

Technical Operations, R&D



JIVE

Joint Institute for VLBI
ERIC

Current hardware

1	100 Gbps	
17	FlexBuff	~4.6PB
3	Mark6	
27	Mark5	
1012	SFXCcores	

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~~~4-6PB~~ → **~9-10PB**  
SOON  
*Nov 2021*

## 17 FlexBuff

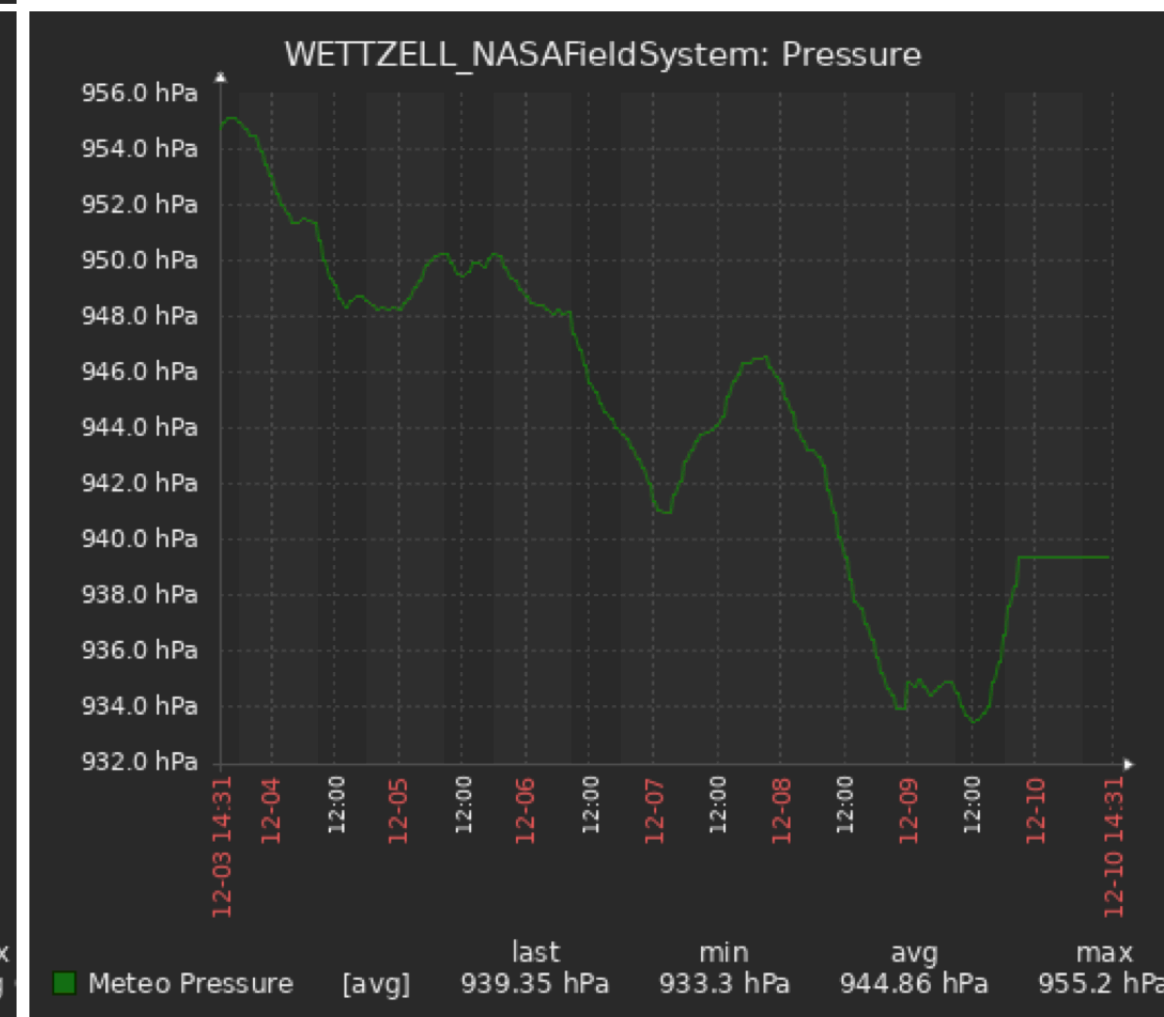
