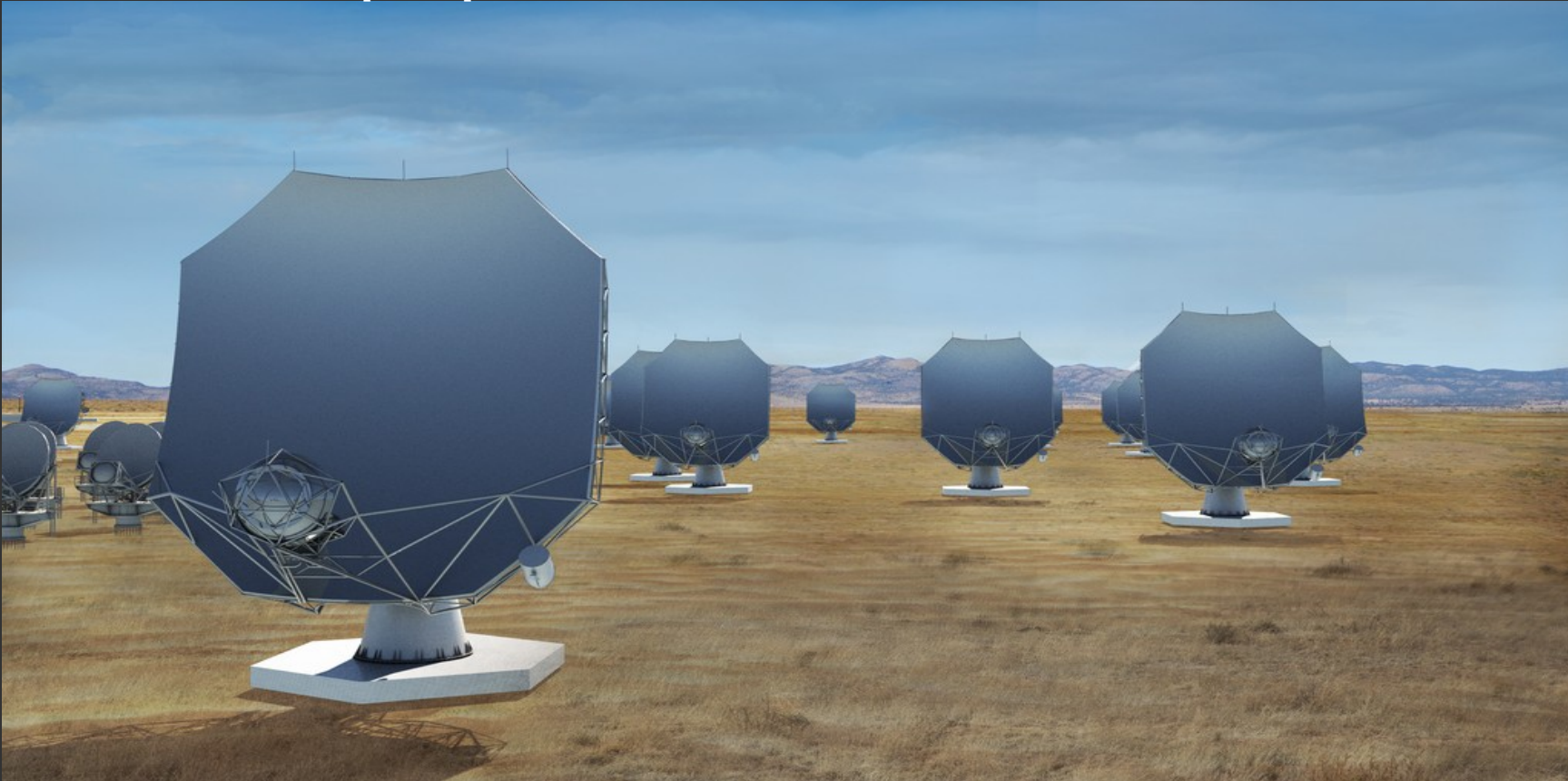


# Use of Kokkos for imaging with radio interferometric telescopes

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# Introduction

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- NRAO: A NSF funded national observatory 
  - Build and operate large radio astronomy facilities: VLA/ALMA/VLBA
  - Next-gen: ngVLA with 300 antennas spread across the US South-west
- Open source software for calibration and image reconstruction
  - Widely used in the RA community internationally
  - Runs on laptops, cluster, GPU/CPU,...,heterogeneous h/w

