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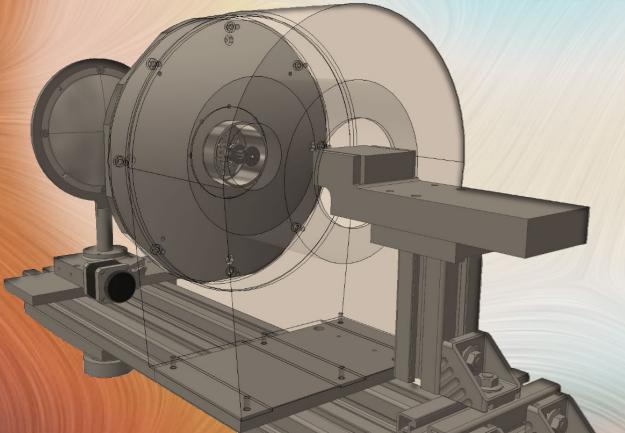
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### Mission overview

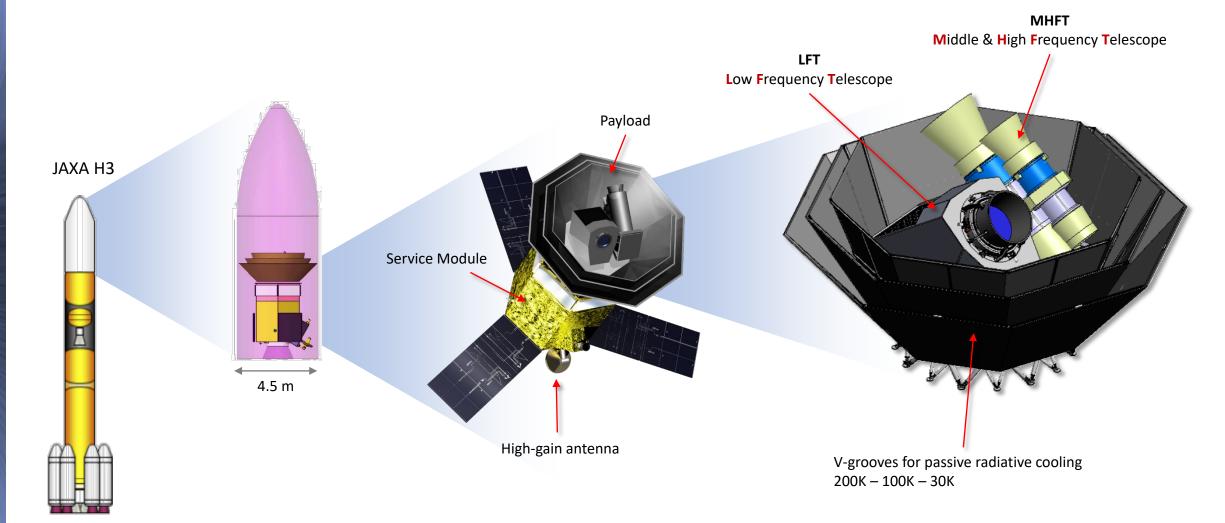


- LiteBIRD is a satellite for studies of B-modes of the CMB polarization
- May 2019: selected for JAXA's strategic L-class mission\*
- Expected launch in 2029 with JAXA's H3 rocket
- 3 years observations around Sun-Earth Lagrangian point L2
- All-sky surveys
- **15 frequency bands**: 34 448 GHz
- **Angular resolution**: 70 20 arcmin

 $<sup>*\</sup> http://www.isas.jaxa.jp/home/rikou/godo/2019/0602/gbi7uzhxfxmz/misison\_selection\_announcement\_may2019.pdf$ 

