

SST Progress Report

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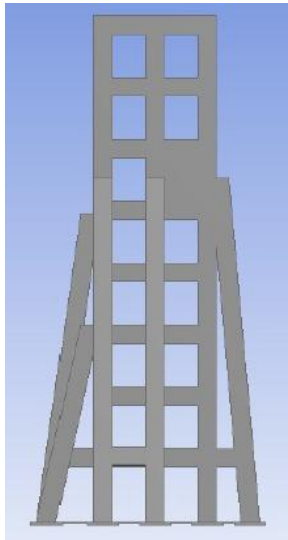
- Davies-Cotton SST.
 - ◆ 7 m structure.
 - ◆ 4 m design.
- Progress with Dual Mirror designs:
 - ◆ SST-GATE.
 - ◆ ASTRI.
- Camera developments:
 - ◆ ASTRI camera and SiPMs.
- Calibration and pointing.
- Schedule.
- Summary.



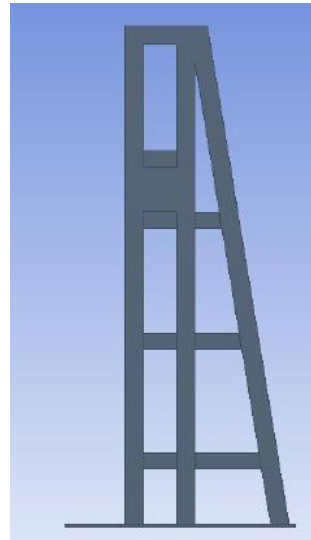
Davies-Cotton SST – 7 m structure

Jacek Niemiec

- Recommendation of SST review was that IFJ-PAN steel structure be simplified.
- Done for dish support structure, counterweight, dish and columns:
- Before:

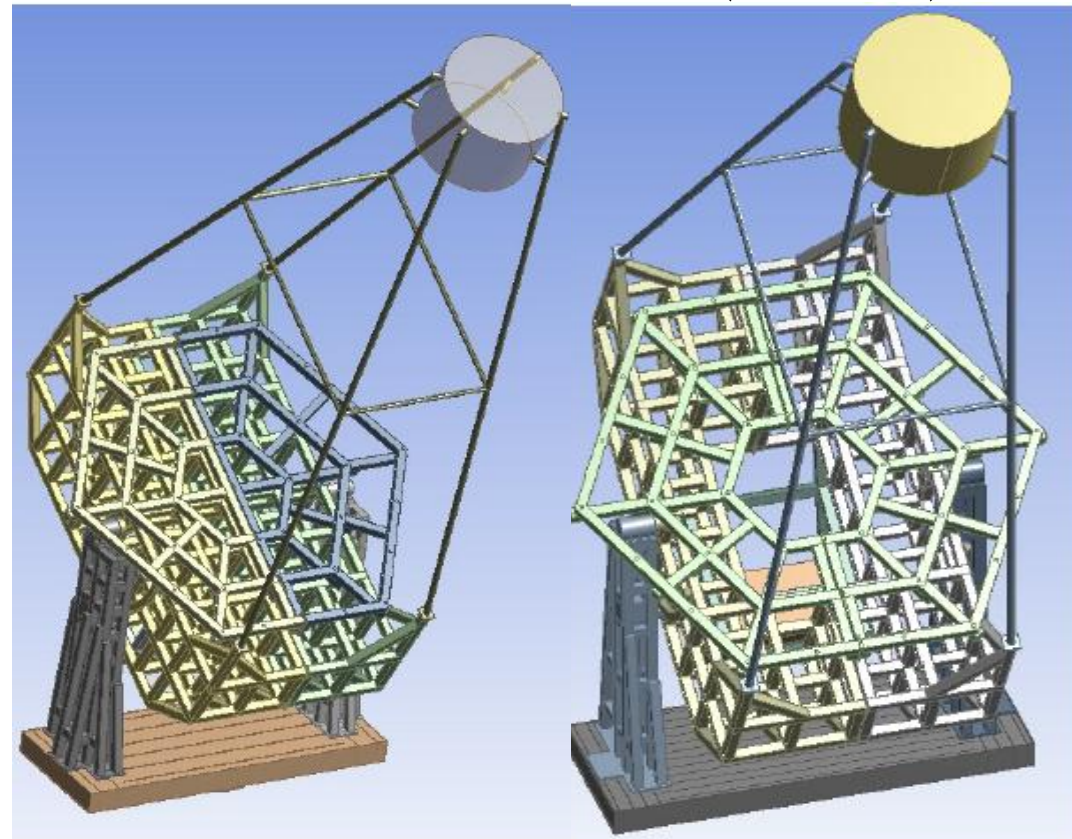


After:



- Telescope:
- Before (27 tons):

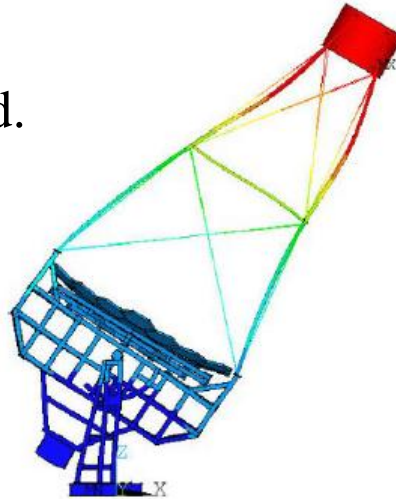
After (24.4 tons):



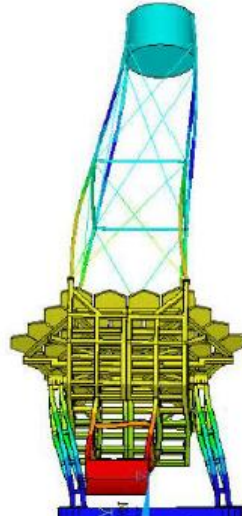
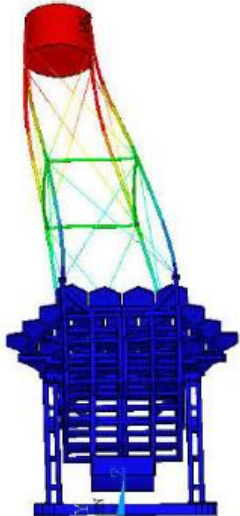
- Costs of material and welding reduced.

DC SST – 7 m structure

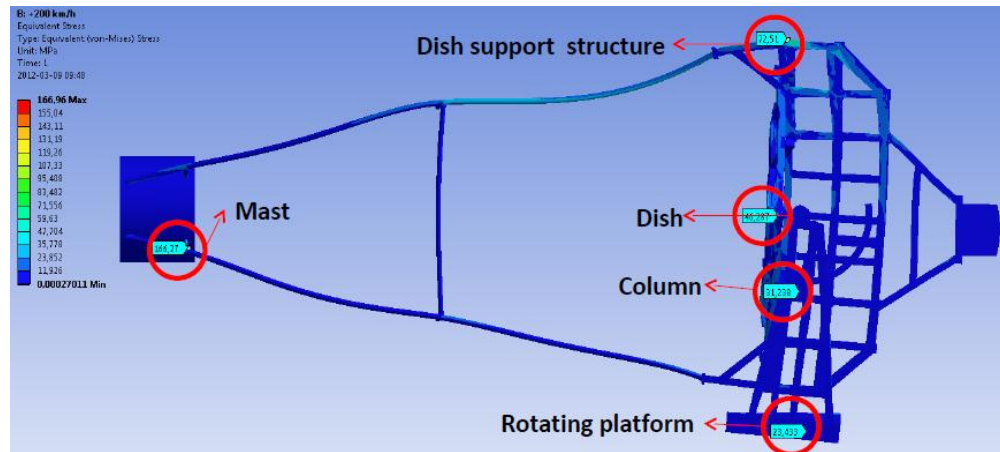
- FEA of optimised structure completed.
- Lowest frequency oscillations 2.5 Hz at elevation of 60°:
- Next modes:
- $f > 3$ Hz



$f > 5$ Hz



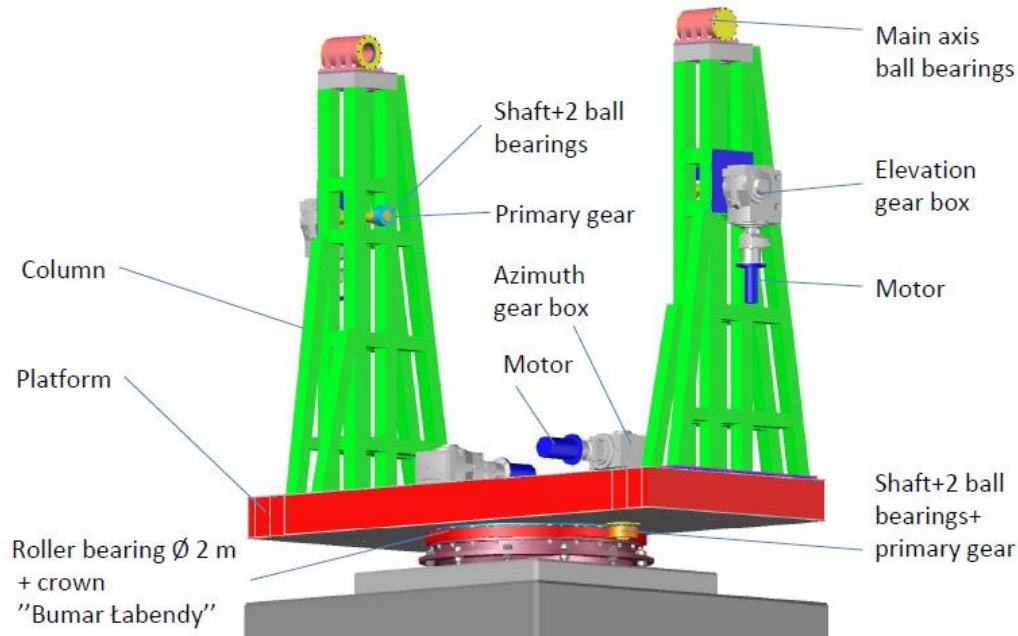
- Max. camera displacement under gravitational and 50 km/h wind load is 15 mm at an elevation of 30°.
- Less than $\frac{1}{3}$ pixel size.
- Stresses under 200 km/h wind load in parking position are largest in dish support structure, 73 MPa:



- Steel yield strength 250 MPa.

