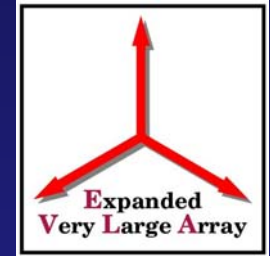


EVLA LO/IF SYSTEM

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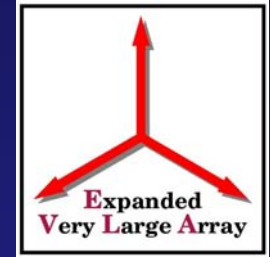


SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

- LO Phase Stability
- Phase Noise
- Deviation from linear phase
- Amplitude flatness and stability
- Fringe tracking
- Phase switching



LO/IF SYSTEM



LO Phase Stability

Short term: $<0.5\text{ps}$ RMS for times $<1\text{s}$

Long term: Linear Slope over 30min $<1.4\text{ps}$

Peak to peak phase deviations over 30min $<1.4\text{ps}$ -linear slope

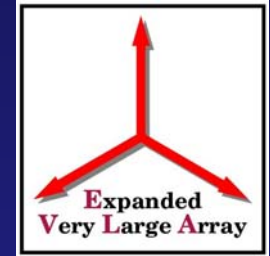
Phase shift with pointing change:

$<.7\text{ps}$ over whole sky

$<.07\text{ps}$ per degree of slew for short slews at elevations under 60 degrees



LO/IF SYSTEM



Phase noise

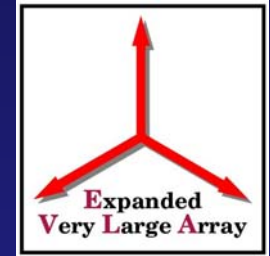
Current systems 5MHz clean up oscillator specs vs new 512MHz

OFFSET Hz	OLD RATIO dBc	NEW RATIO dBc
1	-100 (-60)	-74
100	-145 (-105)	-105
1000	-165 (-125)	-135

Designing with low noise YIGS



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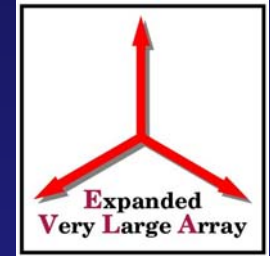


Deviation from linear phase, amplitude flatness, and amplitude stability

Still working on specification



LO/IF SYSTEM



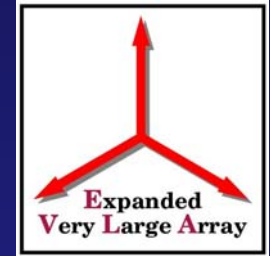
Fringe rotation and phase switching

Not needed for new correlator

But is needed for the transition phase of the project.



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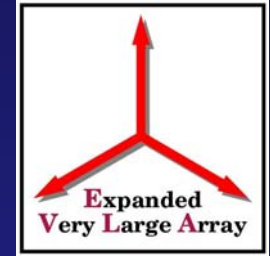


SYSTEM COMPONENTS

- Central reference system
- First LO system
- Second LO system
- Antenna reference system
- IF system



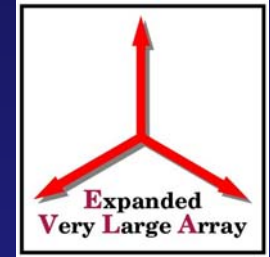
LO/IF SYSTEM



- Samplers
- Transition hardware
- Round trip phase measurement
- Other components



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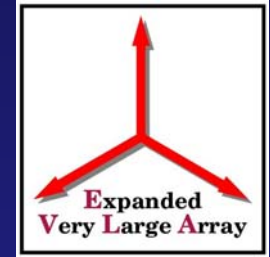


Generates and distributes all the references required by the system.

19.2Hz will be used for the transition period and changed after all the new hardware is on line.



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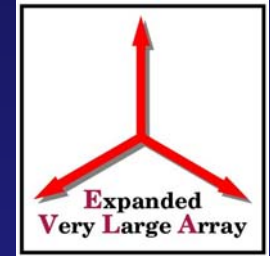


