

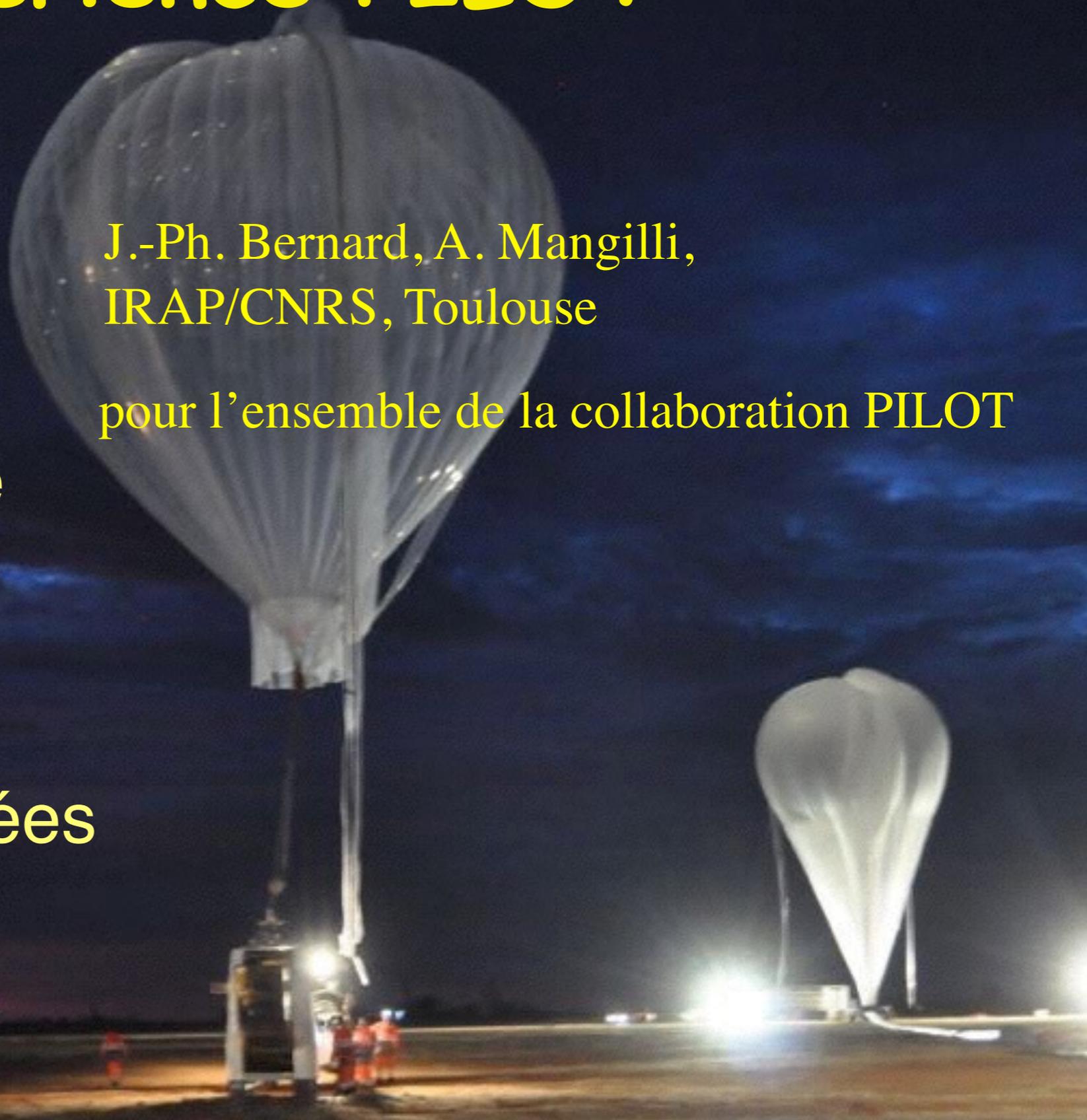
l'expérience PILOT



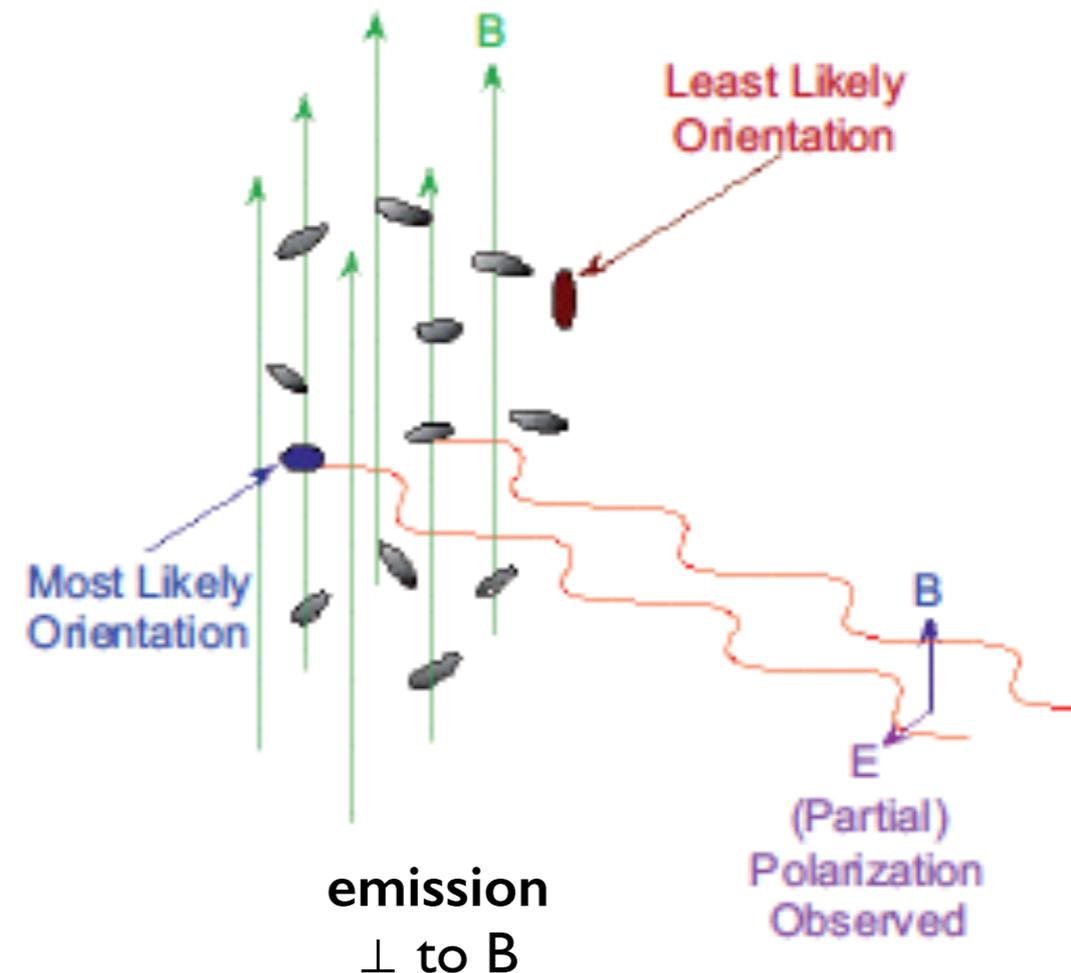
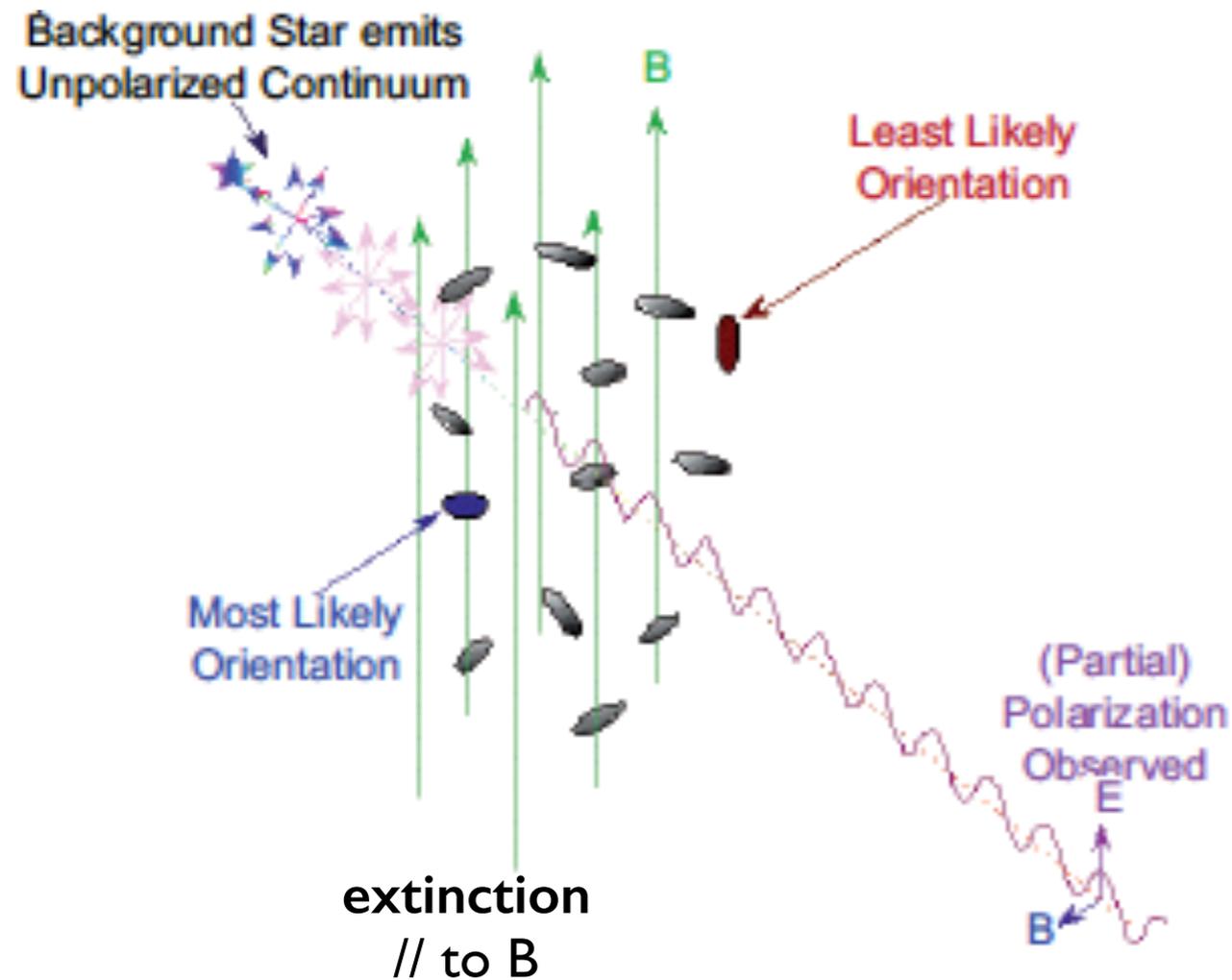
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pour l'ensemble de la collaboration PILOT

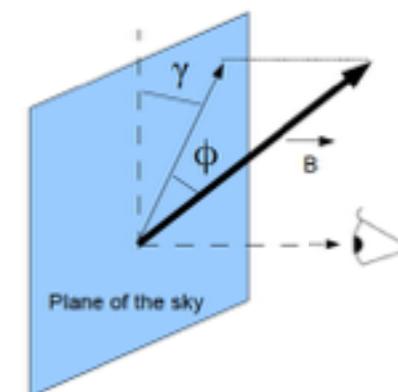
Contexte Scientifique
L'expérience PILOT
Les vols
Performances en vol
Traitement des données
Premiers résultats
Futur



Dust Polarization



- Grains are rotating, elongated
- Grains align partially on B
- Cross sections \propto grains size, so polarization in extinction and emission
- Trace magnetic field direction projected on the sky
- Unlike Synchrotron emission, traces B field in star forming regions

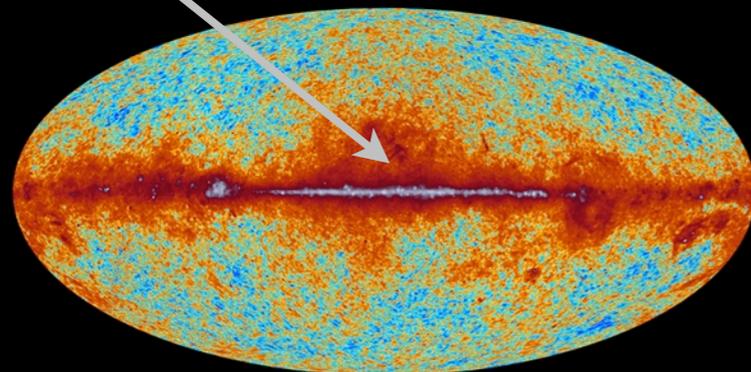


$$P = \sqrt{(Q^2 + U^2)} \propto \cos^2 \phi$$

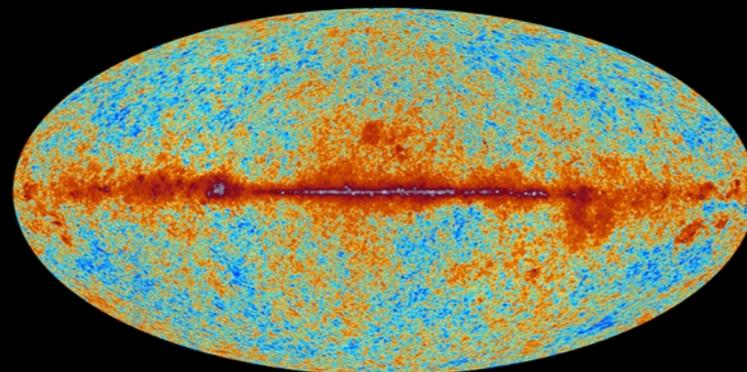
The Planck sky

Synchrotron emission

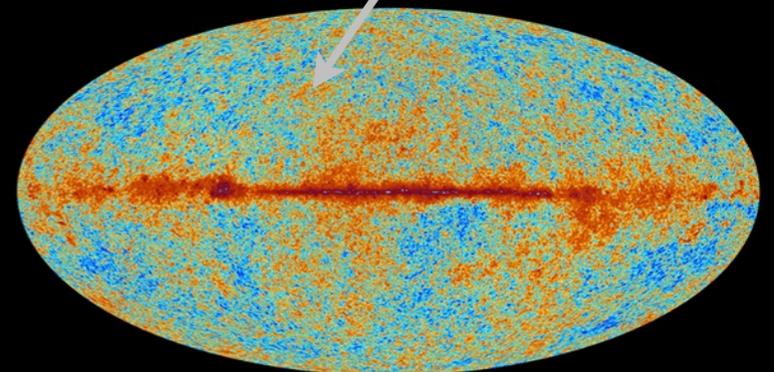
Cosmic Microwave Background



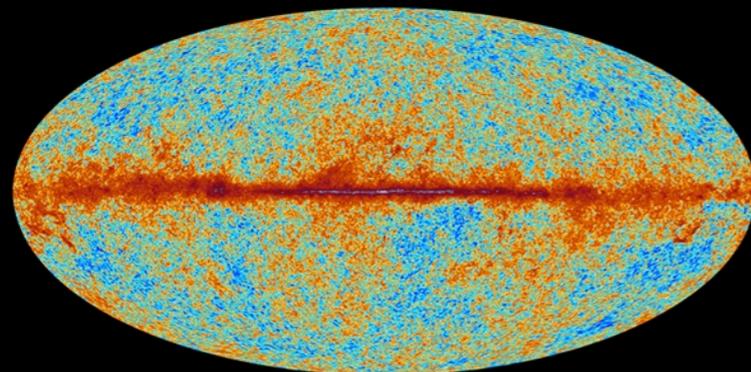
30 GHz



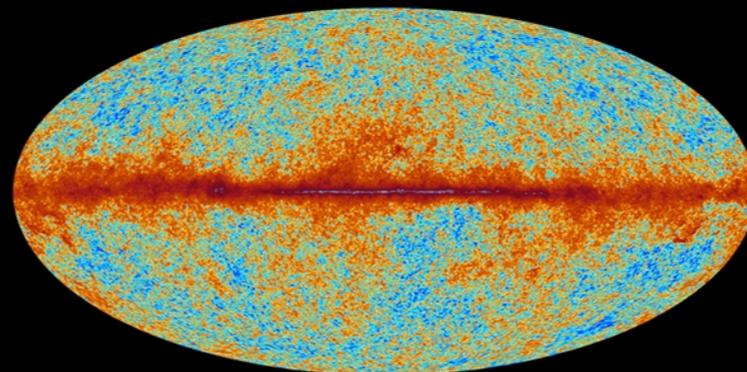
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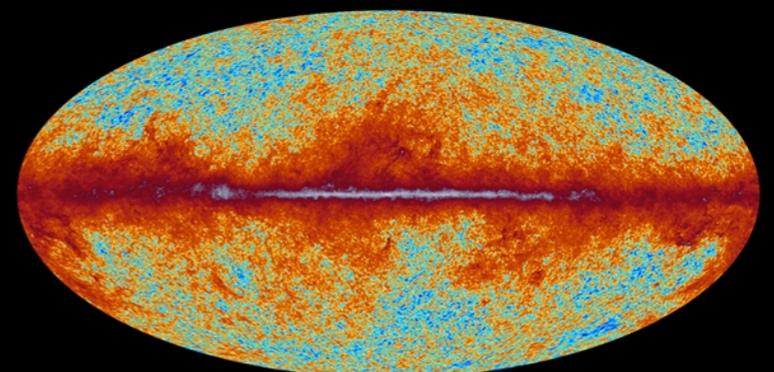
70 GHz



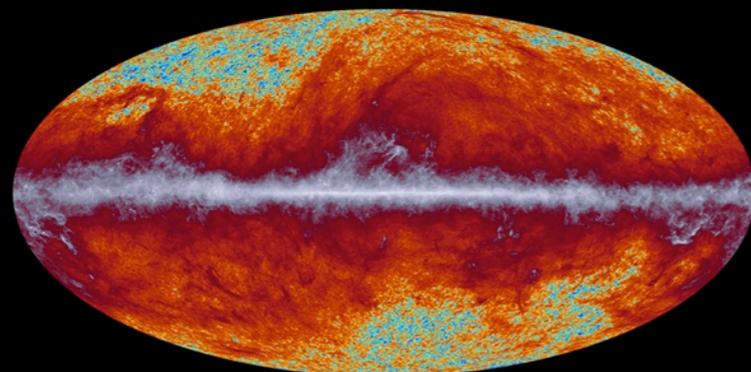
100 GHz



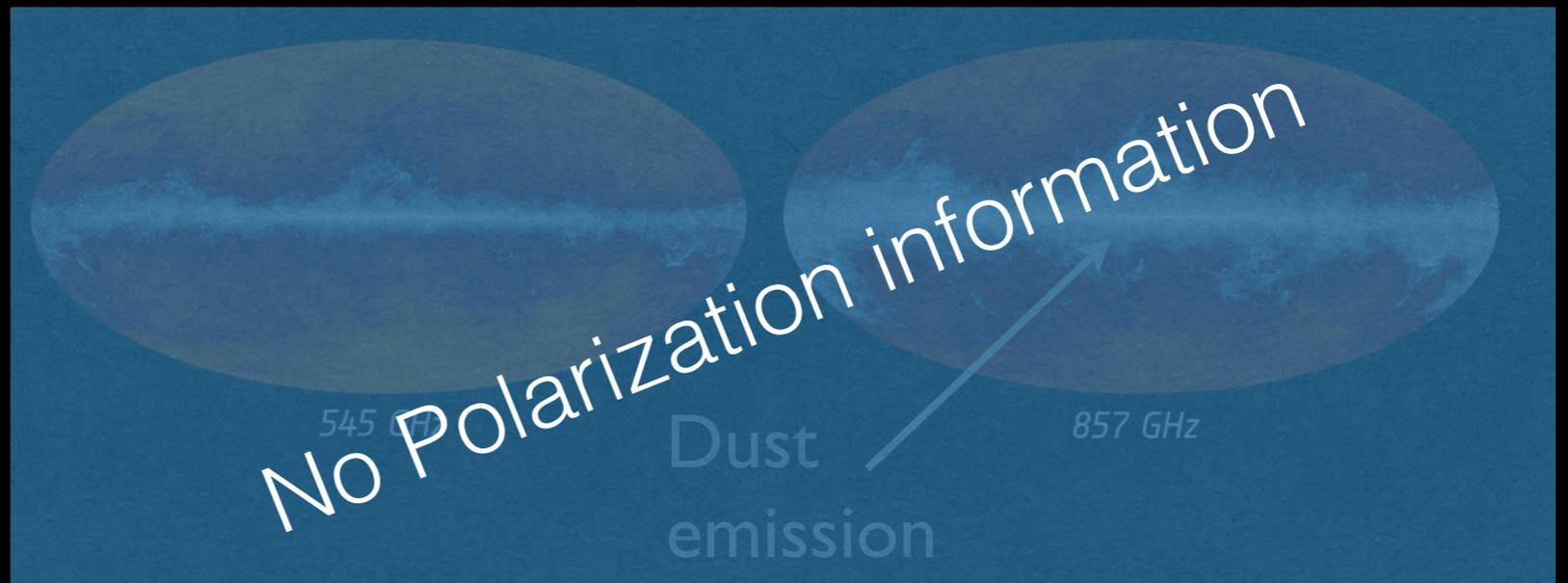
143 GHz



217 GHz



353 GHz



No Polarization information

Dust emission

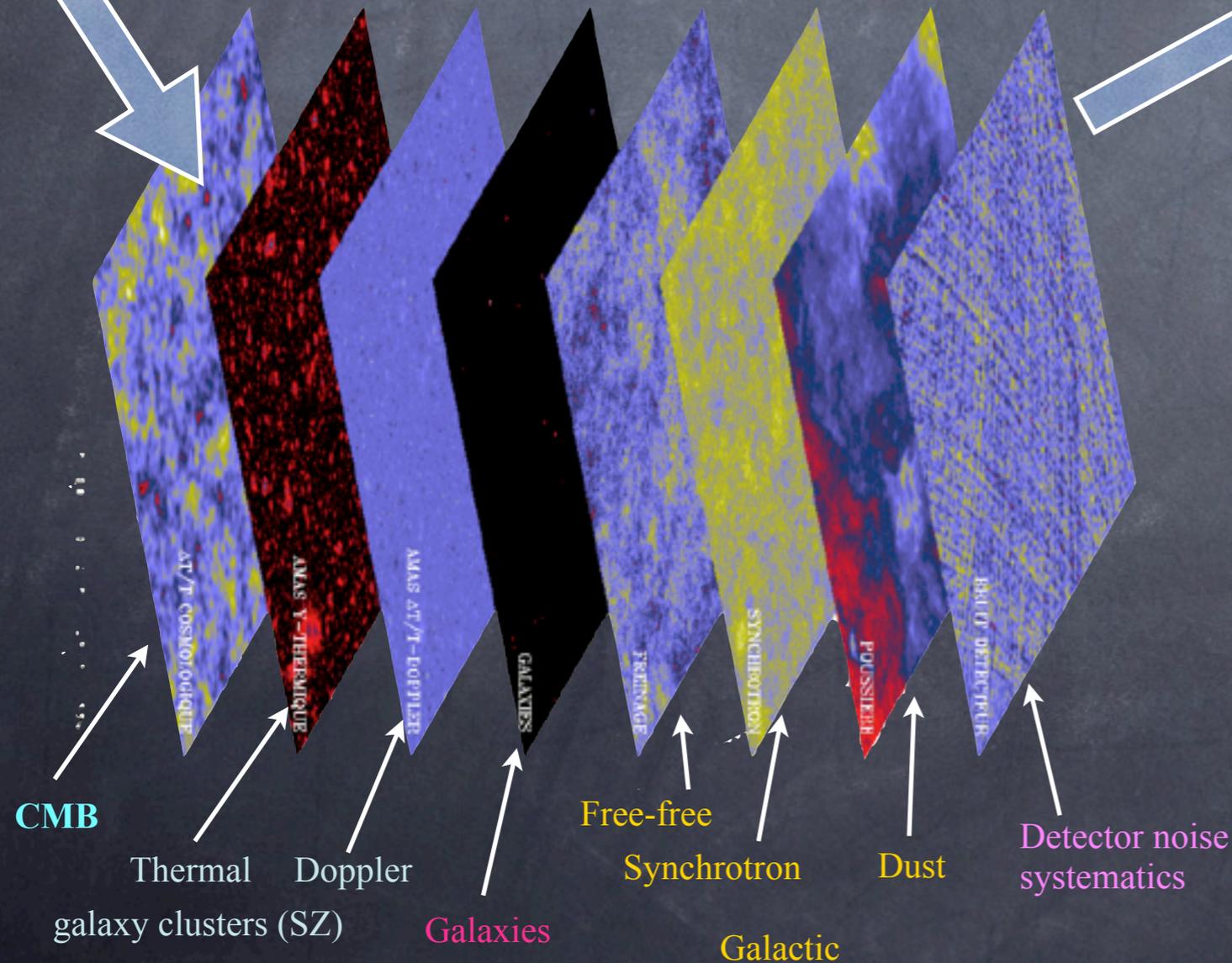
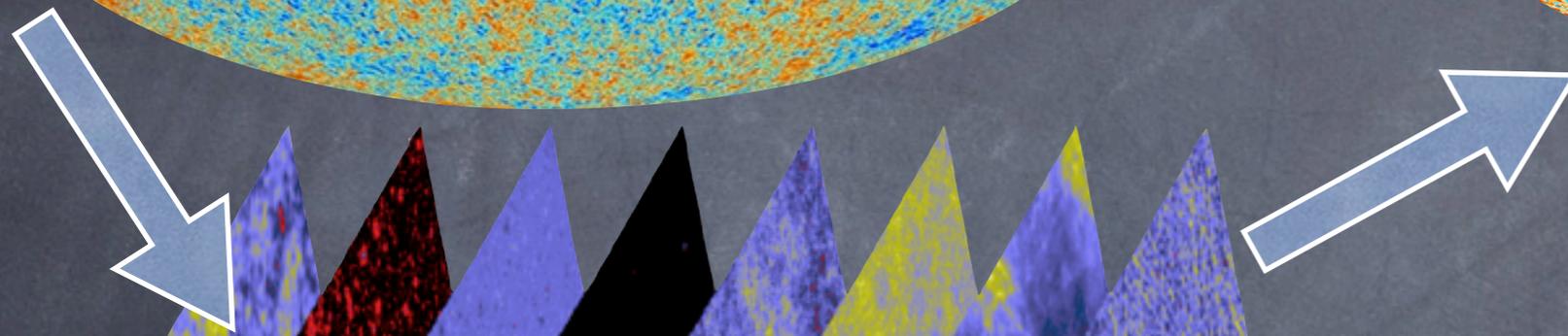
545 GHz

