

International Workshop on Phased Array Antenna Systems for Radio Astronomy

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Technical Program

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Monday, May 3, 2010

Updates on Worldwide Phased Array Development Efforts

- 9:00am **APERTIF Phased Array Feed development for the Westerbork Synthesis Radio Telescope**, W.A. van Cappellen, *ASTRON, The Netherlands*
- 9:30 **Aperture Array Developments at ASTRON**, S. Wijnholds, *ASTRON, The Netherlands*
- 10:00 **Chequerboard Phased Array Feed Testing for ASKAP**, A. Chippendale, J. O'Sullivan, J. Reynolds, R. Gough, D. Hayman, S. Hay, R. Shaw, and R. Qiao, *CSIRO, Australia*
- 10:30 Morning break
- 11:00 **Obtaining the Simulated Response of a 19 Element Focal Phased Array for the Feasibility Study for the Arecibo Radio Telescope**, G. Cortes-Medellin¹, K. F. Warnick², and B. Jeffs², ¹*NAIC, Cornell University, USA*, ²*Brigham Young University, USA*
- 11:30 **PAF for the FAST Telescope**, Jin, C., Zhu, K., Gan, H., and Nan, R., *National Astronomical Observatories, Chinese Academy of Sciences, China*
- 12:00 **Active Impedance Matched Dual-Polarization Phased Array Feed for the GBT** K. F. Warnick¹, D. E. Carter¹, T. Webb¹, B. D. Jeffs¹, R. Norrod², J. R. Fisher³, ¹*Brigham Young University, USA*, ²*National Radio Astronomy Observatory, Green Bank, WV, USA*, ³*National Radio Astronomy Observatory, Charlottesville, VA, USA*
- 12:30 Lunch (provided at workshop venue)

System Level Phased Array Issues

- 2:00 **The Science Case for APERTIF**, G. Heald¹, T. Oosterloo^{1,2}, and M. Verheijen², ¹*ASTRON, The Netherlands*, ²*Kapteyn Astronomical Institute, The Netherlands*
- 2:30 **Analysis of Reflector and Feed Scattering and Coupling Effects on the Sensitivity of Phased Array Feeds**, S. Hay¹, R. Mittra², and N. Huang^{2,3}, ¹*CSIRO ICT Centre, Australia*, ²*EMC Lab, Pennsylvania State University, USA*, ³*Yun-Tze University, Taiwan*
- 3:00 **Eliminating Sensitivity Ripples in Prime Focus Reflectors with Low-scattering Phased Array Feeds**, W.A. van Cappellen and L. Bakker, *ASTRON, The Netherlands*
- 3:30 Afternoon break
- 4:00 **Practical Aspects of Focal Plane Array Testing: Lessons from an FPA Test-bed at CSIRO, Marsfield**, D. Hayman¹⁻³, T. Bird^{2,3}, K. Esselle³, and P. Hall⁴, ¹*CSIRO Astronomy and Space Science, Australia*, ²*CSIRO ICT Centre, Australia*, ³*Macquarie University, Australia*, ⁴*Curtin University of Technology, Australia*
- 4:30 Discussion

Tuesday, May 4

Calibration, Beamforming and Polarimetry with Astronomical Phased Arrays

- 9:00 **Calibration of Radio Astronomical Phased Arrays**, S. Wijnholds, *ASTRON, The Netherlands*
- 9:30 **Deep Nulling Interference Cancellation for Phased Array Feeds**, J. Landon, B. D. Jeffs, and K. F. Warnick, *Brigham Young University, USA*
- 10:00 **Beamformer Design Methods for Phased Array Feeds**, M. Elmer, B. D. Jeffs, and K. F. Warnick, *Brigham Young University, USA*
- 10:30 Morning break
- 11:00 **On the Polarization Diversity of Aperture Array Antennas for SKA Wide-Field Polarimetry**, R. Maaskant and T. D. Carozzi, *ASTRON, The Netherlands, Chalmers University of Technology, Sweden*
- 11:30 **Polarimetry with Phased-Array Feeds**, B. Veidt, *National Research Council of Canada, Canada*
- 12:00 **Calibration and Beamforming for Polarimetric Phased Array Feeds**, K. F. Warnick, B. Jeffs, and T. Webb, *Brigham Young University, USA*
- 12:30 Lunch (provided at workshop site)

