



MODIS Operation, Calibration & Performance

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MODIS Science Discipline Representatives



MCST Workshop at MST Meeting (April 17, 2013)





Introduction



- **Acknowledgements**

- MODIS Characterization Support Team (MCST)
 - Instrument Operation Team (IOT)
 - Level 1B Group
 - Calibration Group (RSB, TEB, LUT delivery)
- MODIS Sensor Working Group (MsWG)
 - Discipline Representatives (ocean, land, and atmosphere)
- Others
 - NASA HQ (funding support for both Terra and Aqua missions)
 - MODIS Science Team (science contributions)
 - User Community



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MODIS Instrument Operations Status



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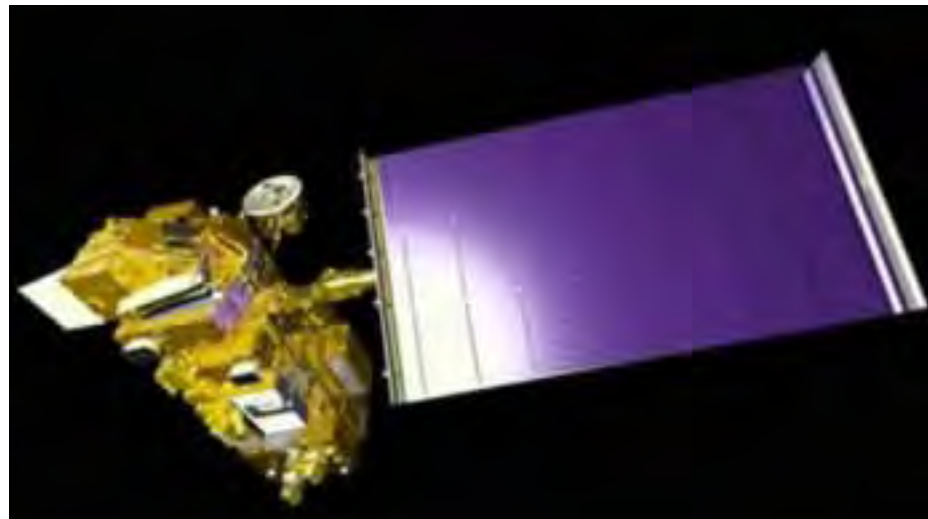




Terra Flight Operations



- Terra Spacecraft Status
 - 13+ years of successful operation
 - No major flight operation anomaly or extensive data losses since last STM
 - Solid State Recorder – 33 supersets allocated: no change since June 2007
 - Battery – Anomaly on 10/13/09 resulted in loss of 1 cell (out of 54 total). No impact on operations or power availability.
 - Orbit Maneuvers: Drag Make-up #67-72, Inclination Adjustment #32-34





Aqua Flight Operations



- Aqua Spacecraft Status
 - 11+ years of successful operations
 - No major flight operation anomaly or extensive data losses since last STM
 - Solid State Recorder – Full allocation
 - Battery – Fully functional
 - AMSR-E – antenna operation recovery operation was successful in 12/4/2012 – currently operating at 2 rpm (instead of 40 rpm)
 - Orbit Maneuvers: Drag Make-up #59-70, Inclination Adjustment #35-36





MODIS Instrument Operations (Terra)



- **Terra MODIS is healthy and operating nominally**
- **Operational Configuration (No change since last STM)**
 - A-side: launch to Oct 30, 2000
 - B-side: Oct 30, 2000 to June 15, 2001
 - A-side: July 02, 2001 to Sept 17, 2002
 - A-side electronics and B-side formatter: Sept 17, 2002 to present
 - BB temperatures set at 290K
 - Cold FPA (SMIR and LWIR) controlled at 83K
 - SD door fixed to “open” position since July, 2003
- **Events**
 - None
- **Concerns**
 - SSR allocation – further decrease could result in data loss



