



# Incoherent scatter measurements of F-region temperatures with the Jicamarca radar beam pointing perpendicular to B

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- **Motivation**
- Experiment Setup and Data
- Forward Model
- Preliminary results



## Motivation

- **Objective of this project:**
  - Estimate  $T_e$  and  $T_i$  of the ionosphere using the ISR technique while pointing the Jicamarca radar beam perpendicular to the Earth's magnetic field.



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# Experiment Setup 1

**N-S : "DIFFERENTIAL PHASE"**  
**"ISCOD" = (DGC)**  
**Dr's L.Goncharenko, B.Basu**  
**ANTENNAS "CP=2"**  
**[ Nov. 08 - 13, 2004 ]**

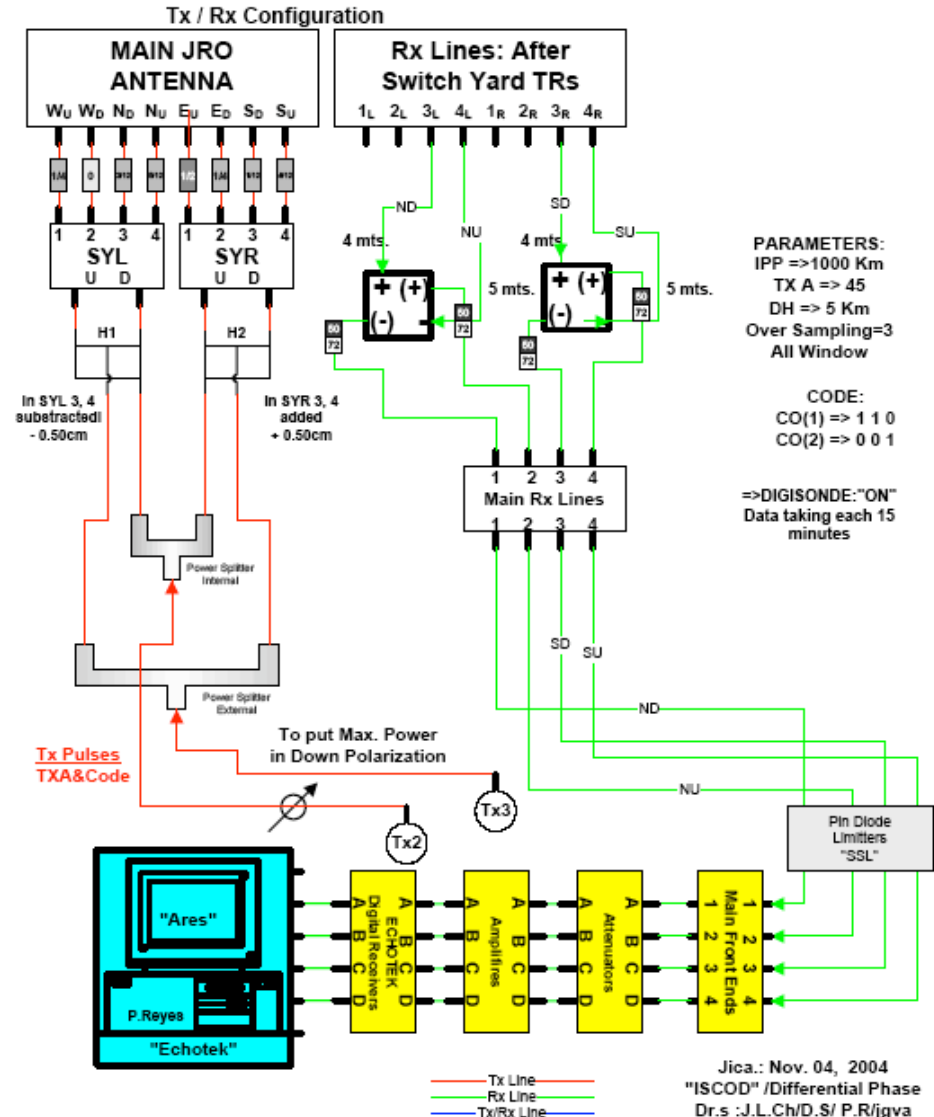
## Main Antenna Phasing

North Quarter				East Quarter			
4/2	4/2	3/5	2/4	5/3	5/3	4/2	3/5
4/2	3/5	2/4	2/4	5/3	4/2	3/5	3/5
3/5	2/4	5/3	5/3	4/2	3/5	2/4	2/4
2/4	2/4	5/3	4/2	3/5	3/5	2/4	5/3
West Quarter				South Quarter			
2/4	2/4	5/3	4/2	3/5	3/5	2/4	5/3
2/4	5/3	4/2	4/2	3/5	2/4	5/3	5/3
5/3	4/2	3/5	3/5	2/4	5/3	4/2	4/2
4/2	4/2	3/5	2/4	5/3	5/3	4/2	3/5

Reference to Ochs Original Manual  
 This configuration is relative new, first used  
 by Dr. R. Woodman, 10/06/1996  
 Know by Jicamarca staff as "CP=2"  
 Perpendicular to "B"

