

# E-VLBI Activities in Japan

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# International eVLBI Activities(1)

- Ultra-rapid UT1 measurement by eVLBI
  - Status:
    - **Stations:** Kashima,Onasala,Tsukuba,Metsähovi
    - **Format/Protocol:** Mk5A with Tsunami/UDP data transfer with Metsähovi card  $\Leftrightarrow$ K5/VSSP32 data format
    - **Correlation:** K5 Software Correlator
    - **Results:** UT1-UTC result within 30min  
(4min. as the fastest record in Feb. 2008).
  - Plan for the next step:
    1. 24h eVLBI for geodetic VLBI (Ts,On,Ks) -> VLBI2010
    2. Regular UT1 measurement by eVLBI (Wz,Ts)
      - Wettzell – Tsukuba INT2 session
      - Mark5B + K5/VSI => (UDP transfer)=>Software correlation



**Mark5B**



**K5/VSI**



**K5/VSSP**

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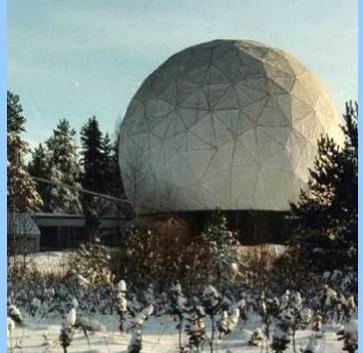
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# Project1: Ultra-rapid UT1 Stations and Network

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(Sweden)

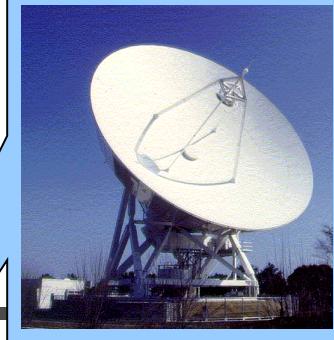


Metsahovi14  
m  
(Finland)

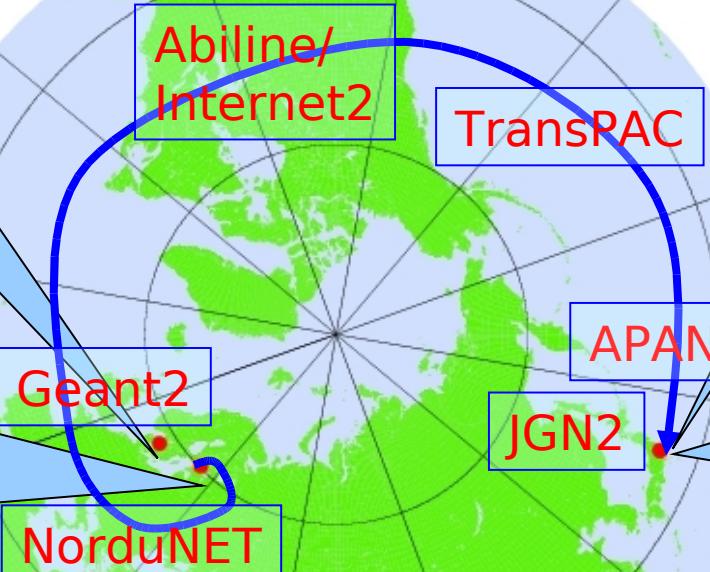


UT1 has been derived 5  
min after the session!  
(2008)

Tsukuba32  
m ( GSI )



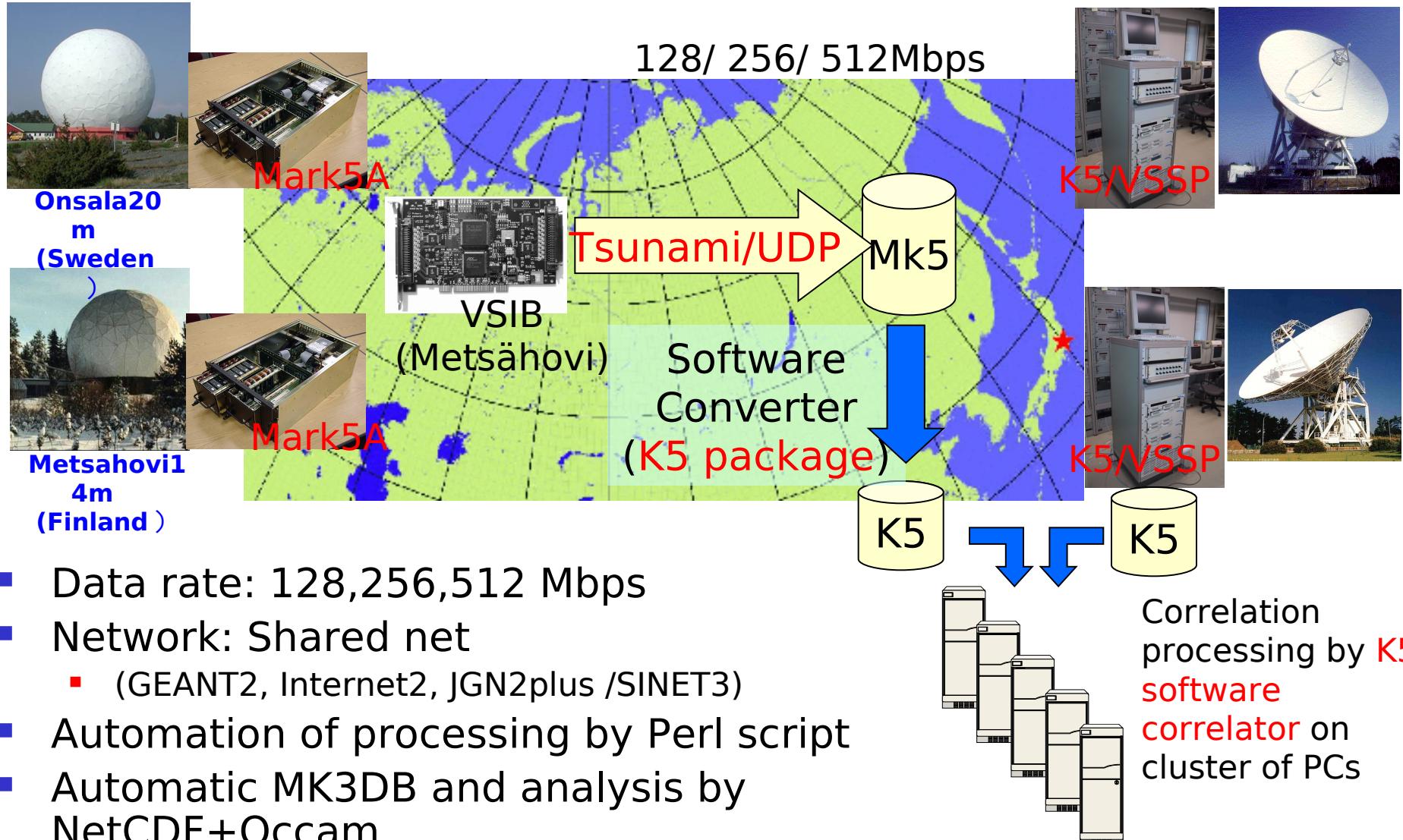
Kashima34  
m ( NICT )