DC SST – 7 m structure

- Detailed design of drive system performed:



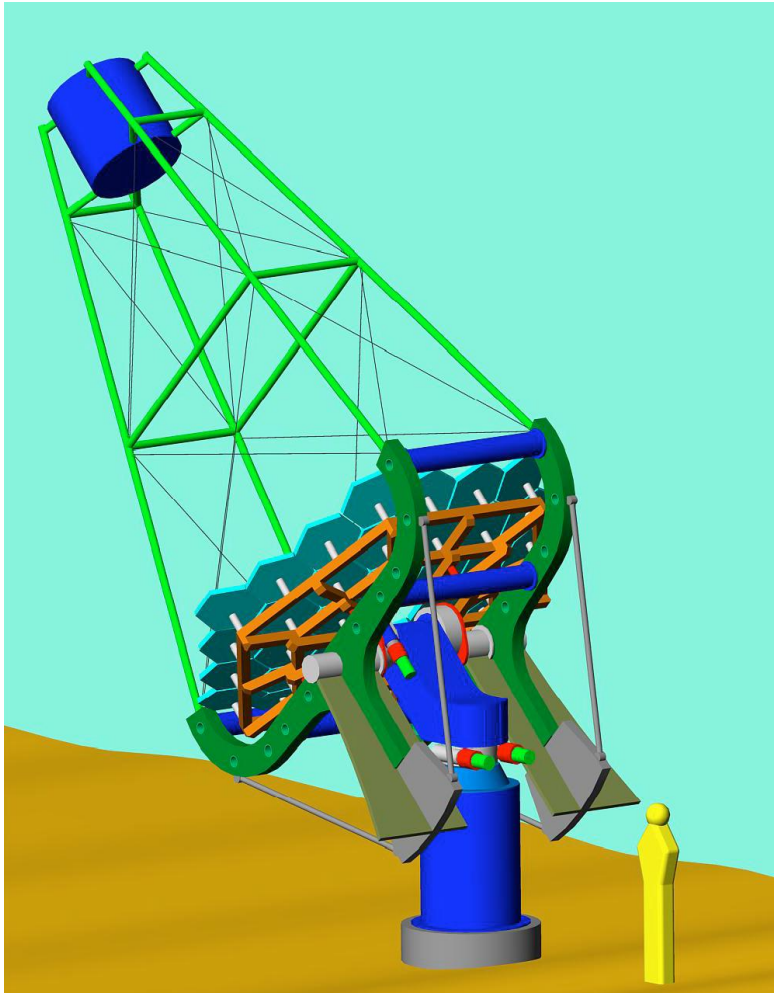
- Gear boxes, motors... chosen.
- Suppliers same as for MST in many cases.

- Design now considered complete enough to be shelved.
- Polish groups starting work on 4 m DC structure for which Swiss developing SiPM-based camera.

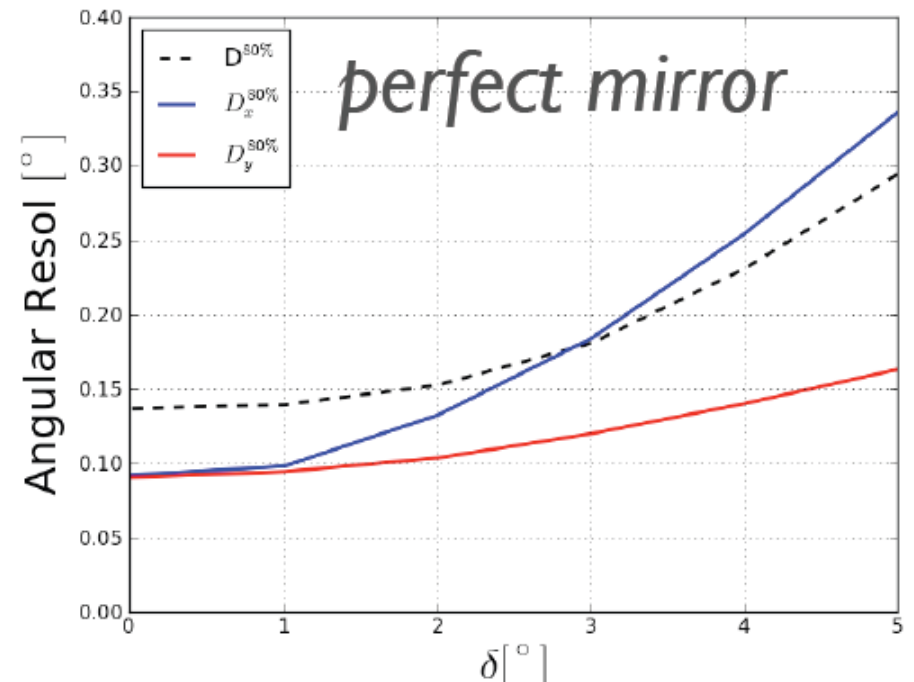


4 m DC SST – structure and mirrors

Teresa Montaruli, Jacek Niemiec

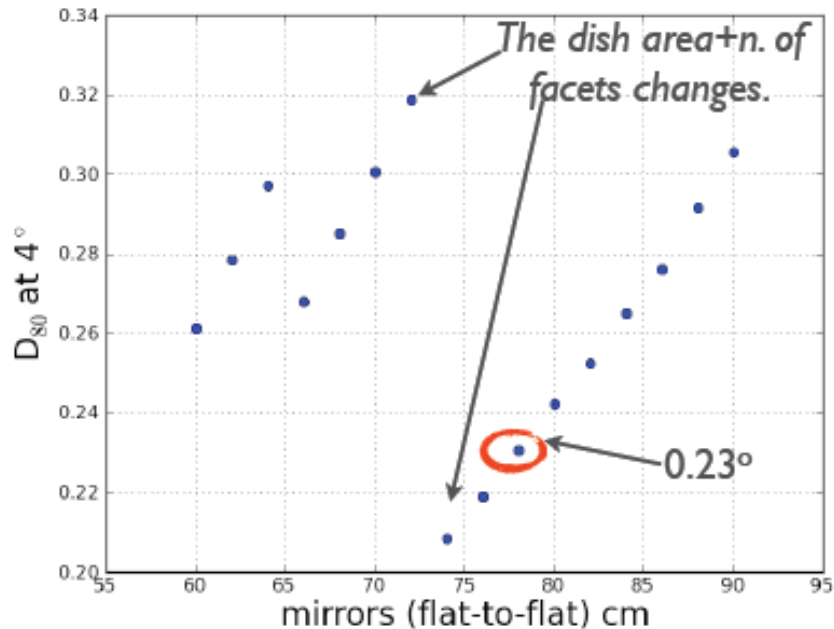


- Design DC telescope that has $D \sim 4$ m, focal ~ 5.6 m and 9° FoV.
- C.f. FACT, refurbished HEGRA CT3 telescope, $D \sim 3.5$ m, $f \sim 5$ m.
- Hexagonal mirrors of flat-to-flat size 78 cm give required PSF:



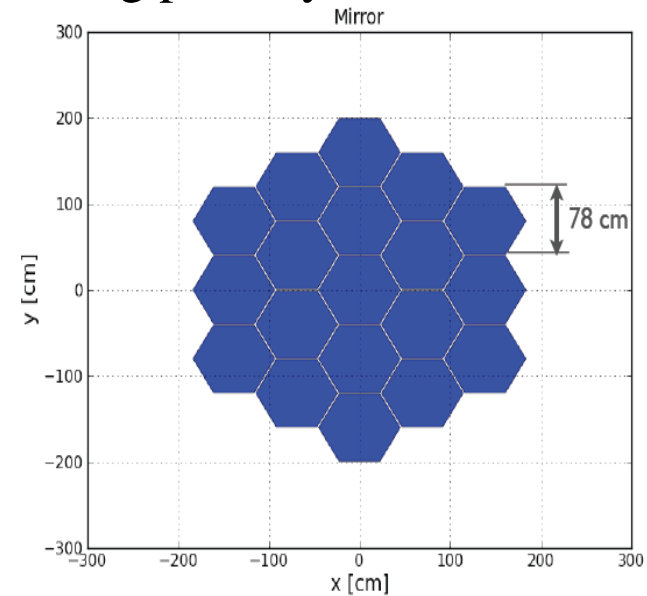
4 m DC SST – structure and mirrors

- Facet sizes which give mirrors extending beyond $D \sim 4$ m result in poor PSF:



- Optimum facet size 78 cm flat-to-flat.

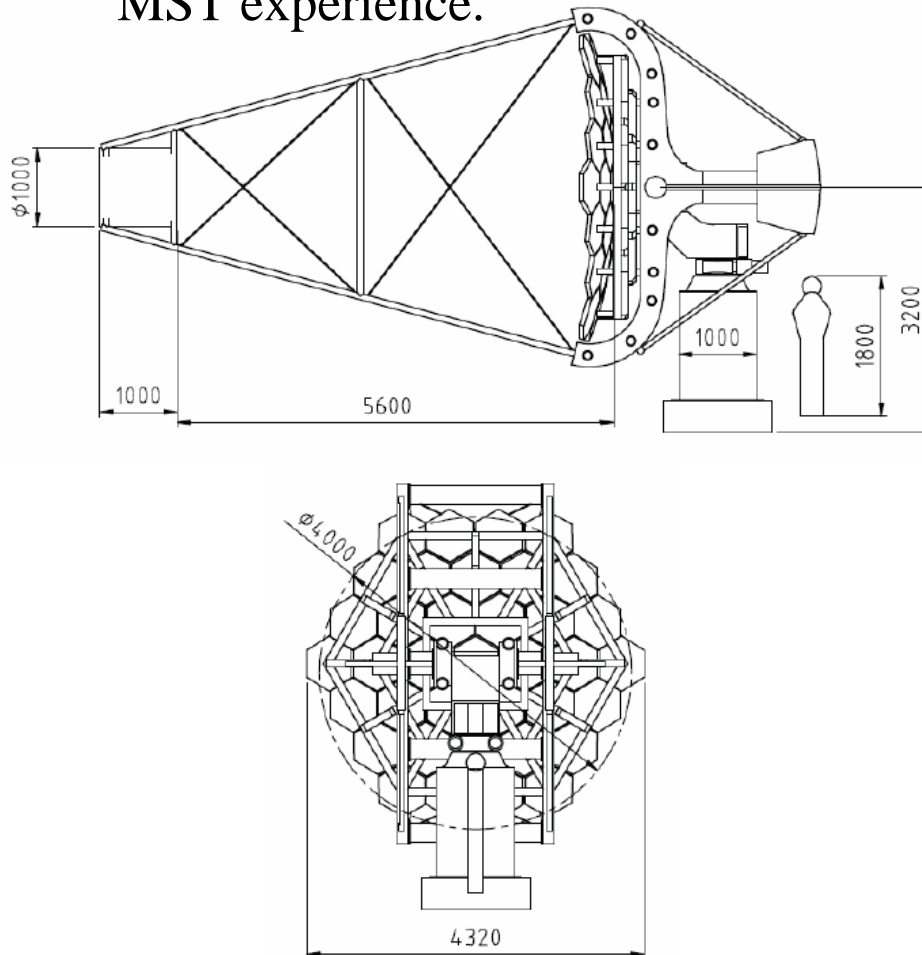
- Resulting primary:



