

Electrostatic Waves Excited During Active Experiments in the Ionosphere

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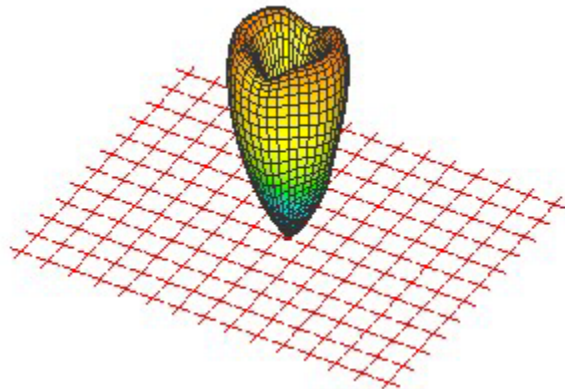
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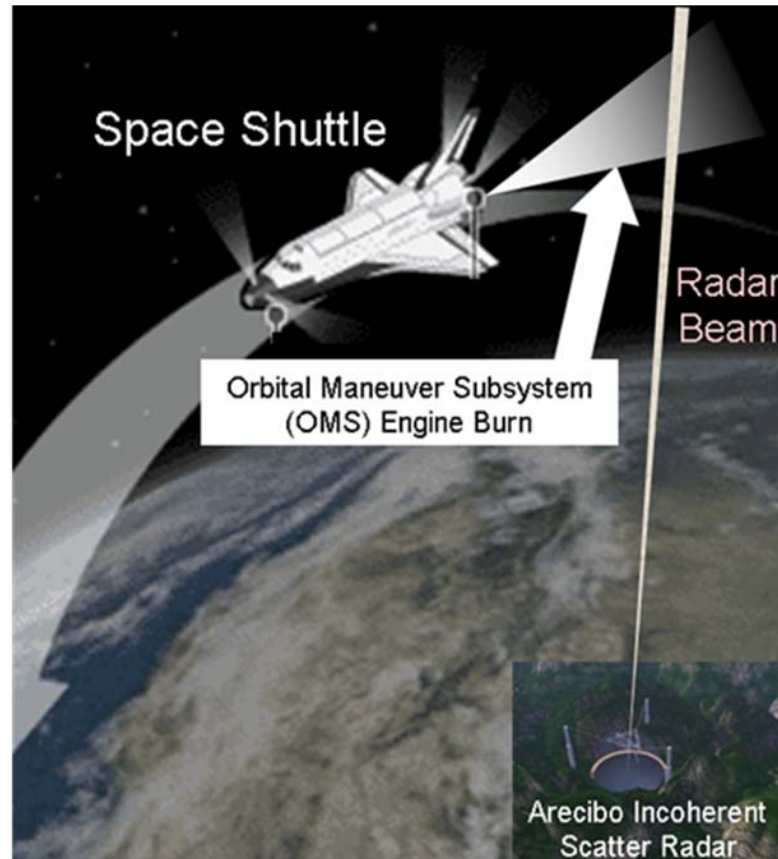
Electrostatic Wave Generation

- Fast Hypersonic Chemical Releases
 - Radar Scatter from ES Waves
- High Power Radio Waves
 - Excited Processes
 - Radar Scatter
 - Field Aligned Irregularities
 - Enhanced Ion Lines
 - Enhanced Plasma Lines
 - Stimulate Electromagnetic Emissions
 - Mode Conversion
 - Parametric Decay Instabilities

Shuttle Ionospheric Modification with Pulsed Localized Exhaust (SIMPLEX)

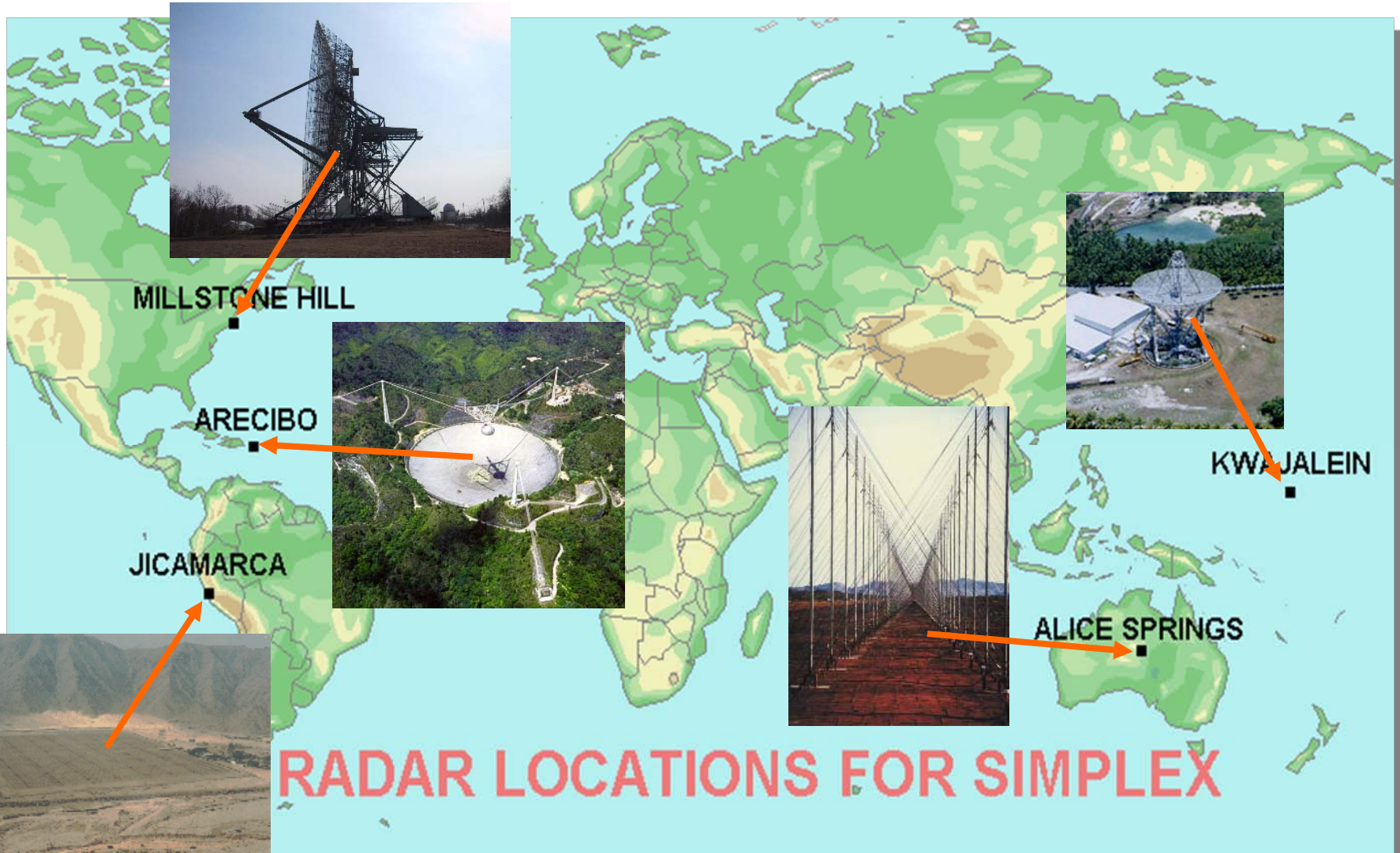
Objective: Investigate Plasma Turbulence Driven by Rocket Exhaust in the Ionosphere Using Ground Based Radars

Description: Fire OMS Engines to Excite Plasma Turbulence

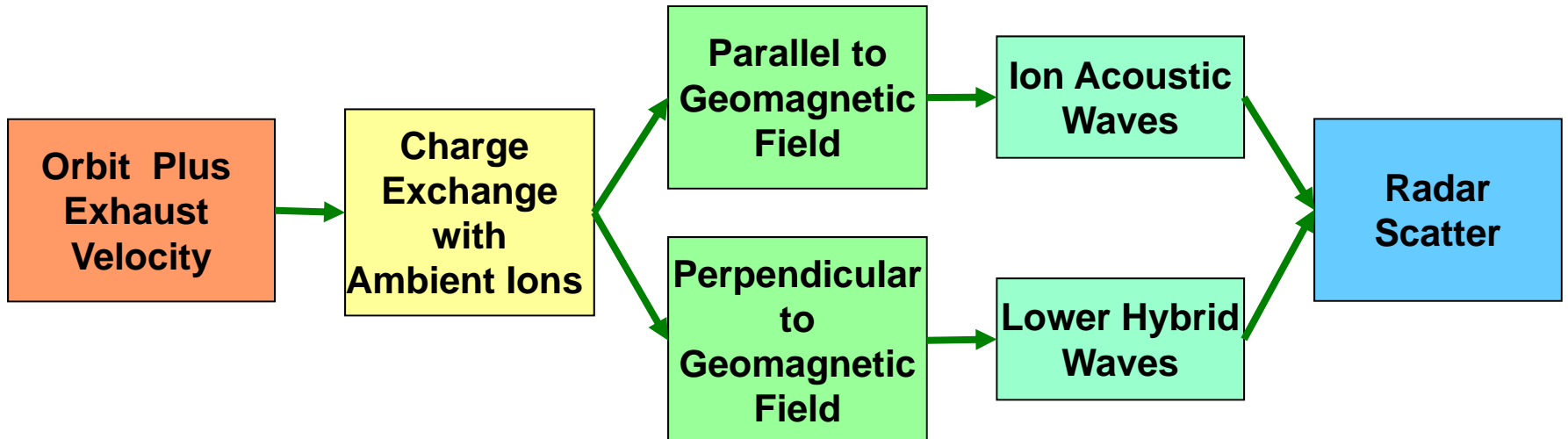
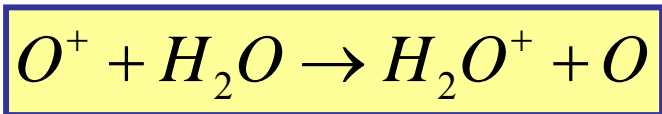
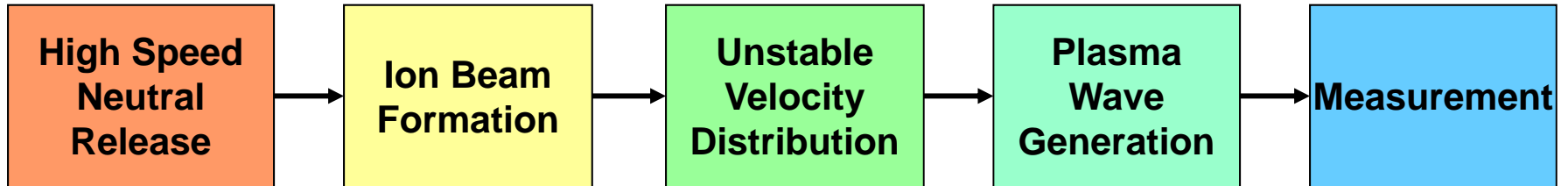


Radar Diagnostics of
Artificial Plasma Turbulence

SHUTTLE IONOSPHERIC MODIFICATION WITH PULSED LOCALIZED EXHAUST *SIMPLEX*

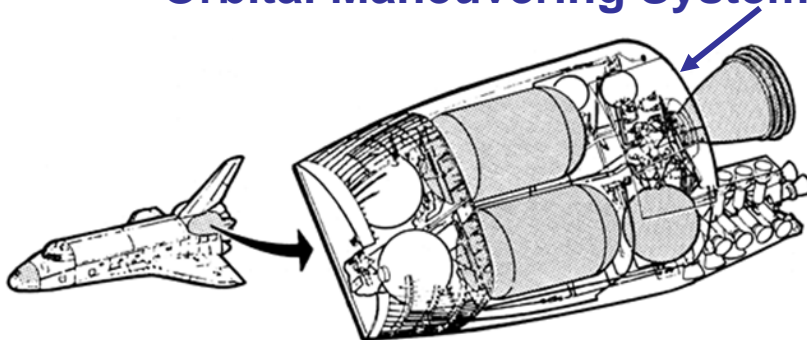


Wave Generation by Chemical Releases: SIMPLEX– Space Shuttle Exhaust



Space Shuttle OMS Engine Exhaust Parameters

Orbital Maneuvering System (OMS)



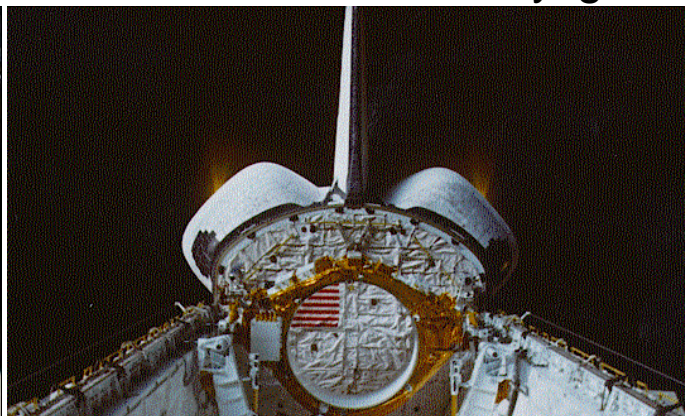
Flow Rate: 2.5×10^{26} Molecules per Second per Engine

Exhaust Species	Mole Fraction
CO	0.050
CO ₂	0.122
H ₂	0.241
H ₂ O	0.274
N ₂	0.313

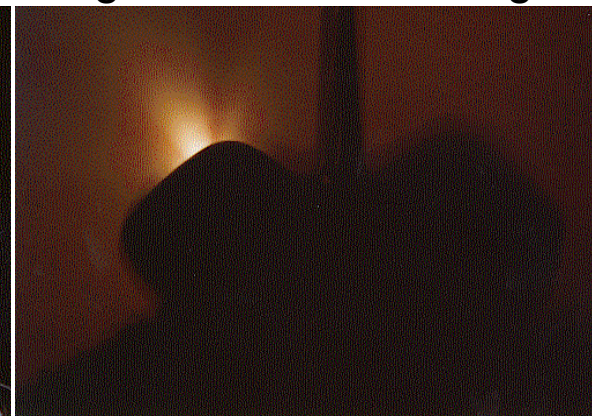
Nonuniform
Dual OMS Burn



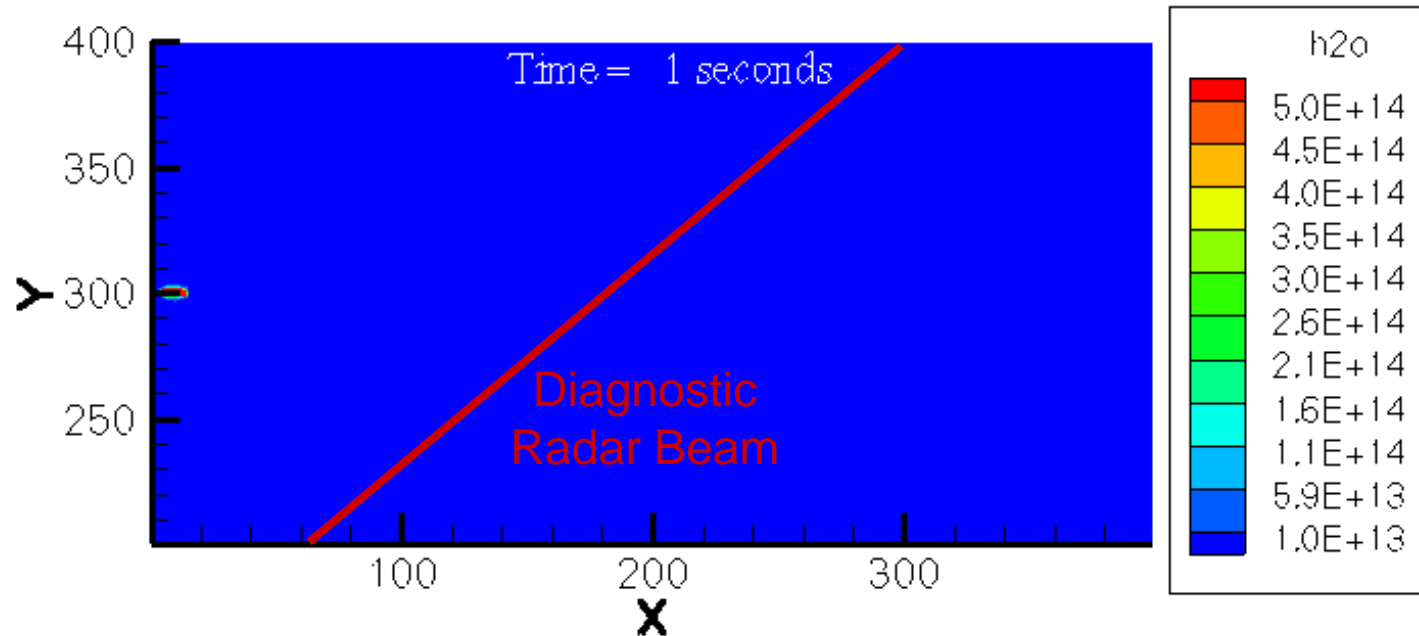
Symmetrical
Dual OMS Burn in Daylight



Single OMS Burn at Night



Neutral Exhaust Flow Across Radar Beam



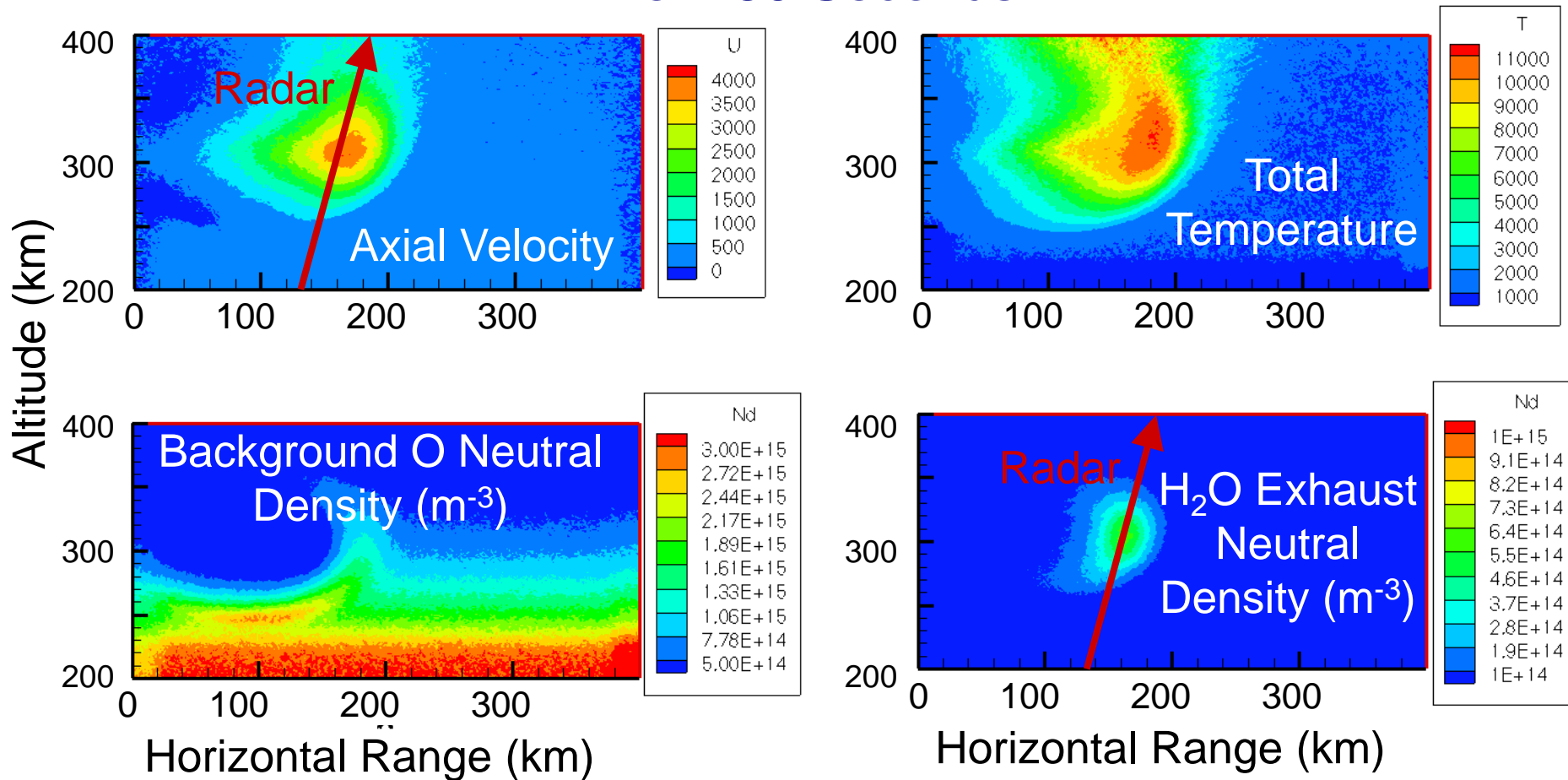
DSMC Calculations of OMS Exhaust

Shuttle Exhaust Release at 300 km altitude

50 10^{25} molecules/s for 10 seconds.

