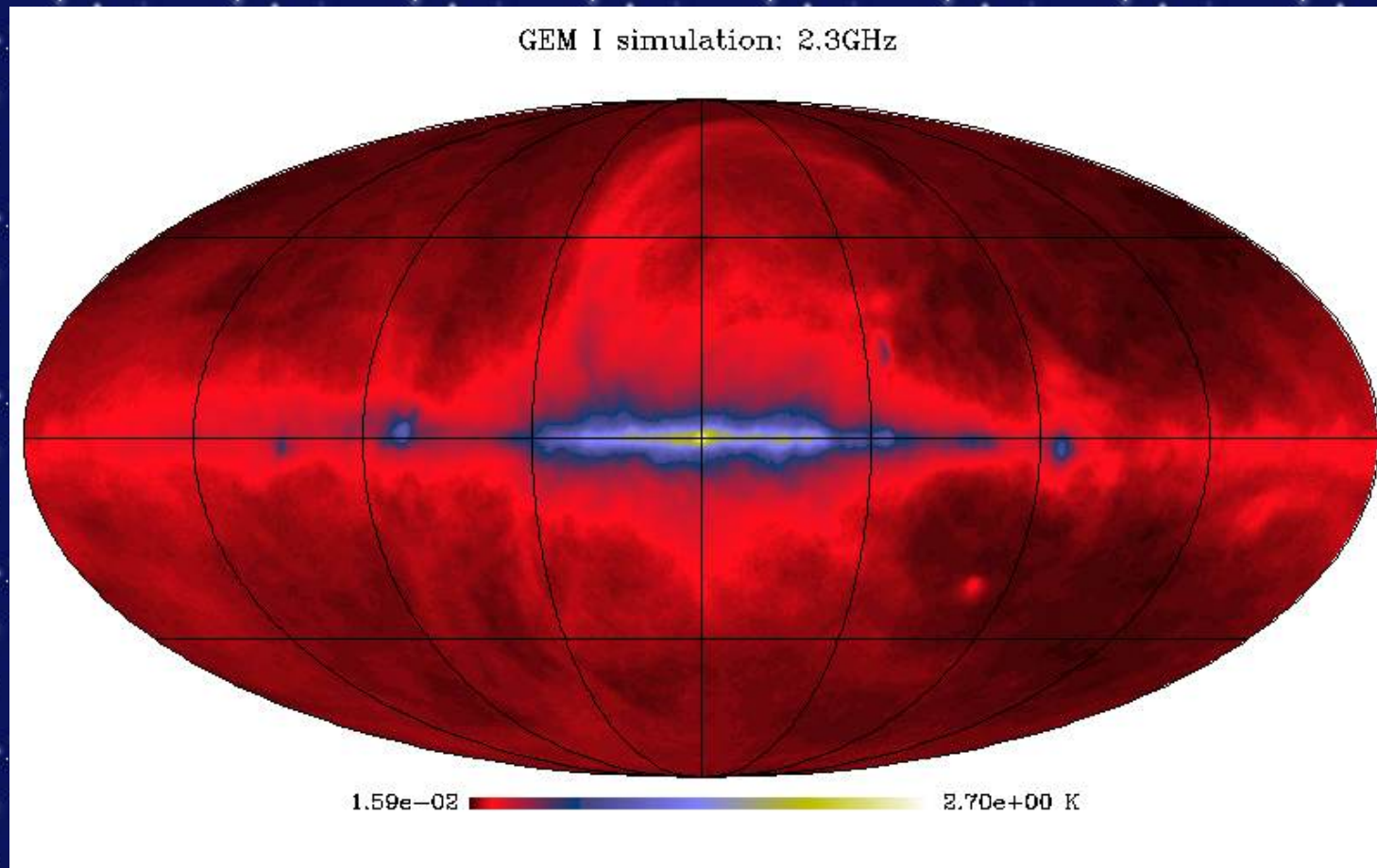
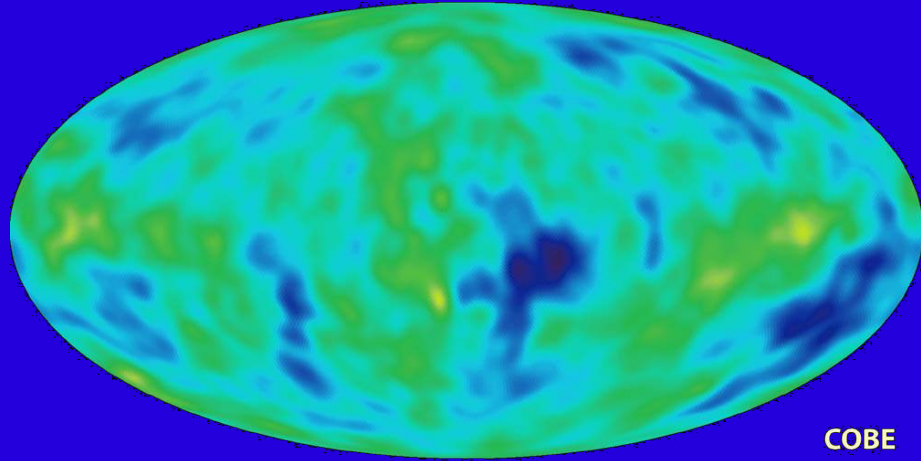


Probing CMB Polarized Foregrounds: The GEM experiment

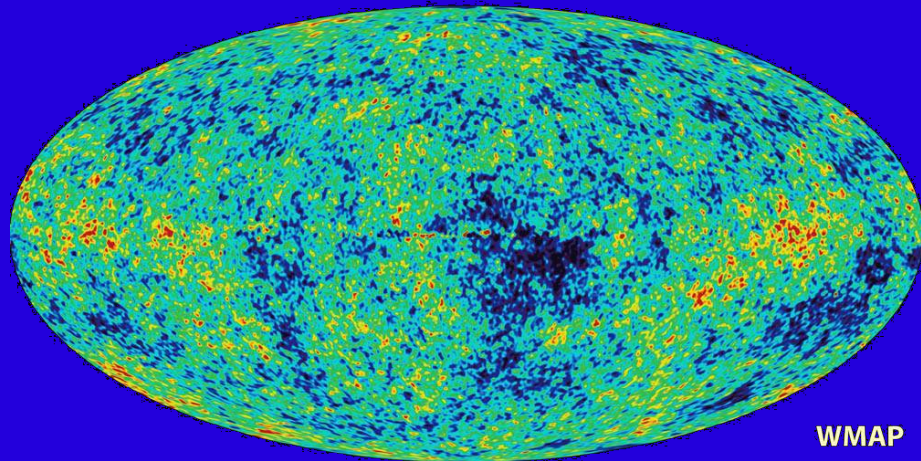
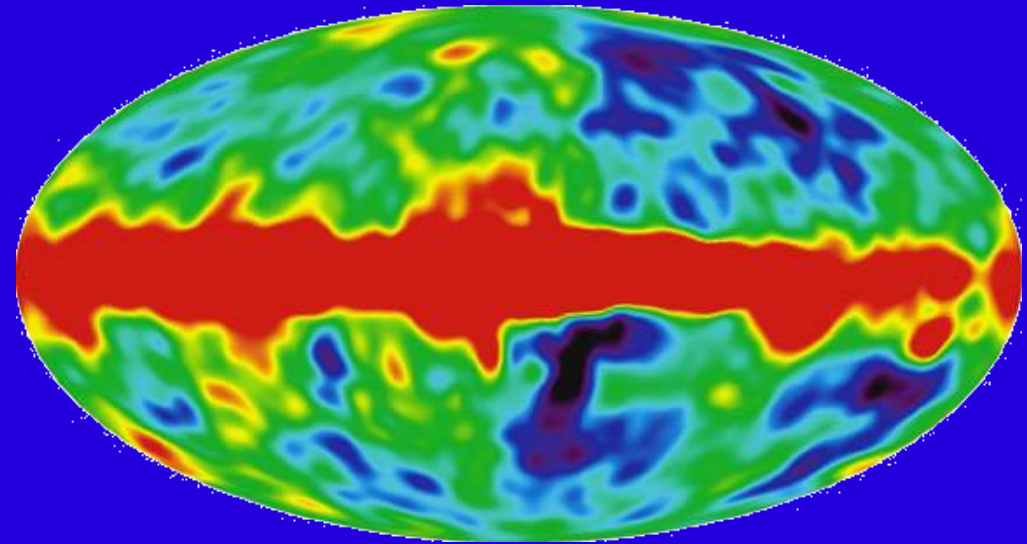


