



# Dark Cosmology: Investigations of Dark Matter with the Dark Ages Polarimeter PathfinderER (DAPPER)

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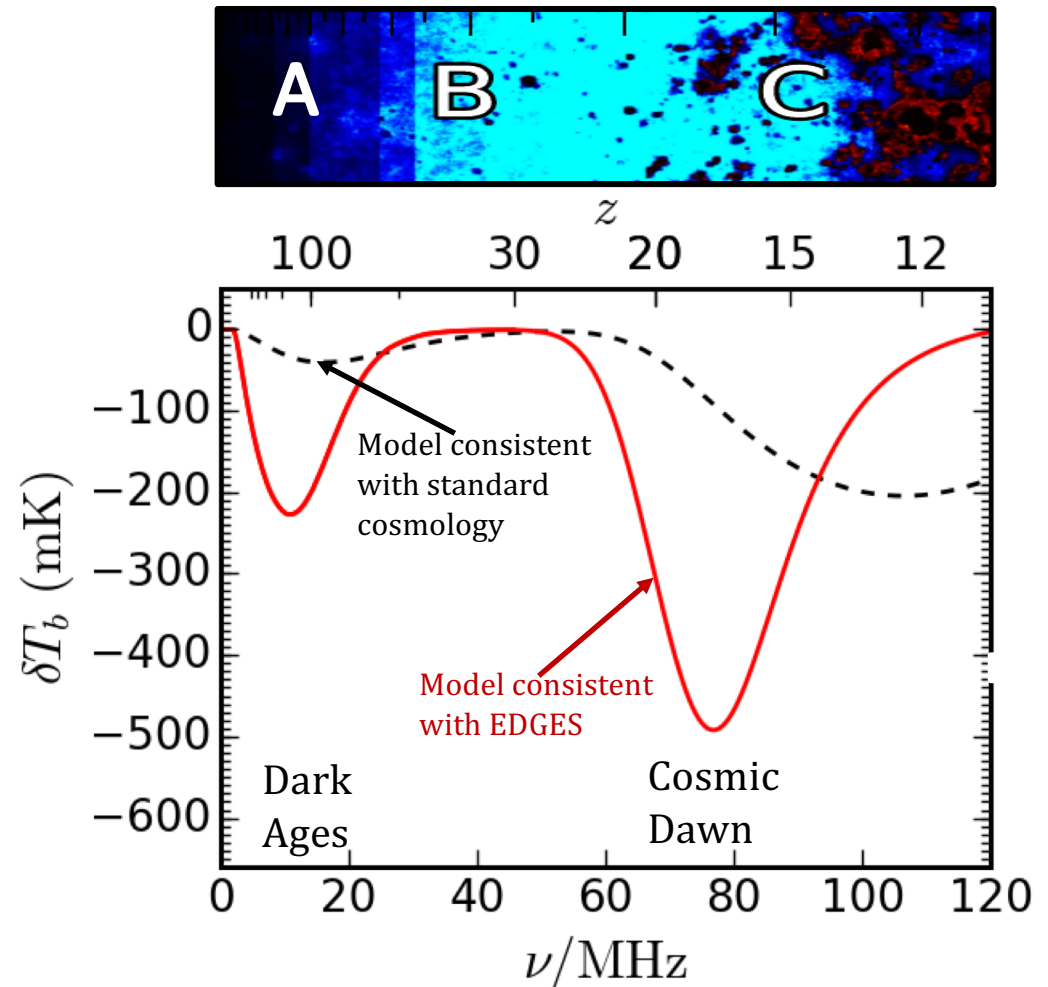
# What is the 21-cm Global signal?