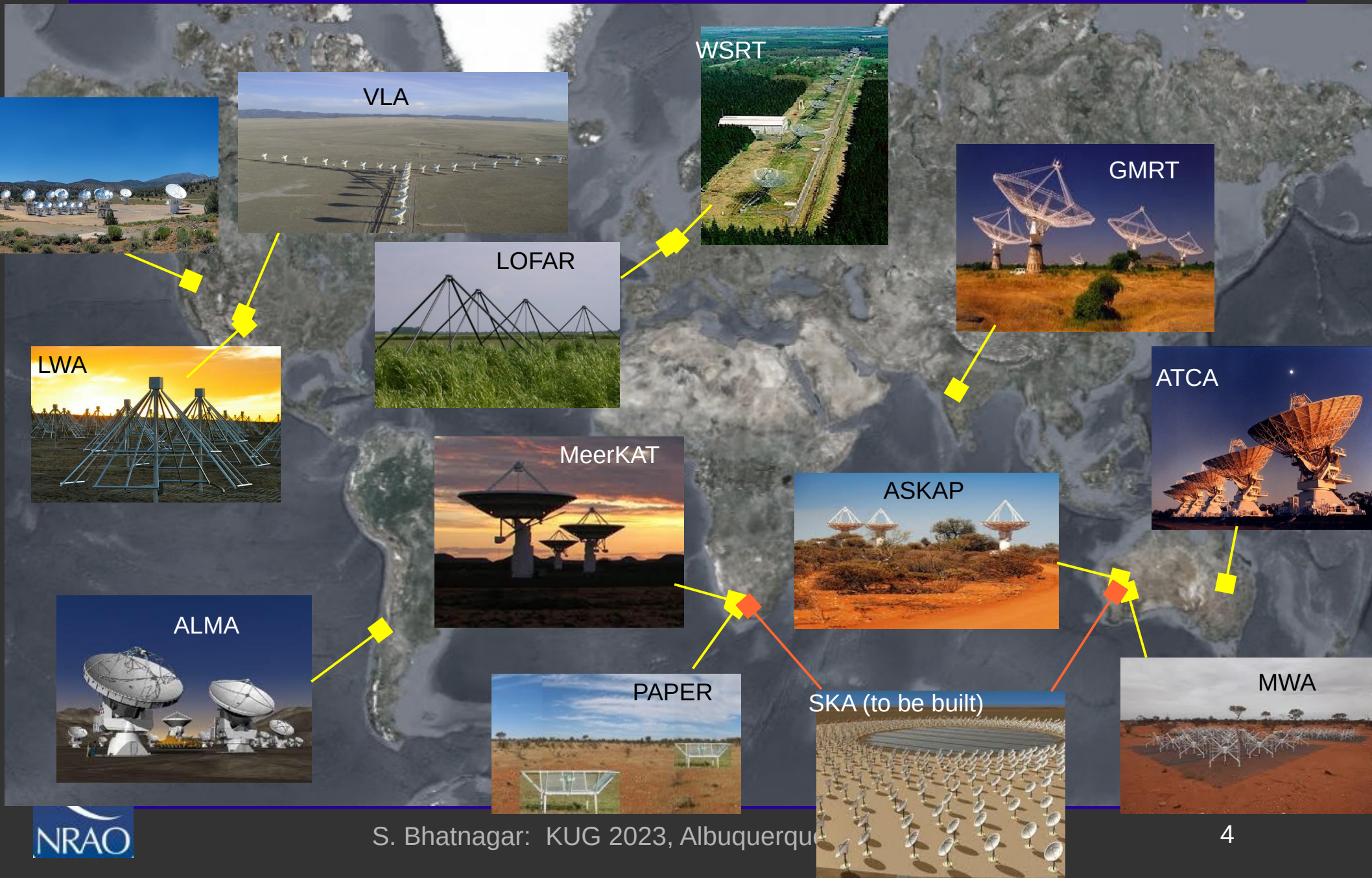


# The Very Large Array (NM, USA)

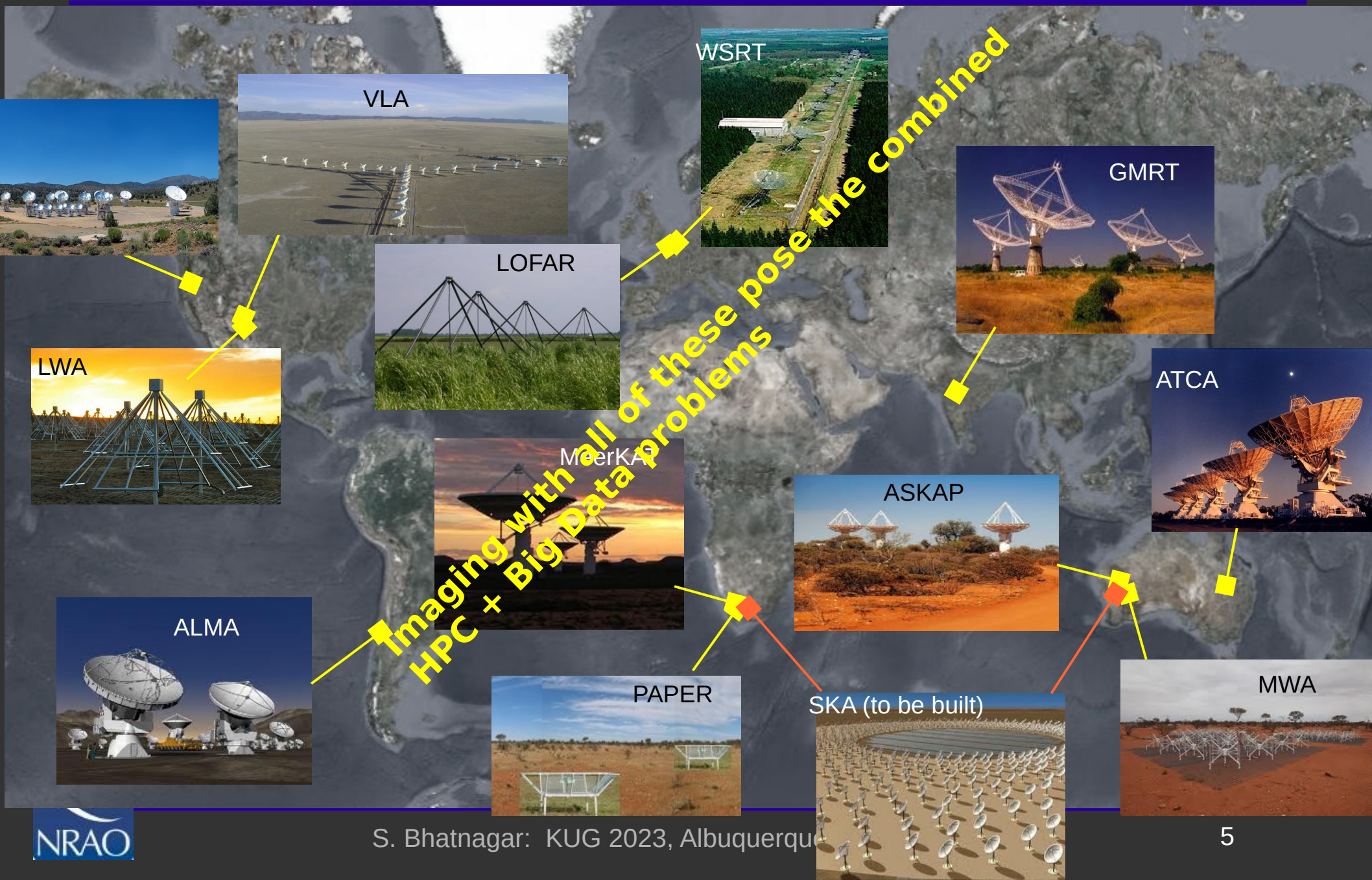


- Very Large Array
- 27 antennas
- Antennas movable on rails  
1 – 27 Km radius
- Spread over  
27 Km radius
- Size of the “lens”  
30 Km
- Frequency range  
300 MHz – 50 GHz

# Other RA Observatories in the world

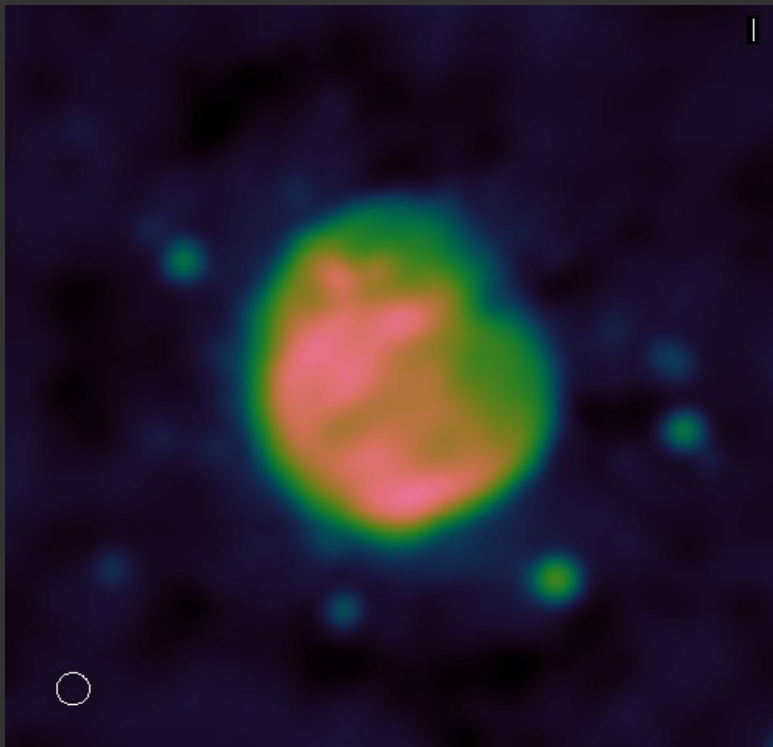


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# Aperture Synthesis Imaging: Why?

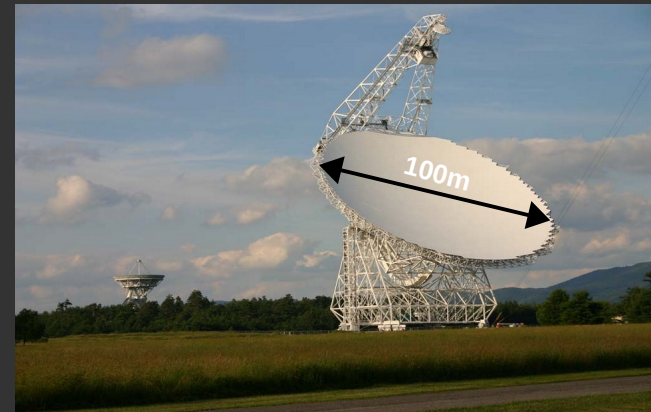
- Single dish Resolution too low for many scientific investigations
  - Limited collecting area + resolution limits sensitivity at low frequencies



Single dish resolving power

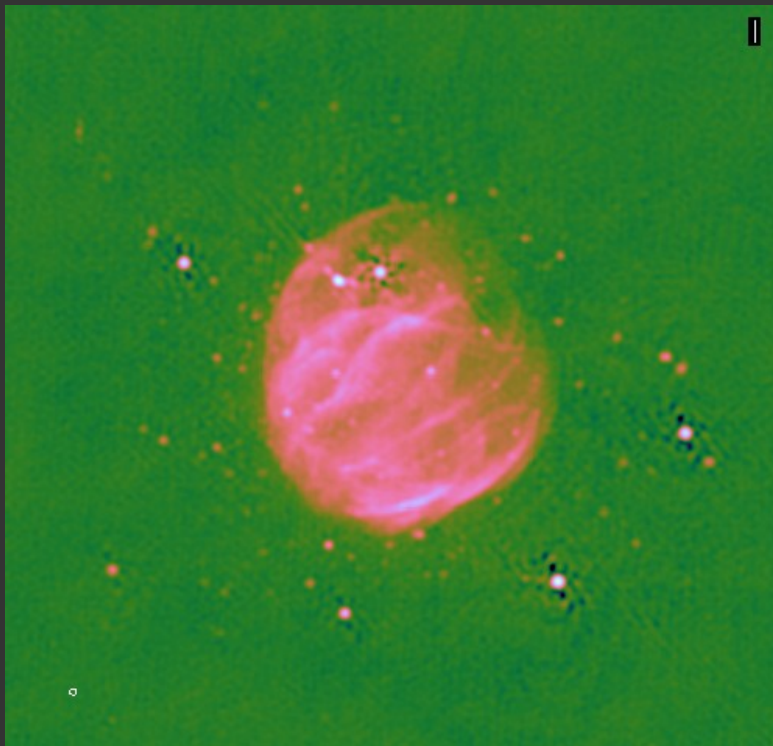
$$\frac{\text{Wavelength}}{\text{Dish Diameter}}$$

Biggest steerable single dish  
= 100 m



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Synthesis Array resolving power  
 $\frac{\text{Wavelength}}{\text{Max. separation between antennas}}$

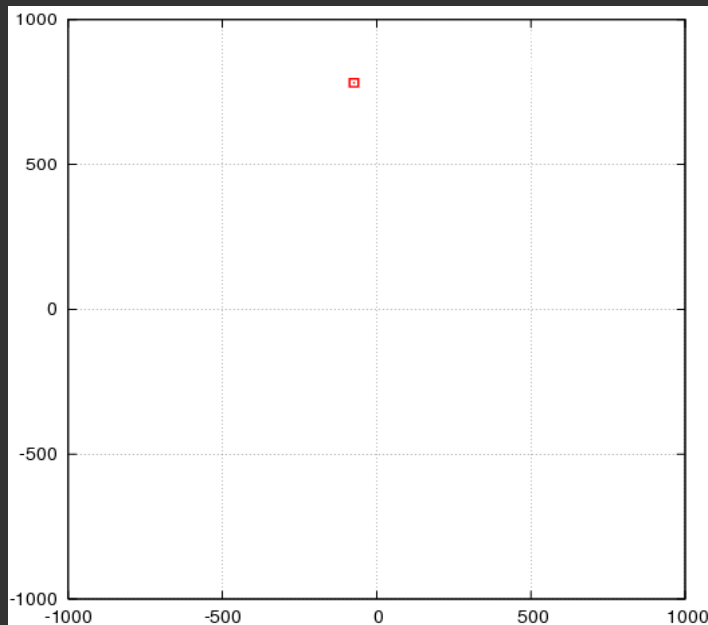
Max. separation in VLA  
= 35 km

Resolution: ~ 350x better



# Aperture Synthesis Imaging: How?

- An indirect imaging technique that collects data in the Fourier domain
  - Many antennas separated by 10s - 100s Km
  - Each pair of antennas measure **one** Fourier Component

