

RADIO RECEIVER

«MALAHIT-DSP»,

«MALAHIT-DSP₂»



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1. GENERAL INFORMATION

“MALAHITEAM-DSP” radio receiver built as SDR-type and its functionality defined by uploaded software. This manual is common for all models of radios of the Malachite family, the differences depending on the specific model are specified in the text.

SPECIFICATIONS:

1) Frequency range:

for Malahit-DSP1: from 50kHz to 250MHz, from 400MHz to 2GHz;

for Малахит-DSP2- from 20кГц to 380МГц, from 400МГц до 2 ГГц;

2) Modulation modes: AM, SSB, DSB, CW, NFM, WFM

(RDS support with stereo);

3) Digital signal processing(DSP) functions: variable filter width, adaptive noise suppression(squelch), threshold Noise Gate(threshold squelch), Noise Blanker, AGC, equalizer;

4) CPU: 32-bit Arm® Cortex®-M7 480MHz;

5) Display type: 3.5” touch-screen LCD;

6) Preamplifier: built-in;

7) Main Controls: rotary encoders with built-in buttons and capacitive touch panel;

8) Power: 18650 Li-Ion cell(at least 1500mAh) and/or micro USB (USB charging supported);

9) Power consumption: 300mA with standard headphones;

10) Radio receiver has SMA connector for use with external antennas or telescopic antennas with SMA.

To improve SB mode reception for model Malahit-DSP1 an additional board is available, sold separately. Auxiliary board consist of:

- Source repeater with advanced controls
- Adjustable 0-30dB attenuator with 1dB step
- 4 filters: LPF 500kHz, Bandpass 500-1500kHz, Bandpass 1500-4500kHz, HFH 4500kHz

Installs directly into existing housing, no modifications required.

The Malachite-DSP2 model already includes all the components of this add-on board.

- 11) Computer control and display over micro USB with CAT, IQ and audio support

Spans:

for Malahit-DSP1: 160kHz, 80kHz, 40kHz

for Malahit-DSP2: 192kHz, 96kHz, 48kHz

- 12) Sensitivity: 0.3μV at 1.0GHz

- 13) Selectivity: 82dB

- 14) 3.5mm plug for audio jack, stereo

- 15) SMA antenna connector

- 16) Input impedance: 50Ω/Hi-Z (for Malahit-DSP1 only with auxiliary board)

- 17) Receiver body made out of extruded aluminum 120x88x39mm enclosure for Malachite-DSP1 and 140x88x39mm Malachite-DSP2

- 19) Battery type: 18650 Li-Ion rechargeable cell

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- Vadim Burlakov, R6DCY (final circuit design, layout and build)
- Igor Naumenko (active participant in review meetings, creator of vintage retro scale). Before using radio receiver, you should read this manual to be quite familiar with its operation.



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For Malahit-DSP1 activation requires after initial firmware flashing. A non-activated device upon power up would display unique code, this code need to be send by e-mail to:

malahit_sdr@rambler.ru .

Software and USB driver available to download from the web. Check the following link:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/u/1/folders/1WiQdee4R8XBenx-E7PT3dPy4iDjbuofR>

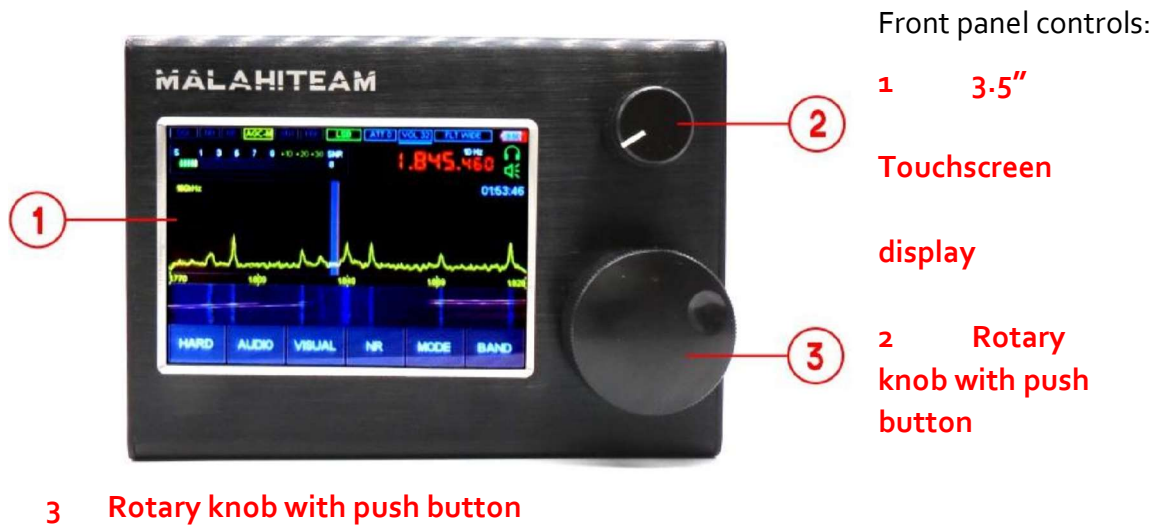
Warning! Due to the fire hazard presented by lithium batteries, radio receivers shipped without battery. Once received, user need to remove screws and open back cover to install 18650 Li-Ion rechargeable cell, purchased separately.

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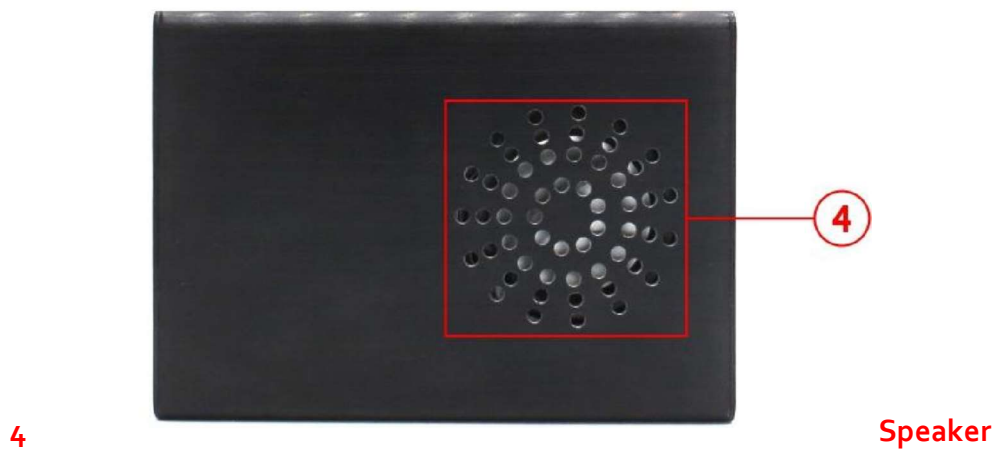
- for Russian-speaking users - <https://t.me/MalahitReceiver>
- for English-speaking users - https://t.me/MALAHITEAM_EN

