Schedule for M4 Meeting (October 21-22, 1999)

Day 1, October 21, 1999

Note: The sessions from 10:20 through 13:40 on 10/21 will be open to the <u>CfA</u> Community.

TimeDuration Moderator or Speaker			Торіс	Comments	
8:50	0:25	Clemens	SMEX Program: Opportunities, Constraints	Including "live" input from J. Howard, Ball Representative	
9 :15	0:25	Jones	M4/97 - Primary Science Mission, Instrument, S/C, Orbit/Operations	<u>1997 M4 proposal available at web site</u>	
<mark>9:40</mark>	0:25	Laureijs, Schulz	Satellite Polarimetry:ISO - Lessons learned, Enabled Science	Discussion of satellite & data processing issues, science after break	
10:05	0:15		Coffee Break		
10:20	0:15	Goodman	Science Intro & Quick Summary of Polarimetric "Discoveries" Since '97		
<mark>10:35</mark>	0:20	Klaas	ISO PHT Polarimetry	Science results from ISO Polarimetry	
10:55	0:20	Greaves	SCUBA Polarization Results	Impact of current & future sub-mm polarimetry on M4	Ţ
11:15	0:15	Dowell	Wavelength Dependence of Thermal Emission Polarization	Including implications for choice of M4 wavelength(s)	
11:30	0:15	Myers	Interferometer Polarization Results & Plans	Impact of current & future sub-mm interferometer polarimetry on M4	
11:45	0:20	Heiles	Constraints on the Milky Way B-field from Background Starlight + More	Current & future use of Opt/IR results w/FIR/submm	
12:05	0:50		Catered Lunch for Invitees		

12:55	0:25	Lazarian	CMBR Polarization, including MAP's plans	AG talked with D. Spergel & will add information on MAP plans
13:20	0:20	Heyer	Lage CO Surveys, Current & Planned	Discussion of how these surveys will be used with M4 to get "3-D" field
13:40	0:15	Goodman (moderator)	Discussion of Preliminary M4 Science Goals, Identification of Issues to Discuss Further	Notes will be taken & distributed at end of this session.
13:55	0:10		Short Break while Participants Break into Discussion Groups, Leaders & Rooms Assigned	
14:05	0:55		Groups deliberate, rank science, estimate needs & observational requirements	One person leads discussion, another takes notes for a summary
15:00	0:05		Short Break while Particpants Reassemble in Main Conference Room	
15:05	0:10	Milky Way Leader	Presentation of Milky Way Survey Goals	Tentative Leader: Goodman
15:15	0:10	Star Formation Leader	Presentation of Star Formation Goals	Tentative Leader: Myers
15:25	0:10	Cirrus Leader	Presentation of Cirrus Survey Goals	Tentative Leader: Heiles
<mark>15:35</mark>	0:10	Nearby Galaxy Leader	Presentation of Nearby Galaxy Goals	Tentative Leader: Jones
16:00	1:00	Bo Reipurth	<u>CfA Colloquium on pc-scale</u> Outflows, Phillips Auditorium, preceded by Tea	several attendees requested "time off" to attend, no formal M4 sessions then
17:10	0:35	Clemens	M4/99 Primary Science Program described, prioritized. Guest Observer Program discussed, developed.	Discussions of this continue at dinner.

17:45	Day 1 Formal Sessions End	
18:30		Transportation will be arranged.

Day 2, October 22, 1999							
TimeDuration Moderator or Speaker			Торіс	Comments			
9:15	0:20	Goodman	Review/Discussion of M4 Mission, v.99, as it Stands After Day 1 & a Good Night's Sleep				
9:35	0:30	Howard/Ellis	Technology I: Ball Instrument & S/C	Including discussion of similar projects in accomplished			
10:05	0:25	Young	Technology II: Arizona Ge Detector Arrays	SIRTF technology, current technology, future technology			
10:30	0:20		Coffee Break				
10:50	0:30	Clemens	M4 Management Issues, Structure, Plan	Description of steps that need to be accomplished			
<mark>11:20</mark>	0:30	Jones	M4 Schedule Discussion	Goals, Deadlines			
11:50	0:30	Clemens (moderator)	Science Team Assignments	"Volunteers" will be drafted for future tasks			
12:20	0:10		Pre-Lunch-Talk Break				
12:30	1:10		CfA "Radio Group" Lunch Talk, by M4 Meeting Participant(s)	Lunch provided for participants			
13:40	3:00	Clemens/Jones (moderators)	M4 Implementation Discussions	Including: Requirements, Data, Mission Lifetime Orbit, Instrument, Telescope, Light Analysis,S/C, Data Xfer, Operations, Trade Studies			
<mark>16:40</mark>			Meeting Adjourns	Informal Dinner to be Arranged			

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SMEX Program: Opportunities & Constraints

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10/21/99





Outline

- Welcome
- Meeting Goals
- Meeting Structure
- NASA's Small Explorer Program for 2000
- Timeline/Schedule for this Announcement of Opportunity (AO)
- Odd, Ends, & Technomagerialbabble
- Proposal Document Contents & Constraints
- Cost M4's 900lb gorilla





Meeting Goals

- Highest Priority
 - Identify and describe the best science program which can be accomplished by M4 given SMEX program constraints
 - Identify and describe the most cost effective M4 implementation which will deliver the data required by the science program within SMEX constraints
 - Identify and deputize key individuals who will take responsibility for contributing components of the M4 proposal
 - Identify and describe a management plan for M4, including naming individuals in all key project positions





Meeting Goals II

- Priority
 - Identify trade studies and calculations which must be performed to support the M4 proposal
 - Identify individuals/units who will perform the trade studies and calculations
 - Identify high risk items in the instrument, S/C, operations, data processing/analysis, and management
 - Recommend alternatives or mitigations for high risk items
- Important
 - Build a strong team spirit and have some fun along the way
 - Identify ground-based or airborne studies
 which would help leverage M4 and vice-versa
 - Recommend potential reviewers to NASA
 - Gain increased understanding of space-based astrophysics mission elements and capabilities.





Meeting Structure

- Two, overlapping meetings:
 - Science meeting designing the best M4 science
 - Techniques meeting designing the best M4 satellite
- Science First
 - Describe SMEX program
 - Describe M4/1997 Science, Implementation
 - Recent Science update (ISO, JCMT, etc.)
 - Revisit M4 Science Plan
- Hardware & Operations Second
 - Detectors
 - Dewars, Instrument
 - Spacecraft (S/C)
 - Operations
- Firm Writing Assignments
 - Red Team meets in 4 weeks





NASA's SMEX Program

• Part of the Explorer Program

Class	Cost	Frequency
UNEX	7.5M\$	1 / yr
SMEX	75M\$	1 / yr
MIDEX	150M\$	1 / yr

- Last two SMEX calls for proposals (AOs)
 - 1997: M4
 - 1993: PIREX
- Rapid design, development, launch
- This year's AO specifies two launch dates:
 - prior to July 2003
 - prior to July 2004





NASA Nomenclature Primer

• Project Phases:

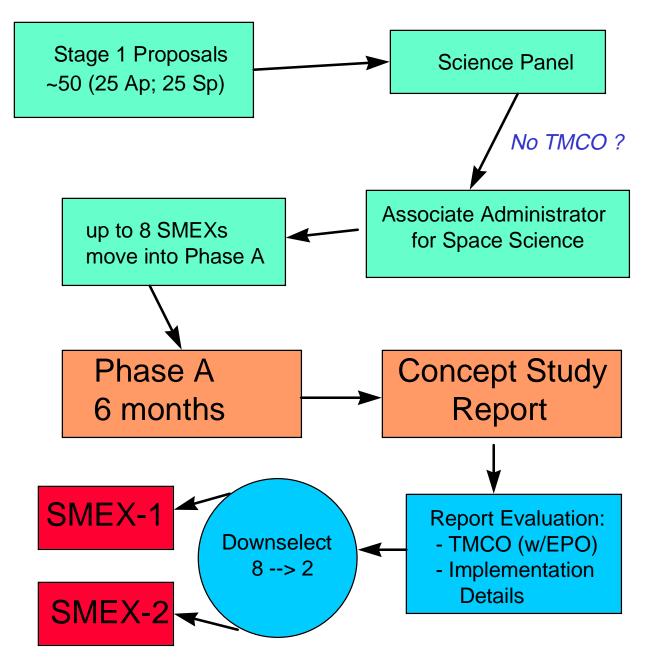
Phase	Name	Notes
А	Concept Study	CSR; 6mo.;
		0.45M\$
В	Definition/Preliminary	PDR
	Design	
С	Detailed Design	CDR
D	Development to Launch	L+30
Е	Mission Operations &	PI retirement
	Data Analysis	

- Launch Vehicles
 - (S)ELV expendible launch vehicle (e.g. Pegasus)
 - LDB long duration balloon (9-21 days)
 - Shuttle





SMEX 2000 Selection Process







Selection Timetable

AO Release	mid-October
Preproposal	mid-November
Conference	
LOI due	mid-November
Proposals due	mid-January 00
Phase A selections	April 00
Contracts awarded	May 00
Concept Study	November 00
Reports due	
Downselection	February 00





SMEX Goals, Components

- "Space Science Enterprise Strategic Plan: Origins, Evolution, and Destiny of the Cosmos and Life" (Nov '97 NASA pub.)
- Modest programmatic scope
 - focussed investigation
 - complement major flight missions
 - prove new science concepts
 - must <u>require</u> flight
- Innovative, streamlined, efficient management approaches
- Reduced cost
 - mission lifecycle costing
 - cost limits
 - full cost accounting
 - control processes (business, technical)
 - new technology





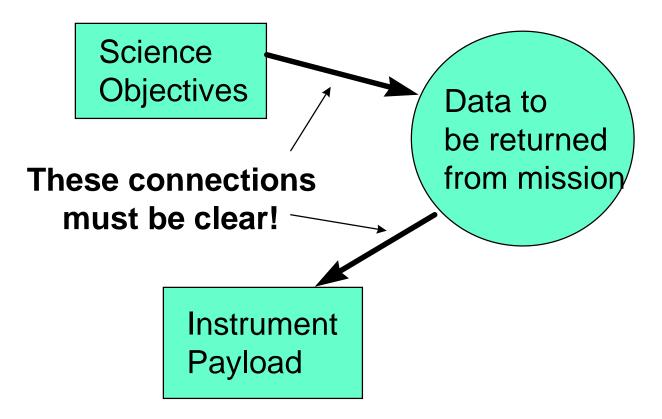
PI & Team

- Responsibility for implementing investigation
- Large degree of freedom to accomplish objectives
- Only essential NASA oversight (GSFC provided)
- Responsible for designing in and managing margins, reserves, and resiliency





Science Requirements & Data



- Team must:
 - Perform initial data analysis
 - Deliver data to NASA archive
 - Publish findings
 - Implement EPO program
 - Communicate results to public





Technical Approach Buzzwords

- Technical approach must be consistent with NASA Handbook NHB 7120.5 A *"Management of Major Systems Programs* and Projects"
- Product assurance consistent with ISO 9000 series
- Explorer Project Library
 - Library of on-line manuals, tables, and reports relevant to Explorer Program
 - SMEX Library separate from UNEX and MIDEX Libraries (why? dunno...)
 - http://explorer.larc.nasa.gov/explorer/epl.html





Odds and Ends

- Single PI leads Team
- "Co-Investigators" are paid to work on the project
 - directly by project
 - or, by home institution
 - must include such contributed costs in budget, as per "full cost accounting"
- Each project must have a Project Manager
 - selected by PI/Team (not NASA)
 - oversees technical implementation of mission
- *"Participation by non-US individuals and/or institutions as team members or contributors to Explorer investigations must be endorsed by the institutions and/or governments involved."*
- E&PO plan deferred until Phase A
 - expect to allocate 1-2% of budget (minus launch)





Odds & Ends II

- Phase E (MO&DA) has no time constraint.
- SMEX/2000 cost cap is 75M\$ in Y2000\$
 "in year" \$\$ are going to be somewhat higher
- Can distribute funds across project phases and elements as best suits investigation
 - Gives more flexibility
 - Puts Phase E (MO&DA) at extreme risk
 - Instrument+S/C eat entire budget w/o controls
- "Total Mission Cost" can exceed "NASA Mission Cost"
 - contributions welcome
 - full cost accounting will add non-NASA costs
 - limit is 2x NASA Cost (e.g., 150M\$)





Proposal Elements & Limits

- 30 page limit (with some exclusions)
 - including no more than 2 fold-outs
- TOC 2 pages
- Science Investigation 20 pages
 - Science Goals & Objectives
 - Science Implementation
 - Instrument
 - Mission
 - Data Analysis & Archiving
 - Science Team
- Mission Design 8 pages
 - includes management, schedule, cost
 - also E&PO and SDB statement of compliance
- Appendices
 - Statemenst of Work (SOW)
 - Letters of Endorsement
 - Resumes
 - Acronyms List
 - Reference List





Cost - M4's 900lb gorilla

M4 Budget Overview - 1997 and 1999								
(Costs in \$1000) Category 1997				1999		Delta		
			Ball ROM					
Science Team (inc. EPO)	\$9,254			\$9,000		-\$254		
Instrument	\$18,577		\$19,689	\$18,500		-\$77		
S/C	\$11,804		\$13,961	\$11,900		\$96		
Contingency (as % of Inst+S/C)	\$3,529	11.62%		\$6,080	20.00%	\$2,551		
(as % of non-launch total)		8.01%			13.85%			
I&T and Ground Sys.	\$4,448			\$4,500		\$52		
Launch (Pegasus)	\$19,000			\$25,000		\$6,000		
Total FY97 Dollars	\$66,612							
Total FY00 Dollars				\$74,980				

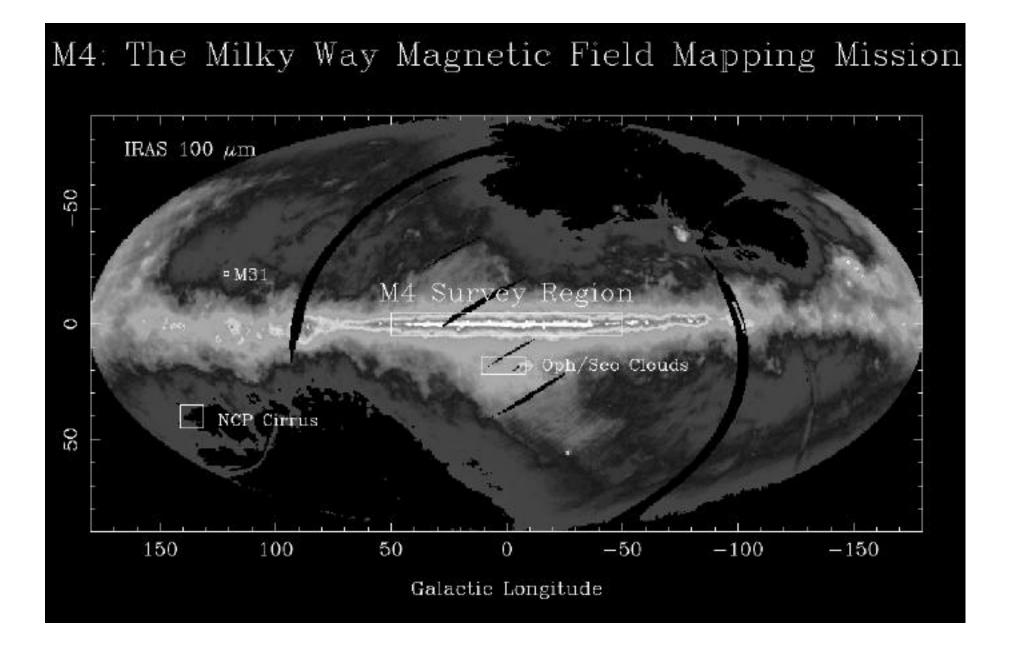
M4 1997 The Proposal

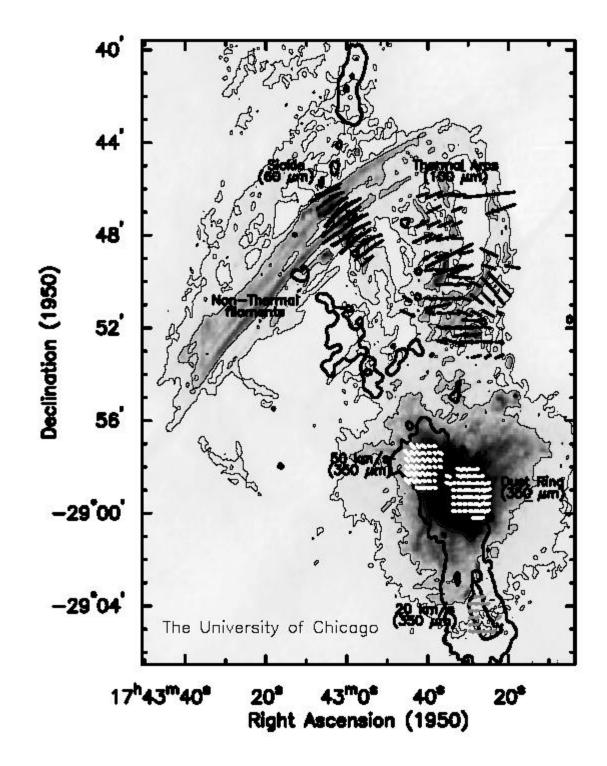
Points to keep in mind:

- 1. M4 was to be built from scratch as a polarimeter.
- 2. Science was the primary driver for the project.
- 3. Science goals and technical capabilities had to agree.

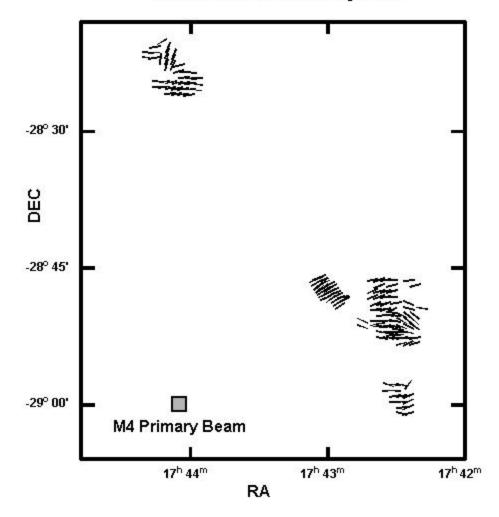
Primary Science Goals

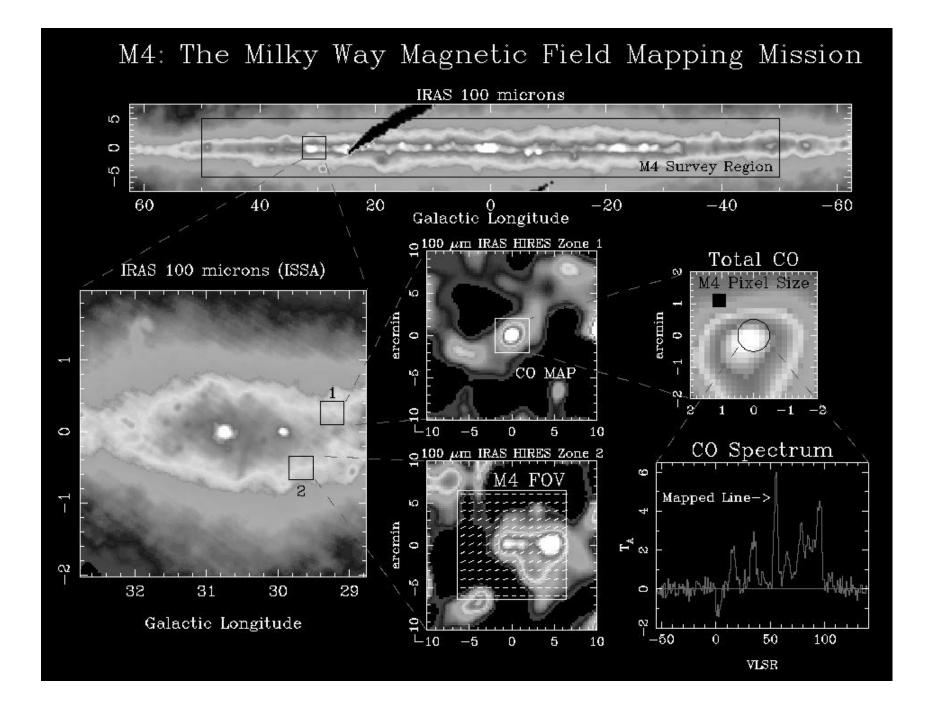
- What is the magnetic field structure in the ISM of the Milky Way?
- What role do magnetic fields play in the star formation process?
- What magnetic field structures exist in the infrared cirrus?
- What is the global magnetic field structure in M31?





