

The six pillars in astronomy

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General

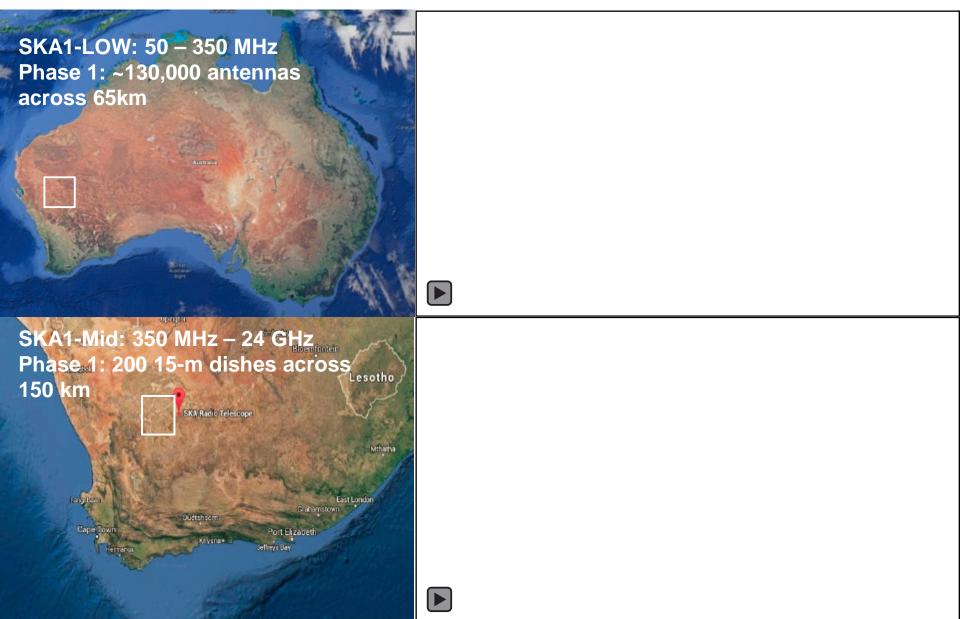
- ROOTS: Define data products transmitted via gateway from central computing facilities of hosted telescopes
- **FLEXIBILITY:** diversity of data pipelines
- **MANPOWER:** developing and maintaining data pipelines
- **COMPUTING:** processing of raw data to generate high-level data
- **ARCHIVE:** Long-term cost-efficient **raw data storage**
- **DISSEMINATION:** Storage and secure external access to high-level data
- **HPC:** Monte Carlo/numerical **simulations** (interface to specialized HPCs?)
- **R&D**: evolutionary approach to optimize *modus operandi*
- **SUSTAINABILITY**
- TRAINING
- **VIRTUAL OBSERVATORY:** (\rightarrow external partners such as CDS or GAVO)
 - Overlay images and c ross-identifications
 - Multi-wavelength spectra (correlations in energy space)
 - Statistical analysis (spatial correlations)
 - Time-domain studies (temporal correlations, transients)
 - Source classification (machine learning)
 - Pretty pictures and movies (public outreach)

Examples

• Examples of data/HPC center support:

- Jülich Supercomputing Centre: LOFAR/SKA data-pipeline support
- Rechenzentrum Garching: EUCLID collects >500,000 images during 6 years of operation (30 Pbytes). Combine with hybrid data from ground-based spectroscopy (e.g. DES, KIDS). RZG provides: 36 compute nodes with 576 kernels and 500 TB storage realized as GPFS, external data access using gridFTP or Globus Online and external access to computing by globus GRAM.
- LRZ: SuperMUC (2 Pflops/s) for numerical simulations (MHD, PIC)
- Education: Hands-on-Universe, robotic telescopes (MONET), citizen science (SETI, Panstarrs, galaxy zoo of SDSS)
- **Upcoming**: Euclid, eROSITA, Athena, LSST, ELT, CTA, LOFAR, **SKA**
- Denkschrift 2017 & Strategiepapiere (RDS)
 - Information Science and E-Infrastructure Challenges in Astronomy (Polsterer et al.)
 - Computational Astrophysics (Röpke et al.)
 - → www.denkschrift2017.de

