e-VLBI developments with the K5 VLBI system

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#### e-VLBI with the K5 system

Flexible combination of component units

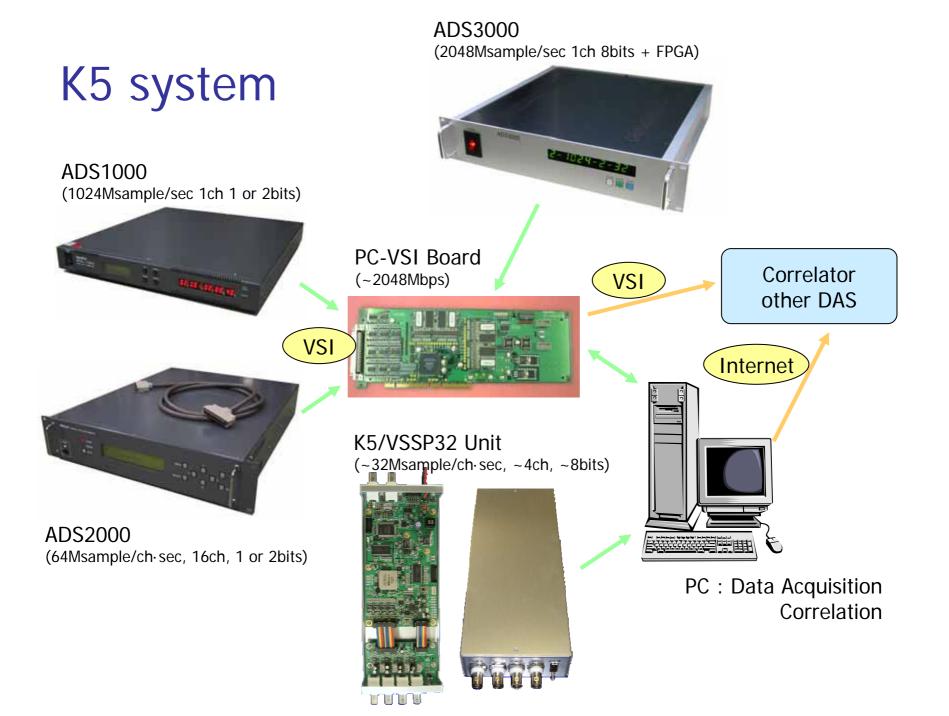
- Supports variety of observation modes
  - 40ksps~2048Msps, 1bit~8bits/sample, 1ch~16ch~
- Scalable, extensible, and sustainable system
- Maintain and promote compatibility and connectivity by adopting various standards
  - VSI-H, VSI-S, VSI-E, file naming convention
- Being developed to realize global e-VLBI
  - near real-time VLBI : already in practice for IVS sessions ~ data transfer, parallel correlation processing
  - real-time VLBI : IP, VSI-E



#### ADS1000 (1024Msample/sec 1ch 1 or 2bits)

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PC : Data Acquisition Correlation



#### Recent developments of the K5 system

- USB2.0 version of K5/VSSP = K5/VSSP32
  - up to 64Msps sampling each channel
  - supports up to 1024Mbps with 16 channels
  - no need to have PCI extension bay
- VSI-S implementation to K5/VSI system
  - succeeded to control the unit from fs9 by developing VSI-S command interpreter program modules (N. Takahashi at Yamaguchi Univ.)

## Concept of the K5 System

	K3	K4	К5
Data Recorders	Magnetic Tapes Longitudinal Recorders	Magnetic Tapes Rotary Head Recorders	Hard Disks
e-VLBI	Telephone Line	ATM	IP
Correlators	Hardware	Hardware	Software
	1983~	1990~	2002~
	M96 Recorder, K3 Formatter, K3 VC, K3 Correlator	DIR-1000, -L -M, DFC1100, DFC2100, K4 VC (Type-1, 2), TDS784, ADS1000, GBR1000, GBR2000D, K4 Correlator, KSP Correlators, GICO, GICO2	K5/VSSP, K5/VSSP32, K5/VSI, ADS1000, ADS2000, ADS3000, Software Correlatos (cor, fx_cor, GICO3)

