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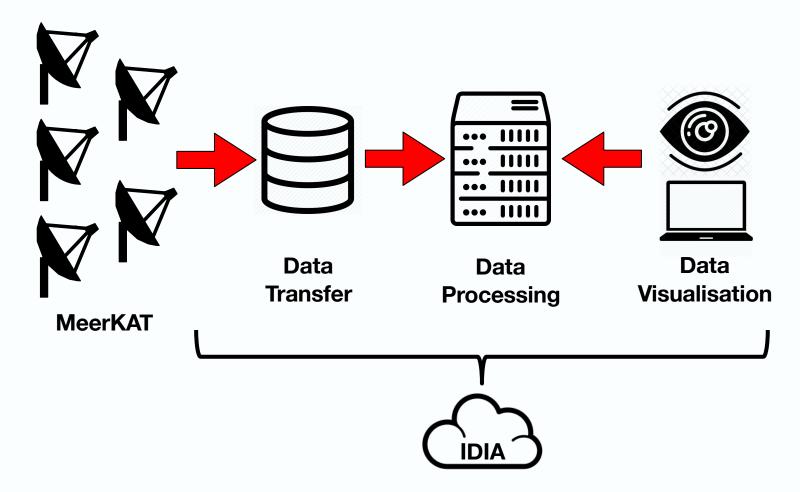




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## ilifu and the MeerKAT toolbelt



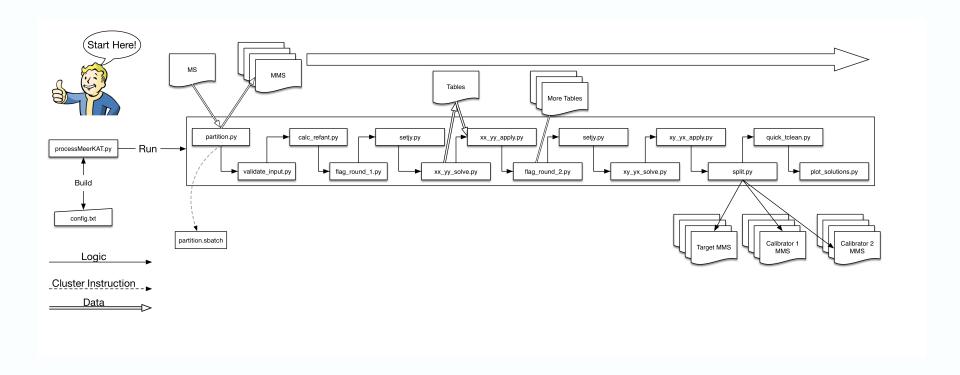








# IDIA MeerKAT pipeline (processMeerKAT.py)











### MeerKAT LSP Data Products

#### Short term

- Full (32k channel) frequency resolution
  - In MeasurementSet (MS) format: ~10 TB / obs
- Calibrated data in multi-MS (MMS) format
  - Data, model and corrected columns (~24 TB / obs)

#### Long term

- Self-calibrated visibilities (frequency-averaged)
  - In MMS format: ~300 GB / obs
- Calibration tables and flags in CASA table / MS format
- Full-Stokes continuum images and cubes (MIGHTEE, others)
- Continuum-subtracted cubes and moment maps (LADUMA, MHONGOOSE, Fornax, MALS, others)
- Multi-Epoch images (ThunderKAT)