## Spectral Features:

**A: Dark Ages:** test of standard cosmological model

**B: Cosmic Dawn:** First stars ignite

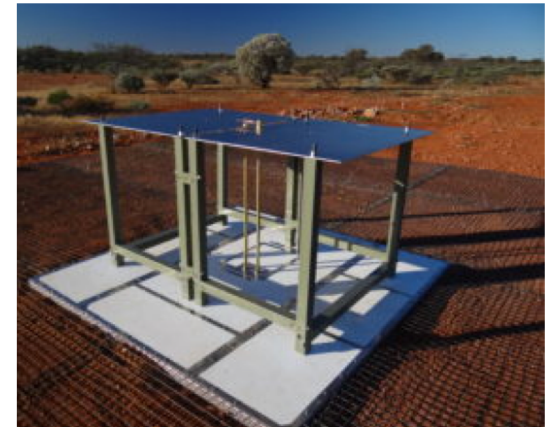
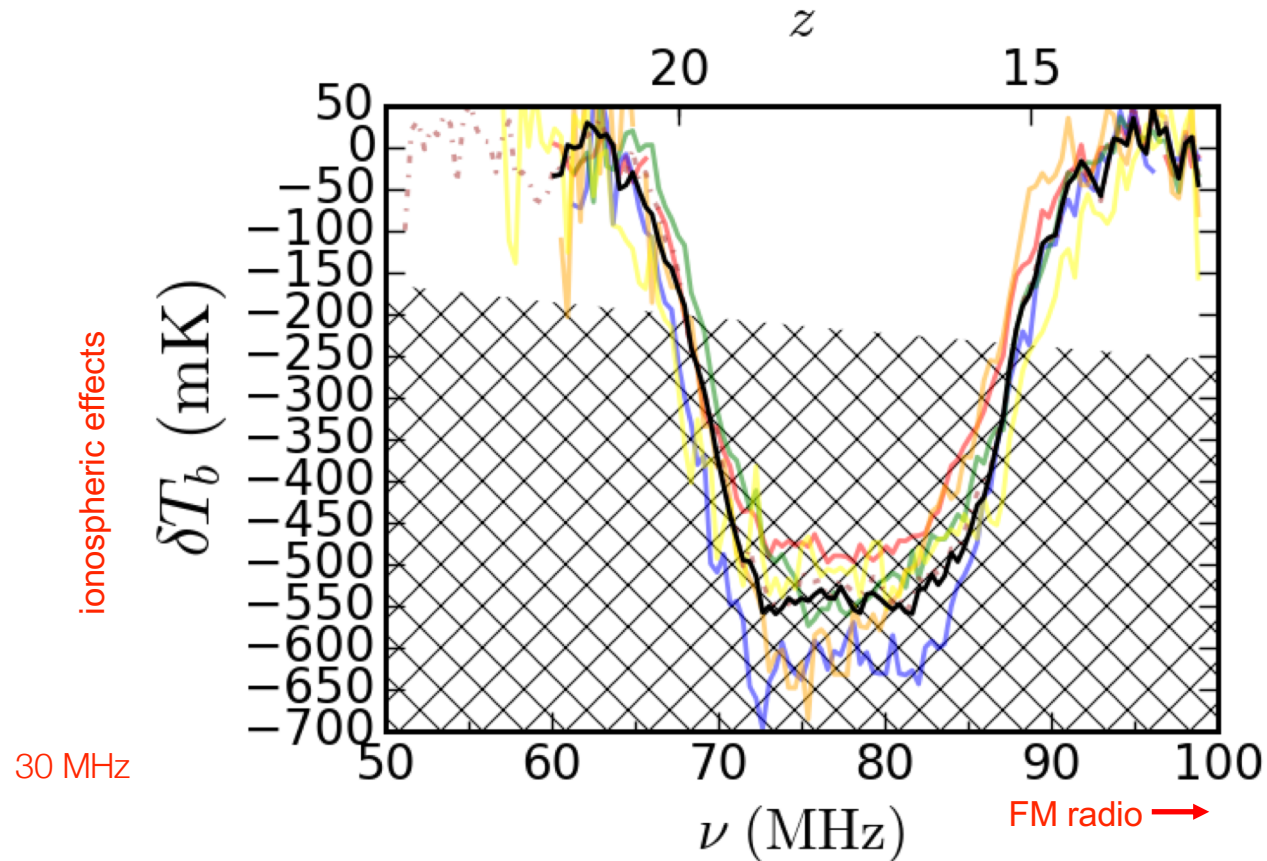
**C: Black hole accretion** begins





