

Introduction to DMR

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Today's Session – DMR

- What Is DMR
- How Does It Work
- Configuration
- Amateur Radio Use

What Is DMR

What Is DMR

- **Digital Mobile Radio**
- **Standard Defined by European Telecommunications Standards Institute**
 - **Digital System**
 - Improved Audio Quality
 - Improved Battery Performance
 - Better Range
 - **Open Standard**
 - **Low Complexity / Low Cost**

What is DMR - Continued

- **DMR Association**
 - AnyTone
 - EF Johnson
 - ICOM
 - Kenwood
 - Motorola
 - NOT Yaesu

How Does It Work

How Does It Work

- Tiers

- Tier I

- Non-Professional
 - Europe Only
 - License Free
 - 446 MHz
 - 12.5 kHz (Narrow FM)
 - Low Power (0.5W)

How Does It Work - Continued

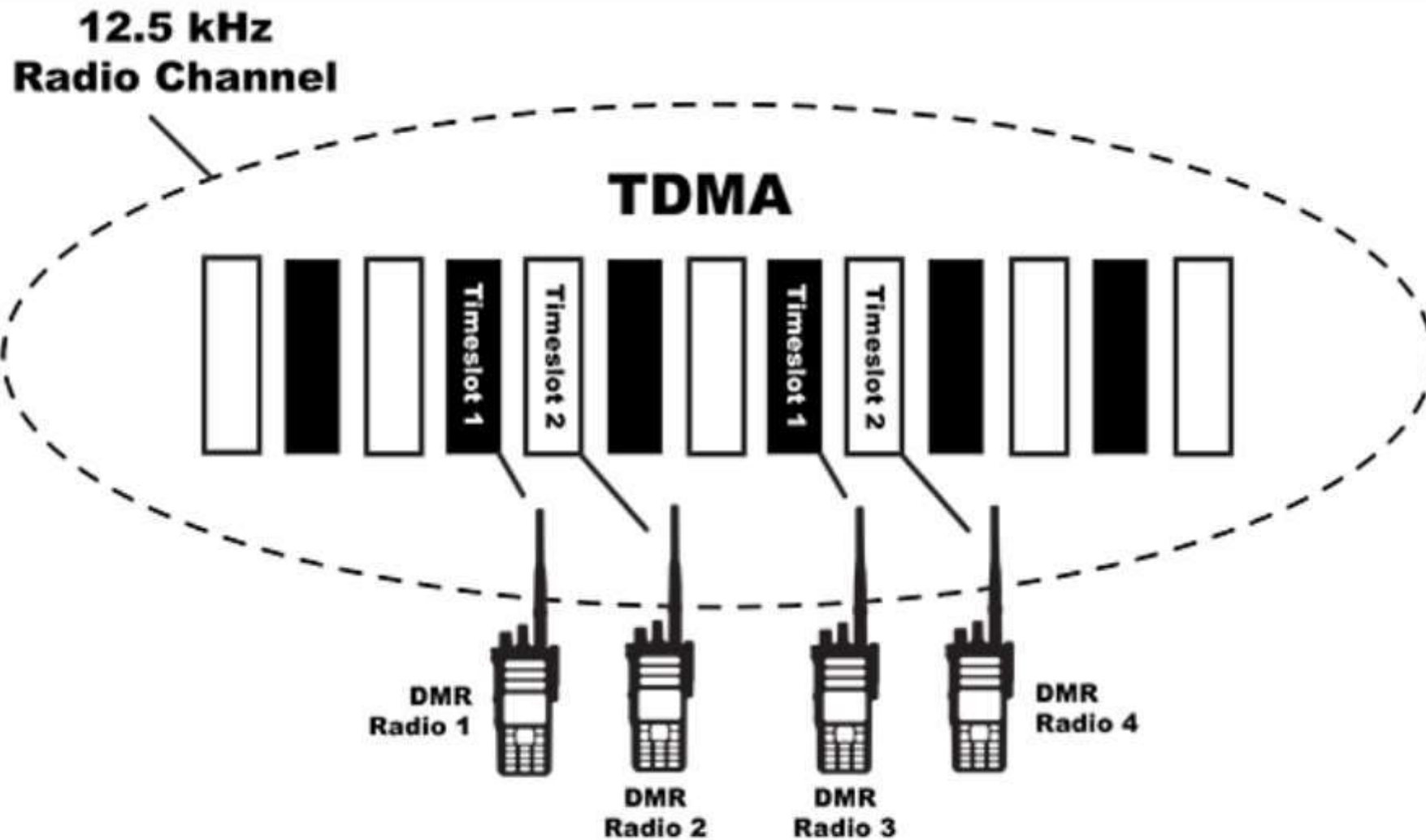
- Tier II
 - Professional
 - Licensed
 - 66 MHz to 960 MHz
 - 2-Slot TDMA (6.25 kHz each)
 - 2 x Simplex
 - 1 x Duplex

