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### OPERATING PROCEDURE FOR RUNNING GWB - II

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### <u>Abstract :</u>

This document will provide you the information and standard operating procedure (or SOP) in a way to configure and run the new broadband **GPU** based **GMRT Wide-band Back-end (GWB)**.

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- ➔ Parameter selections and resultant values of GWB correlator for making a typical continuum (or spectral-line) observations.
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gwb\_config parameter selections and resultant values :

GWB Parameter	GUI Selection	Resultants in hdr file						
MODE	REALTIME	0						
LTA	32	0.671088 * 32 = 21.474816 sec						
	16	0.671088 * 16 = 10.737408 sec						
	8	0.671088 * 8 = 5.368704 sec						
	4	0.671088 * 4 = 2.684352 sec						
	2	0.671088 * 2 = 1.342176 sec						
	1	0.671088 sec						
ACQ BW	400 MHz	400.0000						
	200 MHz	200.0000						
	150 MHz	150.0000						
	100 MHz	100.0000						
	50 MHz	50.0000						
CHANNELS	512	512						
	1024	1024						
	2048	2048						
	4096*	4096(not released)						
	8192*	8192(not released)						
	16384*	16384(not released)						
STOKES	Single-Pol-USB 130	1						
	2 STOKES	2						
	4 STOKES	4						
CONTROL	ONLINE	1						
TPA SELECTION	Online (tpa)	1						
	Manual (GWB)	0						
SIDEBAND FLAG	Flipped (LSB)	1						
	Normal (USB)	-1						
GAB LO FREQUENCY	LO 130 & LO 175	LO SET at GAB taken as RF for GWB.						
GAIN	ON/OFF	1/0 respectively.						
FSTOP	ON/OFF	1/0 respectively.						
Beam – 1 / Beam - 2	OFF/IA/PA	0/1/2 respectively.						
Beam Stokes	1 Stokes/ 4 Stokes.	1/4 respectively.						
Beam Integration	128	No. of FFT's = 128 (sampling period 1.3ms)						

# Standard operations and Running of GPU-CORRELATOR :

1. logon to **<u>observer@astro8</u>** and enter commands as :

cd ~/	bin/gp	oucorr/ver3/
./gpu	corr-n	iode52 or ./gwbcorr (for node52).
This v	will or	pen a gt interface for gwb correlator (gwb-dasconsole).
NOTI	E:f	iles anu.hdr. sampler.hdr. sampler 1 pol.hdr. sampler dual.hdr. default.hdr.
hosts.	dat, h	ost.list, must be available in the '~/bin/gpucorr/ver3' directory.
2. On M Wind dassrv sockc	lenuba <b>lows -</b> v proc md an	ar go to " <b>Start</b> -> <b>Open All Windows</b> " or " <b>Ctrl</b> + <b>O</b> " or go to " <b>Start</b> -> <b>GWB</b> - > <b>Sockcmd</b> " to open all client processes to run gwb with sockcmd and online cesses, or " <b>Start</b> -> <b>GWB</b> - <b>Windows</b> -> <b>Getcmd</b> " to run gwb without ad dassrv processes.
	will po	opup the client workspaces for each command with following order :
> "r	10de52	2::gwb_corr_released.sh":
lt pr	can a ccesse	lso be termed as acquisition client. This starts and broadcasts the acquisition es to the gpunode6, gpunode5, gpunode4, gpunode3.
> "r	10de52	<b>2::sockcmd.sh</b> " : (in case of running with sockcmd mode)
T	his s	ets up the communication between online and correlator and gives
ac	know	ledgments to the commands from the correlator to the online and vice versa.
> "r	ode5	2···collect sh"·
	bic du	umps the Astronomical data into the buffer and keeps it there for a while and
11	ins uu	hips the Astronomical tala into the burler and keeps it there for a winte and
re	moves	s it as per the FIFO logic.
▶ "r	10de52	2::record":
OI	ne can	write the acquired data into specified lta format file as per requirement.
This sampl 1. GV	will ler_1p WB Co	pop-up the tab-widget to set the parameters for gpu.hdr, hosts.dat, ol.hdr and sampler_dual.hdr files. On the tab-widget there are three tabs named onfig Parameters :
В	elow i	s the help to save parameters from GWB Config window.
MODE		Coto the CND encycling mode (defeult is DENIMINE and colortion
MODE	:	is disabled from GUL)
Т.ТА		Configures the data aguistion rate for GWB. Can be set to 1. 2.
	•	4, 8, 16 and 32.
ACQ BW	:	This enables user to choose various available bandwidth modes of
		GWB correlator, viz. 50, 100, 150, 200, 400 MHz.
CHANNELS	:	User is allowed to choose any range of channels available for the
CTOVEC		given GWB ACQ BW.
STORES	•	available).
CONTROL	:	GWB control mode, either ONLINE or LOCAL/Manual. (default :
		ONLINE, selection is disabled from GUI).
TPA Frequen	cy :	
		1) Online : This will take TPA parameters from online machine, and
		disables the SideBand Flag and GAB LO entries at GUI.
		Entries.
		1. Flipped (LSB- decreasing frequency over channels, RF < LO).
		2. Normal (USB - increasing frequency over channels, RF > LO).
GAIN	:	Default is ON.
FSTOP	:	Default is ON.
Beam1/Beam2	:	It can be set as IA(0) or PA(1) with beam stokes as 1 or 4.
Beam Integ	:	It can be set as 128 or 64 FFTs which corresponds to 1.3 ms or
		Note : GWB (GPU) RF Freq = GAB LO Freq.

