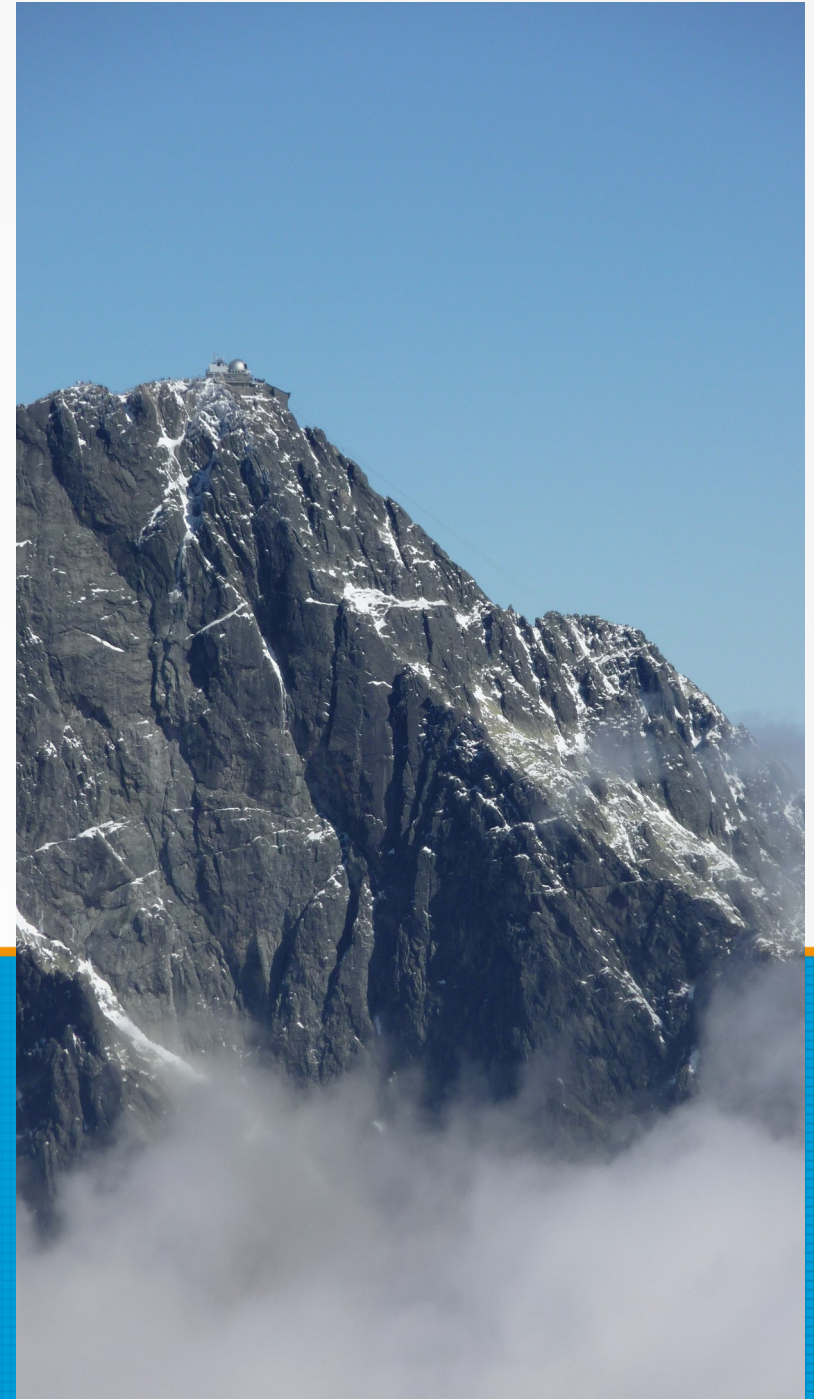


LSO summer internship program: Lyot - Ohman filter

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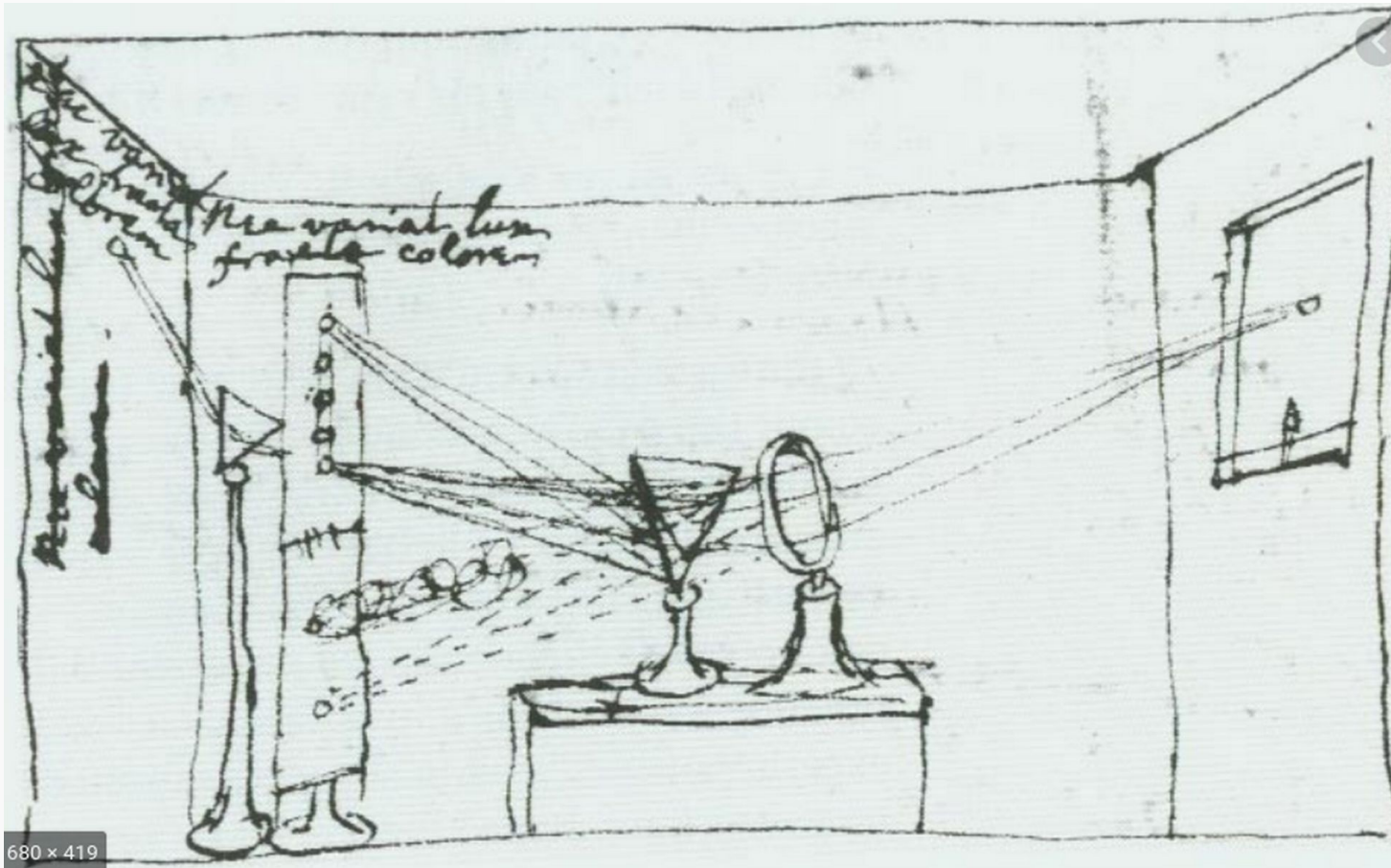


Content:

- A tribute to the Bernard Lyot genius – part 2
- Two main topics + a little of history:
 - Lyot- Ohman filter
 - CoMP-S instrument @ LSO coronagraph

Spectrometers: a little of history

- Beginning of the story

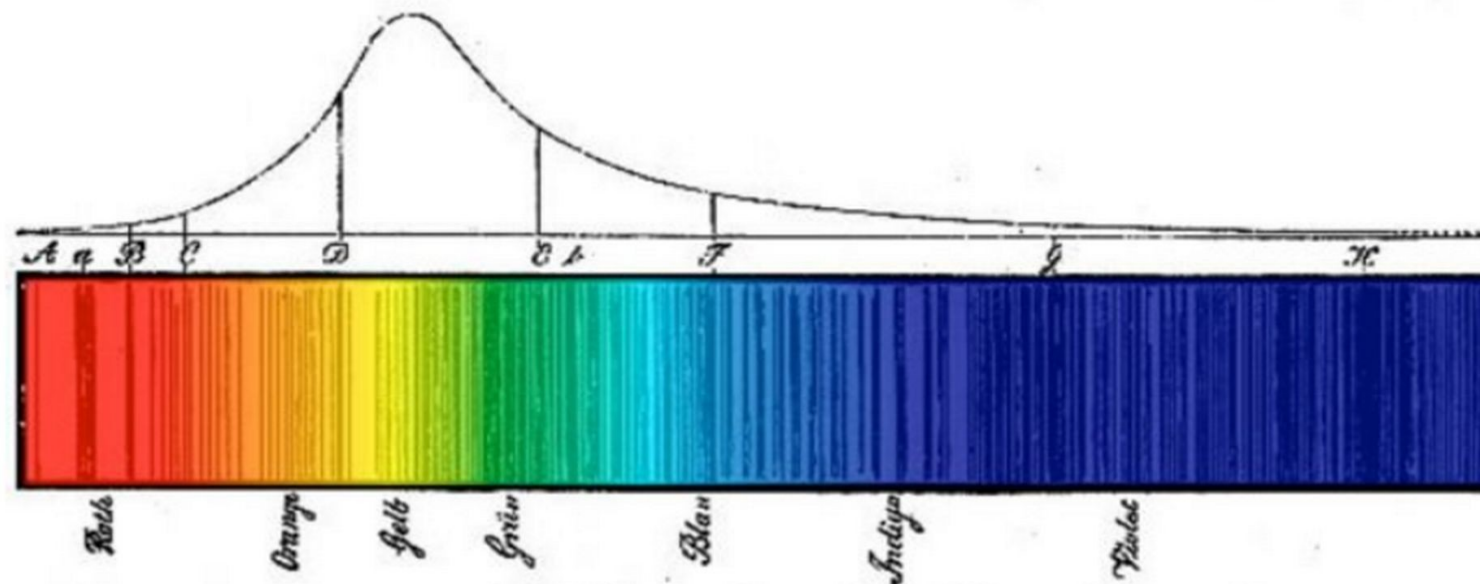
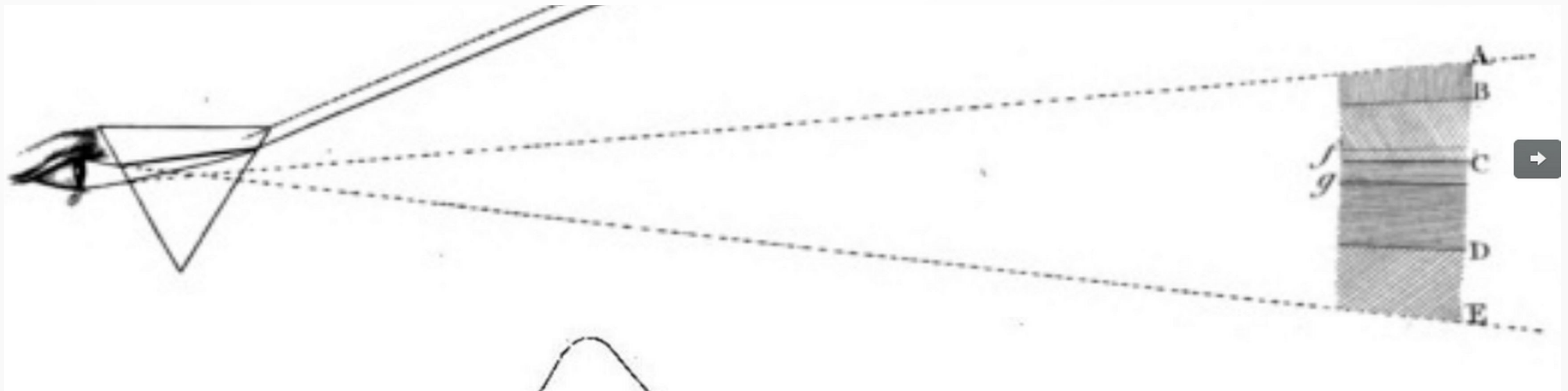