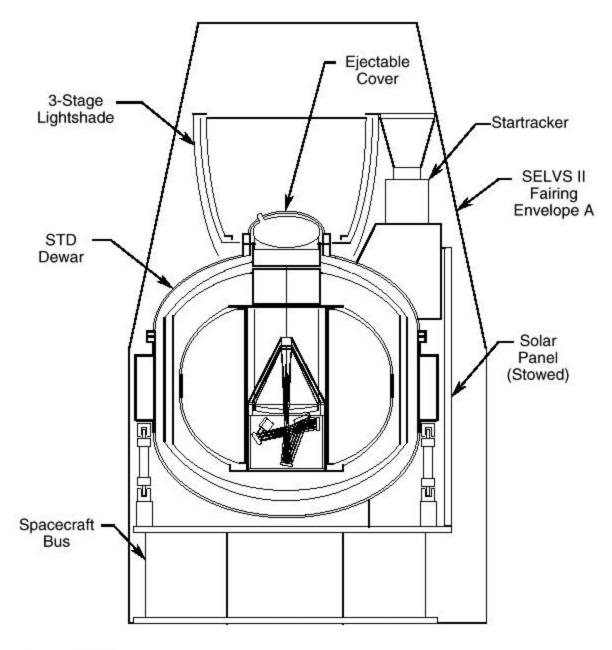
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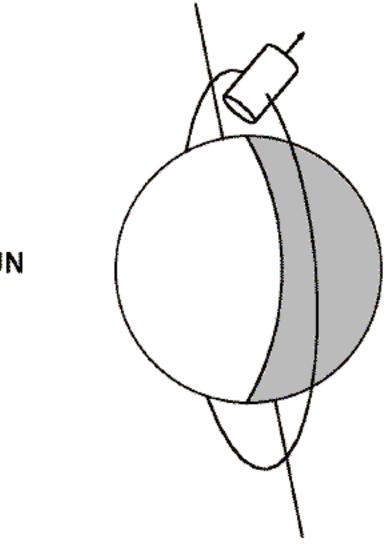


M4 Sensitivity Estimates for +/- 0.12% Polarization (per pixel)

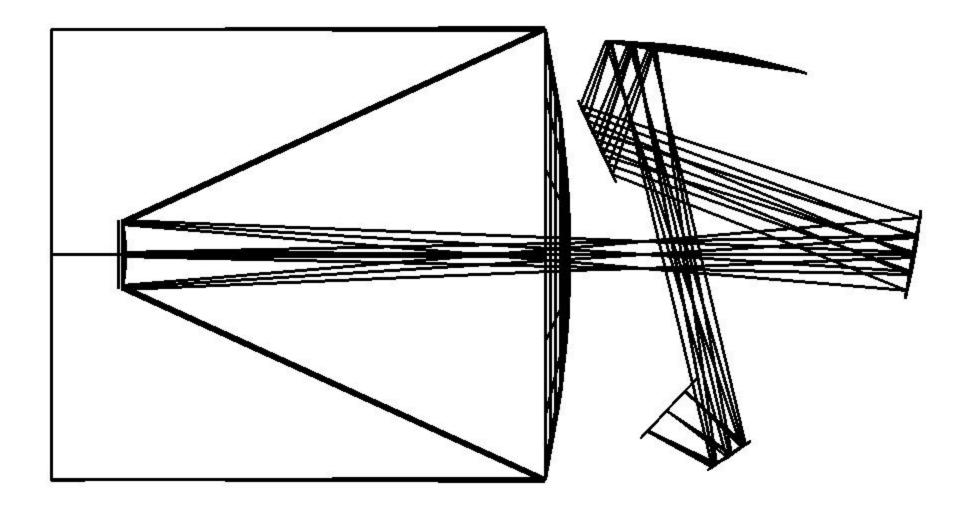
Survey	longitude	latitude	Zody	Galactic Dust	M4 NESB	Target	Integration
Region			Background	Background	(MJy/sr/ Hz)	Surface	Time for
			(MJy/sr)	(MJy/sr)		Brightness	S/N=600
Galactic Center	0	0	14	20,000	12.0	20,000	zip
Galactic Plane	25	0	10	2,400	4.1	2,400	1.1s
	25	5	9	330	0.8	330	38s
	50	0	6	35	0.5	35	73s
Sco/Oph	Oph core		15	40	0.6	300-2,400	0-1.4s
	Dark Filaments		15	40	0.6	5-80	20s-87min
IR Cirrus	Bright Cores		4.6	0.2	0.2	8	225s
	Filaments (2x2 pixel)		4.6	0.2	0.2	1-3	640s-97min
M31	Cores		6.4	3.7	0.3	40	20s
	Spiral Arms		6.4	3.7	0.3	3-14	165s-60min







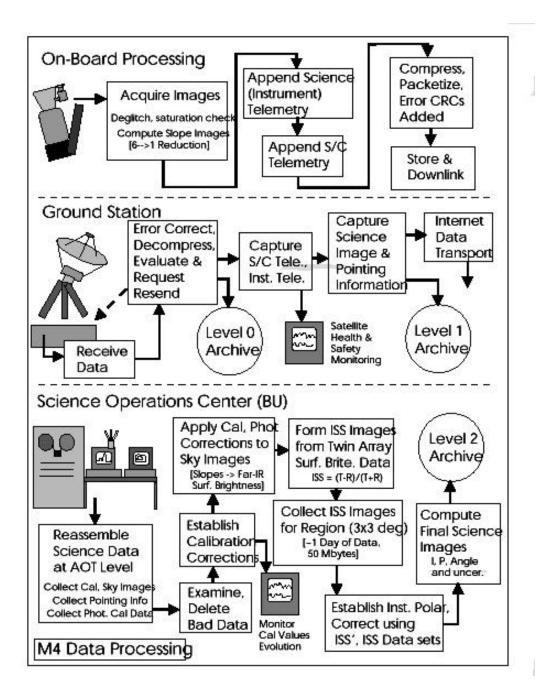




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To Move or Not to Move

- No moving parts is good.
- Rotating spacecraft near the Earth is a problem.
- One simple moving part is not impossible, but it is expensive (several million extra).
- Not rotating the spacecraft relieves the thermal shielding requirements and improves the observing efficiency somewat.
- Rotating a waveplate greatly improves data reduction.



What M4 Could Not Do

- Resolve the magnetic field geometry in dense cloud cores.
- Survey the entire galactic plane.
- Measure magnetic field strength.
- Work longward of 100 microns.

Complimentary with SOFIA

- SOFIA will have 12x the spatial resolution but it will be less sensitive than M4.
- SOFIA will have to 'chop', so it is limited to bright, compact regions, M4 is not.
- SOFIA will be unable to connect the MC core to the general ISM, M4 will.
- M4 will provide targets for SOFIA.

The Task Ahead

- Define the science.
- Confine the science goals by technical reality.
- Articulate the resulting science case as best as possible.

Polarimetry with ISO: Lessons Learned, Enabled Science

R. J. Laureijs and B. Schulz

ISO Data Centre, Madrid 19-Oct-1999

• some historical issues

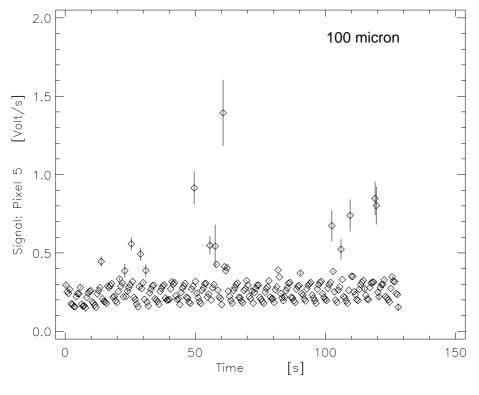
- search for best observing mode
-calibration...
- if we could do it again

Some historical issues

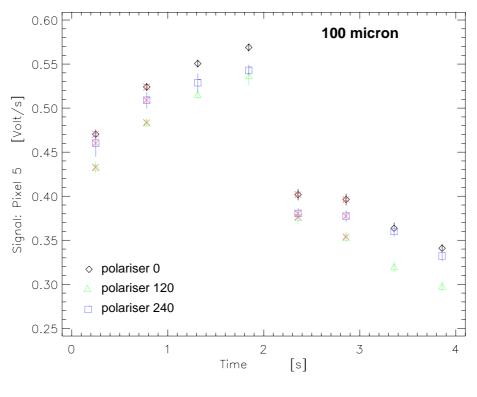
- ISOPHOT and ISOCAM polarisation: "desirable".
- Minimal support from ISO development. Preparations and planning were performed by instrument team member and 1 resident SOC astronomer per instrument.
- Operations to be performed using the calibration uplink system (CUS). Advantage: full flexibility, disadvantage: need instrument specialist.
- Data entry interface software written by instrument team member.
- During operations no formal support, "workload permitted".
- Data processing using Interactive Analysis.
- Present results only achieved due to longer lifetime of ISO.

Search for best observing mode (1)

- "unexpected" in-orbit performance of detectors
 - 1. higher noise for C100 and P3 detectors (Ge:Ga material)
 - 2. detector transients rendered measurement times less than 32 s unfeasible
 - 3. transients difficult to model/predict with sufficient accuracy
- need long and stable integrations



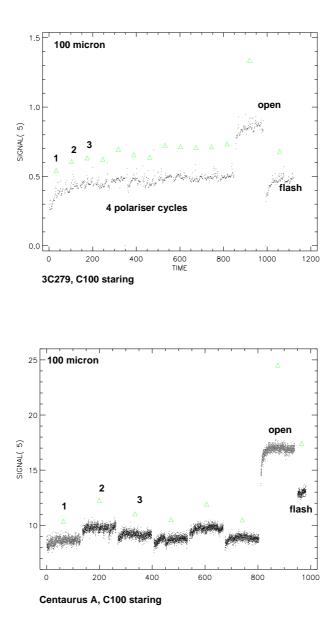
3C273, C100 chopped, polariser 0



3C273, C100 processed chopped

Example of recently processed chopped measurements according latest processing algorithms.

New deglitching techniques and additional calibration could be used to interpret the data. Requires lots of humanpower and a sufficient amount of calibration/test data.



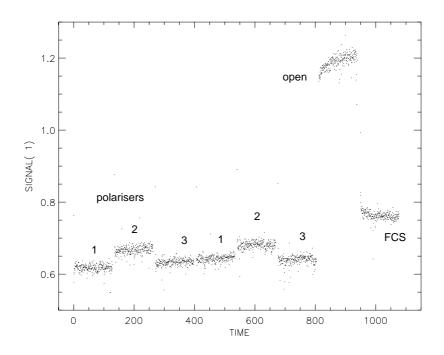
Examples of C100 (Ge:Ga detector) signals for a weak (3C279) and a strong (Centaurus A) source.

Search for best observing mode (4)

Final design of ISOPHOT polarisation mode

- choose best detectors and most suitable filters: P2 (Si:B) with 25 micron filter C200 (stressed Ge:Ga) with 170 micron filter
- long fixed integration time per polariser cycle
- avoid upsetting the detector: open and FCS measurement at the end
- impose redundancy in observing strategy.

Price: (1) long integration times per pointing and (2) intensive uplink support for fixed time scheduling.



Search for best observing mode (5)

Instrumental features in CAM polarisation:

- 1. polariser change caused source displacement on the array
- 2. detector transients; however, transients only affect the absolute photometric accuracy
- 3. dead column, 2×2 raster maps required.

Final design of ISOCAM polarisation mode for extended sources:

- change polariser after completion small raster map
- perform repointing after each polariser change

...Calibration...

One needs to be able to have the:

- firm set of polarised and unpolarised calibrators;
- ability to repeat observations at (ir)regular time intervals;
- ability to derive the instrumental, sky, and source polarisation early during operations;
- a flexible uplink/analysis system to test new observing procedures.

If we could do it again....

Apart from sufficient **expert** human resources, we would:

- like to have ground tests experience available during operations;
- polariser throughputs and efficiencies;
- pool of readily available calibration standards;
- short uplink turn-around times;
- be prepared to change the entire observing strategy.

Instrument Design in the Light of the ISOPHOT Experience

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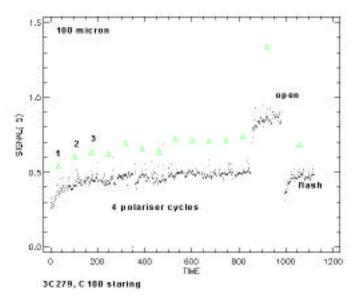
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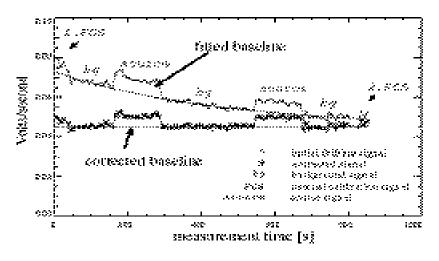
- Noise
 - Detector noise increased in orbit w.r.t. lab. meas.
 - Characteristics difficult to match with theory.
 - Equal spacing of NDRs allowed to recover from glitches.
 - Best Ge:Ga curing with bias boost and IR-flashing.

Detector	Material	Bias	NEP (dark)	NEP (dark)	Dark	Dark
		[V]	[W/sqrt(Hz)	[W/sqrt(Hz)	[e/s]	[e/s]
			pre-flight	in-flight	pre-flight	in-flight
C200	Ge:Ga (s)	0.08	1.20E-17	2.40E-17	1869	4000
C100	Ge:Ga	0.18	8.70E-18	2.61E-17	7471	25000
P3	Ge:Ga	0.25	3.50E-18	3.50E-16	123	19700
P2	Si:B	10	2.20E-16	4.40E-16	3825	5960
P1	Si:Ga	90	1.60E-16	1.76E-16	1595	1460
S2	Si:Ga	37	1.50E-15	1.65E-15	<500	<500
S1	Si:Ga	37	6.00E-16	6.60E-16	<500	<500

- System Linearity
 - De-biasing: CRE gain not matched to low biases.
 - Pre-amplifiers show non-linear transfer function.
 - Readout patterns influence signals (reset interval correction, clock frequency dependency).
 - Detector responsivity depends on flux.
 - FCS calibration scheme with many cal.-standards covering flux range enabled linearisation.
 - Missing early photometric assessment at assembly level.

- Stability
 - No stable operation of detectors (switching, heaters).
 - Switch-on effect (longterm transient).
 - Si:Ga very stable over long periods, Ge:Ga not.
 - Actuator flashing induces transients (changed in LWS).
 - Ge:Ga det. show sudden changes in signal.
 - Redundancy in meas. sequences very important.





Bernhard Schulz, Rene Laureijs, ISO Data Centre, ESA

- AOT-Design
 - Was started when laboratory people started to understand how to use detectors.
 - Lab team was not sufficiently involved.
 - Lab. design not close enough to astron. requirements.
 - AOTs make instrument easy to use but degrade performance (exec. Time, stability).
 - Number of AOTs increases parameter space further.
 - Time requirements are actually determined by transient timeconstants and not by S/N.
 - Longer meas. sequences (multi filter, multi aperture) are "fixed" only by one cal. measurement.

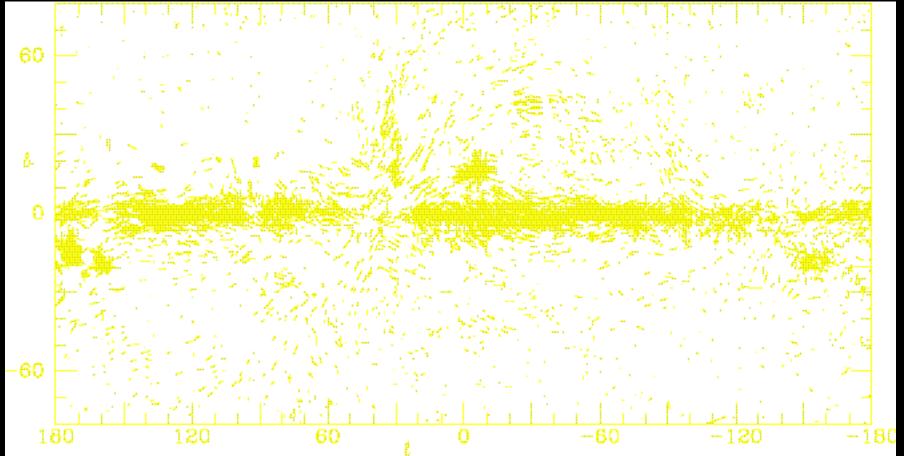
- External Straylight (Sun, Earth, Moon)
 - No problem for ISO but important if attitude changes (spacecraft roll).
- Calibration Strategy
 - Possible configurations led to large parameter space.
 - Instrument modelling can limit parameter space, but at the cost of systematic errors.
 - Highest accuracy only achieved by empirical approach.
 - Hope for better understanding in the future was mostly disappointed.

