

A few slides on instrumental upgrades for the Parkes radio telescope

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Please talk at the meeting with George Hobbs, Shi Dai or Dick Manchester if you'd like more information



Slide 1: The Parkes ultrawideband receiver

Slide 2: The cryogenically cooled phased

array feed

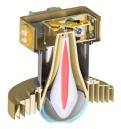
Slide 3: High frequency wide-band

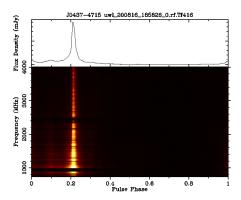
receivers



Ultra-wide bandwidth low frequency receiver







Single PPTA observation PSR of J0437-4715

704 to 4032 MHz operating frequency range.

~21 K system temperature
Installed and working well
Science updates with this
receiver will be provided by **Shi Dai** in this conference.

Used for all current PPTA observations

Developing:

- Commensal observing modes (spectral lines and FRBs and pulsars)
- Novel calibration procedures
- Oversampled filterbank
- RFI mitigation methods

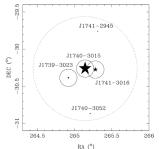


Cryogenically cooled phased-array feed





Prototype system



Simultaneous observations of many pulsars using multiple phased-array-feed beams

700 to 1800 MHz operating frequency range.

~20 K system temperature Funding obtained and building has commenced. Expected installation within ~2 years (for provision April 2022 Semester)

Will provide the opportunity to time multiple pulsars simultaneously, discover new pulsars and use new calibration/RFI rejection methods



Ultra-wideband high frequency receiver



The high frequency receiver will sit next to the low receiver and share the same backend equipment

4 to ~25 GHz operating frequency range.

~20 K system temperature Additional feed horn(s) to extend UWL package, shared backend

Currently establishing science case and seeking partners.

Expected funding request to be submitted in 2021.

Would then provide Parkes with continuous (and always available) frequency coverage from 700 MHz to ~25 GHz (without any receiver changes).