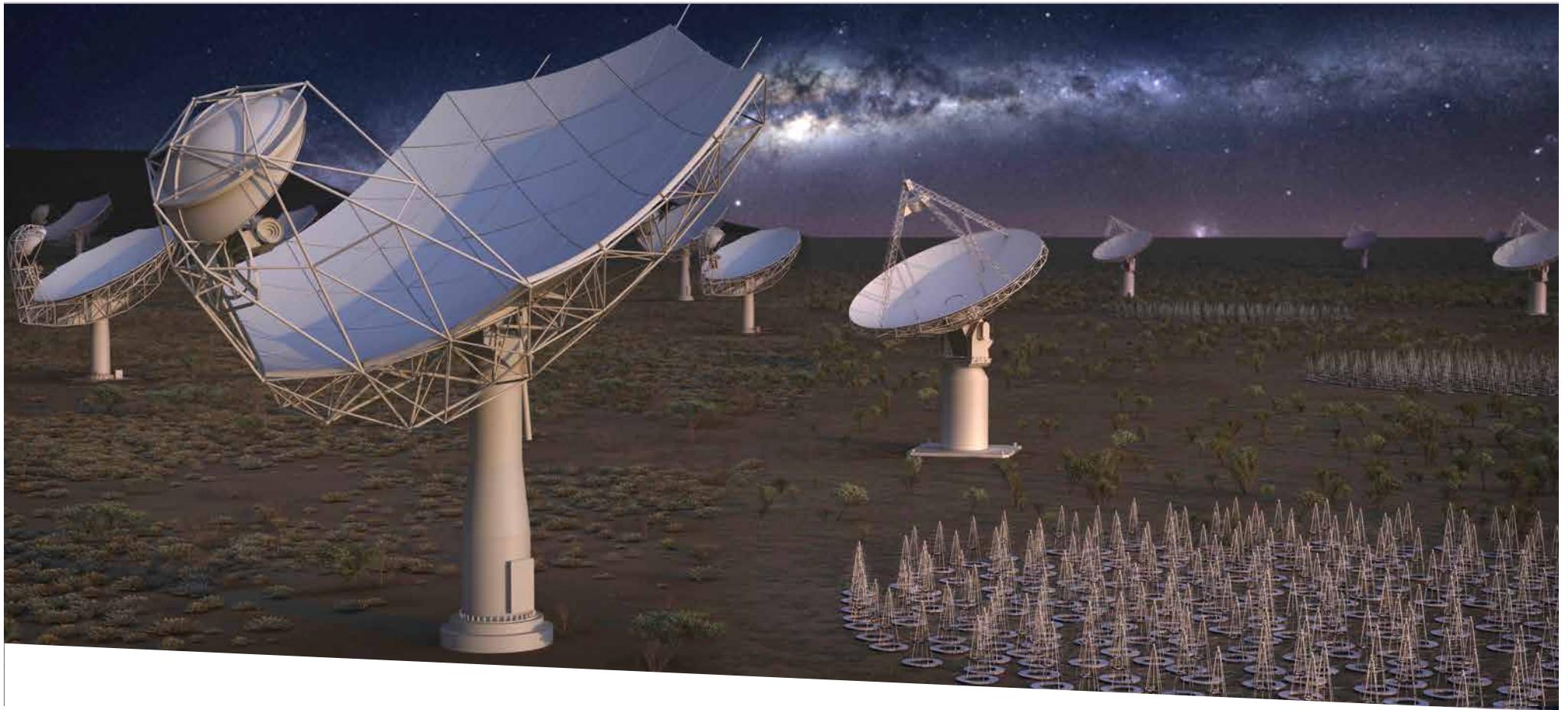


SKA SWG Update



SQUARE KILOMETRE ARRAY

Exploring the Universe with the world's largest radio telescope

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Agenda

- CDR Activities
- SKA Dish progress
- MeerKAT inauguration
- SKA calibration strategy and possible consequences of constrained initial HPC and archive capacity
- SKA Science Meetings
- Community Updates

CDR Activity – Updates

Element	RRN Submission	CDR Submission	CDR Meeting
TM	29 January 2018	28 February 2018	17-20 April 2018
SaDT & SAT	17 January 2018	28 February 2018	15-18 May 2018
INAU	19 March 2018	30 April 2018	27-29 June 2018
INSA	19 March 2018	30 April 2018	2-4 July 2018
CSP	18 May 2018 - PSS, PST, CBF-Low, CBF-Mid Sub-Element CDRs	30 June 2018	25 – 28 September 2018
SDP Pre-CDR	9 March 2018	25 April 2018	20 – 22 June 2018
SDP CDR	17 September 2018	31 October 2018	17 – 19 December 2018
LFAA	30 August 2018	11 October 2018	17 – 19 December 2018
AIV	30 July 2018	10 September 2018	8 January 2019
DSH Pre-CDR	7 September 2018	28 September 2018	8 November 2018
DSH CDR	1 Apr 2019 - Band 1, LMC Sub-CDR 20 Sept 2018 - DSH Struct Sub-CDR 12 May 2019 - Band 2 Sub-CDR 29 May 2019 - Band 5 Sub-CDR 23 May 2019	22 April 2019	5 June 2019
System			March 2019