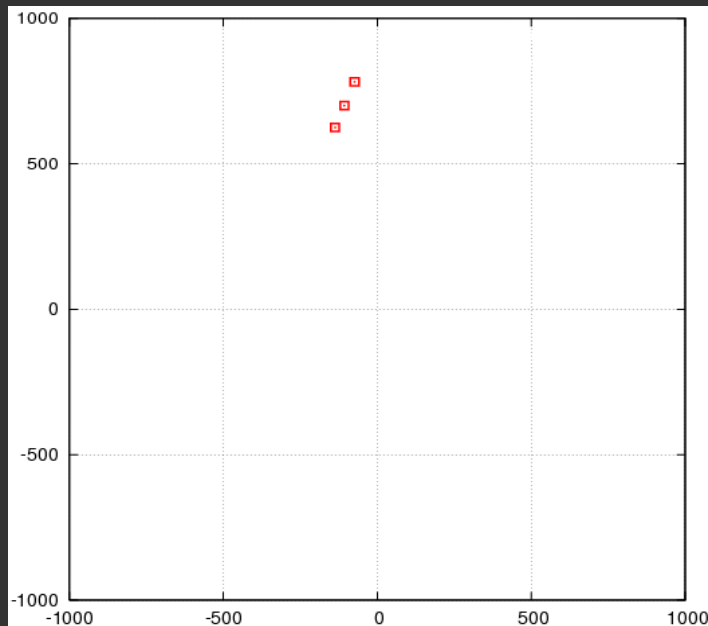


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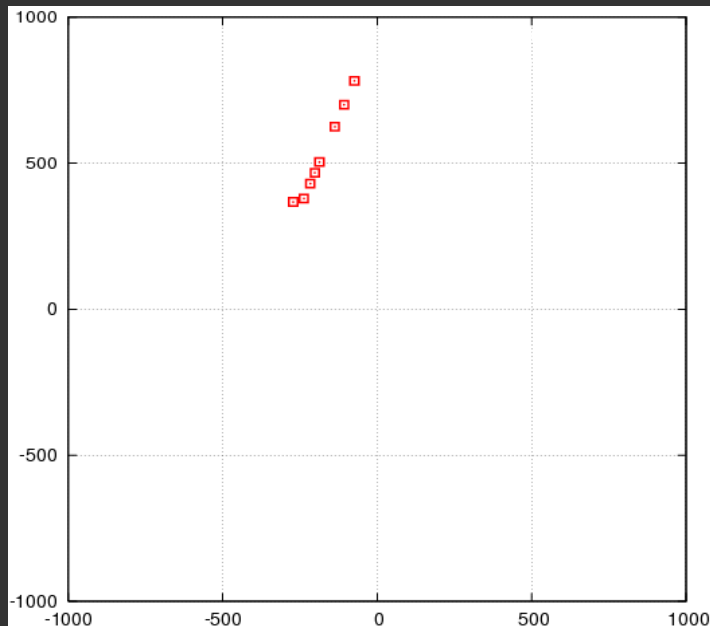
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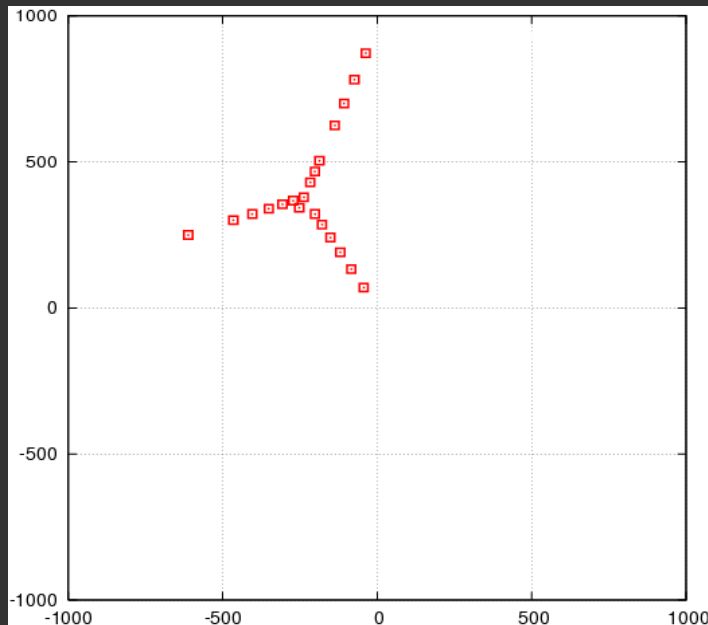
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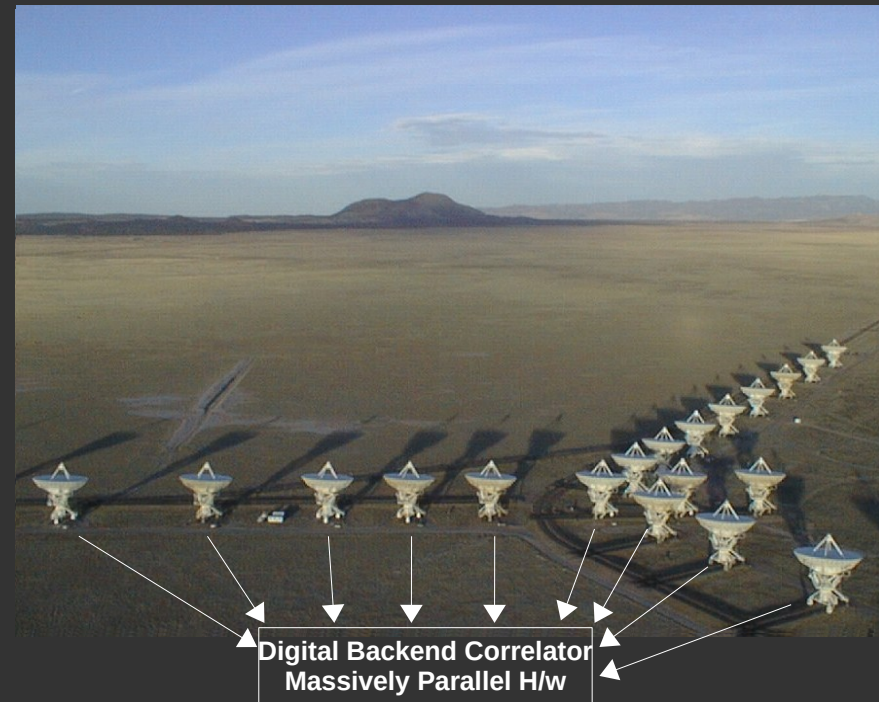
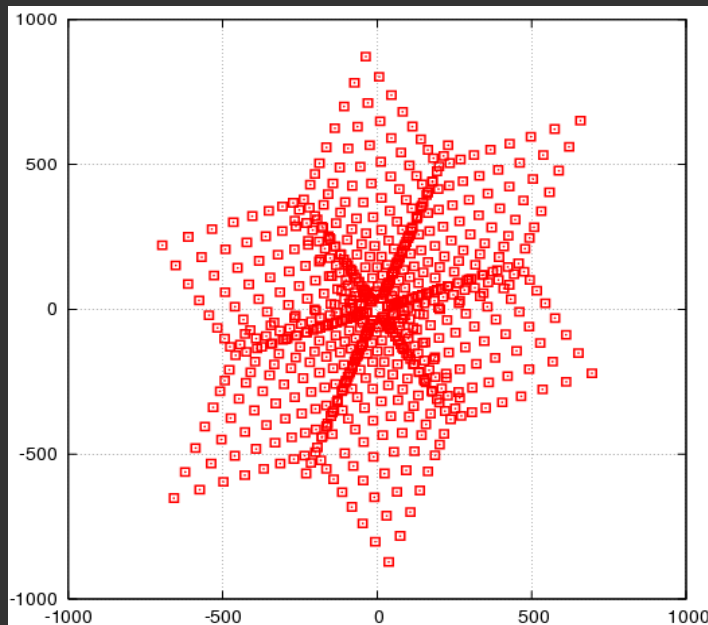
- An indirect imaging technique that collects data in the Fourier domain
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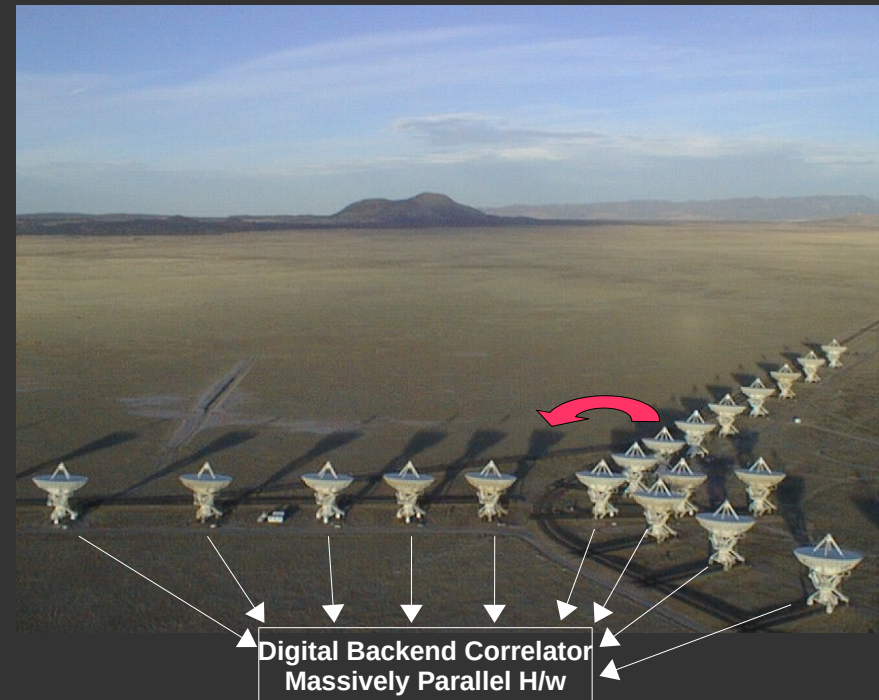
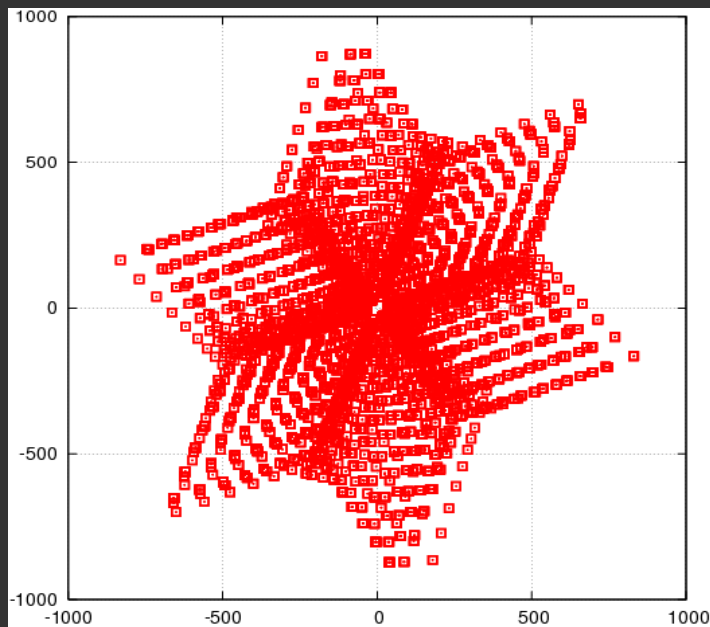
- An indirect imaging technique that collects data in the Fourier domain
  - Many antennas separated by 10s - 100s Km
  - **All** pairs with **all** antenna measure  $N(N-1)/2$  Fourier Component = **351**