How Does It Work - Continued

- Tier III
 - Professional
 - Trunking
 - Text Messaging
 - Packet
 - IPv4 & IPv6

How Does It Work - Continued

- **TDMA**
 - Time Division Multiple Access
 - 2 Time Slots
 - 6.25 kHz Each
 - 30ms
- **Compression**
 - AMBE+2 CODEC
- **Talk Groups**
 - Virtual Channels



In the above graphic the 12.5 kHz Bandwidth of a channel is subdivided into 2 TS's. DMR Radio one and three use TS1 and DMR Radio two and four are using TS2 simultaneous on one channel frequency without disturbing each other.

DEMO



Demo

- **Common**
 - Frequency 146.400MHz
 - Color Code 1
 - Mode Simplex
- **Time Slot 1**
 - Talk Group 101
 - Talk Group 102
- **Time Slot 2**
 - Talk Group 201
 - Talk Group 202

Configuration

Configuration

- **CPS**
 - **Customer Program Software**
 - **Old Motorola Term**
- **Code Plug**
 - **Configuration file**
 - **Old Motorola Term**

Configuration - Continued

- **DMR Number**
 - Unique User ID
 - radioid.net
- **Channel**
 - Memory Location
- **Frequency**
 - Simplex / Repeater
 - Power

Configuration - Continued

- **Talk Group**
 - Virtual Channel / Room
- **Color Code**
 - 1 to 16
 - Similar to PL Tone (Sort of)
- **Time Slot**
 - 1 or 2
- **Zone**
 - Grouping of Channels

Configuration - Continued

- **Contact List**

- **List of All DMR Users**

- **DMR #**
 - **Name**
 - **Callsign**
 - **City**
 - **State**
 - **Country**

- **Updated Daily**

- **Currently Over 200,000 Entries**

- **234,313 as of 03/03/2023**
 - **AnyTone AT D878UVII Plus Supports 500,000 Contacts**

Configuration - Continued

- **Configuration Sequence**

1. **Obtain and Configure DMR ID**

1. <https://www.radioid.net/>

2. **Download Contact List**

- <http://www.dmrcontacts.com>

3. **Identify Repeater or Hotspot**

- <https://www.repeaterbook.com/>

4. **Define Talk Groups**

- Numerical ID

- Text Name

- <https://brandmeister.network/?page=talkgroups>

Configuration - Continued

5. Create Channel

- Select Number
- Assign Name
- Select DMR ID
- Assign Frequency
 - Transmit
 - Receive
 - Bandwidth
 - Power
 - DMR Mode (Simplex/Repeater)
 - TX Permit (Channel Free)
- Assign Talk Group
- Assign Color Code
 - Agreed Upon with Other Users
- Assign Time Slot
 - Agreed Upon with Other Users

Configuration - Continued

6. Create Zone
7. Add Channels to Zones
8. Configure Features
9. Upload Code Plug
10. Upload Contact List

Amateur Radio Usage

Amateur Radio Usage

- FCC Approved 2014
- Coordinated DMR ID (RadioID)
- Repeaters

Amateur Radio Usage - Continued

- **Settings**
 - **Frequency**
 - **Transmit**
 - **Receive**
 - **Time Slot**
 - **Color Code**
 - **Network**
- **RepeaterBook**

Hoboken, NJ

K2XDX

Repeater ID: 34-9151

Downlink: 446.52500

Uplink: 441.52500^a

Offset: -5.0 MHz^b

DMR Enabled

Color Code: 8

DMR ID: [313439](#)

County: Hudson

Call: [K2XDX](#)

Use: OPEN

Op Status: + On-Air

Sponsor: Hoboken CERT team

Features: TS1 is private TS2 is linked to Brandmeister.

Notes: Time slot 1 talk group 313439 is private. All brandmeister traffic should use Time slot 2. TS2 is open.