# Satellite & payload overview

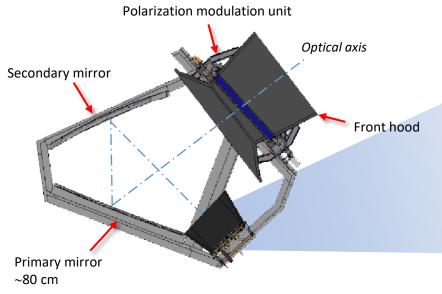




# The telescopes



### The Low Frequency Telescope

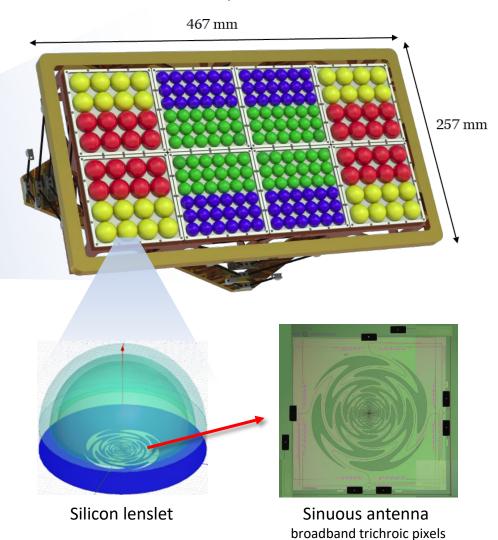


Dual reflectors telescope f/3.0 Crossed-Dragone

#### Main requirements

- 9 channels between 34 and 161 GHz
- Field of view >  $18^{\circ} \times 9^{\circ}$
- Beam size < ~1°
- Far sidelobe knowledge < -56 dB
- Temperature of HWP < 20 K

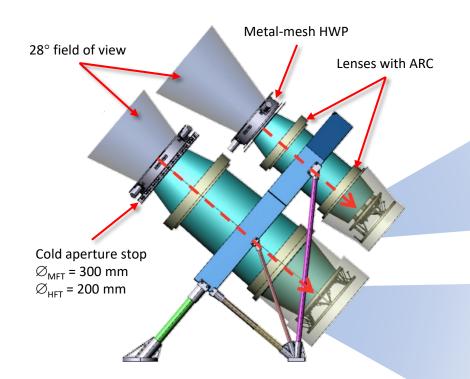
#### LFT focal plane unit



# The telescopes



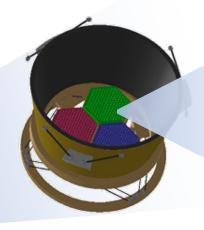
### The Middle-High Frequency Telescope



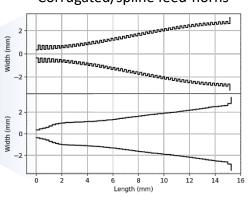
#### Main requirements

- 9 channels between 89 and 448 GHz
- Field of view ~28°
- Beam size 0.6° to 0.3°
- Far sidelobe knowledge < -56 dB
- Temperature of HWP < 20 K
- f/2.2 telescopes with AR-coated PP lenses (n = 1.52)

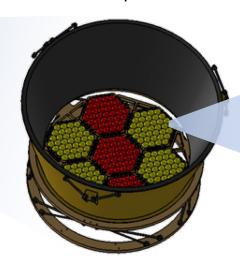
#### HFT focal plane unit



Corrugated/spline feed-horns



MFT focal plane unit

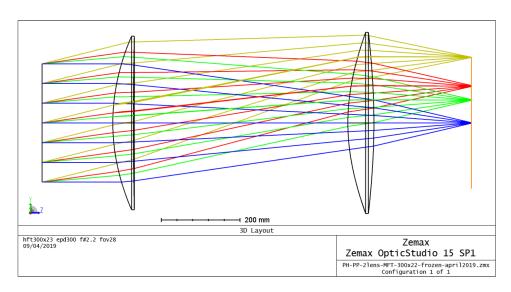


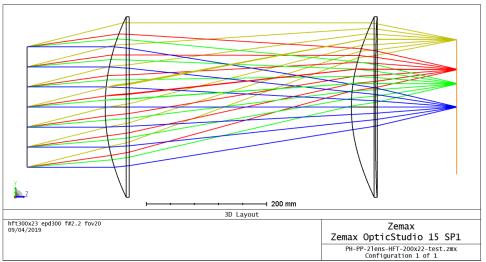
Silicon lenslets coupled to sinuous antennas



# The MHFT optical design







#### Middle Frequency Telescope (89 – 270 GHz)

- f/# = 2.2
- Entrance Pupil Diameter  $\emptyset$  = 300 mm
- Field of view: 28°
- Focal plane radius = 167.5 mm
- Effective focal length = 658.8 mm
- Total tube length = 1091.9 mm

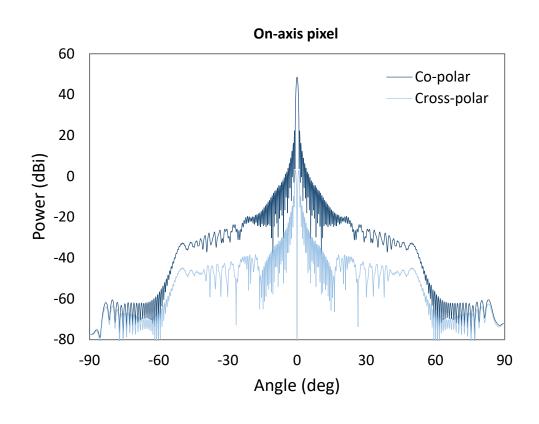
#### High Frequency Telescope (238 – 448 GHz)

