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High Frequency (HF) Test Facility & Network Modeling Update (July 2006 to January 2007)

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JITC Vision and Mission

Vision: A world-class test and evaluation organization that advances global net-centric testing in support of warfighting capabilities

Mission: JITC provides a full-range of agile and cost-effective test, evaluation, and certification services to support rapid acquisition and fielding of global net-centric warfighting capabilities



High Frequency Test Facility (HFTF) Background

- The High Frequency Test Facility was established in 1989
- The HFTF provides both a testing laboratory and an operational facility, supporting conformance and interoperability testing



HFTF History

- **HF test support began in 1989**
- **Historical HF requirements**
 - MIL-STD 188-110A (30 Sep 1991)
 - MIL-STD 188-141A Notice 2 (10 Sep 1993)
- **Present emphasis on HF requirements**
 - MIL-STD 188-203-1A (May 1982)
 - MIL-STD 188-110B (27 Apr 2000)
 - MIL-STD 188-141B (31 Aug 2001)
 - STANAG 5066 (Version 1.2)

HFTF Facilities

- **Operational Facility**
 - 3 Level SCOPE Command System
- **Conformance and Interoperability Test Laboratory**
 - MIL-STD and STANAG Testing
 - Automated and Manual Testing
 - Legends Test Network
 - 14 Test Management Systems
 - Automated Testing
 - Central Data Management
 - Channel Simulation (HF and Audio)
 - Network Simulation
 - Computer Modeling and Analysis
 - Icepack
 - GenetScope



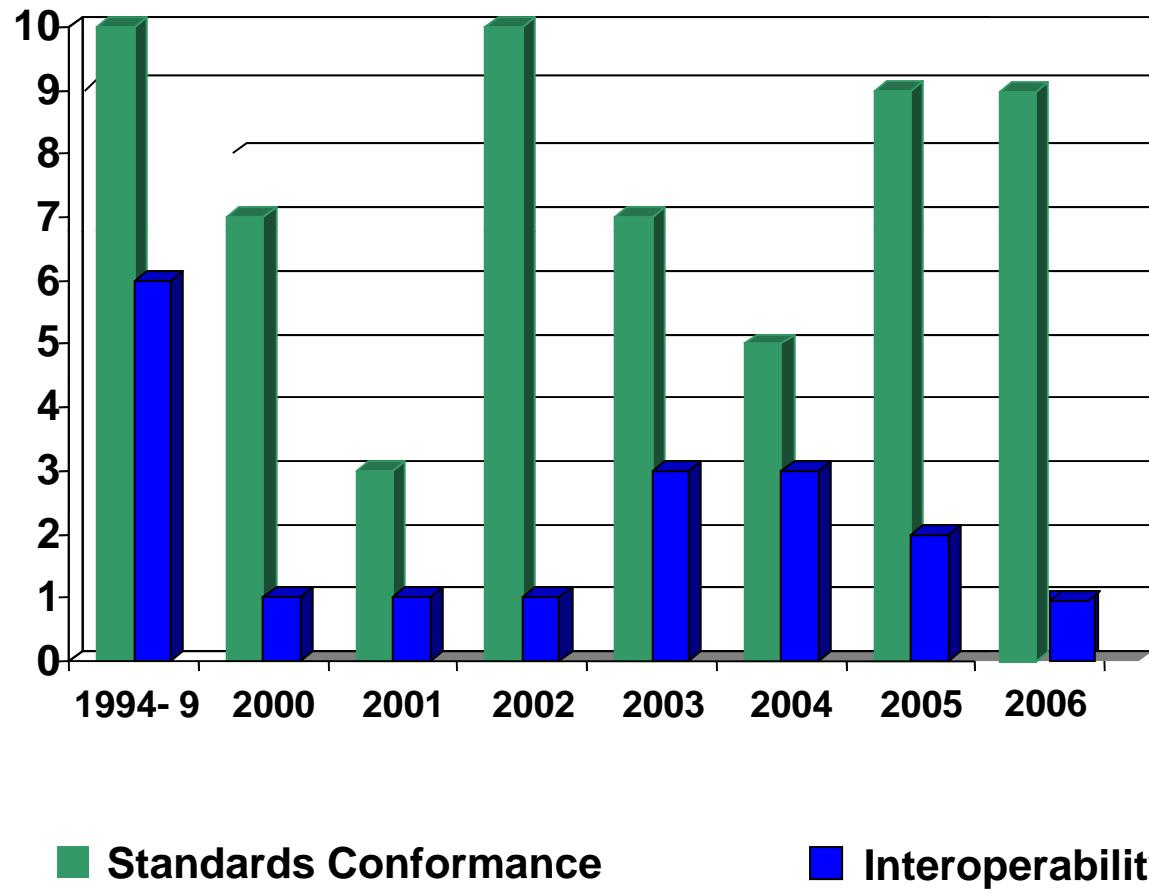


HFTF Standards and Test Capabilities

- **HF Test Plans (Existing or under Development)**
 - **MIL-STD 188-110B (Serial Mode, 39 Tone, and above 2400 bps)**
 - **MIL-STD 188-141B (Basic Radio, ALE, and Link Protection)**
 - **STANAG 4203 (HF Radio Conformance Test)**
 - **STANAG 5511 (HF Radio Conformance Link 11 Requirements)**
 - **STANAG 5066 (Data Protocol for E-mail over HF)**
 - **STANAG 4529 (Narrowband width Serial Mode Waveform)**
 - **STANAG 4285 (Serial Mode Waveform)**
 - **STANAG 4539 (Technical Standards for Non-Hop HF Communication Waves)**
 - **MIL-STD 188-203-1A (Interoperability and Performance Standards for TADIL-A)**



