

# Instrumental calibrations

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# Why instrumental calibration

- A number of effects will reduce amplitude:
  - This leads to unrecoverable signal-to-noise loss.
  - Needs to be calibrated out in any case.
- Phase information as a dramatic effect on images.
  - Need as good as possible control of the phases.
- Need to setup the system for optimal performances:
  - Receiver alignments.
  - Panel adjustment.
- This can only be obtained by either:
  - Dedicated observing session
  - Long term monitoring
- Most effects need to be correct at the time of observing and cannot be corrected later on.



# Outline

- Amplitude:
  - Atmospheric
    - Astronomical observations calibration.
    - WVR calibration.
  - Pointing.
  - Focusing.
- Phase:
  - Delay calibration.
  - Baselines measurements.
  - Cable phase correction.
- Holography.

# Atmospheric calibration

# System temperature

$$\begin{aligned} T_{ant} &= T_{bg} \\ &+ T_{sky} \sim \eta_f(1 - \exp(-\tau_{atm}))T_{atm} \\ &+ T_{spill} \sim (1 - \eta_f - \eta_{loss})T_{ground} \\ &+ T_{loss} \sim \eta_{loss}T_{cabin} \\ &+ T_{rec} \end{aligned}$$

- At mm wavelength, we are dominated by the atmosphere.
- $35\text{K} < T_{rec} < 100\text{ K}$
- Taking into account receiver rejection and referring to a perfect antenna outside atmosphere, one gets:

$$T_{sys} = (1 + g) \frac{\exp(\tau_{atm})}{\eta_f} T_{ant}$$

- Opacity correction allows to have sources on a scale proportional to their intensities (no more elevation dependent)

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    - Assume linearity of the receiving chain:

$$P_{chop} = K \times (T_{chop} + T_{rec})$$

$$P_{cold} = K \times (T_{cold} + T_{rec})$$

$$T_{rec} = \frac{P_{cold} \times T_{hot} - P_{hot} \times T_{cold}}{P_{hot} - P_{cold}}$$

- NOEMA: we use an ambient temperature load and mirror looking back at the 15K stage of the cryostat.
- *ALMA: ambient and hot load (350K).*

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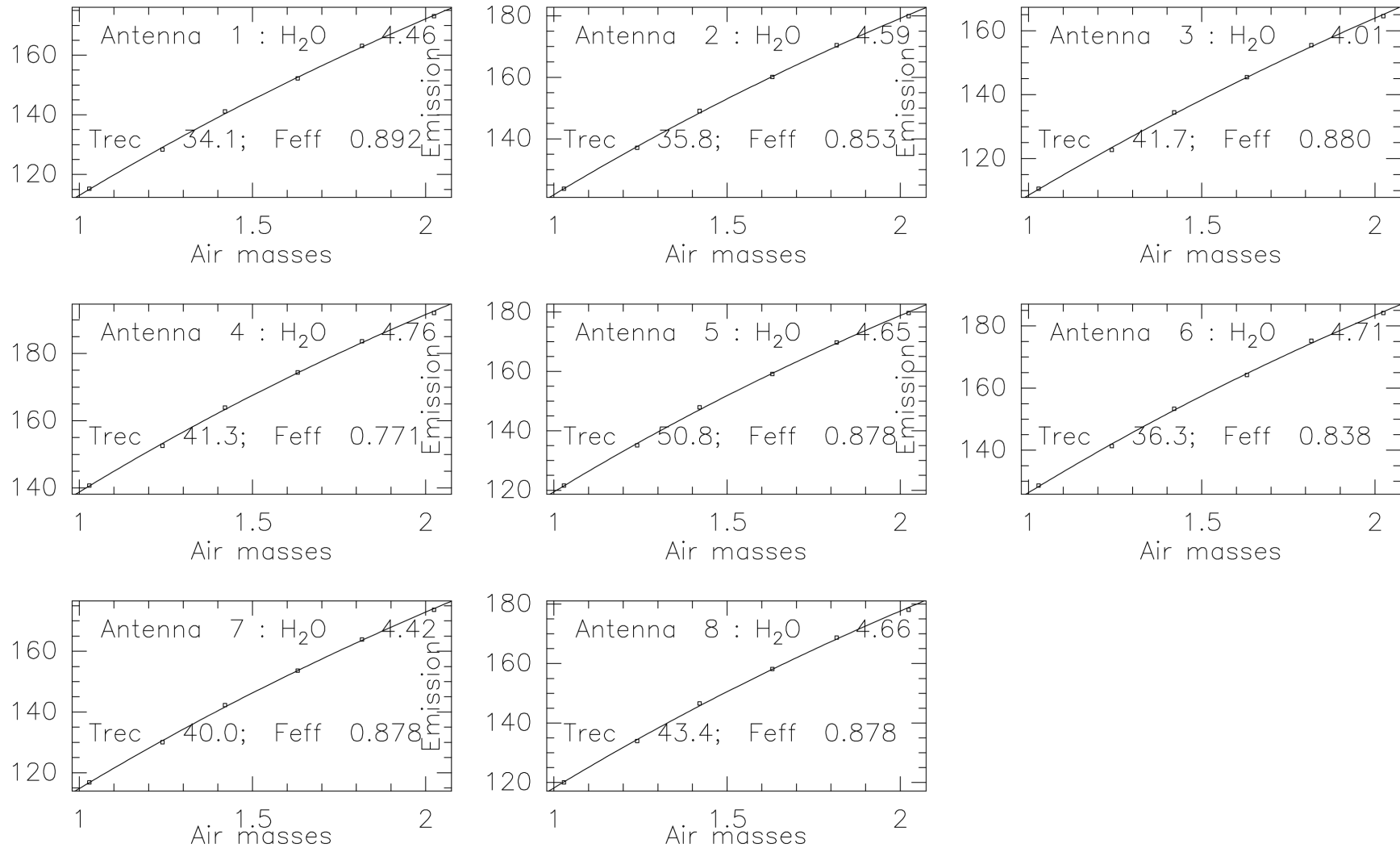
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- So we have:

$$(T_{chop} + T_{rec}) \times \frac{P_{sky}}{P_{chop}} - T_{rec} = \eta_f \times \text{Airmass} \times \tau_{zenith} + (1 - \eta_f) T_{ground}$$

# Skydips

8697; Signal 262.108; Image 272.920 Azimut -0.0



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- And compute the visibilities in each sideband:

$$\begin{aligned} A_U e^{i\varphi_U} &= (V_1 + iV_2)/2 \\ A_L e^{-i\varphi_L} &= (V_1 - iV_2)/2 \end{aligned}$$

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- Fringes will be stopped in the signal SB but rotate in image SB

$$\begin{aligned}\psi(USB) &= \psi_U - \delta\omega\tau_g + \delta\omega\tau_g \\ &= \psi_U\end{aligned}$$

$$\psi(LSB) = -\psi_L + 2\delta\omega\tau_g$$



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  - Atmosphere opacity: use of an atmospheric model

# Using an atmospheric model

- Use of an atmospheric model. NOEMA and ALMA uses different flavour of the ATM model (J. Cernicharo, J. Pardo). E.g.

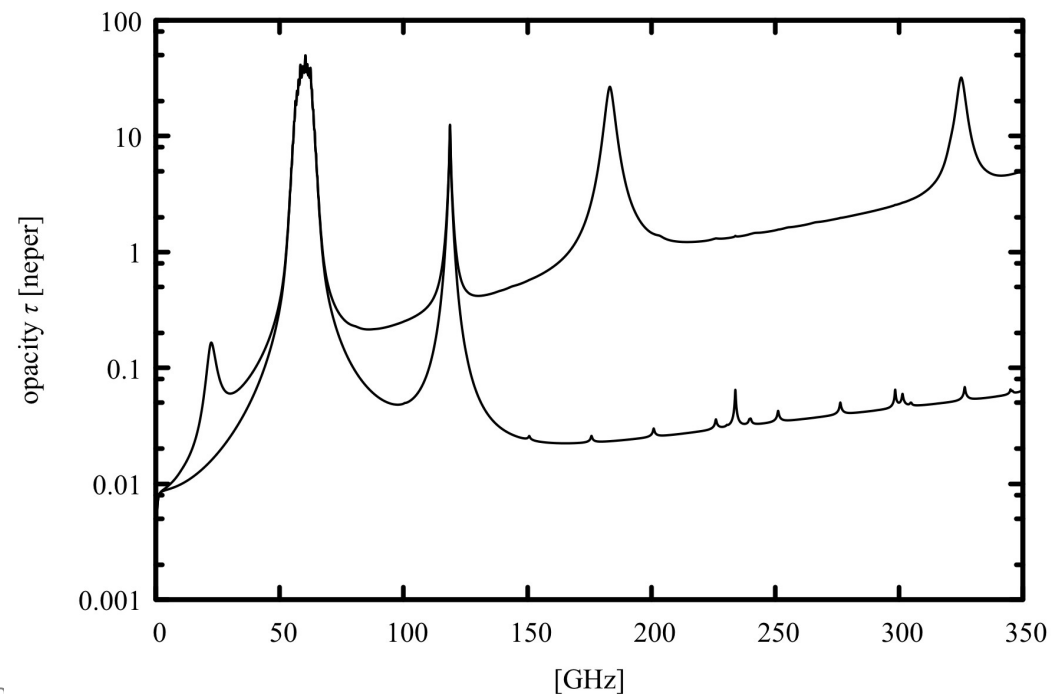
IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON ANTENNAS AND PROPAGATION, VOL. 49, NO. 12, DECEMBER 2001

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## Atmospheric Transmission at Microwaves (ATM): An Improved Model for Millimeter/Submillimeter Applications

Juan R. Pardo, José Cernicharo, and Eugene Serabyn

- SMA uses am (S. Paine).
- Allow to derive water vapor



# Atmospheric calibration

- At NOEMA, atmospheric calibration is done with one value per baseband.
- Actually two operations are performed:
  - 1. Data are scaled by  $T_{\text{sys}}$  so that they are on a  $T_a^*$  temperature scale.
  - 2. In addition crosscorrelation spectra are divided by the square-root of the product of the autocorrelation spectra to correct bandpass (amplitude only).
- Data are then stored in a file.
- This can be redone (except 2.) using CLIC\ATMOSPHERE.
- *At ALMA, only 2. is done online, and “raw” data are stored in the asdm file. Multiplication by  $T_{\text{sys}}$  is done later on.*

# Radiometers

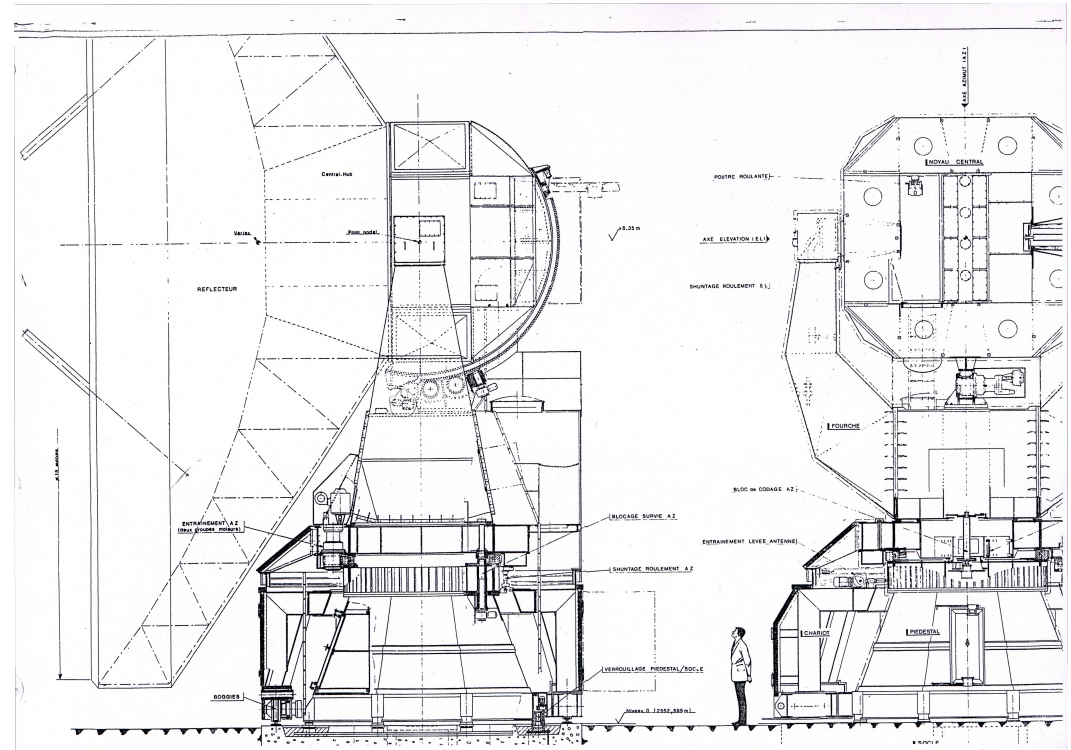
# Radiometers calibration

- We just have one usable load.
- Using skydips to compute radiometer receiver temperatures.
- Compute a calibration factor using receiver temperature and observation of the hot load (commuted during the regular astronomical atmospheric calibration).
- Compute the derivative of the optical path with respect to the radiometer brightness temperature.
- Update scaling factors used to compute a phase.
- The correlator software uses these scaling factors and the raw counts to compute a correction (including time averaging if needed).
- The average spectrum is computed with and without correction, and both are kept in the files so that a non-working correction does not harm otherwise good data. Pipeline later chooses which data to use.
- This calibration can be redone using CLIC\WVR.

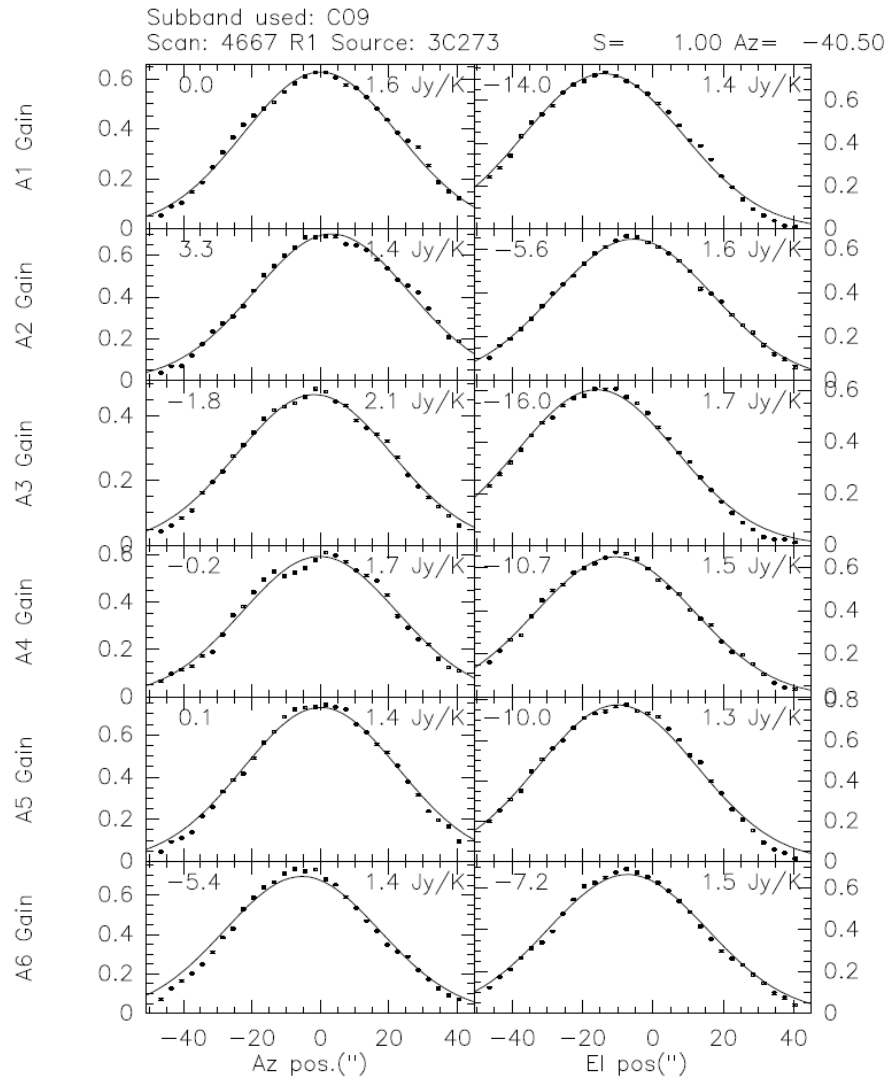
# Pointing

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- With an aperture taper, primary beam is roughly gaussian.
- 10% loss at 0.2 FWHM.
- Knowledge of the beam (including offsets) crucial for large-scale imaging (mosaics, on-the-fly imaging).
- We need to have a sufficiently good pointing. For NOEMA:
  - 0.5" tracking accuracy
  - 2" pointing accuracy
- Unlike in the optical, strong sources are scarce, so we cannot use guide stars.



# Pointing



- We slew the antenna over a point source (in azimuth and in elevation), fit a gaussian, and derive corrections which are entered in the system regularly.
- A (really) bad pointing leads to unrecoverable loss of signal-to-noise and tricky to impossible corrections to the amplitude.
- Possible to fit total power (not requiring to have fringes) or amplitude.
- Other pattern are possible (e.g. *ALMA using 5 points pointing*).



# NOEMA pointing model

IAZ azimuth encoder zero  
 $dX = IAZ \cdot \cos(EI)$   $dY = 0$

IEL elevation encoder zero  
 $dX = 0$   $dY = IEL$

COH telescope azimuth collimation  
 $dX = \cos(EI) \cdot \text{asin}(COH / \cos(EI))$   $dY = -\text{asin}(\sin(EI) / \sqrt{1 - COH^2})$   
for  $COH \ll \cos(EI)$ , equivalent to  
 $dX = COH$   $dY = 0$ ,

COV telescope vertical collimation  
 $dX = 0$   $dY = COV$

MVE Azimuth axis tilt towards East  
 $dX = MVE \cdot \cos(Az) \cdot \sin(EI)$   $dY = -MVE \cdot \sin(Az)$

MVN Azimuth axis tilt towards North  
 $dX = -MVN \cdot \sin(Az) \cdot \sin(EI)$   $dY = -MVN \cdot \cos(Az)$

NPE Elevation axis tilt (axis non perpendicularity)  
 $dX = -NPE \cdot \sin(EI)$   $dY = 0$   
(assuming small NPE and COH in practice.)

