

2017 CasA transits analysis (episode 4 : recap)

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Outline

Recap of previous presentations : Reza (feb.), OP (21/03, 11/04), T. Moulin (june)

- Analysis of 6 CasA transits in Oct. 2017
- software tools in JSkyMap Gitlab repo
- 8 parameters fits of visi vs time for 105 ~ good baselines (120 in total)
- pointing (or time ?) change vs day
- Phase analysis : stability and geometry
- Phase vs frequency parameters link with geometry
- Phase variation with transit - comparision with NS

Visibility model

8 parameters model for real and imaginary parts of visibility at each frequency

$$\text{Re}(V(t)) = o_r + A \frac{\exp(-(t-t_0)^2/\sigma^2)}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \cos(\omega(t-t_0) + \eta(t-t_0)^2 + \phi)$$

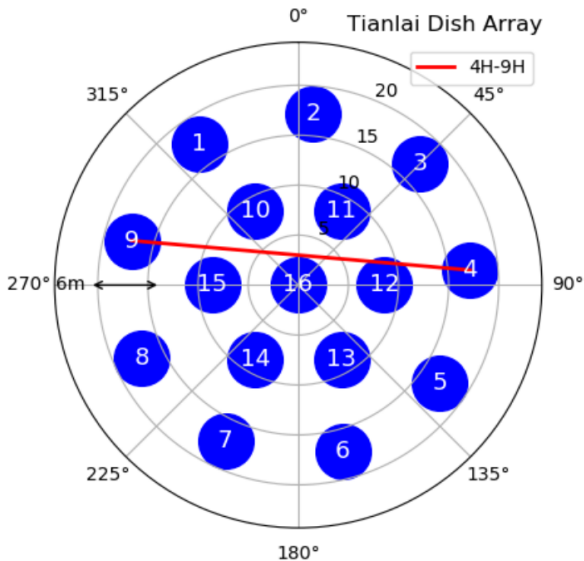
$$\text{Im}(V(t)) = o_i + A \frac{\exp(-(t-t_0)^2/\sigma^2)}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \sin(\omega(t-t_0) + \eta(t-t_0)^2 + \phi)$$

fit over time interval (1-3h) around transit, implemented in python

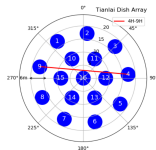
Approximate formula (small hour angle $\Rightarrow t - t_0$ development)
Gaussian beam model here

Bessel $J_1(x)/x$ function, cosine beam are also implemented
time expressed in **sidereal time** : transit time t_0 should be the same for all transits

