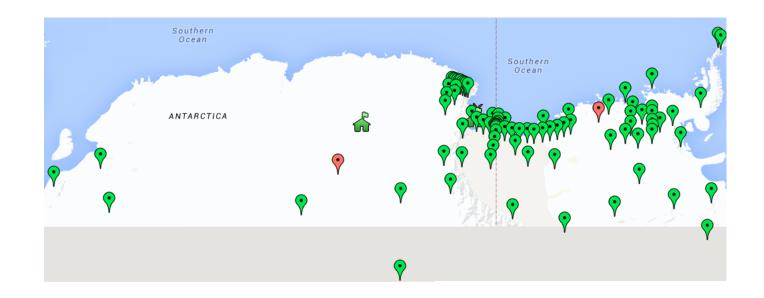


Low Power World Wide Telemetry

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Current Polar Stations with Telemetry



133 Telemetered Stations

XI-202 - 65

XI-100(b) - 68





SOH Only Telemetry

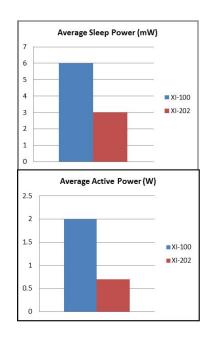
XI-202 Iridium modem

SIM-less

Low cost command & control plus SOH ~\$2000
Interfaces with the Q330 and weather stations
RT130 & Meridian integration possible
Power/logic control of external device
70 deployed in the Arctic & Antarctica



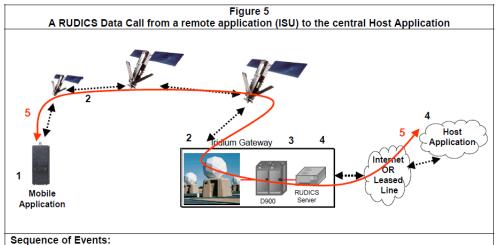








RUDICS – Router-Based Unrestricted Digital Internetworking Connectivity Solutions



- 1. Mobile application places call to a custom RUDICS Server Number
- 2. Call request is routed over the constellation for user authentication and call set-up.
- 3. Switch connects to RUDICS Server, secondary authentication conducted
- 4. RUDICS Server terminates call to pre-configured IP Address
- 5. End-to-End IP connection established, over the constellation, between the Host Application and Mobile Application

From Iridium Satellite Data Services White Paper

Single host application interfacing with many field devices

Data calls to and from a specific IP **Address**

Full two way communications (full duplex)

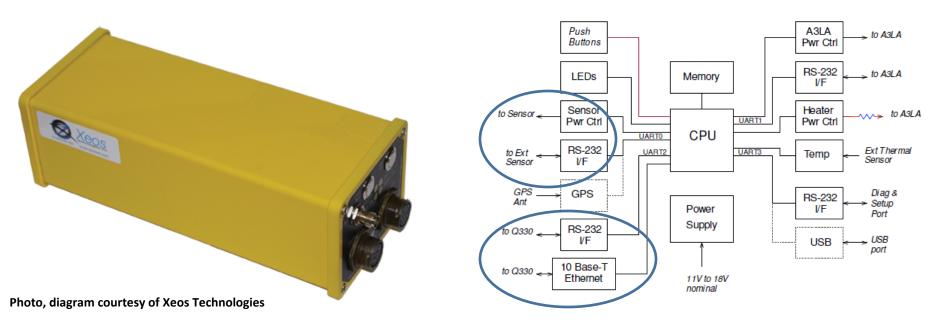
300 Bytes/s data rate allows for 1MB/ hour of real time data