REF0 First order refraction coefficient  
 $dX = 0$   $dY = -REF0 / \tan(EI)$

REF1 Second order refraction coefficient  
 $dX = 0$   $dY = -REF1 / \tan(EI)^3$

ELES gravity+eccentricity of Elevation encoder  
 $dX = 0$   $dY = ELES \cdot \sin(EI)$

ELEC gravity+eccentricity of Elevation encoder  
 $dX = 0$   $dY = ELEC \cdot \cos(EI)$

AZES eccentricity of Azimuth encoder  
 $dX = AZES \cdot \sin(Az) \cdot \cos(EI)$   $dY = 0$

AZEC eccentricity of Azimuth encoder  
 $dX = AZEC \cdot \cos(Az) \cdot \cos(EI)$   $dY = 0$

HEL Homology elevation bending ( $\cos(EI)$ )  
 $dX = 0$   $dY = -HEL \cdot \cos(EI)$

# Derive pointing model parameters

- Corrections:

$$dX = IAZ.\cos(EI) + COH + \sin(EI) * (MVE*\cos(Az)-MVN*\sin(Az)-NPE) \\ + \cos(EI) * (AZES*\sin(Az)+AZEC*\cos(Az))$$

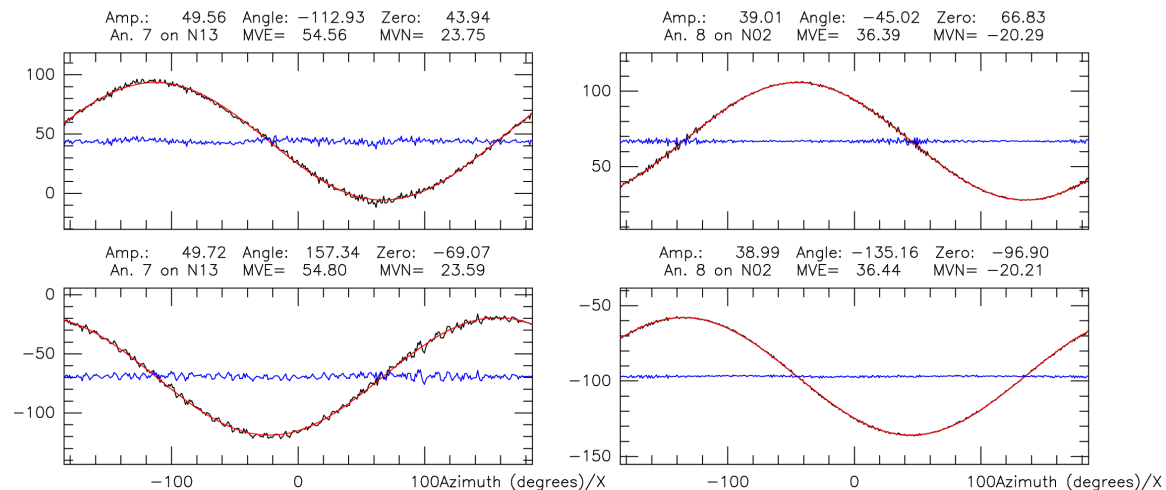
$$dY = IEL+COV - (MVE*\sin(Az)+MVN*\cos(Az)) \\ + (ELES*\sin(EI)+(ELEC-HEL)*\cos(EI)) \\ - REF0/\tan(EI) - REF1/\tan(EI)**3 - REF2/\tan(EI)**5$$

- Parameters playing the larger role:

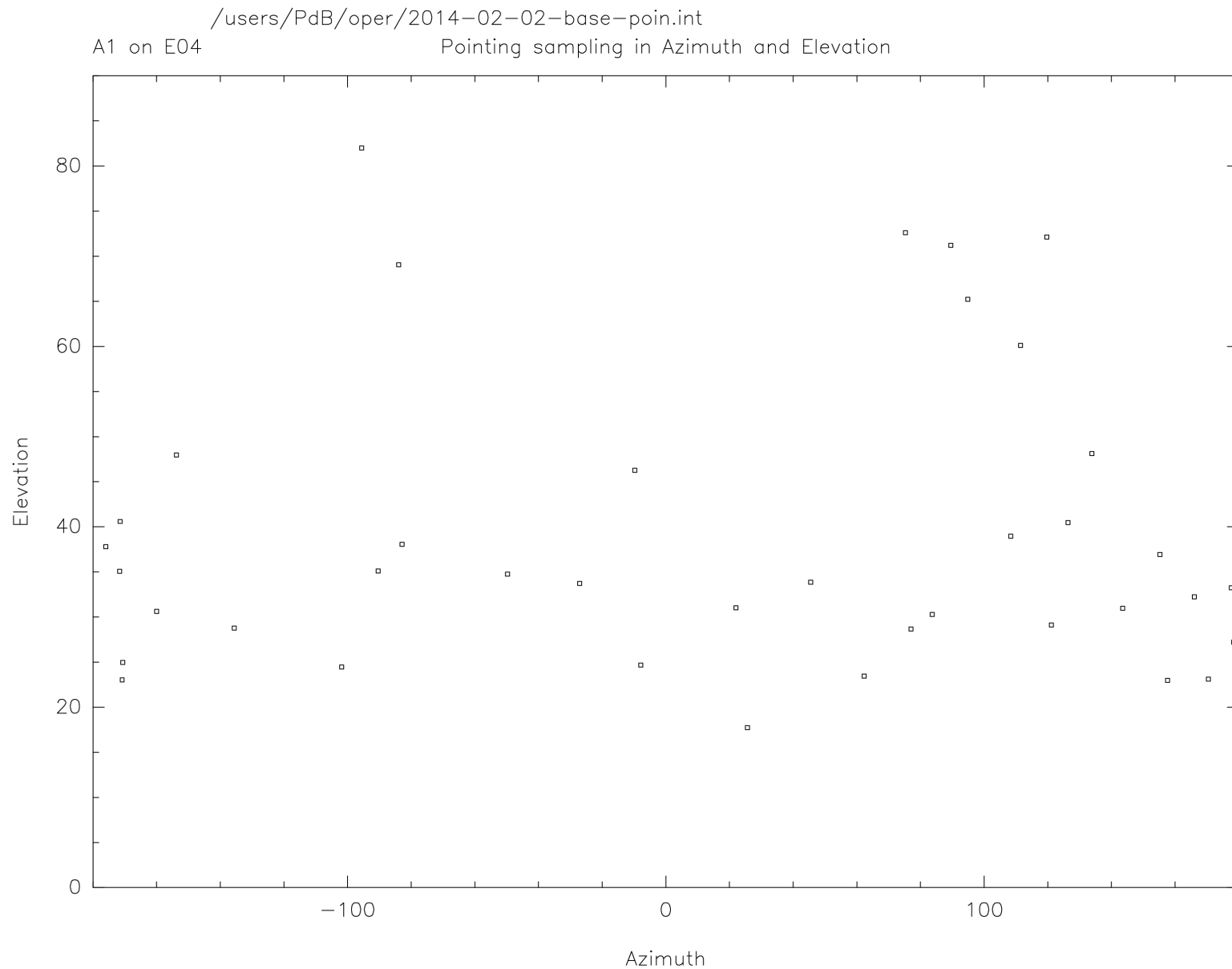
- IAZ, IEL+COV, COH, MVE, MVN, HEL
- Depending on antenna or antenna+station
- We use inclinometers to monitor the antenna tilt.
- Corrected for the local gravity vector (attraction of the Alps).

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# Do pointing all-over the sky

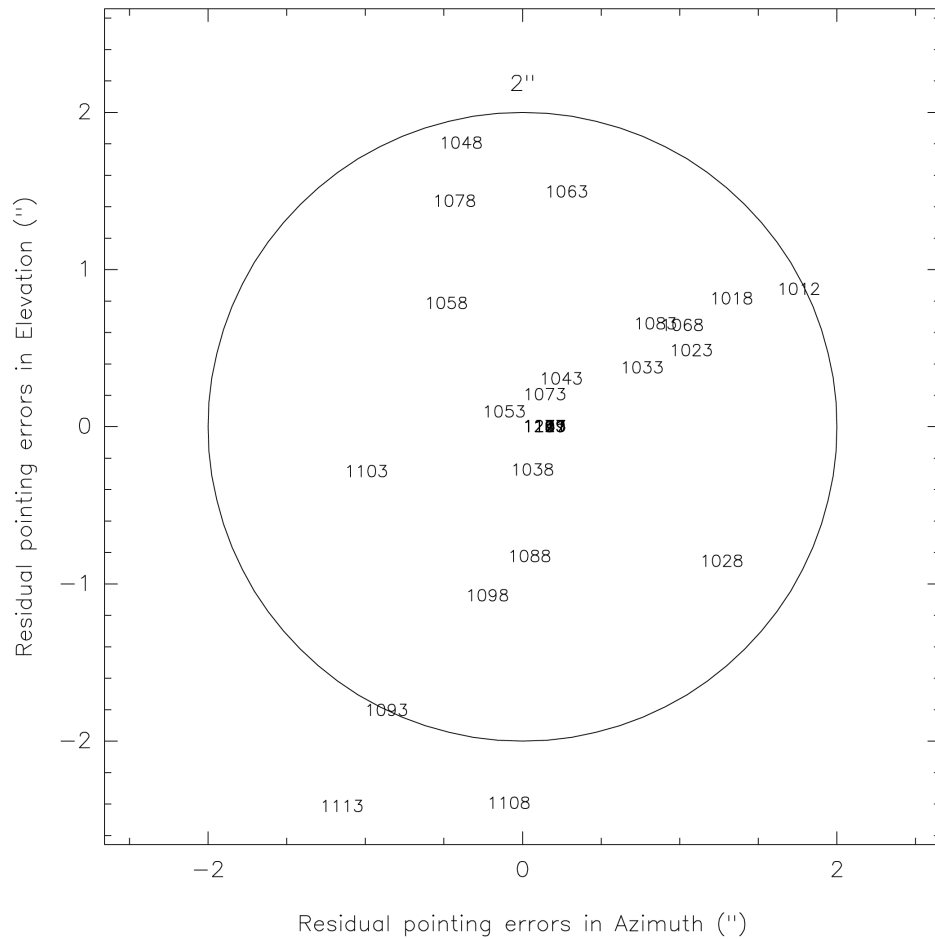


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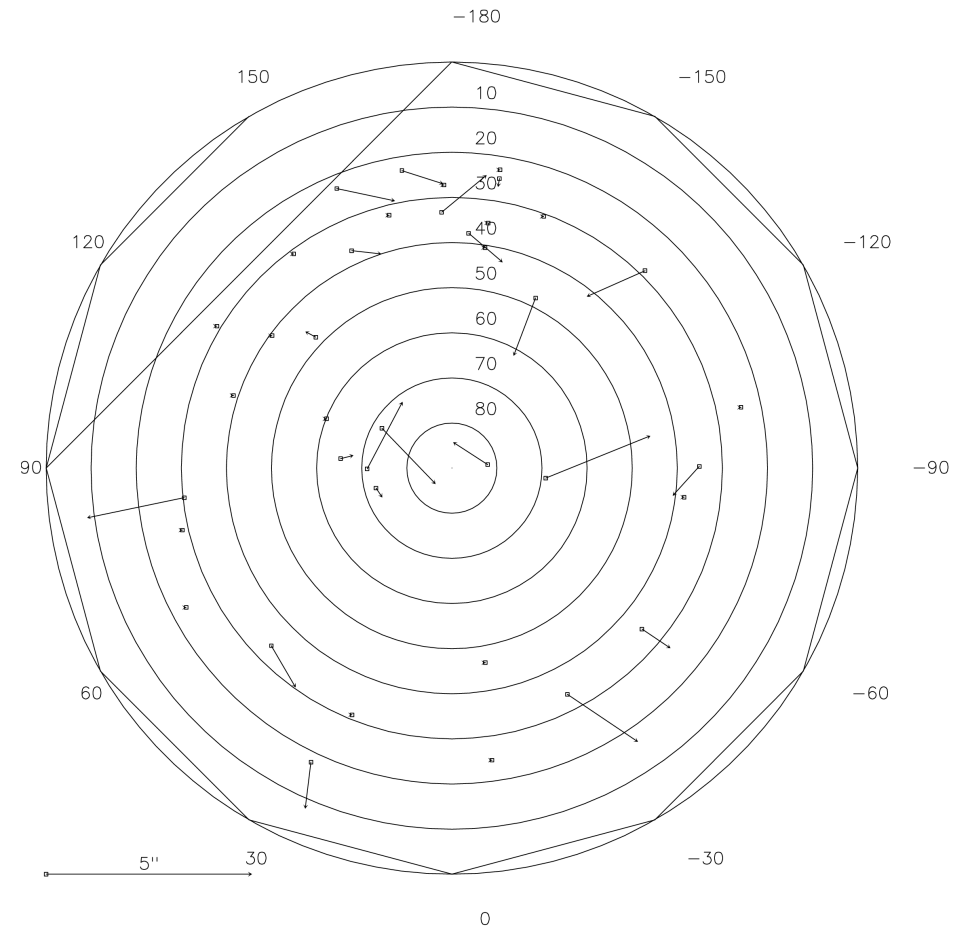
A1 on E04

Residual pointing errors



A1 on E04

Residual pointing errors in function of Azimuth and Elevation



# Focus

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- An error in the positioning of the subreflector causes an unrecoverable loss of signal-to-noise and/or pointing errors and/or primary beam deformations (e.g. Coma with asymmetric sidelobes).
- Homological design need to have a focus model as well: variation of focus position as a function of elevation (X, Z directions).
- Thermal variation of focus (sunset, sunrise)
- NOEMA make focus measurement (Z only) every hour or so.
- *ALMA makes XYZ focus and tabulates focus value as a function of elevation and temperature and applies it.*

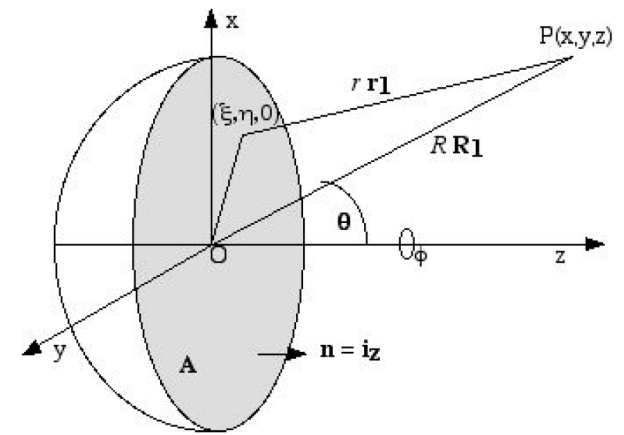


Fig. 1. Geometry of the aperture integration method for finite distance to the field point P.

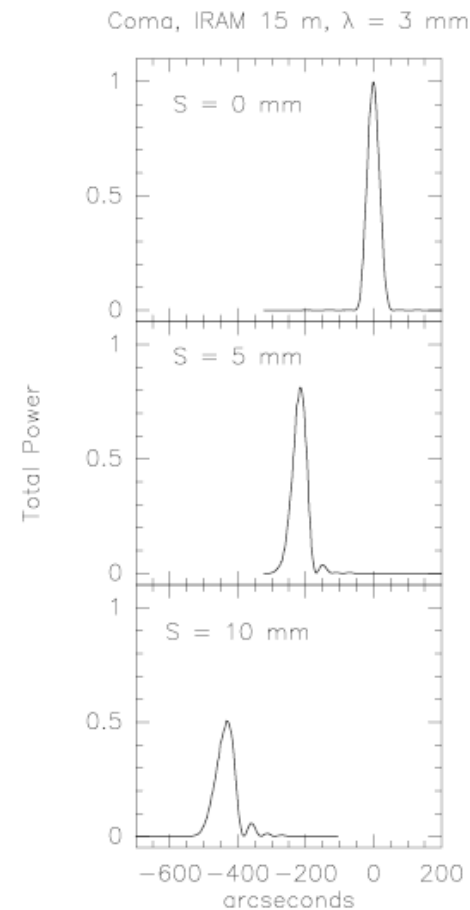


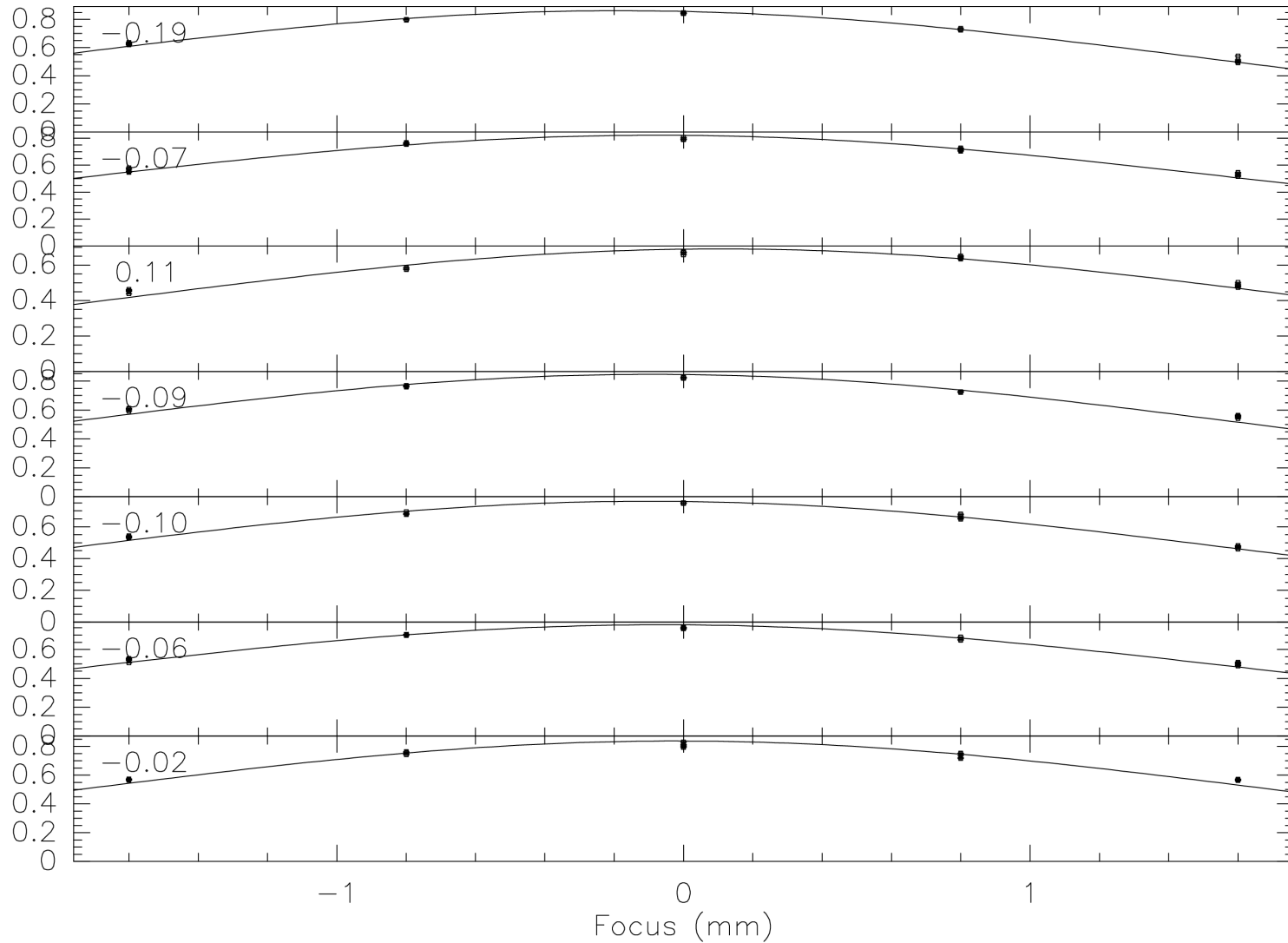
Figure 1.8: Illustration of a comatic beam (scanned in the direction of the coma) especially produced on the IRAM 15-m telescope. The shift of the subreflector is indicated by S. The beam pattern is perfect at  $S = 0$ . Note the shift of the beam (pointing error) when the subreflector is shifted.