Isaac Newton



Spectrometers: a little of history

- The next step

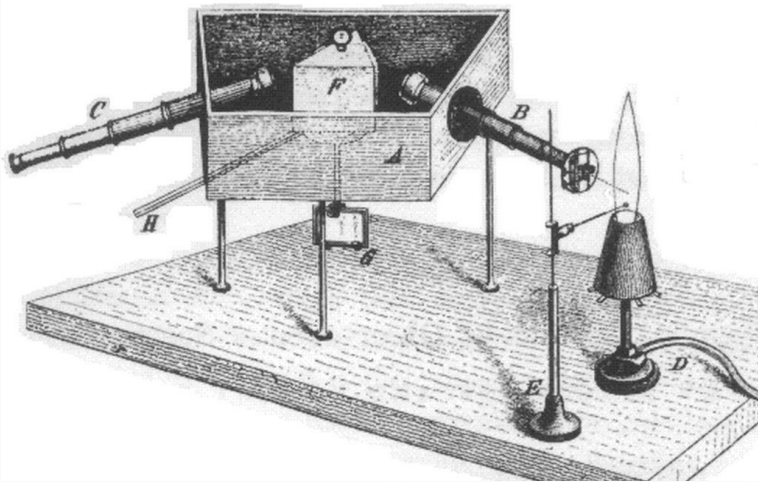


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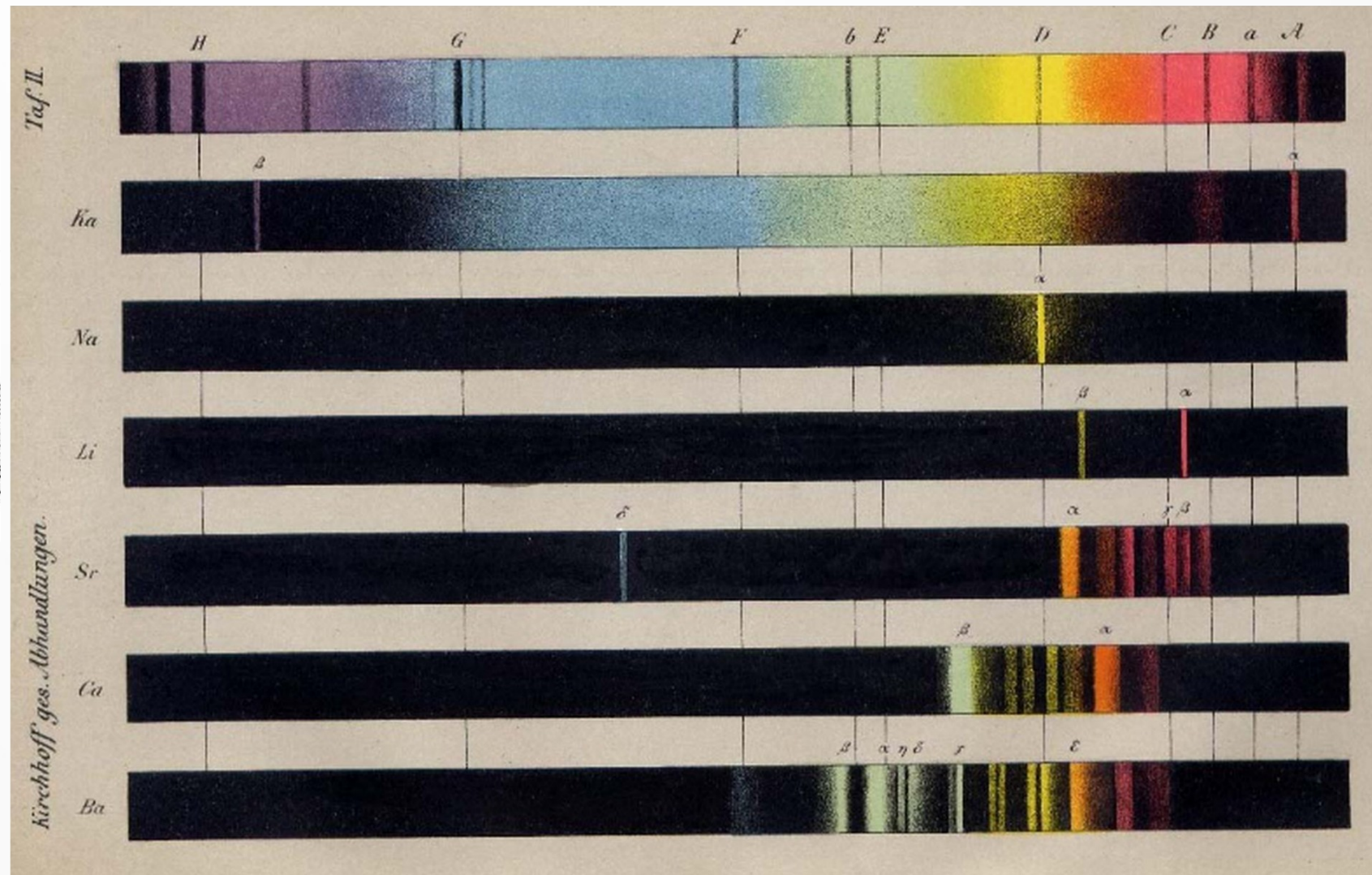
J. Fraunhofer

Spectrometers: a little of history

- What is the universe made of ? No Nobel price...



G. Kirchhoff & R. Bunsen



Spectrometers: a little of history

- Prism → diffraction grating (echelle,...)
- No 2D spectrometers (narrow slit → 2D area) used in astronomy until 40ties
- Sun as a 2D object ~ 1D slit of the prism or diffraction grating spectrometers
- (Solar observations in general: 4D problem ~ time: X, Y, λ , polarization ~ time)
- Lyot: at least X, Y for λ_i at the same time



Lyot-Ohman filter

B. Lyot @ Pic du Midi

- Lyot's spectral instruments:
 - Prism
 - diffraction grating
- Lyot: at least X,Y for λ_i at the same time
- No narrow slit!
- 2D area as entrance
- Task: select the desired λ_i and block the rest λ for a 2D FoV

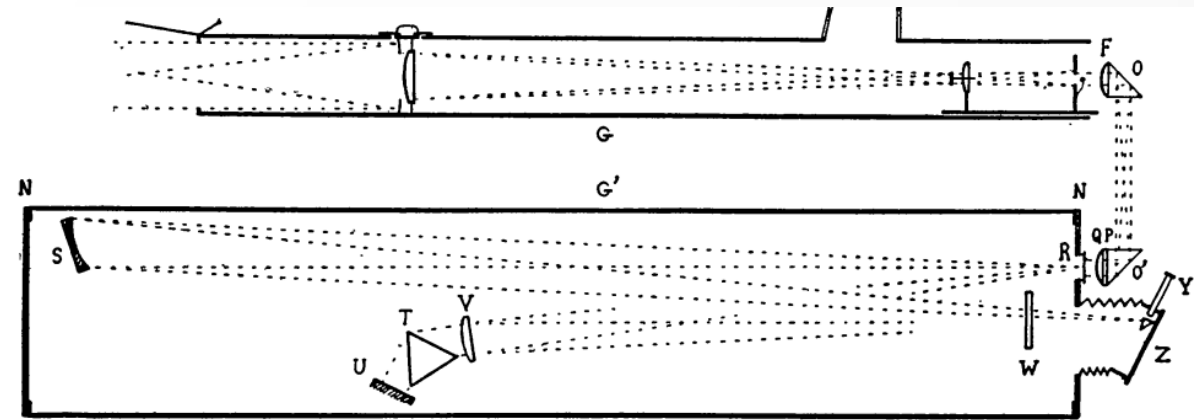


FIG. 6.—Plan of the coronagraph and the spectrographs used in 1931.

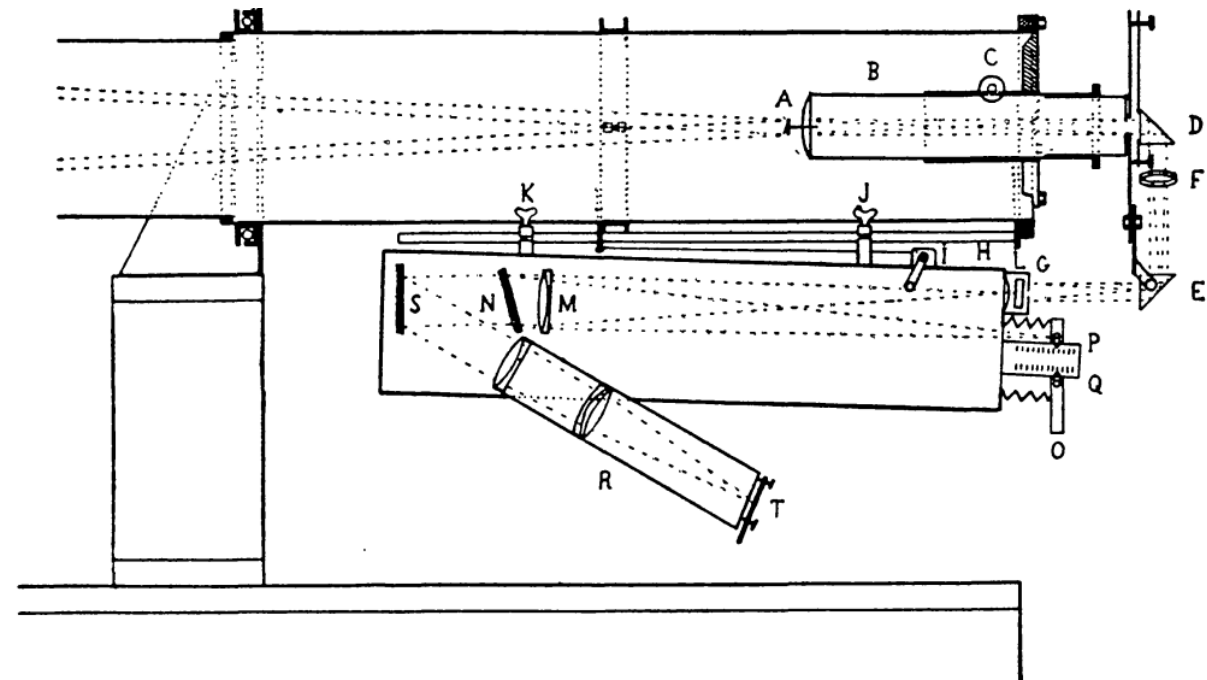


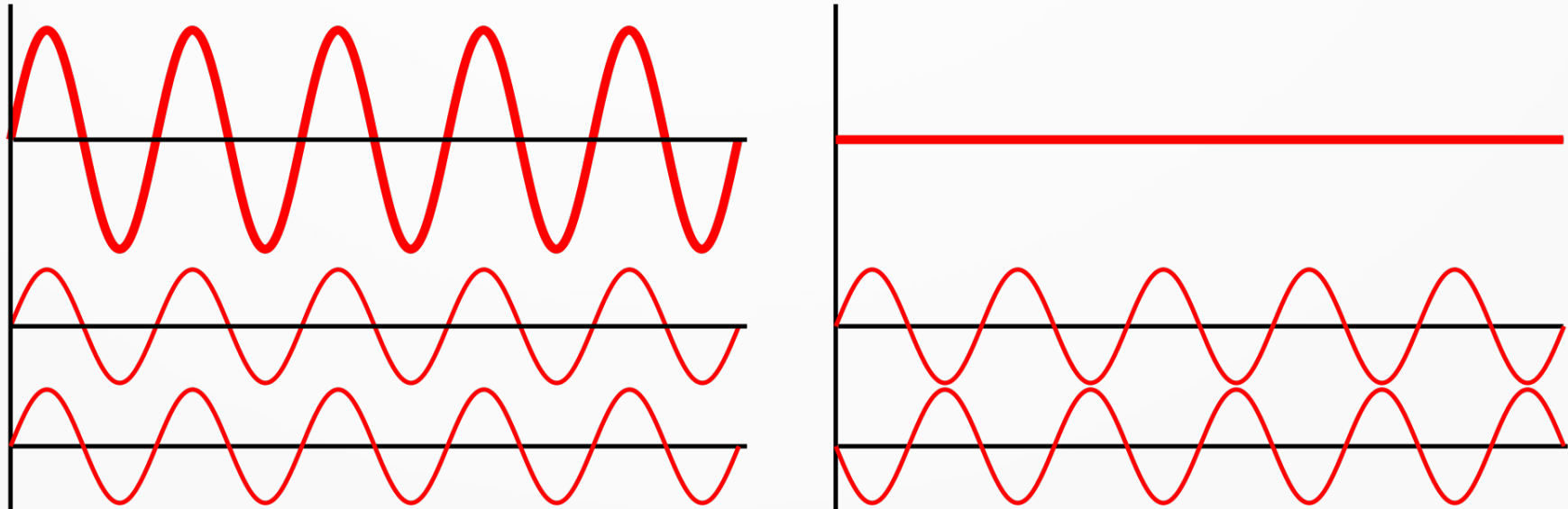
FIG. 7.—Plan of the final coronagraph and the spectrograph used since 1935.

B. Lyot @ PdM or in Paris

- Task: select the desired λ_i and block the rest λ for a 2D FoV
- Possibilities: light and its properties – electromagnetic transverse waves and interference & diffraction & polarization & scattering

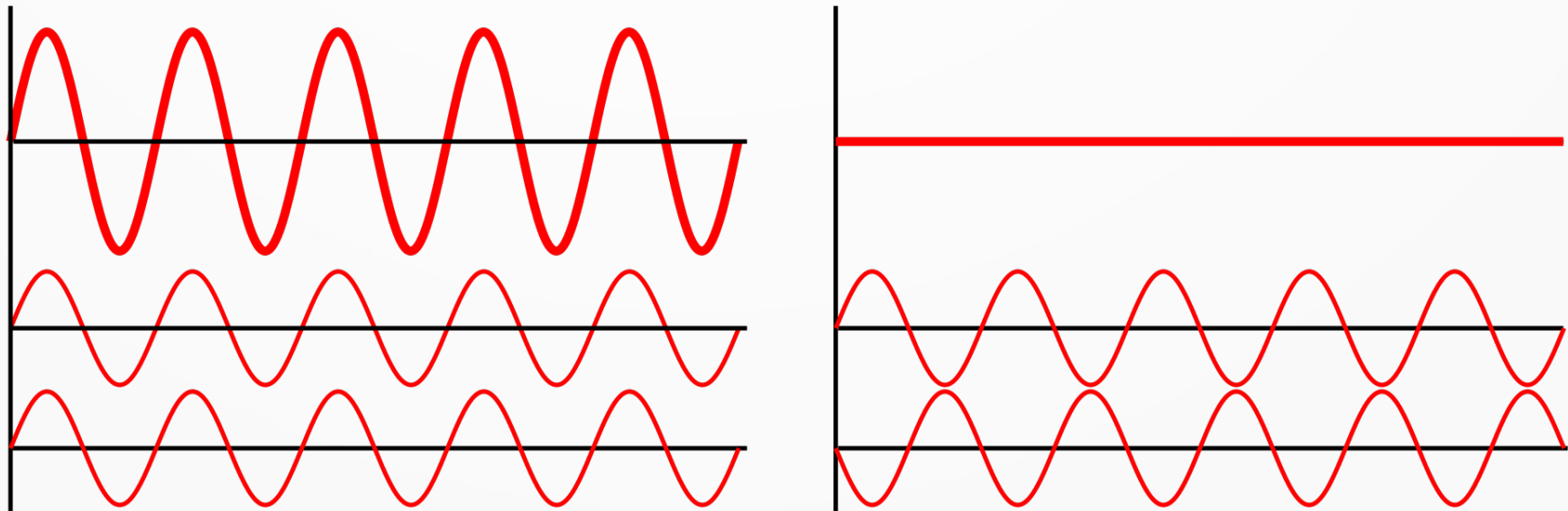
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- electromagnetic transverse waves and interference:
 - Wiki: interference is a phenomenon in which two coherent waves are combined by adding their intensities or displacements with due consideration for their phase difference → constructive or destructive interference if the two waves are in phase or out of phase, respectively.



B. Lyot @ PdM or in Paris

- Wiki: Two monochromatic beams from a single source always interfere. Beams from different sources are mutually incoherent.
- JR: also the same linear polarization plane (or opposite circular polarization) are required to get interference



B. Lyot @ PdM or in Paris

- How to make phase difference for light from 2D FoV? Probably a 3D object of the homogeneous properties over at least one 2D side generating the phase difference in the 3rd dimension
- Basic course of optics: also prisms, cubes, polarizers – boring... Not for Lyot!
- Promising solution: birefringence crystals! Really? It is a toy!

