

MKIDs for CMB Studies

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Why investigate MKIDs for CMB Studies?

- **High multiplexing factors** make them particularly suitable for instruments with 10,000 or more detectors (CMB-S4, for example).
- No membranes are required and arrays can be made with a comparatively **small number of processing steps**. Fabrication in commercial foundries is possible.
- **Fast time constants** ($\sim 100 \mu\text{s}$) provide a lot of bandwidth for modulation schemes – like half-wave plate modulation – and they help with cosmic ray hits.
- **Low power consumption readout** (~ 20 watts) is commercially available. Required LNAs are available. Required firmware is open-source.

But is the sensitivity and $1/f$ noise suitable?

Horn-coupled, commercially-fabricated aluminum lumped-element kinetic inductance detectors for millimeter wavelengths

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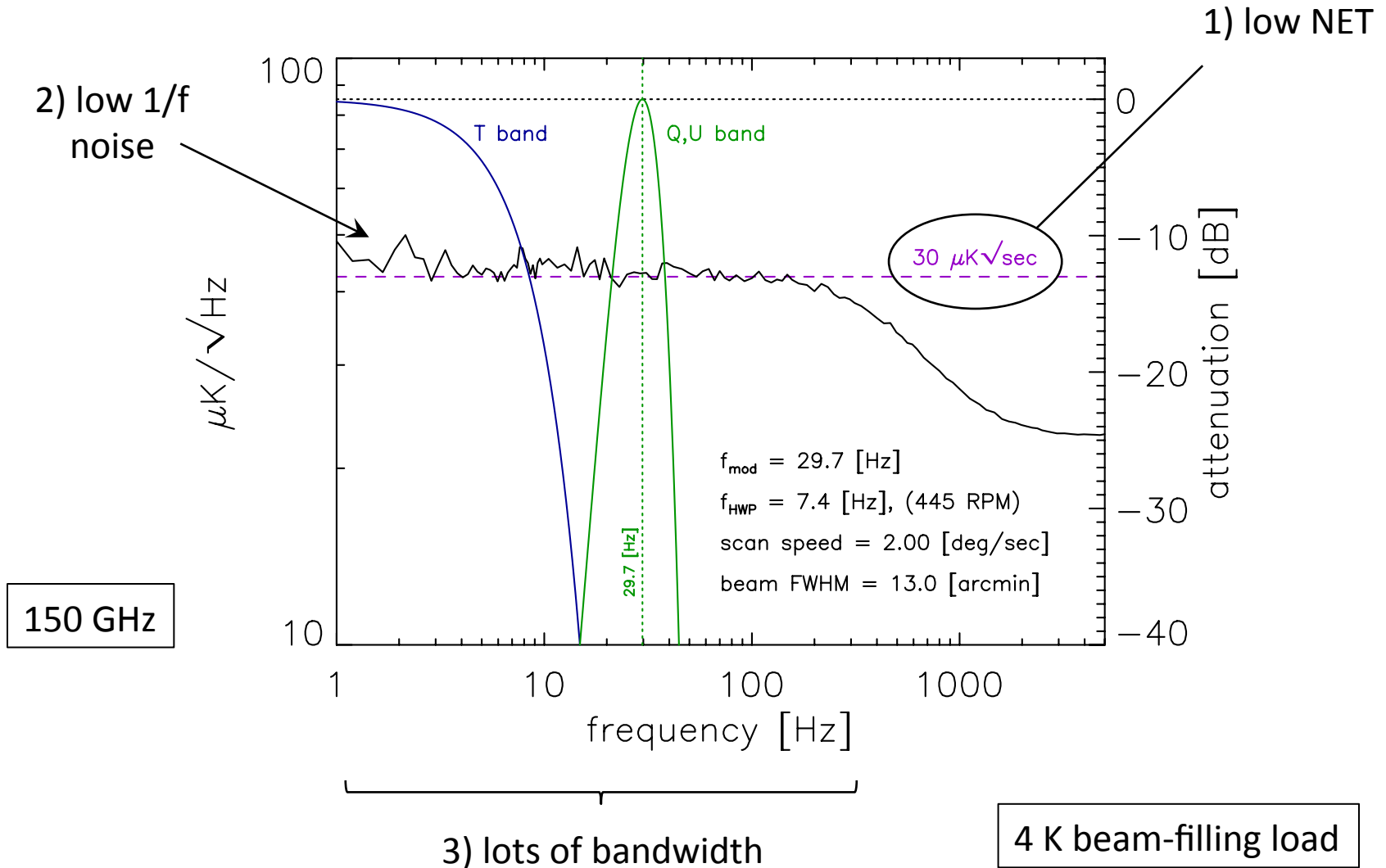
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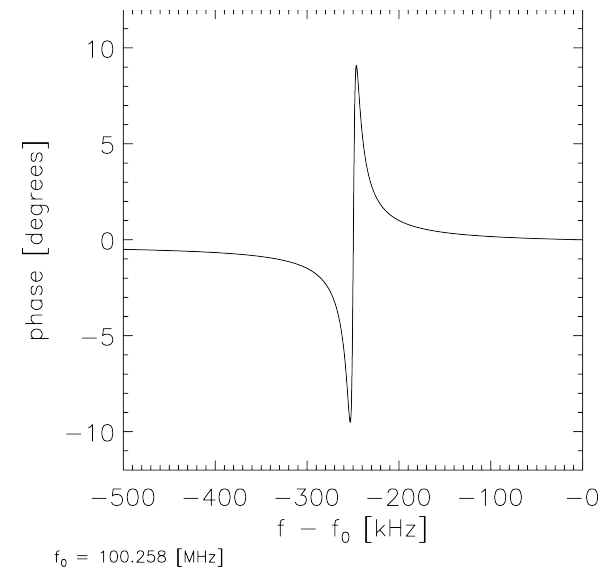
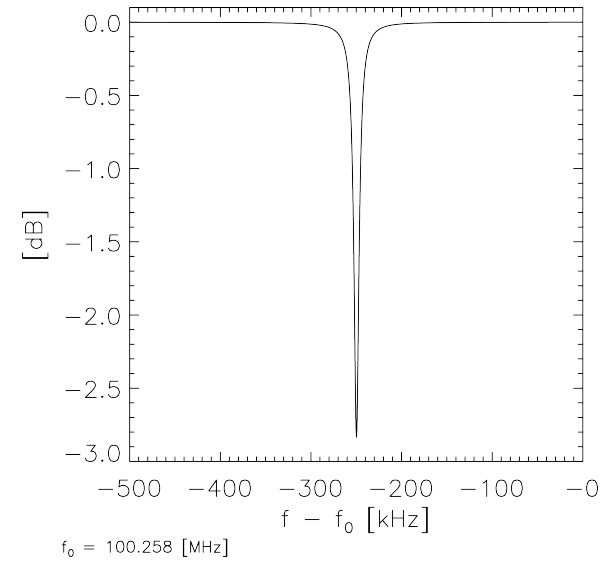
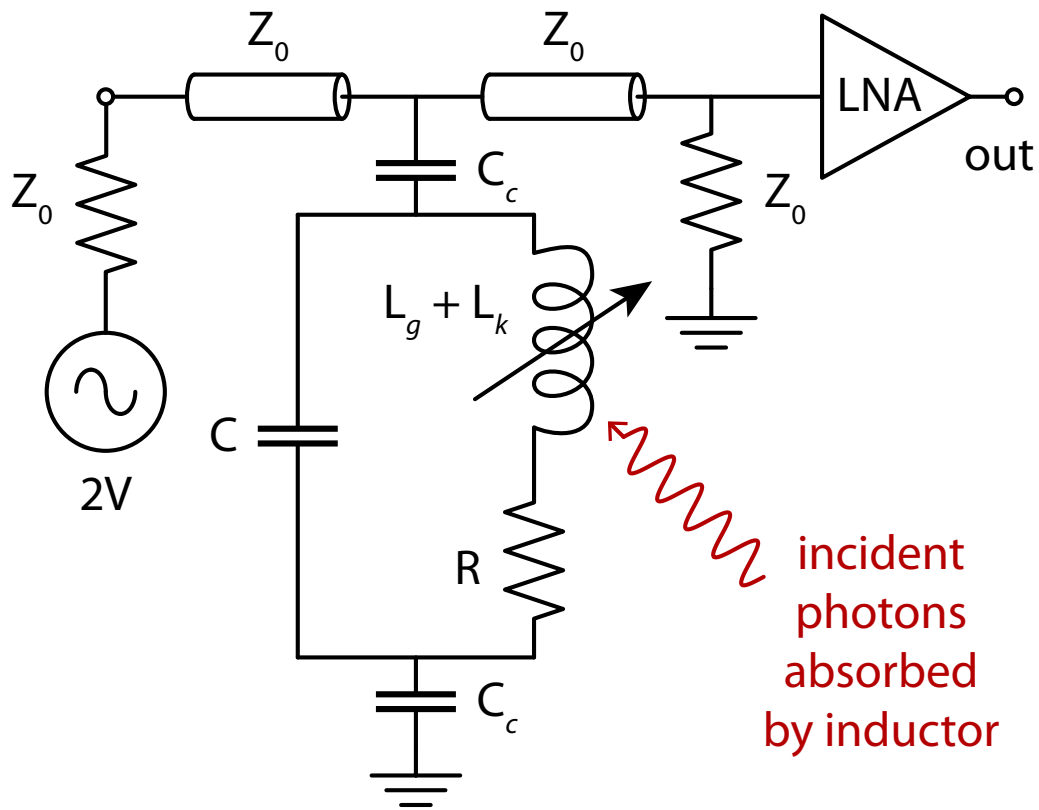
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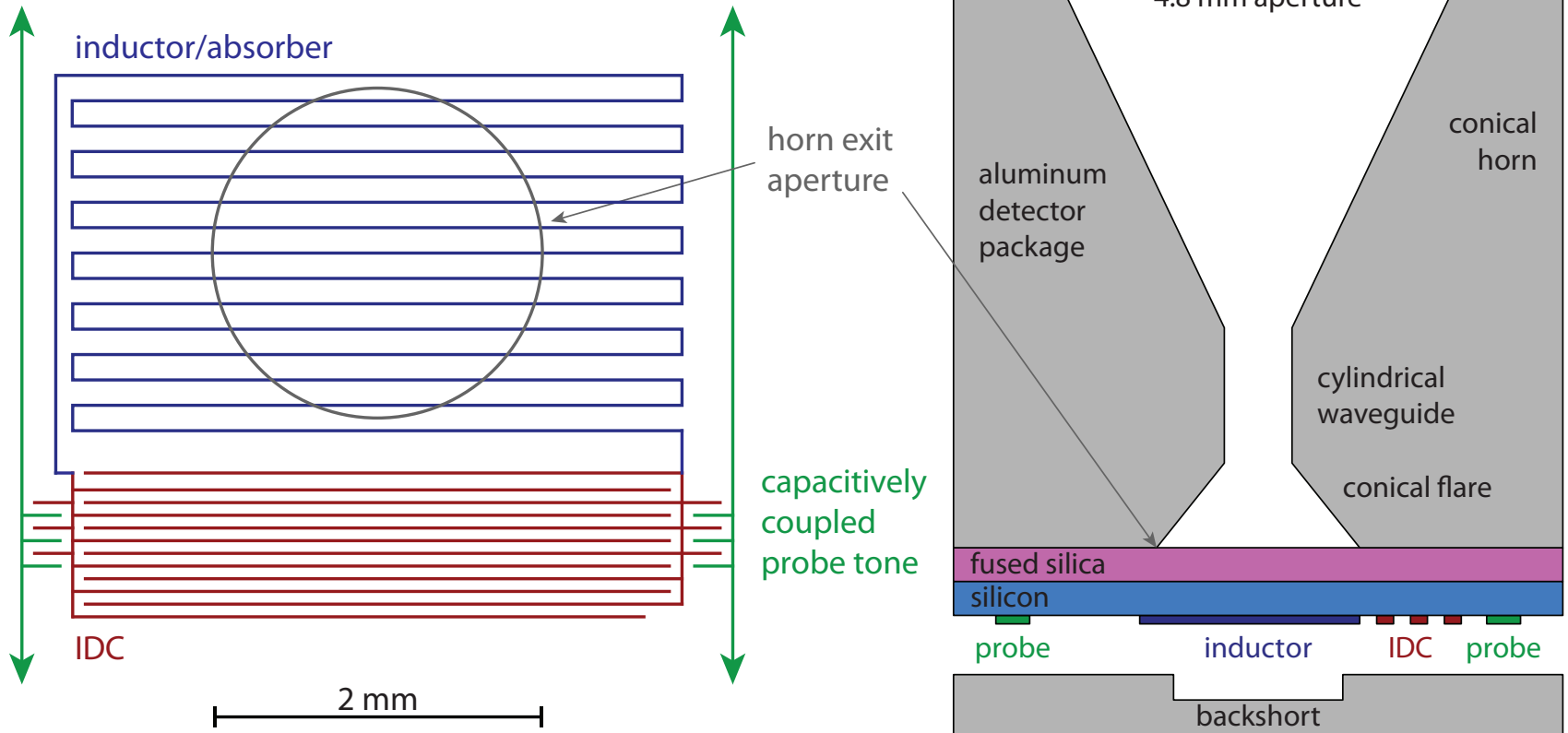
Result: *Measured* LEKID Noise