Green: Successful phase

Blue: Updated from last report

Red: Post System CDR



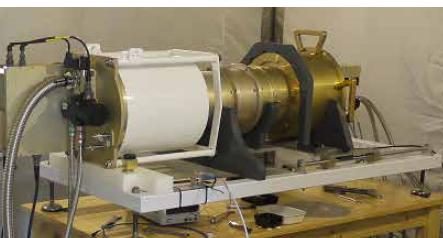
Dish Progress



SKA MPI in SA



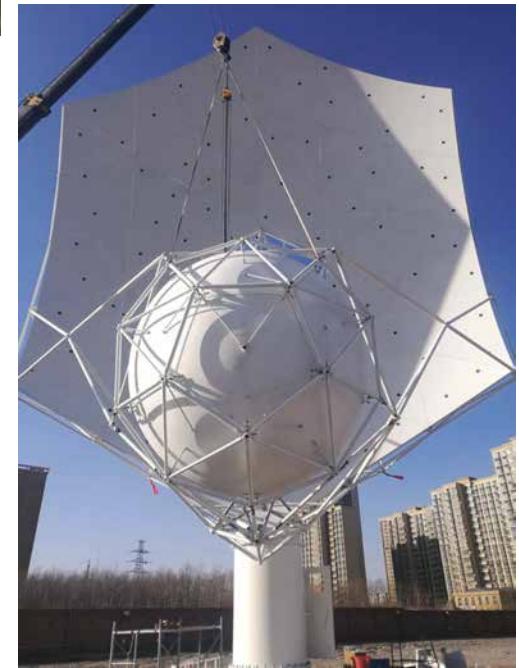
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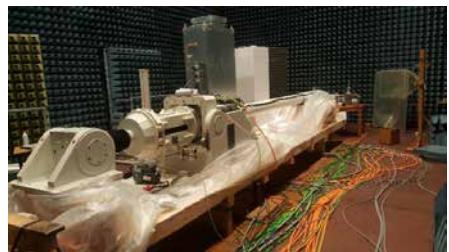
Band 2 Single Pixel Feed
under test at EMSS SA



Band 1 Single Pixel
Feed transport to site!



