

ACRS 1.0 Professional Installer Manual

FCC Regulatory Information

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Any changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

Part 15 TV Band Device Notice

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the rules for TV bands devices, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC rules. These rules are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- (1) Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- (2) Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- (3) Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- (4) Consult the manufacturer, dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

Caution: Exposure to Radio Frequency Radiation.

To comply with FCC RF exposure compliance requirements, for fixed configurations, a separation distance of at least 40 cm must be maintained between the antenna of this device and all persons.

This device must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

Installation Package Content

Base Station Kit

The base station installation kit includes the following components:

- ACRS 1.0 radio and power cord
- Kathrein CL-1469B UHF-TV log-periodic antenna or Antenna Direct DB2E antenna and cable
- Base station control PC
- Ethernet cables
- USB memory stick with software installation package

Client Station Kit

The client station installation kit includes the following components:

- ACRS 1.0 radio and power cord
- Antenna Direct DB2E antenna or PCB Bowtie antenna and cable
- Client station control PC
- Ethernet cables
- Broadband router
- USB memory stick with software installation package

Hardware Installation

ACRS 1.0 is the first generation Adaptrum cognitive radio system covering spectrum bands from 400 MHz to 1 GHz. ACRS 1.0 is specifically designed to operate in the UHF TV Band (470 MHz – 698 MHz), as TV Band Devices compliant to the rules specified in CFR 47 Part 15 Subpart H. To be rules compliant, **ACRS 1.0 systems must operate as Fixed TV Band Devices and must be professionally installed.**

ACRS 1.0 radio unit is enclosed in a 2U size box whose front panel and back panel are shown in the following pictures. Both the base station and the client station use the same radio unit.





ACRS 1.0 system has been authorized for use with the supplied Kathrein CL-1469B UHF-TV log-period antenna or Antenna Direct DB2E antenna or PCB Bowtie antenna. Only the following antenna types can be used with the ACRS 1.0 system:

- 1) Log-periodic antennas with a gain of 10.15 dBi or less.**
- 2) Bowtie antenna with backplane reflector with a gain of 11.8 dBi or less.**
- 3) Print-circuit-board (PCB) omni-directional bowtie antenna with a gain of 2.3 dBi or less.**

The antenna used with the ACRS 1.0 system must have well characterized gain. Antenna feed cable loss should also be characterized.

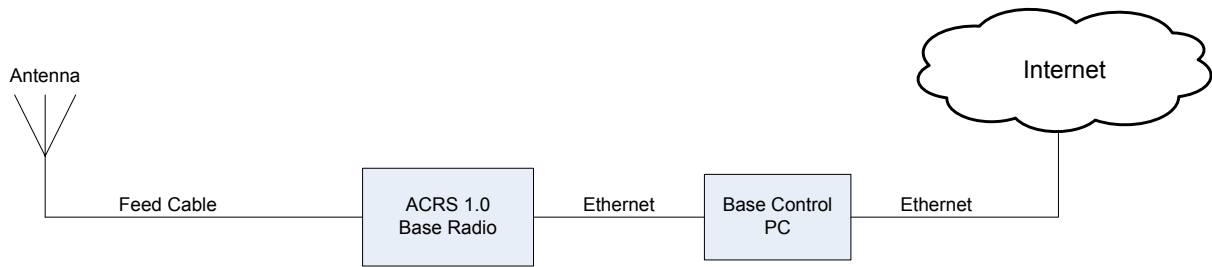
The installer must ensure that the antenna assembly meets the following requirement:

$$\text{Antenna EIRP} - \text{Feed Cable Loss} - \text{Attenuator Setting} = 7 \text{ dBi}$$

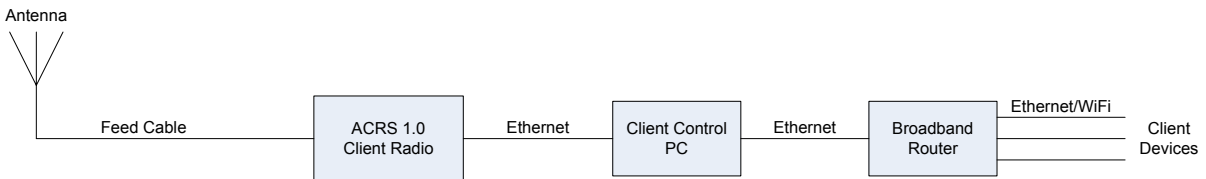
Here the “Attenuator Setting” is a software programmable output attenuation setting for the radio device that can be programmed at installation time (referring to Section “Post-Installation Setup” for discussion on how to program the setting). As an example, when a 10 dBi EIRP antenna and a feed cable with 1 dB loss are used, the “Attenuator Setting” must be programmed to:

$$\text{Attenuator Setting} = 10 \text{ dBi} - 1 \text{ dB} - 7 \text{ dBi} = 2 \text{ dB}$$

The “Attenuator Setting” programming must be done correctly during installation to ensure the device is compliant with the CFR 47 Part 15 Subpart H rules.



Base station installation diagram.



Client station installation diagram.

The above figures show the hardware installations at both the base station side and the client station side to allow the client side networking devices to connect to the Internet through the TV whitespace link between the base station and the client station.

