

# Future Measurements in Cosmology - a small sampling

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(<http://predictions.astrology.com/cb/>)



# Major Reports

- Quarks to Cosmos report, <http://books.nap.edu/openbook.php?isbn=0309074061>
- BEPAC report, <http://www.aura-astronomy.org/nv/bepac.pdf>
- US Decadal Survey, 2000, <http://www.nap.edu/openbook.php?isbn=0309070317>; next one in 2010
- European Science Vision, 2007, <http://www.astronet-eu.org/-Science-Vision->

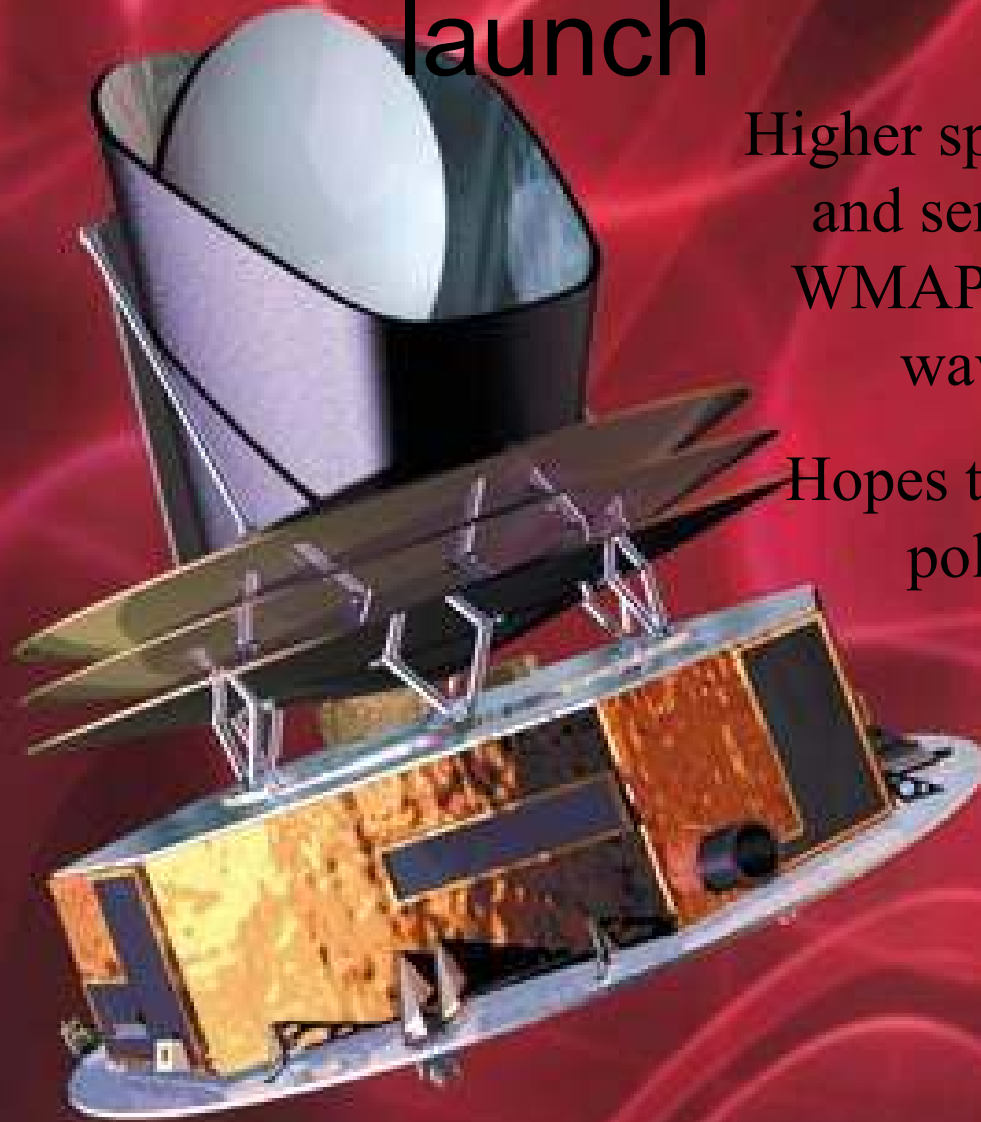
# Major Topics

- CMB: anisotropy, polarization, spectrum
- Dark Energy
- Dark Matter
- 21 cm redshifted H surveys
- Everything about luminous matter
- GR tests
- Particle properties

# CMB Polarization

- Reference: Weiss report,  
[http://www.nsf.gov/mps/ast/tfcr\\_final\\_report.pdf](http://www.nsf.gov/mps/ast/tfcr_final_report.pdf)
  - Definition of the challenge
  - Tutorial on all major effects
  - Comparison of ground and satellite requirements

# Planck Mission - ESA-led with NASA contributions, for 2008 launch



Higher spatial resolution  
and sensitivity than  
WMAP, with shorter  
wavelengths

Hopes to see B-mode  
polarization

# BEPAC summary of Inflation Probe

TABLE 2.D.1 Inflation Probe: Mission Description

	CMB polarization	CIP
Primary measurement	CMB B-mode Survey	H $\alpha$ galaxy survey
Observatory type	millimeter telescope	Passively cooled slitless grating spectrograph
Projected years in orbit	1	3
Type of orbit	L2 or IRAS/COBE	L2 or IRAS/COBE
Mission phases	One phase, full time scanning	One phase, full time scanning
Science operations	Full time scanning	Full time scanning
Other mission characteristics	Cryogenic	

TABLE 2.D.2 Inflation Probe: Mission Instrument Properties

Instrument	Spectral Range	Spatial Resolution	Spectral Resolution (" / #")	Collecting Area	Field of View
EPIC-F	30 – 300 GHz	0.25-2.5 degrees	3	0.4 m <sup>2</sup>	5 degrees
CMBPol	30 – 300 GHz	1 degree	3	0.2 m <sup>2</sup>	~15 degrees
EPIC-I	30 – 250 GHz	1 degree	3	0.002-0.1 m <sup>2</sup>	7 degrees
CIP	2.5 – 5 $\mu$ m	0.2 arcsec	600	2.54 m <sup>2</sup>	20 arcmin

## 2.D.2 Mission Science Goals

# Charts from Gary Hinshaw for BEPAC



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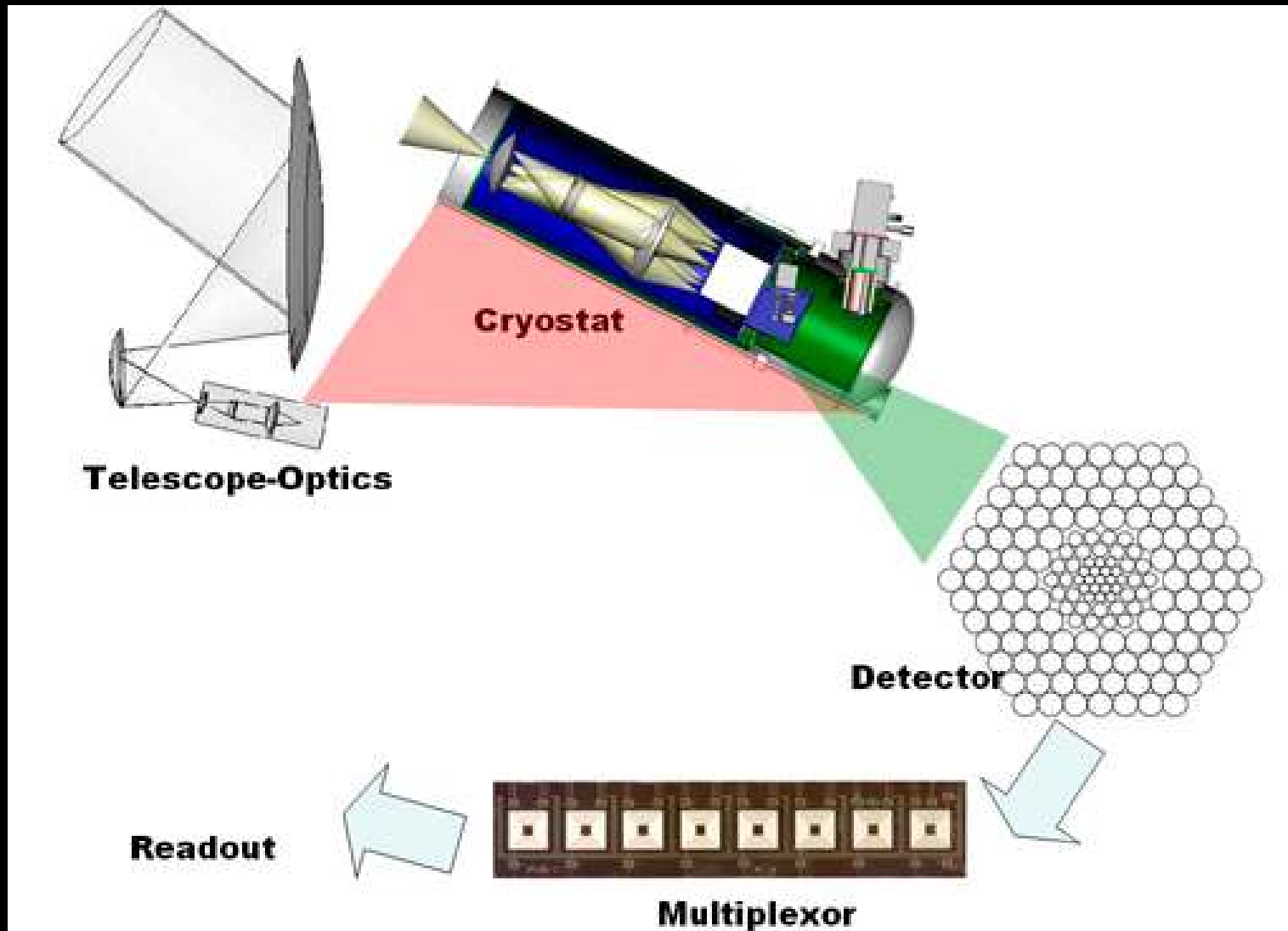
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# Ground-based CMB polarization plans

- Balloons and low- to high-altitude sites
- Atmosphere not polarized (much) but limits sensitivity
- Need immense sensitivity, huge fields of view, large numbers of detectors, polarization modulation schemes, systematic error control, measurements of galactic foregrounds, ability to separate B and E modes, ...
- Angular resolution not limited on ground, but balloons ~ space probes (diffraction limited)
- Atacama Cosmology Telescope ACT, CAPMAP, QuAD, Polar Bear, QUIET, ...

# Polar Bear concept

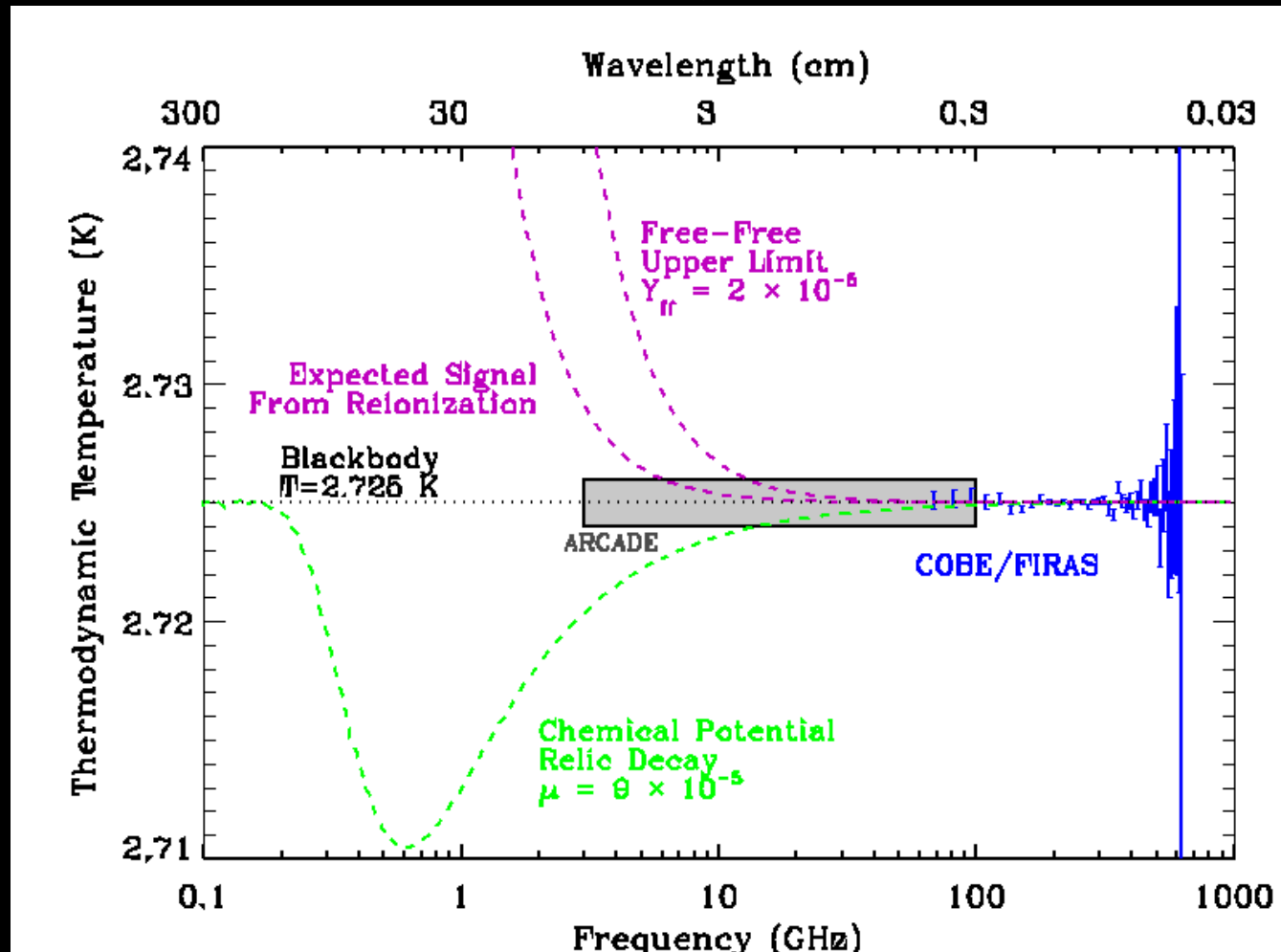
<http://bolo.berkeley.edu/polarbear/instrument/instrument.html>



