

A satellite is shown in orbit above the Earth's surface. The satellite has a large solar panel array extending from its side. The Earth's atmosphere is visible as a thin blue layer, and the sun is shining brightly from the right, creating a lens flare effect. The satellite is the central focus of the image, with various instruments and antennas visible on its body.

# CELEOS

Multi-orbit satellite channel emulator

# The Future of Satellite Communication Testing

## Concentrating on Essential Markets

Designed for mobile network operators, satellite network operators, R&D centers, user equipment manufacturers, and academia, CELEOS is the go-to solution for advanced satellite communication testing.

## Empowering the New Age of Satellite Communications

Offering an affordable yet high-performance channel emulator, CELEOS excels in multi-orbit constellations and next-generation connectivity.

## Leveraging Unique Advantages

Setting a new benchmark in satellite communication testing, CELEOS combines affordability, portability, and industry-leading performance.

## Enhancing Competitive Edges

Providing a cost-effective and feature-rich approach tailored for the unique challenges of satellite communications.

## Overcoming Industry Challenges

Making advanced satellite testing accessible and practical, removing barriers to realistic, real-time performance validation.

## Showcasing Versatile Use Cases

From seamless handover testing and TLE synchronization to supporting diverse waveforms, CELEOS is built to enable comprehensive, real-world NTN testing.

### INTRODUCTION

CELEOS is a **software-based satellite channel emulator (CE)** designed for deployment on a wide range of hardware platforms.

The core architecture of the Channel Emulator leverages a Software Defined Radio (SDR) for analog-to-digital (A/D) and digital-to-analog (D/A) conversion of Radio Frequency (RF) signals. Additionally, it utilizes off-the-shelf Graphics Processing Units (GPUs) for efficient signal processing. The software is hardware-agnostic, ensuring compatibility with various SDRs and GPUs.

The **CELEOS CE system** consists of two primary components:

1. **SDR device** – Handles the RF signal reception, downconverts it to baseband, and forwards it to the host computer.
2. **Host computer** – Performs Digital Signal Processing (DSP) and Channel Parameter Calculation, computing the channel's electrical characteristics based on geometric satellite orbital parameters.

### MAIN SPECIFICATIONS

CELEOS' bandwidth characteristics depend on the SDR model, host computer hardware (GPU, CPU), and the SDR interface (USB, Ethernet, SFP+).

The values below are based on a configuration using a USRP X300 with SFP+ connectivity to a host computer equipped with an NVIDIA RTX 4070 GPU and an AMD Ryzen 9 (16-core) CPU. However, performance scales with more powerful hardware configurations.

Parameter	Specification
<b>Bandwidth</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to 150 MHz using USRPs (16/16-bit IQ sampling)</li> <li>• Up to 400 MHz over DIF1 (8/8-bit IQ sampling)</li> </ul>
<b>Frequency</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RF operating frequency of USRP: Near DC – sub-6 GHz (X300, most USRP models)</li> <li>• Simulation frequency (for channel modeling): Near DC – 50 GHz</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Independent Channels</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 on this specific USRP (dependent on available physical ports)</li> <li>• Each channel can emulate a different satellite, terminal position, or channel model</li> </ul>

## Why CELEOS?

CELEOS is a highly flexible and scalable satellite channel emulator, designed to bridge the gap between theoretical modeling and real-world satellite communications testing. By leveraging software-defined processing and off-the-shelf hardware, it provides a cost-effective yet high-fidelity solution for validating NTN scenarios, including LEO, MEO, and GEO communications.

**Supporting special features**, such as **DiFi** (ensuring interoperability with the DiFi ecosystem), **SigMF data recording** (offering the possibility to record input and output as SigMF, as well as the ability to import/export recordings), or the **integrated Digital Spectrum Analyzer** (facilitate the ease of work for the engineers using CELEOS), makes CELEOS the ideal enabler for a successful R&D process.

With support for high-bandwidth signals, real-time Doppler shift modeling, and dynamic interference generation, CELEOS enables accurate emulation of next-generation 5G NTN networks, DVB systems, and custom satellite communication protocols. Its hardware-agnostic architecture allows seamless integration with various SDRs and GPUs, ensuring adaptability to evolving test requirements.

**CELEOS is designed for** telecommunications researchers, satellite network operators, equipment manufacturers, and regulatory bodies looking to:

- Validate NTN waveform performance under real-world conditions.
- Test hybrid terrestrial-satellite connectivity in 5G NTN environments.
- Develop and optimize satellite-enabled IoT, mobility, and broadband solutions.
- Model complex RF environments, including weather-induced fading and multi-satellite interference.

Parameter	Specification
<b>Propagation Delay</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 ms – 1000 ms (supports LEO, MEO, GEO &amp; beyond)</li> <li>• Down to 1.5 ms for lower bandwidths (&lt;40 MHz)</li> </ul>
<b>Doppler Shift</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• -2 MHz to +2 MHz, covering expected LEO transit effects up to Ka-band</li> </ul>
<b>Noise &amp; Interference</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• White Gaussian noise added digitally via live random number generation</li> <li>• 5G-type interference added using pre-recorded signals (SigMF format)</li> <li>• DVB-type interference added using pre-recorded signals (SigMF format)</li> </ul>
<b>IQ Sampling</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Signal processing (host computer): 32/32-bit floating point IQ samples</li> <li>• USRP sampling &amp; transport: 16/16-bit integer IQ samples (most USRP models)</li> </ul>
<b>RF Power Levels</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Default range (input &amp; output): -100 dBm to -20 dBm</li> <li>• Range can be adjusted (within USRP limits) via manual user calibration</li> </ul>
<b>Path Loss (Attenuation)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Signal attenuation applied based on relative power variations during satellite-ground terminal movement</li> <li>• Implemented digitally, with the only limitation being sampling resolution</li> </ul>
<b>Weather Effects</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Power loss due to atmospheric conditions based on ITU-R P.618-13</li> <li>• Rain rate calculations based on ITU-R P.837</li> </ul>
<b>Phase Noise &amp; RF Characteristics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Defined by the USRP model specifications</li> <li>• Additional digitally simulated phase noise can be added by the emulator</li> </ul>

## SCALABILITY & FUTURE EXPANSION

As a software-based solution, CELEOS can scale with computational power, supporting larger bandwidths, more independent channels, and higher-frequency simulations with improved hardware configurations. Future updates will continue to expand its capabilities to meet the growing demands of next-generation NTN and satellite communications.

## GET IN TOUCH

For technical inquiries, demonstrations, or integration discussions, contact Lasting Software to explore how CELEOS can enhance your satellite communication testing and development.

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