For both the base station and the client station installations, the ACRS 1.0 radio N-type connector is connected to the feed cable which is connected to the antenna. The Ethernet ports of the base and client radios are connected to Ethernet ports on the base control PC and client control PC.

Both the base control PC and the client control PC have dual Ethernet ports. One of the Ethernet port is connected to the radio. The second Ethernet port on the base control PC is connected to a router or switch that connects to the Internet. The second Ethernet port on the client control PC is connected to a broadband router or switch which connects to the client side networking devices.

Once the hardware installation is complete, follow the instructions in the following sections to perform the software installation on the control PC. **Note if an installed radio unit and control PC are redeployed at a differently location, the installer must uninstall the old software and reinstall the software on the control PC.**

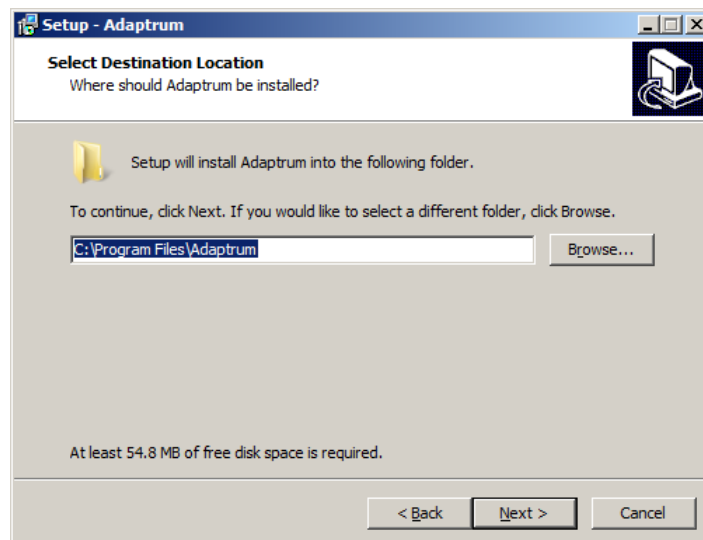
Software Installation

The USB memory stick comes with the package contains the software installer “AdaptrumTVBDStationInstallerSetup.exe” for the base station software installation or “AdaptrumTVBDClientInstallerSetup.exe” for the client station software installation. The software can run on Windows XP or Windows 7. The following describes the installation process on a Windows 7 PC.

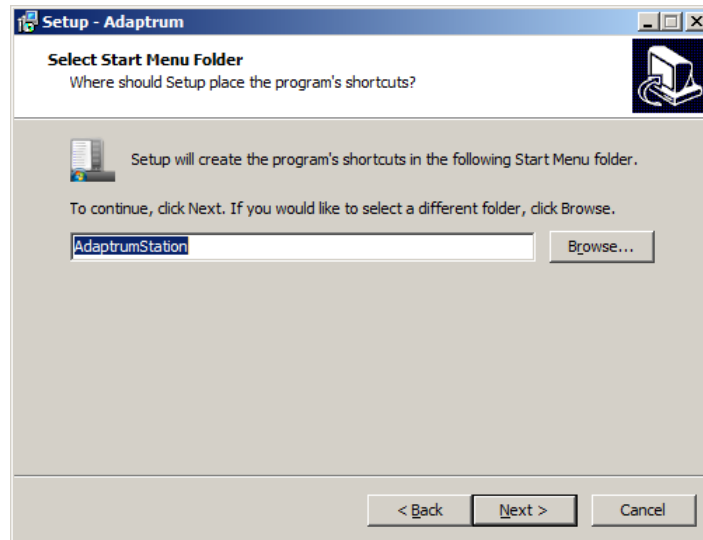
- 1) On the base control PC, double click the installer executable. The following set up program will show up. Select “Next” to continue installation.



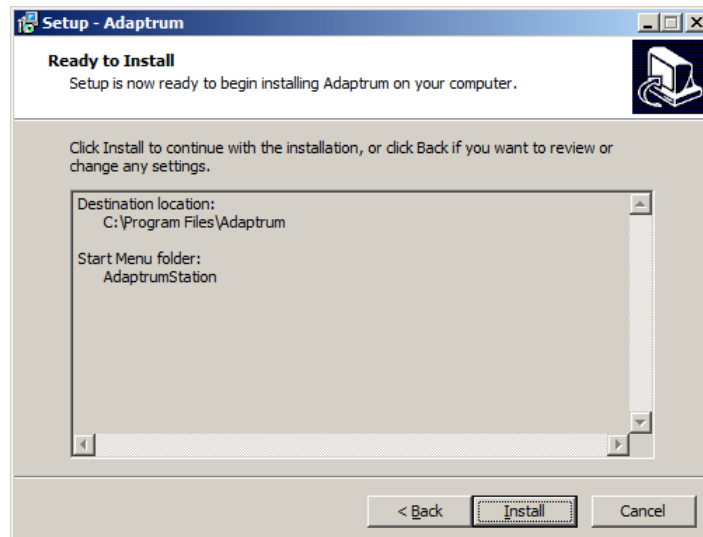
- 2) Select the desired installation directory and click “Next”. The default is “C:\Program Files\Adaptrum”



