

# CLIC

## Continuum and Line Interferometer Calibration

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## 1 Introduction

**CLIC** is a software developed at IRAM to support the calibration of the data from the NOEMA interferometer. It stands for Continuum and Line Interferometric Calibration and is part of the **GILDAS** package. We refer to the **GILDAS** documentation for further information on the **GILDAS** software. **CLIC** uses code from the so-called **GILDAS** kernel like **SIC** for command interpretation or **GREG** for the plots. It also uses routines from **ASTRO** to do astronomical computations. **CLIC** uses a specific binary format for data files (see section 3) produced at the NOEMA observatory by an online reduction software called **RDI**, that itself uses the **CLIC** libraries (for data writing, atmospheric calibration, pointing and focus solving, etc.).

**CLIC** is also adapted to the NOEMA observatory in terms of commands. It provides the tools to do the required calibrations using the NOEMA nomenclature (for example, the presence of a noise source at NOEMA allows to align all spectral windows connected to a baseband in amplitude and phase, so the passband calibration is then done per baseband and applies to all the spectral windows that pertain to that baseband).

As part of the ALMA project, **CLIC** has been used to assess the performances of the ALMA antennas through holographies. A branch of **CLIC** has then been ported to **TELCAL**, the online calibration software of ALMA. This activity has led to the development of import capabilities, first as **TI-FITS**, then as **ASDM**. While these capabilities are deprecated using IRAM **HEAD** version, branches of **CLIC** are still used to reduce holographies for ALMA as previously mentioned and for the Yebes 40m telescope (using **TI-FITS**). IRAM has also developed a package, called **MRTHOLO**, that process **IMB-FITS** from the 30m telescope and produces **IPB** file, for reduction of 30m holographies within **CLIC**.

The output files after calibration are uv tables, in the **GILDAS** data format (**GDF**). Export possibilities are provided through **UV-FITS** (see **MAPPING** documentation).

This document describe first how **CLIC** files are organized, then describes the commands. The details of NOEMA data calibration are left to the documentation of the pipeline.

The appendix contains the online help of **CLIC**.



## 2 Formalism

### 2.1 Nomenclature

For NOEMA, we follow the nomenclature defined in the document "Frequency Band Naming Convention".

The receiver transforms and filters the input RF signals. Its output consists of one or more intermediate frequency bands, that we call IFs. These IFs are eventually then further processed by an IF processor that does another round of transformation and filtering bringing the signal to baseband for further use downstream. That input to the correlator is what we call baseband in this document and in CLIC . The correlator then processes the baseband in one or more spectral windows, that are a continuous set of adjacent channels sharing a correlator mode (including channel spacing). A given data set may hold spectral windows with different channel spacing though.

### 2.2 Frequency and time

#### 2.2.1 Calibration

The goal of the calibration is to estimate and correct for the instrumental gain in order to have an unbiased estimate of the true visibilities. We use a simplified version of the radio-interferometry measurement equation. The (complex) visibility  $\tilde{V}_{ijk}$  measured on the baseline from antenna  $i$  to antenna  $j$  at frequency channel  $k$  is related to the true object visibility  $V_{ij}$  by

$$\tilde{V}_{ijk} = g_i(t)g_j^*(t)b_{ijk}(t)V_{ij}(u_k(t), v_k(t)) + \text{noiseterm} \quad (1)$$

where  $u_k(t)$  and  $v_k(t)$  are the spatial frequencies corresponding to baseline  $ij$  at time  $t$  and frequency  $k$ , and we assume the object has a flat spectrum. Calibrating the data is computing the complex "calibration curves"  $g_i(t)$  and  $b_{ijk}(t)$ .

#### 2.2.2 Frequency dependance

$b_{ijk}(t)$  is the bandpass of the detection system, and is usually almost constant with time. It can be formally decomposed as a product of RF bandpass, caused by receivers and cables and usually with weak dependence on frequency, and IF bandpass, caused by the backend (spectral and continuum correlators at Bure).

#### 2.2.3 Time dependance

For  $g_i(t)$ , we must separate the calibration of amplitude and phases since amplitude and phase errors have very different origins. The amplitude corrections are related to several effects: atmospheric absorption, receiver gain, antenna gain (affected by pointing errors, defocussing, surface status and systematic elevation effects), and correlation losses due to phase noise. Phase errors may come from delay errors, baseline errors, or a slow drift in atmospheric or receiver phases.

## 2.3 Noise

### 2.3.1 Temperatures

The power  $P_a$  received by an antenna in a bandwidth  $\delta\nu$  is conveniently expressed in term of **antenna temperature**,  $T_a$ , which is the temperature for which an equivalent resistor would

give the same power  $P_a$ , following the Nyquist noise formula:

$$P_a = kT_a\delta\nu \quad (2)$$

As the quantity  $T_a$  is affected by the atmospheric absorption  $e^{-\tau_{atm}}$  and the antenna forward coupling factor  $\eta_f$ , we define the quantity  $T_a^*$  through:

$$T_a^* = \frac{(1 + g_{im})}{\eta_f} e^{\tau_{atm}} T_a \quad (3)$$

The  $(1 + g_{im})$ , where  $g_{im}$  is the image band rejection factor, accounts for a single sideband signal.

**Brightness temperature**,  $T_b$ , is the Rayleigh-Jeans temperature  $T_b$  of an equivalent black-body which would give the same power per unit area per unit frequency and per unit solid angle  $I_\nu$  as the celestial source:

$$T_b = \frac{c^2}{2k\nu^2} I_\nu \quad (4)$$

For a resolved source, the antenna temperature is equal to the sky brightness temperature. For an unresolved source, the coupling between antenna temperature  $T_a^*$  and source flux density  $S_\nu$  is:

$$T_a^* = \frac{\eta_a A}{2k} S_\nu = \frac{1}{J} S_\nu \quad (5)$$

where  $J = \frac{2k}{\eta_a A}$  is the antenna efficiency.

The **noise temperature** is the sum of the various noise contributions:

$$T_{noise} = T_{bg} + T_{sky} + T_{spill} + T_{rec} \quad (6)$$

where  $T_{bg}$  is the cosmic background,  $T_{sky}$  is the sky noise,  $T_{spill}$  is the ground noise pickup and  $T_{rec}$  is the receiver noise temperature. The forward efficiency  $\eta_f$  is a property of the antenna that indicates how much coupling there is in the forward hemisphere with respect to the full  $4\pi$  sphere. With an atmosphere at a physical temperature  $T_{atm}$  and with an opacity  $\tau_{atm}$  at the observed frequency, the sky noise and ground pickup temperature are expressed as:

$$T_{sky} = \eta_f (1 - e^{-\tau_{atm}}) T_{atm} \quad (7)$$

$$T_{spill} = (1 - \eta_f) T_{ground} \quad (8)$$

$T_{sys}$  is the **system temperature**, the noise equivalent temperature  $T_{noise}$  of the receiving chain referred to a perfect antenna located outside the atmosphere and for a single sideband signal:

$$T_{sys} = \frac{1 + g_{im}}{\eta_f} e^{\tau_{atm}} T_{noise} \quad (9)$$

### 2.3.2 Radiometric equation

The radiometric equation (eq. 11) gives the thermal noise  $\sigma$  as a function of observing bandwidth  $\delta\nu$ , integration time  $\delta t$ , for an array with  $n$  antennas, where  $A$  is the geometric surface of an antenna and  $\eta_a$  is the aperture efficiency. It also depends on the correlator efficiency  $\eta_q$  and the phase decorrelation factor  $\eta_p$ .

For a baseline, we have the following noise equation:

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{\eta_q \eta_p} \frac{\sqrt{2k}}{\eta_a A} \frac{T_{sys}}{\sqrt{\delta\nu \delta t}} \quad (10)$$

The array point source sensitivity is given by:

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{\eta_q \eta_p} \frac{2k}{\eta_a A} \frac{T_{sys}}{\sqrt{n(n-1)\delta\nu \delta t}} \quad (11)$$

### 2.3.3 Weights

As usual, the weights  $W_{ij}$  associated to a visibility  $V_{ij}$  are defined to be: <sup>1</sup>

$$W_{ij} = \frac{1}{\sigma_{ij}^2} \quad (12)$$

## 2.4 Amplitude and phase

The visibilities are complex numbers, whose real and imaginary parts are measured in the correlator. However, since amplitude and phase distortions have different physical origin, and that amplitude and phase errors have quite distinct consequences in the image plane, one often decomposes the visibilities in amplitude and phase following:

$$V_{ij}(t) = a_{ij}(t)e^{i\varphi_{ij}(t)} \quad (13)$$

### 2.4.1 Closure relationships

It follows that if the gains are antenna based like in equation 1, we have the following closure relationships:

$$\tilde{\varphi}_{ij} + \tilde{\varphi}_{jk} - \tilde{\varphi}_{ik} = \varphi_{ij} + \varphi_{jk} - \varphi_{ik} \quad (14)$$

$$\frac{\tilde{a}_{ij}\tilde{a}_{kl}}{\tilde{a}_{ik}\tilde{a}_{jl}} = \frac{a_{ij}a_{kl}}{a_{ik}a_{jl}} \quad (15)$$

### 2.4.2 Statistics

It is worth noting that while the noise in the real and imaginary parts of the visibilities follows gaussian statistics, with a null expected value, the amplitude and phase do not, especially at low signal-to-noise. The amplitude in particular is by definition positively biased, i.e. has a non-null expected value even in the absence of signal.

Figure 1 shows the probability distribution for the amplitude and real part of the visibilities for various signal-to-noise ratios and compares the expected values for both quantities. Figure 2 shows the probability distribution for the phase. It follows that at low signal-to-noise a detection is more easily seen on the phase than on the amplitude.

### 2.4.3 Averaging

The averaging of phase fluctuations will produce an amplitude decorrelation. For example, a phase jitter with gaussian noise  $\phi$  will introduce a factor  $e^{-\phi^2/2}$  of decorrelation if the real and imaginary parts are averaged (this is the classical definition of complex averages). CLIC offers the possibility to do averaging on the real and imaginary part or to average amplitude and phase (see SET AVERAGING for more details). In the latter case, the amplitude bias may lead to surprising results in the case of low signal-to-noise. For instance, the amplitude of the low spectral resolution windows may not be the same as the high spectral resolution spectral windows. Note also that if the averaging implies a decorrelation, then baseline based factors are introduced and the closure relationship does not hold anymore for amplitude.

<sup>1</sup>The weights in the GILDAS format `.uvf` tables are computed with a bandwidth in MHz and an antenna efficiency in Jy/K (rest of units are S.I.), so there is a factor  $10^6$  to be applied to the weights to get  $1/\text{Jy}^2$  unit for the weights (or  $10^{-3}$  to the sensitivity to get Jy).

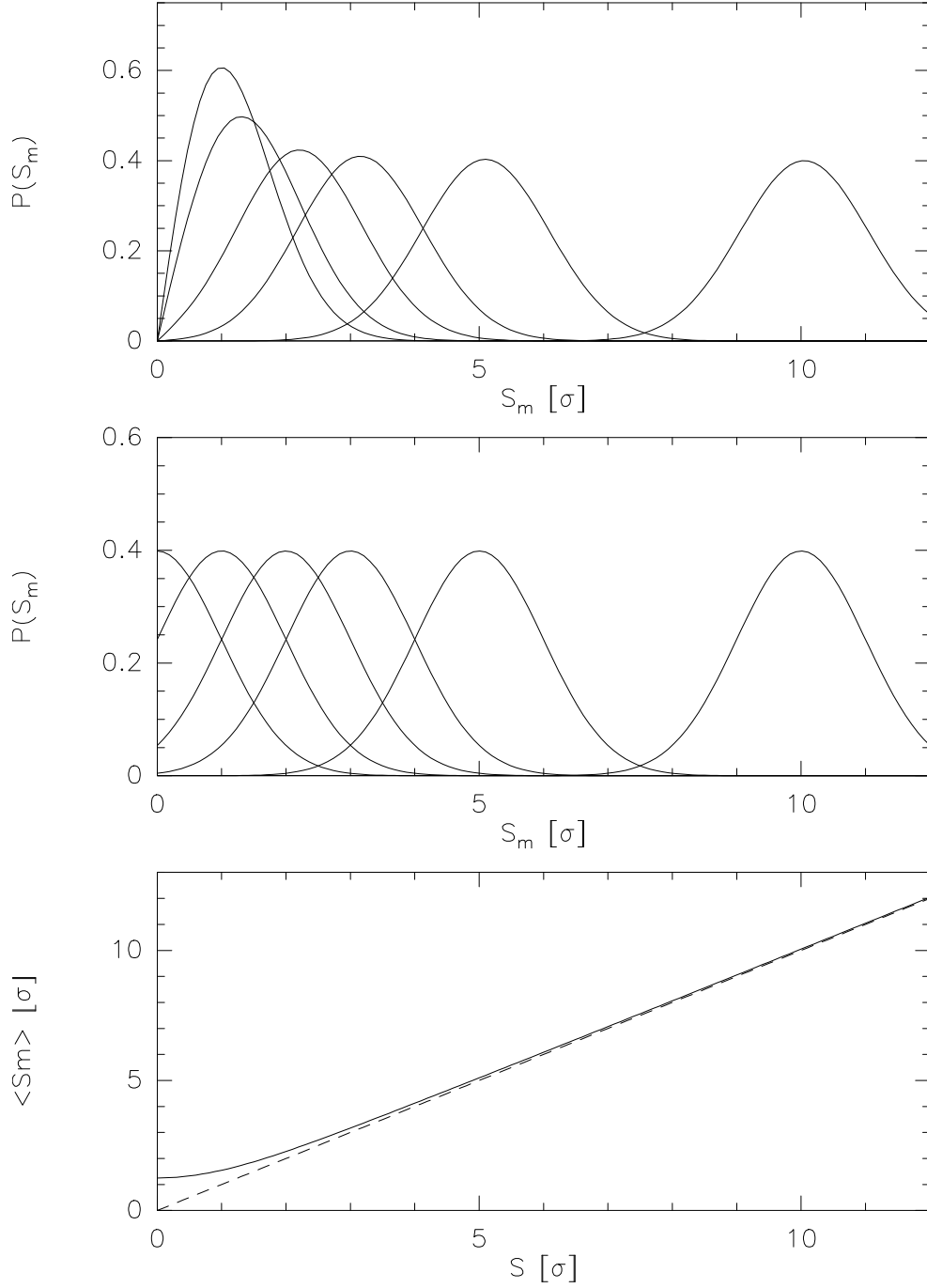


Figure 1: Probability distribution for the amplitude (**Top**) and real part (**Middle**) of the visibilities for various signal-to-noise ratio (0,1,2,3,5,10). Adapted from Wrobel and Walker (1999). **Bottom:** Expected value for the amplitude as a function of signal strength (in unit of  $\sigma$ ) for the amplitude (plain curve) and real part (dashed curve).

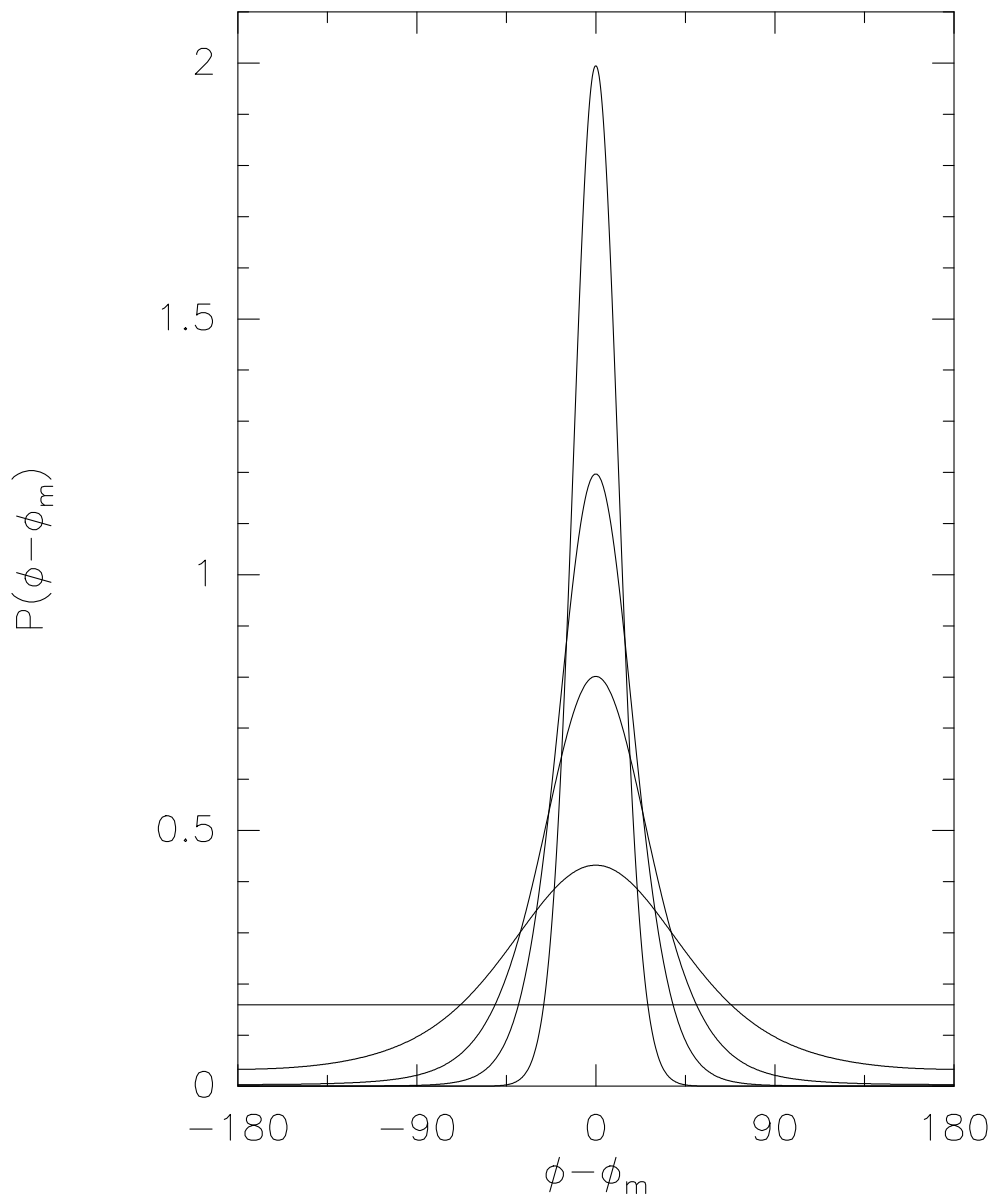


Figure 2: Probability distribution for the phase of the visibilities for various signal-to-noise ratio (0,1,2,3,5). Adapted from Wrobel and Walker (1999).

## 2.5 Baseline and antennas

In equation 1, the instrumental gain is implicitly described as a product of two antenna gains:

$$G_{ij}(t) = g_i(t) \cdot g_j^*(t) \quad (16)$$

This is usually satisfied, unless averaging in time or frequency introduce a decorrelation. For a point source at the phase center, the true visibilities are constant in the uv plane with value  $(S,0)$ , where  $S$  is the source flux density, so we have a set of equations:

$$\widetilde{V}_{ij} = g_i \cdot g_j^* S \quad (17)$$

or equivalently:

$$\widetilde{\varphi}_{ij} = \phi_j - \phi_i \quad (18)$$

$$\widetilde{a}_{ij} = a_i \cdot a_j \cdot S \quad (19)$$

## 3 Files

### 3.1 Principle

The **CLIC** data format was derived from the **CLASS** data format, and while there are some specificities unique to **CLASS** or **CLIC**, the data format itself is generic enough that in 2013, the low-level routines from both were factorized in a new **CLASSIC** library. The readers interested in more details are invited to refer to the **CLASSIC** documentation. In essence, a file is composed of a file header and one or more extension(s). The file header provides information about the file system used to encode the file, so both little endian and big endian are supported. **CLASSIC** files are fortran direct access, unformatted binary files that are accessed record by record. The record length has an impact on the I/O depending on the file system and is stored in the file header. This should be considered for any discussion on performances.

The extensions contain an extension index, and observations. The extension index contains all the observation titles of the observations in the extension. The observation title is composed of 32 4-bytes word (see table 1), allowing a quick search for observations matching any combination of these words without having to read all of the file. Observations are independant and can be read individually, which allows only the desired subset of data to be read. With large datasets of hundreds of gigabytes, it is also important to use memory as efficiently as possible so **CLIC** uses its own cache. The size of the memory that **CLIC** has access to is controled by the **SPACE\_CLIC** logical name. It can be set with the command **SIC LOGICAL SPACE\_CLIC** value, with value in MB, unless the unit is specified, e.g. 64GB or a fraction of the RAM size is specified, e.g. 50%. The ideal situation is when the value accessible to **CLIC** is larger than the size of the raw data file (which is another reason to have as compact as possible the files). This is typically the case on the data reduction machines available at IIRAM. This reduces the I/O to reading the file once and writing a few calibrations, before producing large uv tables.

### 3.2 Index

The index containing the title of all the observations in an input file is read when the file is opened. Starting with the use of **CLASSIC**, and to allow files with a larger number of observations or records, the version 2 of files uses 8-bytes integers wherever needed. In addition, with version 2, observations do not have to start at the beginning of a record, so no space is left blank in the file. Table 1 describes the content of an observation title.

### 3.3 Observations

The observations themselves contain the data but also all the metadata associated with the observations. The observation is hence composed of an observation header and data.

#### 3.3.1 Observation Header

In the observation header, a number of sections can be stored. Table 2 displays the list of sections known to **CLIC** and whether they are present in hpb and IPB files.

#### 3.3.2 Data: dumps

At NOEMA, the correlator outputs a spectrum every second. Storing the spectra every second would result in an huge file. In practice one can average the spectrum to the limit that it does not produce unacceptable beam smearing. Depending on the desired field of view, observing

| Word    | Starting word | Length | type         | unit      | comment                      |
|---------|---------------|--------|--------------|-----------|------------------------------|
| bloc    | 1             | 2      | INTEGER*8    | [records] | record number of entry start |
| word    | 3             | 1      | INTEGER*4    | [4-bytes] | offset in words in record    |
| ver     | 4             | 1      | INTEGER*4    |           | version of the observation   |
| num     | 5             | 2      | INTEGER*8    |           | observation number           |
| sourc   | 7             | 3      | INTEGER*4(3) |           | source name                  |
| line    | 10            | 3      | INTEGER*4(3) |           | tuning name                  |
| teles   | 13            | 3      | INTEGER*4(3) |           | interferometer configuration |
| dobs    | 16            | 1      | INTEGER*4    | [days]    | classic date of observation  |
| dred    | 17            | 1      | INTEGER*4    | [days]    | classic date of reduction    |
| off1    | 18            | 1      | REAL*4       | [radian]  | lambda offset                |
| off2    | 19            | 1      | REAL*4       | [radian]  | beta offset                  |
| typec   | 20            | 1      | INTEGER*4    |           | type of coordinates          |
| kind    | 21            | 1      | INTEGER*4    |           | data kind                    |
| qual    | 22            | 1      | INTEGER*4    |           | data quality                 |
| scan    | 23            | 1      | INTEGER*4    |           | scan number                  |
| proc    | 24            | 1      | INTEGER*4    |           | procedure type               |
| itype   | 25            | 1      | INTEGER*4    |           | observation type             |
| houra   | 26            | 1      | REAL*4       | [radian]  | jour angle                   |
| project | 27            | 2      | INTEGER*4(2) |           | project name                 |
| bpc     | 29            | 1      | INTEGER*4    |           | baseline bandpass cal status |
| ic      | 30            | 1      | INTEGER*4    |           | instrumental cal status      |
| recei   | 31            | 1      | INTEGER*4    |           | receiver band number         |
| ut      | 32            | 1      | REAL*4       | [s]       | UT time                      |

Table 1: Version 2 of observation title.

frequency and interferometer configuration, the acceptable averaging time ranges from a few seconds to a few minutes. Two kind of averages are stored in the data. First, every second, a spectral average is produced for each spectral window, resulting in a data point every second. These are referred to as the continuum dumps. Then, for each integration time, two spectra are produced for each spectral window: one is the average of all the spectra obtained within the integration window, the second is the same, but the spectra are corrected for an atmospheric phase before integration. The correction is nowadays coming from the water vapor radiometers, but for some time, a correction using the 1mm receiver total power was also used. These constitutes the line data.

An observation is hence usually composed of  $n + 2$  dumps, where  $n$  is the integration time in seconds. The first  $n$  dumps contain only continuum data, the last two dumps contain both continuum and line data, for the uncorrected and phase-corrected spectra respectively.

### 3.3.3 The content of a dump

A dump contains a data header (called DAPS, Data Associated ParametersS, in `CLASS` ) and the data themselves. The data header is used to store metadata that vary on the second basis (in opposition to metadata stored in the observation header), such as the uv coordinates, wvr counts, cable phase, etc. It is important to note that the data flags are stored in the data header. The continuum data are then stored along the axis (*spectralwindow*, *sideband*, *baseline*). Optionally



| Name                     | Code | IPB | hpb |
|--------------------------|------|-----|-----|
| General                  | -2   | x   | x   |
| Position                 | -3   | x   | x   |
| Interferometer           | -21  | x   | x   |
| RF Frequency setup       | -22  | x   | x   |
| Continuum setup          | -23  | x   | x   |
| Line setup               | -24  | x   | x   |
| Scanning parameters      | -25  | x   | x   |
| Atmospheric parameters   | -26  | x   | x   |
| Antenna Passband Cal     | -27  |     | x   |
| Baseline Passband Cal    | -28  |     | (x) |
| Instrumental Cal.        | -29  |     | (x) |
| Data descriptor          | -30  | x   | x   |
| Antenna instrumental Cal | -31  |     | x   |
| Atmospheric monitoring   | -32  | x   | x   |
| Data modifiers           | -33  |     | x   |
| Raw data file            | -34  |     | x   |
| WVR parameters           | -35  | x   | x   |
| ALMA                     | -36  |     |     |
| Instrument monitoring    | -37  | x   | x   |

Table 2: CLIC sections, code and presence in hpb and IPB files.

(see above), line data are then stored along the axis (*channel, sideband, baseline*), with spectral windows all stitched together in the *channel* axis.

### 3.3.4 Scans

As can be seen, CLIC understands data dumps and observations. The concept of a scan is a collection of observations (possibly only one) that share an observing intent and have the same scan number. For example, a CALIBRATE COLD scan consists of three observations: one on the cold load, one on the hot load and one on the sky.

## 3.4 IPB file

At NOEMA, RDI produces IPB (which stands for Interféromètre du Plateau de Bure) files, one for each track. A track consists of observations of one scientific subproject and last a few hours (typically two to ten hours). The IPB file produced at NOEMA contain sections (-2,-3,-21,-22,-23,-24,-25,-26,-30,-32,-35,-37) and of course the raw data themselves. Following the online atmospheric calibration, data are on a temperature scale in  $T_a^*$  (i.e. the coupling factor considered in the atmospheric calibration is the forward efficiency). Contrary to single dish, one does not need to worry about the temperature scale as after amplitude calibration, the visibilities are in Jy. These files are stored in the NOEMA archive and can be accessed from IRAM computers using the `getproj` command.

### 3.5 hpb file

However, the calibration is not done directly on the IPB files, which, in principle, are never updated offline. Instead, **CLIC** normally works on header files, or hpb files. Before one starts the calibration, the observation headers from the IPB file are copied into the hpb file, and calibration sections are added in the header for later use. The default is to add only the antenna calibration sections, because the instrumental calibrations are usually done per antenna and the baseline sections are much bigger in size. However, one can also create an hpb file with baseline sections if needed (see also table 2).

Besides the calibration sections, designed to store the amplitude/phase gain solutions as a function of time or frequency, two sections are mandatory in the hpb file: the data file section and the data modifier section. The data file section contains the name of the IPB file from which the data were copied and the index number of that observation in the IPB file. The data modifier section contain parameters which modify the data after they are read from the IPB file. This allows to correct the data for e.g. new baselines measurements (see section 4.7 for more details) without modifying the IPB file. This section also contains a flags structure similar to the one in the IPB file. **CLIC** considers the logical .or. of the two flags structure when an hpb file is opened.

After the calibration is complete, one just needs to save the hpb file (and the uv table for analysis) and the IPB file can be deleted. If there is a new need to redo part of the calibration or produce new uv tables one just has to download again the IPB file. Note that any access to the data requires the IPB file to be present on the file system in any of the `IPB.DATA1:` to `IPB.DATA9` logical names containing directories.

### 3.6 Backward compatibility

NOEMA, previously Plateau de Bure Interferometer (PdBI), has seen continuous improvements since its start, with more than five generations of receivers and correlators along with the development of atmospheric phase correction techniques. Given the nature of the **CLIC** data file, this was associated with many, sometimes small, changes of the data format. **CLIC** is designed so that its latest version can read and process any version of the data format and map it in memory to the latest data format. Data of any date can hence be processed with the latest **CLIC** version. Note that writing the data is always done with the latest data format (except if one updates an observation, i.e. modify an existing .hpb file). In practice, the data format used the section length (stored in the file) to see whether there were extensions to a section. With the introduction of **CLASSIC**, a version number is stored with the observation.

## 4 Commands

In this section, I quickly introduce the commands, in a ordered way to illustrate the **CLIC** philosophy. For more complete information, the reader is directed to the commands **HELP** . The details of the data calibration strategy are referred to the pipeline documentation.

### 4.1 File

**CLIC** handles primarily two files:

- an input file
- an output file

In case the input file is an hpb file, a third file, the raw data file is also handled by **CLIC** , to be used when data are to be read.

#### 4.1.1 FILE

Command **FILE IN|OUT|BOTH** selects the file to be opened for input/output. These commands also read the input or output file index, and copy a subset of it in memory so that subsequent index searches can proceed even more efficiently. The logic is the same as **CLASS** . If the argument **BOTH** is used, the same file is opened for input and output. Internally, **CLIC** deals with two write mode for files: **NEW** and **UPDATE**. The logic is that if the input file and output file are different, the output file is in **NEW** mode, whereas if the same file is opened for input and output, the output file is in **UPDATE** mode.

The files opened for input and output are displayed with **SHOW FILE**.

#### 4.1.2 COPY

Command **COPY** will copy the observations in the current index (see section 4.2) to the output file. Either the observations header only or the full observation is copied according to command options. In the same vein, the baseline and antenna calibration sections can be included or not, as the bandpass calibration section(s). This choice is to be made at the time of **COPY**, since space has to be reserved for such sections which are updated later in the calibration process.

#### 4.1.3 NEW\_DATA

Command **NEW\_DATA** waits until new data is written to the input file, then builds a new current index with all the new data. Mainly useful at the observatory.

## 4.2 Index

In this section, I introduce the commands used to build and manipulate a current index. CLIC has a notion of three indexes: an input file index, an output file index and a current index. Practically all CLIC commands work on the current index. A notable exception is FIND that works on the input index for obvious reasons.

### 4.2.1 FIND

Command FIND will search the input file according to some selection criteria, either specified as command options or set with the SET command. The current index will be ordered according to the sorting criteria, set with SET SORT command. Some options allows the input file to be updated before the search or to append the results to a previous current index. FIND will update the SIC variables FOUND that gives the number of observations found and CX\_NUM[:], a list containing the observation numbers of the current index. These can be used in procedures, as is the case of the pipeline scripts.

### 4.2.2 LIST

Command LIST will list the content of the current index. LIST IN or LIST OUT list the content of the input or output index. Various options are available to list some specific information or with some formatting. Some options create SIC variables: /SOURCE, /PROJECT, /TELESCOPE and /OFFSET. These variables contain the number of respective items and their values (see the HELP).

### 4.2.3 IGNORE

Command IGNORE can be used to declare a list of observations to be ignored in FIND commands until a new FILE IN command has been typed.

### 4.2.4 DROP

Command DROP can be used to remove an observation from the current index.

### 4.3 Observation

In this section, I introduce the commands to access the observation. CLIC knows only one observation at a time, the current observation. The other observations already read are kept in memory so subsequent calls do not have to read again the corresponding records. The limit to that scheme is the amount of memory. In case, not enough memory is available to get an new observation, CLIC will remove the oldest observations in the cache until sufficient room is found.

#### 4.3.1 GET

The main command, if one wants to read an observation is **GET**. One can either get a specific observation in the current header by providing its observation number (number in the left column of a **LIST** output), or go sequentially through the current index with **GET NEXT**. This will read the data and update the current observation.

#### 4.3.2 HEADER

Command **HEADER** displays in the terminal the content of the observation header in a short format. Useful options are **/PLOT** which will produce a plot of the spectral setup similar to what is done in **ASTRO** (see Fig. 3) and **/LIST** that will list the spectral windows.

