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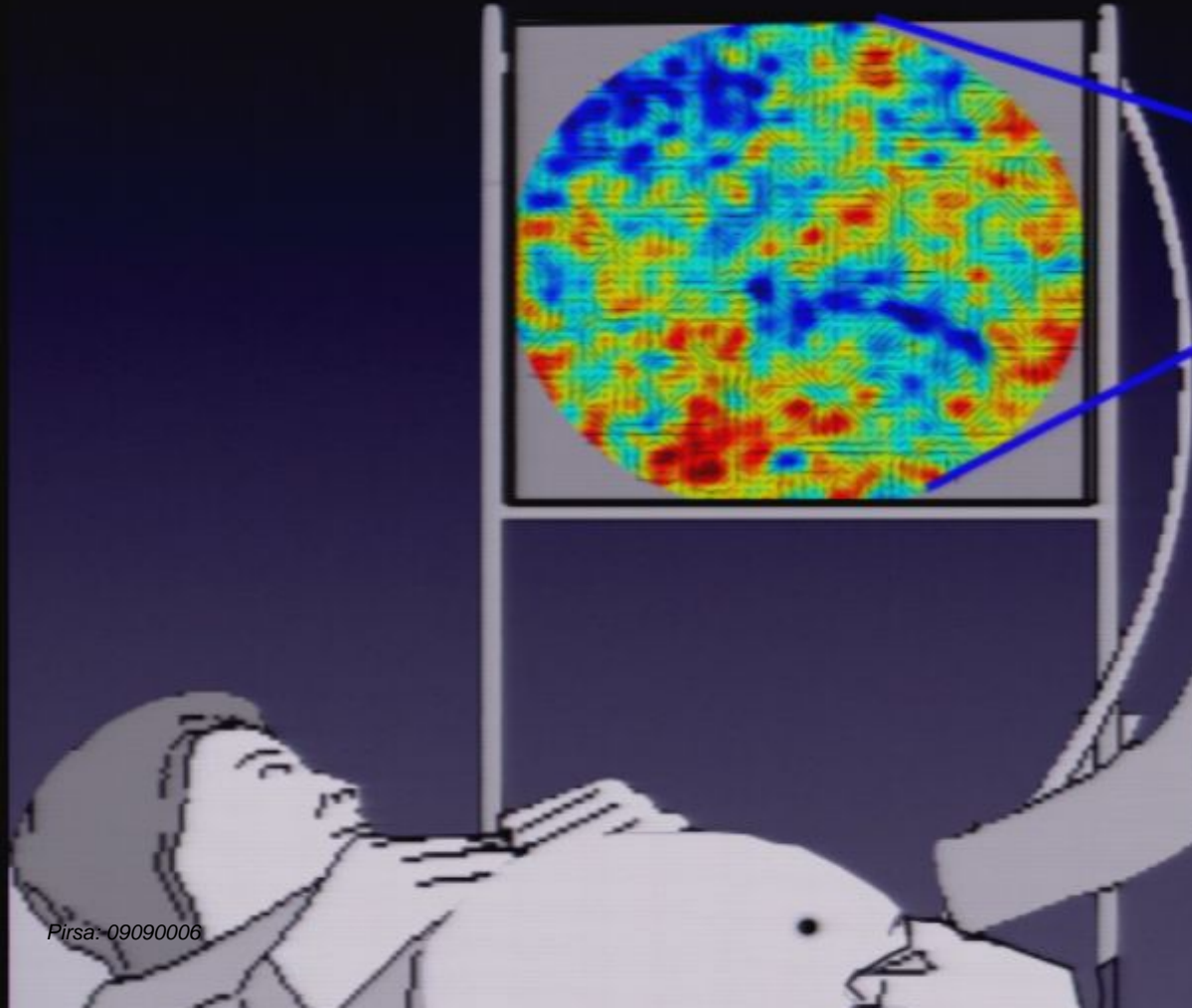
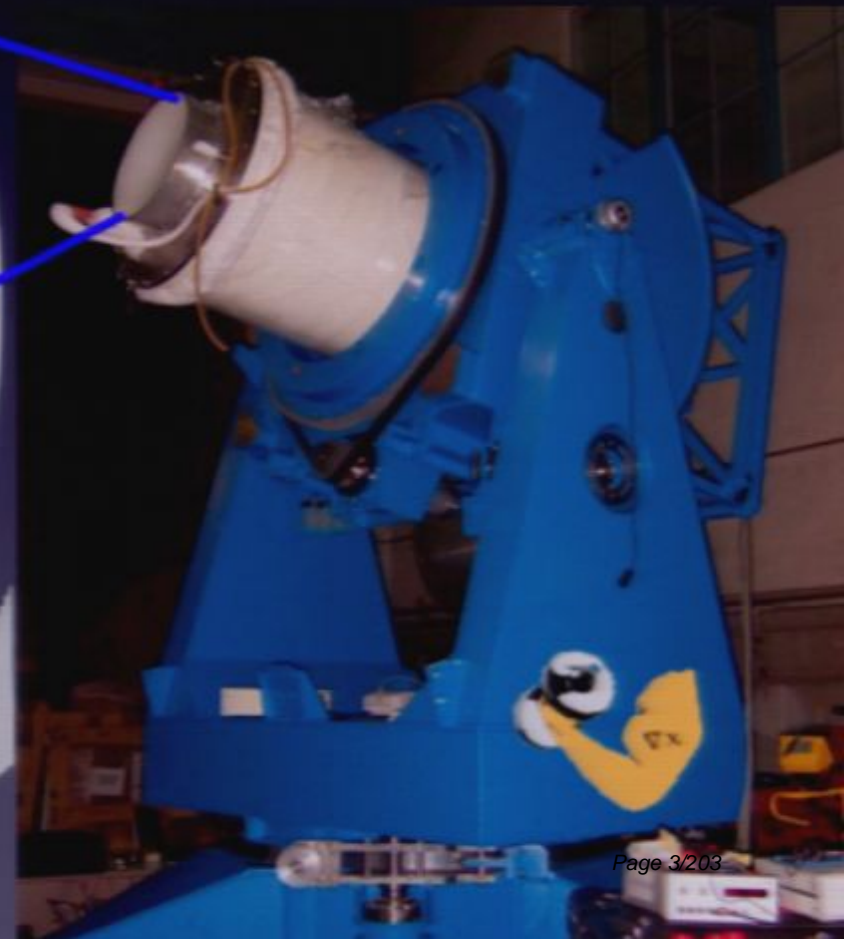
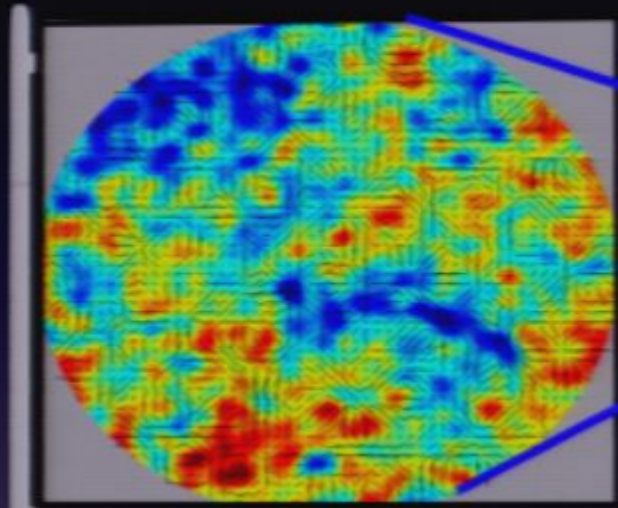
Abstract: The Background Imager of Cosmic Extragalactic Polarization (BICEP) experiment is the first polarimeter developed to measure the inflationary B-mode polarization of the CMB. During three seasons of observing at the South Pole, Antarctica beginning in 2006, BICEP mapped 2% of the sky chosen to be clean of polarized foreground emission, with sub-degree resolution. In this colloquium I will present initial results derived from a subset of the data acquired during the first two years of data and discuss the unique design features of BICEP which led to the first meaningful limits on the tensor-to-scalar ratio to come from B-mode polarization. Recently, Xia, Li & Zhang (2009) have claimed a detection of parity-violating "cosmic birefringence" effects using publicly available BICEP data. I will discuss polarimetric fidelity in the light of systematic errors and how such effects are particularly pernicious for probes of cosmic parity violation. I will conclude with a discussion demonstrating how BICEP, and its successor "BICEP2" will inform future measurements of the inflationary gravitational wave background and cosmic birefringence.

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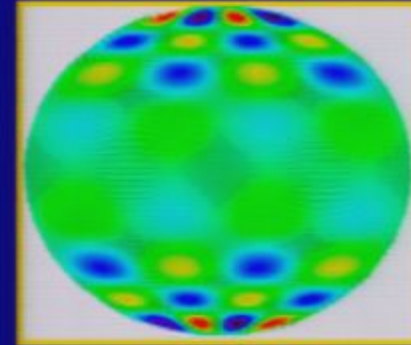
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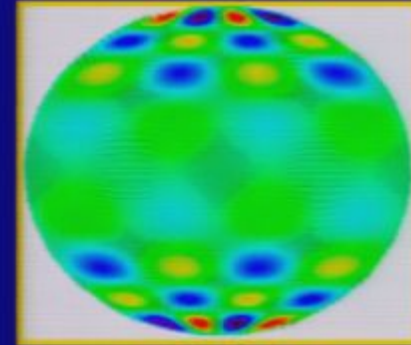
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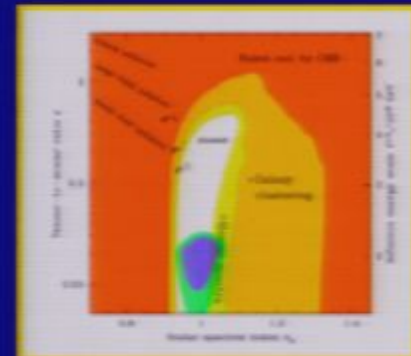
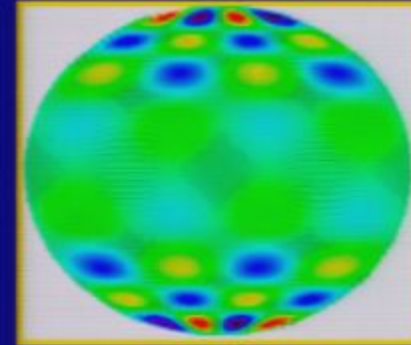
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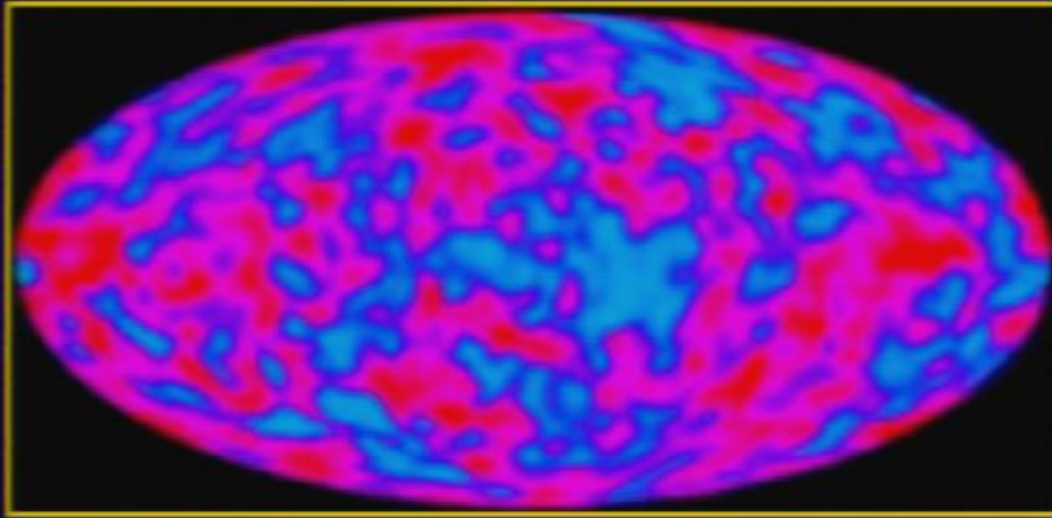
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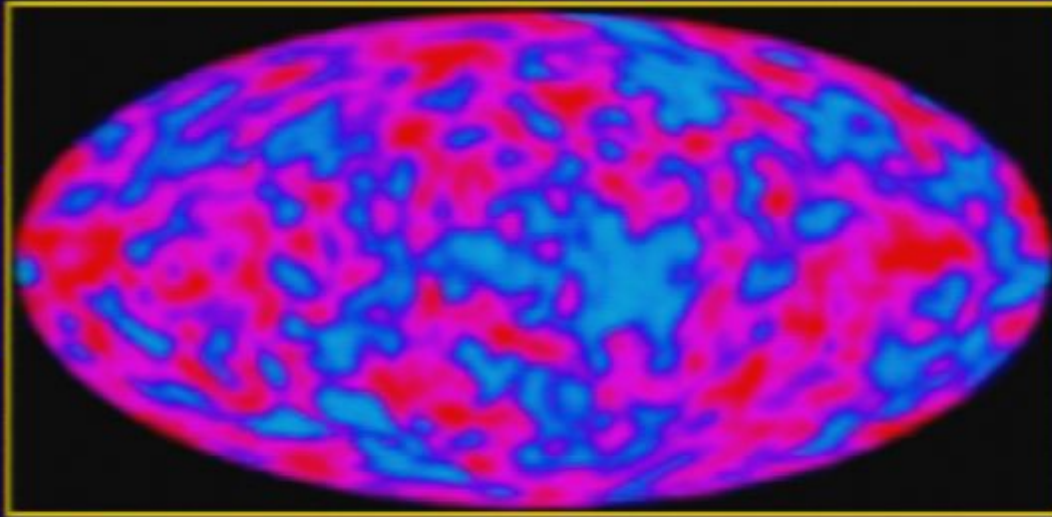
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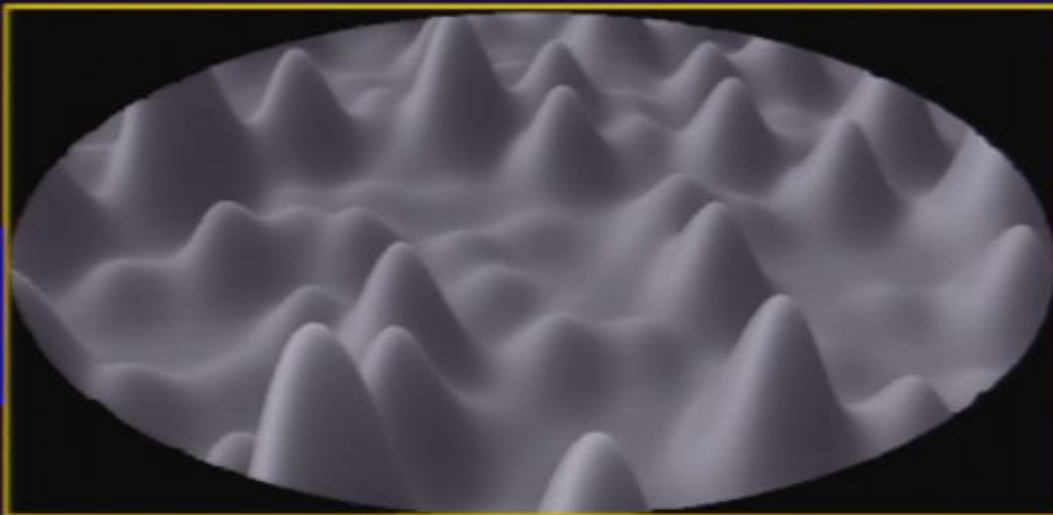


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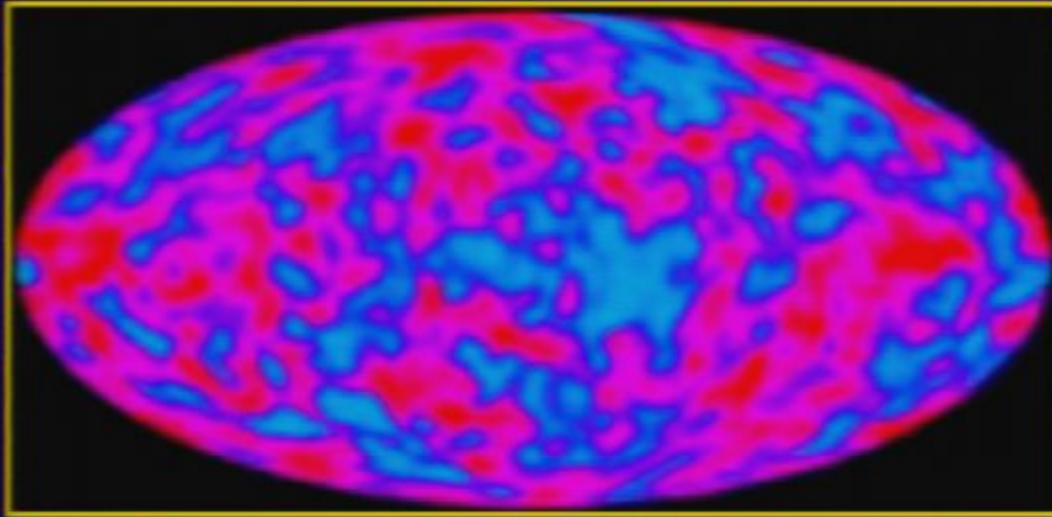


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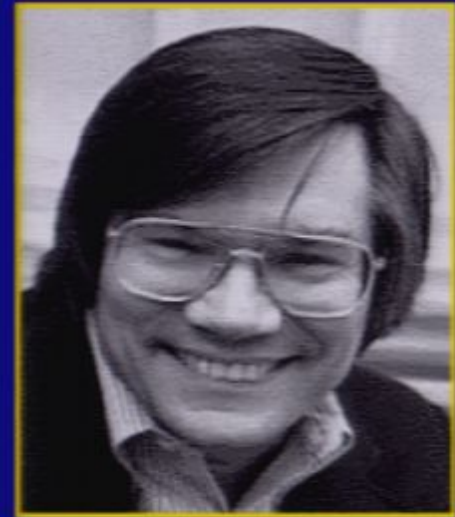
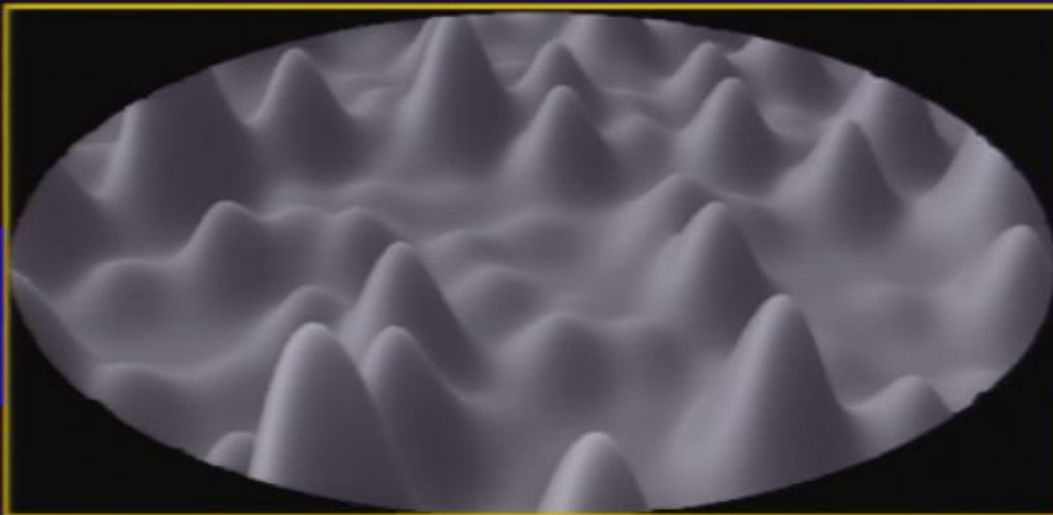


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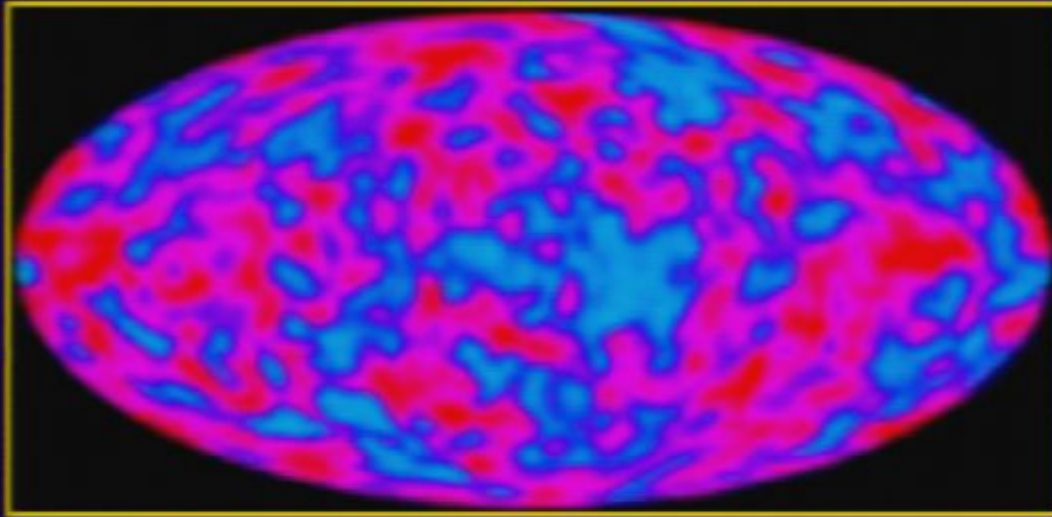


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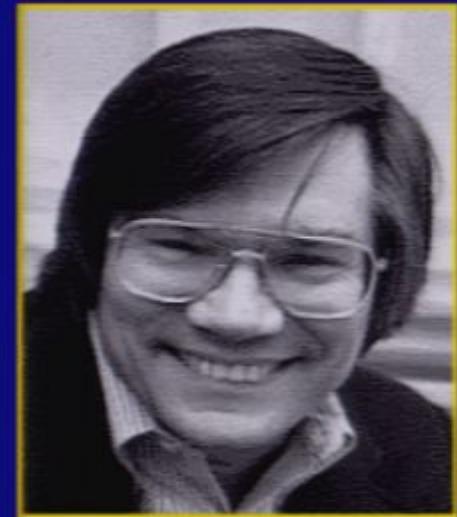
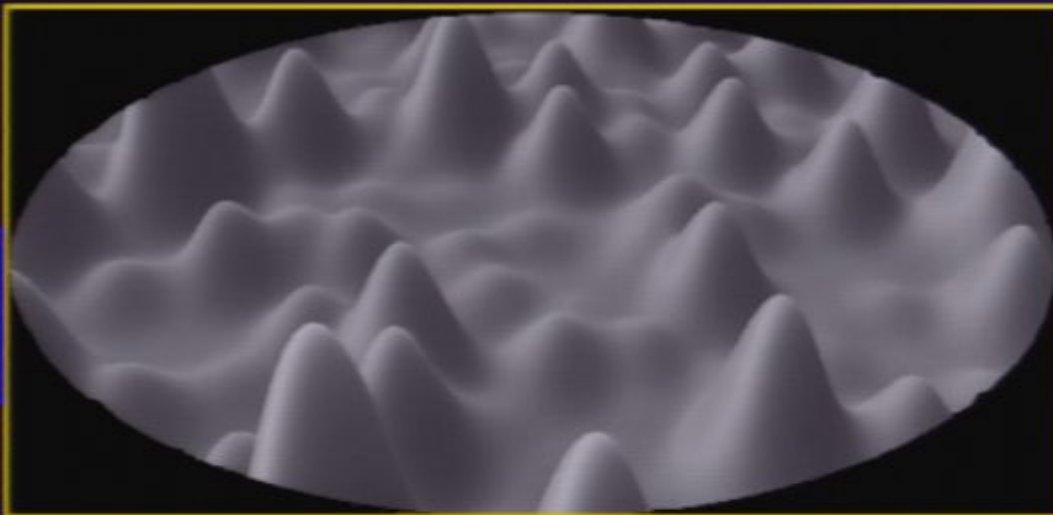
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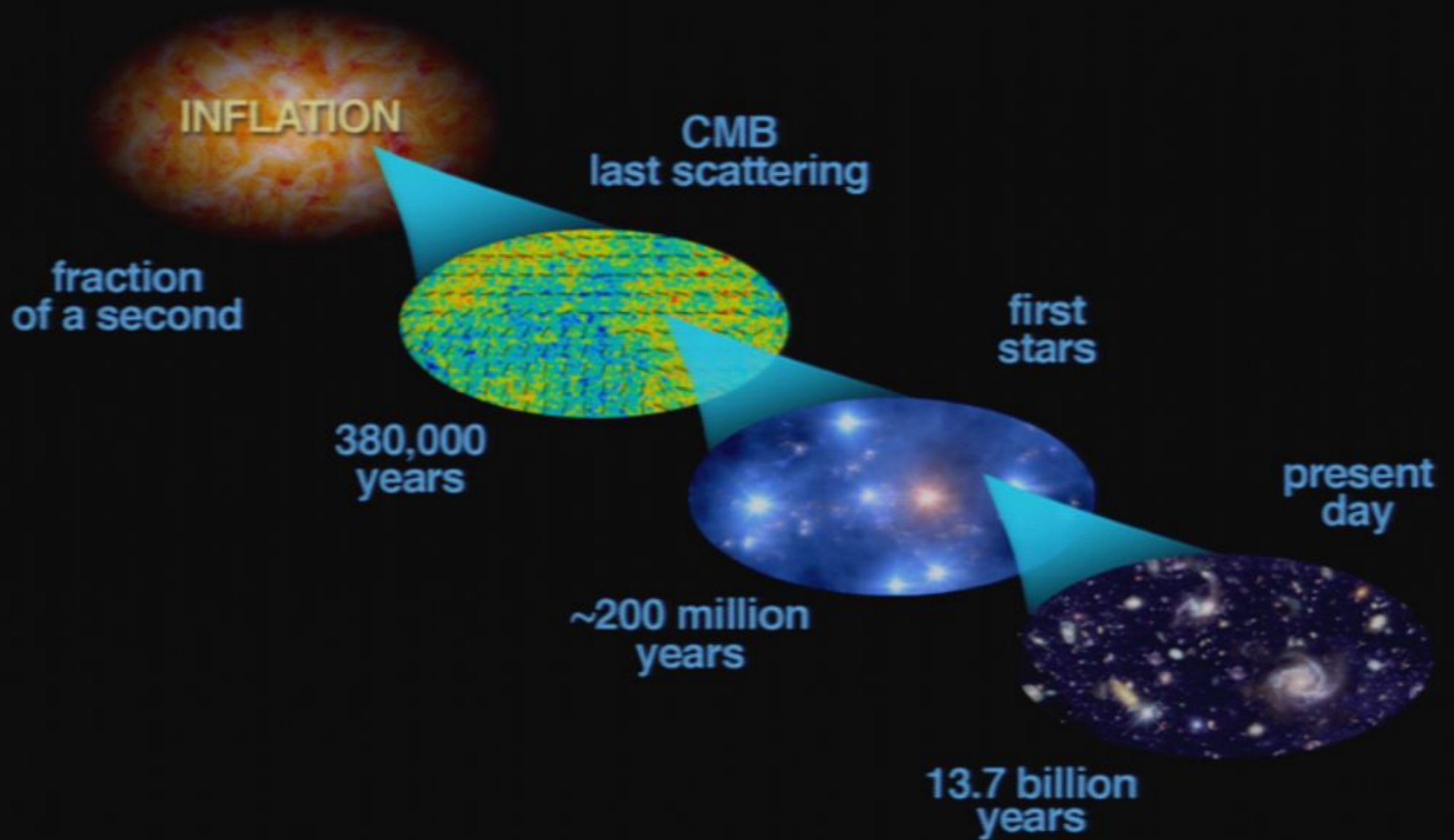
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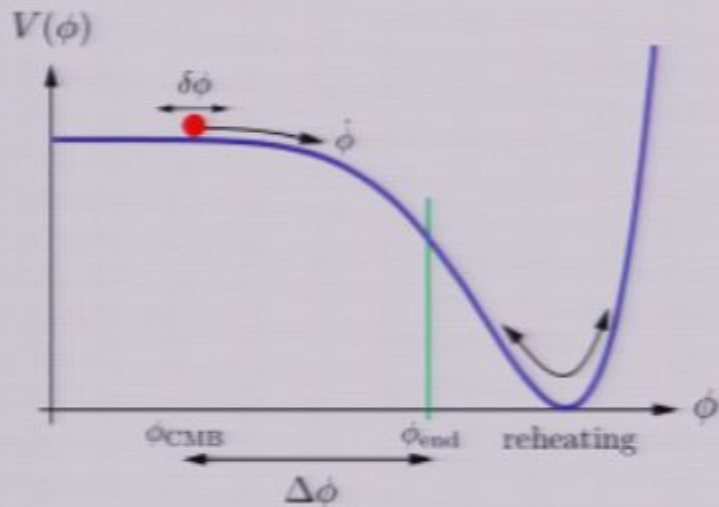


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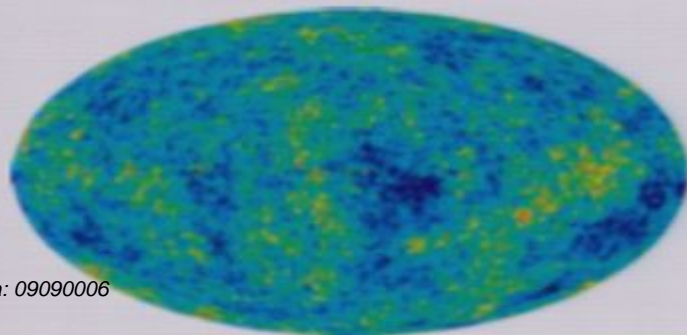


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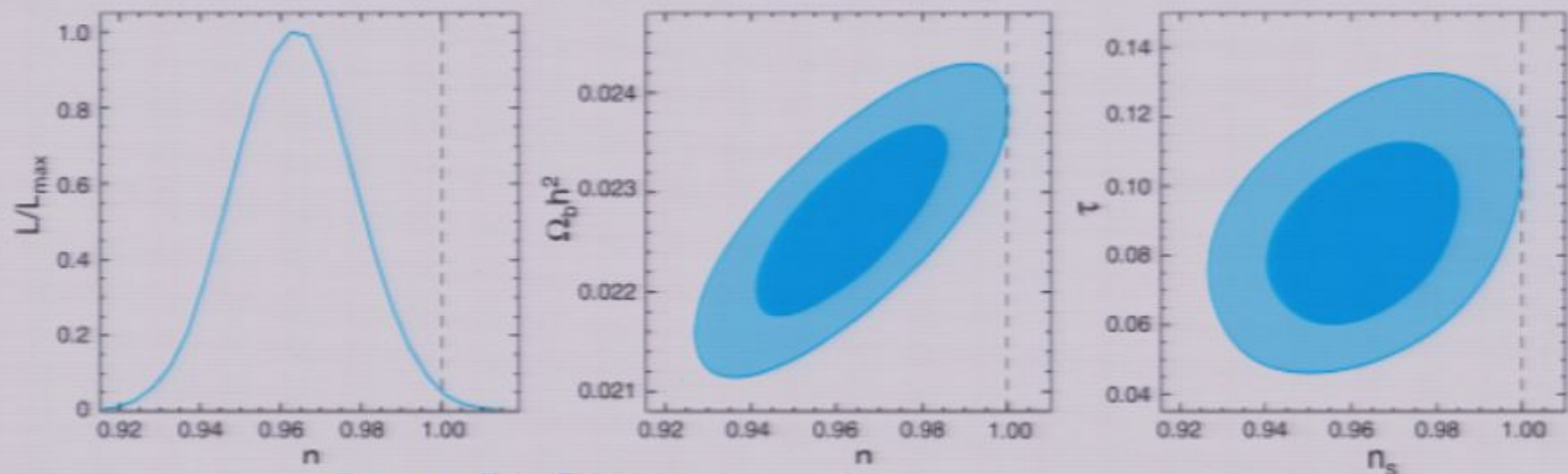
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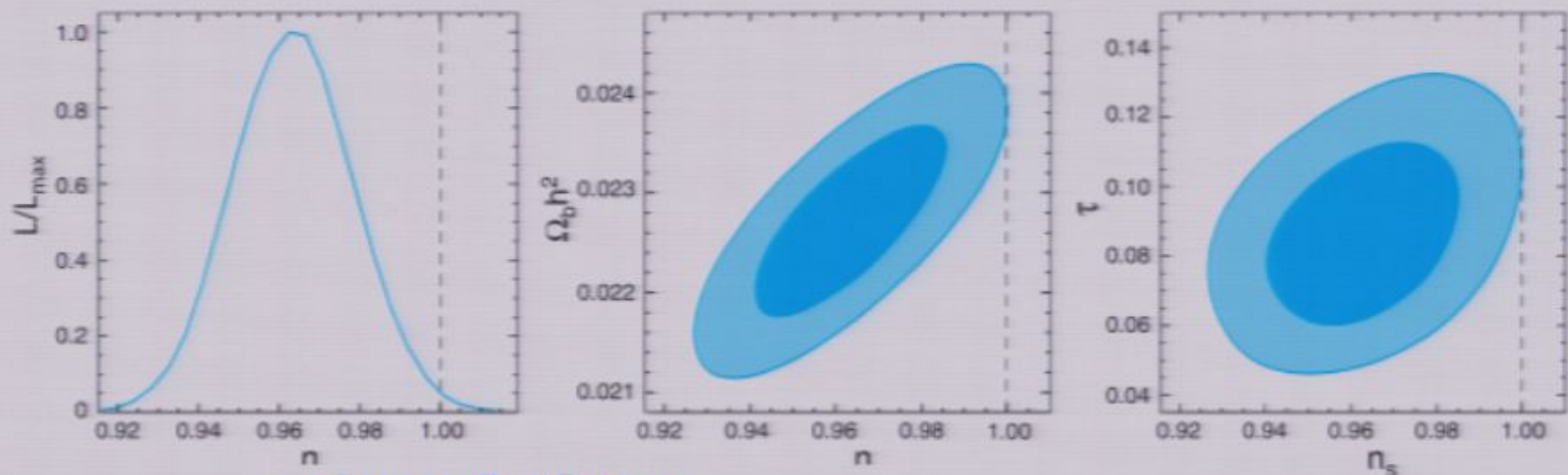
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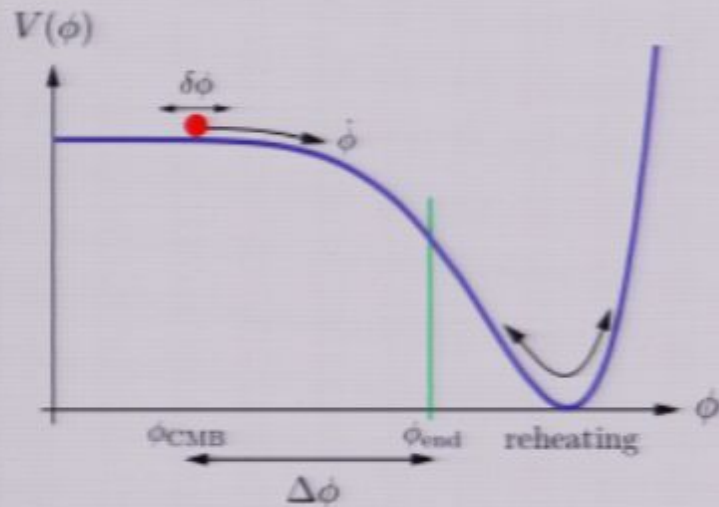
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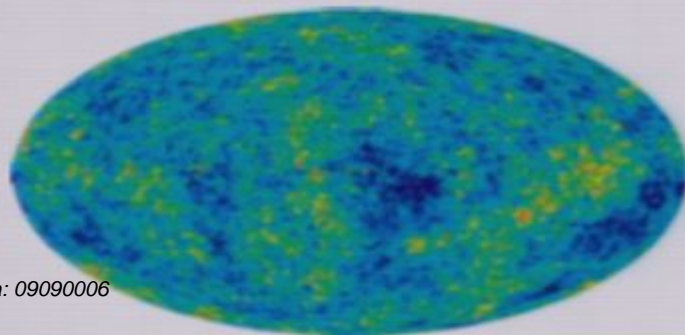


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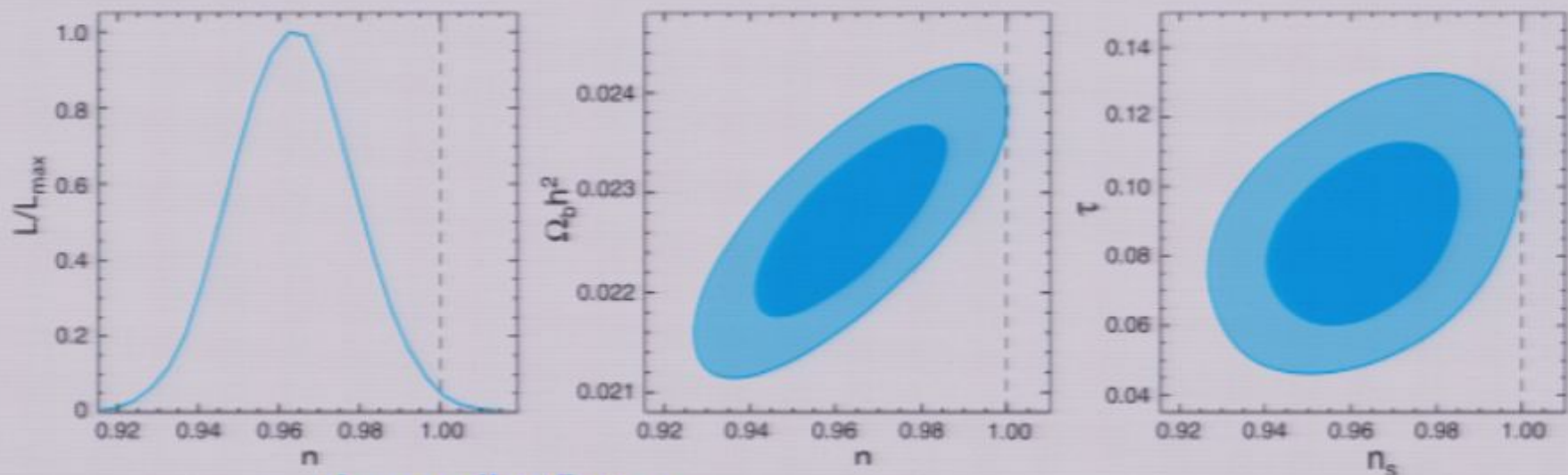
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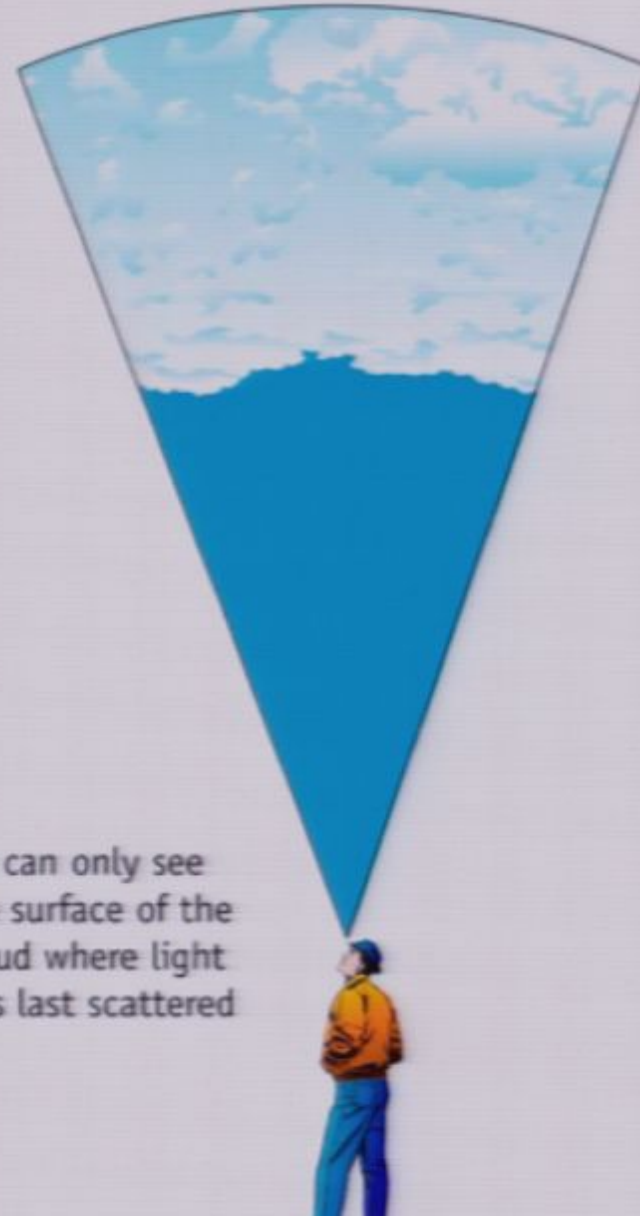
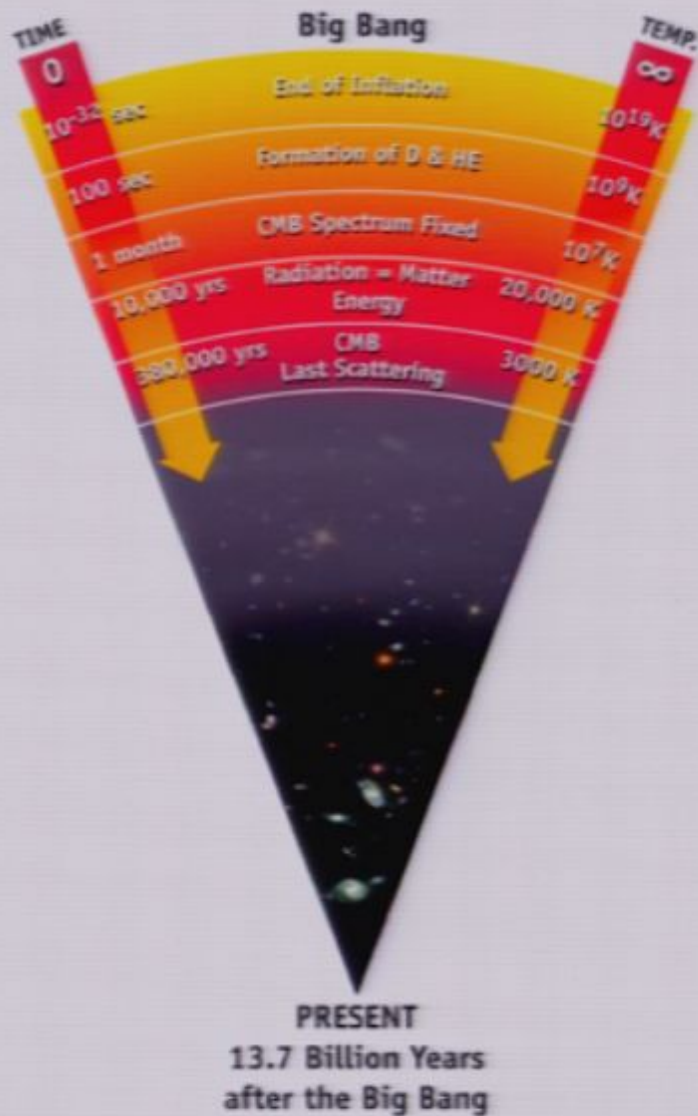
Energy Scale of Inflation

Tensors measure the energy scale of inflation

$$E_{\text{inf}} \equiv V^{1/4} = 10^{16} \text{GeV} \left(\frac{r}{0.01} \right)^{1/4}$$

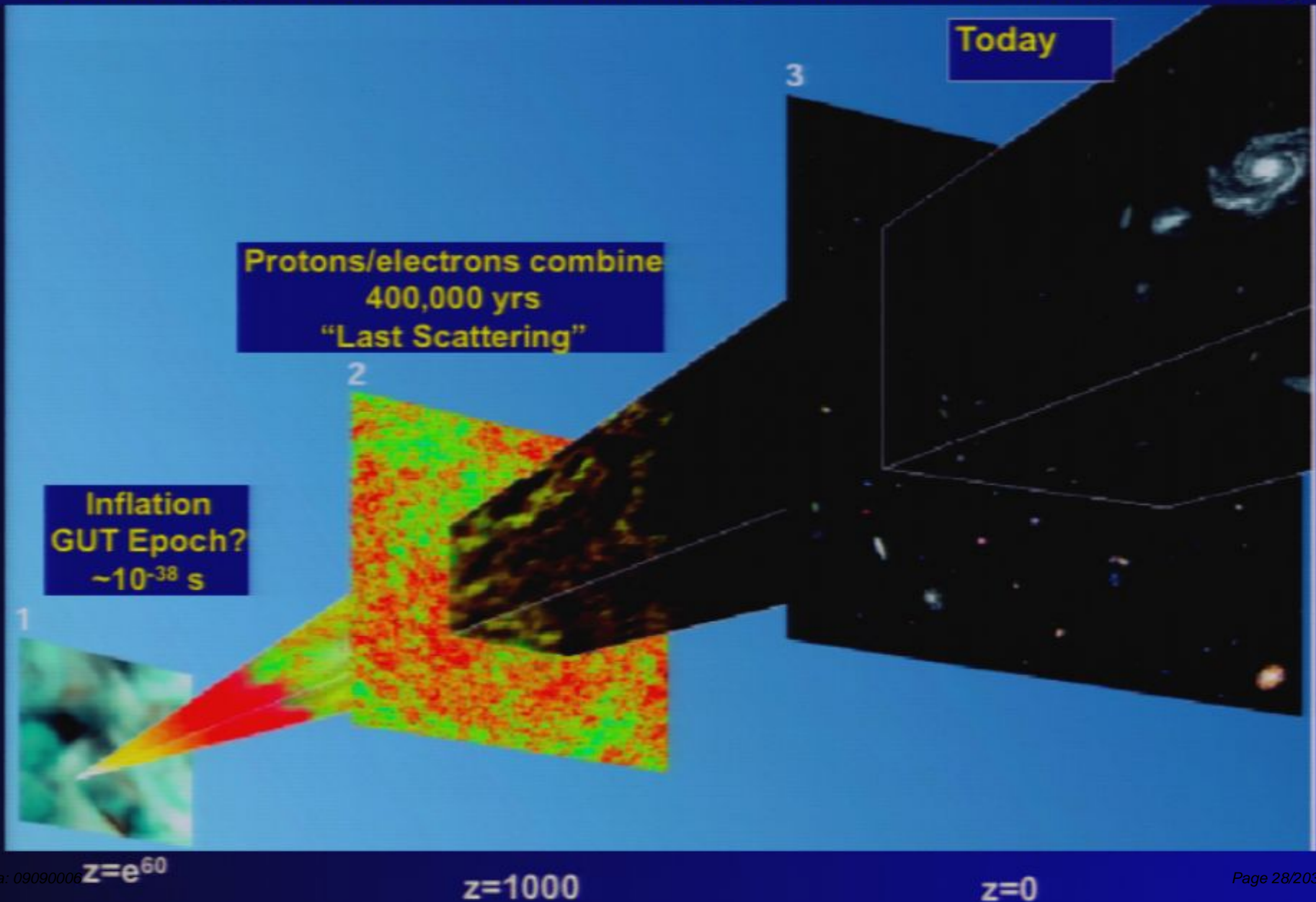
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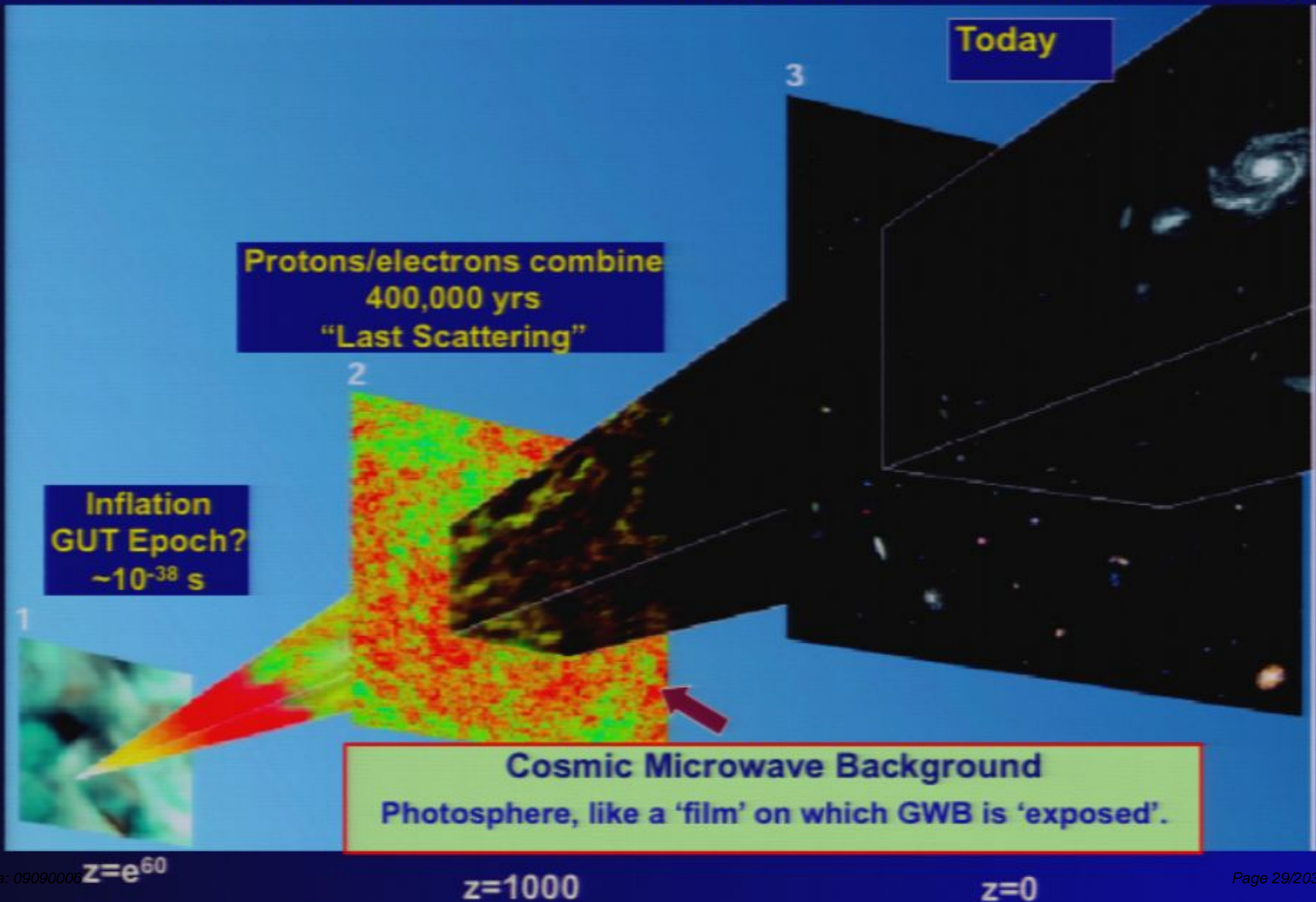
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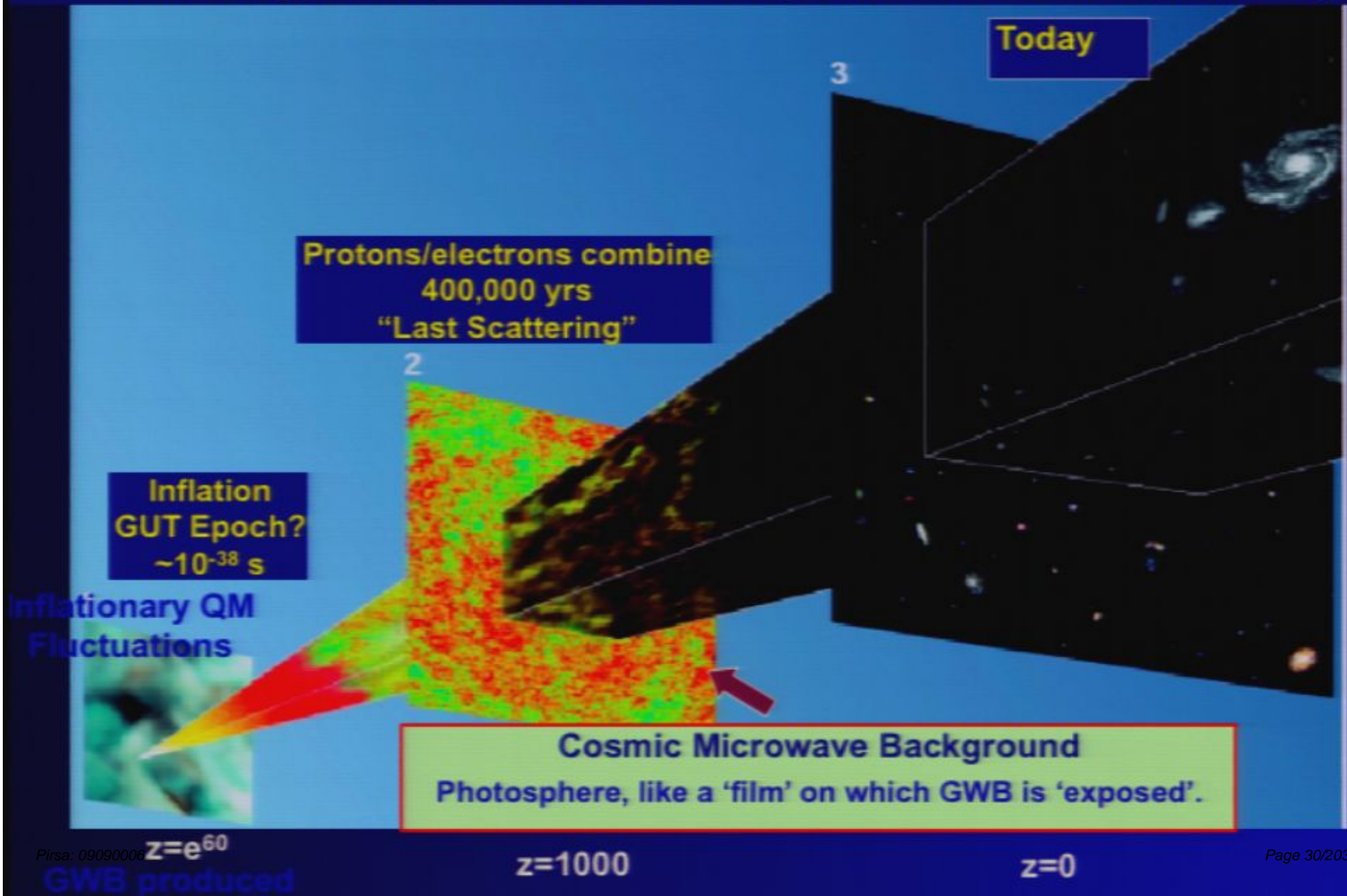
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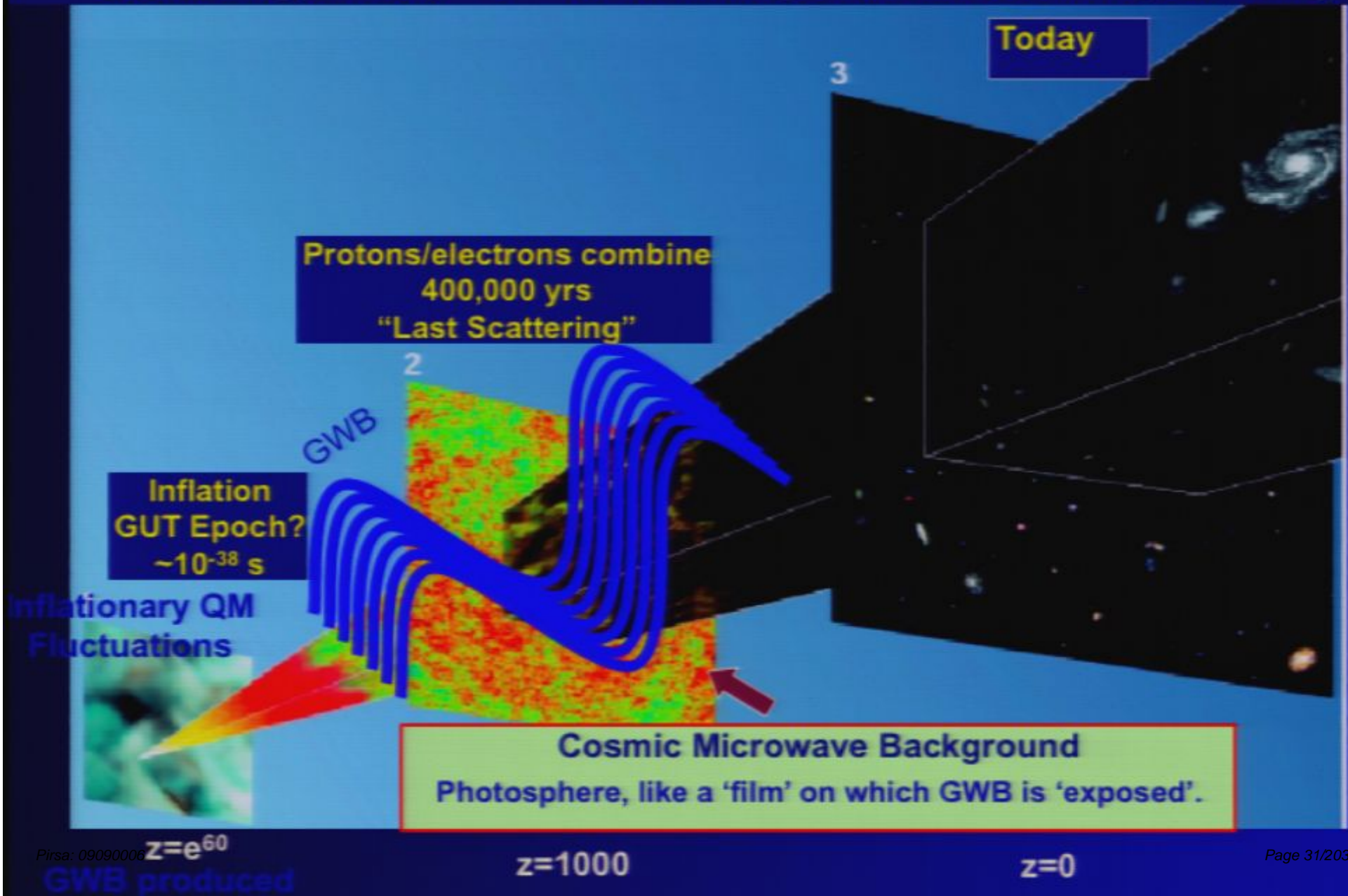
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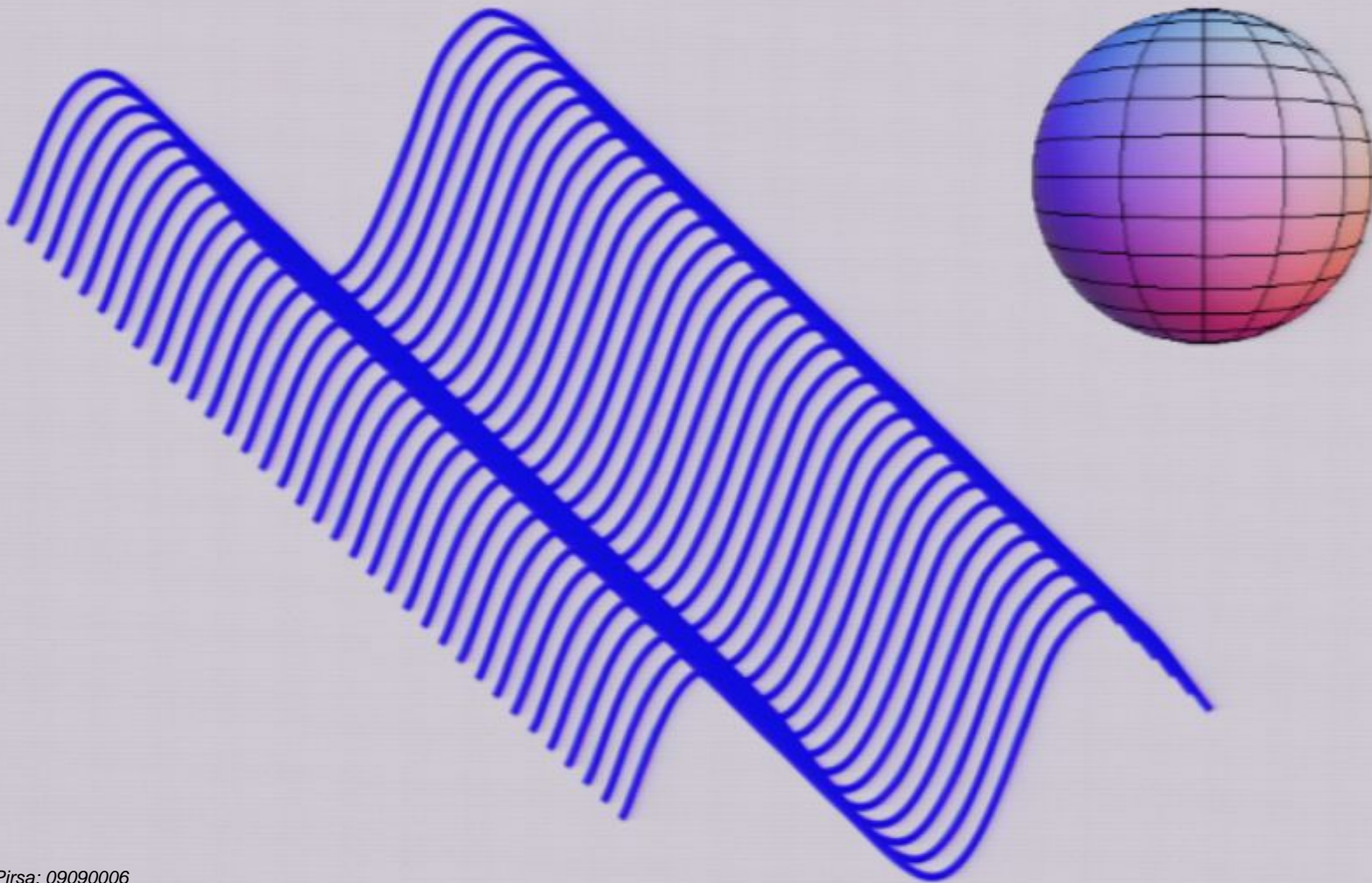


