

Meteor Radar SDR Receiver (FUNcube Dongle)

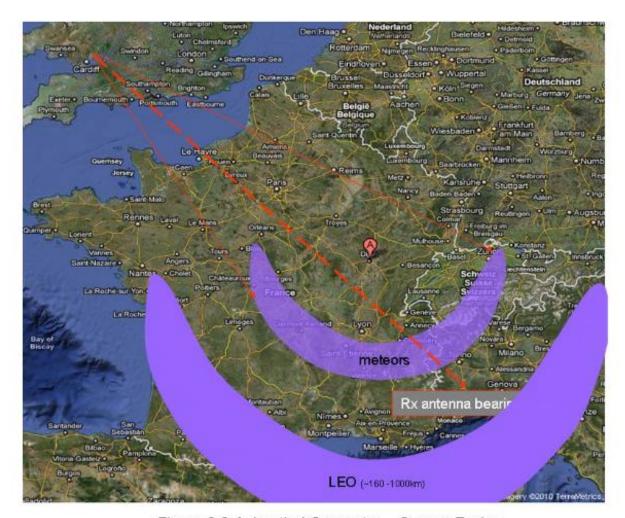
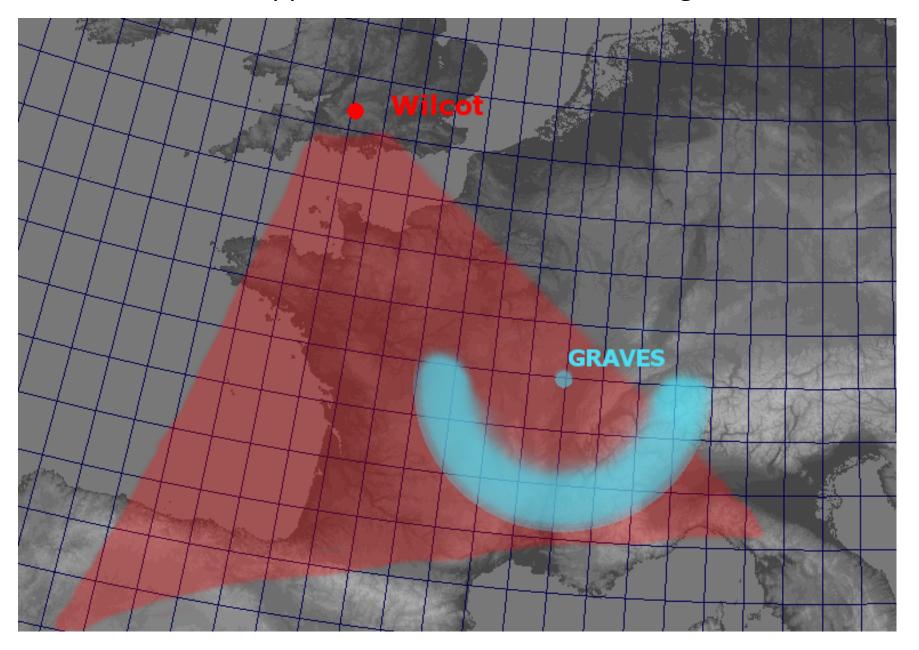


