

## CHECK LIST FOR THE DATA COLLECTION

- Raspberry pi
  - Power cable
- Monitor
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  - HDMI cable
- Keyboard and mouse
- Long black SMA cable
- LWA FEE
- Box for the LWA FEE
- Short black SMA cable
- Power Supply
  - Batteries
  - Bias T
  - Extra batteries (at least 4)
- Car power inverter
- RTL SDR
- Multimeter (to check batteries voltage)
- Level (to keep LWA FEE straight)
- Extension cord

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Complete check list.
2. Connect raspberry pi and monitor using power supply cables to socket.
3. Plug keyboard/mouse USB receiver into raspberry pi.
4. Plug RTL SDR to the raspberry pi.
5. Using the short black cable, connect RTL SDR to the Bias T (RF).
6. Using the long black cable, connect Bias T (DC+RF) to the LWA FEE (N-S).
7. Check every connection to make sure everything wired or connected.
8. Put the LWA FEE into the box.
9. Fix the orientation of the LWA FEE

- 10.** Turn on the raspberry pi and monitor.
- 11.** Change settings of the monitor screen saver.
- 12.** Turn on the batteries.
- 13.** Check the batteries voltage. (Change batteries if necessary).
- 14.** Start collecting data.
  - a.** Create data directory (New folder)
  - b.** Do not forget cd to “freq\_scan\_time.py” file to make code work.
  - c.** Run the code below to start collecting data.  
  

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Python freq_and_time_scan.py--scan_period=0.001 --total_time=0.001 --  
freq_i=27. --freq_f=114. --df=1. --sleep_time=5. --veclength=1024 --samp_rate=2  
--int_length=100 --nint=100 --data_dir=/home/pi/data/(Folder_name)
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  - d.** Remove USB receiver to get more accurate data.
- 15.** Turn off the batteries after finish collecting data.
- 16.** Check the data using jupyter notebook.
  - a.** Open terminal and run jupyter notebook
  - b.** In “data” file, open *LWA-WSU-quick-look.ipynb*
  - c.** Put the file name that you saved your data.
  - d.** Run the code
- 17.** Go through the check list again before heading out.

### **Manual Notes**

- GPS location
- Take pictures or write description of the surroundings.

- Try to keep time of the whole process to get approximate time for the future data collection (assemble, collecting data, dissemble).