#### 2. SAMPLER settings :

This Will be re-loaded automatically as one saves the gpu.hdr file from first tab, and preveously saved parameters from either sampler\_1pol.dat or sampler\_dual.hdr files. One can change this as per requirement and connections made at the GWB ROACH-Boards inputs. Currently, the cluster size made default to 4 irrespective of the GUI selection. i.e. GUI will always save the sampler file for 4node cluster size.

3. Host Machine Setup :

In this User will be asked to set the Host machines used for the GWB (GPU) correlator. Please, do not bother about the disabled gui part in this tab.

GWB CORRELATOR (ver III) (on astro8.gmrt.ncra.tifr.res.in)
<u>Start E</u> dit <u>T</u> ools S <u>t</u> yle <u>H</u> elp
DualAdeCast SetCluster
Client :: 192.168.16.52 :: /home/gpuuser/GWB/ver3/delay_cal/gwb_corr_released.sh
collecting data for full polar mode
BEAM >>>> RECORD SEQUENCE = 373 Block ind = 0
======================================
======================================
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
[2014-05-01-08:34:07 130837] T=753.2, R=753.2, D=0.0 MiB/s bsleeps=467356 dropped=0 on node 3
[2014-05-01-08:34:07 191202] T=866.3, R=866.3, D=0.0 MiB/s bsleeps=456662 dropped=0 on node 2
[2014-05-01-08:34:07 229370] T=897.6, R=897.6, D=0.0 MiB/s bsleeps=643244 dropped=0 on node 0
Client :: 192.168.16.52 :: /home/gpuuser/GWB/ver3/bin/released/collect.sh
# 00:33:33.45 UdLdKEC= /0 GKEC /0
# 08:33:38.82 DataRec= 80 dRec 80
# 08:33:41.51 DataRec= 81 dRec 81
# 08:33:44.19 DataRec= 82 dRec 82
# 08:33:46.88 DataRec= 83 dRec 83
# 08:33:52.24 DataRec= 85 dRec 85
# 08:33:54.93 DataRec= 86 dRec 86
# 08:33:57.61 DataRec= 87 dRec 87
# 08:34:00.30 DataRec= 88 dRec 88
# 00:34:02.90 Dataket= 09 UKet 09
Client :: 192.168.16.52 :: /home/gpuuser/GWB/ver3/bin/released/record
PNTG /data2/gpuuser/30apr2014/test.lta 2
# 00.33.17.33 3(a)= 0 D(k- 25 CUID(k-73 H)= 0.0
# 08:33:22.72 Scan= 0 Blk= 25 CurBlk=75 Wt= 8.0
# 08:33:33.45 Scan= 0 Blk= 28 CurBlk=79 Wt= 8.0
# 08:33:38.82 Scan= 0 Blk= 29 CurBlk=81 Wt= 8.0
# 08:33:44.19 Scan= 0 Blk= 30 CurBlk=83 Wt= 8.0
# 08:33:49.56 Scan= 0 Blk= 31 CurBlk=85 Wt= 8.0
# 08:34:00.30 Scan= 0 Blk= 33 CurBlk=89 Wt= 8.0

