

Title: First results from the South Pole Telescope (SPT)

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Abstract: The South Pole Telescope (SPT) is a 10-meter submm-wave telescope optimized for large-field imaging of the cosmic microwave background (CMB) at arcminute resolution. The first key project of the SPT is a large area survey to find galaxy clusters using the Sunyaev-Zel'dovich effect. Combined with optically determined redshifts, the survey yields will be used to place constraints on the nature of dark energy, via its effect on the growth of clusters and the geometry of the universe. Working toward this goal, the SPT has surveyed two 100 square degree fields at high sensitivity. This talk will review the status of the SPT, present some of the first SZ results, and discuss future science with this instrument.



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The logo for the Kavli Institute for Cosmological Physics (KICP) at the University of Chicago, featuring the letters 'KICP' in a bold, red, sans-serif font.

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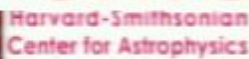




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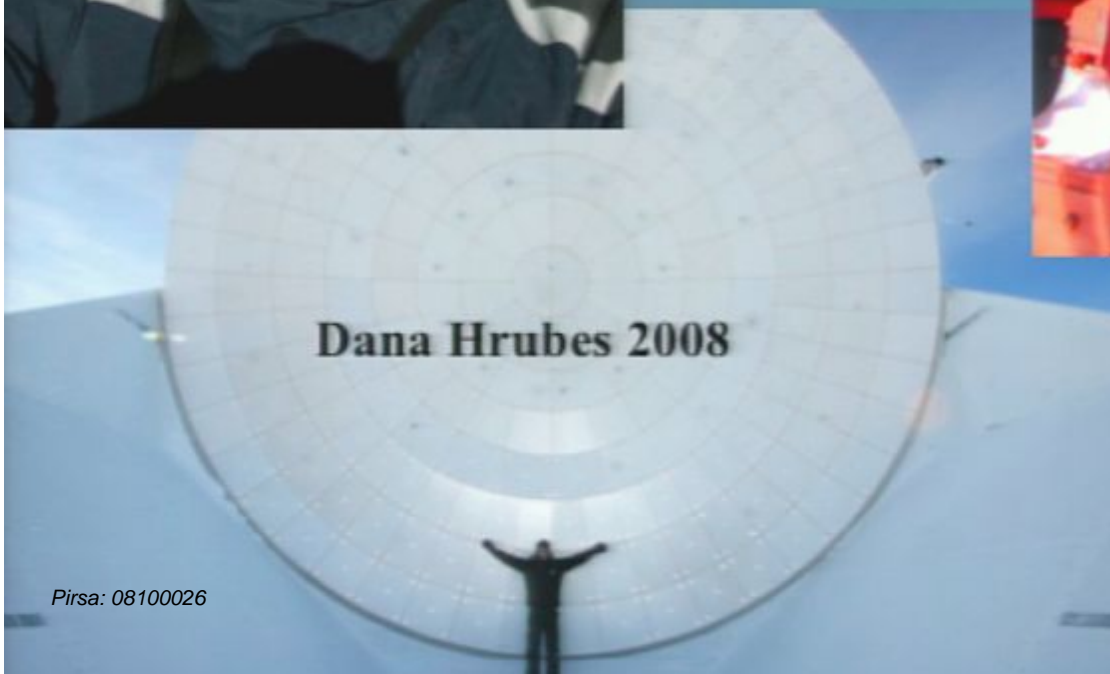
SPT Heroes Gallery



**Keith
Vanderlinde
2008**



**Steve Padin
2007**

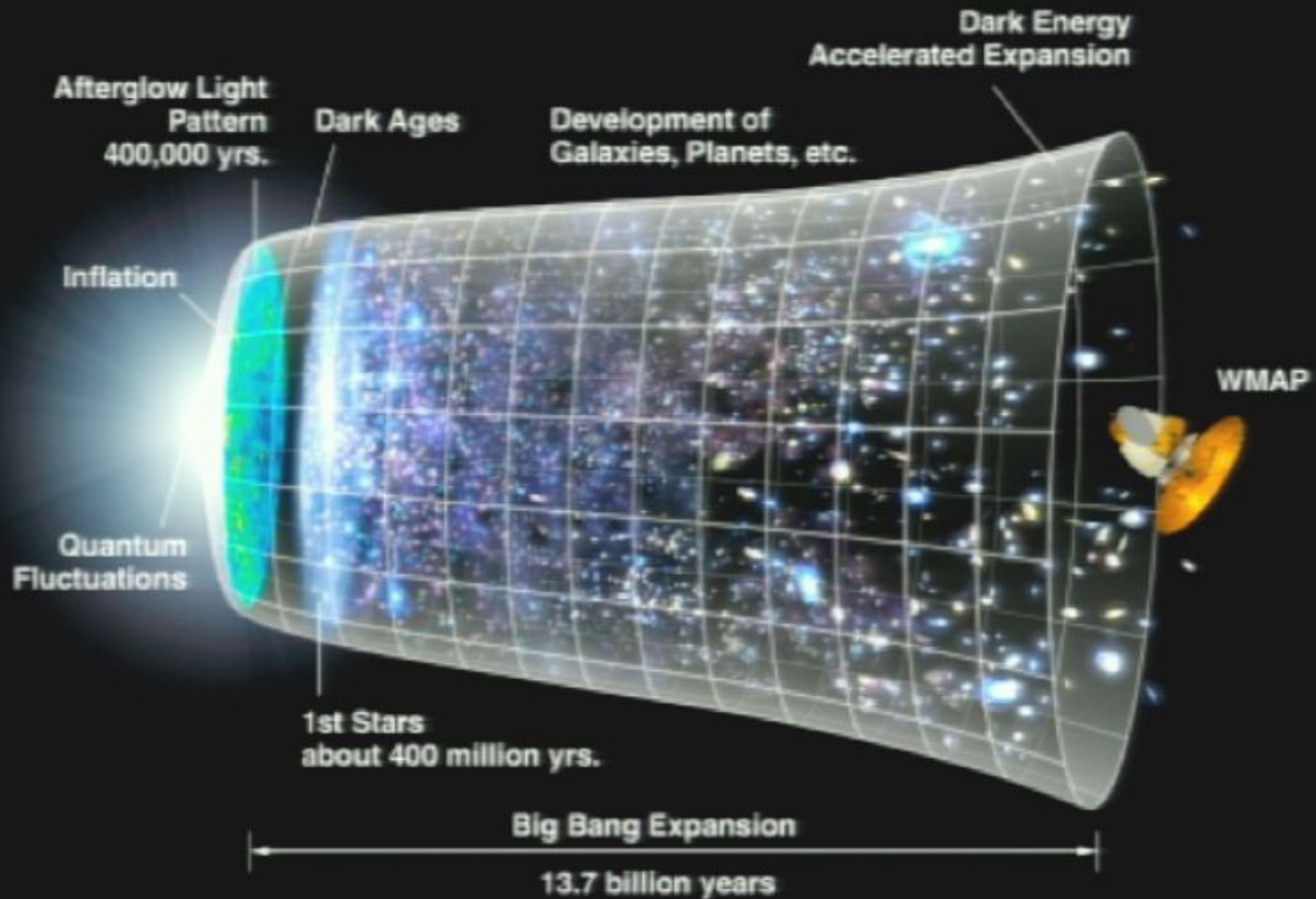


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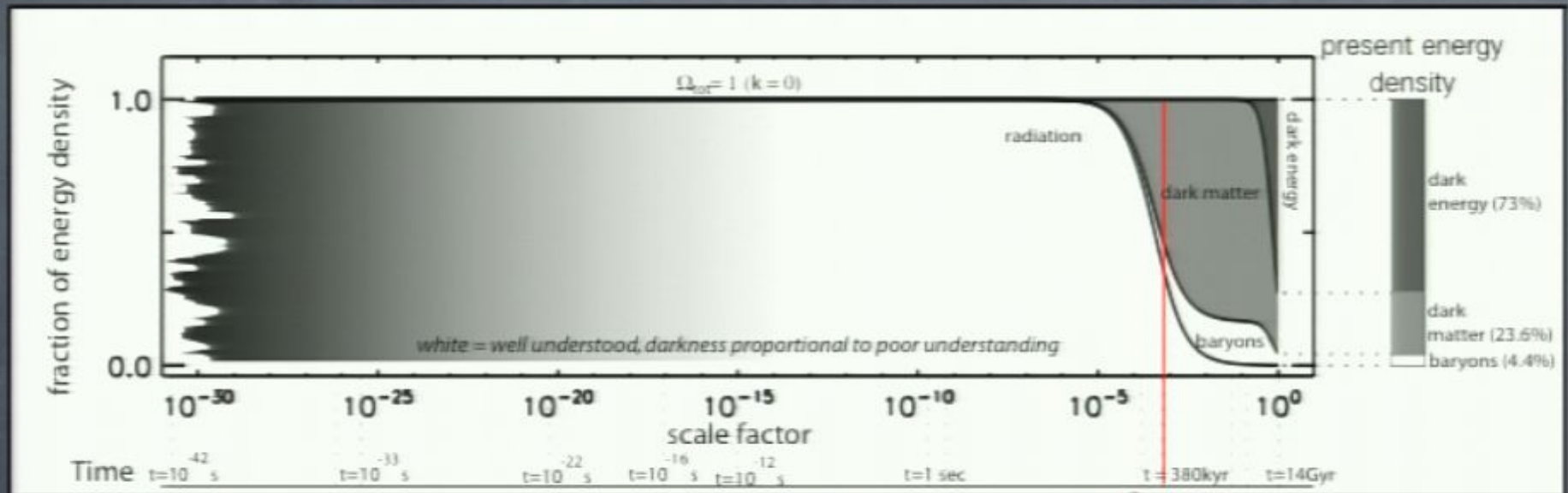


**Zak Staniszewski
2007**

The Cosmic Microwave Background is powerful tool for the study of Cosmology



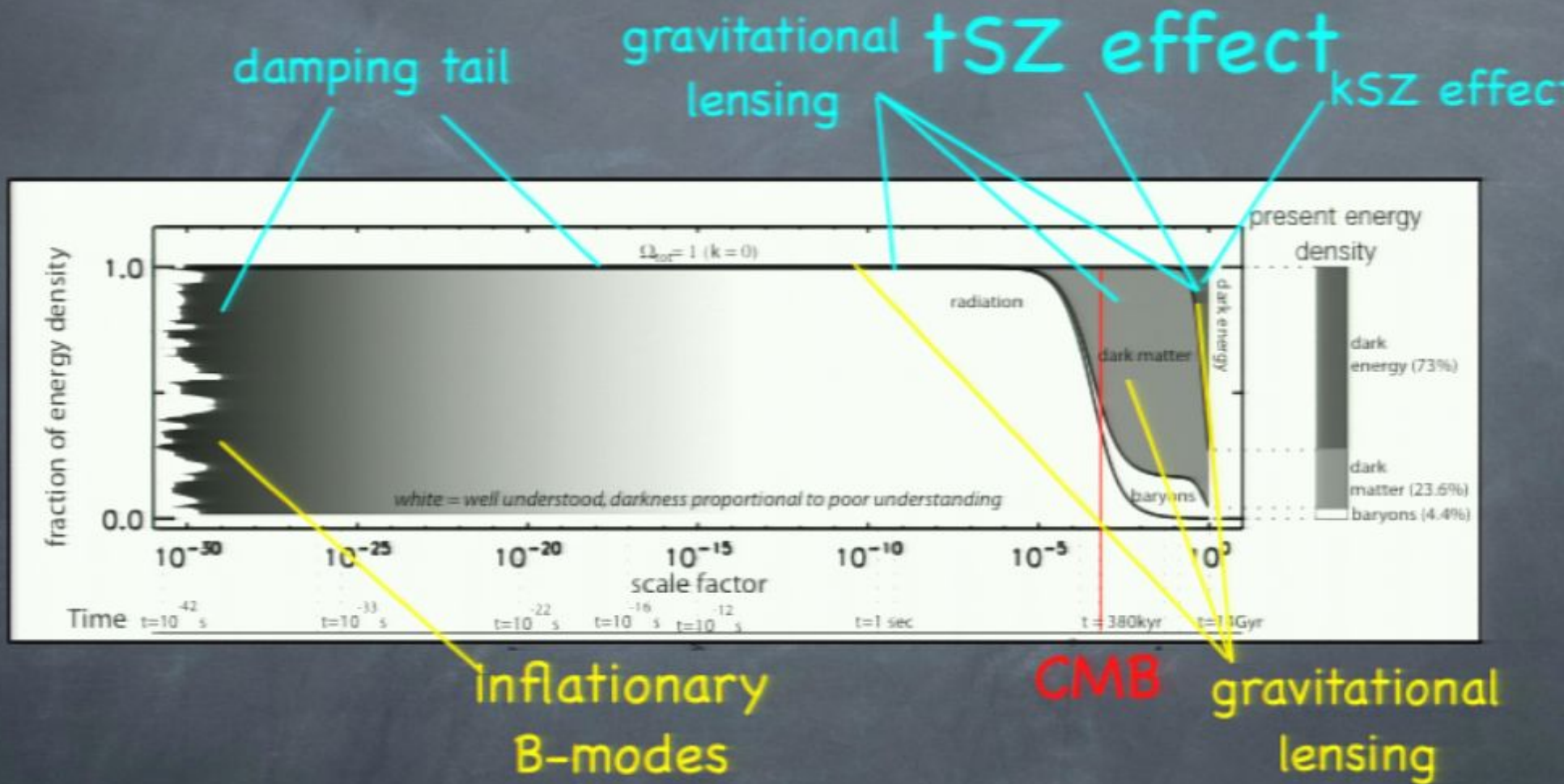
Cosmology



CMB

- We now have a model that describes the evolution of our Universe from a hot and dense state.
- The model has some unusual features - *new physics* -
Dark Matter, Dark Energy, and starts with a period of Inflation
- The CMB radiation we observe has interacted with intervening structure of the universe.
- The CMB also contains minute and undetected signals from the early universe

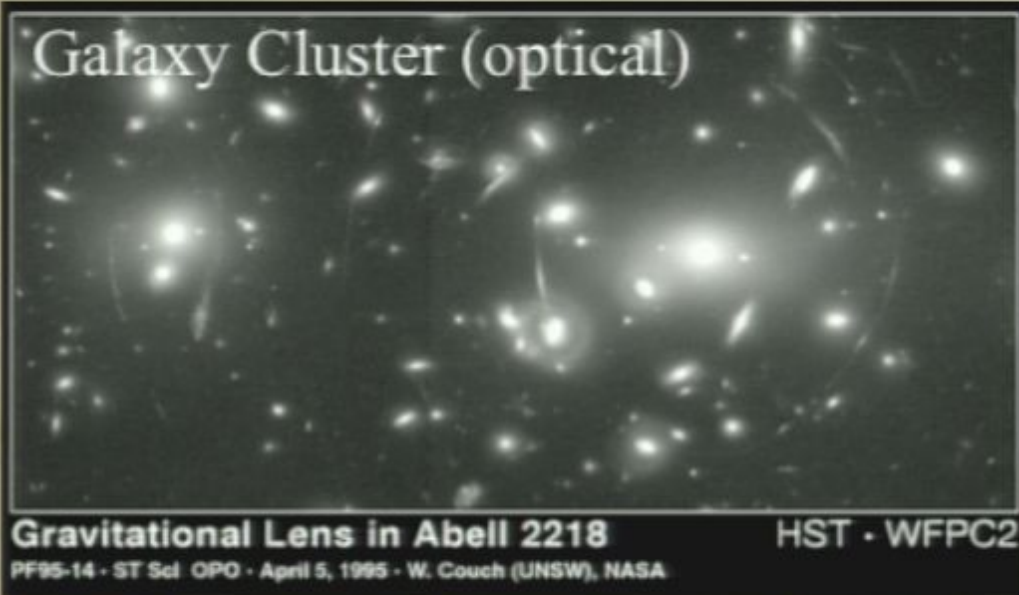
Signals Accessible with SPT



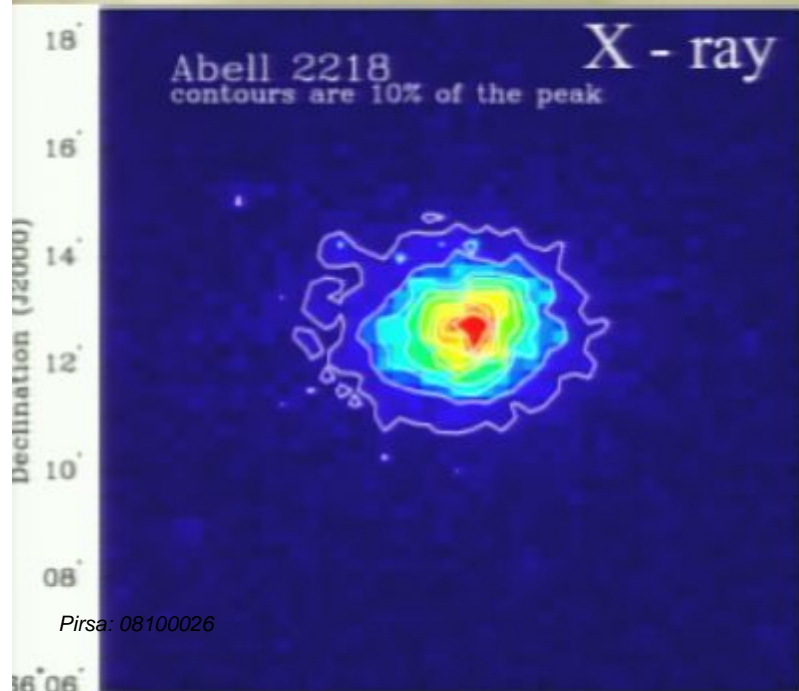
SPTsz - first key project

SPTpol - second key project

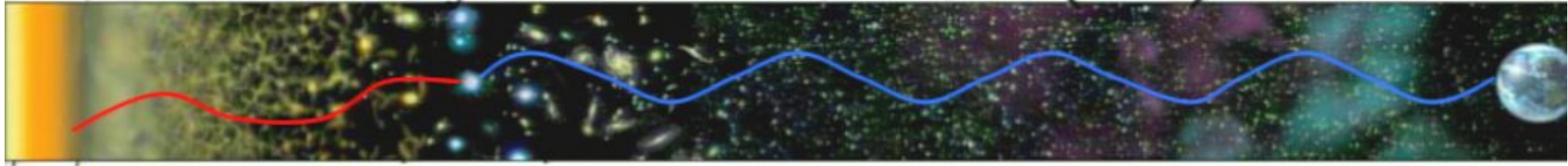
Clusters of Galaxies



- Clusters of galaxies are the largest gravitationally virialized objects in the Universe
- 80-85% of their baryonic mass is in the form of an intra-cluster gas
- This gas is heated as it gravitational collapses into the cluster's gravitational potential well
- For massive clusters this gas can be heated to 100,000,000 Kelvin and is visible via its X-ray emission and the Sunyaev-Zel'dovich (SZ) Effect



The Sunyaev-Zel'dovich (SZ) Effect

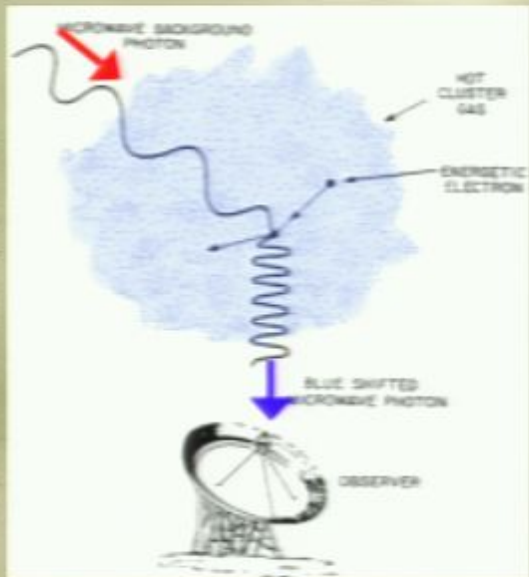


0 379,000 years

CMB photons provide a backlight for structure in the universe.