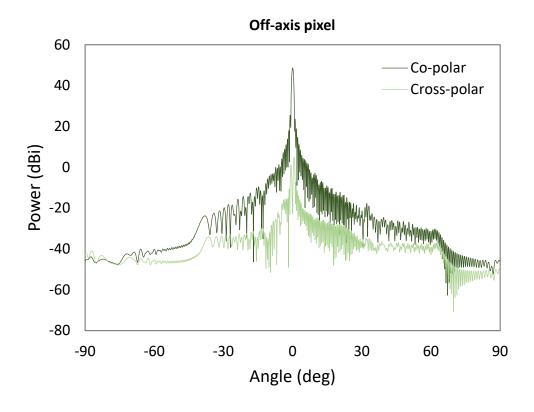
- f/# = 2.2
- Entrance Pupil Diameter  $\emptyset$  = 200 mm
- Field of view: 28°
- Focal plane radius = 112.4 mm
- Effective focal length = 438.5 mm
- Total tube length = 714.7 mm

# The MHFT optical modeling



■ Simulation of the MFT at 100 GHz ( $\phi$  = 45°) with PO

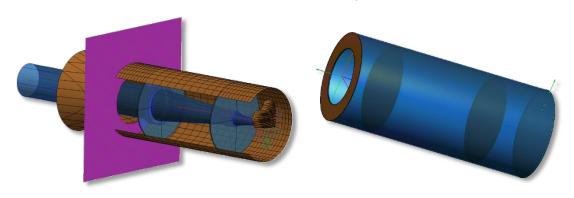




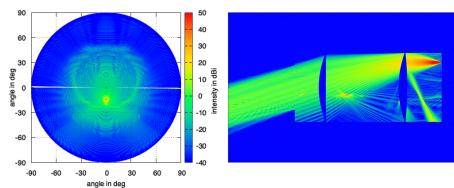
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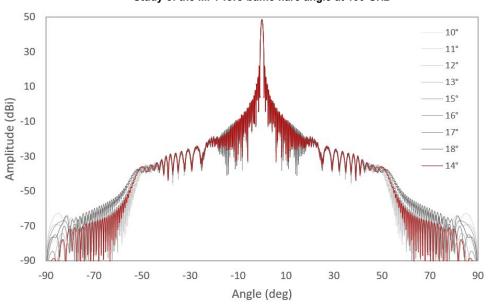
PO and MoM GRASP models of the MFT optics



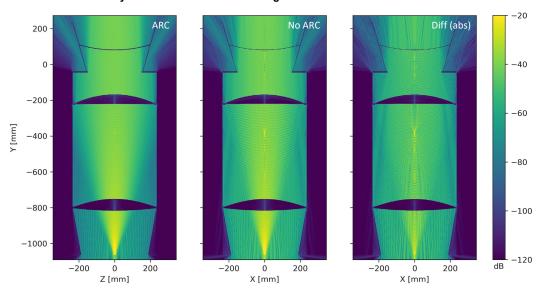
Study of the ghosting inside the MFT tube at 100 GHz



Study of the MFT fore-baffle flare angle at 100 GHz

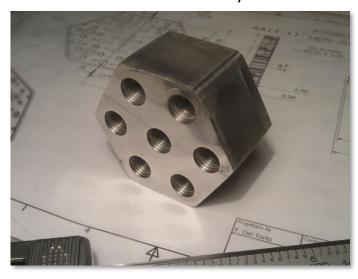


Study of the Anti-Reflection Coating on the MFT lenses at 100 GHz

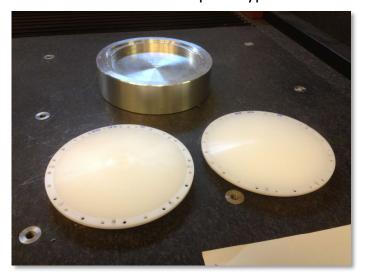


- Fig. R. R. D.
- A simple refractive optics to validate modeling w.r.t. measurements
- Using already available hardware

Feed-horns array



Dielectric lens prototype



- No focal plane TES detectors ⇒ well-known horn coupled to VNA
- Room temperature measurements

