First Successful Effelsberg Pulsar Observations

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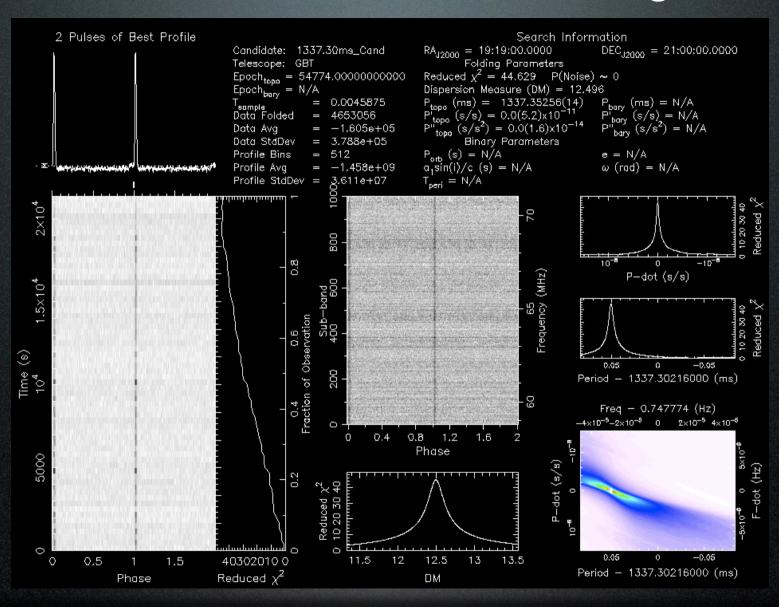
From August 19-21st, 2009

Station	Obs ID	Source	Config	Results
DE601 (Effelsberg)	L2009_13678	B0950+08	LBA, 60-80MHz, 16 chans, 4.6ms, 1hr	Detected!
DE601 (Effelsberg)	L2009_13693	B1919+21	LBA, 60-80MHz, 16 chans, 4.6ms, 6hr	Detected!
DE601 (Effelsberg)	L2009_13	B0943+10	LBA, 10-30MHz, 256 chans, 10.3ms, 2hr	In progress
DE601 (Effelsberg)	L2009_13729	B1919+21	LBA, 10-30MHz, 256 chans, 10.3ms, 2hr	In progress