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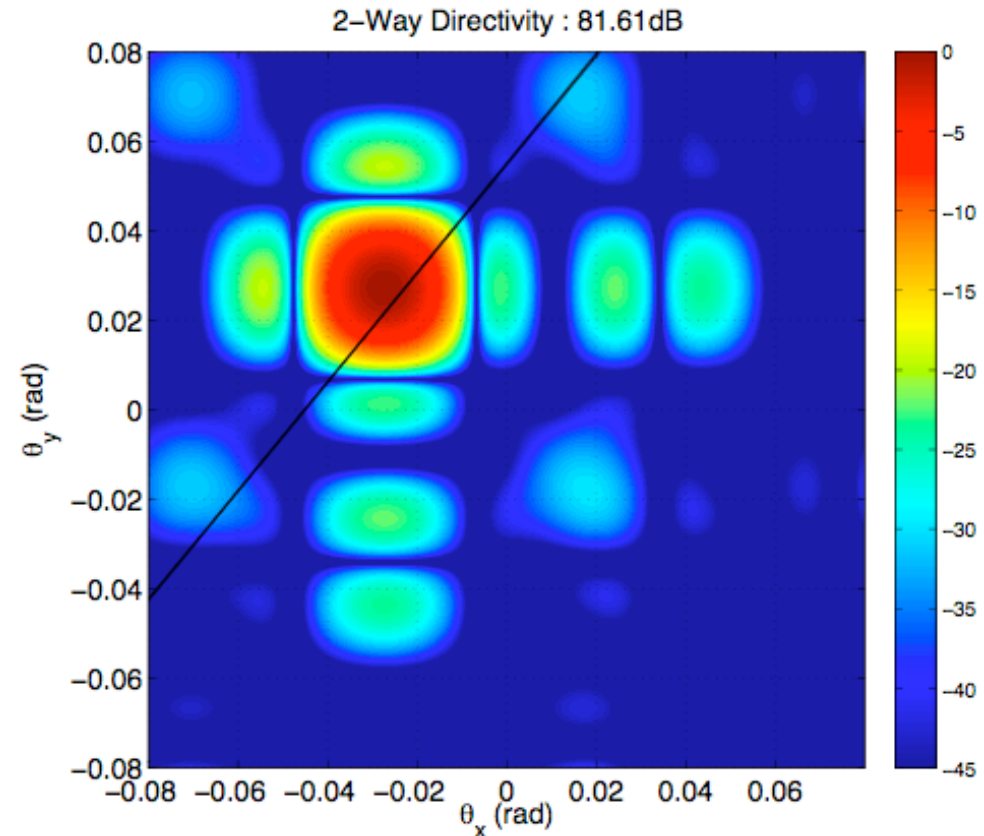
ANTENNA: CP = 2  
 Differential Phase  
 Modif.in U's N-S:Up&Dn  
 (Tito: E. Kudeki)





## Experimental Setup 2

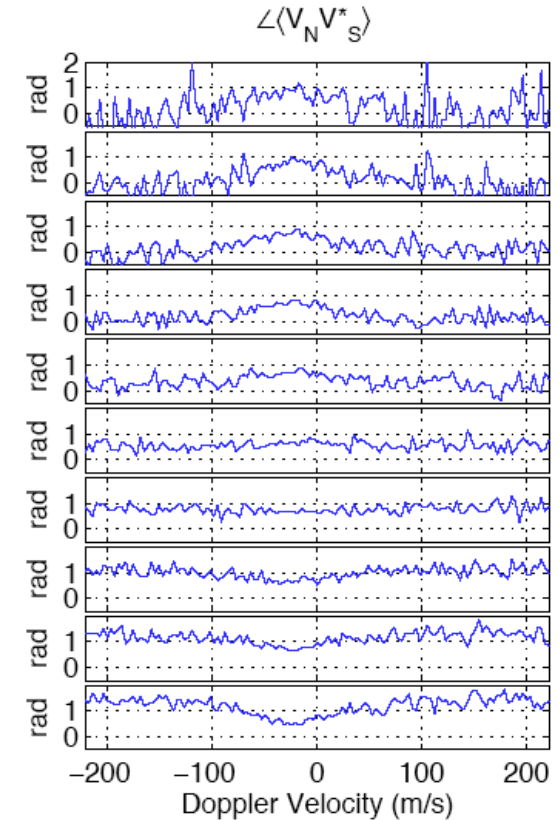
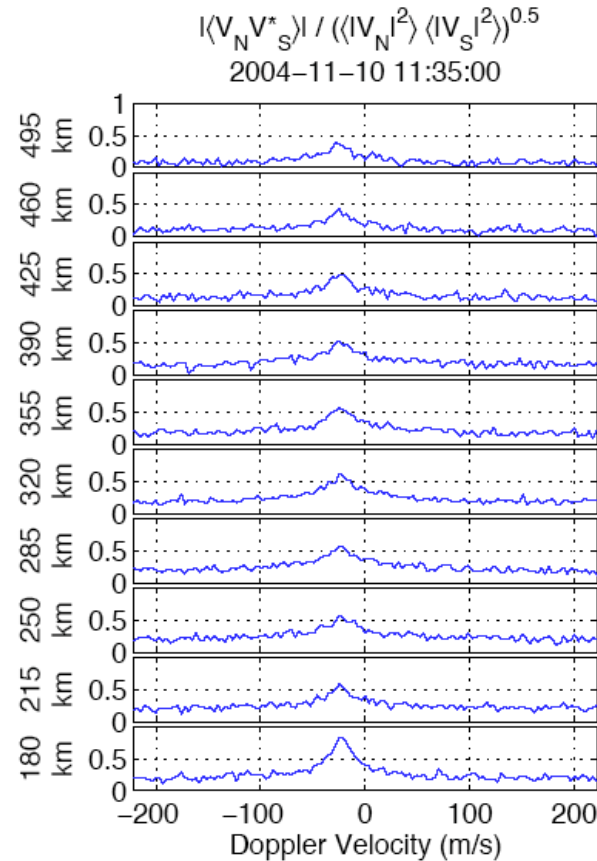
- Transmit linear pol.
- Receive using 2 quarters N - S, and both pol.
- Meridional and zonal components are synthesized.
- Coherently detected data is acquired in a pulse to pulse basis using matched filter receivers.
- IPP=6.666ms(1000km)
- Tx=15km
- Oversampling =5km
- Range 0-1000km





# Sample of coherence Data

- We calculate self spectra and cross spectra.
- 5 min averaged data.





