

BrandMeister & TetraPack

RoIP in Practice

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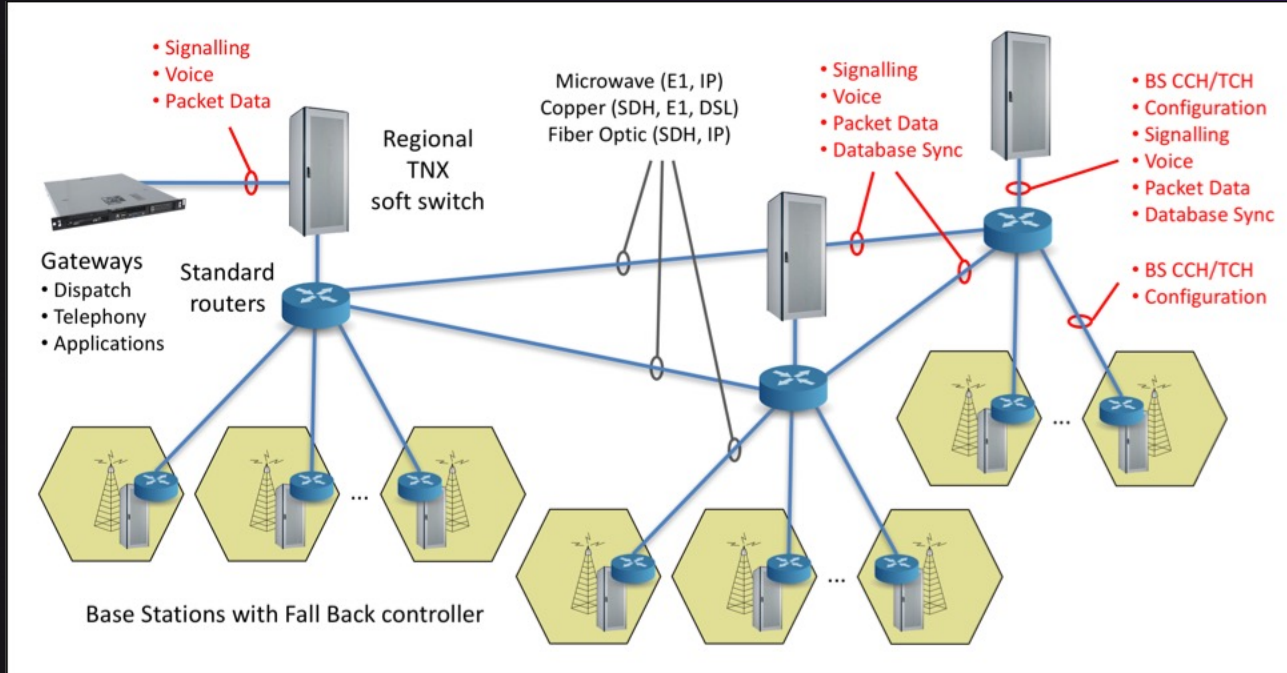
Overview

- **Our research and development is done using Rohill R-8060 and TetraNode 2.28.37**
- **TetraNode system contains following components:**
 - Base station transceiver (BSS) module with IP connectivity
 - TetraNode eXchange (TNX) SwMI which is normally a Linux-based server
 - Several optional systems such as Dispatch Server, Logging Server, etc.
- **Each TNX can handle traffic from BSSs on different sites**
- **TNXs could form a redundant distributed network**
- **Normally applications should be connected to TNX using proprietary TIGv2 protocol**