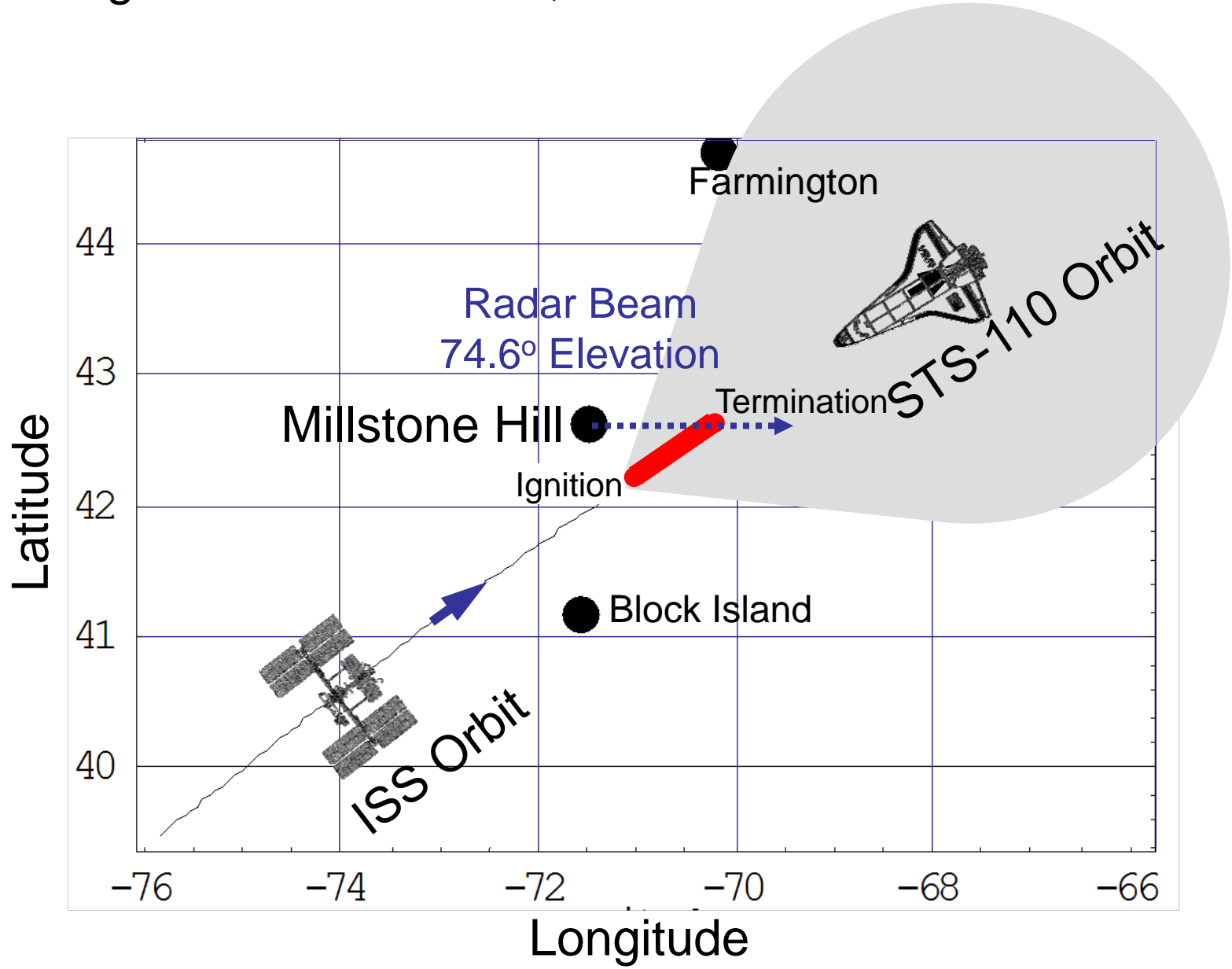
Velocity = 10.75 km/s, H₂O Temperature = 120 K

Time = 30 Seconds

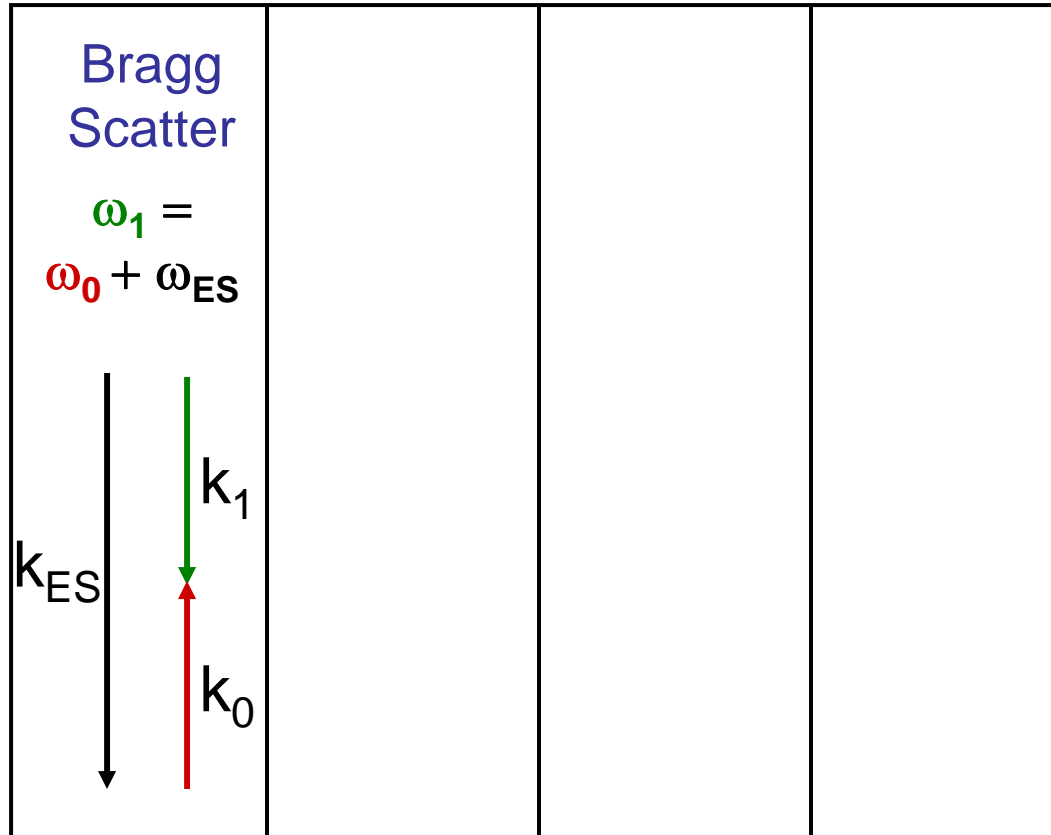


STS-110 Burn Location, 18 April 2002 GMT

Ignition: 17:26:18.95, Termination: 17:26:28.95



Radar Scatter from ES Waves

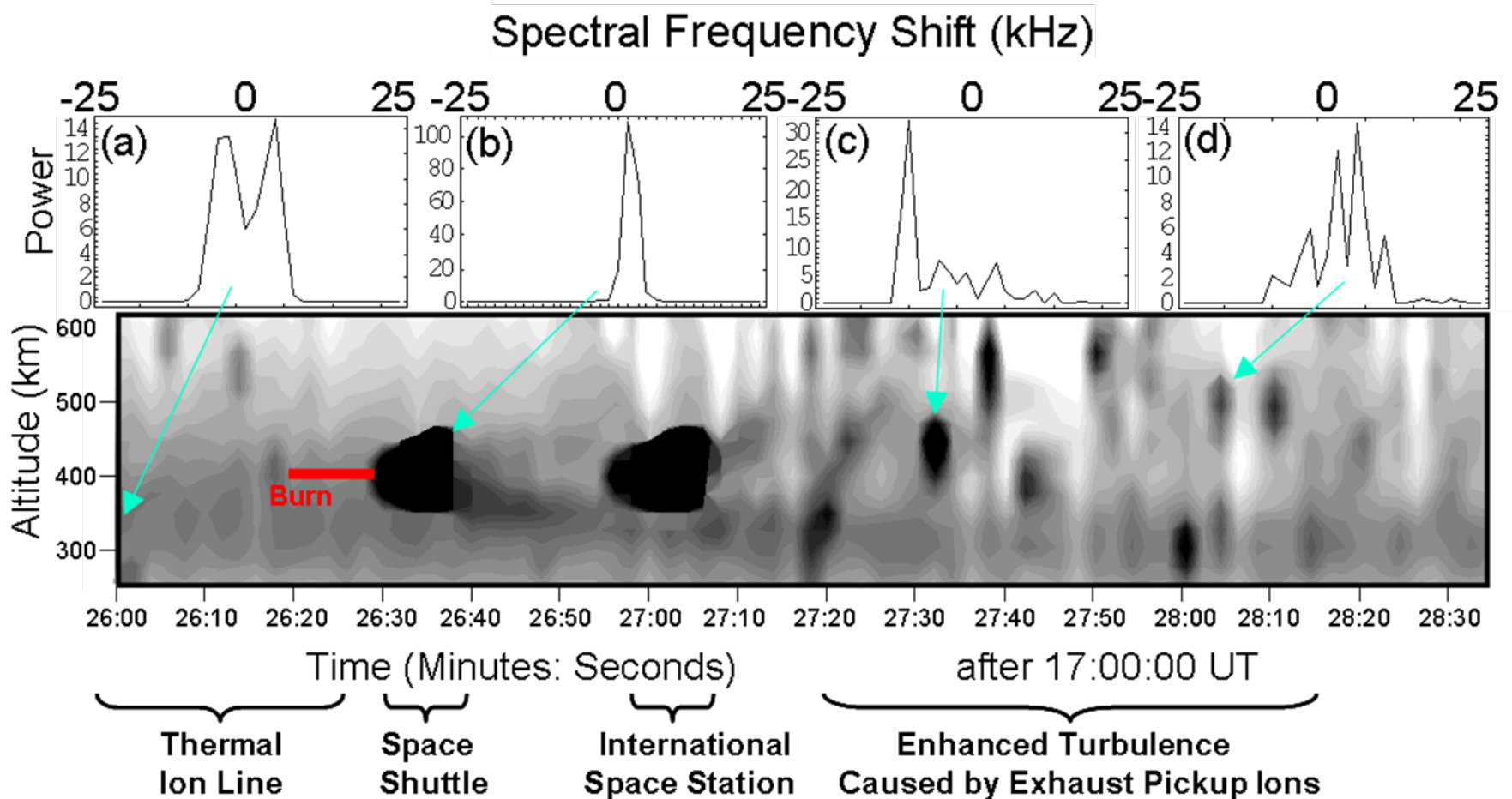


SIMPLEX IV Radar Backscatter

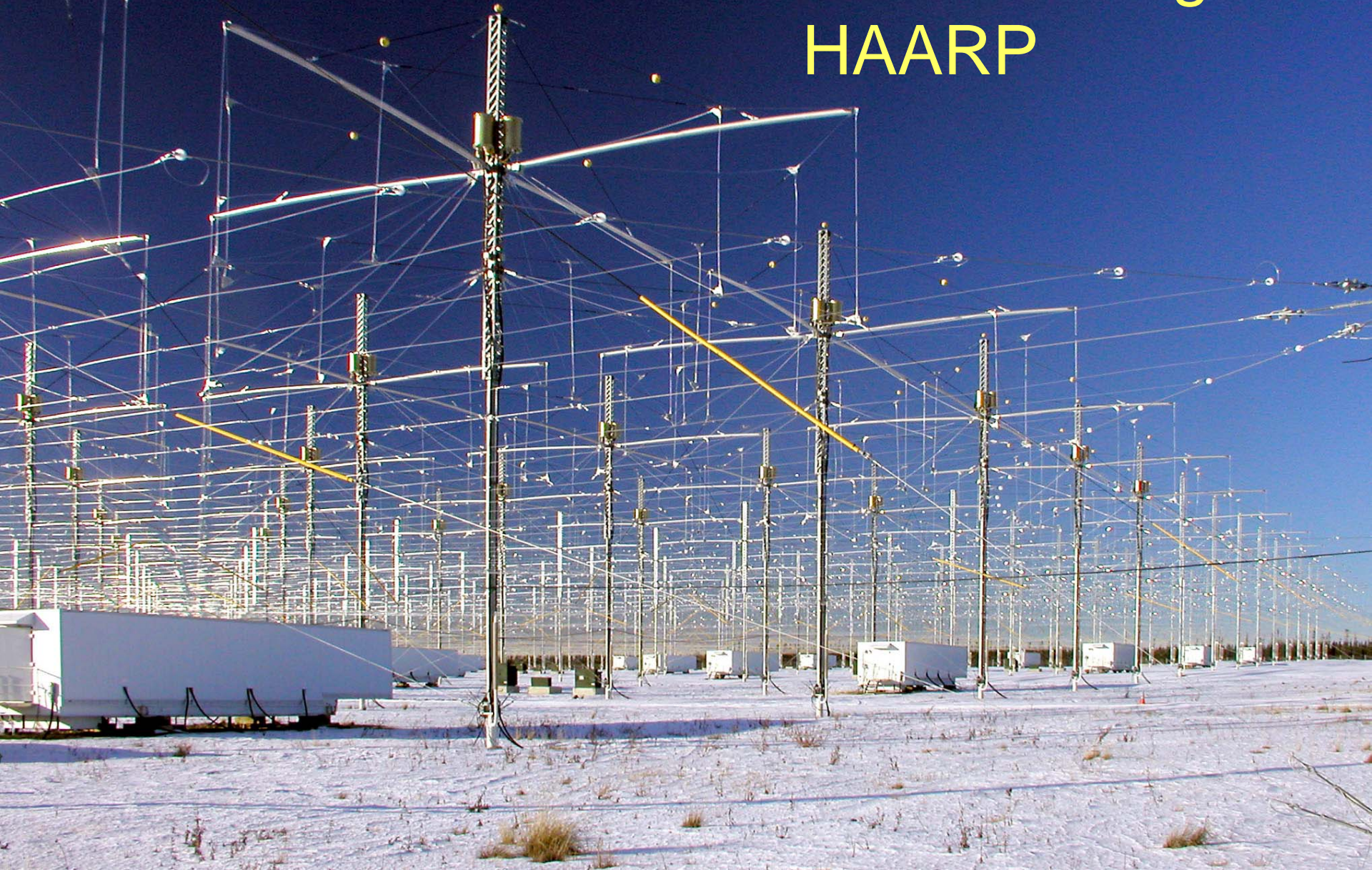
Millstone Hill Radar, 18 April 2002

Burn Time 17:26:19 – 17:26:29 UT

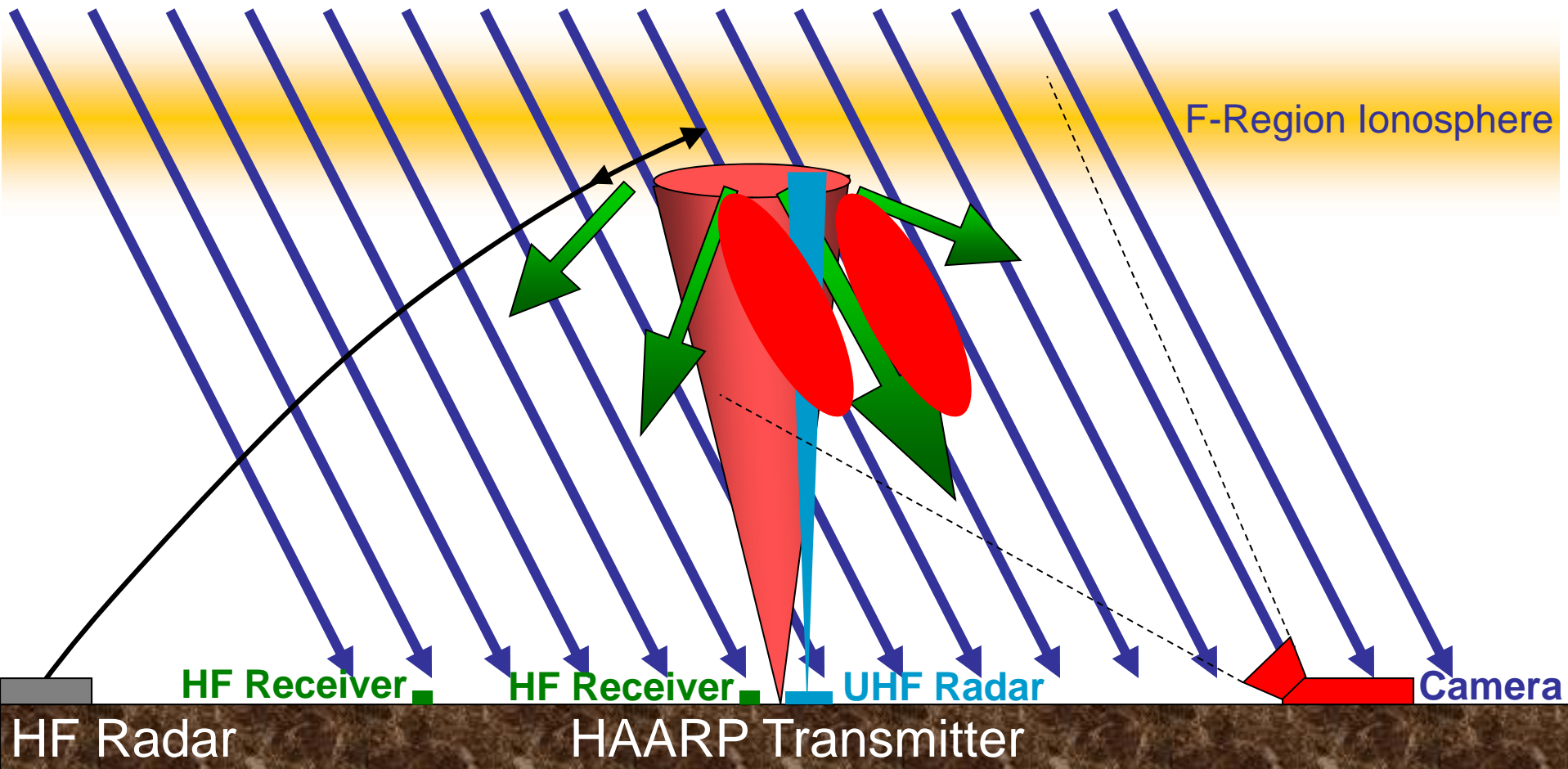
2 Second and 24 km Resolution



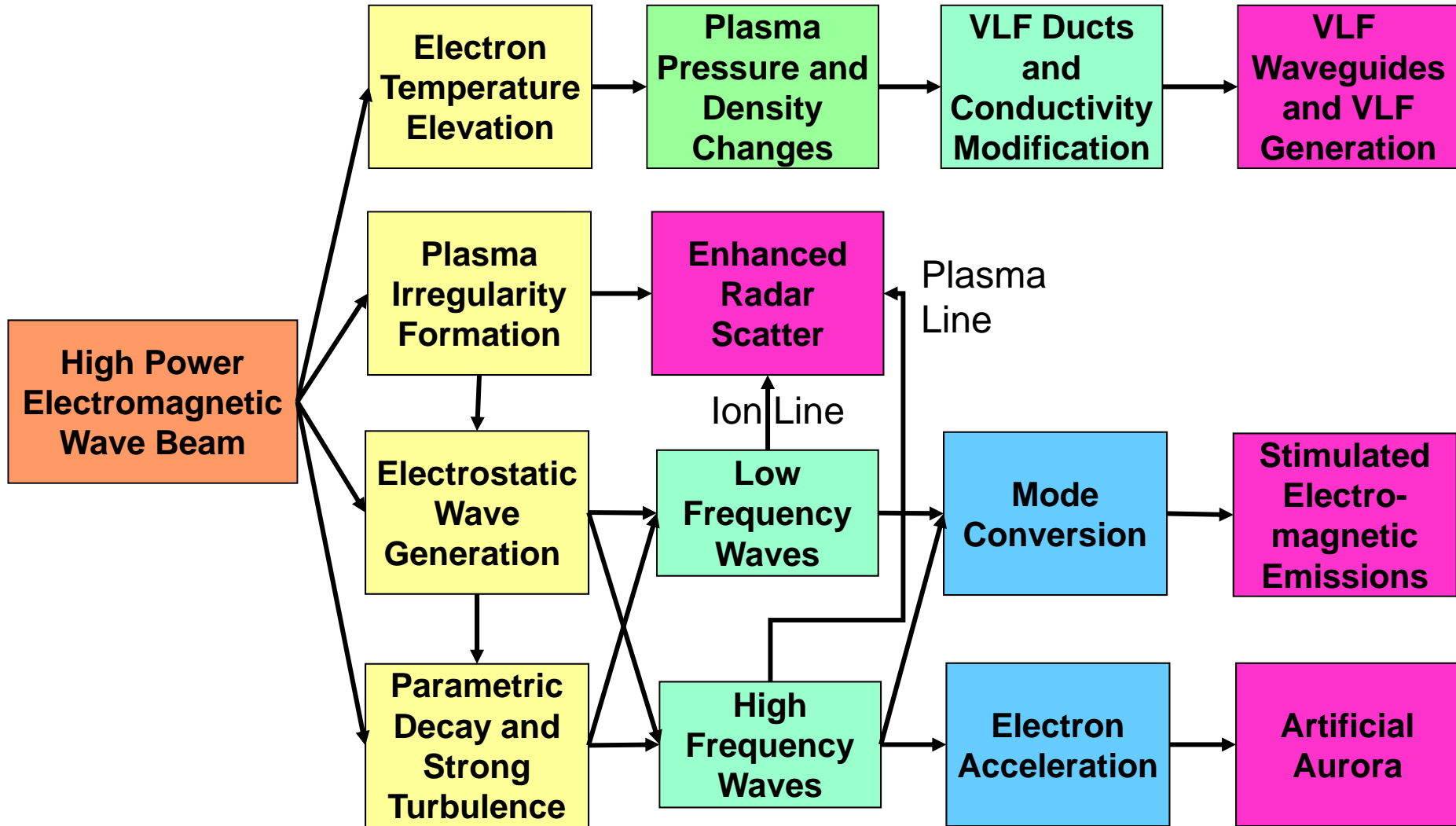
The High Frequency Active Auroral Research Program HAARP



Stimulated Electromagnetic Emissions, Radar Backscatter, Enhanced Plasma Waves and Artificial Aurora