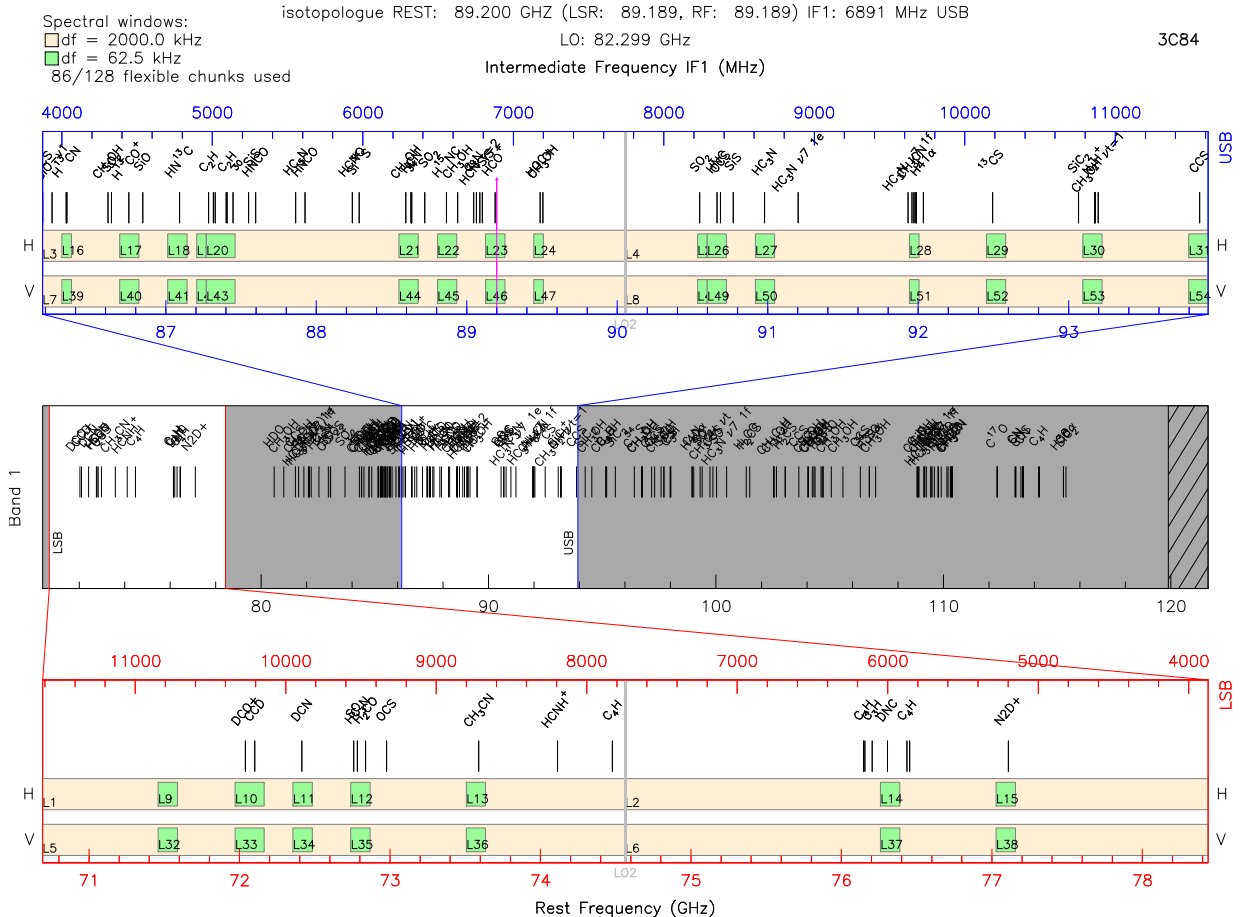


Figure 3: Spectral setup plot produced by **HEADER PLOT** command.

### **4.3.3 VARIABLE**

Command **VARIABLE** creates various **SIC** variables mapping the observation and data headers (see corresponding **HELP** for more details). This allows use in procedures and also to modify some value in the header or data file with the **MODIFY** command. Be very cautious in doing so, because some parameters have to be modified consistently.

## 4.4 Plotting

This section describes one of the basic functionality of **CLIC**, its plotting capability, which is a 2 dimensional plot (abscissa and ordinate).

### 4.4.1 Plot selection

Plotting in **CLIC** is mainly controlled by two criteria:

- **SET X** and **SET Y**, this allows you to choose whose quantity to plot. Several X or Y may be set.
- data selection. The selected data is the intersection of the data meeting 3 selection criteria:
  - antenna or baseline,
  - sideband
  - any of the baseband, IF, spectral window or polarisation criteria.

The plot can be either a time or spectral plot, i.e. X data have to be only spectral-like or time-like quantities. The user can provide limits with **/LIMIT** option. Code **"\*** and **"=** may be used. The former means that the limits are automatically adjusted to the data separately in each box, **"=** means that common limits to all boxes are computed.

### 4.4.2 Data selection

**CLIC** will draw one box for each x,y,antenna (or baseline), sideband, baseband or IF or spectral window or polarisation. Each criteria can be used to define a group or many groups of a value. For example **SET BBAND 1 TO 2** will create one baseband group containing basebands 1 and 2. **SET BBAND 1 2 TO 4 5 AND 6 AND 8** will create 3 basebands groups containing baseband 1, basebands 2, 3, and 4, and basebands 5, 6 and 8. A box will be created for each antenna or baseline, sideband and each of the 3 groups.

**SET ANTENNA** or **SET BASELINE** may be used to specify whether to plot per antenna or per baseline and can be used to plot only a subset of what is in the file. The corresponding antenna or baseline is shown in the left box header of the box (red rectangle number 1 in Fig. 4)

**SET SIDEBAND** is used to control which sidebands to plot. The corresponding sideband is shown in the right header of the box (red rectangle number 3 in Fig. 4).

**SET BBAND**, **IF**, **SPW**, **POL** are used to control how the data are selected. Selecting according to any of these criteria will also select the corresponding control parameter. For example **SET BB 1** will automatically select the corresponding IF, spectral windows and polarisation. The corresponding value is shown in the central header of the box (red rectangle number 2 in Fig. 4).

Both metadata and data can be plotted. The metadata may have a physical origin at a specific point in the signal transport or the hardware, hence have a natural dependency on baseband, IF, or spectral window, so will be selected according to that criteria, and averaged if the group has more than one value.

For data, there are both "continuum" and "line" data in the IPB files (see section 3.3.2). Depending on how the spectral windows are selected, continuum (**SET SPW C1**) or line (**SET SPW L1**) will be used. In case the line data are used, the selection of the phase-corrected spectral dump or uncorrected spectral dump (both are stored in the IPB file) is done according to the **SET PHASE ATM|NOATM** selection. The actual use of phase-corrected data is also conditioned by the validity of the phase correction, which is normally checked on the nearest calibrator. For the phase-corrected to be selected on a baseline requires a valid correction for both antennas.

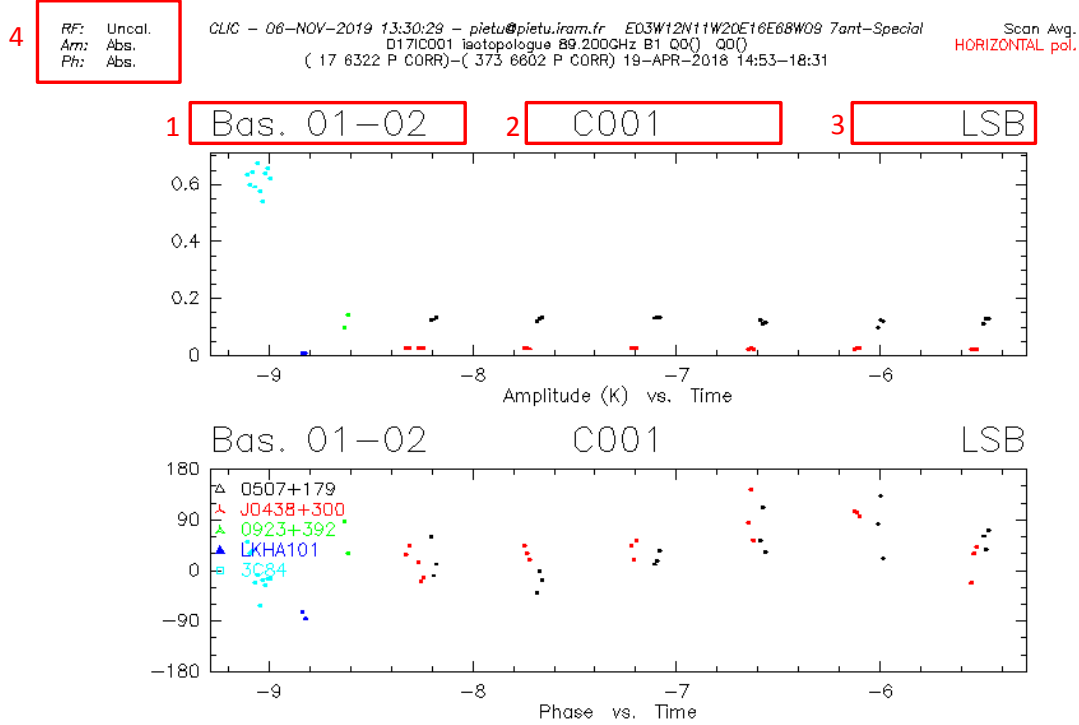


Figure 4: Example of CLIC plot. The red rectangles are not part of the original plot and were added to ease identification.

#### 4.4.3 Averaging

The data are averaged in time according to the **SET AVERAGING** command. It is possible to average by scan or time. In addition, this command also controls if the data are averaged as complex numbers (**VECTOR**) or if amplitude and phase are averaged separately (**SCALAR**). Be cautious about the amplitude bias especially in spectral plots where the much lower bandwidth of channels can bring the signal to noise to low values even on calibrators (see section 2.4.2 and 2.4.3).

In addition to and after the time averaging, the data in the plot may be averaged in bins of the x coordinates with the command **SET BINNING**. It is useful to average data in spectral mode. Any **SET X** command resets the binning.

#### 4.4.4 Calibration

Calibration may be applied on the fly before plotting. This is controlled by the following commands (see respective help for more information):

- **SET PHASE RELATIVE|ABSOLUTE**
- **SET AMPLITUDE RELATIVE|ABSOLUTE**: see also Table 3



| <i>Unit \ Mode</i> | ABSOLUTE           | RELATIVE                     | SCALED |
|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|--------|
| KELVIN             | 1                  | $A_{ij}(t)$                  | $1/S$  |
| JANSKY             | $\sqrt{J_i * J_j}$ | $A_{ij}(t)/\sqrt{J_i * J_j}$ | $1/S$  |

Table 3: Scaling of amplitude depending on unit/mode.  $J_i$  is the antenna efficiency in (Jy/K),  $A_{ij}$  is the amplitude calibration factor (in K/Jy) and  $S$  the source flux (in Jy)

- SET RF ON|OFF

The control parameters for calibration are displayed in the left header of the plot (red rectangle number 4 in Fig. 4). Each calibration solution can be antenna or baseline based (provided a solution was computed and stored beforehand, see section 4.5 and 4.6).

#### 4.4.5 PLOT

The plot itself is done with command **PLOT**. Many options are available and the reader is invited to refer to the **HELP** for more details. One handy option is the **/BOX nx ny** that tells **CLIC** to use nx times ny boxes. One can provide code **"\*"** for one of the arguments so that only the number of rows or columns is set.

Another interesting feature of plot is that the content of the plot buffer is available in **SIC** variables: **X\_DATA**, **Y\_DATA** and **W\_DATA** containing respectively the X values, the Y values and the weights associated to each data point. These values can be used in procedures to do your own computations.

Two options further enrich the possibilities:

- **PLOT /NODRAW** will only update the plot buffers but will not produce a plot
- **PLOT /SAME** will not read data but use the plot buffers to do a plot

Hence one can modify the content of the plot buffers before plotting them.

Another useful option is **/NOFRAME**, that allow to not reset the plot before doing it, which in effect allows to overplot some another set of data on top of a previous plot (with another color if wanted).

#### 4.4.6 CURSOR

Command **CURSOR** calls an interactive cursor, mainly aimed at pinpointing data points and measuring their coordinates. It can also be used for editing although this is not the recommended way of editing data. See corresponding **HELP** .

#### 4.4.7 BLANK

Command **BLANK** can be used to blank some channels in a given spectral window. Corresponding data will not be displayed (**Y\_DATA** value equal to the blanking value, **W\_DATA** equal to 0).

#### 4.4.8 Flags

## 4.5 Solving

In this section, I describe or shortly introduce the SOLVE engines that are available in CLIC . I start with the command used in any pipeline reduction, then introduce the commands used for real-time observations or observatory measurements.

### 4.5.1 SOLVE RF

Command SOLVE RF will solve for the spectral variation of the gain. As for the temporal variations, one can either solve for the baseline gain  $B_{ijk}$ , or the antenna gains,  $b_{ik}$ , with  $B_{ijk} = b_{ik}b_{jk}^*$  according to the mode selected with SET RF ANTENNA|BASELINE.

To get sufficient signal to noise in each channel, specific observations of a bright source are normally carried out in each project. There are basically two modes for solving RF bandpass. One can either fit a Chebishev polynomial to the data (low signal to noise ratio) or use the data (or a smoothed version of the data) as the RF solution. In the latter case, the actual solution is linearly interpolated between data points. The mode used is controlled by the command SET RF FREQUENCY|SPECTRUM.

RF bandpass calibration is done baseband per baseband (see section 2.1). It is hence necessary to select a proper baseband with SET BBAND command before solving for the RF. The solution is computed in an intermediate frequency space adapted to each generation of signal transport, selected with SET X I.F.

### 4.5.2 SOLVE FLUX

Command SOLVE FLUX is used to derive the flux of the phase calibrators from a known reference (remember quasar fluxes are variable in time). At NOEMA we have two main flux references: MWC349 and LkH $\alpha$ 101. Anyhow, the command is generic, as long as the flux of one of the sources is provided.

Visibilities are expressed on an antenna basis and an antenna efficiency is computed for each antenna by dividing the flux of the reference by the observed antenna temperature. Then a selection of the best antennas (i.e. the ones with the best efficiencies) are used to compute the fluxes of the other sources in the current index using the antenna efficiencies.

This of course will only work if the actual antenna efficiencies are constant in the considered time range (either being good the whole time or, which is more difficult to ensure, being equally bad on all sources).

### 4.5.3 SOLVE AMP PHASE

Commands SOLVE AMPLITUDE and SOLVE PHASE are used to derive the temporal variation of the gain through its amplitude and phase separately. One can either solve for the baseline gains  $G_{ij}(t)$  or the antenna gains  $g_i(t)$  (with  $G_{ij}(t) = g_i(t)g_j^*(t)$ ) according to the mode selected with SET AMPLITUDE ANTENNA|BASELINE.

In antenna mode, the averaged phase and amplitude closures and their standard deviation are computed, that allows to check for baseline-based errors, mostly in the form of amplitude decorrelation. The solutions are found by fitting directly the baseline-based quantities with the appropriate antenna-based combination (product of amplitudes, difference of phases).

Amplitude is mainly affected by variations of the antenna gain (pointing errors, defocussing,

thermal and/or gravitational deformations), receiver gain and variation in the atmospheric absorption not accounted for in the atmospheric calibration (see sec. 4.8.1) in addition to decorrelation due to phase noise. For amplitude calibration, one should use `SET AMPLITUDE SCALED` prior to the `SOLVE` command so that the amplitude, which is on a temperature scale, is divided by the source flux. If the flux calibration is correct, the different sources should have the same values in K/Jy, which is actually the inverse of the antenna efficiency.

```
RF:   Uncal.      CLIC - 07-NOV-2019 14:06:07 - pietu@pietu.iram.fr  E03W12N11N29W20E16N20W09 9C-E10      Scan Avg.
Am:   Scaled      D17IC001 isotopologue 89.200GHz B1 Q0()  Q0()      HORIZONTAL pol.
Ph:   Abs.        ( 21 4716 P CORR)-( 352 4985 P CORR) 18-APR-2018 15:39-18:55
```

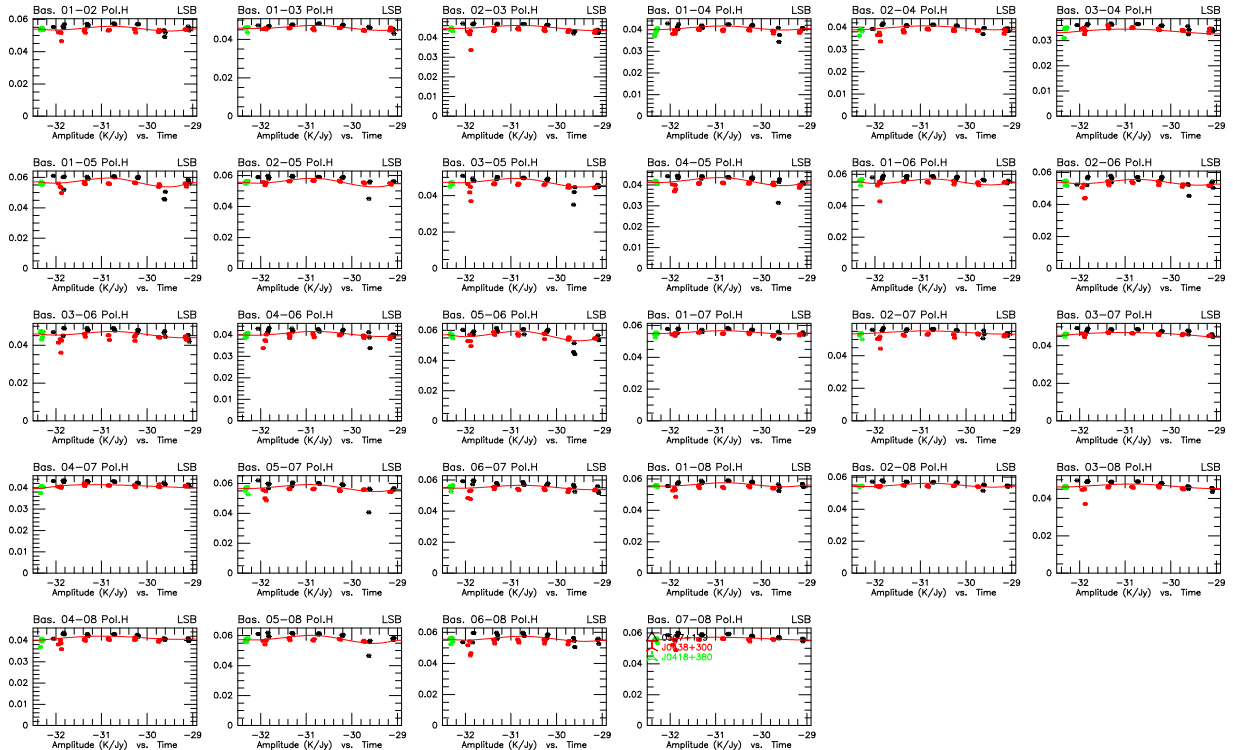


Figure 5: Example of `SOLVE AMPLITUDE /PLOT`.

Phase is affected by delay errors, in the form of baselines or time errors, atmospheric delays or drift in the receiver delay or phase (local oscillators). For the phase in particular, the atmospheric fluctuations introduce changes on a timescale that is usually smaller than the calibration period used for NOEMA. In order not to alias this fast varying component in the calibration, which would increase the final phase noise, it is important to keep in mind that the solution does not need to pass through the data points.

Two mathematical functions can be fitted to the data: cubic splines (the knots spacing is controlled by the `SET STEP` command), which the default, or polynomials through the `/POLYNOM` degree option. It is possible to introduce breaks in the function or its derivatives with the `/BREAK` option.

Amplitude and phase calibration is done per IF (see section 2.1) by the combination of `SET POLARISATION` and `SET BAND` commands. In case of a polarized calibrator, the measured amplitude is:

$$\widetilde{A}_{ij} = a_i a_j (I + Q \cos(2\chi) + U \sin(2\chi)) \quad (20)$$

RF: Uncal. CLIC - 07-NOV-2019 14:04:27 - pietu@pietu.iram.fr E03W12N11N29W20E16N20W09 9C-E10 Scan Avg.  
 Am: Abs. D17IC001 isotopologue 89.200GHz B1 Q0() Q0() HORIZONTAL pol.  
 Ph: Abs. ( 21 4716 P CORR)-( 352 4985 P CORR) 18-APR-2018 15:39-18:55

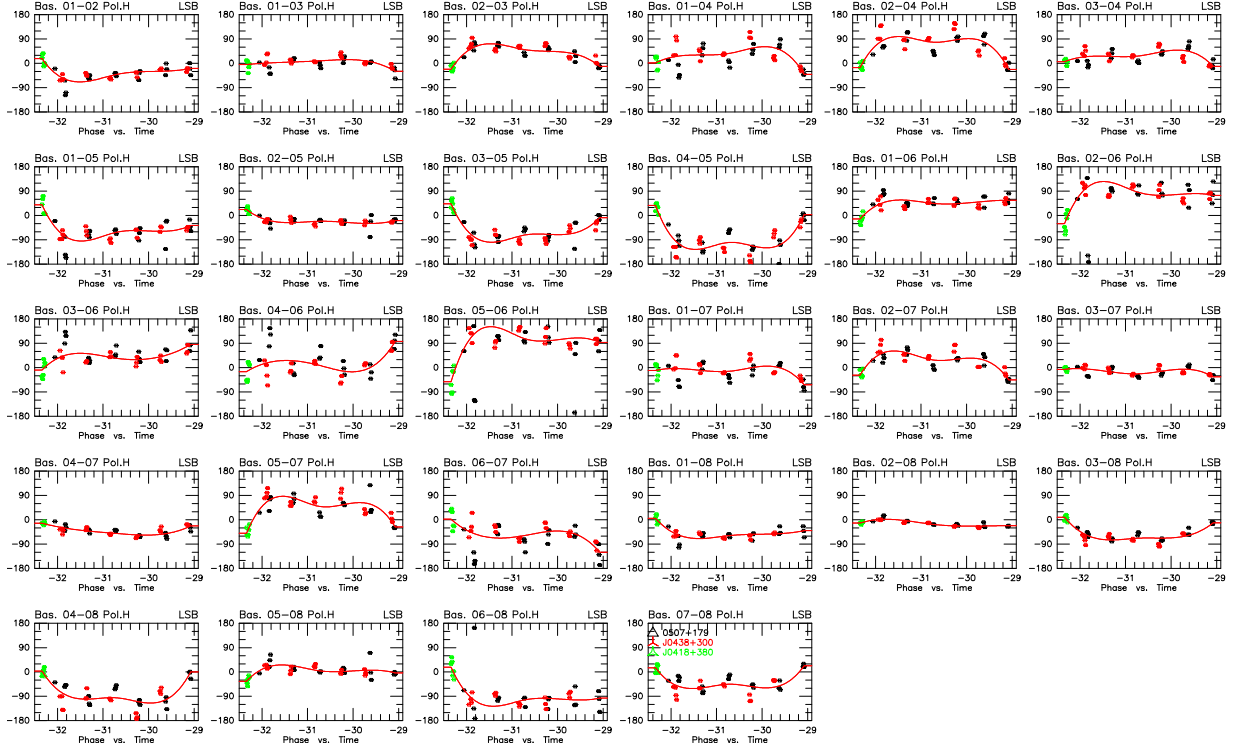


Figure 6: Example of SOLVE PHASE /PLOT.

where  $\chi$  is the parallactic angle and  $I, Q, U, V$  are the Stokes parameters. The (implicit) assumption of constant flux density for the calibrator breaks down if the linear polarisation fraction  $P = \frac{\sqrt{Q^2+U^2}}{I}$  is more a few percents. In that case, one should use the average of both polarisation to perform the amplitude calibration (SET POLARISATION BOTH).

#### 4.5.4 SOLVE DELAY

Command SOLVE DELAY is used mainly at the observatory. After plotting the phase of a calibrator as a function of IF1 frequency, one fits a residual delay  $\Delta\tau$  to the data, following:

$$\phi = \pm 2\pi\Delta\tau\nu_{IF1} \quad (21)$$

The  $\pm$  sign depend on the sign of the baseband conversion (LSB or USB). It is recommended to use an antenna-like plot to get better signal to noise.

#### 4.5.5 SOLVE GAIN

Command SOLVE GAIN is used mainly at the observatory. With Walsh  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  switching on the LO1 and demodulation in the backend, the sidebands which are superposed after the LO1 conversion can be separated. This allows the receiver sideband rejection,  $g_{im}$ , to be measured by computing

the ratio of the image sideband over the signal sideband amplitudes. This is done on the uncalibrated data by dividing each sideband by its  $T_{sys}$  and correcting for the possible difference in atmospheric opacity between the sidebands.

This command also derives the mean baseband phases that are fed back to the system so that further online averages do not suffer decorrelation.

#### 4.5.6 SOLVE POINT

Command **SOLVE POINT** is used to reduce pointing scans by fitting a gaussian to the antenna-based visibilities. For that reason, it only works if three antennas or more are present. Else, one antenna has to be fixed, and the baseline visibility is fitted.

#### 4.5.7 SOLVE TOTAL

Command **SOLVE TOTAL** and **SOLVE POINTING /TOTAL** are used to reduce pointing scans by fitting a gaussian to the total power. This requires a strong source.

#### 4.5.8 SOLVE FIVE

Command **SOLVE FIVE** is used to reduce a special pointing pattern where five points in the shape of a cross are observed and a 2D gaussian fitting is done.

#### 4.5.9 SOLVE FOCUS

Command **SOLVE FOCUS** will reduce focusing scans by fitting a gaussian to the offset along the focus in the Z-axis (along the optical axis).

#### 4.5.10 SOLVE SKYDIP

Skydips are special scans where the antenna is moved in elevation at a fixed azimuth. For each elevation (regularly spaced in airmass), total power from the sky,  $P_{sky}$ , and the hot load,  $P_{hot}$ , are recorded. Since one knows the effective temperature of the hot load,  $T_{hot}$ , one can derive either the receiver temperature,  $T_{rec}$ , or the forward efficiency  $\eta_f$ , via:

$$(T_{hot} + T_{rec}) \times \frac{P_{sky}}{P_{hot}} - T_{rec} = \eta_f \times Airmass \times \tau_{zenith} + (1 - \eta_f) \times T_{ground} \quad (22)$$

#### 4.5.11 SOLVE BASE ; RESIDUAL BASE

The geometrical delay is computed through:

$$\tau_g = \frac{\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{s}}{c} \quad (23)$$

where  $\mathbf{b} = (X_{ij}, Y_{ij}, Z_{ij})$  and  $\mathbf{s} = (\cos h \cos \delta, -\sin h \cos \delta, \sin \delta)$  are the baseline and source vectors respectively in a referential .

The resulting phase is:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{ijk} &= 2\pi\tau_g\nu_{RF} \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{s} \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_k} (X_{ij} \cos h \cos \delta - Y_{ij} \sin h \cos \delta + Z_{ij} \sin \delta) \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

Using sources with known position distributed in hour angle and declination, a least square fit to the observed phases gives is used to derive the antenna position errors.

An additional term can be fitted corresponding to the offset between the azimuth and elevation axis of each antenna. It has a  $\cos(El)$  dependance (in that case, data must be plotted as a function of elevation also in addition to the hour angle and declination of the "normal" baseline measurements).

Command **RESIDUAL** baseline will plot the residual phases resulting from the last **SOLVE BASELINE** command.

#### 4.5.12 SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY

Holography is powerful way of characterizing an antenna. It builds on the fact that there exists a Fourier transform relationship between the far-field antenna beam (including its amplitude and phase) and the (complex) aperture field distribution. A modified Fourier relationship can be derived in the near-field case (far field is  $> 2d^2/\lambda$ , or 130km for a 15-m antenna at a wavelength of 3.4mm). The interested readers will find in Baars et al. 2007 a lot more of details. **CLIC** can handle both near-field (Fresnel) and far-field (Fraunhofer) measurements.

In essence, a source is scanned with one or more antennas while one or more antennas are pointing at the source. The data are gridded and Fast Fourier Transformed to an aperture plane. The aperture plane is then analyzed in terms of amplitude and phase (left and right plots in Fig. 7)

The amplitude map is normalized and transformed in decibels (dB), so that it peaks at 0dB. In radio-astronomy, the aperture is often tapered to reduce the beam sidelobes. **CLIC** does a fit of this illumination with a 2-d gaussian (2-d parabola in the dB maps) to measure the actual taper and center of illumination. The values are given in the first line of the header.

The phase map is more interesting in that it gives the deviations w.r.t. a perfect surface and can be used to derive corrections to be applied to the individual panels of the parabola. The advantage is also that it can be measured, and panel corrections derived, at any antenna elevation.

A least squares fit to the phase map of the following terms is performed, where  $(\xi, \eta)$  are aperture coordinates,  $r = \sqrt{\xi^2 + \eta^2}$  is the radius coordinate from the center of the aperture,  $f$  is

```

30-sep-2019-holo-r1
RF: Fr.(B) CLIC - 19-NOV-2019 10:01:36 - pietu@pietu.iram.fr - Ant 10 - N05N13W12W09E10E04W05N02N09
Am: Rel.(B) 3C454.3 9D scans 6011 to 6085 30-SEP-2019 23:23UT El: 56.00
Ph: Rel.(B)
rms Pha. Edge taper = 19.05x 16.49 dB - offset X= -0.39 Y= -0.13 m
01-09 4.82 Focus offsets (X,Y,Z) = -0.71 -1.40 0.12 mm; Astigmatism = 20.4 μm ( 52.0deg.)
02-09 3.75 Phase rms (unweighted)= 0.101 (weighted)= 0.097 radians
03-09 14.35 Surface rms (unweighted)= 33.63 - (weighted)= 31.09 μm
04-09 13.36 ηA( 82.000 GHz) = 0.737; ηA(230.0 GHz) = 0.692; ηA(345.0 GHz) = 0.632
05-09 10.87 S/T( 82.000 GHz)= 21.179 Jy/K; S/T(230GHz)= 22.573 Jy/K; S/T(345 GHz)= 24.720 Jy/K
06-09 10.26 ηl=0.744 -ηs=0.862 -ηp( 82.000 GHz)=0.991 -ηp(230 GHz)=0.930 -ηp(345 GHz)=0.849
07-09 11.02 Rms/ring: 27.6 29.3 26.5 33.4 31.0 37.8
08-09 8.17

```

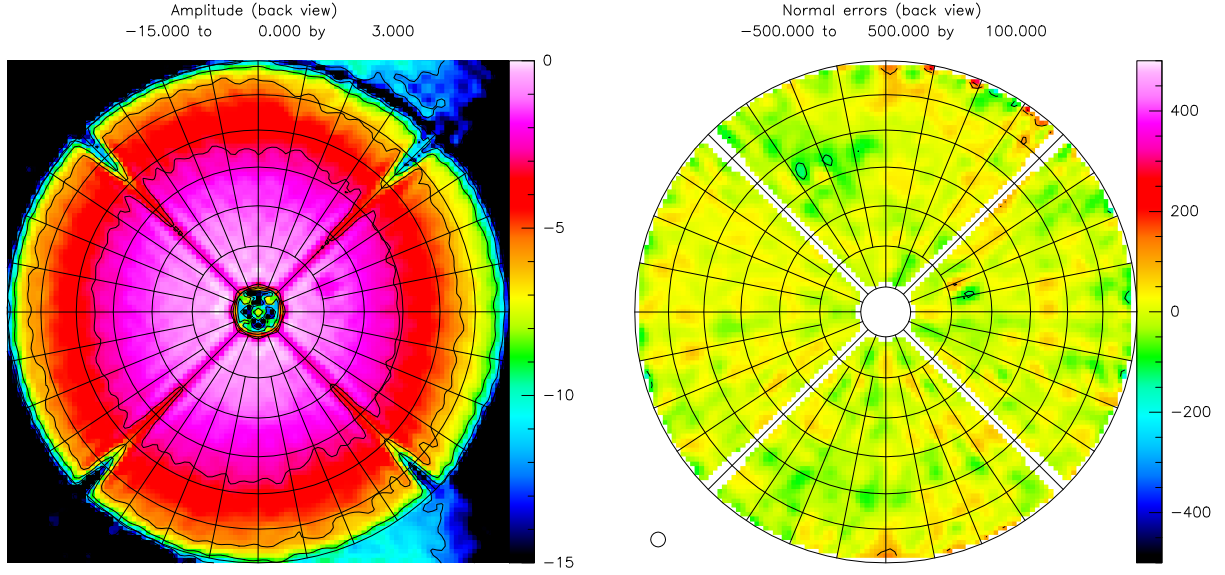


Figure 7: Example of SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY.

the focal length of the antenna:

$$\phi_1(\xi, \eta) = a \quad (25)$$

$$\phi_2(\xi, \eta) = b\xi \quad (26)$$

$$\phi_3(\xi, \eta) = c\eta \quad (27)$$

$$\phi_4(\xi, \eta) = \delta z \left( 1 - \frac{1 - \frac{r^2}{4f^2}}{\sqrt{\frac{r^2}{f^2} + \left(1 - \frac{r^2}{4f^2}\right)^2}} \right) \quad (28)$$

$$\phi_5(\xi, \eta) = \delta x \frac{\xi}{f} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{r^2}{f^2} + \left(1 - \frac{r^2}{4f^2}\right)^2}} \right) \quad (29)$$

$$\phi_6(\xi, \eta) = \delta y \frac{\eta}{f} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{r^2}{f^2} + \left(1 - \frac{r^2}{4f^2}\right)^2}} \right) \quad (30)$$

$$\phi_7(\xi, \eta) = a_+ \frac{\xi^2 - \eta^2}{2f^2} \quad (31)$$

$$\phi_8(\xi, \eta) = a_{\times} \frac{2\xi\eta}{2f^2} \quad (32)$$

$$(33)$$

$a$  is a constant phase offset,  $b$  and  $c$  account for pointing offset that would be constant during the observations,  $\delta x$ ,  $\delta y$  and  $\delta z$  correspond to focus offsets in the x (horizontal), y (vertical) or z (along optical axis) directions.  $a_+$  and  $a_\times$  are the antenna astigmatism along the horizontal or vertical axis,  $a_\times$  along directions rotated by  $45^\circ$ . The corresponding astigmatism angle  $\psi_a$  is:

$$\psi_a = \frac{\arctan(a_\times, a_+)}{2} \quad (34)$$

In addition, holographies provide an estimate of the actual antenna surface, one can compute the aperture and illumination efficiencies  $\eta_A$  and  $\eta_I$ :

$$\eta_A = \frac{|\int_A A(\xi, \eta) \exp(i\phi(\xi, \eta)) d\xi d\eta|^2}{\pi r^2 \int_A A(\xi, \eta)^2 d\xi d\eta} \quad (35)$$

$$\eta_I = \frac{|\int_A A(\xi, \eta) d\xi d\eta|^2}{\pi r^2 \int_A A(\xi, \eta)^2 d\xi d\eta} \quad (36)$$

and the antenna efficiency:

$$J = \frac{2k}{\eta_A \pi r^2} \quad (37)$$

One can also fit panel displacements. According to the panel mode selected, translation only, tilt in both radial and tangential directions, torsion mode and a fit of the inner fifth support point can be fitted.