857 GHz

Component separation

Planck data

Planck CMB data

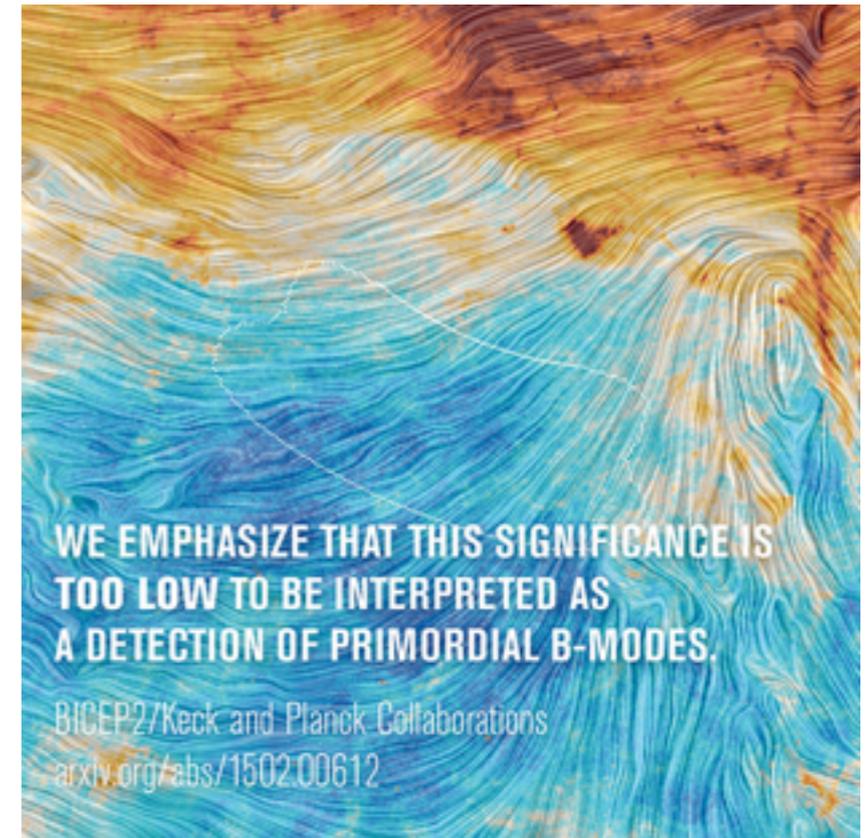


- Emission in the Planck bands is a linear combination of many components
- Getting to the CMB without affecting its power spectrum is a challenge
- Dust is a major contamination in CMB maps

Planck and CMB polarized Foreground

The Bicep2 episode !

The detection of B modes was in fact a detection of dust polarization



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Gravitational wave discovery faces scrutiny

Cosmologist casts doubt on BICEP2's analysis of cosmic microwaves, but the team stands by its conclusions.

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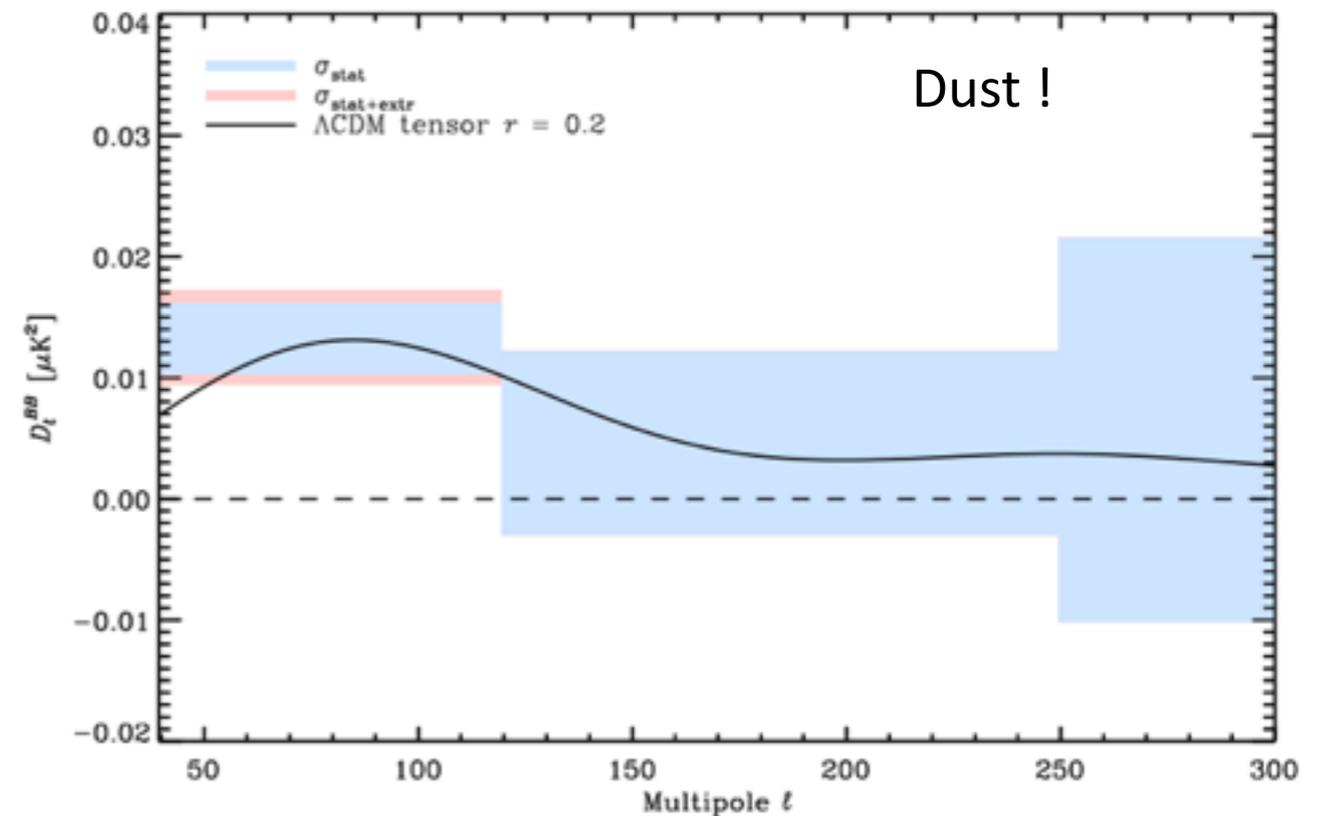
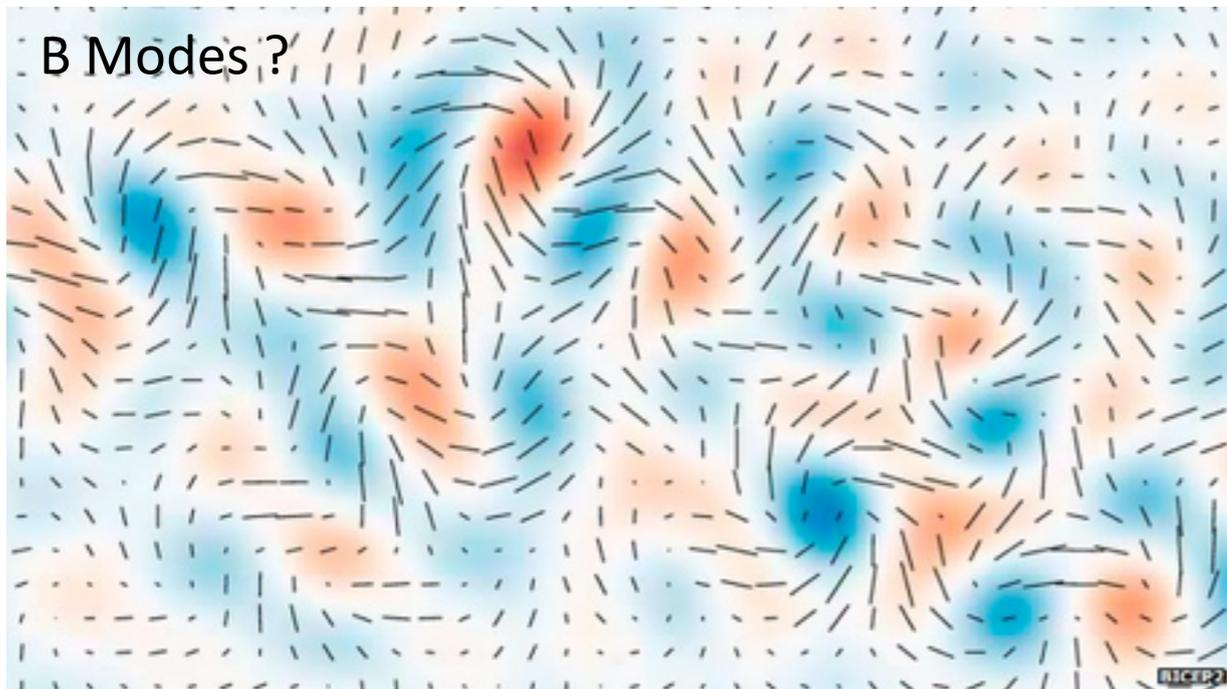
News from Princeton: BICEP2 polarization data are due to dust foreground and not caused by primordial gravity waves
Doubts Shroud Big Bang Discovery

By Adrian Cho | Monday, May 19, 2014 - 6:30pm

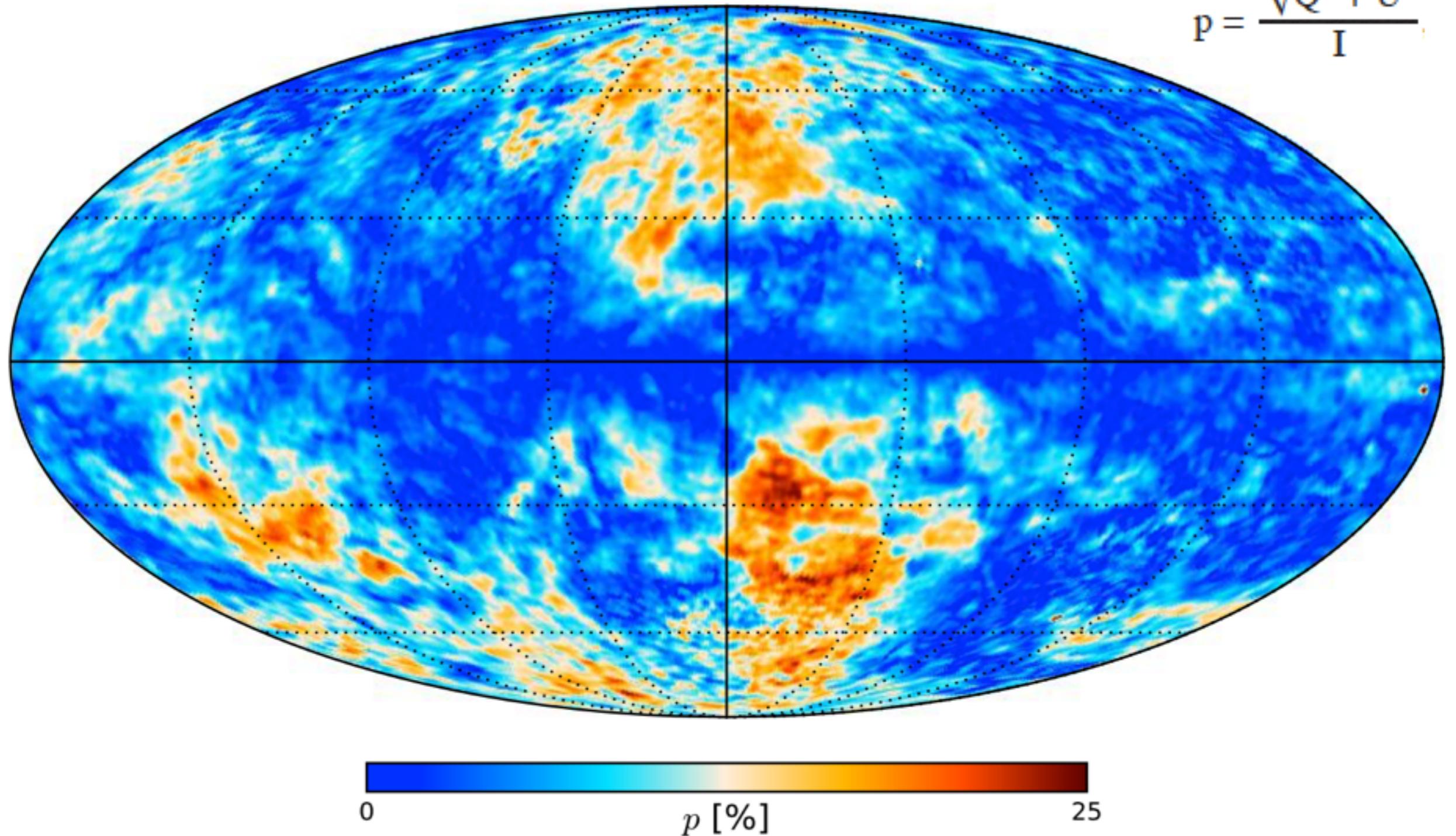
Two months ago, a team of cosmologists reported that it had spotted the first direct evidence that the newborn universe underwent a mind-boggling exponential growth spurt known as inflation. But a new analysis suggests the signal, a subtle pattern in the afterglow of the big bang, or cosmic microwave background, could be an artifact produced by dust within our own galaxy.

Staff Writer
Email Adrian

For the full story, see this week's issue of Science.



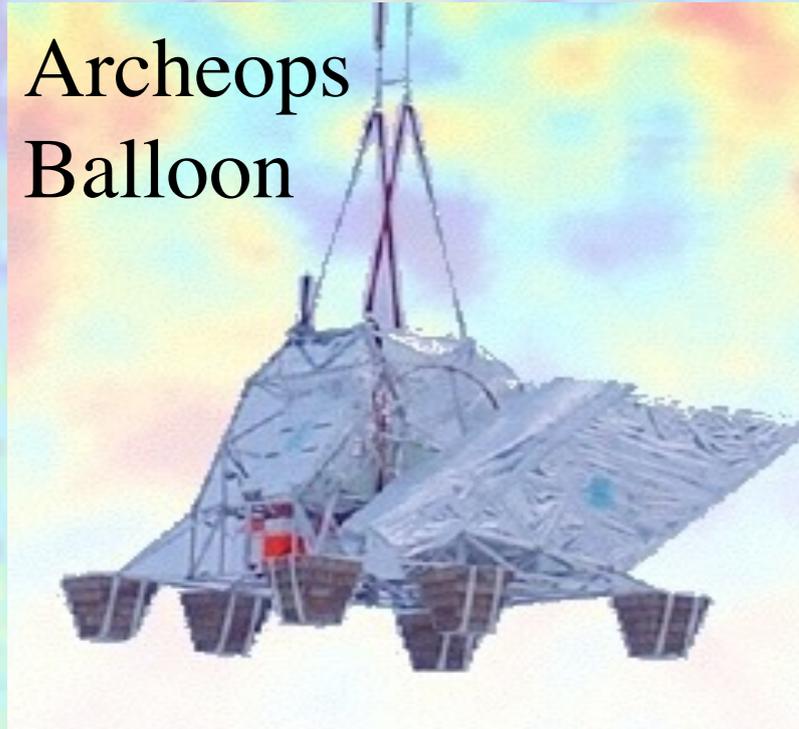
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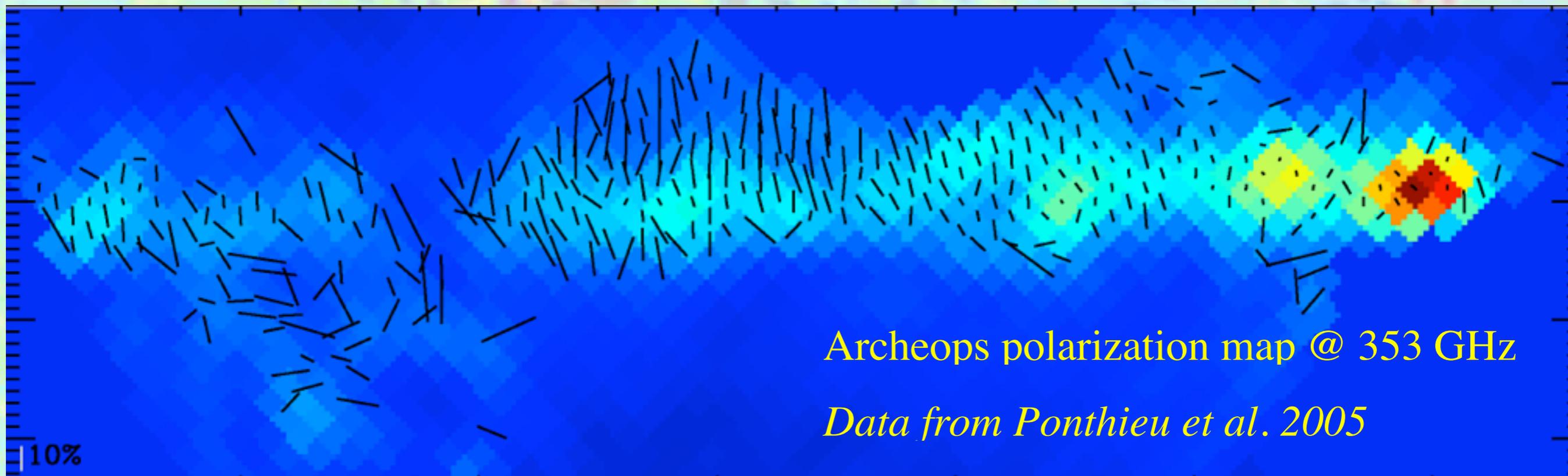
Dust polarization much higher than expected by most astronomers !

Foreground polarisation

Archeops
Balloon



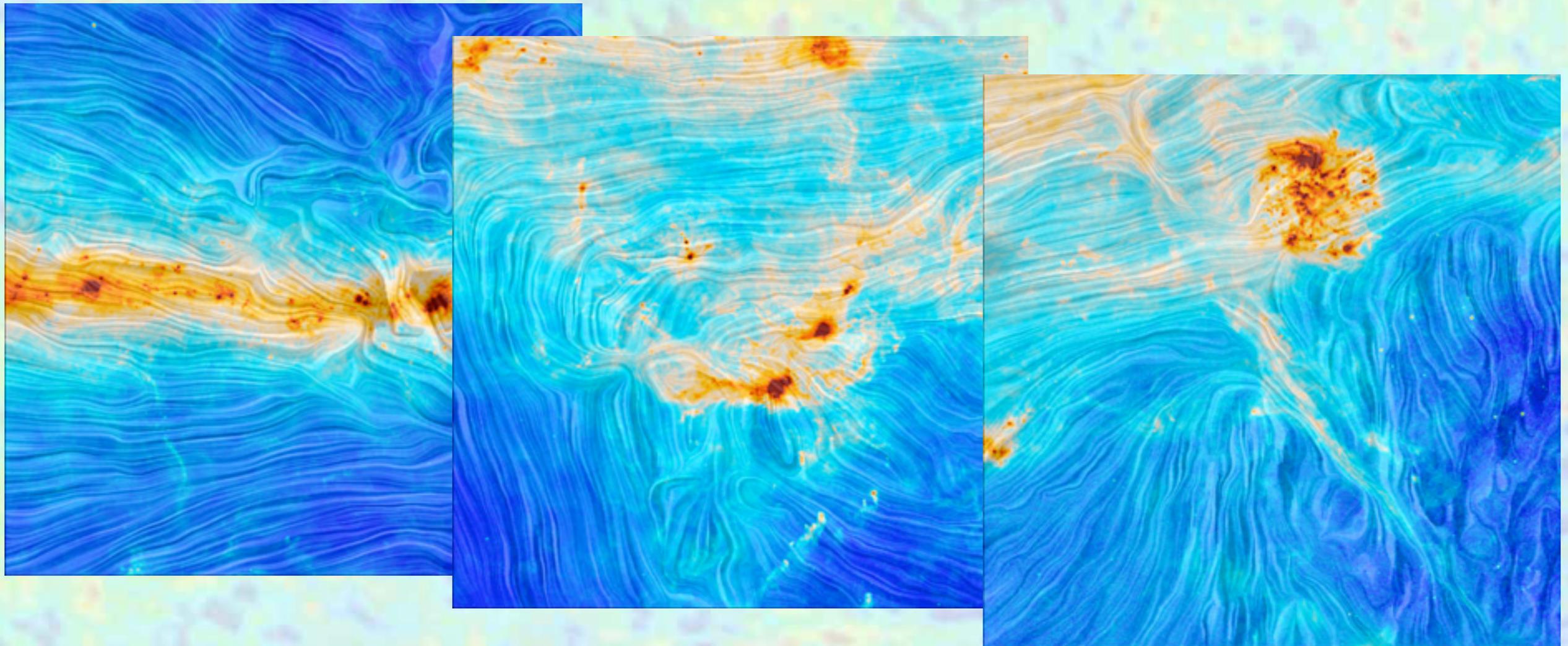
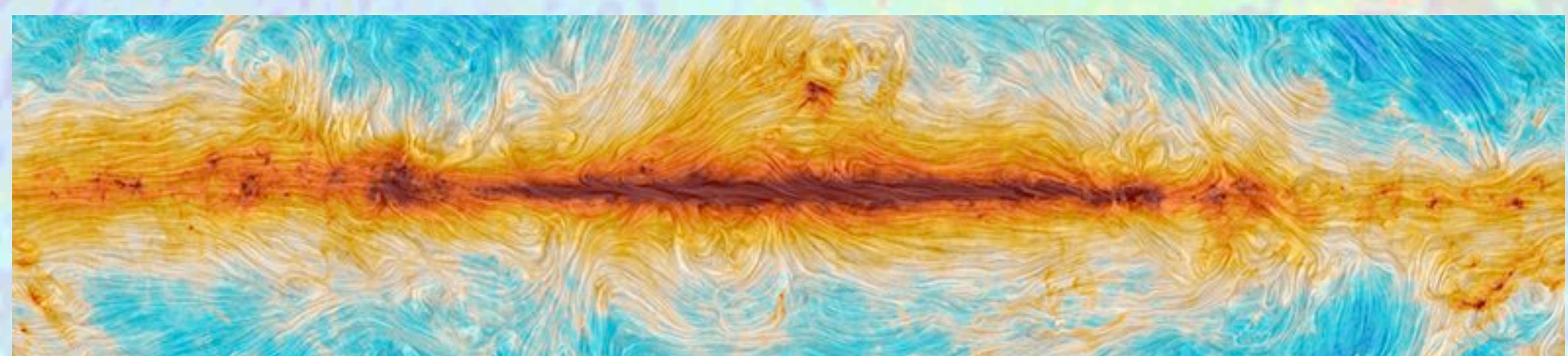
- Archeops detected large scale dust polarization in emission for the first time
- Evidenced large polarization fractions ($>10\%$) at high latitudes