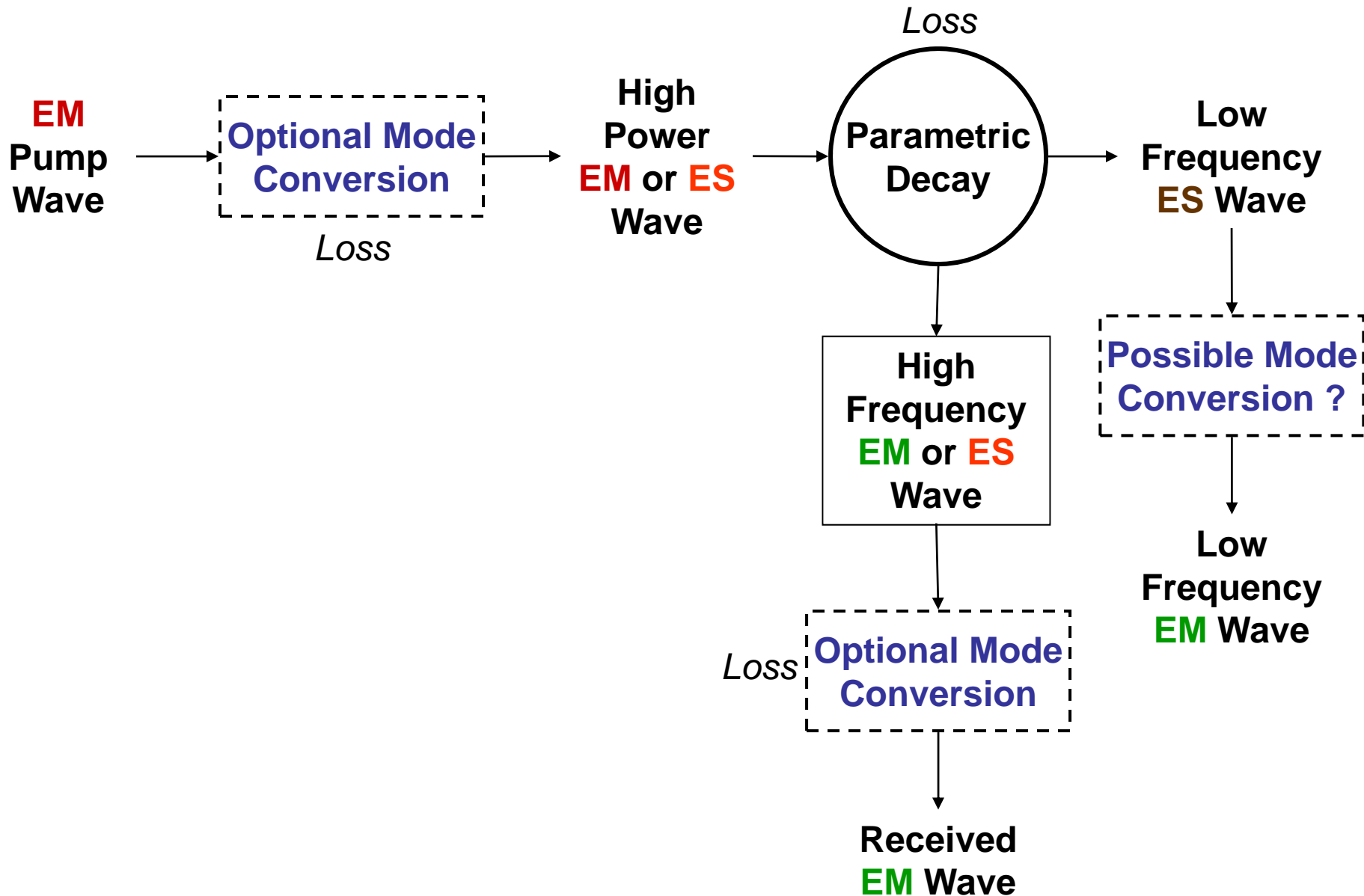
Ionospheric Modification with High Power Radio Waves



Stimulated Electrostatic (ES) Emissions

- Basic Theory
 - Matching Conditions
 - Low and High Frequency Electrostatic Waves
 - Electromagnetic Waves
- Observations
 - Radar Scatter (Enhanced Ion and Plasma Lines)
 - Stimulated Electromagnetic Emissions (SEE)
- Applications of SEE and Radar Scatter
 - Validation of Non-Linear Plasma Interactions
 - Electron Temperature Measurements
 - Altitude Profile of Scattered Electromagnetic Waves

ES and EM Wave Generation



Parametric Decay Instabilities

Parent Wave 0	Daughter Wave 1	Daughter Wave 2	Instability Name	Observed for HF
Electromagnetic Wave	Electron Plasma Wave	Ion Acoustic Wave	Parametric Decay Instability	Yes Radar/SEE
Electron Plasma Wave	Electron Plasma Wave	Ion Acoustic Wave	Electron Decay Instability	Yes Radar/SEE
Electromagnetic Wave	Zero Frequency Electron Wave	Zero Frequency Ion Wave	Oscillating Two-Stream Instability	Yes Radar/SEE
Electromagnetic Wave	Electromagnetic Wave	Ion Acoustic Wave	Stimulated Brillouin Scattering Instability	Yes SEE
Electromagnetic Wave	Electron Plasma Wave	Electron Plasma Wave	Two-Plasma Decay Instability	No
Electromagnetic Wave	Electromagnetic Wave	Electron Plasma Wave	Stimulated Raman Scattering Instability	No
Upper Hybrid Wave	Upper Hybrid Wave	Lower Hybrid Wave	Lower-Hybrid Decay Instability	Yes SEE
Electron Bernstein Wave	Electron Bernstein Wave	Ion Bernstein Wave	Electron Bernstein Decay Instability	Yes SEE

Magnetized ES Waves 

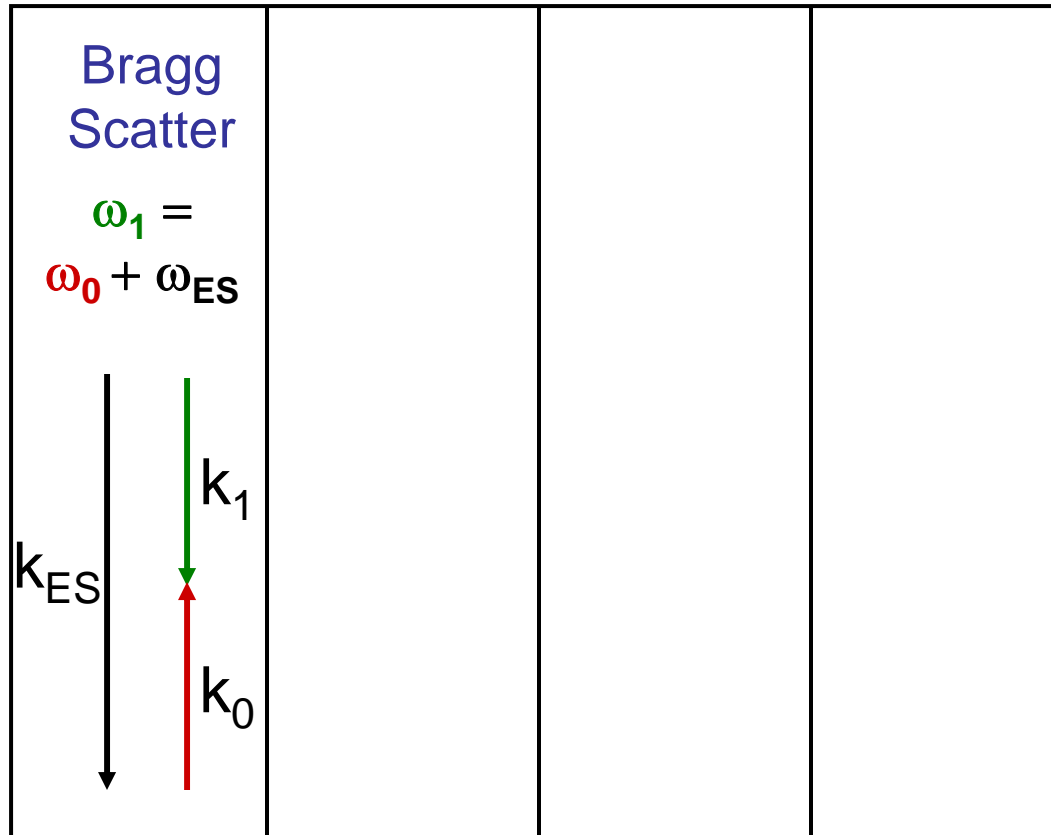
Parametric Decay Instabilities Observed by Radar Scatter

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Electron Plasma Wave	Electron Plasma Wave	Ion Acoustic Wave	Electron Decay Instability	Yes Radar/SEE
Electromagnetic Wave	Zero Frequency Electron Wave	Zero Frequency Ion Wave	Oscillating Two-Stream Instability	Yes Radar/SEE



Radar Scatter from ES Waves

$$\lambda_{ES} = \lambda_0/2$$



Radar Scatter from ES Waves

$$\omega_R + \omega_0$$

Generation of HF (ω_0) Pumped Plasma-Lines and Ion-Lines in Backscatter Radar Spectra (ω_R, k_R)

First, Third, Fifth Order Ion Lines and Plasma Lines

Pump Wave

$$EM_0(\omega_0, \mathbf{k}_0 = 0)$$

PDI

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} EP_1(\omega_0 - \omega_{IAR}, \pm 2\mathbf{k}_R) \\ IA_1(\omega_{IAR}, \mp 2\mathbf{k}_R) \end{array} \right.$$

$$EP_1(\omega_0 - \omega_{IAR}, \pm 2\mathbf{k}_R)$$

PDI

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} EP_2(\omega_0 - 3\omega_{IAR}, \mp 2\mathbf{k}_R) \\ IA_2(2\omega_{IAR}, 4\mathbf{k}_R) \end{array} \right.$$

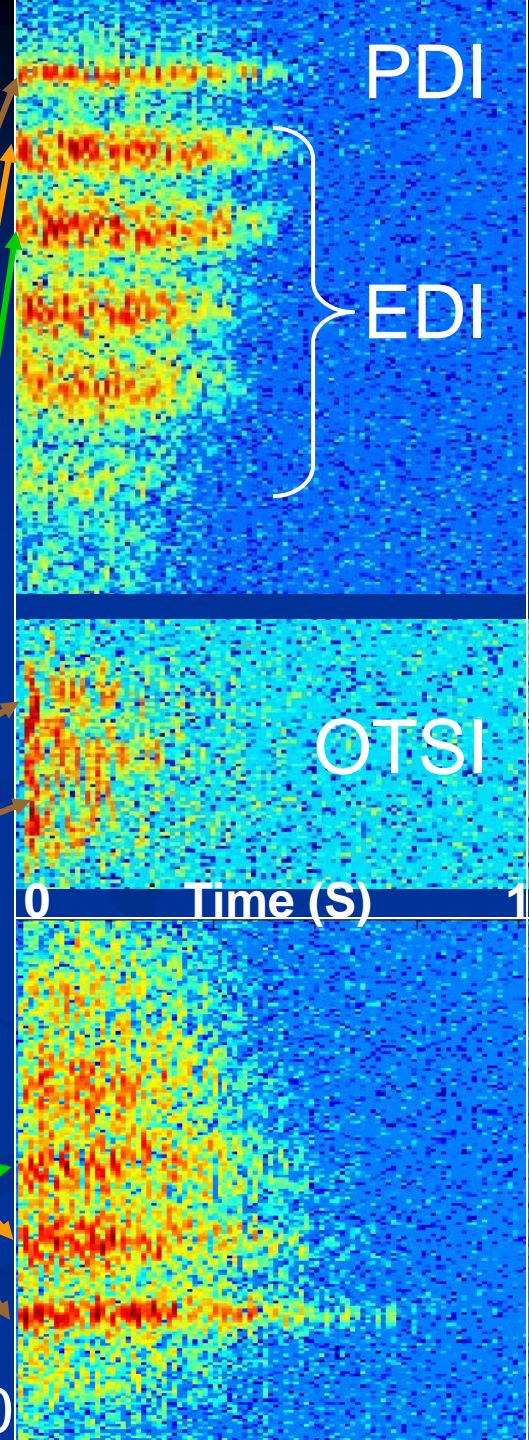
Electrostatic Waves

$$EP_2(\omega_0 - 3\omega_{IAR}, \pm 2\mathbf{k}_R)$$

PDI

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} EP_2(\omega_0 - 5\omega_{IAR}, \mp 2\mathbf{k}_R) \dots \\ IA_2(2\omega_{IAR}, 4\mathbf{k}_R) \end{array} \right.$$

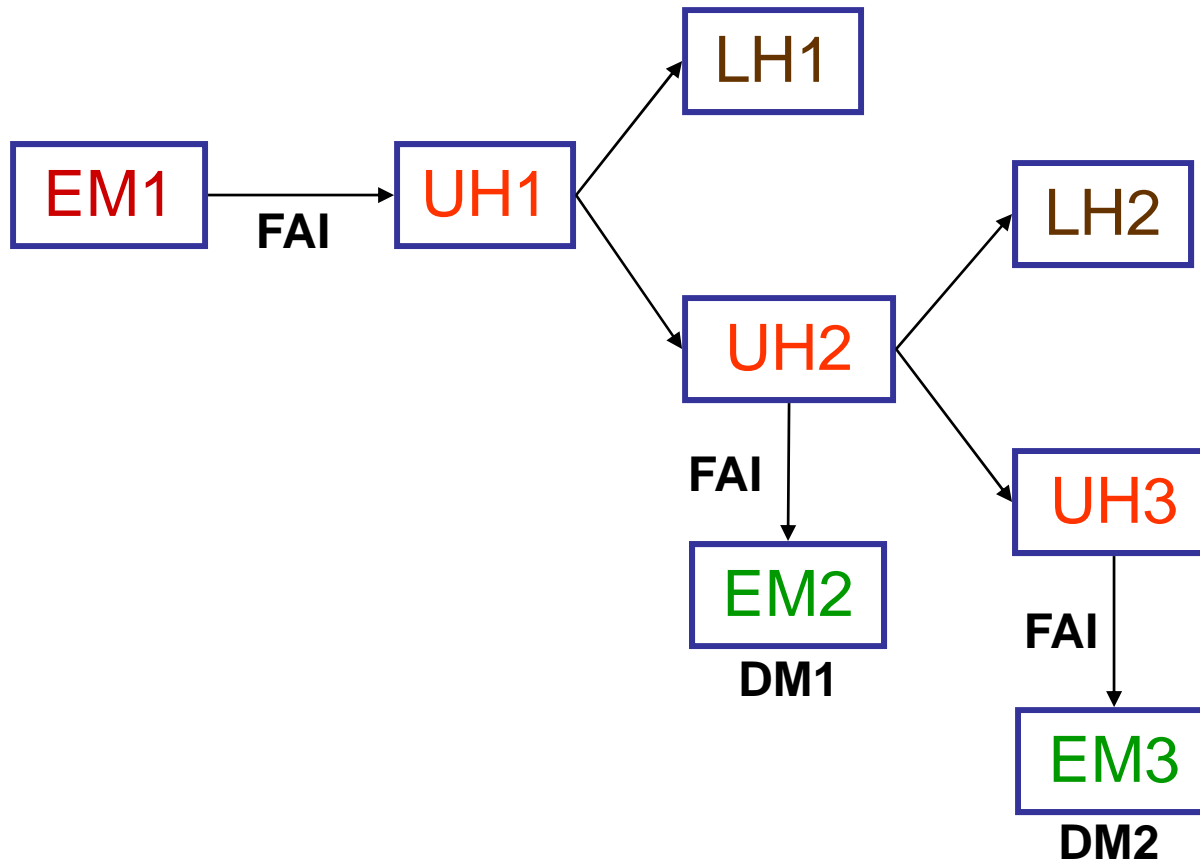
$$\omega_R - \omega_0$$



Parametric Decay Instabilities Observed by Stimulated Electromagnetic Emissions

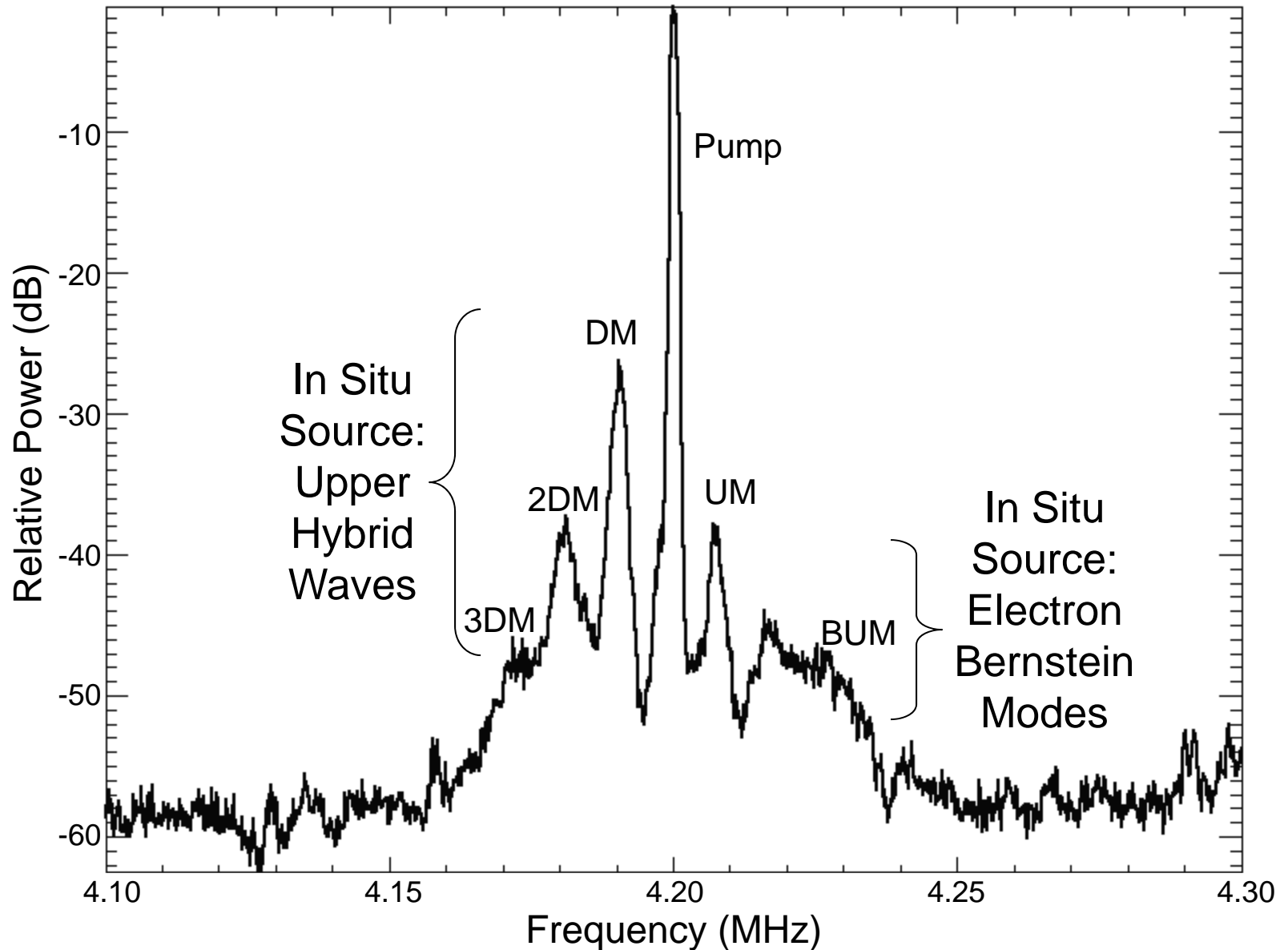
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DM Generation is Complex

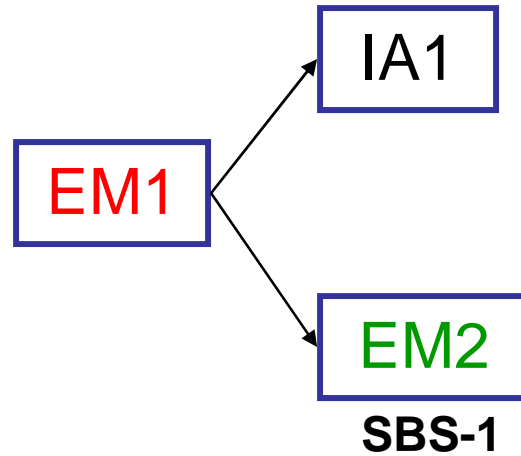


SEE Observations Near the Third Electron Gyro Harmonic

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SBS Generation is Simple



Coupled Wave Equations for Magnetized PDI

- Pump Electromagnetic Wave at Frequency ω_P

$$\frac{\partial^2 F_P^{(0)}(z)}{\partial z^2} + (\omega_P / c)^2 [n_P^{(0)}]^2 F_P^{(0)}(z) = 0$$

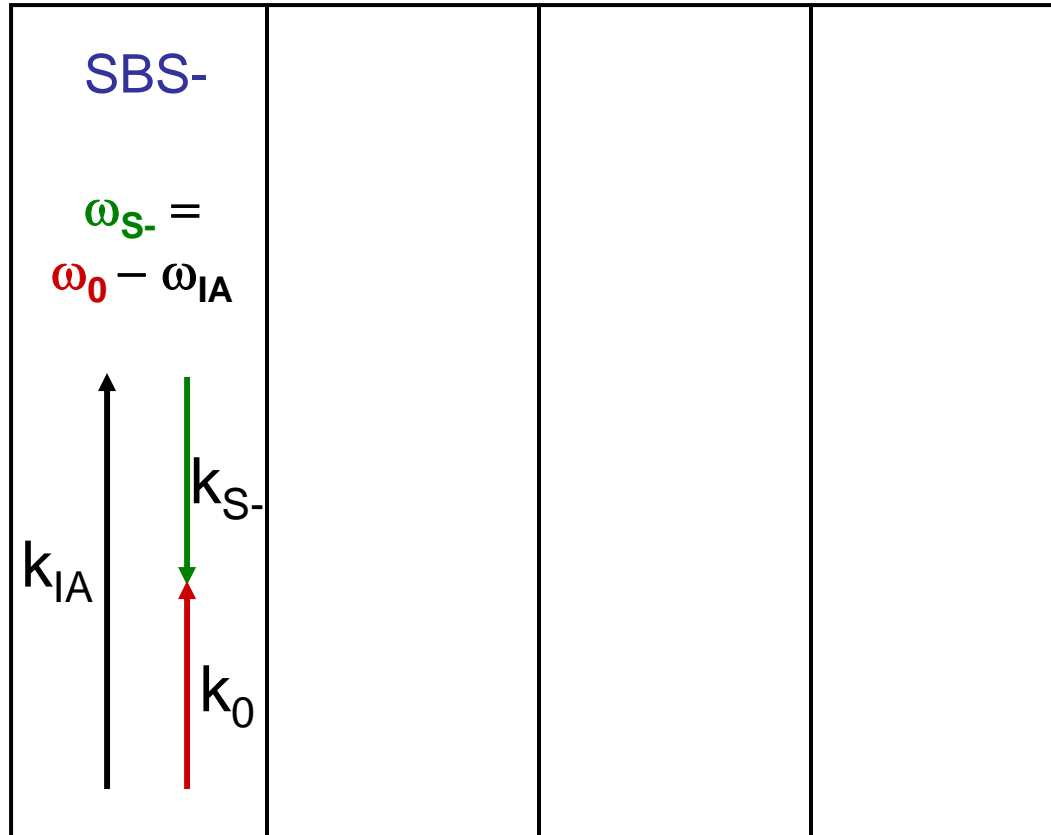
- Scattered Electromagnetic Wave at Frequency ω_S

$$\frac{\partial^2 F_S^{(0)}(z)}{\partial z^2} + (\omega_S / c)^2 [n_S^{(0)}]^2 F_S^{(0)}(z) = -\frac{i(\omega_S / c)^2 (1 - [n_P^{(0)}]^2)}{4\omega_L} \frac{\partial \tilde{v}_{iz}^*}{\partial z} F_P^{(0)}(z)$$