RUDICS - Hardware



XI-100 Iridium terminal manufactured by Xeos Technologies Inc – IRIDIUM VAR

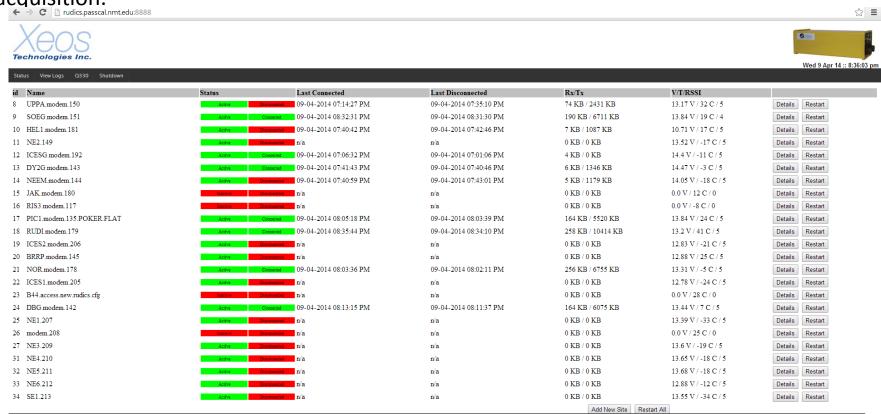


- Optimized for polar operation very low standby current (450uA), integrated heater allows for transmission of data down to -55°C.
- Can interface with datalogger via Ethernet or Serial RS-232
 - Can interface with an additional "External Sensor"
 - Provides power and transmission of data, currently supporting WX520 weather station



RUDICS - Hardware

Xeos tunnel application – provides interface between host application and field devices. Turns a remote, complex network into a LAN. Tunnel can run user scripts allowing automated data acquisition.



Modem on and transmitting data Modem standby



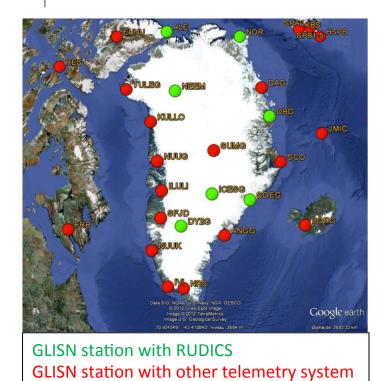
RUdics TUnnel Software (RUTUS)

- Web interface developed by Xeos Technologies Inc. to improve and ease the configuration, control and data throughput of Xeos modems.
 - Old tunnel developed as a prototype. Was slow to use, buggy and offered limited diagnostics.
- Template based configuration for SBD only and RUDICS enabled modems
- Improved data flow and efficiency
- Enhanced command and control of RUDICS including:
 - On/Off for temperature, voltage, data moved, and more!
- Logging of all incoming and outgoing messages and tunnel statistics. All data available for download and analysis
- RUTUS is an ongoing project. The concept and design is general and not specific to seismic data or PASSCAL. The hope is that other groups and facilities can make use of it.
- RUDICS use update:
 - Seven summer time RUDICS sites deployed in Greenland in the Summer of 2014
 - Eleven GLISN sites ran all year with RUDICS and 99% data recovery
 - All data is available to researchers in real time at the IRIS DMC
 - Duty cycled RUDICs development has led to significant power savings



RUDICS – In Field Use











RUDICS – Current use by PASSCAL



Current Use

- Greenland 15 stations moving up to 20MB/day
- 2. Antarctica '13-'14 2 stations moving **9MB/day**
- 3. Poker Flats, Alaska 9MB/day

Future Deployments

1. Phase into Antarctic more experiments – ~34 stations

Advantages

- In depth command and control
- 2. Real time data acquisition
- 3. SOH monitoring of devices
- 4. RUDICS can be turned on/off to conserve power

Current Problems:

- 1. Complex, inaccessible network makes troubleshooting and bug fixing difficult
 - 1. DOD black box networks can be brought down inexplicably.
- 2. Drop outs, slow link -> difficult to optimize host application

Power Consumption:

- 1. SOH and 1Hz data on three channels (in the field) 1.45W
- 2. SOH and 20Hz on three channels using latest FW (lab testing) 2W
- 3. SBD mode (in the field) 10mW



RUDICS - You can use it!

- Iridium connectivity and real time data transmission need not be complex!
- XI-100 unit currently has great functionality, and much additional functionality that needs more development.
- Unit has been designed to interface with any networked remote device not specific to seismic or geophysical instrumentation.
 - It is an Ethernet bridge of the Iridium Network
 - UNAVCO uses it with GPS receivers



New Data Telemetry

Iridium Pilot

- 134 Kbit/s listed
- Transmitting 1 to 2 hours per day to maintain 100SPS
- 18 to 31 Watts
- 3W to 4W station with power cycling telemetry
- \$6k to \$10k unit target price
- Development and integration cost, <\$20k target
- Not on DOD network
- 1,000 Mb/month \$1,500/month commercial rate
- 400Mb/month ~\$600/month commercial rate

Xeos is getting a unit

- Non-funded scoping study for feasibility study
- Determine what is needed for autonomous unit
- Work with PASSCAL engineers
 - Power requirements
 - Data throughput

Iridium NEXT

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