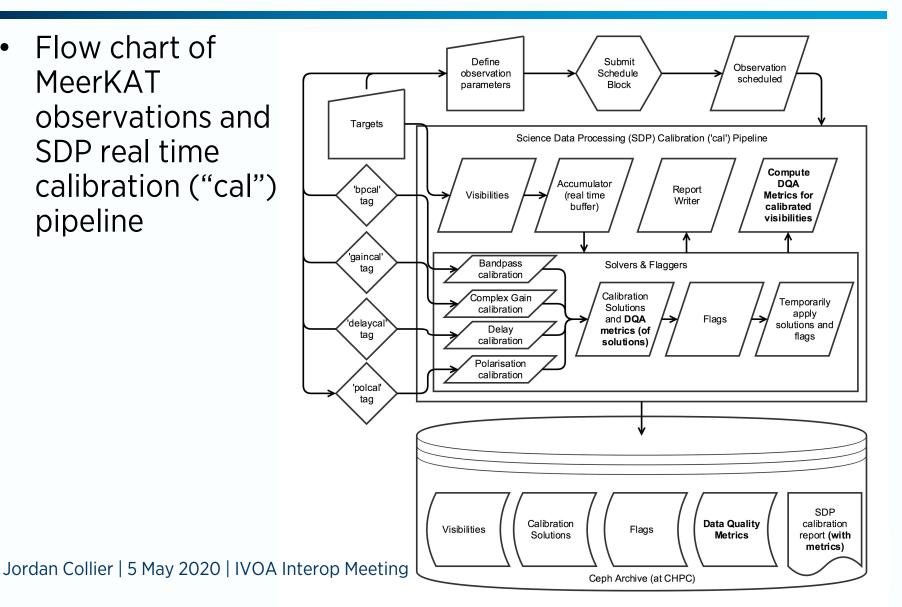




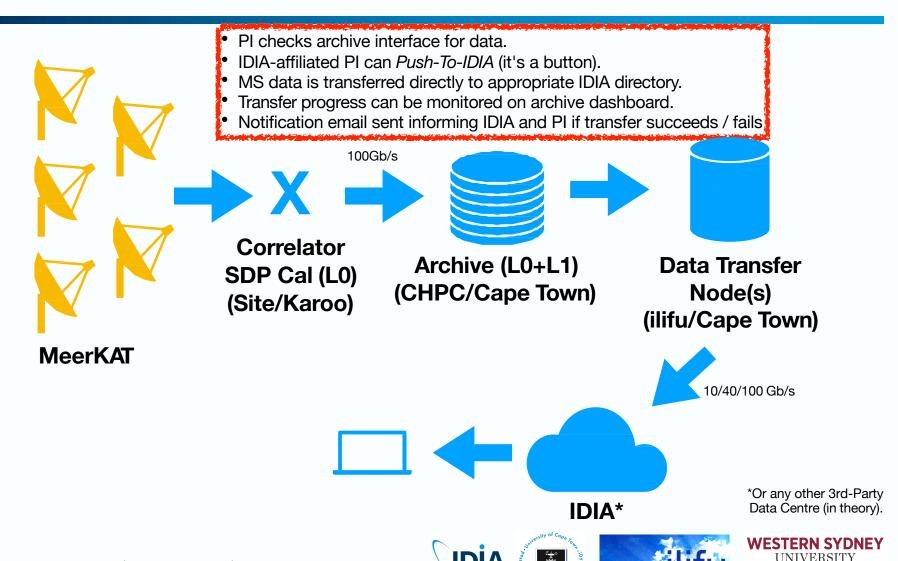


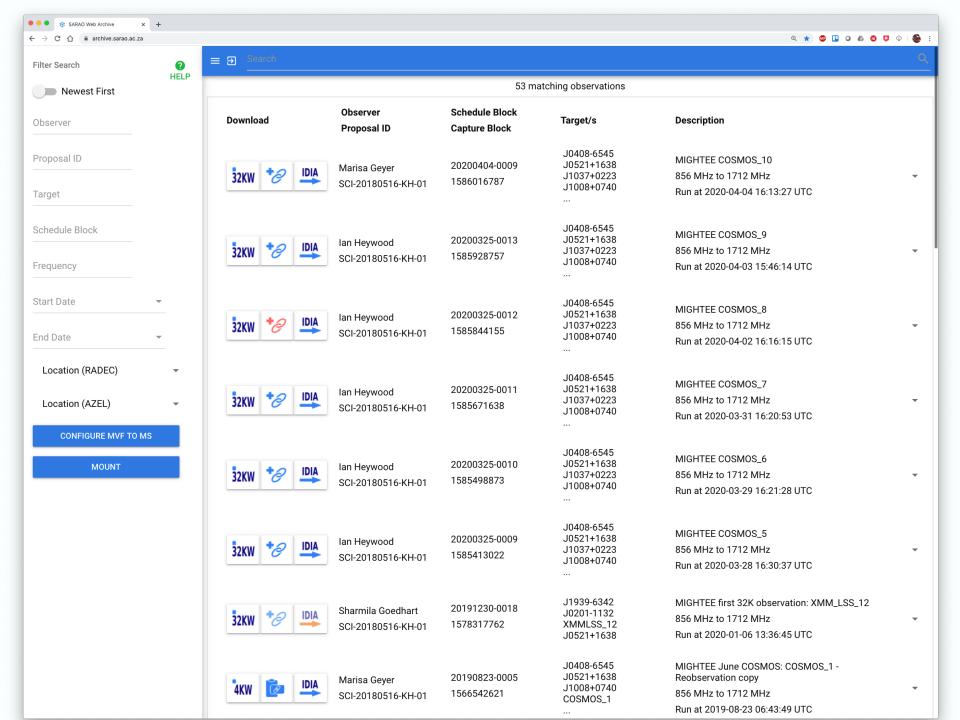
### MeerKAT SDP

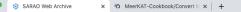
Flow chart of MeerKAT observations and SDP real time calibration ("cal") pipeline



### Data Transfers: SARAO archive







#### Configure MVF to MS: 4K

← → C ↑ â archive.sarao.ac.za

DEFAULT CALIBRATED 32K **DEFAULT UNCALIBRATED Description Parameter** Value Produce a full polarisation MS -f true List of online flags to apply --flags cam,data\_lost,ingest\_rfi Range of frequency channels to keep -C Output time averaging interval in seconds --dumptime Bin width for channel averaging in channels --chanbin Discard the first N dumps --quack List of calibration solutions to apply --applycal Tar-ball the MS -t Use W term to stop fringes for each baseline -W Select polarisation products -p Exclude autocorrelation data -a Keep spaces in source names Flag elevations outside range -е Add MODEL\_DATA and CORRECTED\_DATA columns to the MS -m If a single element in an averaging bin is flagged, flag the averaged bin --flagav Create calibration tables from gain solutions --caltables For more information on the MVF to MS parameters please visit the MVF to MS cookbook