# EDGES: Key Features

*Bowman et al. 2018, Nature, 555, 67*



# Initial Considerations

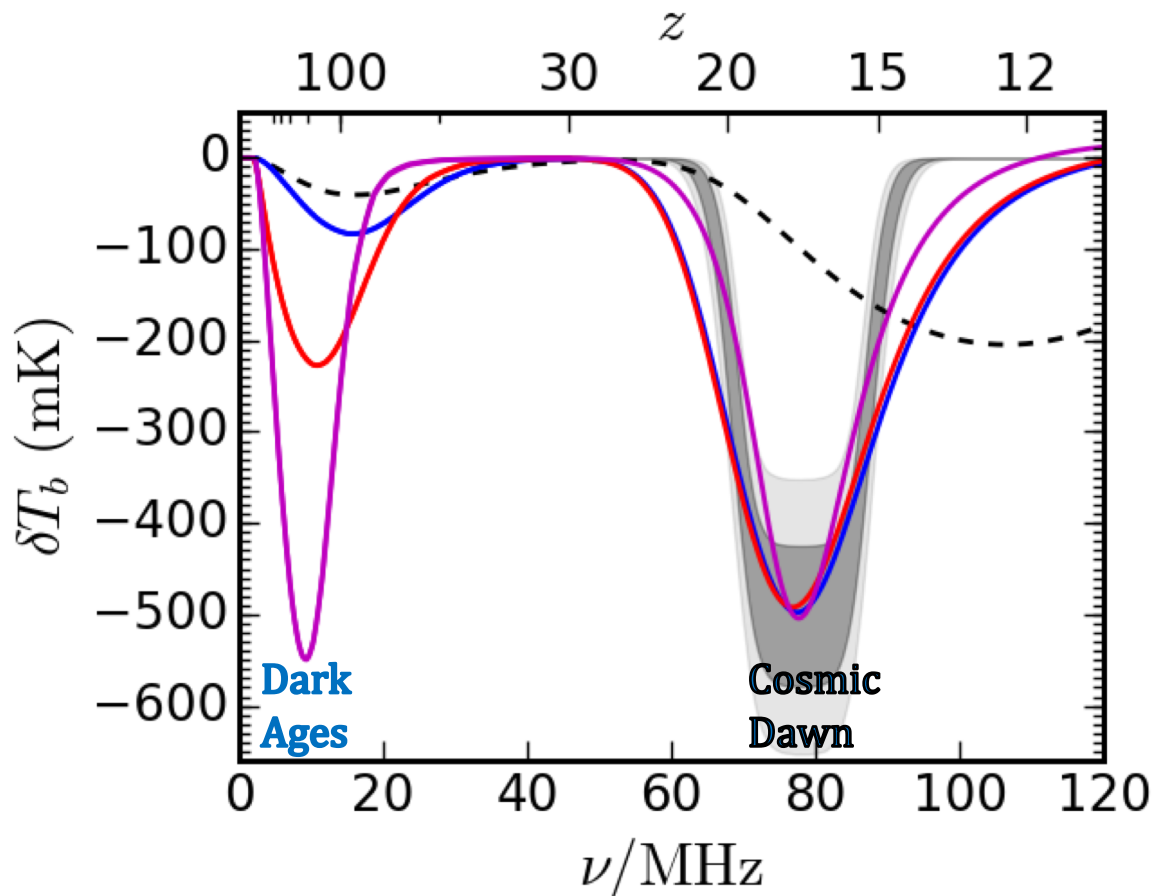
$$\delta T_b \simeq 27 \bar{x}_{\text{HI}}(1 + \delta) \left( \frac{\Omega_{b,0} h^2}{0.023} \right) \left( \frac{0.15}{\Omega_{m,0} h^2} \frac{1+z}{10} \right)^{1/2} \left( 1 - \frac{T_{\text{R}}}{T_{\text{S}}} \right) \text{ mK}$$

*Q. How to amplify signal by a factor of 2-3?*

1. Increase  $T_{\text{R}}$  via Dark Matter decay or synchrotron radiation from black holes, galaxies.
  - Feng & Holder, Ewall-Wice et al., Fraser et al., Mirocha & Furlanetto
2. Alter the cosmology.
  - McGaugh, Costa et al., Hill et al.
3. Decrease  $T_{\text{S}}$  via baryon-Dark Matter interactions which cools the hydrogen.
  - Barkana, Munoz & Loeb, Fialkov et al., Berlin et al., Slatyer & Wu



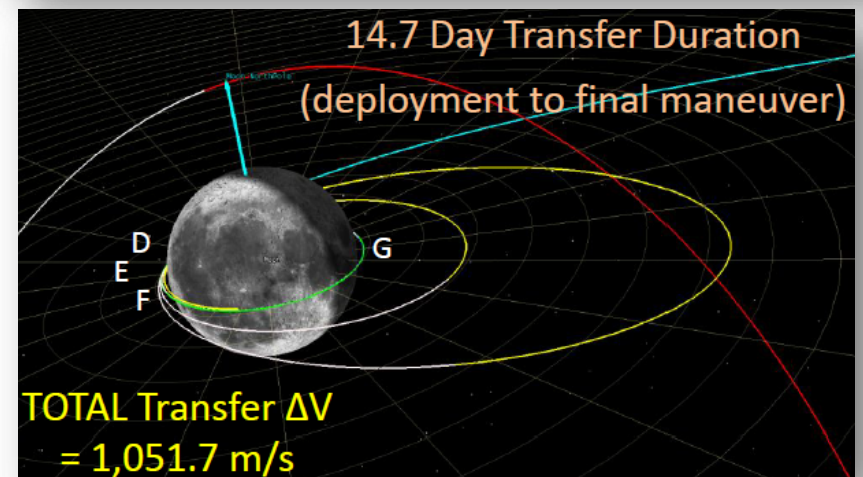
# Extrapolation into the Dark Ages based upon EDGES Results



