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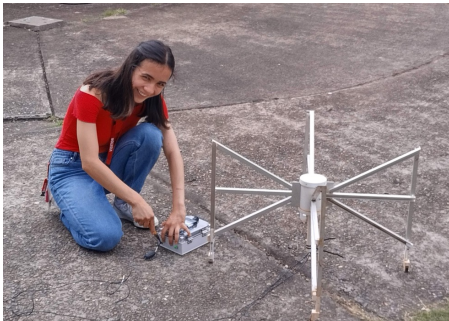
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To do radio astronomy
... you don't need an interferometer
... you don't even need a dish!





You do need an antenna



Antenna

Amplification

Filtering

Digitisation

Data processing
storage

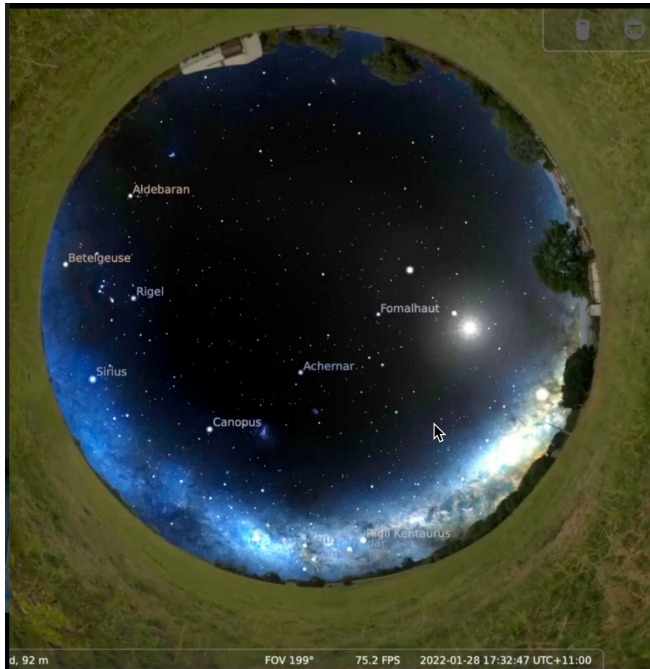
See JR's talk



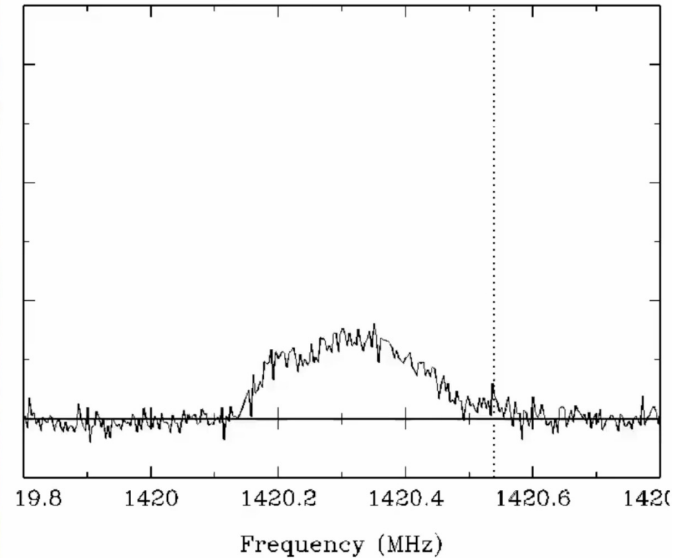
RTL-SDR Blog V3 R860
RTL2832U 1PPM TCXO SMA
Software Defined Radio (Dongle
Only) (Black)

★★★★☆ ~ 2,468

\$91⁶⁵



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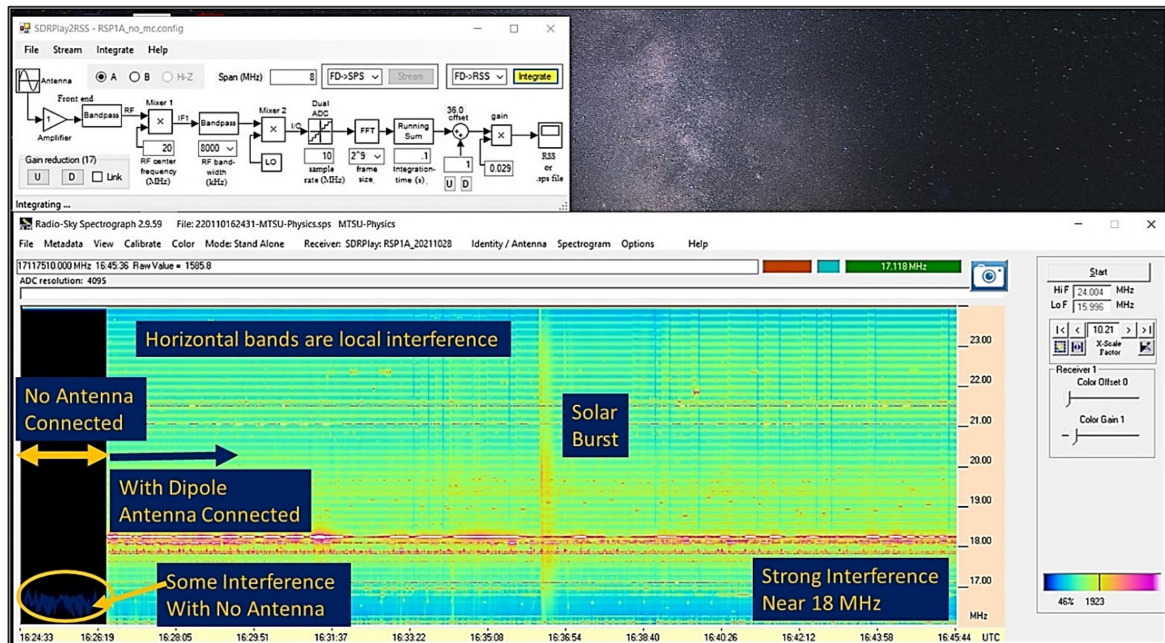


Movie from Tash Moy, a metal can and a \$50 software defined radio





Typical output



Example Radio JOVE spectrograph output using RSS display software. Note the large increase in signal denoted by the colored background after the antenna is connected.

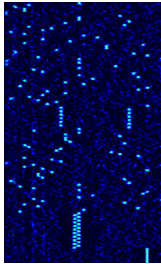
https://radiojove.gsfc.nasa.gov/radio_telescope/building_testing.php



