

Title: Experimental Windows on the Expansion History of the Universe

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Abstract: I'll discuss three promising upcoming experimental measurements that will probe the expansion history of the universe: (1) growth bases tests of Dark Energy with the Sunyaev-Zeldovich Effect, including new results from the South Pole Telescope and APEX-SZ, (2) inflationary constraints that will be provided by the next generation of CMB-polarization experiments, with prospects from EBEX, and (3) standard ruler measurements from Baryon Acoustic oscillations, including an introduction to an ambitious new Canadian Hydrogen Intensity Mapping initiative called CHIME. The talk will build on the PI-presentation last week from SPT-collaborator Jeff McMahon. I'll focus on the experimental aspects of each measurement, it's interface to theory, and spend most of the time on (3) CHIME.

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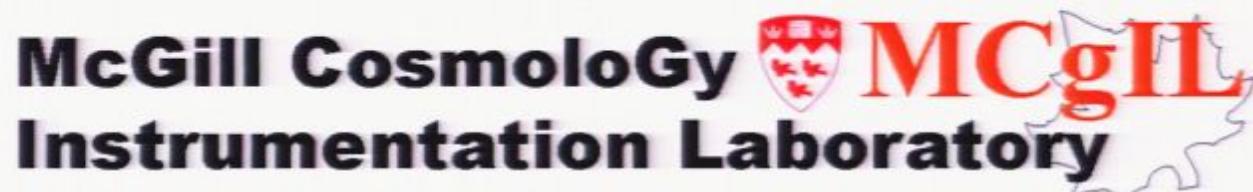
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1. Growth-based D.E. Test
2. Inflationary Expansion Test
3. Scale-based D.E. Test

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**What we built,  
what we're building,  
and what we're gonna build.**

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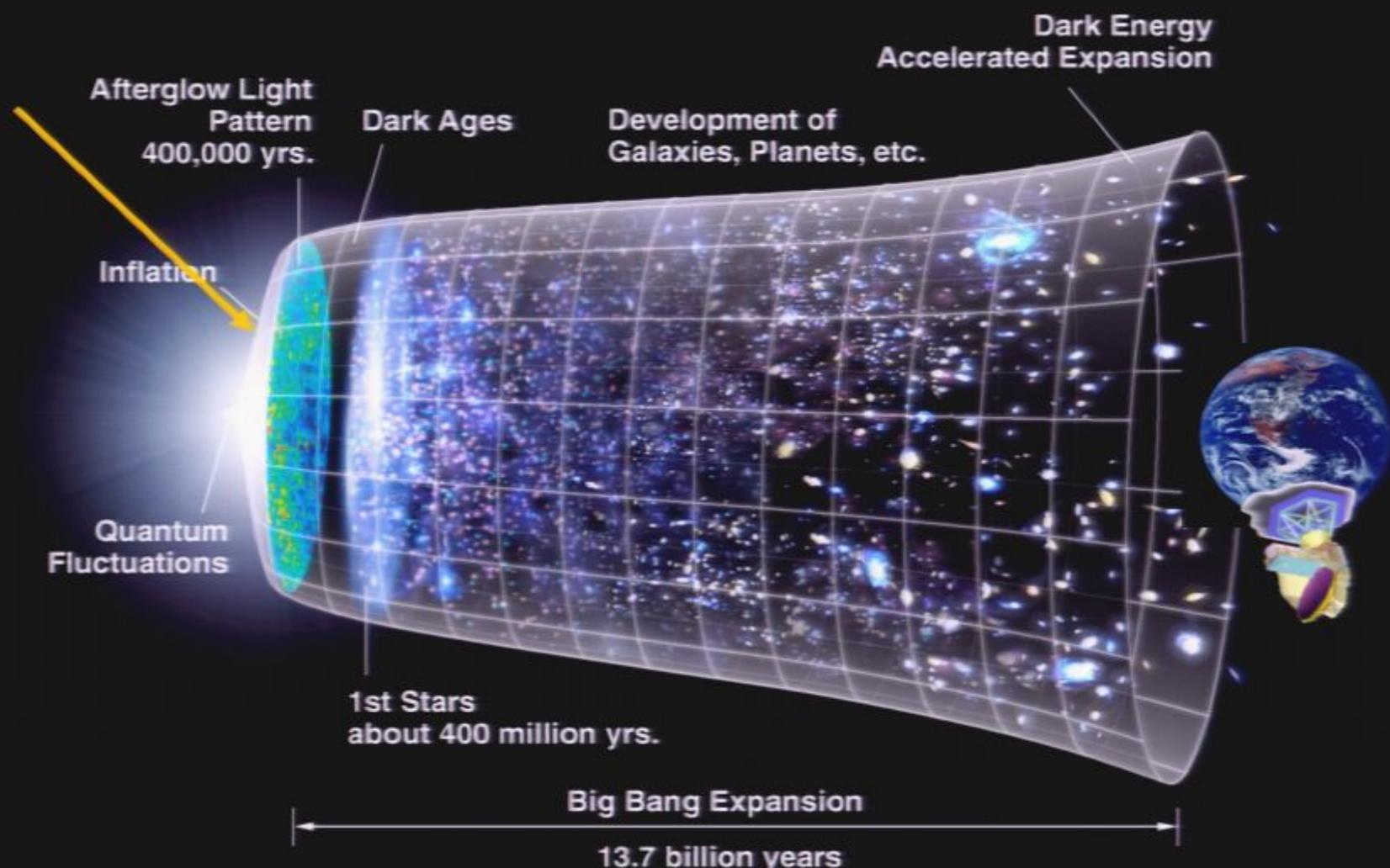
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# Inflationary Expansion Tests

**EBEX**

# Observational Cosmology



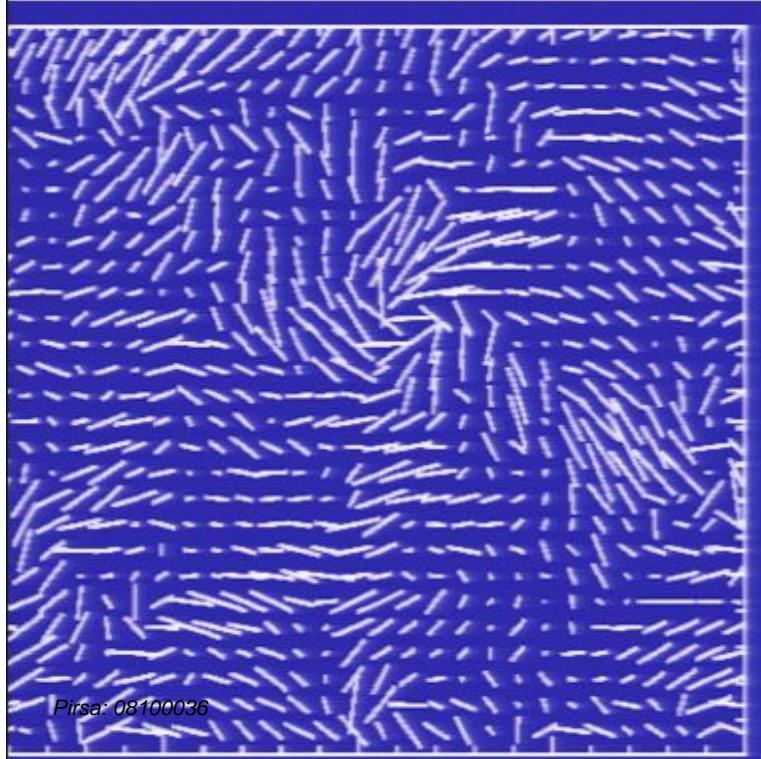
# Gravity Waves from Inflation

- *inflationary gravity wave background* (IGB) provides fingerprint of inflation ( $10^{16}$  GeV)
- imprinted on CMB as curl component of polarization signal

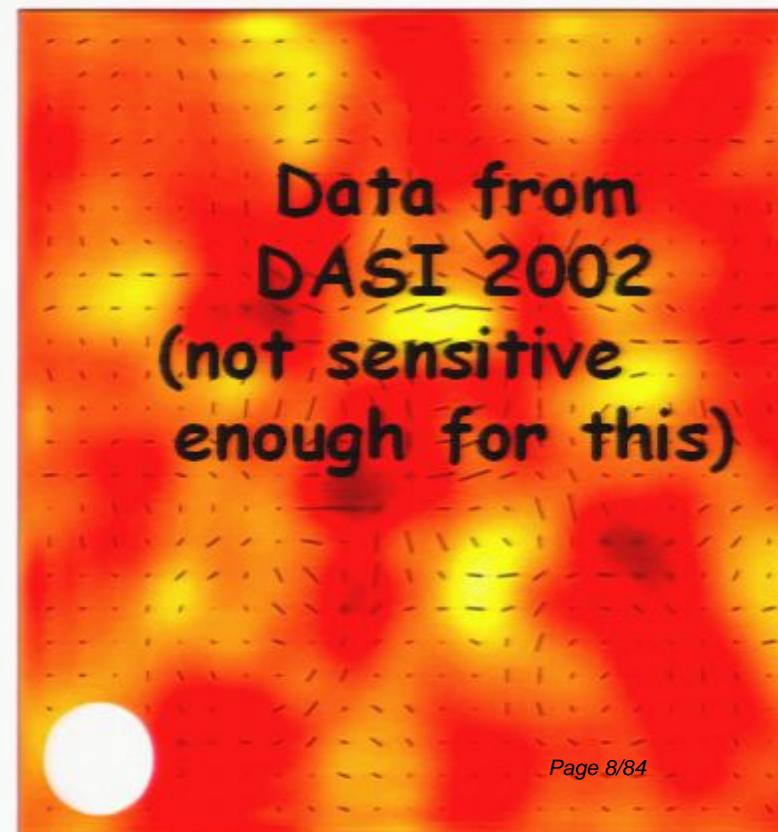


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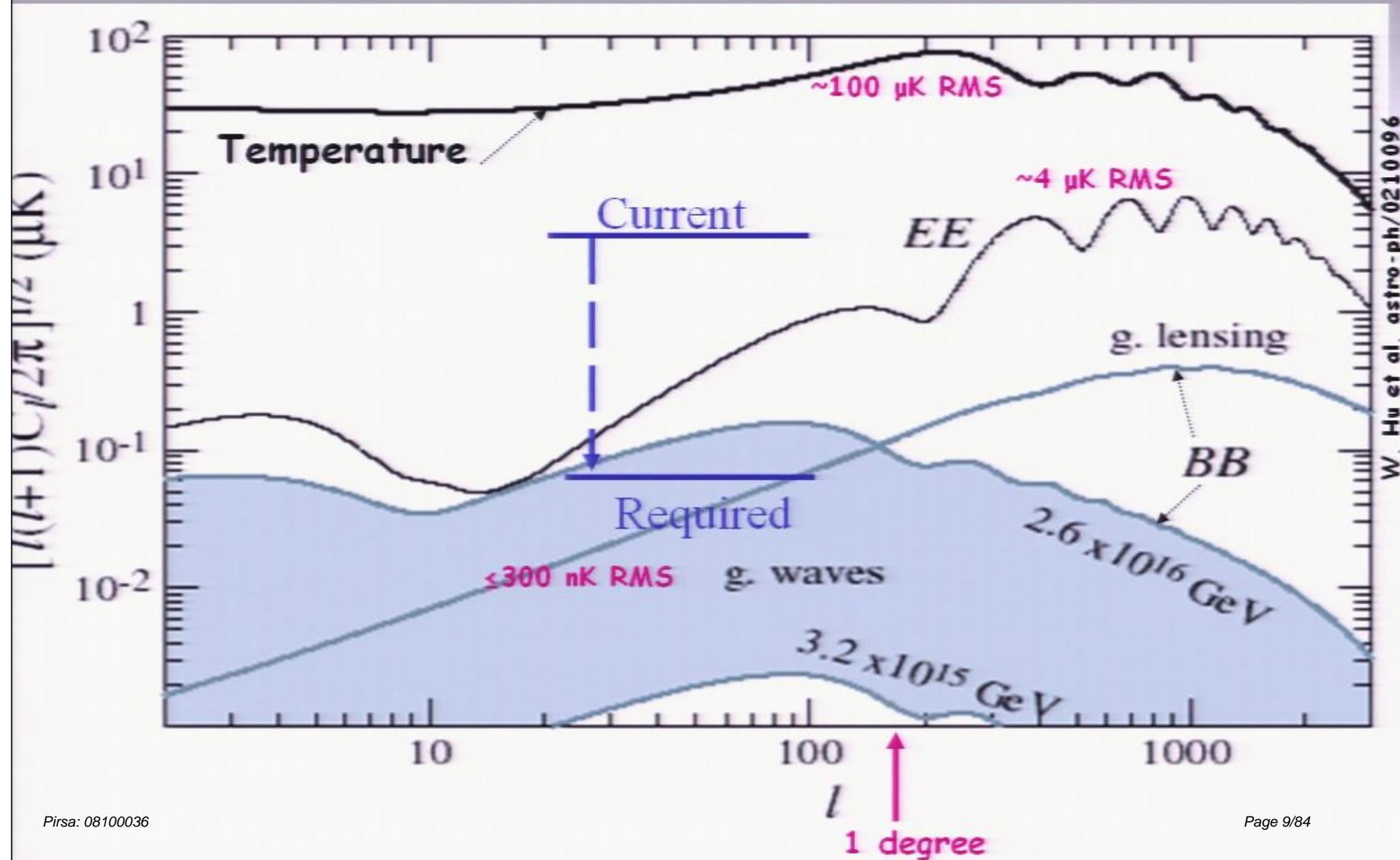
- gravity wave signature encoded in CMB POLARIZATION
- *the catch:*  
→ factor  $\leq 10^{-2}$  smaller than the temperature anisotropy.



Example of  
what gravity  
waves would  
look like



# CMB Polarization













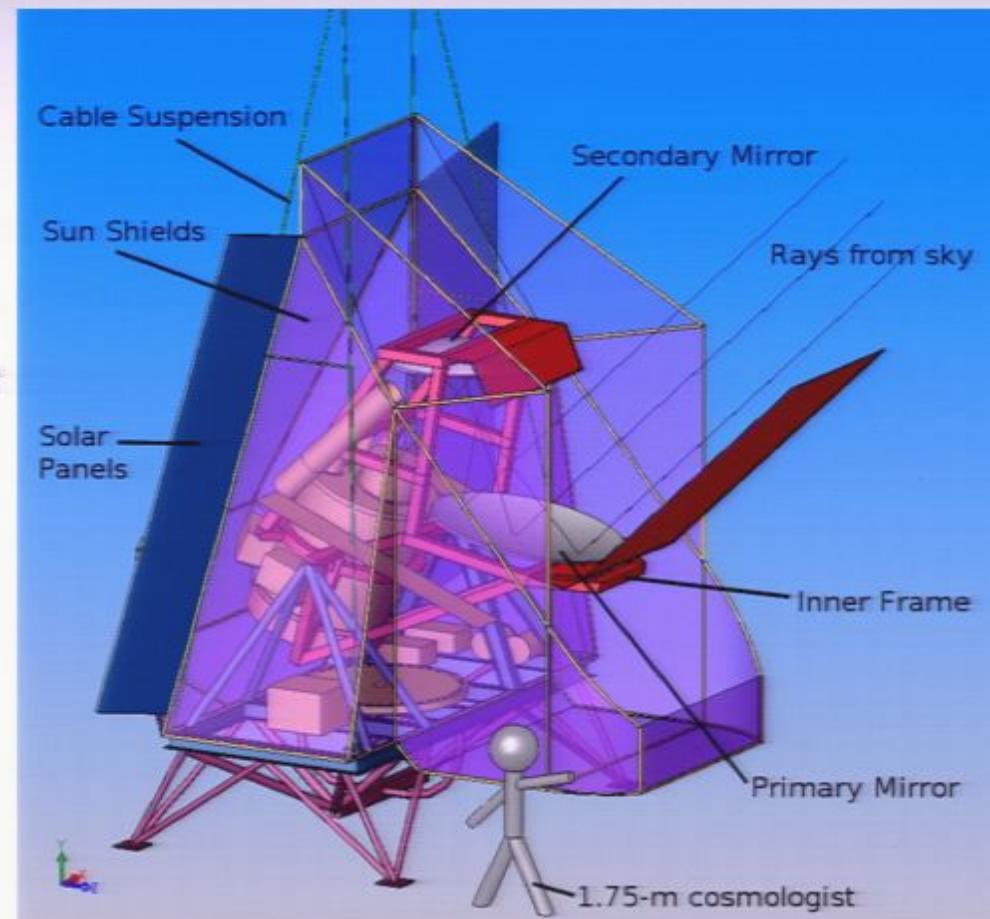






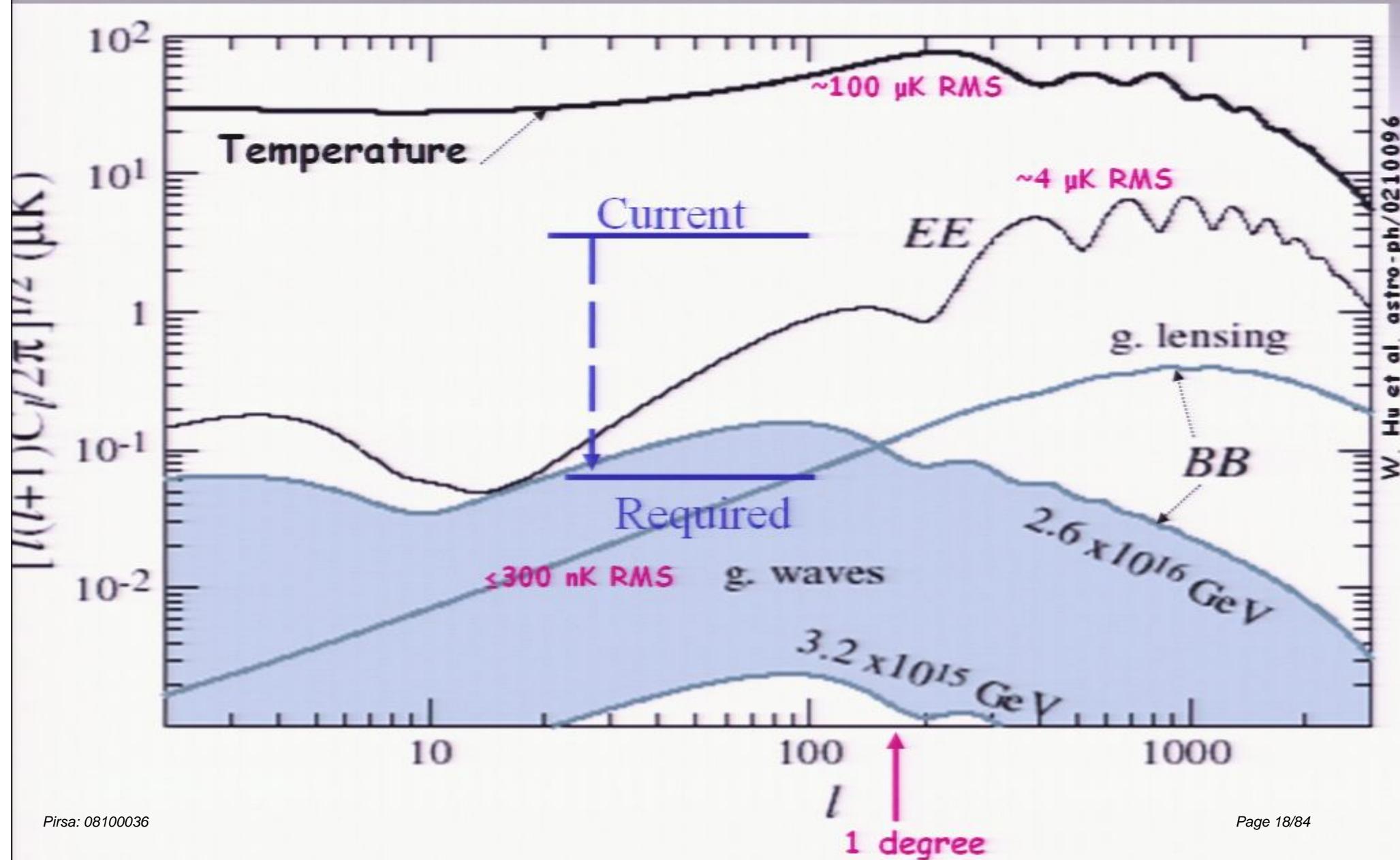
# EBEX

- 2-3 week Antarctic balloon flight
- 800, 400, 300 **spiderweb TES** detectors at 150, 250, 420 GHz
- **Frequency** MUX readout
- Polarimetry with **polychromatic half wave plate + wire grid**
- Dragone **Telescope**, clear aperture
  
- Resolution: **8'** at all frequencies
  - $420 \text{ deg}^2$        $700 \text{ nK}/8' \text{ pixel}$
- Science focus
  - **$20 < \ell < 400$**
  - Go after B-modes
  - Measure dust foreground accurately.



