

The ACTPol and Advanced ACTPol Experiments

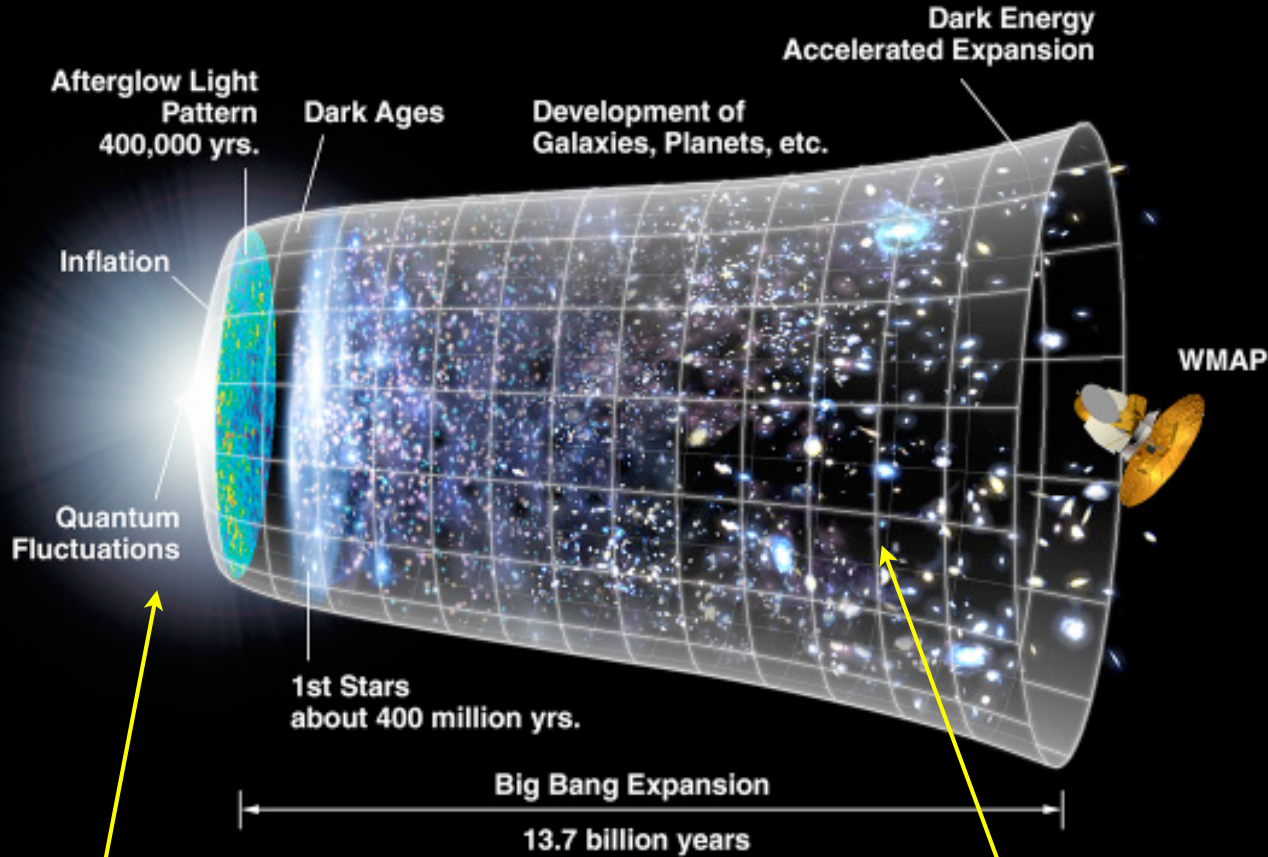
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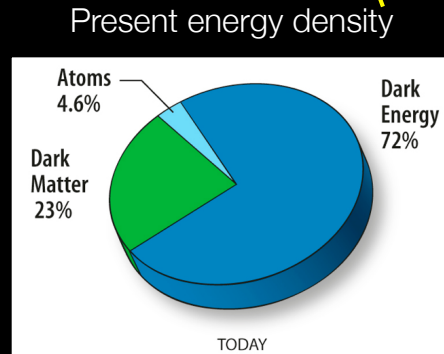
ACT



Λ CDM: the Standard Cosmological Model



Physics at an energy scale of $\sim 10^{16}$ GeV



- **6 parameters:**

- content: $\Omega_b, \Omega_c, \Omega_\Lambda$
- Hubble: H
- reionization: τ
- inflation: A_s, n_s

- **reproduces all observations**

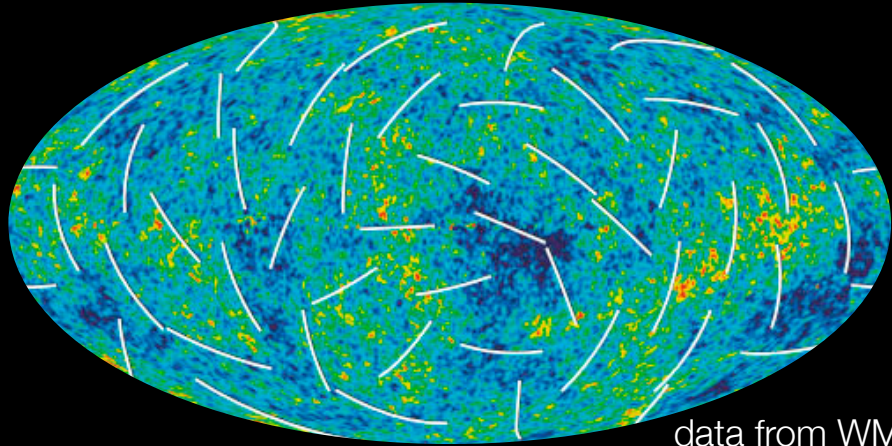
- BBN
- CMB
- SN1a
- BAO

- **among the most pressing questions for physics this century**

- inflation
- dark energy
- dark matter
- neutrinos
- light relativistic species

Cosmological Measurements with the CMB

CMB anisotropy

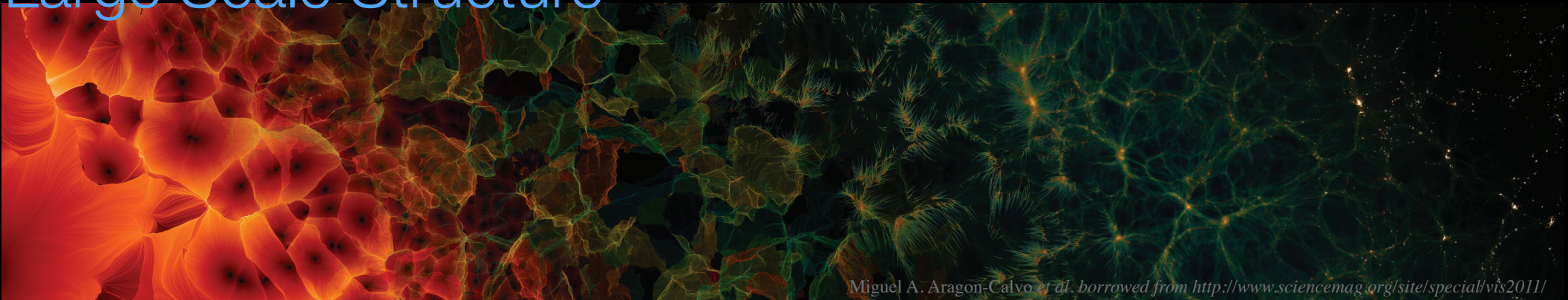


data from WMAP

Snapshot of our universe
at 380,000 years

carries the imprint of inflationary
parameters, the number of
neutrino species, and more

Large Scale Structure



Miguel A. Aragon-Calvo *et al.* borrowed from <http://www.sciencemag.org/site/special/vis2011/>

Probes our universe from age ~ 1 to ~ 13.8 Billion Years

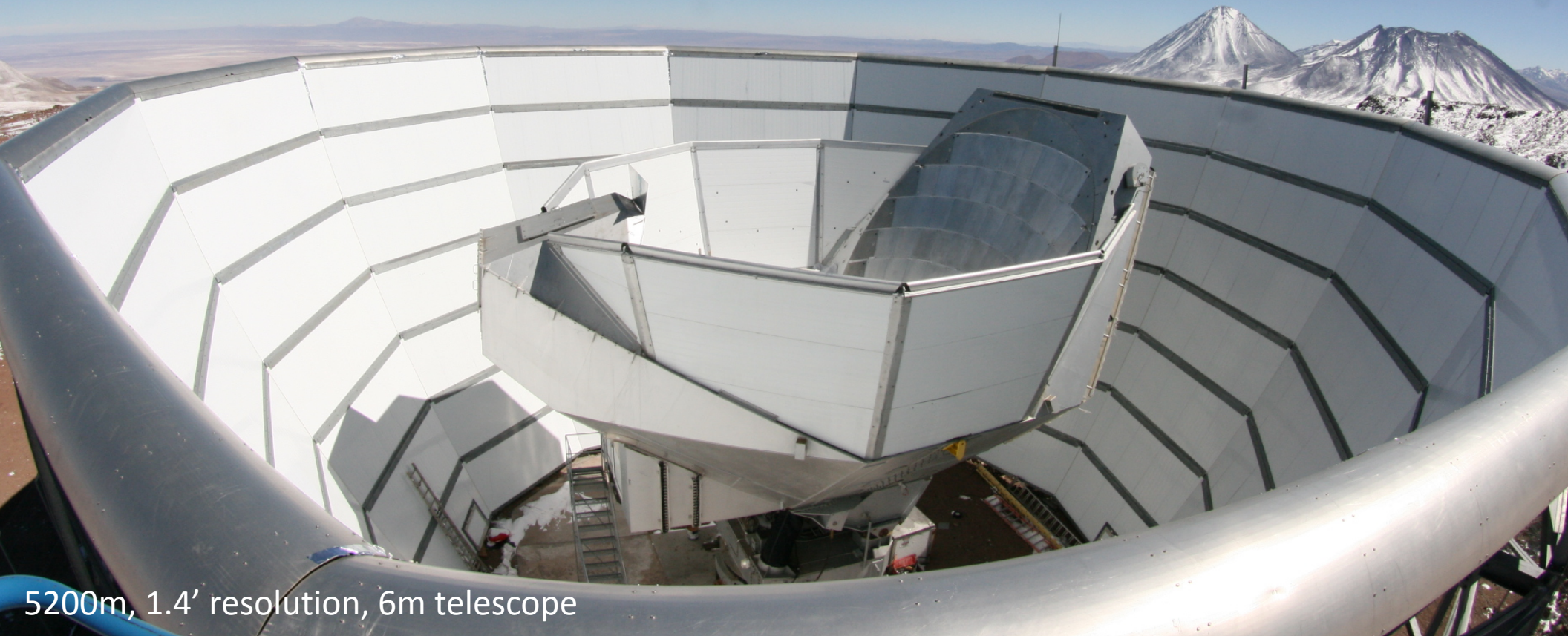
sensitive to dark energy and dark matter (neutrinos), and other
parameters.