SKA: HQ in UK; telescopes in AUS & RSA

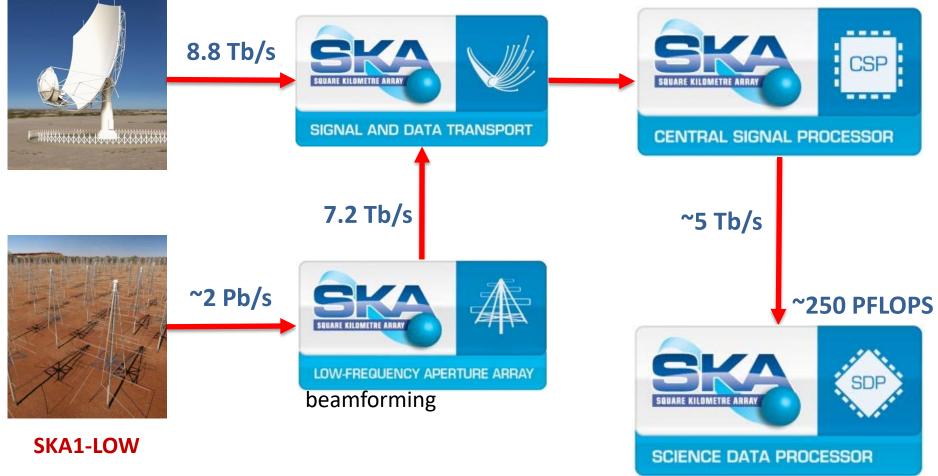


Data Flow through the SKA



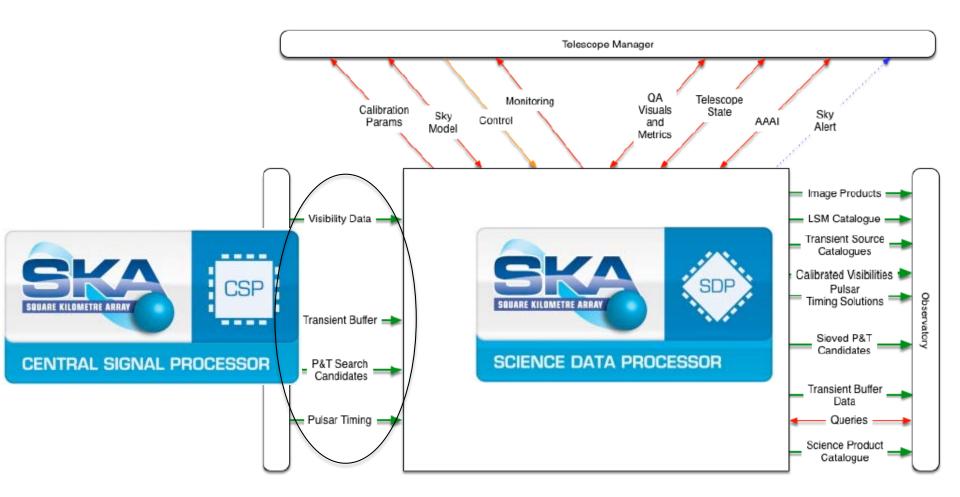
SKA1-MID

~50 PFLOPS



~300 PB / year

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Raw data processing is extremely challenging

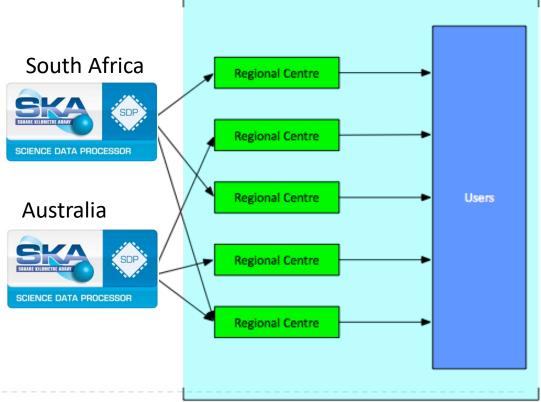
- Pre-analysis in near-realtime and strong data reduction (~ 10⁵)
- Science data products = large objects (up to ~ 1 Petabyte / 3D image)
 - To be "improved" in Regional Data Centers

