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- Switch transverter band when band changed in N1MM
  - Separate relay for each band, using Sainsmart Relay Board
- Cover 50 MHz thru 76 GHz
- Use USB serial port for communications between N1MM and the Arduino
  - Use OTRSP (Open Two Radio Switching Protocol)
    - Developed by Paul Young, K1XM

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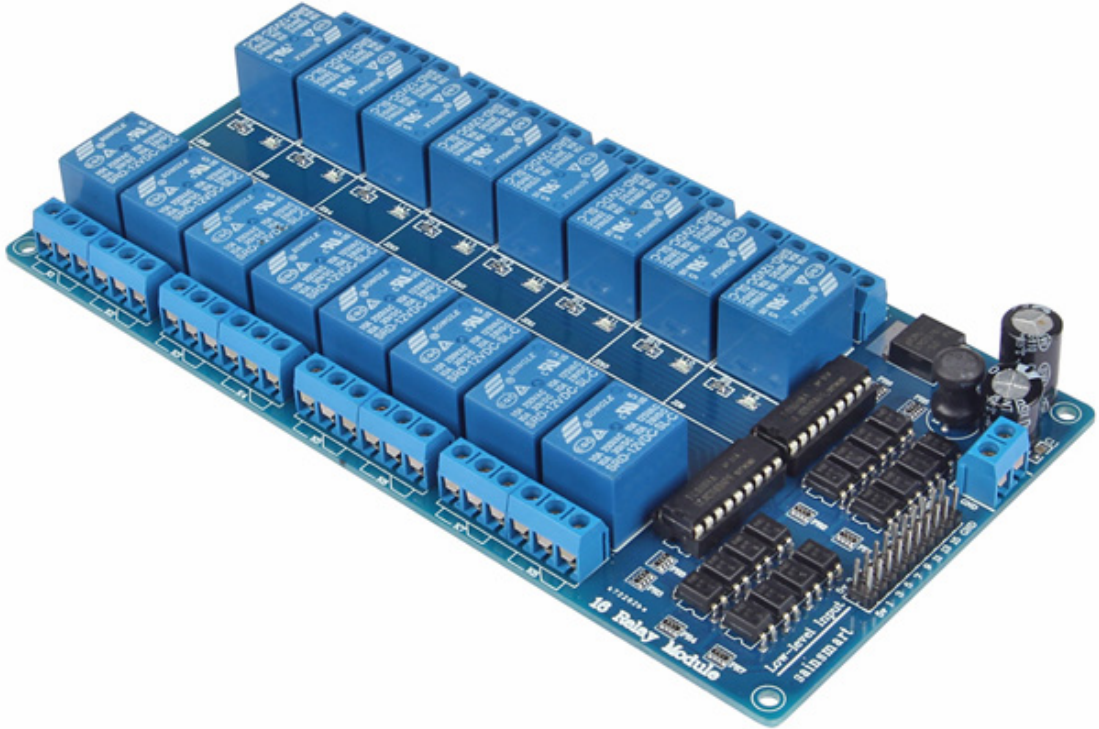
- 50 MHz-76 GHz → 13 bands → 13 GPIO pins
- Uses 19% (6366 of 32256 available bytes for Uno) of program storage space <Flash>)
- Uses 24% (511 of 2048 available bytes for Uno) of SRAM (static random access memory), where variables are placed
- UNO has sufficient GPIO pins and memory

SainSmart 16 Channel 12V Relay Module



OTRSP

- For this project, need only one-way communication from N1MM to Arduino
- Need only to send N1MM-Radio-Number (n) and Band (bb)
- In OTRSP-speak, this is sent as “AUXnbb”
  - n is either “1” or “2” and bb is 00 – 12
  - bb is defined via N1MM Configure page
  - e.g for Radio 1 and 222 MHz, “AUX102” will be sent by N1MM

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Port	Radio	Digi	CW/Other	Details
None	TS-2000	☐	☐	Set
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COM11	None	☐	☑	Set
COM35	None	☐	☐	Set
COM2	None	☐	☑	Set
None	None	☐	☐	Set
None	None	☐	☐	Set
None	None	☐	☐	Set
LPT1			☐	Set
LPT2			☐	Set
LPT3			☐	Set