Atacama Cosmology Telescope

Stage 1 'MBAC': 2007-10

Stage 2 'ACTPol': 2013-15

Stage 3 'AdvACT': 2016-19

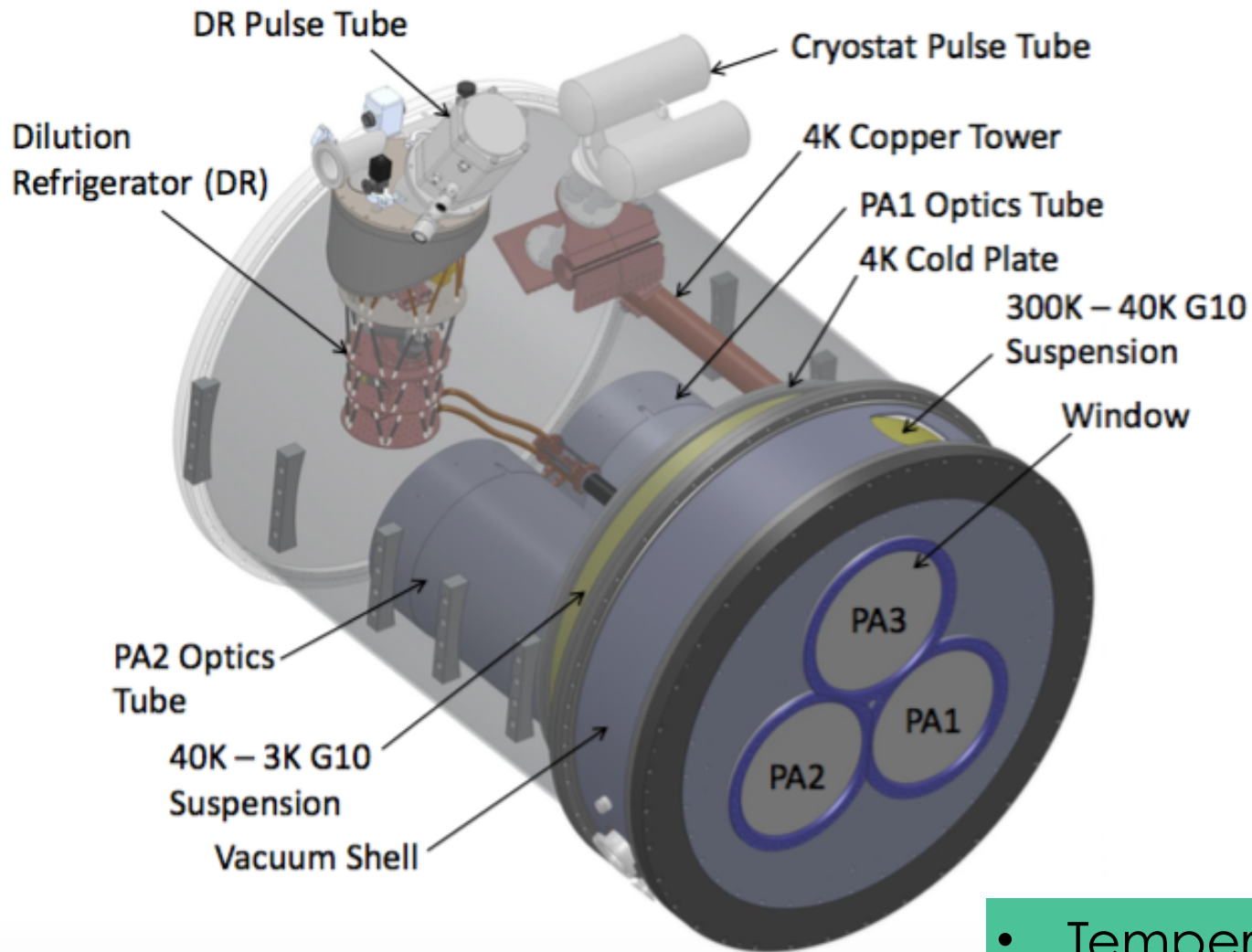


5200m, 1.4' resolution, 6m telescope

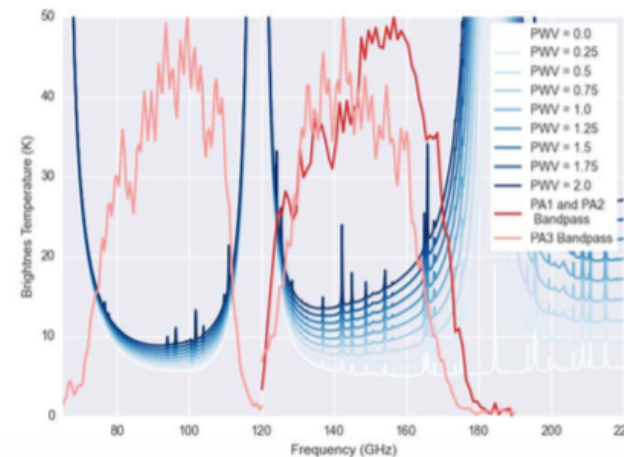


THE ACTPOL CAMERA

2013-2015



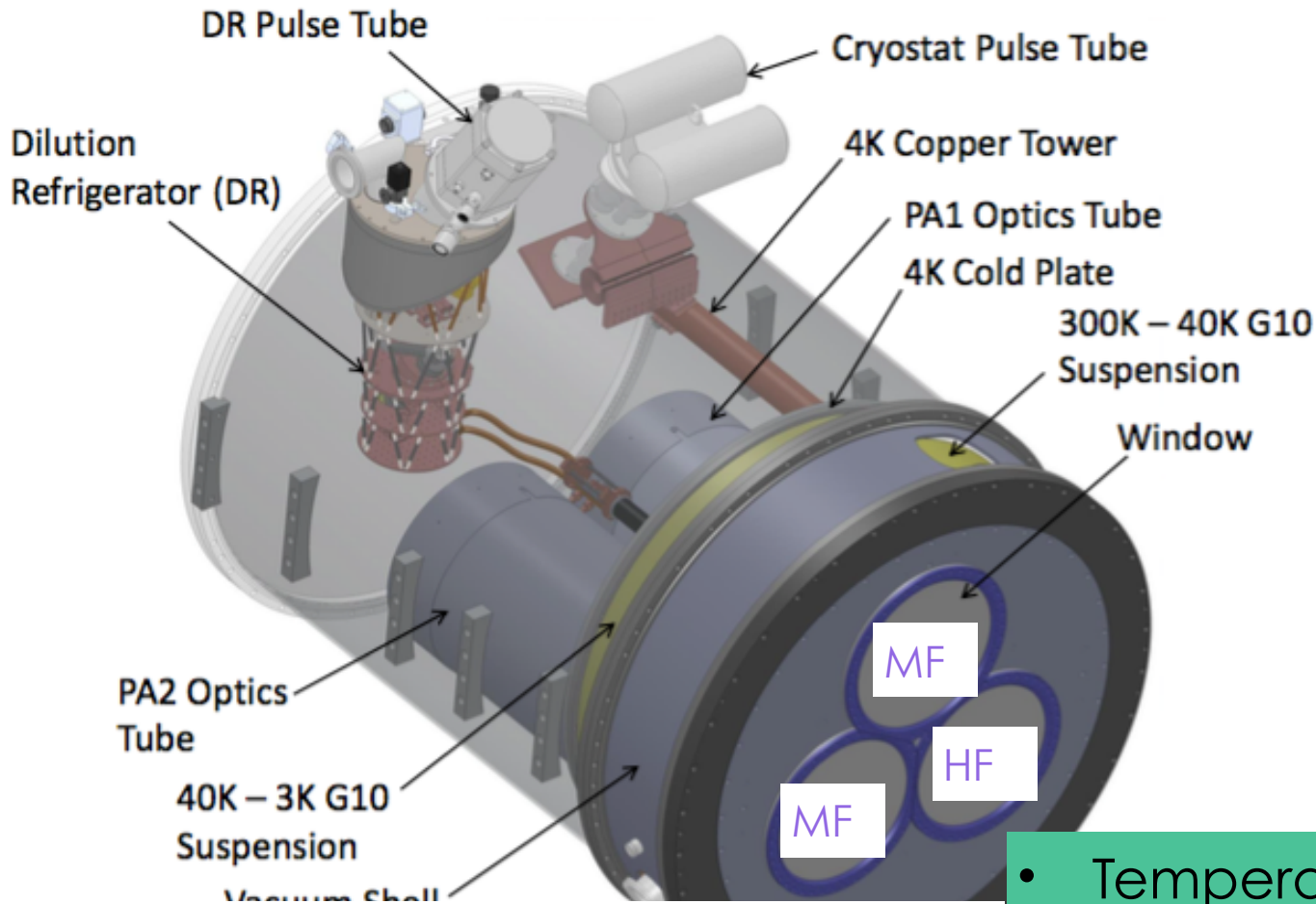
Two 150 GHz camera
PA1/PA2
highlight: PA3
first multichroic array



- Temperature & polarization
- Two bands: 90 & 150 GHz
- 90 mK dilution fridge
- Round the clock observing

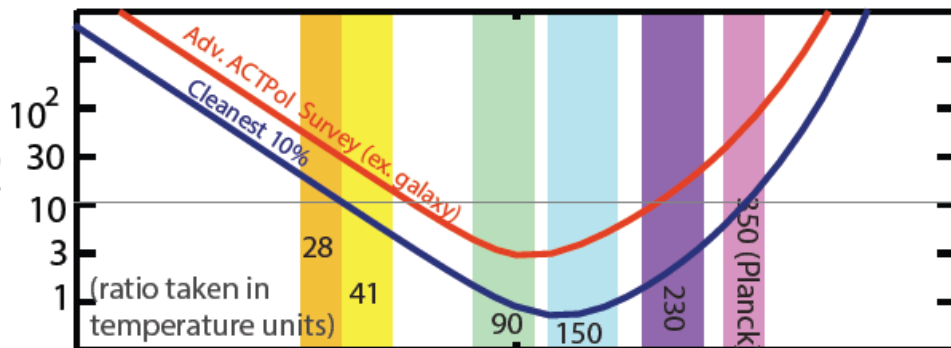
THE ADVACT CAMERA

2016 -



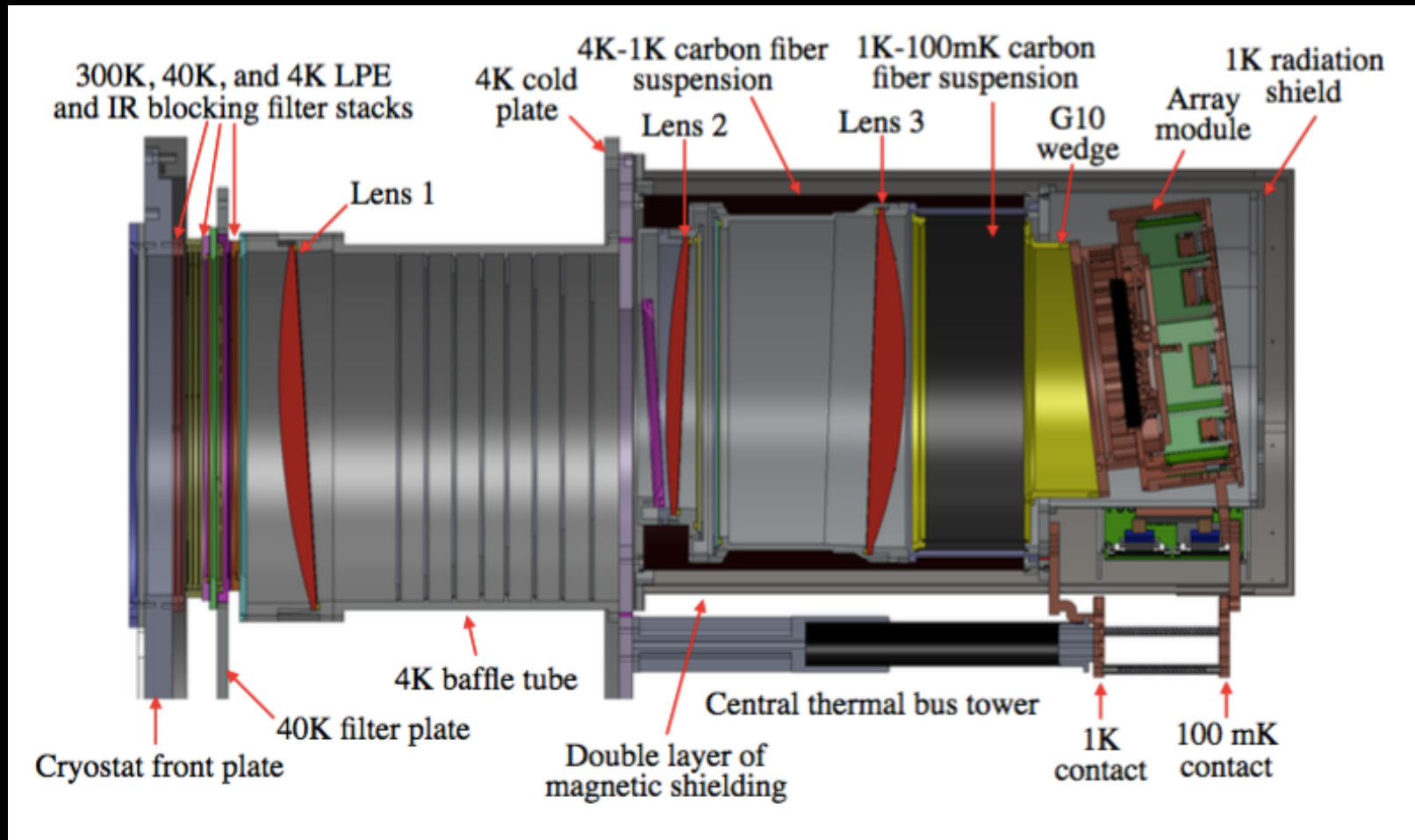
SAME
 CRYOSTAT!
 new bands
 new arrays
 new optics