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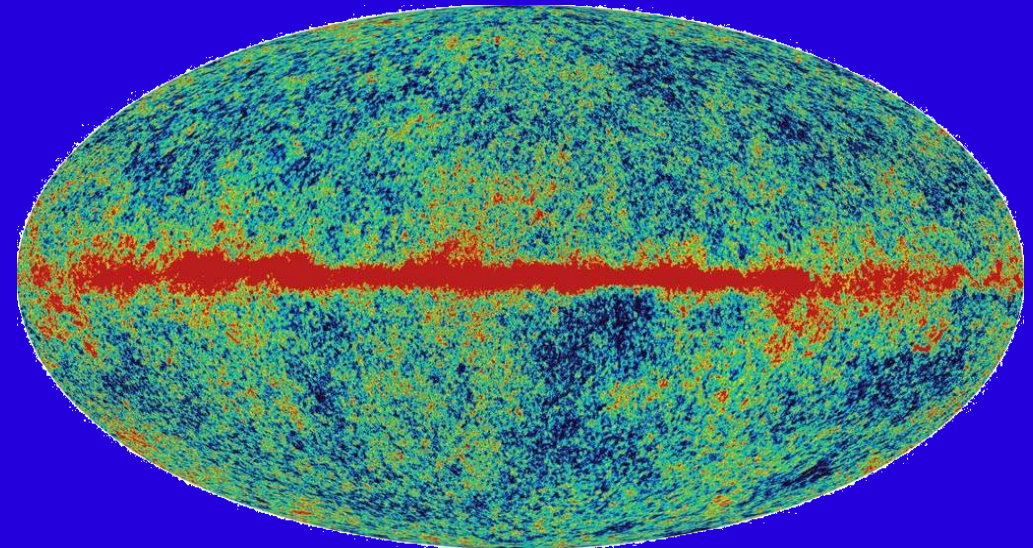
From COBE to WMAP



COBE

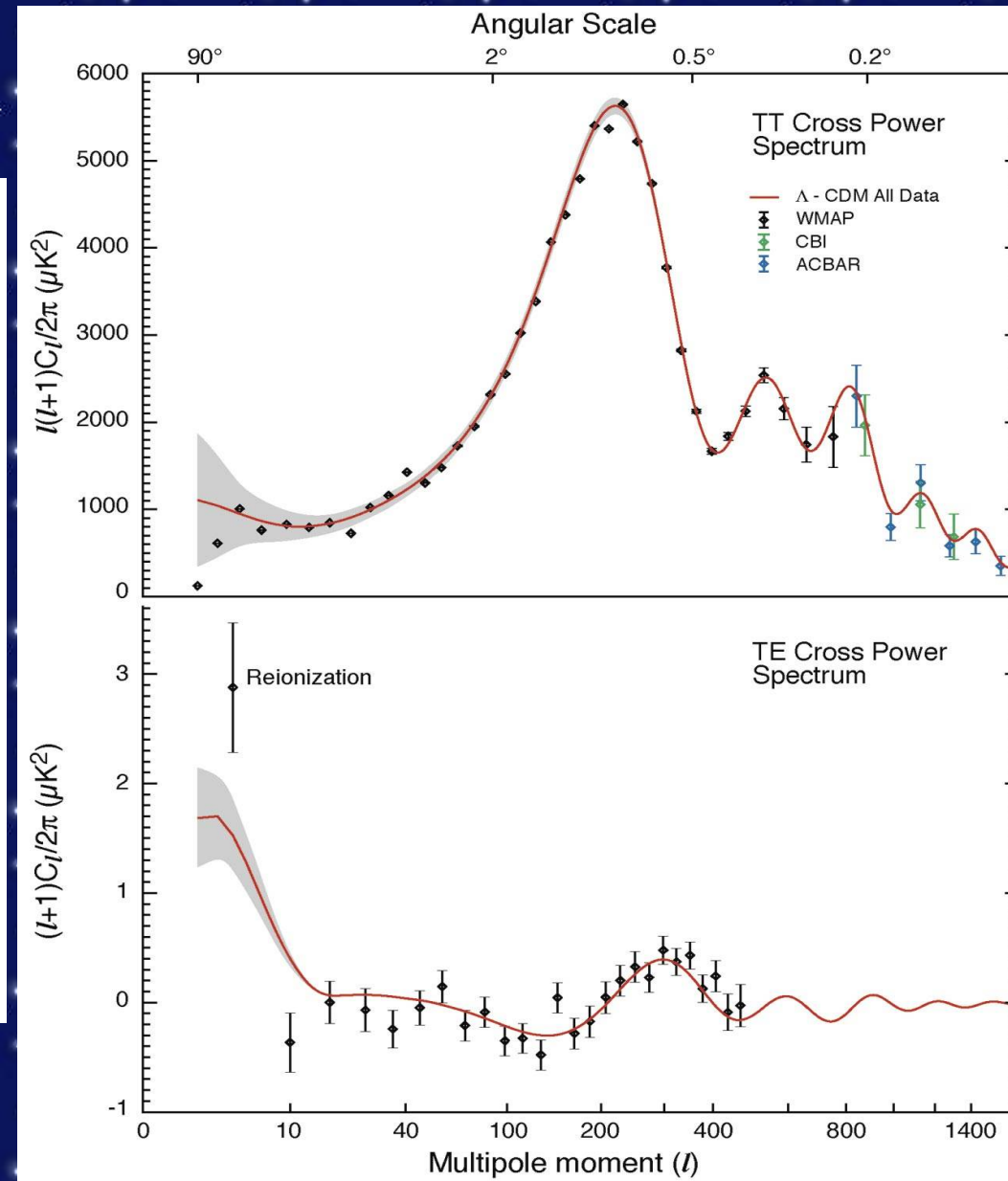
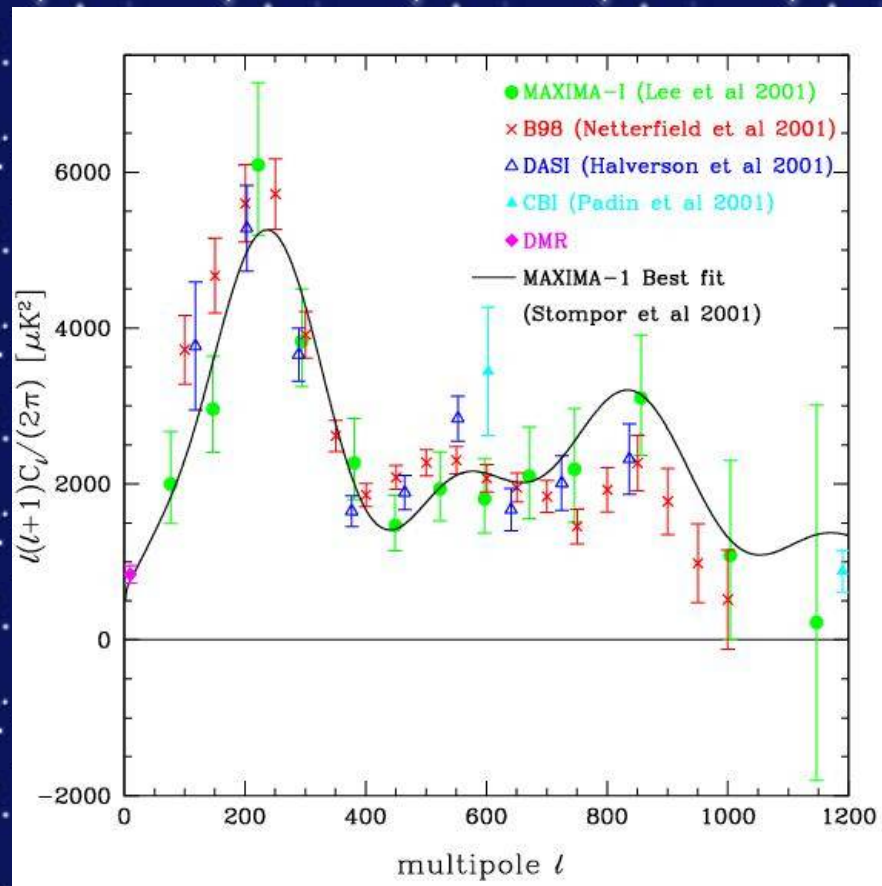