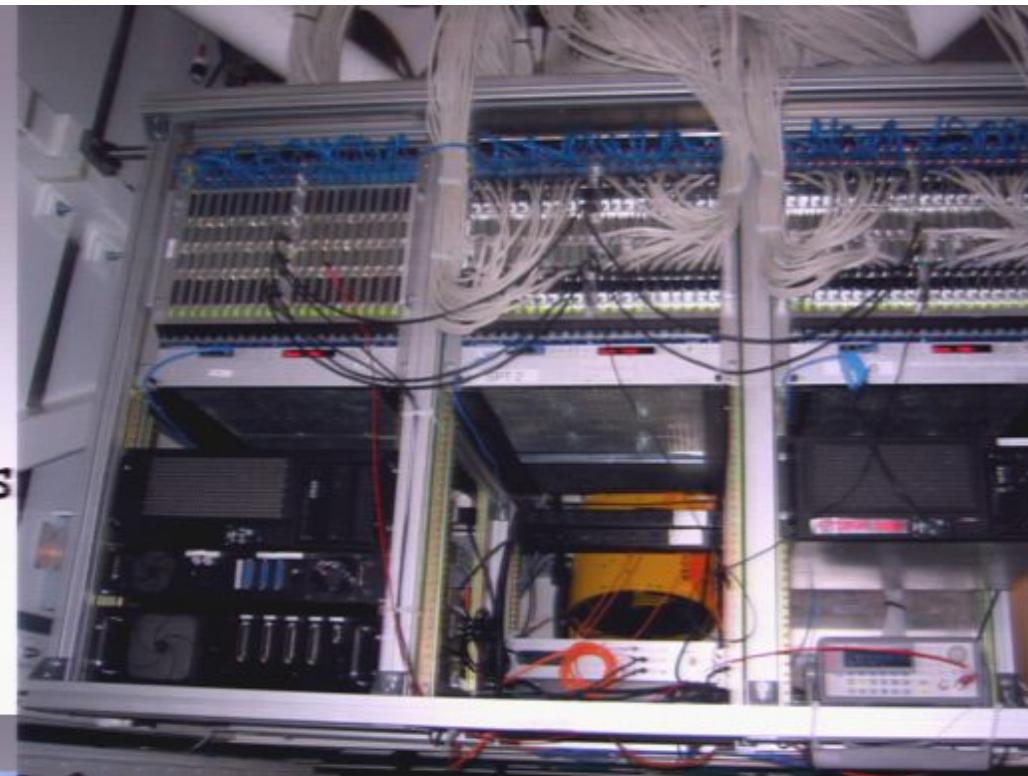
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# CMB Polarization



# At the McGill Cosmology Instrumentation Lab

We specialize in detector readout:  
Cold superconducting electronics  
Warm FPGA electronics



Circa 2006  
Electronic readout system for the South Pole Telescope.



Circa 2008  
Electronic readout system for a NASA balloon borne CMB telescope.

# Growth-based Dark Energy Tests

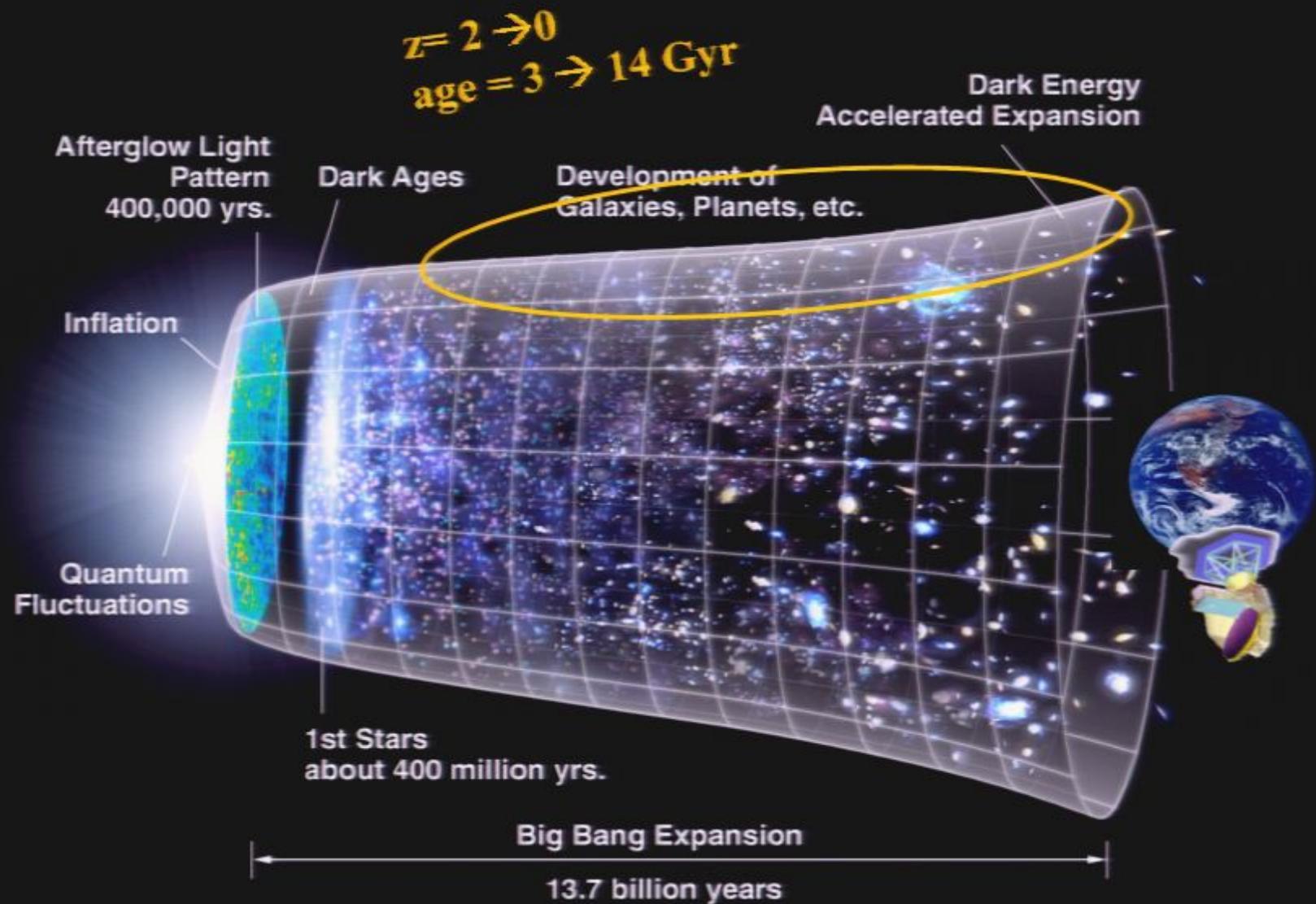
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# The Sunyaev Zel'Dovich Effect

- Proportional to the total thermal energy of cluster
- Surface Brightness Independent of redshift

$$\text{SZE Flux: } S \propto \frac{1}{d_A(z)^2} \int n_e T_e dl$$

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# Dark Energy Constraints with Clusters of Galaxies

Cluster Abundance,  $dN/dz$

$$\frac{dN}{d\Omega dz} = n(z) \frac{dV}{d\Omega dz}$$

Depends on:

Matter Power Spectrum,  $P(k)$

Growth Rate of Structure,  $D(z)$

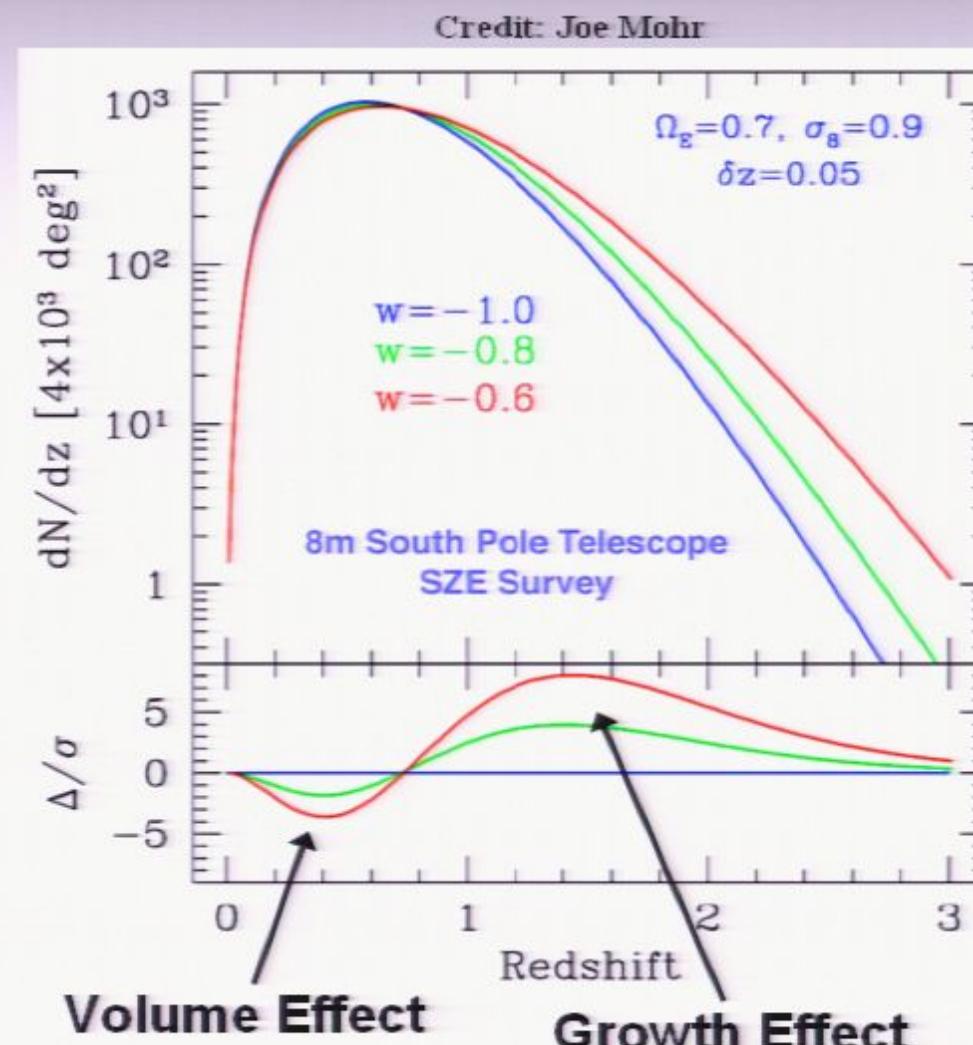
Depends on:

Rate of Expansion,  $H(z)$

For fixed  $\Omega_{DE}$  and increasing  $w$ :

1. Fewer clusters at low redshift,  
due to decreased volume surveyed

2. More clusters at high redshift,  
due to decreased growth rate



# South Pole Telescope Spider TES Arrays

Berkeley, CWRU, Cardiff, Chicago, Colorado, Davis, Illinois, JPL, McGill, SAO

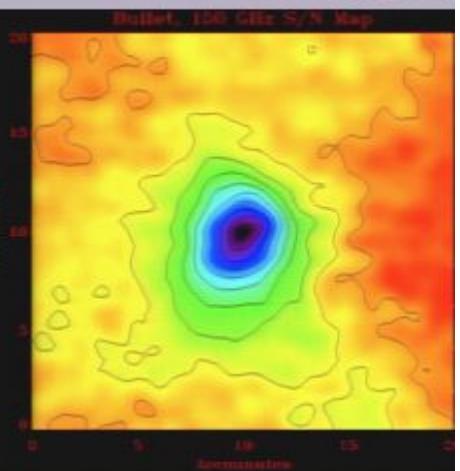
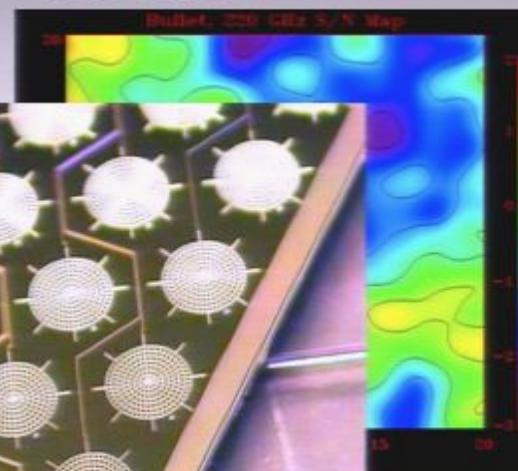
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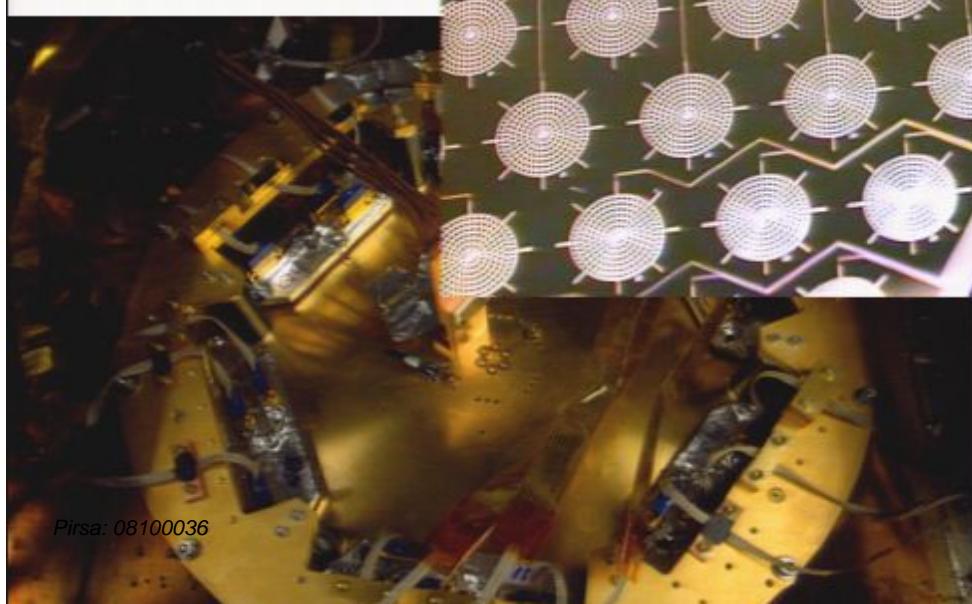
220 GHz

Bullet Cluster

150 G



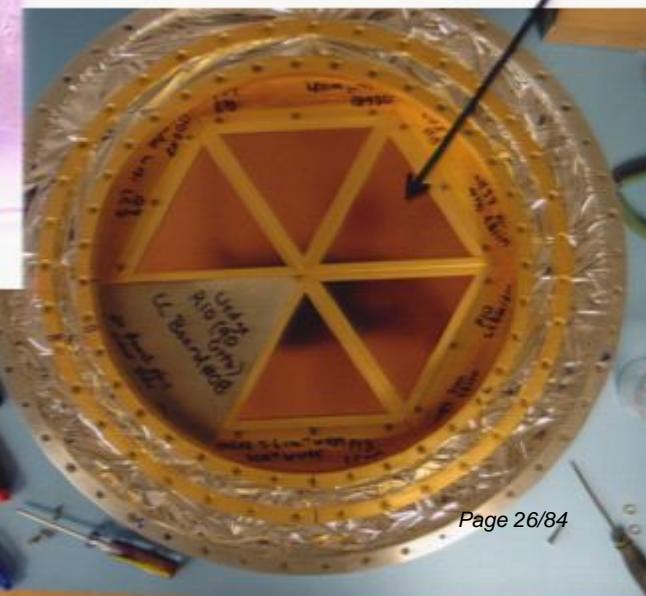
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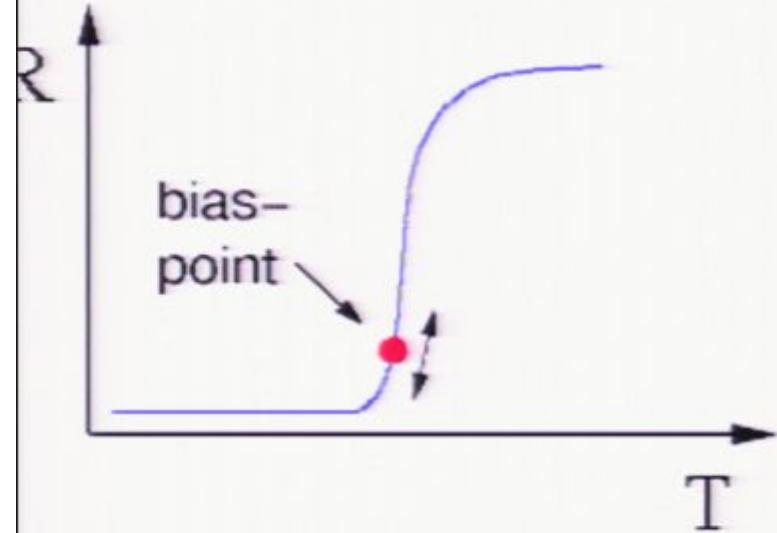
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20 cm