foregrounds / CMB
 $r = 0.01, @ l = 70$



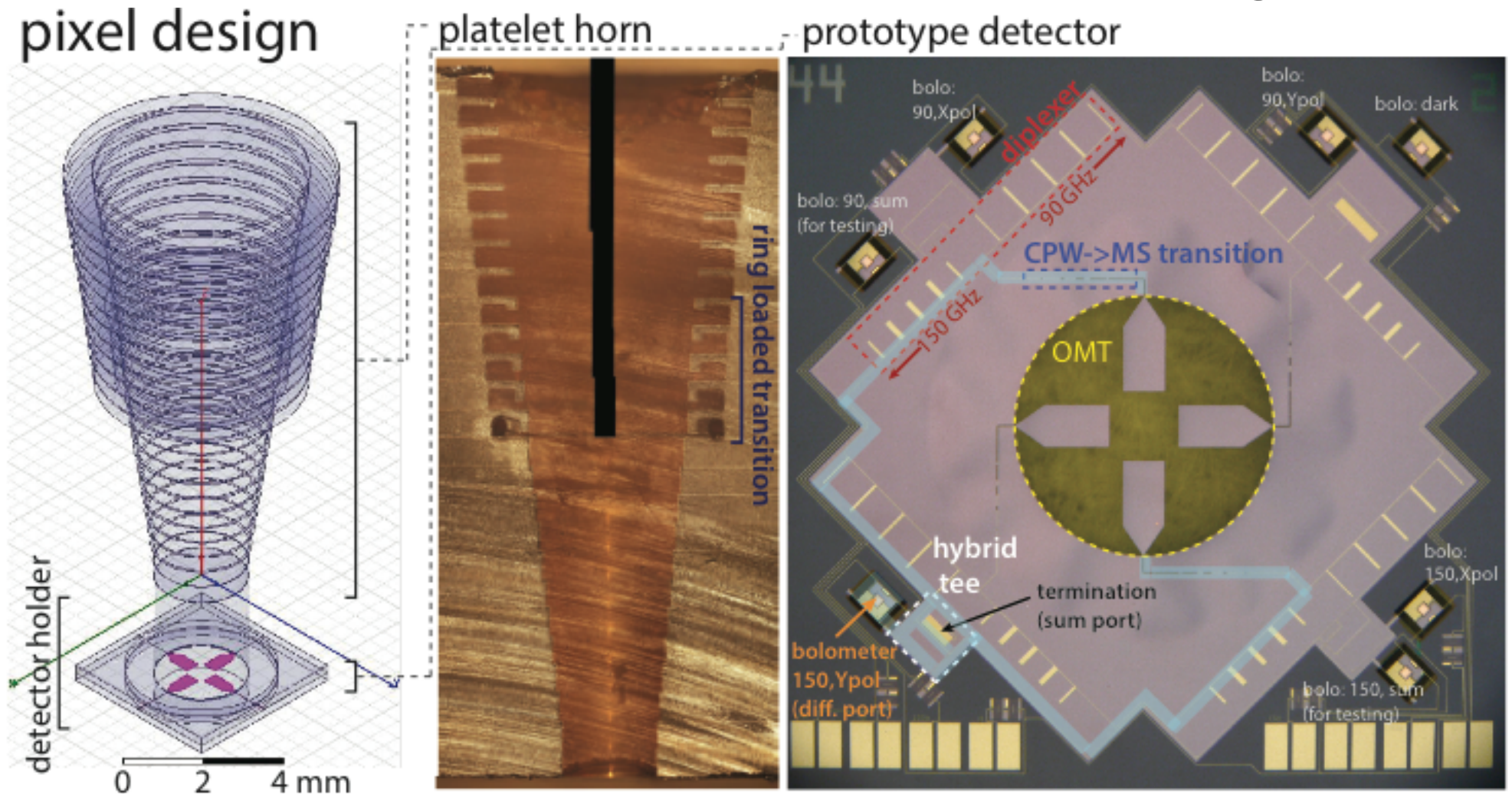
- Temperature & polarization
- **Five** bands: 28, 40, 90, 150 & 220 GHz
- MF arrays are second generation multichroics with higher pixel count (256 vs 403)

OPTICS TUBE



Three independent optics "tubes" with high-index silicon lenses match the f2.5 off-axis 6m Gregorian telescope to the ~ 6" detector arrays (with Lyot stop)

90/150 GHz Multichroic Polarimeter Design

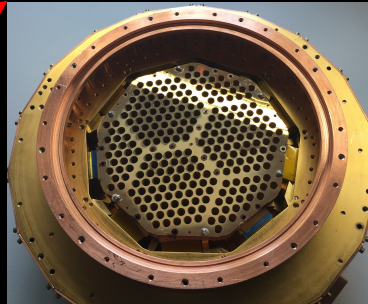
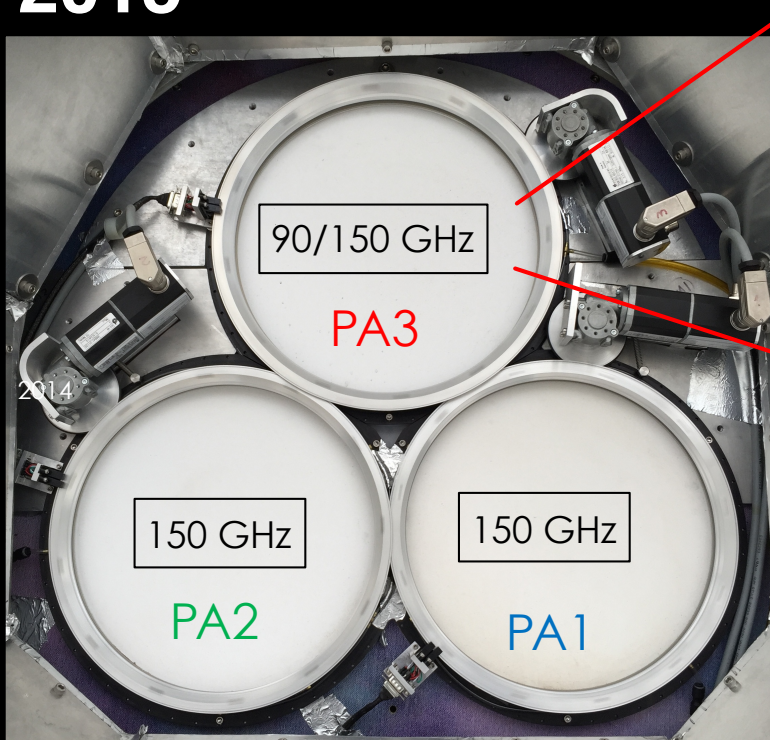


A polarimeter designed to simultaneously measure the 90 and 150 GHz CMB bands.

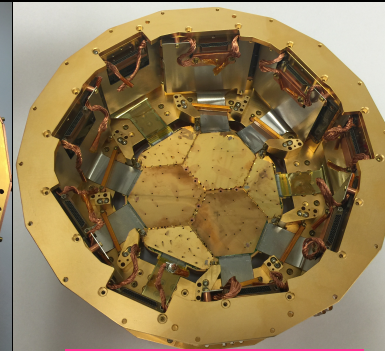
- excellent control of beam systematics with a corrugated feed horn
- frequency independent detector angles

ACTPOL & ADVACT DETECTOR ARRAYS (FABRICATED AT NIST)

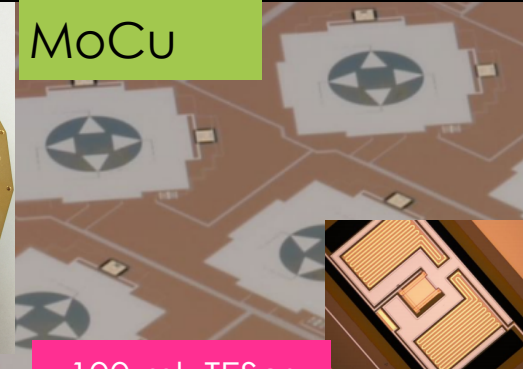
2015



FEEDHORNS



3" WAFERS

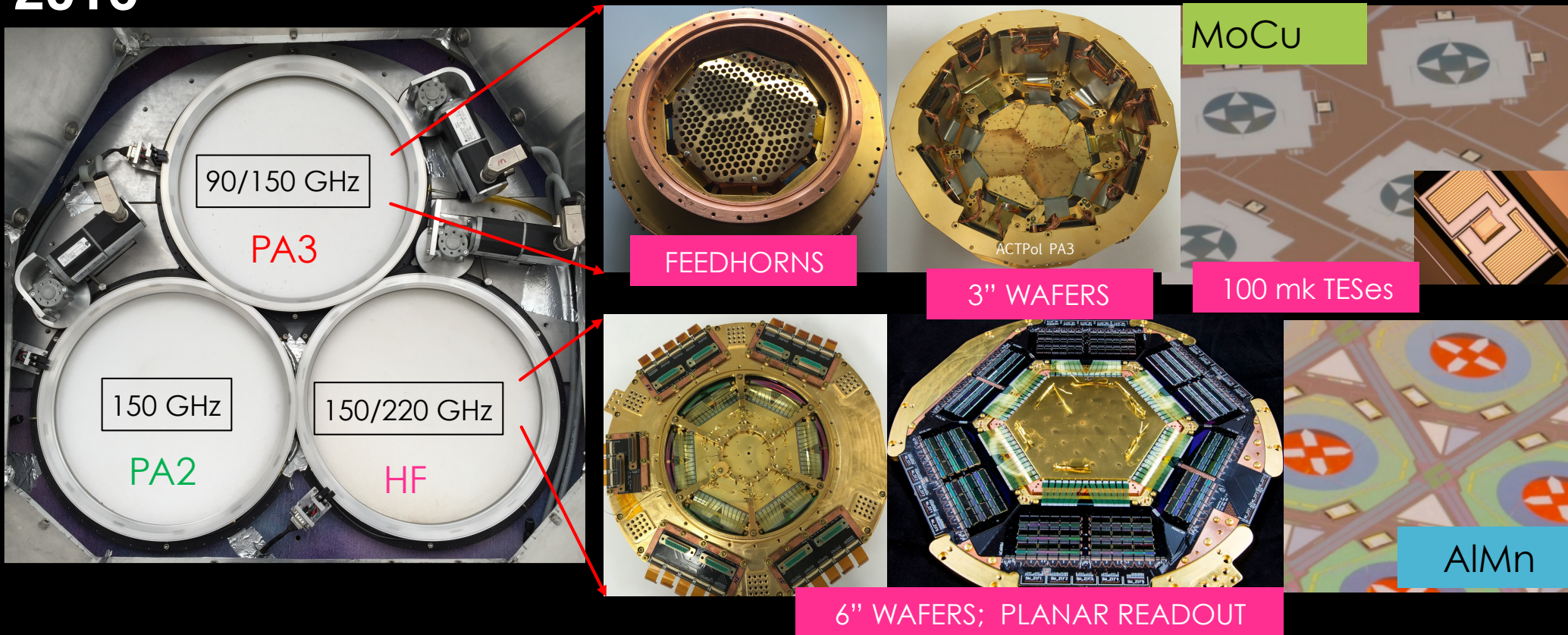


100 mK TESes

ACTPOL:
PA1 & PA2 operate(d) at 150 GHz.
PA3 is dichroic: 90 and 150 GHz.