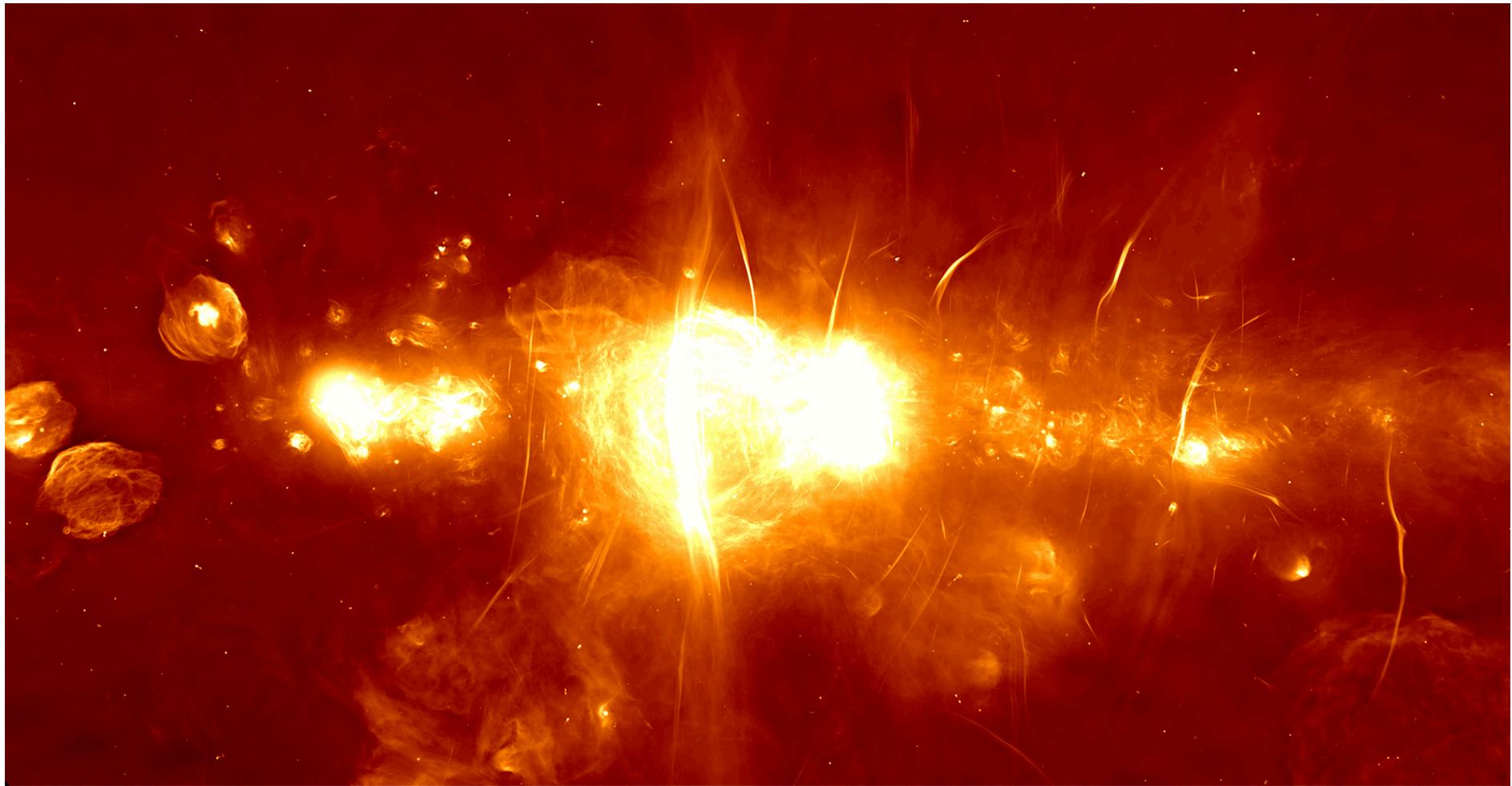
SKA P @ CETC54 China



EMI Testing of actuator



MeerKAT Inauguration, 13 July



- Eg. 20 pointing 1.4 GHz MeerKAT mosaic plus GBT total power
- Some Large Survey Projects will now get underway

SKA1 Calibration Requirements (Doc #941 released)

- Science Data Processor Parametric Model for SKA calibration and imaging has key parameters:
 - Use-Case Parameters: B_{Max} , v_{Min} and v_{Max} , T_{Point} (**total** depth for pointing)
 - Calibration Parameters: are all strong functions of (B_{Max} , v and T_{Point})
 - N_{Ateam} , number of all-sky “de-mixing” sources
 - N_{Source} , number of main beam and near-in side-lobe sources
 - N_{SelfCal} , N_{Major} , number of self-cal iterations, deconvolution cycles
 - N_{lpatches} , different directions requiring complex gain solution
 - τ_{Sol} , $(\Delta v/v)_{\text{Sol}}$, time and frequency resolution of gain solutions
- SKAO Model for functional dependence of the Calibration parameters on the Use-case parameters
 - Celestial source number densities and sizes
 - Dish/station beam solid angle versus attenuation



