

SKA Science Update

- Proposal allocation modelling
- SDC2: and the winner is ...
- AOB

SKA Proposal Allocation Modelling: The Challenge

- Simultaneously statisfy conflicting access constraints:
 - 1. Scientific Merit
 - 2. SKAO Members "share of the project"
 - 3. Fixed (and relatively small) Open Time fraction

SKA Proposal Allocation Modelling: Measuring "Access"

- SKAO "access" is more than just telescope time; also includes SDP processing, ODP transmission to SRC network, ...
 - Needs full accounting, including suitable consideration of commensal access
- Models for measuring SKAO Member (and RoW) access:
 - 1. PI-only
 - 2. All proposal roles (PI, MT and co-I) with weights proportional to role rarity
 - Most fair and least prone to "gaming"
 - 3. Only PI and MT roles (for KSP proposals)

SKA Proposal Allocation Modelling: Adjusting "Access"

- In the likely event that Member access targets are not achieved based solely on scientific merit, then some adjustment will be needed
 - Iteratively modify initial (science) proposal rankings based on current misfit to targets
 - SKAO Members:

Compete *individually* for (eq.) OT/4

Non-members:

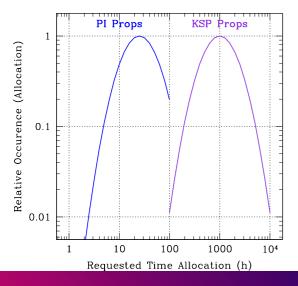
for (eg.) OT/2

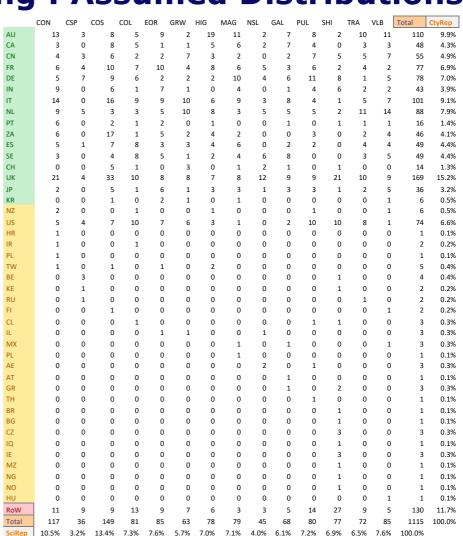
$$W_{CJ} = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{F'_{CJ}}{S_C}\right)^{\alpha} & \text{if } F'_{CJ} < S_C, \\ 1 & \text{if } S_C < F'_{CJ} < (S_C + O/4), \\ \left(\frac{F'_{CJ}}{S_C + O/4}\right)^{\alpha} & \text{if } F'_{CJ} > (S_C + O/4). \end{cases}$$

$$W_{RoWJ} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } F'_{RoWJ} < O/2, \\ \left(\frac{F'_{RoWJ}}{O/2}\right)^{\alpha} & \text{if } F'_{RoWJ} > O/2. \end{cases}$$

SKA Proposal Allocation Modelling: Assumed Distributions

- Use SWG membership for science topic and country of affiliation distributions
- Randomly draw science topics and proposal teams
- Log-normal for durations





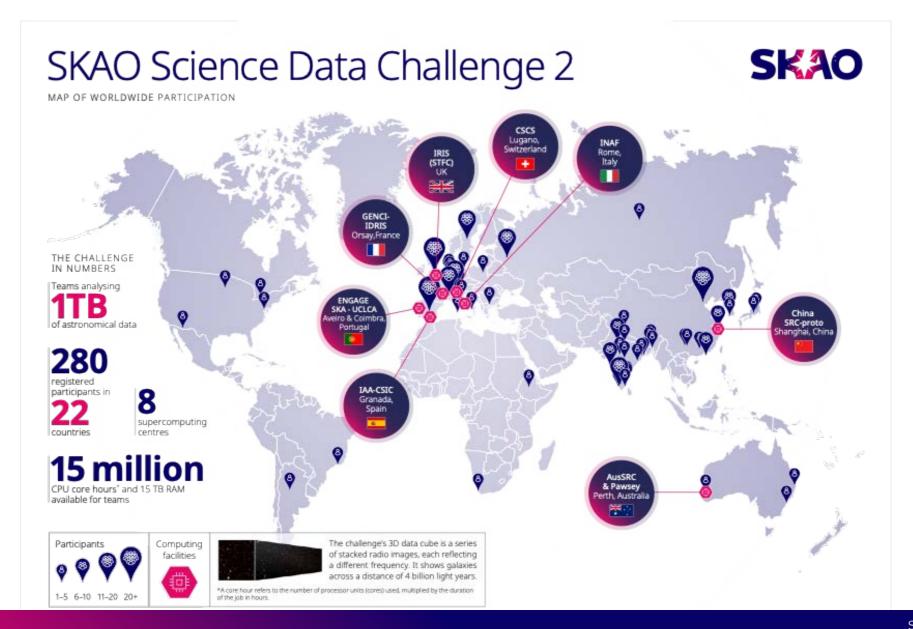
SKA Proposal Allocation Modelling: Early Indications

