

Title: Prospects for future SZ interferometers

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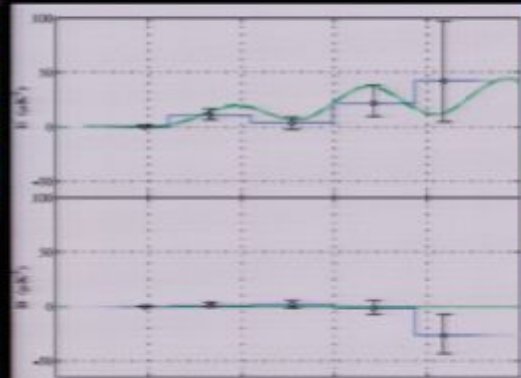
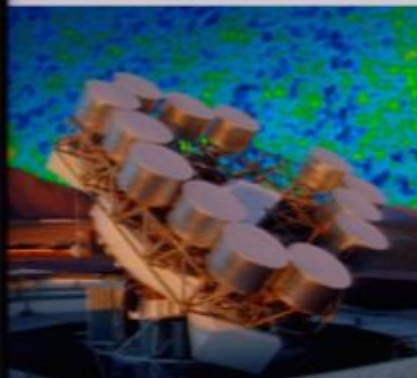
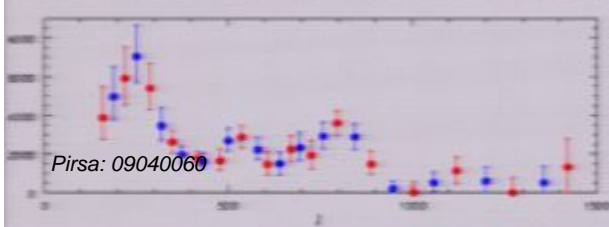
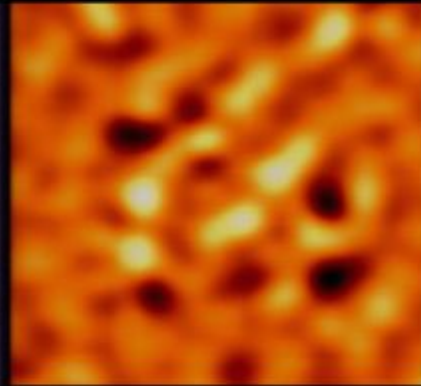
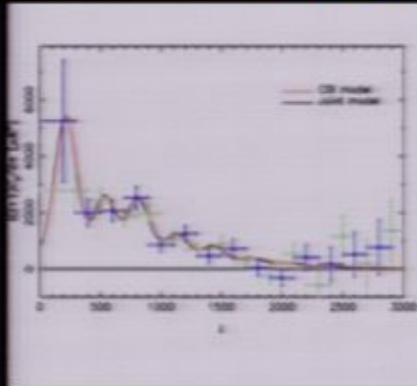
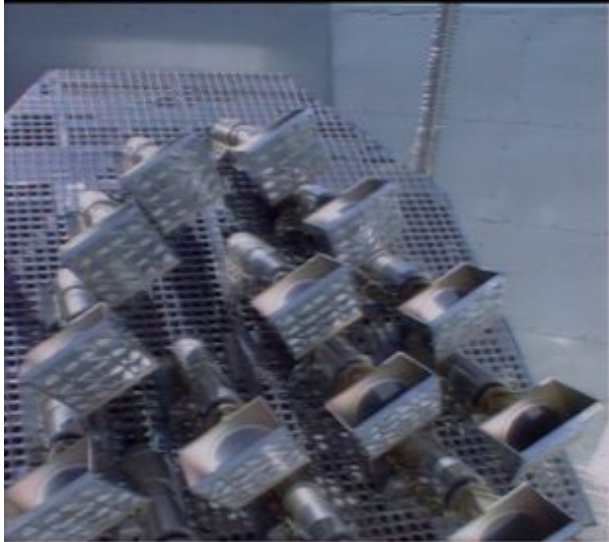
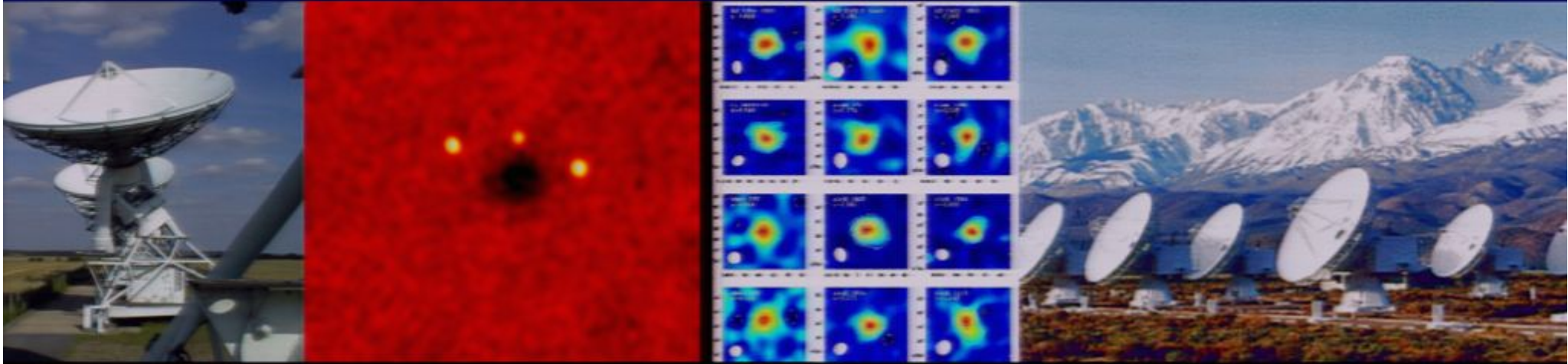




Interferometers have big advantages for CMB/SZ:

- Reject time-varying atmospheric power
- No scan-synchronous signals – no scan!
- Natural modulation of signal (‘fringe rate’) – ‘lock-in’ detection of sky
- Easy to scale to change resolution
- Natural measurement of polarization:
  - $L1 * L2 = T + iV$
  - $R1 * R2 = T - iV$
  - $L1 * R2 = Q + iU$
  - $R1 * L2 = Q - iU$
- You actually get thermal noise level in practice...

Problem: correlator scales as  $N_{\text{ant}}^2$  – generally more complicated...



# 'Proper' interferometry



Cleanness of interferometry relies on various features...

- Spatial/temporal filtering of atmosphere
  - No response to atm total power fluctuations
  - Correlated atm emission modulated by wind (eg Lay & Halverson 2000)
- Downconversion at antenna
  - Enables phase switching of LO – PSD post-correlation
  - Correlation receiver insensitive to amplifier  $1/f$  noise (Ryle 1957)
- Gain before splitting of signal to baselines
  - Arbitrary number of baselines possible without loss of sensitivity (cf optical (bolometric) interferometry)
- Tracking antennas
  - Requires path compensator
  - Path inserted in IF gives natural fringe rate



# Future SZ interferometer?

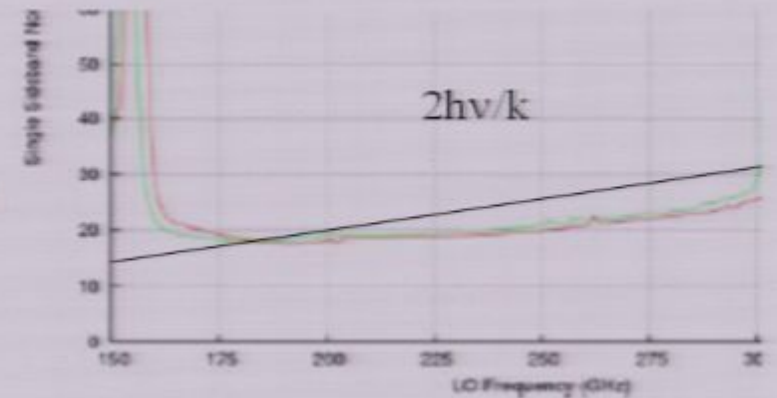
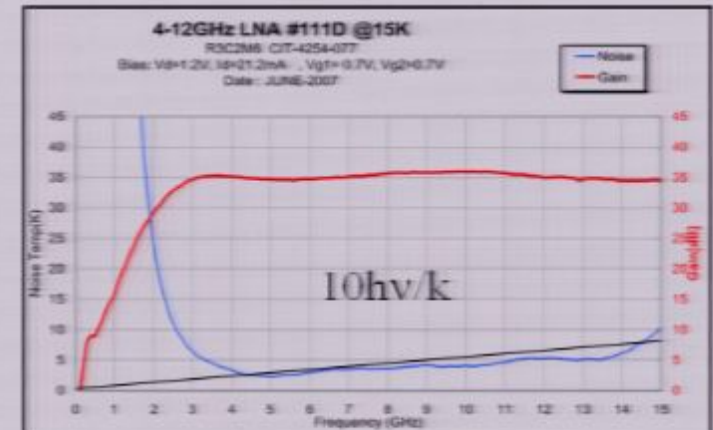


- Follow up survey clusters (100s? 1000s?)
- Resolution to see structure (gastrophysics essential for cosmology, and interesting anyway...) so long(ish) baselines (30 arcsec  $\sim 6k\lambda$ )
- Low resolution to get total fluxes so short(ish) baselines (30 arcmin  $\sim 100 \lambda$ )

