

Current and Future Activities of KaVA/EAVN Astrometry sub-WG

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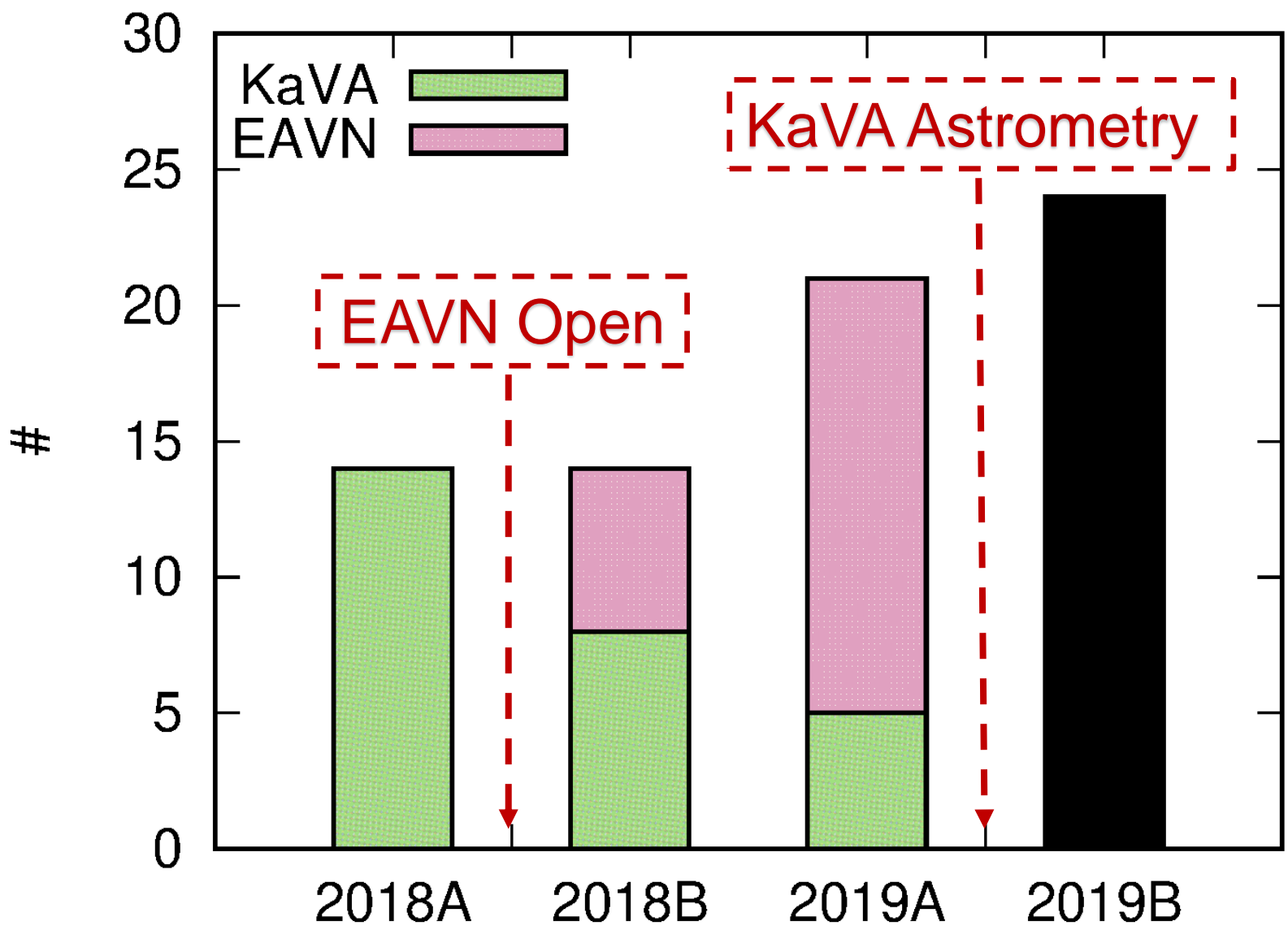
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Core and New (?) members