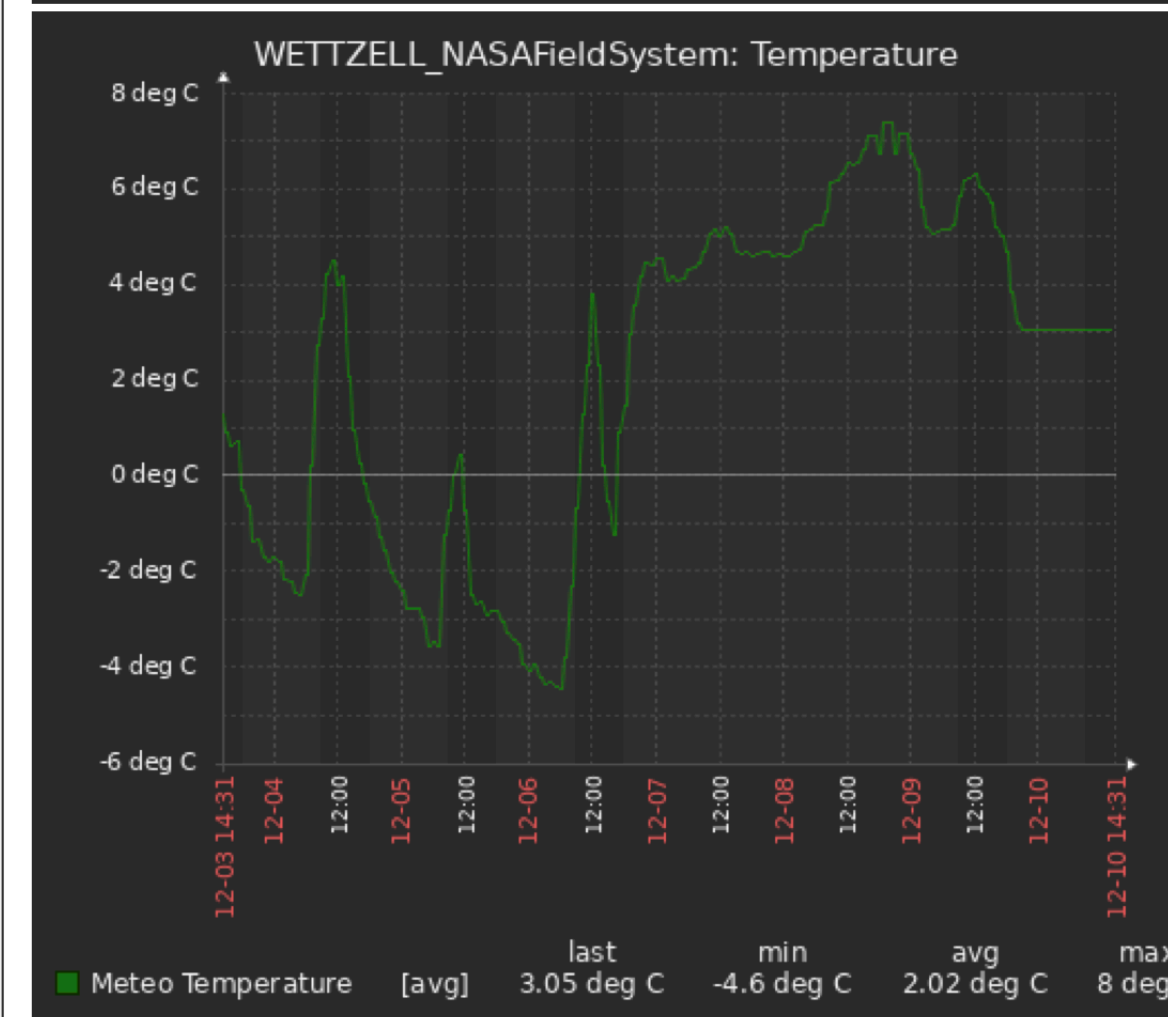
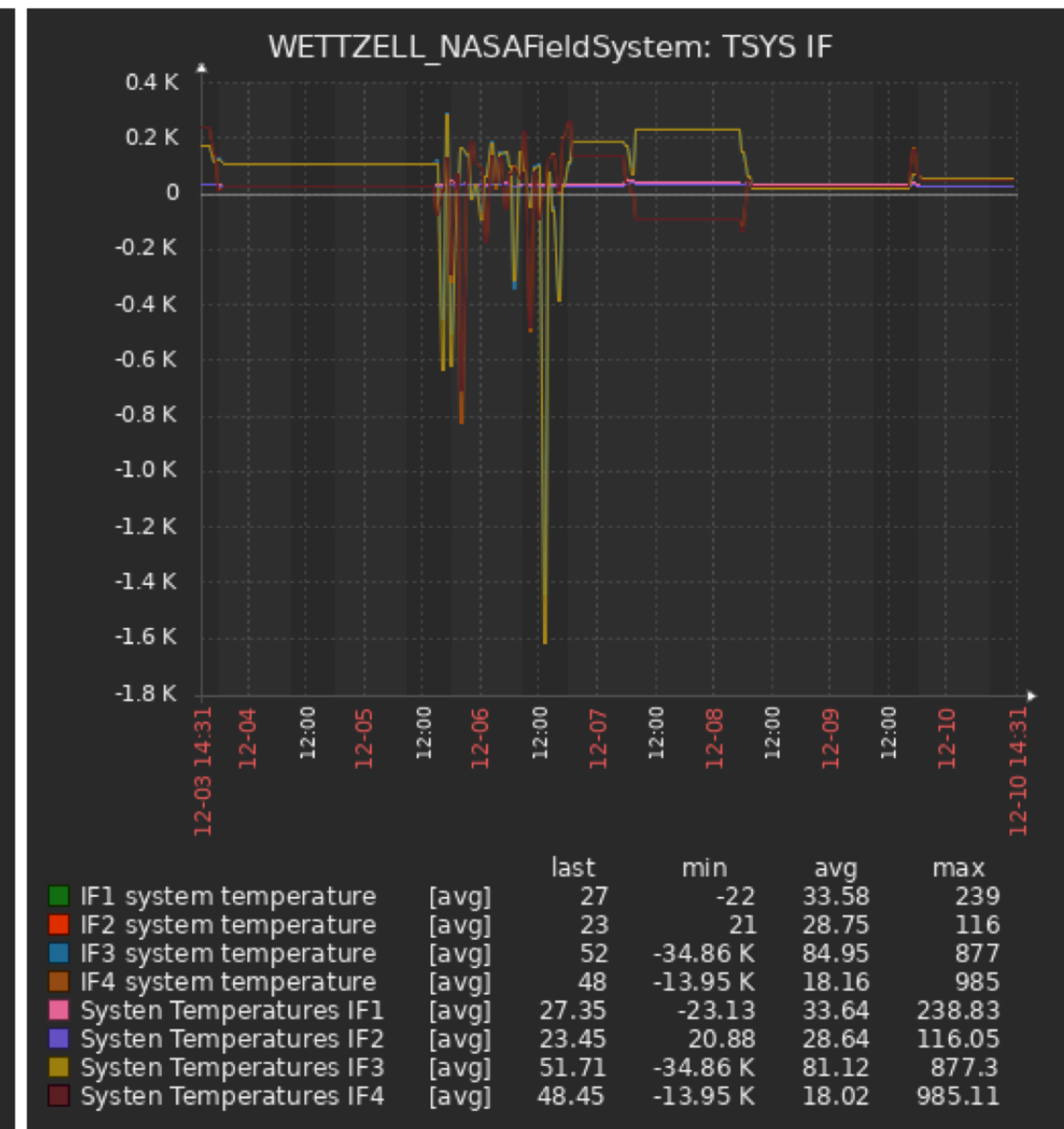
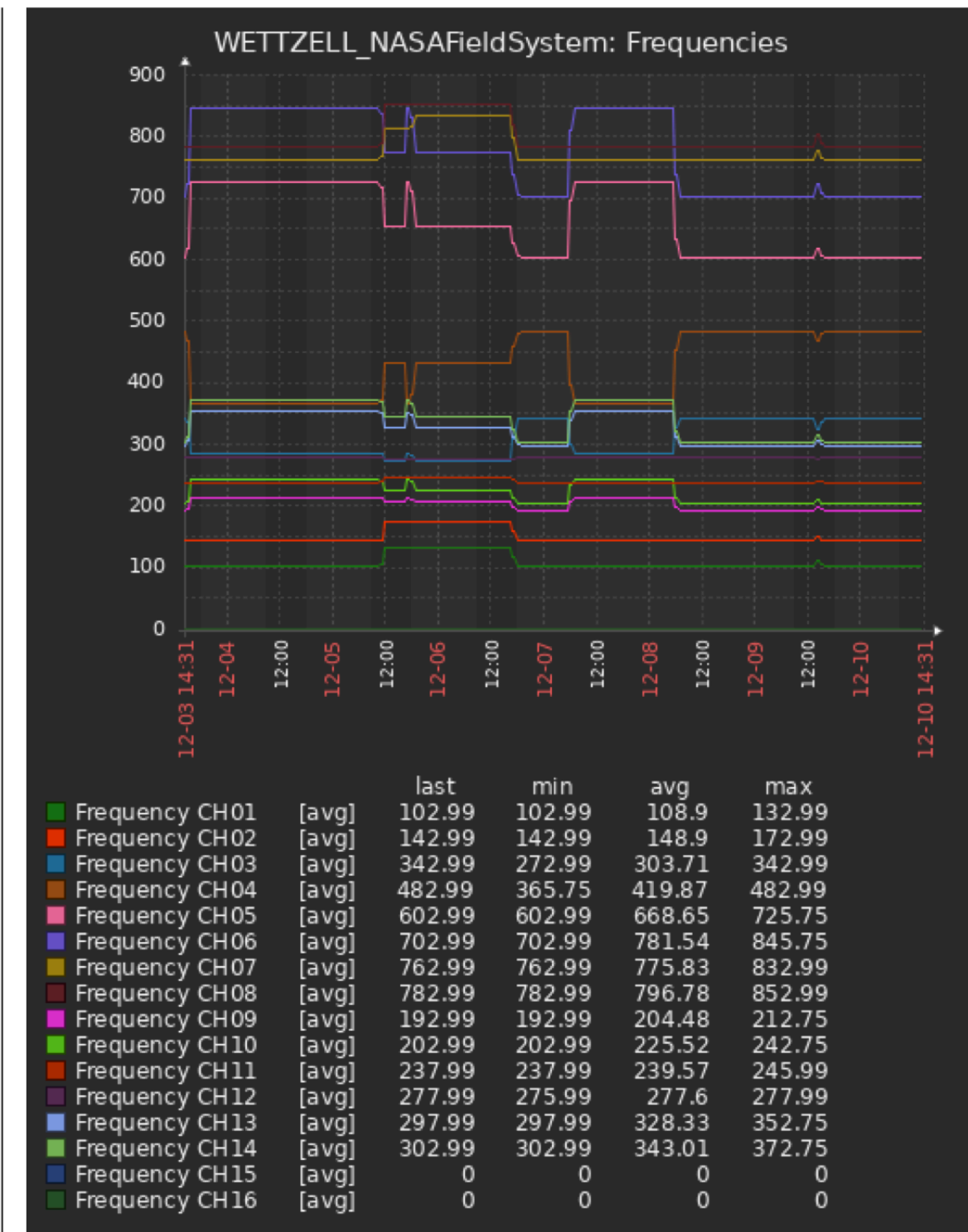
~~~4-5PB~~ → **~9-10PB**  
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Station + JIVE action +
coordination required
(well) before then!

