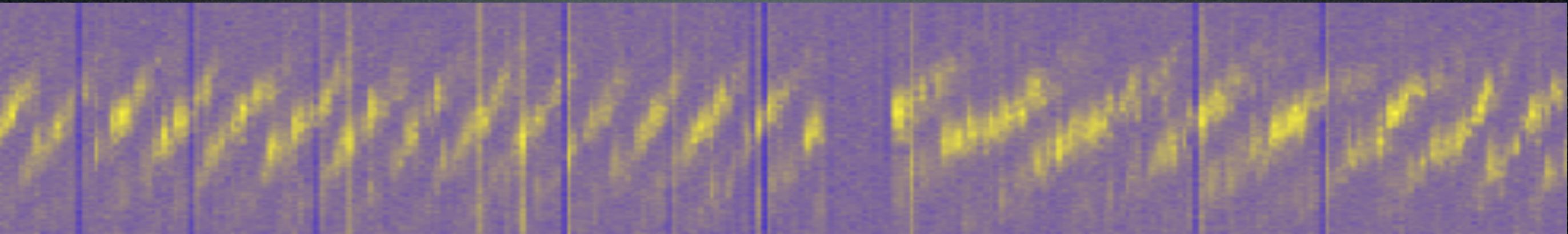


LOFAR Pulsar Observations Over Christmas 2009



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LOFAR Pulsar XMAS Obs

- Took ~10TB of data over the two week Christmas break.
- Observed the Crab with LBAs in FE mode (3 stations).
- Observed MSPs J2145-0750 and B1957+20.
- Long track on Zenith with LBAs.
- Long tracks on B0809+74 with LBAs.
- Stability test of HBAs using B1508+55.

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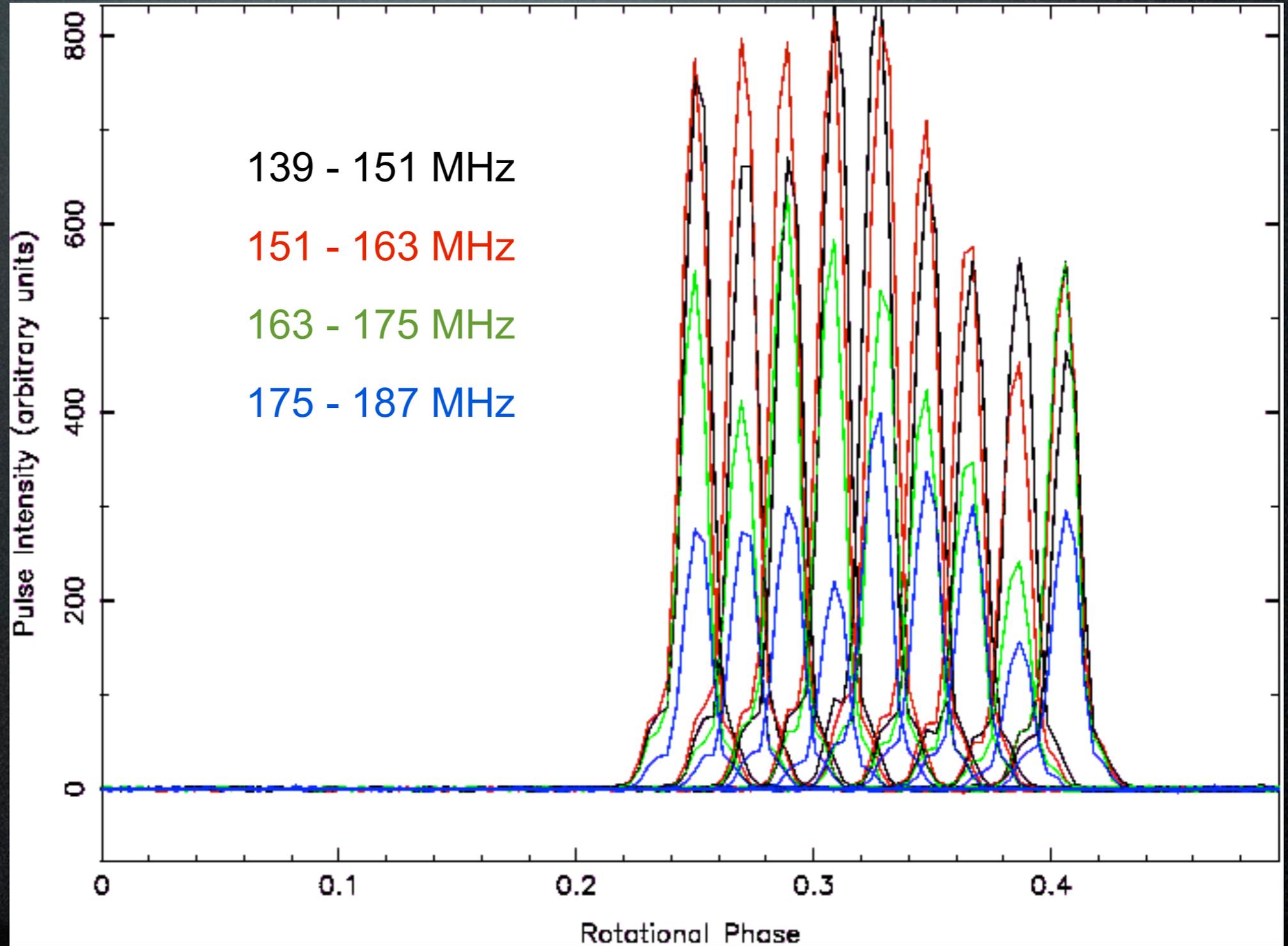
Master List of LOFAR Pulsar Commissioning Observations