Introduction to M4 Science

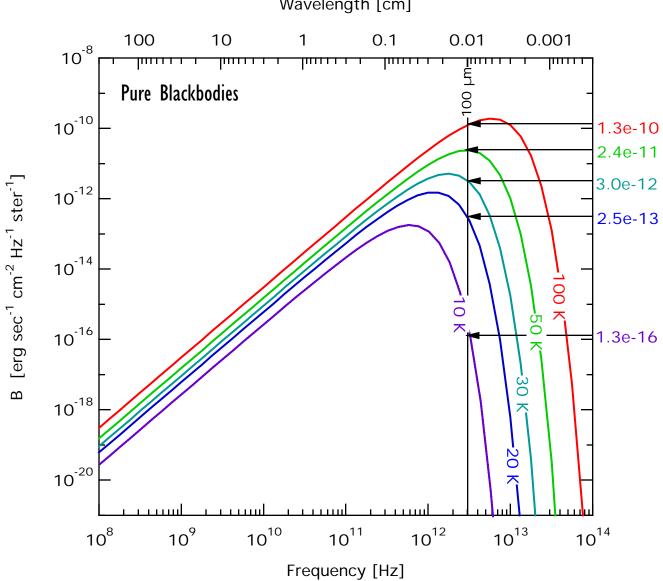
- Observe 95 μm Polarized Radiation
- Map the "Magnetic Field of the Milky Way" (Central 100 degrees in I and 10 degrees in b)
 - Technique for Constructing 3-D Field Relies on FIR/CO Associations
- Detailed Studies of B in selected Supershells (Cirrus), Star-forming Regions, and External Galaxies

The 20th Century Magnetic Field of the Milky Way

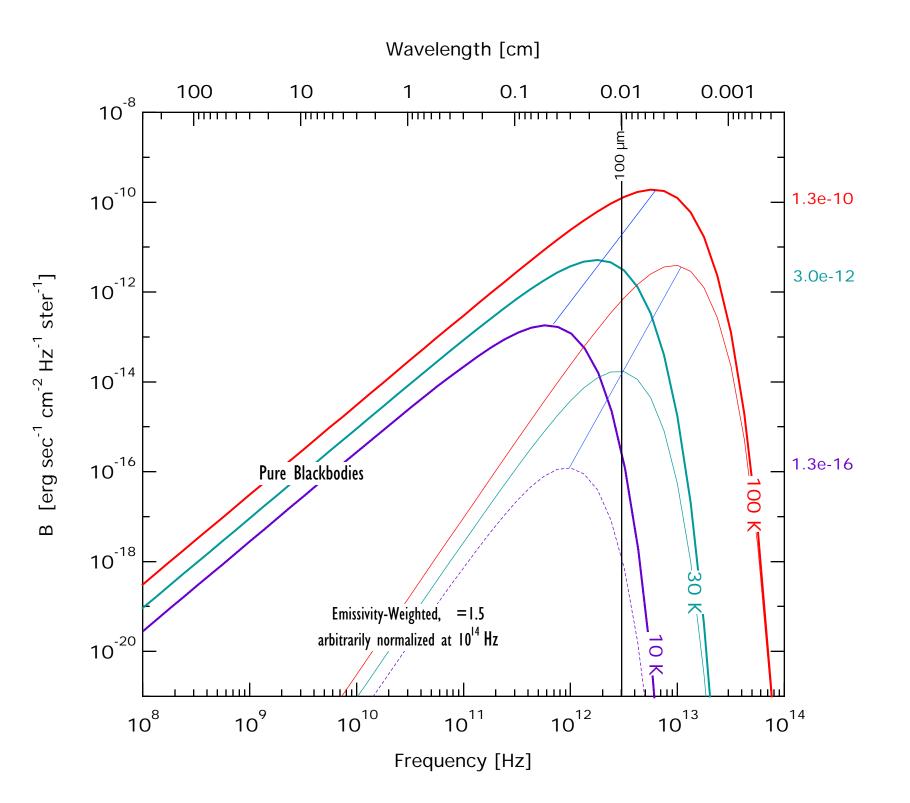
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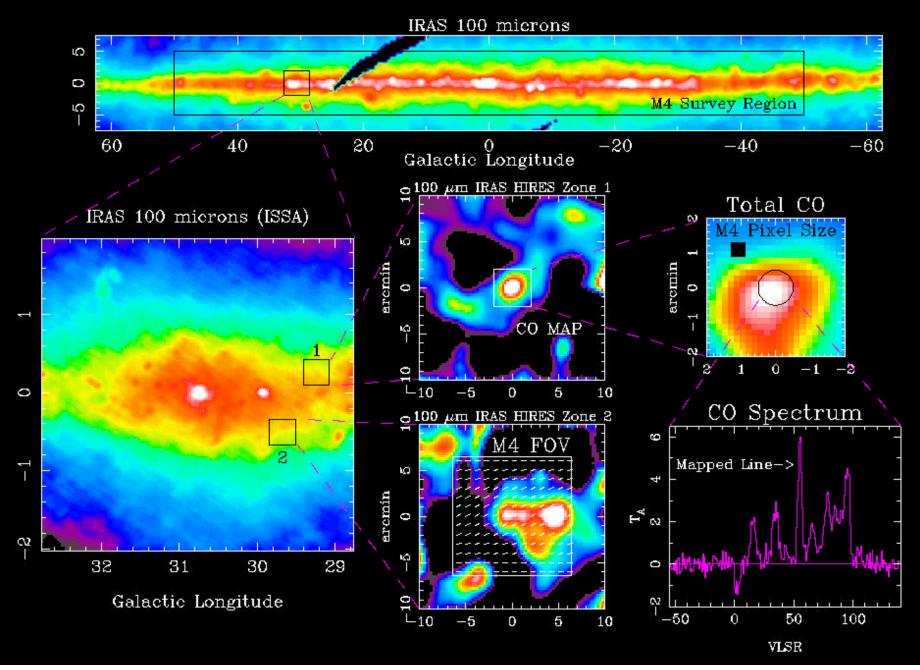
See Heiles for more, later.



Wavelength [cm]



M4: The Milky Way Magnetic Field Mapping Mission



Milky Way Polarimetric Discoveries 1997-99

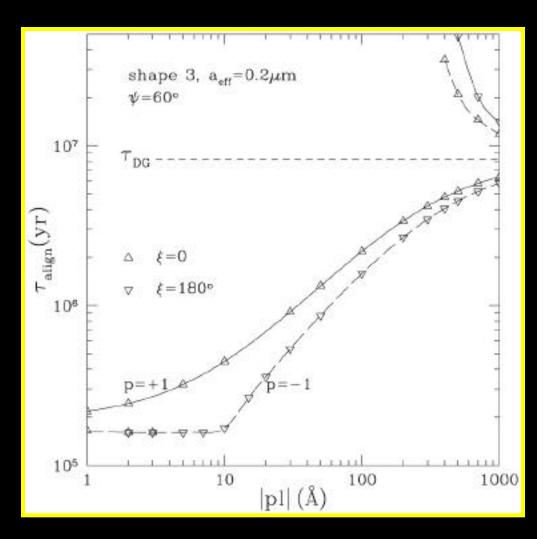
summarized by Alyssa Goodman Harvard University

Grain Alignment

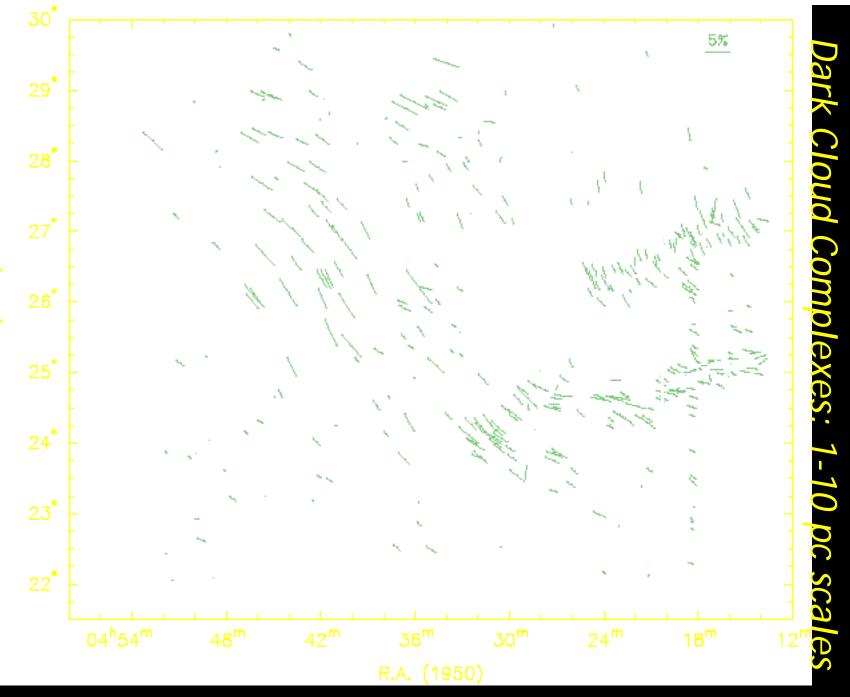
- Role of Radiative Torques (Draine, Weingartner, Lazarian)
- Spectral Dependence of Thermal Emission Polarization (Hildebrand et al. 1999; see Dowell)
- Global Polarization-Extinction Relation (Arce et al. 1998; Goodman 1999)

Radiative Torques on "Helical" Grains

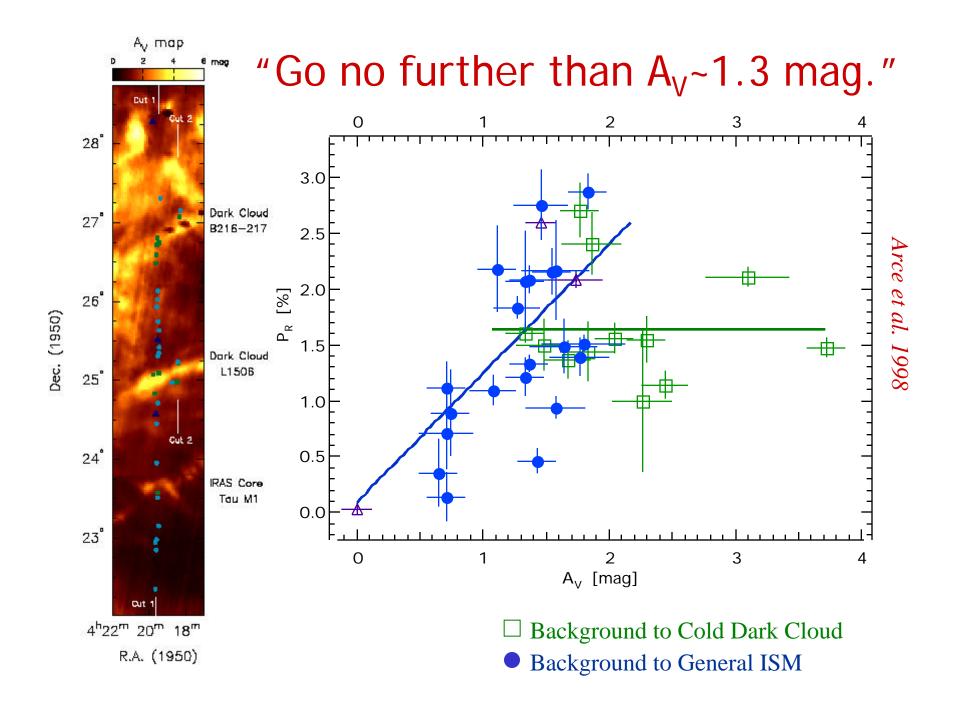
- Non-Davis-Greenstein processes likely dominate (see Draine, Weingartner, Lazarian)
- Rapid alignment of grains in less than dim regions

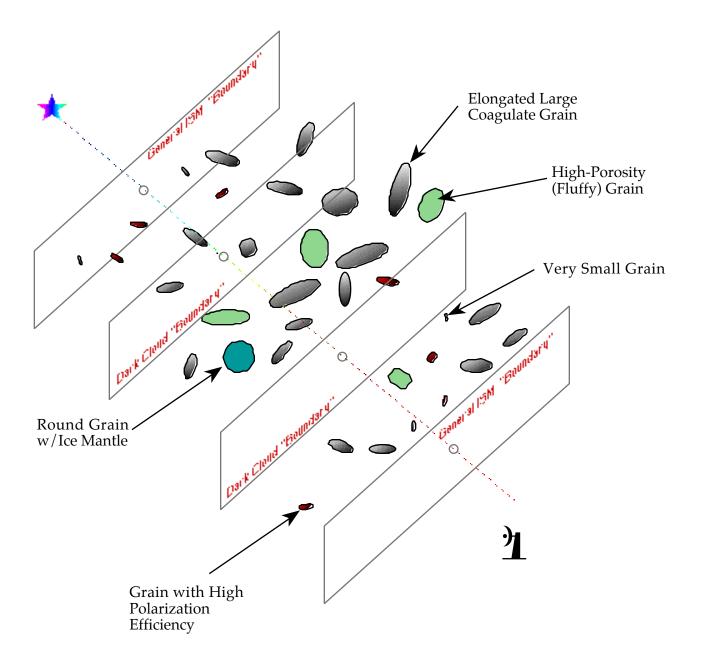


Draine & Weingartner, 1997



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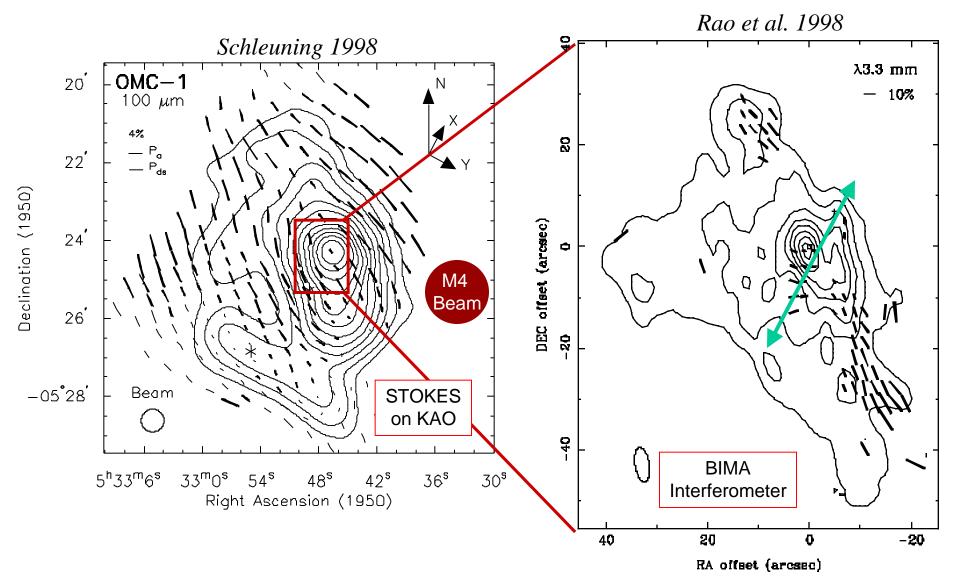




Developments in Star-forming Regions

- Interferometric Polarimetry of Outflow/Disk Sources (OVRO: Akeson et al. 1996; BIMA: Rao et al. 1998; see Myers)
- Polarized Spectral-line Emission (BIMA: Girart et al. 1999)
- Sub-mm (SCUBA) Polarimetry of Massive, and now Low-Mass, SFRs (e.g. Matthews & Wilson 1999; see Greaves)

Zooming on Orion BN/KL



On a Galactic Scale

- Rand & Lyne (94) Pulsar RM/DM Mapping of B
- Reid & Menten update of Galactic B from H₂O Masers (in prep.)
- Heiles' Re-analysis of Galactic Plane Background
 Starlight Polarimetry Surveys (see Heiles)
- SCUBA Polarimetry of the Galactic Center (see Greaves)

On a Galactic Scale

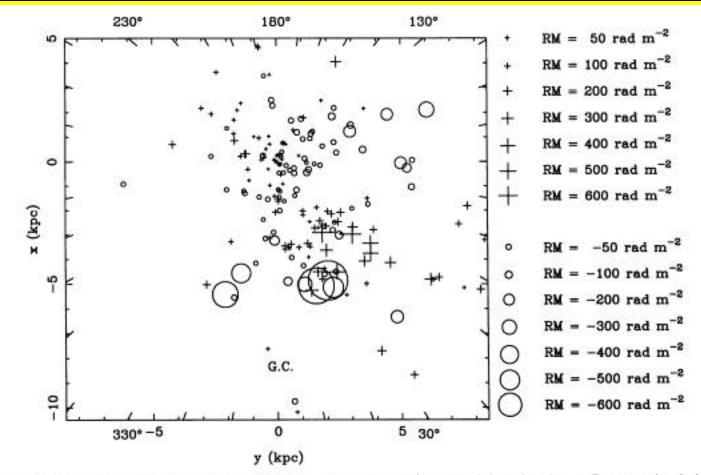
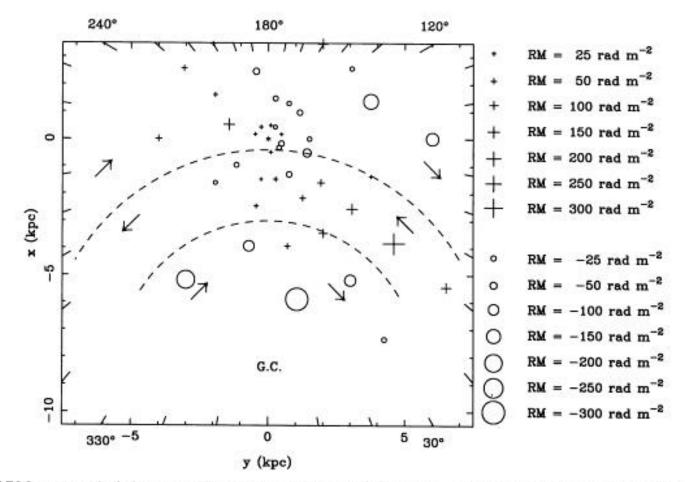
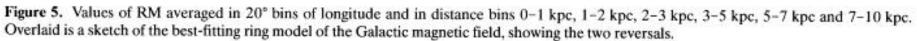


Figure 3. All but nine of the known RMs in a top view of the Galaxy, as in Fig. 2 (the remaining nine do not fit conveniently in the frame). Note the large amount of structure in this figure, with negative RMs found in directions around $l = 90^{\circ}$ and $l = 330^{\circ}$, and positive RMs in directions around $l = 270^{\circ}$ and $l = 40^{\circ}$. This structure suggests a field running toward $l \approx 90^{\circ}$ in the Solar neighbourhood, but a reversed field in the inner Galaxy. At about 5 kpc from the Sun, in the range $0^{\circ} < l < 30^{\circ}$, the cluster of negative RMs suggests that the field reverses direction again between the Sun and these pulsars (see Fig. 6 for a sketch of a plausible Galactic magnetic field geometry). The new RMs greatly reinforce this suggestion.

Rand & Lyne 1994

On a Galactic Scale





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On a Universal Scale

- Connection to CMB Polarimetry (see Lazarian)
 - Our signal is their "foreground," and we have MUCH better polarimetric sensitivity and resolution.
 - MAP launch November 2000
- Any light on galactic dynamo issues/origin of galactic fields (ask Zweibel)?