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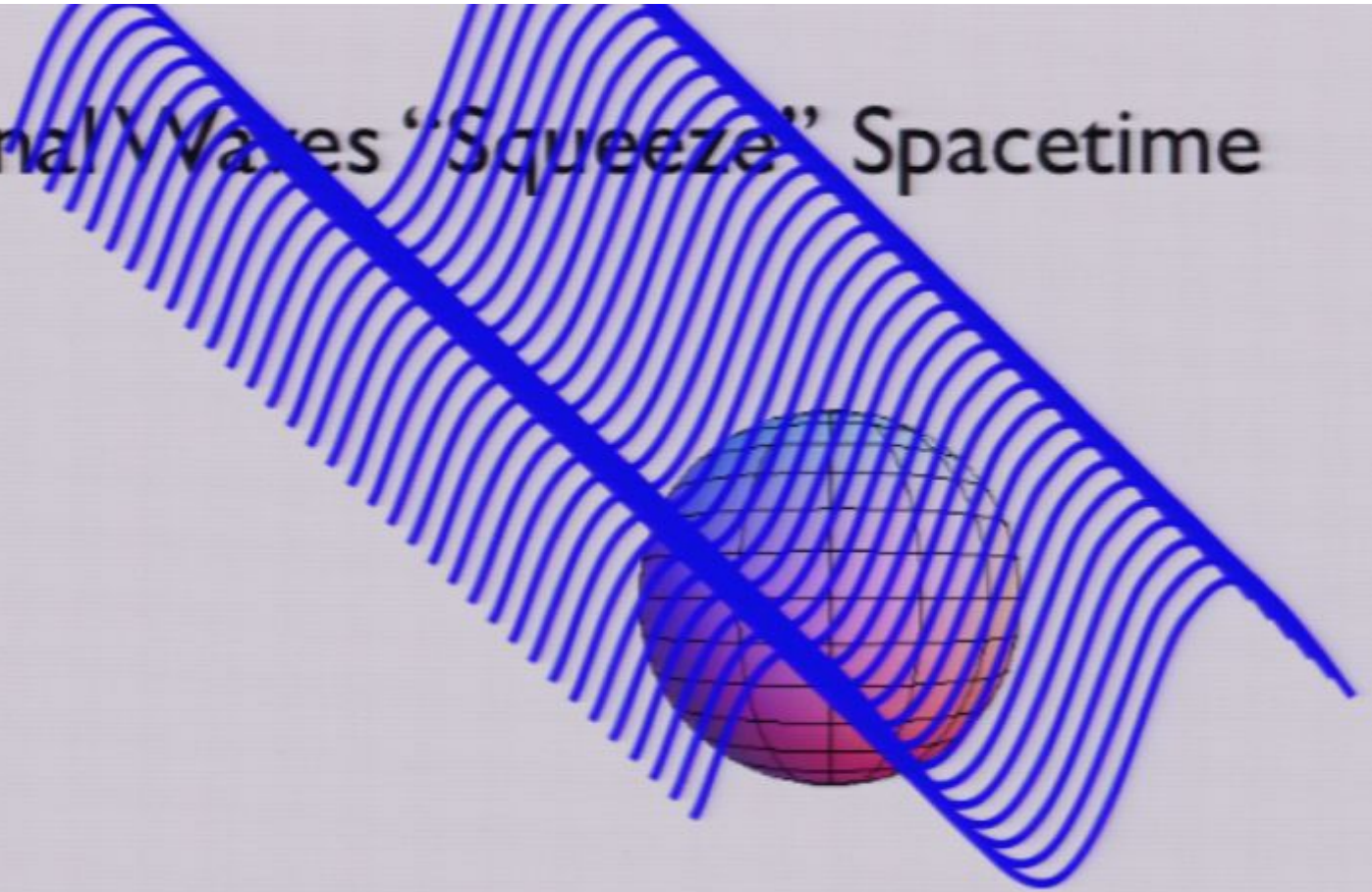
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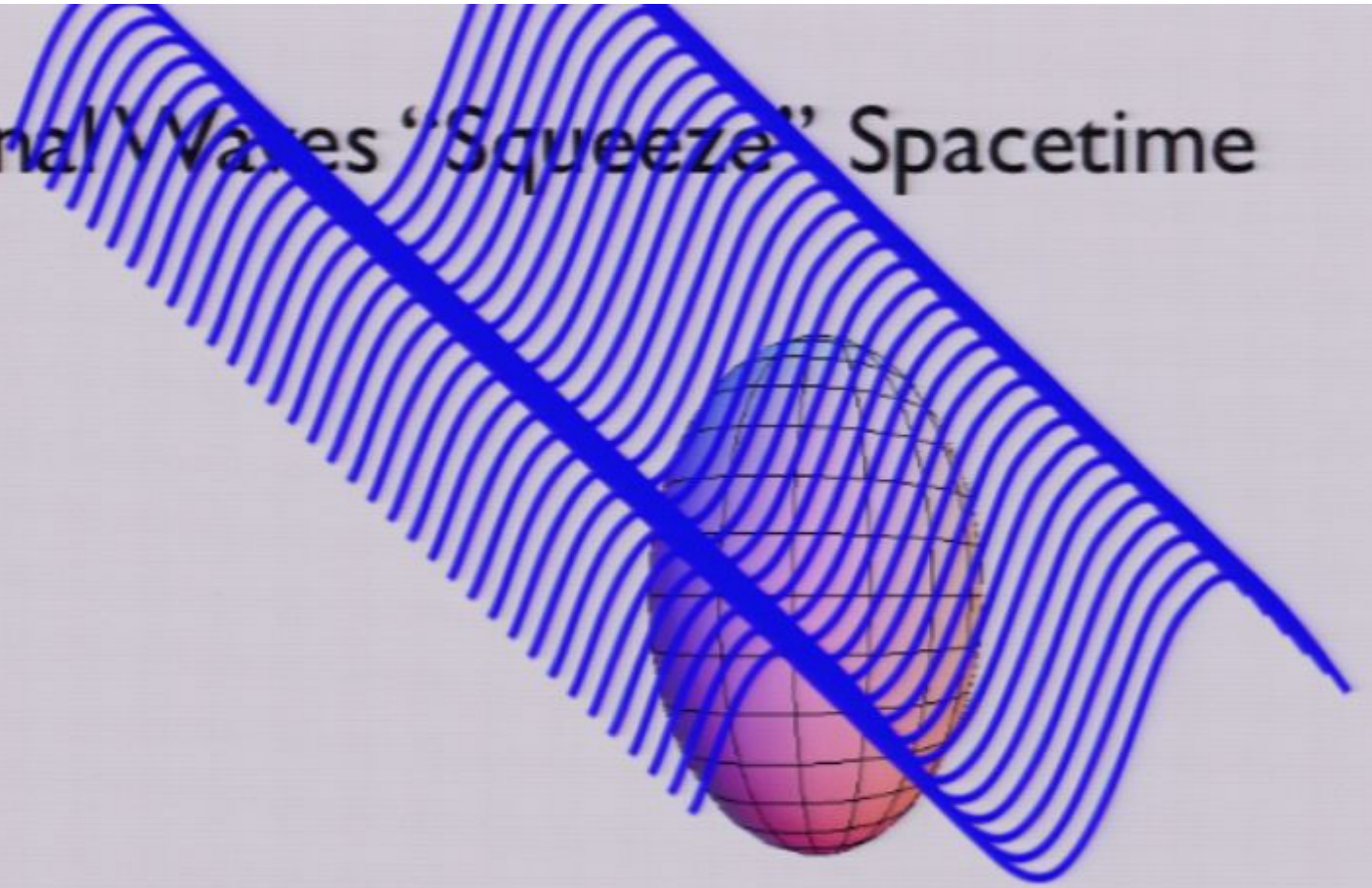
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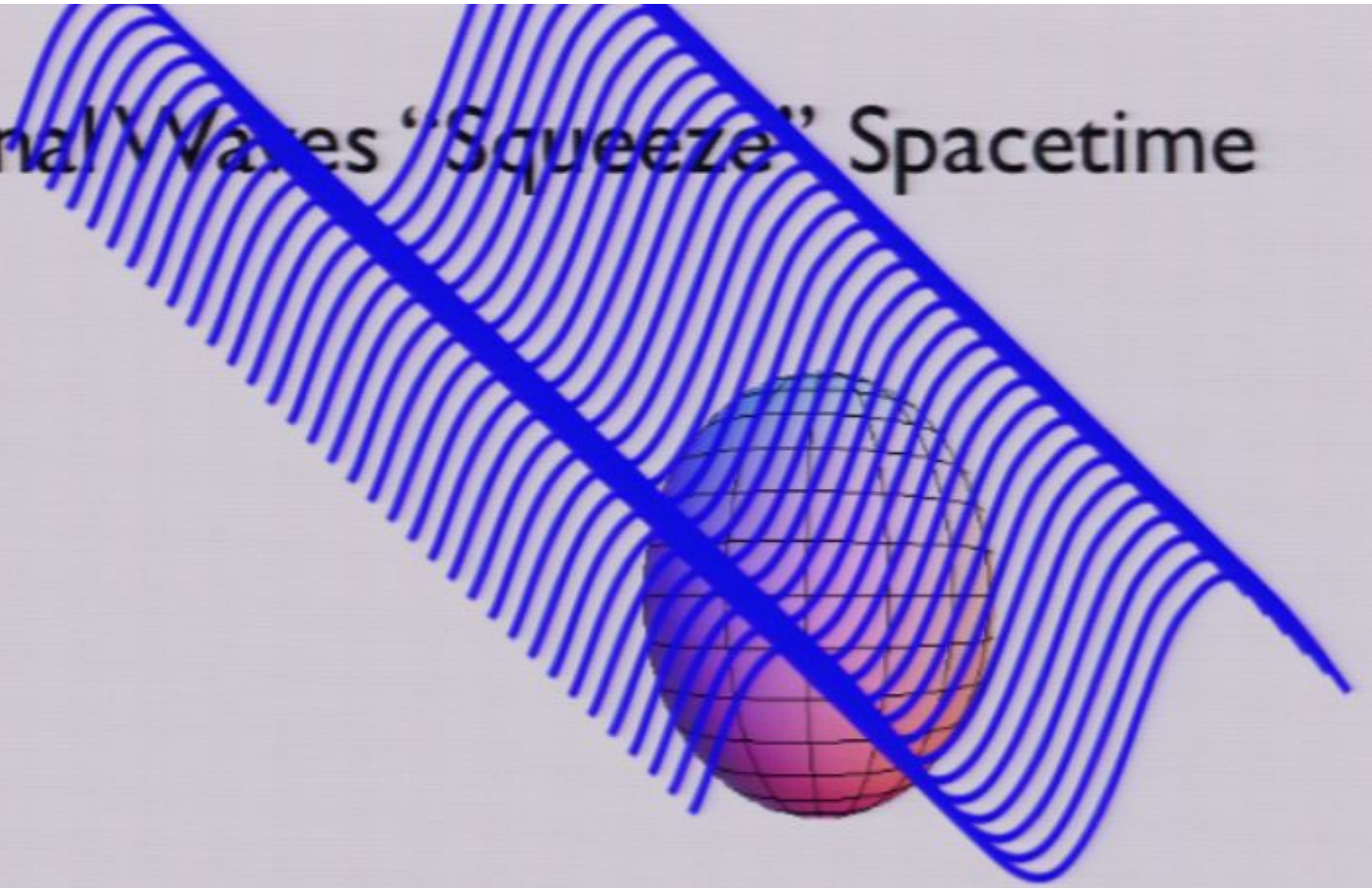
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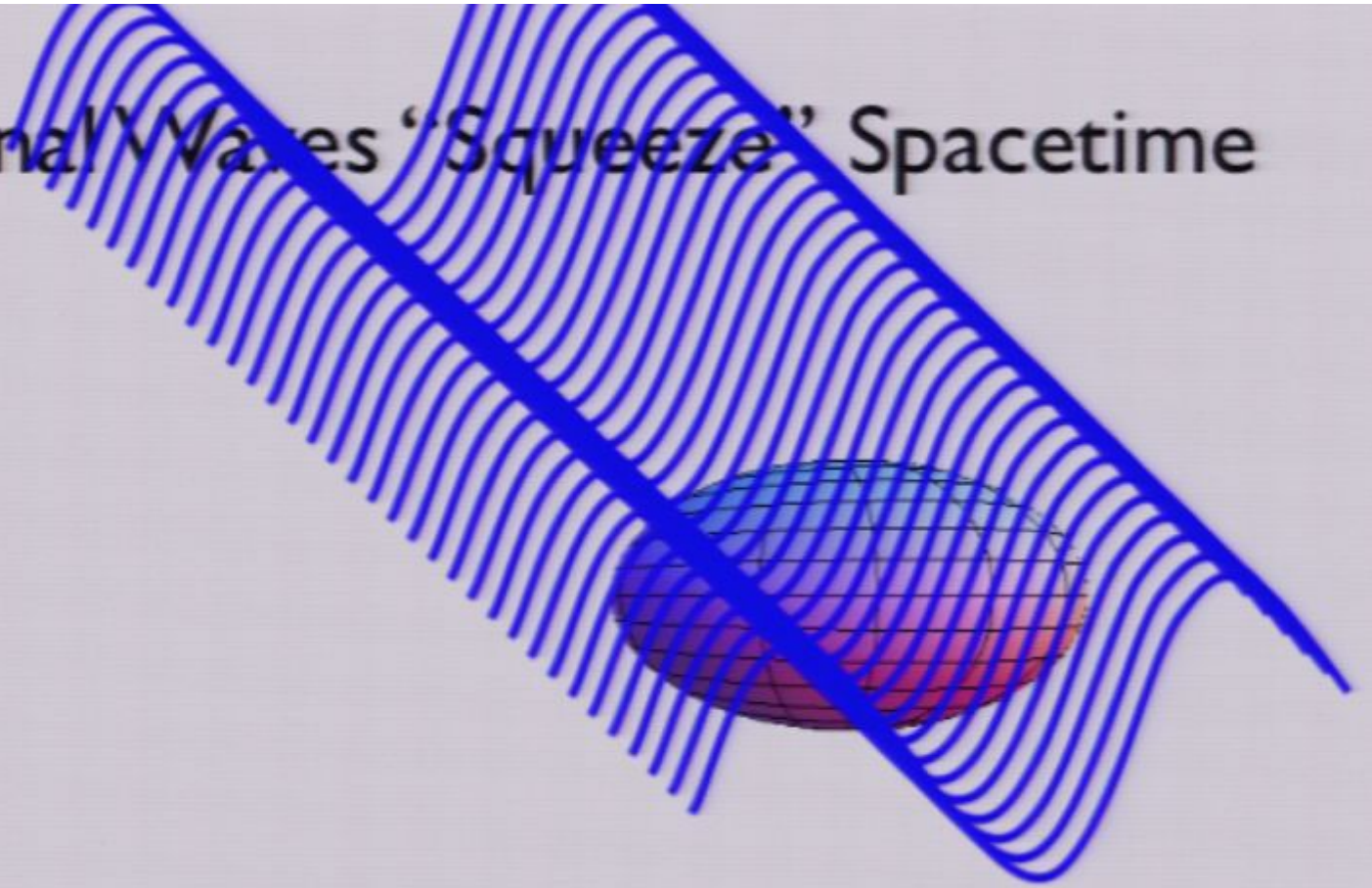
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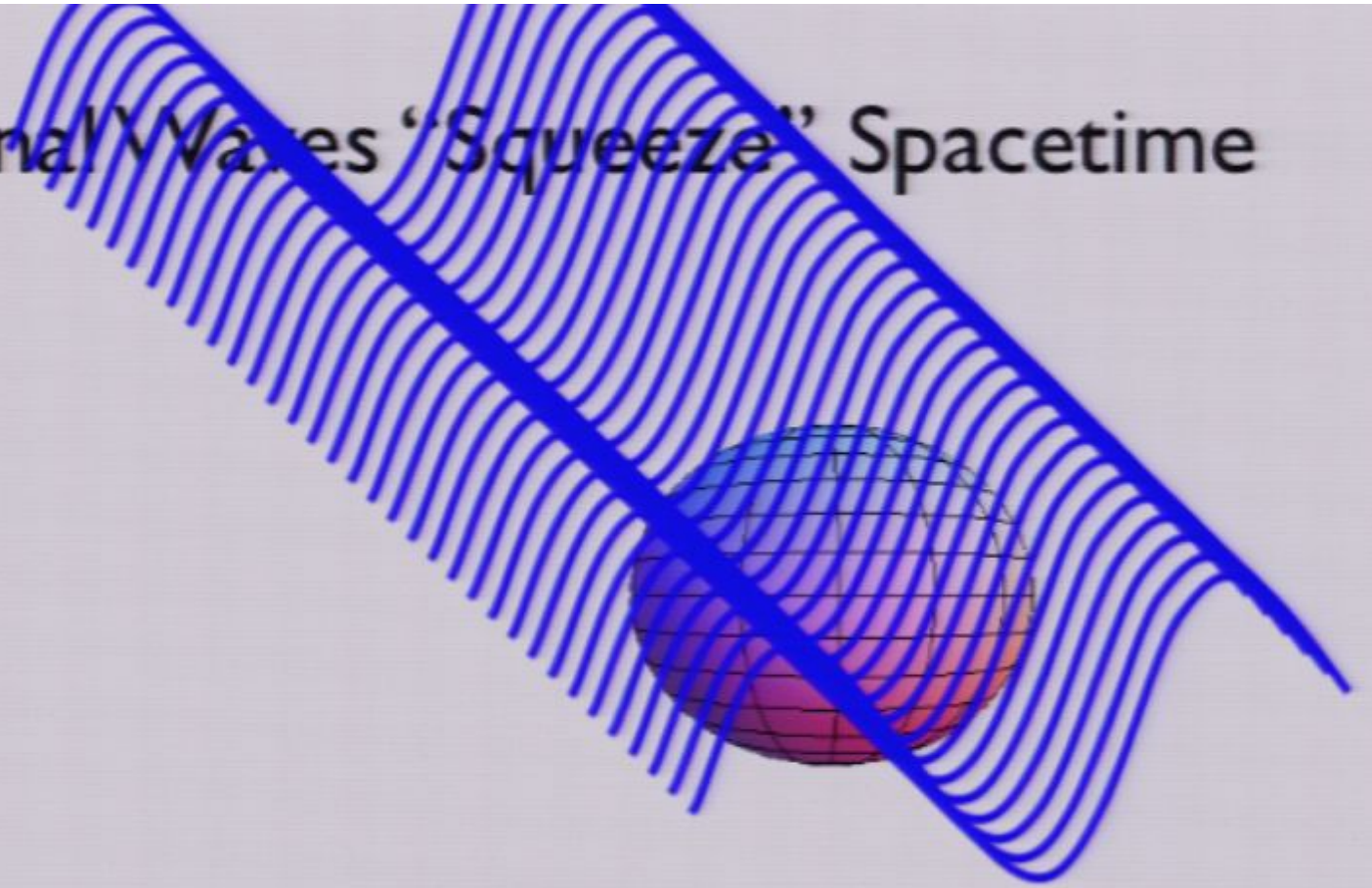
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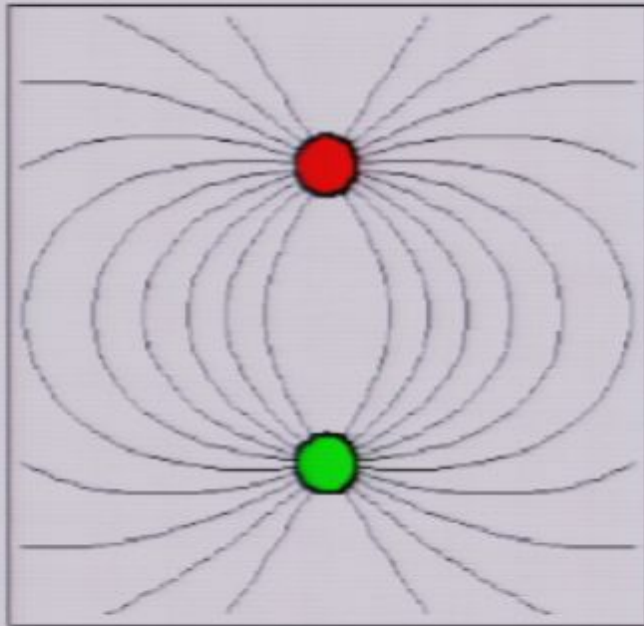


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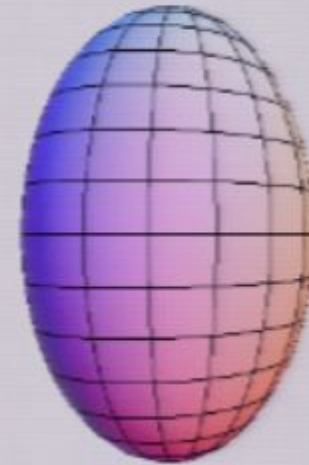


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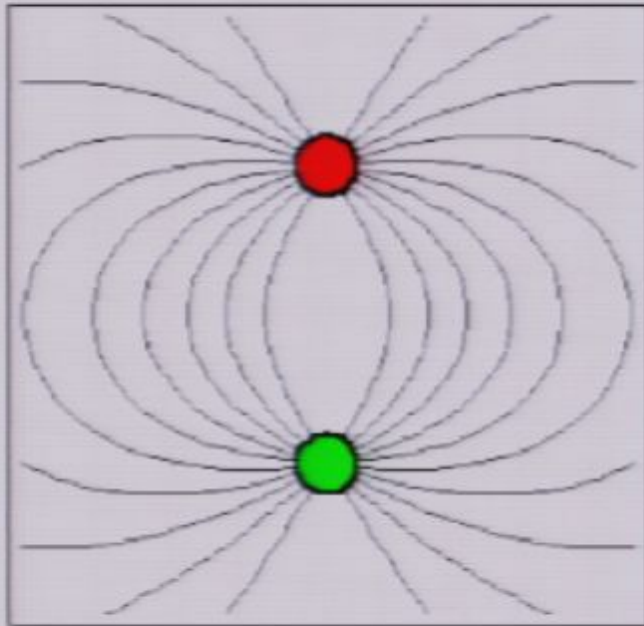


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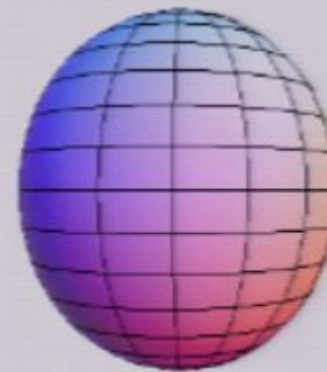
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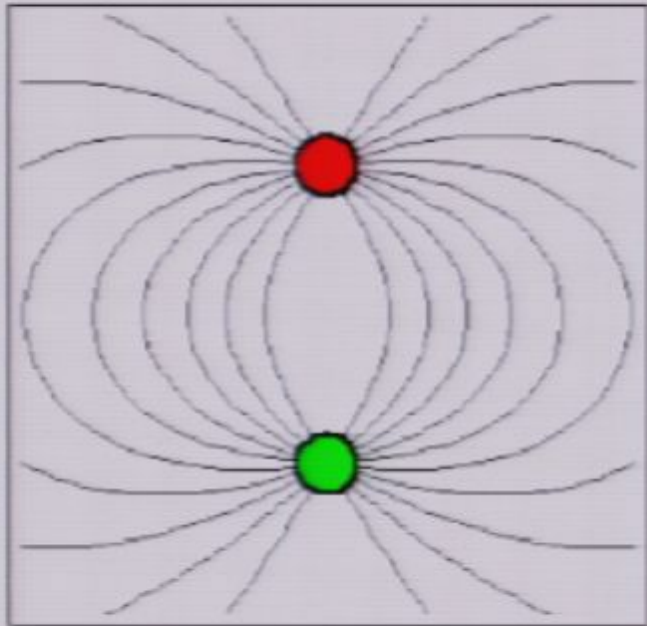


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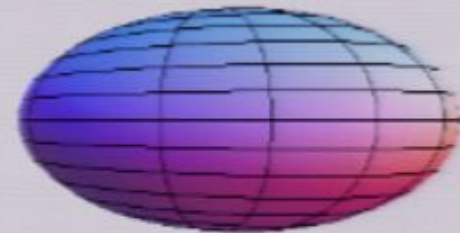
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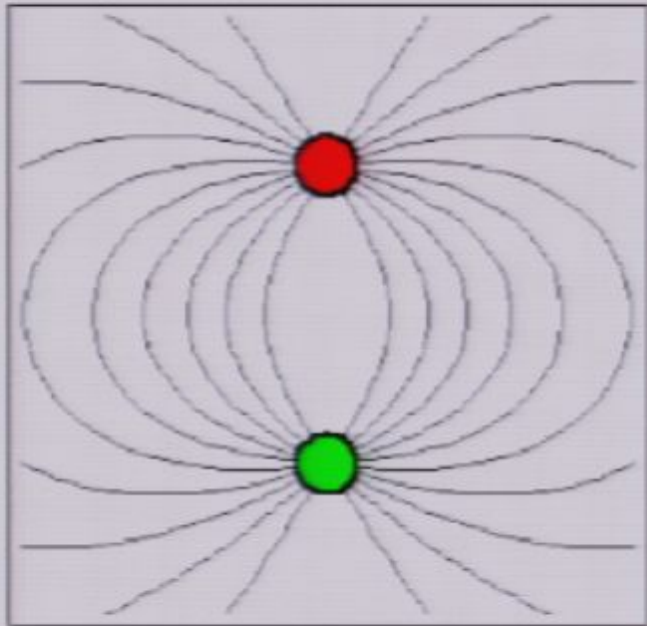


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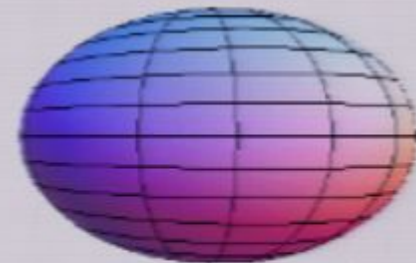
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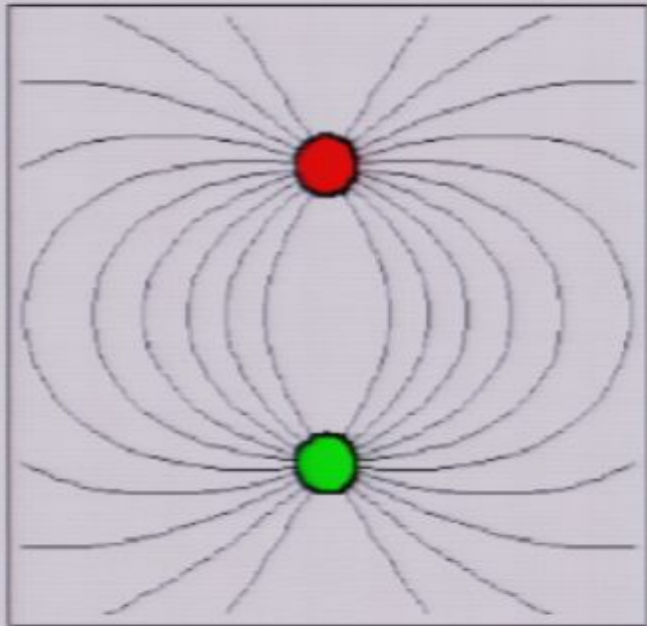


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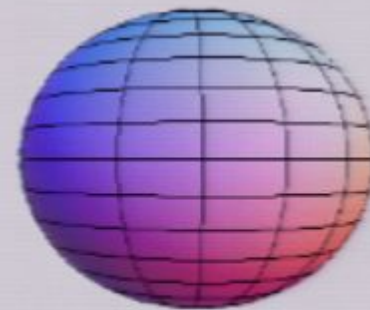
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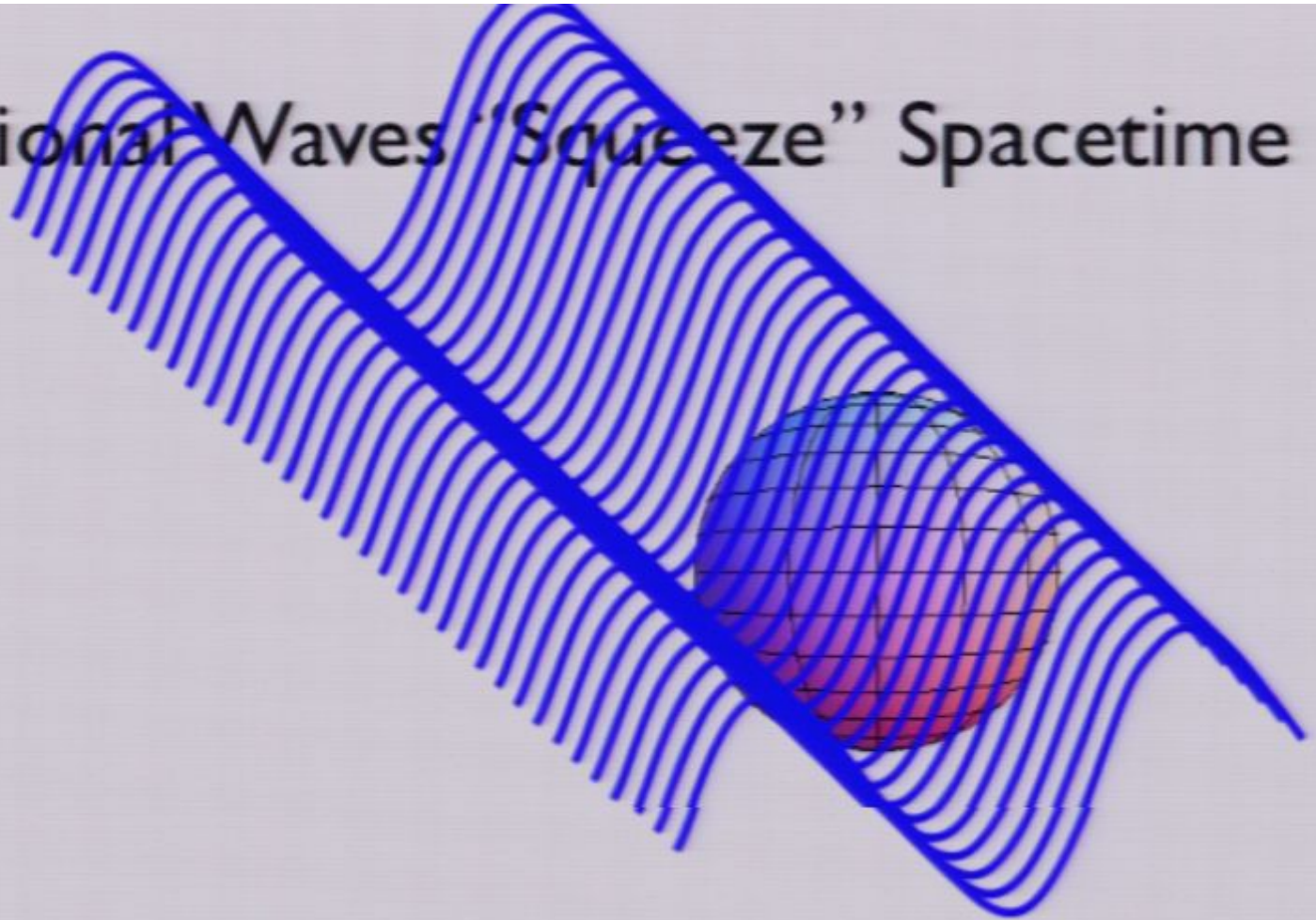
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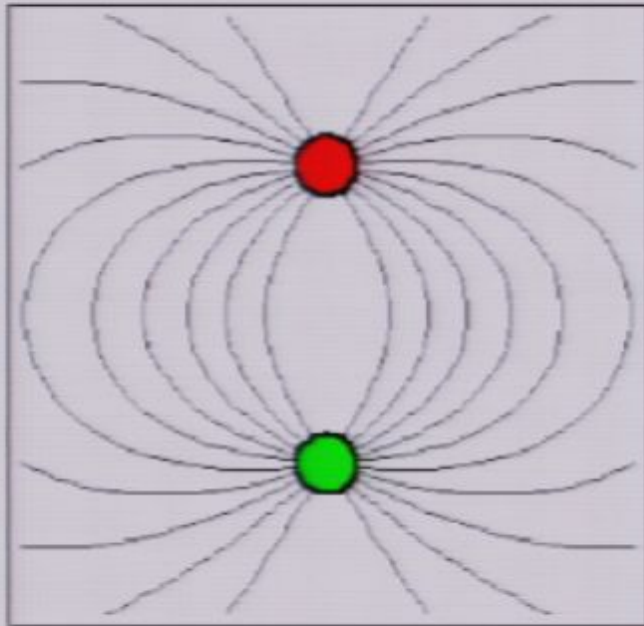
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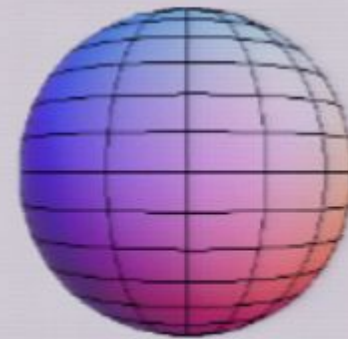


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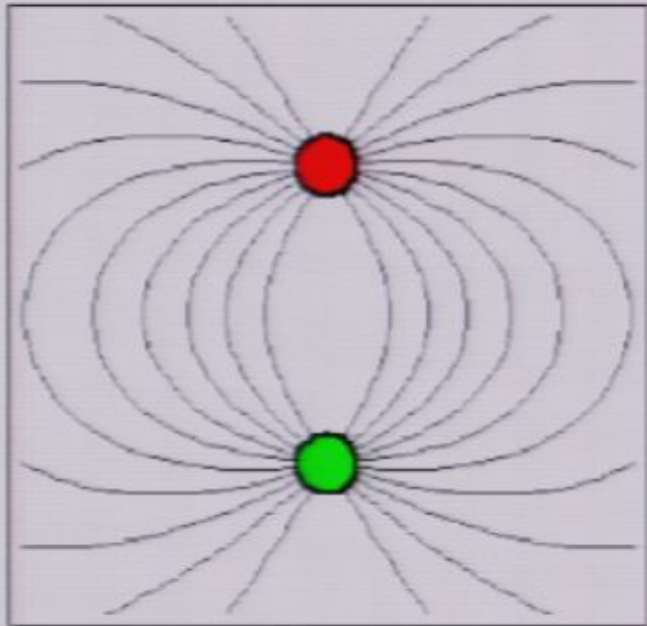


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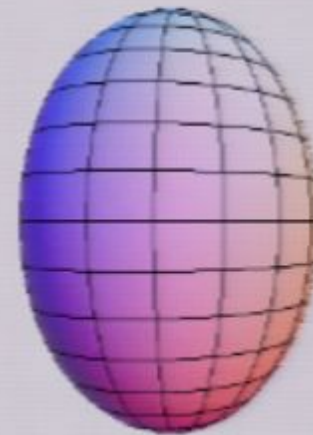
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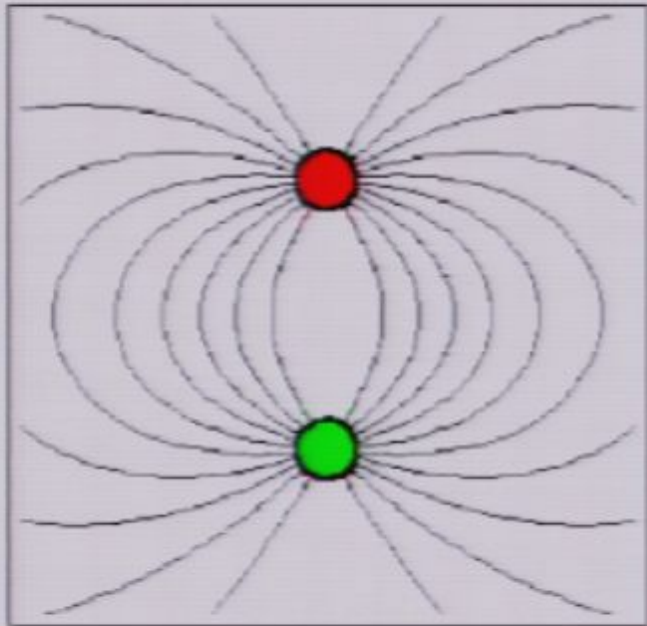


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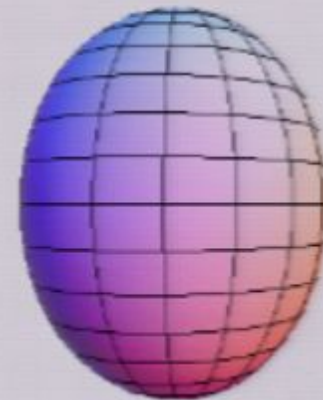
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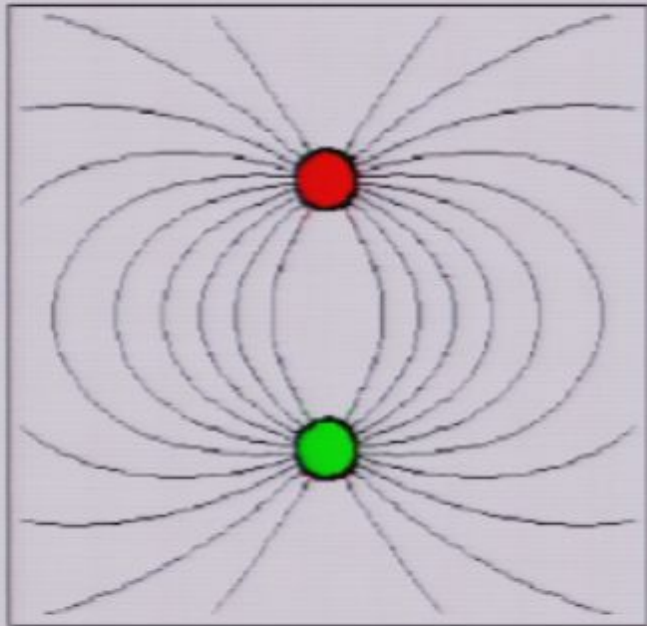


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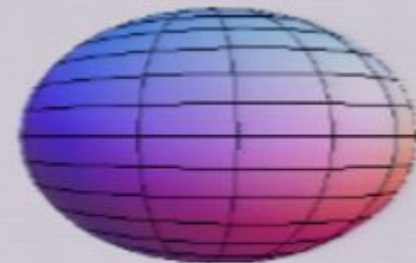
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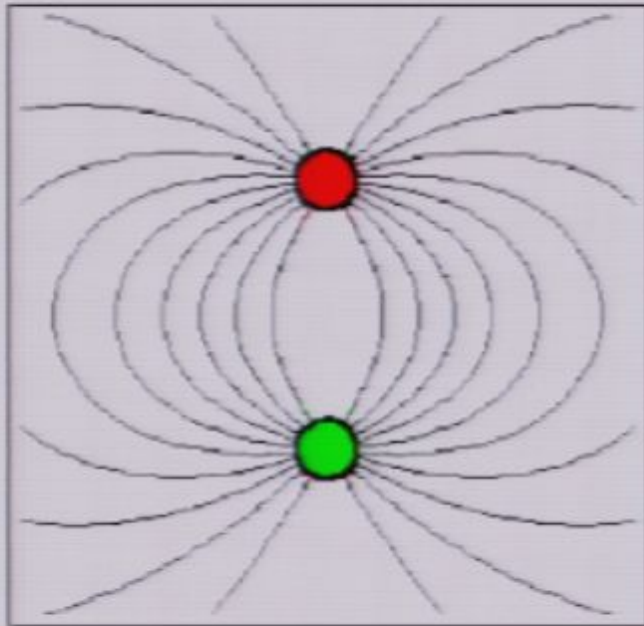


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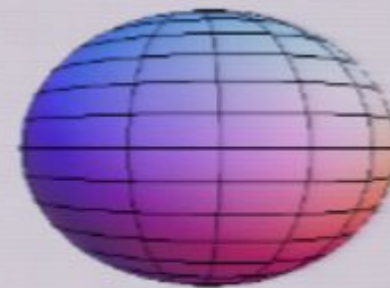
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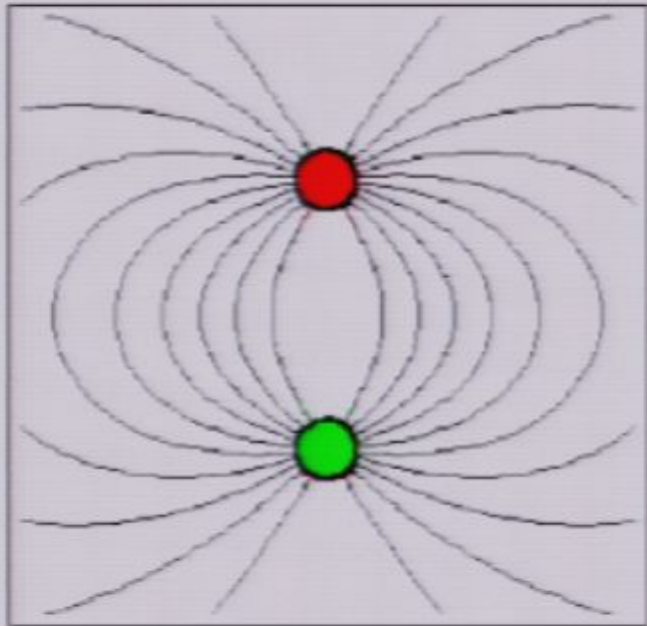