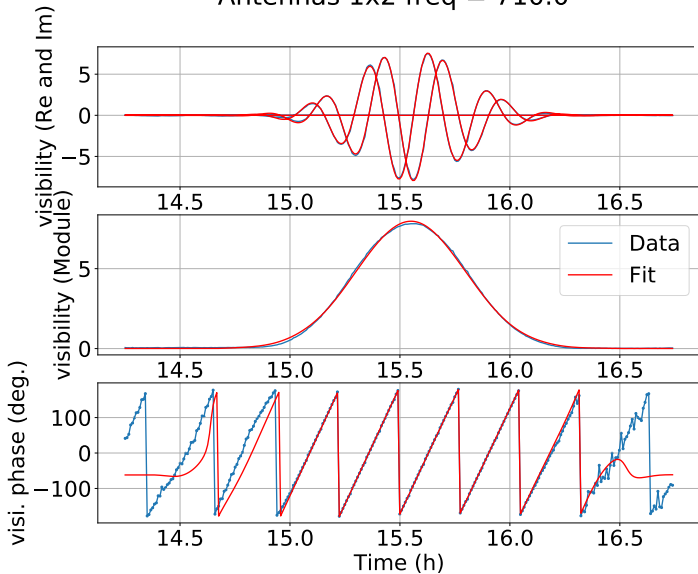
Dish array map



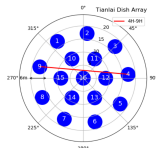
Examples of visibility fits



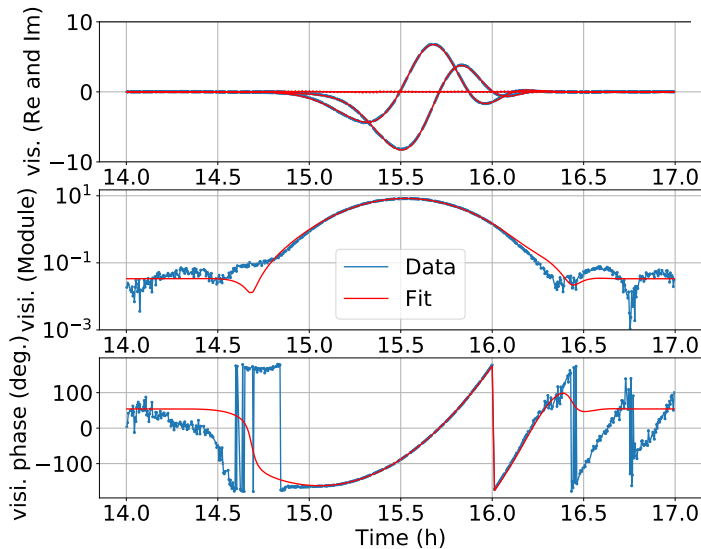
Antennas 1x2 freq = 710.0



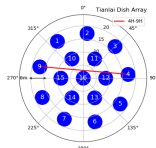