2 DESIGN AND FEATURES

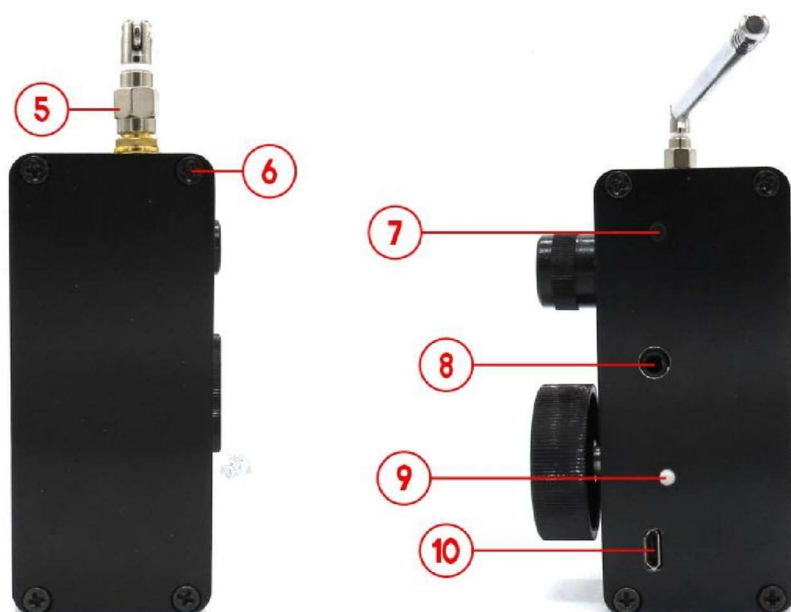
Malachite-DSP1 is considered below as an example. For Malachite-DSP2, everything is the same.



Rear side:



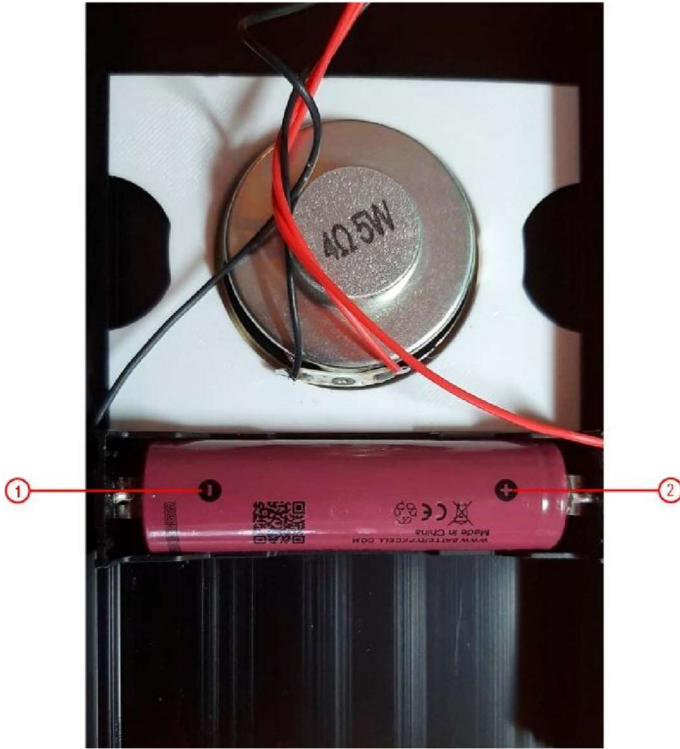
Receiver sides:



- 5 SMA Antenna connector
- 6 Body panels screws
- 7 Power button
- 8 3.5mm audio plug
- 9 Battery state LED
- 10 micro USB

3 GETTING STARTED.

Before using radio receiver, read this manual to avoid complications and get the most from the product. Radio receiver shipped without battery (18650 Li-Ion rechargeable cell) in order to install battery, user must remove screws holding rear panel and insert rechargeable cell into battery holder (check polarity!).



Warning! Observe polarity when inserting battery into battery holder, red wire goes to 'POS' black wire to 'NEG'. Failure to observe polarity would damage radio receiver and void warranty. Check image below for proper installation, check battery polarity with multimeter if polarity is not clear from cell's labels:

1 Negative side "-"

2 Positive side "+"

Once battery installed, re-assemble radio receiver and secure with screws.

4 POWER UP/POWER DOWN.

By default, the receiver is turned on by briefly pressing the power button.

The receiver has a function of protection against false switching on - this function allows you to turn on the receiver only if the power button is pressed at least three times within an interval of 5 seconds. To enable this function, you must:

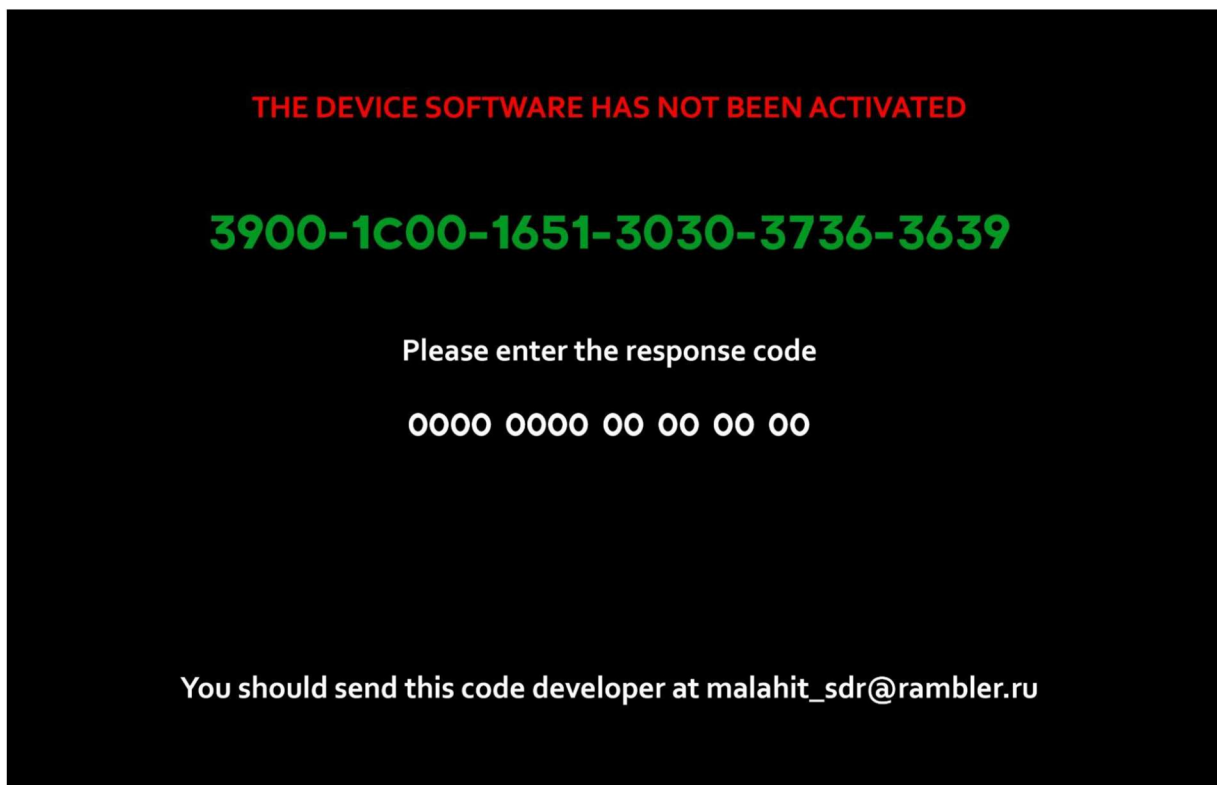
- for Malachite-DSP1: it is necessary to remove the rear cover of the radio receiver and connect pin 7 of the connector (in accordance with the diagram in section 9), intended for connecting an additional board, with a negative power supply or a common wire.
- for Malachite-DSP2: remove the rear cover of the radio receiver and set switch 2 to ON on the DIP SWITCH on the printed circuit board.