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Network topology



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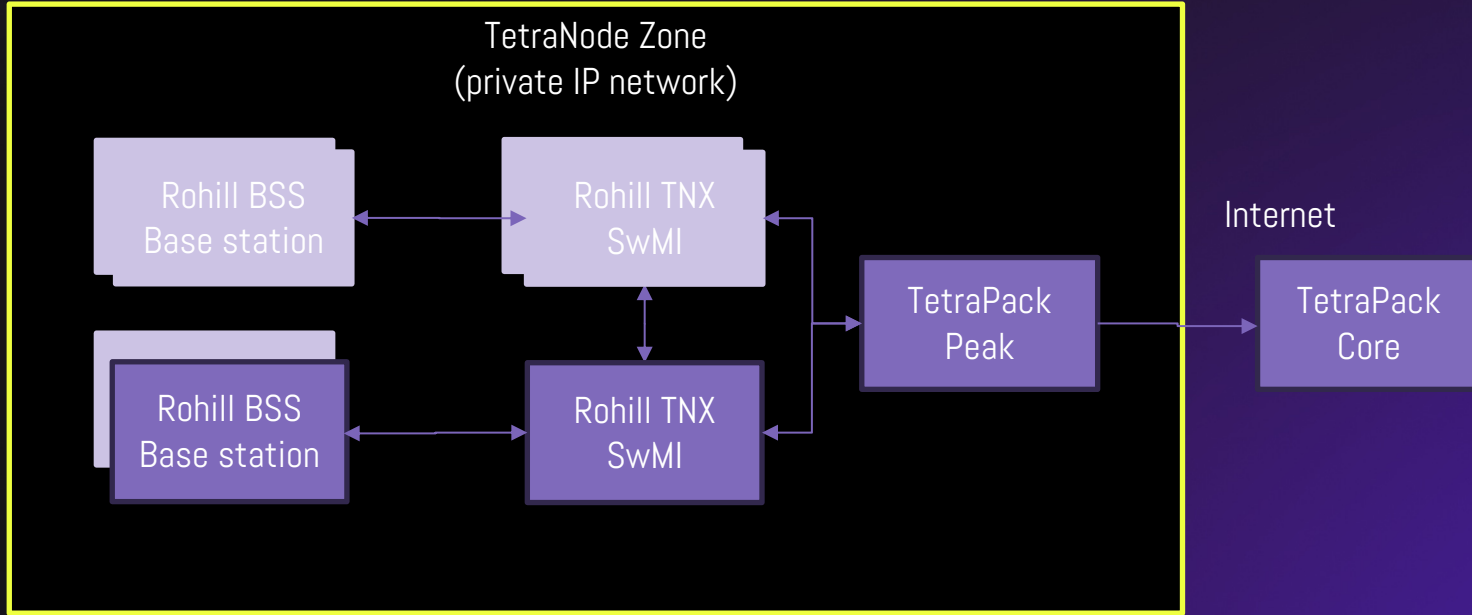
Integration

- **We decided to avoid TIGv2**
 - TIGv2 uses XML over UDP for everything, mostly very abstracted from TETRA-specific
 - TIG is very restrictive, allows to emit traffic from limited ISSIs
 - Requires licensing by capacity
- **We decided to emulate TNX through Internode protocol**
 - Covers our typical cases for TetraPack integration
 - Has many advantages such as database synchronization and ISSIs routing
 - Less CPU overhead on message processing
- **Internode protocol**
 - Proprietary
 - Uses XML over UDP only for (automatic) discovery and keep-alive
 - Uses own UDPCP-based transport and proprietary IPC

TetraPack Peak

- Client software to connect Rohill TetraNode zones
- Emulates Rohill TetraNode, supports up to 61 nodes in zone
- Has next requirements for zone:
 - TetraPack Peak should be run inside TNX' private network
 - It requires separated Debian Linux host with amd64 or arm64 architecture (could be dedicated PC, Raspberry PI or virtual machine)
 - All TNX nodes inside zone have to use numeric node names from 1 to 62
 - TetraPack phone trunks should have numeric names that equal to corresponding ISSIs (16777184, 16777186)
 - At least TetraNode 2.28
 - Good license to pass as much ISSIs as possible :)
 - Every ISSI to be accepted by TNX from TetraPack should be added to TNX database (e.g. to make a Group Call, every ID involved in the call needs to be in TNX database)
- <https://wiki.tetrapack.online/books/tetra/page/tetranode>

Rohill TetraNode + TetraPack Peak





TETRAPACK

Brew: open-sourced connectivity

Open-source TETRA?

