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# Technical Description and User Guide



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## 1 Overview

This document briefly describes the **SAF FreeMile** series **Full Outdoor Unit (FODU)** covering the built-in management system, configuration functionality, hardware features, etc.

### 1.1 SAF FreeMile Full Outdoor Units

**SAF FreeMile product family** is new next generation product line which is targeting growing demands for data transmission over microwave radio.

As a result the primary traffic interface for SAF FreeMile radio is Fast Ethernet. As SAF FreeMile is capable of providing bit rate of **up to 100Mbps**, it is a perfect addition to SAF portfolio. The excellent SAF FreeMile radio and modem performance allows achieving perfect system capacity by employing 32-decision states modulation schemes by user's choice. Apart from the **full system capacity of 100Mbps**, it is possible to configure the radio to any of 10 and 30 MHz channels as well as to any of **QPSK, 16QAM, 32QAM modulations**, thus providing various capacities to suit particular needs.

SAF Tehnika, JSC has employed most modern design solutions and components to create high performance compact radio with **low power consumption** – <15W per radio.

SAF FreeMile is a perfect building block for any modern future proof wireless network, including mobile service providers, fixed data service operators, enterprise customers, municipal and governmental networks among others.





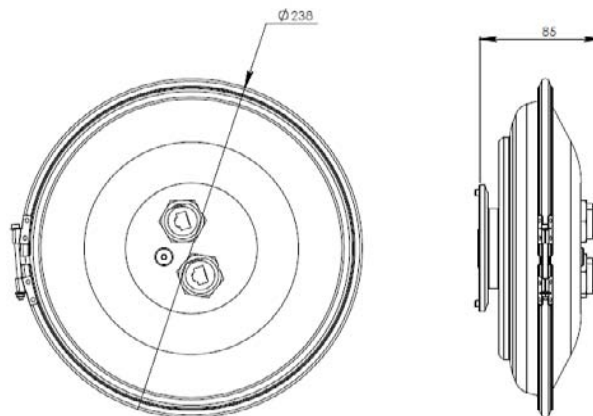
## 1.2 SAF FreeMile Feature Summary

### 1.2.1 Main Features

- Full Outdoor solution
- Capacity: up to **100 Mbps**
- Channel Bandwidth: **10 and 30 MHz**
- Modulations: **QPSK, 16QAM, 32QAM**
- Interfaces: **10/100Eth**
- Traffic: **Ethernet + 2E1**
- Frequency band: **17GHz and 24 GHz**
- Green Radio – **<15W** power consumption
- **ACM** and **ATPC** with **QoS** four priority queues
- **802.1Q VLAN** support

### 1.2.2 Mechanical Features

- Compact unit, **230x230x85mm, 2.0 kg**



*Figure 1.1: SAF FreeMile Full Outdoor Unit*

### 1.2.3 Interfaces/Management

- SAF FreeMile unit provides **2 connectors** and a RSSI LED
- **User and NMS traffic** is carried over **Ethernet cable**
- Ethernet traffic supports **QoS** and **4 priority queues**, essential for ACM use
- **User and NMS traffic** could be treated as a single data stream or separated by tagging them with different **VLAN** tags
- Web, Telnet and SNMP are available as **management** interfaces into the unit



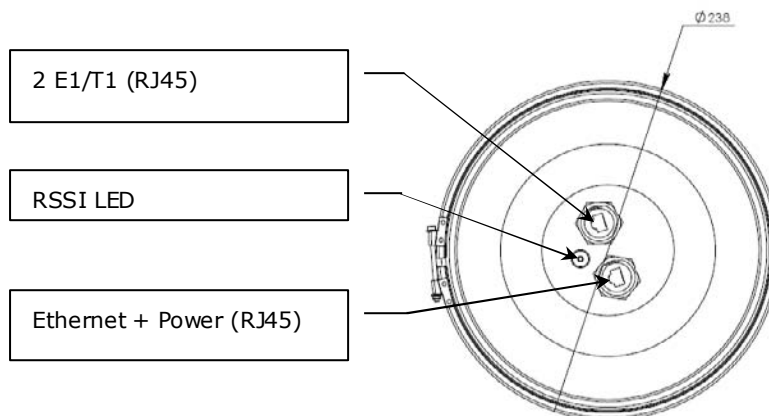


Figure 1.2: SAF FreeMile Full Outdoor Unit

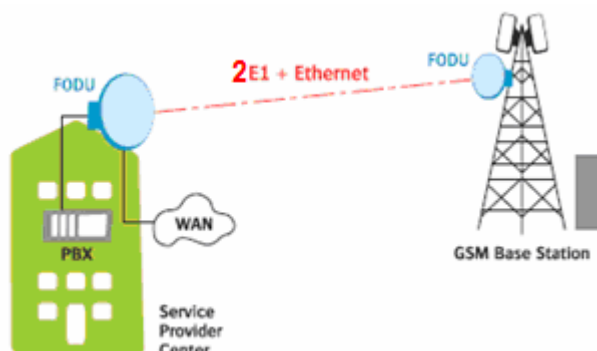
### 1.3 Radio Parameters

- SAF FreeMile is a good example of latest achievements in modem and transceiver development, providing both excellent radio parameters (System Gain), due to use of **QPSK and QAM modulations** and efficient despite it consumes small amount of power Tx/Rx part of the system.
- RSL Threshold at BER  $10^{-6}$ , 30MHz, 32QAM, 100Mbps: **-77 dBm**.
- System Gain with guaranteed max Tx power and Rx sensitivity is **62 dBm**.
- **ACM** (Adaptive Coding and Modulation), hitless ACM opens new possibilities depending on network designer's strategy.
- **ATPC**, Automatic Transmitter Power Control, for increased deployment density capability.
- **Very high flexibility** allows configuring the system to various channel bandwidths, modulation schemes and capacity settings.

### 1.4 Application Examples

#### 1.4.1 2E1 + Ethernet with SAF FreeMile FODU

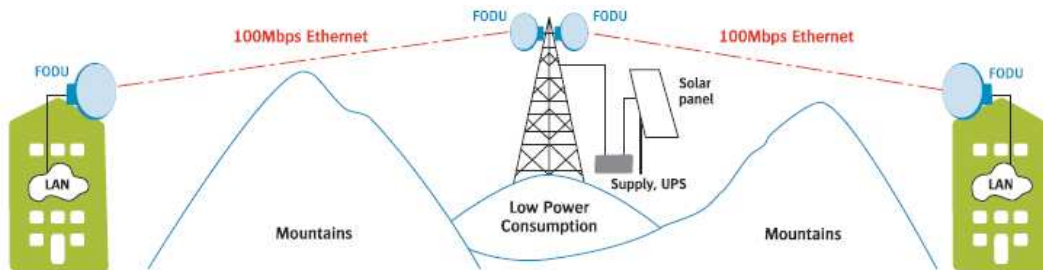
- SAF FreeMile replaces the existing low capacity E1 radio system by preserving E1 connectivity where needed and adding high capacity Ethernet channel for future use, it is perfect for overlaying GSM network with 3G/WiMax and LTE (Long Term Evolution) services;
- Suitable for transition from TDM to Ethernet based networks;
- SAF FreeMile supports SNMP protocol for NMS.





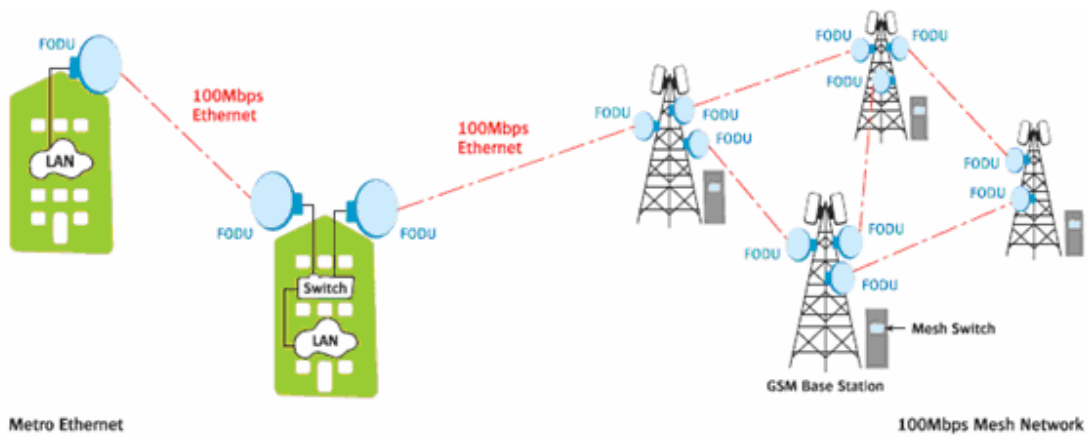
### 1.4.2 Low Power Active Repeater with SAF FreeMile FODU

- Extends network to non line-of-sight locations;
- Ideal for crossing mountains and interconnecting Ethernet networks;
- Low power consumption allows using alternative power sources like solar panel or small wind turbine with battery stand-by support for repeater sites.



### 1.4.3 Metro Ethernet and Mesh Networks with SAF FreeMile FODU

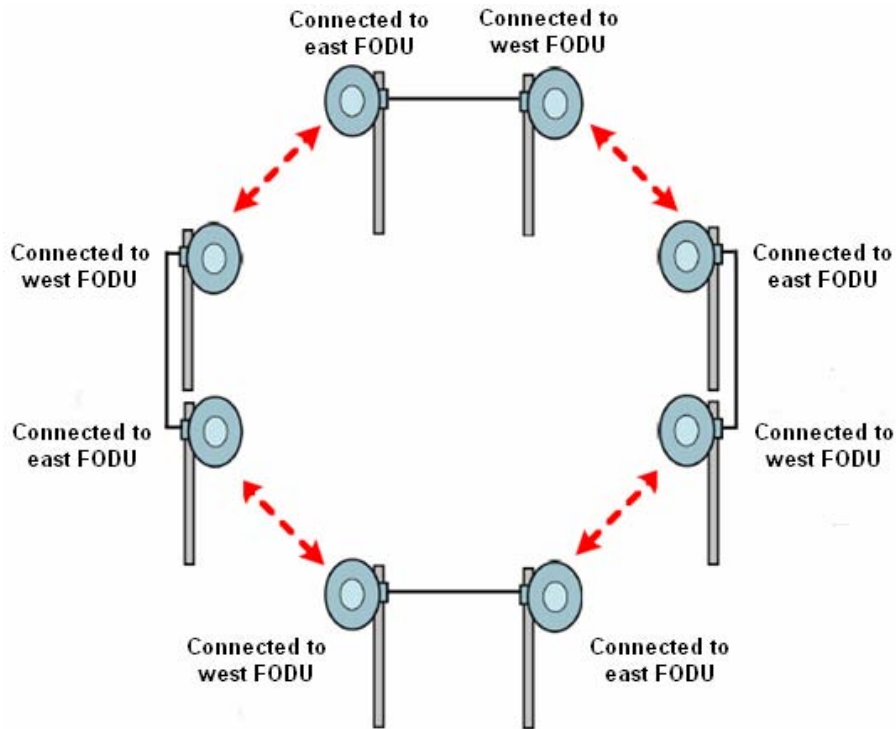
- Suitable for any 100Mbps Ethernet network topology – star, ring, mesh network;
- Full Outdoor solution with Power over Ethernet cable is efficient for All Outdoor Base station connectivity;
- Last Mile Access for demanding power user and many other applications;





#### 1.4.4 SAF FreeMile ring topology

- Utilization of STP protocol allows SAF FreeMile operation in ring topology



*Figure 1.7 SAF FreeMile implementation in ring topology*



## 1.5 Technical Specification

### SAF FreeMile TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

<b>Frequency band and range (GHz)</b>	24 (24.05 – 24.25)
<b>Duplex (Tx, Rx) offset</b>	100 MHz, cross-polar
<b>Channel bandwidth (MHz)</b>	10 / 30
<b>Modulation</b>	QPSK / 16QAM / 32QAM
<b>Capacity range</b>	From 12 Mbps to 100 Mbps Ethernet Up to 2 E1/T1

### PERFORMANCE

<b>Configuration</b>	1+0
<b>Traffic Interfaces</b>	100Mbps Fast Ethernet (RJ45) / 2xE1 (RJ45)
<b>Tx Power tuning range (dBm)</b>	-30 ... -15
<b>RSL Threshold at BER 10<sup>-6</sup>, 30MHz, 32QAM, 100Mbps (dBm)</b>	-77
<b>Adaptive Coding and Modulation (ACM)</b>	Hitless

### PORTS

<b>Antenna flange</b>	Circular, 10.3mm
<b>Ethernet with power over Ethernet cable</b>	1xRJ45 (data traffic, management port, power)
<b>Balanced 2xE1/T1</b>	1xRJ45

