

HNRAO Observing Log
40.673181 N – 80.437885 W
EN90sq



Date: 19 February 2017

Object: Jupiter – Io-B

Observer: JB

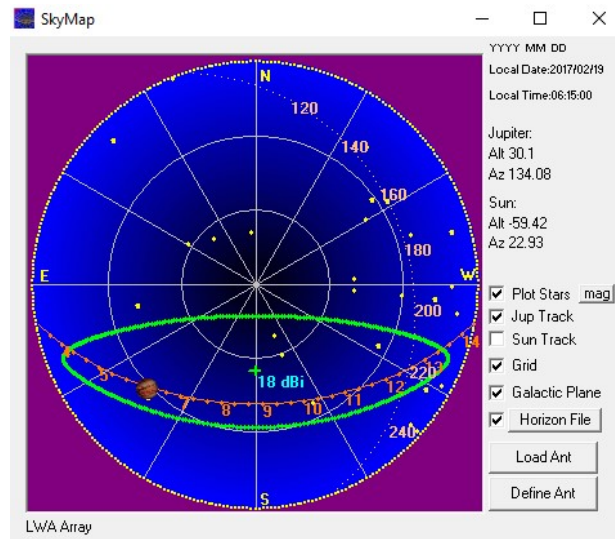
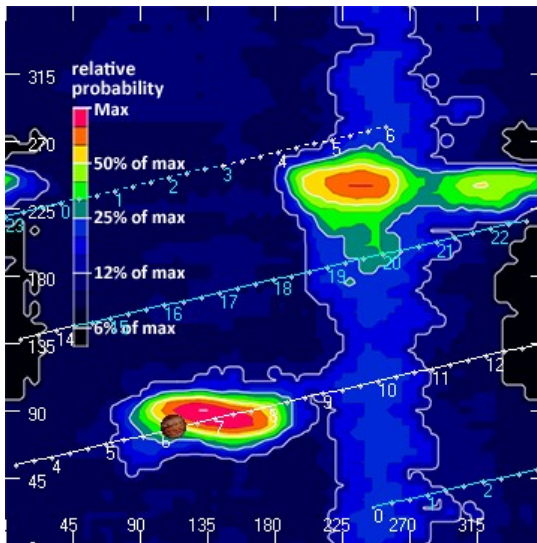
Start of pass:	0615 UT	Planetary K-index:	3
Jupiter Altitude:	30.1 degrees	Jupiter Azimuth:	134.1 degree
Jupiter CML:	112.71	Jupiter Io Phase:	078.40
Jupiter RA:	13:26	Jupiter Dec:	-07:27
Hour Angle:	-02:35	Polarization	RCP
Sun Altitude:	-59.4 degrees	Sun Azimuth:	022.9 degrees
Sun RA:	22:04	Sun Dec:	-11:52

End of pass:	0816 UT		
Jupiter Altitude:	41.2 degrees	Jupiter Azimuth:	168.8 degrees
Jupiter CML:	185.87	Jupiter Io Phase	095.37
Hour Angle:	-00:34		
Sun Altitude:	-43.3 degrees	Sun Azimuth:	064.0 degrees

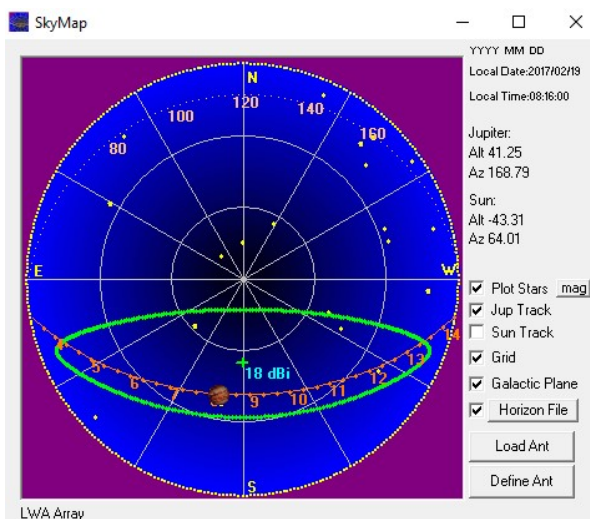
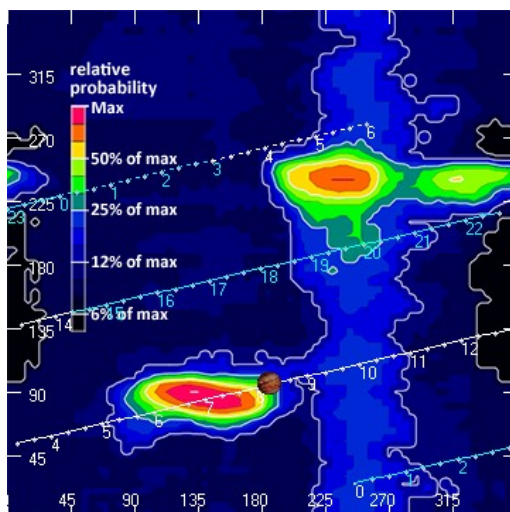
Observations made using:

1. FSX-8S fed by the TFD array
 - a. 7.7 dB loss between TFD and Multicouplers.
 - b. Connect to array through HNRAO Multicoupler #1 and #2, port 2
 - i. HNRAO Multicoupler #1 – TFD/LCP
 - ii. HNRAO Multicoupler #2 – TFD/RCP
 1. Port 1 having 10 dB of gain, all other ports have 3 dB gain.
2. FSX-2 fed by the LWA array directly
 - a. LWA element configuration – 90 degrees
3. JOVE 2 receiver fed by phased JOVE dipoles @ 10'
 - a. 12' phase cable - phased for 2016-17 season
 - b. Calibrated 4 February 2017
 - c. Connected to dipoles through HNRAO Multicoupler #3, port 1.
 - i. 3.165 dB loss between Multicoupler and dipoles.
4. Icom R75 receiver fed by experimental DDRR antenna directly.
 - a. Calibrated 4 February 2017

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Beginning of Pass



End of Pass

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Observing conditions:

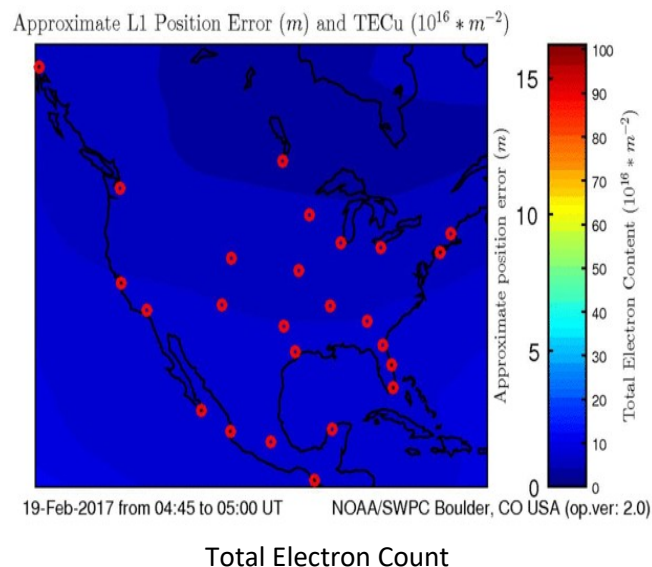
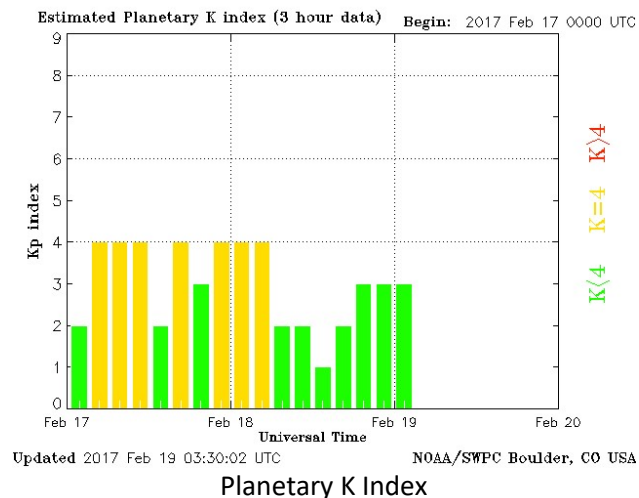
Temperature 50 degrees F, 61% humidity

Bad power line RFI. S-bursts will be difficult to identify.

Earth's magnetic field is on the verge of minor storming as our planet moves deeper into a stream of solar wind that arrived on Feb. 16th

Solar wind speed: 566.3 km/sec. density: 7.8 protons/cm³

X-ray Solar Flares: 6-hr max: B2 1952 UT Feb18, 24-hr: B3 0319 UT Feb18



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The observatory was plagued with terrible power line RFI. Thus, resolution of the emissions is poor.

An overall weak Io-B storm, given the fact that it was a near center pass. First signs of emission began here at approximately 0616 UT as possible L-bursts at 27 MHz. Since Io-B is vertex early, there must have been emission prior to the first observed here. LGM observatory confirmed the early vertex of emission. A later emission observed here at 0726 UT does show the early vertex positive drift emission. A visual explanation of early vs late vertex is shown at the end of this report.