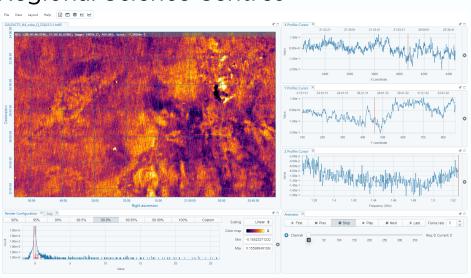
For more information on the flags please review Ludwig Shchwardt's presentation Fun with SDP flags

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#### **CARTA**

- Cube Analysis and Rendering Tool for Astronomy
  - IDIA (South Africa) NRAO (US) ASIAA (Taiwan)
  - Cloud-based Visual analytic of remote large image cubes
  - Supports many image formats: FITS, CASA, Miriad, and HDF5
  - v1.3 released March 31, 2020, available online: https://cartavis.github.io
  - To be deployed at ALMA Regional Science Centres













## **CARTA HDF5 format**

- Purpose-built HDF5 schema developed at IDIA
  - Efficient FITS to HDF5 converter tool developed at IDIA
- Files go through an "ingestion process"
  - Rotated dataset (XYZ -> ZYX) cached for spectral profile generation
  - Pre-calculated statistics & histogram for image loading (slides & cubes)
  - Pre-calculated tiles for image loading (v1.4)









# THANK YOU

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