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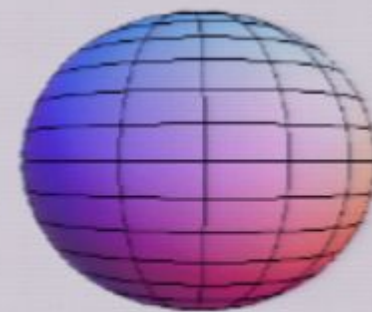
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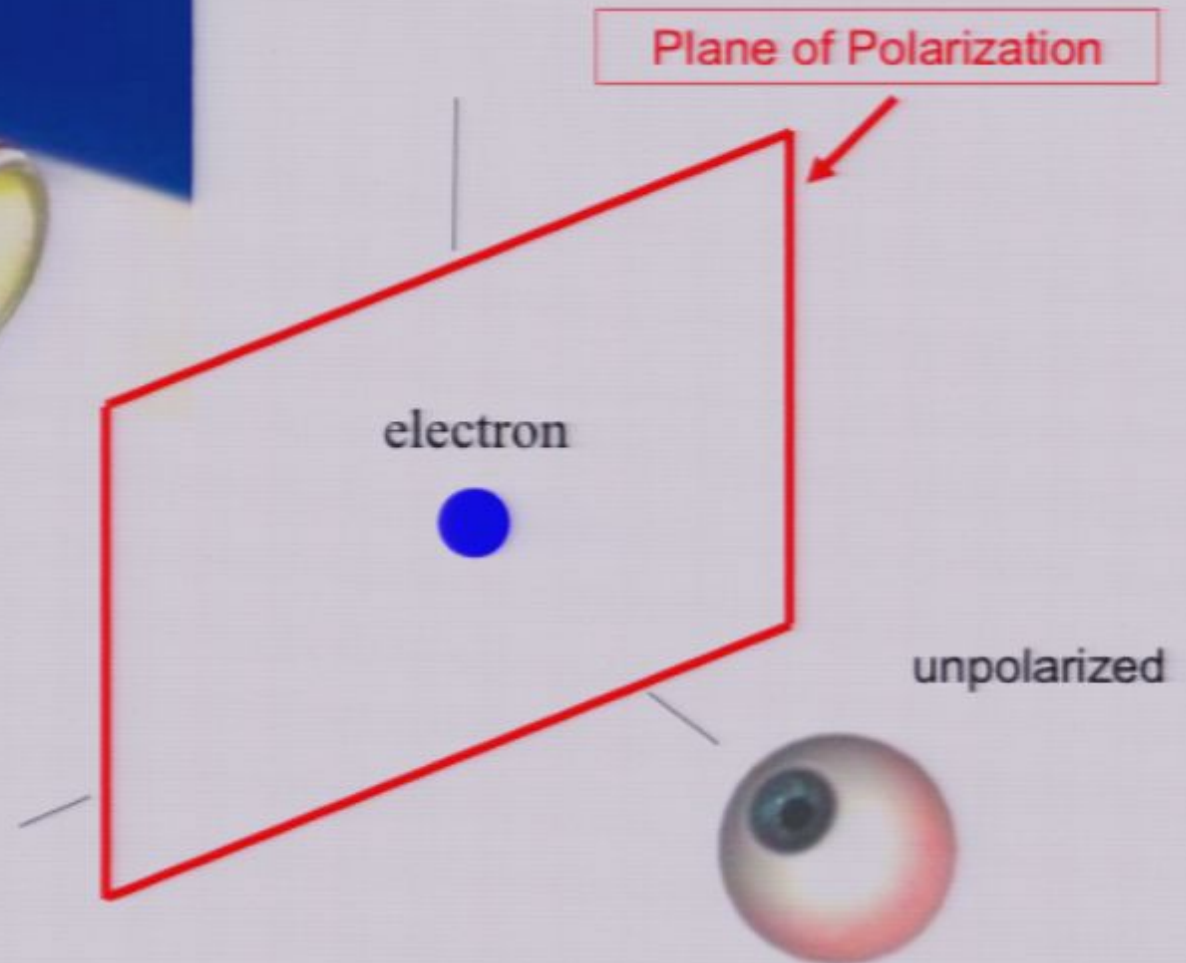
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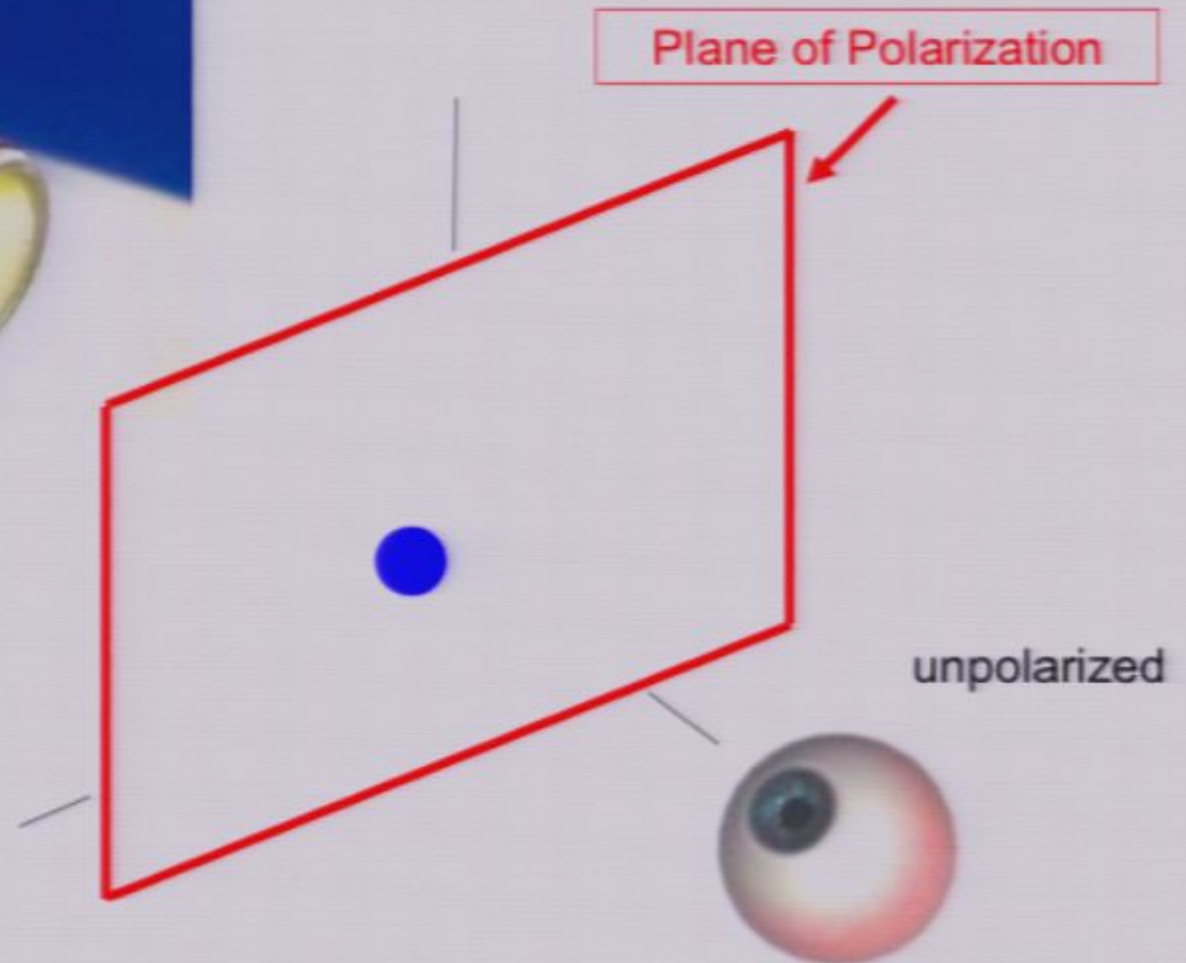
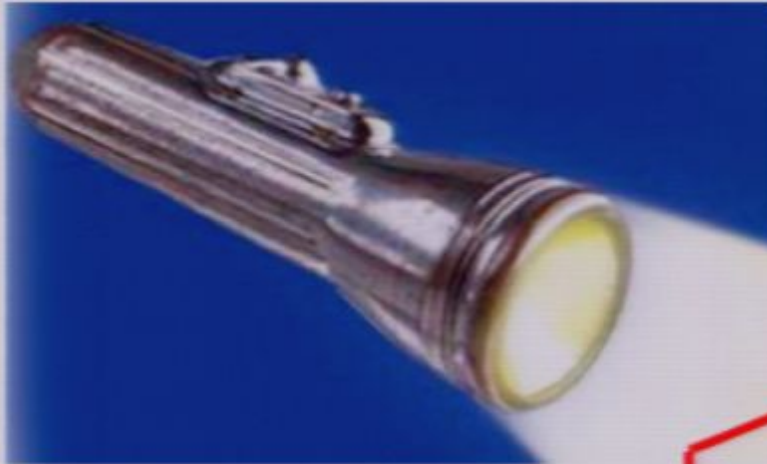
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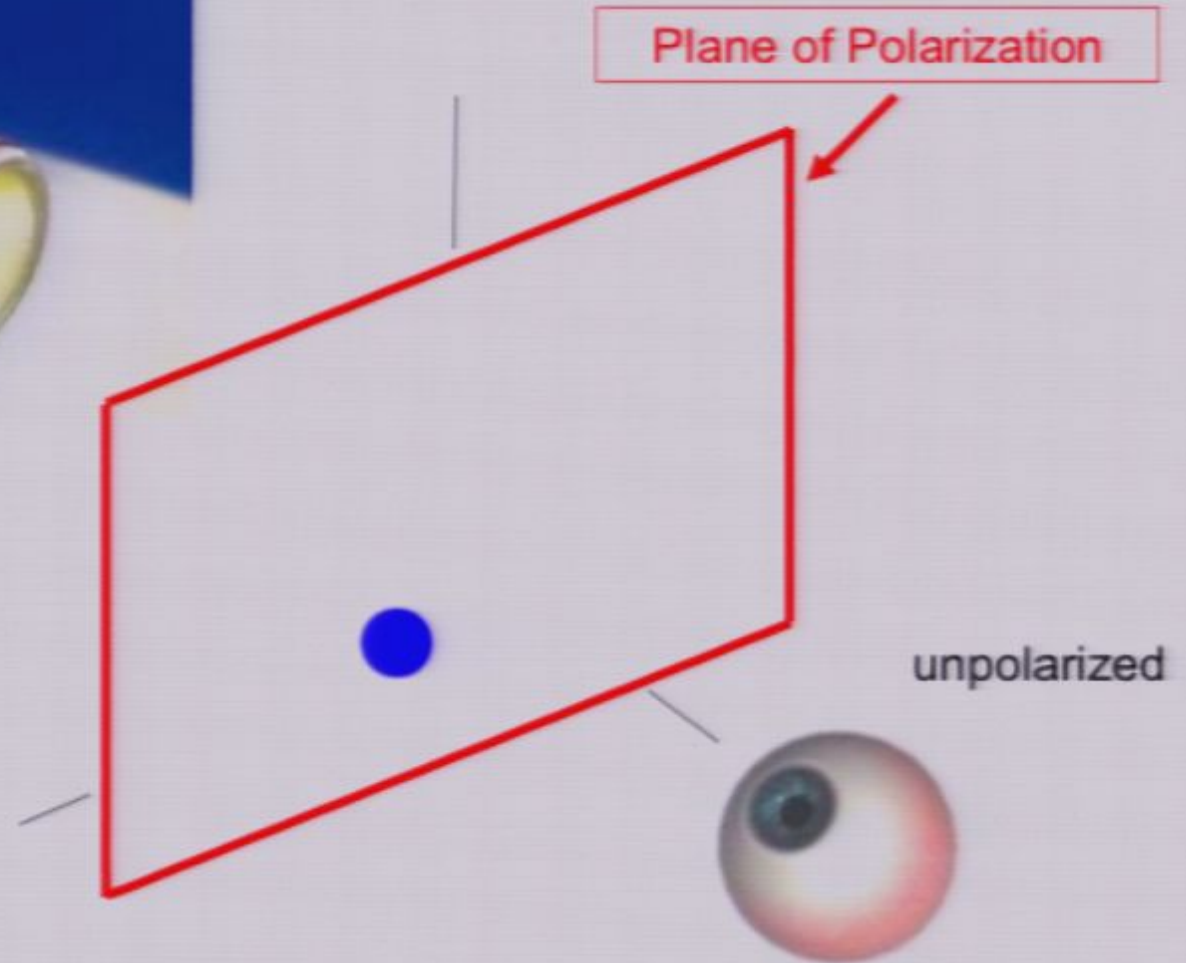
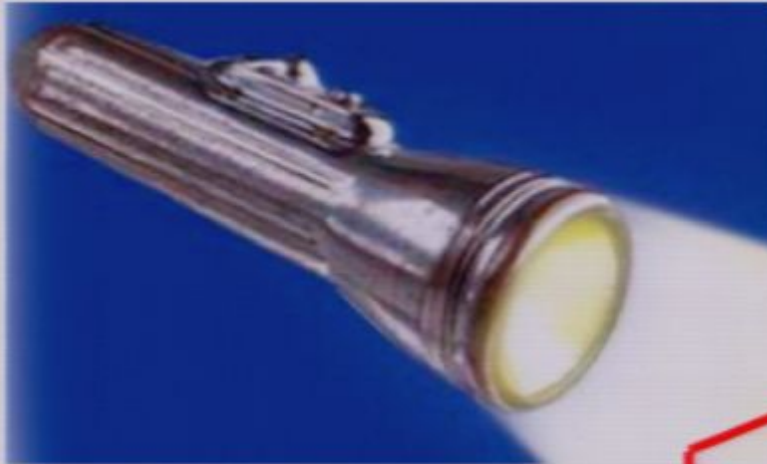
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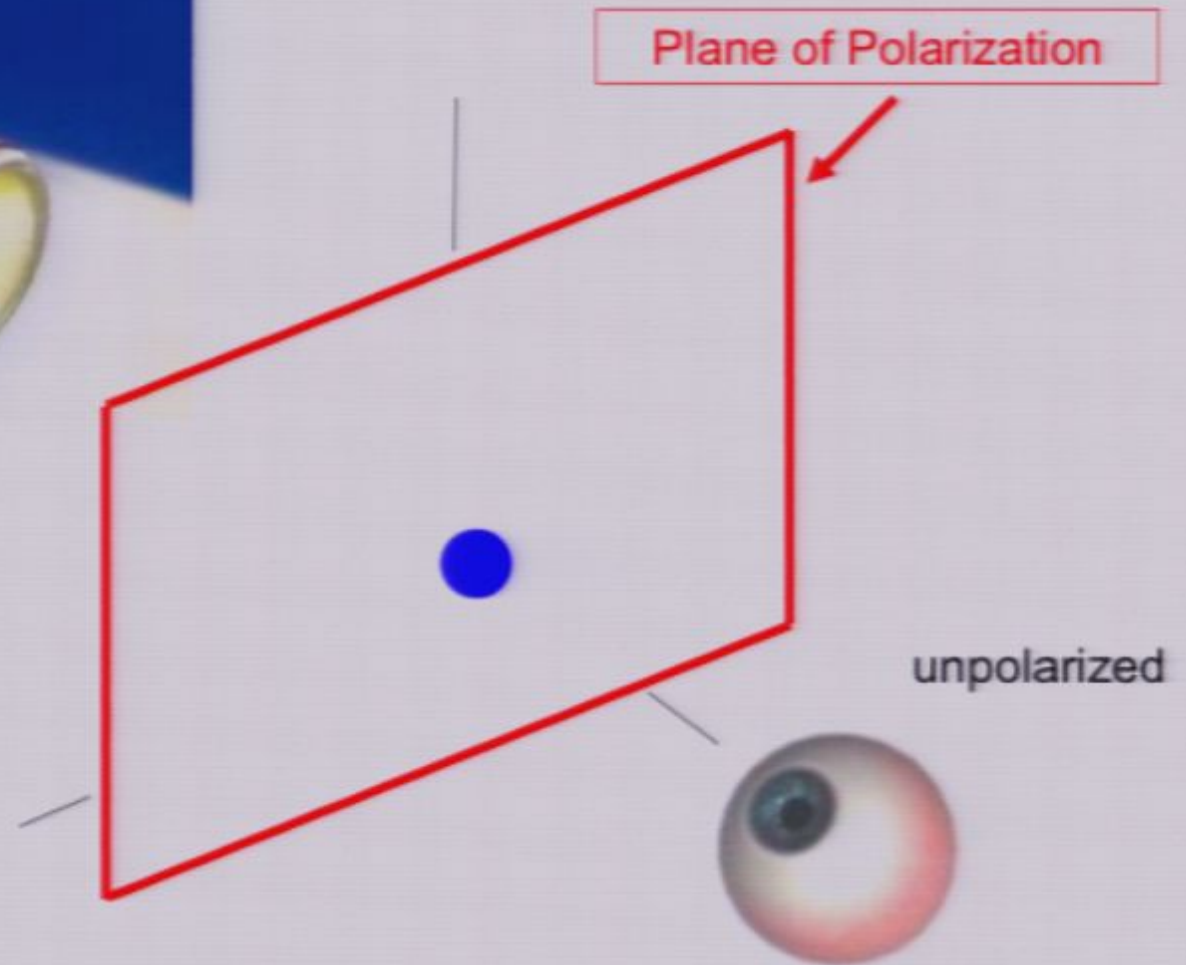
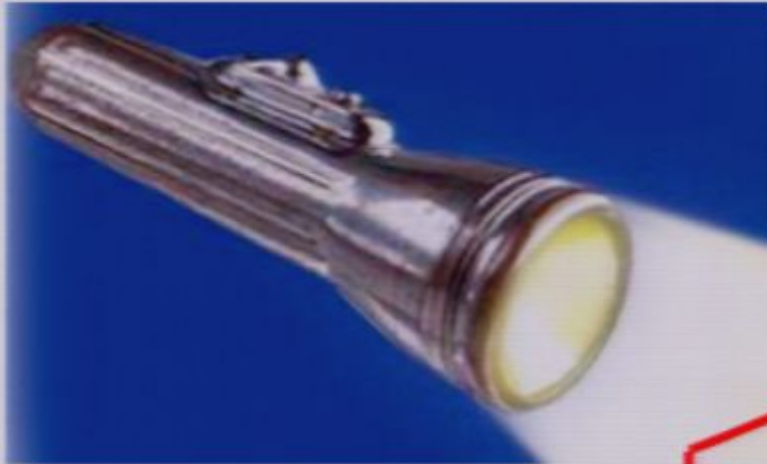
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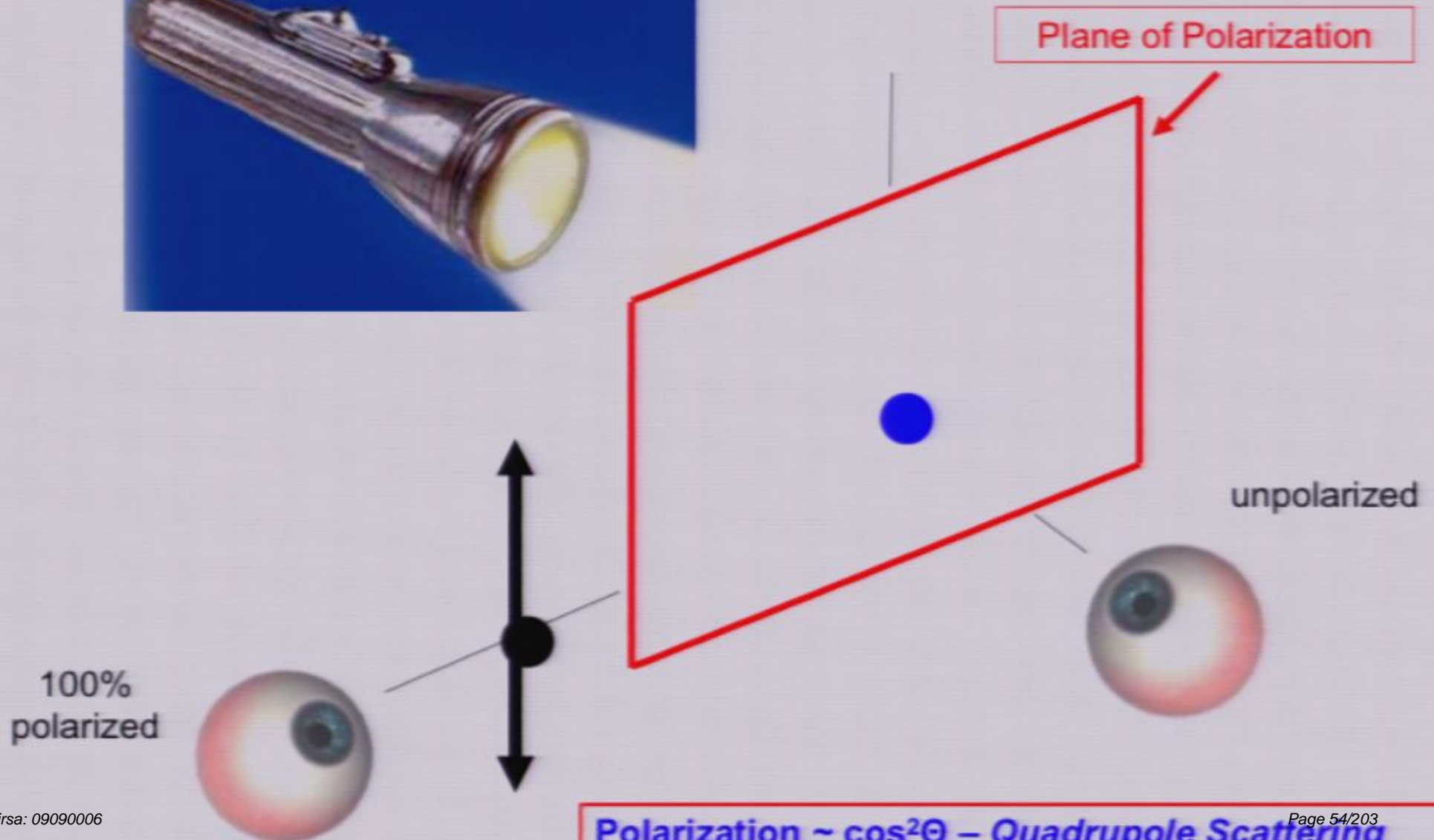
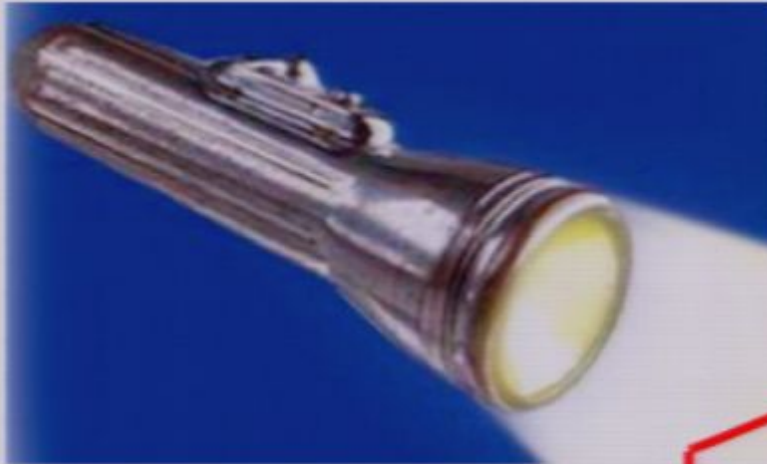
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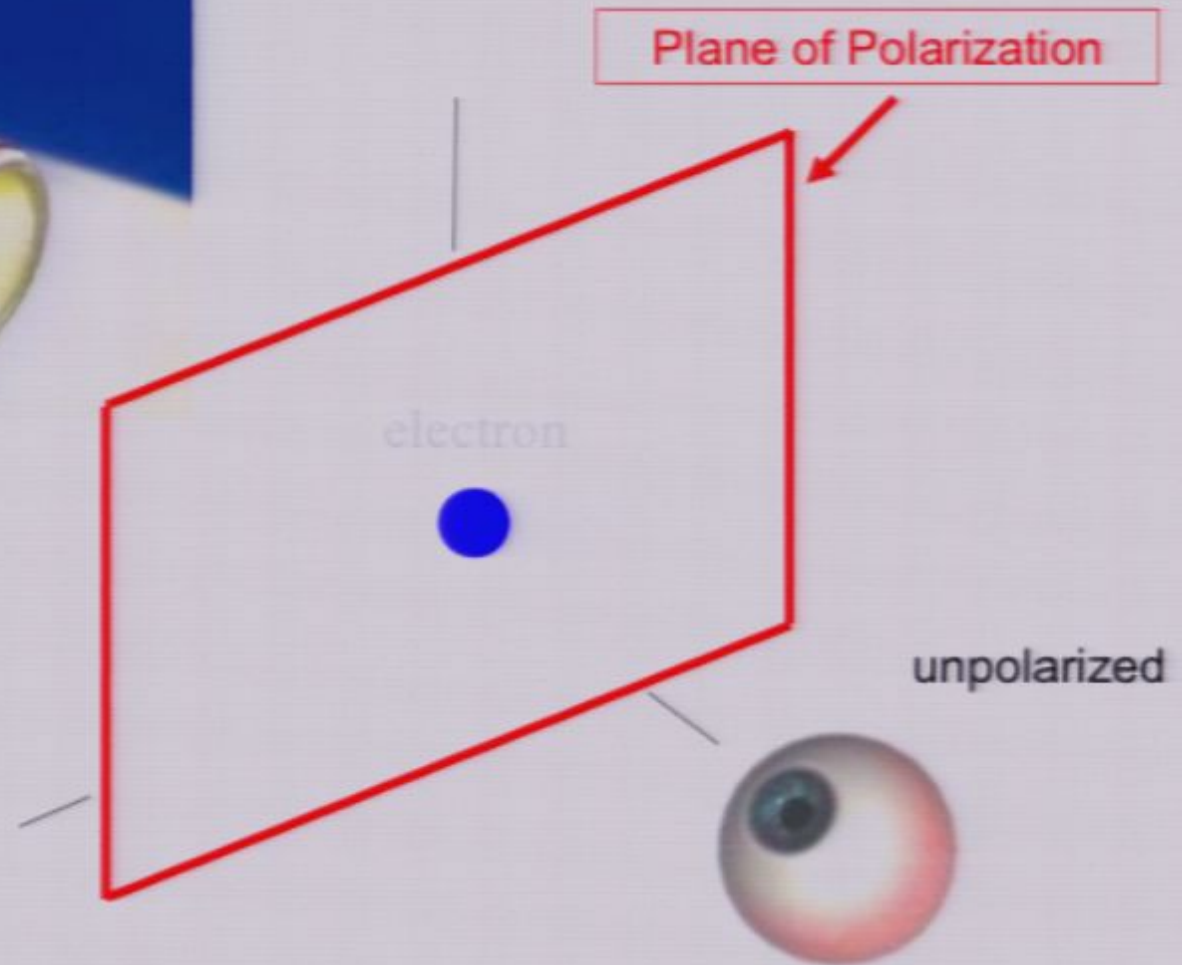
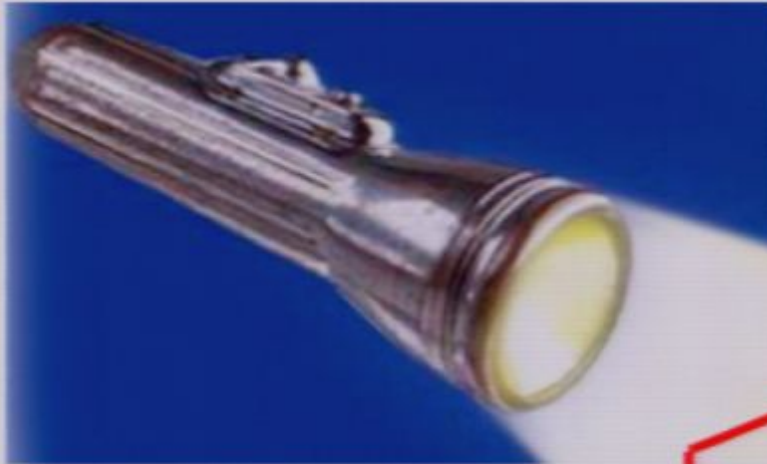
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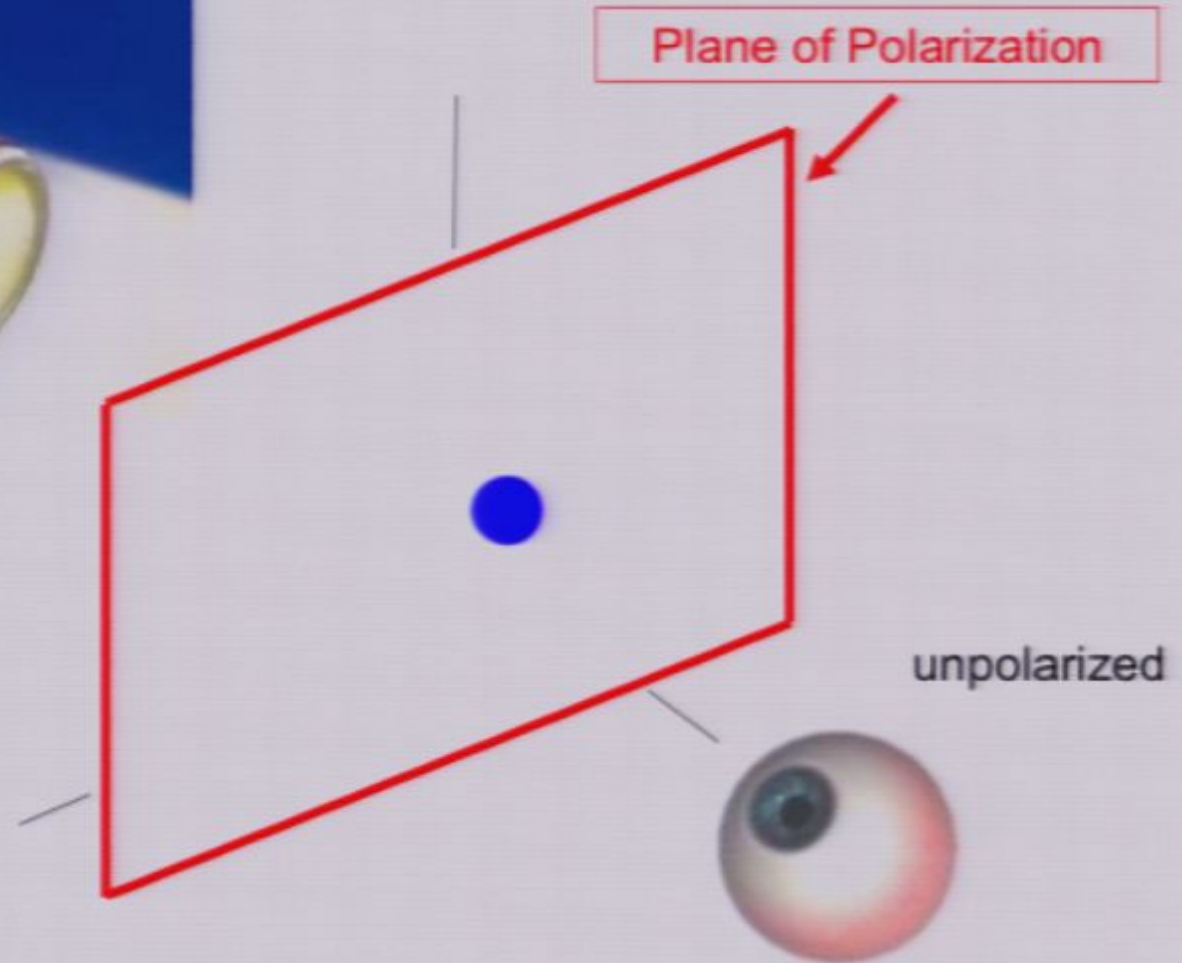
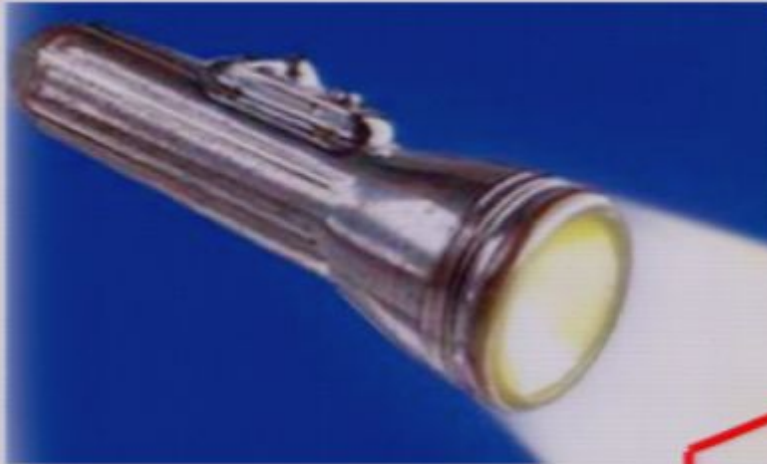
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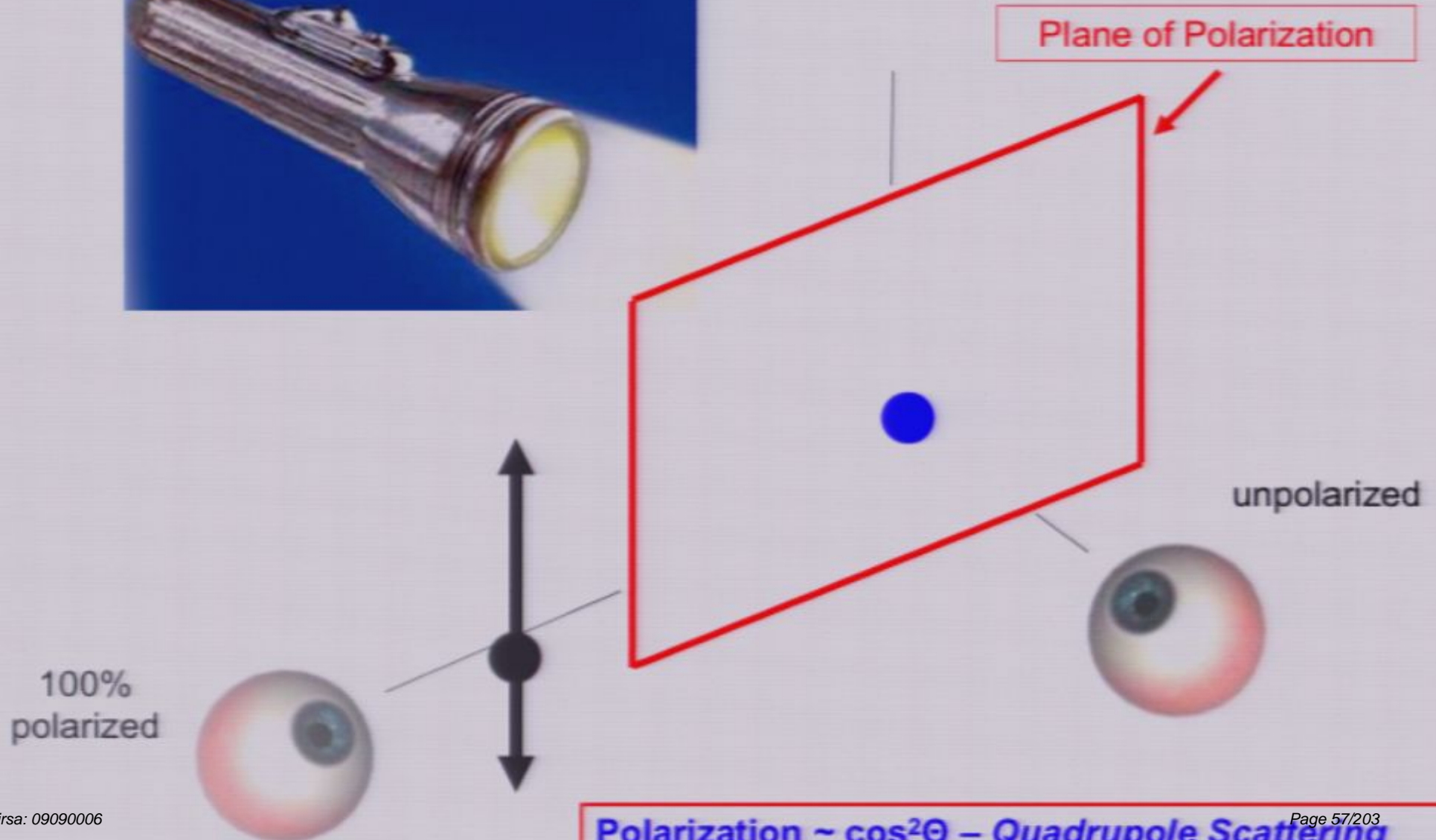
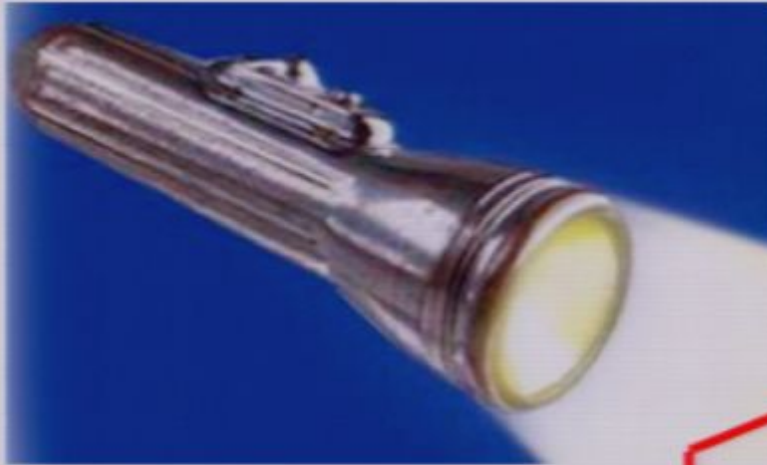
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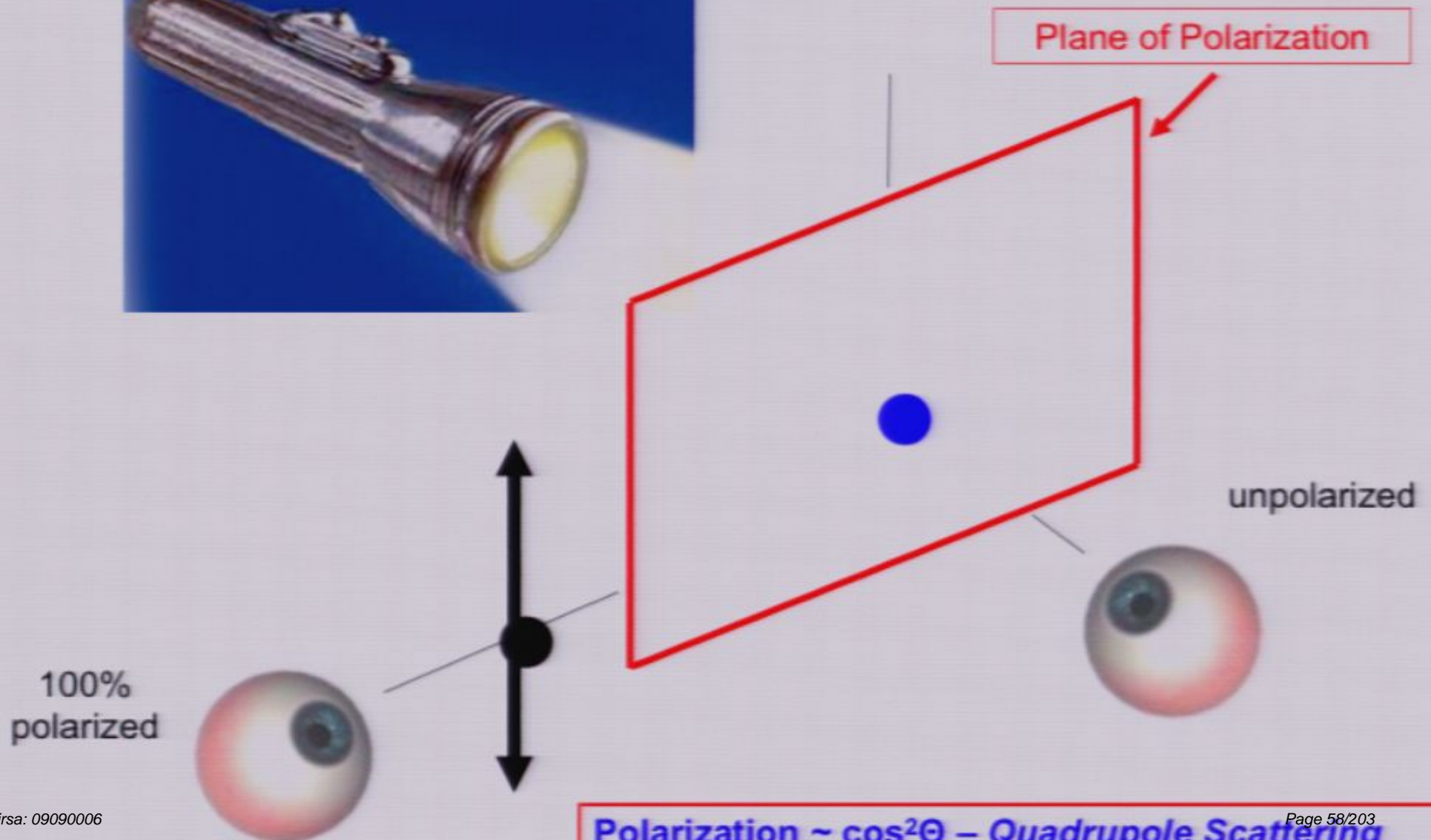
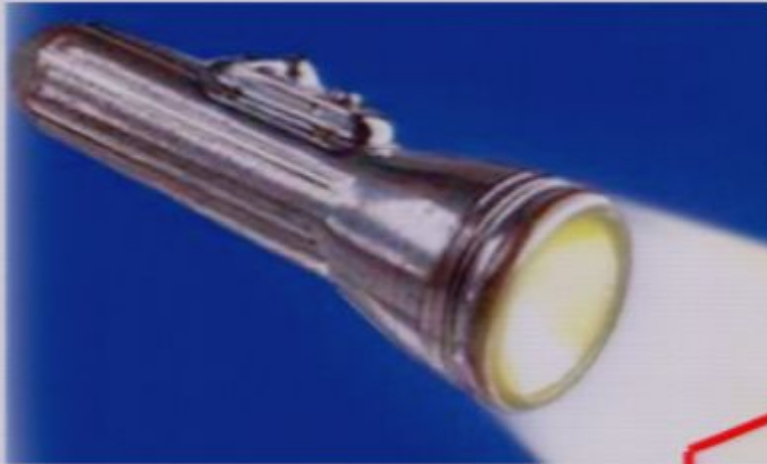
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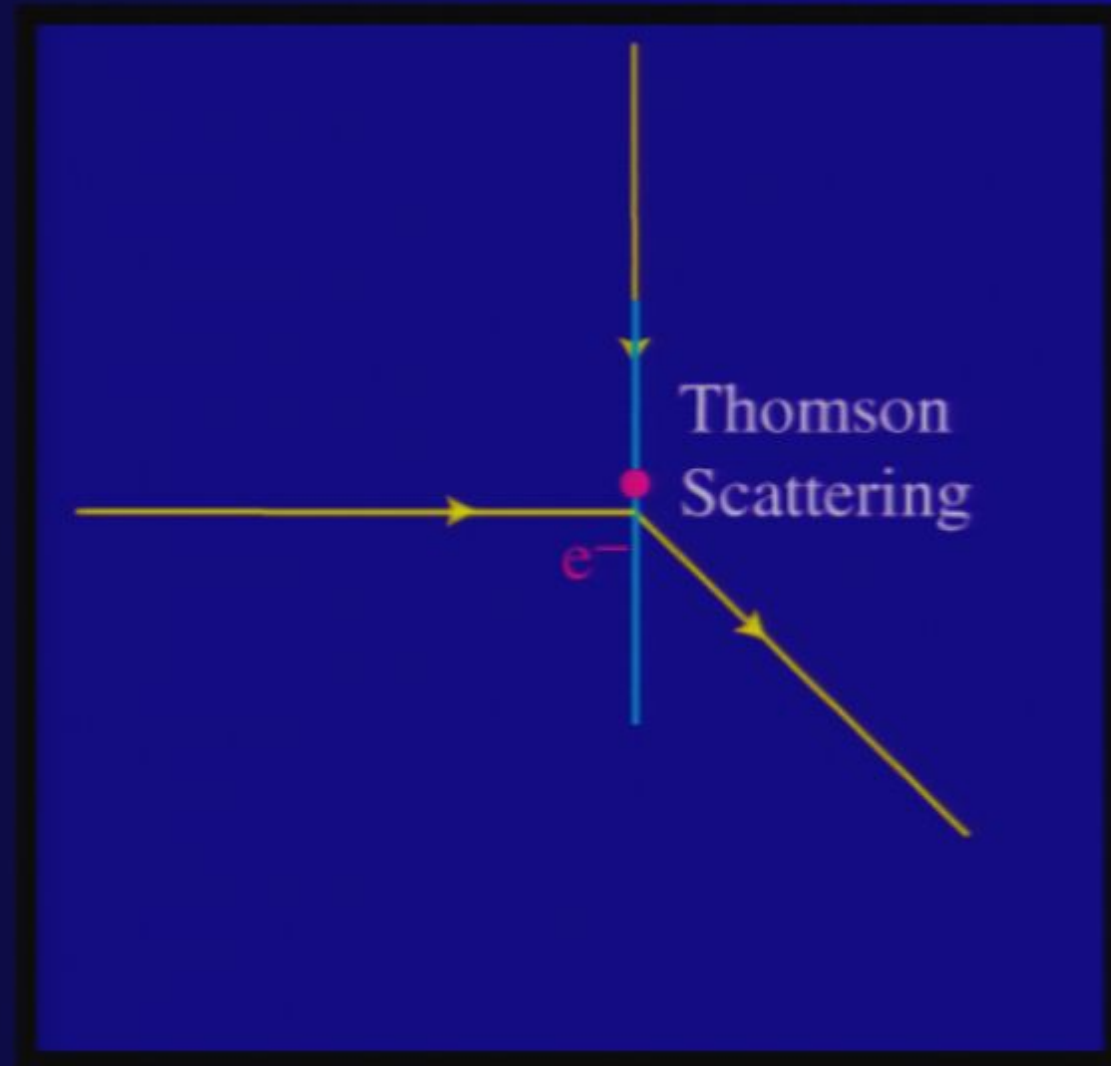
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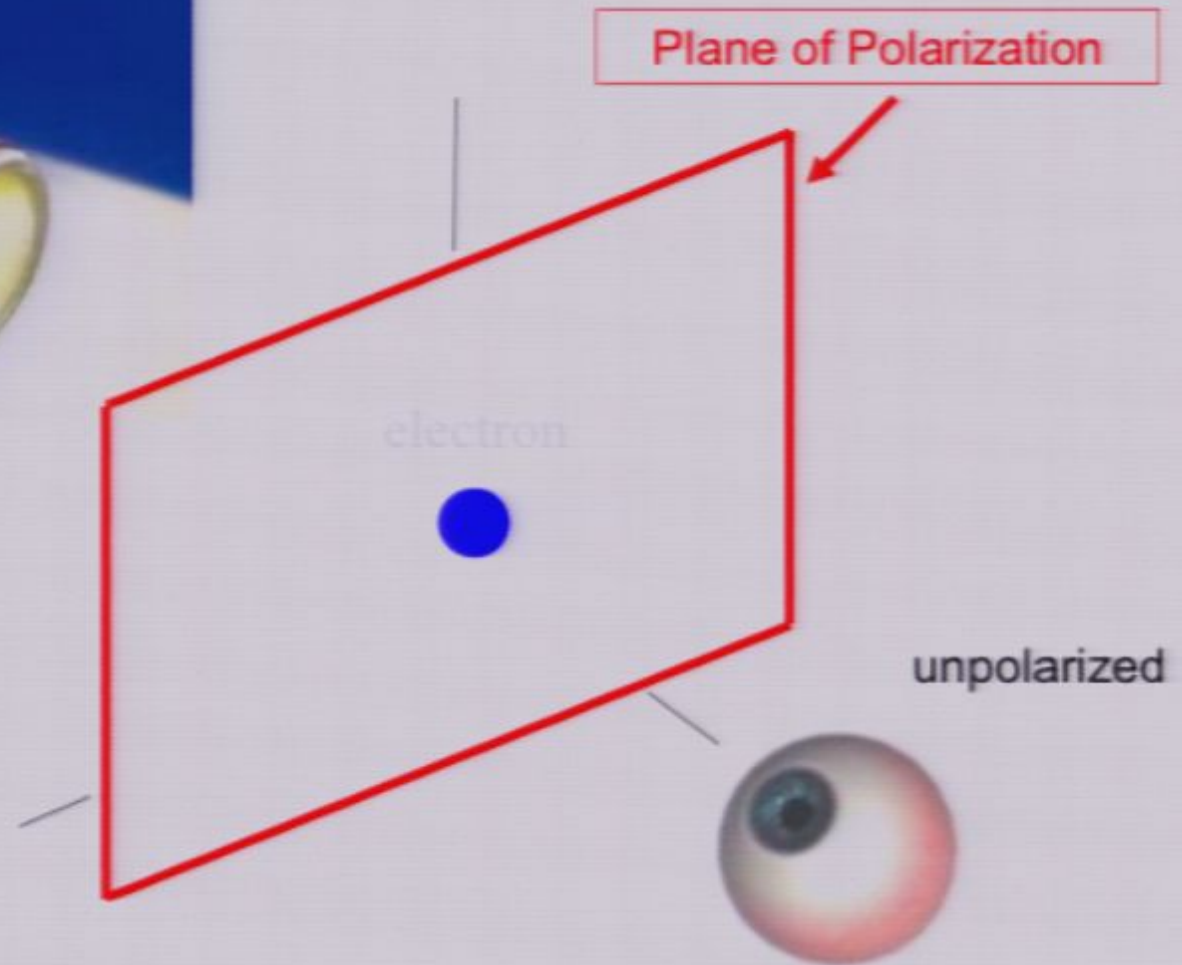
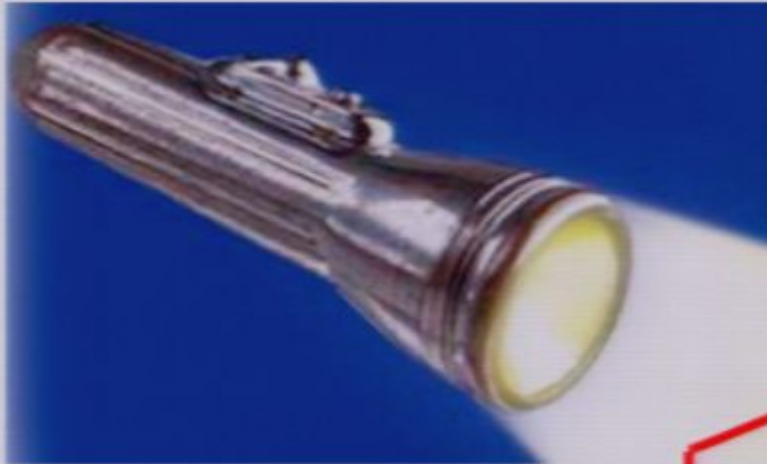
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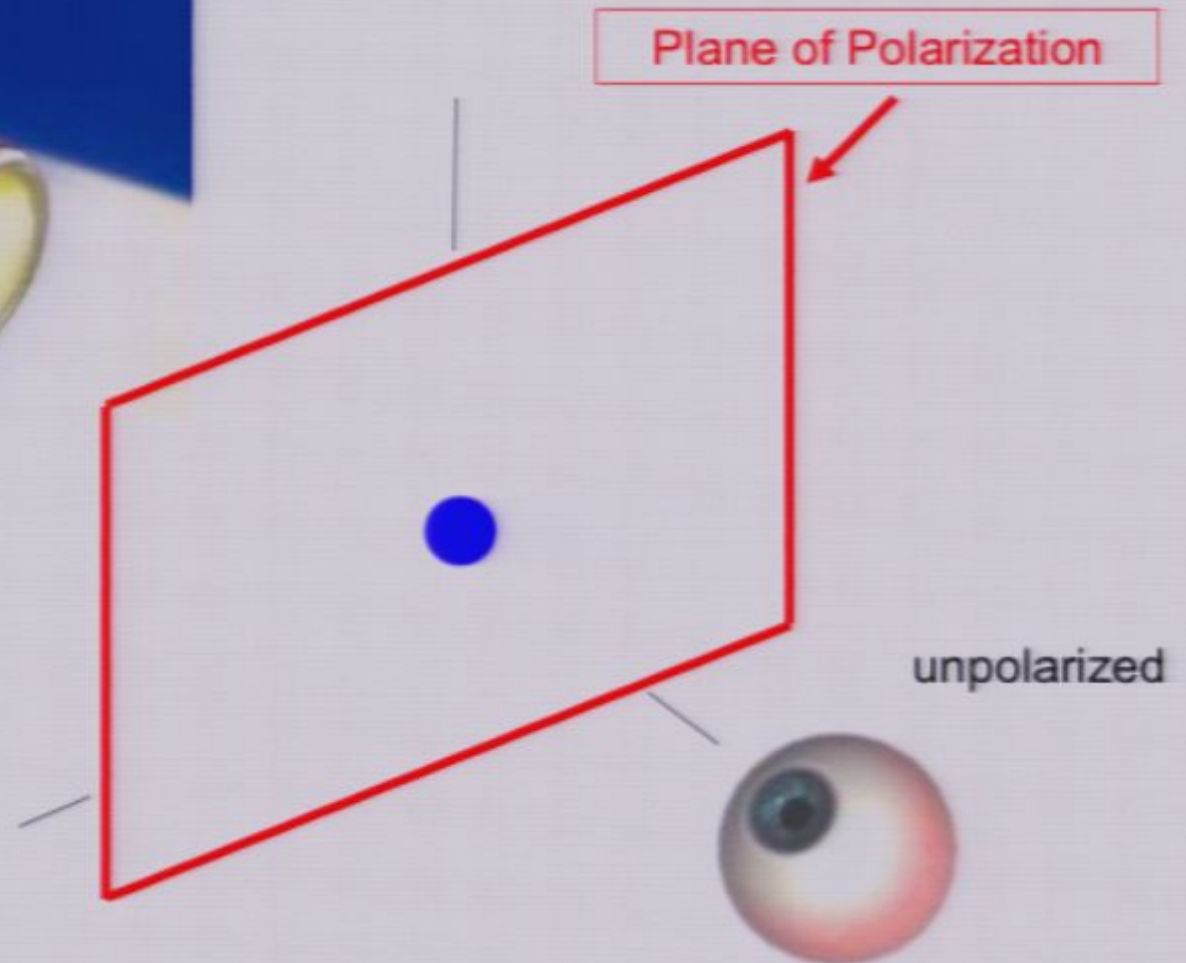
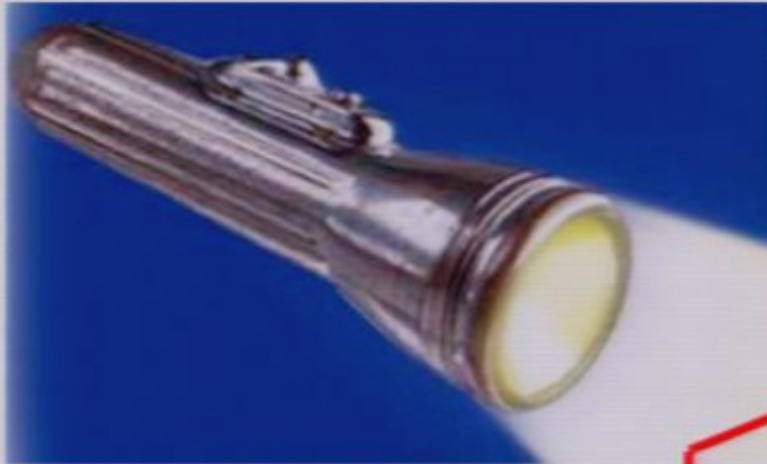
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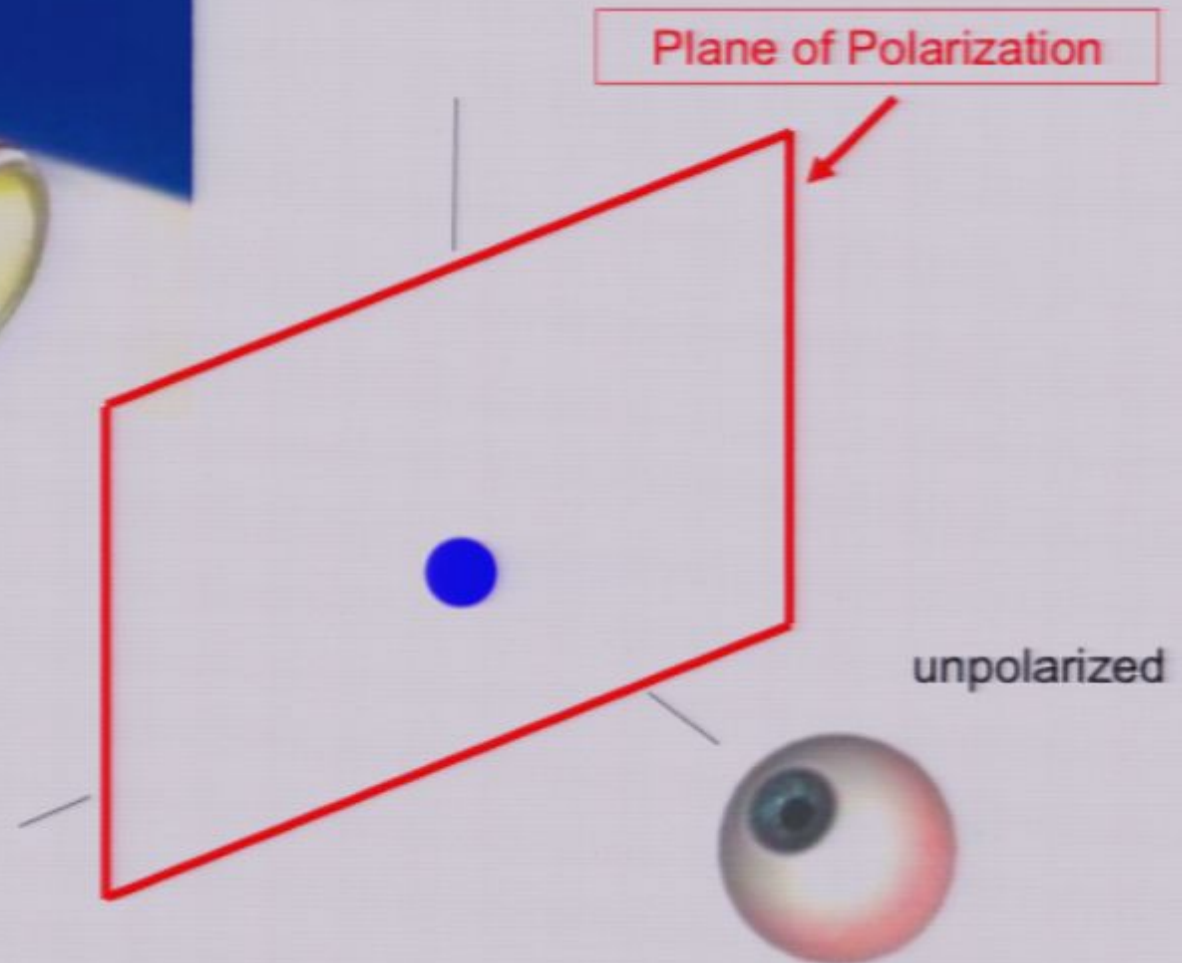
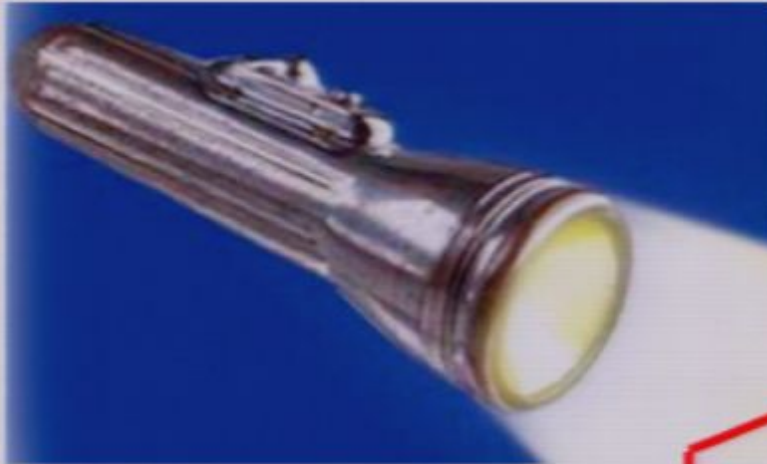
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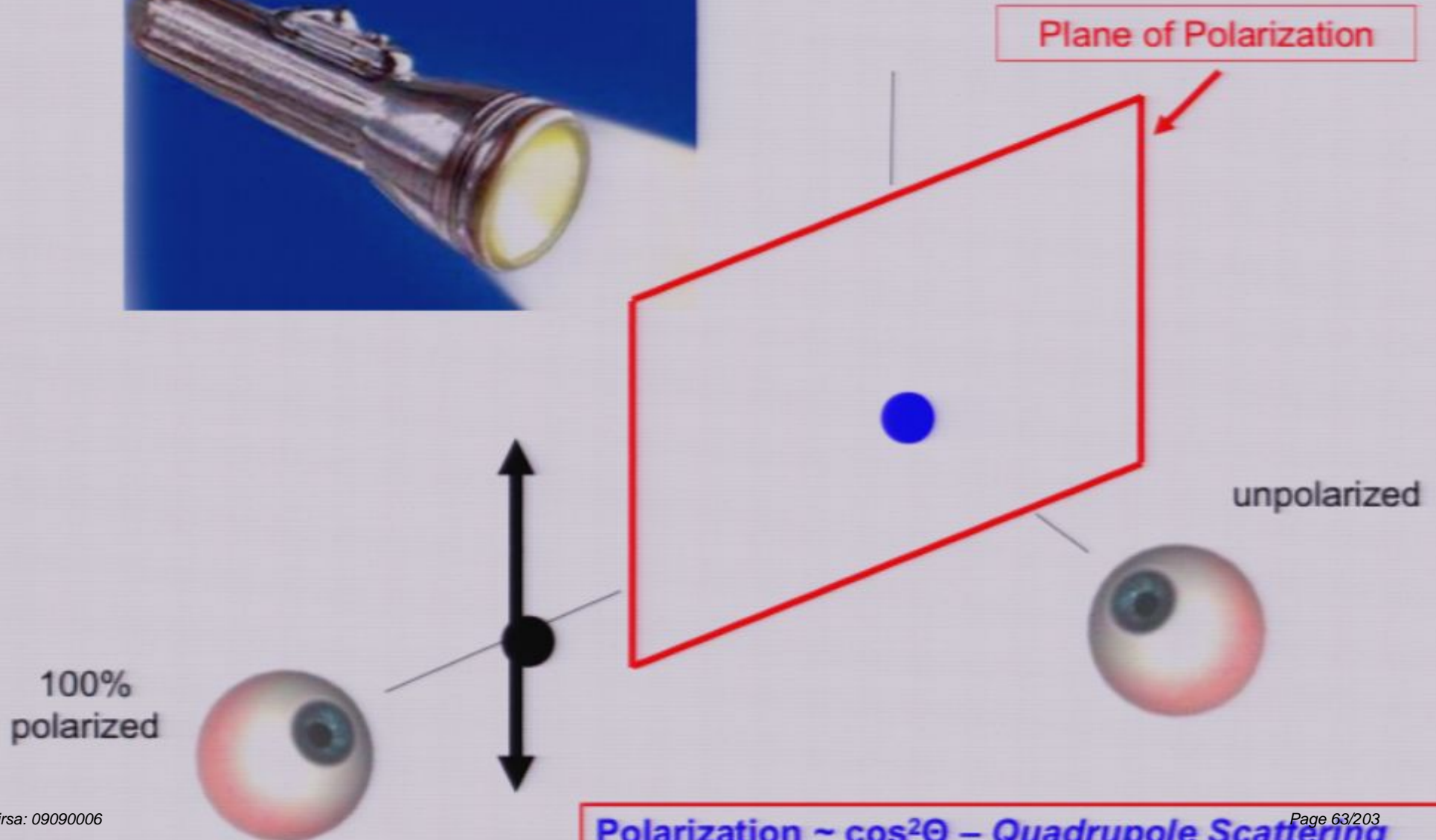
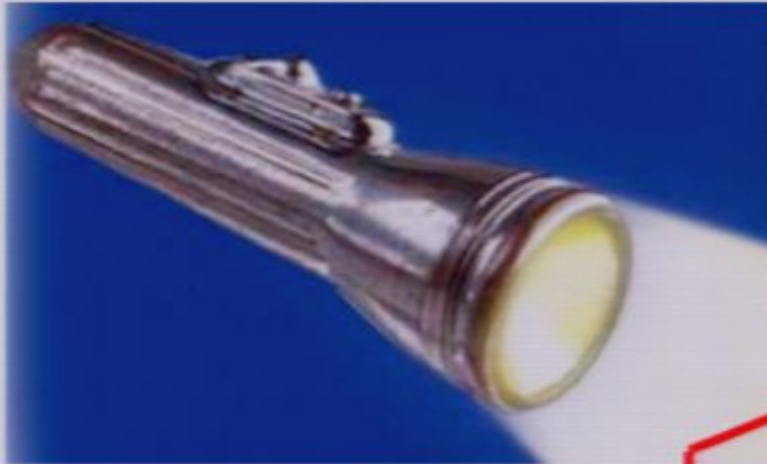
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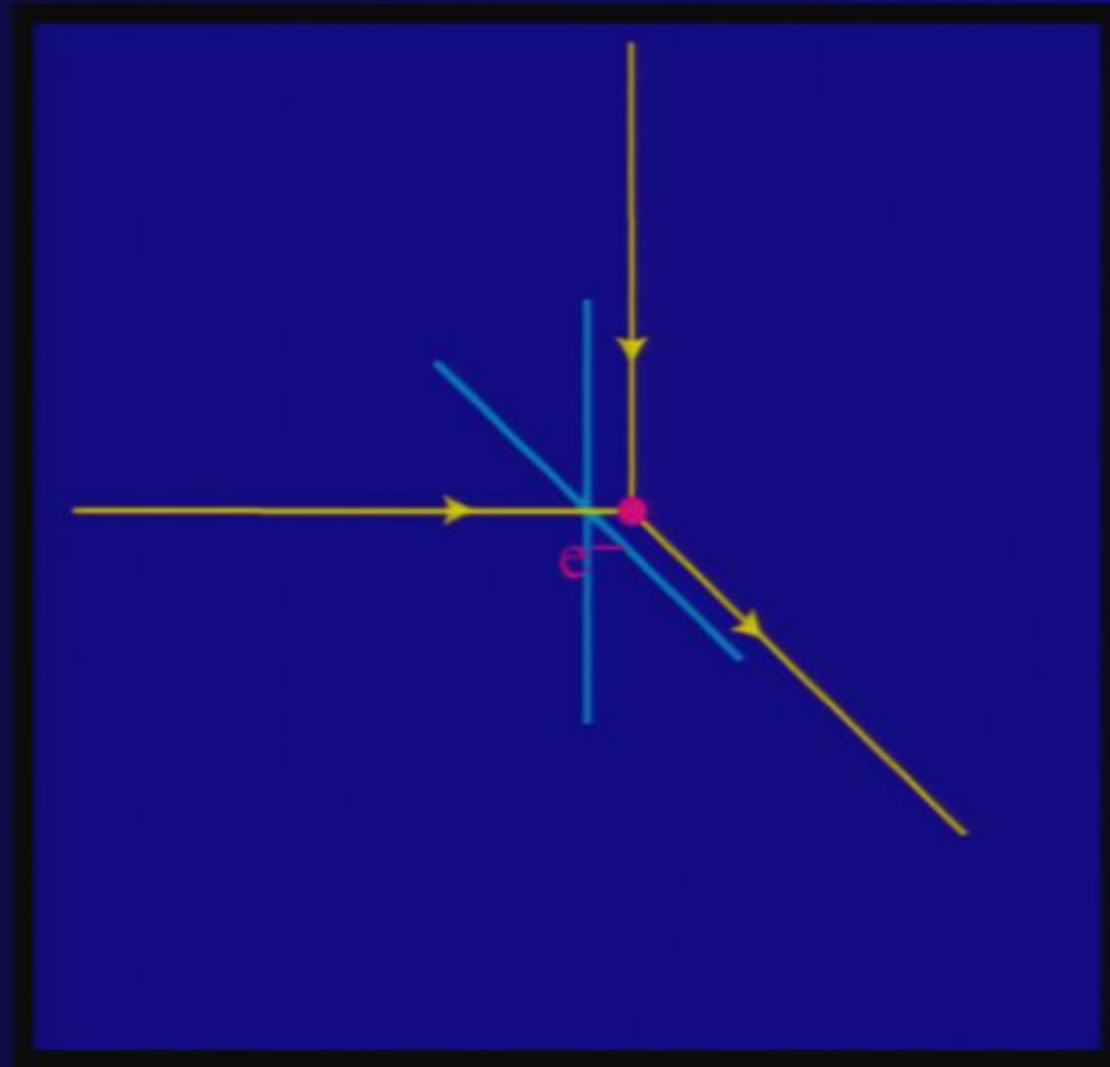
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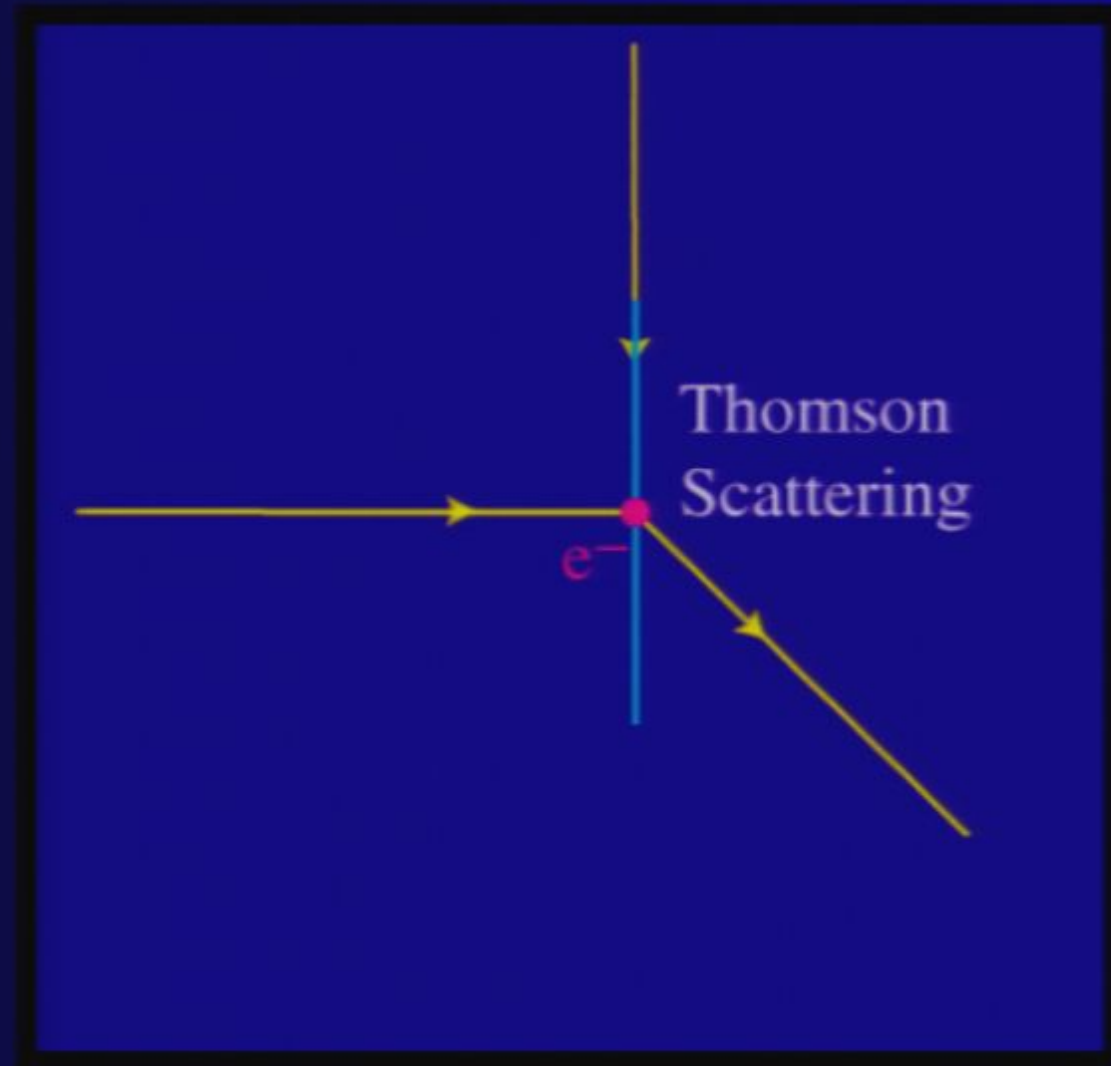
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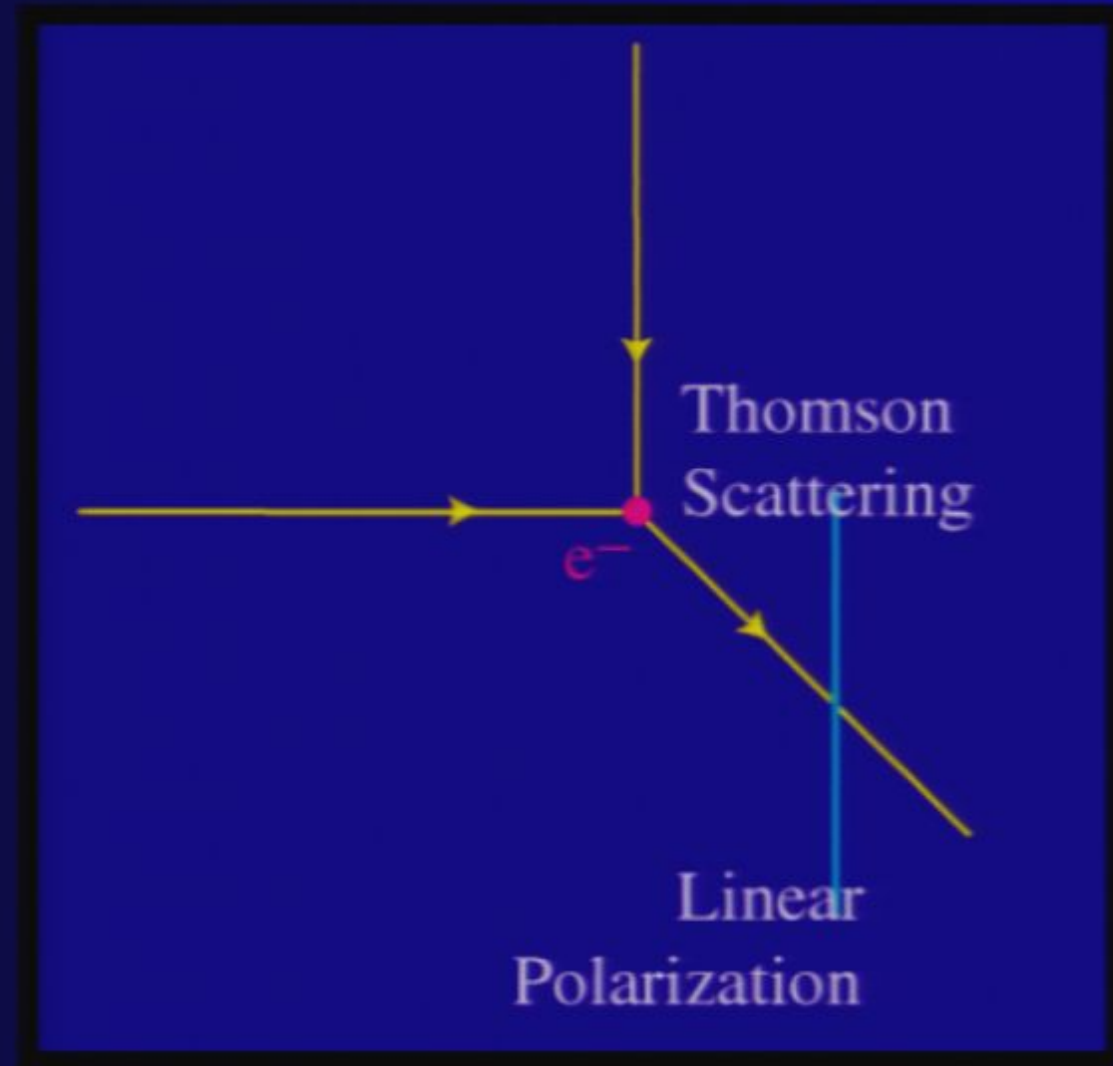
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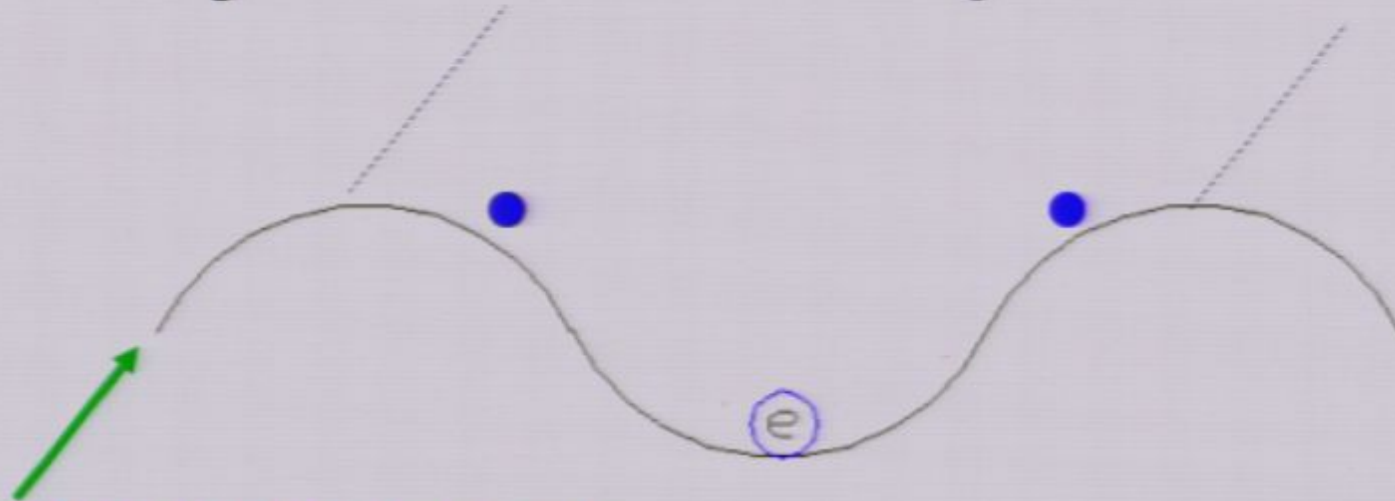
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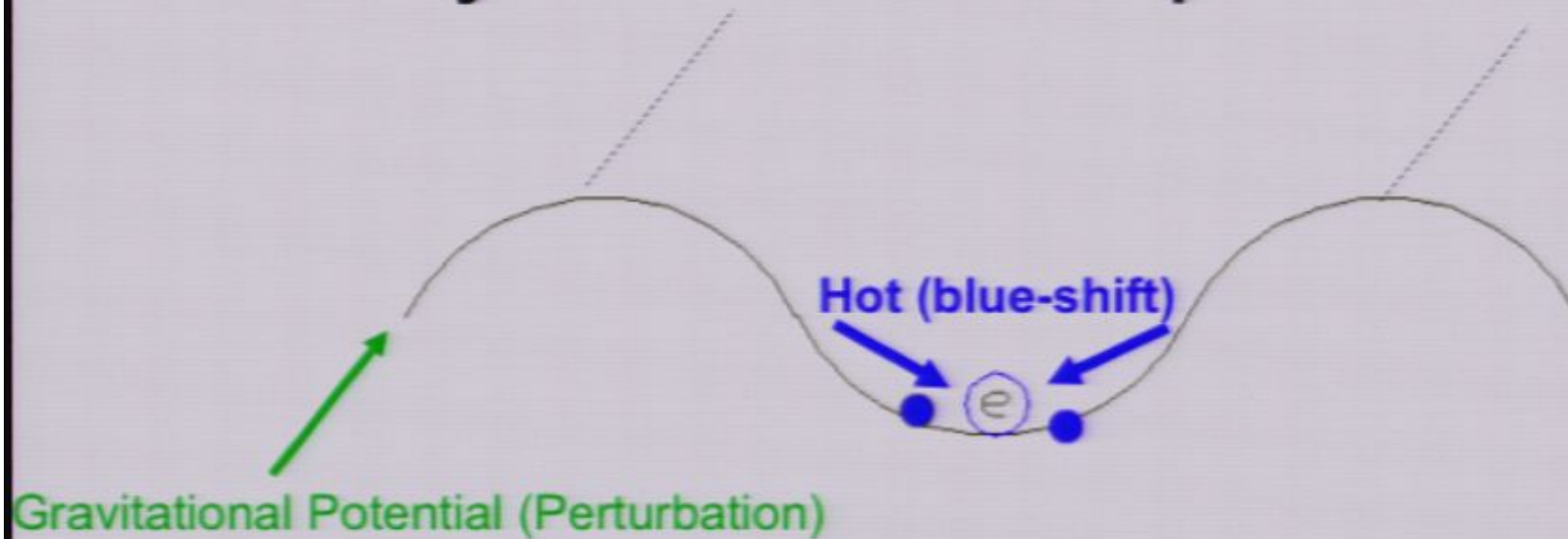
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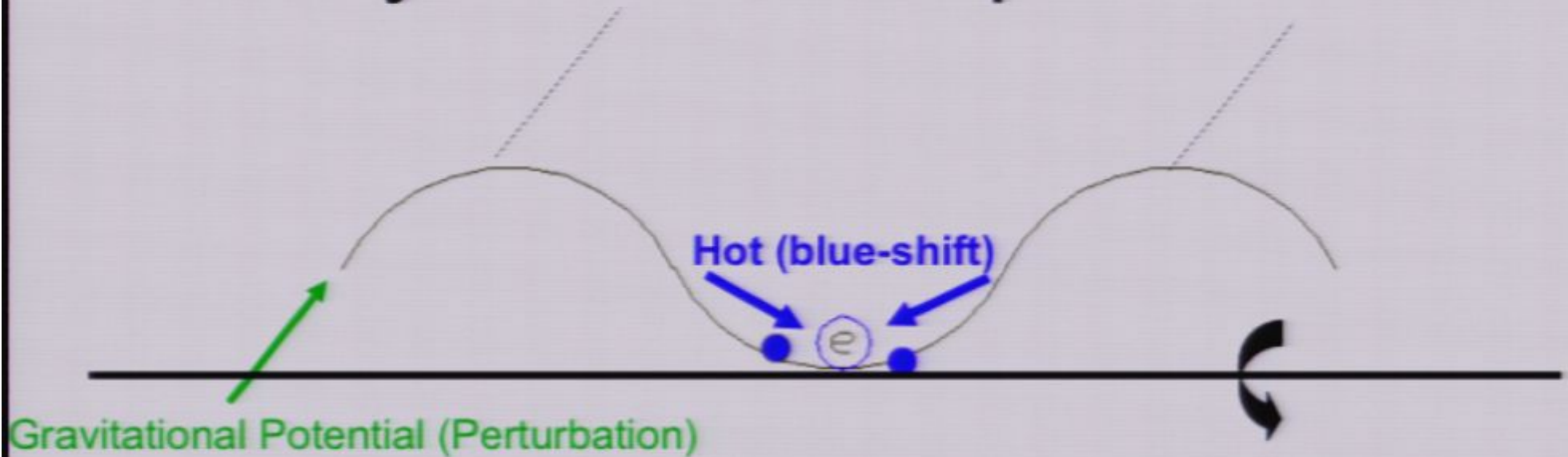
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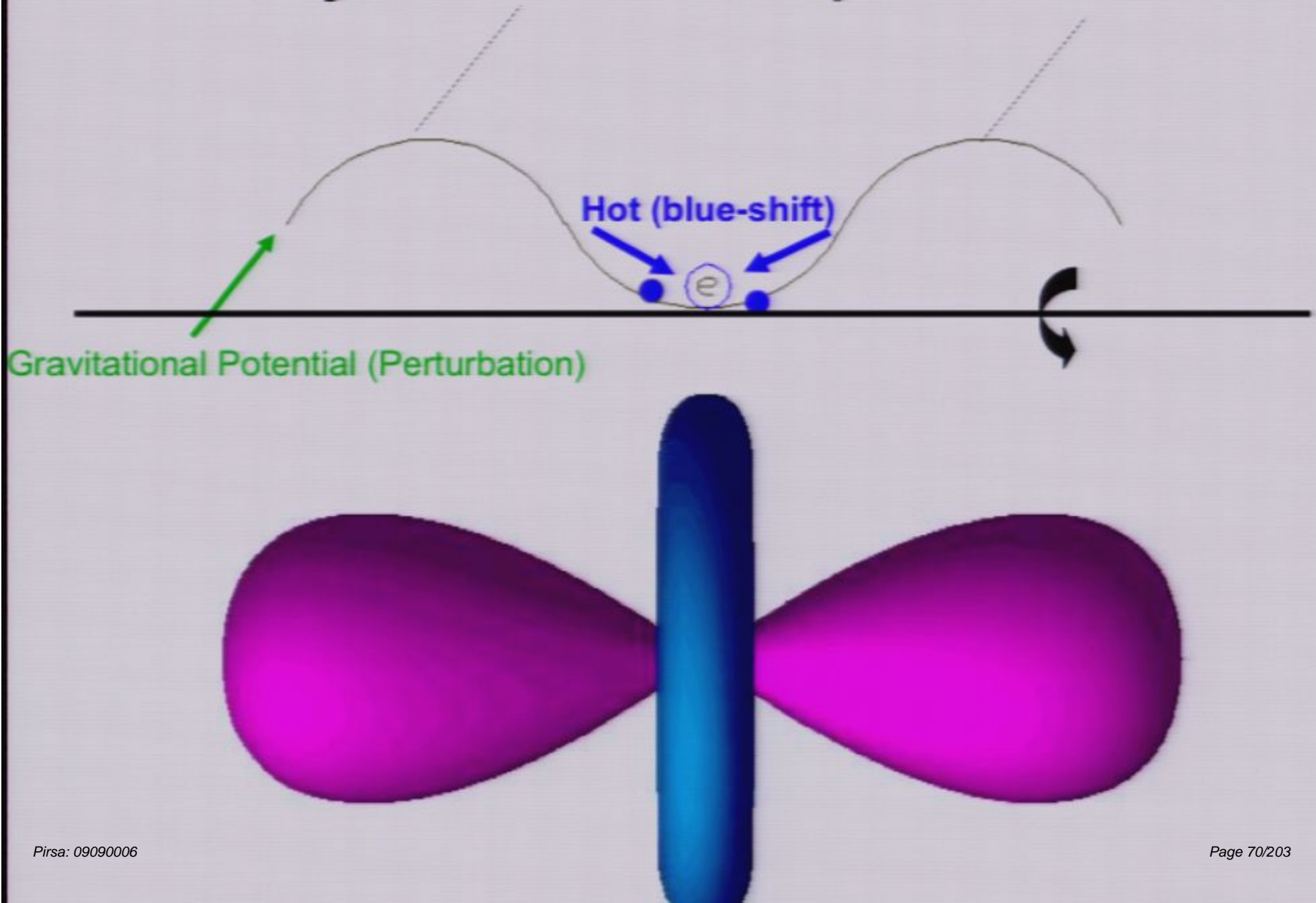
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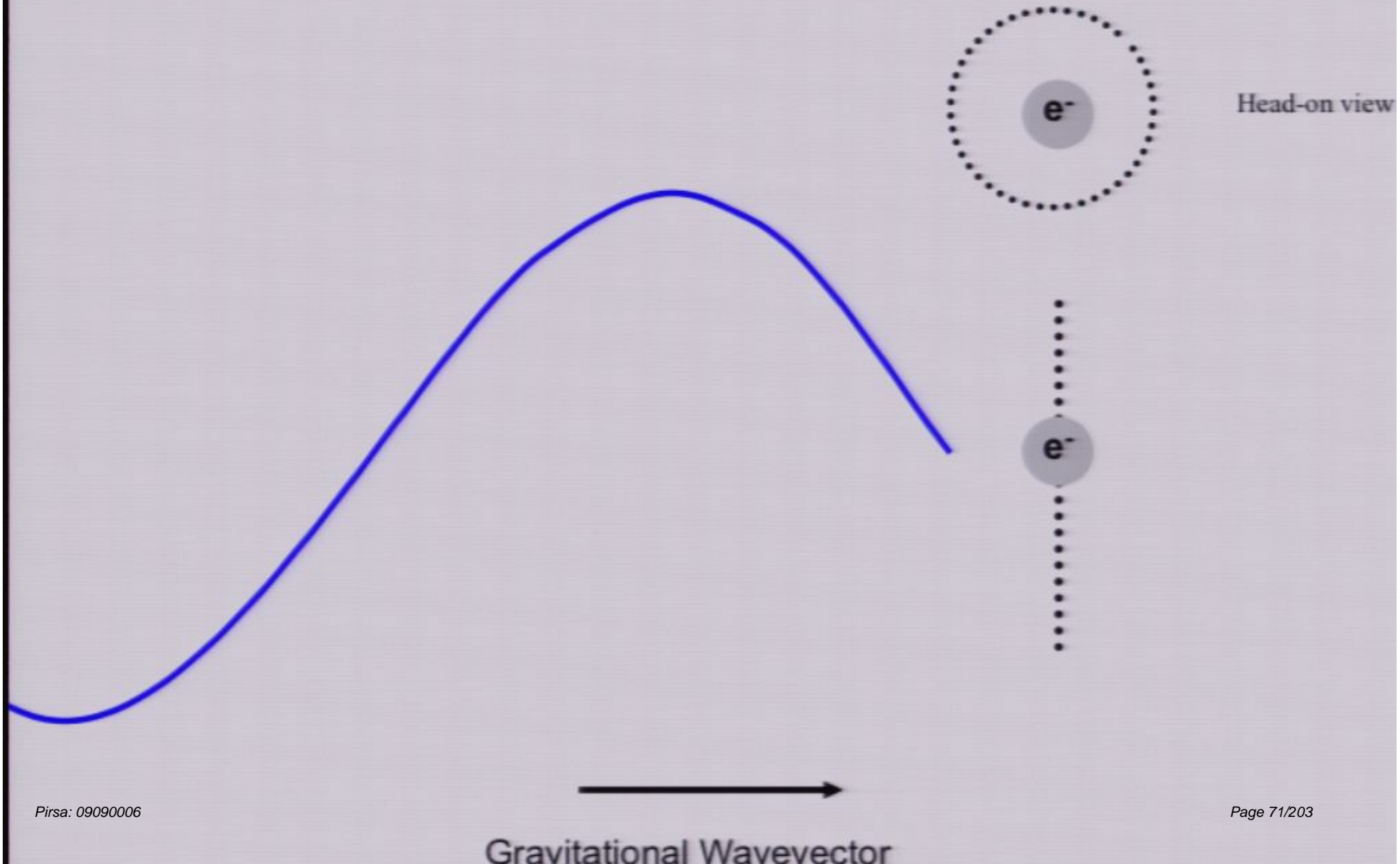