L-bursts and S-bursts were visible, although from this observatory, it appeared that the early emissions were dominated by S-bursts. Positive slope modulation lanes were present. There were good S-bursts recorded on my SkyPipe chart from 0626 UT through 0730 UT, and at the end of the pass, L-bursts were recorded.

Most notable during this pass were the large number of horizontal emissions. N-events or S-burst trains, predominantly in the upper frequencies near 27 MHz, were visible off and on during the entire pass eventually drifting down to 21 MHz. Early ones were composed of S-bursts, while the later ones near the end of pass were L-bursts.

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0616 UT

Something. Probably RFI. Looks like N-event @ 26+ MHz.
Only on FSX-2/LWA
Not on FSX-8S/TFD nor AJ4CO spectrograph

0626 UT

SkyPipe seems to show S-burst activity. Also on LGM and AJ4CO.
No evidence on spectrographs, HNRAO, LGM or AJ4CO

0628 UT

Clear N-event @ 26 MHz
More apparent S-burst on SkyPipe

0629 UT

More SkyPipe S-bursts
Not on LGM or AJ4CO
Corresponding to Spectrograph emissions

0632 UT

Weak L-bursts at 26 MHz

0637 UT

More apparent weak "N-event" like activity at 25 MHz

0639 UT

Clear S-bursts at 17 MHz

0640 UT

More activity at 24 MHz
Strong S-bursts at 17 MHz

0642 UT

Stronger single burst at 23 MHz

0647 UT

S-bursts at 23 MHz

0649 UT

S-bursts at 16-17 MHz and 23 MHz.
23 MHz line appears to be N-event

0652 UT

Much stronger N-event @ 23 MHz
Seems to be strongest emissions so far.

0656 UT

More S-bursts 17 MHz dropping to 15 MHz

0704 UT

S-bursts 17 MHz

0705 UT

S-bursts 25 MHz

0706 UT

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S-bursts on SkyPipe
0714 UT
21 MHz
0715 UT
S-bursts SkyPipe
0716 UT
Line of S-bursts 26 MHz
0718 UT
19-17 MHz
0719 UT
S-bursts SkyPipe
0720 UT
Stronger S-bursts
Train? N-event? 27 MHz
0722 UT
S-bursts SkyPipe
Train/N event continues
0726 UT
Stronger emissions
0730 UT
L-bursts SkyPipe
0731 UT
L-bursts 26 MHz
0737 UT
L-bursts 25 MHz
N-event
0749 UT
Weak l-bursts 17-15 MHz
0752 UT
Very weak L-burst 17-19 MHz
0756 UT
Weak L-bursts 17 MHz
0800 UT
Weak L-bursts 15-17 MHz
0802 UT
0816 UT
Last emissions

End of report.

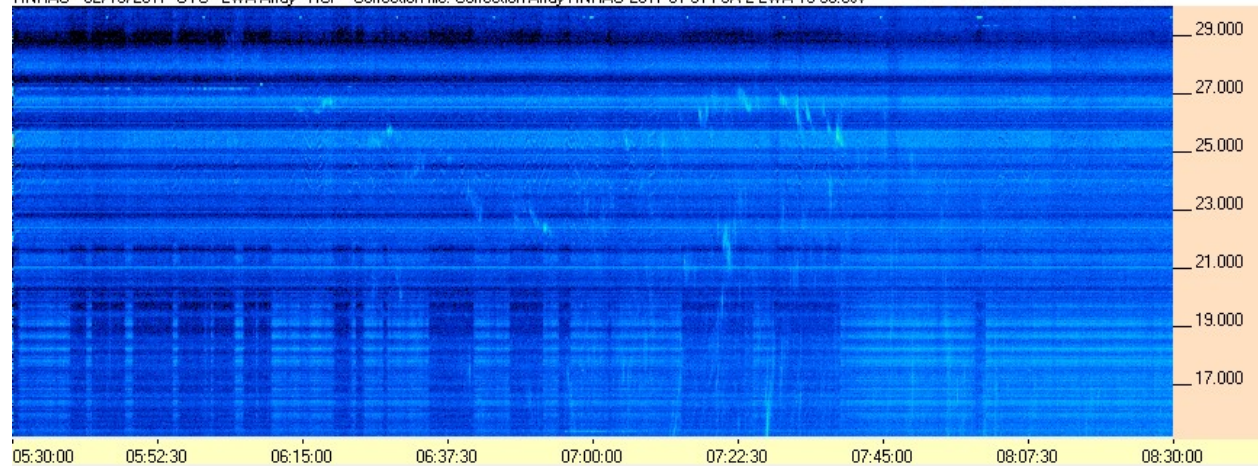
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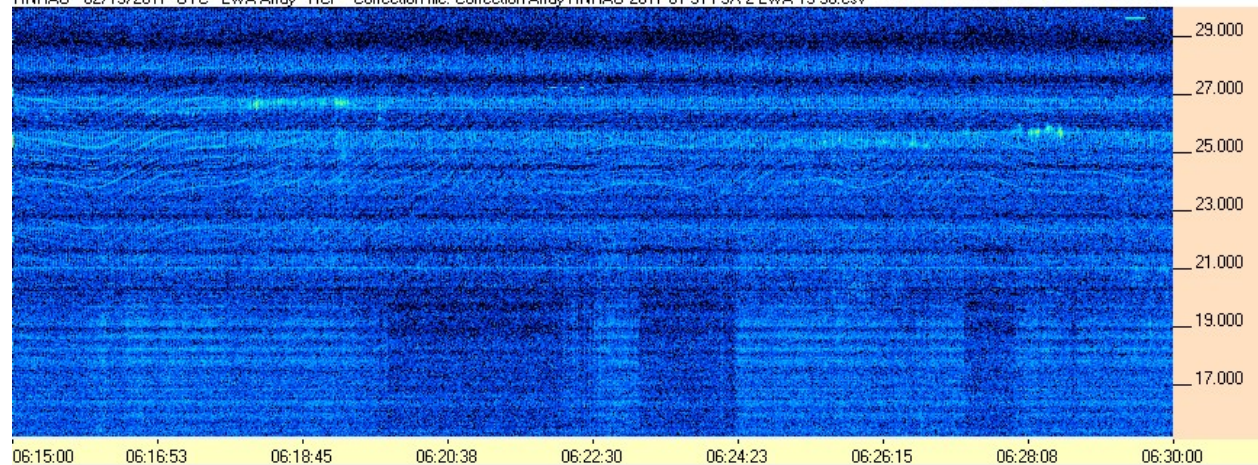
For comparison purposes, I show identical times for the FSX-2/LWA and FSX-8S/TFD