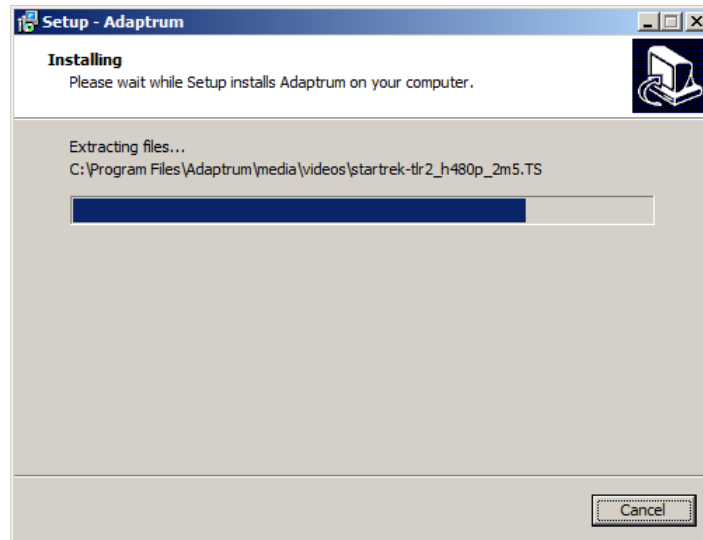
- 3) Select a folder in the Start Menu to place the program executable shortcut and click “Next”. The default is “AdaptrumStation” for the base station installation.



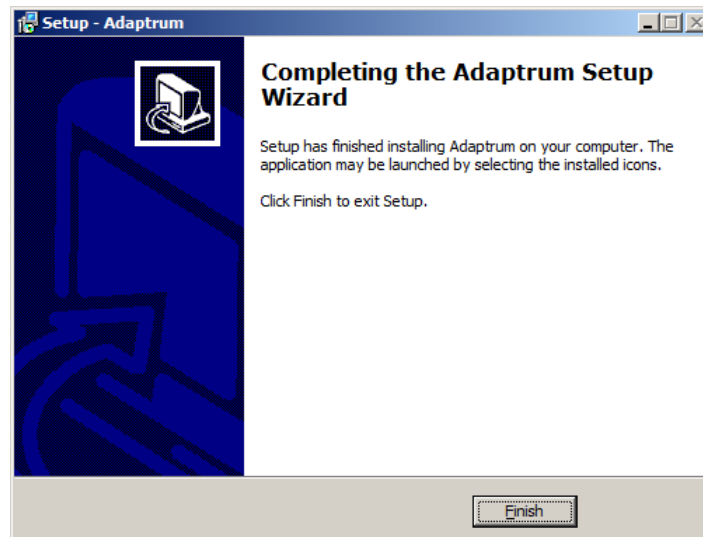
4) Double check the folder selections and click "Install" to install the program.



5) The installation progress window will show.



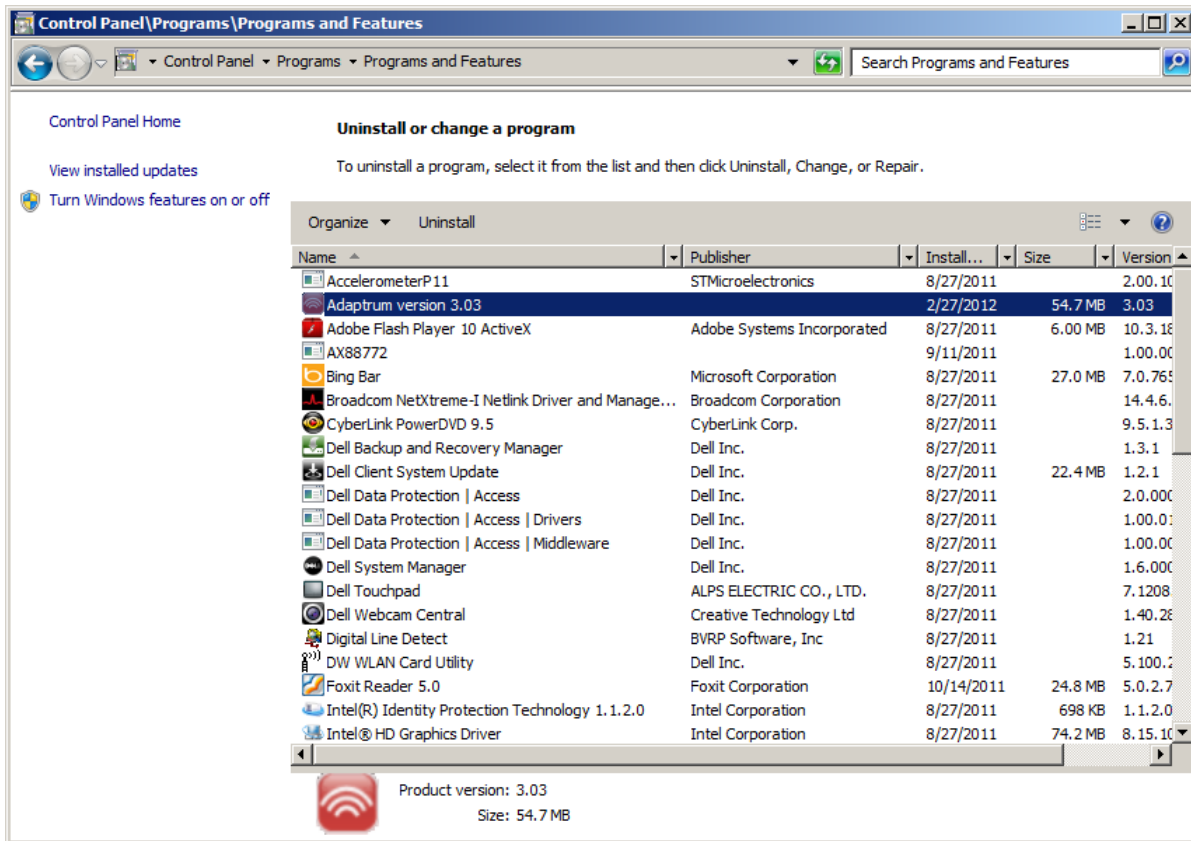
6) Once the installation is complete, click “Finish”.