References generated

512MHz, 128MHz, 256MHz, 32MHz,
19.2Hz, 5MHz, And low freq timing signals



1ST LO SYSTEM



1st LO Synthesizer

Freq range 12 to 20 GHz

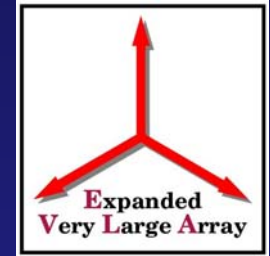
Step size 512MHz+/-DDS

Freq offsets provided by the DDS

Fringe rotation and phase switching provided
by the DDS



2ND LO SYSTEM



2nd LO Synthesizer

Freq range 10.8 to 14.8 GHz

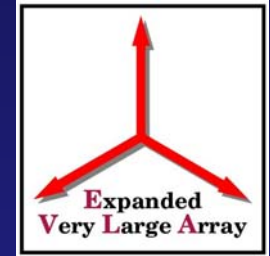
Step size 128MHz+/-DDS

Freq offsets provided by the DDS

Fringe rotation and phase switching provided
by the DDS



ANT REF SYSTEM



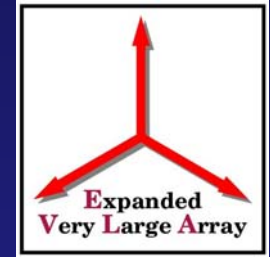
Generates and distributes all the references required by the antenna

References

128MHz, 256MHz, 512MHz, 1024MHz, 2048MHz, 4096MHz, 19.2Hz, 9.6Hz, and low freq timing signals



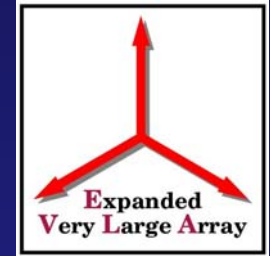
IF SYSTEM



The IF system is to provide the path for the IFs from the front end to the correlator.
It consists of frequency converters, switches and samplers.



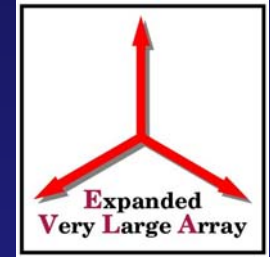
IF SYSTEM



- 4 converters required
- 2 up converters
- 2 down converters
- 1st IF 8 to 12 GHz
- 2nd IF is either 2 to 4 or 1 to 2 GHz



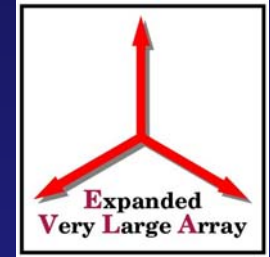
IF SYSTEM



- Mechanical switches required to switch between front ends and to switch the 1st LO between converters/front ends



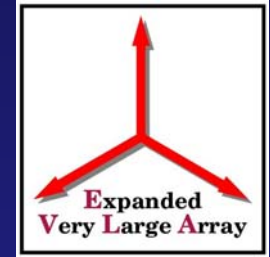
BASEBAND CONVERTER



- Baseband converter splits IFs into two 2 to 4 GHz sub IFs or
- Provides one 1 to 2 GHz IF for high resolution sampling
- Provides total power detection on each IF



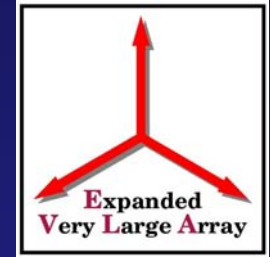
SAMPLERS



- Eight wide band 3 bit samplers provided with 4096MHz clock for harmonic sampling
- Four high resolution 8 bit samplers provided with 2048MHz clock for harmonic sampling



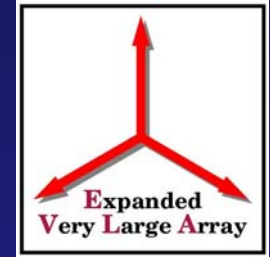
TRANSITION HARDWARE



- Hardware is provided to make the new antennas compatible with the old correlator.
- Hardware consists of decimator, FIR filter, and an 8 bit D to A converter



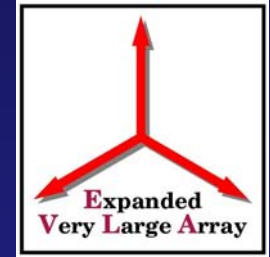
ROUND TRIP PHASE



- Round trip phase measurement will be provided
- 512MHz sent to antenna and
Put through clean up loop then sent back
and compared with an offset 512MHz



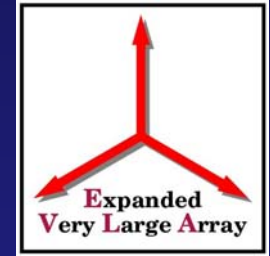
ROUND TRIP PHASE



- Measurement of phase is necessary due to temperature effects on fiber
- Measurement may also be required due to mechanical stretching of fiber by antenna movement



OTHER COMPONENTS



- Other components that are required are the T4 IF filter and the T5 baseband driver. These are required for the transition only