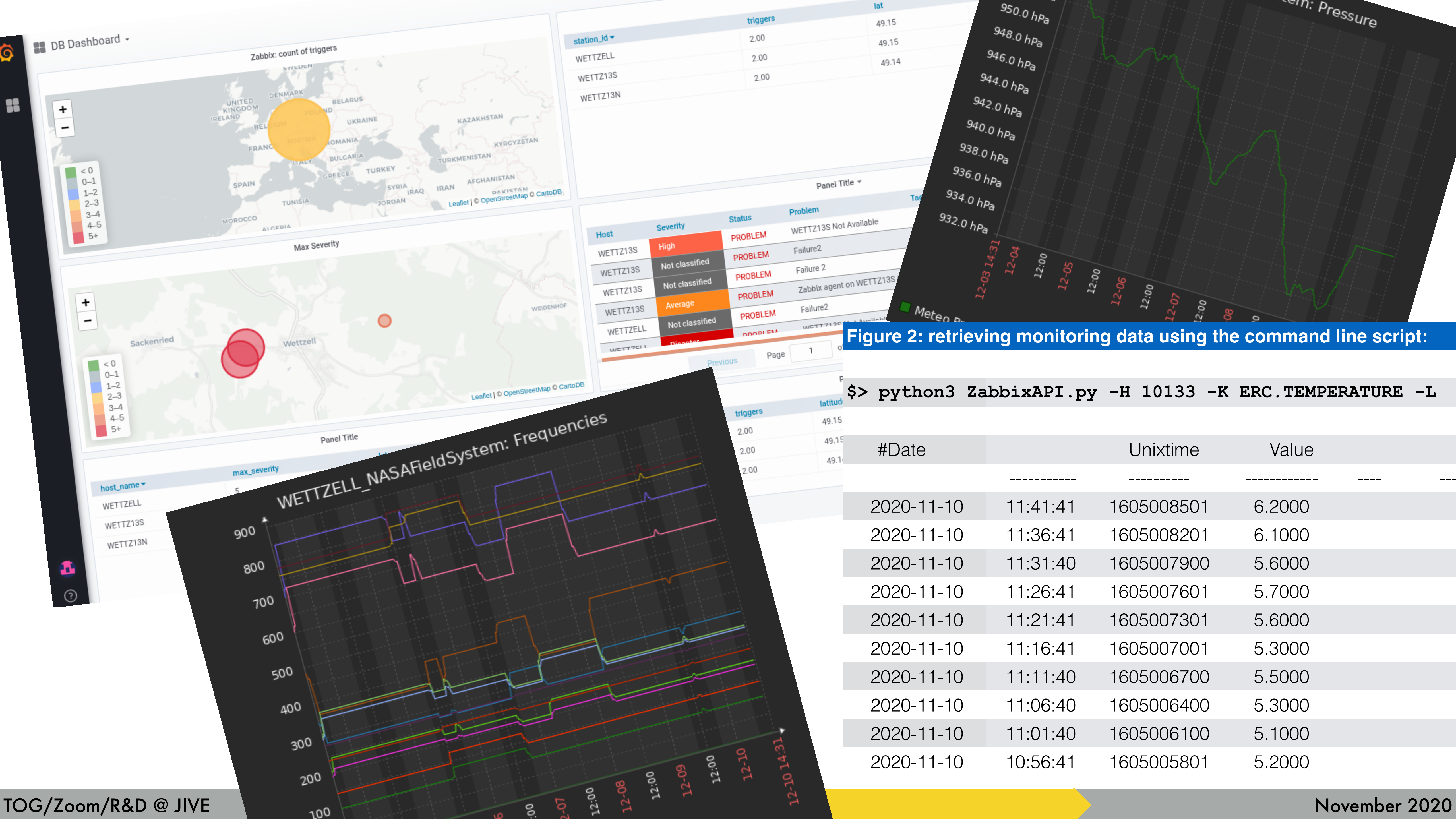
R&D / Projects / JUMPING JIVE

Project end date now 31 July 2021 #COVID19

- pySCHED (refactoring SCHED to Python)
 - Some bug/user reports came in and were handled



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| station_id | triggers | lat |
|------------|----------|-------|
| WETTZELL | 2.00 | 49.15 |
| WETTZ13S | 2.00 | 49.15 |
| WETTZ13N | 2.00 | 49.14 |

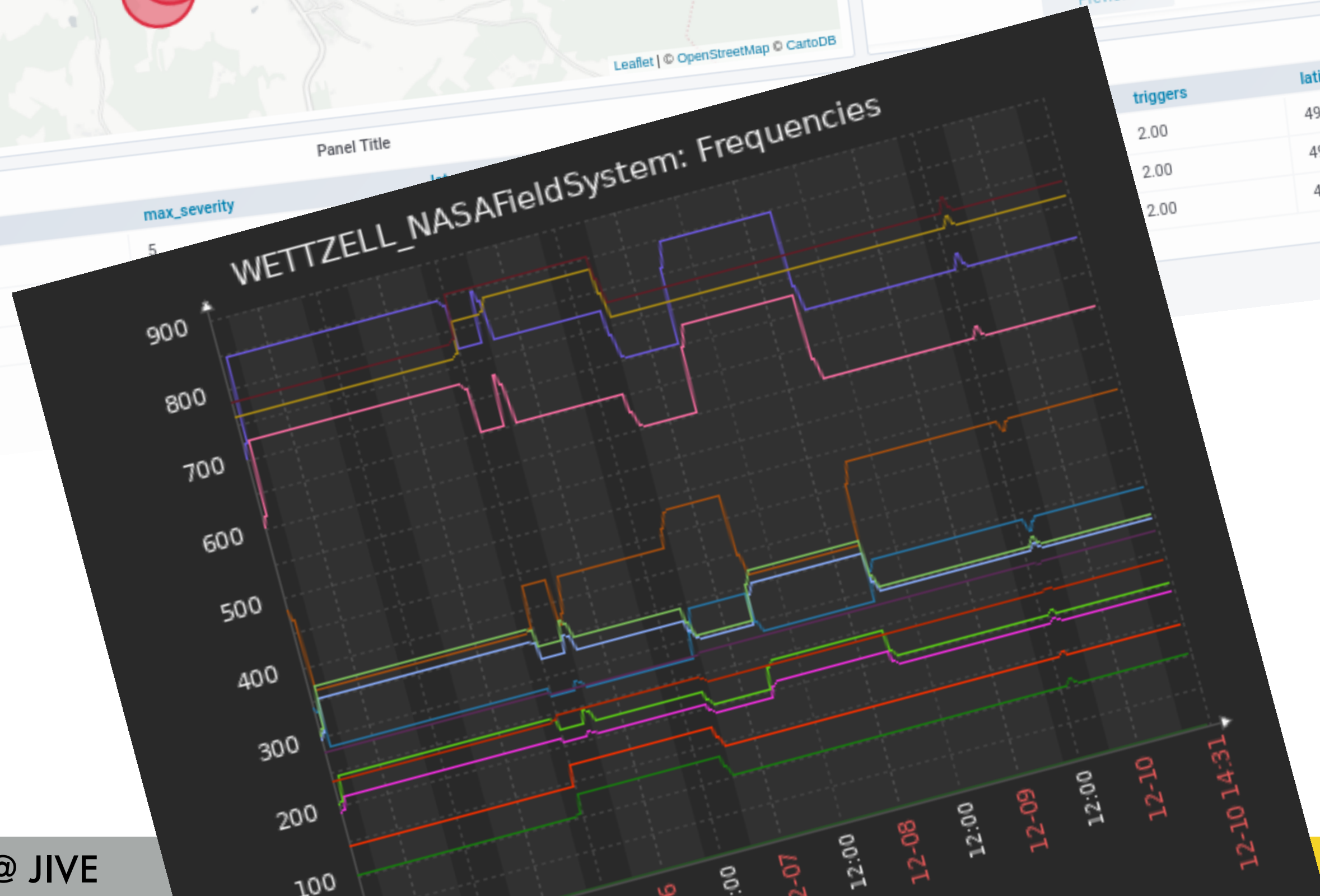
| Host | Severity | Status | Problem |
|----------|----------------|---------|--------------------------|
| WETTZ13S | High | PROBLEM | WETTZ13S Not Available |
| WETTZ13S | Not classified | PROBLEM | Failure2 |
| WETTZ13S | Not classified | PROBLEM | Failure 2 |
| WETTZ13S | Average | PROBLEM | Zabbix agent on WETTZ13S |
| WETTZELL | Not classified | PROBLEM | Failure2 |
| WETTZELL | Disaster | PROBLEM | WETTZ13S |



Figure 2: retrieving monitoring data using the command line script:

```
$> python3 ZabbixAPI.py -H 10133 -K ERC.TEMPERATURE -L
```

| #Date | Unixtime | Value | |
|------------|----------|------------|--------|
| 2020-11-10 | 11:41:41 | 1605008501 | 6.2000 |
| 2020-11-10 | 11:36:41 | 1605008201 | 6.1000 |
| 2020-11-10 | 11:31:40 | 1605007900 | 5.6000 |
| 2020-11-10 | 11:26:41 | 1605007601 | 5.7000 |
| 2020-11-10 | 11:21:41 | 1605007301 | 5.6000 |
| 2020-11-10 | 11:16:41 | 1605007001 | 5.3000 |
| 2020-11-10 | 11:11:40 | 1605006700 | 5.5000 |
| 2020-11-10 | 11:06:40 | 1605006400 | 5.3000 |