○ SO1V ○ SO2V ◉ SO2R

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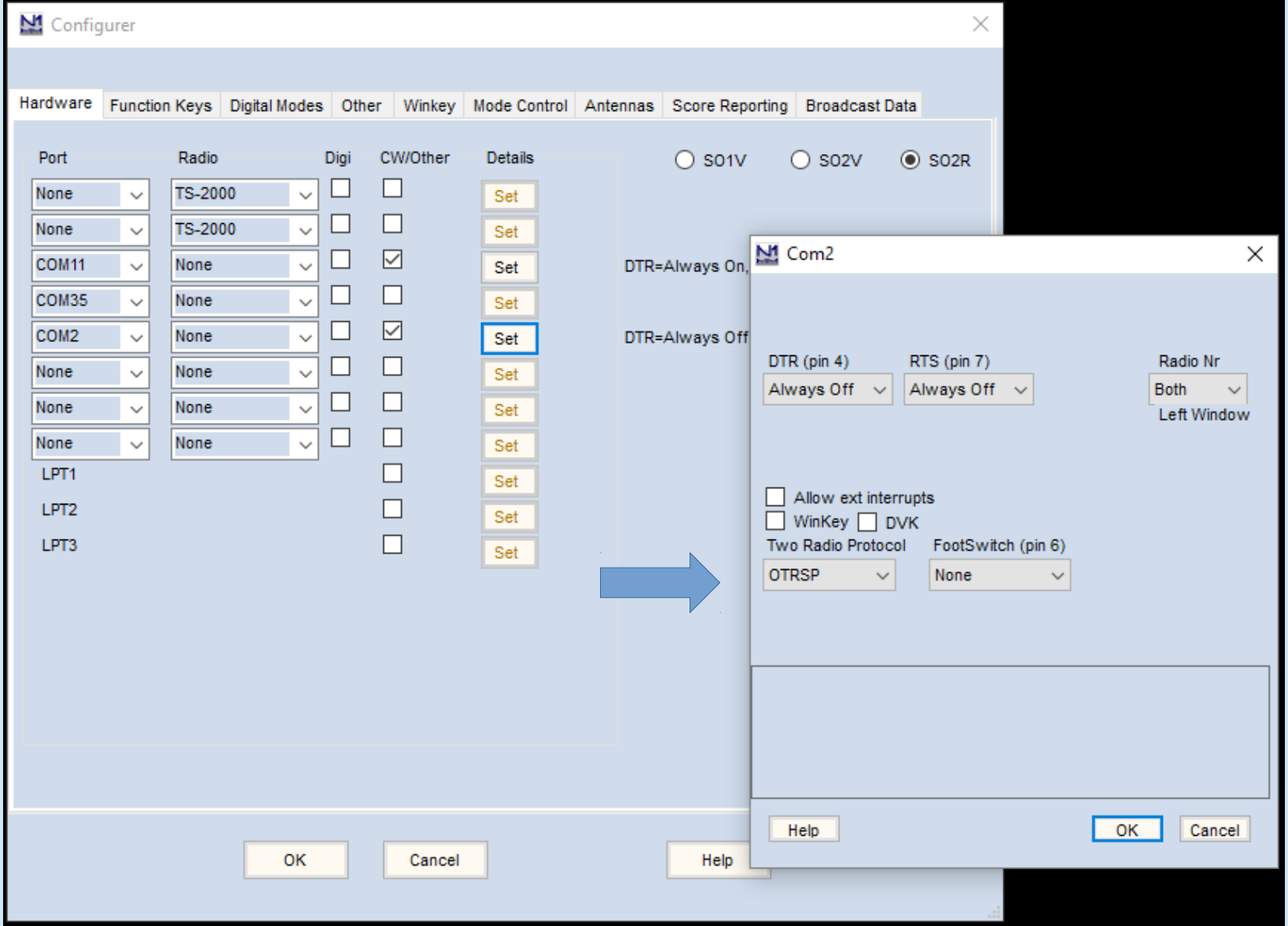
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RTS (pin 7)
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Radio Nr
Both
Left Window
Allow ext interrupts
WinKey
DVK
Two Radio Protocol
OTRSP
FootSwitch (pin 6)
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Code	Antenna	Bands (1.8, 3.5, 7, 14,...)	Rotor Description	Offset	Bidirectional
0	50	50			☐
1	144	144			☐
2	222	222			☐
3	432	432			☐
4	902	902			☐
5	1296	1296			☐
6	2304	2304			☐
7	3456	3456			☐
8	5760	5760			☐
9	10368	10368			☐
10	24192	24192			☐
11	47000	47000			☐
12	76000	76000			☐
13					☐
14					☐
15					☐