$$S(0) = \int \Delta T d\Omega \sim D_A^{-2} \int kT dV$$

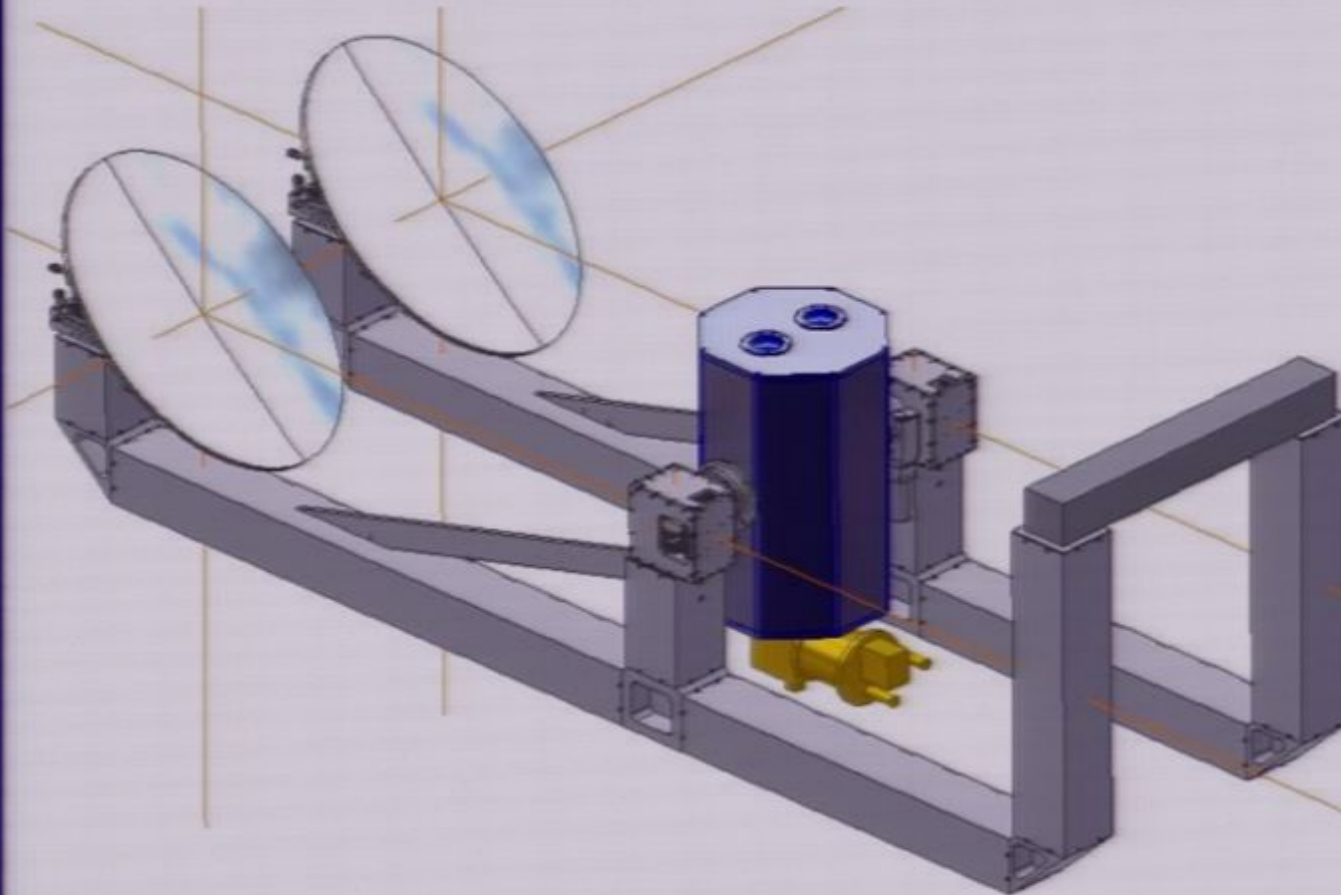
- Frequency coverage to allow
  - Foregrounds removal (radio sources, IR sources)
  - Kinetic SZ
  - $T_e$  from relativistic effect
- Need  $\sim 30$  to  $\sim 250$  GHz (Knox, Holder & Church 2004)
- Bandwidth: full atmospheric/waveguide windows ie up to  $\sim 40$  GHz
- Frequency resolution
  - $\Delta\nu/\nu \sim$  resolution/FOV required anyway for imaging
  - Improved spectral mapping eg around null
  - Line emission?

- Frequency range 30-250 GHz spans technology range
- HEMTs are getting better:
  - Best InP MIC (discrete transistor) ~  $0.25\text{K}/\text{GHz} = 5 \times \text{hv}/\text{k}$
  - Projected  $3 \times \text{hv}/\text{k}$  in MMIC (integrated) 35 nm process
  - Eg 15K at 100 GHz, 40K at 250 GHz
- SIS mixers at 100 GHz and above:
  - $2 \times \text{hv}/\text{k}$  possible with conversion gain
  - HEMT amplifiers for IF at  $\nu_{\text{RF}}/(5-10)$



- Need many 10s of GHz BW for competitive sensitivity
- Digital?
  - ~3 Gs/s 8b ADCs available at ~\$2000 a go.
  - Current FPGAs deliver ~350 Gop/s for ~\$2000 and consume ~100W (eg ROACH board with Virtex XC5VSX95T)
  - 100 baselines x 40 GHz x 32ch needs ~1500 FPGAs - \$3M and 150 kW
  - Custom devices ~10x cheaper/less power but big NRE
  - Moore's law will rescue you eventually...
- Analogue?
  - 20 GHz multiplier chips possible for ~\$10 each in bulk, ~100 mW
  - 100 baselines x 40 GHz x 32ch needs ~12,000 chips - \$120k, 1.2 kW
- Analogue looks competitive for the next decade at least...

## GUBBINS: A novel millimeter-wave heterodyne interferometer



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## Aims:-

- Prototype mm-wave heterodyne interferometer
  - Low to medium spectral and spatial resolution
  - High brightness sensitivity
- Technology demonstrator
- Funded by Royal Society's Paul Instrument Fund
- Builds on technology development projects at Oxford

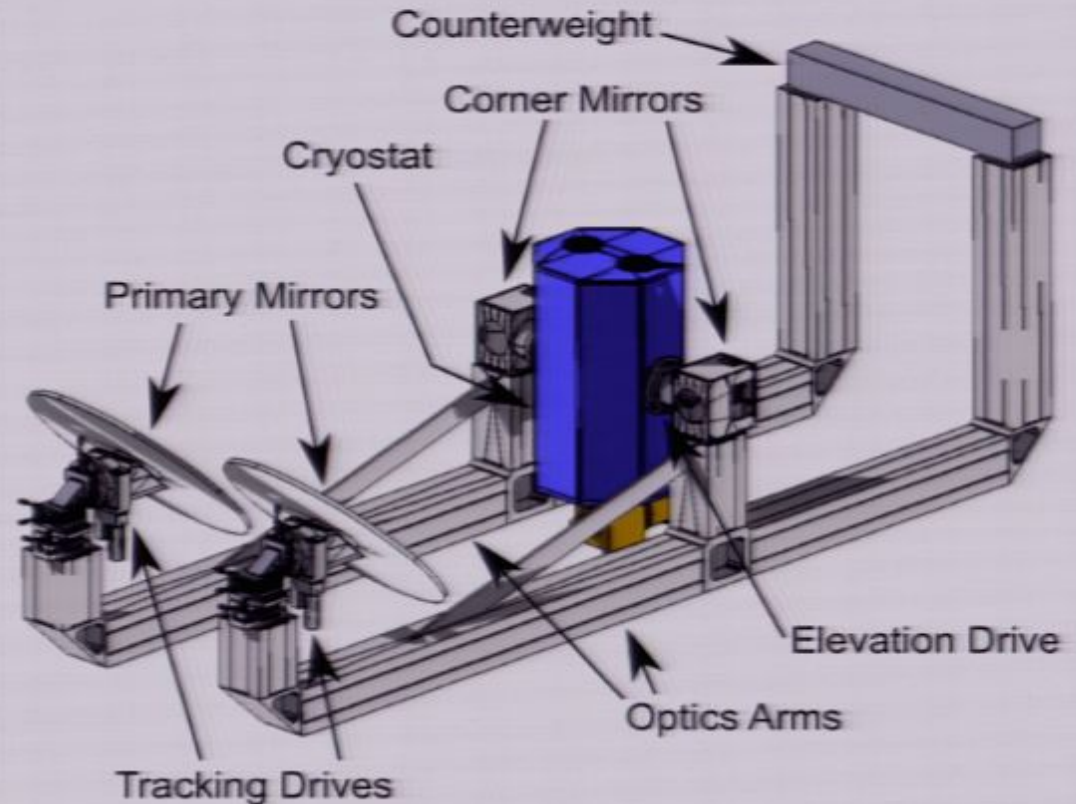
## Astronomical Observations:-

- Observe from Chajnantor Observatory (CBI/QUIET site), possibly initial observations from Tenerife
- Measure Sunyaev-Zeldovich effect for few brightest galaxy clusters in southern sky
- Other on sky tests of interferometer – atmosphere, planets etc.

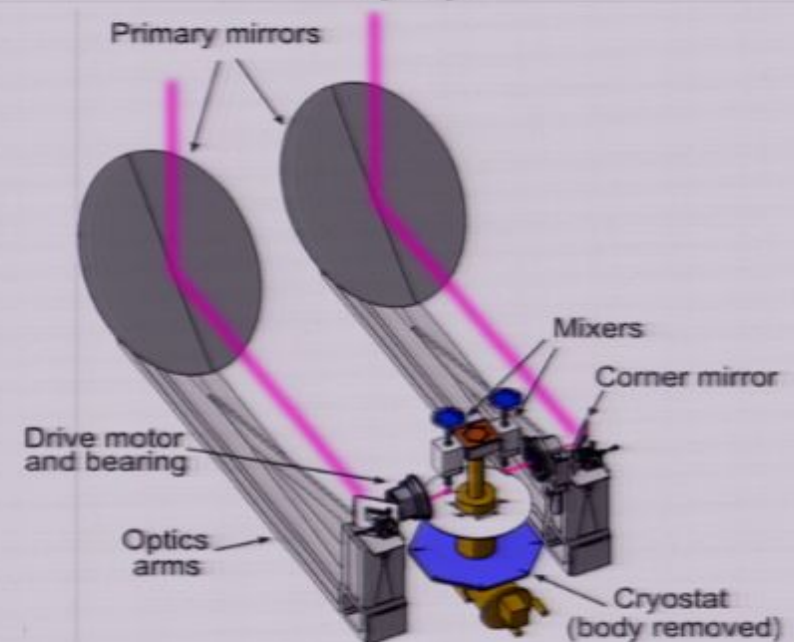
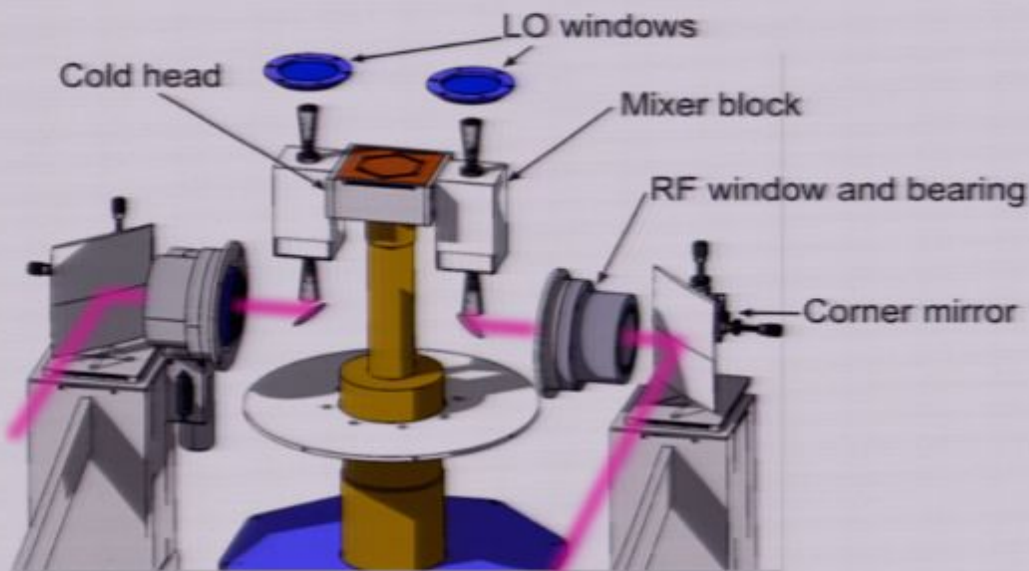
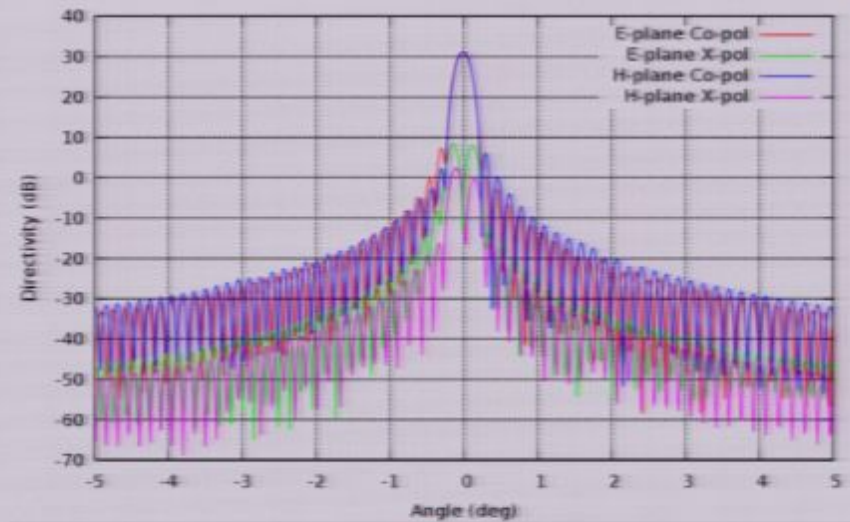
## 220-GHz Ultra-BroadBand Interferometer for S-Z – GUBBINS

