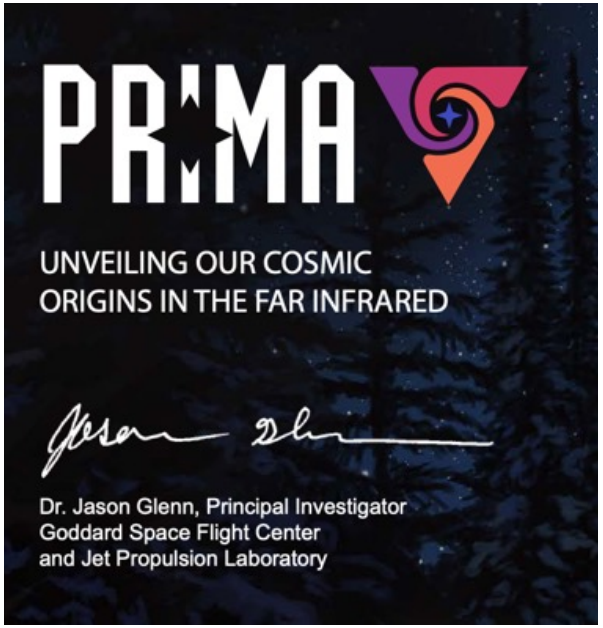

Jan 9, 2024

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(Jet Propulsion Laboratory, California Institute of Technology)

on behalf of the Jason and the PRIMA team.

At AAS

PI science overview
Instrumentation
Detectors
GO science

Pre-decisional information – for planning and discussion purposes only.

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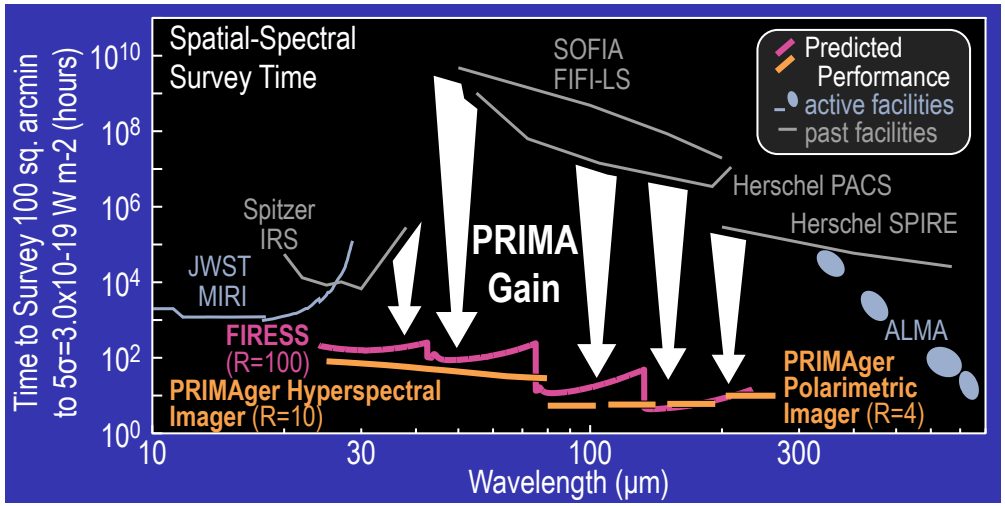
Many astronomers providing use cases – kudos !

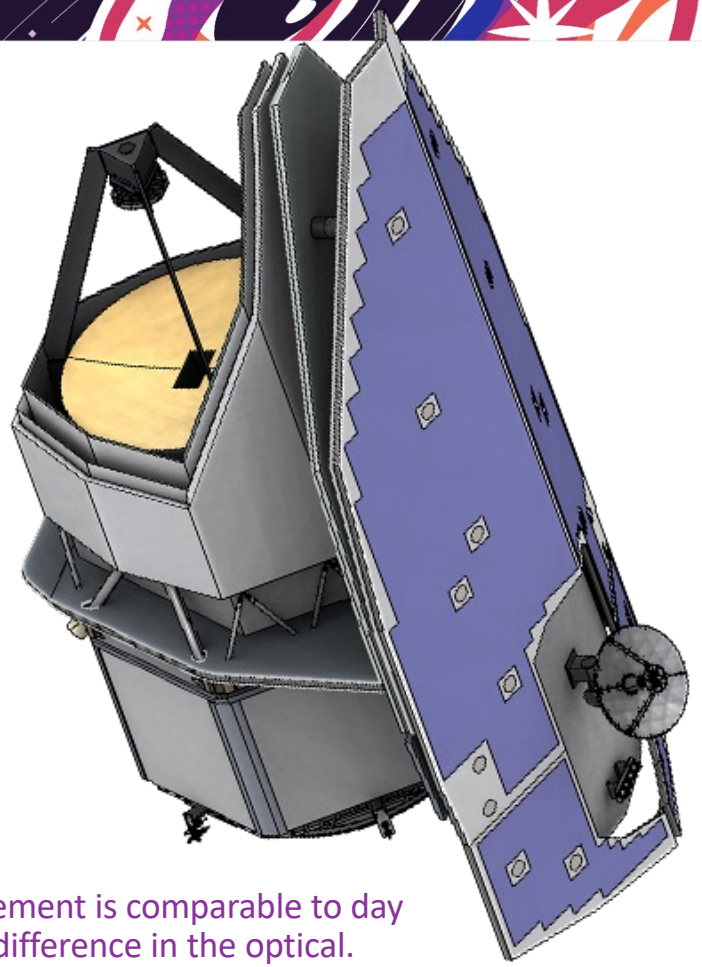
Excellent engineering / technology teams at JPL, GSFC