FSX-2/LWA Pair

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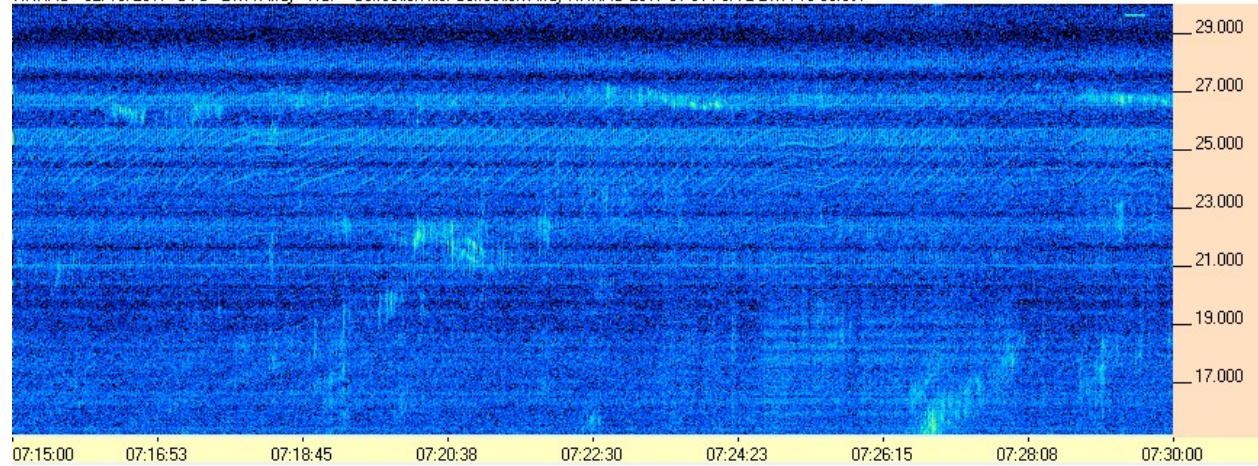
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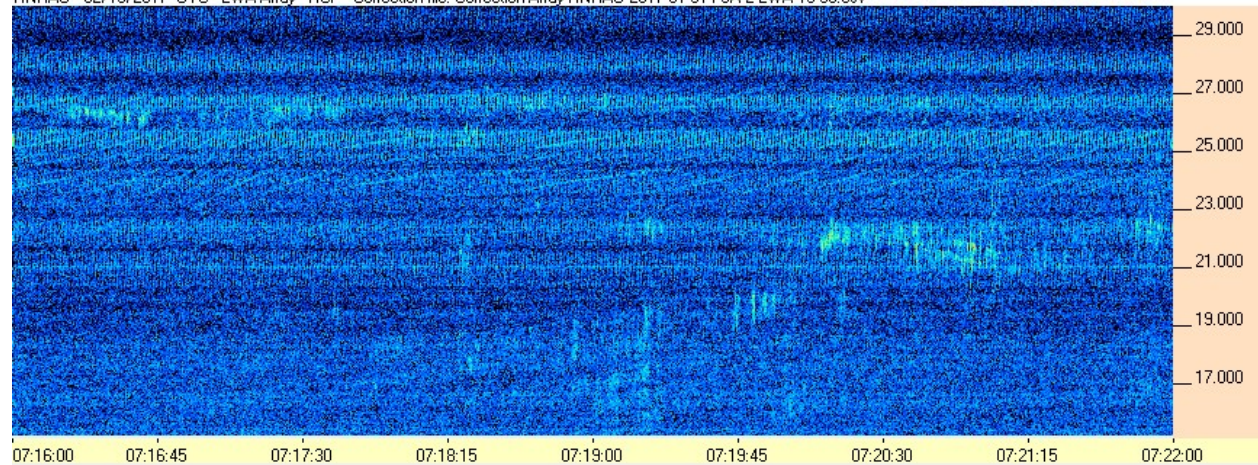
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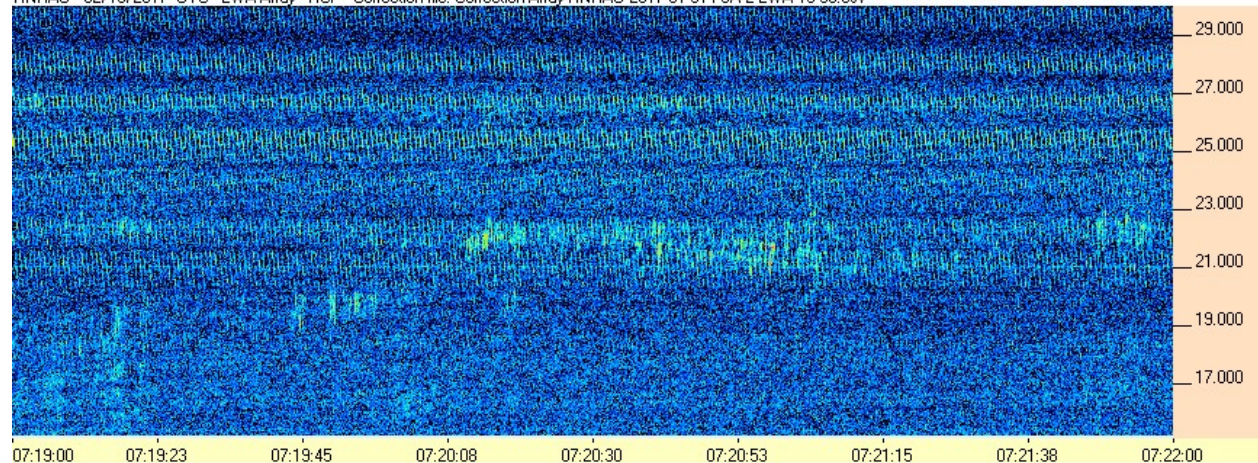
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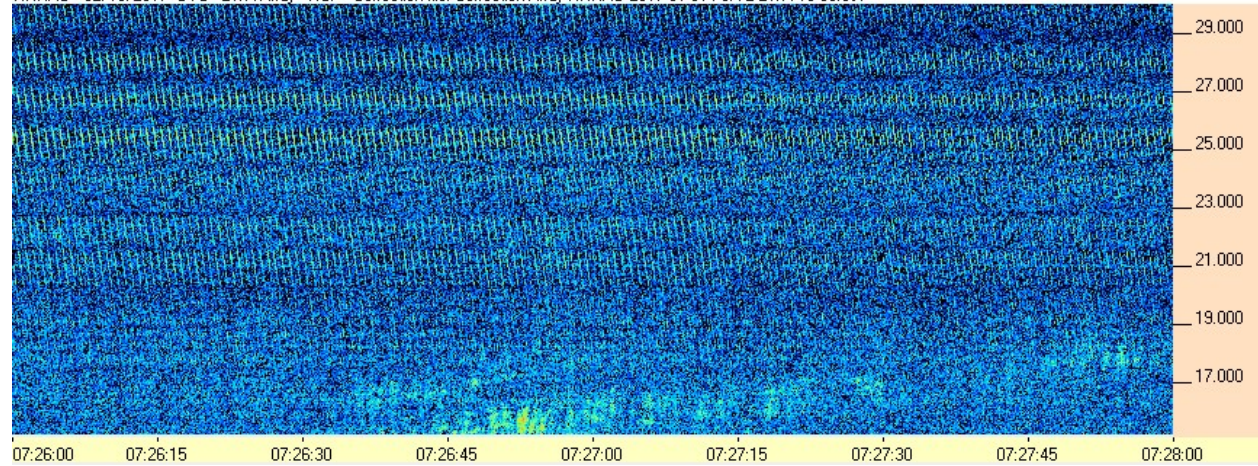
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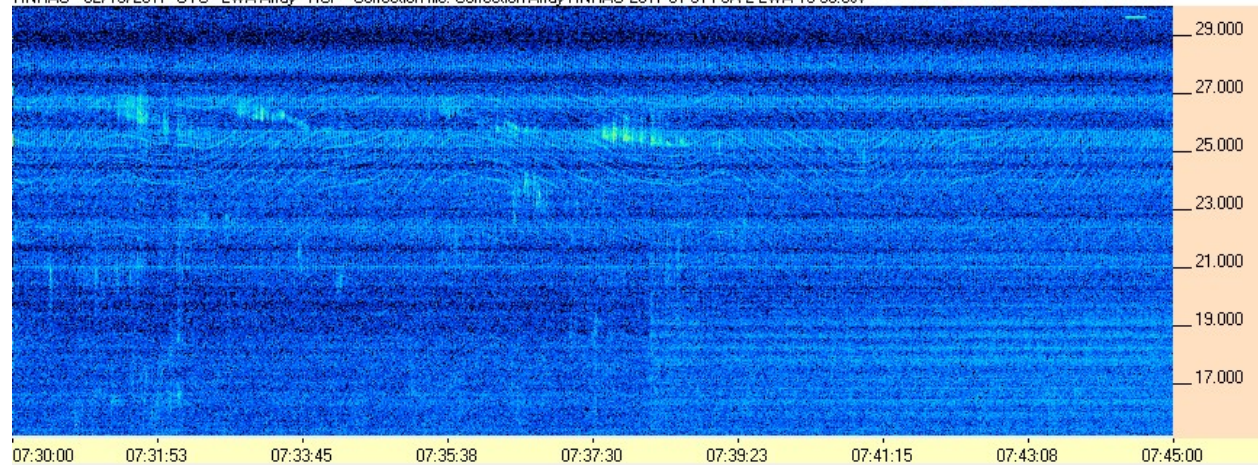
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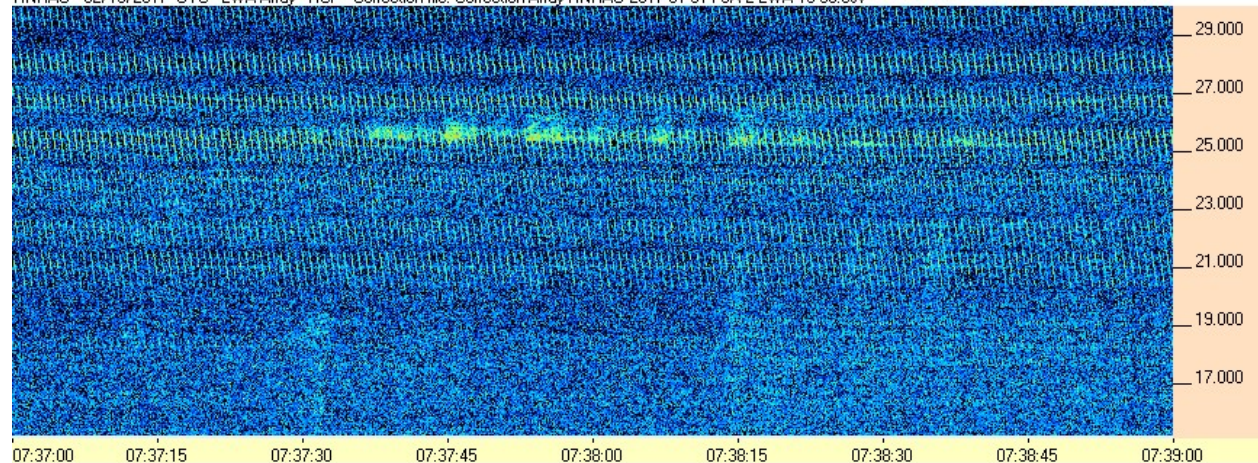
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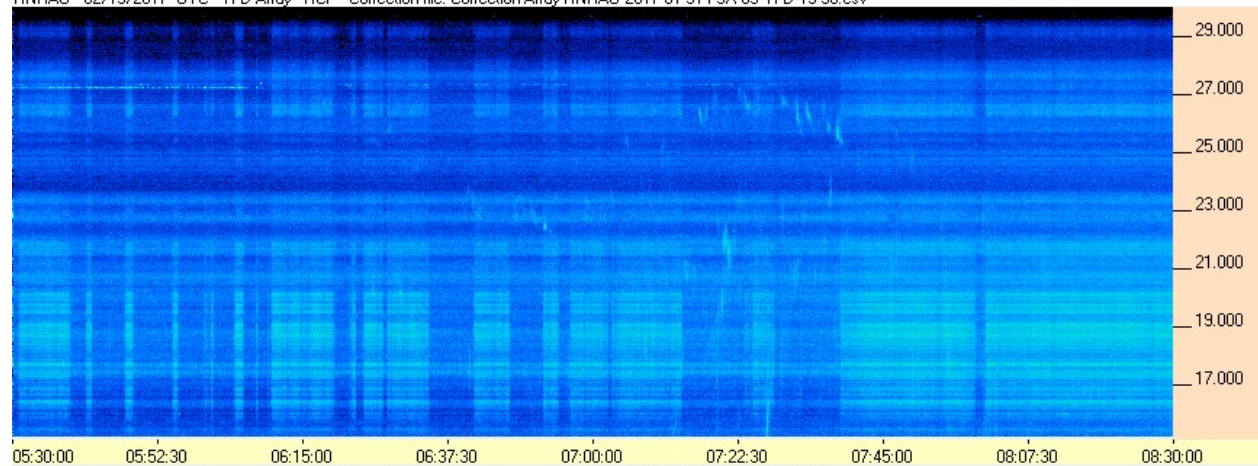