### MANAGEMENT FEATURES

<b>Management Port</b>	RJ45 (in-band, optional VLAN tagging)
<b>RSSI</b>	LED on FODU WEB management
<b>TCP/IP</b>	WEB, SNMP, Telnet - local and remote
<b>Monitoring</b>	Via Telnet, WEB GUI, SAF NMS, SNMP Manager
<b>Loopbacks</b>	Yes, E1, modem, RF loopback

### ETHERNET

<b>QoS</b>	64 level DiffServ (DSCP) or 8 level 802.1p mapped in 4 prioritization queues with VLAN support
<b>Max frame size</b>	1916 bytes
<b>Flow Control</b>	Yes
<b>802.1q VLAN support</b>	Up to 15 concurrent traffic VLANs
<b>Spanning Tree</b>	802.1d-1998 STP





### MECHANICAL & ELECTRICAL

<b>Stationary use</b>	Ref. ETSI EN 300 019-2-4, class 4.1E; non weather-protected locations
<b>Temperature range</b>	-33° C to +55° C
<b>Dimensions: HxWxD, mm / weight, kg</b>	230x230x85 / 2
<b>Input DC voltage</b>	48 V DC ±10%
<b>Max. power consumption</b>	<15W

### Channel plan 24/17 GHz

Nr	10MHz channels		30MHz channels	
	TX (MHz)	RX (MHz)	TX (MHz)	RX (MHz)
1	24055/17105	24155/17205		
2	24065/17115	24165/17215	24065/17115	24165/17215
3	24075/17125	24175/17225		
4	24085/17135	24185/17235		
5	24095/17145	24195/17245	24095/17145	24195/17245
6	24105/17155	24205/17255		
7	24115/17165	24215/17265		
8	24125/17175	24225/17275	24125/17175	24225/17275
9	24135/17185	24235/17285		
10	24145/17195	24245/17295		

### Capacity Modes

10MHz channel, 32QAM			30MHz channel, 32QAM		
Eth.(Mbps)	2E1(Mbps)	2T1(Mbps)	Eth.(Mbps)	2E1(Mbps)	2T1(Mbps)
26	4	-	100	4	-
27	-	3	100	-	3
40*	-	-	100	-	-
30	-	-			

\* With FEC optimized for increased capacity but higher RSL threshold.

## 1.6 Cable Requirements

### 10/100Base-T

Cat. 5e UTP or better cable is required for power supply, management of device and data traffic.

SAF FreeMile can be used with any SAF Tehnika additionally provided Power over Ethernet sourcing equipment (provided power >15 W). Used voltage is 48 V DC ± 10%, though the nominal voltage is 48 V, over two of the four available pairs on a Cat. 5e cable. It is possible to use passive injectors, utilizing spare leads. Refer to *Chapter 9* for detailed information about pinouts.

Length of Cat. 5e cable must not exceed 100 meters.





## 2 Configuration and Management

There are three ways to adjust and read settings and operation parameters of the SAF FreeMile equipment:

1. using Web terminal connected to the 10/100Base-T management port,
2. using Telnet terminal connected to the 10/100Base-T management port, or
3. using NMS or SNMP terminal, connected to the 10/100Base-T management port,

### 2.1 Resetting the SAF FreeMile

Depending on the method used, the user may reset the whole terminal or the management controller individually, see table below for details.

Reset action unplugging power source.	Restarts both the multiplexer module and the management module. Resets all management counters.
Resetting with <b>Restart CPU</b> button in Web GUI 'Configuration → System configuration' window or using command prompt command " <b>system reset</b> "	Restarts CPU of the management controller. Resets all management counters.
Resetting with command prompt command " <b>system reset cold</b> "	Restarts modem and CPU of the management controller. Resets all management counters.

### 2.2 Web interface

This section describes necessary functionalities of Web interface.

#### 2.2.1 10/100Base-T Port

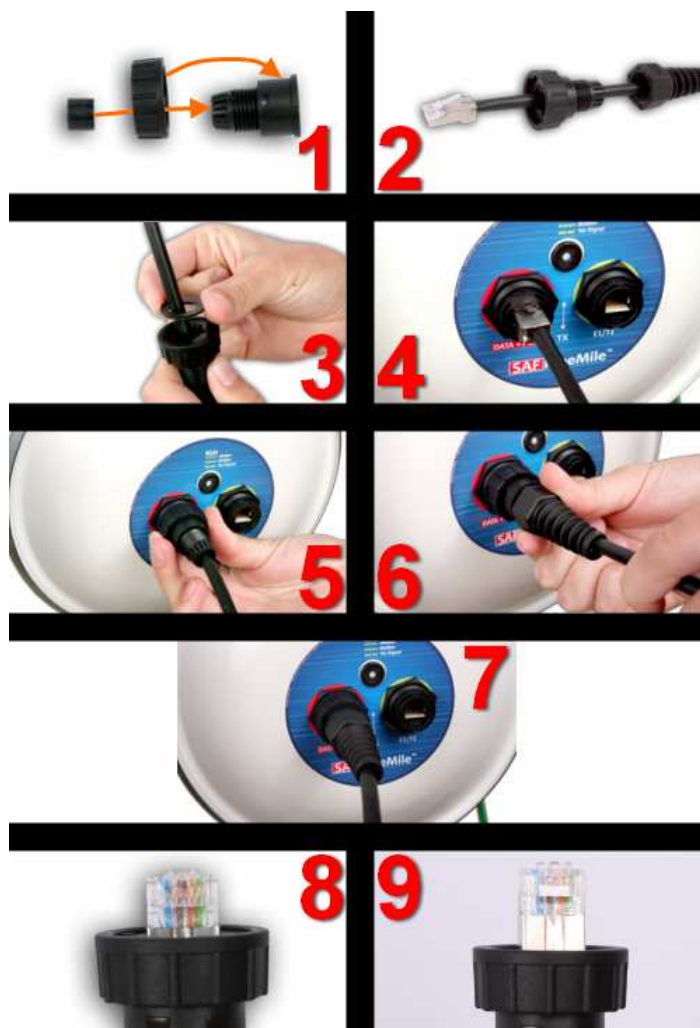
The 10/100Base-T management port is used to connect the SAF FreeMile to a PC or Ethernet network for Web, SNMP and Telnet management.

**[!]** The 10/100Base-T port cable length must not exceed 100 meters.

#### 2.2.2 Assembling the SAF FreeMile RJ45 connector

**[!]** Attention! Be aware that length of RJ45 connectors may vary! This is the reason why enclosure of weatherproof connector has room for longest possible RJ45 connector.

The following instruction shows how to assemble weatherproof connector in order to achieve the best possible fit of RJ45 connector with socket.



*Figure 2.1. Assembling Ethernet weatherproof connector*

**Fig. 2.1(1).** Put rubber sealing inside the connector as shown. Fastening screw should be placed on the front part of connector.

**Fig. 2.1(2).** Put connector parts on the cable.

**Fig. 2.1(3).** Stick the rubber gasket on the connector.

**Fig. 2.1(4).** Plug RJ45 connector into the Ethernet socket.

**Fig. 2.1(5).** Fix the connector to the socket with screw.

Note that cable sealing screw is still not fixed at this moment.

**Fig. 2.1(6).** Push the RJ45 connector into the socket by pushing the cable and at the same time seal and fix the cable using cable sealing screw.

**Fig. 2.1(7).** Assembled cable. Fix the cable to the mast as close as possible to FODU. Do not bend it! The radius of bending should not be less than 10cm.

**Fig. 2.1(8).** Example of correct positioning of RJ45 connector during weatherproof connector assembly.

**Fig. 2.1(9).** Example of incorrect position of connector – improper alignment.

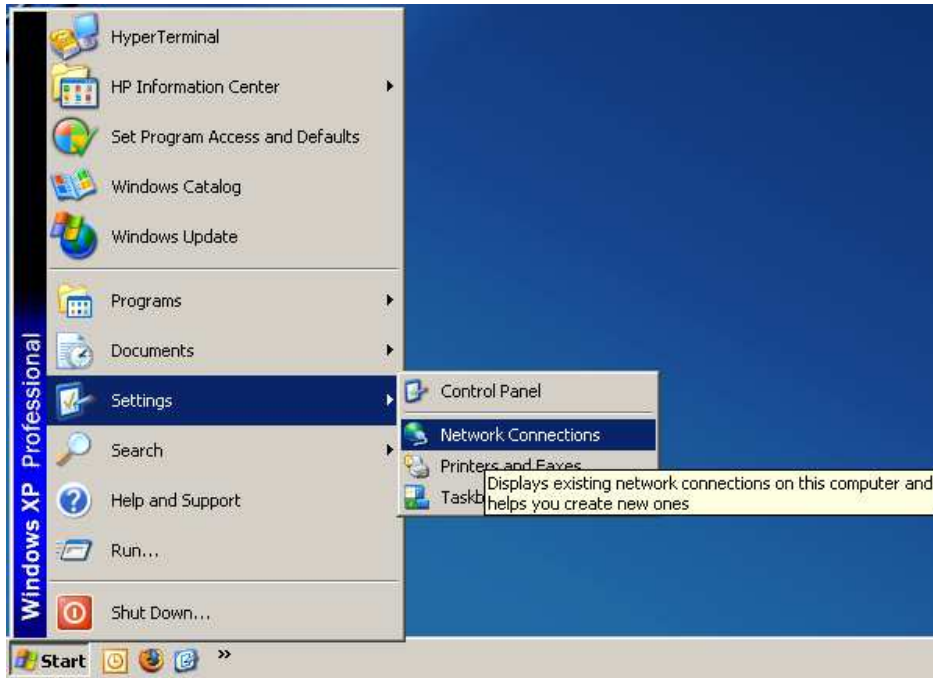
Note, that it is too deep in the connector.

### 2.2.3 Ethernet management connection configuration

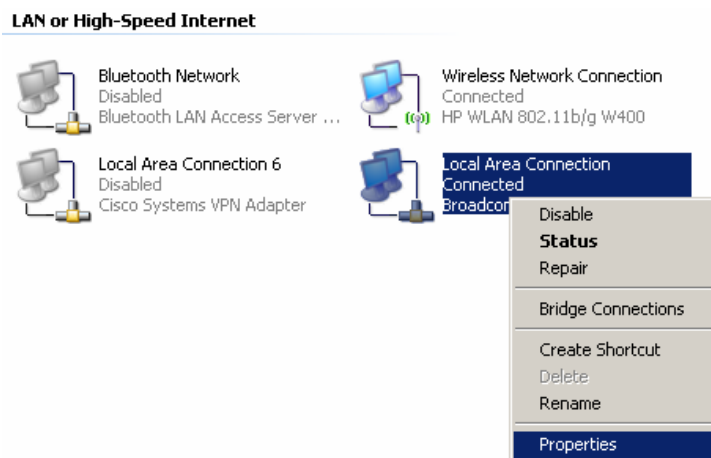
Before you proceed to initial link setup with Web GUI, you must perform Ethernet connection configuration by following these steps:



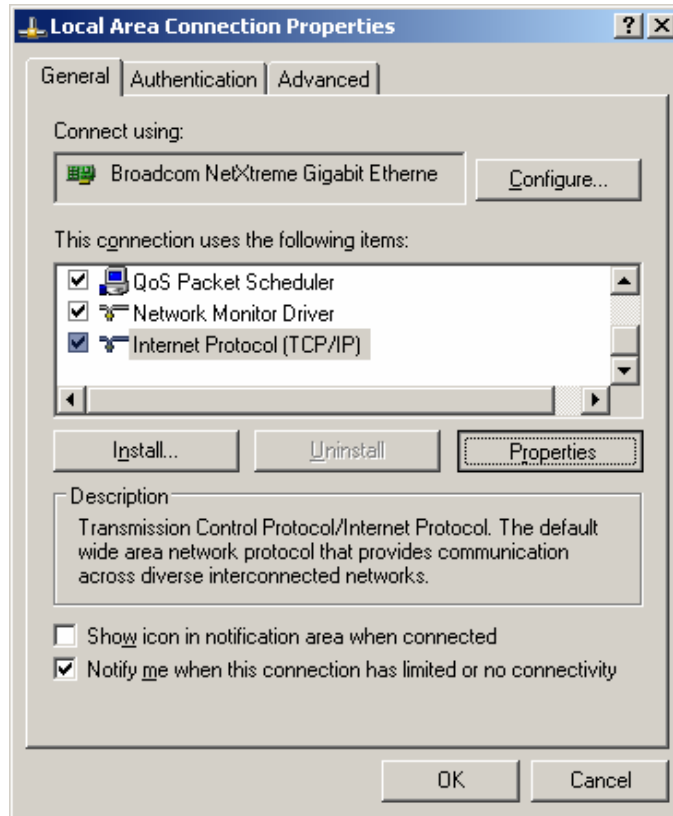
- 1) In "MS Windows" operational system go to Start → Settings → Network connections (or Start → Settings → Control panel → Network connections)