WMAP



Courtesy of the NASA/WMAP Science Team

And the power spectra changed...



Constraining Inflation

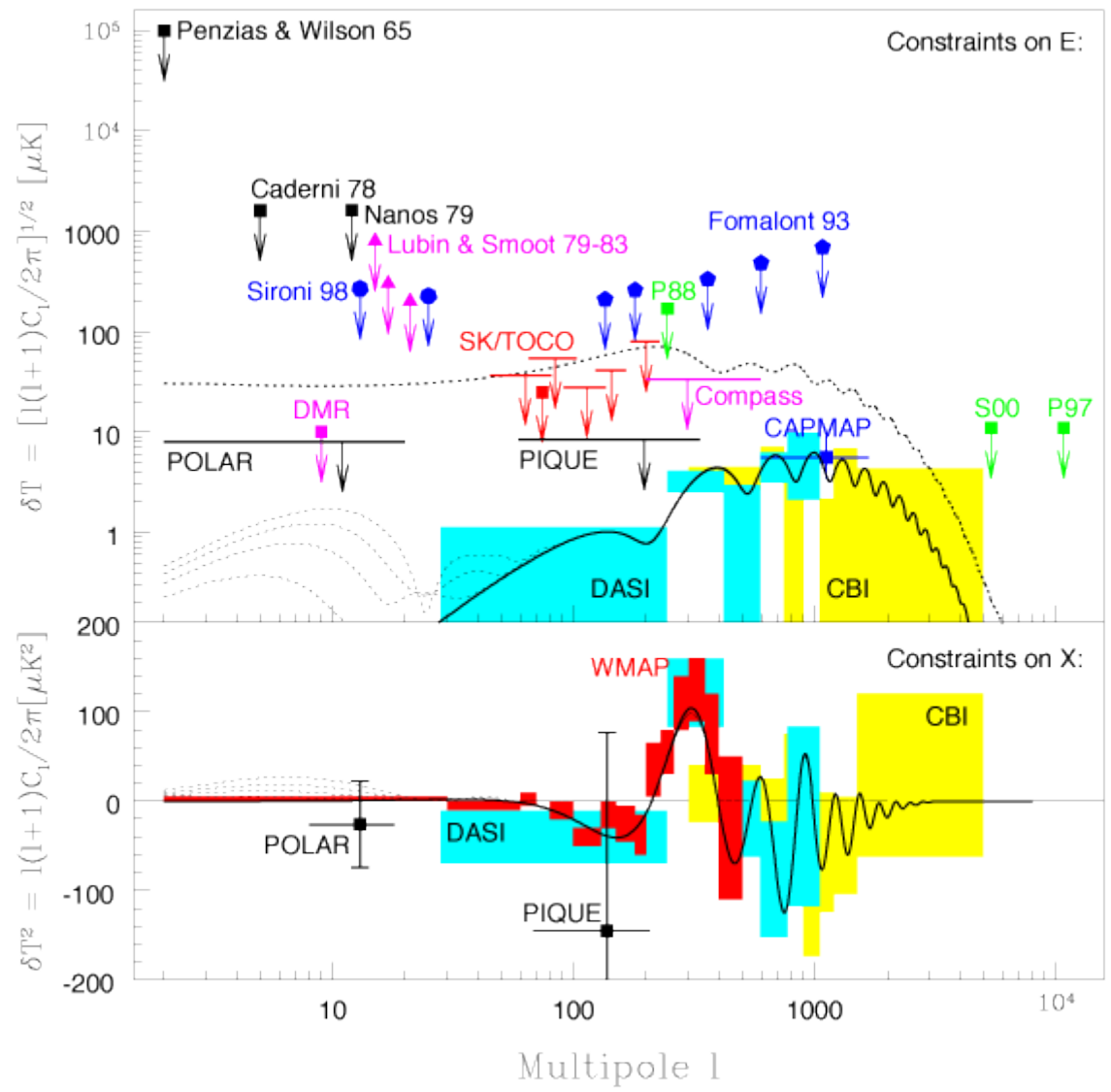
- Accurate measurement of the CMB can constrain the nature of the inflationary potential

- in particular the ratio of scalar to tensor fluctuation amplitude $r=T/S$

$$\sim V^{1/4}/m_{\text{pl}}$$

- and the *slope* n of the assumed power-law spectrum $P(k)$:

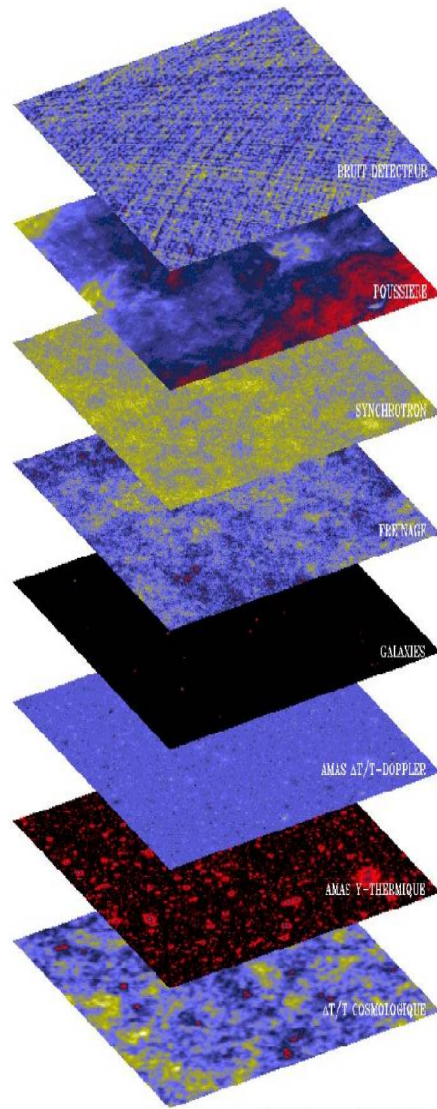
$$n - 1 = \frac{d \ln(P_k)}{d \ln(k)}$$



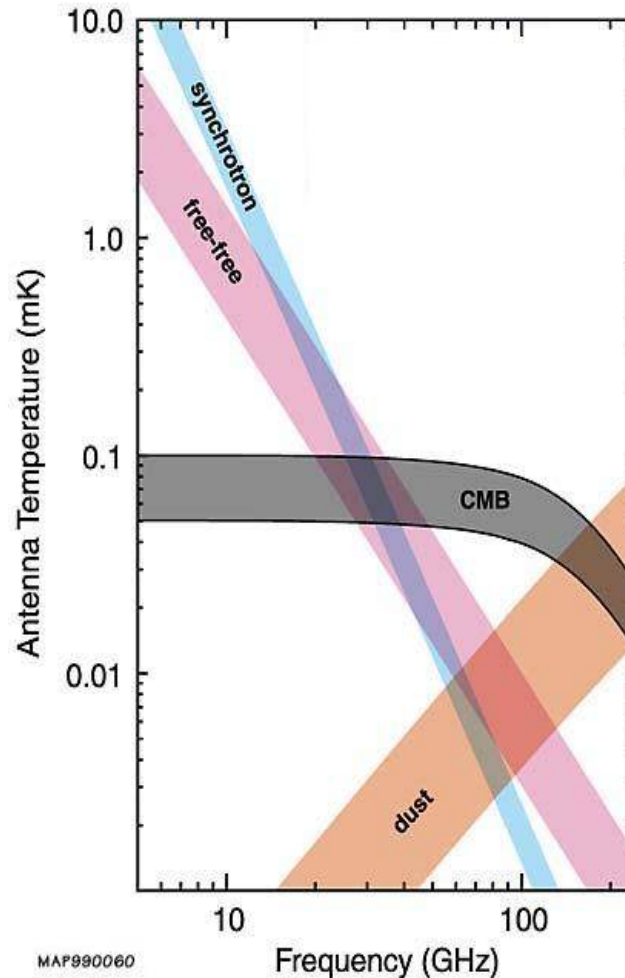
Good knowledge of foregrounds

needed

Why Planck Needs 30–857 GHz: Foregrounds



V.R. BOUCHET & R. GISPERT 1996



- Choose frequencies to avoid galactic synchrotron and free-free (>40 GHz) and dust emission (< 200 GHz).
- Cost: difficult from ground, better be a balloon or a satellite...

Worse for Polarization

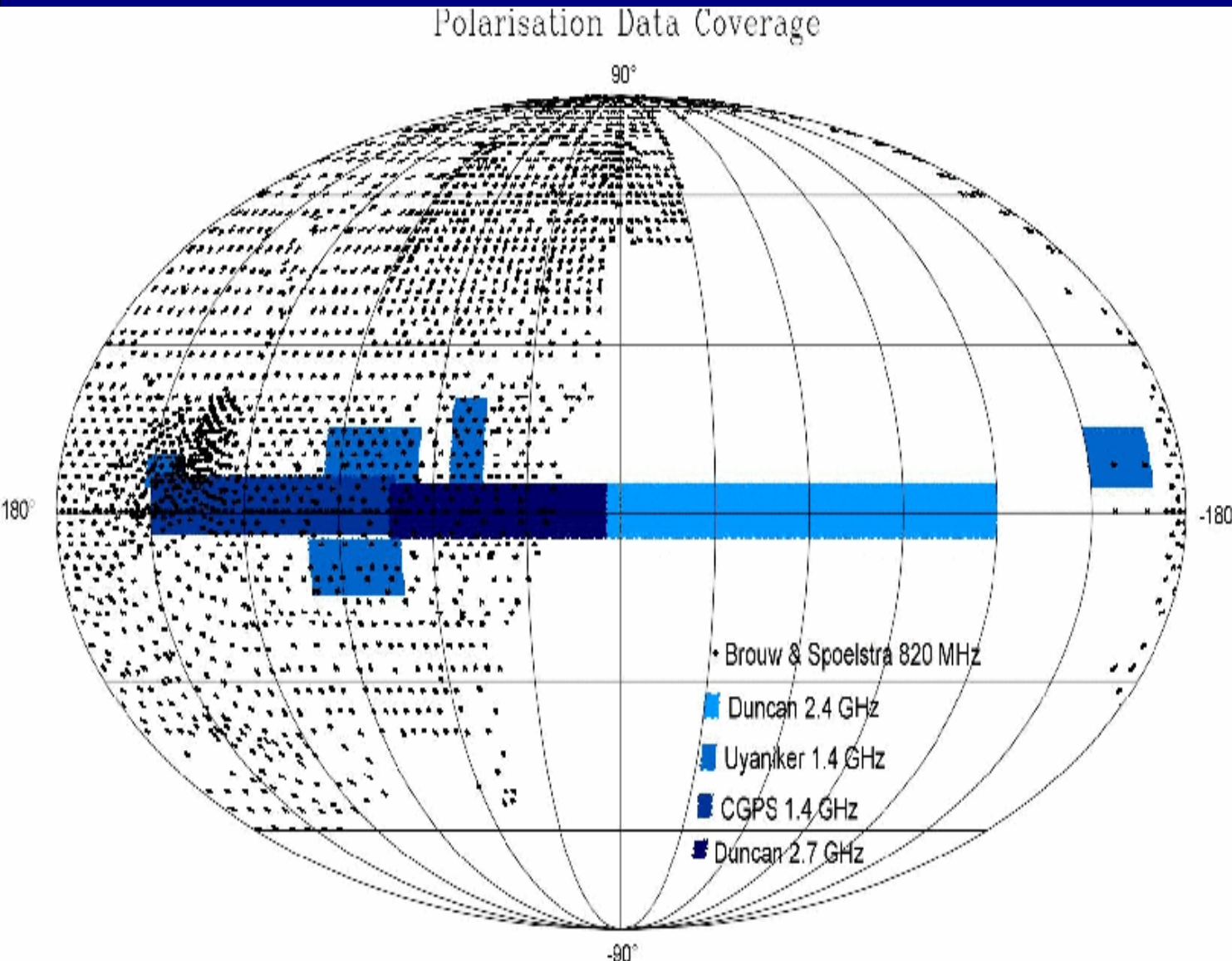
- E-modes have

some difficulties from synchrotron.

B-modes need reliable templates.