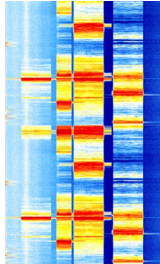
Waterfall plots/spectrograms

https://www.sigidwiki.com/wiki/Signal_Identification_Guide

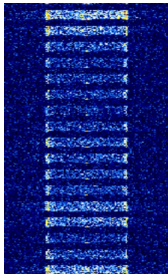
Time ->



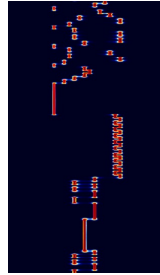
Inmarsat
1.5GHz



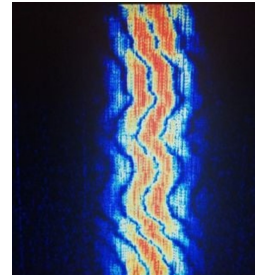
LTE
700-2600MHz



Weather balloon
400 MHz



Numbers station
3-30MHz

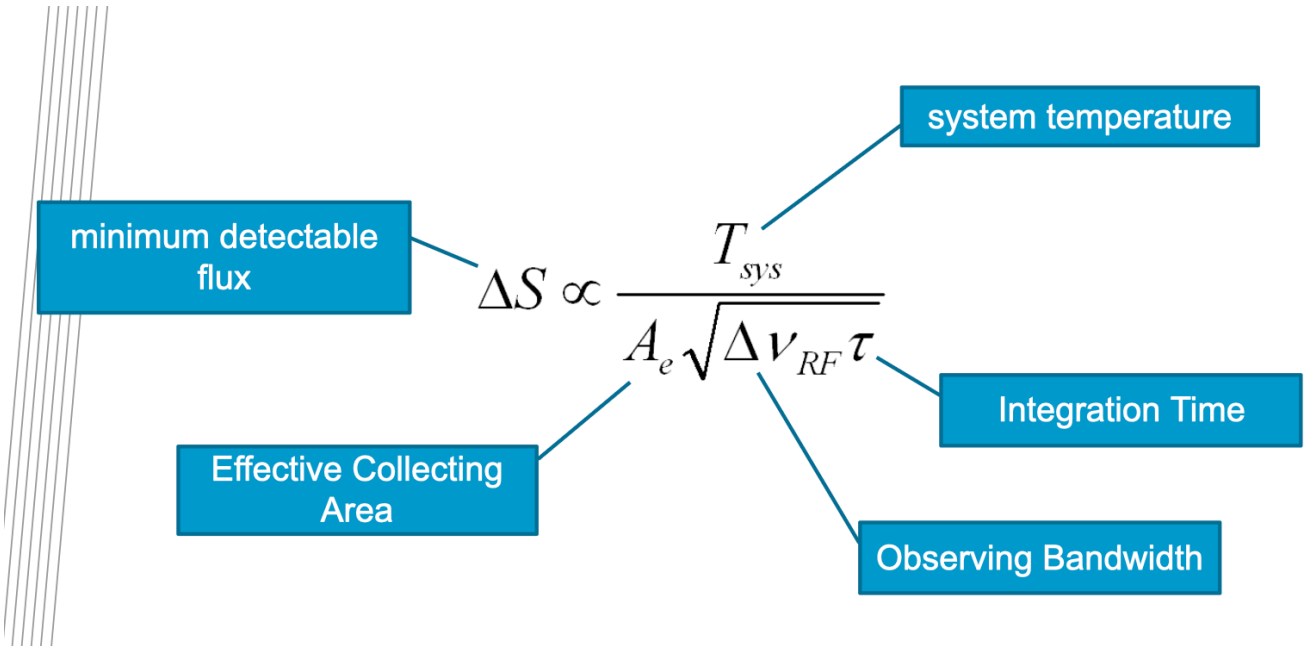


Unidentified
420 MHz

Frequency ->

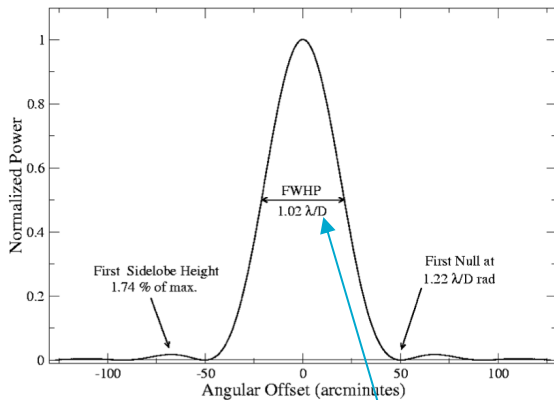
Signal strength as a function of frequency and time

The key properties



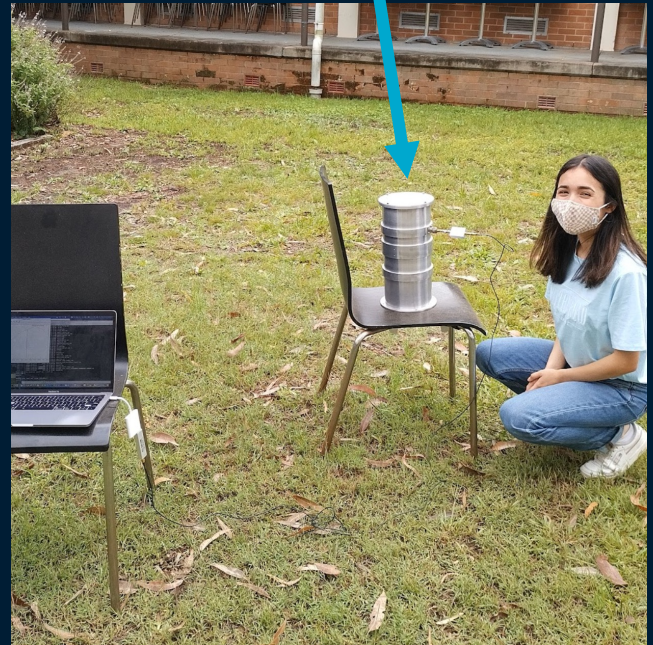
Why bother with a dish?

- Aeff ... goes up
- But ... field of view goes down



D = diameter

Aeff limited, or observing frequency will change





Let's have a dish!



500m diameter



38x25m



2m diameter





CSIRO's Parkes Murriyang Radio telescope



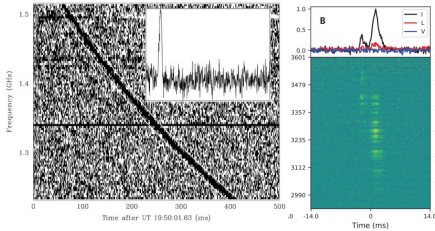
This is Parkes



This is not Parkes



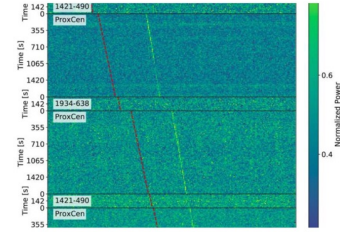
A quick look at some recent science with The Dish



Fast radio bursts



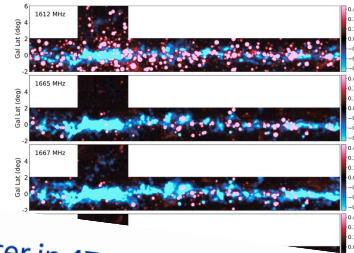
Gravitational waves



The BLC1 signal. Each panel in the plot is an observation toward Proxima Cen...

Breakthrough Listen
Candidate #1

OH spectral lines



A search for annihilating dark matter in 47 Tucanae and Omega Centauri

Lister Staveley-Smith^{1,2}, Emma Bond¹, Kenji Bekki¹ and Tobias Westmeier^{1,2}



Flare stars

Mark Myers/OzGrav

High-precision search for dark photon dark matter with the Parkes Pulsar Timing Array

Xiao Xue, Zi-Qing Xia, Xingjiang Zhu, Yue Zhao, Jing Shu, Qiang Yuan, N. D. Ramesh Bhat, Andrew D. Cameron, Shi Dai, Yi Feng, Boris Goncharov, George Hobbs, Eric Howard, Richard N. Manchester, Aditya Parthasarathy,

OH Maser variability with the Ultra-Wide bandwidth Low receiver at the Parkes 64m Murriyang Telescope

Anita Hafner,¹ James A. Green,^{1,2} Ashlie Burdon,³ Elena Popova,⁴ Dmitry Ladeyschikov,⁴ Shari Breen,⁵ Ross Alexander Burns,⁶ James O. Chibueze,^{7,8,9} M. D. Gray,¹⁰ Busaba Hutawarakorn Kramer,^{10,11} Gordon MacLeod,^{12,13} Andrey Sobolev,⁴ and Maxim Voronkov¹



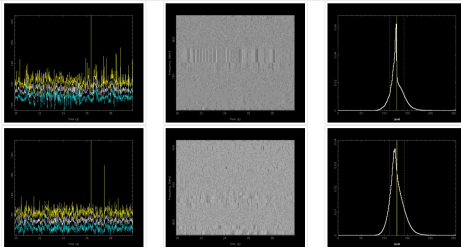
Thanks to Stacy Mader

Observing with Parkes is easy

- Just need a web browser

Continuum Fold Search

Sub-band 0 768 MHz



Sub-band 1 896 MHz

Status

Observation

Editor

Scheduler

Manager

Medusa

Help

Parameter Set

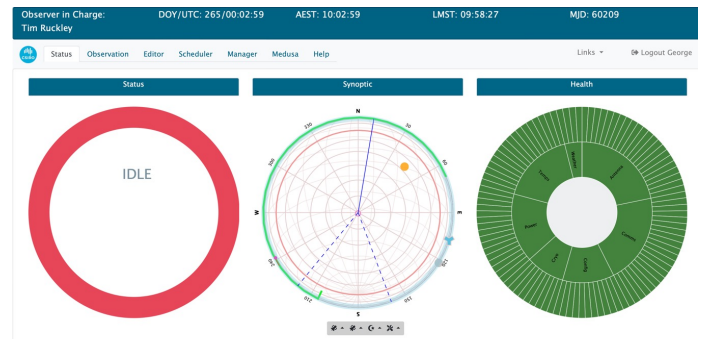
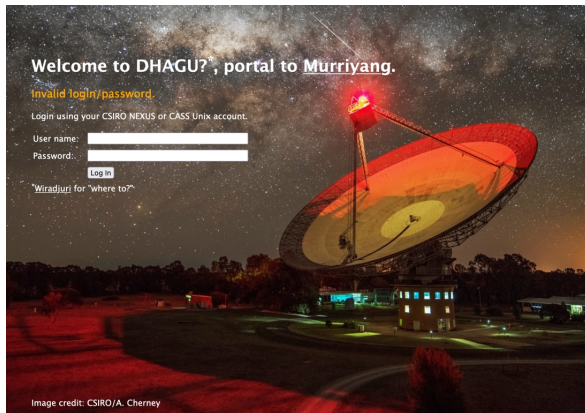
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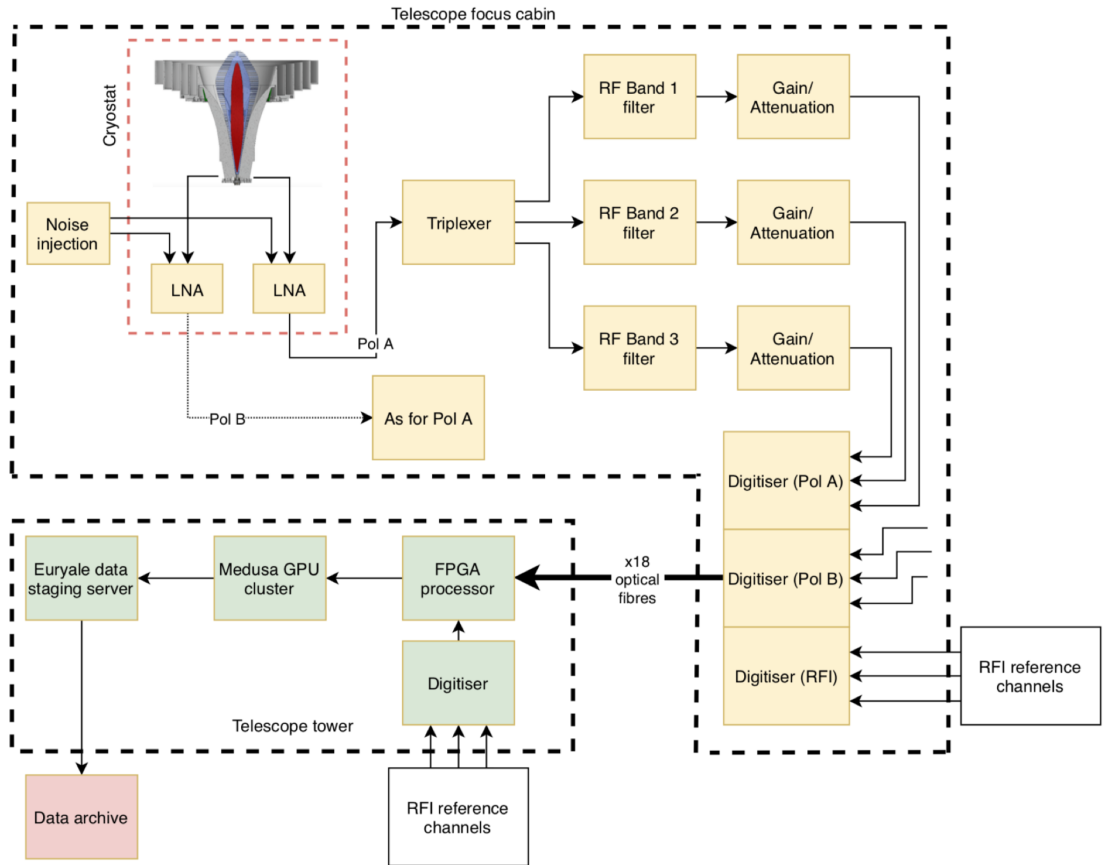
Update positions