Finally, one can produce either a phase map or a surface error map. The latter is linked to the former through:

$$\delta p = \delta \phi \times \frac{\lambda}{4\pi} \times \sqrt{1 + \frac{r^2}{4f^2}} \quad (38)$$

The term to the right corresponds to the projection factor between the incident or reflected ray and the normal to the surface.



## 4.6 Storing

In this section, I describe the command **STORE** which is used to store various parameters in the header file. These commands are relatively straightforward to use, but there are a few technicalities. Remember that all **STORE** commands are working on the current index, so be sure it includes the target observations before storing calibrations.

### 4.6.1 Correction

As explained in section 3.3.2, there are usually two spectra per observation: one which is the simple average of all the dumps within the observations, one for which each individual spectra is corrected by a phase  $\phi_j - \phi_i$ , where  $\phi_i$  is the correction for atmospheric phase derived from the Water Vapor Radiometer (WVR) for antenna  $i$ , prior to the averaging. For older data (before 2006), the 1mm total power data have also been used to monitor atmospheric phases (see **HELP MONITOR**).

**STORE CORRECTION** can be used to store in the observation header whether the atmospheric phase correction is valid or not. Besides the **GOOD** or **BAD** keywords, keyword **AUTO** is the one that is recommended to be used. It will compare the amplitude of the phase corrected or uncorrected data (with a bias toward uncorrected data) on calibrators, and then automatically decide which should be used for the science scans according to the closest in time phase calibrator correction validity.

### 4.6.2 Bandpass

As explained in section 4.5.1, there are two ways to perform a bandpass calibration, a polynomial fit to the calibrator's data or a direct use of the calibrator's data. Accordingly, there are two ways to store an RF bandpass solution in a hpb file.

The historic way is to store the polynomial coefficients in a dedicated section of the hpb file. Because of the way files are handled in **CLIC** (see section 3), this is only possible if room for the appropriate section (-27 or -28, see Table 2) was reserved at the time of the hpb creation.

When the data or a smoothed version of it is used, one has to use another solution, which is to store the full bandpass solution (interpolated for all data points, including the high spectral resolution spectral windows if there are any). This is done through option **STORE RF /SCAN**. This solution can also be used to store a bandpass solution obtained through polynomial fitting. The advantage of that solution is that it can be useful to create an hpb file without the bandpass calibration section(s), which is much smaller in size.

### 4.6.3 Flux and spectral index

Command **STORE FLUX** will store the fluxes determined by the last **SOLVE FLUX** command in the file, which is a prerequisite of the amplitude calibration. Spectral index is for now stored with command **MODIFY SPIDX** so it has to work on an source per source index iteratively.

### 4.6.4 Amplitude and phase

This is a straightforward operation that will copy the cubic spline or polynomial coefficients from each IF from memory to the relevant calibration section (-29 or -31, see Table 2) of the hpb file (provided it was initialized at hpb creation). One can override this default by forcing it to use a given sideband or polarisation (or average of sidebands or polarisations) to calibrate both polars/sidebands.

#### 4.6.5 Quality

`STORE QUALITY` can be used to store a quality in an observation. In practice, this functionality is seldomly used except for a `STORE QUALITY 9`, which will prevent further `FIND` command to find this observation.

#### 4.6.6 Flag

`STORE FLAG` is the command to be used if one wants to flag data. Many keywords are available and flags can be stored for antennas or baselines. Two basic kinds of flag exist: the spectral flags, which will flag individual spectral windows and the non-spectral flags, that flag all of the data.

Flags are available at the dump level in the IPB, as they are recorded on the second basis by the online system. In the hpb file, they are stored in the data modified section, and only one value per observation is kept. In the case when one uses an hpb file, the actual flag will be a logical `.or.` of the IPB and hpb flags.

An option exists to store the flags only in memory if they are to be reset after some operation, as it is much more efficient. Command `MASK` allows to mask a given flag, while command `MARK` can be used to set a given flag (for all observations, contrary to the `STORE FLAG /MEMORY` option that works on the current index).

## 4.7 Modify

The **MODIFY** command is used to modify the data or metadata. The behaviour is not exactly the same for IPB and hpb files. For IPB files, the data are modified. For hpb files, data modifiers are stored in the relevant section of the header and applied on the fly when the data are read from the IPB file.

### 4.7.1 Geometry

The geometric delay is computed in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned}\tau_g &= \frac{\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{s}}{c} \\ &= \frac{1}{c} (X_{ij} \cos h \cos \delta - Y_{ij} \sin h \cos \delta + Z_{ij} \sin \delta)\end{aligned}\quad (39)$$

This geometric delay is computed in real-time and applied in the correlator and on the LO for fringe tracking. However, it may be the case (and is quite usual) that after the observation, a better baseline model was determined. Another more unusual case would be new coordinates were determined for an observed source or that the time reference used at the observatory was offset w.r.t. UT1 time. All these can be corrected after the observations and the phases recomputed with commands **MODIFY ANTENNA**, **MODIFY BASELINE**, **MODIFY POSITION** or **MODIFY TIME**. In all cases, equation 39 is used with the updated parameters provided by the user.

### 4.7.2 Phases

There are another set of commands that modify the phases but do not take their origin in the computation of the geometrical delay. A good example is the **MODIFY DELAY** command that will apply a new (constant) delay to the current index. Some more specific commands, for example **MODIFY CABLE**, will correct faulty cable phase correction.

### 4.7.3 Frequency and velocity scales

NOEMA operates with Doppler tracking. When the user provides a setup, with a given reference rest frequency,  $F_{rest}^{ref}$ , and a source velocity,  $v$ , within some referential (usually LSR referential) on one side and an IF frequency,  $F_{IF}^{ref}$ , at which the rest frequency should appear on the other side. The Doppler tracking consists in modifying the LO1 frequency so that the two frequencies stay aligned to within one tenth of the smallest channel spacing of the spectral setup being observed.

The rest,  $F_{rest}$ , and topocentric frequencies,  $F_{topo}$ , are related through:

$$F_{topo} = F_{rest} \left( 1 + \delta - \frac{v}{c} \right) \quad (40)$$

where  $\delta$  is the Doppler factor between the chosen referential and the topocentric referential, and  $v$  is the source systemic velocity within this referential.

Since  $F_{IF} = \pm(F_{topo} - F_{LO1})$  (+ for an USB conversion, - for a LSB conversion), we have:

$$F_{IF} = \pm \left( F_{rest} \left( 1 + \delta - \frac{v}{c} \right) - F_{LO1} \right) \quad (41)$$

so by setting

$$F_{LO1} = F_{rest}^{ref} \left( 1 + \delta - \frac{v}{c} \right) \mp F_{IF}^{ref} \quad (42)$$

| Parameter                | Freq | Frame | Notation         | SIC variable |
|--------------------------|------|-------|------------------|--------------|
| Reference rest frequency | RF   | Rest  | $F_{rest}^{ref}$ | FREQUENCY    |
| Sideband                 |      |       |                  | ISB          |
| Reference IF frequency   | IF   | Topo  | $F_{IF}^{ref}$   | FIF1         |
| LO1 frequency            |      | Topo  | $F_{LO1}$        | FLO1         |
| Source referential       |      |       |                  | TYPE_VEL     |
| Source velocity          |      | Ref.  | $v$              | VELOCITY     |
| Doppler factor           |      |       | $\delta$         | DOPPLER      |

Table 4: Parameters for receiver tuning. For the source referential TYPE\_VEL, 1 means LSR, 2 heliocentric, 3 geocentric, 4 no doppler tracking, 5 unknown.

| Parameter             | Freq | Frame | Notation          | SIC variable |
|-----------------------|------|-------|-------------------|--------------|
| Number of channels    |      |       | $n_{ch}$          | N_CHANNELS   |
| Channel number of (2) |      |       | $i_{IF}$          | REF_NUM      |
| Center frequency      | IF   | Topo  | $F_{IF}^0$        | LFCEN        |
| Reference channel     |      |       | $i_{ref}$         | REF_CHANNEL  |
| Rest frequency        | RF   | Rest  | $F_{rest}^0$      | F_OFFSET     |
| Frequency spacing     |      | Topo  | $\delta F_{rest}$ | LFRES        |
| Frequency spacing     |      | Rest  | $\delta F_{topo}$ | F_RESOLUTION |

Table 5: Parameters for spectral windows and corresponding SIC variables

we ensure the Doppler tracking as defined above.

The frequency value of channel  $k$  from spectral window  $j$  are defined as:

$$F_{IF}(j, k) = (k - i_{IF}(j)) * \delta F_{topo} + F_{IF}^0(j) \quad (43)$$

$$F_{rest}(j, k) = (k - i_{rest}(j)) * \delta F_{rest} + F_{rest}^0(j) \quad (44)$$

where  $\delta F_{topo}$  is the channel spacing of the backend in the topocentric frame and  $\delta F_{topo} = \delta F_{rest} (1 + \delta - \frac{v}{c})$

#### 4.7.4 Custom modifications

It is possible to modify any header or data header data using generic command `MODIFY HEADER`, `MODIFY DATA` and `MODIFY RECORD` that allow us to modify parameters of the observation header, spectral dumps or temporal dumps respectively.

Caution is to be exercised when using these commands as changes must be done coherently.

## 4.8 Atmosphere

Various commands relates to the atmosphere: the "atmospheric" calibration or chopper-wheel method, that is used to put the visibilities on a  $T_a^*$  scale (see 2.3.1), the water vapor radiometer (WVR) calibration that will derive atmospheric phase correction, and the total power phase correction that was used for the PdBI before the use of WVRs.

### 4.8.1 Atmosphere

**Measurements** Assume we have a system that measures the total power  $P$  received at the output terminal and that input power is measured in temperature scale  $T$  (see eq. 2) with an unknown gain ( $K_p$ ) i.e. we have:

$$P = K_p T \quad (45)$$

Similarly, let's assume that the autocorrelations are on a power scale with a gain  $K_c$ , different from  $K_p$ , but the same for auto- and cross- correlations (this point is checked with measurement on a noise source, which is fully correlated for different antennas, so that autocorrelations match the crosscorrelation amplitudes). Then we have:

$$\widetilde{A}_{ij} = K_p T_{ij} \quad (46)$$

where  $T_{ij}$  is the source power at the input port.

In using the chopper wheel method, we place loads with known effective temperature in front of the receiver. For NOEMA, one uses a hot load made of absorber which is at the temperature of the receiver cabin and a cold load located inside the cryostat on the 15K stage ; regular observations are made on the sky:

$$P_{hot} = K_p (T_{hot} + T_{rec}) \quad (47)$$

$$P_{cold} = K_p (T_{cold} + T_{rec}) \quad (48)$$

$$P_{sky} = K_p (T_{sky} + T_{spill} + T_{rec} + T_a) \quad (49)$$

$$C_{ii} = K_c (T_{sky} + T_{spill} + T_{rec} + T_a) \quad (50)$$

$$|C_{ij}| = K_c T_a \quad (51)$$

The difference between the cross-correlation amplitudes  $|C_{ij}|$  and the autocorrelations  $C_{ii}$  is that the "noise" (i.e.  $T_{sky} + T_{spill} + T_{rec}$ ) is uncorrelated between different antennas and vanishes from the cross-products.

**Receiver temperature** By combining eq. 47 and 48, we can derive the receiver temperature  $T_{rec}$ :

$$T_{rec} = \frac{P_{cold} T_{hot} - P_{hot} T_{cold}}{P_{hot} - P_{cold}} \quad (52)$$

or equivalently with the autocorrelations.

**System temperature** We start by deriving the sky temperature with:

$$T_{sky} = (T_{hot} + T_{rec}) \frac{P_{sky}}{P_{hot}} - T_{rec} - T_{spill} \quad (53)$$

Estimating  $T_{spill}$  requires knowledge of the forward efficiency  $\eta_f$ . It is also used to compute the sky emission  $T_{emi}$ :

$$T_{emi} = \frac{T_{sky}}{\eta_f} \quad (54)$$

The water vapor content variable of an atmospheric model predicting sky brightness ( $T_{emi,s}^{atm}$  and  $T_{emi,i}^{atm}$ ) and opacity ( $\tau_{atm,s}$  and  $\tau_{atm,i}$ ) in the signal and image sideband is then varied in order to minimize the following quantity:

$$T_{emi} - \frac{T_{emi,s}^{atm} + g_{im}T_{emi,i}^{atm}}{1 + g_{im}} \quad (55)$$

The system temperatures for the signal  $T_{sys,s}$  and image  $T_{sys,i}$  sidebands are then computed as follows:

$$T_{sys,s} = \frac{e^{\tau_s} (T_{hot} - T_{sky} - T_{spill}) (1 + g_{im})}{\eta_f} \frac{P_{sky}}{P_{hot} - P_{sky}} \quad (56)$$

$$T_{sys,i} = \frac{e^{\tau_i} (T_{hot} - T_{sky} - T_{spill}) (1 + \frac{1}{g_{im}})}{\eta_f} \frac{P_{sky}}{P_{hot} - P_{sky}} \quad (57)$$

where:

$$T_{sky} + T_{spill} = (1 - \eta_f) \left( \frac{T_{emi,s}^{atm} + g_{im}T_{emi,i}^{atm}}{1 + g_{im}} \right) + \eta_f T_{ground} \quad (58)$$

**Scaling of data** The visibilities  $C_{ijk}$  out of the correlator are normalized in the following way to get observed visibilities on a temperature scale  $T_{ijk}$ :

$$T_{ijk} = \frac{C_{ijk}}{\sqrt{C_{iik}C_{jjk}}} \sqrt{T_{sys}(i)T_{sys}(j)} \quad (59)$$

In the left side of the right term, cross-correlations are normalized to the total power measured in autocorrelations (and the dependency on  $K_c$  disappears), so that a rate of correlation is measured. The right side corresponds to a conversion to  $T_a^*$  scale by multiplication by the baseline effective system temperature.

**Command ATMOSPHERE** This atmospheric calibration is normally applied online by the RDI program. However in some cases, one may want to update the atmospheric calibration because of an online problem at the time of the observations (i.e. a bug, a wrong value for an input parameter). Command ATMOSPHERE allows us to do this and will process all of the scans in the current index.

#### 4.8.2 WVR

The water vapor radiometer operates around the water line at 22 GHz. By monitoring the amount of water vapor along the line of sight of each antenna, one can derive a corresponding atmospheric phase at the frequency of interest and correct the individual dumps from the correlator by this phase before averaging, hence mitigating atmospheric decorrelation (see also section 3.3.2).

This requires calibration of the data coming from the radiometer. A number of modes are available to derive the receiver gain,  $T_{cal}$ , and noise,  $T_{rec}$ , either from tabulated laboratory measurements or observations of loads of known brightness. The classical way of doing this for

NOEMA is to use  $T_{rec}$  derived from skydip measurements which are carried out regularly. The use of a hot load then allows us to derive the gain  $T_{cal}$ . With  $T_{rec}$  and  $T_{cal}$ , the sky antenna temperature,  $T_i$ , for the different channels can be computed.

The first generation of WVR used at NOEMA had 3 channels (centered at frequencies  $\nu_1$ ,  $\nu_2$  and  $\nu_3$ ), that were combined in a way that removed any  $\nu^2$  contribution (hence cloud emission):

$$T_{triple} = \frac{1 - \left(\frac{\nu_1}{\nu_2}\right)^2}{1 - \left(\frac{\nu_2}{\nu_3}\right)^2} \left( T_2 - T_3 \left(\frac{\nu_2}{\nu_3}\right)^2 \right) - \left( T_1 - T_2 \left(\frac{\nu_1}{\nu_2}\right)^2 \right) \quad (60)$$

As for the astronomical receiver calibration, the water vapor content of an atmospheric model is varied until a good match with the measured triple temperature is found. The derivative of the optical pathlength to the channel temperatures is then computed, in order that a scaling factor can be applied to the radiometer counts, so that their variation track atmospheric phases.

The offline version will do the same, but the spectral averaging was done online. So it is useful only to check calibration or do use an updated calibration for continuum records.

#### 4.8.3 Monitor

The first atmospheric phase correction scheme was based on the total power measured in the 1mm band (when dual-frequency observing was available). The calibration scans are processed similarly to the regular astronomical calibration (see section 4.8.1), then the derivative of the path length over the emission temperature of the atmosphere at the atmospheric monitoring frequency is computed.

It is possible to fit a straight line within a time  $\delta t$  to remove drift of non-atmospheric origin (such as receiver gain variations), before computing the corrections.

As for the WVR, this correction was applied online and can only be recomputed for the continuum units.

## 4.9 $(u, v)$ tables

The final goal of the calibration is to produce a set of calibrated visibilities that can be imaged or analysed in the  $(u, v)$  plane. In **GILDAS**, we write `.uvt` tables for that purpose. The `.uvt` file is a flavor of the more generic gildas data format (GDF).

### 4.9.1 GDF v1

The original GDF format contains visibilities consisting of:

- 7 data associated parameters, in a fixed order: `u`, `v`, `w`, `date`, `time`, `first antenna`, `second antenna`
- an array of complex visibility elements, that contain each a real part, an imaginary part and a weight

Note that in this original format, `u`, `v` and `w` are in meters, the `date` is a **CLASS** date, `time` is in seconds. The `w` column was often replaced by the scan number `scan` for flagging and editing purpose.

### 4.9.2 GDF v2

The original GDF data format had a number of limitations, including 32 bits addressing, which led to the development of a revised version, the so-called GDF v2.

GDF v2 addresses the previous limitations in size or number of elements and provides provisions for new modes, including:

- extra columns in  $(u, v)$  tables
- handling of polarization data
- an extra telescope section

The interested reader will find in "Preparing **GILDAS** for large datasets II - **GILDAS** Data Format Version 2" more details about GDF v2.

### 4.9.3 UVT versions

The analysis of  $(u, v)$  data needs to handle two frequency referentials: the topocentric frame that corresponds to the observed frequency and the source or rest frame. The former defines the angular resolution of the telescope, or the  $(u, v)$  coordinates that are expressed wavelength units, the latter is used for the identification of lines or in converting frequency shifts to velocity shifts. Both are linked through equation 40.

Historically (for GDF v1), the frequency axis was in the topocentric frame. The rest frequency was given separately. The spectral resolution did not distinguish between topocentric and source frame: it was only approximate

With GDF v2, UV table contains a UV Tables version stored in the table header. Version 2.0 corresponds to the historical GDF v1 implementation (see above). This version has both a lousy spectral axis definition and a lousy angular resolution. For narrow bands, it can still produce correct results, provided that the correct rest frequency is accounted for (option `/FREQUENCY` of command `TABLE`).



UV Table versions 2.1 and 2.2 provide a clear definition of the spectral axis: it is the rest frequency, in the source frame (at the source velocity in the selected system frame). The spectral resolution is in that same source frame. The doppler factor is provided to convert the source frame frequency to topocentric frame for computing the effective angular resolution from the  $u, v$  coordinates measured as a length in meters.

The difference between versions 2.1 and 2.2 is that in 2.1 the mean Doppler factor is provided where with version 2.2, a time dependent Doppler factor is stored as an extra column. Note that if the observatory section of the uv table is filled, the time dependent Doppler factors can be recomputed.

#### 4.9.4 Command **TABLE**

Command **TABLE** will produce a UV table. See corresponding help for more information. Two options are very frequently used: the **/FREQUENCY** option that is used to recompute the frequency and velocity scales for a new rest frequency (see also section 4.7.3). The second useful option is **/RESAMPLE** that is used to resample the data with less channels, another spectral resolution, etc. One has to take care to not oversample the data.

UV tables can be read/edited as **SIC** variables using the command **DEFINE UVTABLE** (see associated help for more details).

UV tables can also be exported in UVFITS format using the **VECTOR\FITS** command (see corresponding **HELP** ).

## 5 CLIC Language Internal Help

We give here a *fac simile* of the internal HELP file for CLIC. Please consult the internal help itself, which is normally kept up to date.

### 5.1 Language

#### CLIC\ Command Language Summary

##### Continuum and Line Interferometric Calibration

|            |                                                             |
|------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| ATMOSPHERE | : Perform atmospheric calibration.                          |
| BLANK      | : Blank some spectral channels                              |
| COMPRESS   | : Compress data.                                            |
| COPY       | : Copy data.                                                |
| CURSOR     | : Call the interactive graphic cursor.                      |
| DIRECTORY  | : List files matching a pattern into SIC variables.         |
| DROP       | : Take a scan out of the current index.                     |
| DUMP       | : List some informations on the R spectrum.                 |
| FILE       | : Define the input/output files.                            |
| FIND       | : Search the input file for observations.                   |
| FITS       | : Write out spectra in FITS format (e.g. for CLASS).        |
| FLAG       | : Flag data.                                                |
| FREE       | : Free internal virtual-memory buffers.                     |
| GET        | : Read a scan in the input file.                            |
| HEADER     | : Display some header information.                          |
| IGNORE     | : Ignore scans from the input file.                         |
| LIST       | : List header information about an ensemble of scans.       |
| MARK       | : Force data to be treated as if flagged.                   |
| MASK       | : Cause some flags to be ignored.                           |
| MINMAX     | : compute extremal amplitudes in data                       |
| MODIFY     | : Edit and change the scan header (and data).               |
| MONITOR    | : Process data for total power phase correction parameters. |
| NEW_DATA   | : Wait until new data present in input file.                |
| PLOT       | : Plot data according to display options.                   |
| POPUP      | : Pop-up a plot box and redraw it in a temporary window.    |
| PRINT      | : Produces an output text file (PRINT BASELINE).            |
| RESIDUALS  | : Plot residuals from last SOLVE operation.                 |
| SET        | : Enter a value for a parameter.                            |
| SG_TABLE   | : Create a UV data Table for mapping purposes.              |
| SHOW       | : Show current value for a parameter.                       |
| SOLVE      | : Solve for calibration functions.                          |
| STORE      | : Store calibration functions.                              |
| TABLE      | : Create a UV data Table for mapping purposes.              |
| TAG        | : Change the quality of scans in the output file.           |
| VARIABLES  | : Enable/disable CLIC variables                             |
| WVR        | : Process data for WVR phase correction parameters.         |

## 5.2 ATMOSPHERE

```
CLIC\ATMOSPHERE [DETECTOR|CORRELATOR] [/COMPRESS] [/RESET]
[/NOWRITE] [/NOMONITOR]
```

Recompute the atmospheric (transparency) calibration from the data and the informations provided by the SET ATMOSPHERE command. All scans in the current index are processed:

- Atmospheric calibration scans (CALI): compute calibration temperature Tcal, using either the total power DETECTORs or the continuum CORRELATOR to measure the atmospheric emission. Default is DETECTOR. The data on the atmospheric monitor (the 1.3 mm) receiver will also be used to compute the phase correction factors (see also the MONITOR command).
- Apply the new model to the subsequent observations and write (update) the recalibrated data if option /NOWRITE is not present. This is done until a new calibration is found.

[/COMPRESS] Obsolete option.

[/RESET] ALL|AUTO|CAL Reset integrations time associated to ALL phases, SKY phase, or HOT/COLD cal phases.

[/NOWRITE] Do not update data on disk.

[/NOMONITOR] Do not compute and update monitoring section.

## 5.3 BLANK

```
CLIC\BLANK c1 c2 /SPW i [/RESET] [/EXTRAPOLATE] [/NOEXTRAPOLATE]
[/ANTENNA a1 [...]]
```

Blank channels c1 to c2 in spectral window i (mandatory argument). With option /reset, it will reset all ranges blanked in spectral window i. Option /ANTENNA applies the blanking to selected antennas only; /ANTENNA ALL selects all antennas and is the default when /ANTENNA is omitted. Current list can be obtained with command SHOW BLANK.

Options [/EXTRAPOLATE] and [/NOEXTRAPOLATE] control CLIC behaviour regarding blanked data. They will be either interpolated or blanked accordingly.

## 5.4 COMPRESS

```
CLIC\COMPRESS timemax uvmax [/TRIANGLE]
```

Compress data in the current index by averaging successive records in individual scans. 'timemax' is the maximum averaging time in seconds. Data with baseline orientation differing by more 'uvmax' in meters in the UV plane are not averaged, as well as data flagged differently.

Defaults for timemax and uvmax are 60 seconds and 7.5 meters respectively. An output file must have been opened to receive the compressed data.

Use command COPY rather than COMPRESS to copy the whole current index to a new file.

For data taken after September 1992 (new correlator), the command will only compress the temporal data (data header and continuum subbands), since the spectral data is already compressed to 1 record per scan.

[/TRIANGLE] add triangles to data. Not tested.

## 5.5 COPY

CLIC\COPY HEADERS|[NO]DATA [[NO]BASE] [[NO]ANTENNA] [NORF] [/EXTRACT]

Copy the content of the current index to the output file. The first argument is mandatory and controls whether the data section is actually written in the output file or not.

COPY DATA selects the old mode, in which the data as well as the headers are copied in the output file.

COPY HEADERS selects the RECOMMENDED mode in which only the headers are copied in the output file. In this new so-called "header file", the data sections are not written but replaced by pointers to the original file. This way, the data file, originally written at Plateau de Bure, is later only used in a read-only mode. All further calibrations are stored in the (much smaller) header file. It is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED to use the extension ".hpb" for the new file containing the headers.

Example:

```
!
! Original file is "14-apr-1996-f081.ipb".
! Create a header file:
!
file in 14-apr-1996-f081.ipb
```

```

find
file out f081-b2.hpb new
copy headers
!
! Now open the f081-b2.hpb for input/output
!
file both f081-b2
find
solve phase /plot
store phase
!
! ... and so on as usual
!
```

When the header file is opened for input, CLIC will look for the data sections in the original (read-only) data file. The original data file may be kept locally or reside in any directory, which is pointed to by one of the logical names "IPB\_DATA:", "IPB\_DATA1:" to "IPB\_DATA9:". The original file name MUST BE UNCHANGED, apart from the extension.

Most commands are available in this mode, even commands that affect data amplitudes phases such as ATMOSPHERE, MODIFY BASELINE or MODIFY DELAY. The phase factors are kept in the headers and applied only when the data will be later read again.

There need not be a one to one correspondence between the original ".ipb" file contents and the ".hpb" header file. The header file may refer to only part of the scans in the .ipb file (e.g. omit the IFPB or POINT scans), and it may refer to several .ipb files (e.g. data from two consecutive days).

Arguments [NO]BASE and [NO]ANTENNA control whether respectively the baseline and antenna-based calibration sections are written in the header file. Antenna-based calibration is now the default and omitting the baseline-based sections saves a lot of space. Do not forget to use COPY HEADERS BASE if you foresee you will need baseline-based calibration.

Argument [NORF] can be used to tell that one wishes to skip the passband calibration sections regardless of the ANTENNA or BASE arguments. It is used in view of storing RF bandpass solution as an extra scan with the STORE RF /SCAN option.

Option [/EXTRACT USB|LSB] will extract only the selected sideband.

## 5.6 CURSOR

CLIC\CURSOR [mode]

Call the interactive cursor, if available on your graphic terminal. This enables you to measure point coordinates and perform some data editing on the result of a PLOT command.

After pressing any key, one of the data points is selected according to the argument 'mode'. In mode D the closest data point from the cursor is selected; in mode X (the default) the data point with closest X coordinate is selected; in mode Y the data point with closest Y coordinate is selected.

The following actions are possible:

- Press any key to get the coordinates of the selected point.
- Press 'H' to display some header information of the selected scan (as with LIST command).
- Press 'K' to delete the selected point from the current plot buffers (type PLOT SAME to replot the buffers). This may be very useful to remove corrupted points from the buffers e.g. before fitting calibration curves.
- Press 'N' to initiate a new range for Ignore, Tag, and Flag (see below). This works only with time-like plots, and is to be used preferably with coordinates that are monotonous functions of time (scan number, observation number, time, ...)
- Press 'I' to ignore all scans in the current range (initiated by 'N'). This is equivalent to typing the IGNORE command for the same scans.
- Press 'T' to tag all scans in the current range (initiated by 'N'). This is equivalent to typing the TAG command for the same scans. You will be prompted for a quality code in the range 0 to 9 (see TAG command). The quality codes are stored in the output file, which must be equal to the input file.
- Press 'F' to flag all records in the current range (initiated by 'N'). You will be prompted for a list of flags (see FLAG command). These flags will affect the baseline or antenna corresponding to the box you are pointing at. They will be stored in the output file, which must be equal to the input file.
- Press 'E' to exit the cursor mode.

## 5.7 DROP

CLIC\DROP observation [version]

Remove an observation from the current index. The version number must be specified if it is not the last in the input file, even if it is the last in the current index. The observation will be ignored until the next FIND command. See also the IGNORE command.

## 5.8 DIRECTORY

CLIC\DIRECTORY [filespec]

Build a directory listing and store it into SIC variables. If "filespec" is omitted, the default pattern is "\*.hpb".

The following SIC variables are defined (overwriting any previous values):

DIRLE                      Number of files found  
DIRLE(1:DIRLE)    File names

If "filespec" contains a SIC logical name followed by ':', the logical is expanded before listing the files.

## 5.9 DUMP

CLIC\DUMP arguments [/PLOT]

A debugging command that lists a certain number of informations on the last read observation.

- DUMP HEADER argument: lists a certain number of informations about the observation header. Argument may be ALL, HEADER, GENERAL, POSITION, INTERFEROMETER, FREQUENCY, ATMOSPHERE, MONITOR, CONTINNUM, LINE (with optional argument 'iband', dump only subband 'iband'), SCANNING, IC (Instrumental calibration), AIC (Antenna-based Instrumental calibration), PC (RF Passband calibration), APC (Antenna-based RF Passband calibration), DD (Data Descriptor), WVR (Water Vapor radiometer), PHASES.
- DUMP DATA: lists the data associated parameters.
- DUMP FILE: lists information about the input and output files.
- DUMP INDEX: lists information about the current index.

- DUMP VIRTUAL: gives the virtual memory and paging file quotas.
- DUMP SIZE: gives the values of a number of key variables that define the size of the problem.
- DUMP BUFFER: dumps levels for atmospheric calibration (for debugging).
- DUMP RF: dumps antennas used for RF calibration (for debugging),
- DUMP SBA: dumps the sideband average (for debugging).
- DUMP CONTINUUM: dumps the continuum data.
- DUMP LINE c1 c2: dumps the spectral data from channel c1 to c2. DUMP LINE c1 c2 /PLOT will plot the spectral data amplitude as a function of channel number.

DUMP DATA, DUMP CONTINUUM and DUMP LINE will return the phase-corrected or uncorrected data, depending on the last SET PHASE ATM or SET PHASE NOATM command issued.

## 5.10 FILE

CLIC\FILE [type] [name] [NEW] [/WINDOW]

Selects the input and output files.

|                     |                                                                    |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| FILE IN Name        | defines the input file.                                            |
| FILE OUT Name [NEW] | defines the output file, and<br>initializes it if NEW is precised. |
| FILE BOTH Name      | selects the same file for input and output.                        |

The default filename extension is ".hpb". With FILE IN, the extension ".ipb" is also checked. This behaviour can be changed using the command SET EXTENSION. The character variable SHORT\_FILE is available after a FILE IN: it contains the file name without directory or extension. With option /WINDOW (if the windowing system is active), a panel window is created and the file name may be selected via a file browser ('Name' is then used as a filter). Pressing GO will then open the file.

CLIC\FILE RAW [project] [date] [/WINDOW] [/DIRECTORY]

FILE RAW [Project] [Date] will select the first file residing in the directories IPB\_DATA:, IPB\_DATA1:, ..., IPB\_DATA9:, which matches the optionally given project name and date, following the standard name convention used at Plateau de Bure (jj-mmm-yyyy-proj.ipb, or YYYYJJPROJ-



CODE.IPB in the archive). The names of all the NFILE files matching the project name and date are put in character array DATAFILE[NFILE] (the integer variable NFILE is also defined).

FILE RAW [Project] [Date] /WINDOW (if the windowing system is active) will create a panel window with a menu to select one of the available files, and two action buttons, one for opening the file, the other for creating a header file for calibration.

