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Programme:

- 1. Array status and Observatory update R. Fallows
- 2. COBALT status update H. Holties
- 3. The NorthStar proposal submission tool: updates in view of the Cycle 3 proposal call W. Frieswijk
- 4. Preliminary images of Leo Triplet R. Paladino.

Array Status

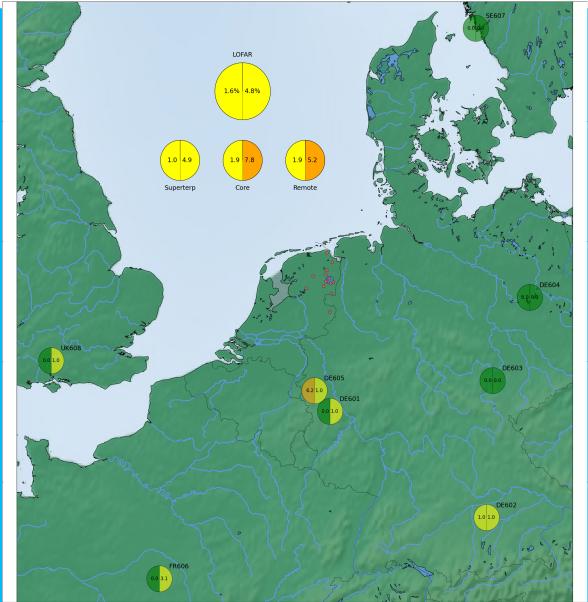




- 38 operational NL stations
 - 24 CSs, 14 RSs, 8 ISs
- Maintenance of Dutch stations on-going:
 - CS302,CS004,CS101 completed.
 - CS301 underway.
 - HBA tiles only, no LBA yet.
- Maintenance of DE stations taking place this week:
 - DE602, DE605

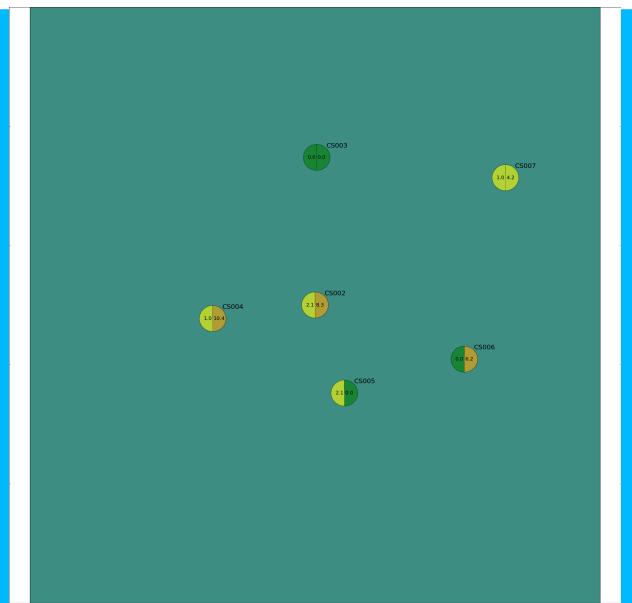
Overview, including IS (LBA: 1.6%, HBA 4.8%)





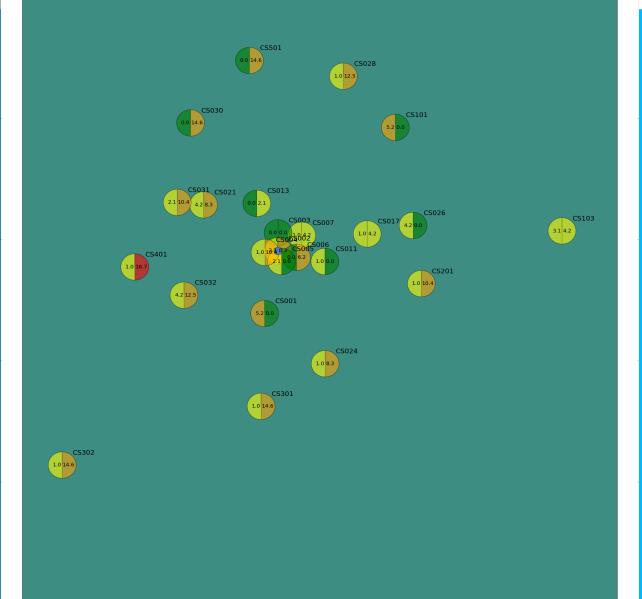
Superterp (LBA: 1.0 %, HBA: 4.9%)





