

Installing LOFAR Software on a fresh Ubuntu 12.04

This are my private, unedited notes on installing the LOFAR Software on a fresh Ubuntu 12.04. So they don't contain step by step instructions that will work for you, but they still may contain useful information for you.

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(NB you can also get casacore/pyrap packages from

<https://launchpad.net/~gijzelaar/+archive/aartfaac> to save building them yourself - JDS 2013-10-10.)

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##### Pakete:
libgtkmm-2.4-dev python-matplotlib python-pyfits libatlas-base-dev
mpi-default-bin mpi-default-dev libfreetype6-dev python-setuptools
libxml2-dev libpng12-dev libcfitsio3 libcfitsio3-dev libboost-all-dev
autoconf autoconf-archive autogen automake binutils-dev cmake cmake-curses-
gui
cvs doxygen flex gfortran git guile-1.8-dev ipython libblas-dev libblitz0-
dev
libboost-all-dev libboost-dev libfftw3-dev libfftw3-doc libgfortran3
libglib2.0-dev libgsl0-dev liblapack-dev liblog4cxx10 liblog4cxx10-dev
libopenmpi-dev libpqxx3-dev libx11-dev mgdiff mpi-default-dev patch pgplot5
python-dev python-numeric python-numpy python-scipy scons subversion-tools
swig bison libbison-dev
tcl tcl-dev tk tk-dev tk8.5-dev tcl8.5-dev
libhdf5-dev (oder: libhdf5-serial-1.8.4 libhdf5-serial-dev)
### "libhdf5-serial" is needed for DAL, it doesn't work with "libhdf5-
openmpi"
wcslib-dev liblog4cplus-dev liblog4cplus-1.0-4 cython
###for parmdbplot:
python-sip python-qt4
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##### LOFAR software:
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Download packages:
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```
mkdir Downloads
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cd Downloads
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wget ftp://ftp.atnf.csiro.au/pub/software/asap/data/asap_data.tar.bz2
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Download and Build Casacore:
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tar -xjvf ../Downloads/asap_data.tar.bz2
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(This creates the "data" subdirectory)
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mkdir BuildDir/casacore
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cd BuildDir/casacore
svn co http://casacore.googlecode.com/svn/trunk source
mkdir -p build/opt
cd build/opt
cmake -DBUILD_TESTING=NO -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=/opt/lofar-stuff -
DUSE_FFTW3=Yes -DUSE_THREADS=YES -DUSE_HDF5=YES -DUSE_OPENMP=YES -
DDATA_DIR=/opt/lofar-stuff/data ../../source
make -j12
make install
```

Install Casacore data:

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```
cd BuildDir/..
tar -xjvf Download/asap_data.tar.bz2
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Download and Build pyrap

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```
mkdir /cluster/lofar/BuildDir/pyrap
cd /cluster/lofar/BuildDir/pyrap
svn co http://pyrap.googlecode.com/svn/trunk dev-source
export LOFAR_STUFF_ROOT="/opt/lofar-stuff/"
export PATH="${PATH}:${LOFAR_STUFF_ROOT}/bin/"
export LD_LIBRARY_PATH="${LOFAR_STUFF_ROOT}/lib/"
export PYTHONPATH="${LOFAR_STUFF_ROOT}/lib/python/"
ln -s /opt/soft/lofar-stuff/lib/ /opt/soft/lofar-stuff/lib64
cd dev-source/
./batchbuild-trunk.py --casacore-root=/opt/lofar-stuff --
prefix=/opt/lofar-stuff --python-prefix=/opt/lofar-stuff/lib/python
```

Download and Build casarest

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```
mkdir /cluster/lofar/BuildDir/casarest
cd /cluster/lofar/BuildDir/casarest
svn co https://svn.astron.nl/casarest/trunk/casarest source
mkdir build
cd build
cmake -DCASACORE_ROOT_DIR=/opt/lofar-stuff -DBUILD_ALL=1 -
DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX:PATH=/opt/lofar-stuff ../../source
make -j12
make install
```

Download and Build the LOFAR Software

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```
mkdir /cluster/lofar/BuildDir/lofarsoft
cd /cluster/lofar/BuildDir/lofarsoft
svn checkout --ignore-externals https://svn.astron.nl/LOFAR/trunk LOFAR
username: lofar-guest
password: lofar-guest
mkdir -p build/gnu_opt
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cd build/gnu_opt
cmake -DCASACORE_ROOT_DIR=/opt/lofar-stuff/ -DBUILD_SHARED_LIBS=ON -
DUSE_OPENMP=ON -DBUILD_PACKAGES="ParmDB Calibration DP3 Pipeline MSLoFar
LoFarFT" -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX:PATH=/opt/lofar-stuff ../../LOFAR/
make -j12
make install
```

When this all worked you can set up your environmen with the following lines:

For bash/zsh:

```
if test -n "$PYTHONPATH" ; then
    export PYTHONPATH=${PYTHONPATH}:/opt/lofar-stuff/lib/python:/opt/lofar-
stuff//lib/python2.7/site-packages/
else
    export PYTHONPATH=/opt/lofar-stuff/lib/python:/opt/lofar-
stuff//lib/python2.7/site-packages/
fi

source /opt/lofar-stuff/lofarinit.sh
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For (t)csh:

```
if ($?PYTHONPATH) then
    setenv PYTHONPATH ${PYTHONPATH}:/opt/lofar-stuff/lib/python:/opt/lofar-
stuff/lib/python2.7/site-packages/
else
    setenv PYTHONPATH /opt/lofar-stuff/lib/python:/opt/lofar-
stuff/lib/python2.7/site-packages/
endif

source /opt/lofar-stuff/lofarinit.csh
```

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