Archeops polarization map @ 353 GHz

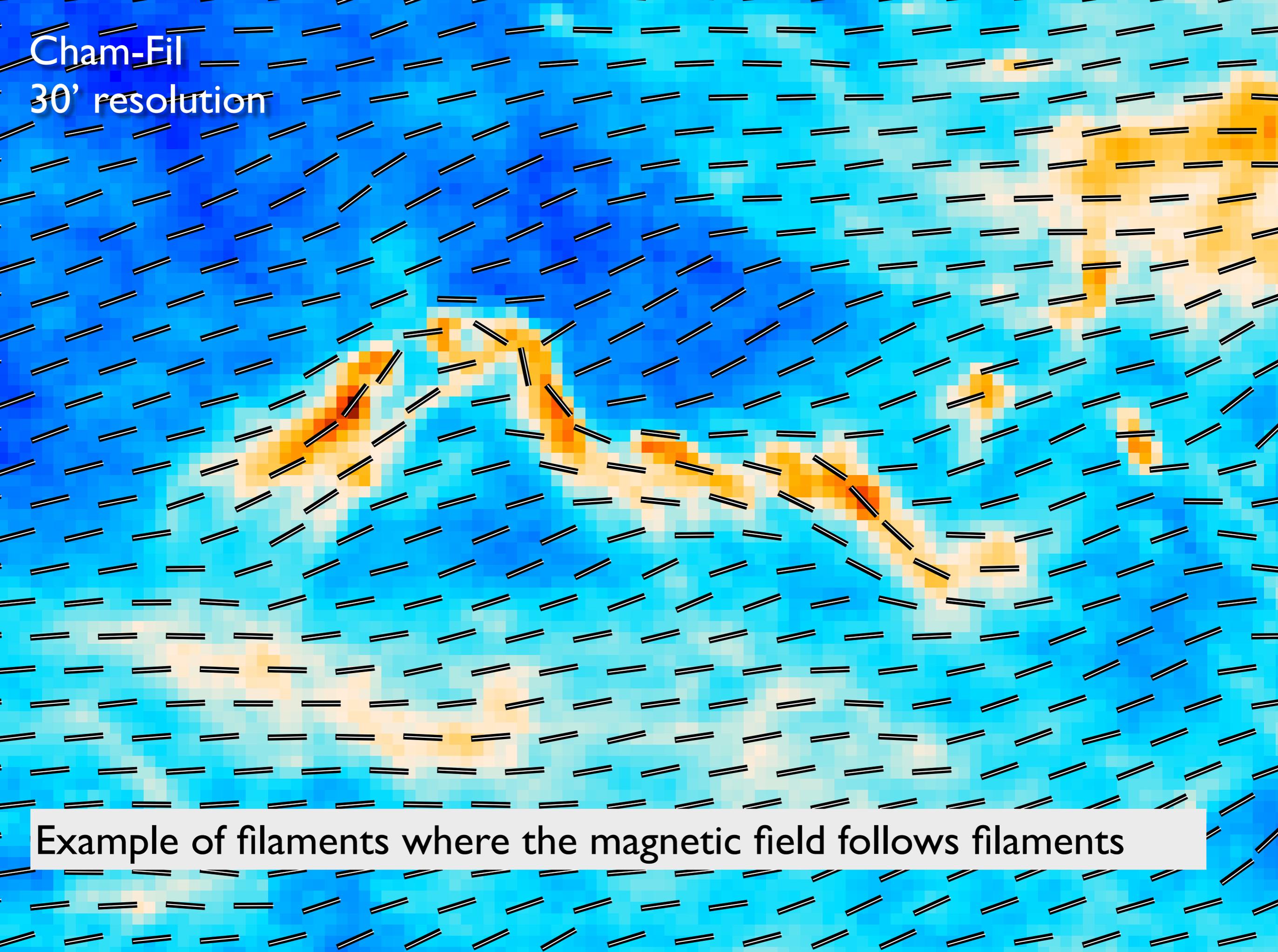
Data from Ponthieu et al. 2005

All sky polarization with Planck



Reveals the structure of the magnetic field

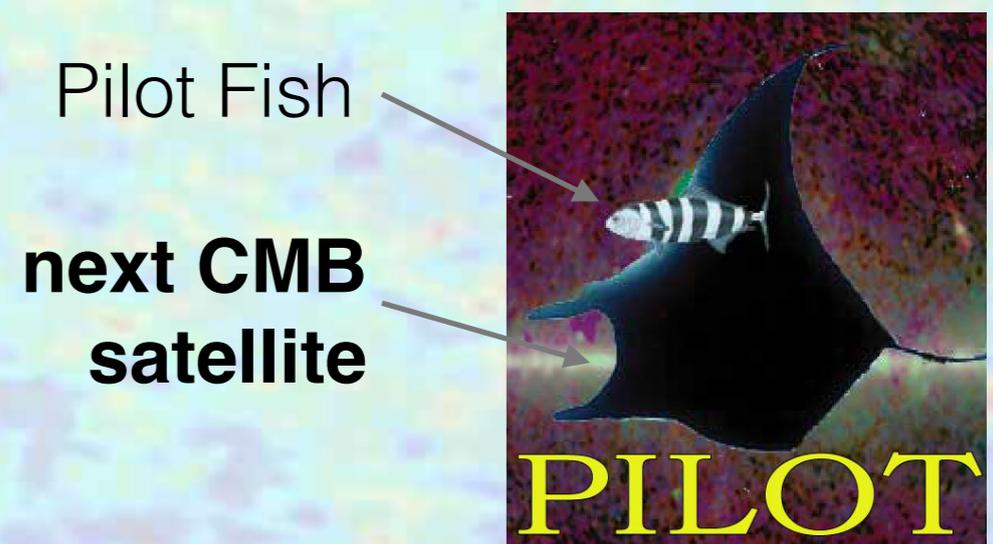
Cham-Fil
30' resolution



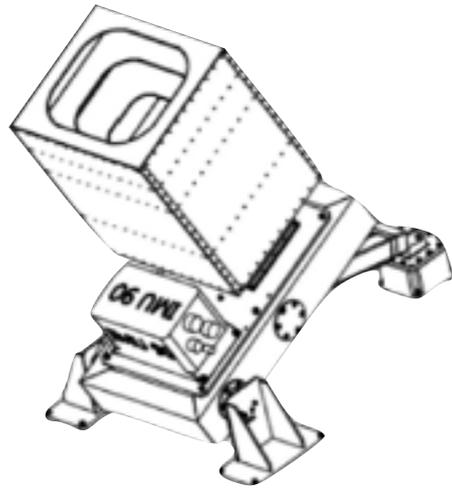
Example of filaments where the magnetic field follows filaments

- **Science Objective:** measure linear polarization of dust emission in the Far-InfraRed
 - Reveal the structure of the magnetic field
 - Geometric and magnetic properties of dust grains
 - Understand Polarized foreground
 - Complement Planck observations at $\lambda < 850 \mu\text{m}$ with better accuracy and higher angular resolution
- **Observations:** Galactic plane ($|b| < 20^\circ$), star forming regions and diffuse Interstellar medium.
- **Characteristics:** $\lambda = 240$ & $550 \mu\text{m}$, resolution: $1.4' - 3'$. Bolometer array with 2048 detectors
- **Weight, Altitude:** ~ 1 ton, 40 km
- **Status:**
 - 1st flight Sept 2015 from Timmins, Canada.
 - 2nd flight April 2017 from Alice Springs, Australia.

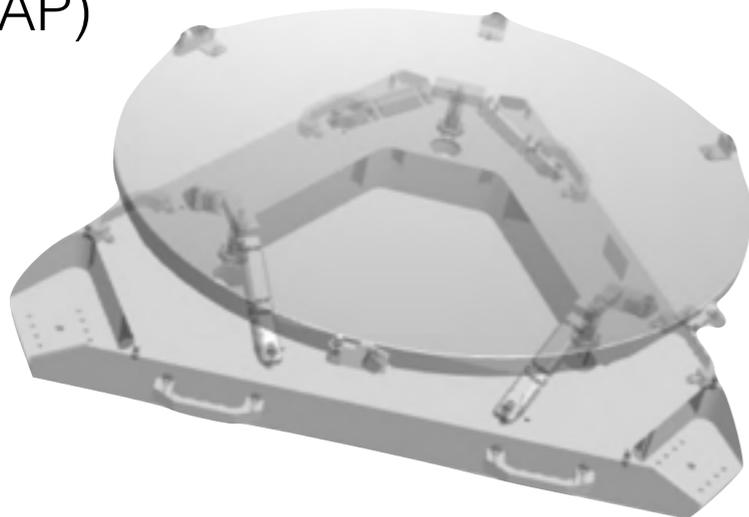
Participations: IRAP, IAS, CEA, CNES
Rome Univ., Cardiff Univ.



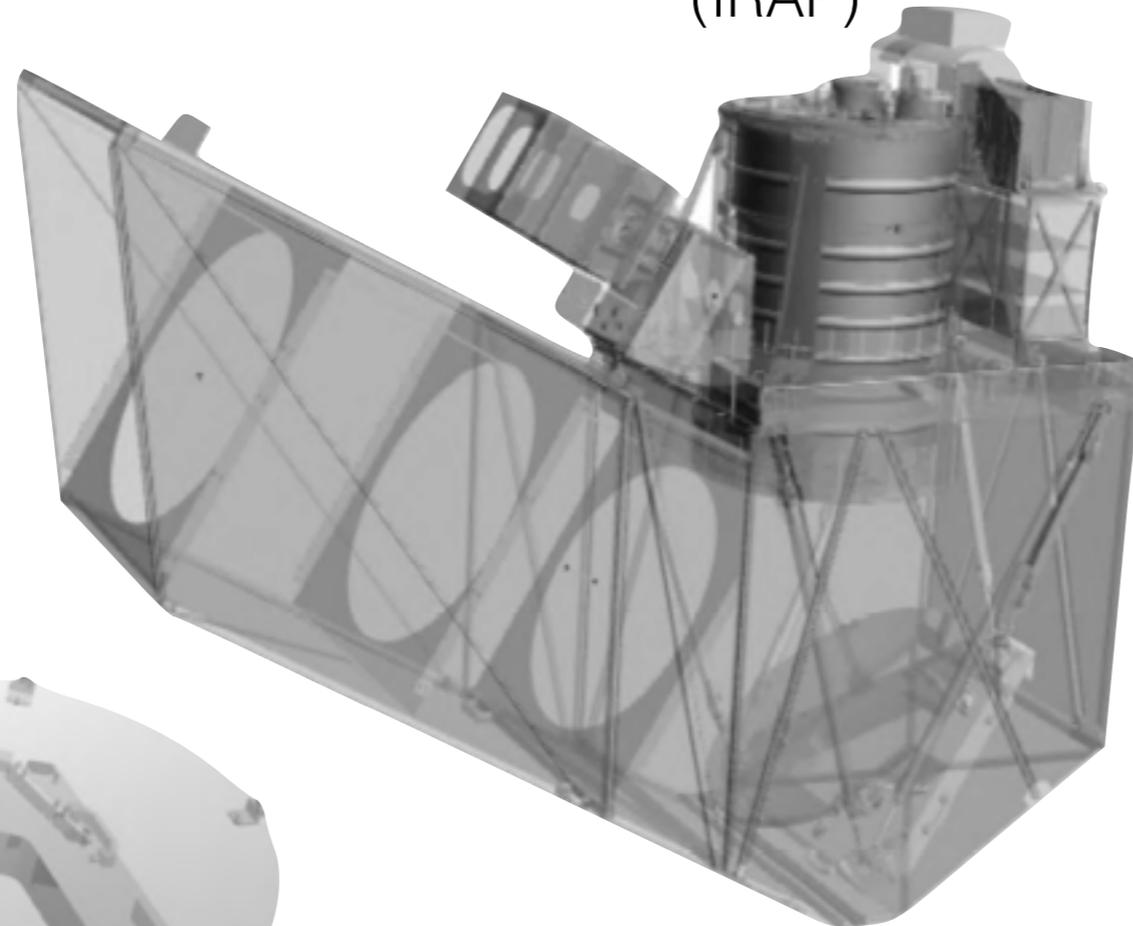
Senseur stellaire
(CNES)



Miroir Primaire
(IRAP)

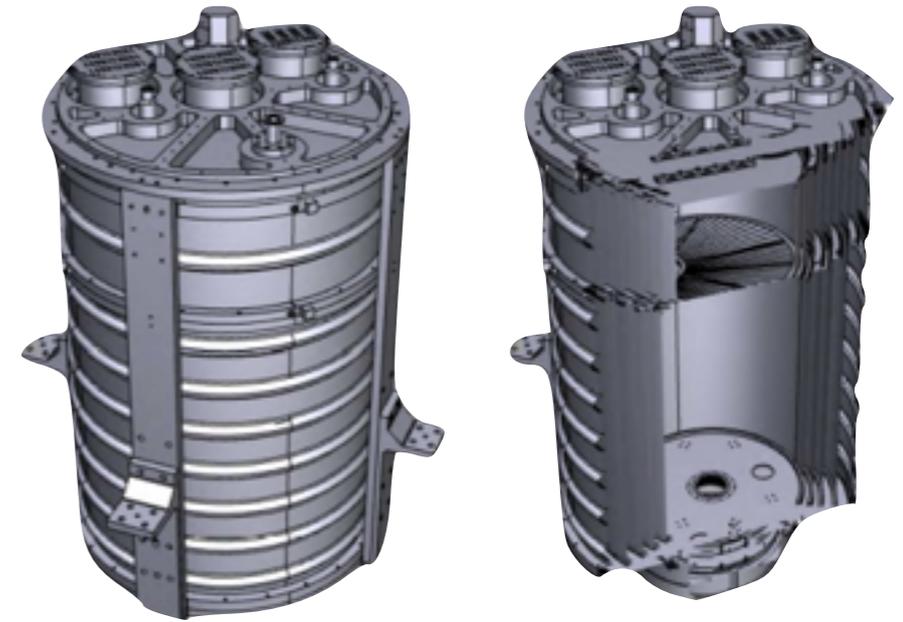


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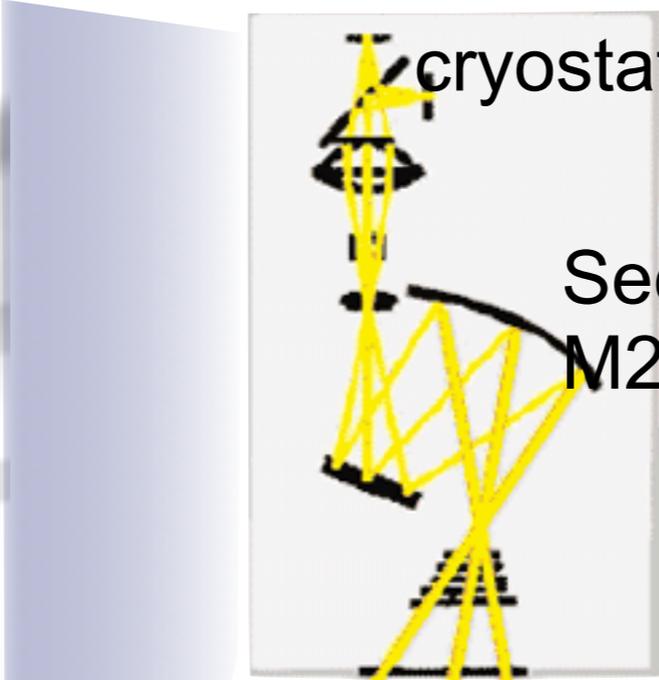
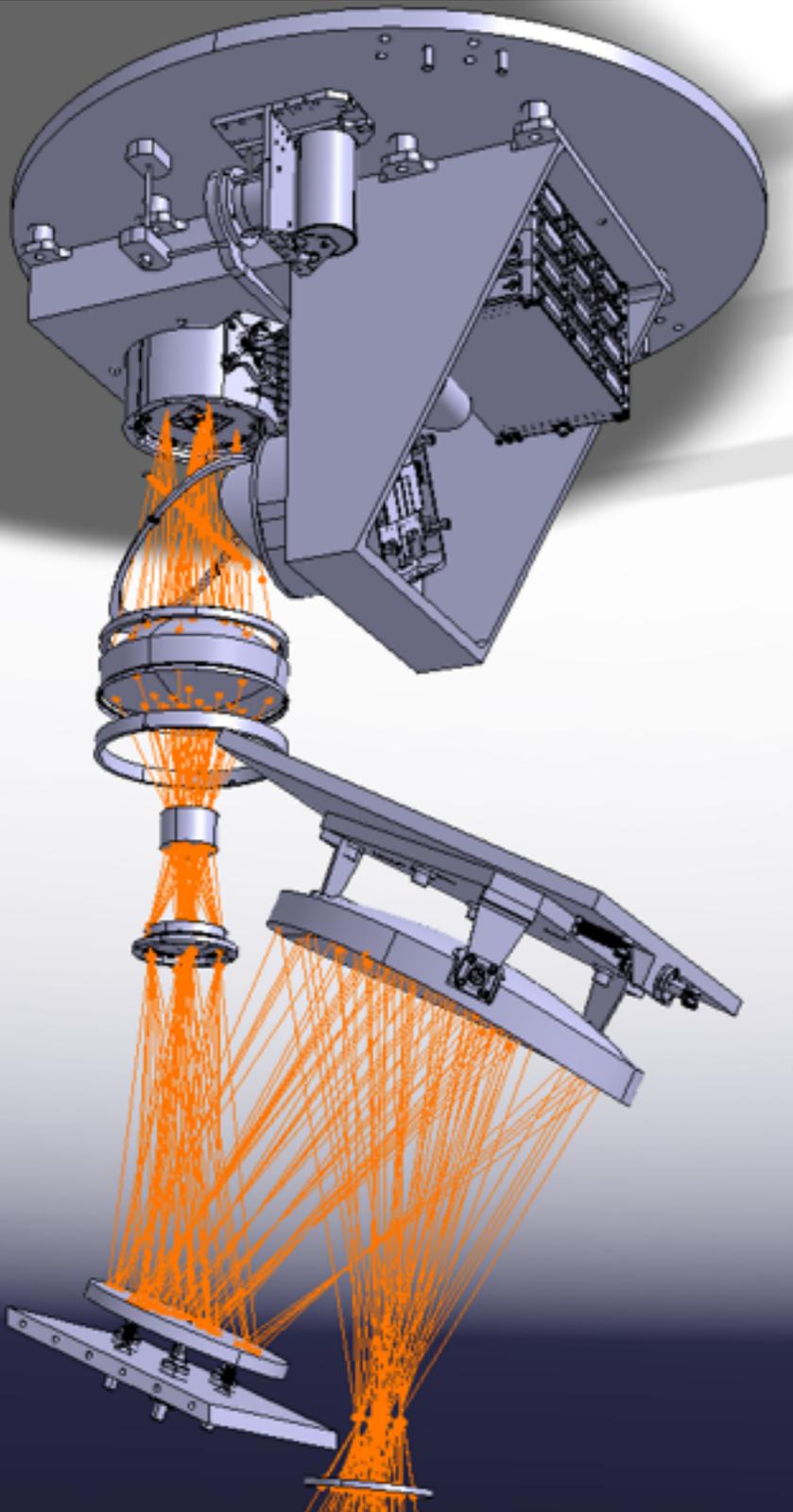


Pointed Load
(IRAP)

Photometer (IAS, Rome Univ., Cardiff univ.)

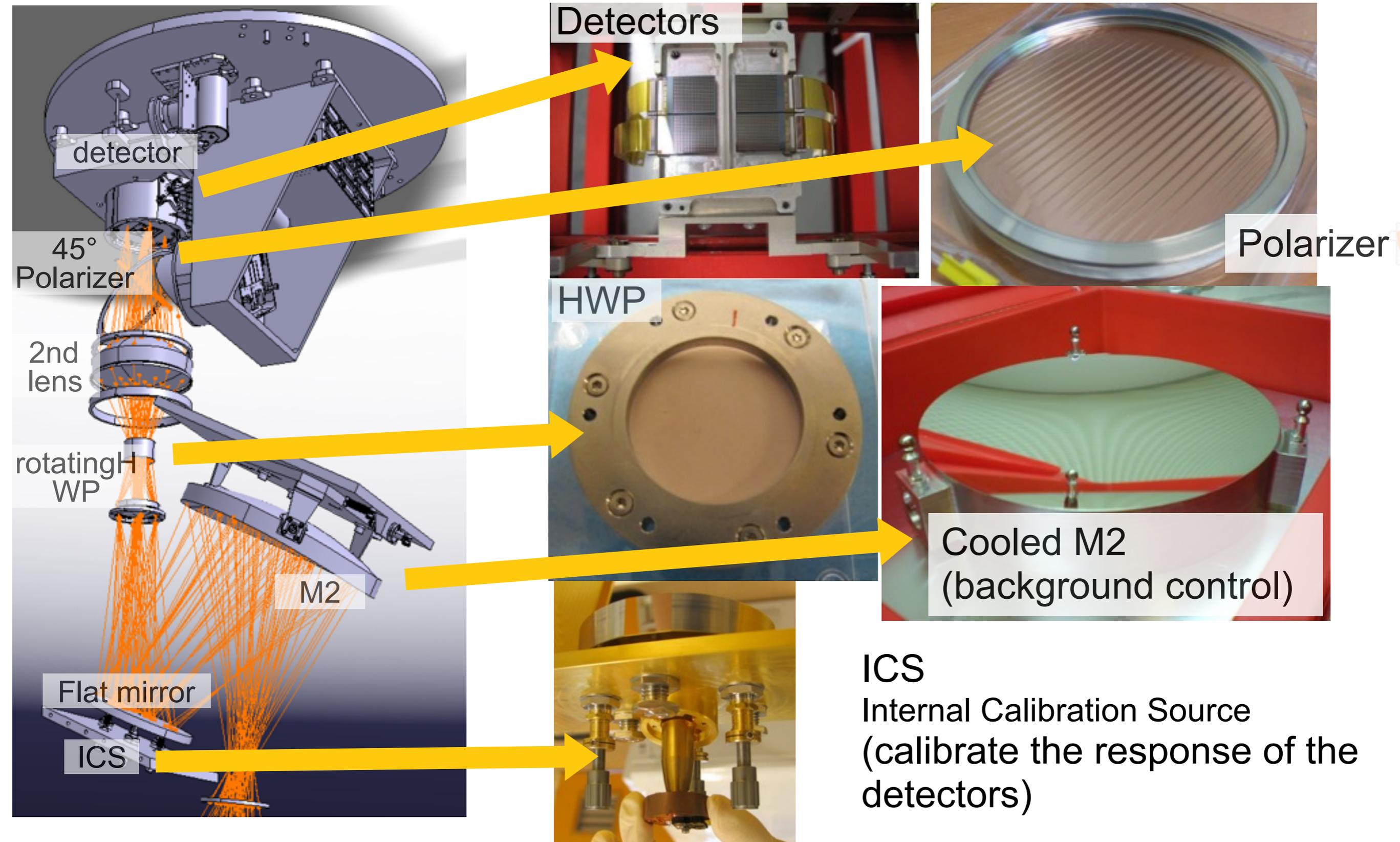


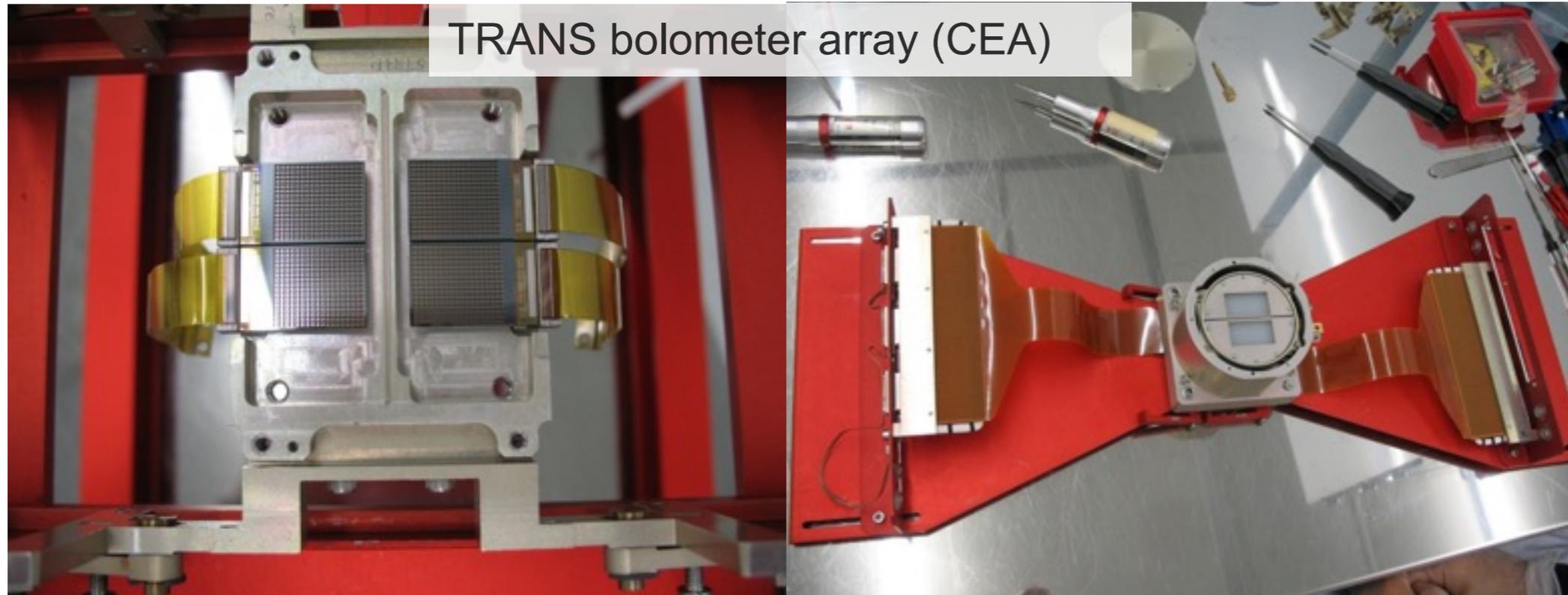
Gondola
(CNES)