Switching off is carried out by long pressing the power control button until the display goes out and a sound signal appears (message "73" transmitted by Morse code). After the sound signal appears and the button is released, the receiver will turn off.

5 FIRMWARE ACTIVATION.

This action is need only for Malahit-DSP1.

Radio receiver successfully flashed with firmware (except testing image) would display activation screen as shown below:



For device activation user must supply unique activation key. To obtain activation key email unique code from seen on device screen to: malahit_sdr@rambler.ru. Once activation code received, enter

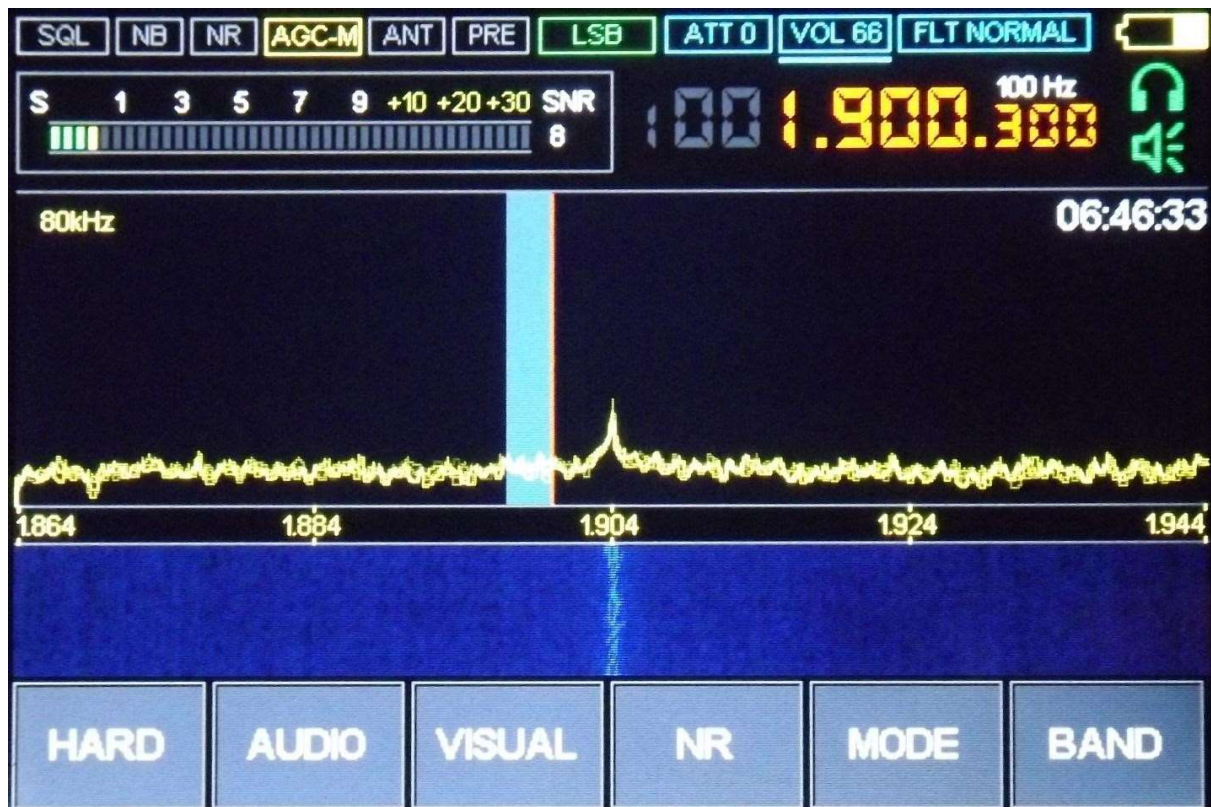
it with volume rotary knob (top knob), use rotary function for char selection and button function for advancing next, use frequency knob(bottom knob) to enter activation code. Activation does not require for future upgrades.

6 USER INTERFACE.

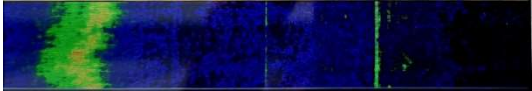
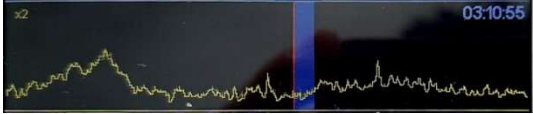



Screenshots below are for reference, type model of receivers and future software updates might add/remove/expand some functionality but in general, interface should look and feel the same. The information display logic is built taking into account the fact that the "Enabled" state corresponds to green or yellow, the "Off" state - red or gray.

6.1 MAIN DISPLAY AND MENUS

Main display should look like attached below:



INDICATORS					
FLT NORMAL	VOL 66	ATT 0	LSB	PRE	ANT
DESCRIPTION					
Filter type selected	Volume level	Attenuator value	Modulation type	HF preamplifier status: 'Green' – active 'Gray' - Off	Antenna status: 'auxiliary board' 'Green' – Hi-Z 'Gray' - 50Ω
AGC-M	NR	NB	SQL	100 Hz	SNR 8
AGC status: "Yellow" – Active "Gray" – Off	Adaptive squelch status: "Green" – active "Gray" – Off	Noise Blanker status: "Red" – Active "Gray" – Off	Threshold squelch status: "Red" – Active "Gray" – Off	Current frequency step size	SNR value
80 kHz	HARD	AUDIO	VISUAL	NR	MODE
Spectrum span	HARD menu button, touchscreen	AUDIO menu button, touchscreen	VISUAL menu button, touchscreen	Adaptive squelch On/Off button, touchscreen	Mode menu button, touchscreen
BAND	06:46:33				
Button to recall memory settings for selected frequency band	Current time	Battery charge indicator	Audio output selected: -Headphones -Speaker -Both	Signal level, screen touch -> enters/exits 'HARD' menu	Current frequency, screen touch -> enters frequency editing mode