Web links: [K2XDX Repeater System on Facebook](#)

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Amateur Radio Usage - Continued

- **Hotspots**
 - **Raspberry Pi (Computer)**
 - Pi Zero W
 - Pi 3 B
 - **MMDVM (Radio)**
 - **Pi-Star (Software)**



Raspberry Pi Zero



Raspberry Pi 3

Pi-Star Digital Voice Dashboard for W2LJR

Dashboard | Admin | Configuration

Modes Enabled	
D-Star	DMR
YSF	P25
YSF XMode	NXDN
DMR XMode	POCSAG

Network Status	
D-Star Net	DMR Net
YSF Net	P25 Net
YSF2DMR	NXDN Net
YSF2NXDN	YSF2P25
DMR2NXDN	DMR2YSF

Radio Info	
Trx	Listening
Tx	446.525000 MHz
Rx	446.525000 MHz
FW	HS_Hat:v1.4.17
TCXO	14.7456 MHz

DMR Repeater	
DMR ID	3186225
DMR CC	1
TS1	disabled
TS2	enabled
DMR Master	
BM 3104 United St..	

Gateway Activity									
Time (EST)	Mode	Callsign	Target	Src	Dur(s)	Loss	BER		
12:08:52 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	W2LJR (GPS)	TG 319	RF	4.7	0%	0.3%		
12:08:37 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	K2LJR (GPS)	TG 319	RF	4.0	0%	0.2%		
11:16:57 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	NE7BO (GPS)	TG 318	Net	2.6	2%	0.0%		
09:42:02 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	ER1CW (GPS)	TG 91	Net	1.2	0%	0.0%		
09:41:45 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	HJ5ZQM (GPS)	TG 91	Net	3.0	8%	0.4%		
09:41:25 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	PS8AJR (GPS)	TG 91	Net	0.8	0%	0.0%		
09:41:21 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	HB3YPG (GPS)	TG 91	Net	0.5	0%	0.0%		
09:40:56 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	PD4BLM (GPS)	TG 91	Net	0.8	0%	0.0%		
09:40:28 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	YD3CII (GPS)	TG 91	Net	0.8	0%	0.0%		
09:39:24 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	N0BPM (GPS)	TG 91	Net	0.5	0%	0.0%		
09:38:45 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	F0FPZ (GPS)	TG 91	Net	2.6	0%	12.2%		
09:38:33 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	TA2NOR (GPS)	TG 91	Net	2.3	0%	0.0%		
09:37:36 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	BG0DLR (GPS)	TG 91	Net	2.0	54%	3.6%		
09:37:27 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	KB5BUN (GPS)	TG 91	Net	0.8	0%	0.7%		
09:36:07 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	DL6FK (GPS)	TG 91	Net	0.5	0%	0.0%		
09:35:45 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	N6PC (GPS)	TG 91	Net	0.5	0%	0.0%		
09:34:19 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	YD6VXO (GPS)	TG 91	Net	13.1	4%	0.1%		
09:33:44 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	YD5NPC (GPS)	TG 91	Net	0.5	0%	5.3%		
09:33:33 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	DS5KZB (GPS)	TG 91	Net	0.5	0%	0.0%		
09:33:25 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	KK7GUR (GPS)	TG 91	Net	0.5	0%	0.0%		

Local RF Activity								
Time (EST)	Mode	Callsign	Target	Src	Dur(s)	BER	RSSI	
12:08:52 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	W2LJR (GPS)	TG 319	RF	4.7	0.3%	S9+46dB (-47 dBm)	
12:08:37 Dec 23rd	DMR TS2	K2LJR (GPS)	TG 319	RF	4.0	0.2%	S9+46dB (-47 dBm)	

General Configuration

Setting	Value
Hostname:	pi-star <small>Do not add suffixes such as .local</small>
Node Callsign:	W2LJR
CCS7/DMR ID:	3186225
Radio Frequency:	446.525.000 MHz
Latitude:	39.7292 <small>degrees (positive value for North, negative for South)</small>
Longitude:	-75.0688 <small>degrees (positive value for East, negative for West)</small>
Town:	Sewell, NJ
Country:	USA
URL:	https://www.qrz.com/db/W2LJR <input checked="" type="radio"/> Auto <input type="radio"/> Manual
Radio/Modem Type:	STM32-DVM / MMDVM_HS - Raspberry Pi Hat (GPIO) ▾
Node Type:	<input type="radio"/> Private <input checked="" type="radio"/> Public
DMR Access List:	3186225,3196243
APRS Host Enable:	<input type="checkbox"/>
APRS Host:	noam.aprs2.net ▾
System Time Zone:	America/New_York ▾
Dashboard Language:	english_us ▾