Strong JPL formulation team: Jenn Rocca, Liz Luthman, Steve Unwin, w/ D. Richardson @ GSFC

PRIMA at a Glance

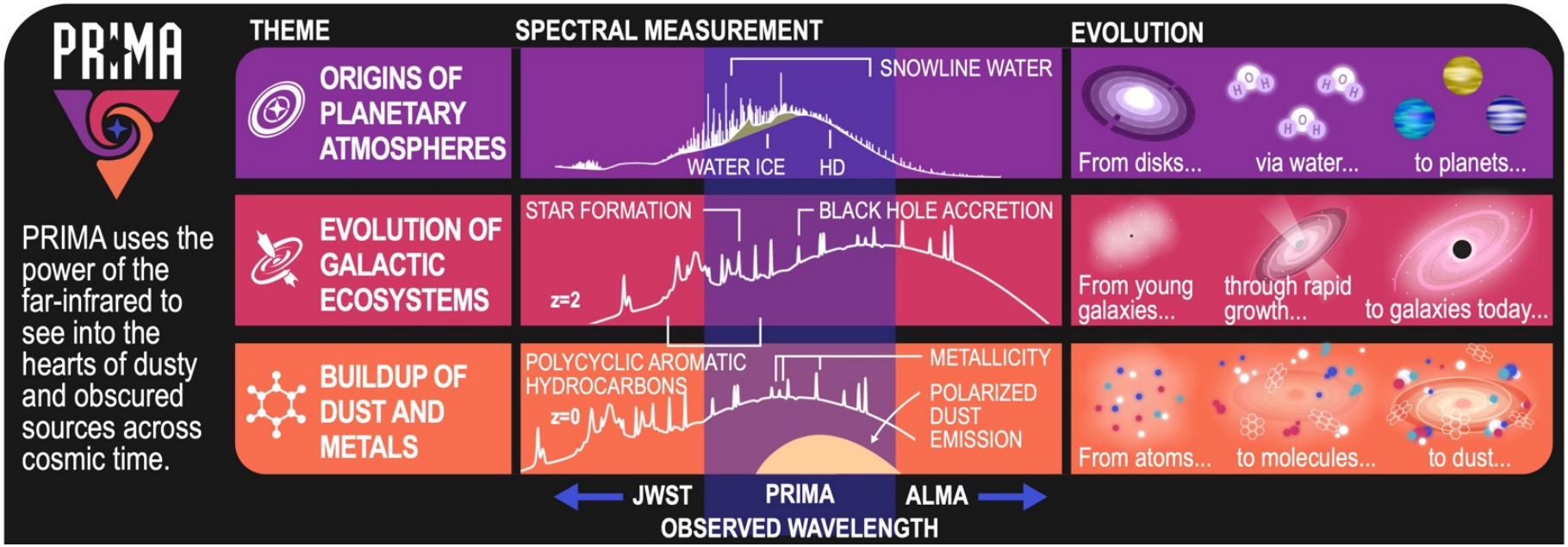
- 1.8-m, all-aluminum telescope cooled to 4.5 K.
- PRIMAger imager and polarimeter (France / Holland): 25-80 microns R=10 hyperspectral imaging, 91-232 µm imaging polarimetry.
- FIRESS Spectrometer (JPL w/ GSFC) : 24-235 µm in 4 grating modules with R>85. High-res mode gives R of thousands across full band.
- 100 mK focal planes with kinetic inductance detectors, provided by joint JPL/ GSFC and SRON team.
- JPL lead with GSFC, Ball spacecraft, IPAC data handling, many others.





Improvement is comparable to day / night difference in the optical. Requires a cold (~5K) telescope and sensitive far-IR detectors.

PRIMA PI Science Programs: Exercises the observatory, and provides legacy datasets



Planetary Atmospheres → High-res spectroscopy across the full 24-235 μm band. R = 4,400 at 112 μm