Design Optimization of Phased Arrays and RF Electronics

- 2:00 **Numerical Approach for the Analysis and Optimization of Phased Array Feed Systems** M. Ivashina, *ASTRON, The Netherlands*
- 2:30 **Circular Phased Array of Wideband 3D Vivaldi Antennas for Radio Astronomy** R. Sarkis and C. Craeye, *Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium*
- 3:00 **Low Noise Amplifiers for Phased Array Feeds**, S. Weinreb, *California Institute of Technology, USA*
- 3:30 Afternoon break
- 4:00 **Comparison of Tuner-based Noise-parameter Extraction Methods for Measurement of Room-temperature SKA LNAs**, L. Belostotski, *University of Calgary, Canada*
- 4:30 **Photonic Integrated Beamformers for Broadband Radio Astronomy**, M. Burla¹, R. Khan¹, D. Marpaung¹, C. Roeloffzen¹, P. Maat², K. Dijkstra², A. Leinse³, M. Hoekman³, and R. Heideman³, ¹*Telecommunication Engineering Group, CTIT Research Institute, University of Twente, the Netherlands*, ²*ASTRON, The Netherlands*, ³*LioniX B.V., The Netherlands*
- 6:30 Barbeque Banquet Dinner (Harmon Building Patio)

Wednesday, May 5

SKA Technology Development

- 9:00am **Shaped Optics and Phased-Array Feeds**, B. Veidt, *National Research Council of Canada, Canada*
- 9:30 **Non-periodic Arrays for Radio-astronomy Applications**, D. González-Ovejero, E. de Lera Acedo, N. Razavi-Ghods, L. E. García-Muñoz, and C. Craeye, *Université Catholique Louvain, Belgium*.
- 10:00 **Sky Noise and Sensitivity Studies of Array Configurations and Antenna Elements for the Low-Frequency Band of the SKA**, E. de Lera Acedo¹, N. Razavi-Ghods¹, E. García², P. J. Duffett-Smith¹, and P. Alexander¹, ¹*University of Cambridge, UK*, ²*University Carlos III of Madrid, Spain*
- 10:30 Morning break
- 11:00 **On-going work with the Cryogenic Eleven Antenna at the MIT Haystack Observatory** C. Beaudoin¹, P.-S. Kildal², J. Yang², M. Pantaleev³, and B. Klein⁴, ¹*MIT Haystack Observatory, USA*, ²*Chalmers Institute of Technology, Sweden*, ³*Onsala Space Observatory, Sweden*, ⁴*University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa*
- 11:30 **Steps Toward a Cryogenic L-band Phased Array Feed for Reflector Antennas** R. Norrod¹, J. R. Fisher², B. Jeffs³, and K. F. Warnick³, ¹*National Radio Astronomy Observatory, Green Bank, WV, USA*, ²*National Radio Astronomy Observatory, Charlottesville, VA, USA*, ³*Brigham Young University, USA*
- 12:00 **System Noise Calculations over the Decade Bandwidth of the Eleven Feed** B. Klein^{1,2}, P. Kildal², J. Yang², M. Pantaleev³, L. Helledner³, and C. Beaudoin⁴, ¹*University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa*, ² *Chalmers Institute of Technology, Sweden*, ³ *Onsala Space Observatory, Sweden*, ⁴ *MIT Haystack Observatory, USA*
- 12:30 Lunch (provided at workshop venue)
- 2:00 **FIDA3: Design and Characterization of a Differential Active Array Demonstrator for the SKA**, O. Garcia-Perez^{1,2}, L. E. Garcia-Muñoz¹, D. Segovia-Vargas¹, V. Gonzalez-Posadas³, and J. A. Lopez-Fernandez², ¹*DTSC, Univ. Carlos III de Madrid, Spain*, ²*OAN, Instituto Geográfico Nacional, Spain*, ³*DIAC, Univ. Politécnica de Madrid, Spain*
- 2:30 Discussion
- 3:00 Afternoon break (general workshop sessions end)
- 3:30 **PAFSKA Meeting** (contact Dave DeBoer for more information)