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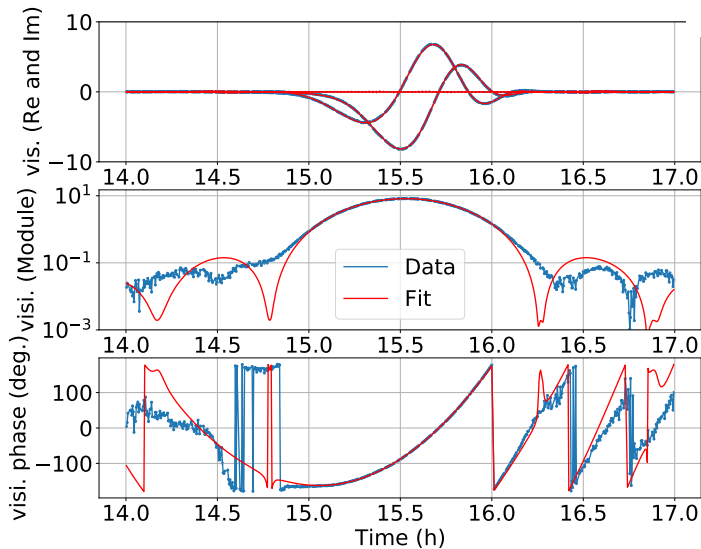
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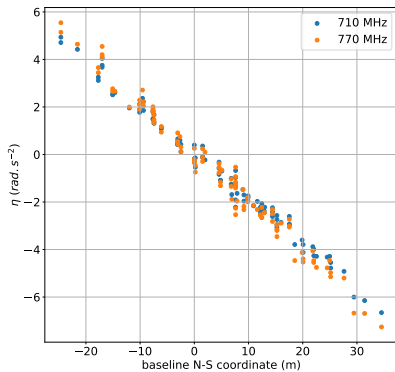
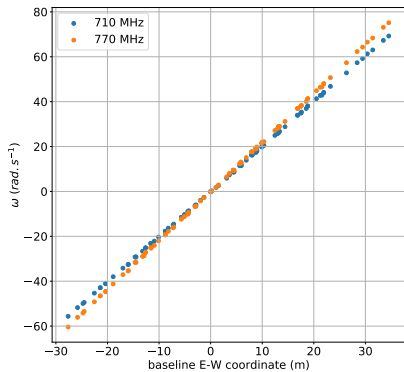
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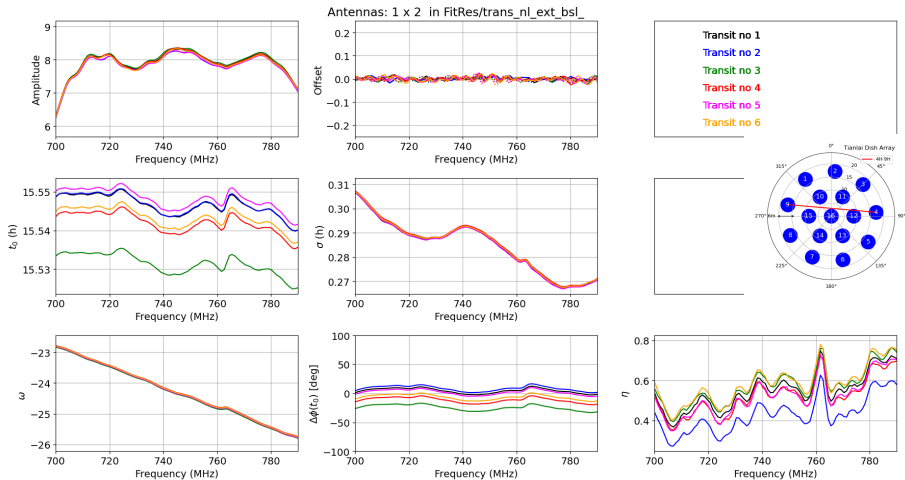