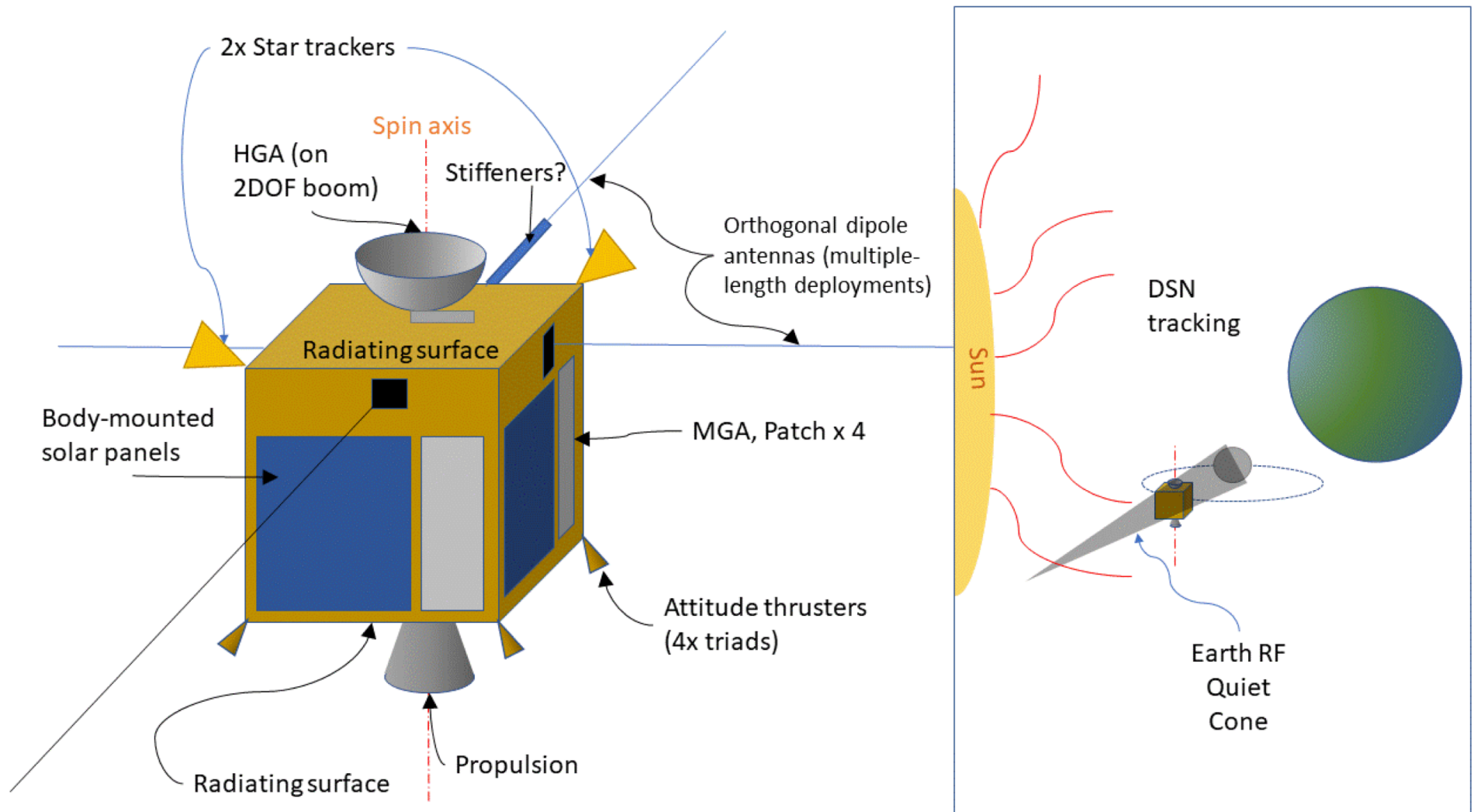
- **68 and 95% (dark and light gray) bands:** EDGES measurements of **Cosmic Dawn**.
- **Black, dashed curve:** Example of the **standard** astrophysical models ***inconsistent with EDGES results***.
- EDGES results (Bowman et al. 2018, Nature, 555, 67) require exotic physics such as e.g. interactions between baryons and dark matter particles.
- Beyond-standard-physics models of the **Dark Ages** trough consistent with the EDGES Cosmic Dawn signal:
  - Blue curve:** Maximum cooling rate is the adiabatic rate, but occurring earlier.
  - Red curve:** Cooling rate both lower and earlier.
  - Magenta curve:** Cooling rate not monotonically declining (i.e. there is a 'preferred epoch' of excess cooling).