# CMB Spectrum

- Kogut et al. ARCADE, possible future satellite missions, at long wavelength
- Sunyaev challenge: ppb at short wavelength

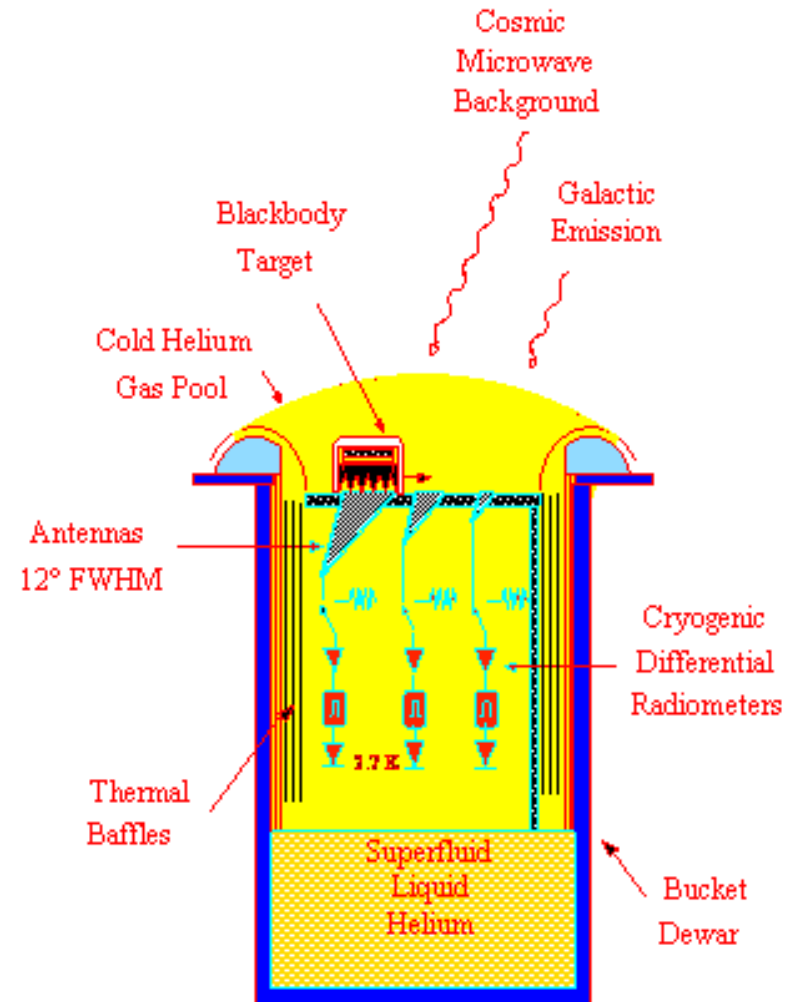
# Longer Wavelength CMB Spectrum



Predicted free-free signal from ionized gas to  $z \sim 6$  must be  $> 0.3$  mK at 3 GHz. Halo formation near reionization implies  $2 \text{ mK} < dT < 5 \text{ mK}$  at 3 GHz. Predicted signal from reionization and structure formation (purple curve). (Arcade.gsfc.nasa.gov)

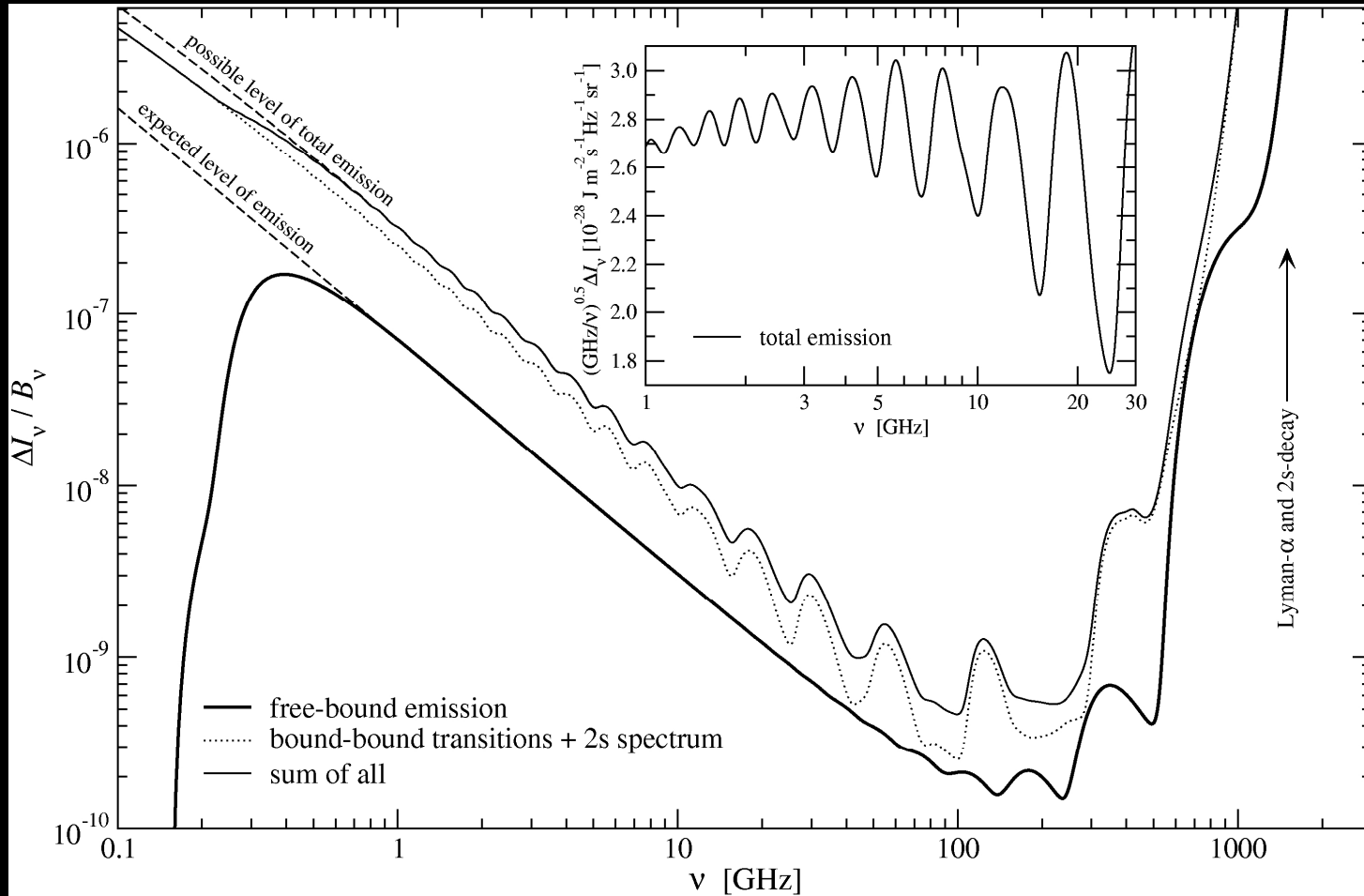
# ARCADE

- Al Kogut, PI
- 3 to 90 GHz, with microwave technology
- Absolutely calibrated by full beam blackbody, mK accuracy
- Balloon payload, open helium bucket, helium outflow keeps equipment clean
- 4 flights completed
- Measurement sensitivity  $\gamma_{ff} < 10^{-6}$ ,  $\mu < 2 \times 10^{-5}$
- <http://arcade.gsfc.nasa.gov>





# FIRAS 2: Was recombination era out of equilibrium?



Sunyaev et al. predictions  
Or, LiH lines, ...

# Improvements over FIRAS

- Totally symmetrical instrument
- Totally isothermal instrument, matching CMB temperature
- 1000x better detectors, possibly post-dispersed for better sensitivity: photon noise allows ppb (few nK)
- Isolators between (colder) detectors and instrument; alternatively, kinematic inductance thermometers for detectors without self-heating
- Possibly, use of paraboloid reflector for smaller beamwidth, to see through holes in local dust clouds
- Far from Earth, for better sidelobe control
- Better thermometers, for comparison with other instruments

## Dark Matter talks

- <http://www.physics.ucla.edu/hep/dm08/talks.html>

# Four roads to dark matter: *catch it, infer it, make it, weigh it*

**Direct:**



**Production:**



Max Tegmark's Chart, UCLA Conf 2008

**Indirect:**

GLAST launch  
scheduled for  
May 16 2008



**Gravitational:**

Planck launch  
scheduled for  
~ July 31 2008

21 cm  
tomography  
coming



# Weak lensing - measures distorted shapes of galaxies, to deduce intervening masses

- Wide field surveys with excellent image quality & control
- E.g., Large Synoptic Survey Telescope (LSST): 8.4 m telescope, huge detectors and computers, in progress  
[http://www.lsst.org/lsst\\_home.shtml](http://www.lsst.org/lsst_home.shtml)
- Aim to get 3 dimensional model of DM
- Many smaller competitors, ground & space

# Upcoming lensing measurements:

More from Nick Scoville in next talk

Survey	Telescope	Sky coverage	Filters	depth
Deep Lens Survey	CTIO	7x4 $deg^2$	BVRz'	R=25
CFHTLS-Wide	CFHT	170 $deg^2$	ugriz	$i_{AB}=24.5$
RCS2	CFHT	1000 $deg^2$	grz	$i_{AB}=22.5$
KIDS	VST	1500 $deg^2$	ugriz	$i_{AB}=22.9$
Pan-STARRS	PS1	30000 $deg^2$	grizy	$i_{AB}=24$
VIKING	VISTA	1500 $deg^2$	zYJHK	$i_{AB}=22.9$
Dark Energy Survey	CTIO	5000 $deg^2$	griz	$i_{AB}=24.5$
DarkCam	VISTA	10000 $deg^2$	ugriz	$i_{AB}=24$
HyperCam	SUBARU	3500 $deg^2$	TBD	TBD
SNAP	Space	300/2000 $deg^2$	Narrow band (0.35-1.6)	TBD
LSST	6m ground	20000 $deg^2$	Narrow band (0.35-1.2)	$i_{AB}=27$
DUNE	Space	20000 $deg^2$	TBD	$i_{AB}=25.5$