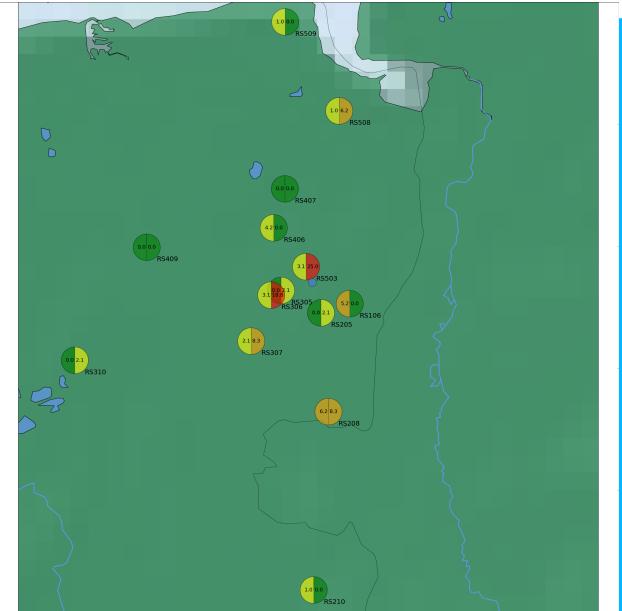
Core Stations (LBA: 1.9%, HBA: 7.8%)





Remote Stations (LBA: 1.9%, HBA: 5.2%)





News regarding the observing system



Status of stations and calibration available from http://www.astron.nl/radio-observatory/ astronomers/current-status

Over the last two weeks:

- System performance: Generally good
- Issues: Processing queue sometimes extended due to failing locus nodes or processes being swapped out to prevent memory issues.

Next software roll-out: 30th June

News regarding the observing system



International station flagging:

Issue traced to network congestion when ingesting data to Julich. Now appears solved after reconfiguring the network at Julich and international stations can be used with minimal flagging. The situation will continue to be monitored.

Remaining occasional substantial flagging mainly due to network maintenance (usually announced).

CEP news



- CEP3:
- CEP3 scheduled to be available.

Purchase of LOFAR station Hardware



AstroTec Holding have announced an opportunity to purchase additional LOFAR hardware as part of the general order for new international stations.

Orders should be submitted by 15th July.

Cycle Observations



Week 26		UT	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
Approx	18	19	20	21	22	23	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17			
June	23	Mon	_	LT2_003 - Stress system rui						all international stations (except DE604) switched to ILT mode at 9 UTC					itched	Stress system runs + TBB runs				.C2_013 - NGC5907 - 12hrs							
	24	Tue	LC2	2_013 -	NGC5	907 - 1	runs 0,4					oftware pre-roll out test					Stress system re					uns + TBB runs				LT2_003 - LOTAAS	
	25	Wed	LC2	_026 -		3,19,21 As 19,	runs					LC2_027 - Sun - 8h				8hrs	Stress sy				stem runs + TBB runs					- 4hrs	
	26	Thu	LC2_006 - Stress Sgr A - 4hrs system runs				LT2_003 - Stress system runs LOTAAS + TBB runs					LC2_027 - Sun - 4nrs					LC2_038 - HEXDE				T19 - 8hrs				_006 - - 4hrs		
	27	Fri	Sgr Ā	Turis				ess n runs	LC2_007 - LSTs 0,4	Stress system runs			2_003 - LOTAAS; DE601, DE60 7 switched to local mode at 9 U mode at 7 U				UTC; FR606 switched to local				LC2_024 - Elais N1 -			- <8hrs			
	28	Sat	LC2_024 - Elais N1 - <8hrs						Stres	s syste	m run	s + TBE	+ TBB runs				LC2_038 - HEXDE				ET20 - 8hrs				ess n runs		
	29	Sun		system ins		003- AAS		syster TBB ru				LC2	2_027 -	Sun -	8hrs				_026 -)9,10,1		St	tress sy	stem r	uns + 1	ΓBB ru	ns	

Detailed schedule online: https://www.astron.nl/radioobservatory/lofar/cycle-2-schedule/cycle-2-schedule

- Contact Science Support in case of issues.
- ** Always email sciencesupport@astron.nl and include the proposal code in the subject line **

CALENDAR of requested busy weeks and other LOFAR activities



- LOFAR Data School: 17-21 November
- Next Stop Day: Tuesday 8th July