Single baseline interferometer at 185-275 GHz

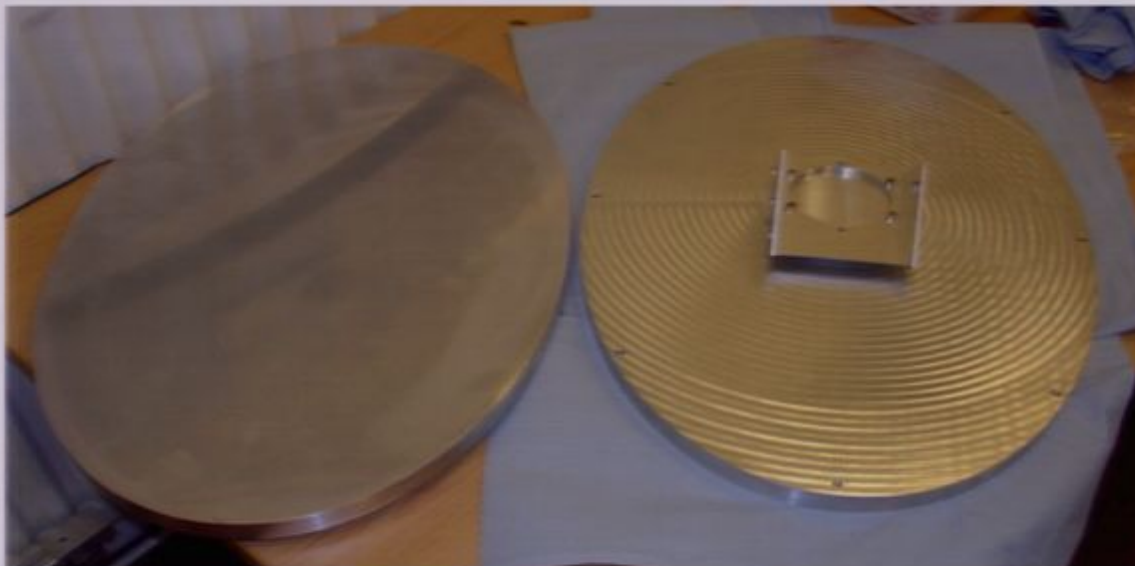
Frequency	185-275 GHz
Antenna aperture	0.4 m
Baseline	0.5-0.6 m
Primary beam	11' @ 220 GHz
Spatial resolution	7'-11' @ 220 GHz
Mixer IF band	3-13 GHz
Instantaneous bandwidth	2x 10 GHz
Spectral resolution	1.125 GHz
Target system temperature	50 K
Brightness sensitivity	350 $\mu\text{K}/\text{s}^{1/2}$



- 45° offset parabolic primary mirrors (0.45x0.7m)
- Beam folded by a convex 45° offset mirror
- Fed by 8° FWHM corrugated horn-reflector antennas
- Telescope pointed by rotating optics about horn axis, and rotating primary about axis from primary to corner mirror

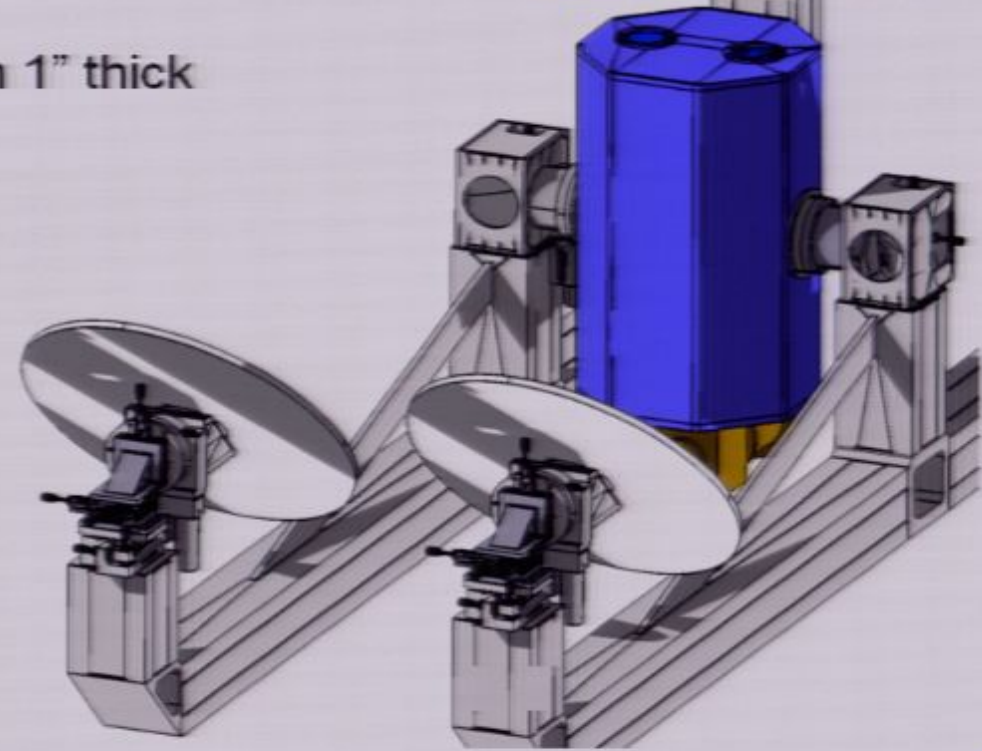
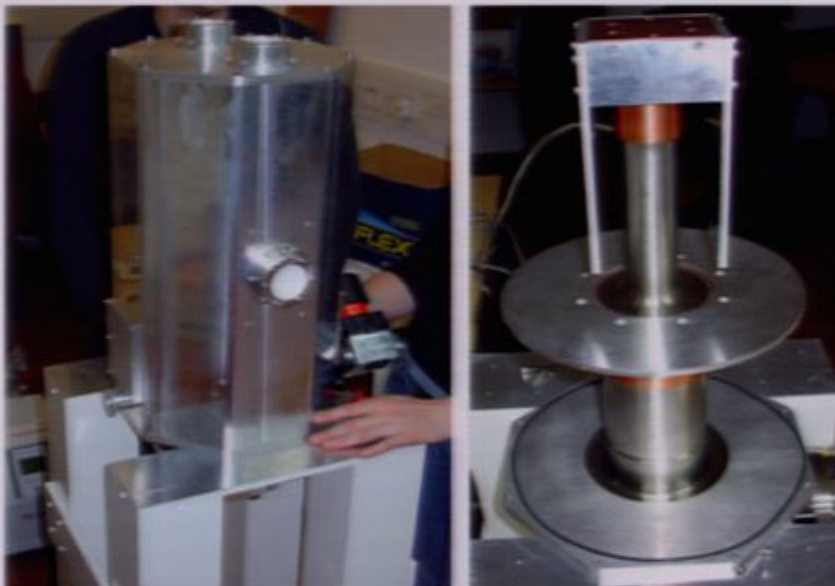
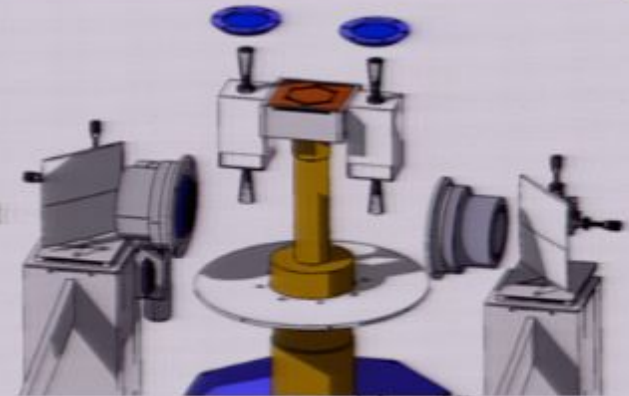


- Mirrors are CNC milled from solid aluminium
- Surface accuracy measured on CMM  $\sim \pm 10 \mu\text{m}$
- Corner mirrors mounted on 2-axis goniometers
- Primary mirrors mounted on tip/tilt stage, XYZ translation stage and servo motor