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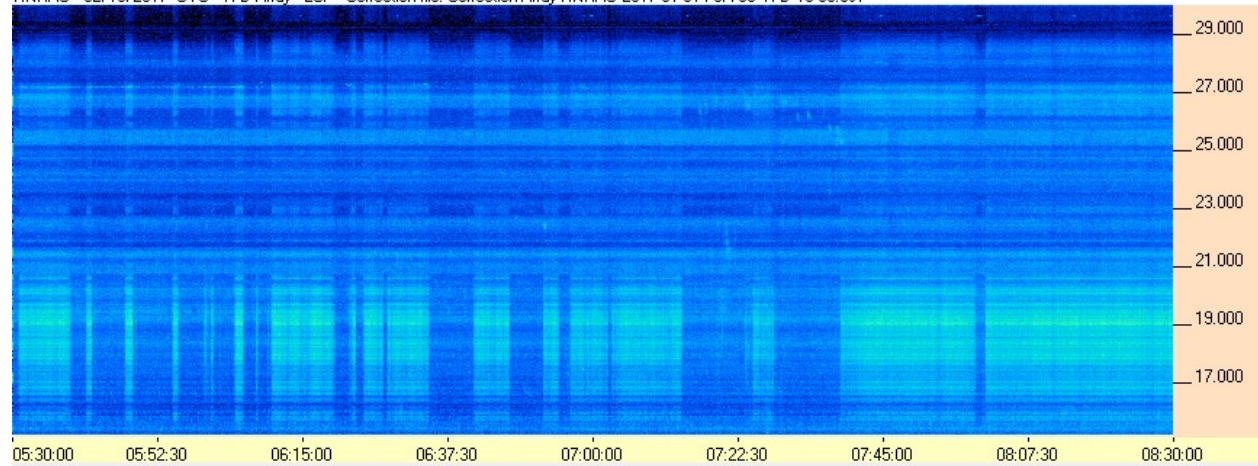


FSX-8S/TFD Pair

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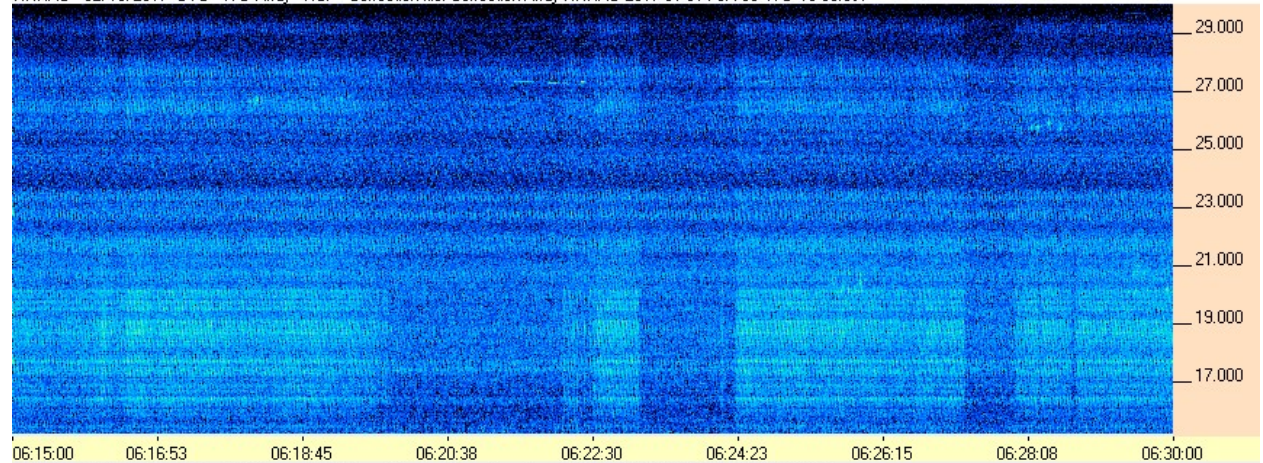
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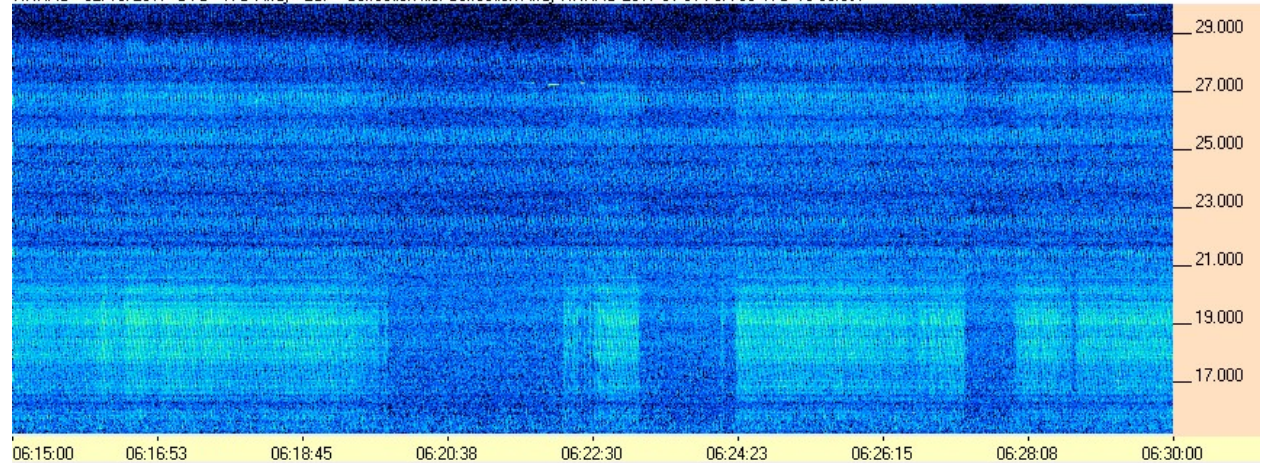
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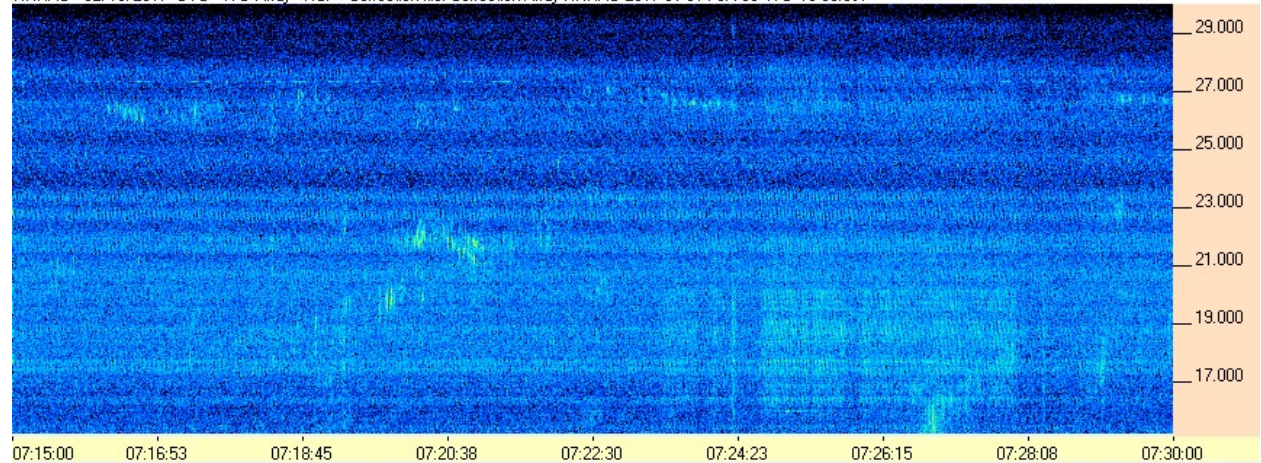