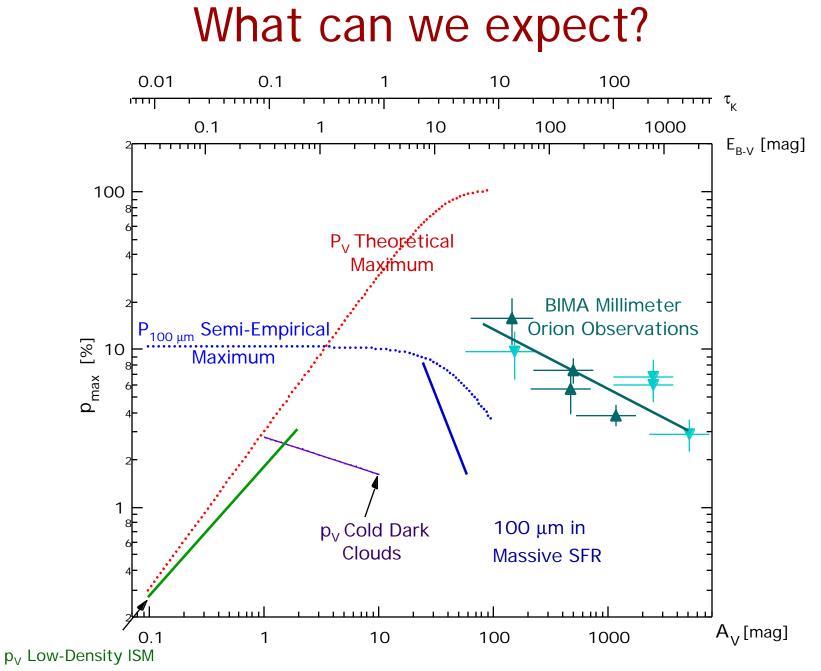
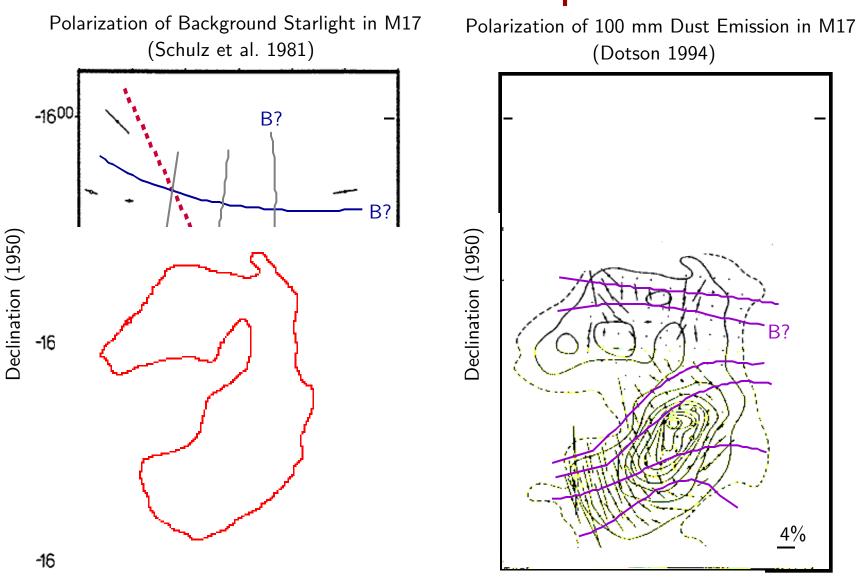


Figure from Goodman 1999.



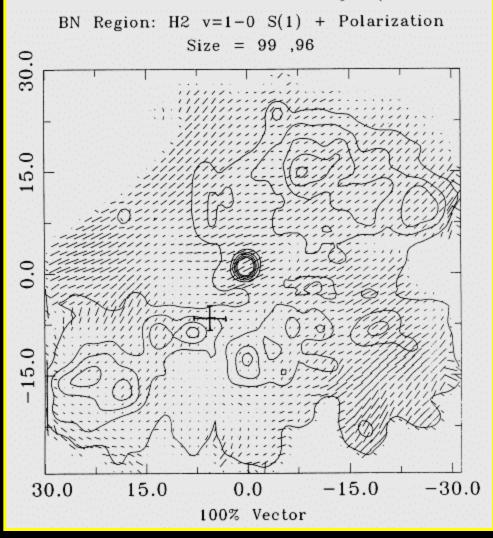
RIGHT ASCENSION (1930)

What can we expect?



See Kristen, Goodman, Jones & Myers1999.

H₂ "Background" Polarimetry: Orion



Chrysostomou al. 1994

ISOPHOT Polarimetry - Science Results

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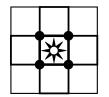
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ISOPHOT Polarization Observational Modes

- linear polarization with 3 polarizers at 0° , 120° & 240° (S/C y-axis frame)
- 25 μ m MIR aperture polarimetry (P2 detector, AOT P50)
 - 79 arcsec aperture,
 - mode: single pointing (on off)
- 170 μ m FIR array polarimetry (C200 detector, AOT P51)
 - 2x2 detector pixels, 89.4 arcsec pixel size
 - mode: 2x2 raster with 1 pixel step \rightarrow 3x3 pixel map
- Verification of measurement reproducibility: \geq 2 cycles: 0° - 120° - 240° - 0° - 120° - 240° ...
- Consistency check: polarization value of central C200 map position verified by all 4 pixels.
- Removal of long term P2 detector drifts: additional 0° measurement at end of polarizer sequence: $0^{\circ} - 120^{\circ} - 240^{\circ} - 0^{\circ} \dots 240^{\circ} - 0^{\circ}$

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Performance of ISOPHOT Polarization Modes for Point Sources

- Most important parameters for final polarization accuracy:
 - − Signal reproducibility in different cycles ⇔ robustness against drifts
 - Source-to-background contrast
- Examples for achieved polarization accuracies of point sources:

detector	target	source	pol. deg.	source/	S/N	$1~\sigma$ pol. error
		flux		backg	source	per cycle
		[Jy]	[%]			[%]
P2, P_25 (79")	NGC 7538	400	\sim 3	17	150	0.8
	6 Hebe	\sim 30	< 2	6.3	120	0.8
	9 Metis	~ 20	< 2	2	130	0.7
	Crab	\sim 7	8	0.7	60	1.7
C200, C_160	Crab	~ 15	8	1.4	150	1.4
	3C 279	2.5	6	1.5 – 2	70 – 80	1.6
	3C 279	2.5	6	0.4	10 – 20	7
	3C 279	2.5	22	0.25	20 – 30	5
	3C 279	2.5	6	0.25	10 – 15	10
	lpha Boo	2.6	0	0.025	2	60

Note: Source/background ratios < 1 for C200 measurements: source not centered on pixel.

ISOPHOT Polarimetry Programmes

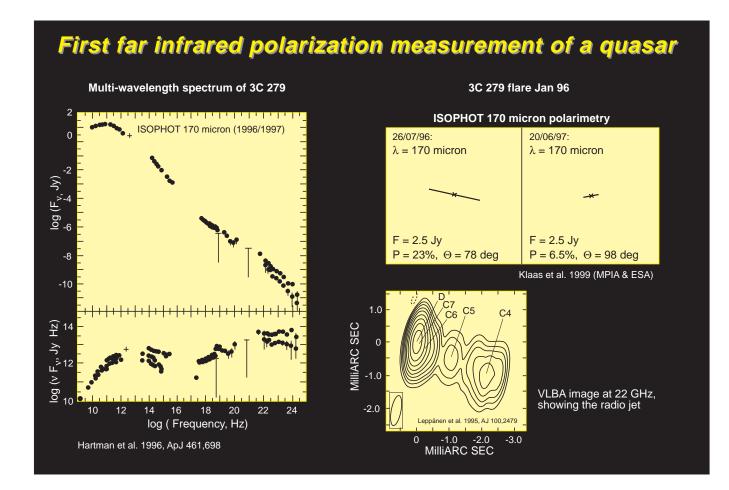
object type	target names	pol. mechanism	wavelength
			[μ m]
Solar System Objects	6 Hebe, 9 Metis	(3)	25
Outflow Sources	NGC 7538, L 1551, HH 100	(2)	25
	NGC 1333, L 483, L 1157,	(2)	170
	IRAS0382, L 1448, L 1527,		
	L 1544, L 1551		
Molecular Clouds	ТМС2, В213	(2)	170
Dark Clouds	GF9	(2)	170
Reflection Nebulae	NGC 7023	(2)	170
Supernova Remnants	Crab	(1),(2)	25,170
Galaxies	NGC 1808, NGC 6946	(2)	170
AGNs	3C 279, BL Lac*	(1)	170

* source not detected due to cirrus confusion.

IR Polarization Mechanisms:

- 1) synchrotron emission
- 2) emission by elongated grains aligned by magnetic fields
- 3) scattering (by electrons, atoms, molecules, dust grains, reflection & refraction at boundaries between two media)

- General Properties of 3C 279
 - OVV quasar (z = 0.538); t_{var} = few weeks to \sim 6 months; Δ I: \sim factor 20 in GeV range; \sim factor 5 – 10 in IR-optical-UV range
 - Flat spectrum radio quasar: relativistic jet pointing close to line-of-sight dominates emission
- Simultaneous multi-wavelength measurements from radio to γ -rays: two broad maxima in FIR and at GeV energies:
 - IR-optical-UV: optically thin synchrotron emission
 - Low frequency synchrotron self-absorption \rightarrow flat radio spectrum
 - X-rays & γ -rays: inverse Compton (IC) up-scattering of ambient "seed" photons:
 - * synchrotron photons themselves: synchrotron self-Compton (SSC) model
 - * thermal photons from e.g. accretion disc: external Compton (EC) model
- SSC model favoured for interpretation



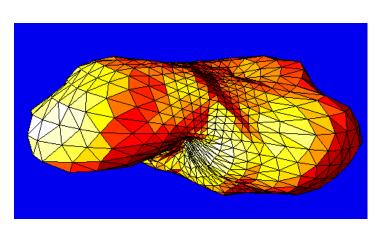
- 3C 279 showed γ -ray flare in Jan. 1996 (IAU Circ. 6294)
- First FIR polarization measurements of a quasar at two epochs:
 - 1996-07-26: 22.8 \pm 1.6 %, 77.9 \pm 3.0 \deg
 - 1997-06-20: 6.5 \pm 1.5 %, 98.0 \pm 5.6 deg
 - Equality of total 170 μ m flux: 2.5 Jy at both epochs
 - Polarization of first epoch roughly aligned with mas radio jet $\rightarrow \vec{B} \perp$ base of jet; $P_{\rm FIR} \perp P_{\rm radio}$; $P_{\rm FIR} \parallel P_{\rm opt/submm}$
- High polarization degree at first epoch \rightarrow Optically thin synchrotron emission (also at second epoch more likely optically thin emission; Pacholczyk 1970)
- Polarization varies drastically within one year \rightarrow FIR emission area very compact \rightarrow origin in core, but radio emission from outer knots

Interpretation of 3C 279 FIR Polarization Variability

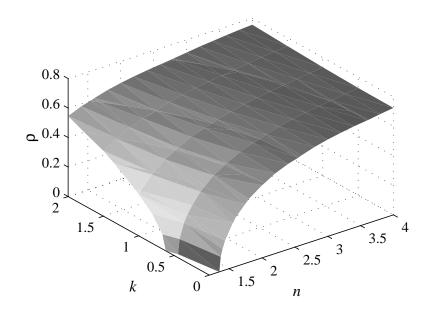
- Correlation of polarization degree with flux at 1.1 mm (Nartallo et al., MNRAS 297, 667): \rightarrow plane shocks enhancing flux and perpendicular magnetic field?
- ISOPHOT photometry: FIR flux equal for high and low polarization stage! (flux not constant all the time, but went through minimum in Dec. 1998, Haas et al., ApJ 503, L109)
- Orientation of radio polarization flips between the stationary knots (Leppänen et al., AJ 110, 2479)
- Explanation by geometry effects:
 - New knot formed in core region (γ -ray flare!), emitting bulk of FIR highly ordered field \perp to jet axis \rightarrow high polarization degree
 - When travelling out re-orientation (bents) and disordering of magnetic field polarization angle less well aligned with jet axis
- Constraints on jet models

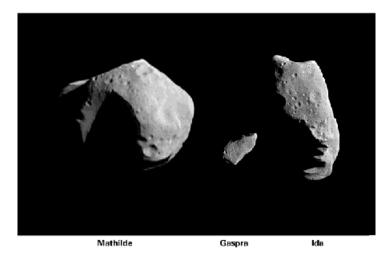
MIR Polarimetry of Asteroids

- Observational results: 25 μ m polarimetry of 6 Hebe, 9 Metis: P = \sim 0.5 %, $\sigma_{\rm P}$ = 0.8 % \leftrightarrow no polarization
- Thermophysical model extended to predict amount of polarized thermal emission
 - Scattering processes in the visual and IR across rough surface \rightarrow lateral T variations \rightarrow magnitude and state of polarized thermal emission
 - Absolute model fluxes in good agreement with photometric results
 - Upper limits of polarization \rightarrow constraints on surface properties
 - * Metis: low refractive index and high surface roughness
 - * Hebe: inconclusive, since observed at minimum of polarization curve
 - Polarimetry provides improved input parameters for thermophysical modelling



Polarimetry of Asteroids





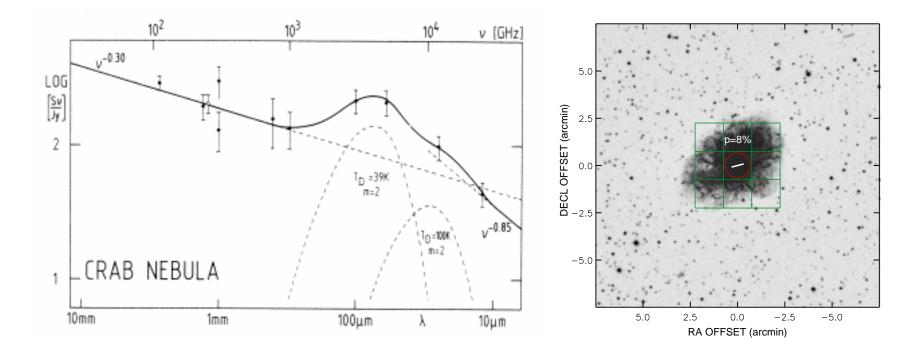
lower left: shapes of asteroids upper left: 3D temperature model of 243 lda right: constraints on surface roughness ρ and refractive index $|\mathbf{m}| = |\mathbf{n}+\mathbf{i}\mathbf{k}|$ for 9 Metis from MIR polarization measurements: the region below the sheet is excluded

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MIR & FIR polarimetry of the Crab nebula

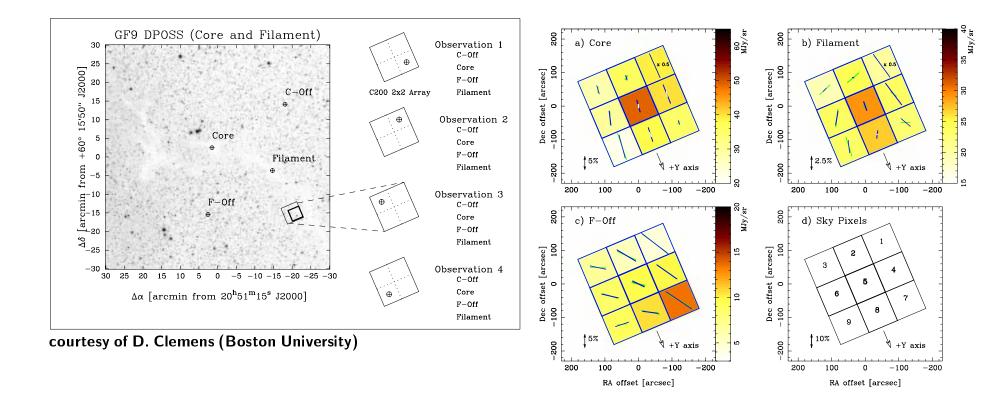
- λ 10 mm to 10 μ m SED: superposition of "FIR bump" on synchrotron power laws (Mezger et al., A&A 167, 145)
- synchrotron break in λ 10 μ m to 28 μ m range
- Nature of "FIR bump"?
 - dust or line emission from supernova ejecta in filaments
 - synchrotron component (predicted by diffusion loss models for sources with flat injection spectrum)
- If synchrotron: polarization properties should be similar to those found at cm
 & mm wavelengths ↔ further constraints for location of synchrotron break
- Pointing on position of the peak polarized intensity predicted from λ 9 mm 100 m Effelsberg telescope maps
- Aperture and central pixel of FIR polarization map include pulsar

- 25 μ m polarization: P = 7.7 % ± 1.6 % Θ = 105° ± 5°
- 170 μ m polarization: P = 8.2% ± 1.4% $\Theta = 103^{\circ} \pm 5^{\circ}$ for central map pixel, derived for all 4 C200 pixels! \rightarrow constant polarization over larger area or dominating point source
- No agreement with extrapolations from mm-measurements (P = \sim 20%, Θ = 45°) \rightarrow thermal nature of FIR bump most likely
- Comparison with optical polarization measurements:
 - High resolution optical polarization maps by McLean et al., Nature 304, 243: P and $\Theta_{\rm P}$ are the same as for the pulsar in the optical! (P = 15% and $\Theta_{\rm P} \sim 140^{\circ}$ for nebula)
 - Time resolved polarization of Crab pulsar by Smith et al., MNRAS 233, 305:
 FIR polarization degree and angle correspond best to optical polarization values of pulse and inter pulse period
- On-going analysis by Klaas, Laureijs, Müller & Tuffs



- Observations & analysis by D.P. Clemens, K.E. Kraemer & D.R. Ciardi
- 170 μ m polarization maps of GF9 core & filament + 2 reference positions
- 5% polarized dust emission detected from core, filament & 1 reference position magnetic fields within dark clouds directly detected
- Polarization properties of core and filament different:
 - dense core with Class 0 source: parallel polarization vectors
 - \rightarrow highly uniform embedded magnetic field
 - non-star forming filament: disordered magnetic field
 - \rightarrow magnetic turbulence \leftrightarrow support against collapse?

Magnetic Fields in the Dark Cloud GF9



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Summary

- ISOPHOT IR space polarimetry contributes to a variety of astrophysical issues:
 - First FIR polarization measurements of a quasar \rightarrow constraints on jet models
 - MIR polarization measurements of asteroids
 - \rightarrow constraints of surface properties & improve thermophysical modelling
 - \rightarrow well described standard sources
 - FIR polarization measurements of Crab nebula:
 - \rightarrow more clues on nature of Crab SED, magnetic field structure around central engine
 - FIR polarization measurements of dark clouds
 - ightarrow magnetic fields structures, role of magnetic fields in star forming process

Lessons Learnt from ISOPHOT Space Polarimetry

- FIR detector, filter & polarizer technologies permit sensitive polarimetry
- Performance of polarimetry of point sources: $\sigma_{\rm P} = 1$ % for sources of a few Jy in $\sim 1/2$ hour
- Amount of measurement time needed mainly determined by stabilization of high ohmic Ge:Ga detectors
 - due to glitches by ionizing radiation
 - due to signal transients after flux changes
- Sensitivity limit determined by source-to-background contrast and in some areas by cirrus confusion
- Partly open issues in ISOPHOT polarimetry
 - Refinement of instrumental polarization numbers
 - Better understanding of beam effects for extended sources

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SCUBA Polarization results: 1998-1999

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with special thanks to: Wayne Holland, Tim Jenness, David Berry and Antonio Chrysostomou

SCUBA Polarimeter at the JCMT

The Submillimetre Common-User Bolometer Array (SCUBA) is a background limited 350-850 µm camera with a 2.3 arcmin FOV on the 15m James Clerk Maxwell Telescope in Hawaii



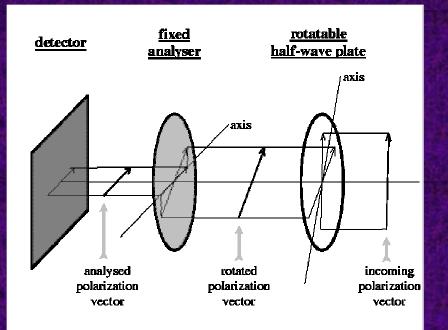


The Polarimeter, which is mounted externally over the cryostat window, is an achromatic multi-half-wave plate design, built in the UK at Queen Mary & Westfield College.

http://www.jach.hawaii.edu/JACpublic/JCMT/scuba/scupol

Polarimeter design

The polarimeter wave-plates are of the Pancharatnam design (an odd number of $\lambda/2$ plates whose fast axis orientations differ by 60 degrees). This gives excellent achromatic performance (> 95% polarization modulation efficiency) with some loss of transmission ($\leq 10\%$). We obtain simultaneous images at 850 and 450 µm, (or at 750 and 350 µm using a different filter set), plus have 1.3/2 mm single pixels.