FILE RAW /DIRECTORY (if the windowing system is active) creates a panel window with a menu to edit the list of raw data file directories (logical names IPB\_DATA:, IPB\_DATA1:, ...)

### 5.11 FIND

```
CLIC\FIND [APPEND] [NEW_DATA] [UPDATE] [/LINE lname] [/NUMBER n1 n2]
[/SCAN s1 s2 [s3 s4 ...]] [/OFFSET o1 o2] [/PROCEDURE proc1 [...]]
[/QUALITY q] [/SOURCE s1 s2 ... sn] [/TELESCOPE tel] [/TYPE type]
[/RECEIVER number] [/MODE CORR|AUTO] [/LOAD HOT|COLD|SKY]
[/SKIPAUTO] [/EXCLUDE proc1 [...]] [/CORRELATOR n] [/POLAR]
```

FIND performs a search in the input file to build a new index, according to selection criteria defined by the SET command. These criteria can be listed with the SHOW CRITERIA command. They may be temporarily modified by the following options :

|                     |                                                   |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| /TYPE type          | search by source type                             |
| /LINE lname         | search by line name                               |
| /NUMBER n1 n2       | search for the specified range of obs. numbers    |
| /SCAN s1 s2 [s3 s4] | search for the specified range(s) of scan numbers |
| /OFFSET o1 o2       | search for these offsets                          |
| /SOURCE s1 ... sn   | search by source name                             |
| /PROCEDURE p1 .. pn | search by procedure name(s)                       |
| /QUALITY q          | search for the data of quality better than q      |
| /TELESCOPE tel      | search for the specified telescope name           |
| /RECEIVER number    | search by receiver number                         |
| /MODE mode          | search by correlation mode (auto/cross)           |
| /LOAD load          | search by load type (hot/cold/sky)                |
| /SKIPAUTO           | skip the autocorrelations in cross scans          |
| /EXCLUDE            | exclude from the search by procedure name(s)      |
| /CORRELATOR n       | search by correlator number                       |
| /POLARISATION       | search by polarisation subscan                    |

FIND /SCAN s1 s2 [s3 s4 ..] will loop across the 9999/0001 border if s1 (s3) is larger than s2 (s4). Using several source names in FIND /SOURCE is now supported. Source name and Line name matching is not case sensitive.

The current index is ordered by scan number or receiver number depending on the last command SET SORT issued. However the scan ordering is done modulo 9999 (i.e. the time order is respected if the 9999/0001 transition occurs in the current index).

FIND by default overwrites the current index. Found observations may be appended to the current index by specifying the argument APPEND; an index compression occurs to avoid duplication of scans in the index.

FIND does not return an error if the index is empty, but the variable FOUND is set to 0. FOUND is always set to the number of observations in the index. The command IGNORE can be used to declare a list of observations to be ignored by the FIND command.

Argument NEW\_DATA can be used to wait until new data is present in the input file. This possibility is intended for sites where data acquisition is done in CLIC format (Plateau de Bure) to use CLIC as an automated quick look facility. The behaviour is similar to that of command NEW\_DATA, but all selection criteria are considered.

Argument UPDATE will perform a FIND using an updated input file, in case new observations were added since the last FILE IN.

Options /SOURCE, /PROCEDURE, /EXCLUDE and /SCAN have a maximum number of arguments (20 sources, 10 procedures kept or excluded and 100 scan ranges). Input list will be truncated with a warning if needs be.

### 5.11.1 FIND /POLAR

CLIC\FIND /POLAR argum

Find scan corresponding to a given state. 0 means direct, 1 means all crossed. Valid values include 0 and 1 to 16 (corresponding to the polarisation subscans).

## 5.12 FITS

CLIC\FITS name [/PLOT] [/BASELINE b] [/ANTENNA a] [/OVERWRITE]

Create for each selected line subband a FITS file containing the spectral data. The fits file names are e.g. name-l01.fits, name-l02.fits, name-l03.fits (one fits file is created for each subband), if one has specified SET SUBBAND L01 L02 L03.

For autocorrelation data, the data from all antennas are averaged. For correlation data, the complex data from all baselines are averaged and the real part of the resulting visibility is used.

Option /ANTENNA exports a single logical antenna for autocorrelation data instead of averaging all antennas together. Option /BASELINE exports a single logical baseline for correlation data instead of averaging all baselines together. The baseline label uses the same logical notation as in SET BASELINE. Option /PLOT displays the selected spectrum before writing the FITS file.

Only one selector can be specified. Use /ANTENNA only for autocorrelation data and /BASELINE only for correlation data. Option /OVERWRITE allows replacing an existing output FITS file.

This command allows to easily write out spectra from point-like sources to be further analyzed in CLASS. Reading the data in CLASS and writing them in a CLASS-format file can be done with a procedure like:

```
FILE OUT myfile NEW
FITS READ name-l01.fits
WRITE next_obs
FITS READ name-l02.fits
WRITE next_obs
etc..
```

### 5.13 FLAG

```
CLIC\FLAG f1 f2 ... [/ANTENNA a1 [...]] [/BASELINE b1 [...]]
[/RESET]
```

Flag the current record (obtained by GET /RECORD) with flags f1 f2 ...

Flags may be relative to antennas or baselines. One of the options /ANTENNA or /BASELINE, with lists of antenna numbers or baseline names as arguments, must therefore be given. /ANTENNA ALL will flag all antennas, /BASELINE ALL will flag all baselines. These are the default.

Supported flag names are:

- C01 to C08 for bad individual continuum correlator subbands
- L01 to L08 for bad individual spectral correlator subbands
- DATA for bad data
- TSYS for too high system temperature (antenna based only)
- LOCK for out of lock local oscillator (antenna based only)
- POINTING for poor pointing (antenna based only)

- SHADOW for antenna being shadowed by another antenna (ant. based only)
- SATURATION for too high total power on a particular antenna
- TIME for time discontinuity
- DOPPLER for doppler discontinuity
- REDU for data reduction

Use option /RESET to suppress flags that were accidentally set.

FLAG with no argument lists the flags of the current record.

This command may be used in a MODIFY DATA or MODIFY RECORD loop, to flag data. If more than one record is to be flagged, command STORE FLAG is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

## 5.14 FREE

CLIC\FREE

Release internal virtual-memory buffers used to cache file sections in memory. This can be used to reduce memory usage or to force subsequent GET operations to reload data from disk.

## 5.15 GET

CLIC\GET [n|FIRST|NEXT] [/RECORD r] [/HEADER] [/ATM]

GET loads the observation number n. If n is absent, the previous (last read) observation is recovered. If instead of a number the keyword "FIRST" is given, the first observation of the current index is loaded. With "NEXT", the next observation in the current index is loaded.

If option /RECORD is present, only record r is loaded. Otherwise, the average record is loaded; it contains by default the uncorrected data unless option /ATM is present, in which case the phase-corrected record is loaded if it exists.

If option /HEADER is present, only the scan header is read. No data record is accessed. This command does not access the data file if only the header file is available.

## 5.16 HEADER

CLIC\HEADER [/PLOT] [/LIST]

Displays some header information on the current observation.

## General information line

Observation number  
Scan number  
Project Id  
Source name  
Source type (Object or Phase calibrator)  
Procedure name  
Interferometer configuration  
Date of observation  
UT of observation  
Hour angle

## Position information line

RA or L : right ascension or longitude (or azimuth)  
DEC or B : declination or latitude (or elevation)  
Epoch if equatorial coordinates are used  
Offsets in current units  
Type of coordinate (Eq, Ga, Ho)  
Flux of the source

## Quality information line

Quality code  
Flag  
Receiver number  
Number of dump  
Azimuth  
Elevation

## Spectral line information line

Line name  
Rest frequency  
Sideband  
Doppler correction  
Source velocity

## Correlator information, for each subband

Logical name  
Width (MHz)  
Central IF (MHz)  
Physical unit  
Quarter [for new receivers only]  
Polarization [for new receivers only]  
Narrow-band correlator input [for new receivers only]

## Interferometer status, for each antenna

Antenna number  
Station

Azimuth, Elevation, Focus corrections  
 Receiver temperature (K)  
 Image rejection (dB)  
 Water (mm)  
 System temperature (Tsys)

Argument /PLOT will produce an ASTRO like plot of the spectral setup.

Argument /LIST list the spectral windows and their rest frequencies.

## 5.17 IGNORE

CLIC\IGNORE list\_of\_observations

This command can be used to declare the specified list of Observations (from the input file) to be ignored in all FIND operations. They effectively become invisible to CLIC (except in a LIST IN command), until a FILE IN command is typed again. The input file is not physically modified however. The list of observation can be given using the same format as with a FOR command (e.g. n1 n2 n3 TO n4 BY n5 n6 TO n7).

## 5.18 LIST

CLIC\LIST [key] [/BRIEF] [/LONG] [/OUTPUT file] [/SHORT]  
 [/PROJECT] [/SOURCE] [/VARIABLE var\_list [/FORMAT format\_list]]  
 [/OFFSET] [/FLAG [/MEMORY]] [/TELESCOPE] [/BANDPASS]

This command lists header information of an ensemble of observations. LIST is used for a quick look to observation headers, in a more or less detailed format. 'Key' specifies the file to be listed: IN or OUT; if 'Key' is not present, the current index (as determined by the last FIND command) is listed. The list will be ordered by scan numbers or by receiver number, depending on the command SET SORT SCAN|RECEIVER|NUM. For each observation, a medium-sized format is used by default. This can be modified using the options:

LIST /BRIEF

Brief format (observation numbers and version numbers only).

LIST /LONG

Long format (not allowed for the output file). Several lines can be listed for each scan, that can be selected using the SET FORMAT command.

### LIST /SHORT

Gives only one line for a set of scans with same parameters; IFPB and CALI are not listed. The first and last scan of each group are logged in array S\_GROUP[2,N\_GROUP], N\_GROUP is the number of groups.

The output of the LIST command can be written in an output file instead of the terminal using the "/OUTPUT File" option. LIST can also be used to to list a number of specific parameters:

### LIST /FLAG [/MEMORY]

List data flags for current index. With option /MEMORY, will list flags in memory (see STORE FLAG /MEMORY).

### LIST /PROJECT

List the observing projects in the current index. The number of different offset positions is in variable N\_OFFPOS, the offsets are in array OFF\_POS[2,N\_OFFPOS].

### LIST /SOURCE

List the observed sources in the current index. The number of different source is in variable N\_SOURCE, the source names in character array C\_SOURCE[N\_SOURCE].

### LIST /TELESCOPE

List the telescopes in the current index. The number of different telescopes is in variable N\_TELESCOPE, the telescope names in character array C\_TELESCOPE[N\_TELESCOPE].

### LIST /OFFSET

List the observed position offsets for the current index.

### LIST /VARIABLE var\_list

List the value of the header variables given in var\_list. These variables must have been defined by command VARIABLE. If "/FORMAT format\_list" is also given, each variable in the list is printed according to the associated format item. The format items must match the variable types. With option /SHORT, a line is printed only if at least one of the variables has changed, and is preceded by the corresponding scan number range.

Example: LIST /VARIABLE FREQUENCY IFCEN[2] /FORMAT f10.3 f6.3 /SHORT gives the sky rest frequency and the central IF frequency of subband L02, as a function of scan numbers. These variables must have been previously defined using VARIABLE RF and VARIABLE LINE.

LIST /BANDPASS

List the bandpass solutions stored as scan in the input file.

## 5.19 MARK

CLIC\MARK f1 f2 ... [/ANTENNA i ][/BASELINE ij] [/RESET]

Set the antenna or baseline mark words.

To decide whether data should be used, CLIC uses the logical OR of the data flag words with the corresponding mark words. Thus data from some subbands may be [temporarily] ignored even if unflagged. Flags may be relative to antennas or baselines. /ANTENNA or /BASELINE must be given, with antenna numbers or baseline names as arguments. Several antennas and baselines may be given simultaneously. Use /ANTENNA ALL or /BASELINE ALL for all antennas or all baselines.

Flag names f1 f2 ... are alphanumeric codes. Valid codes are sub-band names (C01 to C136, L01 to L136), DATA, POINTING, SHADOW, TSYS, SATURATION and LOCK and REDU

Use option /RESET to reset flags that were accidentally set in the mark words.

MARK with no arguments (just options) will list the MARK words currently in use. See also STORE FLAG /MEMORY if you want to flag a subset of scans in memory.

## 5.20 MASK

CLIC\MASK f1 f2 ... [/ANTENNA i1 [...]] [/BASELINE b1 [...]]  
[/RESET] [/ALL] [/SPECTRAL]

This command causes some flags to be ignored by setting the antenna or baseline "mask" words. Data flagged will normally not be processed by calibration commands. However flags set in the corresponding mask word will be ignored, causing data to be processed anyway. Flags may be relative to antennas or baselines. One of the options /ANTENNA or /BASELINE



must therefore be given, with antenna numbers or baseline names as arguments.

Supported flag names are:

- C001 to C136 for bad individual continuum correlator subbands
- L001 to L136 for bad individual spectral correlator subbands
- DATA for bad data
- TSYS for too high system temperature (antenna based only)
- LOCK for out of lock local oscillator (antenna based only)
- POINTING for poor pointing (antenna based only)
- SHADOW for antenna being shadowed by another antenna (ant. based only)
- SATURATION for too high total power on a particular antenna
- TIME for time discontinuity
- DOPPLER for doppler discontinuity
- REDU for data reduction

Option /ALL will mask all flags.

Option /SPECTRAL will mask the spectral flag (C001 to C136 and L001 to L136)

Use option /RESET to remove flags from the mask works.

MASK with no arguments will list the mask words currently in use.

## 5.21 MINMAX

CLIC\MINMAX

This command is used to compute extremal amplitudes on the current observation (loaded e.g. with GET). It processes all continuum and line data, USB and LSB. Results for the continuum subbands are stored in variables C\_MAXAMP\_U, C\_MINAMP\_U, C\_MAXAMP\_L, C\_MINAMP\_L, and results for the line subbands in variables L\_\*.

This command may be used in a MODIFY DATA or MODIFY RECORD loop, to search for bad data.

## 5.22 MONITOR

CLIC\MONITOR delta\_time

This command is used to prepare the atmospheric phase correction based on the total power monitor (normally done at 1.3 mm). It process all scans in the current index and performs two operations.

First, it processes the calibration scans to compute the correction factors. i.e. the change of path length for a given change in emission temperature of the atmosphere at the atmospheric monitor frequency (normally 1.3 mm, i.e. using Receiver 2 data). These correction factors are then written in subsequent scans, until a new calibration is found.

Second, the scans in the current index are grouped in intervals of maximum duration 'delta\_time' (in seconds); source changes will also be used to separate intervals. In each interval a straight line is fitted in the variation of atmospheric emission as a function of time; this line will be the reference value for the atmospheric correction, i.e. the correction at time  $t$  is proportional to the difference between the atmospheric emission at time  $t$  and the reference at time  $t$ . This scheme is used to avoid contaminating the correction with total power drifts of non-atmospheric origin (changes in receiver noise and gain, and changes in ground noise).

MONITOR 0 will use for each scan the average of the atmospheric emission as the reference value. This will cause the correction to average to zero in one scan: the average phase is not changed, only the coherence is restored leading to an improved amplitude (this is what is done in the correlator at the Plateau de Bure to compute the scan-averaged spectral and continuum quantities).

## 5.23 MODIFY

CLIC\MODIFY Item [Values...]

This is a command to change some parameters relevant to data acquisition, such as baseline values, time, position of phase center, delay, etc. MODIFY applies to the current index. An output file must be opened (it may be equal to the input file).

Note the special behaviour of MODIFY HEADER, MODIFY DATA, and MODIFY RECORD, which execute an external script to modify the data and/or the header, hence giving to the user a large flexibility in the possible changes.

The MODIFY command is to be used with great caution, as it can directly affect the data. There's no telling what can happen if this command is wrongly used. So please consult an expert before any action.

### 5.23.1 MODIFY ANTENNA

```
CLIC\MODIFY ANTENNA a1 x1 y1 z1 [a2 x2 y2 z2 ...] [/OFFSET 89|96|99]
CLIC\MODIFY ANTENNA FITTED
```

Modify the vector coordinates for antenna a1 to be: x1, y1, z1 (meters), and the phases accordingly. Keyword FITTED will load the antenna coordinates the most recently found by the SOLVE BASELINE command.

Option /OFFSET 86|96|99 allows to select to which version of the "standard" antenna coordinates the offset reffer.

### 5.23.2 MODIFY AXES\_OFFSET

```
CLIC\MODIFY AXES_OFFSET a1 x1 [a2 x2 ...]
```

Correct the phases for the offset of the elevation axis with respect to the azimuth axis. This effect, if different for different antennas, causes a phase offset proportional to frequency and to the cosine of elevation. a1 is the antenna number, x1 the offset between axes in meters. The actual values should be at most 1 mm, and may be measured using the command SOLVE BASELINE, using SET X ELEVATION in addition to Hour angle and declination.

### 5.23.3 MODIFY BASELINE

```
CLIC\MODIFY BASELINE b1 x1 y1 z1 [b2 x2 y2 z2 ...] [/OFFSET
89|96|99]
CLIC\MODIFY BASELINE FITTED
```

Modify the vector coordinates for baseline b1 to be: x1, y1, z1 (meters), and the phases accordingly. Keyword FITTED will load the baseline coordinates the most recently found by the SOLVE BASELINE command.

Option /OFFSET 86|96|99 allows to select to which version of the "standard" antenna coordinates the offset reffer.

### 5.23.4 MODIFY BUG

```
CLIC\MODIFY BUG number
```

This command is reserved for the correction of nasty bugs in the data acquisition. The number is used for identification.

Current accepted values:

- 1 Affecting data taken between 11-nov-1995 and 09-jan-1996. Bug in RDI found by S.Guilloteau. The continuum data was erroneously calibrated in the real-time aquisition. As result, the continuum data did not agree with the average of the spectral data. For instance plotting data with "set sub C02 L02" as a function of time gives different results for C02 and L02. The result would affect line intensities if, as is usually the case, the amplitude calibration is done with the continuum subbands.

Correction: the current index should contain both atmosphere calibrations and correlation data; the data file should be open for both input and output. This command should not affect data taken before 11-nov-1995 and after 09-jan-1996; be careful for the last day since the hour is not checked, and RDI was corrected at 3pm.

- 2 Affecting data taken between 26-jan-2015 and 05-mar-2015. Bug in correl after change of commons to 7 antennas. Consequence is a phase offset between narrow band correlator units and widex units depending on elevation and baseline.

MODIFY BUG 2 will correct the bug. Warning: this correction is an offset to the phases, so it should be applied only once. If the correction is done on data file (IPB), there is a check that this is the case, but header files (HPB) are not protected against correcting twice.

- 3 Affects data reduced with a CLIC version compiled from 15-jun-2023 to 19-oct-2023, if HR spw are present and any MODIFY (ANTENNA, BASE, DELAY ...) was done in lowres mode. In that case, CLIC stored data modifiers only for the low-resolution spectral windows.

MODIFY BUG 3 will check the data modifier from both LR and HR, and if they do not match will apply the complement of LR to HR.

### 5.23.5 MODIFY CABLE

CLIC\MODIFY CABLE arguments

Modify the cable phase.

MODIFY CABLE a1 a2 a3 a4 a5 a6 corrects for a permutation of the cables to the phasemeters. Phasemeters 1 2 3 4 5 6 are assumed to be connected to the antennas a1 a2 a3 a4 a5 a6.

MODIFY CABLE CONTINUOUS corrects the cable phases to be continuous

(should use only the correlations, without LOCK flag, for which the phases have a meaning).

MODIFY CABLE FACTOR f assume the phase correction applied has to be multiplied by f (replaces the old MODIFY CABL2).

### 5.23.6 MODIFY DELAY

```
CLIC\MODIFY DELAY a1 d1 [a2 d2 ...] [/OFFSET] [/IF if] [/BBAND ib]
[/ALL] [/INSTRUMENTAL] [/POLARISATION H|V|BOTH] [/SWITCH DIRECT|CROSSED]
```

Modify the delay for antenna a1 to be d1 (nanoseconds), and recompute the phases accordingly.

Use option /OFFSET to enter delay changes with respect to the previous values.

Option /IF or /BBAND allow to modify the delay for a given IF or baseband. Option /ALL modify all spectral windows.

Option /INSTRUMENTAL allows to correct a delay that would have been introduced in the system after mixing with L01, i.e. in IF1.

Option /SWITCH allows to correct only baselines where the antennas are in the direct/crossed state.

### 5.23.7 MODIFY DOPPLER

```
CLIC\MODIFY DOPPLER
```

Computes the Doppler velocity correction, in case it was not taken into account at the time of observing. The L02 frequency in the header is assumed to be the frequency actually used. A warning is issued if the L01 frequency in the header is not coherent with the L02 frequency (which means the phase tracking might be in error, since it uses that L01 frequency).

The frequencies and line names introduced by SET FREQUENCY are used to define the velocity scales for each subband/sideband.

### 5.23.8 MODIFY FLUX

```
CLIC\MODIFY FLUX value
```

Modify the flux of the source as stored in the header. In SET AMPLITUDE SCALED mode, the amplitude will be divided by this number before plot-

ting.

### 5.23.9 MODIFY SPIDX

CLIC\MODIFY SPIDX value

Modify the spectral index of the source as stored in the header. In SET SPIDX ON mode, the amplitude be corrected by this spectral index with respect to reference frequency.

### 5.23.10 MODIFY FOCUS

CLIC\MODIFY FOCUS [antenna1 value1 antenna2 value2 ...]

Correct the phases for the offsets in focus, introduced to optimize efficiency. antenna1 is the antenna number, value1 the focus offset in mm, and so on. The phases are normally corrected in real time since 1996-nov-29. Between 1996-may-29 and 1996-nov-29, the focus corrections were logged in the data files. Before 1996-may-29 they are only in the log-obs files. Between 1996-nov-29 and 1998-apr-02, the correction had wrong sign for the few projects using HIGH LOCK.

So use MODIFY FOCUS with NO arguments for data more recent than 1996-nov-29: this should correct the HIGH LOCK problem. Between 1996-may-29 and 1996-nov-29, MODIFY FOCUS with no arguments will use the focus offsets in the header and apply the corresponding phase offsets.

For older data you may now search for the focus changes in the log files to apply the phase corrections before calibration; or use jumps in the phase calibration (SOLVE PHASE /BREAK) just as you had done before.

### 5.23.11 MODIFY FREQUENCIES

CLIC\MODIFY FREQUENCIES

The frequencies and line names introduced by SET FREQUENCY are used to re-define the velocity scales for each subband/sideband. By default, the frequency and line name entered in OBS for at data aquisition on the Plateau de Bure is used for all sidebands and subbands.

### 5.23.12 MODIFY SIGN\_PHASE

CLIC\MODIFY SIGN\_PHASE

Change the sign of all phases of the data in the current index. This

command is intended for recovering data taken in a preliminary status of the new correlator software.

### 5.23.13 MODIFY PHASE

```
CLIC\MODIFY PHASE a1 p1 [a2 p2 ...] [/IF if] [/BBAND ib] [/ALL]
[/POLARISATION H|V|BOTH] [/SWITCH DIRECT|CROSSED]
```

Modify the visibility phase for antenna a1 by d1 (unit determined from SET PHASE DEGREE|RADIANS).

Option /IF or /BBAND allow to modify the delay for a given IF or base-band. Option /ALL modify all spectral windows.

Option /SWITCH allows to correct only baselines where the antennas are in the direct/crossed state.

### 5.23.14 MODIFY POSITION

```
CLIC\MODIFY POSITION EQ Epoch R.A. Dec.
```

Modify the source (phase center) position. This precesses the phases accordingly. Note that this cannot change the antenna pointing center. Typical use of this command is to correct positions of inaccurate phase calibrators.

### 5.23.15 MODIFY REFERENCE

```
CLIC\MODIFY REFERENCE UPPER|LOWER r1 r2 ...
```

The reference channels in the available line subbands are changed to the new values. Use with caution: this command is actually changing the frequency and velocity scale of your data.

### 5.23.16 MODIFY SCALE

```
CLIC\MODIFY SCALE amplitude phase
```

Multiply all data in the current index by this (complex) scale factor. To be used in case of emergency only!. Phase is interpreted according to the SET PHASE command (radians or degrees).

### 5.23.17 MODIFY TELESCOPE

CLIC\MODIFY TELESCOPE

Compute the telescope name (i.e. the configuration name) according to the new rules.

### 5.23.18 MODIFY TIME

CLIC\MODIFY TIME dut1

Modify the time constant DUT1 (in seconds) and recompute the phases accordingly. For very high accuracy astrometry, DUT1 may need to be adjusted afterwards to correct for irregularities for the earth rotation. The "a priori" estimates may be wrong. Another case is the leap seconds, if they are introduced asynchronously with the DUT1 constant...

### 5.23.19 MODIFY VELOCITY

CLIC\MODIFY VELOCITY New\_vel

The source velocity is changed to New\_vel. Use with caution: this command is actually changing the frequency and velocity scale of your data.

### 5.23.20 MODIFY HEADER

CLIC\MODIFY HEADER procedure

This is a general command to edit the header of the scans in the current index.. CLIC enters a loop in which all the headers are read successively. For each header the procedure 'procedure' (default extension ".clic") is executed. This procedure may only contain the following commands : DUMP, HEADER, GO, or any SIC command that acts on variables. Especially, variables defined by the VARIABLE command can be modified...

The command GO [WRITE] must end the procedure. With GO WRITE, the scan header will be updated; with only GO, the scan header is not updated and CLIC loads the next scan header in the current index. If no GO command is encountered in the procedure, the loop is aborted. If a PAUSE command is found in the procedure, the PAUSE is executed, but the prompt changes to "MODIFY>". The same commands as above may then be executed from the keyboard; "QUIT ALL" may be used to abort the loop.

### 5.23.21 MODIFY DATA

CLIC\MODIFY DATA procedure [/BEFORE date] [/AFTER date] [/ATM]



This is a general command to edit the data headers of the scans in the current index. CLIC enters a loop in which for all scans in the current index, the data header of the average record is read. For each scan the procedure 'procedure' (default extension ".clic") is executed. This procedure may only contain the following commands : DUMP, HEADER, FLAG, MINMAX, GO, or any SIC command that acts on variables. Especially, variables defined by the VARIABLE command can be modified...

The command GO [WRITE] must end the procedure. With GO WRITE, the data record will be updated; with only GO, the data record is not updated and CLIC loads the next record from the current index. If no GO command is encountered in the procedure, the loop is aborted. If a PAUSE command is found in the procedure, the PAUSE is executed, but the prompt changes to "MODIFY>". The same commands as above may then be executed from the keyboard; "QUIT ALL" may be used to abort the loop.

The options /BEFORE and /AFTER allows to select data depending on their observing dates.

If present, the /ATM option allows to modify the data header of the phase corrected average record (will work only if such record is present in the data, so only on cross-correlations: CROSS, FLUX, POINT, GAIN ...)

### 5.23.22 MODIFY RECORD

CLIC\MODIFY RECORD procedure [/RECORD idump] [/BEFORE date] [/AFTER date]

This is a general command to edit the data headers of the scans in the current index. CLIC enters a loop in which all the data header of all records of all scans in the current index are read successively. In the case the option "/RECORD idump" is used, only the record number idump is read. For each record the procedure 'procedure' (default extension ".clic") is executed. This procedure may only contain the following commands : DUMP, HEADER, FLAG, MINMAX, GO, or any SIC command that acts on variables. Especially, variables defined by the VARIABLE command can be modified...

The command GO [WRITE] must end the procedure. With GO WRITE, the data record will be updated; with only GO, the data record is not updated and CLIC loads the next record from the current index. If no GO command is encountered in the procedure, the loop is aborted. If a PAUSE command is found in the procedure, the PAUSE is executed, but the prompt changes to "MODIFY>". The same commands as above may then be executed from the keyboard; "QUIT ALL" may be used to abort the loop.

The options /BEFORE and /AFTER allows to select data depending on their observing dates.

## 5.24 NEW\_DATA

CLIC\NEW\_DATA [time] [tries]

Waits until new data has been written to the input file, then makes a new index from all new data. The type of observation can be changed by this command, but the index will contain only observations of one type. Selection criteria defined by command SET are ignored.

This command can be used to make a quick look or analysis of data produced by a real time acquisition system (Plateau de Bure). Caution: only two programs should access the input file simultaneously, one for writing the other for reading.

The first argument is the time interval between two consecutive inspections of the file index; the second is the allowed number of unsuccessful attempts to find new data in the file. The defaults are 10 seconds and 12 tries (two-minute timeout).

## 5.25 PLOT

CLIC\PLOT keyword [/IDENTIFY [COLOUR]] [/NOFRAME [pen]] [/NODRAW]  
[/RECORD list\_of\_records] [/RESET] [/APPEND] [/PHYSICAL]  
[/BOXES nx ny] [/NOSORT]

Plot data from the current index according to options selected by the CLIC\SET command.

PLOT [ALL]

Erases the screen and plots all data in the current index (default).

PLOT FIRST

Erases the screen and plots data from the first observation in the current index.

PLOT NEXT

Plots data from the next observation in the current index. Does not clear the screen before plotting.

#### PLOT number

Plots data from the observation of the given number (must be in the current index). Does not clear the screen before plotting.

#### PLOT SAME

Plots again the last plotted buffers (with possibly new options, such as line type, limits, ...).

#### PLOT /NOFRAME [Pen]

Does not erase the screen, and plots data in the present boxes, optionally with a new pen. This is very useful for comparing data. It can also be used in conjunction with PLOT /APPEND.

#### PLOT /NODRAW

Does not produce the plot but read all data and update the X\_DATA and Y\_DATA buffers. This is very useful to e.g. modify these buffers in SIC before actual plotting (with PLOT SAME).

#### PLOT /RECORD list\_of\_records

Plots only some records for the observation(s). "list\_of\_records" is of the format n1 to n2 n3 n4 to n5, as with the SIC\FOR command.

#### PLOT /IDENTIFY [COLOR]

Plots a different GREG symbol for each source (if SET PLOT POINT is currently active). Using optional argument COLOR will produce points also differing by color.

#### PLOT /NOSORT

Prevent sorting of data according to X axis in each box.

#### PLOT /PHYSICAL

Plot labels use physical antenna number rather than logical numbers.

#### PLOT /BOX nx ny

Plot page will be arranged with nx times ny boxes. Wildcard may be used.

#### PLOT /RESET

Reset the time origin (and, by consequence, the time-dependent amplitude and phase calibration curves) before plotting.

#### PLOT /APPEND

Does not reset the previous buffers before reading data and plotting. This may be used at the Plateau de Bure for incrementally plotting new data just after it is written on disk.

After the plot, the arrays `X_DATA[N_DATA,N_BOXES]` and `Y_DATA[N_DATA,N_BOXES]` contain the values of the points that have been displayed. `N_BOXES` is the number of boxes that have been plotted, and `N_DATA[N_BOXES]` is the number of data points in each box. `W_DATA[N_DATA,N_BOXES]` contains the weights associated to each data point.

### 5.26 POPUP

#### CLIC\POPUP

Interactive display helper: use the graphic cursor to point to a plotted box, and CLIC will redraw that box in a temporary window. Press 'E' to exit.

### 5.27 PRINT

#### CLIC\PRINT Item

Prepares a procedure for further use.

#### PRINT BASELINE

Prepares a procedure to be used in OBS to enter the most recently fitted baseline parameters (SOLVE BASELINE command). This procedure also contains (but commented out) the CLIC\MODIFY command to edit previous data to the same fitted baseline parameters.

#### PRINT DELAY

Prepares a procedure to be used in OBS to enter the most recently fitted delay parameters (SOLVE DELAY command).

#### PRINT FLUXES

Prepares a procedure to be used in CLIC to re-enter the most recently determined source fluxes (SOLVE FLUX command).

## 5.28 RESIDUALS

CLIC\RESIDUALS item

Clear the graphic screen and plot the residuals from last SOLVE command. "item" can only be "BASELINE" up to now.

## 5.29 SAVE

CLIC\SAVE name

[STILL UNIMPLEMENTED]

SAVE creates a procedure file of name "name.clic", containing all the current parameters of the program. This file may be executed at any time using the @ command : just type "@ name" after the CLIC> prompt, or pass "@ name" as a parameter when invoking CLIC (by typing "CLIC @ name"). This file is composed of standard CLIC commands, and may be edited with any text editor.

## 5.30 SET

CLIC\SET Keyword [Value1 [Value2 [...]]] [/DEFAULT]

This command is used to specify a value for a parameter used by CLIC. These values may be temporarily overridden by the options of some commands (e.g. FIND).

Each "SET Keyword" command has an equivalent "SHOW Keyword" command that display the current status. SET /DEFAULT restores all default values.

### 5.30.1 SET AMPLITUDE

CLIC\SET AMPLITUDE [ABSOLUTE|RELATIVE] [SCALED|UNSCALED]  
[KELVIN|JANSKY] [ANTENNA|BASELINE] [RAW] [SIZED|UNSIZED]  
[SPIDX|NOSPIDX]

This command controls which scaling factor is applied to the data for plotting and writing in the output table, in subsequent PLOT and TABLE commands:

- ABSOLUTE means that the relative amplitude calibration is not applied.