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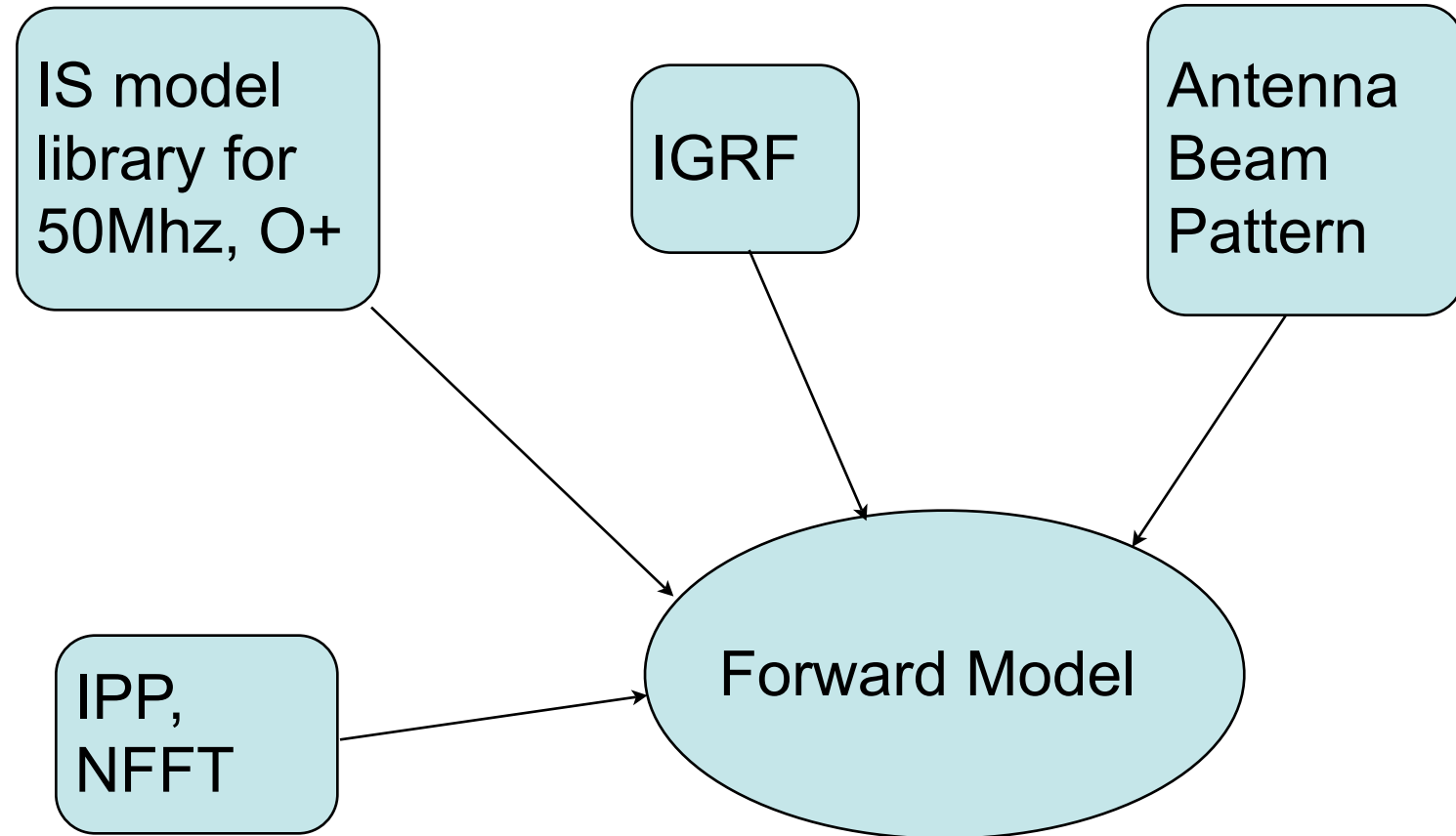


## Forward Model 1

- To build the Forward model for the self- and cross-spectra we use:
  - Theoretical ISR Library  $\Phi(\alpha, \omega, N_e, T_e, T_i, B_m, O^+)$ .
  - Beam pattern of the antenna  $G(\theta_x, \theta_y)$
  - IGRF model to get “  $\alpha$  ” in each direction  $(\theta_x, \theta_y)$  within the beam pattern.
  - Geometry of the Interferometer (N-S Antennas baseline =  $34.65 \lambda$ )
  - Experiment parameters (IPP=1000km = 6.666ms, NFFT=128)



## Forward Model 2

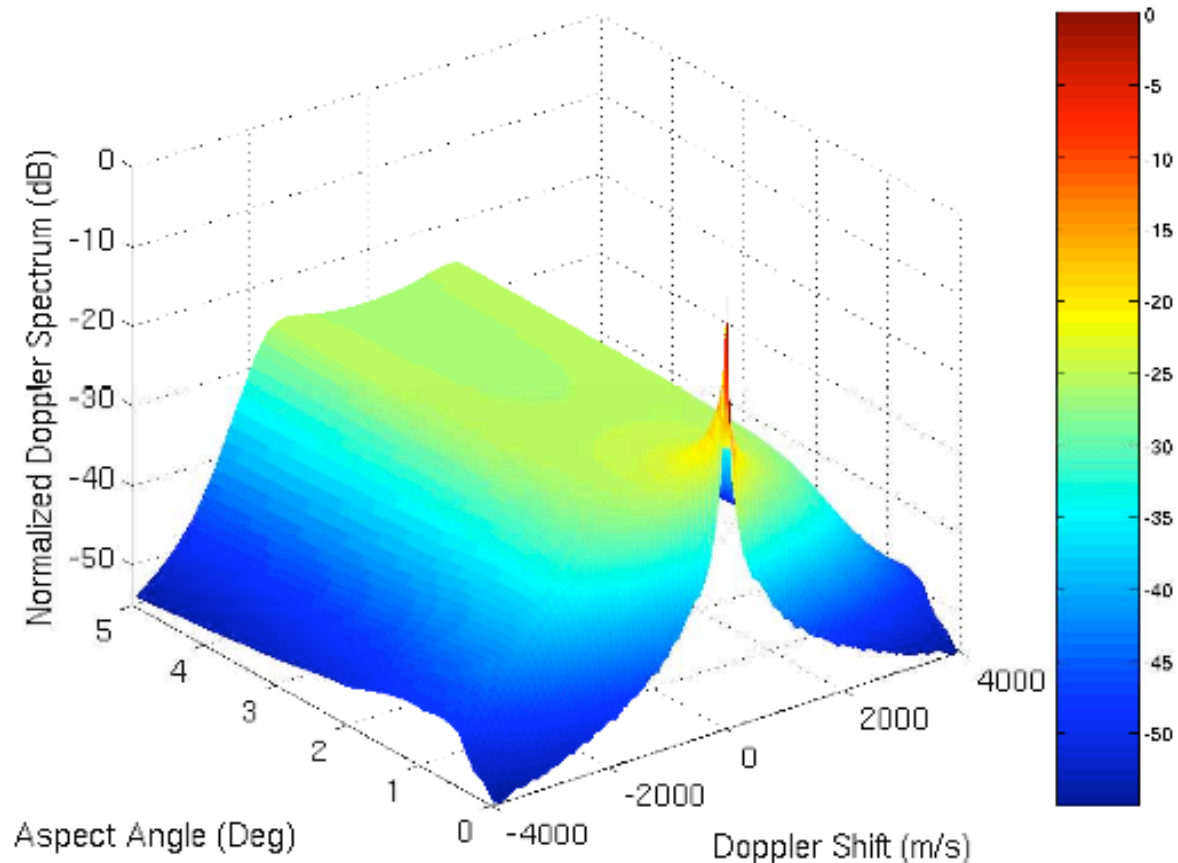




# Forward Model 3: IS Spectral Library

IS Spectra vs. Aspect Angle, 50MHz radar,  $N_e=1.00e+12m^{-3}$   $T_i=1000K$ ,  $T_e/T_i=1.8$

