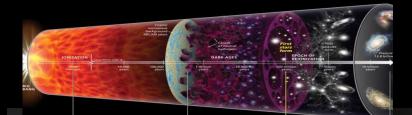
FARSIDE Polarization configuration

Nivedita Mahesh, Judd. D. Bowman, Bharat Gehlot

School of Earth and Space Exploration, Arizona State University. FINESST Award: ASTRO19-0089







21 cm fluctuations of Dark Ages

10

Radio auroral emission from exoplanets

FARSIDE

Farside Array for Radio Science Investigations of the Dark ages and Exoplanets

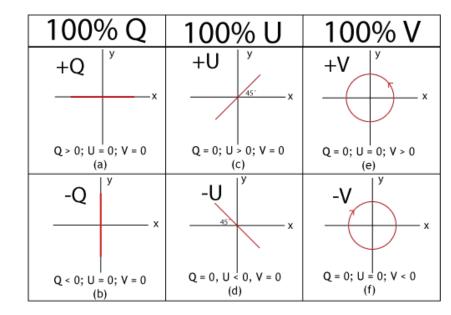


Jet Propulsion Laboratory California Institute of Technology

Illustration: P. McGarey IPI

Significance & Need

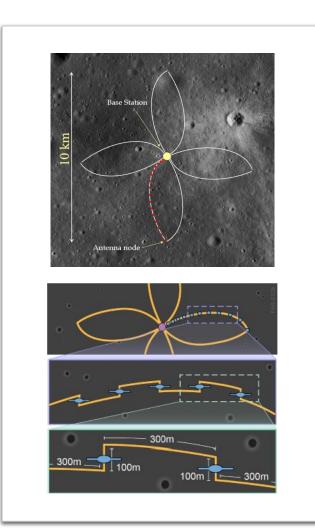
- Polarization:
 - Any EM wave is associated with a polarization information.
 - How the Electric field is orientated.
- Stokes parameters:
 - Quantifies polarization of a signal
 - I Unpolarized, Q & U- Linear, V Circular



- Why does FARSIDE care?
 - $\circ~$ Exoplanets \rightarrow Circular polarization to separate the host and planet signal
- Importance of this study
 - Instrument effects can cause intermixing of intrinsic source polarization.
 - Antenna offset adds more mixing (compared to co-located arrays)

We must model and understand these effects to maximize the performance of FARSIDE

FARSIDE Notional Layout

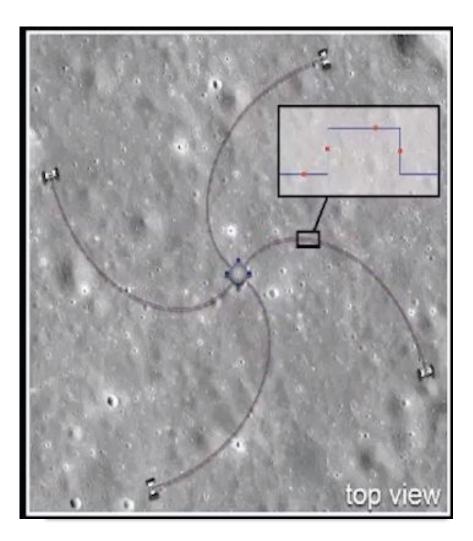


Parameter	Value
No. of Antennas	128
HB – Range	1–40 MHz
HB – Deployment	Stacers
LB – Range	100 kHz – 2 MHz
LB – Deployment	Embedded in tether

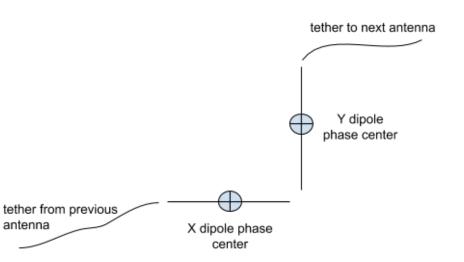
Disadvantages:

- □ Limited dual polarization measurements.
- □ Limited Circular polarization data.
- \Box Longer integration time (2x).