| 2020-11-10 | 11:01:40 | 1605006100 | 5.1000 |
| 2020-11-10 | 10:56:41 | 1605005801 | 5.2000 |



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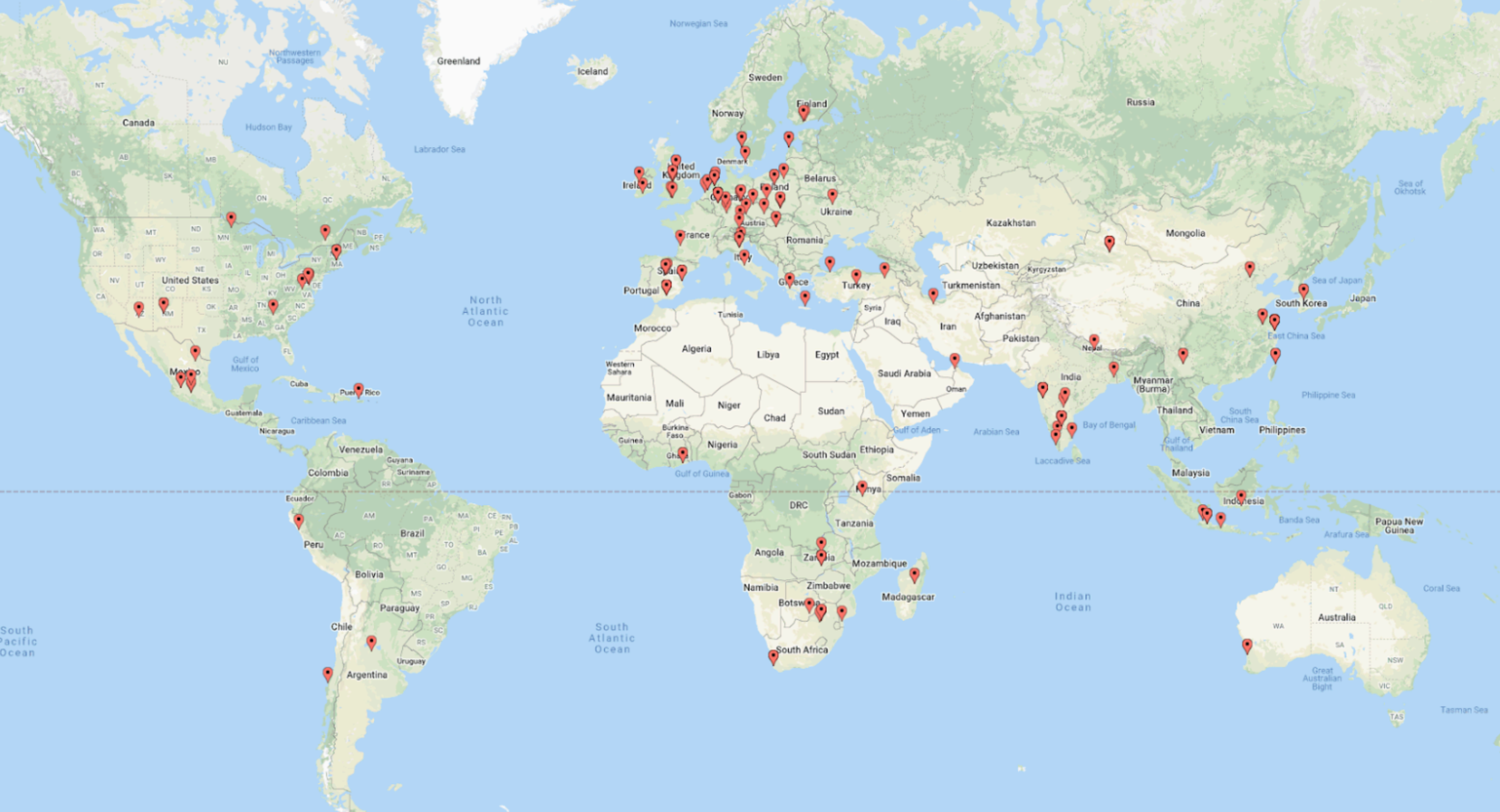
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R&D / CASA VLBI work (future)

- Continued developments
 - funded through ESCAPE WorkPackage 3
 - novel wide- and widely separated band fringe fit
 - full gaincurve support
 - import from FITS file
 - when joining MeasurementSets
 - .. splitting MeasurementSets
 - Adjust EOP parameters / model

- Organized by JIVE
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JIVE Wiki

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CASA-VLBI workshop

Welcome to the CASA-VLBI workshop wiki page. This page is maintained and updated during the event, in case of questions, first check back here to see if the answer has already appeared. You can also ask your question in Mattermost.

Social media hashtag: #casavibi2020
Mattermost desktop client server: coms.evlbi.org
[Mattermost browser link](#)

Participants are joining from all over the world, check out this map (external link):

Getting help

During the workshop we encourage participants to look for answers themselves and ask around in their break-out room during the data processing sessions. Here are some standard places to look for answers:

- [The CASA Docs page](#) is the main go-to for information about tasks, task parameters, examples