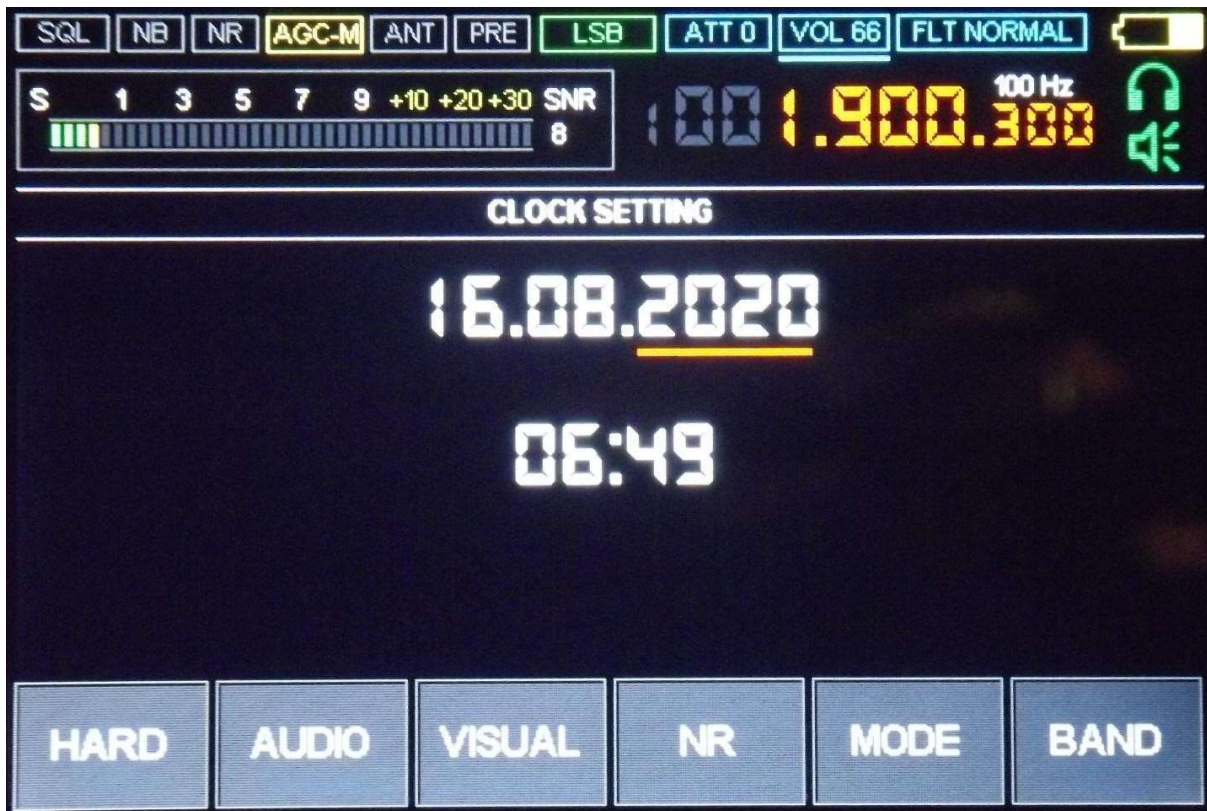
	
Waterfall indicator	Spectrum plot
	
Frequency scale	Decoder workload
	<p>Saving to memory indicator. Indicator shows up when current user settings are different from the one in memory.</p> <p>"yellow" – saving current settings to memory</p> <p>"Green" – settings save complete, hiding indicator automatically.</p>

6.2 HARD Menu

Click "HARD" button on the touchscreen to enter "HARD" menu. Hard-menu sub item activated by touchscreen, value change by "Volume" rotary knob. "HARD" menu can exited at any time by done by clicking "HARD" button or ether "Volume" or "Frequency" knobs.



6.3 CLOCK Menu. CLOCK SETUP



"CLOCK" menu requires for time keeping. To access this menu press and hold "HARD" menu button until "CLOCK" menu activates. To set date and time use "Volume" rotary knob for values and push button for advancing to next. To apply current date and time press and hold "Volume" encoder button until audio signal, exit from menu – by pressing "HARD" menu.

6.4 VISUAL Menu



Click "VISUAL" button on the touchscreen to enter "VISUAL" menu. The settings in this menu are used to change the settings for information display and display operation. Exit from menu by clicking "VISUAL" button or "Volume" knob.

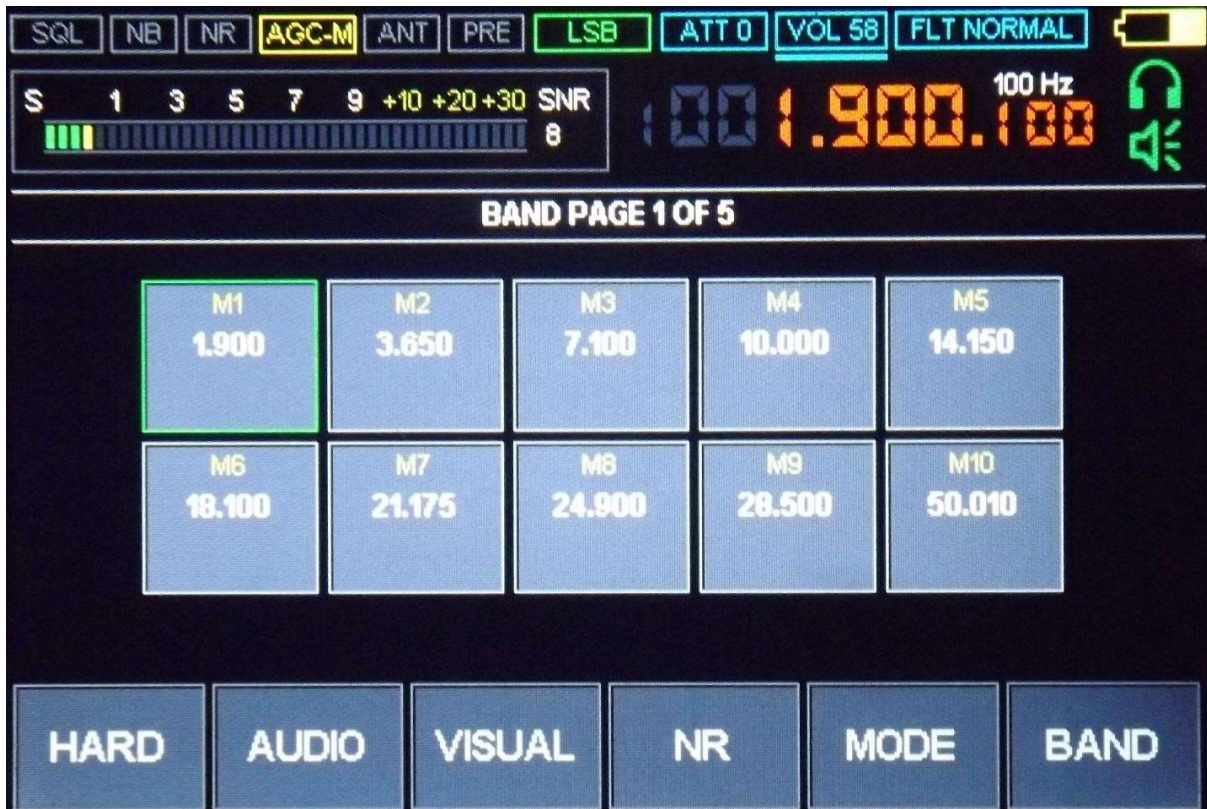
6.5 AUDIO Menu



Menu to select digital signal processing applied to audio output.

Exit from menu by clicking "MENU" button or "Volume" knob.

6.6 BAND Menu



This menu recalls memory settings for given BAND or saves current frequency to specific memory location.

Menu navigation done with "Frequency" rotary knob.

Exit from menu by clicking "BAND" button or "Volume" knob.

6.7 MODE Menu



This menu selects modulation type and decoder activation.

Exit from menu by clicking "MODE" button or "Volume" knob.

7 MAIN FUNCTIONS AND COMMON USE

7.1 RESET TO DEFAULT

This function reset current user settings to factory defaults. To activate this function – close all menus, and on device displaying main screen, press and hold both “Volume” and “Frequency” knob’s until audio signal. **All user settings, current and in memory locations will be lost.**

7.2 CONTROL KNOB’S REVERSING

This function allows changing encoder increments direction from CW to CCW. To activate control knobs reverse mode, enter “HARD” menu and activate “EN1 reverse” for “Frequency” and “EN2 reverse” for “Volume”. Clicking on given button enable/disable knob’s reverse mode.