Options

Load a parameter set, click column headers to reorder. Schedule by selecting and clicking on "Schedule".

Reload	Columns	Select all	Deselect all	Remove selection	Show comments	Clear table	Schedule	
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7		J0437-4715	23:21:00	09:55:00	230.469	29.760	false	5.89
8		J0437-4715_R	23:20:07	09:55:20	230.090	29.817	false	5.91
9		J0614-3329_R	01:22:17	11:07:29	252.511	43.896	true	4.98
10		J0614-3329	01:23:24	11:06:42	253.194	43.797	true	4.95
11		J0711-6830_R	01:08:46	13:13:08	200.763	47.120	true	8.07
12		J0711-6830	01:10:33	13:13:12	201.082	47.370	true	8.08
13		J1017-7156_R	04:08:10	16:28:42	177.536	51.302	true	7.10
14		J1017-7156	04:06:33	16:29:58	177.637	50.861	true	7.10
15		J1022+1001_R	07:37:22	13:09:06	8.430	44.916	true	3.90







Voltage data streams to frequency/time/power

Digitised voltage
data stream

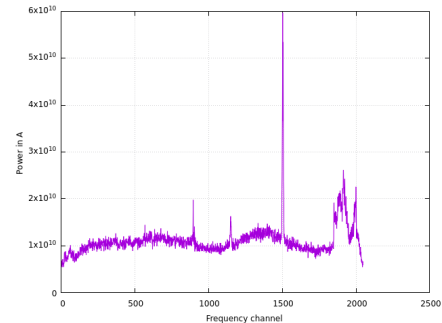
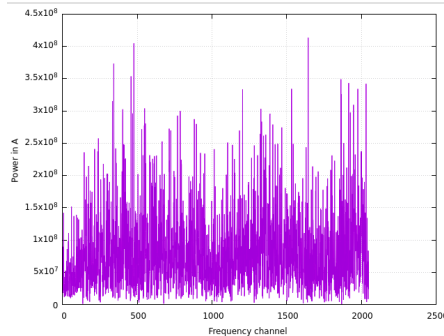
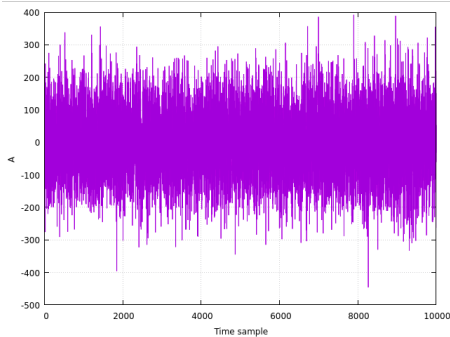
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raw: 119 32 -4 -17  
raw: -119 -31 -142 306  
raw: -88 11 -48 -239  
raw: 144 -9 98 3  
raw: -38 -217 -96 31  
raw: -111 -107 -30 136  
raw: 51 -42 5 83  
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raw: -58 -166 70 -102  
raw: 53 77 120 -201
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1GB/second

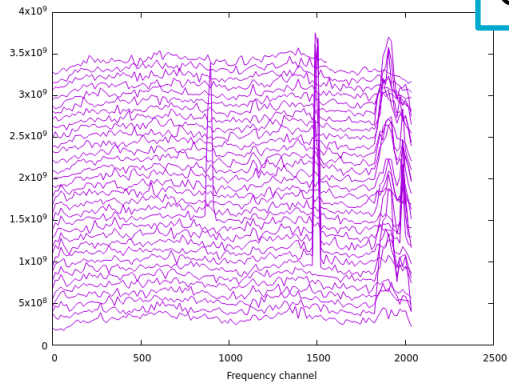
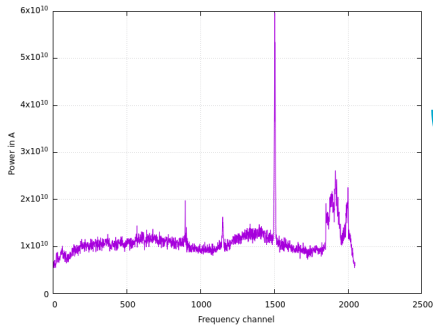
Select Nsamples =>
FFT => Power

FPGAs -> GPUs

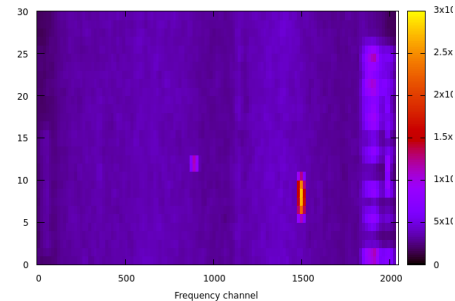
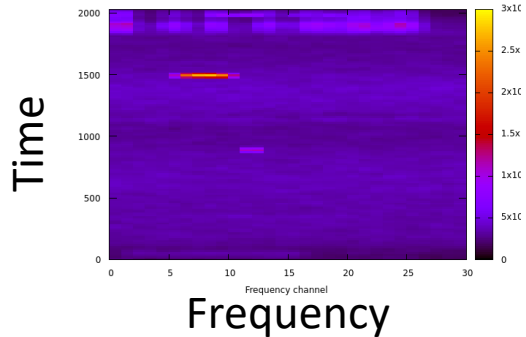
Integrate in time



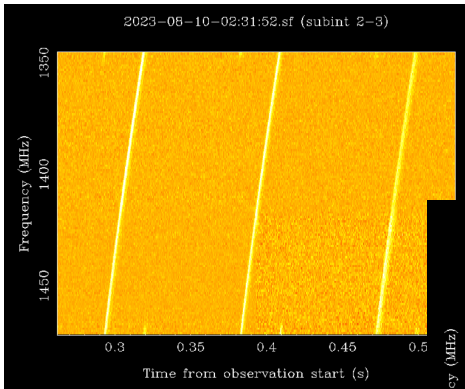
To high-time-resolution data sets



GPUs -> CPUs

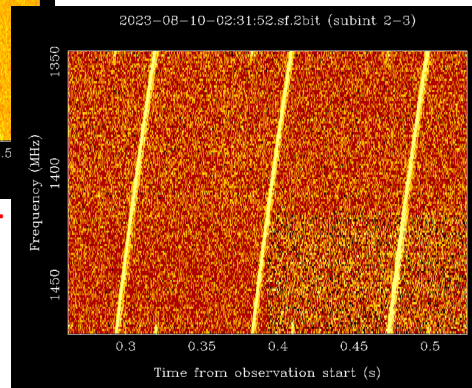


Reduce the number of bits in the spectrograms!