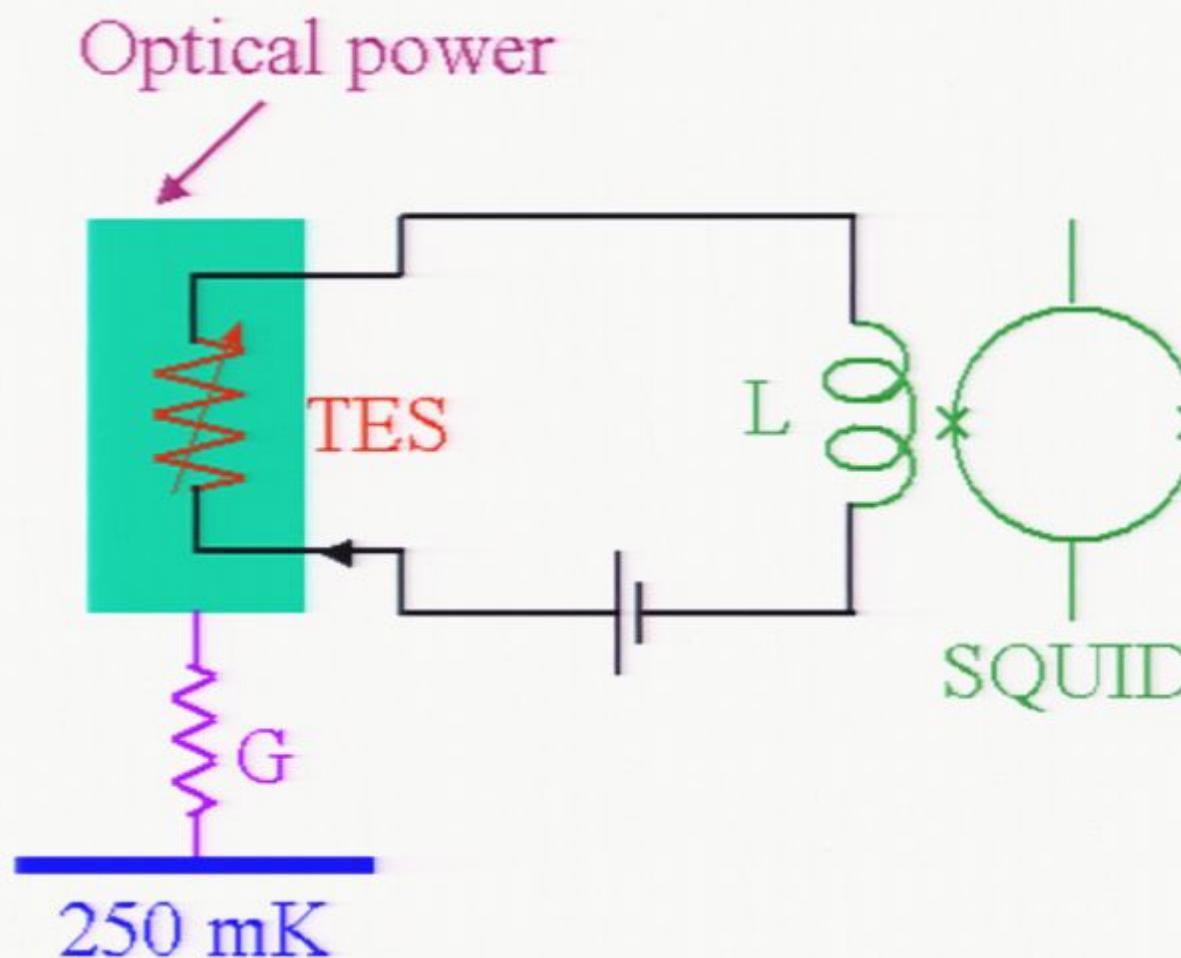
Mesh filter



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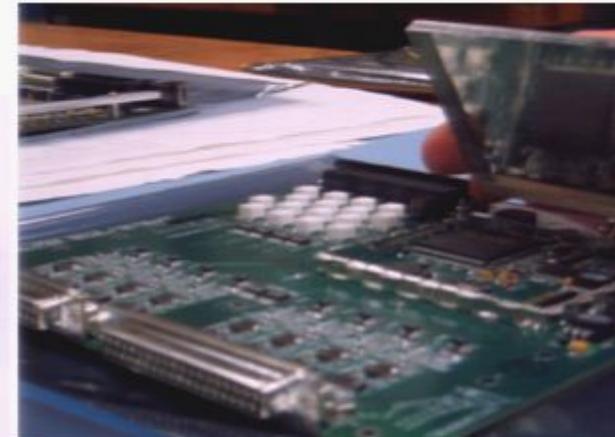
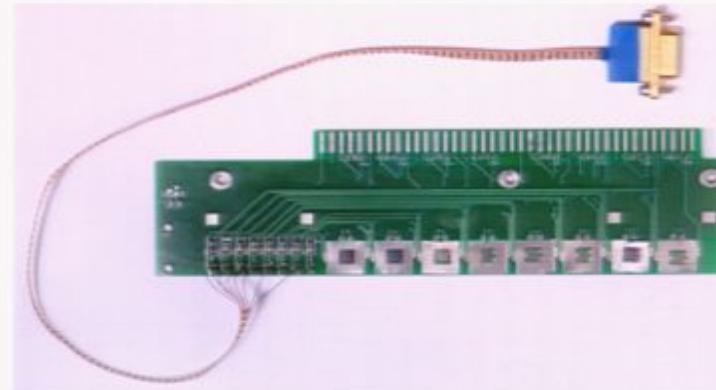
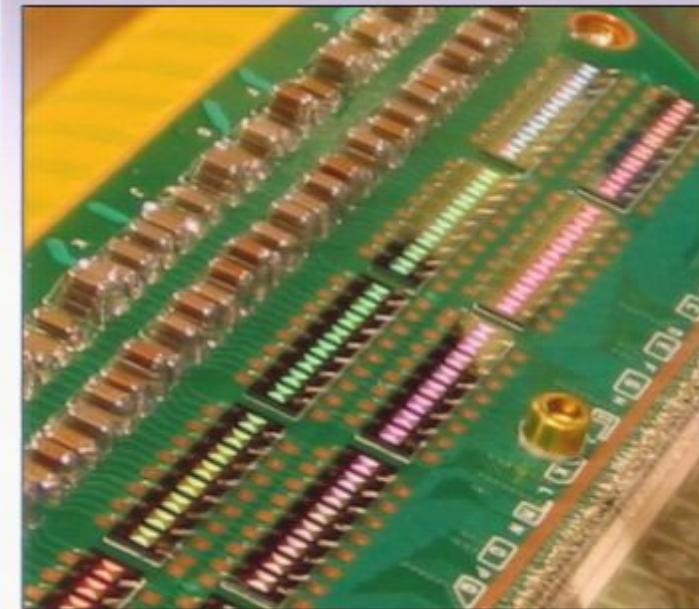
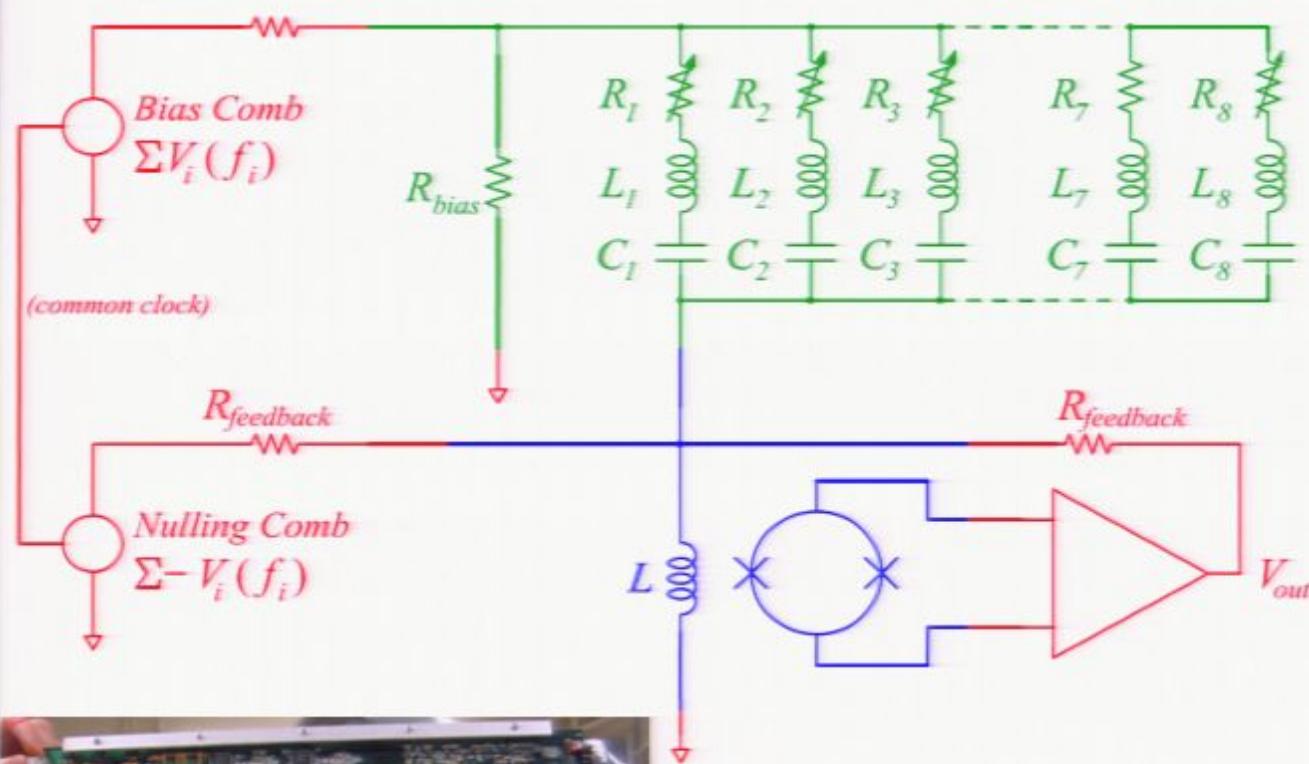


$$P_{\text{bias}} = V_{\text{bias}}^2 / R$$

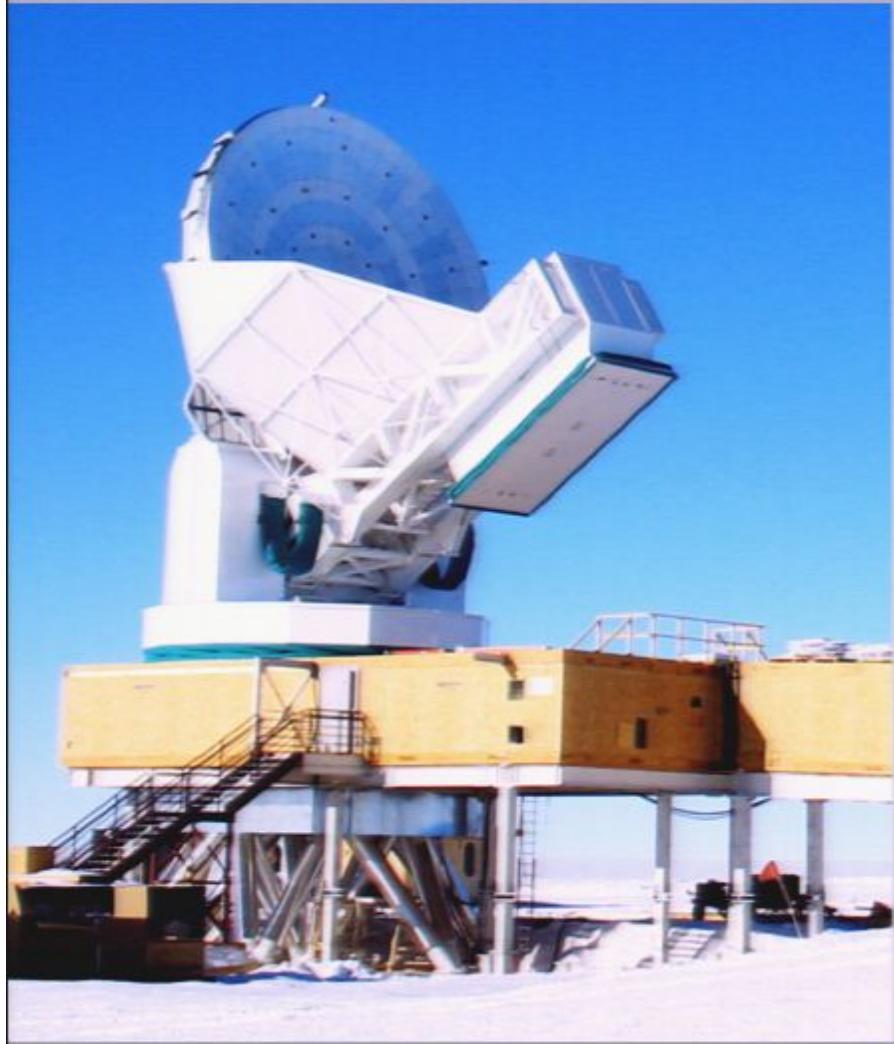


$$P_{\text{total}} = P_{\text{bias}} + P_{\text{photon}} \approx \text{constant}$$

# Frequency-domain multiplexer



# The South Pole Telescope (SPT)



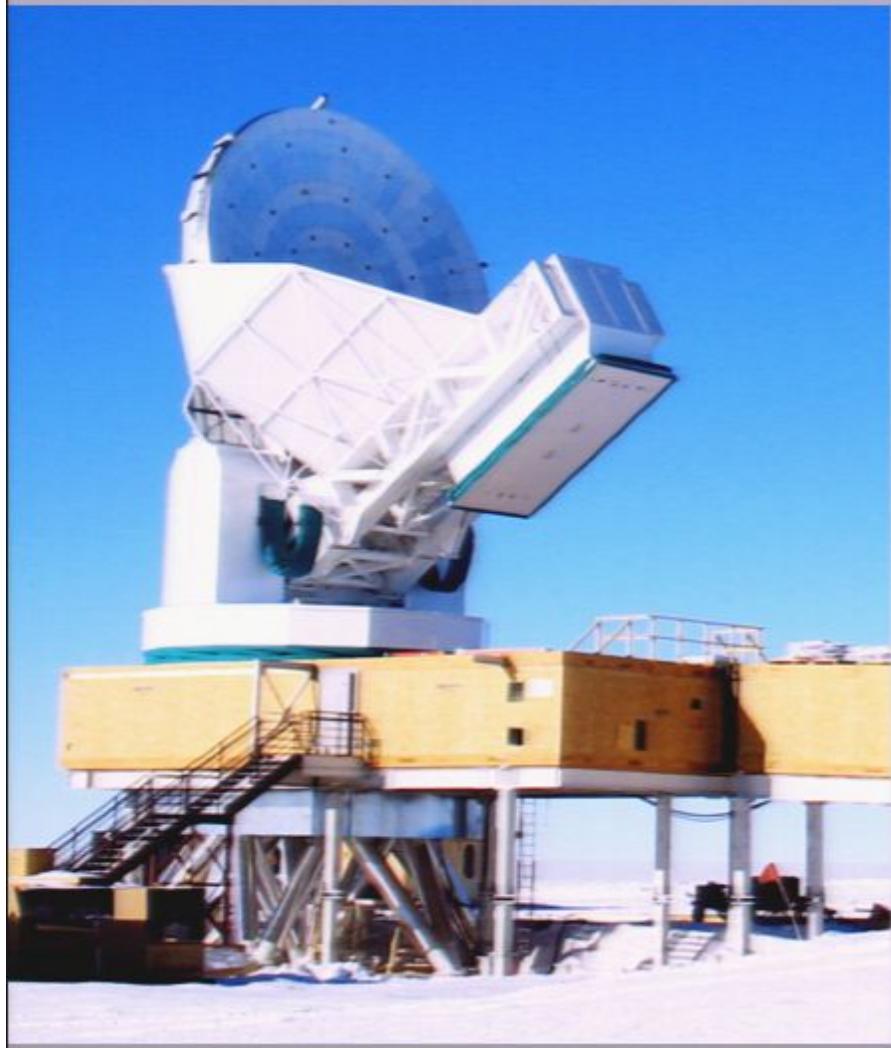
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- **10 meter telescope (1' FWHM beam at 150 GHz)**
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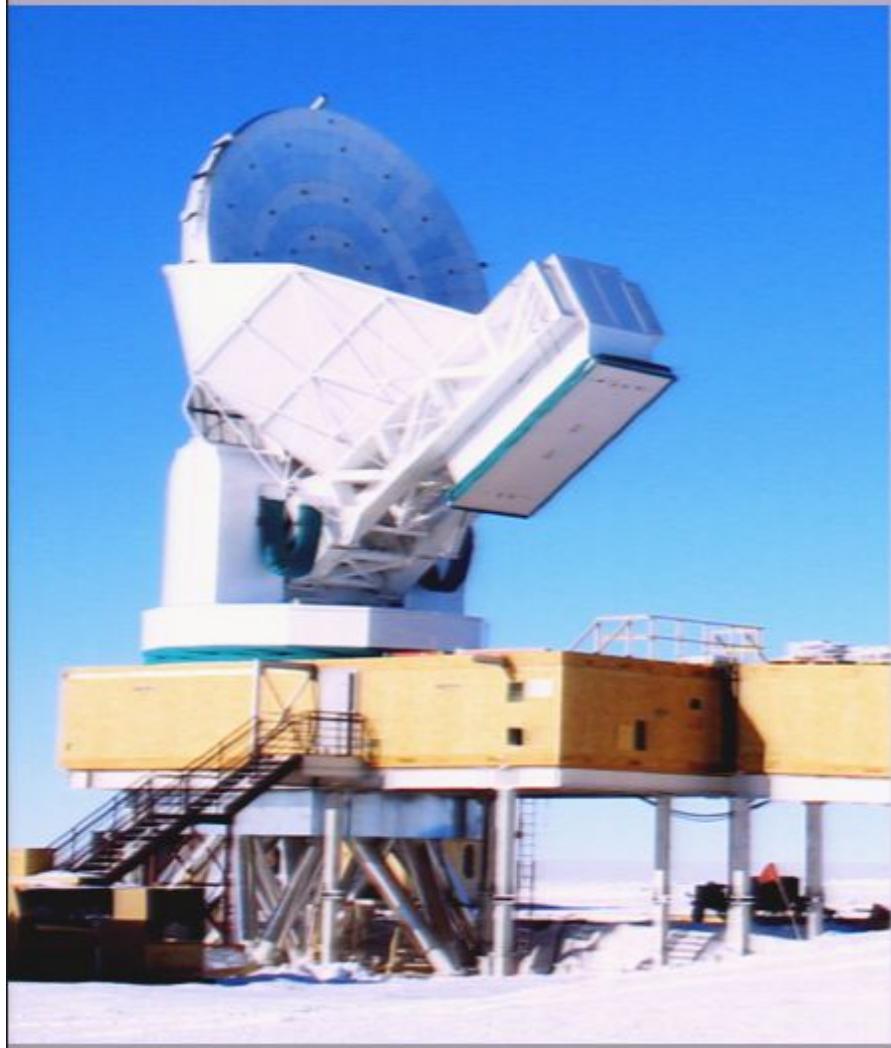
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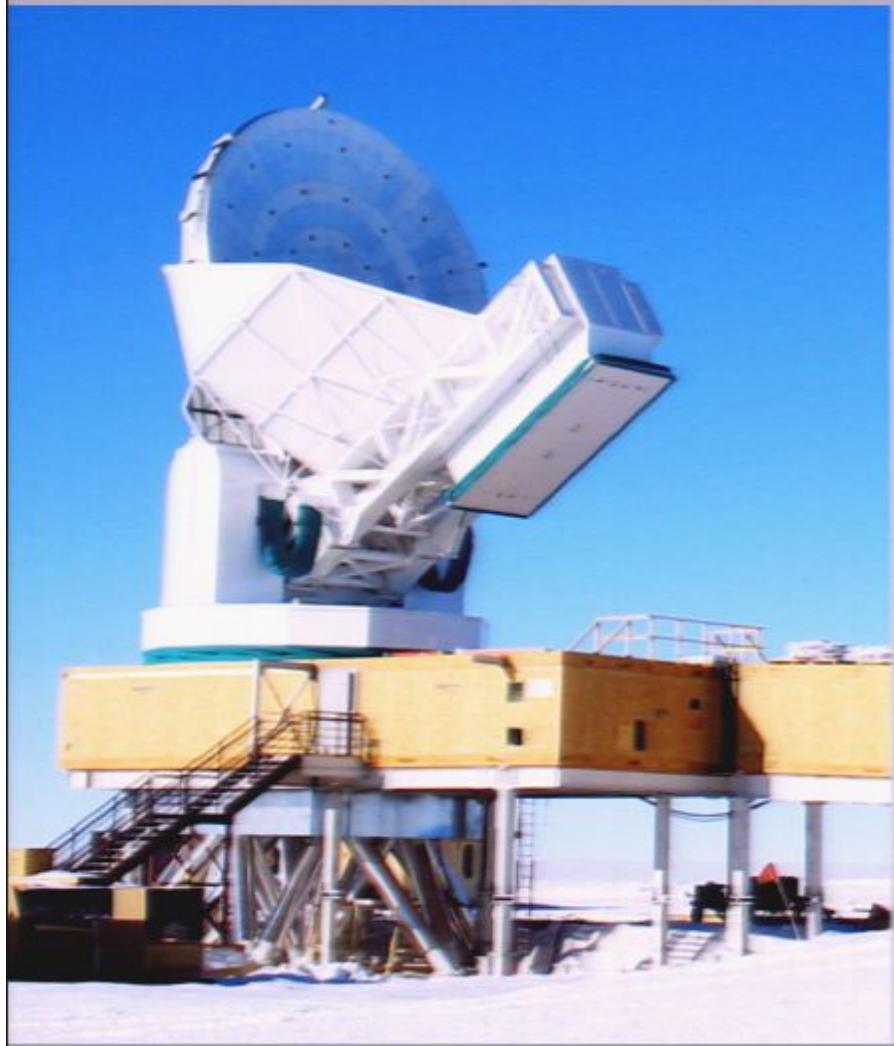
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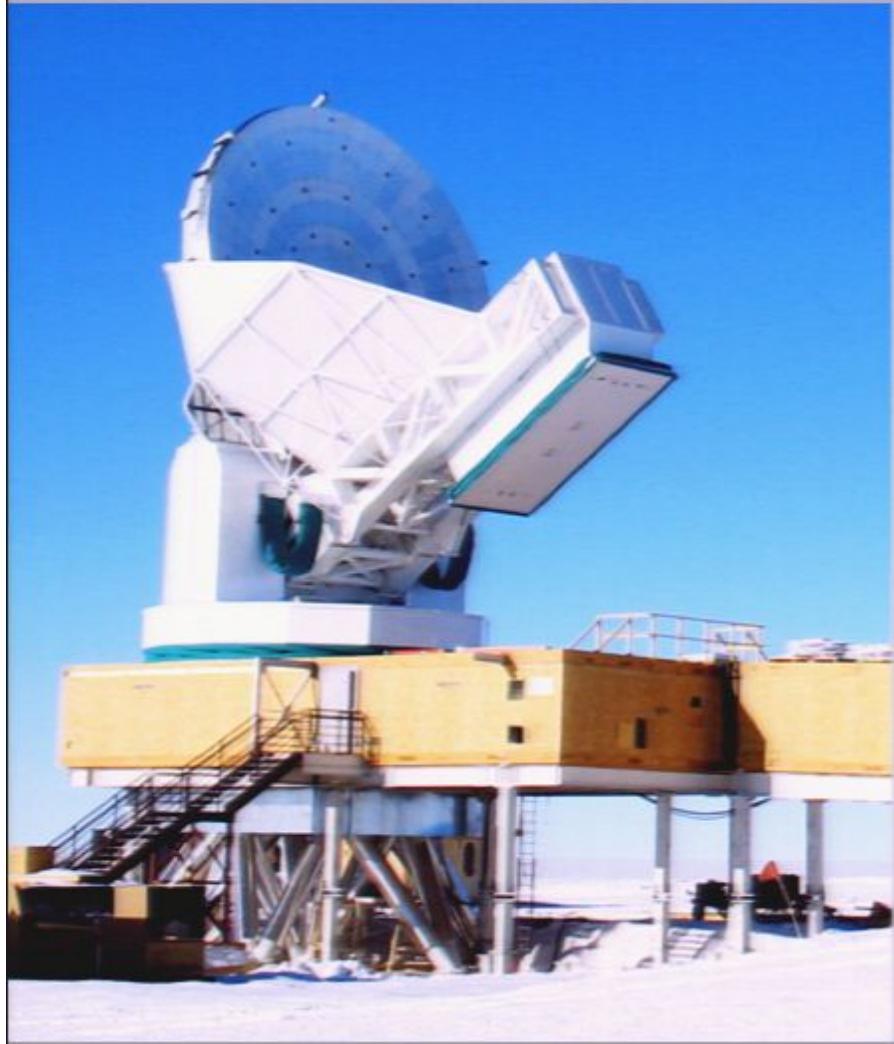
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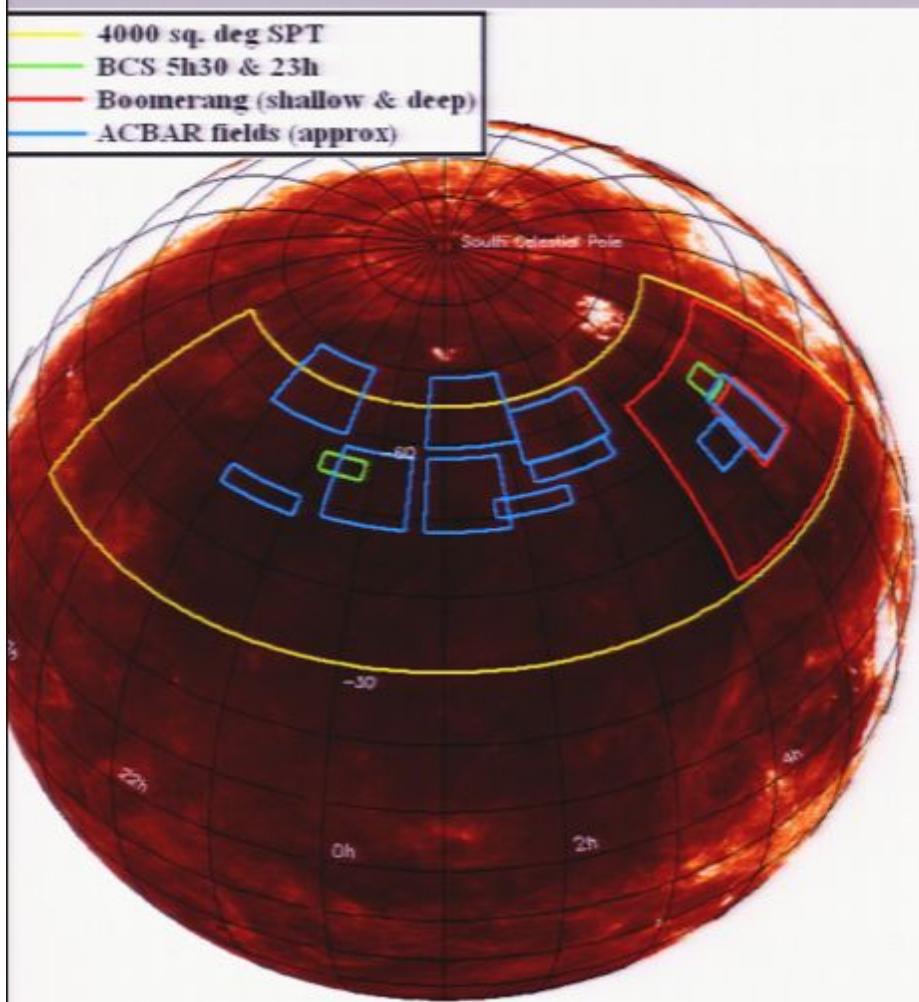
# SPT Collaboration