Figure 3.3 Azimuthal Geometry – Graves Radar

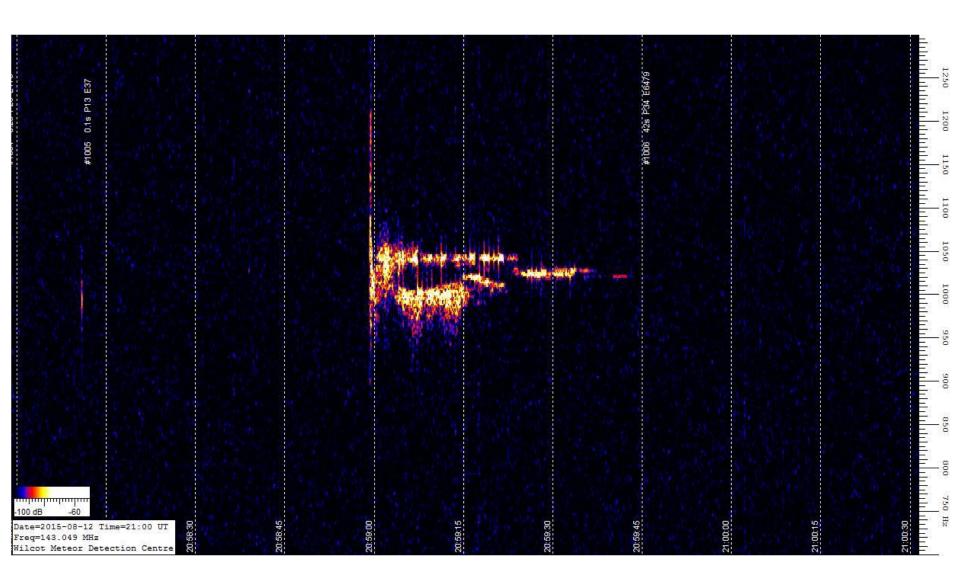
Approximate Wilcot radio coverage



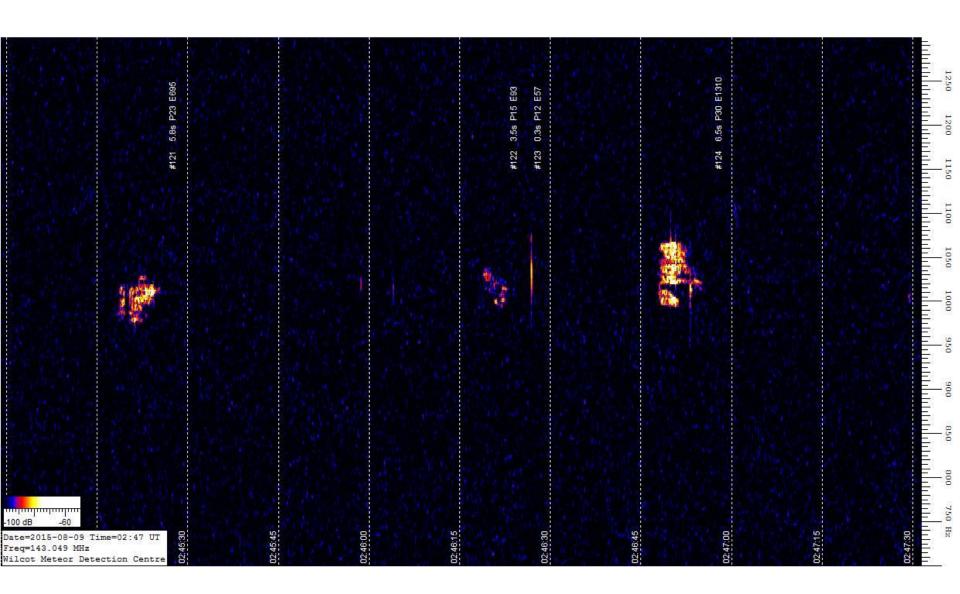
12th August 2015 20:58:59 UT - Very bright Perseid



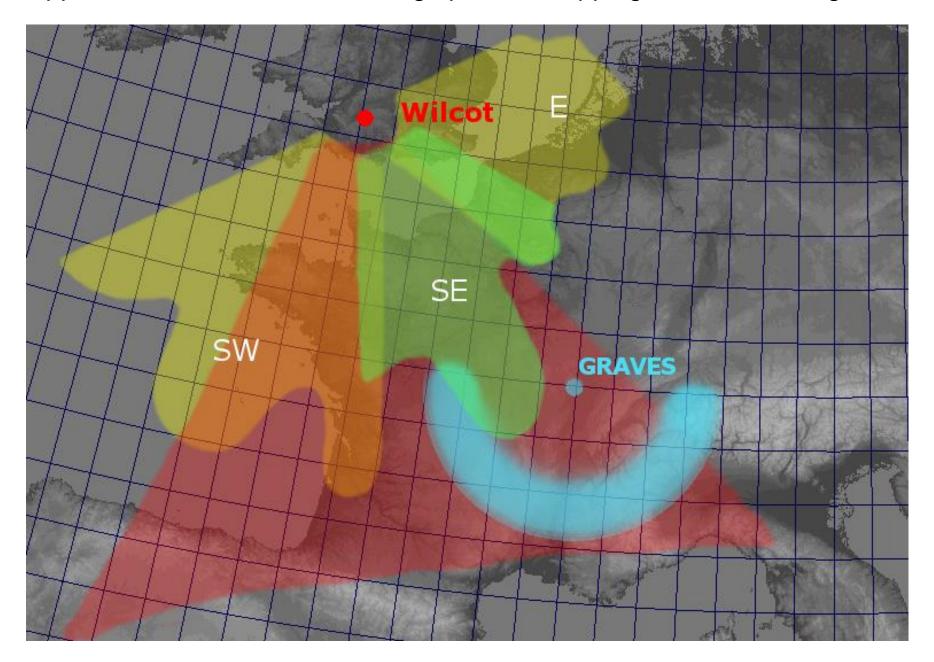
12th August 2015 20:58:59 UT - Strong radio event