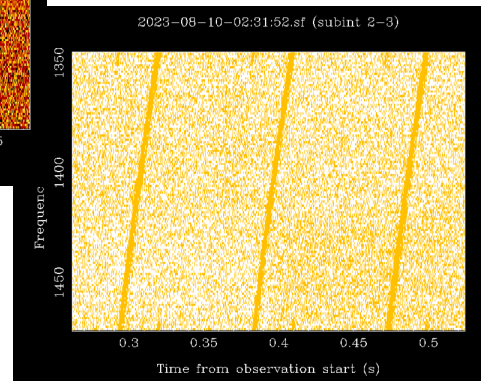
8 bits/pixel
~700GB/hour

↖- Freq



2 bits/pixel
~170GB/hour

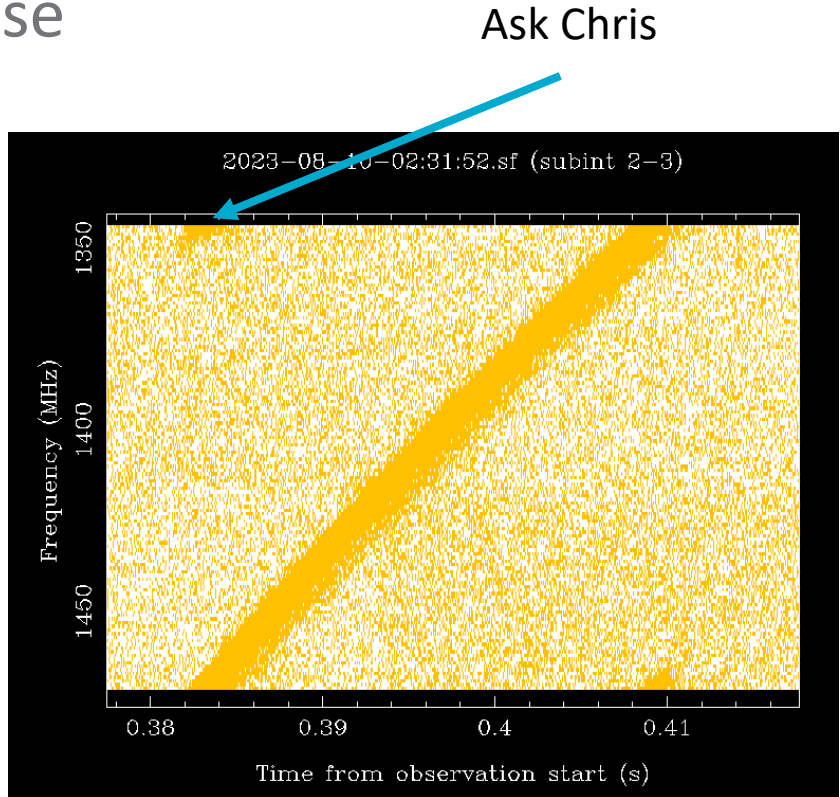
Time ->



1 bits/pixel
~80GB/hour

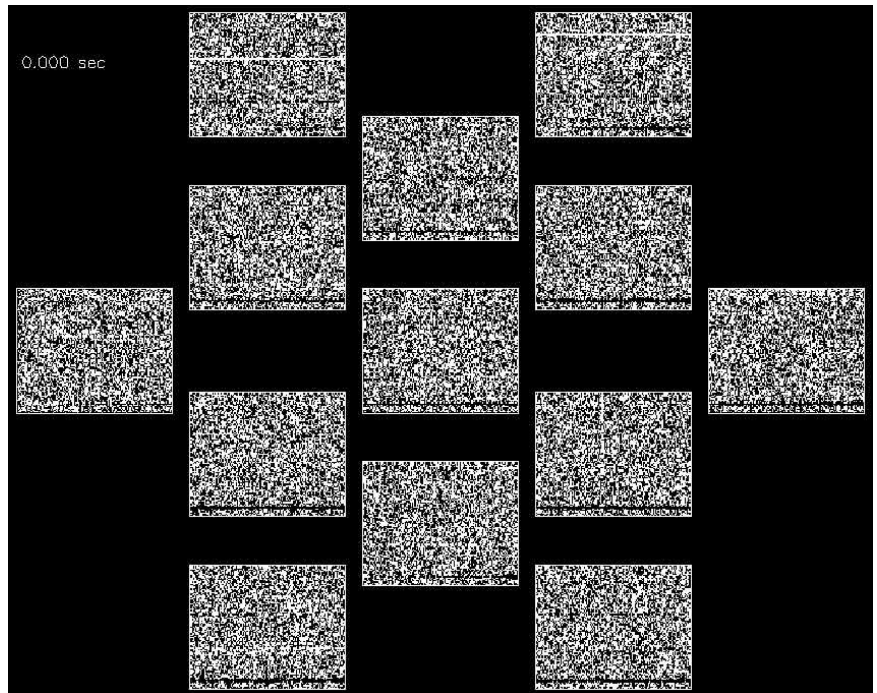
A dispersed pulse

Pulsar?
FRB?
RRAT?
Flare star?
RFI?
Alien?
...



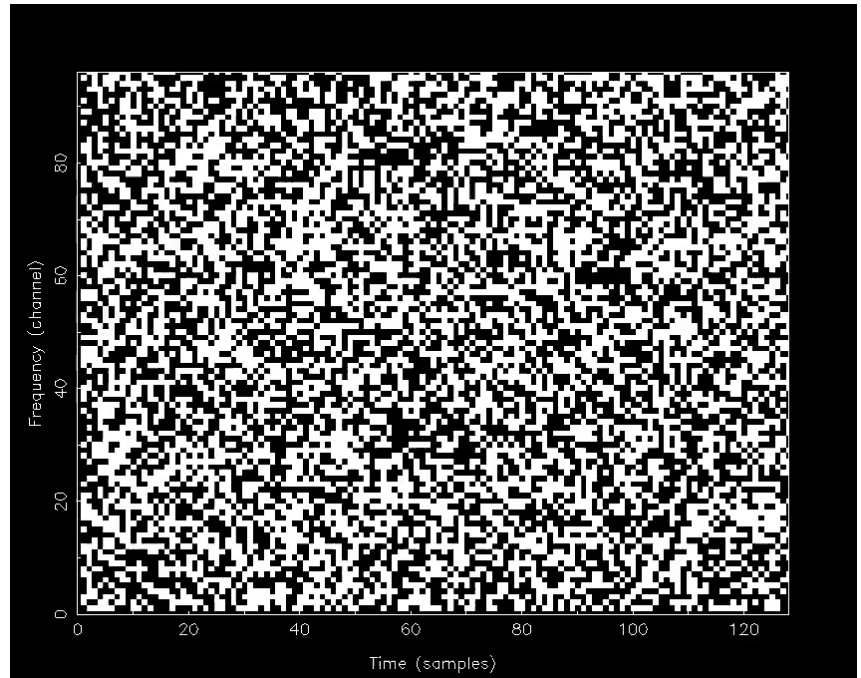
This is a single pulse
from the Vela pulsar

Multibeam and what is in the data?



What is in the data?

- Unexpected transients?
- How do we find the rare, unexpected events in TBs (or PBs) or data?





Have a play

- <https://data.csiro.au/domain/atnf>



Frequency (MHz): to

- OR -

Band name:

Observation mode:

Backend:

Frontend:

Quantum Machine Learning for Radio Astronomy

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Abstract

In this work we introduce a novel approach to the pulsar classification problem in time-domain radio astronomy using a Born machine, often referred to as a *quantum neural network*. Using a single-qubit architecture, we show that the pulsar classification problem maps well to the Bloch sphere and that comparable accuracies to more classical machine learning approaches are achievable. We introduce a novel single-qubit encoding for the pulsar data used in this work and show that this performs comparably to a multi-qubit QAOA encoding.

Uses Parkes
pulsar data

Software:

Presto, sigproc, pfits, heimdall ...



Have a go observing!

Observer in Charge: **Tim Ruckley**

DOY/UTC
264/06:59:36

LMST: 16:52:16

MJD: 60208

Status

Observation

Editor

Parameter Set

P595 (George)

P595

Load

Import CSV

Add row

Delete row(s)

Clear tab

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2	j0437-4715_R	(2000)
3	j0437-4715	(2000)
4	j0835-4510_R	(2000)
5	j0835-4510	(2000)
6	j1359-6038_R	(2000)
7	j1359-6038	(2000)
8	j1644-4559_R	(2000)
9	j1644-4559	(2000)
10	j1721-3532_R	(2000)
11	j1721-3532	(2000)
12	j1902+0615_R	(2000)
13	j1902+0615	(2000)
14	j2053-7200_R	(2000)

Table Global Change →

Drift

DriftContinuum

NoDrive

NoDriveContinuum

NoDriveContinuumFold

NoDriveContinuumSearch

NoDriveFold

NoDriveFoldSearch

NoDriveSearch

Scan

ScanContinuum

ScanContinuumFold

ScanContinuumSearch

ScanFold

ScanFoldSearch

ScanMap

ScanMapContinuum

ScanMapContinuumFold

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ScanSearch

SpotContinuum

Track

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TrackFold

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Help

Links

Logout George

Student Exploration online at Parkes

Selected parameter set: Handover_Tests_Search

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All

Low

Mid

High

Clear

16 2816MHz

17 2944MHz

18 3072MHz

19 3200MHz

20 3328MHz

21 3456MHz

22 3584MHz

23 3712MHz

24 3840MHz

25 3968MHz

Search

ACTIVE

OUTPUT NBIT

OUTPUT NCHAN

true

8

1024

Process subband in Search mode

Number of bits per output sample [1,2,4,8]