- Synthesized aperture equal to the largest separation between antennas

# Aperture Synthesis Imaging: How?

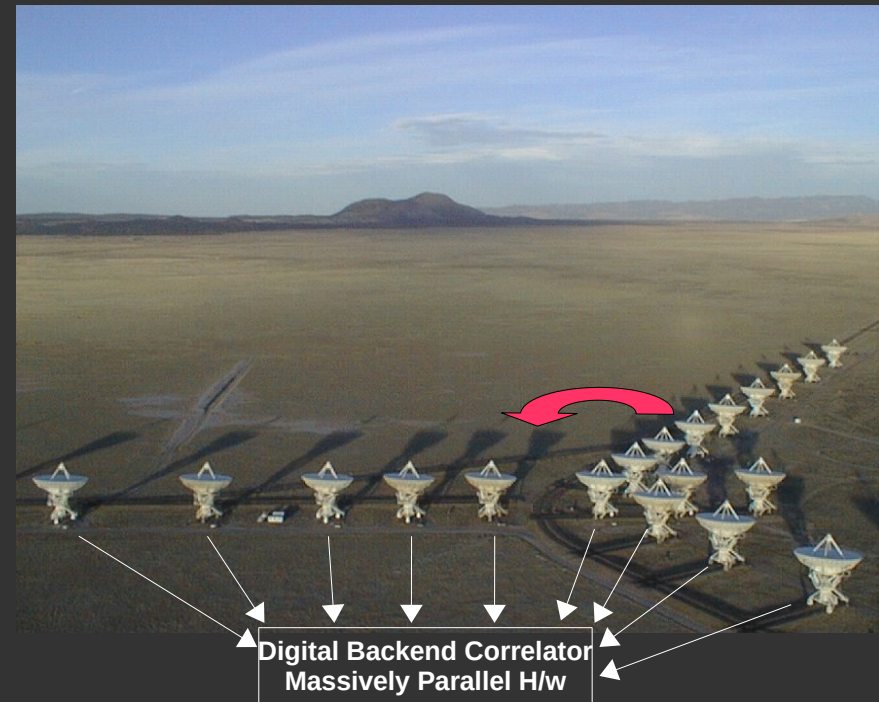
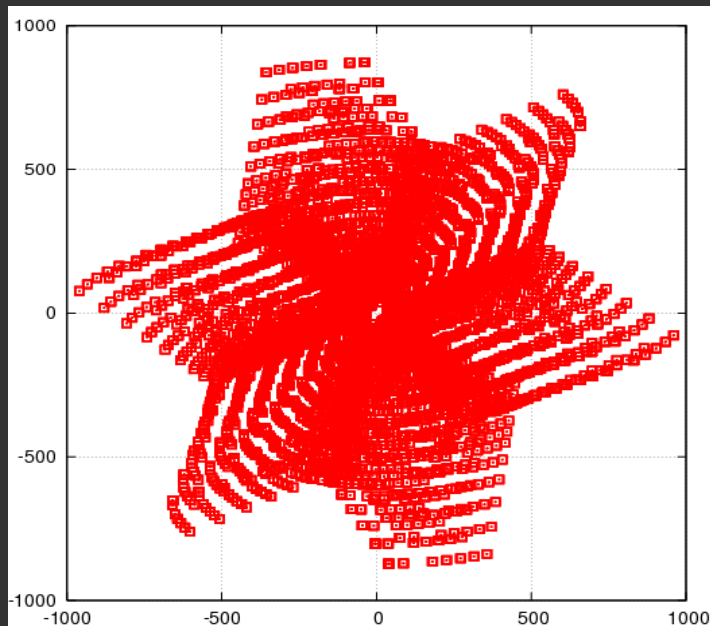
- Aperture Synthesis
  - Use **Earth Rotation Synthesis** to fill the Fourier plane
  - **All** pairs with **all** antenna measures  $N(N-1)/2$  Fourier Component
  - Measure  $N(N-1)/2 \times 2$  Fourier components over 2 integration time = **702**



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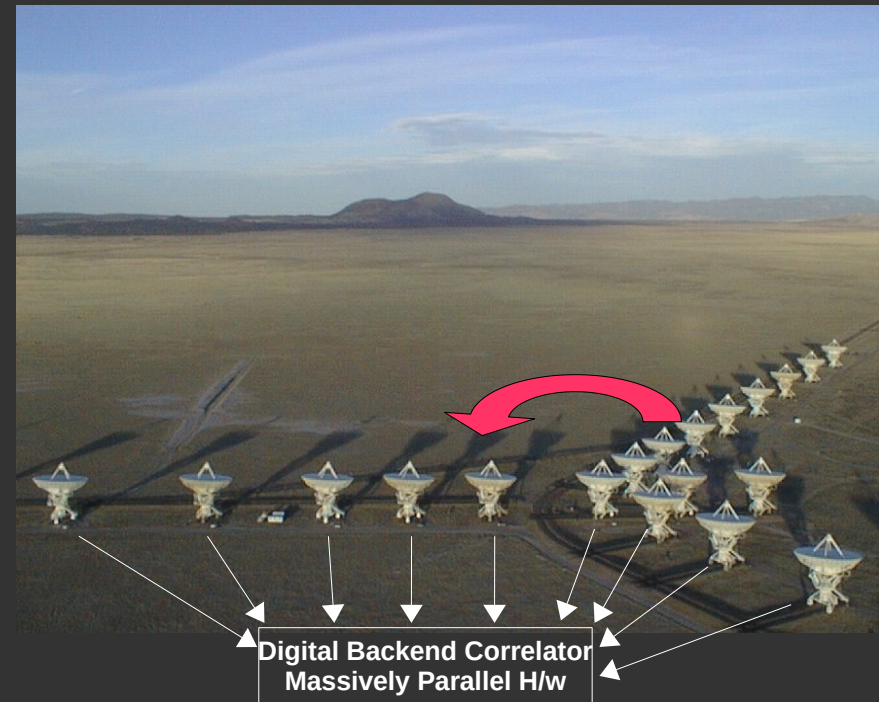
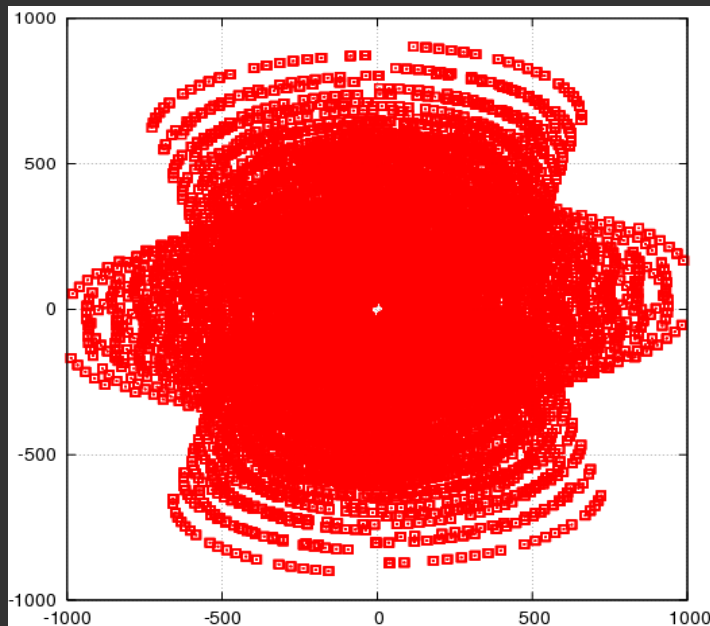
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  - Measure  $N(N-1)/2 \times 10$  Fourier components over 10 integrations = **7020**