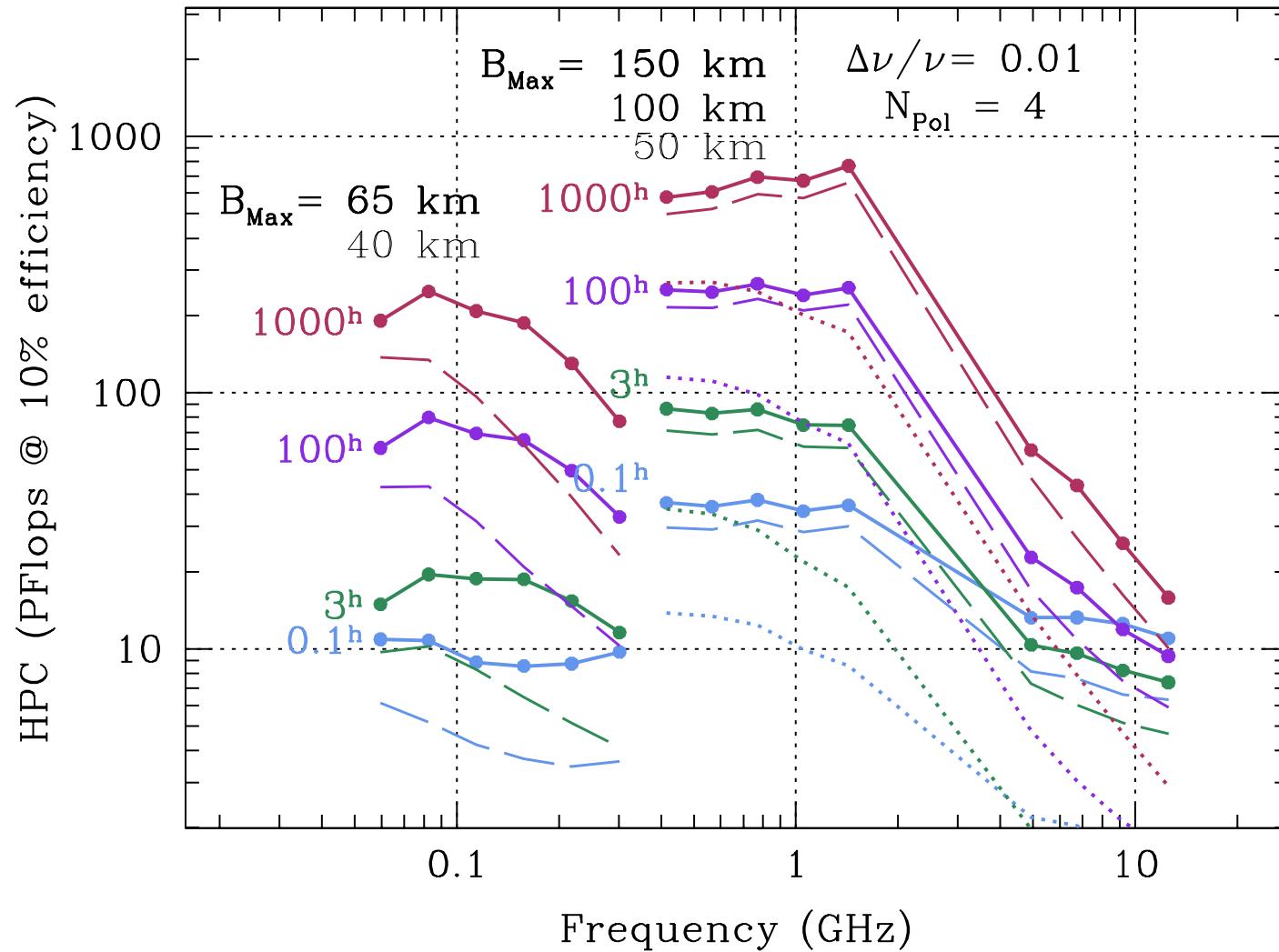
SKA1 Calibration Strategy

ν_{min} (GHz)	ν_c (GHz)	ν_{max} (GHz)	Sub-band	Band	N_{Ateam}	N_{Source}	S_{Max} (Jy)	S_{Min} (Jy)	$N_{\text{SelfCal}}/N'_{\text{SelfCal}}$	$N_{\text{Maj}}/N'_{\text{Maj}}$	N_{Ipatch}
0.050	0.060	0.069	Low sb1		19	36820	68	14m	6/1	3/1	336
0.069	0.082	0.096	Low sb2		15	35270	32	3.9m	6/1	3/1	180
0.096	0.114	0.132	Low sb3		12	28390	14	1.4m	5/1	3/1	93
0.132	0.158	0.183	Low sb4		10	24760	6.3	0.7m	5/1	3/1	48
0.183	0.218	0.253	Low sb5		9	17050	2.8	0.5m	5/1	3/1	25
0.253	0.302	0.350	Low sb6		8	9602	1.3	0.5m	5/1	2/1	20
0.35	0.41	0.48	Mid sb1	B1	8	29860	2.0	0.3m	6/1	3/1	36
0.48	0.56	0.65	Mid sb2	B1	5	25140	0.9	0.1m	6/1	3/1	20
0.65	0.77	0.89	Mid sb3	B1	3	21530	0.4	60μ	5/1	3/1	20
0.89	1.05	1.21	Mid sb4	B2	2	18770	0.2	20μ	5/1	3/1	20
1.21	1.43	1.65	Mid sb5	B2	1	16290	90m	15μ	5/1	3/1	20
1.65	1.95	2.25	Mid sb6		0	11430	50m	9μ	5/1	3/1	20
2.25	2.66	3.07	Mid sb7		0	6660	31m	7μ	5/1	3/1	20
3.07	3.63	4.18	Mid sb8		0	3770	20m	6μ	5/1	3/1	20
4.18	4.94	5.70	Mid sb9	B5a	0	2087	13m	5μ	5/1	2/1	20
5.70	6.74	7.78	Mid sb10	B5a	0	1117	8m	4μ	4/1	2/1	20
7.78	9.19	10.61	Mid sb11	B5b	0	582	5m	4μ	4/1	2/1	20
10.61	12.53	14.46	Mid sb12	B5b	0	293	3m	3μ	4/1	2/1	20

- Modelled calibration parameters that should permit ~thermal noise limited data products within very deep integrations