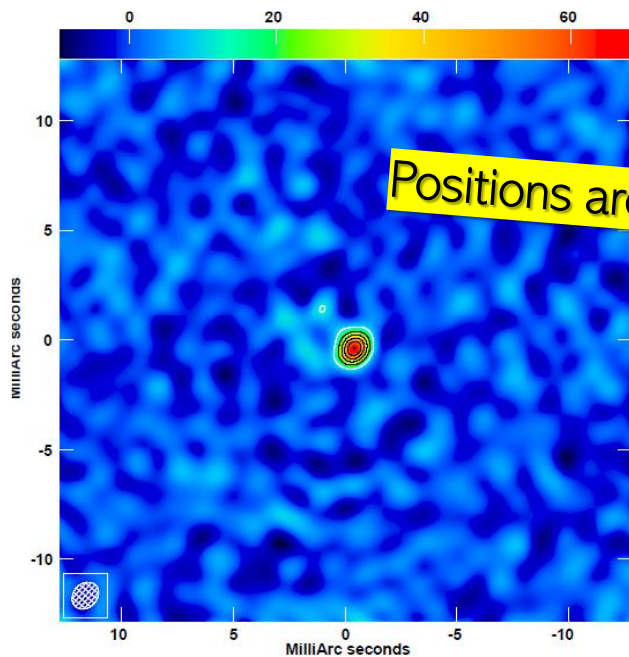


Number of proposals for EAVN/KaVA



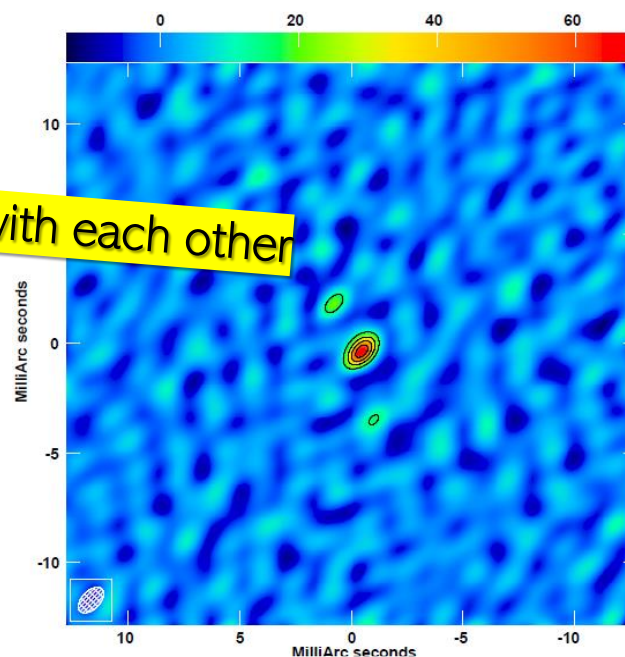
KaVA Phase-Referencing Open

Phase-referencing with **KaVA**



Target: 0556+238 with **SN = 24**
PR: 0601+245

Phase-referencing with **VERA**



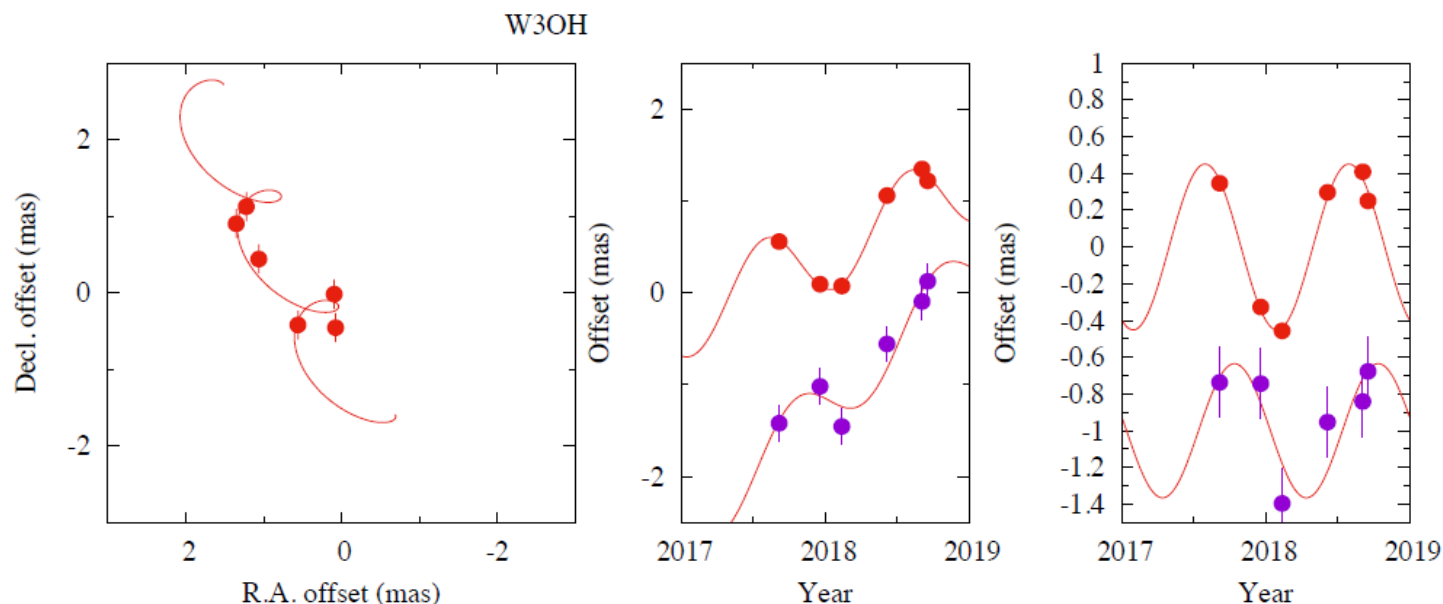
Target: 0556+238 with **SN = 19**
PR: 0601+245

Positions are consistent with each other

Open from 2019A
Lead Analyzer: Shuangjing

KaVA Astrometry (Parallax) Open

Parallax fitting with latest KVN position (June 2019)



Parallax = 0.476 ± 0.024 mas

$(\delta \text{ RA}, \delta \text{ Dec}) = (0.037, 0.19)$ mas

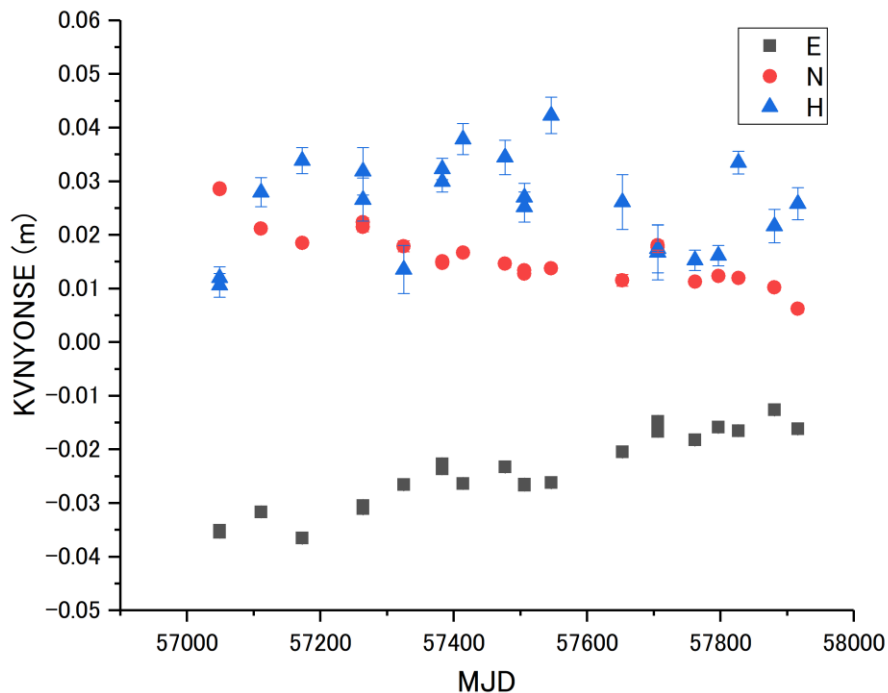
VLBA parallax = 0.489 ± 0.017 mas (Hachisuka+09)