Galactic Ecosystems →

Dust and Metals →

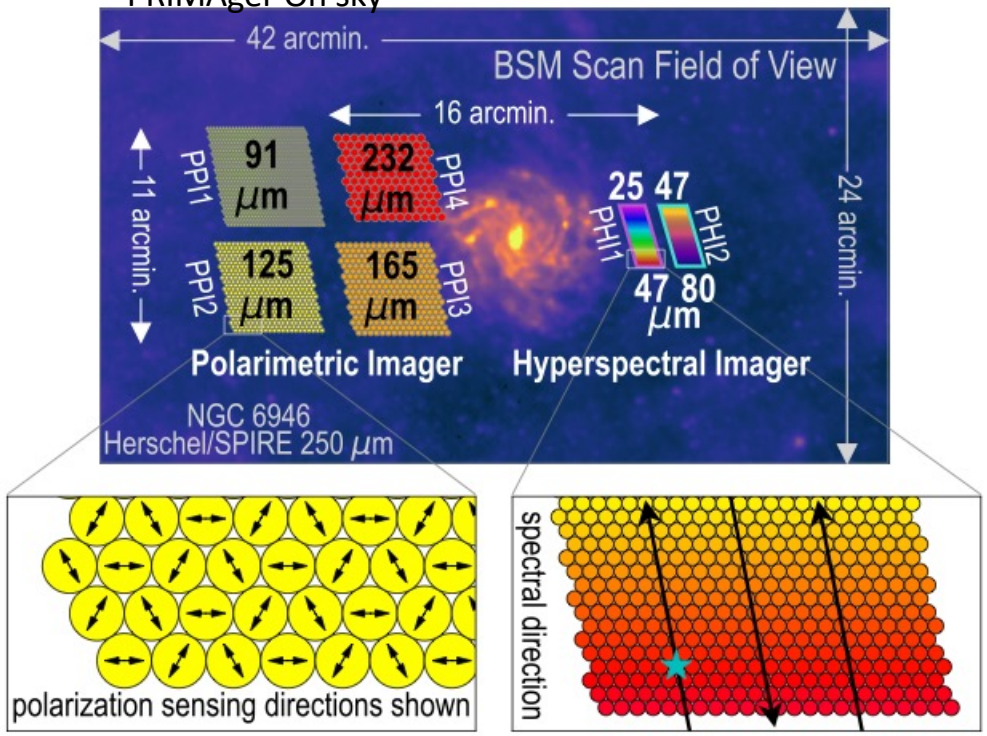
Hyperspectral blind imaging surveys, follow-up full band spectroscopy for fine-structure lines, PAHs at z=1 to 2.3

→ Full-band medium res spectroscopy for outflows

→ Polarimetry at 90-235 μm

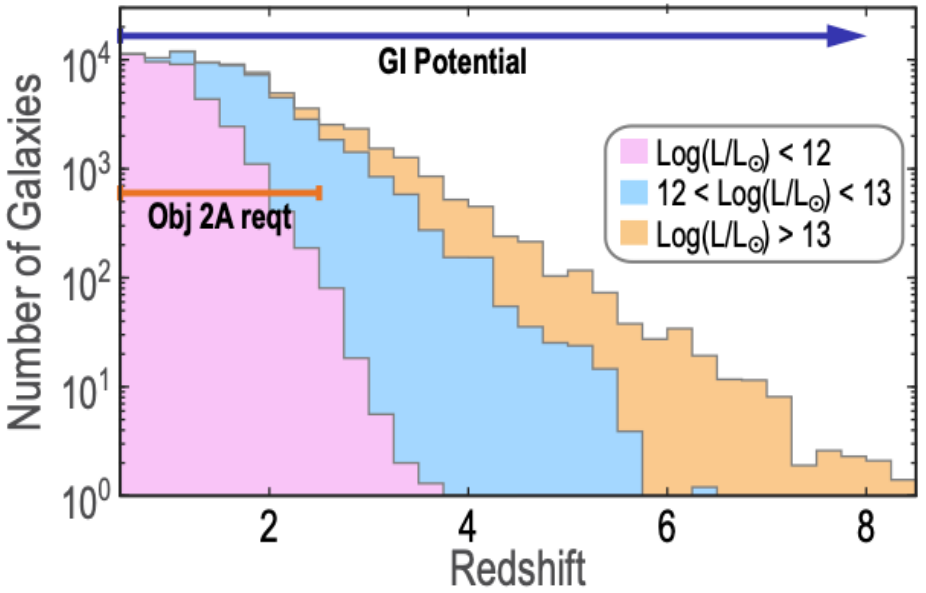
PRIMAger Instrument (Leads Denis Burgarella, Laure Ciesla, Marc Sauvage)

PRIMAger On sky



- 2 hyperspectral focal planes using linear variable filters with continuous R=10 coverage.
- 4 single-band polarimetric focal planes
- Whole instrument read out simultaneously.