Present

Adapted from L. Van Speybroeck

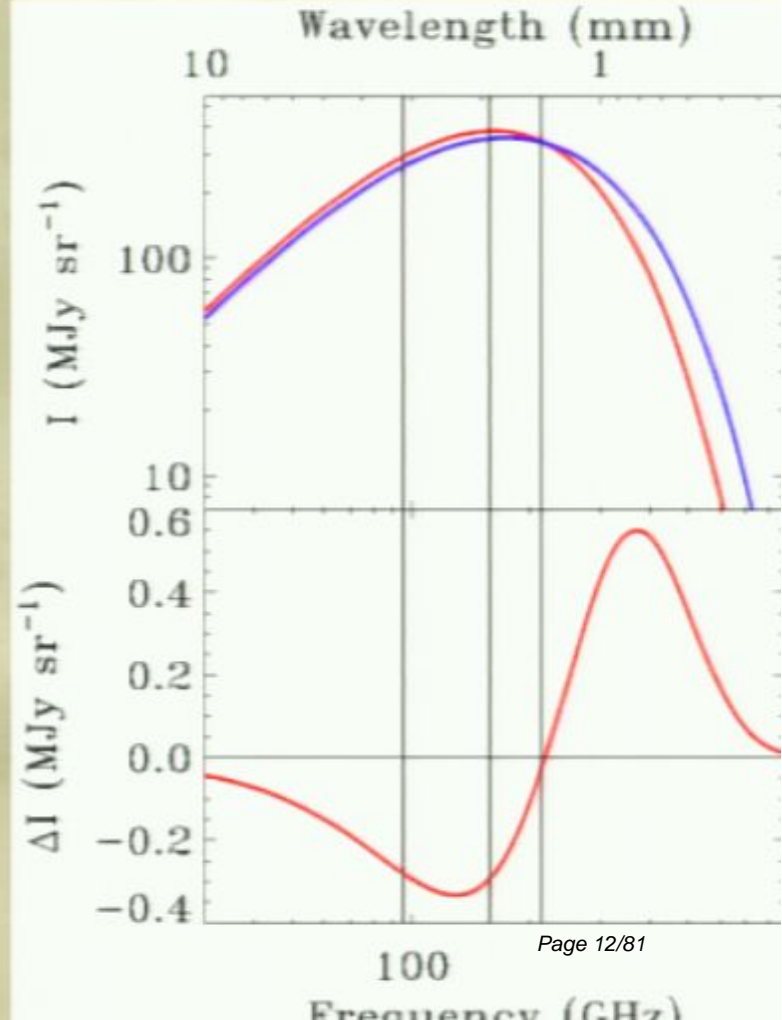


• 1-2% of Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB) photons scatter off of hot intra-cluster gas to higher energy, this is the **Sunyaev-Zel'dovich (SZ) Effect**

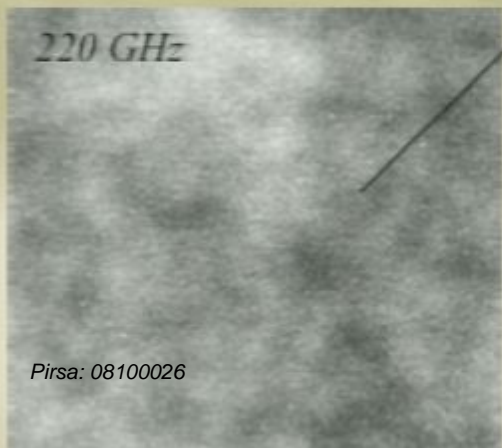
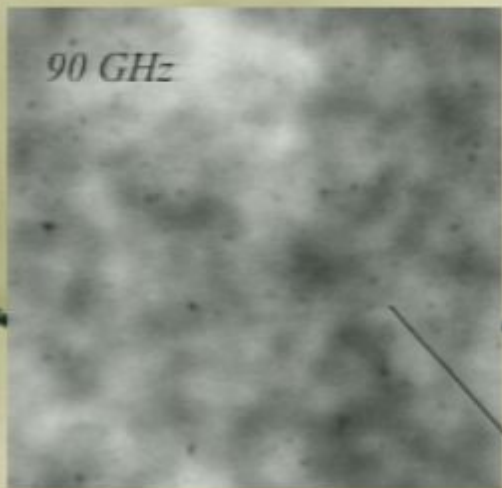
• SZ surface brightness is redshift independent

• Unique spectral signature

• also a kinetic effect due to motion of cluster gas wrt

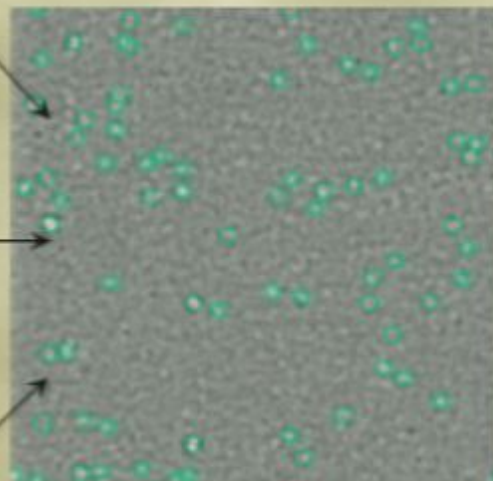


Cosmology with Clusters



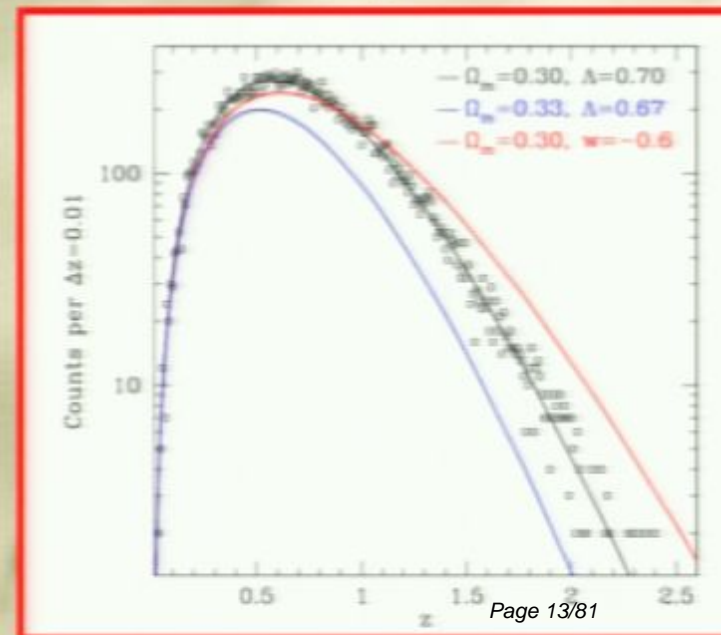
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(Work by Tom Crawford)

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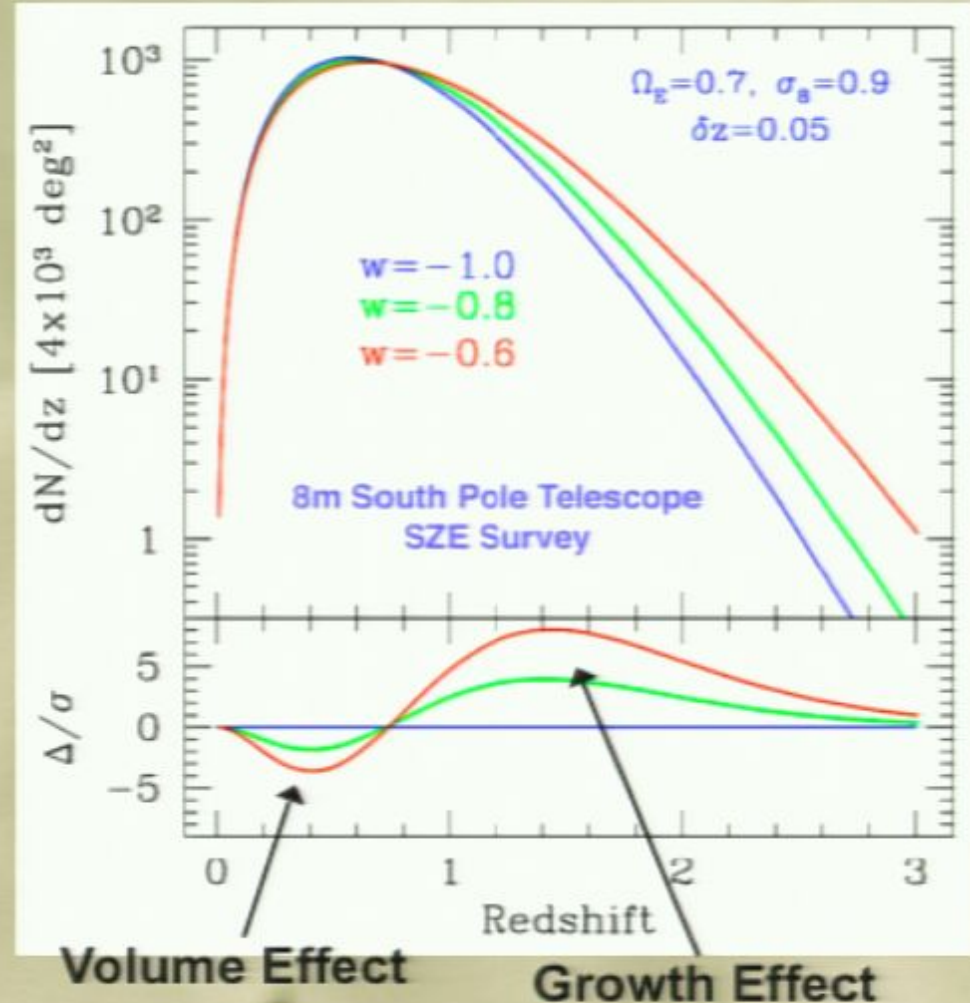
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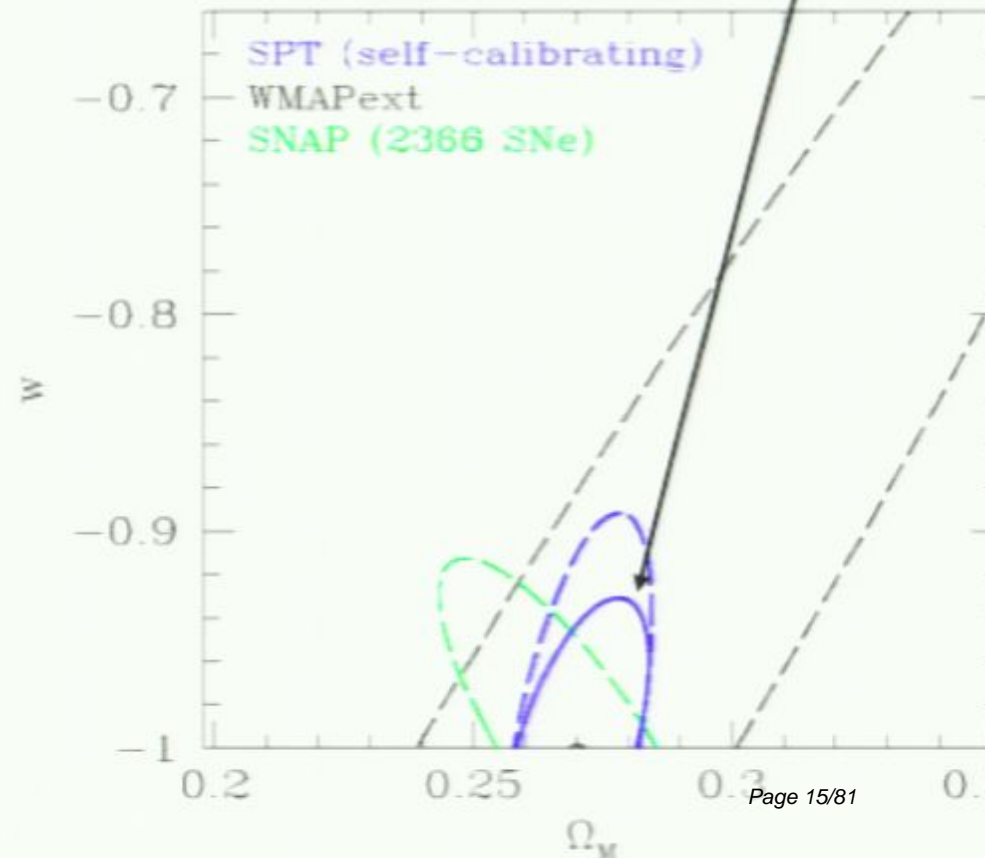
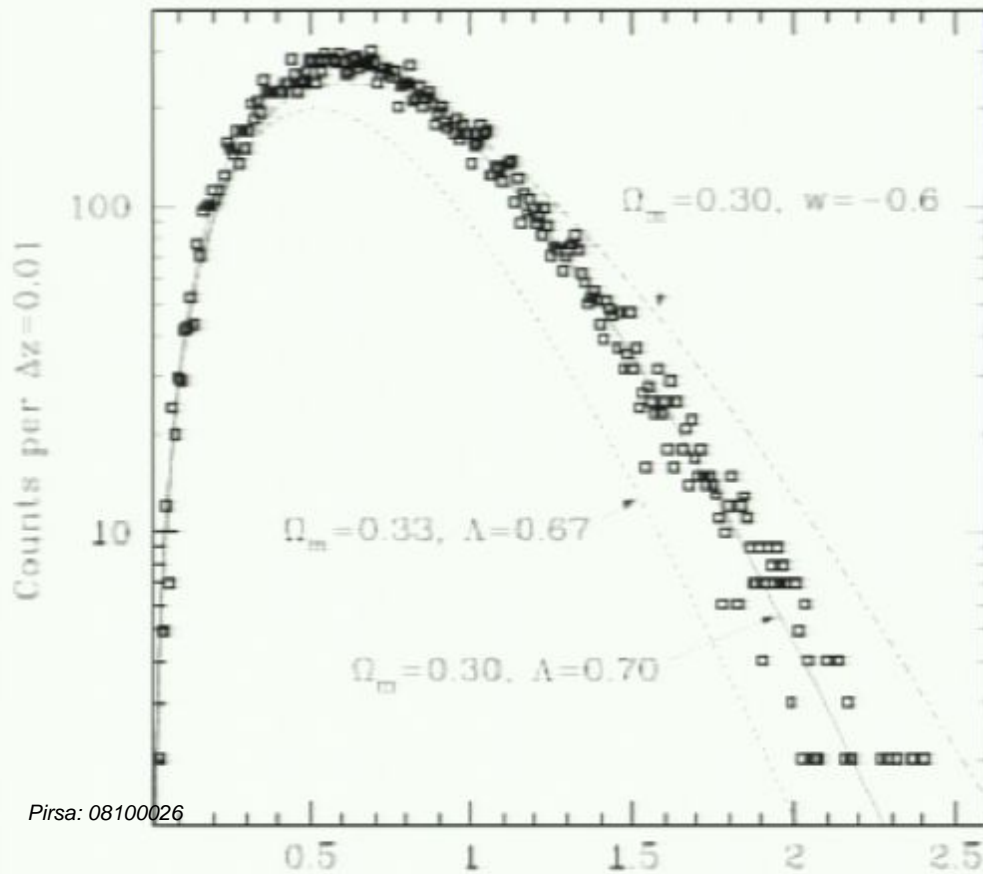
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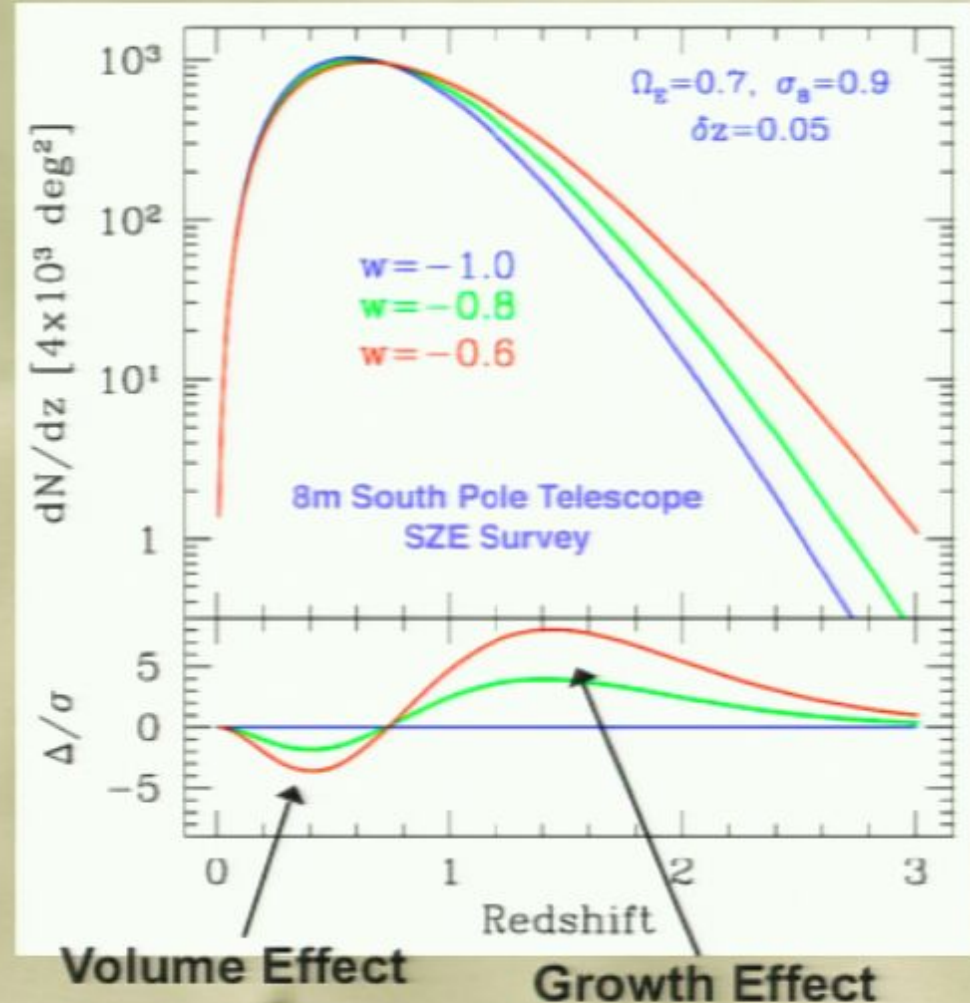
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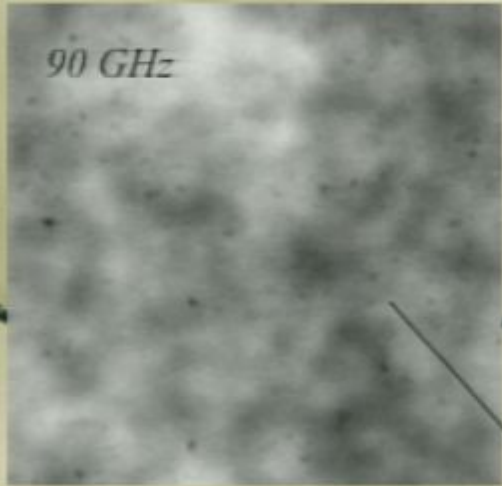
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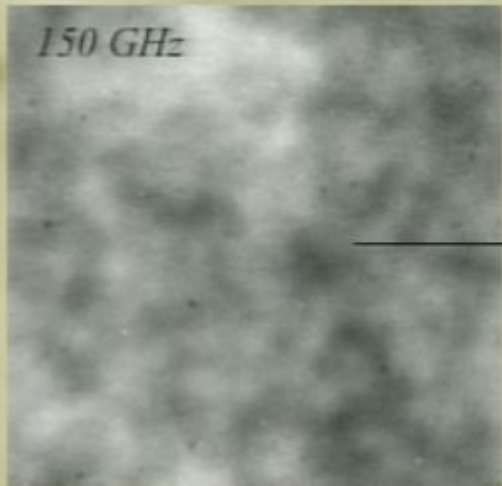
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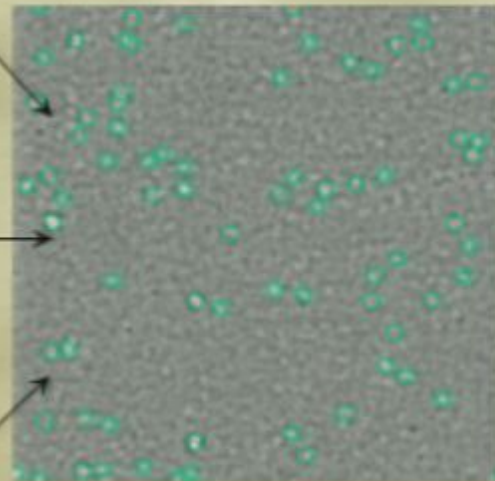
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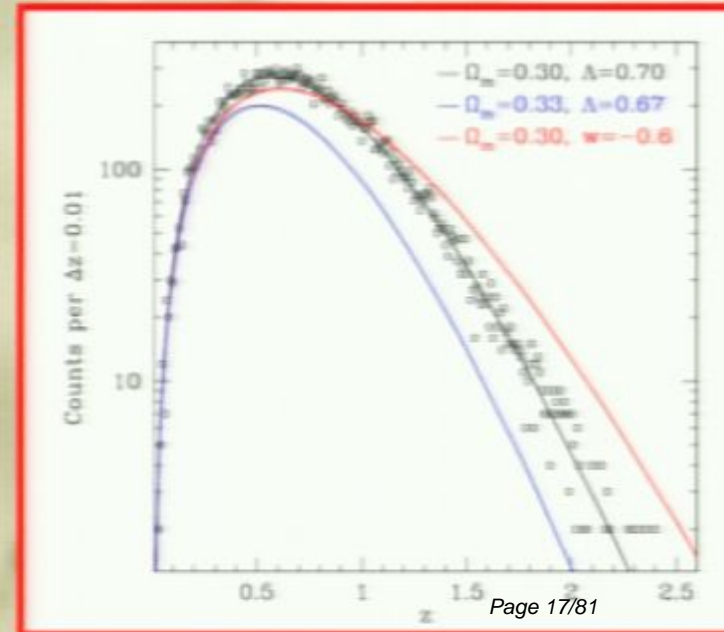
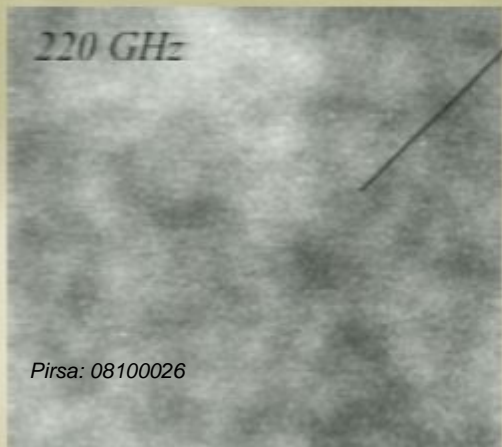