- Access measurement that includes all proposal roles (and not just the PI) is viable and is preferred
- Reasonable prospects to simultaneously statisfy access constraints with some precision (despite highly coupled problem) and very large number of constraints
- KSP access balance more challenging (than PI case) due to smaller number of allocated proposals
- Greater precision in yielding targets comes at the expense of reduced weighting of scientific merit
- KSP and PI access should be considered jointly rather than individually

Science Data Challenge 2 Duration Feb 1st – July ^{31st}

• 40 Teams with total of 276 participants, from 80 institutes in 23 countries





SDC2, and the winner is ...

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- 12 teams made final submissions
- Large range of scores
 - Score measures both goodness of fit for true detections and absence of false positives
- Top two teams used non-traditional methods, including internal crosscorrelation of sub-teams for winner

| Property | Error term | Threshold value |
|------------------------------|--|-----------------|
| Sky position (RA, Dec) x,y | $D_{pos} = \frac{\sqrt{(x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2}}{S'}$ | 0.3 |
| HI size S | $D_{HI \ size} = \frac{ S - S' }{S'}$ | 0.3 |
| Integrated line flux $\it F$ | $D_{flux} = \frac{ f-f' }{f'}$ | 0.1 |
| Central frequency v | $D_{freq} = rac{ \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v}' }{\mathbf{v}'}$ | 0.3 |
| Position angle θ | $D_{PA} = \theta - \theta' $ | 10.0 |
| Inclination angle i | $D_{incl} = i - i' $ | 10.0 |
| Line width w20 | $D_{line\ width} = \frac{ w20 - w20' }{w20'}$ | 0.3 |

final score =
$$\sum_{i=1}^{N_{match}} w_i - N_{false}$$

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LEADERBOARD

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The live SDC2 leaderboard below reports the highest score for the full challenge dataset submitted by each team

| Position | User | Group | Score | Date |
|----------|--------------|---------------|----------|----------------------------|
| 1 | minerva | MINERVA | 23254.16 | 2021-07-31T22:08:25.716098 |
| 2 | forska | FORSKA-Sweden | 22489.43 | 2021-07-14T05:29:44.394263 |
| 3 | sofia | SoFiA | 16822.24 | 2021-07-27T02:35:21.234327 |
| 4 | naoc-tianlai | NAOC-Tianlai | 14416.02 | 2021-07-28T12:59:39.209828 |
| 5 | hi-friends | HI-FRIENDS | 13902.62 | 2021-07-31T20:39:01.416127 |
| 6 | epfl | EPFL | 8515.16 | 2021-07-31T20:30:40.569408 |
| 7 | spardha | Spardha | 5614.59 | 2021-07-30T13:54:14.229580 |
| 8 | starmech | Starmech | 2095.65 | 2021-07-31T15:42:40.105279 |
| 9 | jlrat | JLRAT | 1079.73 | 2021-07-31T18:13:38.347097 |
| 10 | coin | Coîn | -1.76 | 2021-07-31T22:48:57.226716 |
| 11 | hiraxers | HIRAXers | -2.00 | 2021-07-15T10:55:52.222569 |
| 12 | shao | SHAO | -471.00 | 2021-07-31T16:14:46.451245 |

SDC2 Next Steps

- Collecting full submission packages (fully documented, portable and customisable SDC2 analysis pipelines) for reproducibility award assessment
- Preparing announcement of winners (mid-October, to coordinate with institutes)
- Writing up SDC2 paper
 - Methods employed
 - Relative performance
 - Lessons learned for analysis pipelines
- Post SDC2 analysis and follow-up of HPC Data Centre participation
 - Securing of HPC support for future SDCs
 - Lessons learned for SRC network
- Investigate causes of team attrition

Any Other Business

- Upcoming meetings
- ...???

Thank you

We recognise and acknowledge the Indigenous peoples and cultures that have traditionally lived on the lands on which our facilities are located.



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