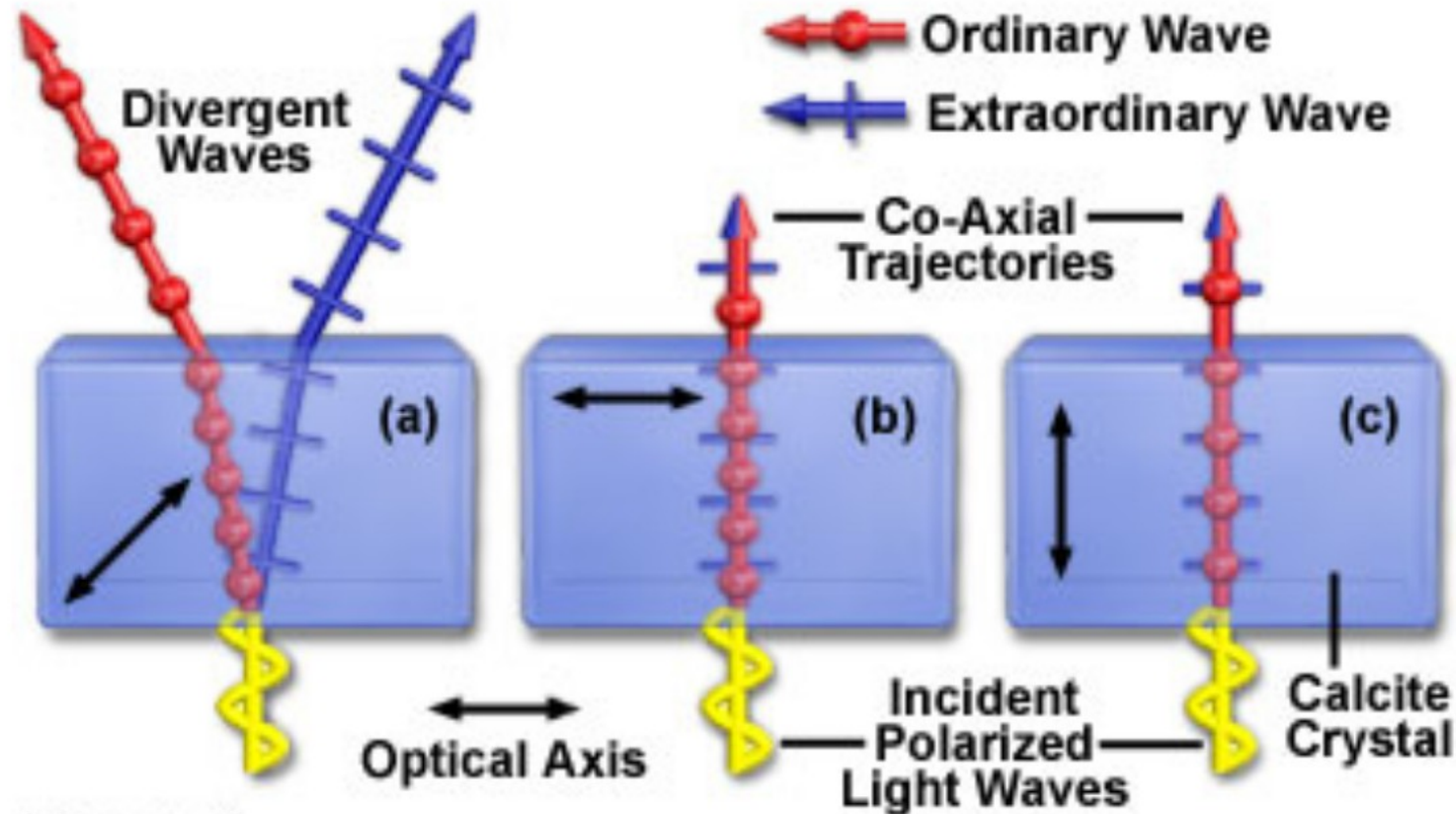


B. Lyot @ PdM or in Paris

- *Following: Wenda Cao, (BBSO/NJIT, USA): Lecture07: Filters*
- Birefringence (double refraction) is the decomposition of a ray of light into two rays when it passes through certain anisotropic material (birefringent crystal), such as crystals of calcite.
- When a beam of light is incident on a birefringent crystal, the waves are split upon entry into orthogonal polarized components: ordinary and extraordinary.
- o and e components travel through the molecular lattice along different pathways, depending on their orientation with respect to the crystalline optical axis – $\mathbf{n}_e \neq \mathbf{n}_o$

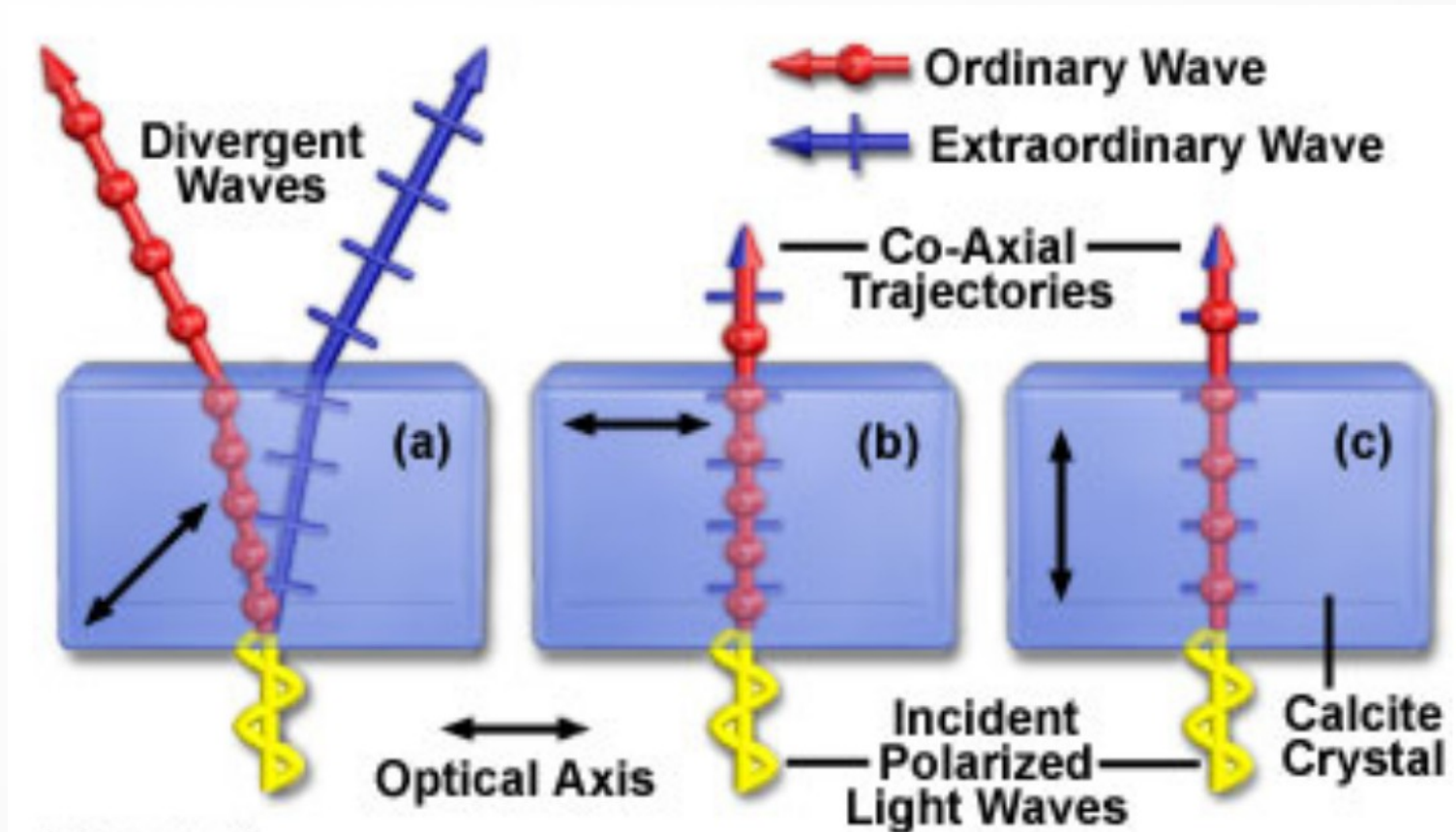
B. Lyot @ PdM or in Paris

- Light passing through a birefringent crystal:
 - Oblique: o and e diverge and follow different paths, and o travels faster
 - Parallel: o and e wavefront coincide in amplitude, phase, and trajectory
 - Perpendicular: no divergence between o and e, o wave still travels at a higher speed than does e wave. **Bingo!**



B. Lyot @ PdM or in Paris

- Light passing through a birefringent crystal:
 - Perpendicular: no divergence between o and e, o wave still travels at a higher speed than does e wave. **Bingo!**
 - Not exactly: the output o and e beams are of linear polarization with mutually orthogonal planes!



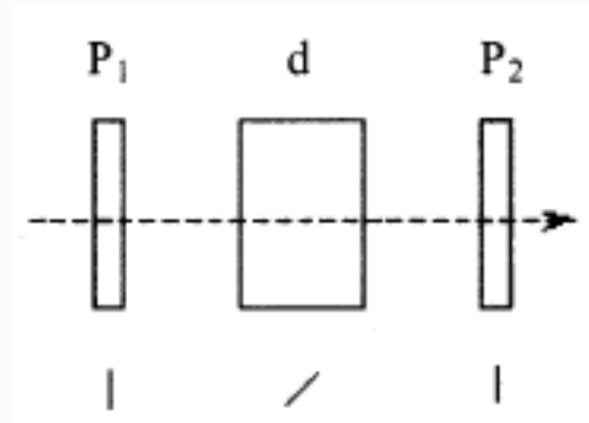
B. Lyot @ PdM or in Paris

- Perpendicular entry: o and e beam speed differ
- Birefringent index $\mu = n_e - n_o$
- Crystal of thickness d with a phase delay δ

$$\delta = \frac{2\pi(\Delta OPL)}{\lambda} = \frac{2\pi d(n_e - n_o)}{\lambda} = \frac{2\pi\mu d}{\lambda}$$

- Consider a birefringent crystal of a thickness of d , which is placed between two linear polarizers with the same polarization direction. Assume the optical axis of the crystal is 45° with respect to the polarization directions of linear polarizer \rightarrow the transmitted light is

$$T = \cos^2\left(\frac{\delta}{2}\right) = \cos^2\left(\frac{\mu d}{\lambda} \pi\right) = \cos^2(\sigma\pi)$$



B. Lyot @ PdM or in Paris

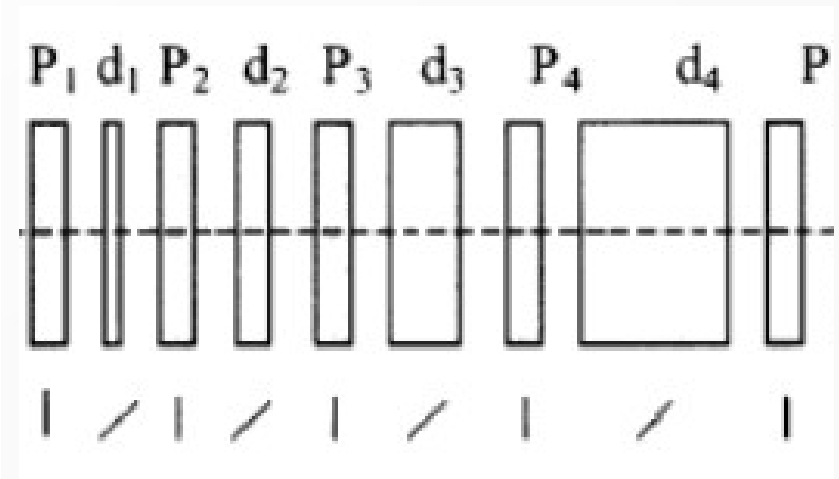
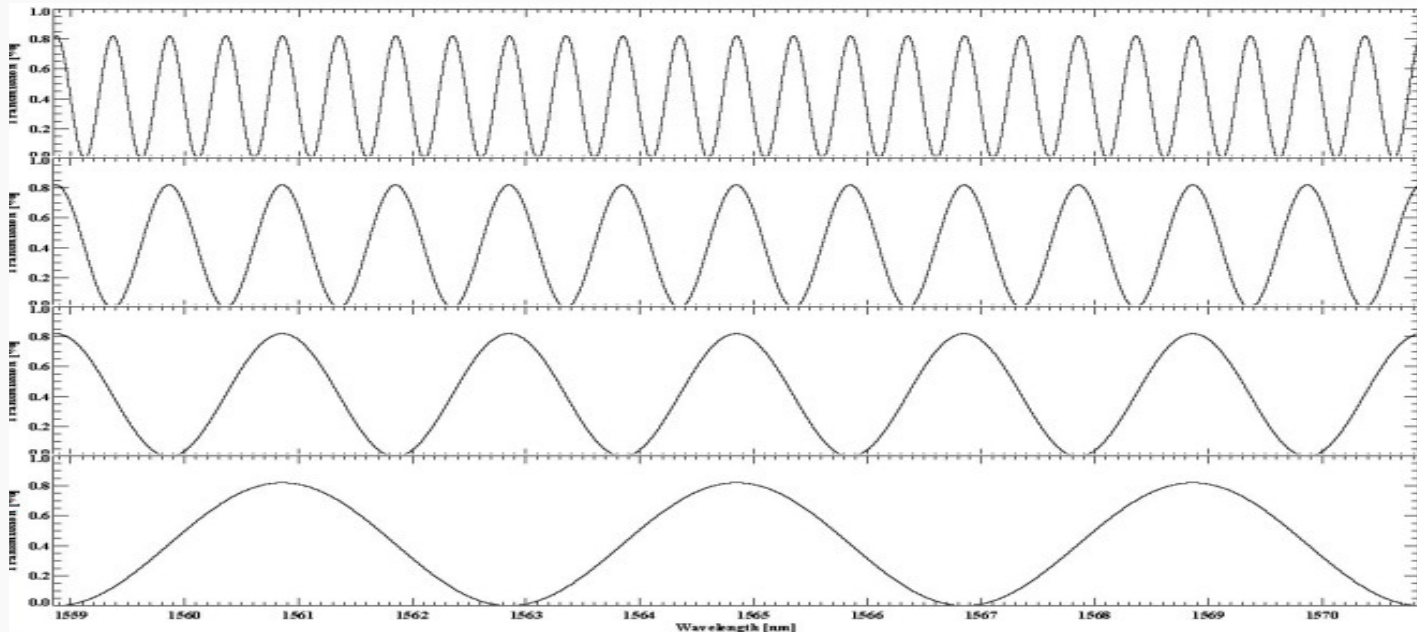
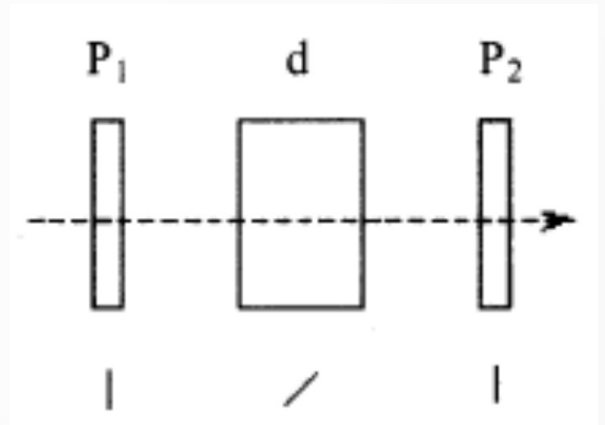
- d_1

$$T_1 = \cos^2\left(\frac{\delta_1}{2}\right) = \cos^2\left(\frac{\mu d_1}{\lambda} \pi\right) = \cos^2(\sigma_1 \pi)$$