Apply Changes

DMR Configuration

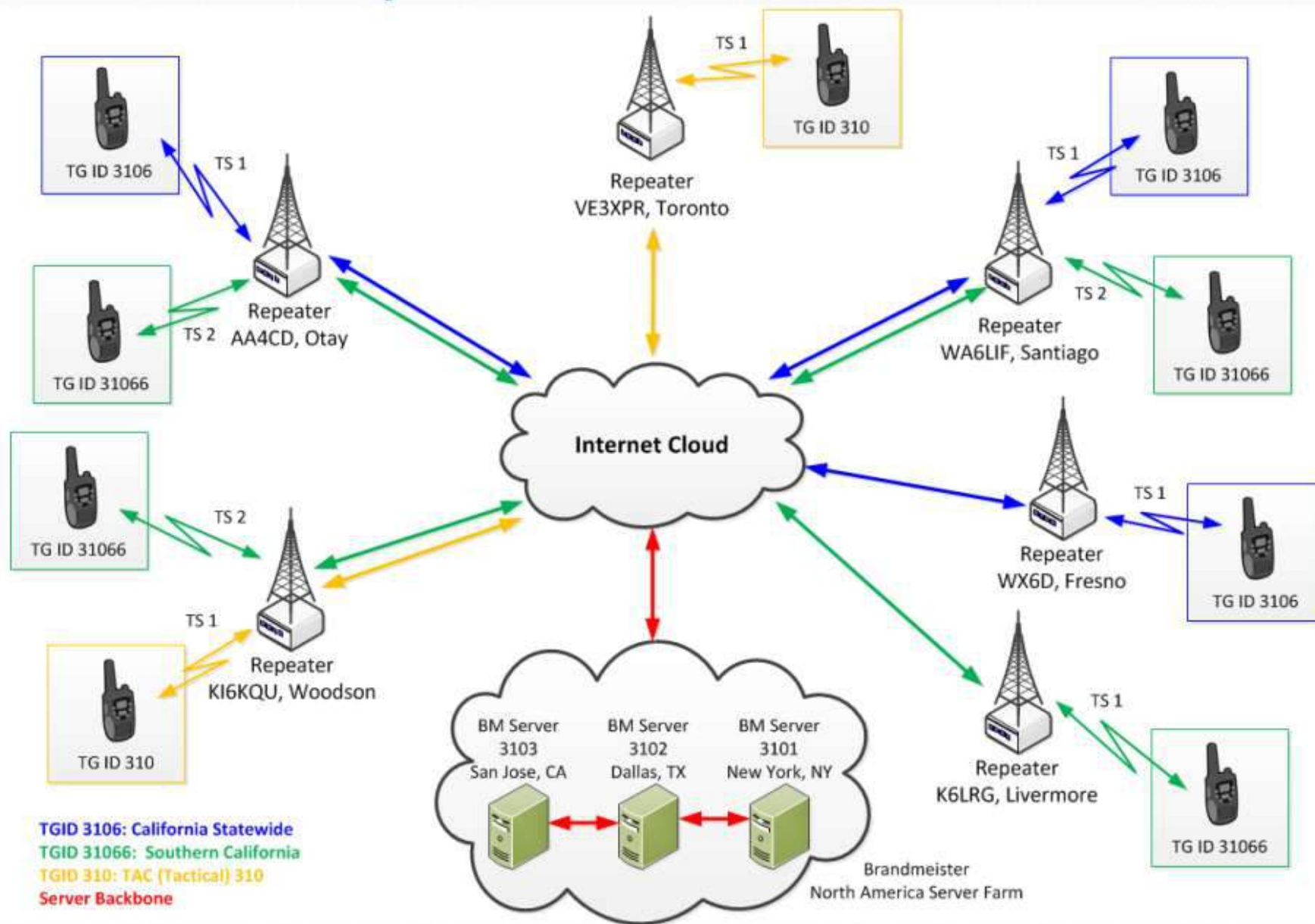
Setting	Value
DMR Master:	BM_3104_United_States ▾
Hotspot Security:	*****
BrandMeister Network:	Device Information Edit Device (BrandMeister Selfcare)
DMR ESSID:	3186225 None ▾
DMR Color Code:	1 ▾
DMR EmbeddedLCOnly:	<input type="checkbox"/>
DMR DumpTADData:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Apply Changes

Amateur Radio Usage - Continued

- Networks
 - Brandmeister
 - Hose
 - TGIF

Talk Groups in the DMR world



Questions?

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