

Replacing the MiniTiouner



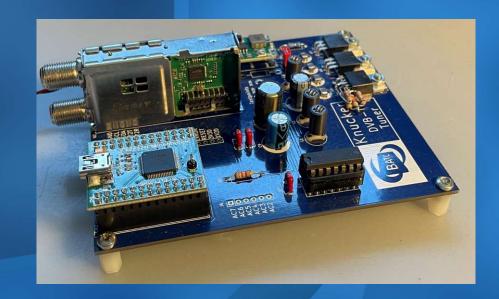
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Topics

- Why
- Initial Thoughts
- Promising options
- What next





Why?



- Serit FTS-4335 and FTS-4334
- Most capable known tuner for RB-TV
- Production has ceased last buy 400
- ICs no longer available?
- No simple replacement



Initial Thoughts

- 1) New software for an existing tuner
- 2) Build a new tuner and new software
- 3) SDR or tuner chip and custom FPGA and new software
- 4) SDR with custom software on PC or Raspberry Pi 5?



New Information

- ICs in FTS-4335 may be available
- Si2166D Demodulator used in SF8008 is available
- SDRAngel is usable, but fiddly



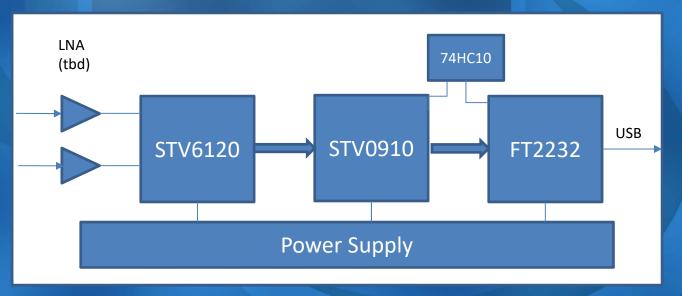
Investigations

- Can we source chips and build an "FTS-4334 look-alike"?
- How practical is it to use an Si2166D?
- Could there be a more usable version of SDRAngel?



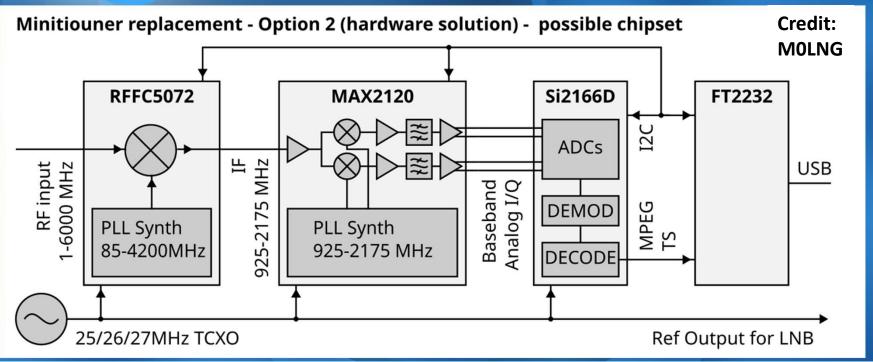
Single PCB

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Proposed Si2166D Tuner





SDRAngel or Similar

- "DATVAngel" ?
- Raspberry Pi 5 unlikely to be suitable
- High-end PC: Windows/Linux?
- Needs to have auto-FEC
- Performance penalty?



Current Activity

- Checking availability of supply
- Working through potential performance issues
- Estimating costs
- Manufacture/sales model?