# The Dark Ages Polarimeter Pathfinder (DAPPER): A Space-based SmallSat Testbed

- **Science Objectives:**
  - Search for deviations from the standard cosmological model & impact of exotic physics
  - Verify EDGES results
- DAPPER will launch from NASA's Lunar Gateway & transfer to a  $50 \times 125$  km low lunar orbit
- Operates over primary bandwidth of 17-30 MHz ( $83 \geq z \geq 46$ ) and sparse secondary sampling from 30-100 MHz ( $46 \geq z \geq 13$ )
- Bandwidth determined by antenna resonances from 3 length deployments of thin-wire, spinning, dual orthogonal dipole antennas (TRL=8) ranging from 4.4-7.6 m tip-to-tip
- Low noise amplifiers & dual channel receiver to measure all 4 Stokes parameters. Based upon FIELDS instrument currently flying on Parker Solar Probe (TRL = 8)
- Projection-induced polarimetry used to independently constrain foreground



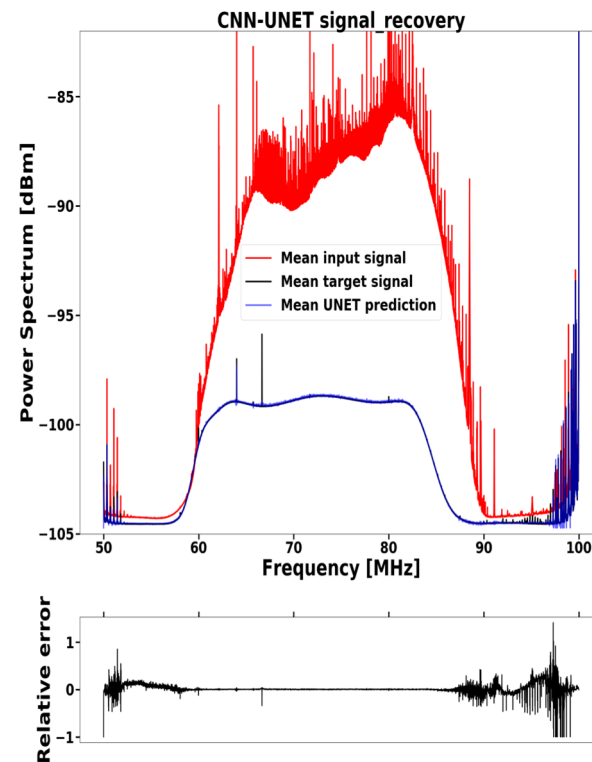
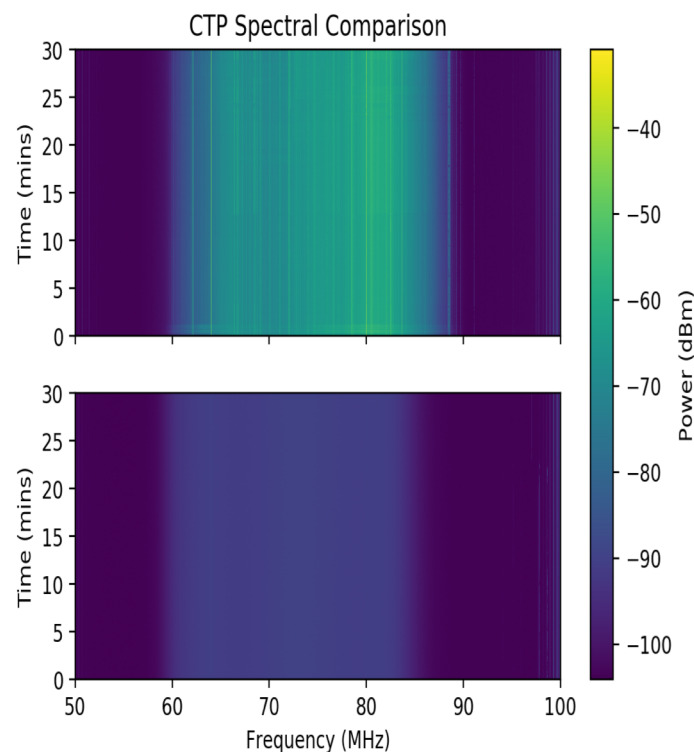
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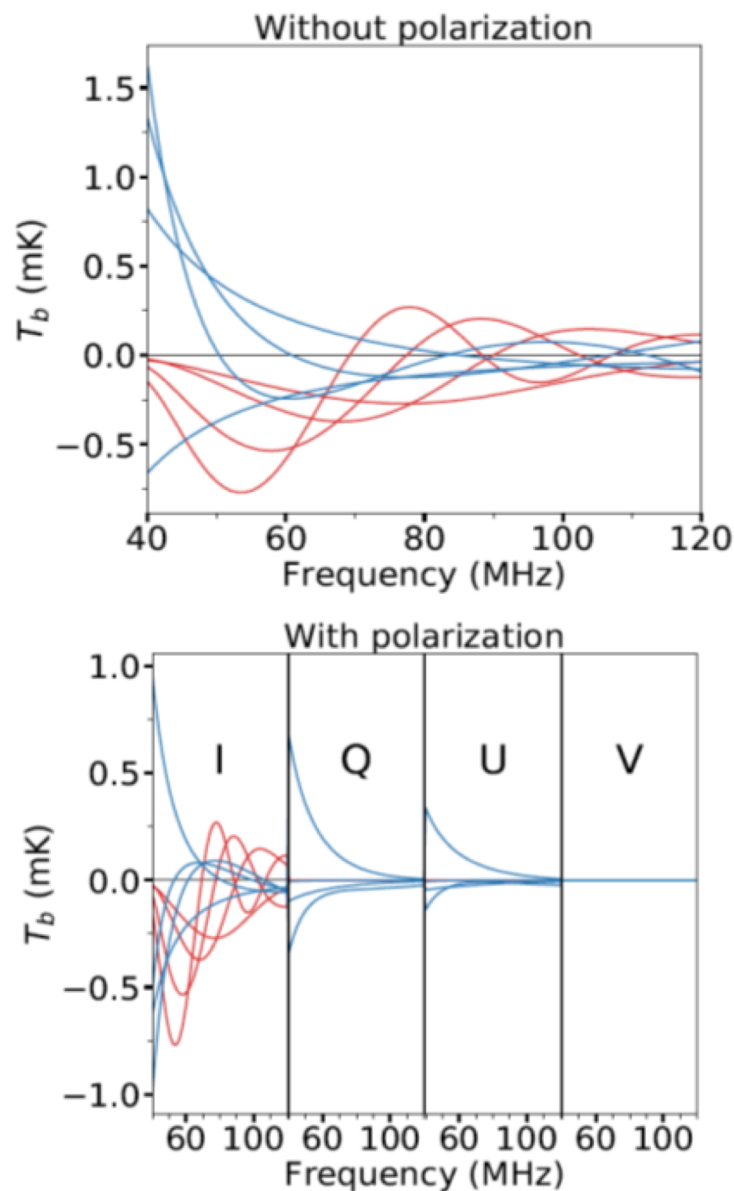


# DAPPER: Internal RFI Mitigation Strategy

- **Active Control**
  - Faraday Cage + Polyphase Filters
  - Crystal Oscillator Masking of Internal RFI
- **Knowledge-Based Measurement of RFI**
  - Frequency-Tone injection system to accurately measure gain variations
  - Neural Network Separation of RFI from Sky + 21-cm spectrum