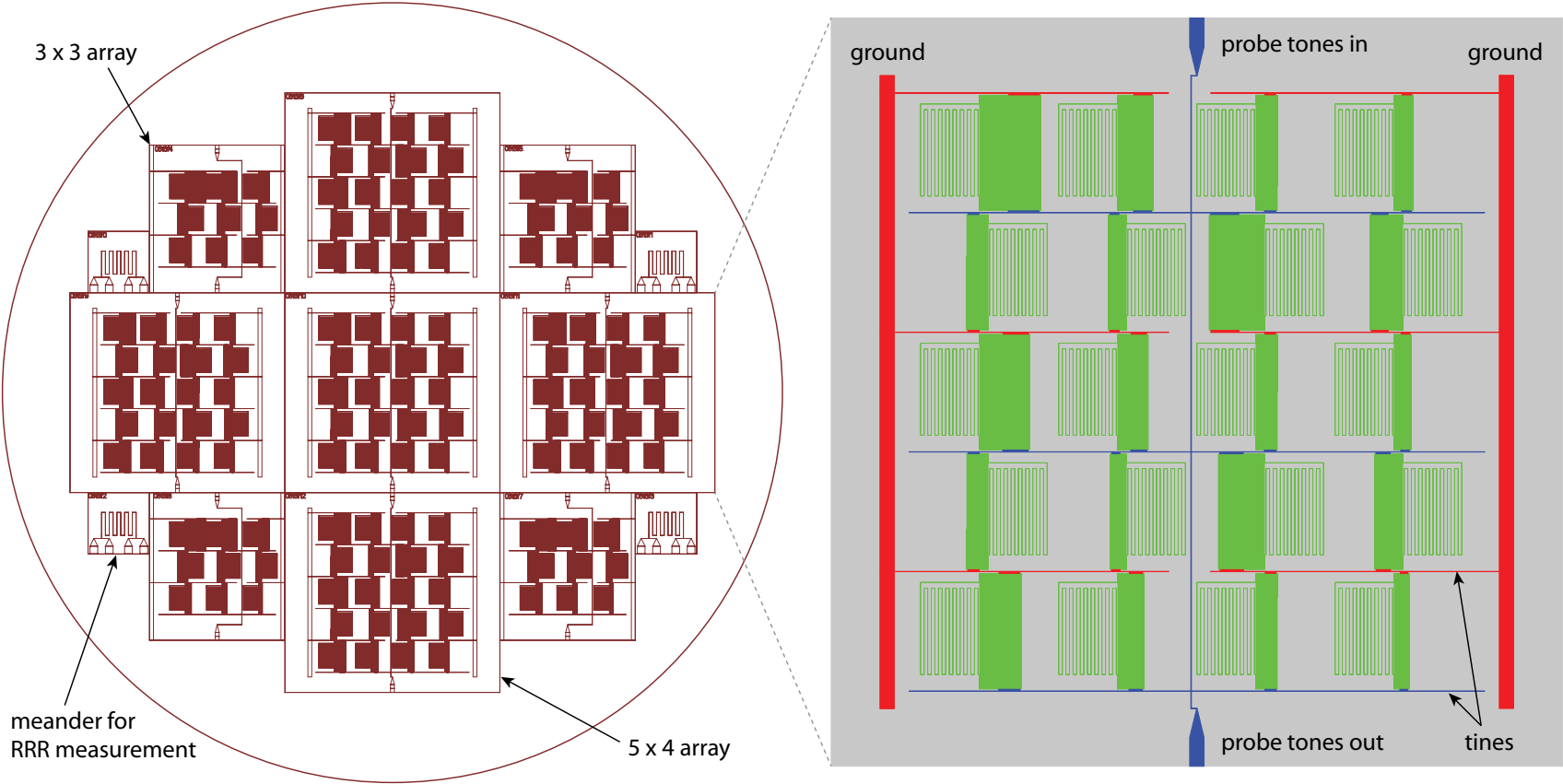
Circuit Schematic for One LEKID



Pixel Design

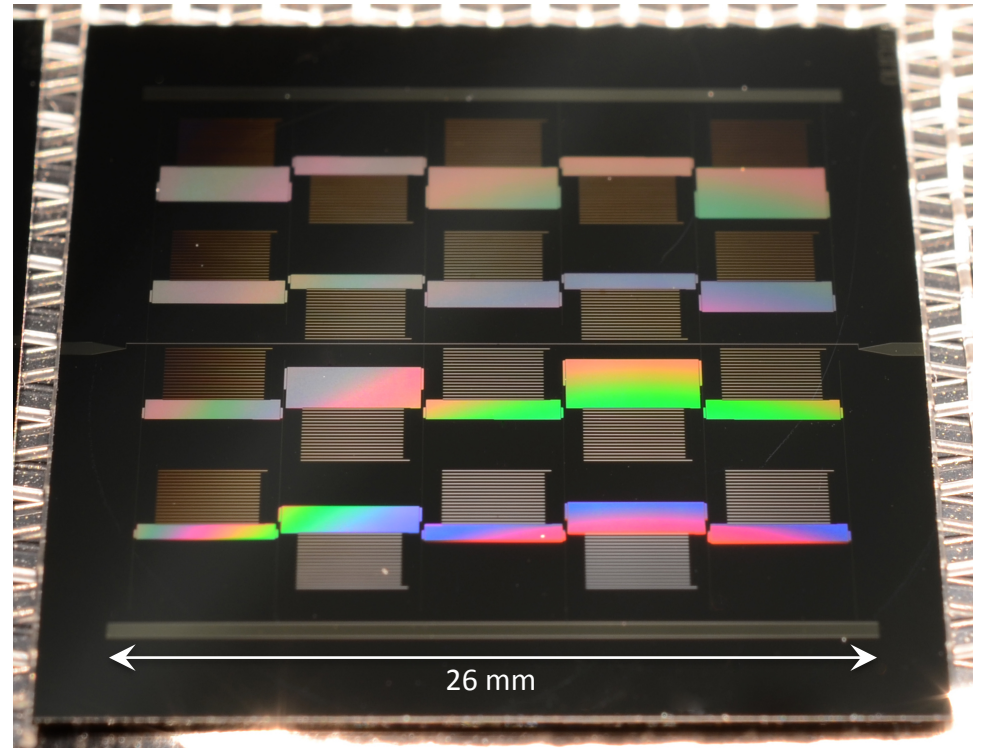


Prototype Array Design



Photograph of Prototype Array

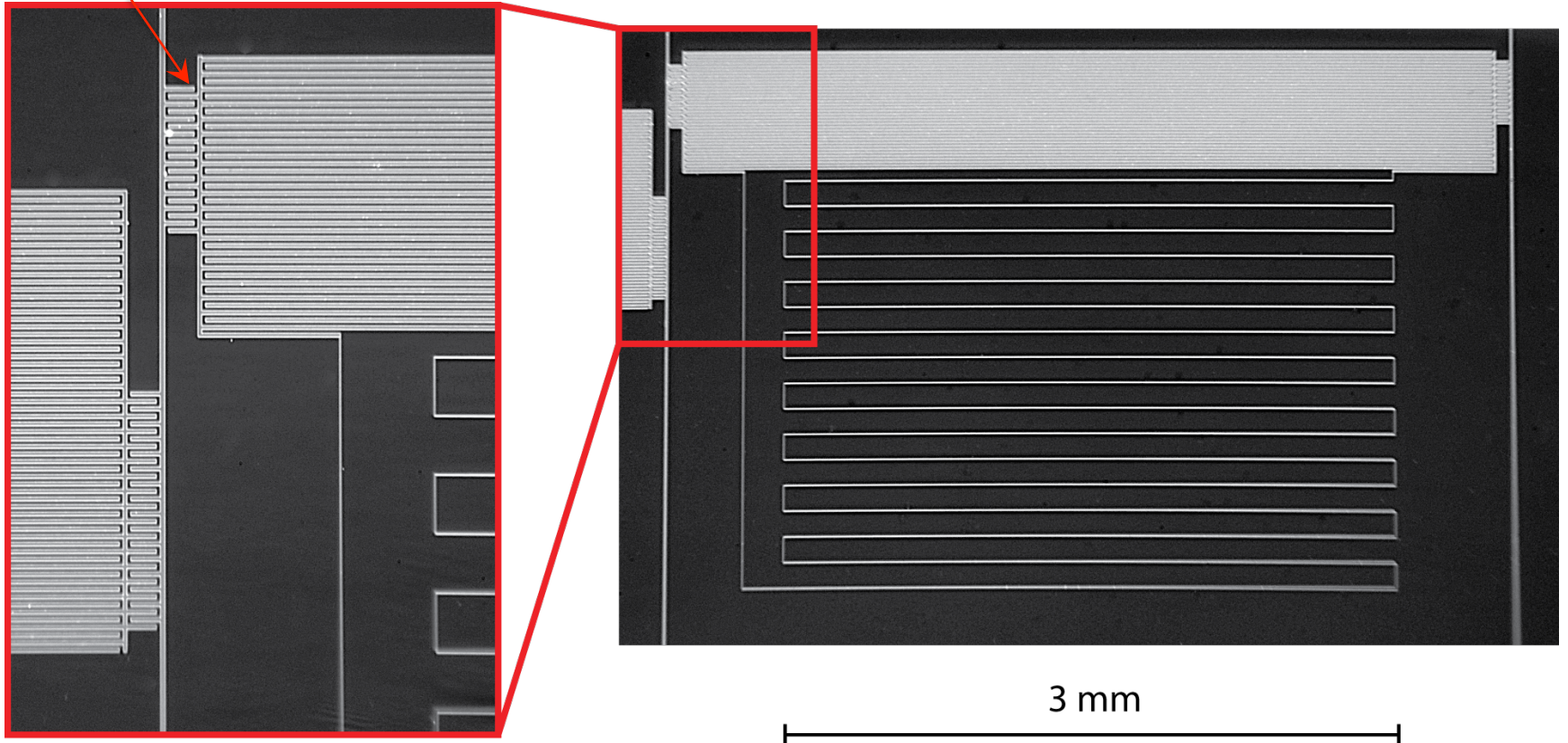
- Arrays fabricated on av100 mm **float zone silicon** wafer 300 microns thick.
- Devices processed from one **aluminum film 20 nm thick**.
- **Contact lithography** used -- one mask required.
- **Commercially fabricated** at STAR Cryoelectronics (~\$2k per wafer)
- Processing took ~1 week.
- Plan was to fabricate and test 1 wafer per month for two years.
- Paper describes results from first wafer.