- RELATIVE means that the relative amplitude calibration, as determined with SOLVE AMPLITUDE, and stored with STORE AMPLITUDE, is applied.
- SCALED means that the absolute amplitude is divided by the source flux; SCALED is only used for the command SOLVE AMPLITUDE.
- KELVIN|JANSKY indicates the unit in which the amplitude are displayed: either Kelvins (in main-beam brightness temperature) or Janskys.

SET AMPLITUDE ABSOLUTE forces SET AMPLITUDE KELVIN since the uncalibrated data are measured in Kelvins. With SET AMPLITUDE RELATIVE, the amplitudes are in Janskys, since a calibrator of known flux has been used for reference. If the default is overridden (SET AMPLITUDE ABSOLUTE JANSKY or SET AMPLITUDE RELATIVE KELVIN), conversion factors (=antenna efficiencies) are taken from the scan headers; these factors may be determined by SOLVE FLUX and stored by STORE FLUX.

SET AMPLITUDE ANTENNA|BASELINE switches between Antenna-based and Baseline-based amplitude calibrations. This switch will be active for SOLVE AMPLITUDE (calibration curve determination), STORE AMPLITUDE (calibration curve storing operation), and SET AMPLITUDE RELATIVE (application). Both baseline-based and antenna-based calibration curves may be stored alongside in the data header, independently of each other. Using SET AMPLITUDE ANTENNA is recommended.

SET AMPLITUDE RAW allows to plot the amplitude as correlation coefficient by dividing the amplitudes by the geometrical average of system temperatures of the antennas consisting the considered baseline.

SET AMPLITUDE SIZED|UNSIZED switches on and off a correction of the amplitude for source size (sources with known size are W3OH and MWC349).

SET AMPLITUDE SPIDX|NOSPIDX switches on and off a correction of the amplitude for the source spectral index (w.r.t. the reference frequency).

### 5.30.2 SET ANGLE

CLIC\SET ANGLE unit

Specify the angle unit for offsets. May be R[adian], D[egree], M[inute of arc], S[econd of arc]. Default is SECOND. The ANGLE unit is also used to display Continuum drifts.

### 5.30.3 SET ANTENNAS

```
CLIC\SET ANTENNAS [a1 a2 ...]  
CLIC\SET ANTENNAS [ALL] [PHYSICAL] | [LOGICAL]
```

Selects the antennas for which data will be displayed by command PLOT. This command is exclusive with commands SET BASELINES and SET TRIANGLES.

Parameters which may be displayed in this antenna-mode are obvious antenna-based parameters such as cable phase, LO-phase and rate, ... With SET Y AMPLITUDE and when more than 3 antennas are available in the data, antenna amplitude is computed by averaging all possible "triangular ratios" of baseline amplitudes. With SET Y PHASE a phase is attributed to each antenna by setting the phase of antenna 1 to zero, and making use of closure relations for other antennas (least square fit). This is useful for fitting baselines for instance (it enables one to determine directly antenna position offsets).

SET ANTENNA with no arguments selects all antennas present in the baselines previously in use. SET ANTENNA ALL will select all the antennas available in the first scan of the current index, for each command accessing the data (e.g. PLOT). This is the default.

Note that SET ANTENNA also allows to select the antenna to be processed by the SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY command (if several antennas are selected, the first one in the list is processed).

SET ANTENNA PHYSICAL|LOGICAL allows to select if the antenna numbers are to be interpreted as physical (i.e. antenna ID) or logical (rank of the antenna in the ordered list of antenna physical number available in the observation). The antenna numbering in the header of boxes in the PLOT will change according to this switch.

### 5.30.4 SET APC

```
CLIC\SET APC status
```

\*\*\* THIS COMMAND IS OBSOLETE \*\*\*

### 5.30.5 SET AVERAGING

```
CLIC\SET AVERAGING mode
```

Selects time averaging of data plotted (the data in the file is unaffected). 'mode' may be :

- NONE : all data points are plotted.

- SCAN : the scan-averaged data is used and only one point is thus plotted per scan.
- TIME dt : data is averaged in time intervals of length dt (seconds). Data of consecutive scans is NOT averaged together.
- METHOD VECTOR : complex visibilities are averaged as complex numbers.
- METHOD SCALAR : amplitude and phases of visibilities are averaged separately.
- CONT : sideband averages are computed on continuum subbands.
- LINE : sideband averages are computed on line subbands. Baseband averages are derived from the IF averages.

This command obviously does not affect the spectral data. See also SET BINNING for another way of averaging data.

### 5.30.6 SET ASPECT\_RATIO

CLIC\SET ASPECT\_RATIO value [AUTO|EXACT]

Choose a default aspect ratio (x\_size/y\_size) for boxes plotted by command PLOT. If several boxes must be plotted (depending on subbands, baselines, or sidebands selected), the plot page will be partitioned in order to:

- AUTO mode: approach this aspect ratio for each box while filling the whole page.
- EXACT mode: use this aspect ratio for each box (part of the plot page will be left blank).

The default is 2.0 AUTO.

### 5.30.7 SET ATMOSPHERE

CLIC\SET ATMOSPHERE Argument Value /ANTENNA a1 [a2 ...]

Selects the way atmospheric calibration is done by command ATMOSPHERE, Argument may be FILE, AUTO, TREC, or MANUAL. This will affect the antennas given in argument to the option /ANTENNA (/ANTENNA ALL selects all



antennas). Argument may also be NEW, 2009, 2003, OLD, 1985, to switch between atmospheric model versions or INTERPOLATE to use tabulated atmospheric model (defined to be GAG\_ATMOSPHERE) ; option /ANTENNA is not required in that case.

- In FILE mode the actual mode is taken from the data header, as given in the OBS program.
- In TREC mode the receiver temperature is assumed known, to set the scale of measured sky temperature and optical depth, and determine the system noise temperature. The receiver temperature is taken from the data header, as given in OBS. It may be forced to a different value by giving it as second argument 'value', or by the SET TREC command.
- In AUTO mode the water vapor content is assumed known; it is determined from the antennas in TREC mode, if any, or taken from the data header, or forced to the value given in the second argument 'value', or by the SET WATER command.

These parameters, together with the wheather station data, are used to compute the system noise temperature for each antenna. In MANUAL mode, no model atmosphere is used, but the values of optical depths and atmospheric temperatures stored in the data.

- OLD or 1985 select the old ATM model, in use at IRAM since circa 1985.
- 2003 select the 2003 version of the ATM model, developed by Juan Pardo in ISM in Madrid. For this, the new ATM library must be available. If not the old ATM will be used.
- NEW or 2009 (the default) select the 2009 ATM model, developed by Juan Pardo in ISM in Madrid. For this, the ATM library must be available. If not the old ATM will be used.
- INTERPOLATE will use a tabulated file produced by ASTRO\ATMOSPHERE MAKE. This option should not be used, as the use of tabulated file is only used to speed up calculations at Bure.

### 5.30.8 SET BANDS

CLIC\SET BANDS b1 b2 ...

Selects the sidebands for which data will be displayed by command PLOT.

Valid codes are "UPPER" or "USB", "LOWER" or "LSB", "AVERAGE" or "DSB", "DIFFERENCE", and "RATIO".

In "AVERAGE", "DIFFERENCE" or "RATIO" modes, the sidebands visibilities are corrected before combination for their relative phases, as determined by the RF bandpass calibration. If no RF bandpass calibration is available (i.e. stored with the data), the relative phases are obtained by averaging the continuum subbands (which is useless if no continuum emission is detected).

### 5.30.9 SET BASELINES

```
CLIC\SET BASELINES [b1 b2 ...]
CLIC\SET BASELINES [ALL] | [PHYSICAL] | [LOGICAL]
```

Selects the baselines for which data will be displayed by command PLOT. Valid codes are pairs of antennas, e.g. "01-02", "01-03", "09-10", etc... This command is exclusive with commands SET ANTENNAS and SET TRIANGLES.

SET BASELINE with no argument selects all baselines connecting the antennas previously in use. SET BASELINE ALL will select all the baselines available in the first scan of the current index, for each command accessing the data (e.g. PLOT). This is the default.

SET BASELINE PHYSICAL|LOGICAL allows to select if the baseline numbers are to be interpreted as physical (i.e. antenna ID) or logical (rank of the antenna in the ordered list of antenna physical number available in the observation). The baseline numbering in the header of boxes in the PLOT will change according to this switch.

### 5.30.10 SET BINNING

```
CLIC\SET BINNING size [position]
CLIC\SET BINNING OFF
```

Selects data averaging in bins of the parameter in the X coordinate array. Bins are defined by the size of intervals, and the position of one of the intervals (in units of the X coordinate; default is 0). SET BINNING OFF will turn this mode off. Note that this averaging in bins occurs AFTER the averaging selected by SET AVERAGING.

SET BINNING is particularly useful for averaging spectra along the frequency axis and for plotting data as a function of UV coordinates.

A command SET X used to change the X units will automatically reset the binning OFF.

#### 5.30.11 SET BPC

CLIC\SET BPC status

FIND will select observations according to the status of RF Bandpass Calibration (BPC). 'status' may be YES to select observations already calibrated, NO to select still uncalibrated observations, \* to disregard this selection criterion. This command is very seldom used.

#### 5.30.12 SET CLOSURE

CLIC\SET CLOSURE b1 w1 b2 w2 ...

\*\*\* THIS COMMAND IS OBSOLETE \*\*\*

Select weights to be used for each baseline when computing the closure relations (this is done by a least squares resolution of an overdetermined system, in antenna mode). You may wish to give more weight to the shorter baselines. Default weights are equal.

#### 5.30.13 SET CRITERIA

CLIC\SET CRITERIA /DEFAULT

Reset all the search criteria for command FIND to their default values (all the observations in the file will be found). Use SHOW CRITERIA to list the current criteria.

SET /DEFAULT will set default values for all parameters (not only selection criteria).

#### 5.30.14 SET DATA

CLIC\SET DATA np nb

Extend the size of the plot buffers to contain nb boxes of np points each.

#### 5.30.15 SET DEFAULT

CLIC\SET DEFAULT (or SET /DEFAULT)

Reset all the SET parameters to their default values.

#### 5.30.16 SET DROP

CLIC\SET DROP low high

Give the fraction of the passband to be left out at the low-frequency and at the high frequency ends of each spectral correlator subband. This is used by further PLOT and TABLE commands. The default is 5% of the bandwidth at both ends.

#### 5.30.17 SET ERRORS

CLIC\SET ERROR NOISE|ATMOSPHERE

Controls the way the error bars for phase plots in time mode are computed.

- with NOISE the errors are computed according to the system noise only; this is the default.
- with ATMOSPHERE the rms phase fluctuations as measured when compressing the data, are included in the error bars.

#### 5.30.18 SET EXTENSION

CLIC\SET EXTENSION string

Use 'string' as the list of the default extensions for the FILE IN command. The default is ".hpb .ipb" (in this order).

Not all extensions are accepted by CLIC: other possible values are ".ipb-raw", ".ipb-comp", ".ipb-cal", ".ipb-data".

#### 5.30.19 SET FINDPOL

CLIC\SET FINDPOL i1 [i2] ... [i17] | \*

Set which polarisation subscans FIND will search. 0 means direct, 1 all crossed. \* deactivates the search on polarisation subscans.

#### 5.30.20 SET FLUX

CLIC\SET FLUX name value [frequency] [date] [/RESET]

Enters 'value' as the flux (in Janskys) of source 'name'.

The flux of one or several reference sources must be given to CLIC as an input to command SOLVE FLUX (which derives the antenna efficiencies and the fluxes of the other objects). If the flux of a source is entered by SET FLUX, this source will be a reference source. After "SET FLUX name \*", source 'name' will not be a reference source any more. Its flux may then be re-determined by a subsequent SOLVE FLUX command.

Use command SHOW FLUX to list the fluxes known to the current CLIC session. The reference sources are listed with a "FIXED" keyword (their flux is fixed), while the flux determined by SOLVE FLUX are listed as "FREE".

One may optionally enter a frequency (in GHz) and a date (jj-mmm-yyyy). The frequencies and dates are checked in that case by SOLVE FLUX and STORE FLUX. Matching is within 1 GHz for frequencies and 1 week for dates.

If /RESET is given, all entries with the given source name are deleted from the flux list. SET FLUX ALL /RESET will empty the flux list.

### 5.30.21 SET SPIDX

CLIC\SET SPIDX name value [frequency] [date] [/RESET]

Enters 'value' as the spectral index of source 'name'.

The flux of one or several reference sources must be given to CLIC as an input to command SOLVE SPIDX (which derives the antenna efficiencies and the spectral indexes of the other objects). If the spectral index of a source is entered by SET SPIDX, this source will be a reference source. After "SET SPIDX name \*", source 'name' will not be a reference source any more. Its spectral index may then be re-determined by a subsequent SOLVE SPIDX command.

Use command SHOW SPIDX to list the spectral indexes known to the current CLIC session. The reference sources are listed with a "FIXED" keyword (their spectral index is fixed), while the flux determined by SOLVE SPIDX are listed as "FREE".

One may optionally enter a frequency (in GHz) and a date (jj-mmm-yyyy). The frequencies and dates are checked in that case by SOLVE SPIDX and STORE SPIDX. Matching is within 1 GHz for frequencies and 1 week for dates.

If /RESET is given, all entries with the given source name are deleted

from the flux list. SET SPIDX ALL /RESET will empty the spectral index list.

### 5.30.22 SET FORMAT

CLIC\SET FORMAT Keyword [ON] [OFF]

Set the format of the header information listed with the LIST /LONG command. Each keyword indicate whether certain informations are to be written (ON) or not (OFF). If all Keyword are ON, then the same list of information as with the command HEADER is obtained.

General information line (always written)

- Observation number
- Scan number
- Project Id
- Source name
- Source type
- Procedure name
- Interferometer configuration
- Date of observation
- UT of observation
- Hour angle

Position information line (keyword POSITION)

- RA or L : right ascension or longitude (or azimuth)
- DEC or B : declination or latitude (or elevation)
- Epoch if equatorial coordinates are used
- Offsets in current units
- Type of coordinate (Eq, Ga, Ho)
- Flux of the source

Quality information line (keyword QUALITY)

- Quality code
- Flag
- Receiver number
- Number of dump
- Azimuth
- Elevation

Spectral line information line (keyword STATUS)

- Line name
- Rest frequency
- eideband
- Doppler correction
- Source velocity
- Quarter [for new receivers only]

Polarization [for new receivers only]  
 Narrow-band correlator input [for new receivers only]

Correlator information, for each subband (keyword SPECTRAL)  
 Logical name  
 Width (MHz)  
 Central IF (MHz)  
 Physical unit

Interferometer status, for each antenna (keyword INTERFERO)  
 Antenna number  
 Station

Pointing & Focus correction, for each antenna (keyword POINTING)  
 Azimuth correction  
 Elevation correction  
 Focus correction

Calibration information, for each antenna (keyword CALIBRATION)  
 Receiver temperature (K)  
 Image rejection (dB)  
 Water (mm)  
 System temperature (Tsys)

### 5.30.23 SET FREQUENCY

CLIC\SET FREQUENCY subband sideband name freq  
 CLIC\SET FREQUENCY ALL name freq

Select the line name and frequency to be used to define the velocity scale, for the given sub-band and sideband, by the commands MODIFY FREQUENCY and MODIFY DOPPLER.

subbands; 'sideband' must be either USB or LSB; 'name' is a (max. 12 character) mnemonic for the line name; 'freq' is the rest frequency in MHz. If the line name is '\*', then the default frequency entered prior to the observation will be used to compute the velocity scale for the corresponding subband.

"SET FREQUENCY ALL" will fill in the given frequency for all subbands.

### 5.30.24 SET GAIN IMAGE

CLIC\SET GAIN\_IMAGE value /ANTENNA i|ALL

Give the value of the relative gain for the receiver image side band, to be used by the command ATMOSPHERE. Use \* instead of the value to force the use of the numbers stored in the file.

### 5.30.25 SET GAIN\_METHOD

CLIC\SET GAIN\_METHOD OLD|NEW

Selects the method used to compute antenna-based gains from baselines-based measured quantities. Default is OLD (older but more robust method).

OLD method: 'gain' for a antenna  $i$  is computed from three baselines ( $G_i = G_{ij}G_{ik}/G_{jk}$ ). All possible "triangular ratios" including the antenna  $i$  are computed and averaged (for the phase, only triangles including the reference antenna are considered).

NEW method: 'ALMA' like method. Solves the linear system of equations (for the amplitudes, solves the logarithms).

### 5.30.26 SET GIBBS

CLIC\SET GIBBS number

Give the number of channels to be masked on each side of the central frequency, for the correlator subbands which are obtained by juxtaposition of both sidebands of a common local oscillator. Due to the Gibbs effect, a few channels are corrupted by a contribution of the image sideband of the first local oscillator, which may contain signal if the source has continuum emission. This is the case for the 320 MHz bands at the Plateau de Bure correlator, as well as the 160 and 80 MHz bands in some modes.

The GIBBS number is used by further PLOT and TABLE commands. The default is 0, which is relevant for line sources with no continuum emission.

### 5.30.27 SET HOUR\_ANGLE

CLIC\SET HOUR\_ANGLE begin end

FIND will select all observations with hour angles in the specified range (in hours). Default is \* \* (no selection by Hour Angle).



### 5.30.28 SET IC

CLIC\SET IC status

FIND will select observations according to the status of Instrumental (Phase+Amplitude) Calibration (IC). 'status' may be YES to select observations already calibrated, NO to select still uncalibrated observations, \* to disregard this selection criterion. This command is very seldom used.

### 5.30.29 SET LEVEL

CLIC\SET LEVEL number

Set the threshold severity level (0-8) for messages to be output on the terminal. The default value is 4.

With SET LEVEL 1, all messages will be displayed. With SET LEVEL 8, only key messages will be displayed (this is useful during pipeline processing).

### 5.30.30 SET LINE

CLIC\SET LINE name

FIND will select all observations according to the specified line name (not case sensitive). Default is \*. A syntax like NAM\* can be used to find observations with line names beginning by NAM.

### 5.30.31 SET MODE

CLIC\SET MODE FULL|LOWRES

SET MODE LOWRES sets CLIC in a mode where only low-resolution data are read. SET MODE FULL restores the "normal" mode. Work only for Polyfix data.

### 5.30.32 SET NARROW\_INPUT

CLIC\SET NARROW\_INPUT 0|1|2

\*\*\* THIS COMMAND IS OBSOLETE \*\*\*

Selects the narrow-band correlator input. The command is now obsolete.

Use SET BBANDS instead.

### 5.30.33 SET NUMBER

CLIC\SET NUMBER n1 n2

FIND will select all Observations with numbers between n1 and n2. Default is \* \*.

### 5.30.34 SET OBSERVED

CLIC\SET OBSERVED d1 d2

FIND will select all observations with observing dates between d1 and d2. Default is \* \*.

d1 and d2 are normally in explicit form (jj-mmm-yyyy) but internal day numbers are also accepted, i.e. something like SET OBSERVED 'DOBS-1' internal format and is available after the command VARIABLE GENERAL ON has been issued).

### 5.30.35 SET OFFSETS

CLIC\SET OFFSETS o1 o2

FIND will select all observations with offsets o1 and o2. Default is \* \*. This is very useful in case of mosaic observations, in order to select a specific field (and e.g. create a UV table). See also SET RANGE.

### 5.30.36 SET PHASE

CLIC\SET PHASE [ABSOLUTE|RELATIVE] [ANTENNA|BASELINE]  
[INTERNAL|EXTERNAL] [ATMOSPHERE|NOATMOSPHERE] [FILE|NOFILE]  
[WVR|NOWVR] [TOTAL|NOTOTAL]  
[DEGREES|RADIANS] [JUMPY|CONTINUOUS]

CLIC\SET PHASE ABSOLUTE|RELATIVE

This command decides whether the phase calibration is applied or not to the data for plotting and writing the final UV table, in subsequent PLOT and TABLE commands. ABSOLUTE means do not use the phase calibration determined by the SOLVE PHASE command, RELATIVE means apply it.

CLIC\SET PHASE INTERNAL|EXTERNAL

Switch between two modes of phase calibration.

INTERNAL is the standard mode. In EXTERNAL mode the calibration curve from another receiver may be used (as stored by STORE PHASE /RECEIVER r); on the top of this a second order calibration curve may be determined (using SOLVE PHASE) and stored as usual. This does not erase any INTERNAL calibration curve previously stored.

For example, using receiver 2:

SET PHASE INTERNAL RELATIVE: use the phase curve determined from Rec. 2 only

SET PHASE EXTERNAL ABSOLUTE: use the phase curve from Rec. 1 only, as stored with STORE PHASE /RECEIVER 1

SET PHASE EXTERNAL RELATIVE: use the phase curve from Rec 2, determined on top of the phase curve Rec. 1, by using SOLVE PHASE and STORE PHASE with SET PHASE EXTERNAL in effect.

SET PHASE INTERNAL is recommended for Receiver 1, SET PHASE EXTERNAL for Receiver 2.

#### CLIC\SET PHASE ANTENNA|BASELINE

Switch between Antenna-based and Baseline-based phase calibrations. This switch will be active for SOLVE PHASE (calibration curve determination), STORE PHASE (calibration curve storing operation), and SET PHASE RELATIVE (application). Both baseline-based and antenna-based calibration curves may be stored alongside in the data header, independently of each other. SET PHASE ANTENNA is recommended.

#### CLIC\SET PHASE ATMOSPHERE|NOATMOSPHERE

Force CLIC to use or not the real-time atmospheric phase correction. The atmospheric phase correction is based on monitoring the atmosphere water vapor emission using either the total power measured by the 1.3 mm receivers or the 22 GHz water vapor radiometers. It is applied in real-time to each dump before computing the scan-averaged quantities (spectra and continuum); these are further corrected for the average atmospheric phase, hence leading to phases essentially not modified, but to improved amplitudes (correction of the decorrelation). This phase-corrected scan-averaged dump will be used by CLIC after SET PHASE ATM has been issued.

The phase correction will NOT be used if it has been declared in-

valid for a given scan, using the command STORE CORRECTION, except if SET PHASE NOFILE is in effect. See these commands.

Note that the continuum 1 sec dumps are not corrected in real-time, and are therefore not affected by the SET PHASE ATM command. To avoid any confusion, SET PHASE ATM forces SET AVER SCAN.

#### CLIC\SET PHASE FILE|NOFILE

Turn ON or OFF the effect of the STORE CORRECTION command.

If SET PHASE ATMOSPHERE FILE, the information on the validity of the phase correction declared by STORE CORRECTION will be used, and the phase correction will thus be done only on scans validated by STORE CORRECTION.

If SET PHASE ATMOSPHERE NOFILE, this information will be bypassed, and the phase correction will be done for all scans.

#### CLIC\SET PHASE WVR|NOWVR

Switch ON or OFF the off-line atmospheric phase correction based on the WVR data. All data (individual as well as scan-averaged dumps) are affected. It is necessary to have run the WVR command before. SET PHASE WVR forces SET PHASE NOTOTAL.

#### CLIC\SET PHASE TOTAL|NOTOTAL

Switch ON or OFF the off-line atmospheric phase correction based on the 1.3 mm total power monitoring. All data (individual as well as scan-averaged dumps) are affected. It is necessary to have run the MONITOR command before. SET PHASE TOTAL forces SET PHASE NOWVR.

#### CLIC\SET PHASE DEGREE|RADIANS

Select the unit in which the phases are plotted.

#### CLIC\SET PHASE JUMPY|CONTINUOUS n

Selects the way phases are determined. With argument JUMPY no attempt is made to suppress  $2\pi$  jumps: the determination is always  $[-\pi, \pi]$ . With argument "CONTINUOUS n", the phase jumps are limited to  $\pm \pi$ , that is the phase is always chosen in the range  $[\text{previous}-\pi, \text{previous}+\pi]$ , n being the number of points averaged together to estimate the 'previous' phase (default is 1, higher values are to be used in noisy cases).

### 5.30.37 SET PLANET

```
CLIC\SET PLANET *|PRIMARY|FILE [filename]
```

Planet model to be used by the SOLVE FLUX command.

\* = default (elliptical disc)

PRIMARY = same with primary beam attenuation

FILE filename : use data in file filename (must be cubic splines).

### 5.30.38 SET PLOT

```
CLIC\SET PLOT LINE|POINTS|HISTOGRAM|BARS  
CLIC\SET PLOT PHYSICAL|LOGICAL HEADER|IPB
```

Selects the way the data are displayed. "type" stands for LINE, POINTS, HISTOGRAM, or BARS. With POINTS, the current GreG marker, as defined by the GREG\SET MARKER command, is used. With BARS (valid only for the visibility data, i.e. amplitude, phase, real, or imaginary), 1-sigma error bars are drawn.

Can also force plotting physical antenna with SET PLOT PHYSICAL (can be reverted with SET PLOT LOGICAL).

Normally, with SET PLOT IPB (default), CLIC looks for the data headers (stored in the IPB file) even if one plots parameters in the observation (which is contained also contained in the .hpb file). SET PLOT HEADER allows to bypass this check, but flags can be lost.

### 5.30.39 SET POLARIZATION

```
CLIC\SET POLARIZATION NO|HOR|VER|BOTH|EACH
```

Selects the polarization of the new receivers. HOR and VER refers to the two polarization channels (but the 'horizontal' or 'vertical' definition is arbitrary). BOTH means that both polarization must be used and averaged when applicable (eg time variation of the phase or amplitude). EACH will plot H and V polarization separately but at the same time (e.g. useful to SOLVE DELAY).

SET POLARIZATION NO makes CLIC forget anything about polarization. This is the mode to use to reduce data from the old receivers (<2007).

#### 5.30.40 SET EXCLUDE

CLIC\SET EXCLUDE proc1 [proc2 [...]]

FIND will exclude observations done under procedure(s) proc1, proc2, ... from the selection. Known procedures are: CORRELATION, AUTOCORR, GAIN, DELAY, FOCUS, POINTING, CALIBRATE, IFPB, ONOFF, HOLOGRAPHY, FIVE\_POINT, PSEUDO\_CONT, FLUX, STABILITY, CWVR, VLBI, VLBG, OTF, BANDPASS, SKYDIP.

SET EXCLUDE \* will clear the exclusion list.

At most 10 procedures are retained; extra arguments are ignored with a warning. The current exclusion list can be displayed with SHOW CRITERIA EXCLUDE.

#### 5.30.41 SET PROCEDURE

CLIC\SET PROCEDURE proc

FIND will select observations done under procedure 'proc'. Known procedures are: CORRELATION, AUTOCORR, GAIN, DELAY, FOCUS, POINTING, CALIBRATE, IFPB, ONOFF, HOLOGRAPHY, FIVE\_POINT, PSEUDO\_CONT, FLUX, STABILITY, CWVR, VLBI, VLBG, OTF, BANDPASS, SKYDIP.

SET PROCEDURE \* will disable procedure as a selection criterion.

#### 5.30.42 SET PROJECT

CLIC\SET PROJECT projId

FIND will select observations done for the observing project projId. SET PROJECT \* will disable project number as a selection criterion.

#### 5.30.43 SET QUALITY

CLIC\SET QUALITY Q

FIND will select only observations of quality better than Q (i.e. less than Q). When originally written, unless the real time acquisition system detected a severe problem, all observations have quality 0, a priori the best. The quality flag of an observation can be changed using the TAG command. See HELP TAG for the recommended quality scale.

#### 5.30.44 SET RANGE

CLIC\SET RANGE West East South North

FIND will select all observations with offsets in the specified range. Default is \* \* \* \*. See also SET OFFSET command.

#### 5.30.45 SET RECEIVER

CLIC\SET RECEIVER number

Use the receiver number as a selection criterion. With the OLD receiver system at Plateau de Bure (<2007), Receiver 1 is the 3 mm receiver, while Receiver 2 is the 1.3 mm receiver. With the NEW receiver system (>2007), 4 receiver bands are available:

- receiver band 1: 80-117 GHz (3mm band) -- AVAILABLE
- receiver band 2: 129-174 GHz (2mm band)
- receiver band 3: 200-257 GHz (1.3mm band) -- AVAILABLE
- receiver band 4: 277-371 GHz (1mm band)

The default is SET RECEIVER \* : observations with all receivers will be selected.

For OLD receiver data, SET RECEIVER 1 does automatically a SET PHASE INTERNAL, while SET RECEIVER 2 does SET PHASE EXTERNAL. See the SET PHASE command help. For NEW receiver data, SET PHASE INTERNAL is the default for all bands.

#### 5.30.46 SET RECORD

CLIC\SET RECORD list

Will force all further PLOT commands to use only the records as given in the list (e.g. r1 r2 r3 to r4 by r5 ...). Very seldom needed. Use SET RECORD 1 to 1000000 to reset it.

#### 5.30.47 SET REDUCED

CLIC\SET REDUCED d1 d2

FIND will select all observations with reduction dates between d1 and d2 (format jj-mmm-yyyy). Default is \* \*.

### 5.30.48 SET REFERENCE

CLIC\SET REFERENCE antenna\_number

Enter the logical number of the antenna used as reference for antenna-based calibrations (both RF passband and phase calibrations). The phase for this antenna is set to zero. Default is Antenna 1.

### 5.30.49 SET RF\_PASSBAND

CLIC\SET RF\_PASSBAND [ON|OFF] [CHANNEL|FREQUENCY|SPECTRUM]  
[FILE|MEMORY] [ANTENNA|BASELINE] [DOPPLER|NODOPPLER]

This command controls the behaviour of CLIC regarding the RF passband calibration.

SET RF\_PASSBAND ON|OFF

Switch ON or OFF the application of RF passband calibration curve in plotting the data. The RF passband calibration curve is computed by SOLVE RF\_PASSBAND and stored with the data by STORE RF\_PASSBAND. Subsequent PLOT commands will use or not this curve according to the status of SET RF\_PASSBAND ON|OFF.

SET RF\_PASSBAND CHANNEL|FREQUENCY

Use either the channel dependent passband curves or the frequency dependent passband curve. The channel-dependent passband curves must be determined separately for each subband, while the frequency-dependent passband curve is determined by using SOLVE RF\_PASSBAND on all subbands together (Note: this will not work for data taken before July 14th 1990). SET RF\_PASSBAND FREQUENCY is recommended.

SET RF\_PASSBAND MEMORY|FILE

Use either the passband curves just determined by SOLVE RF\_PASSBAND, and still present in the program memory, or the passband curves previously stored in the data headers of the input file by a command STORE RF\_PASSBAND.

SET RF\_PASSBAND ANTENNA|BASELINE

Switch between Antenna-based and Baseline-based RF passband calibrations. This switch will be active for SOLVE RF\_PASSBAND (passband determination), STORE RF\_PASSBAND (passband storing operation), and SET RF\_PASSBAND ON (fpassband application). Both baseline-based and antenna-based calibration curves may be stored alongside in the data



header, independently of each other. SET RF\_PASSBAND ANTENNA is recommended.

#### SET RF\_PASSBAND SPECTRUM

In the MEMORY mode, will look for a SPECTRUM solution in memory (obtained after a SOLVE RF /SPECTRUM command). In FILE mode, this will look for a scan stored in the hpb file. In several file are present they can be selected with SET RF FILE #i. Solutions can be listed with LIST /BANDPASS option.

#### SET RF\_PASSBAND DOPPLER|NODOPPLER

SET RF\_PASSBAND DOPPLER enables a shift of the RF SPECTRUM solution by the difference of LO1 frequency between the solution and the observation. SET RF\_PASSBAND NODOPPLER deactivates this option. This applies only to the SET RF\_PASSBAND FILE option.

### 5.30.50 SET SKIP

#### SET SKIP YES|NO

Controls behaviour of FIND command. If set to YES, FIND will skip auto-correlations that are stored together with cross-correlations, while keeping the genuine autocorrelations (e.g. AUTO, CAL).

### 5.30.51 SET SCAN

#### CLIC\SET SCAN s1 s2 [s3 s4 ...]

FIND will select all observations with Scan numbers between s1 and s2, or s3 and s4... The Scan number, attributed by the on-line acquisition system may be different from the Observation number which is used by CLIC to refer to the Observations. Default is \* \*.

### 5.30.52 SET SELECTION

#### CLIC\SET SELECTION mode band subband-list [FREQUENCY freqout] [/WINDOW fmin fmax [fmin2 fmax2 ...]]

Choose the type of data selection to be done by command TABLE (to create an output UV table).

- The first argument 'mode' is CONTINUUM or LINE, to prepare single

channel or multiple channel maps.

- The second argument is the sideband to be used: UPPER (or USB), LOWER (or LSB), AVERAGE (or DSB), AUTO or SSB. DSB may be used in conjunction with CONTINUUM: in this case, two separate visibility points are written, one for each sideband. DSB used in conjunction with LINE means that the side band will be selected to match the desired frequency range (as given in the command TABLE), thus allowing to mix in the same table data from USB and LSB, if different frequency setups have been used in different configurations. AUTO will determine for each narrow input whether the receiver tuning is DSB or SSB and accordingly select DSB (write a visibility for each sideband) or the signal sideband if SSB. SSB will write one visibility for the signal side band (automatically determined). This last two options are useful for continuum only. For LINE, they will just select the matching side band as does DSB.
- The third argument is a subband list. In CONTINUUM mode, subbands are averaged, in spectral mode they are combined to produce a single spectrum. The subband list is given with the same syntax as in the SET SUBBAND command, e.g. "n1 to n3" or "n1 to n3 and n5".

