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We will have to use boxes interactively to clean this - beam is not as well behaved as in the case of JVLA... >tvpseudo - to see if we have some structure there (?) >tvini To make a contour/grey scale plot of the image: >getn ... >task 'kntr' >dovec -1 >levs = -1, 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64... >clev = 0.001-0.010 (play and see the effect) Note 'doty -1' creates a plot that can be looked at with the TEK server. From this PL file one can make a postscript output using the task 'LWPLA'. TIP: with phase and amplitude self-calibration the image can be improved further. The SN tables resulting from this calibration can be passed to the target as well, to remove the structural phase effects of the phase-reference source from the data. Imaging of the target _____ Try it first without using any CLEAN windows. >tget imagr >getn 3 AIPS 1: Got(1) disk= 1 user=1000 type=UV J121839.7.UVDATA.1 >antennas 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (as before, >baseline 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 ignore Merlin outstations and Ar...) >cellsize 0.002 (still enough; get large FOV) >tvini >do KNTR - play with clev between 0.0001 and 0.001 Note (brightest feature of the) source is offset from phase centre -why? 'robust -3' we do not see much extended structure. Try to get With more sensitivity with higher robust parameter: 0, 3, 5. The last one is close to pure natural weighting that gives the best sensitivity (but somewhat reduced resolution). However, in this special case it seems 'robust 0' works the best. Also, use windows to constrain the extended structure better; this way you do not clean in the sodelobes. Rebox keeps your previous boxes and you can add new ones. 1 - Ef, 2 - Mc, 3 - On, 4 - Tr, 5 - Wb, 6 - Sh, 7 - Cm, 8 - Jb, 9 - Da, ... (no more Merlin outstations in the data), 13 - Ar