•Incoming radiation passes through the rotating waveplate and then a fixed 'analyser' (etched wire grid)

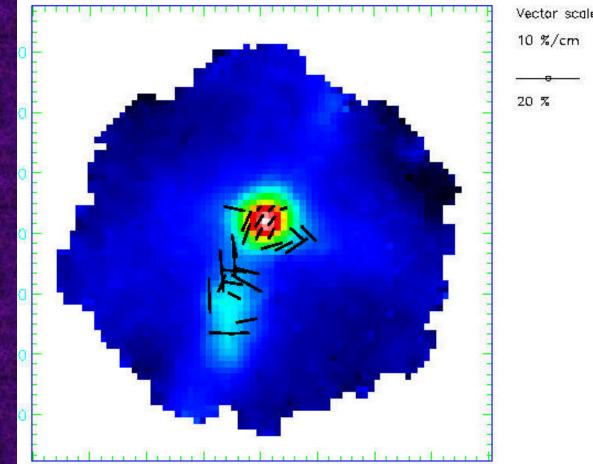
•Thus SCUBA effectively sees a component of a rotating source plane of polarization

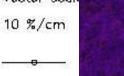
•We analyse these modulated images as a function of 16 'step' angles of the waveplate around a circle.

Polarimeter performance & use

- Performance is limited mainly by the SCUBA NEFD's (~ 90 mJy Hz^{-1/2} at 850 μ m, our primary wavelength) and we have detected polarized sources as faint as ~ 0.3 Jy.
- Polarimeter use by the general JCMT community is high (about 12% of all the current SCUBA applications) - so far 13 PI's have been awarded time (1998/1999).
- We've aimed to make the observing 'normal astronomerfriendly' - the data can be reduced completely automatically at the telescope.

A typical project - protostars...





L1157 core and outflow:

ordered field points down the start of the flow but then is swept up sideways in the bright knot?

(integration was 1.5 hours, peak flux is ~ 1.4 Jy)

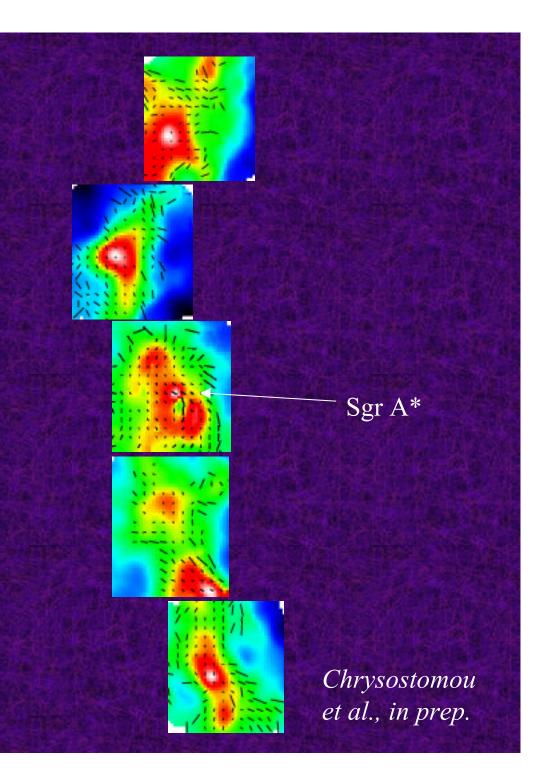
(in these figures: vector length \propto pol-% and (mostly) rotated 90 deg. to show field)

Galactic Centre mosaic

Note the wave-like field in the southern clouds.

10'

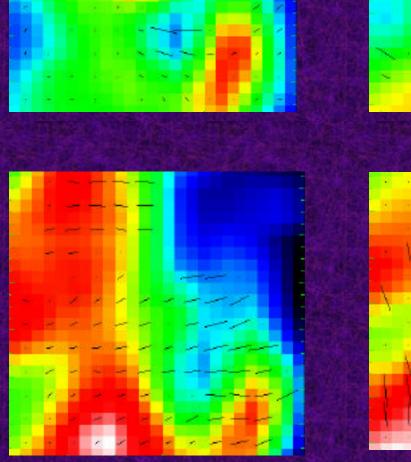
Near Sgr A*, the field follows the 'mini-spiral' seen in ionized gas, inside the circum-nuclear ring.

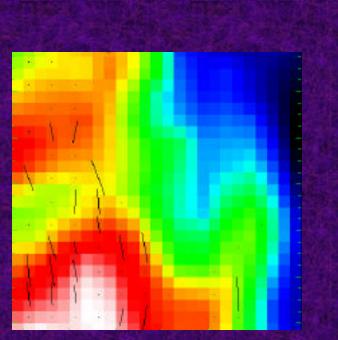


Galactic Centre: multi-λ

*key:*850 750450 350

(last two have some problems with too small chop throws)

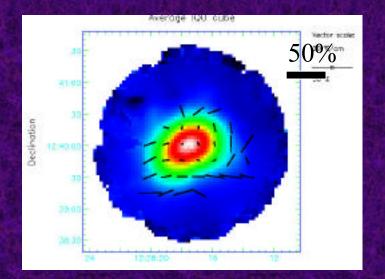




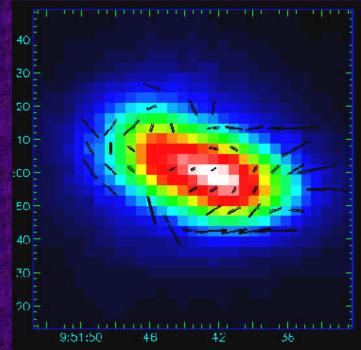
Extragalactic polarimetry

A key question for cosmologists is the polarization level of the cosmic microwave background radiation... but first you need to know the contamination from polarized foreground galaxies!

M82 is polarized at a level of about 1% to 3% - models by De Zotti et al. suggest that this will not be a problem for CMB polarimetry...



Leeuw et al., in prep.



but e.g.the the jet region in M87 is much more polarized!

The future - and M4

SCUBA-2 is planned for ~2004 on the JCMT & can use the same polarimeter as SCUBA. It will map ≥ 100x faster than SCUBA with a 8' FOV and dual 850/450 µm arrays...

• BUT:

- it would still take ~ 1000 nights to extend our Galactic Centre mosaic to the M4 Galactic Plane survey region! (100x10 deg.)
- 100 µm emission is much brighter then 850/450 µm (except for extremely cold dust), so typical clouds such as Elias16 would be much easier to do in the far-IR

Thus we can only do large-scale surveys with M4....

Wavelength Dependence of Far-IR and Submillimeter Polarization

C. Darren Dowell (Caltech) 21 October 1999

 Data:
 Clouds forming massive stars

 KAO
 60 μm, 100 μm

 CSO
 350 μm

 [JCMT 850 μm]

 [NRAO 1300 μm]

Observations:

- I) Cloud cores (flux maxima): Often, $dP/d\lambda > 0$. (Optically thick \Rightarrow optically thin?) In one unusual case, $dP/d\lambda << 0$. (abs. in Sgr B2)
- II) Cloud envelopes (everywhere else):

A) $d\theta/d\lambda \iff 0 \Rightarrow$ Magnetic field structure + multiple cloud (temperature) components

- B) $d\theta/d\lambda \approx 0$: Observe $dP/d\lambda < 0$ (λ =60-350 µm). \Rightarrow Multiple dust components
 - 1) Emissivity index (β)/polarization correlation
 - 2) Temperature/polarization correlation

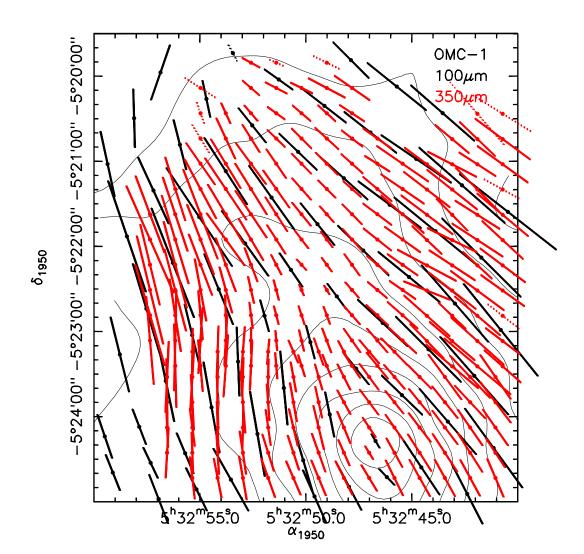
References:

Hildebrand et al. (1999) – ApJ 516: 834 – dP/d λ < 0 in envelopes Schleuning (1998) – ApJ 493: 811 – dP/d λ > 0 in Orion core Dowell (1997) – ApJ 487: 237 – dP/d λ << 0 in Sgr B2 core

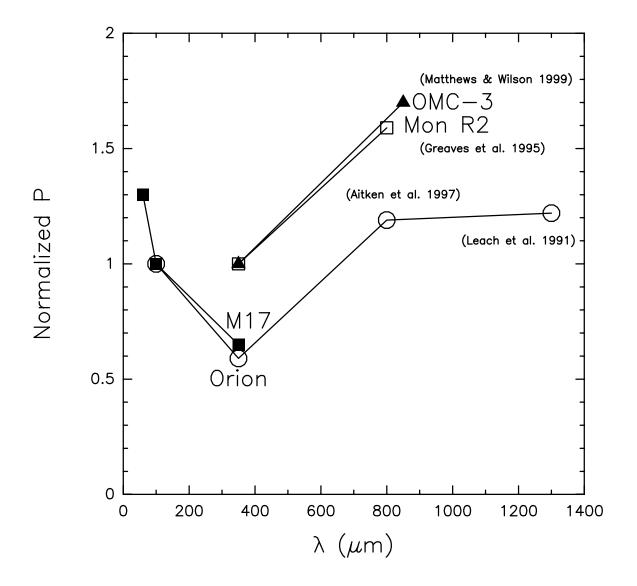
Polarization Histograms: KAO and CSO

(Figure to be pasted in.)

Note: Complete data sets with only partial overlap of sources. See Hildebrand et al. (1999).



 $P(350 \ \mu m)/P(100 \ \mu m) = 0.59.$



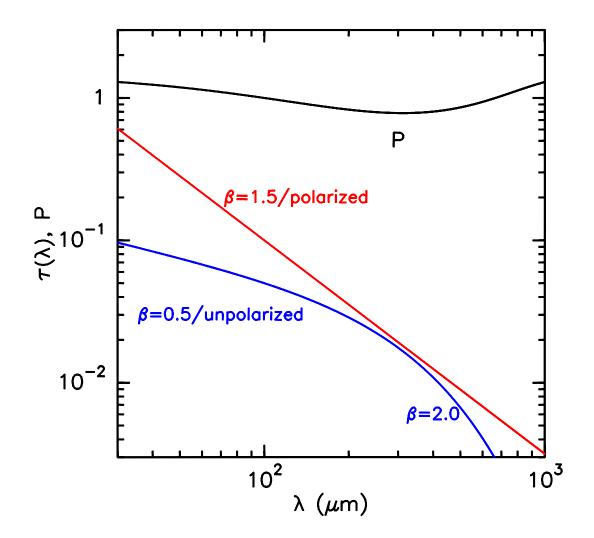
FIR Polarization Spectrum – Not the Signature of a Single Grain Species

(Figure to be pasted in.)

Oblate grains, a/b = 0.5. See Hildebrand et al. (1999).

Explanations for Dip in Polarization Spectrum

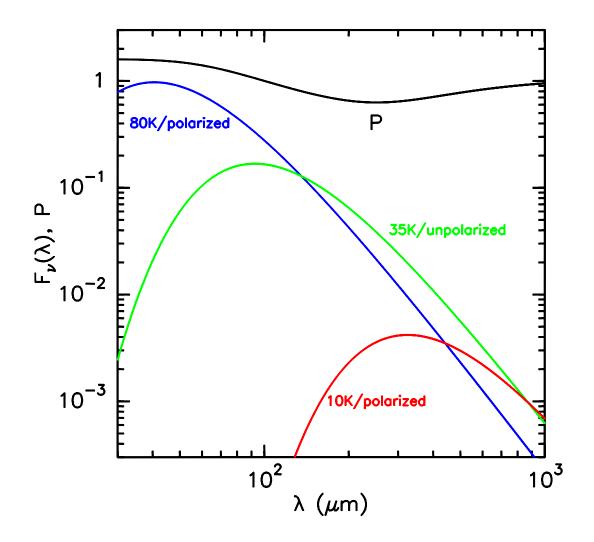
1) 2+ grain components, one polarized and one not, with different β 's:



Silicate/graphite (1:1) with Draine(1985) emissivity can reproduce **neither** the steepness of the 60-350 μ m polarization spectrum **nor** the rise toward 1 mm.

Explanations for Dip in Polarization Spectrum

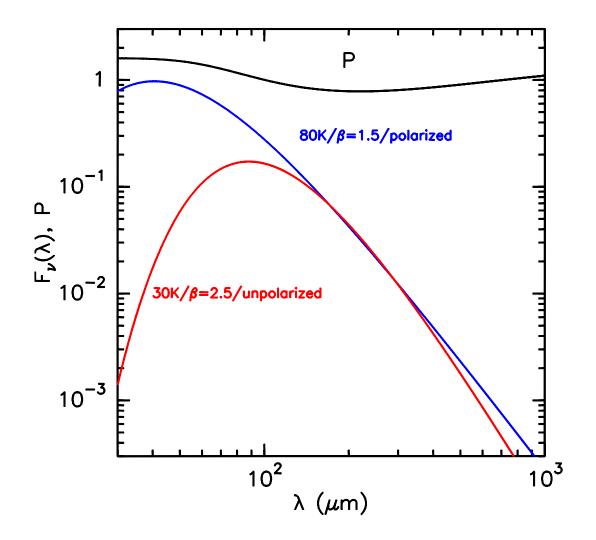
2a) 2+ temperature components, one polarized and one not:



- 80K, polarized regions near embedded stars
 35K, unpolarized regions deep in cloud, away from stars. 'Bad' grains.
- 10K polarized regions cloud surfaces (?) [Not in original Hildebrand et al. (1999) model.]

Explanations for Dip in Polarization Spectrum

2b) Combination of temperature and emissivity effects:



Evidence for anticorrelation of temperature and submillimeter β in Orion: Lis et al. (1998), ApJ 509: 299.

Predictions

Hildebrand et al. (1999) suggest that grains exposed to UV/optical photons are better aligned. Resulting predictions:

1) Warmer lines of sight should have larger polarization.

[Existing data: In Orion, weak correlation of P(100 μ m) with Fv(100 μ m)/Fv(350 μ m); stronger correlation for P(350 μ m). Seeing mostly 'good' grains at $\lambda <=100 \ \mu$ m in clouds with OB stars?]

- 2) Optically thick clouds devoid of stars should have relatively low polarization.
- 3) Translucent clouds should have relatively large submillimeter polarization. If the graphite grains are unaligned and are warmer than the aligned silicate grains, then the far-IR polarization will be smaller. $(dP/d\lambda > 0.)$

CMB Foreground from Aligned Dust

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Goal of the research:

Disentangle CMB polarized emission from the polarized dust contribution

Science:

CMB: additional info on cosmological parameters, e.g. reionization optical depth, tensor to scalar amplitude ratio

IMPORTANCE: constrains inflationary models, provides model-independent test of the existence of primordial gravitational wave background

Magnetic fields: maps of magnetic fields including high and intermediate attitudes

IMPORTANCE: provides understanding of magnetic field origin and evolution

Physics of Dust: dust polarization as a function of wavelength

IMPORTANCE: contributes to the solution of the mystery of grain alignment; constrains grain-size distribution and interstellar conditions

Polarized Foreground from Dust

1. Rotational emission from spinning ultra-small grains ($a < 10^{-7}$ cm, $\nu < 70$ GHz). 2. Vibrational emission from classical large grains ($a > 10^{-6}$ cm, $\nu > 70$ GHz)

Reviews:

Lazarian, A., Goodman, A., & Myers, P. 1997, *ApJ*, **490**, pgs 273 Draine, B.T., & Lazarian, A. 1999, astro-ph 9902356 Prunet, S., & Lazarian, A. 1999, astro-ph 9902314

Approach to foregrounds

To separate the contribution at the frequency range of interest for CMB one can measure the polarized signal at higher frequencies at which the contribution is dominated by dust. Then one can subtract the emission provided that we know how polarized emissivity scales with frequency.

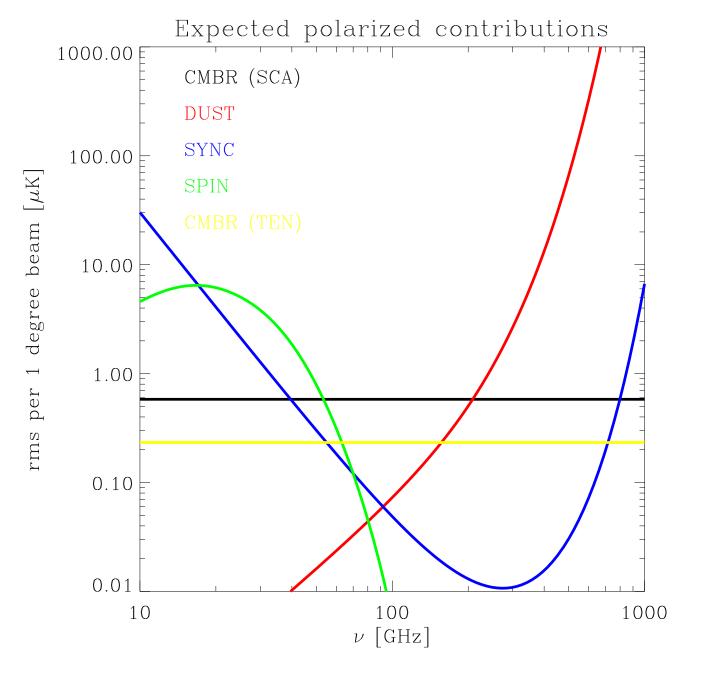
Ongoing measurements of CMB polarization.

