# Real Time Data Transmission over FM Sub-Carrier Frequencies

### Project Objectives

- o To develop a cheap, long range means of transmitting data.
- o To be able to broadcast data in real-time.
- o To utilize existing infrastructure in developing the system.

### Possible solutions

- o Transmit data over telephone lines or other wired solutions
- o Transmit data over existing GSM networks
- o Transmit data over existing analog cellular networks
- o Transmit data over wireless wide area network
- o Transmit data over FM frequencies

# Decision: Utilize existing FM radio stations

#### ADVANTAGES

- Cheap, no recurring costs
- No need for cables/wires
- Can be received even when mobile

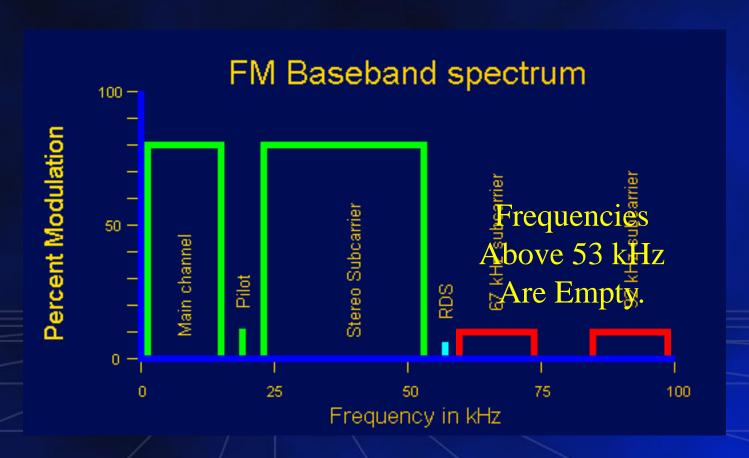
#### • **DISADVANTAGES**

- One-way only
- Technology is relatively new to the country
- Requires consent/partnership with FM broadcast stations

# The FM Radio Spectrum

- o The FM Radio Band is between 87.5-108 MHz
- o An FM Signal is allocated 200 kHz each of space to transmit its signal
  - o FM Mono and Stereo Signal occupies 53% of this space
  - o 47% of the space allocated is empty

## The FM Radio Spectrum



It is possible to place up to two additional signals in this area

# The FM Radio Spectrum

- o These Signals are Called FM Sub-carrier Frequencies.
  - o Historically, these signals are used for music.
  - o Recent developments have made it feasible for these signals to be used for Real Time Data Broadcasting.

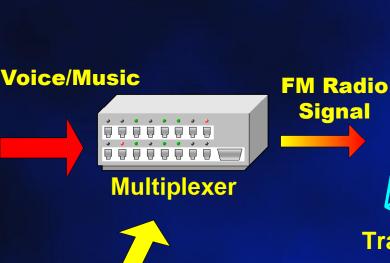
# Real Time Data Broadcasting

o Using an available FM sub-carrier of an existing station, EACOMM Corporation can broadcast data over the whole station coverage area where receivers can decode the signal and display them.

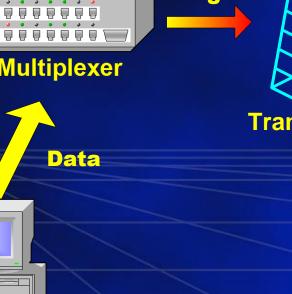
# Block Diagram Transmitter



**Signal From Radio Station** 



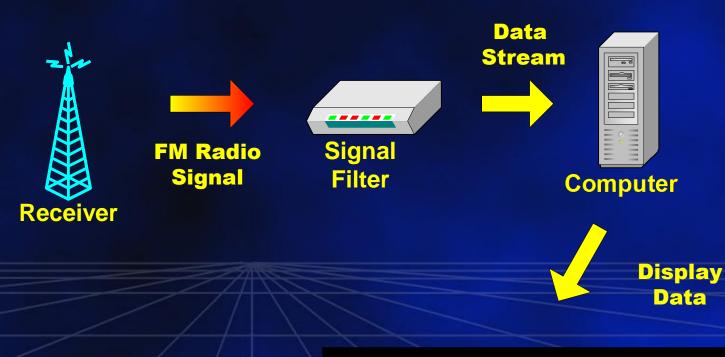
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# Block Diagram Receiver

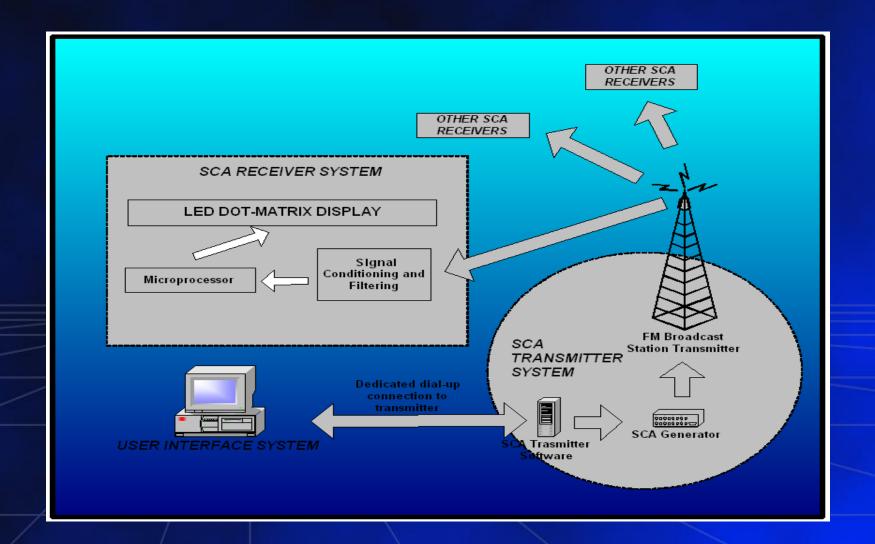


LED MATRIX DISPLAY

# FM Subcarrier Data Transmission System

#### **Functional Blocks:**

- o User Interface System (UIS)
  - o Facilitates data entry
- o Transmitter System
  - o Converts digital computer data to FM frequencies
- o Receiver/Display System
  - o Filters out data from FM signal and displays it



# Technology Applications

- o Advertising
- o Real-time Traffic Information
- o Real-time Stock Updates
- o Real-time Commodities Prices Updates
- o Announcement/News broadcasting
- o Weather Updates
- o Others

## Technology Status

- o EACOMM Corporation has completed proof-of-concept testing in Iba,Zambales with 98.92% accuracy from 10KM away from the FM broadcast station at speeds of 1200 bits per second (1.2 kbps).
- o Development of the user interface, and final hardware/software design for the SCA transmitter and receiver is on-going.

# Current Application

o Adspace Specialists Inc., has acquired EACOMM Corporation's services in developing a FM sub-carrier data transmission system for advertising and information broadcasting services.



### Future Innovations

- O Improvement on the current system in terms of accuracy, and transmission speeds
- Incorporation of a Feedback loop via a GSM network
- Adoption of, or Compatibility with, existing transmission standards
  - o Data Radio Channel (DARC)
  - o RDS (Radio Data Service)
  - o Others
- o Digital FM radio
- o Wireless Broadband