- $d_2 = 2 * d_1$

$$T_2 = \cos^2\left(\frac{\delta_2}{2}\right) = \cos^2\left(\frac{\mu d_2}{\lambda} \pi\right) = \cos^2(\sigma_2 \pi) = \cos^2(2\sigma_1 \pi)$$

- $d_3 = 2 * d_2 = 4 * d_1, d_4 = 8 * d_1$



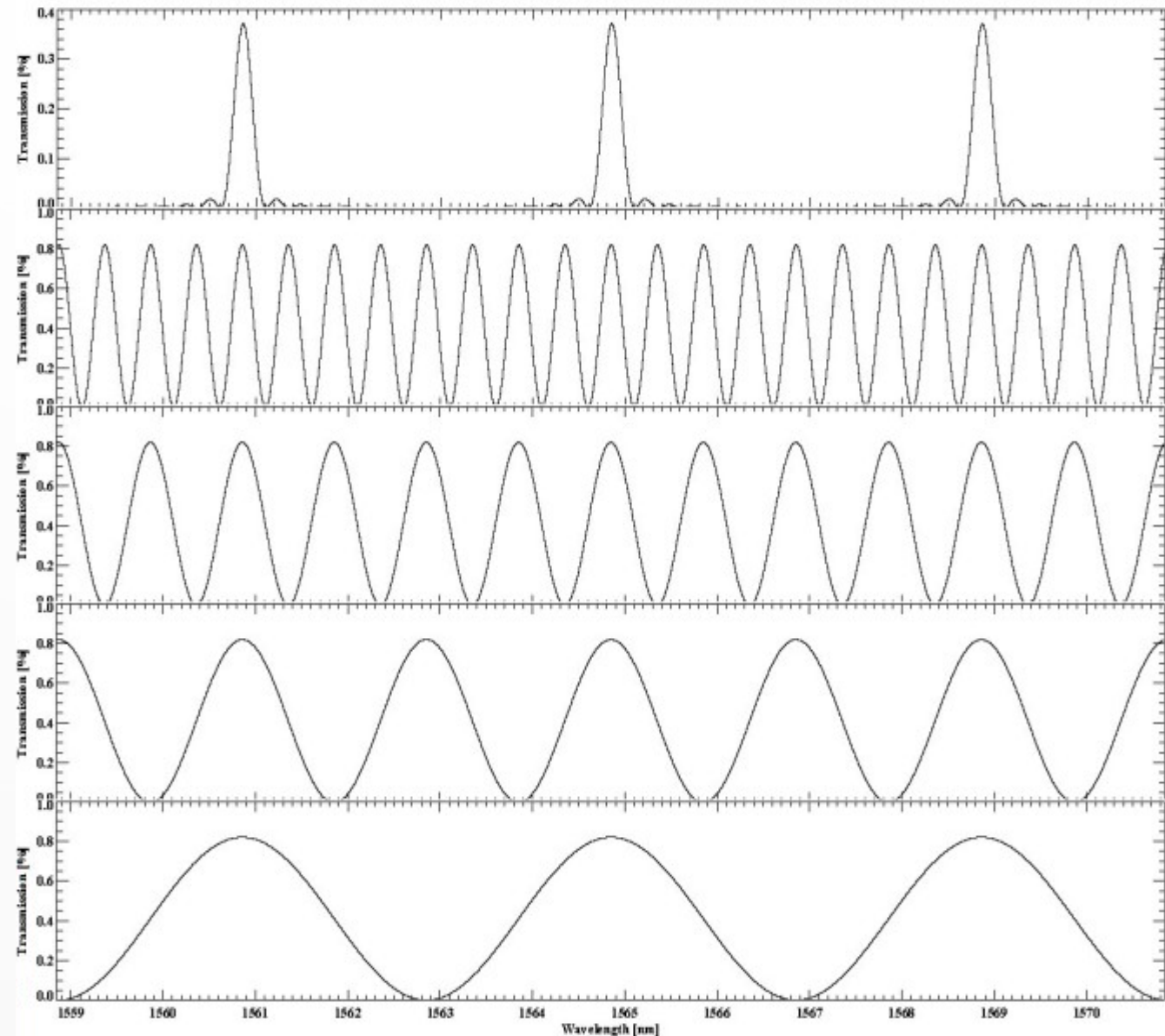
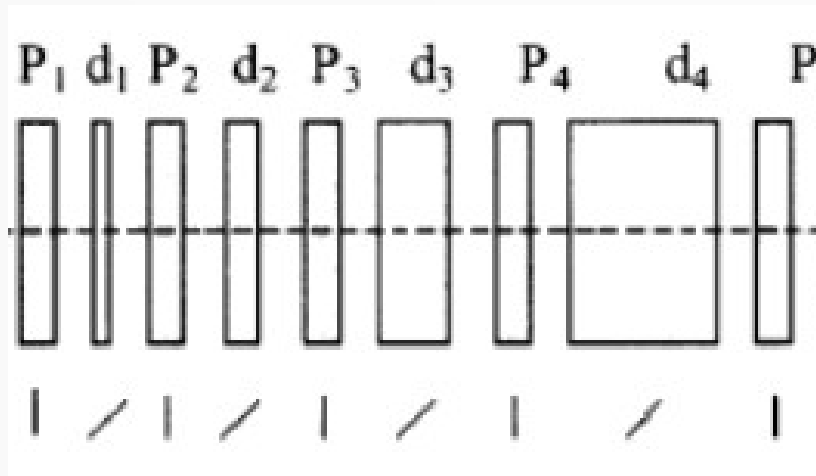
B. Lyot @ PdM or in Paris

- $D_1, D_2, D_3, D_4 \rightarrow T = T_1 * T_3 * T_3 * T_{14}$

$$T = T_1 T_2 T_3 T_4$$

$$= \cos^2\left(\frac{\mu d_1}{\lambda} \pi\right) \cos^2\left(\frac{\mu d_2}{\lambda} \pi\right) \cos^2\left(\frac{\mu d_3}{\lambda} \pi\right) \cos^2\left(\frac{\mu d_4}{\lambda} \pi\right)$$

$$= \cos^2(\sigma_1 \pi) \cos^2(2\sigma_1 \pi) \cos^2(4\sigma_1 \pi) \cos^2(8\sigma_1 \pi)$$



B. Lyot @ PdM or in Paris

- Full Width at Half Maximum (FWHM): determined by the thickness of the thickest stage d_{thick}

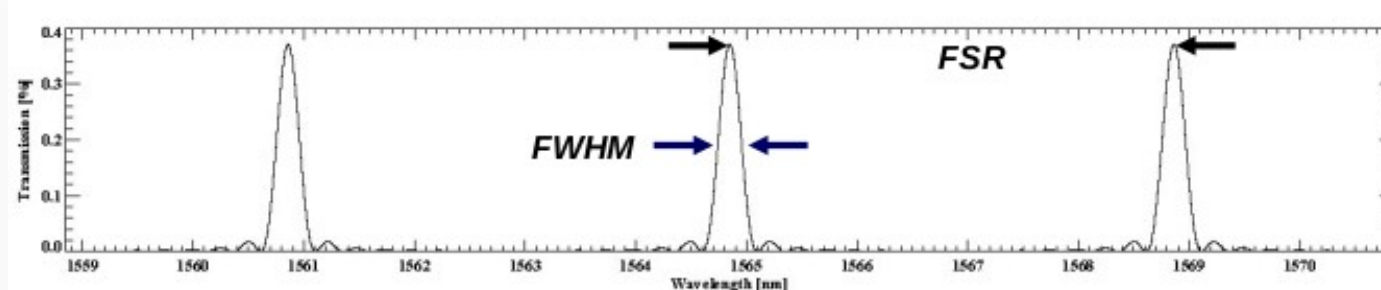
$$\Delta\lambda_{FWHM} = \frac{\lambda^2}{2\mu d_{\text{thick}}}$$

- Free Spectral Range (FSR): determined by the thickness of the thinnest stage d_{thin}

$$FSR = \frac{\lambda^2}{\mu d_{\text{thin}}}$$

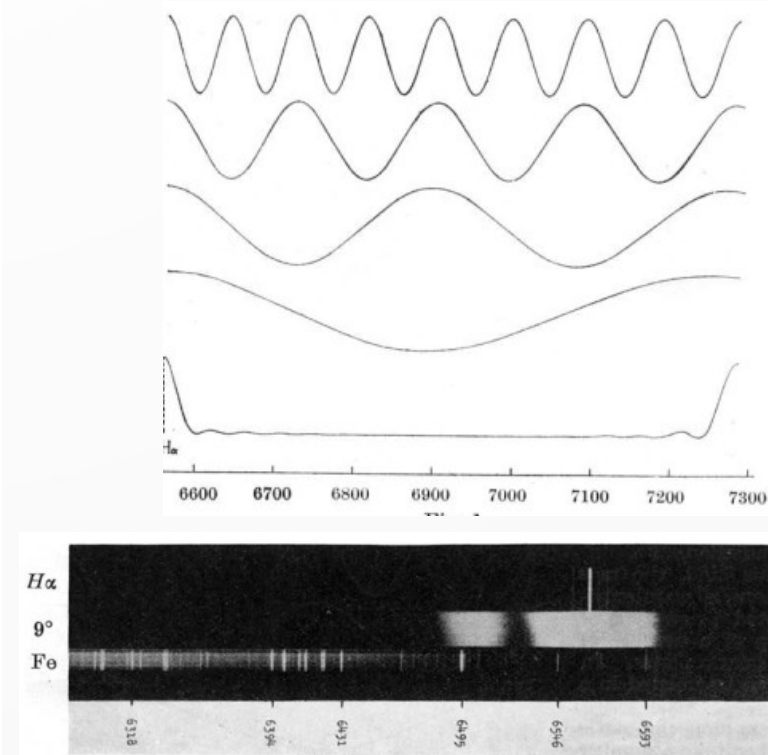
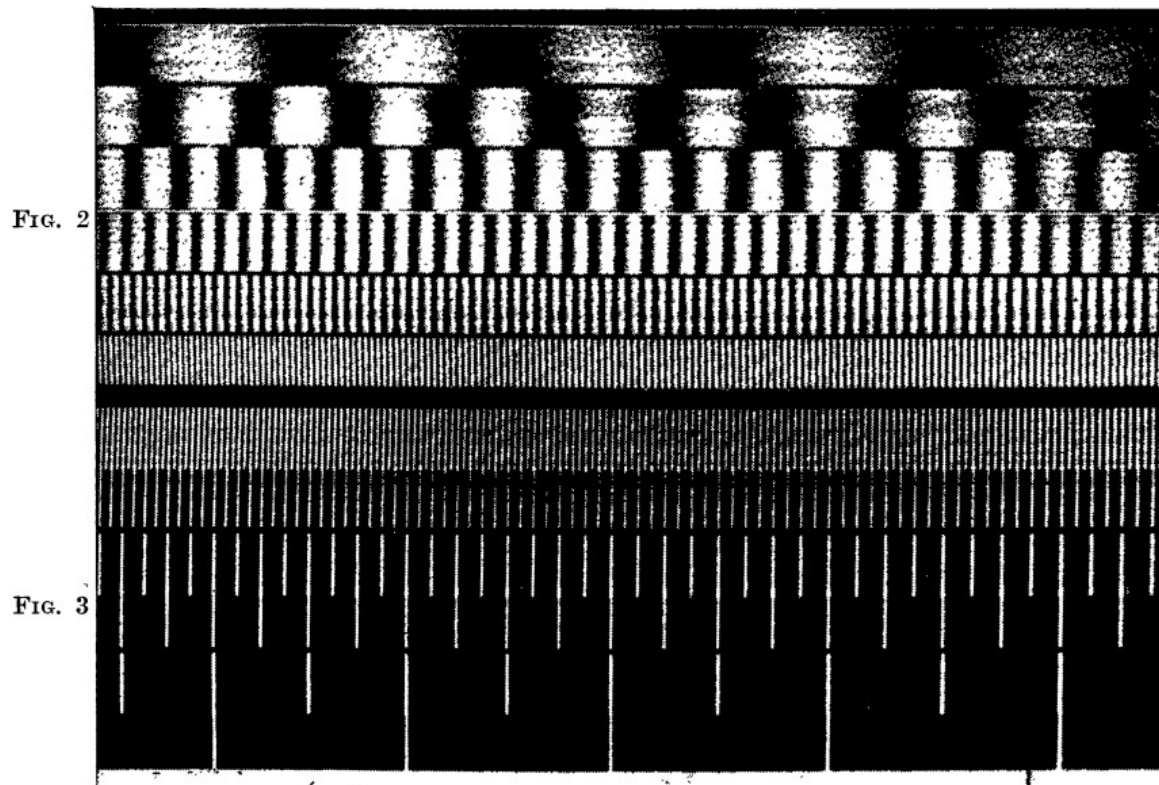
- for a Lyot filter with n stages, $d_{\text{thick}} = (2n)d_{\text{thin}}$, so

$$FSR = \frac{\lambda^2}{\mu d_{\text{thin}}} = (4n)\Delta\lambda_{FWHM}$$



B. Lyot + Y. Ohman

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CoMP-S 2D spectropolarimeter

- Coronal Multiline polarimeter for Slovakia
- HAO/NCAR (Boulder, CO, USA): S. Tomzcyk + S. Sewell