Number of output channels for Pulsar Search mode per sub-band (8-4096, power of two)

OUTPUT STOKES

OUTPUT TSAMP

OUTPUT TSUBINT

3

128

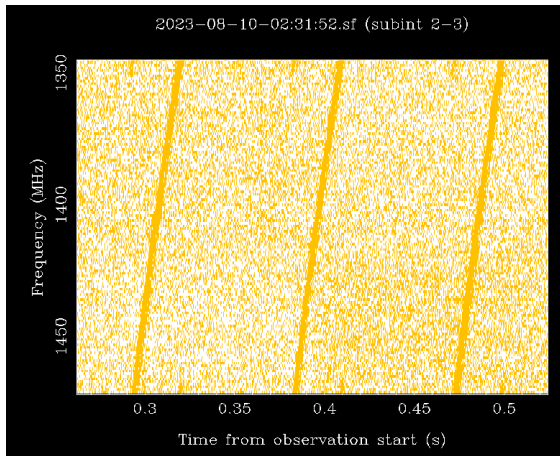
30

Stokes parameters to form [1→AA+BB, 2→AA-BB, 3→AA-BB,Real(AB),Imag(AB)]

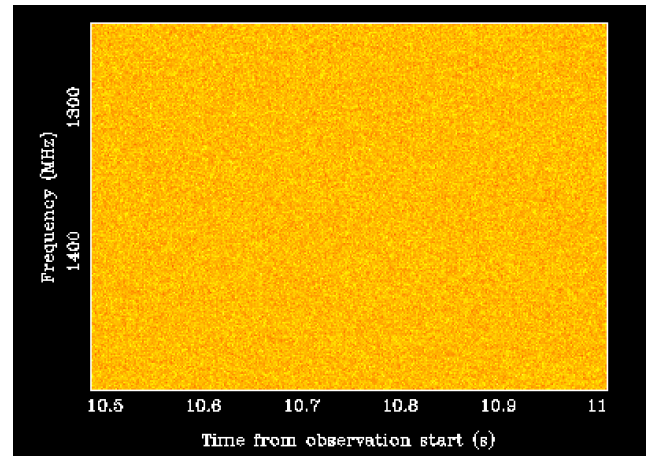
Output sampling interval in microseconds [1-1048576, power of two] unit = microseconds

Length of output sub-integration in seconds [15-3600] unit = seconds

Folding the data

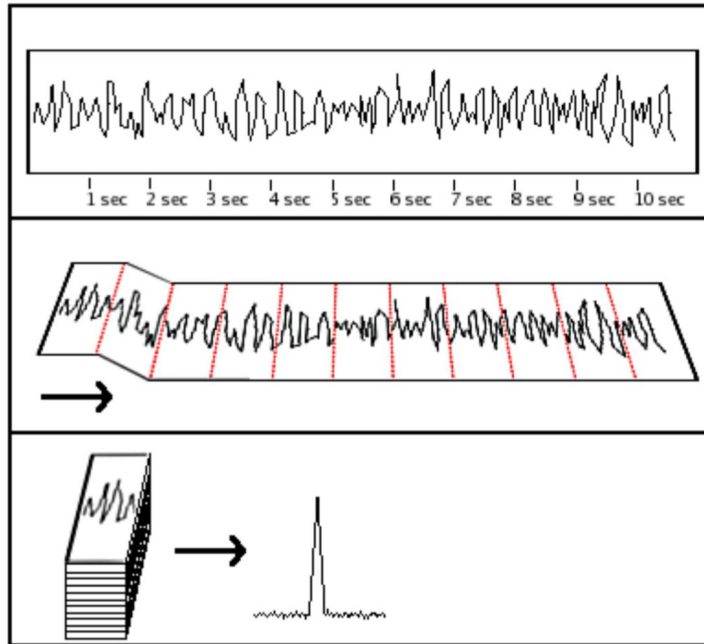


Easy to find the Vela pulsar!



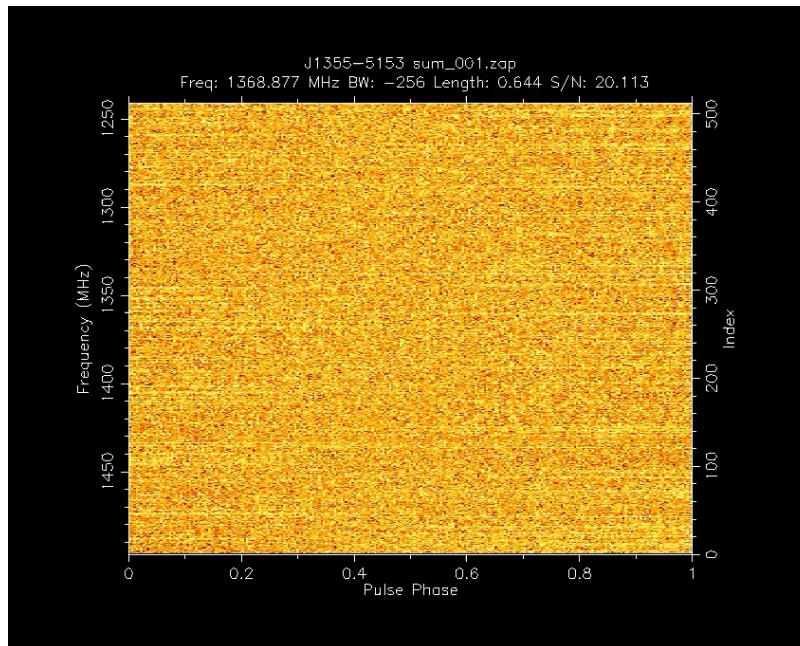
No sign of any pulses for this pulsar

But ... we know the period of the pulsar



Let's find that pulsar

- Folding the frequency-time data at the period of the pulsar





Have a play

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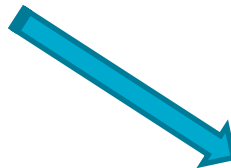
Parkes Pulsar Timing Array Third Data Release (part 1 of 2)

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About this collection

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Australian astronomers find possible 'fingerprints' of gravitational waves

This is the strongest evidence yet for low-frequency gravitational waves, building on our understanding of the universe.


Software:

Psrchive, pfits, tempo2 ...



Have a go observing!

Click here!

 Status Observation Editor Scheduler Manager Medusa Help

Links Logout George

Parameter Set

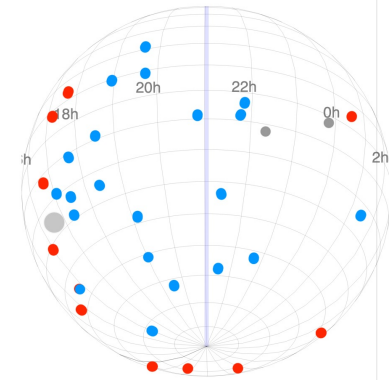
Load Update positions Options

Load a parameter set, click column headers to reorder. Schedule by selecting and clicking on "Schedule".

Reload Columns Select all Deselect all Remove selection Show comments Clear table Schedule

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27	J1600-3053_R	11:13:53	20:49:07	248.896	27.790	false	5.13
28	J1600-3053	11:15:35	20:49:08	249.432	27.784	false	5.12
29	J1603-7202_R	09:52:17	22:19:08	200.876	36.022	true	8.07
30	J1603-7202	09:54:22	22:18:10	201.438	36.094	true	8.10
31	J1643-1224_R	12:36:09	20:52:32	272.530	28.319	false	5.12
32	J1643-1224	12:38:12	20:51:44	273.189	28.152	false	5.12
33	J1705-1903_R	12:43:11	21:29:38	268.854	36.095	true	4.64
34	J1705-1903	12:44:53	21:29:24	269.435	36.046	true	4.64
35	J1713+0747_R	14:08:28	20:19:51	295.610	22.574	false	5.12
36	J1713+0747	14:11:30	20:18:26	296.199	22.374	false	5.12
37	J1723-2837_R	12:41:33	22:07:29	259.628	43.656	true	4.68
38	J1723-2837	12:42:39	22:07:08	260.146	43.611	true	4.66
39	J1730-2304_R	12:59:30	22:03:25	267.352	43.103	true	4.36
40	J1730-2304	13:00:55	22:02:43	268.033	42.971	true	4.33
41	J1741+1351_R	15:02:35	20:21:37	305.292	23.705	false	5.12

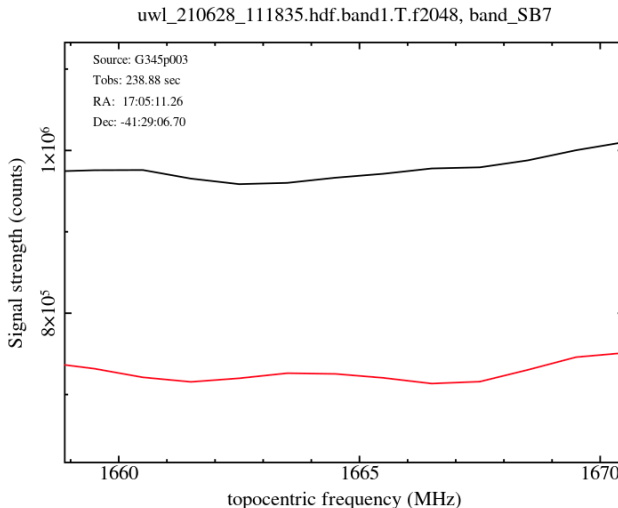
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Click+Drag to move; Mouse wheel/Pinch to zoom.