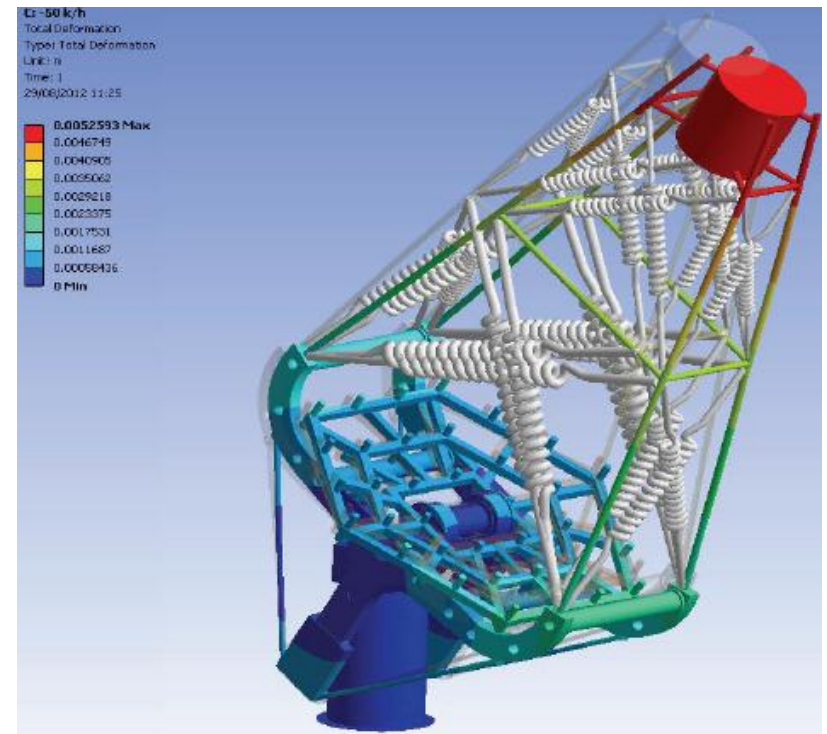
- Baseline: HESS mirror design.
- Galaktica (Armenia) can produce mirror for prototype at cost of €1700 for each of ~ 10 facets.
- Also looking at composite mirrors.

4 m DC SST – structure and mirrors

- Structure design based on 7 m and MST experience.



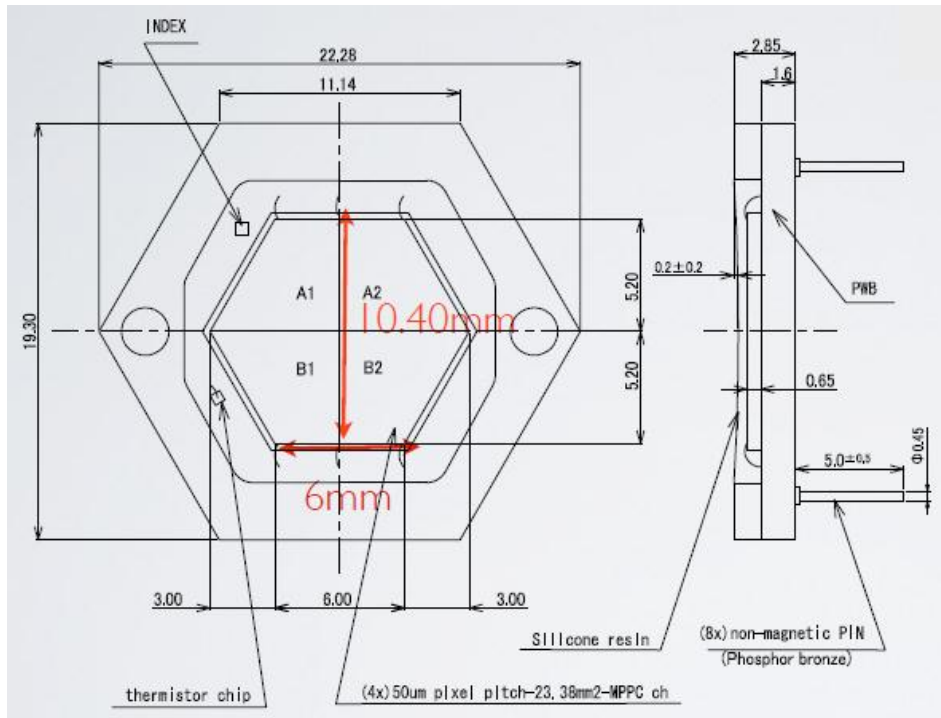
- Gravitational deformation plus effects of 50 km/h wind acceptable:



- Lowest mode of oscillation ~ 6.5 Hz.

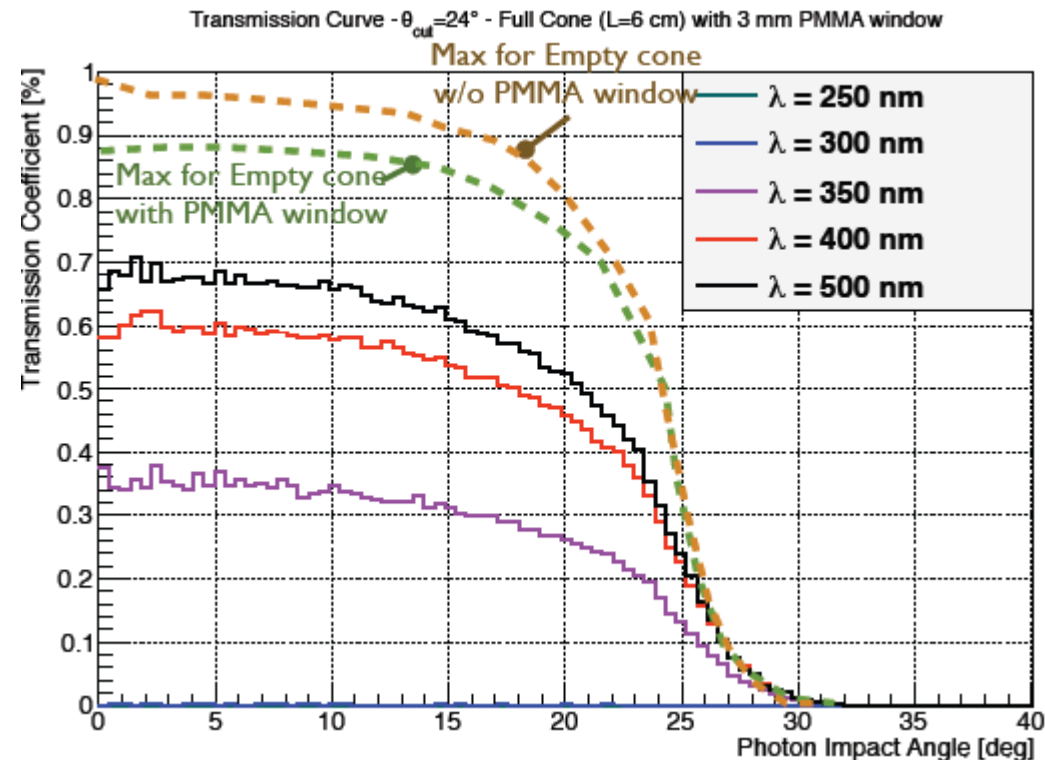
4 m DC SST – camera

- SiPM development with Hamamatsu.



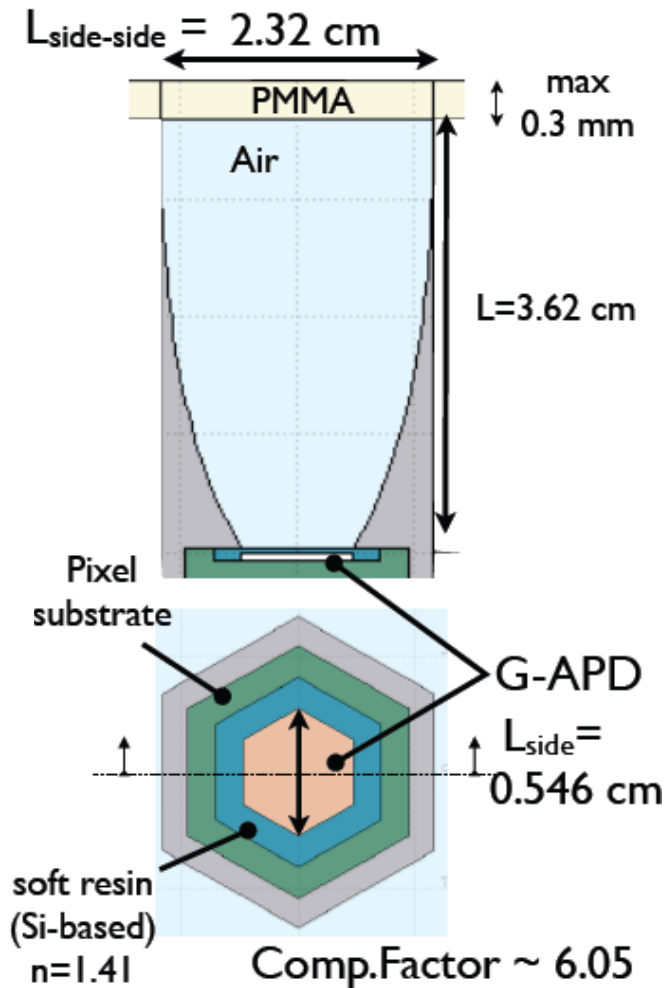
- Pixel is hexagonal, consists of 4 channels of area 23.4 mm^2 .
- Cells $50 \times 50 \mu\text{m}^2$, fill factor $\sim 60\%$.