# NOEMA focus measurement

Subband used: C09

Scan: 8069 R1 Source: 3C454.3 S= 1.00 Az= -27.37 El= 59.20

A8 Gain A6 Gain A5 Gain A4 Gain A3 Gain A2 Gain A1 Gain

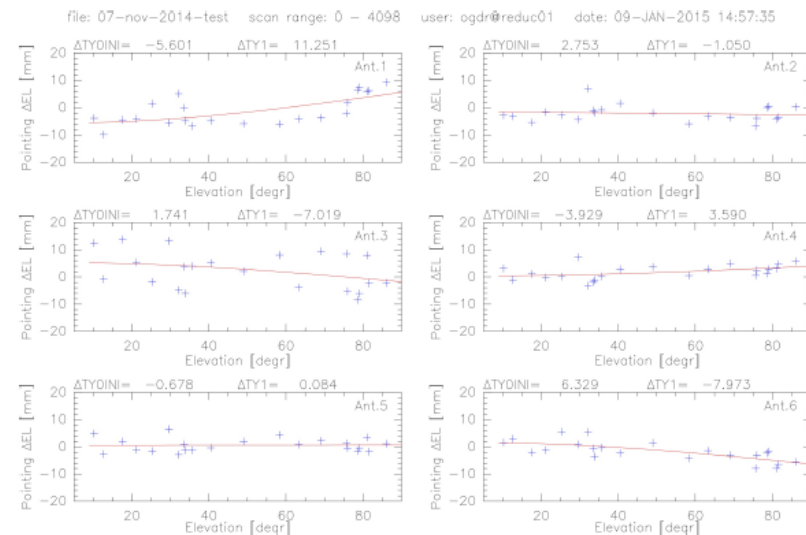
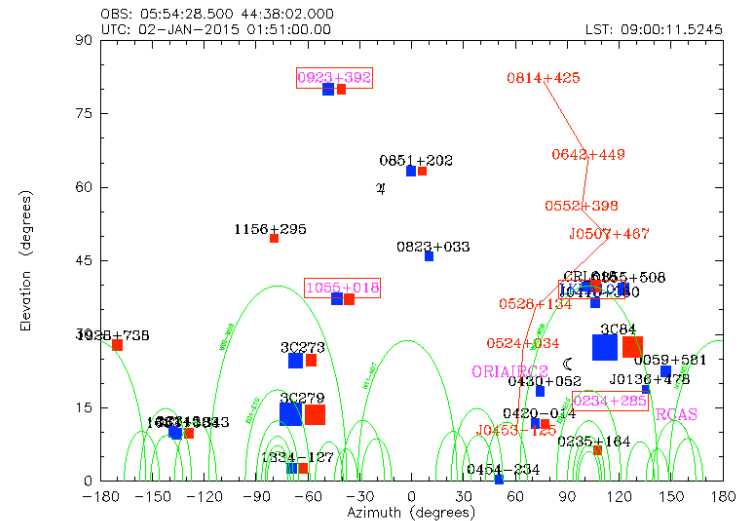


# Focus model

- Dependence on elevation only: observe a “strip” at a given azimuth.
- We do not (yet) directly measure X and Y focus.
- But a lateral defocus give a pointing error:

defocus component	symbol	pointing error
translation primary	$y_p$	$-K_p(y_p / f)$
rotation primary	$\epsilon$	$(1 + K_p)\epsilon$
translation secondary	$y_s$	$(y_s / f)(K_p - K_s / M)$
rotation secondary (vertex)	$\alpha$	$-\alpha(2c/f)(K_p + K_s)/(M + 1)$
rotation secondary (focus)	$\alpha$	$-\alpha(2c/f)(K_s / M)$
translation feed (in sec. focus)	$y_f$	$(y_f / f)(K_s / M)$

- Knowing the beam deviation factor (BDF)  $K_p$ , we can derive the lateral shift we are interested in.





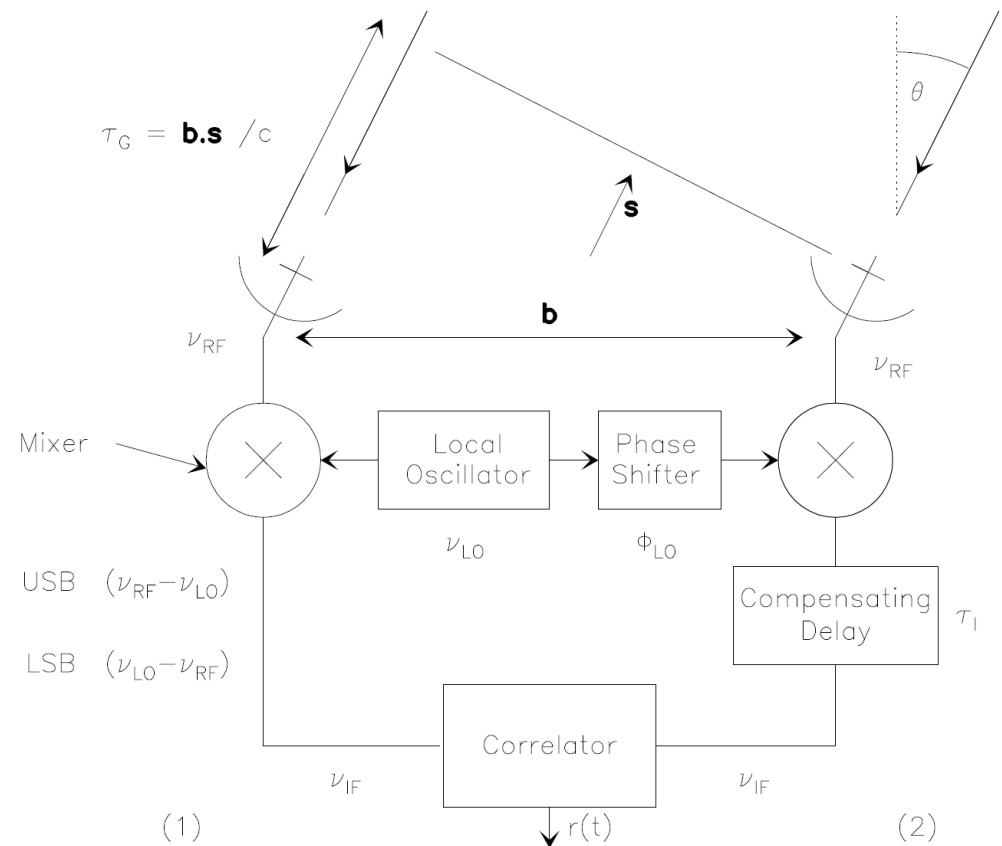
# Delay

# Delay calibration

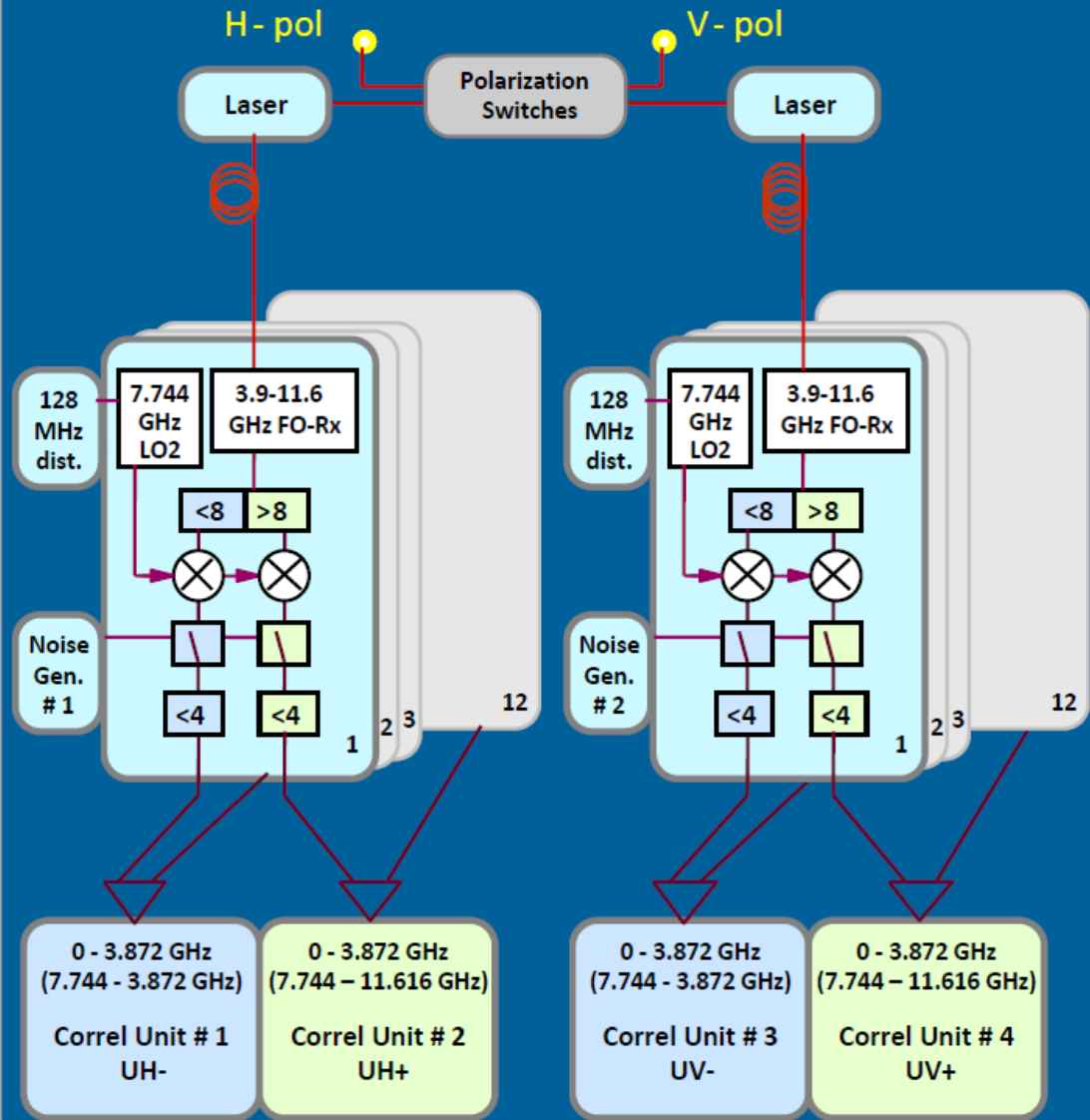
- An uncorrected (constant) delay introduce a phase slope as a function of frequency:

$$\Phi(\nu_{IF}) = \pm 2\pi\nu_{IF}\Delta\tau$$

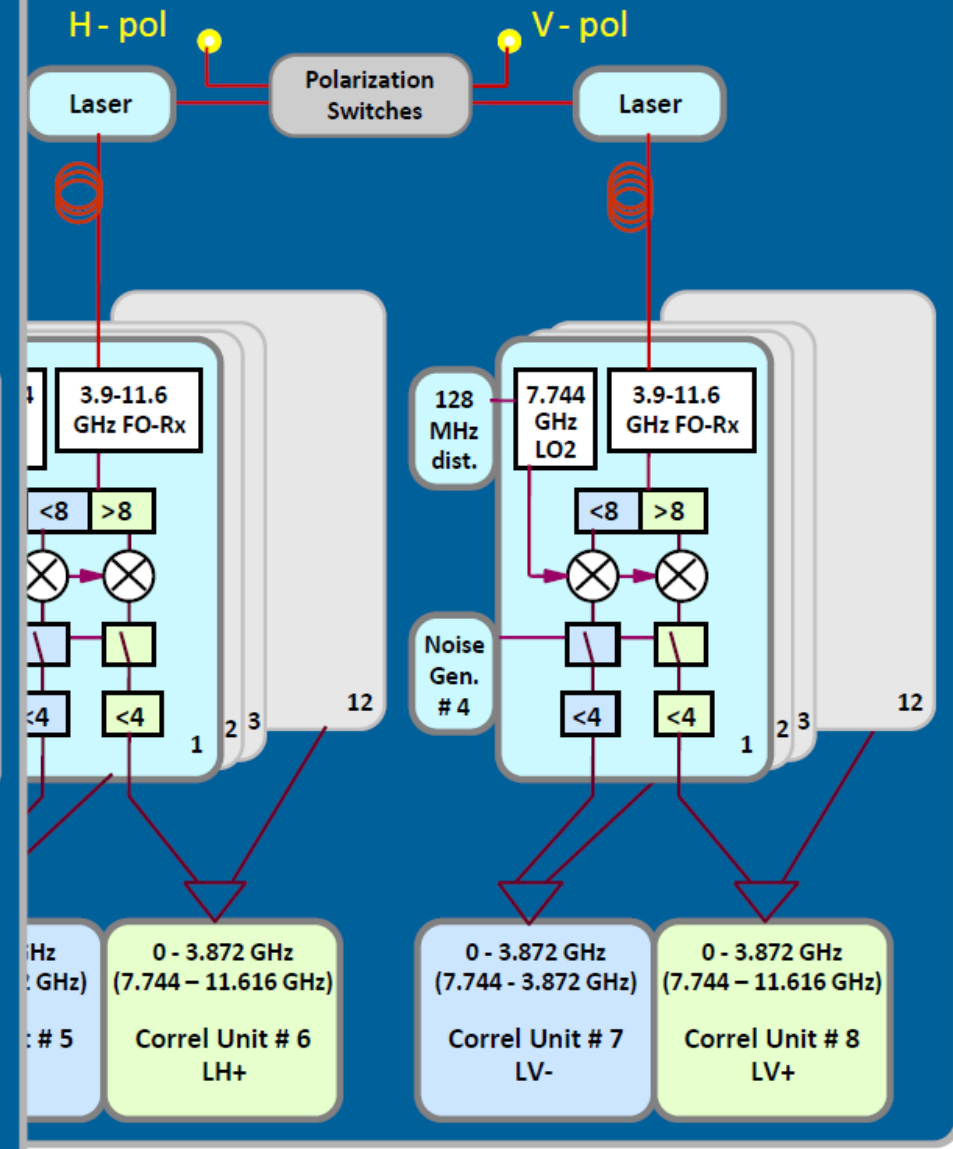
- Geometrical delay can be computed with accurate baselines, positions and timing.
- However, despite good engineering, small instrumental delays, depending on the instrumental setup remain.
- Part is done online, using a noise source, allowing to coherently add all the spectral windows connected to it.