The software installation on the client station follows the same steps except the default “Start Menu” folder for the client station is “AdaptrumClient”.

If an installed radio unit and control PC are redeployed at a differently location, the installer must uninstall the old software and reinstall the software on the control PC.

To uninstall the software, Use “Start” → “Control Panel” → “Uninstall a program” under “Programs”. The following window will show. Right click “Adaptrum version 3.03” to uninstall the program.



Post-Installation Setup

The installer needs to perform the following steps to complete the system installation.

Base Station Setup

On the base station control PC:

- 1) Launch the “Adaptrum” software in “Start/AdaptrumStation/Adaptrum”. The software will start in the “Installer” mode where the installer can enter registration information and channel list request.
- 2) As shown in the following figure, enter the correct registration information and click “Register Device” on the “Database” pane to register device. Then enter the correct channel list information and click “Reset Channel List” to request a channel list. Note that the system starts with an undefined channel, the software will prompt for channel selection. Note that the software currently works with Telcordia TV Whitespace Database.

The screenshot displays the 'Adaptrum TVBD Control Panel - Base' software interface. The 'Database' tab is active, showing three main sections: 'Registration', 'Channel Request', and 'Device & Channel'.

Registration Section:

- Device Information:** DEV_ID: A2UACRS10, DEV_SN: U0003, DEV_MODE: F, LAT: 37.3867104, LNG: -121.927122, Height: 8.
- Contact:** First Name: lin, Last Name: sun, Addr1: 25 E. Trimble Road, Addr2: , City: san jose, State: CA, Zip Code: 95131, Country: US, Email: lin@adaptrum.com, Work Phone: 408-850-0545, Mobile Phone: 408-850-0545.
- Registrant:** First Name: lin, Last Name: sun, Addr1: 25 E. Trimble Road, Addr2: , City: san jose, State: CA, Zip Code: 95131, Country: US, Email: lin@adaptrum.com, Work Phone: 408-850-0545, Mobile Phone: 408-850-0545.

Channel Request Section:

- Device Information:** Same as above.
- Other Information:** Select From Available DB Channels (dropdown), Update Interval: , WS Channels: 2, 23.

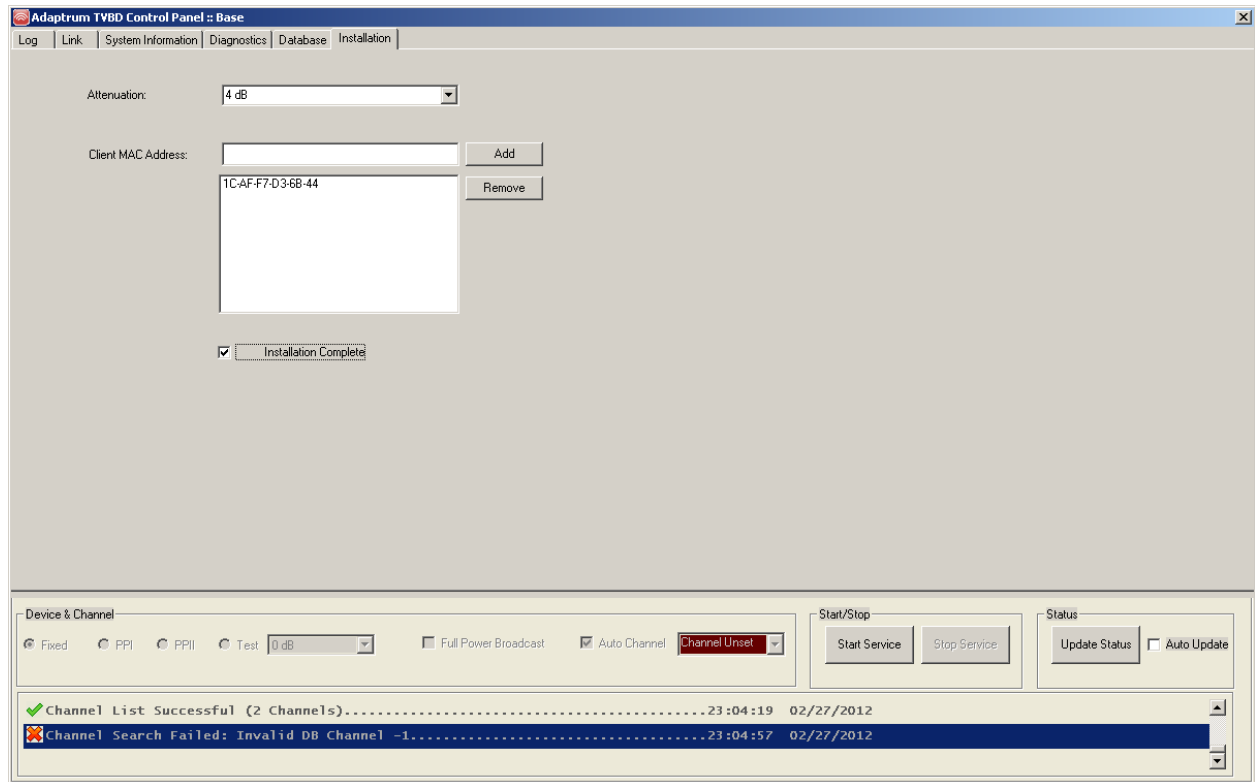
Device & Channel Section:

- Fixed, PPI, PPII, Test, 0 dB, Full Power Broadcast, Auto Channel, Channel Unset.
- Start/Stop: Start Service, Stop Service.
- Status: Update Status, Auto Update.

Log:

- Base Device Channel List23:04:19 02/27/2012
- Channel List Successful (2 Channels).....23:04:19 02/27/2012

- 3) Go to the “Installation” pane and enter the correct output attenuation level as discussed in Section “Hardware Installation” and enter the client side MAC addresses as shown in the following figure. All devices that will connect to the client station should be entered.



- 4) Check the “Installation Complete” checkbox as shown above. This will save all the installation information including: device registration information, channel list information, output attenuation level and client MAC addresses, to the system registry. The next time the software will launch in the “User” mode where all the installation options will be loaded directly from the system registry and cannot be altered.
- 5) Restart the software and it should launch in the “User” mode as shown in the following figures where the installation options are loaded from system registry and disabled.

Adaptrum TVBD Control Panel :: Base

Log | Link | System Information | Diagnostics | Database | Installation

Registration

Device Information DEV_ID: A2UACRS10 DEV_SN: U0003 DEV_MODE: F LAT: 37.3867104 LNG: -121.927122 Height: 8	Contact First Name: lin Last Name: sun Addr1: 25 E. Trimble Road Addr2: City: san jose State: CA Zip Code: 95131 Country: US Email: lin@adaptrum.com Work Phone: 408-850-0545 Mobile Phone: 408-850-0545	Registrant First Name: lin Last Name: sun Addr1: 25 E. Trimble Road Addr2: City: san jose State: CA Zip Code: 95131 Country: US Email: lin@adaptrum.com Work Phone: 408-850-0545 Mobile Phone: 408-850-0545
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Register Device

Channel Request

Device Information DEV_ID: A2UACRS10 DEV_SN: U0003 DEV_MODE: F LAT: 37.3867104 LNG: -121.927122 Height: 8	Other Information: Update Interval: 300 seconds	Database: prism.telcordia.com/tvws/ddi/ddi WS Channels: 2, 23
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Reset Channel Request

Device & Channel

Fixed PPI PPII Test 0 dB Full Power Broadcast Auto Channel CH 23 (527 MHz)

Start/Stop: Start Service Stop Service

Status: Update Status Auto Update

Channel Search Failed: Invalid DB Channel -1.....23:08:49 02/27/2012

Channel Search Successful: Valid DB Channel 23.....23:09:20 02/27/2012

Adaptrum TVBD Control Panel :: Base

Log | Link | System Information | Diagnostics | Database | Installation

Attenuation: 4 dB

Client MAC Address: 1C-AF-F7-D3-6B-44

Add Remove

Installation Complete

Device & Channel

Fixed PPI PPII Test 0 dB Full Power Broadcast Auto Channel CH 23 (527 MHz)