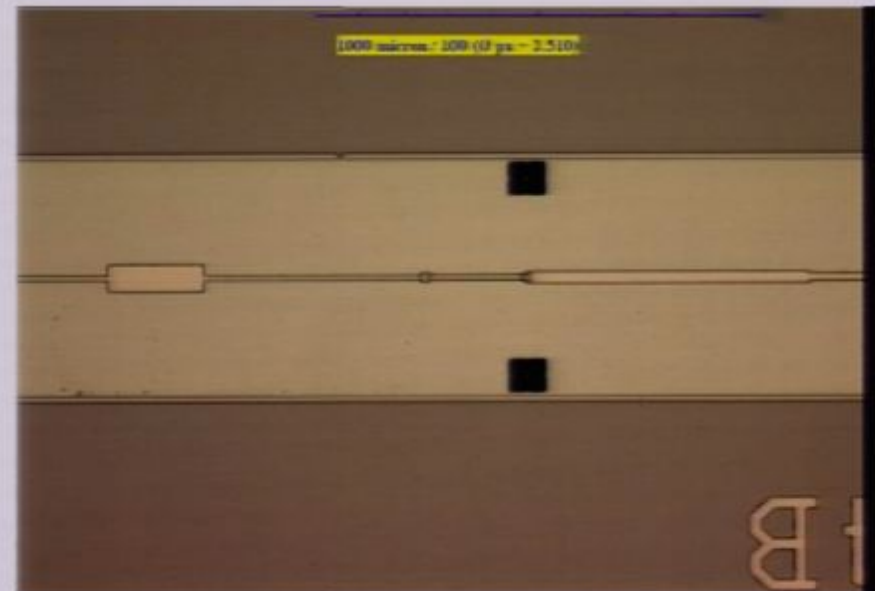


- Sumitomo G-M cooler (1W @ 4 K stage)
- Both SIS mixers mounted looking out of opposite sides of cryostat
- SIS mixers and 1<sup>st</sup> stage IF amps on 4 K stage, 2<sup>nd</sup> stage IF amps on 40 K stage
- Cryostat supports optics arms and is mounted on telescope plinth
- 50mm Cryostat windows made from 1" thick Zotefoam PPA-30

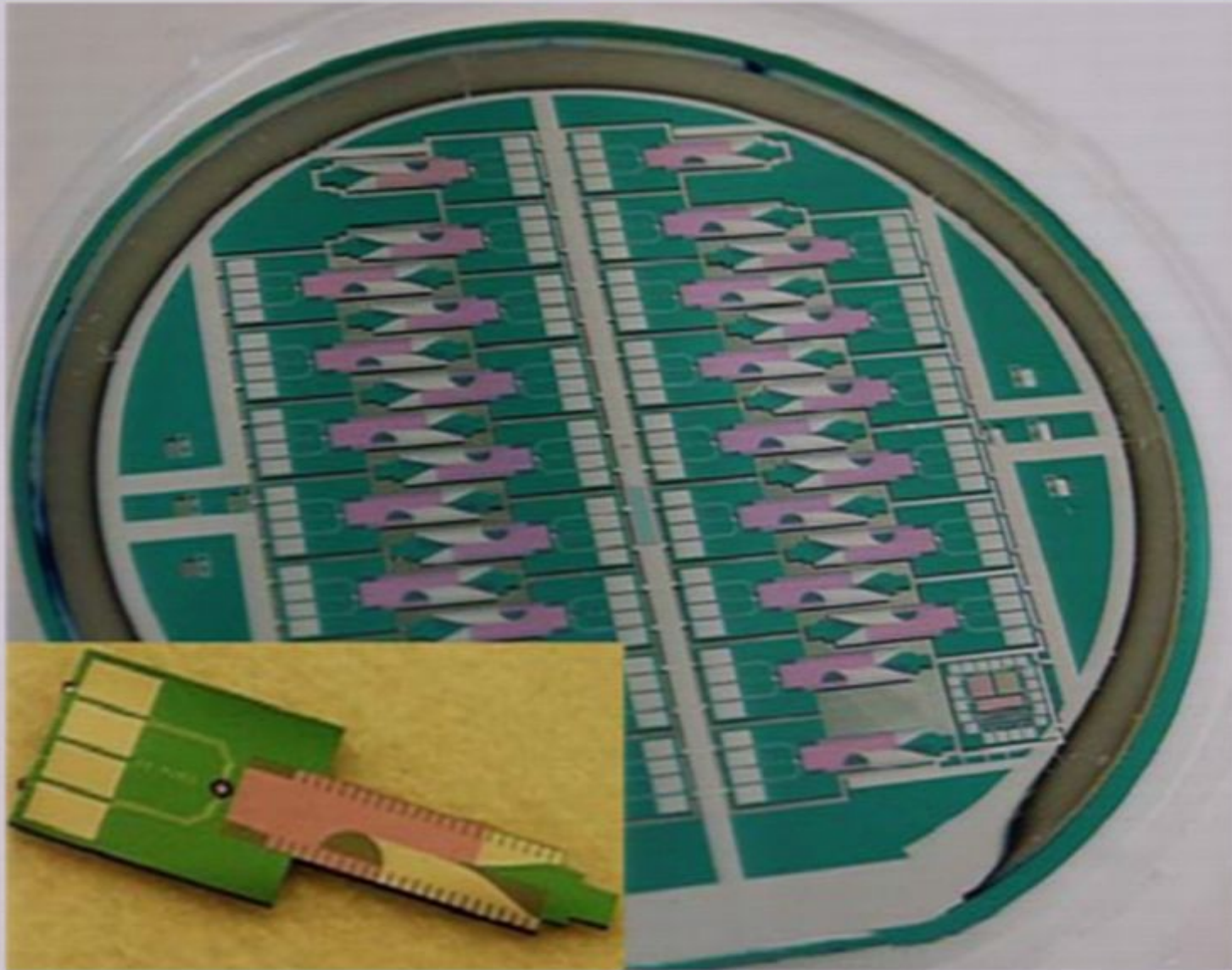


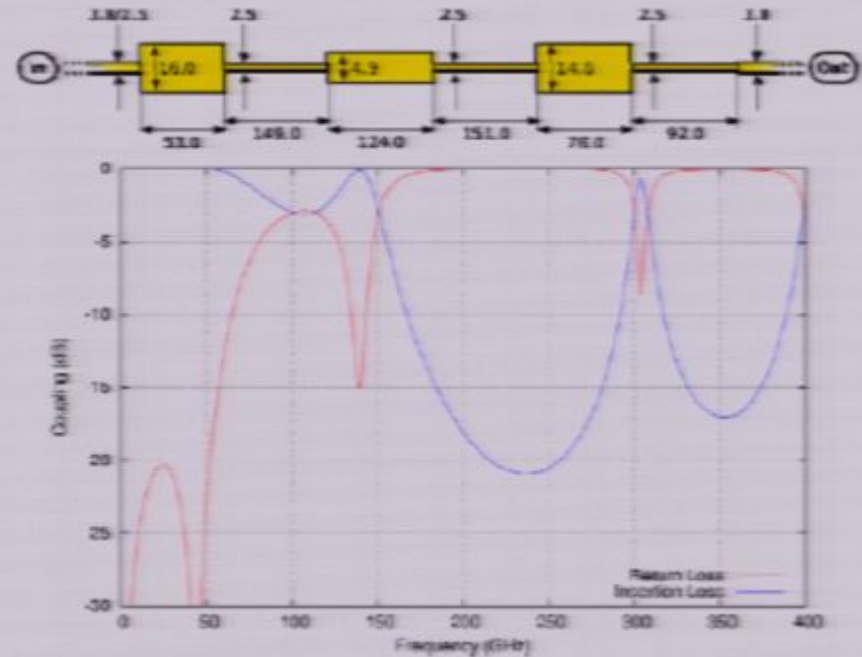
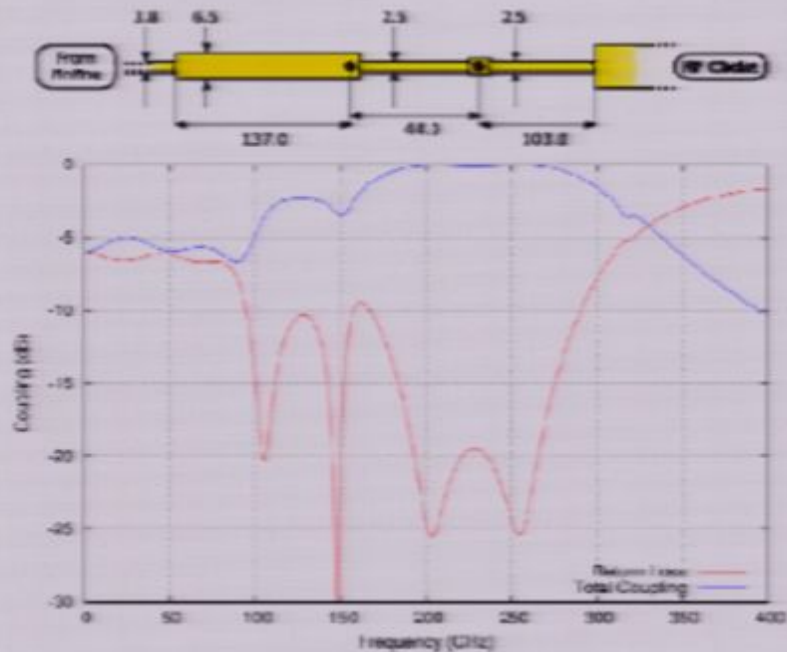


- Finline SIS mixers with IF band up to 2-20 GHz
- Fabricated by Paul Grimes at facility of Karl Jacobs, Cologne
- Currently testing single-ended mixer prototypes to prove wide IF band technology
- Eventually build and test single-chip balanced mixers and single-chip sideband separating mixers
- Grimes et al ISSTT 2008