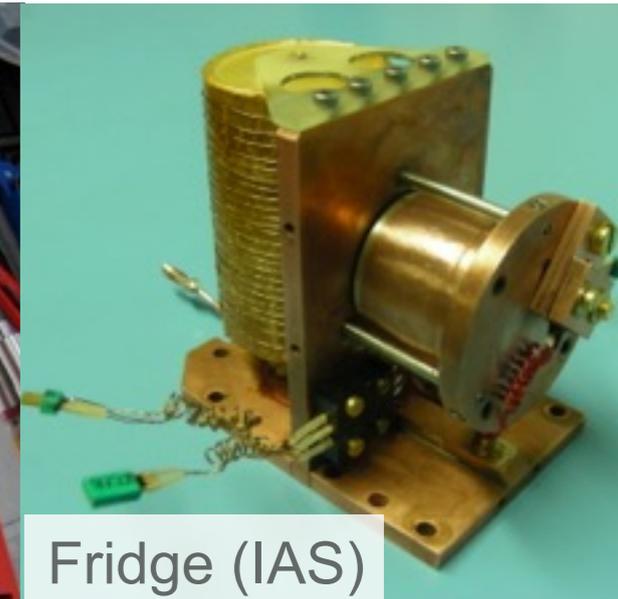
Primary Mirror,
M1, D~1m

- Equivalent Focal length: 1800 mm, F/2.5
- Image quality diffraction limited
- Distortion : < 5%
- Polarization rotation : < 5°
- Tolerance :
translation M1 = ±0.3 mm
rotation M1 = ±0.06°





TRANS bolometer array (CEA)



Fridge (IAS)

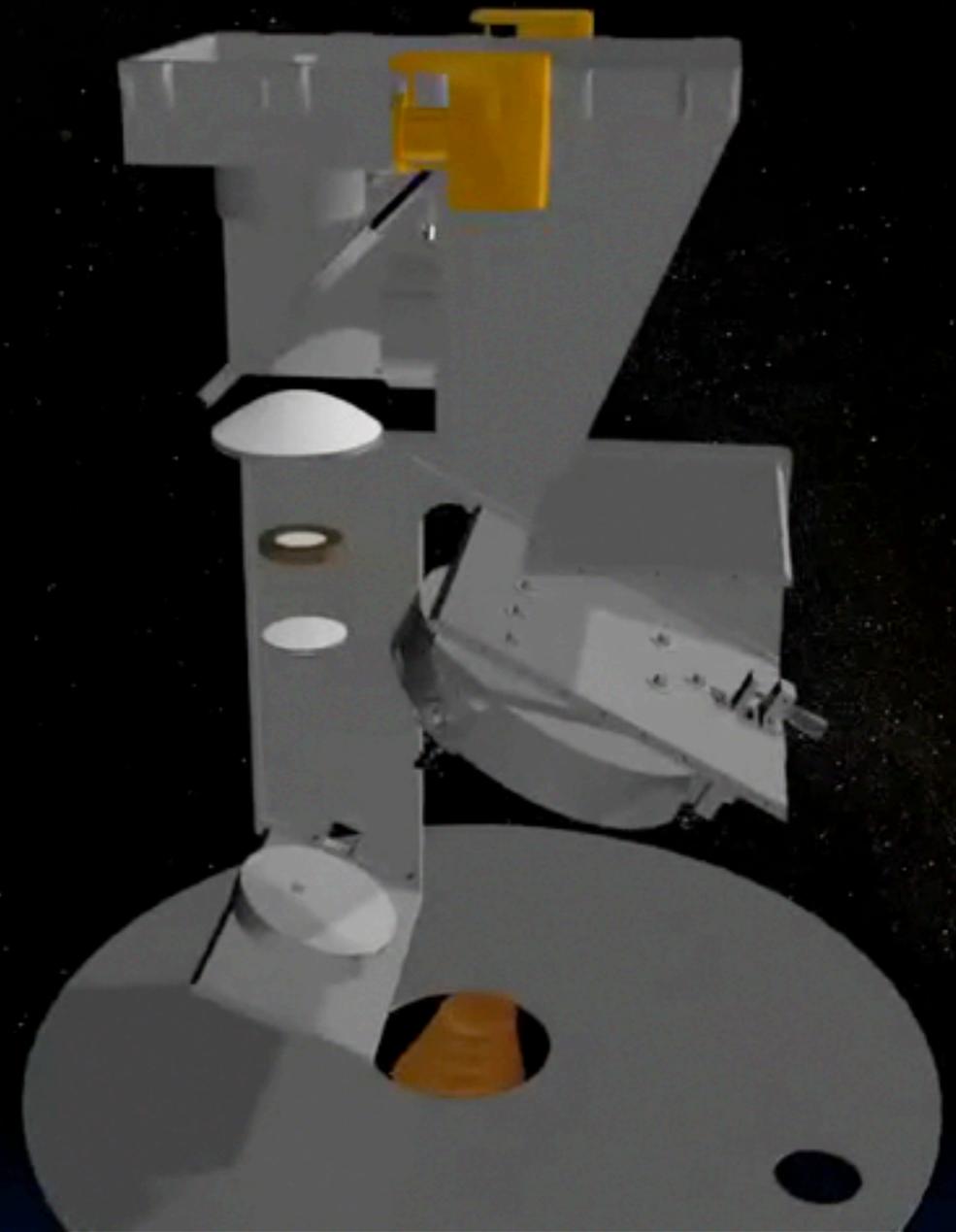
- Bolometer arrays developed by CEA/LETI
- Same technology as used on Herschel PACS
- Multiplexed bolometer arrays with a total of 2048 detectors
- Detectors cooled down to 0.3 K through closed-cycle He3 fridge
- NEP $\sim 2 \times 10^{-16} \text{ W/Hz}^{1/2}$

First flight : All detectors are at 240 μm

PILOT Scanning Strategy



PILOT



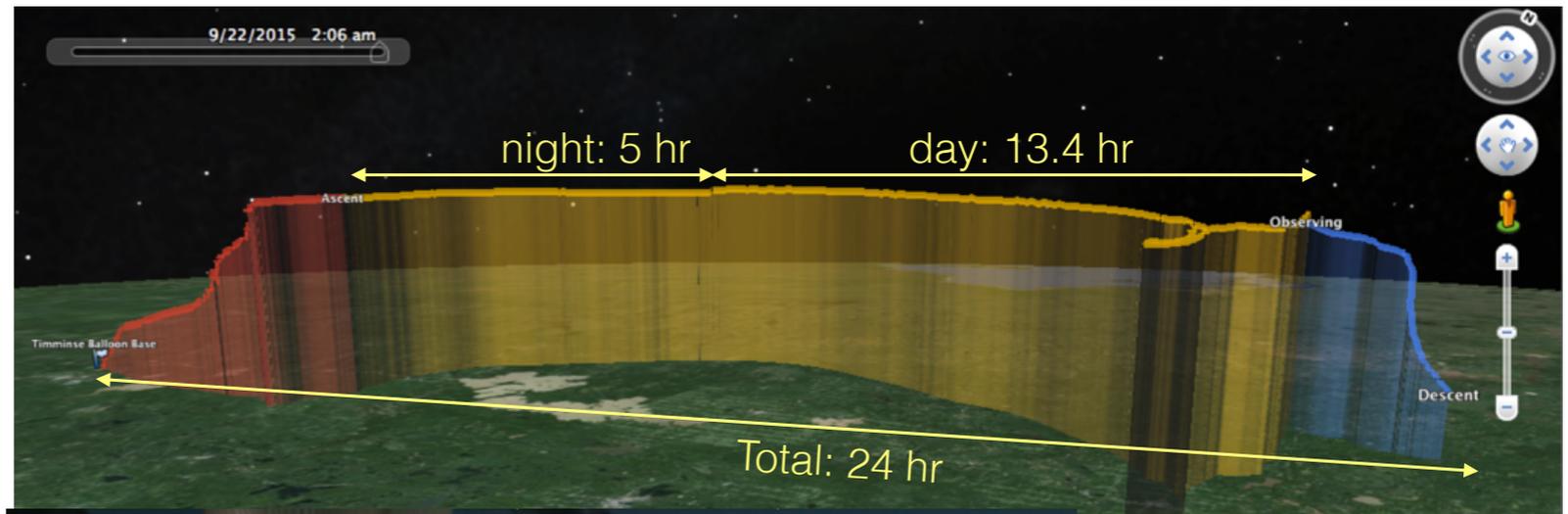
2 successful flights:

- 21 September 2015 Timmins Ontario (Canada)
- 16 April 2017 Alice Springs (Australia)



FLIGHT I:

- Total flight time: 24 h
- Total time at ceiling: 18.4 h
- Ceiling altitude: 40 Km
- Scientific data: 14.8 h



Flight I data accuracy affected by unexpected stray light due to baffle deterioration

April 16 2017



FLIGHT2:
April 16 2017

Alice-Springs Australia

- Total flight time: 33.5 h
- Ceiling altitude: 32-40 Km
- Scientific data: 23.8 h



Perfect landing!



The PILOT team



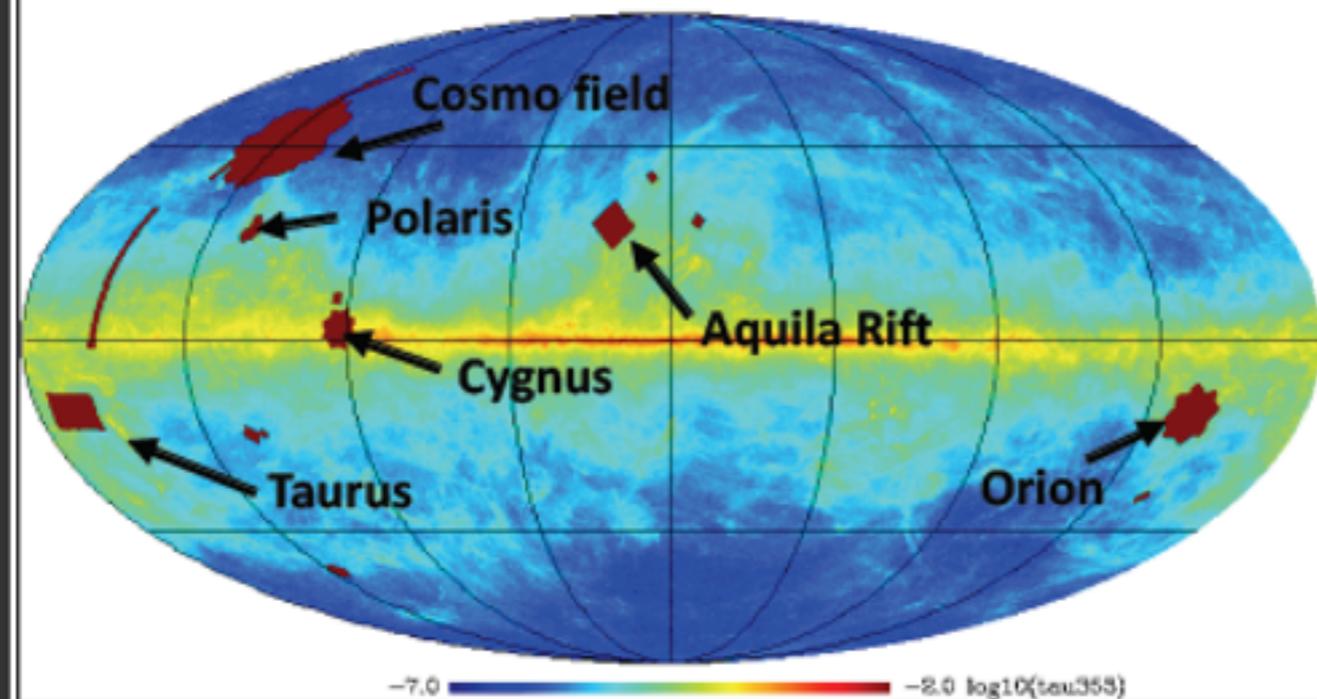
PILOT was recovered 836 km east of Alice Spring in a desert area

PILOT observations

Flight 1

Observation	Time (hour)
Galaxies	1.4
Star forming regions	5.5
Cold cores	2.4
Deep fields	4.6
Calibrations	1

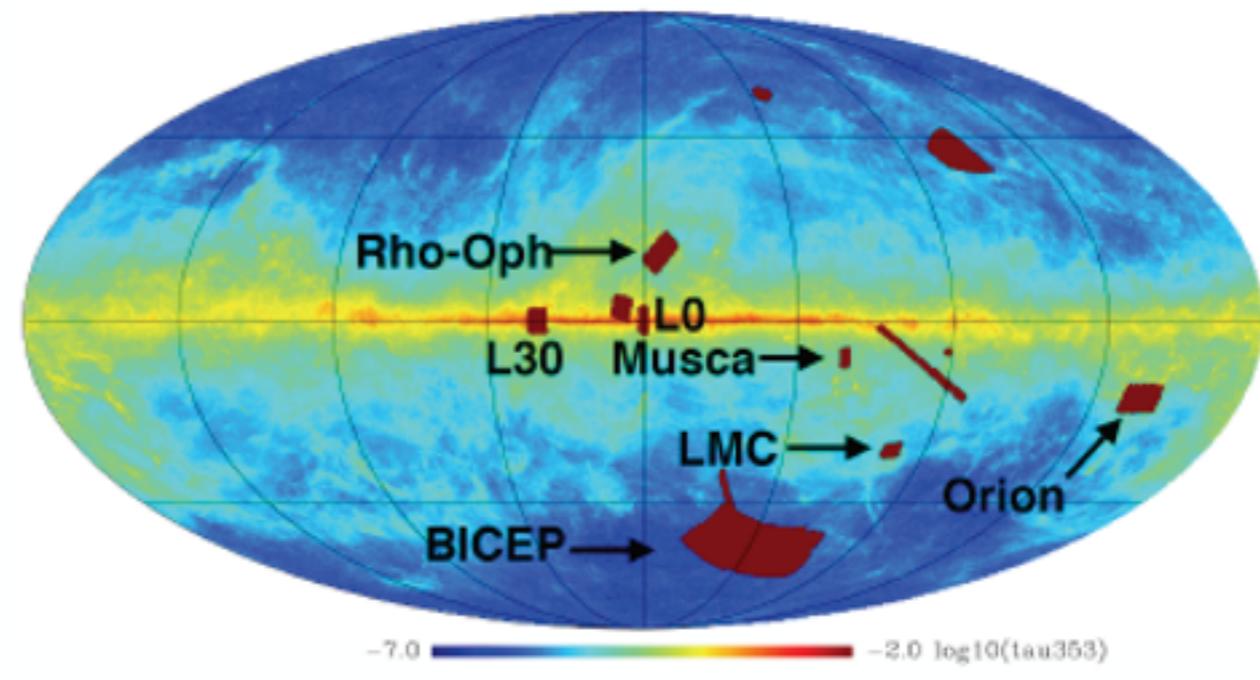
Observed Regions +tau353 (Galactic coordinates)



Flight 2

Observation	Time (hour)
Galaxies	6
Star forming regions	10
Galactic plane	1.5
Deep fields	5
Calibrations	1

Observed Regions + tau353 (Galactic coordinates)