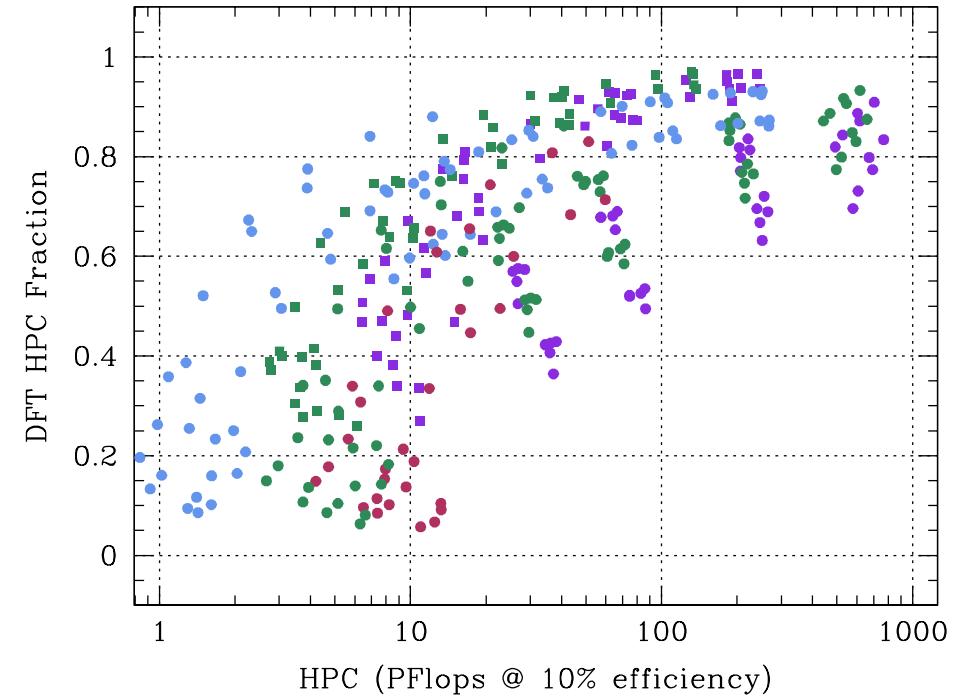
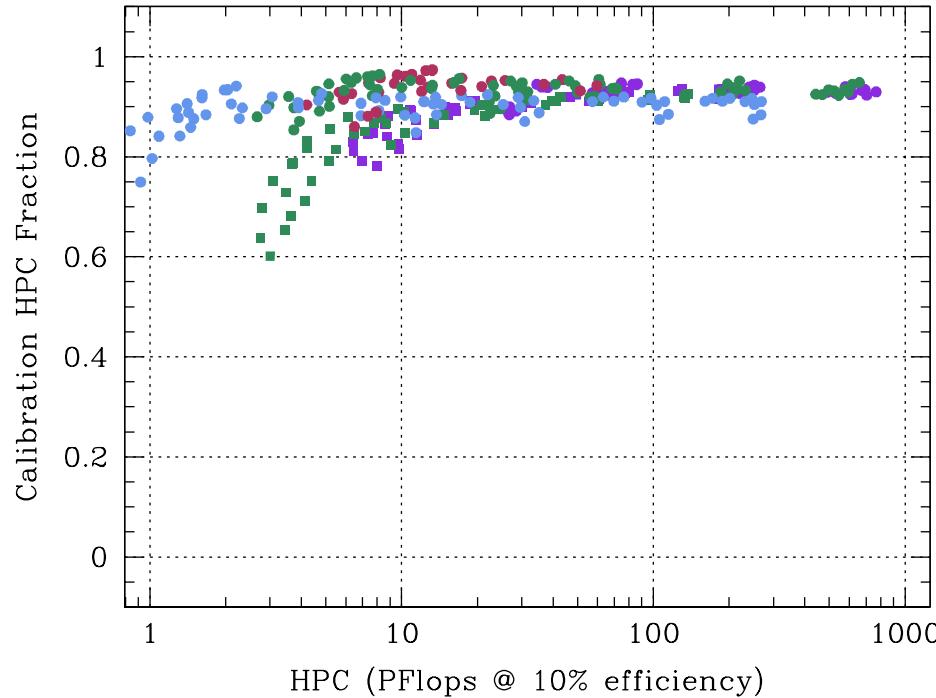


SKA1 High Performance Computing Requirements



- Instantaneous HPC load as function of ($B_{\text{Max}}, \nu, T_{\text{Point}}$)

