

# EGADS automated downloading software

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EGADS: **E**xtensible **G**PS **A**rray **D**ata **S**ystem

EGADS is a community-based download program initially developed for the SCIGN project. EGADS is a Perl program used in conjunction with Sharc (see below) that automates the downloading and file naming of GPS data files from a remote GPS system.

See the UNAVCO summary on [How to install EGADS & SHARC on a RedHat LINUX 7.3 system \(pdf\)](#) for more details on software installation.

## Sharc

[sharc-0.99.9-1.i386.rpm](#)

To check for the most recent version of Sharc, go to <http://sourceforge.net/projects/sharc/>.

## EGADS

[egads-2.0a2.tar](#)

EGADS requires 4 **supporting modules** in order to function properly:

- `DateTime::Precise`
- `XML::Parser`
- `MIME::Base64`
- `URI::URL`.

## [Download modules for 7.3](#)

Modules can also be downloaded individually (below). Note that there may be more recent versions for your specific OS version; most of the modules can be found in rpm format from rpmfind.net.

[DateTime-Precise-1.05.tar.gz](#)

[MIME-Base64-2.12.tar.gz](#)

[URI-1.18.tar.gz](#)

[XML-Parser-2.29.tar.gz](#)

[expat-1.95.2-1.i686.rpm](#)

To **install an rpm** use the following command : `rpm -Uvh 'rpm name'`.

To **install the modules** (if not an rpm) perform the following set of commands:

```
'perl Makefile.PL'
```

```
'make'  
'make test'  
'make install'
```

### Hints

Try a direct connection first and then a modem or FreeWave connection. Run Sharc manually first, just to make sure that you are able to download a **file allocation table (fat)** file. You can always type `sharc --help` and you will get the different options that Sharc will take as input.

### Examples:

```
sharc --port /dev/ttyS1 --baud 38400 --fatfile fat.out (fat.out will show index of all files on receiver)  
sharc --port /dev/ttyS1 --baud 38400 --download 2-4 (will download files 2-4)  
To run egads manually from /home/egads/EGADS/bin  
./egads_client.pl --nosoap --daemon --hub local-ttyS1 > /dev/null &
```

The following `run_egads` script can be placed in `/home/egads` and run from the cron:

Your crontab entry could look like the following:

```
05 * * * * /home/egads/run_egads > /dev/null 2>&1
```

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