PILOT First Flight

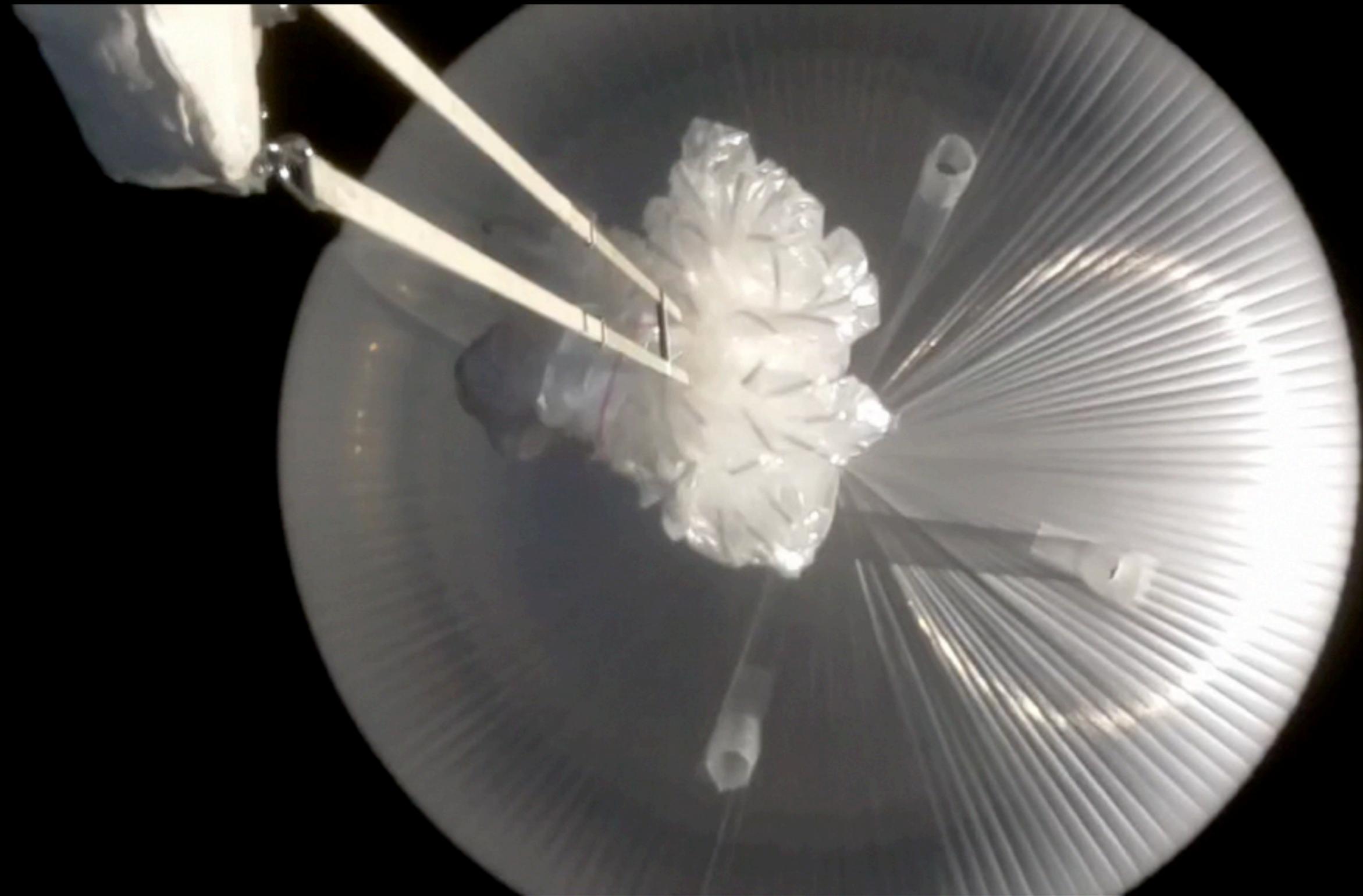


Sept 21st 2015, Timmins, CA

PILOT Flight#1 ceiling

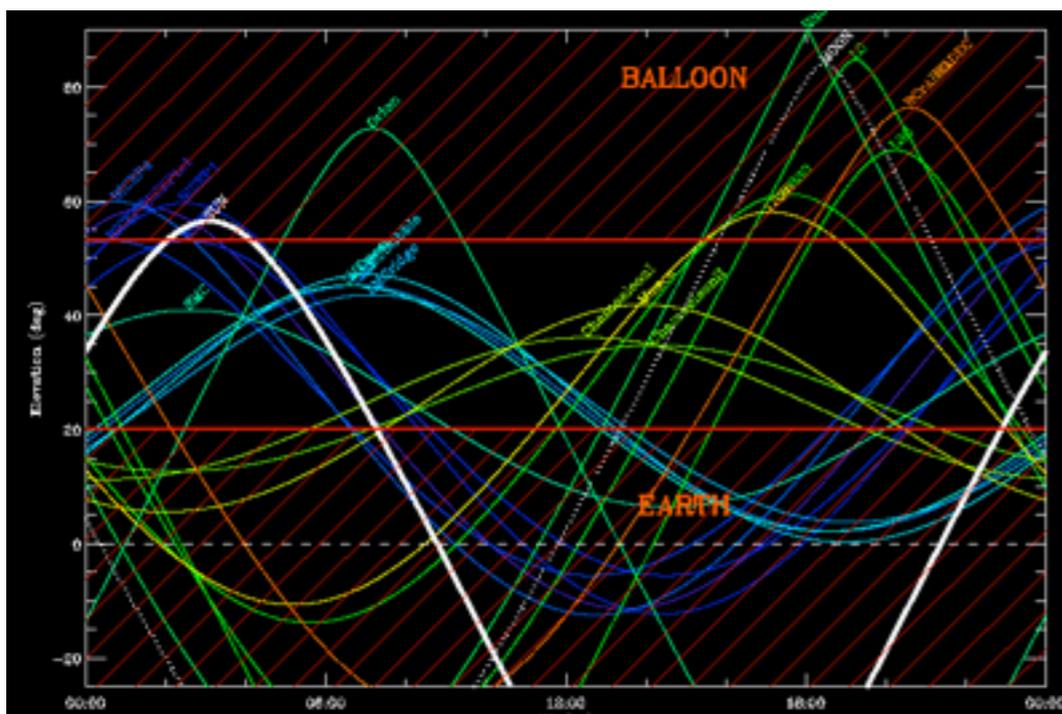
End of day





Flight plans elaboration

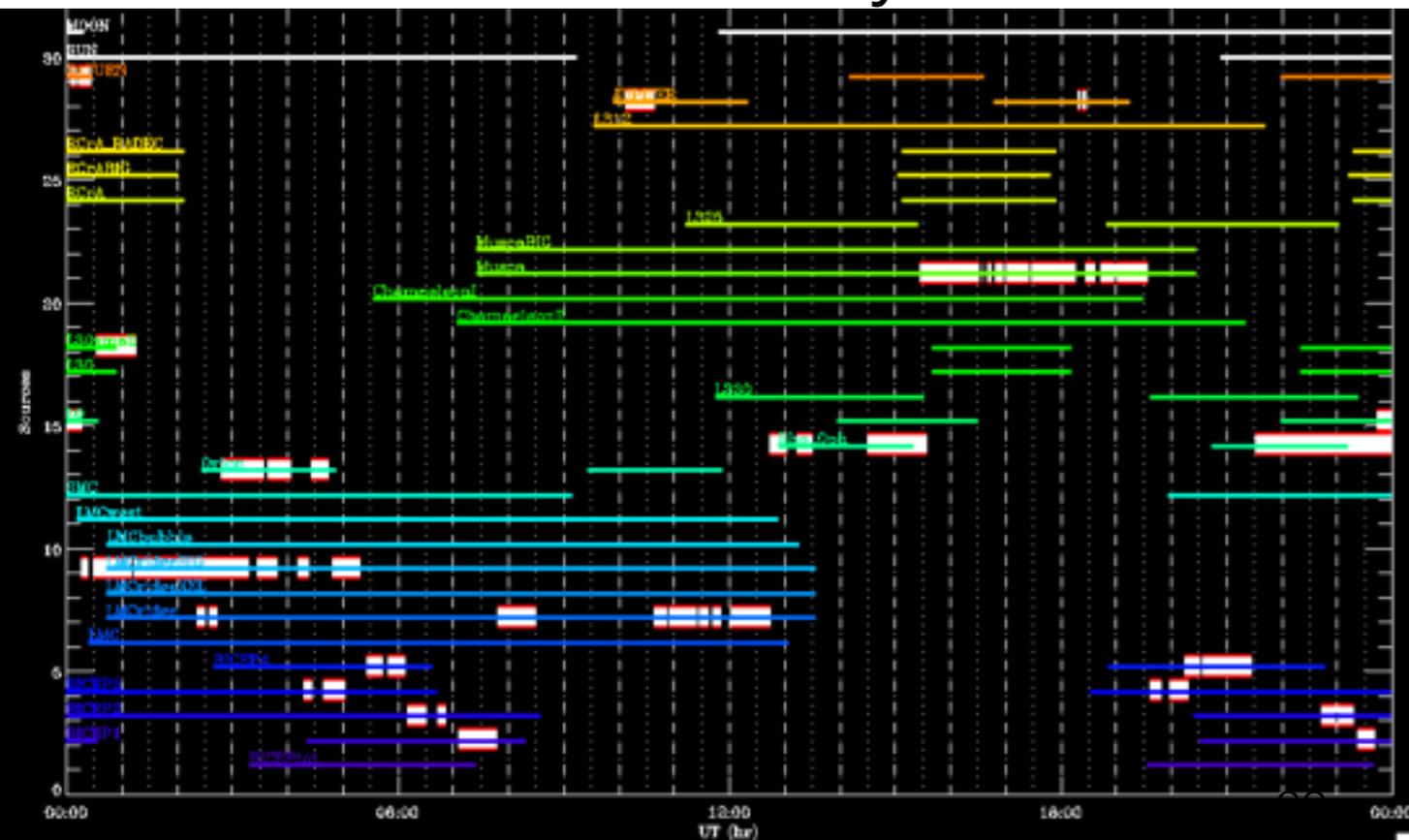
Sources transits



Flight Plan Editor

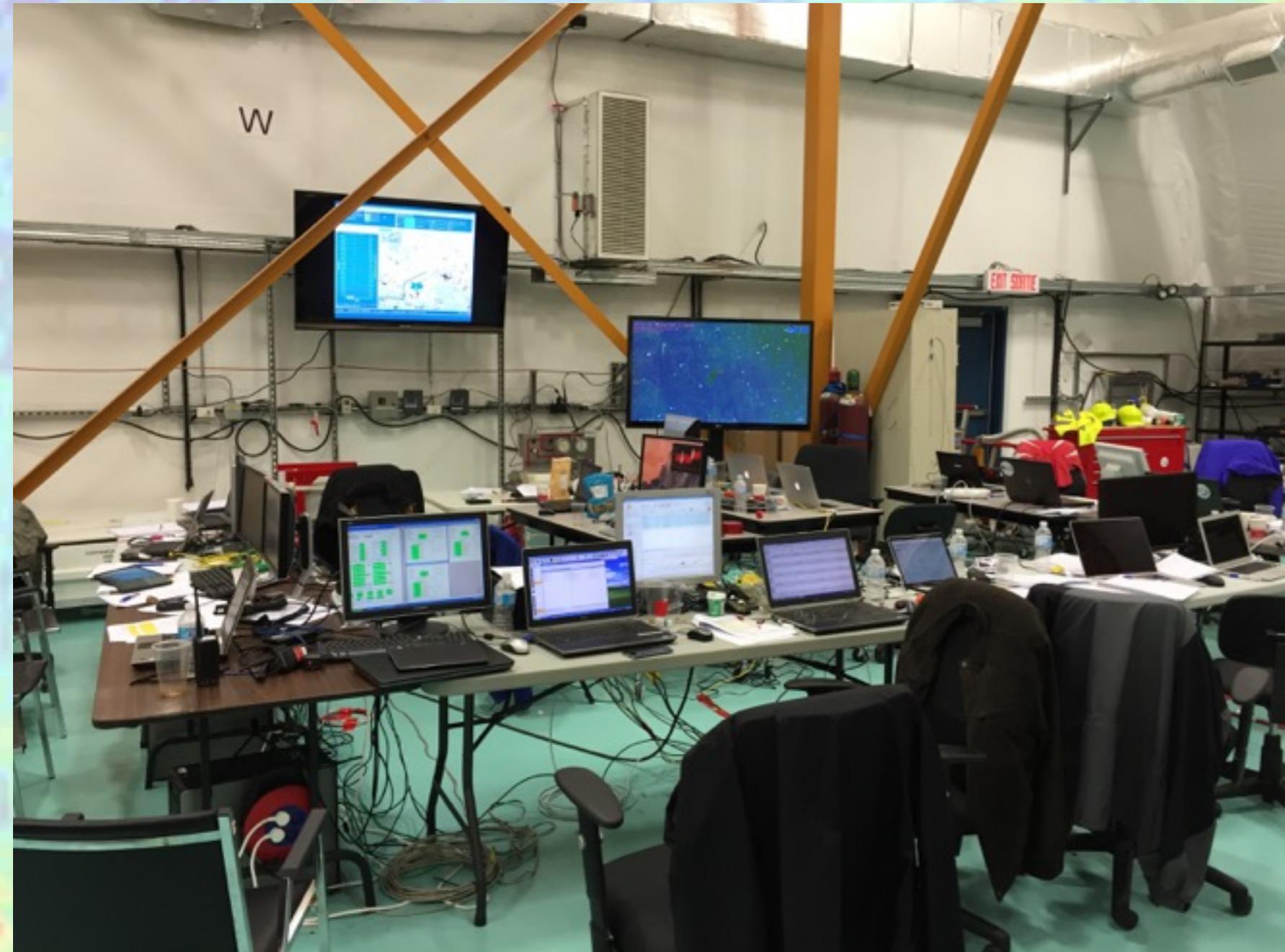


Sources observability



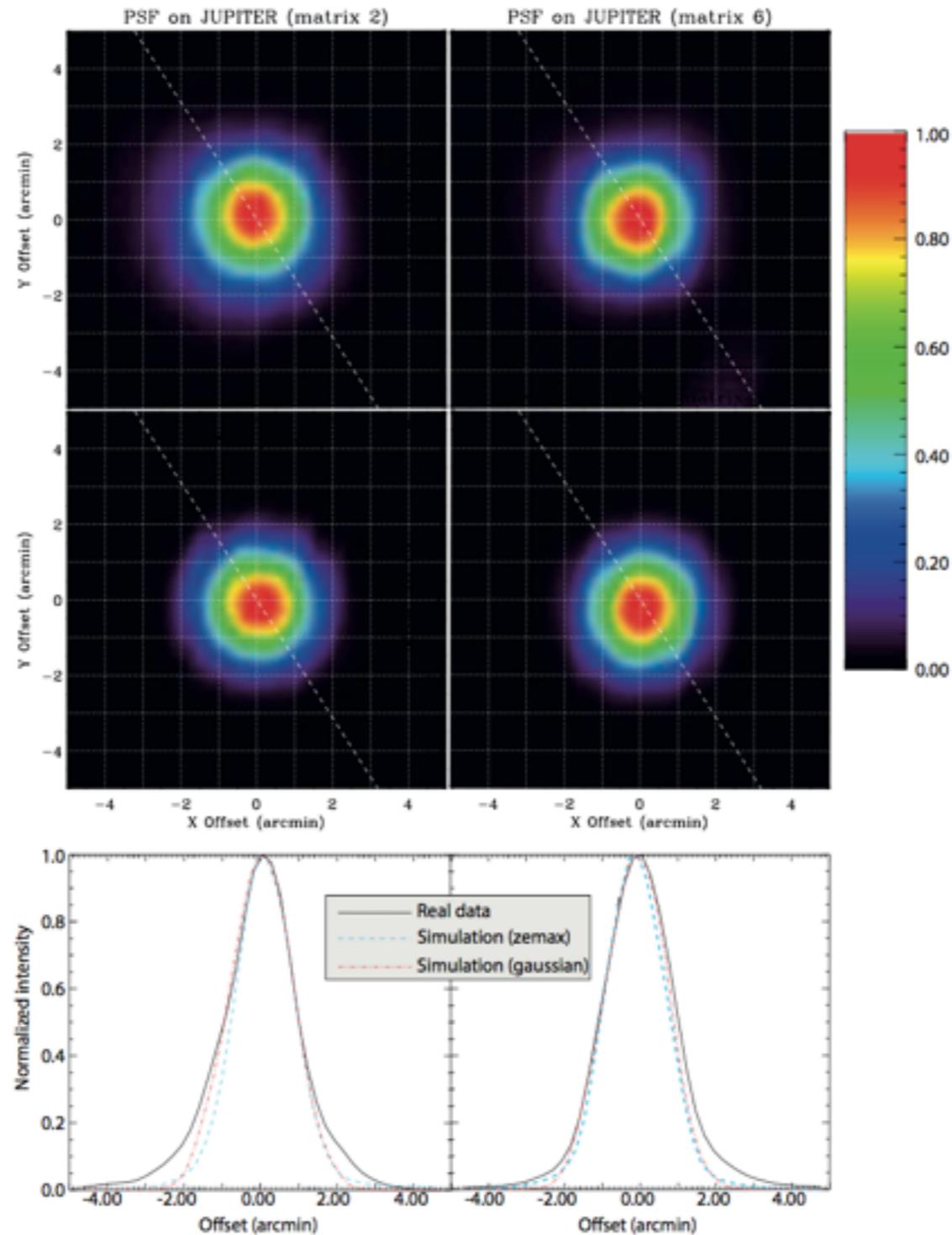
A scheduling tool allowing for a moving observatory in the stratosphere, and observational constraints

PILOT en mode auto-pilote



In-flight Jupiter PSF

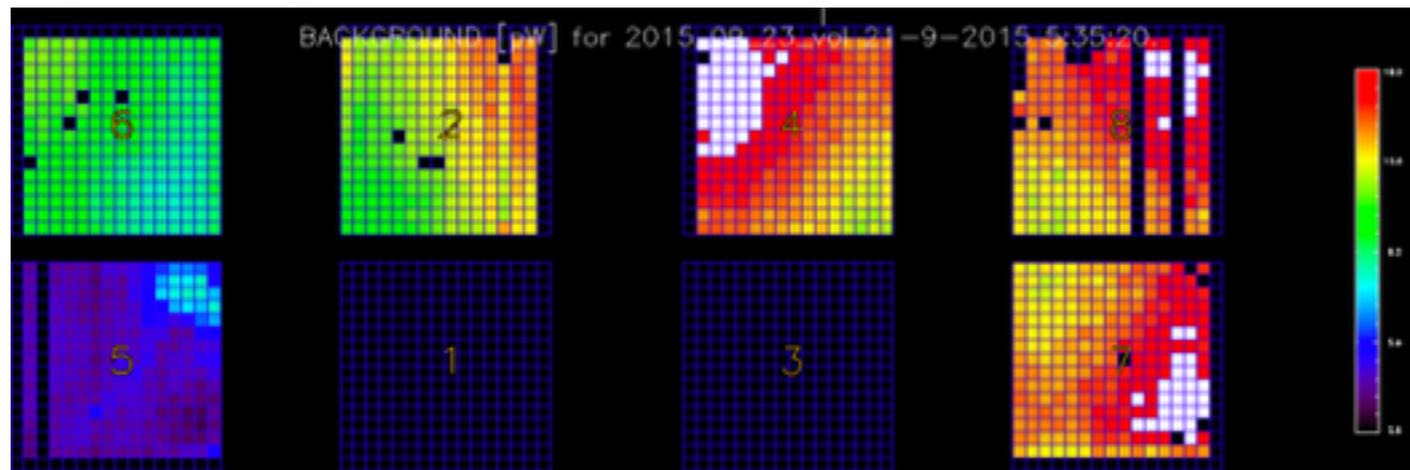
Simulations



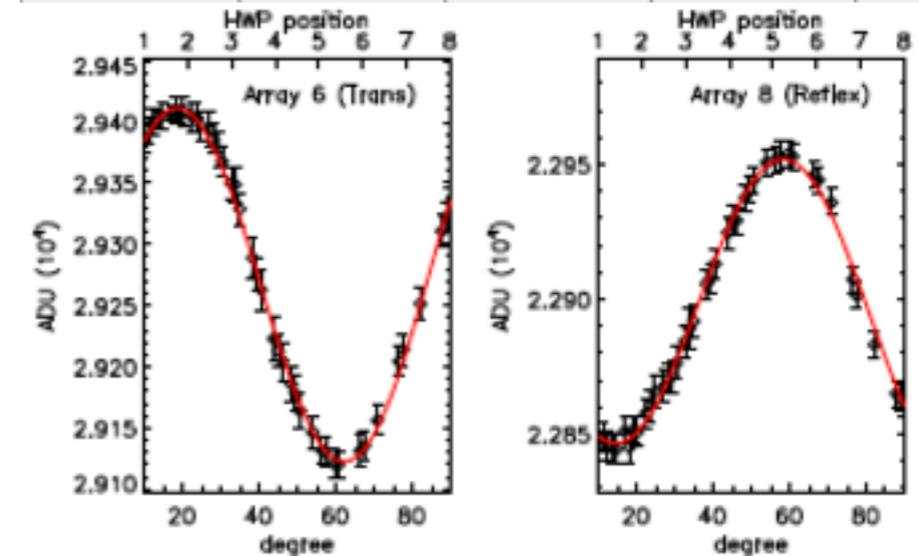
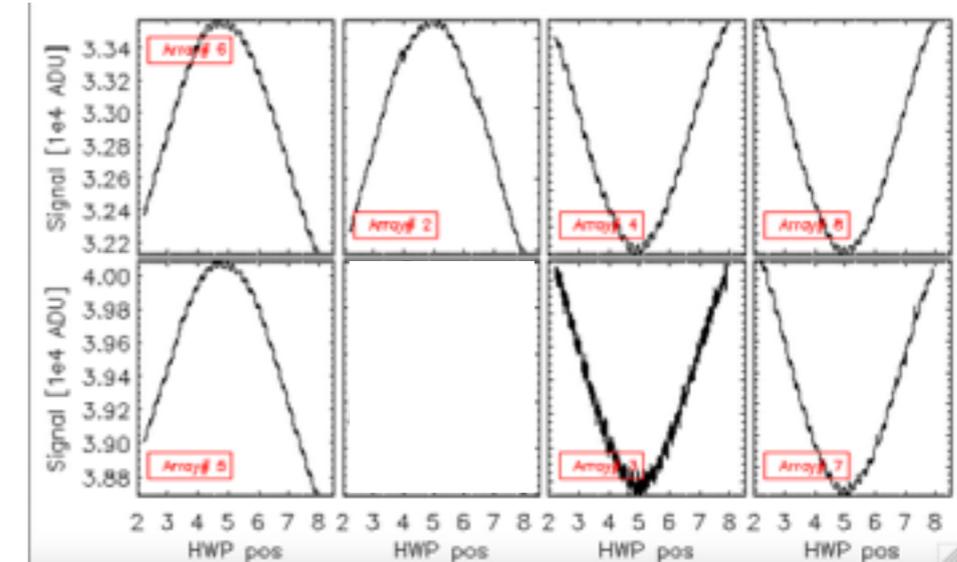
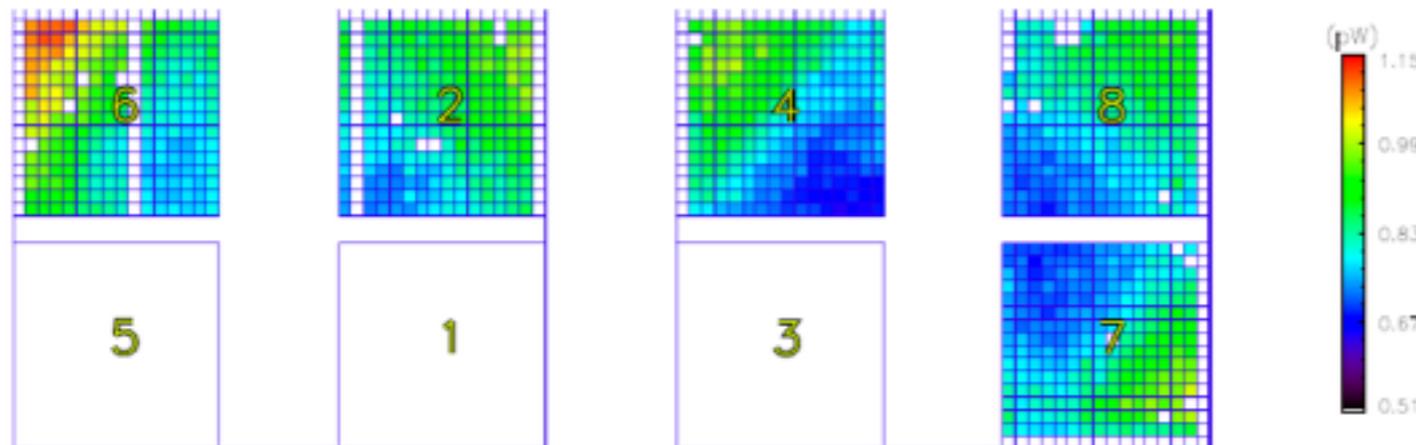
- In-flight measured PSF on Jupiter is $2.25' \pm 0.15$, sims $2.31' \pm 0.07$
- In-flight good optical quality and nominal resolution

In-flight performances : instrumental Background

In-flight Background



Ground Background

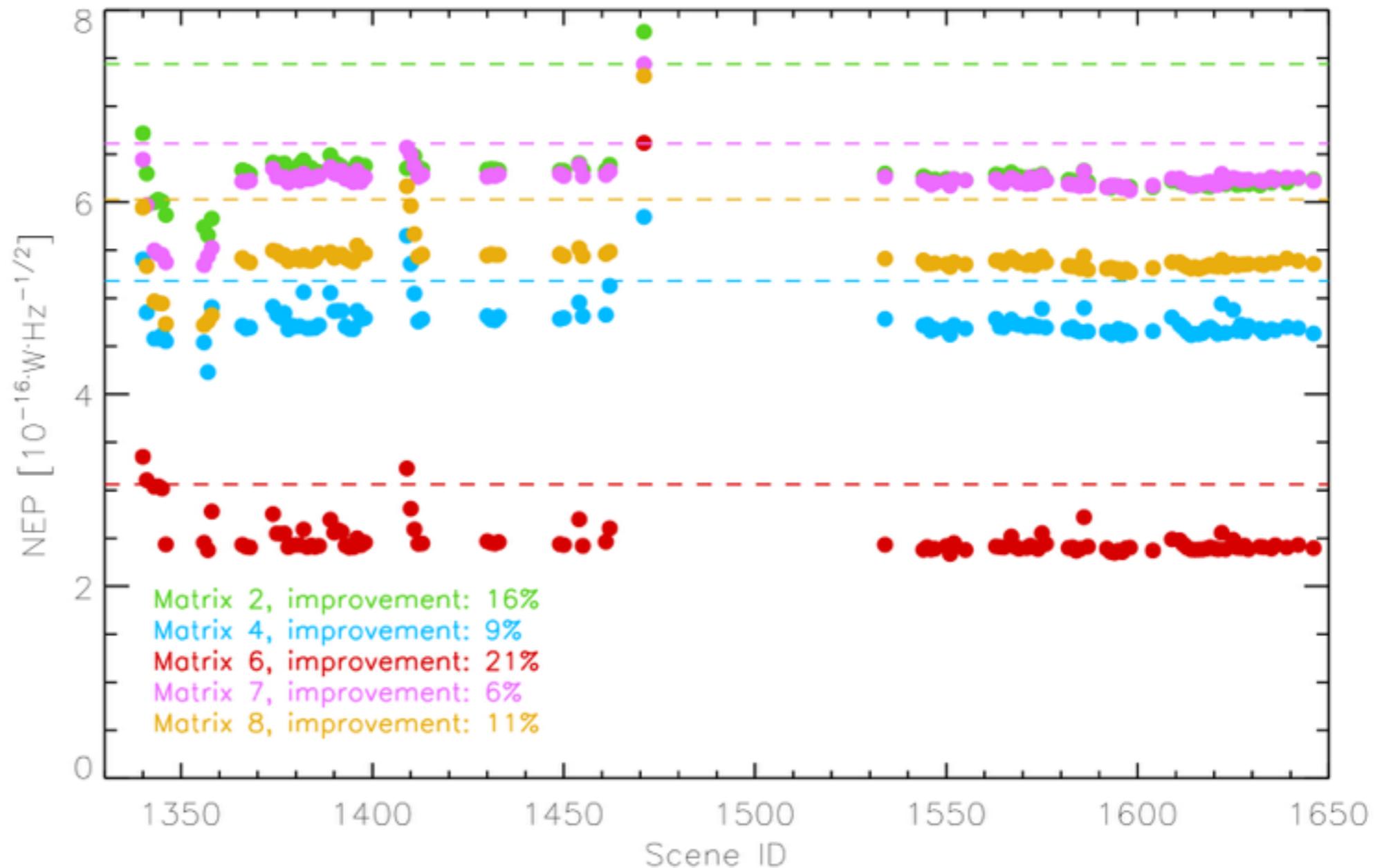


- In-flight background has a similar shape but is a factor ~ 2 stronger than expected
- The background is polarized at 4-10% level. Origin not understood. Unimportant for PILOT observations thanks to fixed HWP and Internal calibration but important for some future applications.
- A similar behavior has been observed in many polarization FIR/submm instruments

In-Flight Noise properties

Flight#1
(321-325 mK)

Flight#2
305 mK



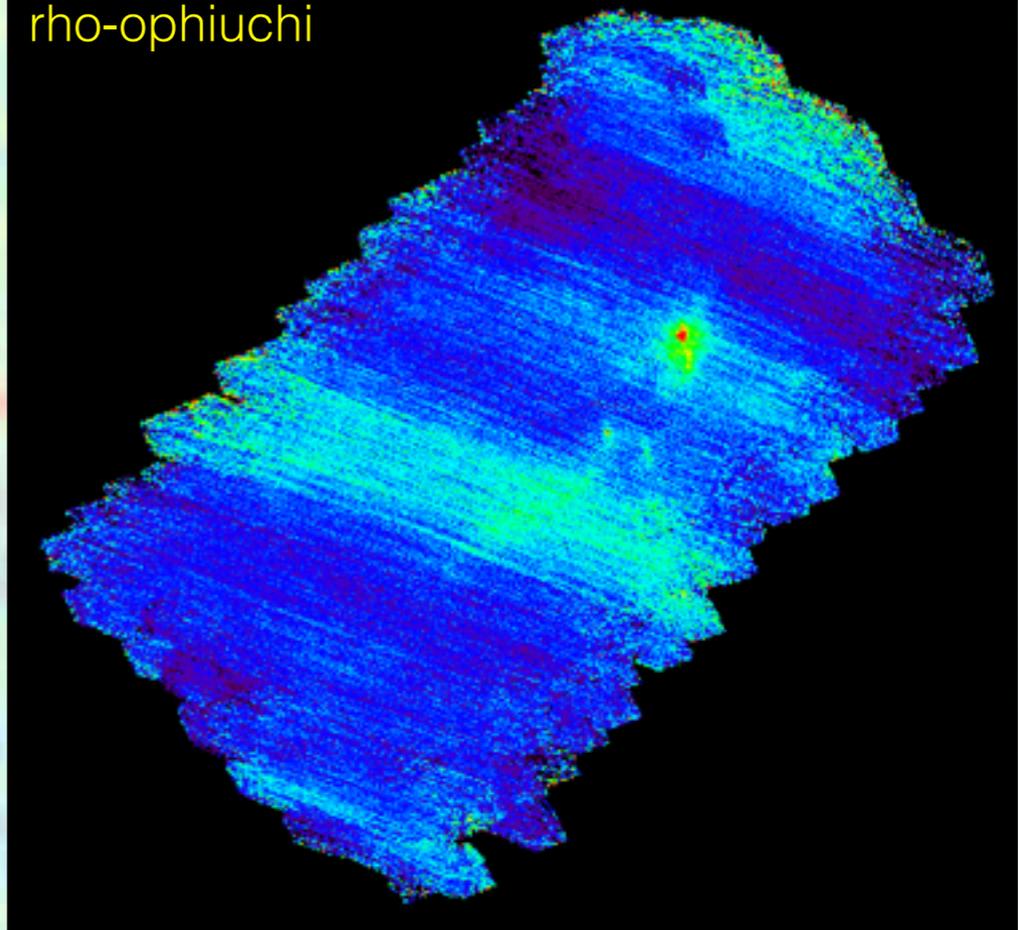
detectors were operated close to 300 mK
high frequency noise is 13% better than in flight #1
(equivalent to 26% more integration time)

Real-Time data check



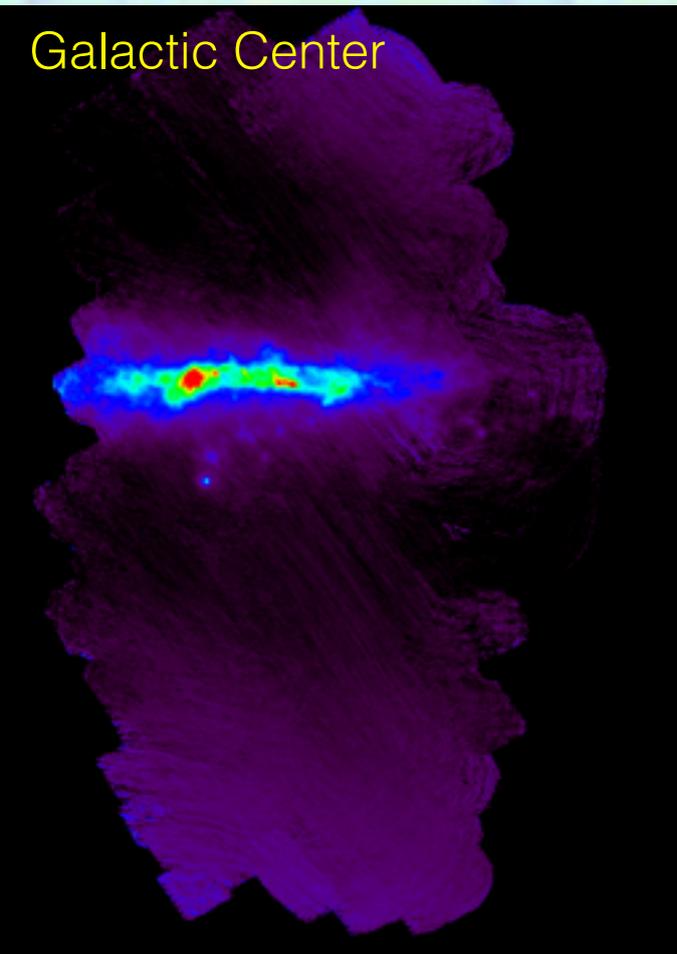
Example
raw maps:

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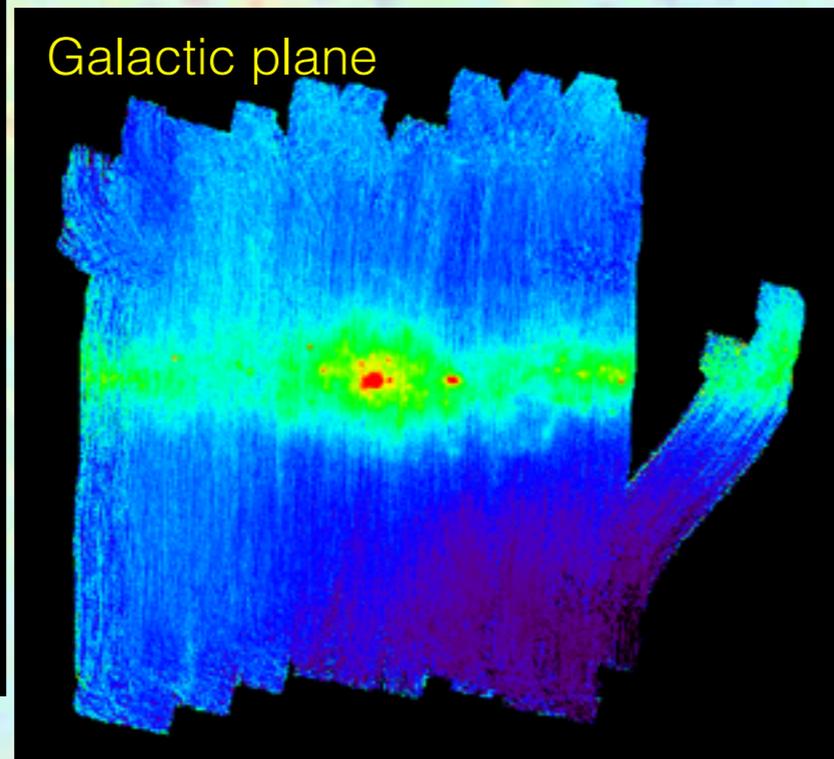