### Backend Block I : receiver USB

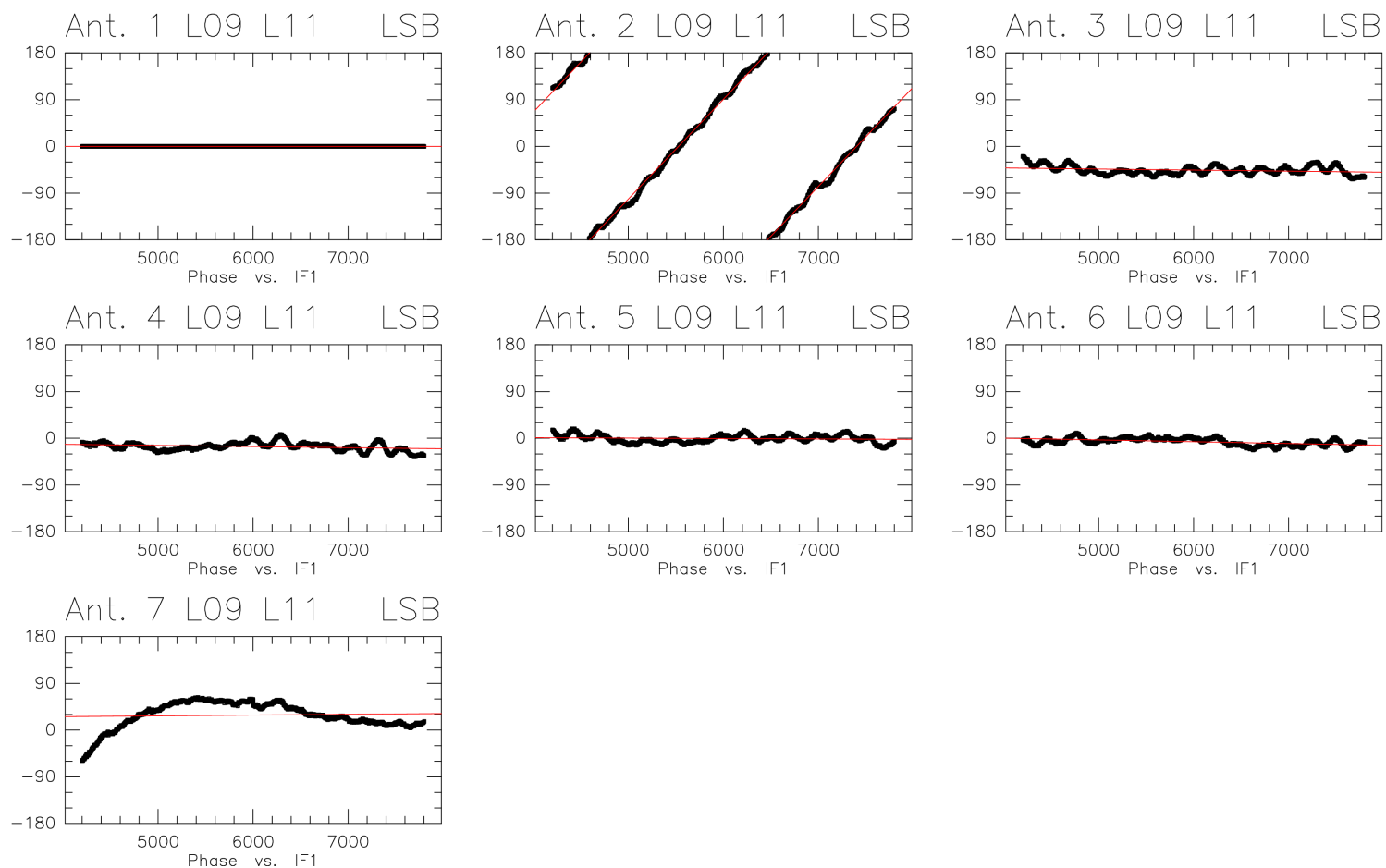


### Backend Block II : receiver LSB

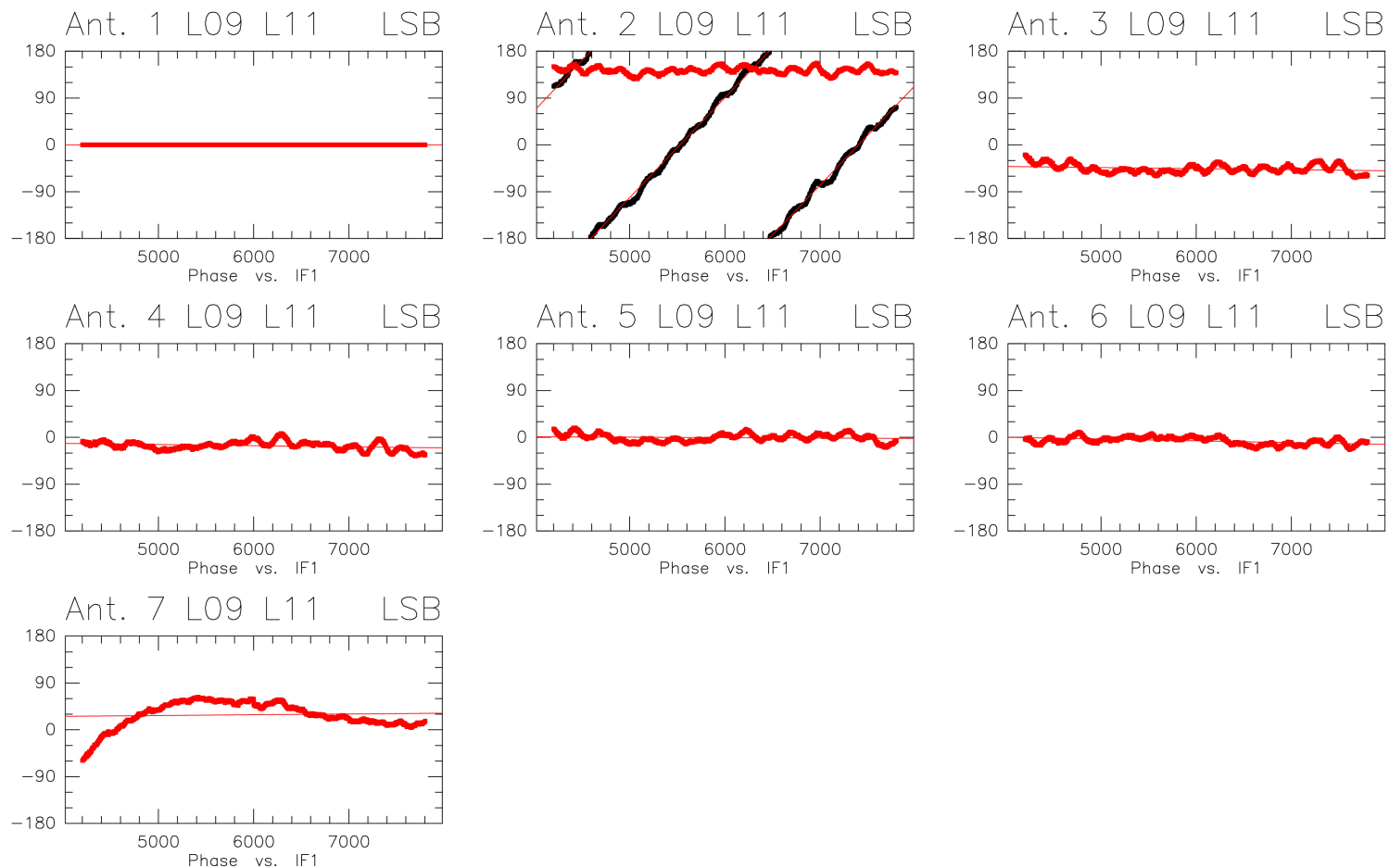


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# Delay measurement

- Measured delay are added to the known instrumental delay (length of fiber optics) and to the geometrical delay and corrected for in the correlator/correlator software.
- Correlator has a given time resolution (inverse of the sampling frequency), allowing only to correct delays down to that resolution. Fine delays are corrected in software.
- Having corrected delays allows averaging of spectra needed to get the continuum sensitivity required for calibration.
- Can however be corrected offline using

## CLIC\MODIFY DELAY

- *At ALMA, this is done automatically on phase calibrator (INTENT=CALIBRATE\_DELAY). Use of a much more complex delay server (have to take into account propagation time to the antenna, dry component due to possible altitude difference between stations, etc.)*

# Baseline

# Measuring phases

- Measured phase are:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \phi_{ij}^g &= \phi_{ij}^s + \phi_{ij}^a = 2\pi w = \\
 &= \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \underbrace{(X_{ij}, Y_{ij}, Z_{ij})}_b \cdot \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \cos H \cos \delta \\ -\sin H \cos \delta \\ \sin \delta \end{pmatrix}}_s + \phi_{ij}^a \\
 \rightarrow \Delta\phi_{ijk}^g &= \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (\Delta b_{ij} \cdot s_k + \underbrace{b_{ij} \cdot \Delta s_k}_{\simeq 0}) + \Delta\phi_{ijk}^a
 \end{aligned}$$

- Observing sources distributed in hour-angle and declination, with a stable atmospheric phase allow to derive positions (wrt an reference position).
- We need of course to know accurately the position of the observed sources.
- At ALMA, possibility to fit differential delays between sources.*

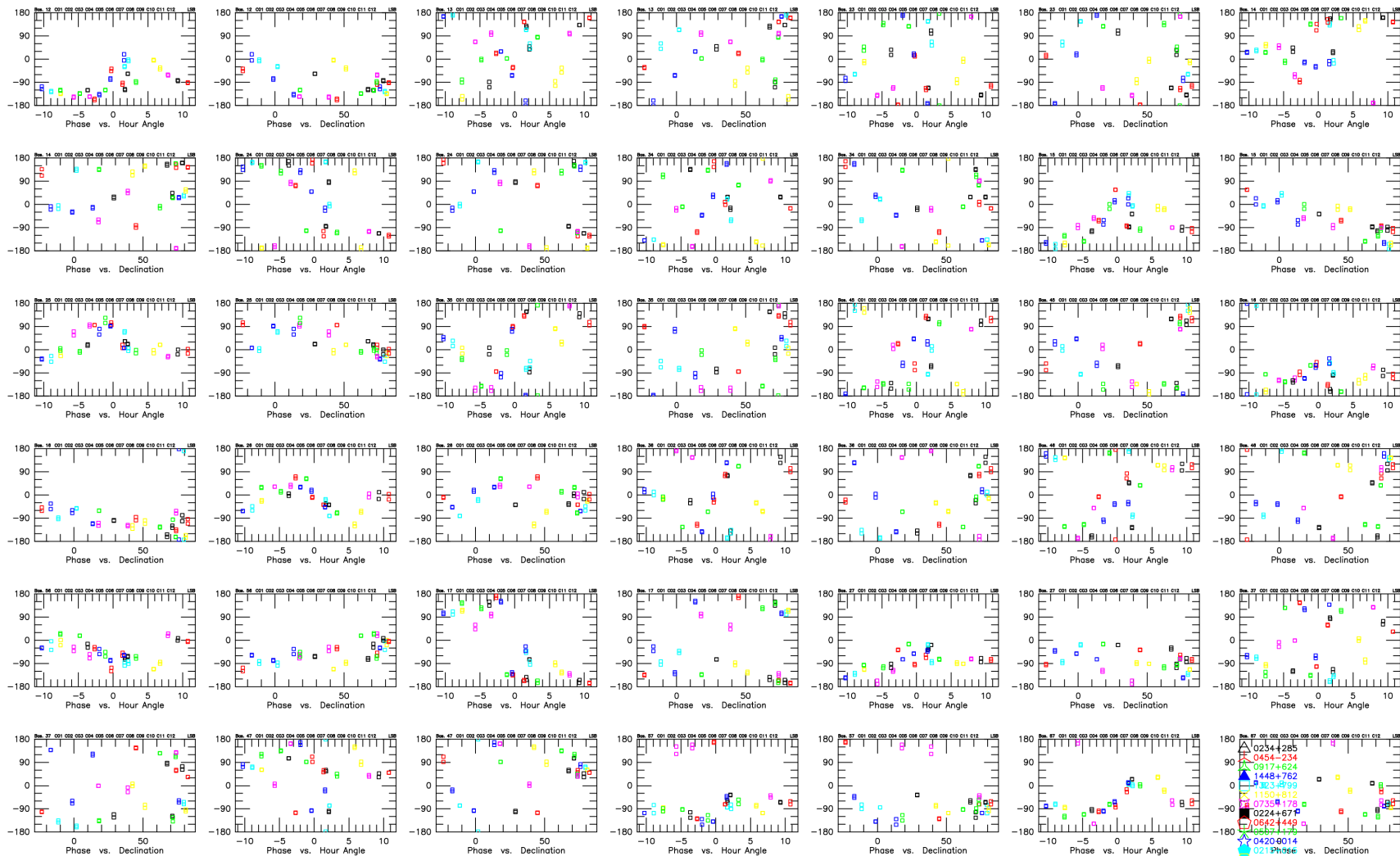


# Measuring baselines

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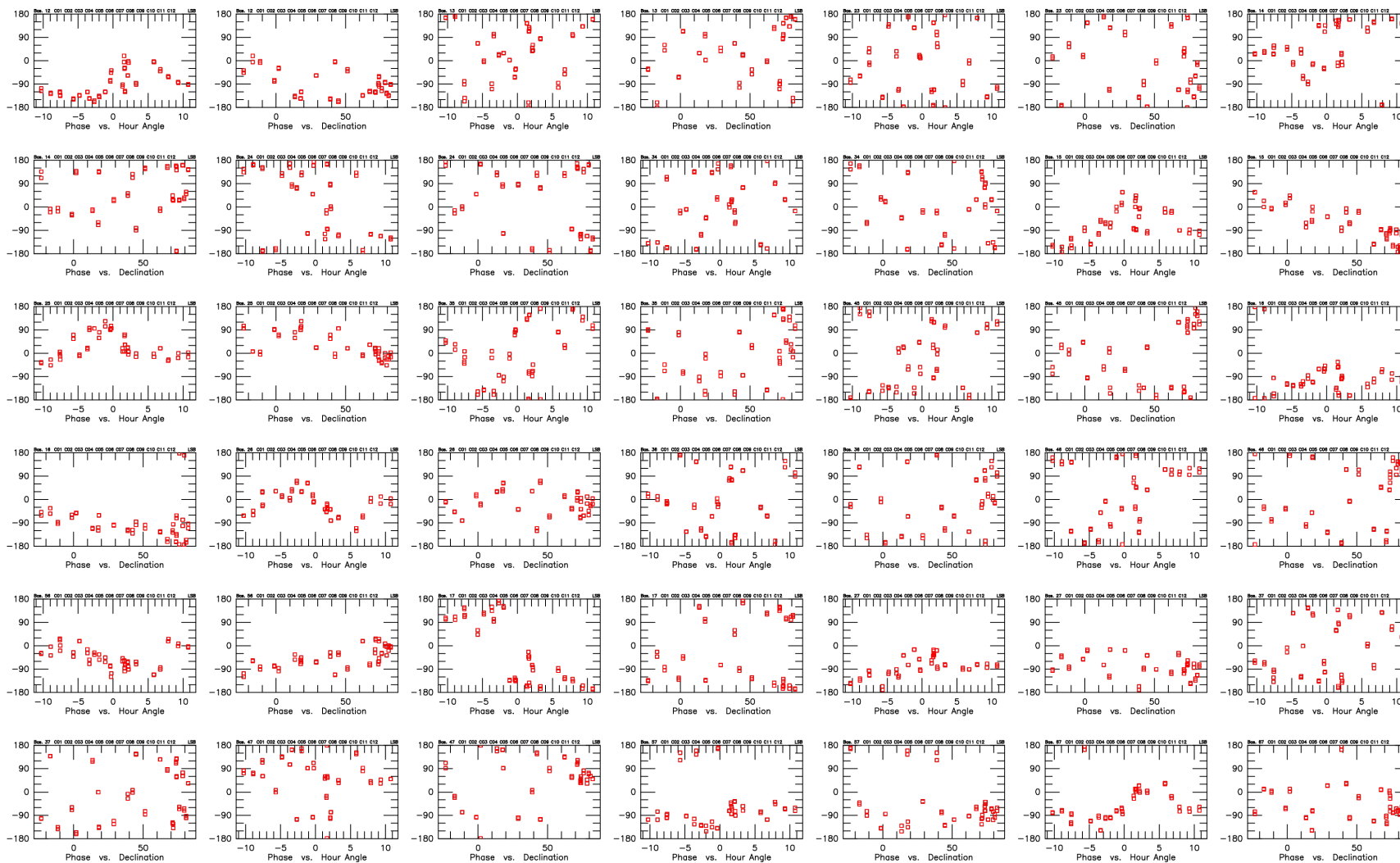


# Raw phases

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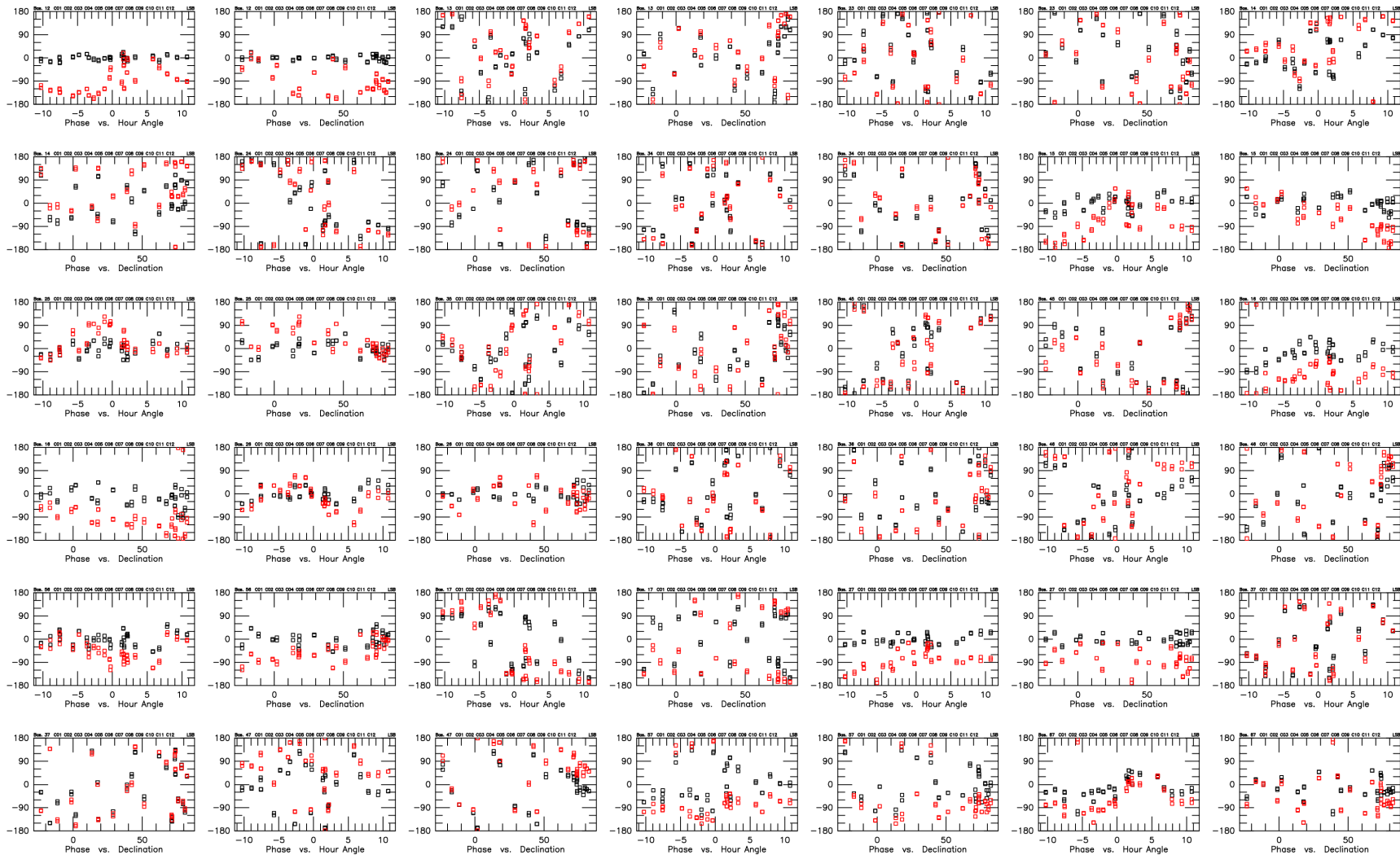