☐ Start N1MM Rotor Program ☐ Display Rotors Used By This Station ☐ Display Rotors Responding From Network

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Demo of
Arduino N1MM Transverter Bandswitch

Programming Steps - General

1) Include libraries containing classes with external functions (Optional)
2) Define variables and constants (Optional)
3) Setup ()

    Define and initialize GPIO pins / Analog I/O pins

    Define, start, serial port(s), Ethernet port(s)

4) Loop()

    Receive input from ports / GPIO pins / Analog pins

    Parse / process data to extract desired information

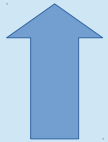
    Use information derived from data to perform desired task (e.g. switch GPIO pins) or to send information to client computer

5) From within Loop(), call other functions() as needed (Optional)

Arduino Example

Include Libraries

```
4
5 //include string handling library
6 #include <string.h>
```



Preprocessor directive to include string.h library

Arduino Example

Define **Variables** and Constants

```
8  //define variables
9  String commandInputString = "";          // input buffer string to hold incoming data
10 boolean commandStringComplete = false;  // true when the input string is complete
11 String command = "";  // incoming data string for parsing
12
```

Arduino Example

Define Variables and **Constants**

```
15 //define constant pin aliases
16 const int Pin50 = 2; //number of 50 MHz pin
17 const int Pin144 = 3; //number of 144 MHz pin
18 const int Pin222 = 4; //number of 222 MHz pin
19 const int Pin432 = 5; //number of 432 MHz pin
20 const int Pin902 = 6; //number of 902 MHz pin
21 const int Pin1296 = 8; //number of 1296 MHz pin
22 const int Pin2304 = A5; //number of 2304 MHz pin
23 const int Pin3G = A4; //number of 3GHz pin
24 const int Pin5G = A3; //number of 5GHz pin
25 const int Pin10G = A2; //number of 10GHz pin
26 const int Pin24G = A1; //number of 24GHz pin
27 const int Pin47G = A0; //number of 47GHz pin
28 const int Pin76G = 7; //number of 76GHz pin
```

Arduino Example
Setup (): Define and Initialize GPIO pins

```
30 void setup() {
31
32 // define GPIO pins as output pins
33 pinMode(Pin50,OUTPUT);
34 pinMode(Pin144,OUTPUT);
35 pinMode(Pin222,OUTPUT);
36 pinMode(Pin432,OUTPUT);
37 pinMode(Pin902,OUTPUT);
38 pinMode(Pin1296,OUTPUT);
39 pinMode(Pin2304,OUTPUT);
40 pinMode(Pin3G,OUTPUT);
41 pinMode(Pin5G,OUTPUT);
42 pinMode(Pin10G,OUTPUT);
43 pinMode(Pin24G,OUTPUT);
44 pinMode(Pin47G,OUTPUT);
45 pinMode(Pin76G,OUTPUT);
```

```
47 //initialize all GPIO pin values to low
48 digitalWrite(Pin50,LOW);
49 digitalWrite(Pin144,LOW);
50 digitalWrite(Pin222,LOW);
51 digitalWrite(Pin432,LOW);
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Arduino Example
Setup (): Define, Start, Flush Serial Port

```
62  // define, start, flush serial port Serial 0
63  // VHF log will send commands to this port
64   Serial.begin(9600, SERIAL_8N1); // 9600/8/N/1
65   Serial.println("N1MM Bandswitch");
66   Serial.println("By W3SZ");
67   Serial.println("Uses USB-Serial Port and OTRSP Protocol");
68   Serial.println("50 MHz thru 76 GHz");
69   delay(100);
70
71   Serial.flush(); // clear buffers
72 }
```

Serial class is part of the Arduino Language

- No need to add library. Members include:

  If(Serial)

  available

  availableForWrite

  begin

  end

  find

  findUntil

  flush

  parseFloat

  parseInt

  peek

  print

  println

  read

  readBytes

  readBytesUntil

  setTimeout

  write

  serialEvent

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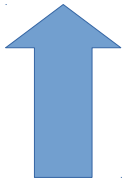

Serial.begin(var1, var2) var1 sets the data rate in bits per second. An optional second argument var2 configures the data, parity, and stop bits. The default is 8 data bits, no parity, one stop bit. Returns nothing.

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Serial.println(data) Prints data to the serial port as human-readable ASCII text followed by a carriage return character (ASCII 13, or '\r') and a newline character (ASCII 10, or '\n'). Returns the number of bytes written.

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Serial.flush() Waits for the transmission of outgoing serial data to complete. Returns nothing.