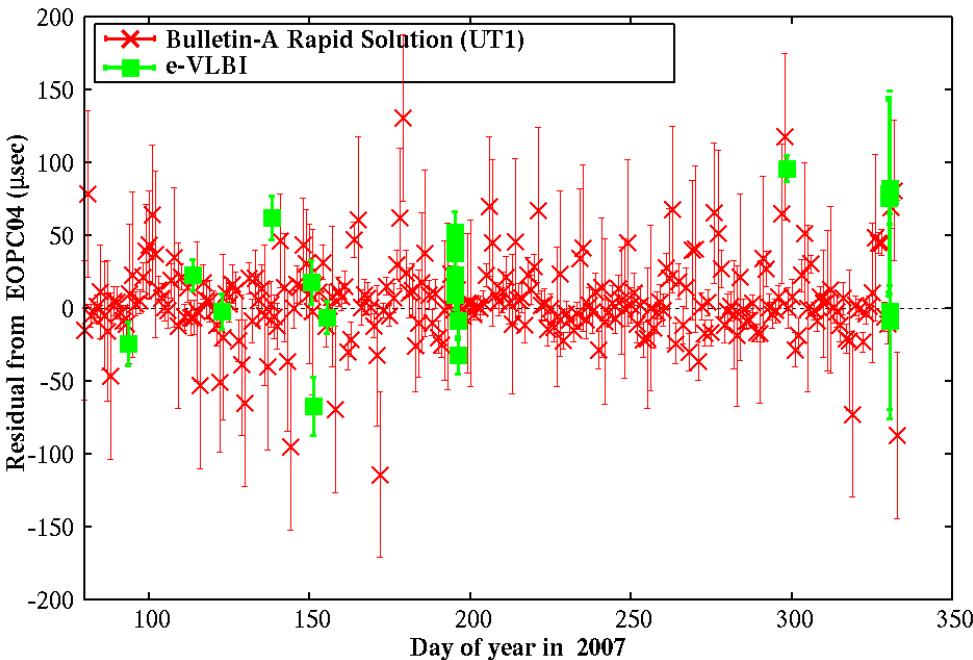
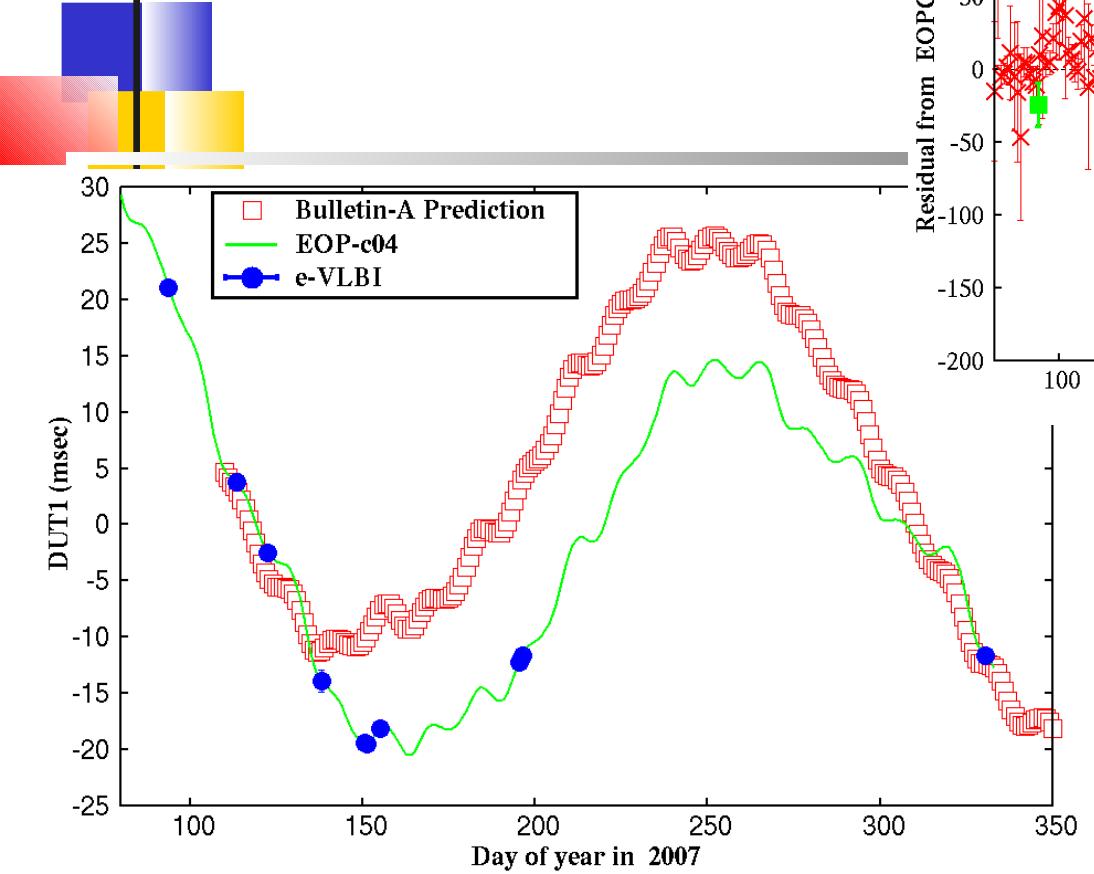
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S.Kurihara, K.Kokado(GSI)

# Project1: Ultra-rapid UT1

# DAS, Transport, Processing



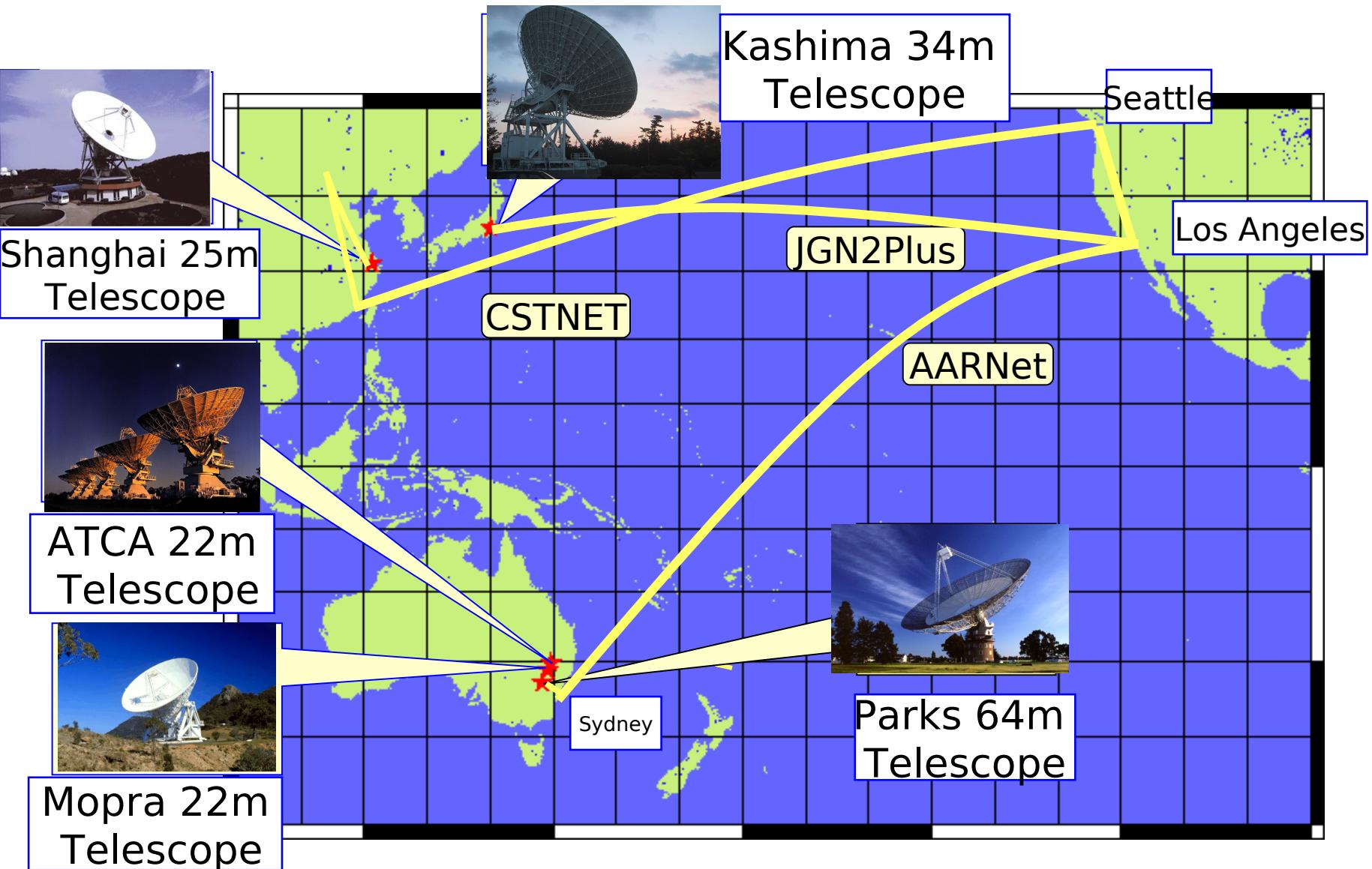
# Project 1: Ultra-rapid UT1 Comparison between Prediction(BulletinA), EOPc04, and e-VLBI