yield > 90%

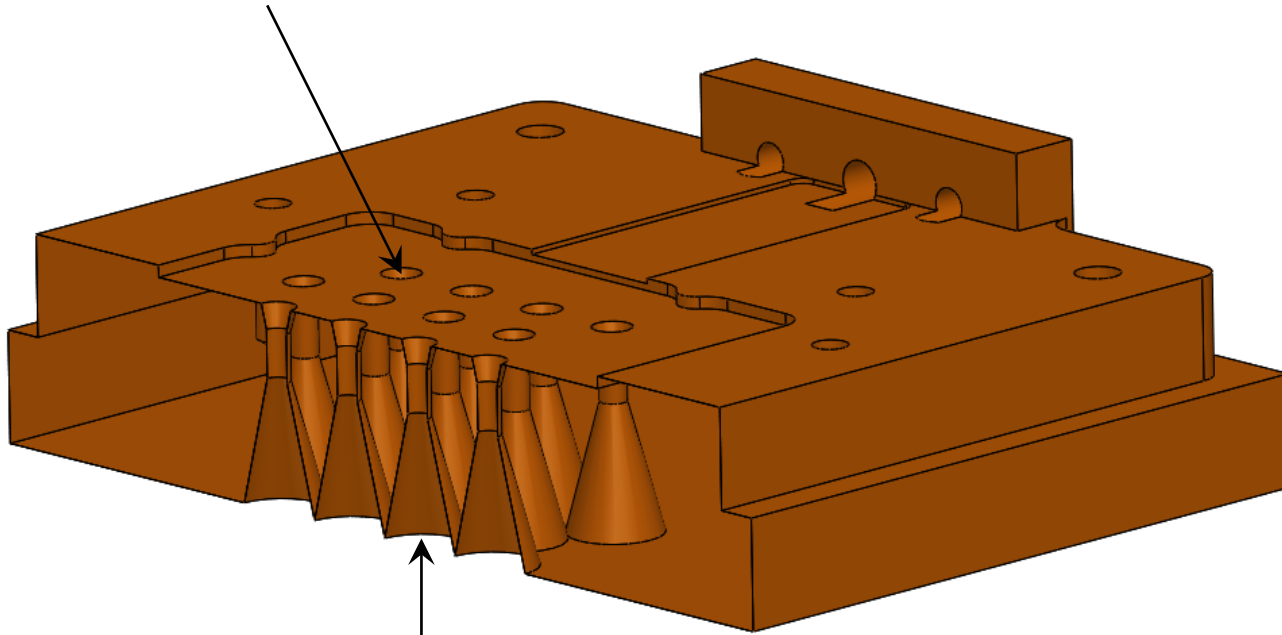
Photograph of Single LEKID

coupling capacitor



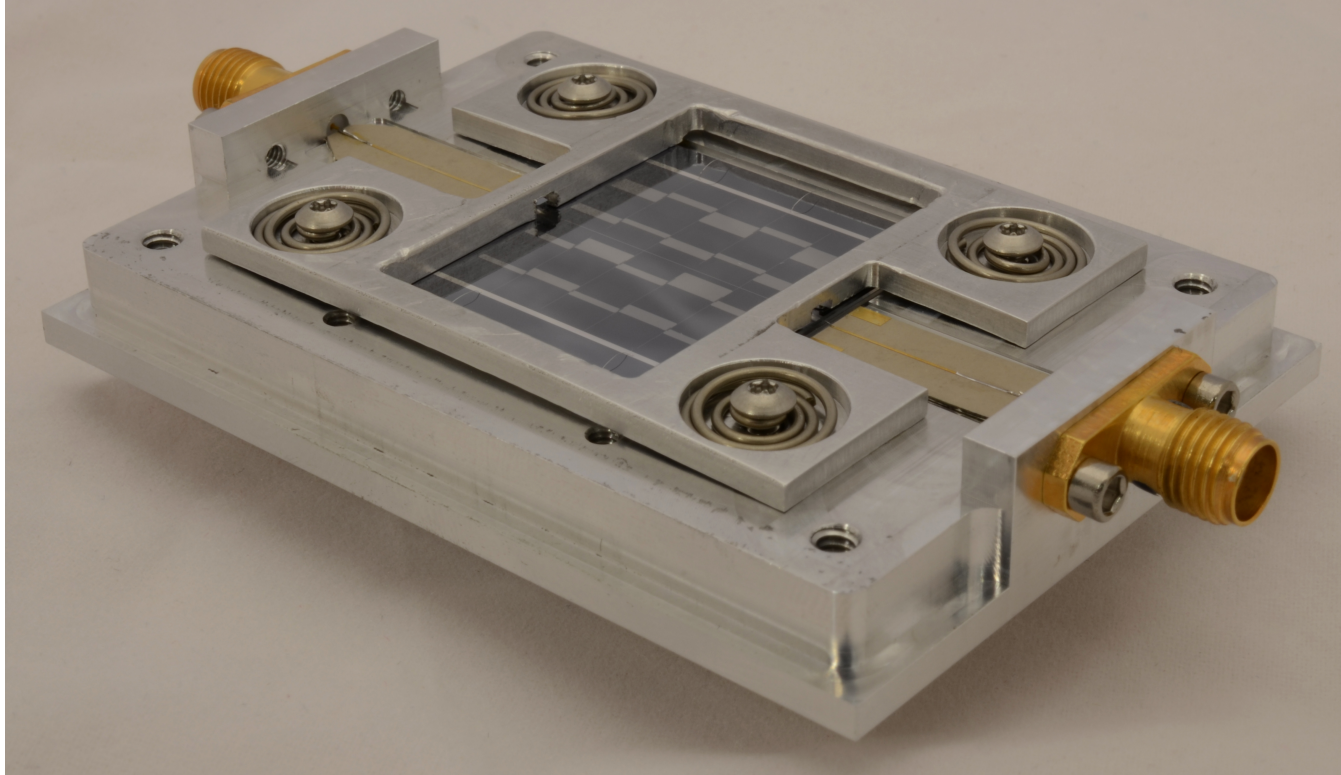
Cross Section of Detector Package

LEKIDs mounted at exit aperture

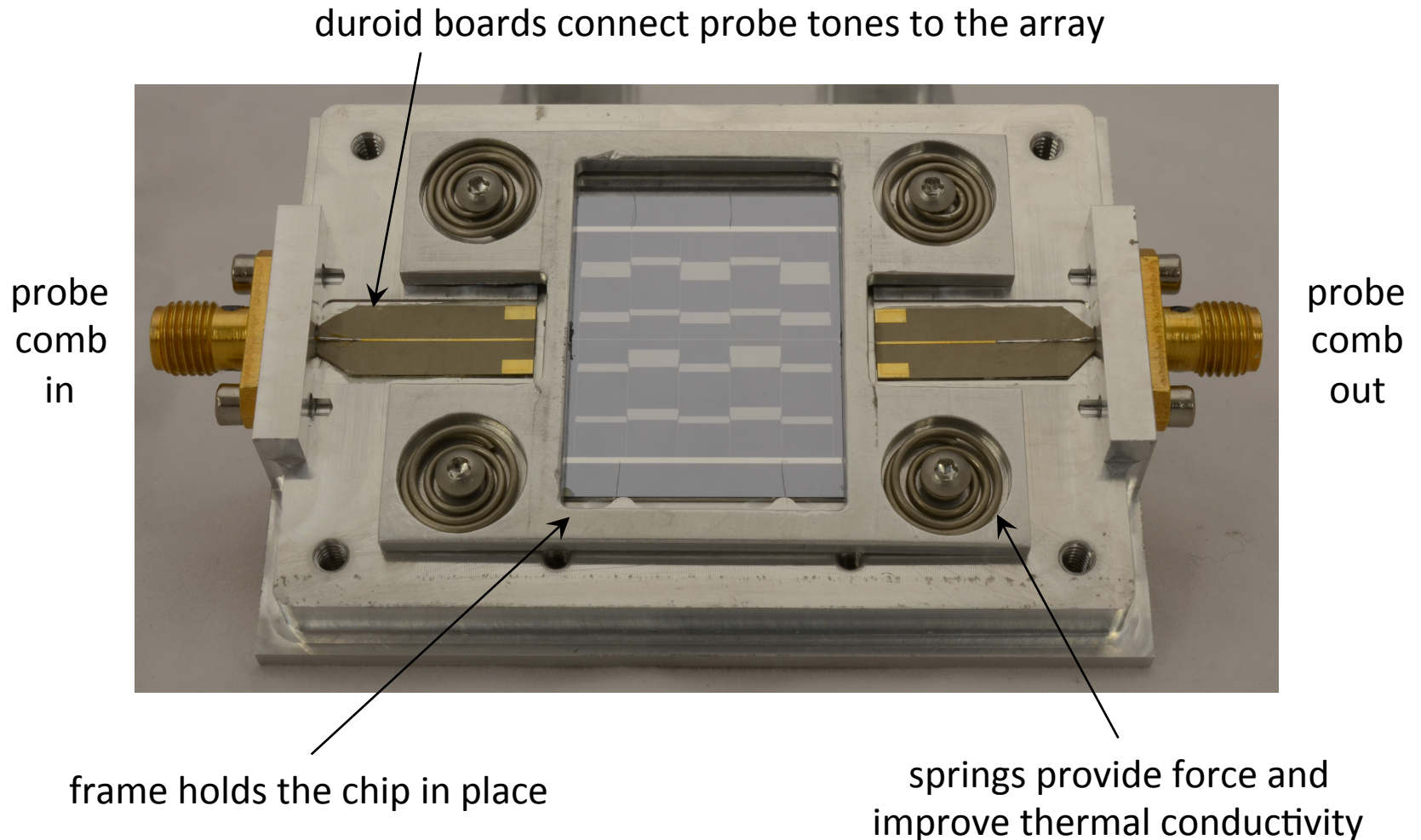


millimeter-wave light enters the horn

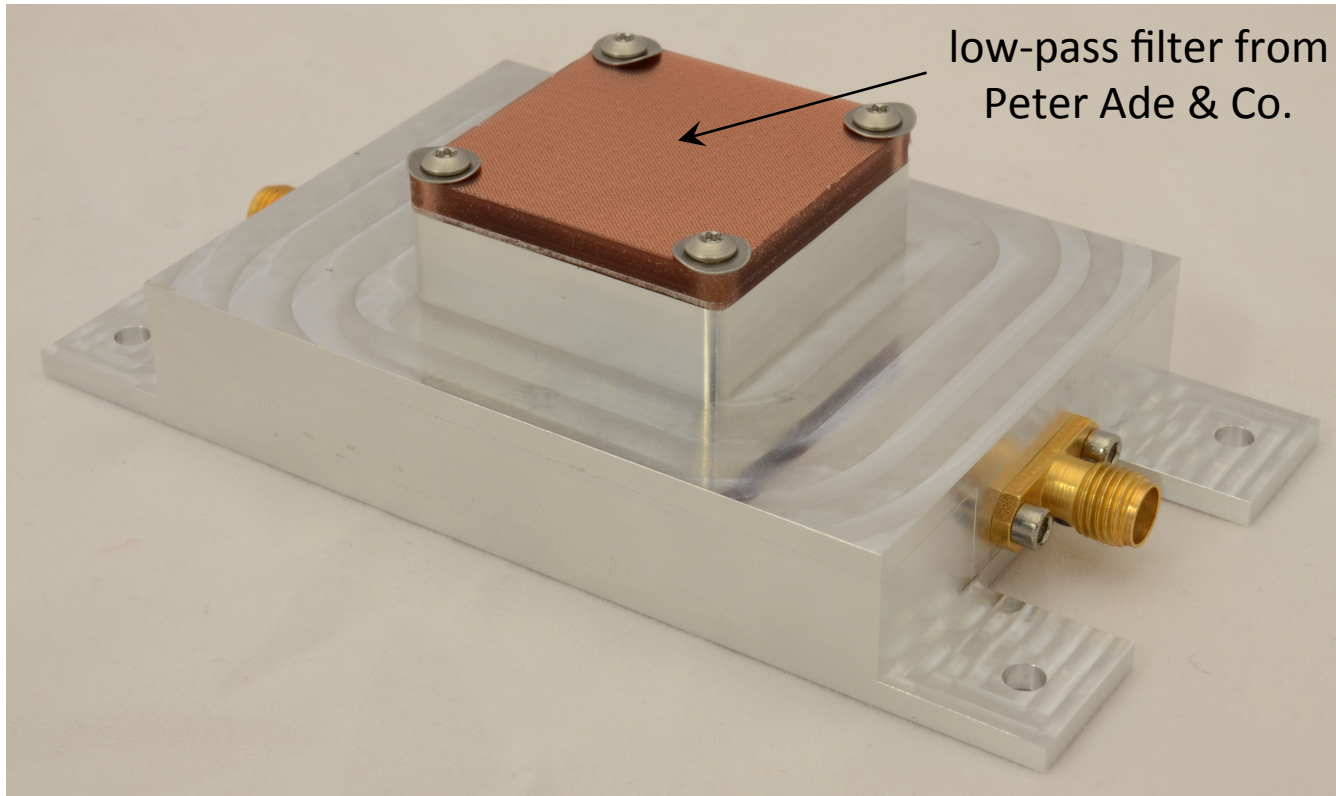
Prototype Array in Detector Package



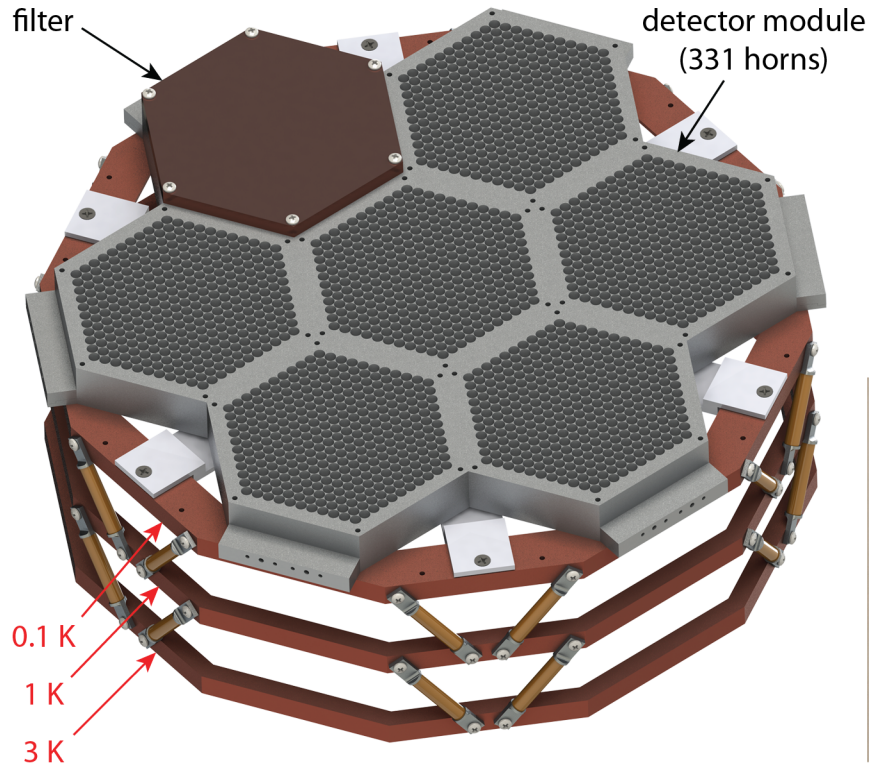
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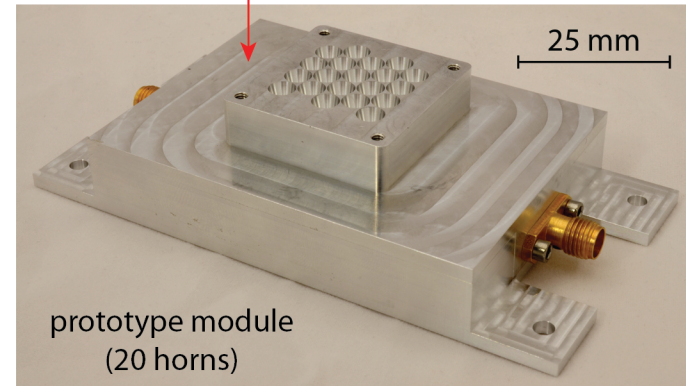