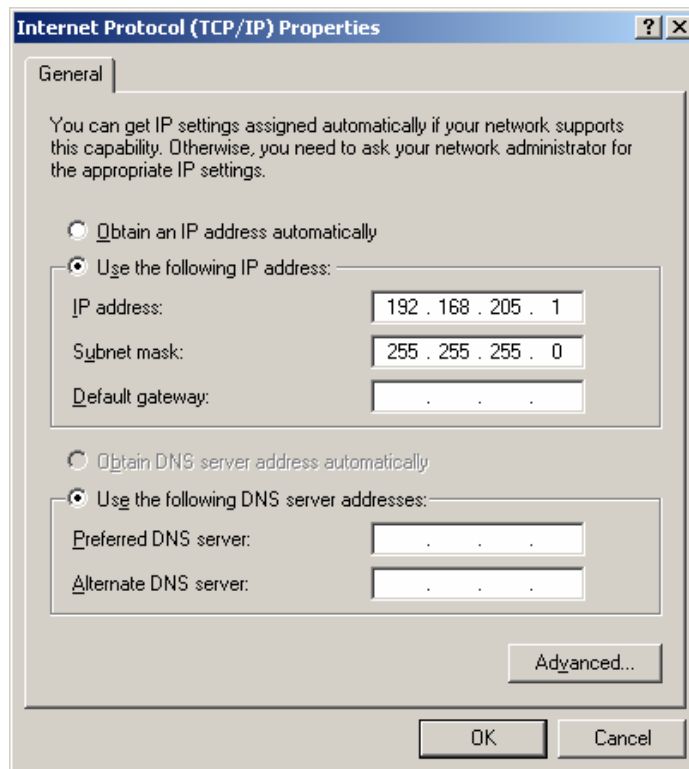
- 2) Find 'Local Area Connection', click right mouse button on it and choose 'Properties'



- 3) Click on 'Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)' from the list in the dialog box and then click on 'Properties'



- 4) In the dialog box enter the following values (so that your PC is in the same subnet as default SAF FreeMile addresses):

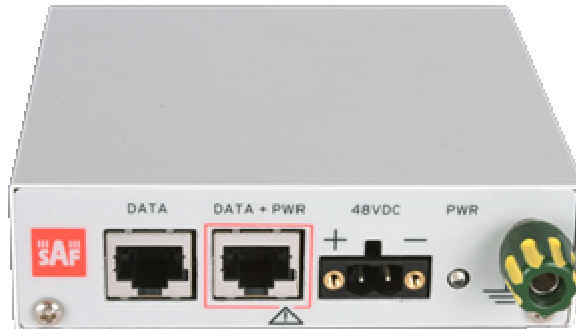


Now you are ready to connect to Web GUI or establish Telnet connection.

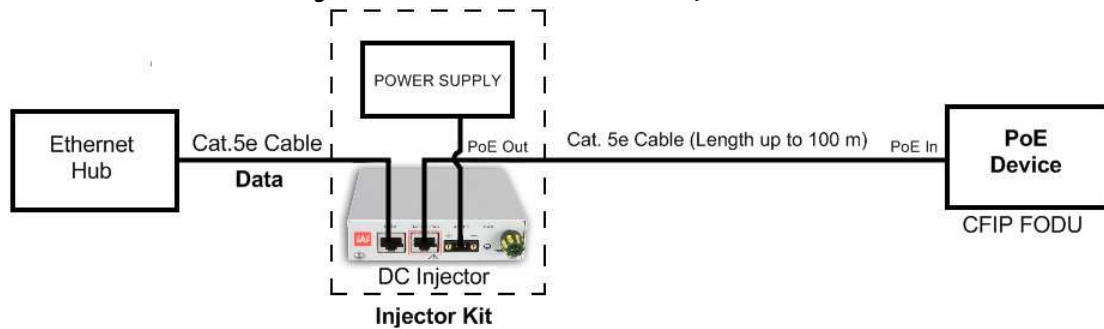


## 2.2.4 Power over Ethernet injection

You must have Power over Ethernet sourcing equipment to connect the laptop to the SAF FreeMile. It is possible to use passive injectors, utilizing spare wire pairs of Ethernet cable. Refer to **Chapter 9** for detailed information on pinouts. Power over Ethernet injector can be purchased from SAF Tehnika as an optional accessory. Below is an example of Power over Ethernet injector, as well as its application scheme.



*Figure 2.6. Power over Ethernet injector (P/N)*



*Figure 2.7. Power over Ethernet injector application*

The injector has shielded RJ45 sockets. This along with the metal housing helps to reduce the effects of EMI. A ground lug and terminal are provided directly on the injector housing providing superior grounding.

Now you are ready to connect to Web GUI or establish Telnet connection.

## 2.2.5 Connecting to Web Interface

It is recommended to use the following web-browsers (and all later versions):

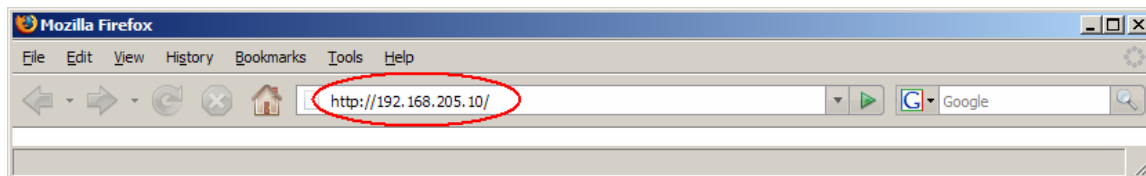
- IE v. 6.0
- Mozilla Firefox v. 2.0.0.11
- Safari v. 3.0
- Opera v. 9.50

After web browsers selection, open it and enter address of the FODU (**Figure 2.6**).

**(!)** It is important to know the Side parameter of the FODU to which you want to connect; whether the factory settings are loaded in FODU.

If Low Side -> IP: 192.168.205.10

If High Side -> IP: 192.168.205.11



*Figure 2.6. SAF FreeMile IP address*

(!) The default username and password for Web access are:

- username: *admin*
- password: *changeme*

If the IP address is correct and you have suitable browser version, you will see confirmation text. After confirmation you will be redirected to Web interface page. In case of not valid IP address you will not obtain the configuration interface. In case your browser is not accepted, you will see the text informing about that. You can push the button "Continue Anyway" to be redirected to Web interface page.

If everything is correct, you will see the main window of the WEB Interface. If in the field displaying Local and/or Remote system values there are problems (configured values are not the same for Local and Remote, or there is a problem with parameter value), the appropriate cell will be highlighted in red colour.

(!) If you are not obtaining the correct Web page, try to clear browser cookies, cache and offline data and restart the browser.

(!) All commands executed from Web GUI will be interpreted to CLI commands and will be executed as in CLI.

The screenshot displays the main window of the SAF FreeMile web interface. It is divided into several sections:

- Local system summary:** Shows Rx level at -67 dBm, Rx quality with a green bar, and Rx modulation as 32QAM.
- Remote system summary:** Shows Rx level at -66 dBm, Rx quality with a green bar, and Rx modulation as 32QAM.
- Main page:** Includes links for Spectrum analysis, Configuration wizard, and an Advanced view.
- Main status:** A table comparing local and remote parameters:
 

Radio status	Local	Remote
Radio side	High	Low
Tx power	-15 dBm	-15 dBm
Rx level	<b>-67 dBm</b>	<b>-66 dBm</b>
Tx frequency	24195 MHz	24095 MHz
Rx frequency	24095 MHz	24195 MHz
- Modem configuration:** Shows bandwidth (30 MHz), modulation (32QAM with ACM), and Ethernet capacity (40.7..100.0 Mbps) for both sides.
- Modem status:** Shows status (ACQUIRE\_LOCKED), LDPC decoder stress (1.9e-06), current modulation (32QAM / 32QAM), and current Ethernet capacity (100.0 / 100.0 Mbps).
- Diagnostics:** Shows system temperature (+51.5 °C / +124.7 °F for local, +45.0 °C / +113.0 °F for remote).
- Tx polarization:** A red exclamation mark indicates a warning. The local side is set to VERTICAL (indicated by a vertical double-headed arrow icon), while the remote side is set to HORIZONTAL (indicated by a horizontal double-headed arrow icon).
- Radio configuration:** Includes settings for RSSI LED (Enabled), radio antenna diameter (30 cm), Tx power (-15 dBm), and Tx channel selection (5 - 24195MHz).
- Modem configuration:** Shows modem configuration (30MHz 100 Mbps).
- System returned:** Shows 'Ok'.

Figure 2.7. Web Interface - main window of configured link

**[!]** Note that SAF FreeMile utilizes both polarizations, and radios must be installed with 90 degrees offset regarding remote side. This, as well as position of cables can be verified in *Main status* Tx polarization row.

## 2.2.6 Interface Description

WEB interface consists of four parts:

1. Top panel, that allows to log out and gives information about device type, software version, device name, IP, serial number and uptime;
2. Menu panel that is used to open links to other pages;
3. Status summary for local and remote devices: this section is available while browsing other pages.
4. The main panel where new pages selected from menu panel are displayed;





Name: SAF

IP: 192.168.205.11

SN:

Uptime: 03:33:19

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Local system summary	Main status	Local	Remote
Rx level: -68 dBm	<b>Radio status</b>		
Rx quality: <span style="color: red; font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">3</span>	Radio side: High	High	Low
Rx modulation: 32QAM	Tx power: -15 dBm	-15 dBm	-15 dBm
<b>Remote system summary</b>	Rx level: -67 dBm	<b>-67 dBm</b>	<b>-66 dBm</b>
Rx level: -66 dBm	Tx frequency: 24195 MHz	24195 MHz	24095 MHz
Rx quality: <span style="color: yellow; font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">4</span>	Rx frequency: 24095 MHz	24095 MHz	24195 MHz
Rx modulation: 32QAM	<b>Modem configuration</b>		
	Bandwidth: 30 MHz	30 MHz	30 MHz
	Modulation: 32QAM with ACM	32QAM with ACM	32QAM with ACM
	Ethernet capacity: 40.7..100.0 Mbps	40.7..100.0 Mbps	40.7..100.0 Mbps
	E1 channels: 0	0	0
	<b>Modem status</b>		
	Modem status: ACQUIRE_LOCKED	ACQUIRE_LOCKED	ACQUIRE_LOCKED
	LDPC decoder stress: 1.0e-06	1.0e-06	1.0e-06
	Current modulation Rx / Tx: 32QAM / 32QAM	32QAM / 32QAM	32QAM / 32QAM
	Current Ethernet capacity Rx / Tx: 100.0 / 100.0 Mbps	100.0 / 100.0 Mbps	100.0 / 100.0 Mbps
	E1 status *: Ok	Ok	Ok
	<b>Diagnostics</b>		
	System temperature: +50.5 °C / +122.9 °F	+50.5 °C / +122.9 °F	+44.0 °C / +111.2 °F
	Tx polarization:	VERTICAL	
	Name (serial number): SAF ()	SAF ()	SAF ()
	Version string: V1.52 2010.07.05 [work build]	V1.52 2010.07.05 [work build]	V1.52 2010.07.05 [work build]
	Loopback: none	none	
	<b>Radio configuration</b>		
	RSSI LED: <input checked="" type="radio"/> Enabled <input type="radio"/> Disabled		
	Radio antenna diameter: 30 cm		
	Tx power: -15 dBm		
	Tx channel selection: 5 - 24195MHz		
	<b>Modem configuration</b>		
	Modem configuration: 30MHz 100 Mbps		
	<input type="button" value="Rollback on"/> <input type="button" value="Apply"/>		
	<input type="button" value="Apply for local and remote"/>		
	<input type="button" value="Save"/>		
	<input type="button" value="Save in local and remote"/>		
	System returned: Ok		

Figure 2.8. Web Interface description – main window of configured link

Also, special marks are used:

- Entries highlighted in red indicate that specific parameters do not comply with the norms of standard operation. For example: value is out of range; local value is not equal to the remote value and vice versa (only in some places); no value data (N/D).
- Entry highlighted in yellow indicates warning.
- 'N/D' in value place corresponds to 'No Data'.
- 'N/A' in value place corresponds to 'Not Available'.

## 2.2.7 Command execution

There is a "Main configuration" page shown in **Figure 2.13**. The entire page is divided into smaller fragments:

1. The header of page;
2. Sub-header of single type configuration parameters;
3. Configuration parameter name;
4. Configuration parameter **current** value;
5. "Apply" button executes configuration changes only on the local side FreeMile FODU. Enabling rollback feature allows going back to previous configuration in case of management connectivity loss.
6. "Apply for local and remote" executes configuration changes on both remote and local side FreeMile FODUs.