- Milla and Kudeki [2008] extended the previous work to all  $\alpha$ , building a library based on 3-D random walk Monte Carlo simulations for specific  $\alpha, B, N_e, T_e$  and  $T_i, f_0$  (50MHz), ion composition ( $O^+$ )





## Forward Model 4: Modeling Self-Spectra

Beam-weighted IS spectra received by each antenna:

$$S(\omega) = \iint d\Omega \Phi(\alpha, \omega) G(\theta_x, \theta_y)$$

After discretizing the beam we obtain :

$$S(\omega) = \sum_x \sum_y \frac{\Delta x \Delta y}{\sqrt{1 - x^2 - y^2}} G(x, y) \Phi(A(x, y), \omega)$$

Where  $A(x, y)$  is the distribution of  $\alpha$  for every direction inside the beam. The IGRF model was used to obtain B:

$$\Lambda(\hat{\alpha}) = \sum_{x_n} \sum_{y_n} \frac{\Delta x \Delta y}{\sqrt{1 - x_n^2 - y_n^2}} G(x_n, y_n) \cdot \delta_{\hat{\alpha}, A(x_n, y_n)}$$

Using this “weighting-function” we compute the self-spectra with:

$$S(\omega) = \sum_{\hat{\alpha}} \Lambda(\hat{\alpha}) \Phi(\hat{\alpha}, \omega)$$



# Forward Model 5: Modeling Cross-Spectra

Normalized Beam-weighted IS cross-spectra from N and S antennas:

$$C_{NS}(\omega) = \frac{1}{S(\omega)} \iint d\Omega \Phi(\alpha, \omega) e^{j\vec{D}\cdot\vec{k}} G(\theta_x, \theta_y)$$

where,  $\vec{D} = |\vec{D}| \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\hat{x} + \hat{y})$  , and the wave vector  $\vec{k} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \hat{k}$

After discretizing the beam we obtain :

$$C_{NS}(\omega) = \frac{1}{S(\omega)} \sum_{x_n} \sum_{y_n} \frac{\Delta x \Delta y}{\sqrt{1 - x_n^2 - y_n^2}} G(x_n, y_n) e^{j\vec{D}\cdot\vec{k}} \cdot \Phi(A(x, y), \omega)$$

Now we will have a complex weighting-function:

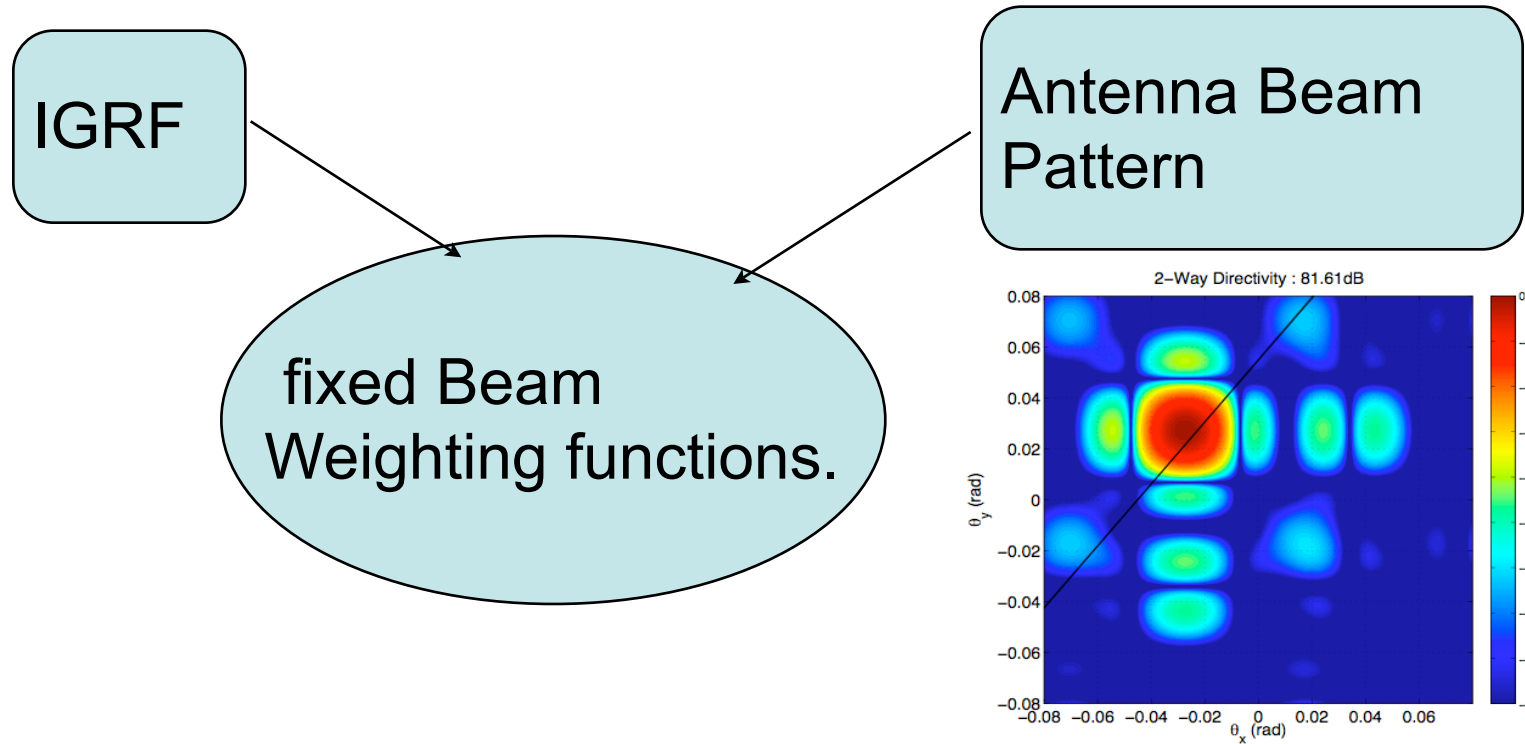
$$\Lambda_{NS}(\hat{\alpha}) = \sum_{x_n} \sum_{y_n} \frac{\Delta x \Delta y}{\sqrt{1 - x_n^2 - y_n^2}} G(x_n, y_n) \delta_{(\hat{\alpha} - A(x_n, y_n))} e^{j\vec{D}\cdot\vec{k}}$$

