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LOFAR observations of the XMM-LSS field.

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We present observations of the XMM Large-Scale Structure (XMM-LSS) field observed with the Low Frequency Array (LOFAR) at 120-168MHz. Centred at a J2000 declination of  $-4.5^\circ$ , this is a challenging field to observe with LOFAR because of its low elevation with respect to the array. The low elevation of this field reduces the effective collecting area of the telescope, thereby reducing sensitivity. This low elevation also causes the primary beam to be elongated in the north-south direction, which can introduce side lobes in the synthesised beam in this direction. However the XMM-LSS field is a key field to study because of the wealth of ancillary information, encompassing most of the electromagnetic spectrum. The field was observed for a total of 12 hours from three four-hour LOFAR tracks using the Dutch array. The final image presented encompasses  $\sim 27\text{deg}^2$ , which is the region of the observations with a  $>50\%$  primary beam response. Once combined, the observations reach a central rms of  $280\mu\text{Jy}/\text{beam}$  at 144MHz and have an angular resolution of  $7.5 \times 8.5''$ . We present our catalogue of detected sources and investigate how our observations compare to previous radio observations. This includes investigating the flux scale calibration of these observations compared to previous measurements, the implied spectral indices of the sources, the observed source counts and corrections to obtain the true source counts, and finally the clustering of the observed radio sources.

**Description:**

Catalogues of the LOFAR sources observed in the XMM-LSS Field.

**File Summary:**

FileName	Lrecl	Records	Explanations
ReadMe	80	.	This file
<a href="#">lxmmerg.dat</a>	300	3044	*Catalogue with merged sources combined and artefacts removed.
LXMMmerg.fit	2880	249	FITS version of lxmmerg.dat
<a href="#">lxmmorig.dat</a>	413	3169	*Original PyBDSF output catalogue
LXMMorig.fit	2880	388	FITS version of lxmmorig.dat

**Note on lxmmerg.dat, lxmmorig.dat:** Description of the parameters here are more fully described in [http://www.astron.nl/citt/pybdsf/write\\_catalog.html#definition-of-output-columns](http://www.astron.nl/citt/pybdsf/write_catalog.html#definition-of-output-columns)

**See also:**

- [J/ApJ/591/640](#) : XMM-LSS low-frequency radio counterparts (Cohen+, 2003)
- [J/A+A/456/791](#) : XMM-LSS field at 74 and 325MHz (Tasse+, 2006)
- [J/MNRAS/382/279](#) : XMM-LSS catalogue. Version I. (Pierre+, 2007)
- [J/A+A/471/1105](#) : XMM-LSS at 240MHz and 610MHz (Tasse+, 2007)
- [J/A+A/474/473](#) : XMM-LSS survey: AGN classifications (Garcet+, 2007)
- [J/A+A/490/879](#) : XMM-LSS field optical identifications (Tasse+, 2008)
- [J/MNRAS/401/294](#) : Optical identification of XMM-LSS sources (Stalin+, 2010)
- [J/A+A/557/A81](#) : XMM-LSS field X-ray sources classification (Melnik+, 2013)
- [J/MNRAS/429/1652](#) : XMM-LSS catalogue. Version II. (Chiappetti+, 2013)
  
- [J/A+A/622/A1](#) : LOFAR Two-metre Sky Survey DR1 source catalog (Shimwell+, 2019)
- [J/A+A/622/A8](#) : NGC 3184, 4736, 5055 & 5194 LOFAR & WSRT maps (Heesen+ 2019)
- [J/A+A/622/A11](#) : LoTSS/HETDEX. Optical quasars. I. (Guerkant+, 2019)
- [J/A+A/622/A13](#) : VLA double-double radio galaxy candidates images (Mahatma+, 2019)
- [J/A+A/622/A15](#) : Broad absorption line quasars in LDR1 (Morabito+, 2019)
- [J/A+A/622/A23](#) : LoTSS HCG and MLCG systems (Nikiel-wroczynski+, 2019)

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Bytes	Format	Units	Label	Explanations
1- 19	A19	---	IAUSourceID	Source ID in IAU convention (IAUSourceID)
21- 24	I4	---	SourceID	[0/3043] Source ID in catalogue (Source_ID)
26- 29	I4	---	PMSourceID	[0/3165] Source ID from Original