7. "Save" button, which permanently saves configuration changes for the local side FreeMile FODU;
8. "Save in local and remote" button, which permanently saves configuration changes for the local and remote side FreeMile FODU;
9. Comments (not on every page).

"Apply for local and remote" is available in "Main page" during configuration for local and remote radio sides simultaneously. Connection between both management CPUs must be established in order to complete successfully configuration execution for both sides.

"Rollback on" feature is intended to maintain connectivity of the SAF FreeMile link by cancelling last erroneous configuration changes and reverting to previous successful configuration used. Rollback will activate only if you lose connection to WEB interface of SAF FreeMile after configuration changes applied, and reverting process will take approx. 3 minutes.

After parameter value editing, when the focus from this object is removed, this parameter value edit box may be highlighted in red, meaning that entered value is not valid.

If "Apply" or "Apply for local and remote" buttons are pressed, and one or several configuration values edit boxes is/are highlighted in red, the user will see error message with the explanation text.

The screenshot shows the SAF FreeMile web interface for IP configuration. The header includes the SAF logo, device name (SAF), IP (192.168.205.11), SN, and uptime (03:33:19). The title is "SAF FreeMile - V1.52 2010.07.05".

The interface is divided into several sections:

- Local system summary:** Shows Rx level (-68 dBm), Rx quality (indicated by a bar chart), and Rx modulation (32QAM).
- Remote system summary:** Shows Rx level (-66 dBm), Rx quality (indicated by a bar chart), and Rx modulation (32QAM).
- Main page:** A navigation menu with options like Spectrum analysis, Configuration wizard, Advanced, Status, Configuration, Main configuration, System configuration, IP configuration, Ethernet configuration, VLAN configuration, QoS, Spanning tree config, SNMP configuration, Alarm configuration, Alarm threshold config, Performance log config, Performance, and Tools.
- Main status:** A table with columns for Local and Remote. It includes Radio status (Radio side, Tx power, Rx level, Tx frequency, Rx frequency), Modem configuration (Bandwidth, Modulation, Ethernet capacity, E1 channels), Modem status (Modem status, LDPC decoder stress, Current modulation Rx / Tx, Current Ethernet capacity Rx / Tx, E1 status \*), and Diagnostics (System temperature).
- Radio configuration:** Includes RSSI LED (Enabled/Disabled), Radio antenna diameter (30 cm), Tx power (-15 dBm), and Tx channel selection (5 - 24195MHz).
- Modem configuration:** Includes Modem configuration (30MHz 100 Mbps).
- Buttons:** At the bottom right, there are buttons for "Rollback on" (with a checkbox), "Apply", "Apply for local and remote", "Save", and "Save in local and remote".
- System returned:** Shows "Ok".
- Note:** "Note: Fields marked with \* are clickable."

Red numbers 1 through 9 are overlaid on the screenshot to highlight specific features: 1 points to the Main status header, 2 to the Modem configuration header, 3 to the Tx power field, 4 to the Tx power dropdown, 5 to the Rollback on checkbox, 6 to the Apply for local and remote button, 7 to the Save button, 8 to the Save in local and remote button, and 9 to the Note text.

Figure 2.9. Web Interface - IP configuration page with numbering



## 2.2.8 Tx power selection

Tx power should not exceed equivalent isotropically radiated power (EIRP) limitation of 20 dBm.

(!) In the table below please see interdependence between antenna used and allowed Tx output power range (resulting EIRP  $\leq$  20 dBm). Particular table shows data for 24GHz frequency range.

	Antenna size / gain		
	30cm / 35.0dBi	60cm / 40.3dBi	99cm / 45.4dBi
Allowed Tx power	-25...-15 dBm	-25...-20 dBm	-25 dBm

Erroneous Tx power setting will pop up an error message.

(!) In the table below please see interdependence between antenna used and allowed Tx output power range (resulting EIRP  $\leq$  20 dBm). Particular table shows data for 17GHz frequency range.

	Antenna size / gain		
	30cm / 32.5dBi	60cm / 38.0dBi	99cm / 41.6dBi
Allowed Tx power	-25...-12 dBm	-25...-18 dBm	-25...-21 dBm

Erroneous Tx power setting will pop up an error message.

## 2.2.9 Initial configuration

In order to perform initial configuration you will need a laptop with LAN card, 2 Category 5 e Ethernet cables and a Power over Ethernet injector.

- Your connected laptop should be in the same subnet with manageable SAF FreeMile, so you can “see” them; that is why, the laptop Ethernet port settings should be set as follows: (in ‘Microsoft Windows’ go to *Control panel* → *Network Connections* → *Local Area Connection* → *Properties* → *Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)* → *Properties*):
  - IP address 192.168.205.1;
  - Net mask 255.255.255.0;
  - everything else is blank.
- You must have PoE (Power over Ethernet) injector with the minimum of 20W power supply to connect the laptop to the SAF FreeMile FODU. Power over Ethernet injector can be purchased from SAF Tehnika JSC as optional accessory.
- To know IP address, side value should be read from the label. See Chapter 2.3 for details.
  - If Low Side -> IP: 192.168.205.10
  - If High Side -> IP: 192.168.205.11



- Connect to SAF FreeMile FODU by entering IP address in the browser address line - by default 192.168.205.10 for the low side and 192.168.205.11 for the high side.

**(!)** Default username for Web, Telnet and FTP access is admin and password is *changeme*.

- It is recommended to use the following or later versions of web-browsers:
  - IE v. 6.0
  - Mozilla Firefox v. 2.0.0.11
  - Safari v. 3.0
  - Opera v. 9.50

## 2.2.10 Initial configuration with Web GUI

Initial configuration in Web GUI should be done individually for each SAF FreeMile FODU.

### **STEP 1**

First step is to choose your antenna size (30 or 60cm) in Main page „Radio configuration“. Press „Apply“ button. Note that “Apply for local and remote” button will not operate until microwave link is established.

### **STEP 2**

Run „Spectrum analysis“ while second unit is not transmitting in order to check availability of required channel as well as overall interference

### **STEP 3**

Judging upon observed interference, choose free channel in 30MHz or change channel bandwidth to 10MHz and change modem configuration if required.

### **STEP 4**

Activate Tx power by choosing Tx power value in Main page „Radio configuration“ and pressing „Apply“ button.

### **STEP 5**

All configuration steps should be repeated for the second SAF FreeMile unit.

If everything was configured correctly, you will see a screen similar Figure 2.7. (with no alarm indications).



### 3 Main Web GUI sections

#### 3.1 Main page

The main window in Web GUI is Main page, which shows all main system parameters, and, in case of failure or any other problem, it tints a specific parameter in red.

Configuration sections of the page allow you to modify main system parameters and set up the link. For further details please see Chapter 2.2.10 "Initial configuration with Web GUI".

To have better understanding of main page, below you can find explanation of every field.

**1** Name: SAF  
IP: 192.168.205.11  
SN: 325560100008  
Uptime: 20:08:20

**2** SAF FreeMile - V1.53 2010.09.06

**3** Logout

**4** Local system summary  
Rx level: -68 dBm  
Rx quality: [Bar chart]  
Rx modulation: 32QAM

**5** Remote system summary  
Rx level: -68 dBm  
Rx quality: [Bar chart]  
Rx modulation: 32QAM

Main page  
Spectrum analysis  
Configuration wizard  
**5** Advanced

Main status	Local	Remote
<b>Radio status</b>		
Radio side	<b>6</b> High	Low
Tx power	<b>7</b> -15 dBm	-15 dBm
Rx level	<b>8</b> -68 dBm	-68 dBm
Tx frequency	<b>9</b> 24165 MHz	24065 MHz
Rx frequency	<b>10</b> 24065 MHz	24165 MHz
<b>Modem configuration</b>		
Bandwidth	<b>11</b> 30 MHz	30 MHz
Modulation	<b>12</b> 32QAM with ACM	32QAM with ACM
Ethernet capacity	<b>13</b> 40.7..100.0 Mbps	40.7..100.0 Mbps
E1 channels	<b>14</b> 0	0
<b>Modem status</b>		
Modem status	<b>15</b> ACQUIRE_LOCKED	ACQUIRE_LOCKED
LDPC decoder stress	<b>16</b> 1.1e-06	1.7e-06
Current modulation Rx / Tx	<b>17</b> 32QAM / 32QAM	32QAM / 32QAM
Current Ethernet capacity Rx / Tx	<b>18</b> 100.0 / 100.0 Mbps	100.0 / 100.0 Mbps
E1 status *	<b>19</b> Ok	Ok
<b>Diagnostics</b>		
System temperature	<b>20</b> +45.0 °C / +113.0 °F	+47.5 °C / +117.5 °F
Tx polarization	<b>21</b> HORIZONTAL	VERTICAL
Name (serial number)	<b>22</b> SAF (325560100008)	SAF (325570100007)
Version string	<b>23</b> V1.53 2010.09.06	V1.53 2010.09.06
Loopback	<b>24</b> none	
<b>Radio configuration</b>		
RSSI LED	<b>25</b> <input checked="" type="radio"/> Enabled <input type="radio"/> Disabled	
Radio antenna diameter	<b>26</b> 30 cm	
Tx power	<b>27</b> -15 dBm	
Tx channel selection	<b>28</b> 2 - 24165MHz	
<b>Modem configuration</b>		
Modem configuration	<b>29</b> 30MHz 100 Mbps	
<b>30</b>		
<b>31</b>		
System returned:	<b>32</b> Ok	

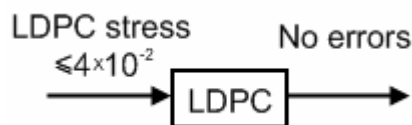
**33** Rollback on  Apply  
**34** Apply for local and remote

**30** Save  
**31** Save in local and remote

Note: Fields marked with \* are clickable.

- Shows the system name of particular SAF FreeMile, its IP address, serial number and uptime since the last restart. If uptime is displayed in red, the connection to CFIP management port was lost;
- Shows the firmware version currently being used;
- Logout button allows ending the current Web GUI management session and logging in as a different user if necessary. After pressing the button, you are automatically redirected to the login page;
- Shows short summary of the main operational parameters of local and remote system.
  - Rx level (or RSL) at both ends must not differ significantly from the previously calculated value.

- Rx quality bar with use of colors (red, orange, yellow, green) indicates current quality of the signal
  - Modulation indicates which modulation mode is used. The same modulation must be set at both ends.
5. The tree of Web GUI sections;
  6. *Radio side* – shows the radio side of local and remote CFIP;
  7. *Tx power* – shows current transmitter power in dBm;
  8. *Rx level* – shows current level of received signal. It must not differ significantly from the previously calculated value;
  9. *Tx frequency* – shows the transmitting frequency;
  10. *Rx frequency* – shows the receiving frequency;
  11. *Bandwidth* – shows width of currently utilized bandwidth in MHz;
  12. *Modulation* – shows modulation mode set;
  13. *Ethernet capacity* – shows Ethernet capacity set;
  14. *E1 channels* – shows the number of E1 channels set. The number must be equal at both ends;
  15. *Modem status* – indicates the acquire status of the modem. 'ACQUIRE\_IN\_PROGRESS' will appear during start-up, when modem acquires required parameters, but in normal operation mode 'ACQUIRE\_LOCKED' will be seen. Any other options designate failure;
  16. *LDPC decoder stress* – shows the load of LDPC (low-density parity-check code) decoder. The LDPC is monitored for the number of errors being corrected on the input of LDPC decoder (see **Figure 3.1**).



**Figure 3.1** LDPC decoder operation

As long as LDPC stress value is under the specified thresholds, the amount of errors (and BER itself) on the output of LDPC remains at zero level.