HFTF Certification History





HFTF Current Test Support

- **Current Test Support**
 - SCOPE Command
 - Spiral 2, Type 3
 - Genetscope/DEVS
 - US Navy AN/URC-131C
 - Interop Assessment



HFTF Planned Test Support

- **Planned CY07 Test Support**
 - SPAWAR AN/URC-131 MIL-STD 188-141B Interoperability Assessment
 - DATRON RT 7700 MIL-STD 188-141B Standards Conformance Certification



Test Activity Summary (July 06 – January 07)

- **MIL-STD 188-110B**
 - RapidM RM 6 (Sponsored by Datron World Communications)
- **MIL-STD 188-141B**
 - Rockwell Collins HF-121C
 - Harris AN/URC-131C
- **Interoperability Assessment**
 - HF 121C
 - Harris AN/URC-131C
- **Responsible Test Organization for SCOPE Command**
 - Developing updated network model
 - Test plan development
 - Acceptance test support



Conformance Certifications (In Process) (July 06–Jan 07)

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 - Harris AN/URC-131C
- **MIL-STD 188-203-1A**
 - DRC MX-512PA (part of HF-121C)



Conformance / Assessment Tests

CY07

- **MIL-STD 188-110B Tests**
 - None
- **MIL-STD 188-141B Tests**
 - Datron RT-7700
- **MIL-STD 188-203-1A Tests**
 - None



HFTF Test Procedures

- **Test Procedures (under development or revision)**
 - MIL-STD 188-110B
 - MIL-STD 188-141B (Appendix C)
 - MIL-STD 188-203-1A
 - MIL-STD 188-148A
 - STANAG 5066



GenetScope / NETSIM 2

HF Radio Simulation on a Worldwide Basis

- Background
- Simulation requirements
- GenetScope and NETSIM2
- How do you model the world?
- Scenario based simulation
- Data analysis



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The High Frequency Global Communications System supports:

- VIP Fleet - MYSTIC STAR
- U.S. Air Force Global HF System
- Defense Communications System (DCS) HF Entry
- Sistema de Informatica y Telecommunicaciones de las Fuerzas Aereas Americanas (SITFAA) - Information and Telecommunications System of the American Air Forces

Communications Support:

- Foreign Dignitaries
- State Department
- White House
- Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS)
- Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA)
- Air Mobility Command (AMC)
- Air Combat Command (ACC)
- Air Force Space Command (AFSPC)
- U.S. Air Forces Europe (USAFE)
- Pacific Air Forces (PACAF)
- Air Weather Service (AWS)
- United States Navy
- North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)
- Civil Air Patrol
- Department of Homeland Defense





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- **Simulation Requirements**
 - The HFGCS is offering expanded capabilities to users
 - Voice connection to the DISN
 - NIPRNET/SIPRNET Email
 - Ground based in addition to Aircraft
 - Analysis of coverage
 - Analysis of location of new stations
 - Analysis of assets
 - Equipment
 - Antennas
 - Channels
 - Analysis of new capabilities
 - Data Protocols
 - MELP
 - Terrestrial Network
 - VOIP



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- **DEVS**
 - Discrete Event System Specification
- **GenetScope (Generic Network Model for Systems Capable of Planned Expansion)**
 - Architecture to simulate complex radio and protocol systems
- **NETSIM 2 (Second Generation HFGCS Model)**
 - Overlay of HFGCS on GenetScope

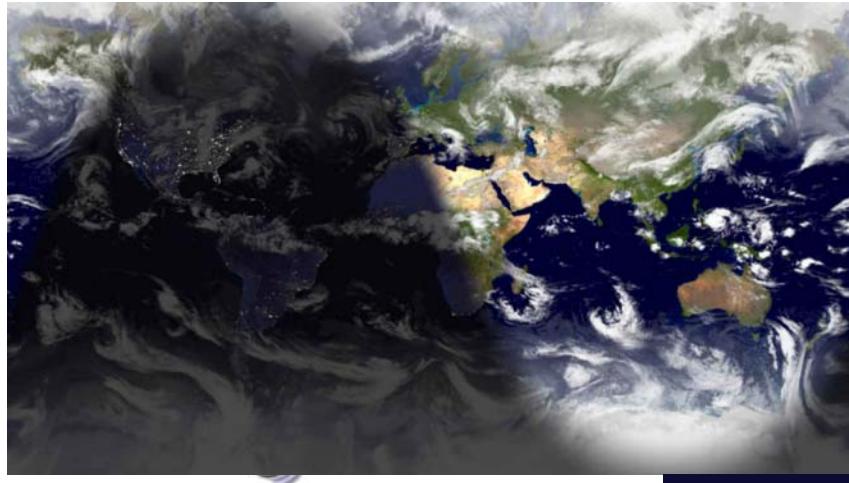


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- **How do you model the world?**
 - Location
 - Equipment specifics
 - Power
 - Antenna
 - Date
 - Time
 - Sunspot number
- **Propagation?**
 - Predictable using industry standard programs