Ongoing

Within  
a year

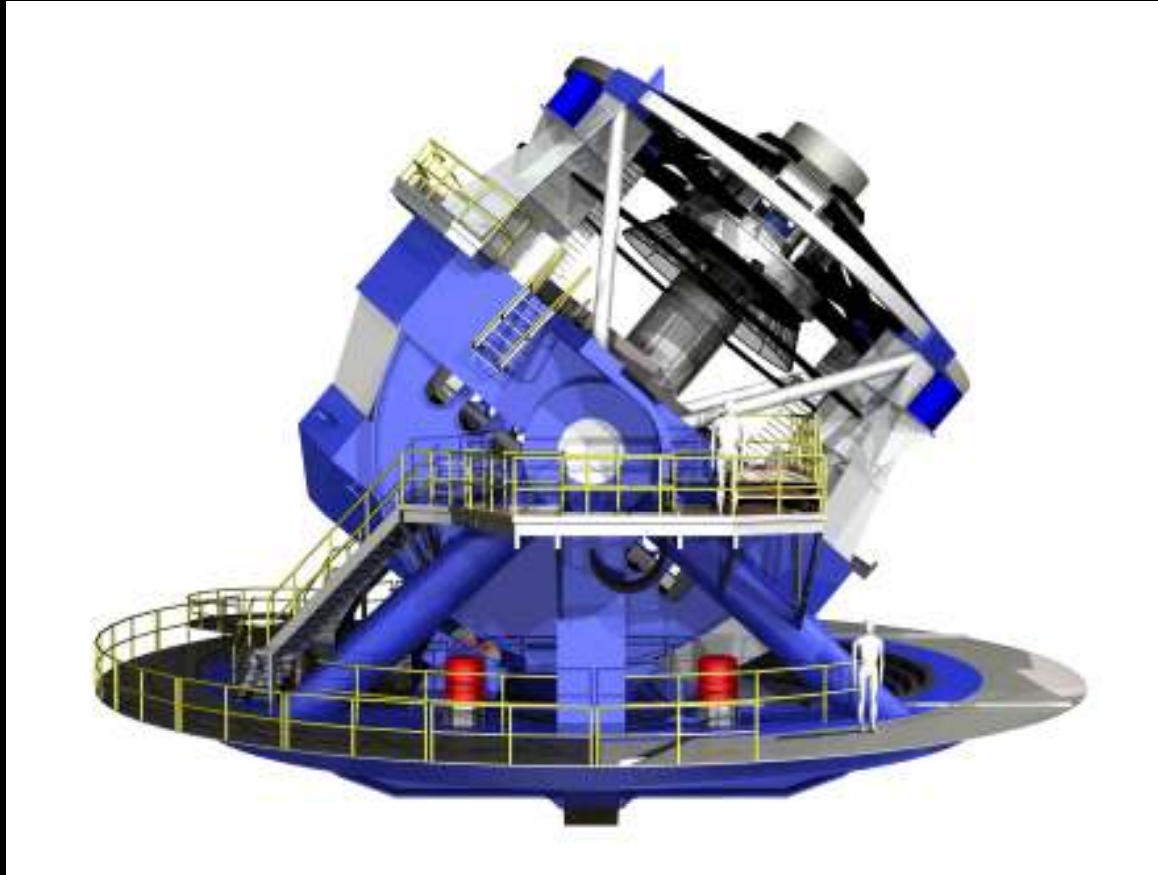
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# LSST



- 8.4-meter, 9.6-square-degree field telescope will provide digital imaging of faint astronomical objects across the entire sky, night after night. With 15-second exposures, LSST will cover the available sky every three nights.

# Dark Energy Measurements

- Dark Energy Task Force (DETF):  
<http://arxiv.org/abs/astro-ph/0609591>
- BEPAC report: <http://www.aura-astronomy.org/nv/bepac.pdf>
- Curmudgeon viewpoint: Simon White,  
<http://arxiv.org/abs/0704.2291>
- John Peacock lecture at STScI:  
[http://www.stsci.edu/institute/itsd/information/streaming/archive/SpringSymposium2008/JohnPeacock050808Hi\\_supporting/Peacock.ppt](http://www.stsci.edu/institute/itsd/information/streaming/archive/SpringSymposium2008/JohnPeacock050808Hi_supporting/Peacock.ppt)



# **Dark Energy Task Force**

Report to the AAAC  
13 February 2005

Rocky Kolb  
Andy Albrecht



# Fifteen Findings

1. Four observational techniques dominate White Papers:
  - a. Baryon Acoustic Oscillations (**BAO**) large-scale surveys measure features in distribution of galaxies. BAO:  $d_A(z)$  and  $H(z)$ .
  - b. Cluster (**CL**) surveys measure spatial distribution of galaxy clusters. CL:  $d_A(z)$ ,  $H(z)$ , growth of structure.
  - c. Supernovae (**SN**) surveys measure flux and redshift of Type Ia SNe. SN:  $d_L(z)$ .
  - d. Weak Lensing (**WL**) surveys measure distortion of background images due to gravitational lensing. WL:  $d_A(z)$ , growth of structure.
2. Different techniques have different strengths and weaknesses and sensitive in different ways to dark energy and other cosmo. parameters.
3. Each of the four techniques can be pursued by multiple observational approaches (radio, visible, NIR, x-ray observations), and a single experiment can study dark energy with multiple techniques. Not all missions necessarily cover all techniques; in principle different combinations of projects can accomplish the same overall goals.

# *Fifteen Findings*

4. Four techniques at different levels of maturity:
  - a. **BAO** only recently established. Less affected by astrophysical uncertainties than other techniques.
  - b. **CL** least developed. Eventual accuracy very difficult to predict. Application to the study of dark energy would have to be built upon a strong case that systematics due to non-linear astrophysical processes are under control.
  - c. **SN** presently most powerful and best proven technique. If photo-z's are used, the power of the supernova technique depends critically on accuracy achieved for photo-z's. If spectroscopically measured redshifts are used, the power as reflected in the figure-of-merit is much better known, with the outcome depending on the ultimate systematic uncertainties.
  - d. **WL** also emerging technique. Eventual accuracy will be limited by systematic errors that are difficult to predict. *If* the systematic errors are at or below the level proposed by the proponents, it is likely to be the most powerful individual technique and also the most powerful component in a multi-technique program.

# JDEM (Joint Dark Energy Mission) per BEPAC

TABLE 2.E.1 JDEM: Mission Description

<b>Primary Measurement</b>	Optical/Near IR imaging and spectroscopy
<b>Observatory Type</b>	Optical/Near IR Wide Field Survey Telescope
<b>Projected Years in Orbit</b>	3 year primary, 5 year goal
<b>Type of Orbit</b>	LEO (ADEPT); L2 (DESTINY/SNAP)
<b>Mission phases</b>	ADEPT: full-sky survey DESTINY: 24 months SN survey, 12 months weak lensing survey SNAP: 22 months SN survey, 12 months weak lensing survey
<b>Science Operations</b>	Continuous survey

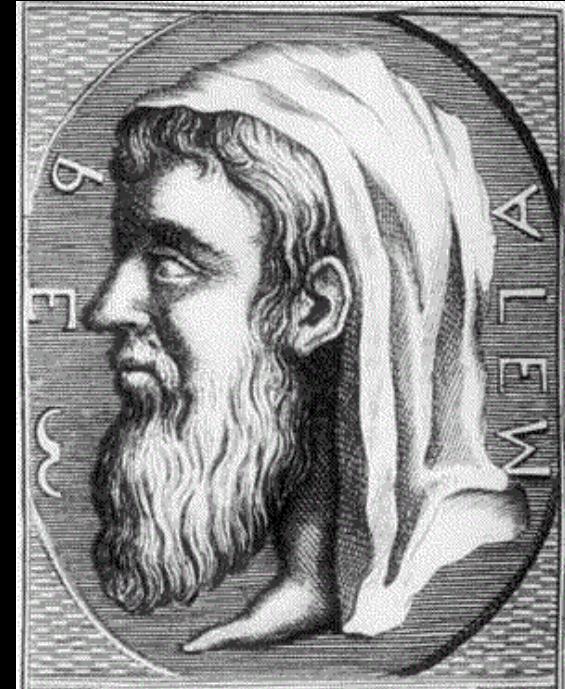
TABLE 2.E.2 JDEM: Mission Instrument Properties

<b>Instrument</b>	<b>Spectral Range (microns)</b>	<b>Spatial Resolution (arcsec)</b>	<b>Spectral Resolution (<math>\lambda/\Delta\lambda</math>)</b>	<b>Collecting Area (diameter in meters)</b>	<b>Field of View (sq.deg.)</b>
SNAP imager	0.35-1.7	0.14	5	1.8	0.7
SNAP Spectrometer	0.35-1.7	0.14	100 (visible) 70 (NIR)	1.8	Not applicable
DESTINY imager	0.85-1.7	0.15	5	1.65	0.12
DESTINY grism	0.85-1.7	0.15	75	1.65	0.12
ADEPT slitless spectrograph	1.3-2.0	Not available	Not available	1.3	Not available

## 2.E.2 Mission Science Goals

# Euclid

ESA's mission to map  
the Dark Universe



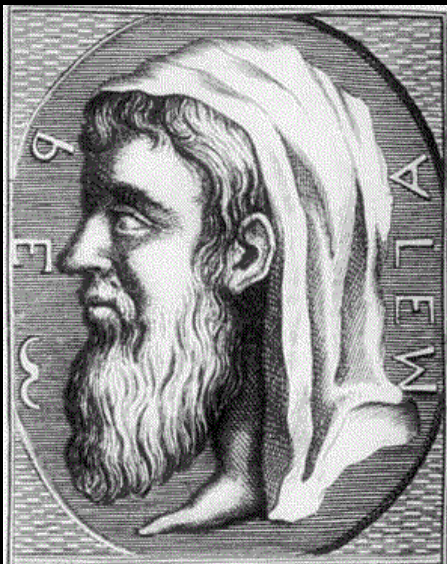
A Decade of Dark Energy

STScI 08 May 2008

John Peacock, on behalf of the Euclid  
Study Science Team

# Euclid

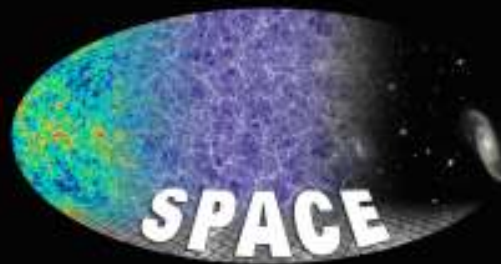
A geometrical probe of the universe proposed for Cosmic Vision



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All-sky optical imaging for gravitational lensing

All-sky near-IR spectra to  $H=22$  for BAO

# Selection of ESA's Dark Energy Mission

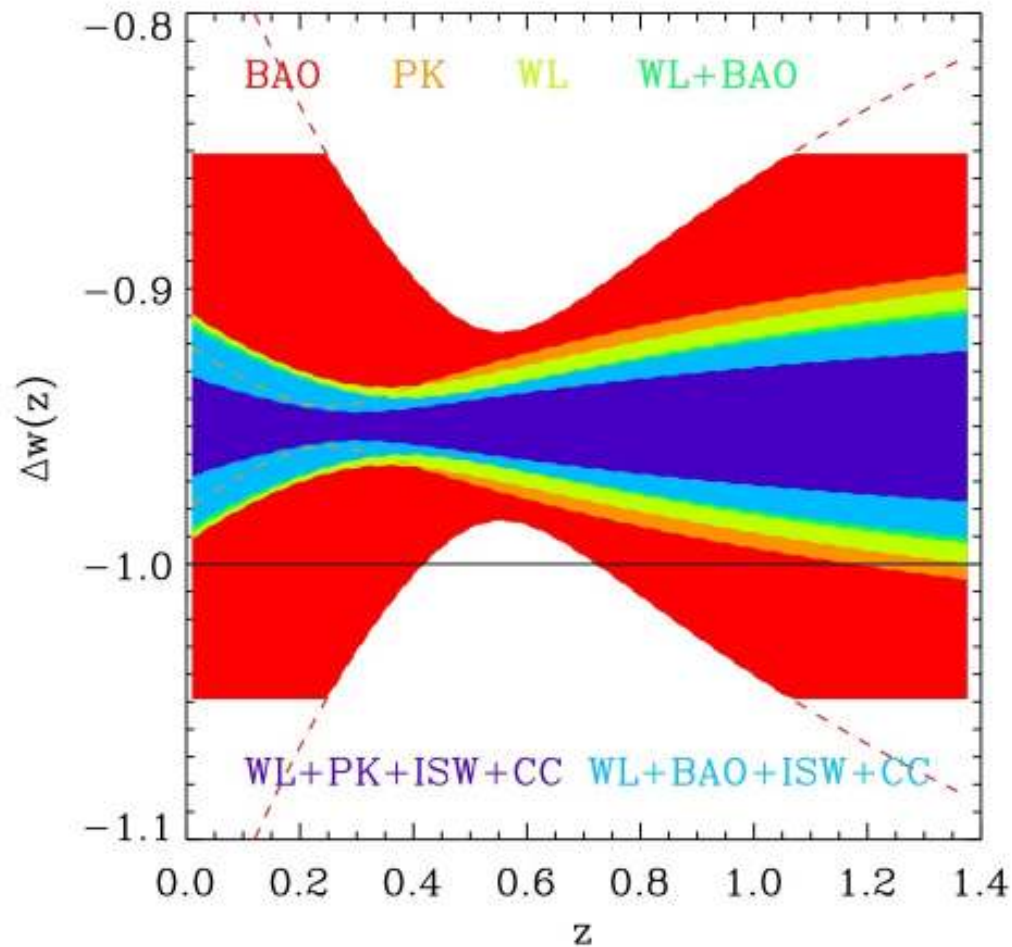
- **Dark energy** is recognized by the ESA Advisory Structure as the most timely and important science topic among the M mission proposals and is therefore recommended as the top priority.
- **Dark energy** has been addressed by two Cosmic Visions M proposals:
  - **DUNE (PI: A. Refregier-CEA Saclay)** – All sky visible and NIR imaging to observe weak gravitational lensing
  - **SPACE (PI: A. Cimatti – Bologna Univ.)** – All sky NIR imaging and spectroscopy to detect baryonic acoustic oscillations
- A Concept Advisory Team considered these and recommended a **single** M-Class Dark Energy Mission
  - The chair of the team – Malcolm Longair – will present the recommendation to the ESA Advisory Structure on May 13, 2008.