ω and η vs array geometry



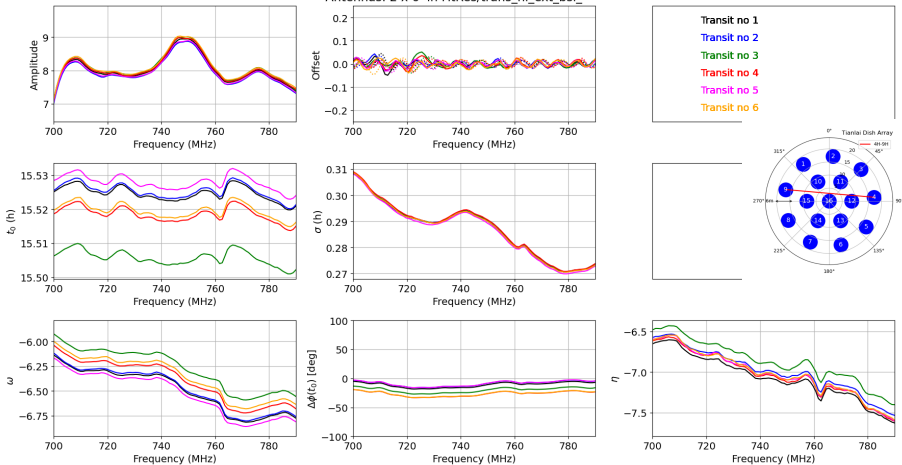
seems OK

Fit results vs frequency

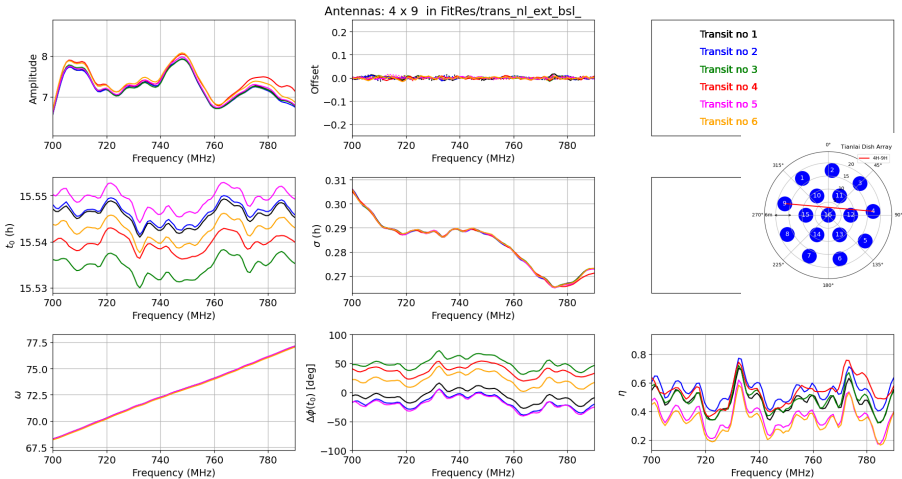


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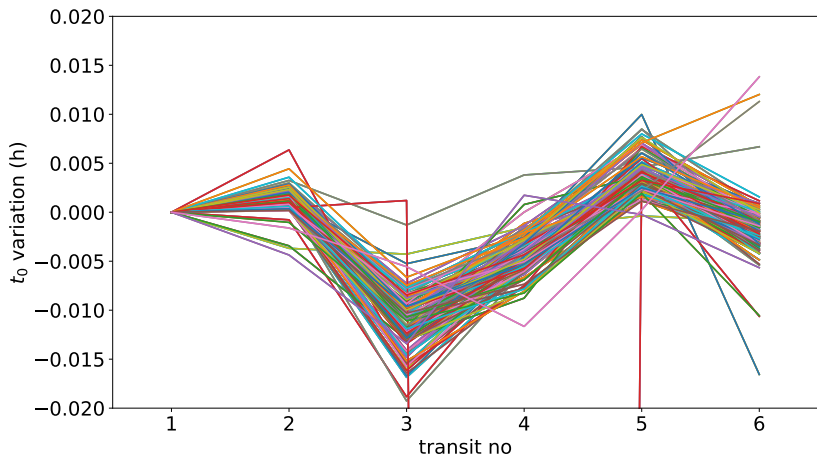
Antennas: 2 x 6 in FitRes/trans_nl_ext_bsl_



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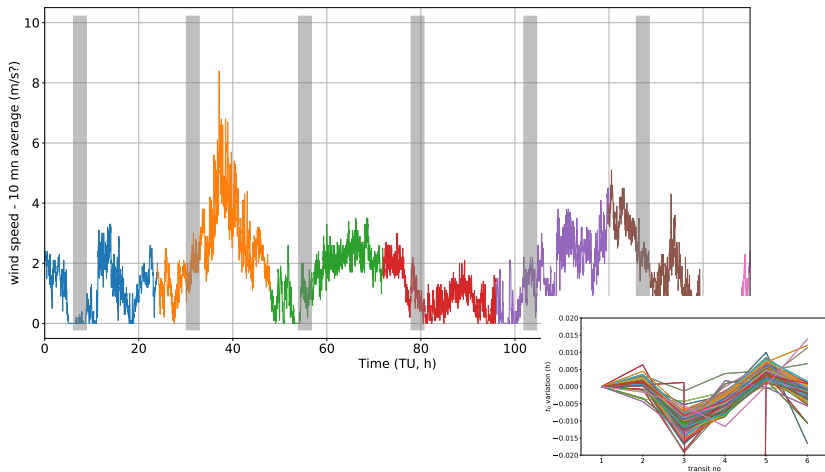
t_0 variations vs 1st transit at one frequency



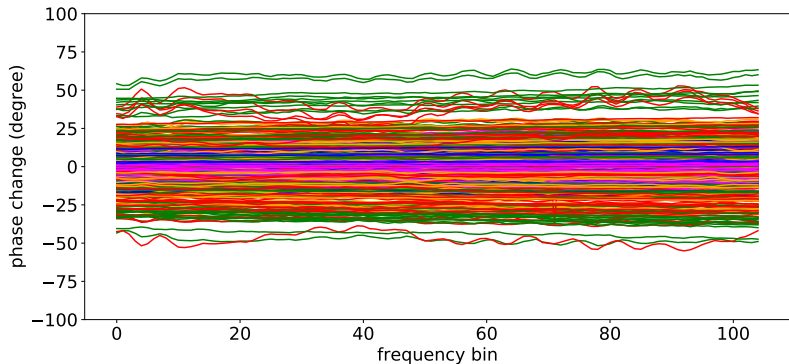
Amplitude $\sim 0.01 h \sim 36 sec \sim 4.5 arcmin$ (on the sky)

Wind speed : no correlation ?