# International eVLBI Activities(2)

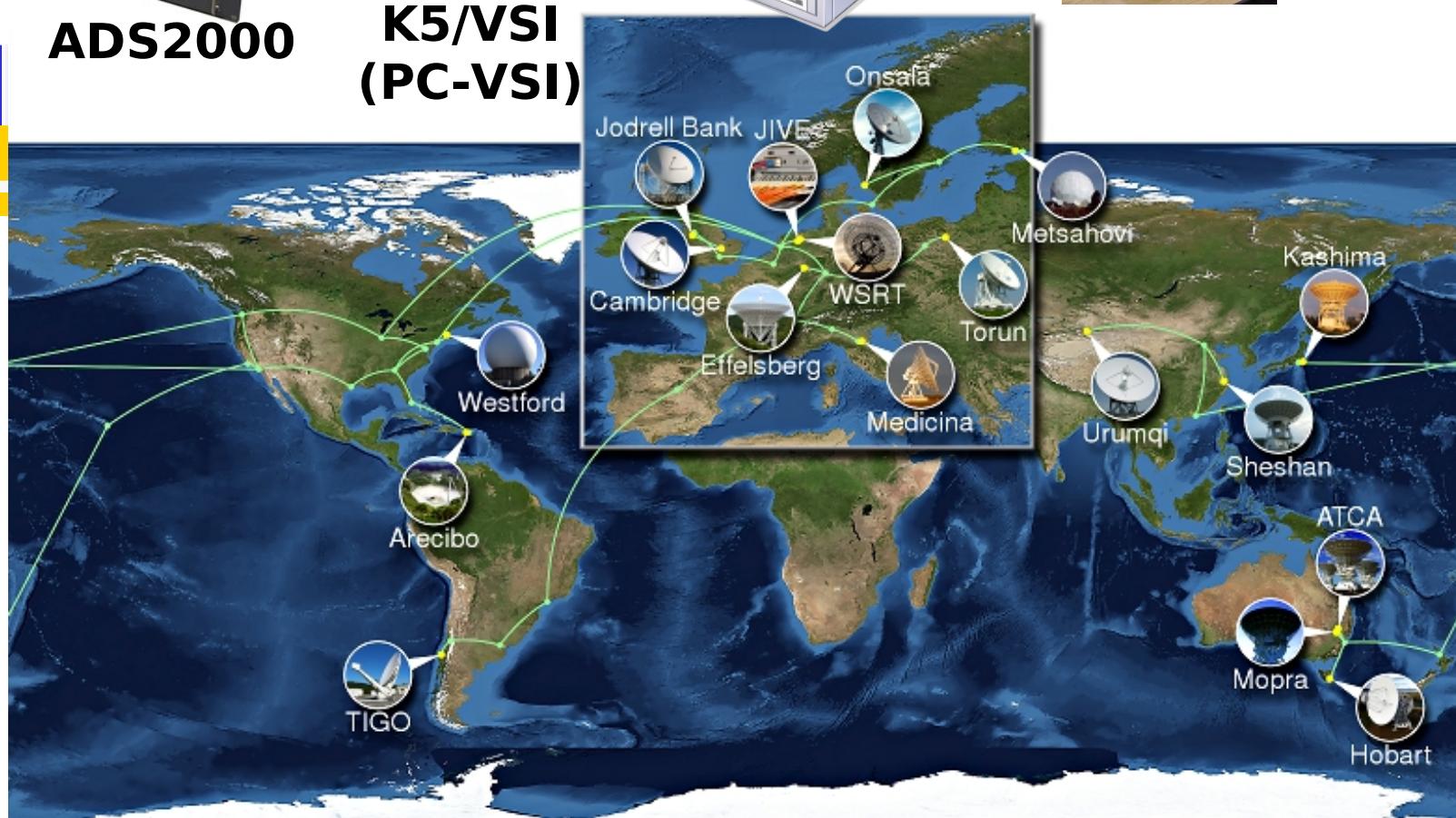
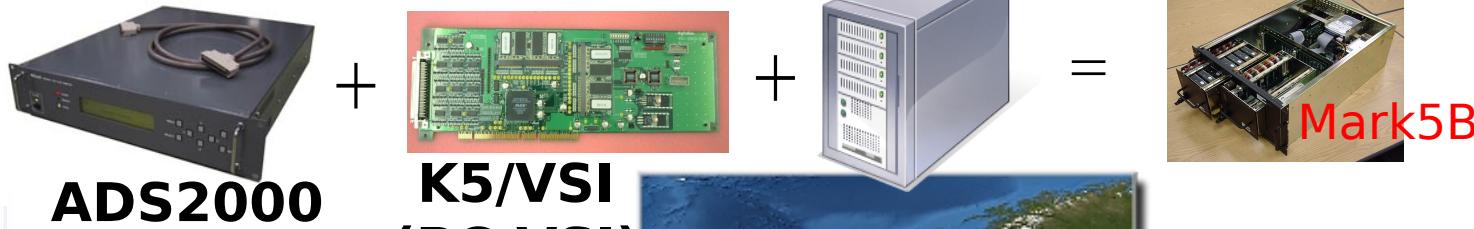
- Participations to Global eVLBI observations
  - First Realtime APT(ATNF,SHAO,ICT) (Jun. 2008)
  - IYA2009 demonstration event (Jan. 2009)
  - RG001 eVLBI session (May,June,July,2009)