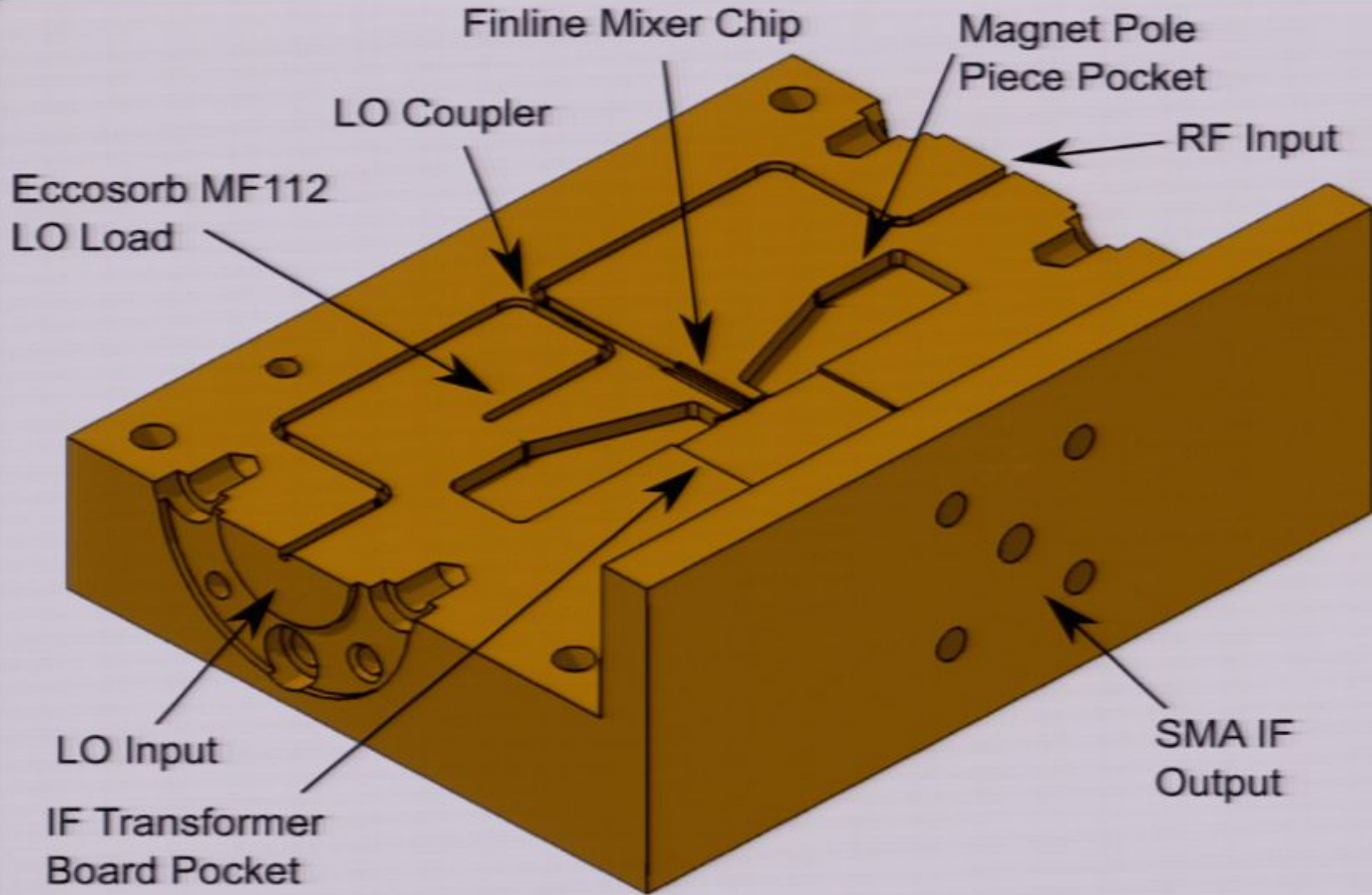
# ...aside...Clover 97GHz finline TES detectors





- Mixer tuning circuit to allow wide RF band 185 – 275 GHz
- RF choke gives wide IF band while isolating RF side
- Predicted noise temperature  $\sim 20\text{K}$  over full IF and RF band
- Measured noise temp  $\sim 50\text{K}$  with known problems with cryostat losses and LO power
- Conversion gain  $> -3\text{dB}$  over 0 – 20 GHz IF band.

# GUBBINS – Mixer Blocks

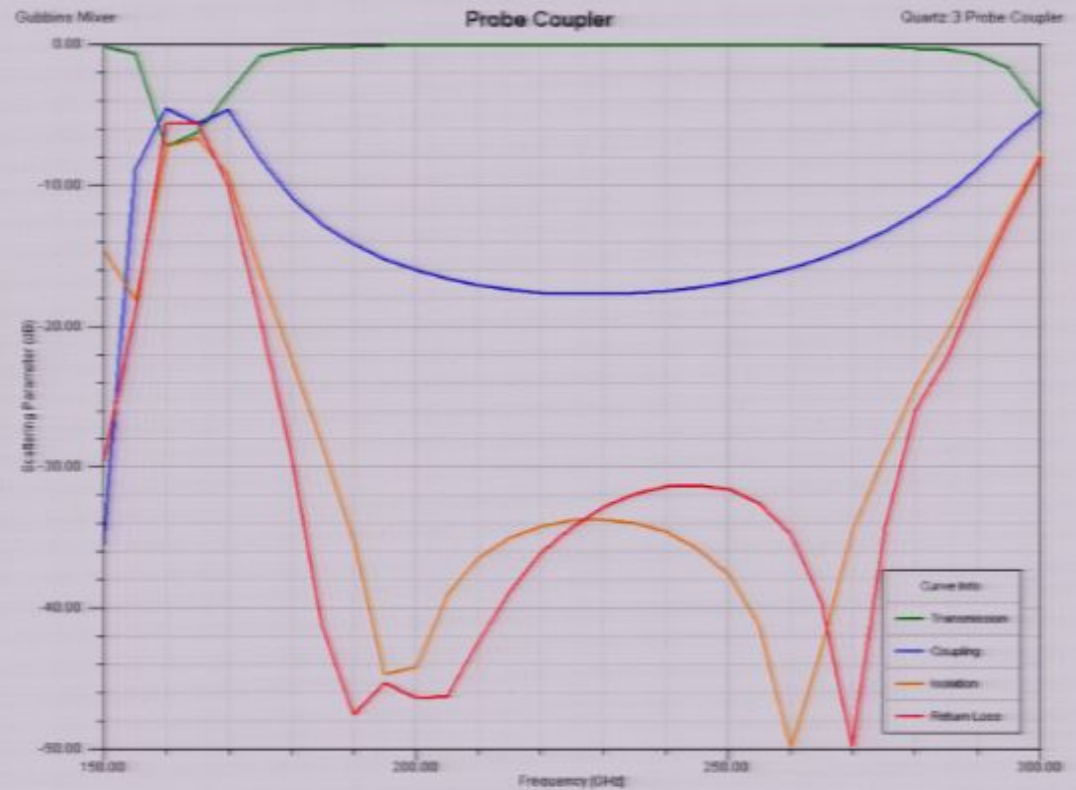
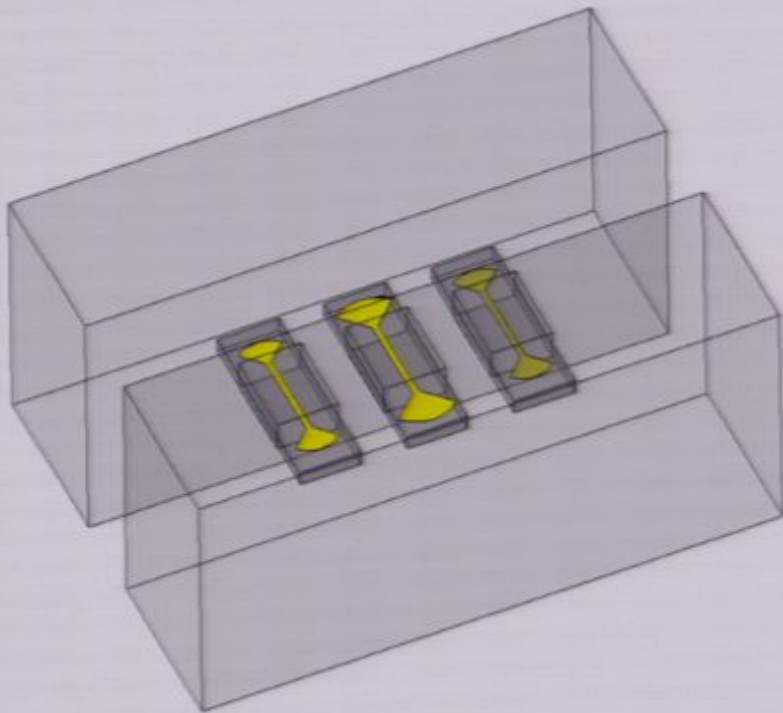


Currently being machined by Chris Groppi at University of Arizona

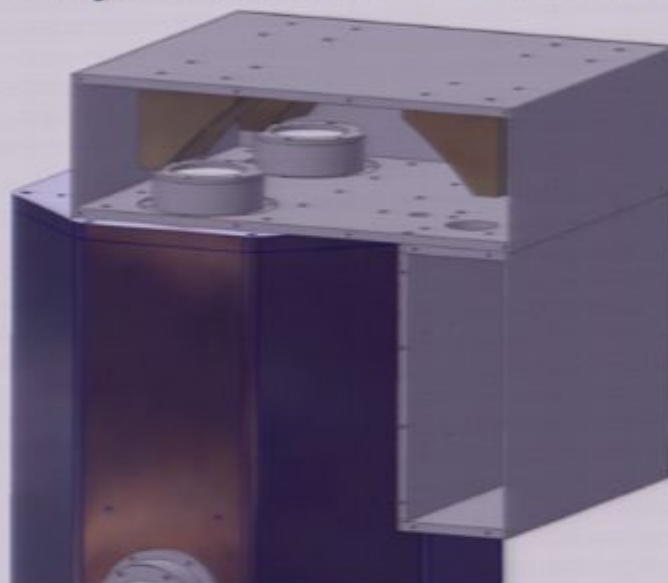
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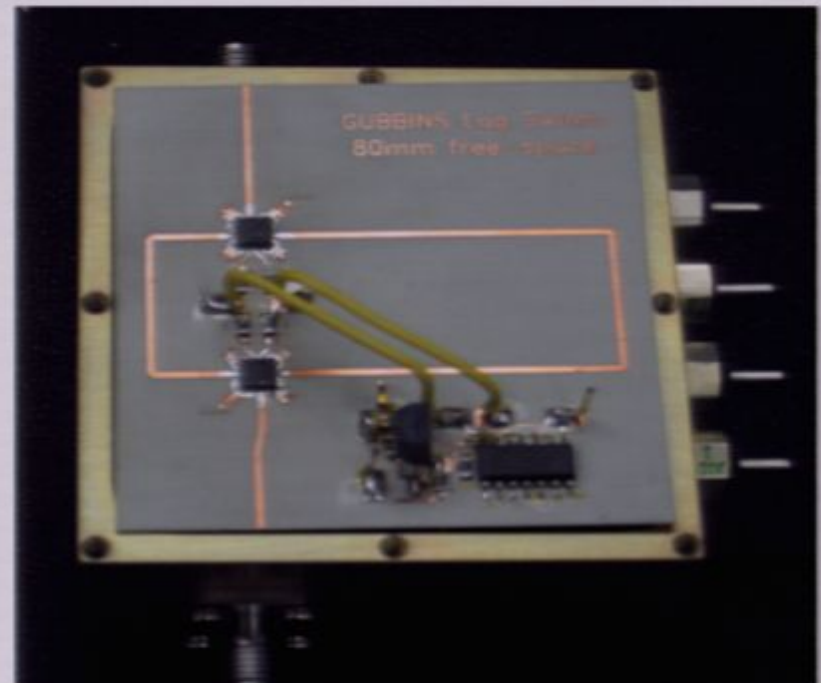
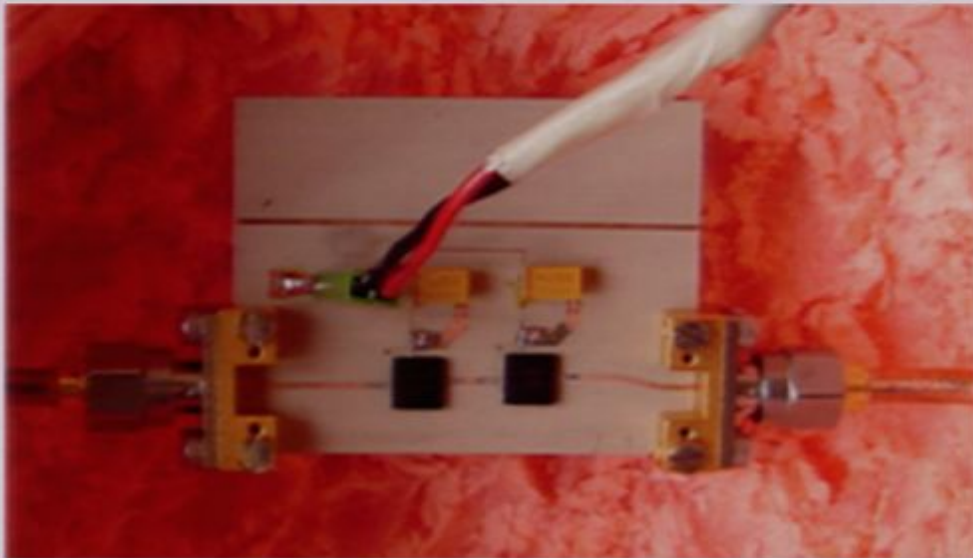
- LO is injected in mixer block
- Coupled via 3 section directional coupler
- Uses radial probe fed strip line couplers on quartz



