Cross-Pol Measurements of Cartridge B6-003 with OMT6-11 Replaced by OMT6-13, (Partial Results)

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This report shows partial but encouraging results for Band 6 Cartridge 003 cross-pol isolation. When the original OMT6-011, which had marginal polarization isolation (<u>Figure 11</u> and <u>Figure 13</u>) was replaced with the recently-built OMT6-013 exhibiting much better polarization isolation (<u>Figure 10</u> and <u>Figure 12</u>), the cross-pol isolation of the cartridge improved and now meets specifications as plotted in <u>Figure 1</u>.

Figure 2 through Figure 9 compare cartridge cross-pol beam patterns when OMT6-013 and OMT6-011 is installed in the cartridge.

The remainder of the points for Pol 1 and all the points for Pol 0 will be measured over the weekend by Dave Schmitt.



Figure 1: Cross-Pol Results, Cartridge B6-003 with OMT6-011 and -013





Appendix I: Cross-Pol Measurements of Cartridge B6-003 compared to Dummy OMT, Pol 0 and 1

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Polarization isolation has now been measured for both polarizations of B6-003. <u>Figure 14</u> shows the isolation for Pol 0 and <u>Figure 15</u> is the isolation for Pol 1. Note the Pol 1 data was reported last week <u>here</u> and where it is shown that the results were carefully checked for compression and for accuracy using a spectrum analyzer.

Polarization 0 isolation (<u>Figure 14</u>), measured initially in Dec 2007 and repeated today, shows little difference when the real OMT is replaced with the dummy OMT. Also, the data measured in Dec differs at most 2 dB from the isolation measured today.

Polarization 1 isolation (Figure 15) shows a different story. There is good repeatability at 211 GHz and 245 GHz between the Dec data and today's, but a nearly 5 dB discrepancy exists at 275 GHz. As mentioned last week, cartridge cross-pol is significantly better with the dummy OMT than with the OMT installed in that cartridge, OMT6-011.

For reference, the measured polarization isolation for just the OMT is repeated in Figure 16 and Figure 17.

Despite a few frequencies showing large discrepancies between the most recent data and that measured in Dec, the trend is clear and we recommend replacing OMT6-011 with one of the latest batch, which are presently undergoing measurement and should be ready for installation tomorrow, 14 Feb 2008.



Figure 14: Polarization Isolation, Cartridge 6.003, Pol 0 (Source)









Figure 17: Polarization Isolation from OMT6-011, Main Arm