Spectrum Lab waterfall plot during the Perseids



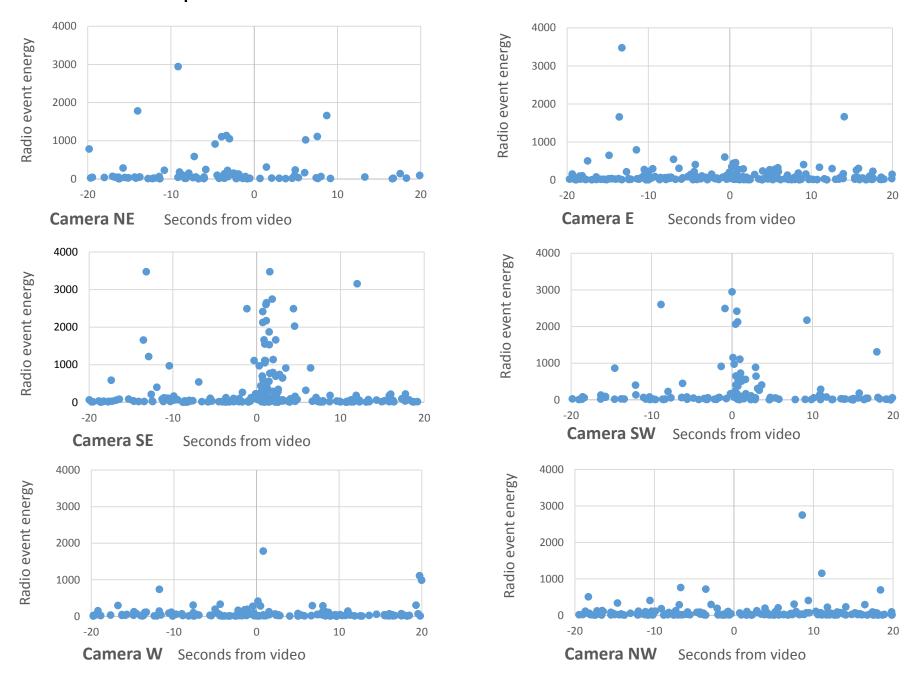
Approximate Wilcot radio coverage plus overlapping camera coverage



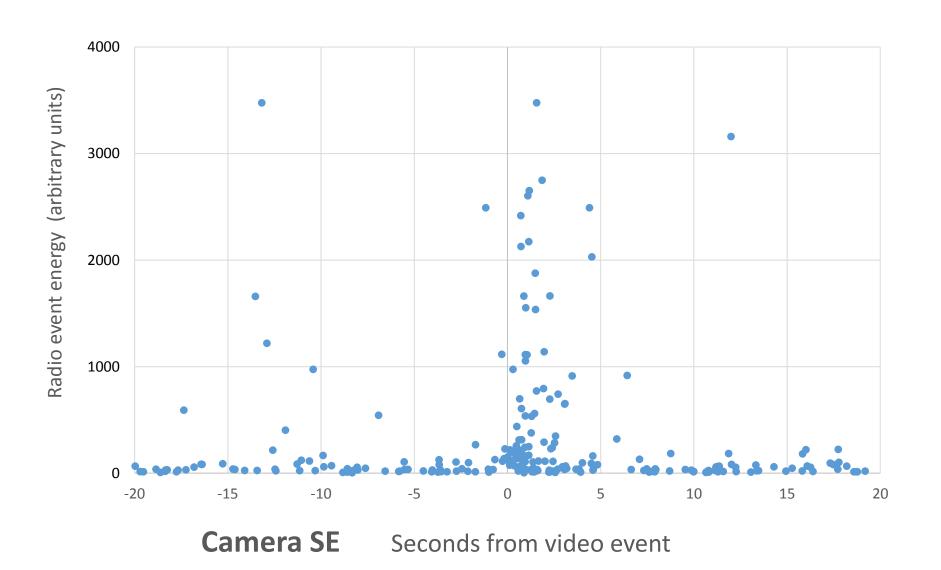
Analysis

- Logs from Spectrum Lab script
- UFOAnalyzer Mcsv files
- 1st July 2015 to 12th August 2015
- 21,010 radio events
- 3,076 meteor events
- Each camera processed separately
- Merged and sorted by time in Excel
- Video events compared with nearest radio events
- Selected
 - energy > 500
 - 1 second before up to 5 seconds after video time
 - 52 candidates