7.3 BATTERY MONITOR MODES

This function turns radio receiver off if battery voltage drops below 3.3V. Function implemented to extend battery life and to avoid complete battery discharge.

To enable this function, enter “HARD” menu and select “Vbat control”:

- Standard – function activated, cut off set to 3.3V
- Low – function disabled, device would run battery down as low as 2.7V

For Malachite-DSP2, the cut-off voltage is controlled by hardware and is automatically cut off when the voltage reaches 3.1V.

7.4 ANTENNA TYPE SELECTION

This function works only at frequencies up to 50MHz. In Malachite-DSP1, the function works only if there is an additional board in the receiver. To select the type of antenna input, go to the HARD menu, click on the “SW antenna” parameter. - Hi-Z – high impedance input, for short telescopic antennas

- 50 Ω - 50 Ω impedance input, recommended for use with long antennas with ~50 Ω wave impedance

7.5 BUILT-IN HF PREAMP CONTROL

This function enables/disables built-in preamplifier. To enable, activate "HARD" menu and select "PREAMP":

- Enabled
- Disabled

7.6 ATTENUATOR CONTROL

This function only applies to units with auxiliary board installed. To change attenuator settings enter "HARD" menu select "ATT" option, using "VOLUME" rotary knob select attenuator dB value from 0 to 30dB (maximum attenuation) in 1 dB increments.

7.7 GAIN CONTROL

Receiver's front end IC allows gain control for signal mixers and UHF.

For gain, control enter "HARD" menu and adjust the following:

- "RF GAIN" – gain factor for wideband mixer;
- "LNA/MIX UP GR" – attenuation control (On/Off), applies to built-in preamplifier in HF-mode and 1st mixer in SB-mode;
- "MIX GR" – attenuation control (On/Off), applies to built-in preamplifier in HF-mode and 2nd mixer in SB-Mode;

Use "VOLUME" rotary knob for menu navigation and push button for activation.

LNA/MIX UP GR and MIX GR options:

- Enabled – attenuator enabled;
- Disabled – attenuator disabled;

Recommendations:

- 1) LNA/MIX UP GR и MIX GR options are signal attenuators and are for use with long antennas, or for overloaded reception – overlapping stations.
- 2) No recommended to set RF GAIN over 40dB working with short telescopic antennas and over 20 dB with long antennas.

This function only applies to receivers with auxiliary board installed. To change attenuator settings enter "HARD" menu select "ATT" option, using "VOLUME" rotary knob select desired value.

7.8 FREQUENCY DISPLAY ERROR CORRECTION

This function provide display error correction.

To set display correction enter "HARD" menu select "F correct" option, using "VOLUME" rotary knob set proper value.

7.9 AUDIO OUTPUT SELECT

This function sets audio output device type: headphones, built-in speaker or both.



Output selection done by clicking on audio icon located on main screen. Another way to select is to go to the HARD menu and by pressing the Audio out button select the desired type of audio output.

7.10 NOISE BLANKER (NB)

This function performs wide-band attenuation. Function settings are under "AUDIO" menu and grouped under "NB" option:

- Threshold – to remove/reduce interference adjust manually with "VOLUME" control, values below 3 not recommended;
- Config – NB configuration, controls manually with "VOLUME" to remove/reduce interference;
- NB – enable/disable NB, sets experimentally based on audio feedback.
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7.11 AGC

This function maintains optimal audio output level. Settings located under "AUDIO" menu and grouped in "AGC" block:

- AGC LIM – maximum output level;

- AGC GAIN – AGC gain;
- MANUAL GAIN – manual control, available when AGC is off;
- AGC MODE – AGC response mode;

AGC MODE options:

- FAST – short time integral(response time);
- MIDDLE – medium time integral;
- SLOW – long time integral;
- LONG – extra-long time integral;
- OFF – AGC – off;

To change AGC settings enter “AUDIO” menu select required parameter and set with “VOLUME” control.

When AGC disabled, AGC GAIN parameter replaced with MANUAL GAIN. AGC functionality not supported for WFM.

7.12 EQUALIZER

This option enables/disables equalizer display. Use “VOLUME” control in “AUDIO” menu under “EQ TYPE” option:

- EQ-OFF - disabled
- SOFT/LIVE/CLUB/ROCK/BASS/JAZZ/POP/VOICE - EQ popular presets.
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7.13 WFM STEREO MODE

This receiver supports stereo reception in FM-mode. To enable stereo enter “AUDIO” menu and toggle “WFM stereo” button. “WFM stereo” has 2 options – Enable/Disable.

Stereo supported with strong signal and on headphones or headphones with speaker only, “WFM-ST” indicates stereo reception.

7.14 ADAPTIVE SQUELCH

For improved reception and selectivity, receiver equipped with adaptive squelch function. This function employs various band-pass filtering algorithms:

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- Span >1 kHz "speech" –optimized filter
- Span ≤ 1 kHz "tone" – optimized filter

Algorithms selection done automatically based on span value.

Noise cancelling level for voice can be set manually. To enable/disable noise cancelling toggle "NR" button. To set voice cancelling level enter "AUDIO" select "Threshold" under "NR" group use "VOLUME" control to set desired value. "Threshold" settings do not apply to spans ≤ 1 kHz.

7.15 THRESHOLD SQUELCH

This function blocks audio content below preset signal level (threshold).

To enable "Threshold squelch" enter "AUDIO" menu select "SQL" option with "VOLUME" control.

"SQL" options:

- Enabled;
- Disabled;

To setup threshold level navigate to "AUDIO" menu select "Threshold" option and set with "VOLUME" control.

To setup threshold for speech-type signal set "Threshold" option under "NR" menu.

7.16 BACKLIGHT CONTROL

This function sets LCD display backlight intensity:

- Backlight level – min/max;
- Timeout, switching from current to minimum backlight level;
- Timeout, turning backlight off;

To edit backlight settings enter "VISUAL" menu, using "VOLUME" control select "BRIGHTMIN" to set maximum brightness, select "BRIGHT MIN" for minimum (battery saving mode).

To edit timeout settings enter "VISUAL" menu, using "VOLUME" control select "REDUCT TIME" group, navigate to "SLEEP TIME" to set timeout for entering into battery saving mode and "LCD SLEEP" to set timeout for turning display off, "LCD SLEEP" option must be enabled.

7.17 SETTING SPECTRUM RATE

This function changes spectrum update rate on main display. To edit rate enter "VISUAL" menu select "FFT ave" using "VOLUME" control set desired value for update rate, higher value corresponds to slower rate.

7.18 SETTING SPECTRUM RANGE

This function changes spectrum's SNR amplitude scale. To edit scale enter "VISUAL" menu select "FFT scale" using "VOLUME" control set desired SNR scale value (dB), lower value for greater detail but more noise.

7.19 SETTING SPECTRUM COLOR

This function changes color table for spectrum display. To edit color table enter "VISUAL" menu select "FFT color" and using "VOLUME" control set colors to desired values.

7.20 SETTING SPECTRUM AND WATERFALL RATIO


This function changes spectrum vs waterfall displays scale ratio. To change scale ratio enter "VISUAL" menu select "Pan percent" and using "VOLUME" control set desired scale value (%).