# The Bread-Board Model objectives



- Verify the accuracy & limitations of measurement methods
  - Far-field

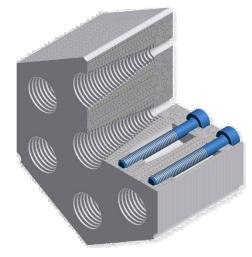
    Simplest and most accurate, but for «small» antennas only
  - Compact Antenna Test Range
     Direct measurement, but difficult to set-up
  - Near-fieldReliable, but requires near-to-far transformations

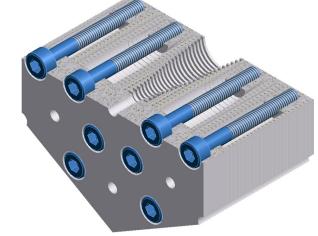


- Reliability of refractive optics simulations vs precision required by LiteBIRD
  - GRASP®, CST®, HFSS®, SRSR-D®, Zemax®
- Verify to what extent measurements and simulations agree
- Provide a test bed for the RF calibration plan at following levels of integration

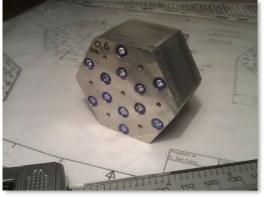


- W-band feedhorns array (ASI technological development)
  - Array design and manufacturing
    - 7-elements array
    - Dual profiled corrugations
    - Waveguide  $\emptyset$  = 2.40 mm
    - Aperture  $\emptyset$  = 9.74 mm
    - Horns apertures spacing 17.85 mm
    - Manufacturing w/ platelet technique







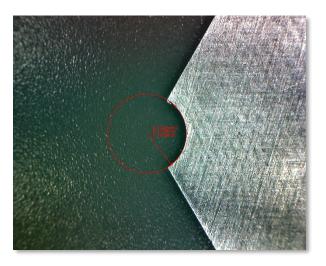


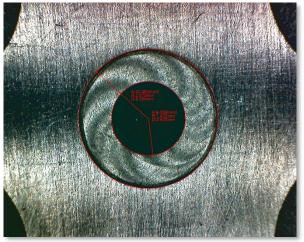


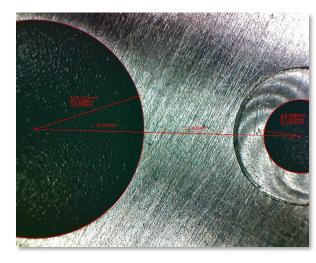


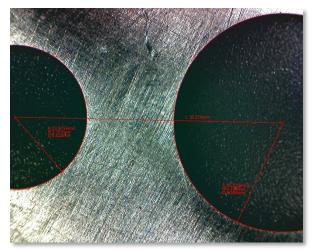
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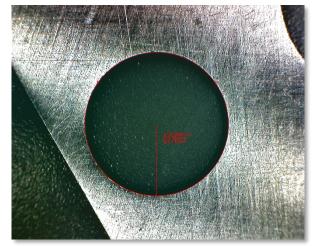
- W-band feedhorns array (ASI technological development)
  - Mechanical tolerance verification ~0.02 mm