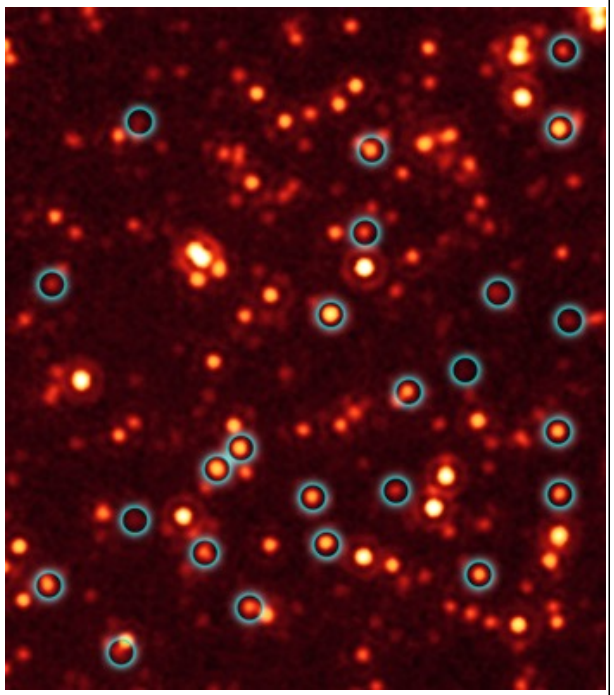
Hyperspectral Survey Yields



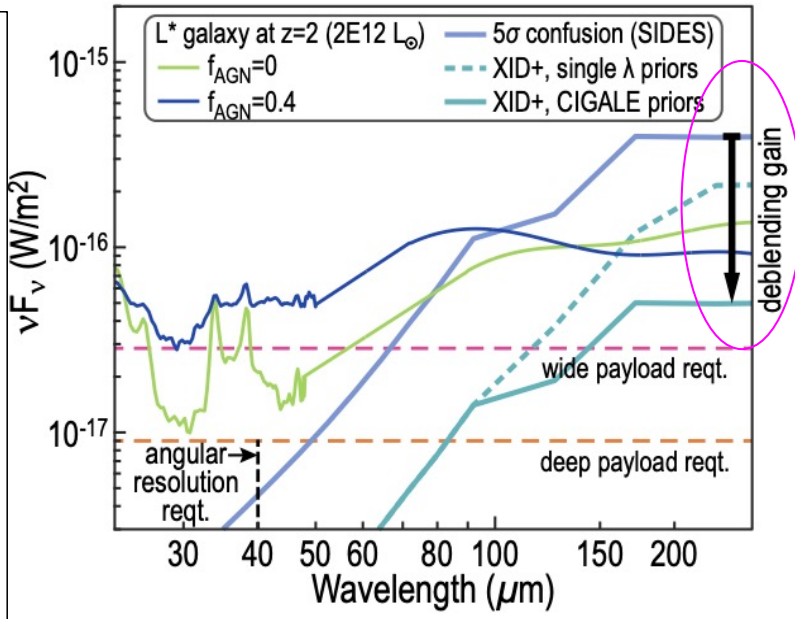
- 2 tiered survey with 1 square degree and 10 square degree tiers. GO could do additional tiers.
- Expect ~ 10,000 galaxies per delta z = 0.25 bin. A rich archival dataset.