- Synthesized aperture equal to the largest separation between antennas

# Aperture Synthesis Imaging: How?

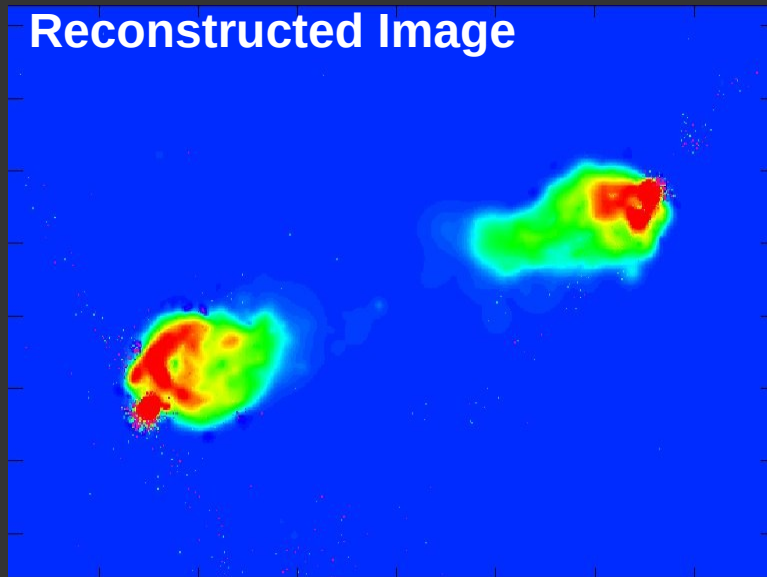
- Aperture Synthesis
  - Use **Earth Rotation Synthesis** to fill the Fourier plane
  - **All** pairs with **all** antenna measures  $N(N-1)/2$  Fourier Component
  - Fourier Components measured over 10 hr:  **$O(10^{12} - 15)$**



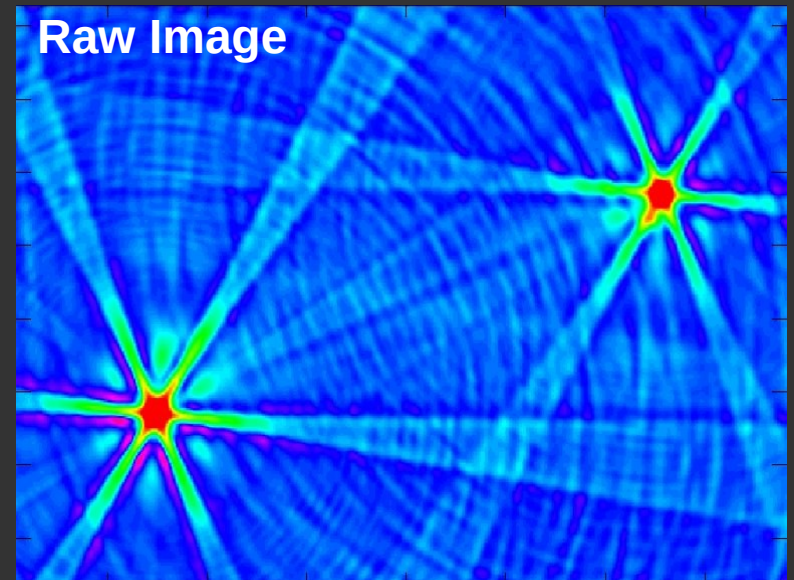
- Data Size: 10s - 100s TB now      Up to Exa Bytes for SKA-class telescopes
- Data not on a regular grid.

# Interferometric Imaging

- Raw image (FT of the raw data) is dynamic range limited



Dynamic range:  $> 1 : 1000,000$



Dynamic range:  $1 : 1000$

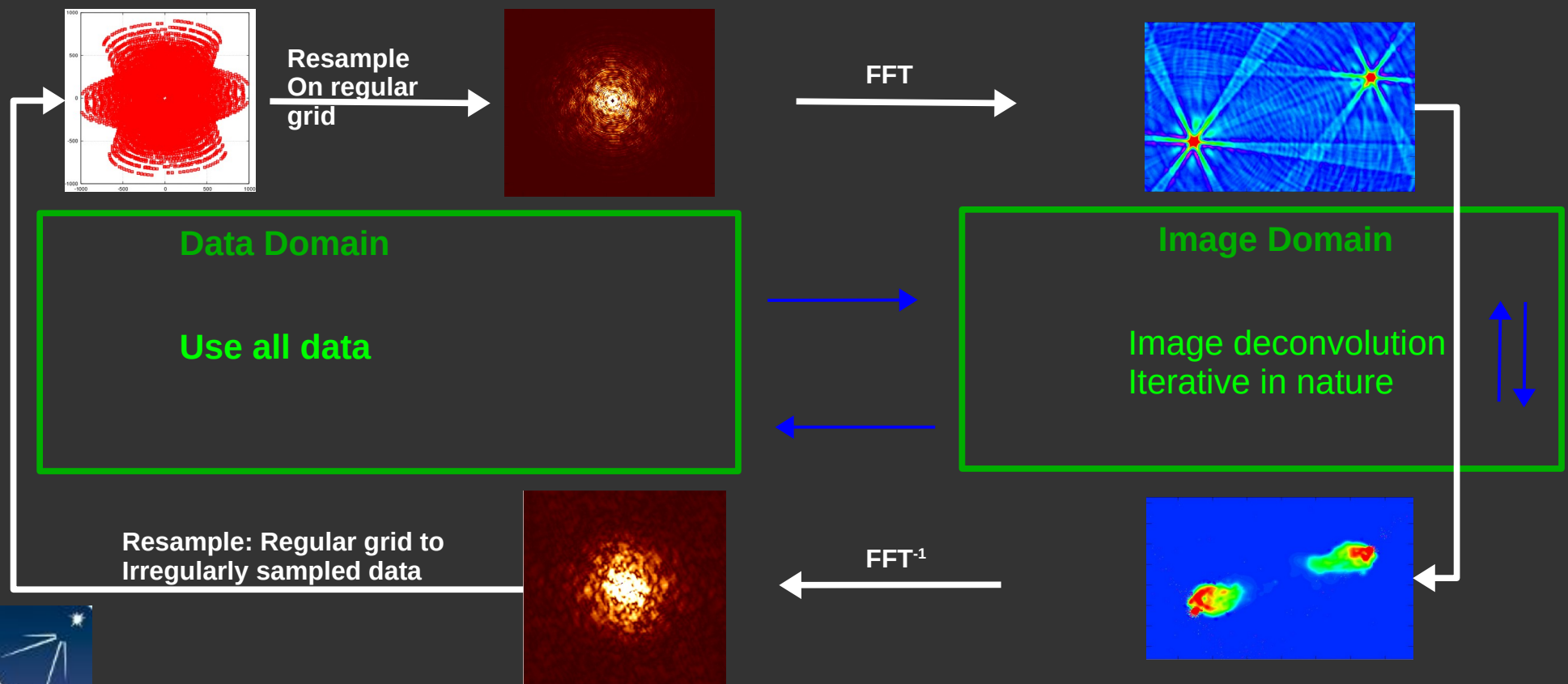
- Processing: Remove telescope artifacts to reconstruct the sky brightness
- Image reconstruction is a High-Performance-Computing-using-Big-Data problem



# The Computing Problem

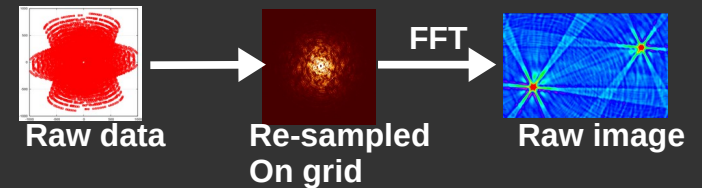
- Basic computing steps

1. Use FFT to transform to the image domain: **Gridding + FFT**
2. Image-plane deconvolution of the PSF : **Search and subtract on images**
3. Inverse transform to the data domain: **De-gridding + Inv. FFT**