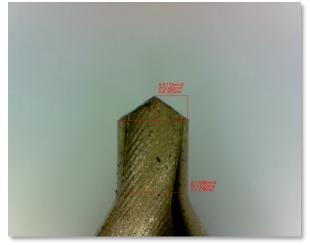






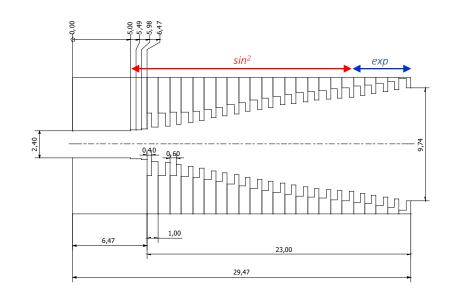


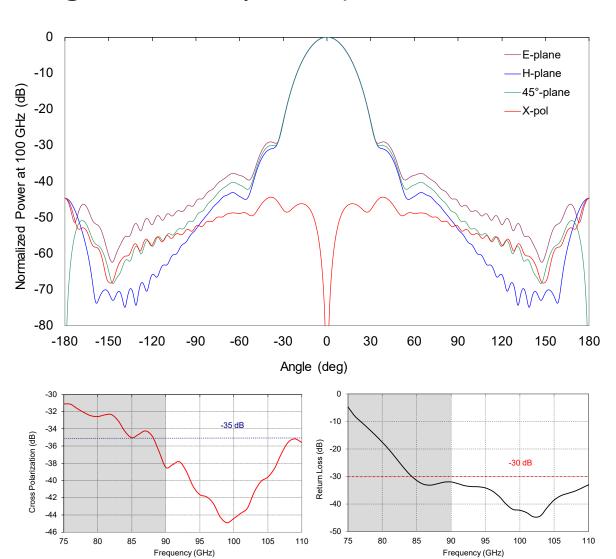






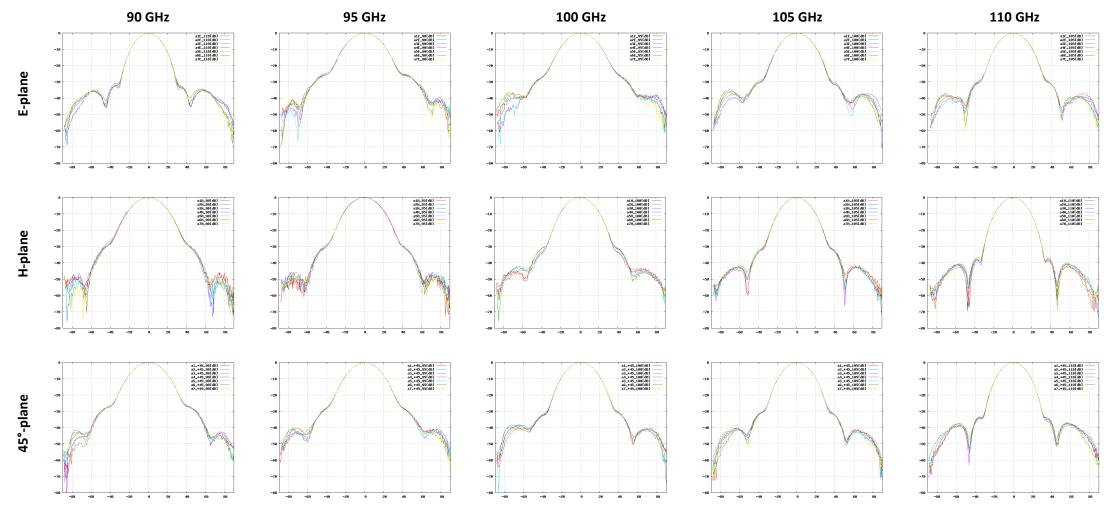
- W-band feedhorns array (ASI technological development)
  - Electromagnetic performance
    - $f_0 = 100 \text{ GHz}$
    - FWHM at  $f_0 = 18.5^{\circ}$
    - 20% bandwidth (90 110 GHz)
    - Side lobes < -30 dB
    - Cross-pol < -35 dB
    - Return loss < -30 dB





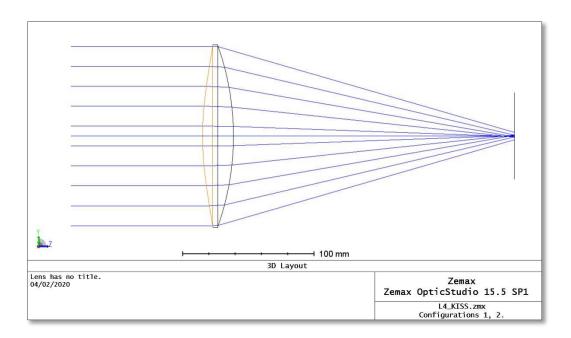


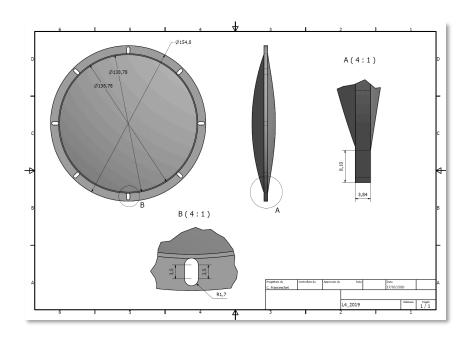
- W-band feedhorns array (ASI technological development)
  - Co-polar radiation pattern characterization





- HDPE lens prototype L4 (KISS experiment spare)
  - Entrance pupil  $\emptyset$  = 136 mm
  - lens aperture  $\emptyset$  = 138.7 mm
  - Effective Focal Length = 210,4 mm
  - HDPE index of refraction @300K = 1.52
  - No anti-reflection coating

