

The DiFX Documentation Pages

Getting Started with DiFX

If you have not already, please join the DiFX-Users mailing list - to do this, go to <https://listmgr.nrao.edu/mailman/listinfo/difx-users> and sign up.

You might find it enlightening to [browse the SVN source tree on Trac](#).

Read the [Reference Manual](#) which has a lot of detail about the NRAO installation of DiFX and a lot of information about the helper programs for configuring the correlator and managing the output.

The (now-defunct) forum on the old DiFX-users Google Groups page (<https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/difx-users>) might also have useful information, so feel free to swing past there and search old threads for answers to questions you might have.

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[vdifio](#) vdif access libraries

[espresso](#) (scripts for managing file based correlation) documentation

[difxdb](#) (database extension of difx)

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Other useful collections of information

[Subversion](#) tips and tricks

[Description of correlator amplitude scaling](#)

[DiFX2.0 explained](#) - the differences between DiFX1.5 and DiFX2.0

[File Descriptions](#)

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[Phase-cal extraction in DiFX](#)

[Using DiFX with non-power of two FFTs \(beta!\)](#)

[The DiFX release process \(how to tag\)](#)

[Chris' summary of routine call sequence](#)

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[Current status of VDIF support in DiFX](#)

[Plot DiFX extracted pulse cal data](#)

[Material for DiFX exercises at the IVS school 2016](#)

Auxilliary documentation

[vex documentation](#)

[FITS documentation](#)

[Mark5 documentation](#)

[fuseMK5 installation recipe](#)

Out of date documentation

[The DiFX memory size/datarate calculator](#) (now available as a C program in the difxio library)

[Photos of the DiFX layout, drawn on a whiteboard in Bonn](#)

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