High spectral resolution data

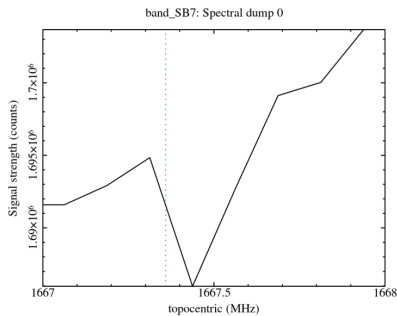
- Spectral line astronomers do not (usually) require microsecond sampling!
- But they want a lot better than $\sim 1\text{MHz}$ -wide frequency channels



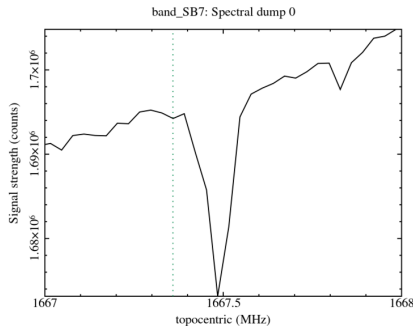
1 MHz channels

High spectral resolution data

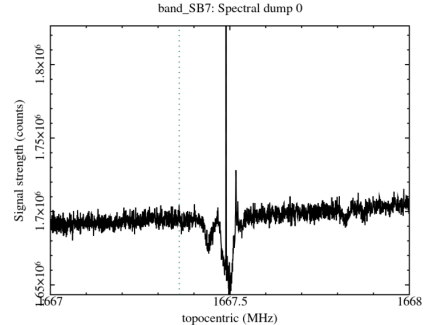
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125 kHz

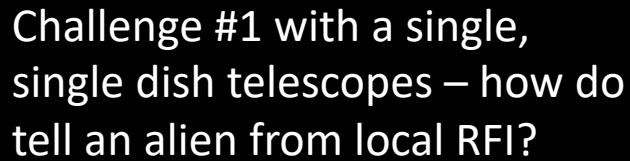


32 kHz



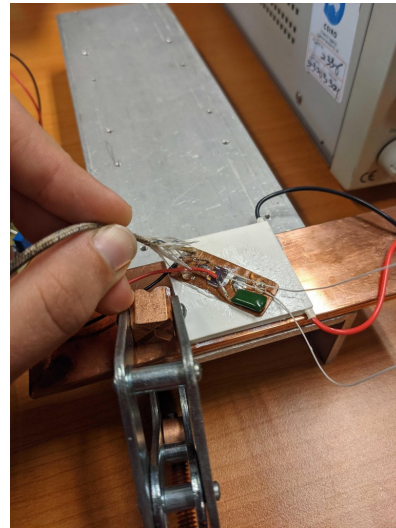
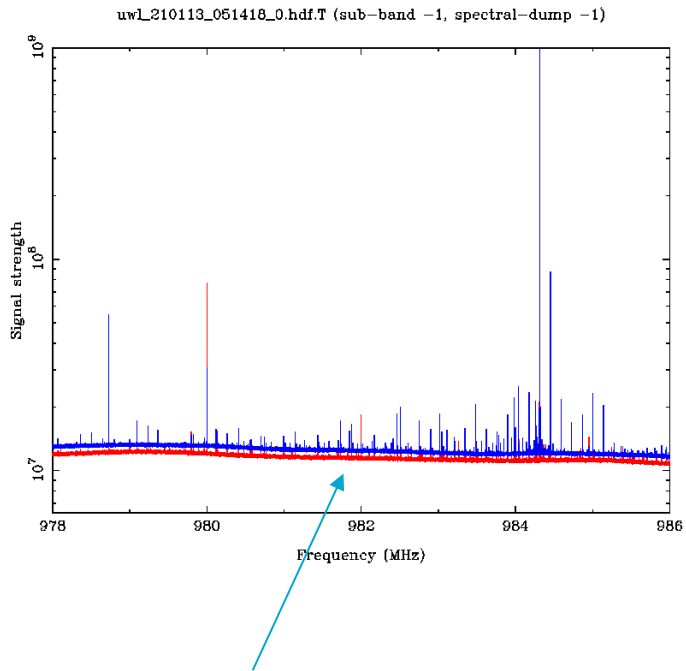
1 kHz

- High frequency and (relatively) high time resolution

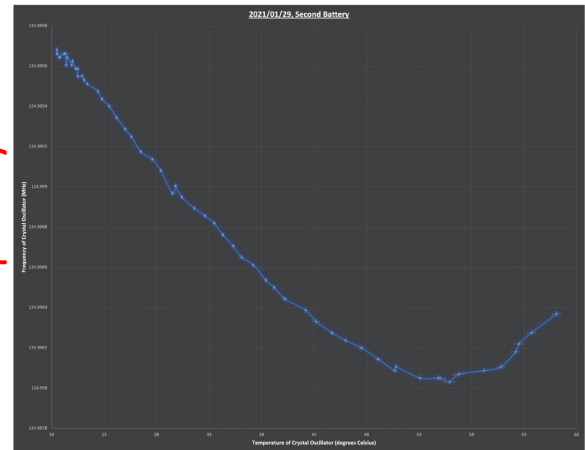




An alien?



Frequency

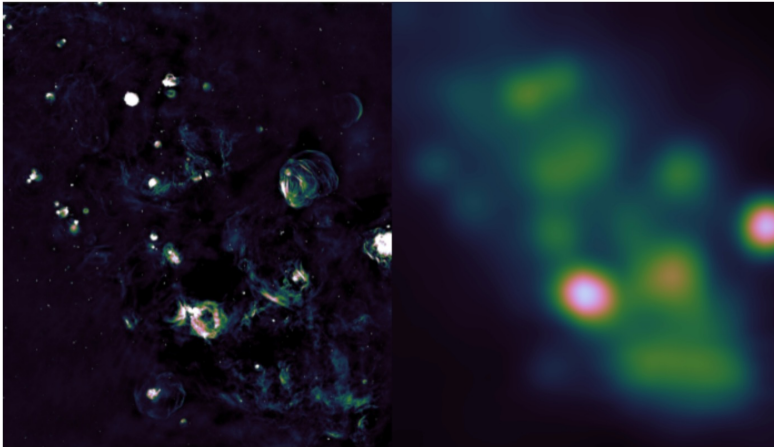


Temperature

Don't forget continuum observations

- Pulsars switch on and off, FRBs are mostly not there, spectral lines are restricted in frequency ... continuum sources are hard!

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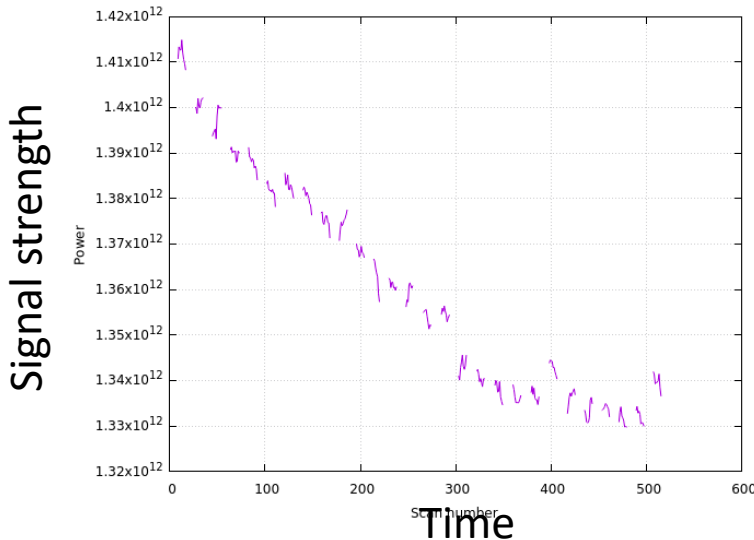
A. Hopkins ASKAP and Parkes

The resolution of radio-astronomy images depends on the size of the telescope. The Parkes Dish, Murriyang, is 64m in diameter, but the 36 ASKAP dishes are spread over 6km, proving almost 100 times better angular resolution. However, ASKAP's fine resolution but comes at the expense of missing radio emission on the largest scales, which are captured by the Parkes Dish. By combining the information from both Parkes and ASKAP, each fills in the gaps of the other to give us the best fidelity image of this region of our Milky Way galaxy.

Don't forget continuum observations

Challenge #3 with a single, single dish telescopes – stability

- Single dish telescopes measure everything: the sky, the Sun, the RFI, the ground, the Galactic plane, all the sources in the beam ...



This source does not vary in brightness.

How to deal with the apparent variability?

