

# CLOVER and BRAIN

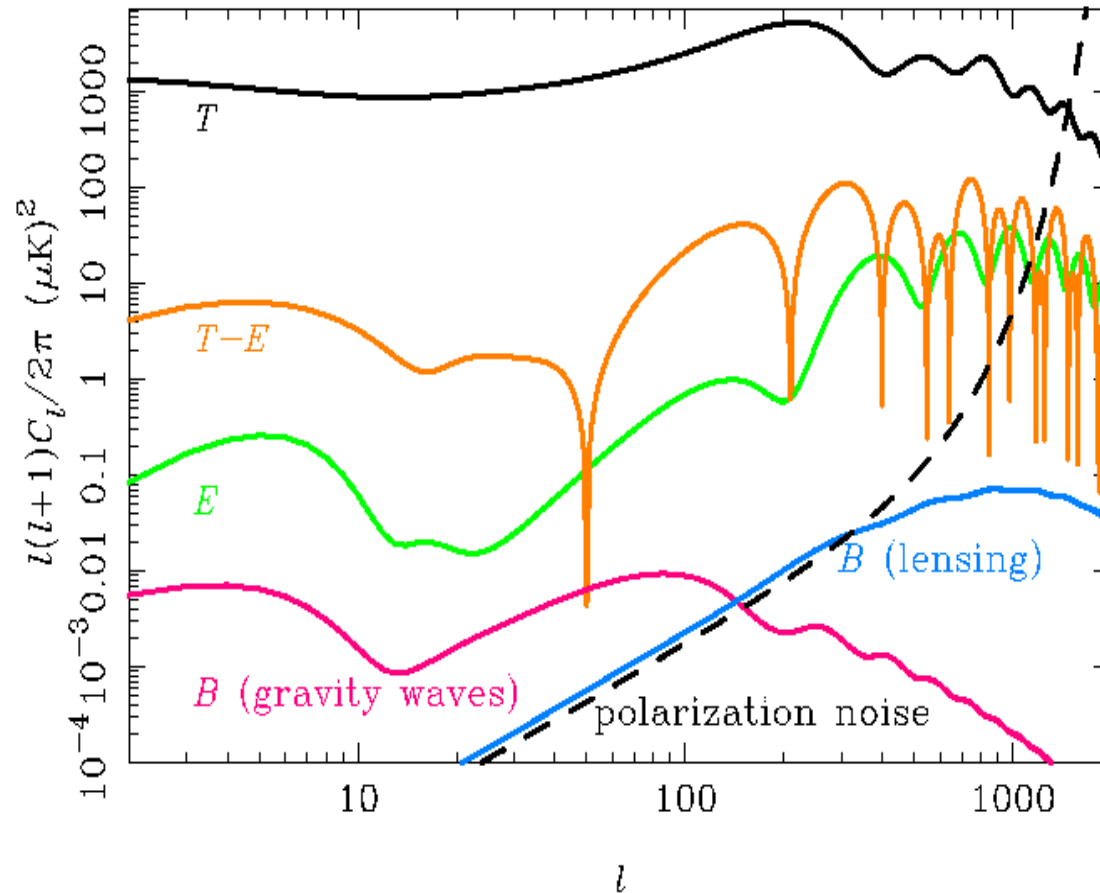
New instruments for measuring the B-mode  
polarization of the CMB

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# Overview

- Two complementary instrumental techniques
- Will observe on multipoles  $l=20 - 1000$
- CLOVER
  - Focal plane array
  - Instrument overview
  - Science forecasts
- BRAIN
  - Bolometric interferometer
  - Instrument aims / overview

# Primary science goal



- Primary aim to detect and measure the B-mode polarization power spectrum for  $l = 20 - 1000$ .
- Sensitivity limited by foreground lensing of the E-mode signal.

# Instrument Requirements

- High sensitivity
  - Many detectors
  - Very sensitive detectors (background limited)
- Free of systematics
  - High quality instrument (low side lobes and cross polarization)
  - The ability to subtract systematics  
(leakage from I  $\rightarrow$  P)
- Foreground Subtraction (multiple frequency operation)



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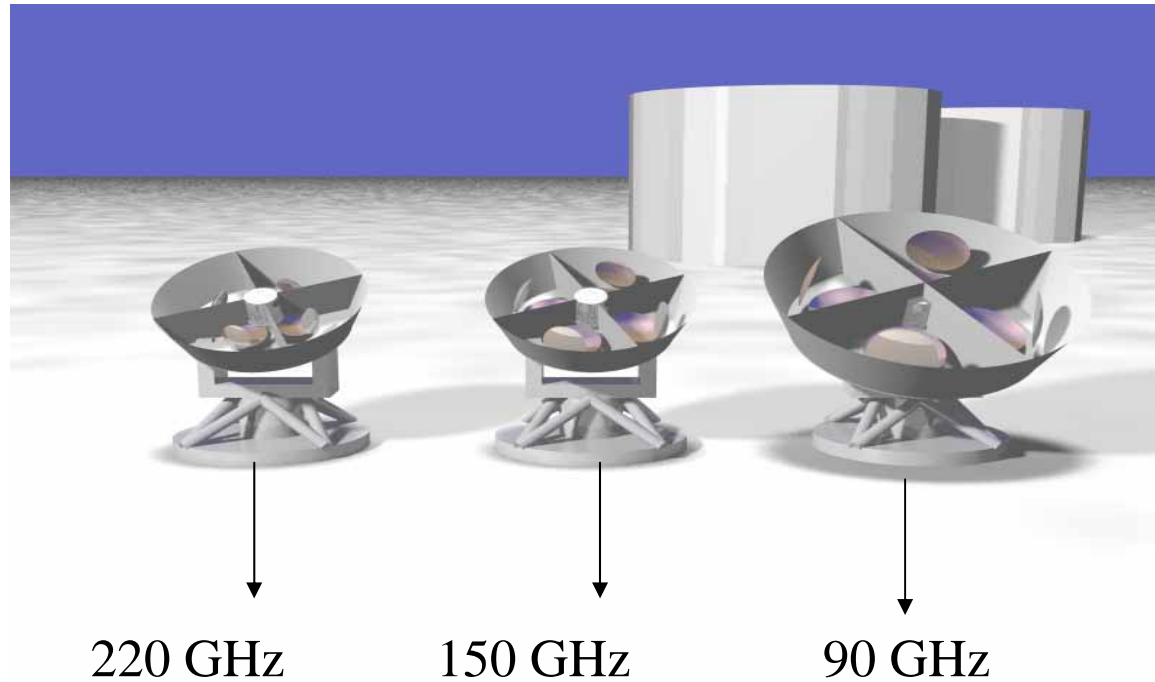
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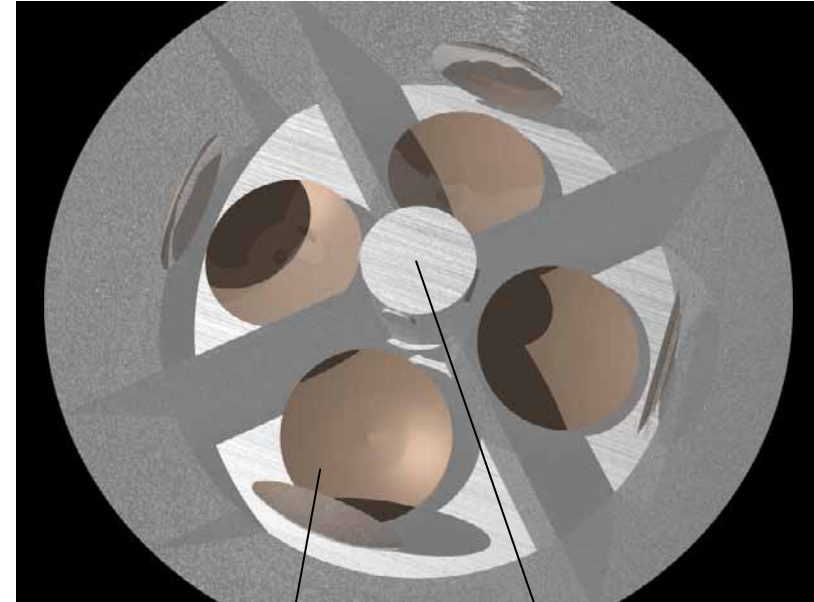
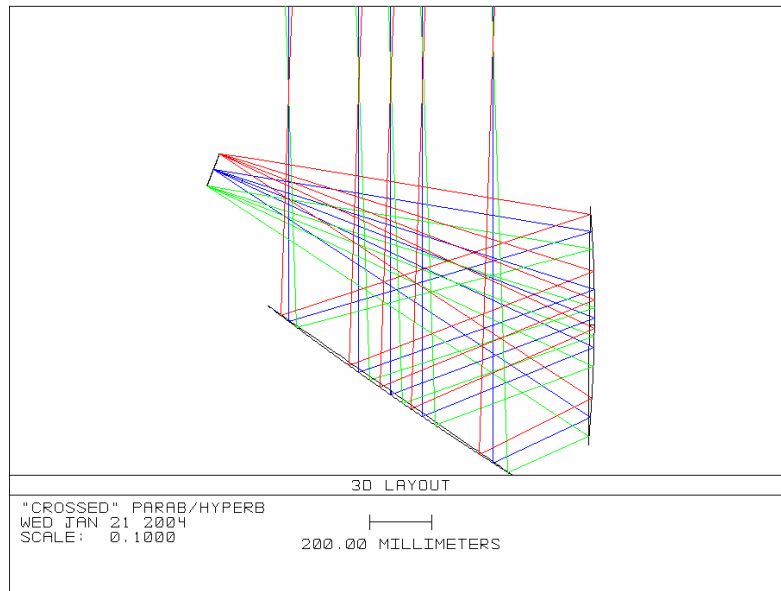
# Instrument Layout



