

# ATA Performance (esp. ATA42A configuration) 09-Sep-2013

Table 1: Detailed Performance and goals for ATA42, ATA-42A<sup>1</sup>, ATA-350

Parameter	ATA-42 Value 2005	ATA-42A Value 2014	ATA- 350 Value	Unit	Comment
Number of Dishes	42	42	350		Currently 42
Dish Diameter (Welch et al., 2009)	6.1 (20')	6.1	6.1	m	
Total Collecting Area	1227	1227	10,215	m <sup>2</sup>	
Aperture Efficiency (Harp et al., 2011)	60%	60%	60%		
Effective Area	736	736	6129	m <sup>2</sup>	
Ts <sub>sys</sub> (typ.)	1.4 GHz	60	35	35	K
	8.4 GHz	400	50	50	K
System Equivalent Flux Density (smaller is better)	1.4 GHz	225	131	16	Jy
	8.4 GHz	1500	188	23	Jy
Array Diameter	300 m	300 m	2 km		
Field of View	3.5°/f <sub>GHz</sub>	3.5°/f <sub>GHz</sub>	3.5°/f <sub>GHz</sub>	Deg	0.5° at 7GHz
Synthesized Beam	Gaussian	Gaussian	Gaussian		To 10% power level
Max.Deviation from Gaussian	20%	20%	1%		
FWHM of Synthetic Beam (snapshot)	360/f <sub>GHz</sub>	360/f <sub>GHz</sub>	60/f <sub>GHz</sub>	arcsec	Natural weighting zenith
Frequency Range	From	0.5	0.5	0.5	GHz
	To	9	10+	15	GHz
Polarization (dual-linear)					
Leakage	5%	5%	5%		
Fully calibrated	1.5%	1%	1%		
Antenna Pointing					
Wind 0-15 mph	6"	6"	6"		
Wind 15-30 mph	24"	24"	24"		
Wind > 30 mph	Stow	Stow	Stow		
Wind < 100 mph	Survive	Survive	Survive		
Slew Time	120 s	120 s	120s	S	Max time
Max. Tracking Speed	3°/s	3°/s	3°/s		Track LEOs

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<sup>1</sup> "A" stands for "Antonio Feed Upgrade." Over the next 18 months, all antennas will be upgraded with improved receivers with lower T<sub>sys</sub> and greater frequency range.