				PyBDSF Catalogue
				(PrematchedSource_ID)
31- 39	F9.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	RAdeg	Right ascension (J2000.0) (RA)
41- 48	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_RAdeg	Error in Right ascension (E_RA)
50- 58	F9.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	DEdeg	Declination (J2000.0) (DEC)
61- 68	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_DEdeg	Error in Declination (E_DEC)
70- 81	F12.6	<a href="#">mJy</a>	FTotal	Total Flux Density at 144MHz (Total_flux)
83- 91	F9.6	<a href="#">mJy</a>	e_FTotal	Error in Total Flux Density at 144MHz (ETotalflux)
93-103	F11.6	<a href="#">mJy/beam</a>	FPeak	Peak Flux Density per beam at 144MHz (Peak_flux)
105-112	F8.6	<a href="#">mJy/beam</a>	e_FPeak	Error in Peak Flux Density per beam at 144MHz (EPeakflux)
114-122	F9.6	<a href="#">arcsec</a>	Maj	?-- Major axis (Maj)
124-132	F9.6	<a href="#">arcsec</a>	e_Maj	?-- Error in Major Axis (E_Maj)
134-142	F9.6	<a href="#">arcsec</a>	Min	?-- Minor Axis (Min)
144-151	F8.6	<a href="#">arcsec</a>	e_Min	?-- Error in Minor axis (E_Min)
153-162	F10.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	PA	?-- Position Angle (PA)
164-173	F10.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_PA	?-- Error in Position Angle (E_PA)
175-183	F9.6	<a href="#">arcsec</a>	DCMaj	?-- Deconvolved Major axis (DC_Maj)
185-193	F9.6	<a href="#">arcsec</a>	e_DCMaj	?-- Error in Deconvolved Major axis (EDcMaj)
195-203	F9.6	<a href="#">arcsec</a>	DCMin	?-- Deconvolved Minor axis (DC_Min)
205-212	F8.6	<a href="#">arcsec</a>	e_DCMin	?-- Error in Deconvolved Minor axis (EDcMin)
214-223	F10.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	DCPA	?-- Deconvolved Position Angle (DC_PA)
225-234	F10.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_DCPA	?-- Error in Deconvolved Position Angle (EDcPA)
236-245	F10.6	<a href="#">arcsec</a>	CompSize	?-- Size of composite sources (Composite_Size)
247	I1	---	Nsources	Number of sources combined together (N_sources)
249-252	I4	---	MatchID1	?=0 Matched component ID from original PyBDSF catalogue (Matched_ID1)
254-257	I4	---	MatchID2	?=0 Matched component ID from original PyBDSF catalogue (Matched_ID2)
259-262	I4	---	MatchID3	?=0 Matched component ID from original PyBDSF catalogue (Matched_ID3)
264-267	I4	---	MatchID4	?=0 Matched component ID from original PyBDSF catalogue (Matched_ID4)
269	I1	---	Edge	[0/1] Flagged if near edge of field (1 = near edge) (Edge) <a href="#">(1)</a>
271	I1	---	Bright	[0/1] Flagged if bright source with artefacts (1 = bright) (Bright) <a href="#">(2)</a>
273-280	F8.6	<a href="#">mJy/beam</a>	rmscentral	rms value in map at central position (rms_central)
282-290	F9.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	RAFdeg	Right ascension corrected to FIRST (RA_FIRST)
292-300	F9.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	DEFdeg	Declination corrected to FIRST (DEC_FIRST)