## SPT 2nd Season Focal Plane Stats

<i>Band</i> (GHz)	<i>Num.of Bolos</i>	<i>NET<sub>RJ</sub></i> ( $\mu K s^{1/2}$ )	
90	~ 35	~ 800	• 150 and 220 GHz essentially background limited
150	~ 350	~ 220	• 90 GHz sensitivity is lacking (fab error)
220	~ 200	~ 280	• Will add 2 new 90 GHz wedges in December 2008

(For comparison, ACBAR had 16 bolometers at 150 GHz with NET of ~ 210  $\mu K s^{1/2}$ )

# SPT observing regions

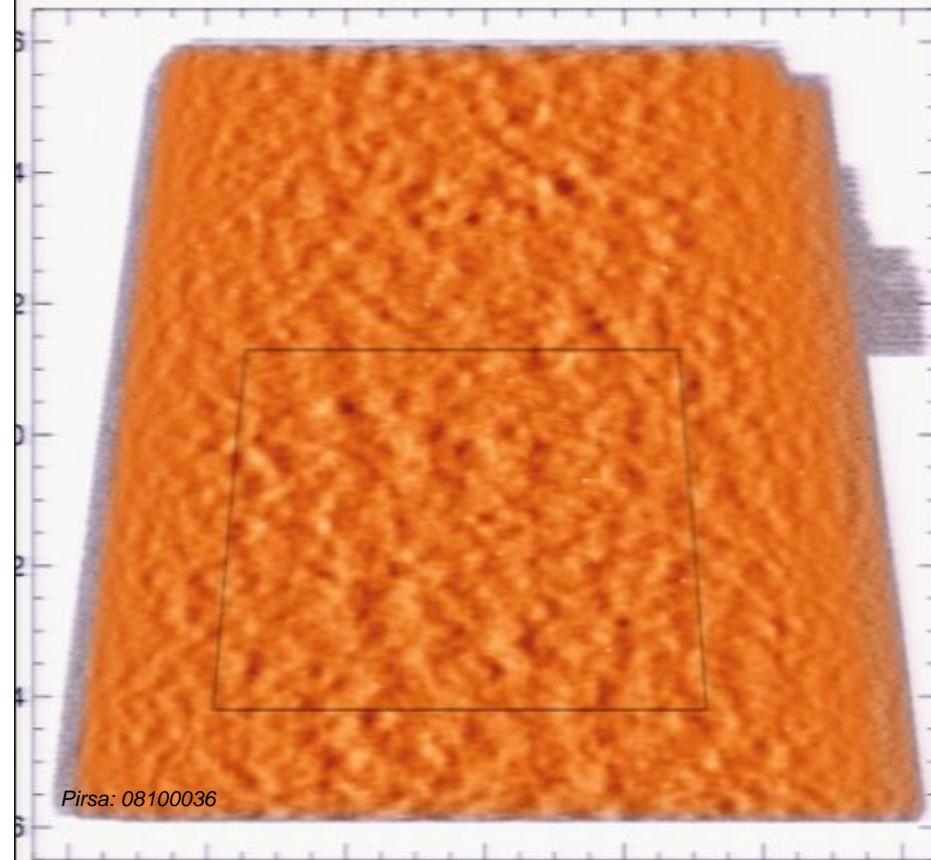


- 1<sup>st</sup> year (mostly engineering)
  - 60 sq. degrees in BCS 5hr
    - 40uK/arcmin pixel
  - 5 sq. degrees inside previous region
    - 15uK/arcmin
- 2<sup>nd</sup> year
  - 100 sq degree 5hr
    - 17 uK/arcmin at 150 GHz
  - 100 sq degree 23hr
    - < 15 uK/arcmin at 150 GHz
  - 11 x deep Targeted clusters images
  - 500 sq degree Wmap calibration scan
    - 20 hrs of observation gives 2% cal

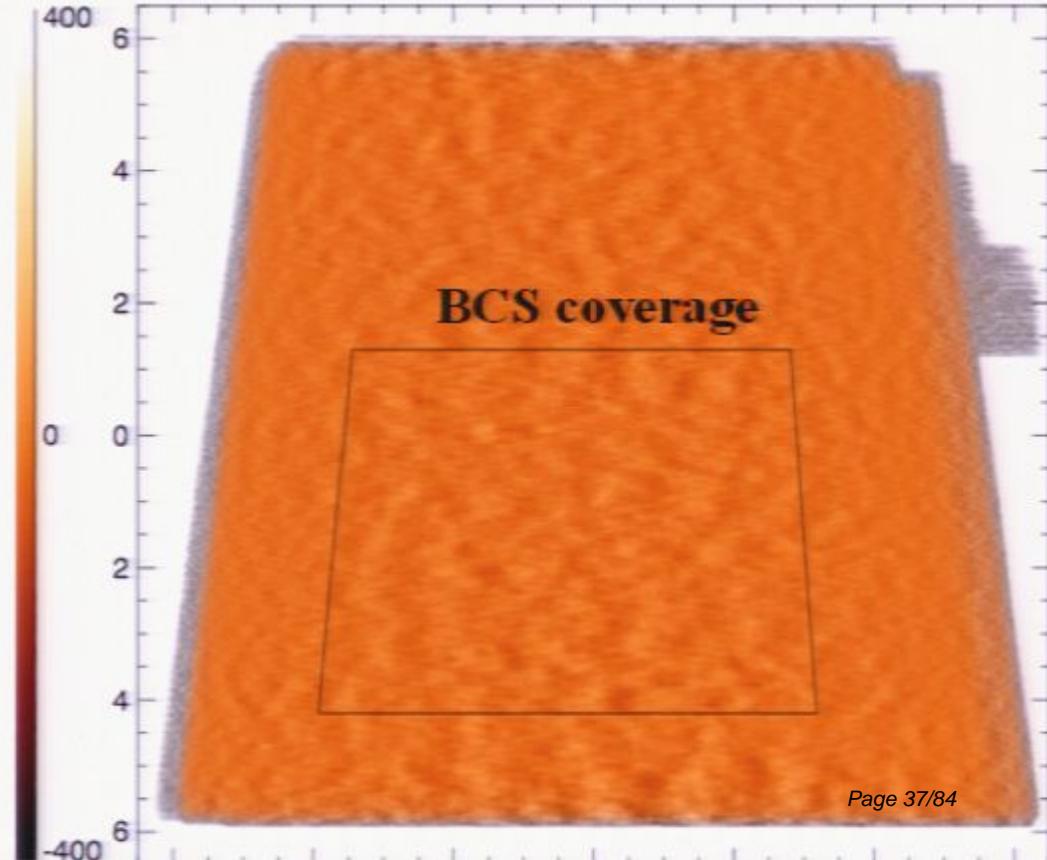
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- Mapped with interleaved azimuth raster scans
- ~800 hours of observation
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**150 GHz L+R map**



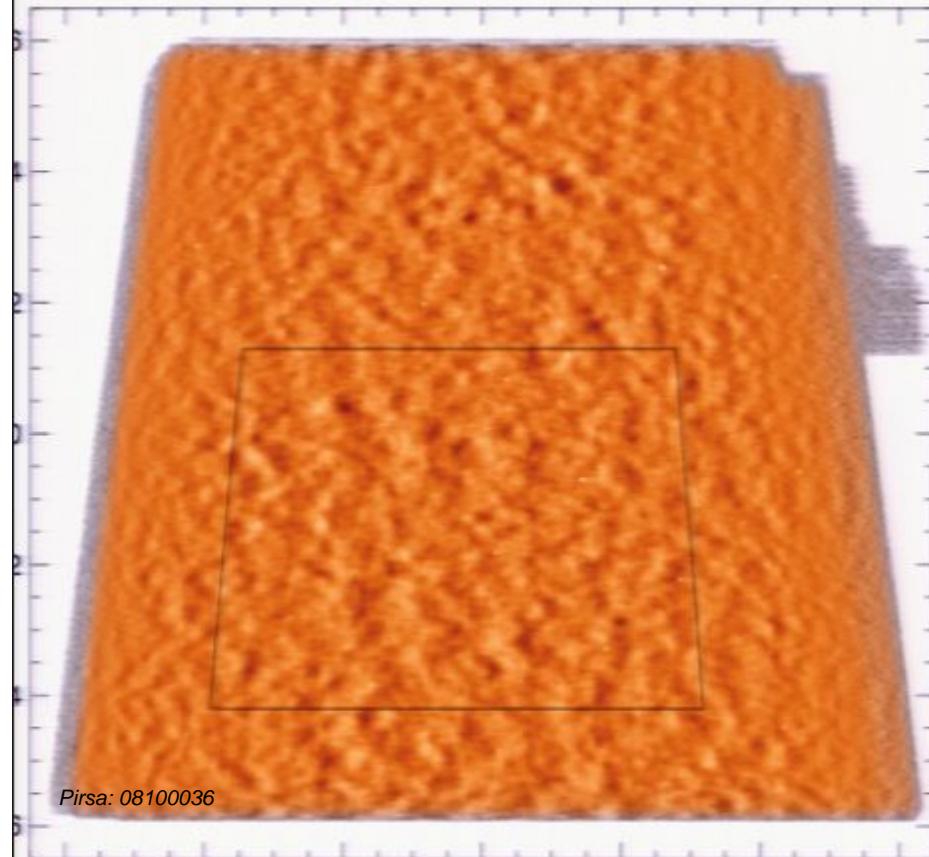
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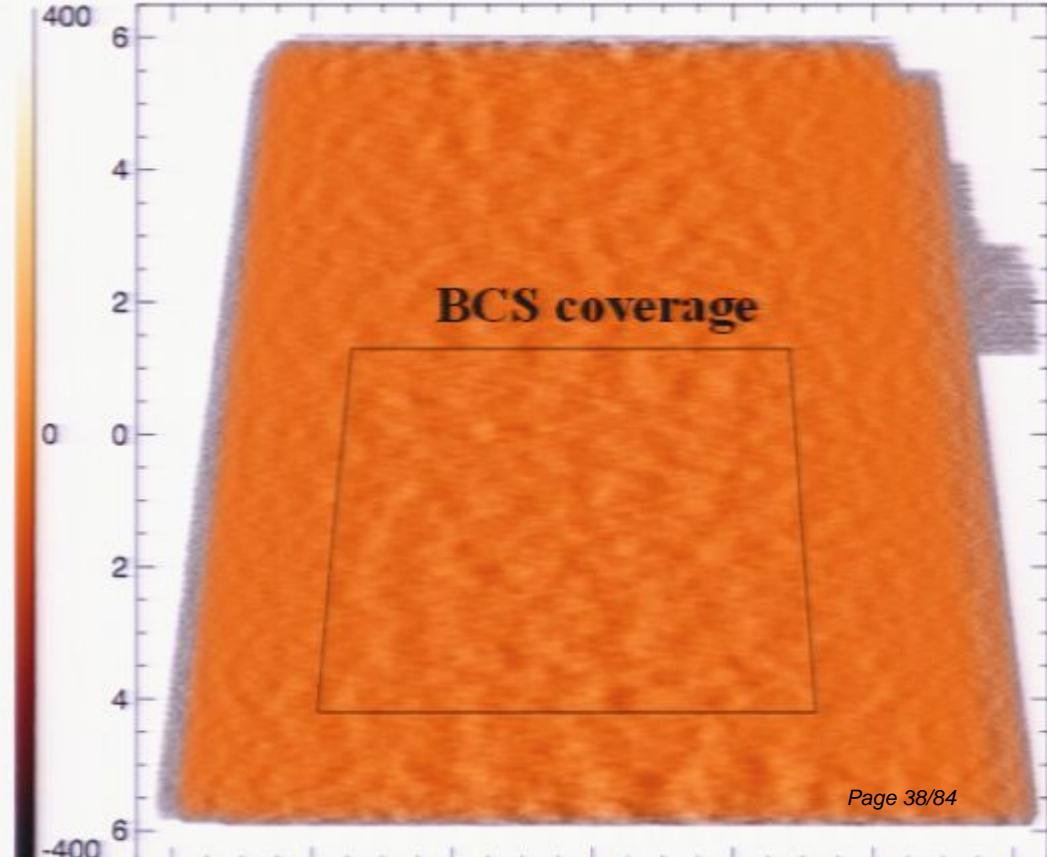
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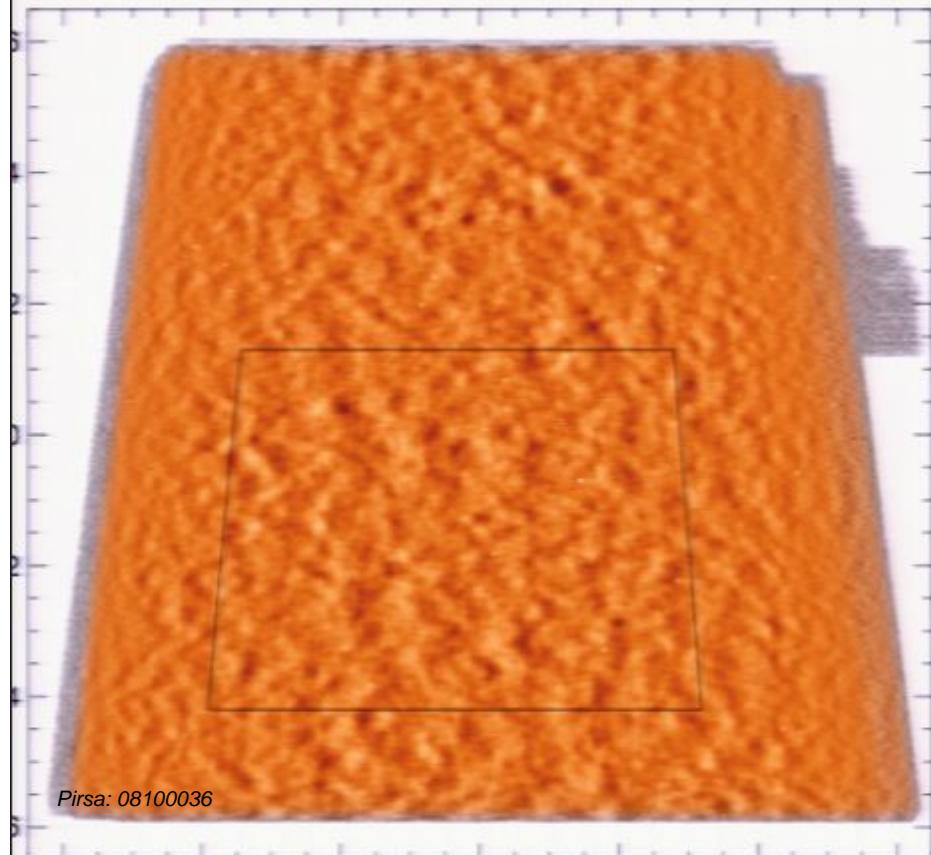
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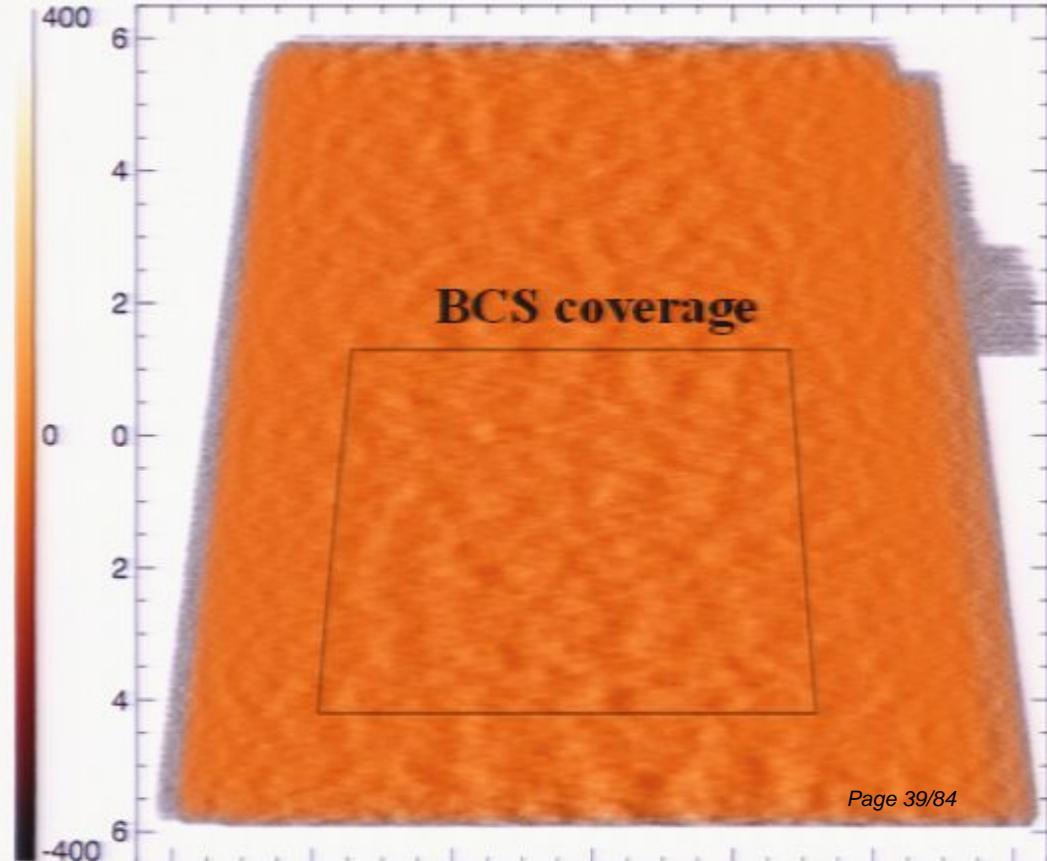
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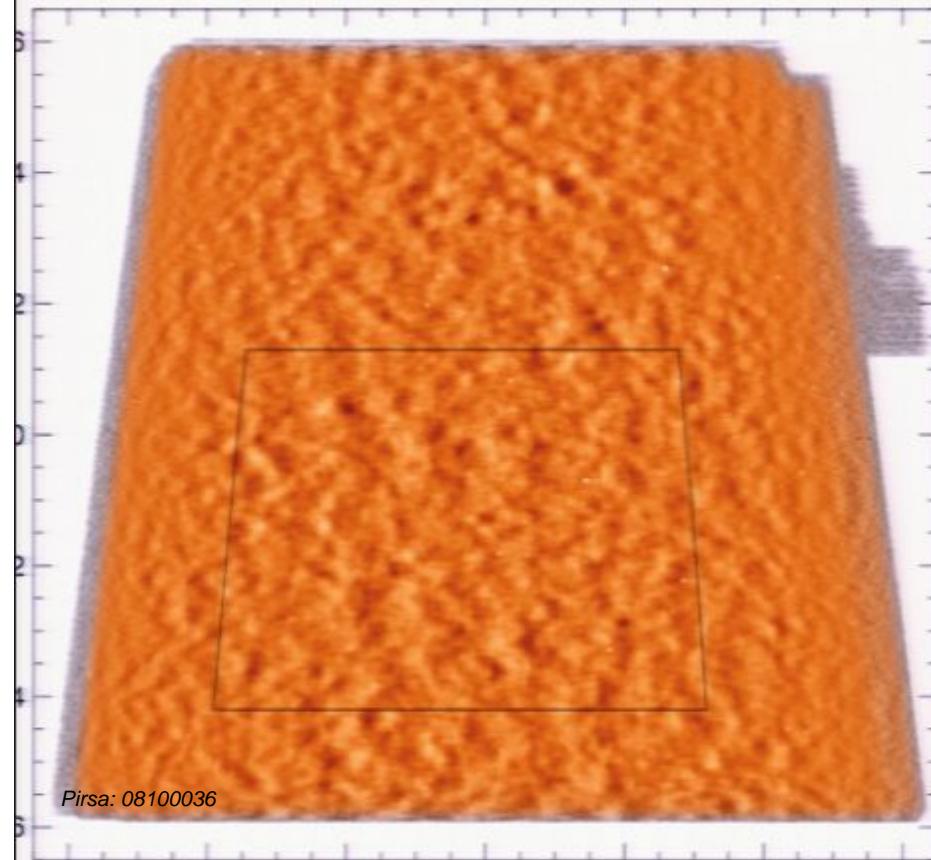
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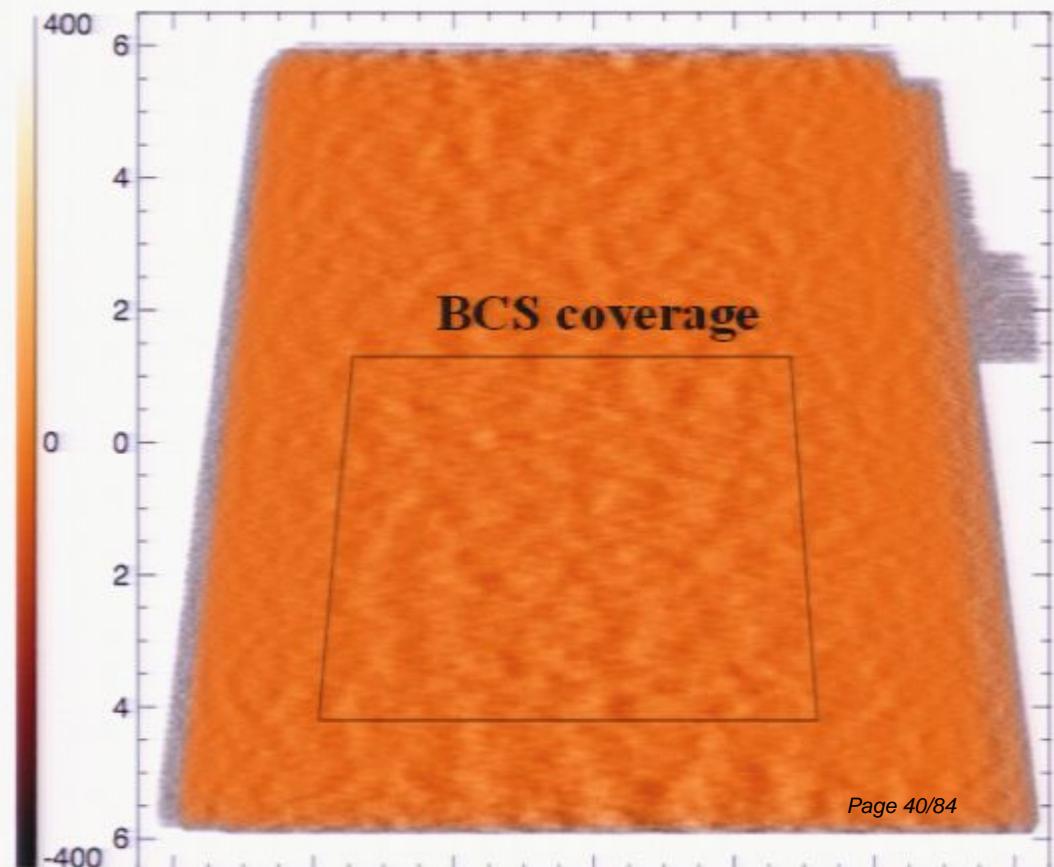
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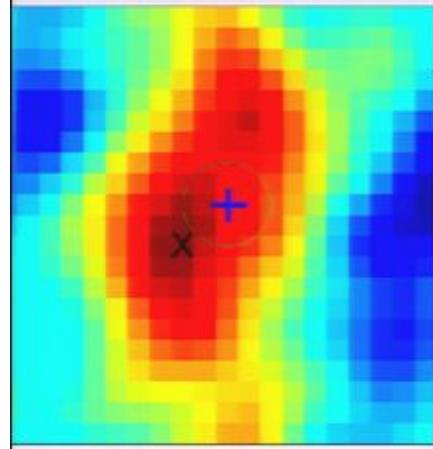
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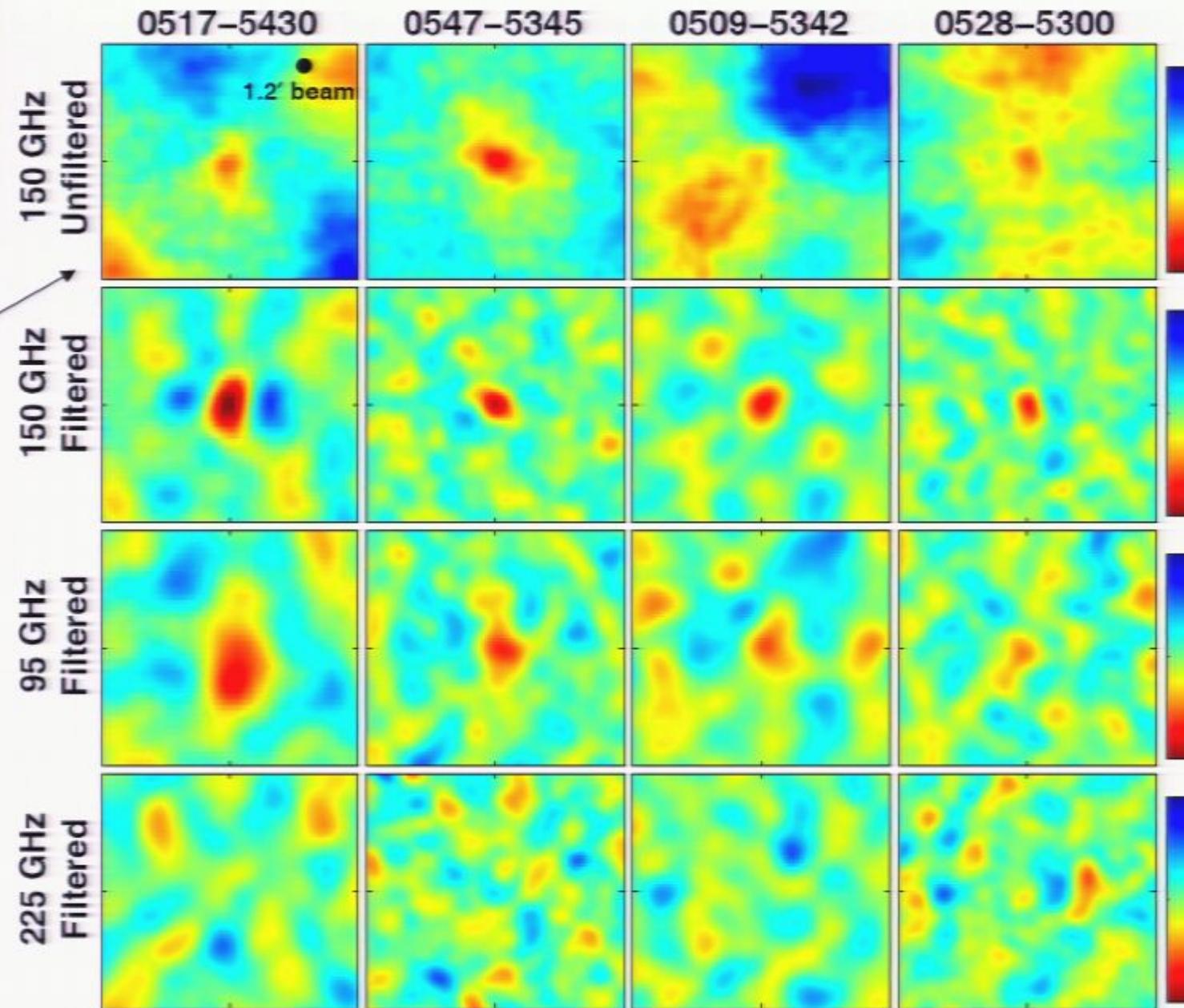
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Four most significant 150 GHz decrements in 40 deg<sup>2</sup> 23 Hr BCS field