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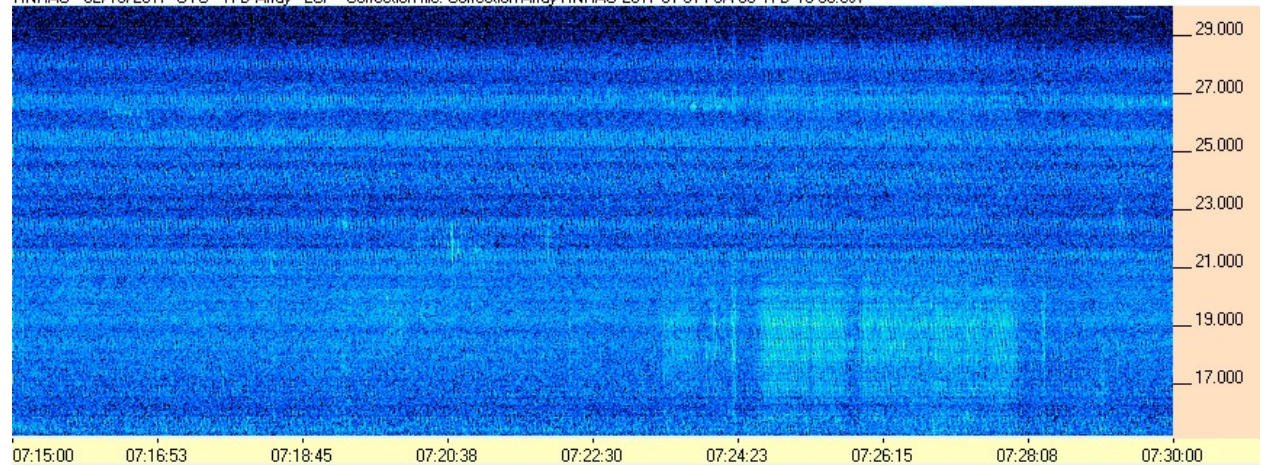
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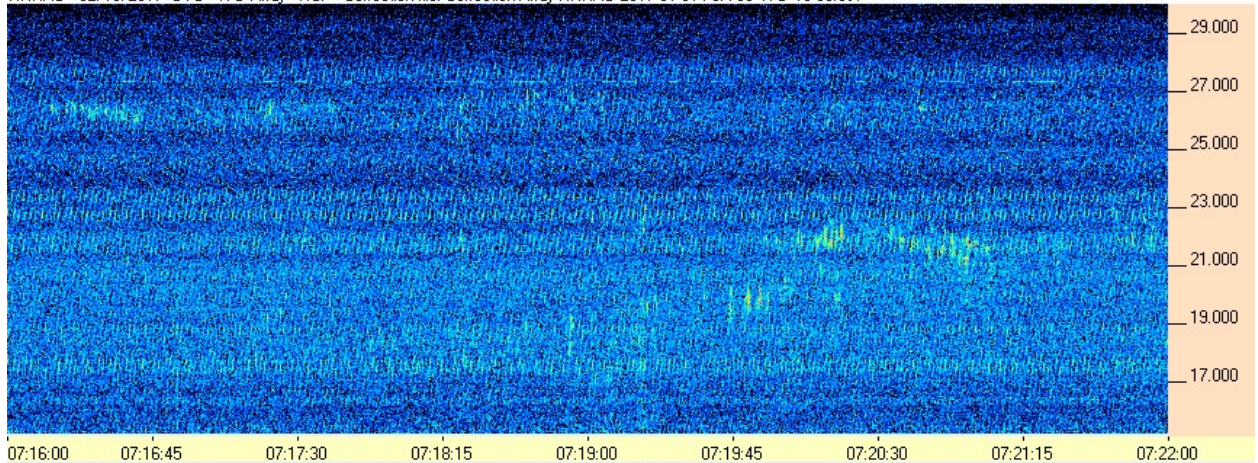
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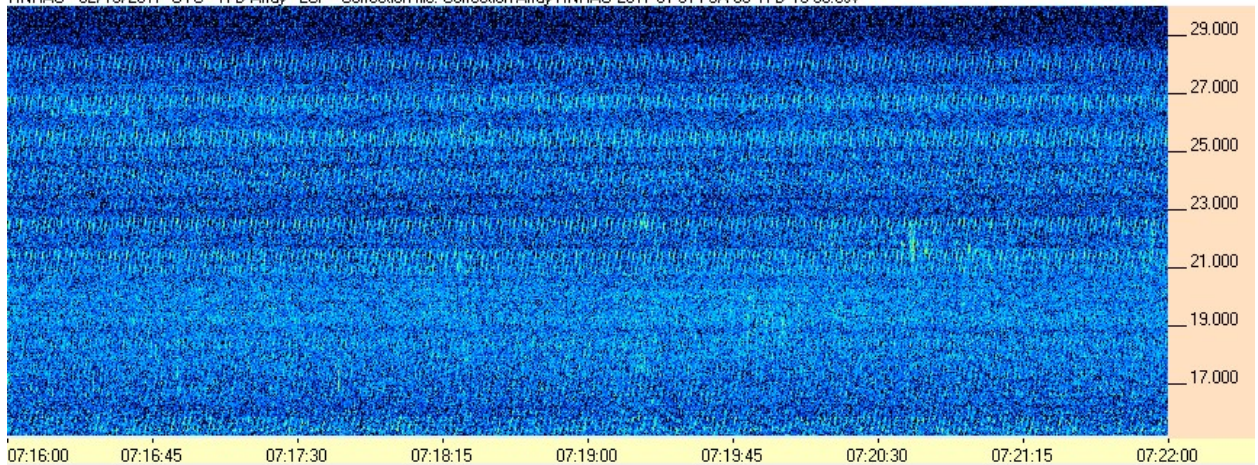
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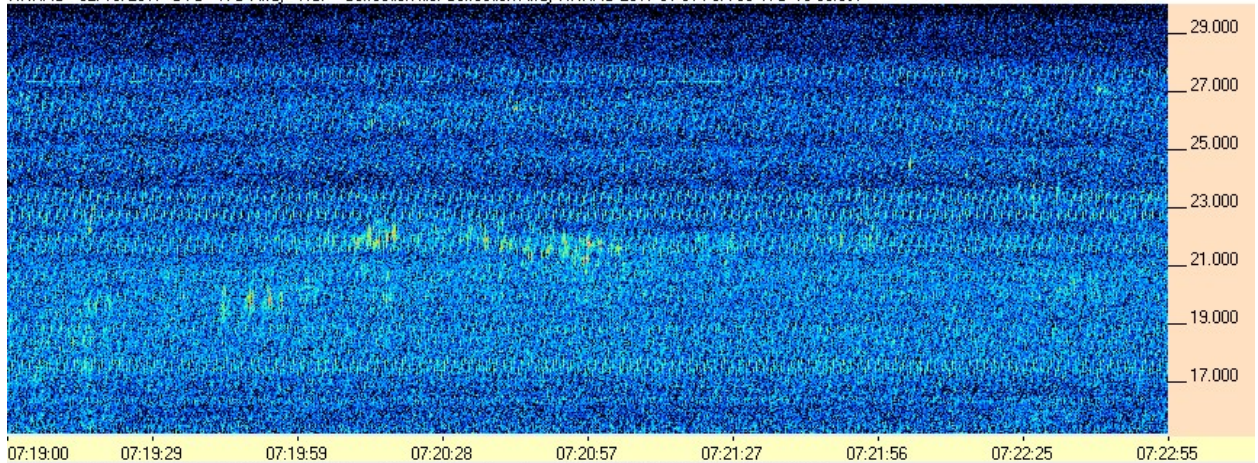
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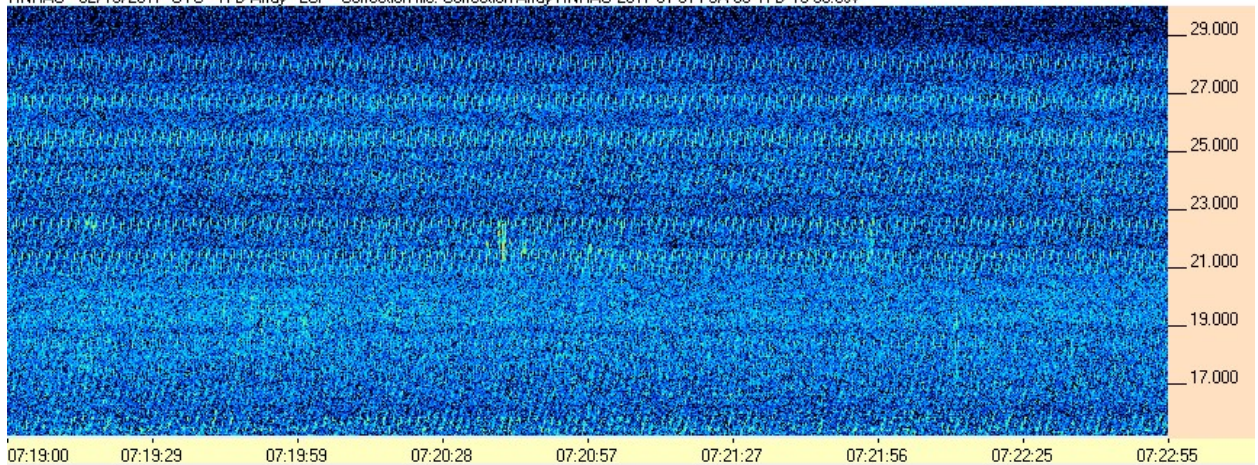
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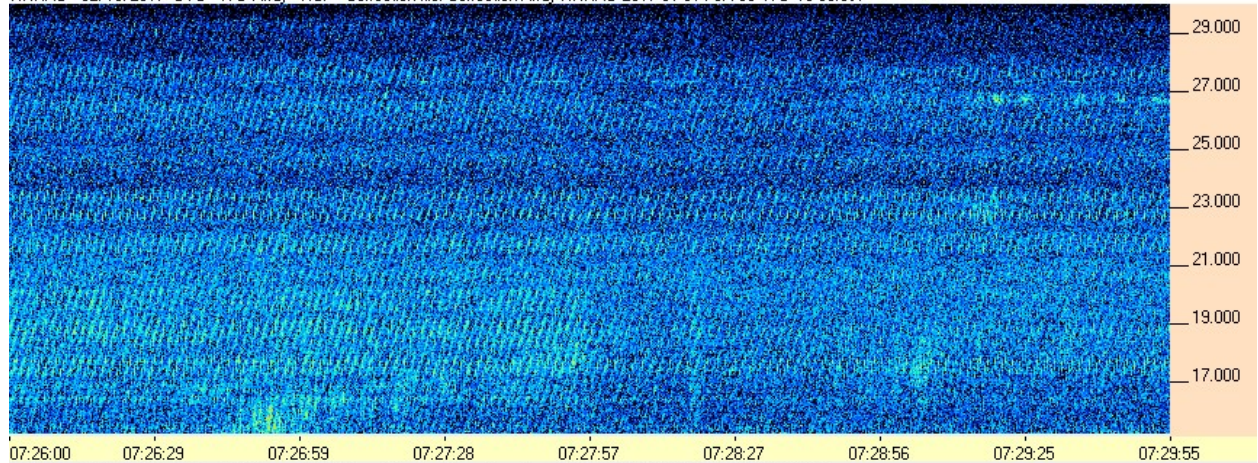
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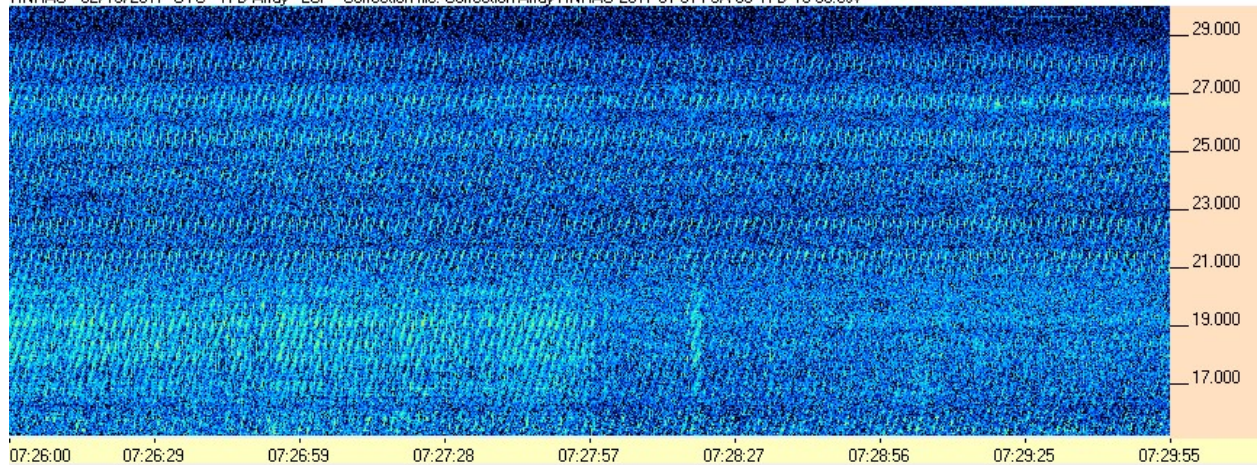
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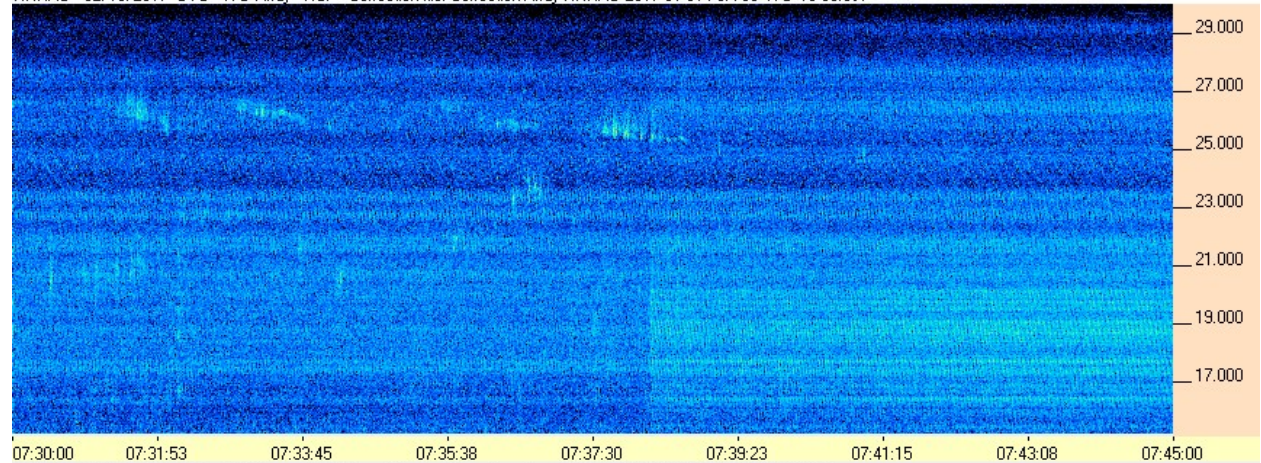