# The first real-time e-APT



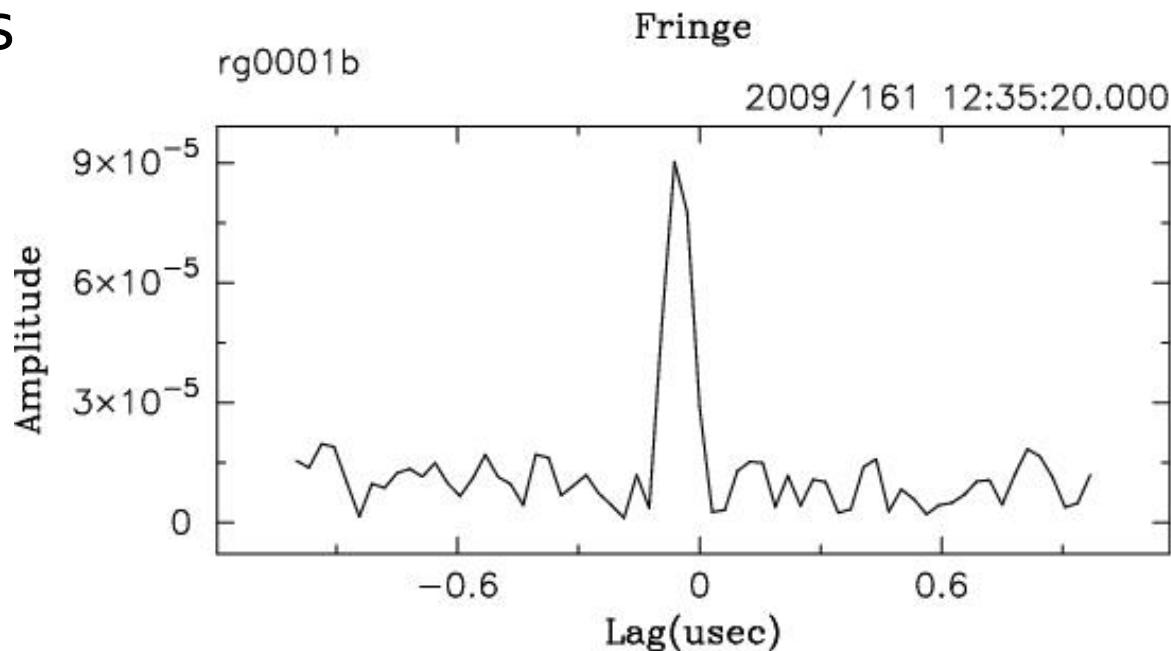
# Participation to the Global eVLBI

- Mark5B Emulator server by K5/VSI

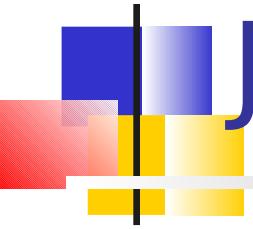


# RG001 session (May,June,July)

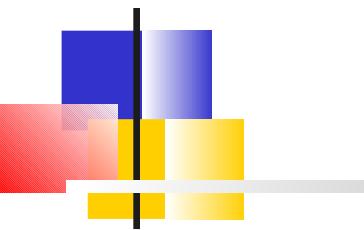
- Kashima34m has participated the first productive VLBI session, but fringe was not found for May, and June sessions. Scan No.49 was recorded at Ks-Ef in the session 10 Jun. and correlation processed by K5 Software correlator.
- Fringe was found for all channels at Clock=-32.6us



# Domestic eVLBI in Japan



# VERA(VLBI Exploration of Rado Astronomy) by NAOJ Array configuration



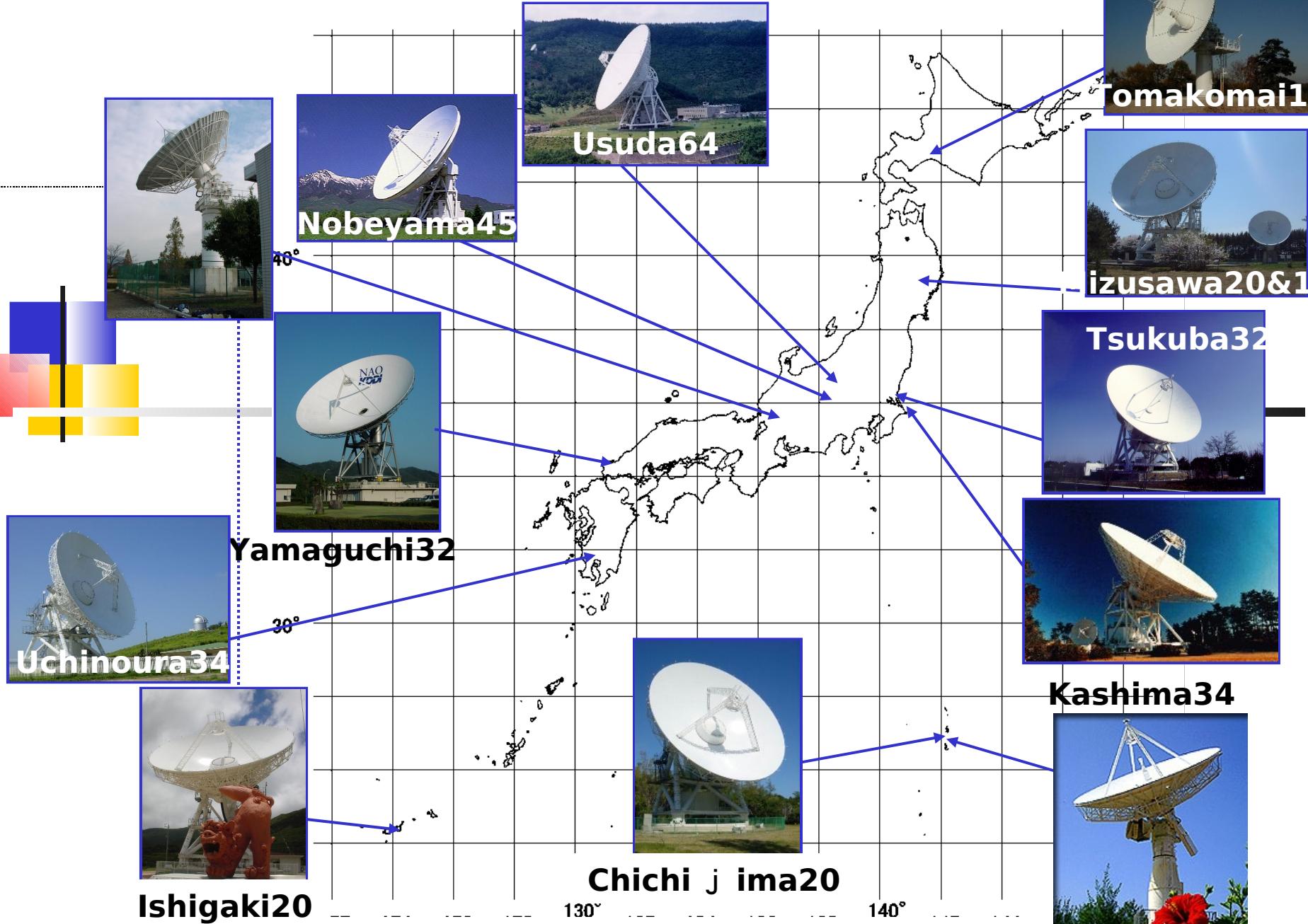
## 天体の位置測定性能

観測方法	精度	研究目標
ビッグアルゴス衛星	0.001秒角	太陽系近傍の距離測定
従来のVLBI	0.001秒角	電波座標系の構築
VERA	0.00001秒角	銀河系全域の三角測量

VERAで実現する10マイクロ秒角という性能は、これまでのVLBI観測の100倍の能力で、銀河系全体の星の位置と運動を測り、銀河系の真の姿を明らかにできます。10マイクロ秒角とは、月面上の一円玉を半周できる測定精度です。