Example: SET SELECTION CONTINUUM USB C01 AND C03 AND C05 selects continuum data, USB, and the subbands C01, C03, and C05.

Arguments "FREQUENCY freqout" are used only for CONTINUUM tables. They define the frequency (in MHz) used for mapping purposes. U and V (for each side band in DSB mode) will be scaled to this frequency. This is intended to combine maps obtained in continuum at slightly different frequencies. The default for freqout is the actual observing frequency, or the frequency used for previous data if data is appended to a previously existing table by the TABLE command.

Option /WINDOW is used to avoid spectral lines when producing a continuum table from spectral correlator data. The first two rest frequencies (in MHz) give the first frequency window in which data is to be used, the next two give the second frequency window, etc....

### 5.30.53 SET SOURCE

CLIC\SET SOURCE name1 name2 ... namen

FIND will select all scans according to the specified source names (matching is not case-sensitive). Up to 10 source names can be given. Syntax like NAM\* can be used to find all observations with source name beginning by NAM. Default is \*.

**5.30.54 SET SORT**

```
CLIC\SET SORT RECEIVER|SCAN|NUM
```

The output of LIST and LIST /SHORT may be sorted primarily by receiver number or scan number or observation number. Use SET SORT to switch between the three modes. Default is RECEIVER mode.

**5.30.55 SET NOCHECK**

```
CLIC\SET NOCHECK item1 [item2 [...]]
```

Disable some consistency checks performed by commands TABLE and SG\_TABLE when appending new scans to an existing UV table. Items may be:

```
SOURCE POINTING PHASE EPOCH SCAN
```

This is equivalent to specifying TABLE /NOCHECK (or SG\_TABLE /NOCHECK) with the same items for all subsequent table writes.

This setting is potentially dangerous (it can create tables with inconsistent metadata). Use SET /DEFAULT to restore the default behaviour (all checks on).

**5.30.56 SET SPECTRUM**

```
CLIC\SET SPECTRUM ON|OFF
```

\*\*\* THIS COMMAND IS OBSOLETE \*\*\*

**5.30.57 SET STEP**

```
CLIC\SET STEP t_step
```

Select the time interval parameter to be used by the SOLVE PHASE and SOLVE AMPLITUDE command (time interval between knots of the cubic spline functions). Value is in hours (default 3 hours).

**5.30.58 SET STOKES**

```
CLIC\SET STOKES HH|VV|HV|VH|NONE CORRECTED|LEAKAGE|NATIVE
```

Select the Stokes parameter to be displayed.

SET STOKES LEAKAGE allows to correct for source's polarisation to derive

leakages. SET STOKES CORRECTED corrects for instrumental polarisation. SET STOKES NATIVE undoes any of the preceding

### 5.30.59 SET SUBBANDS

```
CLIC\SET SUBBANDS n1 n2 ... [/WINDOW f1 l1 f2 l2 ...]
CLIC\SET SUBBANDS LINE|CONT
CLIC\SET SUBBANDS ALL
CLIC\SET SUBBANDS EACH
CLIC\SET SUBBANDS HOR|VER
CLIC\SET SUBBANDS Q1|Q2|Q3|Q4
CLIC\SET SUBBANDS NBC1|NBC2
```

\*\*\* THIS COMMAND IS OBSOLETE \*\*\*

Selects the subbands for which data will be displayed by command PLOT. Valid codes are continuum subbands numbers (C01, C02, ... C08) or line subbands numbers (L01, L02, ... L08). These are logical numbers, so one should select e.g. L01 to L04 if four correlator units were used, independently from the physical units actually used. This is a classical trap, especially with the old receiver system (<2007): if e.g. units 1 to 5 were used on Receiver 1 and units 6 to 8 on Receiver 2, the corresponding subbands will be L01 to L05 for the Receiver 1 scan, and L01 to L03 for the Receiver 2 scan.

Subbands may be grouped by typing e.g. "SET SUBBANDS n1 to n2 and n3 n4". Here, two quantities will be plotted. The first one is either the average of subbands n1 to n2 and n3 (in time mode), or the concatenation of spectral data from subbands n1 to n2 and n3 (in spectral mode). The second quantity plotted is subband n4.

SET SUBBANDS LINE|CONT will switch all subbands to their line/continuum counterpart, e.g. L01 to L04 will be changed to C01 to C04 by SET SUBBANDS CONT. Done by SET X I\_F

A number of usefule shortenings are available:

- SET SUBBANDS ALL will automatically select all the subbands in the first scan of the current index, for each command accessing the data. The subbands are concatenated (equivalent to e.g. SET SUBBANDS L01 to L06).
- SET SUBBANDS EACH will automatically select all the subbands in the first scan of the current index, for each command accessing the data. The subband are NOT concatenated (equivalent to e.g. SET SUBBANDS L01 L02 L03 L04 L05 L06).

- SET SUBBANDS HOR|VER will automatically select (in the first scan of the current index) the subbands connected to the horizontal or vertical polarization channel (if any). The subbands are concatenated.
- SET SUBBANDS Q1|Q2|Q3|Q4 will automatically select (in the first scan of the current index) the subbands connected to the selected quarter (if any). The subbands are concatenated.
- SET SUBBANDS NBC1|NBC2 will automatically select (in the first scan of the current index) the subbands connected to the selected narrow-band correlator input (if any). The subbands are concatenated.

CLIC\SET SUBBANDS n1 n2 ... /WINDOW first1 last1 first2 last2 ...

The /WINDOW option select the first and last channels to be used for the LINE subbands. There should be one couple of parameter for each group of subbands.

In spectral mode, the window limits may be used to restrict the plot to a certain range, e.g.

SET SUBBANDS L01 TO L02 /WINDOW 10 64

will avoid plotting channels 1 to 9 of each of the two subbands L01 and L02 (which are here combined to a single spectrum). This may be useful to flag meaningless channels at the low-frequency and at the high frequency ends of each spectral correlator. Note: this is now done automatically, see SET DROP command.

In time mode, the window limits select the data to be integrated to compute a single point. For example

SET SUBBANDS L01 L02 /WINDOW 1 10 1 10 will plot data integrated from the first ten channels of the first line subband, as a first quantity, and data integrated from the first 10 channels of the second line subband, as a second quantity.

Note: if you want to use both continuum and line subbands, in the same plot page, you should include dummy arguments in the /WINDOW option for the continuum spectra:

SET SUBBANDS C01 to C10 L01 to L02 /WINDOW 0 0 2 64 (two arguments are needed for each resulting spectrum).

This command is now obsolete. Use SET SPW instead.

### 5.30.60 SET SPW

CLIC\SET SPW CLIC\SET SPW n1 n2 ... [/WINDOW f1 l1 f2 l2 ...]

[/NOSELECT]

CLIC\SET SPW LINE|CONT

CLIC\SET SPW ALL

Selects the spectral windows for which data will be displayed by command PLOT. Valid codes are continuum spw numbers (C001, C002, ... C008) or line spw numbers (L001, L002, ... L008). These are logical numbers, so one should select e.g. L01 to L04 if four correlator units were used, independently from the physical units actually used. This is a classical trap, especially with the old receiver system (<2007): if e.g. units 1 to 5 were used on Receiver 1 and units 6 to 8 on Receiver 2, the corresponding spw will be L01 to L05 for the Receiver 1 scan, and L01 to L03 for the Receiver 2 scan.

Spectral windows may be grouped by typing e.g. "SET SPW n1 to n2 and n3 n4". Here, two quantities will be plotted. The first one is either the average of spw n1 to n2 and n3 (in time mode), or the concatenation of spectral data from spw n1 to n2 and n3 (in spectral mode). The second quantity plotted is spw n4.

SET SPW LINE|CONT will switch all spw to their line/continuum counterpart, e.g. L01 to L04 will be changed to C01 to C04 by SET SPW CONT. Done by SET X I\_F

SET SPW n1 /NOSELECT will select spectral window n1 while keeping previous selection mode (i.e. BB or IF selection) which allows to select a high-spectral resolution spectral window for delay determination (that needs BB or IF selection). This will update the baseband or IF value if necessary.

A number of useful shortenings are available:

- SET SPW ALL will automatically select all the subbands in the first scan of the current index, for each command accessing the data. The subbands are concatenated (equivalent to e.g. SET SPW L01 to L06).

### 5.30.61 SET TELESCOPE

CLIC\SET TELESCOPE name

FIND will select all scans according to the specified telescope (i.e. interferometer configuration) name. Default is \*. Syntax like NAM\* can be used to find all observations with telescope name beginning by NAM.

### 5.30.62 SET TIME\_ORIGIN

CLIC\SET TIME\_ORIGIN \*|date

Specify the time origin for the abscissa in time plots. This is normally the day for which the first data is plotted, and time is displayed in hours since that day. This day is reset by using PLOT /RESET.

"SET TIME\_ORIGIN date" forces the time origin to the specified day (e.g. 01-AUG-2004). "SET TIME\_ORIGIN \*" resets the default (automatic) behaviour.

### 5.30.63 SET TOTAL\_POWER

CLIC\SET TOTAL\_POWER RAW|PHYSICAL

For new receivers, switch between total power as measured by the correlator (raw) in units of  $(\sigma/v)^2$  and "physical" temperature scale (in K).

### 5.30.64 SET TREC

CLIC\SET TREC value /ANTENNA i|ALL

Give the value of the receiver temperature, to be used by the command ATMOSPHERE. Use \* instead of the value to force the use of the numbers stored in the file.

### 5.30.65 SET TRIANGLE

CLIC\SET TRIANGLE t1 t2 ... PHYSICAL|LOGICAL

Selects the triangle products for which data will be displayed by command PLOT. Valid triangles are codes as e.g. "123" or "345". This command is exclusive with commands SET BASELINES and SET ANTENNAS.

This command will be effective only if the triangle products have been computed and stored in the data by commands SPECTRUM/TRIANGLE or COMPRESS/TRIANGLE. In that case the triangle products will have been averaged by these commands; since the phase of the triangle products are closure quantities, the amplitude of the average should not be affected by atmospheric decorrelation.

### 5.30.66 SET TYPE

CLIC\SET TYPE par

FIND will select observations of specified type 'par'. This may be OBJECT, PHASE (i.e. calibrators), or RF (i.e. RF passband calibrator; this is obsolete). Use argument "\*" to disable selection by source type.

#### 5.30.67 SET UV\_RANGE

CLIC\SET UV\_RANGE UVmin UVmax

This command will force all further PLOT commands to use only the points that are within this range in the UV plane, i.e. those for which  $UVmin < \sqrt{U^2 + V^2} < UVmax$ .

#### 5.30.68 SET VIRTUAL

CLIC\SET VIRTUAL

\*\*\* THIS COMMAND IS OBSOLETE \*\*\*

#### 5.30.69 SET WATER

CLIC\SET WATER value

Give the value of the water vapor content (in mm), to be used by the command ATMOSPHERE. Use \* instead of the value to force the use of the numbers stored in the file.

#### 5.30.70 SET WEIGHTS

CLIC\SET WEIGHTS [TSYS ON|OFF] [CALIBRATION ON|OFF]  
[BASELINE ON exponent|OFF]

Selects the way data weights are computed. These weights are used in particular by the command TABLE.

Weights are always proportional to observing time.

With TSYS ON, data is also weighted by  $1/TSYS^2$ , where TSYS is the equivalent system temperature (the geometrical mean of the system temperatures of both antennas, for a given baseline). With TSYS OFF, this factor is not applied.

With CALIBRATION ON, data is also weighted by  $1/CAL^2$ , where CAL is the



amplitude instrumental calibration factor (if any). If no amplitude instrumental calibration function is applied (absolute amplitude), this weighting should have no effect. With CALIBRATION OFF, weights are not affected by amplitude calibration.

With BASELINE ON exponent, data weights are additionally scaled by the projected baseline length in the UV plane according to  $(\sqrt{U^2+V^2}/15.)^{**exponent}$ . This can be used to give more or less weight to long projected baselines in subsequent fits. The exponent argument is mandatory when switching this mode on. With BASELINE OFF, this extra scaling is disabled. This option is not used by the TABLE command.

Default is TSYS ON, CALIBRATION ON and BASELINE OFF.

Use SHOW WEIGHTS to display the current settings.

### 5.30.71 SET X

```
CLIC\SET X param1 [param2 ...] [/LIMITS min1 max1 [min2 max2 ...]]
```

Choose the parameters to be plotted along X-axes by command PLOT.

Parameters valid in both TIME mode and SPECTRAL mode:

AMPLITUDE, PHASE, REAL, or IMAGINARY: referring to the visibility in the spectral window(s) or baseband(s) or IF(s), sideband(s), baseline(s) (or antenna(s)) selected by SET SPW, SET BBAND, SET IF, SET BANDS, SET BASELINES or SET ANTENNAS commands. Only correlation scans will be plotted, not autocorrelations.

AUTOCORR. : the autocorrelation power measured in the subband(s), antenna(s) selected by SET SPW (or SET BB) and SET ANTENNAS commands. Only autocorrelation scans will be plotted, (including calibration scans), not correlations.

Parameters valid in SPECTRAL mode only:

CHANNEL : channel number in the correlator (use only this one if Fourier Transform has not been made).

VELOCITY : normally with respect to LSR.

I\_FREQUENCY : the intermediate frequency in the data.

SKY\_FREQUENCY : the sky frequency. This should be the line rest frequency if the velocity is correct.

IF1 : the frequency in the first IF frequency

IF2 : the frequency in the second IF frequency

IF3 : the frequency in the third IF frequency

Parameters valid in TIME mode only:

U\_COORD, V\_COORD, RADIUS, ANGLE: referring to cartesian, or polar coordinates, in the (U,V) plane, of the baseline(s) selected by command SET BASELINES.

TIME: universal time (in hours, origin determined by the first plot made, may be reset by PLOT /RESET).

SCAN: the scan number

NUMBER: the observation number.

RECORD: the record number (1 to the number of plotted points).

HOURL\_ANGLE

DECLINATION

RMS\_PHASE: the r.m.s. of the phase of the average of the non-flagged subbands of the continuum correlator, in current phase units (degrees or radians). This r.m.s. phase is computed during the data compression.

RMS\_AMPLITUDE: the r.m.s. of the amplitude of the average of the non-flagged subbands of the continuum correlator, in current amplitude units (kelvins or janskys). This r.m.s. amplitude is computed during the data compression.

DELAY: as specified for specified baseline (differential, A1-A2 for baseline 12), or for the specified antenna(s).

LO\_RATE: as specified for specified baseline (differential, as DELAY), or for the specified antenna(s).

LO\_PHASE: as used for specified baseline (differential, as DELAY), or for the specified antenna(s).

LO1\_FREQ: LO1 frequency

LO1\_REF: LO1 ref frequency

CABLE\_PHASE: as measured for specified baseline (differential, as DELAY), or for the specified antenna(s).

CABLE\_ALTERNATE: idem for the unused reference

GAMME: the current range (1 or 2) of the cable phasemeter.

TOTAL\_POWER: the total power measured for the given antenna(s), as measured by the connected detectors.

TOT\_SCALE: scaling factor to go from cts to K for total power

DH\_ACTP[1-8]: the total power measured in the autocorrelation (NB correlator)

DH\_ANTTP: the total power measured in the warm IF cartridge

LAMBDA, BETA, or FOCUS: the scanning coordinates for pointing and focussing scans (arc seconds, or millimeters), for the specified antenna, or the moving antenna if the given baseline (if only one is moving).

AZ\_CORR: the azimuth collimation correction in arc seconds.

EL\_CORR: the elevation collimation correction in arc seconds.

FOC\_CORR: the Z focus correction in millimeters.

T00 ... T09 : general test parameters (in data headers)

T10 ... T29 : test parameters (antenna based) (in data headers)

TREC: receiver temperature for the given antenna(s).

TSYS : Equivalent system temperature for the given baseline (Geometrical mean of Tsys for both antennas), or for the given antenna(s).

PAMB, TAMB, HUMIDITY: measured atmospheric parameters.

WIND\_AVERAGE, WIND\_DIR\_AV, WIND\_TOP, WIND\_DIR\_TOP: The wind in m/s and the wind direction in degrees, for 5 min. averages and maxima..

QUALITY: The observation quality as set with commands TAG or CURSOR.

AZIMUTH, ELEVATION: Start azimuth and elevation for each scan.

AZ\_ERR, EL\_ERR: The tracking errors in arc seconds.

AZ\_PH, EL\_PH: The azimuth and elevation for each record (as used for phase tracking).

PARAL\_ANGLE: Parallax angle (angle between the vertical direction and the meridian plane)

WATER: Water content of atmosphere (as set by the programmer, or measured with given antenna).

ATM\_EMISSION: From the output of the atmospheric monitor (normally the 1.3mm receiver). This is the measured radiation temperature of the atmosphere, in Kelvins of Rayleigh-Jeans equivalent radiation temperature.

ATM\_POWER: This is the output of the atmospheric monitor (normally the 1.3mm receiver). It is the actual counts that appear on the monitors during observations.

ATM\_REFERENCE: The atmospheric emission used as a reference for the phase correction. This is computed by the command MONITOR. The phase correction will be proportional to the difference between the output of the atmospheric monitor and this reference value.

ATM\_PHASE: The computed atmospheric phase correction.

ATM\_UNCORRPH: The phase uncorrected from atmosphere.

ATM\_CORRPH: The phase corrected from atmosphere.

ATM\_VALIDITY: 0 or 1 whether the phase correction has been declared valid or not.

CAL\_PHASE: The phase instrumental calibration curve.

CAL\_AMPLI: The amplitude instrumental calibration curve.

AIR\_MASS: The number of air masses ( $1/\sin(\text{elev})$ )

GROUND\_EMIS: The ground emission in K (calibrated total power, with sky emission subtracted).

EMISSION: The total power detected in emission in K (ground + sky)

TDEWAR1, TDEWAR2, TDEWAR3: The temperatures in the 3-stage cryogenerators.

TCABIN, TCHOP, TCOLD: The temperatures of the receiver cabin, of the ambient load, and the equivalent temperature of the cold load.

WVRTAMB, WVRTPEL: The temperature of the water vapor radiometer (WVR) ambient load and peltier cooler.

WVRTCAL1, WVRTCAL2, WVRTCAL3 : The channel gains for the 3 frequency bands.

WVRREF1, WVRREF2, WVRREF3 : The average counts on reference observation

WVRAVER1, WVRAVER2, WVRAVER3 : The average counts on current observation

WVRAMB1, WVRAMB2, WVRAMB3 : The average counts on last ambient measurement

WVRTREC1, WVRTREC2, WVRTREC3 : The receiver temperatures

WVRFEFF1, WVRFEFF2, WVRFEFF3 : The coupling factors to sky

WVRMODE : The calibration mode

WVRH2O, WVRPATH : The precipitable water vapor and corresponding pathlength

WVRTSYS1, WVRTSYS2, WVRTSYS3 : The system temperatures

WVRDPATH1, WVRDPATH1, WVRDPATH3 : The Kelvin to water vapor pathlength (model)

WVRFPATH1, WVRFPATH2, WVRFPATH3 : The Kelvin to water vapor pathlength (empirical)

WVRLIQ1, WVRLIQ2, WVRLIQ3 : The Kelvin to liquid water emission

WVRDCLOUD1, WVRDCLOUD2, WVRDCLOUD3 : The Kelvin to liquid water pathlength (model)

WVRTATM : The temperature of atmosphere

WVRQUAL : The quality code

DH\_WVR1, DH\_WVR2, DH\_WVR3 : counts of each WVR channel  
 DH\_WVRSTAT : status word  
 WVR\_PHA\_M : The WVR phase value (model)  
 WVR\_PHA\_E : The WVR phase value (empirical)  
 WVR\_PHA\_C : The WVR phase value due to Cloud (Model)  
 tatm\_s, tatm\_i : The temperature of the atmosphere in the signal and  
 image band  
 REFC1, REFC2, REFC2: refraction coefficients.  
 REFRACTION: refraction correction.  
 ATTENUATION: attenuation in the warm IF cartridge  
 LILEVL[01\ -12]: tweak level (LSB for DSB correlator)  
 LILEVU[01\ -12]: tweak level (USB for DSB correlator)  
 TIM[01\ -04]: timing parameters  
 LASER\_LEVEL : optical power in the fiber optic Rx  
 HIQ\_ATTEN[1-2]: high-Q cable attenuation  
 WIDEX\_TEMP[1-4]: WIDEX unit temperatures  
 INCLIX, INCLIY: station inclination (/X,/Y)  
 INCLI\_TEMP: inclinometer temperature

The available parameters are the same as with the SET Y command. Default is SET X TIME.

The /LIMITS option is used to specify fixed limits, e.g.: "SET X TIME /LIMITS t1 t2" where t1 and t2 are the time limits to be used in this example. The codes "\*" and "=" may be used. "\*" means that the limits are automatically adjusted to the data, separately in each box; "=" means that common limits to all boxes are computed.

For time-like plots, the defaults are `"/LIMITS * * "`. For frequency-like plots, the defaults are `"/LIMITS = ="`.

### 5.30.72 SET Y

```
CLIC\SET Y param1 [param2 ...] [/LIMITS min1 max1 [min2 max2 ...]]
```

Choose the parameter to be plotted along Y-axes by command PLOT.

Parameters valid in both TIME mode and SPECTRAL mode:

AMPLITUDE, PHASE, REAL, or IMAGINARY: referring to the visibility in the spectral window(s) or baseband(s) or IF(s), sideband(s), baseline(s) (or antenna(s)) selected by SET SPW, SET BBAND, SET IF, SET BANDS, SET BASELINES or SET ANTENNAS commands. Only correlation scans will be plotted, not autocorrelations.

AUTOCORR. : the autocorrelation power measured in the subband(s), antenna(s) selected by SET SPW (or SET BB) and SET ANTENNAS commands. Only autocorrelation scans will be plotted, (including calibration scans), not correlations.

Parameters valid in SPECTRAL mode only:

CHANNEL : channel number in the correlator (use only this one if Fourier Transform has not been made).

VELOCITY : normally with respect to LSR.

I\_FREQUENCY : the intermediate frequency in the data.

SKY\_FREQUENCY : the sky frequency. This should be the line rest frequency if the velocity is correct.

IF1 : the frequency in the first IF frequency

IF2 : the frequency in the second IF frequency

IF3 : the frequency in the third IF frequency

Parameters valid in TIME mode only:

U\_COORD, V\_COORD, RADIUS, ANGLE: referring to cartesian, or polar coordinates, in the (U,V) plane, of the baseline(s) selected by command SET BASELINES.

TIME: universal time (in hours, origin determined by the first plot

made, may be reset by PLOT /RESET).

SCAN: the scan number

NUMBER: the observation number.

RECORD: the record number (1 to the number of plotted points).

HOURL\_ANGLE

DECLINATION

RMS\_PHASE: the r.m.s. of the phase of the average of the non-flagged subbands of the continuum correlator, in current phase units (degrees or radians). This r.m.s. phase is computed during the data compression.

RMS\_AMPLITUDE: the r.m.s. of the amplitude of the average of the non-flagged subbands of the continuum correlator, in current amplitude units (kelvins or janskys). This r.m.s. amplitude is computed during the data compression.

DELAY: as specified for specified baseline (differential, A1-A2 for baseline 12), or for the specified antenna(s).

LO\_RATE: as specified for specified baseline (differential, as DELAY), or for the specified antenna(s).

LO\_PHASE: as used for specified baseline (differential, as DELAY), or for the specified antenna(s).

LO1\_FREQ: LO1 frequency

LO1\_REF: LO1 ref frequency

CABLE\_PHASE: as measured for specified baseline (differential, as DELAY), or for the specified antenna(s).

CABLE\_ALTERNATE: idem for the unused reference

GAMME: the current range (1 or 2) of the cable phasemeter.

TOTAL\_POWER: the total power measured for the given antenna(s), as measured by the connected detectors.

TOT\_SCALE: scaling factor to go from cts to K for total power



DH\_ACTP[1-8]: the total power measured in the autocorrelation (NB correlator)

DH\_ANTTP: the total power measured in the warm IF cartridge

LAMBDA, BETA, or FOCUS: the scanning coordinates for pointing and focussing scans (arc seconds, or millimeters), for the specified antenna, or the moving antenna if the given baseline (if only one is moving).

AZ\_CORR: the azimuth collimation correction in arc seconds.

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FOC\_CORR: the Z focus correction in millimeters.

T00 ... T09 : general test parameters (in data headers)

T10 ... T29 : test parameters (antenna based) (in data headers)

TREC: receiver temperature for the given antenna(s).

TSYS : Equivalent system temperature for the given baseline (Geometrical mean of Tsys for both antennas), or for the given antenna(s).

PAMB, TAMB, HUMIDITY: measured atmospheric parameters.

WIND\_AVERAGE, WIND\_DIR\_AV, WIND\_TOP, WIND\_DIR\_TOP: The wind in m/s and the wind direction in degrees, for 5 min. averages and maxima..

QUALITY: The observation quality as set with commands TAG or CURSOR.

AZIMUTH, ELEVATION: Start azimuth and elevation for each scan.

AZ\_ERR, EL\_ERR: The tracking errors in arc seconds.

AZ\_PH, EL\_PH: The azimuth and elevation for each record (as used for phase tracking).

PARAL\_ANGLE: Parallax angle (angle between the vertical direction and the meridian plane)

WATER: Water content of atmosphere (as set by the programmer, or measured with given antenna).

ATM\_EMISSION: From the output of the atmospheric monitor (normally the

1.3mm receiver). This is the measured radiation temperature of the atmosphere, in Kelvins of Rayleigh-Jeans equivalent radiation temperature.

ATM\_POWER: This is the output of the atmospheric monitor (normally the 1.3mm receiver). It is the actual counts that appear on the monitors during observations.

ATM\_REFERENCE: The atmospheric emission used as a reference for the phase correction. This is computed by the command MONITOR. The phase correction will be proportional to the difference between the output of the atmospheric monitor and this reference value.

ATM\_PHASE: The computed atmospheric phase correction.

ATM\_UNCORRPH: The phase uncorrected from atmosphere.

ATM\_CORRPH: The phase corrected from atmosphere.

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CAL\_AMPLI: The amplitude instrumental calibration curve.

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WVRTAMB, WVRTPEL: The temperature of the water vapor radiometer (WVR) ambient load and peltier cooler.

WVRTCAL1, WVRTCAL2, WVRTCAL3 : The channel gains for the 3 frequency bands.

WVRREF1, WVRREF2, WVRREF3 : The average counts on reference observation

WVRAVER1, WVRAVER2, WVRAVER3 : The average counts on current observation

WVRAMB1, WVRAMB2, WVRAMB3 : The average counts on last ambient measurement

WVRTREC1, WVRTREC2, WVRTREC3 : The receiver temperatures

WVRFEFF1, WVRFEFF2, WVRFEFF3 : The coupling factors to sky

WVRMODE : The calibration mode

WVRH2O, WVRPATH : The precipitable water vapor and corresponding pathlength

WVRTSYS1, WVRTSYS2, WVRTSYS3 : The system temperatures

WVRDPATH1, WVRDPATH2, WVRDPATH3 : The Kelvin to water vapor pathlength (model)

WVRFPATH1, WVRFPATH2, WVRFPATH3 : The Kelvin to water vapor pathlength (empirical)

WVRLIQ1, WVRLIQ2, WVRLIQ3 : The Kelvin to liquid water emission

WVRDCLOUD1, WVRDCLOUD2, WVRDCLOUD3 : The Kelvin to liquid water pathlength (model)

WVRTATM : The temperature of atmosphere

WVRQUAL : The quality code

DH\_WVR1, DH\_WVR2, DH\_WVR3 : counts of each WVR channel

DH\_WVRSTAT : status word

WVR\_PHA\_M : The WVR phase value (model)

WVR\_PHA\_E : The WVR phase value (empirical)

WVR\_PHA\_C : The WVR phase value due to Cloud (Model)

tatm\_s, tatm\_i : The temperature of the atmosphere in the signal and image band

REFC1, REFC2, REFC2: refraction coefficients.

REFRACTION: refraction correction.

ATTENUATION: attenuation in the warm IF cartridge

LILEVL[01\ -12]: tweak level (LSB for DSB correlator)

LILEVU[01\ -12]: tweak level (USB for DSB correlator)

TIM[01\ -04]: timing parameters

LASER\_LEVEL : optical power in the fiber optic Rx

HIQ\_ATTEN[1-2]: high-Q cable attenuation

WIDEX\_TEMP[1-4]: WIDEX unit temperatures

INCLIX, INCLIY: station inclination (/X,/Y)

INCLI\_TEMP: inclinometer temperature

The available parameters are the same as with the SET Y command. Default is SET Y AMPLITUDE PHASE.

The /LIMITS option is used to specify fixed limits, e.g.: "SET Y AMPLITUDE /LIMITS a1 a2" where a1 and a2 are the amplitude limits to be used in this example. The codes "\*" and "=" may be used. "\*" means that the limits are automatically adjusted to the data, separately in each box; "=" means that common limits to all boxes are computed.

Default limits are provided for AMPLITUDE and PHASE only: 0 \* \* \* if SET PHASE CONTINUOUS is effective, 0 \* -180 180 if SET PHASE JUMPY DEGREE (with corresponding values if SET PHASE RADIANS).

### 5.31 SHOW

CLIC\SHOW Argument

Display the parameters defined by SET. Each "SET Argument" command has an equivalent "SHOW Argument".

In addition, "SHOW ALL" will display all parameters specified by SET. "SHOW CRITERIA" will display only selection criteria for the command FIND, "SHOW DISPLAY" will give only the parameters relevant to command

PLOT, and "SHOW GENERAL" will give the rest of the parameters.

## 5.32 SOLVE

CLIC\SOLVE Item

This is a command to determine interferometer parameters from measured data. SOLVE is processing the current index.

### 5.32.1 SOLVE AMPLITUDE

```
CLIC\SOLVE AMPLITUDE [/PLOT] [/BREAK kind time [kind time ...]  
[/POLYNOMIAL [degree]] [/WEIGHT] [/RESET]
```

This command fits a mathematical function into the measured amplitude of the sources in the current index (presumably calibrators). This data must have been selected and plotted in axes : SET X TIME and SET Y AMPLITUDE for the baselines and bands of interest, specified by the corresponding SET commands. The calibration function is kept in memory. Command STORE AMPLITUDE should be used next to store this function in the header of source observations, after a change in the index to select the appropriate scans.

SOLVE AMPLITUDE internally and temporarily resets SET AMPLITUDE to SCALED.

In antenna mode (selected by SET AMPLITUDE ANTENNA), the averaged phase and amplitude closures are computed, as well as their standard deviations. The phase closures should be close to zero, while the amplitude closures should be close to 100%. Strong deviations of amplitude closures from 100% are an indication of amplitude loss on long baselines, due to phase decorrelation during the time averaging. The fit then shows strong systematic errors; if this occurs, baseline based calibration of the amplitudes might be preferred.

Option /PLOT will plot the fitted curve over the data. Option /RESET will reset the calibration curve in memory.

Fitted curves may be of two kinds:

- Cubic splines (the default). By default knots are regularly spaced with an interval between knots set by the SET STEP command. Additional knots may be introduced with the option "/BREAK kind time [kind time ...]" which introduces a break at abscissa 'time'; 'kind' is an integer in the range 0-3; 0 means that a discontinuity will be present, 1 that the first derivative will be discontinuous,

and so on. Several breaks may be introduced. The program will detect an error if too many breaks are introduced, compared to the density of data points.

- Polynomial curves may be used instead. For this the option is: /POLYNOMIAL [degree] indicating the degree of the polynomial (default 0).

Normally the data points are all assigned the same weight for the fit. With option /WEIGHT, the data points are weighted according to their errors.

### 5.32.2 SOLVE BASELINE

```
CLIC\SOLVE BASELINE [/OFFSET b1 dx1 dy1 dz1 b2 ...]
[/SEARCH range interval] [/POLYNOMIAL degree] [/RESET] [/PLOT]
[/SIN]
```

This uses a linear method to determine baselines. The baselines to be determined must have been selected by the SET BASELINE command, and the data plotted; plot axes must have been previously selected by : SET X HOUR\_ANGLE DECLINATION and SET Y PHASE. With SET ANTENNA in action the antenna position offsets are directly fitted to the antenna phases, ensuring baseline closure.

The fitting should work only if the starting values are within half a wavelength in any direction of the true values. Use option /OFFSET to correct the phases for an offset (dx1,dy1,dz1) in baseline b1 before fitting. This is needed if the baseline was wrong by more than half a wavelength. Offsets are to be given in meters.

The results are given as offsets in meters to be added to the baseline used for data acquisition (which may be read by SIC\EXAMINE BASELINE). The total fitted baseline is also given in meters, as well as the rms of the residuals in phase units. Two sets of offsets are given: the first set (dx, dy, dz) are the offsets with respect to the antenna positions actually used, while the second set (DX, DY, DZ) are with respect to the standard antenna coordinates (the default values in OBS).

The /SEARCH option enables an automatic search with starting offsets scanning a 3-d box in dx, dy, dz, by steps of half a wavelength in the three directions. The arguments range and interval are in meters (scanning is from -range/2 to +range/2, default -0.005 to 0.005). Only the solution with the minimum rms is kept.