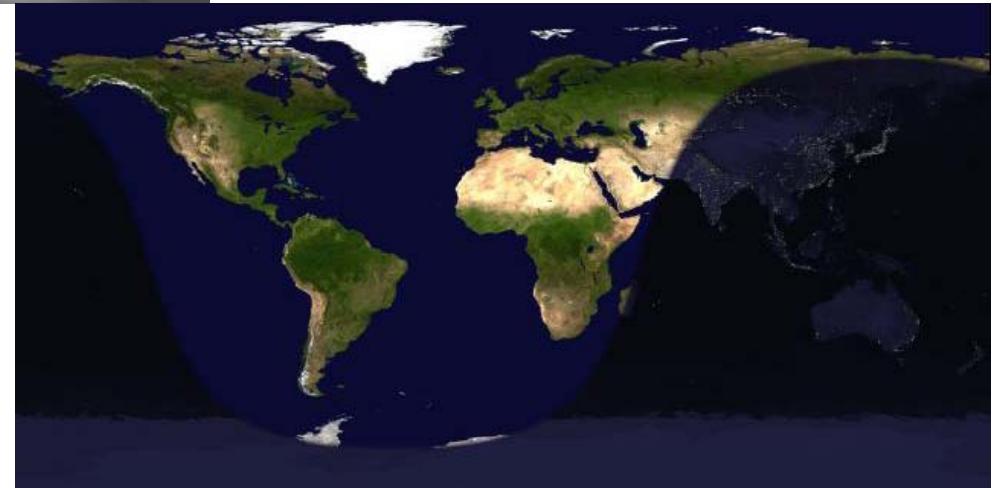


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Location
Date
Time
Solar Activity
Solar Cycle