Open from 2019B, Lead Analyzer: D. Sakai

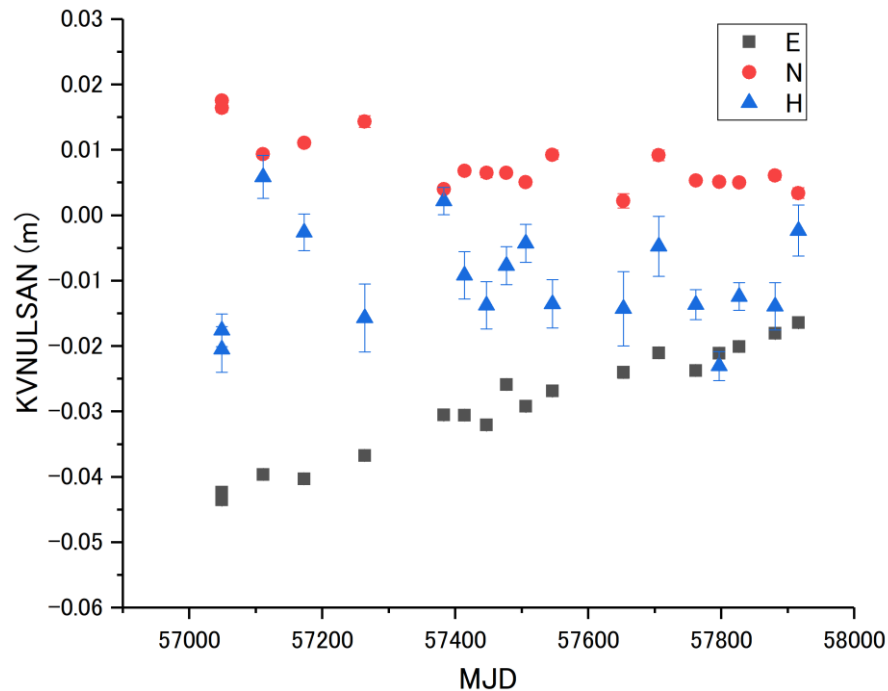
Made by D. Sakai

KaVA Geodesy: 2015 Jan ~ 2018 June

KVN Yonsei



KVN Ulsan



Roughly linear motions
mm-level accuracy

Water Vapor Radiometer

The WVR on the VERA 20m



Radio astronomy receiver (22GHz)



Japanese WVR

Japan Meteorological Agency data

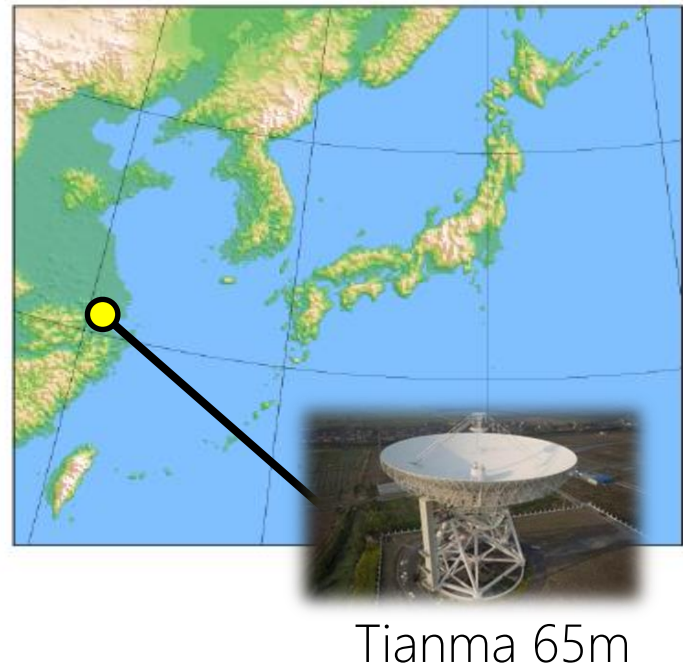
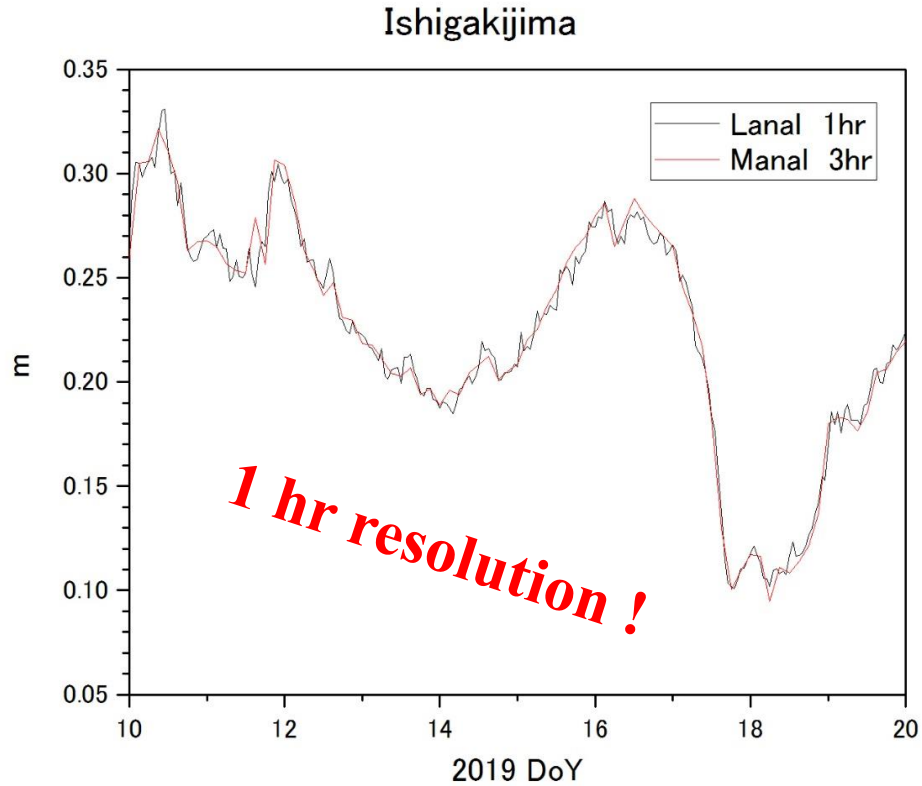


Figure 2.7.1: domains of LA and LFM. (Local Forecast Model)



Tropospheric zenith delay of Ishigakijima station, estimated with JMA data.