The signal is already much
better than for flight#1

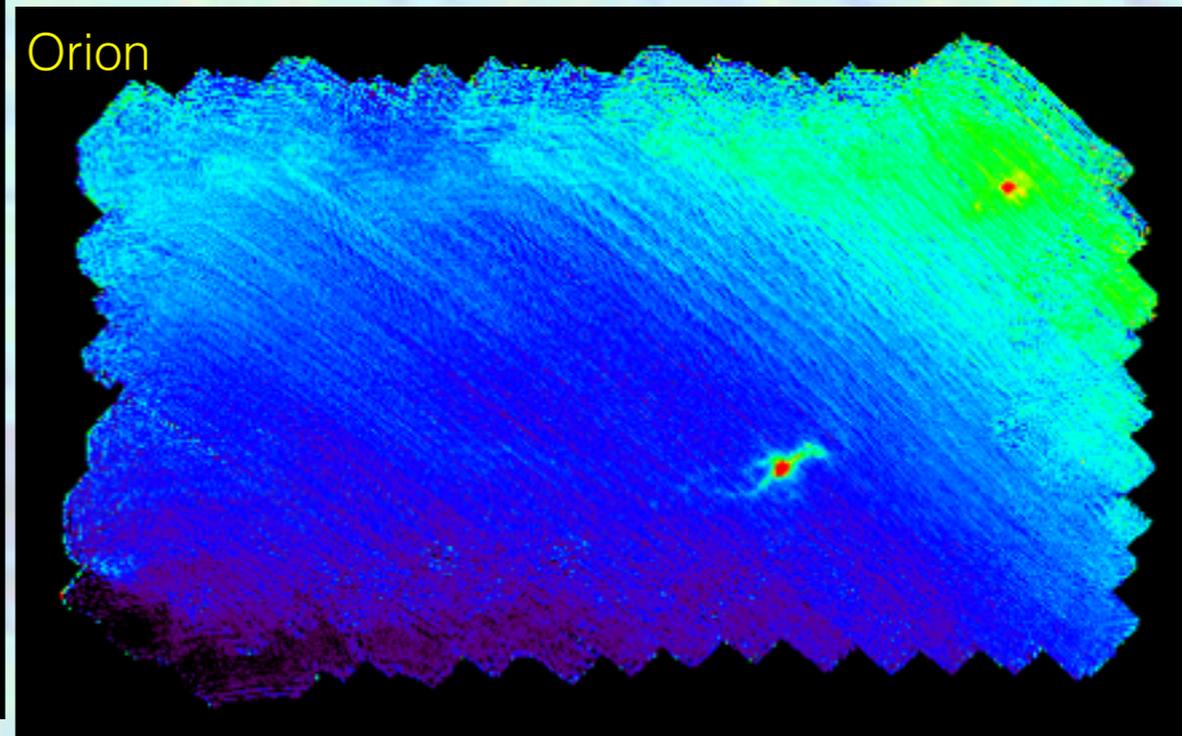
Galactic Center



Galactic plane



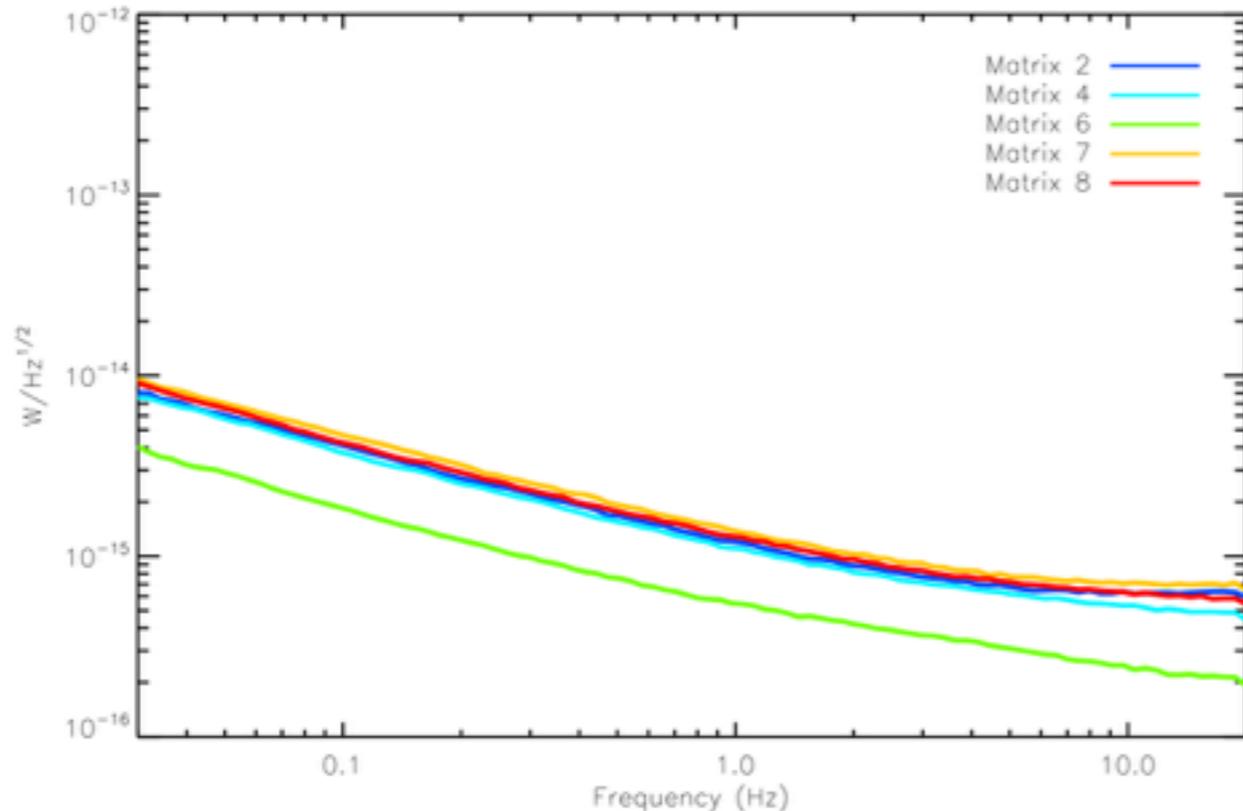
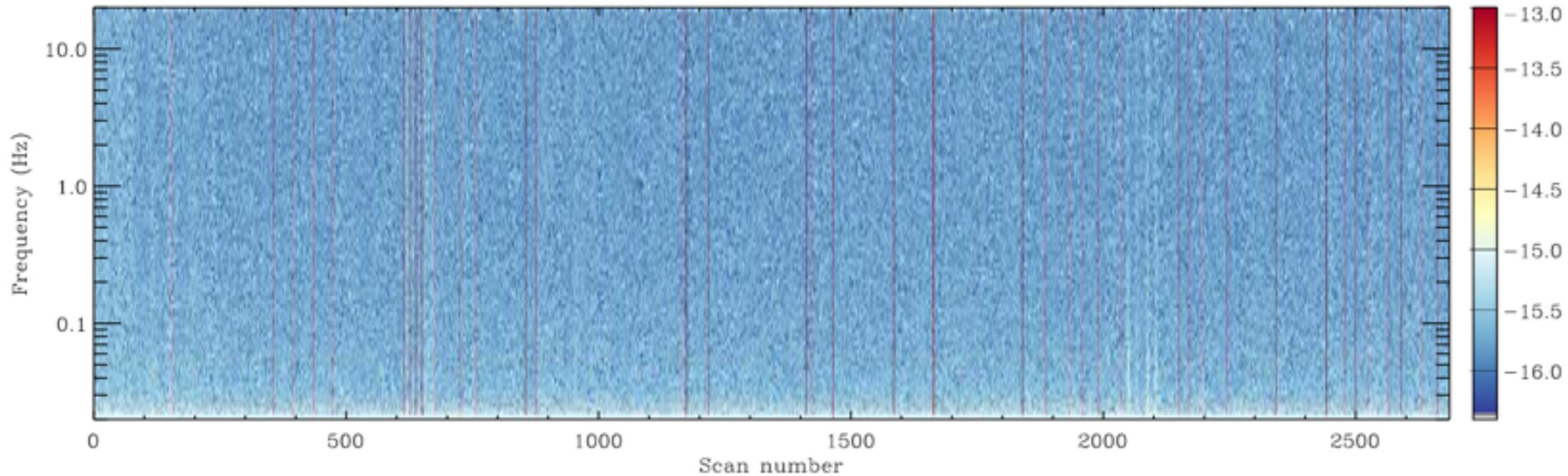
Orion



Foenard, PhD thesis 2018

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Noise Time-frequency plot over the whole flight (array#6)



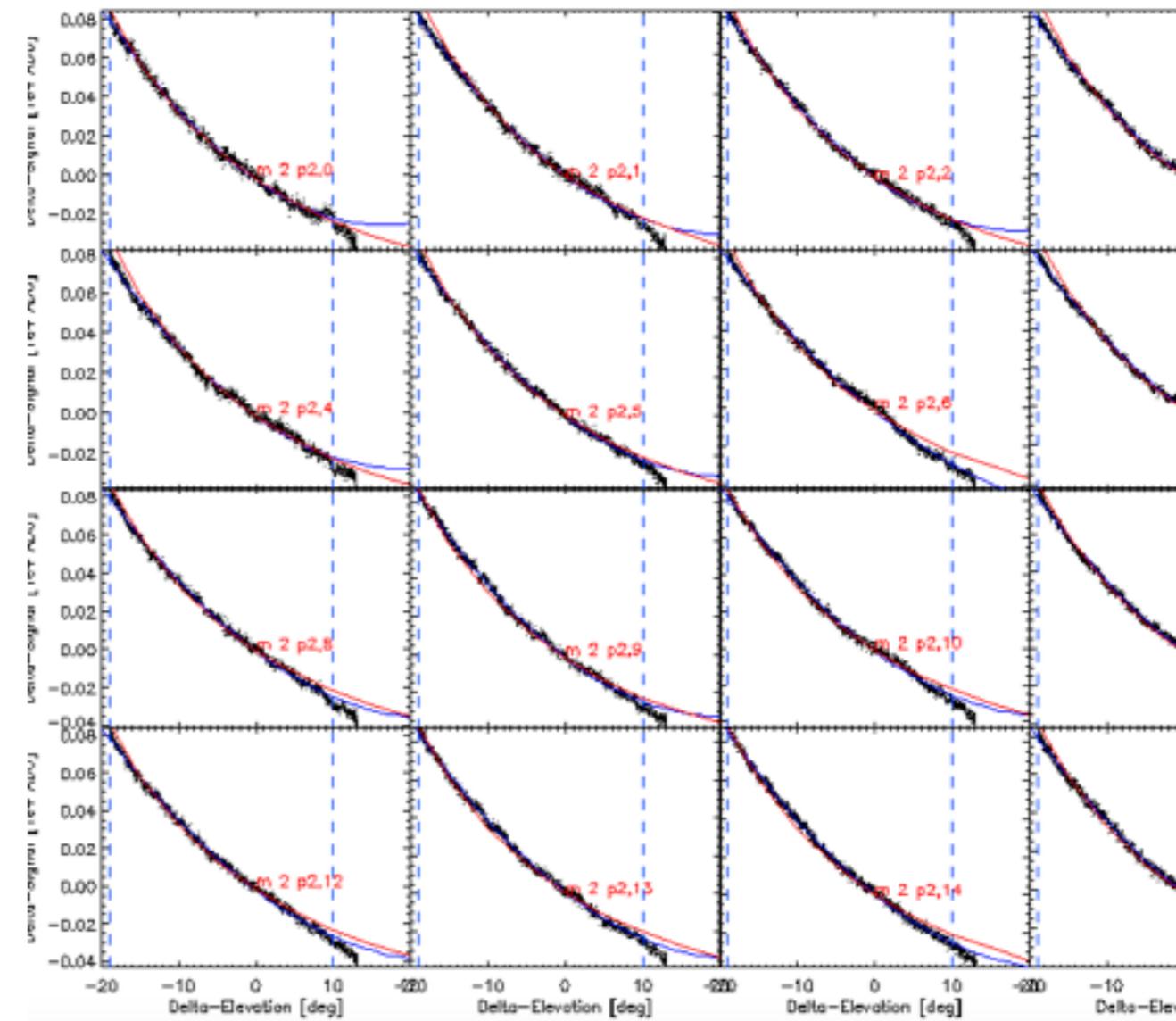
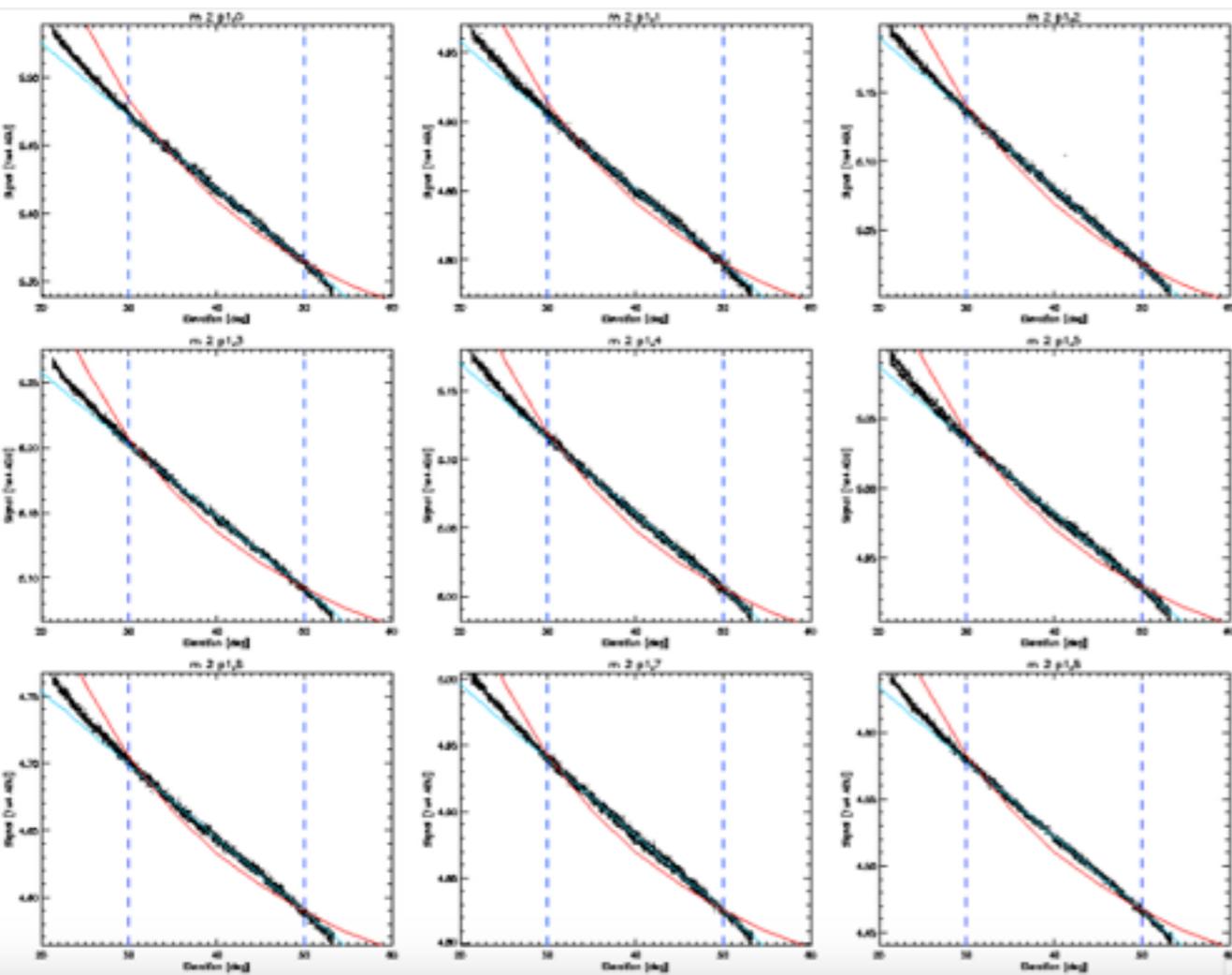
- Noise stability over the whole flight
- In-flight white noise levels as expected
- Slope: $1/f^{0.6}$

In-Flight Response maps

Measured on atmospheric signal (skydips)

Vol#1
Signal vs elevation

Vol#2



Non-linearity with elevation better detected

Analysis of sky-dips show Response maps accuracy of 0.7%

Data calibration

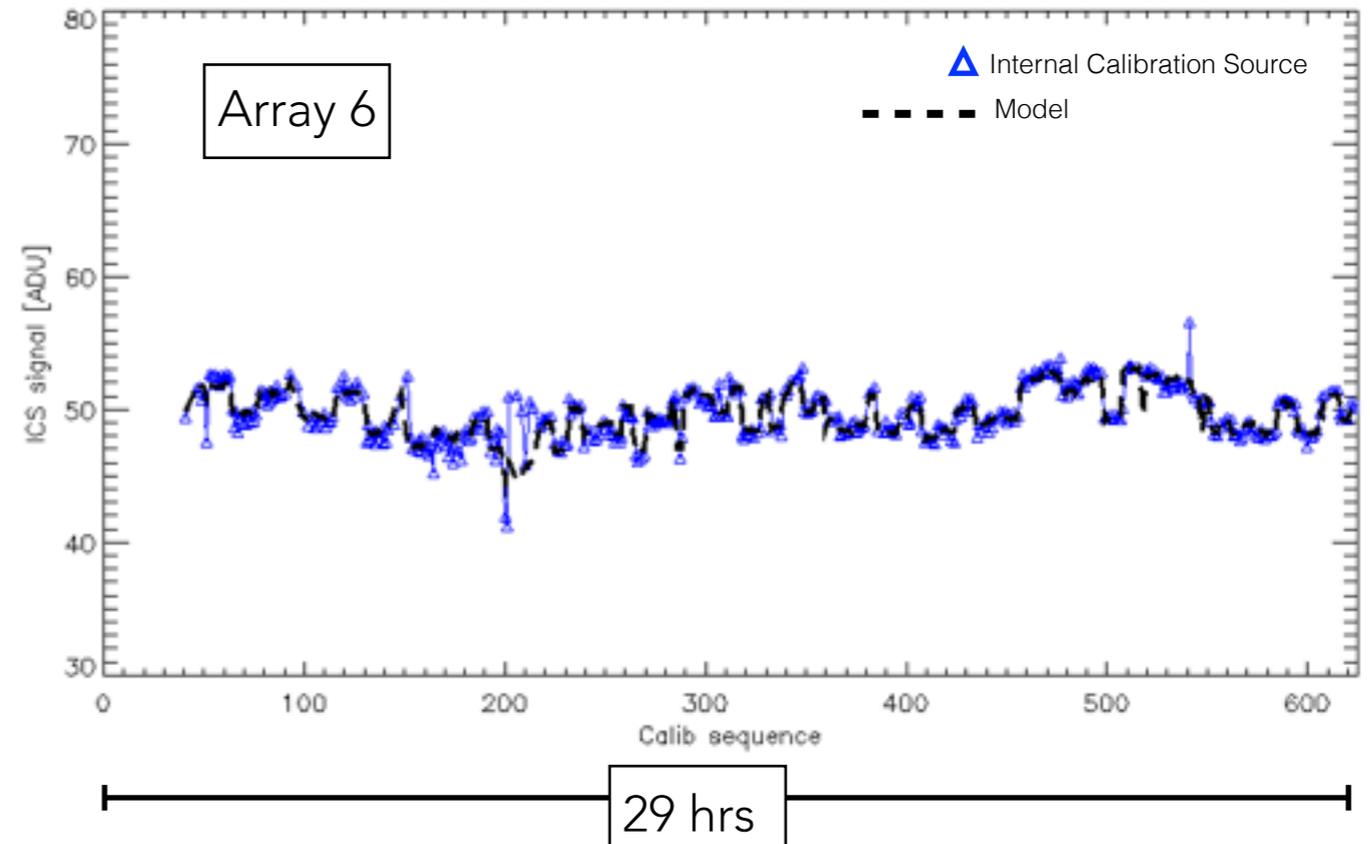
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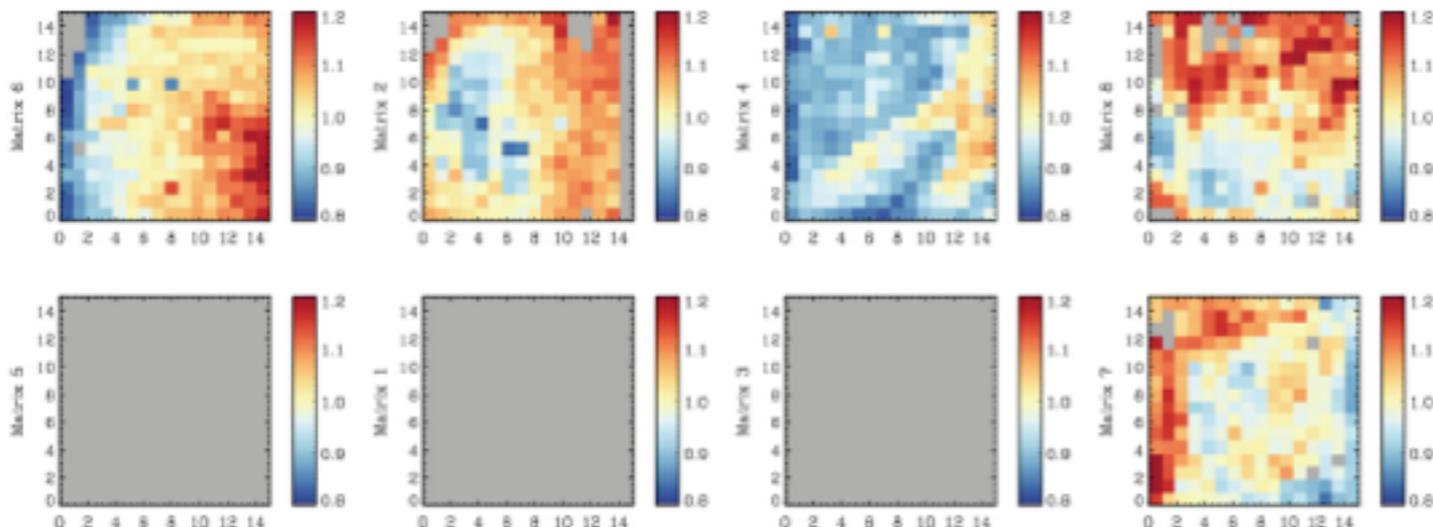
- **Temporal detector response variations: Internal Calibration Source (ICS)**

- Step-like variations due to polarized background & atmosphere variations
- Linear model parameters: HWP position, elevation, altitude, optics and structure temperatures

A simple model matches the variations with accuracy (2%) over the whole flight



- **Detector response spatial variations:**

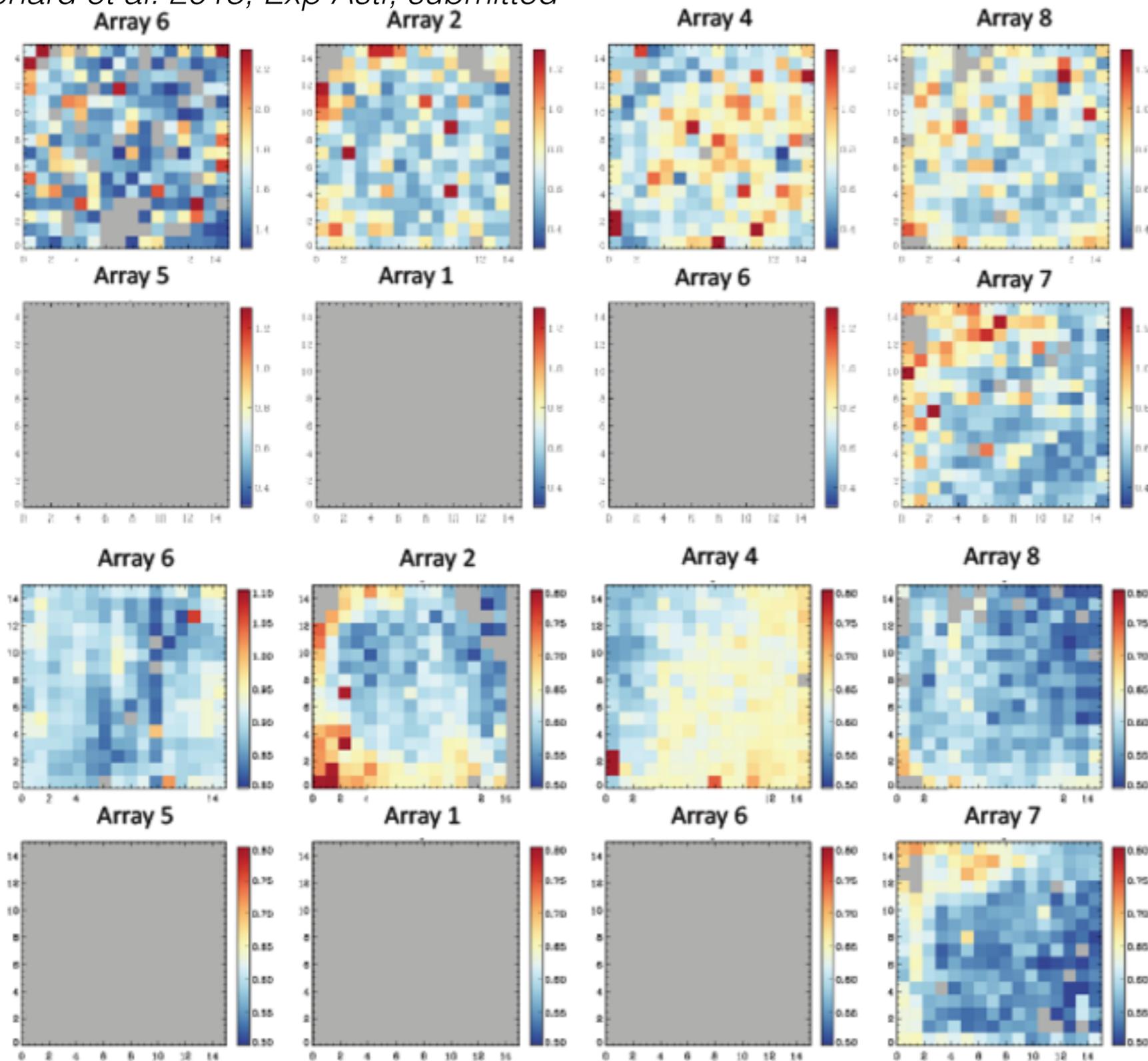


Atmosphere: extended and not polarized is used to determine the detector response flat-field.