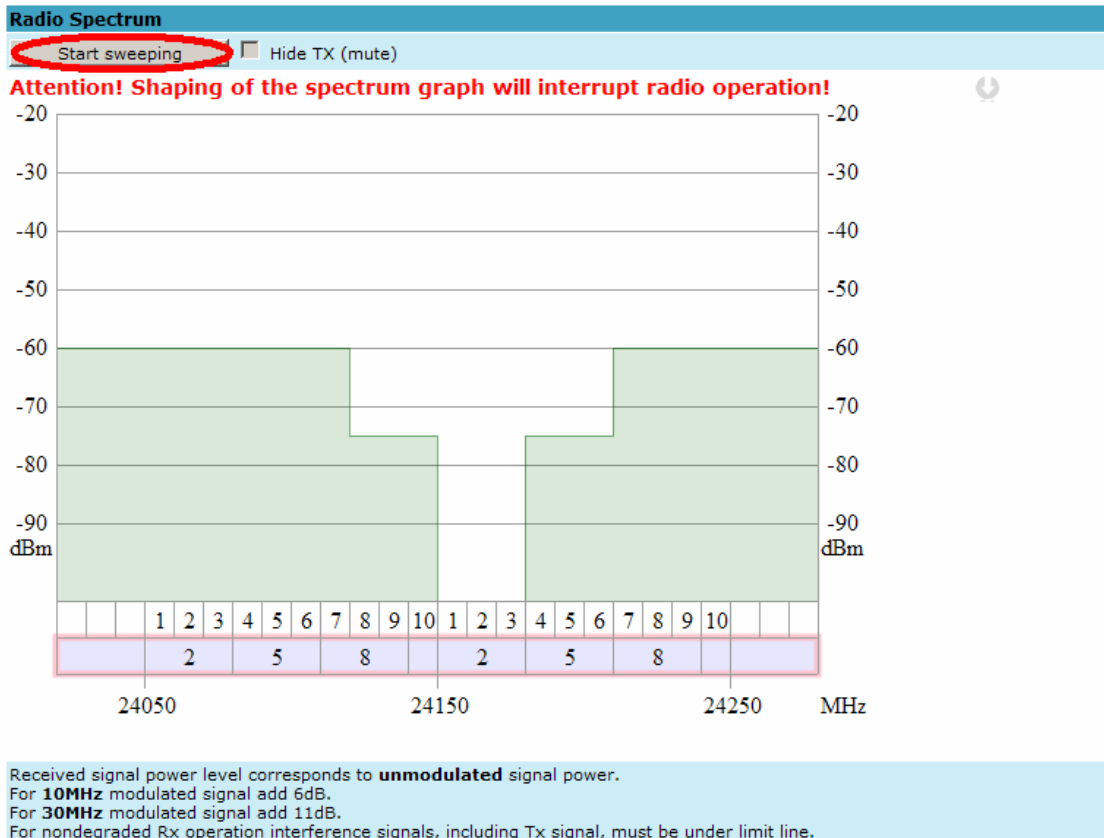
17. *Current modulation Rx / Tx* – shows the modulation modes currently utilized;
18. *Current Ethernet capacity Rx / Tx* – shows the current Ethernet capacities in both directions;
19. *E1 status* – shows if the E1 channel is connected or not and shows status of LOS and AIS indications. To see the status, click on the text;
20. *System temperature* – shows the device internal temperature in degrees by Celsius;
21. *Tx polarization* – shows transmission polarization and position of connectors and wires at the local side;
22. *Name (serial number)* – shows system name and serial number;
23. *Version string* – shows currently installed firmware version. It must match on both ends of the link;
24. *Loopback* – shows if any loopback is currently active;
25. *RSSI LED* – enables or disables RSSI LED indication;
26. *Radio antenna diameter* – allows to select antenna diameter you are using;
27. *Tx power* – allows to choose appropriate Tx power value;
28. *Tx channel selection* – allows choosing one of three (30MHz channel bandwidth) or ten (10MHz channel bandwidth) channels. For availability please check "Spectrum analysis";



29. *Modem configuration* – allows choosing appropriate channel bandwidth, Ethernet capacity and number of E1 channels. By default 30MHz channel bandwidth with 100Mbps capacity is selected;
30. Pressing „Save” button saves in local unit all changes applied;
31. Pressing „Save in local and remote” button saves in both local and remote units all changes applied;
32. *System returned* - in case of error or incorrectly entered parameter value, or other problems in the whole page – info message will be displayed here. Otherwise it says “Ok”;
33. Pressing „Apply” button applies all changes for local unit;
34. Pressing „Apply for local and remote” button applies all changes for both local and remote units;

### 3.2 Spectrum analysis

With help of spectrum analysis you can check presence of interference in the available spectrum and judging upon data obtained, you can make a decision which channel to use.





## 4 Detailed configuration in Web graphic user interface

Configuration section in Web interface allows customizing your system to suit your specific needs.

### 4.1 Main configuration

The main configuration window provides the configuration of most vital system parameters, including the ones in configuration wizard as well as some other important parameters. Below is a short explanation of provided customization fields.

#### 4.1.1 Radio configuration

Radio configuration		
Radio data status	<b>1</b>	Ok
Radio side	<b>2</b>	Low
Tx power (-2 .. 17 dBm)	<b>3</b>	17 dBm
Tx frequency (22014000 .. 22582000 KHz)	<b>4</b>	22303100 KHz
Rx frequency	<b>5</b>	23311100 KHz
Duplex shift	<b>6</b>	1008000 KHz
Tx mute	<b>7</b>	off
	<b>8</b>	Rollback on <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Execute configuration</b>
	<b>9</b>	<b>Execute for both</b>

1. *Radio data status* – shows if management CPU was able to read data from radio;
2. *Radio side* – shows if radio side you are currently viewing is low or high (command line – **radio side**);
3. *Tx power* – allows you to define transmitter power. If the RSL is too high (much higher than normal -50dBm), you might want to lower transmitter power. Too high Rx level (>20 dBm) may even result in synchronization loss. The minimum and maximal values you can choose are dependent on modulation type and CFIP model. Maximal and minimal Tx power values are shown in the brackets. (command line - **radio txpower** [<power dBm>];
4. *Tx frequency (22014000 .. 22582000 KHz)* – allows you to enter preferable transmitter frequency, hence defining utilized channel (command line - **radio txfreq** [<freq KHz>];
5. *Rx frequency* – shows the current receiver utilized frequency (command line - **radio freq**);
6. *Duplex shift* – shows the duplex shift between the transmitter frequency and receiver frequency (command line - **radio duplexshift**);
7. *Tx mute* – allows turning transmitter power off. It may be effective when diagnosing on interference existence – when transmitter power of one side is off, you should not experience significant RSL on the other side (command line - **radio txmute** [on/off]);
8. By pressing “Execute configuration” changes made to the corresponding section apply only for the local side CFIP Phoenix. If “Rollback on” is selected, configuration will be reverted in case erroneous configuration changes are applied.
9. Pressing “Execute for both” applies changes made to the corresponding section both for local and remote side CFIP FODUs.





## 4.1.2 ATPC configuration

To configure ATPC, it is necessary to set Rx (remote) “min” and “max” values and enable the ATPC feature.

ATPC update period and ATPC delta are recommended to be left unchanged.

It is also possible to change the limit of Tx power correction.

**[!]** Note, that ATPC is mechanism for reducing Tx power, that’s why to make proper use of ATPC, transmitter power (Tx power) must be set to the maximum value.

ATPC configuration	
ATPC function	<b>1</b> <input checked="" type="radio"/> Enabled <input type="radio"/> Disabled
ATPC update period (1..5)	<b>2</b> <input type="text" value="1"/> sec
ATPC delta (1 .. 5 dB)	<b>3</b> <input type="text" value="1"/> dB
Tx power correction	<b>4</b> <input type="text" value="0"/> dB
Tx power correction limit (-19..-1 dB)	<b>5</b> <input type="text" value="-15"/> dB
Remote device status	<b>6</b> Ok
Rx (remote) level maximum (-60..-20 dBm)	<b>7</b> <input type="text" value="-50"/> dBm
Rx (remote) level minimum (-90..-50 dBm)	<b>8</b> <input type="text" value="-60"/> dBm
Rx level max/min boundaries depend on each other	
Rx (remote) level	<input type="text" value="-58"/> dBm
<b>9</b>	Rollback on <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="button" value="Execute configuration"/>
<b>10</b>	<input type="button" value="Execute for both"/>

1. *ATPC function* – allows enabling or disabling ATPC (Automatic Transmit Power Control). By default this feature is disabled (command line – ***atpc [enable/disable]***);
2. *ATPC update period (1..5)* – allows defining the period in seconds in which ATPC parameters are being updated. By default the update period is 1 second (command line – ***atpc delay <power change delay time 1..5 sec>***);
3. *ATPC delta (1 .. 5 dB)* – allows defining ATPC delta - an increment or decrement in which Tx power will be changed. It is highly unadvisable to change this parameter (command line – ***atpc delta <tx power correction step 1..5 dBm>***);
4. *Tx power correction* – displays the amount of transmitter power in decibels ATPC has currently corrected (command line – ***atpc status***);
5. *Tx power correction limit (-19..-1 dB)* – allows defining the amount of dB ATPC will be able to correct regarding initial Tx power value (command line – ***atpc limit <tx power correction limit -19..-1 dB>***);
6. *Remote device status* – shows if management CPU was able to read data from remote management CPU;
7. *Rx (remote) level maximum (-60..-20 dBm)* – allows defining the maximum Rx level. ATPC Tx power correction will be performed only in case of exceeding this defined maximum Rx level (command line – ***atpc rxmax <rx level max - 60..-20 dBm>***);
8. *Rx (remote) level minimum (-90..-50 dBm)* – allows defining the minimum Rx level. ATPC Tx power correction will be performed only in case of exceeding this defined maximum Rx level (command line – ***atpc rxmin <rx level min - 90..-50 dBm>***);
9. By pressing “Execute configuration” changes made to the corresponding section apply only for the local side CFIP Phoenix. If “Rollback on” is selected, configuration will be reverted in case erroneous configuration changes are applied.

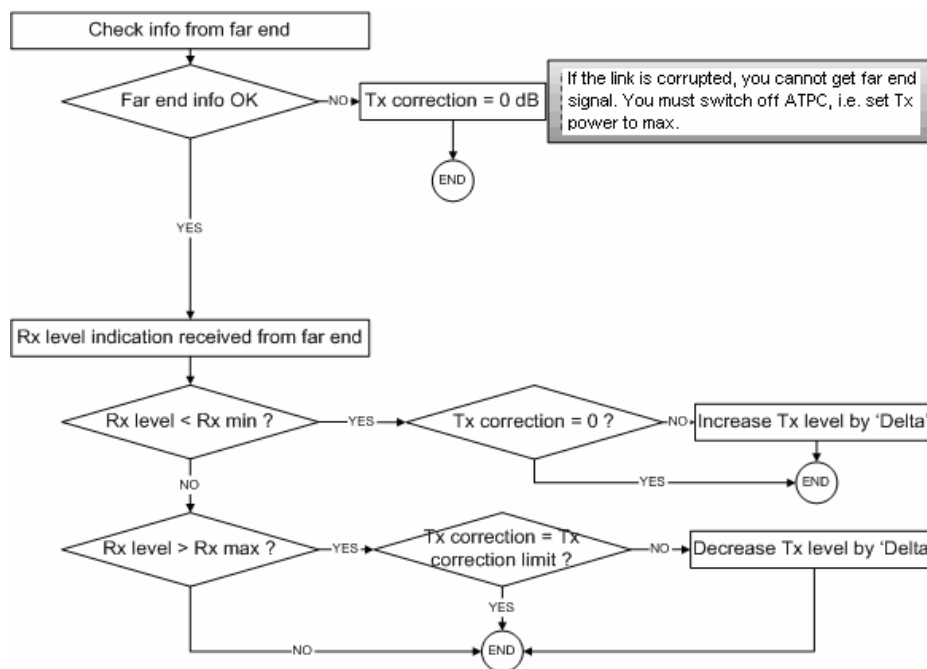
- Pressing "Execute for both" applies changes made to the corresponding section both for local and remote side CFIP FODUs.

## ATPC Algorithm

ACM can be implemented together with **automatic transmit power control (ATPC)**, complimentary features that enhance overall system performance. ATPC reduces the average transmitted power as well as CCI and adjacent-channel interference (ACI), which is caused by extraneous power from a signal in an adjacent channel. It also enables a more efficient and cost-effective network frequency plan and deployment, as well as eliminating some of the receivers' "upfade" problems by changing the transmitted power according to the link momentary conditions. The lower average Tx power also extends the equipment's mean time between failures.

ATPC can be used together with ACM to control the transmitted power in any given ACM profile. Different algorithms can be implemented to achieve maximal spectral efficiency or minimal transmitted power using both features in combination. One implementation could target maximal spectral efficacy by trying to reach the highest ACM profile, while the other is willing to compromise on some of the spectral efficiency enabling CCI and ACI reduction. In any chosen algorithm, ATPC reduces the average transmitted power, benefiting each ACM profile and any link condition.

The local CFIP FODU receives information (each second) about Rx level from the far-end CFIP FODU through the service channel; depending on the received Rx level parameter, the local CFIP FODU adjusts the transmitter power in accordance with the algorithm shown below.