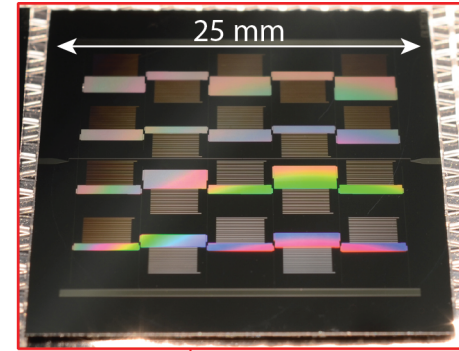
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Detector Array Development Plan



2317 horns/single-pol detectors
4634 dual-pol detectors

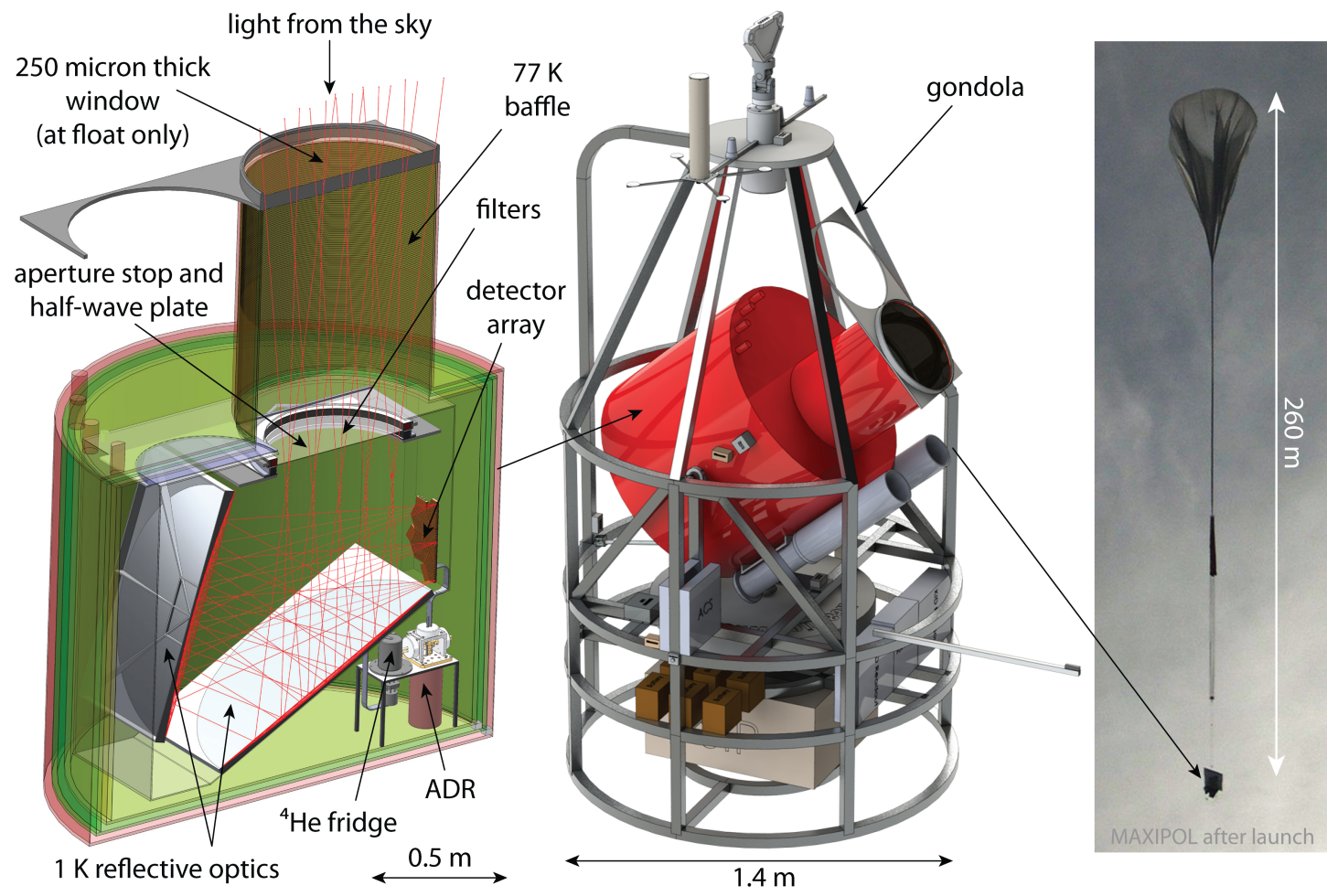


start with scalable, 20-element
prototype module

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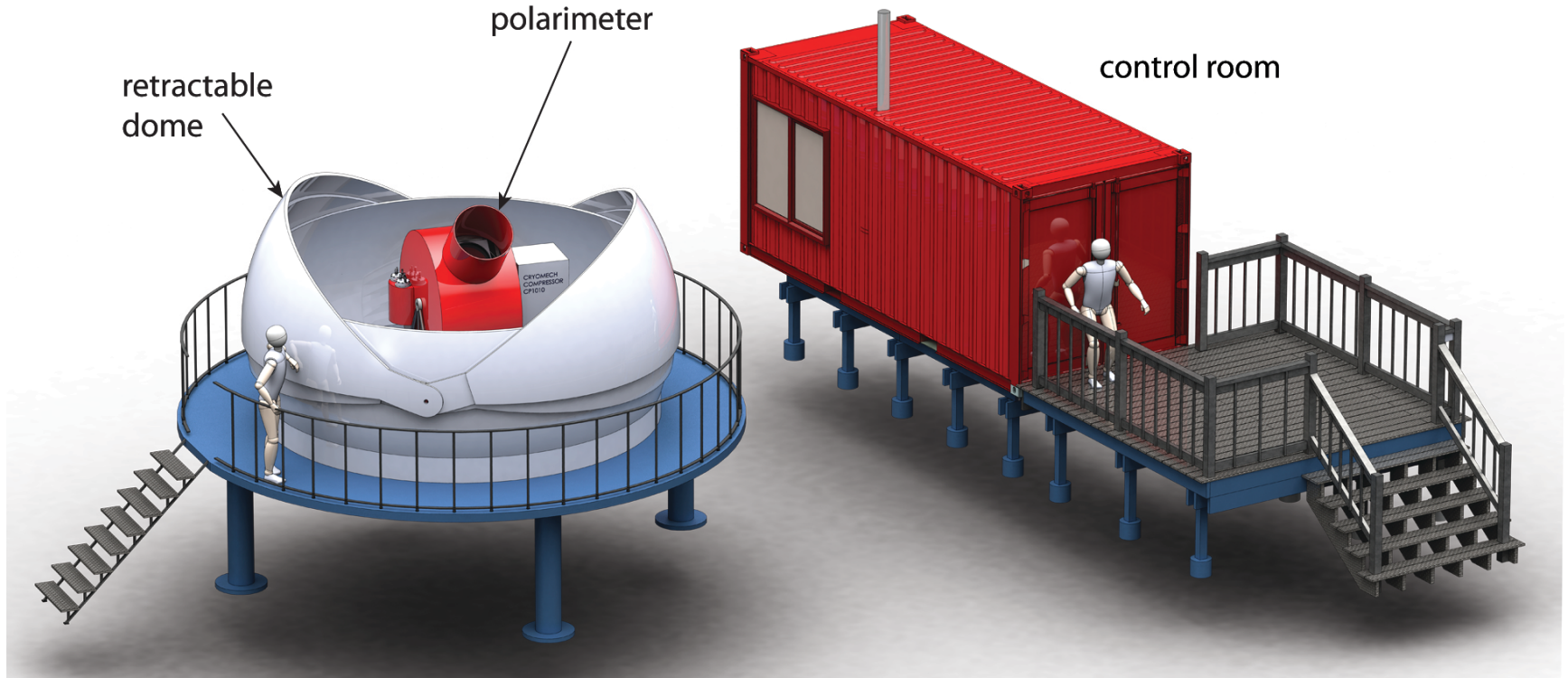
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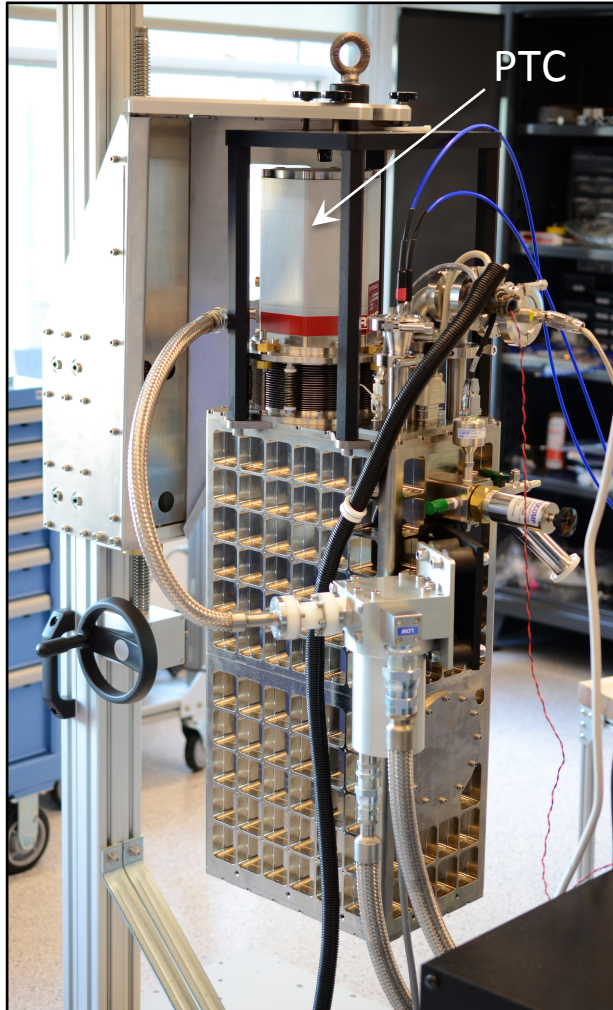
The Greenland LEKID Polarimeter