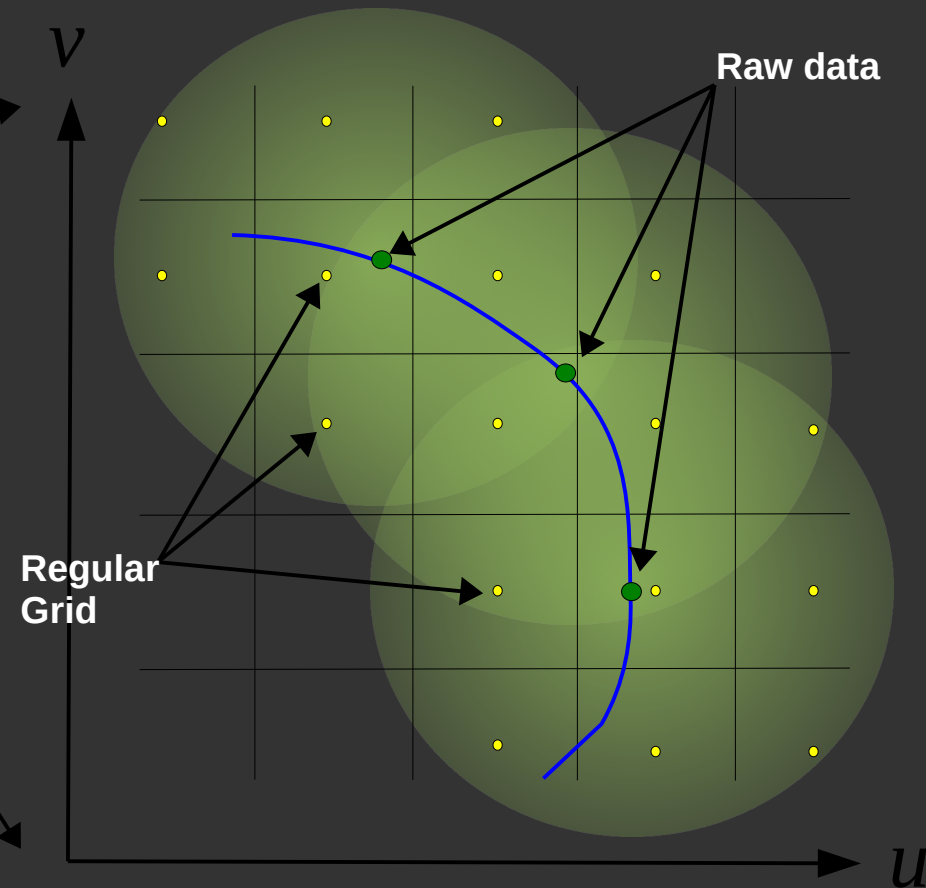
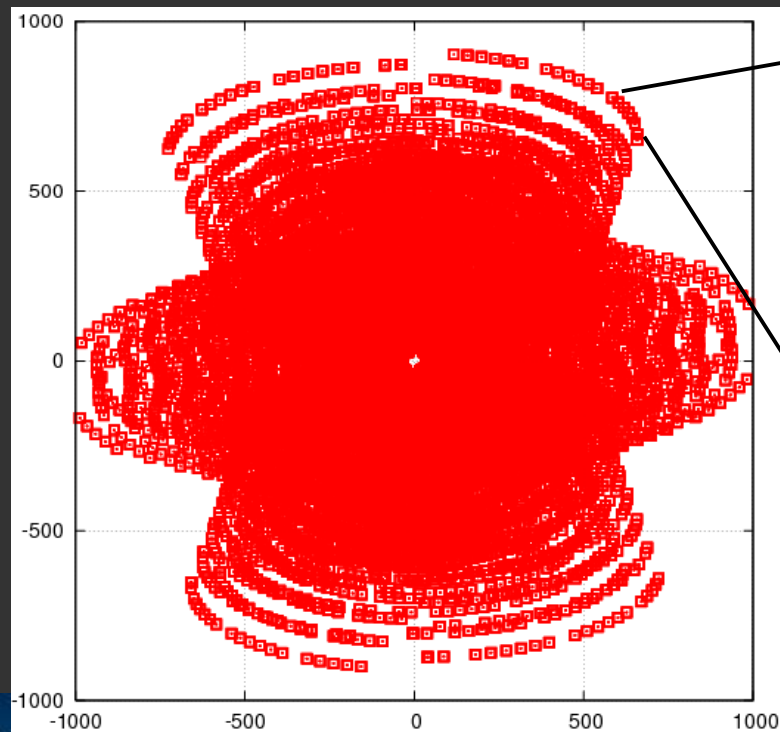


# The Computing Problem: Why Gridding?

- Raw data is not on a regular grid
  - FFT require re-sampling on a regular grid

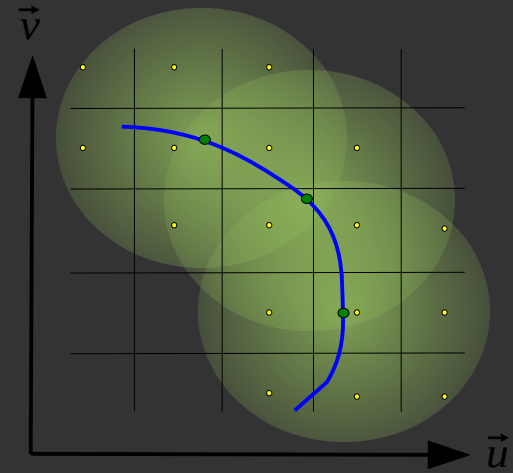


NU-FFT: But with specialized kernels



# Computing requirements

- $N_{\text{data}} \times N_{\text{CF}}^2 \times \text{Gridding FLOP} + \text{overheads}$
- ngVLA:  $O(10^{13-14}) \times (10 \times 10) \times \dots = \sim 50 \text{ PFLOP/s}$
- SKA:  $O(10^{15}) \times \dots = \sim \text{ExaFLOP}$
- **HPC + Big-Data**
  - Continuous data flow (24x7 observing)
  - PFLOPS / ExaFLOPS to keep-up with the data rates
  - 100s of Tera Bytes for a typical observing session
- **Computing needs to be efficient and 24x7**
  - Not a one-shot experiment on a homogeneous super-computer
- **Requirement: Seamless computing 24x7 on a heterogeneous cluster**



# Algorithm Architecture: Components view

$$P_j^{k+1} = P_j^k + [H]^{-1} f\left(\frac{\partial \chi^2}{\partial P_j^k}\right)$$

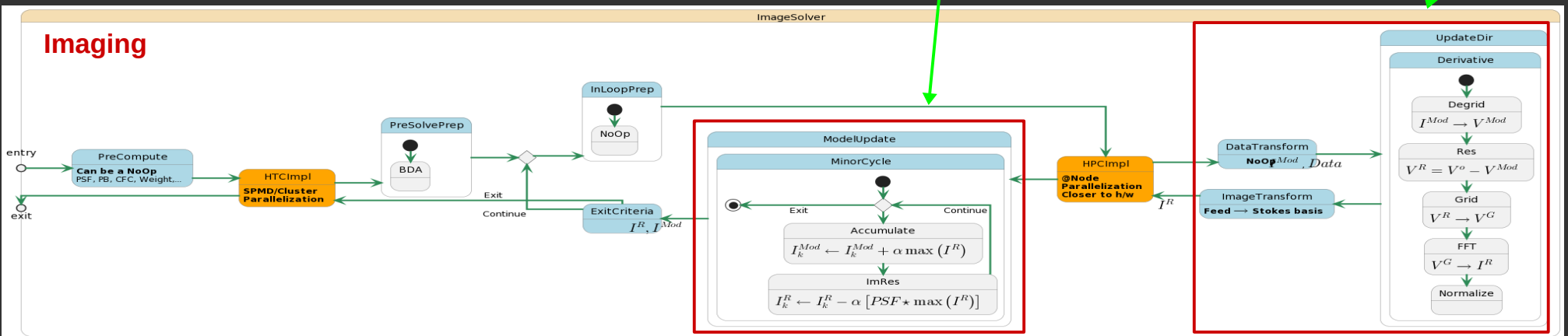
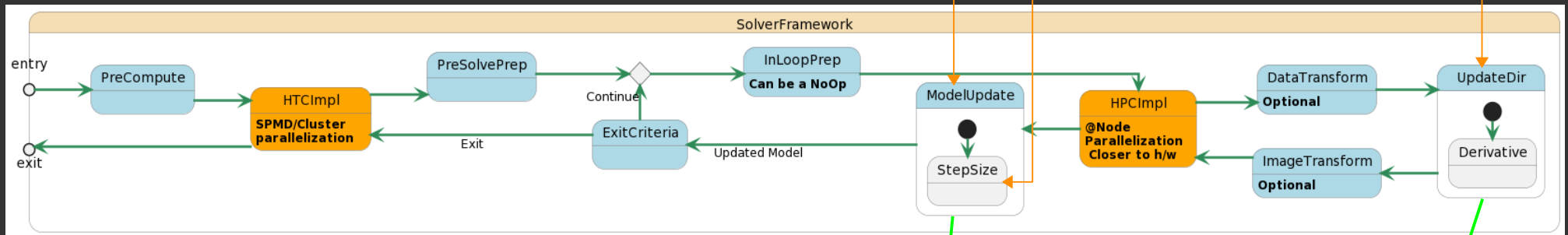
a.k.a. the "Minor cycle"

Update Model Image

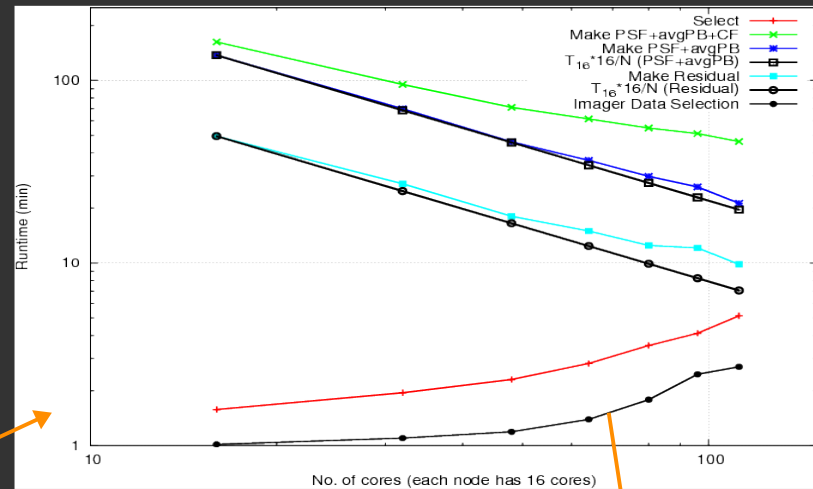
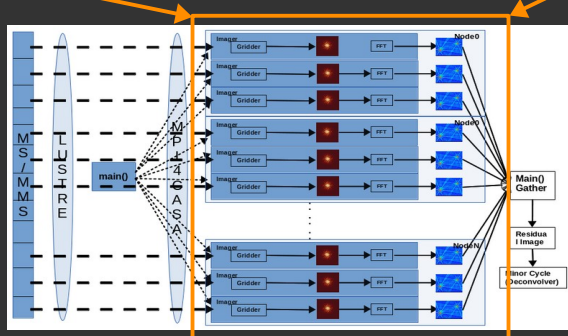
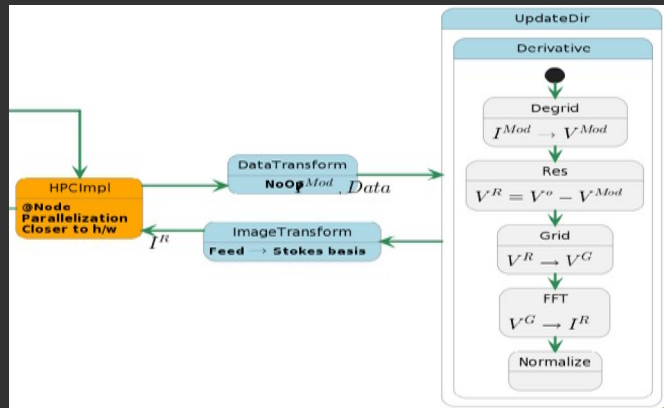
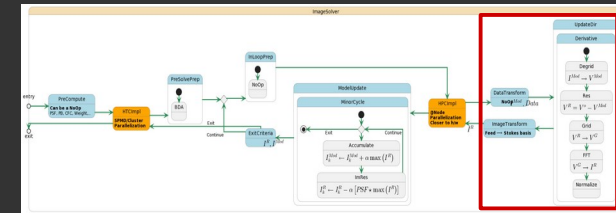
a.k.a. the "Loop gain"

a.k.a. the "Major Cycle"