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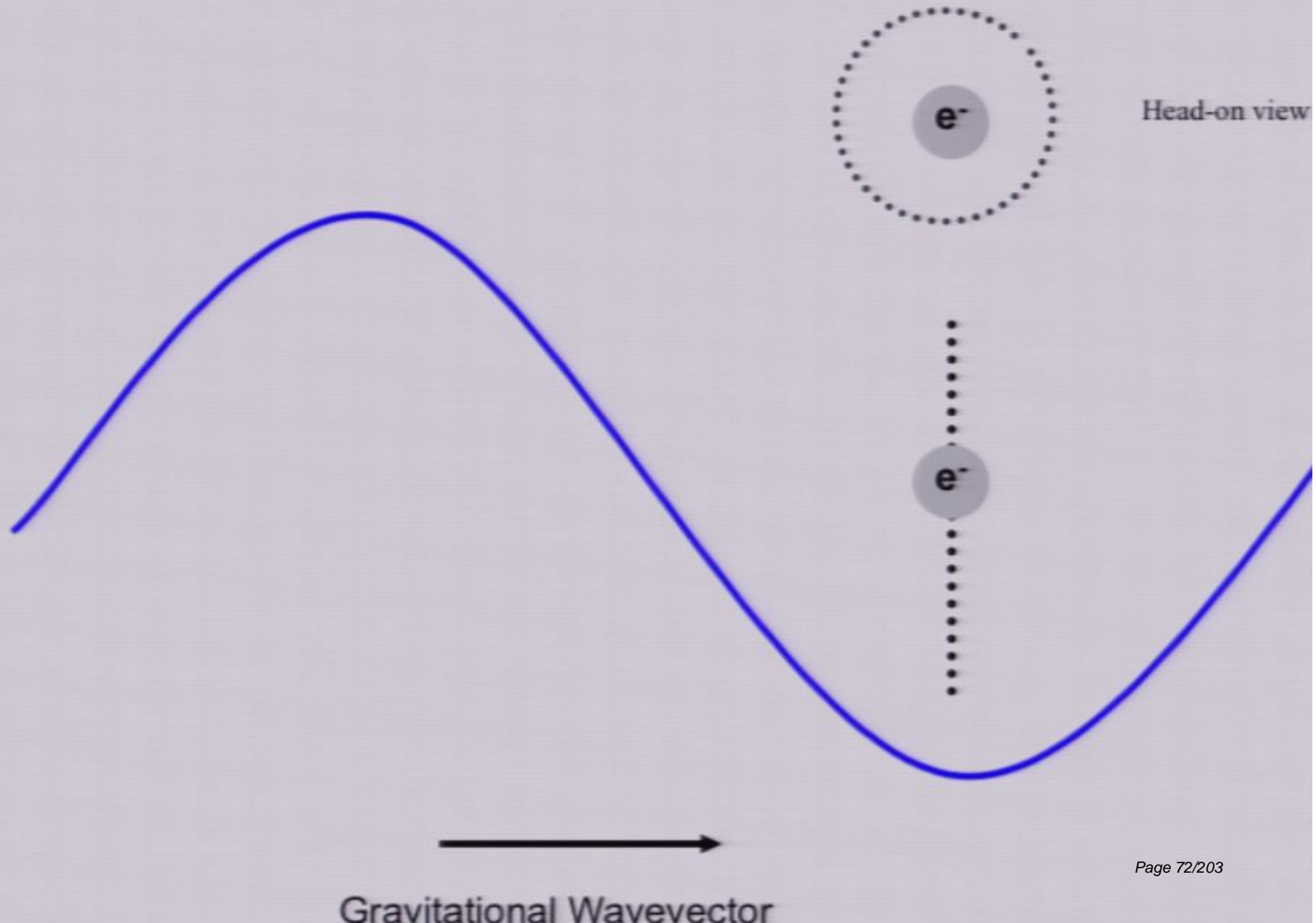
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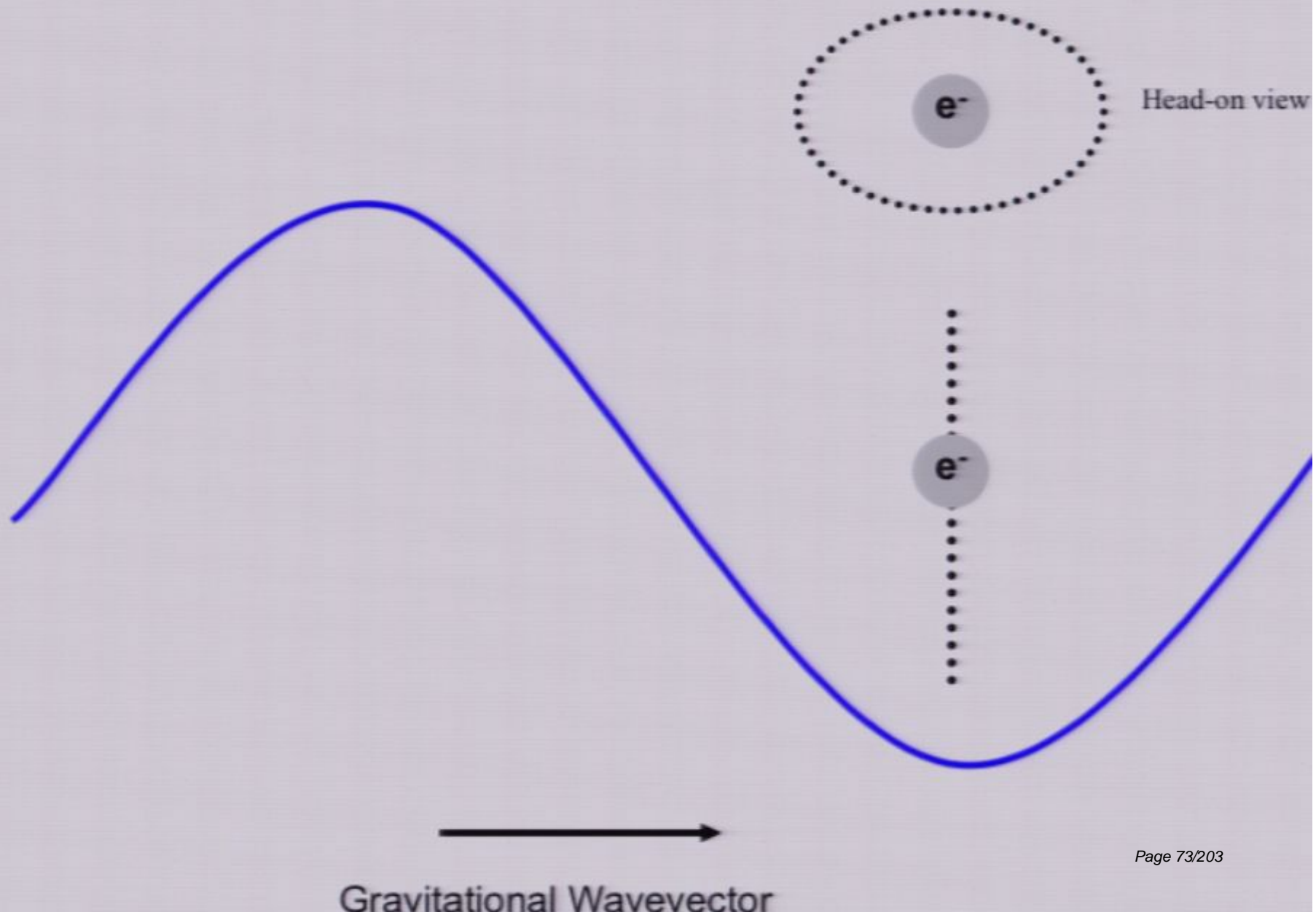
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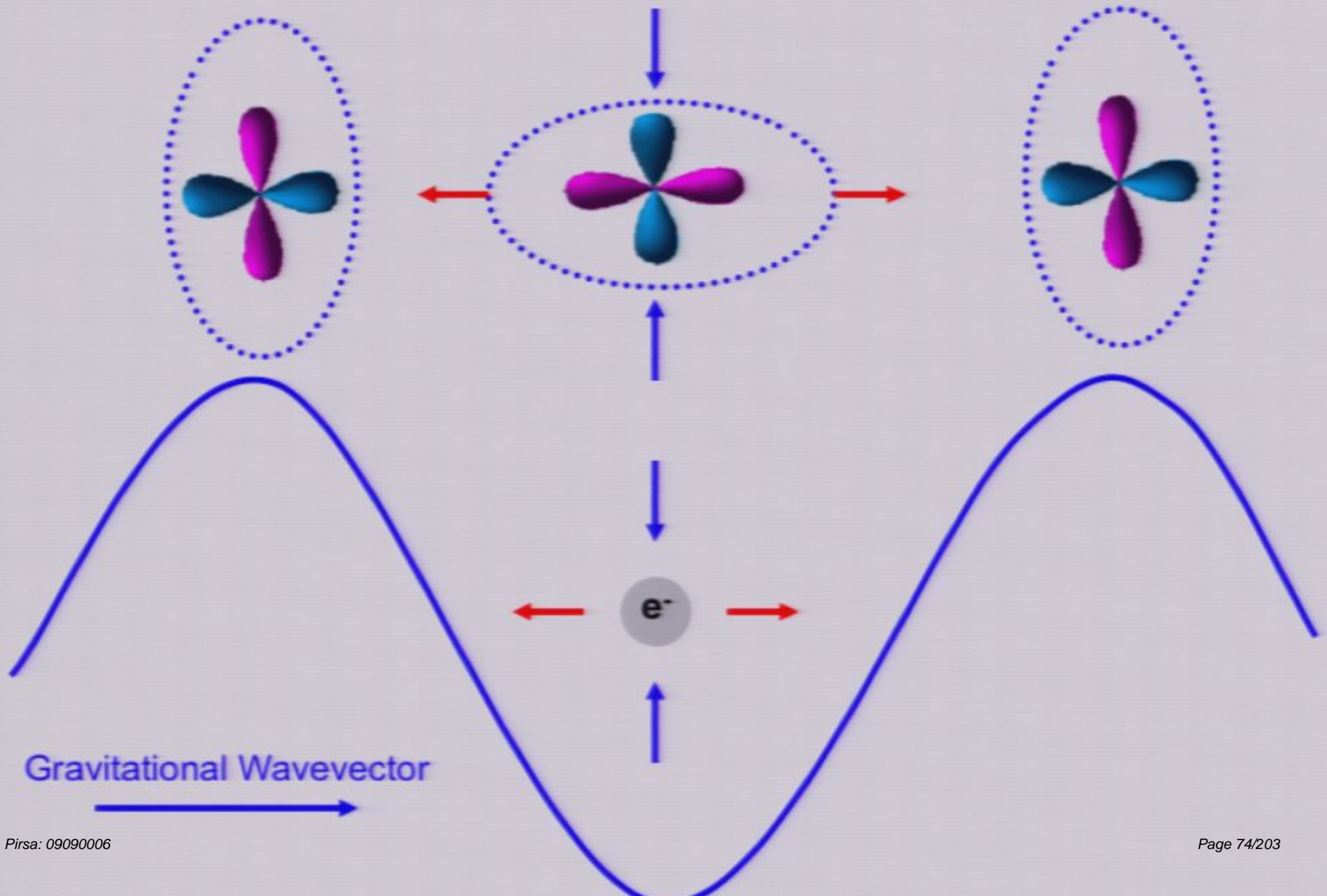
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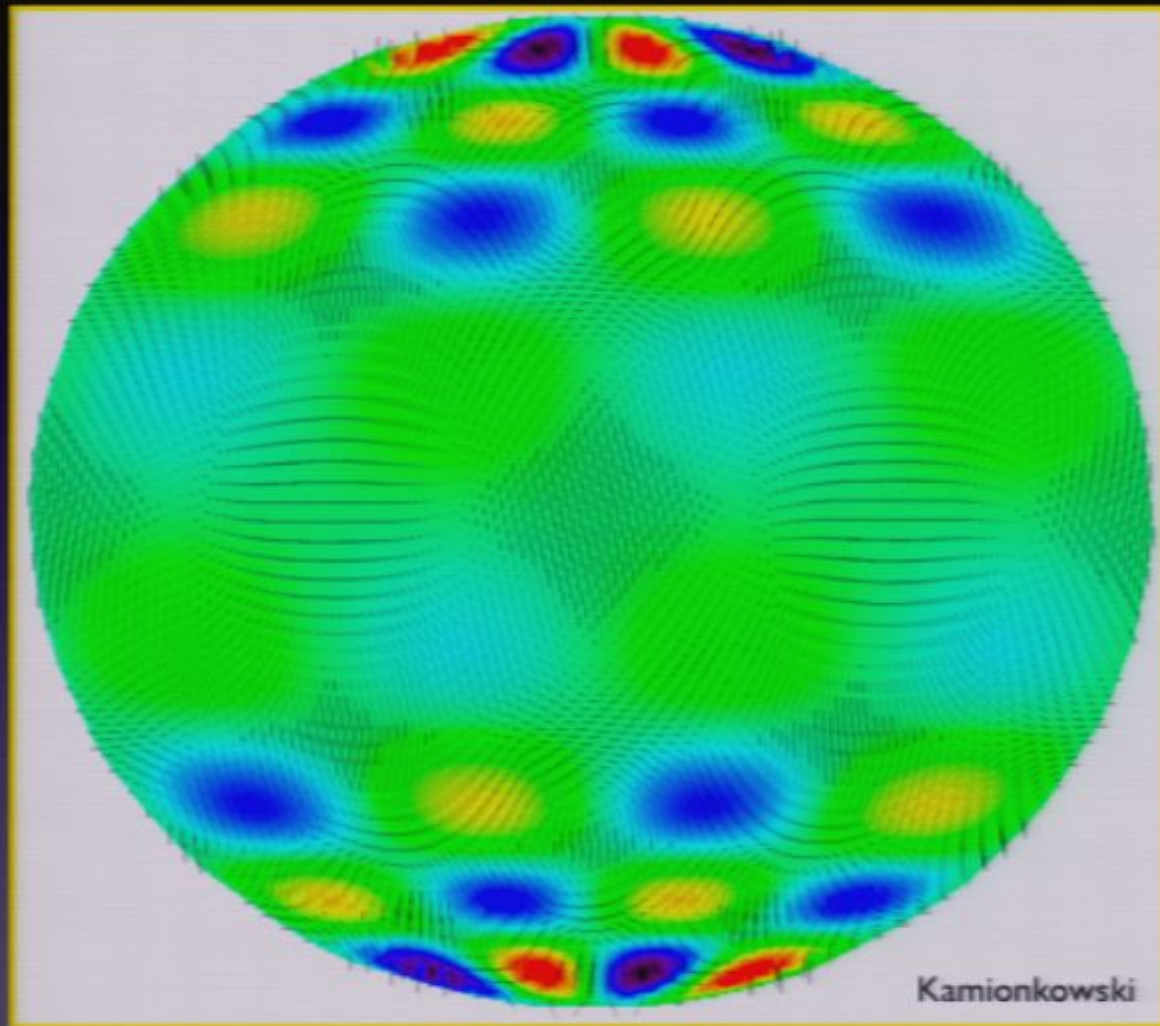


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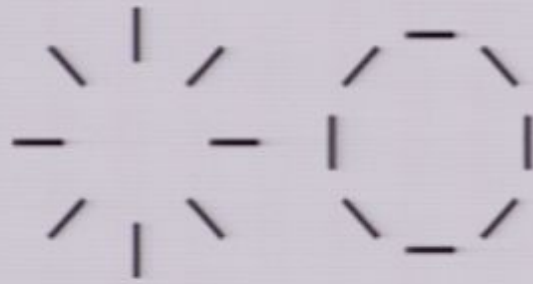
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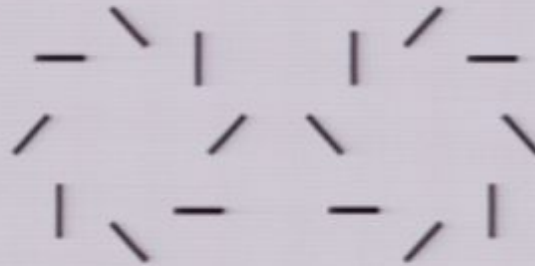
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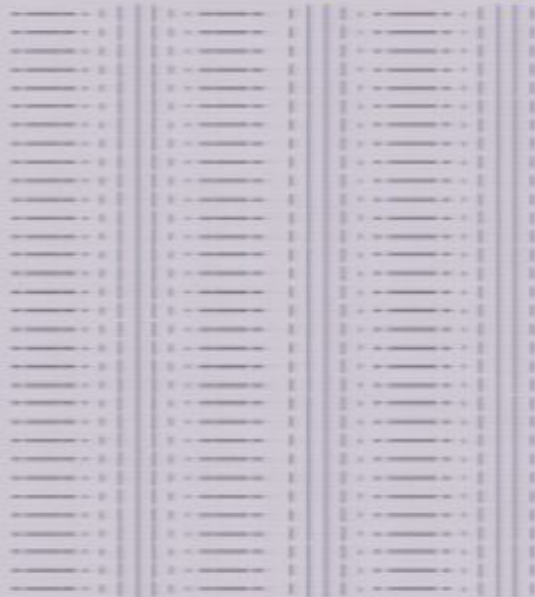
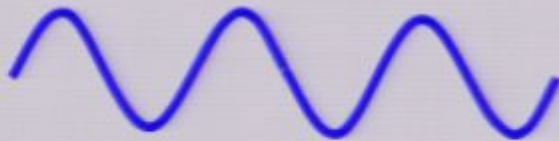




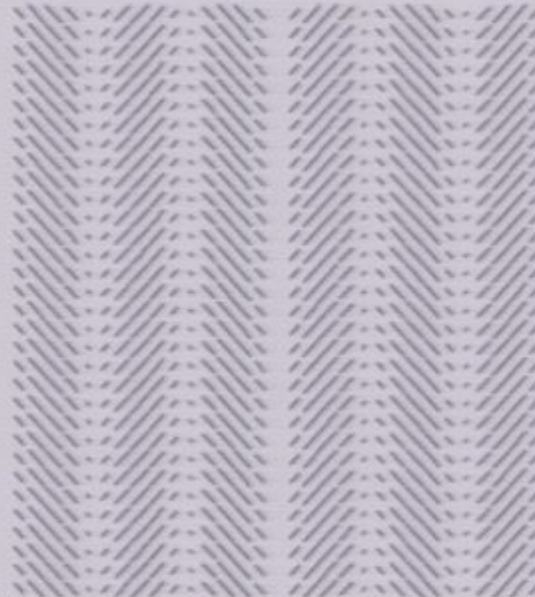
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E Fourier Mode



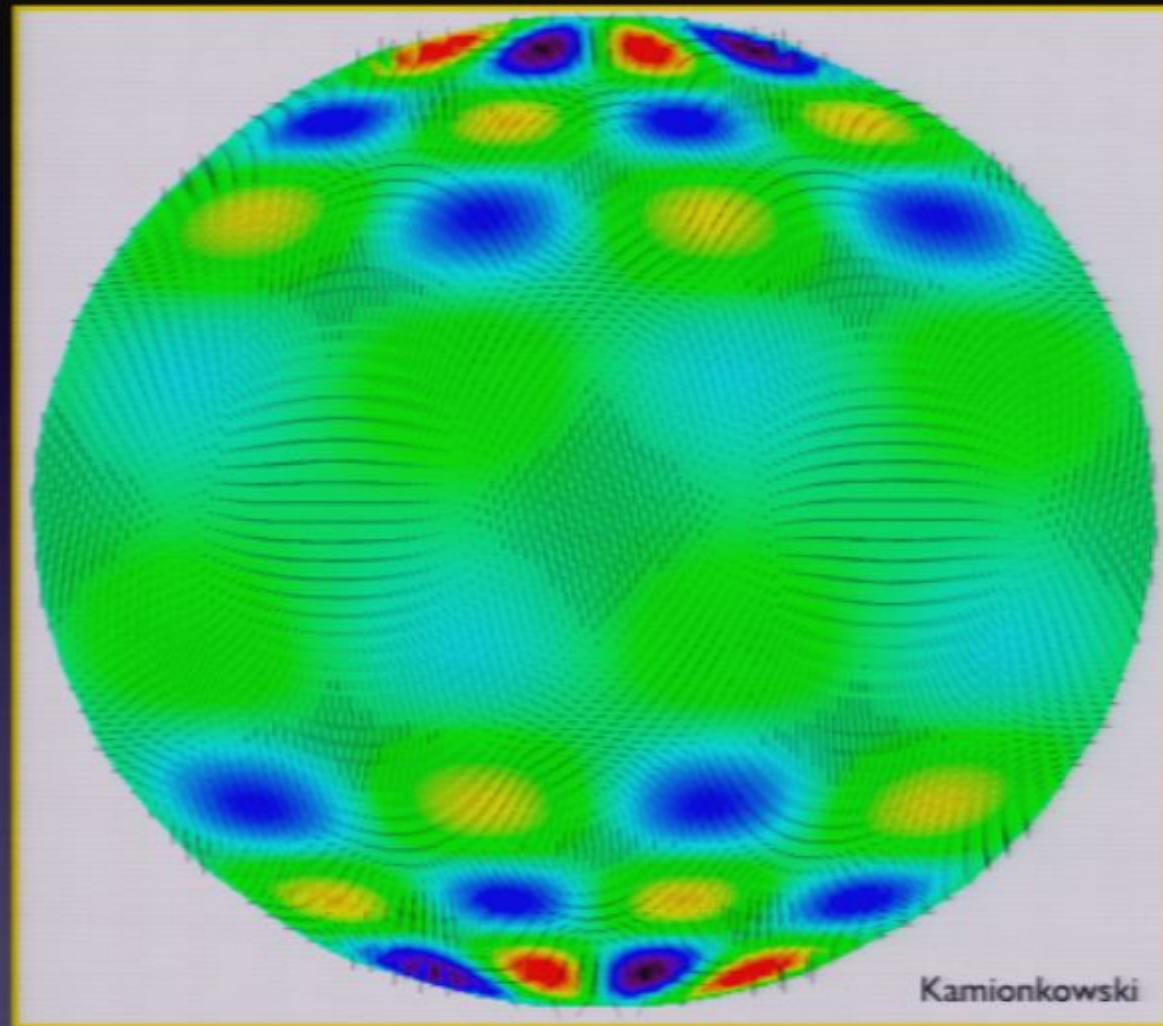
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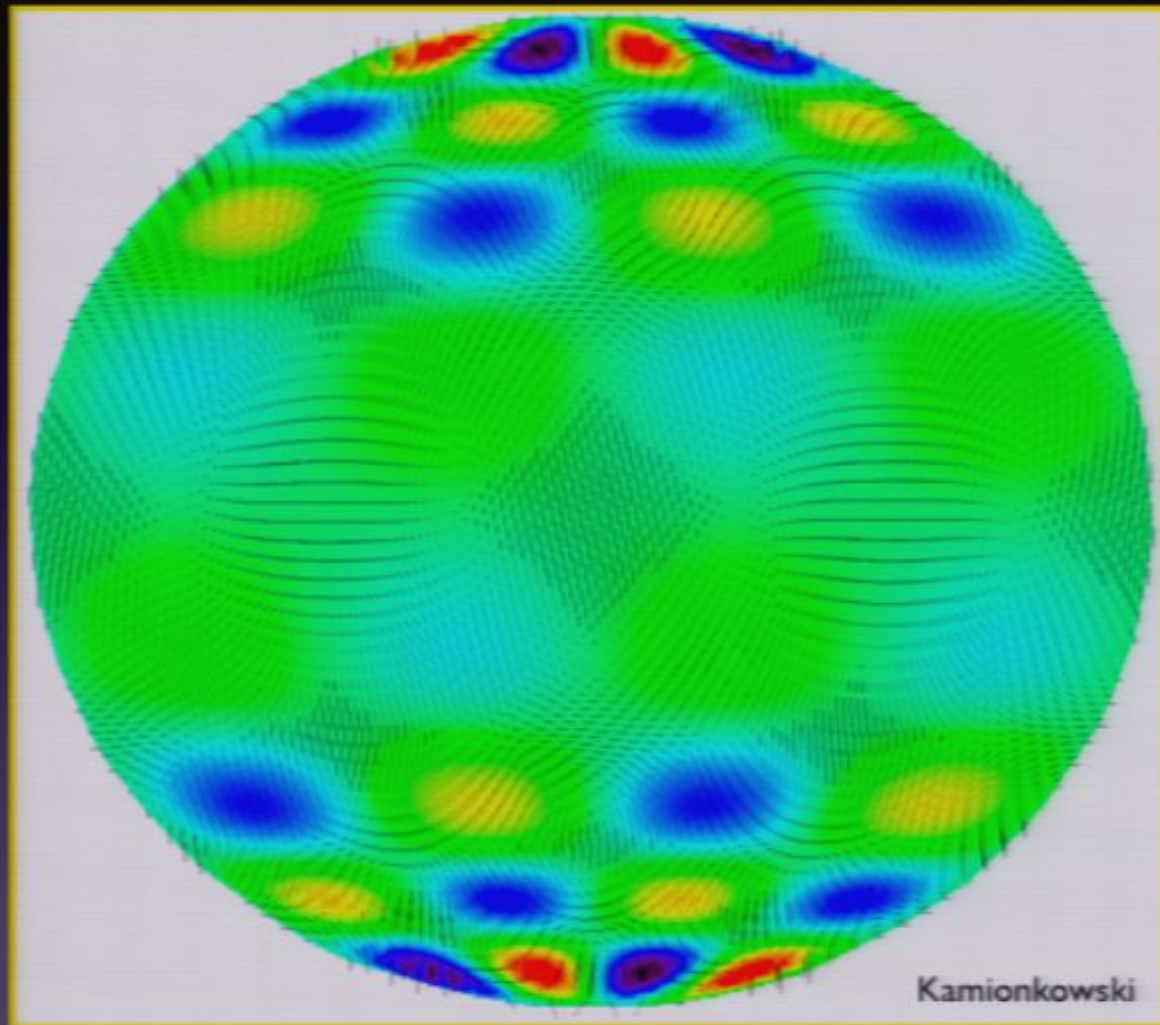
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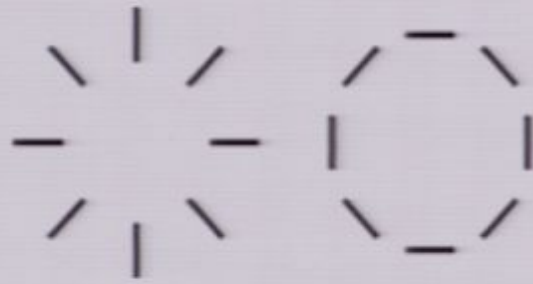


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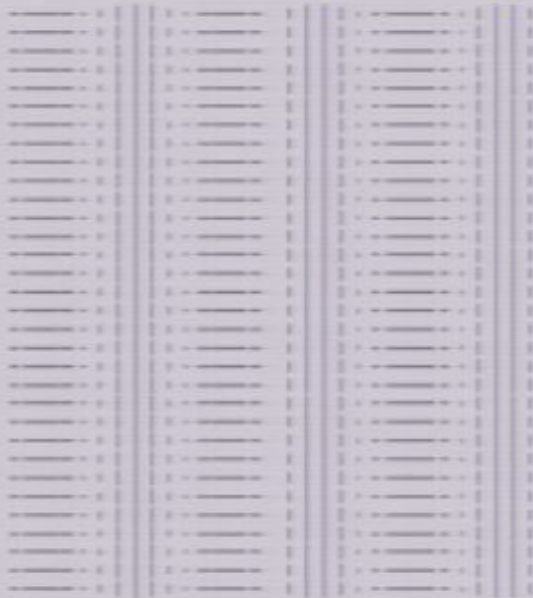
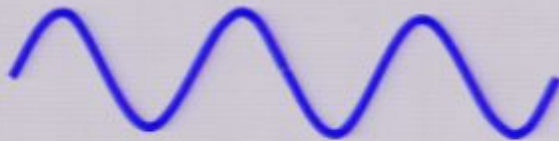
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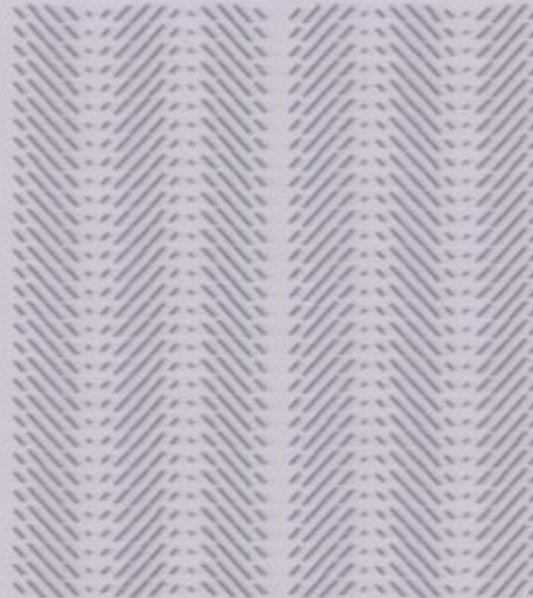
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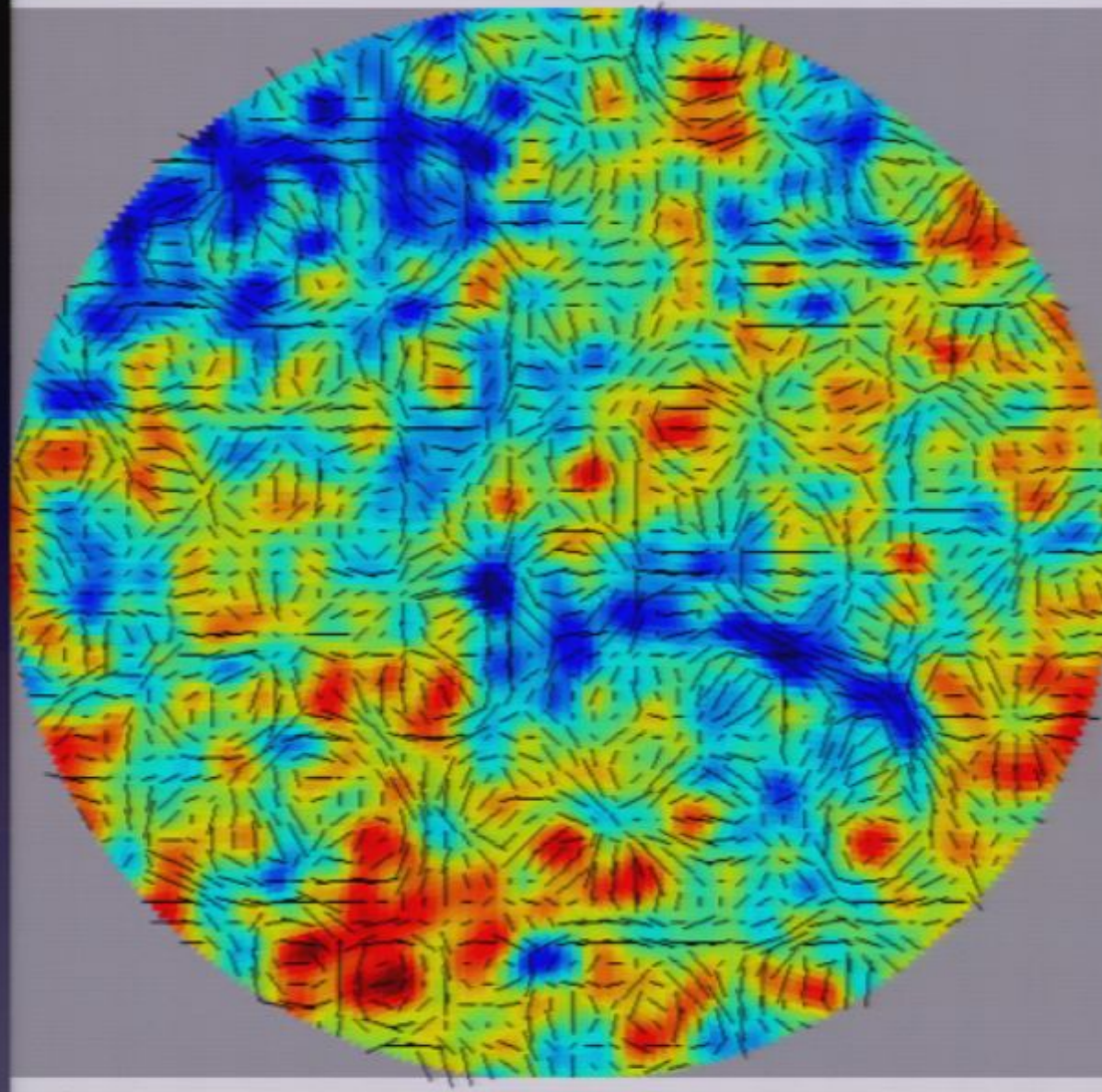
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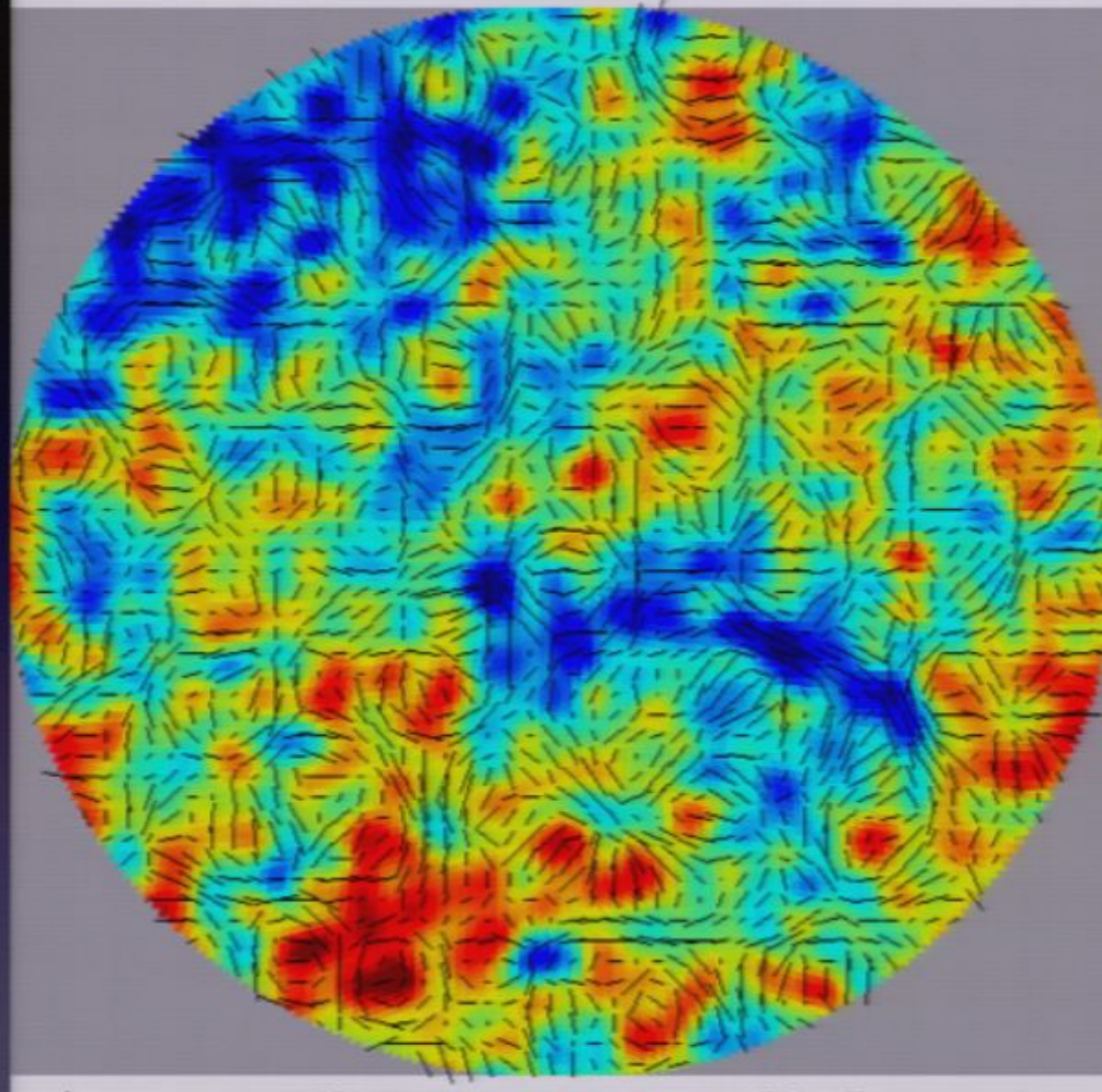
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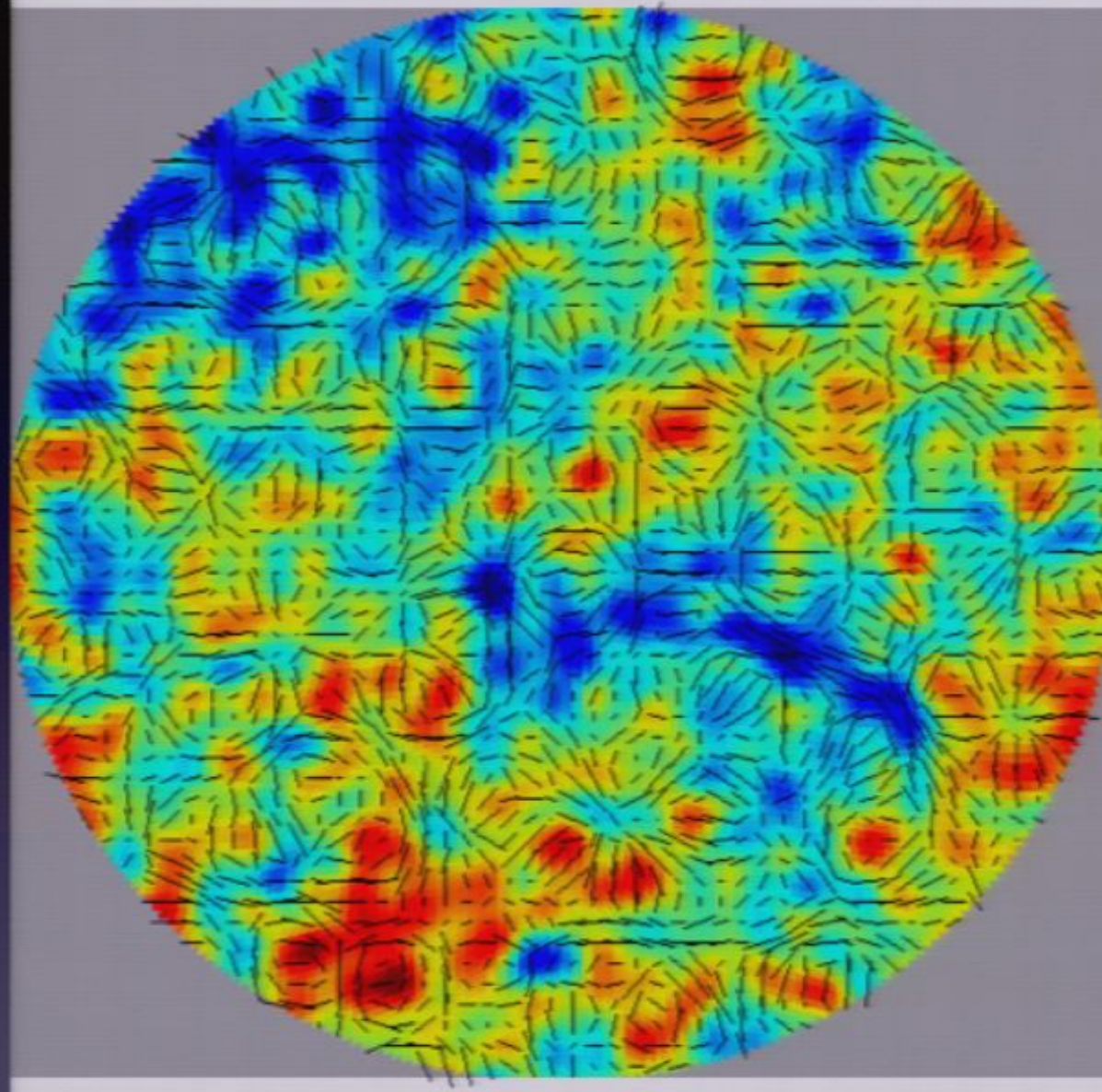
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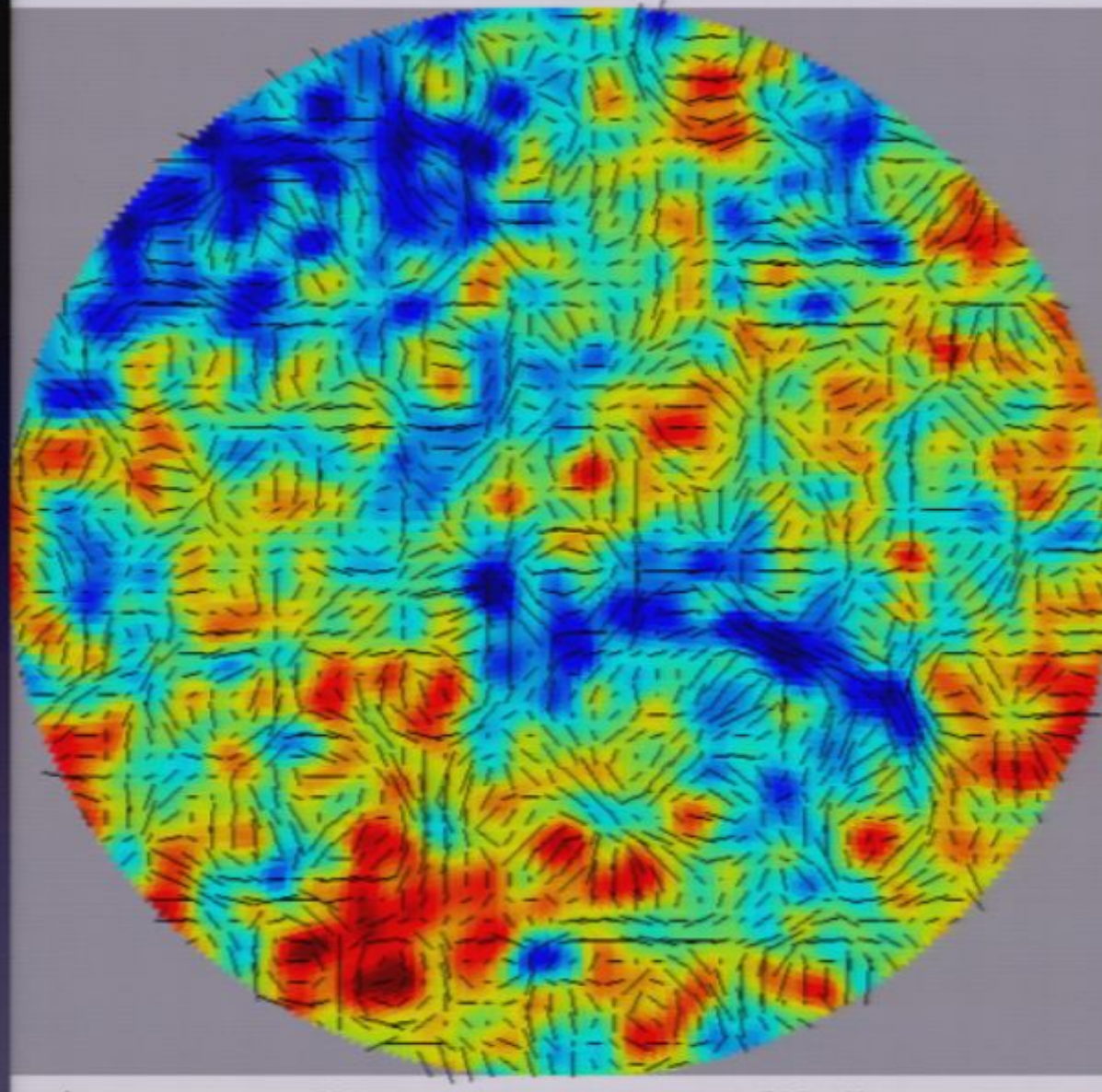
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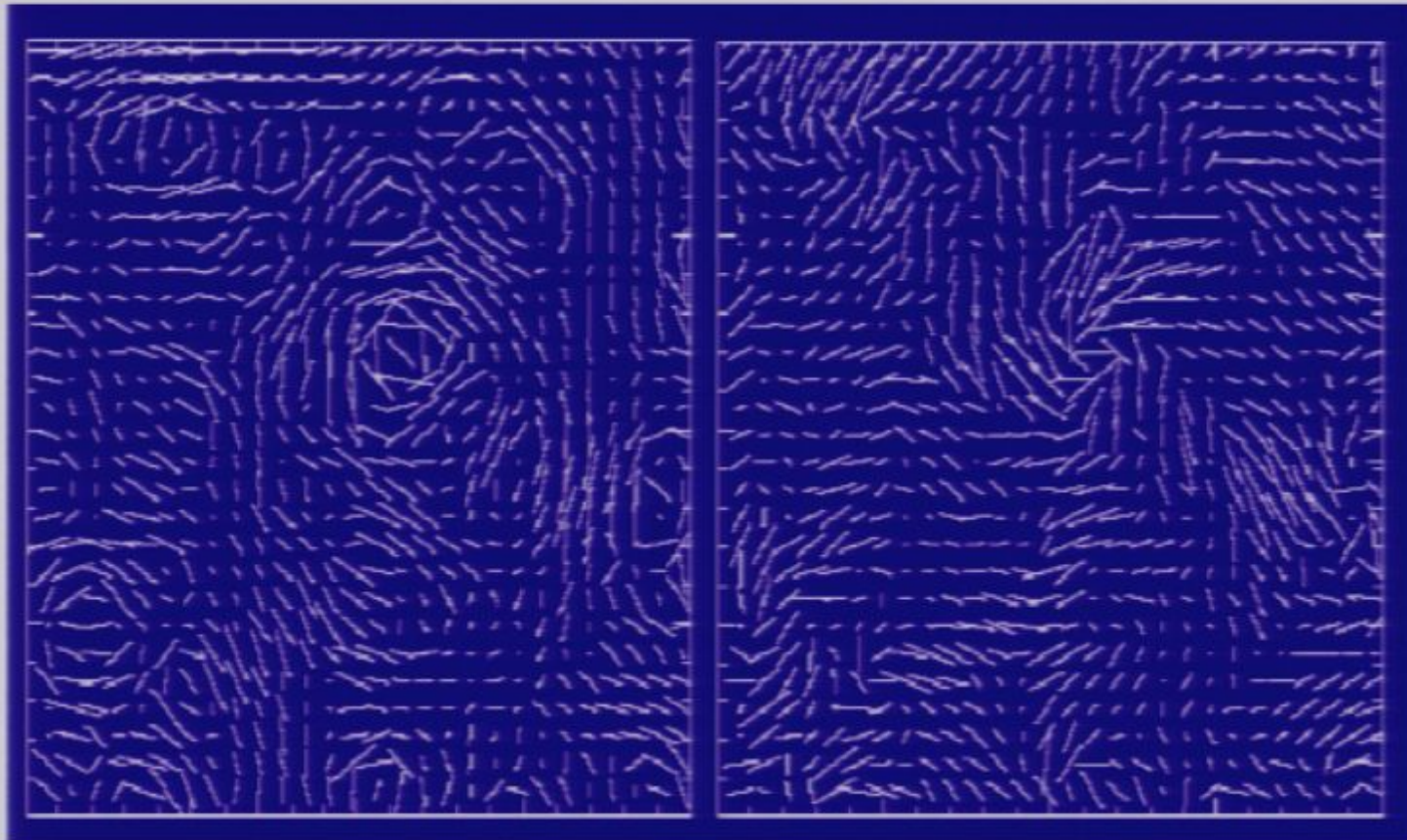
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It's clearly impossible to “see” curl effects in map space, so we resolve map into E/B