- [The CASA Guides](#) contain several examples but can be out-dated in some places
- [CASA Knowledge base](#) contains tips and tricks from users and CASA developers
- [CASA Memo series](#) has more in-depth articles about the CASA workings
- Ask on [Mattermost](#), ensure yourself of quick response by tagging a tutor
- Ask during the plenary question session after the data processing session

After the workshop:

- To stay up to date about CASA you can subscribe to the [CASA Newsletter](#) through [this link](#)
- Questions and feedback for the CASA development team can be send to casa-feedback@nrao.edu
- You can file a report at the [NRAO Helpdesk](#) for bugs, feature requests or other problems you encounter.

Programme

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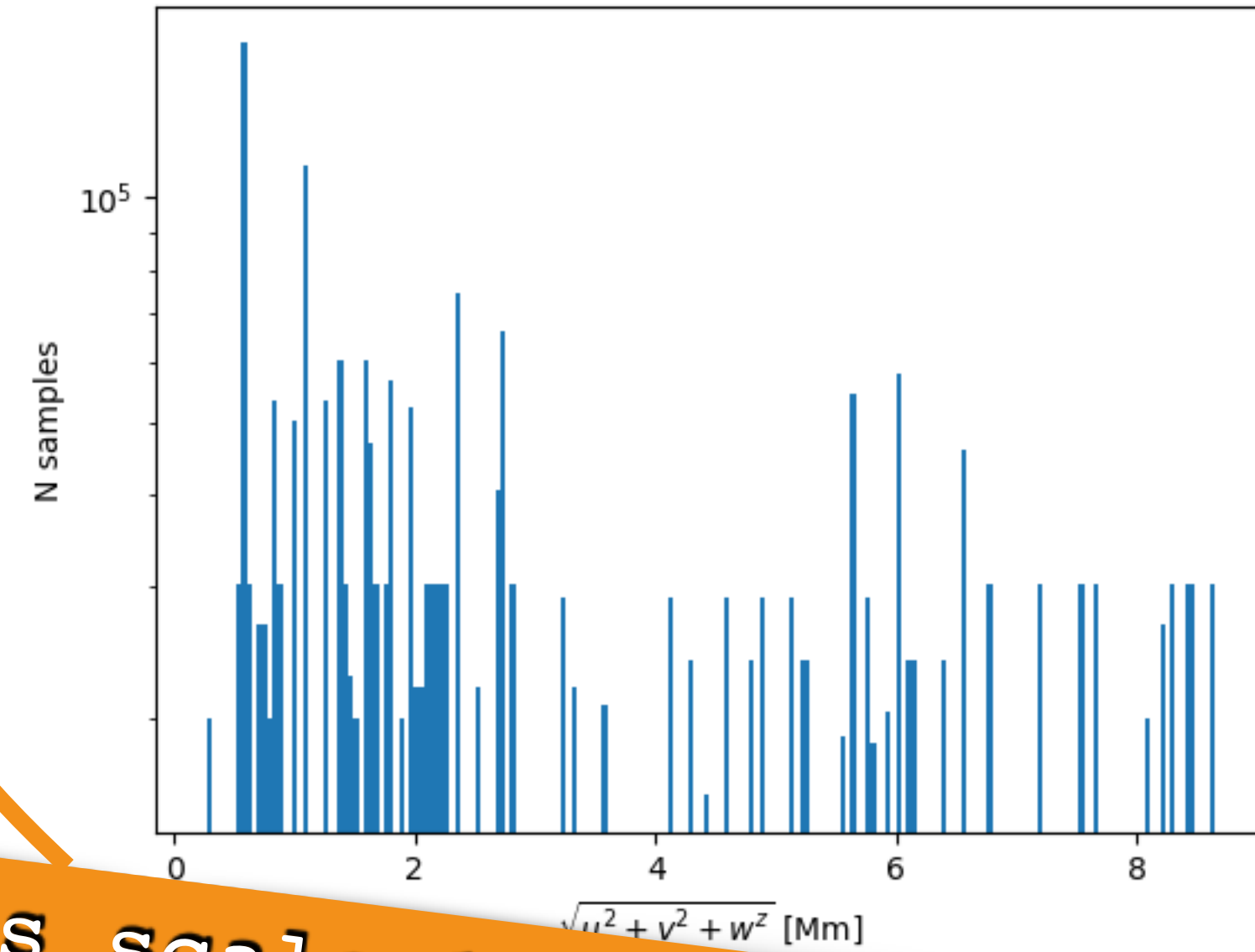
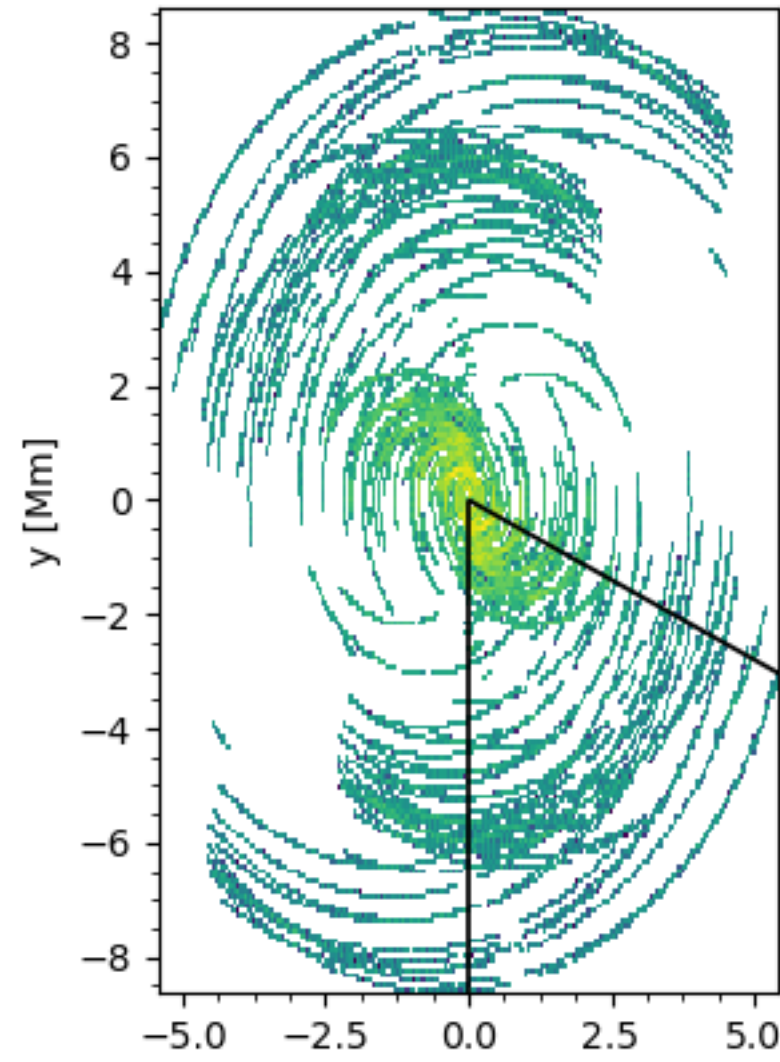
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u, v coverage

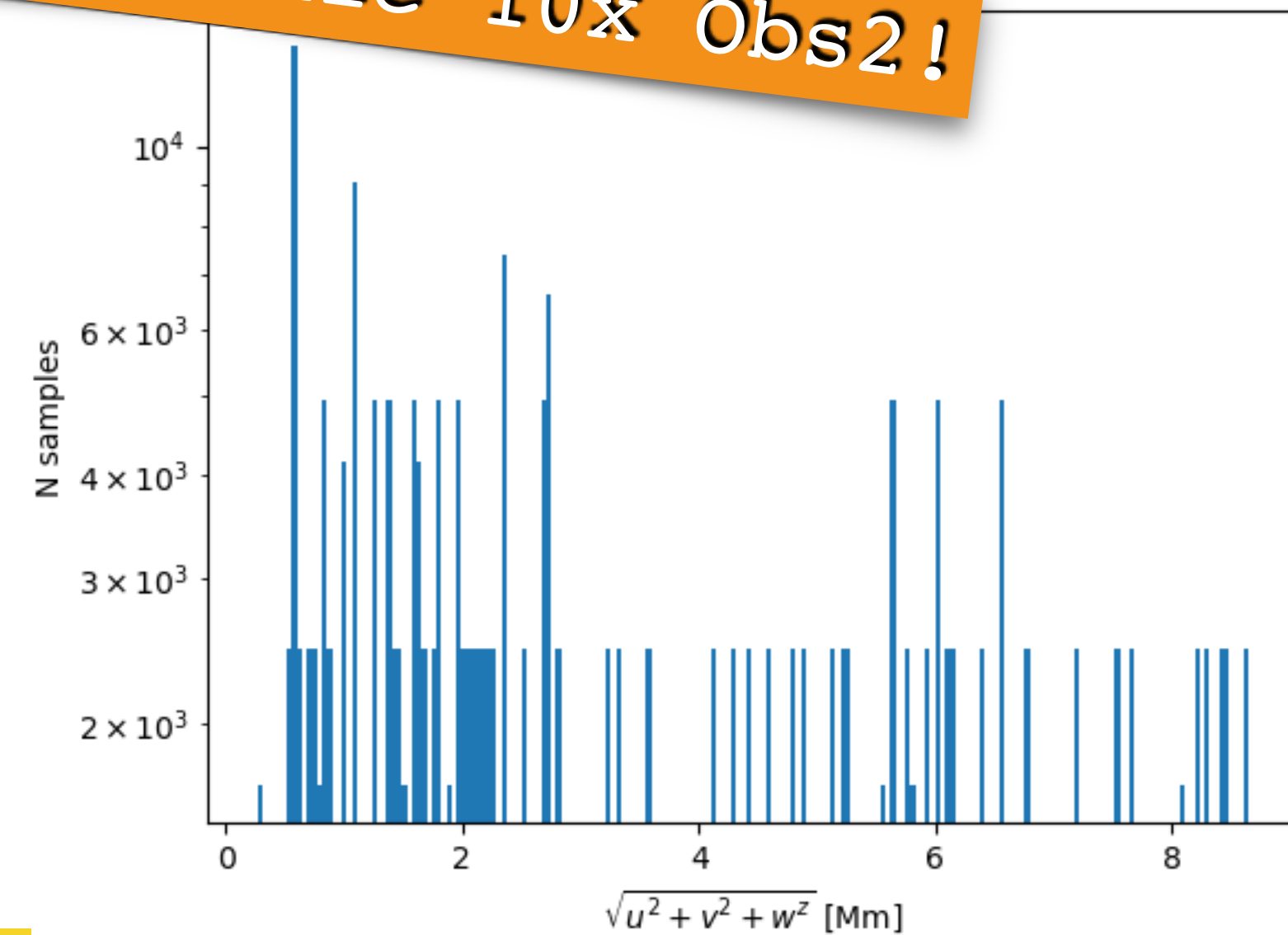
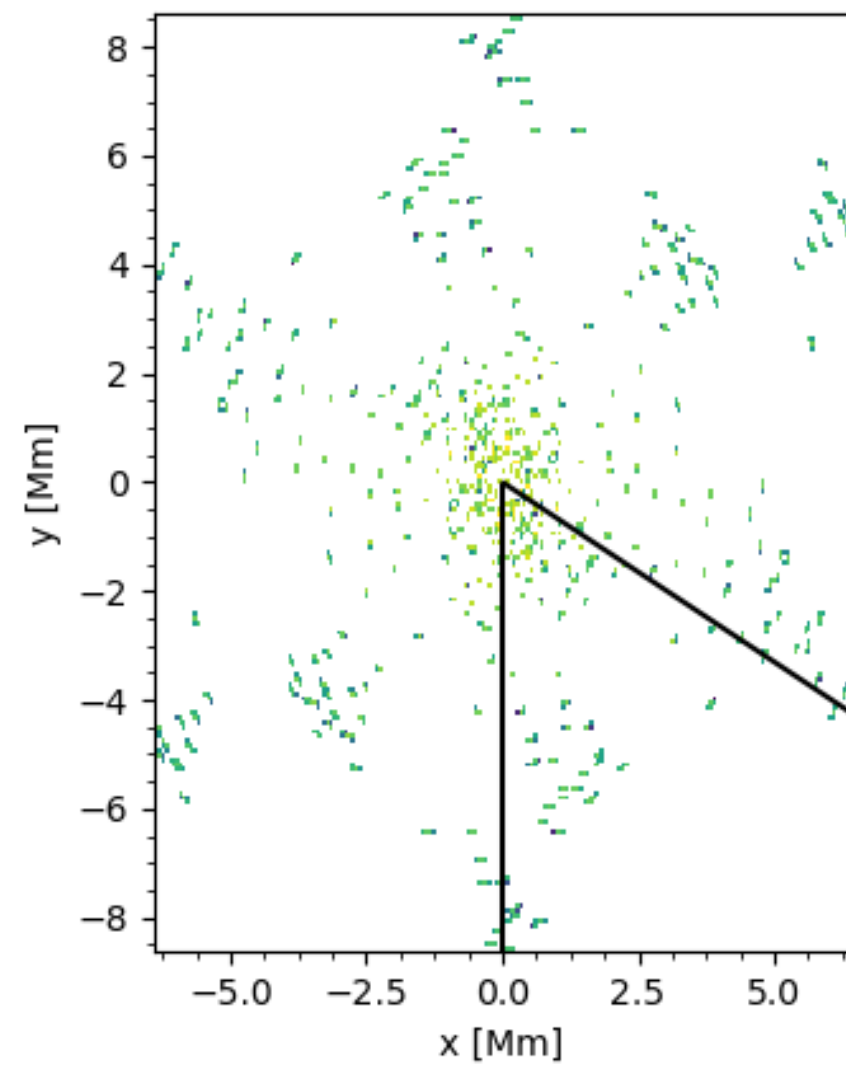
Histogram of #baselines
per u, v distance

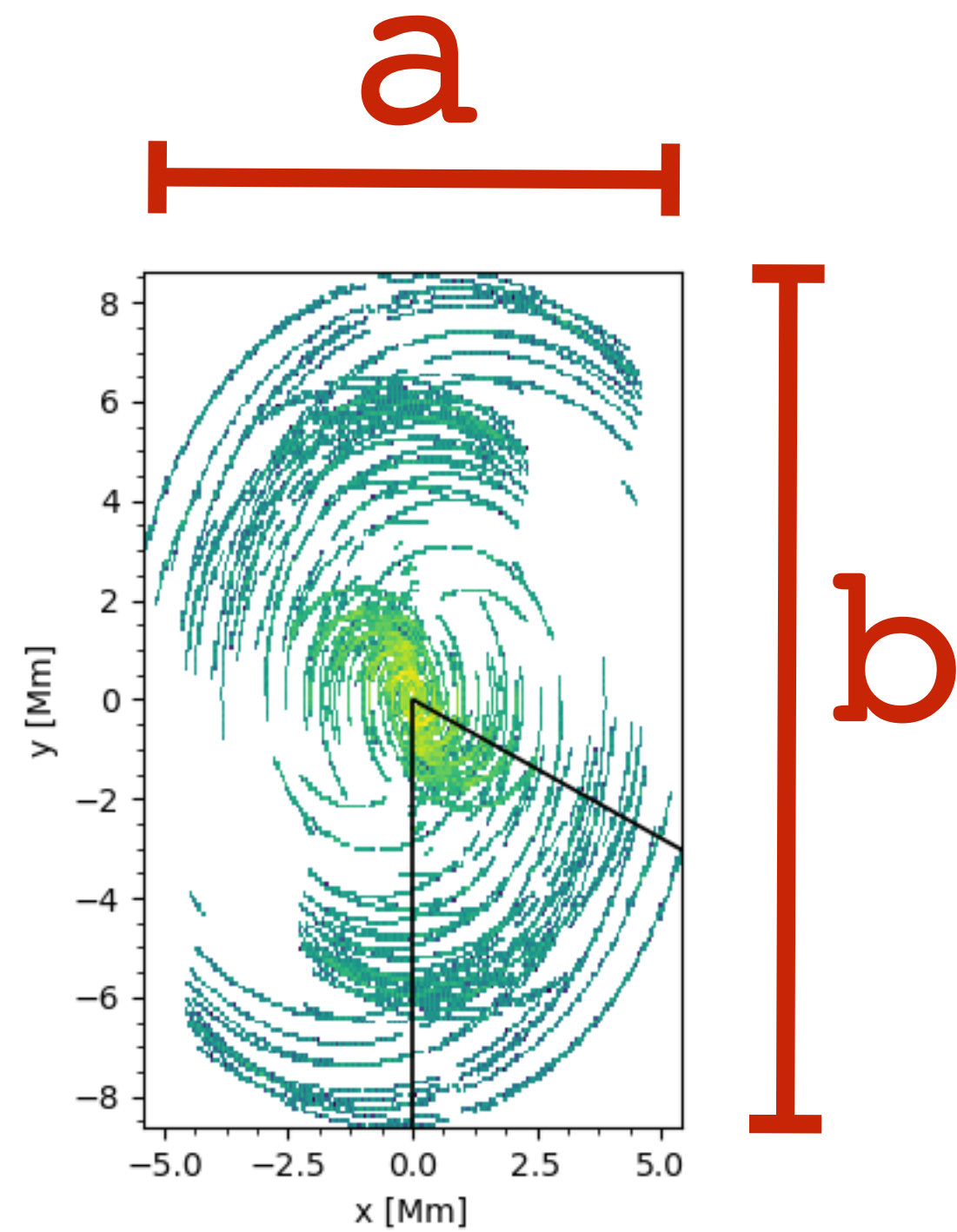
Obs 1



Note: y-axis scale 10x Obs2!

Obs 2

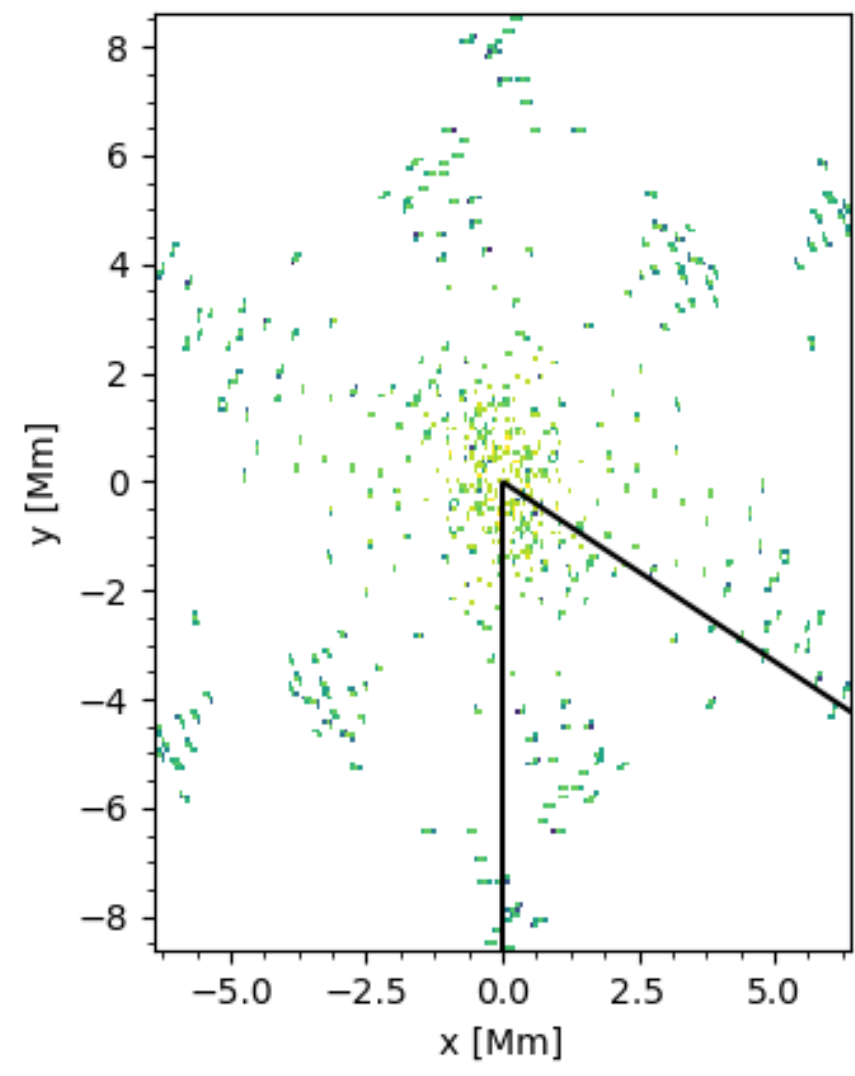


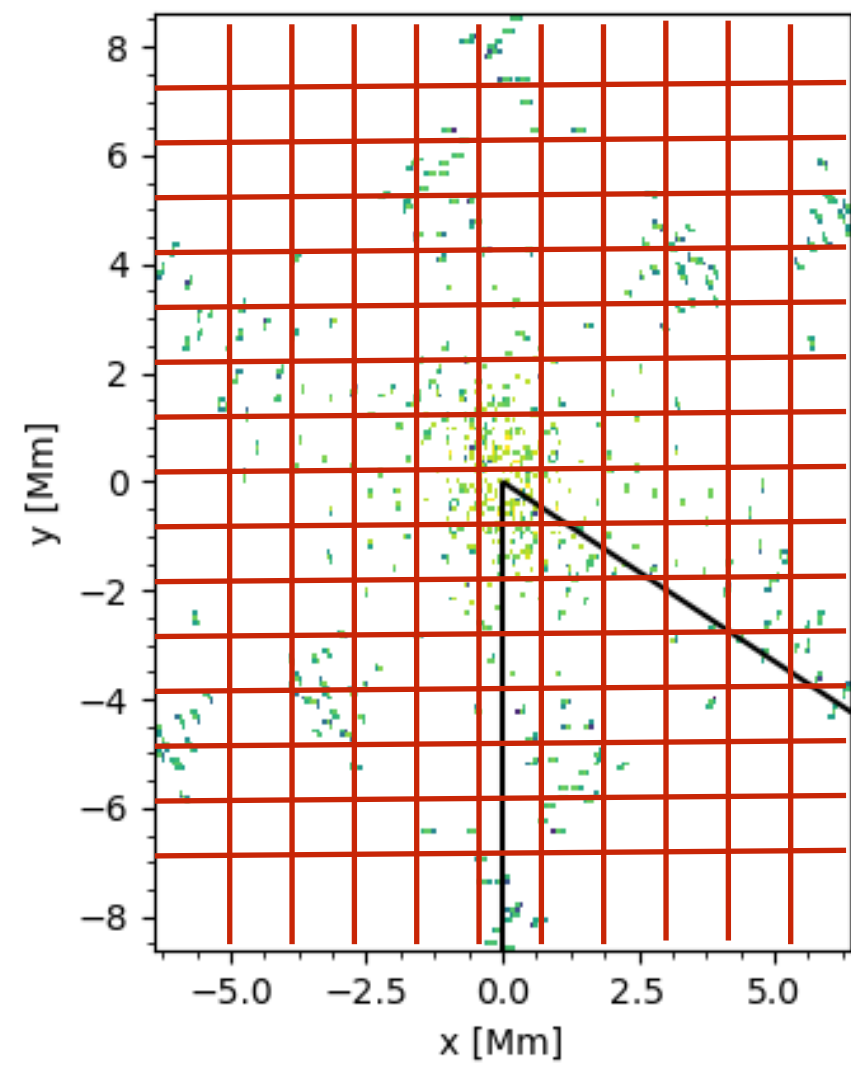


$$e = \frac{\min(a, b)}{\max(a, b)}$$

$e \sim 0 \implies$ asymmetric synthesized beam
 \implies bad for imaging

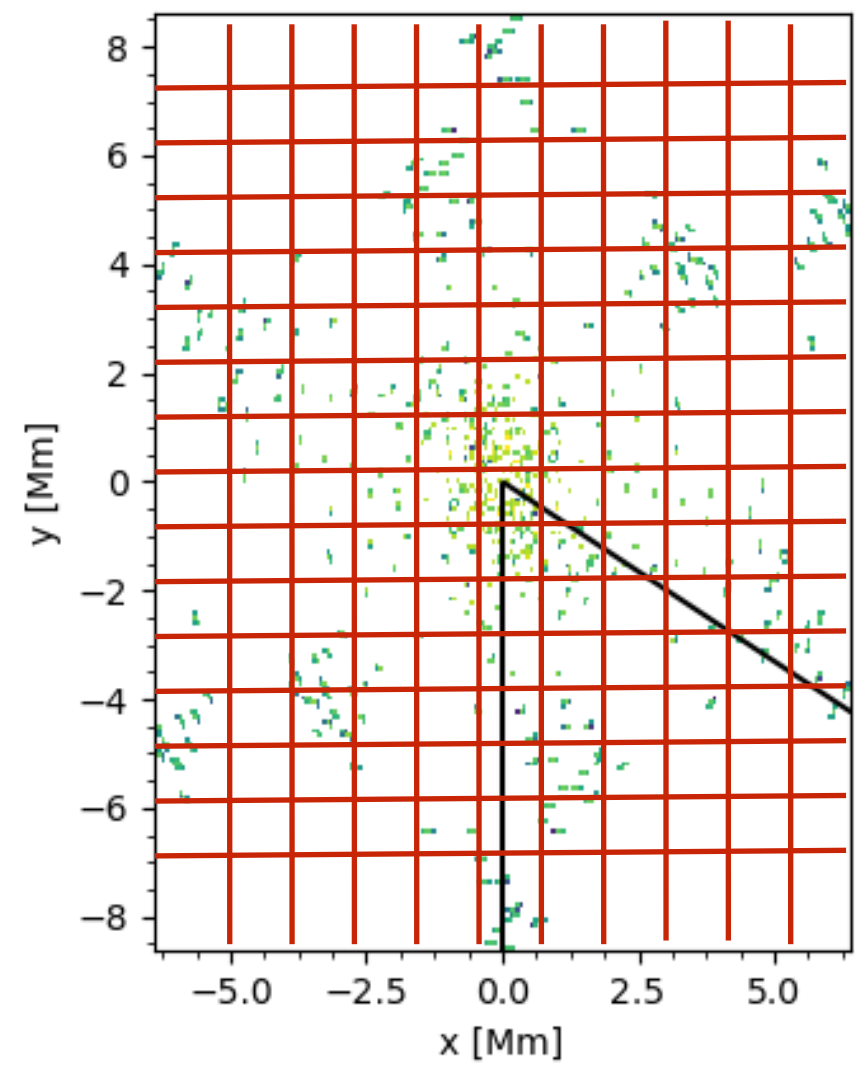
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N_v