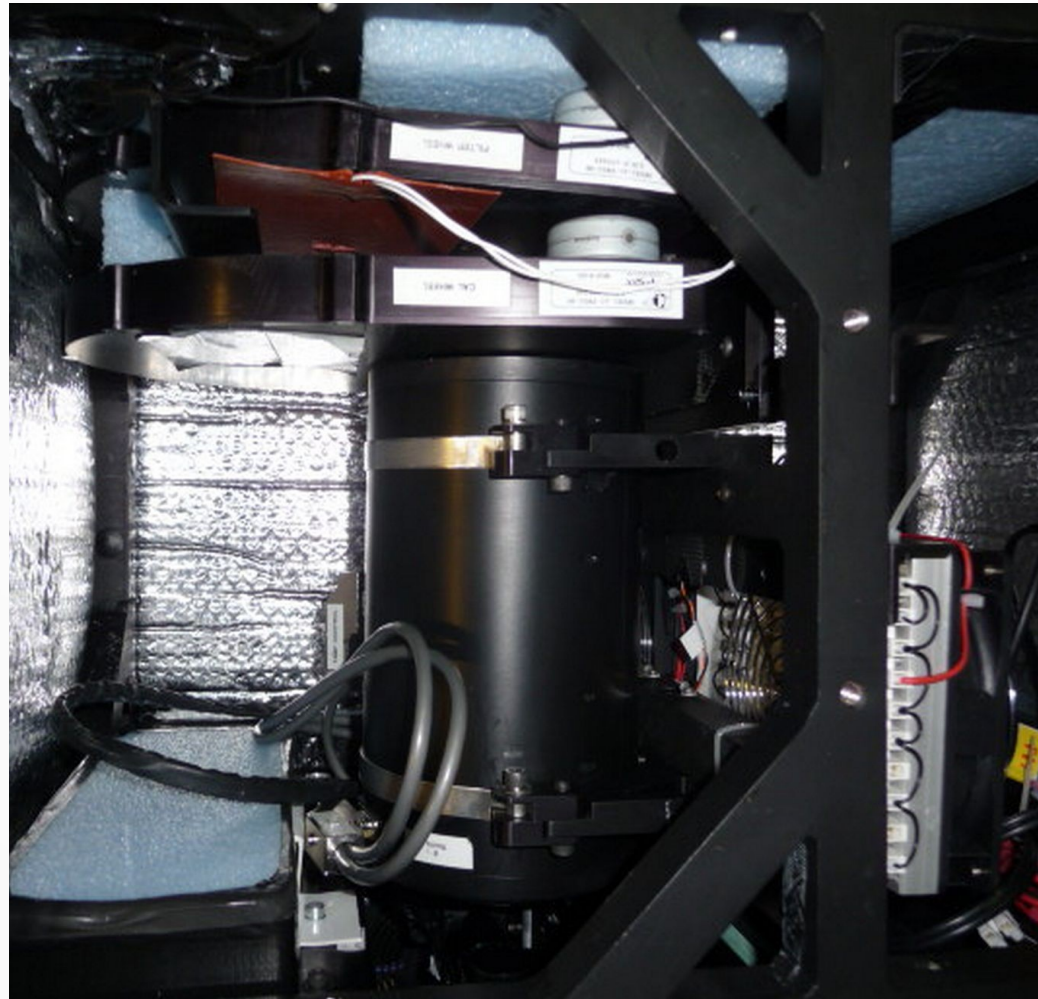
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- two boxes of 2 modules



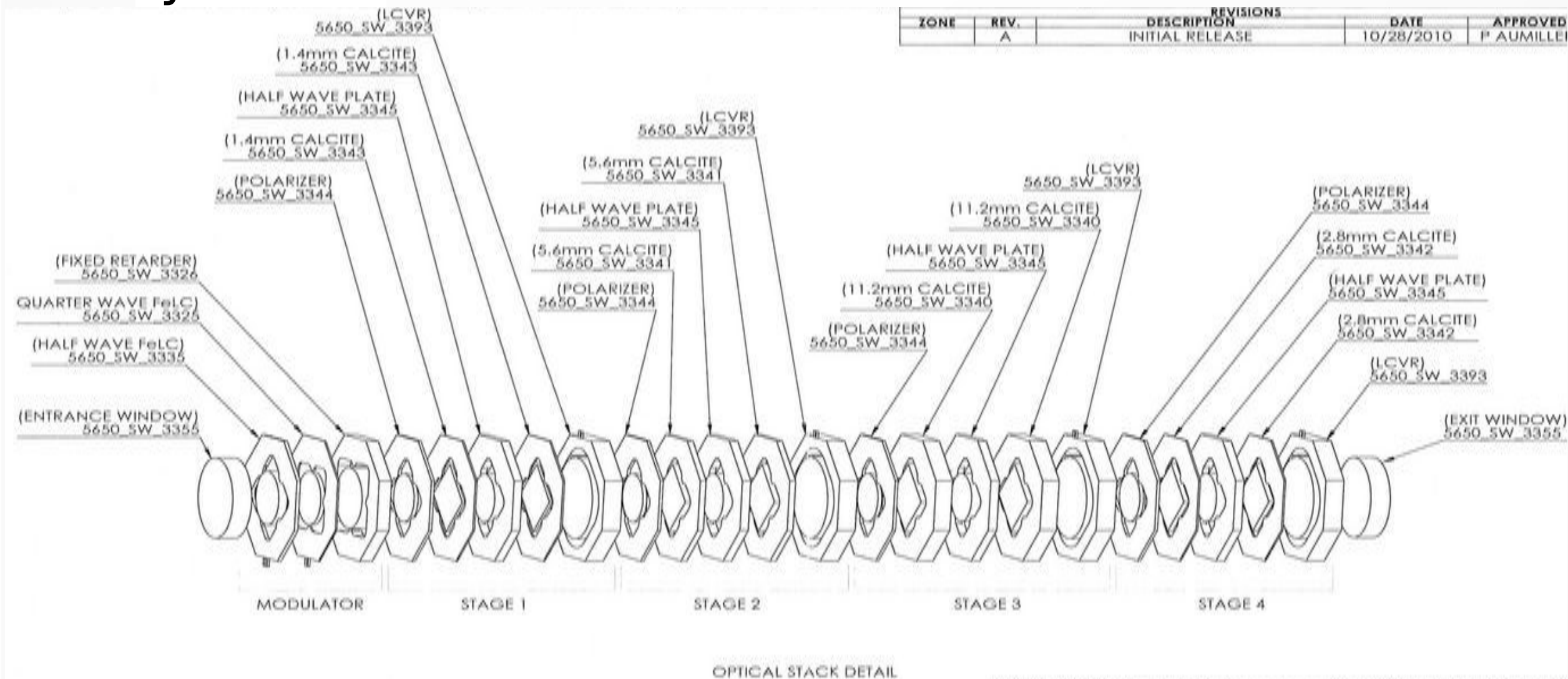
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- filter module: Lyot filter, 2 filter wheels



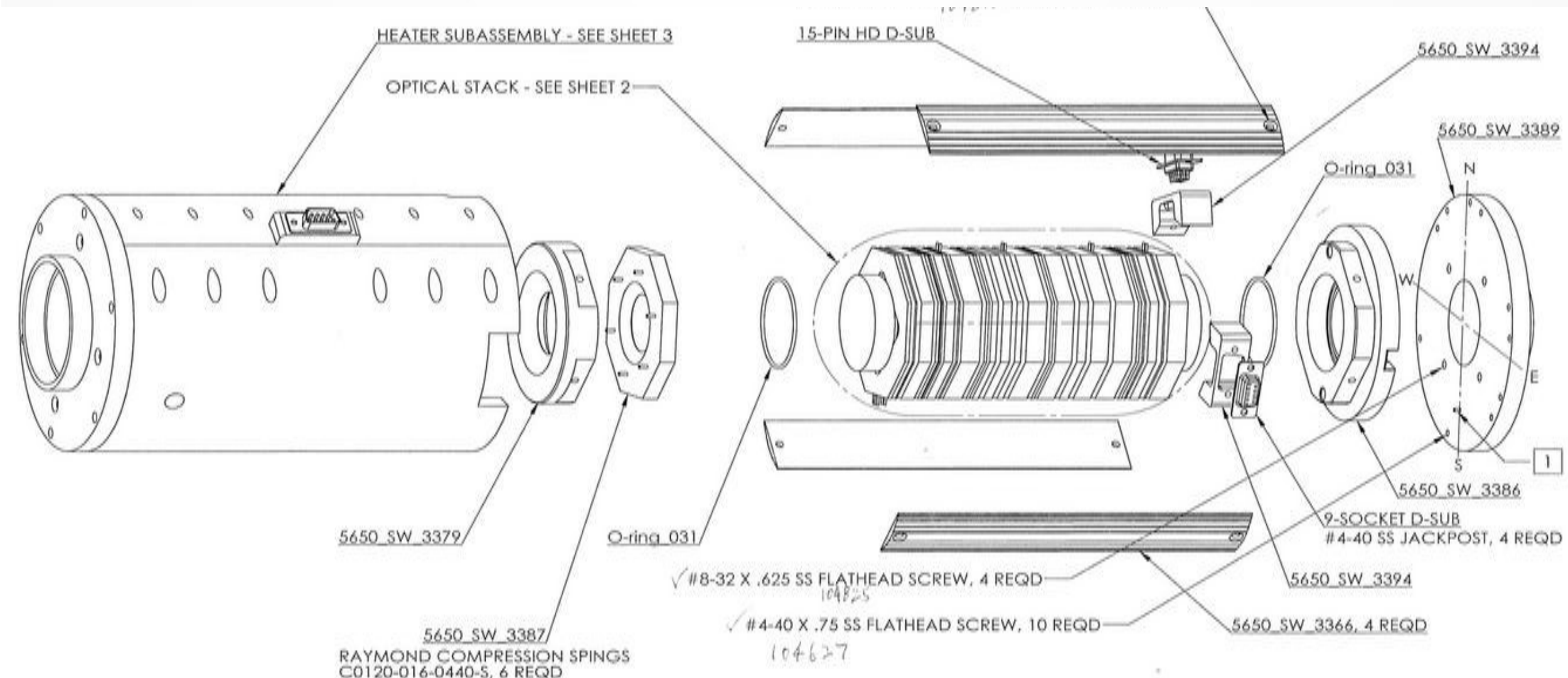
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- Lyot filter