7.21 SETTING WATERFALL RATE

This function changes waterfall fill rate. To change fill rate enter "VISUAL" menu select "WTF delay" and using "VOLUME" control set desired fill rate, lower value for faster fill.

7.22 SETTING WATERFALL HIGHLIGHT

This function changes waterfall brightness to signal level ratio. To change highlight ratio enter "VISUAL" menu select "WTF Gain" and using "VOLUME" control set desired highlight ratio, lower value for less highlight.

A thick, solid red wavy bar that curves upwards from the left and then levels off towards the right, spanning the width of the page at the bottom.

7.23 SETTING SPECTRUM SCALE AND TYPE

This function changes spectrum's span. Spectrum types supported in WFM mode. Current spectrum scale displayed in left spectrum's corner. Higher scale value correspond to narrow span but higher detail. For SSB, CW, DSB, AM, NFM modulations supported options are: 1, 2, 4. For WFM supported options: 1 and MPX, where MPX – mixed signal spectrum. To change spectrum span or type click on desired spectrum area.

7.24 CLOCK SETUP

Check section 5 for details.

7.25 SAVING TO DEVICE FLASH, READING FROM FLASH

This function let user save current settings into device flash or recall settings from flash.

To select memory location enter "BAND" menu navigate to desired memory cell and select it by clicking. Using "FREQUENCY" control, you can advance back and force navigation. To save current settings (active) select desired cell press and hold button until audio signal or selected button highlights with red boarder.

7.26 CW DECODER

This function decodes and displays baudot signal on main screen

To enable baudot decoder enter "MODE" menu select "Decoder" and activate it. "CW" text over the decoder button would signal activation. For correct operation user must set "Min SNR" in corresponding group using "VOLUME" control set optimal value and save. "Min SNR" sets threshold for decoder's start trigger, setting too low or too high would fail decoding.

Optimal value for "Min SNR" based on the following:

- Decoder activity indicator should be off if there is no incoming baudot transmission;
- Decoder activity indicator "heart-beat" should be synced with incoming baudot transmission.

Decoded signal displays as text on main screen, clicking on "S-meter" display – clears text window.

7.27 SETTING TUNING STEP RESOLUTION

This function changes tuning step size resolution. To change tuning step press "FREQUENCY" knob and using rotary encoder step up or down to desired step size, step size displays in white right after frequency display. Selecting done by clicking "FREQUENCY" knob push button. Tuning step size paired with modulation type, i.e. each mode's step can be unique (stored in memory).

7.28 HF PREAMPLIFIER GAIN COMPENSATION IN S-METER MODE

This function changes gain coefficient for HF preamplifier in S-meter mode. To set HF preamplifier gain coefficient enter "HARD" menu select "PRE Gain" and using "VOLUME" control set real gain for preamplifier, setting gain value to "zero" bypasses gain compensation (default value: 14dB).

7.29 TONE SIGNAL VOLUME CONTROL

This function changes audio tone volume. To change audio tone volume enter "HARD" menu select "BEEP LVL" and using "VOLUME" control set desired level.

7.30 CHANGING S-METER SCALE DISPLAY

This function changes S-meter display scale. To change scale enter "HARD" menu select "Ind type" and using "VOLUME" control set desired value, SNR value corresponds to signal to noise ratio scaled in dBm.

7.31 S-METER CORRECTIONS

This function changes correction factor for S-meter. To change S-meter correction factor enter "HARD" menu and select "Sm correct" and using "VOLUME" control set to desired value. For proper setup, provide signal with known precision level to receiver input and with "VOLUME" control set correction value to match signal level, S-meter scale must be in dBm.

7.32 IDLE TIMER

This function sets timeout for user inactivity, once expired device turns itself off. To enable this function enter "HARD" menu select "Activity timer" and using "VOLUME" control set timeout parameter in minutes, "zero" disables function

7.33 SPECTRUM FILL

This function changes spectrum fill type, two options available:

- Line-only, no-fill;
- Line and fill;

To select fill type enter "VISUAL" menu select "FFT fill" and toggle between "Disabled" and "Enabled", no-fill/ fill respectively.

7.34 DC OFFSET COMPENSATION

This function enables DC-offset compensation for receiver front-end DAC. To enable DC-offset compensation enter "VISUAL" menu select "DC reject" and using "VOLUME" control select DC value to subtract. This function requires for proper full-scale utilization of DAC. Real-time DC-offset displayed at oHz on spectrum graph, DC-value from FFT calculation. DC-offset compensation does not affect receiver reception.

DC-offset value sets from optimal spectrum looks, value should be in range from zero up to actual DC value on spectrum (with offset at "zero"), setting higher values excessively trims lower frequencies on displayed spectrum.

7.35 DISABLING SPECTRUM AND WATERFALL

This function disables spectrum and waterfall display to reduce interference. When spectrum and waterfall display disabled LCD displays updates only when there is a change of GUI, thus reducing interference from high frequency switching associated with image rendering.

To disable spectrum and waterfall display enter "VISUAL" menu select "View Pan&Wtf" and toggle Enable/Disable. Enabled – spectrum and waterfall enabled; Disabled- spectrum and waterfall disabled; this function also changes S-meter display, updates on settings change only.

7.36 BANDPASS FILTER SETTINGS

This function sets bandpass filter and filter parameters. There are three predefined span bandpass filters:

- Narrow;
- Normal;
- Wide;

This function sets by clicking "VOLUME" control's push button and selecting "FLT" option and using rotary encoder ("VOLUME") to select desired filter. Function also sets from "AUDIO" menu, over "Filter" option using "VOLUME" control.

Span value and frequency cutoff values edited over "AUDIO" menu under "Low freq" and "High freq" respectfully for each filter with "VOLUME" control.

In CW-mode same three filters parameters are as different:

- Pitch – center frequency ($\text{mean}(f_1, f_2)$);
- Width -pass band;

To set CW-mode filter parameters enter "AUDIO" menu select "Pitch" or "Width" option and using "VOLUME" control set desired value.

7.37 SELECTING MODE AND DETECTION TYPES

Receiver supports the following modulation types:

- SSB(USB/LSB);
- CW telegraph manipulation in USB and LSB;
- DSB;
- NFM;
- WFM;

To select SSB type, enter "MODE" menu select "USB" or "LSB" and set desired type.

To select CW type, enter "MODE" menu select "CW" option and using "USB" or "LSB" set desired type.

To select DSB type, enter "MODE" menu select "DSB" option and using "USB" or "LSB" set desired type.

To select AM type, enter "MODE" select "AM" option and using "MAG" (classic amplitude detector), "SAM" (synchronized amplitude detector), "SAMU" (synchronized amplitude detector with upper

side band) or "SAML" (synchronized amplitude detector with lower side band) select desired detector type. To select demodulator type, enter "MODE" menu select "AM det".

