

### **Optional Pulse Patterns:**

- 13-baud, 130 us (10 us baud) Barker-Code power profile data in raw and processed formats
- 16-baud, 480 us (30 us baud) Alternating Code as lag profile matrices or processed data
- 480 us (30 us sampling) Long Pulse as lag profile matrices or processed data

### **Beam Positions:**

- Any to accomplish your scientific goals; see the following website:
  - o <http://amisr.sri.com/portal>

### **External Datasets that can be Accessed Upon Request:**

- Raw voltage level data (hdf5 format) in either coded (e.g., pulse-to-pulse for D region) or uncoded (e.g., meteor) form (20100222.001 and 20100305.001)
- Lag profile matrices and spectra from a long pulse, fractional lag alternating code, dual plasma line experiment (20100520.001)
- Power profiles and lag profile matrices from a long pulse – barker code imaging experiment (20100227.001)
- Anything you find in Madrigal

### **Example of Things to do with Raw Voltage Data**

1. Understand pulse information / limitations
  - a. Matched filter / decode the voltage level data (coded pulse only)
  - b. How does the decoding process work?
  - c. What is the range resolution of this experiment?
  - d. What is the effective IPP? What are the tradeoffs here?
2. Compute power profiles
  - a. How is power dependent on experimental parameters?
  - b. How is power related to electron density?
  - c. How could one obtain absolute power (Watts) and absolute Ne (electrons/m<sup>3</sup>)
  - d. How could you compute the errors on these power measurements?
3. Compute the signal to noise ratio
  - a. Where should you get the noise estimate?
  - b. What are the pitfalls?
  - c. What does SNR tell you? Why is it important?
4. Compute power spectra
  - a. How would one compute spectra?
  - b. What is the spectral resolution and Nyquist frequency of this experiment?
  - c. What does the spectrum tell you?
5. Investigate spectral properties
  - a. How could one deduce spectral widths and velocities?
  - b. What does this tell you?
6. Further investigations
  - a. Winds, temperatures, meteor count rates, meteor histograms

## Example of Things to do with Lag-Profile Matrices or Power Profiles

1. Understand pulse information / limitations
  - a. How does this pulse work?
  - b. What are the statistics / errors of the data?
  - c. What is the range and time resolution of this experiment?
2. Compute power profiles
  - a. How is power dependent on experimental parameters?
  - b. How is power related to electron density?
  - c. How could one obtain absolute power (Watts) and absolute Ne (electrons/m<sup>3</sup>)
  - d. How could you compute the errors on these power measurements?
3. Compute the signal to noise ratio
  - a. Where should you get the noise estimate?
  - b. What are the pitfalls?
  - c. What does SNR tell you? Why is it important?
4. Compute power spectra
  - a. How would one compute spectra?
  - b. What is the spectral resolution and Nyquist frequency of this experiment?
  - c. What does the spectrum tell you?
5. Investigate spectral properties
  - a. How could one deduce spectral widths and velocities?
  - b. What does this tell you?
  - c. How does the spectra vary with geophysical parameters (e.g., altitude)? Why?
6. Further investigations
  - a. Winds, temperatures, etc.?

## Examples of Things to do with Multiple Beam, Processed/Fitted Data

- E.g., Imaging (many beam) barker code and long pulse data
  1. Understand pulse information / limitations
    - a. How does this pulse work?
    - b. What are the statistics / errors of the data?
    - c. What is the range and time resolution of this experiment?
  2. Compute power profiles
    - a. How is power dependent on experimental parameters?
    - b. How is power related to electron density?
    - c. How could one obtain absolute power (Watts) and absolute Ne (electrons/m<sup>3</sup>)
    - d. How could you compute the errors on these power measurements?
  3. Compute the signal to noise ratio
    - a. Where should you get the noise estimate?
    - b. What are the pitfalls?
    - c. What does SNR tell you? Why is it important?
  4. Understand pointing geometry
    - a. What kind of spatial resolution does this multi-beam experiment give you?
    - b. What are the tradeoffs?
    - c. What can you do with this information?
  5. Further investigations
    - b. Produce images of geophysical parameters, produce resolved ExB drifts, investigate evolution of features.

## **Example of Things to do with Interleaved Alternating Code and Long Pulse Data**

1. Understand pulse information / limitations
  - a. How does this pulse work?
  - b. What are the statistics / errors of the data?
  - c. What is the range and time resolution of this experiment?
2. Compute power profiles
  - a. How is power dependent on experimental parameters?
  - b. How is power related to electron density?
  - c. How could one obtain absolute power (Watts) and absolute Ne (electrons/m<sup>3</sup>)
  - d. How could you compute the errors on these power measurements?
3. Compute the signal to noise ratio
  - a. Where should you get the noise estimate?
  - b. What are the pitfalls?
  - c. What does SNR tell you? Why is it important?
4. Understand pointing geometry
  - a. What kind of spatial resolution does this multi-beam experiment give you?
  - b. What are the tradeoffs?
  - c. What can you do with this information?
5. Macrophysics
  - a. How could one compute electric fields?
  - b. How could one compute winds?
  - c. How could one compute currents?
  - d. How could one compute Joule heating rates?
  - e. What can you do with this information?