Superimposing Many Fourier Modes:

Pure E

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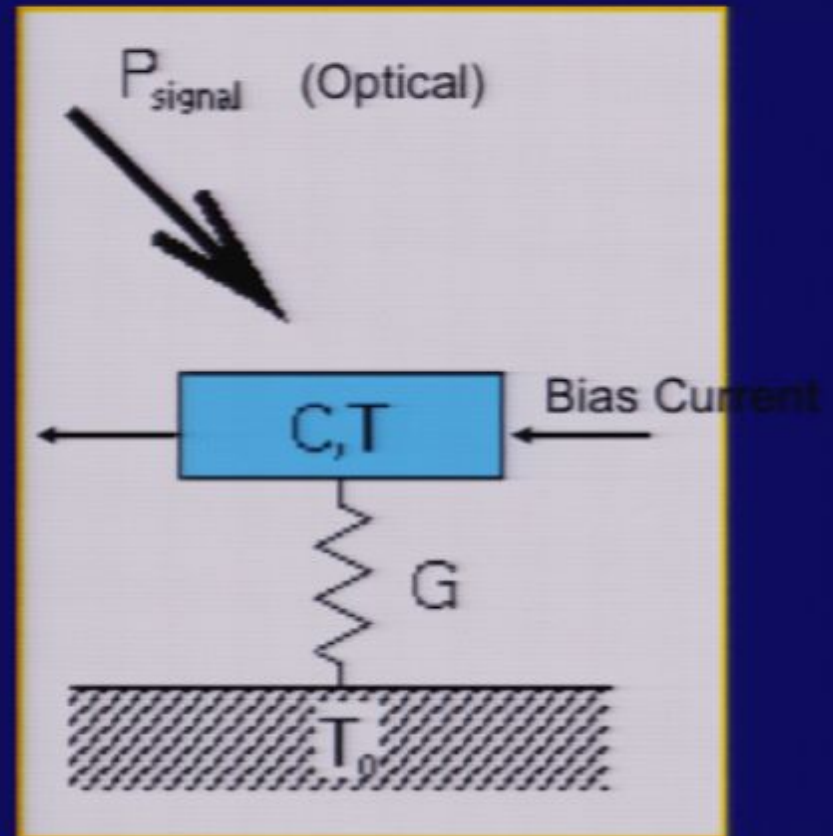
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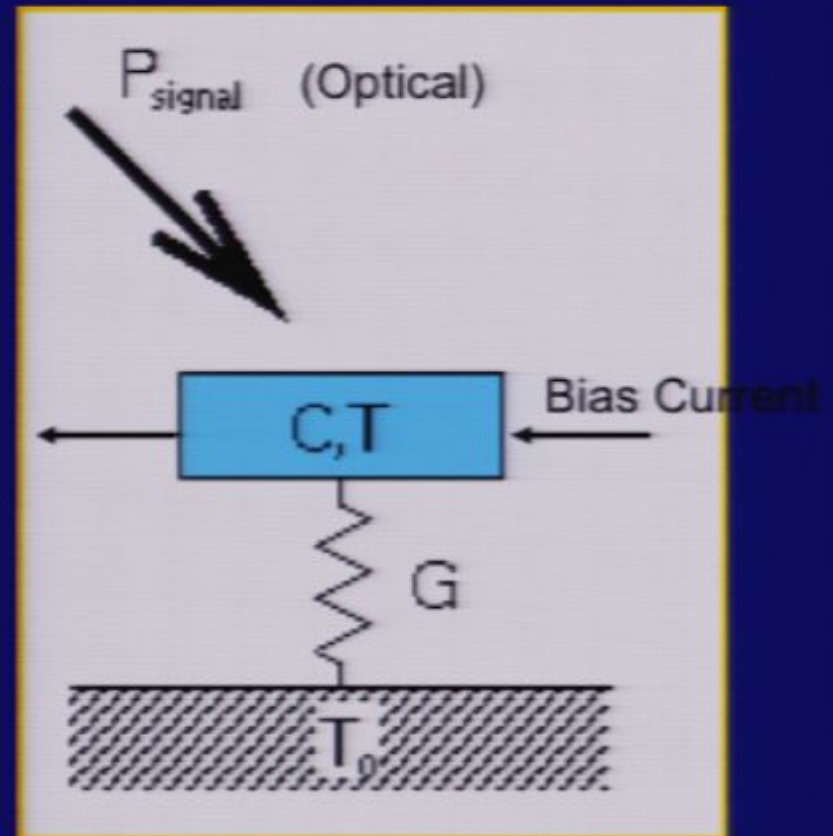
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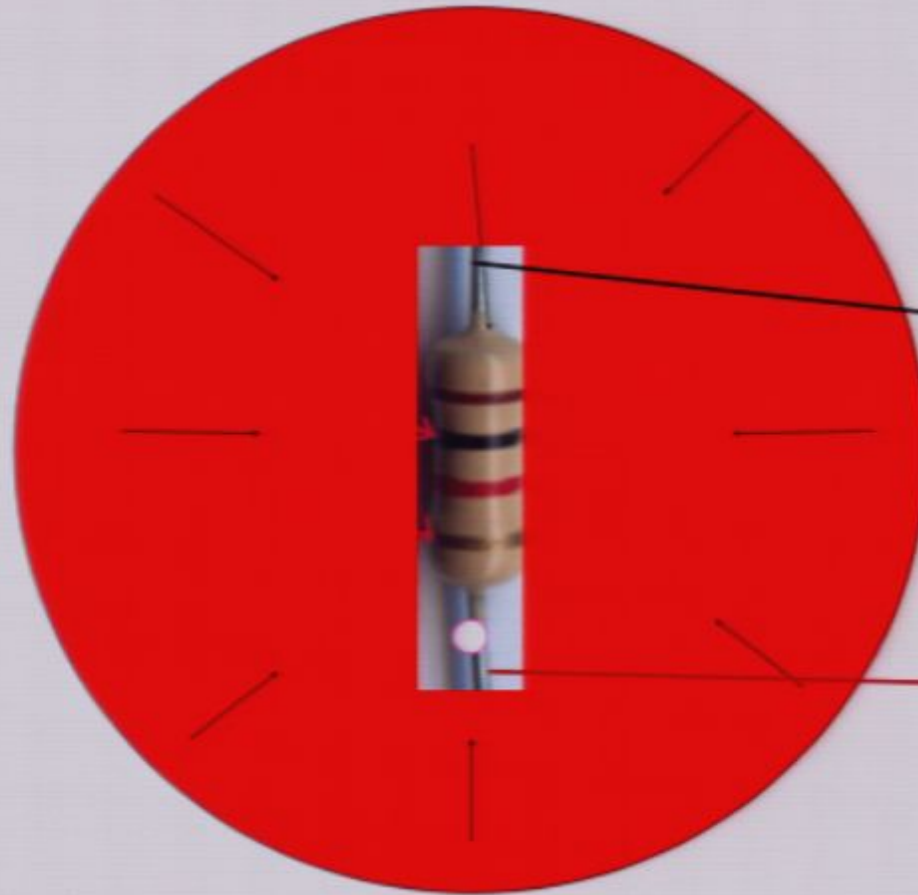
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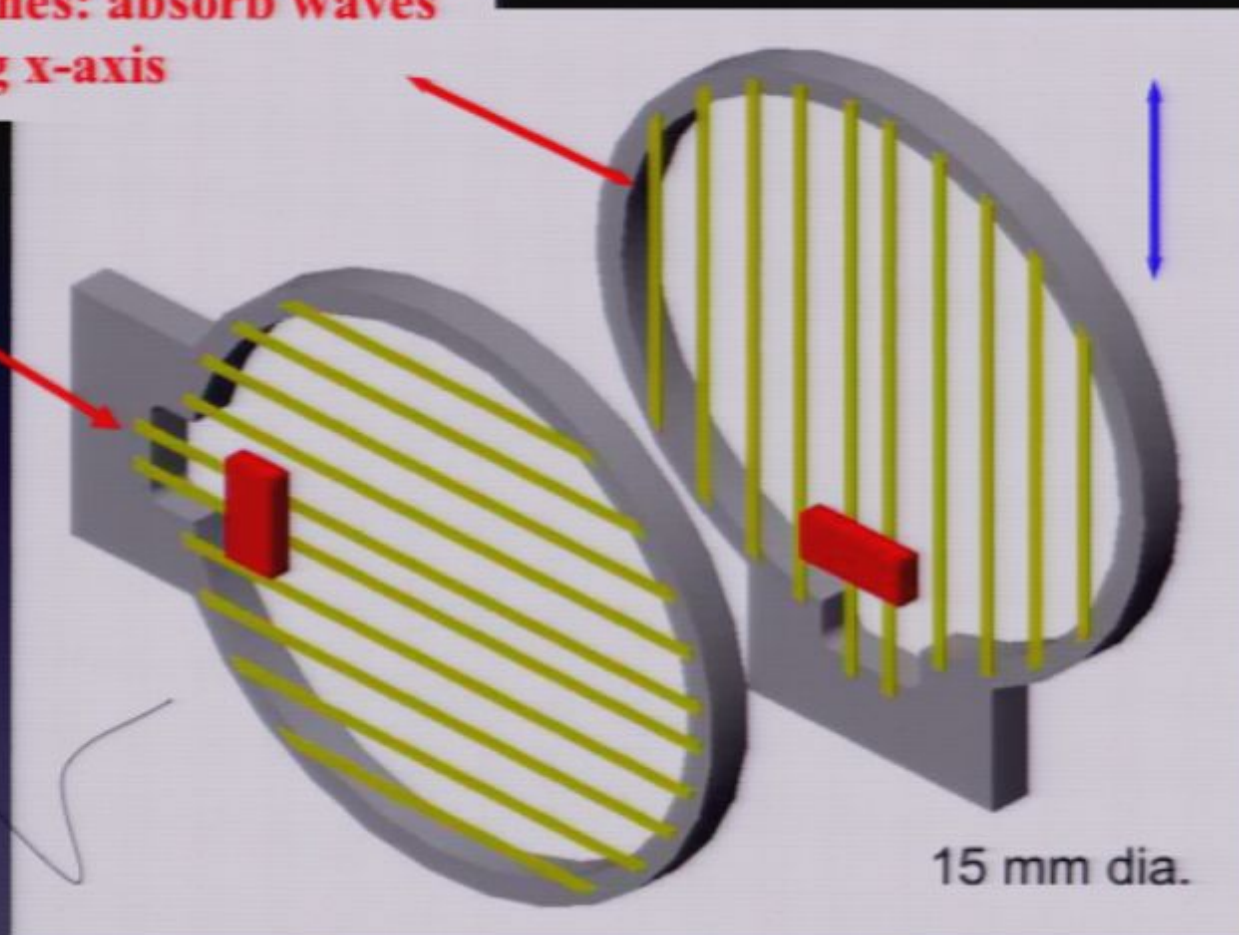
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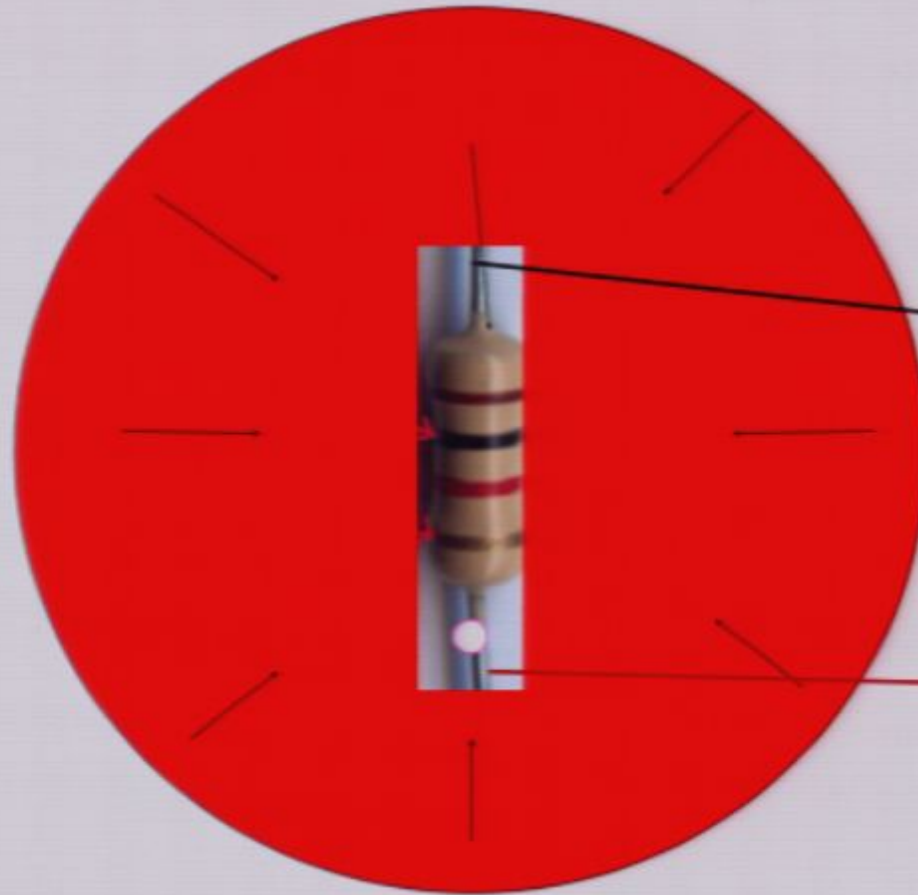
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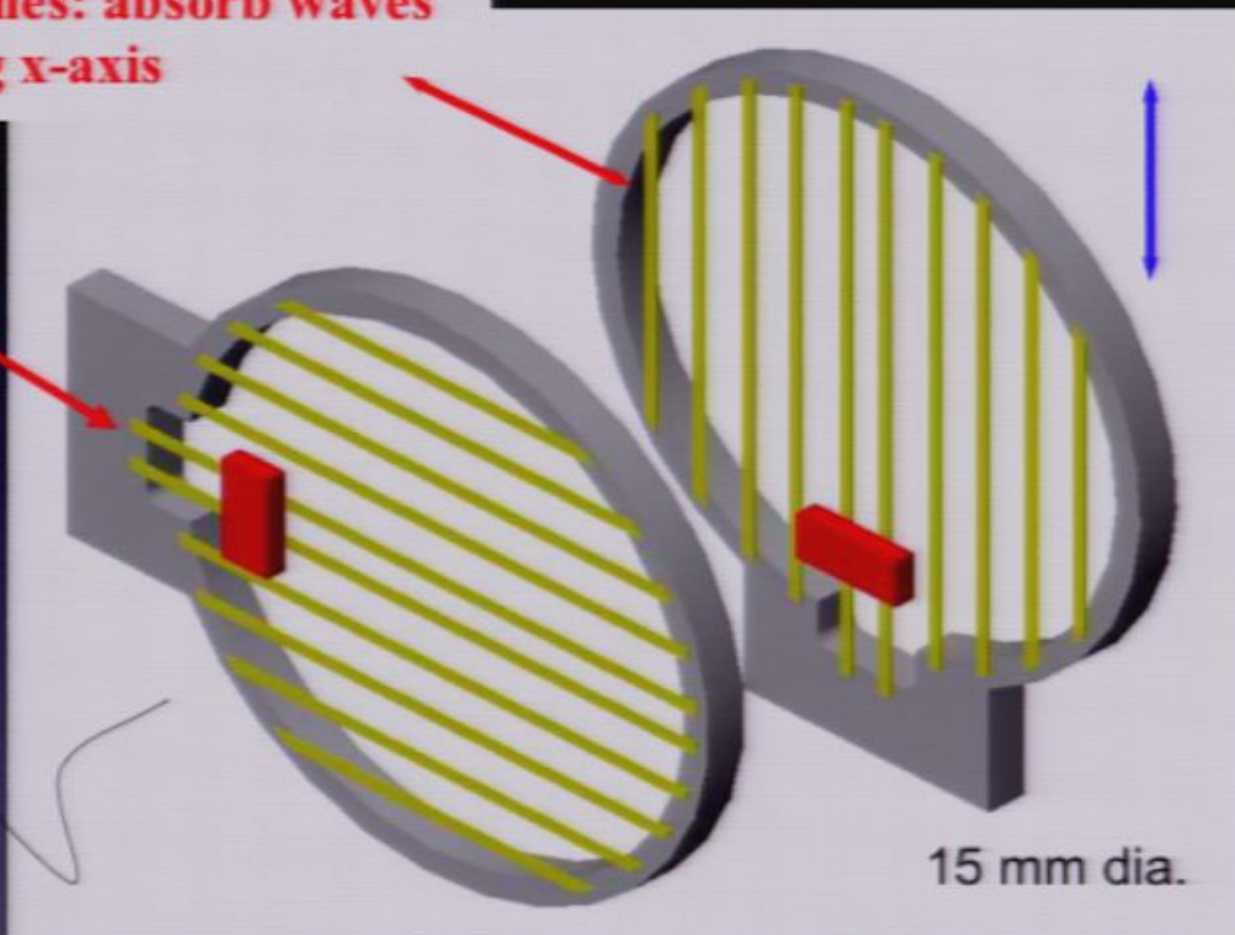
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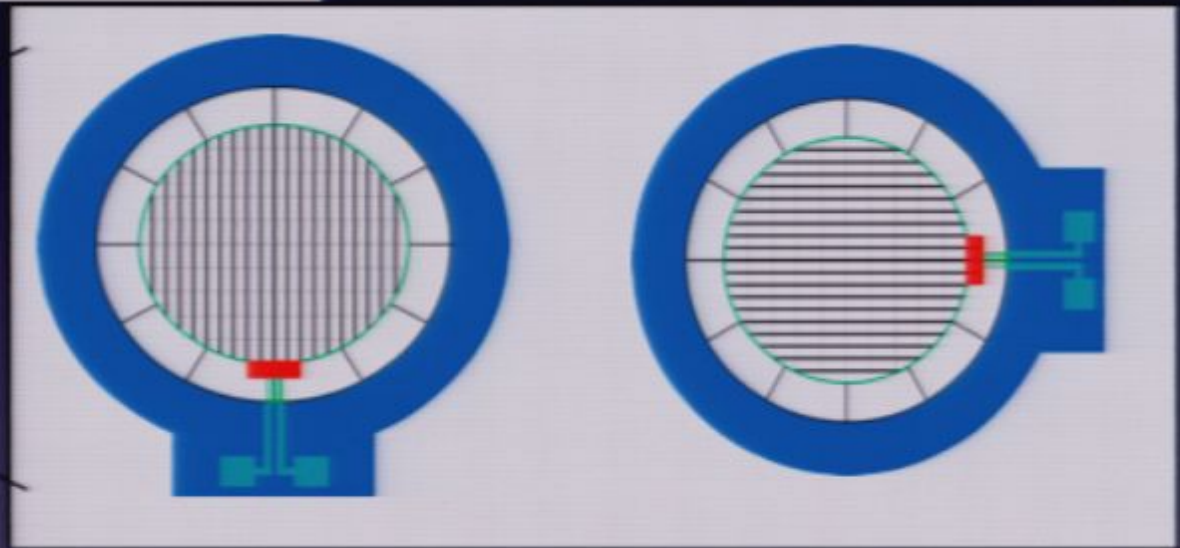
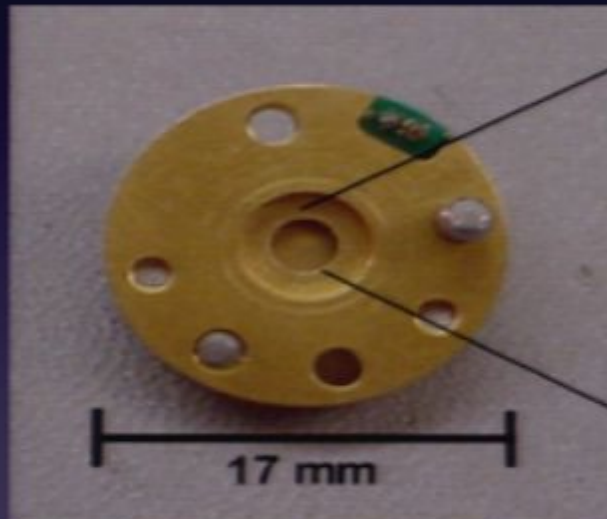
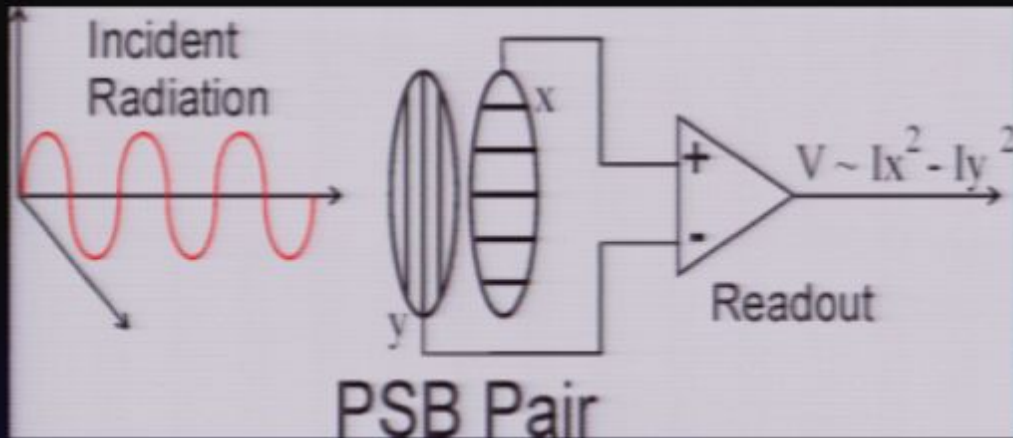
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PSB Pair = Two ORTHOGONAL PSBs

Orthogonal polarization mode detectors share same feed, filter & optics stack.

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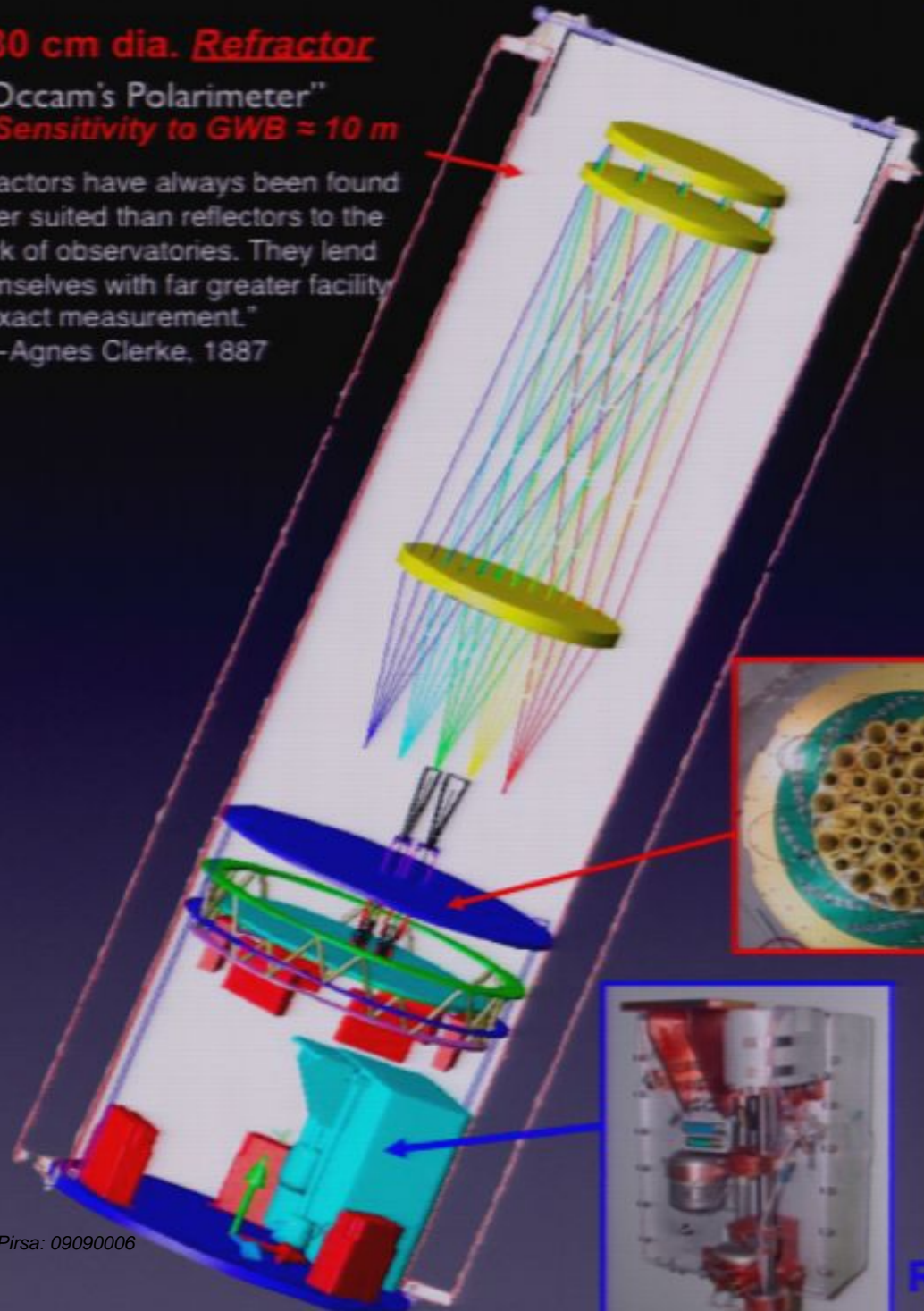
30 cm dia. *Refractor*

"Occam's Polarimeter"

Sensitivity to GWB ≈ 10 m

Refractors have always been found better suited than reflectors to the work of observatories. They lend themselves with far greater facility to exact measurement."

—Agnes Clerke, 1887

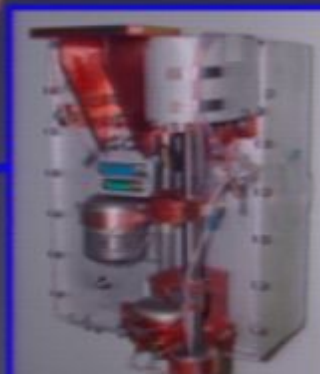
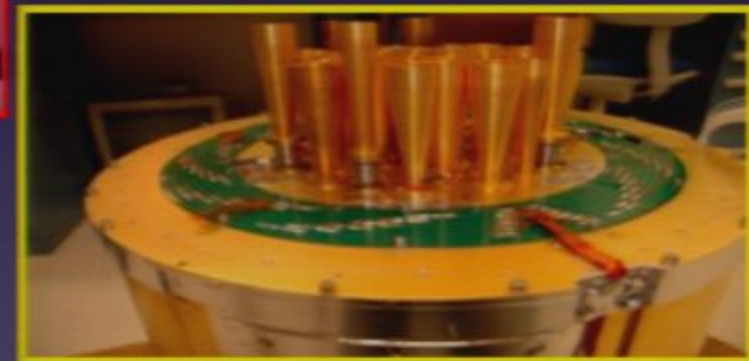


BICEP



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- **Wide-field of view (18° FOV)**
- **Fidelity – "clean" (like COBE/DASI)**
 - 0.5° resolution (2 Pixels @220 GHz)
 - 0.7° (22 pixels @ 150 GHz)
 - 0.9° (25 pixels @100 GHz)
- **49 feed-horns (pixels) each with 2 polarization-sensitive bolometers cooled to 250 mK**



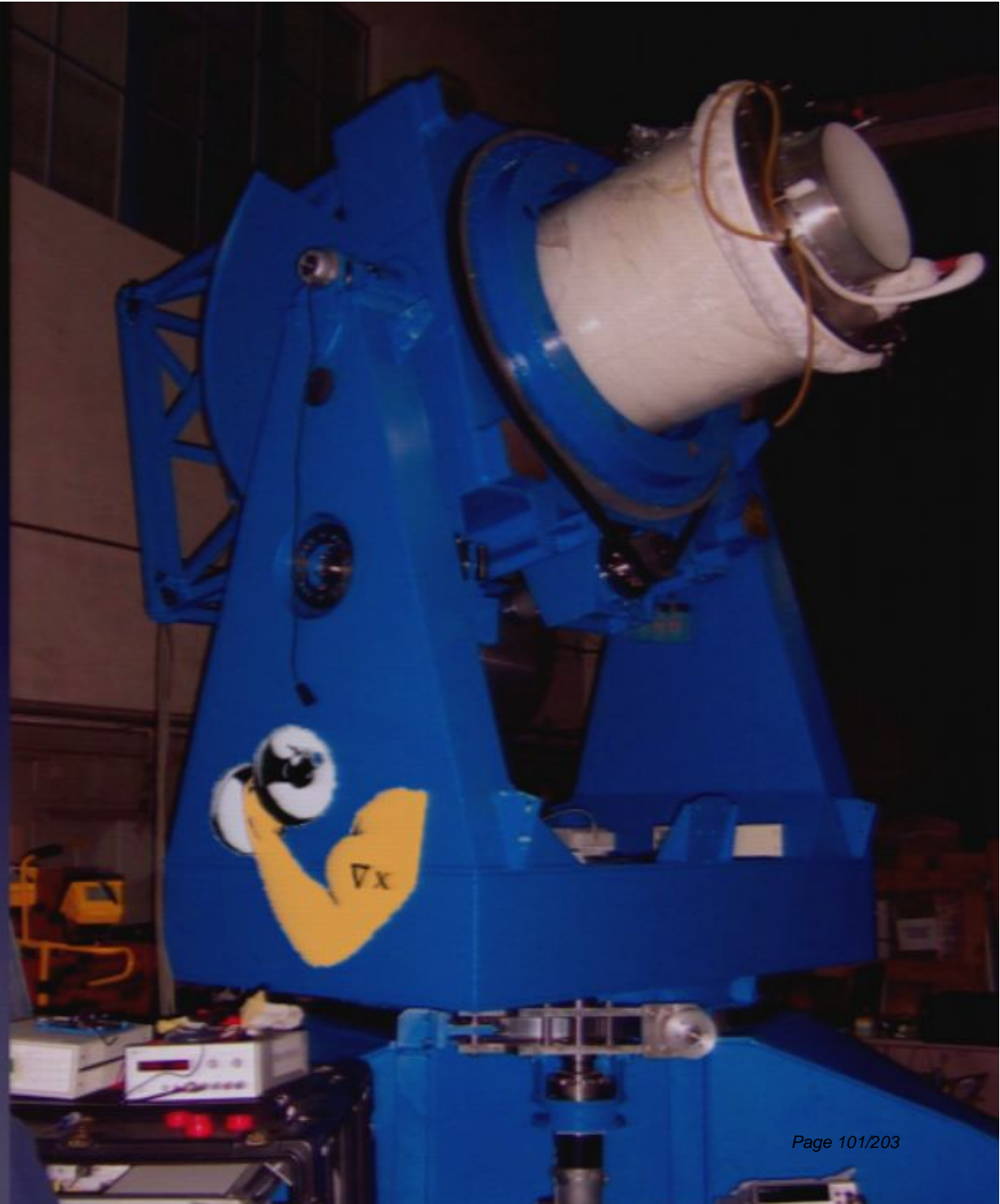
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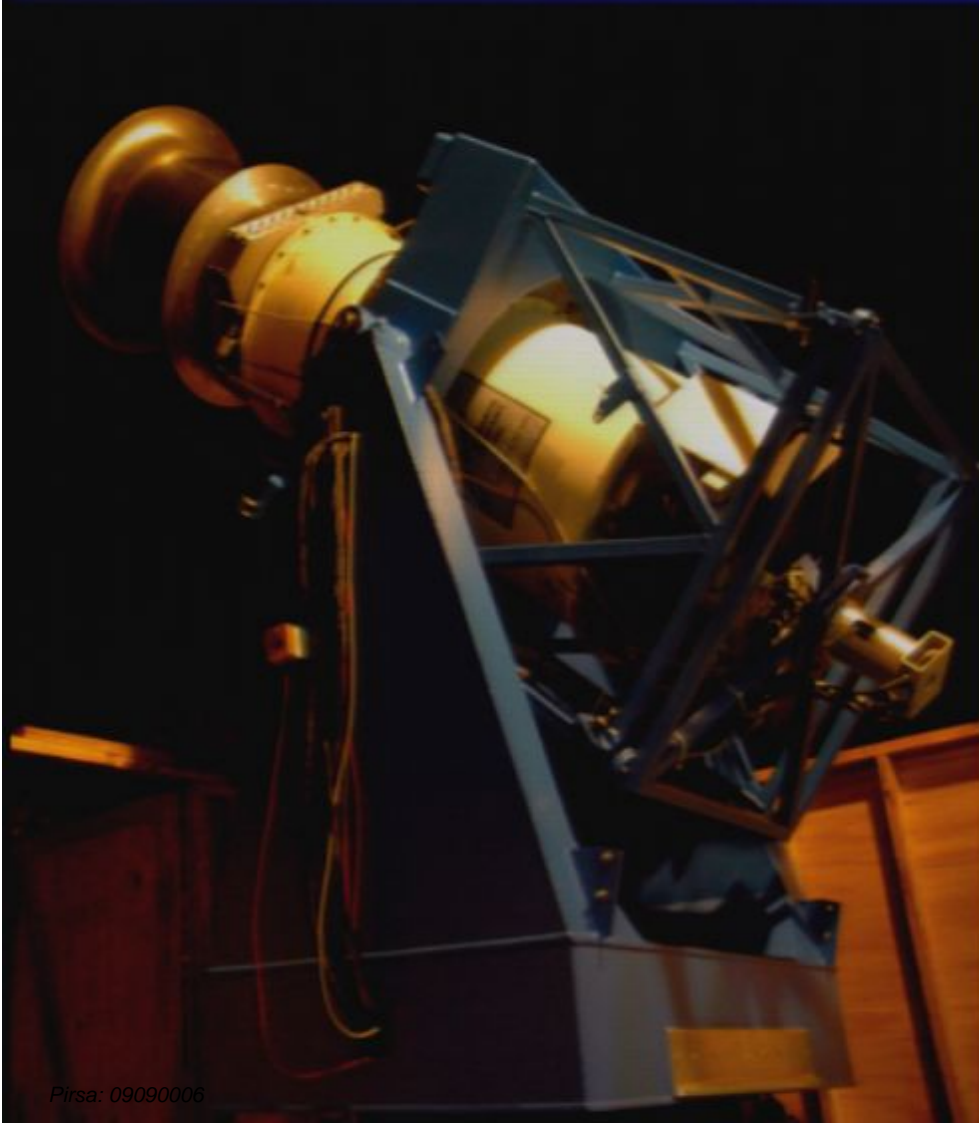
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first dedicated B-mode experiment. Also, the first entirely cooled telescope for CMB (temperature or polarization).

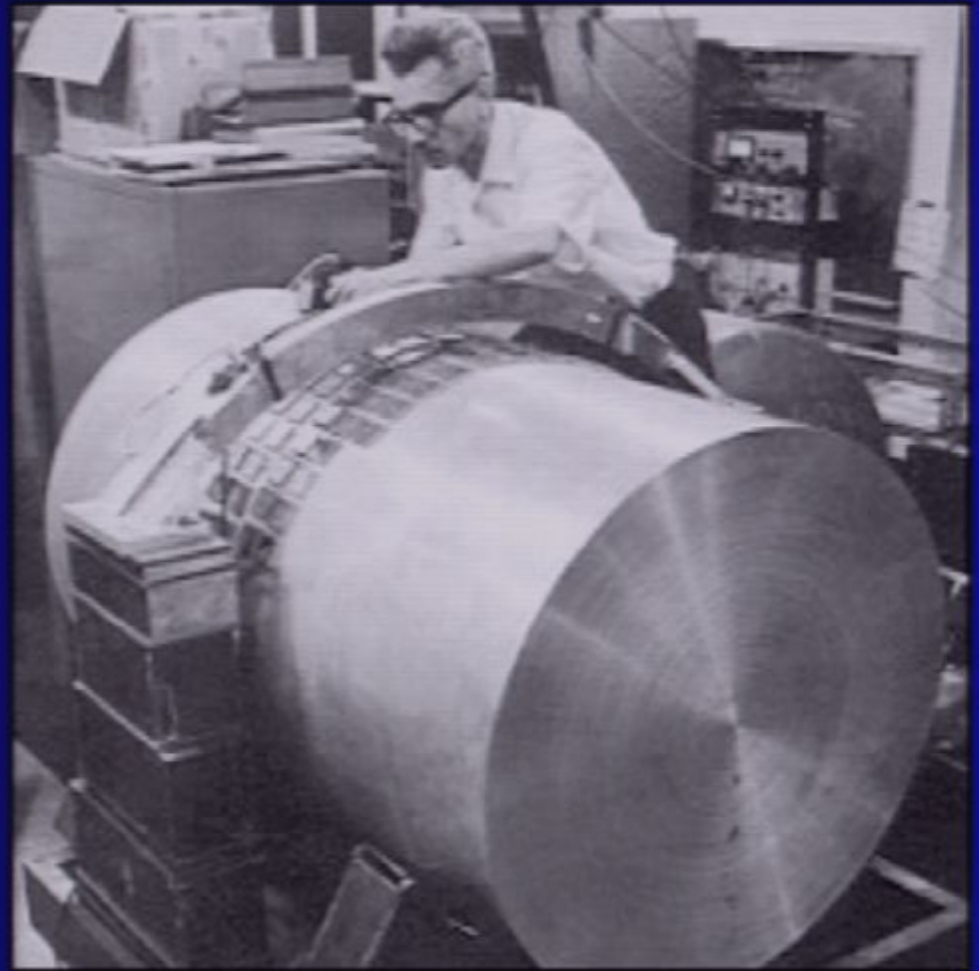
Since BICEP, many similar concepts for large angular scale polarimeters (in the US, France, and England)!



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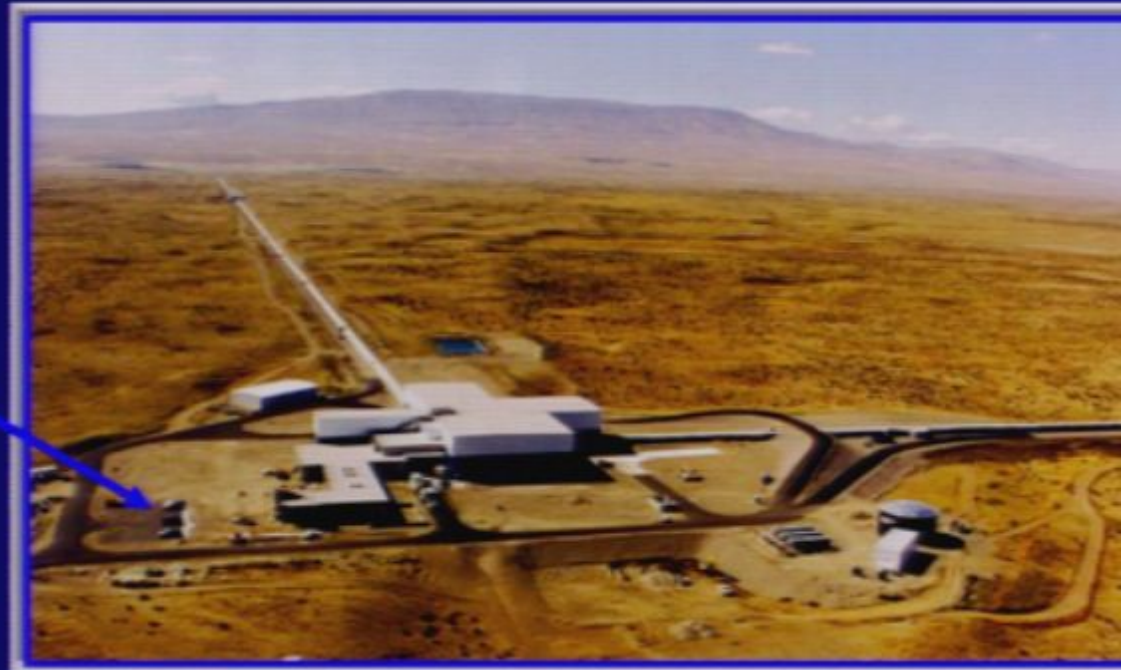
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GRAVITATIONAL WAVE DETECTOR

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It's the highest driest coldest and darkest continent









From my window seat

Catch a taxi into town



No traffic or construction delays on local freeways

Pickup some local currency



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Hit the local non-smoking bar





or, hit the local smoking bar!

Next day hop a flight for the Pole...



6 FLIGHTS / DAY

BICEP

A large satellite dish antenna is mounted on a structure in the middle ground. An arrow points from the text 'BICEP' to the dish.

Land at the Airport



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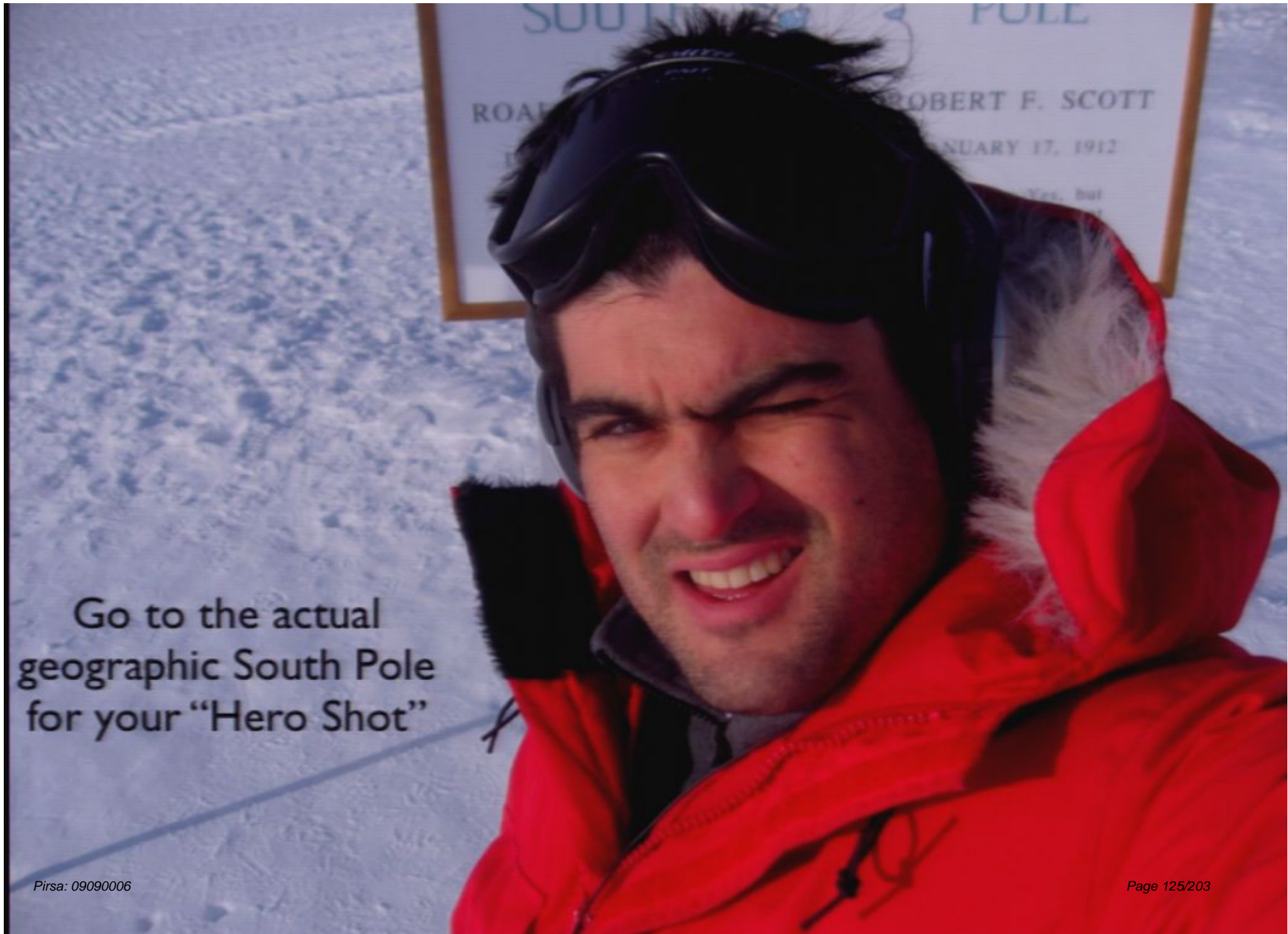


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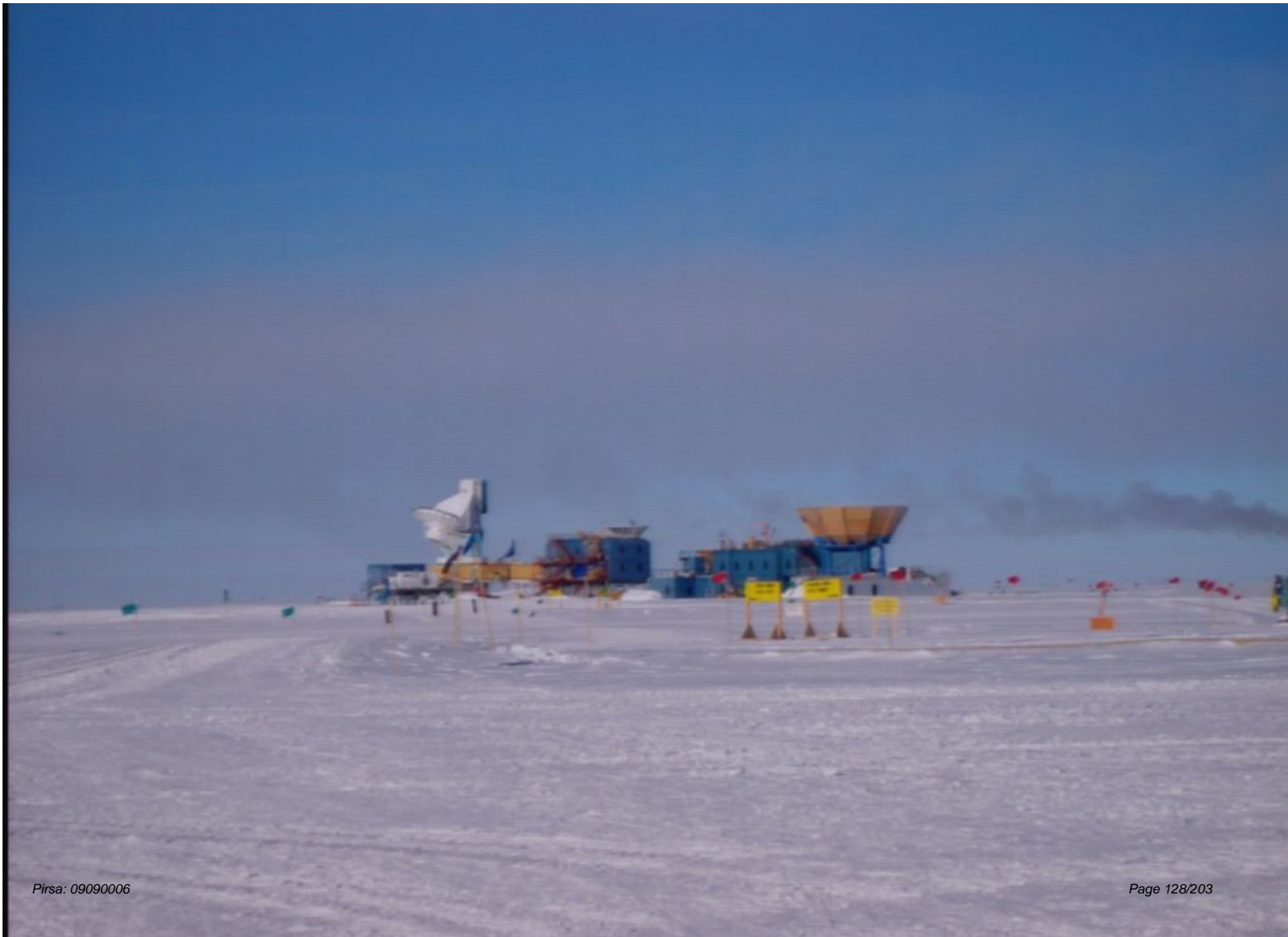


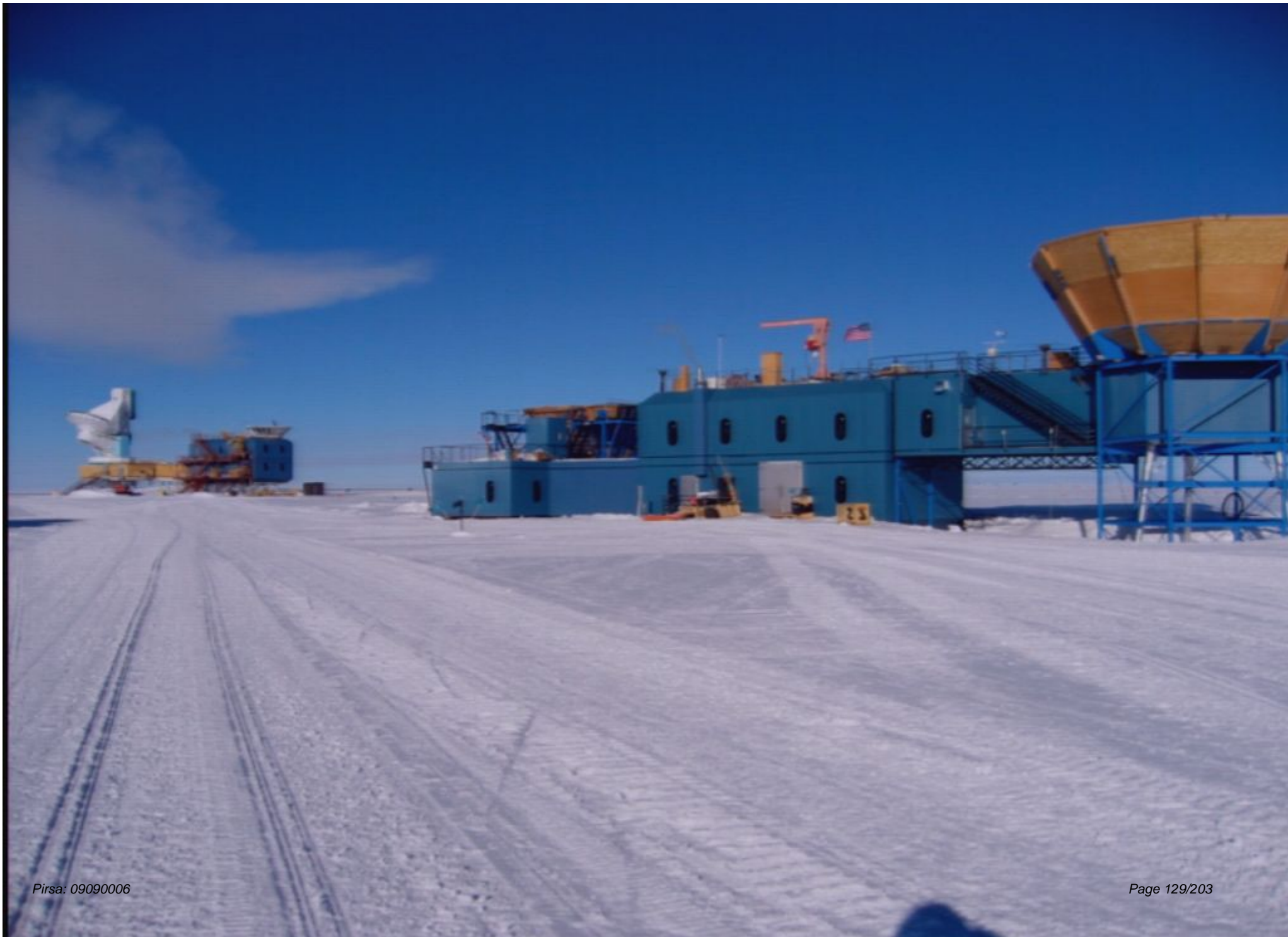


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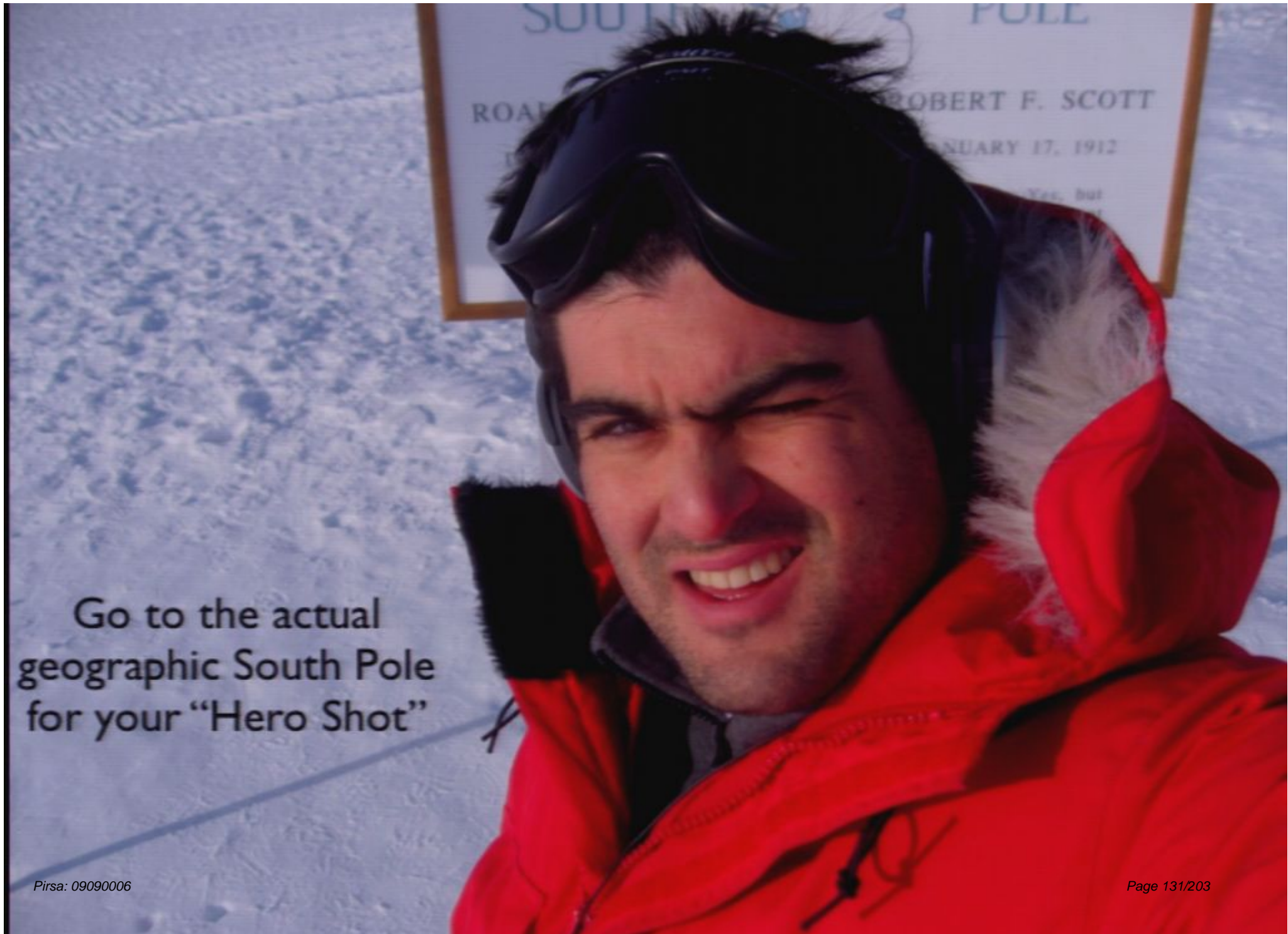
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BICEP & SPT

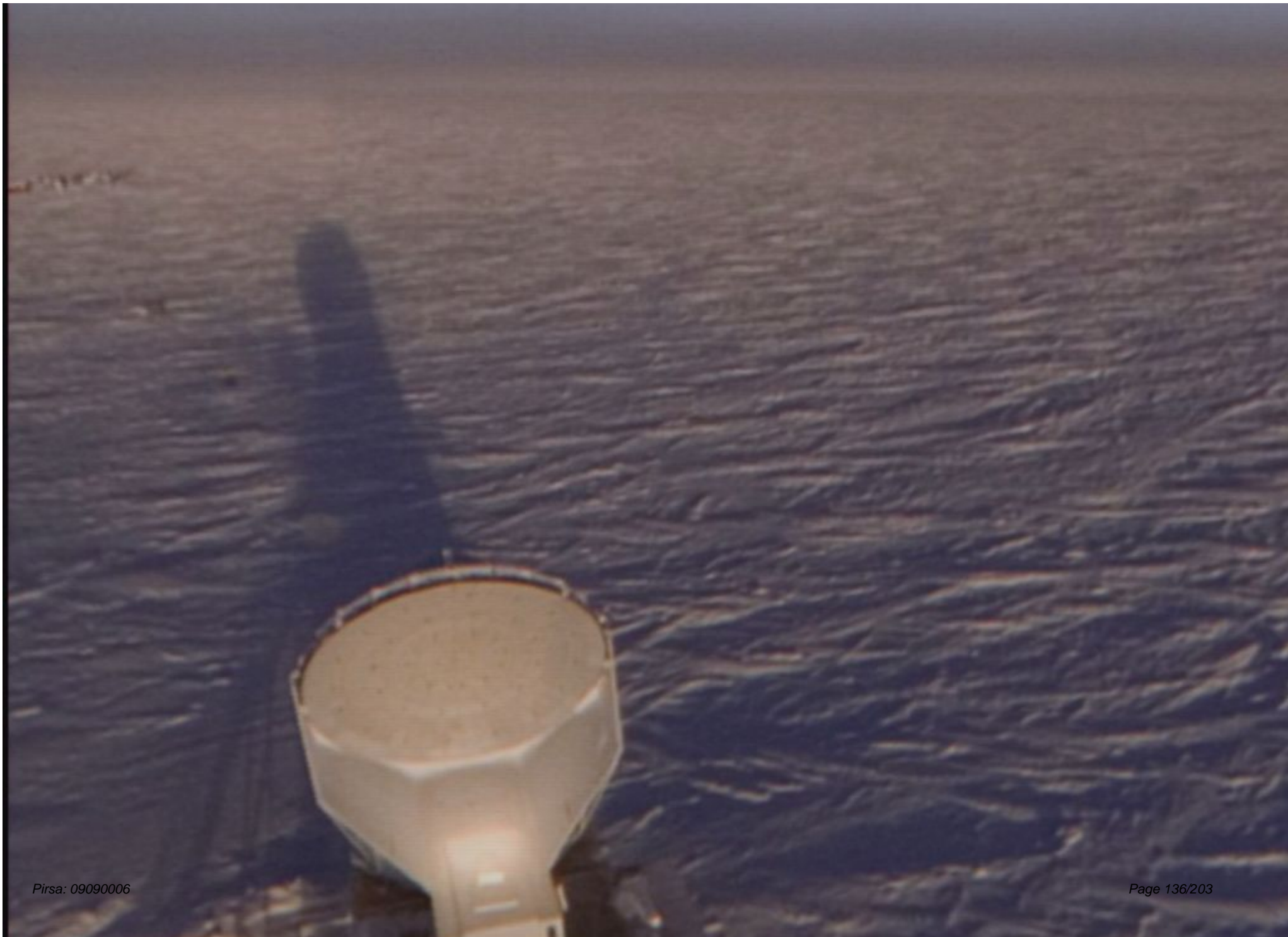


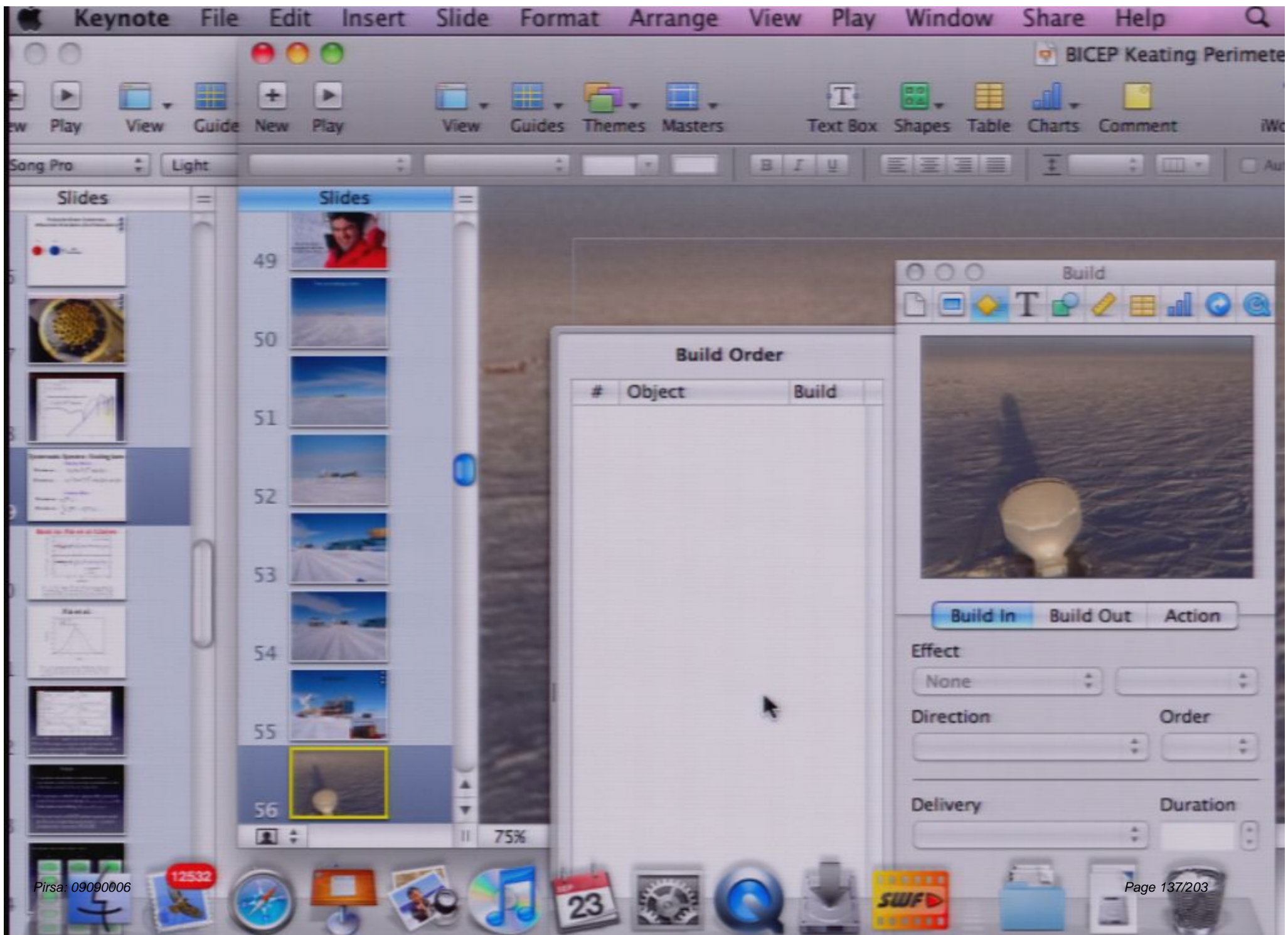
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Ummm....looks familiar!!!