Transmit Power
Receive Noise
Bandwidth
Signal to Noise

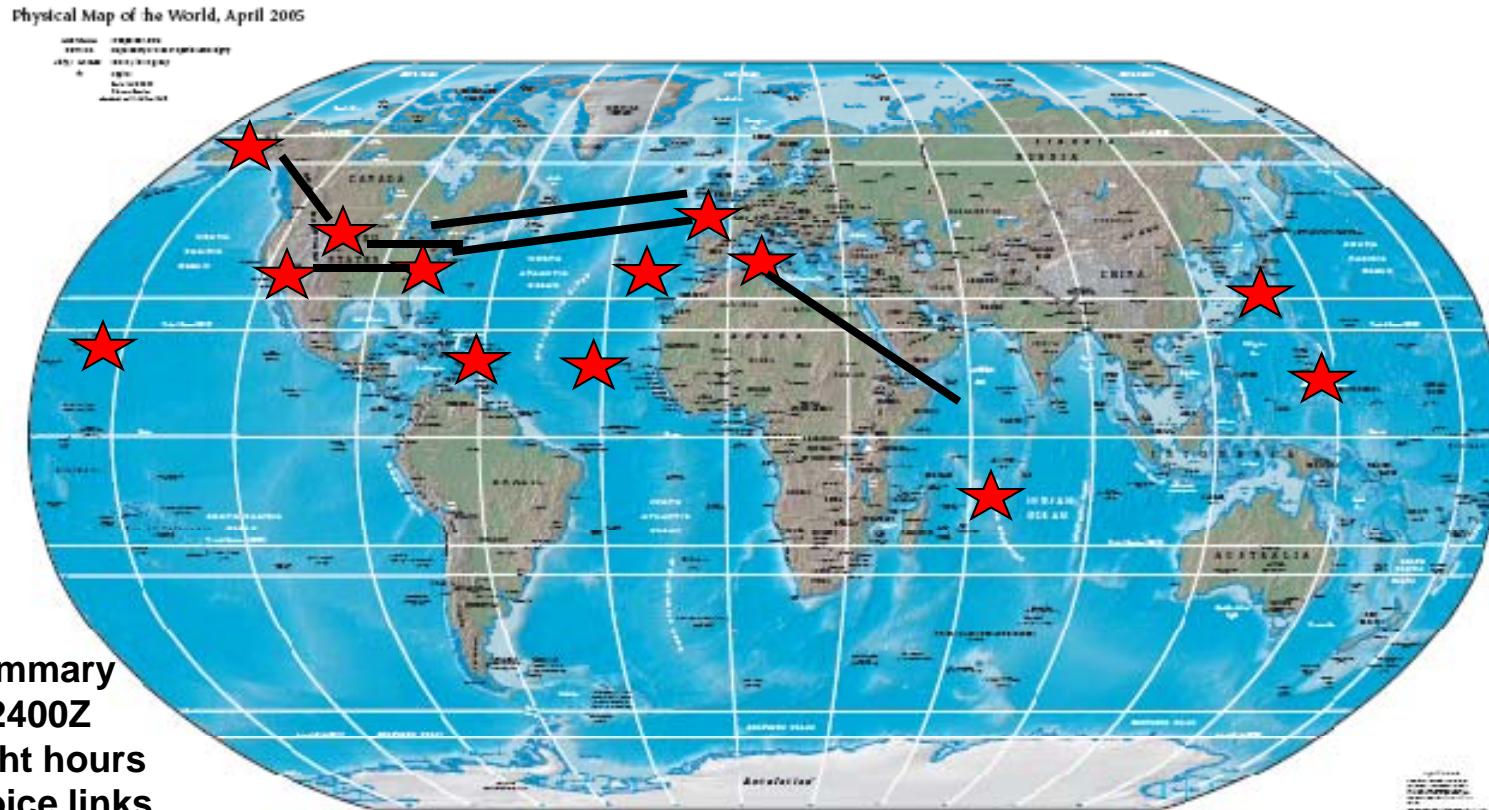


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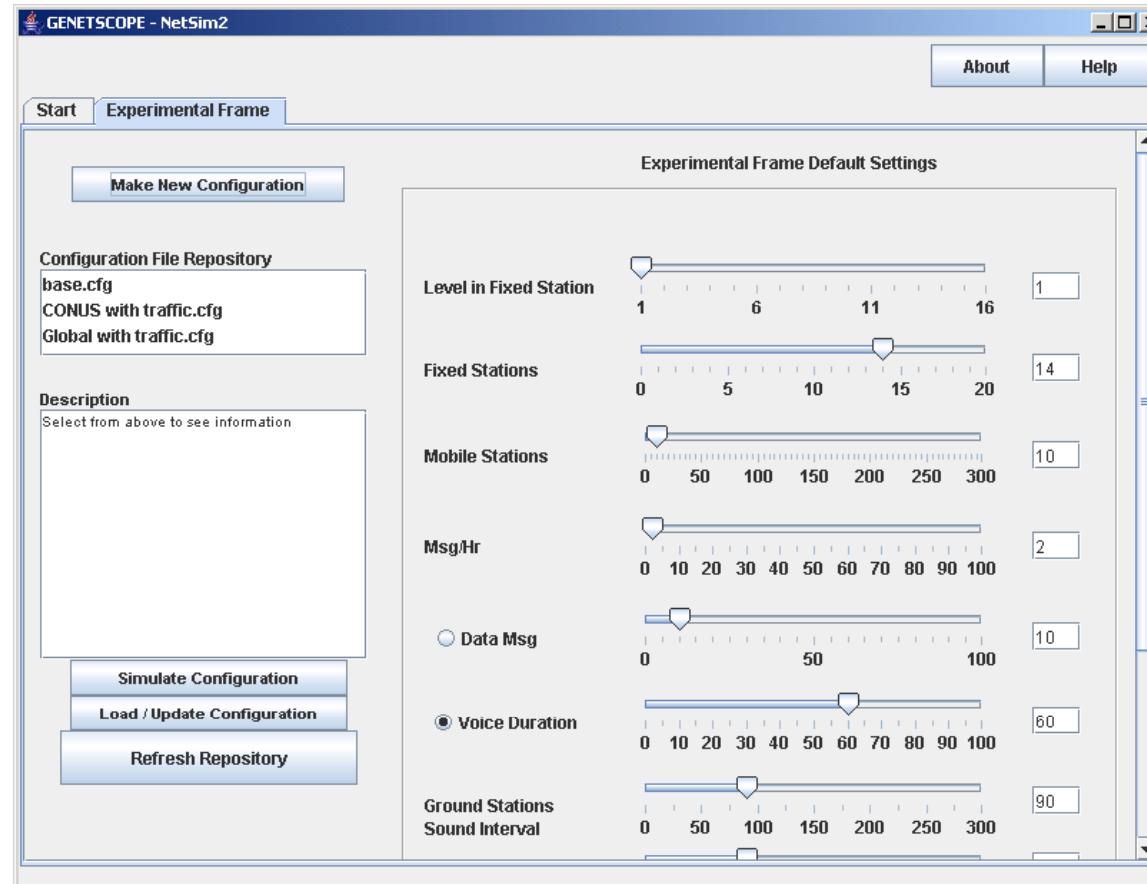
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HFGCS Worldwide Network



Summary
1600-2400Z
33 flight hours
151 voice links
76 links on first attempt
10 of 14 stations used
6 of 9 channels