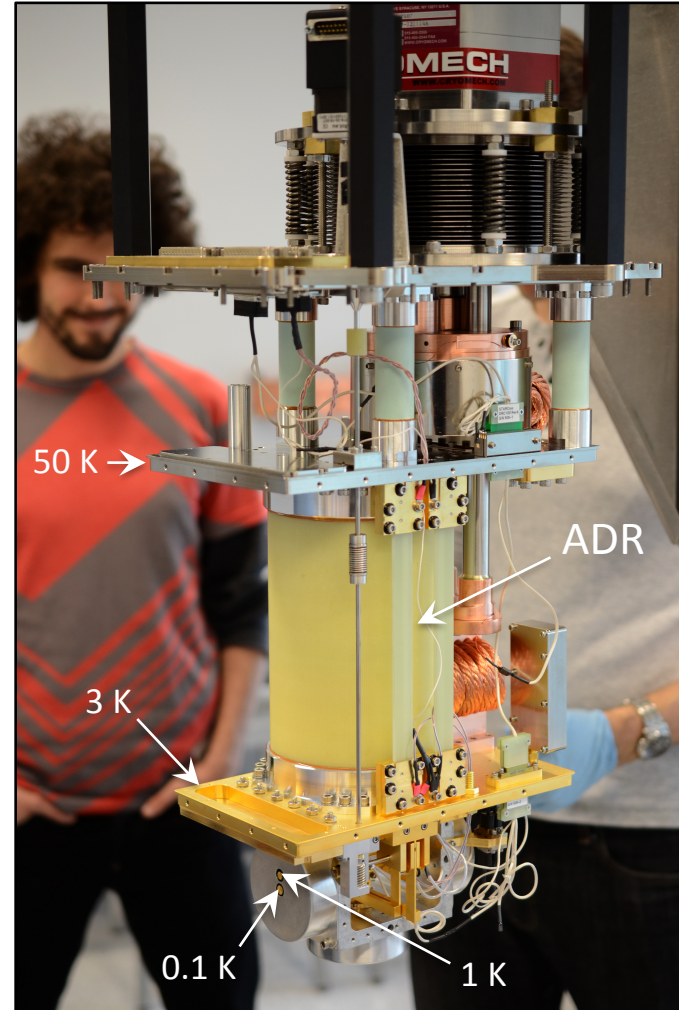
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STAR Cryo DRC-102 ADR Cryostat

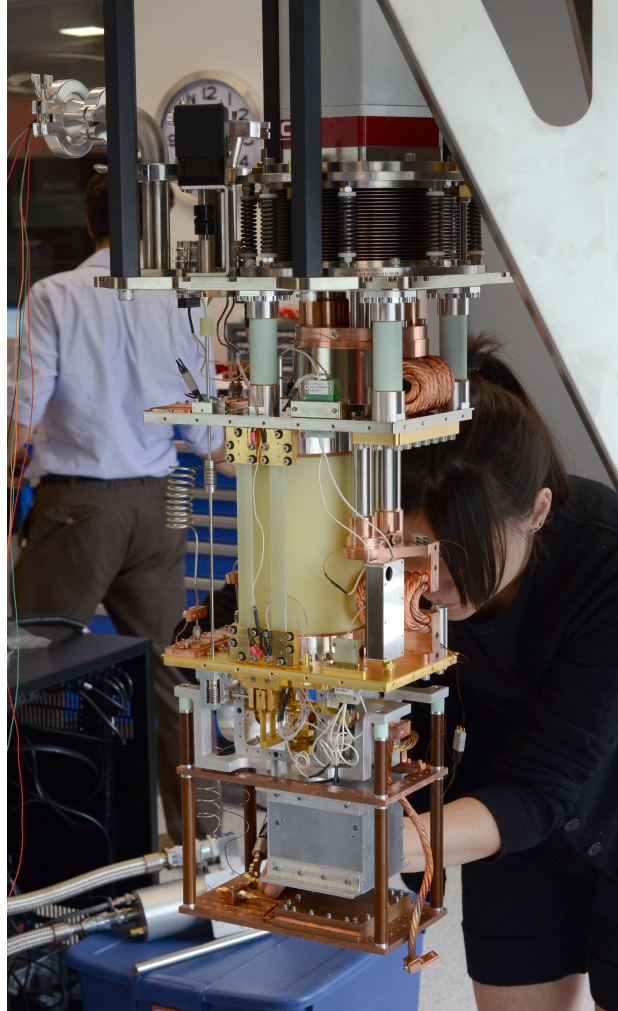
fully assembled



vacuum jacket, radiation shields off

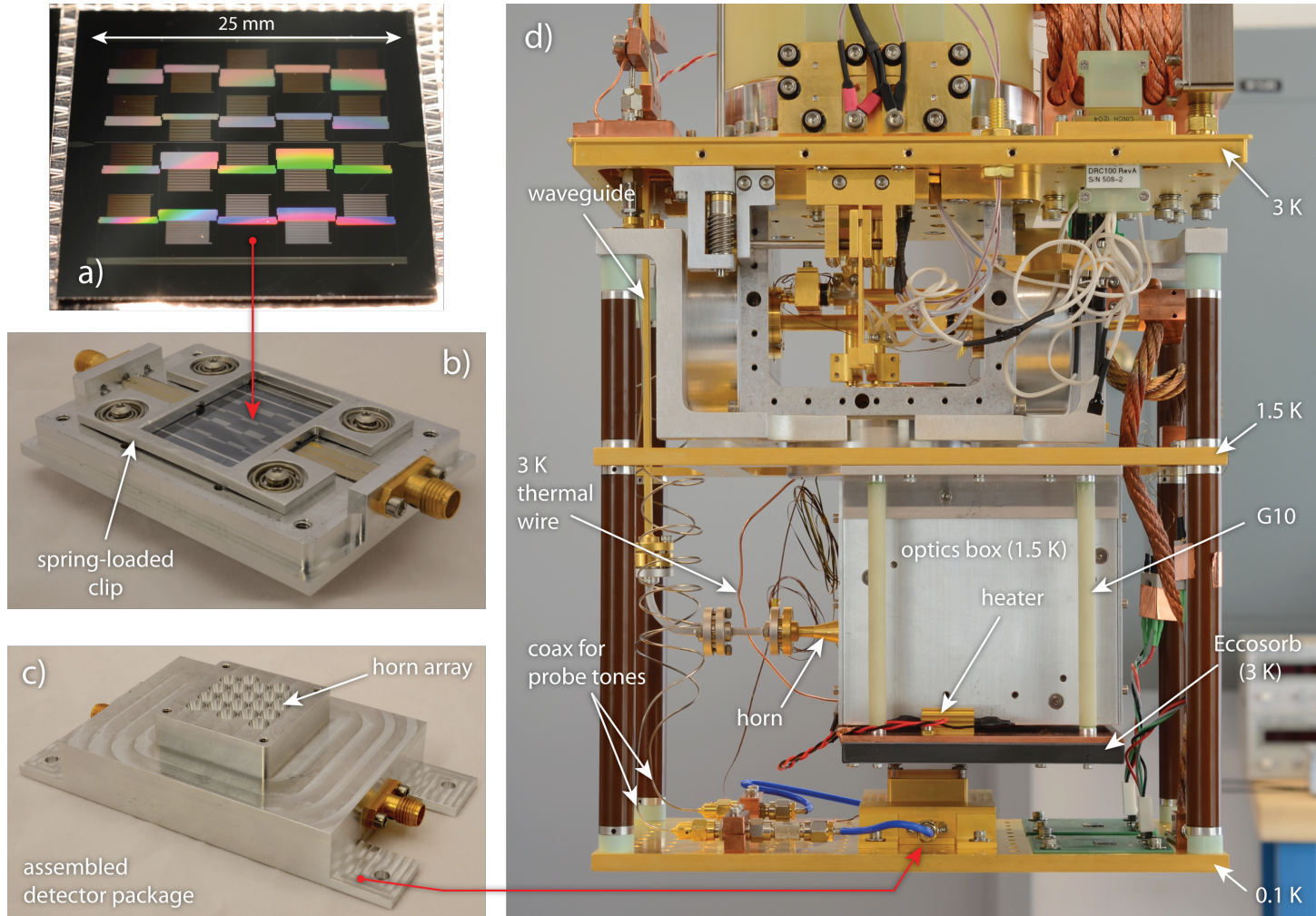


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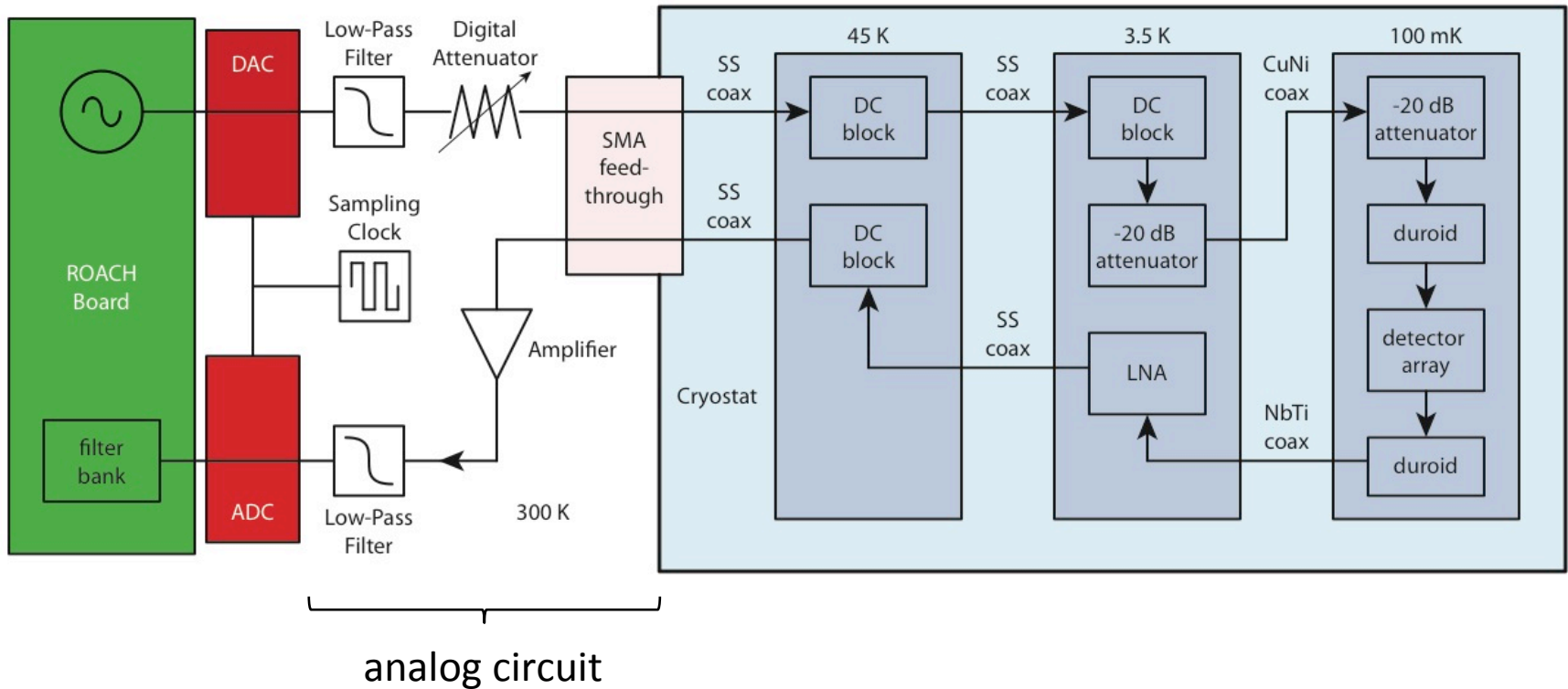