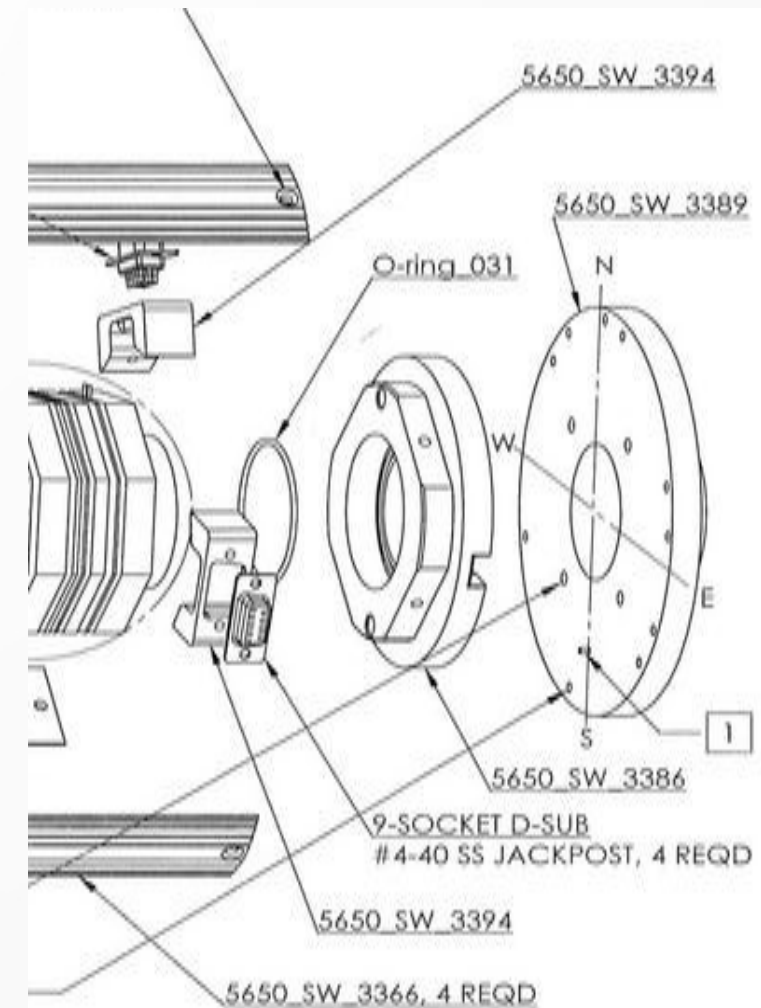
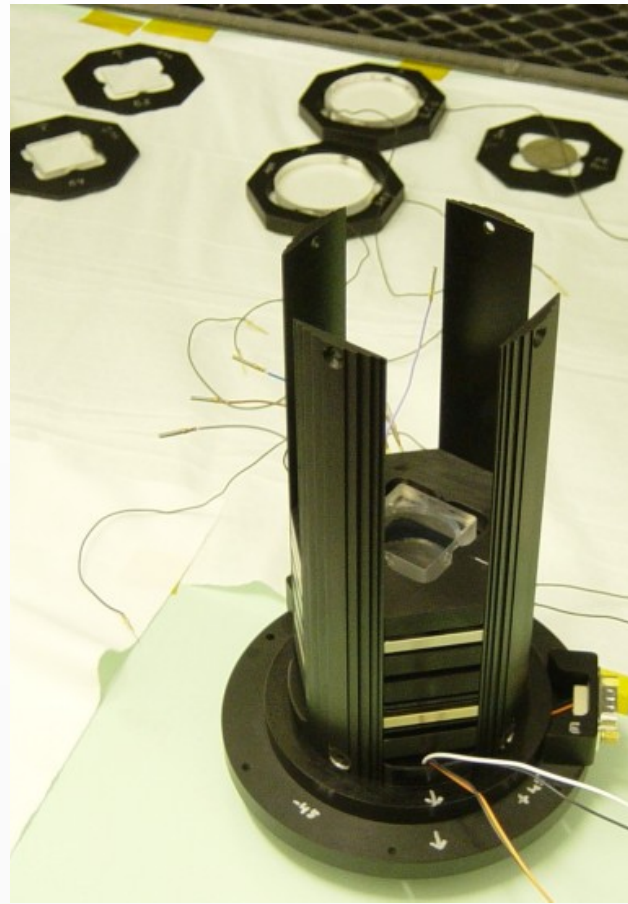
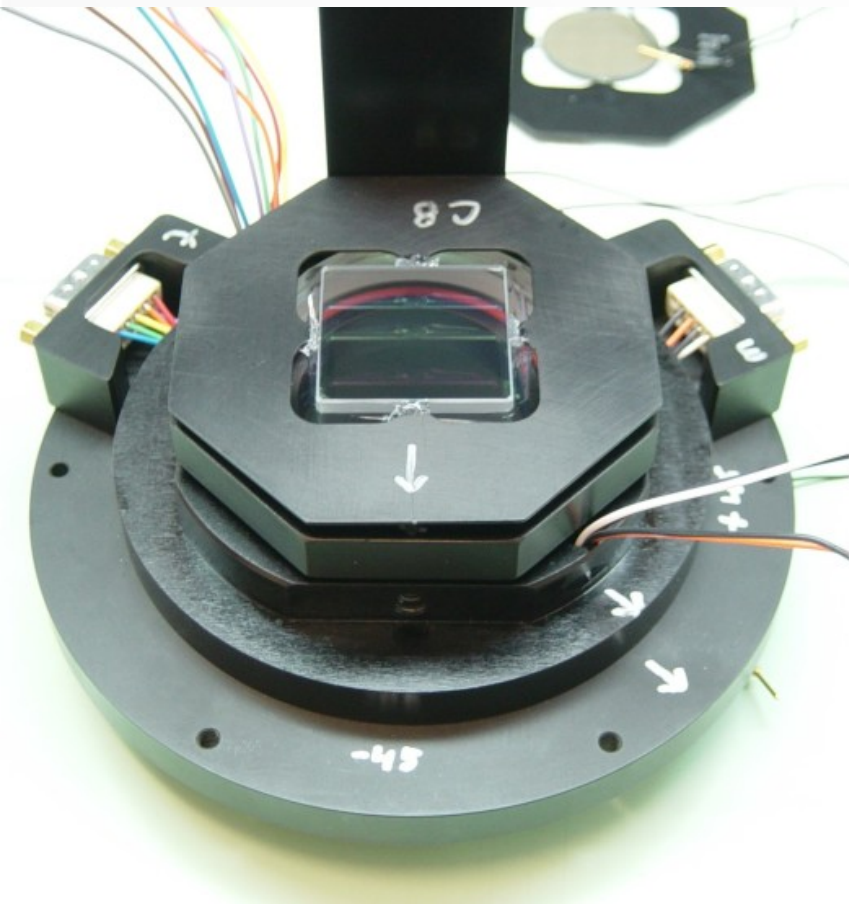
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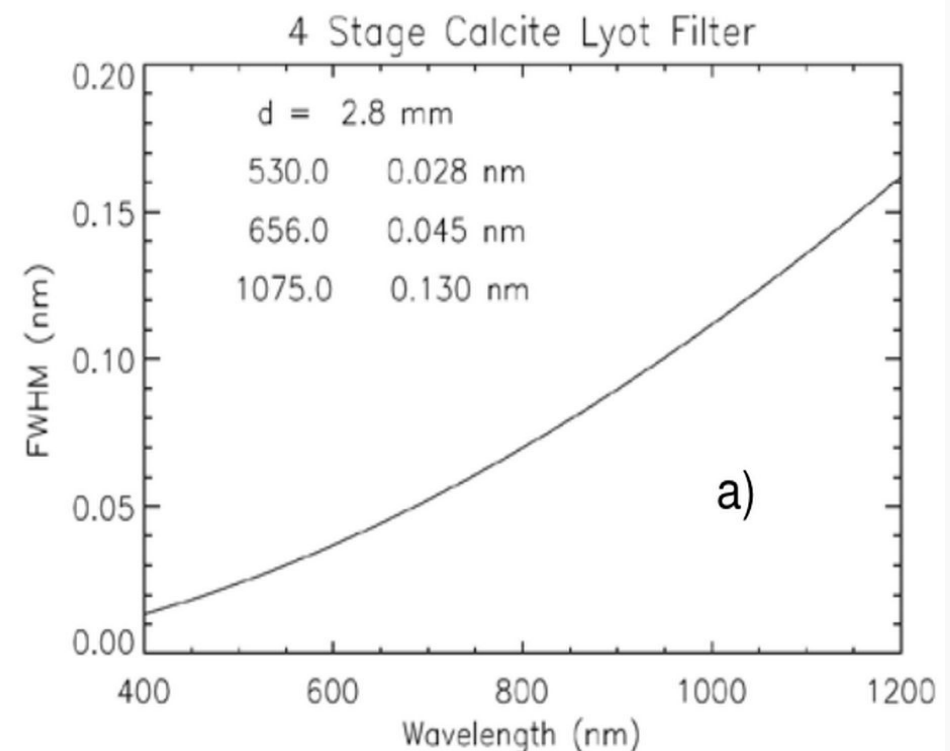
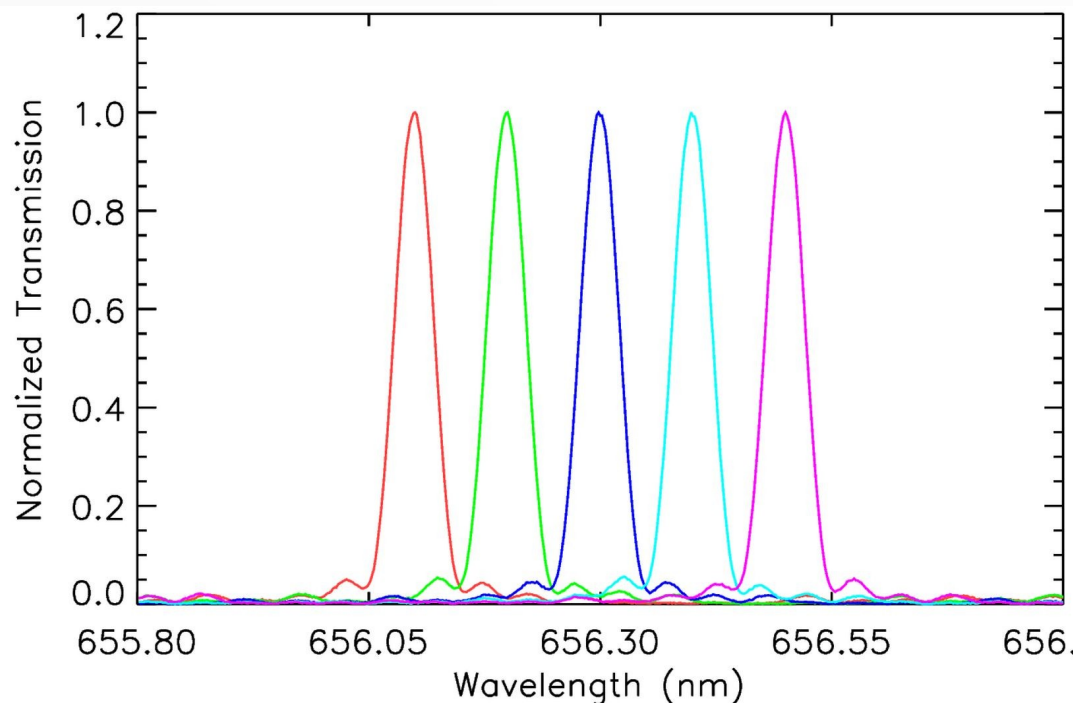
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- Lyot filter



CoMP-S 2D spectropolarimeter

- “Coronal” spectral lines: **Fe X 637 nm** (Fe XIV 530, Fe XIII 1074+1079 nm)
- “Prominence” spectral lines: **He D3 587 nm, H I 656 nm, Ca II 854 nm** (He I 1083 nm)
- LF passband:



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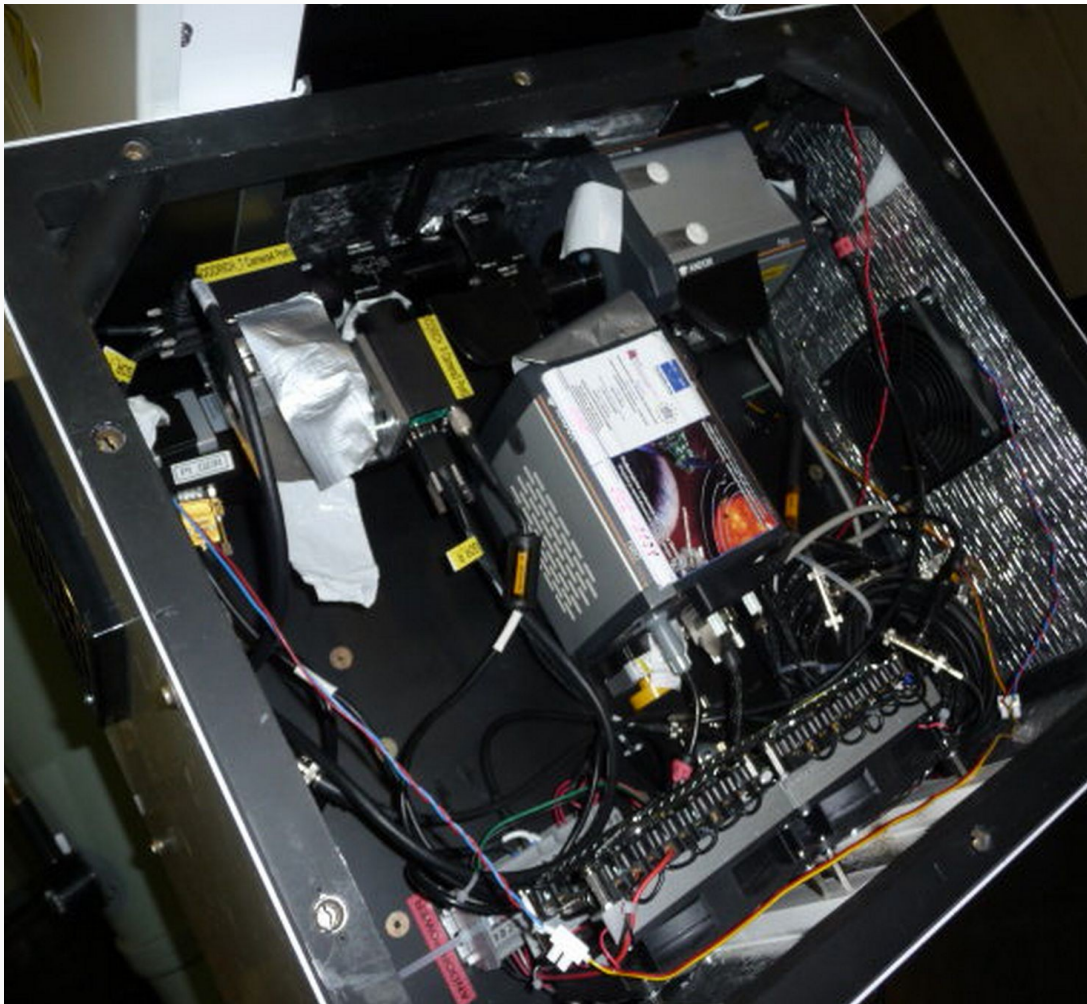
- LT tuning:
 - Temperature (Lyot),
 - Angle (Ohman)



- LCVR: dielectric molecules orientation \sim direct voltage

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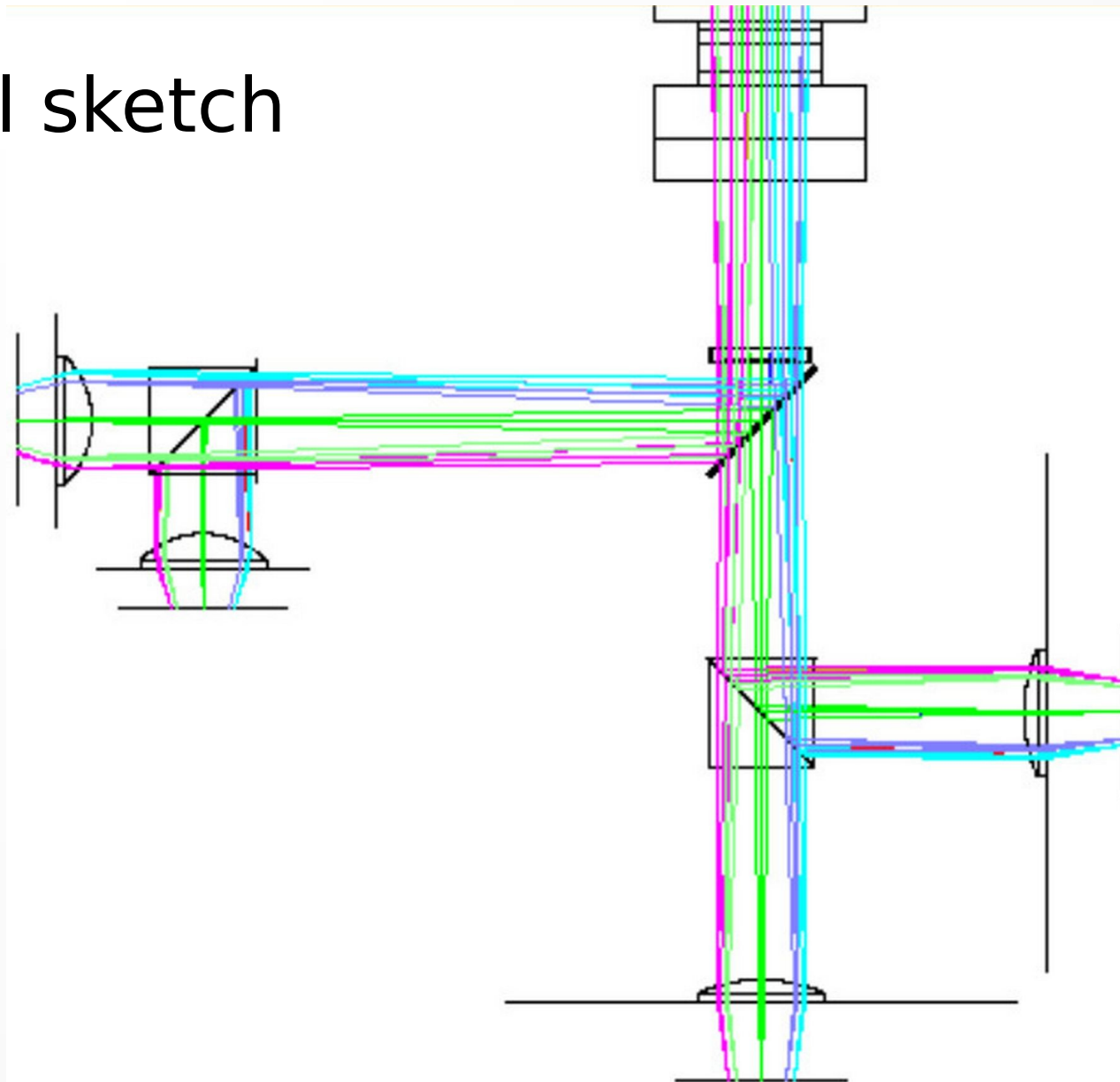
- Camera module: optical + electronic compartments



CoMP-S 2D spectropolarimeter

- Camera module: optical sketch

- Negative lens
- Dichroic mirror
- VIS + IR channels:
polarizing beam splitter
cameras



