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### ABSTRACT

An algorithm for predicting the Maximum Usable Frequency between two points on the surface of the earth for High Frequency communications is implemented on a TI-59 hand-held programmable calculator.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

An alsorithm for predicting the Maximum Usable Frequency (MUF) in the High Frequency radio band has been developed at the Naval Ocean Systems Center, San Diego, California, by R.B. Rose and J.N. Martin [1], and has been implemented in both FORTRAN IV and BASIC computer languages under the name MINIMUF-3.5. The alsorithm has been incorporated into the CLASSIC PROFHET propagation analysis system, and has been demonstrated to provide a field-deployable capability for computing HF propagation paths with micro-computer resources.

#### 2. OBJECTIVE

The essential portions of MINIMUF-3.5 are contained in approximately 80 BASIC language statements, reproduced in appendix A, which suggests a potential for being encoded in hand-held programmable calculators. H.F. Hite of Hughes Aircraft Company adapted a restricted version of MINIMUF-3.0 for the HF-67 calculator that computes MUFs for 1-hop F-layer propagation and is thus limited to station separations of 4000 kilometers or less. A complete implementation of MINIMUF, capable of 2-hop path prediction, was desired.

#### 3. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

A TI-59 calculator program was adapted directly from the Rose and Martin BASIC program listing with some logic changes required to accomodate the memory constraints of the calculator. The program listing, summary of logic changes, operating instructions, and test case are contained in appendices B, C, D, and E, respectively. The program listing is annotated with cross-references to statements in the BASIC listing for assistance in tracing logic flow. The bulk of the development task was to minimize program and data storage requirements. Several iterations finally produced the current version which requires 800 program steps and 20 data registers, the full capacity of the normally-accessible calculator attributes.

#### 4. PERFORMANCE

The TI-59 program was optimized for storage, that being the overriding constraint. Execution time for single-hop predictions is approximately 50 seconds. Were the program optimized for speed, given a larger storage capacity, execution time could conceivably approach 40 seconds. The test case contained in appendix E is the identical test case promulgated with the Rose and Martin report, and yields the same results on the TI-59. Notice, however, that the MUF limit of 32 MHz has been raised to 50 MHz, thereby providing

for HF path prediction during periods of high solar flux when customary band limitations are exceeded. The test case should be executed after initially programming the TI-59 by keystroke to ensure correct program entry. A copy of the program is available on magnetic cards by sending two blank cards to the authors, however, the user is cautioned that magnetic cards are not guaranteed to be transportable among all TI-59 calculators.

### 5. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A capability for predicting Maximum Usable Frequencies in the HF radio band can be realized with hand-held calculators, and therefore can be widely deployed in the field. An even larger capability can be realized by utilizing custom made modules for the TI-59. Each module provides for 5000 program steps in addition to the normal 960 maximum step capacity of the calculator, and could provide for additional portions of the CLASSIC PROPHET System to be included in calculator implementations, such as the D-region absorption model. Appendix F lists several persons to contact in regard to having custom modules manufactured for the TI-59.

### APPENDIX A

# BASIC MINIMUF-3.5 PROGRAM LISTING

The BASIC language listing of MINIMUF-3.5 is reprinted here with the permission of R.B. Rose, and serves as a guide for the TI-59 keystroke listing.

### MINIMUF-3.5 PROGRAM

```
1989 REM
1010 K7=SIN(L1) #SIN(L2) +COS(L1) #COS(L2) #COS(H2-H1)
1029 G1=ACS(K7 MAX -1+1.0E-5 MIN 1-1.0E-8)
1030 K6=1.59*G1
1040 K6=K6 MAX 1
1050 K5=1/K6
    J9=100
1060
1070 FOR K1=1/(2*K6) TO 1-1/(2*K6) STEP 0.9999-1/K6
1080 IF K5=1 THEN 1100
1090 K5=0.5
1100 P=SIH(L2)
    Q=COS(L2)
1110
1129 A=(SIN(L1)-P*COS(G1))/(Q*SIN(G1))
1139 B=G1*K1
1148 C=P*COS(B)+Q*SIN(B)*A
1150 D=(COS(B)-C*P)/(Q*SQR(1-C*C))
1160 D=ACS(D MAX -1+1.0E-5 MIN 1-1.0E-8)
1170 H8=H2+SGN(SIN(H1-H2))*D
1180 IF NO=>0 THEN 1200
    H8=H8+P1
1190
     IF HO<P1 THEN 1220
1200
1218 W9=W9-P1
1229 L9=P9-ACS(C MAX -1+1.0E-5 MIN 1-1.0E-8)
1238 Y1=0.0172*(10+(H0-1)*30.4+D6)-
1248 Y2=0.409*COS(Y1)
1250 K8=3.82*W0+12+0.13*(SIN(Y1)+1.2*SIN(2*Y1))
1260 K8=K8-12*(1+SGH(K8-24))*SGH(ABS(K8-24))
1270 IF COS(L0+Y2)>-0.26 THEN 1350
1289 K9=0
1298 G8=8
1300 M9=2.5*G1*K5
1310 M9=M9 MIN P0
1320 M9=SIH(M9)
1330 M9=1+2.5*M9*SQR(M9)
1340 GO TO 1590
1350 K9=(-0.26+SIN(Y2) $\frac{1}{2} \text{COS(Y2) $\frac{1}{2} \text{COS(L0)} + 1.0E-3}
1360
     K9=12-ATH(K9/SQR(ABS(1-K9*K9)))*7.63943?
1370 T=K8-K9/2+12*(1-SGH(K8-K9/2))*SGH(ABS(K8-K9/2))
1388 T4=K8+K9/2-12#(1+SGN(K8+K9/2-24))#SGN(ABS(K8+K9/2-24))
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1390 C0=ABS(COS(L0+Y2))
1400 T9=9.7*C0+9.6
1410 IF T9>0.1 THEN 1430
1420 T9=0.1
1430 M9=2.5*G1*K5
1448 M9=M9 MIN P8
1450 M9=SIH(M9)
1460 M9=1+2.5*M9*SQR(M9)
1470 IF T44T THEN 1500
1480 IF (T5-T)*(T4-T5)>0 THEN 1510
1498 GO TO 1648
1500 IF (T5-T4)*(T-T5)>0 THEN 1640
1510 T6=T5+12*(1+SGN(T-T5))*SGN(ABS(T-T5))
1529 G9=PI*(T6-T)/K9
1538 G8=PI*T9/K9
1549 U=(T-T6)/T9
1550 G0=C0*(SIN(G9)+G8*(EXP(U)-COS(G9)))/(1+G8*G8)
1568 G7=C0*(G8*(EXP(-K9/T9)+1))*EXP((K9-24)/2)/(1+G8*G8)
1570 IF G0=>G7 THEN 1590
1589 G9=G7
1590 G2=(1+S9/250)*M9*SQR(6+58*SQR(G0))
1600 G2=G2*(1-0.1*EXP((K9-24)/3))
1610 G2=G2*(1+(1-SGN(L1)*SGN(L2))*0.1)
1629 G2=G2*(1-0.1*(1+SGN(ABS(SIN(L0))-COS(L0))))
1639 GO TO 1799
1640 T6=T5+12*(1+SGN(T4-T5))*SGN(ABS(T4-T5))
1650 G8=PI*T9/K9
1668 U=(T4-T6)/2
1678 U1=-K9/T9
1680 G0=C0*(G8*(EXP(U1)+1))*EXP(U)/(1+G8*G8)
1698 GO TO 1598
1700 IF G2>J9 THEN 1720
1718 J9=G2
1729 HEXT K1
1730 J9=J9 MAX 2 MIN 32
1740 RETURN
```