```
71    Serial.flush(); // clear buffers
72  }
```

Arduino Example
Loop(): Receive Input from Serial Port
Parse Data to Extract Desired Information
Use Extracted Data to Bandswitch Transverters
Call Other Functions as Needed

- Special built-in function called **serialEvent()** runs at the end of each Loop() if there is new serial data received
- Lets look at this function before examining Loop() itself

Arduino Example

Call Other Functions as Needed
Receive Input from Serial Port

```
333 void serialEvent() {
334
335   char commandInChar;
336
337   while (Serial.available()) { // interrupt generated by hardware serial port
338      // get the new byte:
339      commandInChar = (char)Serial.read();
340
341    // add it to the commandInputString:
342    commandInputString += commandInChar;  // append
343    // look for a carriage return
344    // so the main loop can do something about it:
345    if (commandInChar == '\r') { // the commands all end with a CR
346        commandStringComplete = true;
347    }
348   }
349  }
```

Arduino Example

Call Other Functions as Needed
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334
335   char commandInChar;
336
337   while (Serial.available()) { // interrupt generated by hardware serial port
```

Serial.available() Gets the number of bytes (characters) available for reading from the serial port. This is data that's already arrived and stored in the serial receive buffer (which holds 64 bytes). Returns the number of bytes available to read.

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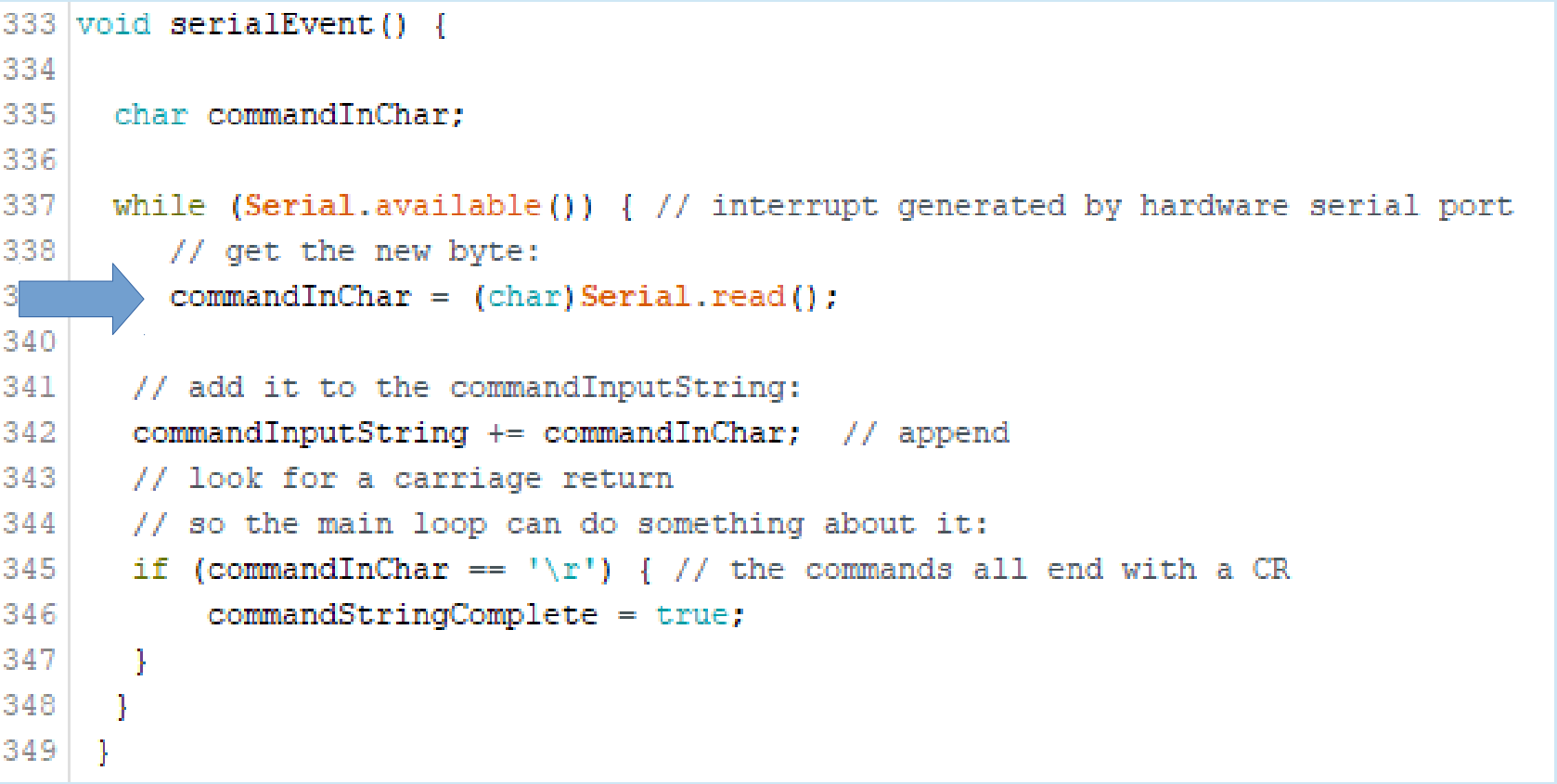