**Note (1):** Flag as follows:  
1 = near edge

**Note (2):** Flag as follows:  
1 = bright

**Byte-by-byte Description of file:** [lxmmorig.dat](#)

Bytes	Format	Units	Label	Explanations
1- 4	I4	---	PMSourceID	[0/3168] Source ID in catalogue (Source_ID)
6- 9	I4	---	IslID	[0/3191] Island ID in catalogue (Isl_ID)
11- 19	F9.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	RAdeg	Right ascension (J2000.0) (RA)
21- 28	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_RAdeg	Error in Right ascension (E_RA)
30- 38	F9.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	DEdeg	Declination (J2000.0) (DEC)
40- 47	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_DEdeg	Error in Declination (E_DEC)
49- 57	F9.6	<a href="#">Jy</a>	FTotal	Total Flux at 144MHz (Total_flux)
59- 66	F8.6	<a href="#">Jy</a>	e_FTotal	Error in Total Flux at 144MHz (ETotalflux)
68- 75	F8.6	<a href="#">Jy/beam</a>	FPeak	Peak Flux at 144MHz (Peak_flux)
77- 84	F8.6	<a href="#">Jy/beam</a>	e_FPeak	Error in Peak Flux at 144MHz (EPeakflux)
86- 94	F9.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	RAdegmax	Right ascension at the maximum of the source (J2000.0) (RA_max)
96-103	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_RAdegmax	Error in Right ascension at the maximum of the source (ERAmx)
105-113	F9.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	DEdegmax	Declination at the maximum of the source (J2000.0) (DEC_max)
115-122	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_DEdegmax	Error in Declination at the maximum of the source (EDcMx)
124-131	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	Maj	Major axis (Maj)
133-140	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_Maj	Error in Major Axis (E_Maj)
142-149	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	Min	Minor Axis (Min)
151-158	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_Min	Error in Minor axis (E_Min)
160-169	F10.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	PA	Position Angle (PA)
171-180	F10.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_PA	Error in Position Angle (E_PA)
182-189	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	Majimgpl	Major axis--image plane (MajimgPlane)
191-198	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_Majimgpl	Error in Major Axis--image plane

				(E <sub>Majimg_plane</sub> )
200-207	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	Minimgpl	Minor Axis--image plane (Min <sub>imgplane</sub> )
209-216	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_Minimgpl	Error in Minor axis--image plane (E <sub>Minimg_plane</sub> )
218-227	F10.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	PAimgpl	Position Angle--image plane (PA <sub>imgplane</sub> )
229-238	F10.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_PAimgpl	Error in Position Angle--image plane (E <sub>PAimg_plane</sub> )
240-247	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	DCMaj	Deconvolved Major axis (DC_Maj)
249-256	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_DCMaj	Error in Deconvolved Major axis (E <sub>DCMaj</sub> )
258-265	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	DCMin	Deconvolved Minor axis (DC_Min)
267-274	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_DCMin	Error in Deconvolved Minor axis (E <sub>DCMin</sub> )
276-285	F10.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	DCPA	Deconvolved Position Angle (DC_PA)
287-296	F10.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_DCPA	Error in Deconvolved Position Angle (E <sub>DCPA</sub> )
298-305	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	DCMajimgpl	Deconvolved Major axis - image plane (DC <sub>Majimg_plane</sub> )
307-314	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_DCMajimgpl	Error in Deconvolved Major axis - image plane (E <sub>DCMajimgPlane</sub> )
316-323	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	DCMinimgpl	Deconvolved Minor axis - image plane (DC <sub>Minimg_plane</sub> )
325-332	F8.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_DCMinimgpl	Error in Deconvolved Minor axis - image plane (E <sub>DCMinimgPlane</sub> )
334-343	F10.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	DCPAimgpl	Deconvolved Position Angle - image plane (DC <sub>PAimg_plane</sub> )
345-354	F10.6	<a href="#">deg</a>	e_DCPAimgpl	Error in Deconvolved Position Angle-image plane (E <sub>DCPAimgPlane</sub> )
356-365	F10.6	<a href="#">Jy</a>	IslFTotal	Total Flux at 144MHz in the Island (Isl <sub>Totalflux</sub> )
367-374	F8.6	<a href="#">Jy</a>	e_IslFTotal	Error in Total Flux in the Island (E <sub>IslTotal_flux</sub> )
376-383	F8.6	<a href="#">Jy/beam</a>	Islrms	Average rms within island (Isl <sub>rms</sub> )
385-392	F8.6	<a href="#">Jy/beam</a>	Islmean	[0] Mean background within island (Isl <sub>mean</sub> )
394-401	F8.6	<a href="#">Jy/beam</a>	ResidIslrms	Average residual rms within island (Resid <sub>Islrms</sub> )
403-411	F9.6	<a href="#">Jy/beam</a>	ResidIslmean	Mean residual background within island (Resid <sub>Islmean</sub> )
413	A1	---	SCode	{SMN} Defines type of Source (S_Code) ( <a href="#">1</a> )

**Note (1):** type of Source code as follows:

S = a single-Gaussian source that is the only source in the island  
 C = a single-Gaussian source in an island with other sources  
 M = a multi-Gaussian source

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