- On-off pointings
- Stokes V
- LST-aligned tracks
- Multibeams
- Multiple scans
- ...



- ### Expand Instructions

SDHDF: A new file format for spectral-domain radio astronomy data

Toomey, L. J.^a, Hobbs, G.^a, Price, D. C.^a, Dawson, J. R.^{a,c}, Wenger, T. J.^a, Lagoy, D. J., Staveley-Smith, L. d.^e, Green, J. A.^{f,k}, Carretti, E.^s, Hafner, A.^a, Huynh, M. J., Kaczmarek, J.^{a,j}, Mader, S.^k, McIntyre, V.^a, Reynolds, J.^a, Robishaw, T. J., Sarkissian, J.^k, Thompson, A. I., Tremblay, C.^a, Zic, A.^a

sdhdf format

[illegible]

Software:

Inspecta, various python scripts



Have a go observing!

Continuum

ScanMap Generator

Center

name	x	y
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Name	Center RA/Long coordinate	Center Dec/Lat coordinate
Value required.	Value required.	Value required.
epoch	cal	
<input type="text" value="J2000"/>	<input type="text" value="false"/>	
System	Calibration	

Parameters

mapSizeX	mapSizeY	scanDuration
<input type="text" value="30"/>	<input type="text" value="30"/>	<input type="text" value="120"/>
Horizontal scan length (arcmin)	Vertical scan length (arcmin)	Scan duration (seconds)
delta	direction	
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Scan separation (arcmin)	Mapping direction	

Continuum

ACTIVE

Process subband in Continuum mode

OUTPUT NCHAN

Number of output channels for Continuummode per sub-band [512-2097152, power of two]

OUTPUT STOKES

Stokes parameters to form [1=AA+BB, 2=AA,BB, 3=AA,BB,Real(AB),Imag(AB)]

OUTPUT TSAMP

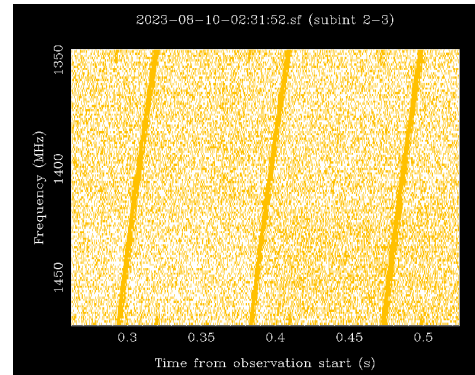
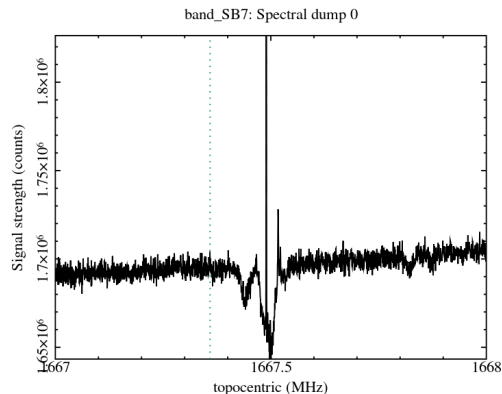
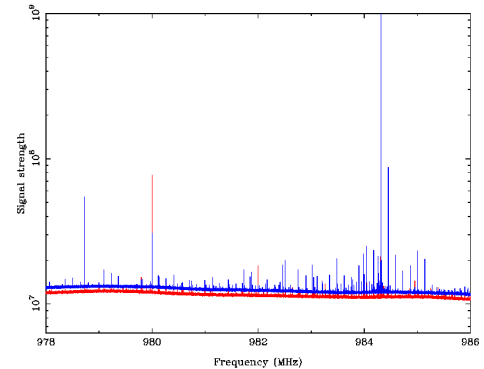
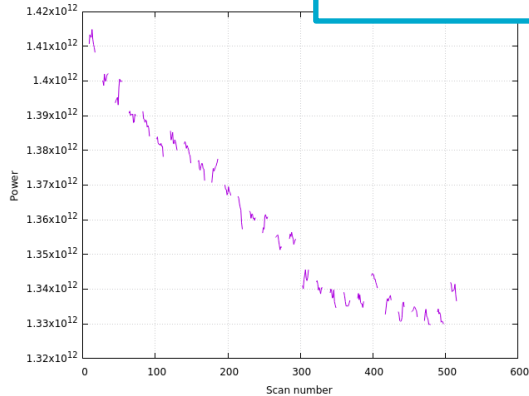
Output sampling interval in seconds [0.25-60] unit = seconds

OUTPUT TSUBINT

Length of output sub-integration in seconds [10-3600] unit = seconds

Calibration!

All the signal strength axes are “arbitrary”
What about polarization?
– how do we calibrate the data?





The pulsar papers on calibration ...

Under the congruence transformation of the coherency matrix, the Hermitian matrix

$$\mathbf{B}_{\hat{\mathbf{m}}}(\beta) = \sigma_0 \cosh \beta + \hat{\mathbf{m}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \sinh \beta \quad (27)$$

effects a Lorentz boost of the Stokes four-vector along the $\hat{\mathbf{m}}$ axis by a hyperbolic angle 2β . In the above equation, $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$ is a 3-vector whose components are the Pauli spin matrices. As the Lorentz transformation of a spacetime event mixes temporal and spatial dimensions, the po-

It is much simpler to relate δ to the boost transformation that results from non-orthogonal receptors. To determine the boost component of an arbitrary matrix, \mathbf{J} , the polar decomposition (eq. [26]) is multiplied by its Hermitian transpose to yield

$$\mathbf{J}\mathbf{J}^\dagger = |\det \mathbf{J}| \mathbf{B}_{\hat{\mathbf{m}}}^2(\beta) = |\det \mathbf{J}| \mathbf{B}_{\hat{\mathbf{m}}}(2\beta). \quad (36)$$

For a pair of receptors with gain, g , substitution of equation (20) into equation (36) yields

$$\mathbf{J}\mathbf{J}^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} g^2 & W \\ W^* & g^2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (37)$$

where $W = \mathbf{r}_0^\dagger \mathbf{r}_1$. Substitute $W = g^2 e^{-i\Phi} \tanh 2\beta$, so that $|\det \mathbf{J}| = \det(\mathbf{J}\mathbf{J}^\dagger)^{\frac{1}{2}} = (g^4 - |W|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = g^2 \operatorname{sech} 2\beta$, and

$$\mathbf{B}_{\hat{\mathbf{m}}}(2\beta) = \frac{\mathbf{J}\mathbf{J}^\dagger}{|\det \mathbf{J}|} = \sigma_0 \cosh 2\beta + \hat{\mathbf{m}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \sinh 2\beta, \quad (38)$$

The spectral line papers on calibration ...

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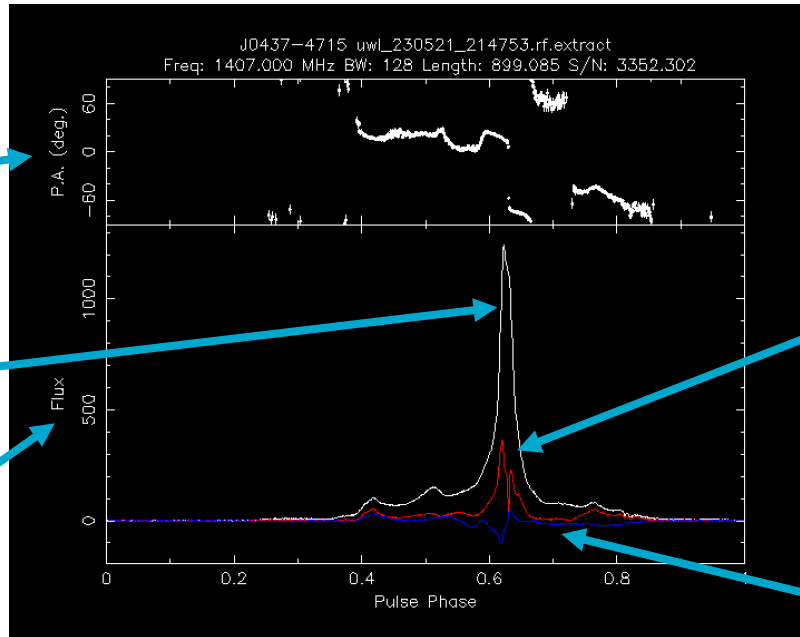
Somewhere in the middle?