Final our model for computing coherence:

$$C_{NS}(\omega) = \frac{1}{S(\omega)} \sum_{\hat{\alpha}} \Lambda_{NS}(\hat{\alpha}) \Phi(\hat{\alpha}, \omega)$$



# Forward Model 6: Beam Weighting Functions

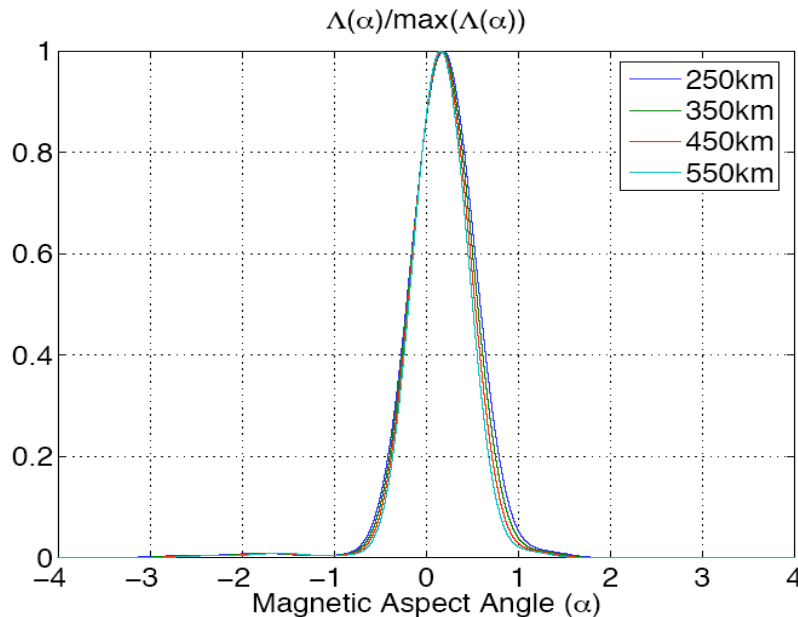


Collapsing the beam pattern in one dimension, so that we have a one dimensional weighting function as a function of aspect angle.

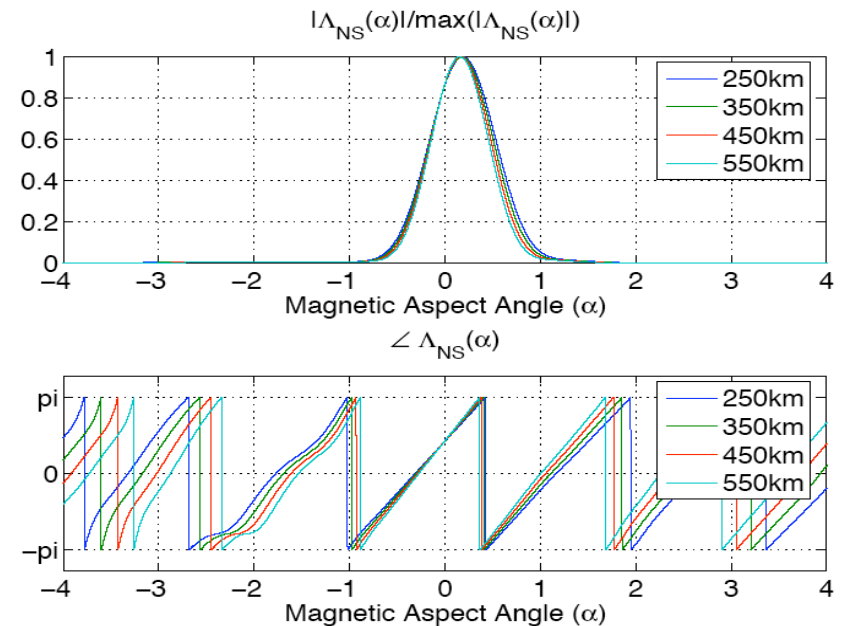


# Forward Model 5: Modeling Spectra

Beam weighting function for computing self-spectrum:



Beam weighting function for computing cross-spectrum:



The Next step is:

- Make the weighting of the IS for a certain ionosphere with the  $\Lambda(\alpha)$  and  $\Lambda_{NS}(\alpha)$
- Consider the effect of sampling (IPP=1000km)
- Consider the effect of windowing (NFFT=128)

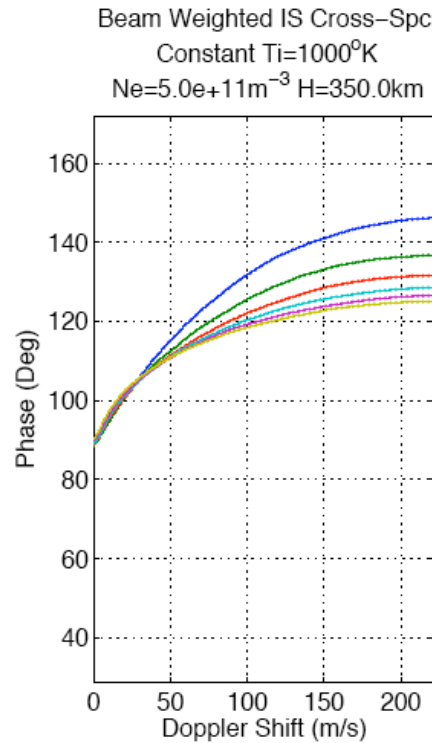
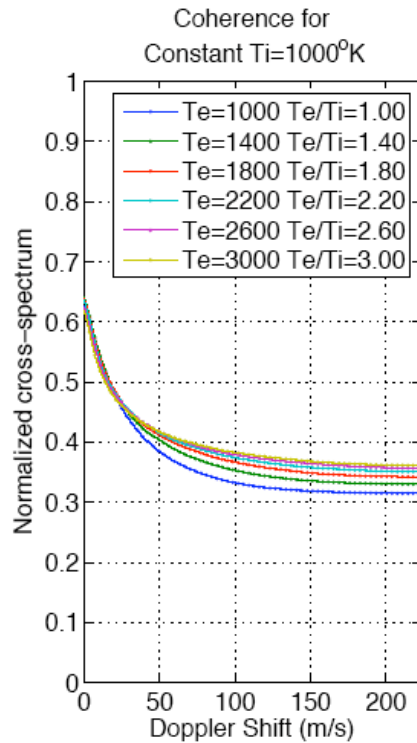
And we obtain ...