# The Euclid Concept

- Named in honour of the pioneer of geometry
- Euclid will survey the entire extra-galactic sky (20 000 deg<sup>2</sup>) to simultaneously measure its two principal dark energy probes:
  - **Weak lensing:**
    - Diffraction limited galaxy shape measurements in one broad visible R/I/Z band.
    - Redshift determination by Photo-z measurements in 3 YJH NIR bands to H(AB)=24 mag, 5 $\sigma$  point source
  - **Baryonic Acoustic Oscillations:**
    - Spectroscopic redshifts for 33% of all galaxies brighter than H(AB)=22 mag,  $\sigma_z < 0.006$
- With constraints:
  - Aperture: max 1.2 m diameter
  - Mission duration: max ~5 years



# Predicted redshift dependence of $w(z)$ errors

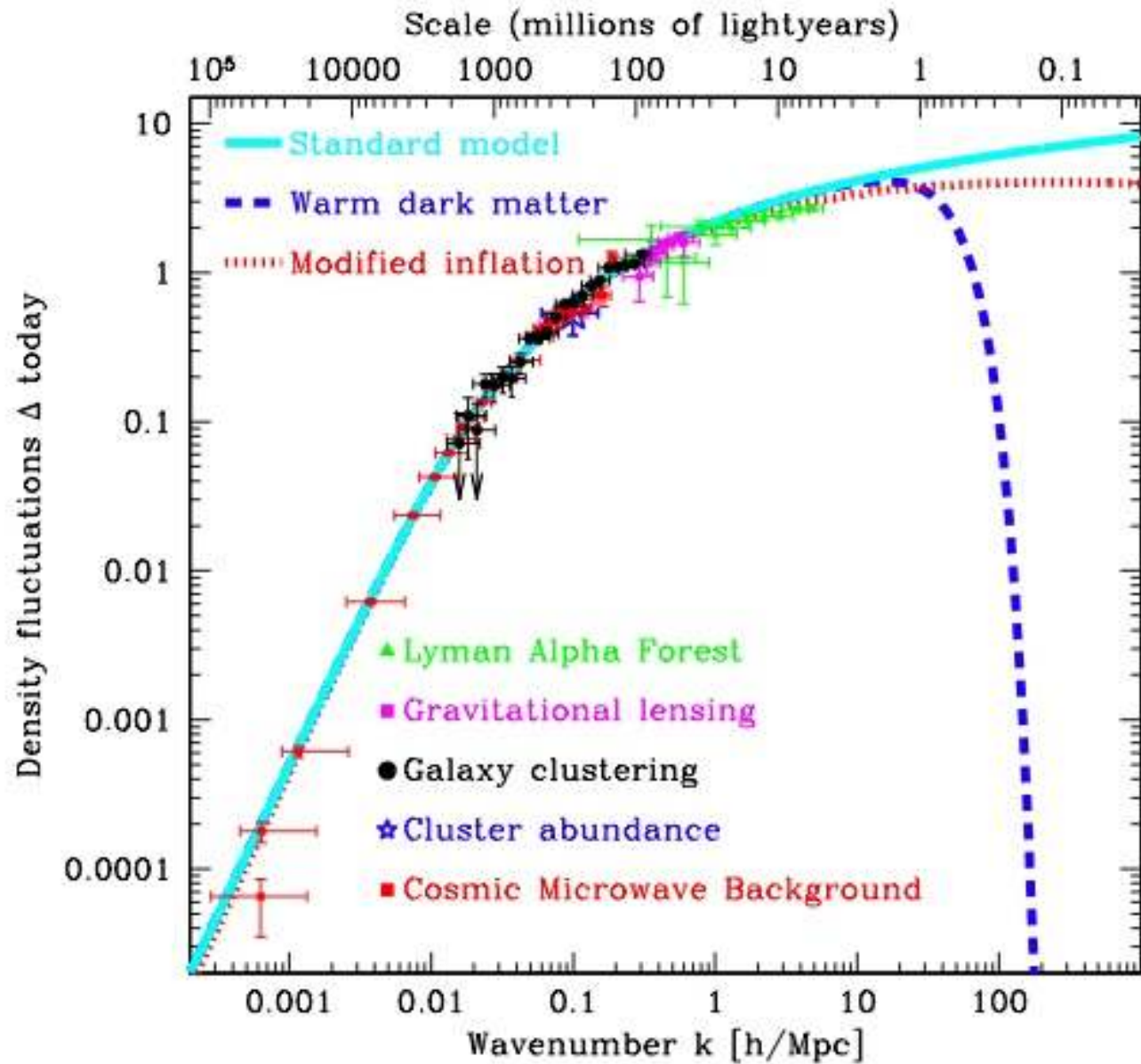


Planck prior is used. The errors are calculated using Fisher matrices using a  $w(a)=w_0+(1-a)w_a$  model, hence the caveat that the errors shown here are correlated (from J. Weller).

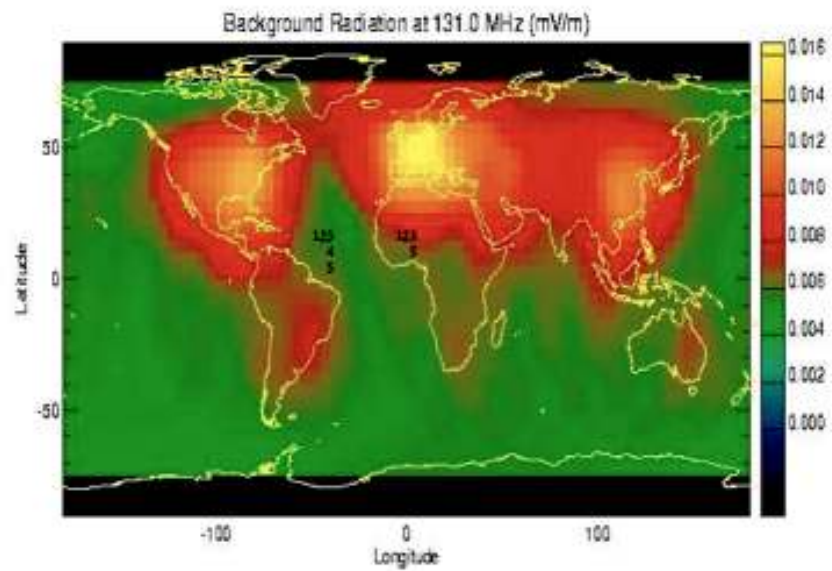
# 21 cm cosmology

- Reference: <http://www.cfa.harvard.edu/events/2008/cos2008/>
- MWA: □ Murchison Widefield Array, Australia, 8000 dipoles, 80-300 MHz, <http://www.haystack.mit.edu/ast/arrays/mwa/index.html>
- LOFAR: Low Frequency Array, <http://www.lofar.org/>, centered in Netherlands
- GMRT: Giant Metre-wave Radio Telescope, <http://www.gmrt.ncra.tifr.res.in/>, India □
- SKA: Square Kilometer Array, [www.skatelescope.org](http://www.skatelescope.org)
- FFTT: Fast Fourier Transform Telescope, <http://arxiv.org/abs/0805.4414>
- Lunar Array for Radio Cosmology (LARC), NASA-funded study at MIT/Kavli, J. Hewitt
- Dark Ages Lunar Interferometer (DALI), NASA-funded study at NRL, J. Lazio

- Tegmark & Zaldarriaga Fig. 6. Push scale far down to Jeans scale at right edge of figure. Distinguish warm dark matter, inflation with more extreme index.



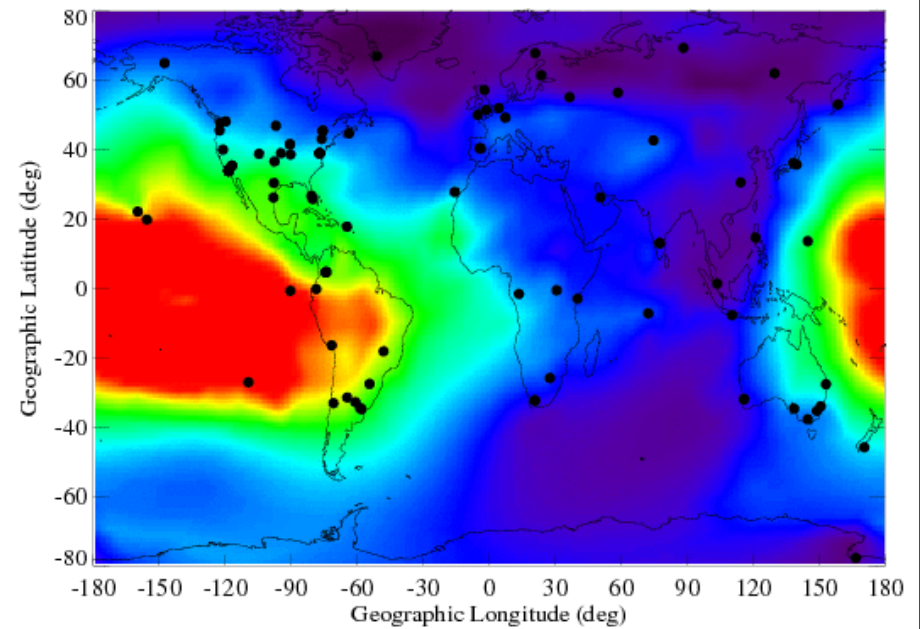
## Radio Frequency Interference



FORTES satellite

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## Ionospheric TEC Map



# Murchison Array



- “The MWA will consist of 8000 dual-polarization dipole antennas optimized for the 80-300 MHz frequency range, arranged as 512 "tiles", each a 4x4 array of dipoles.”