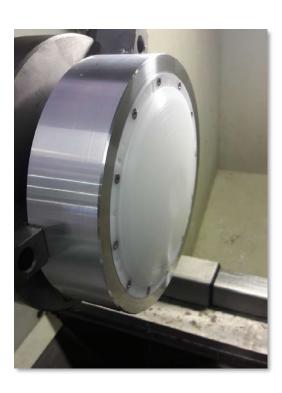


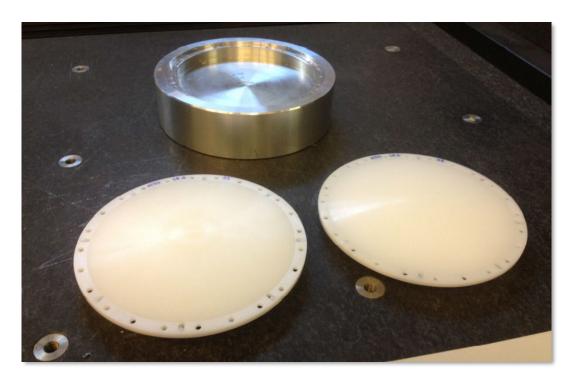


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- HDPE lens prototype L4 (KISS experiment spare)
  - Manufacturing with HDPE w/o ARC

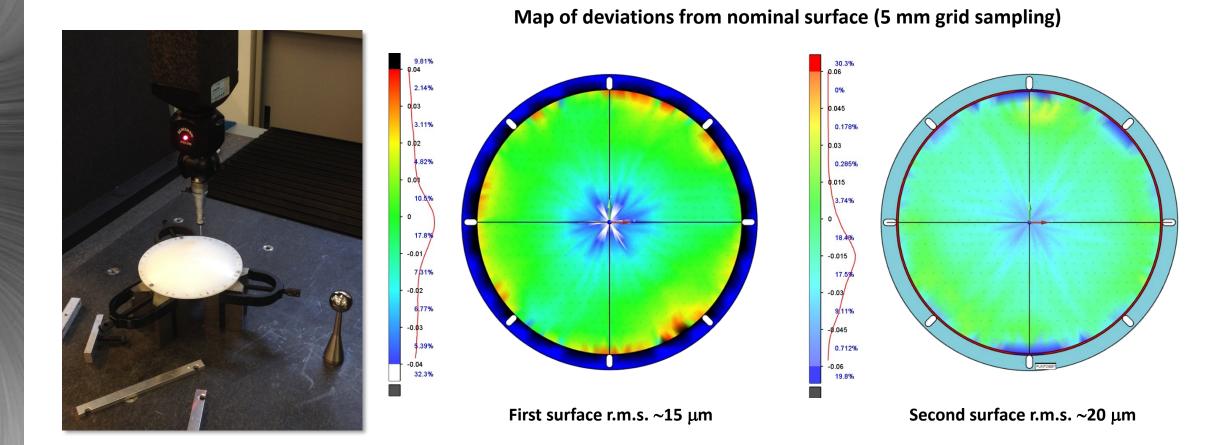






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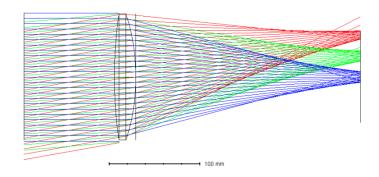
- HDPE lens prototype L4 (KISS experiment spare)
  - Mechanical tolerance verification with 3D metrology



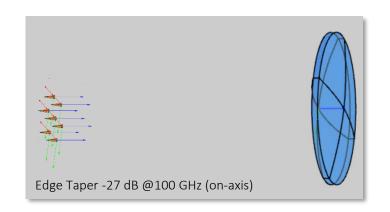


### Modeling of the BB1 with Zemax and GRASP PO

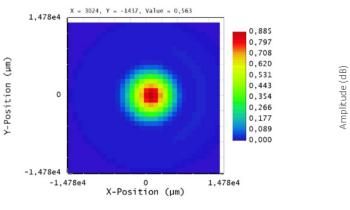
#### **BB1** model with Zemax

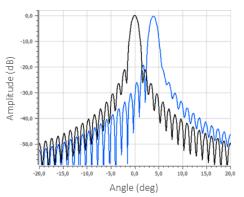


#### **BB1 model with GRASP**

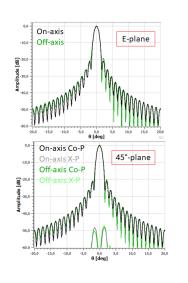


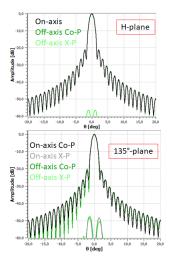
#### Verification of off-axis beam pointing