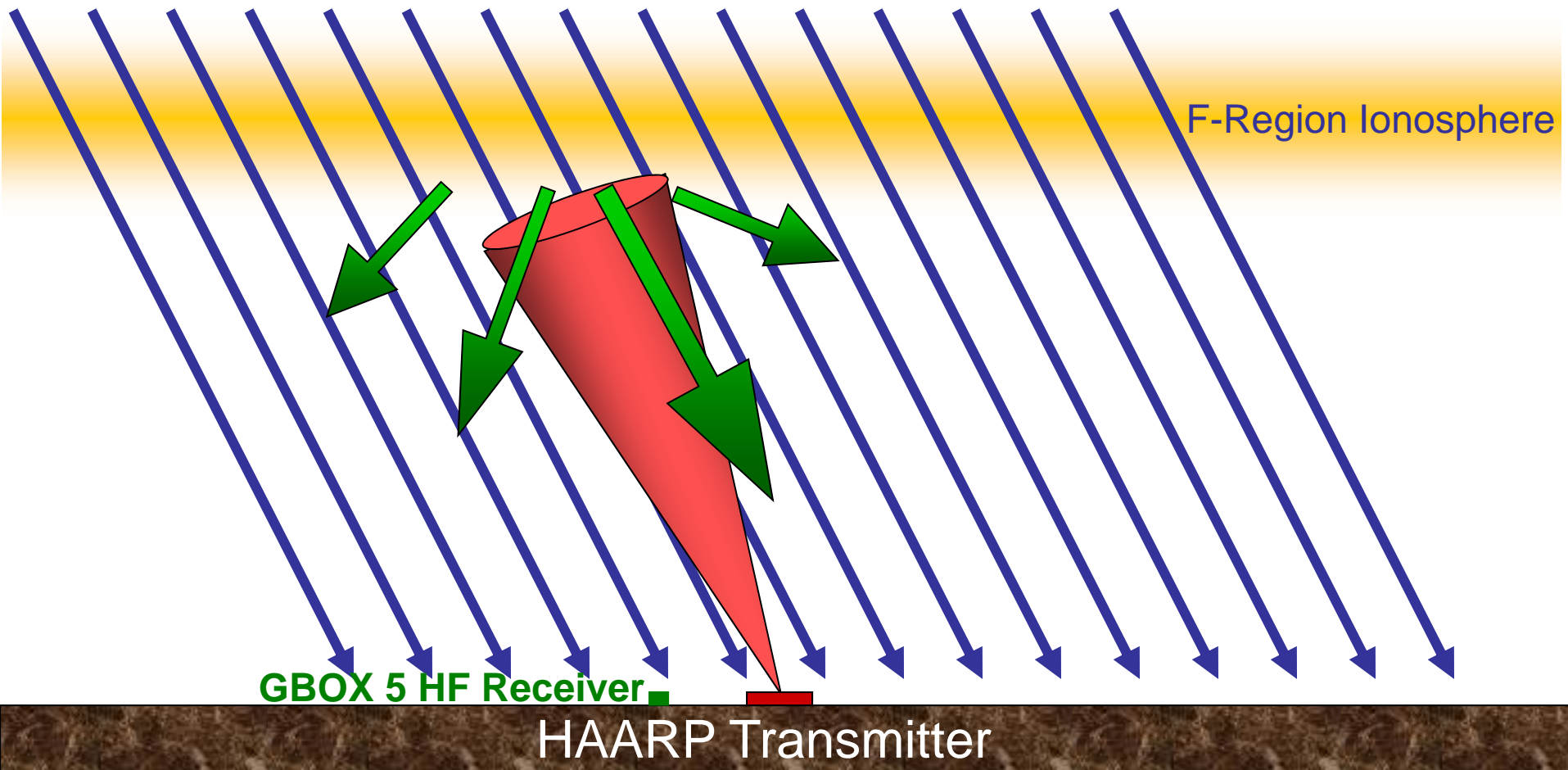
- Scattered Low Frequency IA/EIC Wave at Frequency ω_L

$$\frac{\partial^2 \tilde{v}_{iz}}{\partial z^2} + \frac{U_i \omega_L^2}{c_{IA}^2} \frac{\Omega_i^2 - U_i^2 \omega_L^2}{\Omega_{iz}^2 - U_i^2 \omega_L^2} \tilde{v}_{iz} = \frac{i q_e^2 L_P}{8 c_{IA}^2 m_e m_i \omega_L} \left[\frac{\partial (F_P^{(0)} F_S^{(0)*})}{\partial z} \right]$$

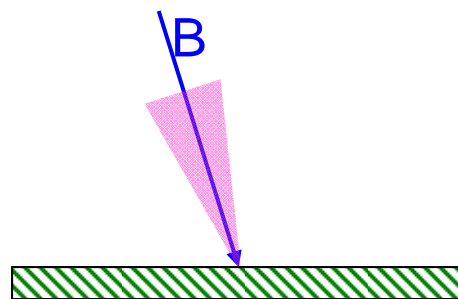
Downshifted and Upshifted Spectral Line Formation by SBS



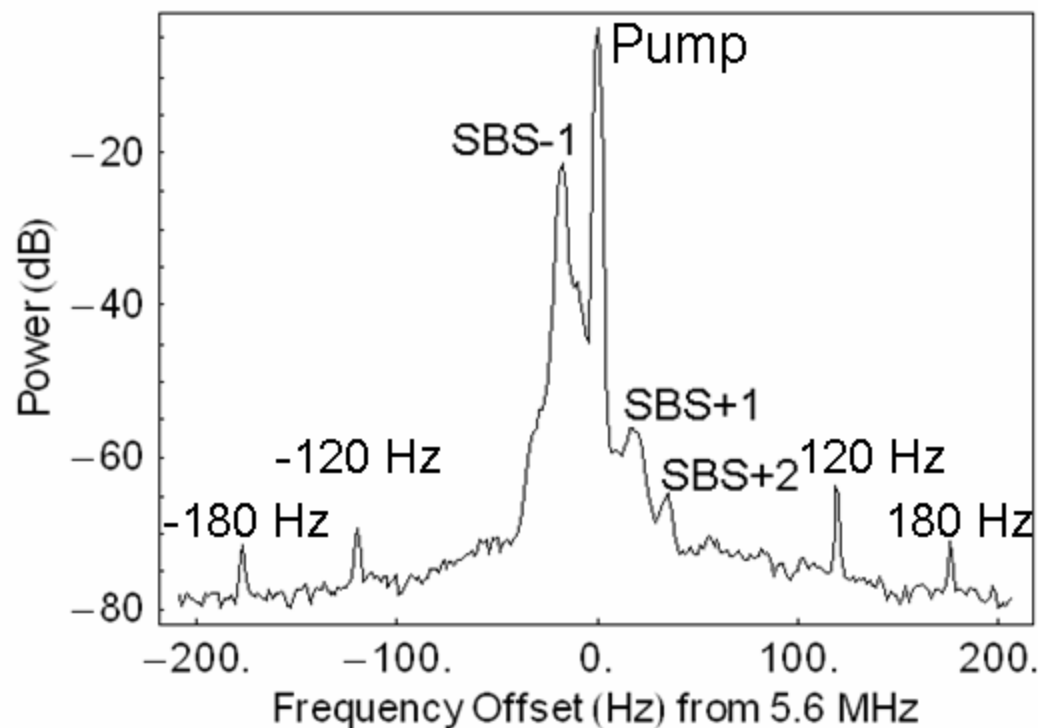
Stimulated Electromagnetic Emissions Measurements Near HAARP with Magnetic Zenith Beam



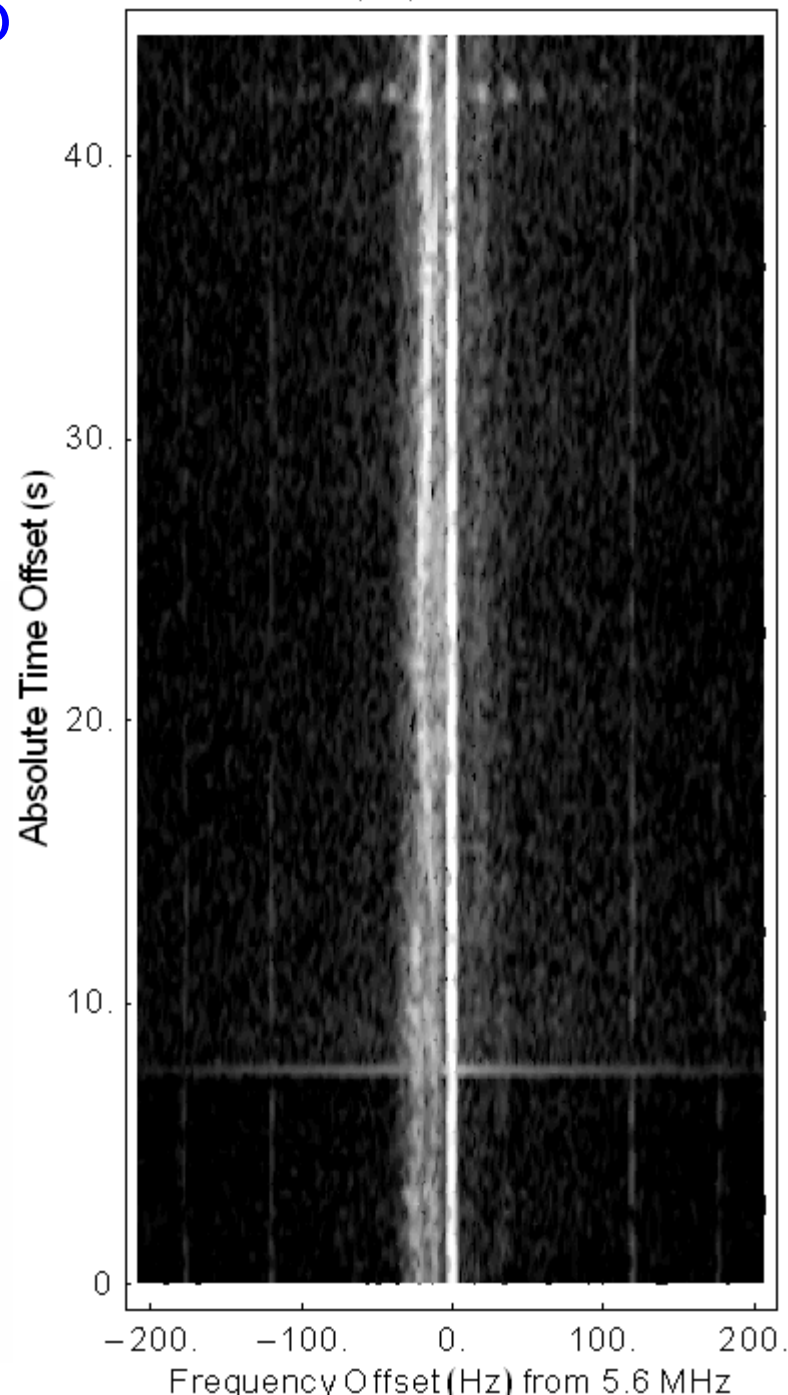
SBS Signals for 5.6 MHz Pump HF Beam at Magnetic Zenith



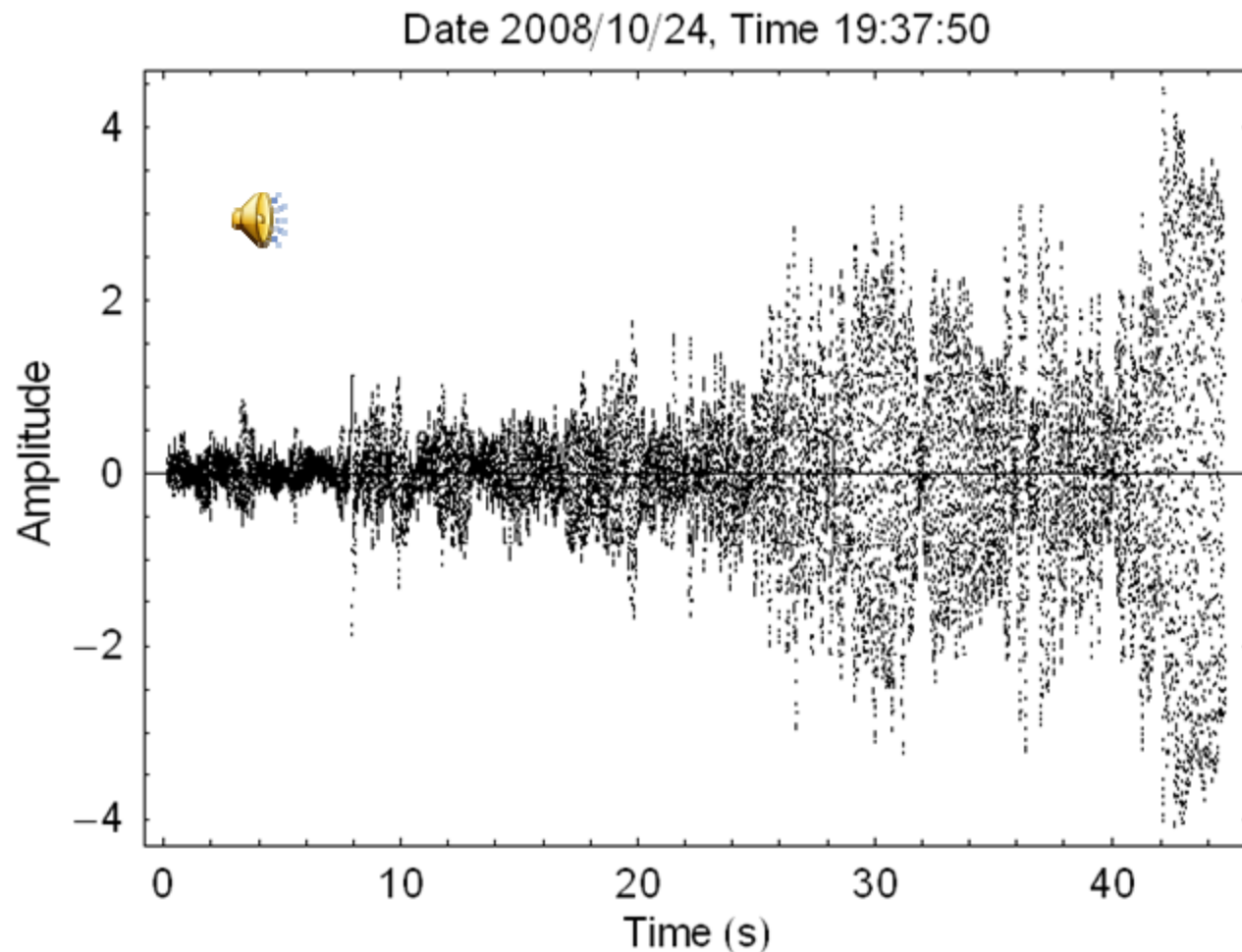
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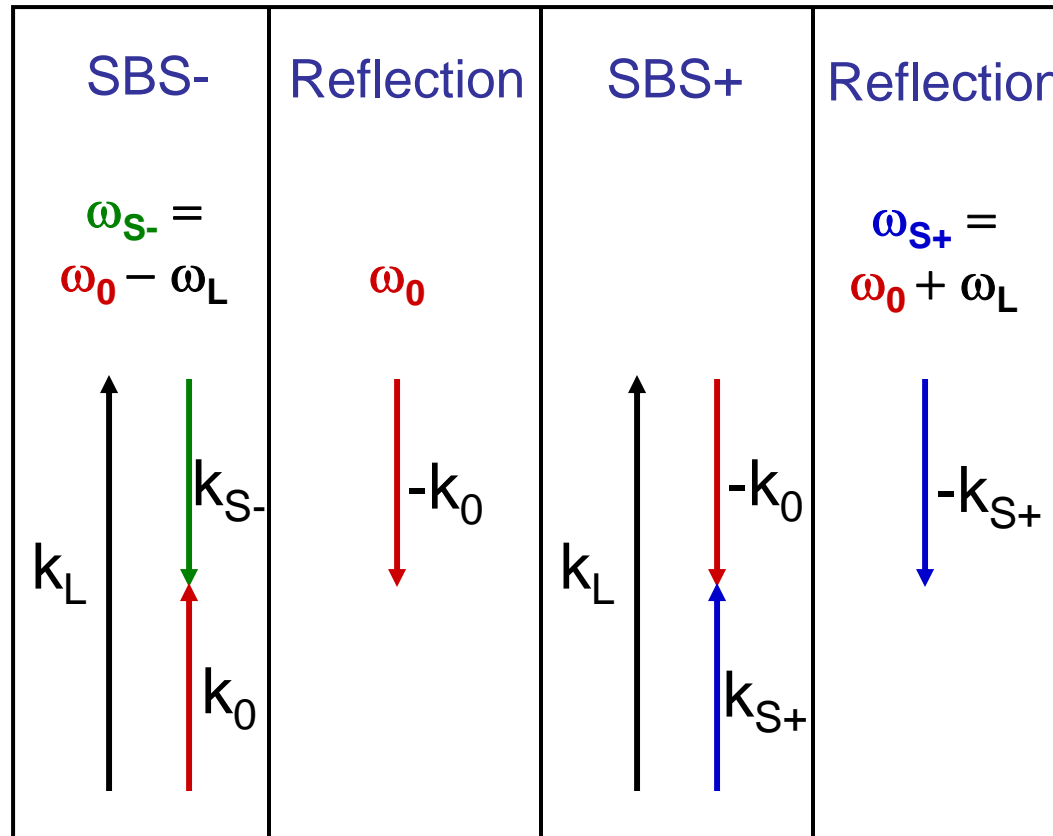
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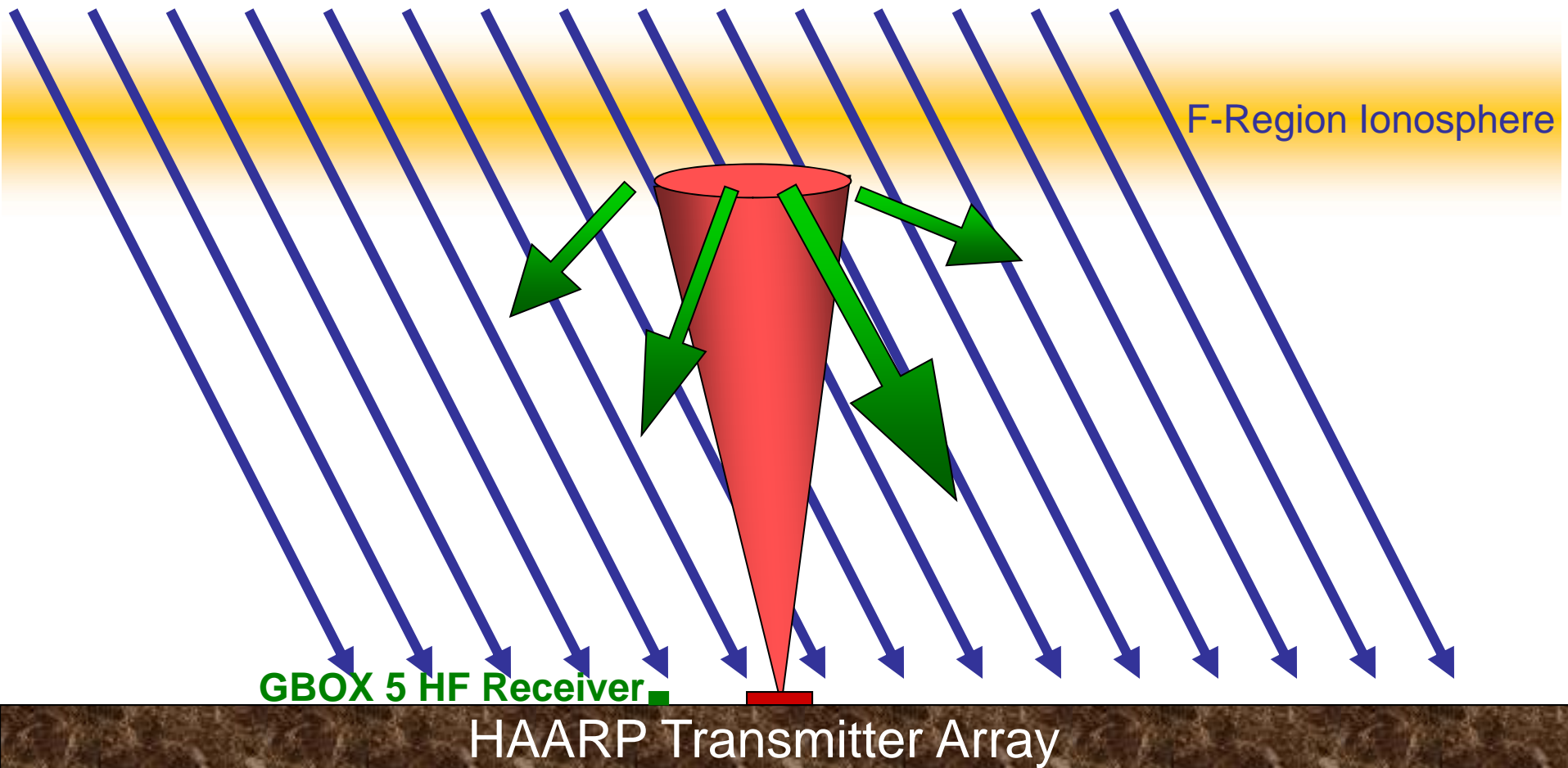
Time Sample of SBS Signal Demodulated from 5.6 MHz Audio Sped Up by Factor of 20