Pulsar Christmas Observations: Dec 24, 2009 - Jan 4, 2010

Obs ID	Date	Source	Band	Duration	Storage	Archive	Comments
L2010_16282	2010-01-06	B0809+74	HBA	18hr	lse01[3-5] /d4		Inc (2e jaars students)
L2010_16281	2010-01-06	B1508+55	LBA	1hr	lse01[3-5] /d3		Inc (2e jaars students)
L2010_16280	2010-01-06	B1508+55	HBA	1hr	lse01[3-5] /d3	lse013	FE+Inc (2e jaars students)
L2010_16279		B0809+74	LBA	18hr	lse01[3-5] /d3		Inc
L2010_16278		B0809+74	LBA	16hr	lse01[3-5] /d3		Inc
L2010_16277		B1508+55	HBA	1hr	lse01[3-5] /d3	lse013	FE + Inc
L2009_16268		B1508+55	HBA	1hr	lse01[45] /d3	lse013	FE + Inc
L2009_16267		B0531+21	LBA	5hr	lse01[45] /d3	lse013	FE + Inc
L2009_16254		B1508+55	HBA	1hr	lse01[3-5] /d3	lse013	FE + Inc
L2009_16253		B0531+21	LBA	5hr	lse01[3-5] /d3	lse013	FE + Inc
L2009_16241		B1508+55	HBA	1hr	lse01[3-5] /d3	lse013	FE + Inc
L2009_16223		B1957+20	HBA	1hr	lse01[0-5] /d3		RAW DATA
L2009_16218		B1508+55	HBA	1hr	lse01[3-5] /d3	lse013	FE + Inc
L2009_16217		B0531+21	LBA	5hr	lse01[3-5] /d3	lse013	FE + Inc
L2009_16216		J2145-0750	HBA	30min	lse01[3-5] /d3	lse013	Inc / 32 chan
L2009_16209		B1508+55	HBA	1hr	lse01[3-5] /d3	lse013	FE + Inc

Stability of HBAs

2009-12-24
2009-12-25
2009-12-27
2009-12-28
2009-12-29
2009-12-30
2009-12-31
2010-01-02
2010-01-05



Possible Causes for Variability

- RFI
- Scintillation
- Snow
- Intrinsic to pulsar

Summary

- Processing of pulsar Christmas observations is underway, with more results to come soon.
- Repeated observations of B1508+55 show day to day variability that we are trying to understand. Data from individual stations will help sort this out we hope.