Estimated by Y. Tamura-san

OUTLINE OF THE OPERATIONAL NUMERICAL WEATHER PREDICTION AT THE JAPAN METEOROLOGICAL AGENCY (March 2019)

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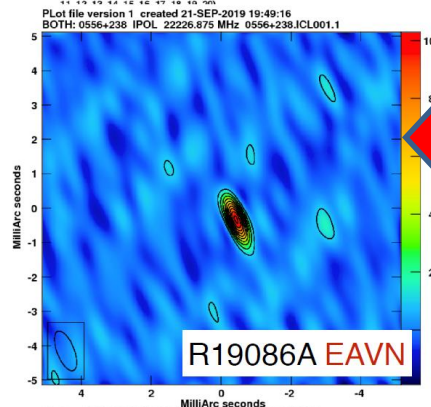
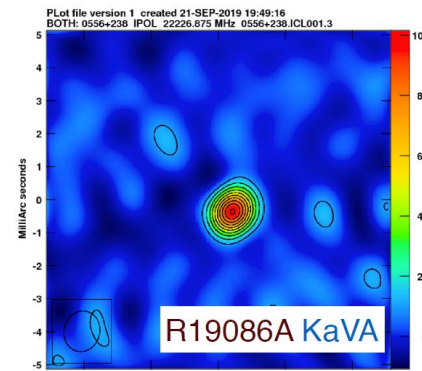
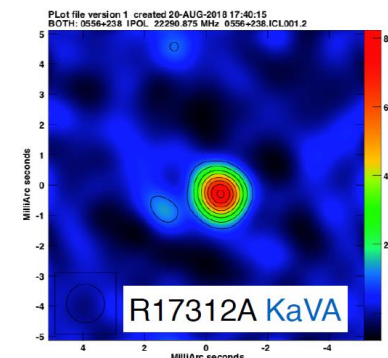
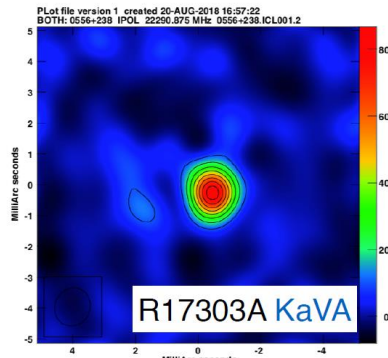
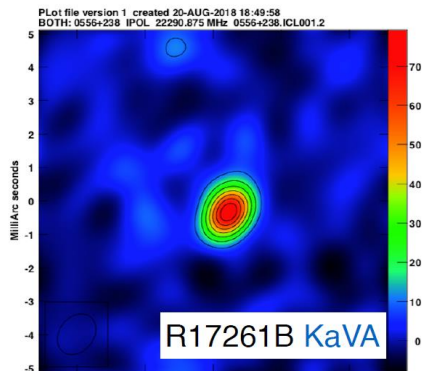


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EAVN QSO pair astrometry

preliminary image results



EAVN

phase-referenced image

Ref. 0601+245
Target 0556+238

Open from 2020B (planned)
Lead Analyzer: Shuangjing

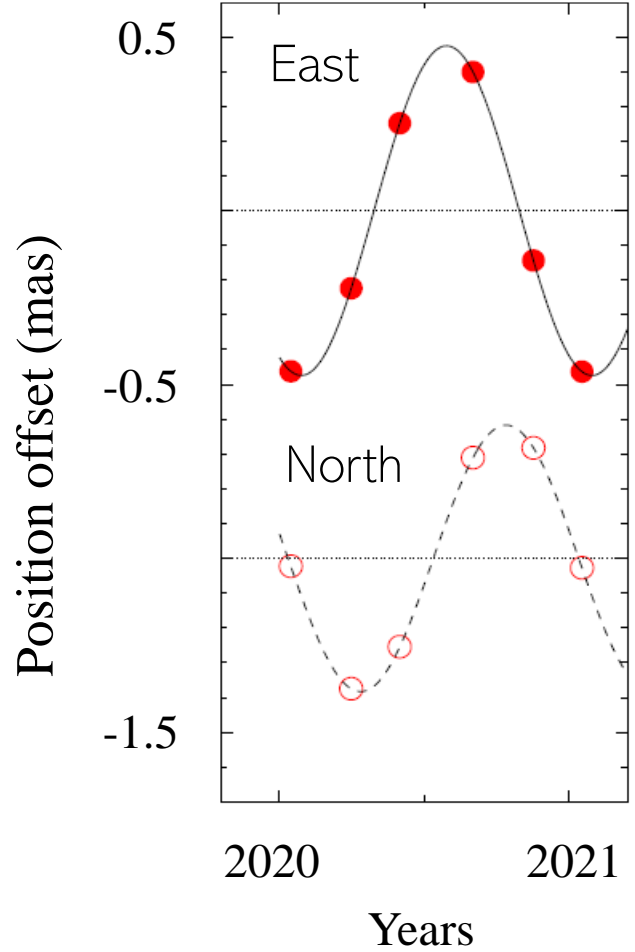
Given by Shuangjing Xu

EAVN maser astrometry

Requested observation dates
(within +/- 2 weeks):

- ① Mid of Jan, 2020
- ② End of Mar
- ③ End of May
- ④ End of Aug
- ⑤ Mid of Nov
- ⑥ Mid of Jan, 2021

#Bold indicates a date close to parallax maximum in right ascension.