Source Confusion with PRIMA

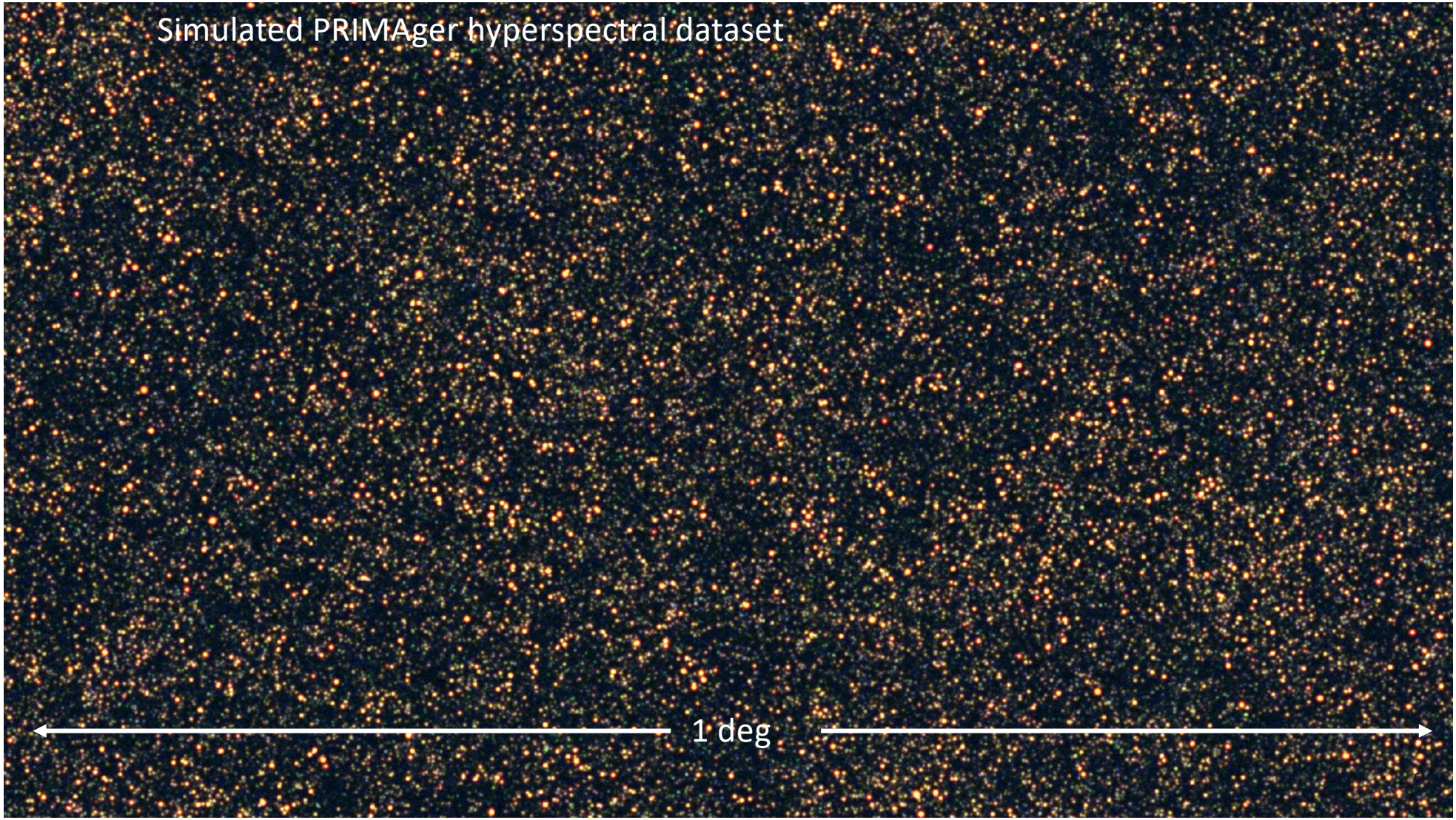
Spitzer MIPS 24 micron



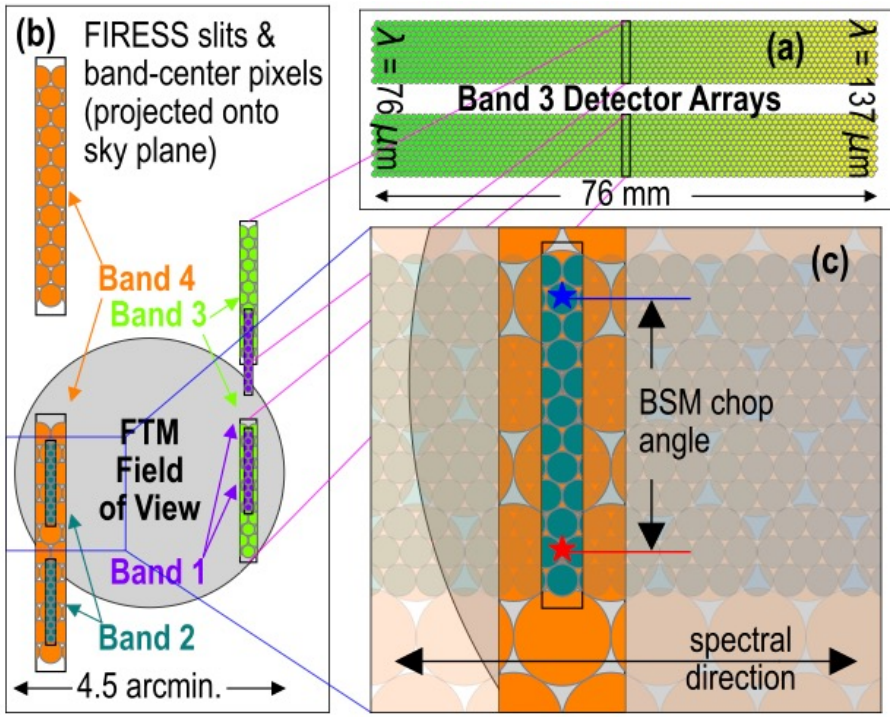
- Nearly all PRIMA sources will have position and redshift priors with Euclid / Roman surveys.
- Beamsize with PRIMA at 55-60 μm will be comparable to Spitzer 24 μm, which was unconfused and resolved most of the light. Expect the same for PRIMA but reaching further into the far-IR. Use short-wavelengths positions as priors to long-wave extraction (see right).
- Black hole growth / star formation ratio is measured with fluxes shortward of 90 microns.
- Confusion mitigated with spectroscopy – unconfused in line counts.

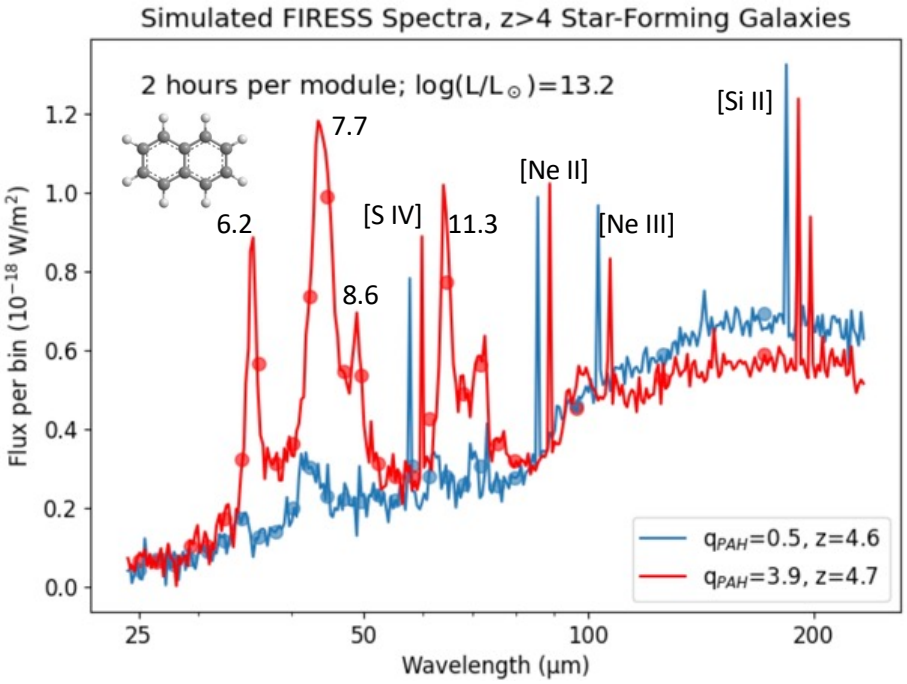


- XID+ deblending demonstrated with Herschel PACs and SPIRE datasets.
- Uses prior information on both position and flux.
  - Starts with shortest-wavelength map, uses previous flux as prior.
  - CIGALE-based approach uses prior based on all shorter-wavelength data. -> 8x improvement in depth