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349 }
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Serial.read() Reads incoming serial data. Returns the first byte of incoming serial data available (or -1 if no data is available)

cast (char)

Arduino Example

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341    // add it to the commandInputString:
342    commandInputString += commandInChar; // append
343    // look for a carriage return  Carriage return is '\r'
344    // so the main loop can do something about it:
345    if (commandInChar == '\r') { // the commands all end with a CR
346        commandStringComplete = true;
347    }
348   }
349  }
```

commandInputString =
commandInputString +
commandInChar;

Arduino Example

Loop(): Receive Input from Serial Port

Parse Data to Extract Desired Information

Use Extracted Data to Bandswitch Transverters

```
74 void loop() { //MAIN
75
76 ///////////////// Get the Command ////////////////////////////////////////////////////
77   // get VHFLOG command from serial0
78   if (commandStringComplete) {
79    command = commandInputString;
80     // save this new command then clear the input buffer
81     // clear the string:
82     commandInputString = "";
83     //set string complete flag to false in preparation for next VHFLOG command;
84     commandStringComplete = false;
85   }
86 ///////////////// End Command ///////
87 // now process the VHFLOG command
88   if (command.length() > 0){
89 /////////////// Commands ///////////
90
91     Serial.print("Command is:");
92     Serial.print(command);
```

Serial.print(data)
Prints data to the serial port as human-readable ASCII text.
Returns the number of bytes written.

Arduino Example
Loop(): Receive Input from Serial Port
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Use Extracted Data to Bandswitch Transverters

```
    if ((command.indexOf("AUX100")>=0) || (command.indexOf("AUX200")>=0) ) { // set band to 6m
 95          //set Pin50 high, all other pins low
 96 digitalWrite(Pin50,HIGH);
 97 digitalWrite(Pin144,LOW);
 98 digitalWrite(Pin222,LOW);
 99 digitalWrite(Pin432,LOW);
100 digitalWrite(Pin902,LOW);
101 digitalWrite(Pin1296,LOW);
102 digitalWrite(Pin2304,LOW);
103 digitalWrite(Pin3G,LOW);
104 digitalWrite(Pin5G,LOW);
105 digitalWrite(Pin10G,LOW);
106 digitalWrite(Pin24G,LOW);
107 digitalWrite(Pin47G,LOW);
108 digitalWrite(Pin76G,LOW);
109 Serial.print("Pin50 High");
110     }
```

Arduino String class

- Members include:
  - charAt
  - compareTo
  - concat
  - c_str
  - endsWith
  - equals
  - equalsIgnoreCase
  - getBytes
  - indexOf
  - lastIndexOf
  - length
  - remove
  - replace
  - reserve
  - setCharAt
  - startsWith
  - substring
  - toCharArray
  - toInt
  - toFloat
  - toLowerCase
  - toUpperCase
  - trim

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94      if ((command.indexOf("AUX100")>=0) || (command.indexOf("AUX200")>=0) ) { // set band to 6m
95            //set Pin50 High, all other pins low
96  digitalWrite(Pin50,HIGH);
97  digitalWrite(Pin144,LOW);
98  digitalWrite(Pin222,LOW);
99  digitalWrite(Pin432,LOW);
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105 digitalWrite(Pin10G,LOW);
106 digitalWrite(Pin24G,LOW);
107 digitalWrite(Pin47G,LOW);
108 digitalWrite(Pin76G,LOW);
109 Serial.print("Pin50 High");
110     }
```