The science data products that emerge from the SKA observatory are not in the final state required for science analysis

SKA Regional Centres – outside SKAO scope

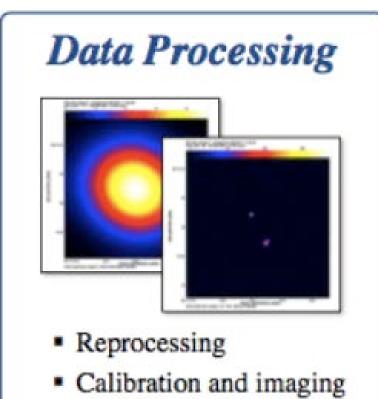
- Required
 - capacity for reprocessing data and their analysis
 - storage for a long-term archive
 - local user support
- Intent
 - SKA partner countries planning SKA regional Centres
 - National super-computing centres
 - Provide local support to scientists
 - Development of new techniques, new algorithms
 - Deliver SKA science





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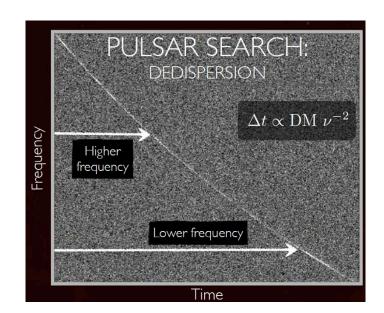




- Source extraction
- Catalog (re-)creation
- DM searches

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merging individual observations of long term projects

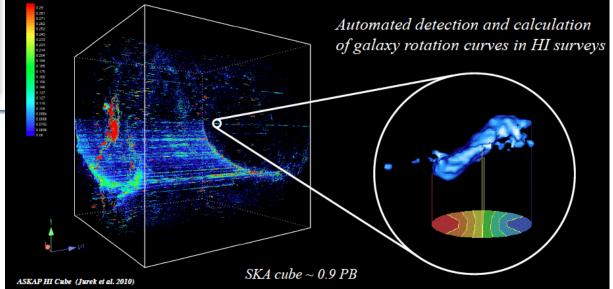


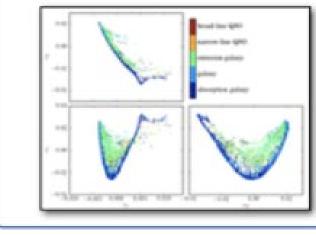
Data Mining

- Multi-wavelength studies
- Catalog cross-matching
- Transient classification
- Feature detection
- Visualization

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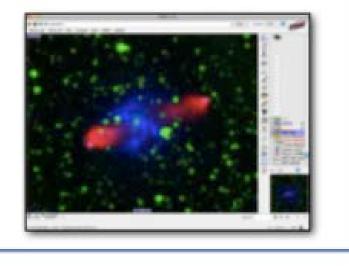
Visualisation, Detection, Classification, Inference