Several groups of TETRA enthusiasts wanted hotspots

- From early experiments to working tools
 - Early open-source stack from Osmocom – osmocom-tetra
 - rust-soapysdr by Tatu Peltola
 - Affordable SDR-based setups

USRP, LimeSDR, LimeSDR Mini or SXceiver

- A practical implementation finally arrived
 - tetra-bluestation by Midnight Blue (published in the fall 2025)

<https://github.com/MidnightBlueLabs/tetra-bluestation>



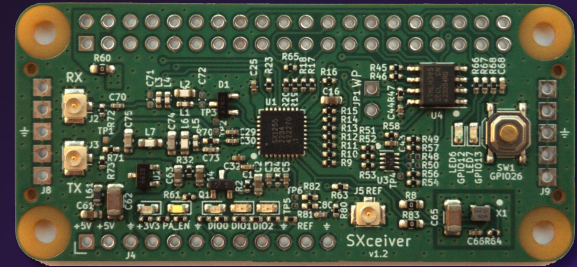
PA1WBU's compact homebrew cell

What is Brew?

Our-own open protocol for TETRA cells and client connectivity

- Based on WebSocket transport
 - Good NAT traversal
 - TCP_NODELAY, TCP_QUICKACK
 - HTTP Digest Access Authentication
- Suitable for
 - Home-made TMO cells
 - Dispatch console / monitoring (hoseline)
- Announced in spring 2025
- Specification is still evolving (not yet stable)

<https://wiki.tetrapack.online/books/tetra/page/brew>



Next steps?

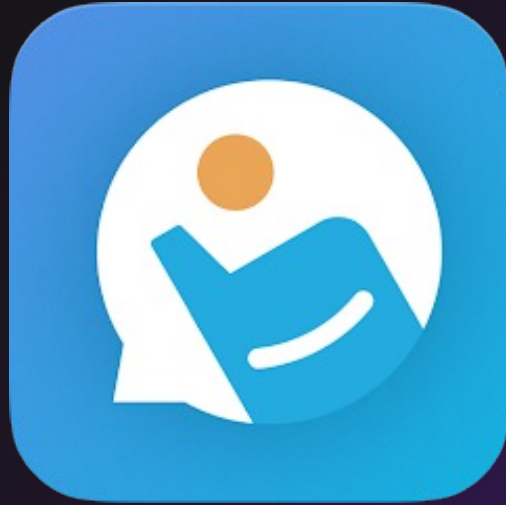


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Midnight Blue native support

- Early public work appeared on GitHub in February 2026
- Since February 2026 few open-source developers joined
- Community decided to use Brew as a base for interconnect
- We are staying in contact to implement native support on both sides

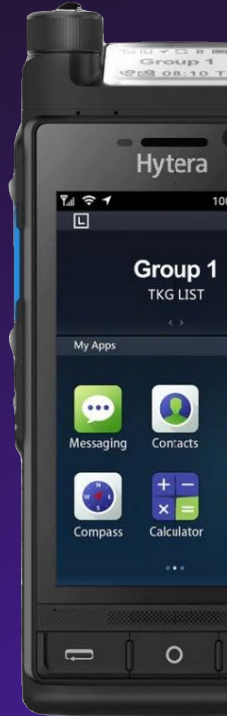
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RoIP and HyTalk in Practice

Hytera RoIP - Overview

- Hytera RoIP was introduced on PDC760 in 2018
- BrandMeister implemented production support immediately
- Core concept: convergence between narrowband DMR and IP domain
- If narrowband DMR is available, terminal operates in DMR domain
- If narrowband DMR is not available, terminal moves to IP domain
- Result: communication continuity across RF coverage changes



Hytera HyTalk - Overview

- HyTalk has been in commercial PoC use since late 2018
- Core idea: communication entirely over IP (cellular or Wi-Fi)
- Primary target: pure IP terminals, smartphones, bodycams and tablets
- Convergent radios are supported as an additional package in hybrid deployments
- HyTalk MC branch was launched in 2020 for mission-critical MCX evolution

Sources: [hytera.com](https://www.hytera.com) case studies (Saudi/Max Media) and HyTalk MC launch post (2020)



Business Model Difference: RoIP vs HyTalk

Aspect	RoIP	HyTalk
Core model	Convergence model: DMR + IP continuity	Pure IP service model
Primary domain	RF DMR first, IP as continuity path	IP only (cellular / Wi-Fi)
Provisioning	Offline provisioning / MDM (codeplug / CPS workflow)	Online provisioning at connection time. Real-time configuration reload
Group management	Managed per terminal via codeplug profile	Managed centrally on platform/server side
Operations	Device/radio-centric field operations	Platform-centric central operations
Audience	Radio-centric fleets that need RF continuity	IP-first users: phones, tablets, bodycams, IP terminals
Business fit	Protects existing DMR investment; gradual migration	Fast centralized scaling and policy control