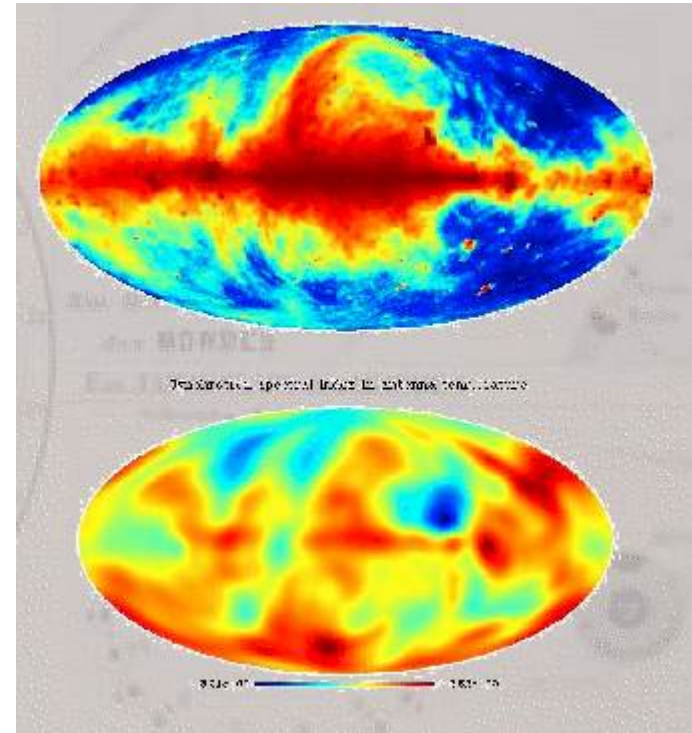
Real templates don't exist.

Simulate templates!



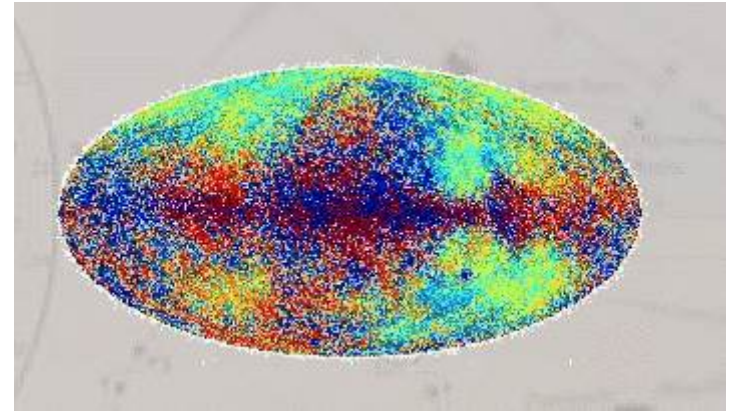
Synchrotron T

- **T template from Haslam et al. (1982), assumed Gaussian on sub-degree scales**
- **Spectral index inferred from radio observations (Giardino et al. 2002)**



Synchrotron Q,U

- Assuming synchrotron theoretical polarization in Haslam et al. (1982)
- Random polarisation angle with fluctuations spectrum C_l / l^{-2} , as inferred from radio band up to $b' 20^\circ$ (Baccigalupi et al. 2001, Giardino et al. 2002)



Next Steps: Critical Updates

- **Synchrotron: we desperately need polarization observations at high Galactic latitudes. Extrapolation with the Giardino et al. estimated spectral index yields a too high signal, option with constant spectral index possibly reasonable**

Galaxy Emission Mapper



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Italy

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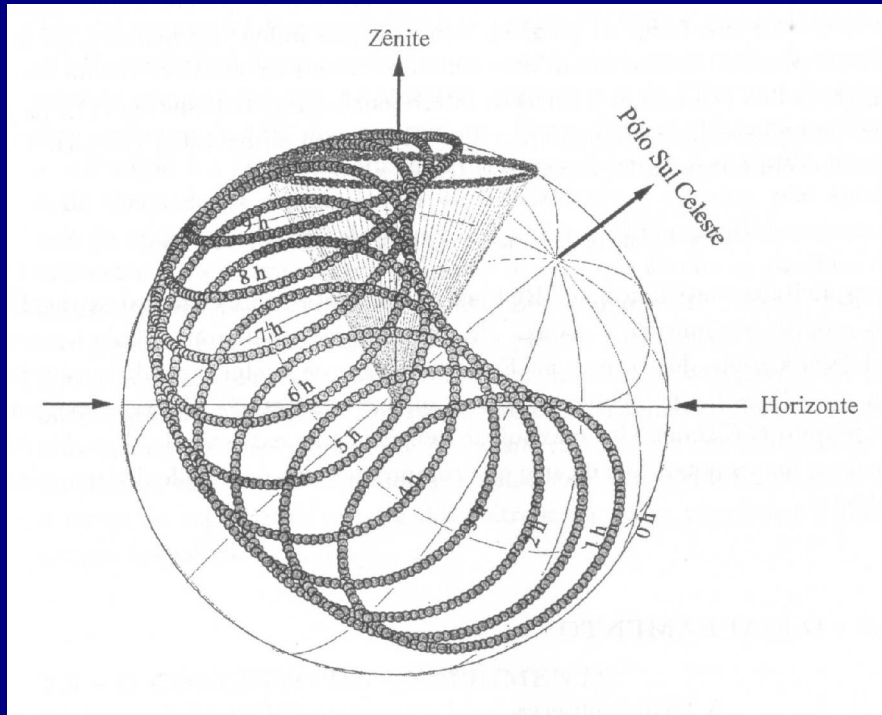
and now (2005):

CENTRA/IST &

I.Telecomunicações/

U.Aveiro, Portugal

We can transport it!



- Now at Cachoeira Paulista (São Paulo, Brasil).
- Observations at 408, 1465 and 2300 Mhz.
- Upgrade to 5 GHz polarimeter

Survey strategy: cover 50% of the sky

- rotation in azimuth,
- **constant elevation** – good for destripping
- resolution : 45' - 1°