Most of these observations will have begun in the next two years, with the exception of the PLANCK LFI and HFI instruments, which are scheduled for launch in 2007. For each experiment, the beam size listed is the smallest, since many of the experiments have beam sizes that vary with frequency.

Experiment	Beamsize (Degrees)	Frequency (GHz)	Receiver	Site
VLA POLATRON PLANCK HFI PIQU PIQU2 MAP boomerang2000 PLANCK LFI POLAR COMPASS SPORT	$\begin{array}{c} 0.02\\ 0.04\\ 0.08\\ 0.22\\ \leq 0.2\\ 0.23\\ ???\\ 0.20\\ 7\\ \leq 0.2\\ 7\\ \leq 0.2\\ 7\end{array}$	8.44 96 143, 217, 545 40, 92 22, 33, 40, 61, 98 ??? 30, 44, 70, 100 30, 90 40, 90 22, 32, 60, 90	interfer. bolometers bolometers HEMT HEMT bolometers HEMT HEMT HEMT HEMT	NM desert OVRO space L2 Princeton high alt.ŝite space L2 ld. balloon space L2 Madison high alt. site space
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data from

Staggs, S. T., Gundersen, J. O., & Church, S. E. 1999, astro-ph/9904062



Expected rms contributions of the different polarization mechanisms as a function of frequency. The CMB polarization signals, both scalar- and tensor-induced, are shown for comparison. Spinning dust grains and synchrotron polarized contributions are taken to be 10% of their unpolarized counterpart. From Prunet & Lazarian (1999).

Significance of M4

- Before Planck (2007?) Provide templates for correcting for dust contribution. Prior to 2007 or probably later M4 will be the only instrument that can supply info on aligned grain contribution.
- After Planck (2007?) Planck will measure emission at much lower frequencies. M4 will provide benchmark tests to determine to what extend Planck's highest frequency channels are dominated by dust polarization. Studies of magnetic field in various environments.
- After Planck (2007?) Insight to dust physics by comparing Planck and M4 data.

M4: Inner Galaxy Survey

- Main Goal: Structure of the field, correspondence to density/velocity structure on pc-kpc scales
 - Roles of breakout, bubbles, spiral structure
- Comparison with Polarimetry in other Spiral Galaxies (same as ionized gas or no?)
- What should the shape of the survey be?
- As far as we can figure out--we *cannot* say much about: scale height, field reversals
- Producing polarization map *models* from field models critical





M4 Primary Science Program

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- Milky Way Disk Survey (MWS)
- Nearby, Dark, Star Forming Cloud Complex Survey (DCS)
- Infrared Cirrus Survey (ICS)
- Nearby Galaxy Survey (AGS)
- Guest Investigator Surveys (GIS)
- Performance Verification Phase (PV)
- Calibration Observations (CO)
- Extended Mission Plan (EMP)





- Key Science Questions:
 - Q1: What is the structure of the Milky Way's magnetic field in the star forming ISM?
 - Q2: What roles do spiral structure, superbubbles, and breakout play?
 - Q3: What is the magnetic context on kpc to pc scales?
- 1,350 sq degrees survey of the Inner Galactic Disk
 - Longitude range -60 to + 60 degrees
 - Latitude range -5 to +5 degrees
 - Extended blowout region (|b| to 10deg, $|l| \sim 30$ deg)
- Angular resolution requirements
 - PFOV of order 1.5-2 arcmin
- Sensitivity Position angle uncertainty under 3deg everywhere
- Wavelengths ~ 100 um





- Key Science Questions:
 - Q1: Are magnetic fields central to GMC and cloud formation?
 - Q2: Is B field structure related to cloud axes (spatial, kinematic)?
 - Q3: Do B fields connect from cloud to cloud and into star forming regions within clouds? Unprecidented spatial dynamic range...
 - Test MHD models of turbulence and star formation.
- 25 sq degrees survey of Oph, Serpens Cloud Complexes
 - TBD filling factor (mixed mini-surveys) for larger area
- Sensitivity Position angle uncertainty under 3deg everywhere
- Angular resolution ~ 1.5-2 arcmin





- Key Science Questions:
 - Q1: Is the B field a dominant organizing force for IR cirrus structure? When is a filament a filament?
 - Q2: Is the B field in the IR dust similar to background starlight.
 - Q3: Is the B field in the IR dust similar to H-alpha (WHAM)
- More area is better, more time is better
 - -2x100 sq degrees surveys
- Angular resolution 1.5-2 arcmin
- Sensitivity Position angle uncertainty under 3deg everywhere





- Key Science Questions
 - Q1: What is the B field structure in the dust of M31?
 - Q2: Is the B field related to the IR ring in M31?
 - Q3: Is there a radial field from the M31 center?
- M31 is a good analog for M0, but may be viewed externally
- Survey of M31 2x3 degree area
 - arcmin pixels = 21,600 pixels
- Sensitivity Position angle uncertainty under 3deg everywhere





- Targets chosen from orbit segments not allocated to Science Team Surveys
- Extragalactic & Galactic targets
- 5-6 teams
- 12% of Primary Mission science (non-PV, non-cal) time
- Open Call for Proposals 1 year prior to launch
 - NASA (IPAC?) to administer call, selection
 - M4 team to provide ex-officio selection team member
 - M4 team to support GIs
 - direct funding (~100k\$ per team)
 - observations planning
 - data analysis assistance





- Part of early operations (L -> L+30) Phase D
- Establish attitude
- Test mapping modes
- Test moving parts
- Test all AOTs
- Test on-board data processing
- Monitor satellite temperatures during attitude changes
- Establish safe operating conditions
 - modify AOTs and observing plans accordingly
 - test safe modes
- Evaluate mission success likelihood
- Release aperture cover
- Establish equilibrium temperatures, He flow rates
- Verify Sensitivities
- Communicate findings to Science, GI teams





- Frequent flashes of stimulator (1/20s or so)
- Dedicated calibration observations
 - each orbit (~ 1 segment equivalent)
 - periodically (TBD)
- Astronomical Calibration Sources
 - Source #1:
 - Source #2:
 - Source #3:
- Background/Instrument Calibration
 - TBD





- 50% Science Team
 - Goals:

- 50% Guest Investigators
 - How to select?
 - Targets?

M4 10/22/99:Science from Giannino's

- Parker Instability Test
- "Pearls on a String" view of H II Regions
- Dispersion in B--dependence on scale height?
- Can we see "valleys" in Ophiuchus
- LMC in list of GO targets?
- Comparisons with synchrotron polarization.

More Decisions

- Select 2 arcmin pixels
 - Requires rotating waveplate to avoid nonmatching areas for Stokes parameters
 - Can we get required instrumental polarization over 1 deg field?







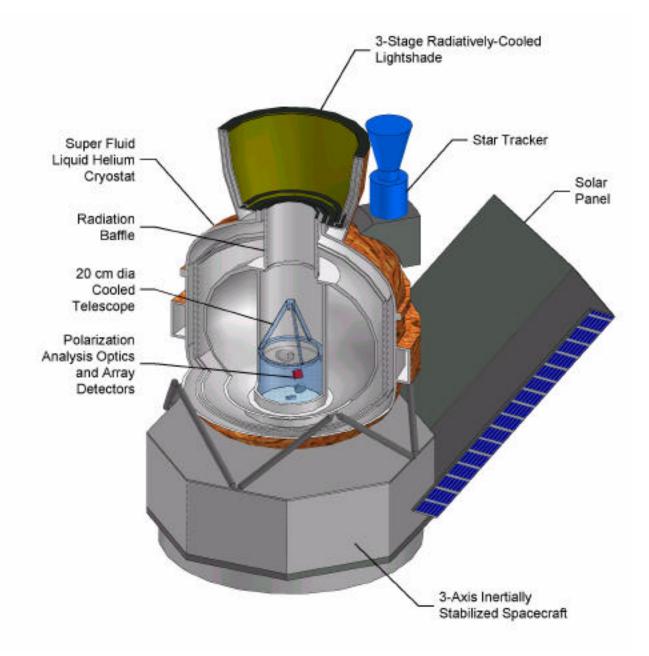
- We must do the galactic center
 - Roger will kill us if we don't
 - One of the only places with detailed B field models for testing!
- Launch Window
 - ◆ 6 months are out because Sun is in Galactic Plane
 - M4 launch window is open from February through July
- Complexity Reduction
 - reduce GI program 50% in all units (number, cost, mission time)
- Overly Lean FTE count
 - ◆ add 2 FTEs to M4/SOC for 3-4 years
 - ◆ cost from reduced GI program
- ◆ Mission Lifetime reduced by 25%
 - ◆ larger pixels means faster mapping
 - cirrus survey to fill more orbit segment gaps (from GI program)
- Shorter Lifetime = smaller dewar, instrument
 - lower mass = lower cost (models primarily based on mass)
- Launch Vehicle
 - Pegasus baselined for proposal
 - Proposal calls out Phase A search for shared ride and cost reduction
 - ◆ caution regarding funding caps coming out of Phase A

Instrument, Spacecraft, and Launch Overview

Joan Howard Ball Aerospace

Instrument Requirements

Parameter	Requirement	Features
Waveband	95µm	Matches Available SIRTF FPA's
Detector Angular Subtense	48 seconds	Oversampling diffraction blur
Field of View	~26 minutes	Matches 32x32 current detectors
S/N	Reg: 150 Goal: 600	
Cooling	Detectors<2K; Optics<6K	Light shade limiting cryo load on last proposal
Instrument polarization	<1%	Analysis meets
Calibration	<1% source	Use standard source



Ball Heritage

- Currently building SIRTF CTA and instrument which uses Ge:Ga FPA's
 - Past CDR in subassembly test
 - No major technical showstoppers
- IRAS flying successfully
 - very similar from a cryo design only smaller
- Conceptually simple design
 - simple electronics, tested FPA's, small/few element optics, but....
 - Cryo design never simple

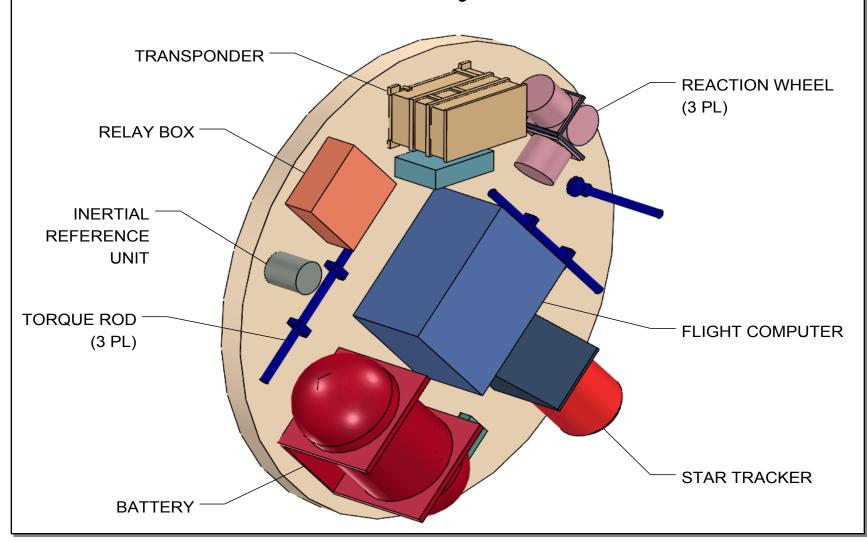
Spacecraft Requirements

- Low Cost less than \$15M?
- Accept >125 kg instrument
- Provide > 30 Watts of power to payload
- Pointing Stability < 24 seconds per data acquistion
- Fit into selected Launch Vehicle
- Data Storage: 200 Mbytes

Spacecraft Key Performance Requirements

Description Spacecraft	X-12M	SMEX	LITE SA-200S	MiniStar
Bus Mass	65.6 kg	75kg		98kg
Payload Mass	-	-		-
Capability	200 kg	91kg	200kg	180kg
Available				
Payload Power	> 100 W	150W	60W	17.5W
ACS Configuration	3-axis stabilized	3 axis zero mom	entum	
Gravity Gradient				
Attitude				
Knowledge	28 μ rad		5μ ra c	ł
.5 degree	es			
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Equipment Shelf Provides Ample Area For Subsystem Units



S/C Selection

- Meets minimum requirements
- Lowest total cost
 - nearly all COTS buses will need changes
 - integration issues
 - heritage of performance: technical, cost, schedule
- Willing to work with team
- Selection not mandatory for 1st round *a* solution, not *the* solution needed

Issues/risks/options

- Need good story for aperture cover esp. after WIRE
- Light shade a key driver in itself and for cryo design
- Star tracker vs. gyro
- battery size vs. eclipse
- CPU capabilities/memory on orbit computation vs. downlink
- configuration drivers: LV, COTS, star tracker location, timeline, launch date

Launch Options

Option	Pros	Cons
Dedicated Launch	We have more timing control, fewer constraints on design, right orbit	\$\$\$\$\$\$\$
Share with equal	Workable timing, co- manifest layout, right orbit	How to find the partner, stay coordinated throughout program
Rent a ride	Save \$\$\$\$\$ - maybe \$15M, huge mass margin	No launch timing control, not many LEO opportunities, fewer opportunities that would accept cryo, orbit may be problematic







MIPS Germanium Detectors

Erick Young

October 22, 1999



MIPS Detector Arrays

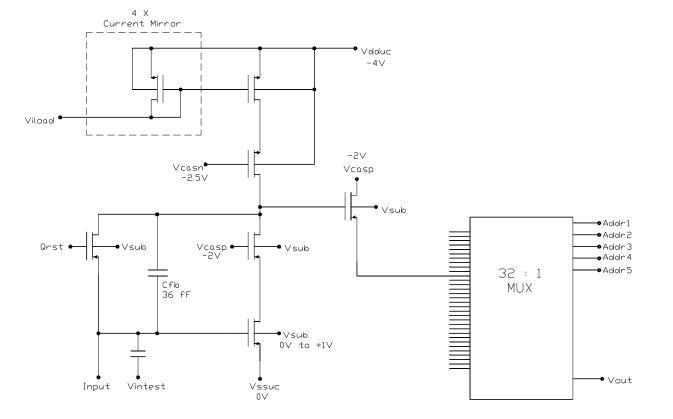


Band	Detector Type	Format	Wavelength Coverage (µm)
24 µm	Si:As BIB	128 x 128	20.5 – 26.5
70 µm	Ge:Ga	32 x 32	60 – 80 50 - 95
160 µm	Stressed Ge:Ga	2 x 20	140 - 180



CRC-696 Readout Schematic Capacitive Transimpedance Amplifier

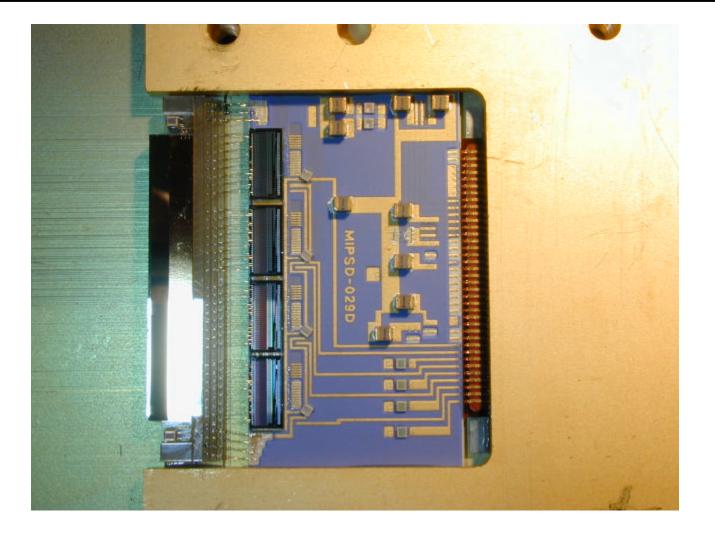






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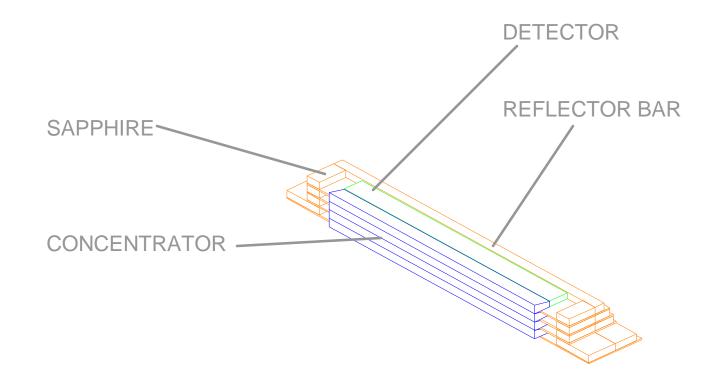






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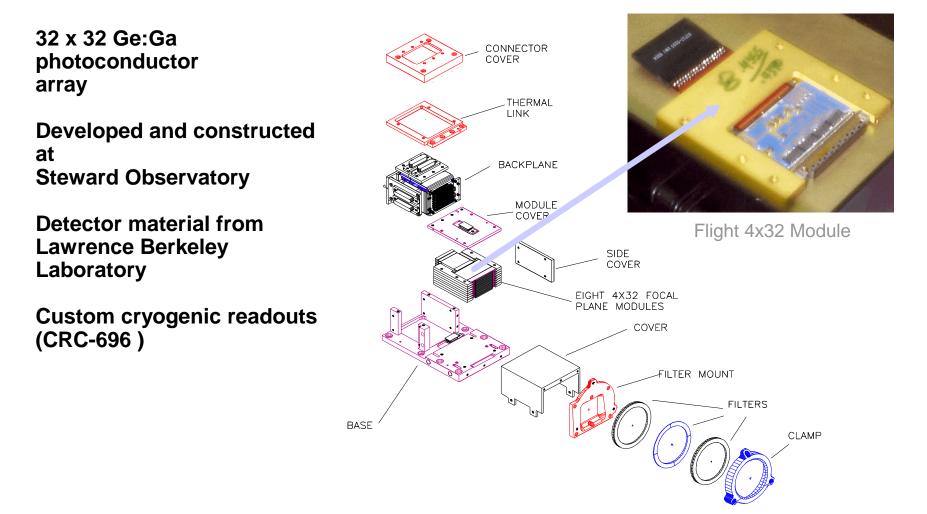






$70 \, \mu m$ Array





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Pixel Addressing Order



Ge:Ga ARRAY ADDRESSING SCHEME

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2	6	10	14	18	22	26	30	2	6	10	14	18	22	26	30	г	6	10	14	18	22	26	30	2	6	10	14	18	22	26	30	MODULE 8
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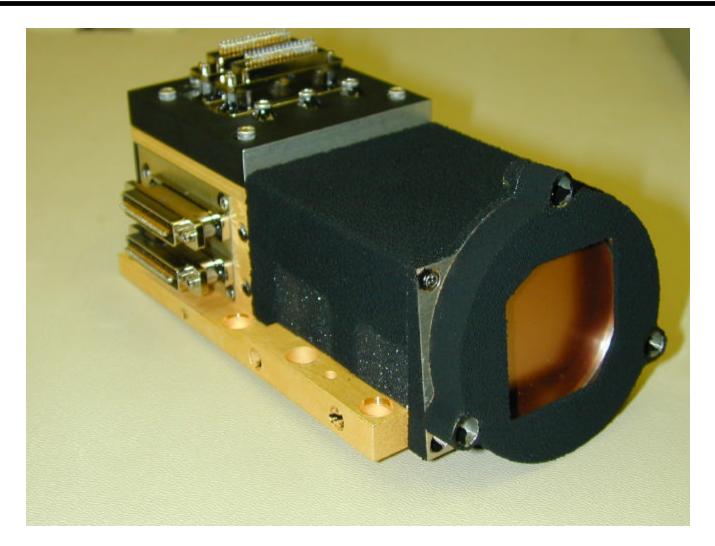
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Flight 70 µm Array