Star Cryo DRC-102 ADR Cryostat System

Optical Test Setup

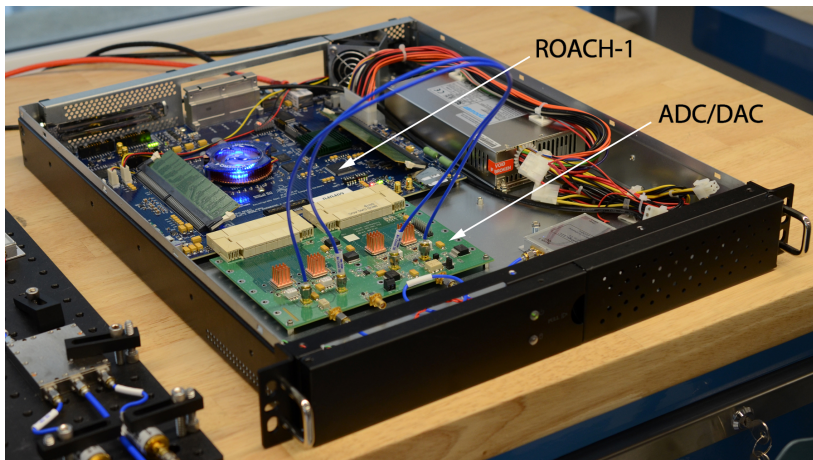


LEKID Readout

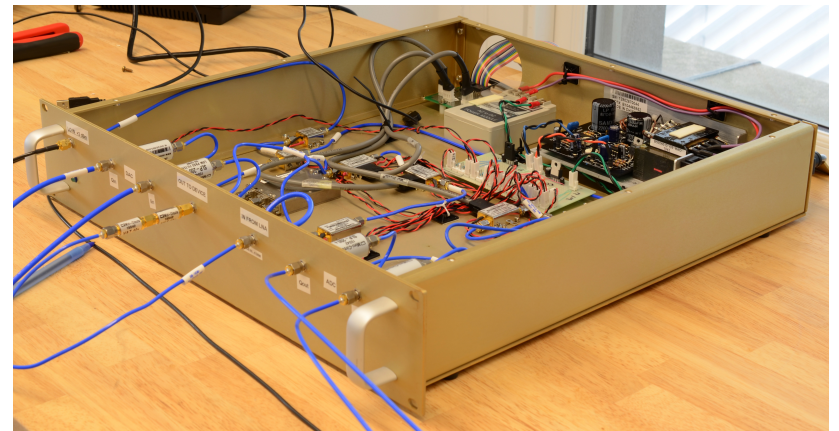


ROACH-Based Readout

ROACH-I and ADC/DAC



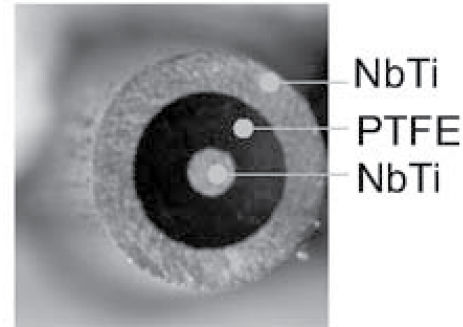
analog circuit



ROACH available from Digicomm
FPGA donated by Xilinx

components from Mini Circuits

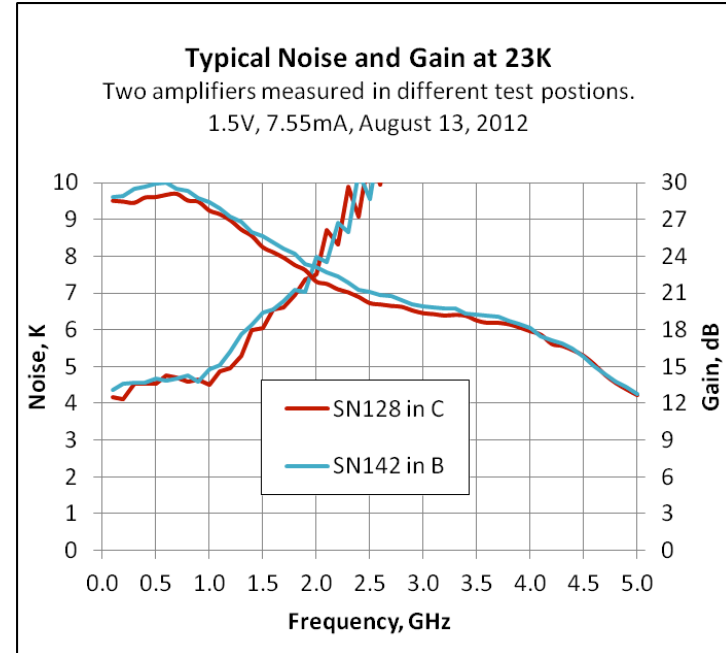
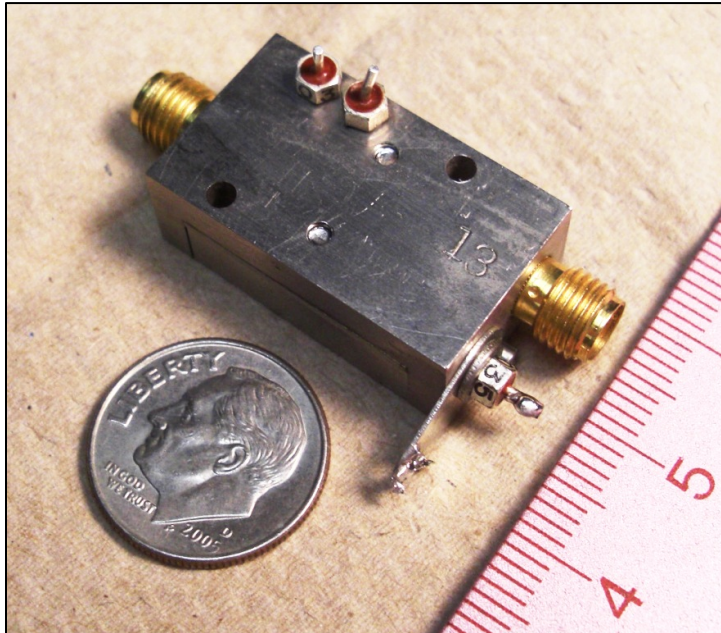
Niobium-Titanium Coax



Outer conductor	Material	NbTi
	Diameter	1.60 ± 0.05 mm
Dielectric	Material	PTFE
	Diameter	1.05 ± 0.05 mm
Inner conductor	Material	NbTi
	Diameter	0.31 ± 0.025 mm
Characteristic impedance		$50 \pm 2.5 \Omega$
Minimum bending radius		10 mm
Average weight		9.1 g/m

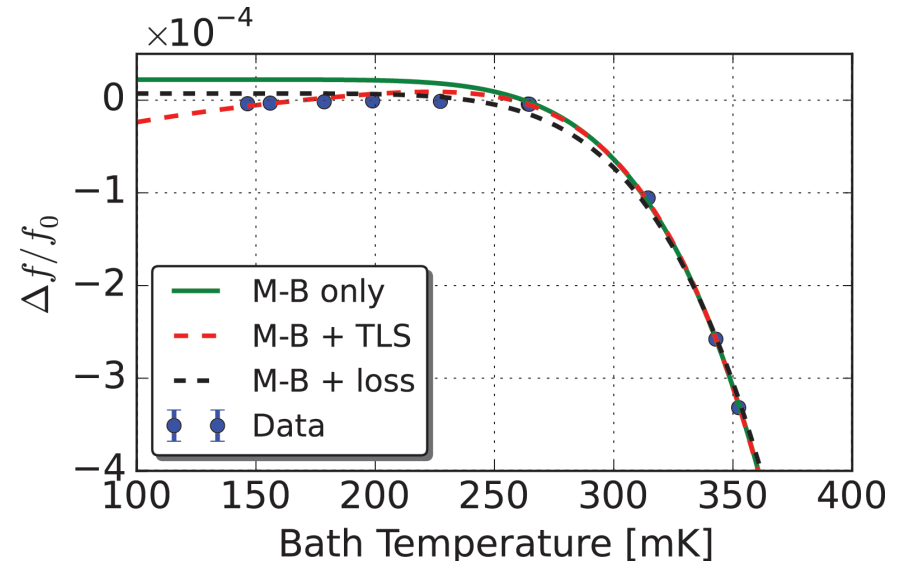
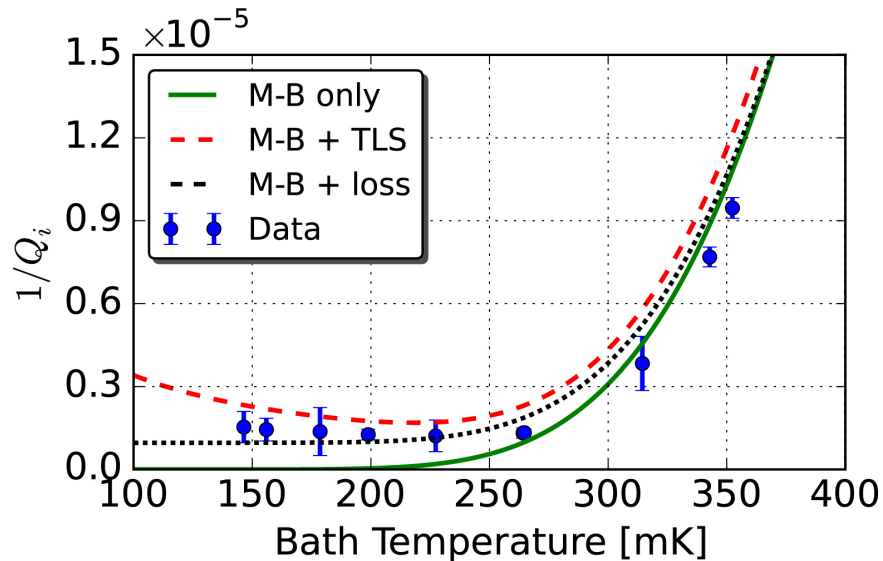
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Cryogenic SiGe Low-Noise Amplifier



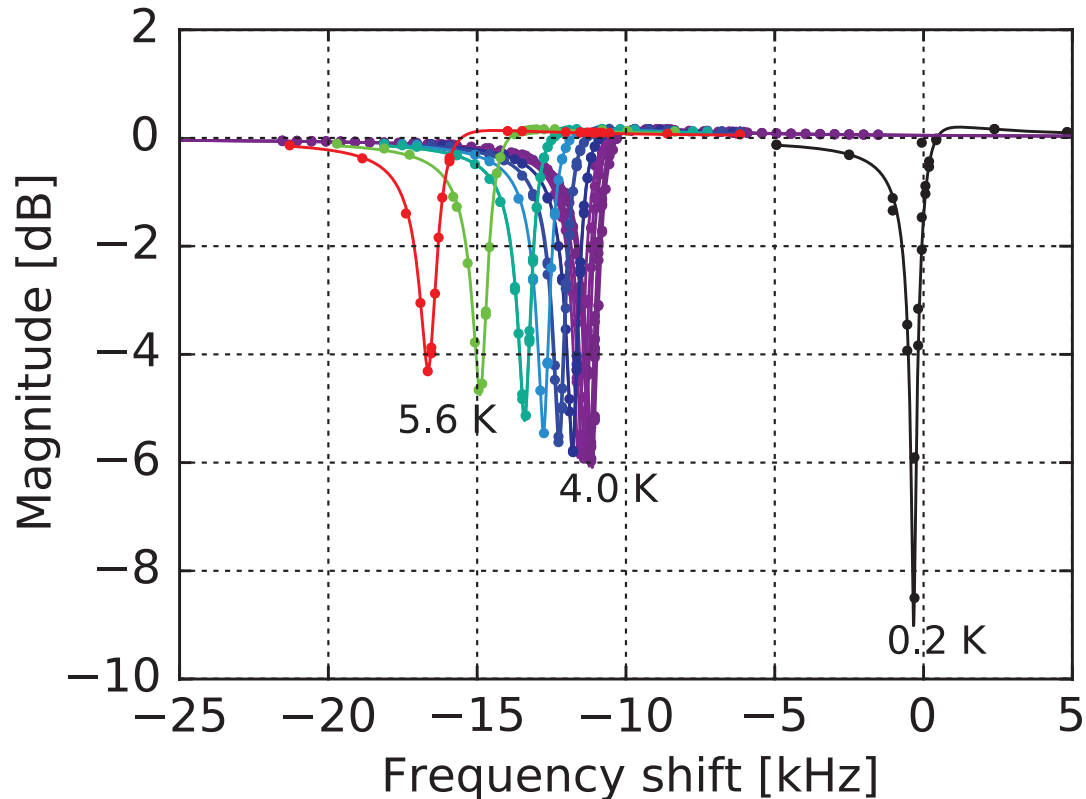
Parameter	@1.5V, 7.5mA Bias	@2.5V, 22mA Bias
Noise Temperature	< 5K	< 4K
Gain = $-20 \log S_{21} $	29 +/- 1.5 dB	34 +/- 2 dB
IRL = $-20 \log S_{11} $	> 10	> 10
ORL = $-20 \log S_{22} $	> 15	> 13
Gain Compression, Output P1dB	-14 dBm	-4 dBm

Do the resonators perform as expected?