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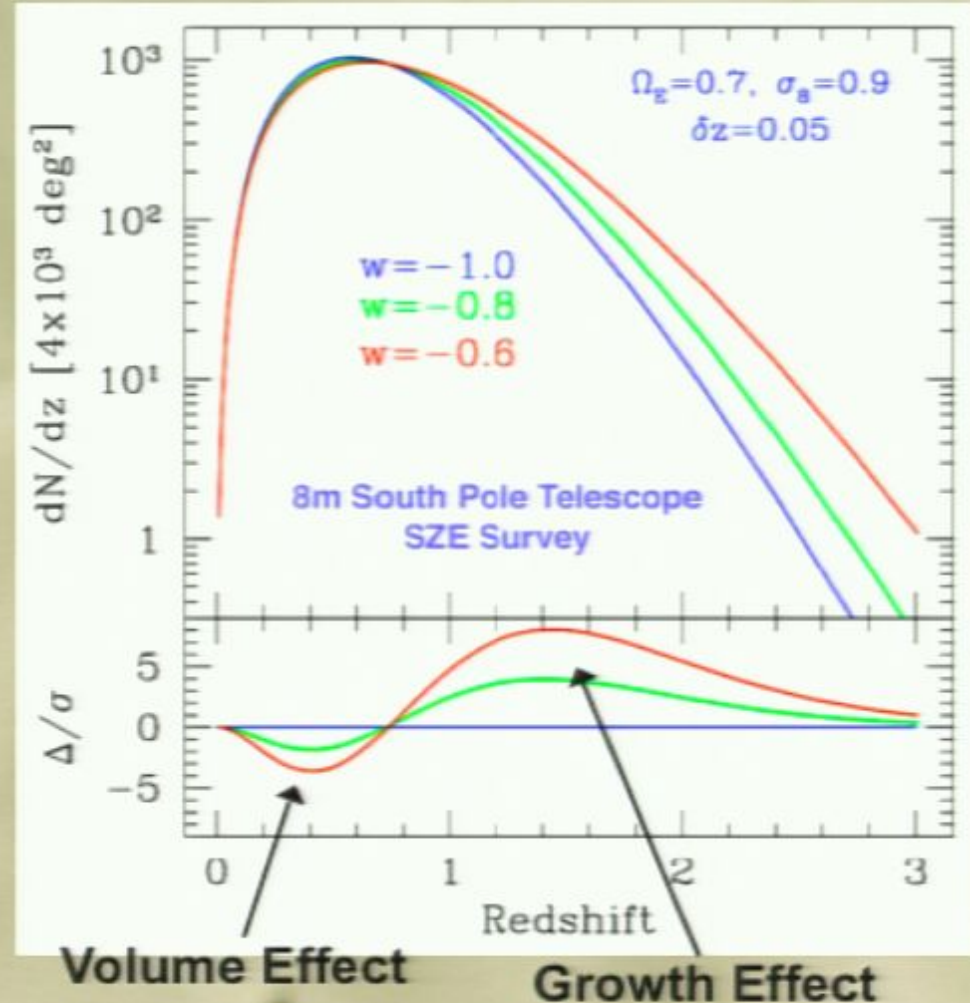
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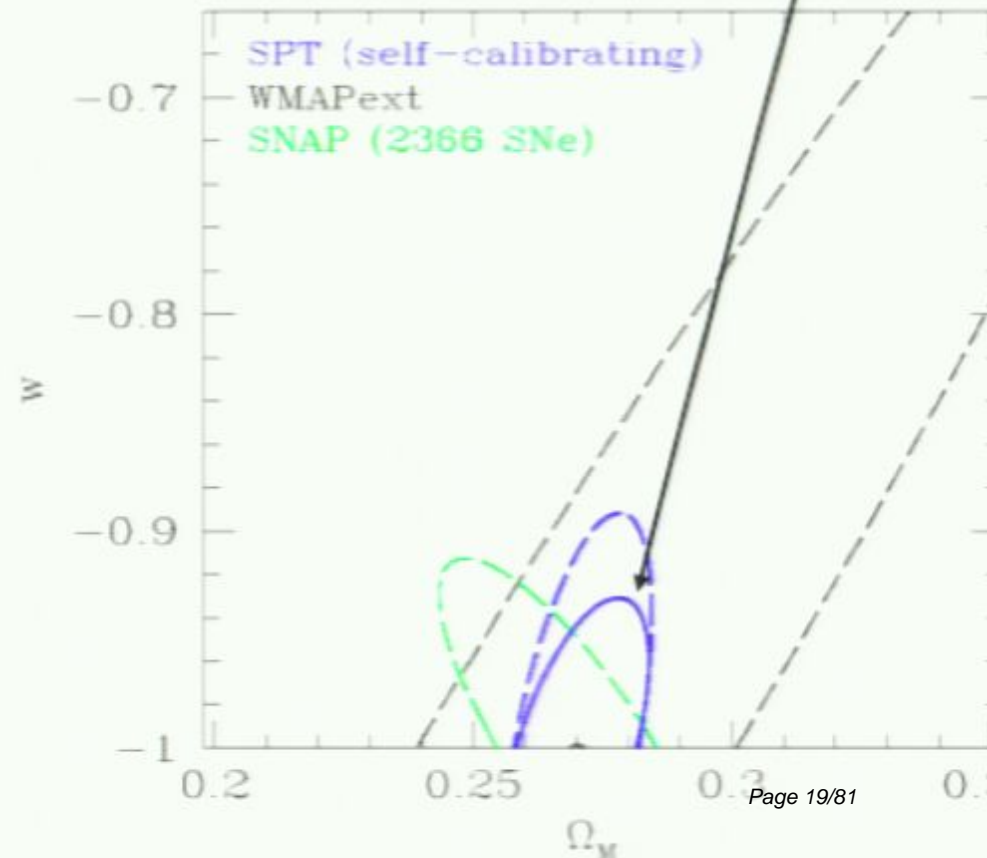
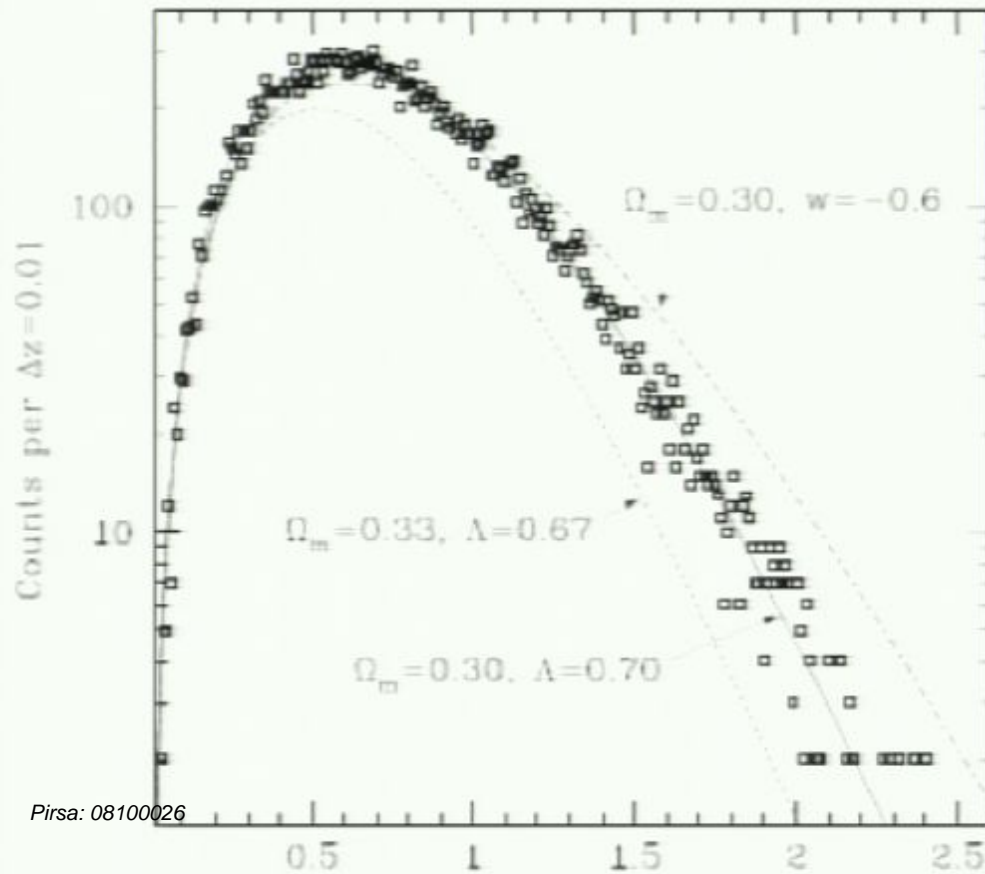
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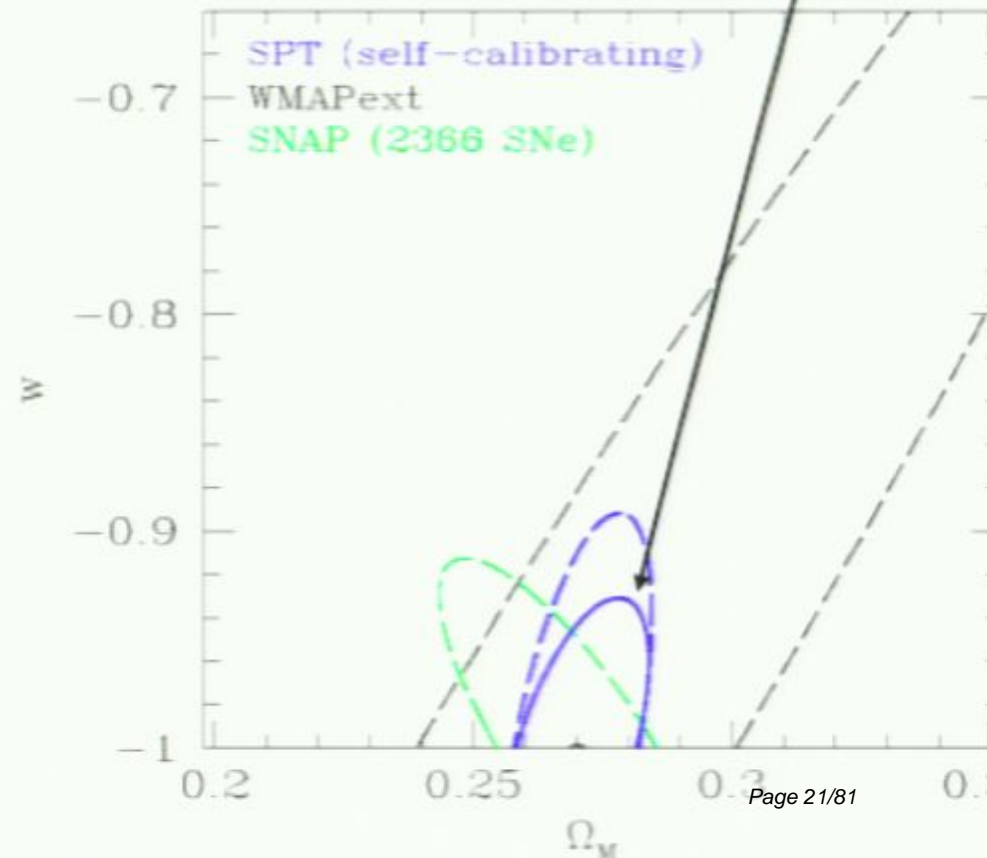
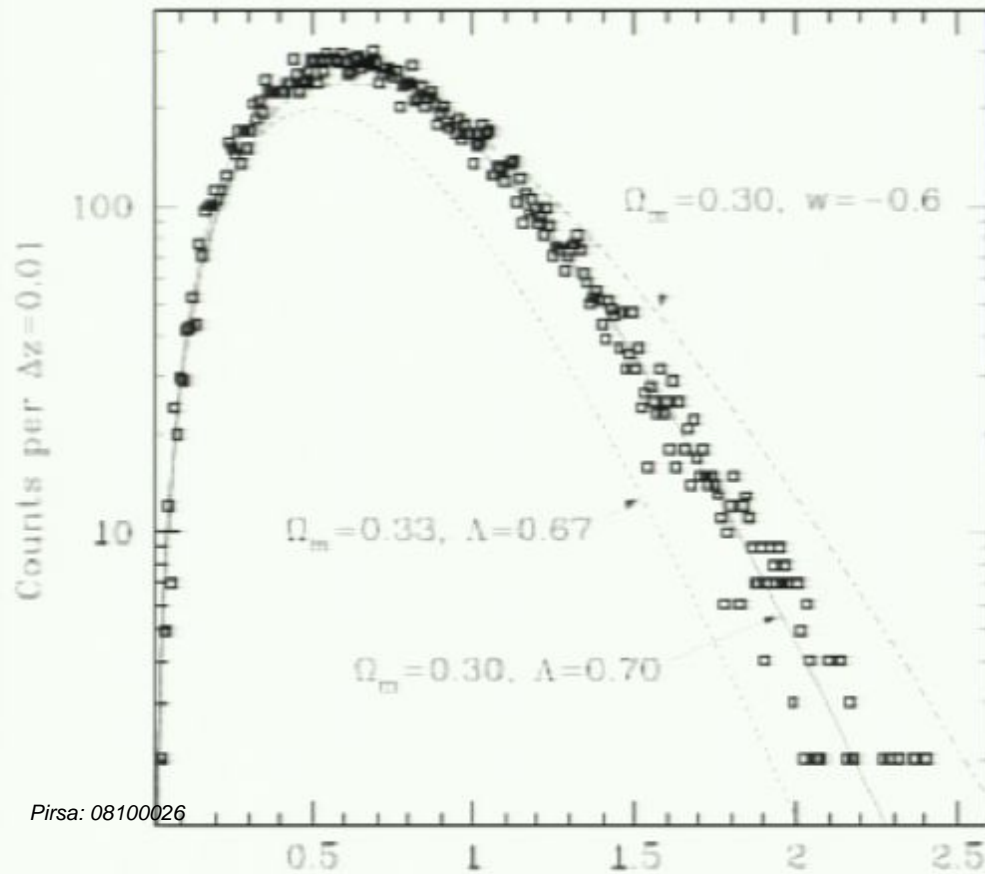
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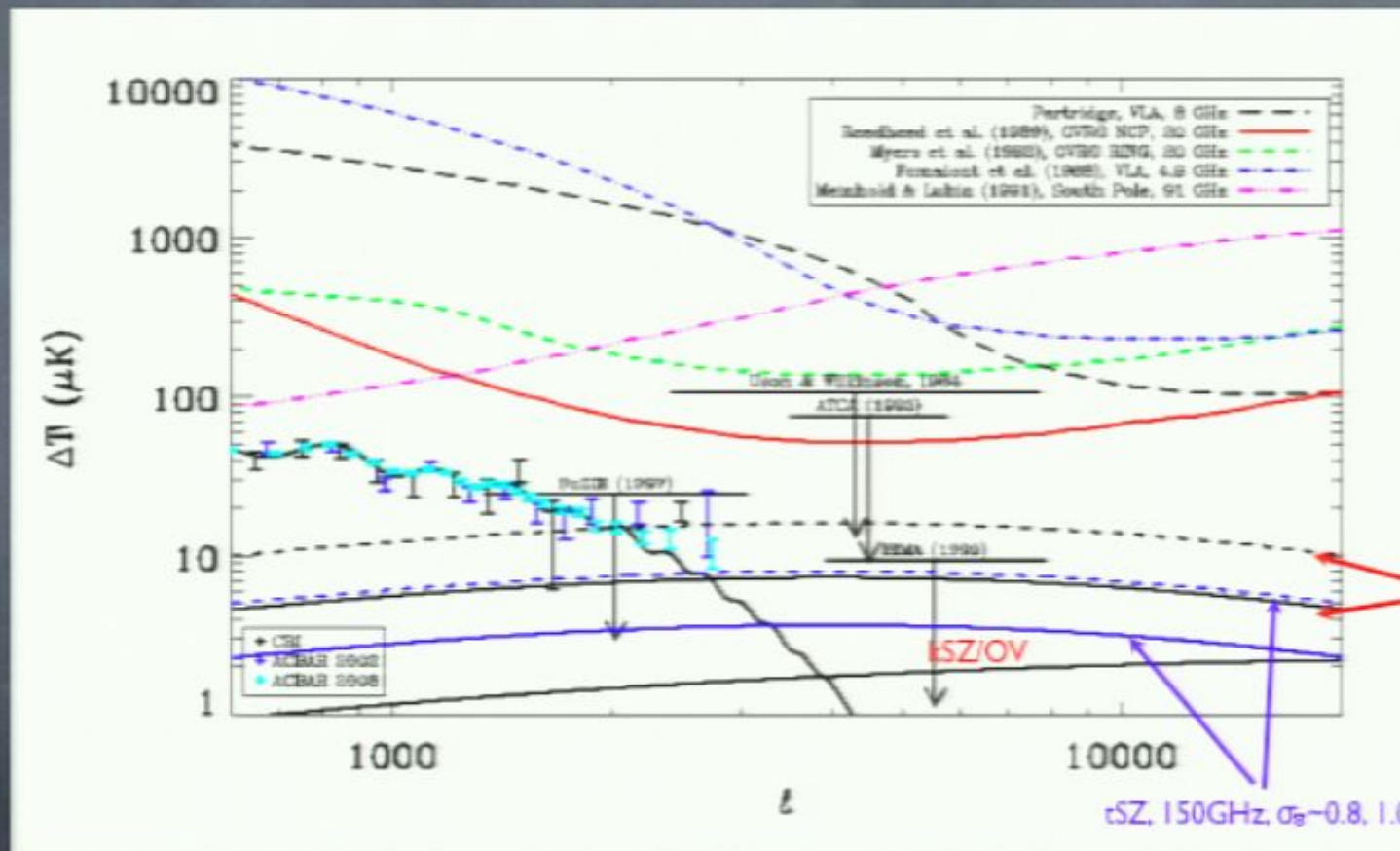
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Small-Scale CMB Anisotropy



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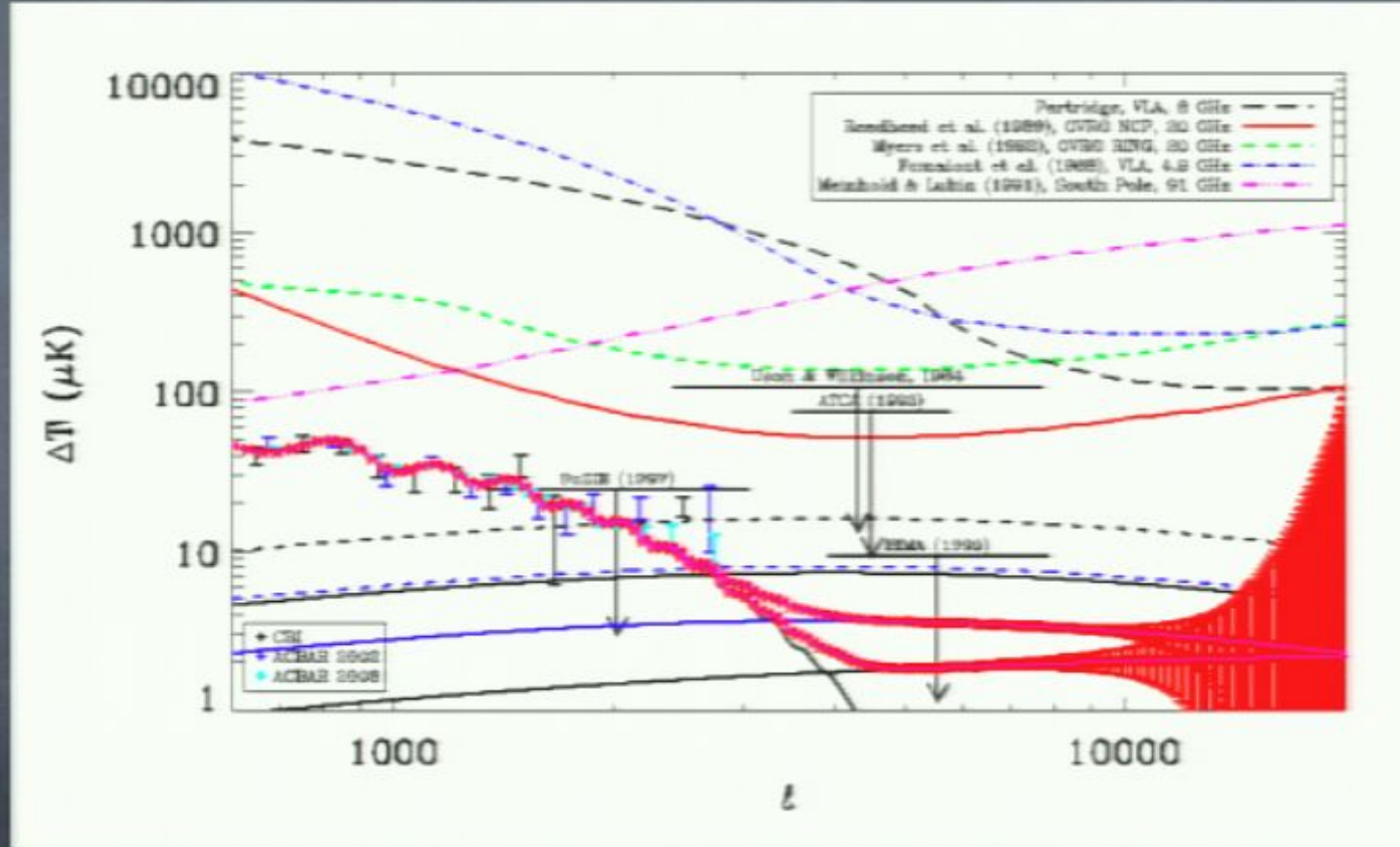
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SPT Projection



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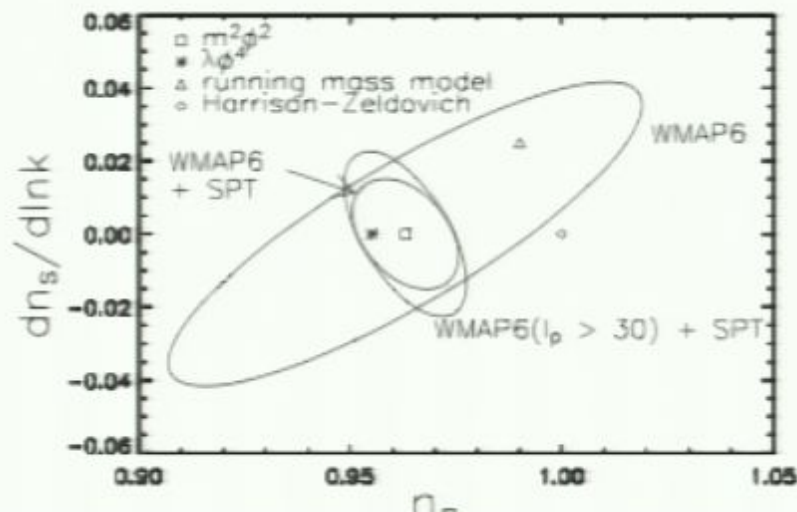
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Science from Small Scale CMB

1. the damping tail.

