC on laptop" with workbench power supplies; also tested with batteries to estimate video streaming duration; tested using 1, 2, and 3 cameras while keeping the R-Pi's CPU time to 30~40%.
- b) I5 CPU for DTA2115B – Sara, Jack: Teste various modulation settings to find the most effective streaming configuration; concluded that the constellations and power draw were relatively unaffected by the changes in modulation. Likely to use 64 QAM or QPSK for baseband modulation, subject to further testing.
- c) Front-end Power Amplifier – Andrew, Hannah, Sara: Tested a UHF power amplifier at 446 MHz and 906 MHz via a coax cable to a spectrum analyzer to verify the gain and transmit power. Max. 23 dBm is the target Tx power; unfortunately, during the testing, the amplifier stopped producing the output – debugging in progress to determine the cause of it and the next course of action (to procure another unit, if necessary).
- d) Auto start for video streaming at boot-up – Jack, Sara: work has been in progress to make the i5 CPU auto-run DTA2115B at boot-up; a batch script was drafted and its testing is in progress.
- e) Payload thermal control plan – Zack, N. Conklin: Ordered 1/8" Thick, 18" x 18" aluminum sheet for the inner layer of our payload enclosure; literature review is in progress for optimizing thermal condition; also configuration of the Raspberry Pi is in progress for temperature sensors on a few key electronics as well as writing a script for the R-Pi to collect and send temperature data to ground via HASP serial.
- f) HAM Band Use Plans -- W. Lee, KC3GQE:
 - On March 20th, contacted NM and AZ Amateur Radio Frequency Coordination Committees -- 440-450 MHz (Brian McCarthy AK7F) and 900 MHz (Dave Hall, N7ZPY) for central and northern AZ, and Neil Addis, W7FED, NMFCC Secretary and Database Manager and Central NM Frequency Coordinator; waiting to hear from them with a follow-up email sent on 3/28/23.
 - Frequency to transmit (and no reception at the payload): either 442-450 MHz or 902-910 MHz. Our DTA2115B works over a wide range of frequencies from 32 MHz to 2,186 MHz using up to eight independent 8 MHz bandwidth channels; we will use only one 8 MHz channel to fit 6~8 MHz bandwidth for the video quality. As DTA2115B uses OFDM technology, a minimum of 6 MHz (and a maximum of 8 MHz) bandwidth is required.

II) Issues Encountered:

- The power amplifier was concluded not functional after testing and will get another one.

III) Milestones Achieved:

- No specific milestone in the month of March

IV) Plans for Coming Month:

- To complete PSIP by 4/28/23

V) Other Comments or Questions for HASP Management:

- None at the moment.

VI) Team Composition and Organization:

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Name ⁽ⁱ⁾	Start Date	End Date	Role	Student Status	Race ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	Ethnicity ⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾	Gender ⁽ⁱ⁾	Disabled
Wookwon Lee	1/9/23	Present	Faculty Advisor	Faculty	Asian	Non-Hispanic	Male	No
Nicholas Conklin	1/9/23	Present	Faculty Co-Advisor	Faculty	White	Non-Hispanic	Male	No
Andrew Snowdy	1/9/23	Present	Project Lead	Undergraduate	White	Non-Hispanic	Male	No
Kalkidan Lakew	1/9/23	Present	Video source operation & integration	Undergraduate	Black	Non-Hispanic	Female	No
Hannah Jacobs	1/9/23	Present	UHF front-end electronics	Undergraduate	White	Non-Hispanic	Female	No
Zoey McClain	1/9/23	Present	Video source operation & integration	Undergraduate	White	Non-Hispanic	Female	No
Sara Jones	1/9/23	Present	UHF modulator operation & testing	Undergraduate	White	Non-Hispanic	Female	No
John (Jack) White	1/9/23	Present	i5 CPU integration	Undergraduate	White	Non-Hispanic	Male	No
Zachary Dickinson	2/8/23	Present	R-Pi & Thermal control	Undergraduate	White	Non-Hispanic	Male	No
Damien Chu	3/20/23	Present	R-Pi & Thermal control	Undergraduate	Asian	Non-Hispanic	Male	No

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