# Radio Wavelength Observatories in the Exploration Architecture

J. Lazio (NRL)

R. MacDowall (NASA/GSFC), J. Burns (CU), L.  
Demaio (NASA/GSFC), D. Jones (JPL), K. Weiler  
(NRL)

S. Bale (UC, Berkeley), N. Gopalswamy  
(NASA/GSFC), M. Kaiser (NASA/GSFC), J. Kasper  
(MIT)

# ROLSS Technical Description

- 30–300 m wavelength (1–10 MHz frequency)
  - Relevant range for particle acceleration
  - Covers upper range for lunar ionosphere
  - Inaccessible from the ground
- 3-arm interferometer
  - First imaging instrument at these wavelengths
- 500-m length arms
  - 2° resolution (@ 30 m) **(but 20 km mobility?)**
  - Order of magnitude improvement in resolution at these wavelengths



# The Fast Fourier Transform Telescope

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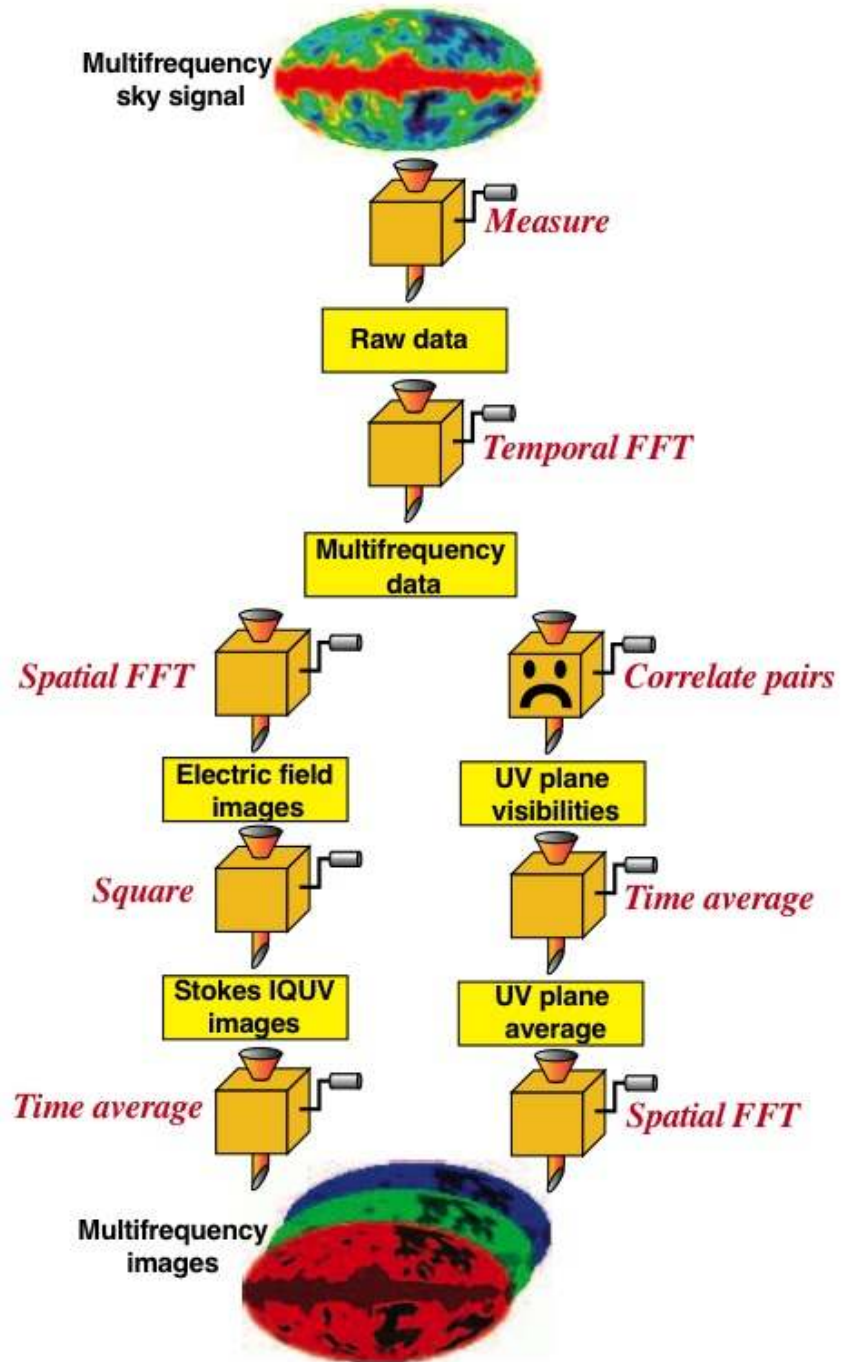
*Center for Astrophysics, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA 02138, USA*

(Dated: May 29, 2008. To be submitted to Phys. Rev. D)

We propose an all-digital telescope for 21 cm tomography, which combines key advantages of both single dishes and interferometers. The electric field is digitized by antennas on a rectangular grid, after which a series of Fast Fourier Transforms recovers simultaneous multifrequency images of up to half the sky. Thanks to Moore's law, the bandwidth up to which this is feasible has now reached about 1 GHz, and will likely continue doubling every couple of years. The main advantages over a single dish telescope are cost and orders of magnitude larger field-of-view, translating into dramatically better sensitivity for large-area surveys. The key advantages over traditional interferometers are cost (the correlator computational cost for an  $N$ -element array scales as  $N \log_2 N$  rather than  $N^2$ ) and a compact synthesized beam. We argue that 21 cm tomography could be an ideal first application of a very large Fast Fourier Transform Telescope, which would provide both massive sensitivity improvements per dollar and mitigate the off-beam point source foreground problem with its clean beam. Another potentially interesting application is cosmic microwave background polarization.



- FFTT concept of Tegmark & Zaldarriaga





# Everything about Luminous Matter

- HST
- JWST
- LSST
- VLT, Keck, ...
- EELT, GSMT, TMT, etc.



# James Webb Space Telescope (JWST)

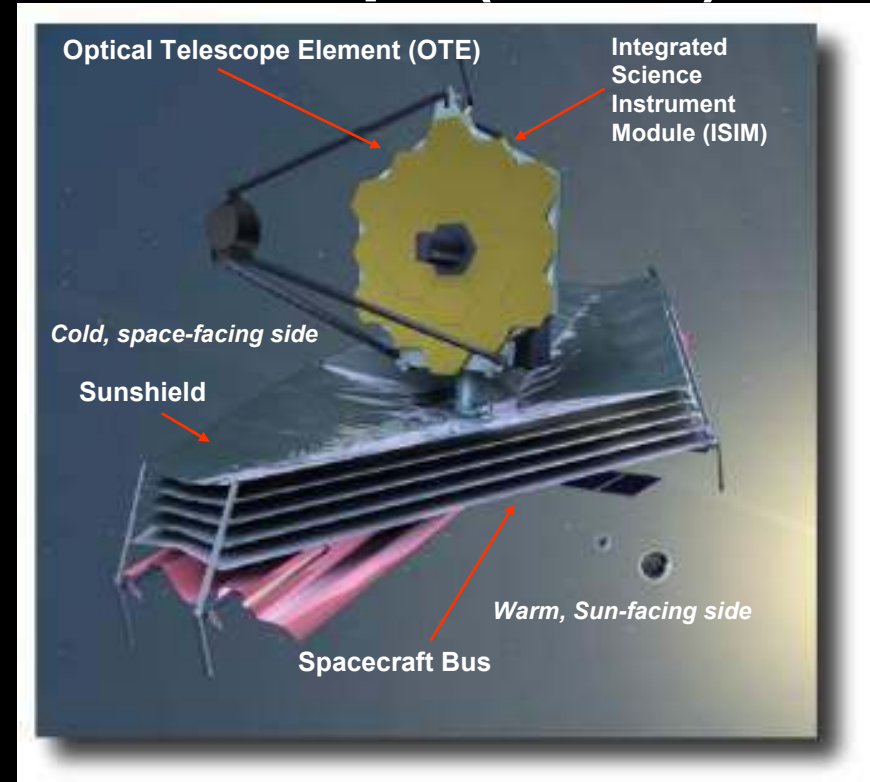
## Organization

- Mission Lead: Goddard Space Flight Center
- International collaboration with ESA & CSA
- Prime Contractor: Northrop Grumman Space Technology
- Instruments:
  - Near Infrared Camera (NIRCam) – Univ. of Arizona
  - Near Infrared Spectrograph (NIRSpec) – ESA
  - Mid-Infrared Instrument (MIRI) – JPL/ESA
  - Fine Guidance Sensor (FGS) – CSA
- Operations: Space Telescope Science Institute

## Description

- Deployable infrared telescope with 6.5 meter diameter segmented adjustable primary mirror
- Cryogenic temperature telescope and instruments for infrared performance
- Launch June 2013 on an ESA-supplied Ariane 5 rocket to Sun-Earth L2
- 5-year science mission (10-year goal)

[www.JWST.nasa.gov](http://www.JWST.nasa.gov)



## JWST Science Themes



End of the dark ages: First light and reionization



The assembly of galaxies



Birth of stars and proto-planetary systems



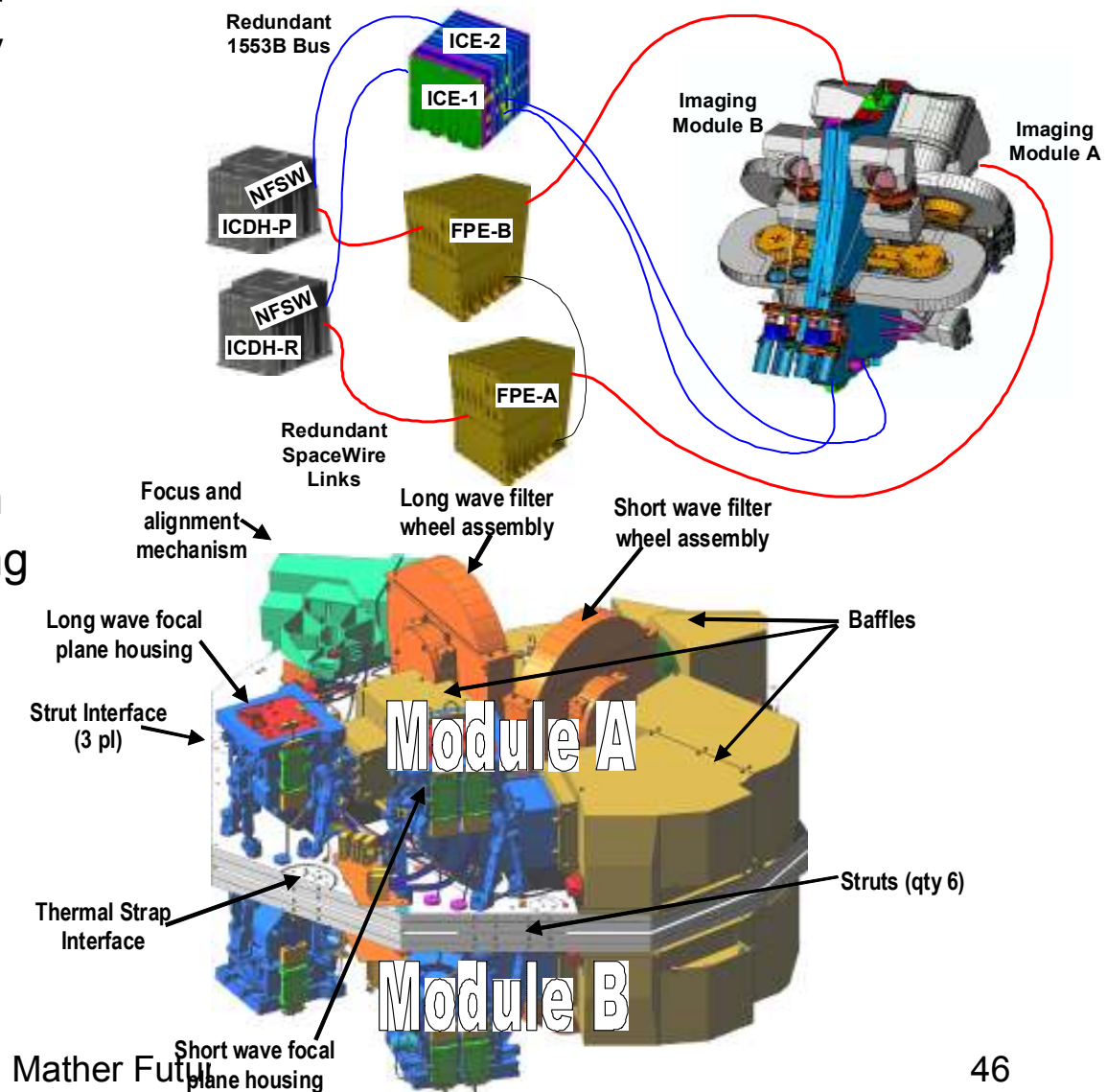
Planetary systems and the origin of life



Full scale model at GSFC

# Near Infrared Camera (NIRCam) Overview

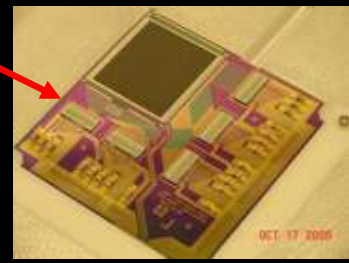
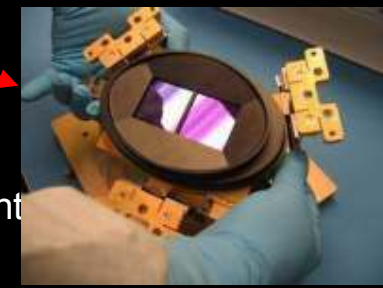
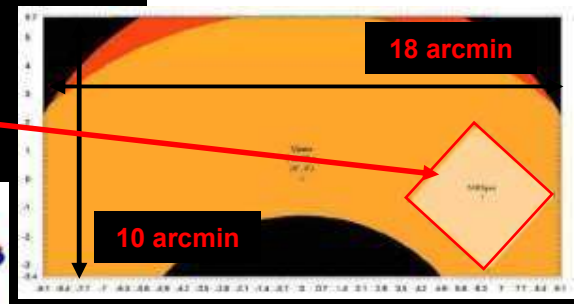
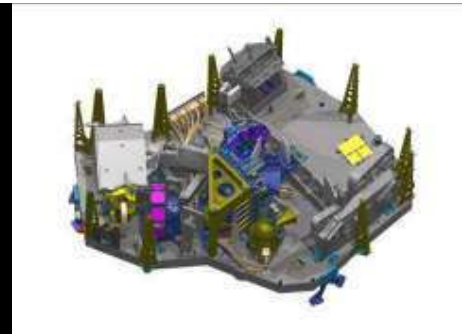
- NIRCam Provides:
  - Science imagery between 0.6 and 5 microns
  - Wavefront Sensing
- NIRCam Team:
  - University of Arizona
  - Lockheed Martin
  - Teledyne Imaging Systems
- Passed CDR May 2006