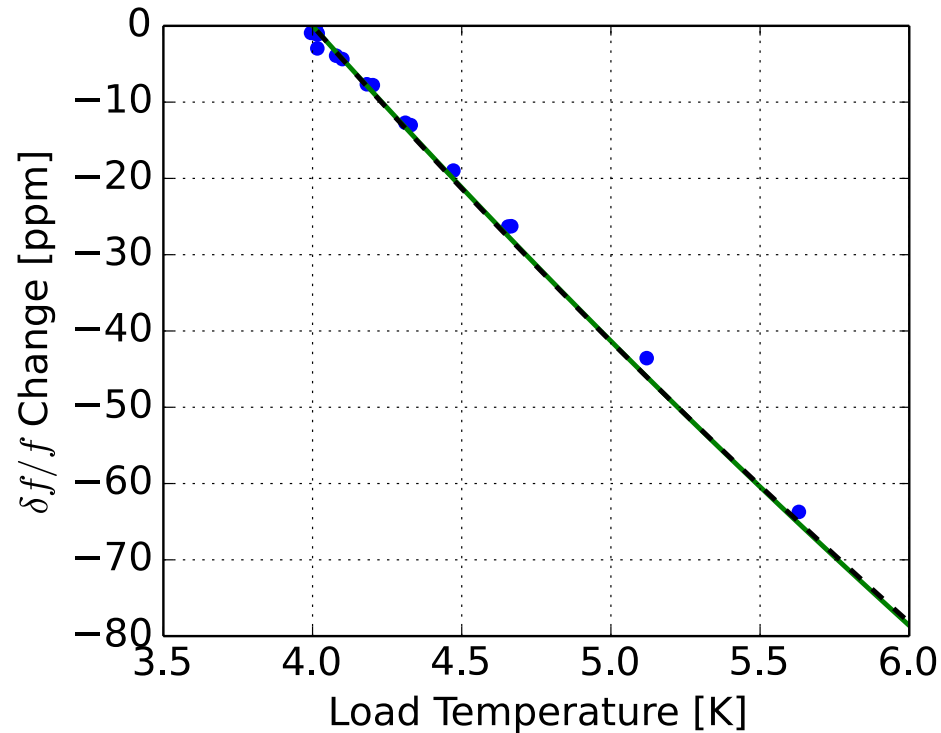
Bath temperature sweeps for a single resonator. The resonant frequency at 200 mK is 86.31195 MHz, and the probe power used was -111 dBm. The plot in panel (a) shows the inverse internal quality factor, and the plot in panel (b) shows measurements of the fractional frequency change. Joint fits to the data for three models are plotted: Mattis-Bardeen theory alone (solid green), M-B with temperature-dependent TLS loss (dashed red), and M-B with a fixed loss term (dotted black).

Measured Resonances



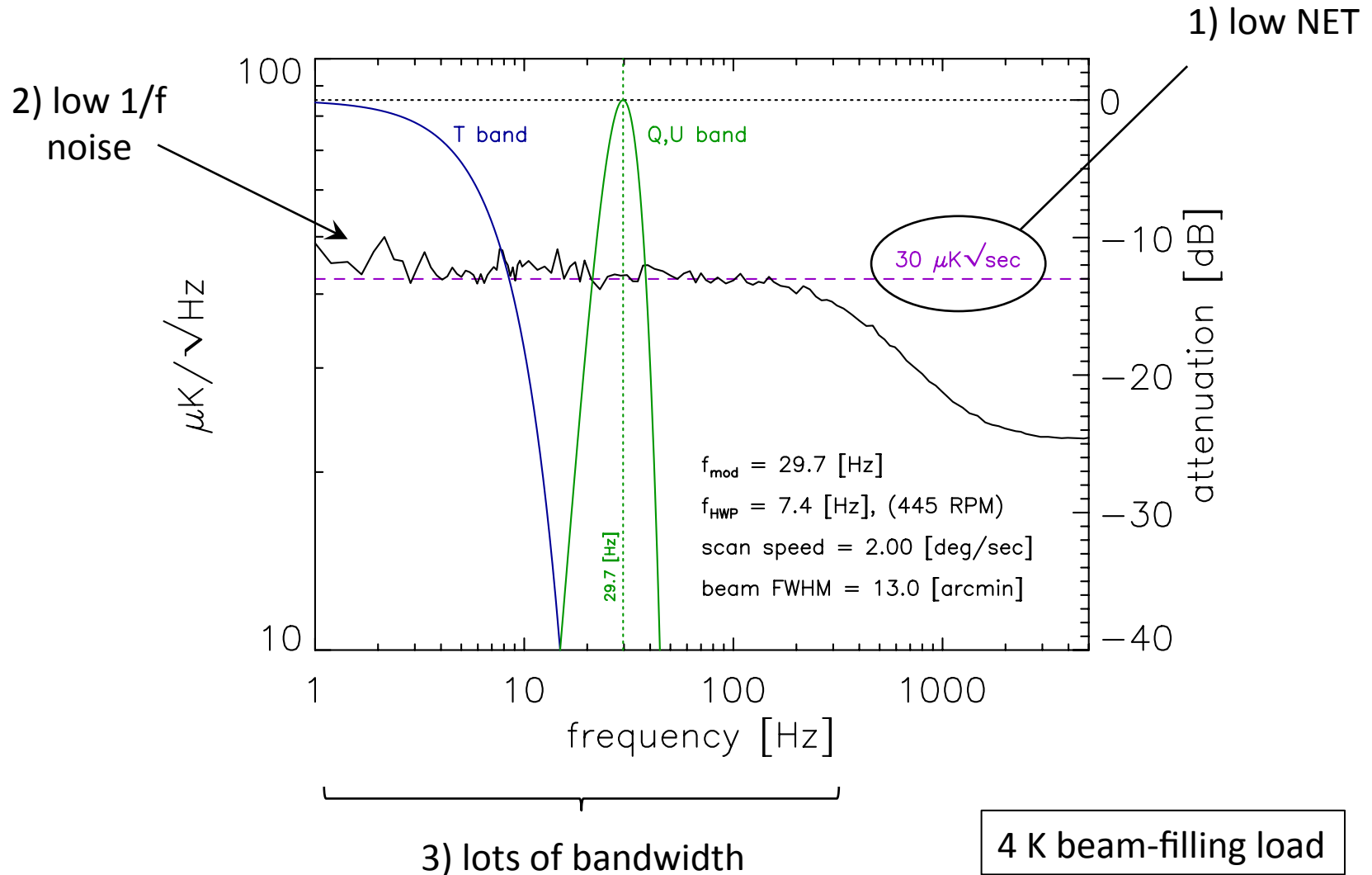
Resonance sweeps of a single resonator with changing optical load. The dots are measured points and the lines are fits. The resonant frequency at 200 mK is 86.31195 MHz. For these measurements the bath temperature was 200 mK. The measurement labeled 0.2 K was taken a the dark configuration.

Measured LEKID Responsivity

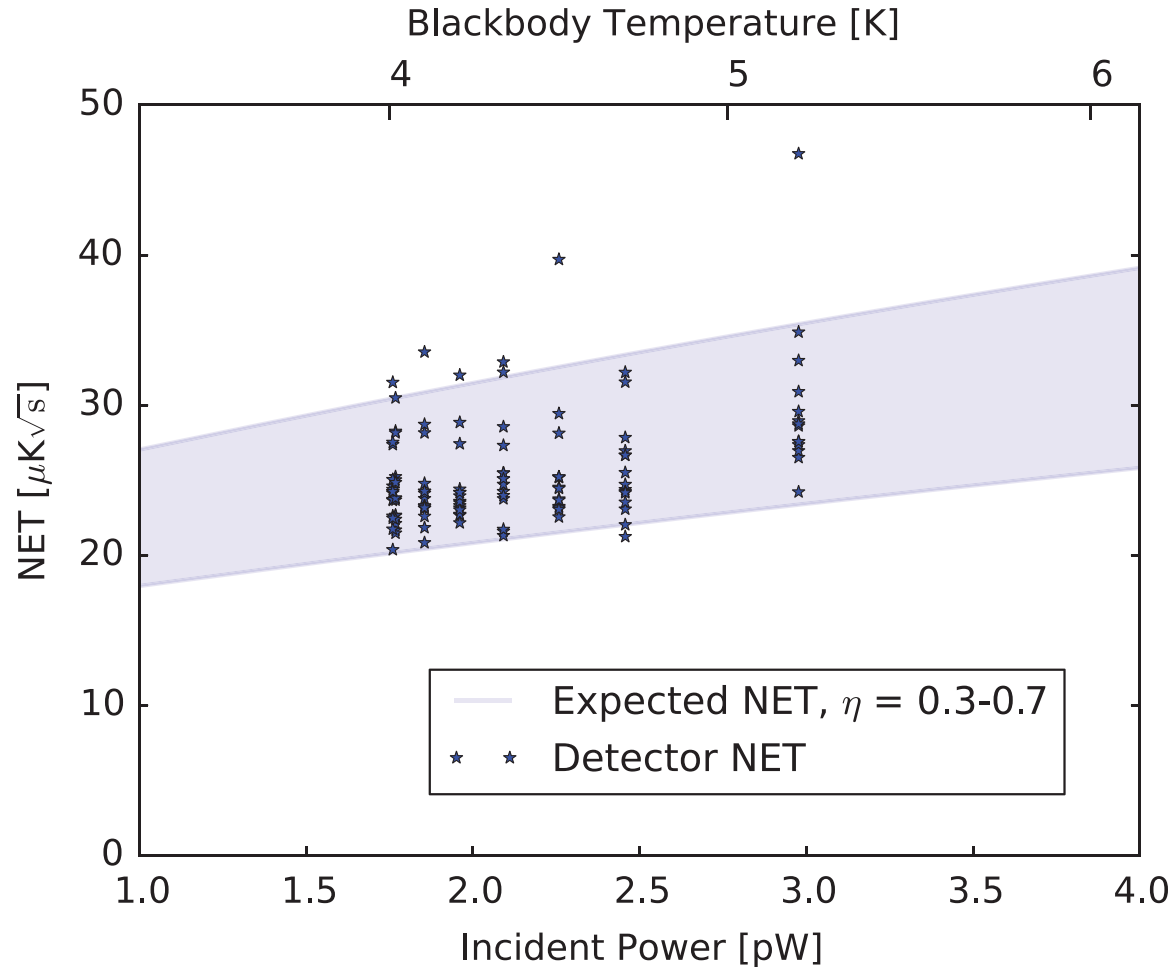


The measured frequency response has a slope of approximately **40 ppm/K**. This fractional responsivity is seen consistently across all resonators. The solid green line shows the expected response.

Result: *Measured* LEKID Noise



Measured Detector Noise



Future Work

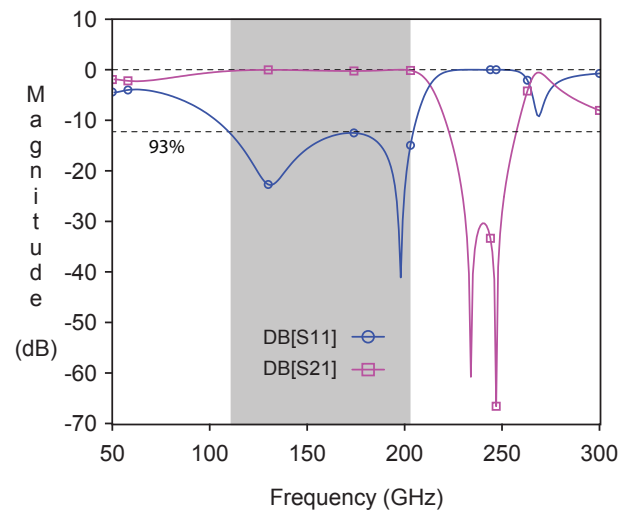
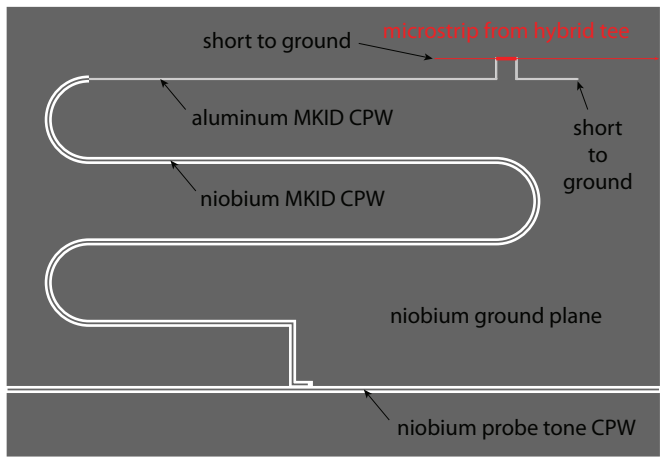
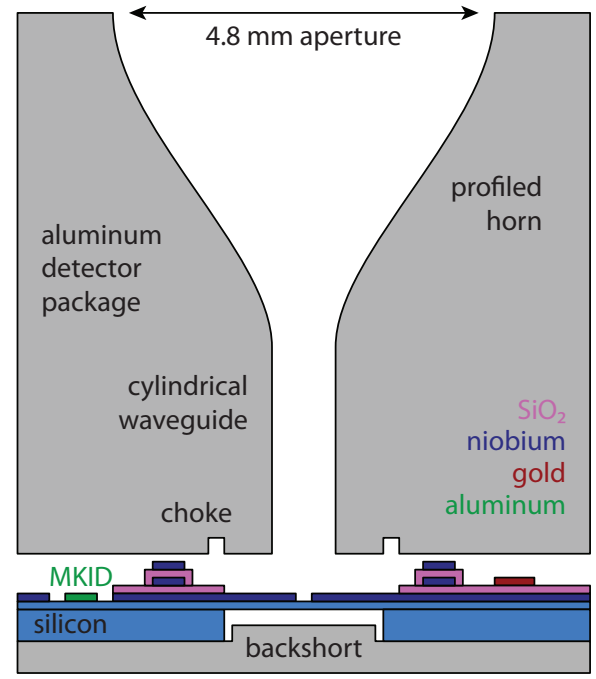
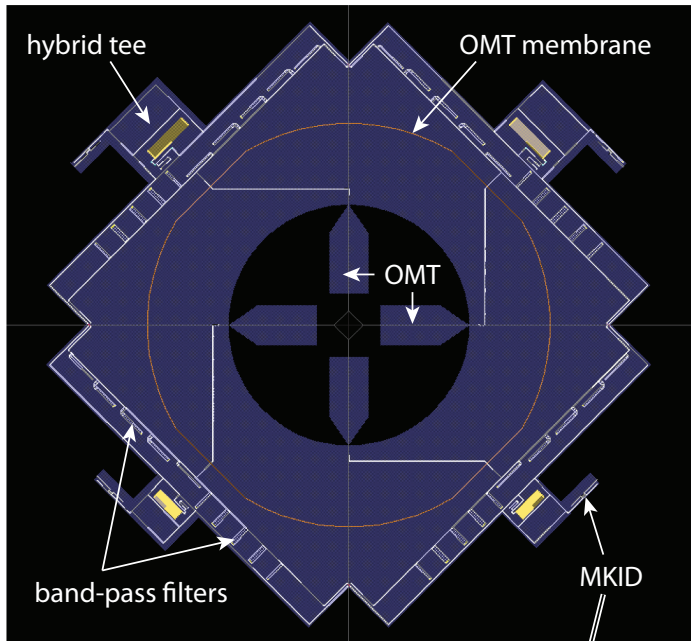
Design of Dual-Polarization Horn-Coupled Kinetic Inductance Detectors for Cosmic Microwave Background Polarimetry