Rx level - the the Rx level figure received from the far-end  
 Rx max - maximum permissible Rx level at the far-end  
 Rx min - minimum permissible Rx level at the far-end  
 Tx correction  
 Tx correction limit  
 Delta - the value by which the Tx power is increased or decreased according to far-end Rx level indication (1 dBm by default)

Figure 4.1. ATPC algorithm



### 4.1.3 Modem configuration

Modem configuration	
Modem data status	<b>1</b> Ok
Bandwidth	<b>2</b> 28000 KHz
Modulation	<b>3</b> 32APSK WeakFEC ACM
E1 channels	<b>4</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 01 <input type="checkbox"/> 02 <input type="checkbox"/> 03 <input type="checkbox"/> 04
	<b>5</b> Rollback on <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Execute configuration</b>
	<b>6</b> <b>Execute for both</b>

1. *Modem data status* – shows if management CPU was able to read data from modem;
2. *Bandwidth* – allows choosing between 3.5, 7, 14 and 28 MHz bandwidths available. The default value is 3.5 MHz. This option is dependent on what bandwidth you have purchased. The wider bandwidth you have, the higher will be the overall link bitrate. The maximum bitrate of 108 Mbps is available using 28 MHz bandwidth (command line – **modem set** <3500|7000|14000|28000> <min modulation> <max modulation> <WeakFEC|StrongFEC> <channel\_mask>);
3. *Modulation* – allows choosing between QPSK, 16APSK, 32APSK, 64QAM and 128QAM modulations. The default value is QPSK. The higher modulation order is, the higher the overall link bitrate, but worse RSL. The maximum bitrate of 108 Mbps is available using 32APSK modulation in Weak FEC mode or 64QAM modulation in Strong FEC mode (command line – **modem set** <3500|7000|14000|28000> <min modulation> <max modulation> <WeakFEC|StrongFEC> <channel\_mask>). See below the explanation for **Adaptive Coding** and **Modulation** and **FEC** options;
4. *E1 channels* – allows to enable preferable E1 channels. When the total capacity is over 100Mbps, number of E1 channels does not influence the total Ethernet capacity (100Mbps), otherwise Ethernet capacity is <total capacity> - <number of E1 channels>\*2,048 [Mbps]. By default E1 channels are turned off (command line – **e1 set** <Number of E1 channels>);
5. By pressing “Execute configuration” changes made to the corresponding section apply only for the local side CFIP Phoenix. If “Rollback on” is selected, configuration will be reverted in case erroneous configuration changes are applied.
6. Pressing “Execute for both” applies changes made to the corresponding section both for local and remote side CFIP FODUs.

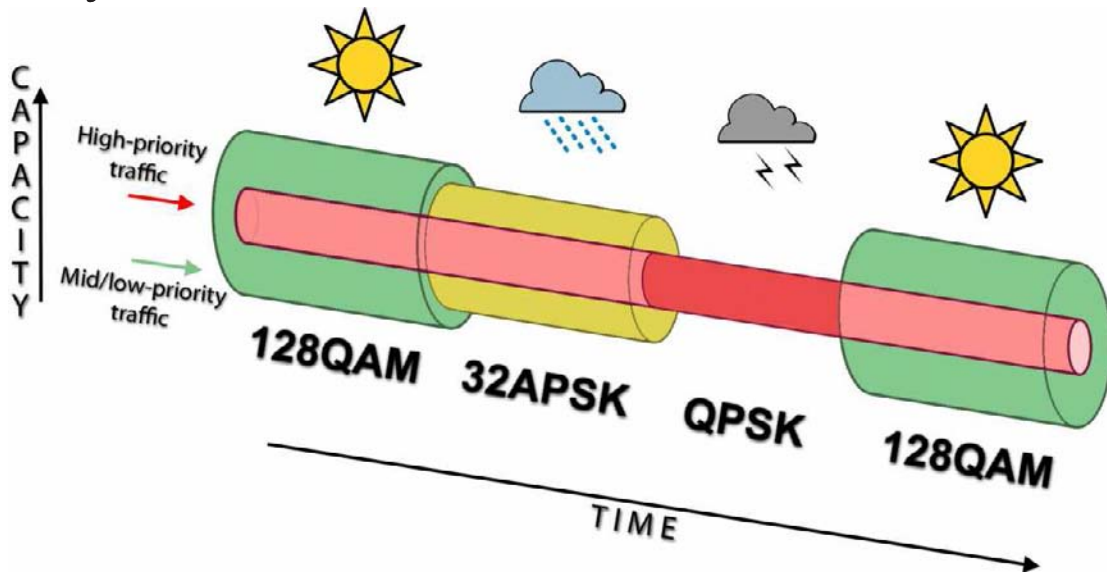
**Adaptive code and modulation (ACM)** technology allows operators to achieve high-capacity data transmission over microwave links and improve the link utilization. This reduces both operational and capital expenditures for maintaining high-capacity links. ACM can maintain the highest link spectral efficiency possible at any given time in any link condition.

In traditional voice-dominated wireless backhaul transmission networks, service availability levels of 99.995% are the norm.

However, newer services such as Internet browsing, video streaming and video conferencing can operate at more relaxed availability levels. With use of QoS prioritizing ACM can allocate the required availability based on the priority. As a result, high-priority services such as voice enjoy 99.995% availability, while low-priority services like video streaming are allocated lower priorities.

Use of QoS prioritizing defines which services should be transmitted under any link condition and which services should be adapted whenever the link condition is degraded and the link payload is decreased.

For example, when bad weather has decreased the channel capacity of a link, ACM maintains high-priority services – such as E1 channels – with full bandwidth capacity while adapting the bandwidth capacity of low- and mid-priority services such as Internet browsing (see *Figure 4.2*).



*Figure 4.2. ACM bandwidth capacity adaptation*

Traffic can be mapped into different priorities, which define the level of service for each application. *Figure 4.3* illustrates how different services – such as rich voice and video – are mapped into different classes of availability (CoA) such as 99.995% or 99.985%.

(!) *Figure 4.3.* represents intermediate modulations. Full range of modulations available is 128QAM, 64QAM, 32APSK, 16APSK, QPSK if '128QAM + ACM' is selected.

The implementation of multiple priorities increases the available capacity up to 10 times that of standard links. When conditions are clear, the wireless link operates at maximum capacity and provides all services with the full data rate. When link conditions are poor – during harsh rain, for example – predefined high-availability services such as voice are not affected. However, the capacity of low-priority services is adapted dynamically to the changing link conditions. This is done by provisioning bandwidth according to the link conditions and traffic priority.

An ACM profile defines the link parameters (modulation) for a given range of the Radial MSE. The Radial MSE range of each profile defines the threshold for switching from one ACM profile to another. Each ACM profile has a different spectral efficiency, derived from its modulation.

The receiver continuously monitors the link condition based on Radial MSE value.

Once the estimators at the receiver side show that the link performance is not suitable for the current ACM profile, an ACM switching process will be initiated. In case of degradation in the link performance, the new ACM profile will include lower modulation, decreasing the link bitrate. The ACM switching rate is measured in dB/s and is a key feature of ACM systems.

In general, the higher the switching rate, the better the system's immunity to rapid Radial MSE changes. When the switching is being executed, the payload rate is being modified to fit the aggregated data rate to the new available link data rate.

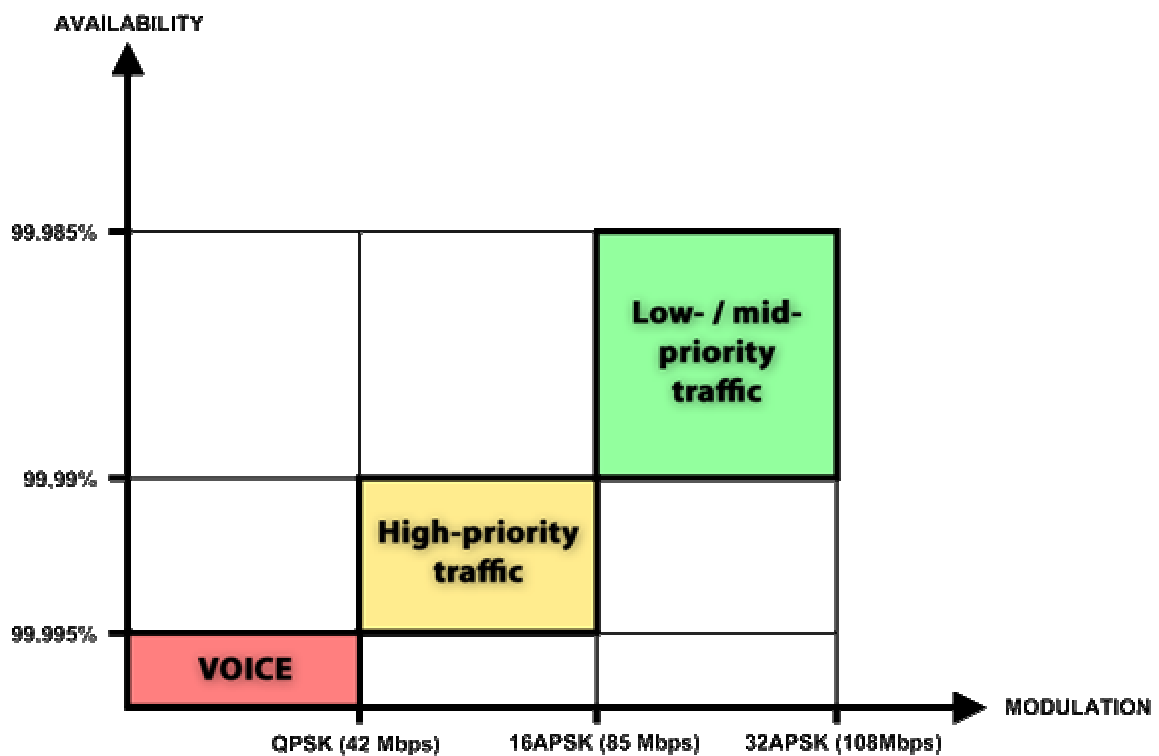
Alternatively, ACM can also be used to increase the link distance, resulting in added link spectral efficiency. The same concept is implemented as previously, with the margins that were kept for 99.995-percent bandwidth availability now used to increase the link distance. Whenever the link conditions are degraded, the system will switch to an ACM profile with lower spectral efficiency to enable maintaining the link.

The following real-world example illustrates the benefits of ACM. Consider a CFIP link operating at 23 GHz with 28 MHz channel spacing and 45.9 dB (120 cm) antenna gain. The link is operating in a moderate rain region similar to central Europe with a distance of 30 kilometers.

The system operation is set to a minimal payload of four E1 connections plus 34 Mbps Ethernet for 99.995% availability.

Using the new ACM technology, the system was able to operate most of the time at 108 Mbps, depending on the link conditions.

Most of the time system would support a 366Mbps Ethernet connection instead 69 Mbps connection. The system automatically monitors the link conditions and changes the capacity without interrupting the data transmission (hitless changes), as shown in *Figure 4.3*.



*Figure 4.3. Link availability and classes of services*

In comparison similar system using 32QAM and providing similar capacity would provide only 99,981% of availability. Besides, lack of ACM would not provide higher availability. You would have to decrease the distance, decrease modulation or increase antenna sizes to achieve 99,995% availability for the given link.

This example demonstrates how the new technology, based on an ACM mechanism, can play a key role in the development of cost-effective next-generation wireless access networks, by taking advantage of traffic evolution from synchronous TDM traffic to packet IP-based traffic.

The **Weak FEC** option allows increasing overall capacity of the link in terms of deteriorating RSL sensitivity threshold. Note, that using 32APSK with total capacity of 100Mbps, CFIP automatically uses **Strong FEC** mode with better sensitivity, but incrementally enabling E1 channels, CFIP adapts it's forward error correction, till the maximum 108Mbps capacity (100Mbps Ethernet + 4E1) is enabled and CFIP operates in **Weak FEC** mode. For more details refer to table in *Chapter 1.6*.



#### 4.1.4 Loopback configuration

Loopback tests are accessible using local or remote management methods.

For safety purposes all loopbacks (local and remote) can be set on a fixed time interval only. If no time interval is specified, the default value is 60 seconds (1 minute).

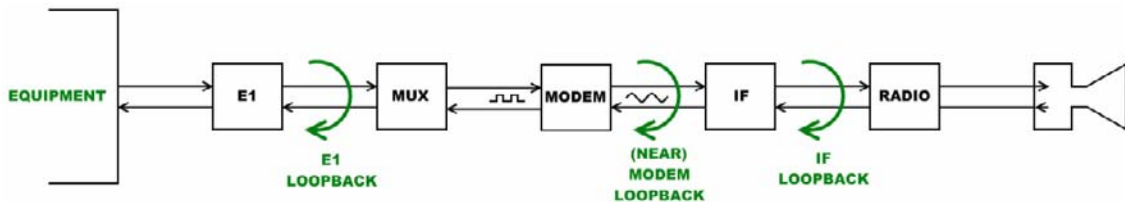


Figure 4.2. Loopback modes

- **E1** loopback mode loops signal back to local end in bounds of E1 interface. E1 loopback mode must be set on the particular channel you are wishing to test. If no E1 channels are selected, E1 loopback mode is not available;
- **NEAR** loopback mode loops signal back to local end after the modem;
- **IF** loopback mode loops signal back to local end by linking intermediate frequencies.