# Near Infrared Spectrograph (NIRSpec) Overview

Near-Infrared, multi-object, dispersive spectrograph

- Wavelength Range: **0.6  $\mu\text{m}$  and 5.0  $\mu\text{m}$**
- Field of View
  - (with fixed slits):  $\sim 0.2 \times 3.5$  arcsec;  $0.1 \times 2.0$  arcsec;  $0.4 \times 4.0$  arcsec
  - (with Micro-Shutter Assembly):  $\sim 3 \times 3$  arcmin
  - (with Integral Field Unit):  $\sim 3 \times 3$  arcsec
- 3 Spectral Resolutions:
  - R=100 (0.6  $\mu\text{m}$  and 5.0  $\mu\text{m}$ )  $\rightarrow$  Redshift & Exploratory Spectra
  - R=1000 (1.0  $\mu\text{m}$  and 5.0  $\mu\text{m}$ )  $\rightarrow$  Emission Line Diagnostic
  - R=2700 (1.0  $\mu\text{m}$  and 5.0  $\mu\text{m}$ )  $\rightarrow$  Kinematics and Masses
- All reflective optics: **14 mirrors; 12 in SiC (9 aspherical in 3 TMA Assemblies)**
- First time in space more than 100 simultaneous spectra with a slits-based Micro-Shutter Assembly:
  - Mosaic of 4 arrays, each made up by  $365 \times 171$  slits  $\rightarrow \sim 250000$  slits in total
  - Each  $80 \mu\text{m} \times 180 \mu\text{m}$  slit ( $200 \times 460$  mas) independently programmable
  - JWST “New Technology” – Passed TRL6 Review
- Detector:
  - $2 \times [2048 \times 2048$  pixels]; HgCdTe;  $18 \mu\text{m}$  size
  - JWST “New Technology” – Passed TRL6 Review
  - Detector Q.E.  $> 80\%$ ,  $1 < \lambda < 5$  micron
  - Total Detector Noise  $< 6$  electrons



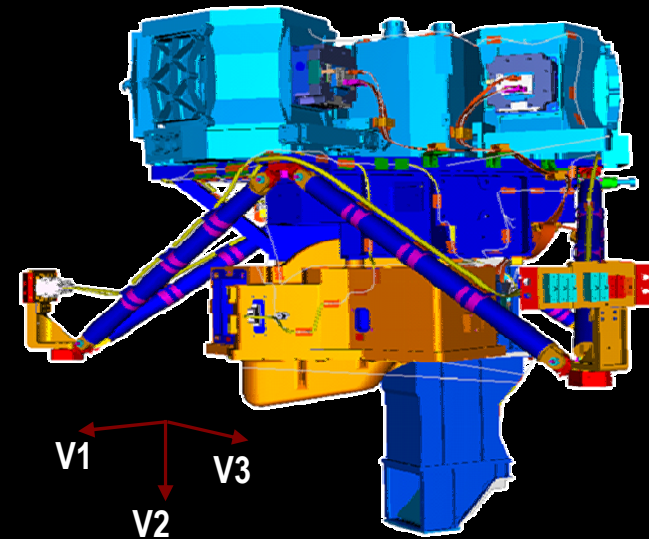
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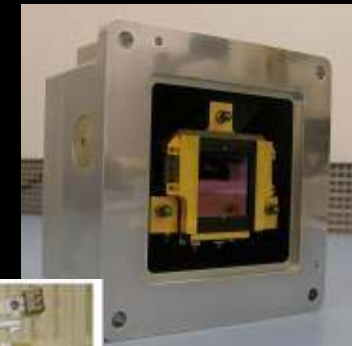
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# Mid-Infrared Instrument (MIRI) Overview

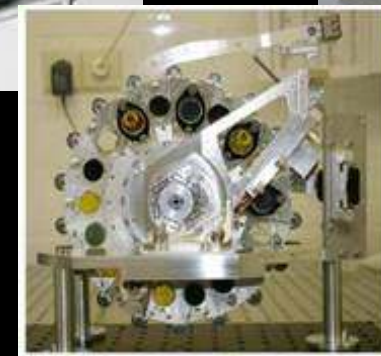
- MIRI capabilities:
  - Imaging from 5 – 28 microns
  - Low resolution slit Spectroscopy
  - Coronagraphy
  - Medium resolution integral field unit spectroscopy from 5 – 28 microns
- MIRI Partnership:
  - European Consortium (EC) with 26 contributing Institutes in ten countries
  - Jet Propulsion Laboratory
  - European Space Agency
  - Goddard Space Flight Center
- Passed its Critical Design Review in Feb. 2007
- Development since MIRI Optical System CDR
  - Verification Model Cryo Testing –VM1 successfully completed



Contamination Control Cover



Engineering Model FPM

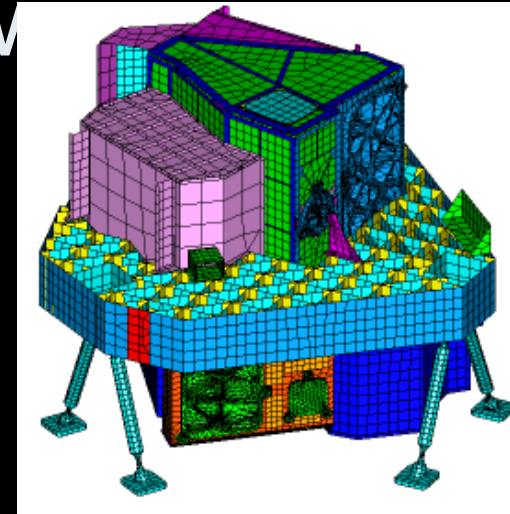


Filter Wheel Assembly



# Fine Guidance Sensor (FGS) Overview

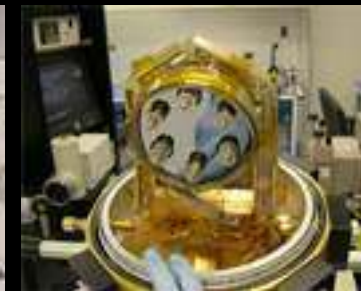
- FGS Provides:
  - Fine guidance to the overall JWST Observatory (Guider)
  - Science imagery between 1.6 and 4.9 microns (Tunable Filter Imager)
- FGS Team:
  - Canadian Space Agency
  - COM DEV Canada
  - Herzberg Institute of Astrophysics
  - Université de Montreal
  - FGS Science Team
- Critical Design Reviews:
  - Guider CDR Mar 07 (No outstanding RIDs)
  - System/TFI CDR Mar 08



Fine Guidance Sensor (FGS)



Focus Mechanism DM



Prototype Etalon



Guider TMA



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# Cosmology with JWST

- Everything about galaxies, first objects
- Supernovae to  $z = 10-20$ ; are they like recent ones? IR photometry has less dispersion; could be tool of choice when fully calibrated.
- Black hole formation, migration, effects on galaxies
- Weak lensing to higher redshift (but not a wide field of view)
- Clustering growth at high redshift
- Using “nature’s telescope” of cluster lensing to see farther



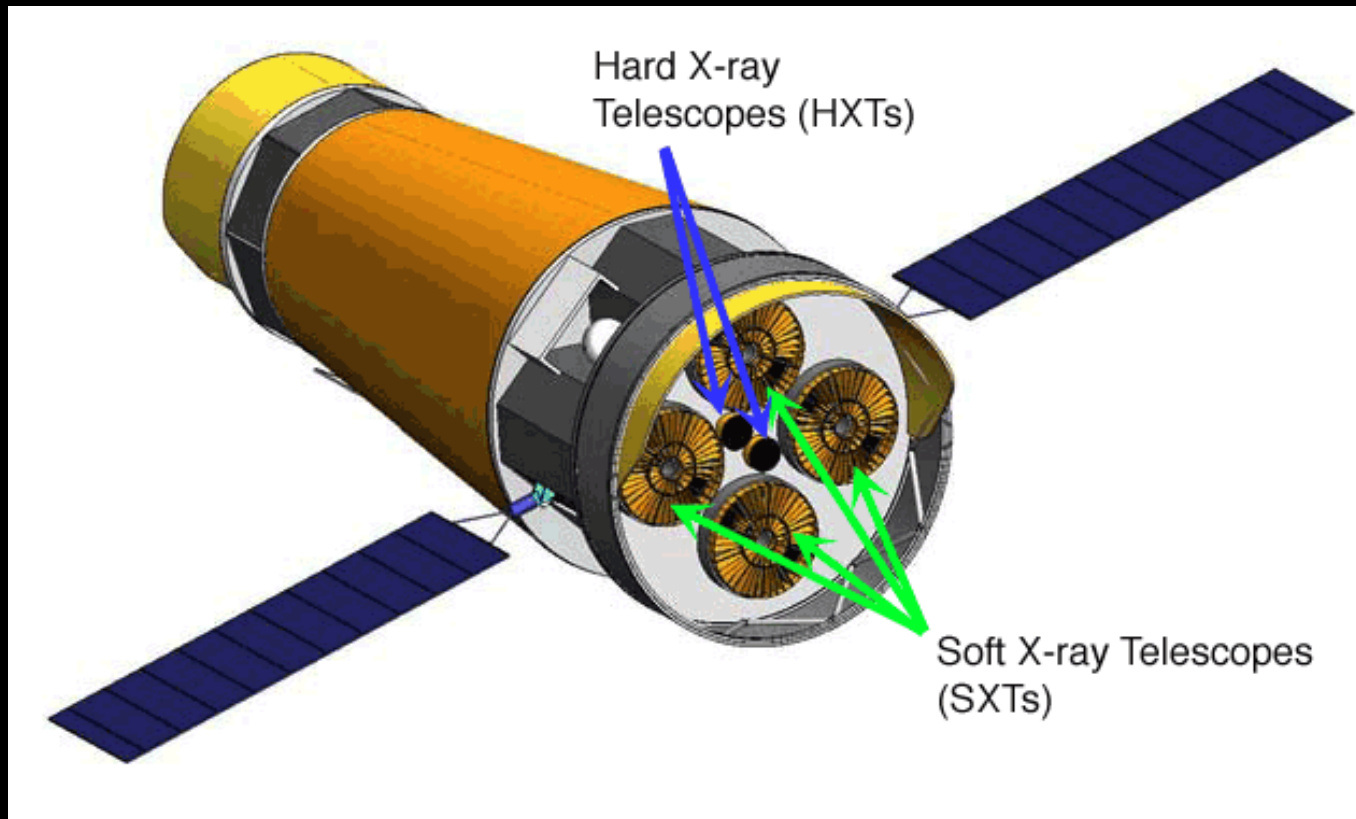
# End of the dark ages: first light?