Start/Stop: Start Service Stop Service

Status: Update Status Auto Update

Channel Search Failed: Invalid DB Channel -1.....23:08:49 02/27/2012

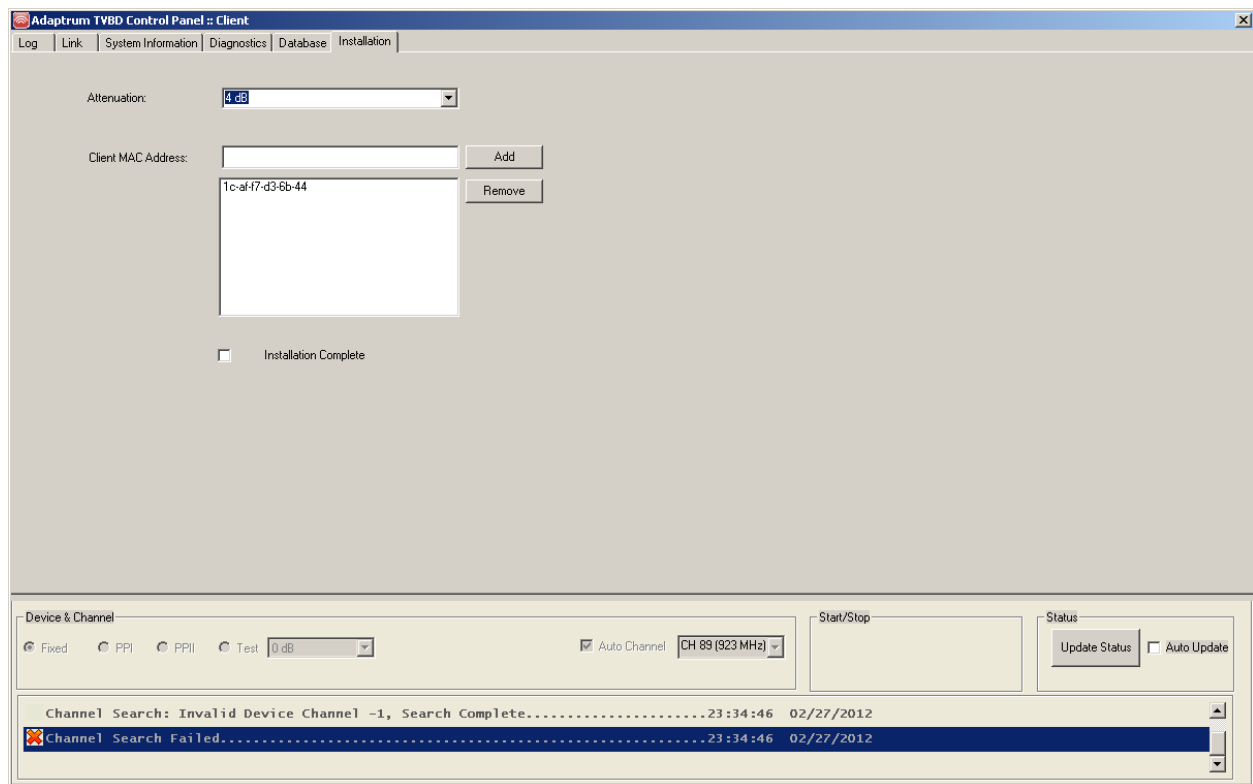
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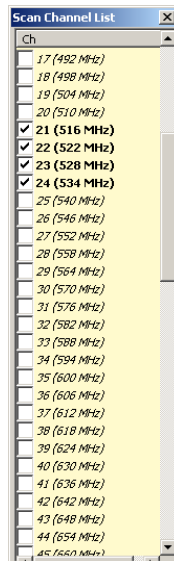
- 6) Follow the instructions in the “ACRS 1.0 User Manual” to select a channel for base station operation.

Client Station Setup

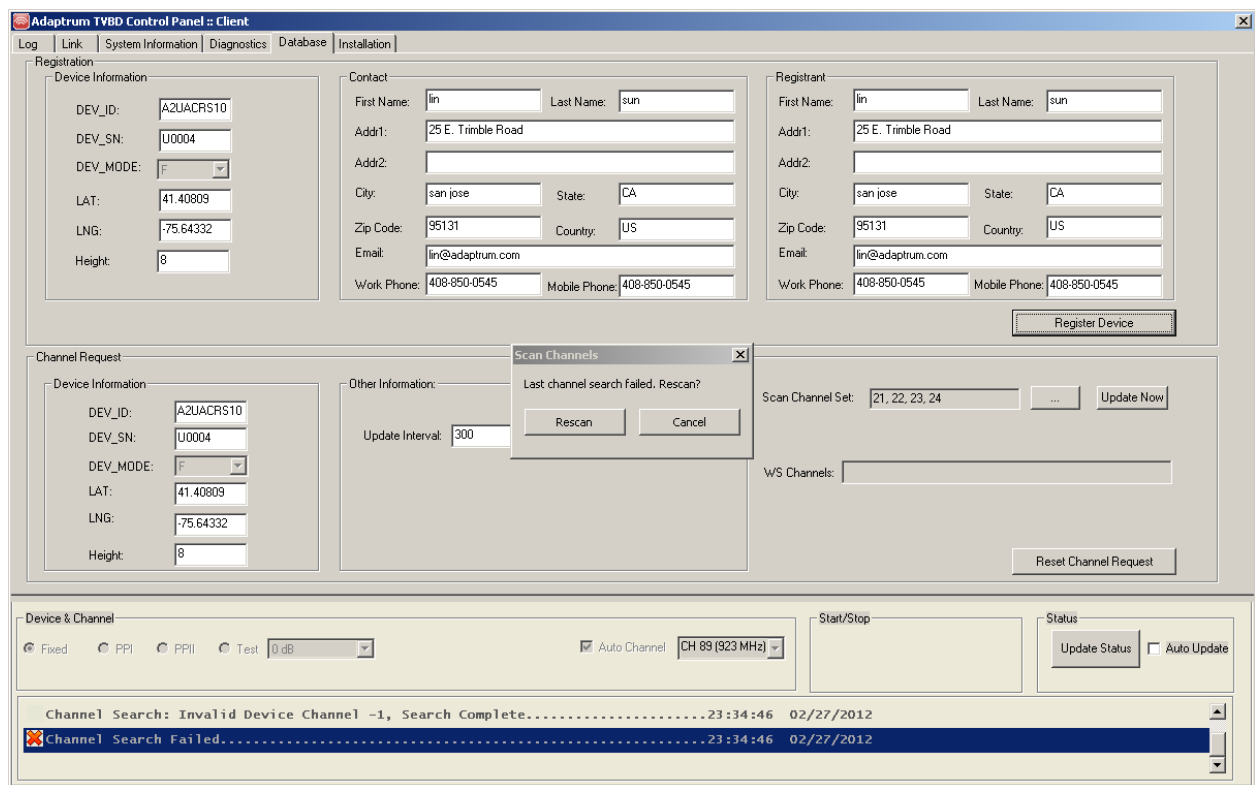
The following steps should be followed on the client station to complete the installation. Note that the following steps require an active connection to the base station.