Loopback configuration	
Loopback	1 <input type="text" value="none"/> sec
	2 <input type="button" value="Execute configuration"/>
	3 <input type="button" value="Write to config file"/>
FODU returned:	4 Ok

1. *Loopback* - allows choosing loopback mode and its activity time in seconds (command line - **loopback** {status | none | if | modem | e1{1|2|3|4}} [time]).
2. By pressing "Execute configuration" changes made to corresponding section apply only for the local side of SAF FreeMile. If "Rollback on" is selected, configuration will be reverted in case erroneous configuration changes are applied.
3. Writes to configuration file all changes made in the whole page (command line - **cfg write**);
4. *FODU returned* - in case of error or incorrectly entered parameter value, or other problems in the whole page - info message will be displayed here. Otherwise it says "Ok".

Additional radio and modem configuration commands in Telnet/serial interface	
Command	Description
<b>modem status</b>	Shows all the modem parameters.
<b>modem configuration show</b>	Displays current configuration file.
<b>modem configuration &lt;file&gt;</b>	Uses separate configuration file.
<b>modem configuration embedded</b>	Switches back to the embedded configuration last used.
<b>modem configuration embedded</b>	Switches back to the embedded configuration last used.
<b>modem factory</b>	Resets modem settings to factory defaults.
<b>modem ipremote [on   off]</b>	Allows enabling manual remote IP specifying. By default remote IP is being obtained automatically.
<b>radio factory [max]</b>	Resets radio settings to factory defaults. By default Tx power will be turned off. 'max' option will switch Tx power to the maximum value after restart.

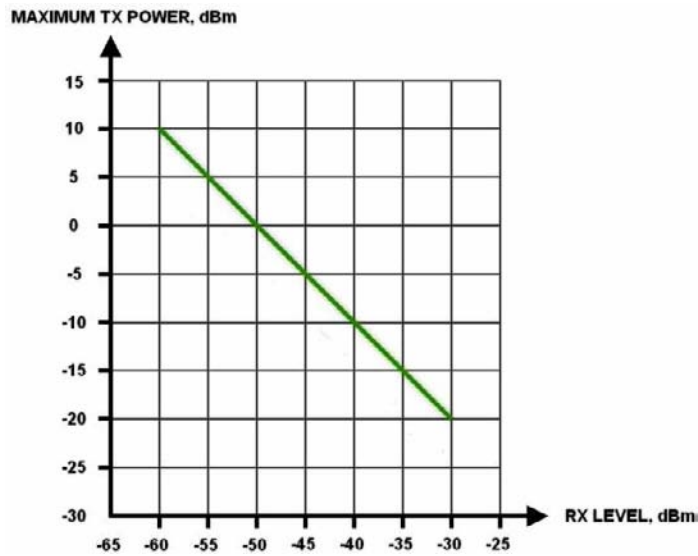


<i>Additional loopback commands in Telnet/serial interface</i>	
<i>Command</i>	<i>Description</i>
<b>Loopback status</b>	Displays status of loopback mode.
<b>Loopback</b> { <i>status / none / if / modem / e1{1/2/3/4}</i> } [ <i>&lt;time&gt;</i> ]	Sets the specified loopback mode.

### Radio frequency loopback

In order to check performance of SAF FreeMile, radio frequency loopback should be used:

- In "Tools→Command line" enter command "radio txpower -10" in order to set transmit output power to -10 dBm;
- In "Tools→Command line" enter command "loopback rf <time\_in\_second>", where " <time\_in\_seconds> " should be substituted by sufficient time of loopback operation;
- Observe Rx level during radio frequency loopback operation ("Status → Main status" → Rx level" or "System summary")
- Using chart below Tx power shouldn't be set (for ATPC) above Maximum Tx power at appropriate Rx level observed:



For example, if radio frequency loopback indicated Rx level = -55dBm, Tx power shouldn't be set above 5dBm



## 5 Miscellaneous Controls in Web Graphic User Interface

These controls are located in the Navigation Panel under the “Tools” item.

### 5.1 Configuration File

This section describes operation with SAF FreeMile configuration script.

The management module has RAM and EEPROM chips onboard. When SAF FreeMile is booted up, bootstrap is loaded from the EEPROM into RAM. The bootstrap contains the parameters that were previously stored in EEPROM using **write** and/or **cfg write** commands. These parameters are stored in EEPROM in the form of script and when booting up, the script parameters are loaded into RAM. These parameters can be freely changed in run-time, - changing the data in RAM. If the SAF FreeMile is shut down without saving the current configuration (script) in EEPROM, the original configuration will be restored from EEPROM on the next boot-up.

Example of script can be observed on the screenshot below.

The script can be edited:

- string can be added by simply entering required string (see Nr. 7 on the screenshot below) or by executing command in CLI or in the appropriate Web GUI section (the script will be supplemented with the new string or the instant string entry will be updated);
- string can be deleted by entering appropriate line number (see Nr. 2 on the screenshot below) or by using “**cfg delete <string#>**” in CLI.

The changes can be saved in EEPROM by pressing “Cfg write” button (see Nr. 3 on the screenshot below) or by entering “**cfg write**” command in CLI.

**[!] Note!** The parameters that are not specified in the configuration script will have their default values when the SAF FreeMile is restarted.

Explanation of customization fields:

The screenshot shows a web interface for configuration management. At the top, a window titled "Configuration file" displays a list of 12 configuration commands, with a red "1" pointing to the list. Below this is a "Delete entry #" field with a "Delete" button, marked with a red "2". A section titled "Configuration file commands:" contains several buttons: "Cfg write" (marked with a red "3"), "Cfg run" (marked with a red "4"), "Cfg backup" (marked with a red "5"), "Cfg restore" (marked with a red "6"), "Cfg add" (marked with a red "7"), and "Cfg factory" (marked with a red "8"). At the bottom, there is a link "To save cfg file on your computer click here." marked with a red "9".

1. Window shows contents of configuration script. Commands contained in this configuration script are executed at every system start-up (command line - *cfg show*);





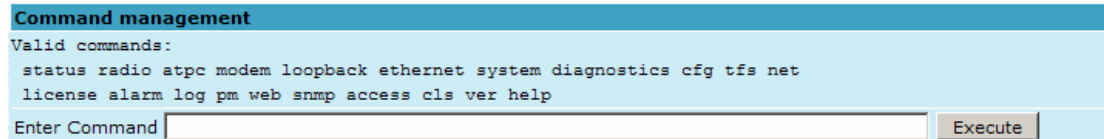
2. *Delete entry #* – allows deleting a specific line of configuration script. You must type the number represented in configuration script to proceed with deleting and press 'Delete' button (command line – ***cfg delete <line>***);
3. *Save edited configuration file* – to confirm the changes made, you must write configuration script into EEPROM, otherwise changes will not be saved (command line – ***cfg write***);
4. *Execute current configuration* – executes commands present in configuration script (command line – ***cfg run***);
5. *Input file name to backup cfg in FODU memory* – allows choosing file name under which current configuration script will be saved in the SAF FreeMile flash memory (command line – ***cfg backup <file>***);
6. *Input file name to restore cfg from FODU memory* – allows loading configuration script from previously saved backup file (command line – ***cfg restore <file>***). To view the contents of flash memory, go to 'Tools --> Command line' and type in 'tfs ls';
7. *Enter string, which you want to save in cfg* – allows you to enter desirable command, which will be added to the configuration script as the last line (command line – ***cfg add <cmdline>***);
8. *Load factory configuration file* – Resets the configuration by loading in EEPROM the script with default settings. This command performs the following actions (in the following order):
  1. clears the current script from EEPROM,
  2. creates and stores in EEPROM the new script with the following settings:
    - net ip addr 192.168.205.10 or 192.168.205.11 (as marked on the label)
    - net ip remaddr 192.168.205.11 or 192.168.205.10
    - net ip mask 255.255.255.0
    - net ip gw – 255.255.255.255 (default gateway - none)
    - SNMP trap 255.255.255.255 (none)
  3. restarts the management controller.
 (command line – ***cfg factory***);
9. *To save cfg file on your computer click here* – allows downloading configuration script and saving it on your hard drive.

<i>Additional commands for script editing in command interface</i>	
<i>Command</i>	<i>Description</i>
<b>Cfg load</b>	Loads the configuration script from EEPROM into RAM.
<b>Cfg clear</b>	Clears the script stored in RAM.
<b>Cfg insert &lt;line&gt; &lt;cmdline&gt;</b>	Inserts typed command line with specified line number into configuration script stored in RAM.
<b>Cfg cmd &lt;file with commands&gt;</b>	Restarts CPU of management controller and loads configuration script from the specified file.
<b>Cfg group</b>	Groups commands in configuration script.



## 5.2 Command Line

In the command line you are able to execute all the commands to manage the SAF FreeMile which are available through command interface. This dialog box interprets commands as Telnet commands and sends them to the device. The initial screen shows you the available commands. To view help on a command, type in "<command> ?", where <command> stands for the specific command.



<i>Additional command prompt commands</i>	
<i>Command</i>	<i>Description</i>
Cls	Clears the screen.
Help <command>	Provides help messages for commands.

## 5.3 File System

The software used by the SAF FreeMile management controller is organized in files, which are stored on Flash disk.

### Firmware and boot configuration files

The following files are required for the SAF FreeMile to start:

- 'boot.ini' file, - device boot configuration file. This file is a text file and contains the name of the firmware file which must be executed on start-up. The file name can be freely changed, but its default name is 'boot.ini'; hereinafter, it is assumed that this file has default filename. The most important factor concerning this file is that it must be uploaded with 'B' and 'e' attribute flags (flags are case sensitive!), only then it will be treated as executive script.

Attribute flags for 'boot.ini' file:

**B** - query run at boot; **e** - executive script

For information how to upload files in the Flash disk, please refer to *Chapter 7*.

- Firmware file, - this file is the main firmware executable for the appropriate SAF FreeMile model. The file name can be freely changed, but its default name will contain the version and SAF FreeMile model, e.g., 'SAF FreeMile000.elf.ezip'. The most important factor concerning this file is that it must be uploaded with 'E' and 'c' attribute flags, otherwise this file will not be used as the firmware.

Attribute flags for firmware file:

**E** - executable binary; **c** - compressed

Notes:

- The files are uploaded from PC to Flash disk using TFTP/FTP (via Ethernet management port) For more information about file upload please refer to *Chapter 7*; configuration backup files are created by SAF FreeMile management system.
- The flash disk may store other files as well, for example - previous firmware versions, configuration backup files, - up to 7.7 Mb (about 8 firmware files).
- The attribute flags for files are case sensitive.



- The file names can be changed, but it is very important that the file has the necessary attribute flags; otherwise, the file will not be used either as firmware, or as 'boot.ini' type file.
- There are no file extensions in the file system; either file, when edited, is treated as ASCII text file.
- When uploading the file, if the Flash disk stores the file with the same filename as for the file being uploaded, it will be overwritten with the new file.

### Configuration backup files

Using '*cfg backup <filename>*' command, the user can create the backup file of the current SAF FreeMile configuration. The configuration backup file is a text file and, when created, contains the current configuration script, - the same configuration script that are stored in EEPROM. Please refer to **Chapter 7** for more information on configuration script.

The configuration backup files are stored on Flash disk, where they can be edited or downloaded to PC. The backup configuration file can be applied in run-time, by consecutively entering '*cfg restore <filename>*' and '*cfg run*' commands. Note: the configuration restored from file is not stored in EEPROM and, therefore, will be lost when SAF FreeMile is restarted. To save it in EEPROM use '*write*' command.

The user can create and store several configuration files to quickly revert to other SAF FreeMile site configurations.

### Working with files

The following commands are intended to operate with files stored on the Flash disk on the management controller.

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tfs edit <file>	Edits the specified file. This command is applied for editing configuration backup files and boot configuration file (boot.ini). For example,  <i>edit boot.ini,Be</i>  - file 'boot.ini' will be opened for editing. 'Be' specifies that this file will be saved with attributes 'B' and 'e'. If boot.ini file is intended to be modified, it should always be opened specifying 'B' and 'e' flags as in the example above, this will ensure that file is saved with these attributes (flags).  To close the file and save changes press Ctrl+Z, to close the file without saving changes press Ctrl+Q.  The configuration backup files do not require specific attributes.
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tfs ls	Displays the list of files stored on the Flash disk and the number of bytes, both free and used by these files.  'tfs dir' can also be used.
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tfs cat <filename>	Displays the contents of the text file.  'tfs type' can also be used.
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tfs del <filename>	Deletes the specified file from Flash disk.  'tfs rm' can also be used.
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## 5.4 Security Commands

### General tips

Telnet server supports one user only, web server supports up to 32 users simultaneously.



By default the username and password for Web server, FTP server and Telnet terminal is:

- Username (login): *admin*
- Password: *changeme*

The username and password can be changed in Web GUI "System configuration → User configuration"

`'access set <username> <password> [plaintext]` command.