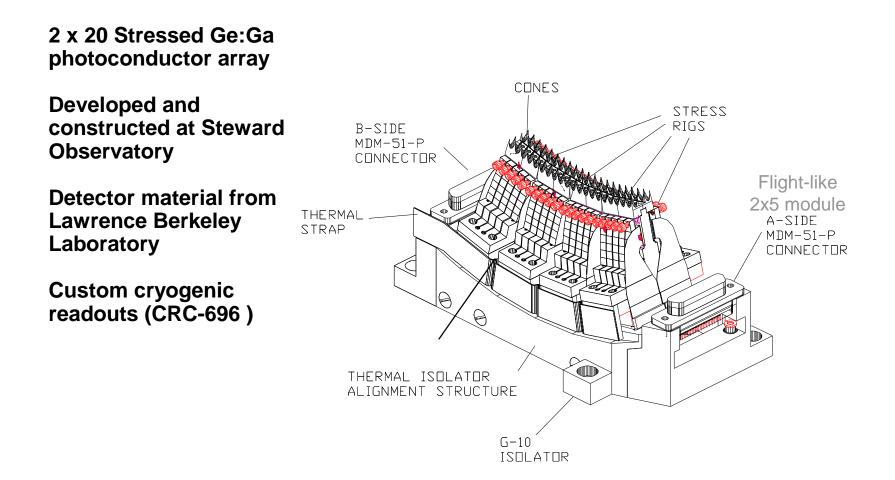








160 µm Array

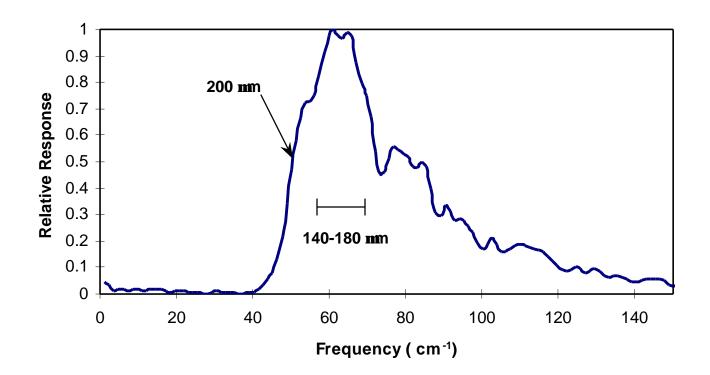




Stressed Detector Spectral Response



Stressed Detector Element#2 Raw Response





Stress Array Pixel Order



VIEW FROM FRONT OF STRESS Ge:Ga ARRAY

2	3	4	5	6	2	3	4	5	6	2	3	4	5	6	2	3	4	5	6
6	5	4	З	2	6	5	4	3	5	6	5	4	З	5	6	5	4	З	2
	RIG 1			RIG 2				RIG 3											

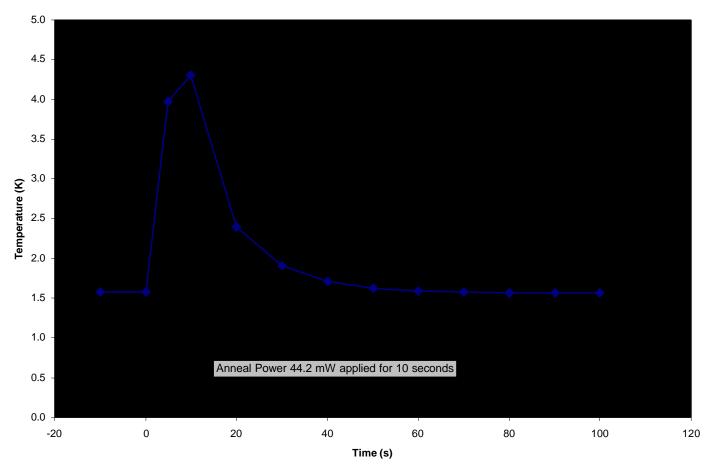
DURING EACH FRAME, EIGHT PIXELS ARE ADDRESSED PER READOUT, BUT ONLY PIXELS 2, 3, 4, 5, AND 6 ARE CONNECTED TO DETECTORS. SIGNALS APPEAR ON EIGHT PARALLEL OUTPUTS. FOR EXAMPLE, ALL PIXEL "2's" ARE ADDRESSED AND AVAILABLE AT THE SAME TIME.



Anneal Test



Qualification Model Stress Array Anneal Performance

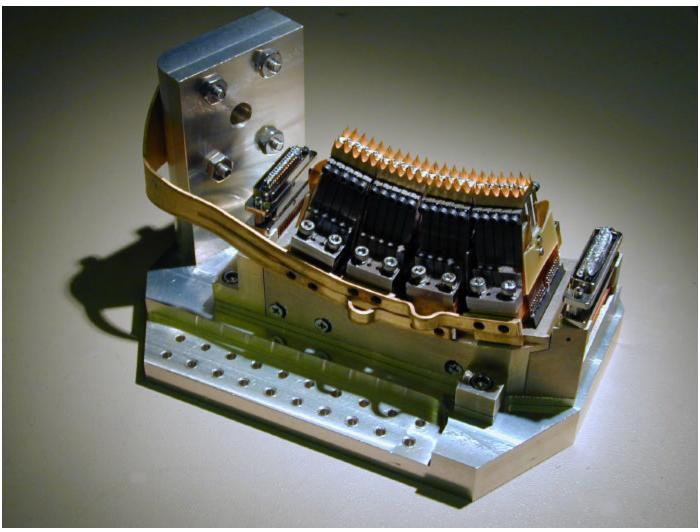


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Flight Stress Detector Array





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- 24 µm Array
 - Flight, Spare, and Qualification Units delivered to Ball by Boeing
 - Being installed today
- 70 μm Array
 - Flight Array has been delivered to Ball and has been installed into instrument
 - Flight Spare under construction
- 160 μm Array
 - Flight Array has been delivered to Ball and has been installed into instrument
 - Flight Spare under construction

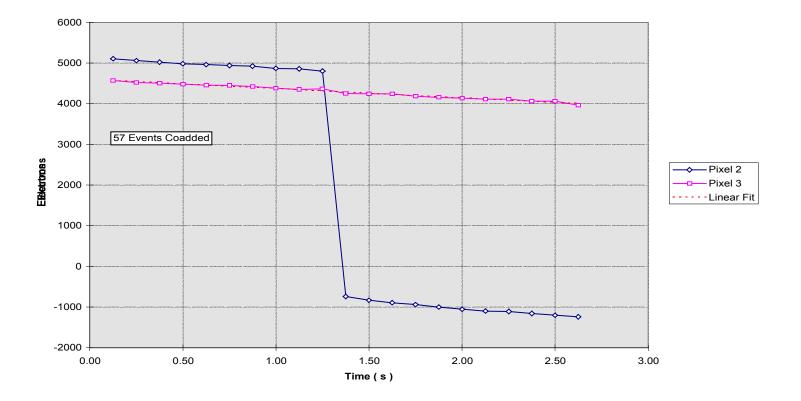


Future Prospects

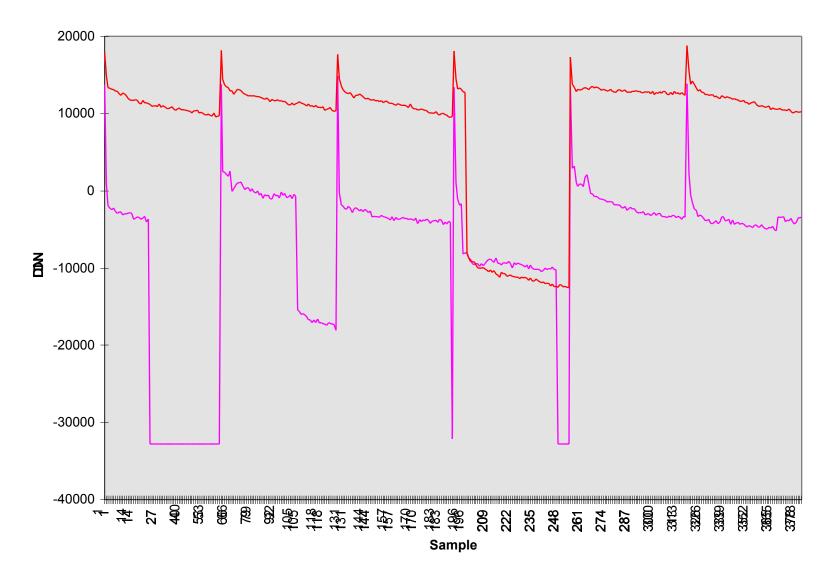


- Advanced readouts for high backgrounds
 - SBRC 190 readout has been fabricated to support SOFIA farinfrared arrays
 - Switchable gains to give full wells 2×10^4 to 8×10^7 electrons
 - Built in sample and hold to eliminate time skew with rapid readout
- Larger format arrays
 - 64 x 64 Camera for SOFIA
 - Coverage to 130 μ m with Ge:Sb photoconductors

Crosstalk Due to Proton Hit



60 MeV Proton Hit Data







M4 Management Issues, Structure, Plan

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Outline



- Management Functions
- M4 Management Challenges
- Lessons Learned
- A Draft Management Plan
- M4 Science & Operations Center
- Science Dollars left after M4 construction
- Identifying Key Personnel





- Assume overall Project responsibility (PI function)
 - including recommending termination if science objectives cannot be met within cost/schedule reserves.
- Provide oversight of all units, subcontracts
- Develop, maintain schedule
- Monitor, control cost
- Conduct reviews
- Issue reports (cost, schedule, performance, failure, ...)
- Plan, Manage, and Mitigate risk





- M4 Instrument and S/C will both be subcontracts
 - large subcontracts! (~80% of non-rocket costs)
 - how best to oversee Ball and other contractors?
 - avoiding problems
 - solving problems
 - ensuring good communication
- Minimal experience with large project management
 - how best to borrow or buy good management experience?
 - how best to train key personnel?
- Cost control
 - instrument & S/C performance and features
 - which are required? which not?
 - reserve and margin management policy & implementation?
 - preserving MO&DA
 - at "all costs"?
 - priority ranking of MO&DA item value



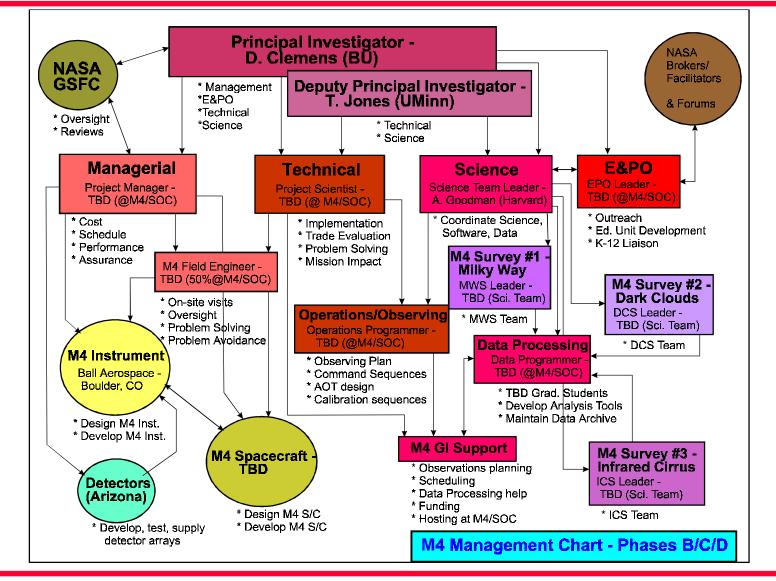


- PIREX and M4/1997 were management challenged.
- PI role in M4/97 was excessively central
 - more delegation necessary
 - more distribution of functions through entire M4 organization needed
- Lean management necessary
 - SWAS model will not work with \$\$ we have to spend
 - large operations staff
 - long mission lifetime



M4 Draft Management Chart





10/22/99

M4/1999 Meeting





- Phase A
 - Concept Design
 - Concept Study Report
 - -2 FTE's (PI + PM)
- Phase B/C/D
 - Preliminary Design Oversight
 - Detailed Design Oversight, Data processing & operations development
 - Development Oversight, flight scheduling, testing
 - PI/DPI (DPC part time; TJJ visits, telecons)
 - Management (PM + Field Engineer)
 - Technical (PS + Programmer#1)
 - Science (Science Lead [AG] + Programmer#2)
 - E&PO (EPO Lead)
 - 6 FTE's, 2 PT, graduate+UG students





- Phase E
 - PI/DPI (both full time during flight; part time after flight)
 - PM, FE released after flight
 - PS leads day-to-day SOC activities
 - 5 FTE's during flight, 3 FTE's after flight, + grad&UG students





- Total ~9M\$ in MO&DA rough budget
- M4/SOC
 - Phase B/C/D cost ~ 2M\$ (3yrs @ 5 FTE's ave + hardware)
 - Phase E cost ~ 1.5M (4 yrs @ 3 FTE's + travel)
- GI Program
 - 1.3M\$ (15 investigations)
- E&PO
 - 0.8M (1.6%)
- Science Team
 - 3.4M\$ (~12 groups @ 0.75 postdocs for 3 years)





- Project Manager
- Field Engineer
- Project Scientist
- Operations/Observing Programmer
- Data Processing Programmer
- E&PO Leader
- M4 Survey Leaders
 - MWS Leader
 - DCS Leader
 - ICS Leader
- M4 Survey Teams
 - MWS Team
 - DCS Team
 - ICS Team





M4 Implementation Issues

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Outline



- We do not need to start over M4/97 as a basis for M4/99
- M4/97 Implementation
 - Instrument
 - S/C
 - Operations
 - Data
- M4/97 Weaknesses
- Delta's M4/99 Improvements over M4/97
- Remaining "Tall Poles" & Risks
- Remaining Trades & TBDs
- Appendices -- Why things are the way they are in M4





- M4/1997 nearly made it into the "final dozen" of 50+ proposals
 - Highly rated science
 - Highly rated implementation
- M4/1997 proposal did a good job of "following the data"
 - from source flux
 - to detection
 - to observing modes
 - to data compression
 - to downlink
 - to data processing
 - to science analyses
- Let's start with M4/97 and look for places to improve





- Instrument
 - Telescope & Cryostat
 - Detectors
 - No-moving-parts imaging polarimeter
- Spacecraft
 - 3-axis stabilized SWAS-like
 - gyro-less
 - performance well-matched to instrument requirements
- Operations
 - satellite roll & orbit segments polarimetry on the cheap
 - only 3 observing templates (AOTs) needed
- Data
 - detector readout
 - calibration issues
 - charged particles
 - uplink/downlink



Instrument



- Telescope
 - -20cm = largest telescope primary diameter to fit inside dewar
 - cooled to 5-6K with effluent He gas
 - 120 arcsec diffration limit at 95um
- Cryostat
 - "STD" SIRTF Technology Demonstration dewar
 - never flown, but strong flight heritage
 - modern design
 - required significant redesign to contain M4 telescope
 - STD designed w/o telescope in mind
- Detectors
 - Ge:Ga photoconductors
 - SIRTF/MIPS instrument derived
 - good FIR performance
 - high pixel count twin 32x32 arrays
 - modest temperature operation for background-limited performance
 - 2K (vs < 0.3K for bolometers)
 - multiplexed readouts for low focal plane heat load





- Cassegrain telescope
- Wire-grid beam splitter
- Twin detector arrays each sees opposite polarization sense
- Satellite roll about bore sight direction
 - fixed 45 degree orientations through one orbit "segment"
 - follow orbit around Earth as a series of segments & rolls
 - detectors for "ISS" = Instantaneous Single Stokes parameters at each orientation
 - 45 degree roll to another orientation turns "U" -> "Q"
 - more rolls turn "Q" -> "U*" and "U*" -> "Q*"
 - * values have detector number switched to remove systematics
- Full observation consists of four orbit segments



Spacecraft

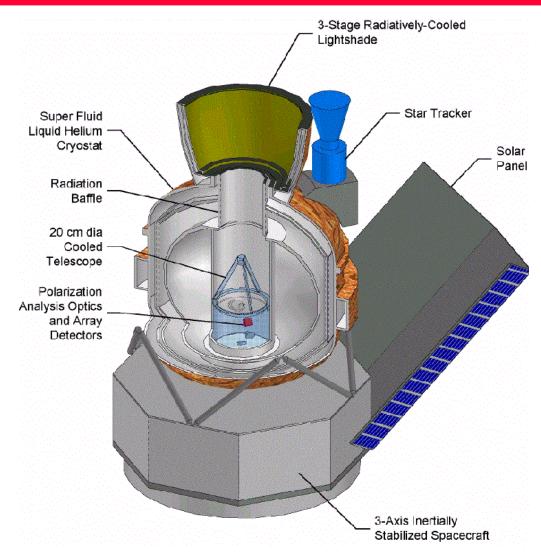


- 3-axis stabilized (SWAS, WIRE like)
- Modest pointing, tracking, jitter requirements
 - beamsize is 120", pixel size 48" so pointing, jitter less than 20" fine
 - don't need most expensive star tracker
 - don't need gyros!
 - big weight savings
 - Ball CT-631 star tracker can develop all finding, pointing information needed
- Must slew between pointings moderately quickly to make raster mapping efficient
 - 11 seconds
- Must develop good electrical power
 - 150-170 watts
- If orbit and launch date selected properly, won't be eclipsed by Earth during Helium lifetime
 - batteries only needed through launch event
 - mass savings



M4/1997 Satellite Configuration



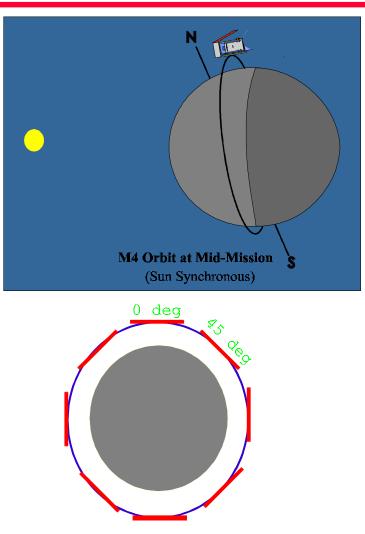




M4 Operations



- Sun-sync orbit
 - dawn-dusk
 - viewing "back" from the orbit
 - Sun avoidance 92deg
 - Earth avoidance 52 deg
- Orbit Segments
 - 8-12 per orbit
 - 45 deg roll between
 - fixed orientations during each segment
 - 8-12 min segments