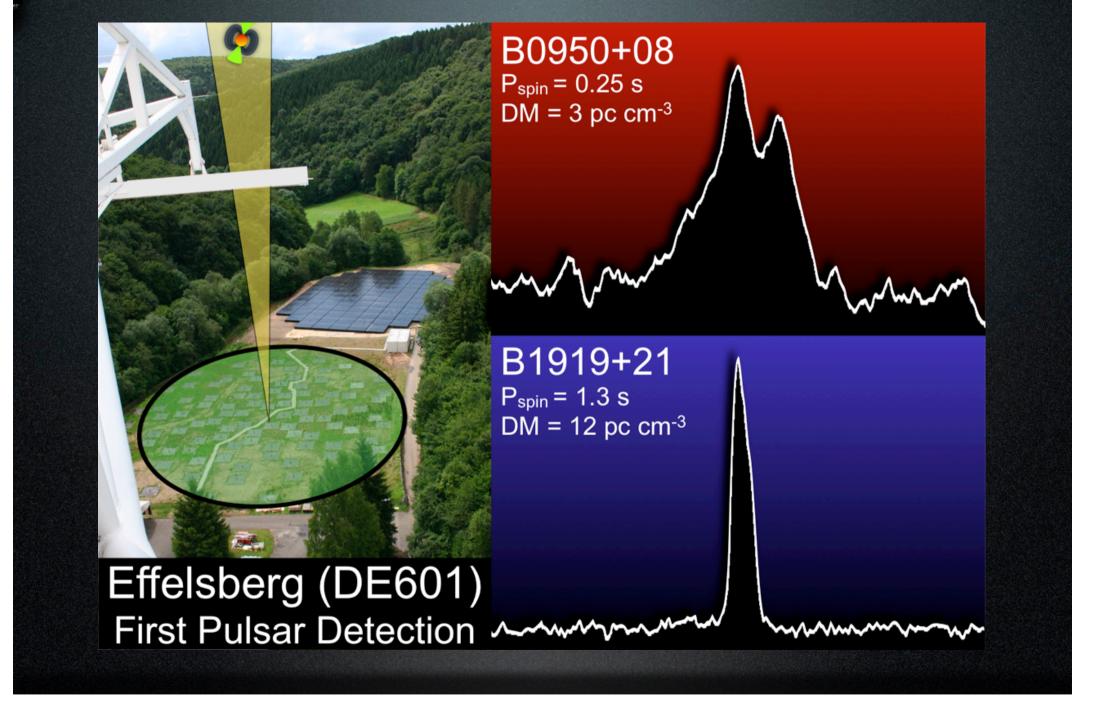
B1919+21 with Effelsberg







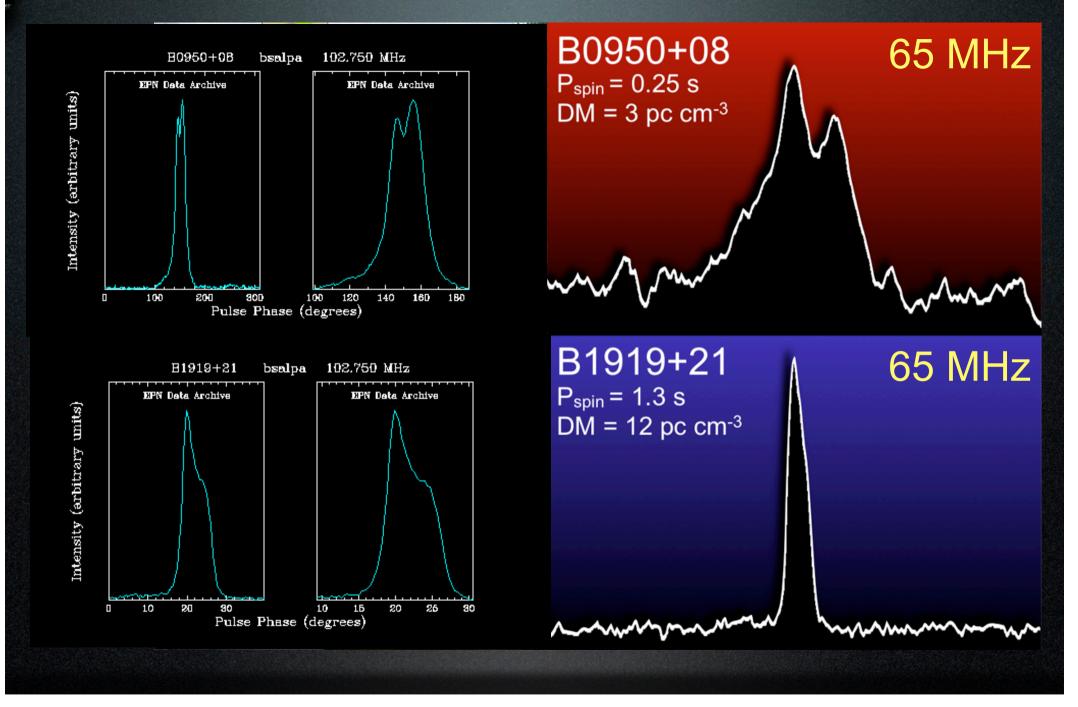
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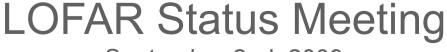












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Next Steps

- Multi-station, simultaneous LBA/HBA observations to cover whole 10-240MHz range.
- For this, we can use the bf2h5 write of Alwin de Jong.
- Also need to try simultaneous imaging / beamformed observations running on BG/P.
- Will want to use Effelsberg station in next Pulsar Busy Week (Sept. 21-25th), especially if HBAs are ready by then.





Summary

- Achieved pulsar first light with the Effelsberg LBAs.
- Limited to 30 subbands per board.
- Data between 10-30MHz also acquired and being analyzed.
- bf2h5 reworked by Alwin de Jong, can now write
 62 subbands per board.