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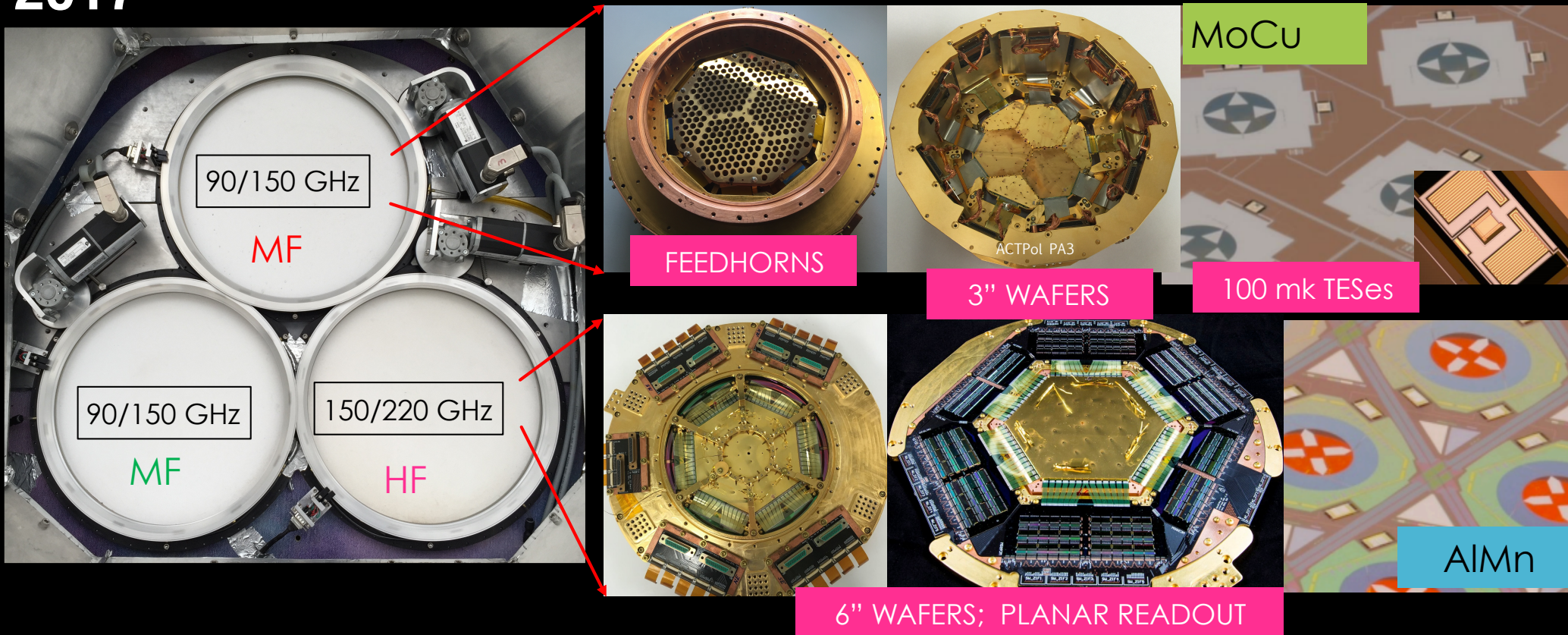


AdvACT:

- 1 HF: 150 & 220 GHz. Installed, 7/2016.
- 2 MF: 90 & 150 GHz. Installed, 4/2017.
- 1 LF: 28 & 41 GHz. Designed / prototyping.

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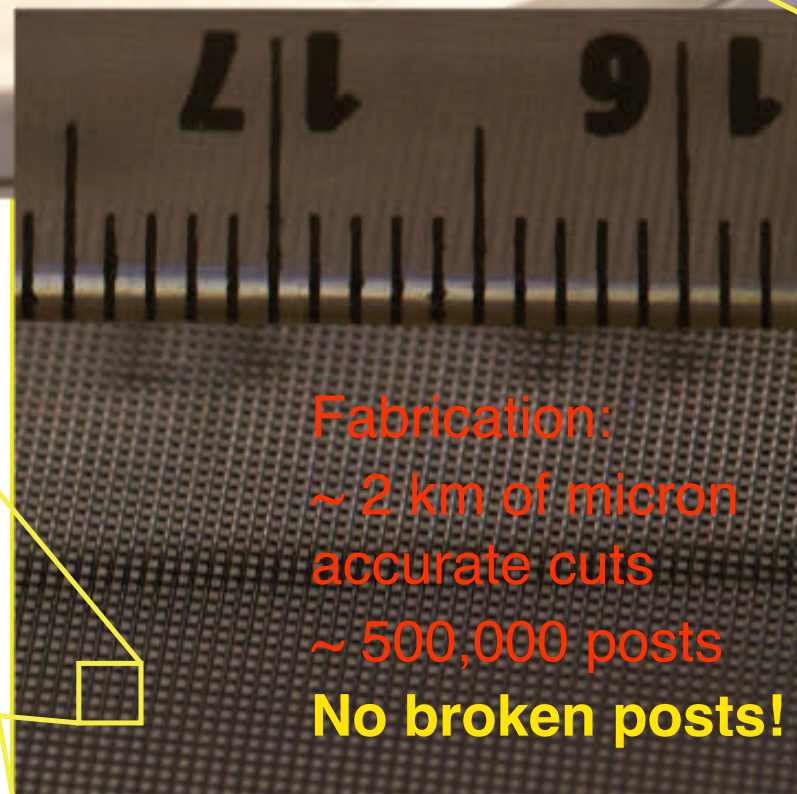
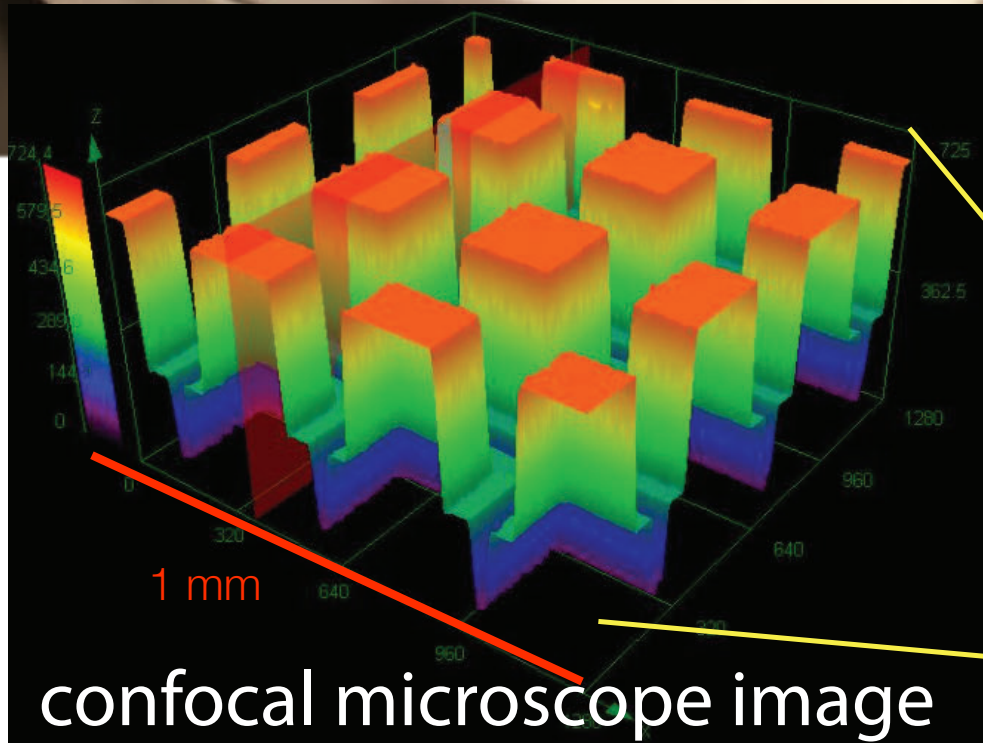
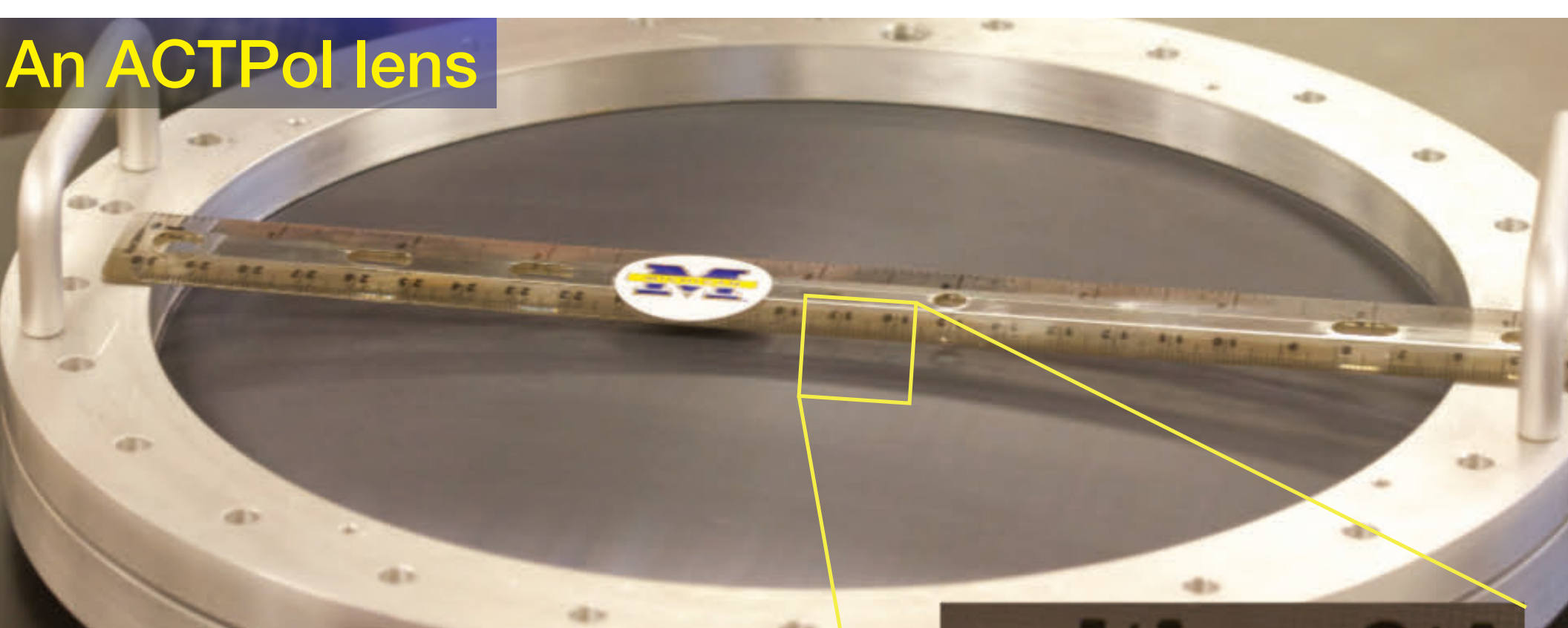