Detector time constants

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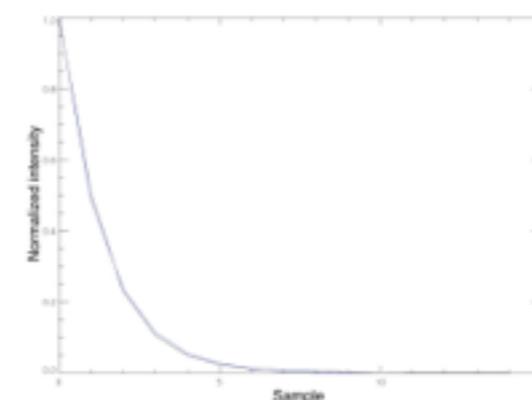
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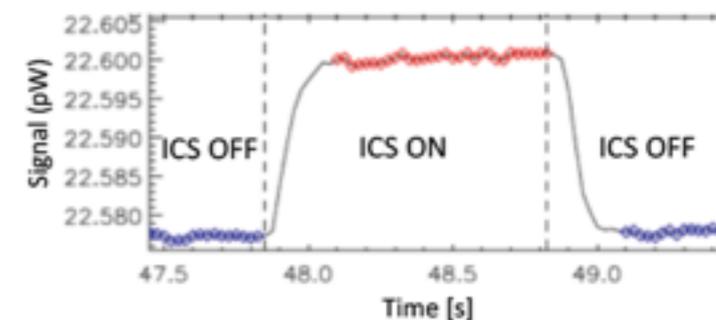
average $\tau = 0.7$ sample

Time constants derived from combination of :

- Glitches measuring detectors τ with low SNR

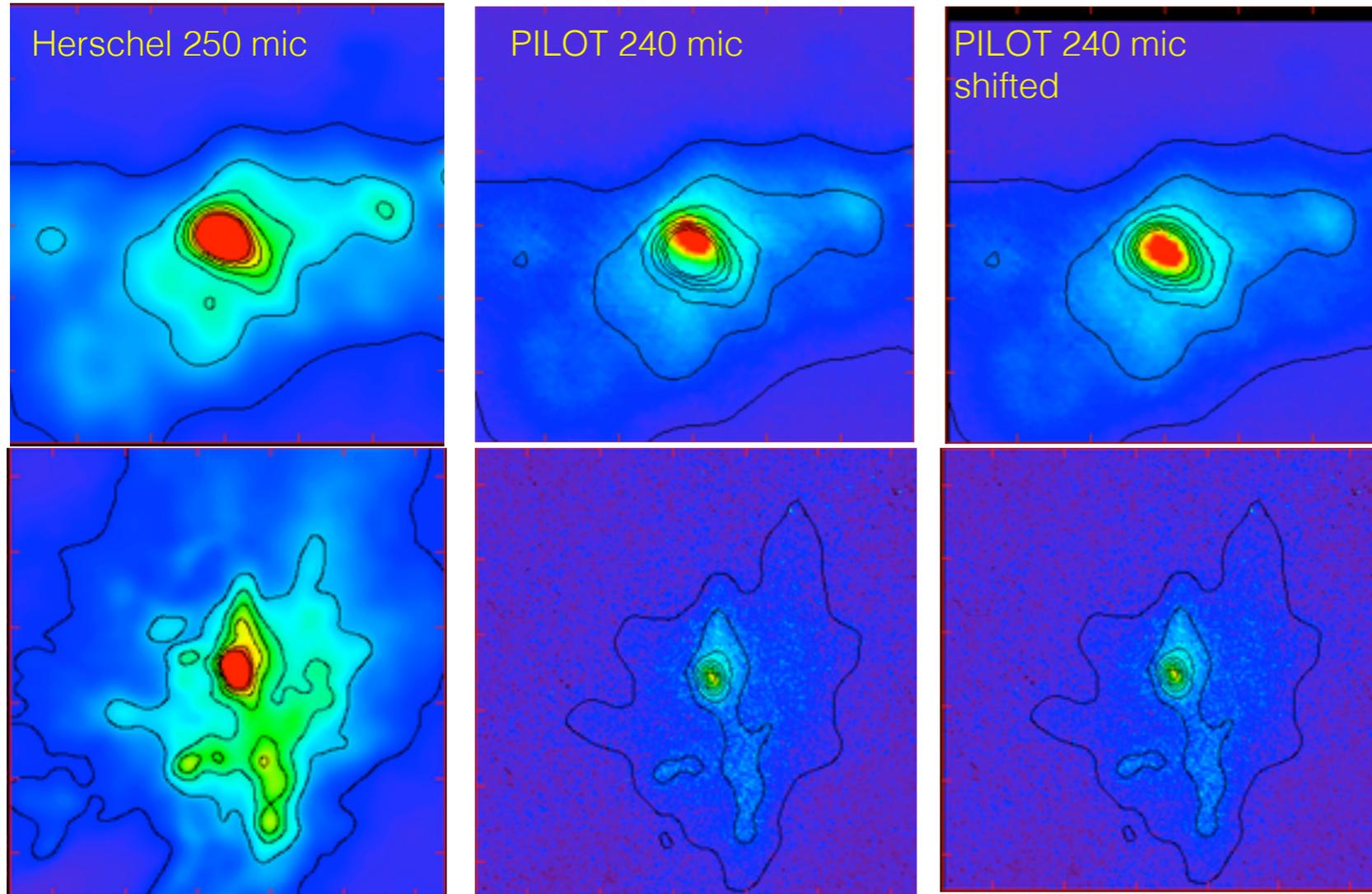


- ICS raising curves measuring detector + ICS τ with high SNR

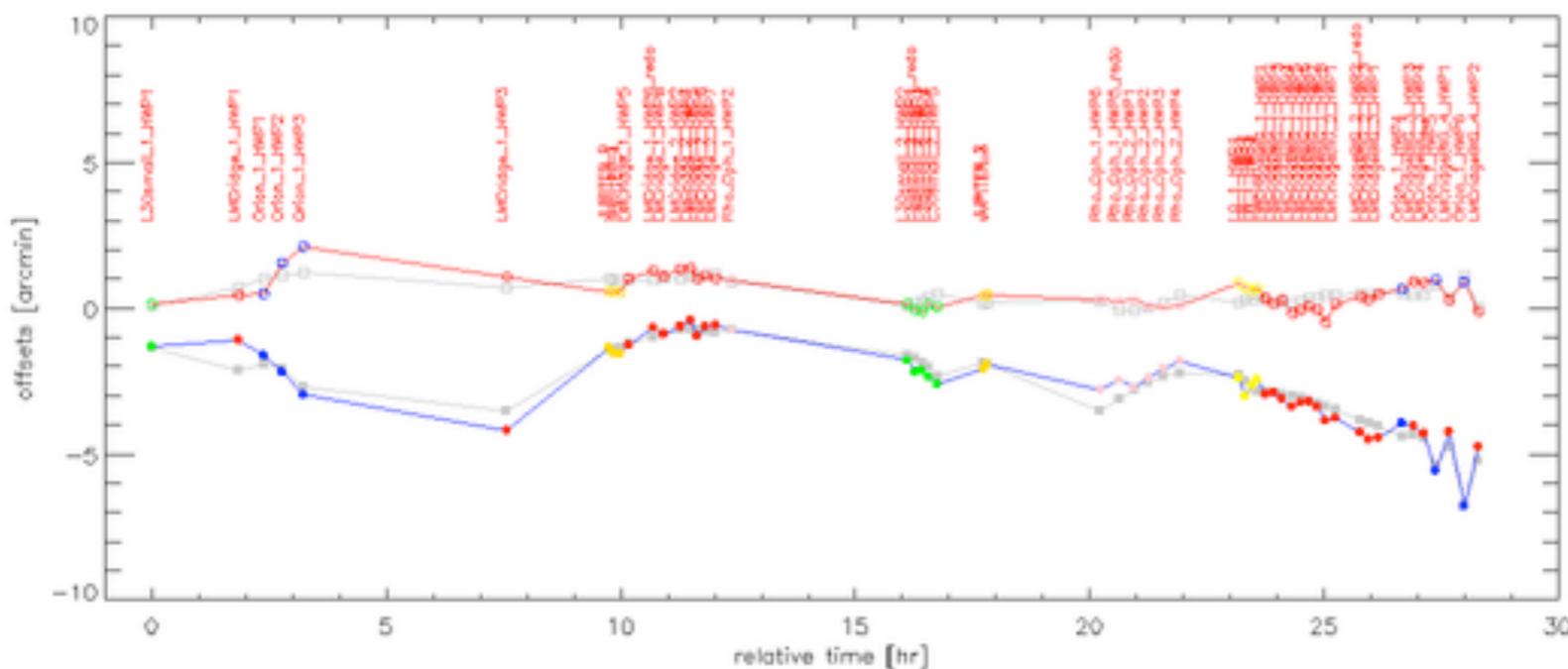


$$e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_{\text{cal}}}} = e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_{\text{det}}}} \otimes e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_{\text{ICS}}}}$$

pointing

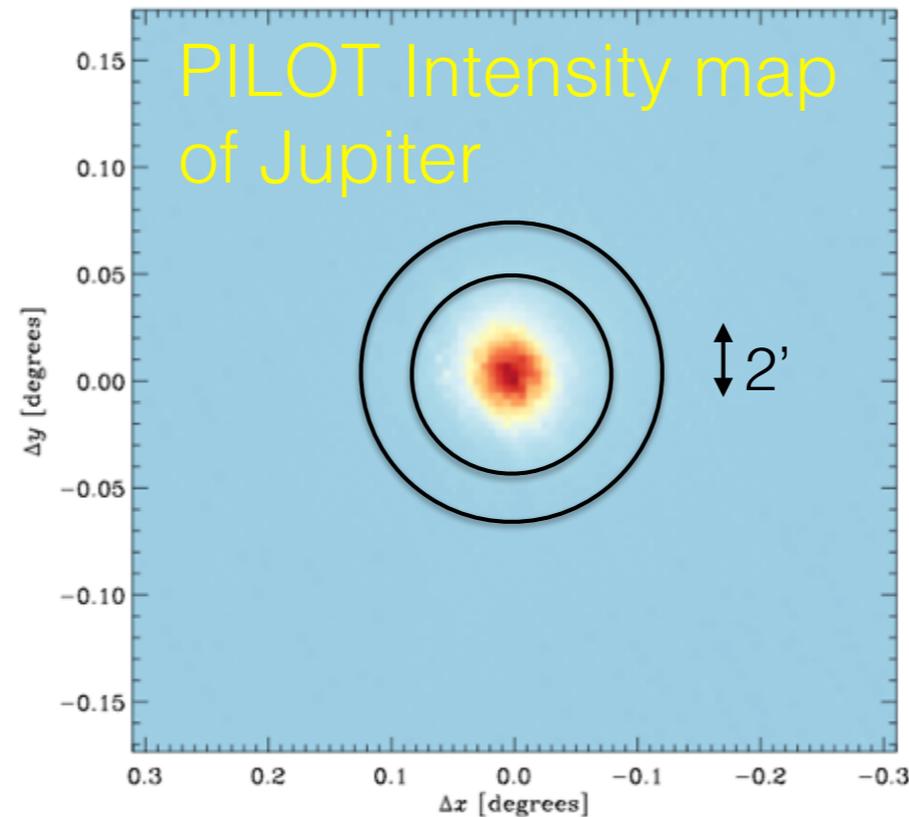


- Estadius offset computed from correlation with 250 μm Herschel image of individual observations
- Uses scanamorphos de-stripped maps of the PILOT data.
- Variations related to thermal and mechanical deformations of the instrument
- Modeled using linear regression with temperature and elevation



Residual polarization

Residual polarization on an unpolarized planet measures the data calibration accuracy



The residual polarization measured through aperture photometry on Jupiter is $\Delta P/I \sim 3\%$

Significant improvement expected, more detailed calibration analysis on-going

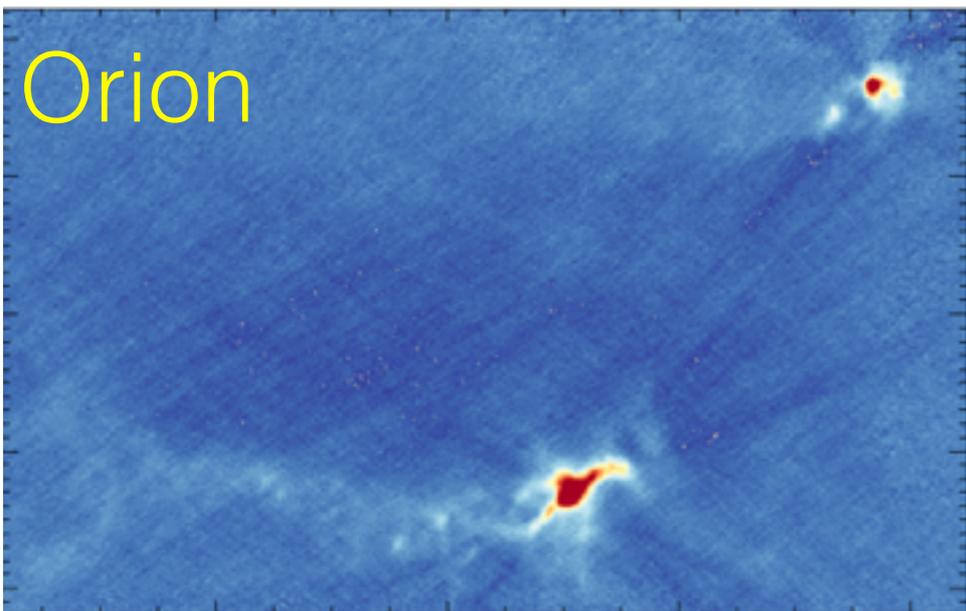
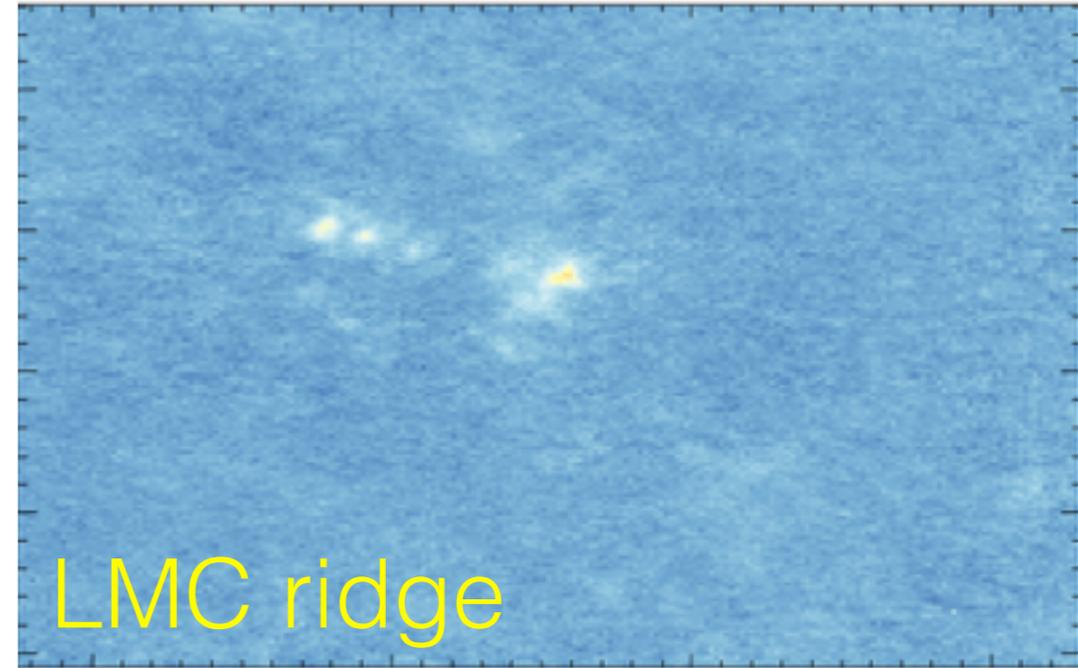
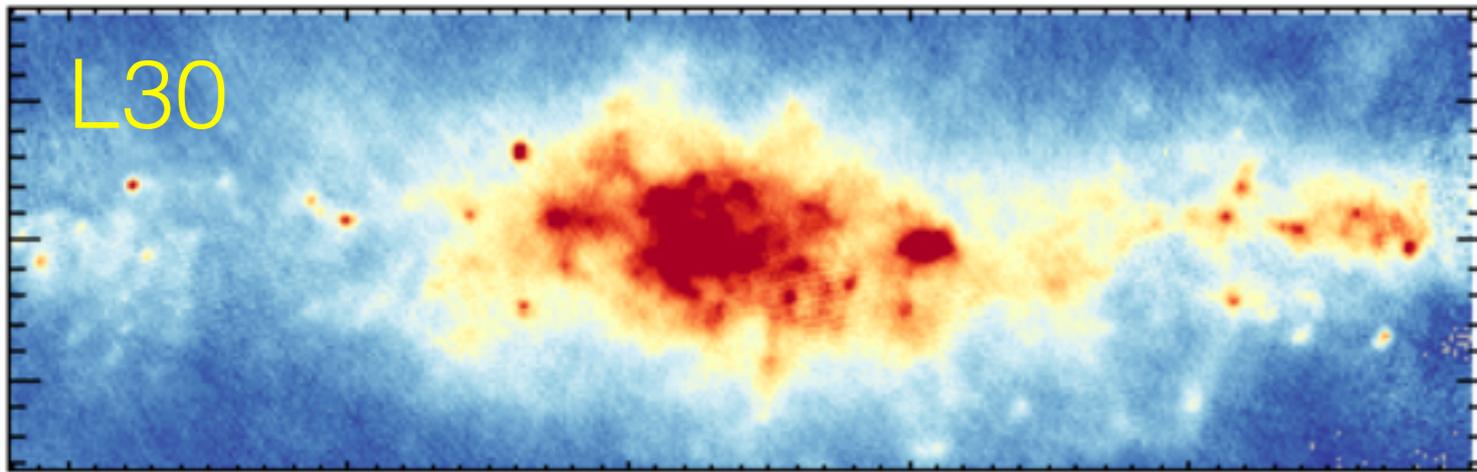


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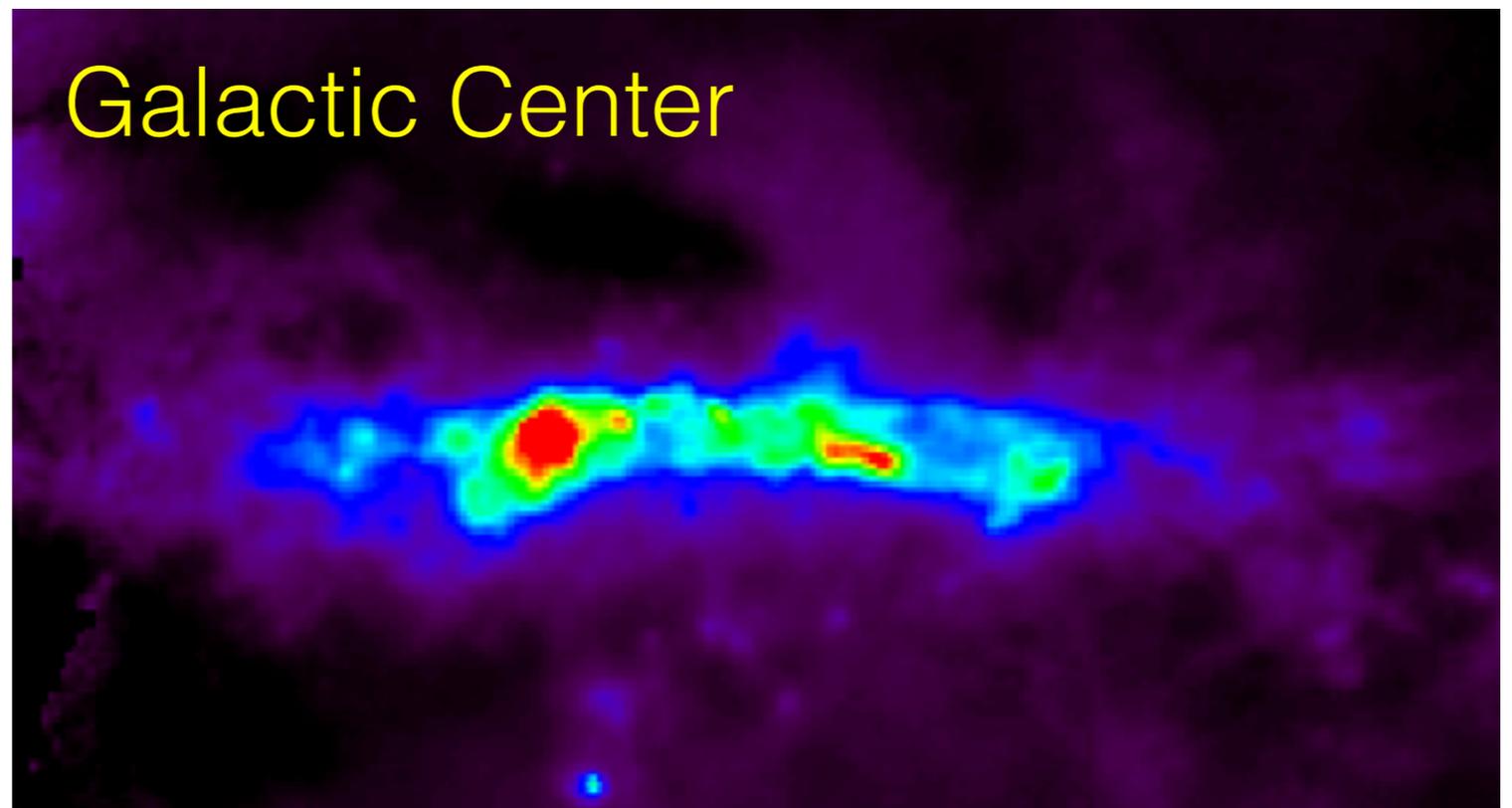
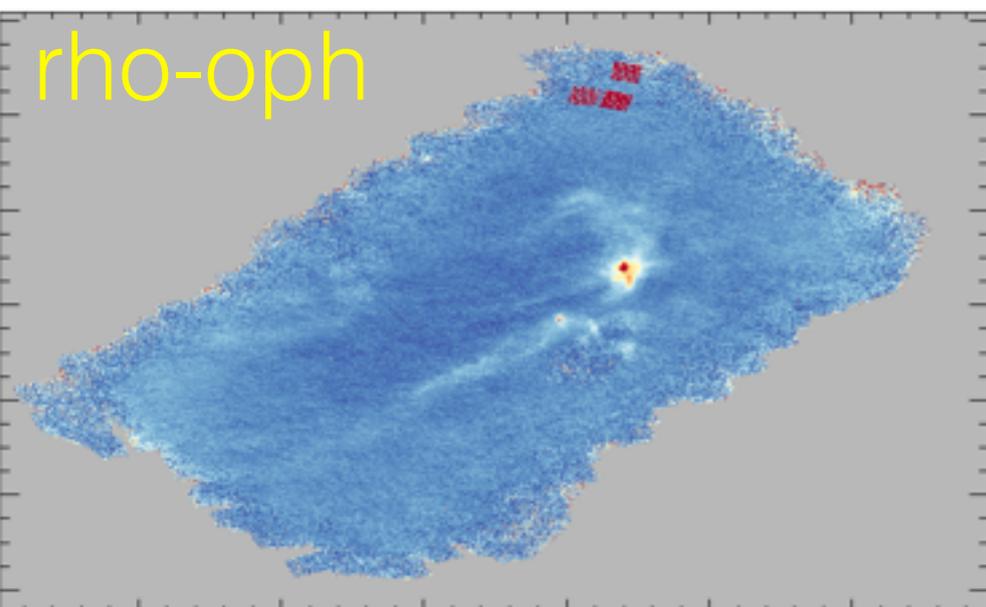