## K5 Family : Selection of Samplers (1)

	K5/VSSP	ADS1000	ADS2000
Sampling Speed	40, 100, 200, 500kHz, 1, 2, 4, 8, 16MHz,	1024MHz	64MHz
Sampling Bits	1, 2, 4, 8	1, 2	1, 2
No. Channels	1, 4, 16 (with 4PCs)	1	16
Max. Data Rate	512Mbps (with 4PCs)	2048Mbps	2048Mbps



## K5 Family : Selection of Samplers (2)

	K5/VSSP32	ADS3000
Sampling Speed	40, 100, 200, 500kHz, 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64MHz,	2048MHz
Sampling Bits	1, 2, 4, 8	8
No. Channels	1, 4, 16 (with 4PCs)	Programmable with FPGA
Max. Data Rate	1024Mbps (with 4PCs)	2048Mbps

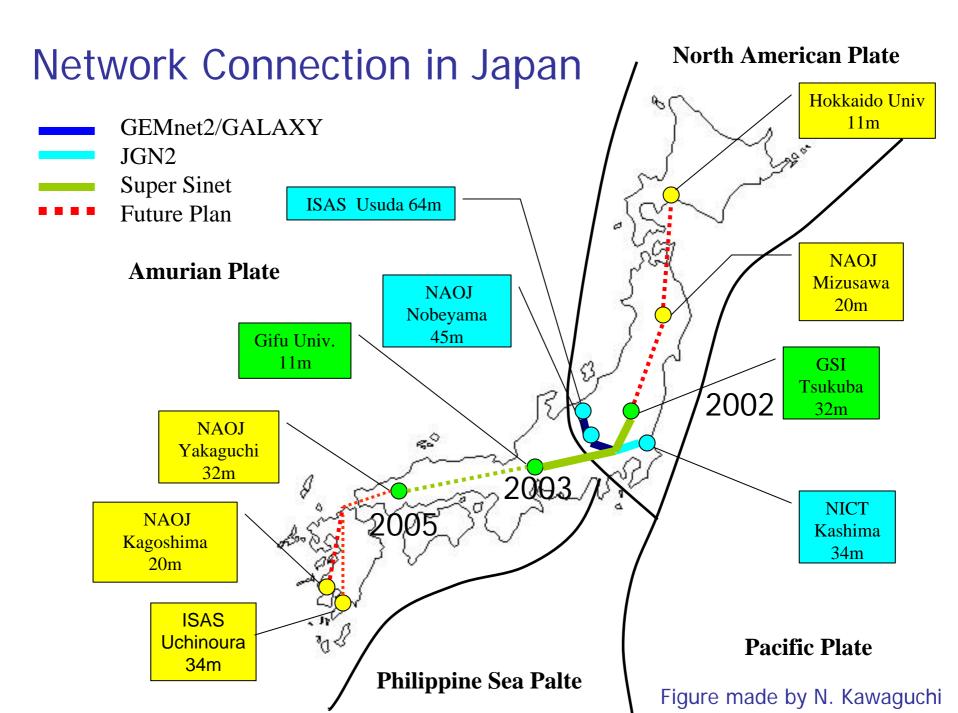


#### K5 Systems currently in use

- K5/VSSP
  - IVS Stations : KASHIM34, TSUKUB32, SYOWA
  - Other Stations : VERA Mizusawa 20m, Tomakomai 11m, Gifu 11m, Usuda 64m, Uchinoura 34m, Yamaguchi 32m

K5/VSI

- ADS1000 : VERA Sites (4), Usuda 64m, Nobeyama 45m, KVN Sites (3: planned), Yamaguchi 32m, Gifu 11m
- Software Correlator Program
  - Based on Free License Agreement : JIVE, Univ. Tech. Vienna, ATNF CSIRO, Istituto di Radioastronomia INAF, NRCan, KVN, Shanghai Observatory CAS, MERLIN
  - Based on Collaboration Agreement : GSI, NAOJ, JAXA/ISAS