# Forward Model 6: Some Examples

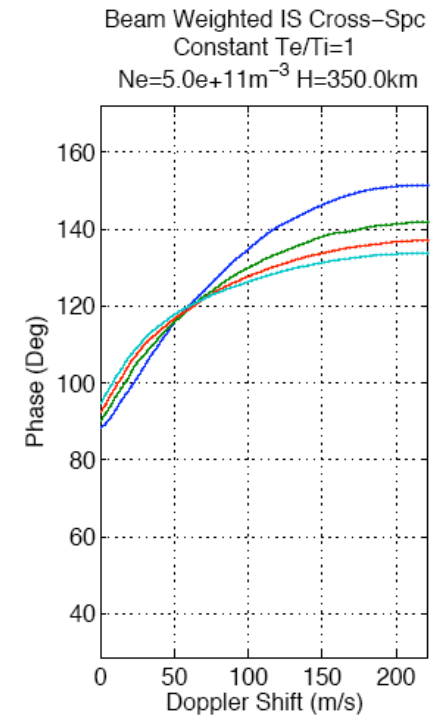
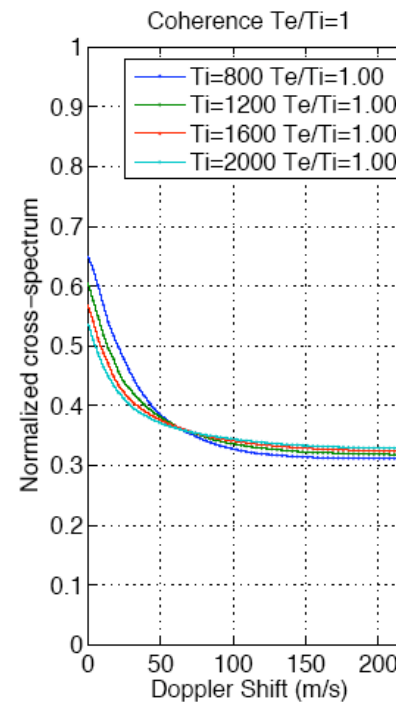
Coherence Spectrum for Jicamarca on November 10, 2004

$T_i = 1000 \text{ K}$



Coherence Spectrum for Jicamarca on November 10, 2004,

Constant  $T_e/T_i$







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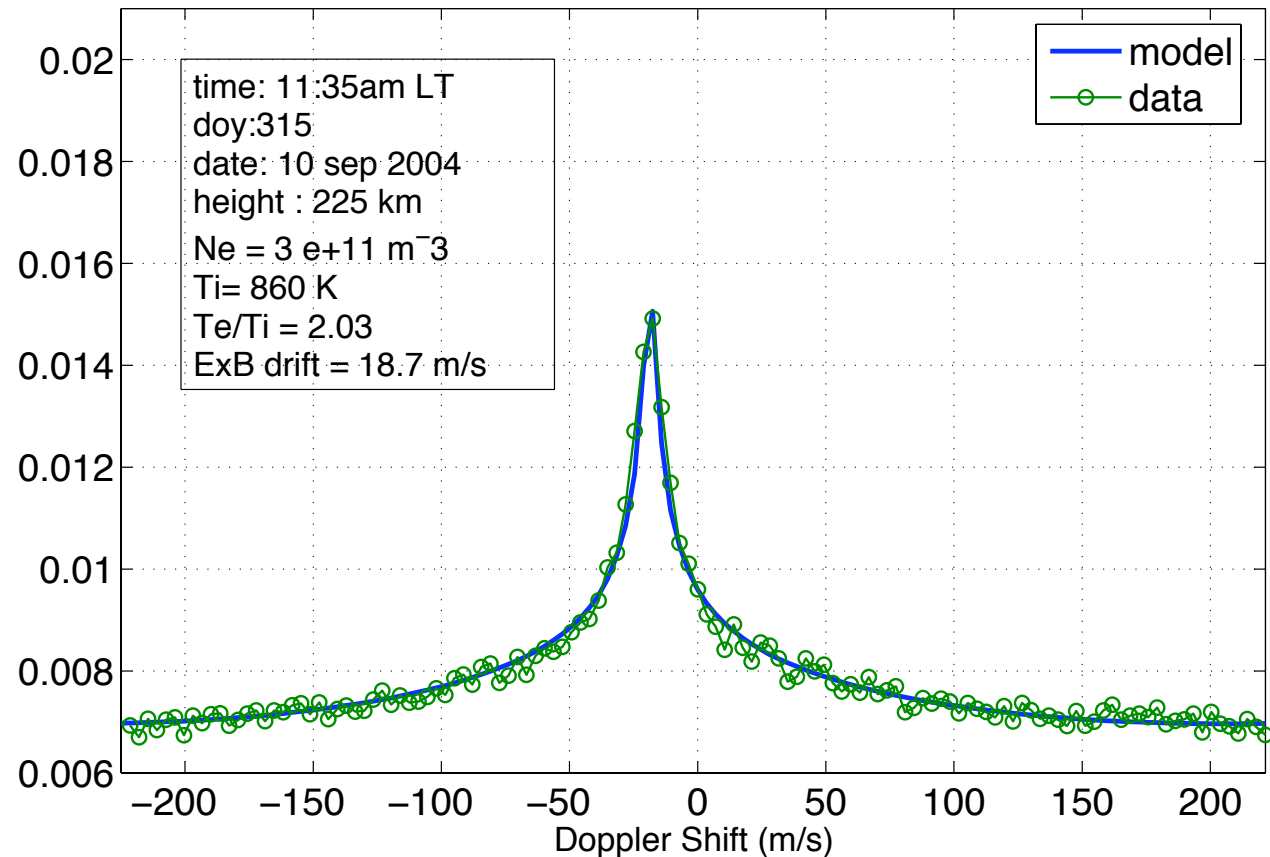
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# Comparisons between the Data and Model

- Good agreement with the data.
- Temperatures are comparable with IRI model.
- Starting at 225km we don't get contamination of the coherent echoes from 150km