Illustration 1: GWB Data acquisition Console

- 5. Configure **Dual ADC config** : From MenuBar select **"Start** ->**DualAdcConfig**" or With a single click on **DualAdcConfig** (visible on Toolbar) button one can configure this. This sets the GWB Roach boards in programmed mode, It takes about 10 seconds to configure. During That time GUI will be frozen intentionally for user interactions.
- 6. Now, click the start button (blue icon button) of first client window named "gwb\_corr\_released.sh" and wait till it says :

gmrt\_correlator : Waiting For
Initialization Cmd ..

7. Start sockcmd.sh, collect, and dasssrv (from online machine) for gwb.

> ssh -X <u>observer@shivneri</u> cd /odisk/online1/gsbe/dassrv-gpu/ ./dassrv\_released

In Case, if you are running GWB, in **"getcmd"** mode, then there is no need to start both sockcmd.sh and dassrv-gpu processes, user just have to start the process "collect" only.

8. Enter initndas command from online user0.

```
allant;cmode 1; tpa(11)=15; initndas'/temp2/data/gsb.hdr' **(GWB ONLY).
allant;cmode 9; tpa(11)=15; initndas'/temp2/data/gsb.hdr' **(GSB + GWB).
```

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For getcmd mode :
```

On online machine terminal, enter command gwbcmd initndas

 Setup the cluster acquisition : On Menubar go to "Start-> SetCluster" or With a single click on setCluster (visible on Toolbar) one can setup this. This takes about 2 to 3 seconds to set.



accelerator.

- 13. Starting Power Equalisation Program :
  - GWB Power Equalise GUI Can be Started from the main DasConsole GUI from

"**MenuBar->Tools->Interferrometry->GWB\_PowerEq**" or **CTRL** + **E** as an accelerator. This can also be done as explained in later section 'GAB - GWB Power Equalise'.

14. Starting IA beam Observations :

GWB Incoherent Array Pulsar Dasconsole programs can be started as :

"**MenuBar->Tools->Pulsar Tools->Pulsar DasConsole**" or ALT + B as an accelerator. For more information on this please refer section 'Starting Incoherent Pulsar Observation' which is explained here later.

- 15. Running **Offline Data analysis programs** :
  - 1. ltahdr , listscan, gvfits, dasmon tools are released for further analysis.
  - tax, xtract, rantsol are not yet released for this in order to use these tool please copy the file to astro0 or any other NIS machines where it works.
     For some cases user has to set fmt as :

fmt = ist%10.5f;base{chan{a%31.4f;p%8.1f}};\n

## Preferred settings (Preferences) :

Before starting the gwb correlator chain (from astro8). It needs to set up some Important parameters at the beginning viz., gpu-config, sampler and hosts settings etc. Gpu-config generates a gpu.hdr file, which contains all necessary parameters with available options to set up the gpu correlator in different modes. And sampler and hosts settings window generates the sampler.hdr (for antenna connections to the gpu samplers) and hosts.dat (host machines entries with their socket ID's) files.

### **GWB Config Parameters :**