- Current limits on scalar spectral index degenerate with baryon density and reionization.
- Direct high- l measurements break this.
- Independent measure of curvature (cross-check)



More SPT Science

- **Gravitation Lensing of the CMB**

- calibrate mass observable relationship

- **kSZ**

- Dark Energy via peculiar velocities

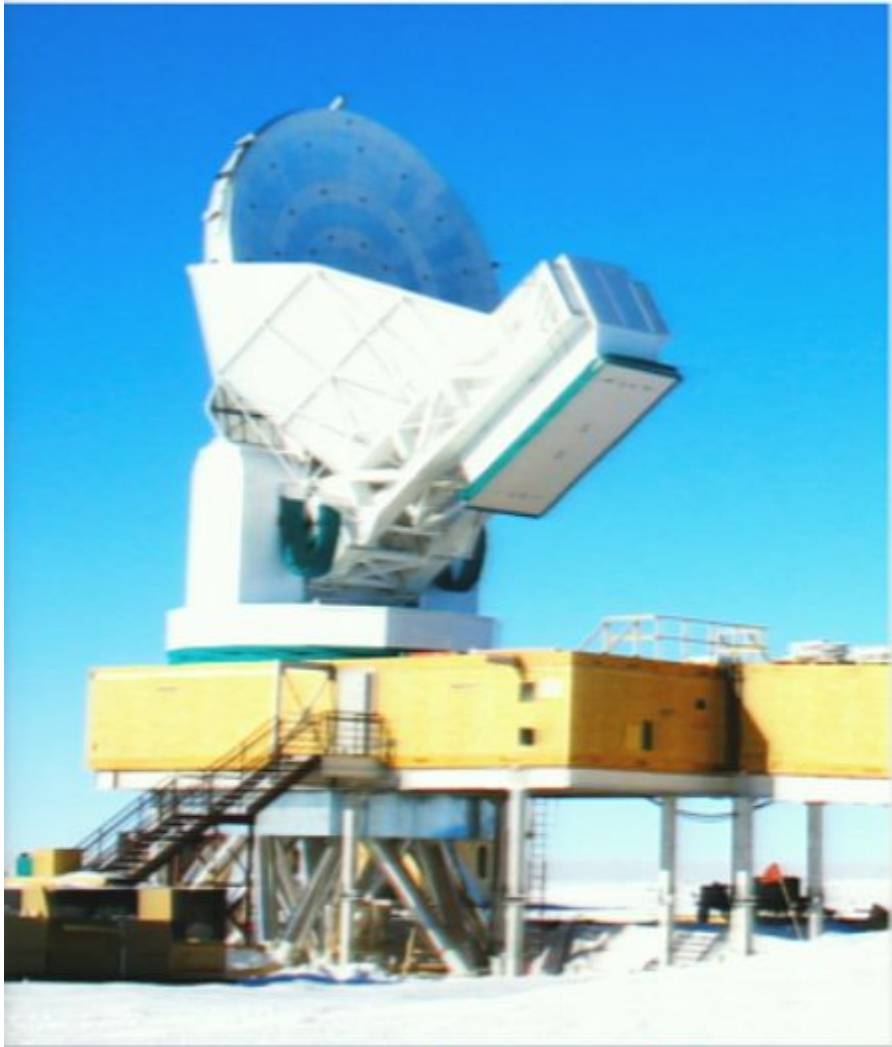
- **Point sources**

- multi-color studies
- AGN vs dusty galaxies

- **Cluster science**

- gas emission past viral radius
- properties vs redshift and mass

The South Pole Telescope (SPT)



Sub-millimeter Wavelength Telescope:

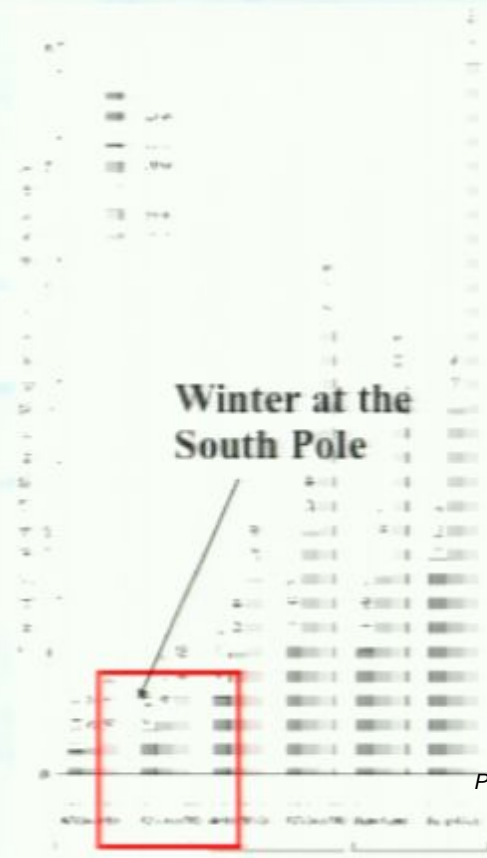
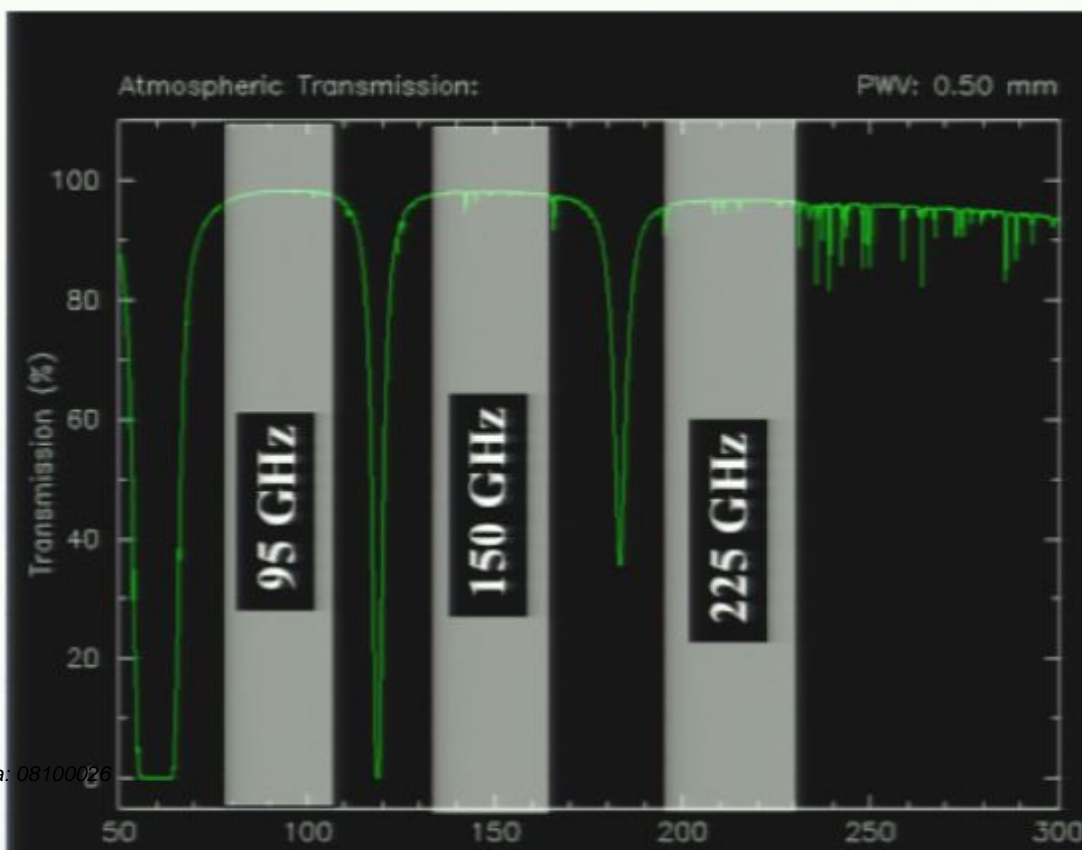
- 10 meter telescope (1' FWHM beam at 150 GHz)
- Off-axis Gregorian optics design
- 20 microns RMS surface accuracy
- 1 arc-second pointing
- Fast scanning (up to 4 deg/sec in azimuth)

SZ receiver:

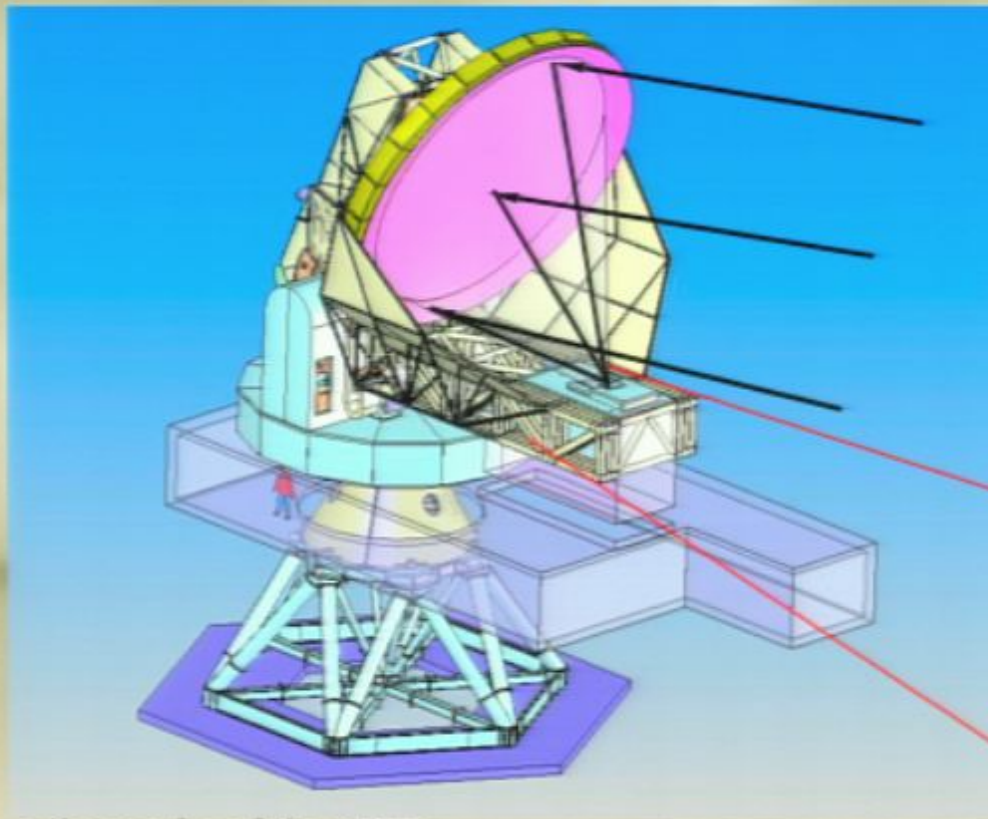
- 1 sq. deg FOV
- ~960 background limited pixels
- Observe in 3+ bands between 90-220 GHz simultaneously with a modular focal plane

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- **High Elevation** (comparable overall transmission to Atacama)
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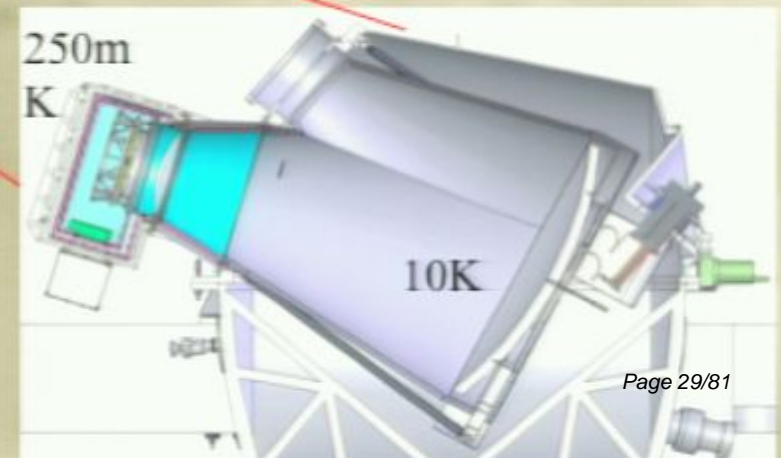


schematic of the SPT

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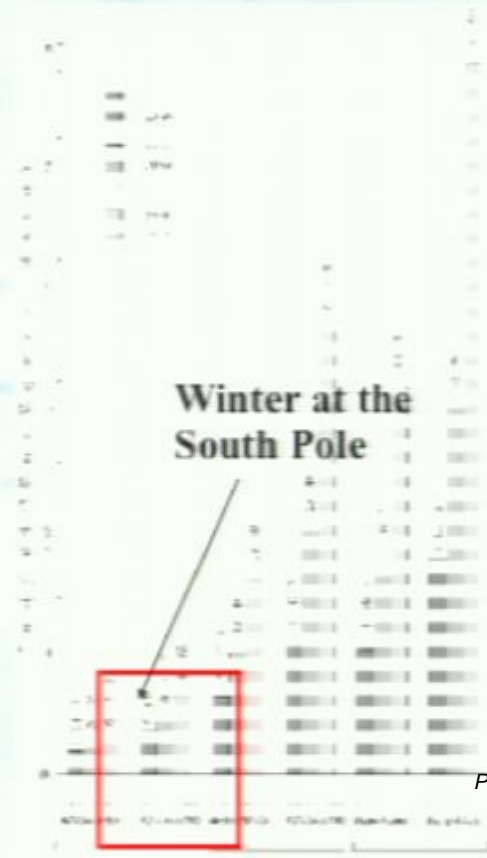
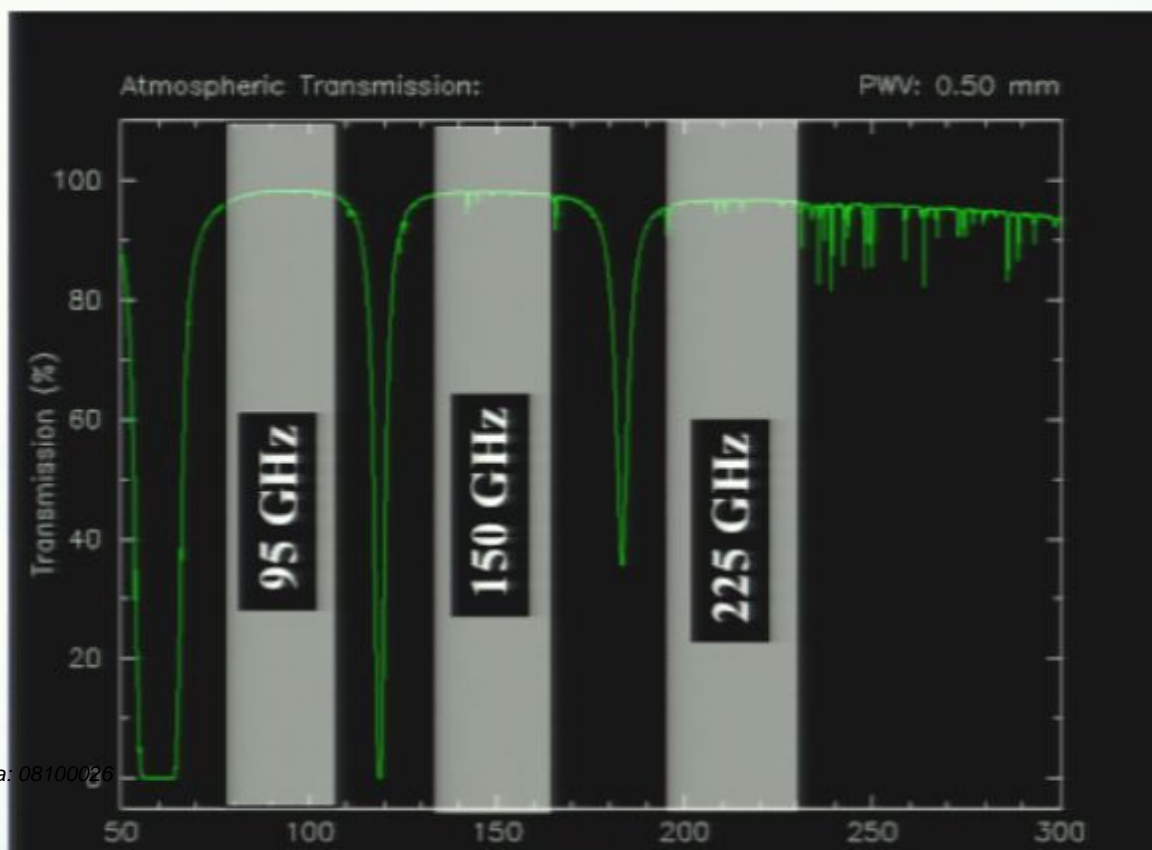
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receiver + secondary cryostat

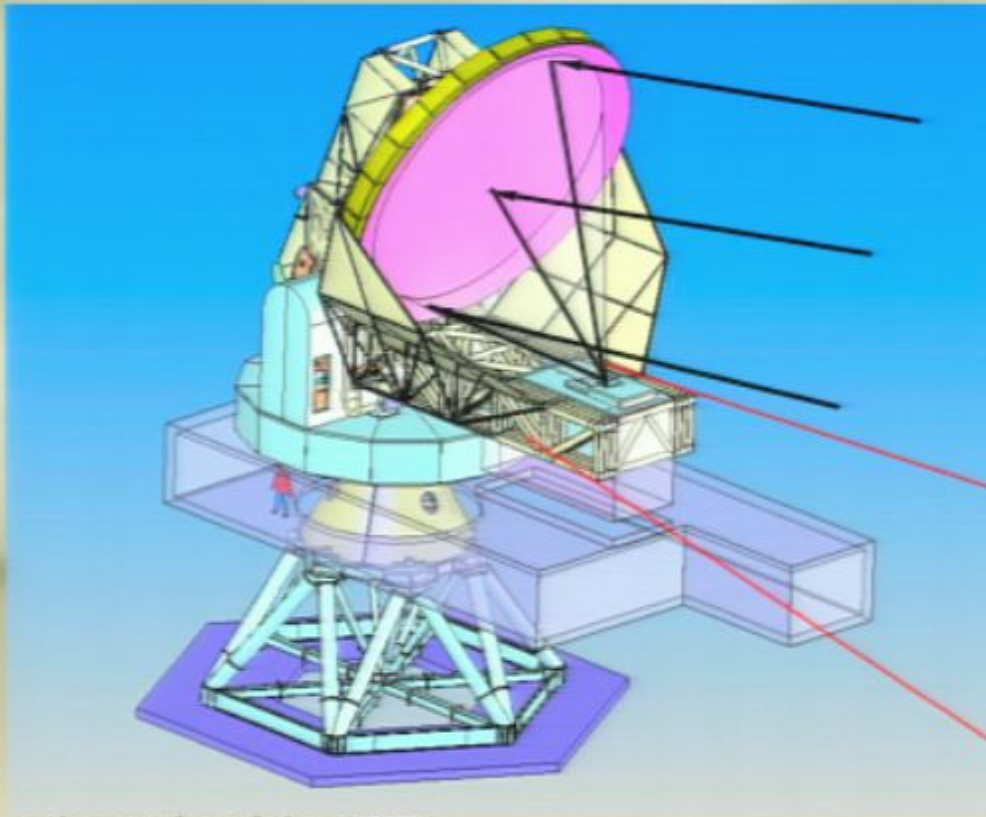


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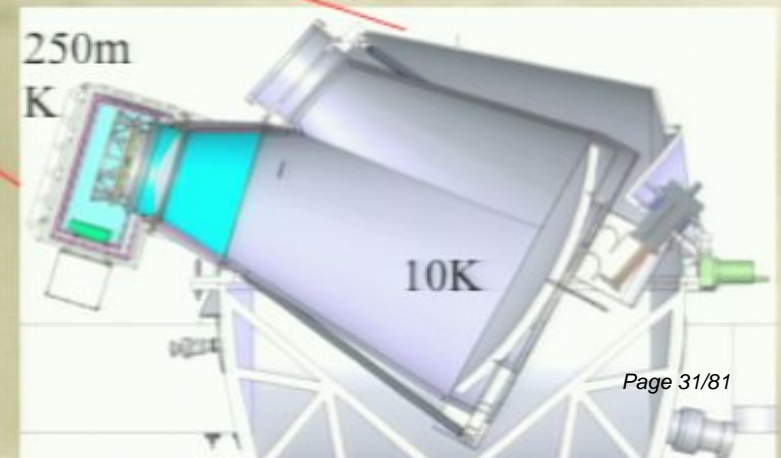


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SPT test build in Kilgore Texas June-July 2006

600,000 lbs of telescope put
in crates and on the Boat
to NZ by August

**Only 16,000 lbs per LC-130
flight and 600,000 lbs of telescope.**



November 2006



Assembling the BUS



South Pole Transportation



• Nov 20, 2008

Placing panel adjusters



Installing reflector panels



Finished?