# After baseline fit

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# Baseline measurements

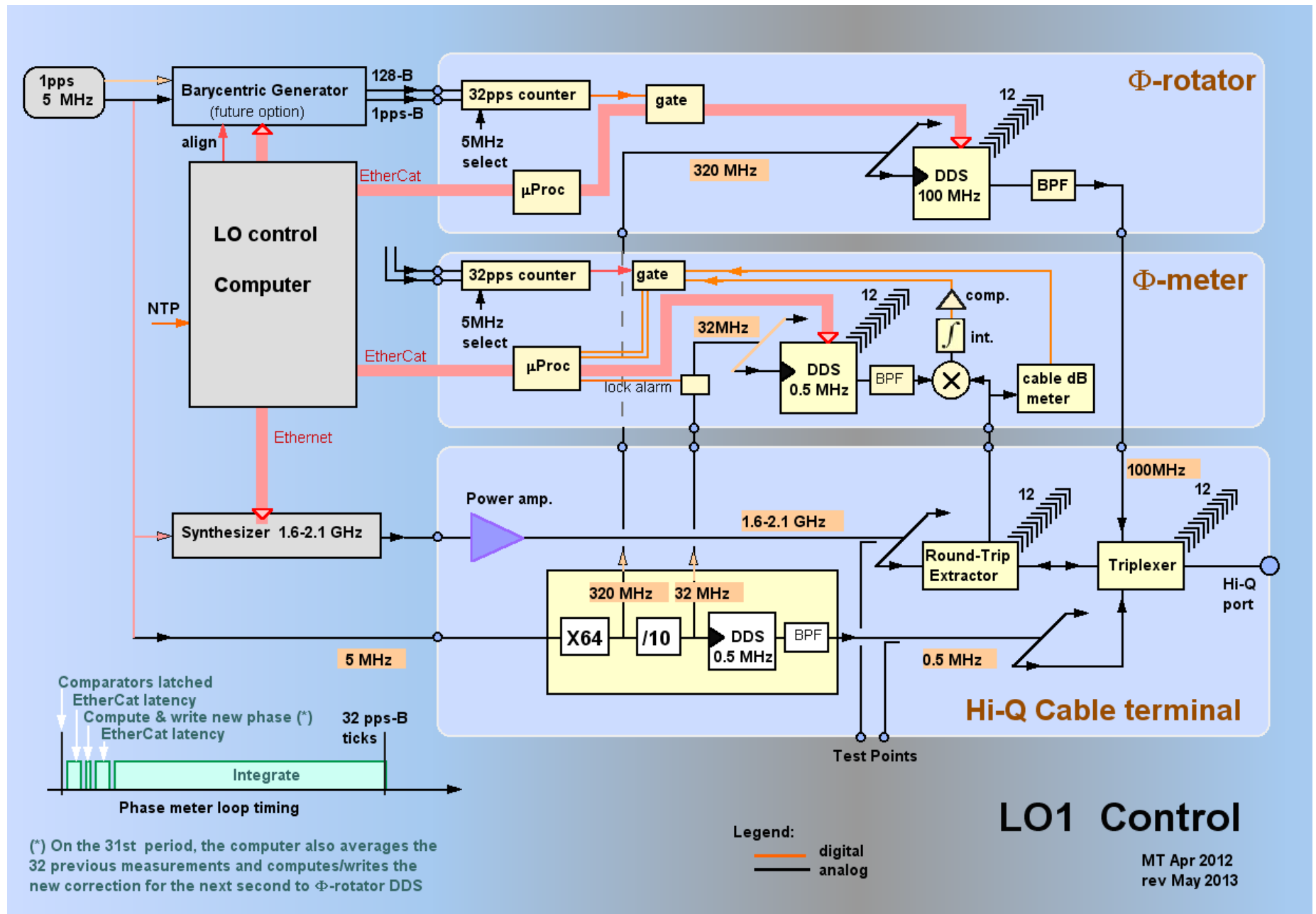
- Usually done after configuration change.
- Needs
  - accurate source positions.
  - Excellent weather conditions.
- Can be redone offline using:  
CLIC\MODIFY ANTENNA  
or  
CLIC\MODIFY BASELINE
- Position can also be updated offline with:  
CLIC\MODIFY POSITION  
(e.g. To correct for the position of a phase calibrator).

# Cable phase

# Need to control cable phase

- At NOEMA, reference signals are transported through an HiQ cable. LO1 reference frequency is transported in the 1.6-2.1 GHz range. This frequency is hence multiplied by a factor 50-150, depending on the frequency band.
- For 1km cable, with a linear expansion coefficient of  $1e-5$ , a 1K gradient lengthens the cable by 10mm, or 10 turns at 1mm !
- We monitor the length of the cable by sending forth the reference frequency plus 500 kHz, and back the reference frequency, the difference of these being compared to a reference 500 kHz oscillator.
- Data are corrected in real-time in the correlator software for this “cable phase”.
- *At ALMA, reference is from photonics LO, and cable phase is corrected physically in the LLC (line-length corrector) by mechanically stretching a fiber optic.*

# LO1 control



# Holography



# Holography

- Far-field approximation (Fraunhofer region):

$$f(u, v) = \frac{i}{\lambda} \frac{e^{-ikR}}{R} \int F(\xi, \eta) \exp\{-ik(\xi u + \eta v)\} d\xi d\eta$$

$$F(\xi, \eta) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{e^{ikR}}{R} \int f(u, v) \exp\{ik(u\xi + v\eta)\} dudv$$

- Near-field approximation (Fresnel region):

$$f(u, v) = \frac{i}{\lambda} \frac{e^{ikR}}{R} \int F(\xi, \eta) \exp\left\{ik\left[-(u\xi + v\eta) + \frac{\xi^2 + \eta^2}{2R}\right]\right\} d\xi d\eta$$

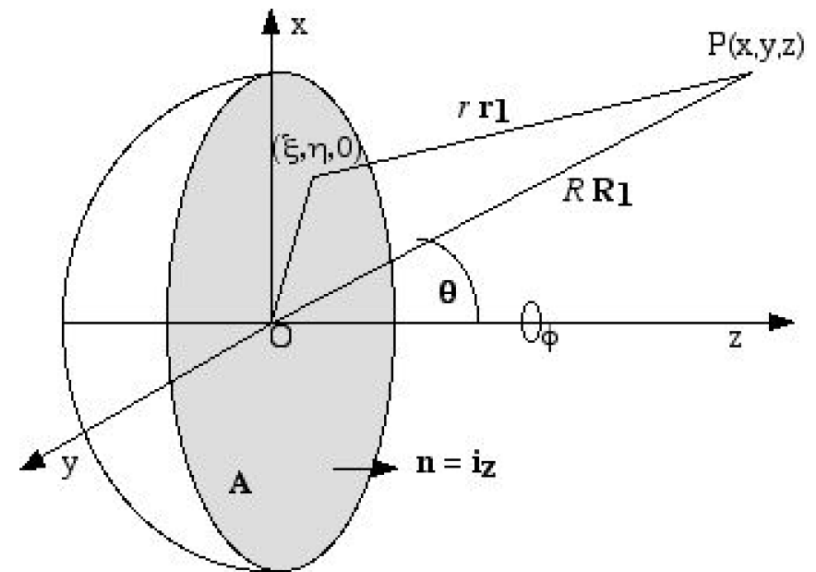


Fig. 1. Geometry of the aperture integration method for finite distance to the field point P.

*Baars et al. 2007*

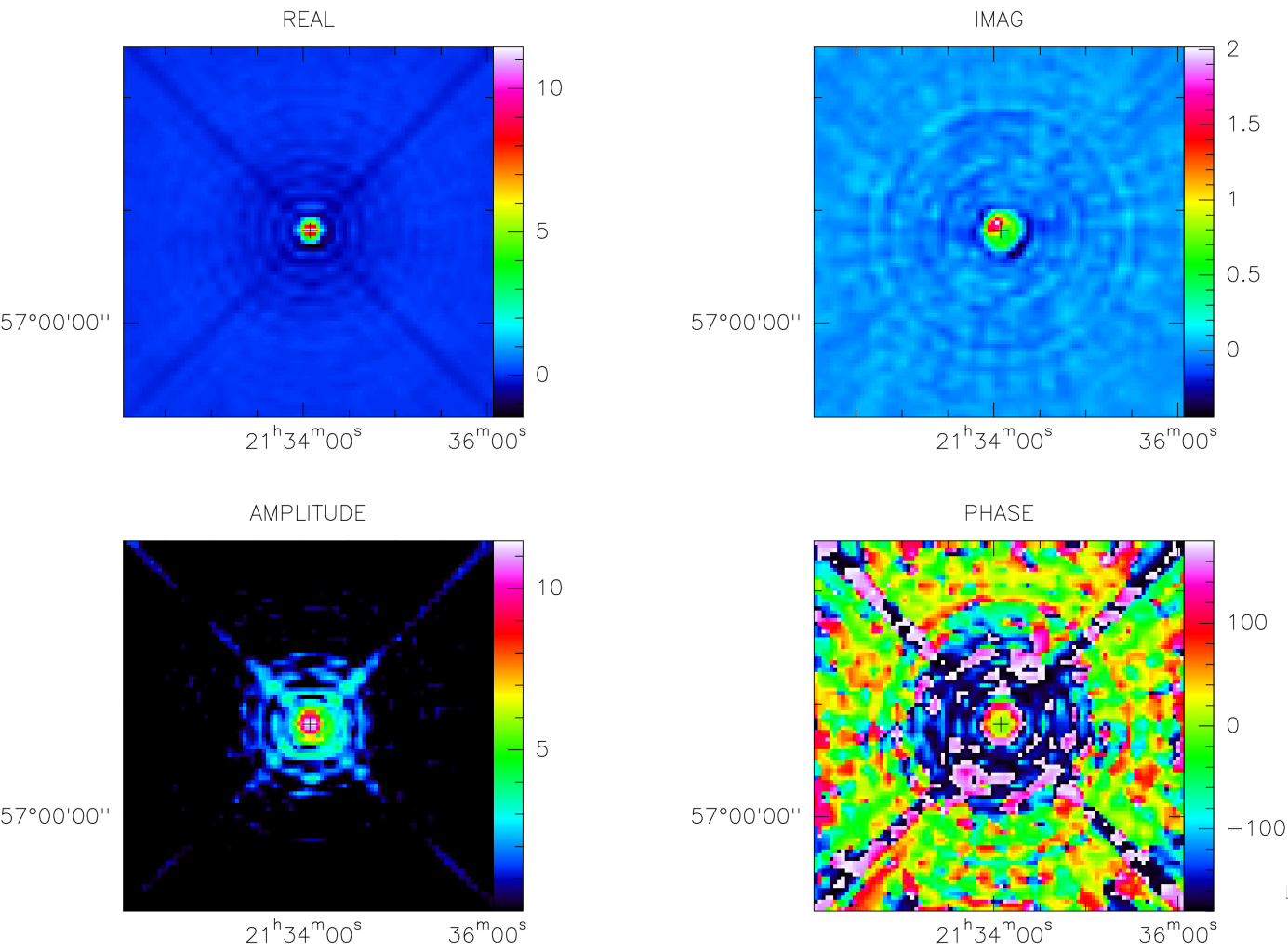
- A Fourier transform relationship between the far-field pattern and the complex aperture field distribution (and almost in the near-field case).

- Far field:

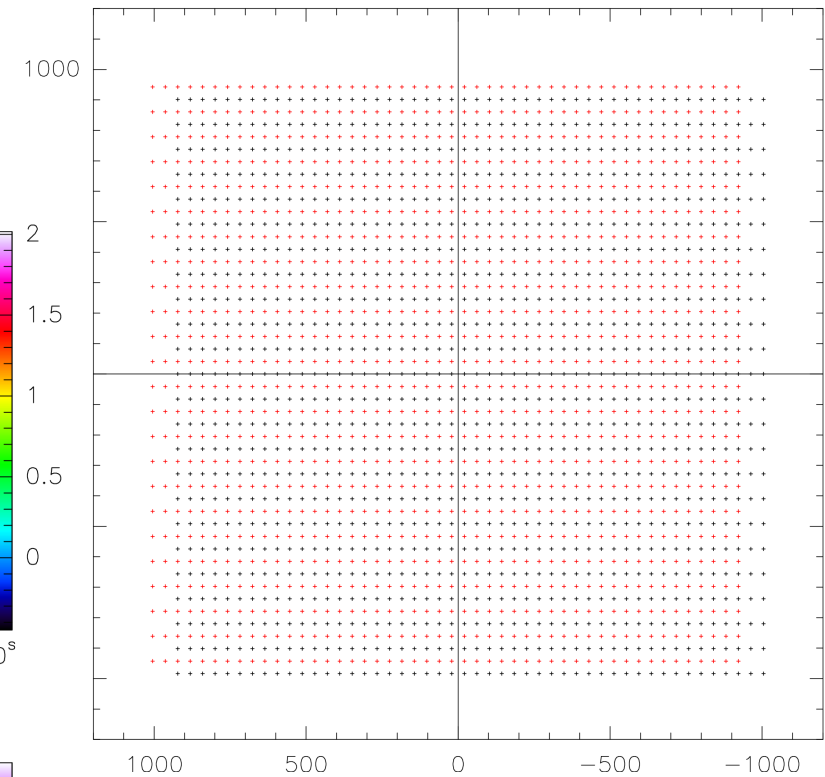
$$D_{ff} > 2d^2/\lambda$$

# Holography

- We scan a source with one antenna while keeping a reference antenna pointing at the source.
- We grid the data, we (Fast)-Fourier transform back them.