EFLEX x-ray cluster  
RXCJ0516.6-5430)



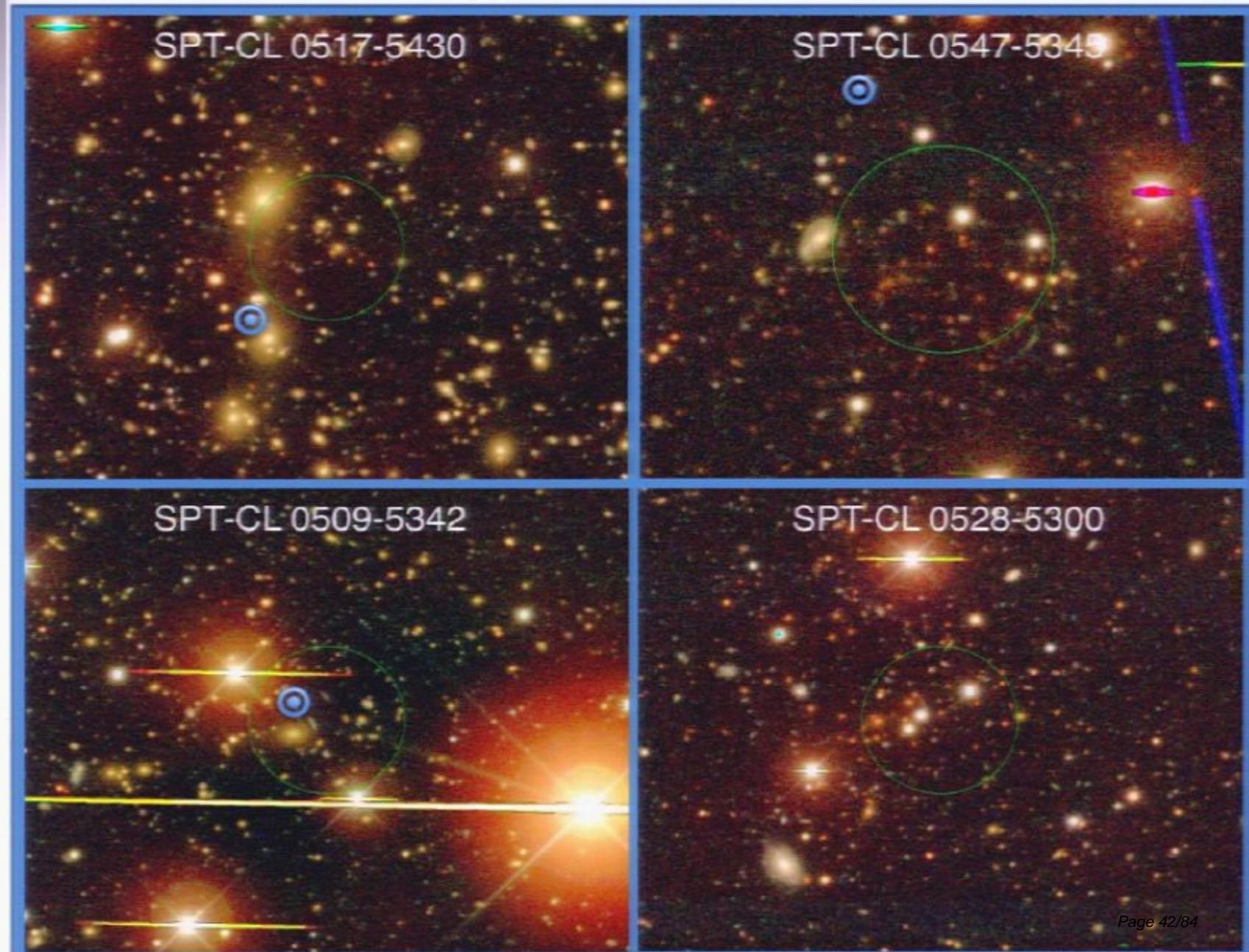
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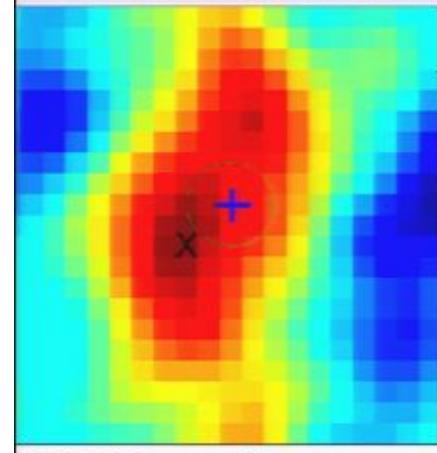
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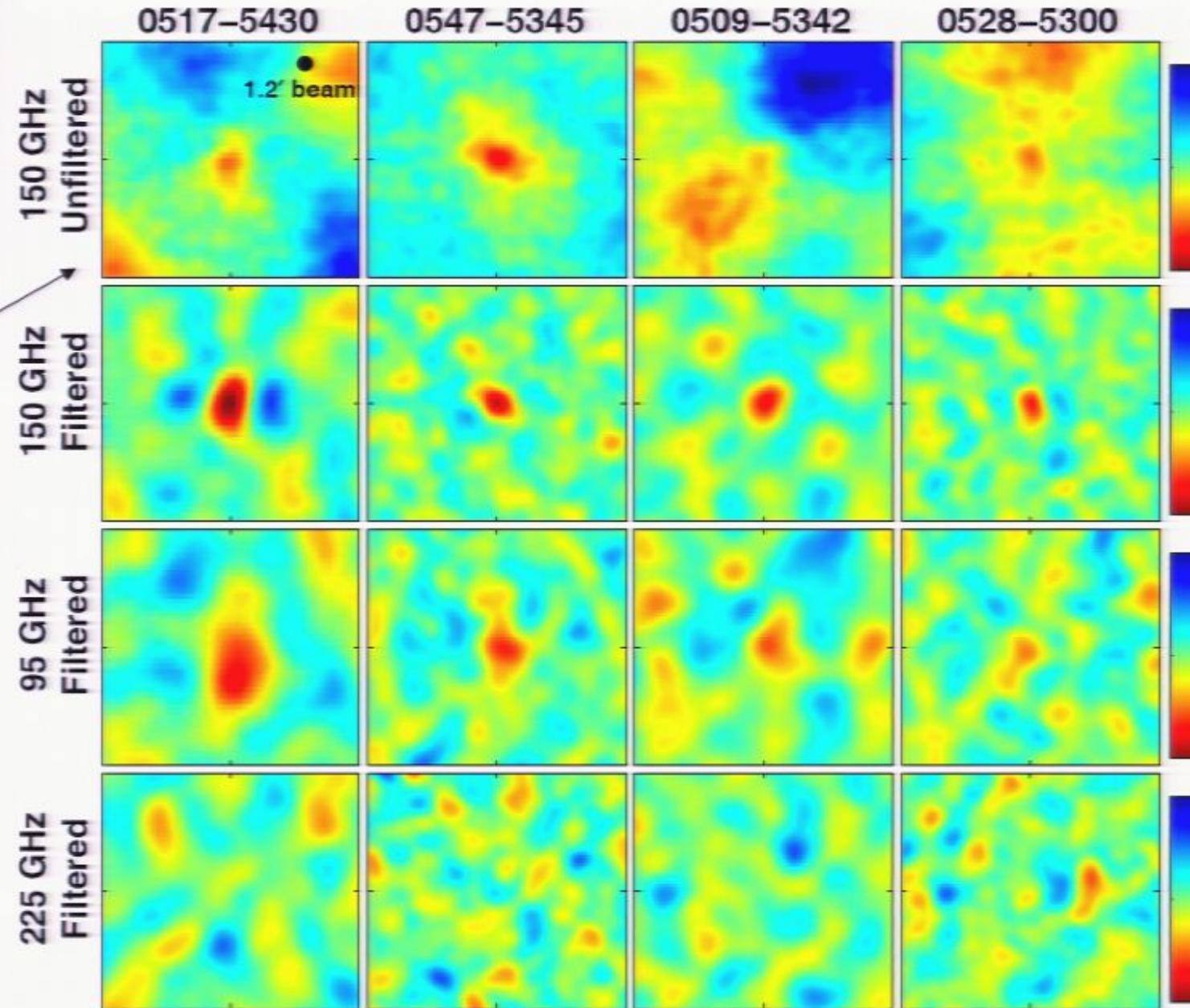


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Hydrogen Intensity Mapping  
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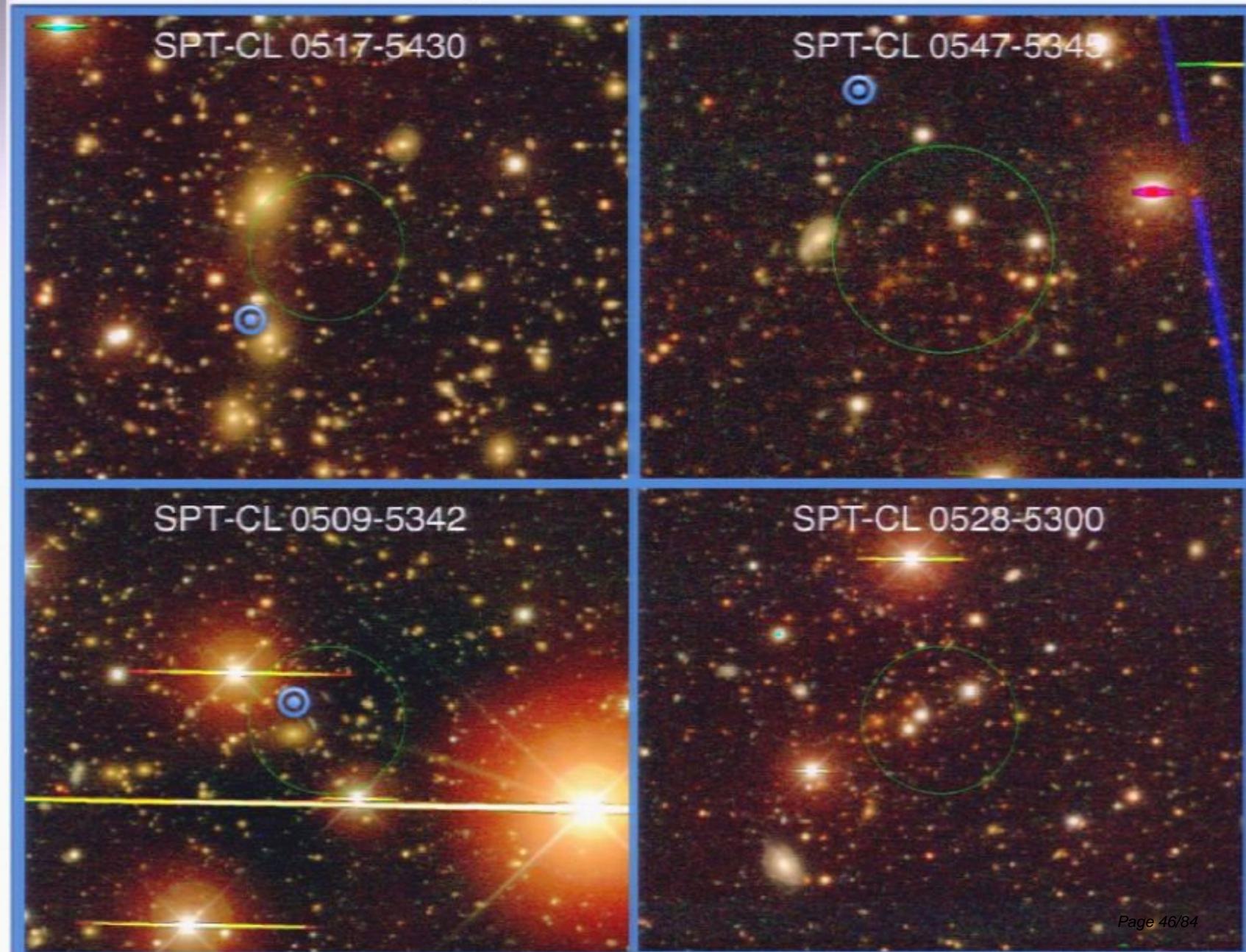