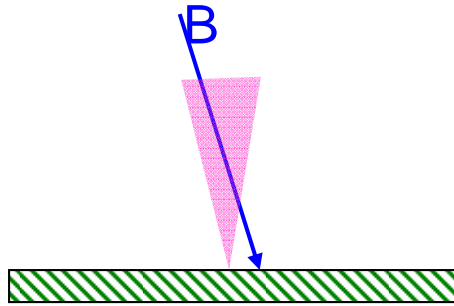
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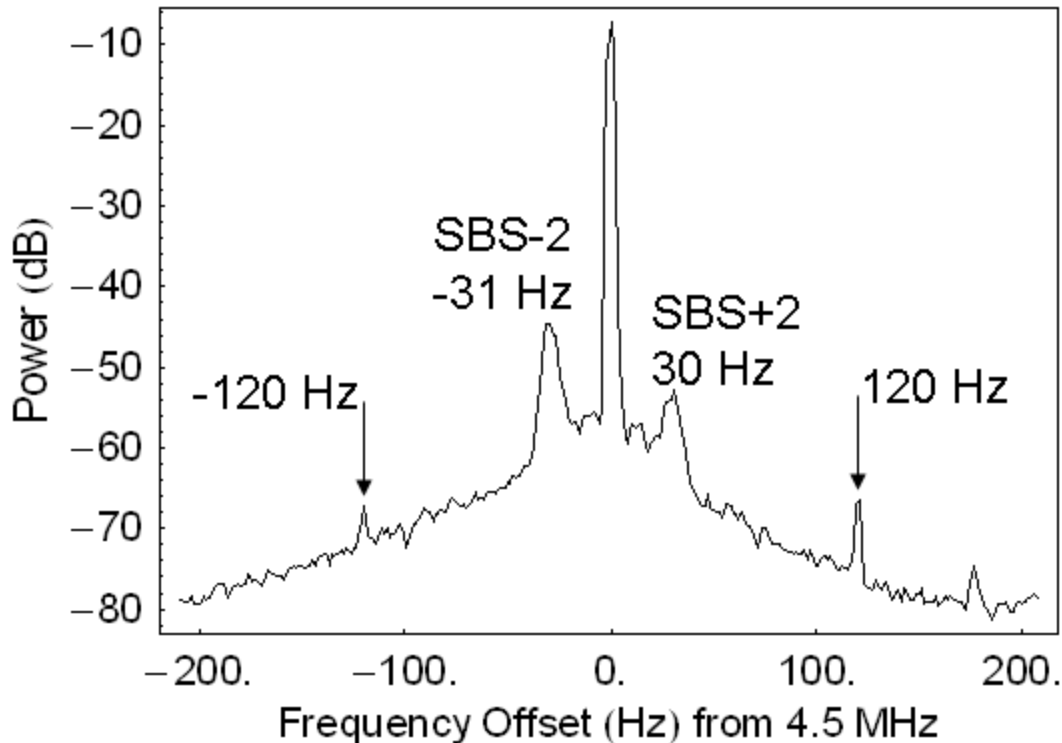
Stimulated Electromagnetic Emissions Measurements Near HAARP with Vertical Beam



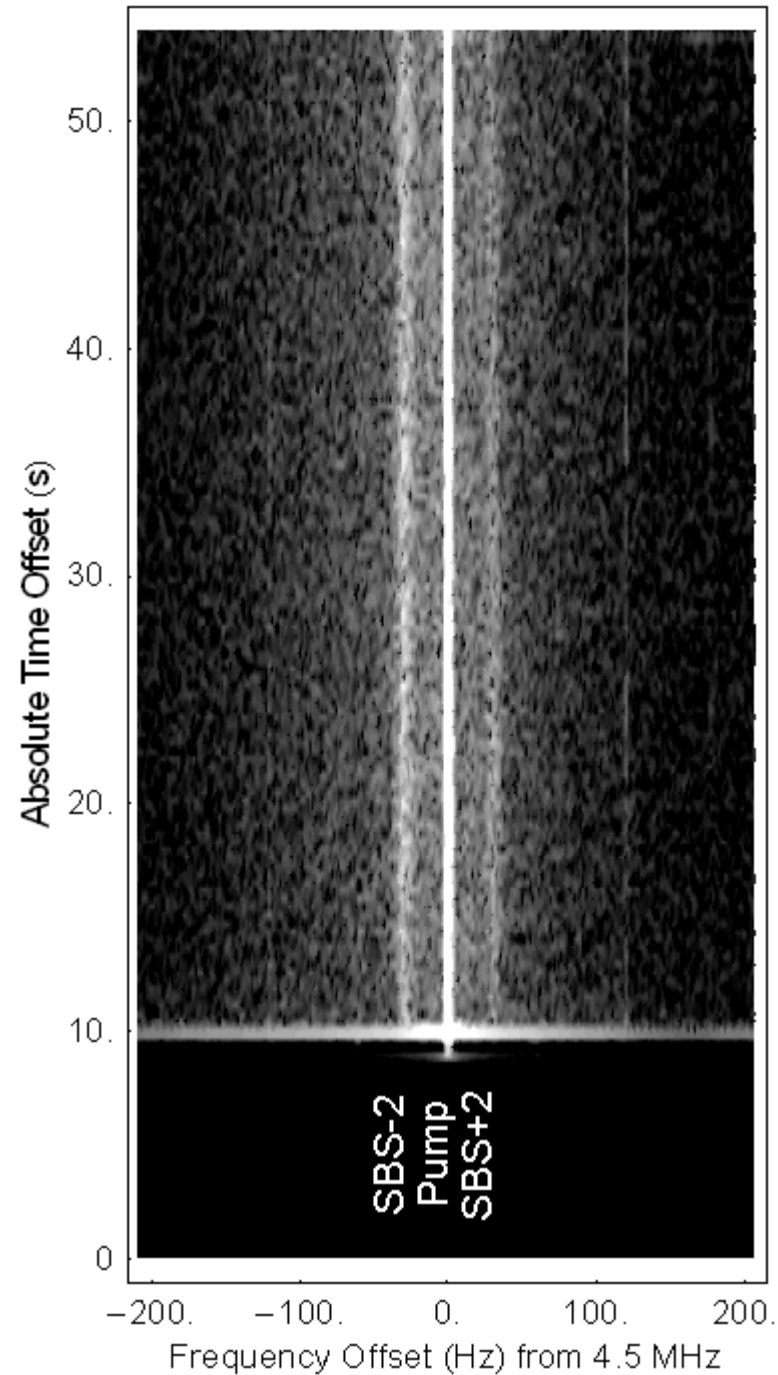
Brillouin Scattering of the 4.5 MHz HAARP Vertical Beam in the Ionosphere



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SBS Matching Condition Theory

- Manley-Rowe Equations

$$\omega_0 = \omega_S + \omega_{IA}$$

$$\mathbf{k}_0 = \mathbf{k}_S + \mathbf{k}_{IA}$$

Ion Sound Speed

$$c_{IA}^2 = \frac{\gamma_e K_B T_e + \gamma_i K_B T_i}{m_i}$$

- Ion Acoustic/Electrostatic Ion Cyclotron Wave Dispersion

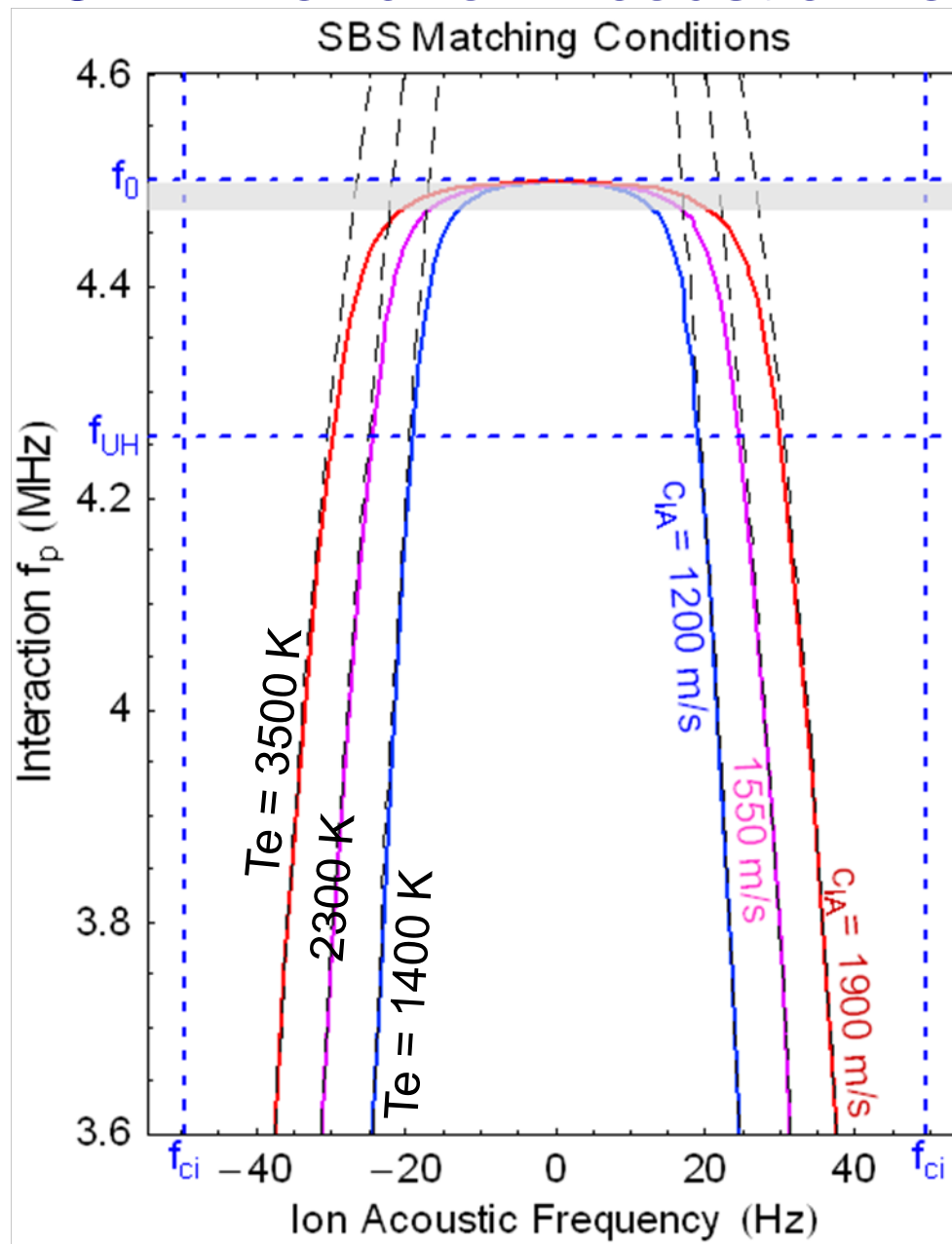
$$\omega_{IA}^4 - (\Omega_i^2 + k_{IA}^2 c_{IA}^2) \omega_{IA}^2 + \Omega_i^2 k_{IA}^2 c_{IA}^2 \cos^2 \theta = 0$$

- Electromagnetic Wave Dispersion

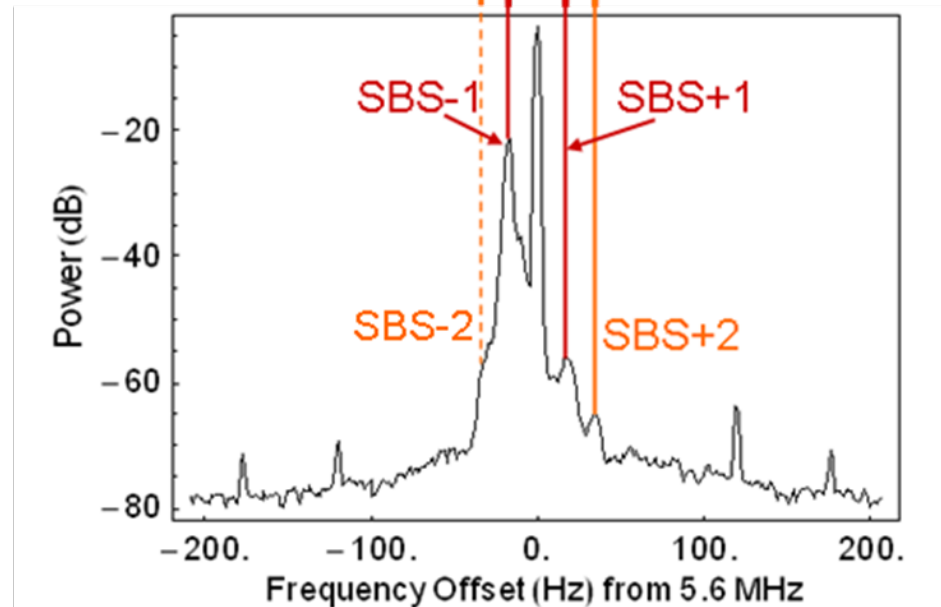
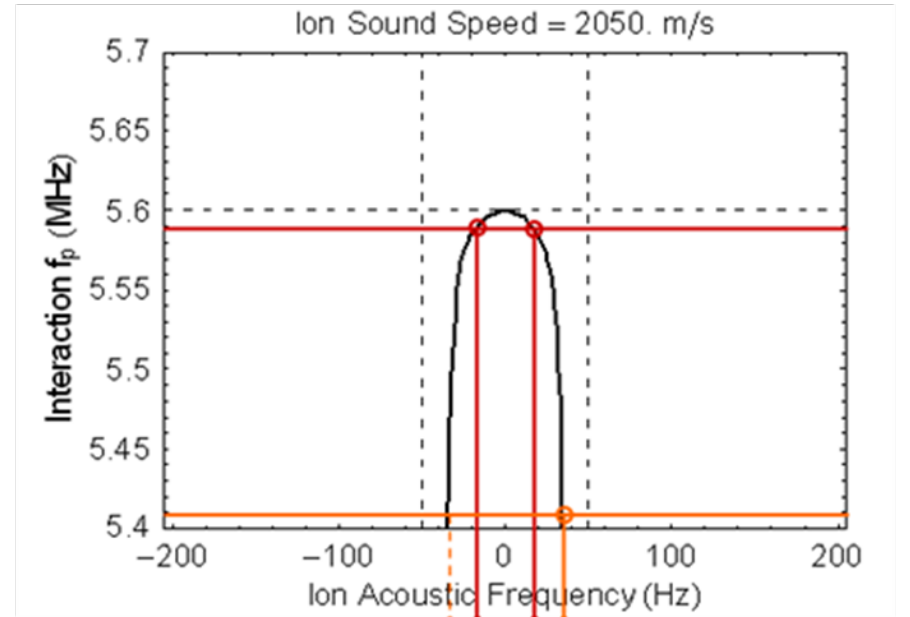
(+ for O-Mode, – for X-Mode)

$$\frac{2(\omega_{0,S}^2 - \omega_p^2)\omega_p^2}{\omega_{0,S}^2 - k_{0,S}^2 c^2} = \left(2(\omega_{0,S}^2 - \omega_p^2) - \Omega_e^2 \sin^2 \theta \pm \sqrt{\frac{4(\omega_{0,S}^2 - \omega_p^2)^2 \Omega_e^2 \cos^2 \theta}{\omega_{0,S}^2} + \Omega_e^4 \sin^4 \theta} \right)$$

SBS Matching Conditions for O-Mode HF Waves at 4.5 MHz and Ion Acoustic Waves

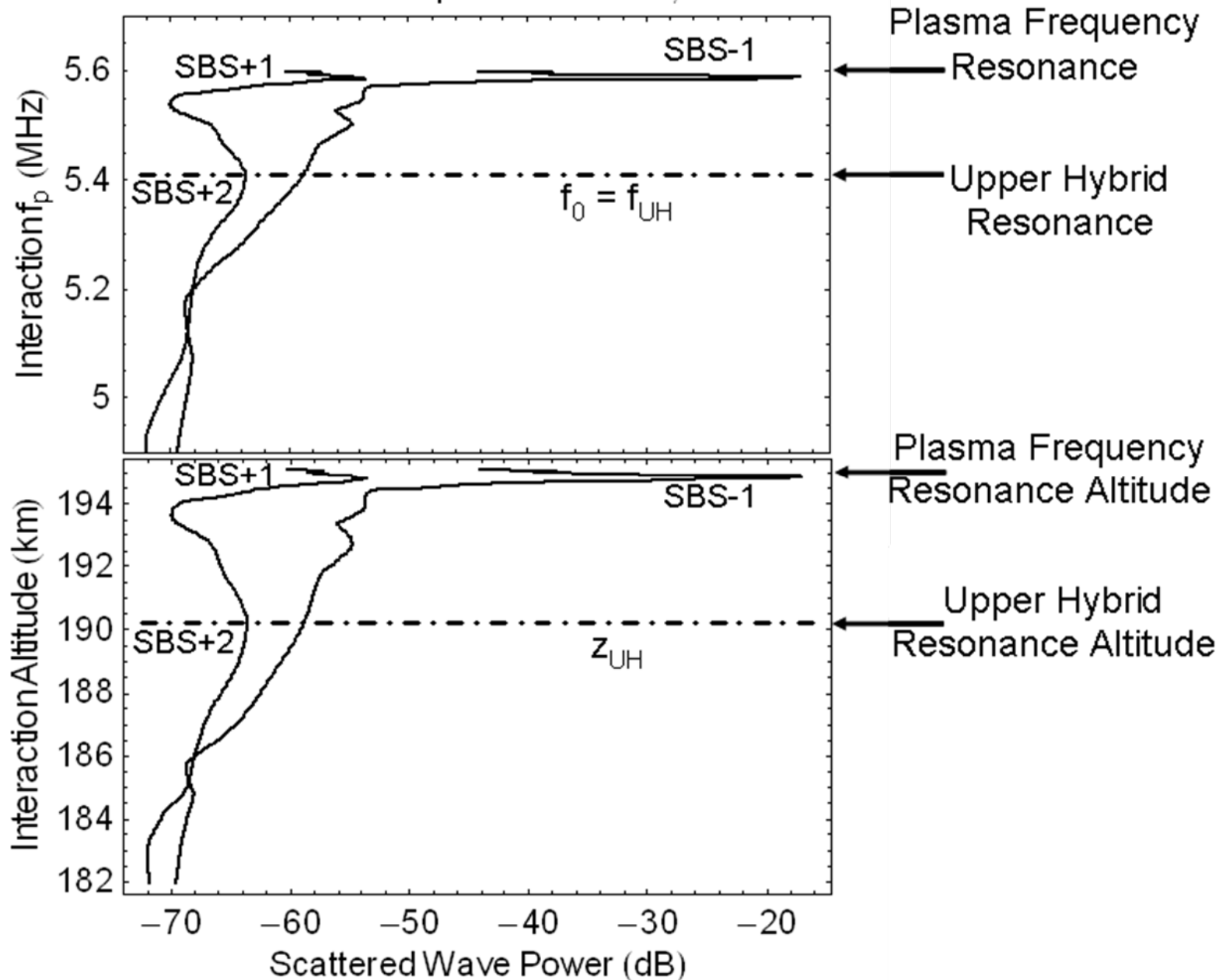


Mapping of the SBS EM Scatter Lines to the Source Altitude for the 5.6 MHz SEE Signal



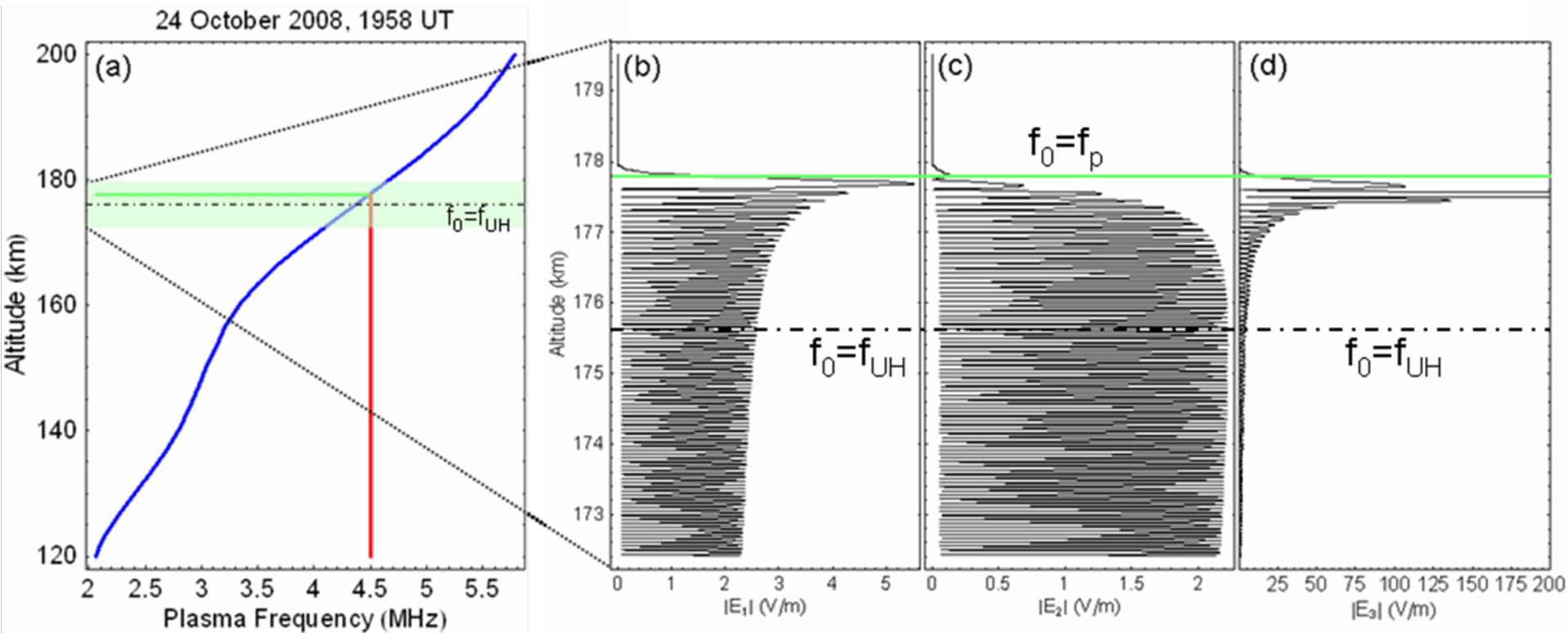
Scattered SBS EM Wave Profile for 5.6 MHz Pump at the Magnetic Zenith with 3.6 MW Transmitter Power (1.66 GW ERP)

