Highlights from the AusSRC Design Study Program

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SKA Regional Centres (SRCs)

regionally lead hubs of a global computing and data delivery network





collaborative effort to provide the resources needed to fully process, distribute, archive, and utilise data from SKA telescopes

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AusSRC Design Study Program (DSP)



Working with SKA precursors (e.g. ASKAP and MWA) science teams since Oct 2019. DSP will conclude Dec 2022 Goals = establish an organisational structure, develop requirements for an SRC, establish support and improve the science outputs from a range of projects using SKA precursors, and secure long-term funding



AusSRC DSP projects

- ASKAP science projects
 - EMU, WALLABY → producing/facilitating science
 - FLASH, POSSUM \rightarrow development phase
 - DINGO/HiVIS \rightarrow algorithm testing
- MWA science projects
 - EoR \rightarrow array-related development phases
 - Transients/BLINK \rightarrow algorithm testing
- Technical project
 - international SRC Network prototyping



MURCHISON WIDEFIELD ARRAY



Developing technology

 improving MWA EoR science = customised processing pipeline with newly developed software for high-precision calibration and analysis



data pipeline of the Murchison Widefield Array (MWA), located on the land of the Wajarri Yamatji people in Murchison Shire, Western Australia.

Birli reads MWA correlator visibilities in the gpufits file format using mwalib, which supports the existing "legacy" MWA correlator, as well as the in-development "MWAX" correlator.

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Developing technology

 reducing visibility storage requirements = sparse data storage and processing pipeline based on gridding of ASKAP visibility data



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Post-processing workflows

 event-driven workflow = triggered by "science-ready data products" uploaded onto CSIRO ASKAP Science Data Archive (CASDA)



Images credit: D. Pallot



Post-processing workflows

- multi-epoch image combination using parallel processing-based mosaicking tasks
- source and/or parameter extraction using Selavy, SoFiA 2, FLASHfinder, etc.





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Post-processing workflows

- advanced databasing and archiving
- data and database replication to external/overseas facilities

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AusSRC platform

- web-based user platform combining a range of programmatic and graphical interfaces
- 3 main components
 - science portal
 - cloud services
 - HPC processing



AusSRC (preliminary) user portal



OnDemand version: v2.0.13

Thank-you!

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