Simulated PRIMAger hyperspectral dataset
1 deg

FIRESS Instrument

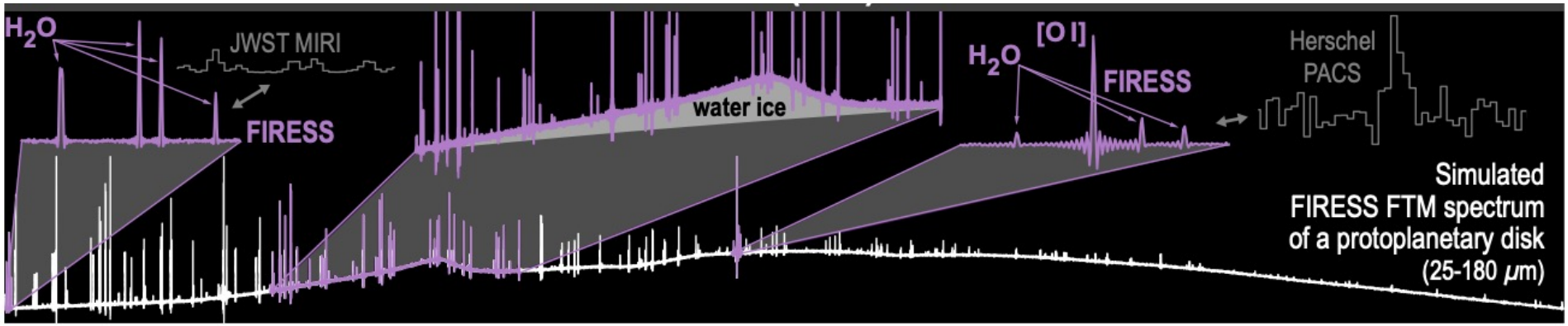




- 4 slit-fed grating modules, each 24 x 84 pixels w/ gap.
- Bands 1 and 3 overlap, Bands 2 and 4 overlap.
- 2 pointings for full spectrum, though all 4 bands read out.
- High-res mode couples all bands when engaged

Simulated PRIMA/FIRESS spectra of two luminous galaxies at z > 4.5, with realistic noise model reflecting current best estimate FIRESS sensitivity. Dots are example PRIMAger binned fluxes. *From Donnely et al contribution to PRIMA GO book.*

FIRESS high-res FTM module

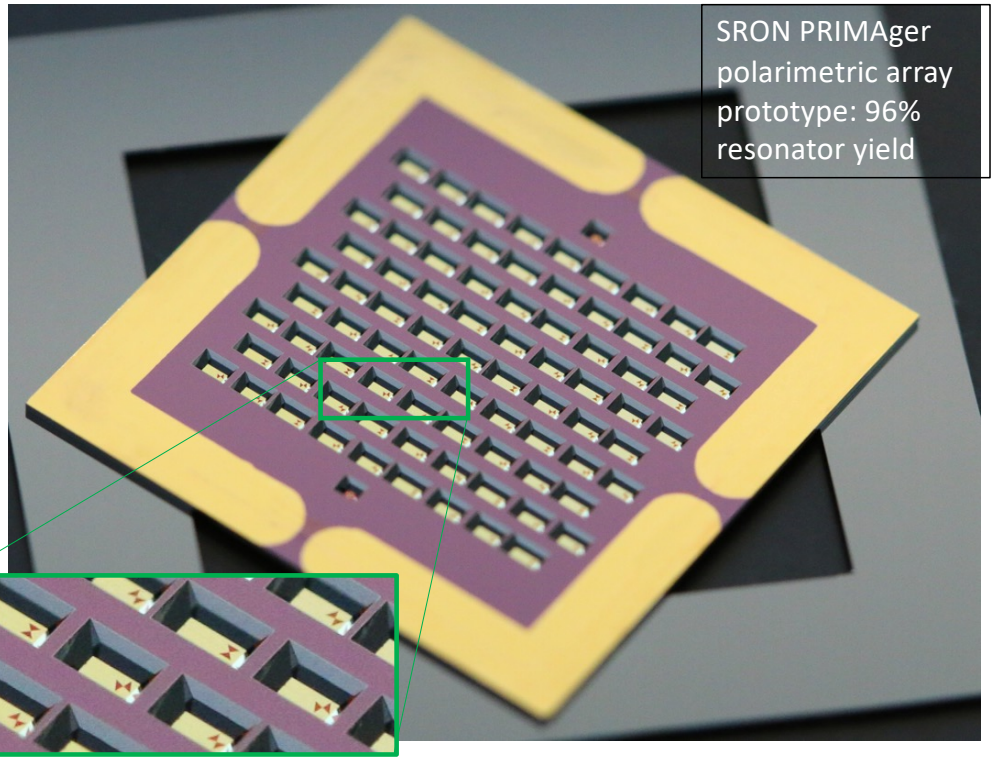


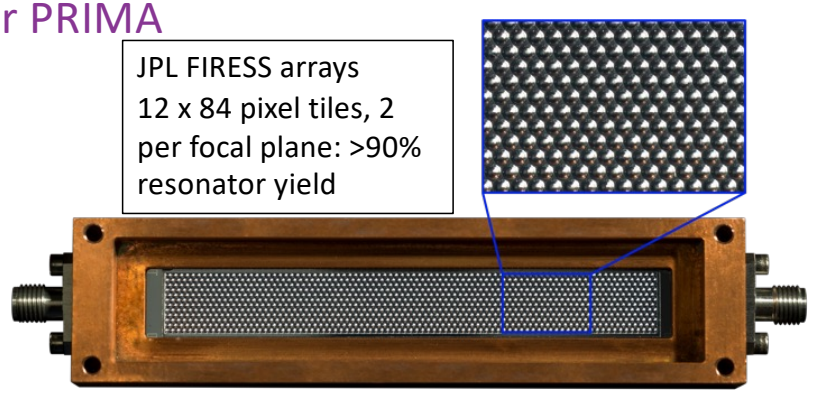
- When engaged, picks off light from telescope in collimated space
- Serves the full band simultaneously (2 pointings required for a source)
- Path length can be tuned, provides up to R=4,400 at 112 microns
- R scales as 1/lambda. So can resolve water lines in Band 1.