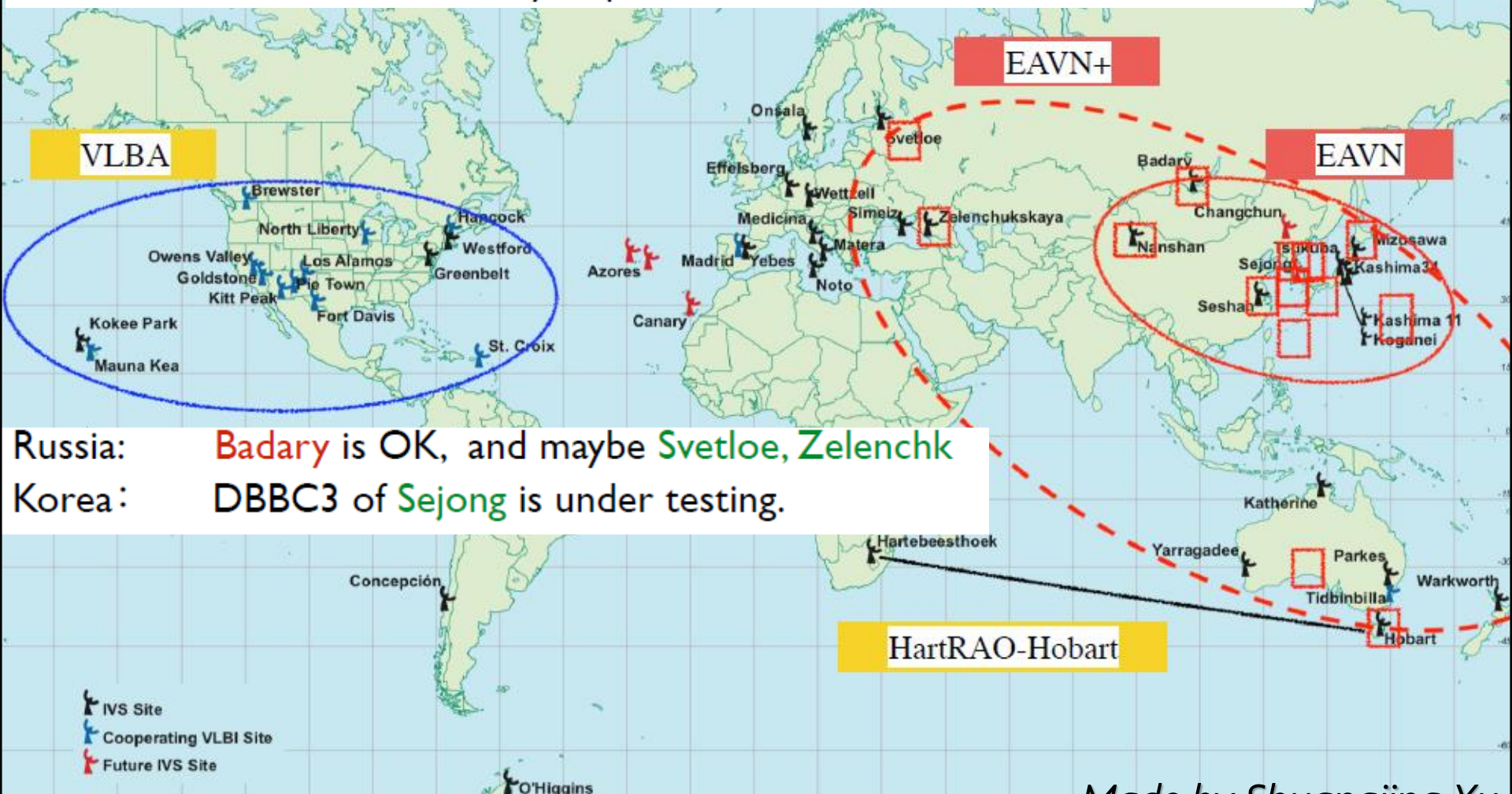
Parallax phase for W3OH.
Red circle = offset in R.A. (mas),
Green " = " Decl (mas).

Open from 2021B (planned)
Lead Analyzer: D. Sakai

EAVN geodesy

EAVN: Proposal is accepted by EAVN DM

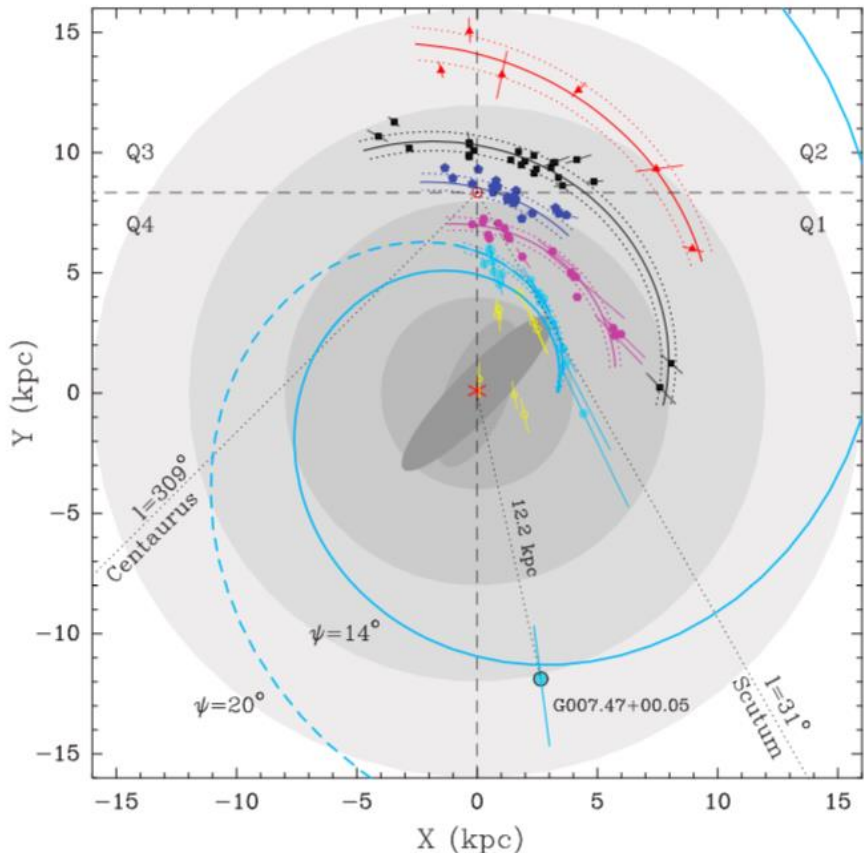
Australia: **Hobart26** is OK, it may be possible to include **Ceduna** for a few sessions



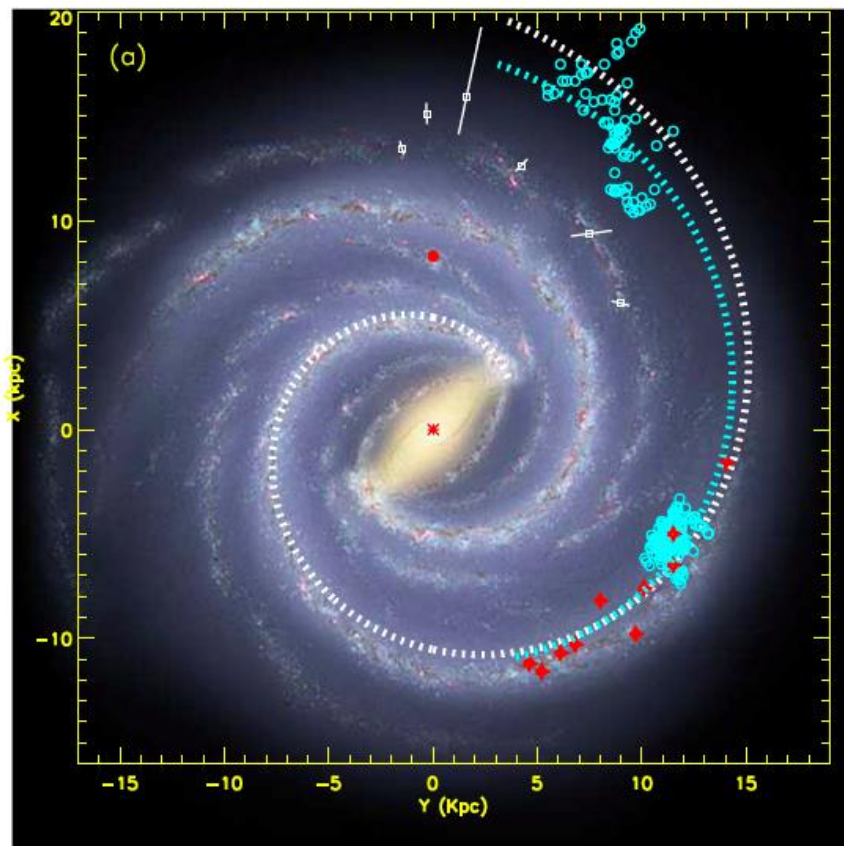
Russia: **Badary** is OK, and maybe **Svetloe, Zelenchuk**