- Three independent telescopes
- Each telescope comprises four co-pointed optical assemblies.
- 15-arcmin resolution with equivalent of 512 single-polarization pixels.
- Phased deployment at Dome-C from 2006-2008



# Telescope and Mount



- Compact Range Antenna (CRA)
- Low aberration and cross-polarization
- 4-fold symmetry allows checks on systematics

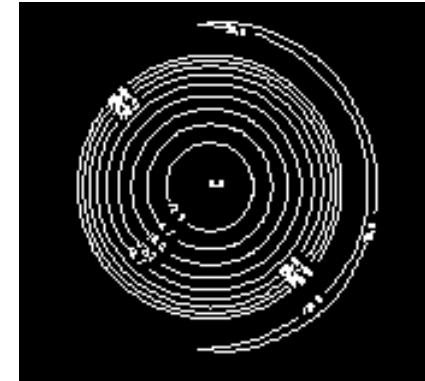
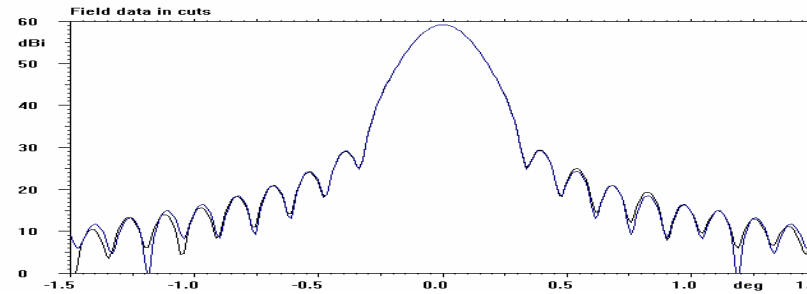
CRA

Cryostat with 4  
windows

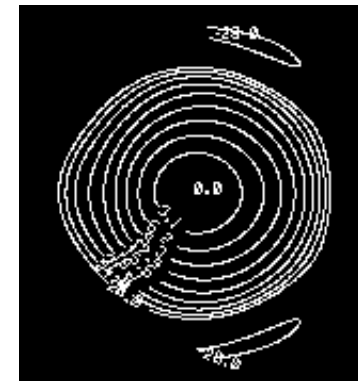
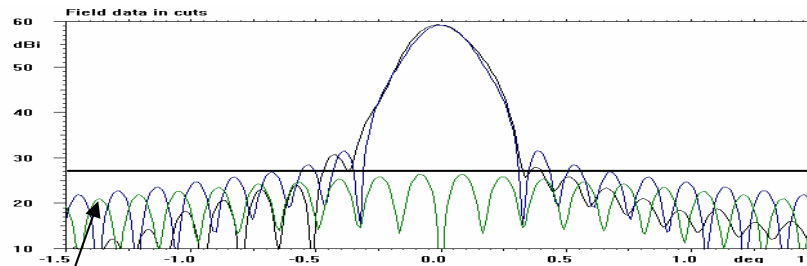