With option /POLYNOMIAL degree, and if SET X TIME is used in ad-

dition of HOUR\_ANGLE and DECLINATION, a polynomial function of time is included in the phase function being fitted. The degree may range from 0 (the default) to 3. In that case command RESIDUALS will also plot the residuals as a function of time.

The /RESET option resets the solutions in memory.

The /PLOT option allows to plot the data used for fitting.

Use command RESIDUALS BASELINE to display the fit residuals (phase should be constant). Use later command PRINT BASELINE to create a procedure file (named CLIC-BASELINE.OBS) containing the antenna position offsets. This procedure file may be executed by the observing program OBS on the control computer bure01.

If one specify elevation as an additional X variable (e.g. SET X HOUR\_ANGLE DECLINATION TIME ELEVATION), then an additional parameter is fitted: the offsets between elevation and azimuth axes (or rather the differences between antennas). These differing offsets result in a phase effect proportional to the cosine of elevation. In antenna mode, these offsets are given for each antenna in meters. In baseline mode, only differences are computed. To further correct for this effect use the command MODIFY AXES. One can optionnaly fit a sinus instead of a cosinus in this specific case using option /SIN.

### 5.32.3 SOLVE DELAY

CLIC\SOLVE DELAY [/SEARCH range interval] [/PLOT] [/PRINT]

This uses a linear method to determine delays. The baselines to be determined must have been selected by the SET BASELINE (or SET ANTENNA) command, and the data plotted; plot axes must have been previously selected by :SET X I\_FREQUENCY and SET Y PHASE.

The /SEARCH option enables an automatic search with starting offsets from  $-\text{range}/2$  to  $+\text{range}/2$  by steps of given interval. The default range is 200 nanoseconds, with interval of 1 nanosecond.

With SET ANTENNA in action the antenna delays are directly fitted to the antenna phases, ensuring delay closure.

The results are given in nanoseconds. Use option /PRINT or command PRINT DELAY to create a procedure file (INTER\_OBS:cllic-delay.obs) containing the fitted antenna delays. This procedure file may be executed by the observing program OBS on the control computer bure01.

With option /PLOT, the fitted phases will be plotted over the data. One needs to select an IF or a baseband beforehand (set SET IF or SET BB).

#### 5.32.4 SOLVE FLUX

CLIC\SOLVE FLUX [NOREFERENCE] [BEST n] [REAL] [/RESET] [/OUTPUT file]

Calculate the fluxes of the sources in the current index or the antenna efficiencies (Jansky to Kelvin) if the source flux is known. The command can also be used to bootstrap source fluxes from a known source.

It should be used before computing any amplitude calibration, on an index covering a reasonably short time interval to avoid possible efficiency variations.

The commands should be used in the following way:

- The command SET FLUX is used to define the flux of one, or several of the sources in the current index for which the flux is known. Frequencies and dates may be specified.
- Then the command SOLVE FLUX will use the sources of known flux (optionally with matching frequencies and dates) to determine the efficiencies for all antennas. SOLVE FLUX now gives the decorrelation factor relative to the efficiencies logged in the scan headers (assumed to be the standard single-dish efficiencies).
- SOLVE FLUX then uses these antenna efficiencies to compute the fluxes of all other sources. IF the keyword "BEST n" is present, the n antennas giving the highest fluxes will be used for averaging (n is 1 to the number of available antennas). Default is n=3.
- The command SHOW FLUX will give the current flux list. The reference sources are listed with a "FIXED" keyword, while the fluxes determined by SOLVE FLUX are listed as "FREE".
- SOLVE FLUX /RESET can be used to reset the flux list (i.e. remove from the list all sources whose flux is not fixed) before processing.
- SOLVE FLUX /OUTPUT file [NEW] will produce an output file with the results printed for each antenna. Use keyword NEW to open a new file.
- The command PRINT FLUX will create a procedure that may be used later to reload these fluxes in CLIC, if needed.



- The command STORE FLUX will store the fluxes and efficiencies in the headers of the observations in the current index.

If no reference sources are available, the keyword NOREFERENCE should be given, and the default efficiencies stored in the data header will be used (step 2 in the above list is bypassed).

The keyword REAL forces SOLVE FLUX to use the real part of the visibilities instead of the amplitude to derive the antenna efficiencies and source fluxes. This is only for test purposes and must not be used without asking an expert.

### 5.32.5 SOLVE SPIDX

CLIC\SOLVE SPIDX [NOREFERENCE] [BEST n] [REAL] [/RESET] [/OUTPUT file]

Calculate the spectral indexes of the sources in the current index or the antenna efficiencies (Jansky to Kelvin) if the source spectral index is known. The command can also be used to bootstrap source spectral indexes from a known source.

It should be used before computing any amplitude calibration, on an index covering a reasonably short time interval to avoid possible efficiency variations.

The commands should be used in the following way:

- The command SET SPIDX is used to define the spectral index of one, or several of the sources in the current index for which the spectral index is known. Frequencies and dates may be specified.
- Then the command SOLVE SPIDX will use the sources of known spectral index (optionally with matching frequencies and dates) to determine the efficiencies for all antennas. SOLVE SPIDX now gives the decorrelation factor relative to the efficiencies logged in the scan headers (assumed to be the standard single-dish efficiencies).
- SOLVE SPIDX then uses these antenna efficiencies to compute the spectral indexes of all other sources. IF the keyword "BEST n" is present, the n antennas giving the highest fluxes will be used for averaging (n is 1 to the number of available antennas). Default is n=3.
- The command SHOW SPIDX will give the current spectral index list. The reference sources are listed with a "FIXED" keyword, while the

spectral indexes determined by SOLVE SPIDX are listed as "FREE".

- SOLVE SPIDX /RESET can be used to reset the spectral index list (i.e. remove from the list all sources whose spectral index is not fixed) before processing.
- SOLVE SPIDX /OUTPUT file [NEW] will produce an output file with the results printed for each antenna. Use keyword NEW to open a new file.
- The command STORE SPIDX will store the spectral indexes and efficiencies in the headers of the observations in the current index.

If no reference sources are available, the keyword NOREFERENCE should be given, and the default efficiencies stored in the data header will be used (step 2 in the above list is bypassed).

The keyword REAL forces SOLVE SPIDX to use the real part of the visibilities instead of the amplitude to derive the antenna efficiencies and source spectral indexes. This is only for test purposes and must not be used without asking an expert.

### 5.32.6 SOLVE FIVE

```
CLIC\SOLVE FIVE [beam] [/PLOT] [/PRINT]
[/OUTPUT filename [NEW|APPEND] [FLUX] [TPOINT]]
```

Find pointing corrections from FIVE point scans. All five-point scans in the current index are processed by a gaussian fit. Its width can be fixed if the argument 'beam' is given (in arcsec). All continuum subbands and both side bands are averaged. The fits may be displayed with option /PLOT.

The presence of option /PRINT produces a procedure file (INTER\_OBS:pointing.obs), to be used in OBS for introducing the fitted pointing offset.

The results may also be written on an output ASCII file if /OUTPUT is given. The file is given extension .lis by default; a new file is opened except if APPEND is given as a second argument of option /OUTPUT. The file is by default in a format suitable for the determination of a pointing model (program POINT at BURE). The presence of optional argument FLUX changes the output format for the determination of relative fluxes (by ASTRO). With argument TPOINT, the output is written in a format suitable for processing by the TPOINT program.

### 5.32.7 SOLVE FOCUS

```
CLIC\SOLVE FOCUS [/PLOT] [/COMPRESS time_max] [/PRINT]
[/OUTPUT filename [NEW][OLD]] [/TOTAL] [/FIX par1 [value] ...]
```

Find focus corrections from a FOCUS scan using a parabolic fit. All focus scans in the current index are processed. SET AVERAGE METHOD SCALAR is recommended. The fits may be displayed with option /PLOT.

The option /COMPRESS may be used to average data in a given time interval before processing, to improve the signal-to-noise ratio. Default is 5 seconds.

The presence of option /PRINT produces a procedure file (INTER\_OBS:focus.obs), to be used in OBS for introducing the fitted focus offset. With option /OUTPUT, results of the fit, together with elevation and azimuth, are written in an output ASCII file, for further examination.

With option /TOTAL, SOLVE FOCUS uses the total power to solve for axial focus errors. In that case, option /FIX may be used to fix one parameter. Possible parameters are:

```
FOCUS: the axial focus error (mm)
PEAK: the peak amplitude, in total power units
WIDTH: the HPW of focus curve (mm)
ZERO: the off-source zero level, in total power units
```

With /TOTAL, /COMPRESS does the ON-OFF combination if in beam switching mode. In that case ZERO is preferably fixed to zero (e.g. SOLVE FOCUS /TOTAL /COMPRESS /PLOT /FIX ZERO 0).

### 5.32.8 SOLVE GAIN

```
CLIC\SOLVE GAIN [SCAN] [/PRINT] [/OFFSET]
```

Compute the receiver gain ratio (Image Side Band over Signal Side Band) from correlation data on a continuum source. Compute also the L01 and L03 phases that should be used in real time to have zero phases in both side bands (DSB receiver up to 2006), or the relative phases between basebands (SSB dual-polarisation receivers).

The data from all the scans in the current index are averaged except if optional argument SCAN is given, in which case the gain ratios are computed for each scan.

Option /PRINT produces a procedure INTER\_OBS:gain.obs to set the gains (and phases) in OBS.

Option /OFFSET allow to only compute the phases, not the gain ratio.

### 5.32.9 SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY

```
CLIC\SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY [NPOINTS npix]
[FREE [RINGS r1 r2] [SECTOR s1 s2]]
[MODES nmodes]
[ITER niter gain]
[MASK npanels p1 p2 p3 ...]
[BASELINES b1 b2 b3 ... ]
[POINTING x1 y1]
[REFERENCE a1]
[DISTANCE dist]
[DIAMETER diam]
[DEFOCUS df]
[TAPER t]
[FOCUS df]
[TYPE ASDM|VERTEX|AEC|MELCO12_1|MELCO12_2|MELCO12_3|BURE|IRAM30]
[TEST testFile]
[FRESNEL]
[NOFOCUS]
[NOXYFOCUS]
[ASTIGMATISM [ANGLE astangle]]
[APODIZE]
[NOFEED]
[BEAM SIGNAL|REFERENCE]
[RIGGING e1 e2]
[TEMP_BIAS t]
[FIXSPACING s]
[/PLOT [AMP amin amax astep] [PHA pmin pmax pstep]
[ERRORS emin emax estep] [NUMBER]]
[/OFFSET x y z]
[/THRESHOLD microns [nsigma]]
```

This command computes an antenna surface map from a set of holography measurements. The set of scans (procedure HOLO) should have first been calibrated in phase, amplitude and RF passband relative to interspaced correlation scans in the direction of the source. The map will be computed from the first band and subband sets chosen with commands SET BAND and SET SUBBAND. SET BAND AVERAGE is recommended for continuum measurements; only continuum subbands should be used. For line measurements, the continuum width of one of the correlator units should match the actual line width for better sensitivity. The antenna to be studied should be selected by command SET ANTENNA i. Data from the baselines linking this antenna (scanned) to other (fixed) available antennas are

averaged.

#### SOLVING FOR ANTENNA PARAMETERS

The amplitude and phase maps are obtained by FFT of the observed beam map. The maps will be square (npix by npix pixels). The default for npix is 64, it should be greater than the number of observed holography scans (usually 16 or 32).

After FFT a gaussian illumination function is fitted in the amplitudes, giving the offset from the center (in meters) and the edge taper (in dB). If /PLOT is given, the amplitude map will be displayed (in decibels), from -15 to 0 dB, with contours in steps of 3db (these may be changed using "/PLOT AMP amin, amax and astep").

A least square fit is used to correct the phases from a remaining phase offset, pointing errors, and focus offsets. The panel rings following the keyword FREE are not used for this fit. If /PLOT is given, the antenna normal surface errors will be shown, in micrometers, from -500 to 500  $\mu\text{m}$ , with contours in steps of 100  $\mu\text{m}$  (these may be changed using "/PLOT ERRORS emin, emax and estep"). If /PLOT PHASE is given, the residual phase map will be plotted instead of surface errors, in radians from  $-\pi$  to  $\pi$ , with contours in steps of 0.2 radian. If this map shows remaining  $2\pi$  discontinuities, or if focus offsets larger than 1mm are found, you should try using option /OFFSET to correct the phases for an offset (x,y,z in meters) in the focus coordinates, before fitting. This should lead to better rms values.

The rms values for the phase and the normal surface errors (in radians and micrometers) are given, both with and without amplitude weighting. The contribution of the illumination amplitude distribution and of the observed phase errors to the antenna efficiency are given.

A gildas image file of the results is kept (e.g. "jj-*mmm*-yyyy-an1.map"), in which plane 3 is the amplitude in dB, plane 4 the raw phases and plane 2 the residual phase in radians (plane 1 contains the fitted amplitude, i.e. a Gaussian).

#### SOLVING FOR PANEL DISPLACEMENTS

Finally, if "PLOT MODE nmodes" is entered with nmodes larger than 0, a listing of panels displacements is computed. This uses the parameter nmodes which is the number of modes used for each panel: 1 is the translation mode only (normal to the antenna surface); 3 (the usual setting) adds both tilt modes, radial and tangential, but no panel deformation; 4

adds a torsion mode and 5 a motion of the panel center relative to its edges (there are only 5 screws for each panel, thus only 5 possible modes).

The results of this computation is written in a file "panels-an1.dat" (or similar name for other antennas). In this file, a line for each panel is printed. The first two numbers are the panel numbers, followed by up to five screw settings (three only for the inner ring). All screw settings are equal if nmodes was set to 1, only one number is then printed.

The fit is obtained iteratively: the panel orthogonal deformation modes are computed from the aperture phase, then the phase change that these deformations would have caused is computed (by doing a FFT to the beam map, doing a cut-off at the observed map size, followed by a FFT back to the aperture plane), and subtracted from the aperture phase; second order panel deformations are computed from these residuals, and so on. The number of iterations niter and a gain to this iterative procedure may be specified (ITER niter gain); their default values are 5 and 1.0. Use ITER 0 for no iterative procedure at all. At each step the phase residual rms and the rms of panel deformations fitted are given (weighted by the fitted amplitude illumination and counted perpendicularly to the surface).

Variables containing antenna parameters are available:

- TAPER\_X, TAPER\_Y: illumination tapers.
- OFFSET\_X, OFFSET\_Y: illumination offsets.
- RMS\_PHA\_U, RMS\_PHA\_W: phase r.m.s (unweighed or weighted by illumination).
- ETA, ETA\_230, ETA\_345: aperture efficiency at observing frequency, 230 and 345 GHz.
- ETA\_I, ETA\_S: illumination and feed taper efficiency.
- RUZE, RUZE\_230, RUZE\_345: ruze factor at observing frequency, 230 and 345 GHz
- JYKEL, JYKEL\_230, JYKEL\_345: antenna efficiency at observing frequency, 230 and 345 GHz.
- HOLO\_FOCUS: focus position.
- HOLO\_RMS: surface r.m.s. (unweighted or weighted by illumination).
- HOLO\_RING: rings r.m.s

SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY options

SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY NPOINTS npix

Gives the number of pixels of the amplitude and phase maps. Default is 64.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY MODE nmodes**

Force CLIC to compute the panel displacements (see above). nmodes is 1 to 5.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY ITER niter gain**

Select the number of iteration and gain to be used for the panel displacement determination (see above). Does make sense only if used in conjunction with the MODES keyword.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY BASELINES b1 b2 b3 ...**

By default, all baselines connecting the antenna to be studied (selected by SET ANTENNA) to a fixed antenna are used. The keyword BASELINES allows to specifically select the baselines to be used.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY MASK npanels p1 p2 p3 ...**

Allows to mask some panels.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY REFERENCE a1**

Allow to select a reference baseline (ALMA specific)

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY FREE [RINGS r1 r2] [SECTOR s1 s2]**

With keyword RINGS, indicates the ring NOT to be used for paraboloid fit. With keyword SECTORS, indicates the sectors NOT to be used for paraboloid fit.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY ASTIGMATISM [ANGLE astAngle]**

Options for fitting. With keyword ANGLE, SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY ASTIGMATISM uses a forced astAngle (in degrees) for astigmatism orientation and fits only astigmatism r.m.s.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY NOFOCUS NOXYFOCUS**

Options for fitting. With keyword NOFOCUS, no attempt is made to fit the focus. With keyword NOXYFOCUS, only the z component of focus is fitted.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY FOCUS f**

Allows to specify value of focus (in m).

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY POINTING p1 p2**

Allow to add pointing corrections in case the coordinates stored in the data file are wrong.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY DEFOCUS df**

Allow to introduce known defocus (useful for near-field measurements).

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY TAPER t**

Allow to set the value of the illumination taper at the edge of the primary (power).

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY DIAMETER d**

Sets antenna diameter to d.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY TEST testFile**

Use a test beam file instead of real data from the CLIC data file (must be a gdf .beam file).

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY DISTANCE dist**

Gives distance of the source, in meters. Not relevant for astronomical sources, of course. Any distance larger than 1000 km (which is the default) forces the FRESNEL approximation.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY FRESNEL**

Use Fresnel approximation (use only the Fourier transform, neglect the additional terms in the complex exponential argument). This is the default mode for long distance (e.g. astronomical) sources, but must be indicated if a DISTANCE has been entered.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY TYPE BURE|IRAM30**

Allow to force an antenna type.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY APODIZE**

Do an apodization of the beam map (quadratic, down to zero on map edges).



**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY BEAM REFERENCE**

Allows to do just the gridding of a reference beam (exits before FFT). This is useful for special holography receivers that have a signal and reference beam.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY /OFFSET x y z**

Introduce a focus offset (in m) around which the solution will be searched.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY /TRESHOLD microns [nsigmas]**

Use a cutoff threshold in absolute value of displacement and/or number of sigmas for listing screws in panel adjustments. If only one value is given, this is the threshold in microns. For a threshold only in sigmas, use /THRESHOLD 0.0 nsigmas. Default is 0.0, 0.0.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY RIGGING [e1 e2]**

Correct for gravitational deformations from the average of the two elevations e1 and e2 (default 20 and 90 degrees).

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY TEMP\_BIAS t**

Correct for the thermal deformations between ambient temperature and bias temperature t.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY FIXSPACING s**

Set the spacing used for gridding.

**SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY /PLOT [AMP amin amax astep] [PHA pmin pmax pstep] [ERRORS emin emax estep] [NUMBER]**

With /PLOT, SOLVE HOLOGRAPHY will plot the results: two maps are displayed, which by default are the amplitude illumination pattern (default plot limits are -15dB to 0dB by step of 3dB) and the antenna normal surface errors (from -500 to 500  $\mu\text{m}$ , with contours in steps of 100  $\mu\text{m}$ ). The min., max., and steps can be changed with "/PLOT AMP amin amax astep" and "/PLOT ERRORS emin emax estep". With "/PLOT PHASE", the phase residuals are plotted instead of the surface errors. Default are from  $-\pi$  to  $+\pi$  by step of 0.2 radians.

If NUMBER is given as a /PLOT argument, the panels numbers are drawn.

## 5.32.10 SOLVE PHASE

```
CLIC\SOLVE PHASE [/PLOT] [/BREAK kind time [kind time ...]]
[/POLYNOMIAL degree] [/WEIGHT] [/RESET]
```

This will fit a mathematical function into the measured phases of the sources in the current index (presumably calibrators). This data must have been selected and plotted in axes : SET X TIME and SET Y PHASE for the baselines and bands of interest, specified by the corresponding SET commands. Phases should be continuous (SET PHASE CONTINUOUS). The calibration function is kept in memory. Command STORE should be used next to store this function in the header of source observations, after a change in the index to select the appropriate scans.

SOLVE PHASE internally and temporarily resets SET PHASE to ABSOLUTE. The INTERNAL|EXTERNAL mode is kept to allow determining a phase curve on top of an external receiver reference.

In antenna mode (selected by SET PHASE ANTENNA), the averaged phase and amplitude closures are computed, as well as their standard deviations. The phase closures should be close to zero, while the amplitude closures should be close to 100%.

Option /PLOT will plot the fitted curve over the data. Option /RESET will reset the calibration curve in memory.

Fitted curves may be of two kinds:

- Cubic splines (the default). By default knots are regularly spaced with an interval between knots set by the SET STEP command. Additional knots may be introduced with the option "/BREAK kind time [kind time ...]" which introduces a break at abscissa 'time'; 'kind' is an integer in the range 0-3; 0 means that a discontinuity will be present, 1 that the first derivative will be discontinuous, and so on. Several breaks may be introduced. The program will detect an error if too many breaks are introduced, compared to the density of data points.
- Polynomial curves may be used instead. For this the option is: /POLYNOMIAL [degree] indicating the degree of the polynomial (default 0).

Normally the data points are all assigned the same weight for the fit. With option /WEIGHT, the data points are weighted according to their errors.

## 5.32.11 SOLVE POINTING

```
CLIC\SOLVE POINTING [beam] [/PLOT] [/COMPRESS [time_max]] [/PRINT]
[/OUTPUT filename [NEW|APPEND] [FLUX] [TPOINT]]
[/TOTAL] [/FIX param1 [value1] param2 [value2] ... ]
```

Find pointing corrections from POINTING scans. All pointing scans in the current index are processed by a gaussian fit. Its width can be fixed if the argument 'beam' is given (in arcsec). All continuum subbands and both side bands are averaged. SET AVERAGE METHOD SCALAR is recommended. The fits may be displayed with option /PLOT.

The option /COMPRESS may be used to average data in a given time interval before processing, to improve the signal-to-noise ratio. Default is 4 seconds.

The presence of option /PRINT produces a procedure file (INTER\_OBS:pointing.obs), to be used in OBS for introducing the fitted pointing offset.

The results may also be written on an output ASCII file if /OUTPUT is given. The file is given extension .lis by default; a new file is opened except if APPEND is given as a second argument of option /OUTPUT. The file is by default in a format suitable for the determination of a pointing model (program POINT at BURE). The presence of optional argument FLUX changes the output format for the determination of relative fluxes (by ASTRO). With argument TPOINT, the output is written in a format suitable for processing by the TPOINT program.

With option /TOTAL, SOLVE POINTING uses the total power to solve for pointing errors. In that case, option /FIX may be used to fix one parameter. Possible parameters are:

```
AZ: the azimuth collimation error (arc sec.)
EL: the elevation collimation error (arc sec.)
PEAK: the peak amplitude, in total power units
WIDTH: the HPBW (arc sec.)
ZERO: the off-source zero level, in total power units
```

With /TOTAL, /COMPRESS does the ON-OFF combination if in beam switching mode. In that case ZERO is preferably fixed to zero (e.g. SOLVE POINTING /TOTAL /COMPRESS /PLOT /FIX ZERO 0).

## 5.32.12 SOLVE RF\_PASSBAND

```
CLIC\SOLVE RF_PASSBAND [da] [dp] [/PLOT] [/SPECTRUM] [/RESET]
CLIC\SOLVE RF_PASSBAND [/IGNORE a1 a2 ...] [/CROSSED]
```

Solve for passband calibration curves, by fitting it to the amplitudes and phases. The current index should contain calibration observations of strong continuum sources (RF passband calibrator). The behaviour of this command depends on the current mode of RF passband calibration (Frequency, Channel -- deprecated, or Spectrum). A baseband should have been selected beforehand (see SET BBAND).

- For frequency-dependent RF passband calibration (SET RF\_PASSBAND FREQUENCY, recommended): the resolution is normally done using all the spectral subbands plotted together, as a function of intermediate frequency. It should be done separately for each baseband and sideband (if applicable). A single frequency-dependent polynomial is fitted, a high degree might be necessary for the phase, if band edges are used (up to 50 is feasible).
- For channel dependent RF passband calibration (SET RF\_PASSBAND CHANNEL)
  - (i) For continuum, the data itself is directly stored as calibration values (this gives a channel-dependent passband curve). In addition a polynomial is fitted and optionally plotted (this gives a frequency-dependent passband curve).
  - (ii) For spectral subbands, polynomials are fitted and optionally plotted, as a channel-dependent passband curve.

The degrees for polynomials are 'da' for amplitude, 'dp' for phase (defaults 0 and 1). Command STORE should be used next to store the fitted function in the header of source observations. Both channel dependent and frequency dependent curves can be stored; Use command SET RF\_PASSBAND FREQUENCY|CHANNEL to apply one or the other.

Option /SPECTRUM supersedes any polynomial given and does use the data points plotted to derive a bandpass solution. It will factorize the gains per antenna if SET RF ANTENNA is selected. The bandpass solution will then be computed by linear interpolation of these data points.

Option /PLOT will plot the polynomial fits over the data. Option /RESET will reset polynoms in memory.

Option /IGNORE works only in ANTENNA mode. Antennas selected after option will be ignored in the factorization. This is useful for basebands of the narrow-correlator when more than 6 antennas were used (with WIDEX).

Option /CROSSED allows to store the RF solution in another memory slot,

which is used in the case of STORE RF /POLARISATION (see associated HELP).

### 5.32.13 SOLVE SKYDIP

```
CLIC\SOLVE SKYDIP [TREC|EFF] [/PLOT]
```

Compute receiver temperature TREC or antenna forward efficiency EFF from skydip scan. Default is EFF. All skydip scans in the current index are solved. A graphic display of the solution can be plotted using the /PLOT option. "SET Y TOTAL" must have been entered before solving the skydip, to force the software to use the total power measurements (otherwise, autocorrelations will be used). One should select a baseband first (see SET BBAND).

The resulting receiver temperatures and forward efficiencies are available in the variables T\_REC and FORWARD\_EFF, providing the command "VARIABLE ATMOSPHERE ON" has been issued.

### 5.32.14 SOLVE TOTAL

```
CLIC\SOLVE TOTAL [beam] [/PLOT] [/COMPRESS time_max] [/PRINT]
[/OUTPUT filename [NEW|APPEND] [FLUX] [TPOINT]]
```

Find pointing corrections from POINTING scans, but using the total power from each antenna. All pointing scans in the current index are processed by a gaussian fit. The fits may be displayed with option /PLOT.

The option /COMPRESS may be used to average data in a given time interval before processing, to improve the signal-to-noise ratio. Default is 4 seconds. \*\*\* option temporarily disabled \*\*\*

The presence of option /PRINT produces a procedure file (INTER\_OBS:pointing.obs), to be used in OBS for introducing the fitted pointing offset.

The results may also be written on an output ASCII file if /OUTPUT is given. The file is given extension .lis by default; a new file is opened except if APPEND is given as a second argument of option /OUTPUT. The file is by default in a format suitable for the determination of a pointing model (program POINT at BURE). The presence of optional argument FLUX changes the output format for the determination of relative fluxes (by ASTRO). With argument TPOINT, the output is written in a format suitable for processing by the TPOINT program.

### 5.33 STORE

CLIC\STORE Keyword

Writes calibration (or edition) data in the output file. All scans in the current index are processed.

#### 5.33.1 STORE AMPLITUDE

```
CLIC\STORE AMPLITUDE [/BAND LSB|USB|DSB] [/SELF]
                        [/POLAR HORIZONTAL|VERTICAL|BOTH]
```

Store the amplitude calibration determined by the last SOLVE AMPLITUDE.

One calibration curve is stored for each sideband. With option "/BAND code", one may use the calibration curve determined with one of the sidebands ('code' is UPPER or USB, LOWER or LSB, or AVERAGE or DSB), to calibrate both sidebands. With option /POLAR, one may use the calibration curve determined with one of the polarizations.

With option "/SELF", the calibration stored will not be the calibration curve (as determined from the last SOLVE AMPLITUDE command) but, for each record, a value derived directly from the data. The solution is computed independently for each sideband and each polarization by selecting the matching spectral windows before averaging, so USB/LSB and H/V values are stored separately. This provides a simple, easy way to self-calibrate data taken on strong continuum sources (quasars).

STORE AMPLITUDE and STORE PHASE can be performed simultaneously using STORE AMPLITUDE PHASE [/BAND code] [/SELF] [/RECEIVER irec] (the /RECEIVER option has no meaning for amplitudes).

#### 5.33.2 STORE CORRECTION

```
CLIC\STORE CORRECTION [GOOD|BAD|AUTO|SELF [tmin]] [/RECEIVER irec]
[/ANTENNA a1 ...] [/FRACTION fraction]
```

Store in the header of each scan (of the current index) the information whether the atmospheric phase correction is or not declared valid, and should be actually applied when SET PHASE ATM is selected. This is an antenna-based flag.

- GOOD: the atmospheric phase correction is to be used.
- BAD: the atmospheric phase correction is not to be used.
- AUTO [tmin]: that information is determined on the phase calibrators

(type PHASE), by comparing the scan-averaged amplitudes with and without the correction. This information is then propagated to the neighbouring source observations (type OBJECT), in a  $\pm$  tmin minutes time window. 'tmin' defaults to 15 minutes.

- SELF: that information is determined on the source, whatever its type may be, by comparing its amplitude with and without the correction. This will produce random result if the source has no continuum emission.
- STORE CORRECTION /RECEIVER irec: the validity of the correction from Receiver 'irec' is used (useful to transfer the correction validity from one frequency to the other).

With option /ANTENNA a1 a2 ..., only the specified antennas are considered. The correction validity for other antennas is not modified.

With option /FRACTION fraction, fraction of amplitude will replace the noise in estimating if uncorrected is better than corrected.

### 5.33.3 STORE FLAG

```
CLIC\STORE FLAG f1 f2 ... [/ANTENNA a1 a2 ... ]
[/BASELINE b1 b2 ...] [/RESET] [/MEMORY]
```

Flag all data in the current index according to the parameters and option specified.

Supported flag names are:

- C001 to C136 for bad individual continuum correlator subbands
- L001 to L136 for bad individual spectral correlator subbands
- DATA for bad data
- TSYS for too high system temperature (antenna based only)
- LOCK for out of lock local oscillator (antenna based only)
- POINTING for poor pointing (antenna based only)
- SHADOW for antenna being shadowed by another antenna (ant. based only)
- SATURATION for too high total power on a particular antenna
- TIME for time discontinuity
- DOPPLER for doppler discontinuity
- REDU for data reduction

Use option /RESET to suppress flags that were accidentally set.

Use option /MEMORY to store flags in memory (not in data). They are lost when the session is over.

"STORE FLAG" is equivalent to "MODIFY DATA proc.clic", where the "proc.clic" procedure contains:

```
FLAG f1 f2 ... [/ANTENNA a1 a2 ...] [/BASELINE b1 b2 ...] [/RESET]
GO WRITE
```

but it is simpler and faster. All the data records will be flagged.

#### 5.33.4 STORE FLUX

CLIC\STORE FLUX

Store the source fluxes and antenna efficiencies determined from a previous SOLVE FLUX command. Source names, frequencies (within 1GHz) and dates (within a week) must match. See the SOLVE FLUX and SET FLUX commands.

#### 5.33.5 STORE SPIDX

CLIC\STORE SPIDX

Store the source spectral indexes determined from a previous SOLVE SPIDX command. Source names, frequencies (within 1GHz) and dates (within a week) must match. See the SOLVE SPIDX and SET SPIDX commands.

#### 5.33.6 STORE PHASE

```
CLIC\STORE PHASE [/BAND LSB|USB|DSB] [/SELF] [/RECEIVER irec]
[/POLAR HORIZONTAL|VERTICAL|BOTH]
```

Store the phase calibration determined by the last SOLVE PHASE command.

One calibration curve is stored for each sideband. With option "/BAND code", one may use the calibration curve determined with one of the sidebands ('code' is UPPER or USB, LOWER or LSB, or AVERAGE or DSB), to calibrate both sidebands. With option /POLAR, one may use the calibration curve determined with one of the polarizations.

With option "/SELF", the calibration stored will not be the calibration curve (as determined from the last SOLVE PHASE command) but, for each record, a value derived directly from the data. The solution is computed independently for each sideband and each polarization by selecting the matching spectral windows before averaging, so USB/LSB and H/V values are stored separately. This provides a simple, easy way to self-calibrate data taken on strong continuum sources (quasars).

With option "/RECEIVER irec", the calibration curves solved using data



from receiver "irec" will be stored in parallel with any other calibration curve. This phase curve will be selected by giving SET PHASE EXTERNAL (see this command). In practice, this is used for Receiver 2 data, for which the calibration curve determined with Receiver 1 is stored. /BAND may be used in conjunction with /RECEIVER.

STORE PHASE and STORE AMPLITUDE can be performed simultaneously using STORE AMPLITUDE PHASE [/BAND code] [/SELF] [/RECEIVER irec] (the /RECEIVER option has no meaning for amplitudes).

### 5.33.7 STORE QUALITY

CLIC\STORE QUALITY code

Store the data quality to be used as a selection criterion. All the scans in the current index are tagged. Code may be an integer in the range 0-9, or directly the corresponding quality word:

- 0 Unknown
- 1 Excellent
- 2 Good
- 3 Fair
- 4 Average
- 5 Poor
- 6 Bad
- 7 Awful
- 8 Worst
- 9 Deleted

### 5.33.8 STORE RF\_PASSBAND

CLIC\STORE RF\_PASSBAND [/SCAN [/MULTIPLE] [/OVER]] [/POLARISATION]

Store the RF passband calibration curves. Channel dependent and frequency dependent curves will be simultaneously stored if available. Caution: RF passbands should be stored only for consistent spectral correlator configurations.

