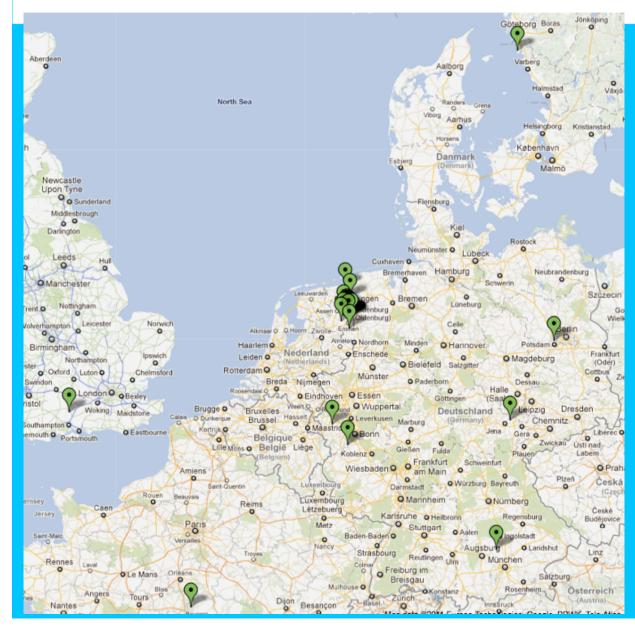


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Operational Status

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<u>Current Status:</u> 33 operational NL stations 24 core + 9 remote Validated:

8 Intern. stations part of the array. 3*10Gb/s lines operational

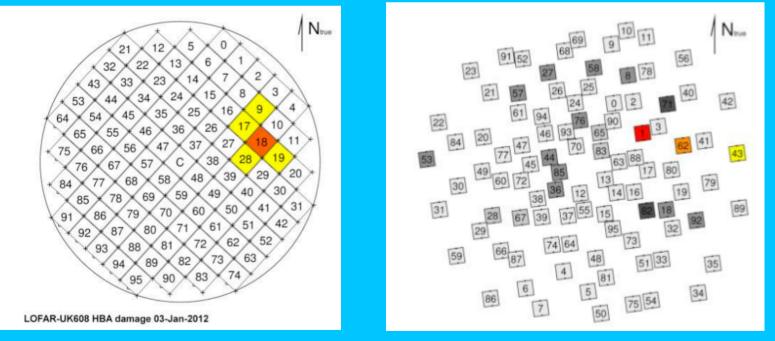
Calibration Tables & HBA repairs: www.astron.ng/logan radio-observatory/astronomers/current-status