```
GPU MODE
            = 0
                               /* 0 - Realtime, 1 - RawDump
                                                                        */
                              /* Value can be : 1,2,4,8,16,32 etc.
/* 50, 100, 150, 200, 400 MHz. etc
GPU_LTA
            = 4
                                                                        */
\overline{\text{GPU}} \text{ ACQ BW} = 200.0000
                                                                        */
                              /* 0,4,8,16,32,64,128 As frac of Nyq, Val = OFF */
GPU FINAL BW= 0
GPU EDGE FRQ= 0.000000
                              /* Freq Entry in steps of Nyq, Val = 0 */
GPU CHAN MAX= 2048
                              /* 512, 1024, and 2048 are possible. */
GPU CHAN NUM= 0:2047:1
                              /* any range i:j:1;for i,j<chan max</pre>
                                                                       */
GPU_STOKES = 4
                             /* 1 SinglePolUSB-130; 2 Total_Intensity; 4 Full_Stokes
                                                                                            */
GPU_RF
            = 700 700
                             /* 150 235 325 610 610D 1060 1170 1280 1390 1420
                                                                                  */
GPU LO-1
            = 540 540
                             /* are in respective values of GWB RF */
                             /* 1 : LSB (LO > RF) and -1 : USB (LO < RF)
GPU SIDEBAND= 1
                                                                             */
GPU CNTRL
           = 1
                              /* 0 -LOCAL, 1 -ONLINE, 2 -MANUAL
                                                                       */
GPU FSTOP
                              /* 1 - ON, 0 - OFF
                                                                        */
            = 1
GPU BEAM 1 = 2:4
                             /* 0-OFF,1-IA,2-PA */
GPU_BEAM_2
            = 1:1
                            /* 0-OFF,1-PA,2-PA */
            = 128
GPU BM INT
                                 /* BEAM INTEGRATION (No. OF FFT CYCLES) i.e. 128
GPU GAINEQ
            = 1
                               /* 1 - ON, 0 - OFF
                                                                       */
GPU TPA
            = 1
                              /* 0 - From online tpa, 1 - From GWB GUI. */
}Corrsel
END OF HEADER
                                  /* VERSION RELEASED */
```

#### Sampler Settings :

sampler.hdr (sample file):

