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LTA status

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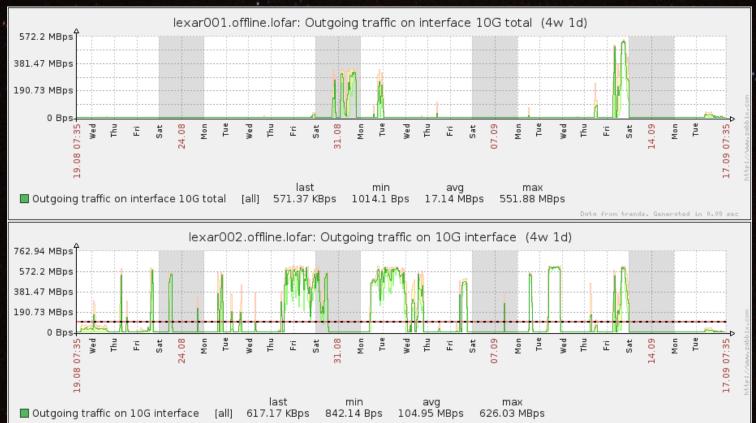
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Results 20 August – 17 September

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Data transferred to the LTA: $\pm 480 \text{ TB} + \text{transfers}$ by EoR Data staged/retrieved from the LTA: 108 TB Total stored: 13.8 PB (3.4 Jülich/8.7 SARA/1.6 Target)



Uptime 20 August – 17 September



Big interruptions (several days to weeks):

• None

Various smaller issues (less than single day)

- Stop days.
- Network interrupts.
- Software bugs.
- Operational support errors.
- Hardware/file system problems.

Work and plans

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Ongoing:

- Processing in the LTA: Imaging. (WK)
- User Ingest.
- Public release of LOFAR data.

Implemented:

- Improved monitoring.
- Download server. (JK)
 - Robustness (No more internal server error 500)
 - Speed (less internal copy buffers)
 - Speed (better server hardware)
 - Speed (more simultaneous connections)
 - Download resume function (see LTA Howto)
- GridFTP/SRM service Target/RuG.
- Information page on how to install LOFAR software on clusters. http://www.astron.nl/radio-observatory/lofar/lofar-tools/lofar-tools
- Speed improvements (multiple ingest servers, database opt.).

Work and plans

Planned:

- More speed improvements in ingest and download server.
- More monitoring improvements.
- Download server.
 - Update the Jülich location.
- Data transfer tool (ltacp) improvements.
- GridFTP/SRM service Target/RuG improvements.
 - Currently tape storage is not fully functional.
 - Not only EoR access to the stored data.
- More monitoring visible to users.

Note:

Advice on what to consider when building a cluster for Lofar data.

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