S. Beckwith and  
HUDF team , 2004

# ATLAST = Advanced Technology Large Space Telescope

- Study started at STScI/JHU in preparation for Decadal Survey
- UV/optical successor for HST
  - Supernovae
  - Lensing
  - Clustering
- Reveal cosmic web: intergalactic medium
  - Lyman  $\alpha$  absorption against distant objects
  - Hope: direct imaging of IGM

# Constellation X (cf. XEUS)



Spectroscopy X-ray Telescope (SXT)

Hard X-ray Telescope (HXT)

SXT consists of a single mirror assembly (SXT FMA) shared by two instruments

Reflection Grating Spectrometer (RGS)

X-ray Microcalorimeter Spectrometer (XMS)

HXT consists of 3 mirror assemblies, each with a detector at its focus

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# Formation Flying Fresnel Telescope

X-ray/Gamma-ray Imaging with milli-arcsecond to micro-arcsecond Angular Resolution

- Diffractive Fresnel optics can achieve milli-arcsecond  $\rightarrow$  micro-arcsecond angular resolution in the x-ray/gamma-ray band (5 - 1000 keV)

- **Diffraction limited performance:**

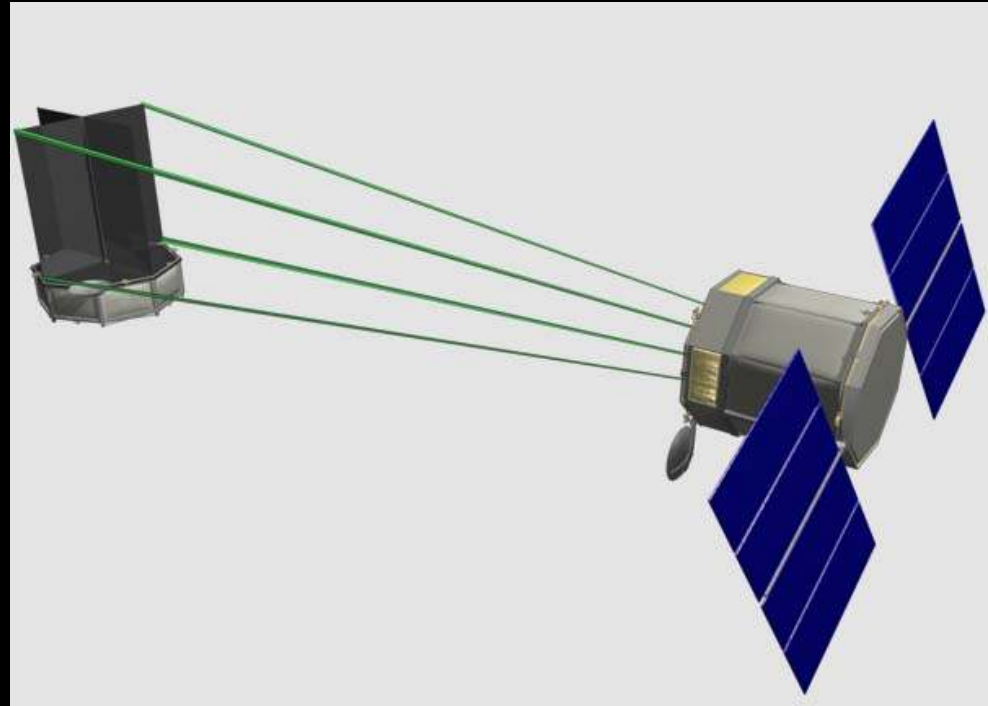
$$\theta_d = 1.22 \lambda/d$$

- **Entire lens area effective**  $\rightarrow$  improvement in source sensitivity

- Long focal lengths require formation flying of lens-craft and detector-craft:

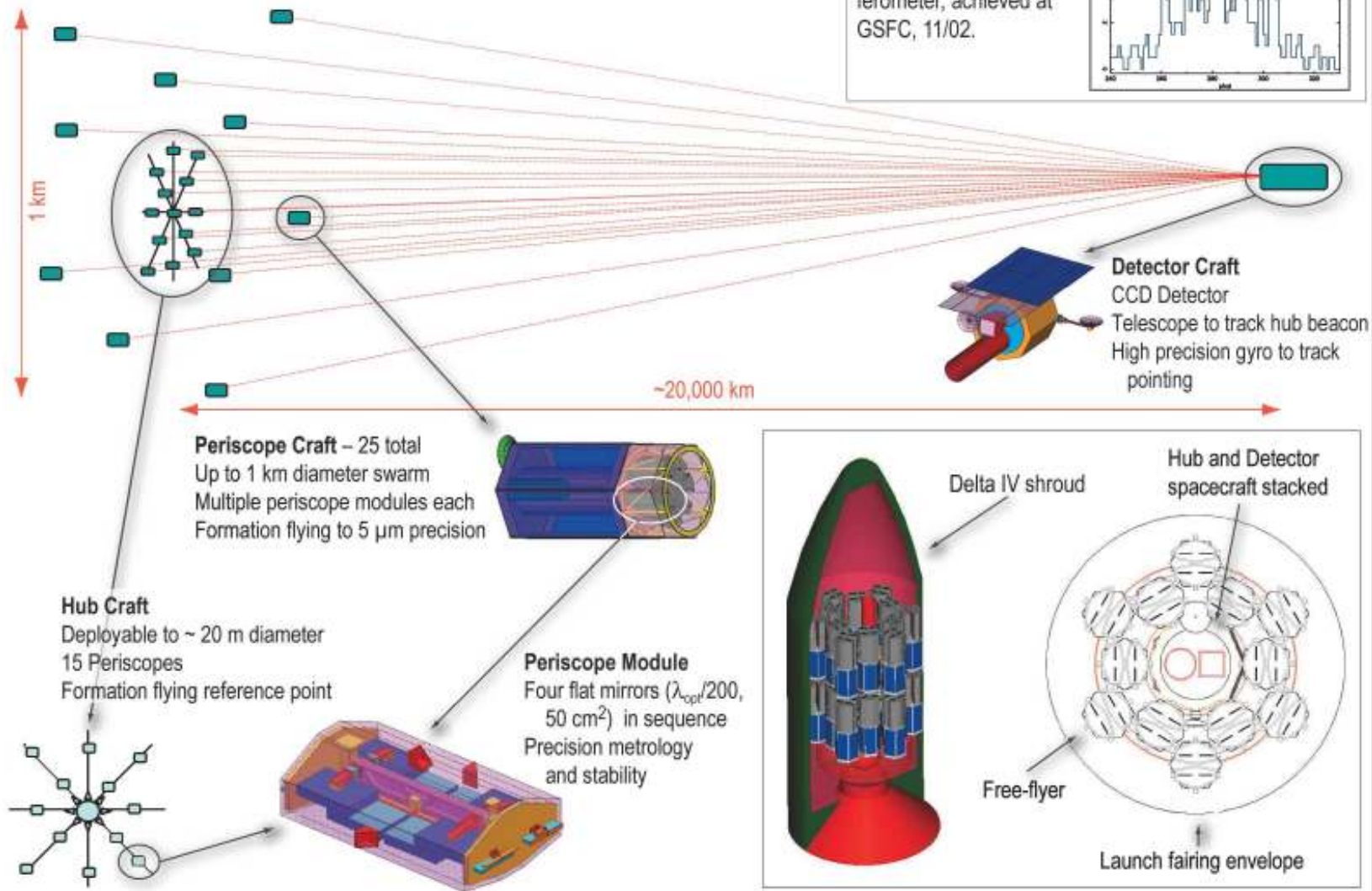
$\Rightarrow$  **milli-arcsecond mission**  $\rightarrow$  1 - 100 km spacecraft separation

$\Rightarrow$  **micro-arcsecond mission**  $\rightarrow$   $10^4$  -  $10^6$  km spacecraft separation

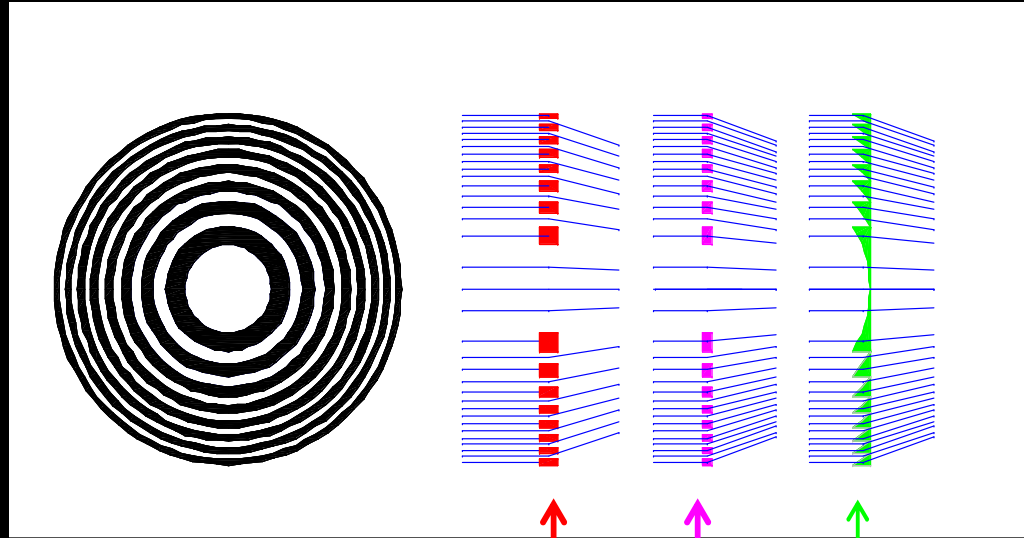


# Black Hole Imager (X-ray)

## F Baseline Mission Concept: Grazing Incidence Optics



# Overview: Phase Fresnel Lenses (PFLs)



(a) Fresnel Zone Plate (FZP)  $1/\pi^2 \approx 10\%$

(b) Phase-reversal Zone Plate (PZP)  $4/\pi^2 \approx 41\%$

(c) Phase Fresnel Lens (PFL)  $\approx 100\%$

Maximum Efficiency

## PFL - Potential

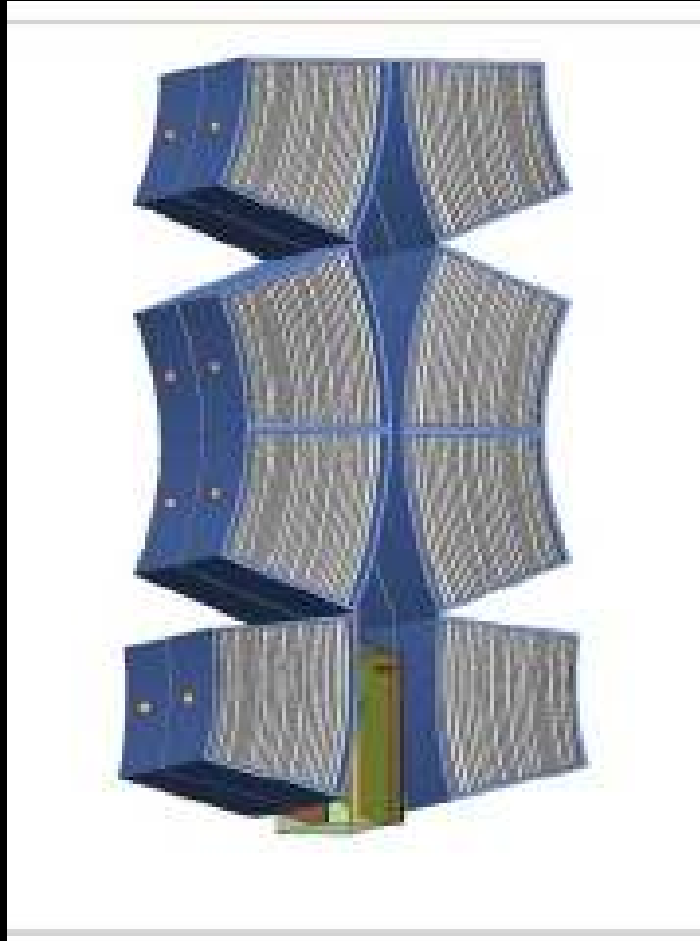
- Diffractive Optics
  - Diffraction-limited optics in hard x-ray, gamma-ray range
- Entire area of lens effective
- Maximum efficiency  $\approx 100\%$
- May be scaled to large areas
  - Coded arrays or “tiling”
- Break into the resolution-desert below an arc-second ( $m'' \rightarrow \mu''$ )

## PFL - However

- Limited energy bandwidth
- Long focal lengths
  - 150 m for test PFL in x-ray band
  - ==> Formation flying for practical instrument