Korea: DBBC3 of **Sejong** is under testing.

Possible EAVN large programs



Credit: Reid



Sun et al. 2017

Possible EAVN large programs

VLBI projects

- VLBA:
Yang et al. 2017A.
G040.28+1.14 (<0.5Jy, failed)
- EAVN:
Sakai et al. 2019B. G034.84+00.94

GA sub-WG

(> 25 Jy, approved)

- VLBA:
Bian et al. 2020A. G034.84+00.94
(> 25 Jy, under review)

Another possible candidate:

G040.96+2.48 H₂O: ~1 Jy @ 22 GHz

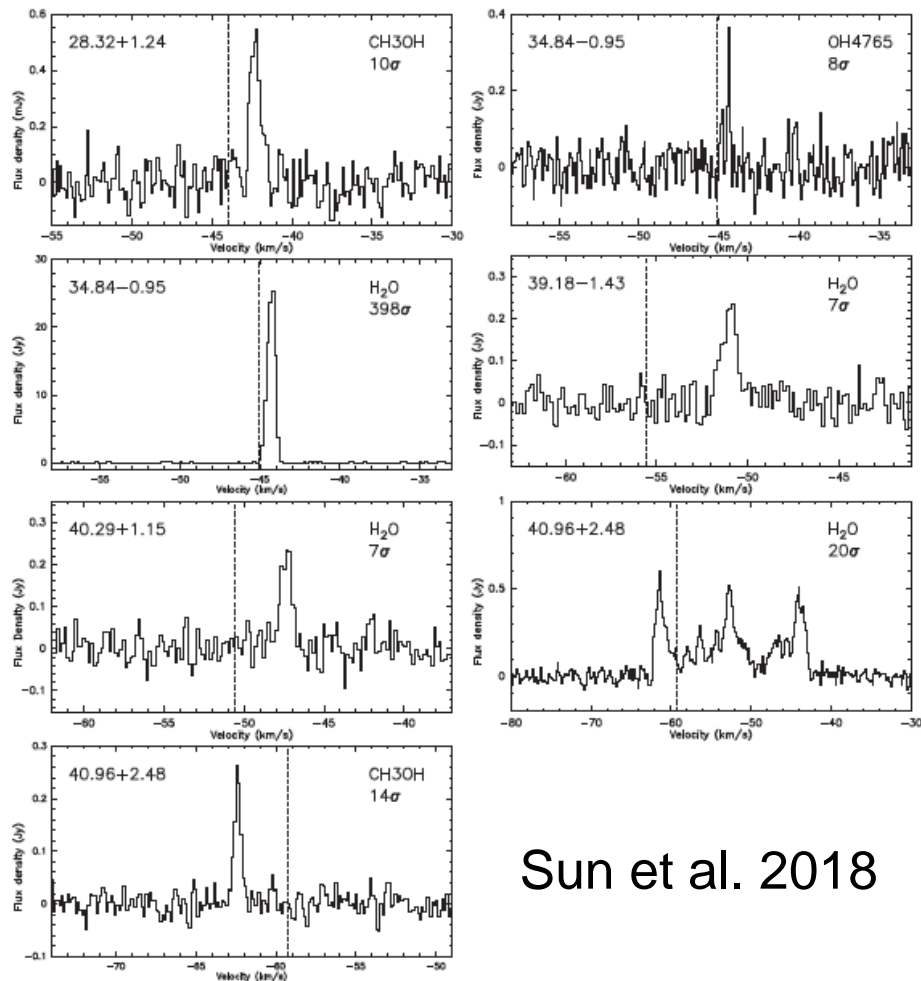
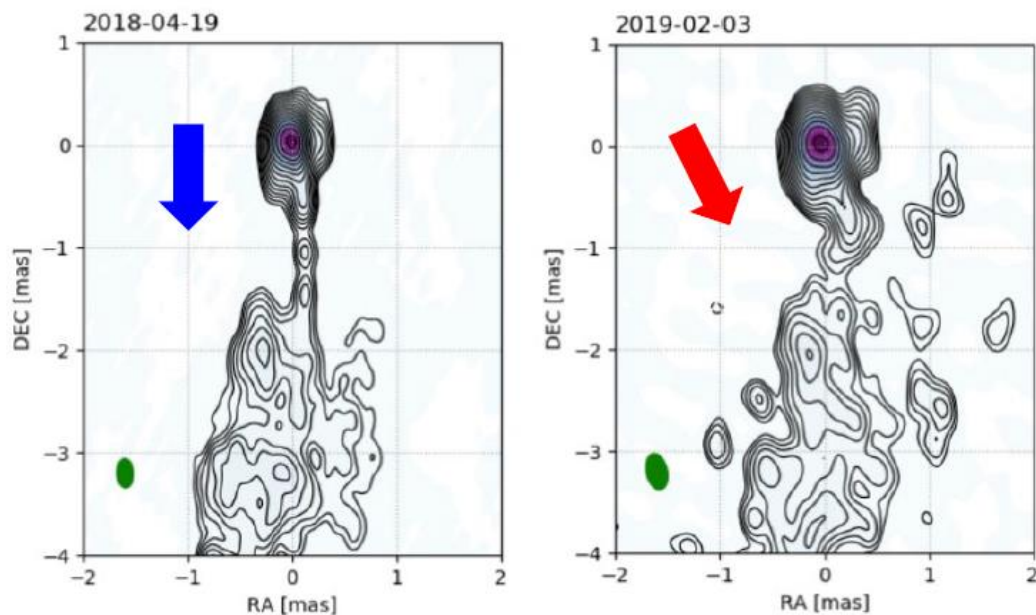


Figure 1. All detected maser lines in this study. The dashed lines mark the local standard of rest velocity V_{LSR} derived from the CO emission.