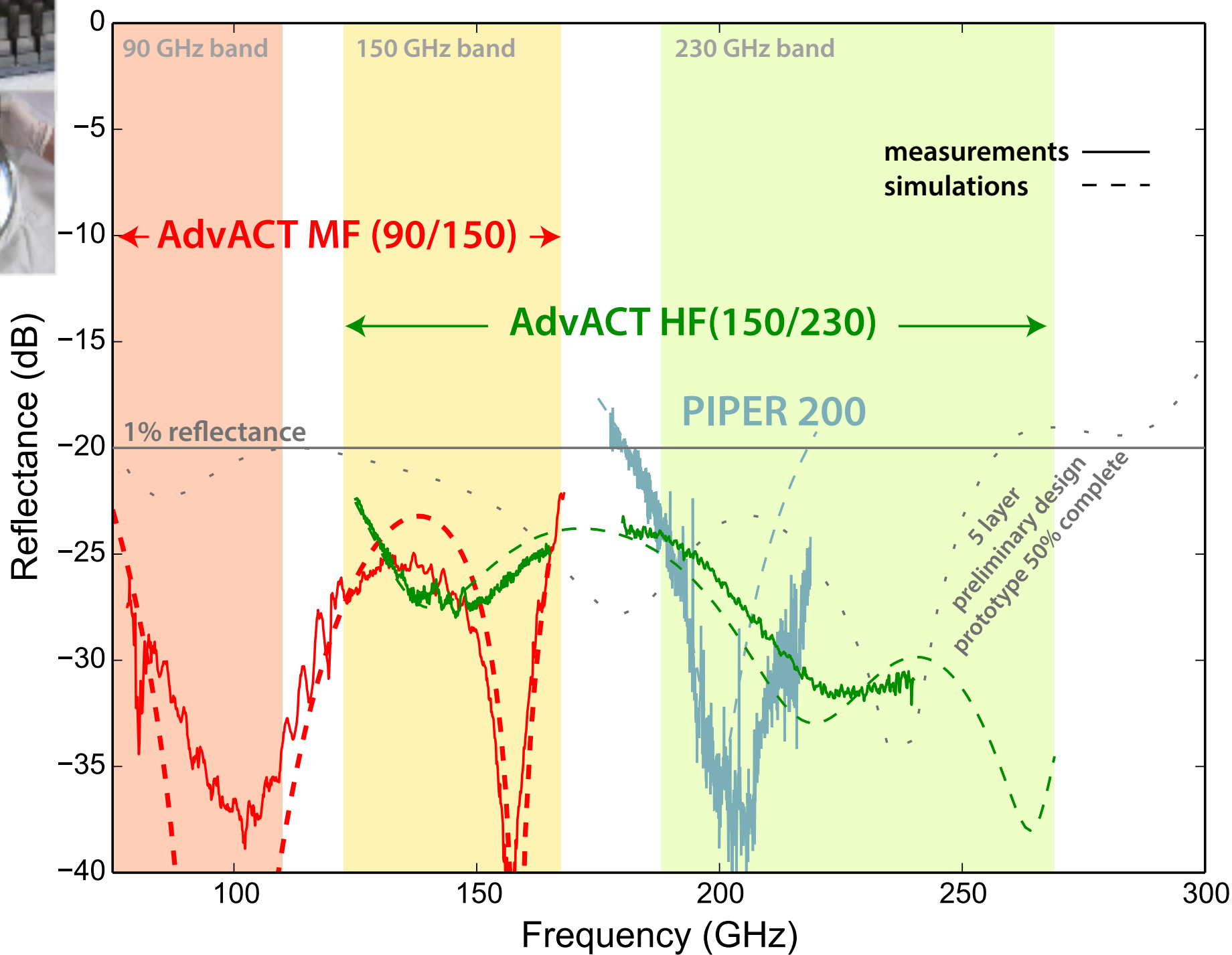
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NEW 3-LAYER COATED
METAMATERIAL SILICON
LENSES TOO.

An ACTPol lens



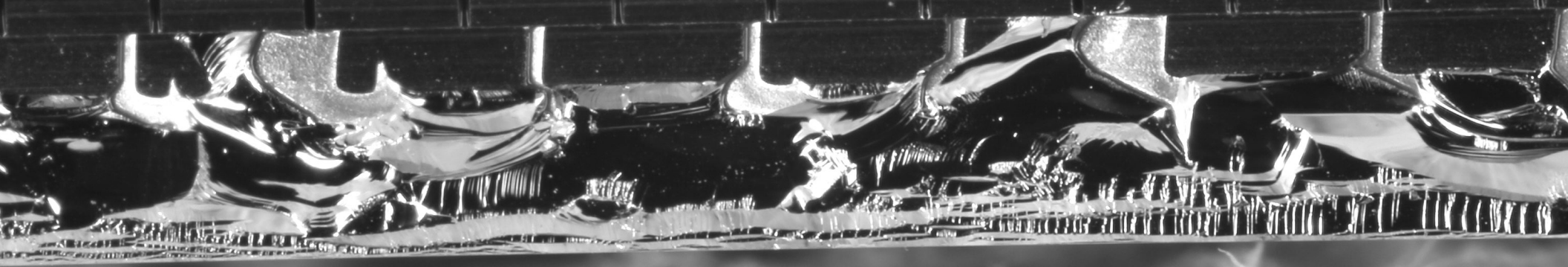


Metamaterial Silicon Half wave plates

Concept: cut anisotropic structures into silicon to engineer a birefringent metamaterial

Advantages:

- (1) larger birefringence than sapphire leads to thinner half wave plates with lower loss and emission
- (2) easy to AR coat and can make birefringent coatings



Broad-Band Metamaterial Silicon

Half wave plates

90-150 broad
band geometry

Concept: an achromatic stack of three halfwave plates with birefringent AR coatings.

Key Design choice

$$\Delta n \sim 0.8$$

- reduces thickness and loss
- keeps reflections manageable

Simulation Trick

use a 3x2 lattice to embed the rotated layer into a square grid

Assembly

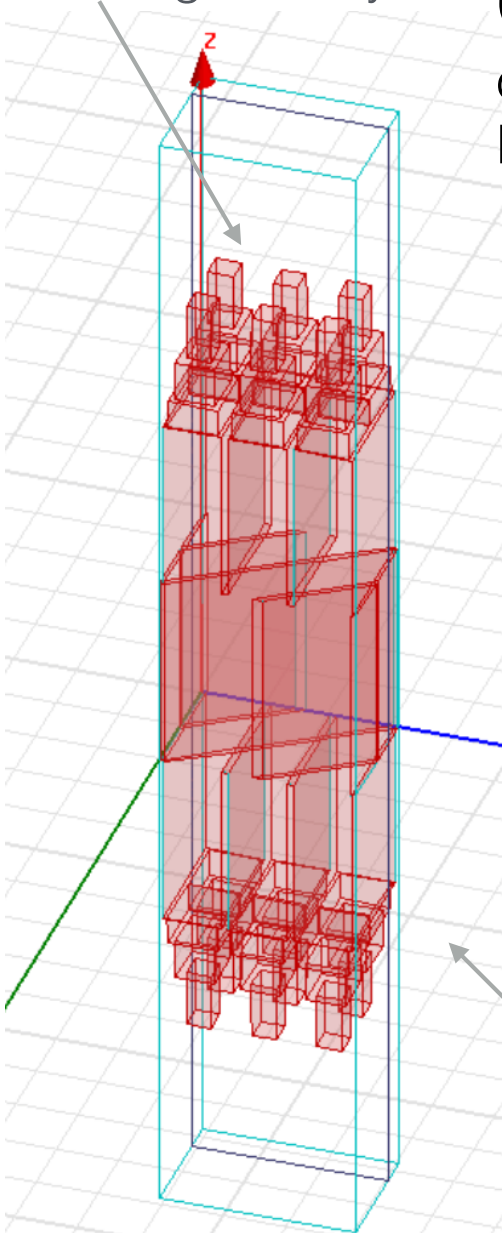
cut internal rotated HWP first, glue this onto a second wafer, cut the outer layers

Optimization

minimize differential reflection

predicted performance:

- <1.5 K emission @ 300K
- > 95% modulation efficiency
- <2% averaged reflections