- Cost of (small numbers) of these SiPMs high, but price per mm^2 reasonable for large numbers.
- Use open Winston cone to limit absorption:

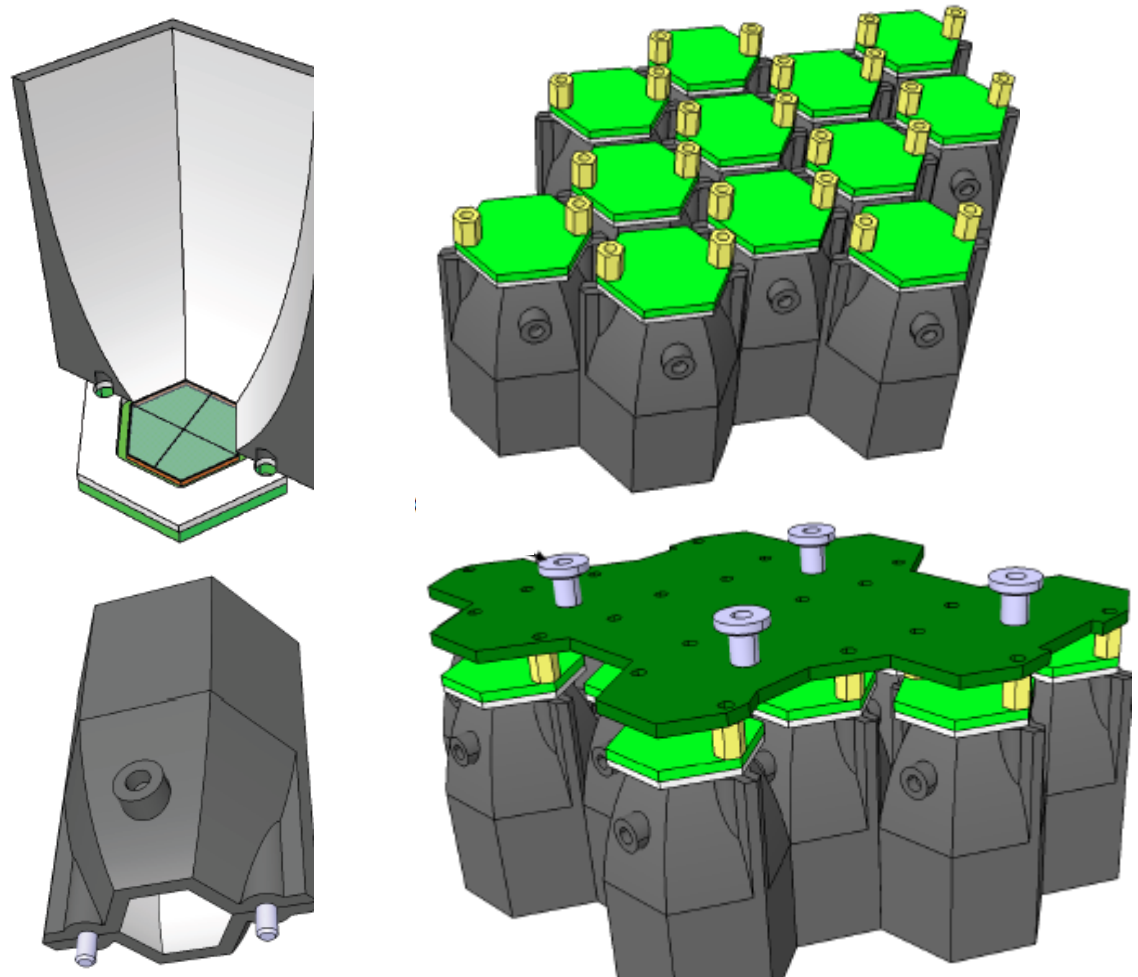


4 m DC SST – camera

Pixel design:

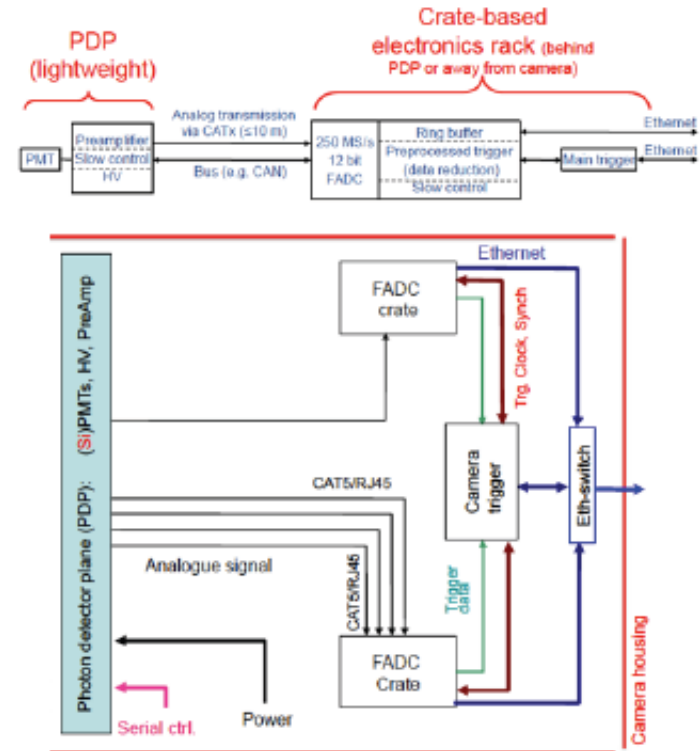
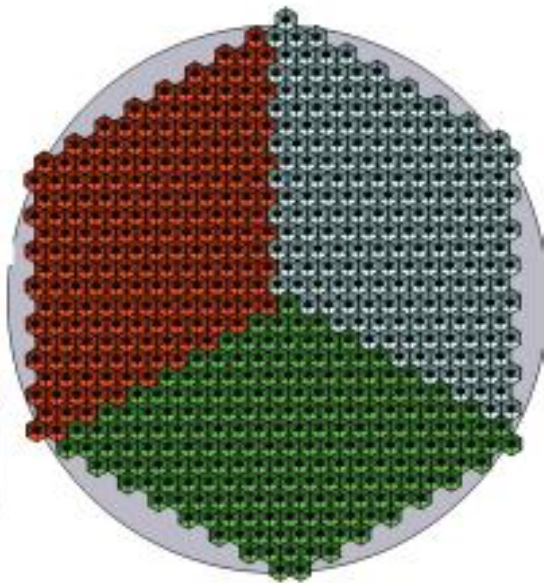


Working on manufacturing methods:



4 m DC SST – camera

- DPNC proposal is to develop prototype of detector plane using 12 pixel units.
- Preamps and front end electronics will be developed with ETHZ.
- Will be matched to FlashCam...

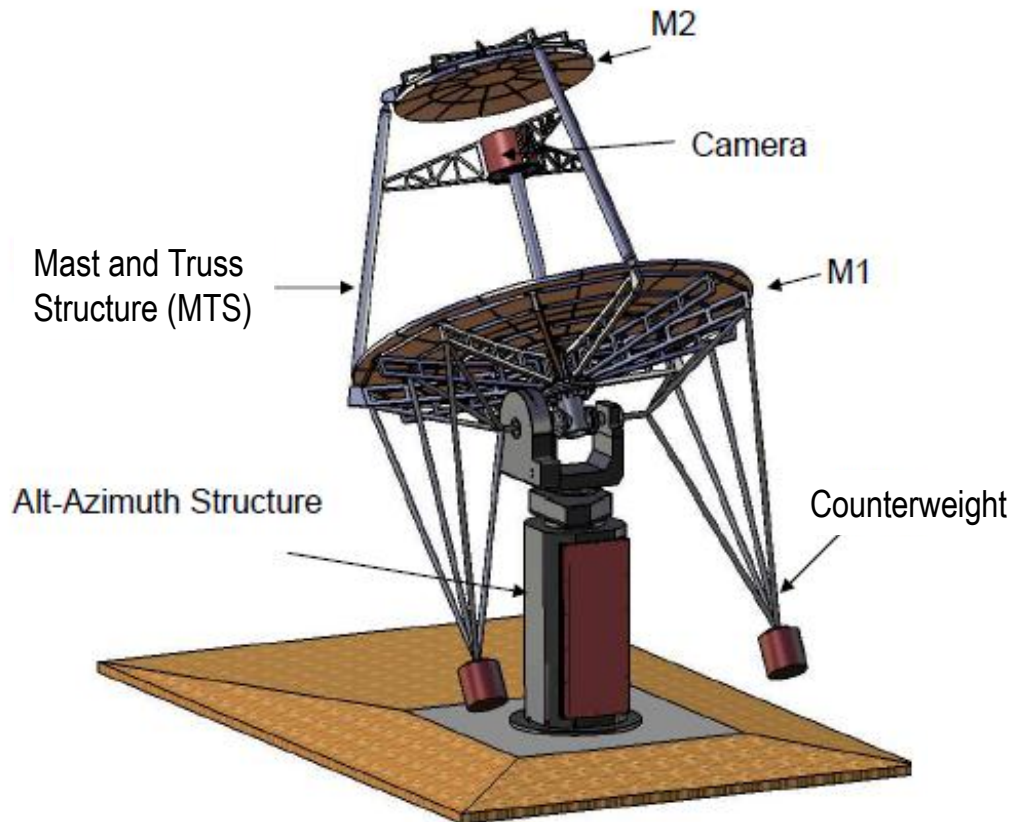


- ...but will also investigate e.g. EASIROC-based readout.
- Look at use of commercial cooling system.

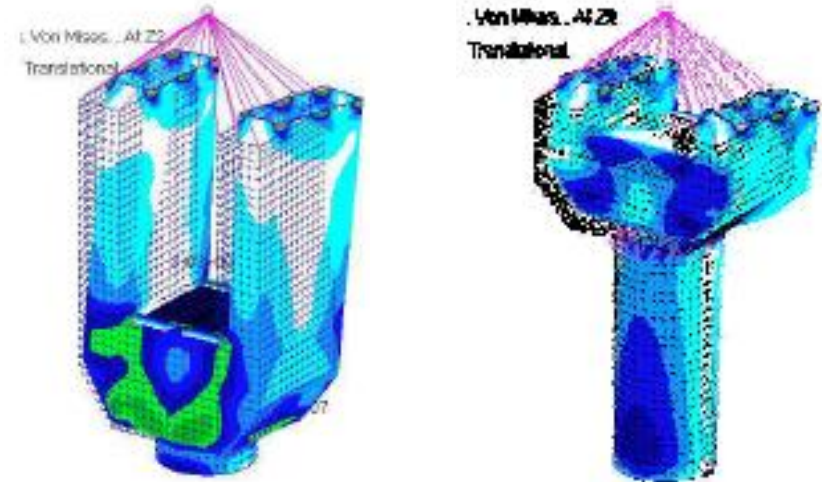
Progress with SST-GATE

Delphine Dumas

- Structure design evolving:



- Now use “short” fork as opposed to long design originally intended to accommodate camera electronics.



- Improves stiffness and reduces mass from 1.9 to 1.0 tons.
- Steel chosen for MTS.
- Support from technical division of INSU for drives.