- Require 2 phase locked LO signals – 195-260 GHz
- One signal 180° phase switched against the other to modulate sky signal
- LO signal generated by microwave synth source (10.8-14.5 GHz)
- Signal split in power divider
- Phase shift introduced in one arm - 10° Schiffman phase switch
- LO signals multiplied x18 by Radiometer Physics multipliers
  - 200  $\mu$ W  $\pm$  3dB – can be individually levelled with attenuators
- LO coupled quasi-optically to mixer blocks in cryostat via two Gaussian beam telescopes
- Feed with drilled smooth-wall horns

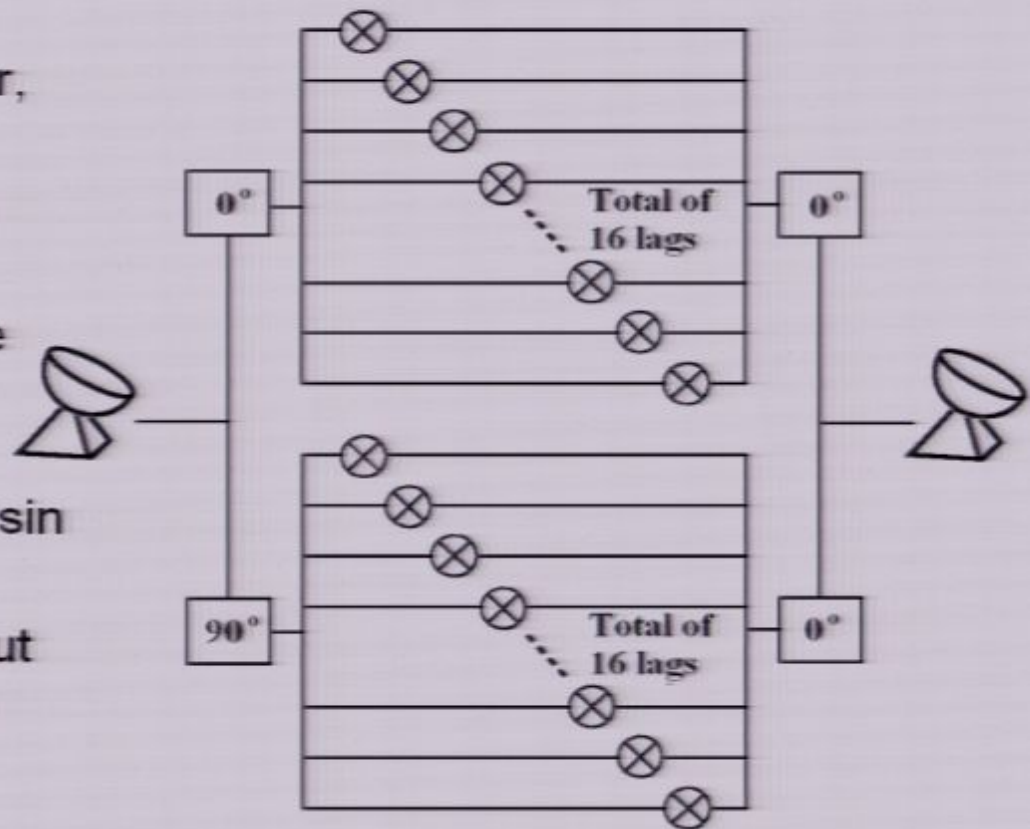


- Cryogenic LNAs from Sandy Weinreb – 3-13 GHz, 3-4 K at 4 K
- Subsequent gain stages based on off-the-shelf Hittite packaged LNA – 2-20 GHz, 13 dB gain, 3.5 dB NF, cascadable, ~\$70 per chip – coolable to 4 K with significant improvement in noise: 30-80 K at 4 K from 2-20 GHz
- Further band-pass filters, slope compensation, automatic gain control
- 7-bit 2.5-160 mm Path Compensator built from switched microstrip delay lines





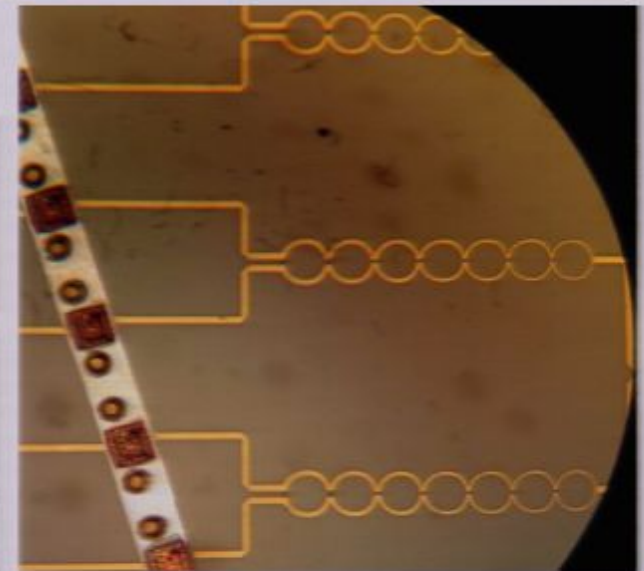
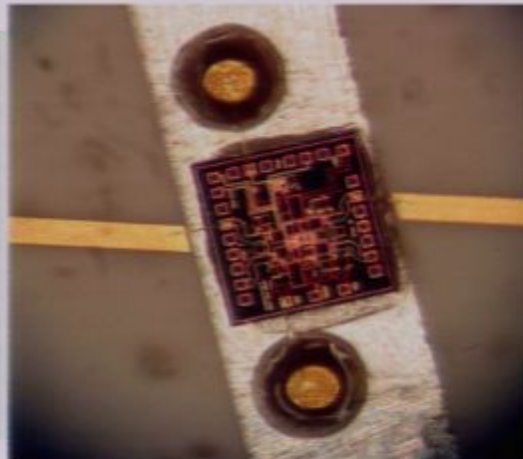
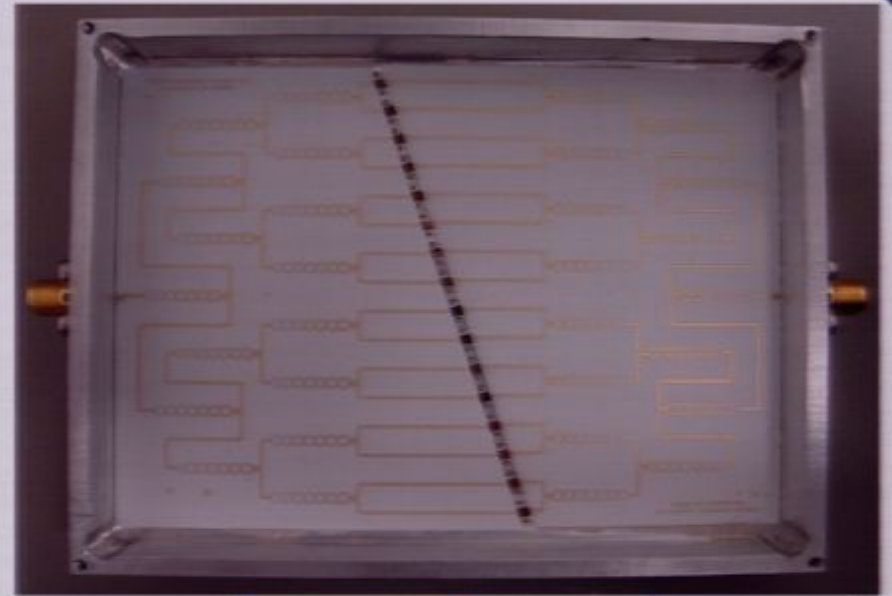
- Analogue 16 lag complex correlator, 2-20 GHz
- Signals from each antenna split in quadrature hybrids
- Signals combined with varying time delays, forming cross-correlations between antennas
- Forms all combinations of cos and sin fringes between two antennas
- Discrete Fourier Transform of output gives independent complex power spectra for each sideband