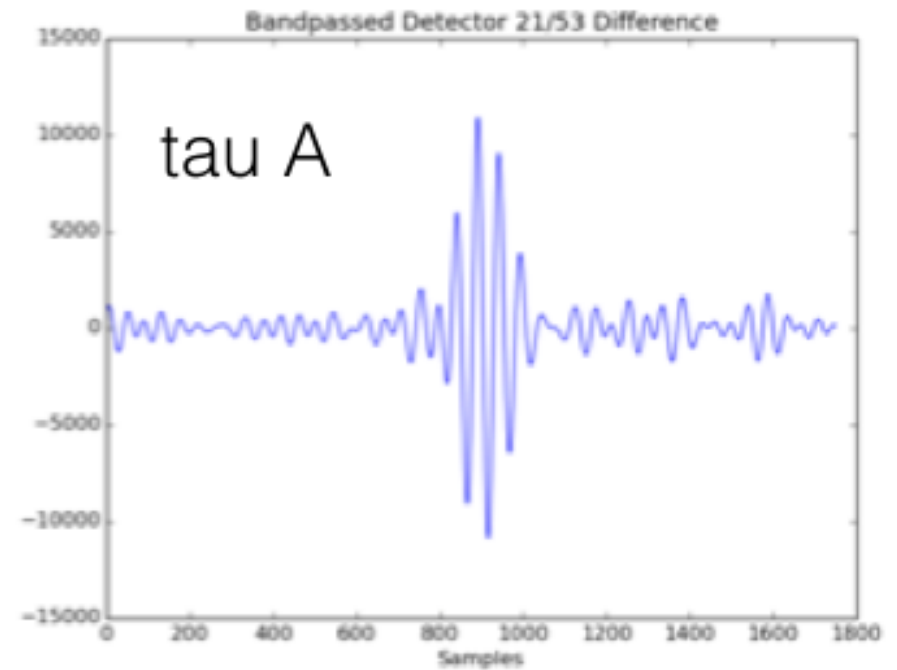
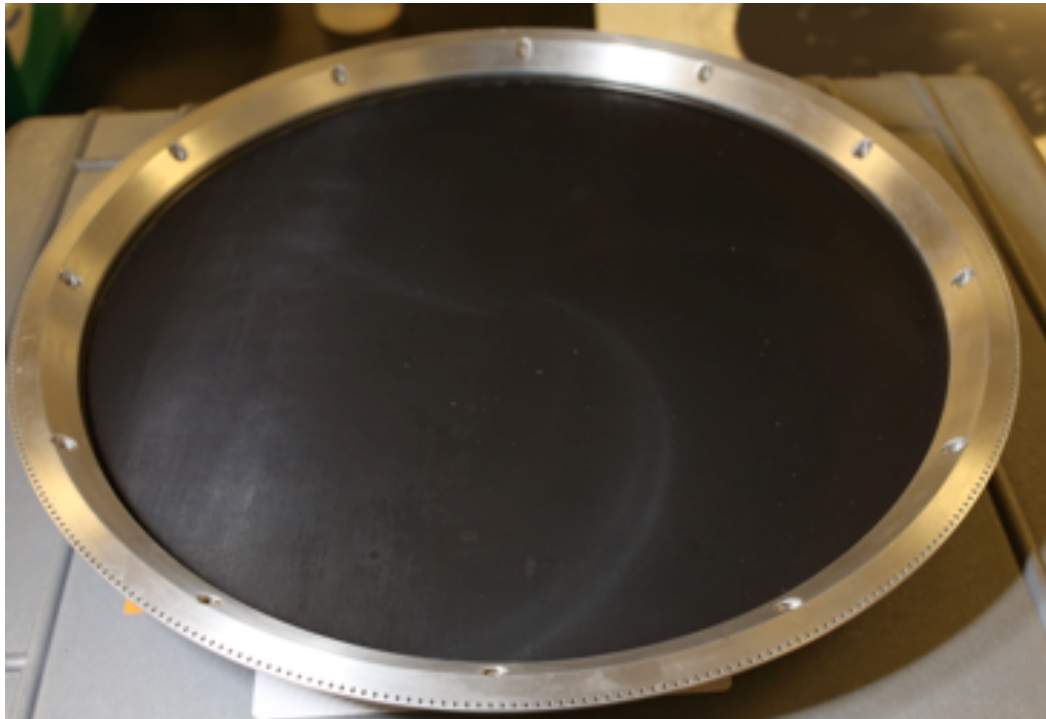
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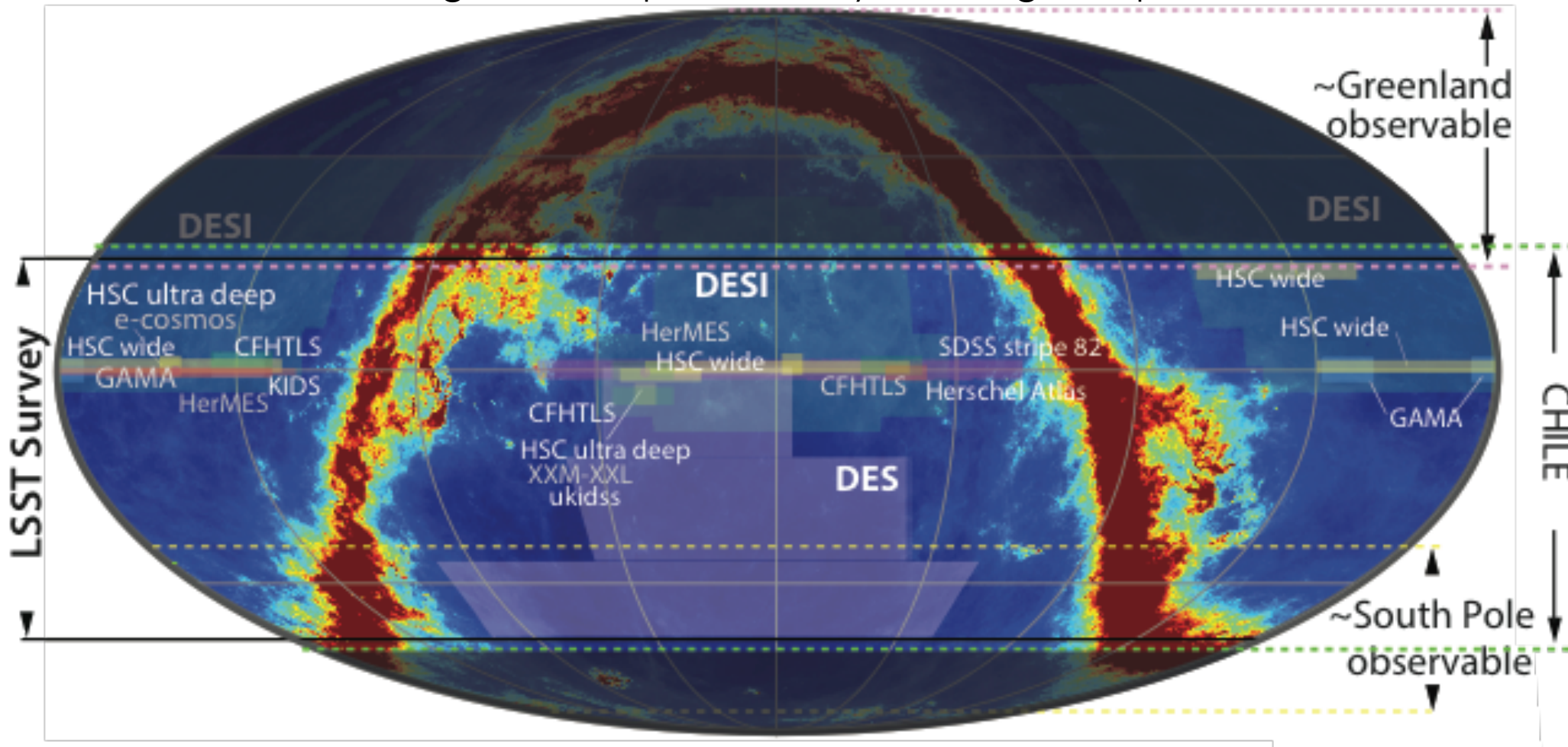
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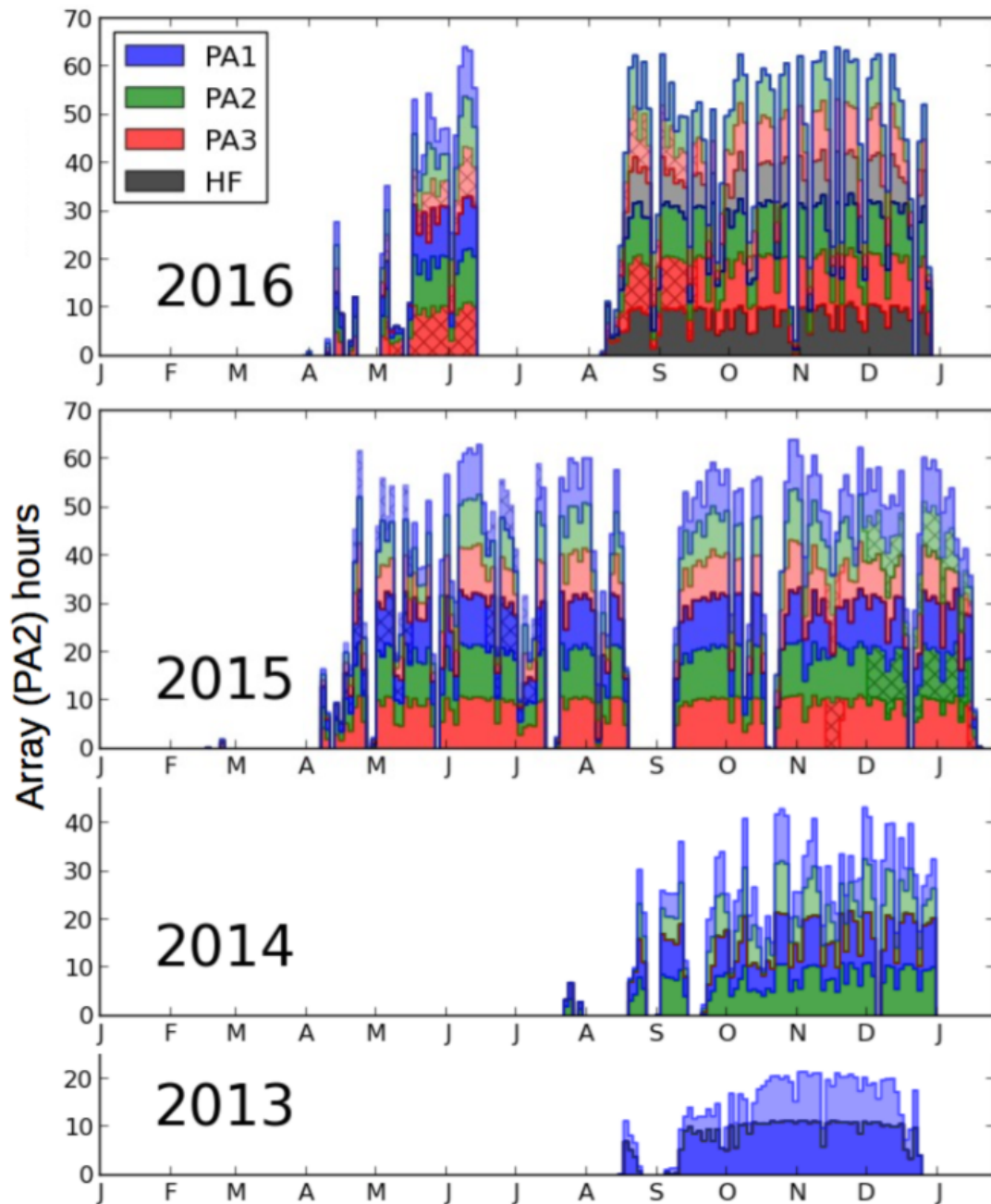
The Chilean Sky

Foreground + optical survey coverage map



We can overlap completely with DES and LSST , observe much of DESI

ACTPOL & ADVACT DATA (2013-2016)



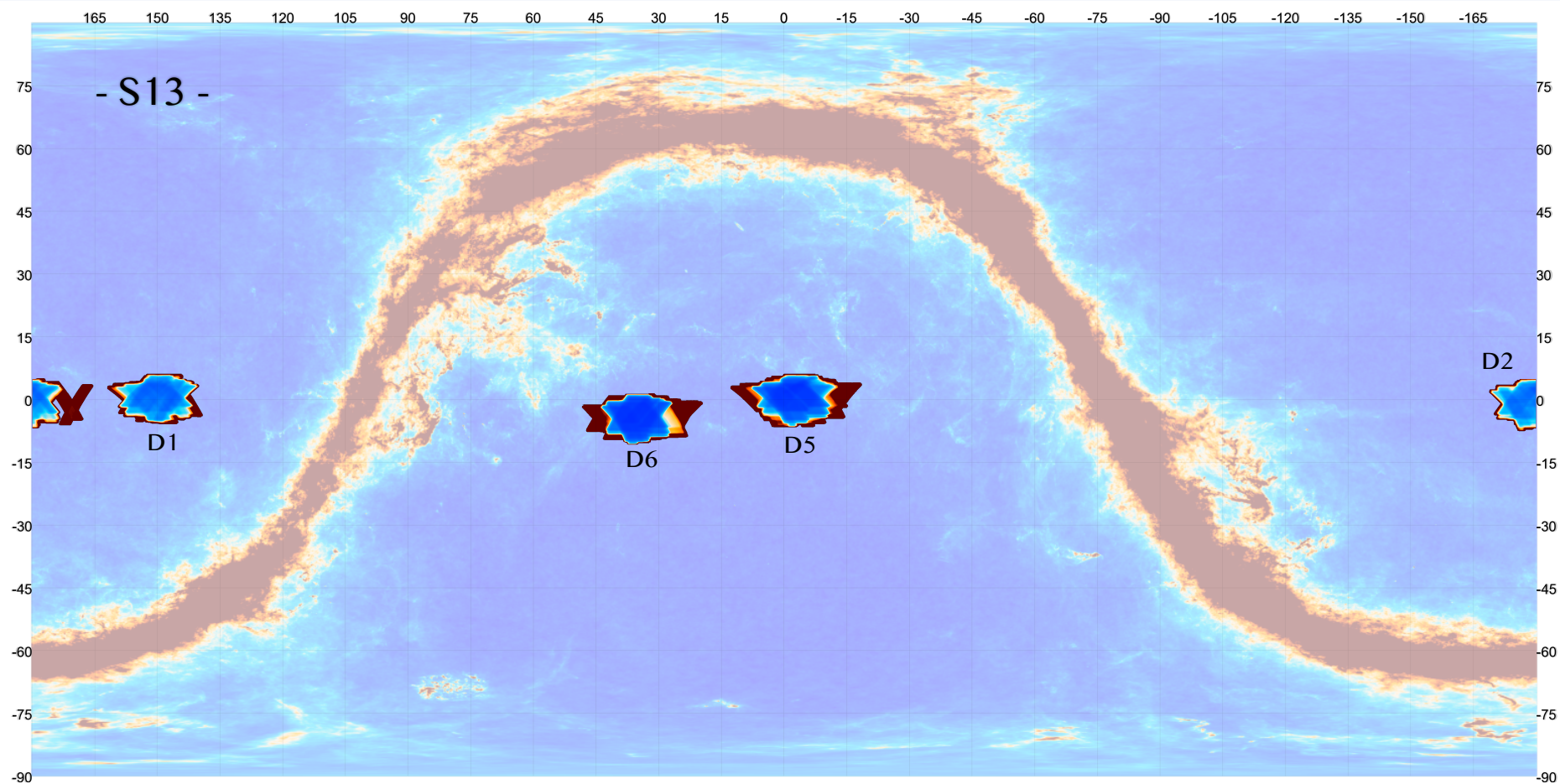
- These show all real on-sky detector data (CMB or planets).

- When things are going well, our efficiency is ~22 hours/day/array.