Sun et al. 2018

EAVN astrometric science ①

Jet swinging in 3C84

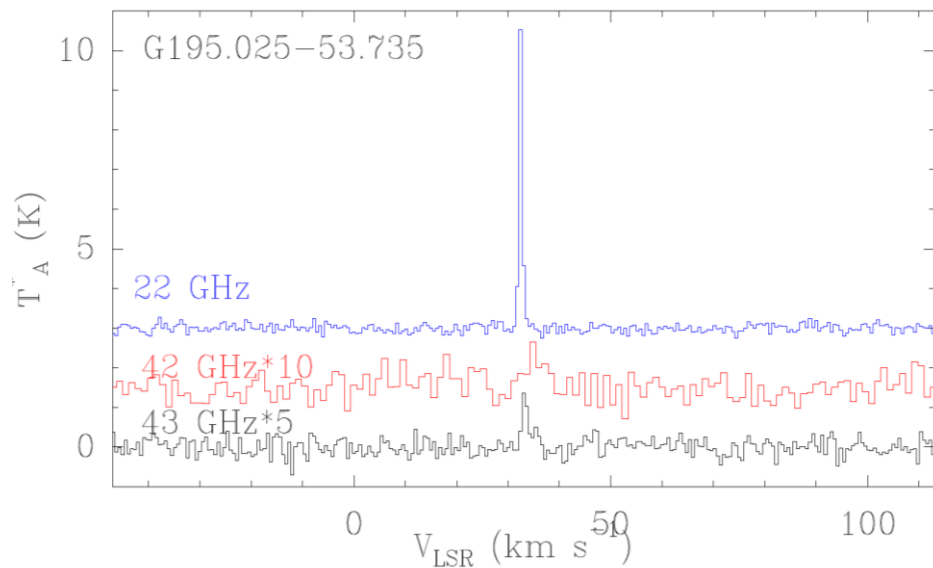
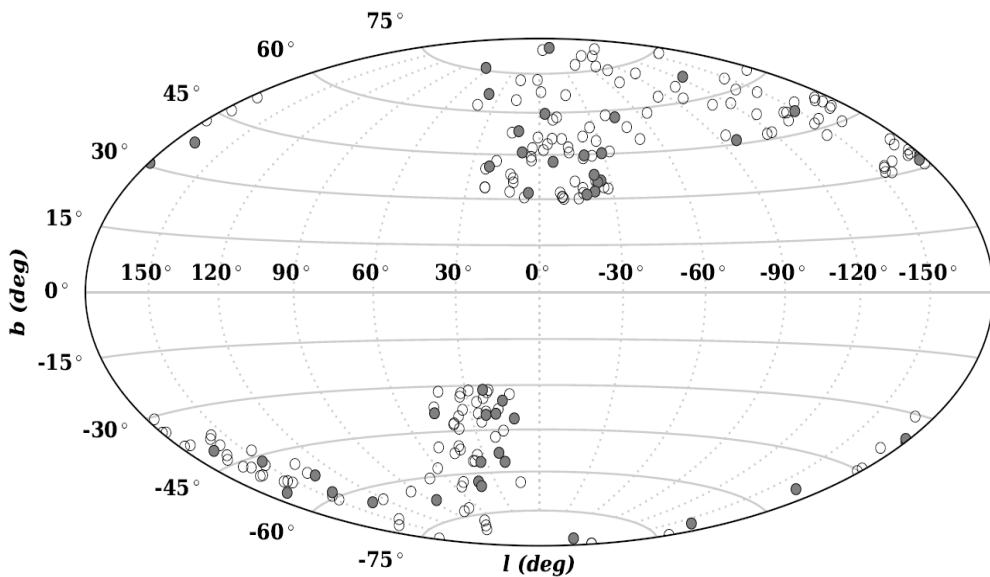


- VLBA 43 GHz, BU blazar group

- Radical/abrupt change of jet direction ($\sim 14^\circ$ / year)
- Heading to “C2” region
- No significant flux / polarization change
- Proposed astrometric observation with KaVA at 22 and 43 GHz

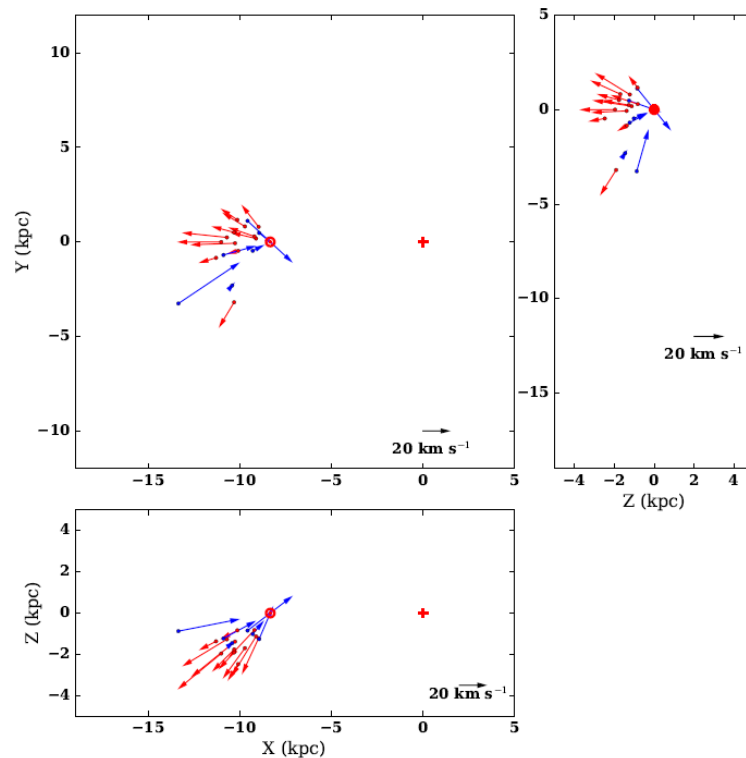
Accepted by 2019B
1st observation is on Sep 26th !