String.indexOf(val) Locates a character or String val within another String. Returns the index (position) of val within the String, or -1 if val is not found. Position numbering starts with 0.

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```
112    else if ((command.indexOf("AUX101")>=0) || (command.indexOf("AUX201")>=0) ) { // set band to 2m
113           //set Pin144 high, all other pins low
114 digitalWrite(Pin50,LOW);
115 digitalWrite(Pin144,HIGH);
116 digitalWrite(Pin222,LOW);
117 digitalWrite(Pin432,LOW);
118 digitalWrite(Pin902,LOW);
119 digitalWrite(Pin1296,LOW);
120 digitalWrite(Pin2304,LOW);
121 digitalWrite(Pin3G,LOW);
122 digitalWrite(Pin5G,LOW);
123 digitalWrite(Pin10G,LOW);
124 digitalWrite(Pin24G,LOW);
125 digitalWrite(Pin47G,LOW);
126 digitalWrite(Pin76G,LOW);
127 Serial.print("Pin144 High");
128     }
129
```

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```
130     else if ((command.indexOf("AUX102")>=0) || (command.indexOf("AUX202")>=0) ) { // set band to 222
131           //set Pin222 high, all other pins low
132 digitalWrite(Pin50,LOW);
133 digitalWrite(Pin144,LOW);
134 digitalWrite(Pin222,HIGH);
135 digitalWrite(Pin432,LOW);
136 digitalWrite(Pin902,LOW);
137 digitalWrite(Pin1296,LOW);
138 digitalWrite(Pin2304,LOW);
139 digitalWrite(Pin3G,LOW);
140 digitalWrite(Pin5G,LOW);
141 digitalWrite(Pin10G,LOW);
142 digitalWrite(Pin24G,LOW);
143 digitalWrite(Pin47G,LOW);
144 digitalWrite(Pin76G,LOW);
145     }
```