**Observation time ; 3000 hrs/yr -> 5000 hrs/yr**

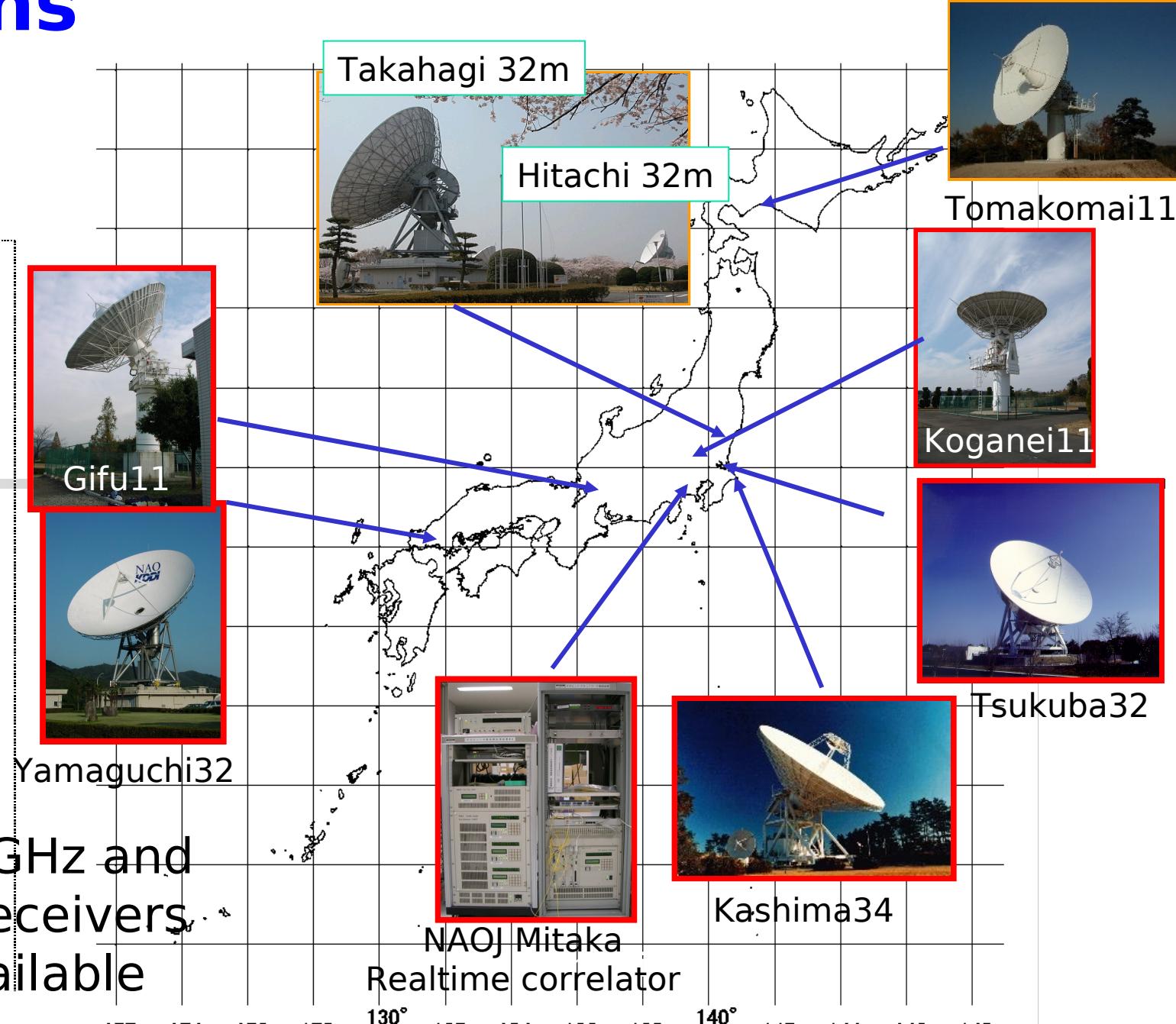
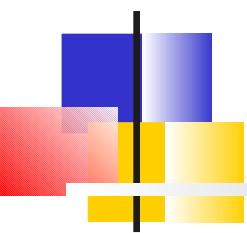
# Network



# Domestic eVLBI Network (NAOJ)

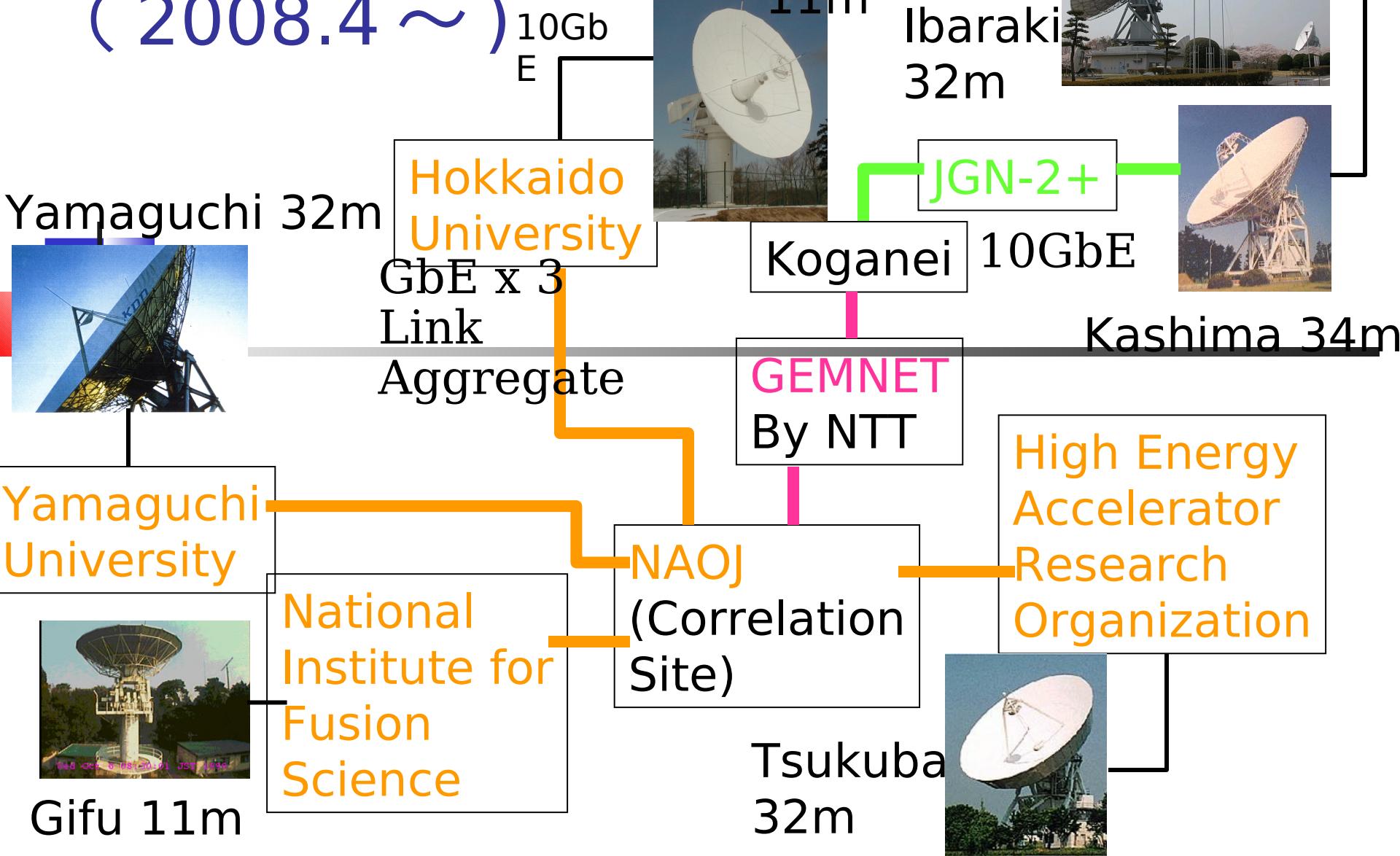
- Connecting Japanese VLBI stations
  - Currently connected
    - Kashima34, Tsukuba32, Yamaguchi32, Gifu11, Koganei11
  - Soon being connected
    - Tomakomai11 operated by Hokkaido Univ.
      - Using Link aggregation in SINET3 by using three 1Gbit Ethernet lines to transfer 2048Mbps data to Mitaka.
    - Takahagi32, Hitachi32 operated by Ibaraki Univ.
      - NAOJ (Ibaraki Univ) received two 32m diameter antennas from KDDI, which is Japanese communication carrier company. Now under refurbishing for Radio telescope.