# Clover Optics: Radiation Patterns

Central Horn



Horn 50mm from centre of array

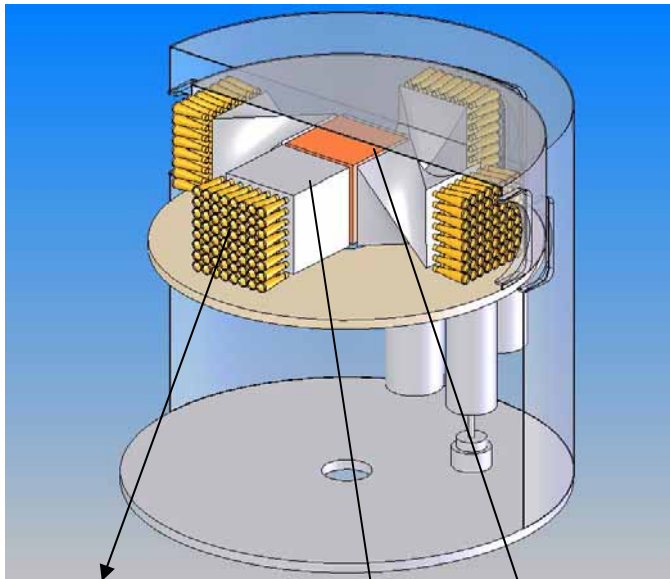


Worst case cross-polarization - 35 dB





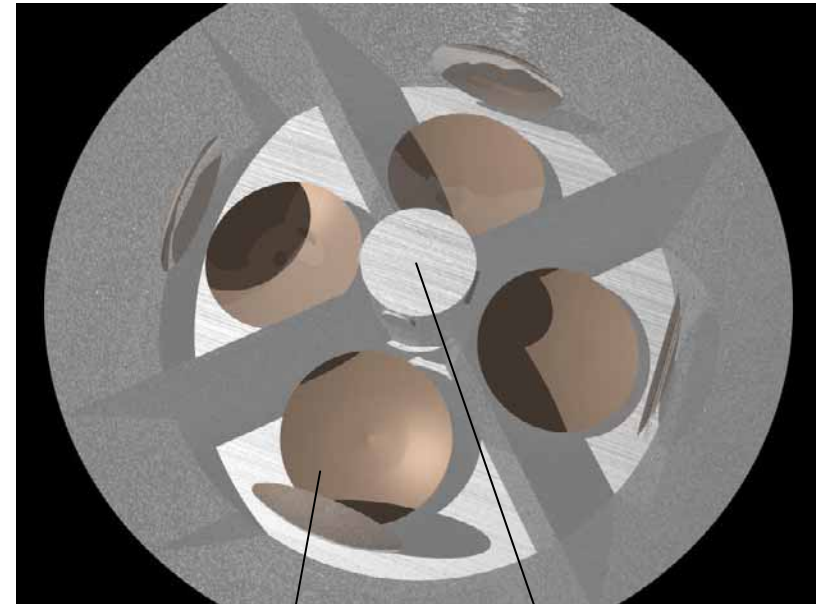
# Feedhorn Array



8x8 Corrugated  
horns array

OMTs  
Hybrids

Detector block

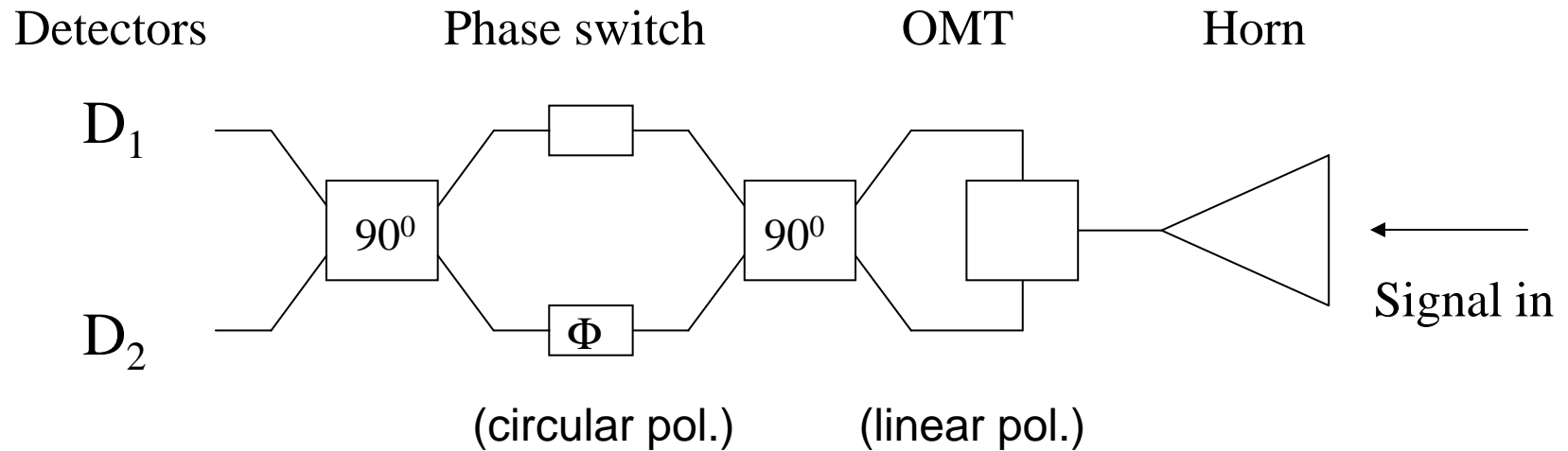


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# Cross-correlation receiver



The output at the detectors  $D_1$ ,  $D_2$

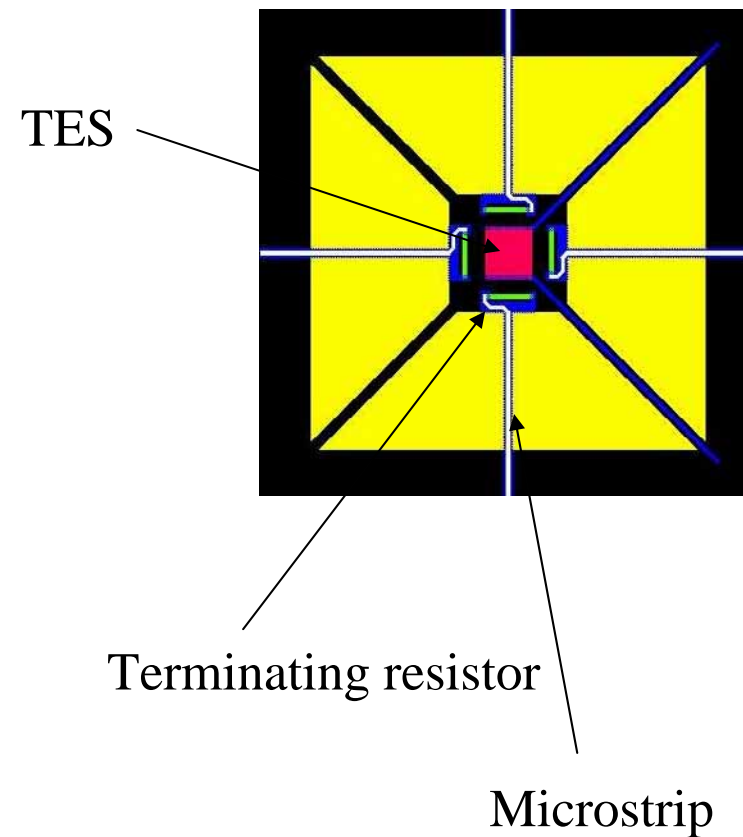
$$D_1 = I - Q \cdot \cos \Delta\varphi - U \cdot \sin \Delta\varphi$$