```
{ Sampler.def
  All the even numbered are lower pipelines of the samplers.
* All the odd numbered are upper pipelines of the samplers.
* SamplerId = Ant Band
* Top bin ( Cable starts from 0 )
* SampId = Ant BandId FftId
SMP000 = C04 USB-130 000
SMP001 = C06 USB-130 001
SMP002 = C10 USB-130 002
SMP003 = E06 USB-130 003
SMP004 = S02 USB-130 004
SMP005 = S04 USB-130 005
SMP006 = W01 USB-130 006
SMP007 = W04 USB-130 007
} Sampler
END OF HEADER
```



Illustration 4: antenna connections to correlator sampler for sampler.hdr

Preferred Settings (on astr	ro8.gmrt.ncra.tifr.res.in) 📃 🗧 🗧 🗶
GPU Config Parameters SAMPLER S	Settings Host Machine Setup
	Used nodes in-order :
HOSTS :	Name of the Node : Slots :
ONLINE :	
Main - CORR : node52 🔻	
Beam 1 Host : node54 🔻	
Beam 2 Host : node53 -	
Save Load	



#### Hosts Machine Setup :

hosts.dat (sample file):

\*lenyadri 192.168.1.13 6001 ComSock4 shivneri 192.168.1.12 6001 ComSock4 node52 192.168.11.16 6002 LogSock4 node54 192.168.11.18 6002 LogSock4 node53 192.168.11.17 6002 LogSock4

NOTE : host.list file modification through gui (used nodes in order) is disabled.

#### **IMPORTANT**:

- i. GWB (GPU) can be run in parallel with GSB.
  - 1. Using above mentioned procedure. i.e. Using sockcmd.sh and dassrv-gpu processes.
  - 2. Using getcmd mode, while GSB is already running. No need to start sockcmd.sh and dassrv-gpu processes.
  - 3. Options to start client windows with sockcmd.sh and without sockcmd.sh are available in "Start->Gwb -Windows" options. And use gpucmd commands from online machine with arguments as initndas, initprj, strtndas, stpndas, etc.
  - 4. If no subar number is provided for gpucmd command then it will be executed for subar 4.
- ii. Dasmon is released, and can be started with following command : ssh -X gpuuser@node52 -f dasmon

#### **GWB - GAB Power Equalise :**

Power Equalise program is released for GWB, Which uses the output self visibility data from GWB and Equalises the Power levels at GAB (GMRT Analog Backend) System.

#### **GWB POWER EQUALISE USING GUI :**

GWB Power Equalise GUI Can be Started from the main DasConsole GUI from **"MenuBar->Tools->GWB\_PowerEq" or CTRL** + E as an accelerator. (as explained earlier in GWB-CORRELATOR).

Also, The same can be started manually as follows :

#### Steps -

1. Log on to <u>gpuuser@192.168.16.52</u> (node52 = 192.168.16.52).

- 2. Enter command as : /home/gpuuser/GWB/ver3/bin/released/gwbpeq
- 3. Select the antennas connected to the GAB and GWB.
- 4. Initially make all GAB attenuation's same for both the polarization's, as set in the cdsetX file, or change Attenuation's to MAXIMUM, by clicking on button 'MAX Attn', apply it to GAB accordingly.
- 5. Set the Optimum level, Begining channel, End channel, Upper level, Lower level and Integrations as per requirement.
- 6. Click on the button save to generate text files as per selected gui options.

- 7. Click the button 'EQUALISE' to start first iteration.
- 8. Run the process 'run gwblev' from userX window from online(2-3 times).
- 9. Repeat steps 5 and 6 till optimum level is attained.

#### Manual Steps to Power Equalisation (without GUI) :

- 1. ssh -X gpuuser@node52
- 2. Edit the file */home/gpuuser/GWB/PowerEq/gab\_attn.cur* set the attenuation values for both polarisation to values which are already set from cdsetX file for GAB.
- 3. Run the following command *power\_eq -o 100 -c 1 -u 100000 -l 0 -b 100 -e 20000 -i 2 -m shivneri* Or

#### *power\_eq -o 100 -c 1 -u 100000 -l 0 -b 100 -e 20000 -i 2 -m lenyadri* Note that *-h* option for above program will print help regarding the options used by it. This will generate the new attenuation values for the selected or required antennas and modifies the above *gab\_attn.cur* file (Content of the file will be as given below).

- 4. After this, From Online userX please run "run gwblev" 2-3 times.
- 5. Repeat steps 3 and 4 till the optimum power levels at GWB output are achieved.

#### Content of gab\_attn.cur

#ANT SEL ATTN130 ATTN175

C00	0	0.0	0.0
C01	0	0.0	0.0
C02	0	0.0	0.0
C03	0	0.0	0.0
C04	1	10.0	10.0
C05	0	0.0	0.0
C06	1	12.5	12.5
C08	0	0.0	0.0
C09	0	0.0	0.0
C10	1	10.0	10.0
C11	0	0.0	0.0
C12	0	0.0	0.0
C13	0	0.0	0.0
C14	0	0.0	0.0
S01	0	0.0	0.0
S02	1	14.5	14.5
S03	0	0.0	0.0
S04	1	12.5	12.5
S06	0	0.0	0.0
E02	0	0.0	0.0
E03	0	0.0	0.0
E04	0	0.0	0.0
E05	0	0.0	0.0
E06	1	16.5	16.5
W01	1	0.0	0.0
W02	0	0.0	0.0
W03	0	0.0	0.0
W04	1	10.0	10.0
W05	0	0.0	0.0
W06	0	0.0	0.0

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	GPU-GAB POWER EQUALISE																												