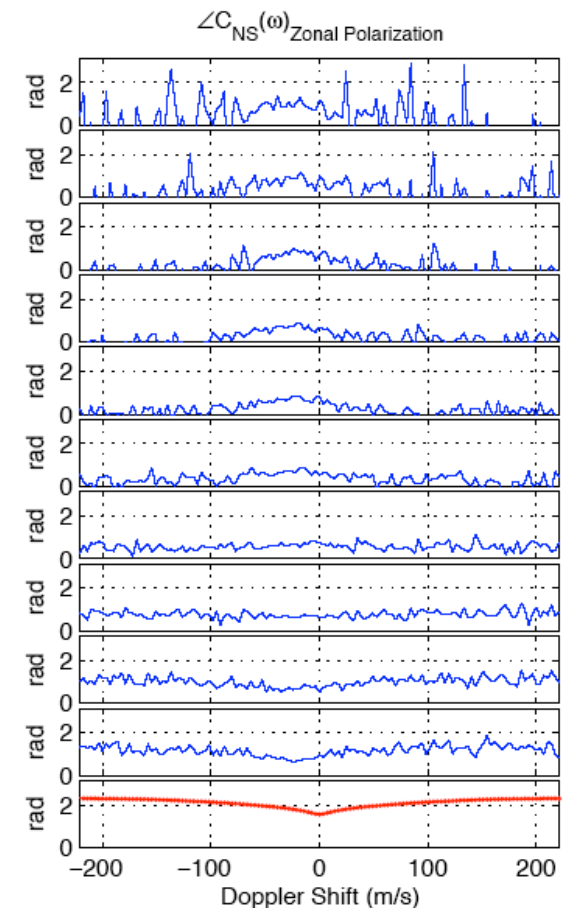
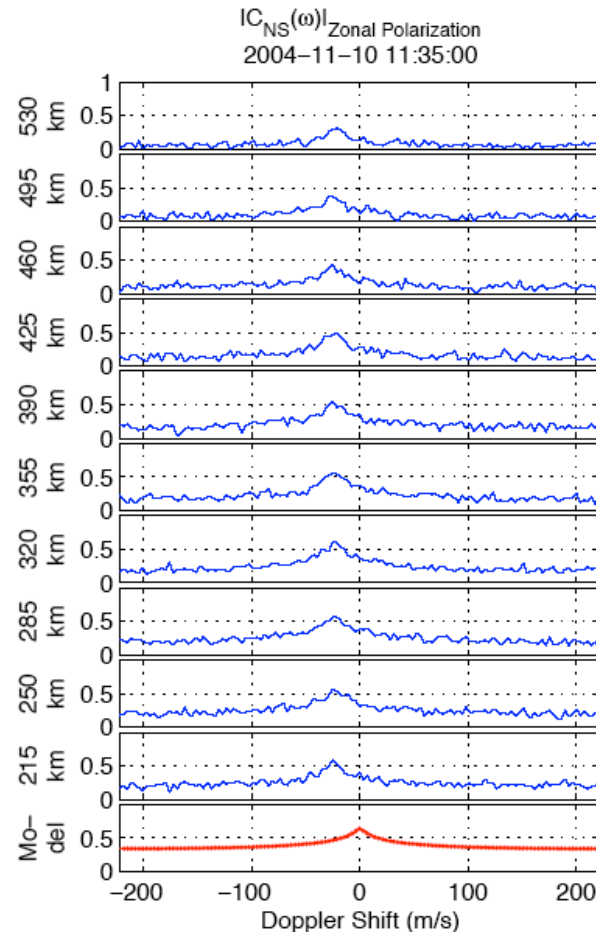
Self Spectrum Normalized by the power  $N_{\text{zonal}}$





# Comparisons between the Data and Model and some Conclusions

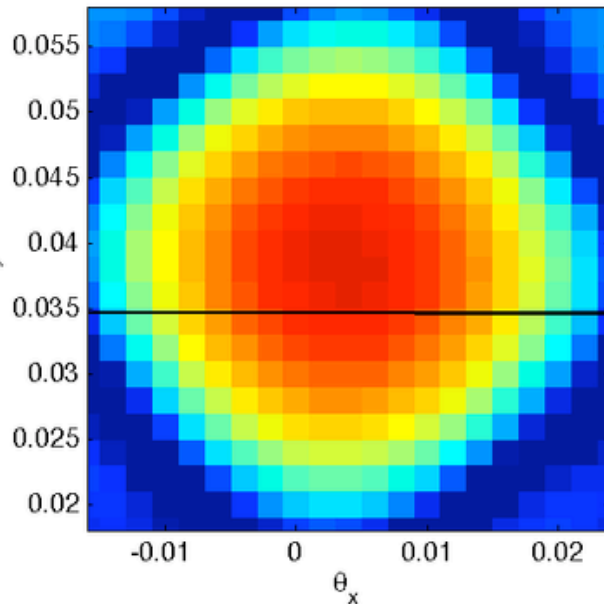
- Good agreement in the lower altitudes.
- Phase only matches at lower altitudes
- Different regimes of magneto-ionic propagation effects cause the beam pattern to change in altitude.