Option /SCAN allows to store directly the computed passband as an extra observation in the hpb file (a file out must be opened). By default, CLIC will complain if the file already contains a BANDPASS scan, unless the /MULTIPLE option is invoked. Up to 20 solutions can be stored in this case. Note that any type of bandpass (frequency or spectrum) can be saved in such a way. Option /OVER allows to overwrite the latest bandpass solution instead of writing a new scan.

Option /POLARISATION is used to store RF bandpass solution for the special NOEMA polarisation scans, which contains 16 subscans. The 16 solutions are computed by mixing the "direct" and "crossed" switches bandpass solution as appropriate. So one should have done a SOLVE RF and SOLVE RF /CROSSED beforehand.

### 5.34 SG\_TABLE

```
CLIC\SG_TABLE Name [OLD|NEW]
[/RESAMPLE nc ref val inc code shape width] [/FFT]
[/FREQUENCY name rest-freq] [/DROP n1 n2]
[/NOCHECK [SOURCE|POINTING|PHASE|EPOCH|SCAN]]
[/ADD Item[s]]
[/POLARIZATION SPLIT|AVERAGE|JOINT]
```

Prepare a UV Table, in spectral line mode only, but with added flexibility to store more information compared with the TABLE command. Polarization is handled in 3 possible ways, the default being AVERAGE.

Option /POLARIZATION and /ADD control the details of the polarization handling and of the extra information written.

See Command TABLE for the other options.

#### 5.34.1 SG\_TABLE /POLARIZATION

```
SPLIT:      A different visibility for each polarization
AVERAGE:    averaged polarizations before writing
JOINT:       All channels Polar 1, then All channels polar 2 in visibility
```

#### 5.34.2 SG\_TABLE /ADD

```
CLIC\SG_TABLE Name [OLD|NEW] /ADD Item [Item [...]]
```

Add some more information columns. Possible items are

```
U V W DATE TIME IANT JANT
```

which are in principle already present in elements 1 to 7 of the visibilities.

```
L_PHASE_OFF M_PHASE_OFF X_POINT_OFF Y_POINT_OFF
```

which indicate the Phase and Pointing offsets (e.g. for mosaics)

ELEVATION HOUR\_ANGLE PARA\_ANGLE

which can be useful for full polarization measurements

SCAN ON\_TIME WEIGHT

for bookkeeping

X\_POINT\_IANT Y\_POINT\_IANT X\_POINT\_JANT Y\_POINT\_JANT

the antenna pointing errors (used mostly for simulations...)

RA DEC FREQUENCY

the Source coordinates and Observing frequency (in Real\*8, used for multisource UV tables, still very experimental)

STOKES is also a recognized item, but it is handled by the /POLARIZATION option

### 5.35 TABLE

```
CLIC\TABLE Name [OLD|NEW] [/COMPRESS tmax uvmax]
[/RESAMPLE nc ref val inc code shape width] [/FFT]
[/FREQUENCY name rest-freq] [/DROP n1 n2]
[/NOCHECK [SOURCE|POINTING|PHASE|EPOCH|SCAN]] [/MOSAIC]
```

This command will create an UV data Table from the current index. is not given, the most recently created table will be extended. Next argument may be OLD (default value if not specified) to extend an existing table, or NEW to create a new table.

The bands and subbands used must have been given by the command SET SELECTION. The weighting mode can be modified by the command SET WEIGHTS.

```
TABLE /RESAMPLE nc ref val inc code [shape width /FFT]
```

Option /RESAMPLE enables to resample data on a new spectral grid (for line data). 'nc' is the output number of channels, 'ref' the reference channel, 'val' the value of velocity or frequency offset (with respect to the rest frequency) at the reference channel, 'inc' the resolution, 'code' is "V" if the value 'val' and the resolution 'inc' are in velocity units, "F" for frequency units.

The reference channel thus corresponds to the given 'val' velocity, or to the offset 'val' in MHz from the rest frequency present in the header or modified by option /FREQUENCY.

Resampling is done by default through linear interpolation of input channel data. Resampling may also be done (using option /FFT) in

Fourier space by cut-off or extrapolation (by zeroes) of the Fourier components, after deconvolution by the channel response of the correlator (due to on-line apodization), and followed by reconvolution to produce frequency channels of the given 'shape' and 'width'. Allowed shapes are:

TBox = a box in delay space (unapodized correlator)

Ppar = a parabola in delay space (apodized correlator) (the default)

FBox = a box in frequency space (square filter)

FTri = a triangle in frequency space (Hanning smoothed square filter)

The width is the channel width in units of channel separation (default 1).

Option /FFT is not recommended when joining together several subbands to produce a single spectrum, with a limited number of broad channels. In those cases using the FFT could produce a spectrum with "holes" at the points between subbands with limited overlap.

TABLE /FREQUENCY name rest-freq

Option /FREQUENCY is used to redefine the rest frequency (in MHz) and line name for the output table. The velocity scale is computed accordingly. This rest frequency will correspond to the reference channel in option RESAMPLE.

TABLE /NOCHECK [SOURCE|POINTING|PHASE|EPOCH|SCAN]

When processing each scan, CLIC checks whether a number of position parameters are consistent with those defined in the table header. Option /NOCHECK allows to switch off this checking. Arguments can be given to switch off only part of the parameters (SOURCE name, POINTING direction, PHASE center, EPOCH of coordinates). This option is intended for building tables with inconsistent parameters (typical exemple is a different source name...). It is potentially dangerous and is to be used with caution.

TABLE /DROP n1 n2 --- THIS OPTION IS OBSOLETE

Option /DROP enables to drop the first 'n1' and last 'n2' channels in each subband of the OLD spectral correlator. For the NEW spectral correlator (data taken since summer 1992), it is replaced by the commands SET GIBBS and SET DROP.

TABLE /COMPRESS tmax uvmax

Option /COMPRESS is used to compress the data before writing the

table. This works like the COMPRESS command, but no intermediate file is written. Very seldom used.

#### TABLE /MOSAIC

Option /MOSAIC is used to add extra offset columns for processing of mosaics.

### 5.35.1 TABLE UVTABLE

#### UV Table format

A UV table is a file in the Gildas Data Format, of dimension 2. Each column corresponds to a visibility data point. Lines contain respectively:

1. U in meters
2. V in meters
3. W in meters
4. Observation date (integer CLIC Day Number)
5. Time in seconds since above date
6. Number of start antenna
7. Number of end antenna
8. First frequency point (real part)
9. First frequency point (imaginary part)
10. First frequency point (weight)
11. Same for second frequency point, and so on.

See the SET WEIGHTS command to select the weighting mode. The first dimension is then the  $3 * Nchan + 7$ , for Nchan frequency channels. The second dimension is the number of UV points measured.

### 5.36 TAG

#### CLIC\TAG Quality\_Code List\_of\_Observations

Attributes a quality to a given list of Observations. Quality\_Code is an integer in the range 0-9, and the recommended quality scale is

- 0 Unknown
- 1 Excellent
- 2 Good
- 3 Fair
- 4 Average
- 5 Poor

- 6 Bad
- 7 Awful
- 8 Worst
- 9 Deleted

The operation is immediate and occurs in the OUTPUT file for all versions of all Observations specified in the list. If no list is given, the R memory is attributed the specified quality. A FIND operation will only select Observations of quality better than (i.e. less or equal to) the quality specified by the SET QUALITY command, or in the /QUALITY option.

### 5.37 VARIABLES

CLIC\VARIABLES group ON|OFF

This command is used to create/delete CLIC variables corresponding to header information. Several groups of variables are available, corresponding to sections in the scan headers.

|             |                                                       |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| READ_WRITE  | Input/Output file information (Global)                |
| GENERAL     | General information (Scan based)                      |
| POSITION    | Source related information (Scan based)               |
| CONFIG      | Array configuration related information (Scan based)  |
| RF_SETUP    | Receiver related information (Scan based)             |
| CONTINUUM   | Continuum correlator related information (Scan based) |
| LINE        | Spectral correlator related information (Scan based)  |
| SCANNING    | Special scanning information (Record based)           |
| ATMOSPHERE  | Atm. calibration parameters and results (Scan based)  |
| MONITOR     | Total power monitor information (Scan based)          |
| WVR         | Water Vapor Radiometer information (Scan based)       |
| DESCRIPTOR  | Data descriptor information (Scan based)              |
| DATA_HEADER | Data header information (Record based)                |
| DATA_RECORD | Data values (Record based)                            |
| INDEX       | Current index variables                               |
| ALMA        | ALMA specific information                             |
| AIC         | Antenna Instrumental Calibration (Scan based)         |
| SIZE        | Dimensioning parameters                               |
| INSTRUMENT  | Instrumental parameters                               |
| SPW         | Spectral windows parameters                           |

Scan- or record-based variables refer to the last scan or record that has been read (explicitely by GET/RECORD, or implicitly by PLOT or other commands).

**5.37.1 VARIABLES READ\_WRITE**

CLIC\VARIABLES READ\_WRITE ON|OFF

Input/Output file information (Global).

|              |                                                   |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| IN_FILE      | Name if input file                                |
| OUT_FILE     | Name of output file                               |
| INBLOC       | Block of observation in input file                |
| IDATA        | Address od data section in input observation      |
| INSEC        | Number of sections in header                      |
| INEXT        | Next available block in input file                |
| ONEXT        | Next available block in output file               |
| IXNUM        | Index number of current observation in input file |
| ISEC [INSEC] | Header sections                                   |
| ILEN [INSEC] | Length of header section (words)                  |
| IADD [INSEC] | Addresses of header sections (words)              |
| IVERSION     | Observation version (header)                      |
| DVERSION     | Observation version (data if applicable)          |
| IXNEXT       | Next available entry in input file index          |
| OXNEXT       | Next available entry in output file index         |
| CXNEXT       | Next available entry in current index             |
| INWORD       | Number of words in current observation            |
| IDATAL       | Length (words) of data section                    |
| MODIFY       | (Logical) data is open for modify                 |
| SHARE        | (Logical) Output file is shared                   |
| IX_NUM [ ]   | Observation numbers in input file index           |
| IX_BLOC [ ]  | Blocks numbers of observations in input file      |
| OX_NUM [ ]   | Observation numbers in output file index          |
| OX_BLOC [ ]  | Blocks numbers of observations in output file     |

The following additional variables are defined by the command FIND:

|       |                                         |
|-------|-----------------------------------------|
| FOUND | Number of observations in current index |
|-------|-----------------------------------------|

**5.37.2 VARIABLES GENERAL**

CLIC\VARIABLES GENERAL ON|OFF

General information (Scan based).

|               |                                      |
|---------------|--------------------------------------|
| TELESCOPE     | Telescope name                       |
| RECEIVER      | Receiver number                      |
| CONFIGURATION | Interferometer configuration         |
| NUMBER        | Observation number                   |
| VERSION       | Observation version number           |
| DOBS          | Day of observation (internal format) |

|               |                                                 |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| DATE_OBSERVED | Day of observation (in clear)                   |
| DRED          | Day of last reduction (internal format)         |
| DATE_REDUCED  | Day of last reduction (in clear)                |
| DATATYPE      | Type of observation (4 for interferometer data) |
| IQUAL         | Quality of observation (0-9)                    |
| QUALITY       | Quality of observation (Excellent, ... Awful)   |
| SCAN          | Scan number                                     |
| UTOBS         | Time of observation (radians!)                  |
| TIME_OBSERVED | Time of observation (hh:mm:ss.ss)               |
| LSTOBS        | Sidereal time of observation (radians)          |
| AZIMUTH       | Azimuth of source direction (radians)           |
| ELEVATION     | Elevation of observation (radians)              |
| AIR_MASS      | Airmass of observation                          |
| TSYS          | System temperature (K)                          |
| TIME          | Integration time (minutes)                      |
| PROJECT       | Project name                                    |
| PROC          | Procedure used (internal format)                |
| PROCEDURE     | Procedure used (in clear)                       |
| TYPE_OFF      | Type of offsets                                 |
| N_BOXES       | Number of plotted boxes                         |
| NEW_RECEIVERS | Logical indicating if receiver are from > 2006  |

### 5.37.3 VARIABLES POSITION

CLIC\VARIABLES POSITION ON|OFF

Source related information (Scan based).

|            |                                            |
|------------|--------------------------------------------|
| SOURCE     | Source name                                |
| LAMBDA     | Source longitude-like coordinate (radians) |
| BETA       | Source latitude-like coordinate (radians)  |
| OFF_LAMBDA | Offset in lambda (radians)                 |
| OFF_BETA   | Offset in beta (radians)                   |
| EPOCH      | Epoch of coordinates (if equatorial)       |
| PROJECTION | Projection used for offsets                |
| FOCUS      | Focus position used                        |
| FLUX       | Source flux (Jy) for calibrators           |
| SPIDX      | Source spectral index for calibrators      |
| TYPE_COORD | Type of coordinates                        |

### 5.37.4 VARIABLES CONFIG

CLIC\VARIABLES CONFIG ON|OFF

Array configuration related information (Scan based).



|               |          |                                             |
|---------------|----------|---------------------------------------------|
| NANT          |          | Number of antennas                          |
| NBAS          |          | Number of baselines                         |
| ITYPE         |          | Type of observation (Object:1 or Phase:2)   |
| HOURL_ANGLE   |          | Hour angle of observation (hours)           |
| STATION       | [NANT]   | Positions of antennas                       |
| PHYS_ANT      | [NANT]   | Antenna physical numbers                    |
| CORR_INPUT    | [NANT]   | Correlator input connected for each antenna |
| START_ANTENNA | [NBAS]   | First antenna of baseline                   |
| END_ANTENNA   | [NBAS]   | Second antenna of baseline                  |
| BASELINE      | [3,NBAS] | Coordinates of baselines (meters)           |
| ANTENNA       | [3,NANT] | Coordinates of antennas (meters)            |
| AXES_OFFSET   | [NANT]   | Offsets of E1 axis from Az axes (meters)    |
| PHLO1         | [NANT]   | L01 phase                                   |
| PHLO3         | [NANT]   | L03 phase                                   |
| NBAND_WIDEX   |          | Number of WIDEX units                       |

### 5.37.5 VARIABLES RF\_SETUP

CLIC\VARIABLES RF\_SETUP ON|OFF

Receiver related information (Scan based).

|           |              |                                       |
|-----------|--------------|---------------------------------------|
| LINE      |              | Line name (in OBS)                    |
| FREQUENCY |              | Rest Frequency (in OBS) (MHz)         |
| ISB       |              | Side band (1:upper, -1:lower)         |
| LOCK      |              | Lock                                  |
| FLO1      |              | Frequency of First LO (MHz)           |
| FLO1_REF  |              | Frequency of First LO reference (MHz) |
| FIF1      |              | First intermediate frequency (MHz)    |
| VELOCITY  |              | Velocity entered in OBS (km/s)        |
| TYPE_VEL  |              | Velocity type                         |
| DOPPLER   |              | Doppler correction factor (v/c)       |
| N_IF      |              | Number of IFs                         |
| IFNAME    | [N_IF]       | IF name                               |
| KIF       | [N_IF]       | "Physical" IF number                  |
| R_IFATTN  | [NANT,N_IF]  | IF attenuation (dB)                   |
| R_NBB     |              | Number of basebands                   |
| R_BBNAME  | [R_NBB]      | Baseband names                        |
| R_KBB     | [R_NBB]      | "Physical" baseband numbers           |
| R_MAPBB   | [NANT,R_NBB] | Baseband indexing                     |
| R_MAPPOL  | [NANT,R_NBB] | Baseband polarisation                 |

**5.37.6 VARIABLES CONTINUUM**

CLIC\VARIABLES CONTINUUM ON|OFF

Continuum correlator related information (Scan based).

|              |                                                 |
|--------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| N_SIDE BANDS | Number of present sidebands                     |
| N_SUB_BANDS  | Number of continuum sub-bands                   |
| NCDAT        | Total number of channels (sidebands x subbands) |
| CRCH [2]     | Reference channel for sideband                  |
| CVOFF [2]    | Velocity for sideband                           |
| CVRES [2]    | Velocity resolution                             |
| CRFOFF [2]   | Rest frequency (MHz)                            |
| CRFRES [2]   | Frequency resolution                            |
| CNAM_U       | Line name for Upper side band                   |
| CNAM_L       | Line name for Lower side band                   |
| CFCEN [10]   | Center frequency for subband (MHz)              |
| CFWID [10]   | Width of subband (MHz)                          |

**5.37.7 VARIABLES LINE**

CLIC\VARIABLES LINE ON|OFF

Spectral correlator related information (Scan based).

|                        |                                             |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| N_LINE_BANDS           | Number of line subbands                     |
| FOURIER                | (Logical) FFT done, data in frequency space |
| TOTAL_CHANNELS         | Total number of line channels               |
| N_CHANNELS [NSUBB]     | Number of channels in subband               |
| FIRST_CHANNEL [NSUBB]  | First channel in subband                    |
| LCEN [NSUBB]           | L03 frequency (channel 1)                   |
| LFRES [NSUBB]          | Frequency resolution (signed)               |
| REF_CHANNEL [2,NSUBB]  | Reference channel for spectrum              |
| F_RESOLUTION [2,NSUBB] | Frequency resolution                        |
| F_OFFSET [2,NSUBB]     | Rest frequency in reference channel         |
| V_RESOLUTION [2,NSUBB] | Velocity resolution                         |
| V_OFFSET [2,NSUBB]     | Velocity in reference channel               |
| R_LILEVU [NSUBB,NANT]  | Sampling levels (USB)                       |
| R_LILEVL [NSUBB,NANT]  | Sampling levels (LSB)                       |
| REF_NUM [NSUBB]        | Spectral window reference channel           |
| UNIT_NUMBER [NSUBB]    | Unit "physical" number                      |
| R_FLO2 [NSUBB]         | L02 frequency (MHz)                         |
| R_BAND2 [NSUBB]        | L02 conversion sign                         |
| R_FLO2BIS [NSUBB]      | L02bis frequency (MHz)                      |
| R_BAND2BIS [NSUBB]     | L02bis conversion sign                      |
| R_FLO3 [NSUBB]         | L03 frequency (MHz)                         |
| R_FLO4 [NSUBB]         | L04 frequency (MHz)                         |

|                  |              |                                          |
|------------------|--------------|------------------------------------------|
| BAND4            | [NSUBB]      | Sign of band 4 conversion                |
| R_LPOLMODE       | [NSUBB]      | Polarisation mode                        |
| R_LPOENTRY       | [NANT,NSUBB] | Polarisation connected to spw            |
| R_BB             | [NSUBB]      | Spectral window baseband                 |
| R_IF             | [NSUBB]      | Spectral window IF                       |
| R_SB             | [NSUBB]      | Spectral window sideband                 |
| R_STARTING_CHUNK | [NSUBB]      | Spectral widow starting chunk            |
| R_NB_CHUNK       | [NSUBB]      | Spectral window number of chunk          |
| PHSELECT         | [NANT,NSUBB] | Real-time atm. correction (1: TP, 2:WVR) |

### 5.37.8 VARIABLES SCANNING

CLIC\VARIABLES SCANNING ON|OFF

Special scanning information (Record based). This is for Pointing, Focus, Holography, ...

|           |        |                                                     |
|-----------|--------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| SCAN_TYPE |        | Type of special scan (1 focus 2,3 point 4,5 calibr) |
| MOBIL     | [NANT] | Antennas in motion (logical)                        |
| COLL_AZ   | [NANT] | Collimation in azimuth (arc sec)                    |
| COLL_EL   | [NANT] | Collimation in elevation (arc sec)                  |
| COR_FOC   | [NANT] | The Z focus correction in mm                        |

### 5.37.9 VARIABLES ATMOSPHERE

CLIC\VARIABLES ATMOSPHERE ON|OFF

Atmospheric calibration parameters and results (Scan based).

|                |        |                                               |
|----------------|--------|-----------------------------------------------|
| PRESSURE       |        | Pressure in hectopascals (zero alt.)          |
| AMBIANT_T      |        | Outside temperature (K)                       |
| ALTITUDE       |        | Altitude in kilometers                        |
| HUMIDITY       |        | Humidity in %                                 |
| WATER          | [NANT] | Water content (mm)                            |
| TAU_S          | [NANT] | Optical depth in signal side band             |
| TATM_S         | [NANT] | Temperature of atmosphere in signal side band |
| TAU_I          | [NANT] | Optical depth in image side band              |
| TATM_I         | [NANT] | Temperature of atmosphere in image side band  |
| BEAM_EFF       | [NANT] | Beam efficiency                               |
| FORWARD_EFF    | [NANT] | Forward efficiency                            |
| T_CHOPPER      | [NANT] | Temperature of ambient load (K)               |
| T_COLD         | [NANT] | Temperature of cold load (K)                  |
| T_REC          | [NANT] | Receiver temperature (K)                      |
| GAIN_IMAGE     | [NANT] | Gain ratio image/signal                       |
| CHOPPER_COUNTS | [NANT] | Measured counts on ambient load               |
| COLD_COUNTS    | [NANT] | Measured counts on cold load                  |

|             |          |                                         |
|-------------|----------|-----------------------------------------|
| SKY_COUNTS  | [NANT]   | Measured counts on sky                  |
| T_SYS_S     | [NANT]   | System temperature (signal band)        |
| T_SYS_I     | [NANT]   | System temperature (image band)         |
| CHOPPER_EFF | [NANT]   | Chopper efficiency                      |
| CAL_MODE    | [NANT]   | Calibration reduction mode              |
| JY_TO_KEL   | [NANT]   | Jansky to Kelvin conversion factor      |
| TOTAL_SCALE | [NANT]   | Scaling factor for physical total power |
| T_CABIN     | [NANT]   | Temperature in cabin (K)                |
| T_DEWAR     | [3,NANT] | Temperatures in dewar (K)               |

### 5.37.10 VARIABLES MONITOR

CLIC\VARIABLES MONITOR ON|OFF

Total power monitor information (Scan based).

```

NREC_MON
FRS_MON
FRI_MON
MAGIC_MON
WATER_MON      [NANT]
TAU_S_MON      [NANT]
TAU_I_MON      [NANT]
TATM_S_MON     [NANT]
TATM_I_MON     [NANT]
FORWARD_EFF_MON [NANT]
T_CHOPPER_MON  [NANT]
T_COLD_MON     [NANT]
T_REC_MON      [NANT]
GAIN_IMAGE_MON [NANT]
CHOP_COUNTS_MON [NANT]
SKY_COUNTS_MON [NANT]
COLD_COUNTS_MON [NANT]
T_SYS_MON      [NANT]
CAL_MODE_MON   [NANT]
PATH_MON       [NANT]
TEM_MON        [NANT]
DPATH_MON      [NANT]
OK_MON         [NANT]

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### 5.37.11 VARIABLES WVR

CLIC\VARIABLES WVR ON|OFF

Water Vapor Radiometer information (Scan based).

|             |               |                                             |
|-------------|---------------|---------------------------------------------|
| WVRNCH      | [NANT]        | Number of channels (=3; 0 if no WVR)        |
| WVRFREQ     | [WVRNCH,NANT] | Central frequencies (MHz)                   |
| WVRBW       | [WVRNCH,NANT] | Bandwidths (MHz)                            |
| WVRTAMB     | [NANT]        | Temp ambient load (K)                       |
| WVRTPEL     | [NANT]        | Temp Peltier cooler (K)                     |
| WVRTCAL     | [NANT]        | Calibration temperature (K)                 |
| WVRREF      | [WVRNCH,NANT] | Average counts on reference observation     |
| WVRAVER     | [WVRNCH,NANT] | Average counts on current observation       |
| WVRAMB      | [WVRNCH,NANT] | Average counts on last ambient measurement  |
| WVRTREC     | [WVRNCH,NANT] | Receiver temperatures (K)                   |
| WVRLABTREC  | [WVRNCH,NANT] |                                             |
| WVRLABTCAL  | [WVRNCH,NANT] |                                             |
| WVRLABTDIO  | [WVRNCH,NANT] |                                             |
| WVRFEFF     | [WVRNCH,NANT] | Coupling factor                             |
| WVRMODE     | [NANT]        | Calibration mode                            |
| WVRH2O      | [NANT]        | Precipitable water vapor (mm)               |
| WVRPATH     | [NANT]        | Water vapor pathlength (mum)                |
| WVRTSYS     | [WVRNCH,NANT] | System temperature (K)                      |
| WVRDPATH    | [WVRNCH,NANT] | K to H2O vap. pathlength (model, mum/K)     |
| WVRFPATH    | [WVRNCH,NANT] | K to H2O vap. pathlength (empirical, mum/K) |
| WVRLIQ      | [WVRNCH,NANT] | K to H2O liquid emission (K/K)              |
| WVRDCLOUD   | [WVRNCH,NANT] | K to H2O liquid pathlength (mum/K)          |
| WVRTATM     | [NANT]        | Temperature of atmosphere (K)               |
| WVRQUAL     | [NANT]        | Quality code                                |
| WVRAVERTIME |               | Averaging time for wvr (s)                  |

### 5.37.12 VARIABLES DESCRIPTOR

CLIC\VARIABLES DESCRIPTOR ON|OFF

Data descriptor information (Scan based).

|               |                                  |
|---------------|----------------------------------|
| N_DUMPS       | Number of records                |
| HEADER_LENGTH | Length of data header (words)    |
| CONT_LENGTH   | Length of continuum data (words) |
| LINE_LENGTH   | Length of line data (words)      |

### 5.37.13 VARIABLES DATA\_HEADER

CLIC\VARIABLES DATA\_HEADER ON|OFF

Data header information (Record based).

|         |                                          |
|---------|------------------------------------------|
| DH_DUMP | Record number                            |
| DH_OBS  | Date of observation (in internal format) |
| DH_DATE | Date of observation (in clear)           |

|                    |                |                                              |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------------------------------------|
| DH_INTEG           |                | Integration time in seconds                  |
| DH_SVEC[3]         |                | EQ coordinates of source direction           |
| DH_AFLAG           | [NANT]         | Antenna flag word                            |
| DH_TOTAL           | [NANT]         | Total power                                  |
| DH_DELCON          | [NANT]         | Delay used for continuum correlator (ns)     |
| DH_DELLIN          | [NANT]         | Delay used for line correlator (ns)          |
| DH_DELAYC          | [NANT]         | Computed delay (ns)                          |
| DH_DELAY           | [NANT]         | Delay offset (ns)                            |
| DH_PHASEC          | [NANT]         | Computed L01 phase                           |
| DH_PHASE           | [NANT]         | L01 Phase offset                             |
| DH_RATEC           | [NANT]         | Computed fringe rate                         |
| DH_CABLE           | [NANT]         | Phase of IF cable (at L02 frequency)         |
| DH_OFFFOC          | [NANT]         | Focus offset (mm)                            |
| DH_OFFLAM          | [NANT]         | Azimuth offset (arc sec) in pointing scans   |
| DH_OFFBET          | [NANT]         | Elevation offset (arc sec) in pointing scans |
| DH_UVM             | [2,NBAS]       | U and V for baseline (meters)                |
| DH_RMSPE           | [2,NANT]       | AZ and EL pointing errors rms *arc sec.)     |
| DH_UTC             |                | UT Time (sec)                                |
| DH_TIME            |                | UT Time (hh:mm:ss.ss)                        |
| DH_ATFAC           | [2,NANT]       | Atm. calibration factor [sideband,ant] (K)   |
| DH_BFLAG           | [NBAS]         | Baseline Flag word                           |
| DH_INFAC           | [2,2,NBAS]     | Instrumental factor [real/imag,upp/low,base] |
| DH_WVR             | [WVRNCH,NANT]  | Counts of each WVR channel                   |
| DH_WVRSTAT         | [NANT]         | WVR status word                              |
| DH_TESTO           | [20]           | Test variables                               |
| DH_TEST1           | [20,NANT]      | Test variables (by antenna).                 |
| DH_GAMME           | [NANT]         | Gamme (obsolete)                             |
| DH_RMSPHA          | [2,NBAS]       | Phase rms                                    |
| DH_RMSAMP          | [2,NBAS]       | Amplitude rms                                |
| AMPFAC_L           | [2,2,NBAS]     |                                              |
| AMPFAC_U           | [2,2,NBAS]     |                                              |
| DH_ACTP            | [2,NANT,NSUBB] | Autocorrelation total power                  |
| DH_ANTTP           | [N_IF,NANT]    | Warm-IF total power (dBm)                    |
| DH_SAFLAG          | [2*NSUBB,NANT] | Antenna spectral flags                       |
| DH_SBFLAG          | [2*NSUBB,NBAS] | Baseline spectral flags                      |
| IS_SAFLAG          | [NANT]         | Is there any antenna spectral flag           |
| IS_SBFLAG          | [NBAS]         | Is there any baseline spectral flag          |
| DH_CABLE_ALTERNATE | [NANT]         | Cable phase for the other reference          |
| DH_NTIME           |                | Number of recorder time parameters           |
| DH_TIME_MONITORING | [DH_NTIME]     | Time parameters                              |
| DH_INCLI           | [NANT,2]       | Station inclination (X,Y)                    |
| DH_INCLI_TEMP      | [NANT]         | Inclinometer temperature (C)                 |
| DH_TILFOC          | [NANT,3]       | Subreflector tilt (/X,/Y,/Z)                 |
| DH_OFFFOC_XY       | [NANT,2]       | Subreflector offset (X,Y)                    |

**5.37.14 VARIABLES DATA\_RECORD**

CLIC\VARIABLES DATA\_RECORD ON|OFF

Data values (Record based).

|                      |                |
|----------------------|----------------|
| DATA_C [CONT_LENGTH] | Continuum data |
| DATA_L [LINE_LENGTH] | Line data      |

The following additional variables are computed by command MINMAX:

|                   |                                   |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|
| C_AMPMAX_U [NBAS] | Maximum amplitude, continuum, USB |
| L_AMPMAX_U [NBAS] | Maximum amplitude, line, USB      |
| C_AMPMAX_L [NBAS] | Maximum amplitude, continuum, LSB |
| L_AMPMAX_L [NBAS] | Maximum amplitude, line, LSB      |
| C_AMPMIN_U [NBAS] | Minimum amplitude, continuum, USB |
| L_AMPMIN_U [NBAS] | Minimum amplitude, line, USB      |
| C_AMPMIN_L [NBAS] | Minimum amplitude, continuum, LSB |
| L_AMPMIN_L [NBAS] | Minimum amplitude, line, LSB      |

**5.37.15 VARIABLES INDEX**

CLIC\VARIABLES INDEX ON|OFF

Index variables

|                 |                                                 |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| CX_NUM [FOUND]  | Observation numbers in current index            |
| CX_BLOC [FOUND] | Blocks numbers of observations in current index |

**5.37.16 VARIABLES AIC**

CLIC\VARIABLES AIC ON|OFF

Index variables

|                          |                                      |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| AIC                      | Has a solution been stored           |
| AICDEG                   | Solution degree                      |
| AICPHA [2,2,NANT,AICDEG] | Phase solution (pol,sb,nant,deg)     |
| AICAMP [2,2,NANT,AICDEG] | Amplitude solution (pol,sb,nant,deg) |

**5.37.17 VARIABLES SIZE**

CLIC\VARIABLES SIZE ON|OFF

Dimensioning parameter.

|        |                                  |
|--------|----------------------------------|
| MAXANT | CLIC maximum number of antennas  |
| MAXBAS | CLIC maximum number of baselines |

NSFLAG                                      Maximum numbers of spectral windows

### 5.37.18 VARIABLES INSTRUMENT

CLIC\VARIABLES INSTRUMENT ON|OFF

Instrument parameters.

|                   |             |                                |
|-------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| HIQ_ATTEN         | [NANT,2]    | High-Q cables attenuation (dB) |
| LASER_LEVEL       | [NANT,N_IF] | Optical link power (V)         |
| WIDEX_TEMPERATURE | [4]         | Widex temperatures C()         |

### 5.37.19 VARIABLES SPW

CLIC\VARIABLES SPW ON|OFF

Spectral window parameters.

|          |        |                                                 |
|----------|--------|-------------------------------------------------|
| SPW%NSPW |        |                                                 |
| SPW%NAME | [NSPW] | Spectral window name                            |
| SPW%TOPO | [NSPW] | Spectral window topocentric ref frequency (MHz) |
| SPW%FREQ | [NSPW] | Spectral window rest frequency (MHz)            |
| SPW%BW   | [NSPW] | Spectral window bandwidth (MHz)                 |
| SPW%POL  | [NSPW] | Spectral window polarisation (1:H, 2:V)         |
| SPW%SB   | [NSPW] | Spectral window sideband                        |

## 5.38 WVR

CLIC\WVR [/CMODE wvrmode wvrpol] [/NOWRITE]

This command is used to prepare the atmospheric phase correction based on the 22 GHz Water Vapor Radiometers (WVR). It process all scans in the current index and performs two operations.

First, it processes the WVR calibration scans (CWVR) to compute receiver and calibration temperatures of each radiometer. Option /CMODE is used to specify the WVR calibration mode: the 'wvrmode' parameter can be equal to:

- TR\_GE: Trec + gain external
- LAB
- TREC
- DIODE
- NOCAL: no calibration, for test purposes only

The second argument of /CMODE is 'wvrpol' which gives the degree of the poynomial fit removed from the data. Default value are: wvrmode = TREC, and wvrpol = 0.



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