- An observation of PSR J0437-4715

Position
angle of the
linear
polarisation

Stokes I

No
units



Linear
polarisation

Stokes V

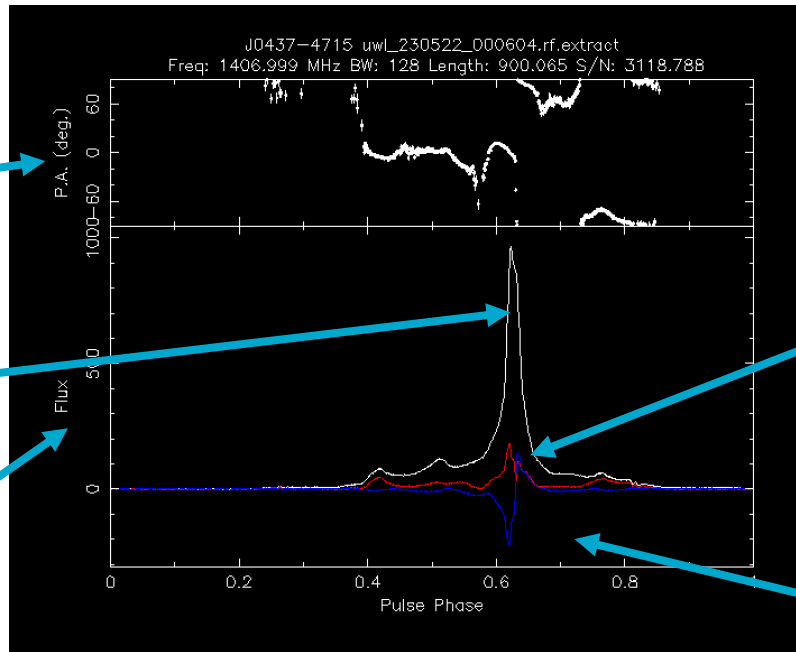
Somewhere in the middle?

- An observation of PSR J0437-4715 a few hours later
- It looks different

Position
angle of the
linear
polarisation

Stokes I

No
units



Linear
polarisation

Stokes V



Why?

modify the Stokes parameters. The Mueller matrix is the transfer function between the input and output of the device:

$$\mathbf{S}_{\text{out}} = \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{S}_{\text{in}}. \quad (4)$$

The Mueller matrix is, in general, a 4×4 matrix in which all elements may be nonzero (but they are not all independent). In the usual way, we write

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{II} & m_{IQ} & m_{IU} & m_{IV} \\ m_{QI} & m_{QQ} & m_{QU} & m_{QV} \\ m_{UI} & m_{UQ} & m_{UU} & m_{UV} \\ m_{VI} & m_{VQ} & m_{VU} & m_{VV} \end{bmatrix}. \quad (5)$$

<https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1086/323289/pdf>

Why?

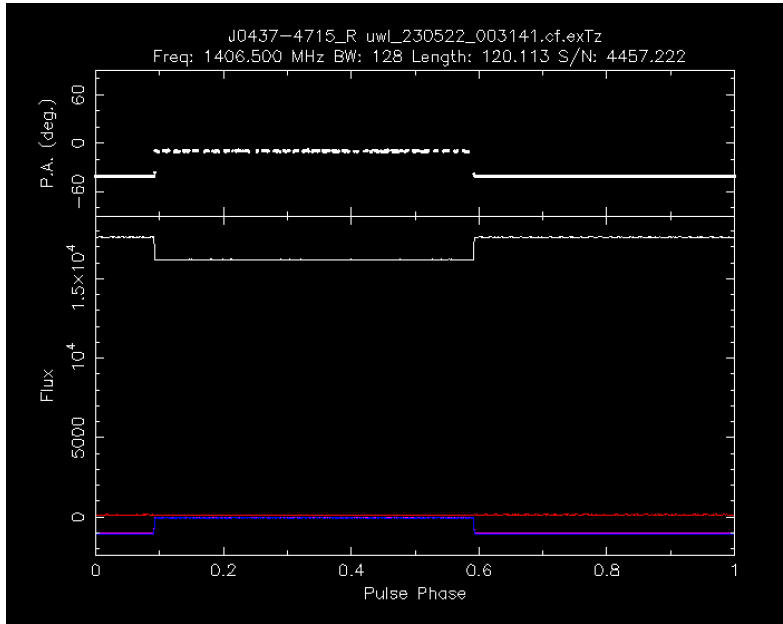
As we track a source with an alt-az telescope, the parallactic angle $P.A._{az}$ of the feed rotates on the sky. $P.A._{az}$ is defined to be zero at azimuth 0 and increase toward the east; for a source near zenith, $P.A._{az} \sim az$, where “az” is the azimuth angle of the source. The Stokes parameters seen by the telescope are (Q_{SKY}, U_{SKY}) and are related to the source parameters by

$$\mathbf{M}_{SKY} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos 2P.A._{az} & \sin 2P.A._{az} & 0 \\ 0 & -\sin 2P.A._{az} & \cos 2P.A._{az} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (9)$$



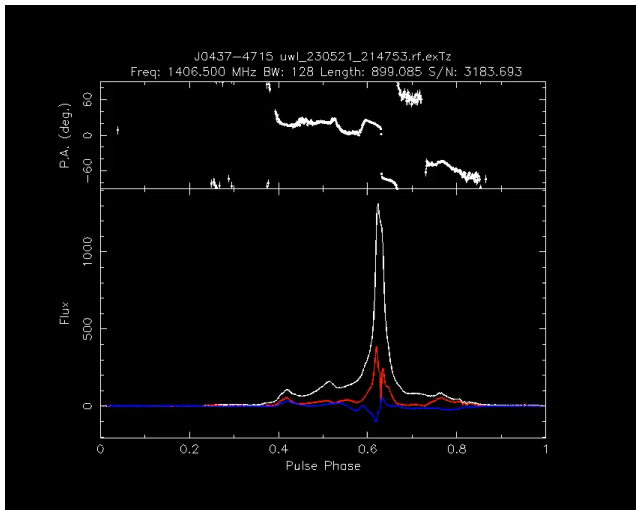
$$\mathbf{M}_{TOT} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & [-2\epsilon \sin \phi \sin 2\alpha + (\Delta G/2) \cos 2\alpha] & 2\epsilon \cos \phi & [2\epsilon \sin \phi \cos 2\alpha + (\Delta G/2) \sin 2\alpha] \\ \Delta G/2 & \cos 2\alpha & 0 & \sin 2\alpha \\ 2\epsilon \cos (\phi + \psi) & \sin 2\alpha \sin \psi & \cos \psi & -\cos 2\alpha \sin \psi \\ 2\epsilon \sin (\phi + \psi) & -\sin 2\alpha \cos \psi & \sin \psi & \cos 2\alpha \cos \psi \end{bmatrix}. \quad (22)$$

Where do all the numbers come from?

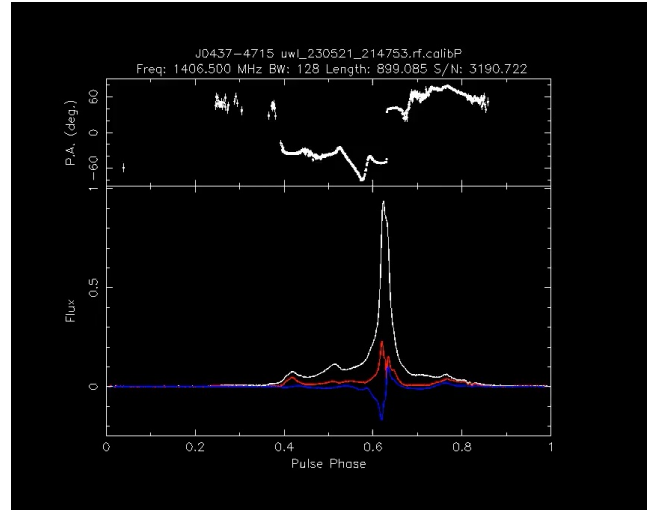


Use a stable, switching noise source injected into the signal path.

From rise to set



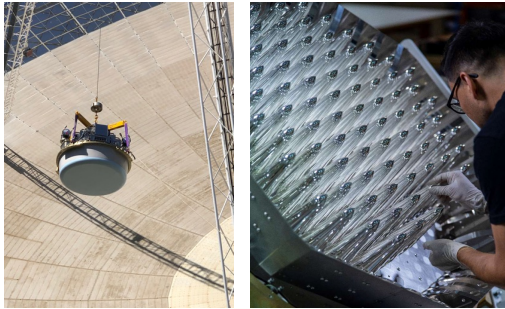
Raw data



After applying Mueller matrix



The future



Thursday last week
72 beams! 700-1950MHz,
 $T_{\text{sys}} < 20\text{K}$
Digital data rate out: 7.8Tb/s

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The world's largest fully movable low-frequency radio telescope project launched in Jingdong, Yunnan

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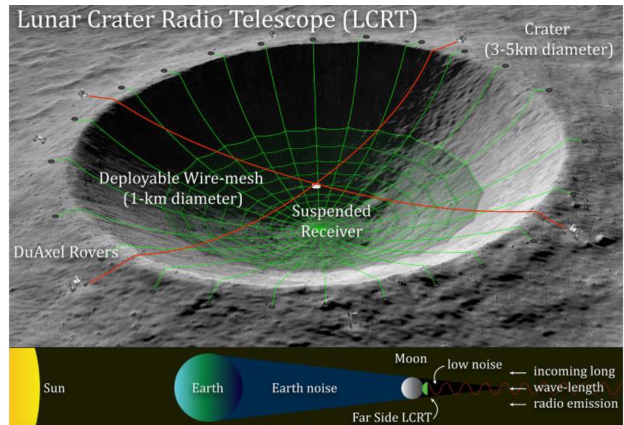


World's Largest Fully Steerable 110-m Aperture Radio Telescope Begins Construction

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