FARSIDE Improved Layout

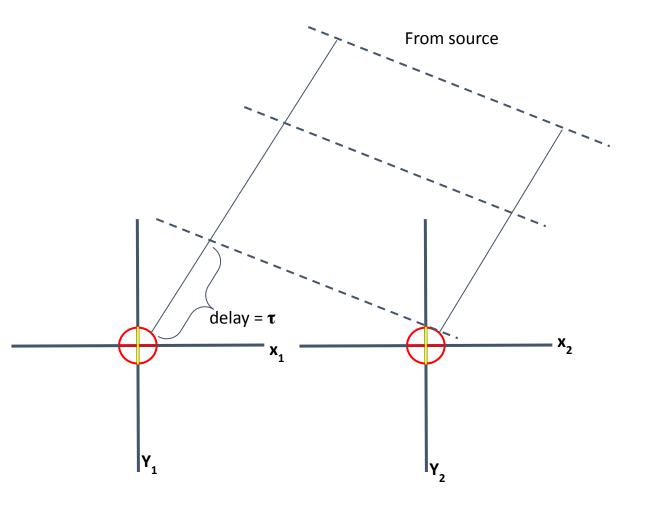


- Advantages:
 - For Deployment
 - Ease of deployment
 - Robust (fail safe)
 - Less load mass on each rover
 - No stacers required
 - \circ For science
 - Better calibration of antennas with dual polarization
 - Circular polarization for exoplanet science
 - Less integration time



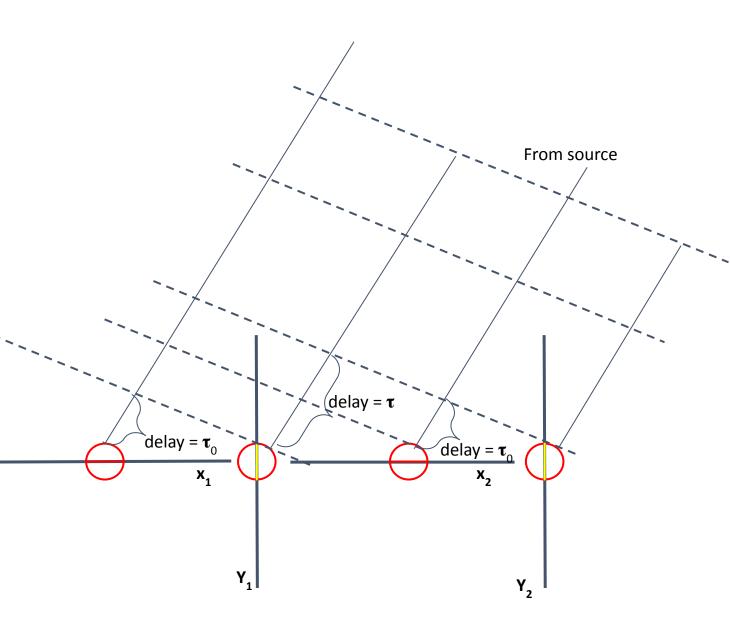
Response of a co-located array - Normal case

- Both polarizations have the same phase center, i.e,
 - The feed is at the same position in space
 - Examples: OVRO-LWA, MWA, HERA
- To create images of the sky signals from all the antenna pairs are combined
- Only one delay to combine them appropriately.



Response of a Non co-located array - FARSIDE case

- In a non co-located array: X and Y antennas are offset
 - Do not have the same phase center
 - Examples: 21CMA
- Extra delay (τ₀) between the X and Y combinations from each antenna pair.
- Additional corrections when combining data from different antennas