Compute Residual Image



# Scaling: On multi-CPU/cores hardware

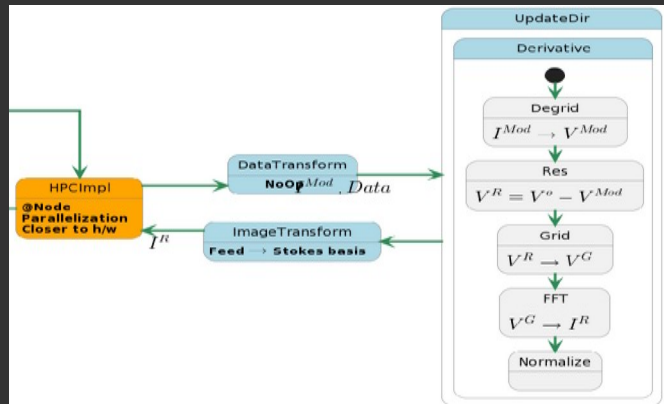
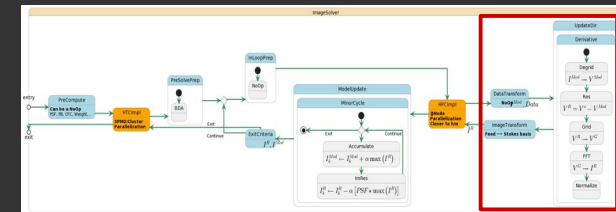


• Data scatter overheads

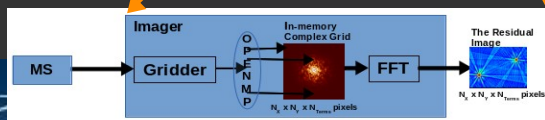
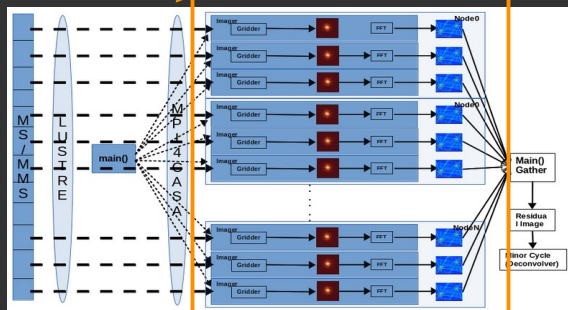


ngVLA would need **O(Million)-way** parallization!

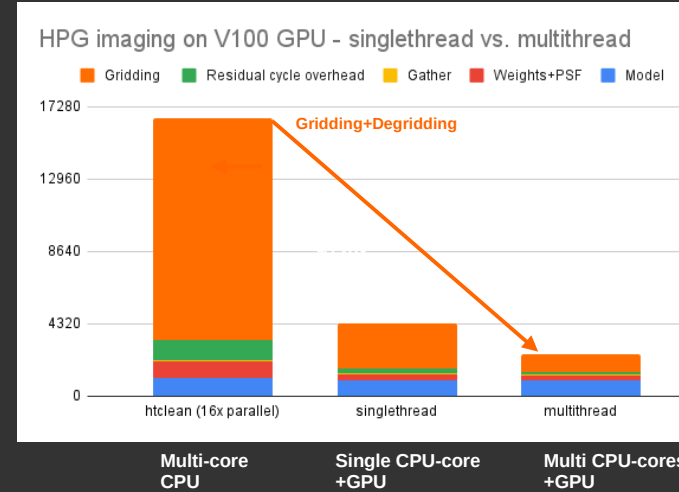
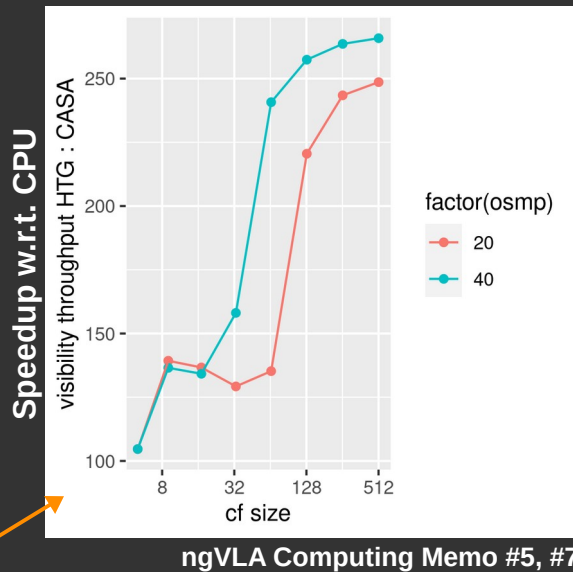
# Scaling on GPU: Using Kokkos



Complexity reduction

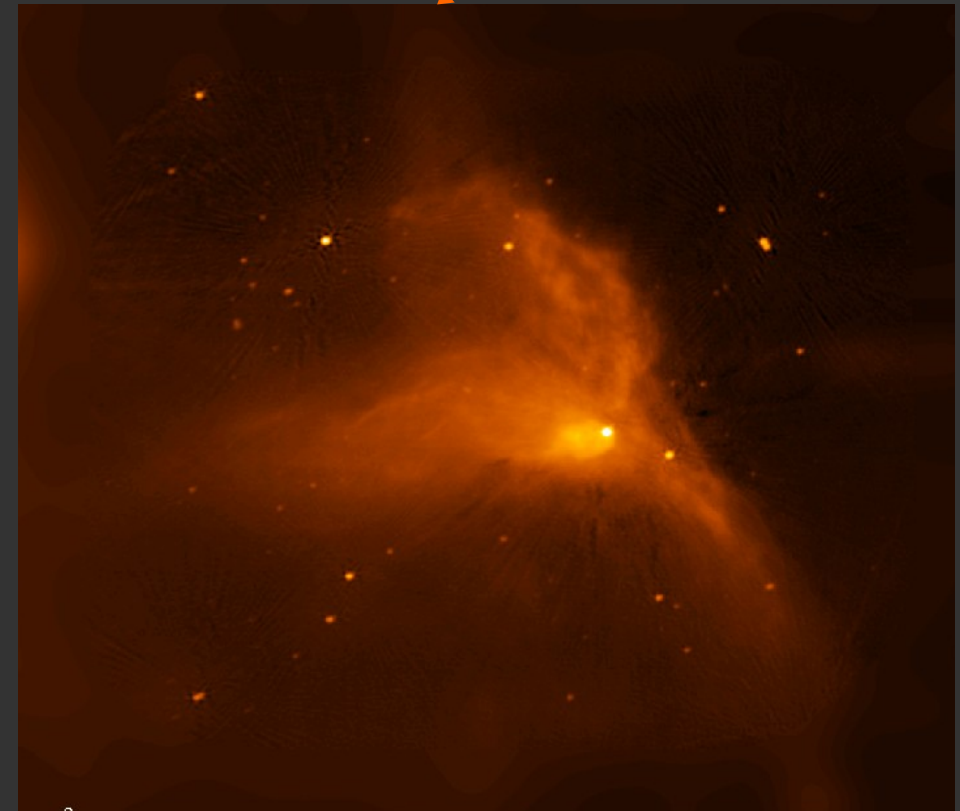
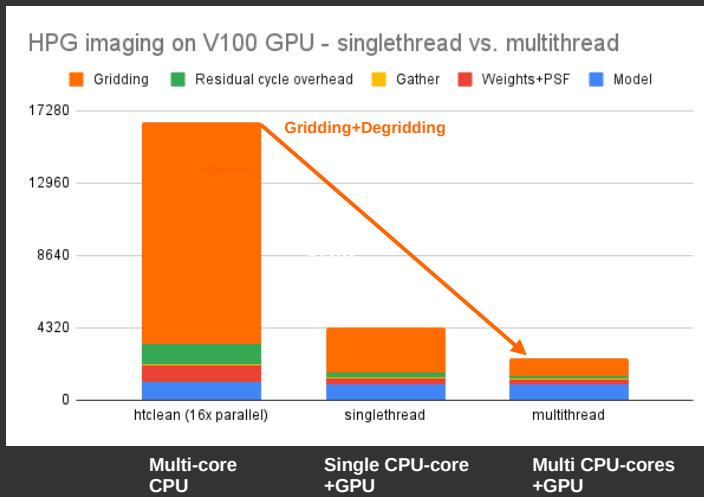
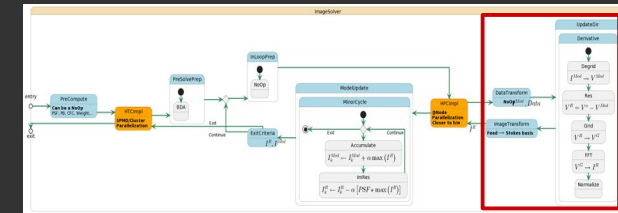


ngVLA would need  $O(10^3)$ -way parallelization!