- Large scale, absolute calibration

Polarized Galactic Emission Mapping @ 5-10 GHz

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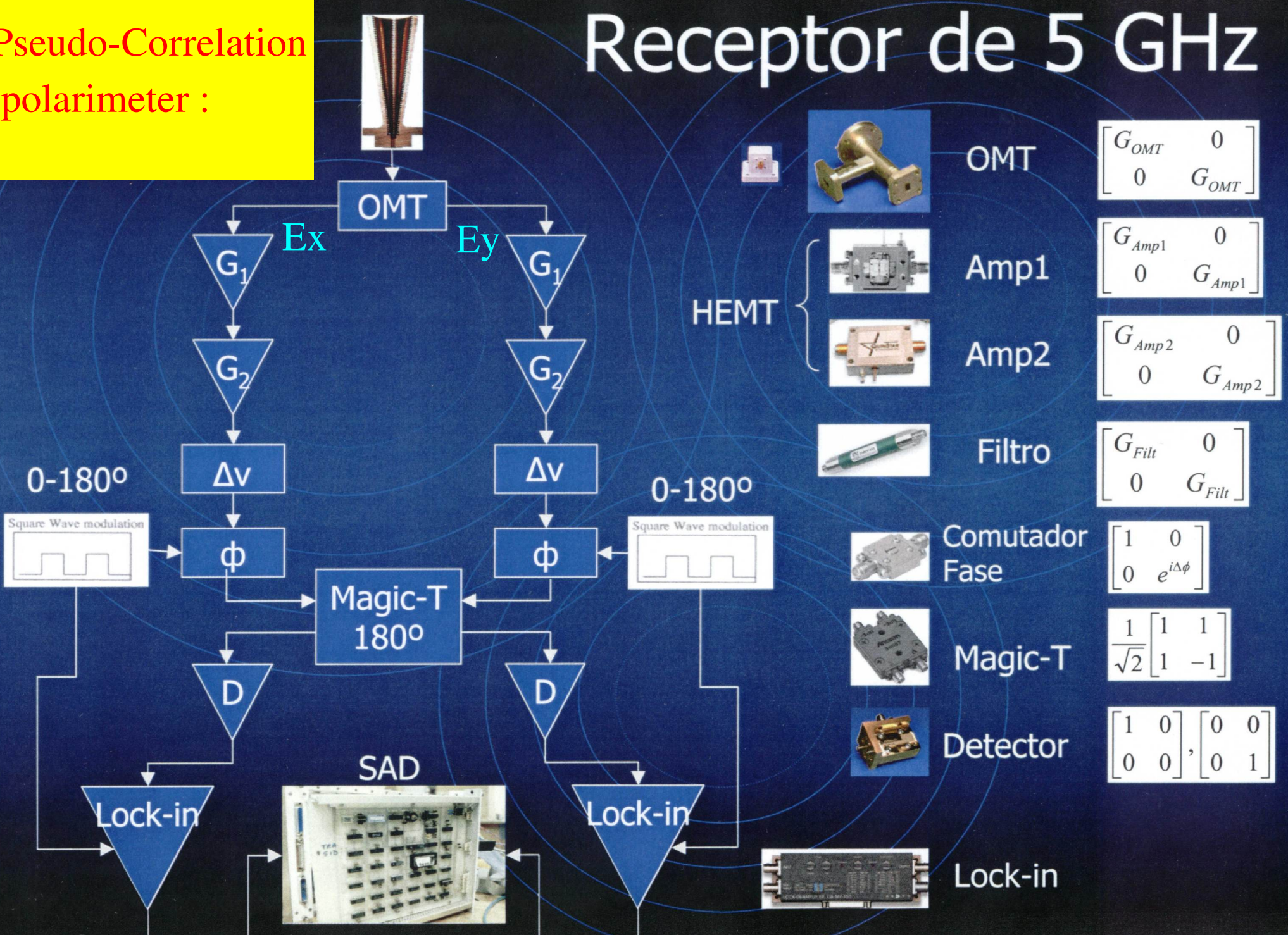
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Bartlett, G.Rocha



- Cover South Sky with 5.5-m dish
- Cover North Sky with 9-m dish .
- Resolution 45'-1.5°.
- Low noise cryogenic front-ends.

Pseudo-Correlation polarimeter :

Receptor de 5 GHz



OMT

$$\begin{bmatrix} G_{OMT} & 0 \\ 0 & G_{OMT} \end{bmatrix}$$

Amp1

$$\begin{bmatrix} G_{Amp1} & 0 \\ 0 & G_{Amp1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Amp2

$$\begin{bmatrix} G_{Amp2} & 0 \\ 0 & G_{Amp2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Filtro

$$\begin{bmatrix} G_{Filt} & 0 \\ 0 & G_{Filt} \end{bmatrix}$$

Comutador Fase

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\Delta\phi} \end{bmatrix}$$

Magic-T

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Detector

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Lock-in

Sensibilidade do receptor

Sensibilidade do receptor

$$\Delta T_{\min} = T_{\text{sys}} \sqrt{\frac{1}{\Delta \nu t} + \left(\frac{\Delta G}{G}\right)^2}$$

Temperatura do sistema

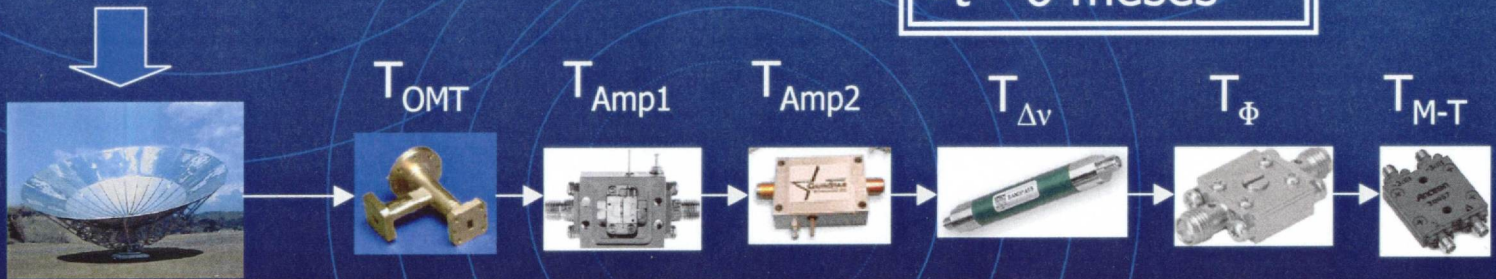
$$T_{\text{sys}} = T_A + T_R$$

- $T_{\text{sys}} = 21,23\text{K}$
- $\Delta T_{\min} = 2,14\text{mK}$
- $G = 5,85 \times 10^6$
- $t \sim 6$ meses