HPC Breakdown by Use Case type



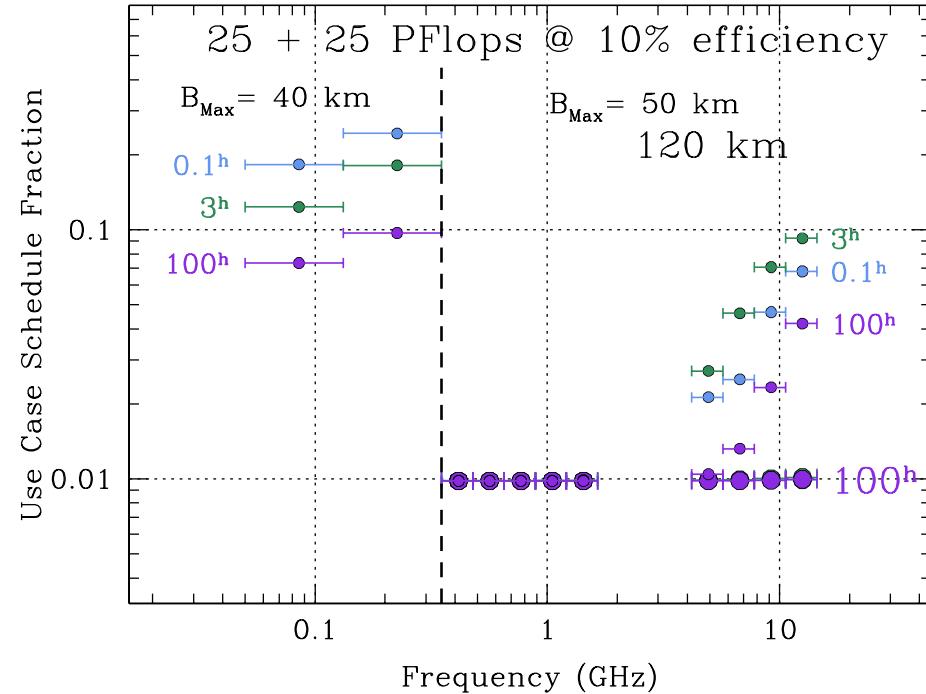
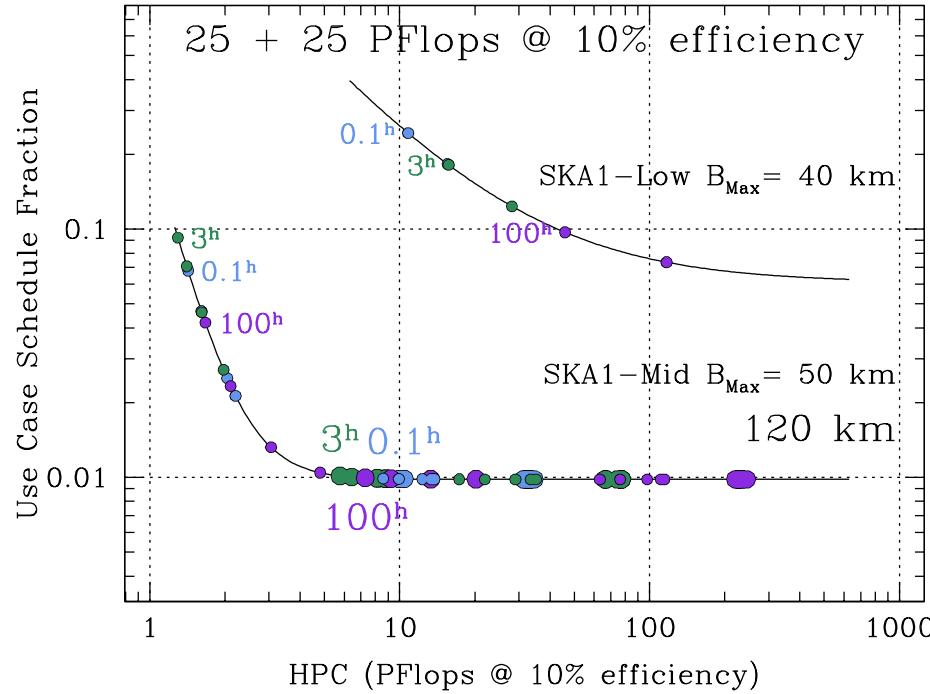
- HPC dominated by calibration, rather than data product generation
 - Implications for central HPC relative to dispersed HPC given limitations on data transmission (only highly compressed visibilities can be exported)
- HPC cost (when significant) dominated by DFT



HPC Prediction Caveats

- Computational efficiency assumed to be 10%; could be much better (LOFAR EoR GPU-based pipeline achieving >80% utilisation, but smaller problem scale)
- Better representation of Direction Dependent Calibration methods needed in Parametric model
- HPC costs dominated by DFT; could be implemented with much higher than 10% efficiency (as noted above for GPUs)