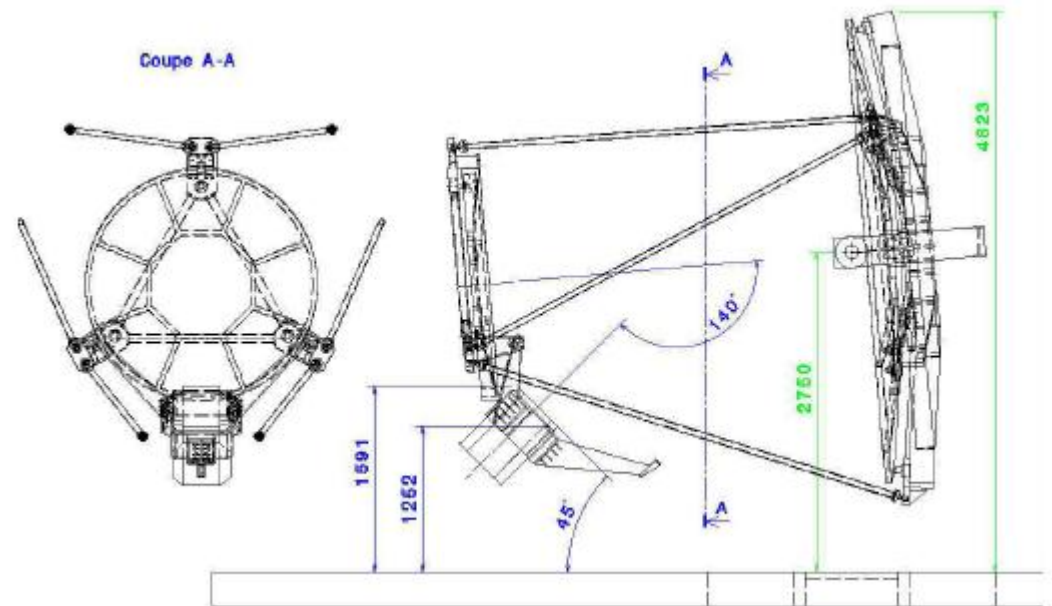
Progress with SST-GATE

- Three arm Serrurier support for secondary mirror and camera under study:



- Significantly stiffer than previous design.

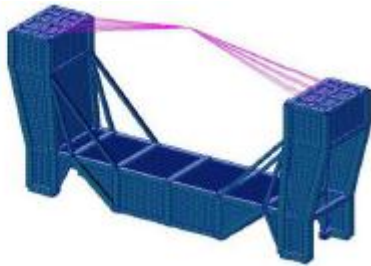
- Camera removal using rotating support:



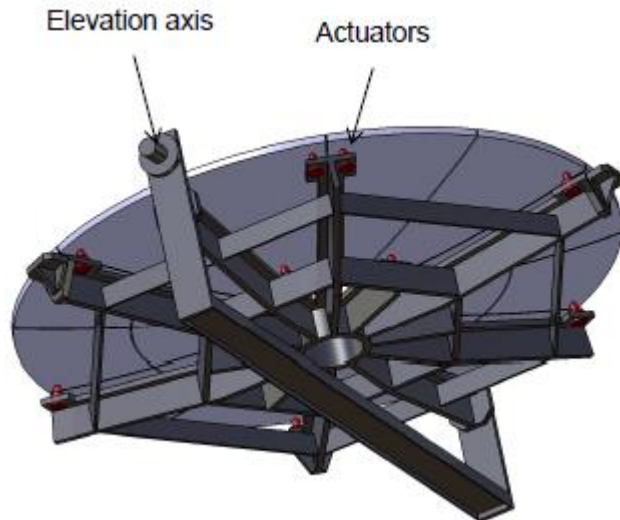
- FEA indicates need to increase stiffness of dish.

Progress with SST-GATE

- Back up solution, wide fork...



- ...which carries dish at outer extremes:



- Shelter will be used, provided by Losberger.



- Planning permission sought for erection of shelter in Meudon.
- Procurement planned for November.

Progress with SST-GATE

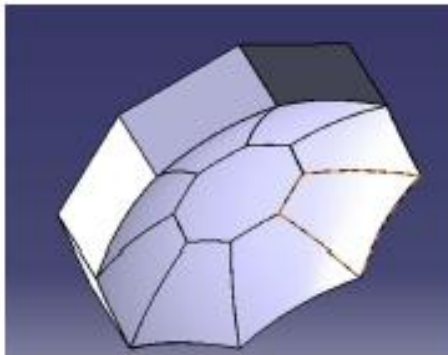
- Secondary mirror will be constructed by CEA IRFU.



- Feasibility demonstrated.

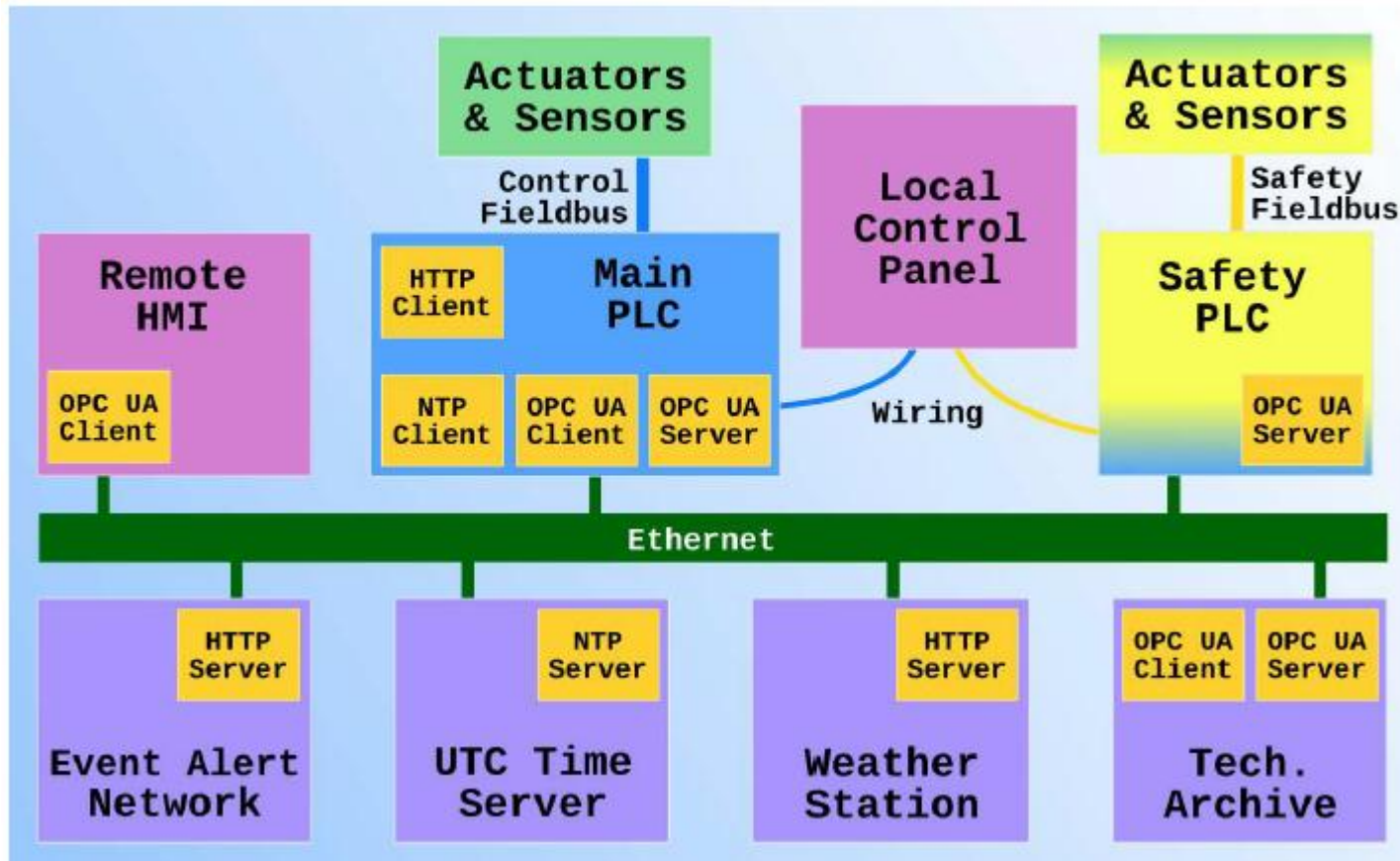
- Mould purchased.
- First panel expected December 2012.
- Complete mirror summer 2013.

- July 2012, talking to several possible suppliers of primary mirror.
 - ◆ Optic Technium (Wales).
 - ◆ Schott (Germany).
 - ◆ LZOS (Russia).
 - ◆ LAM (France).
- Developing collaboration with Nexeya for actuators.



Progress with SST-GATE

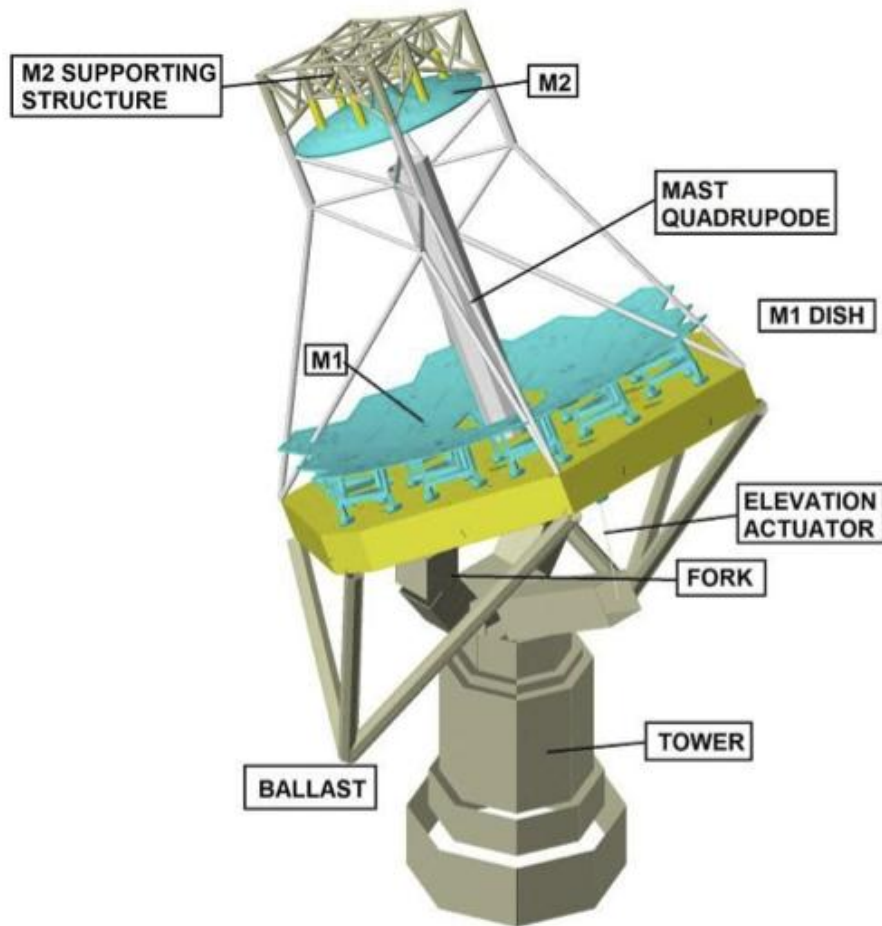
- Software and communication layout being designed.
- Main and safety Programmable Logic Controllers probably Siemens.