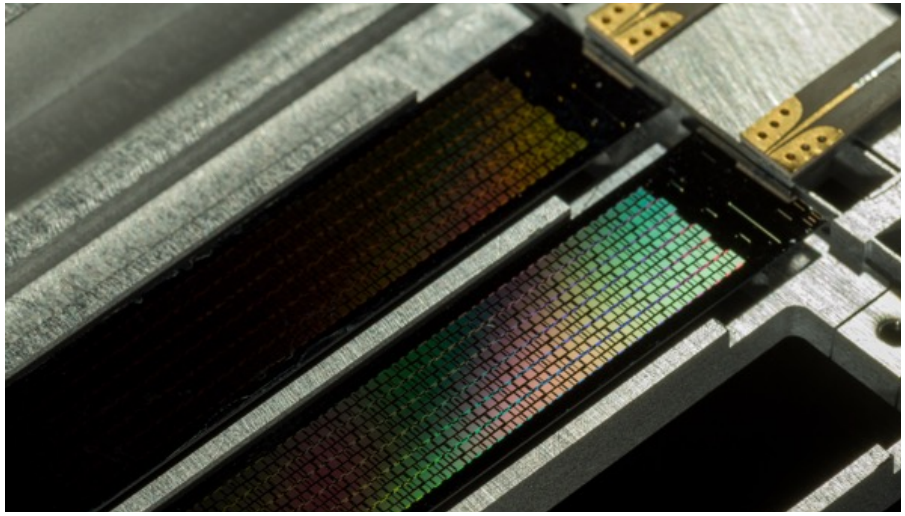
Heritage: Herschel SPIRE FTS also 4.5 K imaging FTS.
(Griffin et al.)
Same Canadian team developing the low-power-dissipation scan mechanism.

KID Detectors: a JPL / GSFC / SRON Collaboration for PRIMA

- ***Sensitivity exceeds performance requirements over full wavelength range.***
- Demonstrated detector/lenslet hybridized arrays with full FIRESS format (84x12, 900-µm pixel pitch). PRIMAger prototypes in place from SRON.
- Key remaining challenge is yield with lenses bonded and full-band readout.







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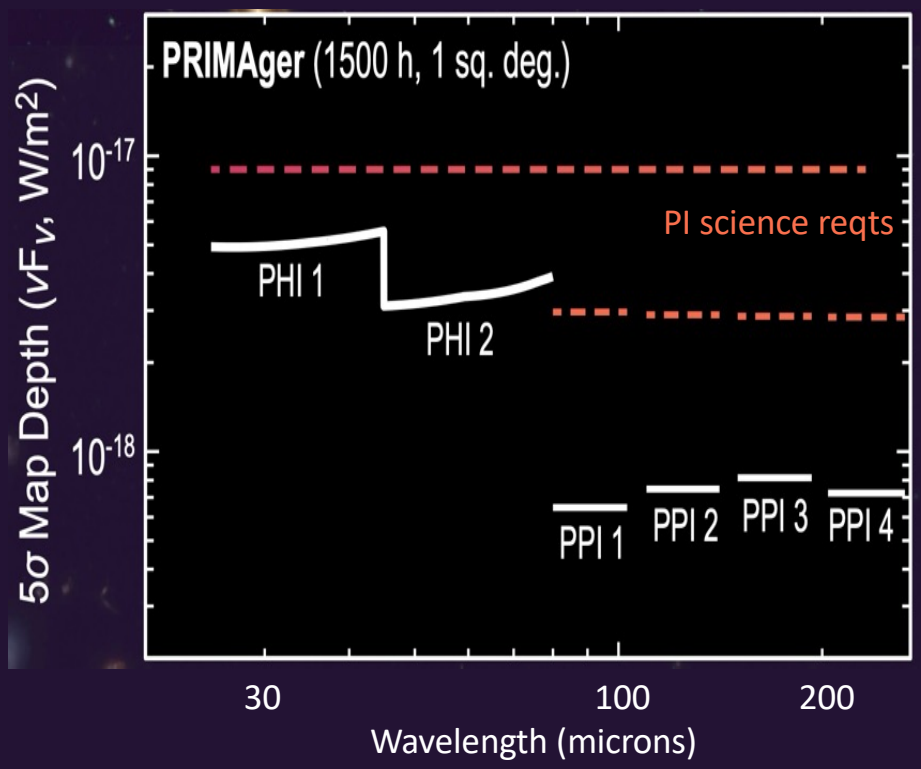
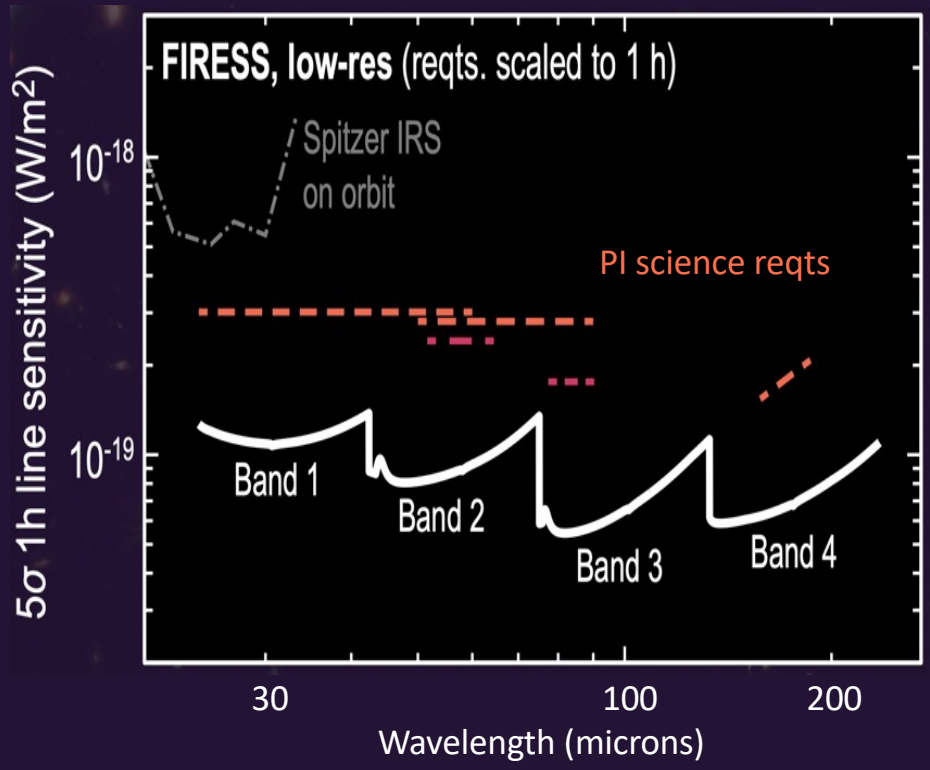
PRIMA Sensitivities