EAVN astrometric science ②



SiO maser survey towards Halo AGBs that may trace **Sgr. Stellar Stream**

Wu, Matsunaga, Burns & Zhang 2018



Given by Yuanwei Wu

EAVN astrometric science ③~⑪

Oral presentation

Gaia vs. VLBI

Central Molecular Zone

Symbiotic star

| | | |
|-------------------|--------------|----------|
| Shuangjing | Xu | SHAO |
| Daisuke | Sakai | NAOJ |
| Haneul | Yang | SNU/KASI |
| Pengfei | Jiang | XAO |

Binary star

Poster presentation

Geodesy (VGOS)

AGB study

Galactic structure

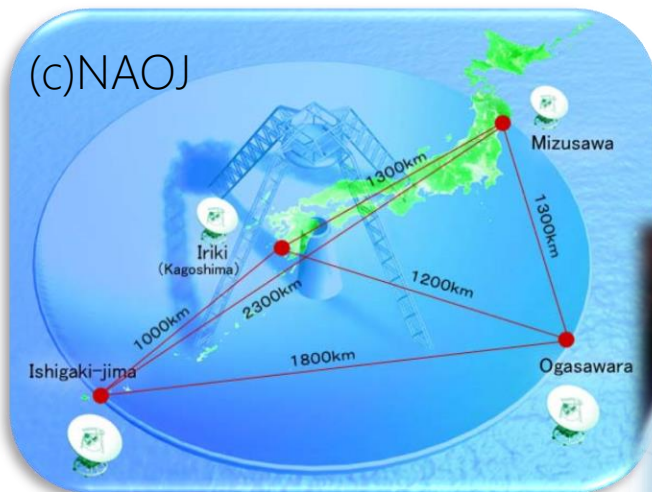
Ionospheric calibration

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| P4 | Hui | Zhang | SHAO |
| P24 | Se-Hyung | Cho | KASI |
| P25 | Nobuyuki | Sakai | KASI |
| P26 | Bo | Zhang | SHAO |
| P27 | Jeong-Sook | Kim | KASI |

MicroQSO

VERA → KaVA → EAVN astrometry

VERA (Open from 2004)



KaVA (2019B~)

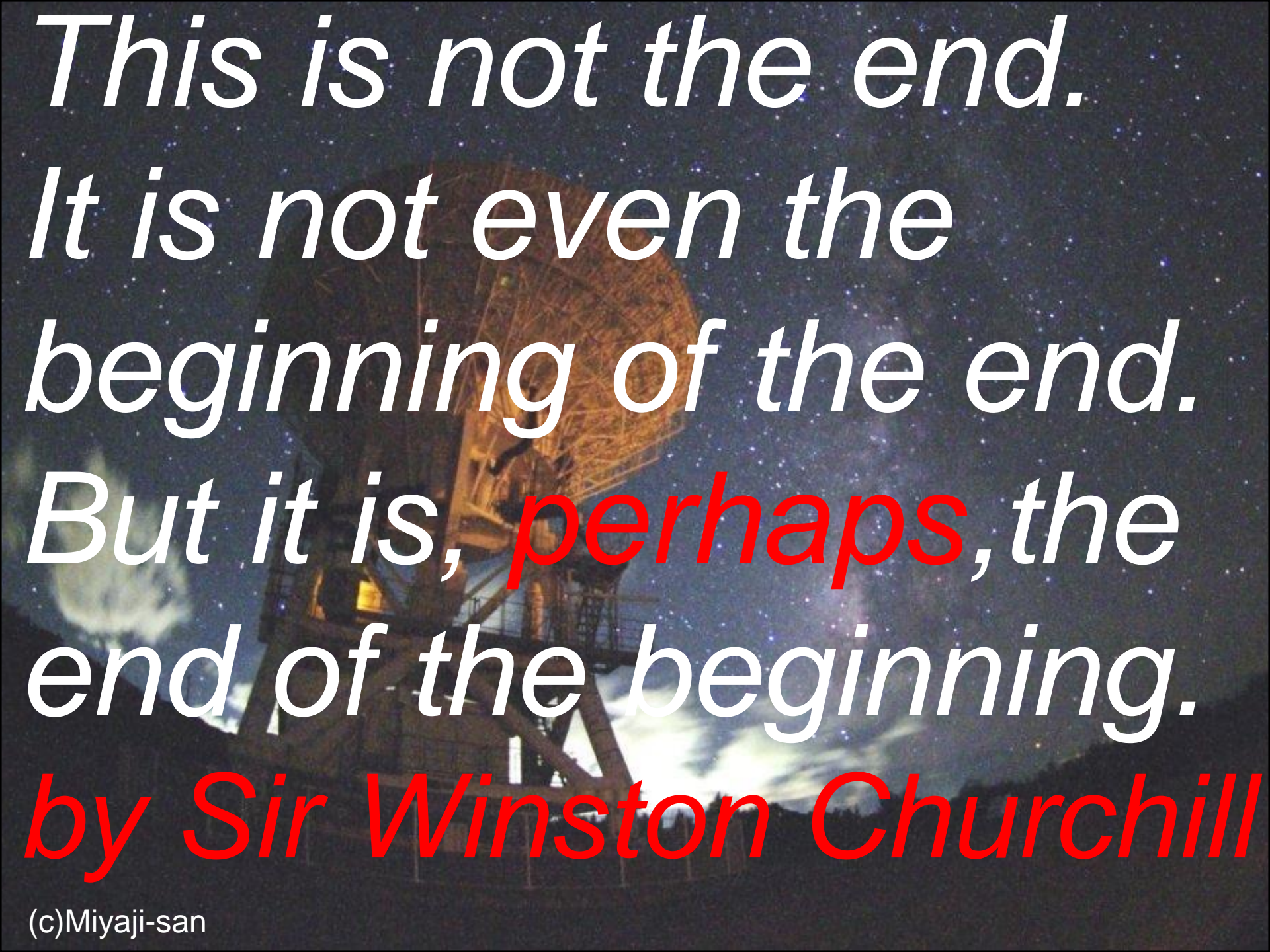


~x2 Sensitivity
Short baselines
(< 500 km)

EAVN (2021B?)



~x5 Sensitivity
~x2 Parallax accuracy

A large radio telescope dish is illuminated from below, set against a dark night sky filled with stars. The dish is a complex structure of metal and wood, with a large, flat, circular surface. The background is a deep blue and black sky with numerous bright stars and a faint, glowing nebula or galaxy. The overall mood is one of cosmic mystery and scientific exploration.

*This is not the end.
It is not even the
beginning of the end.
But it is, perhaps, the
end of the beginning.
by Sir Winston Churchill*