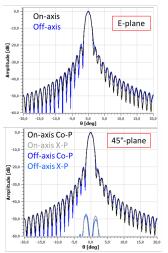


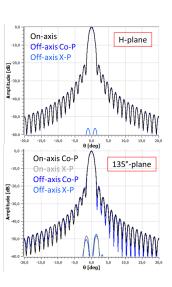


#### Radiation pattern at 100 GHz (on-axis & off-axis pixels)



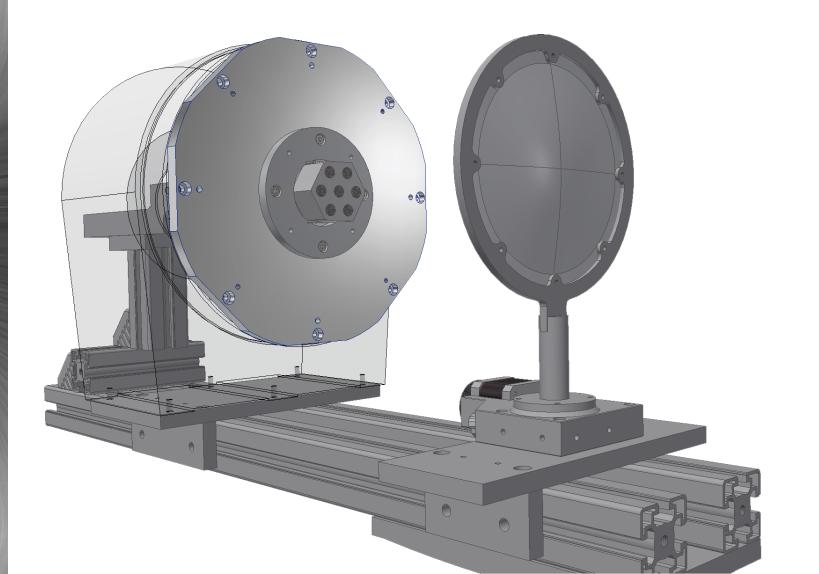


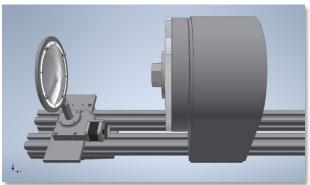


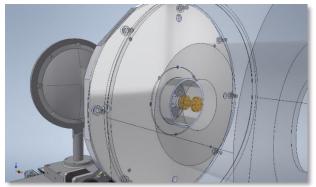


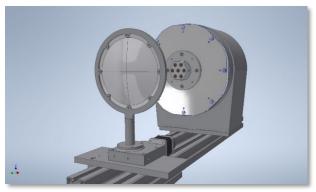
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Mechanical configuration of the BB1