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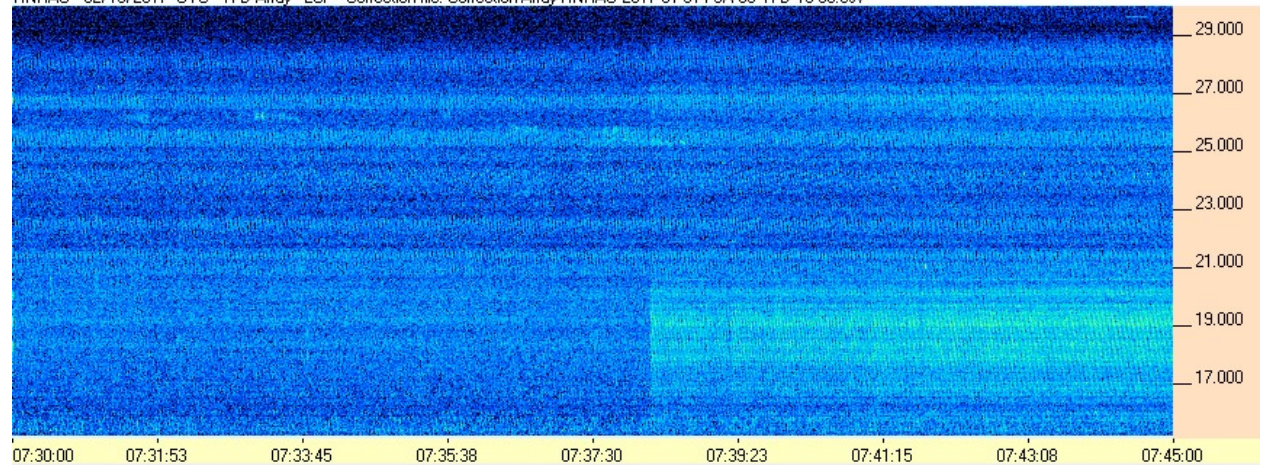
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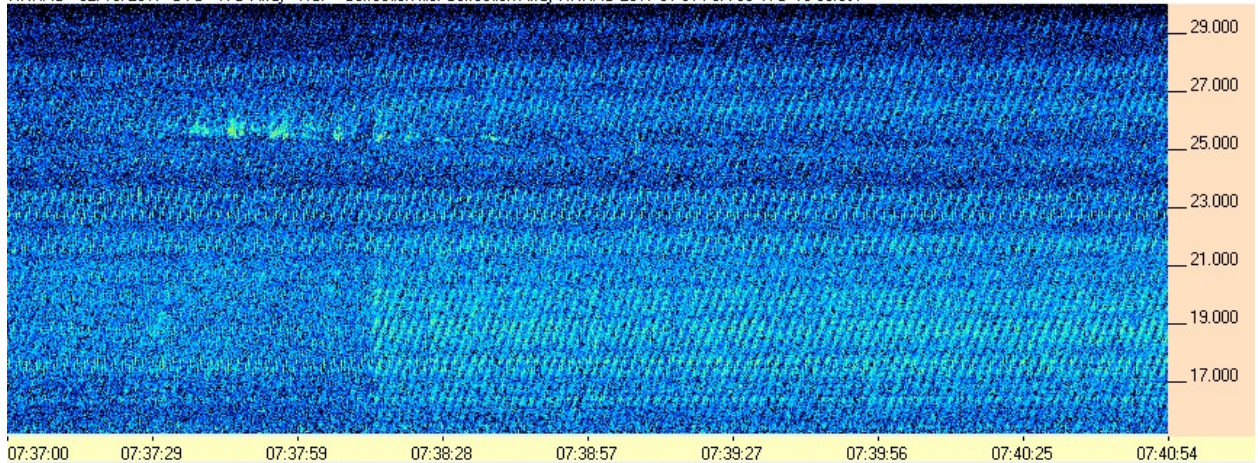
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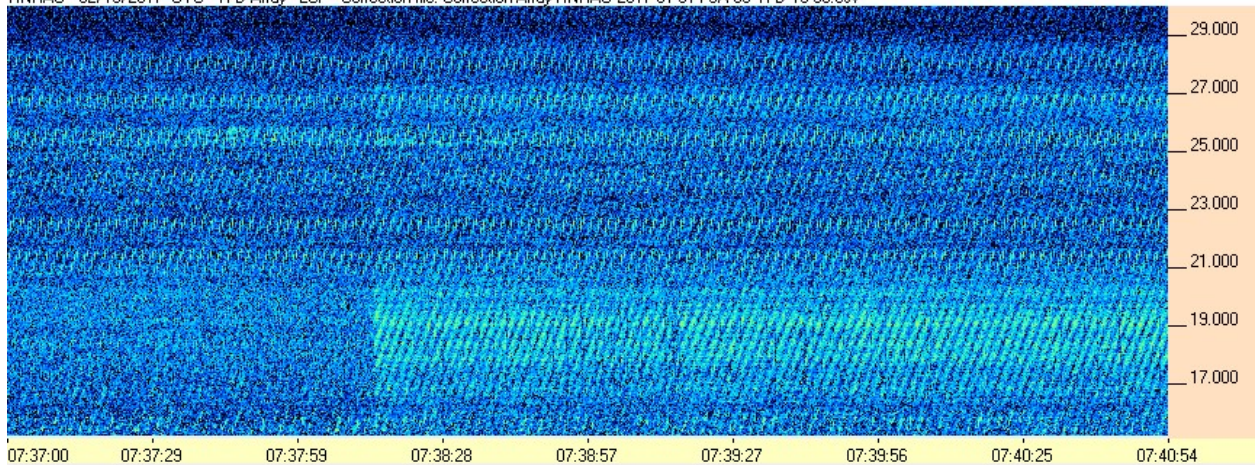
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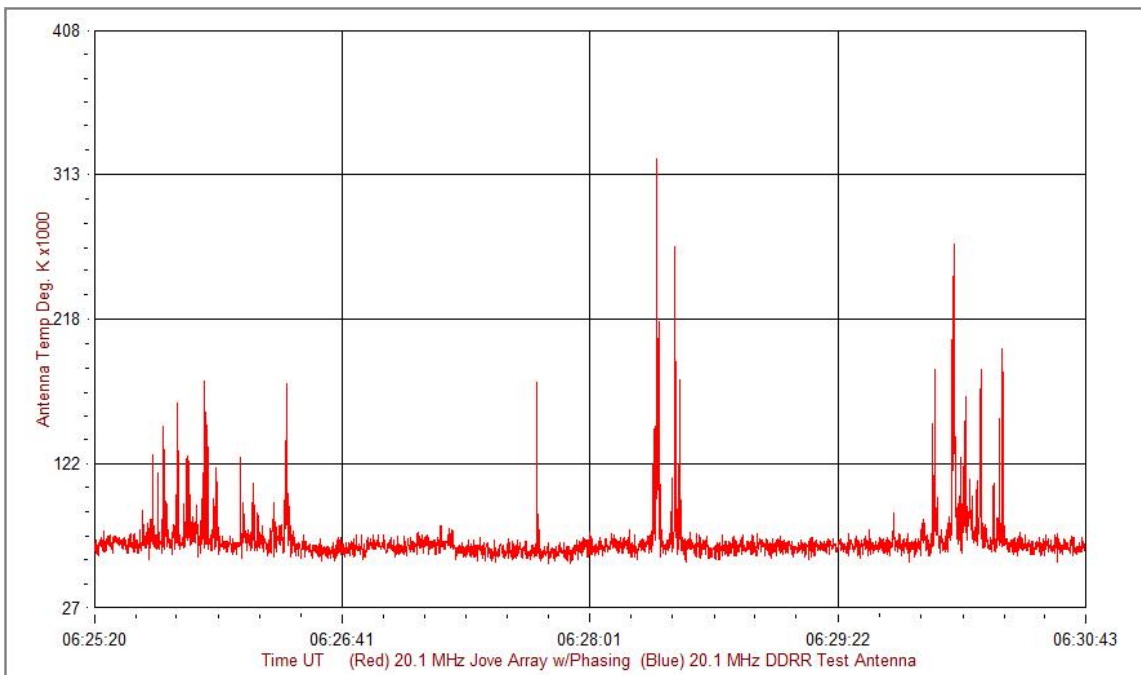