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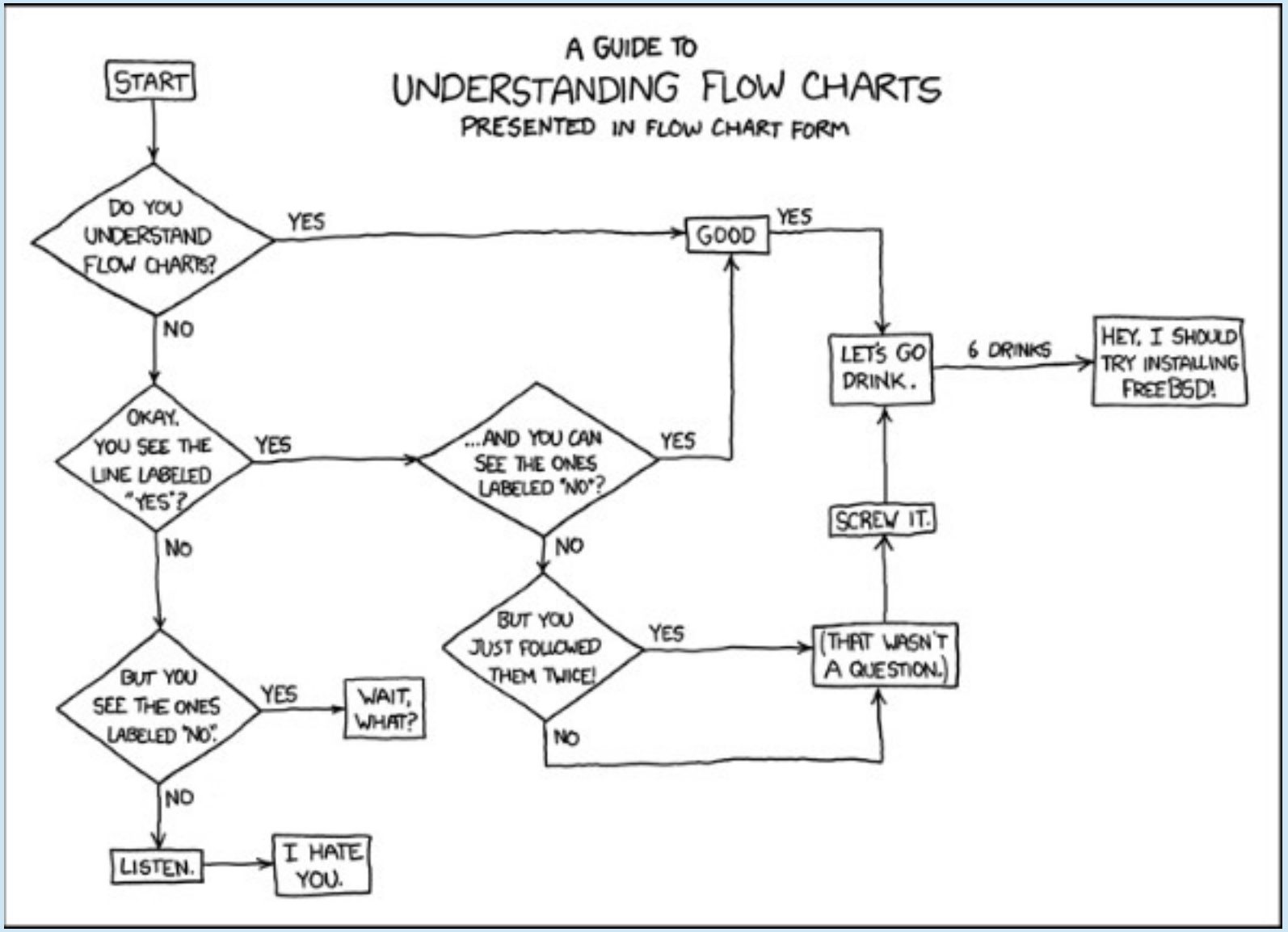
```
300     else if ((command.indexOf("AUX112")>=0) || (command.indexOf("AUX212")>=0) ) { // set band to 76 GHz
301           //set Pin76G high, all other pins low
302 digitalWrite(Pin50,LOW);
303 digitalWrite(Pin144,LOW);
304 digitalWrite(Pin222,LOW);
305 digitalWrite(Pin432,LOW);
306 digitalWrite(Pin902,LOW);
307 digitalWrite(Pin1296,LOW);
308 digitalWrite(Pin2304,LOW);
309 digitalWrite(Pin3G,LOW);
310 digitalWrite(Pin5G,LOW);
311 digitalWrite(Pin10G,LOW);
312 digitalWrite(Pin24G,LOW);
313 digitalWrite(Pin47G,LOW);
314 digitalWrite(Pin76G,HIGH);
315     }
316     // cleanup
317     command = ""; // clear the VHFLOG command
318   }
319 /////////////// END COMMANDS ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////
320
321
322   delay(25); //  long enough for the radio to return its frequency
323
324 } //END MAIN
```

Programming Steps

1) Included libraries containing classes with external functions
2) Defined variables and constants
3) Setup ()
    - Defined and initialized GPIO pins
    - Defined, started serial port
4) Loop()
    - Received input from serial port
    - Parsed / processed data to extract desired information
    - Used information derived from data to perform desired task (switch GPIO pins)
5) Called serialEvent() at end of every loop cycle

Questions?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YES
...AND YOU CAN SEE THE ONES LABELED "NO"?
YES
NO
SCREW IT.
NO
BUT YOU JUST FOLLOWED THEM TWICE!
YES
(THAT WASN'T A QUESTION.)
BUT YOU SEE THE ONES LABELED "NO".
YES
WAIT, WHAT?
NO
NO
LISTEN.
I HATE YOU.