#### ATM based real-time VLBI system



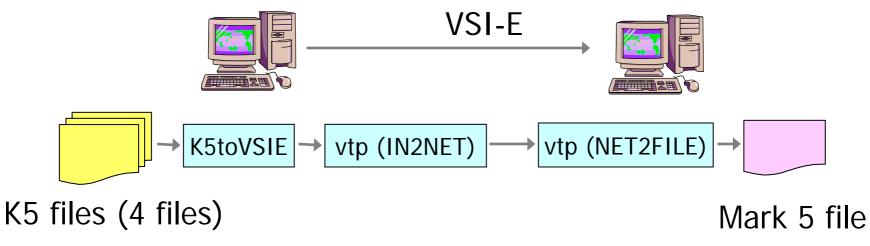
ADS-1000 (A/D Sampler) : 1024Msps, 2bits AD

Distributed Correlator : 1024Msps, 2bits, 3baselines (developed by NAOJ)



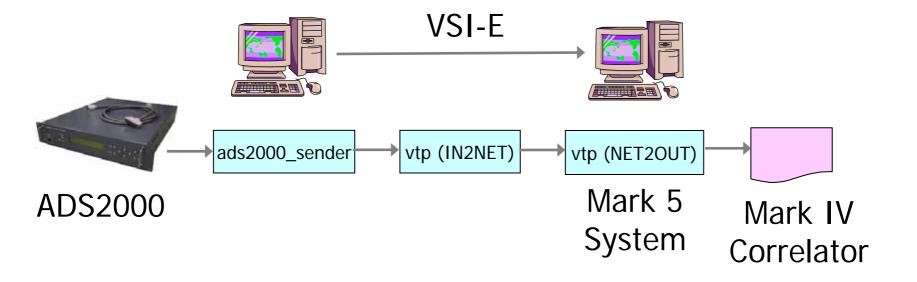
Network Access Unit (VOA-100) : OC48 x 2 (developed by NAOJ)

#### K5 - Mark 5 file conversion through VSI-E



\* 'vtp' codes have been developed by David Lapsley and his colleagues at Haystack Observatory

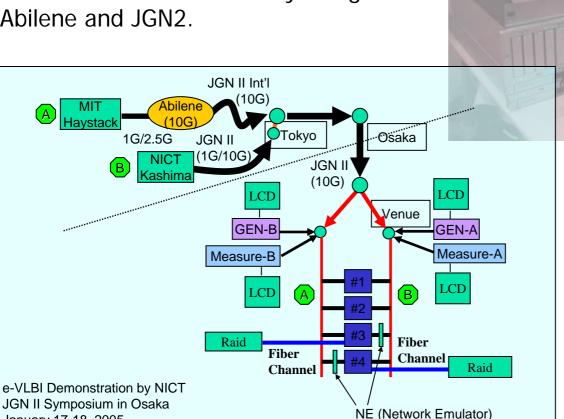
## K5 - Mark 5 real-time correlation (in progress)

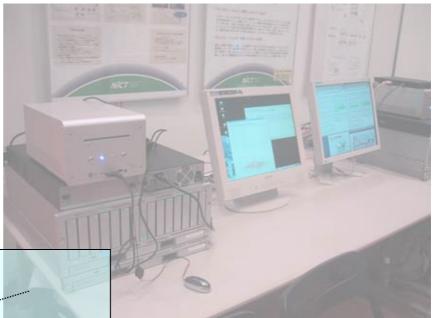


#### Real-time software correlation demo

Real-time software distributed correlation was demonstrated at JGN2 symposium in Osaka (January 17-18, 2005). Fake random data were generated at Kashima and at Haystack and transferred to Osaka by using Abilene and JGN2.

January 17-18, 2005





The data were correlated by using 8 CPUs (Apple X-serve G5) and about 400Mbps throughput without fringe rotation processing was achieved (the speed was limited by the network data transfer).

### Another recent event at Kashima

Emperor and Empress of Japan visited Kashima and they learned about e-VLBI (June 5, 2005)

Demonstration software was developed. The software was designed to be useful for actual operation.



# **Remaining Issues**

- real-time VSI-E data transfer and correlation by Mark IV correlator and K5 software correlator
- VSI-H output from K5/VSI system
- VSI-S implementation to K5/VSSP and K5/VSSP32 systems
- FPGA programming for ADS3000 to realize various modes of Digital BBC

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