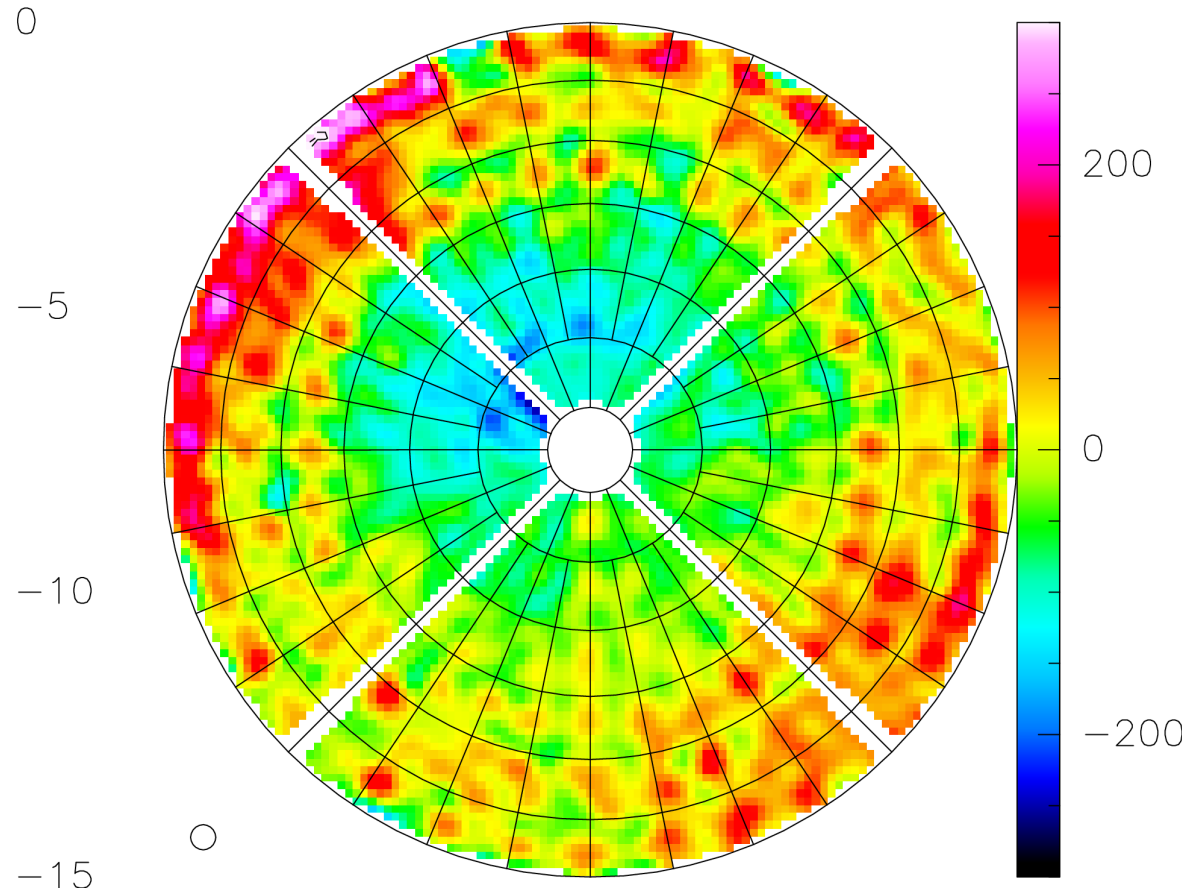
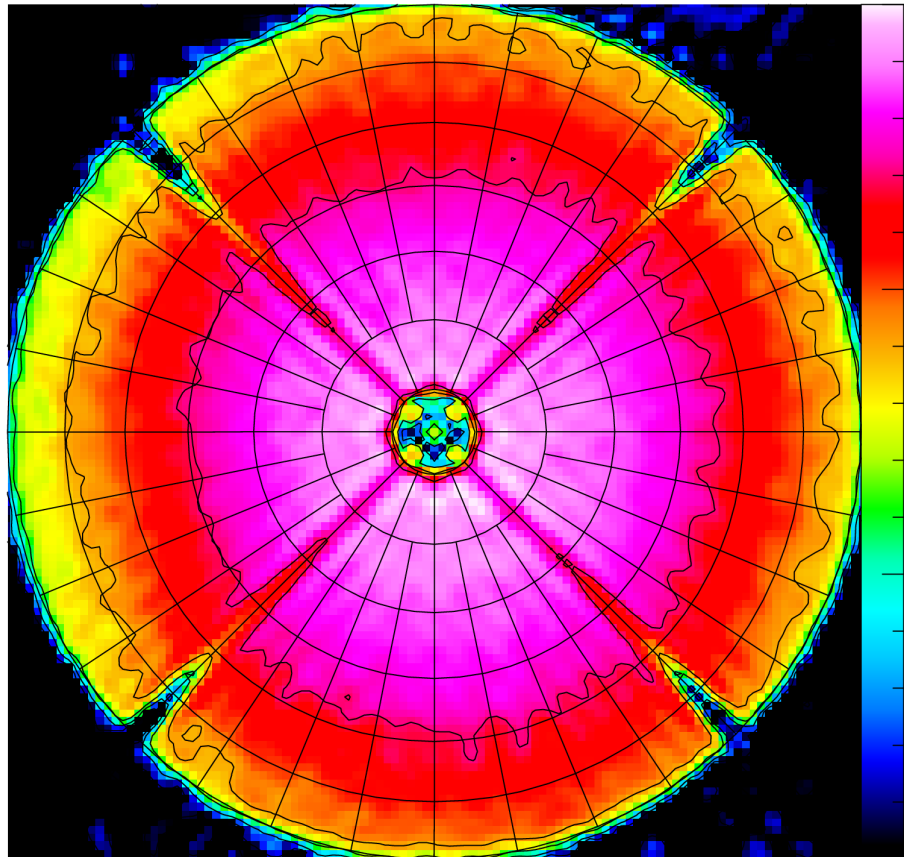
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rms Pha. Edge taper = 14.76x 12.15 dB - offset X= 0.32 Y= -0.26 m  
13 3.07 Focus offsets (X,Y,Z) = 0.00 0.00 0.00 mm; Astigmatism = 0.0  $\mu\text{m}$  ( 180.0deg.)  
23 7.59 Phase rms (unweighted)= 0.238 (weighted)= 0.239 radians  
34 7.23 Surface rms (unweighted)= 74.78 - (weighted)= 69.91  $\mu\text{m}$   
35 7.42  $\eta_A$ ( 86.243 GHz) = 0.739;  $\eta_A$ (230.0 GHz) = 0.537;  $\eta_A$ (345.0 GHz) = 0.340  
36 7.00 S/T( 86.243 GHz)= 21.141 Jy/K; S/T(230GHz)= 29.064 Jy/K; S/T(345 GHz)= 45.909 Jy/K  
37 5.25  $\eta_I$ = 0.779  $-\eta_S$ = 0.780  $-\eta_P$ ( 86.243 GHz)= 0.949  $-\eta_P$ (230 GHz)= 0.690  $-\eta_P$ (345 GHz)= 0.437  
Rms/ring: 42.8 41.5 39.4 46.4 44.9 70.4  
Amplitude (back view) Normal errors (back view)  
-15.000 to 0.000 by 3.000 -300.000 to 300.000 by 300.000



# Effect of defocusing

- An axial defocus induces the following path-length error:

$$\delta p_z = \delta z \left\{ 1 - \frac{1 - \frac{\xi^2 + \eta^2}{4f^2} + \frac{\delta f}{f}}{\sqrt{\frac{\xi^2 + \eta^2}{4f^2} + \left(1 - \frac{\xi^2 + \eta^2}{4f^2} + \frac{\delta f}{f}\right)^2}} \right\}$$

- An transverse offset will produce:

$$\delta p_x = \delta x \frac{\xi}{f} \left\{ \frac{1}{1 + \frac{\delta f}{f}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{\xi^2 + \eta^2}{f^2} + \left(1 - \frac{\xi^2 + \eta^2}{4f^2} + \frac{\delta f}{f}\right)^2}} \right\}$$

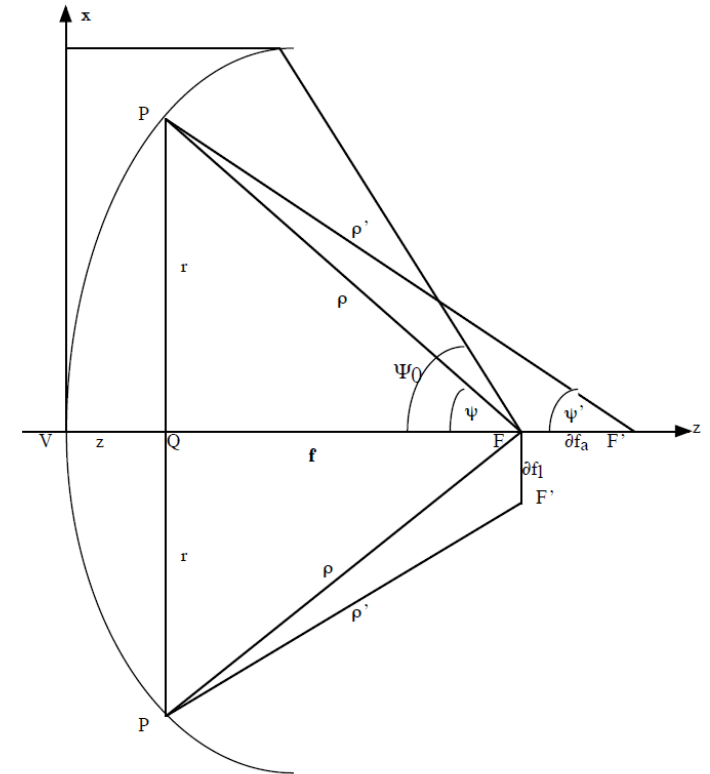


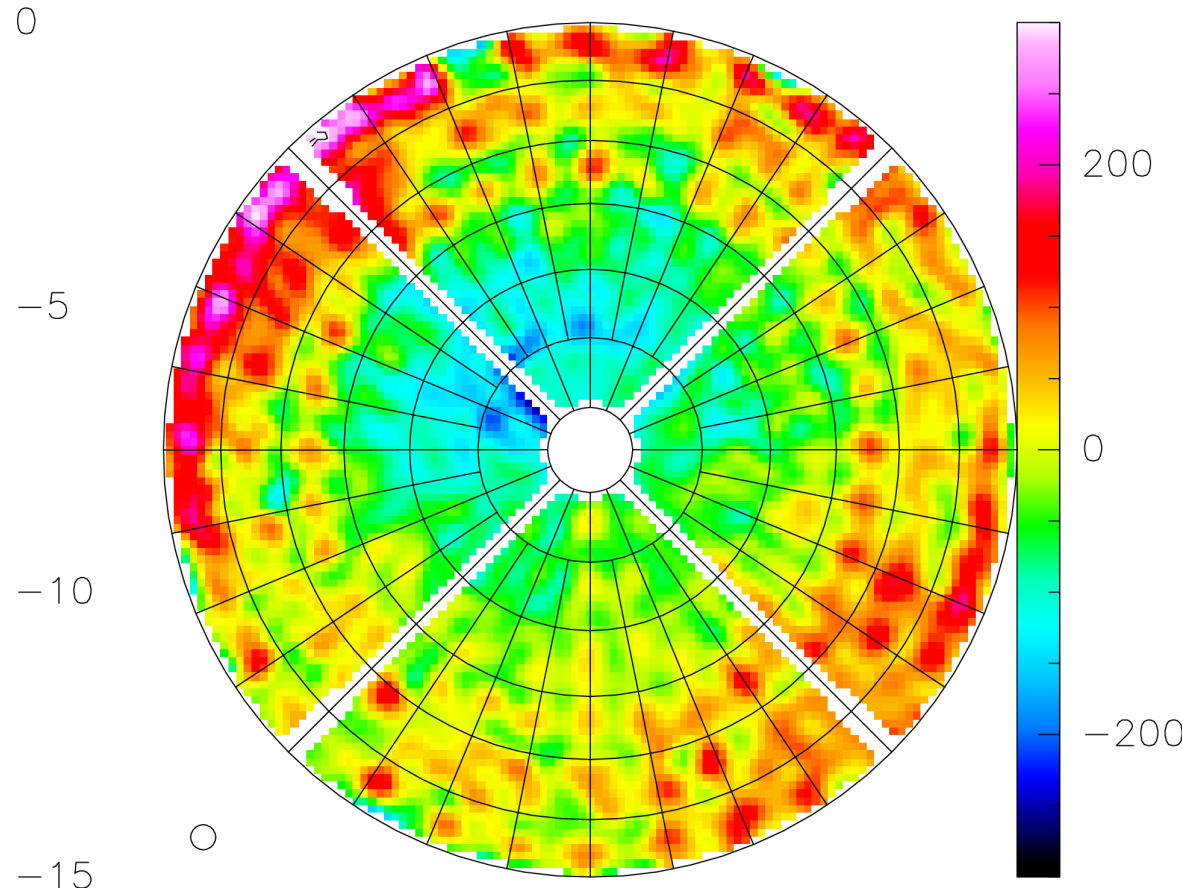
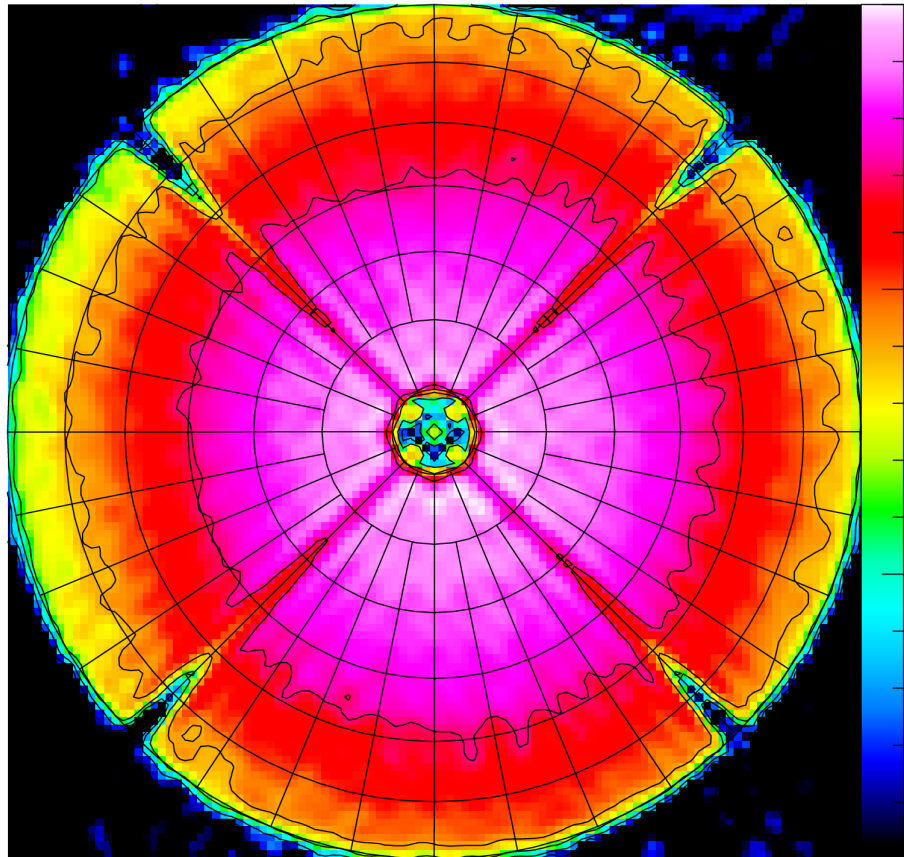
Fig. 2. The geometry of axial (upper half) and lateral (lower half) displacement of the feed from the focus of a parabola.

*Baars et al. 2007*

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13 3.07 Focus offsets (X,Y,Z) = 0.00 0.00 0.00 mm; Astigmatism = 0.0  $\mu\text{m}$  ( 180.0deg.)  
23 7.59 Phase rms (unweighted)= 0.238 (weighted)= 0.239 radians  
34 7.23 Surface rms (unweighted)= 74.78 - (weighted)= 69.91  $\mu\text{m}$   
35 7.42  $\eta_A$ ( 86.243 GHz) = 0.739;  $\eta_A$ (230.0 GHz) = 0.537;  $\eta_A$ (345.0 GHz) = 0.340  
36 7.00 S/T( 86.243 GHz)= 21.141 Jy/K; S/T(230GHz)= 29.064 Jy/K; S/T(345 GHz)= 45.909 Jy/K  
37 5.25  $\eta_I$  = 0.779  $-\eta_S$  = 0.780  $-\eta_P$ ( 86.243 GHz)= 0.949  $-\eta_P$ (230 GHz)= 0.690  $-\eta_P$ (345 GHz)= 0.437  
Rms/ring: 42.8 41.5 39.4 46.4 44.9 70.4  
Amplitude (back view) Normal errors (back view)  
-15.000 to 0.000 by 3.000 -300.000 to 300.000 by 300.000

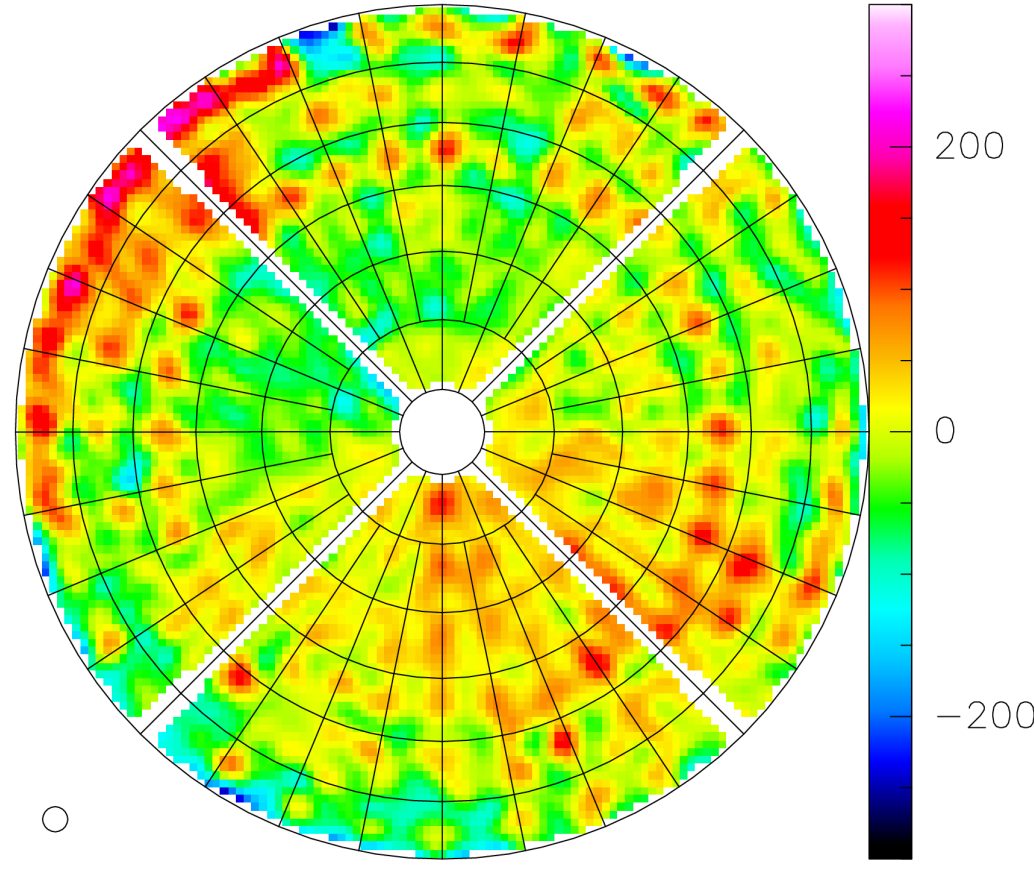
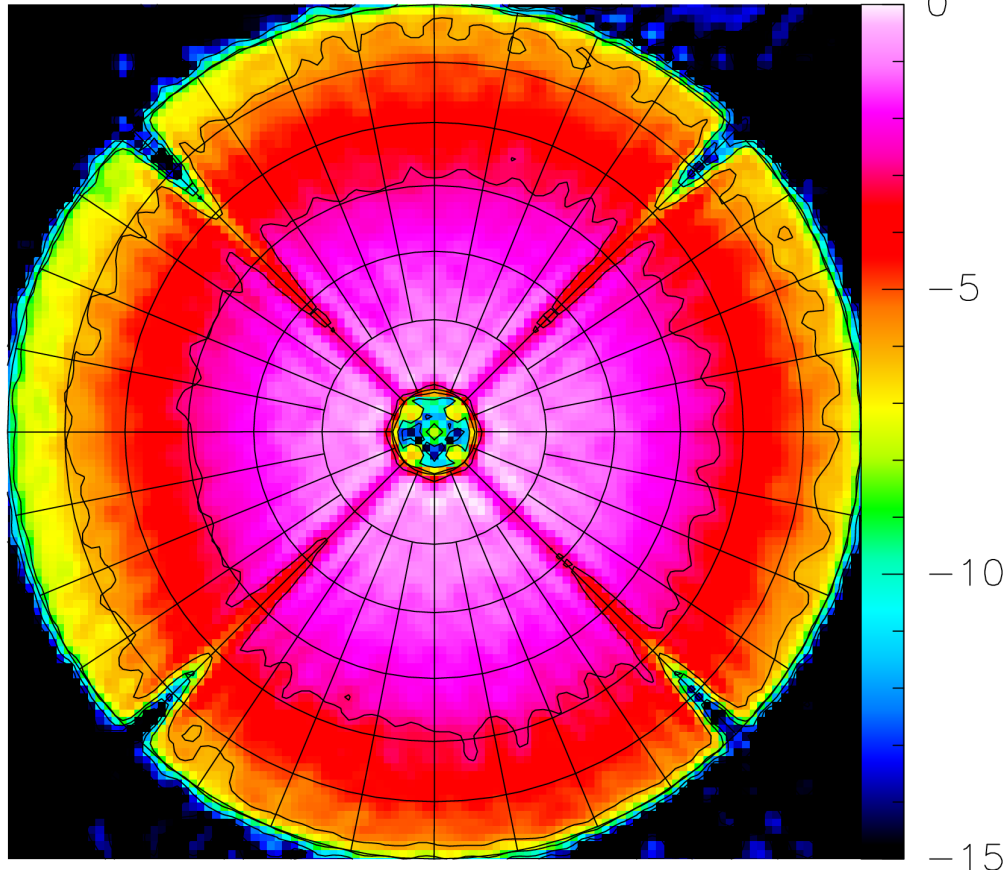