	Calibration Tables					HBA repairs		
							Last HBA	
Station Name	Mode 1/2	Mode ¾	Mode 5	Mode 6	Mode 7	RCU firmware V12	repair	Remark
CS 001						13-09-11	20-09-11	HBA repair 50%
CS 002	28-Sep-11	28-Sep-11	28-Sep-11			12-09-11	12-09-11	HBA repair 100%
CS 003	28-Sep-11	28-Sep-11	28-Sep-11			13-09-11	16-09-11	HBA repair 100%
CS 004	28-Sep-11	28-Sep-11	28-Sep-11			12-09-11	15-09-11	HBA repair 100%
CS 005	28-Sep-11	28-Sep-11	28-Sep-11			12-09-11	15-09-11	HBA repair 100%
CS 006	28-Sep-11	28-Sep-11	28-Sep-11			13-09-11	19-09-11	HBA repair 100%
CS 007	28-Sep-11	28-Sep-11	28-Sep-11			12-09-11	13-09-11	HBA repair 100%
CS 011		NEW STATIONS				15-09-11	03-10-11	HBA repair100%
CS 013						14-09-11		HBA not complet
CS 017	14-Oct-11	4-Nov-11	14-Oct-11			04-10-11	27-09-11	HBA repair 100%
CS 021	14-Oct-11	4-Nov-11	14-Oct-11			13-09-11	31-10-11	HBA repair 100%
CS 024	14-Oct-11	4-Nov-11	14-Oct-11			14-09-11	22-09-11	HBA repair 100%
CS 026			14-Oct-11			04-10-11	22-09-11	HBA repair 100%
CS 028		NEW STATIONS				05-10-11	04-10-11	HBA repair 100%
CS 030		4-Nov-11	14-Oct-11			04-10-11	29-09-11	HBA repair 50%
CS 031		NEW STATIONS				14-09-11	11-02-11	HBA repair 100%
CS 032		4-Nov-11	14-Oct-11			15-09-11	29-09-11	HBA repair 100%
CS 101	4-Nov-11	4-Nov-11	14-Oct-11			04-10-11	20-09-11	HBA repair 100%
CS 103	4-Nov-11		14-Oct-11			05-10-11	21-09-11	HBA repair 100%
CS 201	4-Nov-11	4-Nov-11	14-Oct-11			05-10-11	21-09-11	HBA repair 100%
CS 301	14-Oct-11		14-Oct-11			13-10-11	27-09-11	HBA repair 50%
CS 302		14-Oct-11	14-Oct-11			14-10-11	26-09-11	HBA repair 100%
CS 401	4-Nov-11		14-Oct-11			18-08-11	03-10-11	HBA repair 50%
CS 501	4-Nov-11	4-Nov-11	4-Nov-11			13-10-11	27-10-11	HBA repair 100%
RS 106		14-Oct-11	14-Oct-11			17-10-11	16-09-11	HBA repair 100%
RS 205		14-Oct-11	14-Oct-11			15-11-11	16-09-11	HBA repair 100%
RS 208	14-Oct-11		14-Oct-11			24-10-11	22-09-11	HBA repair 100%
RS 306	14-Oct-11		14-Oct-11			17-10-11	20-09-11	HBA repair 100%
RS 307	14-Oct-11	14-Oct-11	14-Oct-11			15-11-11	16-09-11	HBA repair 100%
RS 406	14-Oct-11	14-Oct-11					09-09-11	HBA repair 100%
RS 503	14-Oct-11	14-Oct-11	14-Oct-11			26-10-11	19-09-11	HBA repair 100%
RS 508	14-Oct-11	14-Oct-11	14-Oct-11				28-09-11	HBA repair 100%
RS 509	14-Oct-11	14-Oct-11	4-Nov-11				12-04-11	HBA repair 100%
DE 601								
DE 602		14-Oct-11	14-Oct-11					
DE 603		INTERFE-	14-Oct-11					
DE 604		-RENCE	14-Oct-11					
DE 605		14-Oct-11	14-Oct-11					
FR 606		14-Oct-11	14-Oct-11					
SE 607		14-Oct-11	14-Oct-11					
UK 608		14-Oct-11	14-Oct-11					

Storms of Jan 2/3 & Jan 5



- UK608 damage:
- •Cover of 1 HBA tile (#18) became lose and 10 polystyrene lids were broken off. Some damage to antenna cells.
- 4 tiles had slightly loose covers
- 3 LBA destroyed with grid blown away
- 12 LBAs blown over with considerable damage
- 5 LBAs dislodged and reset again.





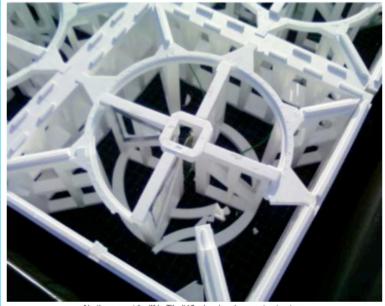
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- NL: 1 HBA tile in CS007 slightly damaged and repaired on Jan 9.
- A few slightly loose covers

 After each storm we notice that occasionally ~one HBA tile stops working -> Loose connections ?



Exposed section of Tile #18 before any remedial work started.



Northern-most "cell" in Tile #18, showing damage to structure.

CEP news



CEP Stopday: JAN 9 CEP II cluster:

10 mainboards locus nodes ("rebooters") fixed and 9 available. Locus082 broken

Mainenance of various systems A new NFS server planned for Jan 2012. Upgrades of other online system computers (eg sas001) planned.

CEP I cluster:

 LCE068 – LCE072: reconfigured as a test cluster for software development and builds (isolated from the rest of the system)

News regarding observations and commissioning



- Further MSSS observations (>48 hrs/week):
- Completed first part of MSSS Calibrator Verification Programme (VCP) to assess the characteristics of the calibrators used for the MSSS observations.
- Observation for the MKSP BW: FAN region

Migration from the LUSG wiki to LOFAR wiki in progress LSM presentations appear in: www .lofar.org/ wiki/doku.php?id=public:lsm_new:start

Earlier presentations are moved in batches

CALENDAR of requested busy weeks and other LOFAR activities



http://www.astron.nl/radio-observatory/astronomers/commissioning/commisioning-plan

- 9 13 Jan
 : Cosmic Ray KSP Busy Week (Dwingeloo)
- 23-27 Jan : Magnetism KSP Busy Week (Dwingeloo)
- 30 Jan 3 Feb : Imaging Busy Week #13 (Meudon)
- •5 Feb : CEP stopday