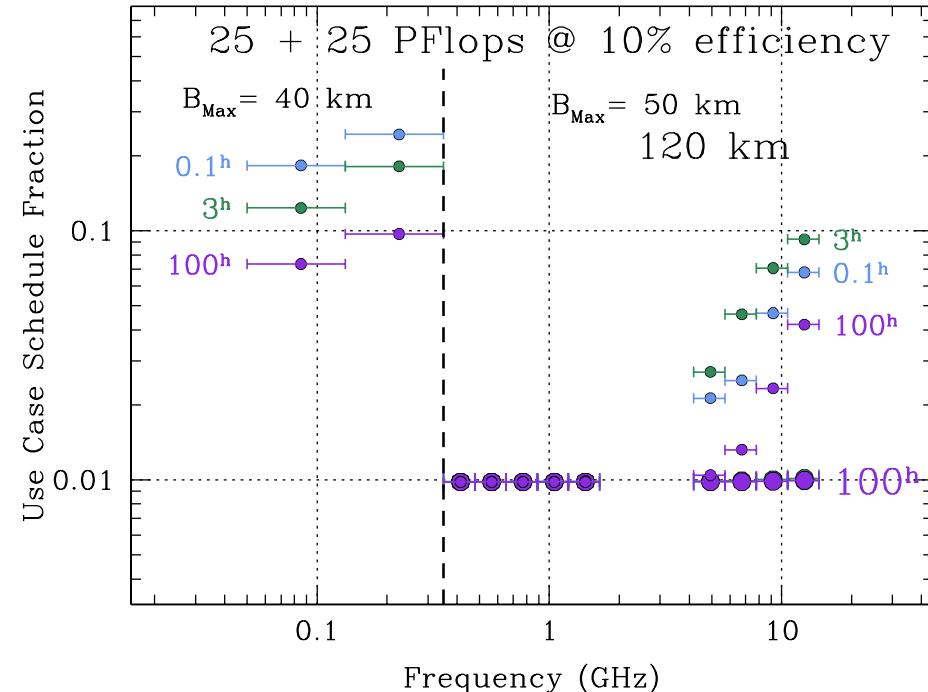
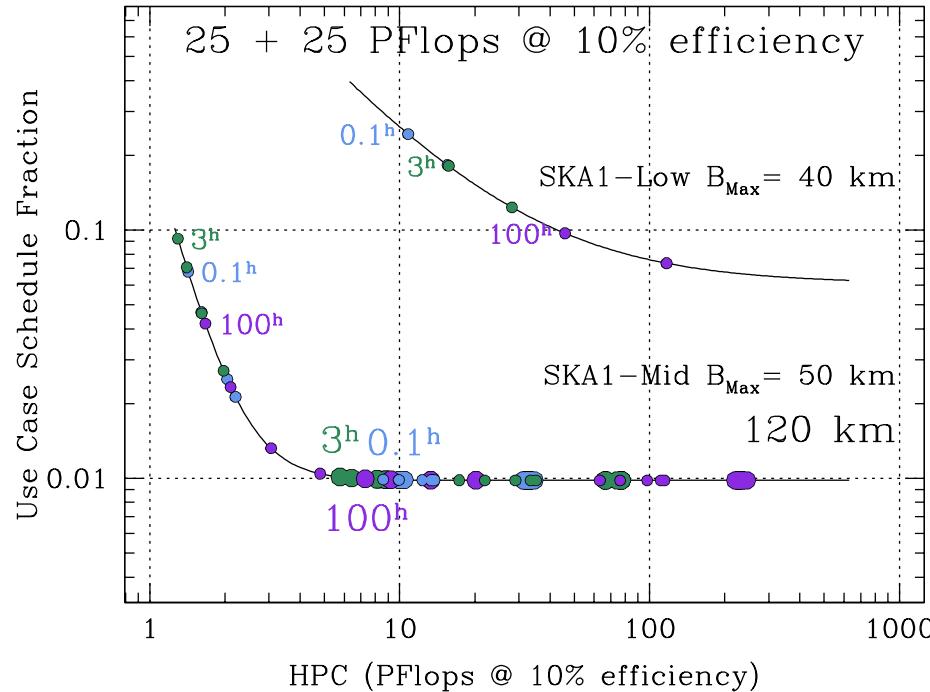
Capped Use Case Distributions (Doc #951)



- “HPC Capped Case”: 25 + 25 PFlops (@10% efficiency)
 - Process half band: (50 – 350 MHz)/2 (Low); (SPF 1, 2, 5a, 5b)/2 (Mid)
 - Process at resolution: $B_{\text{Max}} = 40$ (Low); 50 or 120 km (Mid)
 - Experiment depths: $T_{\text{Point}} = 0.1, 3, 100^{\text{h}}$
 - Constant + Power law dependence of schedule fraction on HPC load
 - Defer $T_{\text{Point}} = 1000^{\text{h}}$