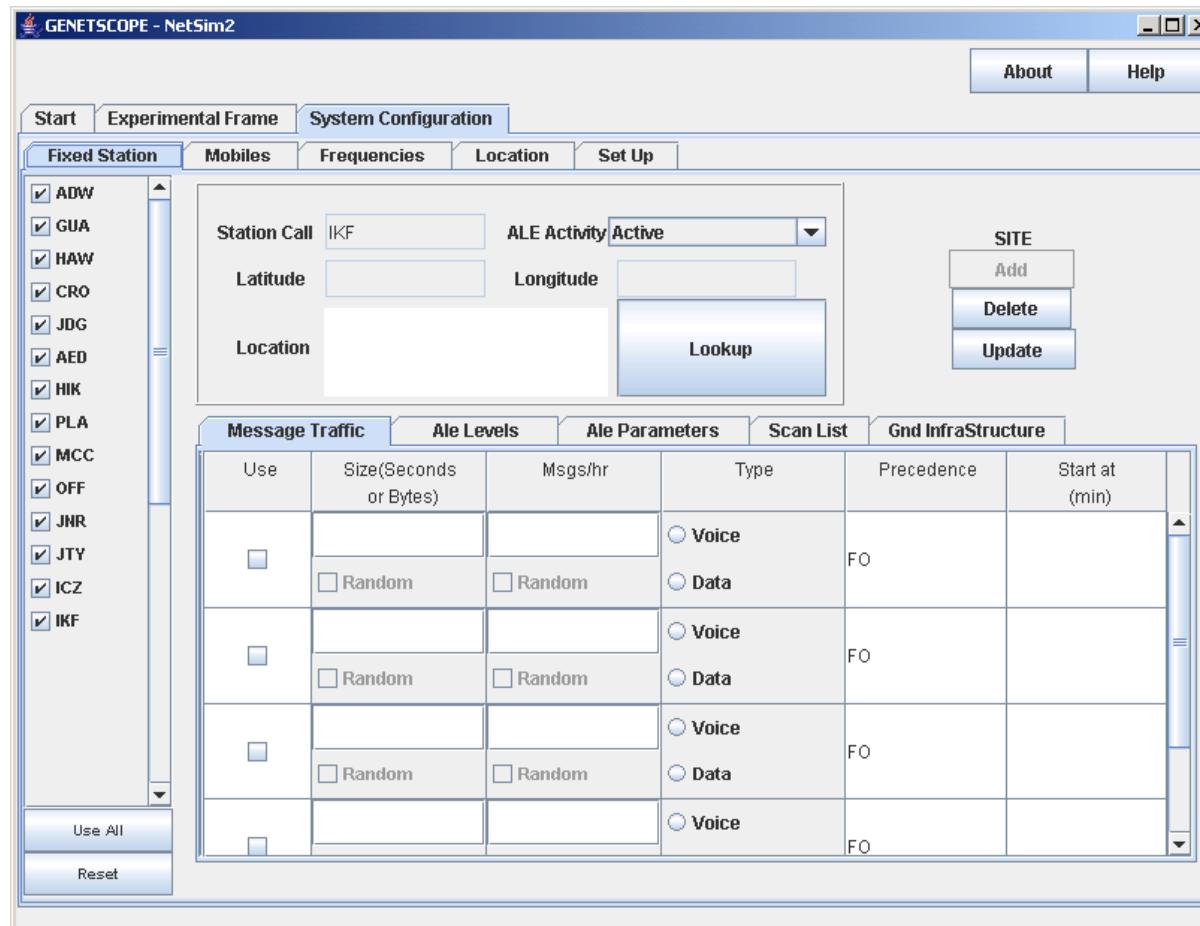
- Experimental frame
 - Scenario plan





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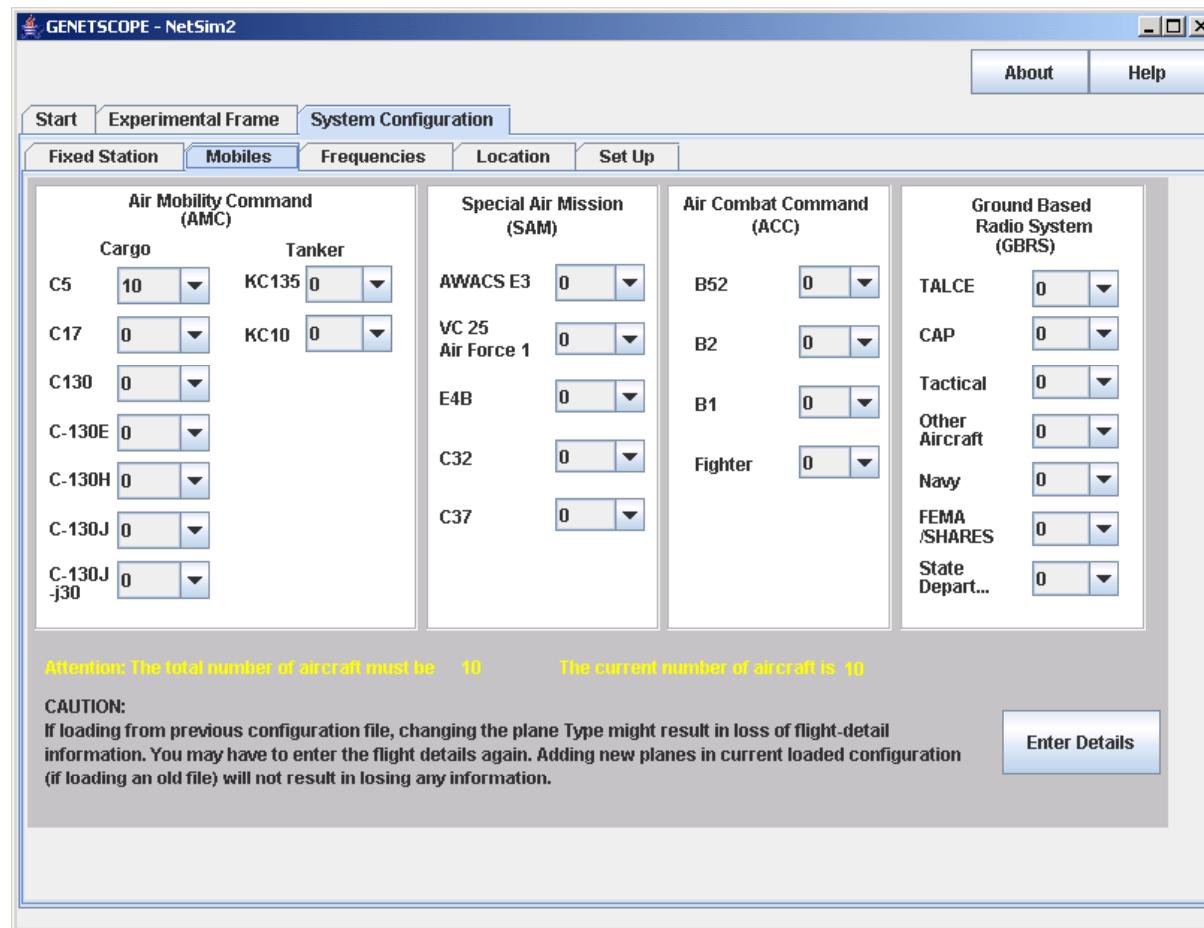
- Fixed station design