# Stations



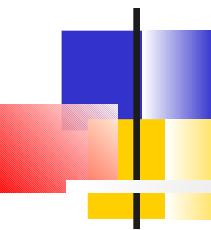
Mostly 8GHz and  
22GHz receivers  
are available

# Japanese eVLBI Array ( 2008.4 ~ )

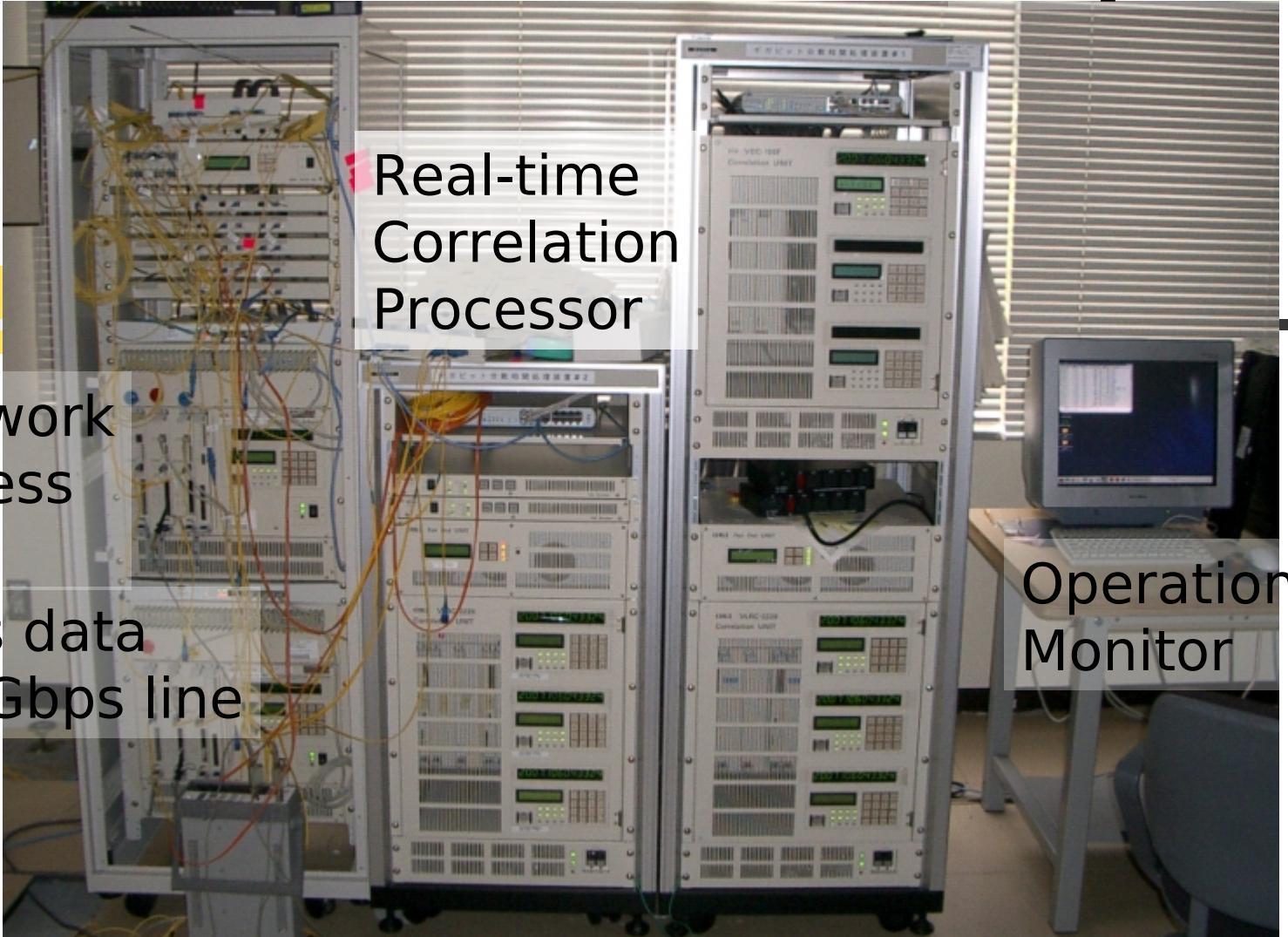


# Mitaka Center, NAOJ

4-station  
6-baseline  
2-Gbps real-time



Network  
Access  
Unit  
  
2-Gbps data  
on 2.5Gbps line



Real-time  
Correlation  
Processor

Operation  
Monitor

## E-VLBI Projct(2)

# Success of 8Gbps real-time VLBI



Koganei 11m  
Headquater NICT,  
Tokyo

Kashima 34m  
NICT,Kashima



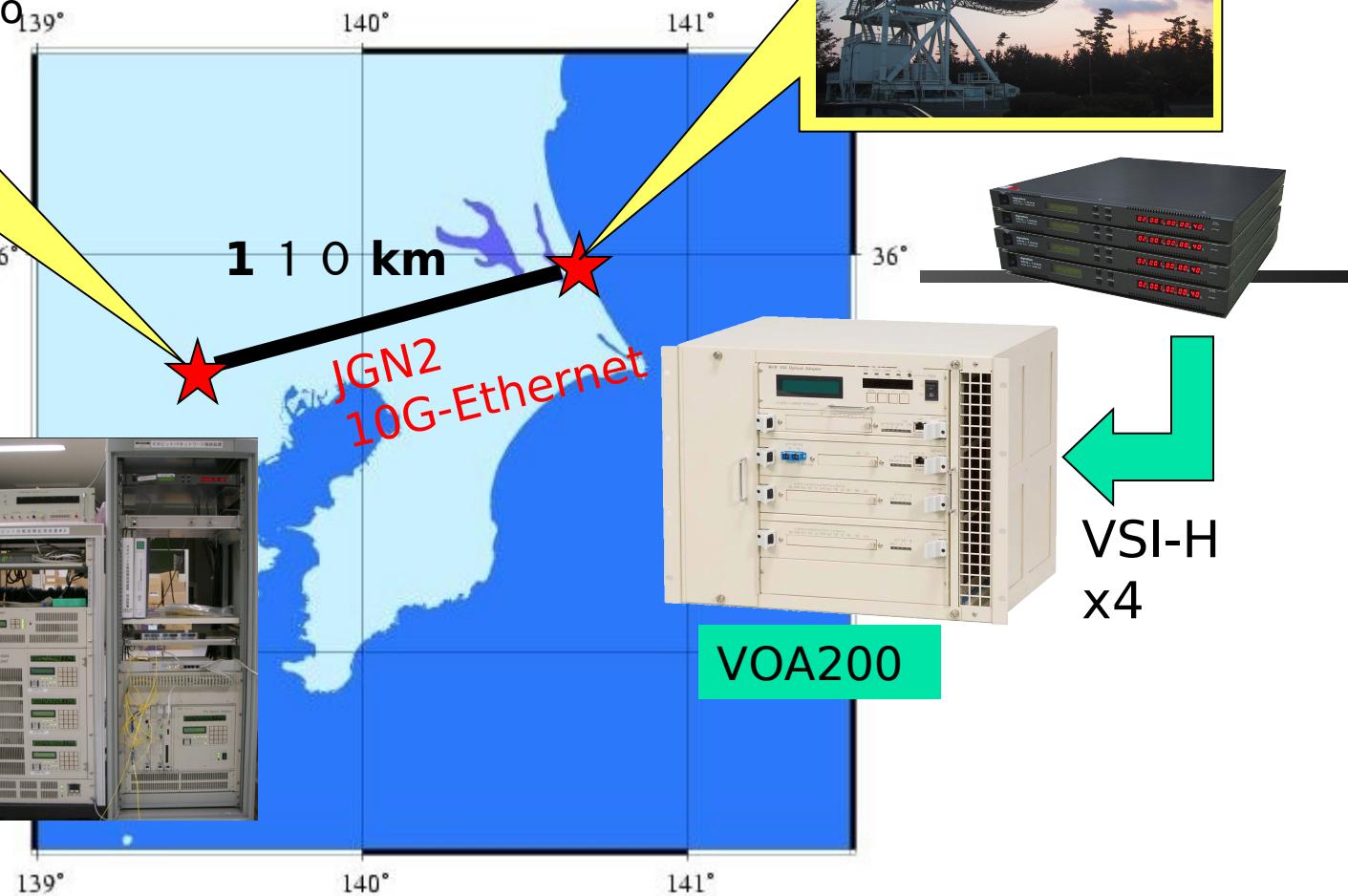
VSI-H  
x4



VOA200



JGN2  
10G-Ethernet  
x4



# Technology Development

- Japanese K5 VLBI system
  - Two types of K5: K5/VSSP, K5/VSI
  - Digital BBC sampler ADS3000+
- Software Correlator
  - K5 Software Correlator(T.Kondo)
    - Geodesy, etc..
  - Fast correlator GICO3 (M.Kimura)
    - Implementation to VERA project.

# K5-System (1) : K5/VSSP

	<b>K5/VSSP</b>	<b>K5/VSSP32</b>
Sampling Speed	40, 100, 200, 500kHz, 1, 2, 4, 8, 16 MHz	40, 100, 200, 500kHz, 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64MHz,
Sampling Bits	1, 2, 4, 8	1, 2, 4, 8
No. Channels	1 or 4 (16 with 4 PCs)	1 or 4 (16 with 4 PCs)
Max. Data Rate	128 Mbps (512 Mbps with 4	256 Mbps (1024Mbps with
Interface	PCI (Full Height)	USB2.0

VSSP = Versatile Scientific Sampling Processor



K5/VSSP



K5/VSSP32

# K5 System (2) : K5/VSI

	<b>ADS1000</b>	<b>ADS2000</b>	<b>ADS3000</b>	<b>ADS3000Plus</b>