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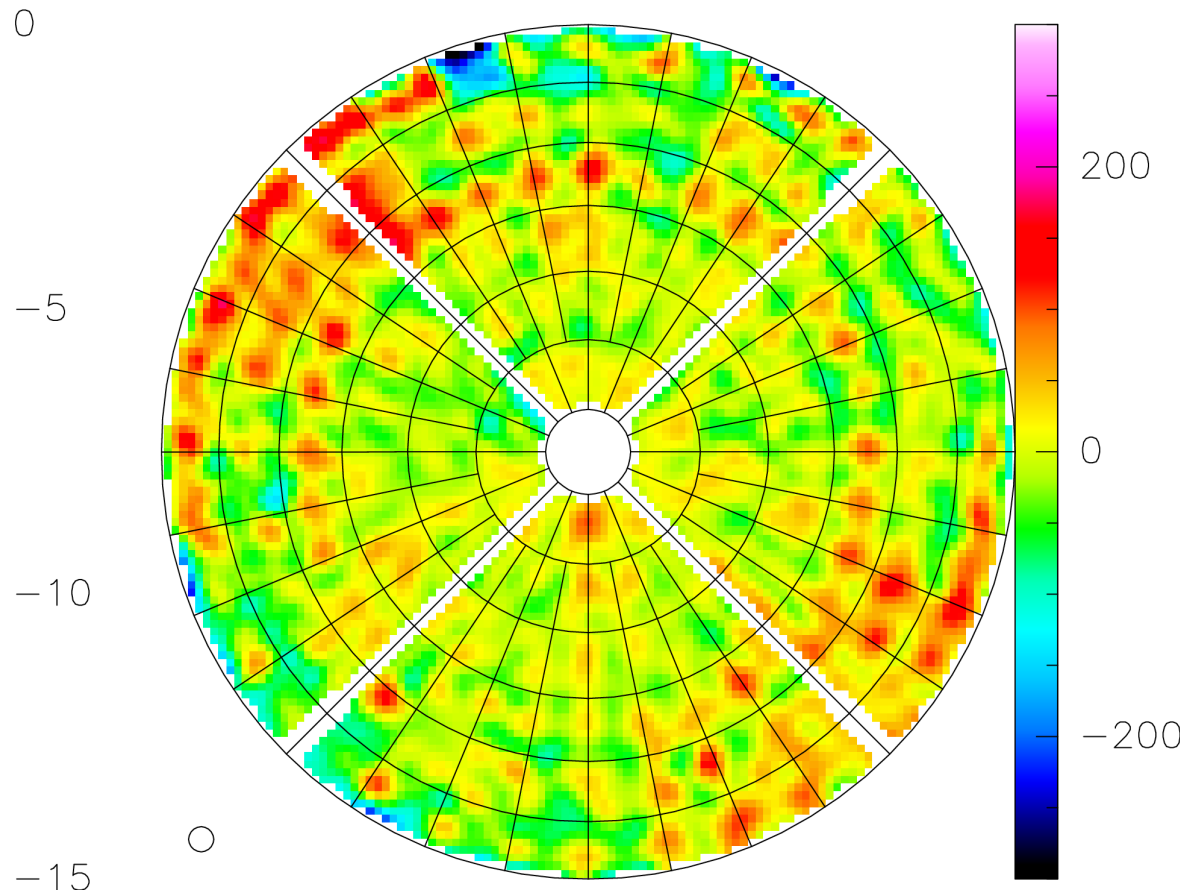
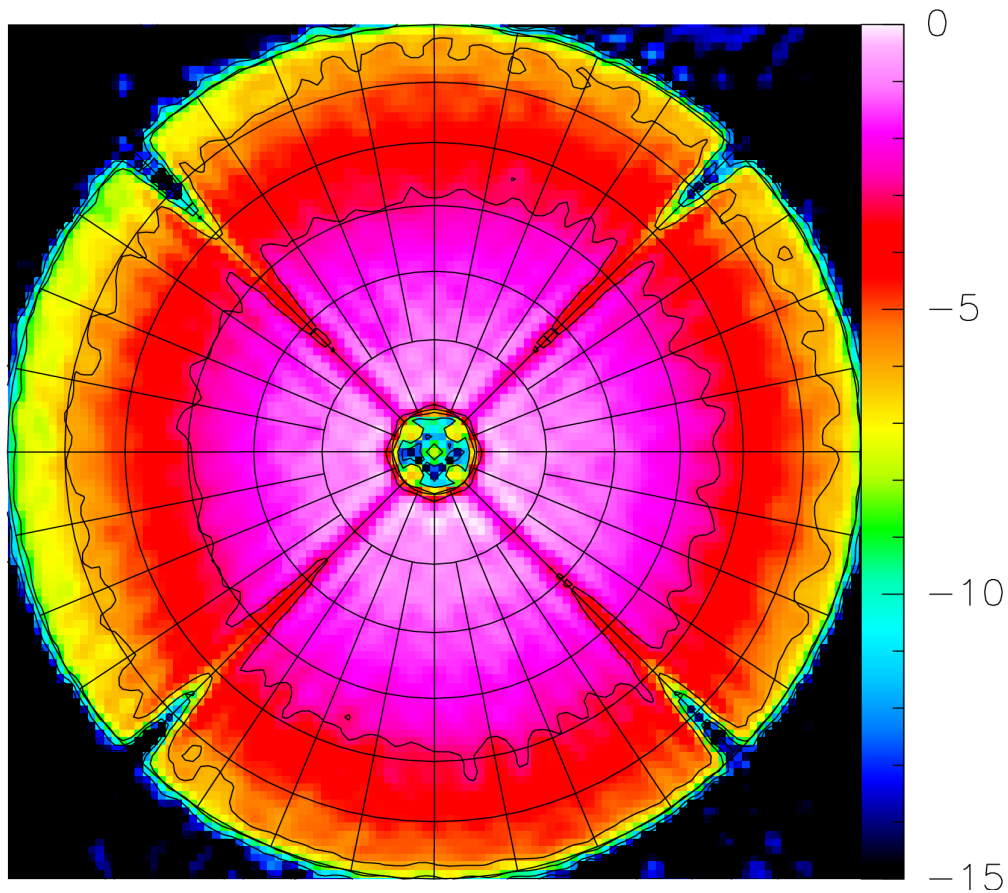
rms Pha. Edge taper = 14.76x 12.15 dB - offset X= 0.32 Y= -0.26 m  
13 3.07 Focus offsets (X,Y,Z) = 0.00 0.00 0.48 mm; Astigmatism = 0.0  $\mu\text{m}$  ( 180.0deg.)  
23 7.59 Phase rms (unweighted)= 0.163 (weighted)= 0.151 radians  
34 7.23 Surface rms (unweighted)= 52.35 - (weighted)= 47.04  $\mu\text{m}$   
35 7.42  $\eta_A$ ( 86.243 GHz) = 0.761;  $\eta_A$ (230.0 GHz) = 0.662;  $\eta_A$ (345.0 GHz) = 0.542  
36 7.00 S/T( 86.243 GHz)= 20.525 Jy/K; S/T(230GHz)= 23.585 Jy/K; S/T(345 GHz)= 28.799 Jy/K  
37 5.25  $\eta_I$ = 0.779  $-\eta_S$ = 0.780  $-\eta_P$ ( 86.243 GHz)= 0.977  $-\eta_P$ (230 GHz)= 0.851  $-\eta_P$ (345 GHz)= 0.697  
Rms/ring: 43.0 40.7 38.5 44.7 44.7 69.6  
Amplitude (back view) Normal errors (back view)  
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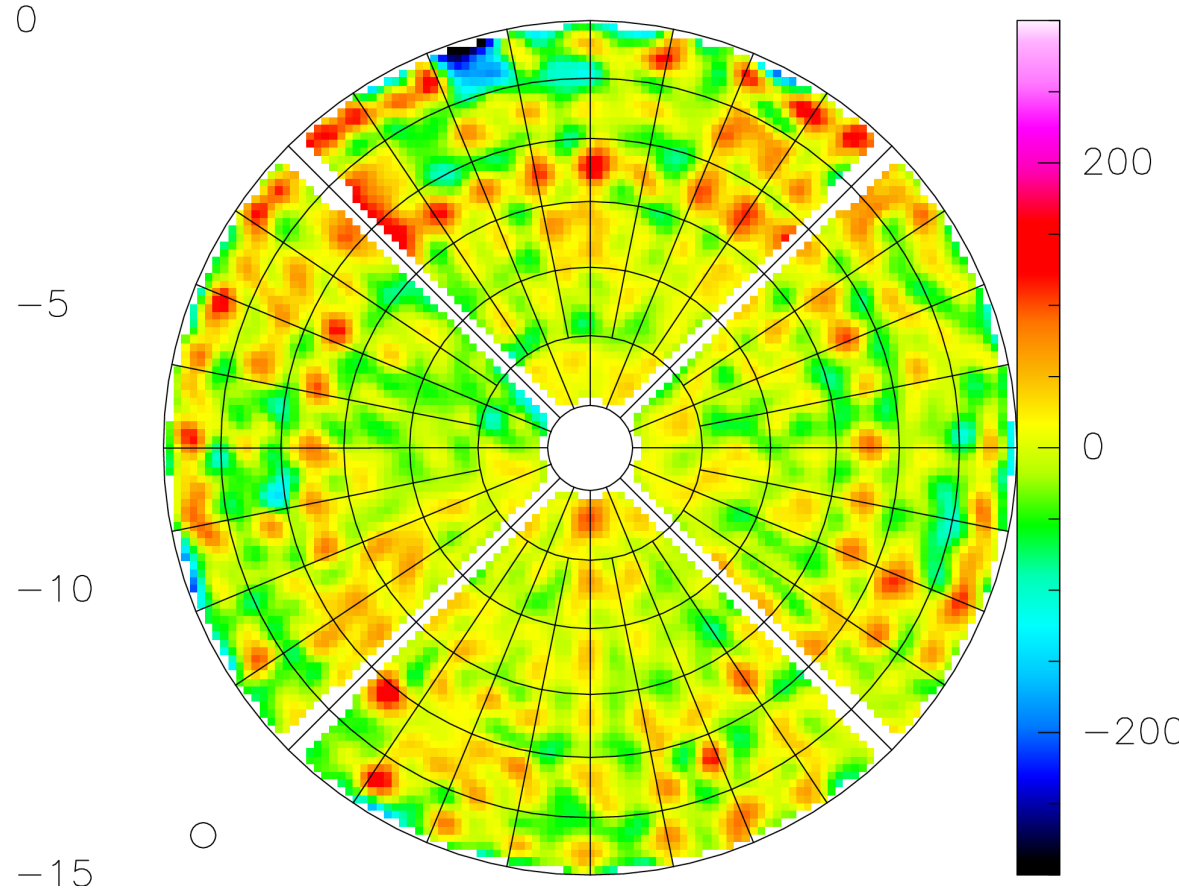
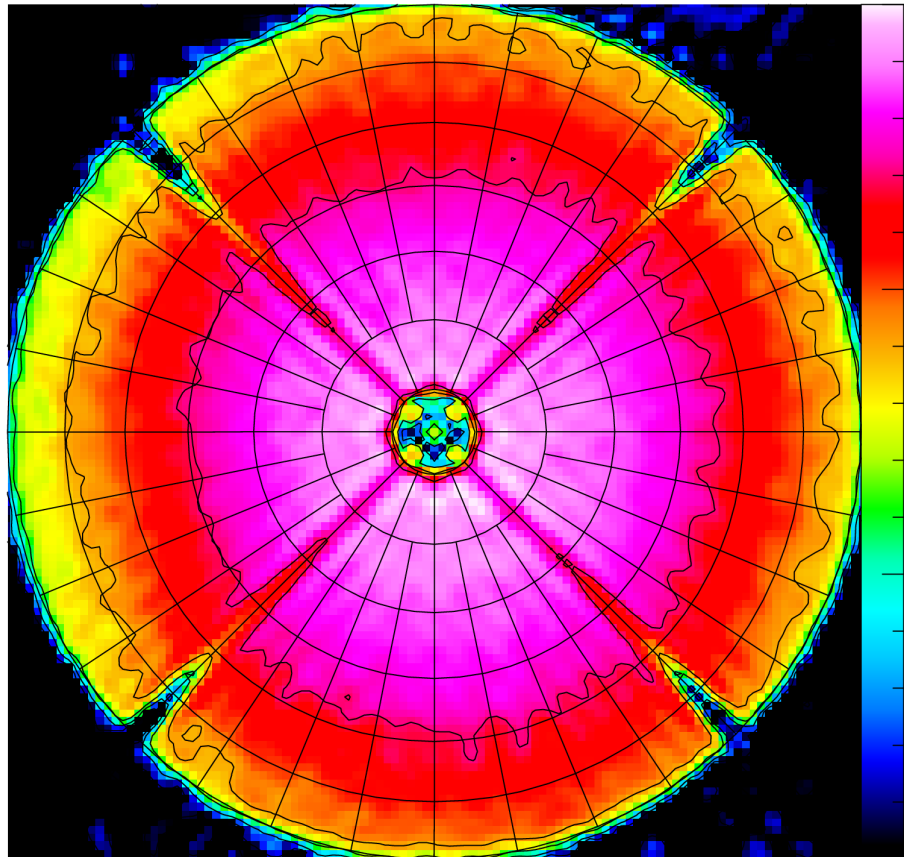
rms Pha. Edge taper = 14.76x 12.15 dB - offset X= 0.32 Y= -0.26 m  
13 3.07 Focus offsets (X,Y,Z) = -0.38 0.62 0.48 mm; Astigmatism = 0.0  $\mu\text{m}$  ( 180.0deg.)  
23 7.39 Phase rms (unweighted)= 0.143 (weighted)= 0.126 radians  
34 7.23 Surface rms (unweighted)= 46.54 - (weighted)= 40.01  $\mu\text{m}$   
35 7.42  $\eta_A$ ( 86.243 GHz) = 0.766;  $\eta_A$ (230.0 GHz) = 0.697;  $\eta_A$ (345.0 GHz) = 0.609  
36 7.00 S/T( 86.243 GHz)= 20.382 Jy/K; S/T(230GHz)= 22.422 Jy/K; S/T(345 GHz)= 25.636 Jy/K  
37 5.25  $\eta_I$ = 0.779  $-\eta_S$ = 0.780  $-\eta_P$ ( 86.243 GHz)= 0.984  $-\eta_P$ (230 GHz)= 0.895  $-\eta_P$ (345 GHz)= 0.783  
Rms/ring: 31.1 23.2 24.8 42.3 43.8 65.0  
Amplitude (back view) Normal errors (back view)  
-15.000 to 0.000 by 3.000 -300.000 to 300.000 by 300.000



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rms Pha. Edge taper = 14.76x 12.15 dB - offset X= 0.32 Y= -0.26 m  
 13 3.07 Focus offsets (X,Y,Z) = -0.38 0.62 0.48 mm; Astigmatism = 13.3  $\mu$ m ( 35.1deg.)  
 23 7.39  
 34 7.23 Phase rms (unweighted)= 0.131 (weighted)= 0.119 radians  
 35 7.42 Surface rms (unweighted)= 42.14 - (weighted)= 37.34  $\mu$ m  
 36 7.00  $\eta_A$ ( 86.243 GHz) = 0.768;  $\eta_A$ (230.0 GHz) = 0.705;  $\eta_A$ (345.0 GHz) = 0.626  
 37 5.25 S/T( 86.243 GHz)= 20.345 Jy/K; S/T(230GHz)= 22.142 Jy/K; S/T(345 GHz)= 24.941 Jy/K  
 $\eta_I$ = 0.779  $-\eta_S$ = 0.780  $-\eta_P$ ( 86.243 GHz)= 0.986  $-\eta_P$ (230 GHz)= 0.906  $-\eta_P$ (345 GHz)= 0.804  
 Rms/ring: 31.5 23.6 26.6 40.4 39.7 55.8  
 Amplitude (back view) Normal errors (back view)  
 -15.000 to 0.000 by 3.000 -300.000 to 300.000 by 300.000