$$D_2 = I + Q \cdot \cos \Delta\varphi + U \cdot \sin \Delta\varphi$$

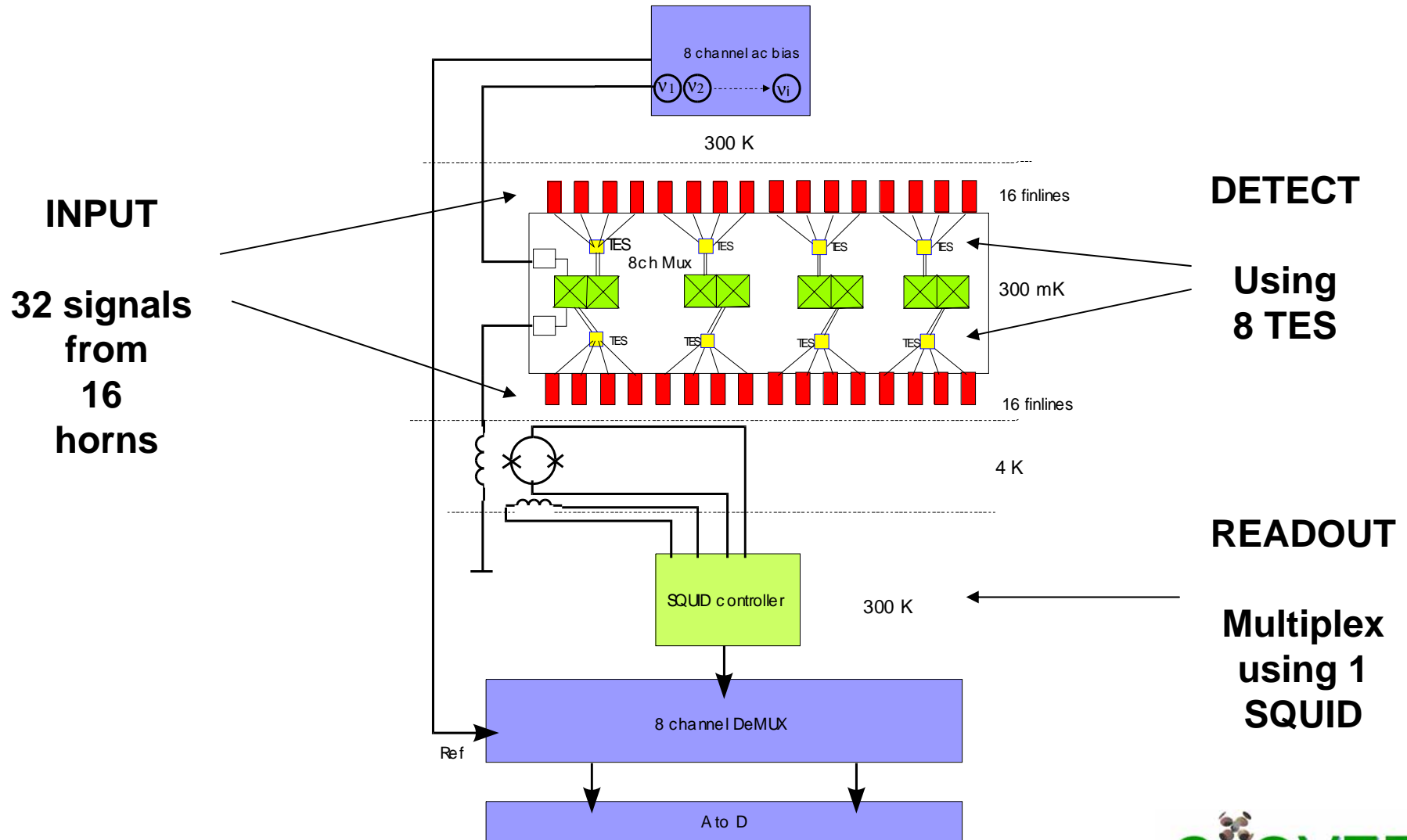


# Transition Edge Sensors (TES)

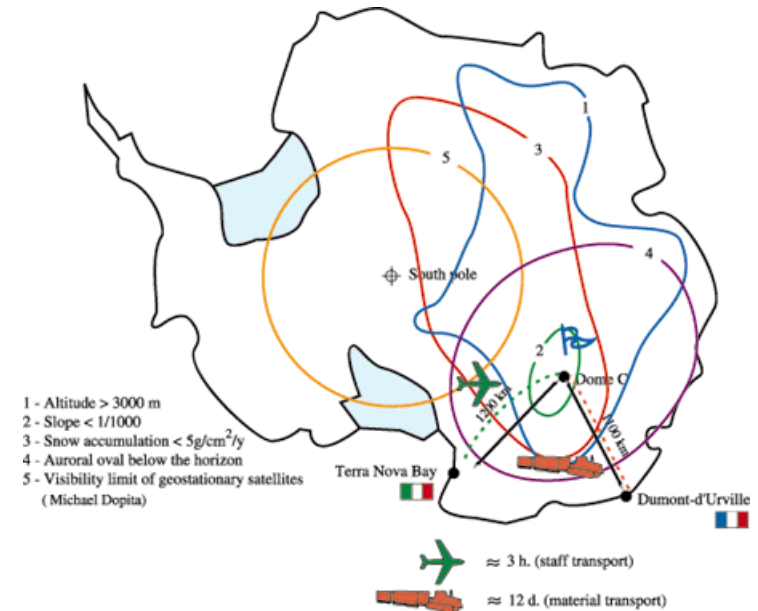
- A  $50 \times 50 \mu\text{m}^2$  superconducting thin film deposited on a silicon nitride membrane
- Sharp change in the resistance as the film is heated by absorbing incident photons
- The device is biased at the middle of the transition region between the normal and superconducting states.
- The sharp increase in resistance causes a decrease in the biasing current which is read by a SQUID