(Dec 22, 2006)



Wiring up Heaters



The BIG lift



precision and percussion
cosmologists pause for the
“hero” shot

cosmologists

steel-crew

Hundreds of photographs. Thousands of screws



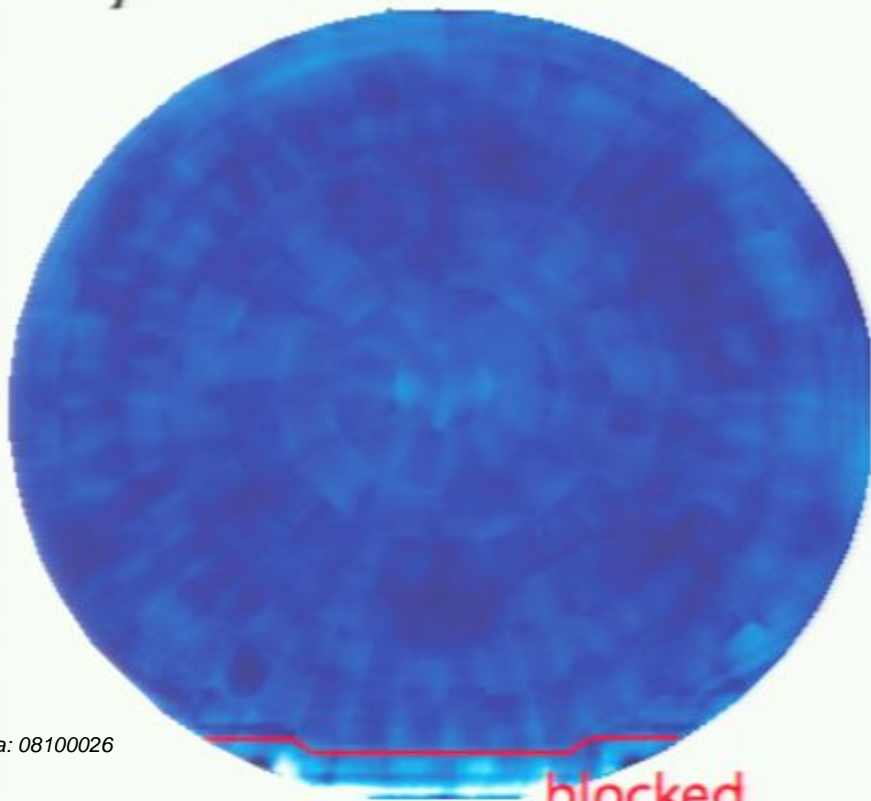
source tower

telescope

Holography

Primary Mirror

25 μ rms



blocked

$$f(R, u, v) = \int_{\Sigma} \frac{F(\xi, \eta)e^{-ikr}}{4\pi r} \left[\left(ik + \frac{1}{r} \right) \hat{z} \cdot \hat{r} + ik \hat{z} \cdot \hat{k} \right] d\xi d\eta$$

- *fields on the aperture (F) related to fields in space (f)*
 - *(fields in space = diffraction pattern)*
- *a perfect parabolic mirror has constant phase on the aperture*
- *measure f solve for F, interpret the phase(F) as errors in the mirror surface*

Austral Summer 2006-2007: camera



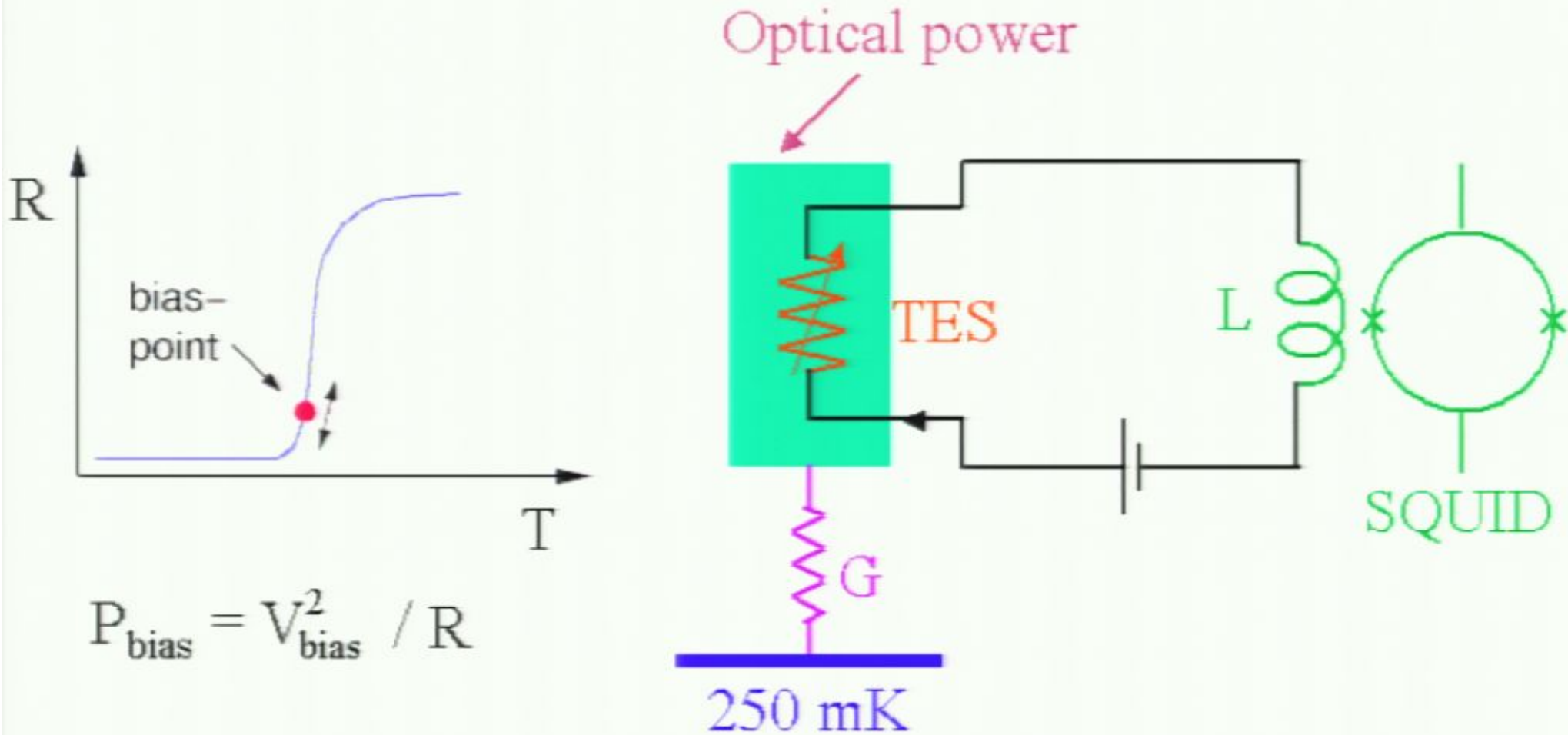
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*assembled and
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in 1.5 months*

*lead by UC
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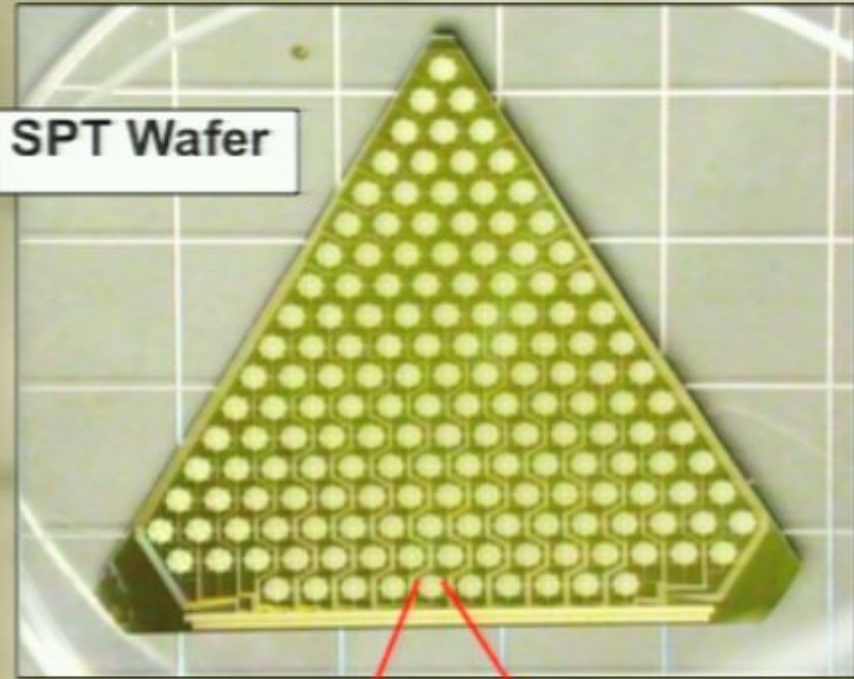
Transition-Edge Sensor (TES) Bolometers



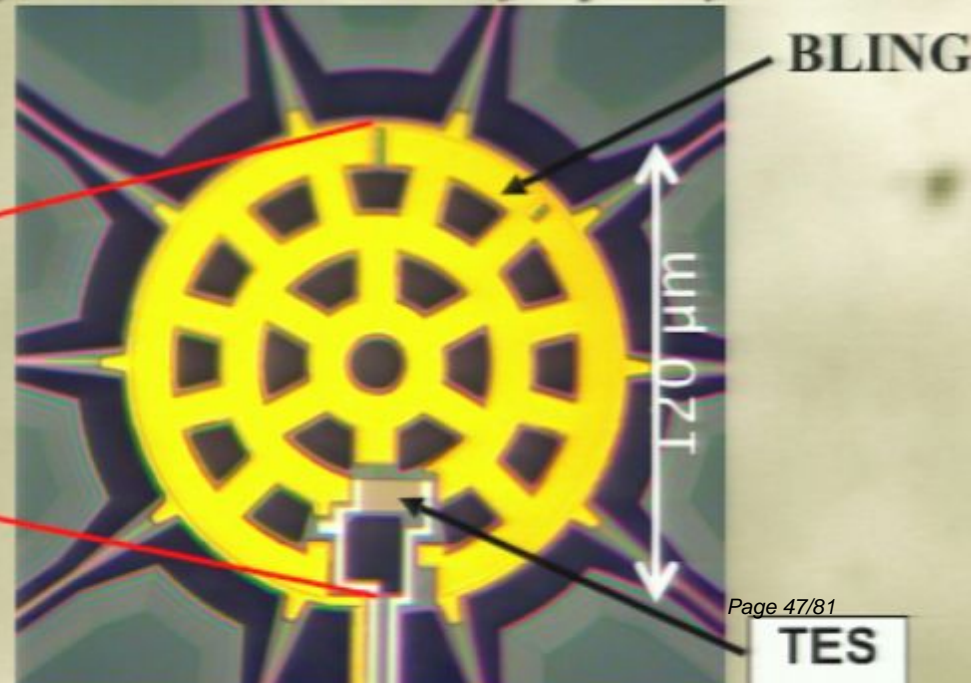
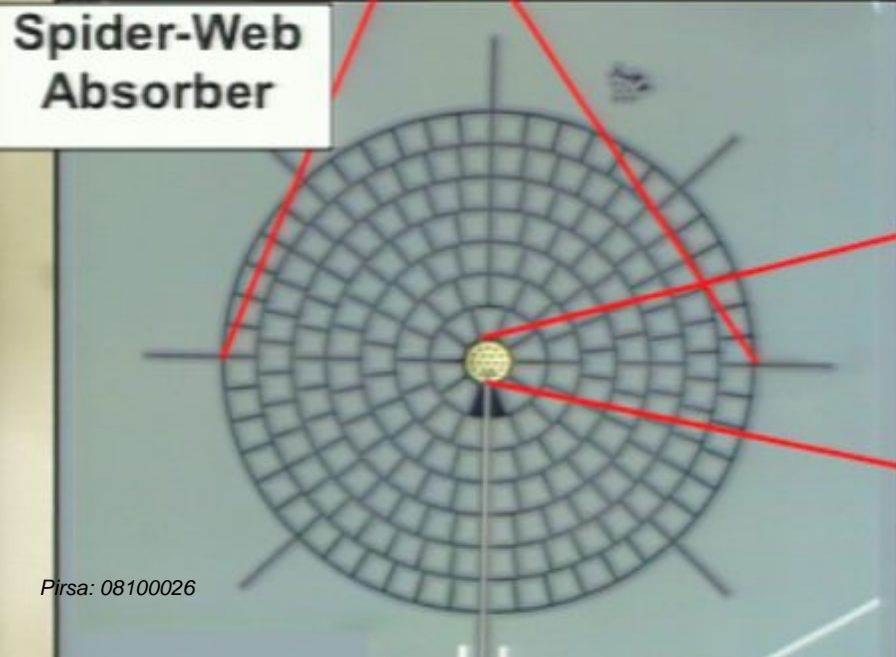
$$P_{\text{bias}} = V_{\text{bias}}^2 / R$$

$$P_{\text{total}} = P_{\text{bias}} + P_{\text{photon}} \approx \text{constant}$$

SPT Detector Wafer



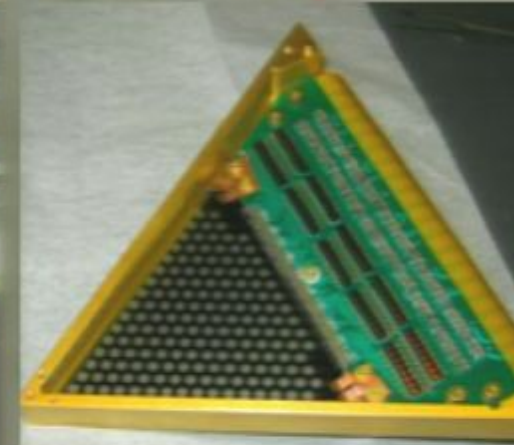
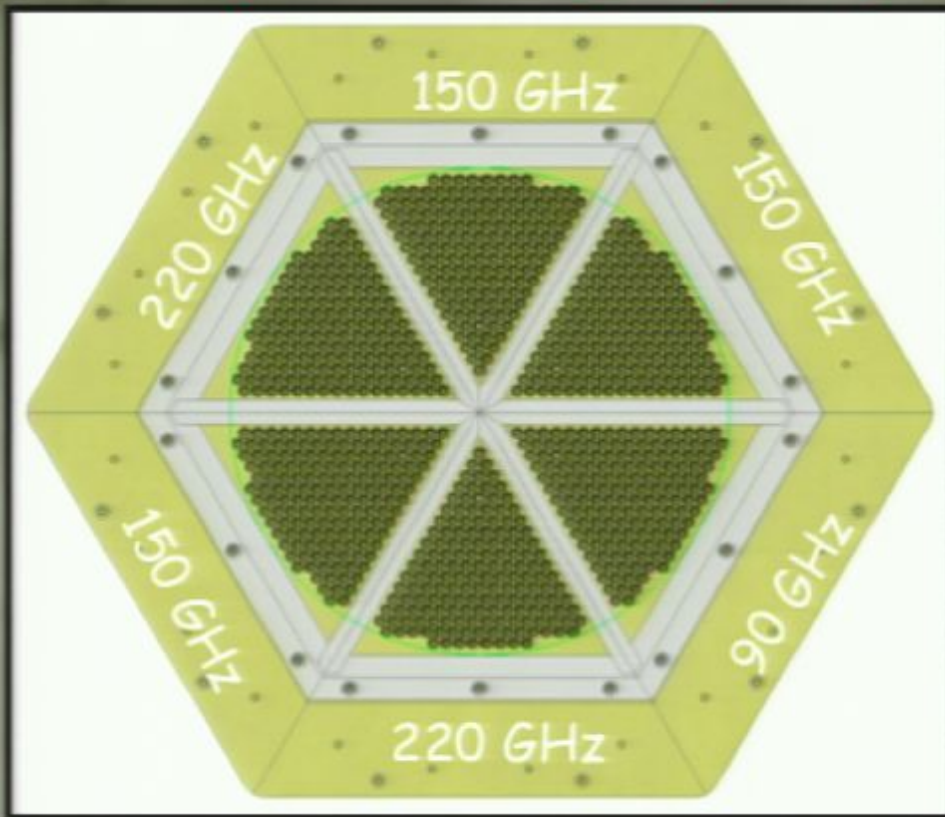
- *160 bolometers per wafer*
- *Al-Ti bi-layer Transition Edge Sensor (TES) with $T_c = 0.55$ K attached to spider-web shaped absorbing substrate*
- *Optical time constant of 10 ms*
- *Electrical time constant in transition of 1 ms*
- *Wafer thickness tuned to frequency bands*



The SPT 966 pixel detector array

180 mm: ~1 degree on sky

Built at UC Berkeley



- 161 possible channels on each wedge, 8x multiplex
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Installing Receiver and Optics Cryostats into the SPT Receiver Cabin

Don't have to go outside!



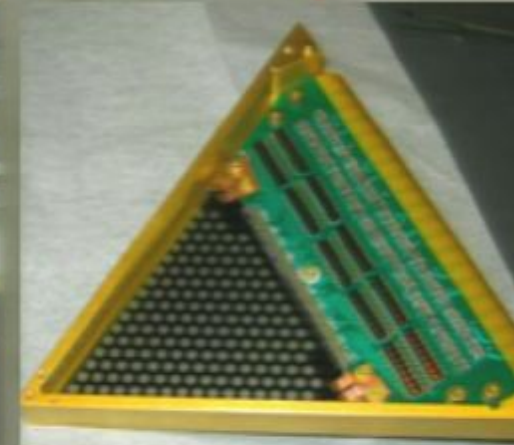
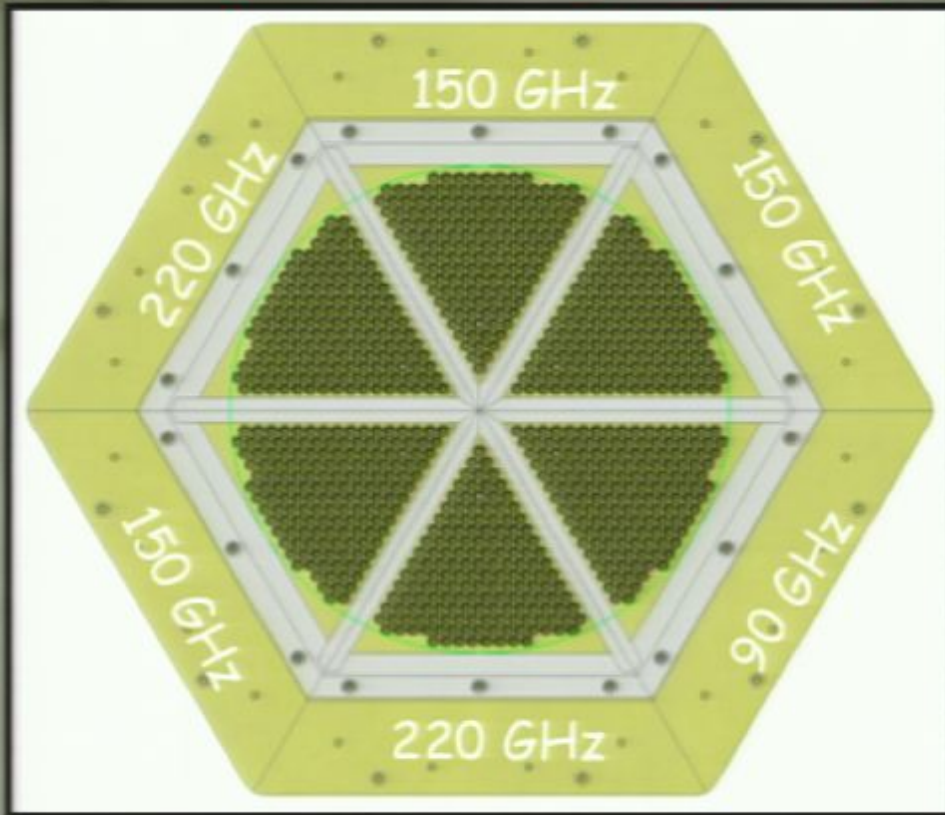
Moving Ground Shield installed



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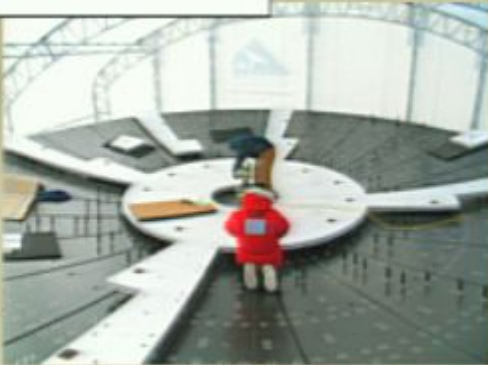
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Pirsa_08100026 **Ready to observe!**