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- Mobile planning



- Automated scenario management
- Traffic generation
- Movement of mobiles between waypoints
- Propagation for any communications requirement anywhere in the world
- Just like the old days

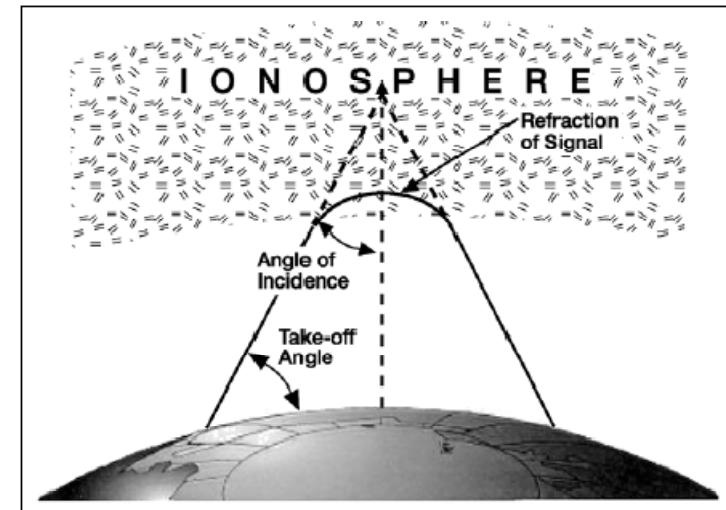


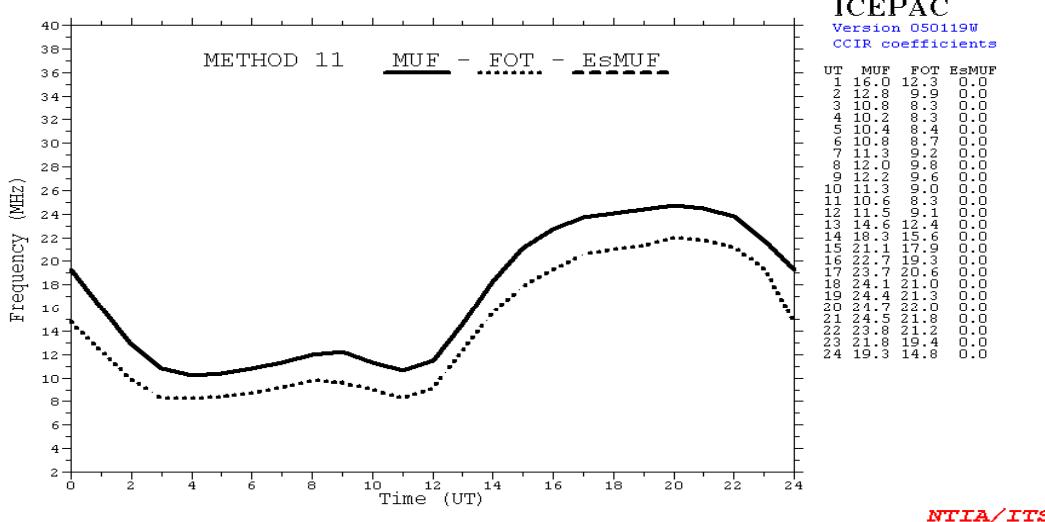
Figure I-2. Incident Angle



GenetScope / NETSIM 2

- Pick two locations
- Select date, time, sun spot number

```
FEB      2006      SSN = 10.      Qeff= 0.0      Minimum Angle 0.10 deg
ANDREWS AFB          FT. HUACHUCA      AZIMUTHS      N. MI.      KM
38.80 N   76.88 W - 31.55 N 110.33 W    265.40    65.72    1687.9    3125.8
XMTR  2-30 2-D Table [DEFAULT\CONST17.VOA ] Az= 0.0 OFFaz=265.4 4.000kW
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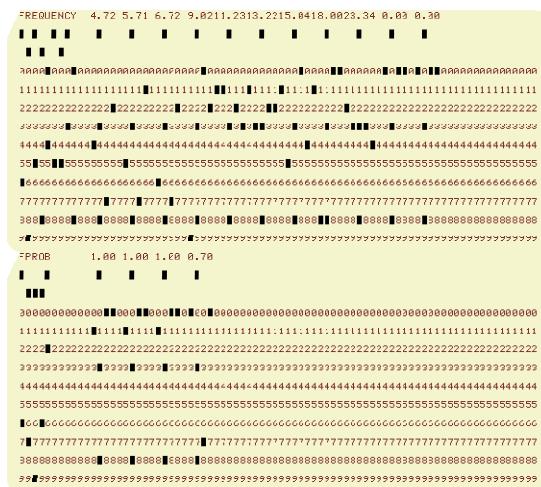




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- What if you have 14 fixed stations and several dozen aircraft worldwide?
- Repeat the process Over and Over
- The IONCAP prediction program is 30 years old.

IONCAP



30 years ago

DEVSJAVA

```
public void InsertSelfEvent(EventStruct theEvent_) {  
    EventStruct theEvent = NewEvent().clone(theEvent_);  
    theEvent = theEvent_;  
    int entity = theEvent.EventEntity;  
    double eventTime = doubleFormat.niceDouble(theEvent.EventTime);  
    theEvent.srcEntity = entity; //by saurabh  
    arrived.put(new doubleEnt(eventTime), theEvent);  
  