# Bolometer Array



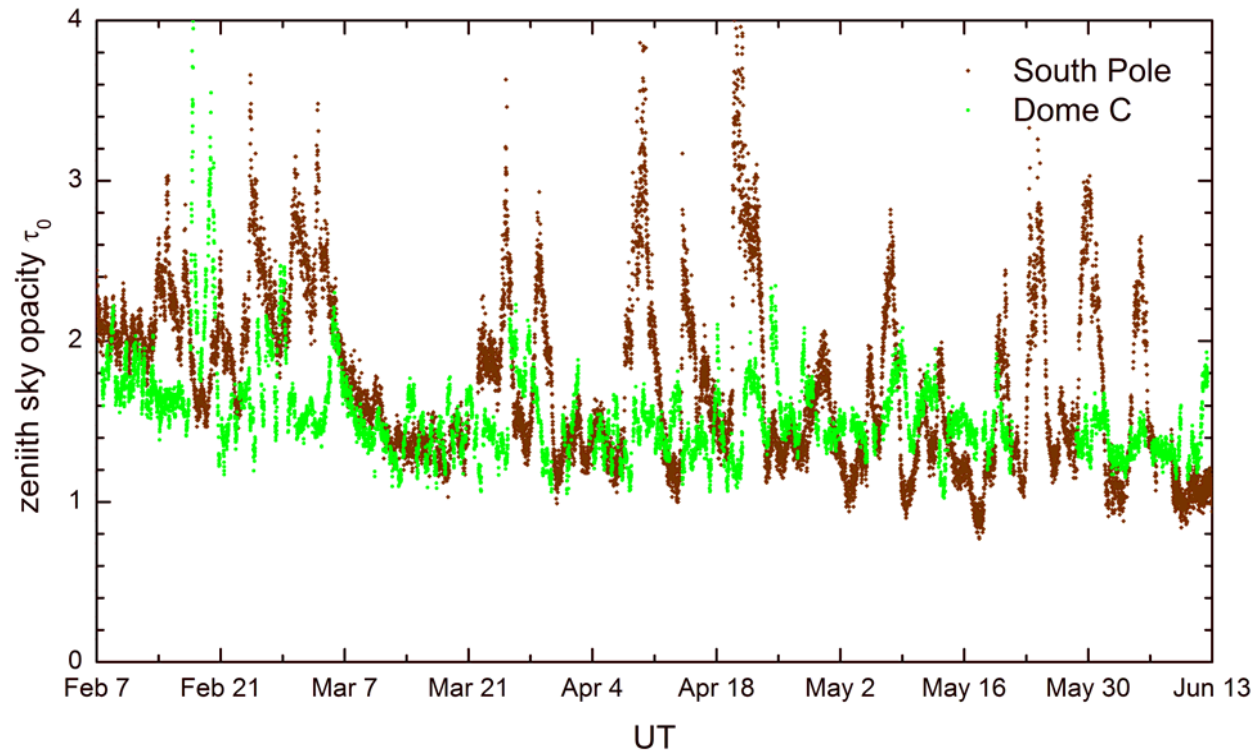
# Site: Dome C, Antarctica



- French / Italian base
- 3,200m altitude
- -75 deg latitude
- Slope < 1/1000



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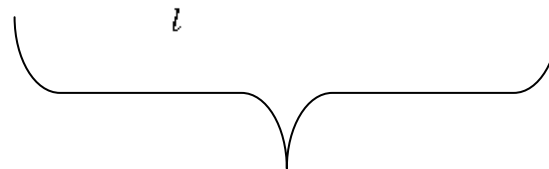
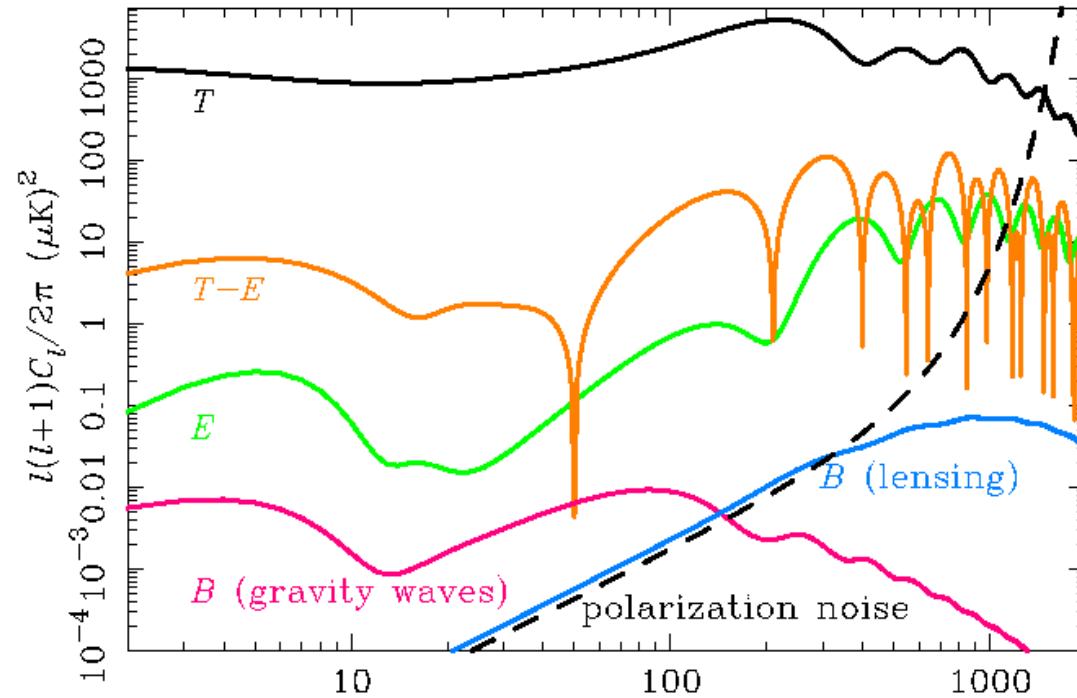
- Comparison of 860GHz opacity

South Pole (brown)

Dome C (green)



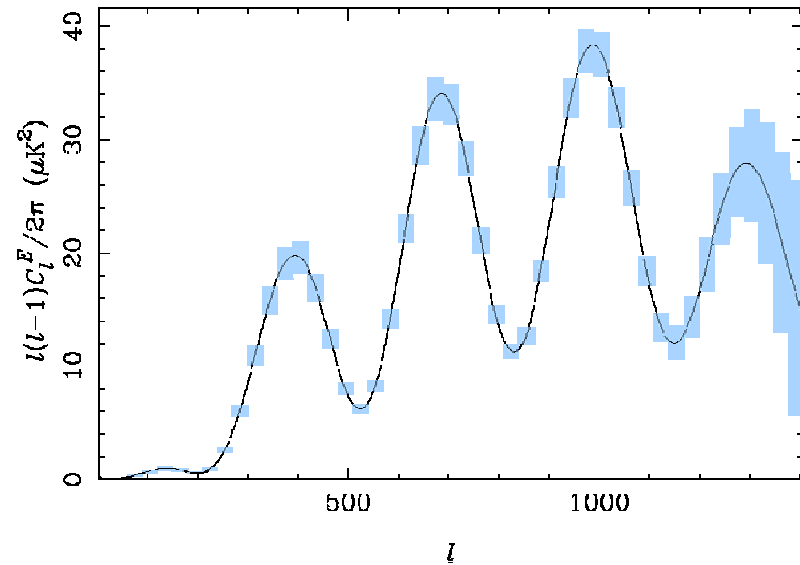
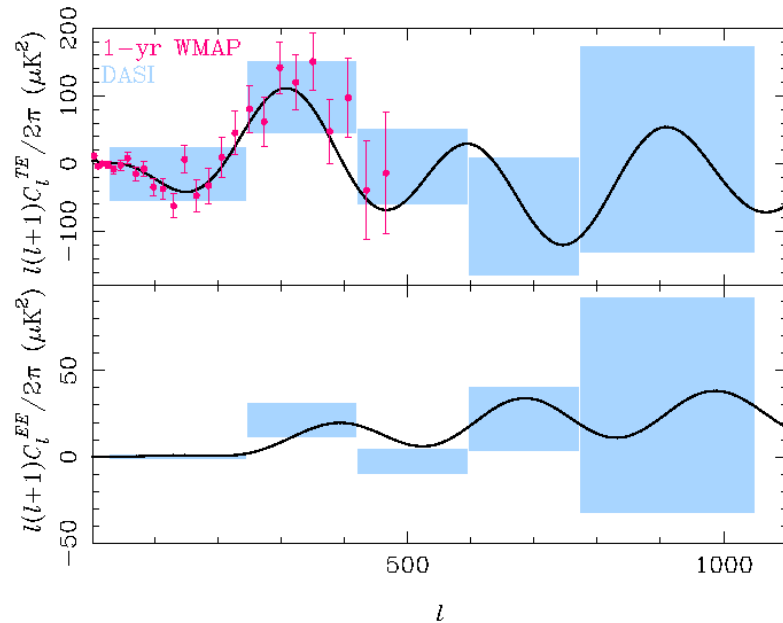
# Science Overview



