Pulsar session essential checklist

A) Before the session starts, copy your schedule and setup files in the directory:

/home/pulsar/scheds/[your project code]

- B) Unstow the antenna (if stowed)
- 1) on discosConsole terminal, unstow the antenna by giving the following commands:

antennaReset
setupXXX (where XXX is the code of the requested receiver)
goTo=\*,87.9d

- 2) If necessary, do the pointing and focus calibrations (see seadas session handbook for details).
- C) Launch seadas
- 1) Log in the computer viewer01 as pulsar (ask staff for password), or switch to user pulsar if another user is already logged in
- 2) Open a shell and type the command: seadas
- 3) Enable the antenna
- D) Backends control:

DX sections must be followed for those backends only the user needs to use, otherwise must be skipped

- D1) DFB operations:
- 1) open a shell on viewer01
- 2) type the command: vncviewer psrdfb:2 (ask staff for password)
- 3) if not already running, in a terminal in the vnc window type the command: dfbcontroller
- D2) LEAP cluster operations
- 1) open a shell on viewer01
- 2) type the command: vncviewer leap0:2 (ask staff for password)
- 3) if not already running, in a terminal in the vnc window type the command: /home/user/seadas/bin/leapcontroller

- E) Observations' start
- 1) in seadas window, load your schedule
- 2) choose the observations to be put in the observing list
- 3) click observe
- F) Session closure
- 1) close the vnc window on the leap cluster (if opened)
- 2) close the vnc window on the DFB (if opened)
- 3) close seadas
- 4) log out of viewer01
- 5) on discosConsole terminal, park the antenna by giving the following commands:

antennaPark servoPark asPark