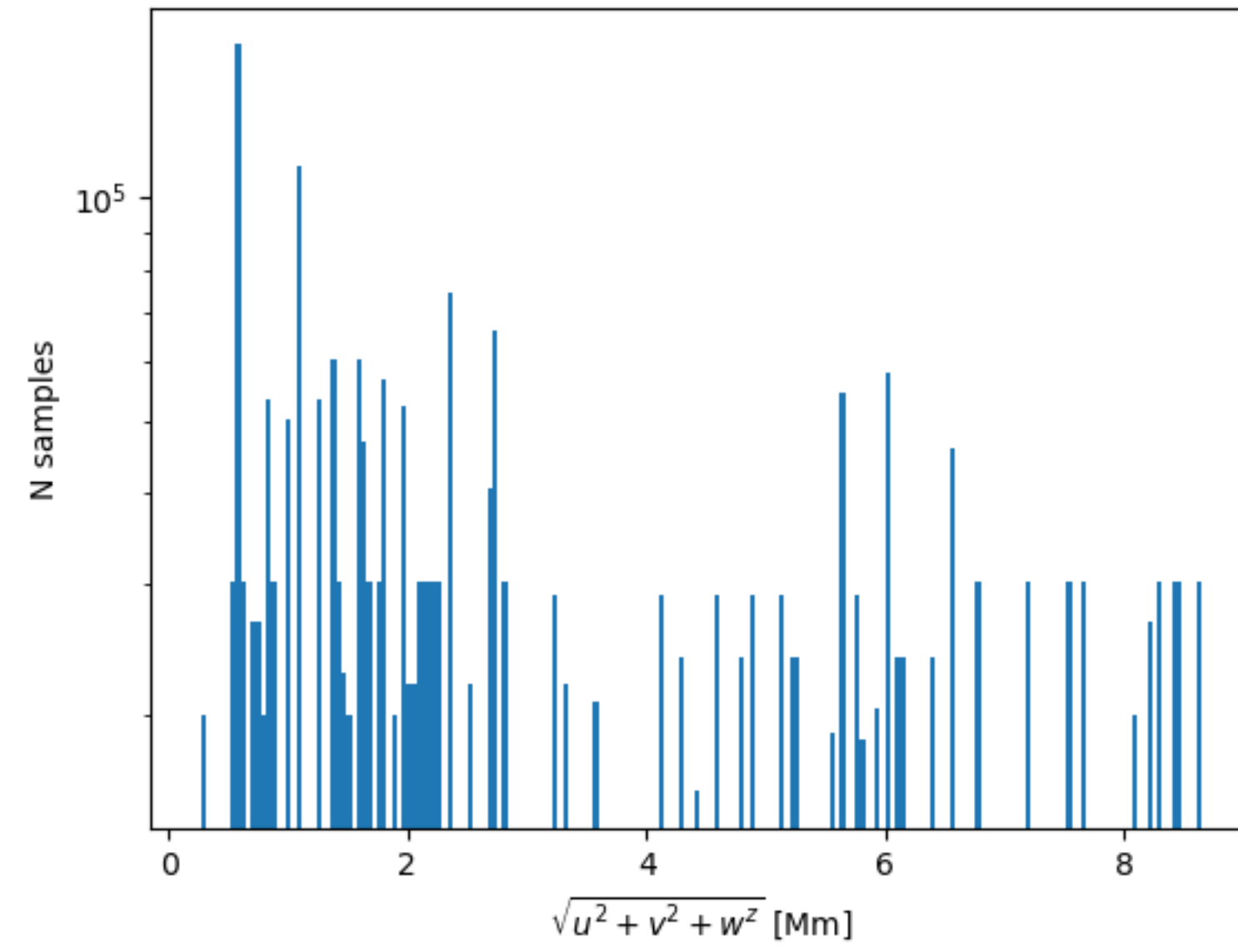
N_u

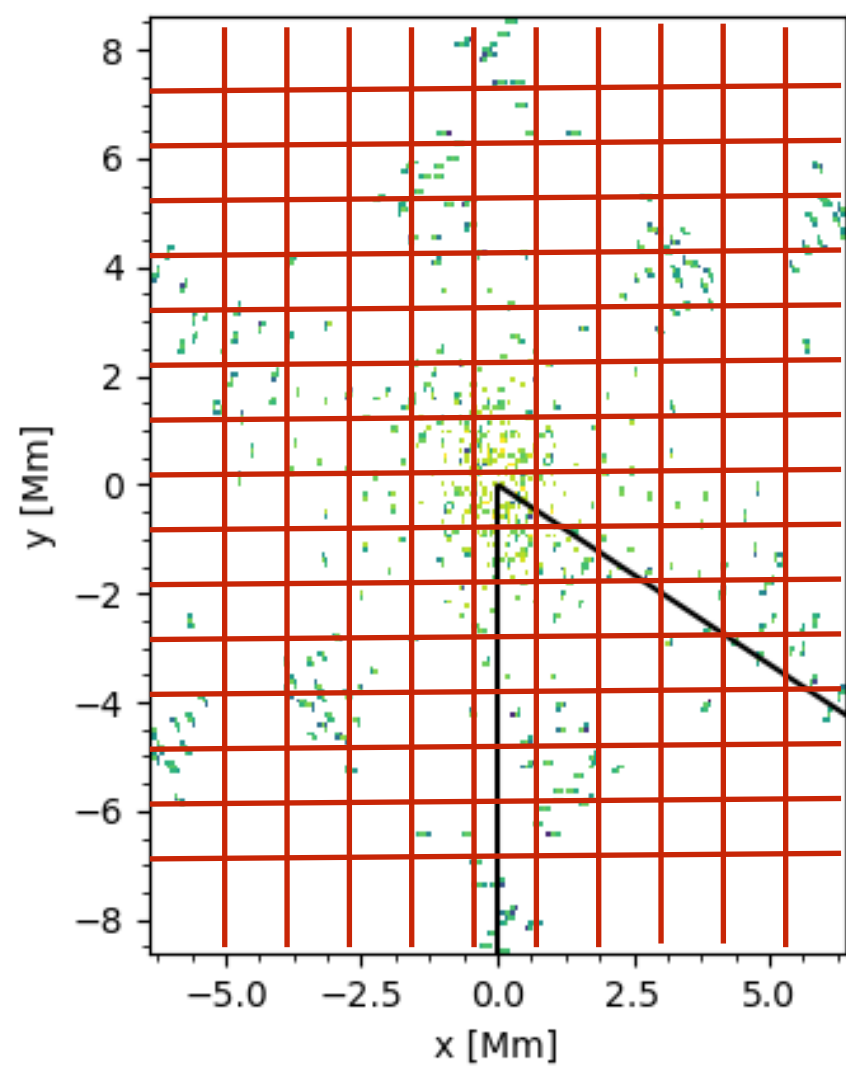


N_v

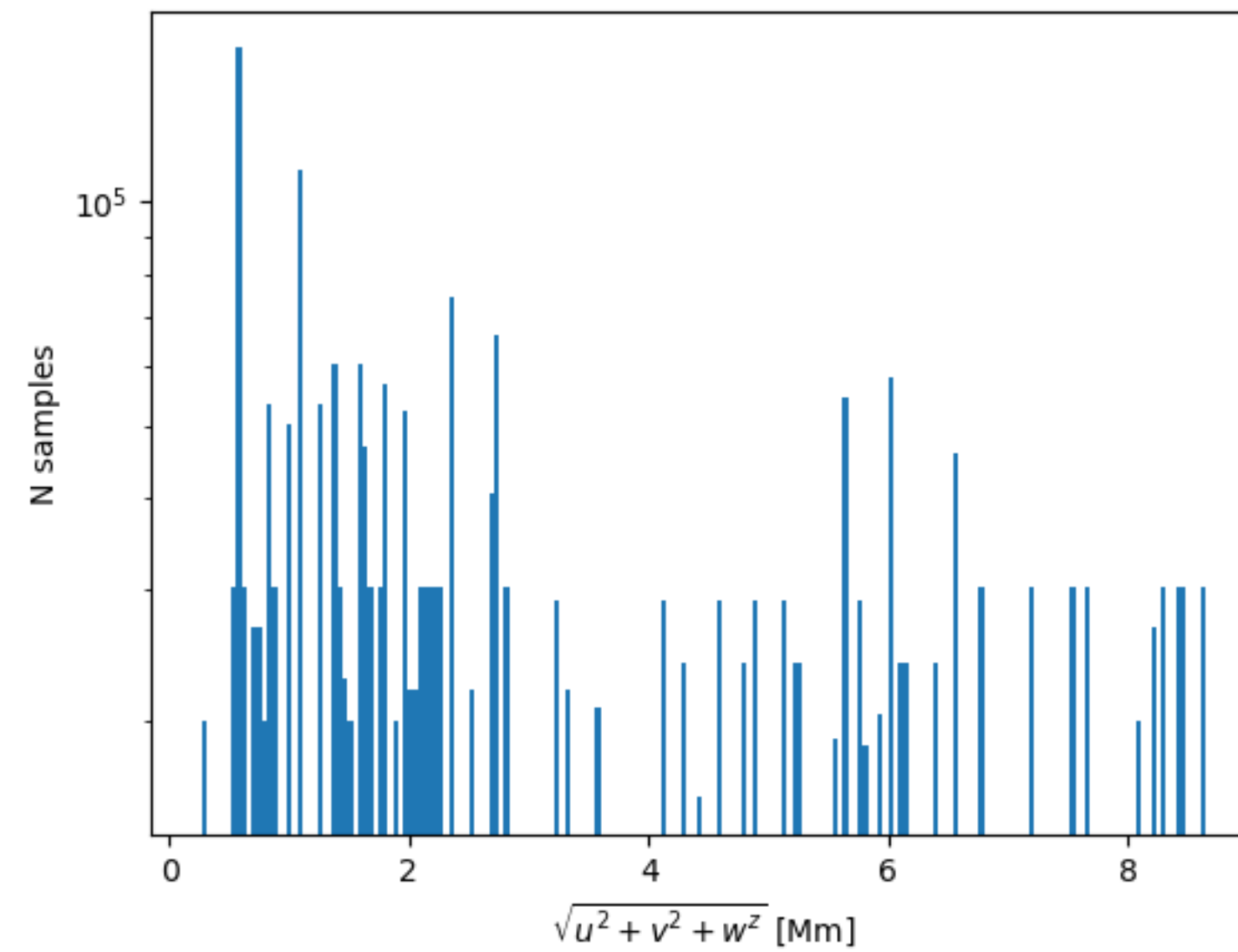


N_u





N_v



N_u

define filling factor

$$\bar{f} = \frac{\sum_{u,v} (f(u, v) \cdot dudv)}{N_u \cdot N_v}$$

large $\bar{f} \implies$ well sampled u, v plane

small $\bar{f} \implies$ "empty" u, v plane
 \implies bad for sensitivity

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Collection of scripts and small programs used by the EVN Support Scientists at JIVE during the regular data processing of EVN observations.

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marcote / VLBIPlanObs JavaScript ★ 0 0

EVN Observation Planner. Helps you to plan a VLBI observation. Given a date, source coordinates, and a VLBI array, it will tell you when the source can be observed by each antenna, the reached rms noise level and resolution, among other details.

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verkout / jive-casa C++ ★ 0 0

The JIVE specific CASA tools j2ms2, tConvert (and possibly others)

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verkout / jive-toolchain-verify Python ★ 0 0

A set of tools to verify the operation of the j2ms2 and tConvert programs

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Branch: master Compare HTTPS https://code.jive.eu/marcote/evn_supp

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|--|------------------------|------------|--|--------------|