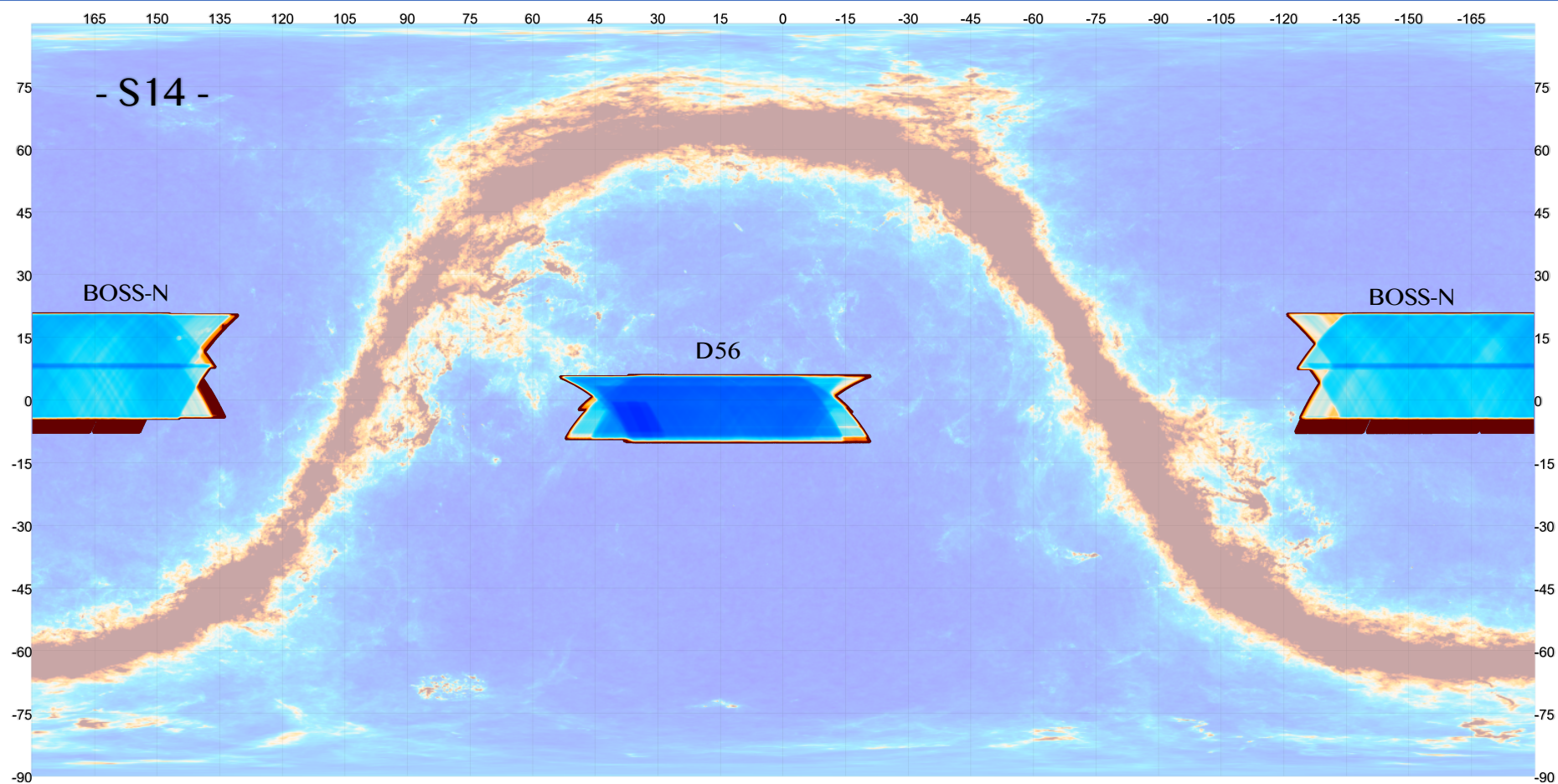
42 TB of raw data
AdvACT ~ 185 GB/day

- y-axis maximum is 3*24 hrs for 3 arrays
- Lower/dark = night
- Upper/light = day

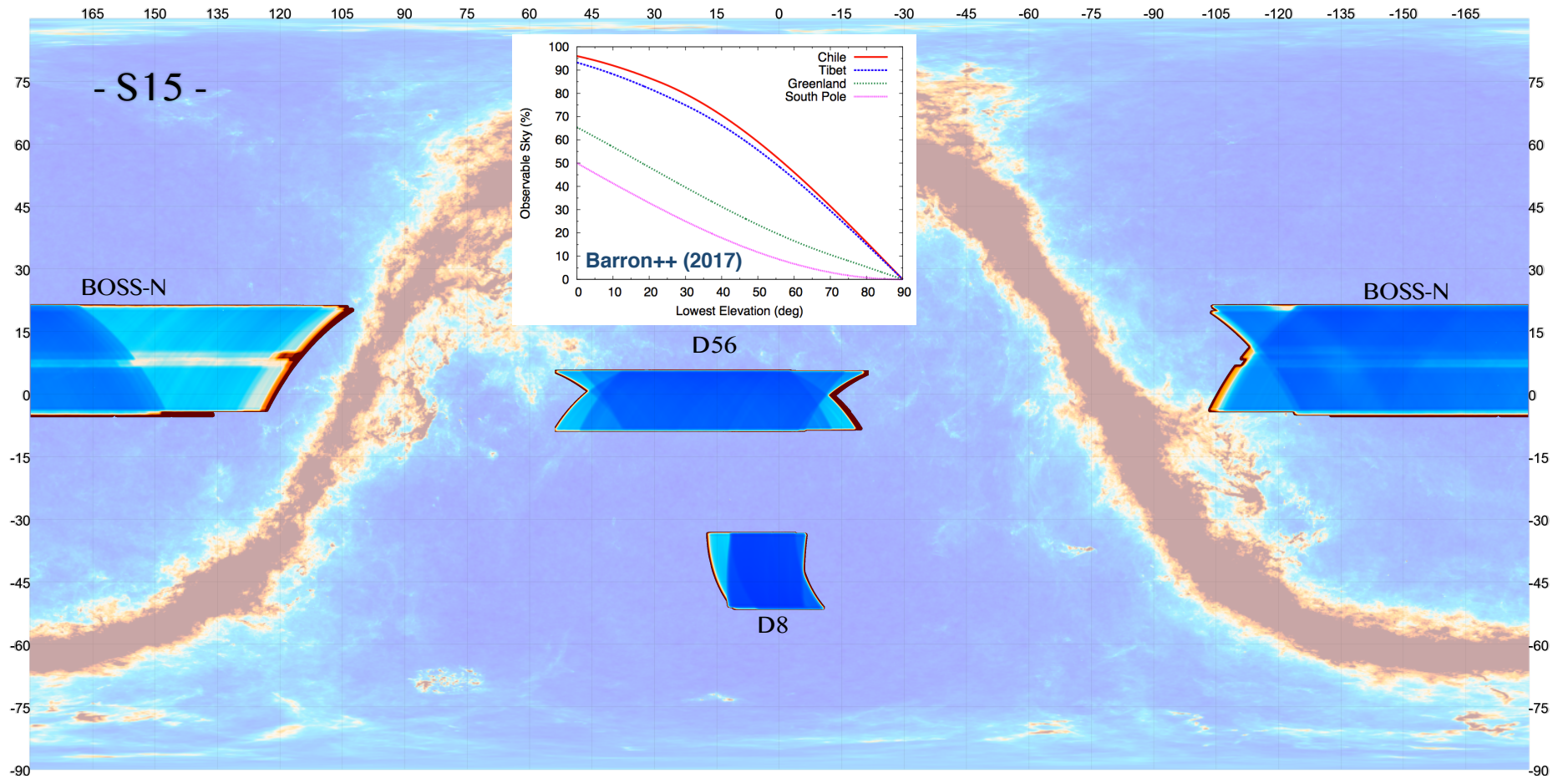
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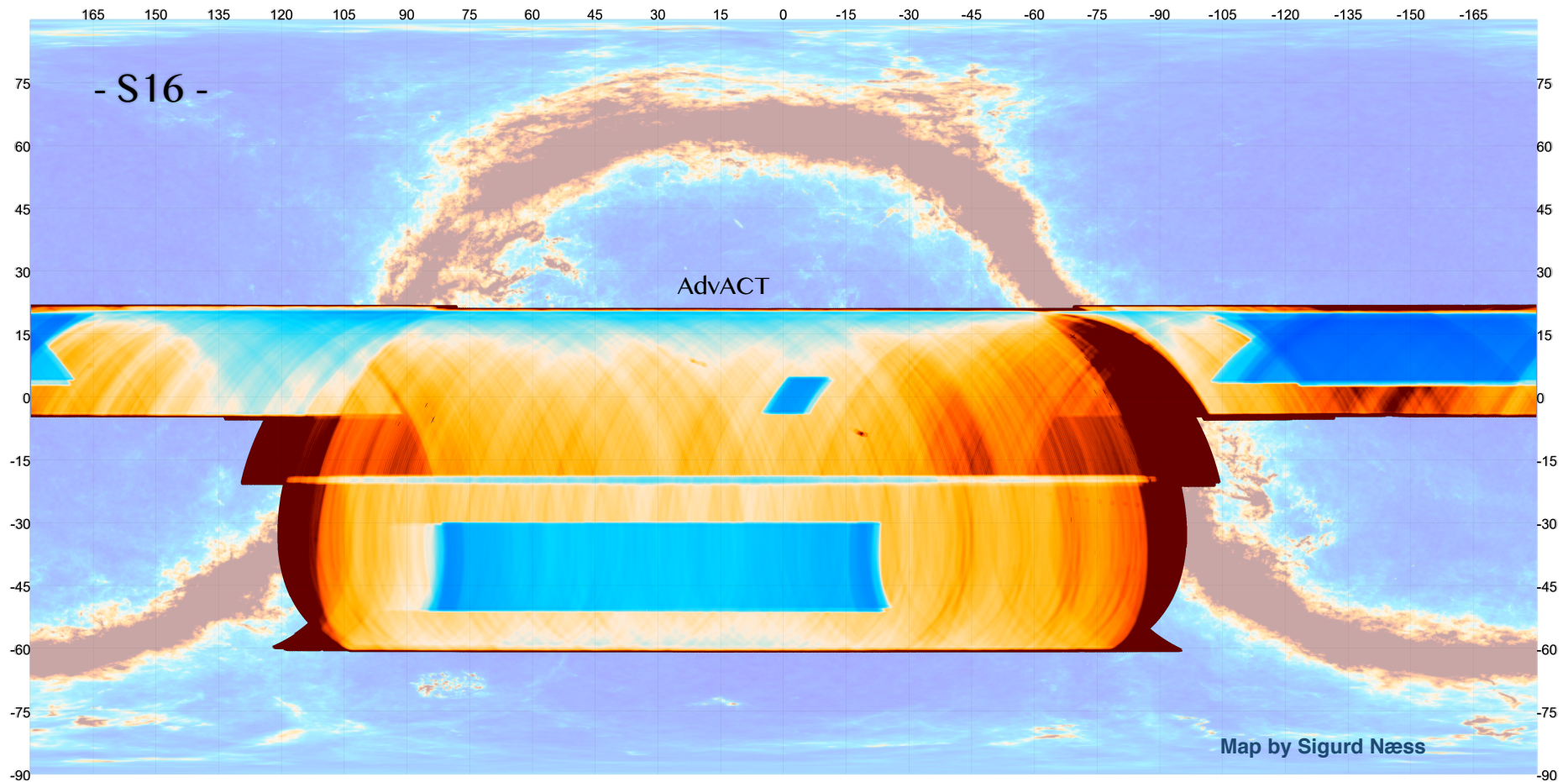
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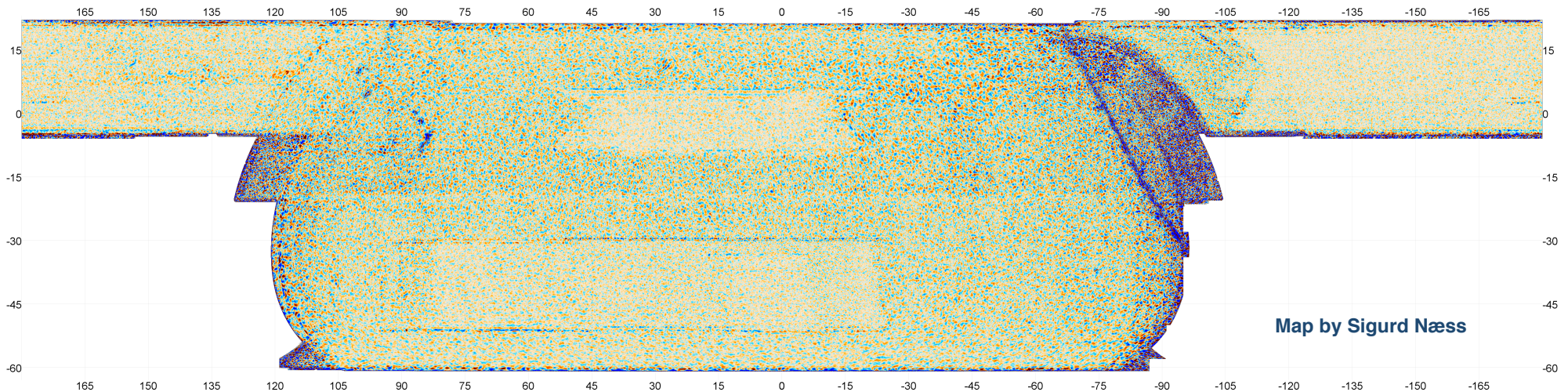
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AdvACT Survey: wide field will improve many measurements beyond what was achieved with Planck

Temperature Map @ 150GHz

18,000 sq-deg mapped on 0.5 arcmin pixels \rightarrow 330×10^6 pixels !