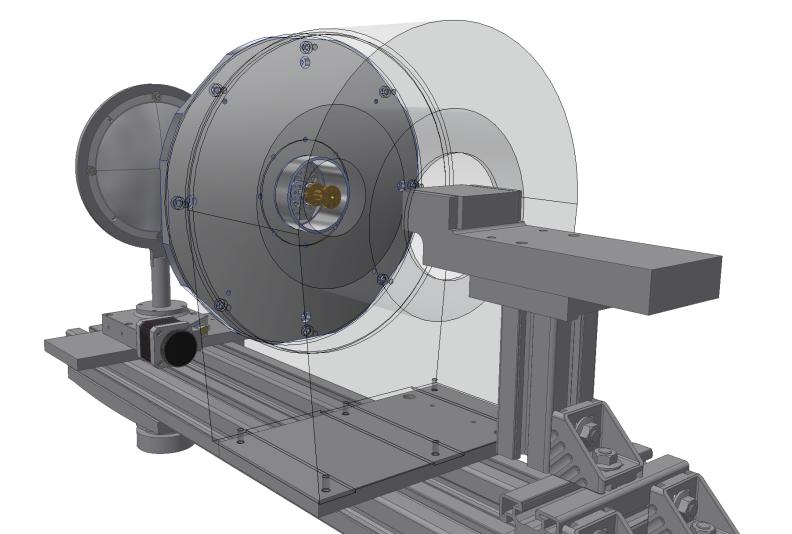


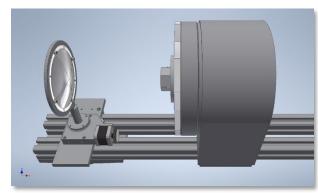




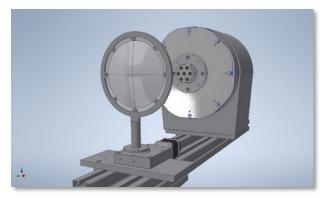


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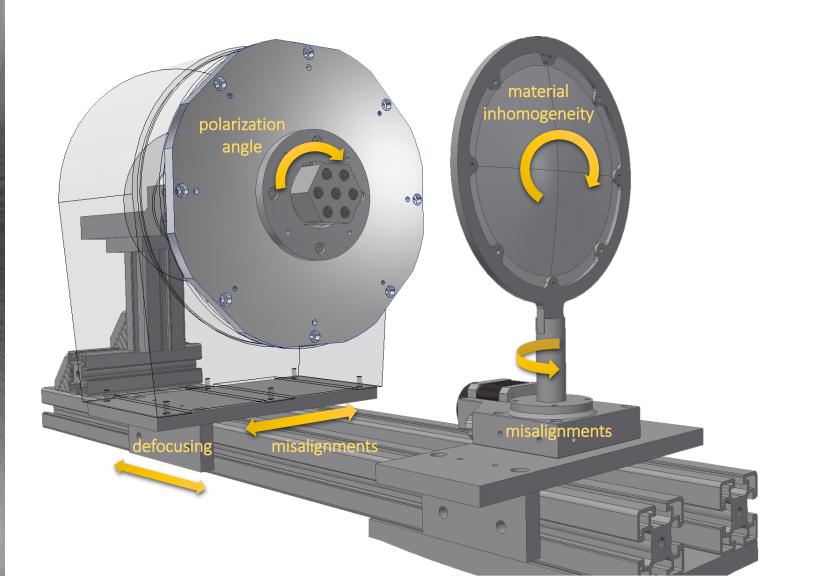


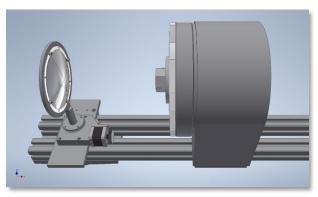


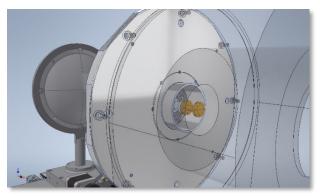


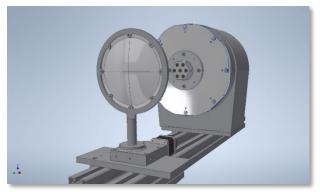
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■ The BB1 test plan in a screenshot





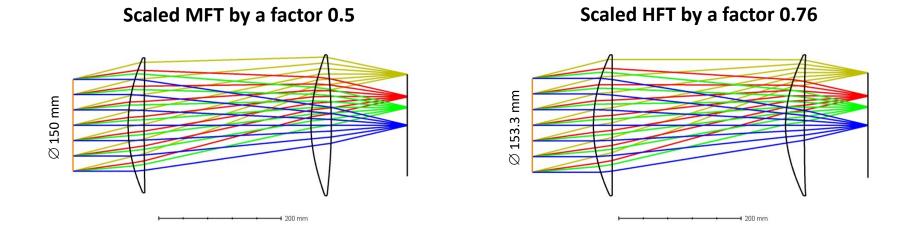




### Towards the Bread-Board Model BB2

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- Scaled version of MHFT
- Two lenses (polypropylene or HDPE)
- Corrugated feedhorn with MHFT illumination



- Focal number f/2.2
- Compatible with ~300 GHz operation

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# LiteBIRD MHFT Bread-Board testing – Summary



On-axis
Off-axis

- A simple refractive optics to validate modeling w.r.t. measurements
  - Verify measurement methods → Far-field, CATR, Near-field
  - Reliability of refractive optics modeling w.r.t. precision required by LiteBIRD MHFT
  - Agreement between measurements & simulations
  - Provide a test bed for the MHFT RF calibration plan (Prototype, QM, FM)
- Using already available hardware
- Add optical elements to increase complexity
  - Second lens (AR coating)
  - Stop aperture
  - Fore-baffle, tube, HWP prototype, etc.
- Towards a scaled MHFT optics