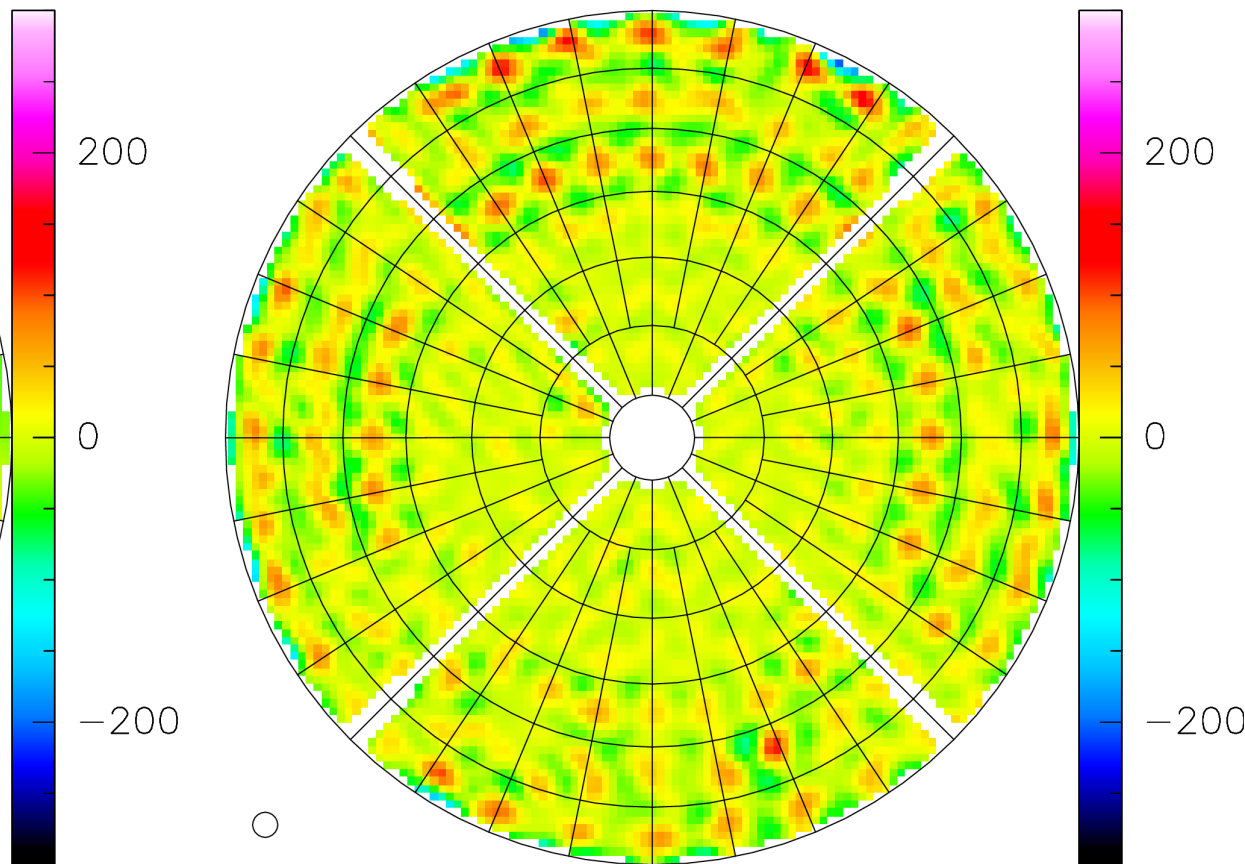
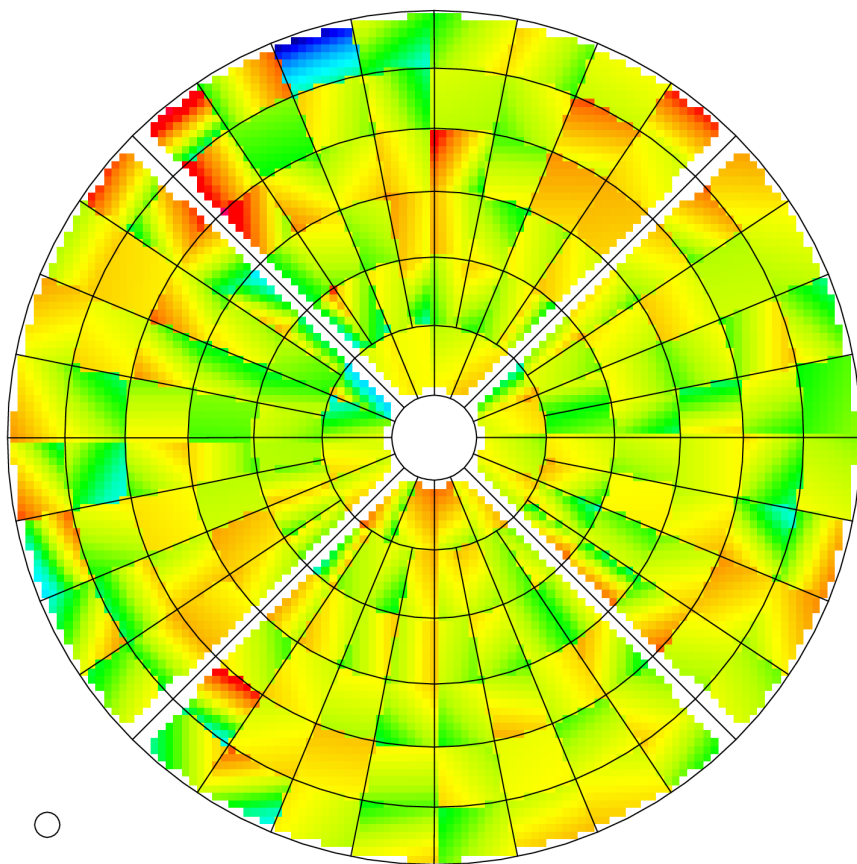




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rms Pha. Edge taper = 14.76x 12.15 dB - offset X= 0.32 Y= -0.26 m  
13 3.07 Focus offsets (X,Y,Z) = -0.38 0.62 0.48 mm; Astigmatism = 13.3  $\mu\text{m}$  ( 35.1deg.)  
23 7.39  
34 7.23 Phase rms (unweighted)= 0.131 (weighted)= 0.119 radians  
35 7.42 Surface rms (unweighted)= 42.14 - (weighted)= 37.34  $\mu\text{m}$   
36 7.00  $\eta_A$ ( 86.243 GHz) = 0.768;  $\eta_A$ (230.0 GHz) = 0.705;  $\eta_A$ (345.0 GHz) = 0.626  
37 5.25 S/T( 86.243 GHz)= 20.345 Jy/K; S/T(230GHz)= 22.142 Jy/K; S/T(345 GHz)= 24.941 Jy/K  
 $\eta_I$ = 0.779  $-\eta_S$ = 0.780  $-\eta_P$ ( 86.243 GHz)= 0.986  $-\eta_P$ (230 GHz)= 0.906  $-\eta_P$ (345 GHz)= 0.804  
Rms/ring: 31.5 23.6 26.6 40.4 39.7 55.8  
Panel fit (back view) Residual after panel fit: 23.75 $\mu\text{m}$  (back view)  
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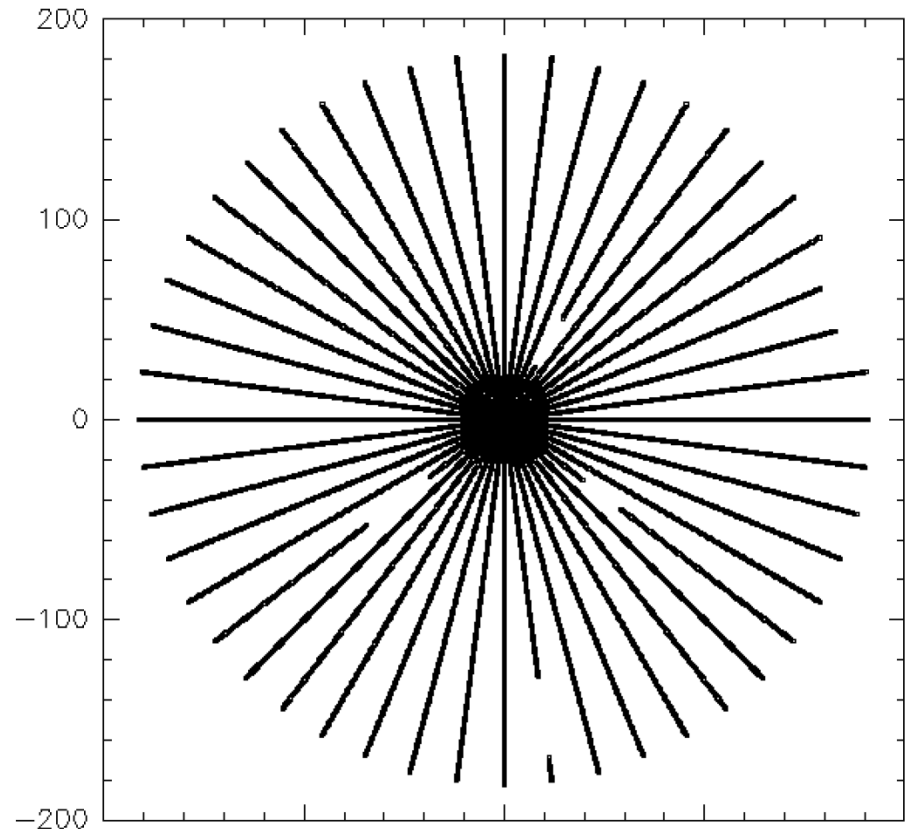


# Holography

- After Fourier transform:
  - Transform the amplitude in dB
  - Fit a parabola to the amplitude:
    - Measure feed taper
    - Receiver alignment
  - Fit the phases for:
    - Constant phase
    - Phase slope (constant pointing error)
    - x,y,z focus
    - Astigmatism
    - Panels
- This allow to compute aperture efficiency and illumination efficiency.

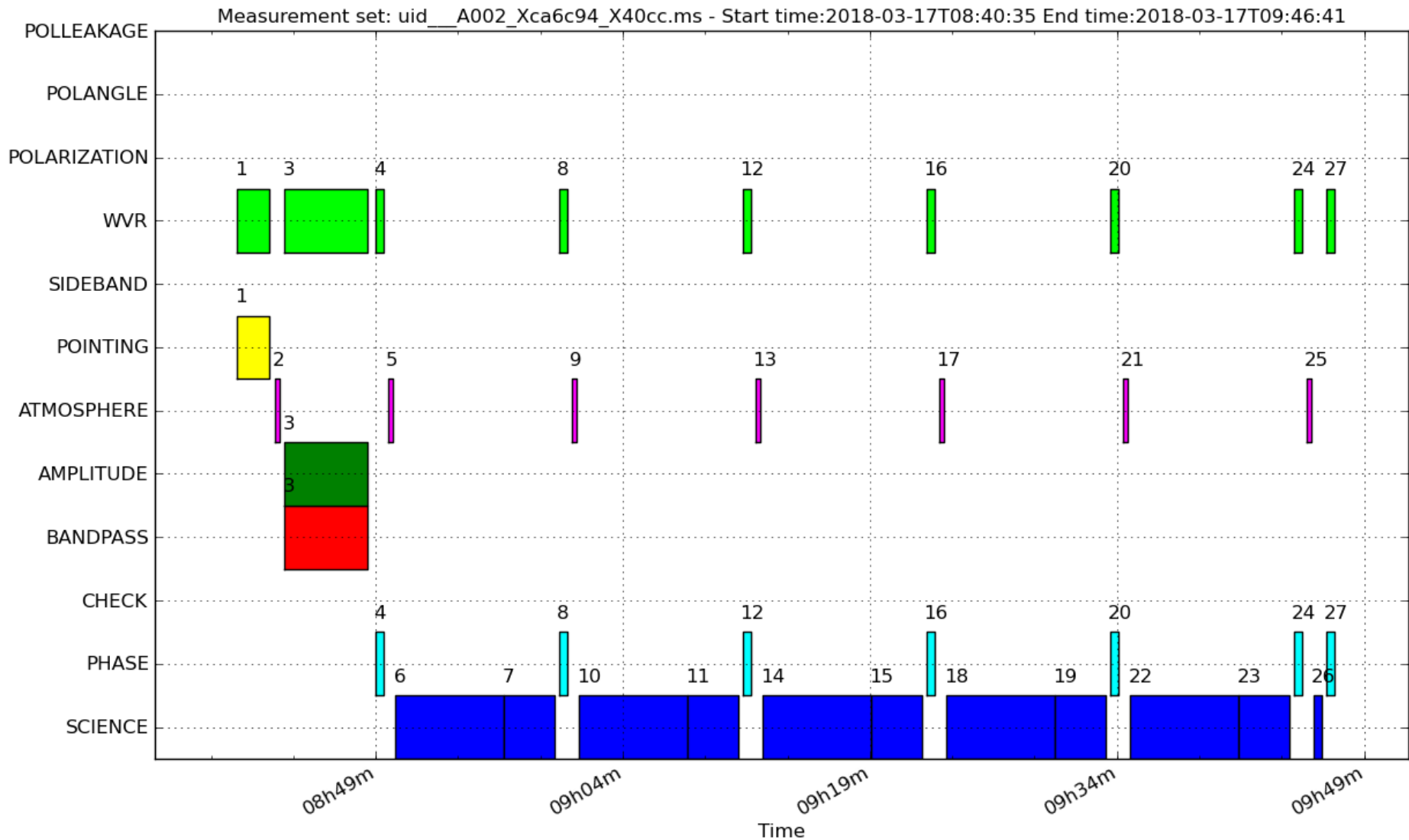
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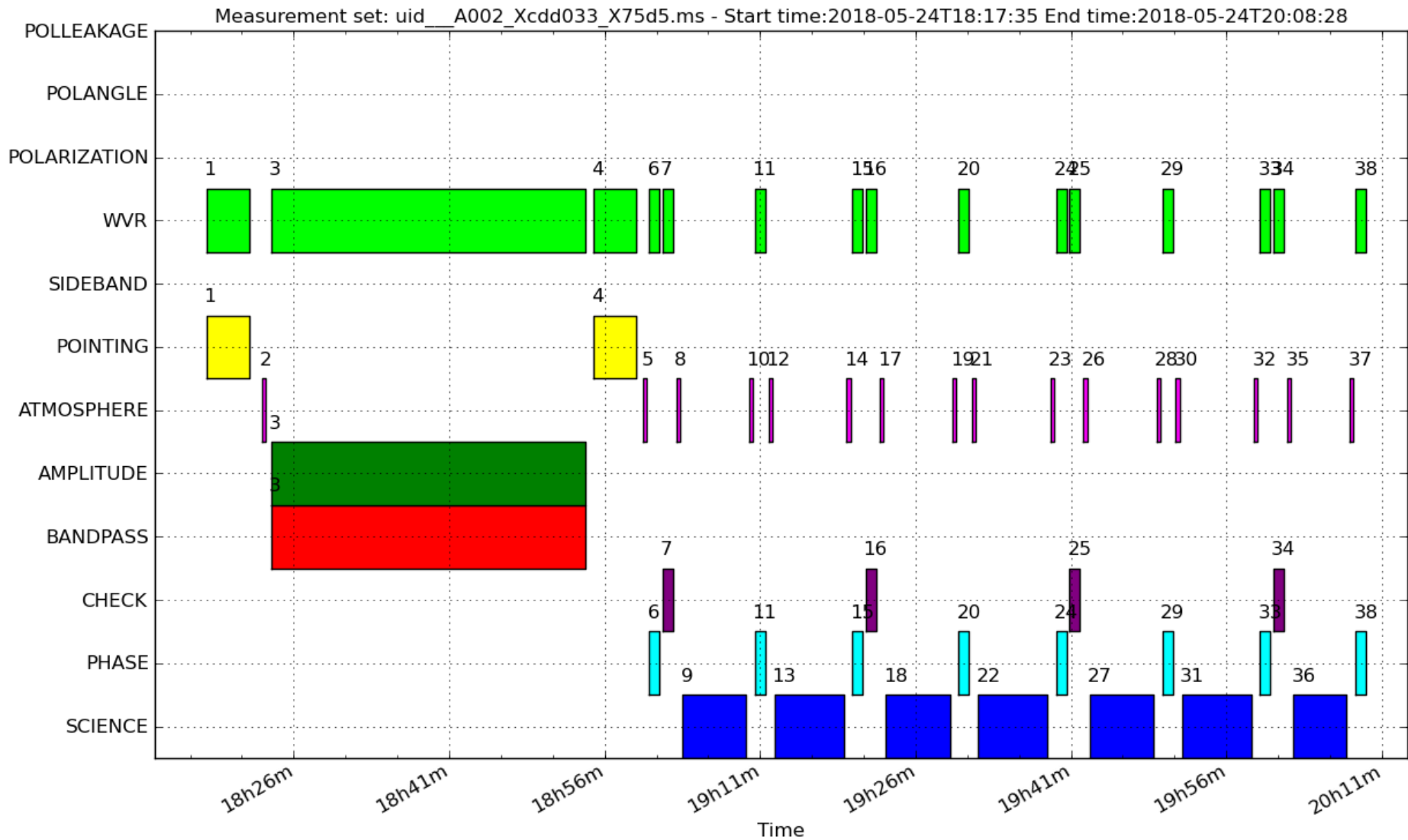
- On can do a radial scanning.
  - Does not need inter-scan boresight measurements
  - Give more weight to the central part (large scales in the aperture)
    - Ideal for beam shape measurement, focus measurement etc.
- *Was tested and is used at ALMA.*



*Robert Lucas presentation*

# Summary





# Summary

- NOEMA: observed in “tracks”, lasting a few hours.
- ALMA: observed in Scheduling Blocks (SB) lasting one hour maximum.

Calibration	Can be corrected	NOEMA	ALMA
Pointing	No	Every 1/2h	Once/twice per SB
Focusing	No	Every 1h	Dedicated calibration
Delay	Yes	Once per track	Every calibrator
Baseline	Yes	Once per config	Min once per config
Cable phase	No	Always	Always
WVR phase corr.	No but can discard	Always	Offline
Holography	No	When needed	When needed
Atm. calibration	Yes	Every source change	Every source change