SPT 1st Year Deployment

Dec 14, 2006



Dec 16, 2006



Jan 3, 2007

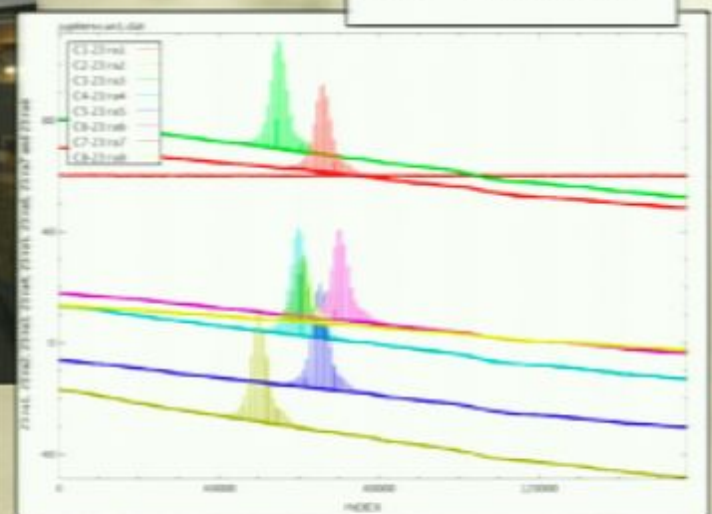


- Nov 20, 2006 Begin telescope + reflector assembly
- Jan 5, 2007 – Primary Mirror mounted on Telescope
- Jan 20, 2007 - Reflector surface aligned 40 μ rms
- Feb 12, 2007 - Receiver mounted on Telescope
- Feb 16, 2007 - First Light = Scans of Jupiter
- Feb 17, 2007 - Kicked out of South Pole

Feb 12, 2007



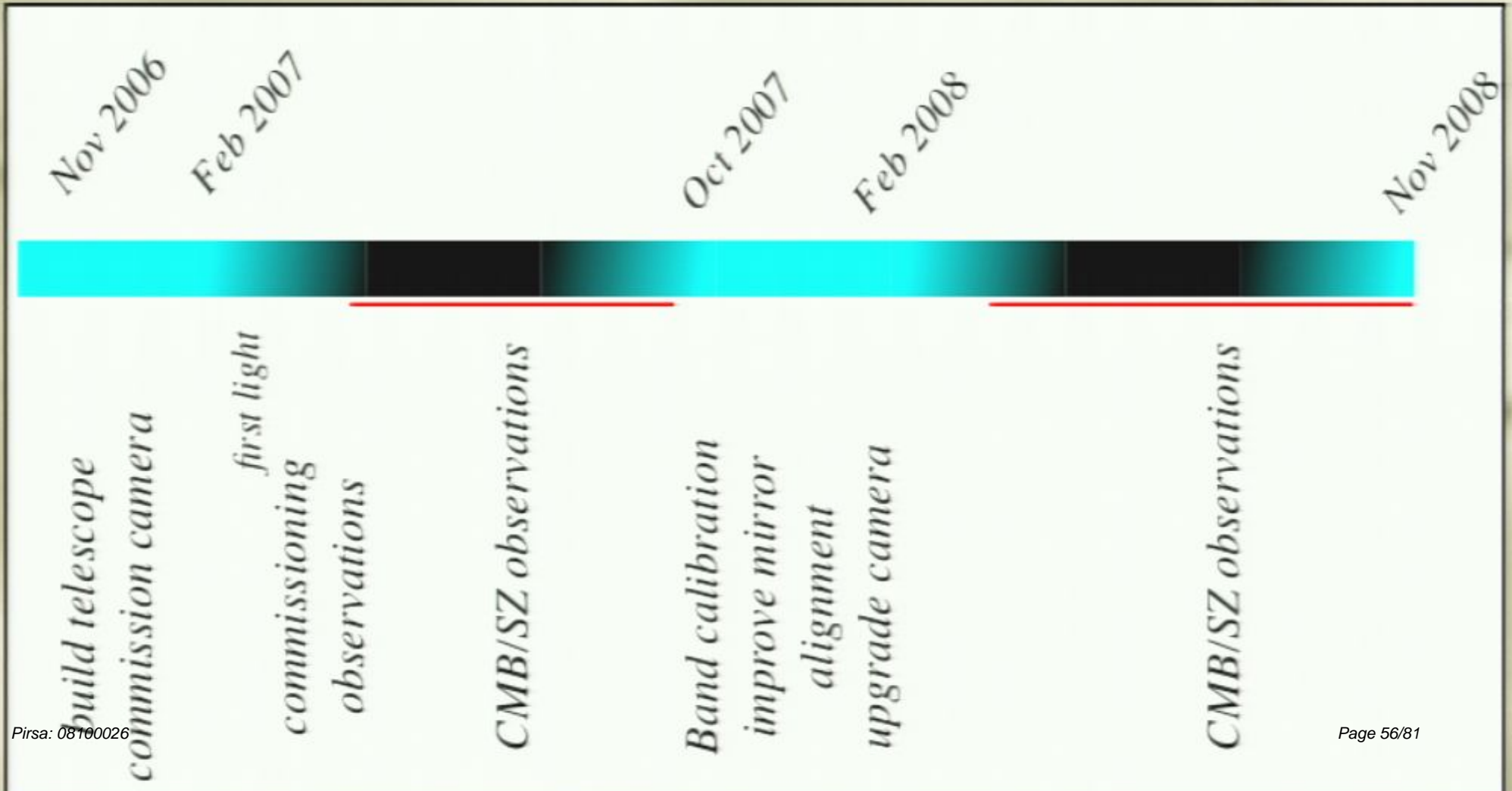
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Telescope and Receiver Team 2006-2007

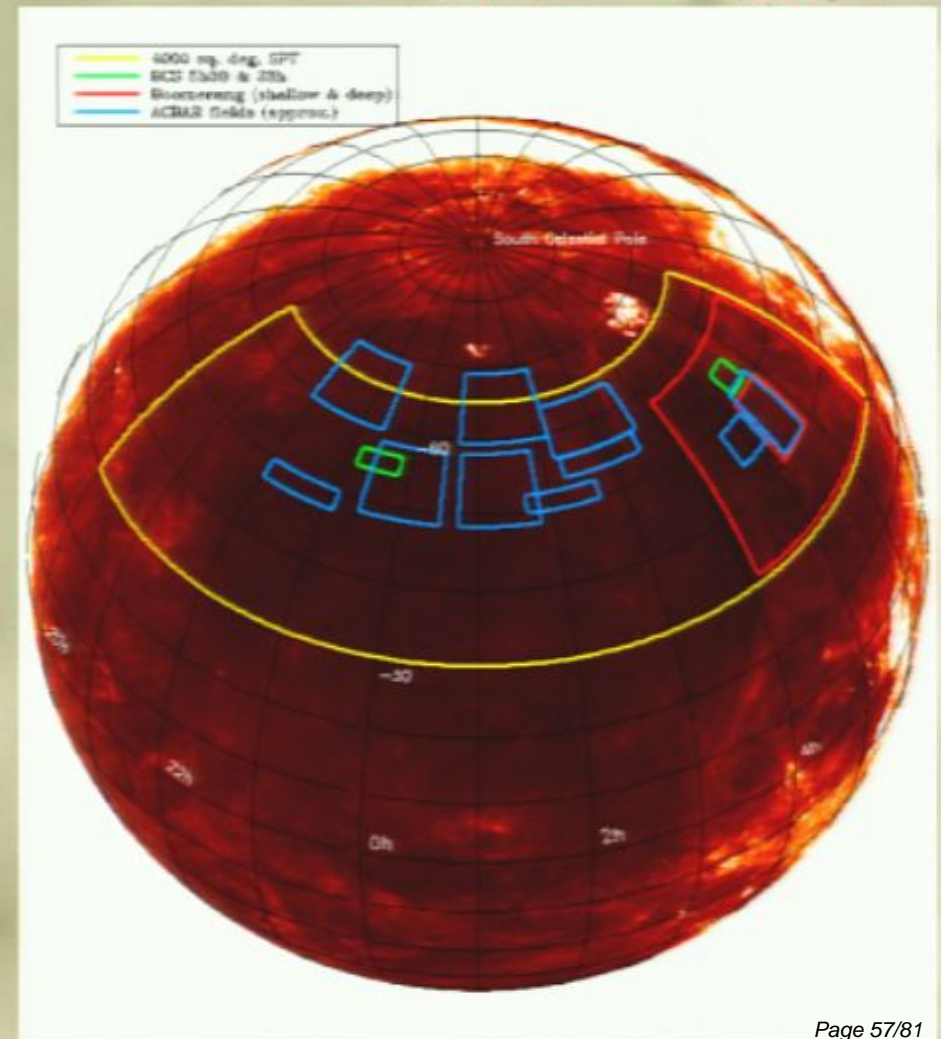


TIME LINE



The Survey

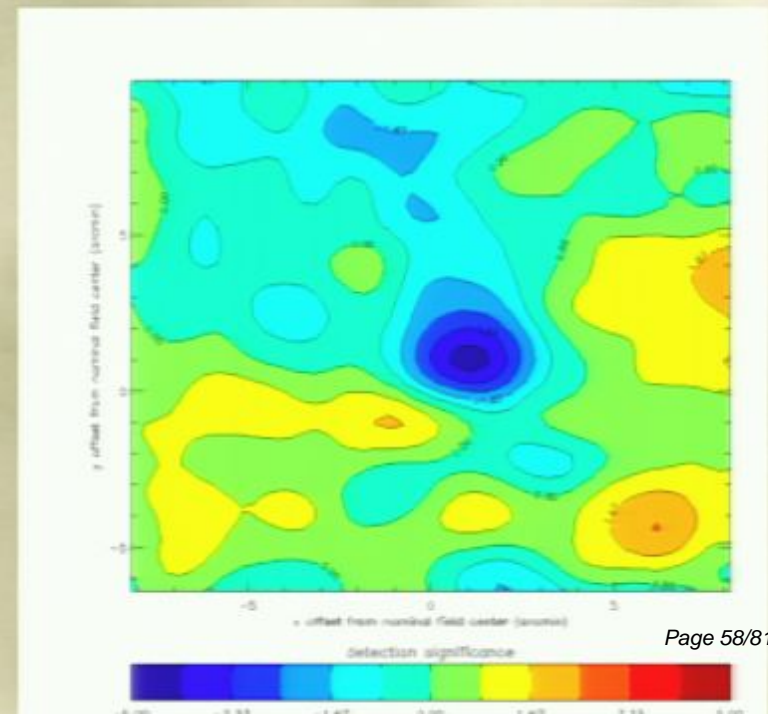
- *Limited to Southern Celestial Hemisphere.*
- *Galactic dust emission drives to $20h < RA < 7h$.*
- *Atmospheric emission drives to observing elevations $> 30deg$.*
- *Leaves us ~4000 contiguous square degrees*



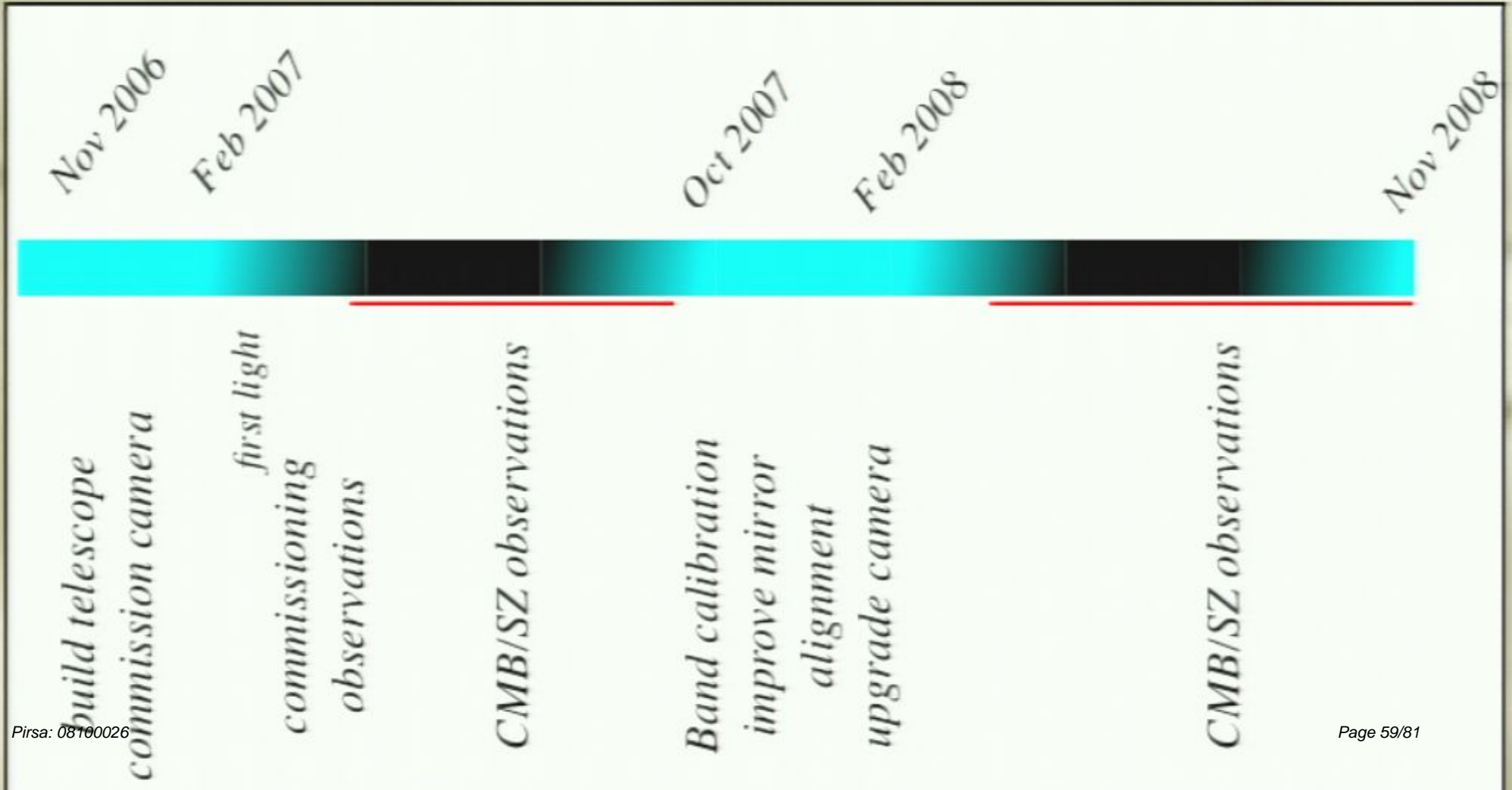
2007 Performance

- 1st year (mostly engineering)
 - 60 sq. degrees in BCS 5hr
 - 40 $\mu\text{K}/\text{arcmin}$
 - 5 sq. degrees inside previous region
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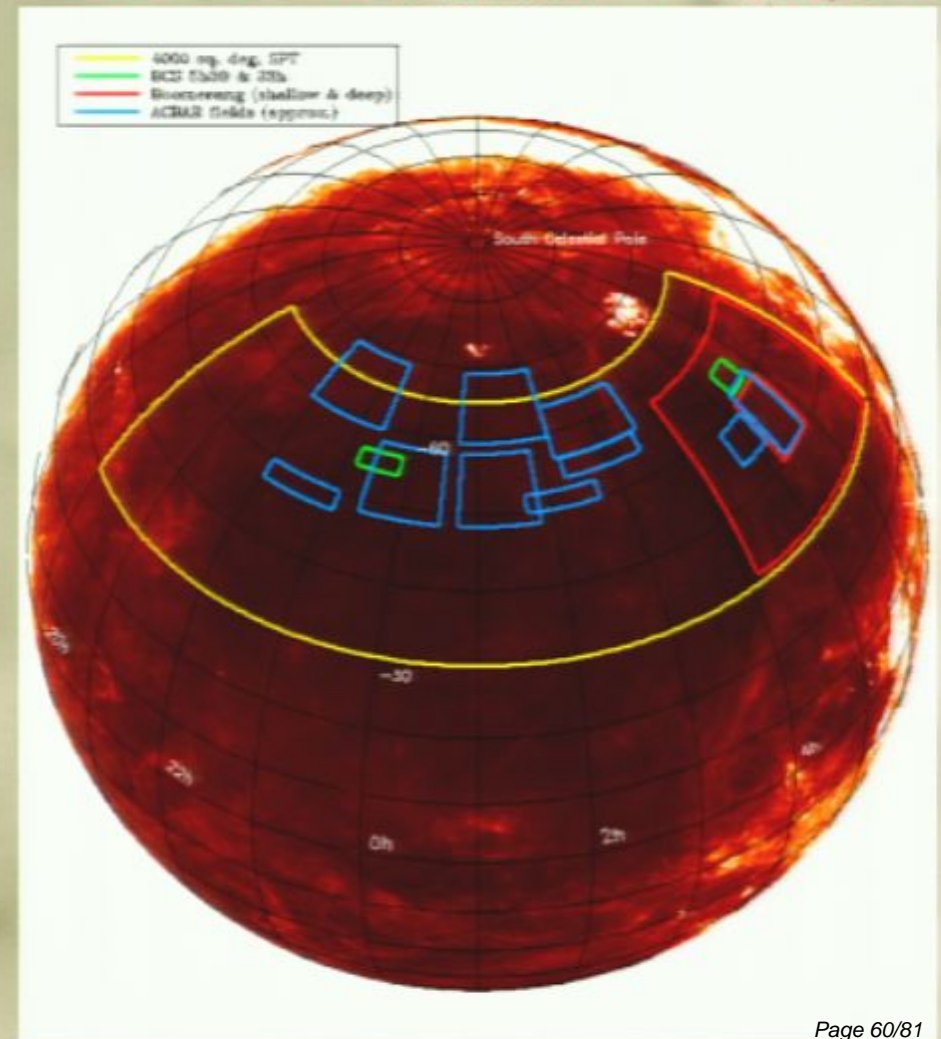


TIME LINE



The Survey

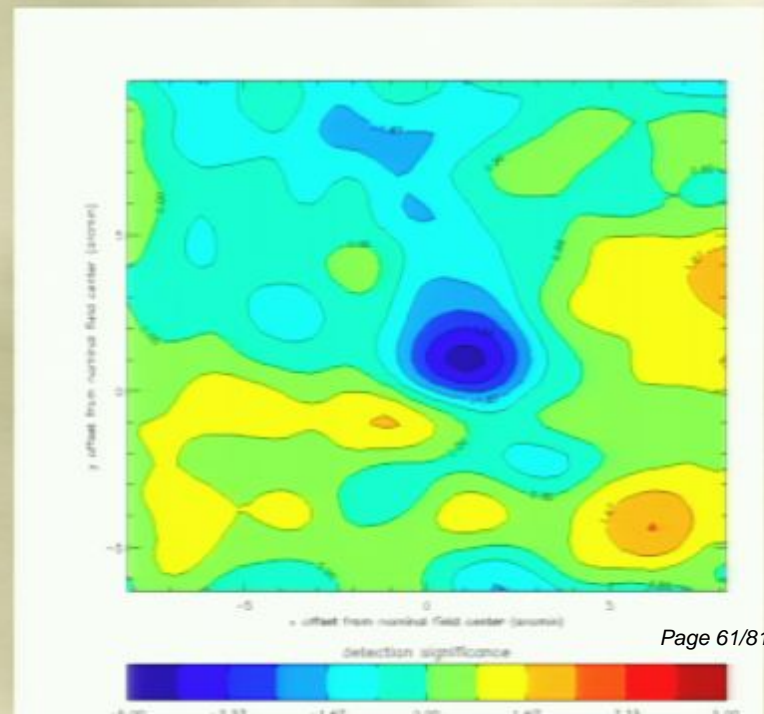
- *Limited to Southern Celestial Hemisphere.*
- *Galactic dust emission drives to $20h < RA < 7h$.*
- *Atmospheric emission drives to observing elevations $> 30deg$.*
- *Leaves us ~4000 contiguous square degrees*



2007 Performance

- 1st year (mostly engineering)
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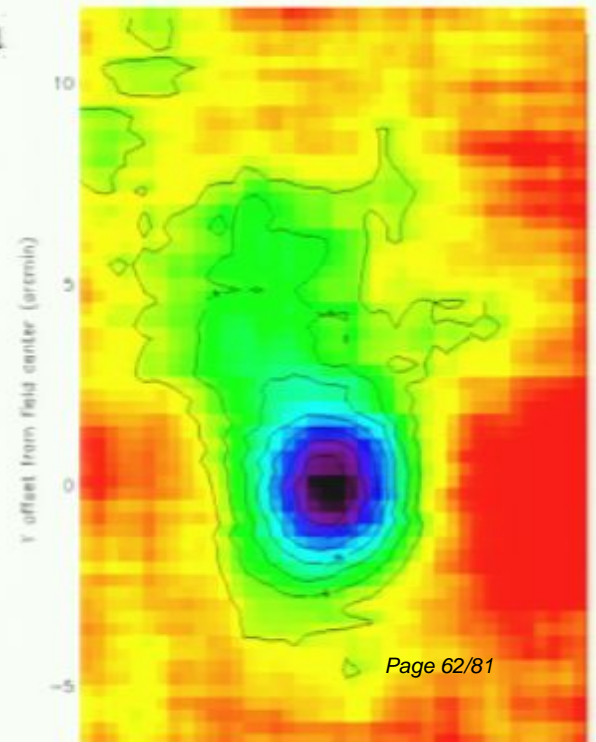
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Upgrades before 2008