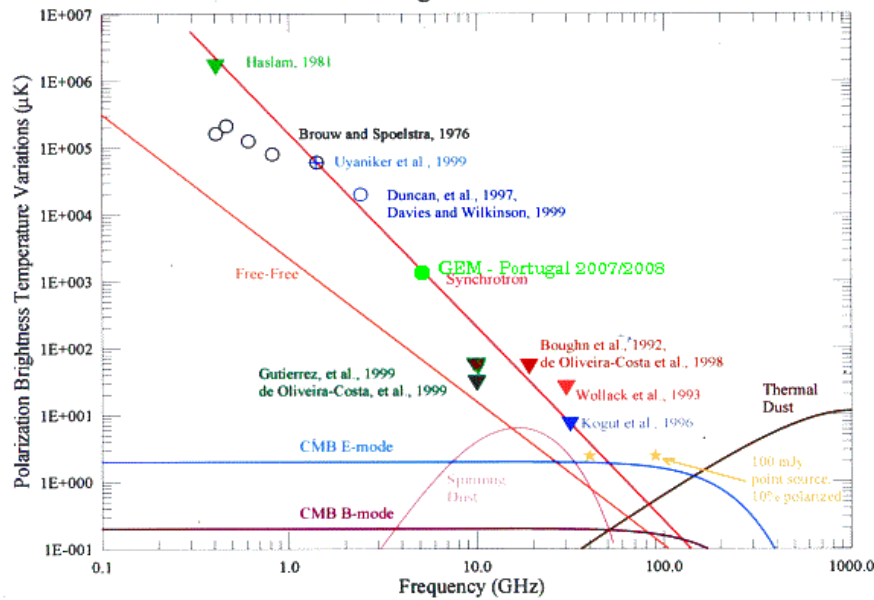
$$T_A = \sum T_i$$

$$+ T_{A, \text{ant}}$$



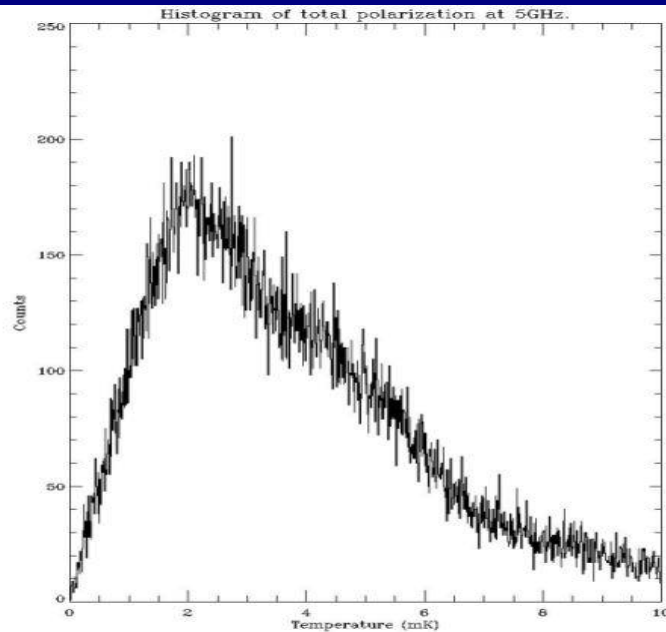
$$T_R = T_{\text{OMT}} + \frac{T_{\text{Amp1}}}{G_{\text{OMT}}} + \frac{T_{\text{Amp2}}}{G_{\text{OMT}} \times G_{\text{Amp1}}} + \frac{T_{\text{Filtro}}}{G_{\text{OMT}} \times G_{\text{Amp1}} \times G_{\text{Amp2}}} + \frac{T_{\text{PhaseShift}}}{G_{\text{OMT}} \times G_{\text{Amp1}} \times G_{\text{Amp2}} \times G_{\text{Filtro}}} + \dots$$

Brightness Temperature Spectra of Polarization Foregrounds
at 0.2°-0.5° Angular Scales near the NCP



So, where is GEM ?

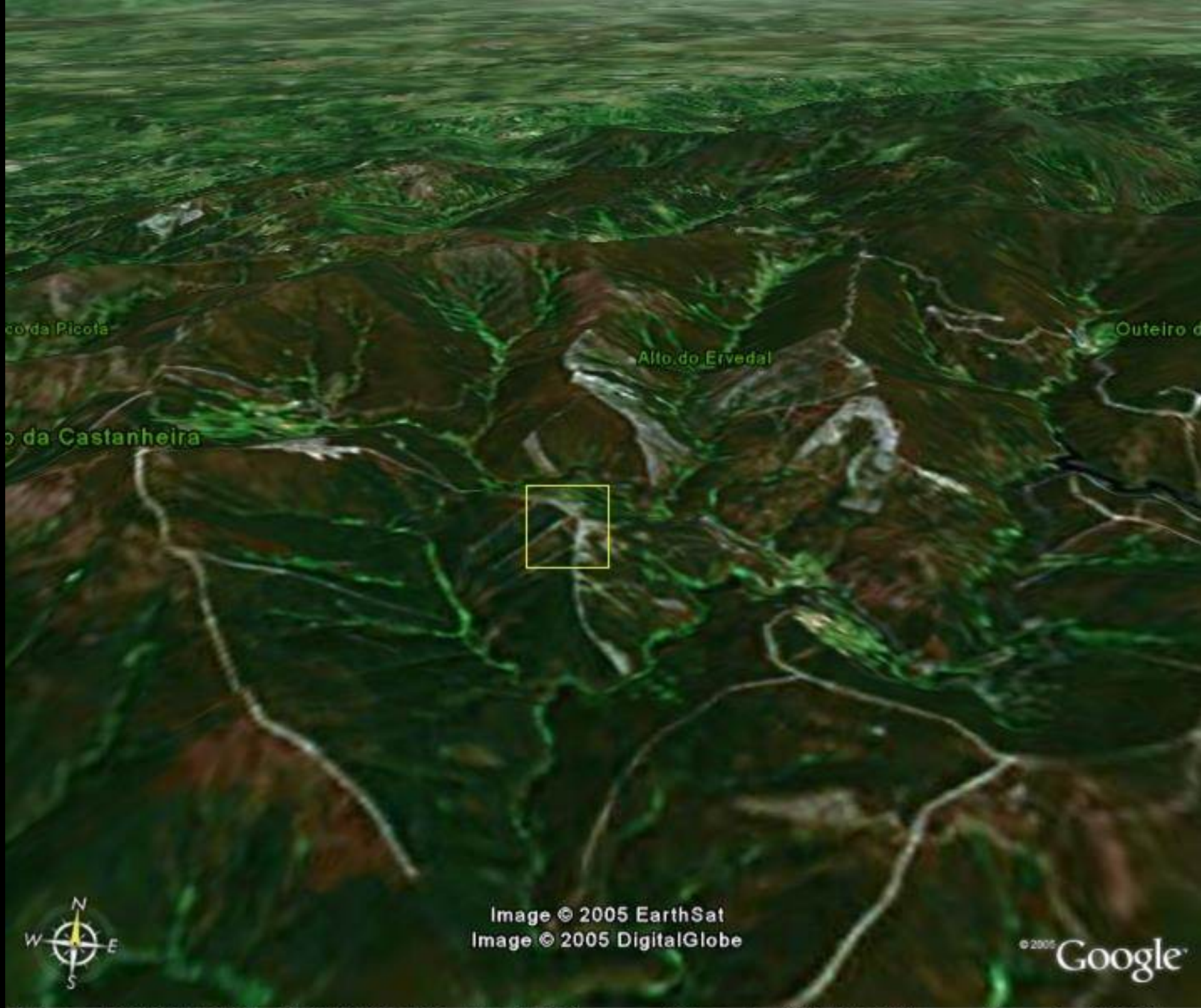
**2.3 GHz data coming
Tello et al., 2005, in
preparation**



**95% of pixels > 2mK
total P
sensitivity, U,Q ~ 1mK**







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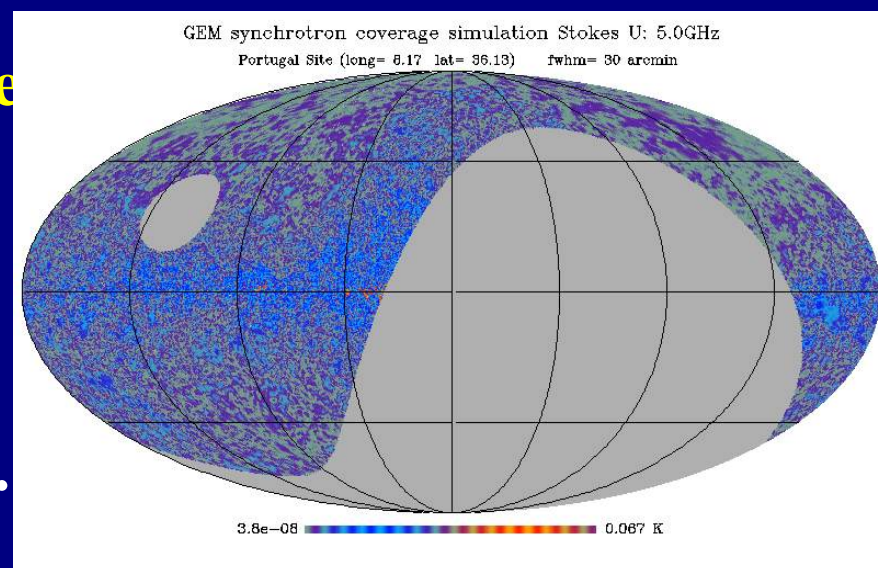
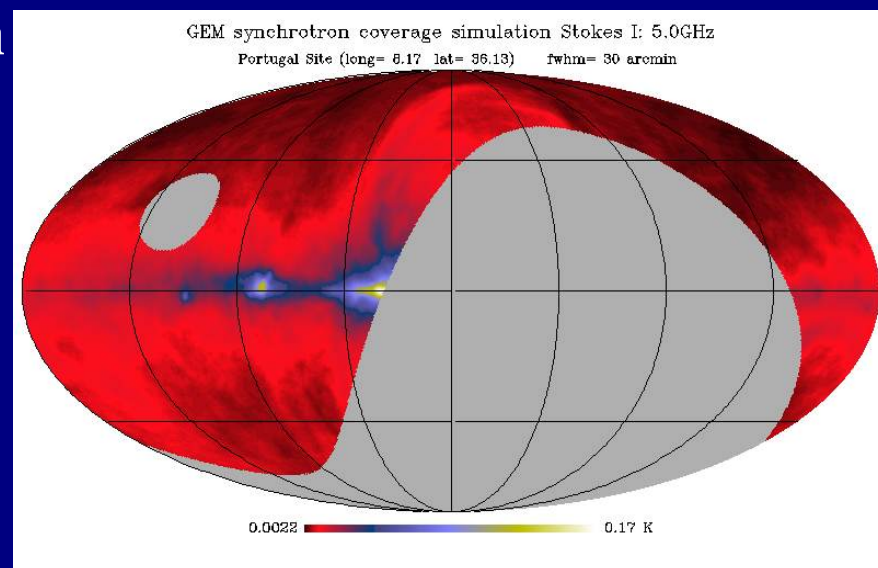
Conclusions