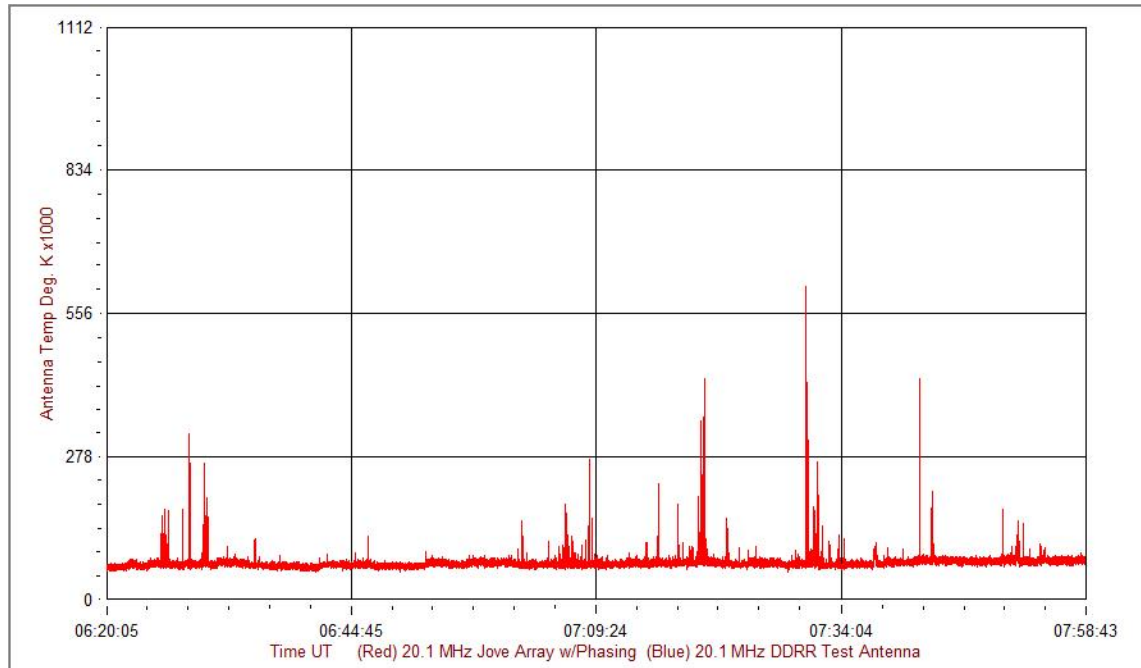
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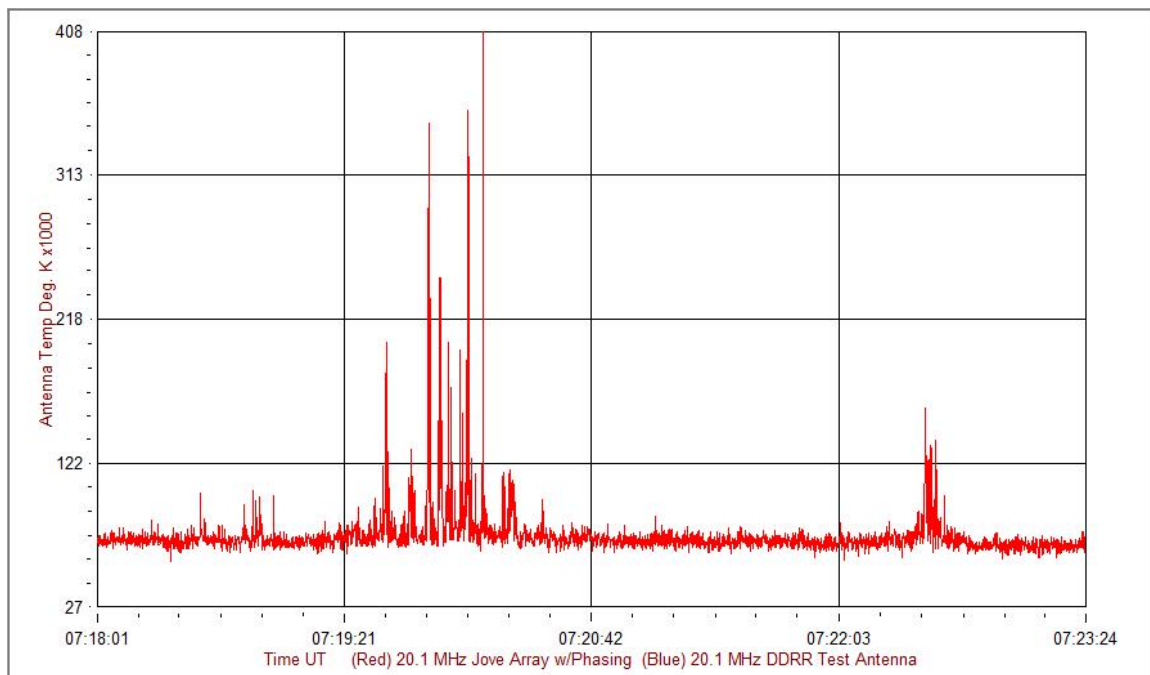
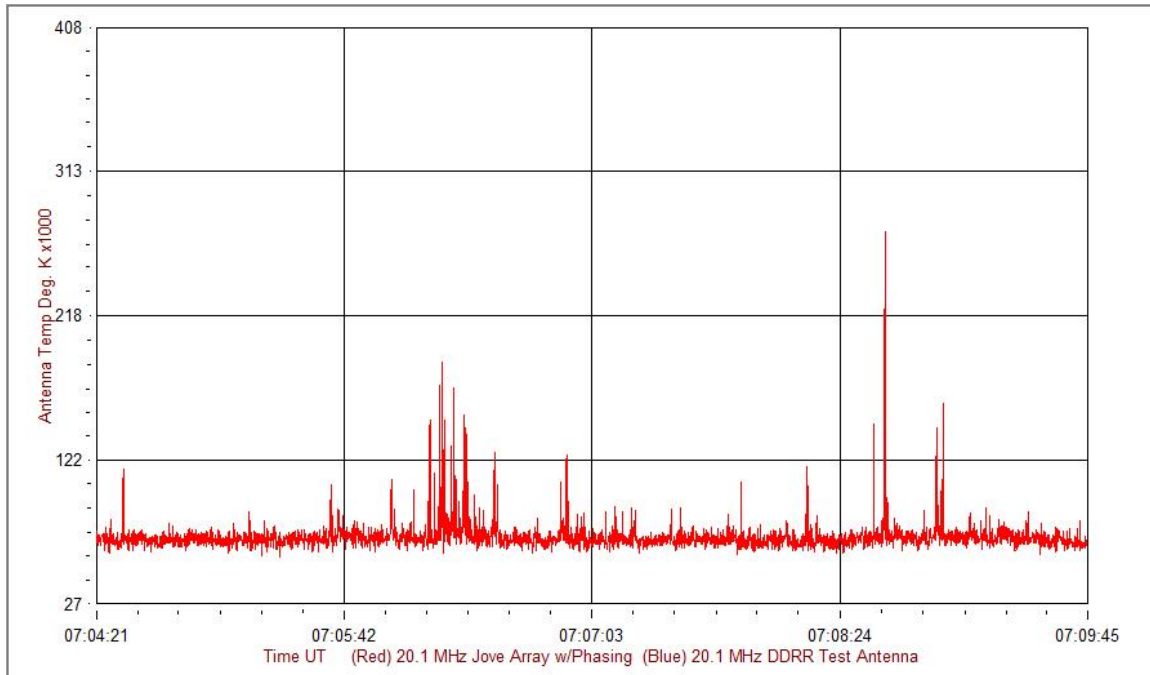
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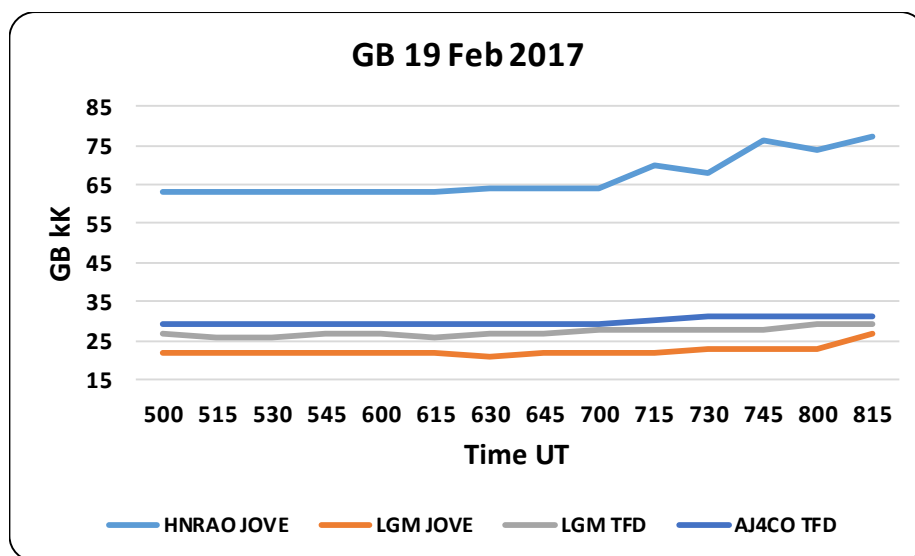
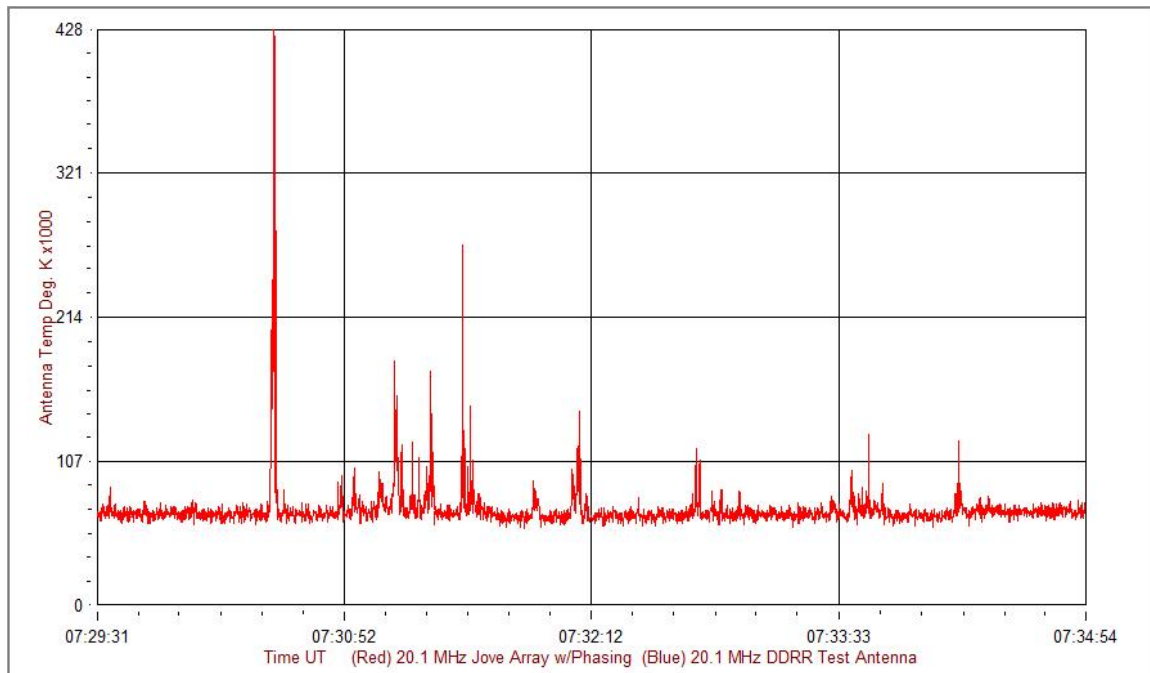
SkyPipe/JOVE Dipoles