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ANTENNA																													
ATTEN P1	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	0.0	) 🛔	0.0	*	0.0	*
ATTEN P2	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	0.0	) 🛓	0.0	*	0.0	*
	<b>S0</b>	2	50	3	50	4	500	6	EO	2	EO	3	E04	1	EO	5	EO	6	wo	1	WO	2	W03	V	/04	w	05	WO	6
ANTENNA																										LE			
ATTEN P1	0.0	*	0.0	*	3.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	11.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	0.0	)	0.0	*	0.0	*
ATTEN P2	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	-	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	0.0	) 🛔	0.0	*	0.0	*
Optimum Le	evel	1	00				1415	•	Upp	er L	evel	1	0000	0				•					I Se	et All	Attn	& Ga	lin		
Begining Cl	nann	2	50						Low	er L	evel	el O					•										.0.5		
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									E	2U/	LISI										AT	TEN	N P2:	_	++0.	5	-	-0.5	
ALL				CLE	AR			FL	.IP			SA	VE			F	ſP			LO	AD		MA	X At	n		QU	п	

Illustration 6: Power Equalisation GUI for GWB-GAB.

### **Running Phasing on GWB data :**

This can be invoked from GWB-CORRELATOR Main Window from "**Tools** -> **Pulsar Tools** -> **GWB Phasing**", or pressing **Alt**+**P** as an accelerator.

- 160-1100-100			Paradone (VI)
<u>GWB</u>	PHASING	WINE	bow
Reference ANTENNA :	C00	-	(From Sub-array
SUB-ARRAY :	1	\$	(1-5)
<u>Data Kecoraing</u> TIMF ·	30	* *	( In Seconds)
Project Code :			( Project code )
	Quit	Ant	sel Run Phasin

Illustration 7: Phasing widget to run and apply phasing iteration on GWB.

This utility temporarily provided with small tool which calls the phase\_gwb.pl from online machine. Phasing Widget allows to choose the following :

- **Reference Antenna** Name for selected sub-array.
- **Sub-array** Number for which to carry phasing iteration.
- **Data recording Time** on which Phasing will work for the solutions.
- **Project Code** to be entered for related subarray which is used.

**<u>Note</u>** : Antenna selection Button is provided, but code for Antsel is not yet ready.

### Starting Pulsar Acquisition GUI (Beam1 and Beam2) :

- 1. logon to **<u>observer@astro8</u>** and enter commands as :
  - cd ~/bin/gpucorr/ver3/
  - ./gpu\_psr or ./gwb-psr\_das (for node52).

This will open a qt interface for gwb correlator (gwb-dasconsole).

NOTE : files gpu.hdr, sampler.hdr, sampler\_1pol.hdr, sampler\_dual.hdr, default.hdr, hosts.dat, host.list, must be available in the '~/bin/gpucorr/ver3' directory. OR

This can Also be Started from the main GPU-CORRELATOR Window as Explained above in earlier section GWB-CORRELATOR .

The GUI has two workspaces. First for Beam 1 and the other for beam 2. In each workspaces, client windows can be opened from start menu.

 On Menubar go to "Start -> All Windows" or "Ctrl+N" or go to "Start -> BEAM1 -Windows -> All " to open all client processes to run gwb incoherent array pulsar mode processes on node54(192.168.16.54).

This will popup the client processing windows for Beam 1 host machine (set from the Preferences of the Main DasConsole GUI), in the following order :

- 1. "node54::bm1\_process\_psr": It can also be termed as incoherent array pulsar data acquisition and processing client.
- 2. "node54::collect\_psr": This dumps the incoherent array pulsar data into the Shared memory.
- 3. "node54::bm1\_record\_psr": one can write the acquired incoherent pulsar data into specified .raw format file as per requirement.
- 3. Start the clients processes listed in 2.1 and 2.2 (bm1\_process\_psr and collect\_psr) by pressing Blue (start) button on the Client windows.
- 4. On the ToolBar There are Four Different Buttons viz., InitBm1, StartBm1, StopBm1, FinishBm1, etc.

 On Menubar go to "Start -> All Windows" or "Ctrl+N" or go to "Start -> BEAM2 -Windows -> All " to open all client processes to run gwb coherent array pulsar mode processes on node53(192.168.16.53).

This will popup the client processing windows for Beam 2 host machine (set from the Preferences of the Main DasConsole GUI), in the following order :

- 1. "**node53::bm1\_process\_psr**": It can also be termed as incoherent array pulsar data acquisition and processing client.
- 2. "node53::collect\_psr": This dumps the incoherent array pulsar data into the Shared memory.

3. "node53::bm2\_record\_psr":

one can write the acquired incoherent pulsar data into specified .raw format file as per requirement.