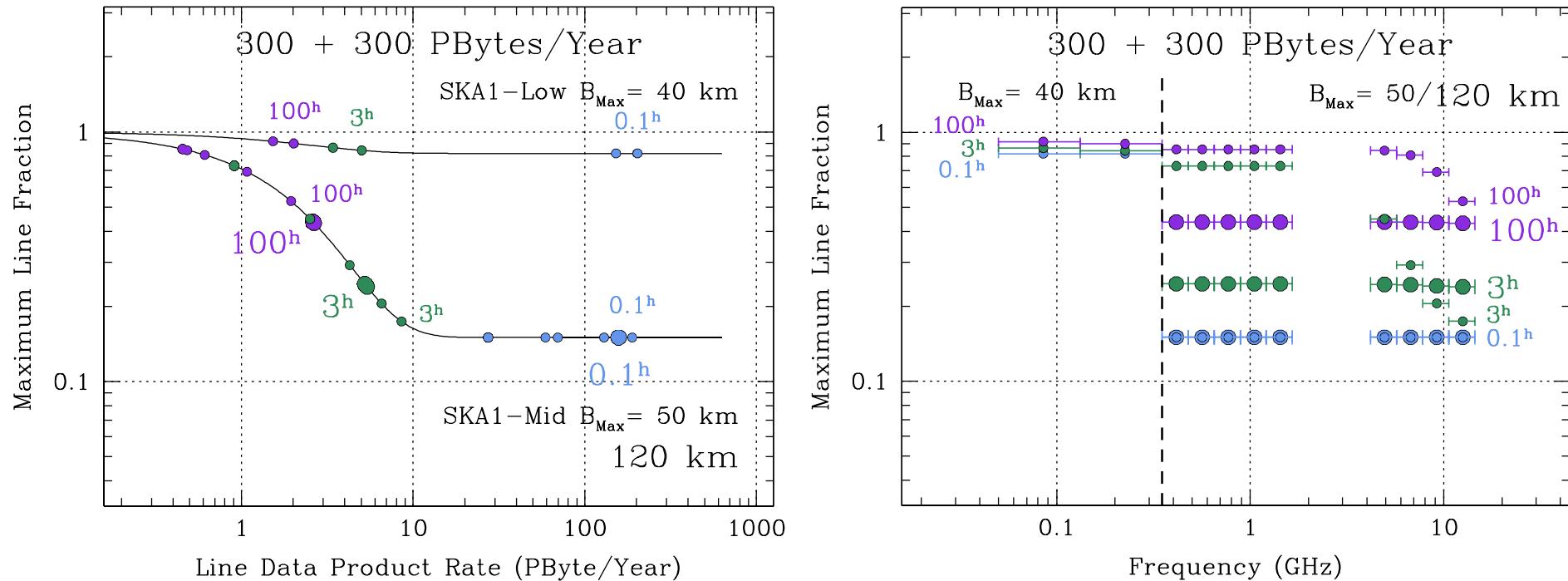


Implications of 25 + 25 PFlops (@10 % effic.)



- Deferral of deepest integrations: $T_{\text{Point}} \approx 1000^{\text{h}}$
- Loss of simultaneity from half bandwidth
- Relatively low scheduling fractions for 0.35 – 1 GHz (about half “uniform”)
- High scheduling fractions for > 5 GHz to provide load balancing

Implications of 25 + 25 PFlops (@10 % effic.)



- Archive Constraints: 300 + 300 PBytes / Year
 - Adopt schedule fractions from Capped HPC = 25 + 25 PFlops scenario
 - Limits on spectral-line fraction imposed by 100 Gb/s per telescope link
 - Constant + exponential dependence of spectral-line fraction on Data Product Rate
 - Only mild constraints on SKA1-Low
 - Strong constraints on short observations with SKA1-Mid imposed by link speed

Science Meetings

- 2018 IAU – GA, 20 – 31 August
 - Good response to SWG request for assistance at the SKA Booth (thanks in advance!!)
 - Please spend some time at the SKA Booth
- 2019 SKA Science Meeting and KSP Workshop
 - Planning progressing well
 - Web site open:
<https://indico.skatelescope.org/event/467>
- 2019 EWASS call for proposals
 - 9 September 2018 deadline
 - Aim to coordinate submissions
- 2020 URSI – GA, 29 Aug – 5 Sept.
 - Call for workshops/sessions



Community Updates

- Science Data Challenges
 - Making progress, links will be posted on website
 - <https://astronomers.skatelescope.org/ska-data-challenges/>
- Recent and upcoming SWG/FG Meetings?
 - Our Galaxy: 11/12 July, Catania
 - Cosmology: 13/14 September, Turin
 - Other SWGs?
- Updates from participating SWG/FG Chairs
 - ????

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