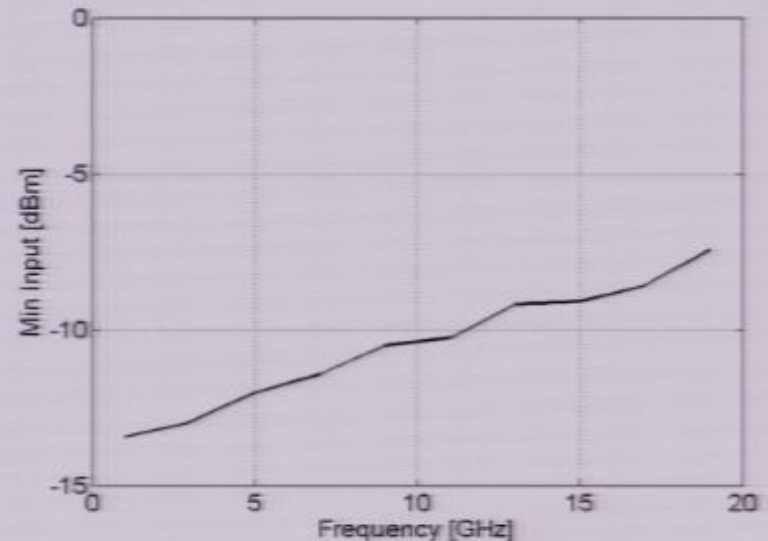
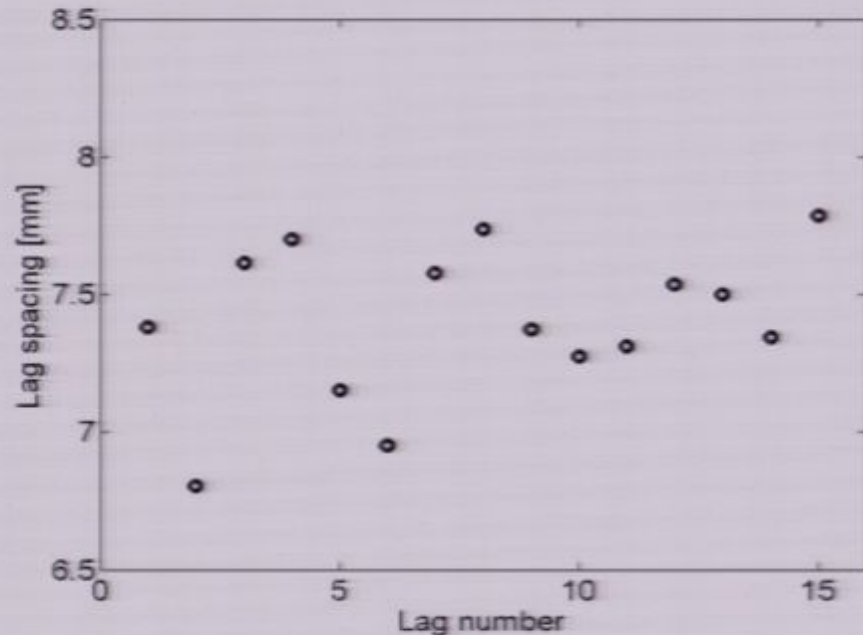
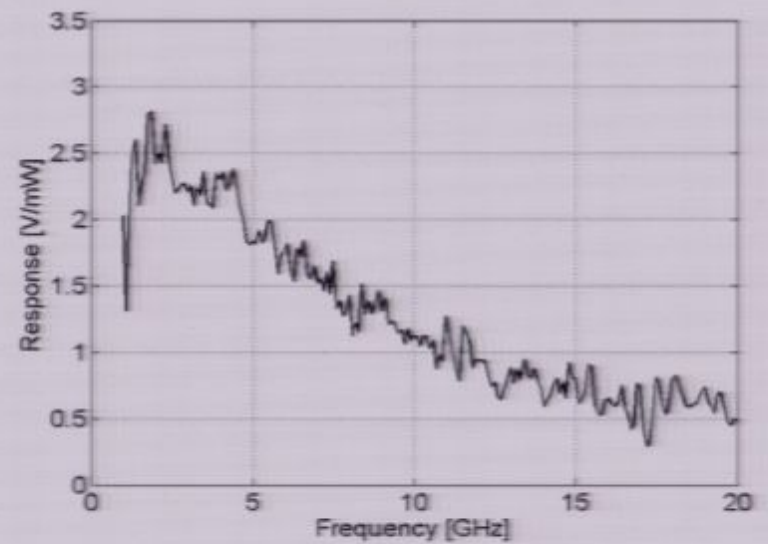
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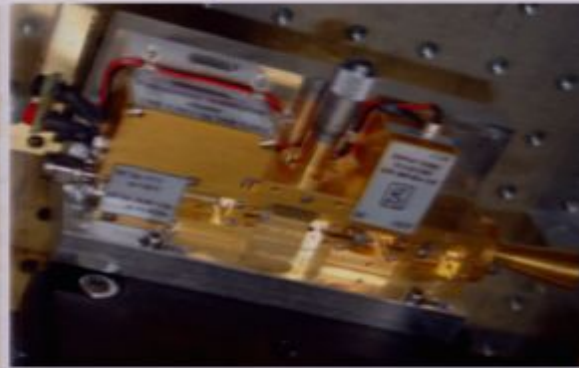
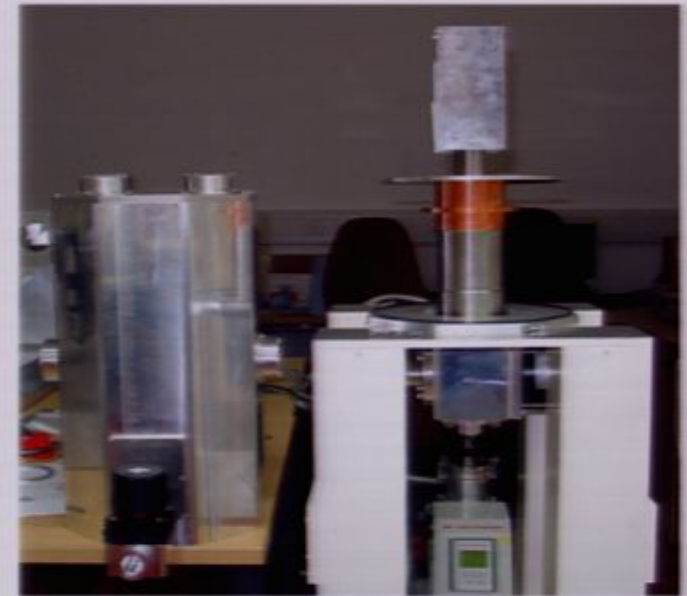
- Signals from antennas split in commercial quadrature hybrids
- Feed 4 lag correlator boards
- Each input signal split 16 ways in splitter tree
- Uses 7-stage Wilkinson power dividers fabricated on alumina
- Signals combined in Gilbert Cell multiplier chips – Andrew Harris and Steve Maas
- Multiplier chips read by Oxford-developed multichannel ADC and FPGA electronics



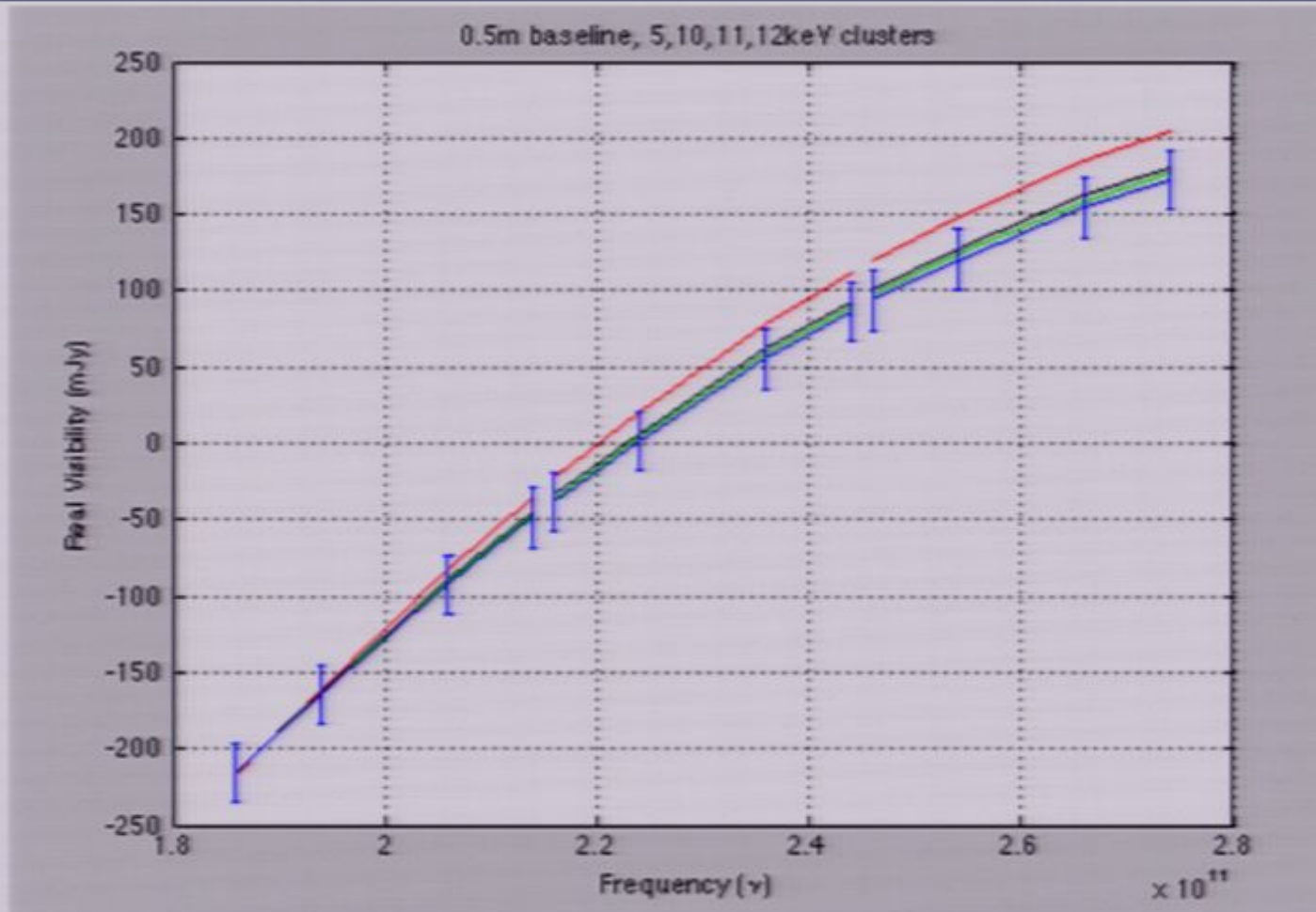
- First correlator board has been tested
- Bandwidth 2-20 GHz achieved
- Good lag spacing uniformity
- Good response and linearity
- Sideband separation will give 36 GHz usable RF bandwidth



- Telescope parts are made and partially assembled
- Cryostat is being assembled
- Mixer blocks are in production
- First batch of mixers are being tested
- Cryogenic IF amplifiers delivered
- LO has been delivered, other parts in production
- IF system is awaiting assembly
- Correlator and backend have been prototyped, and are now in production
- Complete assembly and start testing this year