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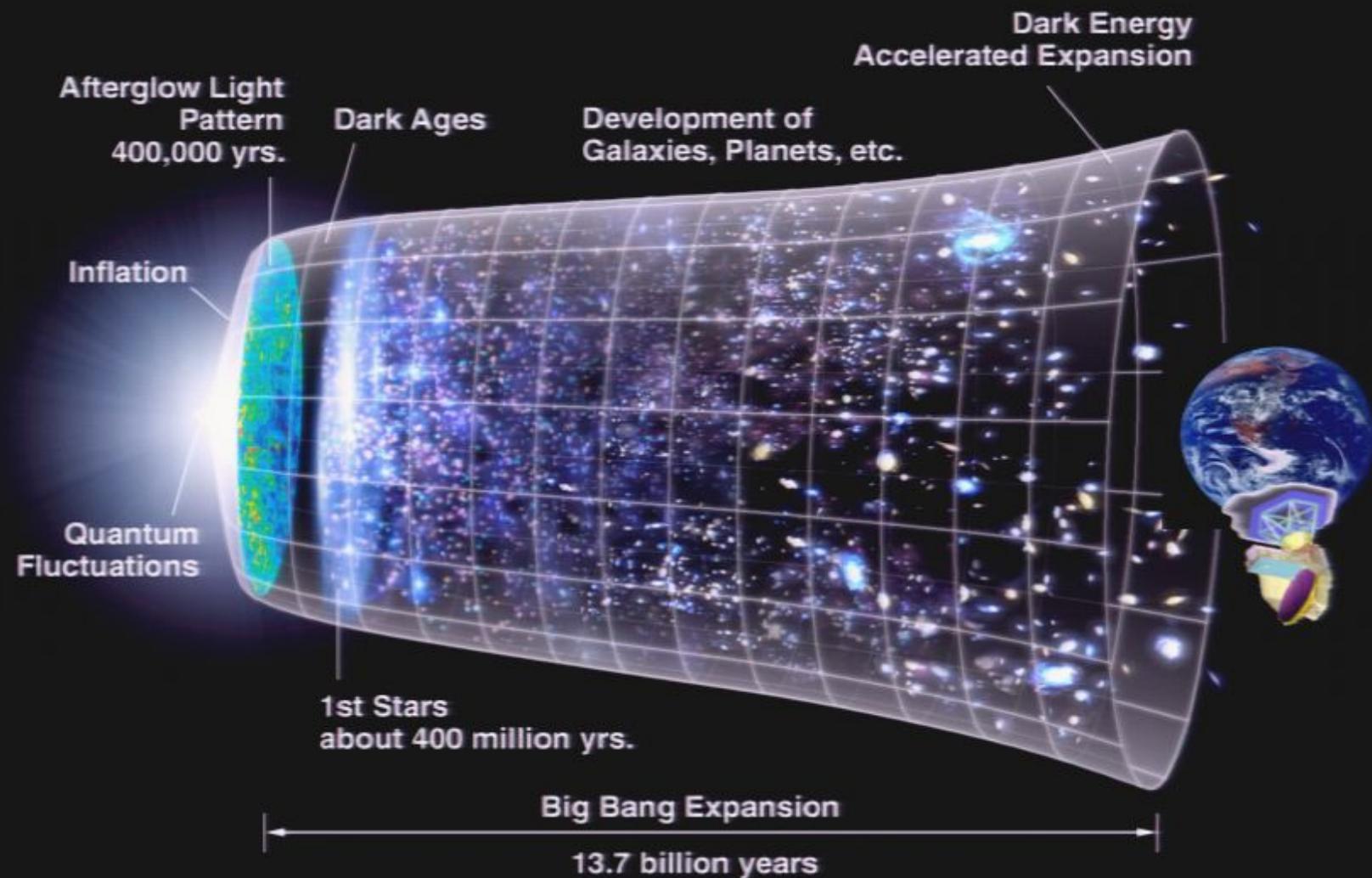
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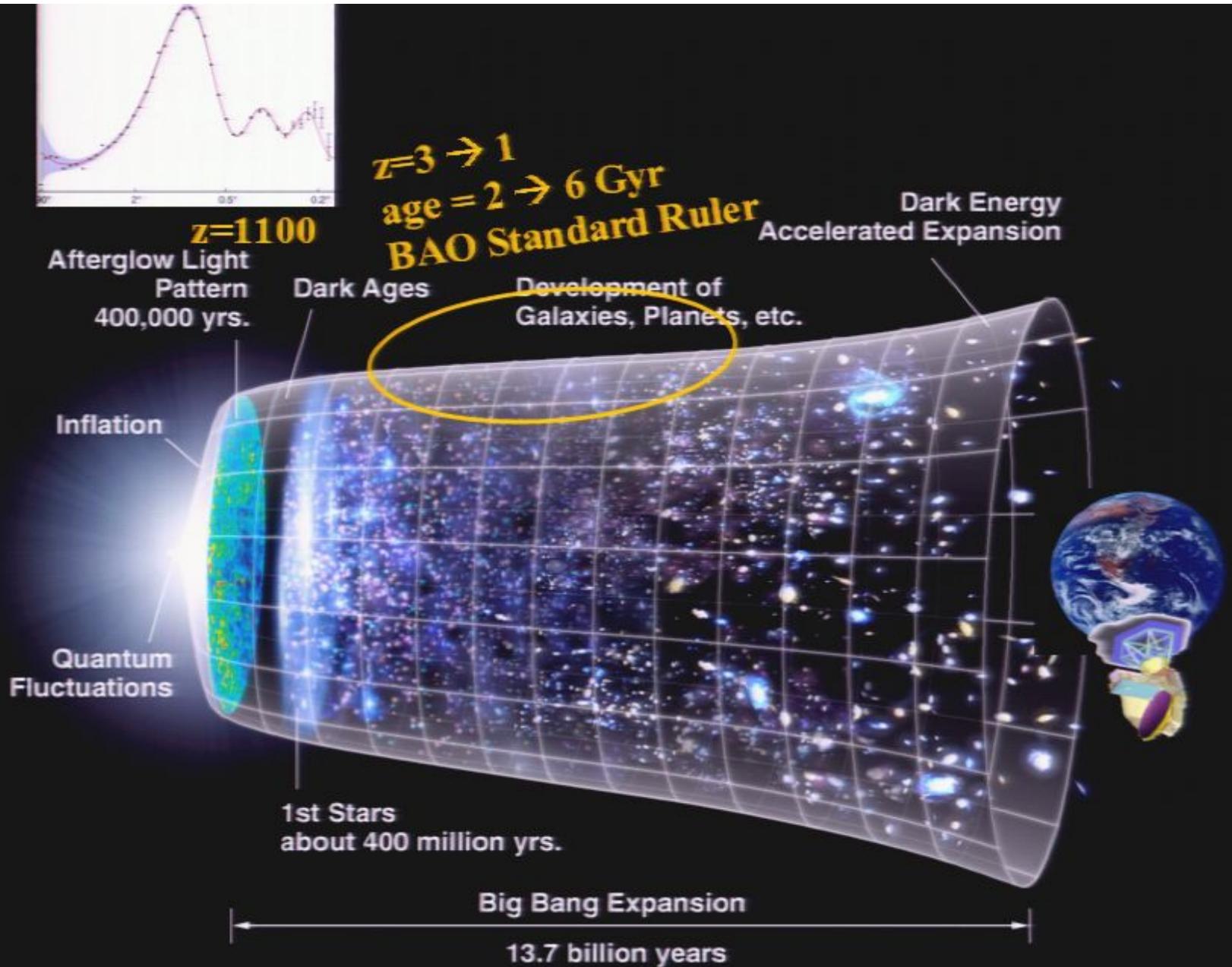




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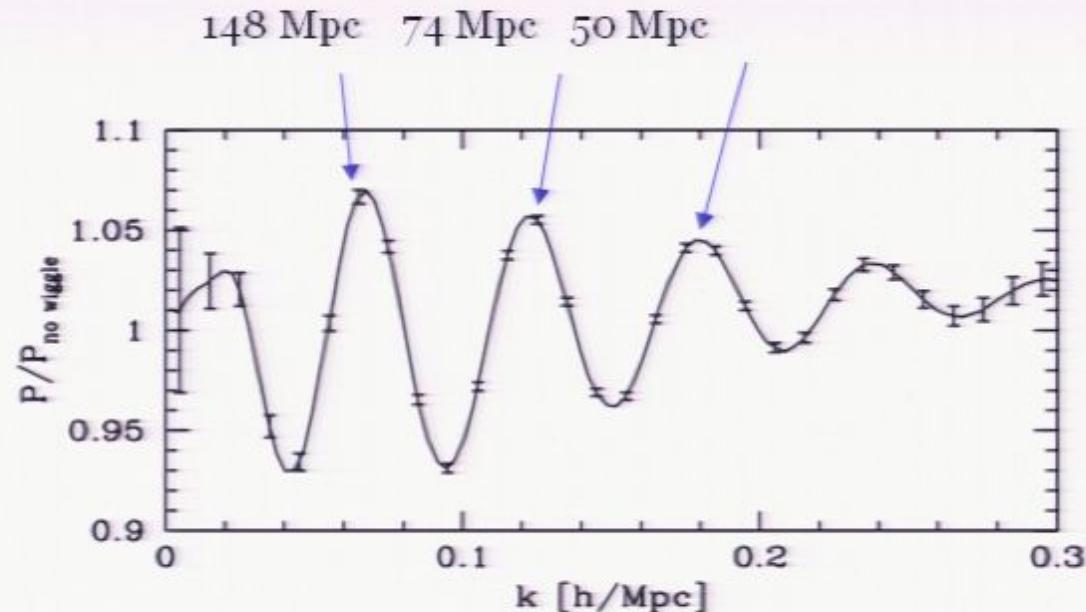
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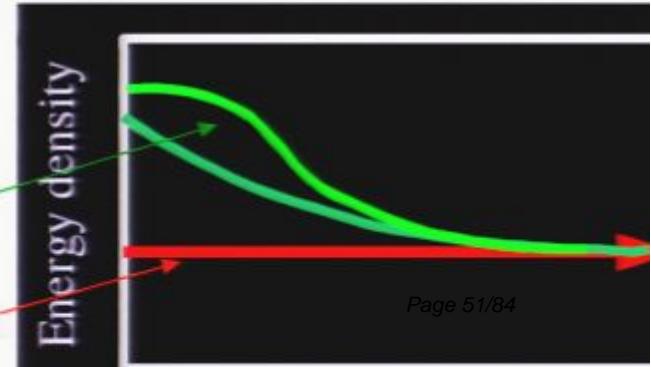


# Cosmic Sound

- BAO  $\rightarrow \sim 100$  Mpc scales.
- $\sim$ Linear Physics

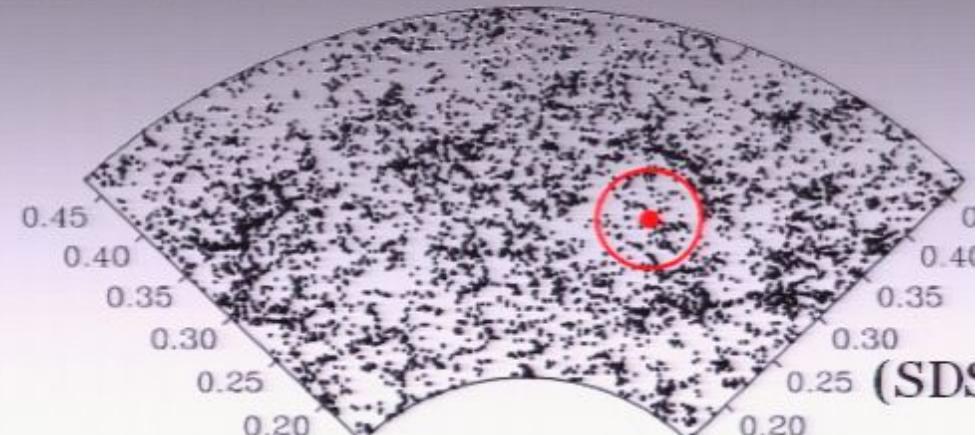


Quintessence  
Cosmological constant

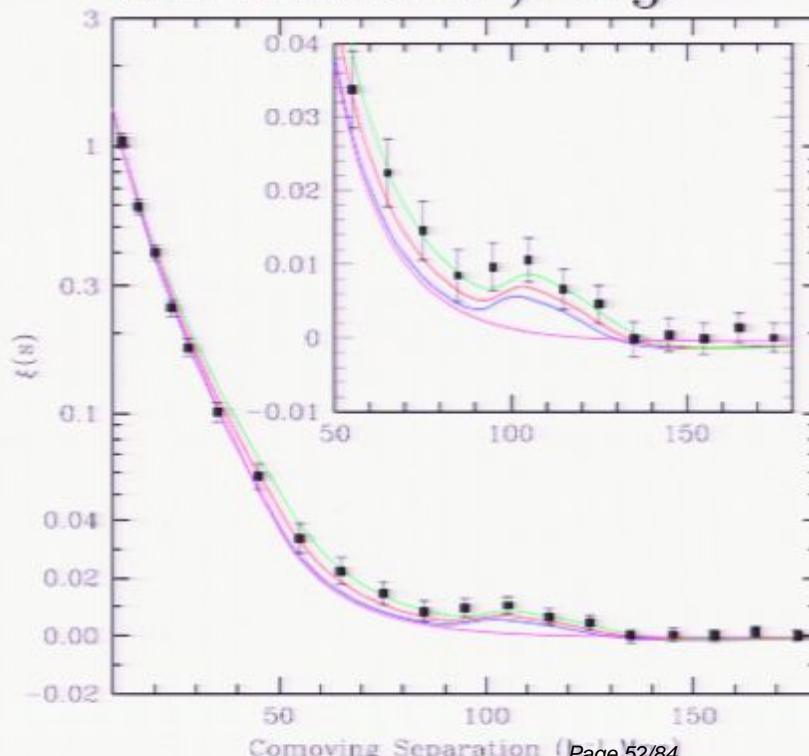


# Galaxies: traditional tracer for BAO

- Nearby ( $z \approx 0.3$ ) BAO signal seen by SDSS & 2df
- ~1% ( $2 \text{ Gpc}^3/\text{h}^3$ ) of the universe has been mapped with optical light from galaxies.
- Galaxy surveys are expensive
- Rely on (non-linear) galaxies as tracers for BAO

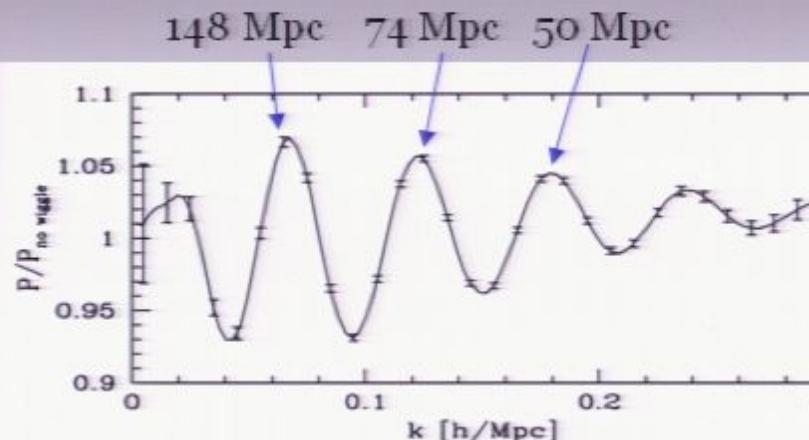


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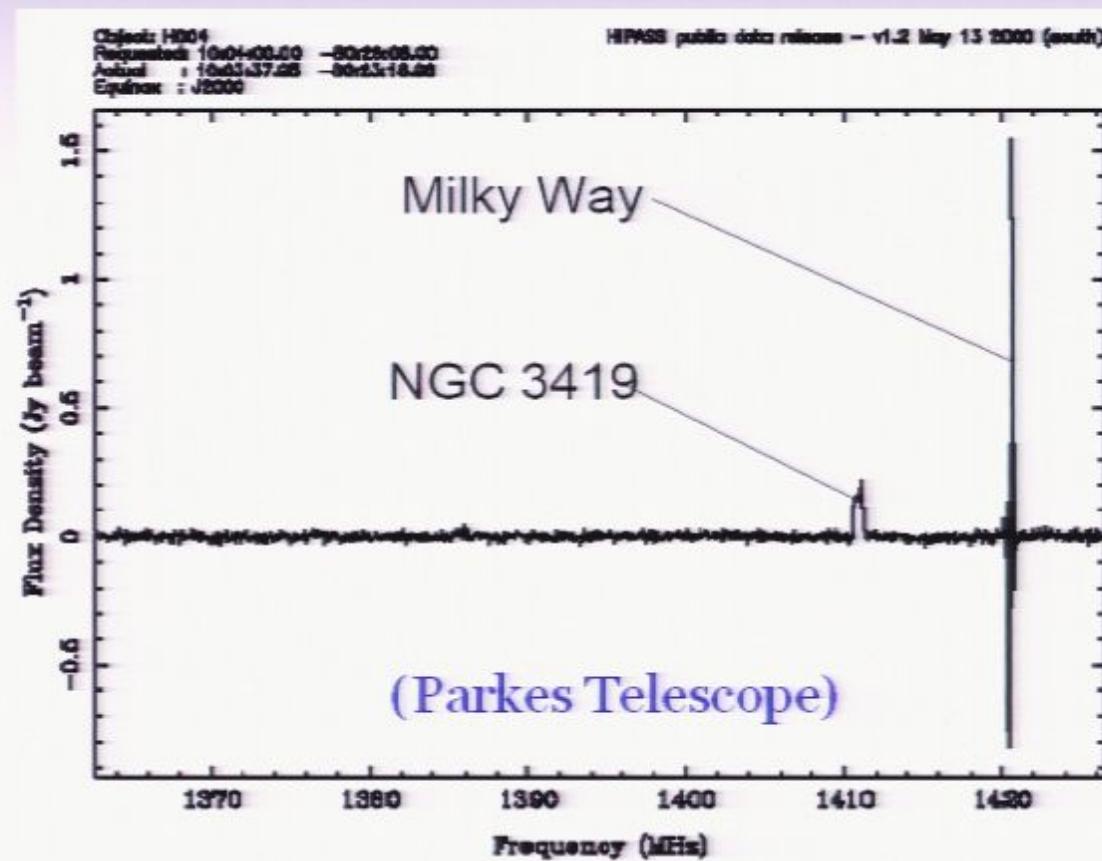
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- No need to see individual galaxies... integrate over large swaths of sky with  $\sim$  degree beams.



- ... but need redshift signature.  
→ 21cm (1420 MHz) Hydrogen Hyperfine Transition
- Traces matter beautifully, and provides redshift (3d mapping)
- ***Hydrogen Intensity Mapping***
  - Measure BAO in angular directions in redshift shells.
  - Measure BAO in radial direction as function of redshift.
  - 10,000 m<sup>2</sup> collection area adequate.