Ion Sound Speed = 2050. m/s



Full Wave Solution for EM Pump Wave at 4.5 MHz in the Ionosphere Over HAARP

Maximum Value for $|E_3| = 2145$ V/m



Determination of Electron Temperature at UH Resonance Altitude

24 October 2008

- Assumptions

$$T_e \cong 3 T_i$$

Ω_e, Ω_i known

$$\omega_0 = (\omega_p + \Omega_e)^{1/2}$$

Time (UT)	19:48		19:58	
Line	SBS-2	SBS+2	SBS-2	SBS+2
f_{IA} (Hz)	-30.56	30.56	-29.17	27.78
T_e (K)	3506	3506	3176	2866

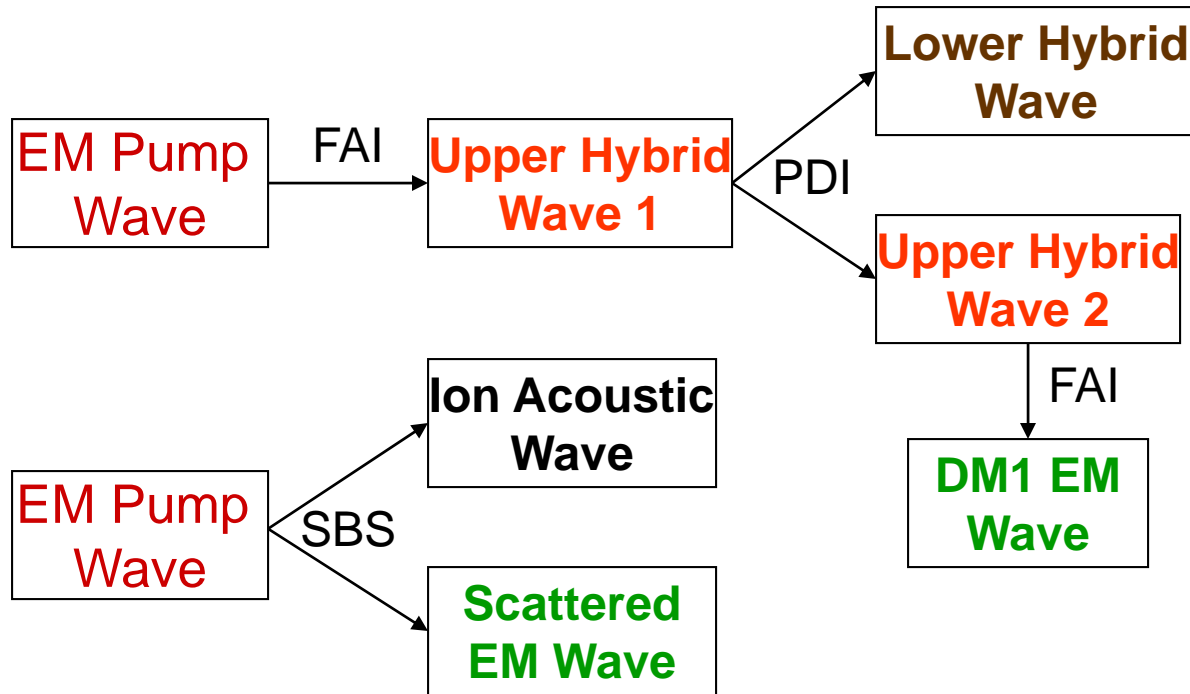
- Ion Acoustic Speed

$$c_{IA} = \sqrt{\frac{\gamma_e T_e + \gamma_i T_i}{m_i}} \quad \text{where } \gamma_e = 1 \text{ and } \gamma_i = 3$$

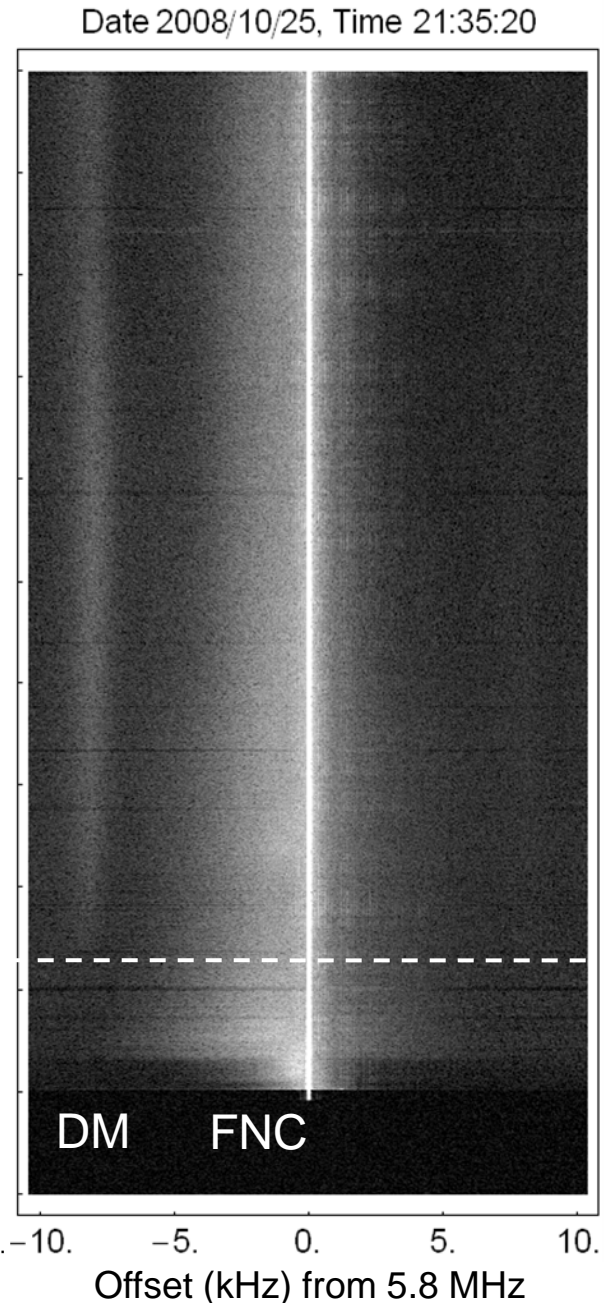
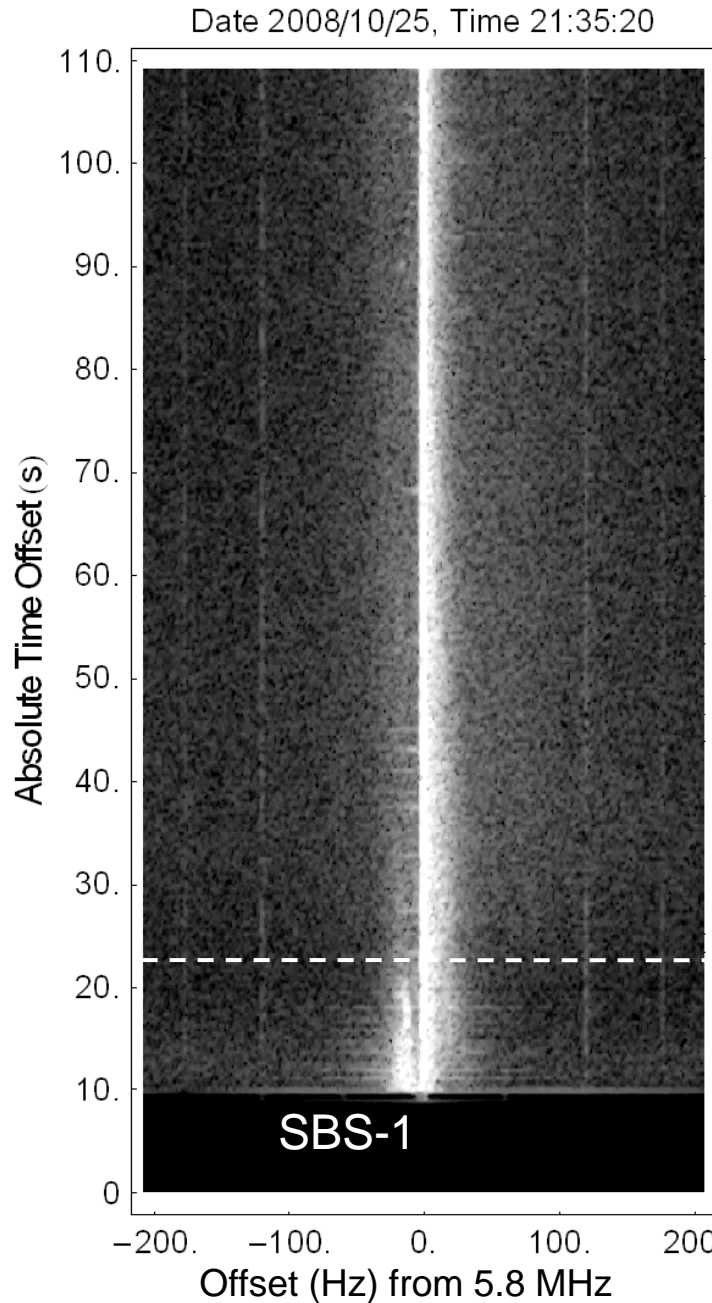
- QL Solution

$$T_e = \frac{m_i c^2 \omega_{IA}^2}{(\gamma_e + \gamma_i / 3) 4 \Omega_e \omega_0} \frac{\Omega_i^2 - \omega_0^2}{\Omega_i^2 \cos^2 \theta - \omega_0^2} \frac{\omega_0 + \Omega_e \cos \theta}{\omega_0 \cos \theta + \Omega_e}$$

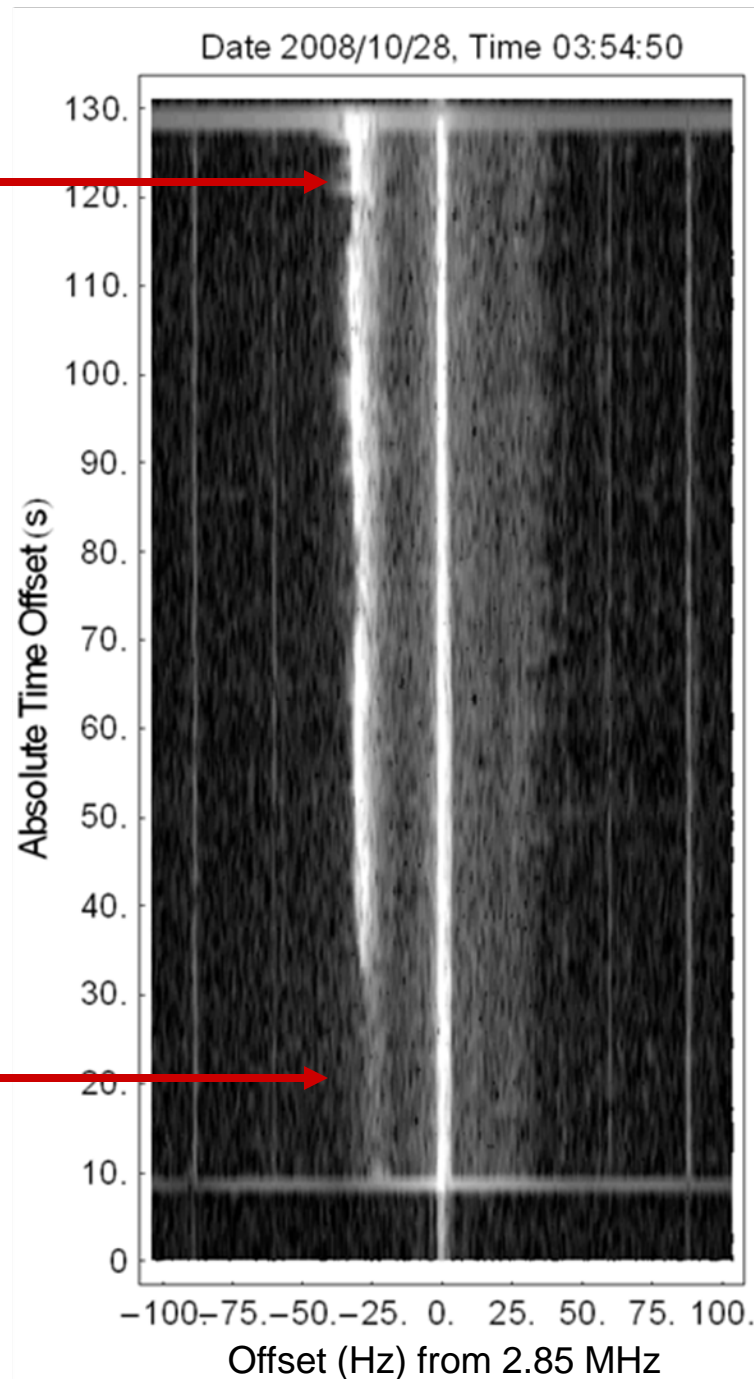
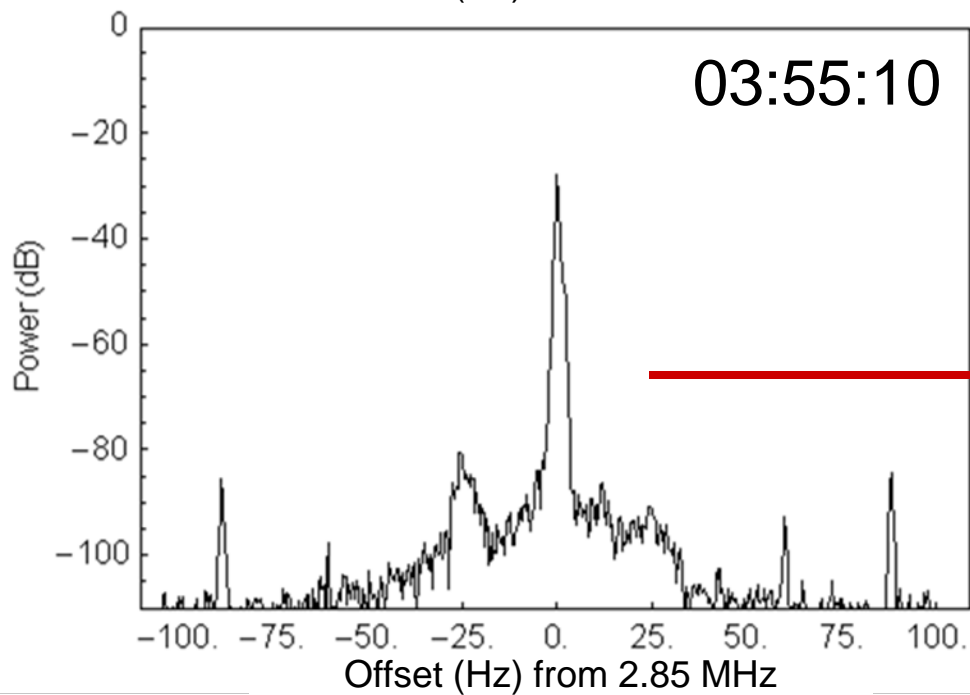
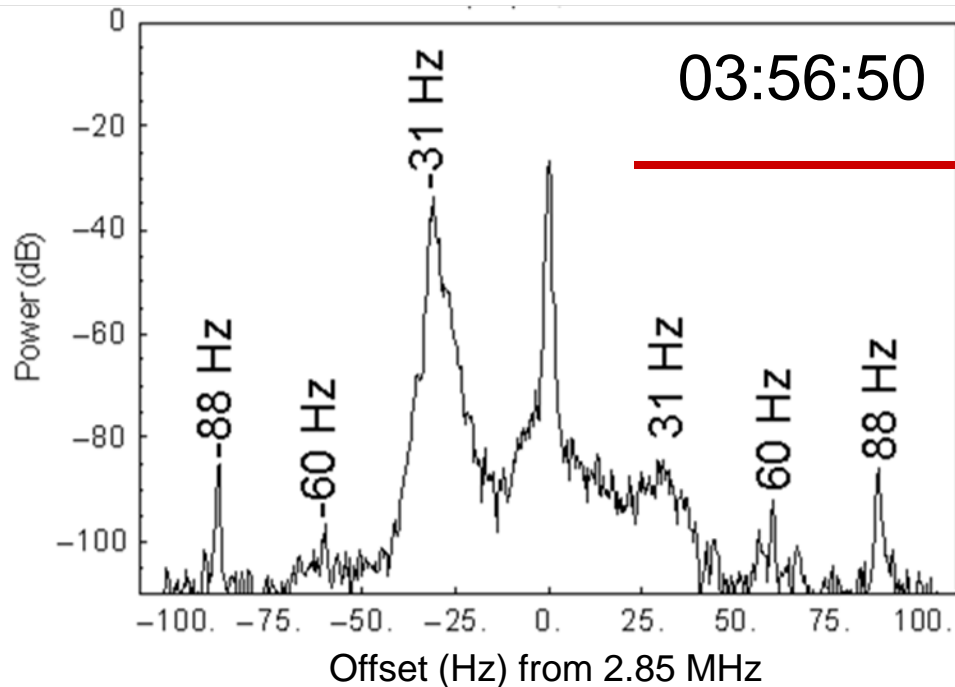
Competing Processes for Generation of Downshifted Stimulated Electromagnetic Emissions



Transition
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Coupling on
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Irregularities at
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Wave Region

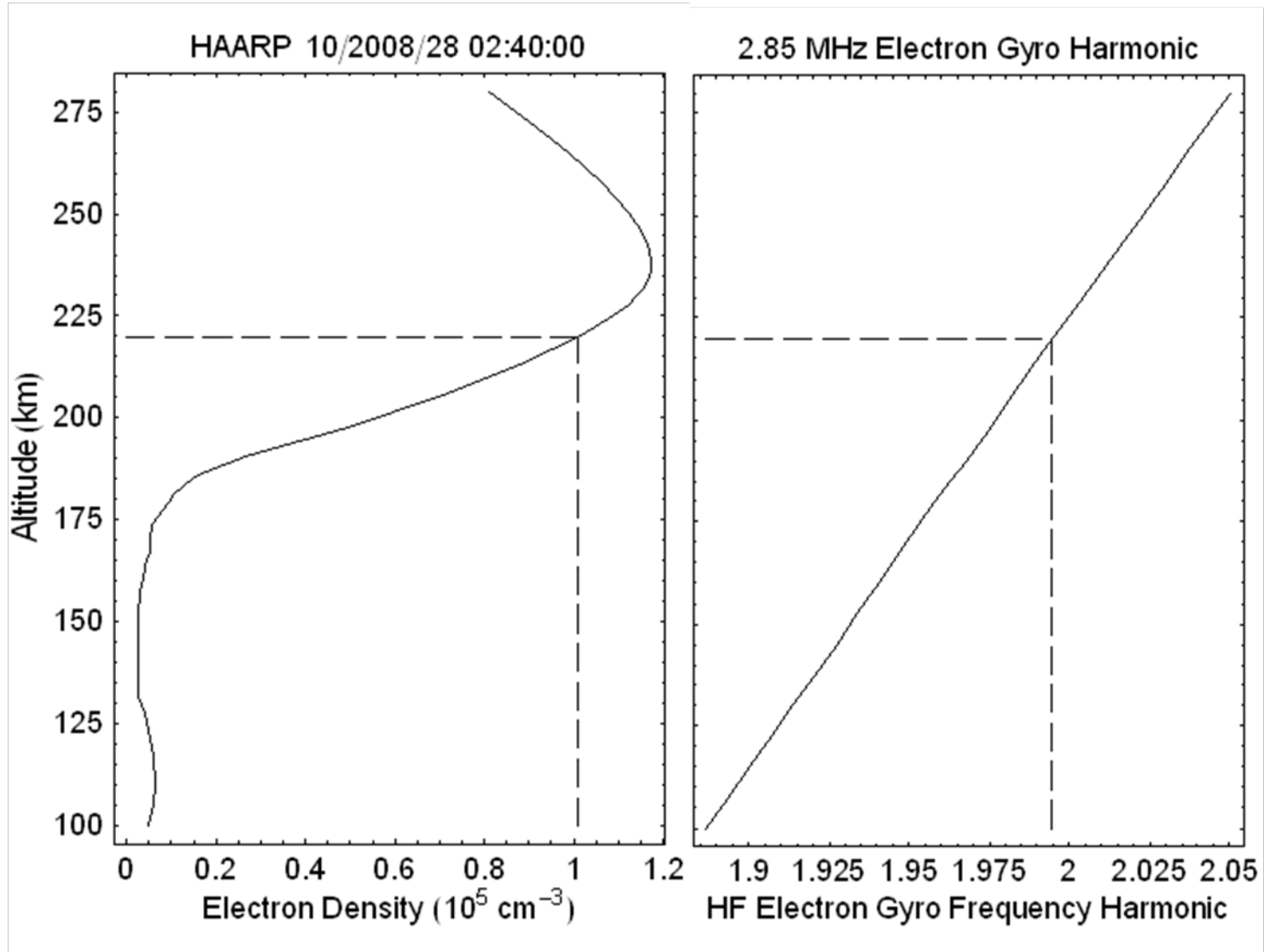


SBS at UH Level for Underdense HF



HF Interactions Near the Second Electron Cyclotron Harmonic

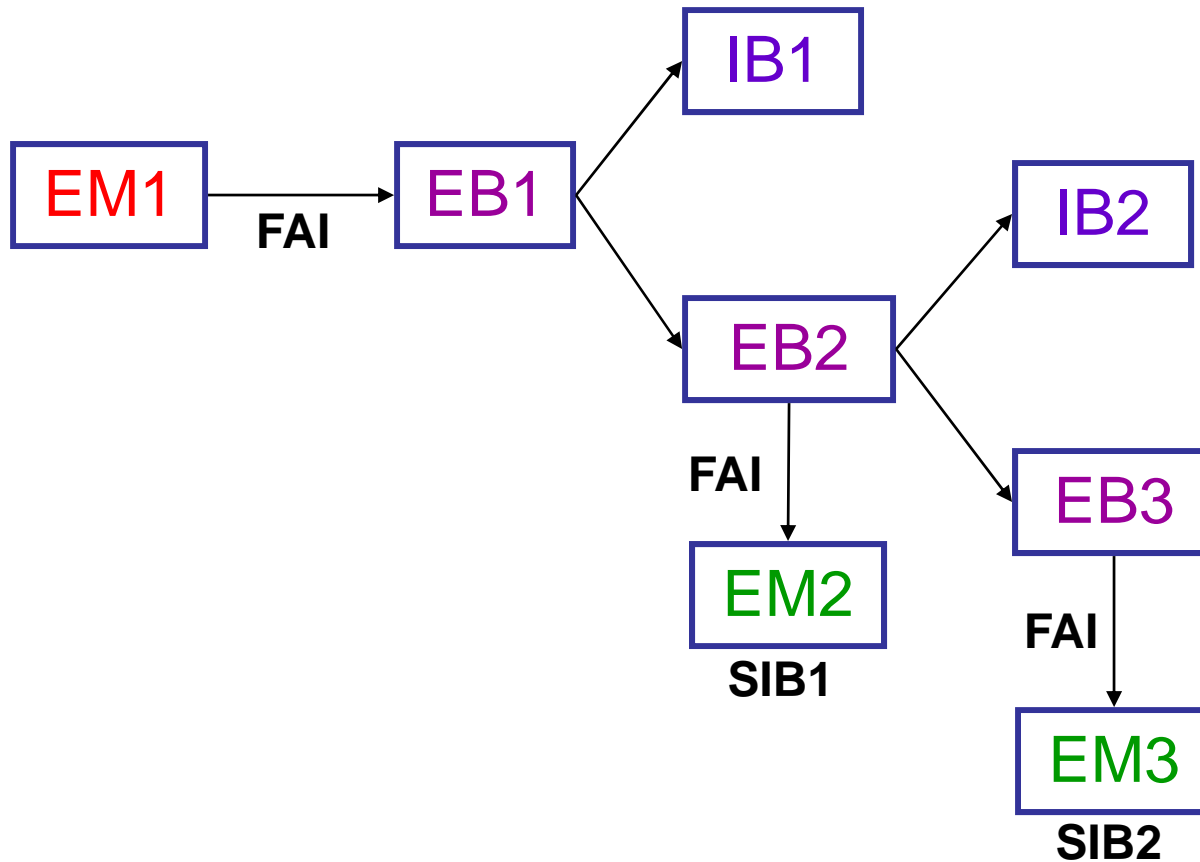
Electron Density Profile for 28 October 2008