# How can we extract the 21-cm signal?



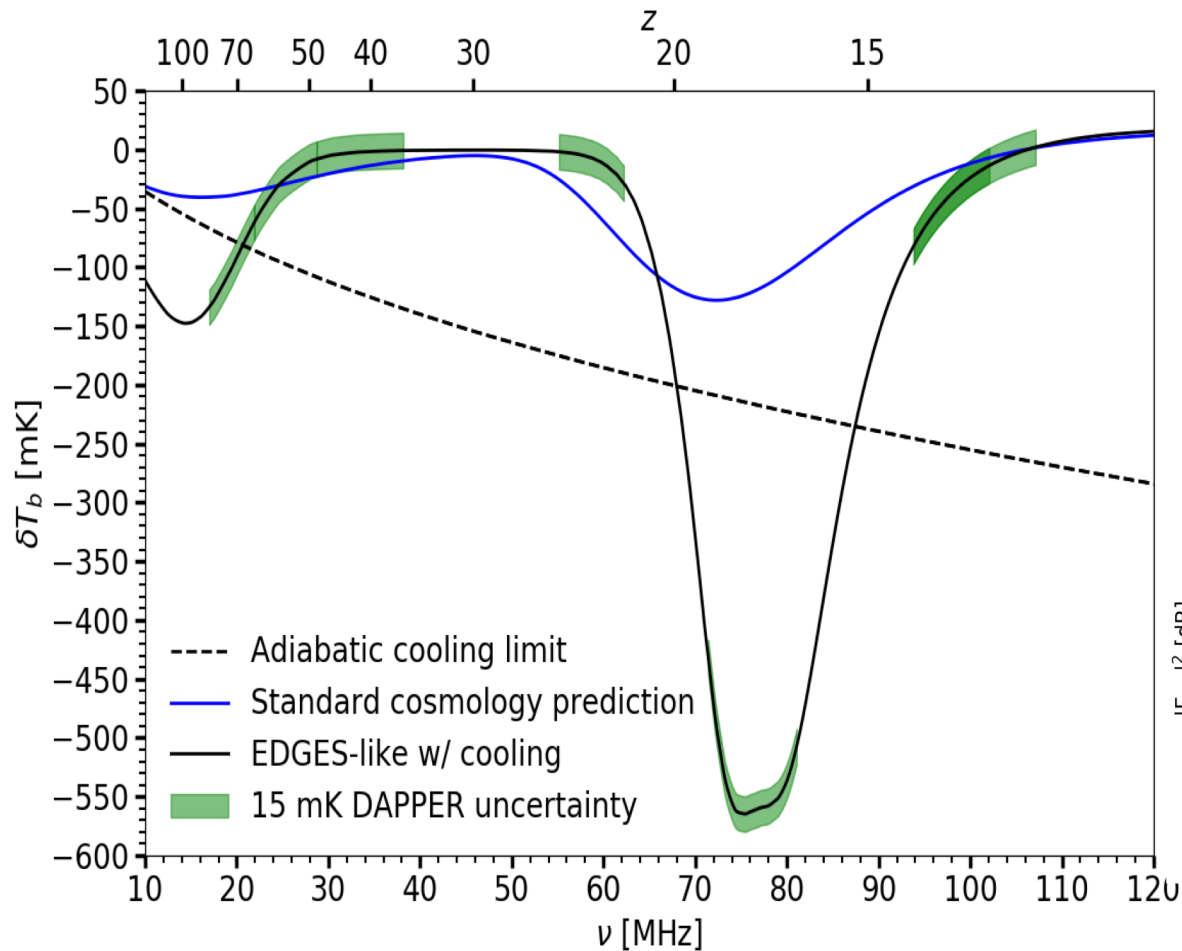
## Employ Pattern Recognition + Dynamic Polarimetry Techniques:

- Extract basis vectors from training sets using **Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)**
- SVD is a machine learning tool equivalent to:
  - Principal Component Analysis (PCA)
  - EigenVector Decomposition (EVD)

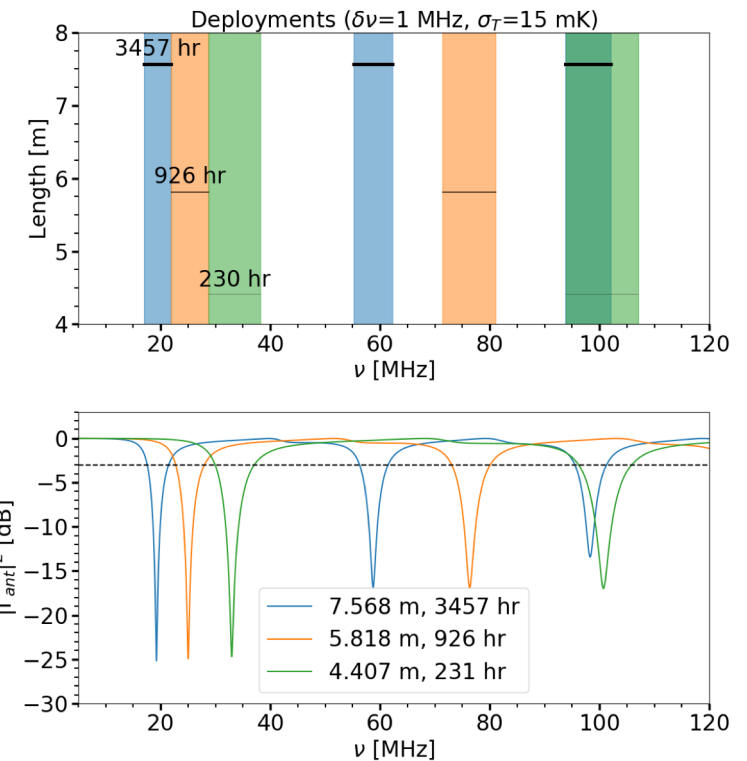
See also talks by:

- Rapetti+, *Full Data Analysis Pipeline*, J4-15, 11:40
- Tauscher+, *Challenges of Global EoR Detection*, J5-3, 13:45
- Bordenave+, *The Cosmic Twilight Polarimeter*, J5-9, 15:30

# What is the expected DAPPER Performance?



## DAPPER Bandpasses



DAPPER will measure amplitude of 21-cm spectrum to the level required to distinguish (at  $>5\sigma$ ) the standard cosmological model from that of additional cooling derived from current EDGES results



# Team Members & Recent Publications

Team Member	Expertise & Experience	Role
J. O. Burns, U. Colorado	cm, meter-wave observations; CTP; data processing; cosmology simulations	PI. Ensures mission success, mission reporting; data analysis
S. D. Bale, UC Berkeley	P.I. for Parker Solar Probe FIELDS and STEREO/WAVES; meter-wave instrumentation	Co-I. Instrument scientist
R. Bradley, NRAO	Meter-wave instrumentation; CTP; PAPER; HERA	Co-I. Polarimeter; receiver
NASA Ames Research Center	Extensive lunar mission experience including LADEE and LCROSS	Mission Design; management, Navigation
J. Bowman, ASU	Meter-wave instruments; P.I. EDGES; HERA	Collaborator; RF instrument
H. Falcke, Radbound U.	Meter-wave instrumentation; NCLE lunar radio experiment	Collaborator; RFI environment
S. Furlanetto, UCLA	21-cm cosmology theory	Collaborator; modeling of DAPPER spectrum
M. Klein-Wolt, Radbound U.	Meter-wave instrumentation; NCLE lunar radio experiment	Collaborator; RFI environment
R. MacDowall, GSFC	Meter-wave space instruments; Solar Probe, STEREO, WIND	Collaborator; RFI environment; RF instrument
J. Mirocha, McGill U.	21-cm cosmology theory	Collaborator; modeling of DAPPER spectrum
B. Nhan, U. Virginia	Meter-wave instrumentation; CTP	Collaborator; polarimeter
D. Rapetti, U. Colorado	Signal extraction & modelling	Postdoc; data analysis pipeline
K. Tauscher, U. Colorado	Signal extraction & modelling	Graduate student; data analysis

- **Burns et al.** 2017, *A Space-based Observational Strategy for Characterizing the First Stars and Galaxies Using the Redshifted 21cm Global Spectrum*, ApJ, 844, 33.
- **Tauscher, K., Rapetti, D., Burns, J., Switzer, E.** 2018, *Global 21-cm Signal Extraction from Foreground & Instrumental Effects I: Pattern Recognition Framework for Separation Using Training Sets*, ApJ, 853, 187.
- **Tauscher, K., Rapetti, D., Burns, J.** 2018, *A new goodness-of-fit statistic and its application to 21-cm cosmology*, Journal of Cosmology and Astroparticle Physics, Issue 12, article id. 015.
- **Nhan, B., Bordenave, D., Bradley, R., Burns, J., Klima, P., Tauscher, K., Rapetti, D.** 2019, *A Proof of Concept Experiment to Constrain the Foreground Spectrum for Global 21 cm Cosmology Through Projection-Induced Polarimetry*, submitted to ApJ., arXiv:1811.04917.

# Summary and Conclusions

- The redshifted 21-cm Global Spectrum at  $\lesssim 30$  MHz offers the prospect of probing the nature & character of Dark Matter in the Dark Ages.
- These observations need to be conducted in space, in orbit of the Moon, to eliminate Earth ionospheric & RFI effects.
- Projection-induced polarization provides an independent measure of the galactic foreground.
- We developed a method which transforms the 21-cm signal extraction task from one where *absolute knowledge of system parameters* is required to one of *composing training sets where knowledge of the modes of variation* are used.
- We are developing a SmallSat mission concept (DAPPER) to utilize both polarimetry and pattern recognition to detect deviations from the standard cosmology model.