gray bands = transits

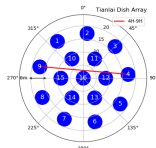


Fitted phase variations between transits



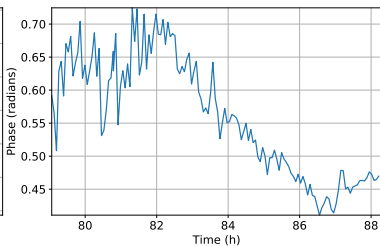
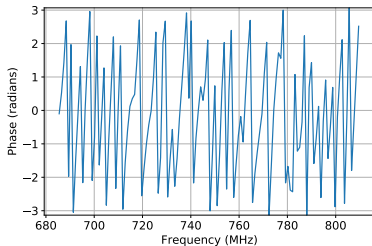
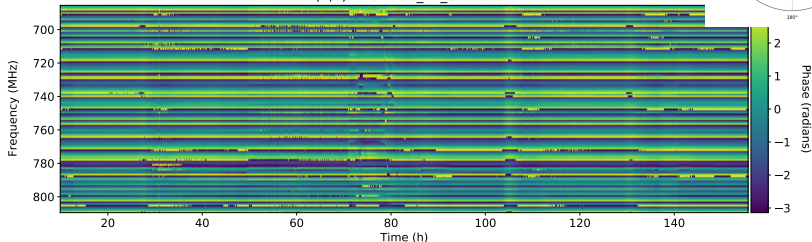
for most baselines, phase change between transits is \sim a
offset constant vs frequency

Noise source data (phase)

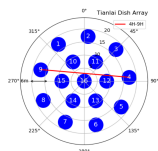


Raw data

(2,6) - NS - tfm_All_ext.hdf5

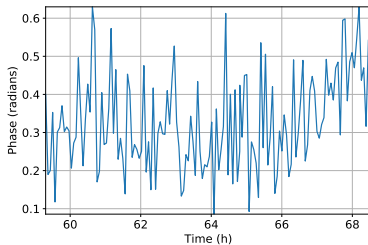
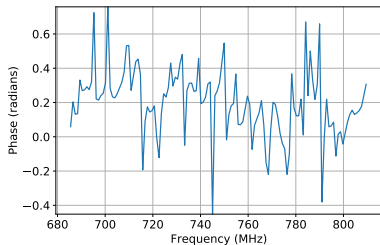
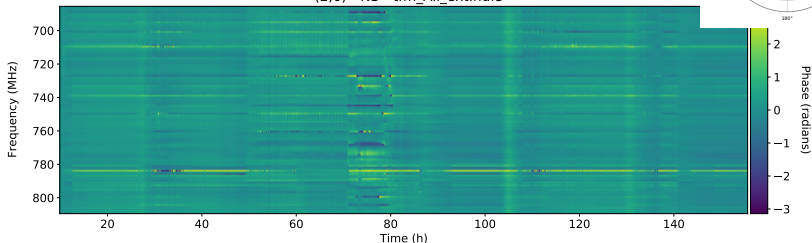


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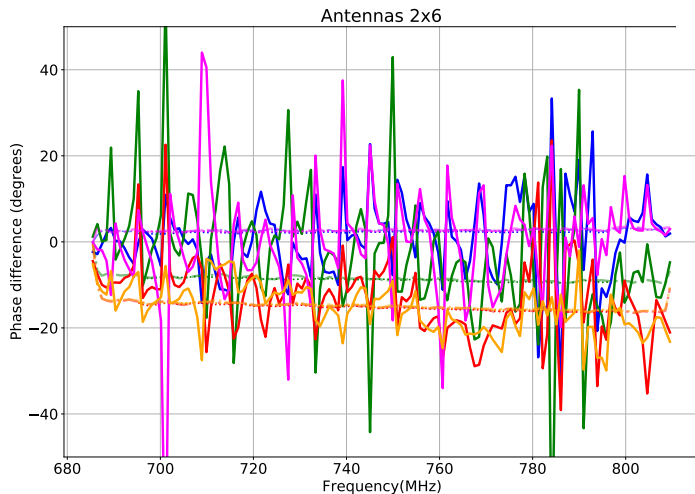
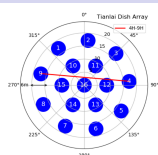