CLOVER :  $l = 20 - 1000$



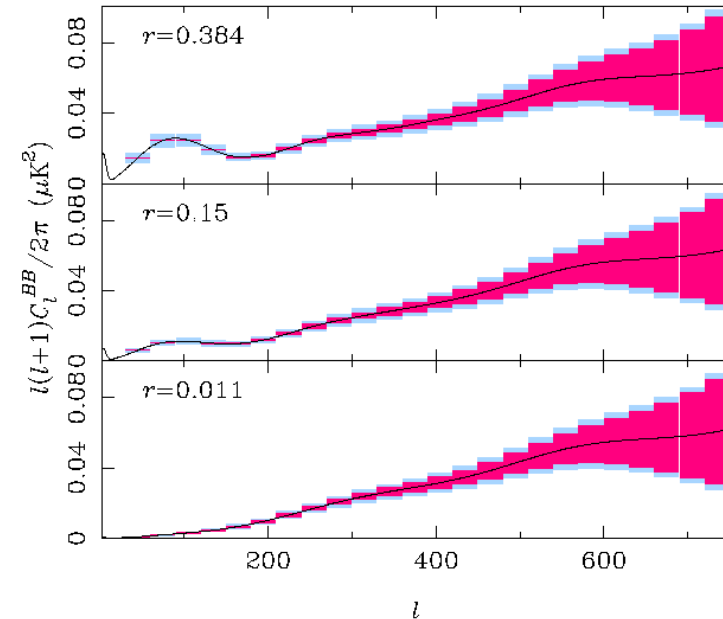
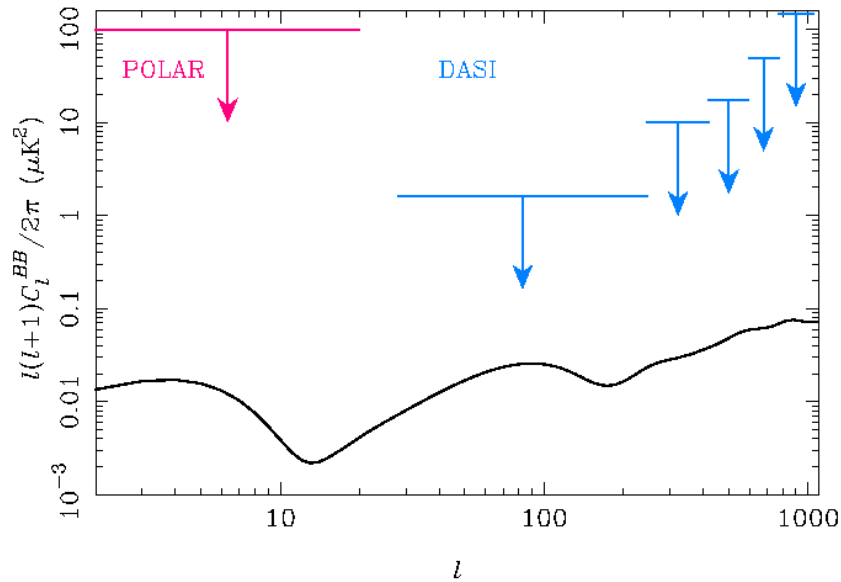
# E-mode polarization



- Assumes 15-deg radius observation with effective sensitivity  $200 \mu\text{K}\sqrt{\text{s}}$  after foreground removal and two seasons of integration ( $\sim$  one year)



# B-mode polarization



- Solid line current 68-per cent limit ( $r = 0.384$ ) from CMB and LSS
- B-mode power spectrum measurement limited by lensing confusion up to  $l \sim 300$  for  $r < 0.02$  (otherwise limited by sample variance of primordial B modes).

# Constraining the Energy Scale of Inflation

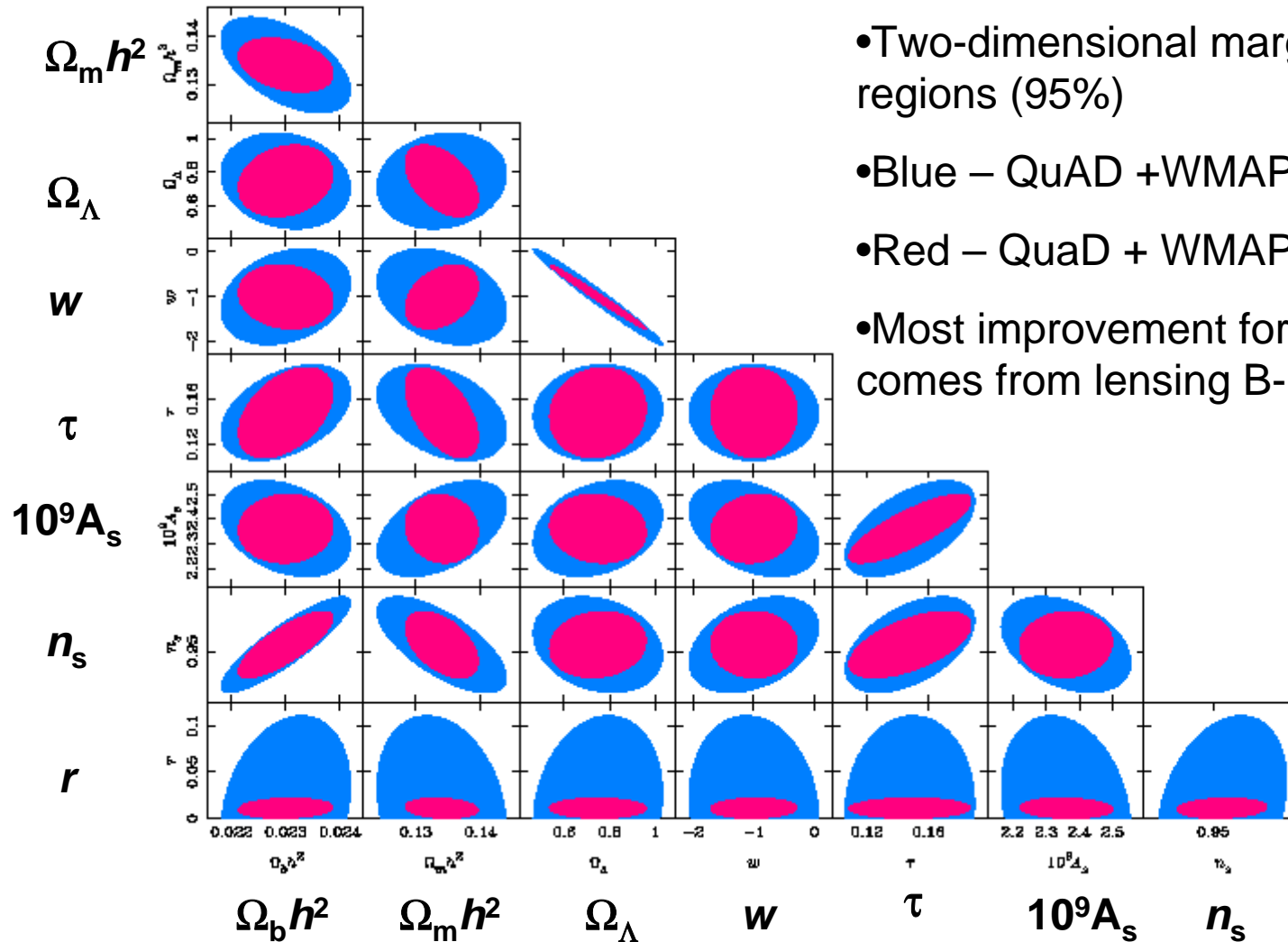
- Tensor amplitude directly related to energy scale of inflation:

$$V^{1/4} = 3.33 \times 10^{16} r^{1/4} (A_s / 2.3 \times 10^{-9})^{1/4} \text{ GeV}$$

- Current upper limit on  $r$  (0.384) gives  $V^{1/4} < 2.6 \times 10^{16} \text{ GeV}$
- $1\sigma$  error on  $r$  in null hypothesis:  $\Delta r = 0.004$ 
  - Should detect gravity waves from inflation if  $V^{1/4} > 0.8 \times 10^{16} \text{ GeV}$
  - Dimensionless strain of  $\Omega_{\text{GW}} h^2 \sim 10^{-16}$  on LISA scales  
( $10^{-4} \text{ Hz}$ ) c.f. sensitivity of  $10^{-13}$



# Parameter constraints from WMAP + QUaD + BICEP + CLOVER



- Two-dimensional marginalised confidence regions (95%)
- Blue – QuAD + WMAP + BICEP
- Red – QuAD + WMAP + BICEP + CLOVER
- Most improvement for  $\Omega_m h^2$ ,  $\Omega_\Lambda$ ,  $w$  and  $A_s$  comes from lensing B-modes.



# Clover Timescales

- Funding review this Friday
- If all goes well ...

2006 – 90 GHz

2007 – 90, 150 GHz

2008 – 90, 150, 220 GHz



# BRAIN

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# BRAIN Overview

- BRAIN is an interferometry development program
- Will be the first instrument to combine:
  - the superb sensitivity and bandwidth of bolometers
  - the systematic control of interferometers.
- Clover is complementary to BRAIN and uses many similar elements e.g. phase switches & hybrids.
- Ultimate aim to use BRAIN to measure the B-mode signal at low- $l$  where sensitivity and systematic control paramount.



# Technology Development

- The final instrument will require:
  - 256 horns
  - ~30,000 baseline combinations
- Low-loss, wide-band phase switches
- Beam combining
- Ultra-low loss signal path
- Fast, sensitive detectors

**Single baseline is now funded and being built**

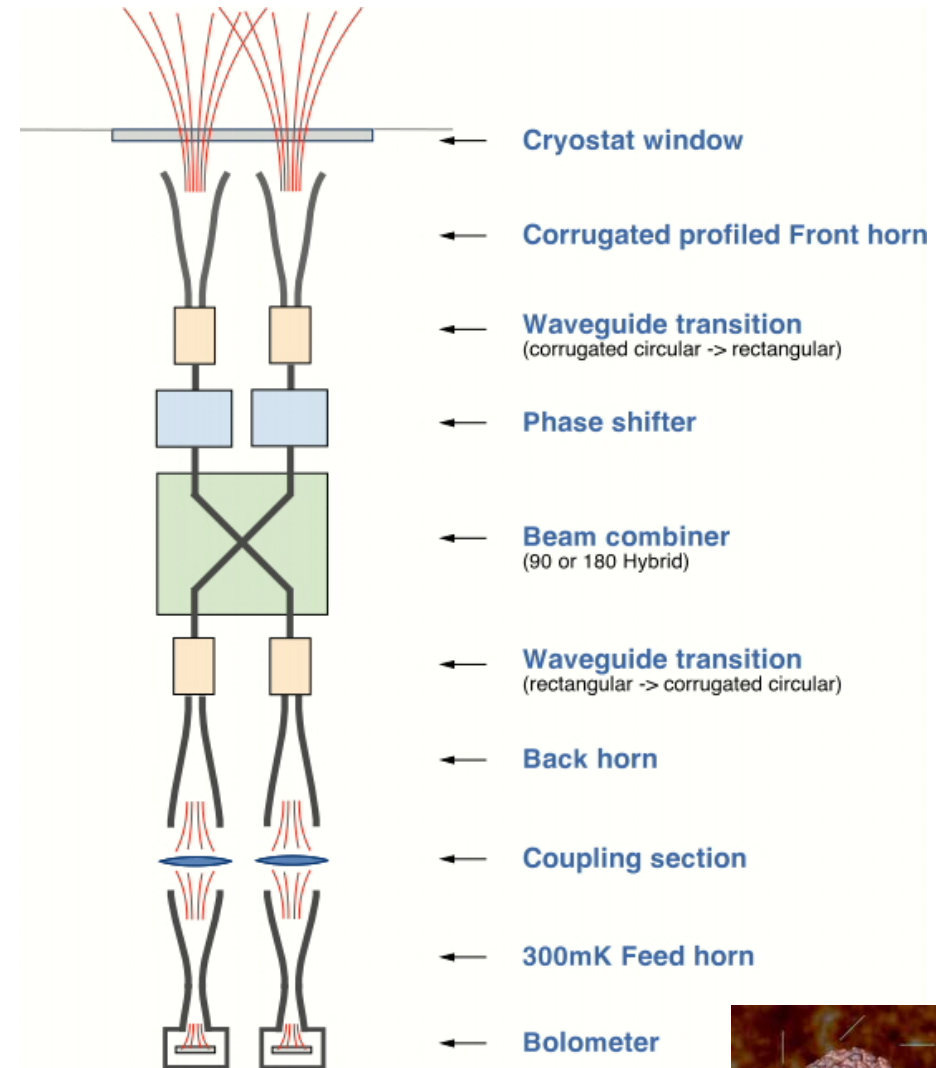


# Current plans

- Make single baseline out of available bits.  
(Archeops horns, Planck readout...)
- Operate at 90 GHz
- Take to Dome C in 2005.

If all goes well...

- Develop large-format combination arrays.
- 256 horns, ~30000 baselines, 3 frequencies
- A B-mode instrument for low-l within the next 5 years.





# Summary

Have described 2 complementary experiments to measure B-mode polarization within the next 5 years.

## CLOVER

- focal plane array utilising pseudo-correlation techniques
- will measure  $l = 20 - 1000$
- aim to be limited only by foreground signals
- phased deployment to Dome C 2006 – 2009.

## BRAIN

- the first bolometric interferometer
- test the required technology by 2004/5
- aim for complete instrument within 5 years.