Sampling Speed	1024Msps	64Msps	2048Msps	~4 Gbps
Sampling Bits	1 bit or 2 bits	1 bit or 2 bits	8 bits	2/4/8 bit
No. of Input	1	16	1	4
No. Channels	1	16	Programmabl	Programmable
Max. Data Rate	2048Mbps	2048Mbps	4096Mbps	8192Mbps
Interface	VSI-H (2 ports)	VSI-H (2 ports)	VSI-H (2 ports)	VSI-H (4 ports)



ADS1000



ADS2000



ADS3000



ADS3000Plus

# K5 System

ADS1000

(1024Msample/sec 1ch 1 or 2bits)



ADS2000

(64Msample/ch·sec, 16ch, 1 or 2bits)

Mark5B sampler

(64Msample/ch·sec, 16ch, 1 or 2bits)



ADS3000

(2048Msample/sec 1ch 8bits + FPGA)



PC-VSI Board  
(~2048Mbps)



VSI-H

Mark5/VSSP32 Unit  
(~32Msample/ch·sec, ~4ch, ~8bits)



VSI-H



VSI-H

Correlator  
other DAS

Internet

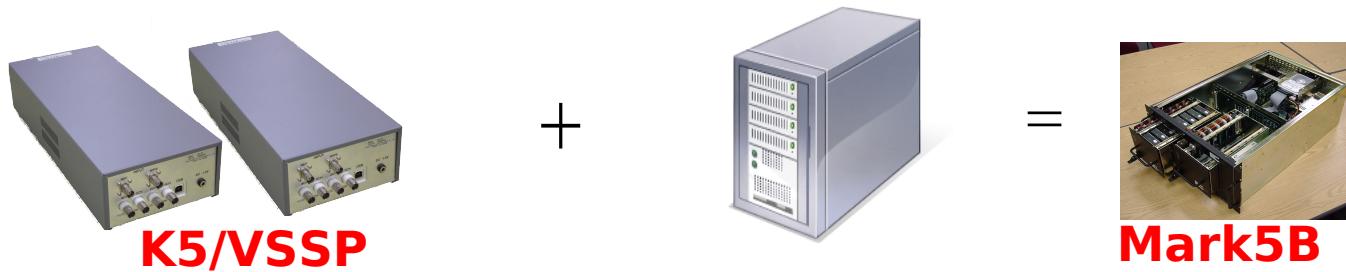
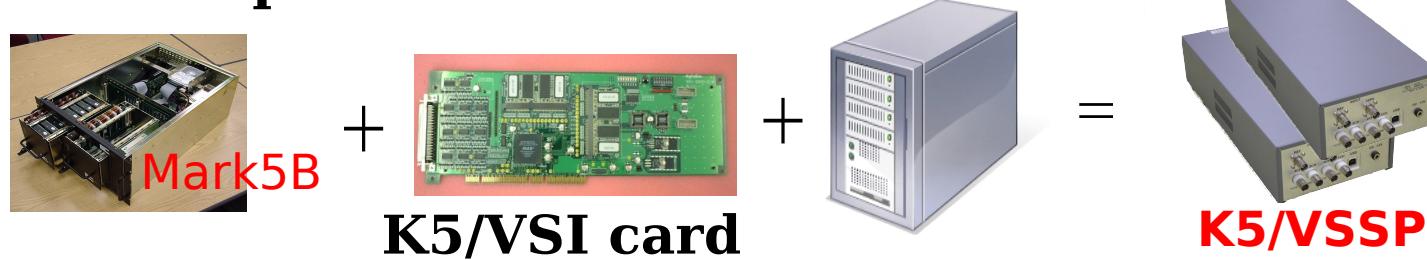


PC : Data Acquisition  
Correlation

# eVLBI is a chance to make all DAS compatible.



**Sampler with K5/VSI card  
VSI-H output**



- I am going to make our K5 system compatible with Mk5 and VDIF. That will enhance mutual collaboration and boost the activities both in geodesy and Astronomy.

# ADS3000 plus under development

- Dual Channel sampler
  - + For S/X observation
- DBBC Function
- VSI-H Compliant

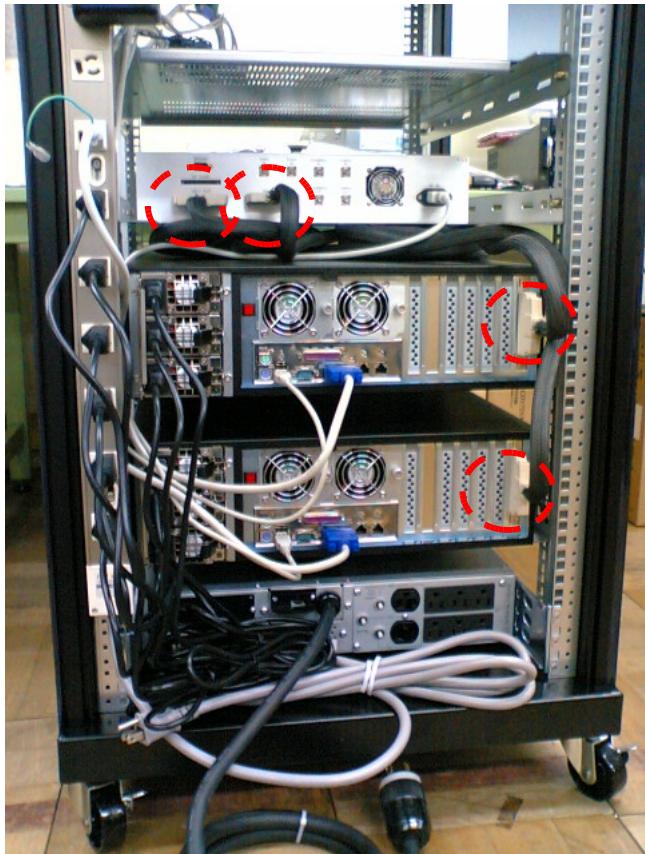
Sampling Mode



Mode	Total Rate/ch	Sample	Quantization	Clock (MHz)
A	1Gbps	(Msps) 128	8bit	32
B	2Gbps	1024	2bit	32
C	2Gbps	512	4bit	32
D	4Gbps	2048	2bit	64
E	4Gbps	1024	4bit	64
F	4Gbps	512	8bit	64