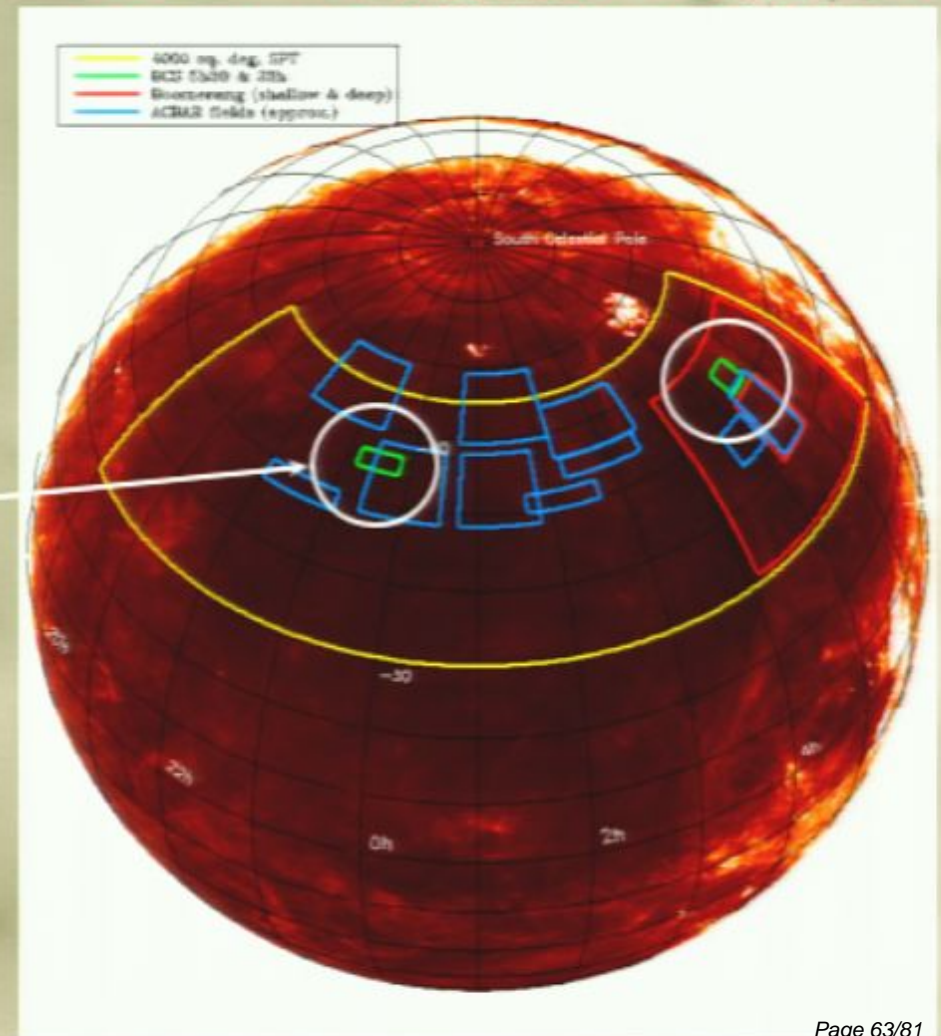
- 2007-2008 summer
 - Improved primary mirror to $20 \mu\text{m rms}$
 - Improved camera sensitivity
 - 150 GHz ($\sim 500 \text{ uK /rt(HZ) cmb}$) w/ 350 detectors!
 - 220 GHz ($\sim 700 \text{ uK /rt(Hz) cmb}$) w/ 200 detectors!
 - Improved cryogenics
 - dewar cold ~ 36 hours at a time

- First SZ measurement of 2nd observing season, cluster AS1063
- Map uses only 150 GHz data, 321 detectors, 40 minute observation
- 16 sigma detection (contours are even 2 sigma)



The 2008 Survey

- *Expected survey duration:
Now - September, 2011.*
- *Currently going deep on 100
sq. degrees (RA=5h30,
dec=-55)*
- *150GHz depth in both 100-
sq.-deg. field ~15uK.*
- *220GHz depth in 100-sq.-deg.
field ~40uK.*



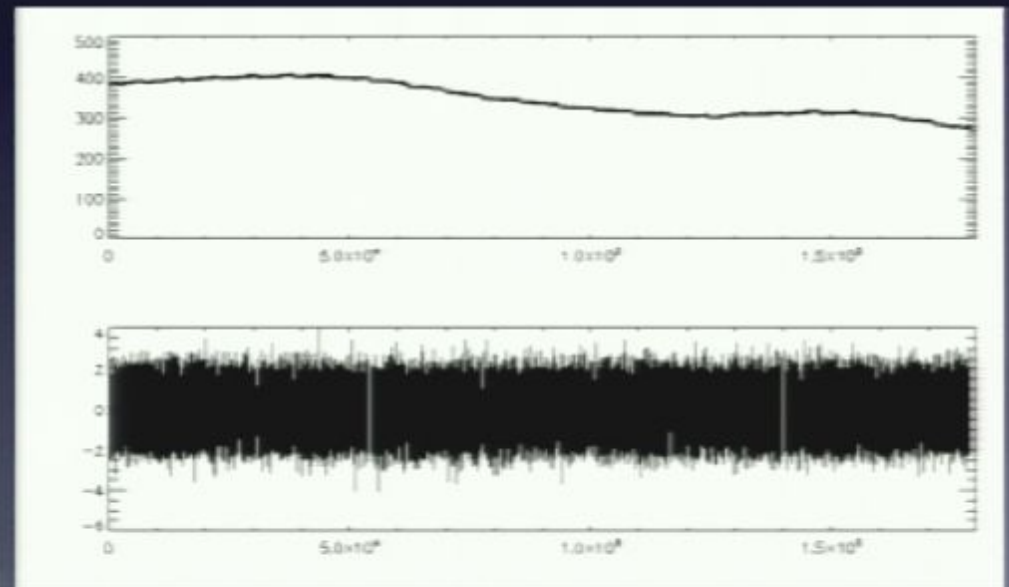
Analysis of Survey Data

- It is simple*
 - Time streams to maps
 - maps to cluster candidates

* completely understanding 'simple' things requires great care

Data processing

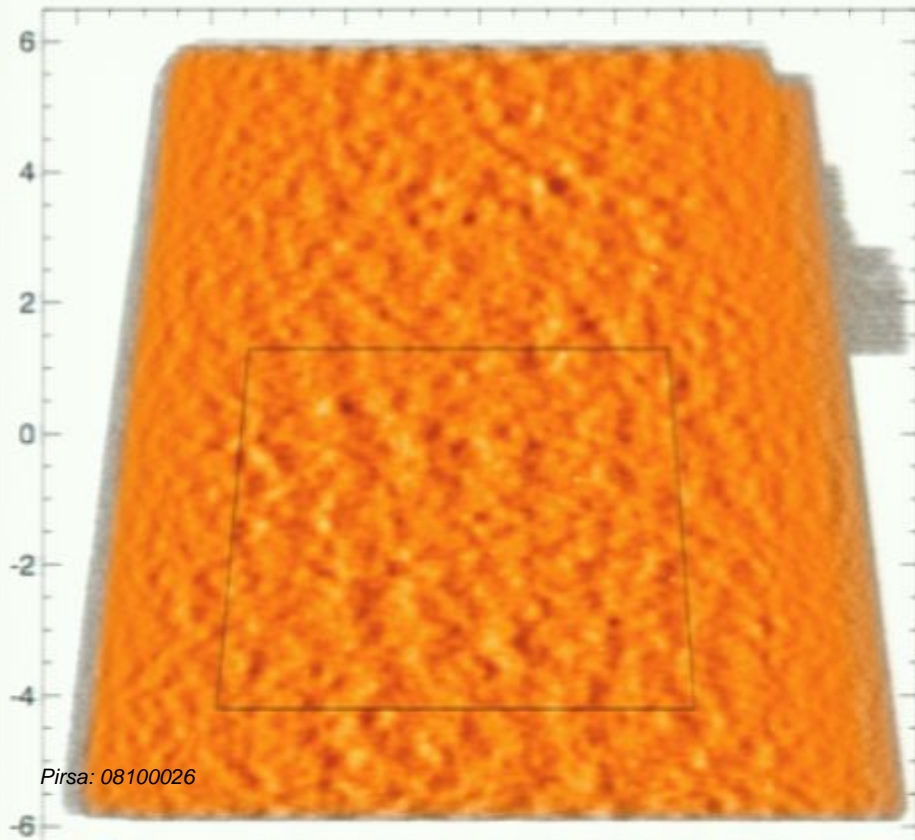
- Undo detector time response.
- De-spike.
- Fourier-domain filtering.
- Remove long-timescale drifts.



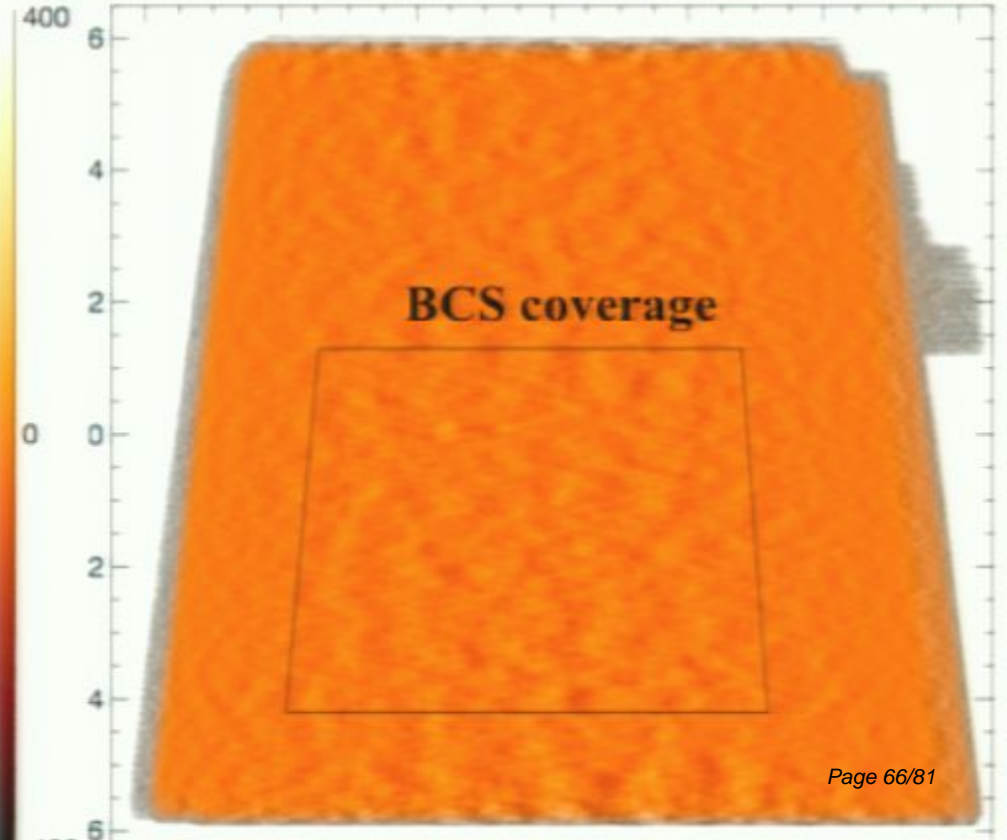
First Survey Field RA~ 23 Hours

- Mapped with interleaved azimuth raster scans
- ~800 hours of observation
- $100 \text{ deg}^2 \sim 17 \text{ uK/arcmin pixel}$
- 60 deg^2 overlap with BCS

150 GHz L+R map



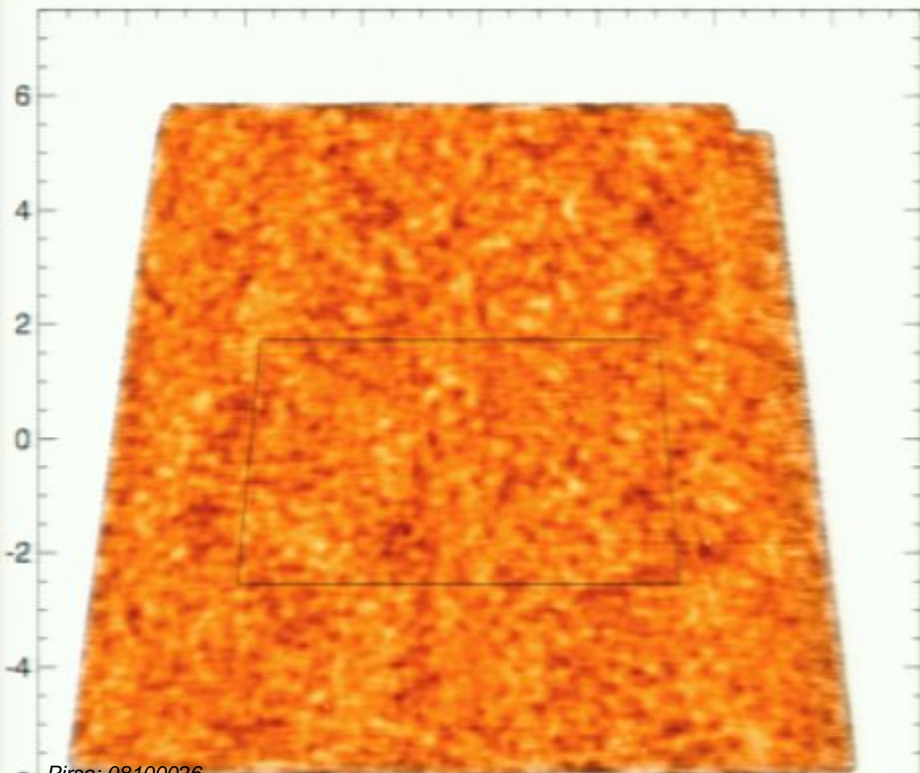
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Second Survey Field RA~ 5 Hours

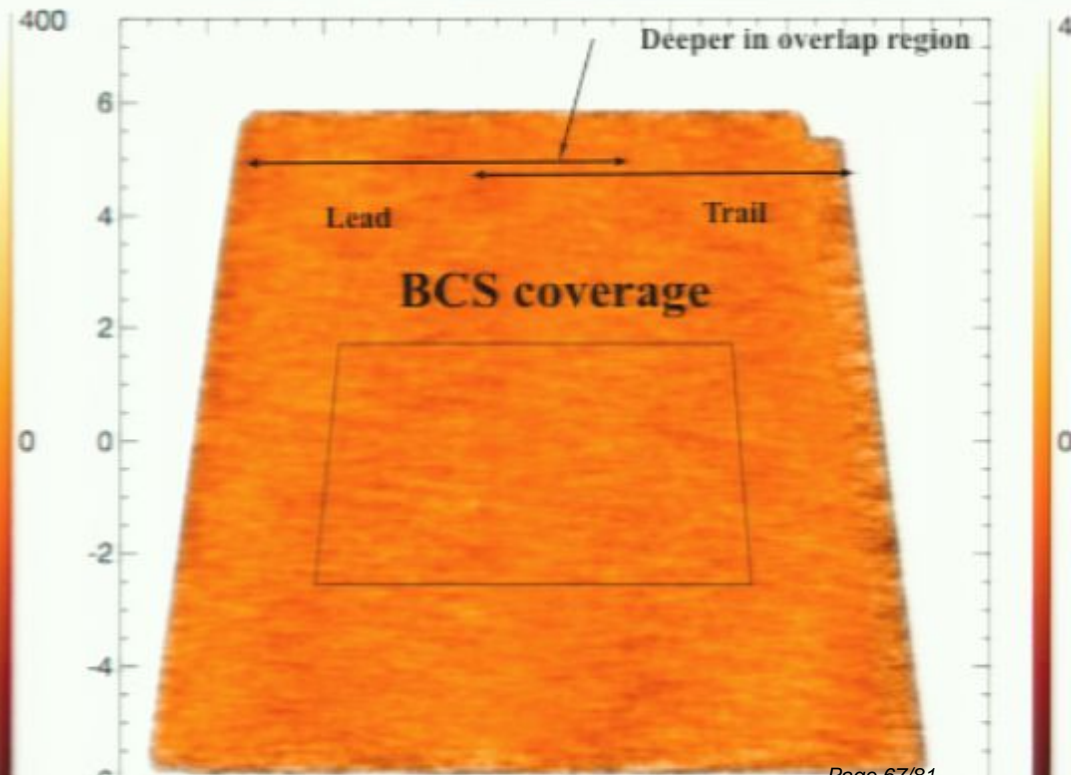
- Mapped with alternating Lead/Trail azimuth raster scans
- ~1000 hours of observation (so far)
- 100 deg² ~15 uK/arcmin pixel
- 40 deg² overlap with BCS

150 GHz L+R map



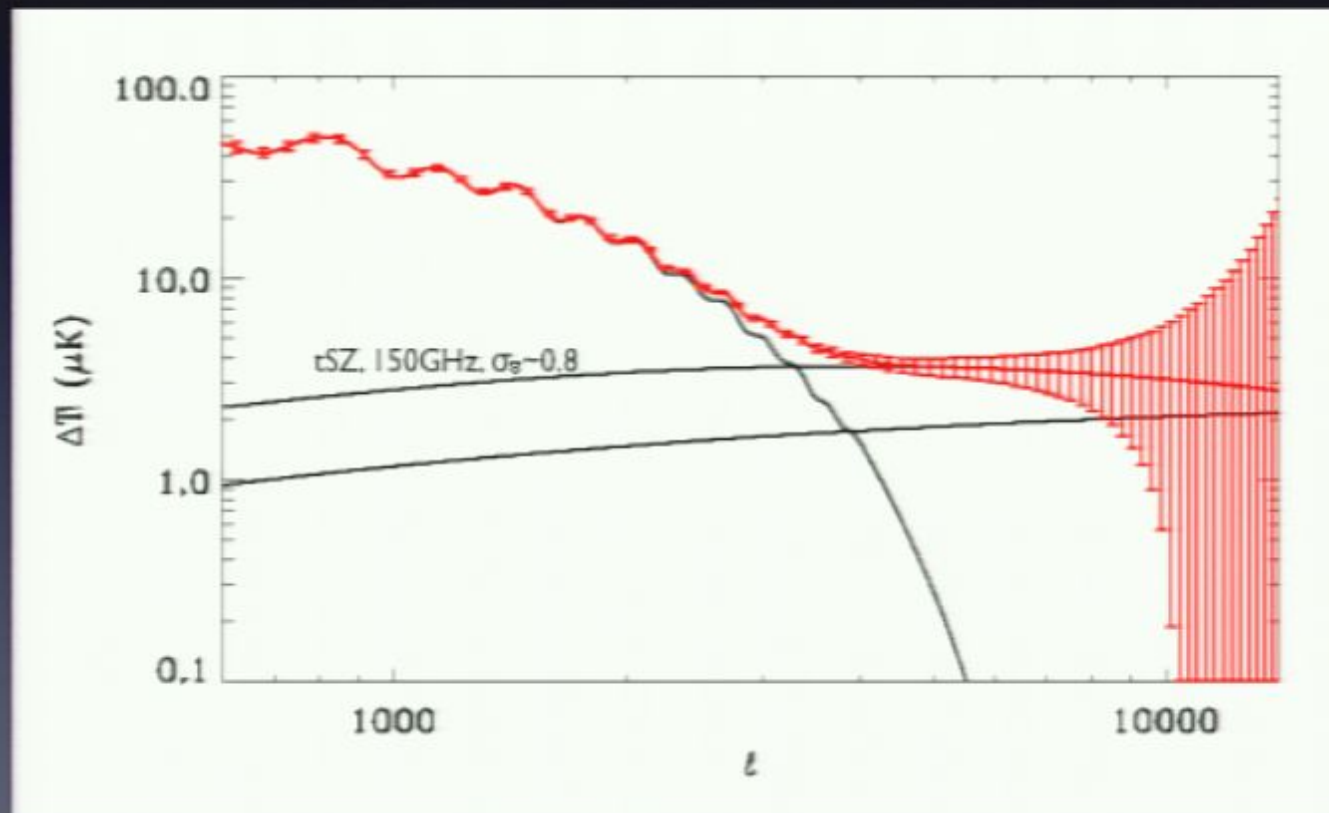
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150 GHz L-R map



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Power spectrum forecast for 100 square degrees