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Build In Build Out Action

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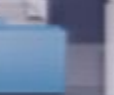
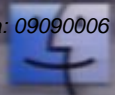
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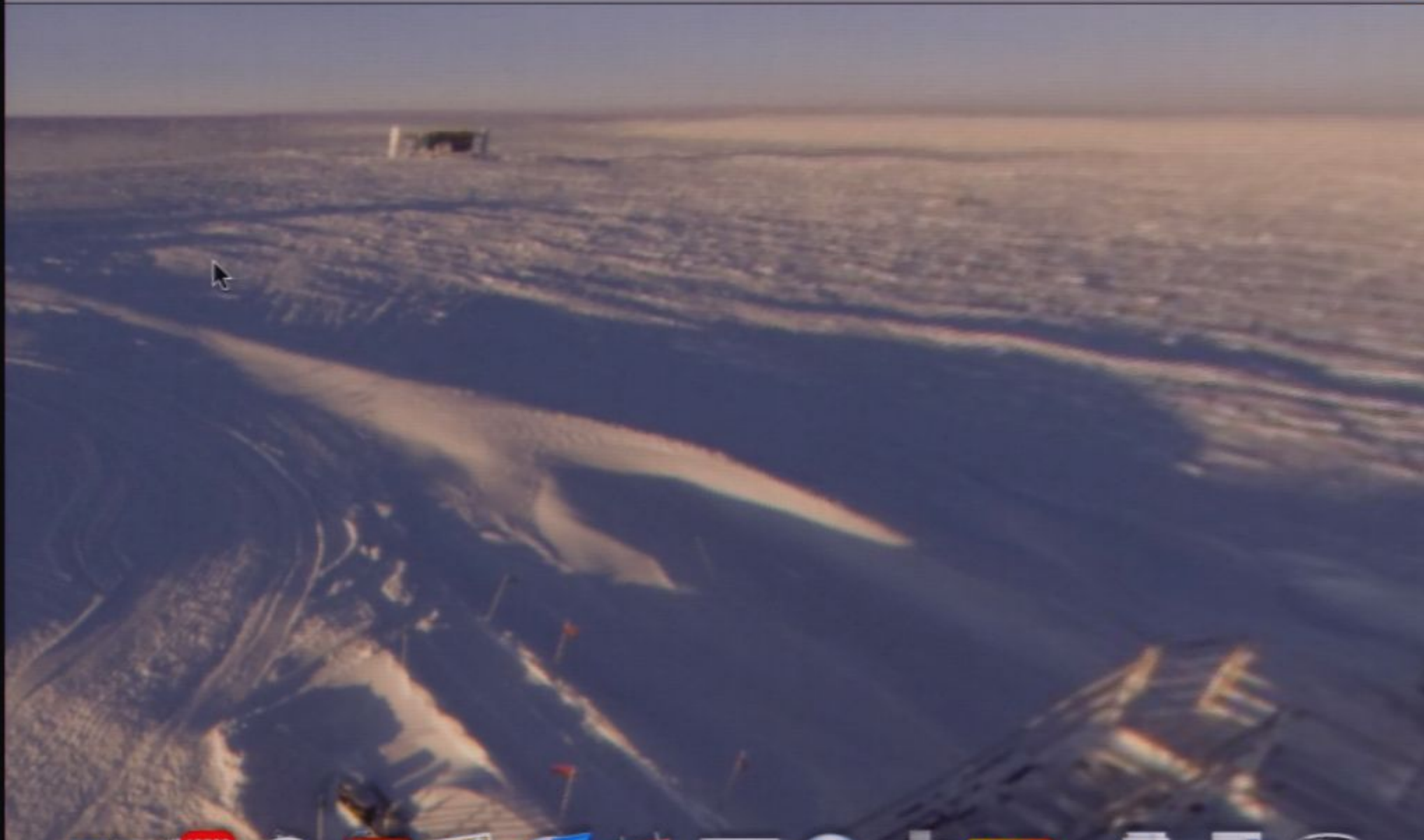
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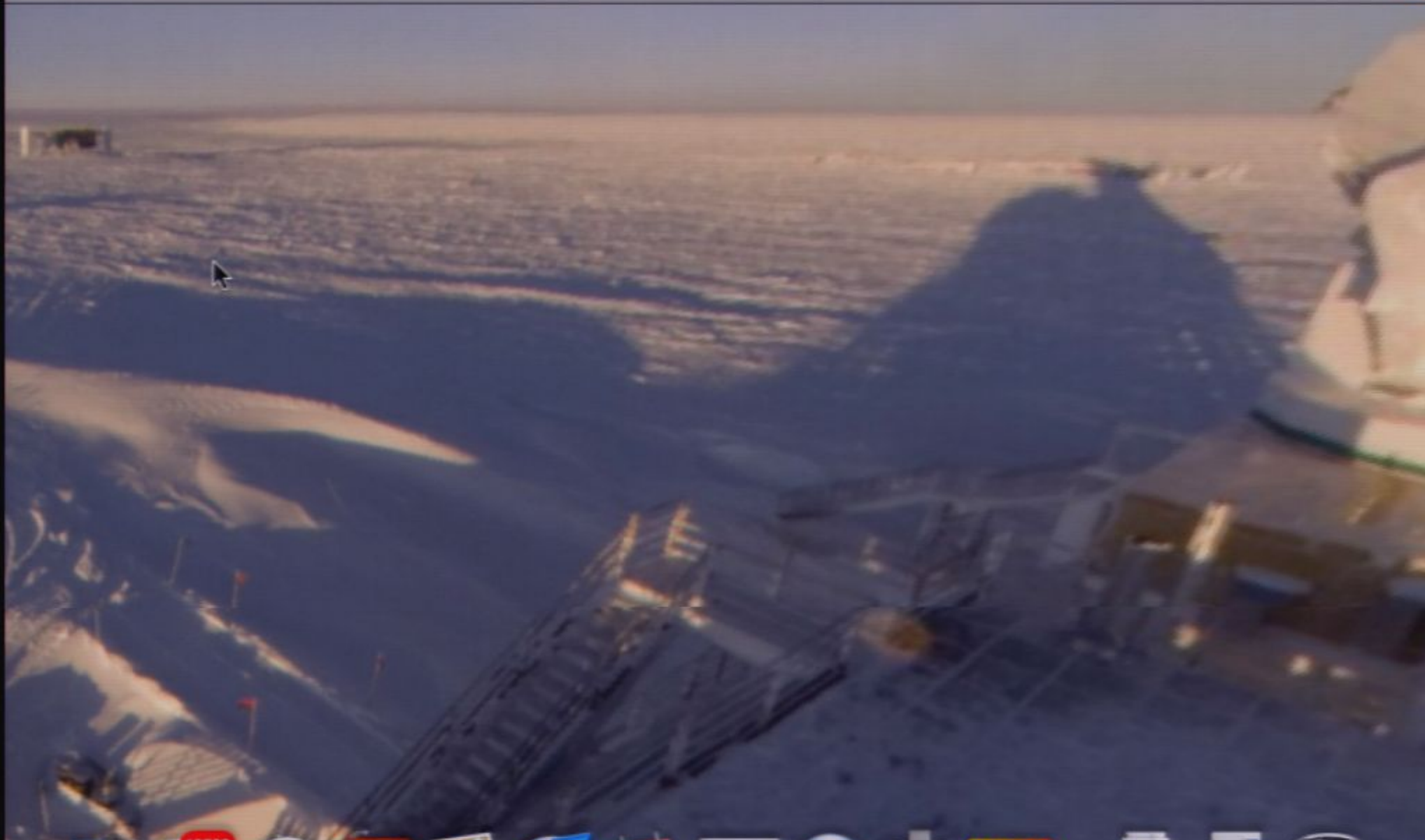
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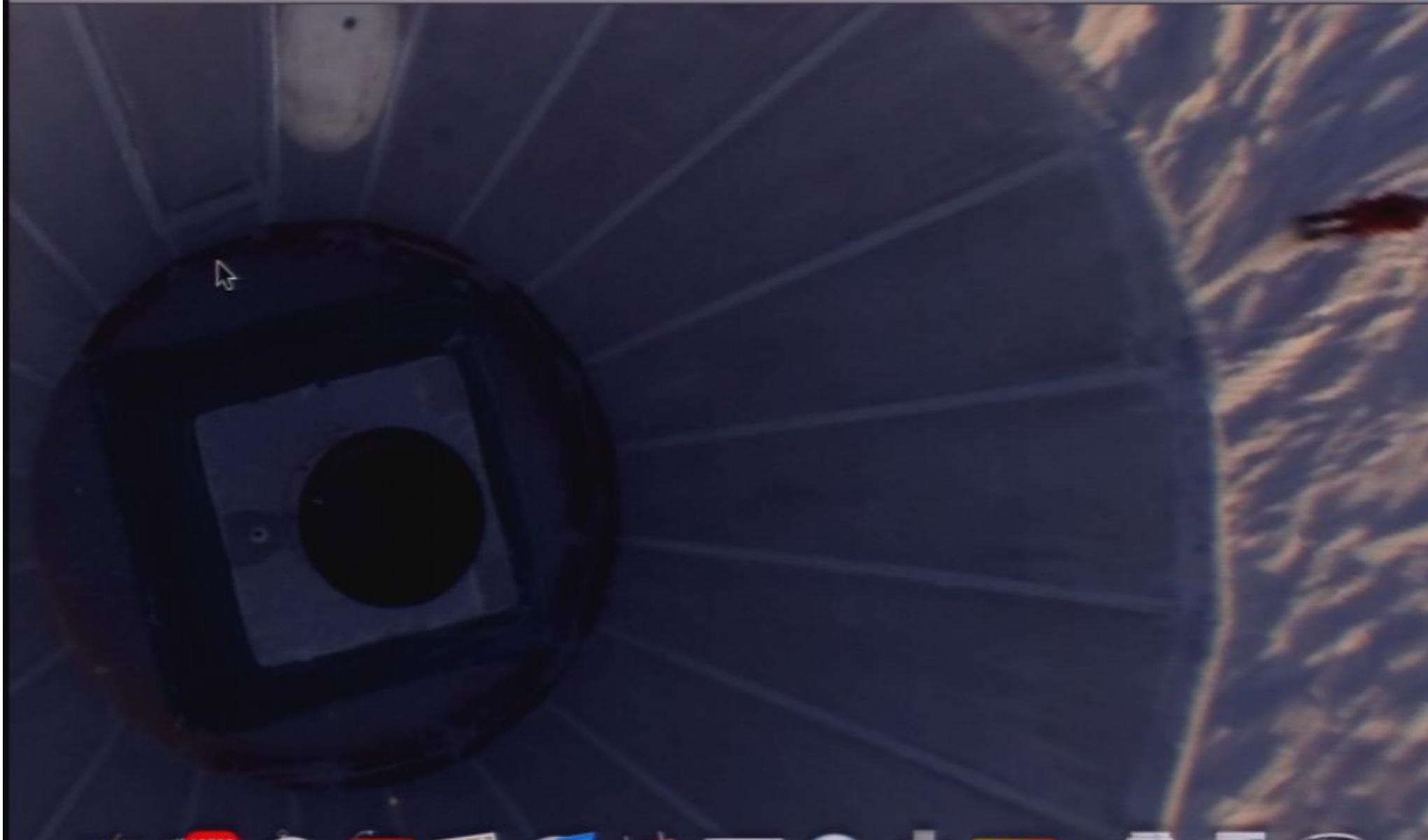
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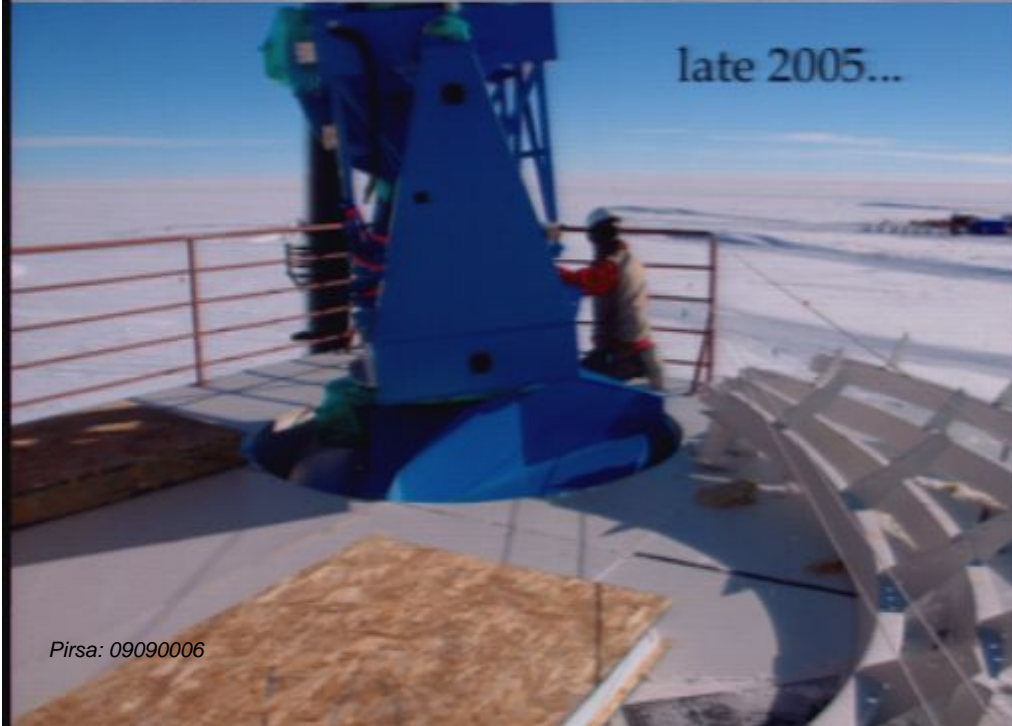
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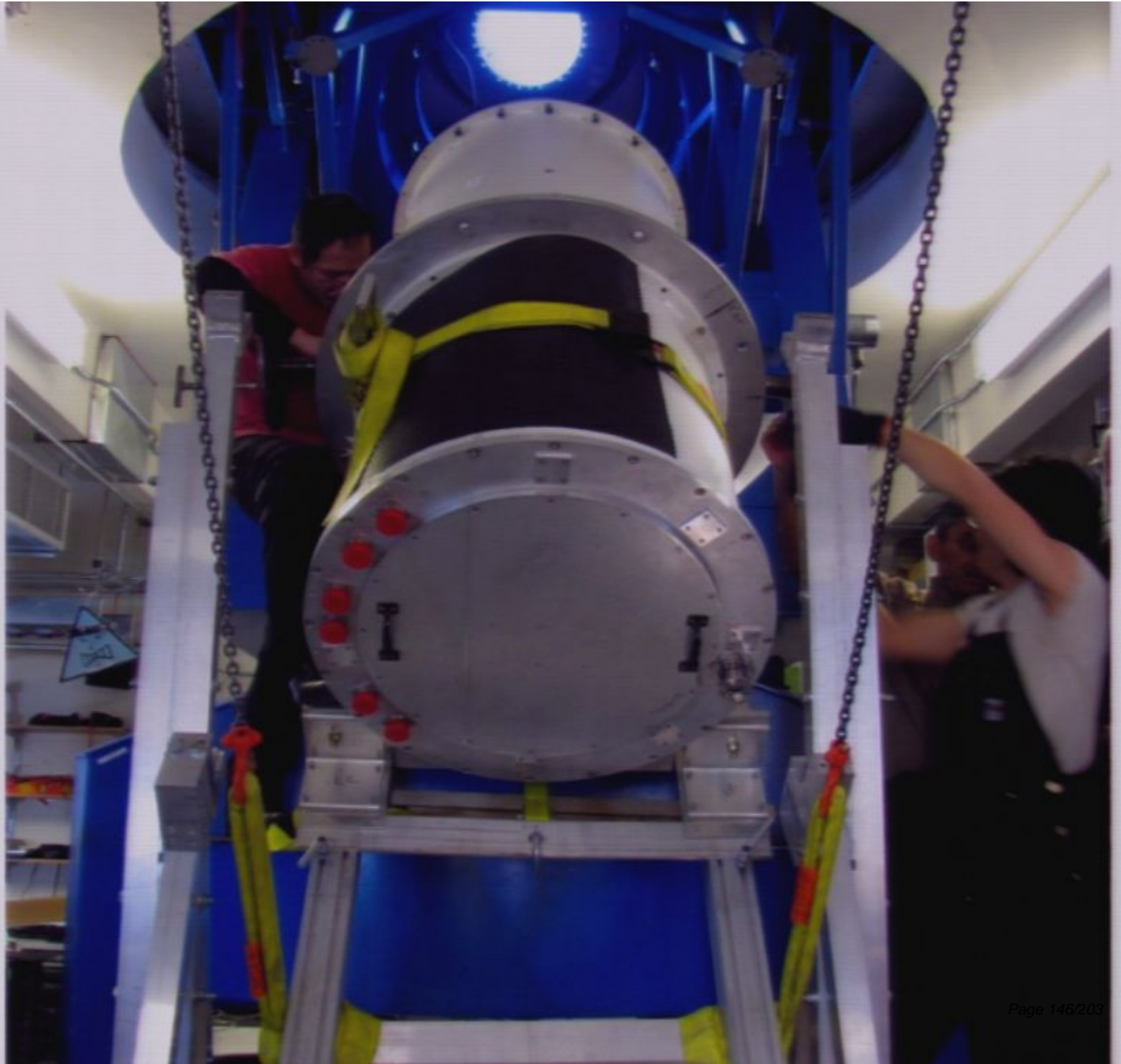


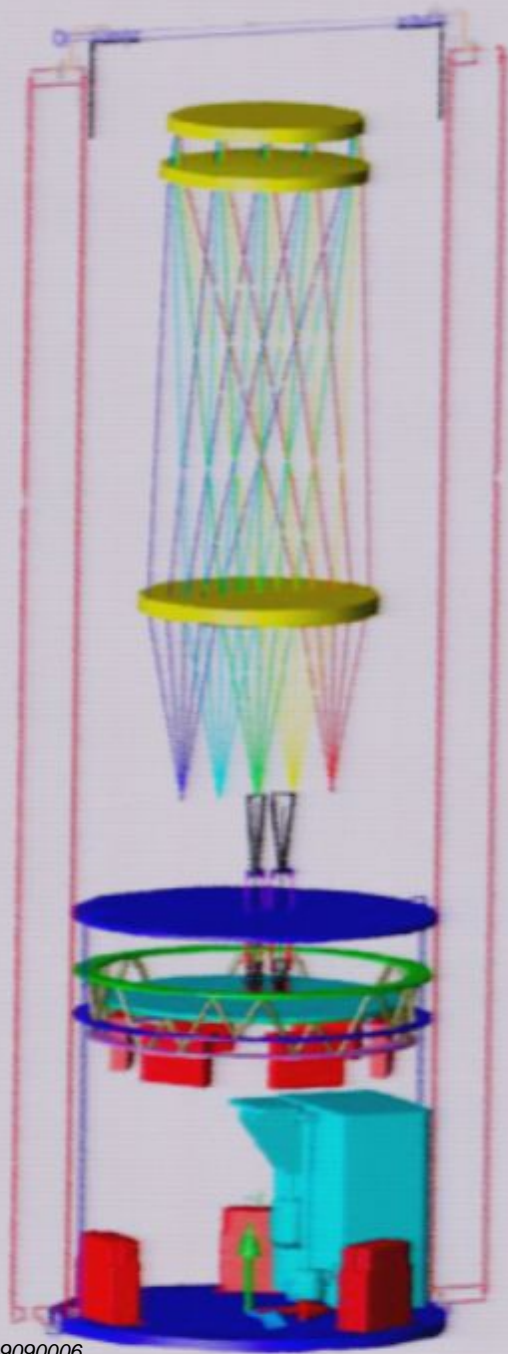
Dark Sector Laboratory



late 2005...



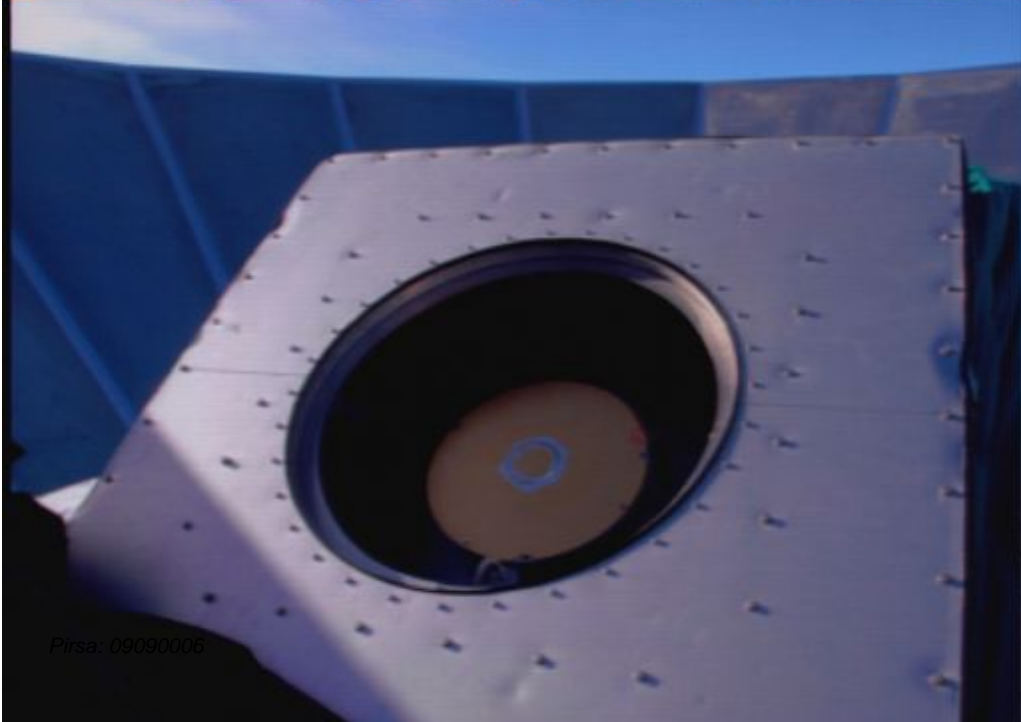




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Early January 2006:
a working instrument!

The smell of *cold cash* attracts the dignitaries



25 congressmen/women,
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January 12, 2006

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Senator McCain:

To detect Inflation, BICEP
needs more stimulus!

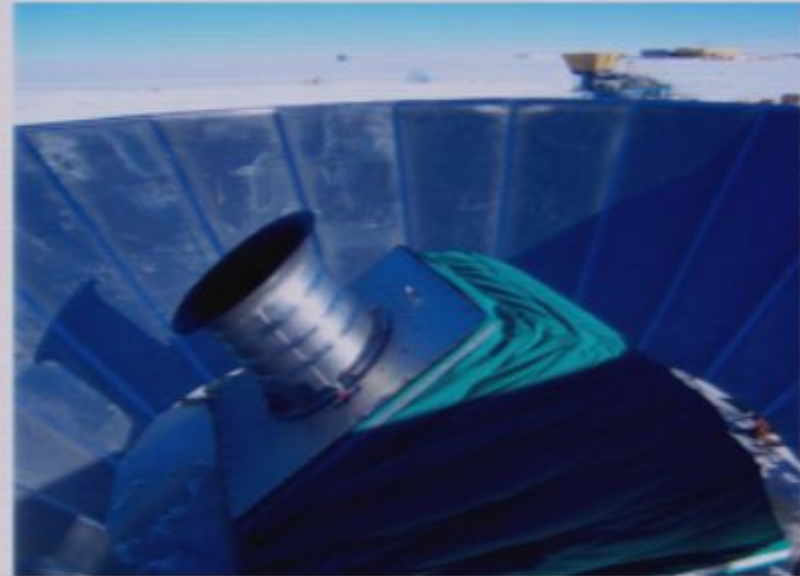
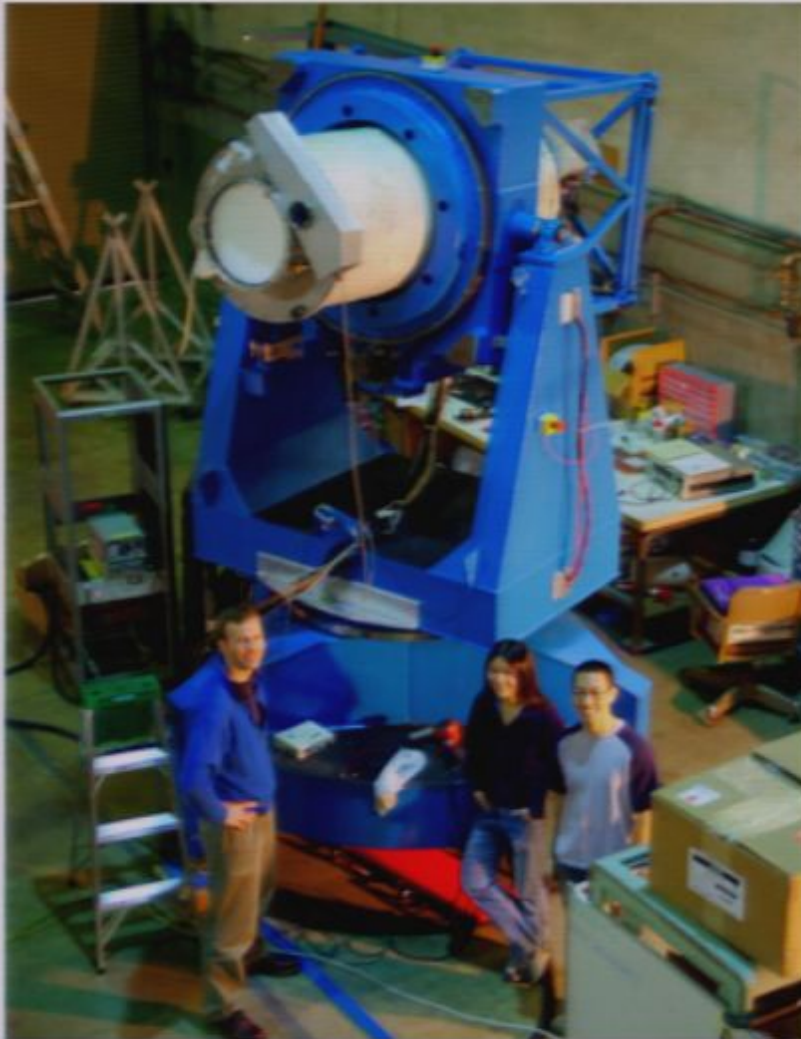
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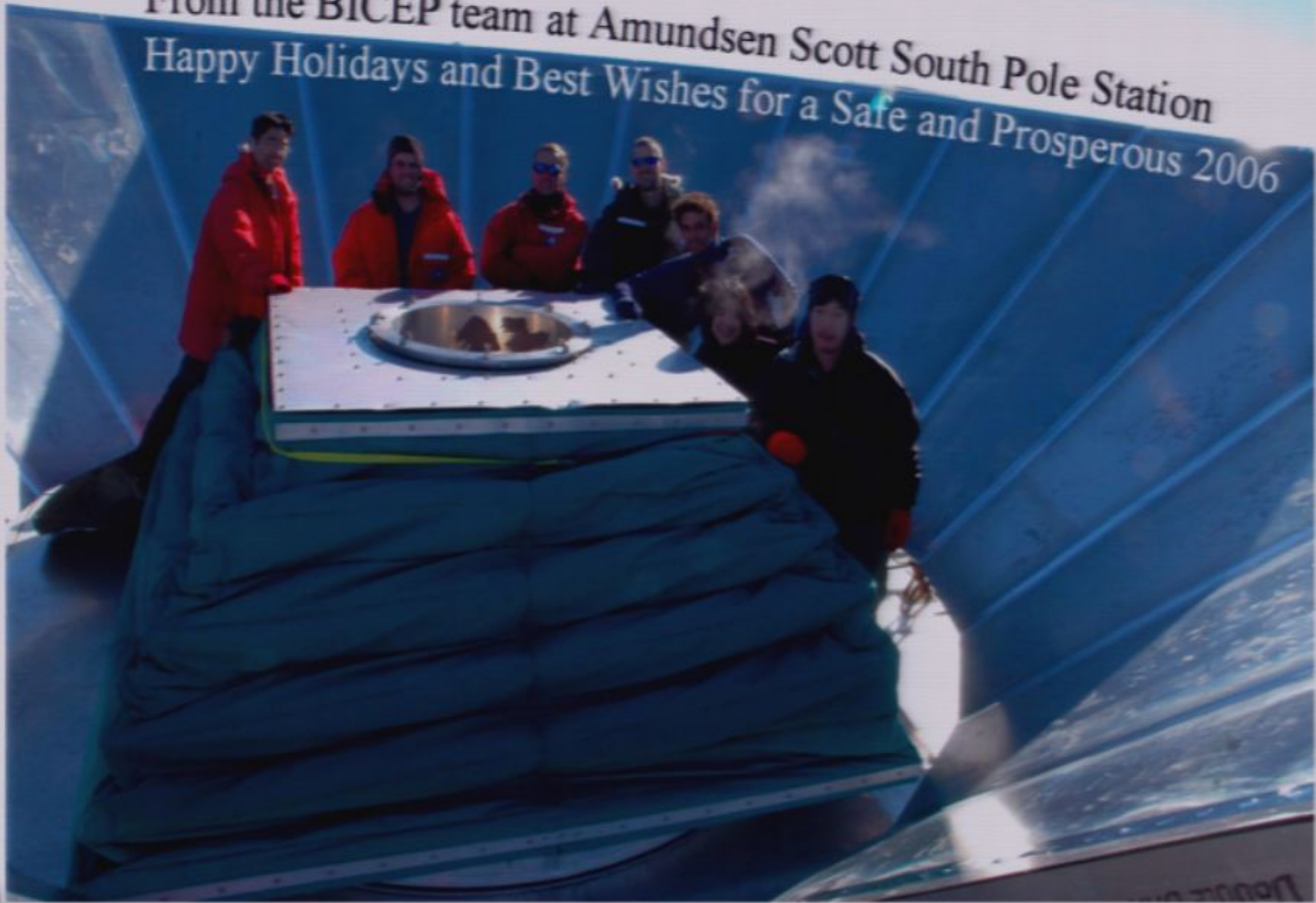
Senator McCain's 2006 Dream:
*I will find a Vice President from
somewhere cold...*

Why a small aperture?



- Cost effective
- Easy calibration
- Simple cold (4K) telescope
- Superior contamination suppression

From the BICEP team at Amundsen Scott South Pole Station
Happy Holidays and Best Wishes for a Safe and Prosperous 2006



Overview of the BICEP telescope and DSL Observatory

Minimize polarization systematics

Azimuthal symmetry

Simple refractor, no mirrors

Optimized for $30 < \ell < 300$

Beam sizes $\sim 0.9^\circ, 0.6^\circ$

Field of view $\sim 18^\circ$

Observed sky fraction $\sim 2\%$

Frequency coverage

100 GHz: 25 pixels

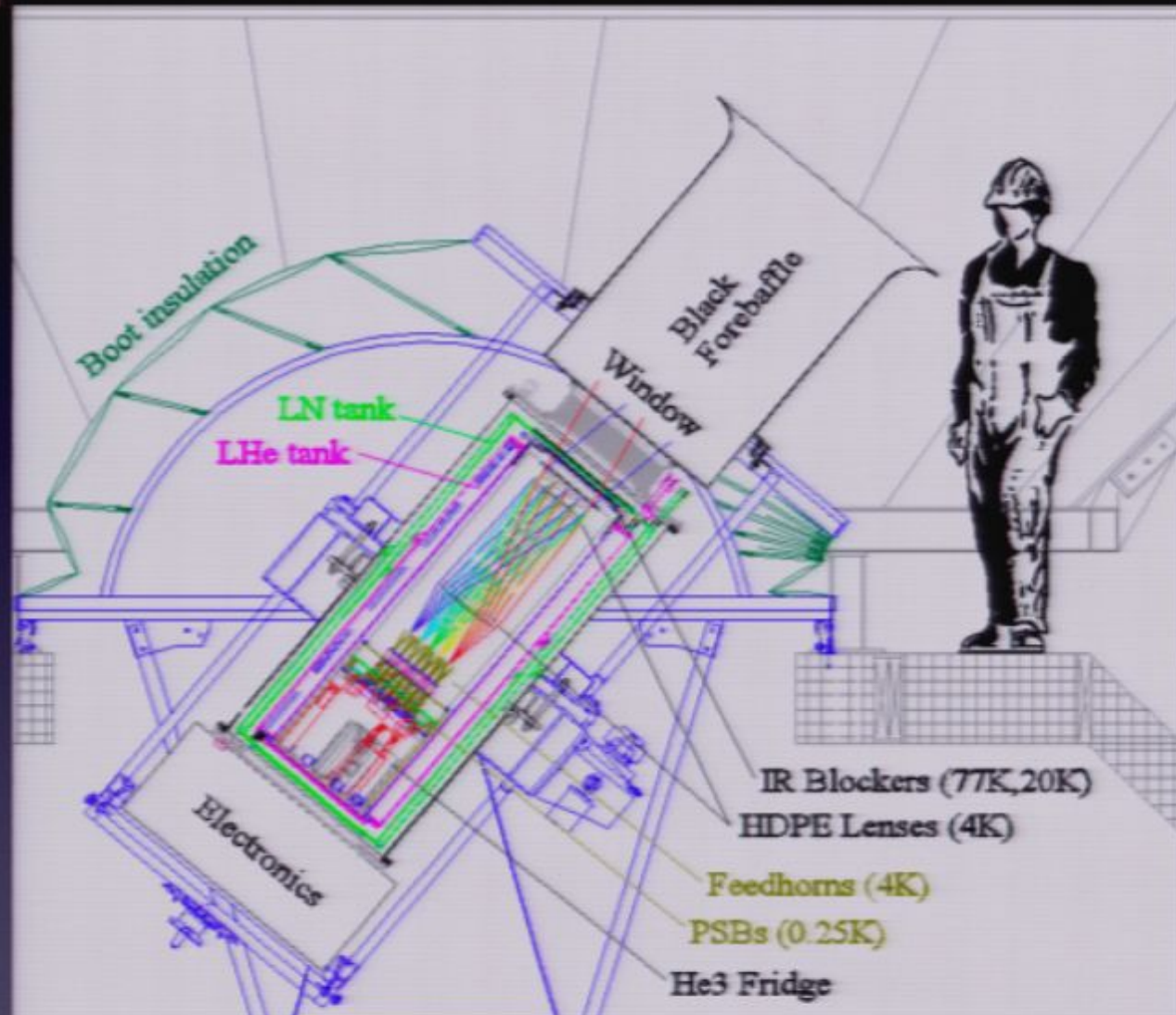
150 GHz: 22 pixels

220 GHz: 2 pixels

Signal-to-noise considerations

PSB differencing

South Pole: long integration
over contiguous patch of sky,
reduced atmospheric loading



Target field and scan strategy

150 GHz FDS dust model

Primary CMB field:
"Southern Hole"

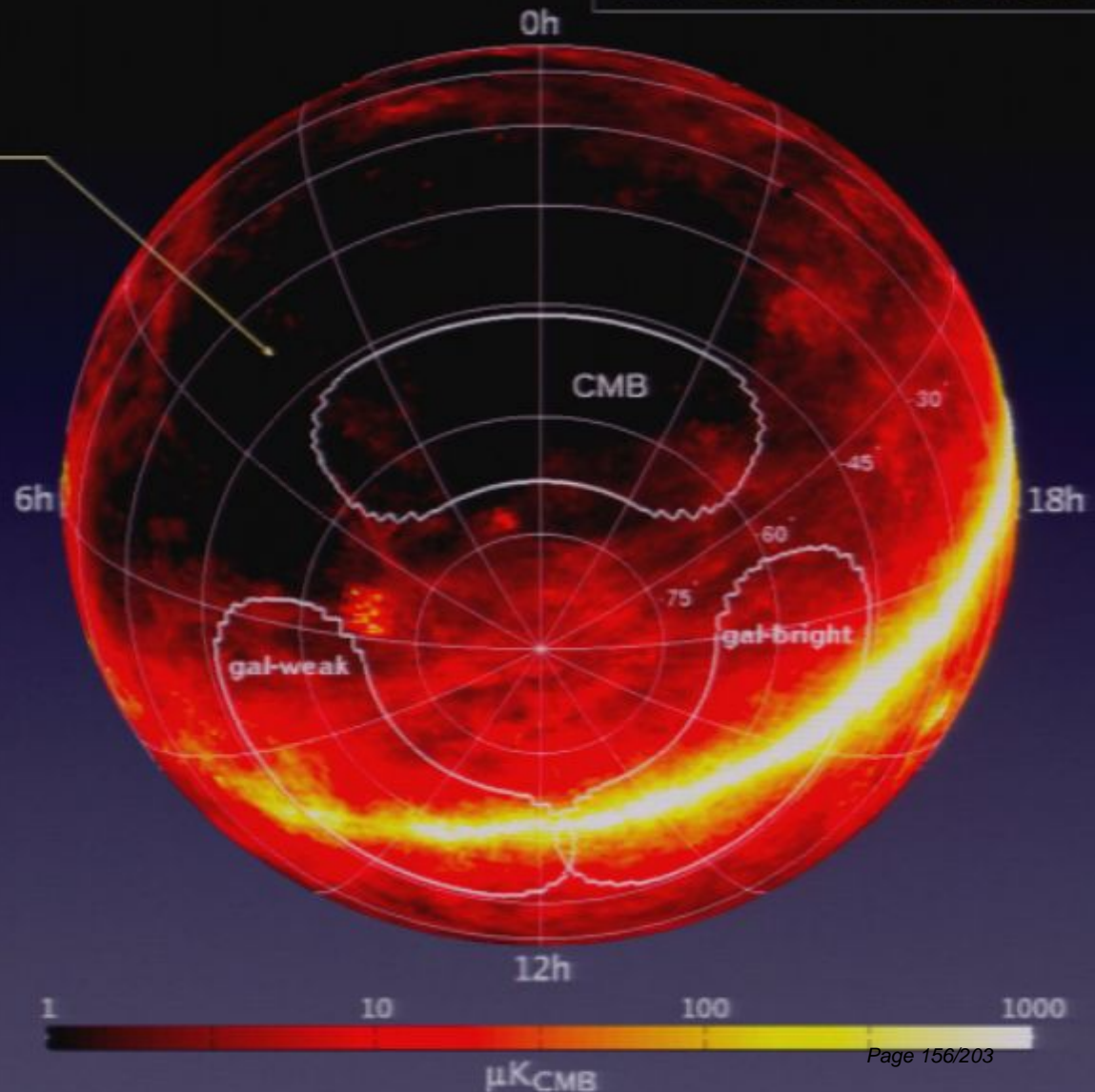
- Dust emission 100x lower than median
- Total emission minimized at 150 GHz

48-hour observing cycles

- 4 x 9-hour CMB observations
- Az / el raster scans
- Fixed boresight angle
{-45°, 0°, 135°, 180°}

Three years of data: 2006 to 2008

- Initial analysis: first two years
- Conservative data cuts

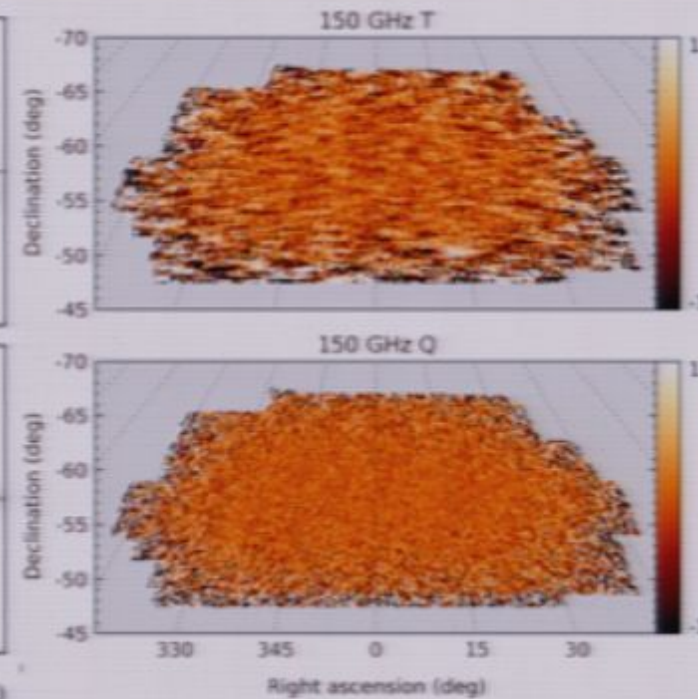
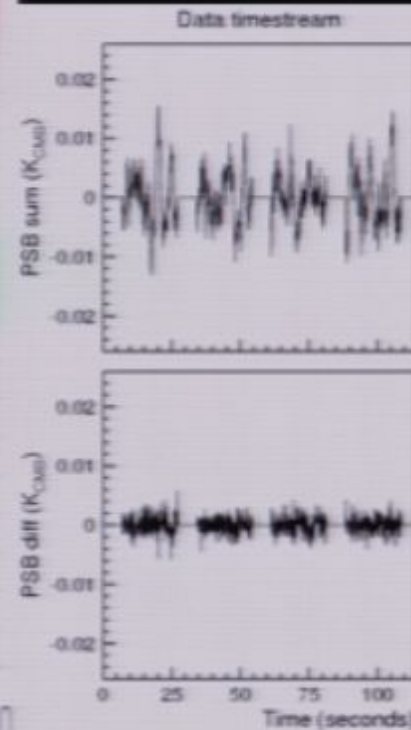
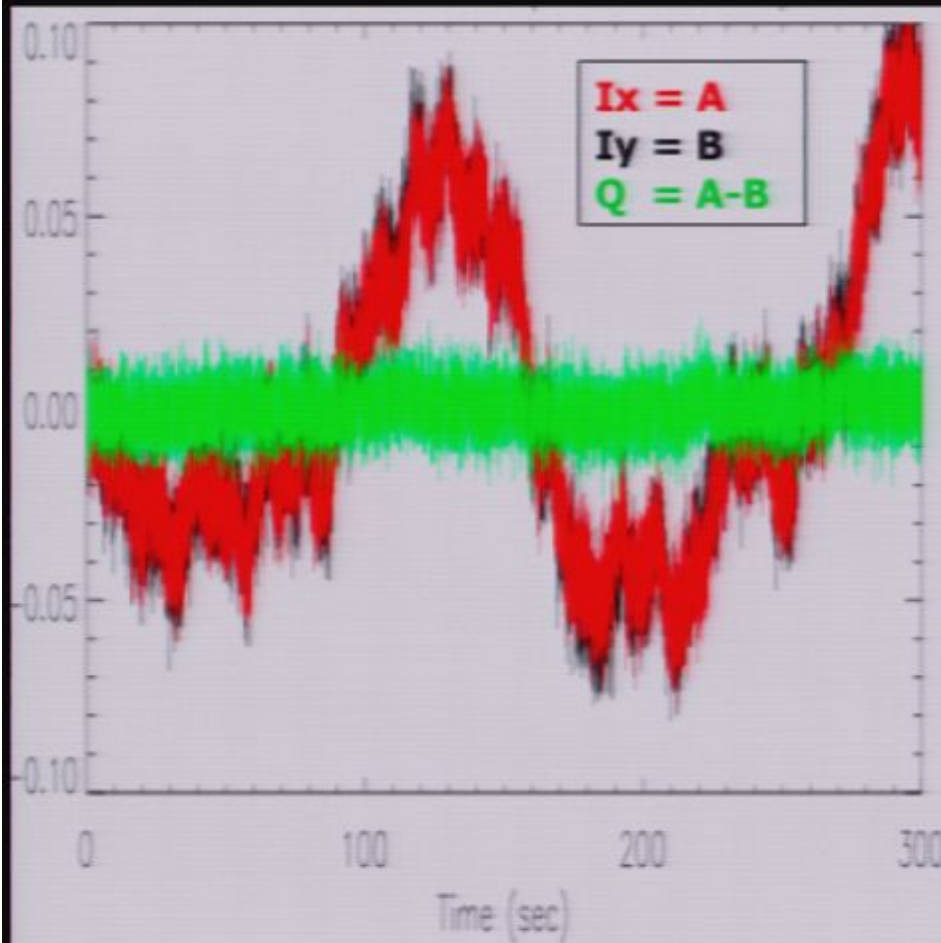


Sunset 3:13 AM March 23, 2009
Sunrise 6:04 AM: September 21, 2009



Best data occurs during these months, though we obtain data nearly year round

Detector and Atmospheric Noise

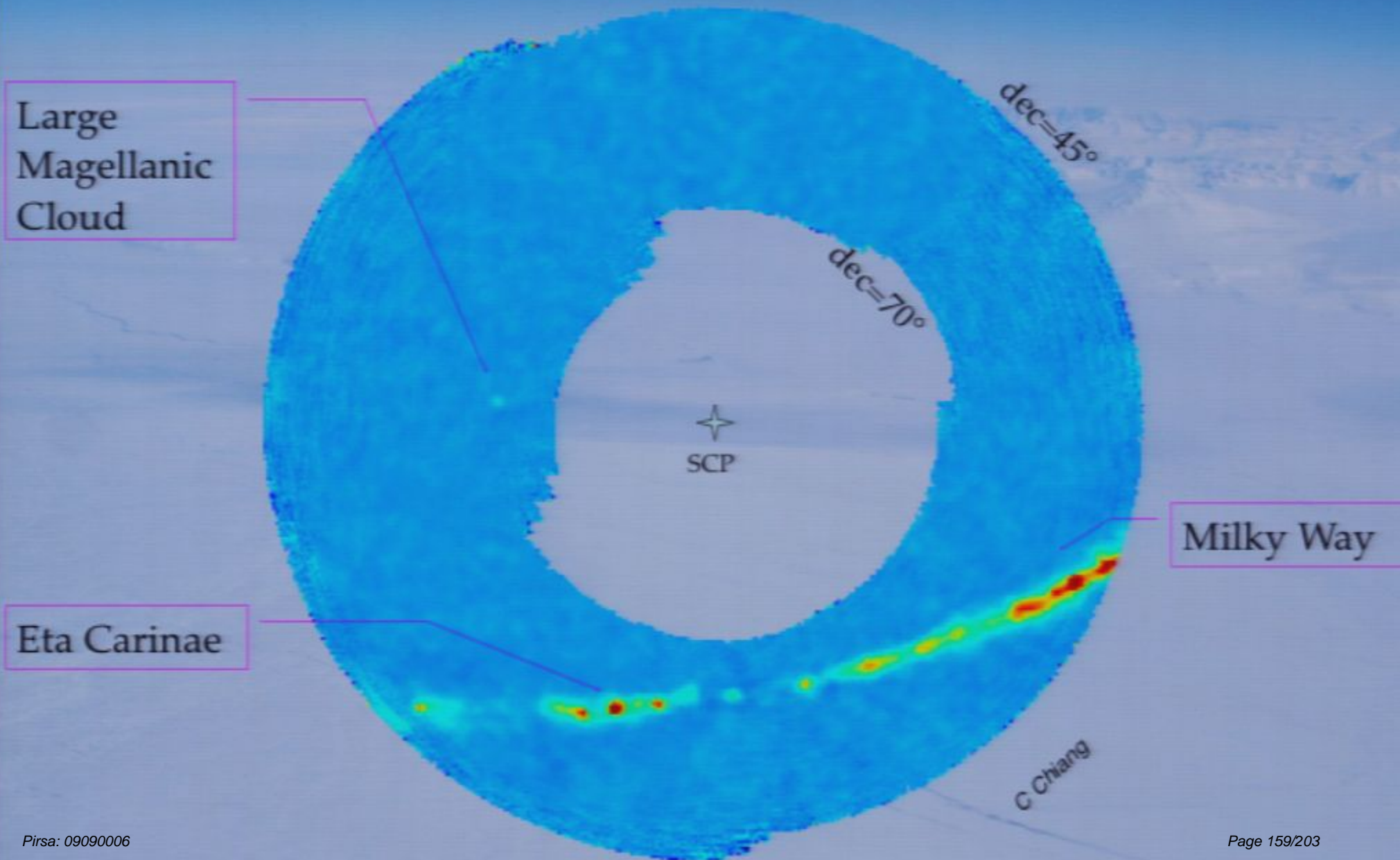


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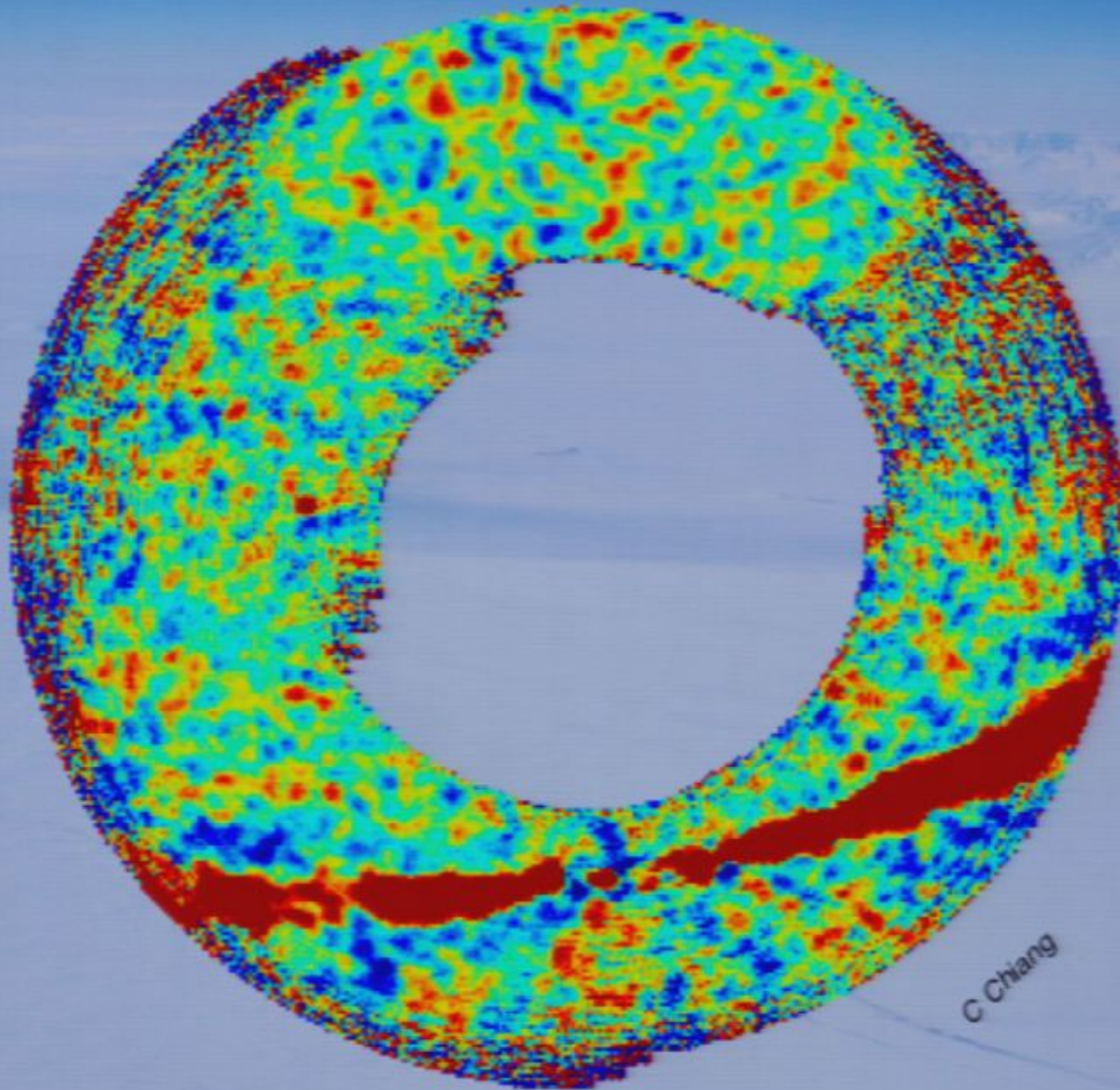
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BICEP Polarization Map



