Satellites as calibrators and Models

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Galilean SatellitesTitan



Jupiter's four largest satellites

Icy Galilean Satellites

- •Io(1"),Europa(0.8"),Callisto(1.4"),Ganymede(1.3")
- •Limits from HPBW: Satellites-Planet Distance
 - Io, Europa, < 2-3'; Callisto, Ganymede < 6-12'
- •Estimate Flux at 2000 GHz (Tb ~ 120 K): 350 Jy
- •Herschel Sensitivity @ 2000 GHz

 \rightarrow S/N > 100 in 1 minutes

Tb Versus Frequency



De Pater etal 1989

Brightness Temperature

Presently poorly known in the submm/FIR

	1.3mm Muhleman 91	0.35mm De Pater 89
Ganymede	83±5 K	114 ± 10 K
Callisto	105 ±6 K	135 ±11 K

→ Need accurate Measurement in the submm (SMA,CSO,JCMT,IRAM)

Modelling

- •Thermal Models as for Mars
- •Parameters : Surface temperature, Dielectric constant
- Thermal inertia, Surface roughness
- •Ganymede not consistent with thermal model

(Muhleman etal 1991)



Mars Thermal Model

uncertainties 5%

Titan

- •Dense atmosphere with N_2 and CH_4
- •Thermal Structure Known (Voyager, Cassini)
- •Radiative Transfert Models as for Giant Planets :
- •Collision induced opacity : $N_2 N_2$ and $N_2 CH_4$
- •Opacity from Minor compounds at submm : CO, HCN, HC₃N, CH₃CN, CH₄
- •Expected better constraints after Cassini +
- Reference spectra from CIRS

Flux Versus Frequency

TITAN



→Flux, Frequency and Image Gain Calibration

Conclusions

- •Icy satellites can be used as calibrator (\sim 5-10%)
- Need more accurate measurements in the SUBMM/FIR
- + Thermal modelling

- •Titan models are accurate (Continuum <5%, Line <5-10%) more constraints from Cassini/CIRS
 - → Flux, Frequency and Image Gain Calibration

•Herchel observations for cross-calibration