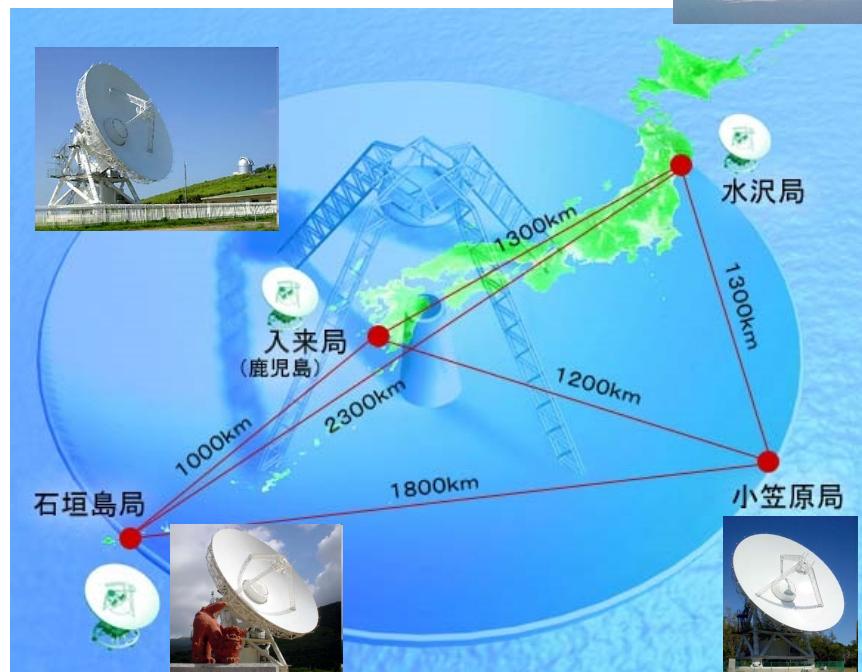
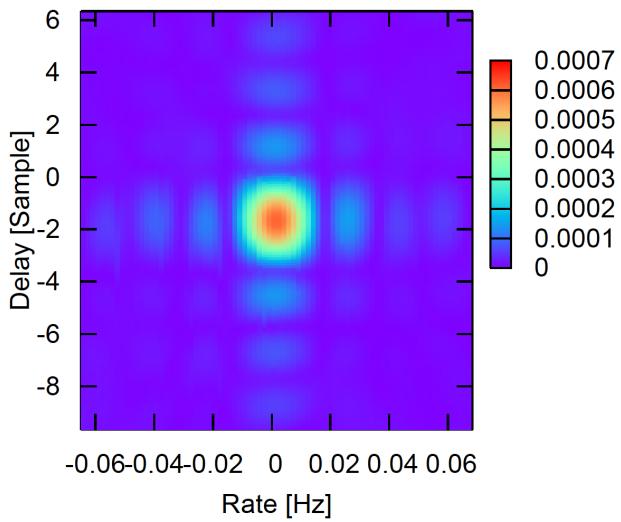
# ADS3000 + PC-VSI Recorder



4096Mbps recording for 17 hours

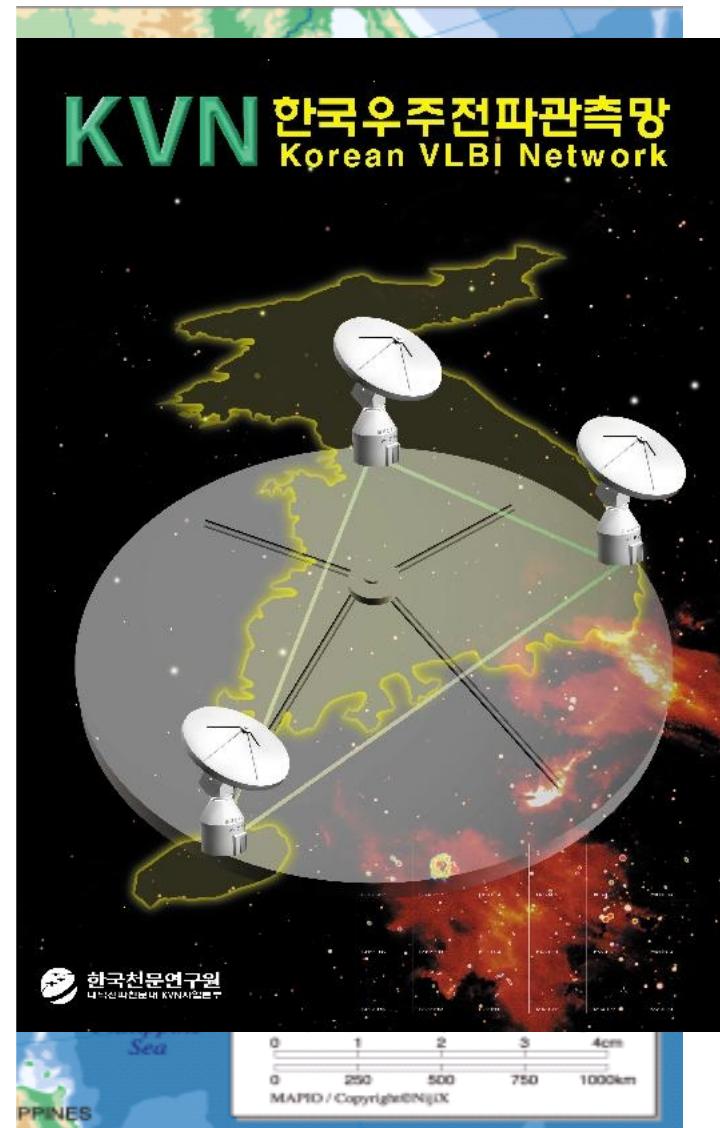
# Software Correlator(GICO3) for VERA(NAOJ)

- NICT has developed a software correlator system for VERA project under a contract with NAOJ.
- The system is capable to process  $512\text{Msps/station} \times 5 = 2.5\text{Gspss}$  in real time.
- Multi-beam (VERA specific) and cross polarization correlations are supported.



# Prospect: KVN-JPN⇒EAVN

- Korean VLBI Network(KVN) is starting up.
- Korea-Japan Joint VLBI Correlator (KJJVC) project is running (KASI-NAOJ).  
16stations data processing capability is supposed. 1



# East VLBI Network array



A large, dark grey satellite dish antenna is mounted on a tall, light-colored metal tower. The dish is angled upwards towards the right. The background is a dramatic sunset or sunrise sky with orange, pink, and purple clouds. In the foreground, there are silhouettes of trees and utility poles.

Thank you for attention!