| | Benito Marcote | 63977cd2a8 | Merge branch 'master' of https://code.jive.e... | 7 hours ago |
| | README.md | | Update README.md | 1 year ago |
| | antabfs_interpolate... | | Bug fixed (INDEX line not properly recognized) | 1 week ago |
| | antabfs_nominal.py | | Generic location for antabfs_nominal.py sefd_value.txt table | 1 year ago |
| | check_files_archive... | | Before running EVN.py checks IDI in archive | 8 months ago |
| | comment_tasav_fil... | | Bug fix: some times format recognition were broken | 1 week ago |
| | create_processing... | | create_processing_log added to post_processing | 1 year ago |
| | expname.py | | Updated python to use (through env) | 2 years ago |
| | flag_weights.py | | Adding a progress bar. | 7 months ago |
| | invert_subband.py | | Adding a progress bar. | 7 months ago |
| | multiphase_sfxc2... | | Updated python to use (through env) | 2 years ago |

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30 - Several bug fixes.
31 """
32
33 import sys
34 import copy
35 import time
36 import argparse
37 from enum import IntEnum
38 import datetime as dt
39 import numpy as np
40 from pyrap import tables as pt
41
42
43 usage = "%(prog)s [-h] [-v] [-t1 STARTTIME] [-t2 ENDTIME] <measurement set> <antenna>"
44 description="""Swap polarizations for specified antennas.
45
46 Fixes the polarizations of an antenna that have been labeled incorrectly (R or X corresponds to L or Y,