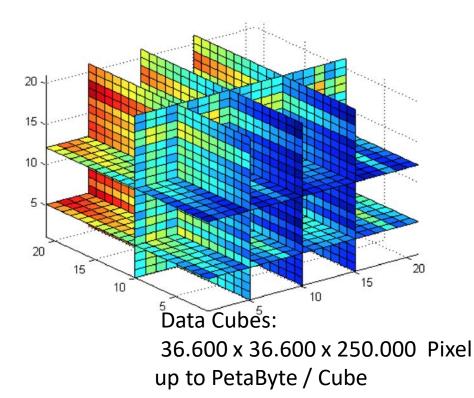
Data Discovery

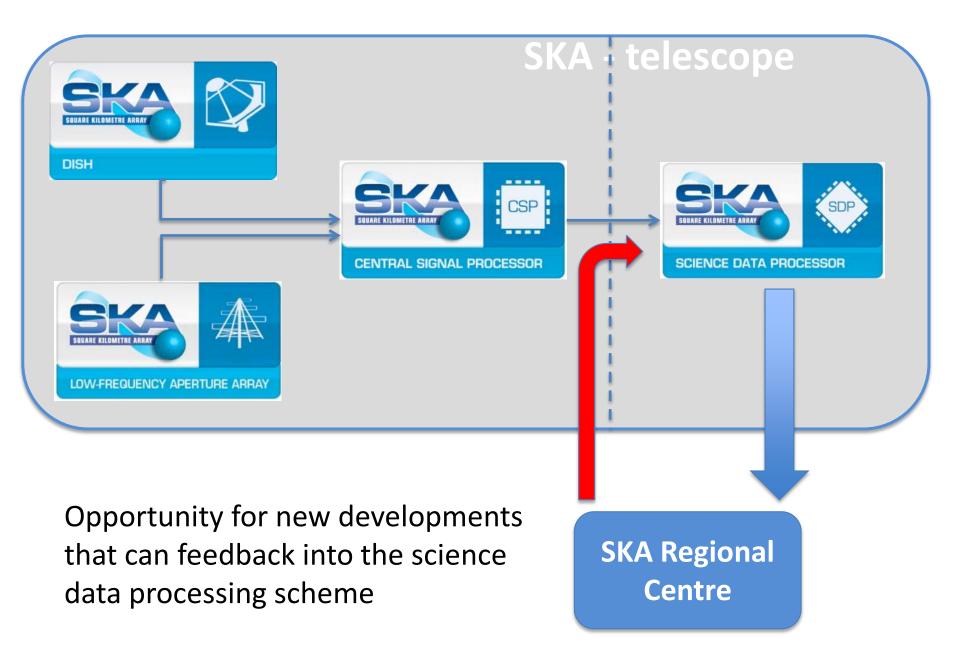
- Observation database
- Quick-look data products
- Flexible catalog queries
- Integration with VO tools
- Publish data to VO



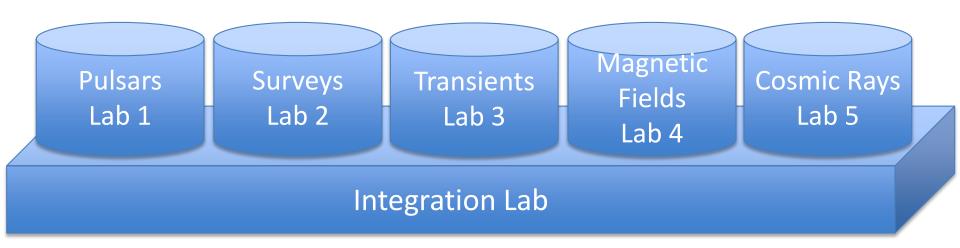
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Discovery of the un-knowns in semi-raw visibility data





National SKA Data Centre



5 Key Science Labs

- The SKAO has compiled a list of 13 High Priority Science Objectives (HPSO)
- HPSO require different approaches in data analytics due to different nature of data.

1 Integration Lab (general support)

- Basic services: Network, HPC, system integration
- Theory: Information theory, algorithms for Big Data analytics, Machine Learning, ...

In total: approx. 50 people required

• How to set this up properly ?

Think big enough!



- SKA national center could host all other experiments/observatories
- Amazon-type of investment: civil playground for future big data analytics developers
- Part of European science cloud based on CERN-SKA cooperation: Each of the current HGF centers is way too small!
- Data archive
 - Ten-ExaByte-scale mass storage with fast access
 - Responsibility for part of SKA central computing facility
 - Sustainable design (power supply /waste heat for green houses)
- Analysis and data science competence center
 - Ten-PFLOPS-scale compute power
 - 50 data scientists
 - Software implementations of data pipelines
 - Algorithms for data analysis and visualisation
 - User support
- Master-supplement "data scientist/engineer"