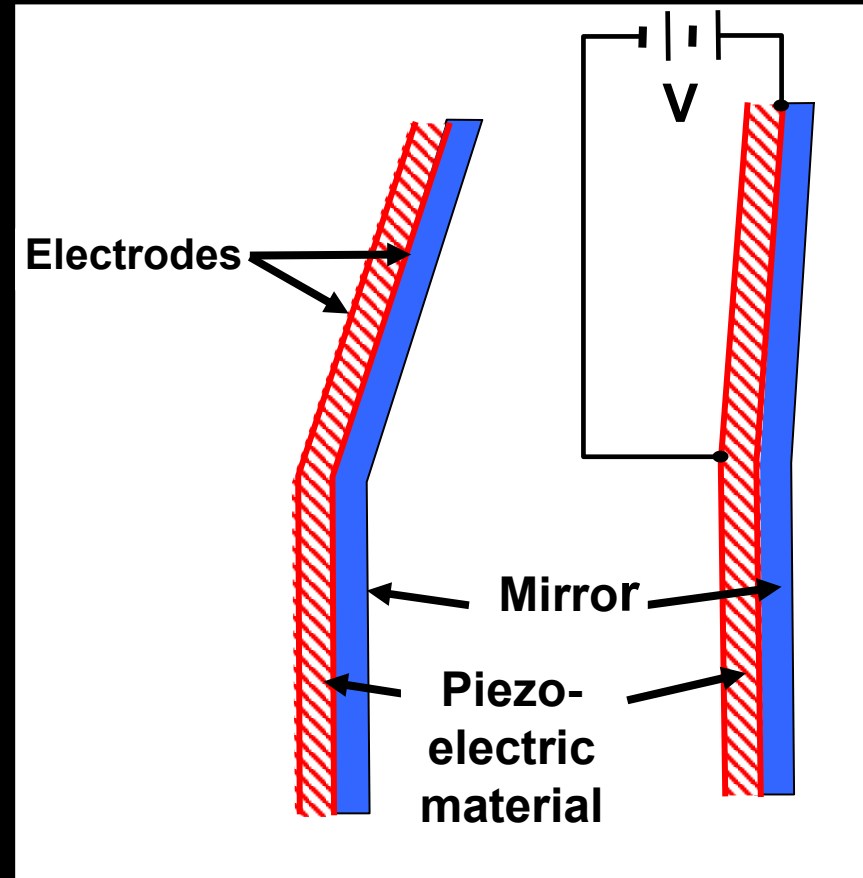


# Technologies for X-ray mirrors



20 m Diameter, Folded Mirror

## Innovative Technology: Adjustable bi-morph mirror

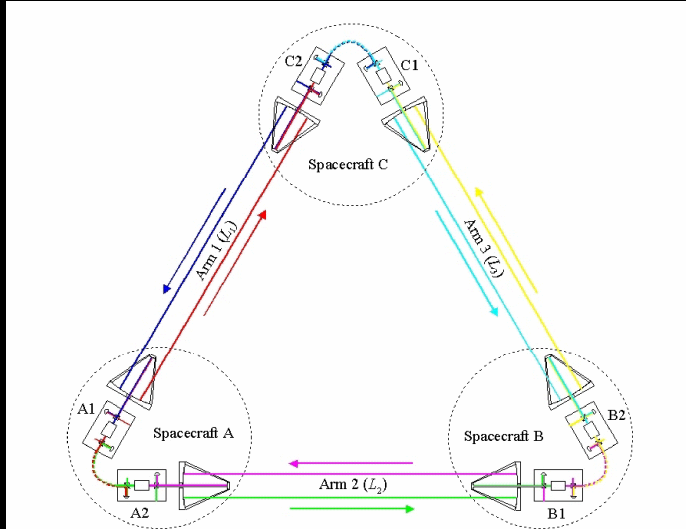


Under applied voltage  $V$ , the piezo material imparts a force to the mirror, bending it

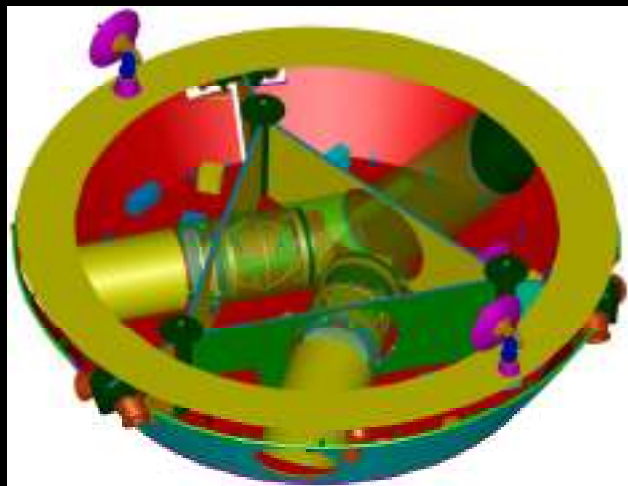
# GR tests

- Lunar laser ranging: more reflectors, active reflectors, mm precision
- Lab tests at even higher precision: short range forces
- Astrophysical tests of MOND
- Binary pulsars
- GP-B analysis (imminent)
- X-ray observations of line profiles in accretion disks
- Advanced LIGO: first direct gravitational wave detection?
- LISA, including gravitational wave distance measures
- Etc.

# LISA Overview



- The Laser Interferometer Space Antenna (LISA) is a joint ESA-NASA mission to design, build and operate the first space-based gravitational wave detector.
- The 5 million kilometer long detector will consist of three spacecraft orbiting the Sun in a triangular formation.
- Space-time fluctuations induced by gravitational waves are detected by using a laser-based Michelson interferometer to monitor the *changes* in separation between test masses in the separate spacecraft to very high accuracy (1/100th the size of an atom)



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# Particle Properties

- LHC results, imminent!
- Bigger colliders, future unknown
- Subtle deviations, special experiments based on predictions of theories
- Proton decay?
- Neutrino masses?
- Higgs boson?

# The End and The Beginning

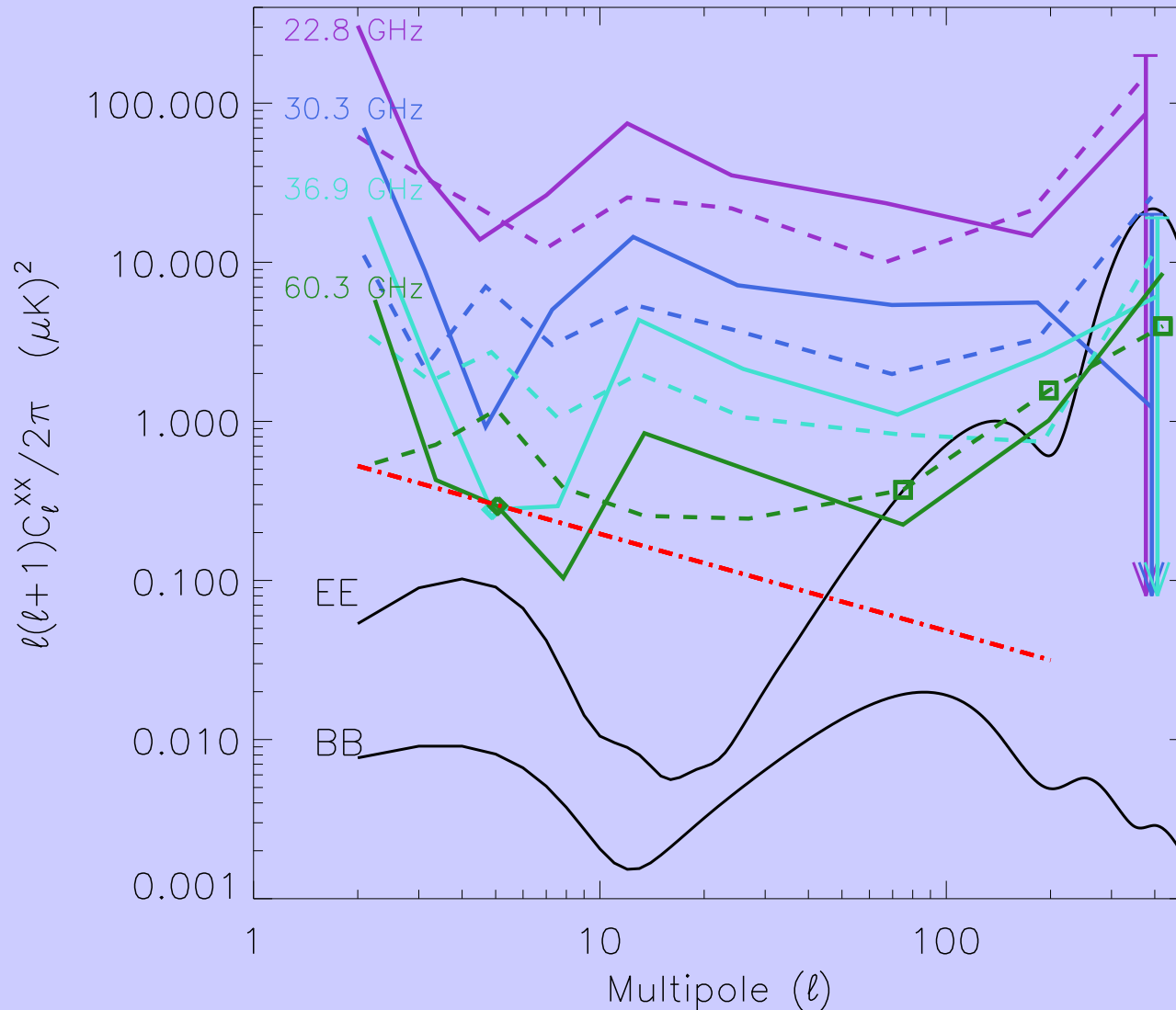
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# WMAP Foreground Spectra

Page et al., 2006



Solid colors -  
EE foreground

Dashed colors -  
BB foreground

Dot-dashed red -  
foreground estimate  
@ 60 GHz

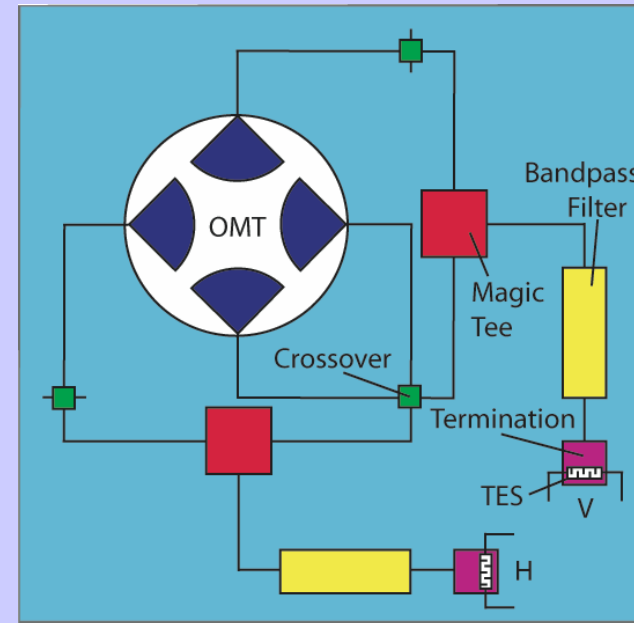
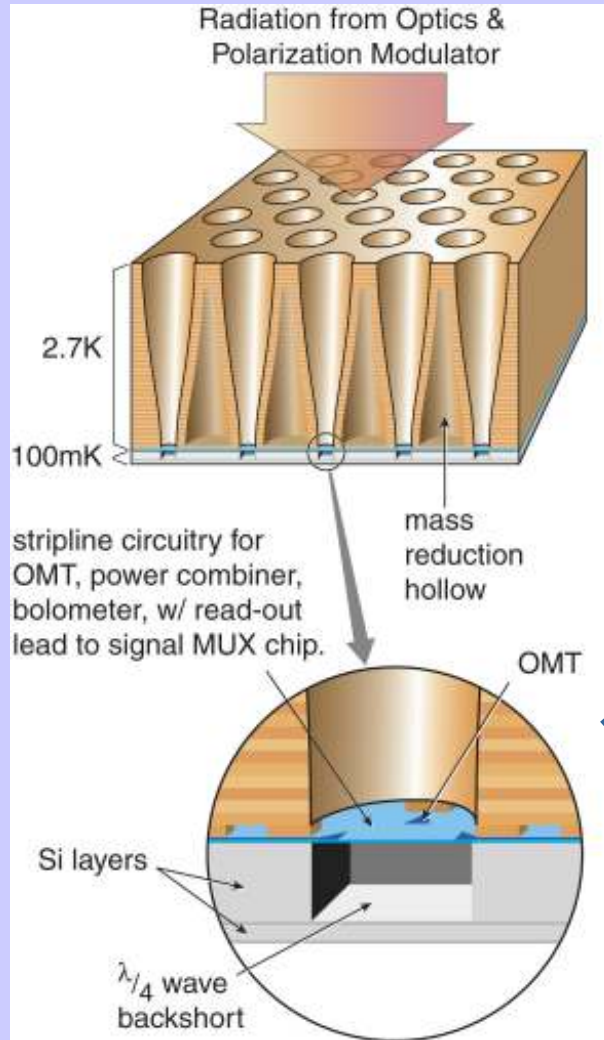
Solid black -  
model CMB

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NRC PERAC 11/7/06

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# Candidate Instrument Concept - Detection



A schematic diagram of the superconducting circuit for extracting the H and V polarizations from the beam.