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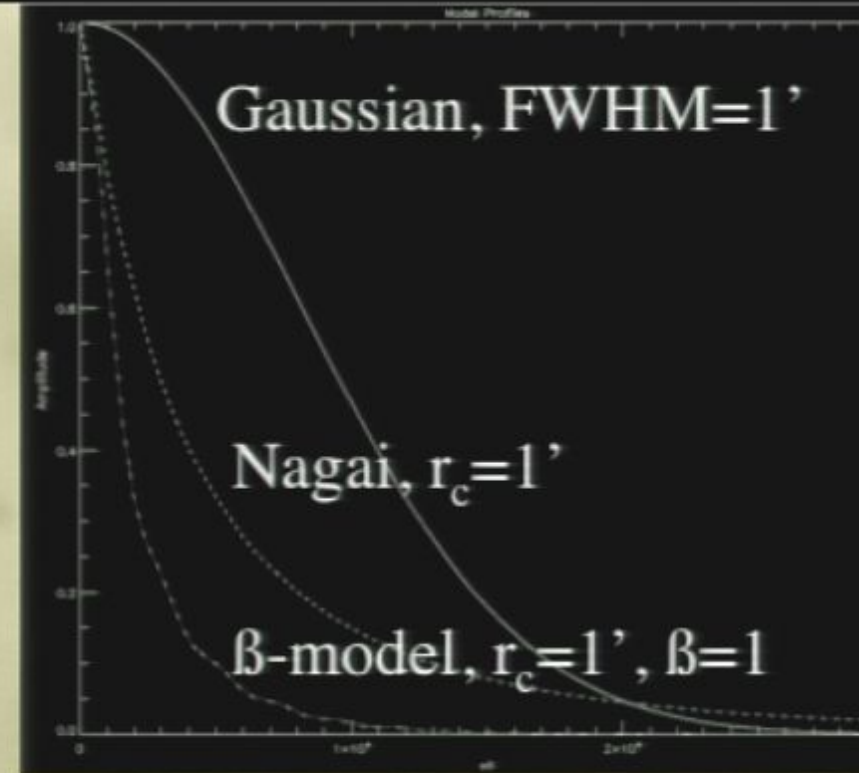
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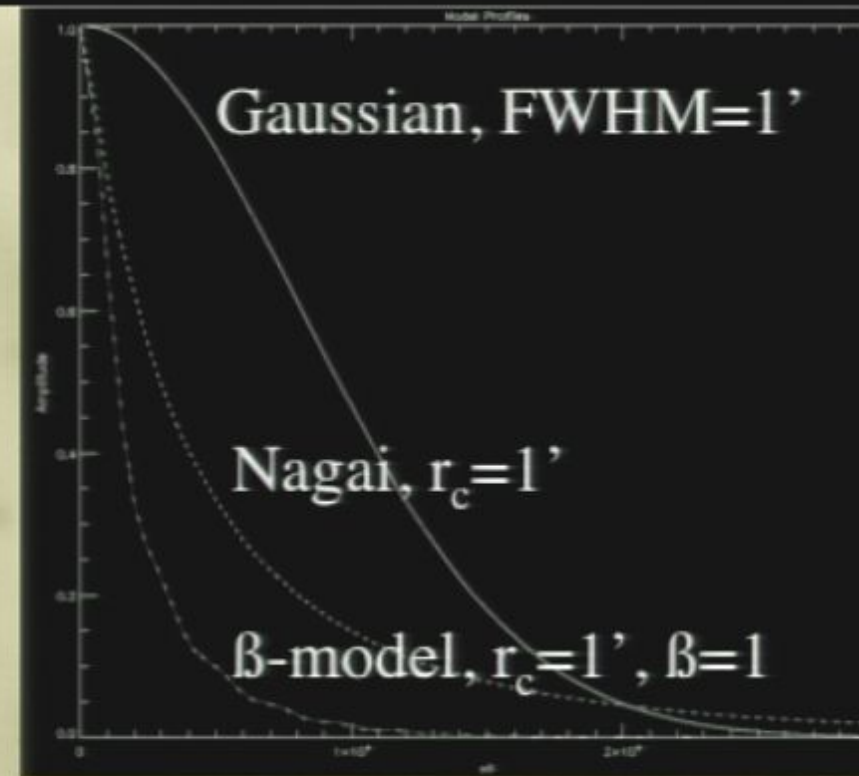
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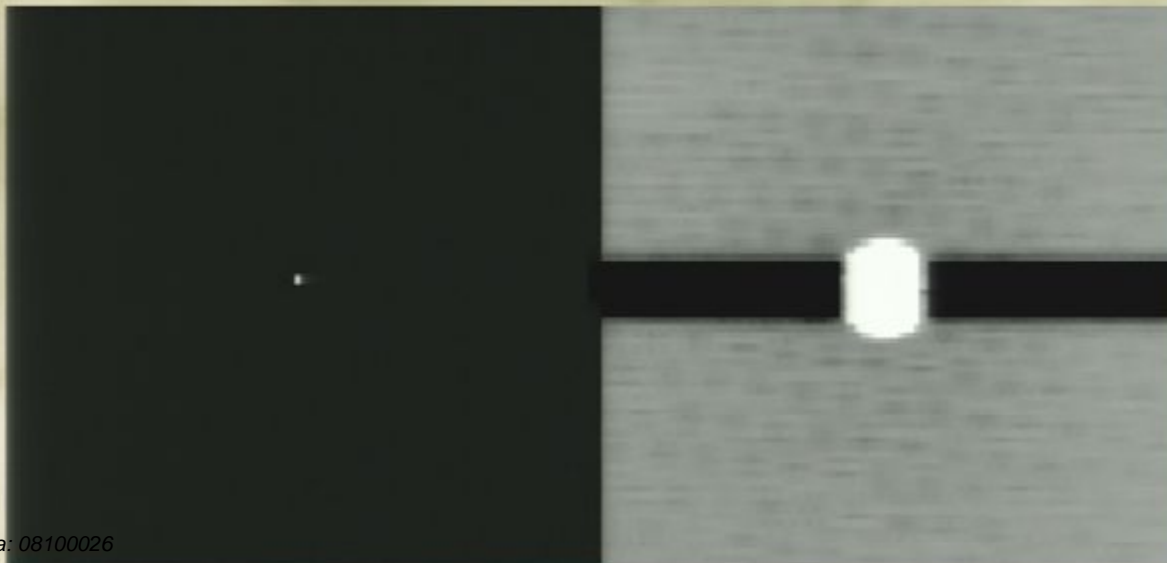
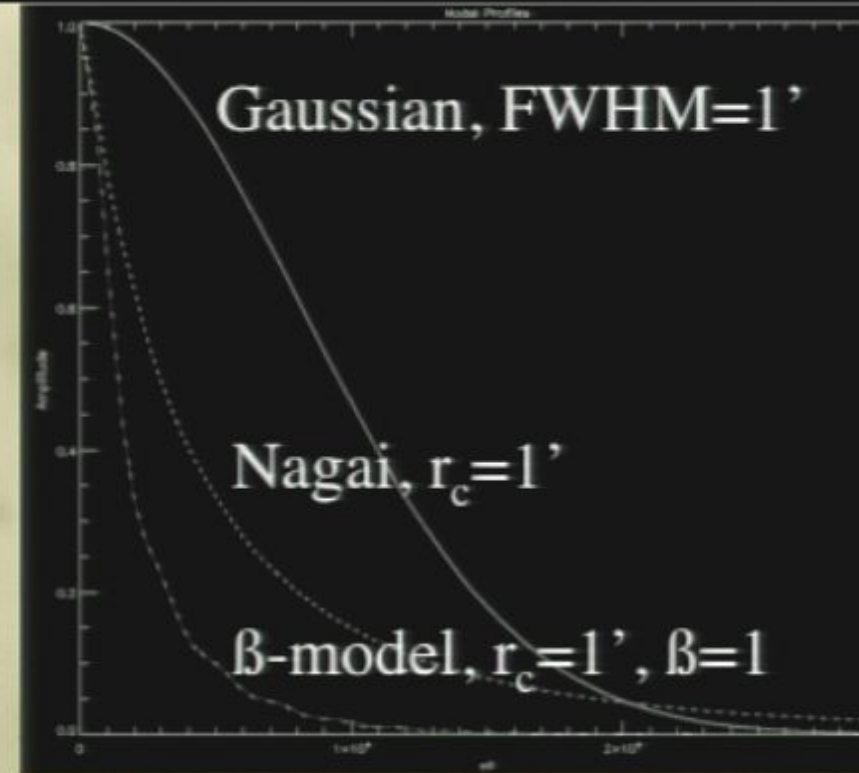


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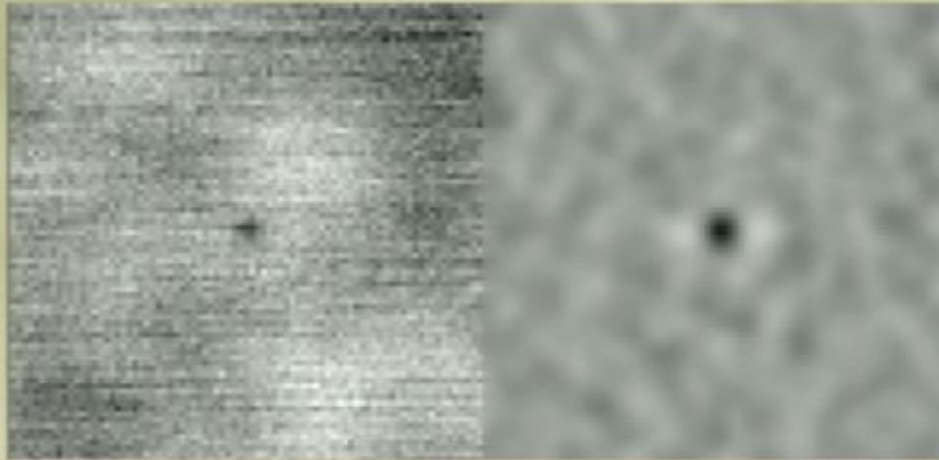


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Raw

Filtered

40'



12σ

*Template for
matched filter
was a*

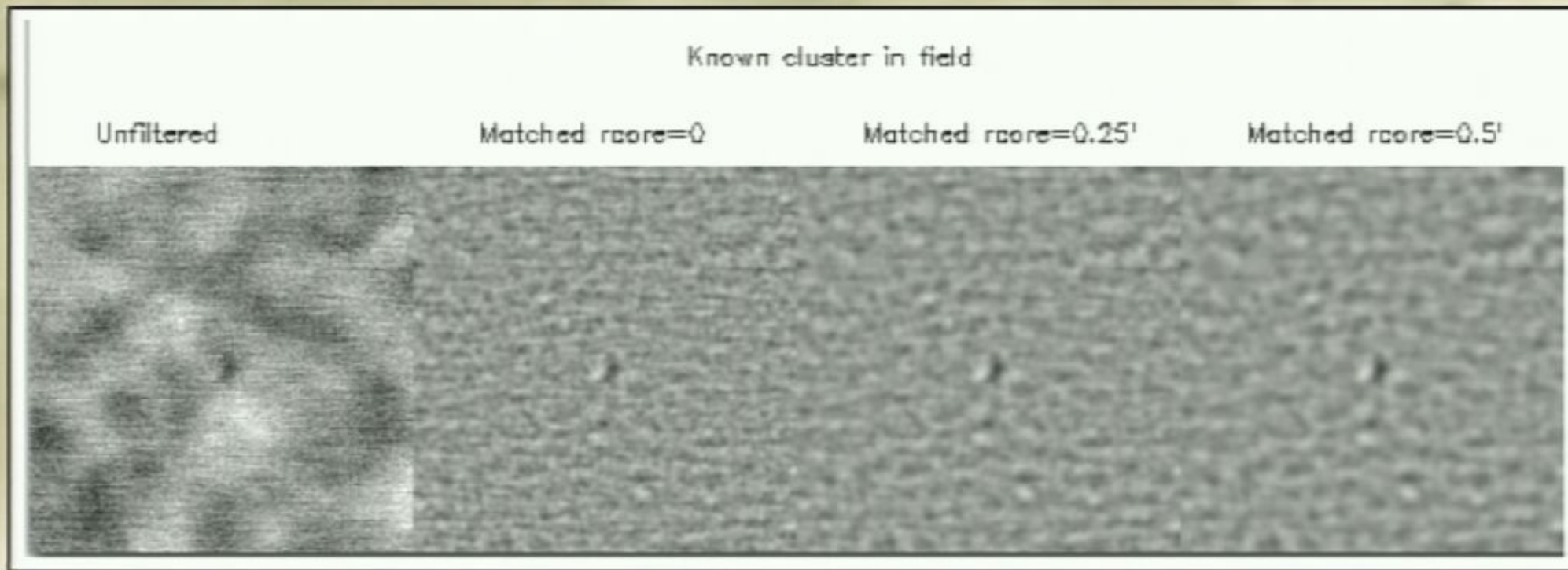
β -model:

$r_c=1', \beta=1$

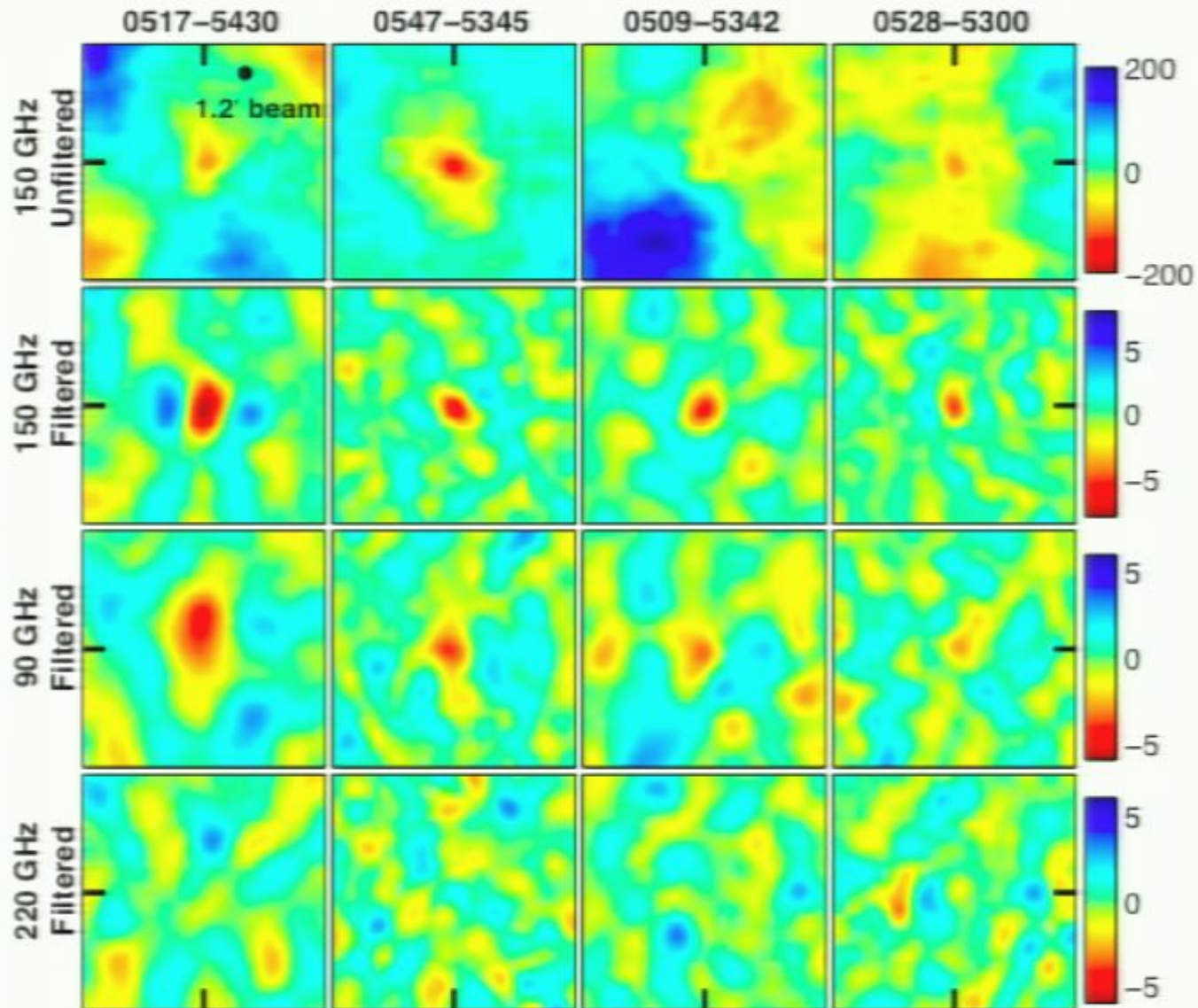


8σ

results don't depend much on details.



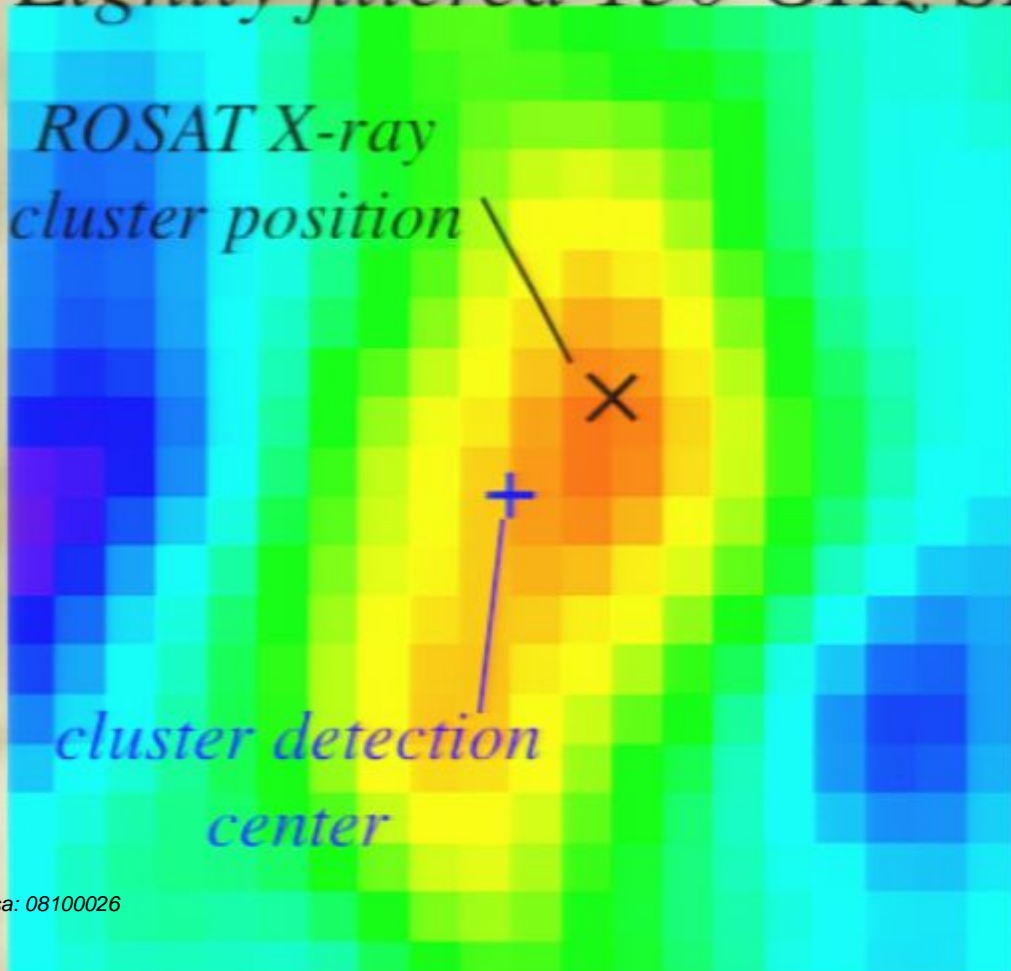
SZ selected clusters!



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Lightly filtered 150 GHz SPT map

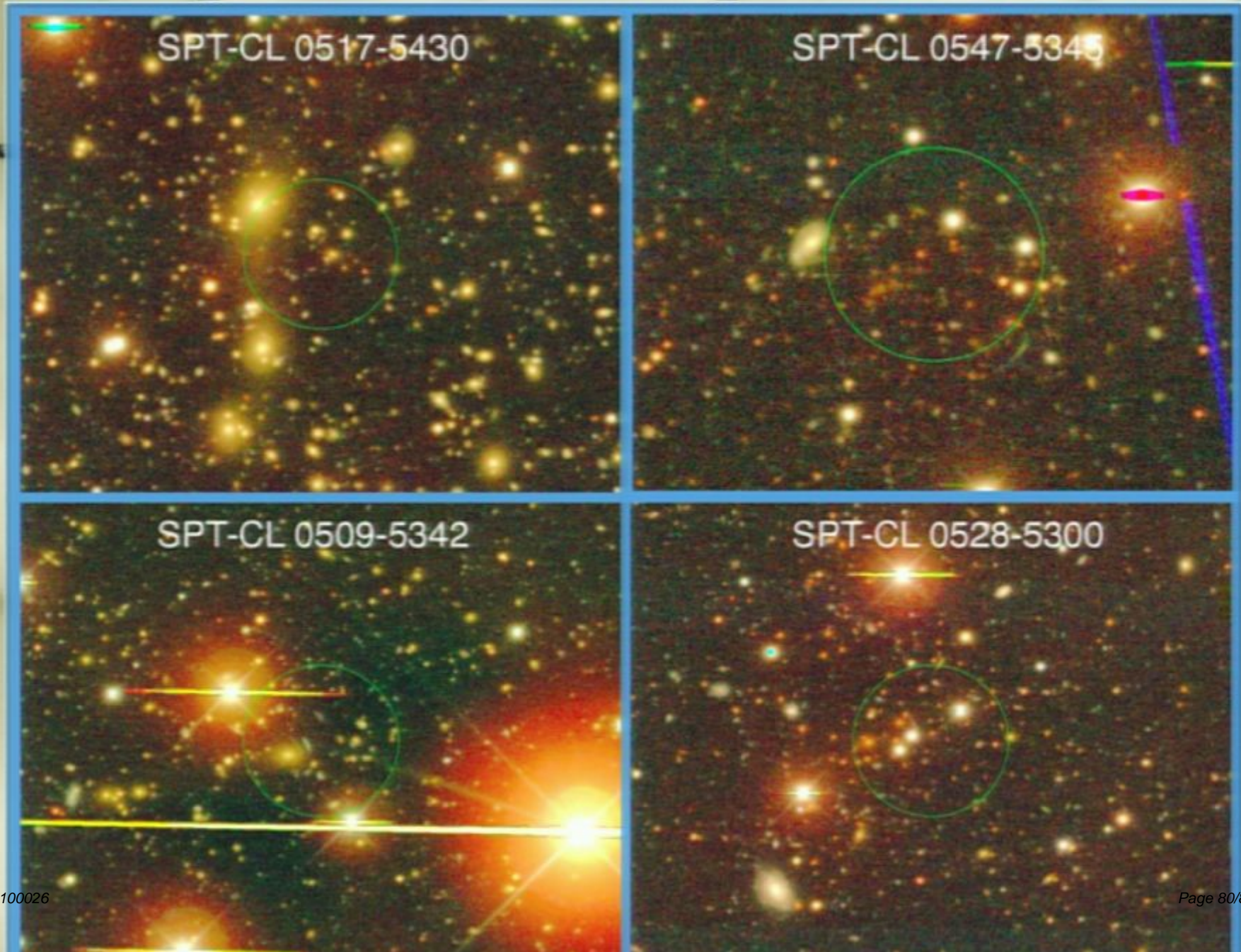
*ROSAT X-ray
cluster position*



*brightest detection =
known cluster*

very encouraging

Optical followup with BCS



Conclusions

- The South Pole Telescope is an exciting tool for Cosmology
 - Dark energy (tSz, kSz)
 - Inflation (damping tail)
- SPT has data
 - nearing the end of our second observing season
 - completed 2 100 sq. deg fields overlapping with BCS
 - **detected clusters using the SZ effect!**
 - analysis underway for SZ and CMB signals