    holdUntilNextJob();
```

Today



GenetScope / NETSIM 2

- Propagation program output for each communications attempt

- FEB 2006 SSN = 10. Qeff= 0.0 Minimum Angle 0.10 deg
- ANDREWS AFB FT. HUACHUCA AZIMUTHS N. MI. KM
- 38.80 N 76.88 W - 31.55 N 110.33 W 265.40 65.72 1687.9 3125.8
- XMTR 2-30 2-D Table [DEFAULT\CONST17.VOA] Az= 0.0 OFFaz=265.4 4.000kW
- RCVR 2-30 2-D Table [DEFAULT\SWWHIP.VOA] Az= 0.0 OFFaz= 65.7
- 3 MHZ NOISE = -114.0 DBW REQ. REL = .90 REQ. SNR = 25.0 DB
- MULTIPATH POWER TOLERANCE = 3.0 DB MULTIPATH DELAY TOLERANCE = 0.100 MS
-
- 1.0 16.0 6.1 7.2 9.7 11.9 13.7 15.4 17.7 21.6 25.9 0.0 0.0 FREQ
- 1F2 2F2 2F2 2F2 1F2 1F2 1F2 1F2 1F2 1F2 - - MODE
- 4.1 12.7 13.1 14.1 1.8 2.3 3.1 4.1 4.1 4.1 - - ANGLE
- 10.9 11.1 11.1 11.1 10.7 10.8 10.8 10.9 10.9 10.9 - - DELAY
- -101 -87 -87 -90 -103 -102 -99 -111 -150 -214 - - S DBW
- -139 -127 -129 -133 -135 -137 -138 -140 -143 -145 - - N DBW
- 38 40 42 43 32 35 40 29 -8 -70 - - SNR
- 14 -2 -2 5 10 13 12 23 60 121 - - RPWRG
- 0.74 0.92 0.93 0.84 0.70 0.71 0.76 0.58 0.05 0.00 - - REL
- 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 - - MPROB



GenetScope / NETSIM 2

- Scenario based simulation
- A small scenario
 - 6 stations
 - 2 aircraft
 - 9 channels
 - 1 hour
- Results
 - 217 ALE activities (sound, listen, call)
 - 54 transmissions (sound, link)
 - 723 calls to the prop program
 - 2 ALE links
- 2 hours to run



GenetScope / NETSIM 2

- **A large scenario**
 - 14 stations
 - 100+ aircraft
 - 9 channels
 - **24 hours**
- **Results**
 - 10,000+ ALE activities (sound, listen, call)
 - 5,000 transmissions (sound, link)
 - 100,000 calls to the prop program
 - 500 ALE links
- **72 + hours to run**



GenetScope / NETSIM 2

Define Fixed Stations and Mobiles

Fixed Station

F	ADW	38.817	-76.867	-114	A	Andrews
	ALE1					
	RT 1					
	PA 1					
	ANT1					
	Bcast					
#T	0	2	60	10	V	~2 msg/hr to gnd ~1.0 minutes ea
C	2	4	8	10	11	14 17 AF ALE

Mobile

M	150	35.466	-97.533	S	C5	455684
T	0	3	60	10	V	
T	0	1	20	250	D	
L	ADW	OFF	MCC	HIK	AED	
W	0.1	35.466	-97.533	A	CITY	OK USA TINKER AFB USAF
W	4	39.166	-75.533	S	DOVER	DE USA DOVER AFB USAF
C	2	4	8	10	11	14 17 AF ALE



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GENETSCOPE - NetSim2

Start **Experimental Frame** **Run/Simulate**

Run Abstract Model **Resume Simulation** **Pause** **Terminate**

Debugging mode Debugging mode

Simulating configuration file: **CONUS with traffic** SSN: **32** Threshold SNR (dB): **-6** Start Time (GMT): **16:00:00**
Default Scanlist: **AFALE** Ground Station Sounding Interval (min): **90** End Time (GMT): **01:00:00**

Obtained Statistics at (hh:mm:ss): **00:00:59.3** from start of simulation time

Last Transmission at:	00:00:35.332	Total transmissions	1
Sound transmitted by ADW on channel 6		Total Heard Sounds	4
Last Sound heard at:	00:00:41.067		
By station 155 Level 1 from station ADW on channel 6 with LQA score of 29			
Best SNR detected so far	16.999 dB on Channel	6	at 00:00:38.283

Total Messages (includes retransmission)

Voice	Transmitted	0	Delivered	0
Data	Transmitted	0	Delivered	0

Total Stations

Active	Silent	Off	No Traffic (Mobiles)
OFF HIK HAW	155 154 153		
ADW ICZ CRO	152 151 150		
IKF JDG JTY	159 158 157		
PLA JNR GUA	156		