# Bolometric Interferometry

- Can use bolometric detectors as multiplying element:

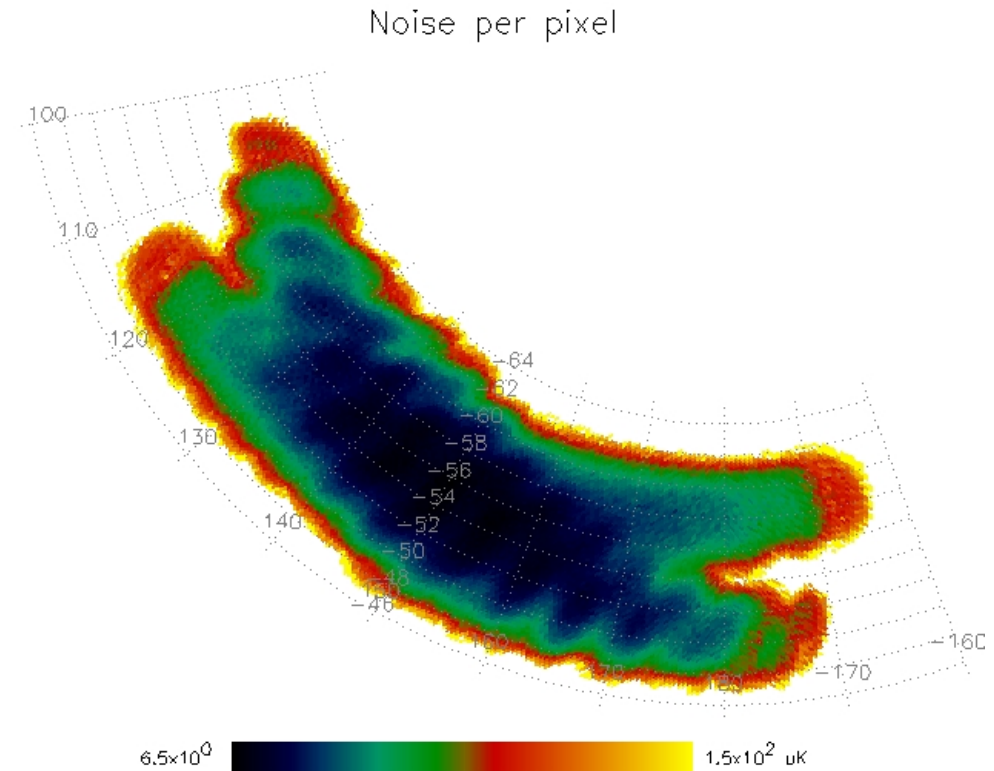
$$(A + B)^2 = A^2 + B^2 + 2AB$$

- Potential is to combine:
  - bandwidth & sensitivity of bolometers
  - systematic properties of interferometers.

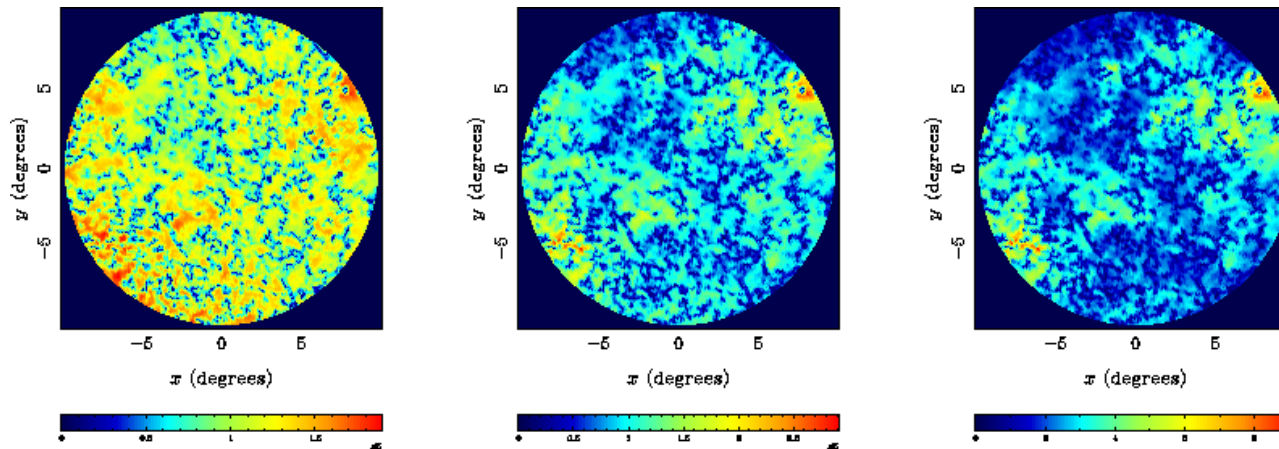


# Scanning Strategy

- Multi-cross strategy
- Scan in azimuth, elevation constant
- Return to same sky patch so cross-link
- Periodically rotate telescope about pointing axis
- Ideally want circular patch, 15-deg radius

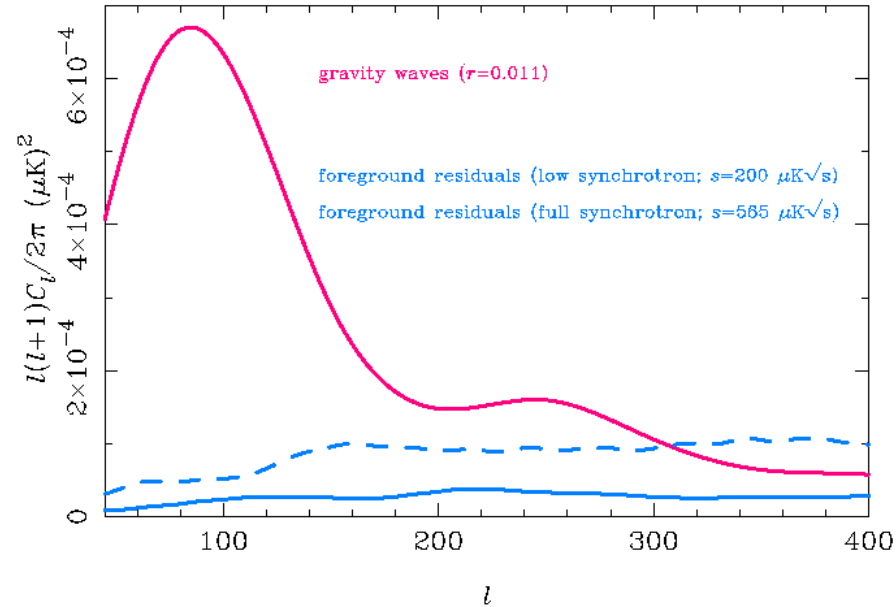


# Foreground Removal



- Synchrotron based on maps of Giardino et al. (2002) extrapolated with their spectral index map for total intensity
- Dust based on Finkbeiner, Davis & Schlegel (1999), assuming 10-per cent polarization fraction aligned with synchrotron (worst case).

# Foreground Removal



- Simple linear combination technique assumes no spectral or spatial information for foregrounds.