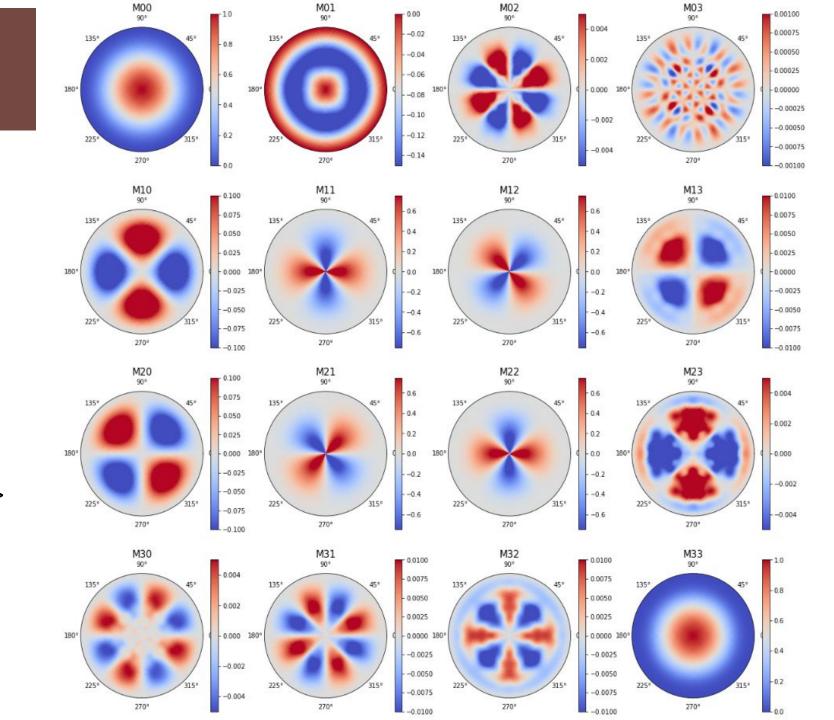


Stokes Leakage: Normal case

• <u>Input</u>: EDGES beam placed orthogonally

 $J_{beam} = \begin{bmatrix} E_{\theta}^{x} & E_{\phi}^{x} \\ E_{\theta}^{y} & E_{\phi}^{y} \end{bmatrix}$ $J_{beam} * Sky * J_{beam}^{H}$

- Polarization components:
 - I, Q, U, V
- Plot info:
 - Diagonal terms Ideal capture
 - $\blacksquare I \rightarrow A^{I}, Q \rightarrow A^{Q}, U \rightarrow A^{U}, V \rightarrow A^{V}$
 - Off diagonals Leakage
 - I-> A^{Q, U, V}
 - Q -> A^{I, U, V}
 - U -> A^{I, Q, V}
 - V -> A^{I, Q, U}

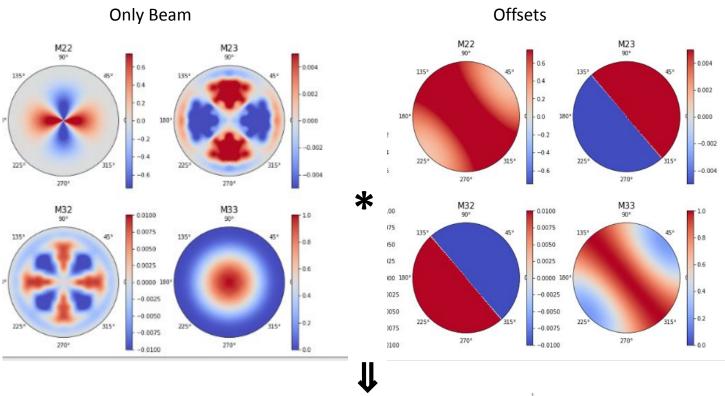


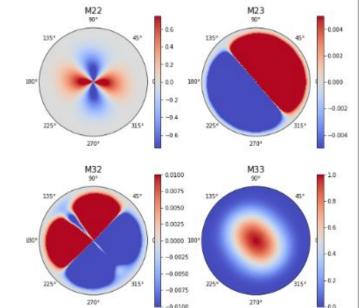
Stokes Leakage: FARSIDE Case

• <u>Input</u>: EDGES beam placed orthogonally + Offset the antennas $J_{beam} = \begin{bmatrix} E_{\theta}^{x} & E_{\phi}^{x} \\ E_{\theta}^{y} & E_{\phi}^{y} \end{bmatrix} \quad J_{offset} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\Delta\phi} \end{bmatrix}$

 $(J_{beam} * J_{offset}) * Sky * (J_{beam} * J_{offset})^{H}$

- Adding the offset has a significant impact, especially on the circular polarization signal. This impact is shown only for one 1MHz
 - $_{\odot}$ $\,$ It varies with frequency
 - $_{\odot}$ $\,$ Errors in the offset $\,$







- We have developed a formulation to study the antenna and array effects on the polarized signal.
- Using the stokes formulation we will estimate the tolerance level in:
 - Error on the dipole placements and orientation
- We will test the pipeline on real sky models



- We have developed a formulation to study the antenna and array effects on the polarized signal.
- Using the stokes formulation we will estimate the tolerance level in:
 - Error on the dipole placements and orientation
- We will test the pipeline on real sky models

Thank you!