- 1) Launch the “Adaptrum” software in the “Start/AdaptrumClient/Adaptrum”. The software will start in “Installer” mode where the installer can enter registration information and channel list request.
- 2) Go to the “Installation” pane and enter the correct output attenuation level as discussed previously and enter the client side MAC addresses as shown in the following figure. All devices that will connect to the client station should be entered.





- Go to the “Database” pane and enter the scan channel set using the “...” button right next to “Scan Channel Set” as shown in the following figure. When “...” button is clicked, the scan channel selection window will pop up as shown above. Select the desired channels and then click “Update Now” to update the scan channel set. Click “Rescan” button on the “Scan Channels” prompt to scan the channels.



- 4) The scan should be in progress. When signal is detected on a particular channel, the system will alert the installer as shown in the following figure, i.e. “Channel Search: CVS Found @ Channel 23...”

The screenshot displays the 'Adaptrum TVBD Control Panel - Client' window. The interface is divided into several sections:

- Registration:** Contains three main input areas: 'Device Information' (DEV_ID: A2UACRS10, DEV_SN: U0004, DEV_MODE: F, LAT: 41.40809, LNG: -75.64332, Height: 8), 'Contact' (First Name: lin, Last Name: sun, Address: 25 E. Trimble Road, City: san jose, State: CA, Zip Code: 95131, Country: US, Email: lin@adaptrum.com, Work Phone: 408-850-0545, Mobile Phone: 408-850-0545), and 'Registrant' (identical fields to Contact). A 'Register Device' button is located at the bottom right of this section.
- Channel Request:** Contains 'Device Information' (same as above), 'Other Information' (Update Interval: 300 seconds), 'Scan Channel Set' (21, 22, 23, 24), and 'WS Channels' (empty). An 'Update Now' button is next to the Scan Channel Set, and a 'Reset Channel Request' button is at the bottom right.
- Device & Channel:** Includes radio buttons for 'Fixed', 'PPI', 'PPII', and 'Test' (selected). A dropdown menu shows '0 dB'. A checkbox for 'Auto Channel' is checked, with a dropdown showing 'CH 23 (527 MHz)'. There are 'Start/Stop' and 'Status' buttons, with an 'Auto Update' checkbox.
- Log:** A scrollable area at the bottom showing system messages. The latest message is 'Channel Search: CVS Found @ Channel 23 => Manual Reg, Channel List Possible.....23:41:11 02/27/2012'.

- 5) At this point, enter the correct registration information and click “Register Device” to register the device. Then enter the correct channel list request information and click “Reset Channel Request” to request a channel list. The following figure shows registration and channel list successful.

Adaptrum TVBD Control Panel - Client

Log | Link | System Information | Diagnostics | Database | Installation

Registration

Device Information DEV_ID: A2UACRS10 DEV_SN: U0004 DEV_MODE: F LAT: 41.40809 LNG: -75.64332 Height: 8	Contact First Name: lin Last Name: sun Addr1: 25 E. Trimble Road Addr2: City: san jose State: CA Zip Code: 95131 Country: US Email: lin@adaptrum.com Work Phone: 408-850-0545 Mobile Phone: 408-850-0545	Registrant First Name: lin Last Name: sun Addr1: 25 E. Trimble Road Addr2: City: san jose State: CA Zip Code: 95131 Country: US Email: lin@adaptrum.com Work Phone: 408-850-0545 Mobile Phone: 408-850-0545
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Register Device

