

[P02] PFS Pointing Planner (PPP): optimal tiling algorithm for PFS open-use programs

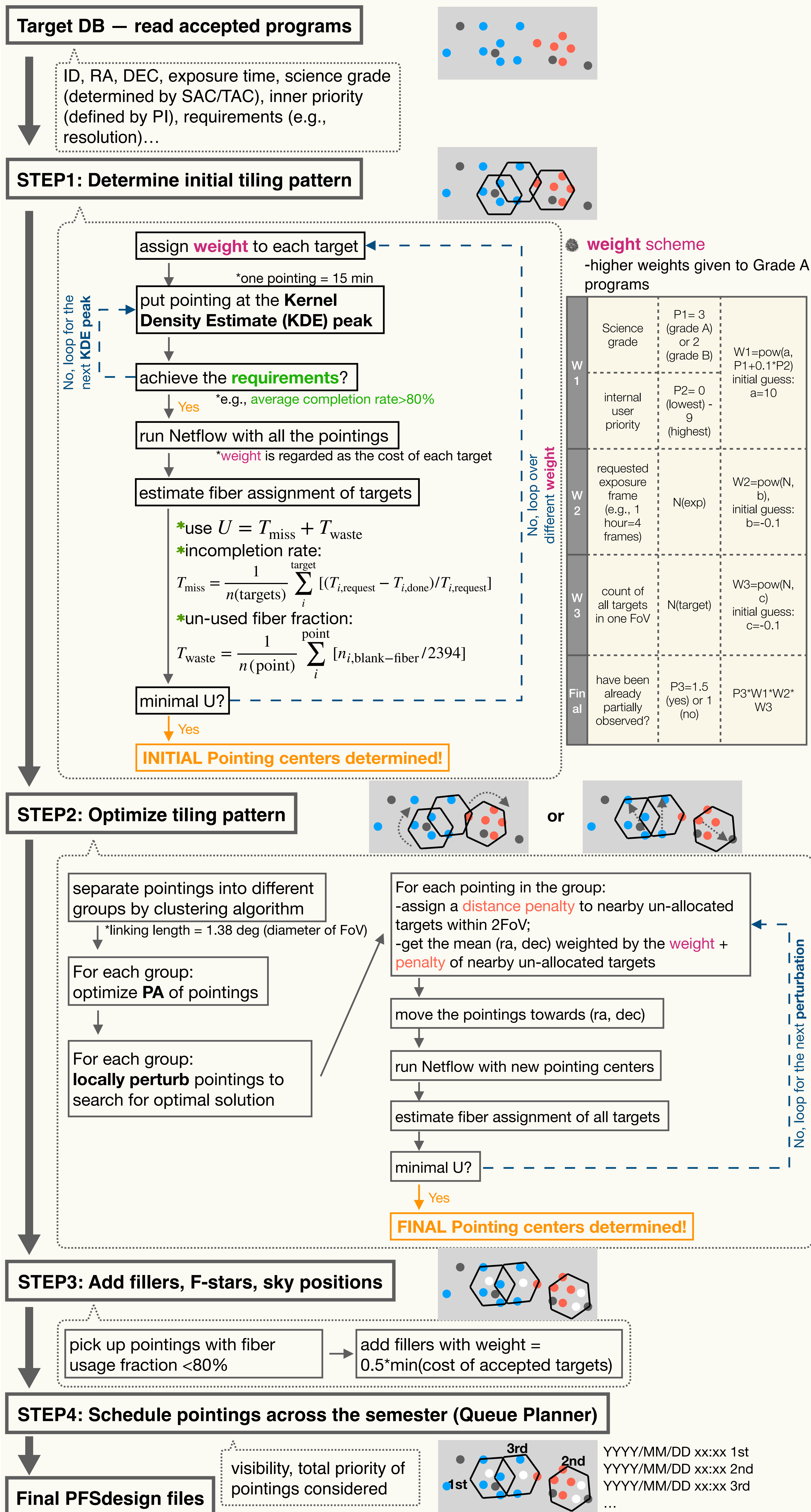
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Introduction

Subaru Prime Focus Spectrograph (PFS) is a fiber-fed multiplex system, which enables acquisition of around 2000 spectra of science objects simultaneously over a wide hexagonal field of 1.38 deg on the sky. Its innovative features are expected to help make great improvements in various science fields.