### APPENDIX B

# TI-59 PROGRAM LISTING

The keystroke listing of the TI-59 program implementation of MINIMUF-3.5 follows. Segments of TI-59 code are cross-referenced to the BASIC program listing.

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### APPENDIX C

# PROGRAM LOGIC MODIFICATIONS

The following program logic changes were made to the BASIC version of MINIMUF-3.5 to minimize program storage requirements:

- (1) The computation of M9 at lines 1300-1330 and 1430-1460 is independent of the main loop and was moved to the beginning of the program, immediately following the calculation of G1 and K5.
- (2) The loop index computation at line 1070 was separated into a computation of a new variable, KHOP, which is either 1 or 2, and a follow-on computation of K1 from KHOP as the first item within the loop.
- (3) The computation of G8 at lines 1530 and 1650 is common to both less of the preceding test for (T5-T4)(T-T5), and has been moved shead of that test.
- (4) The test at line 1470 serves to reverse the sense of the following tests at lines 1480 and 1500. This logic has been combined into a single test on (T5-T4)(T-T5) with a weighting factor of 1 or -1 to reverse the sense of that test.

- (5) The computation at line 1360 was simplified to the arcsine by way of trisonometric identity.
- (6) The MUF limit established at line 1730 was changed to 50 vice 32 to accommodate high solar flux densities.
- (7) Throughout the program, explicit calculation and storage of variables that are used only once in following statements has been eliminated to conserve on data register requirements.

### APPENDIX D

# PROGRAM OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The following instructions must be followed to operate the TI-59 version of MINIMUF-3.5:

- (1) Repartition the calculator for 800 program steps and 20 data registers by pressing 2/OP/17.
- (2) Load the 4 memory banks from program cards (2) or by entering program keystrokes with the calculator in the LRN mode.
- (3) Enter input data as follows:
  - (a) Transmitter North Latitude in decimal degrees in R12 (range -90 degrees to 90 degrees)
  - (b) Transmitter West Lonstitude in decimal degrees in R13 (range 0 to 360 degrees)
  - (c) Receiver North latitude in decimal degrees in R14 (range -90 to 90 degrees)
  - (d) Receiver West Longtitude in decimal degrees in R15 (range 0 to 360 degrees)

- (e) Month in R16 (range 1 to 12)
- (f) Day in R17 (range 1 to 31)
- (s) Sunspot Number in R19 (range positive number)
- (4) Enter Time in X-resister (ranse O to 24 decimal hours)
- (5) Fress A
- (6) If a printer is attached, the input time is echoed, followed by the answer (MUF) after 50 seconds for single-hop and 100 seconds for two-hop predictions.
- (7) The answer is displayed in the X-resister when the erosram halts.
- (8) All input quantities remain undisturbed in R12 thru R19 (time is stored by the program in R18). Another MUF for a different time can be computed directly by repeating steps (4) and (5).

### APPENDIX E

# TEST CASE

The test case that follows was provided in the NOSC report on MINIMUF-3.5. The actual printer listing of input and program output is included.

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### APPENDIX F

### TI-59 CUSTOM MODULES

The following points of contact are provided for the design and manufacture of TI-59 custom modules. Both Texas Instruments and Horizons Technology (contracting with TI) provide software, emulator, and consulting support for the design and production of custom modules. Costs quoted at this time are approximately \$12,000 for a minimum order of 250 modules. This includes emulator support and manufacture, but does not include software consulting. Cost reduction through quantity is available.

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