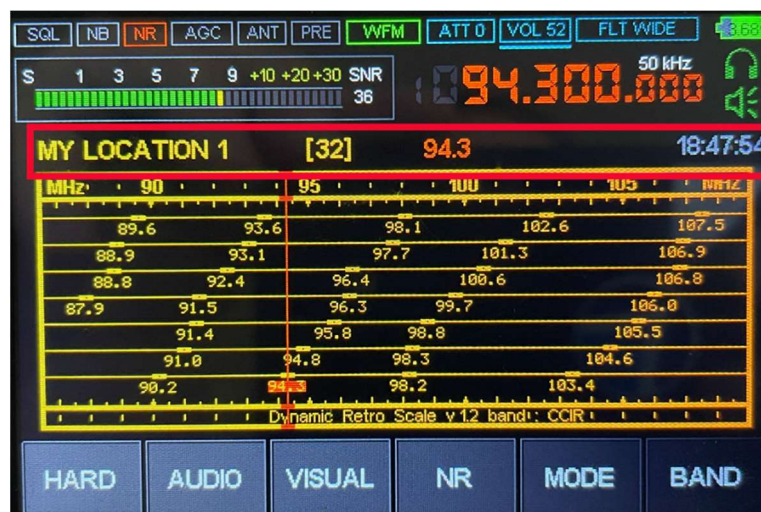
To select NFM type, enter "MODE" menu click on NFM type.

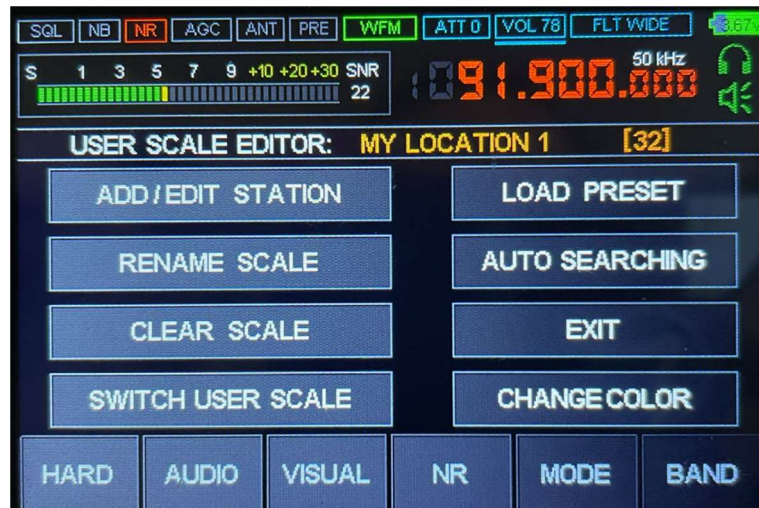
To select WFM type, enter "MODE" menu click on WFM type.

7.38 VINTAGE RETRO SCALE

Receiver comes with custom retro interface for WFM-mode, a reminder from old days of classic tubes/transistors radios from the past. Retro scales supported for FM mode only. Note: this mode only activates if current frequency is within localized FM-range, European (87.5-108 MHz)/Japanese (75.1-94.9MHz).

To activate vintage retro scale to main screen, click and hold in display center above menu buttons until retro scale shows up.





Retro scale interface features:

Retro style display:

Add radio stations with custom names, user editable:

Customize scale color:

Recall stations from memory;

Edit, save and load custom lists, two user customizable lists;

Station's auto search;

To enter retro scale editing mode, click in the middle of the screen and frequency display.

Retro scale menu has the following options:

ADD/EDIT STATION - add new station to the list, edit new name, remove from list; Once open, new menu items let user: adjust frequency, both ways; enter custom name using "VOLUME" to select chars, cannot go back to frequency tuning from here(only save and edit, or delete and start over); save new name and exit upon clicking "SAVE AND EXIT"; save station and continue search/editing upon clicking "SAVE AND CONTINUE"; delete station – "DELETE STATION"; exit current into retro menu – "CANCEL"; adding stations without manually typing, just tune up and add by clicking on "SAVE AND CONTINUE" or "SAVE AND EXIT"; if search complete, in both cases station's abbreviated as number and MHz, i.e. "87.5" for 87.5MHz, makes it's simple and easy to identify/search(alternative to mode described in 7.40);

RENAME SCALE - enter/edit current scale name, associated with loaded station list; Once open, new menu items let user: enter or edit scale name using "FREQUENCY" encoder for char selection; clear entered scale name – "CLEAR NAME";

CLEAR SCALE - delete retro scale data from memory; Clicking on this button opens up warning message with two buttons "CLEAR" and "CANCEL"; "CLEAR" button erases retro scale data from memory and returns to retro scale top menu, setting current scale with "empty" name and default station name as "MY LOCATION" 1 or 2 based on origin; "CANCEL" button returns back to retro scale top menu, data preserved;

SWITCH USER SCALE - to switch between 2 user lists; clicking this button switches from one list to another; This function can be useful to quickly change one radio stations list to another, i.e. "home-office", "home-travel...);

LOAD PRESET - to load desirable preset; Clicking this button opens up warning that current retro scale data will be lost and replaced with one from memory;

CHANGE COLOR - to select scale color; each of custom stations lists can be colored individually; Clicking this button opens new menu items: Color box, Cancel button, SAVE COLOR AND EXIT; Select desired color and "SAVE COLOR AND EXIT"; CANCEL to return to retro scale top menu, no custom color saved;

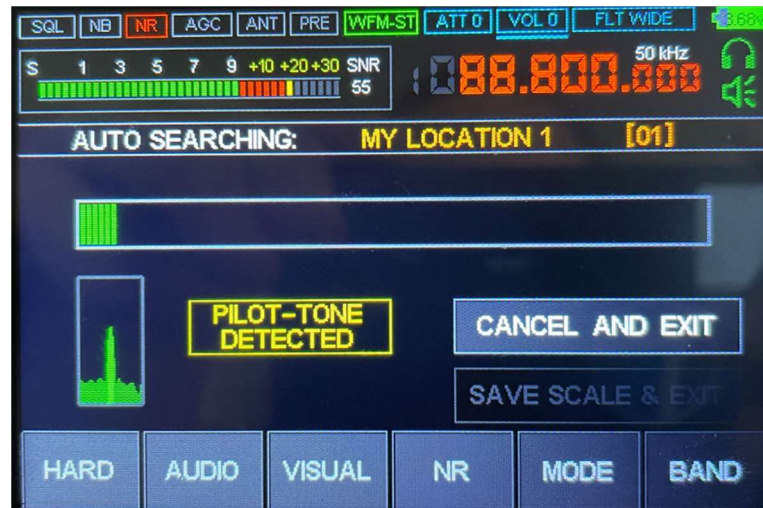
CANCEL - to exit retro scale menu to receiver top menu;

AUTOSEARCHING - to automatically search and save radio stations. Check for function details in 7.40;

While in retro scale mode, user can advance tuner frequency by 50 kHz or jump from station to next. To jump from one station to next use "FREQUENCY" encoder until text "NEXT" appears in place of step size.

7.39 FM-STATIONS SCAN MODE

This function performs radio stations scan in FM mode. To initiate scan mode, enter vintage retro scale menu select "AUTO SEARCHING" -> pressing this button starts retro scale menu.



When the auto search is finished, a new window will open containing the buttons:

- CANCEL AND EXIT - to cancel the autosearch results and exit to the retro scale menu;
- SAVE SCALE & EXIT - to save the results of autosearch and exit to the retro scale menu.**Attention!** Only FM-stations with strong signal for stereo decoding appended to the list by auto search function. For the auto search to work, you must turn on the headphones as an audio output, turn on the WFM stereo parameter in the AUDIO menu.