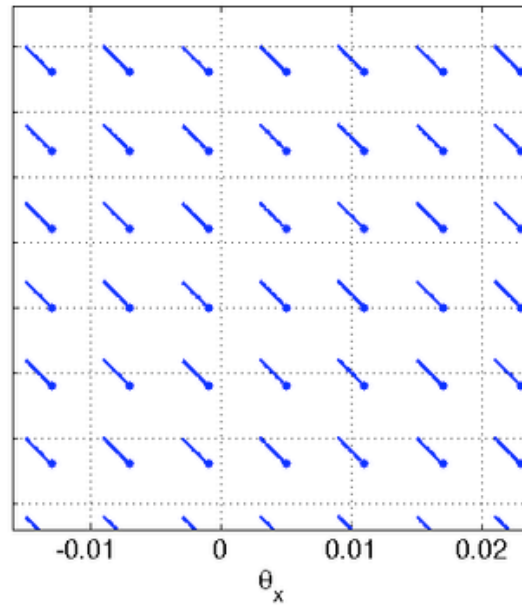


# Magneto-ionic effects need to be taken into account

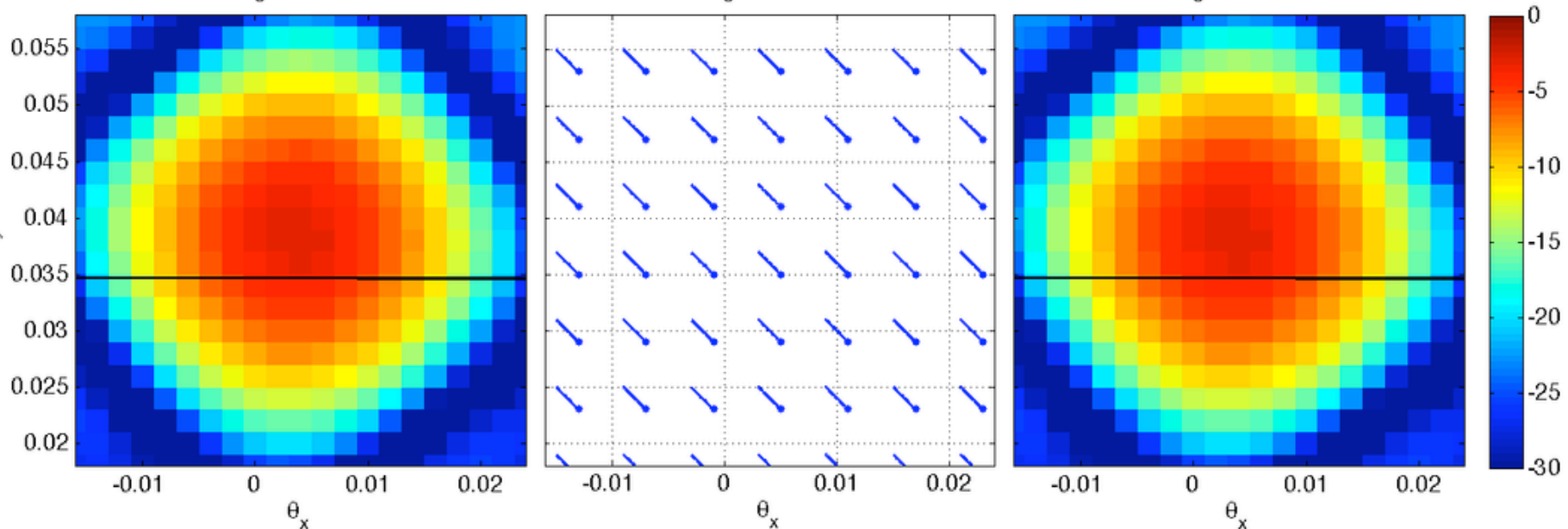
Meridional Beam  
Height = 5.0 km



Polarization Vector (RX)  
Height = 5.0 km



Zonal Beam  
Height = 5.0 km

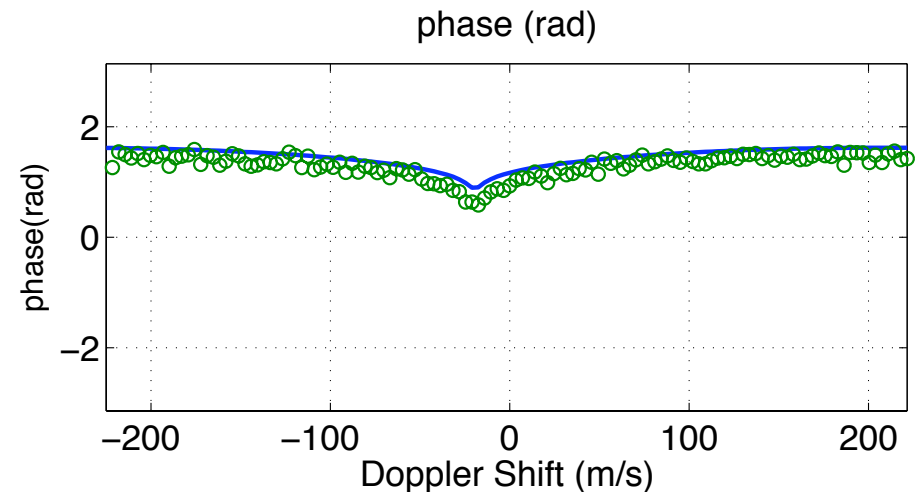
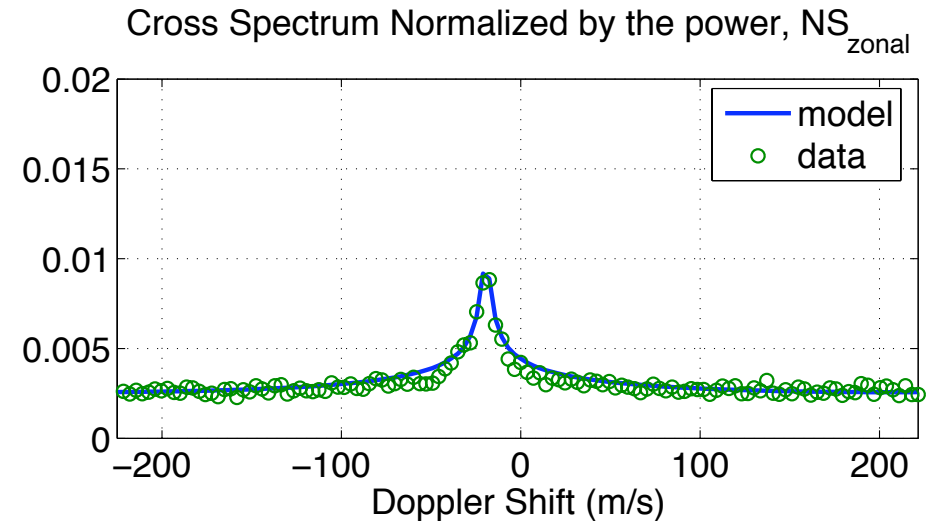


- Assuming a certain ionospheric density profile, and using the **differential phase method** we account for all the different regimes of magneto-ionic propagation effects.
- This effects cause the beam pattern to change in altitude.



# Strategy for getting Temperatures

- From the differential phase method we calculate the electron densities. [Kudeki et al. 2003]
- So fixing the density, we fit the data to this spectral model in order to get one of the temperatures.
- Using the North - South interferometer we were expecting to estimate  $T_e/T_i$ , but our first attempts are showing us that the dependence of  $T_e/T_i$  is weak.





## Conclusions and Future Work

- We have a spectral model that fits the data for reasonable temperatures.
- Need to include magneto-ionic effects to improve the forward model.
- Improving sensitivity on Te/Ti could be achieved by modifying the radar configuration. This would allow us to improve the Te/Ti sensitivity without losing the accuracy of the ExB drifts estimation.



**Thank you!**