S16

PA2 @ 150 GHz
PA3 @ 90 / 150 GHz
HF @ 150 / 220 GHz

S17

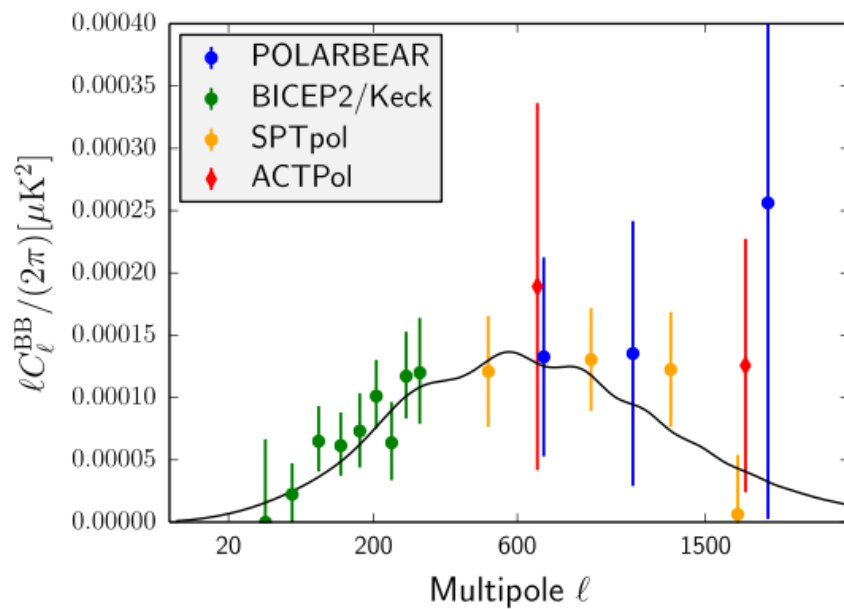
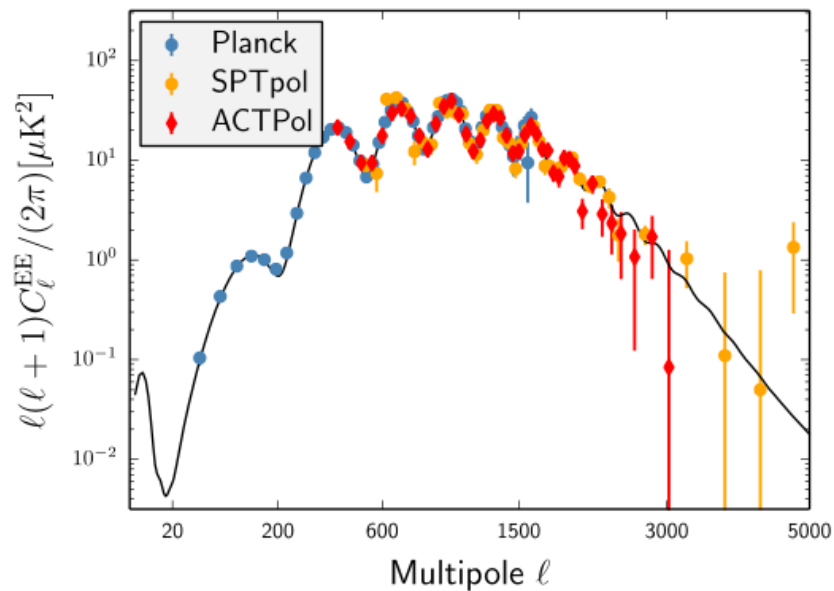
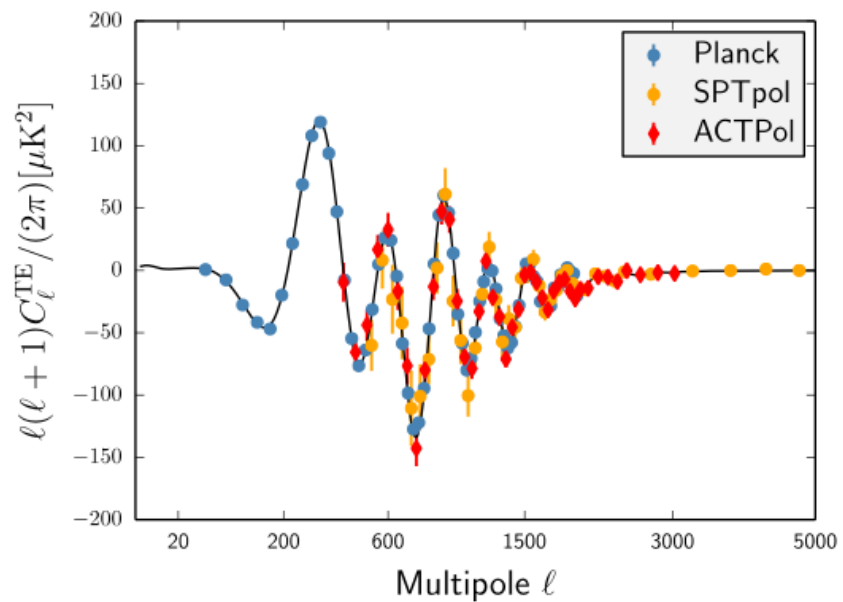
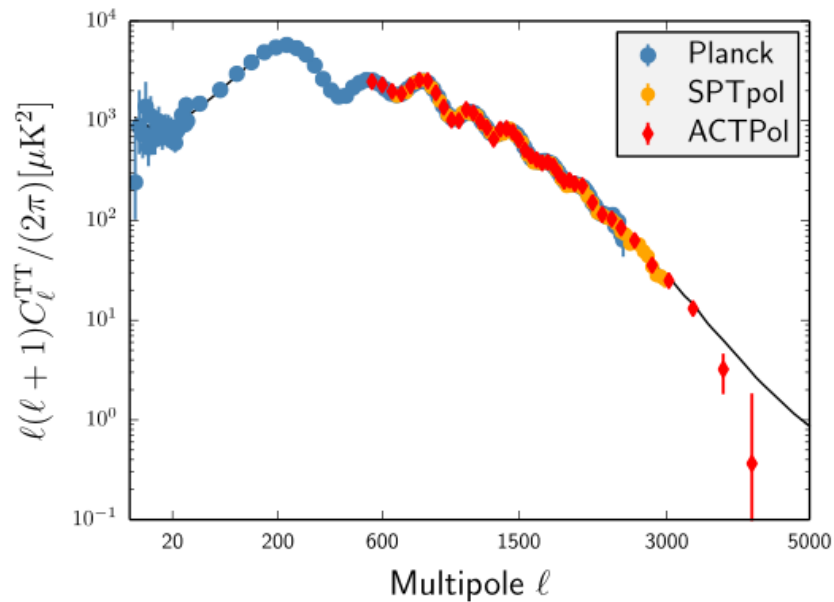
MF @ 90 / 150 GHz
MF @ 90 / 150 GHz
HF @ 150 / 220 GHz

S18

LF @ 28 / 41 GHz
MF @ 90 / 150 GHz
HF @ 150 / 220 GHz

AdvACT Maximum Likelihood Mapmaking: A full scale demonstration of what will be required for S0 and S4

ACTPOL CMB SPECTRA: 2013-2014

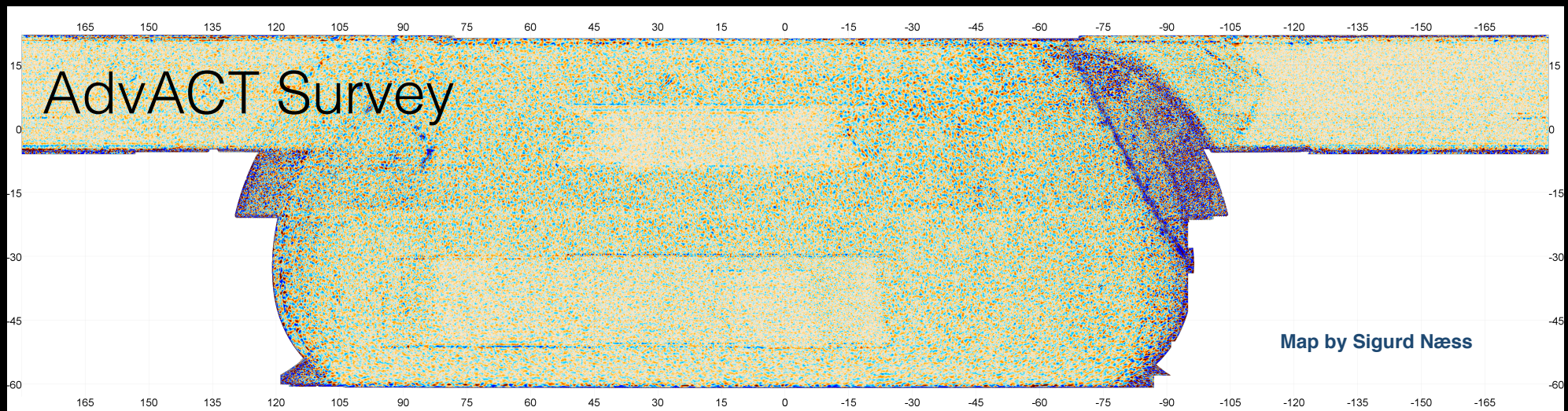


FIRST ACTPOL RESULTS

- **First polarization maps & spectra with PA1:**
 - Naess, Hasselfield, McMahon, Niemack et al 2014
- **Cluster lensing of the CMB (with BOSS)**
 - Madhavacheril, Sehgal et al, 2015
- **CMB lensing (with Planck CIB)**
 - Van Engelen, Sherwin, Sehgal et al 2015
- **kSZ detections (with BOSS)**
 - Schaan, Ferraro et al 2016
 - de Bernardis, Aiola, Vavagiakis, Niemack et al 2016
- **Year 1 & 2 spectra & parameters**
 - Louis, Grace, Hasselfield, Lungu, Maurin et al 2017
- **Instrument paper + many technical reports**
 - Thornton, et al 2016
 - (Many)

MORE COMING!

NOTE THAT ANALYSES WITH
ACT DATA CONTINUE – 4 NEW
RESULTS IN 2016...



- AdvACT fully operational, demonstrating advanced technologies: multichroic detectors, metamaterial lenses, metamaterial wave plates
- The maximum likelihood mapmaking and analysis codes will demonstrate analysis algorithms at scale for Simons Observatory and CMB-S4
- With data in hand we can improve cosmological constraints including: N_{eff} , ΣM_{ν} , and more
 - In particular, with the full AdvACT data set, we can improve constraints on the Hubble constant for which there is currently a 3 sigma tension between CMB and distance ladder measurements
- Survey maps will enable cross-correlations (lensing, clusters, etc) which will lead to additional constraints, and legacy value