HyTalk vs DMR RoIP vs TETRA RoIP

Aspect	HyTalk	DMR RoIP	TETRA RoIP
Service model	PoC	PoC + auto switch DMR/PoC	Pure TETRA call control over IP
Control protocol	2.x: PNAS 3.x: PNAS2	v1: SIP + OMA PoC floor control v2: PNAS v3: PNAS2	PTTC (proxy to ACAPI)
Transport	2.x: TCP 3.x: KCP/UDP (3.1/3.2 differ)	v1: SIP stack v2: TCP v3: KCP/UDP	TCP
Provisioning	Online provisioning (HTTP)	No equivalent online provisioning in baseline flow	Via TETRA vendor tooling
GPS/Data	3.1: XMPP 3.2: GTRP/TCP	v1: NMEA/UDP v2: not researched	
Notes	3.2 adds KCP segment aggregation	v1 -> v3 shift from SIP to proprietary PNAS2	Different model vs PoC stacks

DMR RoIP vs TETRA RoIP: Practical Difference

- Despite similar marketing positioning and similar GUI, these are not the same product internally
- DMR RoIP and TETRA RoIP are two different implementations from different development teams
- DMR RoIP is based on HyTalk PoC service logic
- TETRA RoIP is based on native TETRA Call Control over IP
- Operationally, they require different planning, troubleshooting, and lifecycle management
- Conclusion: treat them as two separate integration tracks, not one unified RoIP stack



Supported in BrandMeister & TetraPack

- DMR RoIP v1 – since BrandMeister Core 20180601-033505 as Hytera PTT, PDC760 firmware 1.2+
- DMR RoIP v2 – since BrandMeister Core 20190919-1033xx as Hytera PNAS, PDC760 firmware 2.5+
- DMR RoIP v3, HyTalk 3.x – since BrandMeister Core 20251218-112614 as Hytera HyTalk/RoIP, PDCxx0 firmware 2.5+
- TETRA RoIP – TetraPack Core 2024/Q3, PTC760 firmware 3.x+

- **ALL VERSIONS ARE STILL SUPPORTED**

- <https://wiki.brandmeister.network/index.php/Hytera/PDC760>
- <https://wiki.brandmeister.network/index.php/Hytera/HytalkPoc>
- <https://wiki.tetrapack.online/books/tetra/page/ptc760-and-ptc680>

HyTalk devices

- PDC/PDC-series – HyTalk is available as installable packages
- PNC/P-series – built-in support



QRadioLink
DMR tier III trunking
controller GUI for MMDVM

QRadioLink TMRTC

- Proof-of-concept implementation of a DMR tier III trunked radio controller GUI
- Licenced under the GPL v3 and is primarily intended for amateur radio and educational use
- Intended to work together with modified version of DMRGateway, MMDVMHost-SDR, MMDVM-SDR and QRadioLink in order to create a DMR tier III radio site
- Directly integrated with BrandMeister for the best- effort service

<https://github.com/qradiolink/dmrtc/issues/5>

The screenshot displays the 'DMR tier III Trunking controller' interface. The main window is titled 'RF channel usage' and is divided into two columns: 'Timelot 1' and 'Timelot 2'. The interface shows three RF channels, each with a status icon and usage information.

RF channel	Timelot 1	Timelot 2
RF channel 1	Control channel	Usage: Network call 2356236 --> 1000235 M7FGZ Antony Longitude: -2.20863, Latitude: 53.5615, Error: < 2m
RF channel 2	Usage: Network call 3146347 - KD0TIG - Brian L --> 1003100	Usage: Network call 3130271 - KD9MHB - Cory --> 1000091 KD9MHB Ã (UTF-16)
RF channel 3	Usage: Local call 2268018 - YO8RZZ - Adrian --> 9990	Usage: Free 0 --> 0

On the right side, there is a 'Registered radios' panel listing two radios:

- 2260319 - YO8RZZ - Adrian
- 2268018 - YO8RZZ - Adrian

Thank you!