# Scaling in real-life

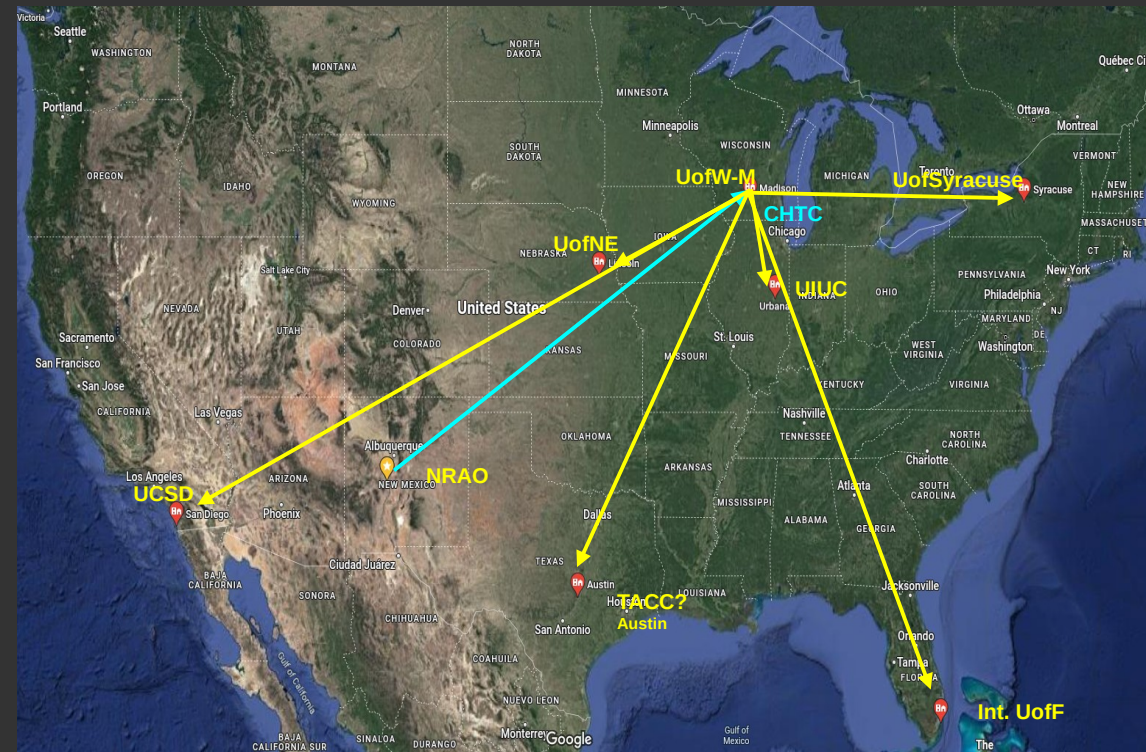
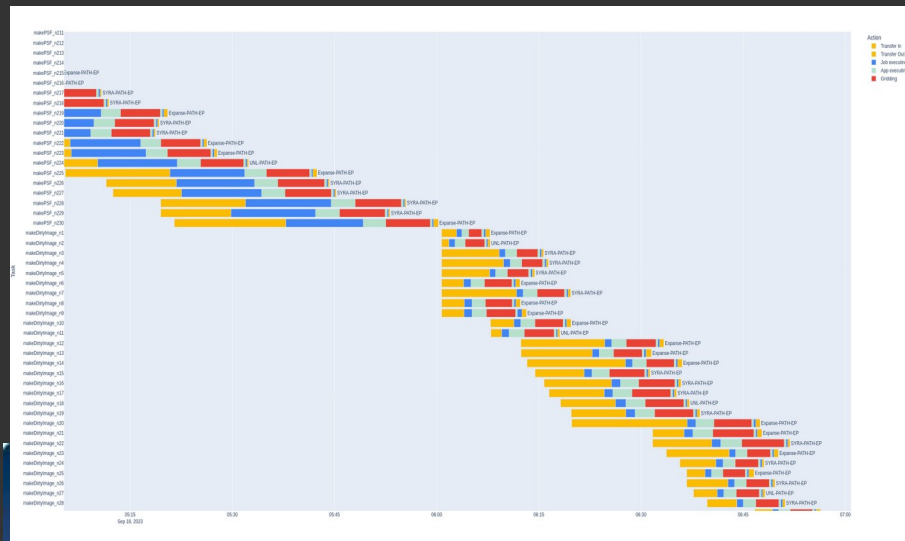
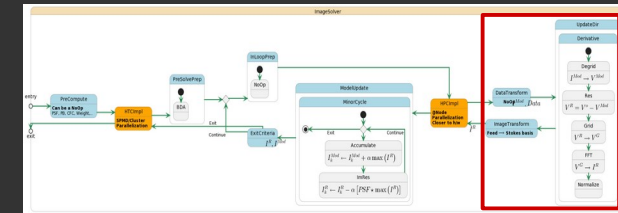
- A gridded on a GPU using Kokkos (NGVLA Memo #05)
- What does it mean in real-life application?
  - 200-pointing wide-band mosaic: 7-10 days vs 2.5hr



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# Scaling: On Wide-area network (OSG)

- Distributed High Throughput Computing:
  - Center for High Throughput Computing, U of W-M.
    - » PATH: A GPU cluster at a national scale
  - AWS: CPU cluster
- Opportunistic computing + Edge-caching
- Work in progress
  - Currently effort is resource-limited!
  - More human and computing resources
  - **International resources**

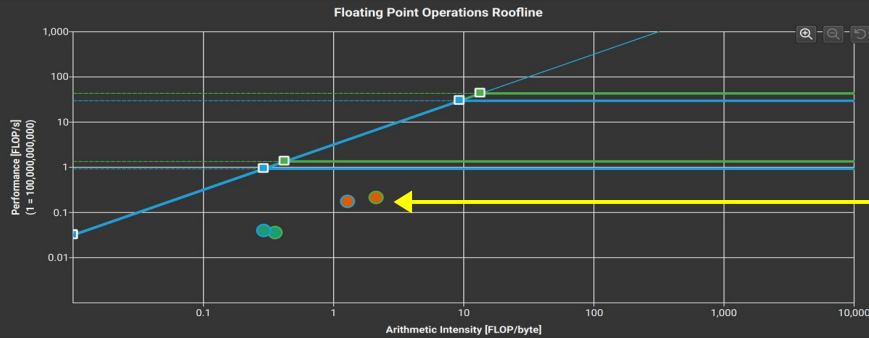




# Optimization: Hardware generations

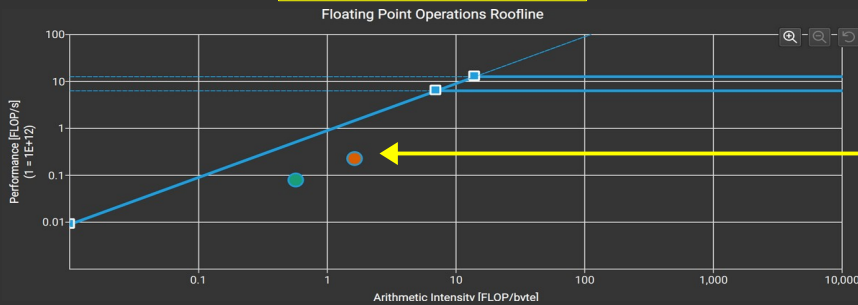
- Scaling on the GPU: View from the “inside”

**NVIDIA T4 GPU**

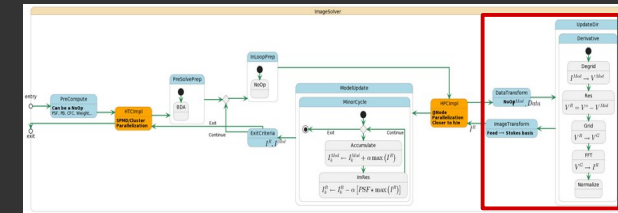


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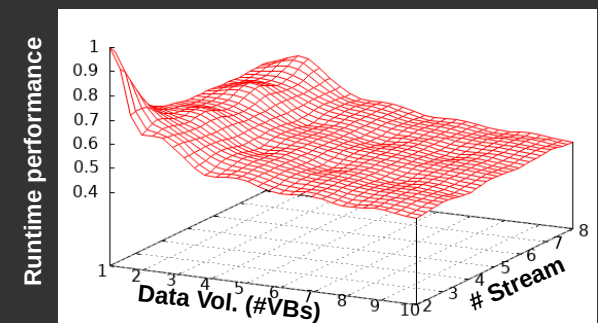
**NVIDIA V100 GPU**



HPG is memory-bandwidth bound



[Courtesy Jagannathan, Heriart]



# Issues, future work

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- Ported one compute hot-spot using Kokkos
  - $O(100x)$  improvement compared to a CPU core, but still need  $O(10^3)$  GPUs!
  - GPU occupancy remains low:  $< 50\%$
- Scaling with data volume (in GPU memory)
  - Runtime remains unchanged with data volume, No. of Streams
- I/O bandwidths
  - Data store  $\rightarrow$  Compute nodes  $\rightarrow$  GPU
- Move more compute to GPU
  - Calibration : Multiple iterations on data in GPU memory
  - Compute CF in the GPU: OTF numerically, Analytical
- Kokkos for logically partitioned GPUs (H100)?
- Performance of the same code on GPU and CPU?
- Decorations for Roofline model of a code segment?