# Gubbins sensitivity

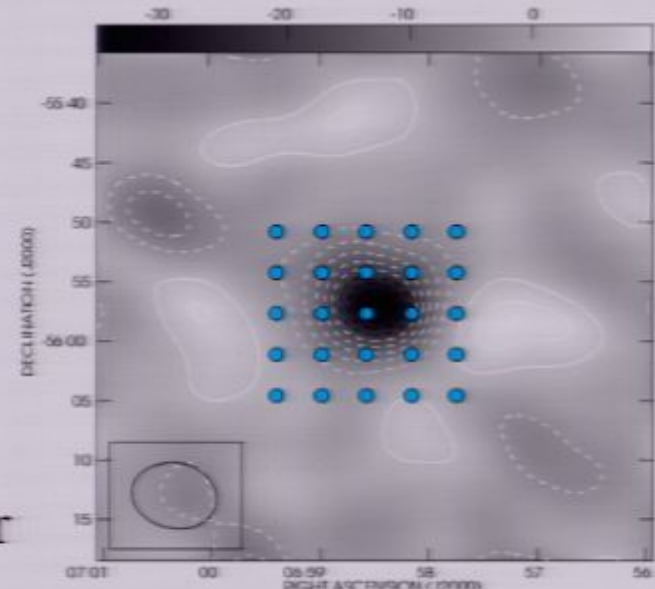


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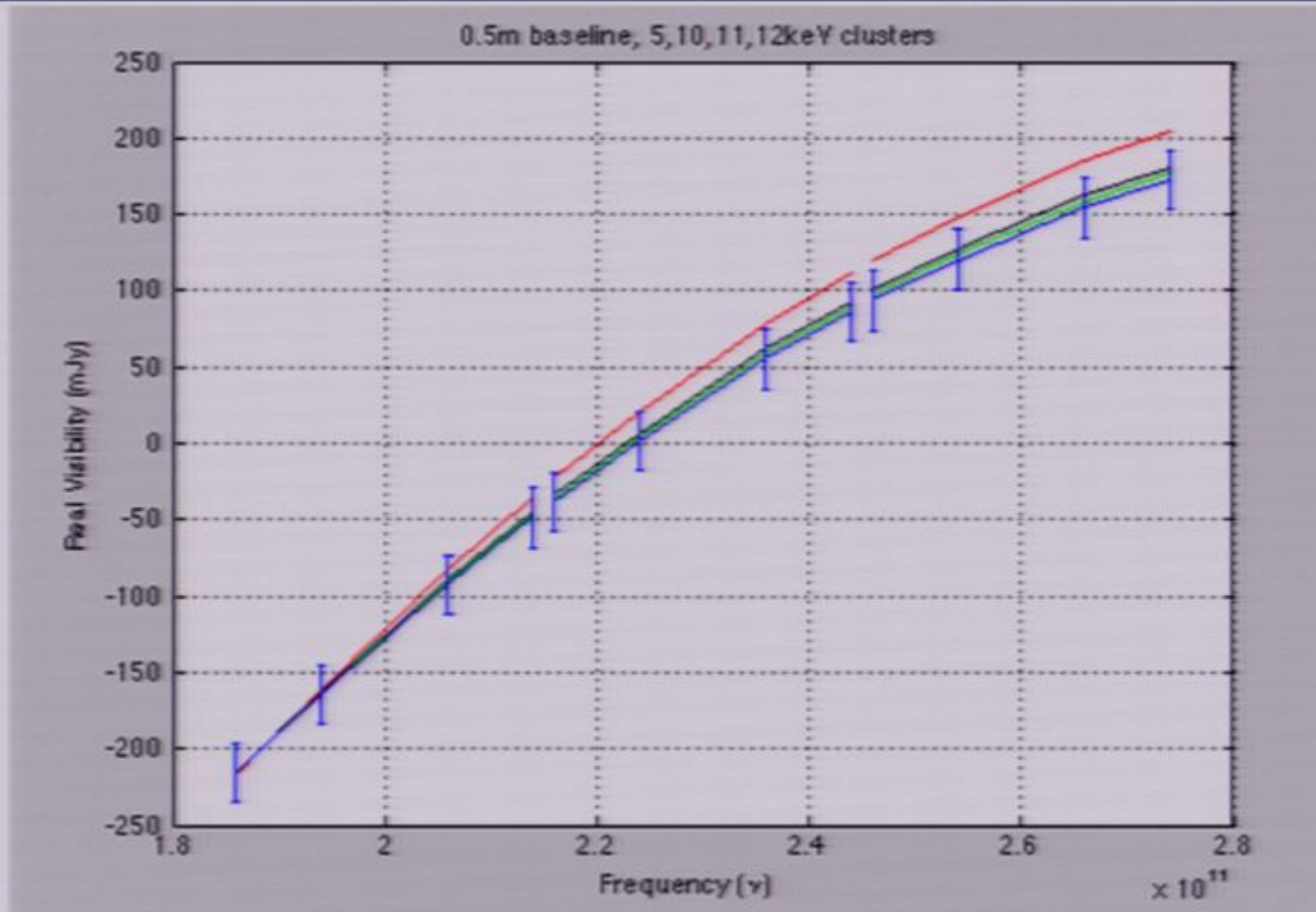


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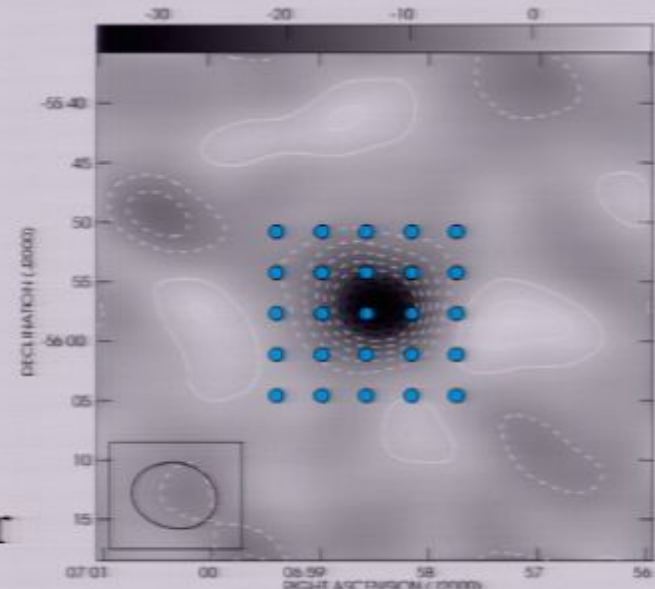


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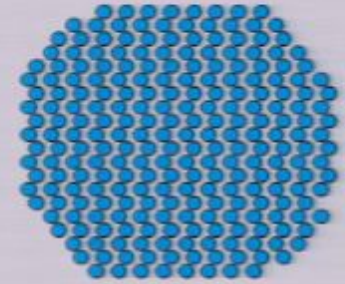
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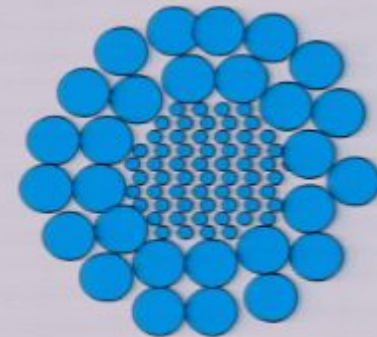
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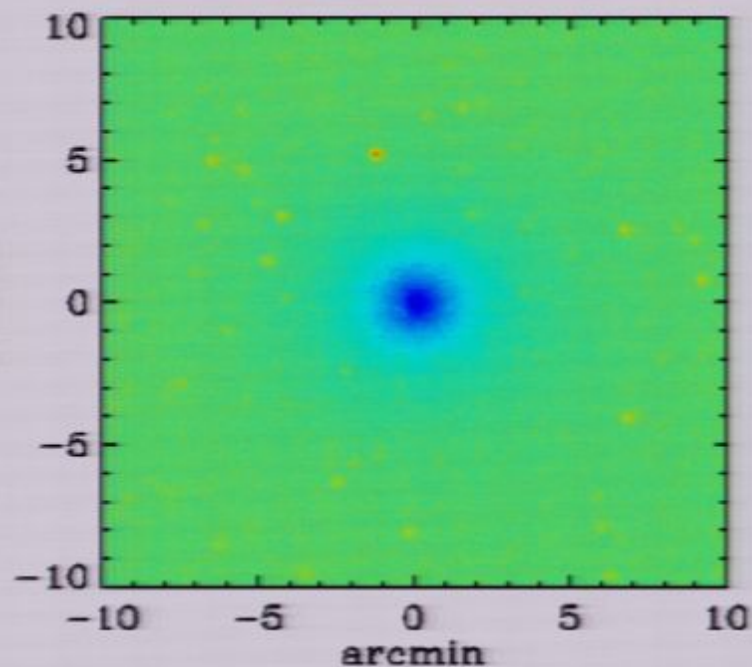
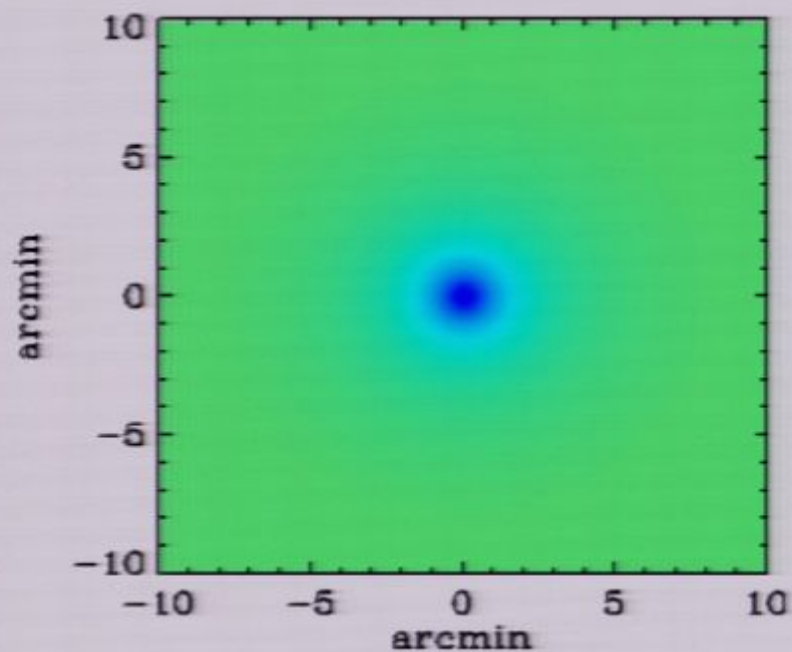
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# Simple simulation...



Sarah Church

- 100 1m dishes + 100 3m dishes where each 3m dish has 7 pixels, has 800 detectors, but requires  $\sim \text{few} \times 10^5$  correlations

# Summary



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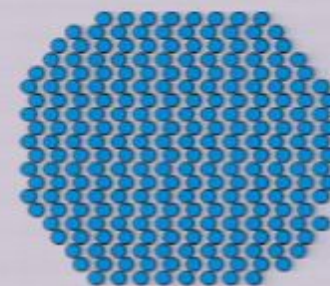
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