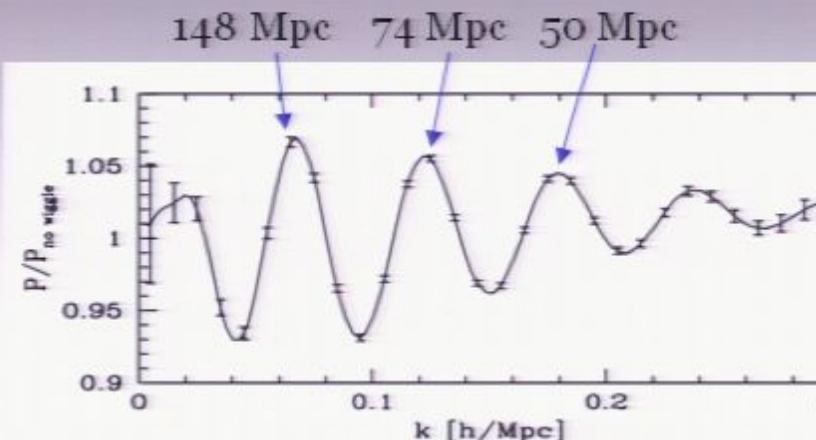
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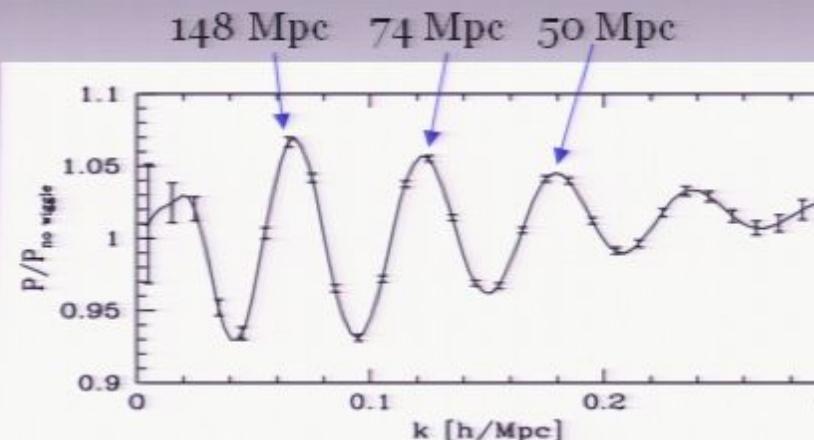
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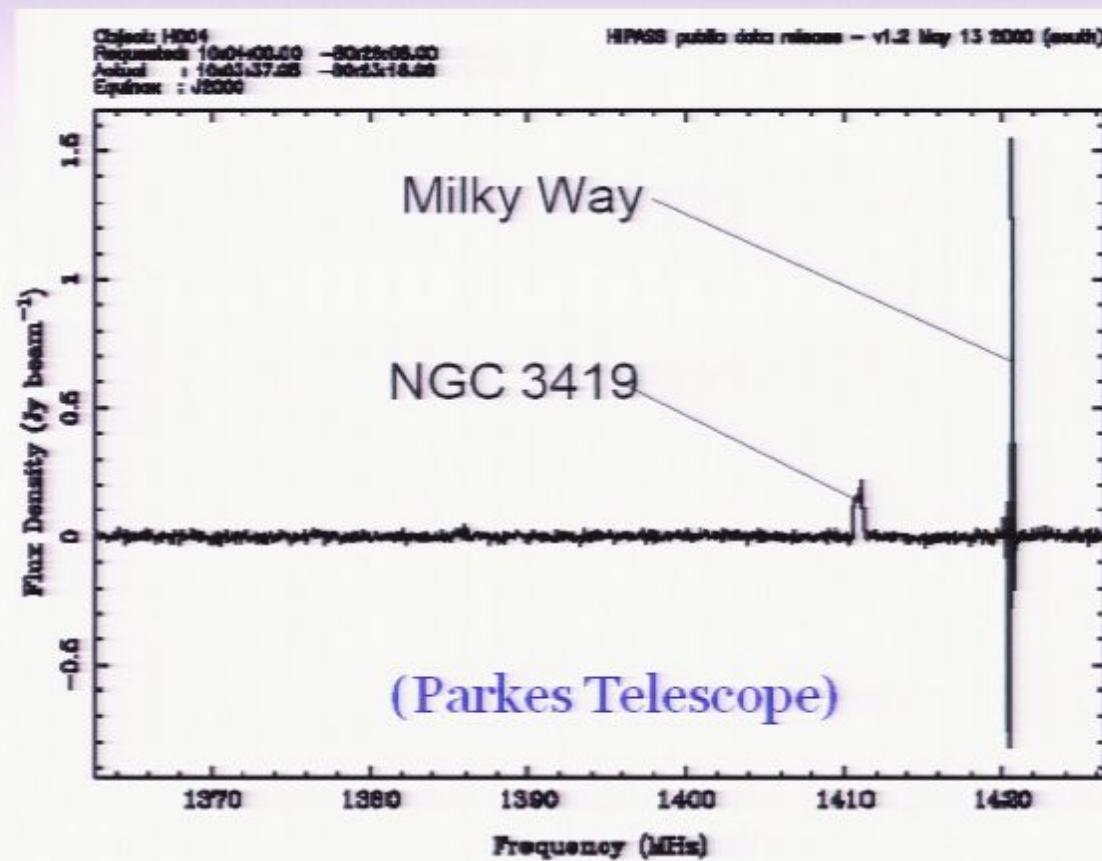
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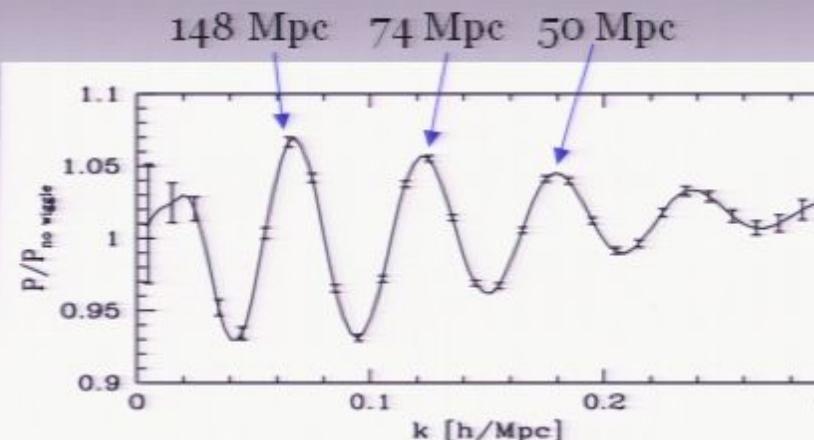
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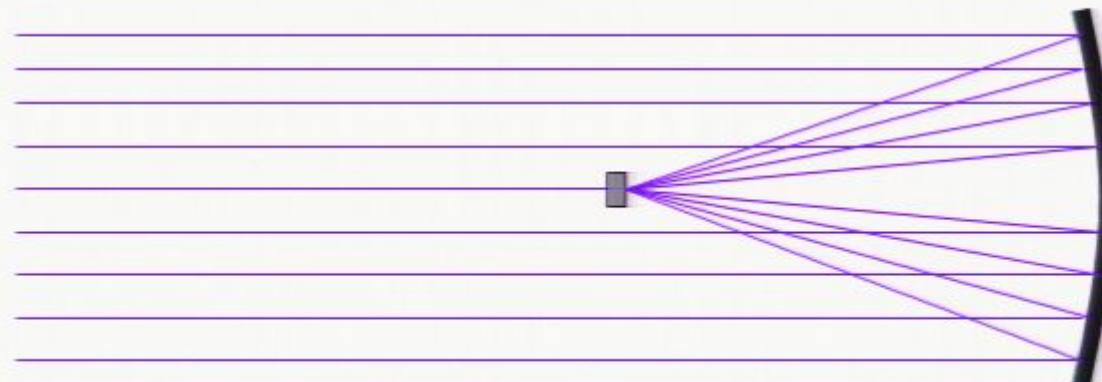
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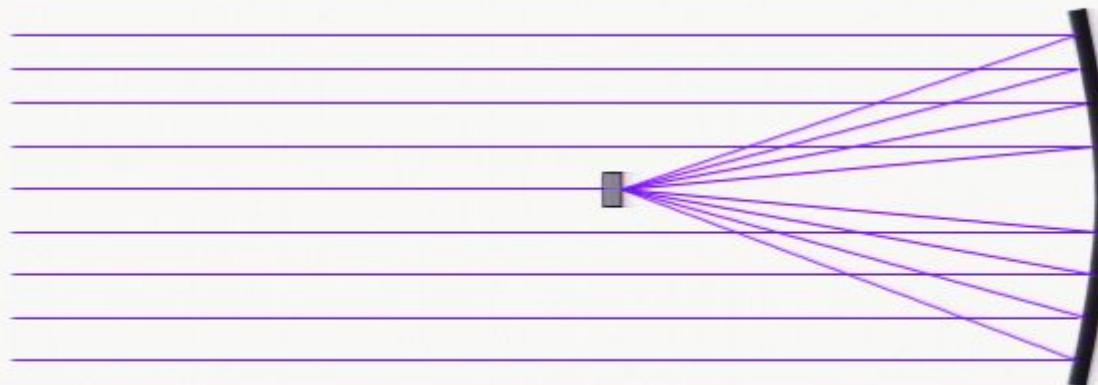
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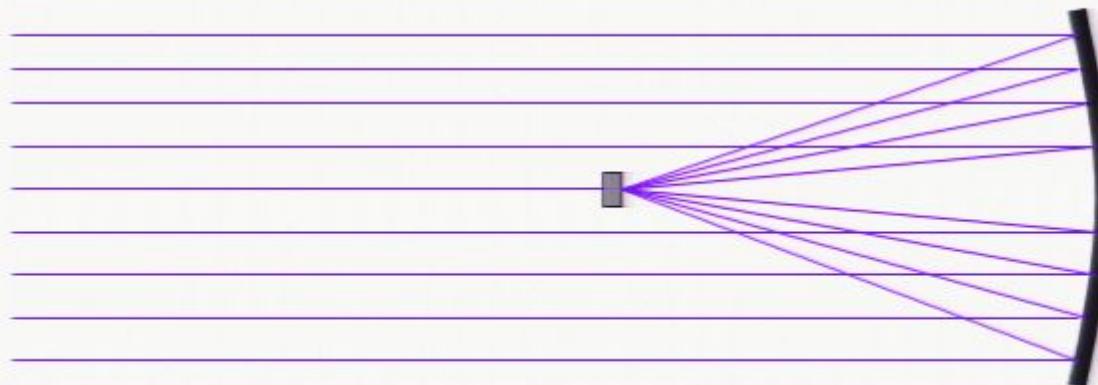
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# FFT Telescope Cartoon

- If receivers were cheap,  
I could pepper them along the reflector, and add their signals  
together with just the right delay- and achieve the same net  
signal and point to the same place on the sky.
- I need to Nyquist sample the wavefront.
- I can apply my delay in analog (i.e. cable lengths), or digitally,  
after conversion.

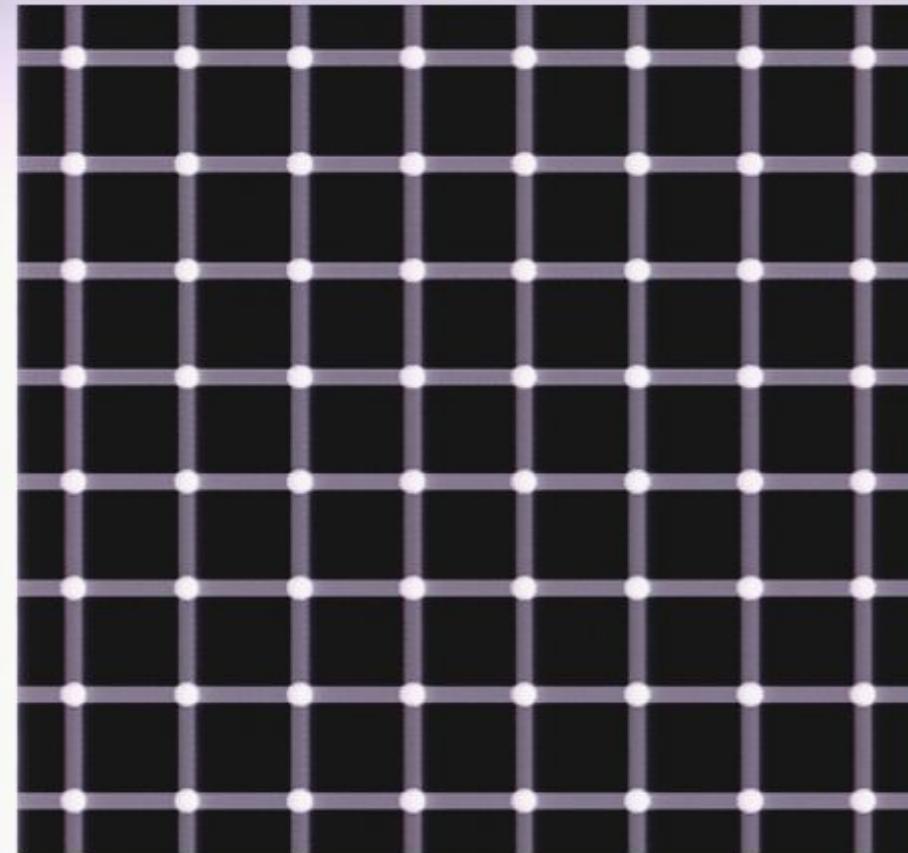


# FFT Telescope Cartoon

- I can also lay them out in a line – applying any delay I like (e.g. the delay configuration that makes this indistinguishable from the reflector).
- If I apply my delays digitally – I can apply more than one delay configuration – and look at more than one point on the sky.
- A Fourier transform of the receiver time streams, provides an image of the sky.
- If I use uniform spacing – and Nyquist sample the waveform, I can look at all points on the sky simultaneously using an FFT.



# FFT Telescope



- Nyquist sample
- Equal spacing
- All sky
- Summing
- Beamsize

# Cylindrical Telescopes

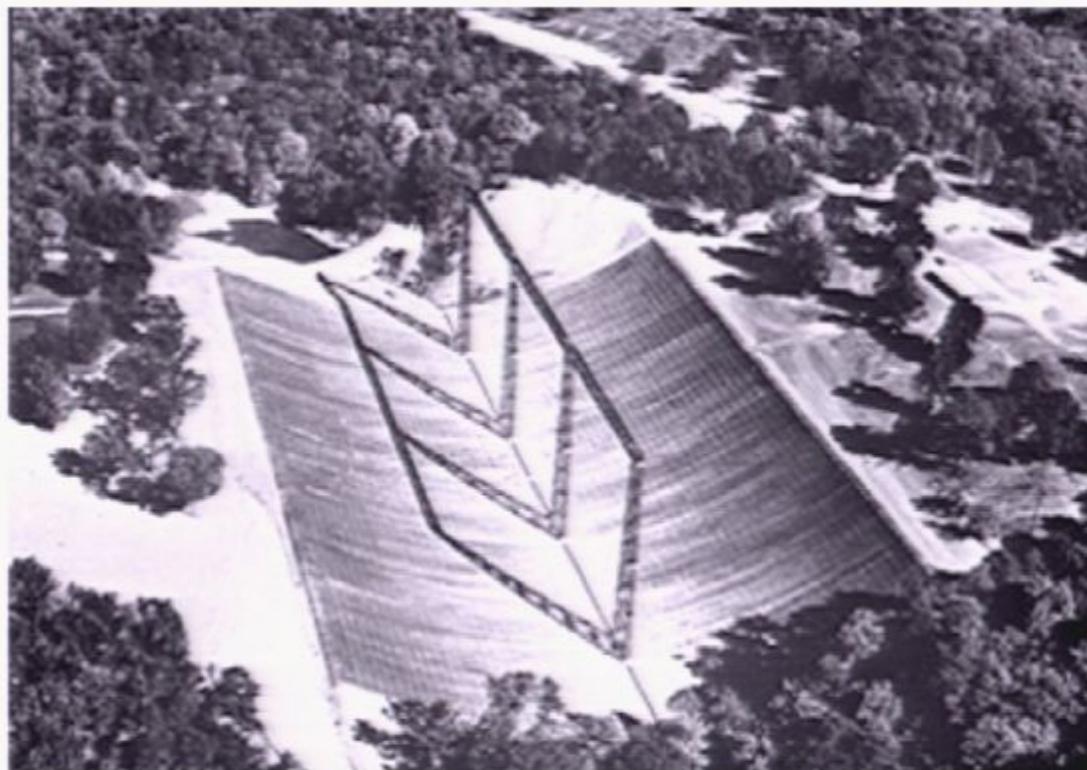
- FFT telescope in N-S direction
  - Possibility of full-sky FoV.
- Traditional reflector in E-W direction
  - $\lambda/D = 60\text{cm}/20\text{m} = 1.7$  degree FoV
  - Allow sky to drift over-head.



(Carnegie Mellon Prototype Cylinder)

# Cylinder History

- Popular 1960-1980
- Lost favor with advent of cryogenically cooled pre-amplifiers.
- Room temp amplifiers with 20K noise temp now available.



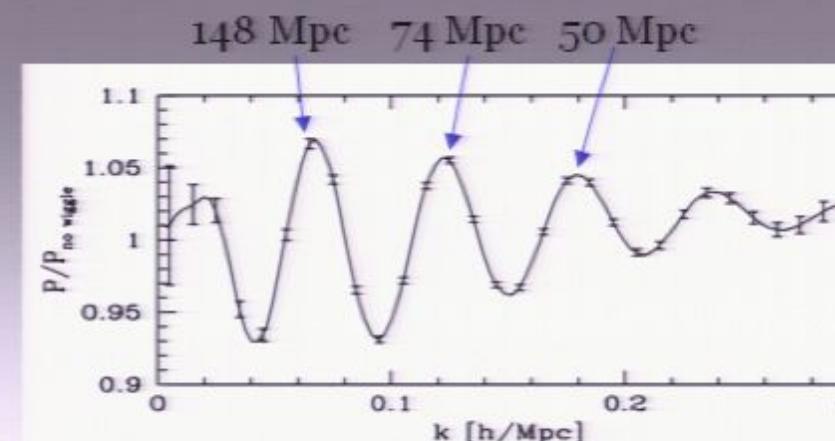
Illinois 400 ft  
Telescope  
ca. 1960

# CHIME

- Array of five 20x100m cylinders → 10,000 m<sup>2</sup> area.
- Oriented North-South
  - Survey sky as it sky drifts overhead without any moving parts or the associated maintenance.
- Instrumented every 25 cm with dual polarization broadband antennae
- (driven by communications industry) Modern low noise amplifiers achieve ~20K noise.
  - Room temperature → no cryogenics

# CHIME

## Map 100 Gpc<sup>3</sup>/h<sup>3</sup>



### CHIME Experiment Parameters

Observing Frequency	800 to 400 MHz
Observing Wavelength	38 to 76 cm
Redshift	$z \approx 0.8$ to 2.5
System Noise Temperature	$\leq 50\text{K}$
Beam size	$0.26^\circ$ to $0.53^\circ$
Field of View, N-S	$52^\circ$ to $105^\circ$
Field of View, E-W	$1.3^\circ$ to $2.5^\circ$
Cylinder Size	100m $\times$ 20m
Number of Cylinders	5
Collecting Area	10,000 m <sup>2</sup>
Antenna Spacing	26 cm
Number of Antennae per Cylinder	390
Number of Dual-Polarization Antennae	1950
Number of Antennae Summed before Digitization	2
Number of Digitizers	1950
Bandwidth of Channeled outputs	1 MHz

age = 7  $\rightarrow$  2.6 Gyr

10  $\rightarrow$  45 Mpc resolution

bandwidth  $\sim$  2  $\rightarrow$  4 MHz

# CHIME Core Collaboration

UBC

- Mark Halpern
- Kris Sigurdson
- Siegfried Stiemer

McGill U

- Matt Dobbs
- David Hanna

U Toronto / CITA

- Dick Bond
- Ue-li Pen

HIA, DRAO

- Tom Landecker

Carnegie Mellon U

- Jeff Peterson

# Dominion Radio Astrophysical Observatory

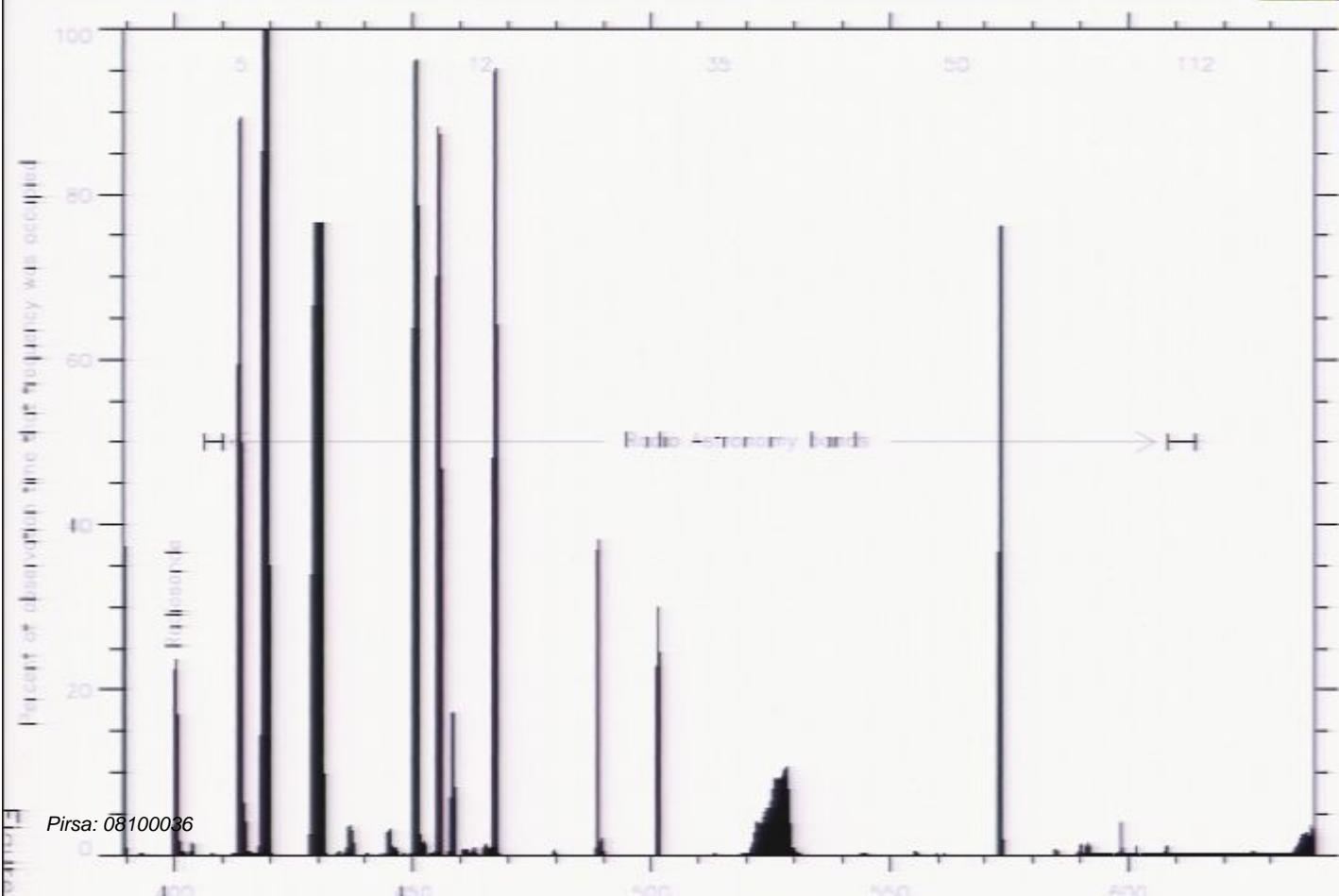
- Near Penticton, BC
- RF quiet zone, protected by federal law.
- Shielded from locally generated RF by surrounding mountains.



