



**Title:** IACHEC Timing WG telecom

**Date:** 20 April 2021

**Time:** 13:00 UTC = 22:00 JST = 9:00 EDT = 6:00 PDT = 15:00 CEST

**Zoom:** <https://zoom.us/j/91292380493> (passcode: iachec)

**Notes:** <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1bsR2PIT2PZCiANMsb98XIBSJa4zJ-1kmjnMqLpA52yM/edit?usp=sharing>

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*Meeting Notes are shown in Red. (Participants can edit this page.)*

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## Agenda

1. WG communication
  2. Activity I: Summary Table of Timing Performance/Calibration
  3. Activity II: Systematic survey of Timing Calibration of multi missions using Crab pulsar
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## 0. Scope of this meeting

- **Summary of the IACHEC Workshop 2021**
  - April 2021
    - ◇ Plenary Series
      - April 16 (11am – 12pm EDT) on XRISM
      - April 23 (11am – 12pm EDT) on eRosita
      - April 30th (11am – 12pm EDT) on IXPE
    - ◇ WG telecom
      - In each WG (**this telecom**)
    - ◇ WG report & Discussion
      - May 17-19, 10am - 12pm EDT
  - September 2021
    - ◇ September 13–16, 2021 on Zoom
- **Timing WG telecoms & scope**
  - April 20 2021, 13:00 UTC = 22:00 JST = 9:00 EDT = 6:00 PDT = 15:00 CEST (**This meeting**)
    - ◇ [quick review of what we did last year 2020](#)
    - ◇ [discussion what to do next](#)
  - May 12 2021 14:00 UTC = 23:00 JST = 10:00 EDT = 7:00 PDT = 16:00 CEST
    - ◇ Check Status before May IACHEC meeting

## 1. Working Group Communication (short announcement)

### 1.1 Current Members & Mission

Yukikatsu Terada (Suzaku,Hitomi, XRISM), & his student Minami Sakama (XRISM)  
Craig Markwardt (NICER),  
Teruaki Enoto (NICER),  
Matteo Bachetti (NuSTAR),  
Katja Pottschmidt (NuSTAR),  
Felix Fuerst (XMM-Newton),  
Simon Rosen (XMM-Newton),  
Vinay Kashyap (Chandra),  
Amy Lien (Swift),  
Guillaume Belanger(INTEGRAL),  
Volodymyr SAVCHENKO(INTEGRAL),  
Lucien Kuiper(INTEGRAL)  
Xiaobo LI (HXMT),  
Gulab Dewangan (Astrosat),  
Dipankar Bhattacharya(Astrosat)  
Makoto Sawada(XRISM),  
Takaaki Tanaka (XRISM)

### 1.2 IACHEC Timing ML : [iachec-time@heal.phy.saitama-u.ac.jp](mailto:iachec-time@heal.phy.saitama-u.ac.jp) (Please ask Yuki to update. )

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### 1.3 IACHEC Slack

- 9 members on IACHEC/Timing Slack at this moment
  - Yuki, Vinay, Felix, Gulab, Katja, Matteo, Simon, Teru, and Xiaobo
- Please Join.
  - [https://join.slack.com/t/iachec/shared\\_invite/zt-padwl8dd-agdsBrGAaLNc5Ljmf7uCuQ](https://join.slack.com/t/iachec/shared_invite/zt-padwl8dd-agdsBrGAaLNc5Ljmf7uCuQ)
- (Yuki has trouble using Slack client due to JAXA security policy from this April.)

### 1.4 IACHEC Timing WWW

- Address: <https://iachec.org/timing/>
- Please ask Yuki to update.

### 1.5 IACHEC Timing Wiki page

- Address: <https://wikis.mit.edu/confluence/display/iachec/Timing>
- Instruction to get account to edit this Wiki page: <https://iachec.org/iachec-wiki/> (Ask Eric)
- Do you have some trouble getting an account??

## 2. Activity I: Summary Table of Timing Performance/Calibration

- Please see <https://wikis.mit.edu/confluence/display/iachec/Timing>
- Organizer: Yuki
- Action Item from notes last telecom
  - (A/I) divide “Absolute Time” column into “offset” and “deviation”
- Discussion
  - Yuki will update the table. If you have value, please let us know (you can write the below). → (A/I)
  - **Comment: the definition of offset here is unclear: offset time relative to “Crab Main pulse” or “??”**
  - **→ Add “Comments” also, and put more information there.**
  - **After gathering information here, Yuki will update the IACHEC Wiki page.**
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Instrument	Absolute Timing Accuracy (offset)	Absolute Timing Accuracy (deviation, sigma)	Comments
RXTE/PCA			
RXTE/HEXTE			
Chandra/ACIS			
Chandra/HRC			
XMM-Newton/EPIC-MOS			
XMM-Newton/EPIC-PN	-354+-11 usec	108 usec (1 sigma)	
INTEGRAL/SPI			
INTEGRAL/IBIS			
Swift/BAT			
Swift/XRT			
Suzaku/HXD	~ 70 usec	360 +- 150 usec (90% err)	“offset” is defined from the difference from the average arrival time of Crab among X-ray missions and the HXD.

Suzaku/XIS	N/A	N/A	
NuSTAR/FPM		65 usec	
AstroSat/LAXPC	316+-70 usec		
AstroSat/CZTI	650+-70 usec		
HXMT			
Hitomi / SXS,HXI,SGD	120-230 usec	<3.0 usec (3 sigma)	
NICER			
eROSITA			
XRISM/Resolve	same as Hitomi	same as Hitomi	
XRISM/Xtend			
Fermi LAT			
Fermi/GBM			

### 3. Activity II: Systematic survey of Timing Calibration of multi missions using Crab pulsar

- Organizer: Matteo
- **Purpose:** comparison of Crab ephemeris among instruments.
  - 1. Cross Calibration
  - 2. Systematic check of the delay of main pulse in the X-ray to Radio
  - Note: please see the presentation by Kuiper in IACHEC 2018.
- Action Items & Steps from notes last telecom
  - send barycenter event fits file to Matteo from PoCs
    - ✧ (TIME list or event)
    - ✧ (cut energy by the recommendation of instrument) (provide PI to Energy conversion formula)
    - ✧ multiple epochs
  - Matteo can share the code among this WG.
  - Matteo will provide the repository;
    - ✧ <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/15Zoz3M7BkeoC33ip3ezP0kWXLOtcS94C?usp=sharing>
  - Define the output (table)
- **Discussion & A/I**
  - Please put your barycenter event file(s) with the energy (PI) column (if we have) in the repository. Please delete/clean unnecessary information
  - No minimum length (exposure) of the observation.
  - by the end of April, please provide at least one epoch.
  - If we have trouble with access, please send a Google account to Matteo.

### 4. Other topics to discuss