Kunming Station report for the EVN TOG meeting, November 24, 2020

Receivers:

Kunning 40m telescope has two working feeds at the second focus: S/X dual-band feed and C-band feed. The two feeds can only be in position alternatively.

Band	Available RF	LO	IF OUTPUT	Nominal SEFD
	(MHz)	(MHz)	(MHz)	(Jy)
S	2174 – 2301 (HTS filter)	2000	174 - 301	850
	2160 – 2314 (normal filter)		160 - 314	
C	4000 - 8000	3900 - 7500	70 - 512	290
		Tunable	70 – 1024	
		(min step 1kHz)		
X	8200 - 9000	8100	100 - 900	300

Table 1. Receivers at Kunming station

Note: No valid Tsys calculation during observations. SEFD estimates are provided.

Data acquisition systems:

Kunming has two recording systems DBBC2/Mark6 and CDAS (Chinese VLBI Data Acquisition System)/Mark5b. CDAS is the main recording system for EVN observations.

All the data transferred with a 1Gbps network, which is becoming a routine at Kunming station. It brings us big convenience.

Flexbuff:

The plan to send a mark 6 suite to JIVE was delayed because the shipment fee roared and kept to a high level at about 5,800 euro due to the COVID-19. We may wait a bit longer, and the other options are also reconsidered now.

2020 Sessions:

Kunming station participated and ran normally in 2020 EVN sessions. And the EVN

experiments have been marked as the highest-priority in all observations except exploration missions for Moon and Mars.

The observations Kunming participated since the last report:

Session II: N20M2, ED046A Session III: N20M3, EB079, RSC07, EY035 e-VLBI: EX009, EY037

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