NOTE:
The Simulation Clock above should be continuously advancing. If it is not advancing for more than 60 seconds, the system is in locked-in mode.
Kindly run the simulation again in Debugging mode and report it to the ACIMS development center.



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- **Data Analysis**
 - 5 user logs
 - Importable into excel

ALE Log

Sta	Level	At	Time	on	Sta	Status				
1	1	00:00:33.133			Ch:6	to:0	Listening			
1	1	00:00:35.332			Ch:6	to:0	Sounding			
150	1	00:00:36.283			Ch:6	to:0	Reading Snd	SNR (dB): 19.0	Score: 36	
11	1	00:00:36.783			Ch:6	to:0	Reading Snd	SNR (dB): 23.0	Score: 44	
10	1	00:00:39.783			Ch:6	to:0	Reading Snd	SNR (dB): 28.0	Score: 50	
150	1	00:00:41.067			Ch:6	to:0	Reading Snd	SNR (dB): 19.0	Score: 36	
11	1	00:00:41.567			Ch:6	to:0	Reading Snd	SNR (dB): 23.0		



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Channel Log

Chnl	Start time	End time	Src	Dest	Power
6	00:00:35.332	00:00:41.793	1	0	36.0
9	00:01:24.418	00:01:30.879	6	0	36.0
4	00:02:24.845	00:02:31.306	11	0	36.0
6	00:03:57.252	00:04:03.713	11	0	36.0
3	00:05:21.99	00:05:28.45	10	0	36.0
9	00:07:31.685	00:07:38.146	7	0	36.0
5	00:07:41.791	00:07:48.252	150	0	26.0

Linking Log

Src	Dest	Chnl	Qual	Start Time	End Time	Time taken
150	10	4	50	00:26:00.20	00:26:13.191	12.99
150	10	4	48	00:46:00.199	00:46:13.19	12.99



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LQA Log (Link Quality Analysis – Used for Channel Selection)

LQA Table from ALE 190 level 1 at station 150 at hour1

Sta Ch 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9,

ADW	0, 0, 0, 33, 0, 26, 0, 0, 0,
AED	0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
HIK	0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
MCC	0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 25, 0, 0, 0,
OFF	0, 45, 41, 46, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
JNR	0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,

=====

LQA Table from ALE 182 level 1 at station JNR at hour1

Sta Ch 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9,

ADW	, , , 29, , 33, , , ,
AED	, , , , , , , , ,
HIK	, , , , , , , , ,
MCC	, , , , , , , , ,
OFF	, , , , , , , , ,



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Message Log

Msg ID	Dest	Src	Pri	Len(s)	Time Req	Established	Done at	If Failed
150000	10	150	10	60	00:26:00.098	00:26:13.289	00:27:13.486	VOICE
150001	10	150	10	60	00:46:00.099	00:46:13.289	00:47:13.487	VOICE

Prop Log (used for propagation validation)

Listening at station: ADW to: 152 at: 00:00:35.499

Running PropString: DynPropString: 16 4 2006 32114 ADW 38.81N 76.86W 152 47.61N 117.3W

4.7 5.7 6.7 9.0 11.2 13.2 15.0 18.0 23.3 0.0 0.0 FREQ

-96 -58 -28 -2 2 -10 -1 -37 - - SNR

Frequency 15.04 MHz index: 6 SNR value for Freq[6]= -10.0



GenetScope / NETSIM 2

- **GenetScope / NETSIM2**
 - Completed Phase 1 of development 16 April 2006
 - Beta provided to the Air Force for review
- **Phase II (February 2007)**
 - Modeling of entire station
 - (up to 16 radios)
 - Different antennas
 - Connection to DISN
 - Multiple missions
 - Traffic generation
 - Email and data protocols
- **Phase III**
 - Distributed processing



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