- to efficiently utilize all fibers, it plans to **share fibers** among multiple open-use programs
- Problem: **WHERE TO POINT the TELESCOPE?** → different programs can have **different science priority, spatial density/distribution, exposure time**, etc.
- In this project, we develop **PFS Pointing Planner (PPP)** to **optimize pointing centers** for **PFS open-use programs**. It enables:
 - to achieve **high completion rate** for accepted programs, while keeping **high fiber usage fraction** in each pointing
 - to connect with **queue Planner** to optimize **scheduling** of pointings considering their **visibility and total priority**

PFS pointing Planner: a general flow-chart



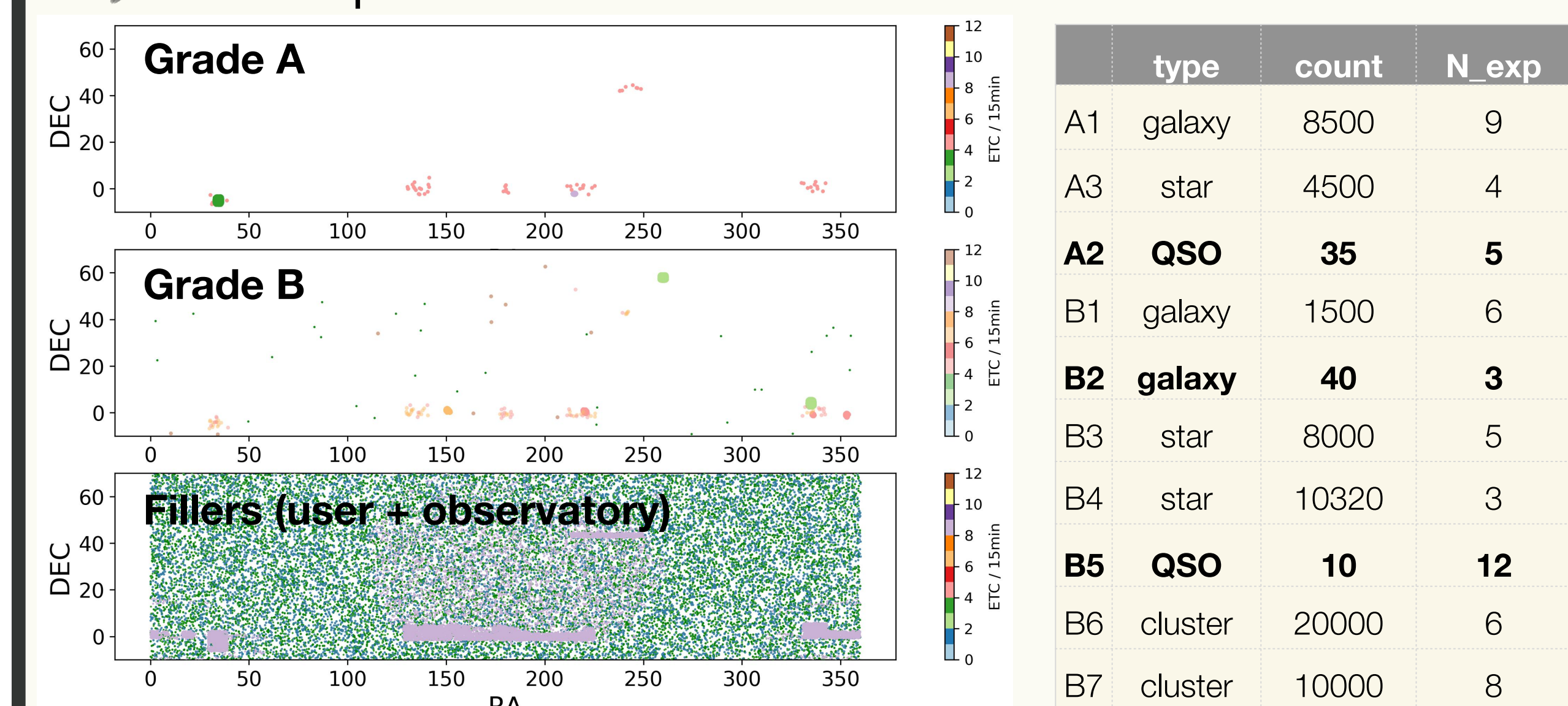
PPP: simulation results

PPP would optimize pointing centers for the whole semester

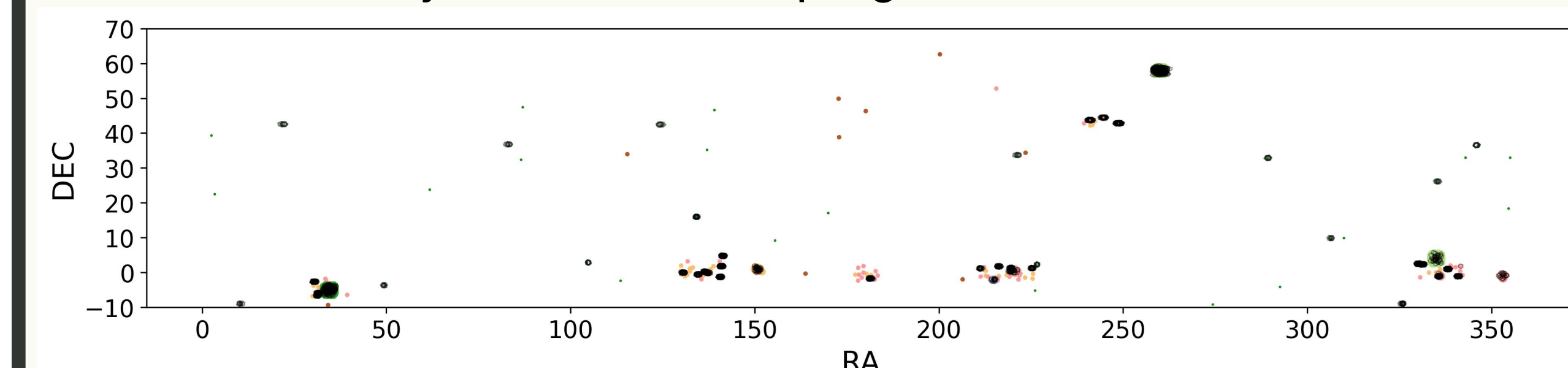
- INPUT:** accepted programs; **requirements**
- OUTPUT:**
 - final tiling pattern (incl. the **total number, center and PA** of pointings), **fiber assignment** of targets, **schedule** of pointings
 - format of output:


```
# point_1, center_ra1, center_dec1, PA1, obs_time1
fiber_1, obj_ID, obj_ra, obj_dec, grade, weight_final, ...
...
# point_2, center_ra2, center_dec2, PA2, obs_time2
fiber_1, obj_ID, obj_ra, obj_dec, grade, weight_final, ...