Take note of upper case and lower case type: it should be taken into account for the password!

The passwords may contain spaces; if using space(s), the password should be entered in quotation marks.

For Telnet, FTP and Web GUI the password can be changed by simply entering the security command `'access set <username> <password> [plaintext]` while logged on and then saving the configuration in EEPROM by using `'write'` command.

To terminate Telnet session press Ctrl+D.

**(!)** "Guest" account is unable to change its access password.

**(!)** Specification of the password should always be followed by saving the configuration script (using `"cfg write"` command); otherwise, the password request will be ignored after the restart of SAF FreeMile.



## 6 Updating Software

To simplify the software update process, SAF Tehnika provides special update package, as a new version is available. This update pack is available as archive (e.g. zip), which includes firmware file (with \*.elf.ezip extension), boot configuration file (with \*.ini extension) and other files needed for update process. To receive update pack, please contact your SAF Tehnika distributor.

The main method for software upgrade is Web GUI software upgrade, which automates the whole software upgrade process. To perform software upgrade from Web GUI, please go to "Configuration → System configuration" and in "Upgrade software" section press "Browse..." button and locate software upgrade file (e.g. SAF FreeMile000.elf.ezip) on your hard disc (see Chapter 4.2.4 for detailed explanation of Web GUI upgrade).

Upgrade software	
Choose file:	<input type="text"/> <input type="button" value="Browse..."/> <input type="button" value="Upgrade"/>
System returned:	Ok

Besides there are other various ways how the user can update the SAF FreeMile management software by uploading the appropriate firmware file to the SAF FreeMile flash disk and further editing boot configuration file if necessary. The file upload can be performed:

- via Ethernet management port using update package,
- via Ethernet management port using FTP, or
- via Ethernet management port using TFTP.

*Following chapters* describe other methods how to update the software.

### 6.1 Update Software with Update Pack

To update SAF FreeMile software using the update pack, proceed as follows:

- uncompress the package;
- change the SAF FreeMile IP address to 192.168.205.10, *or* edit 'send.205.xx' files by replacing "192.168.205.10" with actual SAF FreeMile IP address;

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send.205.10 - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
arp -d
tftp.exe 192.168.205.10 put boot.ini,Be
tftp.exe 192.168.205.10 put cfip000.elf.ezip,Ec
rem tftp.exe 192.168.205.10 put help.txt
    
```

- **arp -d** *ip\_addr* [*if\_addr*] deletes the host specified by *ip\_addr*. If another host with a duplicate IP address exists on the network, the ARP cache may have had the MAC address for the other computer placed in it. **arp -d** is used to delete an entry that may be incorrect. By default no host is specified.
- **rem tftp.exe 192.168.205.10 put help.txt** prefix ignores command execution
- **tftp.exe 192.168.205.10 put SAF FreeMile000.elf.ezip,Ec** uploads firmware file named 'SAF FreeMile000.elf.ezip' with attribute flags 'E' and 'c' to host SAF FreeMile with IP address 192.168.205.10.





- '-i' – key which specifies that file must be transferred in binary image transfer mode;
- '192.168.205.11' – SAF FreeMile Ethernet management port IP address (host);
- 'C:\files\SAF FreeMile000.elf.ezip' – firmware file (source);
- 'SAF FreeMile001.elf.ezip' –file name in the SAF FreeMile flash memory (destination);
- 'Ec' – file attribute flags 'E' and 'c'; the attribute flags are separated from file name or source with comma (only comma and no space) and there are no commas or spaces between flags;

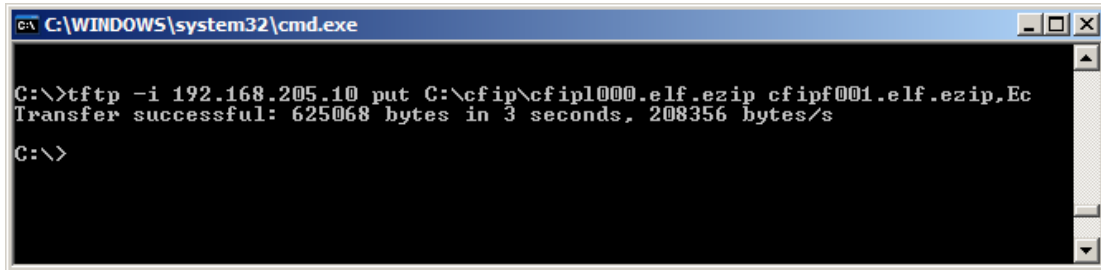


Figure 7.1.

5. If uploaded file is large (like firmware file), it is recommended to defragment Flash disk. Use *'tfs clean'* command from Telnet or ASCII terminal to perform defragmentation.
6. If the uploaded file is the firmware file which should be used by SAF FreeMile, it is necessary to edit 'boot.ini' file by deleting the entry with the old file name and to write file name of the new firmware file; the 'boot.ini' file must be saved with 'B' and 'e' flags (file attributes). For more information how to edit files, please refer to the chapter *Working with files* in **Chapter 6.4**.

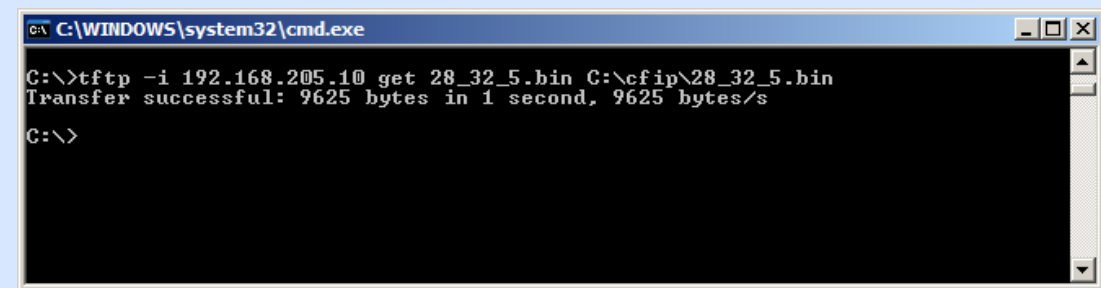
**(!)** To copy file from SAF FreeMile Flash disk to PC hard disk via TFTP, use the following command:

**tftp -i 192.168.205.11 get filename destination\_filename**

where

'192.168.205.11' – SAF FreeMile port IP address (host);

'filename' – file to be copied from SAF FreeMile to PC; 'destination\_filename' – destination path where the file will be saved on PC hard disk.



### 6.3 Uploading File via Ethernet Management Port (FTP)

Before uploading file via FTP, make sure the SAF FreeMile FTP server is running. To start it, go to 'Configuration → IP configuration' in Web GUI and press 'Start FTP':



IP services	
FTP service	<input type="button" value="Start FTP"/>
TFTP service	<input type="button" value="Start TFTP"/>

1. Open command window.
2. Start FTP client by entering "**ftp**" command ("**ftp>**" prompt will appear).
3. Connect to SAF FreeMile FTP server using command "**open** <SAF FreeMile\_IP\_address>". Type in username and password when prompted (by default username is *admin* and password is *changeme*).
4. Enter the command "**type binary**" to make sure the binary transfer mode is selected.
5. Use command "**send** <local file> <remote file>, <flags>" to upload files to SAF FreeMile Flash disk. For example:

```
send c:\boot.ini boot.ini,Be
```

Use flags 'E' and 'c' if the file is a firmware file; if the file is a boot configuration file (boot.ini), the flags must be 'B' and 'e' ('**Be**'); the flags for configuration backup files may not be specified.

Use command "**ls**" to list files on SAF FreeMile flash disk.

Use command "**delete** <filename>" to delete the file from the SAF FreeMile Flash disk.

6. Proceed with steps 5. and 6. in **Chapter 7.1**.

You can also use any preferable FTP client if you wish.



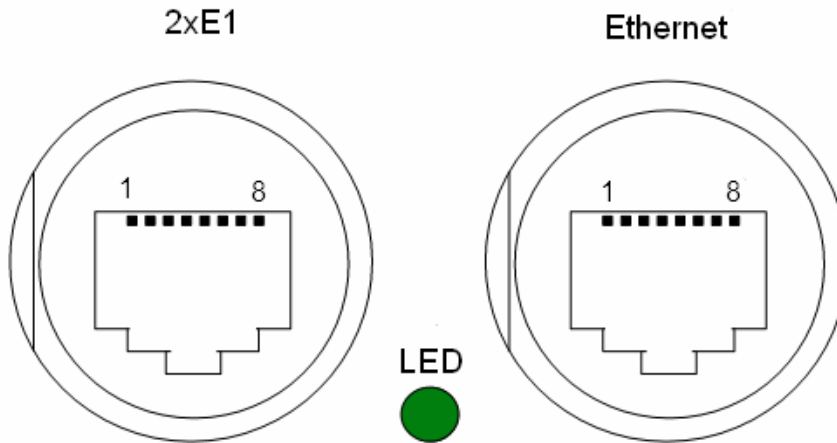


## 7 Pinouts

### 7.1 Sealed RJ45 sockets

One RJ45 socket of FreeMile interface is for Ethernet data transfer and power supply, the second one is for 2xE1 data transfer and for RSSI.

The pinouts of both sockets are shown in the figure below. The drawing is made according to position of RJ45 ports on FreeMile interface.



RJ45, 2xE1	
1, 4	TX A
2, 5	TX B
3, 7	RX A/RSSI -/+
6, 8	RX B/RSSI -/+

RJ45, Ethernet	
1, 2	RX
3, 6	TX
4, 5	DC +
7, 8	DC -



### Available Accessories

	
<p>PoE injector &amp; surge protector P/N: I0ATPI04</p>	<p>Grounding cable P/N: Z0AK6001</p>
	
<p>FODU RJ45 connector 8P shield solid P/N FOACNR02</p>	<p>O-ring - rubber gasket to be fitted between antenna and FODU CLA0R001</p>
	
<p>Test kit for 24GHz C24TST02</p>	<p>FODU RJ45 LTW cable connector case P/N FOACNR03</p>
	
<p>Surge protector for 2xE1 P/N: F0ALA001</p>	



## 8 List of Abbreviations

- 3G** – third generation
- AC** – Alternating Current
- ACI** – Adjacent-Channel Interference
- ACM** – Adaptive Coding and Modulation
- AGC** – Automatic Gain Control
- QAM** – Amplitude and Phase Shift Keying
- ASCII** – American Standard Code for Information Interchange
- ATPC** – Automatic Transmit Power Control
- BER** – Bit-Error Ratio
- BNC connector** – Bayonet Neill-Concelman coaxial connector
- CCI** – Co-Channel Interference
- CLI** – Command-Line Interface
- CPU** – Central Processing Unit
- CRC** – Cyclic Redundancy Check
- DC** – Direct Current
- DiffServ** – Differentiated Services
- DSCP** – Differentiated Services Code Point
- EEPROM** – Electrically Erasable Programmable Read-Only Memory
- EMI** – Electromagnetic Interference
- ETS** – European Telecommunication Standard
- ETSI** – European Telecommunications Standards Institute
- FIR** – Finite Impulse Response
- FO** – Fiber Optics
- FODU** – Full Outdoor Unit
- FTP** – File Transfer Protocol
- GFP** – Generic Framing Procedure
- GND** – Ground
- GSM** – Global System for Mobile communications
- GUI** – Graphical User Interface
- IEEE** – Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
- IF** – Intermediate Frequency
- ISP** – Internet Service Provider
- ITU-T** – International Telecommunication Union – Telecommunication Standardization Sector
- LAN** – Local Area Network
- LDPC** – Low-Density Parity-Check Code
- LED** – Light-Emitting Diode
- LTE** – Long-Term Evolution
- MAC** – Media Access Control
- MSE** – Mean Square Error
- NMS** – Network Management System
- PC** – Personal Computer
- PDH** – Plesiochronous Digital Hierarchy



- PLL – Phase-Locked Loop
- PoE – Power over Ethernet
- QAM – Quadrature amplitude modulation
- QoS – Quality of Service
- QPSK – Quadrature Phase-Shift Keying
- RAM – Random Access Memory
- RSL – Received Signal Level
- RSSI – Received Signal Strength Indicator
- Rx – Receive
- SNMP – Simple Network Management Protocol
- SNR – Signal-to-Noise Ratio
- STP – Spanning Tree Protocol
- STM-1 – Synchronous Transport Module - 1
- TCP/IP – Internet Protocol Suite (Transmission Control Protocol / Internet Protocol)
- TDM – Time-Division Multiplexing
- TFTP – Trivial File Transfer Protocol
- TM – Tide Mark
- TP – Twisted Pair
- TS – Threshold Seconds
- Tx – Transmission
- UART – Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter
- USB – Universal Serial Bus
- UTP – Unshielded Twisted Pair
- VLAN – Virtual Local Area Network
- WAN – Wide Area Network



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