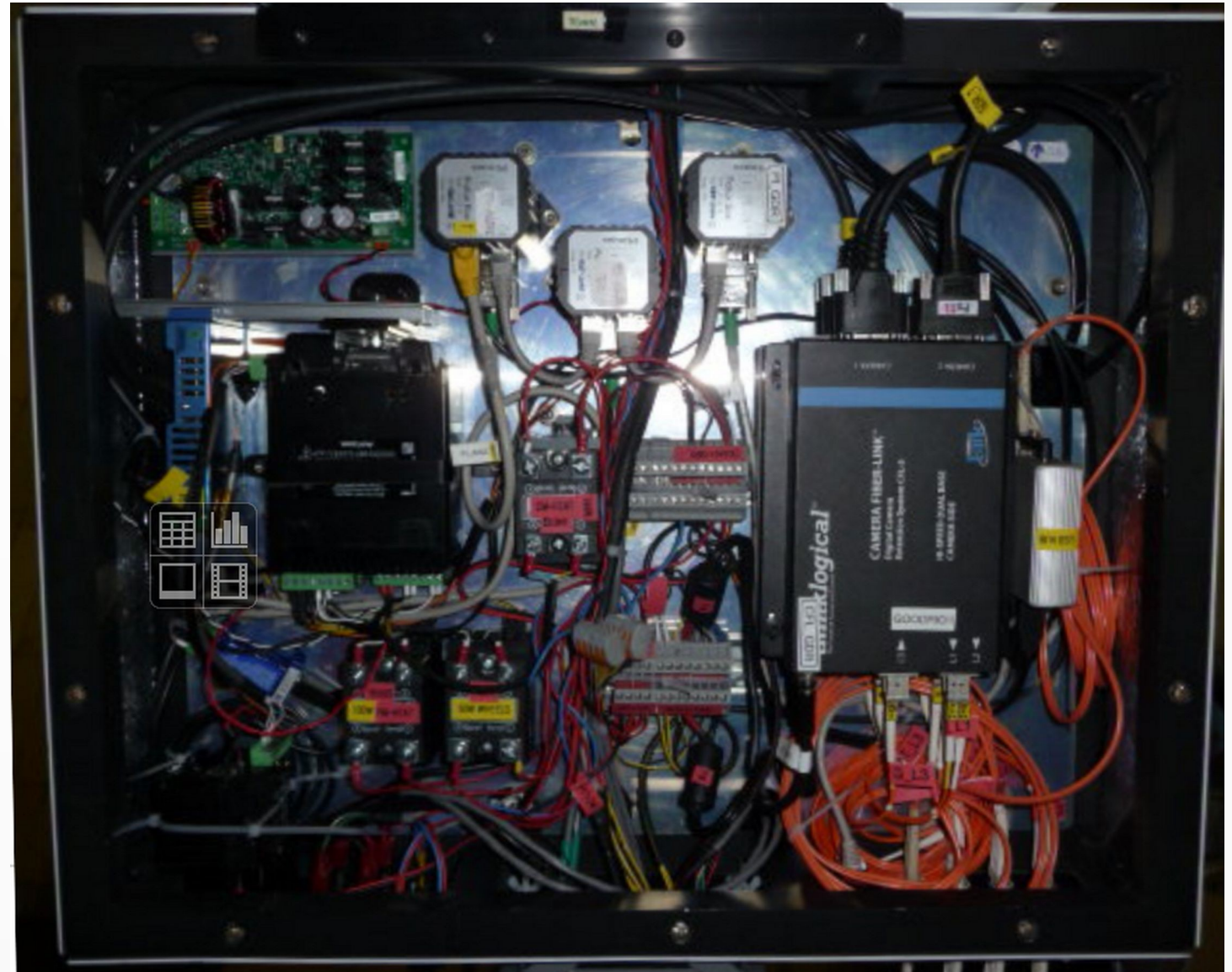
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- Camera module:
opt. compartment



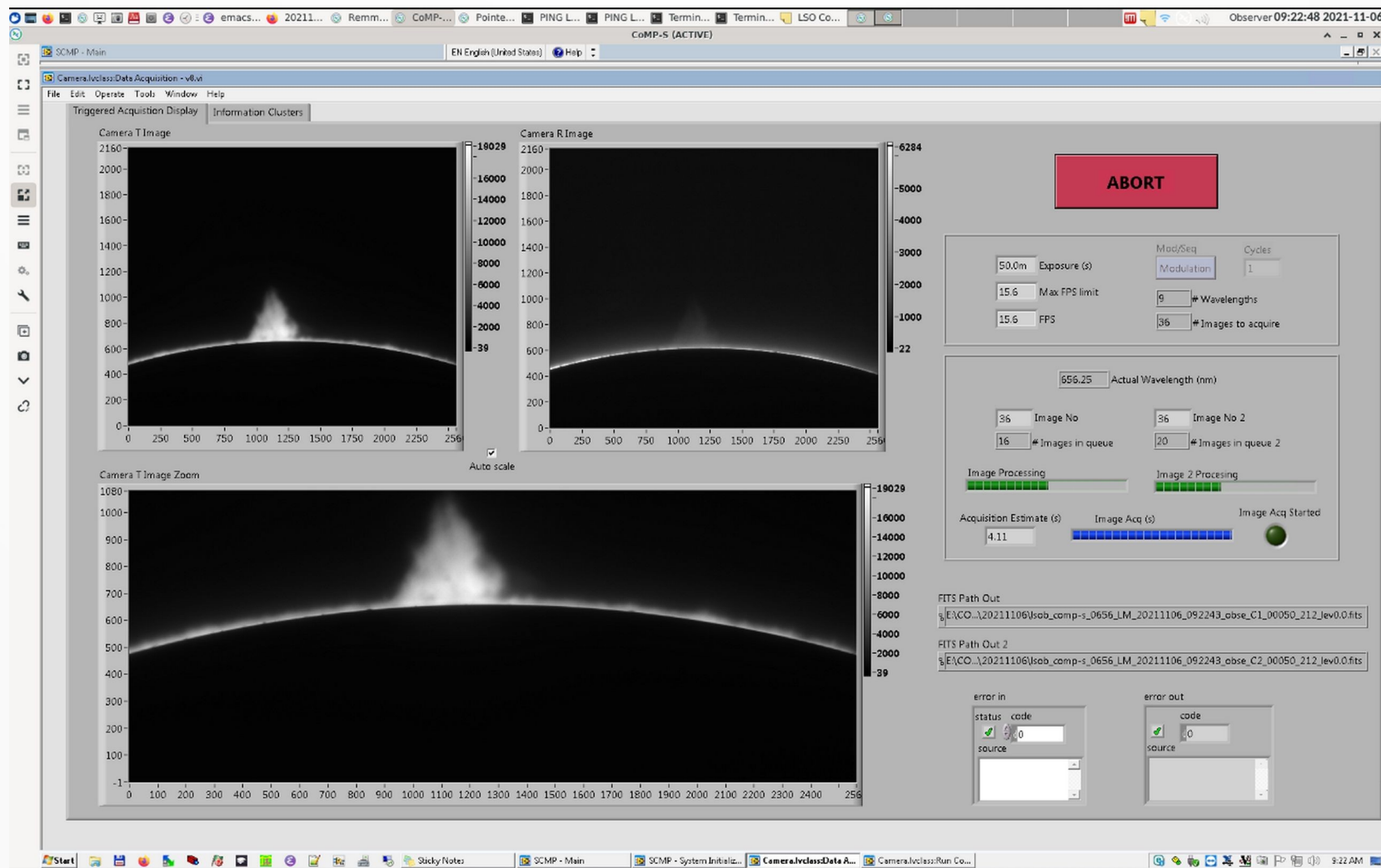
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- Camera module:
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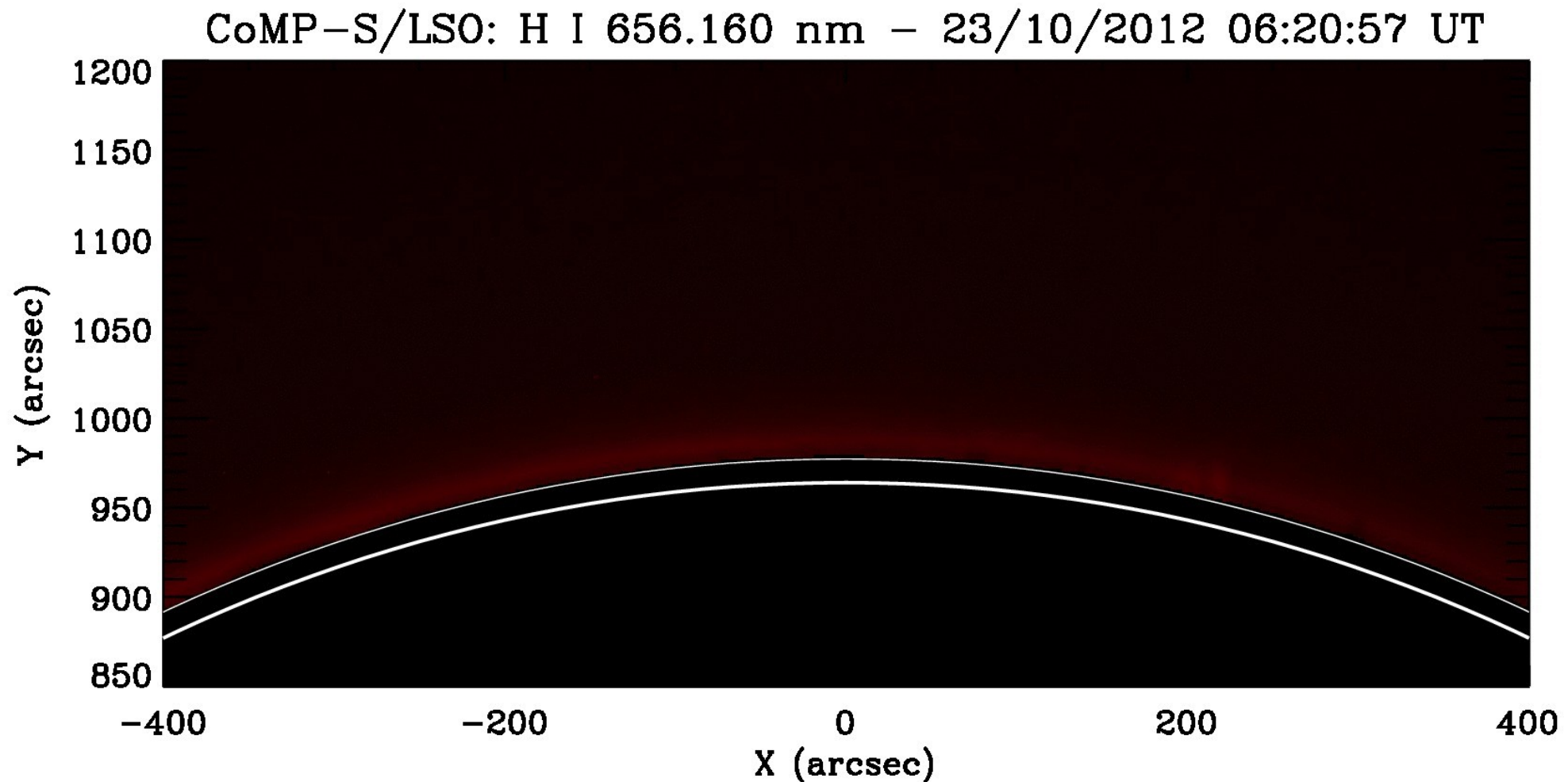
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- Computer operation code(LabVIEW)

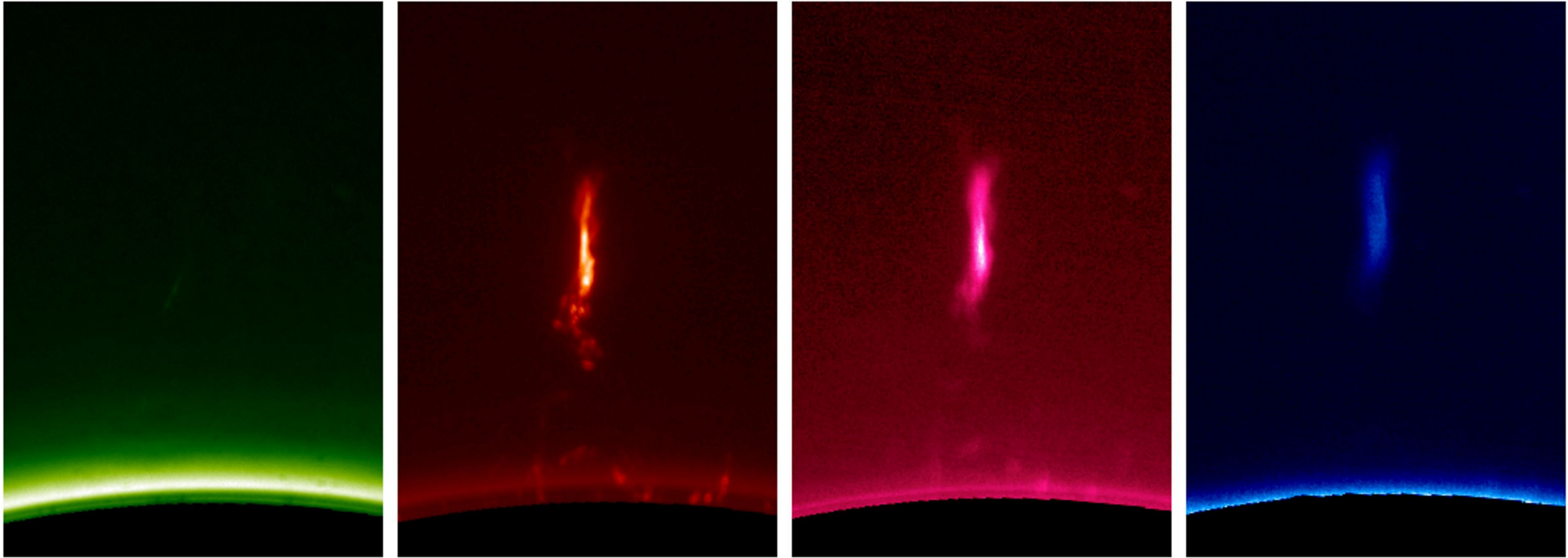


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- Tuning through an emission profile of the spectral line