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WSPEC: A Waveguide Filter Bank Spectrometer

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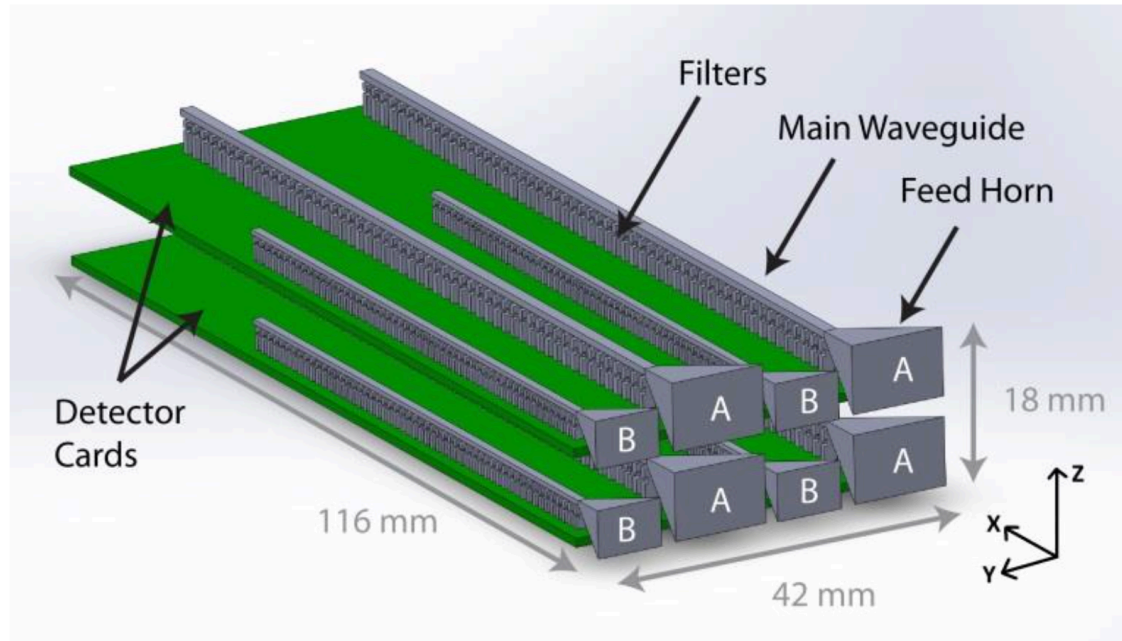


Fig. 4 Solidworks drawing of our horn-coupled 4-pixel focal plane array of filter banks.

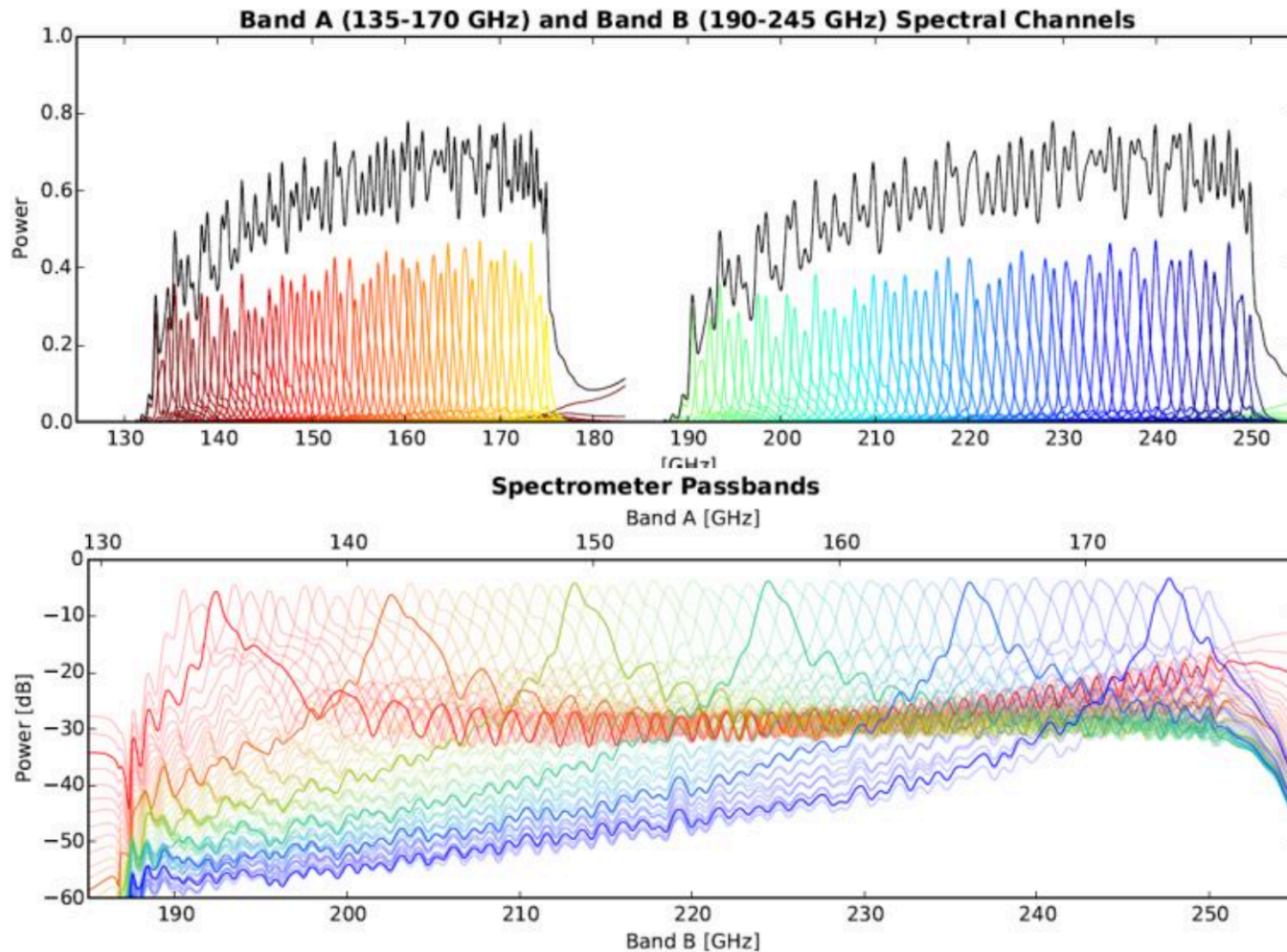
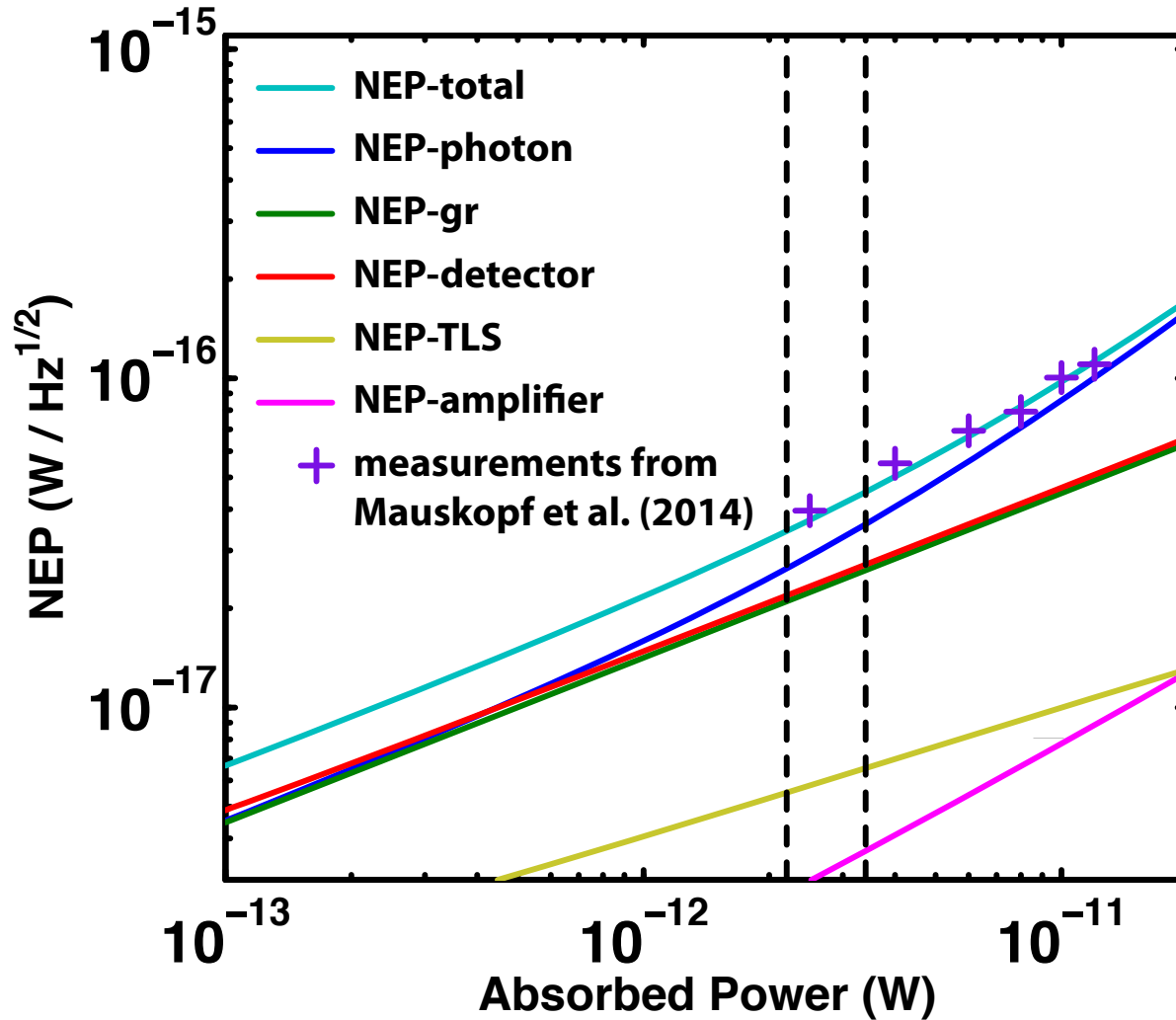


Fig. 5 HFSS-simulated passbands in linear units (top) and dB (bottom) for band A, which covers 135-170 GHz, and band B, which covers 190-245 GHz. The black curve in the top panel represents the sum total of all the passbands.

MKID Noise Sources



Future Testing