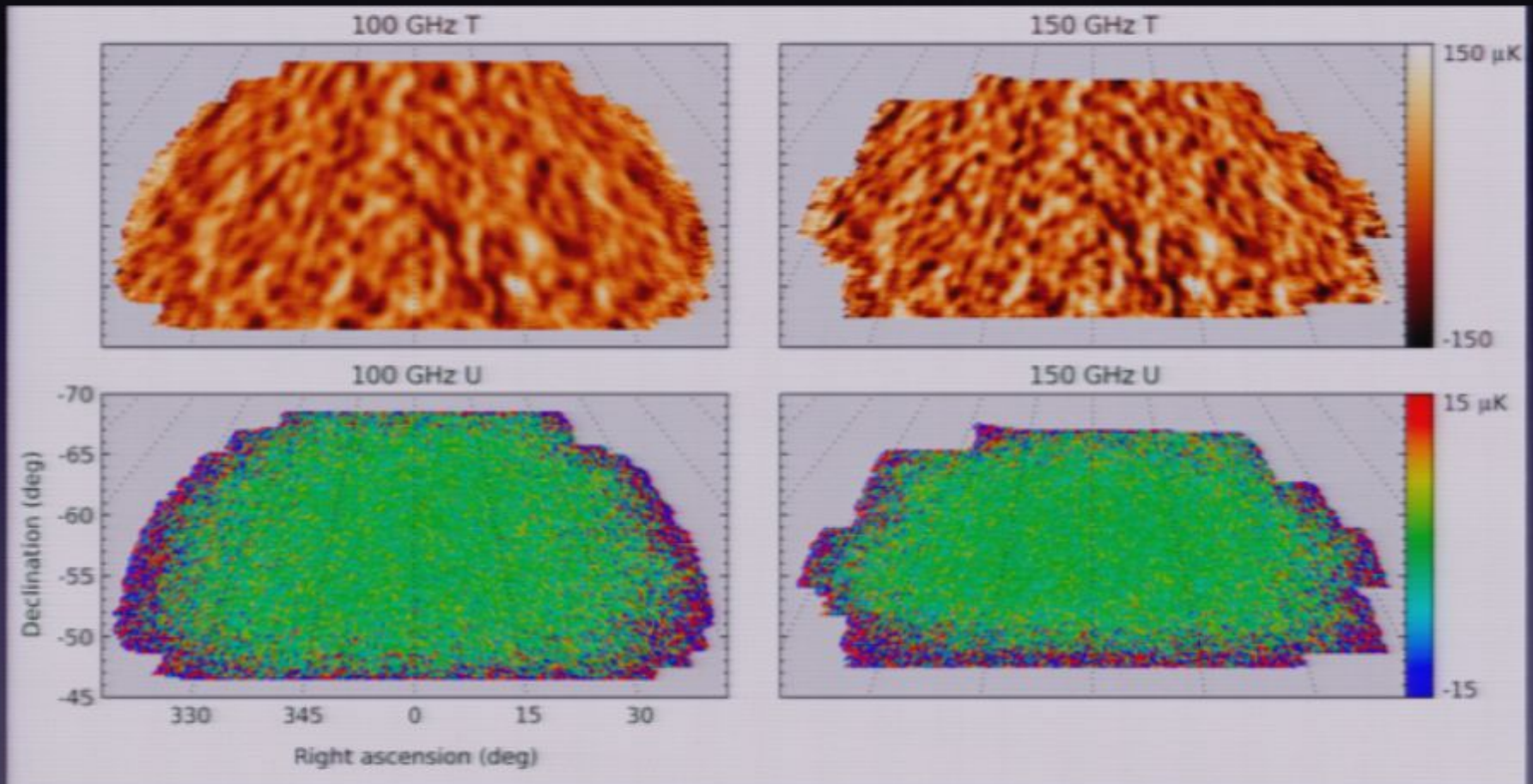
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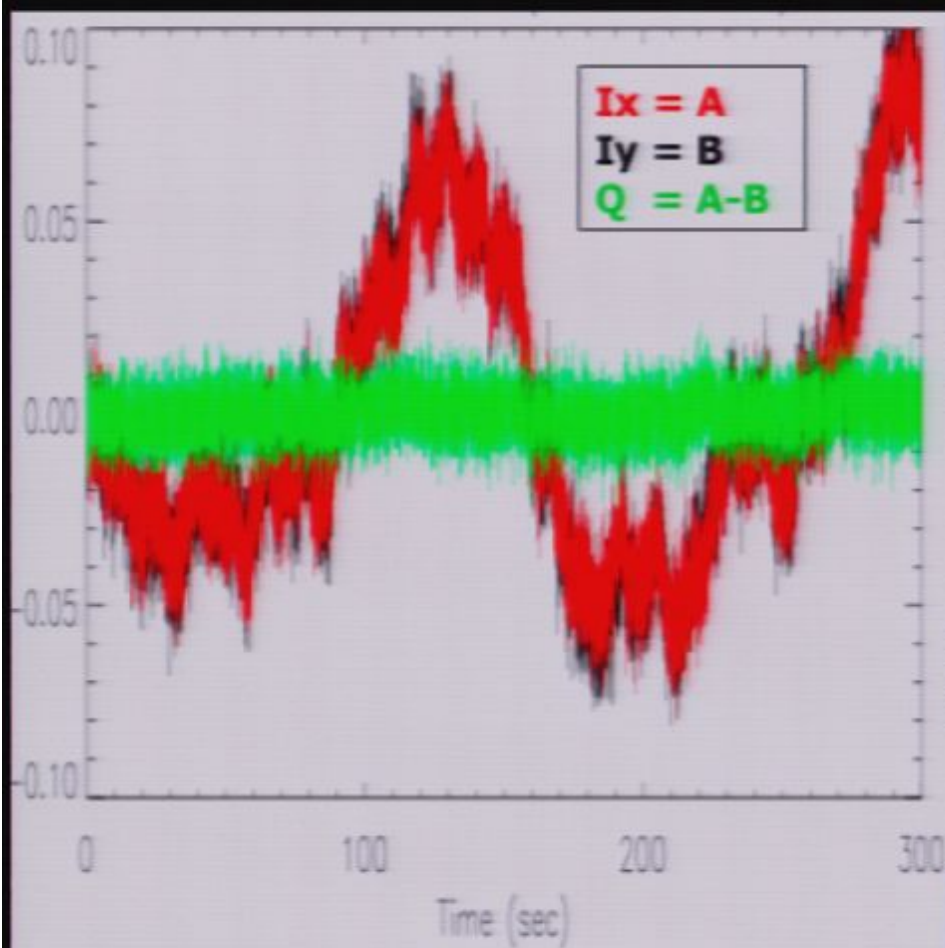
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Timestreams to maps

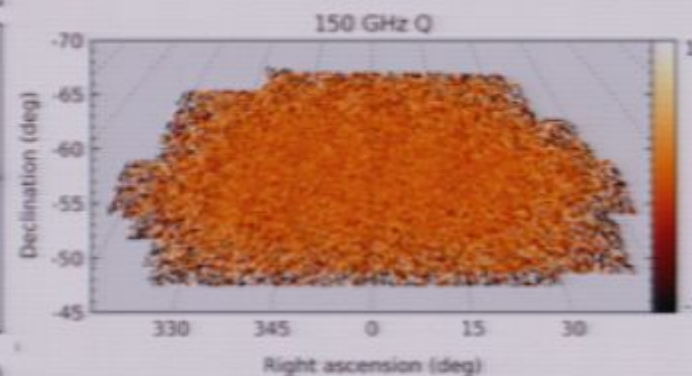
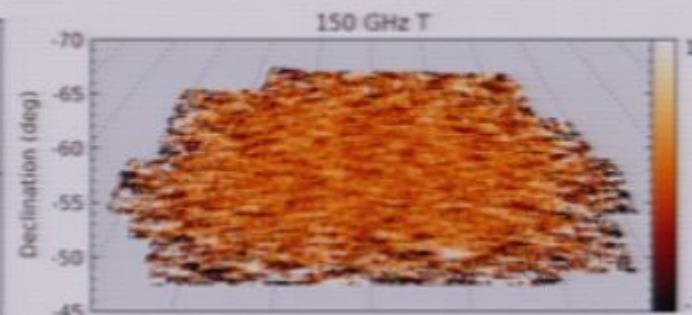
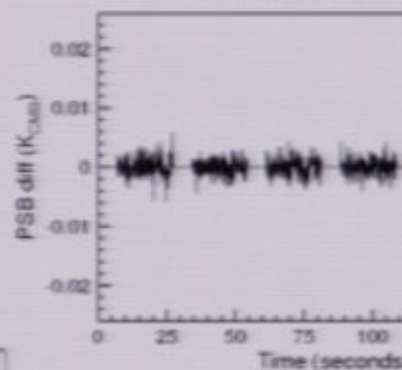
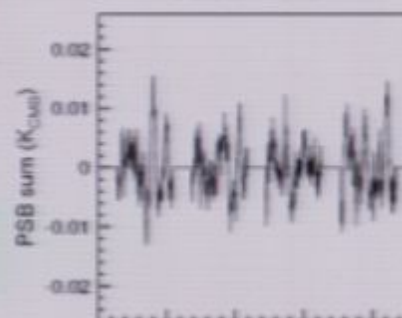
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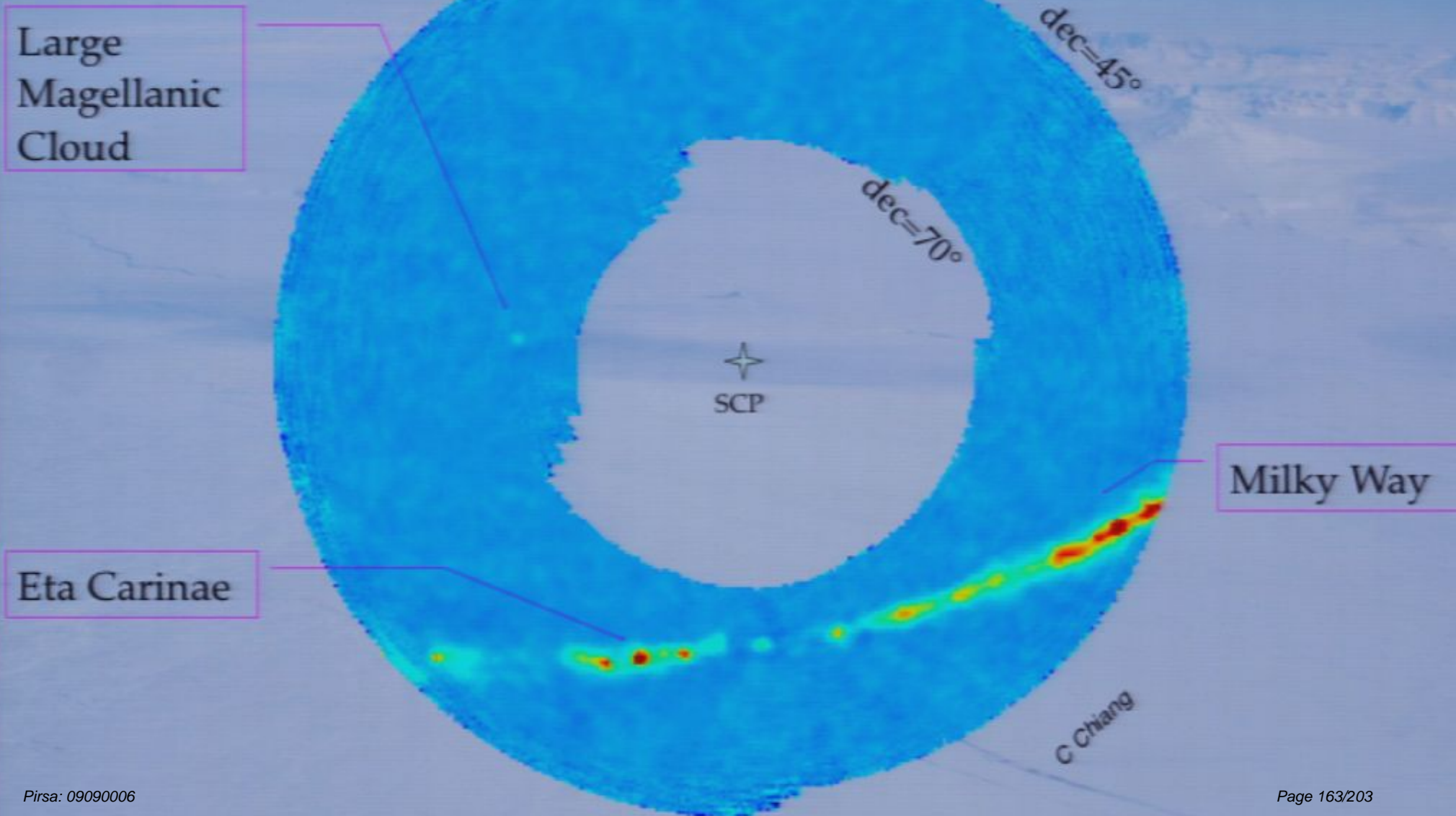


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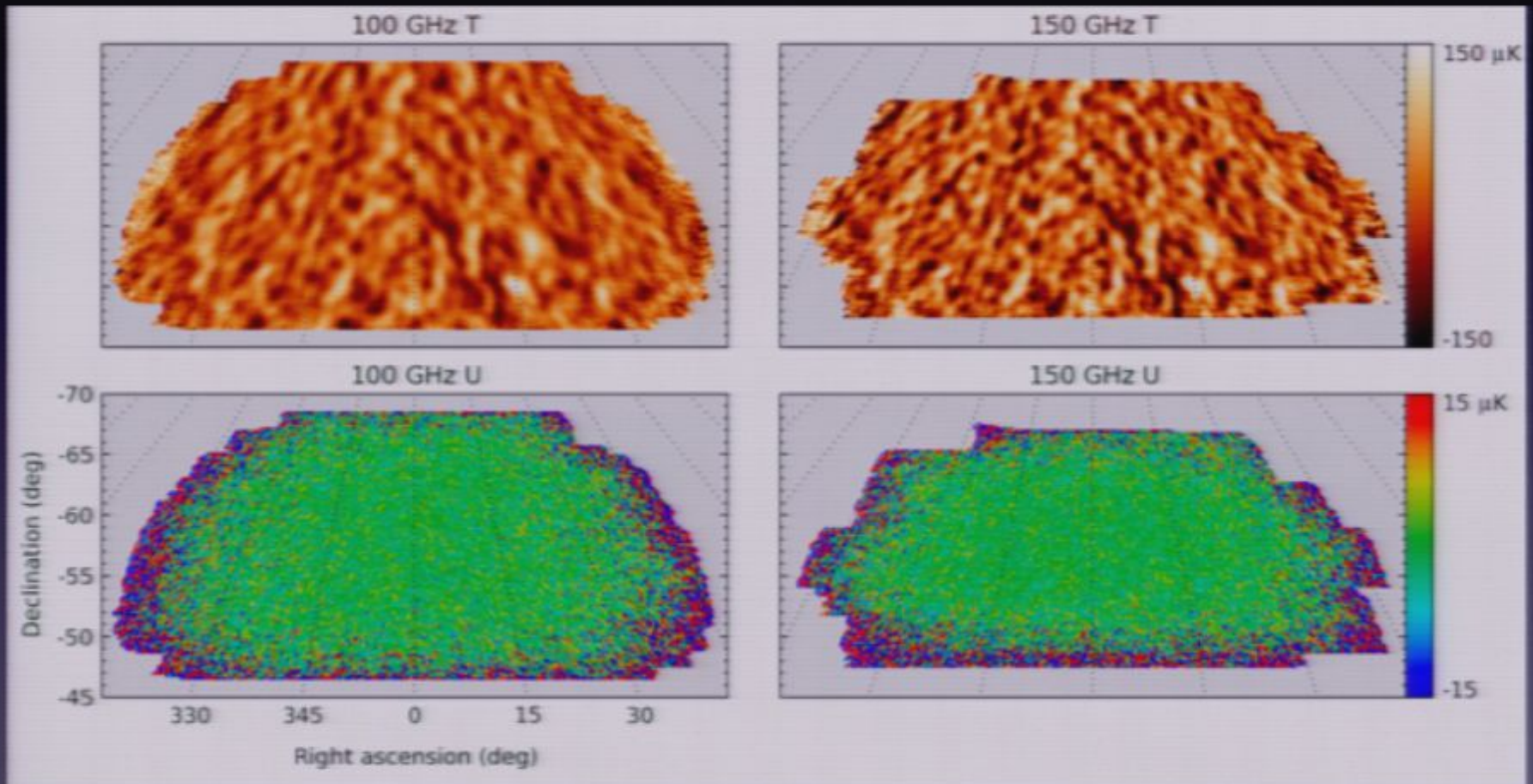
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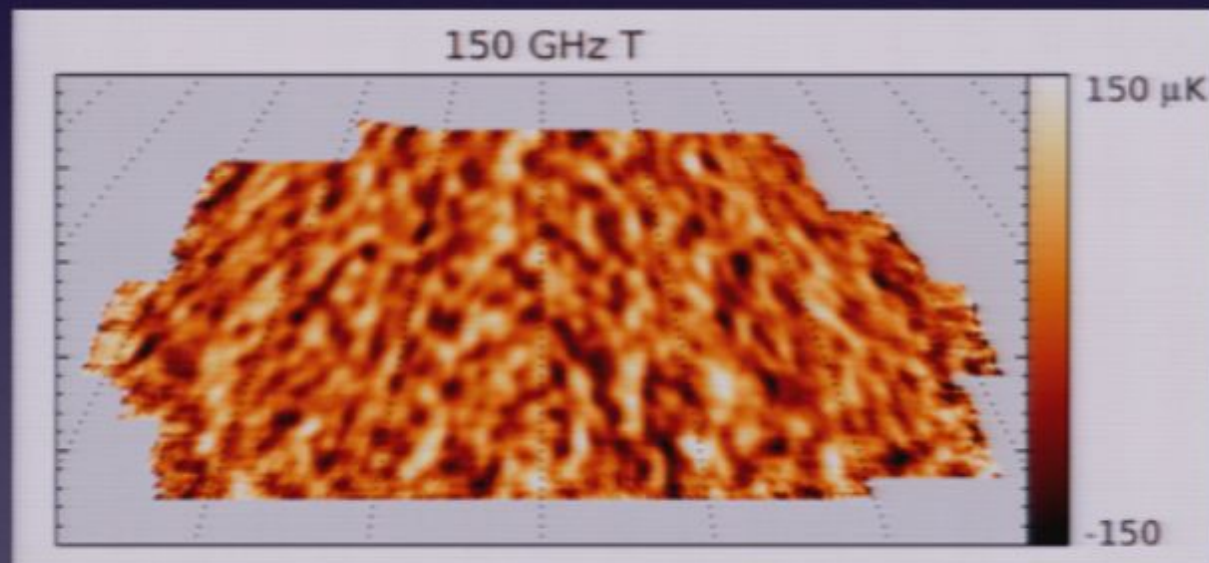
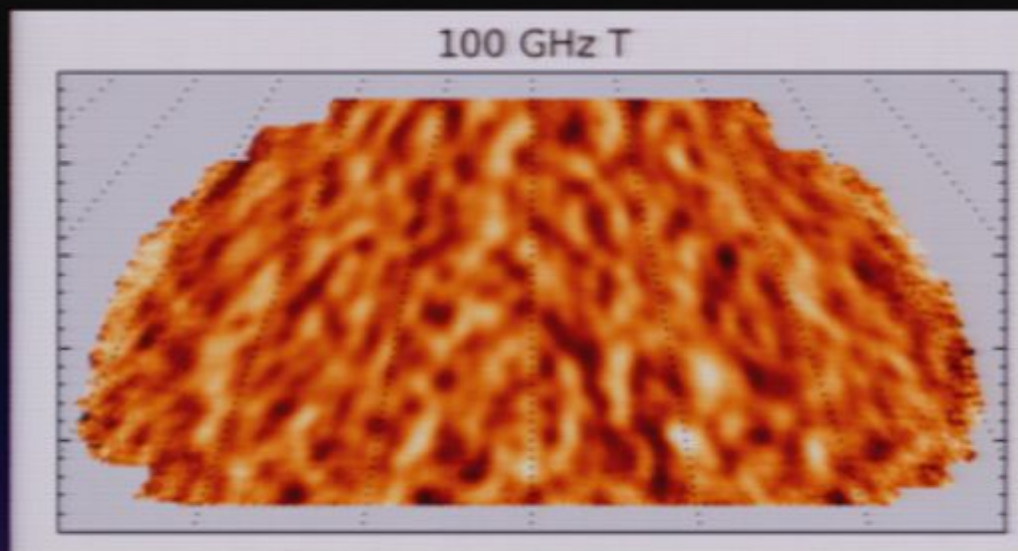


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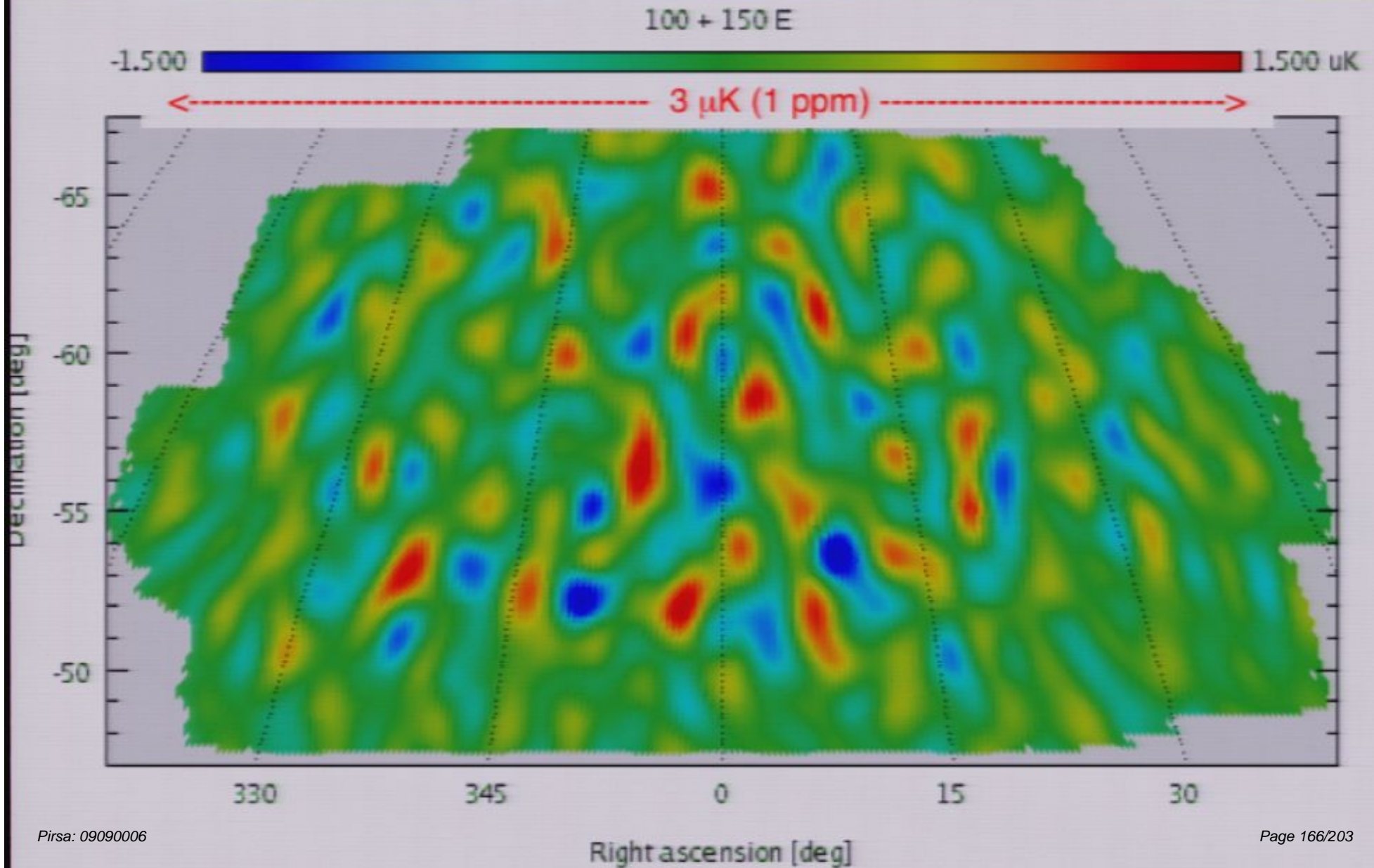
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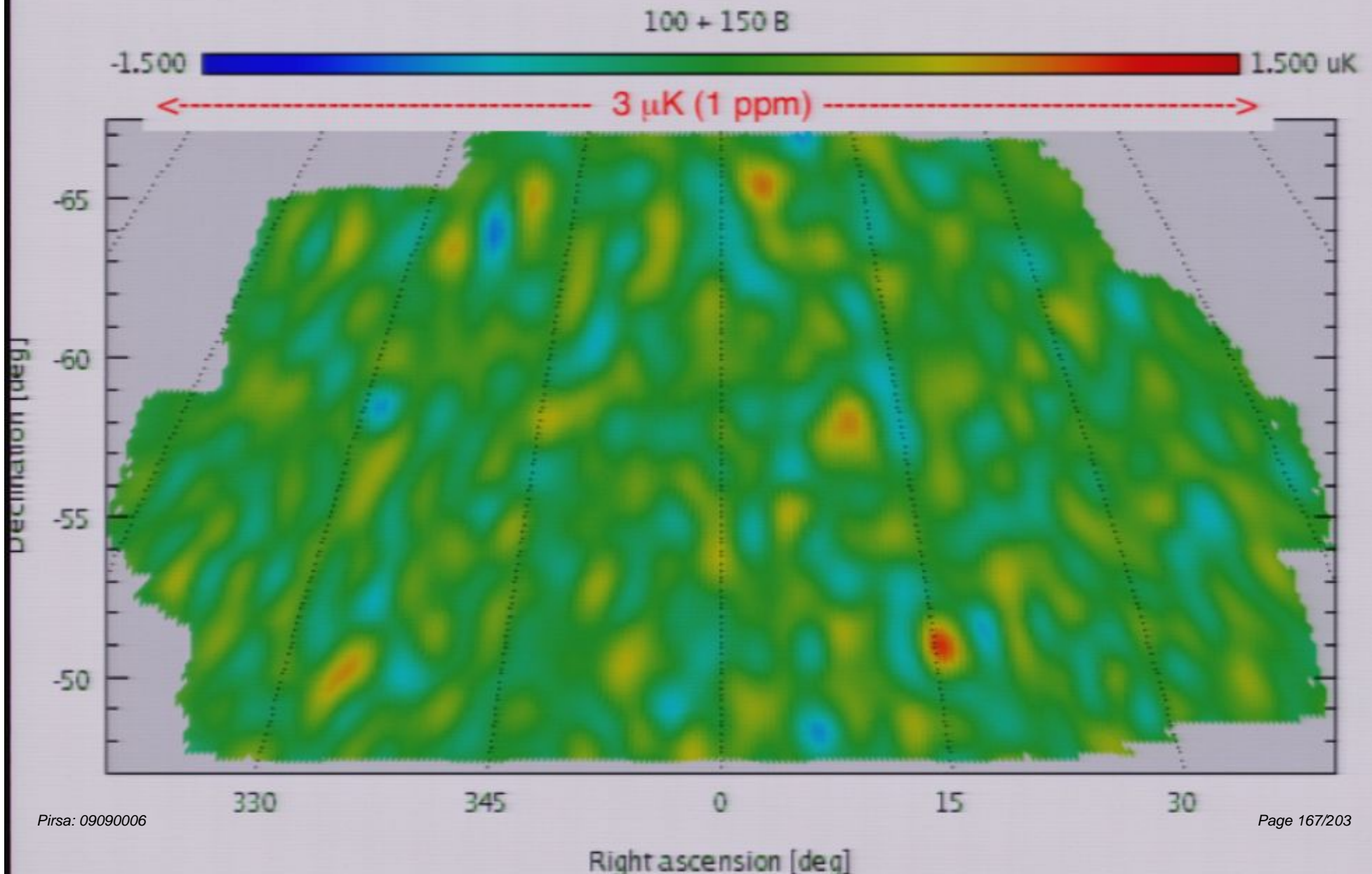
The most sensitive CMB Maps Ever Made



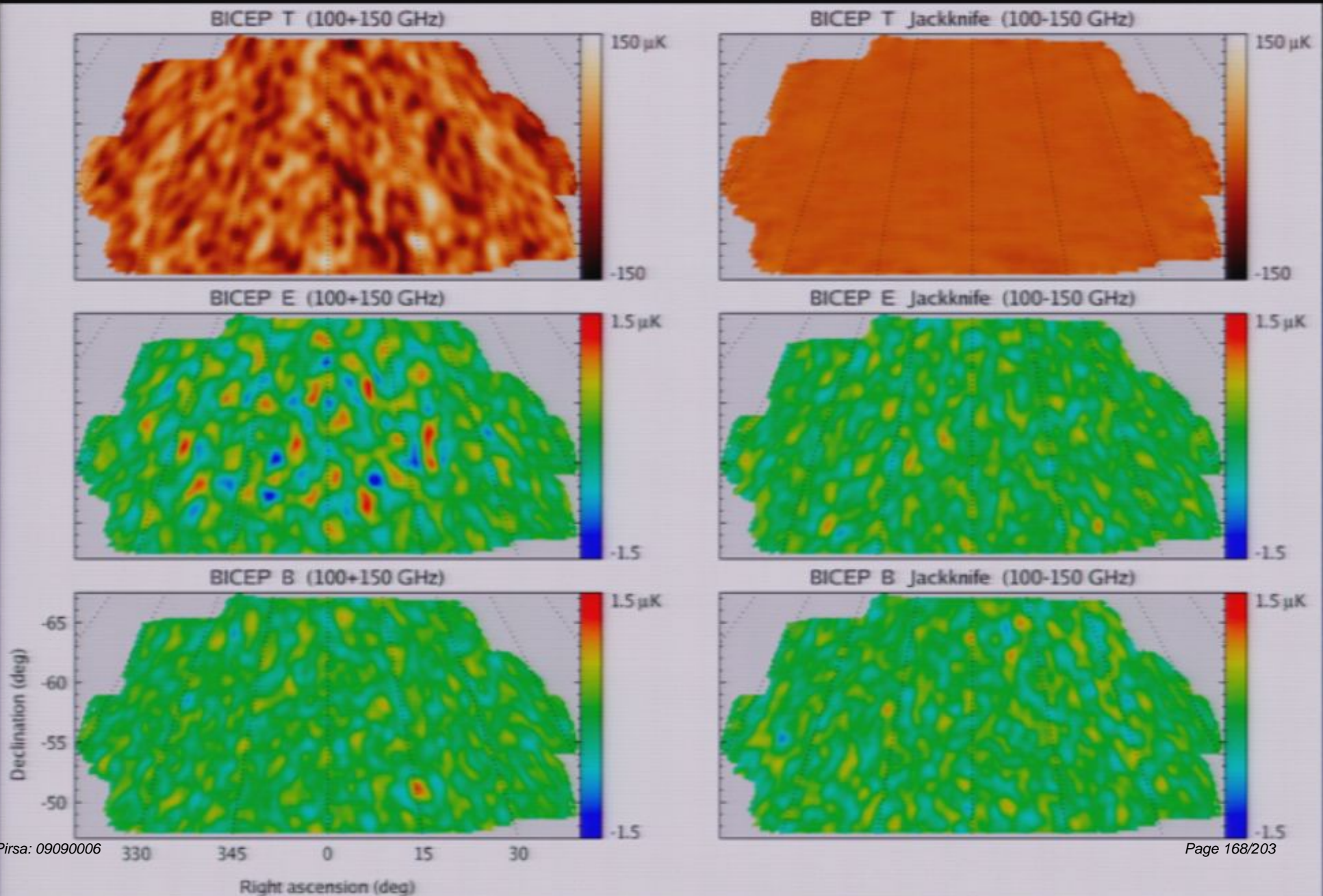
E-mode Maps



B-mode 100 & 150 GHz



Manufacturing Statistics: Double your data; split your data in half!

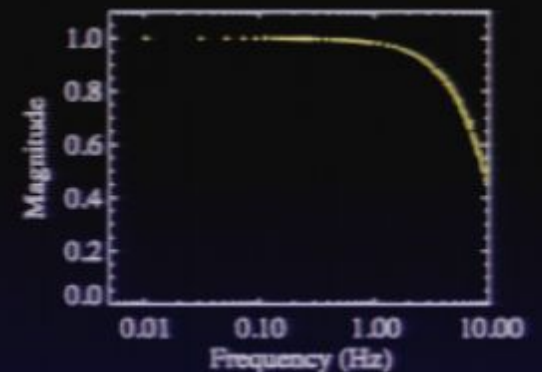
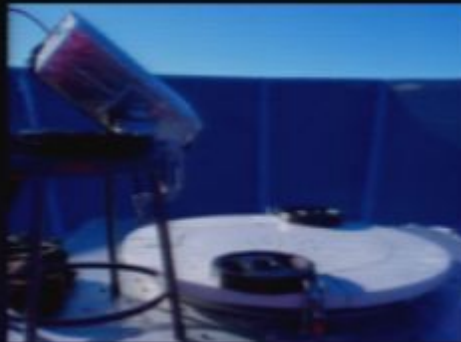


Instrument characterization

Bolometer transfer functions

Method: Gunn or noise diode source, analyze response to transitions

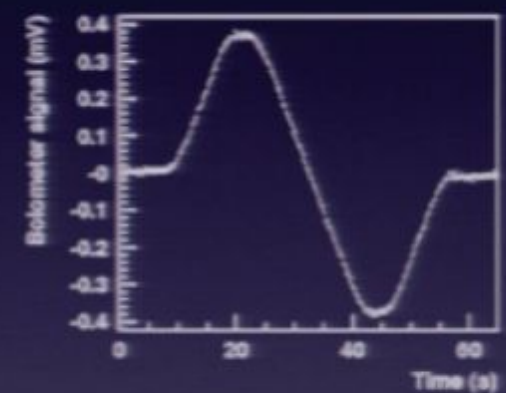
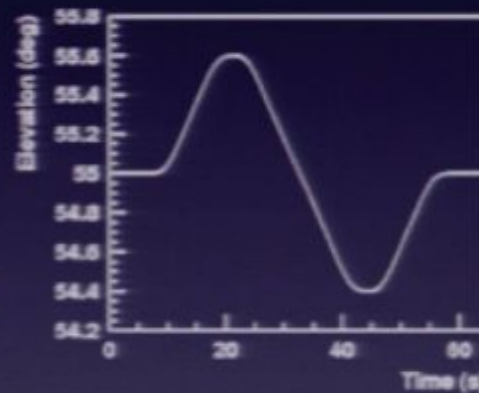
Result: relative gain uncertainty $< 0.3\%$ over $0.1 - 1$ Hz after deconvolution



Relative gains

Method: atmospheric signal from "elevation nods"

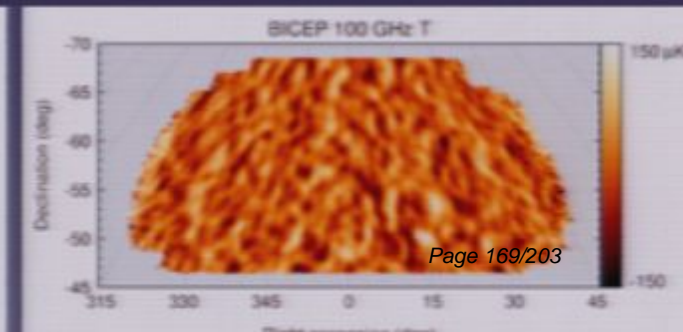
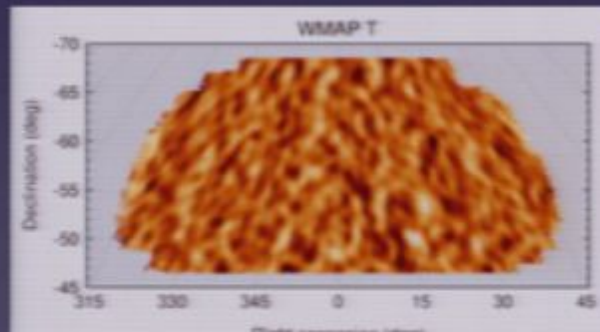
Result: common mode rejection $> 98.9\%$



Absolute gains and detector pointing

Method: cross-correlate BICEP and WMAP temperature maps

Result: gain uncertainty $\sim 2\%$, centroid uncertainty 0.03° rms

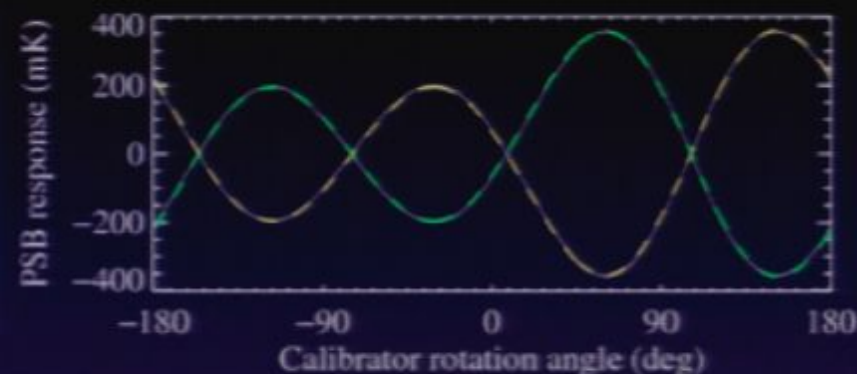


Instrument characterization

Cross-polar leakage and polarization orientation angle

Method: rotating polarized sources (dielectric sheet, wire grid, etc.)

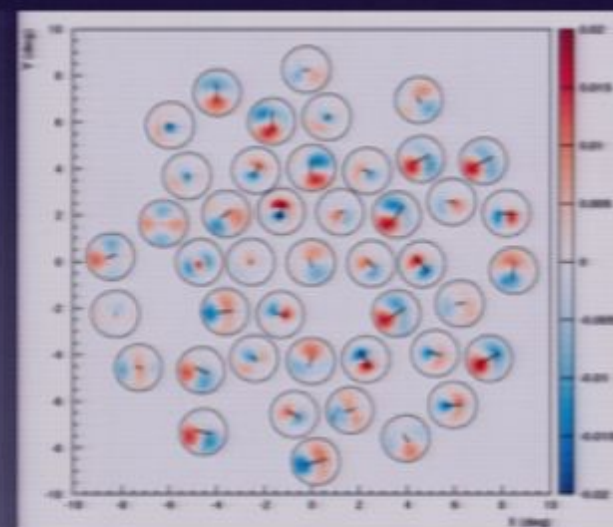
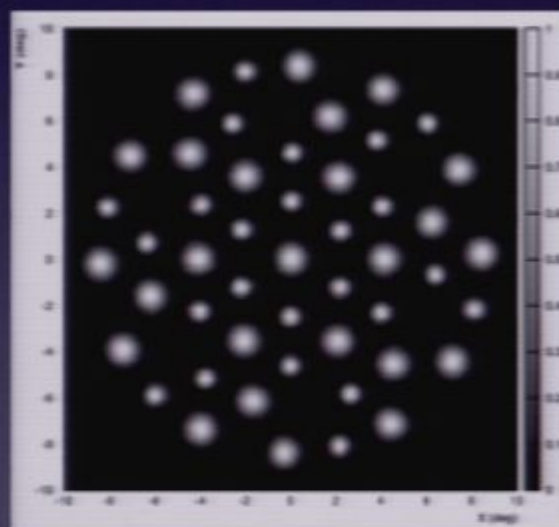
Result: cross-polar leakage uncertainty ± 0.01 , orientation angle uncertainty $\pm 0.7^\circ$



Main beam shapes

Method: map far-field sources (thermal source and noise diode)

Result: average FWHM 0.93° , 0.60° at 100, 150 GHz



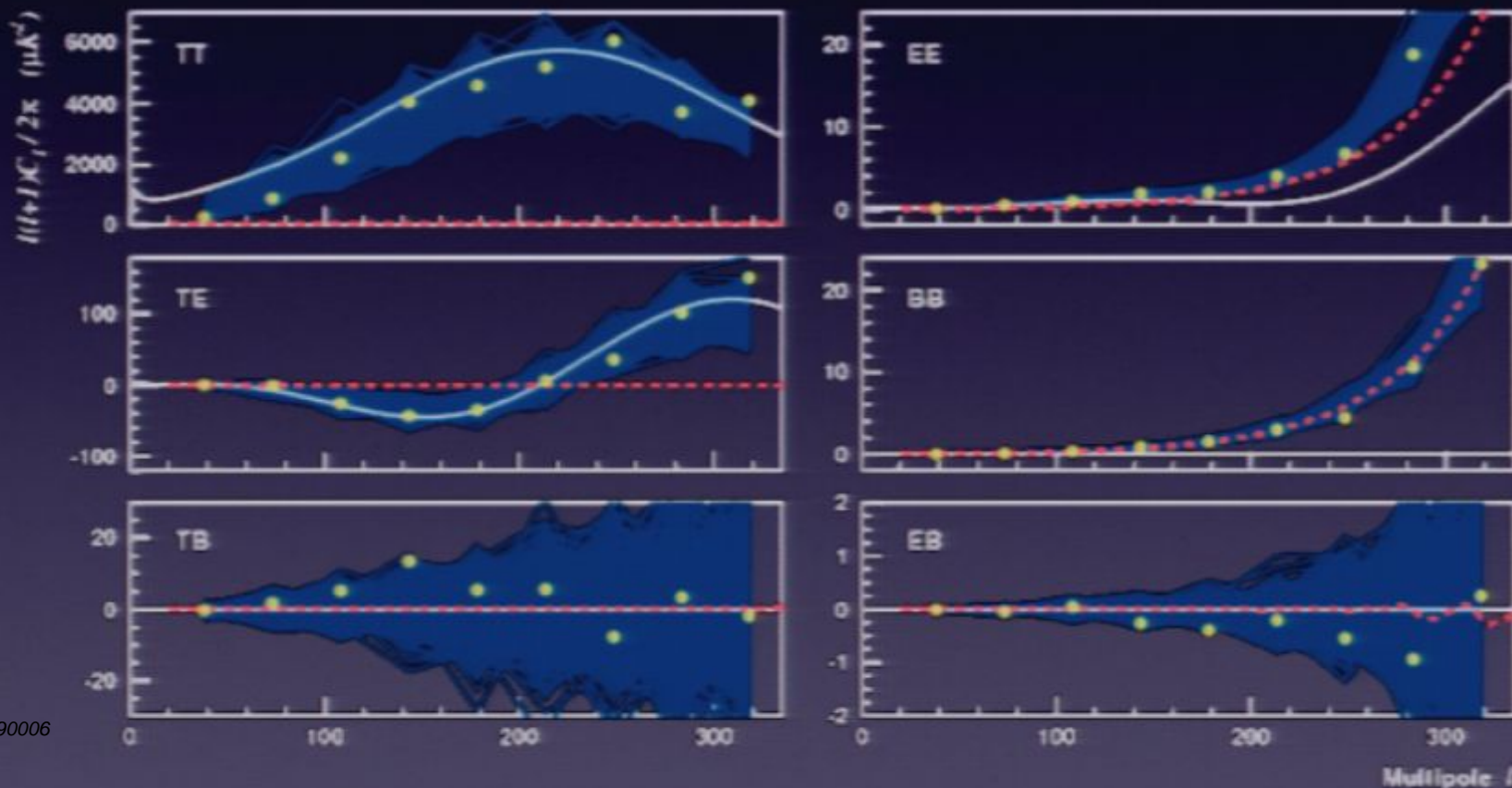
From maps to power spectra (Chiang et al 2009)

Output of Spice estimator Spice kernel Ell space filter function

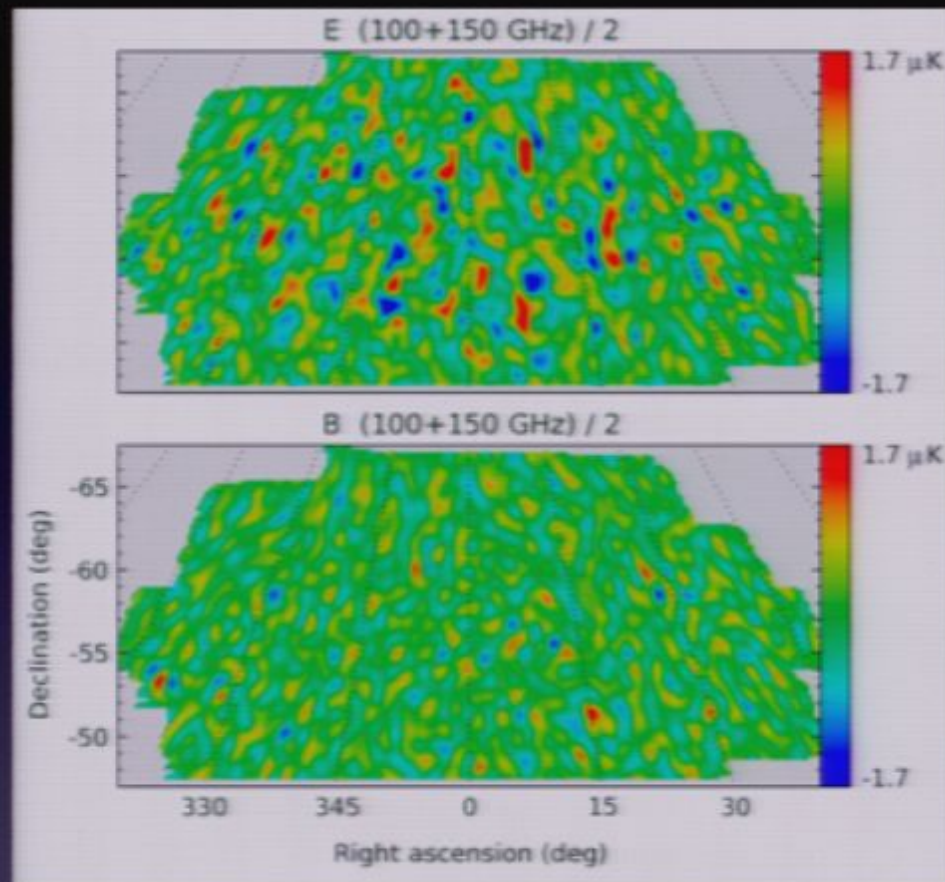
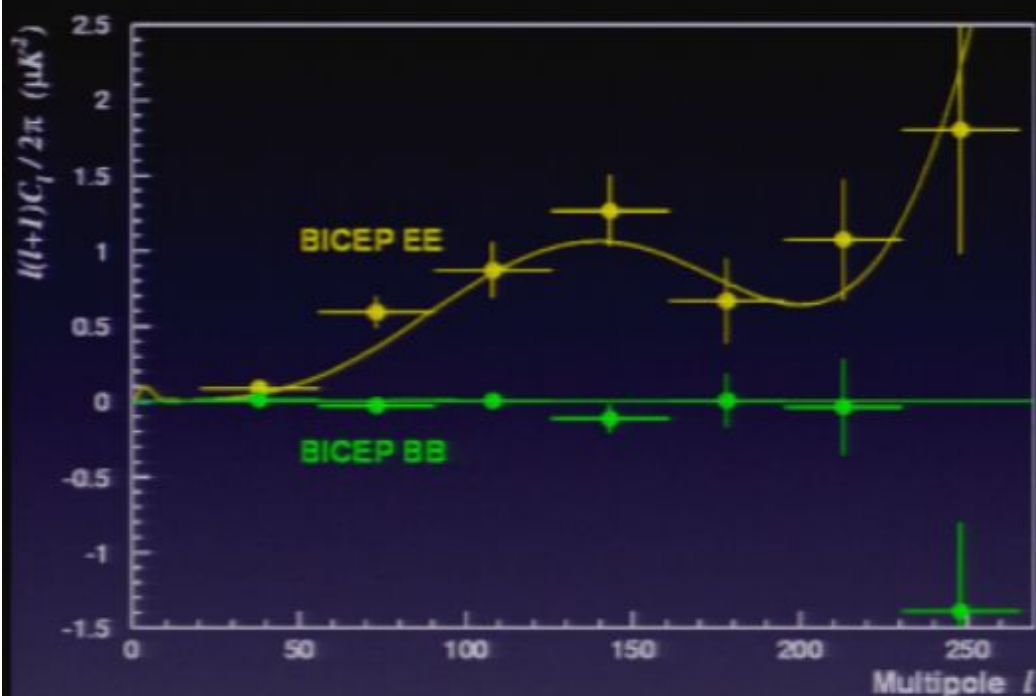
$$\hat{C}_\ell = \sum_{\ell'} \kappa_{\ell\ell'} F_{\ell'} \mathcal{B}_{\ell'}^2 C_{\ell'} + \hat{N}_\ell$$

Beam / pixel factor Noise power spectrum

The answer: underlying C_ℓ



Polarization Power Spectra from BICEP



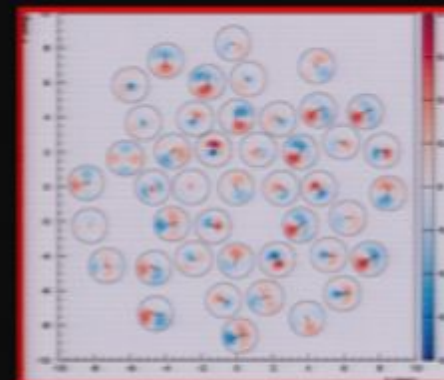
- For the first time, BICEP detects EE peak at $ell \sim 140$ with high S/N
- BB spectrum is consistent with zero, other spectra consistent with LCDM
- Polarization data pass jackknife consistency tests

Only Observations of the G.W.B. on November 1, 2007



Potential systematics

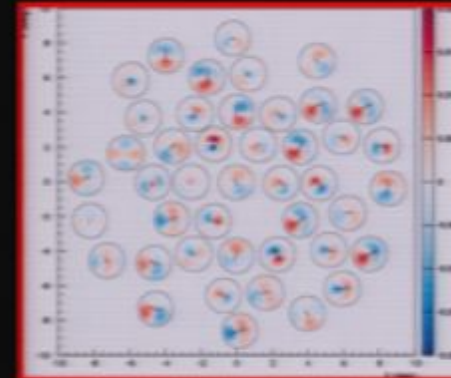
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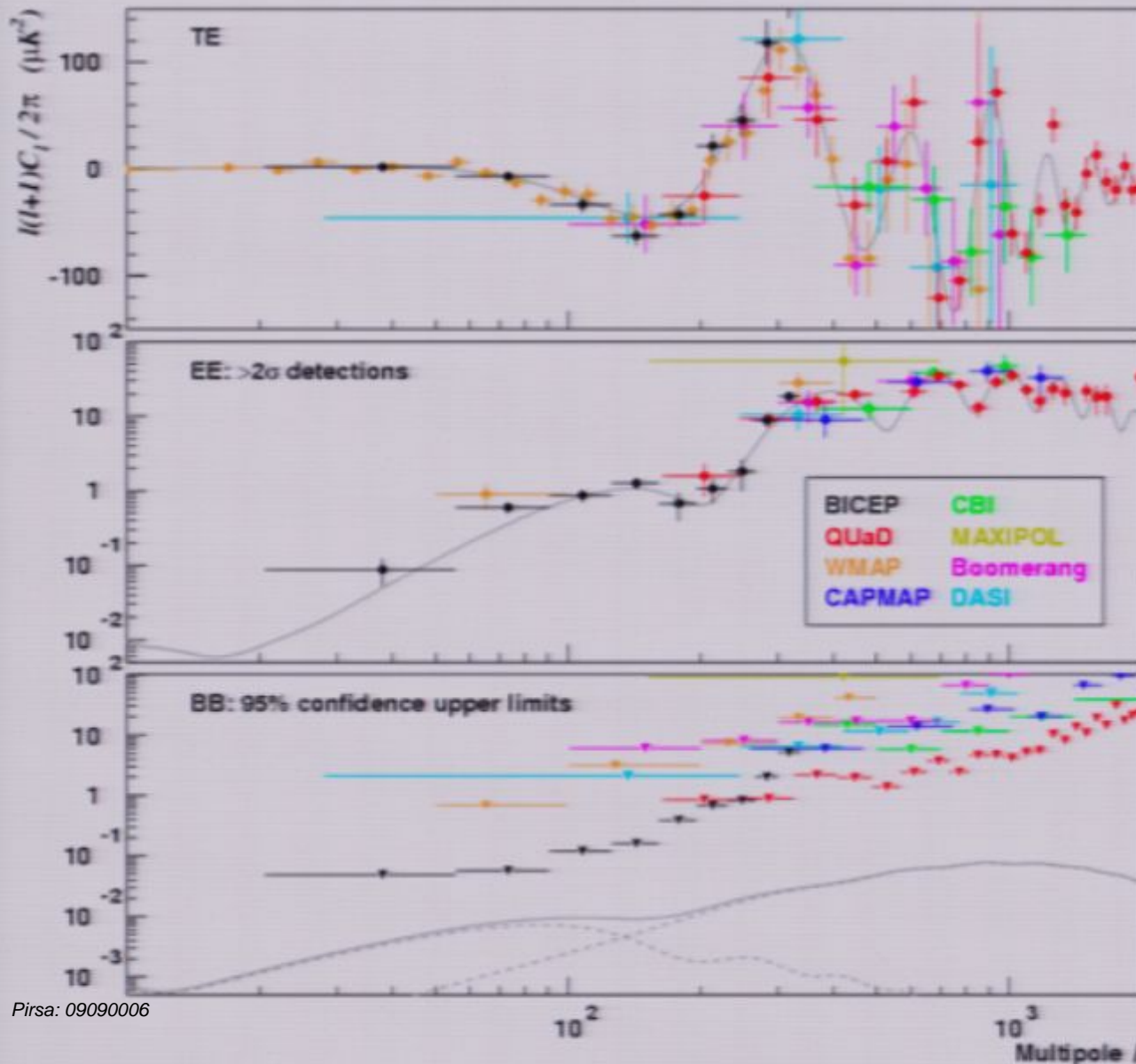
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The state of the field



BICEP contributes highest S/N polarization measurements at $ell \sim 100$

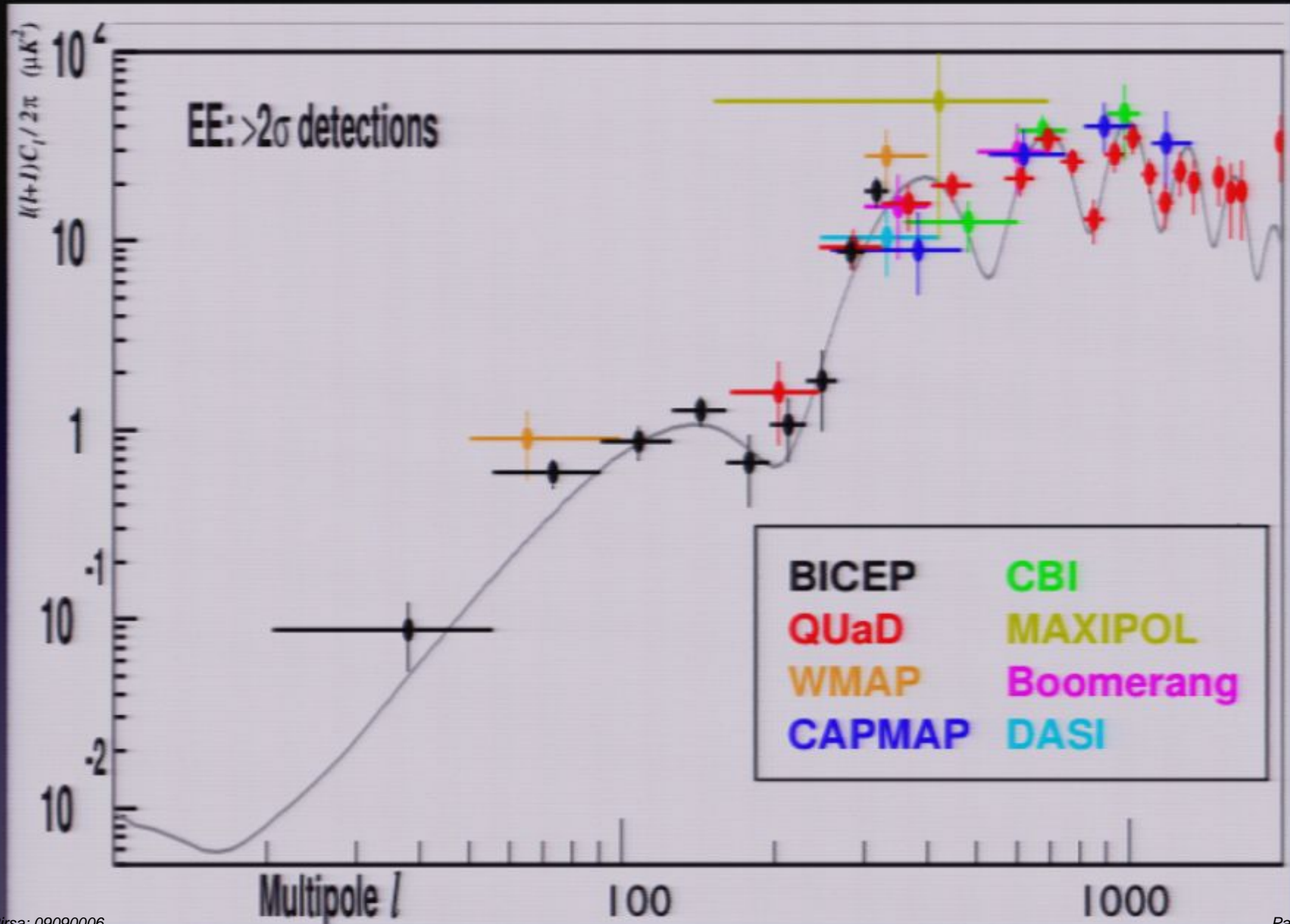
BB upper limits are the most powerful to date

Upcoming analysis will use full data set, relaxed data cuts...