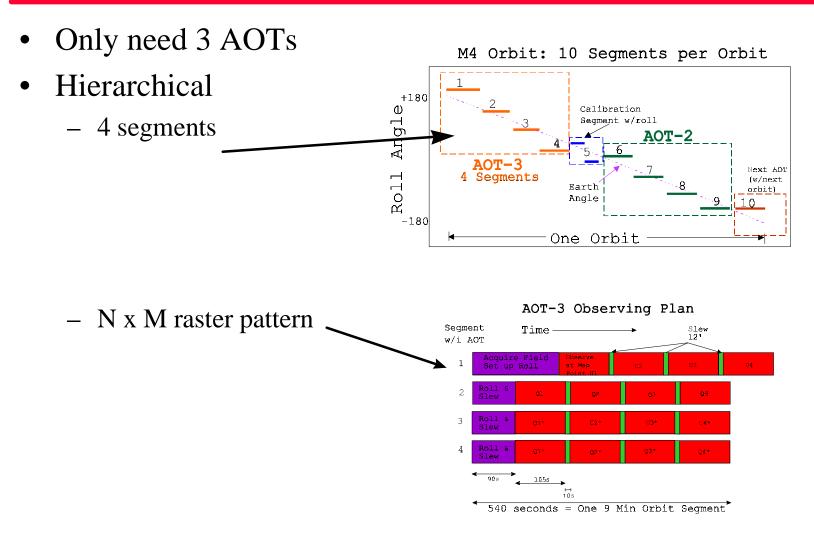


M4 Satellite Roll Angle



Observing Templates

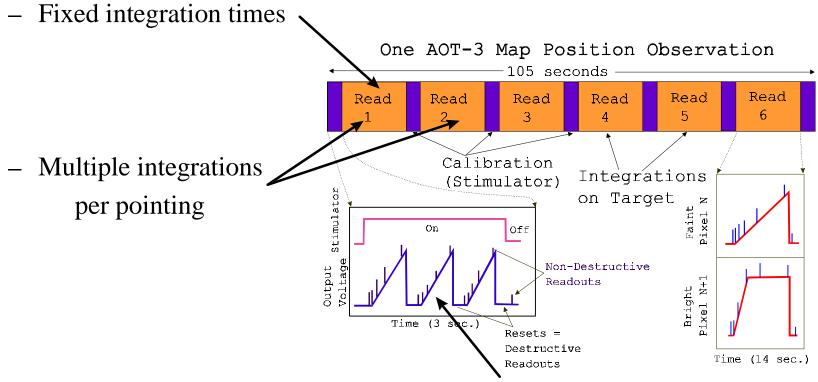






Operations II





– Interspersed Stimulator flashes for Calibration



Data flow



- Preserve 600:1 S/N for all scene illumination levels
 - lowest level -> Cirrus = 1 MJy/sr target SB
 - highest level -> Galactic Center = 20,000 MJy/sr target SB
 - lowest NESB = 0.2 MJy/sr
 - maxium dynamic range = 600 * 20,000 / 0.2 = 60 million!
 - but don't need all of this -> GC is target noise limited, not background
- Split up dynamic range across units
 - detector well depth
 - ADC conversion gain
 - AOT integration times
 - Raster map overlaps and resamples
 - Orbit segment redundancy
- Conversion gain to oversample noise in background limit
 - 0.02 MJy/sr/ADU





• AOT Summary

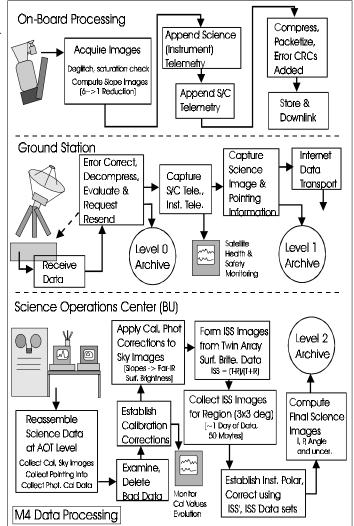
	AOT-1	AOT-2	AOT-3
T(int.) [s]	0.15	1.5	14
Reads/map point	33	6	6
Cal Rate [1/s]	1/20	1/6.5	1/16
Map raster	5x5	4x4	2x2
Area/4 seg [sq.deg.]	1.13	0.73	0.18
Eff. ISS T(int) [s]	40	72	672
Data Vol./AOT [Mb]	6.1	1.7	0.8
Survey Application	G. Center,	G. Plane,	Cirrus,
	Plane	Dark Cl.	Galaxies



Data Flow



- Use "standard" NASA uplink and downlink services
 - No dedicated M4 ground station
 - reduced cost
 - Limited to <6min downlink per day
 - must compress data before downlink
 - must deglitch on-board
 - Must operate in robotic mode for
 - 1-3 days w/o uplink
 - must store up to 3 days of data for all AOT mixes







- Needed 4 consecutive "segments" to obtain full Stokes parameter set
 - U, Q, U', Q'
- 92 deg Sun avoidance
- 52 deg Earth avoidance
- size of region which could be viewed by 4 segments --> 0
 - originally had 8 segments per orbit
 - even with 12 the 4-segment overlap was exceedingly small
- ISO PHT polarimetry experience
 - worked, but...
 - responsivity drifts on many time scales
 - need to cycle through polarization position angles many times
 - two cycles through 3 wire grids inadequate





- M4/1999 must have a "rapidly" rotating half-wave plate
- M4/1999 needs a larger instrument Field of View
 - Wider is generally better for mapping
 - Faster mapping
 - More sensitivity to faintest surface brightness levels
 - Wider is harder for telescope, collimator, halfwave plate, camera mirror designs
 - Makes mapping brightest scenes (Galactic Center) harder
 - must readout even faster to avoid saturation
 - -20 cm aperture, 95um PSF = 2 arcmin
 - 1997 identified superresolution as a goal
 - PFOV 48 arcseconds
 - Optimum M4/1999 PFOV?
 - 75 arcseconds gives instrument FOV of 40x40 arcmin
 - ISO PHT at 160um was 92 arcseconds (and 3x3 arcmin)





- Wavelength Choice and Number
 - M4/1997 was 95um, twin detector arrays
 - redunancy and no light loss (looked at refl & trans beams from wire grid beamsplitter)
 - Longer wavelengths are better
 - more sensitivity to cooler dust
 - More wavebands is better
 - measure relative warm vs cool dust contribution to polarization
 - M4/1999 -> 2 wavelengths, still only two arrays
 - 90um 32x32 detector (refl beam)
 - 110um 32x32 detector (trans beam)





- Ge Photoconductor Detector operations
 - Charged Particle Hit Rate & Responsivities
- Data collection issues
 - Photometric Data Collection AC or DC?
 - Stimulators, Stability, and Polarimetry
 - Polarization Calibration
 - Stokes Mapping
- Cryogenic Issues
 - Thermal Management & Orbit Segments
 - Forward Light Shield
 - Cold Heat Loads
- Failure Modes
 - Gyro-less operation in the post-WIRE world
 - Batteries, solar panels, eclipse seasons
 - Aperture Cover Issues
 - Rotating Half-Wave Plate Motors, gears, mechanisms





- New M4 Orbit/operations model
- Detector operations model
- Data collection, compression, processing model
- Updated Thermal Model(s)
- Full Optical Design with half-wave plate
- Scheduling/observations planning tool





- Orbit & Lifetime
- Galactic Plane (& Center) Mapping Issues
- Telescope Aperture
- Instrument Temperature





- Cryo missions and equatorial NEOs don't work
 - Sun, Earth avoidance "overconstrain" pointing
 - need dawn-dusk orbit
 - Sun-sync (evolving) orbit "normal" to Earth-Sun line
 - Angular momentum conserving orbits hit Sun, Earth avoidance problems
 - both have Earth-eclipse "seasons"
- High orbits (>750km) can't be reached with Pegasus & M4





- Galactic Plane is almost perpendicular to ecliptic
- Sun-sync orbit sweeps through Galactic Center quickly
- For limited lifetime mission (<6 months) not all parts of sky can be viewed
- Launch date important
- Inclination important
- Eclipse season avoidance important
 - allows reducing battery mass, increasing launch mass margin
- Need the GI program to fully utilize the "other" part of the orbit not spent looking at the inner Galaxy





- Larger is better for science
 - better angular resolution
 - smaller physical sizes probed
 - trace star formation on smaller scales -> better "Origins" connection
- Limited to 20cm in SMEX config
 - Pegasus shroud limits dewar size
 - Dewar limits telescope size
- Unlikely to change for M4/1999 SMEX
 - need smaller cryogen volume to expand aperture
 - cryocooler!





- Detectors need to operate at 2K to be background limited
- Telescope needs to operate below 10K to keep instrument background limited
 - related to observing wavelength
 - shorter wavelengths can allow warmer telescope (they just won't sense any cool dust polarization)
- Superfluid Liquid Helium is the only acceptable cryogen
 - solid hydrogen (7-10K; WIRE) isn't cold enough for our detectors
 - hybrid cryostat (He for detector, H2 for telescope) is EVEN more costly
 - M4 mission lifetime determined by Helium volume (110 liters) and heat load to cryogen





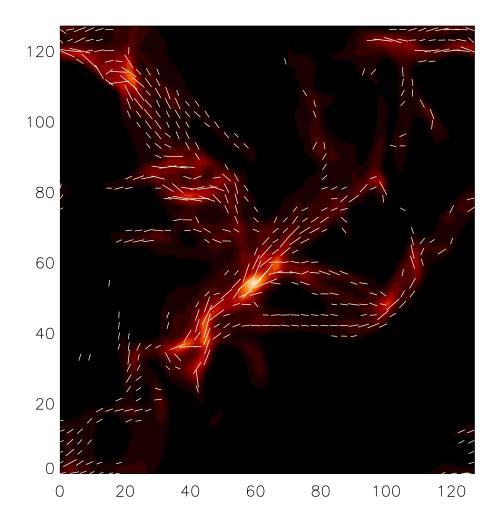
- 2-K space qualified cryocoolers are not yet available
- 10-K space qualified cryocoolers are not quite ready (Ball)
- Hybrid (2K dewar for detector; 10K cryocooler for telescope) is beyond SMEX cost range
 - but might enable a long duration MIDEX mission...





- SIRTF-like configuration
 - detector cold at launch, telescope warm
 - on-orbit, telescope passively cools, then cryogen takes over
- M4 NEO won't let telescope passively cool enough
- M4 can't carry enough SFLHe to cool telescope and carry out mission

DUST EMISSION POLARIZATION MAPS: WHAT CAN BE LEARNT FROM THE **M4** EXPERIMENT?



THE SCIENCE

The magnetic field plays an important role in the galaxy, especially in the processes of molecular cloud and star formation. However, to quantify the effect of the magnetic field in these fundamental processes, it is necessary to first discover its three dimensional structure and strength in the galaxy and in single clouds. Unfortunately, we still know very little about the field strength and spatial structure.

Polarization maps provide an excellent estimate of the orientation of the magnetic field on the plane of the sky, but do not measure the field strenth or the line of sight component of the field. How can M4 two dimensional maps tell us about the three dimensional field structure and strength, and shed new light on the problem of the origin of molecular clouds and stars?

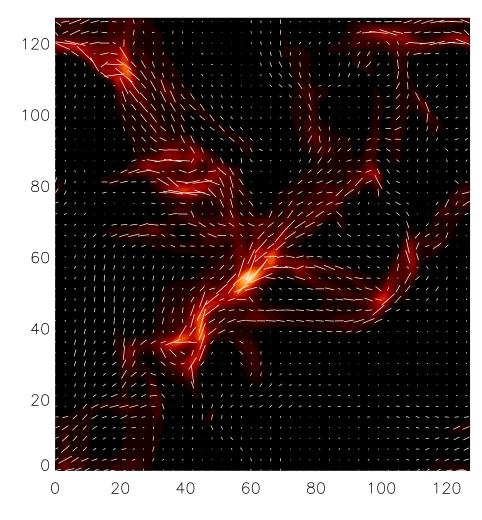
The answer relies on numerical simulations of magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) turbulence. Recent advances in numerical techniques and in computer performance have allowed the realization of large numerical experiments of MHD turbulent flows, in a regime that resembles the physical conditions in the interstellar medium (ISM). In these numerical experiments the most important parameter is the field stength (relative to the kinetic energy of the flow), that can be varied in order to study its effect.

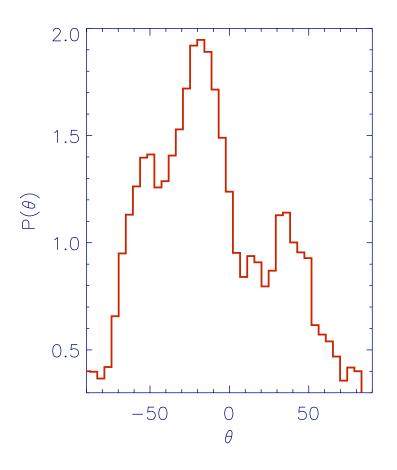
SYNTHETIC POLARIZATION MAPS

Synthetic polarization maps can be computed using the results of the MHD experiments (datacubes of density, velocity and magnetic fields), and can be compared with the observational maps obtained by M4.

Different statistics can be computed on the synthetic polarization maps, that are sensitive to the three dimensional structure and strength of the magnetic field. The same statistics can be computed on the observational polarization maps of M4, in order to extract the information about the three dimensional field strength and structure. The following are some of the statistical tools that are being developed for this purpose:

1) Histograms of polarization angle over a regularly sampled map: Information on strength and direction

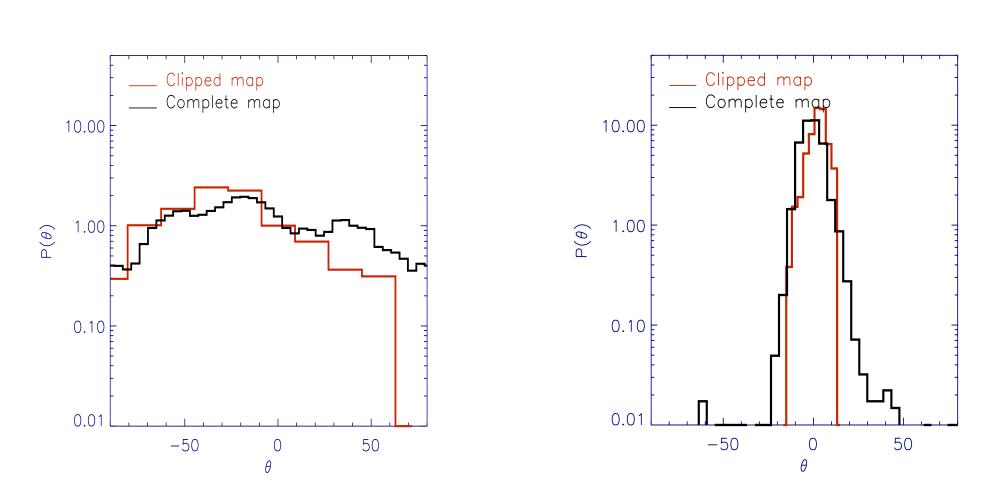




2) Histograms of polarization angle over a (clipped) map sampled only in regions of strong dust emission (eg filaments and cores) or regions of strong degree of polarization:

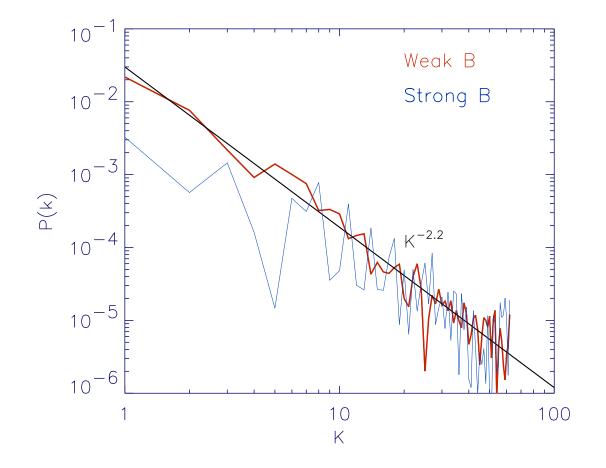
Information on strength and direction

Weak B:

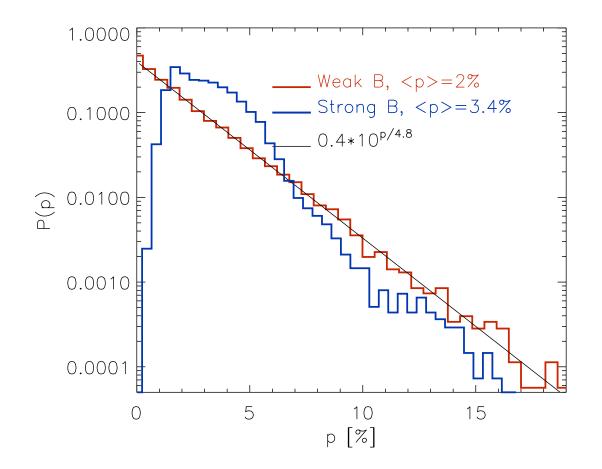


Strong B:

3) Power spectrum of polarization angle: Information on strength and direction

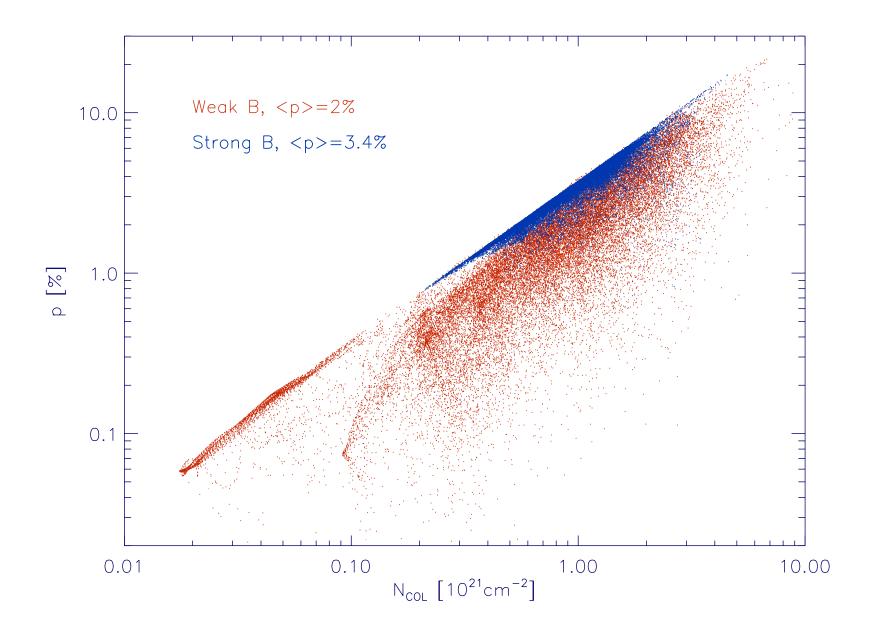


4) Histogram of degree of polarization: Information on strength and polarization efficiency



The histogram in the weak field case is a perfect exponential.

5) Degree of polarization versus dust emission: Information on strength, direction, and polarization efficiency



6) Histograms of angle between polarization vectors and major axis of filaments and cores: Information on strength