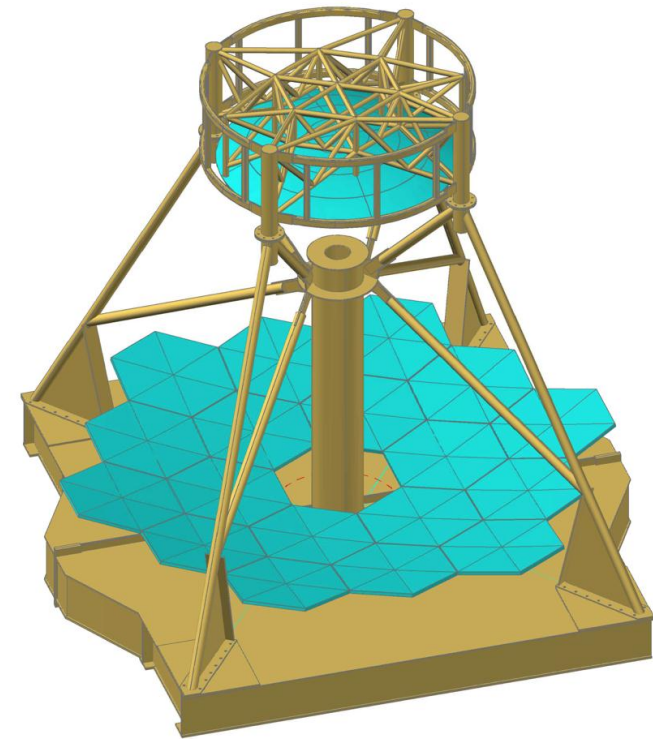
Progress with ASTRI

Rodolfo Canestrari, Giovanni Pareschi

- Structural design essentially complete:

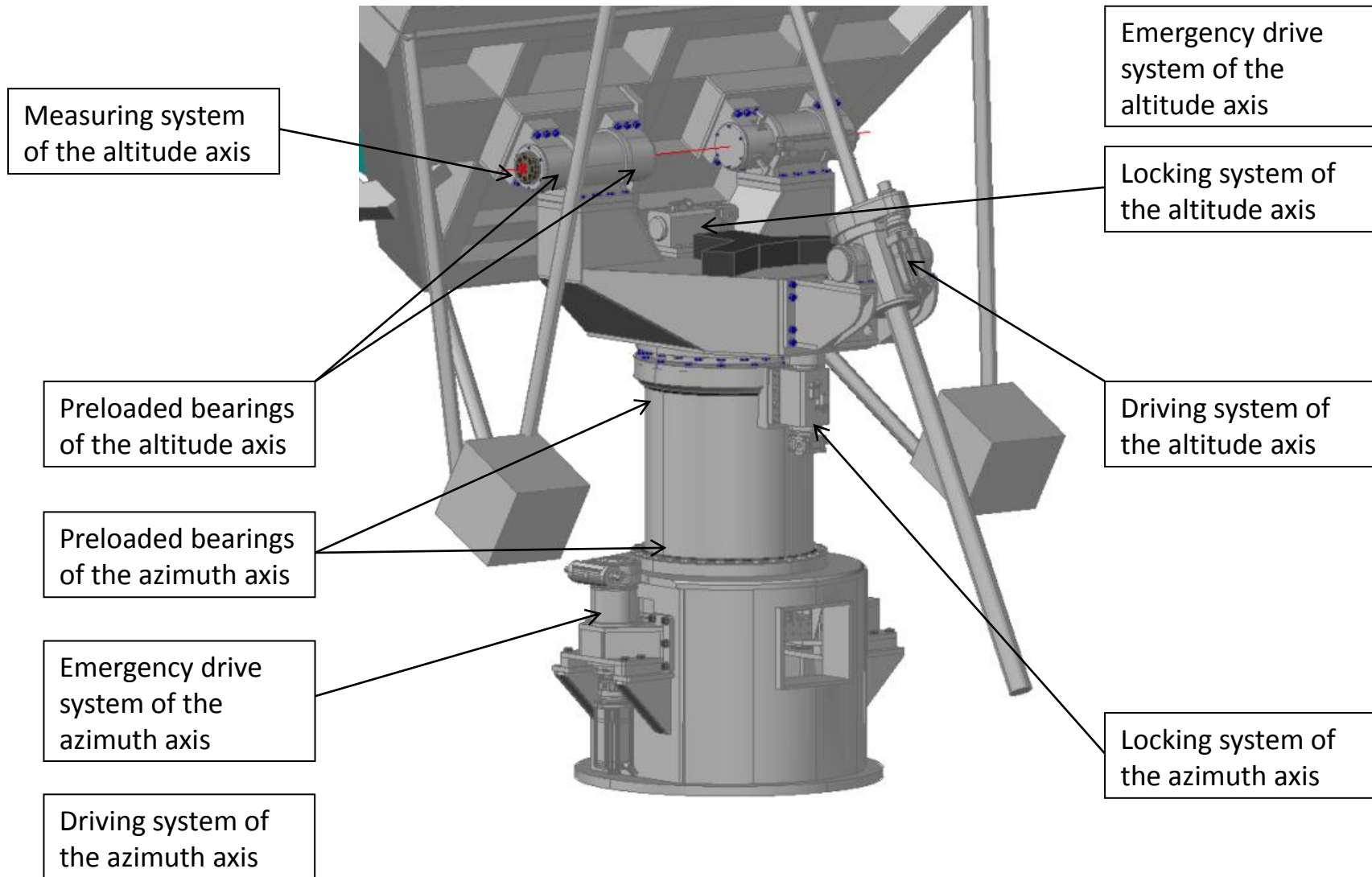


- Quadrupod/tube for secondary and camera support:



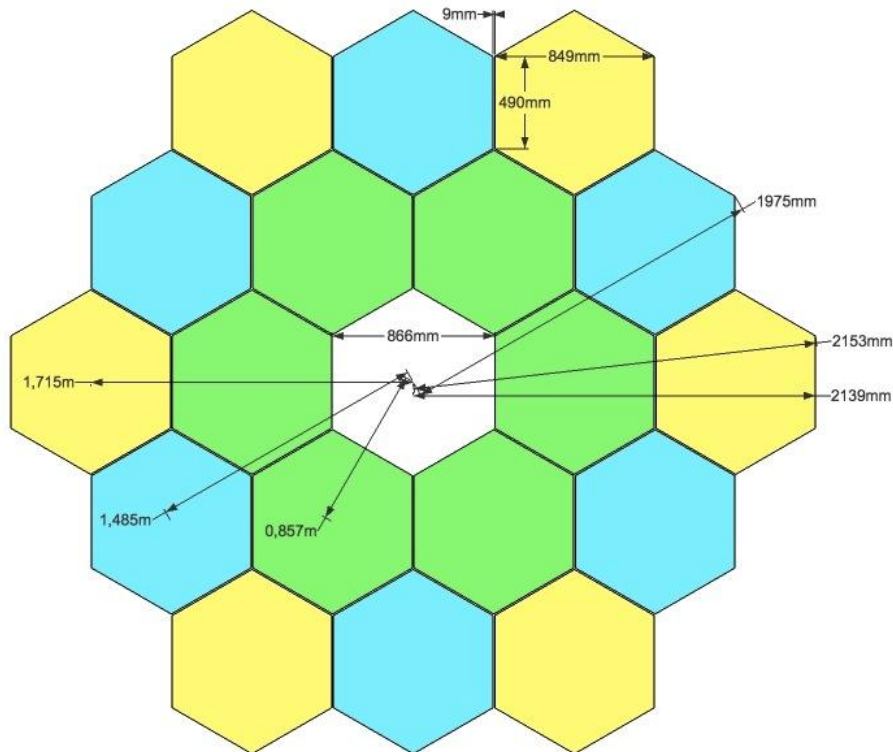
- Legs counteract lateral deformation.
- Tube increases torsional stiffness.

Progress with ASTRI

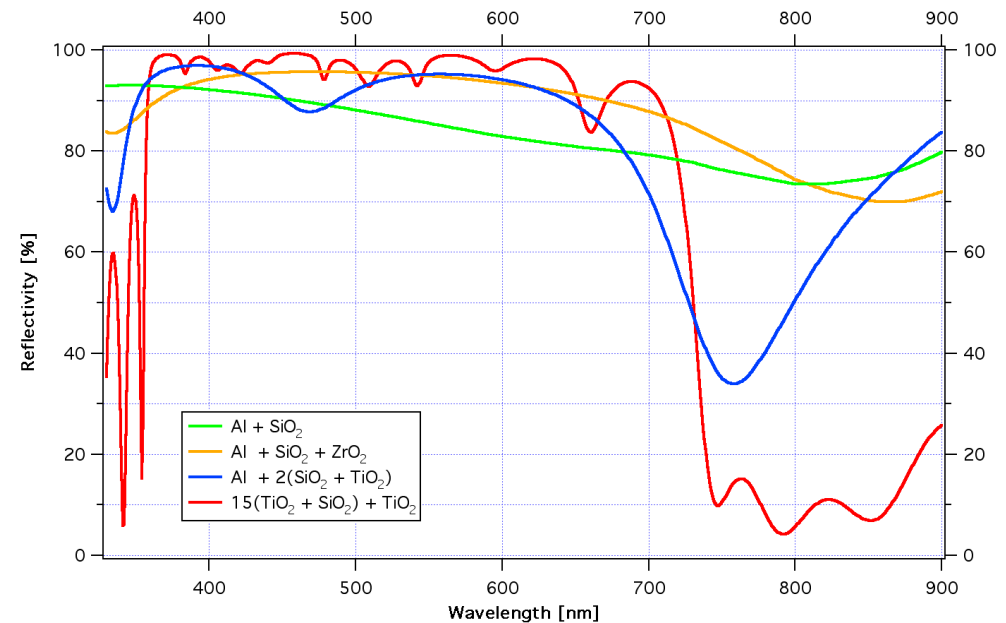


Progress with ASTRI

■ Primary mirror:

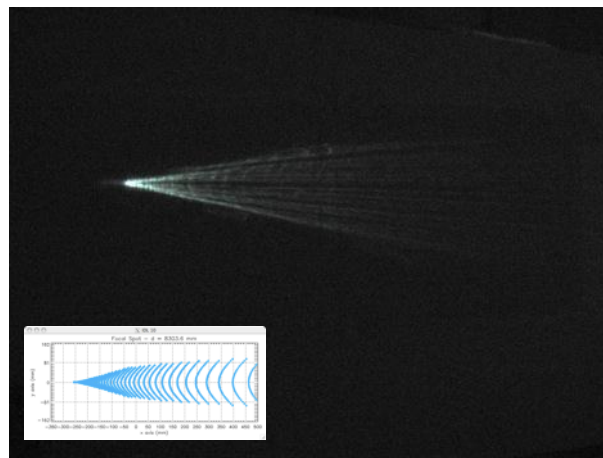
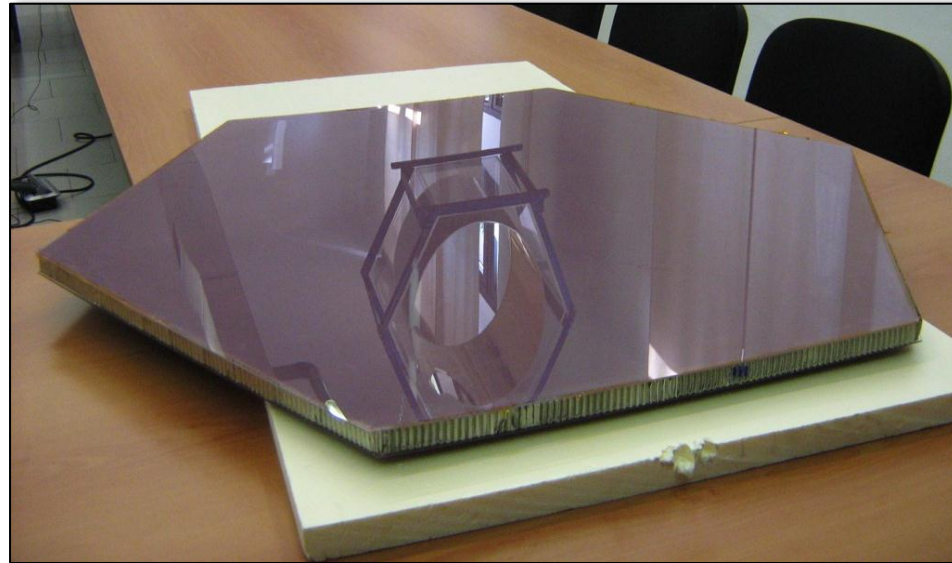


- Solution one, sandwich structure using thin (2 mm) hot slumped glass.
- Solution two, thick (10 mm) hot slumped glass.
- Dielectric coating procedure developed.

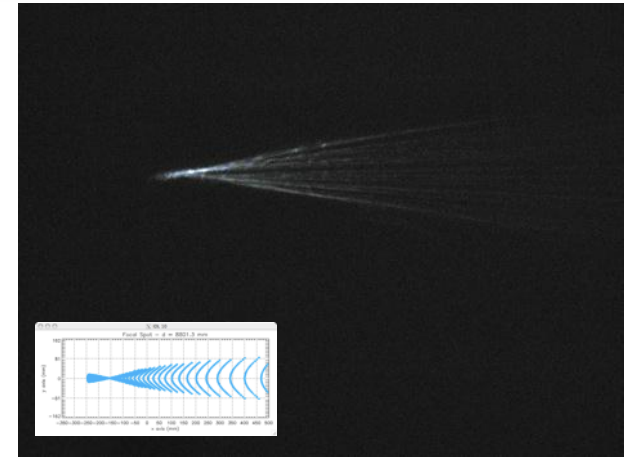


Progress with ASTRI

- First “yellow” hexagonal primary mirror panel delivered.
- Dimensions 850 mm flat-to-flat.
- Thickness 2 mm.
- Radius of curvature ~ 9.4 m.
- Aspherical profile.
- “Almost within specification”



PSF, 0 mm off axis



PSF, 500 mm off axis

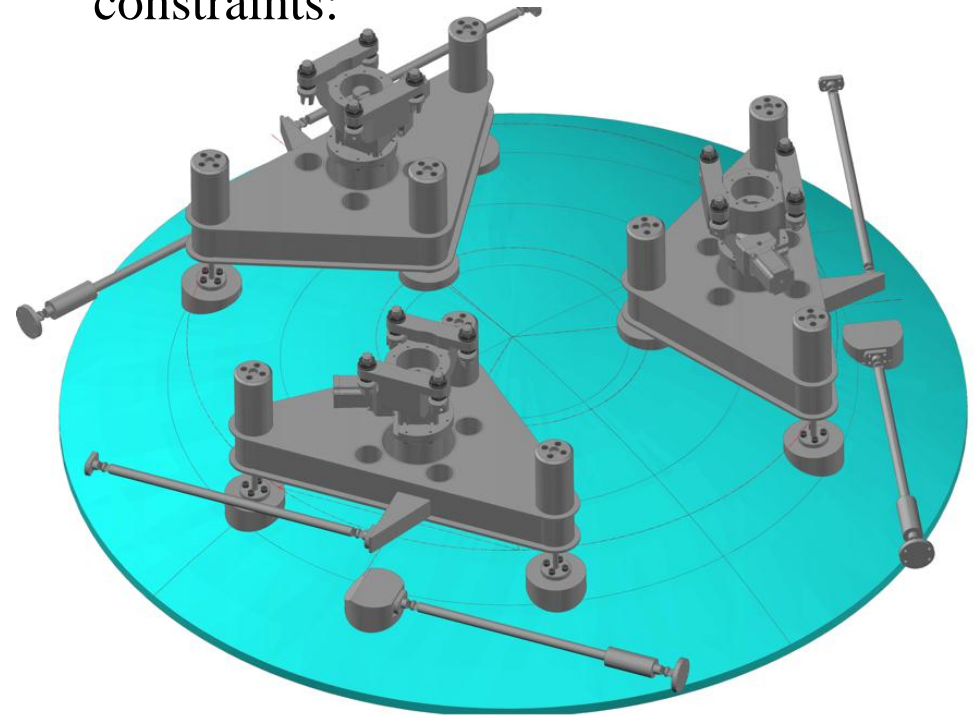
Progress with ASTRI

- Secondary mirror.
- Monolithic.
- Will use pre-shaped honeycomb:



- Optimization of design now underway with US manufacturer.
- Reduces stresses in structure which tend to cause astigmatism.
- Glass, developments with FLABEG.

- Secondary support structure will include three actuators and lateral constraints:



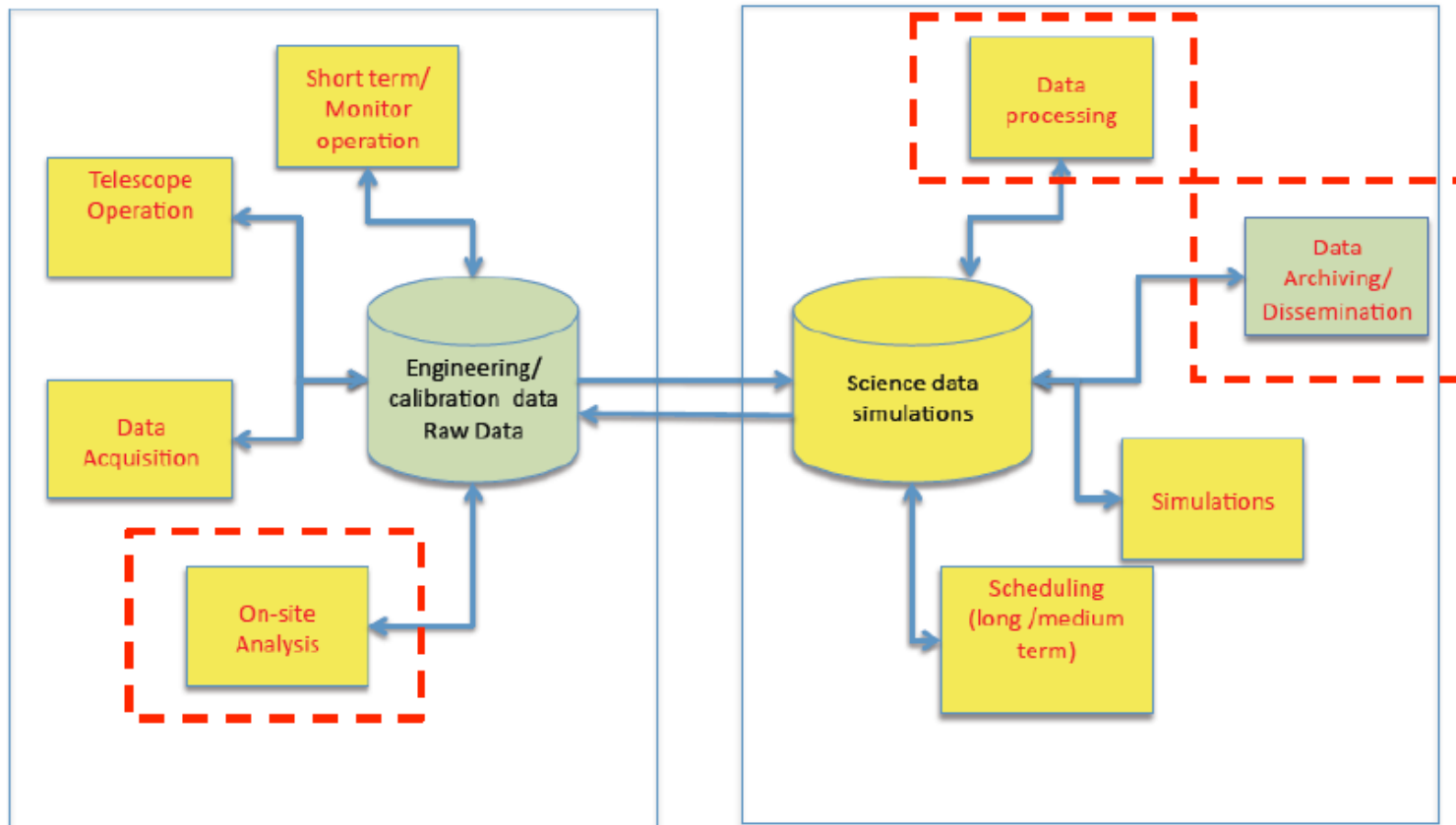
- Actuators will be connected via whiffletrees to spread load.

Progress with ASTRI

Massimo Trifoglio, Angelo Antonelli

- Control framework, use ALMA Common Software (ACS).

- Data handling and archiving under development.