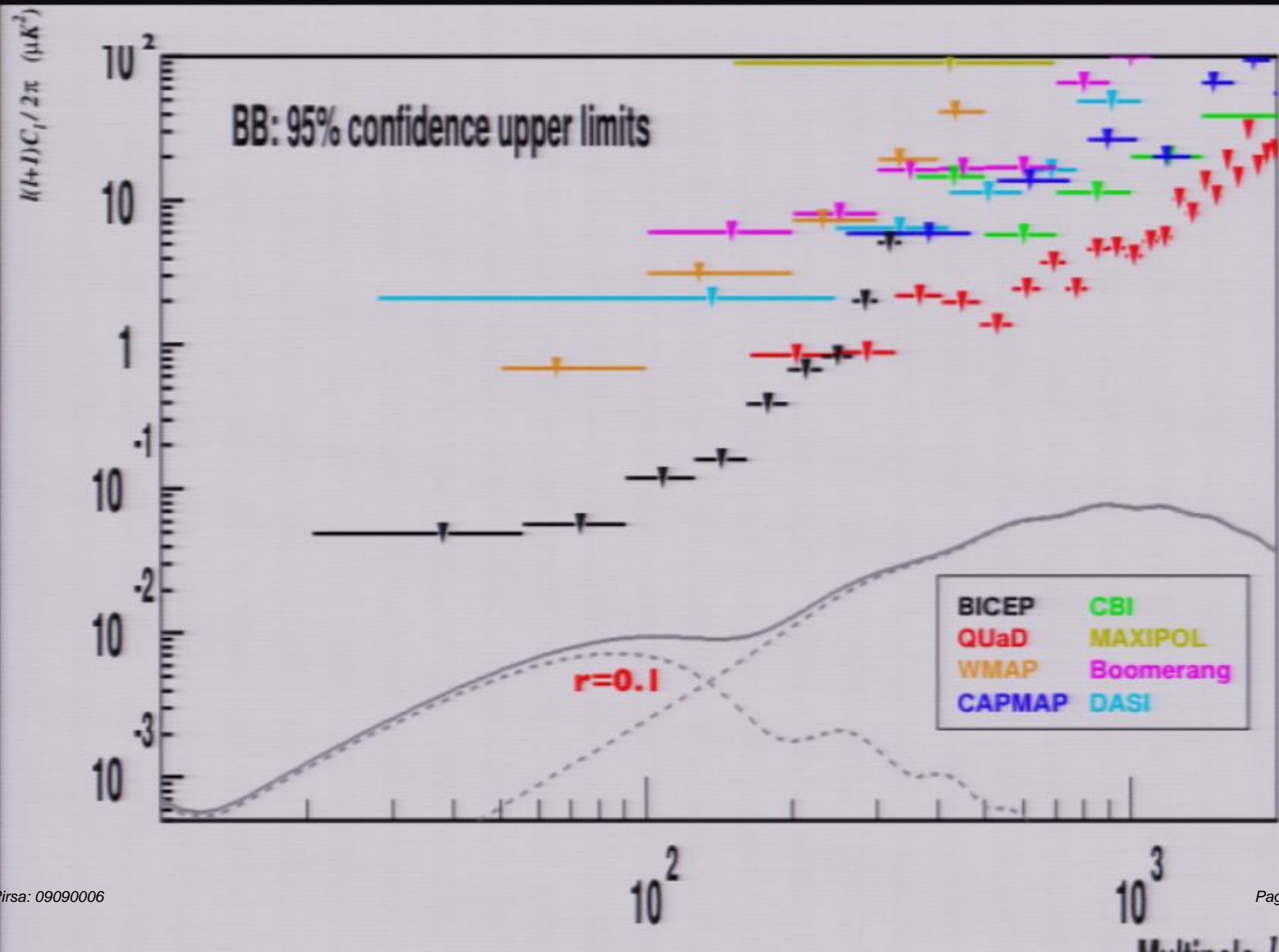
BICEP two-year results:
arXiv:0906.1181

BICEP data:
<http://bicep.caltech.edu>

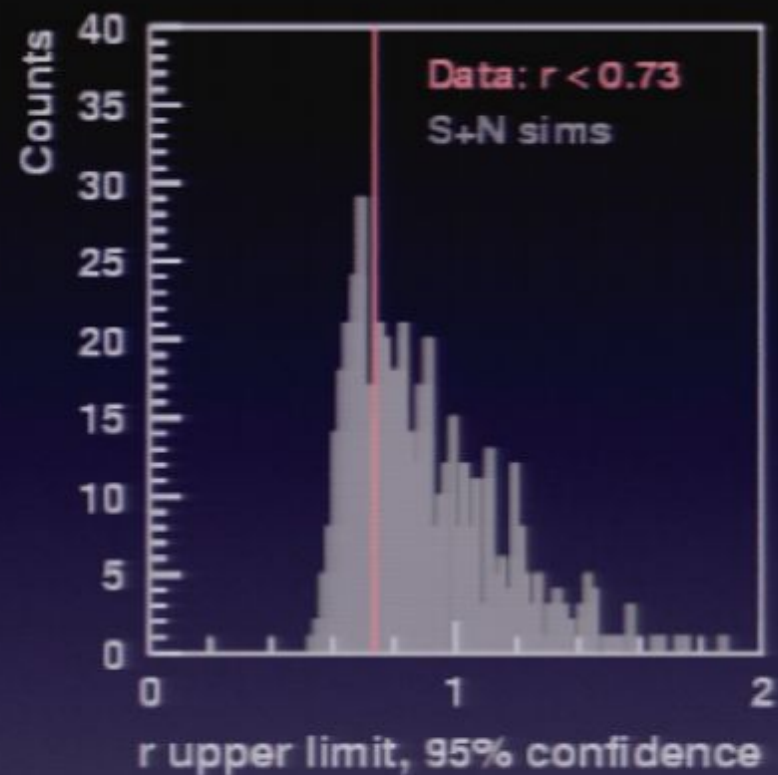
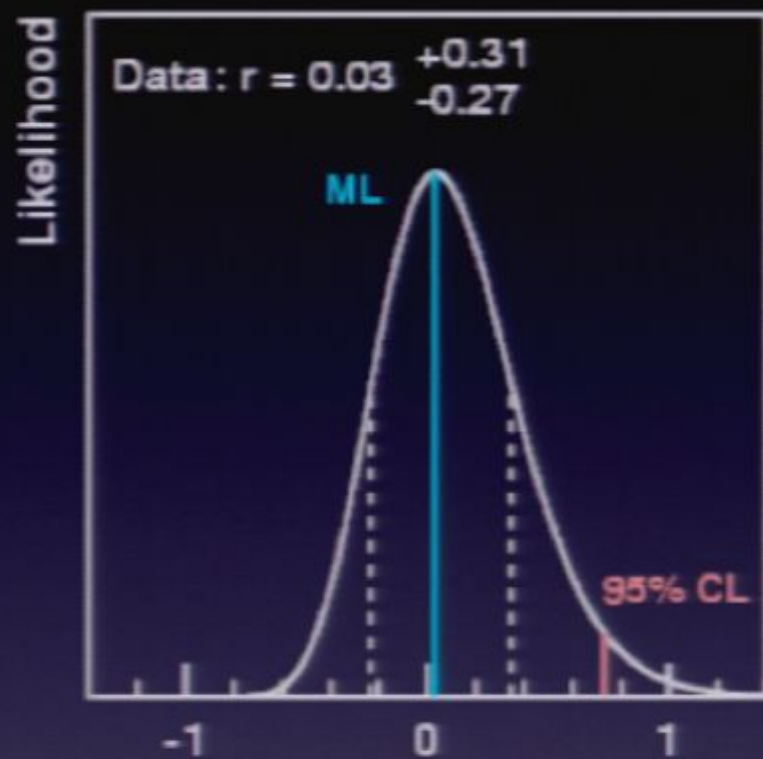
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B-mode Polarization Limits compared to $r=0.1$

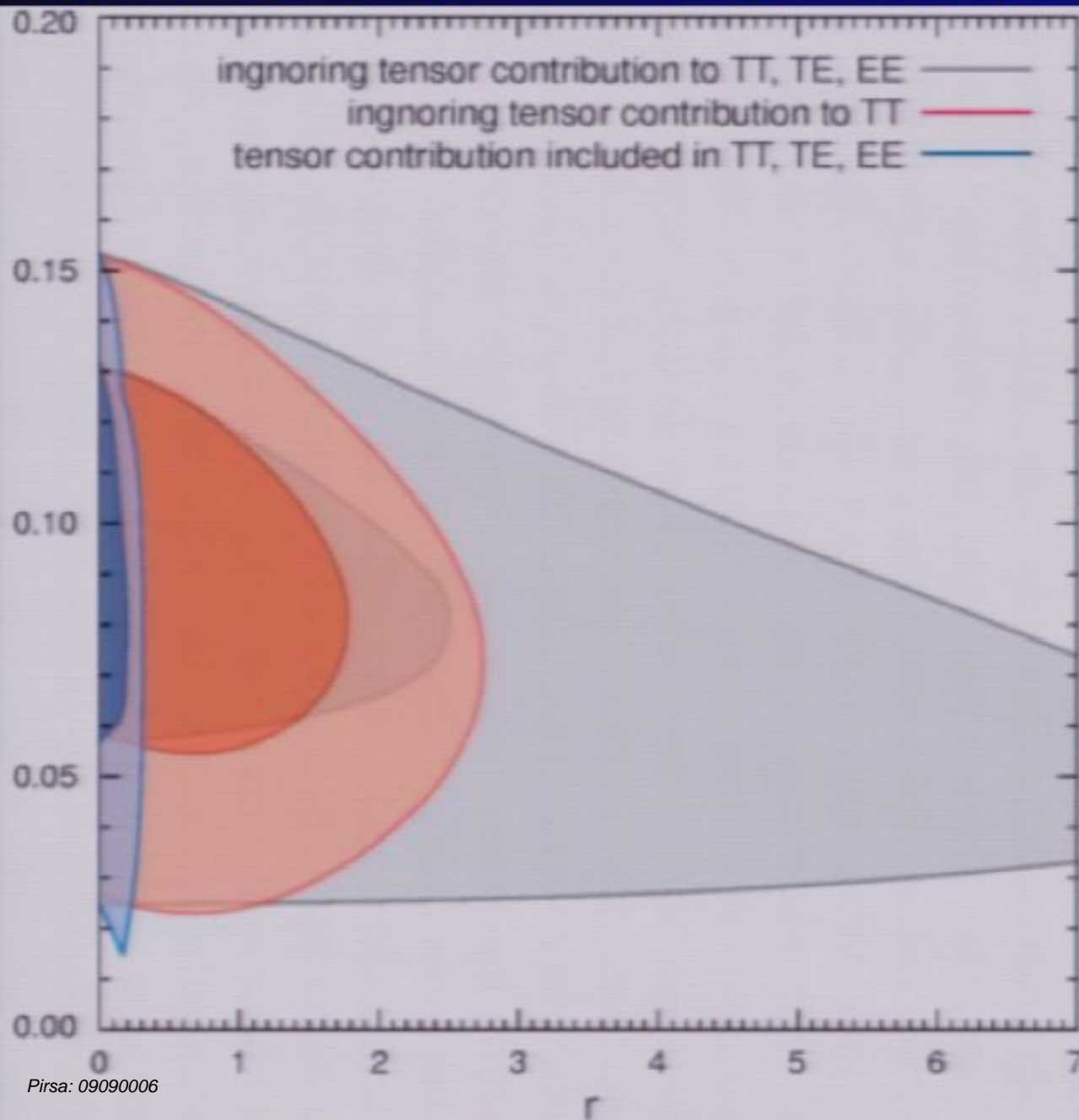


Constraint on r from BICEP BB



- Assume fixed LCDM parameters, calculate template BB, vary r
- Calculate chi-squared and likelihood as function of r

Constraints on GW



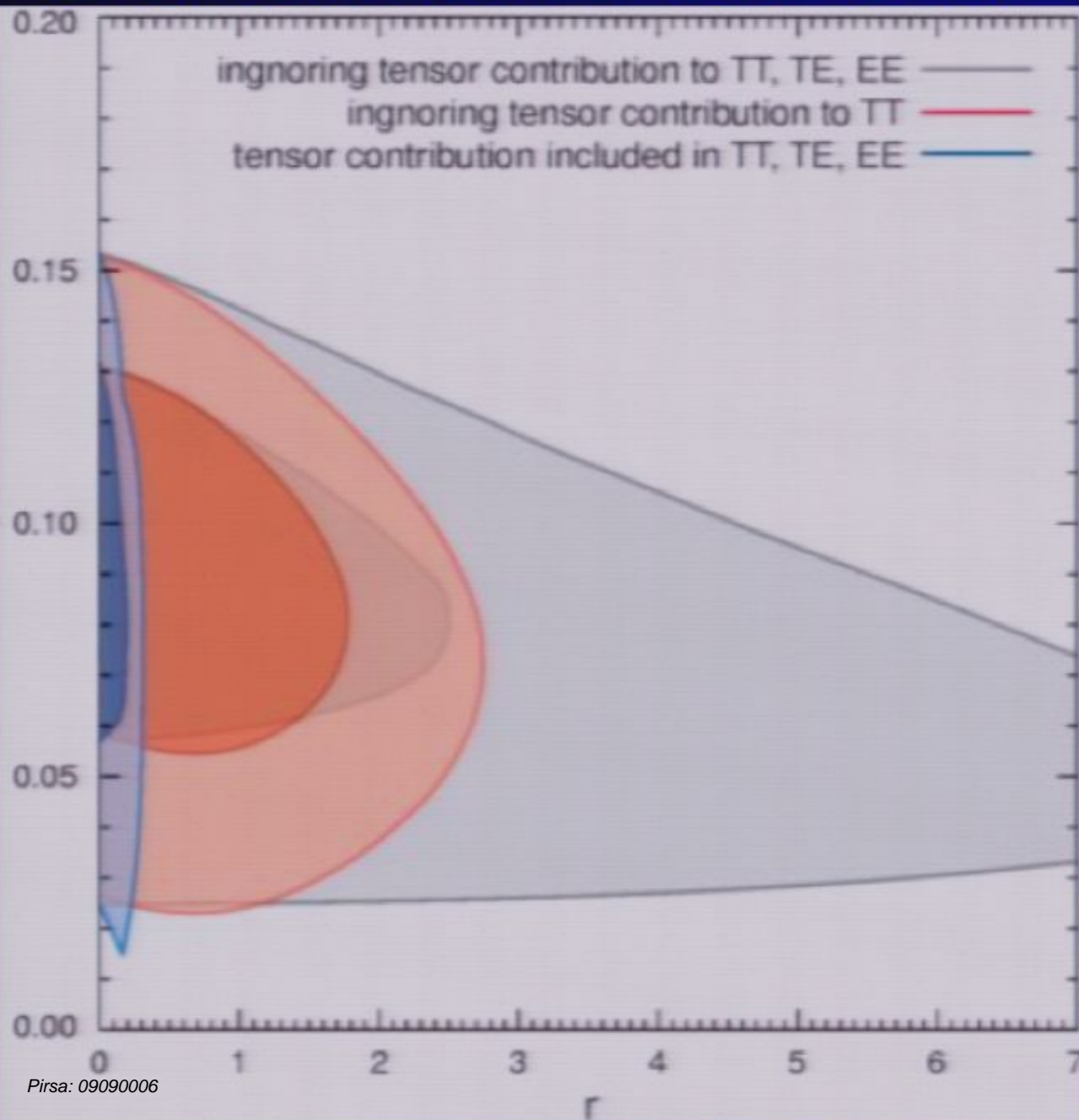
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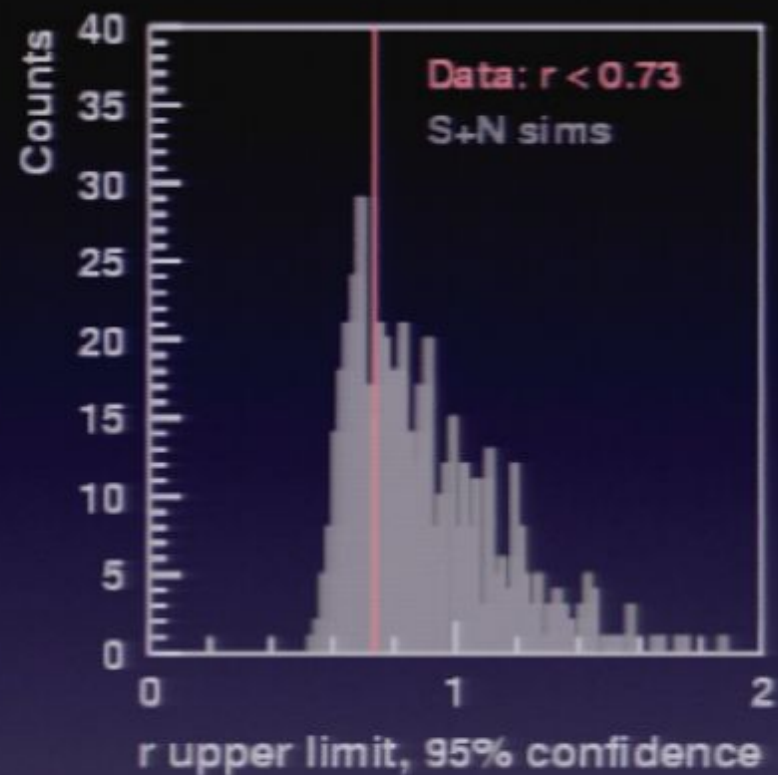
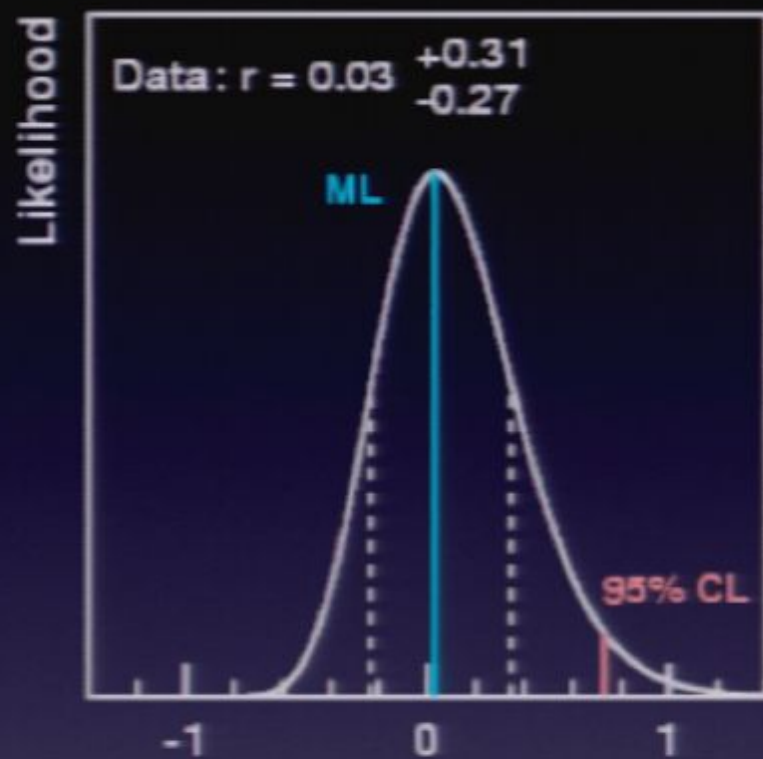
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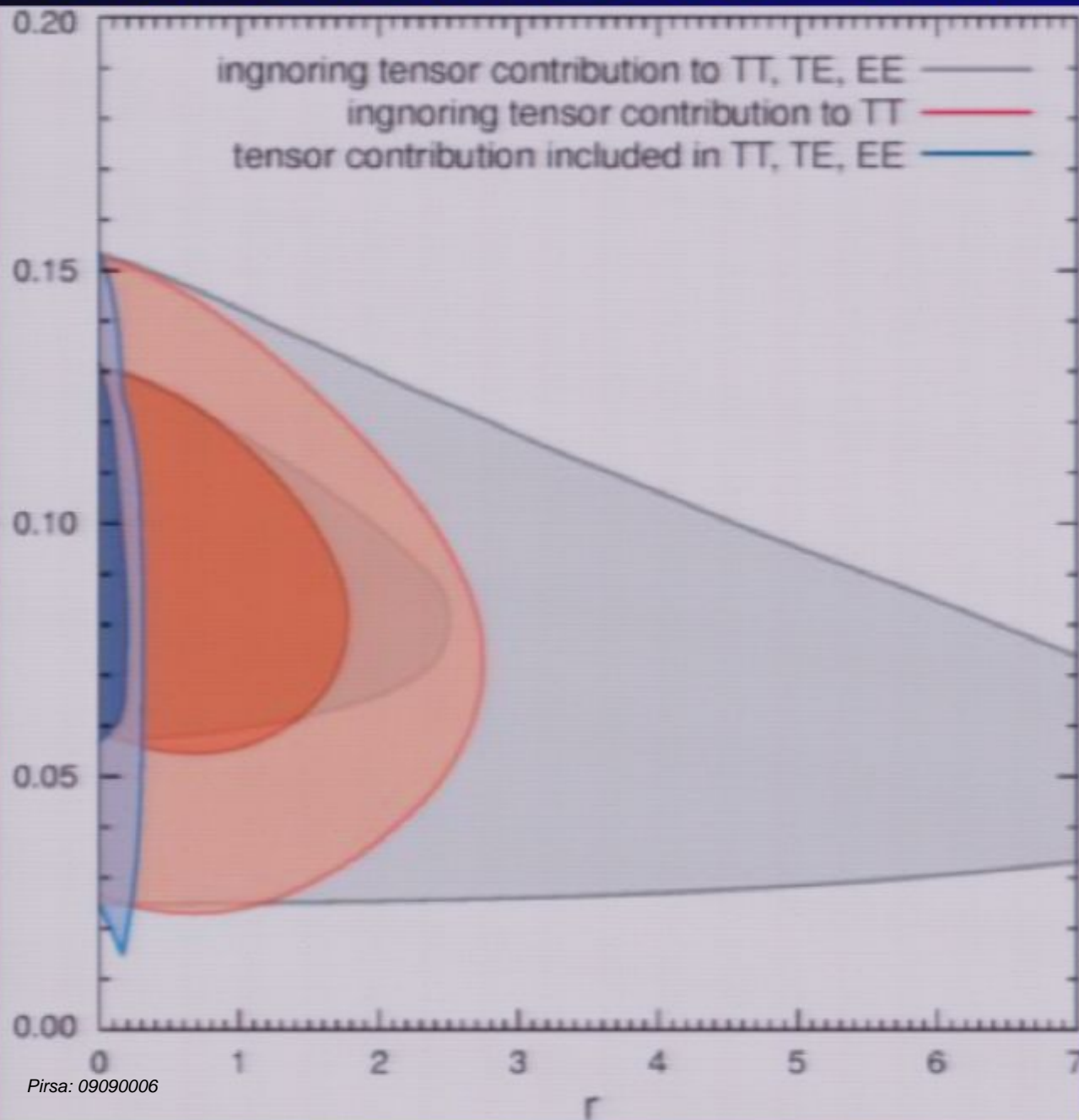
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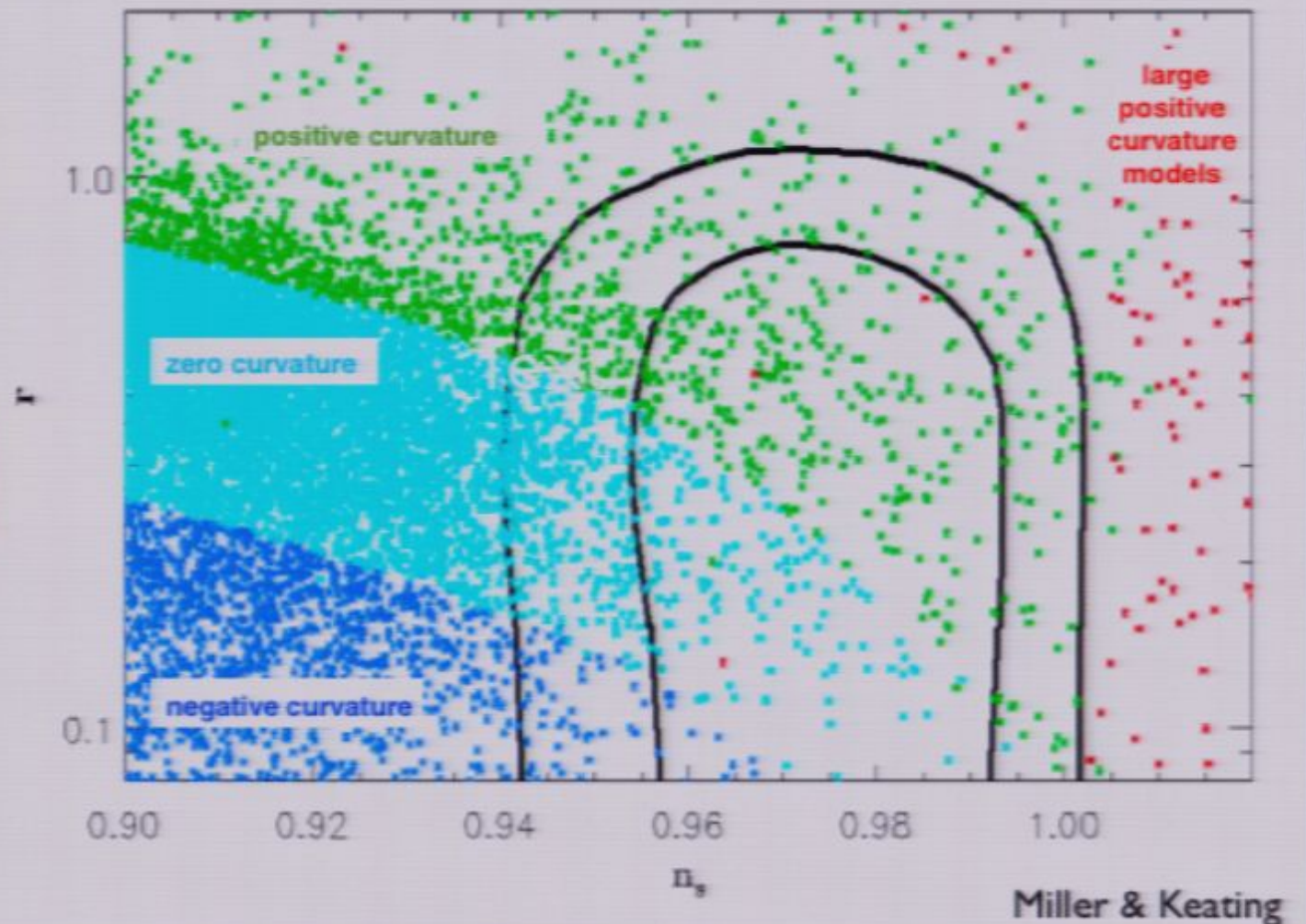
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What can we say about the Taxonomy of the Inflationary “Zoo”

tensor - to - scalar ratio
 $r \approx V/[3.8 \times 10^{16} \text{ GeV}]^4$

$V < [3.5 \times 10^{16} \text{ GeV}]^4$



WMAP BB only gives $r < 6$

WMAP priors on n_s , BICEP BB limits

Probing CPT Violation with CMB Polarization Measurements

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The electrodynamics modified by the Chern-Simons term $\mathcal{L}_{CS} \sim p_\mu A_\nu \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$ with a non-vanishing p_μ violates the Charge-Parity-Time Reversal symmetry (CPT) and rotates the linear polarizations of the propagating Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB) photons. In this paper we measure the rotation angle $\Delta\alpha$ by performing a global analysis on the current CMB polarization measurements from the five-year Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe (WMAP5), BOOMERanG 2003 (B03), BICEP and QUaD using a Markov Chain Monte Carlo method. We find that the results from WMAP5, B03 and BICEP all are consistent and their combination gives $\Delta\alpha = -2.62 \pm 0.87$ deg (68% C.L.), indicating a 3σ detection of the CPT violation for the first time. The QUaD data alone gives $\Delta\alpha = 0.59 \pm 0.42$ deg (68% C.L.) which has an opposite sign for the central value and smaller error bar compared to that obtained from WMAP5, B03 and BICEP. When combining all the polarization data together, we find $\Delta\alpha = 0.09 \pm 0.36$ deg (68% C.L.) which significantly improves the previous constraint on $\Delta\alpha$ and test the validity of the fundamental CPT symmetry at a higher level.

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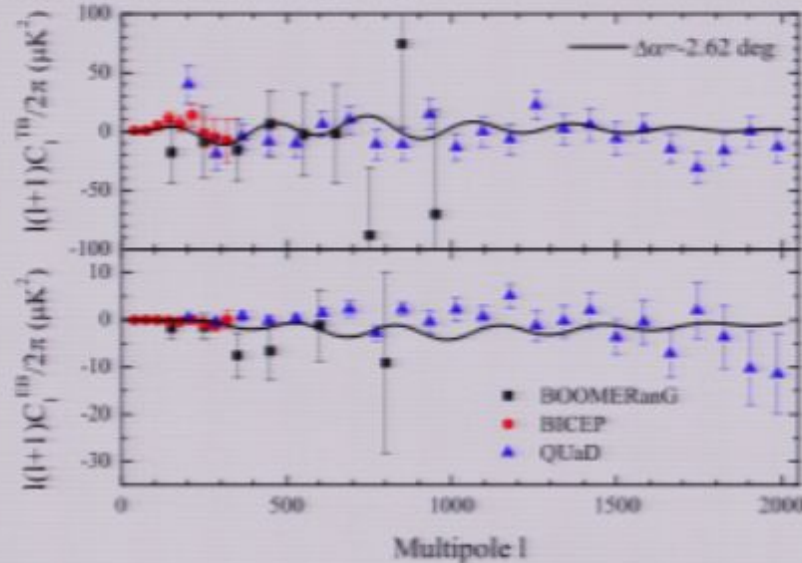


FIG. 1: The binned TB and EB spectra measured by the small-scale CMB experiments of BOOMERanG (black squares), BICEP (red circles) and QUaD (blue triangles). The black solid curves show the theoretical prediction of a model

Xia et al. claim a first detection of CB, parameterized by rotation angle α

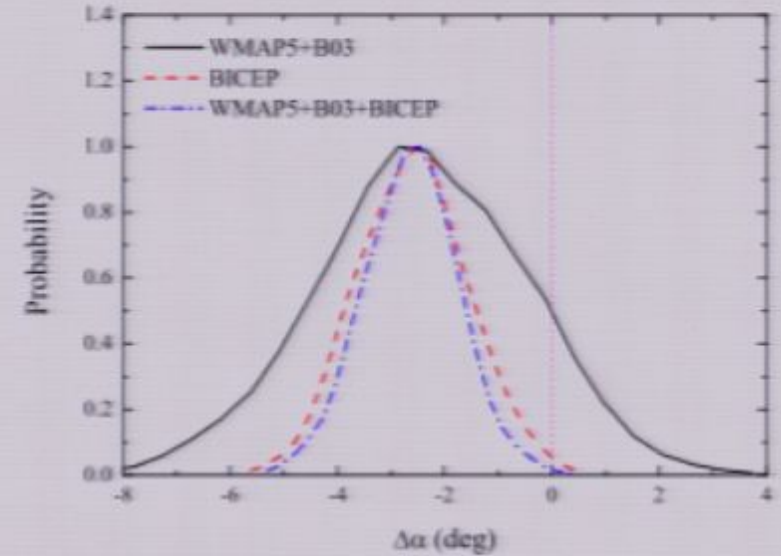


FIG. 2: One-dimensional posterior distributions of the rotation angle derived from various data combinations. The dotted vertical line illustrates the unrotated case ($\Delta\alpha = 0$) to

Parity Violating Interactions

$$L \propto E^2 - B^2 \rightarrow E^2 - B^2 + g \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}$$

Carroll & Field (1990)

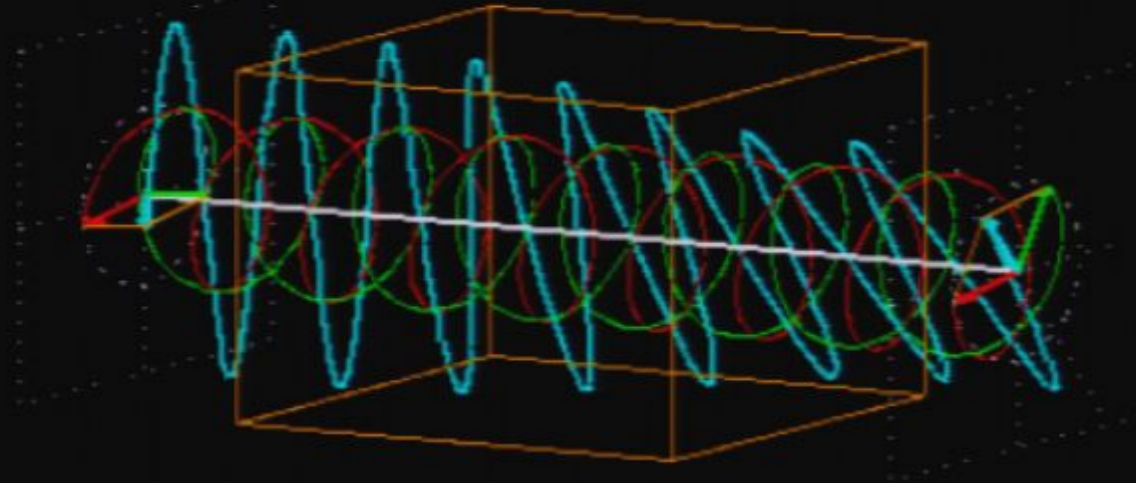
Modified Lagrangian

$$\omega^2 = k^2 \pm (4\pi g_\chi \dot{\chi}) k$$

We have two different phase velocities; one for left-circular polarization, the other for right circular polarization.

The superposition of the two circular polarizations causes rotation of the plane of linear polarization!

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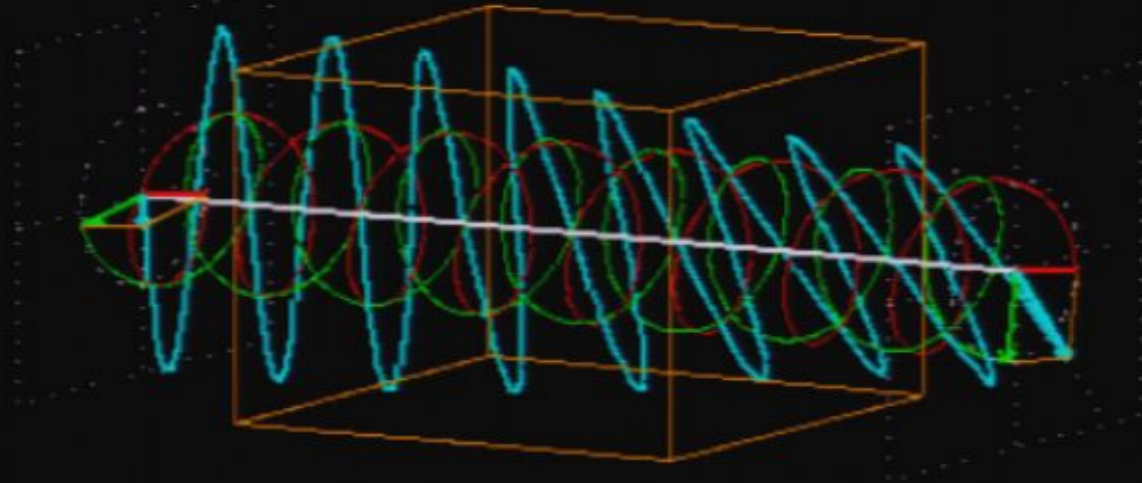


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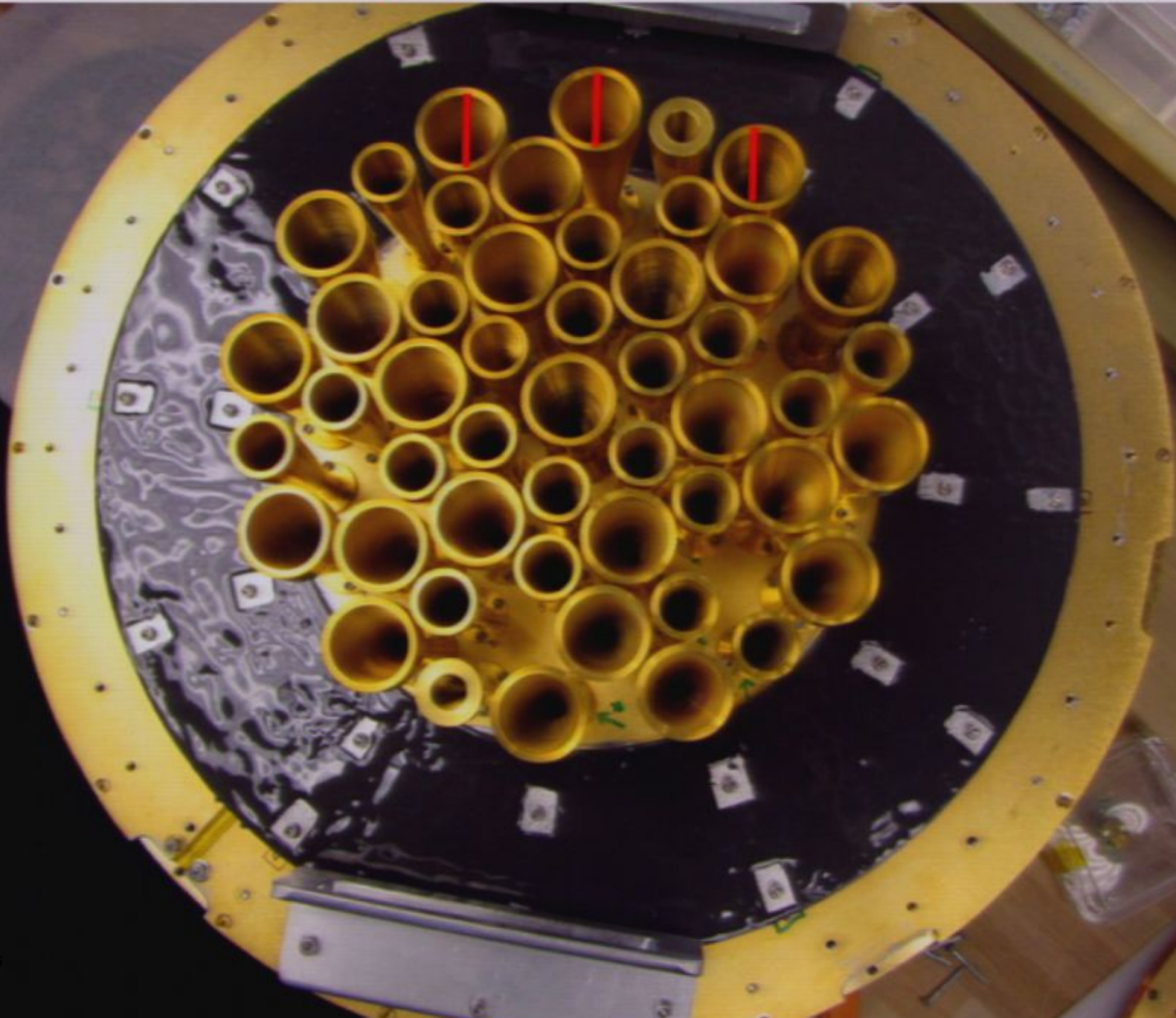


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Pixel rotation and uncertainty in orientation results in systematic polarization.



Systematic Spectra : Scaling laws

Ellipticity Effects

TB scales as: $\mp e(l\sigma)^2 C_l^T \sin 2\psi$

EB scales as: $\pm e^2(l\sigma)^4 C_l^T \sin 2\psi \cos 2\psi$

Rotation Effect

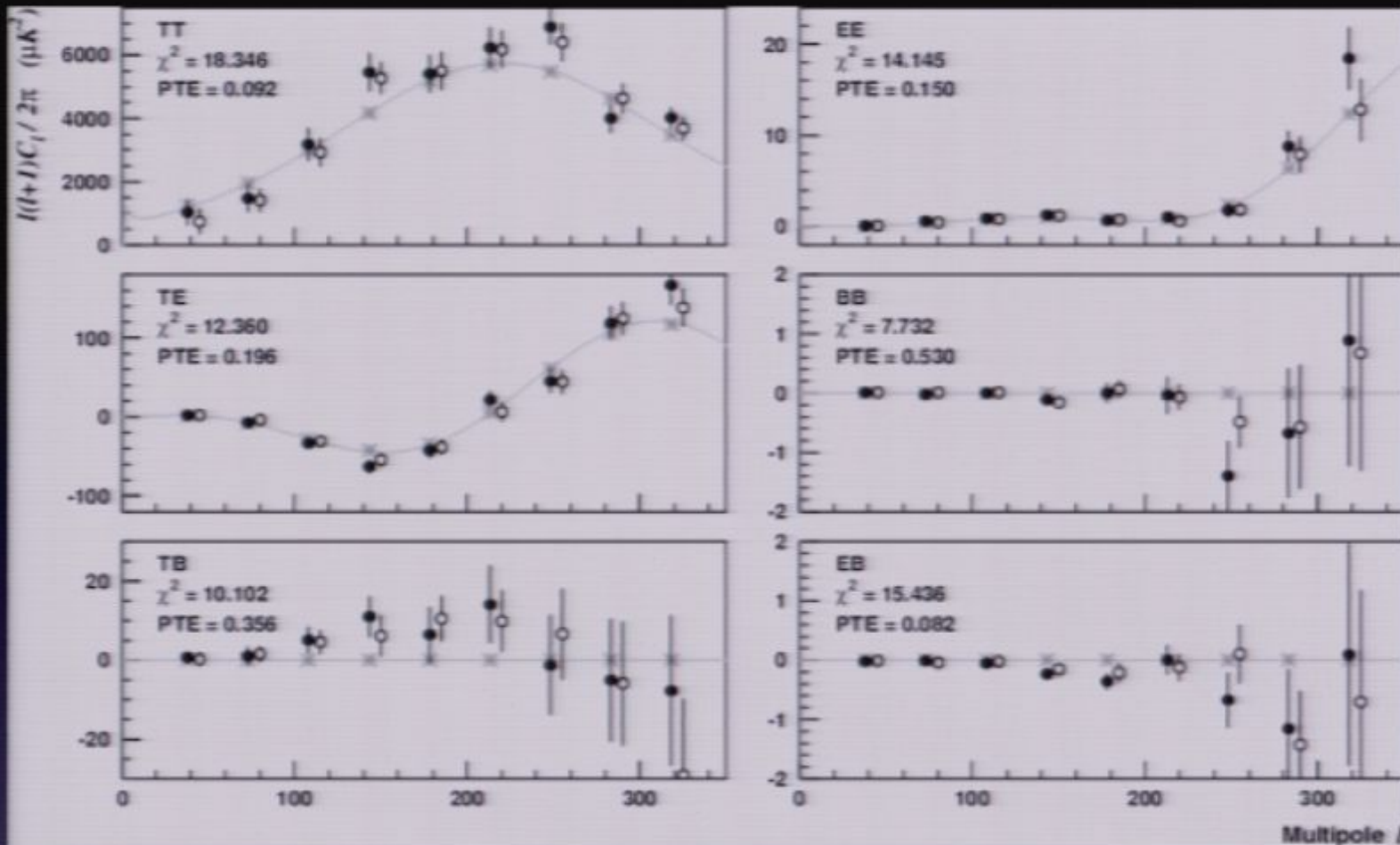
TB scales as: $C_\ell^{\text{TE}} \varepsilon$

EB scales as: $\frac{1}{2}(C_\ell^{\text{EE}} - C_\ell^{\text{BB}}) \varepsilon$

Notes

- In general, one prefers to measure a cross-correlation rather than an auto-correlation as this minimizes several forms of noise bias.
- For example, in BICEP our tightest BB constraints come from cross-correlating $\langle C_{L,100\text{GHz}} C_{L,150\text{GHz}} \rangle$ not from auto-correlating $\langle C_{L,150\text{GHz}} C_{L,150\text{GHz}} \rangle$.
- First, we look at BICEP power spectra used by Xia et al, ignoring systematics - is there evidence for non-zero TB & EB?

BICEP vs. Standard model: $TB=EB=0$

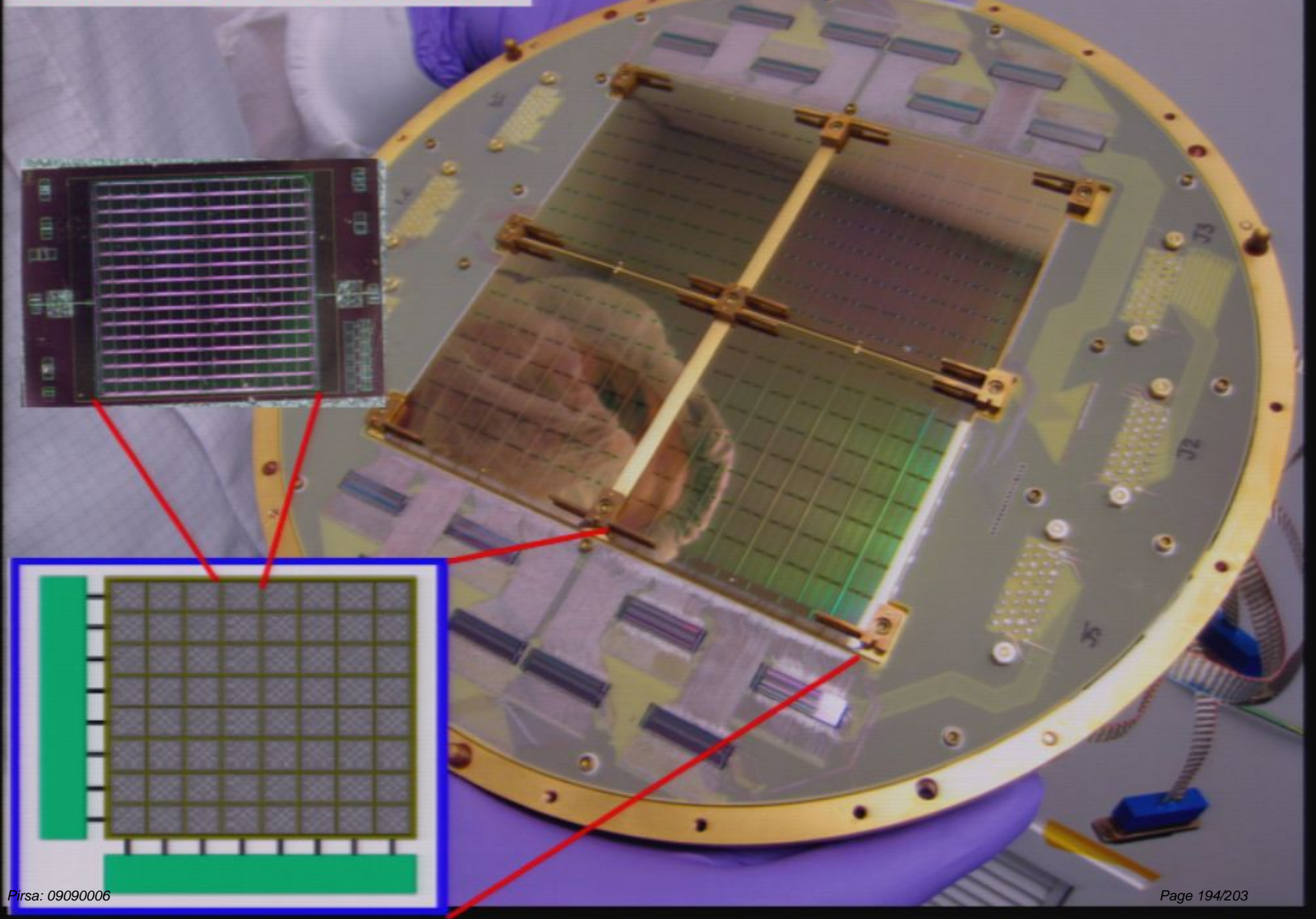


- PTE on EB is low suggesting systematics playing a role?
- PTE on TB is large; consistent with standard model.
- Use the combination of TB and EB PTE to isolate the systematic effect vs. the 'real effect'

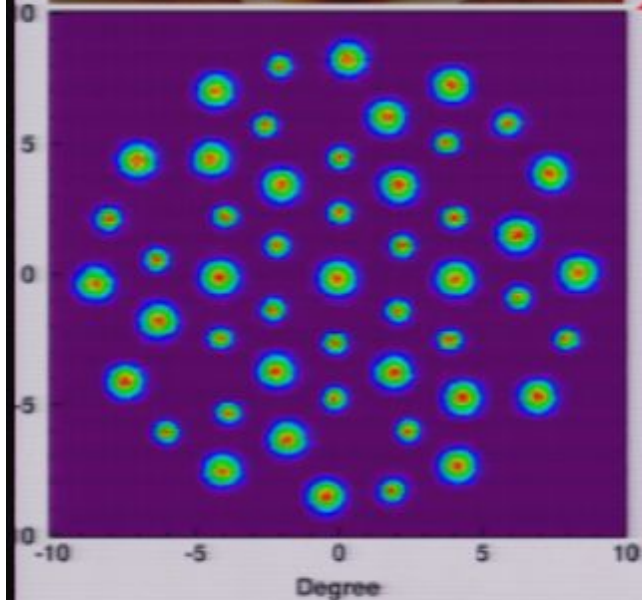
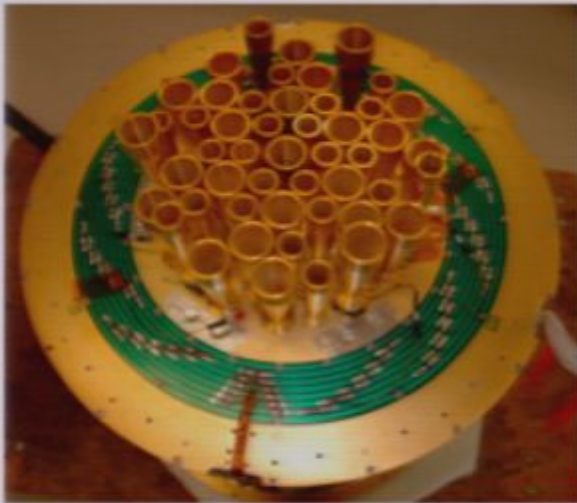
More results to come...with $\approx 2x$ more data

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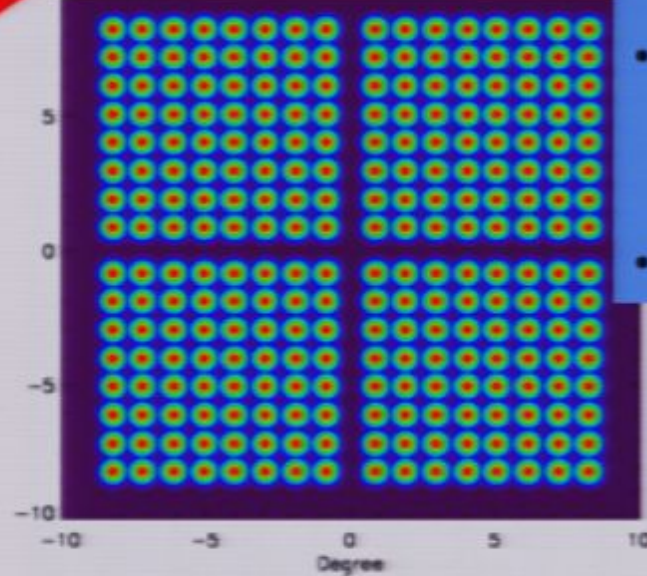
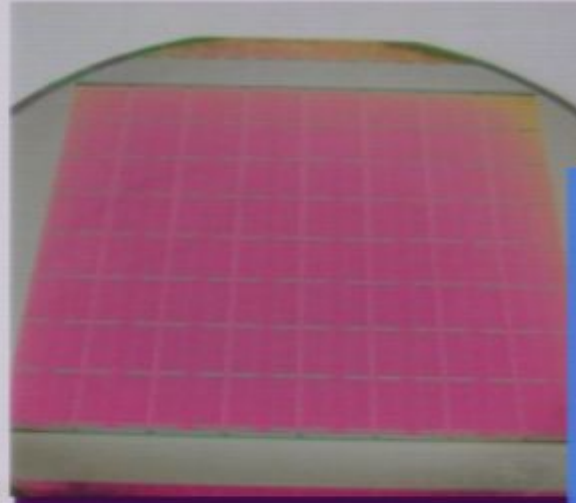
After BICEP comes BICEP2



BICEP1

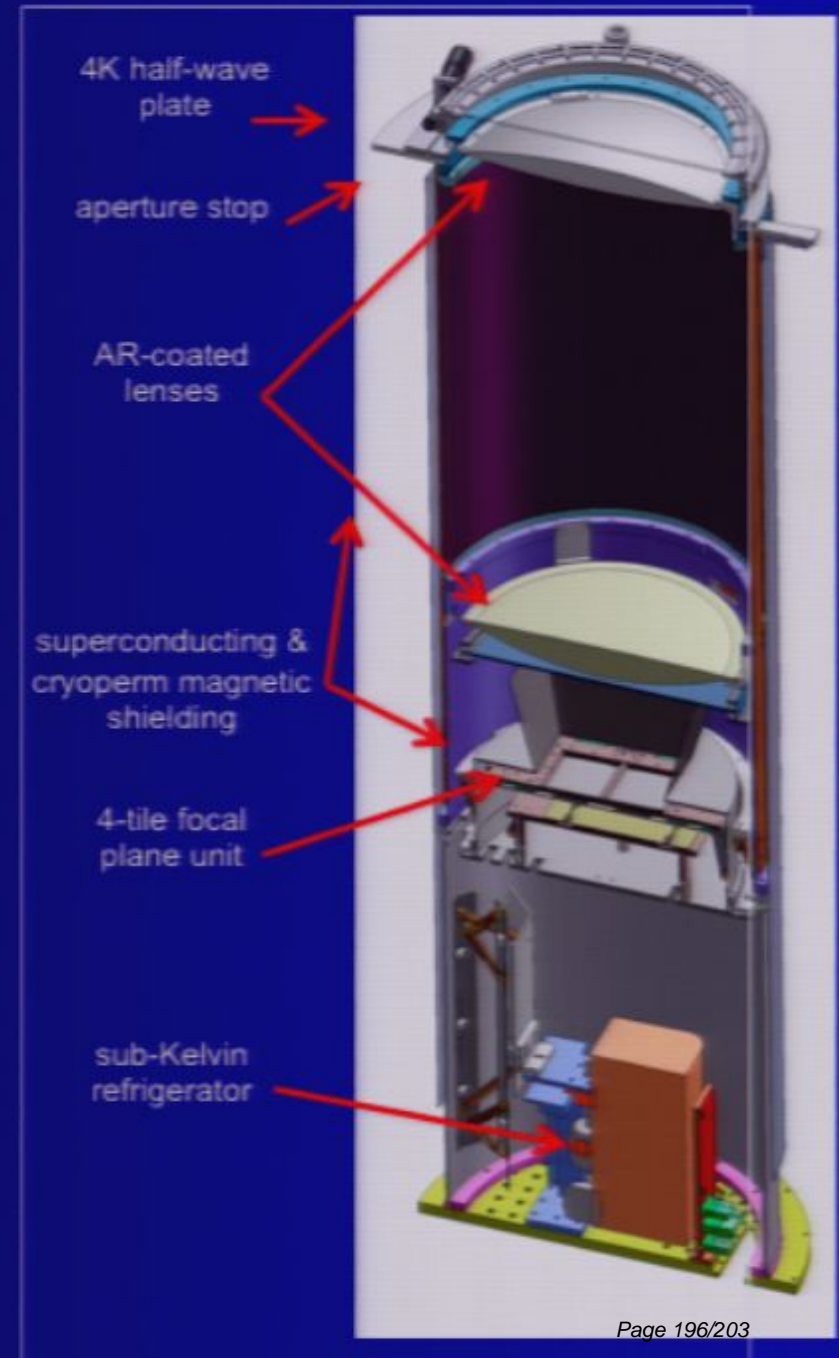


BICEP2

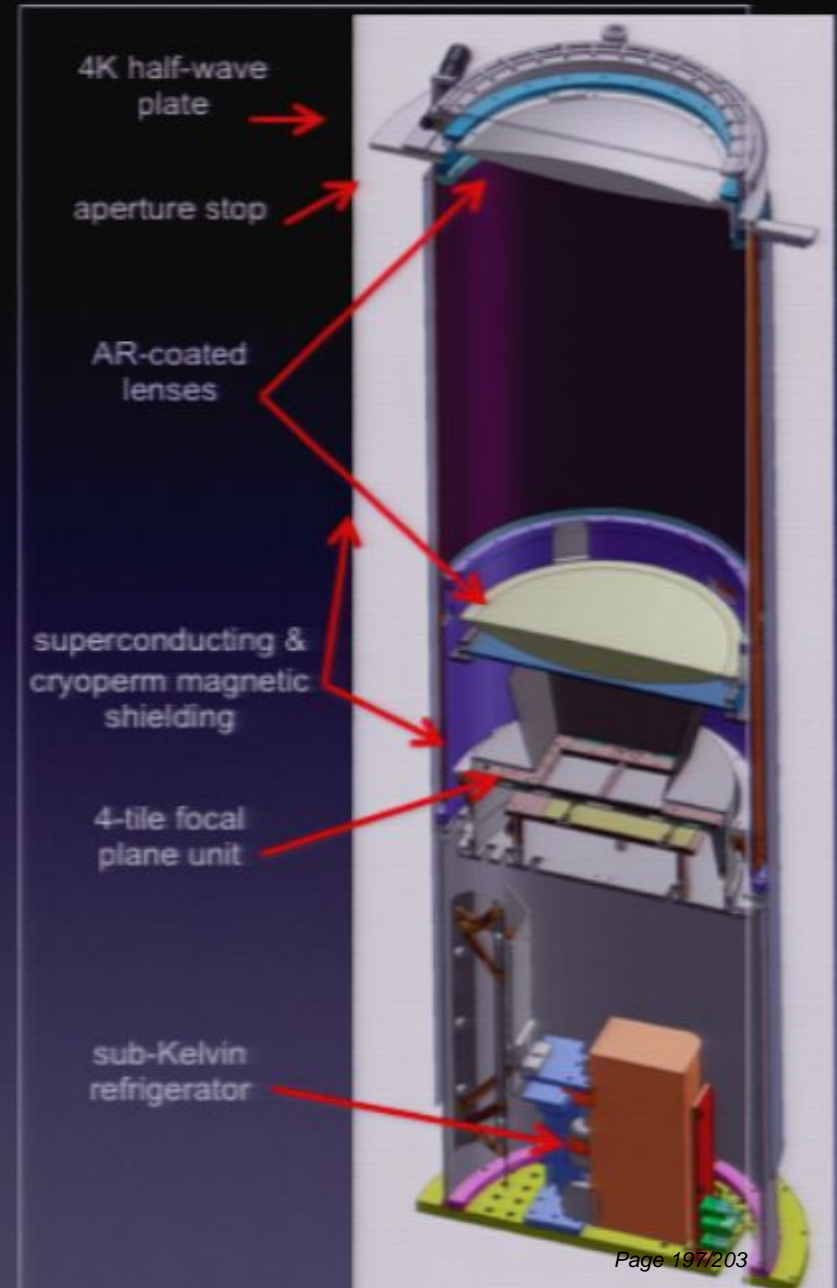
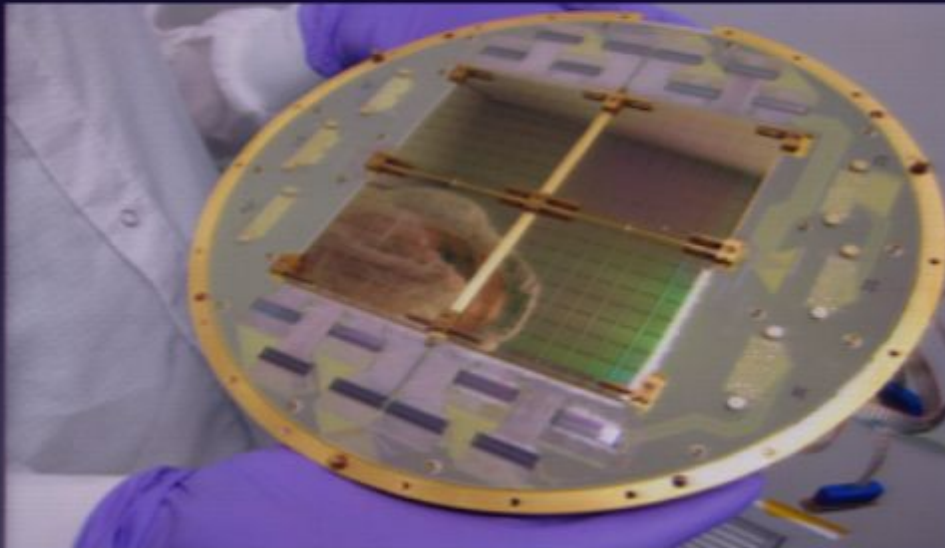


- Integrate all these components on a Si wafer -> mass production
- Compact, inexpensive, photolithographic
- TES enables SQUID multiplexed read-out (NIST/UBC)
- Higher packing density

This is BICEP 2....
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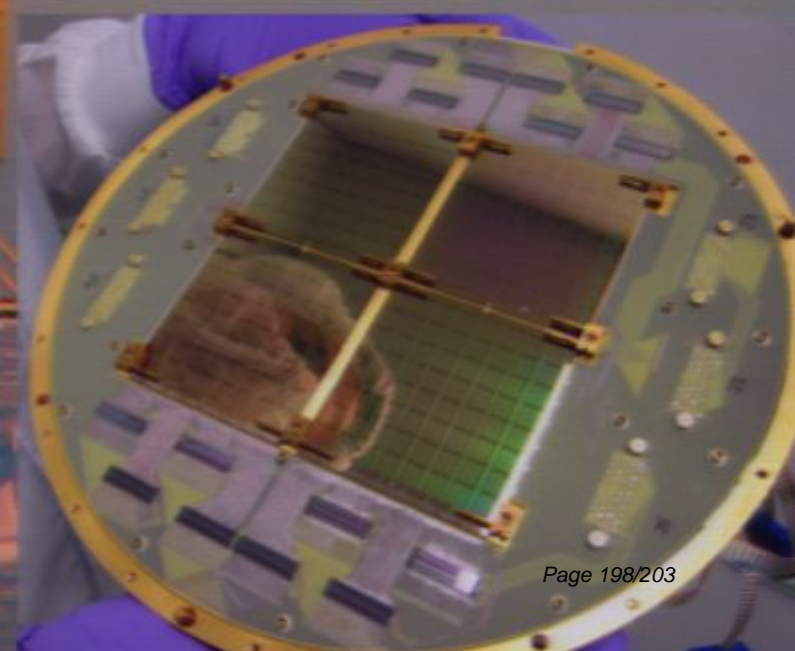
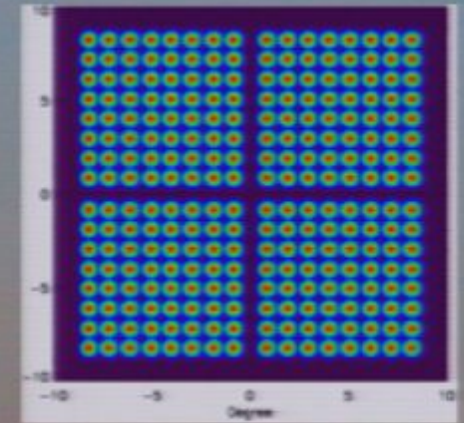
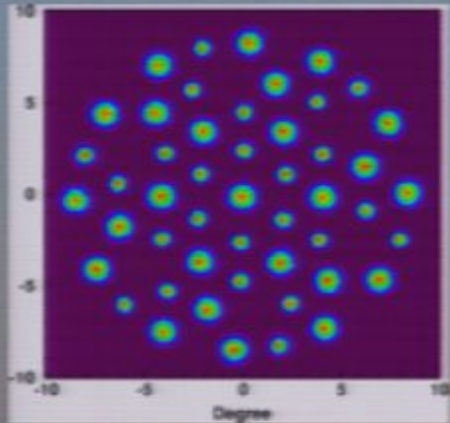


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BICEP2 will take over: 2010-2011

~5x mapping speed



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- BICEP2 will probe down to plausible Inflationary energy scales.