Channel Request

Device Information DEV_ID: A2UACRS10 DEV_SN: U0004 DEV_MODE: F LAT: 41.40809 LNG: -75.64332 Height: 8	Other Information: Update Interval: 300 seconds	Scan Channel Set: 21, 22, 23, 24 Update Now WS Channels: 2,5,6,16,17,19,20,21,26,27,29,35,39 Reset Channel Request
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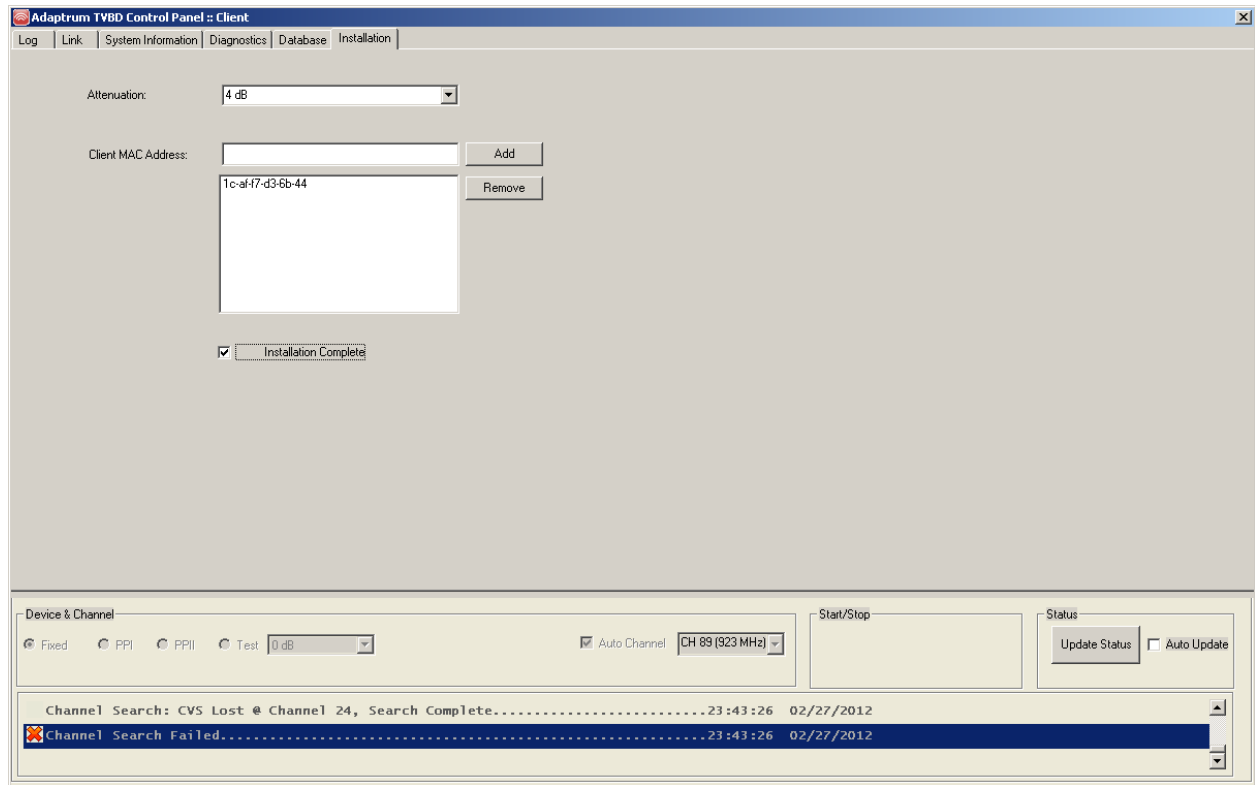
Device & Channel

Fixed PPI PPII Test 0 dB Auto Channel CH 23 (527 MHz) Start/Stop Status Update Status Auto Update

Client Channel List Sent.....23:42:38 02/27/2012

Channel List Successful (13 Channels).....23:42:39 02/27/2012

- 6) Base on the channel list in the area, select a set of scan channels as described before. Note that the scan channel list usually contains at least the database channel list and possibly other channels that may be used by the base station.
- 7) Go to the "Installation" pane and check the "Installation Complete" checkbox and quit the software. This will save device registration information, channel list information, scan channel list, output attenuation level and client MAC addresses to the system registry.



- 8) The next time the software will launch in the “User” mode where these installation options will be loaded from system registry and cannot be altered as shown in the following figures. Note that however in the “User” mode, the user may choose a different scan channel set.

Adaptrum TVBD Control Panel :: Client

Log | Link | System Information | Diagnostics | Database | **Installation**

Attenuation: 4 dB

Client MAC Address: Add
1c-af-77-d3-6b-44 Remove

☒ Installation Complete

Scan Channels
Last channel search failed. Rescan?
Rescan Cancel

Device & Channel
Fixed PPI PPII Test 0 dB ☒ Auto Channel CH 89 (923 MHz) Start/Stop Status Update Status Auto Update

Channel Search: Invalid Device Channel 89, Search Complete.....23:46:22 02/27/2012
Channel Search Failed.....23:46:22 02/27/2012

Adaptrum TVBD Control Panel :: Client

Log | Link | System Information | Diagnostics | Database | **Installation**

Registration

Device Information
DEV_ID: A2UACRS10
DEV_SN: U0004
DEV_MODE: F
LAT: 41.40809
LNG: -75.64332
Height: 8

Contact
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Registrant
First Name: lin Last Name: sun
Addr1: 25 E. Trimble Road
Addr2:
City: san jose State: CA
Zip Code: 95131 Country: US
Email: lin@adaptrum.com
Work Phone: 408-850-0545 Mobile Phone: 408-850-0545

Register Device

Channel Request

Device Information
DEV_ID: A2UACRS10
DEV_SN: U0004
DEV_MODE: F
LAT: 41.40809
LNG: -75.64332
Height: 8

Other Information:
Update Interval: 300

Scan Channels
Last channel search failed. Rescan?
Rescan Cancel

Scan Channel Set: 21, 22, 23, 24 Update Now
WS Channels:

Reset Channel Request

Device & Channel
Fixed PPI PPII Test 0 dB ☒ Auto Channel CH 89 (923 MHz) Start/Stop Status Update Status Auto Update

Channel Search: Invalid Device Channel 89, Search Complete.....23:46:22 02/27/2012
Channel Search Failed.....23:46:22 02/27/2012

The above concludes the base station and client station installation by a professional installer. Please refer to “ACRS 1.0 User Manual” for detailed discussion on system operation post installation.