Camera development – ASTRI

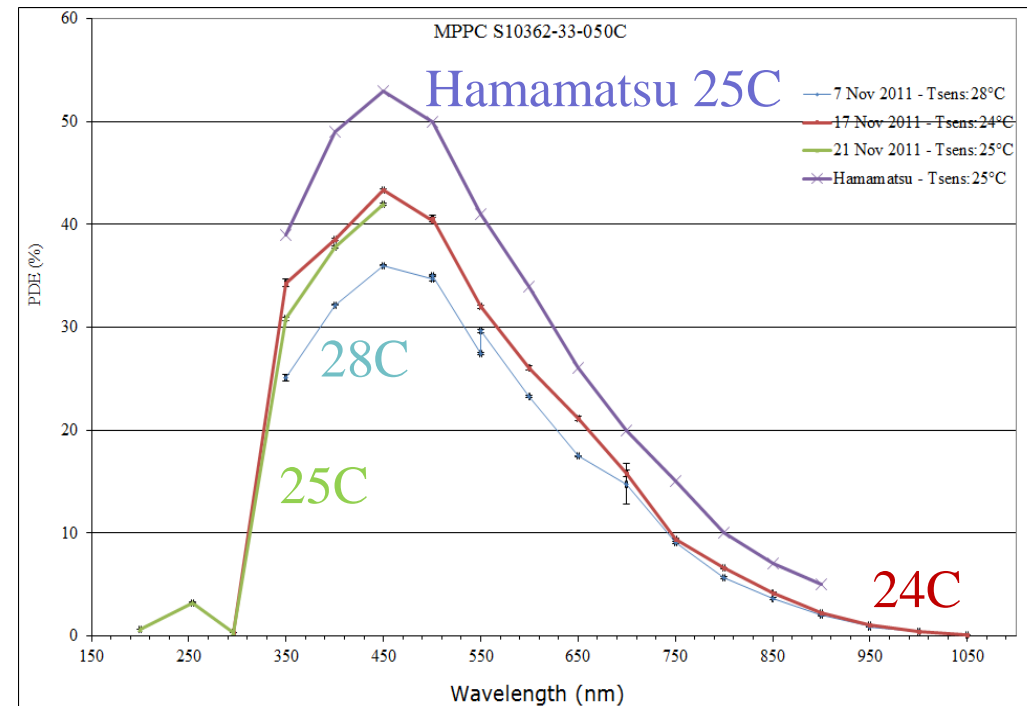
Giovanni La Rosa, Giovanni Bonanno

- Camera based on Hamamatsu SiPMs.
- Readout using EASIROC chip.
- Mechanical and electronic design progressing.



- Camera mass about 25 kg.

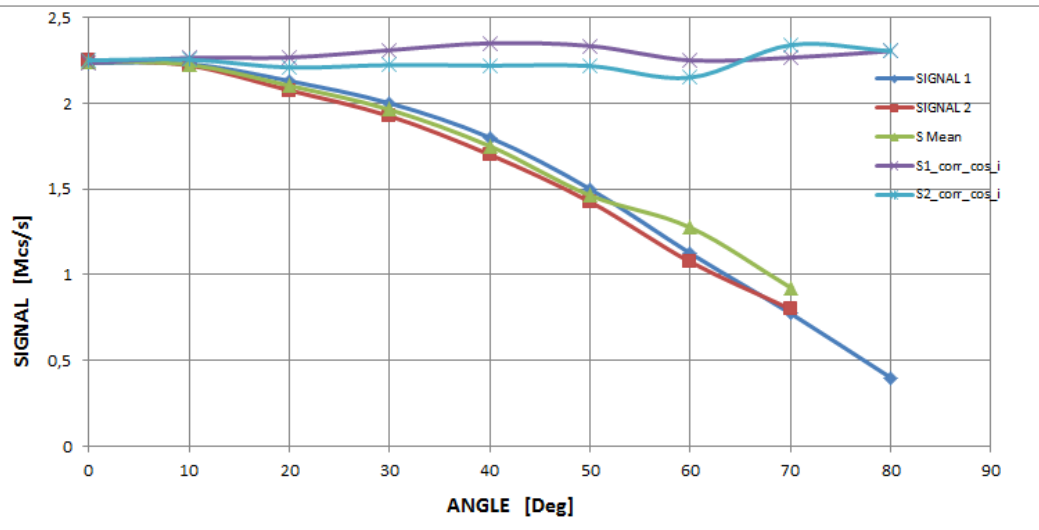
- Characterizing SiPMs, e.g. PDE:



- Catania measurements corrected for cross talk.
- Peak PDE at ~ 450 nm of ~ 40%.

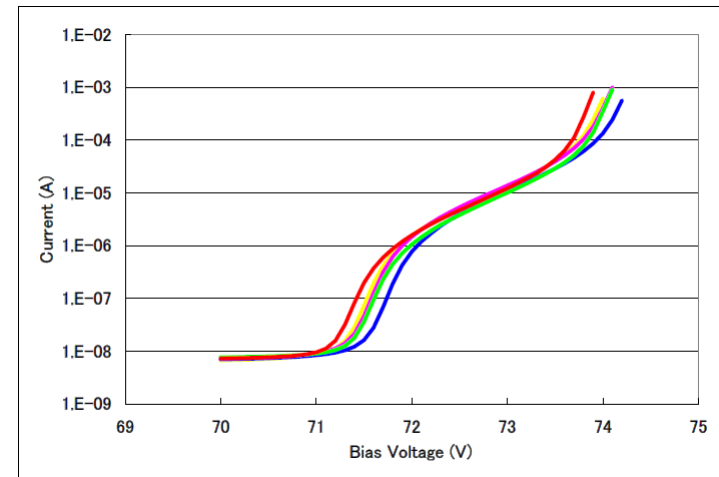
Camera development – ASTRI

- Signal as func. of incidence angle of light on SiPM:



- Signal decreases with $\cos \theta$, i.e. in proportion to light hitting sensor, to angles of incidence of (at least) 80° .

- ASTRI consortium has received 530 SiPM.
- I-V tests at Hamamatsu being repeated in Catania.



- Establishing quality control procedures for camera construction.

Pointing

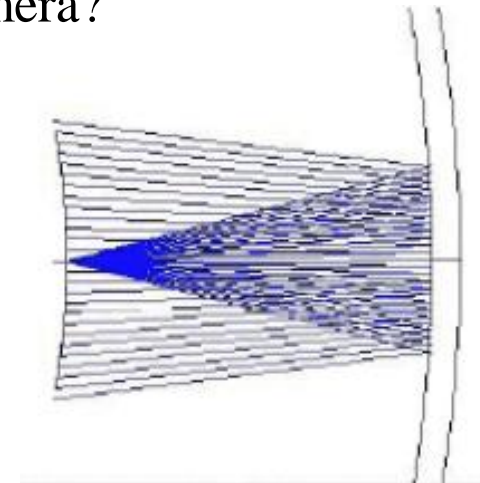
Jacco Vink

- Dutch contribution to CTA.
- Determine position of images to high accuracy.
- E.g. by imaging stars during observations.
- Use camera?
 - ◆ Saturation?
 - ◆ How many stars/field needed?
- Alter camera?
 - ◆ Replace one module/pixel by CCD camera?
 - ◆ Use light guides between modules?
- Funding sought.

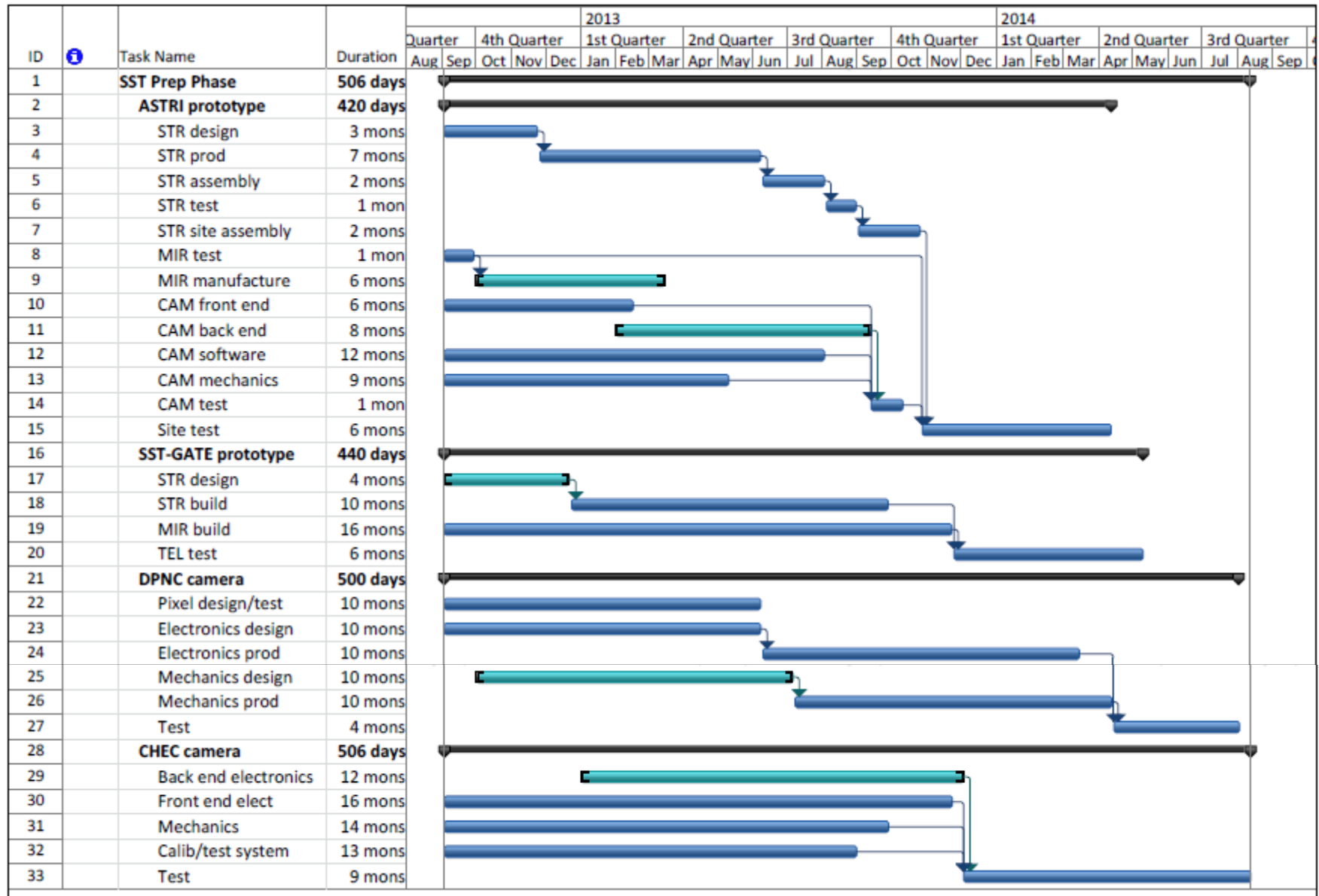
Calibration

Alberto Segreto, Michael Daniel

- Use “photon statistics”: variance of NSB images.
- Verified with UVscope at Auger.
- Use calibration system; need flat, uniform, fast pulse at right wavelength.
- Look e.g. at LEDs with suitable driver circuit.
- With monolithic secondary, can mount on camera?



Developing overall SST project planning



Summary

- We have a 7 m DC SST structure “ready to go”.
- Ideas on how to mass produce a SiPM-based camera for a Davies-Cotton telescope are being developing.
- Funding is being sort to pursue this option and build a prototype device.
- A first design of a telescope of 4 m diameter has been produced to match this camera.
- Dual Mirror prototypes suitable for MAPM-based and SiPM-based cameras are progressing well.
- The design and prototyping of the mirrors for these telescopes is going well.
- The design of cameras for the DM prototypes is progressing.
- Calibration and pointing concepts are being developed.
- Much will be known at the end of 2013 that will allow the writing of the SST section of the Technical Design Report for CTA.