Relative variations wrt first measurement

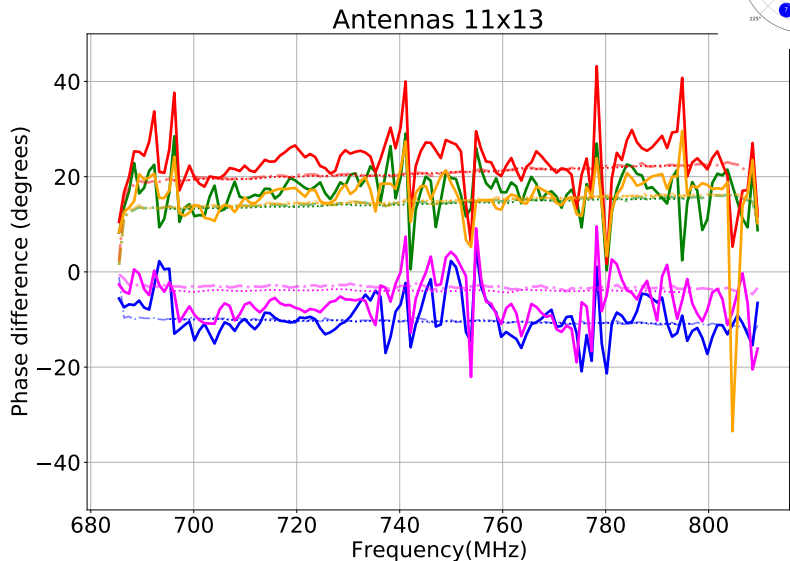
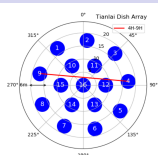
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Comparisons with 1st transits (data and



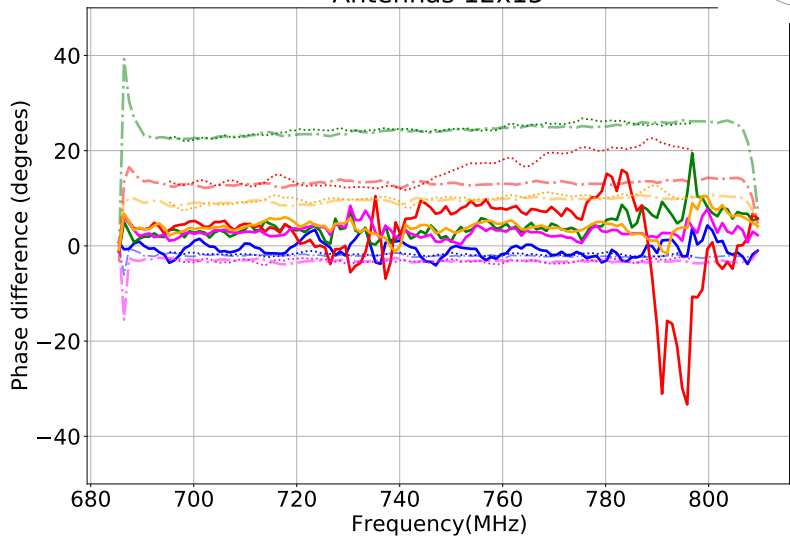
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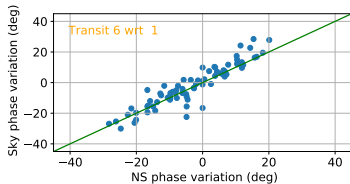
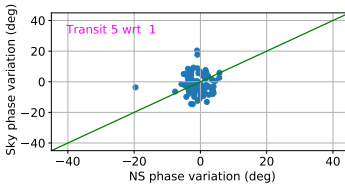
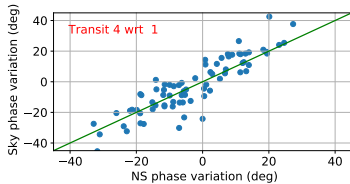
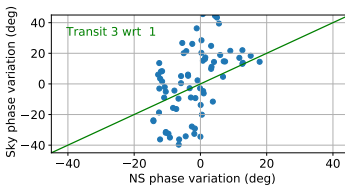
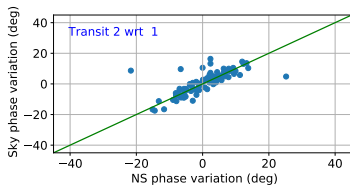
Comparisons with 1st transits (data and



Antennas 12x15



Phase averaged variations wrt 1st transit



Outliers (in 105 baselines) :

- 21
- 31
- 30
- 22
- 28

Outlook

- analysis of 9 CasA transits from oct. 2017
- question(s) on fitted transit time shift
- relative phase variation between transits : why is it constant wrt frequency ?
- comparison with Noise Source : NS phase seems noisy ; phases changes wrt transit 1 agree in 3 transits and differ (?) in 2
- so we'd like more data on CasA and other sources (CygA, M1, others ?)
- e.g. ~ several consecutive 24h integrations on one source, at a few sources declinations