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> Jason Glenn, University of Colorado, Boulder Formation and Development of Molecular Clouds Cologne University, 5 Oct 2011

Telescope



Basics

- Aperture: 25 m
- Angular Resolution: 3.5" beams
 @ 350 μm
- Wavelengths: 350 μm 2.2 mm
 (200 μm goal)
- FOV: $\geq 20'$ (1°)
- Surface: HWFE < 12.5 μ m rms
- Cost: ~\$110M U.S. (85€ million)

Construction

- Enclosed
- Alt/Az mount with Nasmyth foci
- Active surface with AI tiles and CFRP subframes
- CFRP truss
- Steel elevation structure

Atmospheric Transmission Cerro Chajnantor (5,600 m)³





Timeline

- 2004 MOU signed between Cornell and Caltech
- 2006 CCAT Feasibility/Concept Study completed
- 2007 Interim Consortium Agreement signed by, including Cornell, Caltech, UK ATC, Colorado
- 2010 U.S. Astro2010 Decadal Survey endorsement:

Recommendations for New Ground-Based Activities—Medium Project

Only one medium project is called out, because it is ranked most highly. Other projects in this category should be submitted to the Mid-Scale Innovations Program for competitive review.

- 2011 CCAT partnership, corporation, and board of directors formed; Engineering Design Phase initiated
- 2013 Scheduled completion of EDP
- 2013 2017 Scheduled construction phase



First-Light Instrumentation

A call for proposals will be circulated to CCAT partners shortly for design studies for first-light instruments, with first-light instrument selection preceding the end of the EDP.

Instruments that have been discussed include

- SWCam: TES or FIR-KID arrays
 - (200), 350, 450, (620) µm bands
 - Possibly 50,000 0.5f λ pixels
- LWCam: MKID array
 - (750), 850, 1100, 1300, 2100 μm bands
 - Possibly 3k 4-color $(1-2)f\lambda$ pixels
- Broadband, medium resolution multiobject spectrometer using ZEUS or Z-Spec technology
- Heterodyne spectrometer arrays







Galaxies & the Cosmic Far-Infrared Background at Submillimeter

Wavelengths

- 1. Submm observations are necessary to measure the bolometric luminosities of starforming galaxies
- 2. Only the most luminous galaxies have been detected so far
 - 10% of CFIRB resolved directly with *Hersche*l
 - 50% resolved by P(D)
 - ⇒ Parameterized number count models derived to a depth of 2 mJy/beam



HerMES Lockman Hole North Oliver et al. (2010, 2011)





Simulated maps of the same patch of sky based on *Herschel* counts

µm





Measuring the ULIRG Luminosity Function to $z \ge 5$



Courtesy R. Chary, based on Chary & Elbaz

- At $5\sigma_{conf}$ CCAT will detect ULIRGs to $z \approx 6.3$, 5.5, and 0.7, respectively, at $\lambda = 350$, 450, and 850 µm
- The deepest CCAT surveys will match Spitzer 24 µm for z < 2 and surpass for z > 2
- Halo masses can be measured via clustering of galaxies almost two orders of magnitude fainter than *Herschel* [$S_{250\mu m} > 30 \text{ mJy}$ reside in dark matter halos with $M > (5\pm 4) \times 10^{12} M_{sun}$]

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High-z galaxies will have low 350 to 850 μ m flux density ratios ("350 μ m dropouts") and may enable us to probe the epoch of reionization



 $>5\sigma$ 850 µm detection, 350 µm nondetections



Spectroscopy: Redshifts and ISM Astro-physics

- Thousands of galaxies will be detectable per sq. deg. spectroscopically
- Broadband MOS capability required
- Atomic fine-structure lines, line-continuum ratios, and CO ladder will measure
 - Redshifts
 - Gas mass reservoirs
 - Gas cooling rate
 - Gas excitation mechanisms



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The SZ Effect: Resolving Cluster Astrophysics

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- CCAT will resolve clusters better than 10 m class telescopes while not resolving out diffuse signal
- Broad submm-to-mm spectral coverage and good angular resolution will enable separation of thermal SZ, kinetic SZ, dusty galaxies, and CMB
- N(M, z) help constrain cosmological parameters, such as w₀
- Comparison to simulations will improve scaling relations for mass estimates

Questions to Consider

- What spectral lines are most important for mapping?
- What priority should be assigned to the bands?



Continuum sensitivities from Table 4.3 of the CCAT Feasibility/Concept Design Study (2006)

| λ (μm) | PWV (mm) | NEFD (mJy s ^{1/2}) |
|---------------|----------|------------------------------|
| 200 | 0.3 | 150 |
| 350 | 0.4 | 14 |
| 450 | 0.5 | 14 |
| 620 | 0.5 | 16 |
| 740 | 0.7 | 8.7 |
| 865 | 1.0 | 5.8 |
| 1.18 | 1.0 | 1.7 |
| 1.4 | 1.5 | 2.9 |
| 2.0 | 1.5 | 2.3 |

Jason Glenn, Unveiling the Far-IR and Sub-mm Extragalactic Universe

Measuring Redshifts and Characterizing Interstellar Media

Atomic fine-structure and molecular lines enable z to be measured and T, n, M_{gas}, and G to be measured and source of excitation to be identified

- G: 400- 5,000
- n: 10³ − 10⁴ cm⁻³
- Starburst-dominated to AGN-dominated L_[CII]/L_{FIR} ~ 8

Elux Density (10⁻¹⁸ W m² bin) Final density (10⁻¹⁸ W m² b



v (km/sec)

4 - SMM J123634

z = 1.2224

ZEUS CSO Stacey and Hailey-Dunsheath, et al.