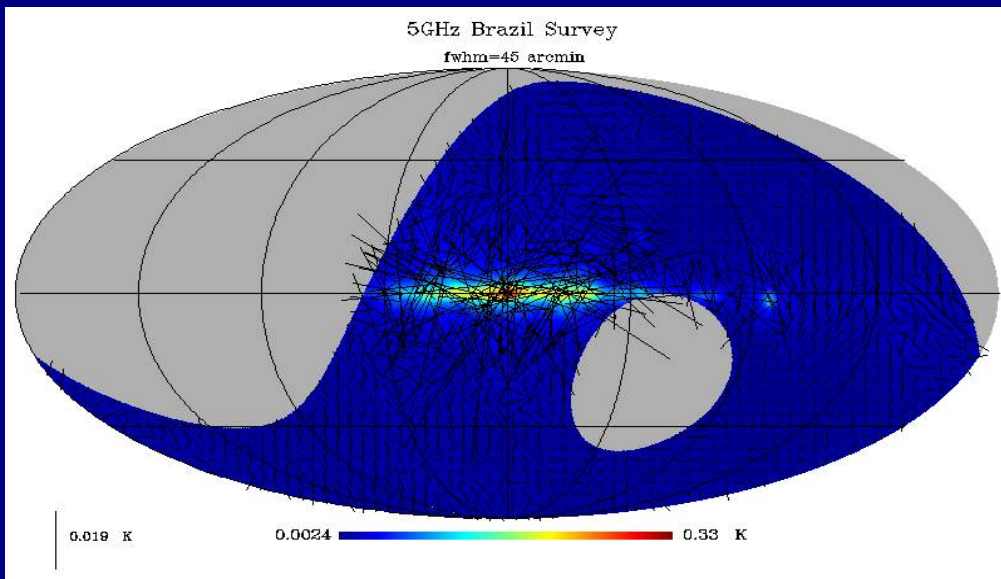
* GEM will **map** the polarized synchrotron foreground of the galaxy with absolute calibration.

* Legacy data directly feeding Planck Surveyor data needs.

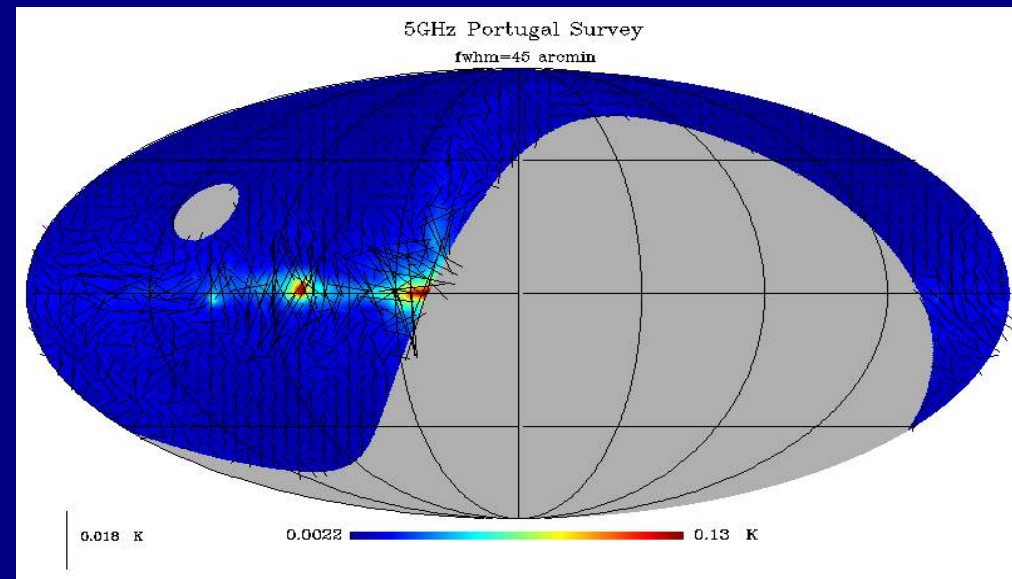
* **Biggest polarization foreground template.**
Merge with Brazil data (2007-2008) for an almost complete sky covered (85%) polarized synchrotron map.

** Start upgrade for 10 GHz to probe spectral change of the seXIest foreground...

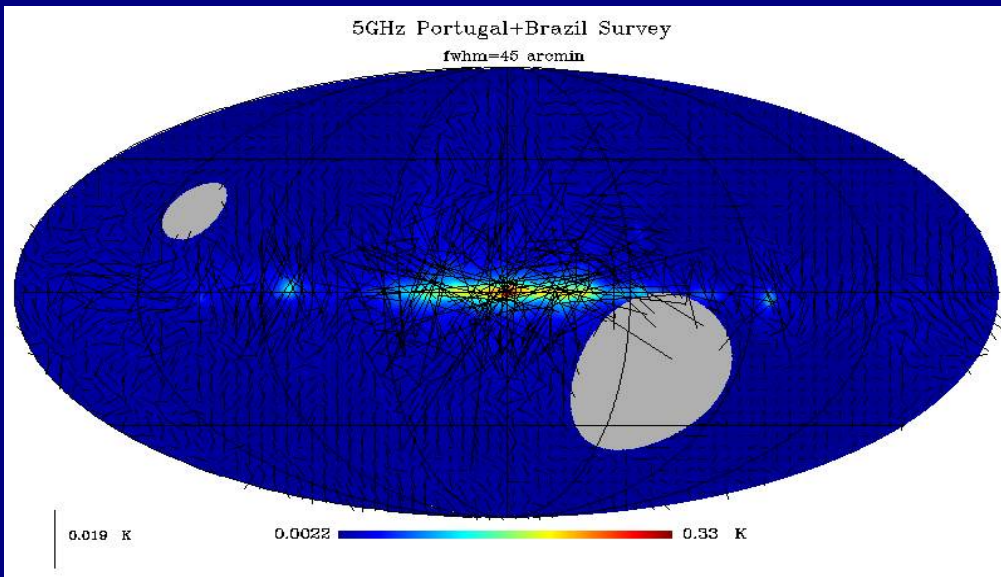




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