# Earth-bound Interference at DRAO



John Galt, 2002

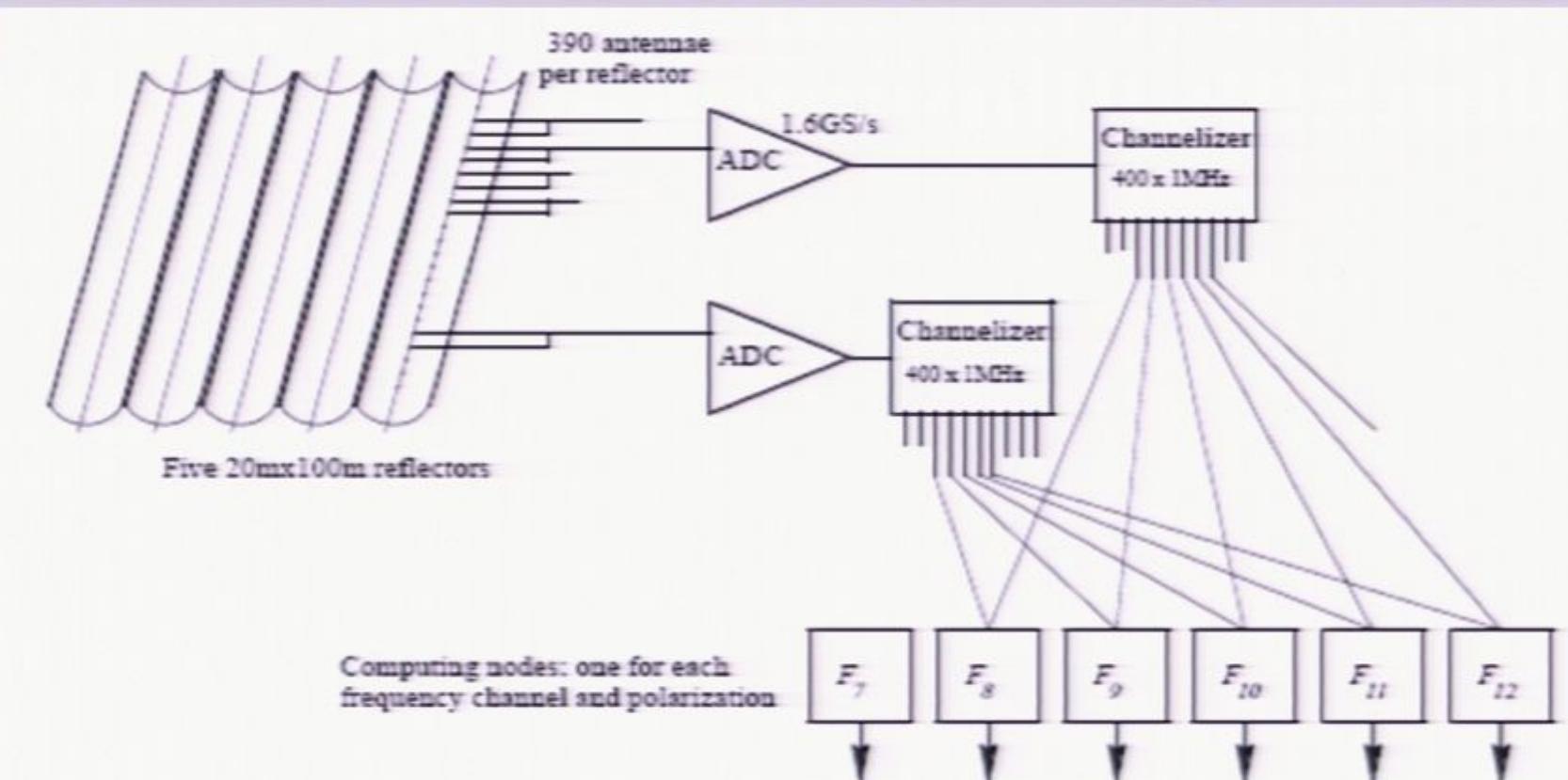


# Cylinder Prototype & CHIME Testbed

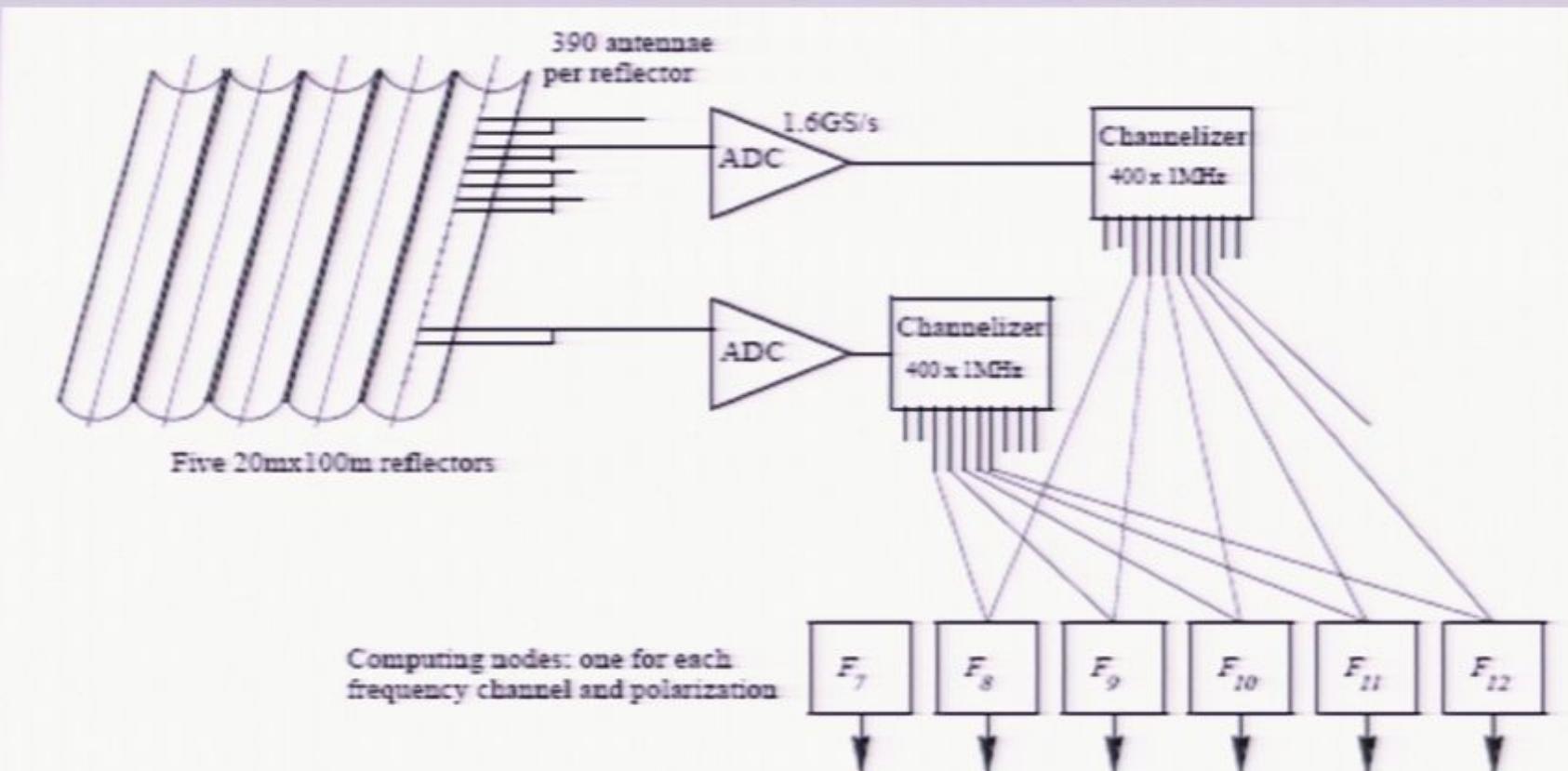
- Three 10 x 30m cylinders at Carnegie Mellon
- Led by: Jeff Peterson / Ue-Li Pen / Kris Sigurdson



# CHIME Dataflow

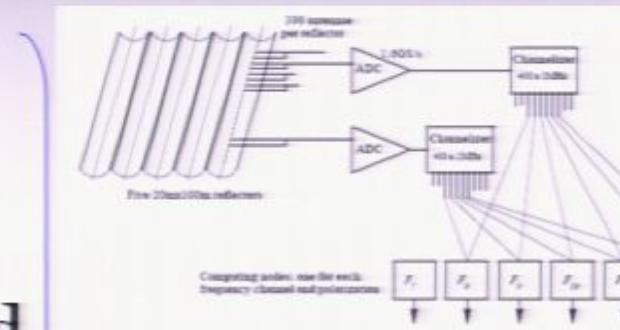


# CHIME Dataflow



# Channelization, Correlation

- Stage 1: (near antenna), firmware based FFT divides waveform up into 400 bands, each 1 MHz wide (from 400-800 MHz).
  - Each band corresponds to a redshift shell.
- Stage 2: PC or GPU-based FFT correlates signals separately for each frequency band along the cylinder N-S direction.
  - “embarrassingly parallel”
  - Uniform antenna spacing → Efficient  $N \log(N)$  operation.
- Stage 3: PC or GPU-based processors correlate signals between cylinders
  - Low pass filter data from each sky pixel to slow (several Hz) data rate and write to disk.



Tremendous real-time data rate!  
1.6 Terasamples/sec.

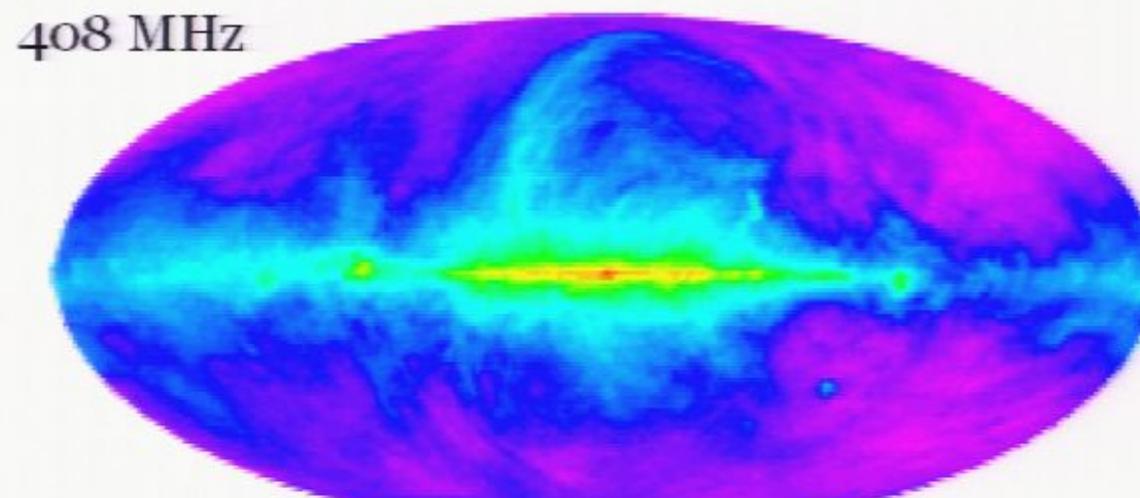
Tiny data rate to disk.  
~4 GB/day

# Hardware Challenges

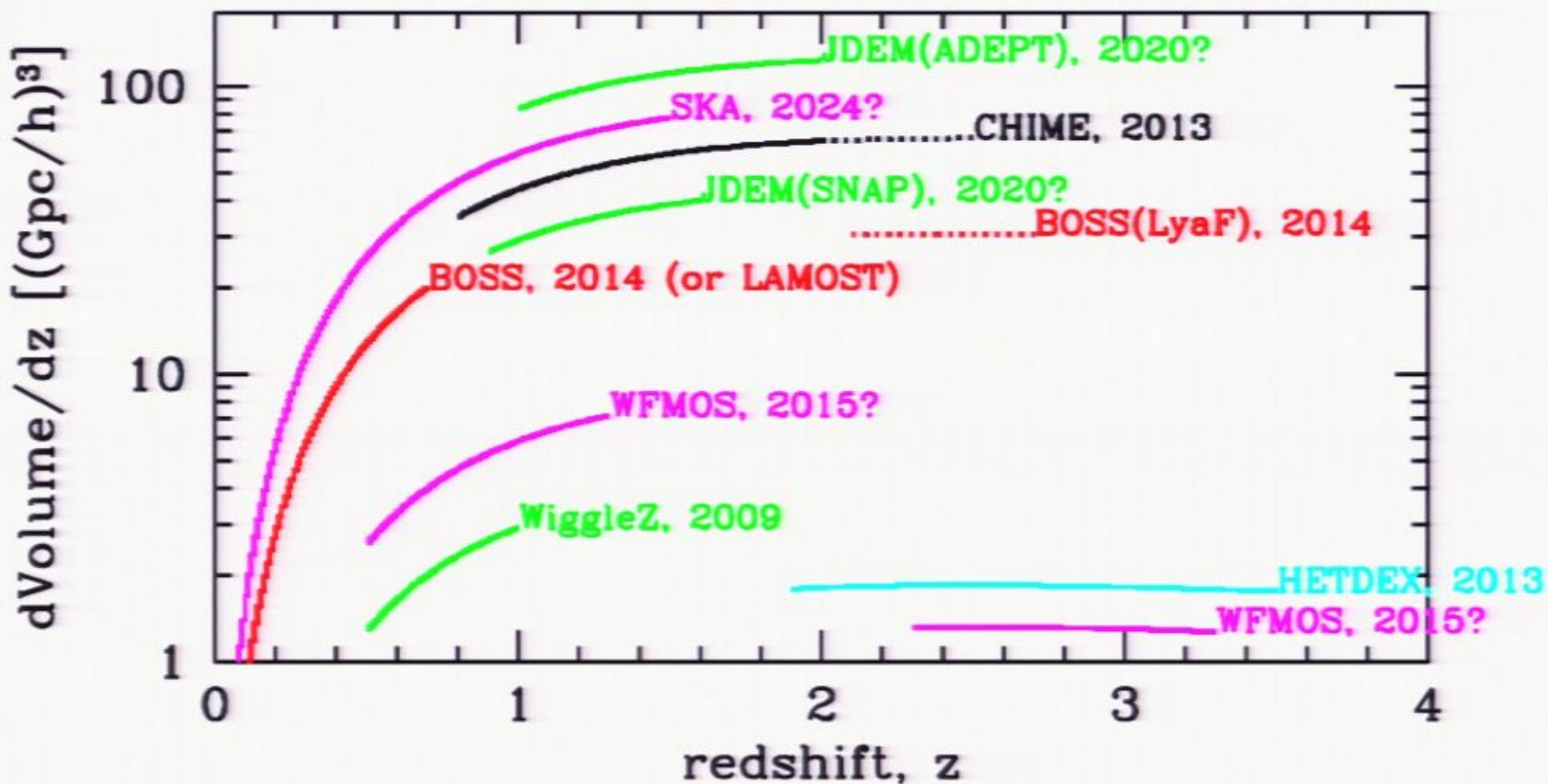
- Mass-produce broadband Antenna/LNA
- Digitize and channelize antenna waveforms
- Transport data from Stage 1→2.
  - Data throughput 1.6 Terasamples per second
  - → Need (really) fast network.

# Foregrounds

- Broad-band extragalactic emission from point sources
- Galactic emission (primarily synchrotron)
  - Emission is smooth in frequency space → remove lion's share with simple high-pass filter.
  - Global Magneto-Ionic Medium Survey (GIMIMS).



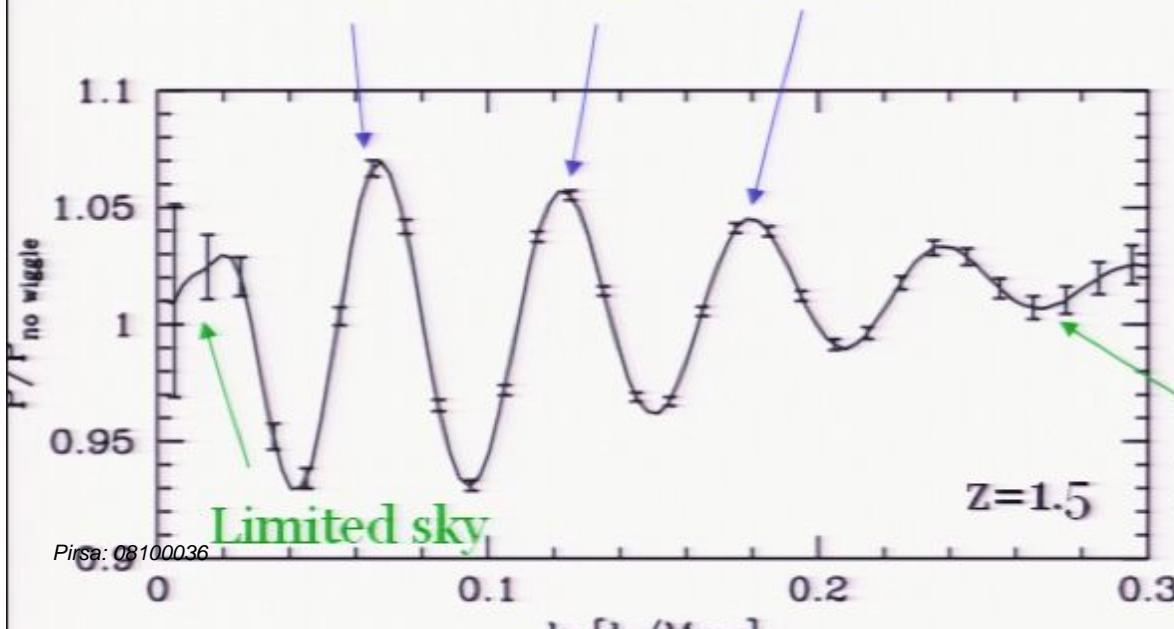
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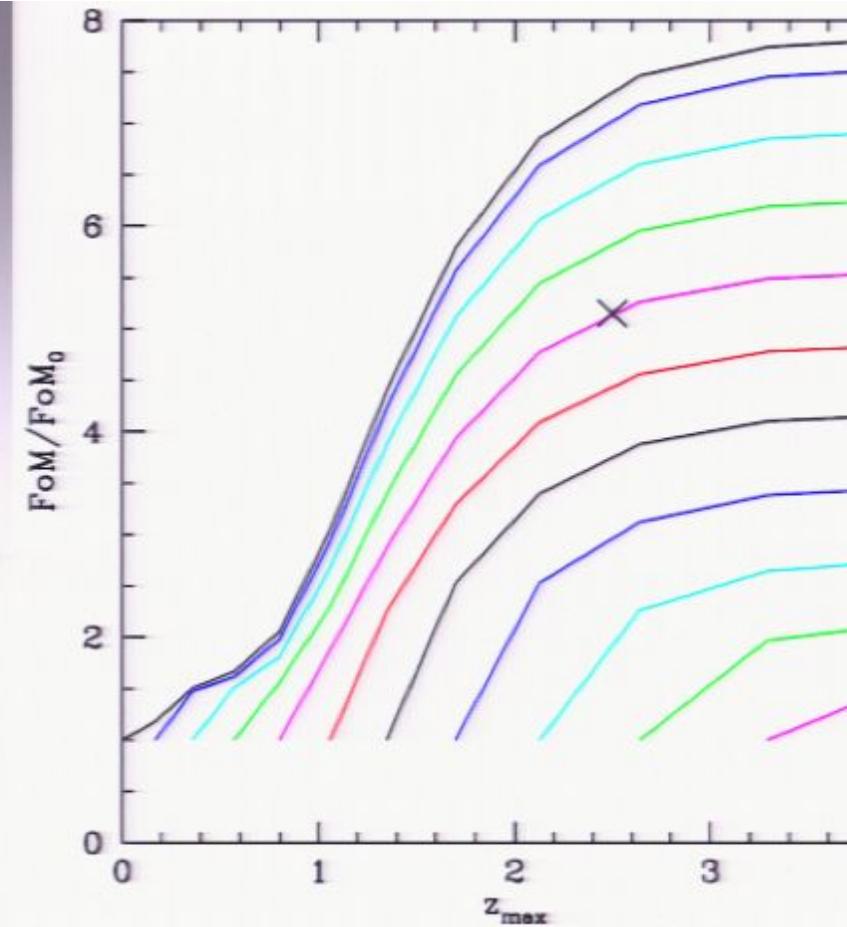
# CHIME

- Map  $100 \text{ Gpc}^3/\text{h}^3$
- 2 years of observations
- Improve uncertainty on DE parameters ( $w, w'$ ) by a factor of 5 (“Figure of Merit”)

148 Mpc 74 Mpc 50 Mpc



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# CHIME Ancillary Science

- *Chime will map the polarization and intensity of 40% of the sky with great sensitivity in a poorly explored frequency band.*
  - Galactic Magnetic fields
    - Complementary to Global Magneto-Ionic Medium Survey (GIMIMS), 300–1800 MHz
    - Much deeper observations in subset of band.
  - Find and monitor Pulsars across massive sky area
    - Need real-time detection and monitoring software that extracts this data before the final averaging to Hz data rates.
    - Not intended for precision pulsar timing → but discover new objects.
  - Detect and monitor thousands of previously unknown Radio Transient

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# Summary

- New windows are opening now on the expansion history of the universe
  - Inflationary gravity waves, through CMB polarization
  - Growth-based dark energy tests, such as Sunyaev-Zeldovich
    - (beautiful) Proof-of-concept cluster detections from South Pole Telescope submitted for publication last week.
  - The BAO standard rulers
- A new Canadian consortium is building a new FFT cylinder experiment purpose built for the cosmic sound measurement.
  - Proposal submitted.
  - Still a lot of theory work to do... chip in!

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