

LOFAR Pulsar Pipeline Plan: Apr 6, 2011

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Tasks:	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
BG/P	<p>Calibrate Phase-Frequency correction due to cable lengths Implement proper Stokes I,Q,U,V on the BG/P (depends on beam mode) Implement on-the-fly squashing of channels per subbands for BF (IM+BF obs) TiedArray Multi beam observational testing [RA,DEC print out via MoM to parset] Bypass 2nd Polypase Filter in TAB pipeline Implement BG/P 2nd data transpose for IncoherentStokes data (post H5 CS) Implement BG/P 2nd data transpose for Raw Voltage (BF) data (post H5 CS, IS) Online Coherent De-dispersion on CEP Online Coherent De-dispersion Search Mode on CEP (multi beams all de-dispersed) Separate BF from IM data writing on subclusters and disks (maybe non-issue after Phase II) Integrate real-time phase correction into TAB module (from Imaging results) [lower priority if core single clock] Investigate extending the single clock on the entire core (hardware)</p>															
SAS / MAC/MoM	<p>Add new switches to the MoM-template creation script for IM to match some BF switches MoM additional features/connectivity to SAS/MAC (DM field, Pulsar Catalog drop down, etc) Maintenance of xml-related (Mom import/export) scripts Offline Pipeline Framework connection to SAS/MAC (automated kickoff) BF-Observing Cookbook maintenance and updates as needed</p>															
BF2H5 online version	<p>Integrate DAL package + Pelican + Lofarsoft BF H5 data writer (abide by ICD) (BG/P CS out data) BF H5 data writer (abide by ICD) (BG/P IS out data) BF H5 data writer (abide by ICD) (raw data) Load testing of H5 read/write of BF data</p>															
BF ICD	<p>Profile BF Observations (& Pipeline) for typical stats on sizes Benchmark (DAL C++) 4 storage types to choose optimum BF container Perform benchmarking on H5 chunking (storage efficiency and optimization) Finalize BF ICD Identify source of metadata values (& calculations)</p>															
DAL	<p>Create DAL classes for BF metadata and structure (abide by ICD) Create DAL methods to access data from BF structure (abide by ICD) Hook in Coordinate Group-related material into the DAL Wrap BF DAL classes and methods with Python for PyDAL Ongoing PyDAL updates and bugfixes Integrate HDF5 into file I/O for Presto/TEMPO/etc</p>															
Pulsar Tools	<p>Design/Implement Pulsar Pipeline(s) for other observing modes (RAW Voltage, OCD) Maintain/fix Daily build of USG (Pulsar) repository on offline cluster Test software installation/components on Phase II cluster Adapting pipeline to work on CEP II (increase number of cores, data locations, etc) Update USG Pulsar cmake dependencies for external packages so that "all build" is shorter Assist Pulsar Group with integration of tools/scripts into cmake & USG Maintain/upgrade Pulsar shell script pipeline Convert Pulsar Pipeline to run with H5 input, using intermediate Presto binary files Create Pulsar Test datasets and cmake automated test-suites for code sanity check (non-LOFAR) Branch Pulsar OTF code changes to original tool repositories (sourceforge, etc)</p>															
Pulsar Pipeline Integration	<p>Observing Plan / Regular weekly Testing of BF observations Pulsar Pipeline Integration of all modes into the Framework "(See attachment with all modes)" Pulsar Pipeline (sh & py) profiling (if speed is less than real-time; most relevant for multi-beam modes) PWG learning curve of Pipeline Framework Pipeline Framework issues/problems/tickets action items Pulsar Search Pipeline: finalize details/code + add SSPS functionality & perform extensive testing Pulsar Search Pipeline: profiling and speed up; most relevant for multi-beam modes Documentation/diagrams/switches of Pulsar Pipeline + tools for LOFAR science users Documentation "how-to" run the Known Pulsar Pipeline w/in the Framework Decide how to distribute the Pulsar Pipeline Release Pulsar Pipeline</p>															
BF2H5 offline version	<p>TCP-packet convert module for Pelican HDF5 data writer module for Pelican Create standalone BF2H5 tool</p>															
Archive	<p>SARA Pulsar Archive (organize, create scripts, maintain web pages, data clean up) Investigate SARA + Grid processing (LTA) potential Sync Archive schema with BF ICD LTA Archive Pulsar raw data LTA Archive Pulsar Pipeline Processed data</p>															
Misc.	<p>Remove PGPLOT from PRESTO Work with the VO on format/protocol issues for LOFAR HDF5 data</p>															
KEY	<p>J = Jason; JD = Jan David; JR = John Romein; JL = Joeri; A2 = Anastasia; B = Ben; K = Ken; L = Lars; ASH = Ashish; PWG = Pulsar Working Group; SW = Stephan W.; MB = Michiel B.; RO = Radio Observatory color = assigned task; work in process; work done color = assigned task; long term ongoing color = assigned task; work to be done (upcoming work) color = unassigned task</p>															