Results of KVN observations toward evolved stars



SiO v=1 J=1-0 IK Tau

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Outline

- Introduction to KVN Key Science Project
- Results of KVN observations
- Summary and future works

Scientific goals of KSP

To Study

Characteristics of stellar masers

- Spatial structure, relative location, intensity
- Temporal variability
- Masing conditions
- Kinematic and chemical properties of circumstellar envelopes
 - Pulsation and shock propagation
 - Molecular abundance
 - Dust condensation

Mass-loss mechanism and history

- Dust-driven stellar wind
- Shell morphology: spherical, bipolar, irregular, ...
- Mass-loss rate and stellar evolution

Total 341 VLBI observations in KSP Aug. 2014 – Jun. 2019



Target source

Key technique of KSP observations Source Frequency Phase Referencing method



Development of KVN pipeline

- SFPR method for KVN observations is completely implemented.
- Fully-automated procedures of pipeline save a huge amount of time by replacing human eye inspection.
- Consistency and repeatability of data reduction can be achieved by using the pipeline along the multiepoch observations.

Examples of KVN pipeline

Procedures for continuum reference source for phase referencing



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Astrometrically registered maps of H₂O and SiO masers toward VX Sagittarii

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The supergiant VX Sagittarii is a strong emitter of both H_2O and SiO masers. However, previous VLBI observations have been performed separately, which makes it difficult to spatially trace the outward transfer of the material consecutively. Here we present the astrometrically registered, simultaneous maps of 22.2 GHz H_2O and 43.1/42.8/86.2/129.3 GHz SiO masers toward VX Sagittarii. The H_2O masers detected above the dust-forming

Single dish monitoring observations of KVN Result of VX Sgr reduced by Dong-Hwan Yoon



Spectra of 22 GHz H2O maser



VLBI monitoring observations of KVN Result of VX Sgr reduced by Dong-Hwan Yoon



VLBI monitoring observations of KVN Result of VX Sgr reduced by Dong-Hwan Yoon



Results of R Crt by Dong-Jin Kim



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Simultaneous VLBI Astrometry of H₂O and SiO Masers toward the Semiregular Variable R Crateris

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Abstract

We obtained, for the first time, astrometrically registered maps of the 22.2 GHz H₂O and 42.8, 43.1, and 86.2 GHz SiO maser emission toward the semiregular b-type variable (SRb) R Crateris, at three epochs (2015 May 21, and 2016 January 7 and 26) using the Korean Very-long-baseline Interferometry Network. The SiO masers show a

VLBI monitoring observations of KVN Result of R Crt reduced by Dong-Jin Kim





Results of V627 Cas by Haneul Yang



In preparation

Asymmetric distributions of 22 GHz H_2O and 43, 42 and 86 GHz SiO masers toward the symbiotic star V627 Cas

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ABSTRACT

We have performed simultaneous observations of the 22 GHz H₂O and 43/42/86/129 GHz SiO masers toward the D-type symbiotic star V627 Cas using the Korean VLBI Network (KVN). Here, we present astrometrically registered maps of the 22 GHz H₂O and 43/42/86 GHz SiO masers from five epochs from Jan. 2016 to Jun. 2018. Distributions of the SiO maser spots did not show the usual ring-like

VLBI monitoring observations of KVN Result of V627 Cas reduced by Haneul Yang







Clear arc structure with bumps in northern part of 3 mm SiO maser

Largely bumped features in northern part of 2 mm SiO maser





Clumpy structure of dust W Hya



Visible polarimetric imaging of W Hya observed with VLT/SPHERE-ZIMPOL Ohnaka et al. (2016)

Clumpy structure of dust W Hya



Ohnaka et al. (2016)



Summary and future works

- Successful operation of the 1st KSP providing important results for the study of late stage of stellar evolution
 - Spatial distributions, clumpy structures, intensities of stellar masers observed at four frequency bands
 - Mass-loss phenomena indicated from the temporal variabilities of the maser properties

• Planning the 2nd phase of KSP

- New target sources (GX Mon, R Aqr)
- Intensive monitoring for the strong maser sources
- Including polarization observation for a few sources
- Further physical interpretation
 - Combining other facilities (EAVN, ALMA, VLA, ...)
 - Theoretical research by using numerical simulations