

# jive5ab

and support acts `m5copy`, `vbs_fs`  
`DirList.py`, `SSErase.py`

# Upcoming release 2.9 ?

Technically not necessary ...

# Stations upgrade to Debian 9.2+

No `.deb` for that so compile from source. Oh wait ...

GNU compiler/system changes!

`g++` compiler defaults to `c++14` standard  
impossible to revert to true 2003 `c++` standard (fixed source)

tighter type checks  $\Rightarrow$  few warnings  
used the wrong `abs()` function in few places (fixed)

`readdir_r(3)` was deprecated, now completely removed  
rewrite bits of source, affects `vbfs_fs` too! (both fixed)

# So nothing changed then???

also not entirely .TRUE.

# Support for crippled Mark5s

Crippled = Mark5 without I/O board [AB] or daughter board [C]  
Thus: only StreamStor card present

- `jive5ab` now handles this gracefully
- *all* disk-related functionality remains working
  - only `record + in2*` functions missing
- reflected in changed `dts_id?` response
  - `!dts_id? 0 : StreamStor : . . . . ;`
- `m5copy`, `DirList.py`, `SSErase.py` updated
  - these tools query + check `dts_id`



# Remote mount/unmount disk pack

Before clean power down of Mark5, banks must be *keyed off* key *transition* triggers `firmware` to power off a bank!

- so can software do this too?
  - Yes! `jive5ab` can key a bank *on* or *off*
- start transfer, go home, unmount bank, power down cleanly
- `add mount = [A|B], unmount=[A|B] commands`



# Record status on FlexBuff

Is now properly returned in `status?` query response

## **status** – Get system **status** (query only)

Query syntax: `status?` ;

Query response: `!status? <return code> : <status word> [ : <error number> : <error message> [ : <error time> ] ] ;`

Purpose: Get general system **status**

Monitor-only parameters:

Parameter	Type	Values	Comments
<code>&lt;status word&gt;</code>	hex	-	Bit 0 – (0x0001) system ‘ready’ Bit 1 – (0x0002) error message(s) pending; (message may be appended); messages may be queued; error is <b>NOT</b> cleared by this command. See also ‘error?’ query Bit 2 – (0x0004) not used Bit 3 – (0x0008) one or more ‘delayed-completion’ commands are pending. Also set whenever any data-transfer activity, such as recording, playing, or transfer to or from disk or net, is active or waiting. Bit 4 – (0x0010) one or more ‘delayed-completion’ queries are pending Bit 5 – (0x0020) Disk-FIFO mode Bit 6 - (0x0040) record ‘on’ Bit 7 - (0x0080) media full (recording halted) Bit 8 - (0x0100) readback ‘on’ Bit 9 - (0x0200) end of record on media (readback halted)



# scan\_check?

This really is the bane of our existence *\*sigh\**

- `<missing bytes>` miscalculated if `>1` VDIF threads (fixed)
  - overestimated by a factor of number-of-VDIF-threads
- heuristics for inferring recording bit rate for VDIF (improved)
  - now using all available information (frame numbers)
- 2Gbps Mark5B scan\_check? failing
  - it was not a Mark5B+ and `jive5ab` did not error! (fixed)

# Fixes due to user feedback

Indebted to individuals who find misbehavings/suggestions!

- compiler complains about confusing indentation (fixed) [AriM]
- off-by-one in initializing array of valid-number-of-bits (fixed) [AriM]
- unclear FILA10G=1 documentation in INSTALL (clarified) [EskilV]
- Mark5A default clock frequency wrong (fixed) [EdH]
- Mark5A play\_rate= should accept *float*, not just *int*! (fixed) [EdH]  
(documentation was misread by YT)

# Timeline? It is in progress

In-field validation done.

Documentation needs changing:

- New command(s)
- Changed command(s)
- Undocumented command(s)
  - `group_def=`

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