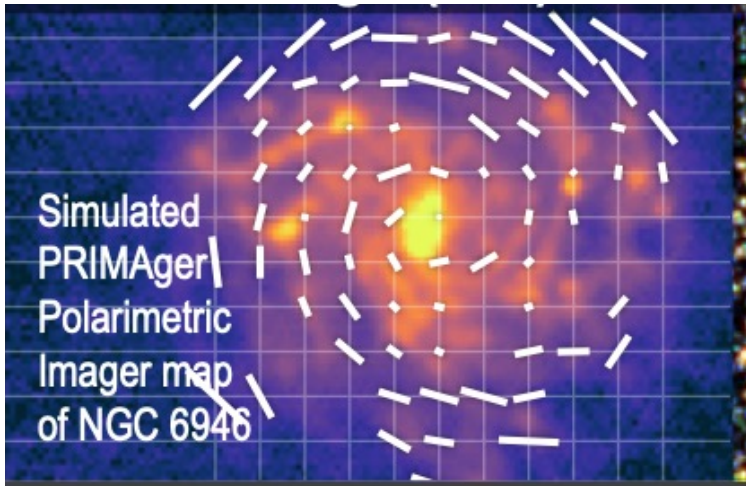


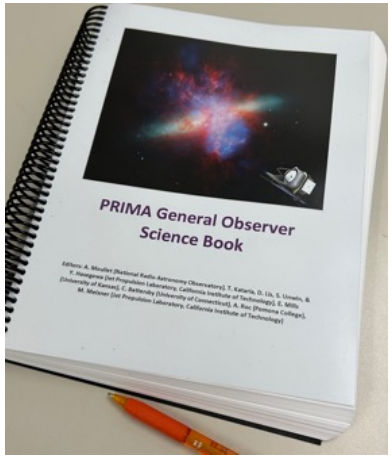


Includes: all key optical efficiencies, microlens & pixel coupling to sources, grating blaze
detector sensitivity, background photons
temporal efficiencies due to chopping, cosmic ray removal.

PRIMA GO Opportunities

- Sensitivities available on fact sheet and web page.
  - PRIMAger (mapping speed)
  - FIRESS (pointed – mapping #s on web page)
  - FIRESS high res (pointed)
- Instantaneous field of regard of 26% of the sky.
  - Investigating larger FoR – current limits very conservative. Have margins in thermal lift and mass so could increase sunshade area.
- Agile. Can slew and anywhere in field of regard in 12 minutes
- No meaningful constraints on changing instruments or modes.
- GO book a set of example fiducial cases. Thanks very much to those of you that contributed. More to come.
- Remember, NASA will control the GO program.
- Reach out with questions.





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Thank you

PRIMA activities at AAS (other than this session)

Monday 9-10: Poster Session 106:
Steve Unwin et al., PRIMA Planetary System Formation

Wednesday 9-10, Poster Session 306
Betsy Mills et al., PRIMA Galactic Ecosystems

Wednesday 5:30-6:30: Poster Session 306
Arielle Moullet et al.: PRIMA GO Book

Thursday 1-2, Poster Session 457
Matt Bradford et al. – FIRESS
Margaret Meixner et al. – PRIMAger
Johannes Staguhn et al. – Rise of Dust and Metals

Thursday 2-3:30: Oral 450:
Margaret Meixner et al., PRIMA overview

Tuesday evening: Informal Social Event
8:30pm at the New Orleans Social House

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