Haystack Status

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Projects

- Mark6 Recorders
- SDK 9.X for Mark5's
- RDBE Development
- Trials



Mark6

- Ongoing Trials
 - Four RDBE-H systems
 - Each generating 2Gbps Mark5B formatted data
 - 8Gbps aggregate data rate
 - 30 sec. duration on / 30 secconds off
 - Mark6
 - Writing the data to a single disk module
 - Burst mode functionality
 - Controlled by RM6_CC application
 - Converts sked observing schedule to XML
 - RDBE / Mark6 Control



Mark6

- Stress Testing
 - Input data rates of 4 / 8 / 16 Gbps
 - VDIF formatted
 - 8224 bytes
 - Writing out to 1 (8) / 2 (16) / 4 (32) disk modules (disks)
 - 24 hour recordings sessions
 - 15 minutes recording durations
 - Goal is to stress and quantify software / system





SDK9.X

- Mark5A/5B/5B+ systems
 - Now supports SDK9.2
 - USNO has upgraded 1 system
 - After processing backlog will upgrade 3 more
- Conduant just released SDK9.3
 - 32 and 64 bit kernel support
 - New xbar version for Amazon / XF2 controllers
 - Under Test





RDBE Development

- Firmware version 3.0
 - PFB
 - Tsys
 - Pulse cal extraction
 - Attenuator control
 - GPS-1pps internal timing comparison
 - Data format VDIF
 - Complex data
 - Multiple channels / thread
 - VTP compliant
 - 2 or 4Gbps output
 - Single Port



Trials

- Broadband Dev
 - Westford to GGAO 12 meter baseline tests
 - QRFH Feeds
 - RDBE-H -> Mark5C
 - FS Control
- EHT session just completed
 - SMA/JCMT, SMTO, CARMA, Pico Veleta,
 APEX, and Plateau de Bure
 - RDBE-S / Mark5C
 - ibob / Mark5B+ and phase array processor



Thank you / Questions?