In areas with poor reception, use option 'ADD/EDIT STATION' p.7.39.1, and use manual frequency tuning for selecting and adding station to the list with 'SAVE SND CONTINUE' button and continue with auto search. New station appended to the list with new name based on frequency value and 'MHz' abbreviation. Adding and deleting stations from the list, done after search complete and scale saved. Both auto search and manual are equally effective and easy to use, no real advantage one versus another.

7.40 SETTING FREQUENCY MANUALLY

Radio receiver allows setting frequency manually.

To set desired frequency:

- Tap on frequency's digital display, top right corner;
- Enter desired value in Hz, kHz or MHz;

To exit frequency-editing menu, tap on frequency's digital display again.

7.41 Auto NOTCH FILTER

This function allows you to remove an interfering tone-type signal from the received signal. This function can only be used when receiving in USB, LSB mode. To enable the function, go to the AUDIO menu and press the ANF button.

7.42 Pseudostereo

This function allows you to create a surround sound effect. The use of this function is possible when using all types of modulation, except for WFM, and only when listening to headphones.

7.43 Function PGA BST

This function allows you to create a surround sound effect. The use of this function is possible when using all types of modulation, except for WFM, and only when listening to headphones.

7.44 Changing frequency of display

This function is available only in Malachite-DSP₂, is experimental and affects only the frequency of the display in WFM mode. To work with this function, you need to remove the rear cover of the radio receiver and set switch 3 on the DIP SWITCH on the printed circuit board to position:

- OFF - for reduced frequency;
- ON - for increased frequency.

7.44 Management of users equipment

This function is currently only available in Malachite-DSP₁, it allows you to control additional equipment (for example, a Bluetooth module) using a logic discrete signal. A logic signal is generated on pin number 8 of the connector (in accordance with the diagram in section 9), intended for connecting an additional board. Logic 0 corresponds to voltage 0V, logical 1 corresponds to voltage 3.3V.

To control logic signals, go to the HARD menu and press the User funct button. Enabled state corresponds to logical 1, Disabled state corresponds to logical 0.

8 SOFTWARE UPDATE

The firmware of the receivers is carried out in accordance with the video instructions:

- for Malachite-DSP1 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4SF-XynJvMs>
- for Malachite-DSP2 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3RMuSRu4kuA>

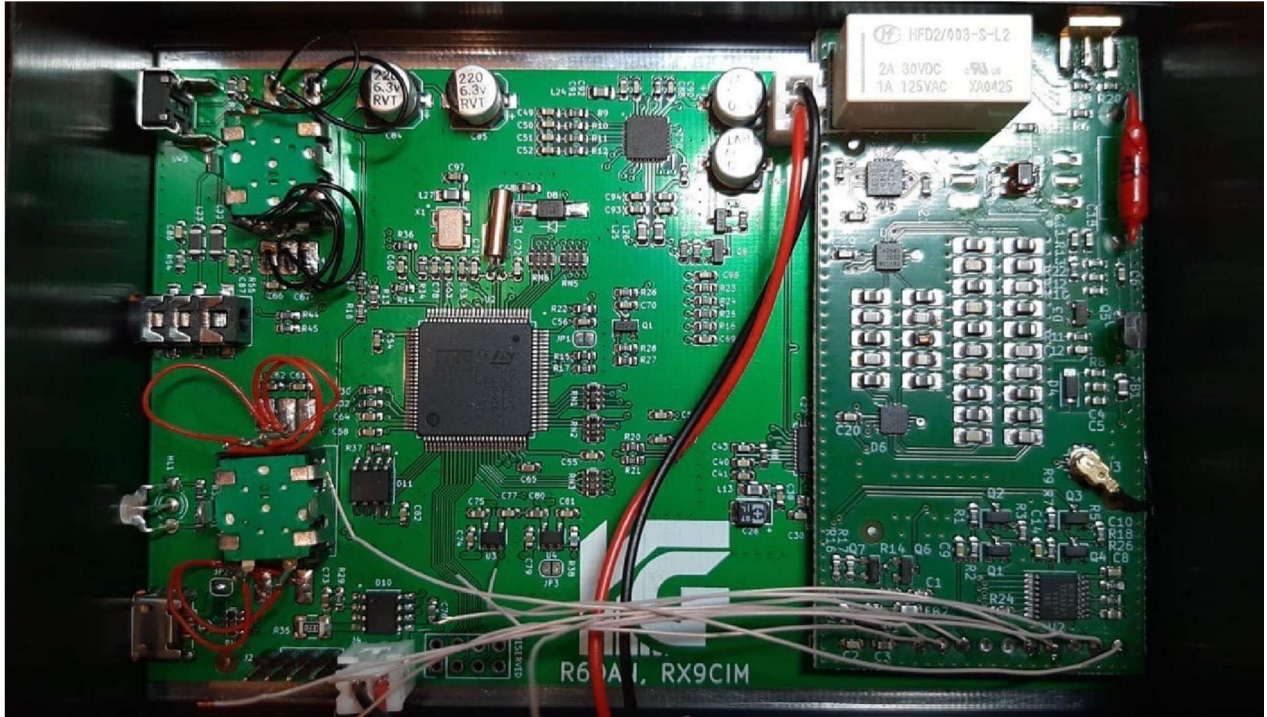
9 ACCESSORY BOARD INSTALLATION

This section is relevant only for Malachite-DSP1.

Accessory board pinout and description:



Pin designation follows the PCB placement inside radio receiver enclosure, check picture below:



Board power supply can be provided from battery directly or from pcb's power planes. For an example power, can be sourced from capacitor C76 located close to battery connector header, top side is ground ('GND'), bottom is positive ('+').

10 MEASURED RADIO RECEIVER SENSITIVITY

Sensitivity, dBm, SSB, dF=300-800Hz, S/N=10dB, Input 50 Ohm, optional board is present, display is OFF

RF	RF	RF GAIN=0,	RF GAIN=10,	RF GAIN=20, frequency	GAIN=0
GAIN=20	PRE=EN	PRE=EN	PRE=EN		
100000	-97	-96	-92	-92	-94
1000000	-109 -111 -121 -120 -120	5000000 -109 -114 -121 -127 -128	10000000 -110 -120		
-123 -125 -125	15000000 -115 -121 -121 -121 -121	20000000 -117 -121 -123 -125 -124			
30000000 -111 -113 -115 -116 -117	50000000 -115 -112 -109 -107 -115	70000000 -122 -			
121 -127 -125 -127					
90000000	-120	-125	-128	-128	-127

100000000 -119 -123 -124 -127 -126
120000000 -118 -113 -117 -116 -113
140000000 -108 -124 -130 -128 -130
145000000 -110 -125 -130 -130 -130 150000000 -104 -122 -130 -130 -
127
170000000 -112 -124 -126 -130 -129 200000000 -120 -121 -127 -128 -127 240000000 -105
-108 -117 -117 -114
410000000 -106 -109 -109 -109 -109
430000000 -116 -116 -118 -118 -117 440000000 -117 -114 -115 -116 -115
500000000 -96,5 -108 -111 -114 -112 600000000 -117 -119 -124 -126
-124 800000000 -114 -121 -123 -126 -122
1100000000 -98 -105 -109 -113 -111 1200000000 -103 -106 -110 -112 -112
1500000000 -108 -114 -113 -116 -117
190000000 -101 -106 -98 -103 -104

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