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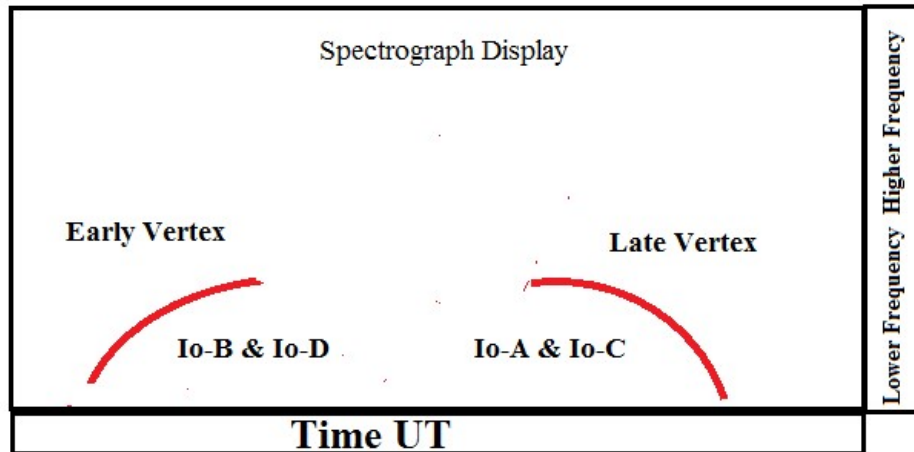


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Galactic Background During Observation Session
 HNRAO abnormally high due to power line RFI

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Io-A & Io-B - Northern hemisphere of Jupiter
Io-C & Io-D - Southern hemisphere of Jupiter

For reference:

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