47 respectively; and L or Y to R or X). It also changes accordingly the cross-pols per each baseline
48 containing the mentioned antenna (RL,LR, or XY,YX).
49
50 polswap.py works for both types of polarizations: circular and linear pols.
51 """
52 help_msdata = 'Measurement Set containing the data to be corrected.'
53 help_antenna = 'Name of the antenna to be corrected as it appears in the MS (case insensitive).'
54 help_t1 = 'Start time of the data that need to be corrected. By default the beginning of the observatio
55         +'In Aips format: YYYY/MM/DD/hh:mm:ss or YYYY/DOY/hh:mm:ss'
56 help_t2 = 'Ending time of the data that need to be corrected. By default the ending of the observation.
57         +'In Aips format: YYYY/MM/DD/hh:mm:ss or YYYY/DOY/hh:mm:ss'
58
59 parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description=description, prog='polswap.py', usage=usage)
60 parser.add_argument('msdata', type=str, help=help_msdata)
61 parser.add_argument('antenna', type=str, help=help_antenna)
62 parser.add_argument('-t1', '--starttime', default=None, type=str, help=help_t1)
63 parser.add_argument('-t2', '--endtime', default=None, type=str, help=help_t2)
64 parser.add_argument('-v', '--version', action='version', version='%(prog)s 1.0')
65 # parser.add_argument('--verbose', default=False, action='store_true')
66 # parser.add_argument('--timing', default=False, action='store_true')
67
68
```

Thanks for
attention!