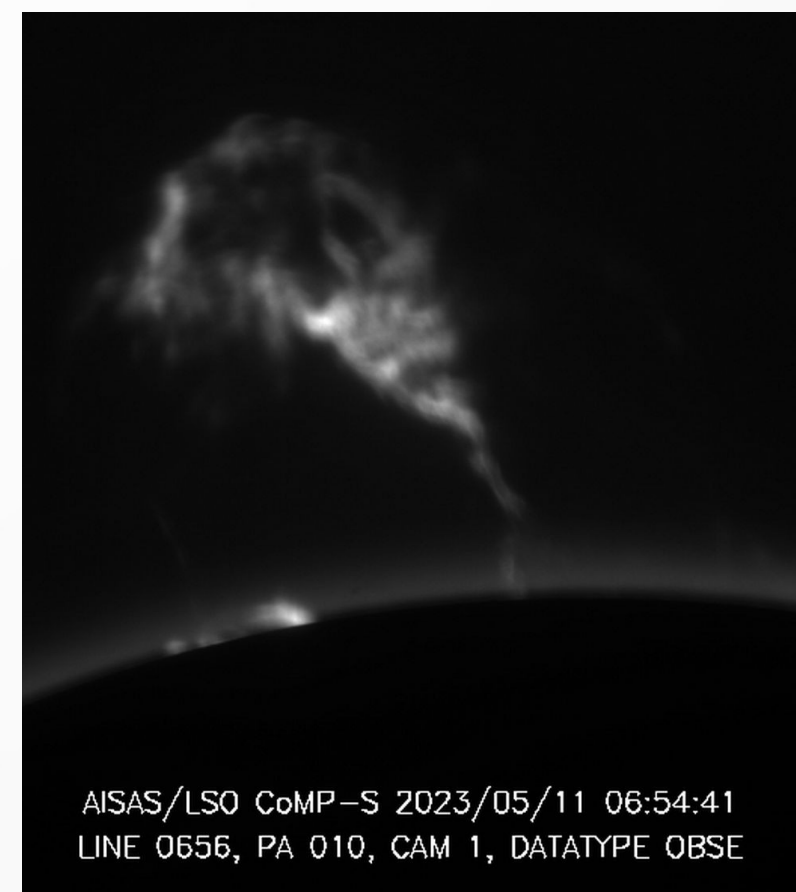
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Eruptive prominence: 10/03/2014, AR 11991) v 4 spectral lines:
He I D3 587 nm (08:25:17), H I 656 nm (08:21:53), Ca II 854 nm (08:19:35), and He I 1083 nm (08:15:59 UT)

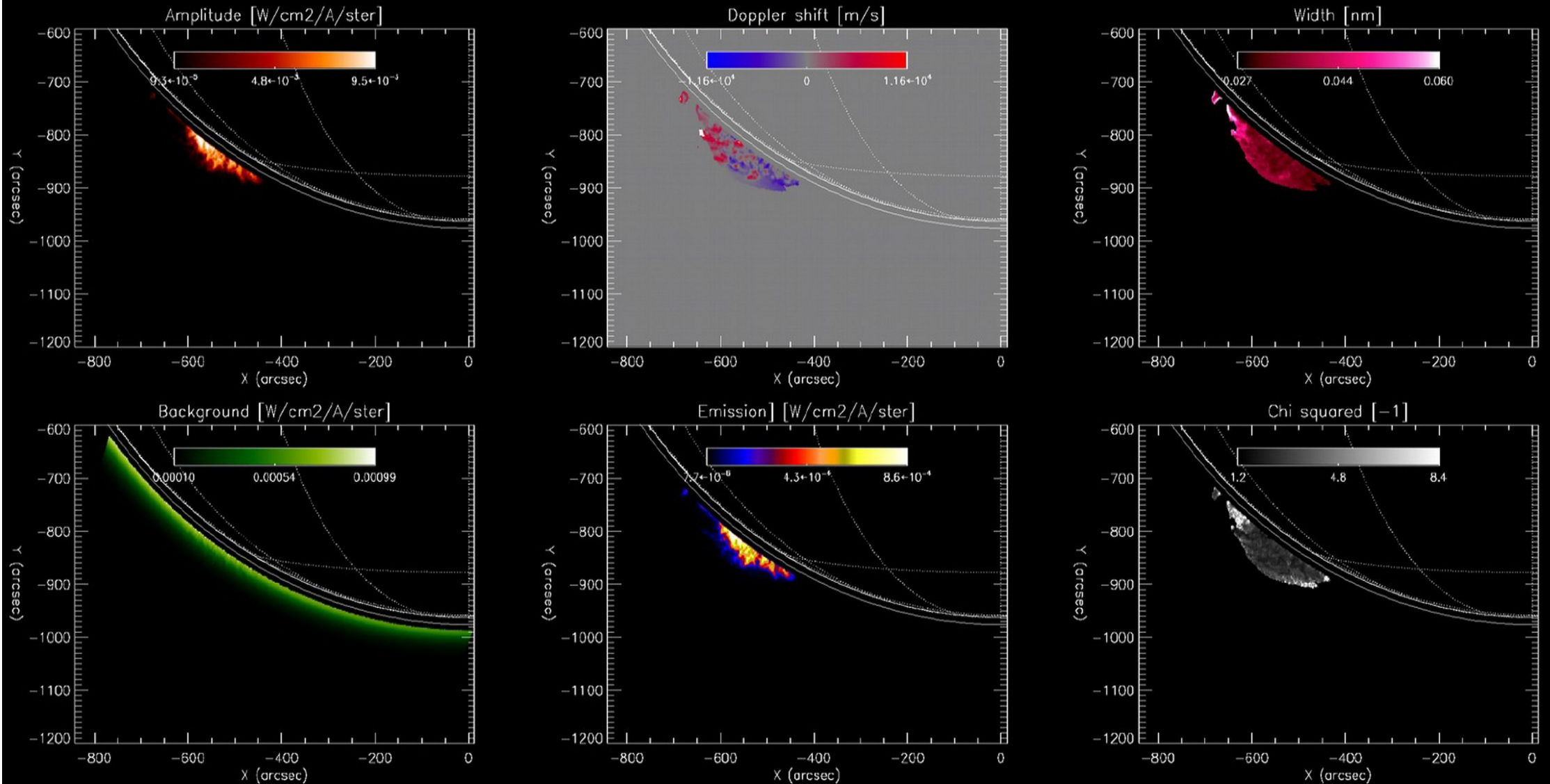
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- Eruptive prominence – 11/05/2023: 04:59-06:54 UT

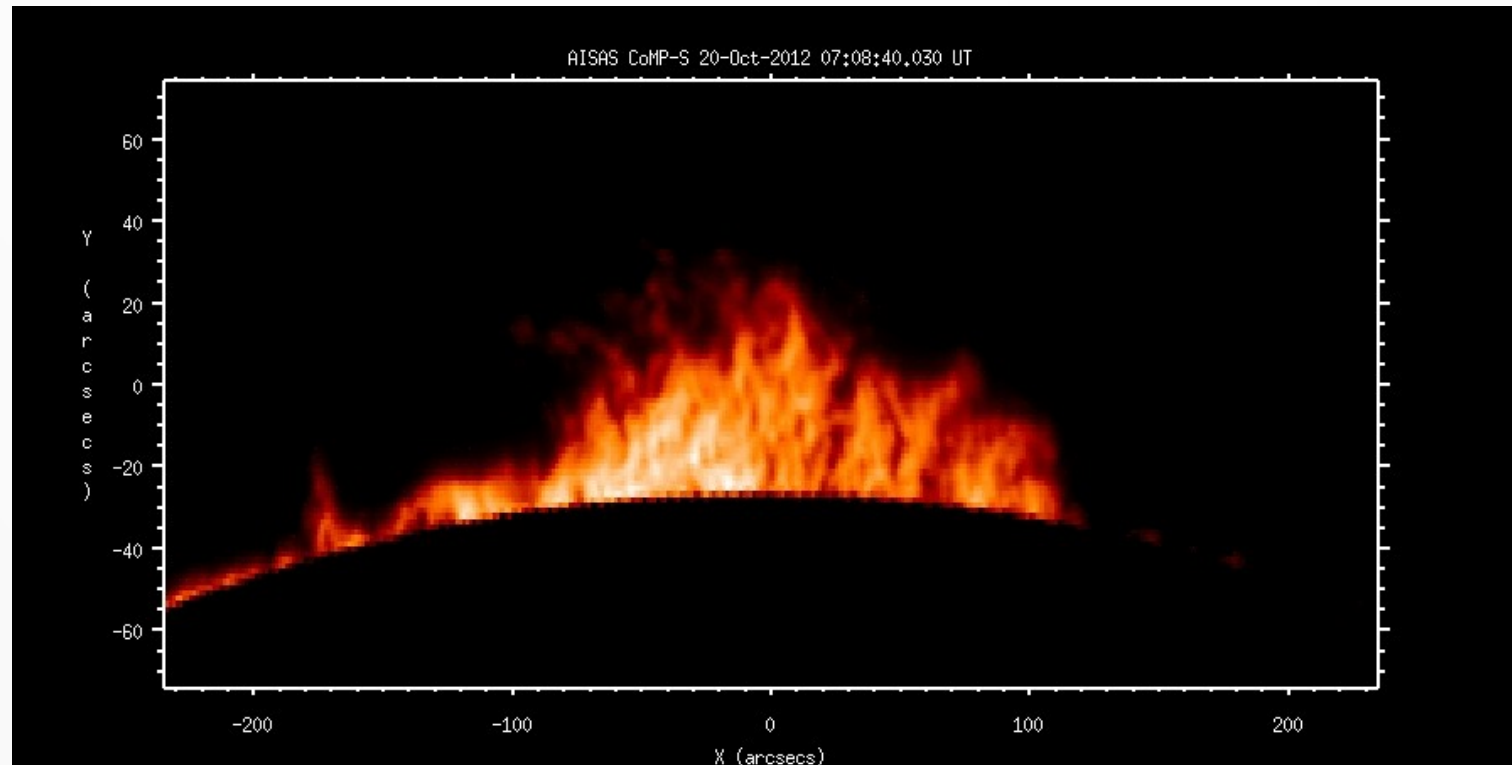
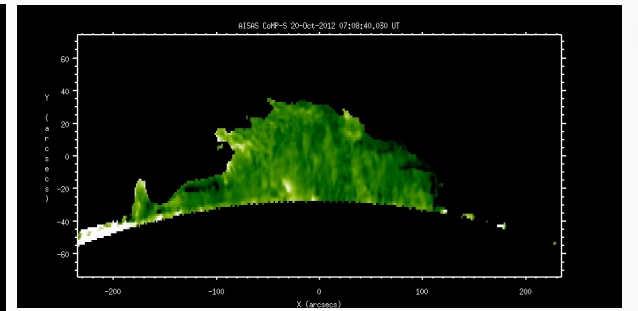
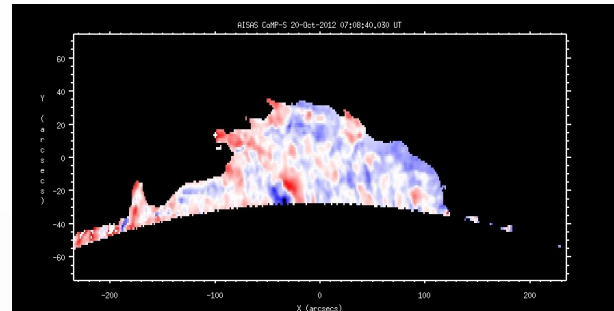
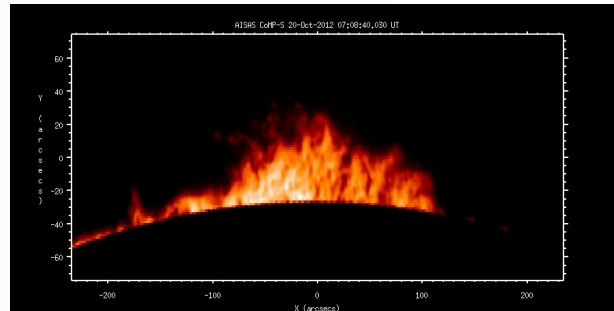


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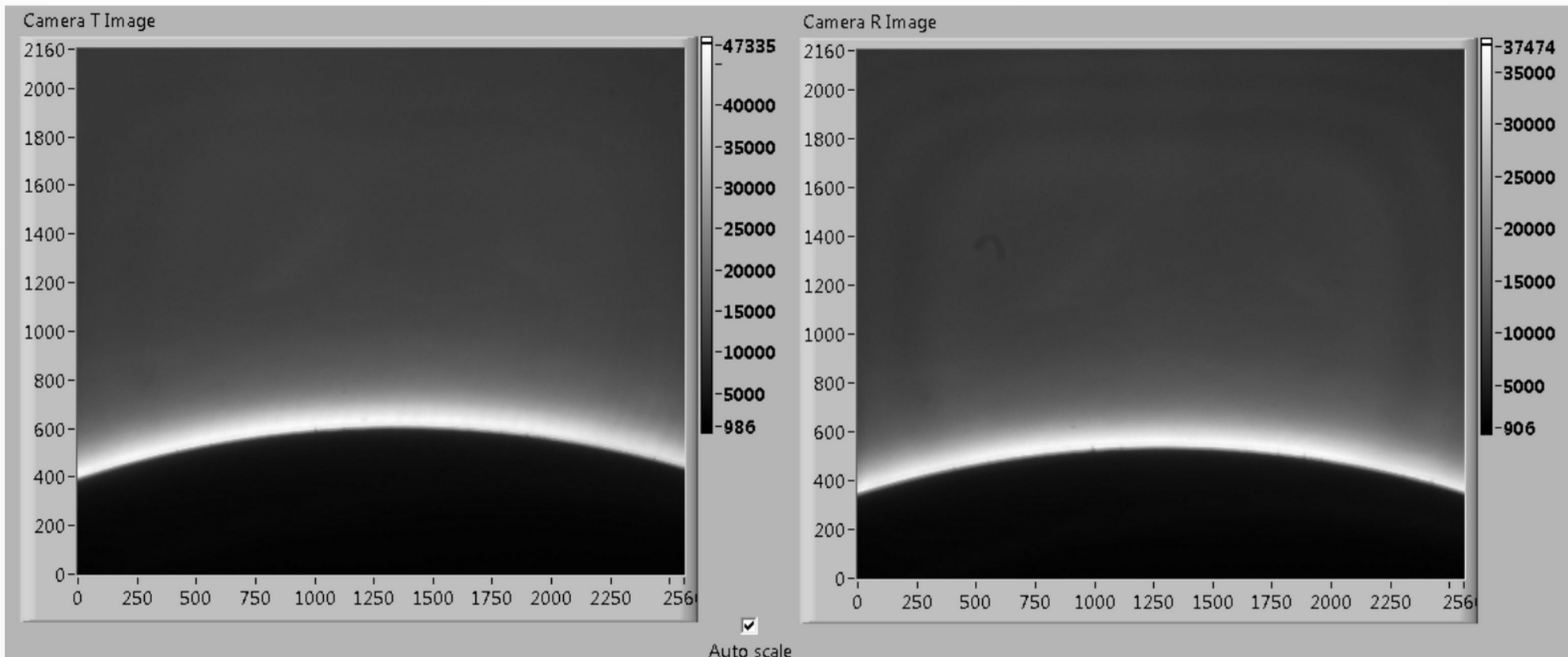


CoMP-S 2D spectropolarimeter



CoMP-S 2D spectropolarimeter

- On-line: no coronal emission seen using the automatic dynamic range due to large scattered light intensity range
- Pipeline in development: subtraction of the BKG scattered light (coalignment, intensity intercalibration, subtraction)



CoMP-S 2D spectropolarimeter

- Let's see the CoMP-S in the dome...