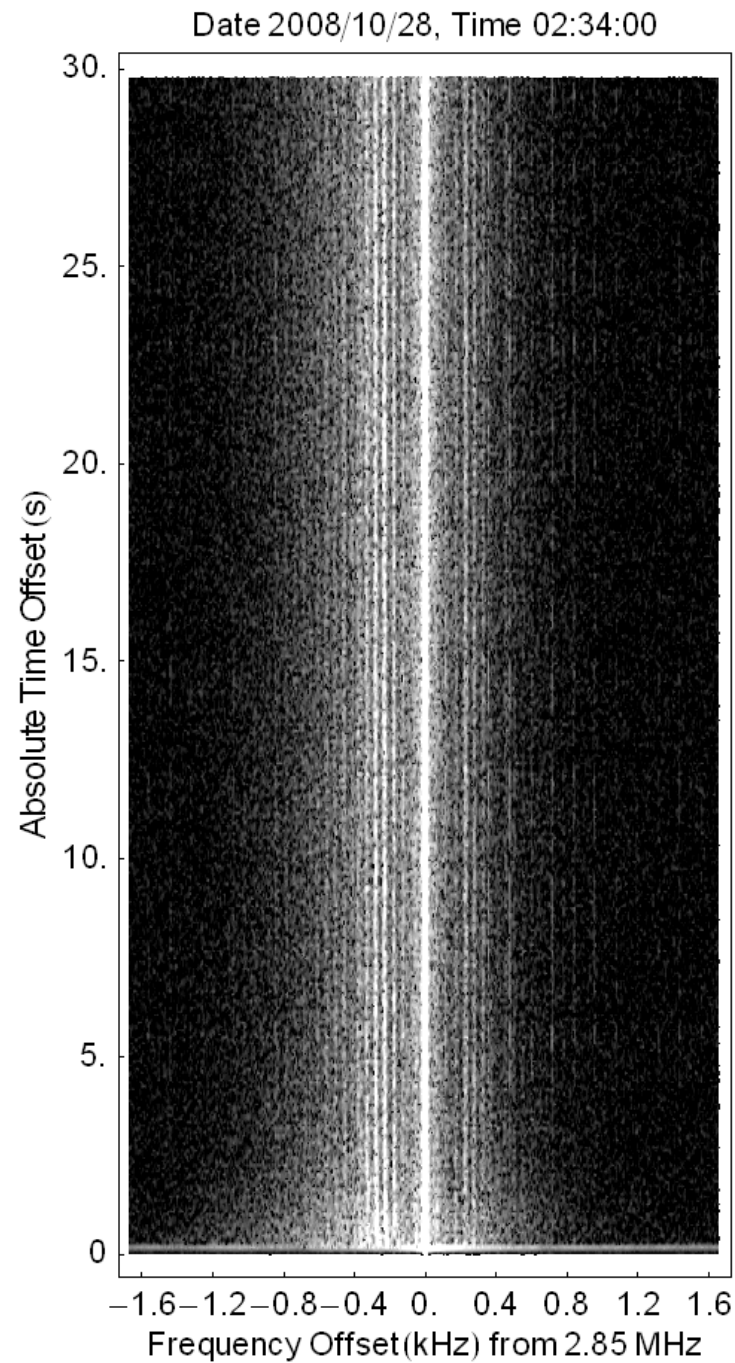
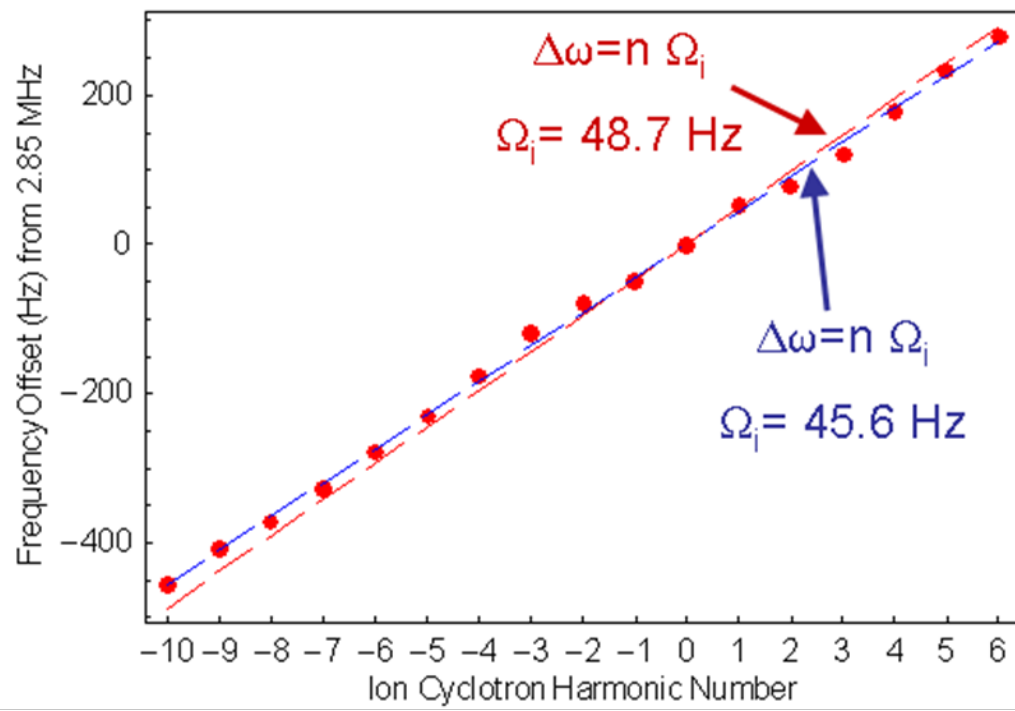
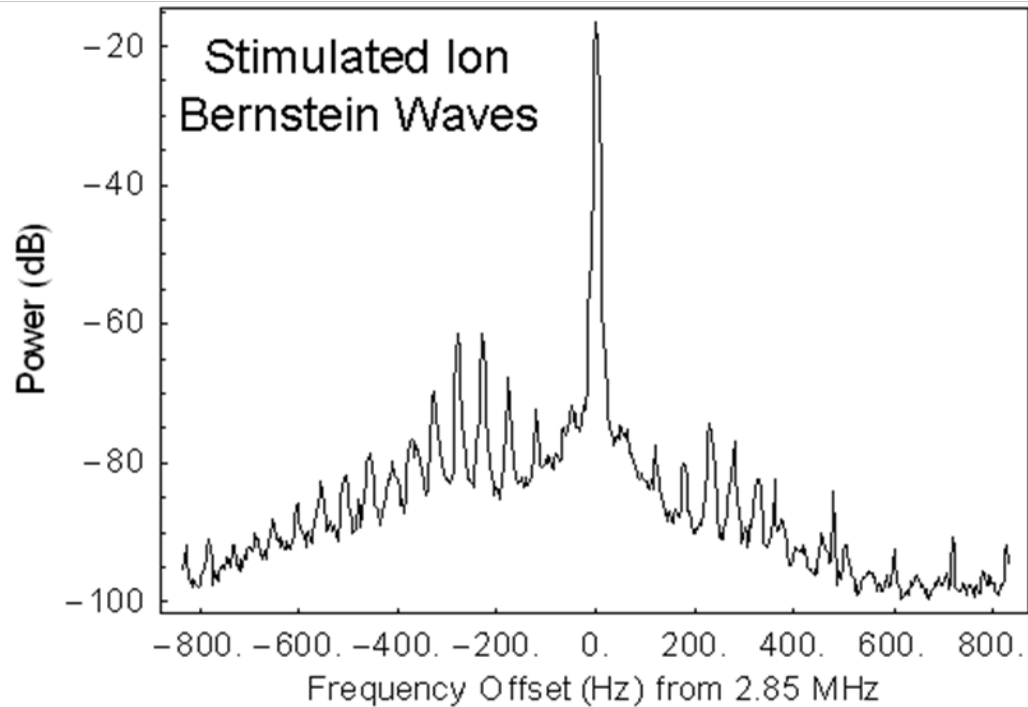


Parametric Decay Instabilities Observed by Stimulated EM Emissions

Parent Wave 0	Daughter Wave 1	Daughter Wave 2	Instability Name	Observed for HF
Electron Bernstein Wave	Electron Bernstein Wave	Ion Bernstein Wave	Electron Bernstein Decay Instability	Yes SEE

Stimulated Ion Bernstein (SIB) Generation



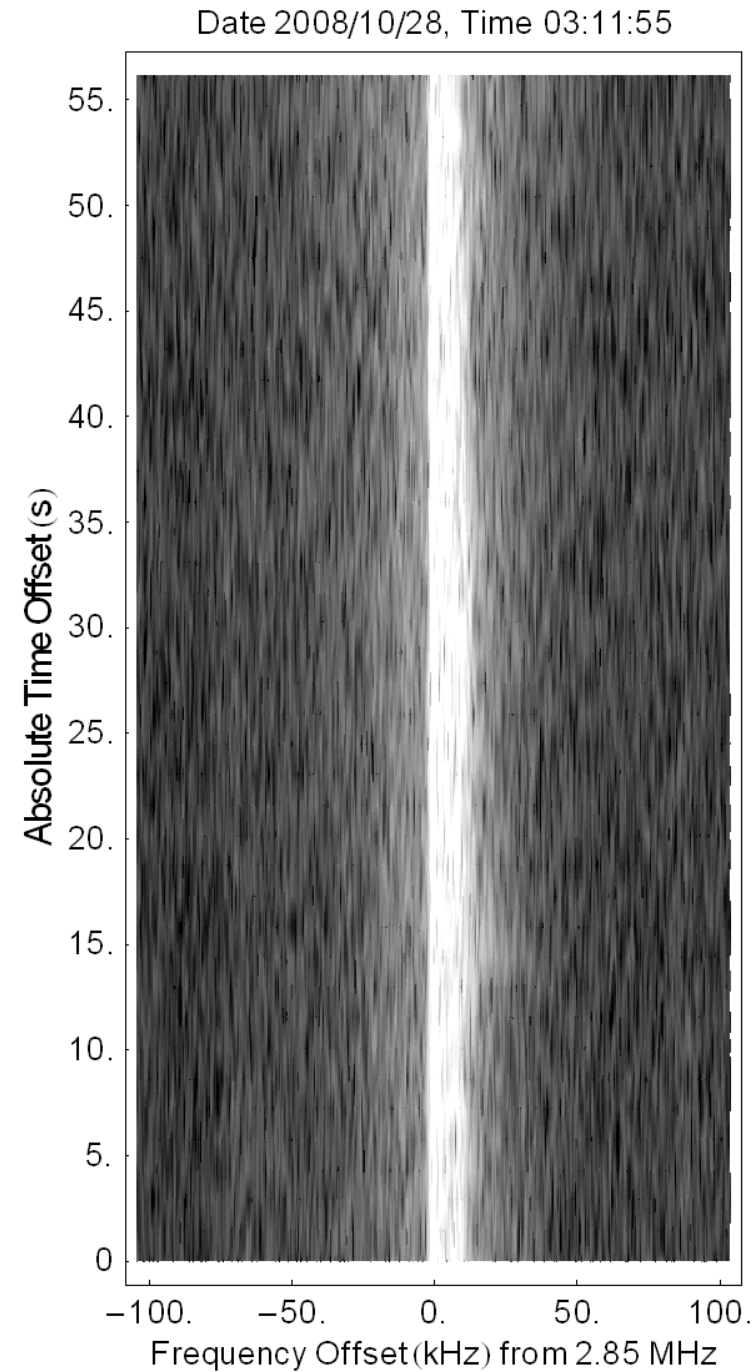
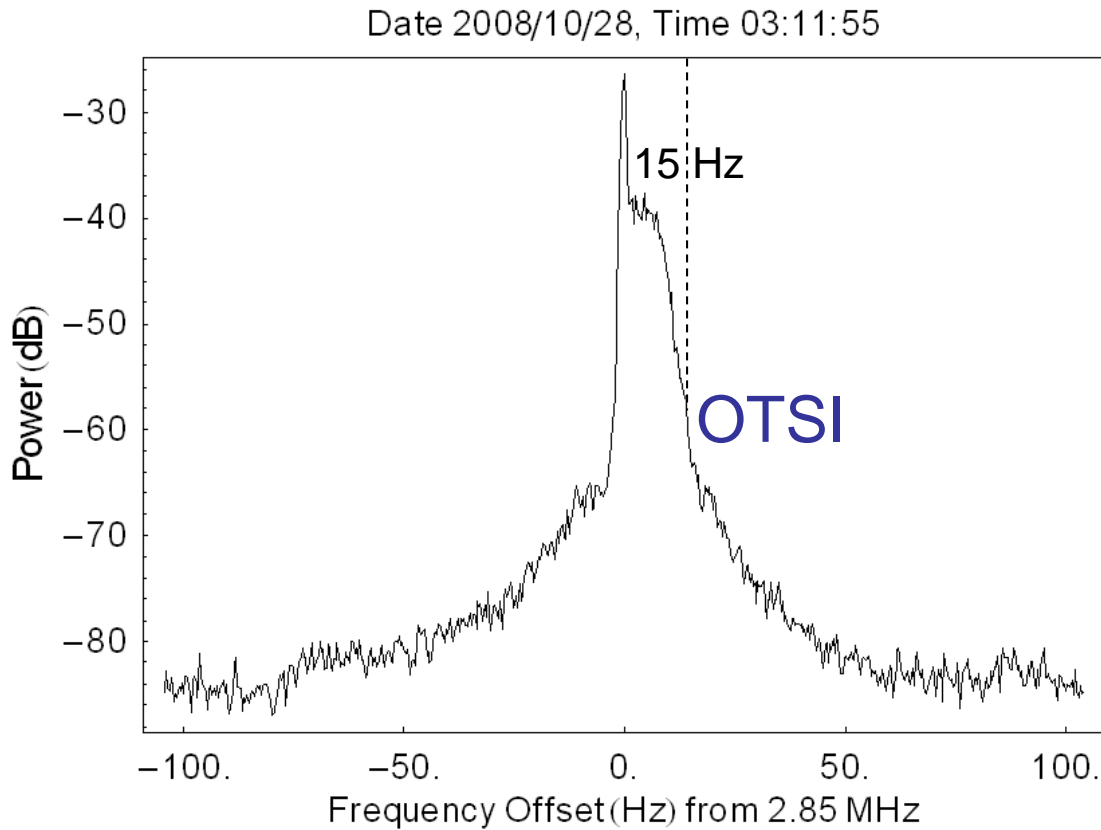


Simultaneous Parametric Decay Instabilities Observed by Stimulated EM Emissions

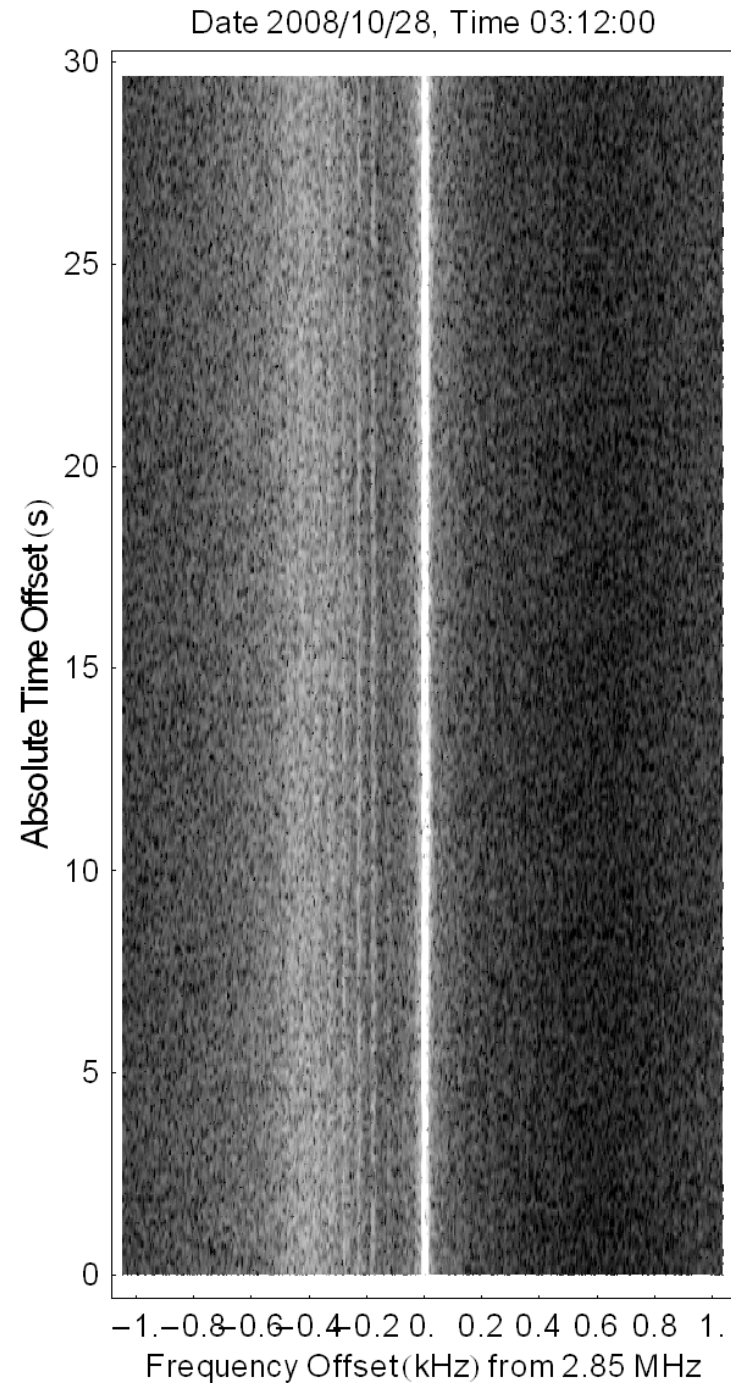
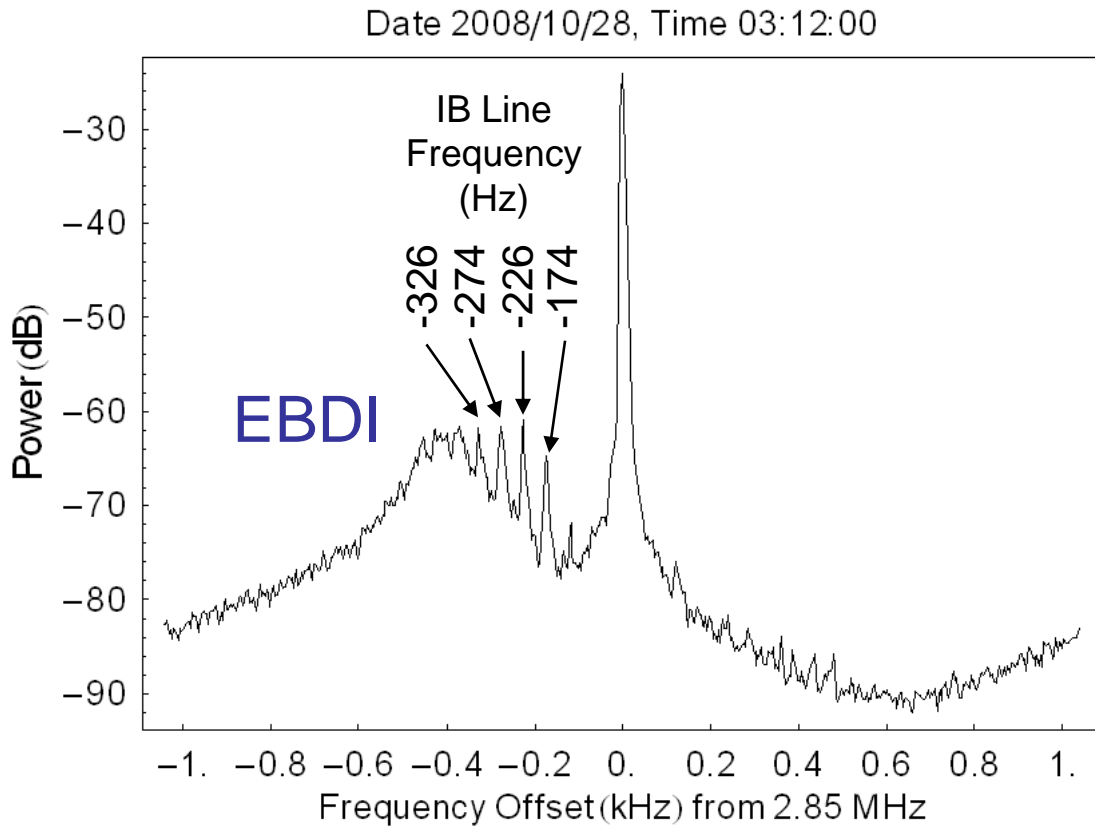
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Electromagnetic Wave	Electromagnetic Wave	Ion Acoustic Wave	Stimulated Brillouin Scattering Instability	Yes SEE
Upper Hybrid Wave	Upper Hybrid Wave	Lower Hybrid Wave	Lower-Hybrid Decay Instability	Yes SEE
Electron Bernstein Wave	Electron Bernstein Wave	Ion Bernstein Wave	Electron Bernstein Decay Instability	Yes SEE

