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[Casa-announce] CASA 6.4.4 Release

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Dear Colleagues,

A new CASA 6.4.4 release is now available!

New functionality of CASA 6.4.4 includes: tclean: new experimental deconvolution algorithm "Adaptive Scale Pixel". tclean: new/unknown observatory names can now generate Airy disk primary beams. plotms: improvements for changing the phasecenter on-the-fly. plotms: colorization now assigns colors for spw in ALMA spectral scans. ft/componentlist: support of models with spectral curvature. ia.fft tool method: now handles brightness units properly. almahelpers.py: removed from almatasks, but can be found in casarecipes. ALMA array configuration files: Cycle-9 files added to the data repository.

See the full Release Notes for CASA 6.4 on CASA Docs: https://casadocs.readthedocs.io/en/stable/notebooks/ introduction.html

Please also review the Known Issues page: https://casadocs.readthedocs.io/en/stable/notebooks/ introduction.html#Known-Issues

Download and Installation

CASA 6.4.4 is available either as a downloadable tar-file, or through pip-wheel installation, which gives users flexibility to integrate CASA into their customized Python environment.

CASA 6.4.4 can be downloaded from the CASA website: https://casa.nrao.edu/casa_obtaining.shtml Instructions on how to install CASA 6.4.4 can be found in CASA Docs: https://casadocs.readthedocs. io/en/stable/notebooks/introduction.html#id1

OS Support

CASA 6.4.4 is expected to work on multiple computer operating systems as well as multiple versions of Python. In addition to the officially supported platforms RedHat 7 & 8 and Mac OSX 10.15 & OS 11, CASA compatibility has been extended to include Ubuntu. For full OS compatibility, see CASA Docs: https://casadocs.readthedocs. io/en/stable/notebooks/introduction.html#Compatibility

Note to Mac users: A problem with GUIs may occur when trying to CASA 6.4.4 on Mac OS 12, and we are looking into this issue for a future release. ARM-based M1 machines are currently not supported, and we recommend M1 users to install the Rosetta software when running CASA: https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT211861

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Regards, The CASA Team

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