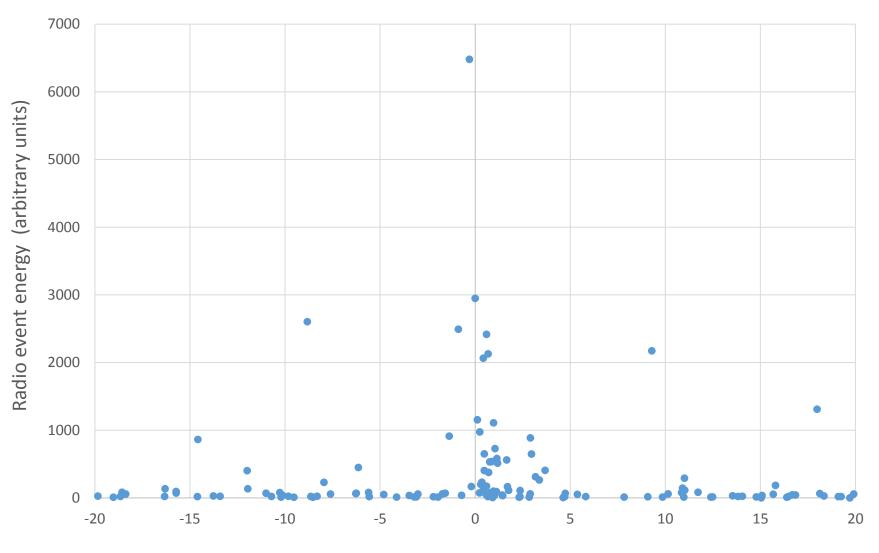
Comparison of video times with the nearest radio event



Video and radio time differences



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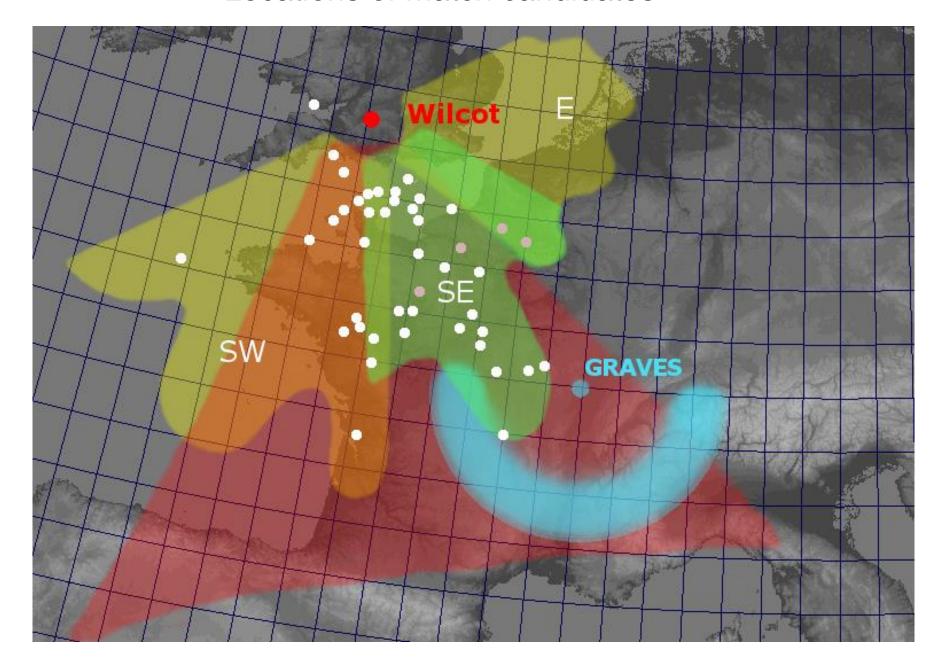


Camera SW Seconds from video event





Locations of match candidates



Conclusions

- The initial expectation was too pessimistic
- GRAVES radar echoes detected from the UK are not limited to meteors over southern France
- Meteors over the English Channel were detected by radio reflection from GRAVES
- Stations further north in the UK should be able to do the same
- A simple timing comparison using spreadsheets is sufficient to identify the brighter events
- Enough events can be identified to make further investigation worthwhile