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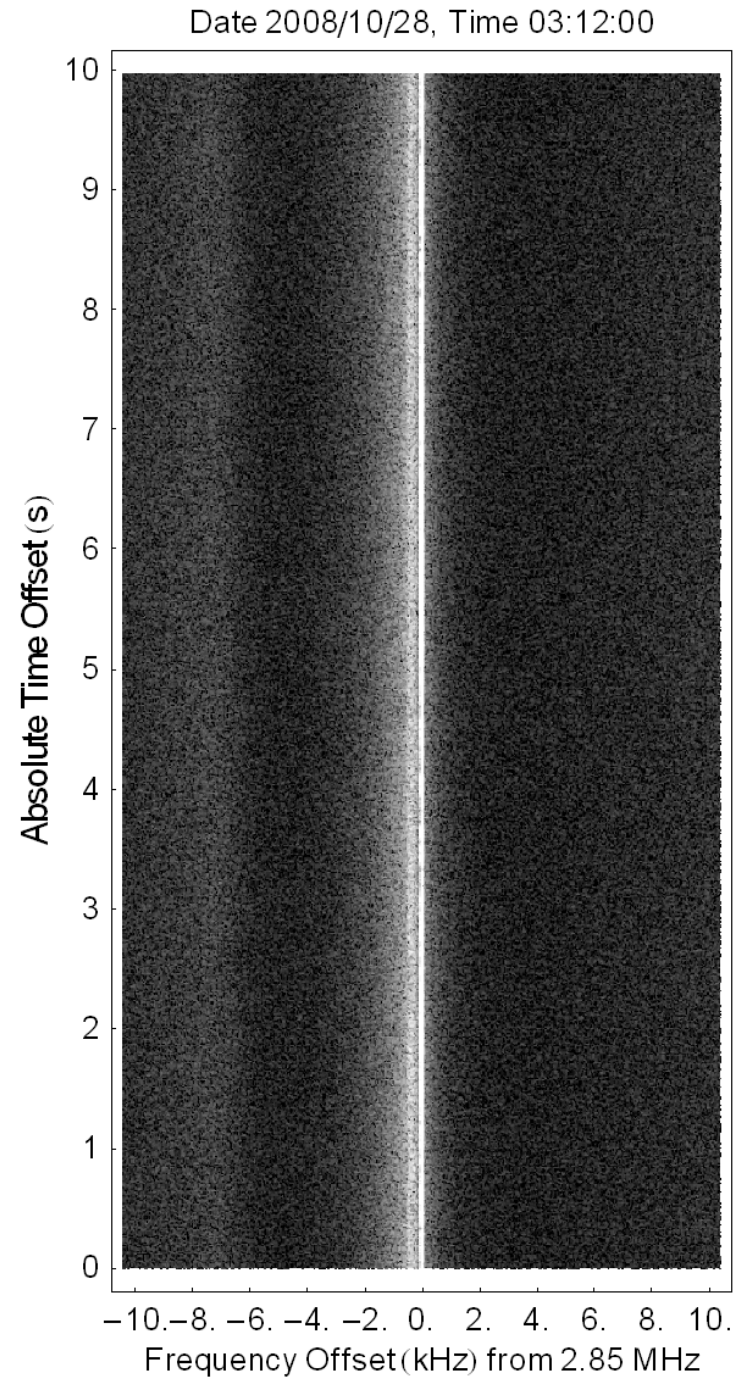
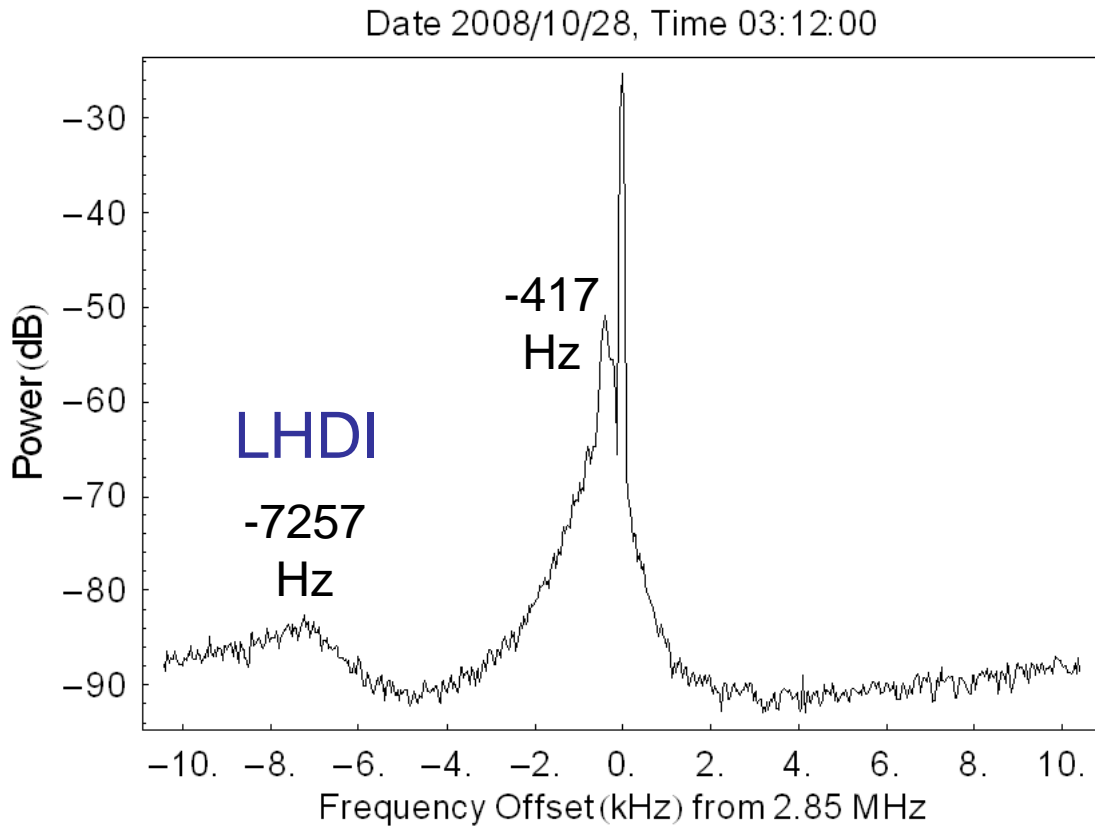


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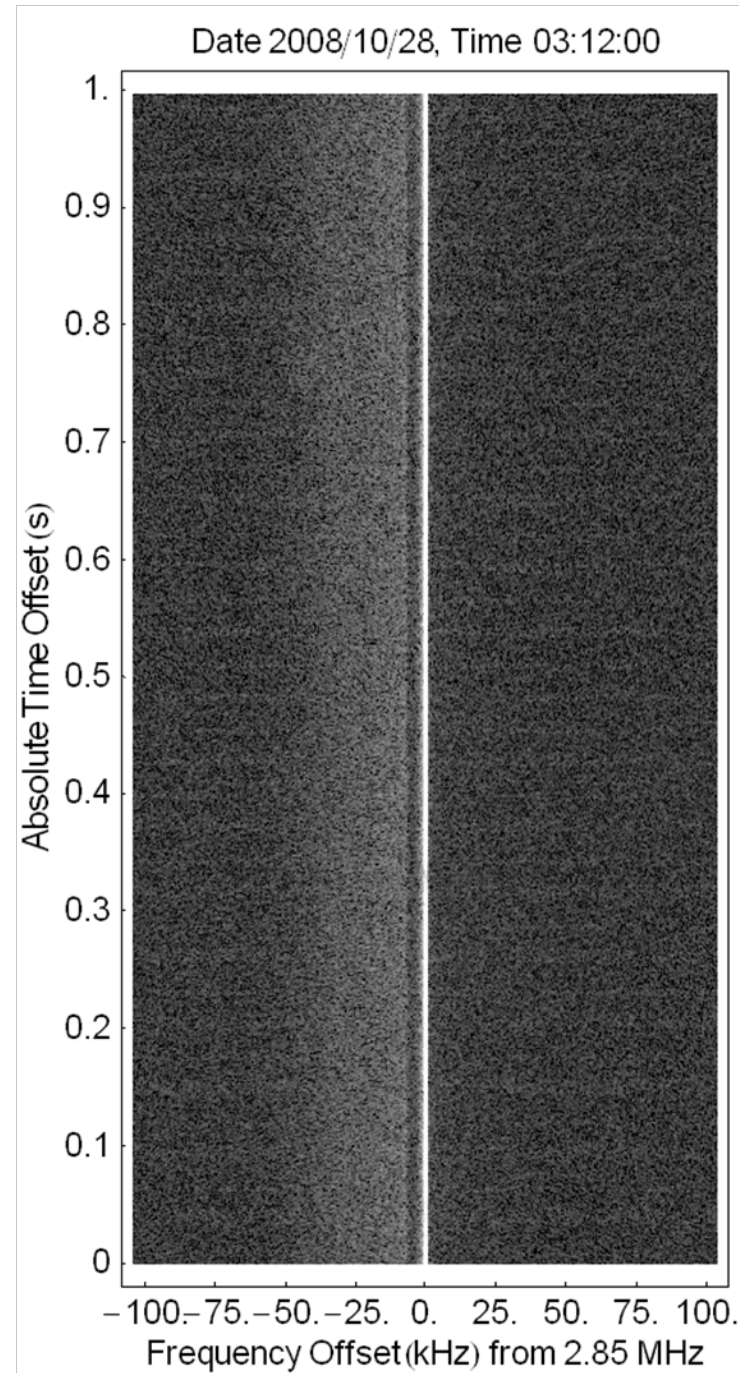
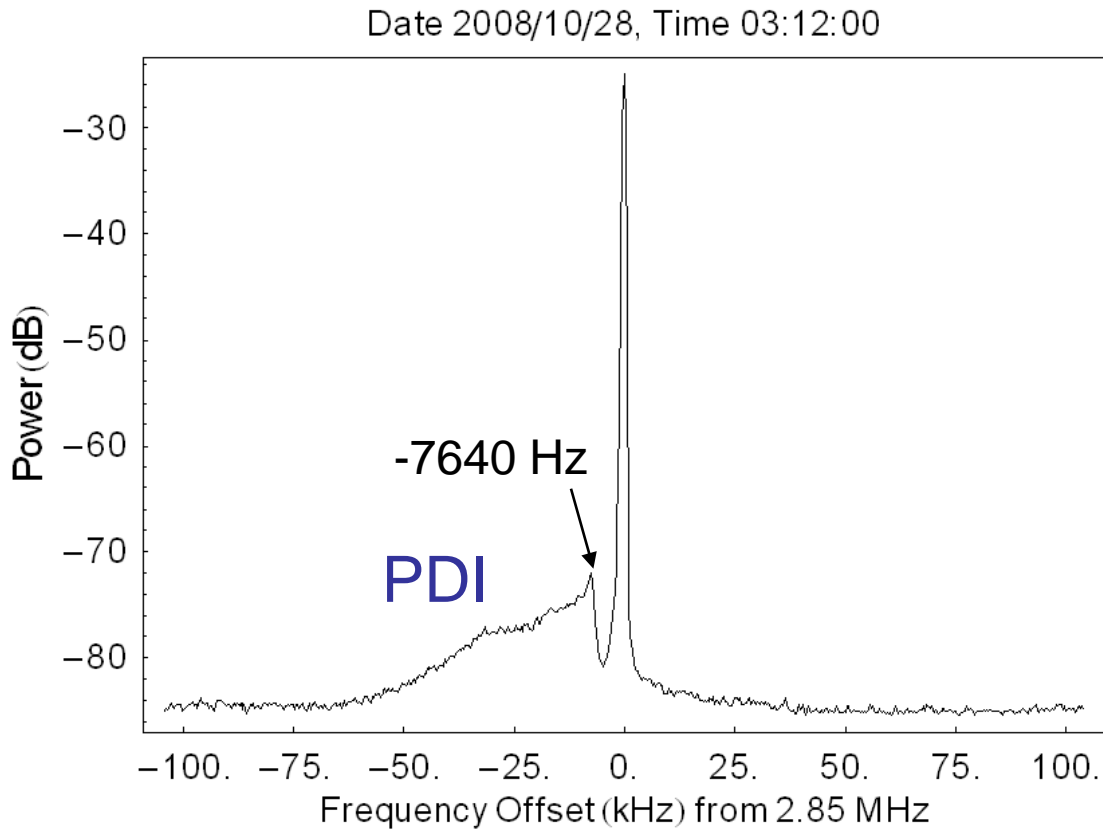
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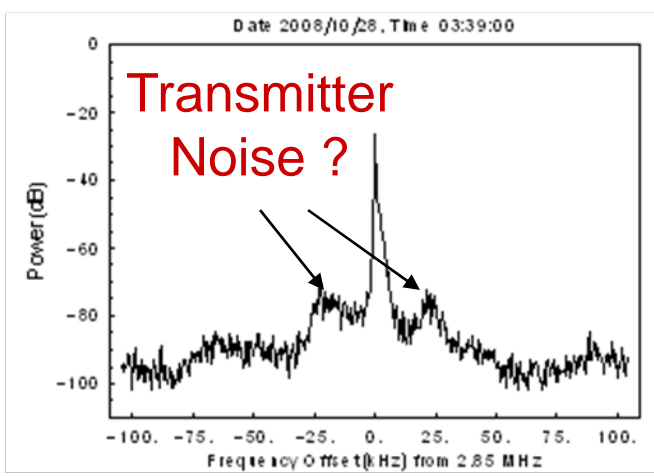
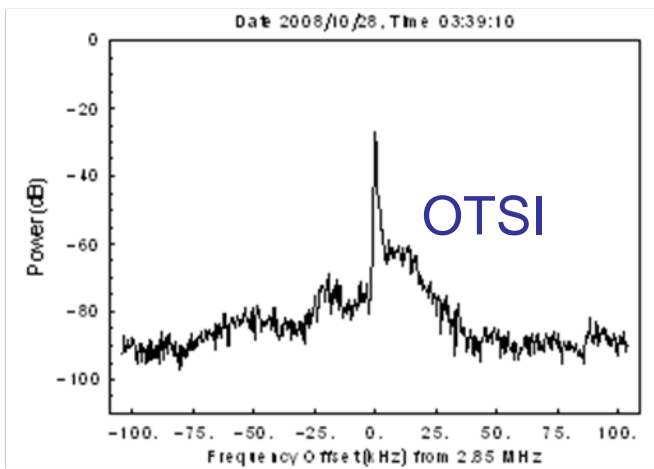
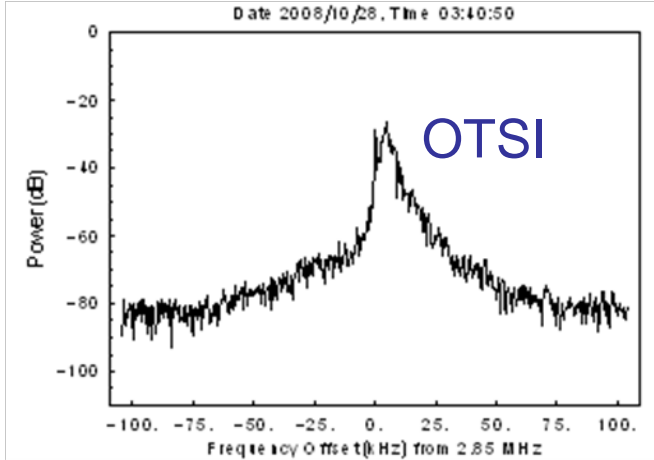
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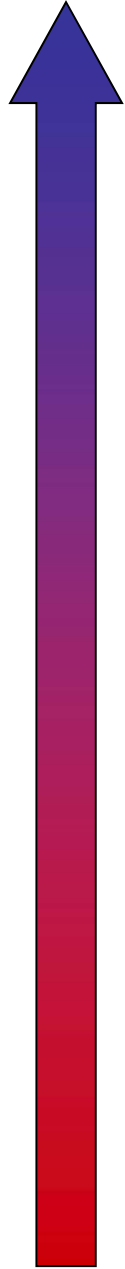
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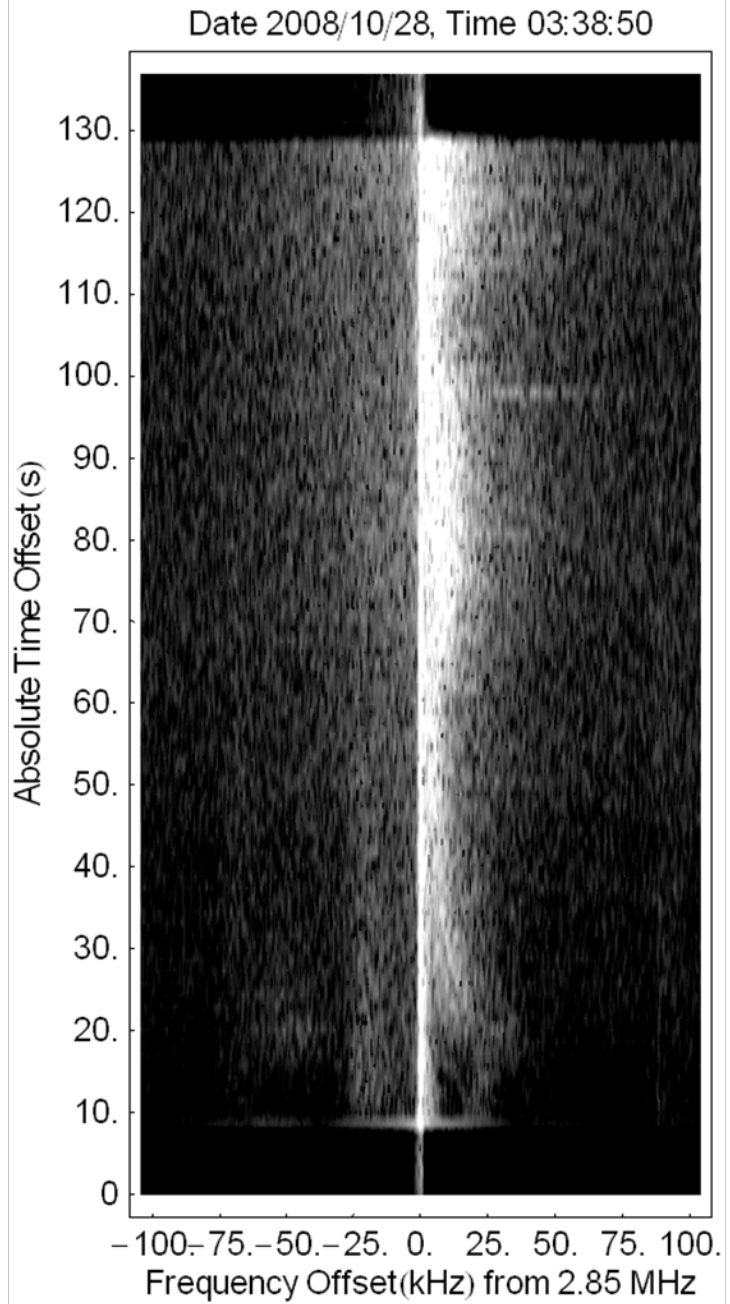




OTSI



OTSI Growth



Artificial Electrostatic Waves in the Ionosphere

- Ion Acoustic Waves Generated By Hypersonic Exhaust and High Power Radio Waves When $T_e \gg T_i$.
- Stimulated Brillouin Scatter (SBS) is the strongest SEE Mode – Sometimes SBS Emissions is Stronger than HF Pump Return
 - SBS by Overdense High-Power HF in the Ionosphere
 - Discovered by Norin et al. [**PRL**, 2009] in February 2008.
 - This work described by Bernhardt et al., submitted to **Annales Geophysicae** , 2009.
 - SBS by Underdense High-Power HF to be Tested in August at HAARP
 - SBS Produces Extremely Strong SEE Emissions up to 10 dB Below the HF Pump Return
 - SBS Comes from Both the *Reflection Region* and the *UH Resonance Height*
 - The SBS Ion Acoustic Frequency
 - Offset from the Pump Frequency
 - Electron Temperature Measurements from the UH Resonance Region
 - Validation Possible with ISR Measurements of T_e at EISCAT or Arecibo Heating Sites
- Stimulated Ion Bernstein Scatter and OTSI Discovery
 - First SEE Observations at HAARP
 - Slight Offsets from Ion Cyclotron Frequency Harmonics