Flight#2 preliminary Intensity maps

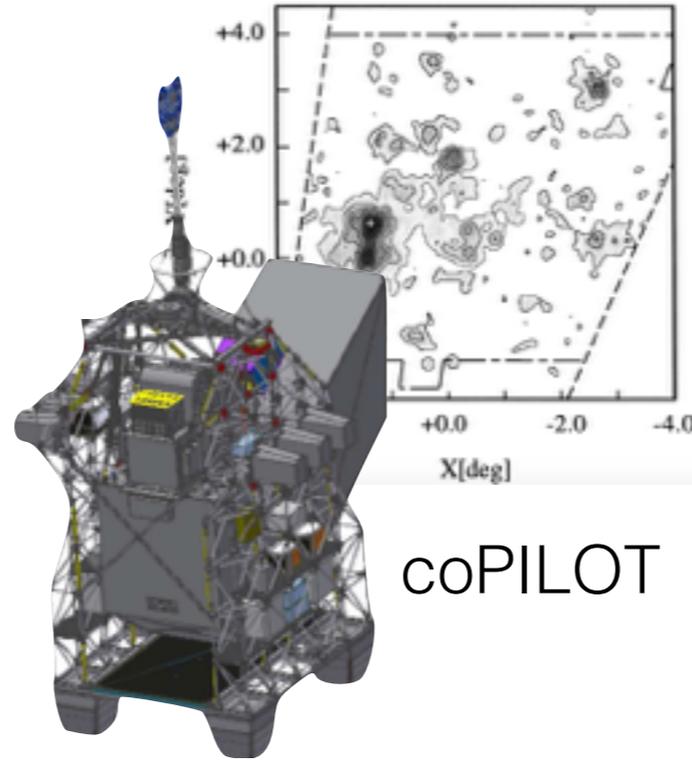
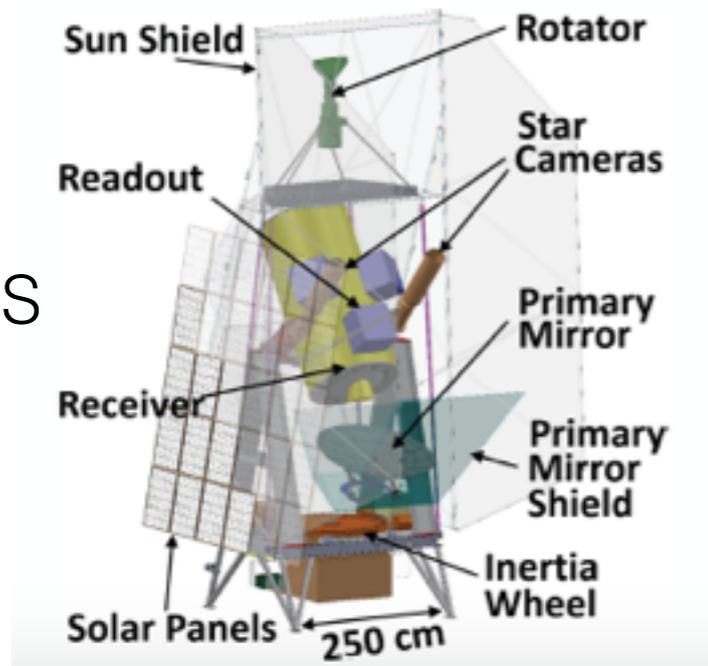


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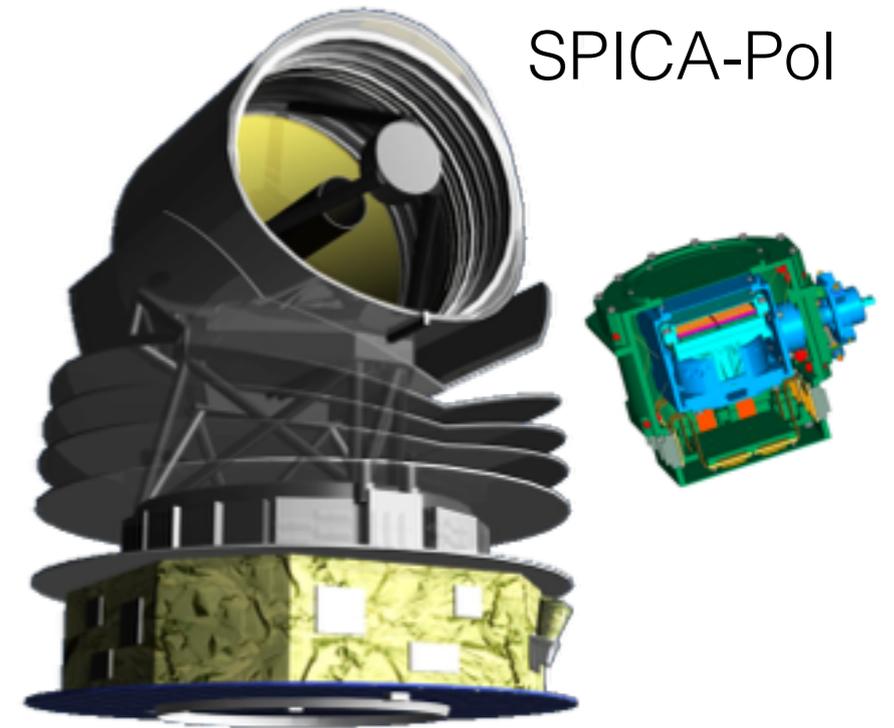


PILOT Spin offs

IDS



coPILOT



SPICA-Pol

- IDS (Inflation and Dust Surveyor): CMB Bmodes + dust proposed to NASA 2018. Contribution to provide Pilot Estadius + ICS.
- CoPilot: modification of PILOT will allow very accurate measurements of C+ (158 mic) total intensity. Dark molecular gas distribution in solar neighborhood, nearby galaxies. Submitted to CNES in 2017, 2018.
- SPICA-pol: Polarized instrument on SPICA. Design and science case strongly inspired from PILOT. Accepted in pre-phaseA/0.

Gondola retrieval

Avoided lakes ...



but not forest ...

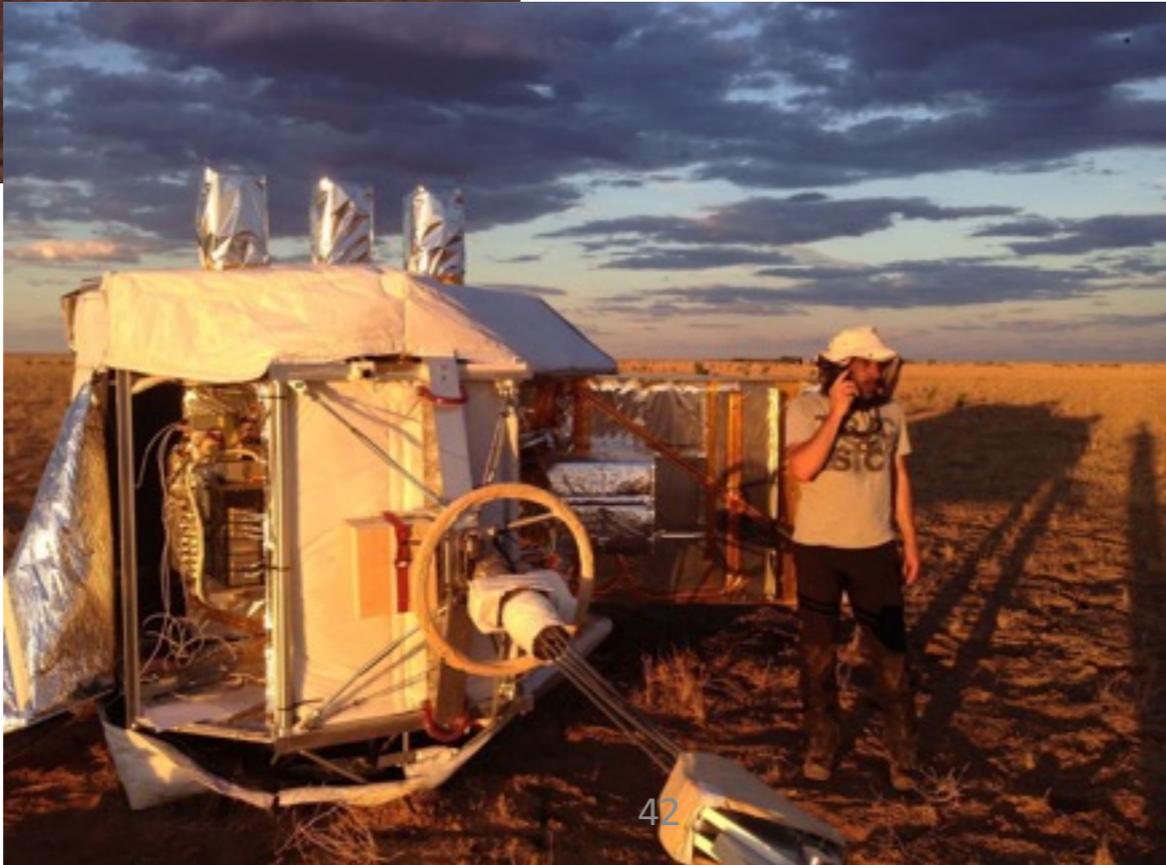


Science instrument ok but for a few repairs

Gondola retrieval

Instrument was recovered ~836 km East of Alice Springs
Desertic area.

landing area

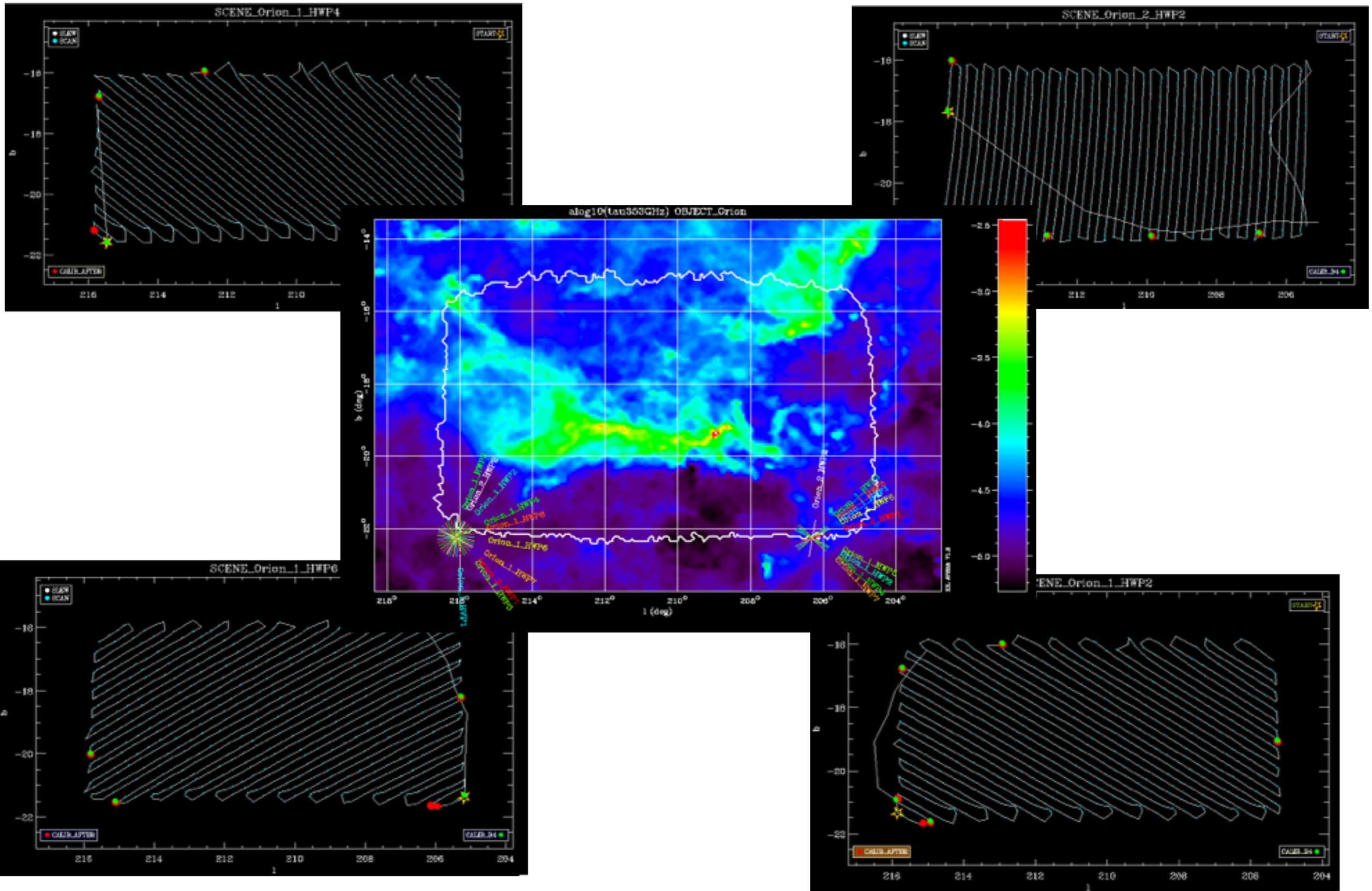


The instrument looks ready to fly again !

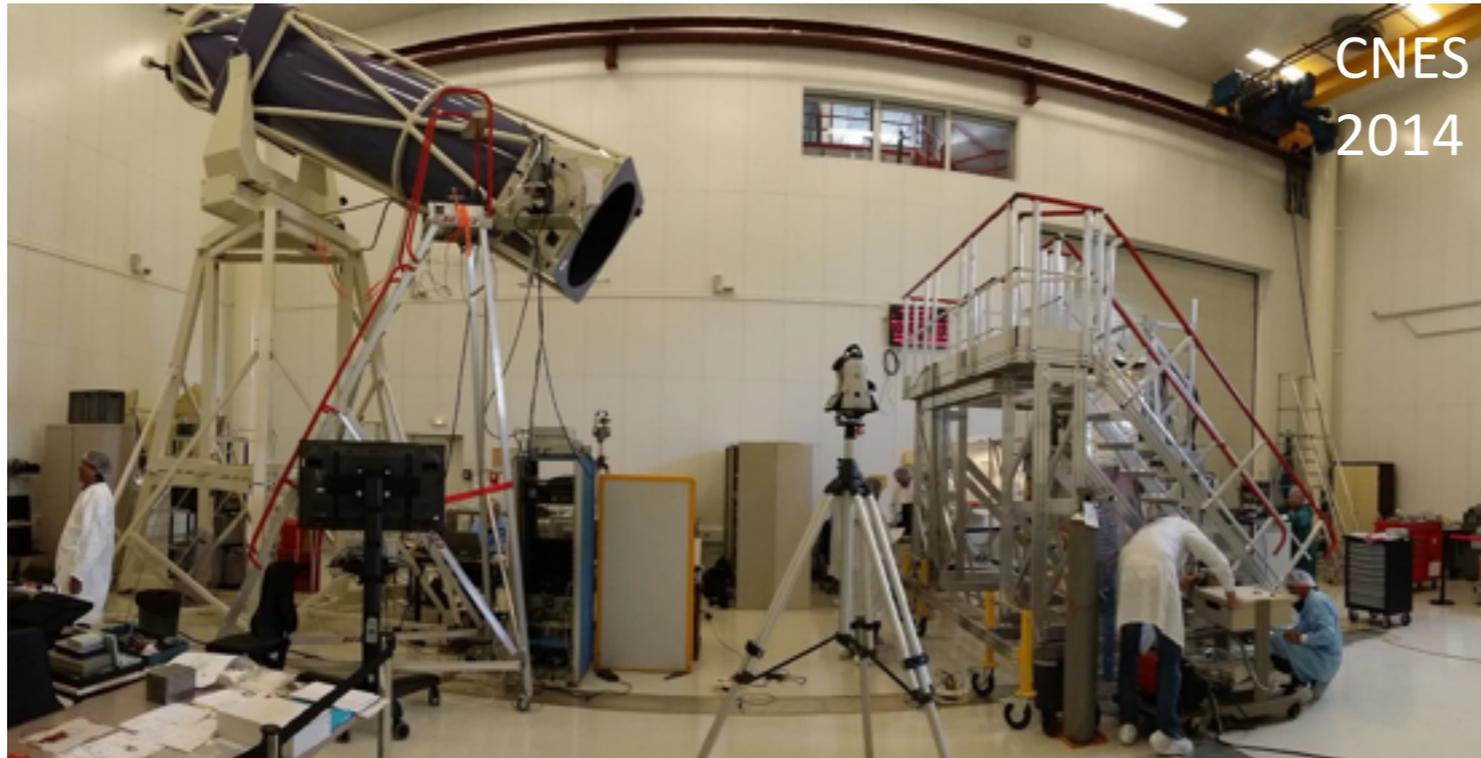
Gondola, back to Alice Springs



Orion mapped with 6 scenes at different scan angles







Detectors/Instrument:

- Detectors issues
- Detector optimization
- Noise
- Time constants
- Response (ICS)

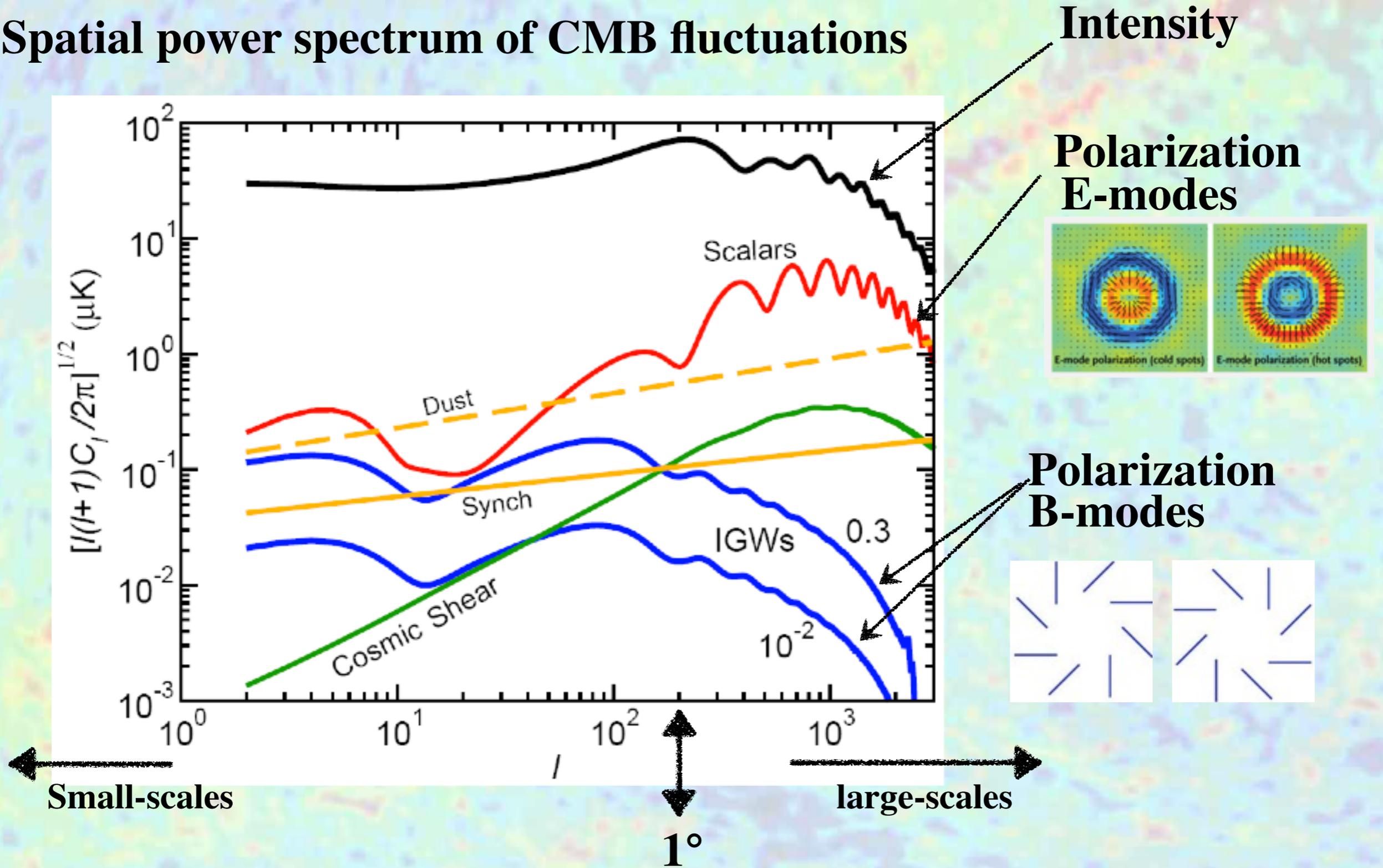
Optics:

- Background
- Spectral Transmission
- PSF/Defocus
- Straylight
- Focal Plane Geometry
- PS Polarization

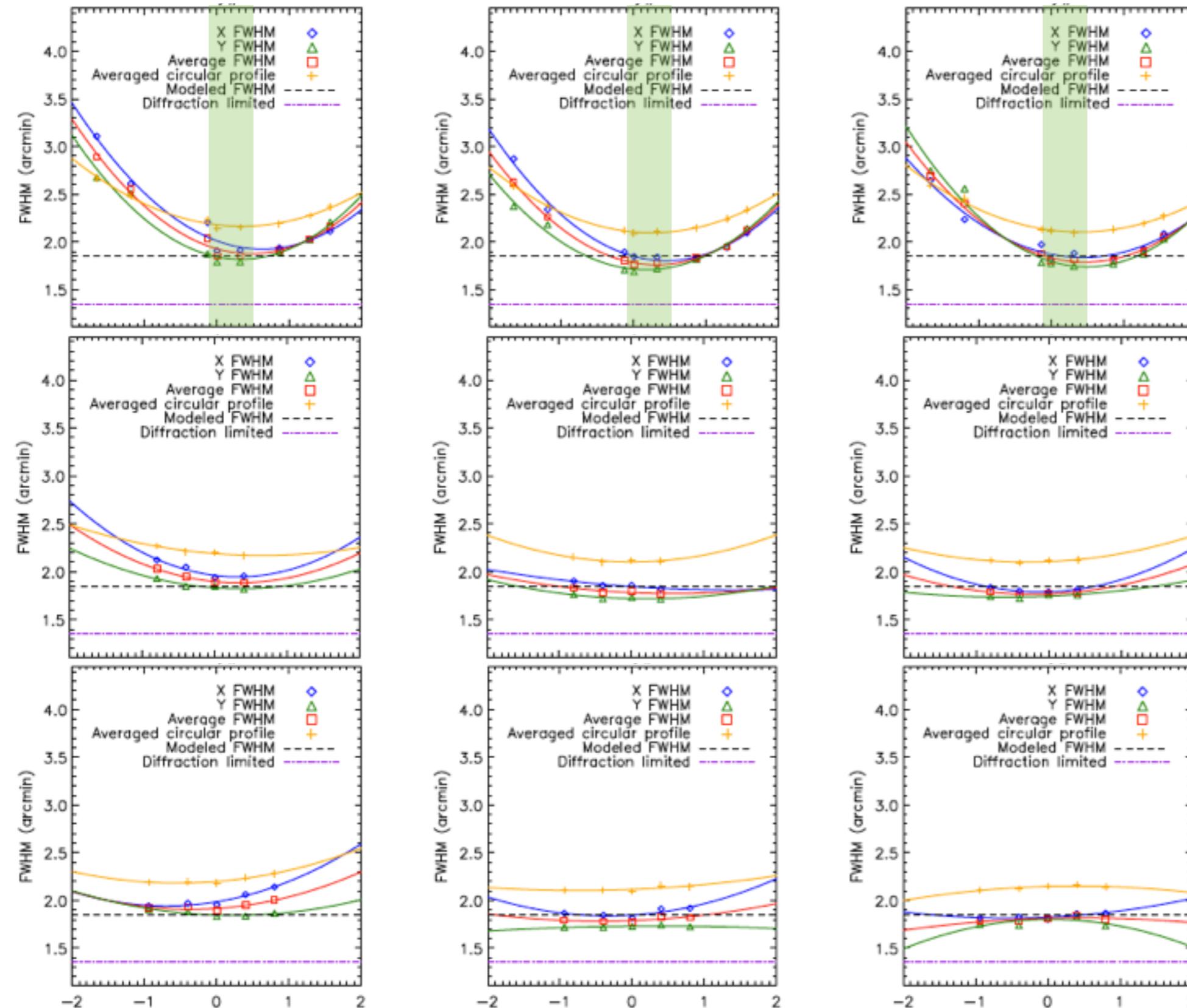


Polarized CMB

Spatial power spectrum of CMB fluctuations



B-modes have not been detected yet !!



Z defocus

X defocus

Y defocus