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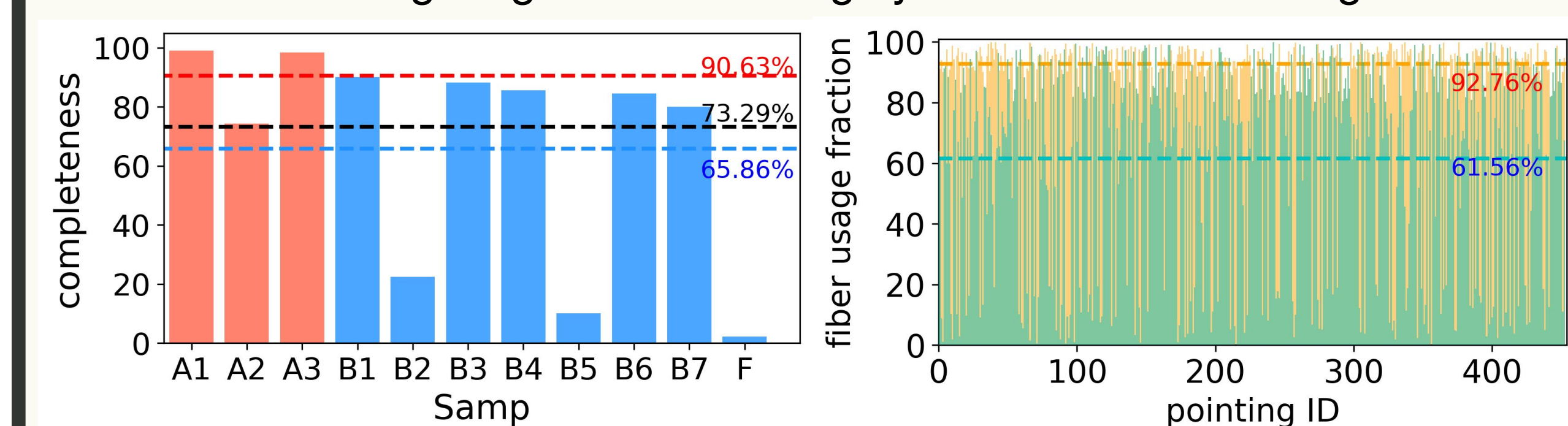
- We run simulation with PPP by
 - requiring **Grade A completion > 90% & Grade B > 65%**
 - test samples used in the simulation:



- PPP outputs (execution time ~ 15 hours):
 - * **453 pointings** (453 * 15 min ~ 113 hours) are required, they can mostly cover Grade A programs



- on average, the set requirement on **completion rate** can be **achieved**
 - for low-density programs
 - if Grade A (e.g., A2) → able to complete > 70%
 - elif Grade B (e.g., B2/5) → hard to get high completion rate as targeting at them will highly reduce the fiber usage fraction



- on average, the **fiber usage fraction** can reach **60%** (Cyan histograms);
 - blank fibers can be assigned to fillers; after adding fillers, the fiber usage fraction can reach > 90% (orange histograms)

PPP: online tool

A simplified version of PPP will be provided to help users get an idea of expected completion rate of their science programs

- users need to upload their science programs with RA, DEC, inner priority and requested exposure time
- What will this online tool do?**
 - to simulate if the user program is given **Grade A/B** in the **queue mode**, or assigned to the **classical mode**
 - completion rate & fiber usage fraction** in each case will be provided