- 6. Start the clients processes listed in 2.1 and 2.2 (bm1\_process\_psr and collect\_psr) by pressing Blue (start) button on the Client windows.
- 7. On the ToolBar There are Four Different Buttons viz., InitBm2, StartBm2, StopBm2, FinishBm2, etc.
- 8. In addition to this, There are Buttons to control data for pulsar beams which are named by InitBoth, StartBoth, StopBoth, FinishBoth. These four buttons will control the process in simultaneously, If user is working with the Both Beam data.
  - 1. InitBm1/InitBm2/InitBoth:

Initializes the beam1 and beam2 Process Pulsar Beam Acquistion.

- 2. StartBm1/StartBm2/StartBoth : Starts the pulsar DATA acquisition for beam1 and beam2 collect pulsar.
- 3. StopBm1/StopBm2/StopBoth :

Stops the pulsar DATA acquisition for beam1 and beam2 collect pulsar.

4. FinishBm1/FinishBm2/FinishBoth :

Halts the beam1 and beam2 Processes Pulsar Beam acquisition.

**<u>Note</u>**: All The above pulsar command process execution under Toolbar Buttons, can also be done from online machine terminal with commands as :

- 1. gwb\_bm1.finish\*/gwb\_bm2.finish\*
- 2. gwb\_bm1.init\* / gwb\_bm2.init\*
- 3. gwb\_bm1.start\* / gwb\_bm2.start\*
- 4. gwb\_bm1.stop\* / gwb\_bm2.stop\*



Illustration 8: Pulsar Data acquisition Interface (Pulsar DAS) showing PA and IA processes.

### Troubleshooting :

If acquisition program fails to run then check for the following :

- 1. Machines required to run gpu cluster are ON.
- 2. Check for the Processes DualAdcConfig and SetCluster are getting executed sucessfully, If not then GWB ROACH-BOARDS may not be communicating / hanged / not in sync with each other. Sometimes extension of this can be observed in acquisition program "gwb\_corr\_released.sh"
- 3. Check for the processes , shared memory segment which are not closed properly. According clear those processes and shared memory segments, using following commands on gpu node52

a. /home/gpuuser/bin/released/clear\_all\_node\_shm.csh // for shm

- b. */home/gpuuser/bin/released/kill\_all\_nodes.csh* // for orte-clean
- 4. Check for background mpi processes and clear the same.





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### **1. Switch OFF procedure.**

a. Switch off the ROACH UNITS 192.168.100.76 & 192.168.100.73 in the GWB rack by holding down the Black switch on the front panel for  $\sim$ 5 sec.

b. Switch off the Signal Generator, kept at bottom of the GWB rack. This feeds clock signal of 400 MHz, +17dBm to the ROACH borads.

c. No need to switch off the SMPS used for PPS unit. This will get switched off directly from mains.

d. No need to switch off the infiniband switch. This will get switched off directly from mains.

e. Halt the control PC (192.168.4.68) which is a 1U pc in the GWB rack. NOTE : a. ssh -X root@192.168.4.68 (gmrttifr) b. halt -p

f. Halt the compute nodes 192.168.4.75(gpunode6), 192.168.4.76(gpunode5), 192.168.4.77(gpunode4) & 192.168.4.78(gpunode3). NOTE1 : a. ssh -X root@192.168.4.xx (123\$abc) b. halt -p NOTE2 : Switch off the 4 host nodes, node 192.168.16.51(node51), 192.168.16.52(node52), 192.168.16.53(node53) & 192.168.16.54(node54) with GSB system only. NOTE1 : a. ssh -X root@192.168.16.xx (123\$abc) b. halt -p

### 2. Switch ON procedure.

a. Switch ON the control PC (192.168.4.68).

b. Make sure the infiniband switch is ON.

c. Make sure the PPS unit is Switched ON.

d. Switch ON the Signal Generator, kept at bottom of the GWB rack. Set the frequency to 400 Mhz, amplitude to +17dBm, MOD off and RF ON.



Steps : 1. Press "Frequency" key

- 2. Type "400" from the numbers
- 3. Select "MHz" from the "soft keys"
- 4. Press "Amplitude" key
- 5. Type "17" from the numbers
- 6. Select "dbm" from the soft keys
- 7. Press "MOD On/Off" key to turn it off.
- 8. Press "RF On/Off" key to turn it on.
- 9. Press "Utility" key
- 10. Select "Reference" from the soft keys
- 11. Select "EXT REF" from the soft keys

1/0 -AMPLITUDE ( NA ) 17.0 dBm 400. 0000000 MHz MOD OFF EXTREF DH INCAL Waveform Rate Source Dep/Dev State Mod 1HT 1HT 0.0 % 2014-06-01 15.33 02/06/20

Final screen on the Signal generator should look like the one given in the picture below :

e. Switch ON the ROACH UNITS 192.168.100.76 & 192.168.100.73 in the GWB rack by holding down the Black switch on the front panel for ~2 sec.

f. Swich ON the compute nodes 192.168.4.75(gpunode6), 192.168.4.76(gpunode5), 192.168.4.77(gpunode4) & 192.168.4.78(gpunode3). And host nodes, node 192.168.16.51(node51), 192.168.16.52(node52), 192.168.16.53(node53) & 192.168.16.54(node54) with GSB system.