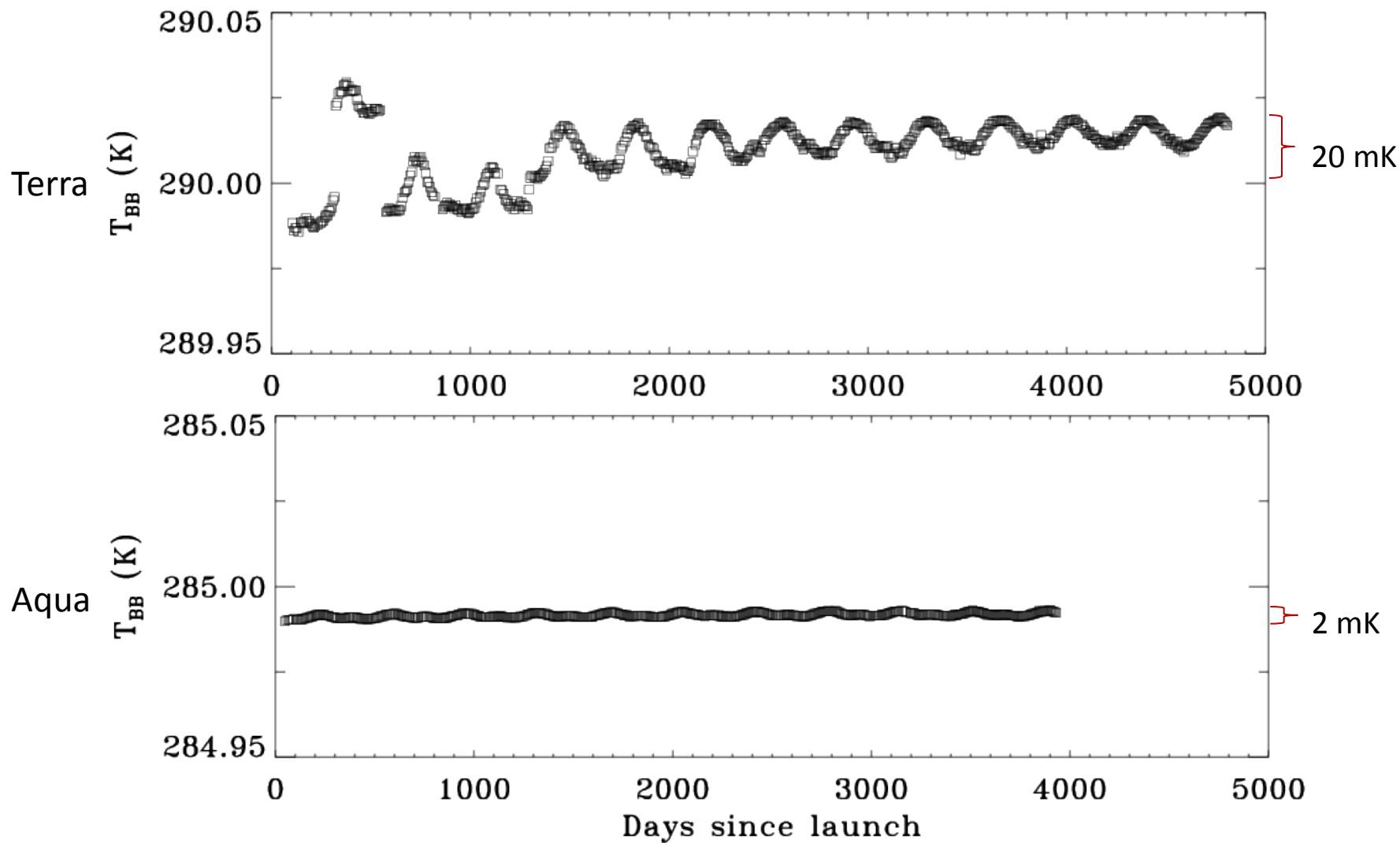
MODIS Instrument Operations (Aqua)



- **Aqua MODIS is healthy and operating nominally**
- **Operational Configuration (No change since last STM)**
 - Same B-side configuration since launch
 - BB temperatures set at 285K
 - Cold FPA (SMIR and LWIR) controlled at 83K
- **Events**
 - None
- **Concerns**
 - Loss of radiative cooler margin – Cold FPA not maintained at 83 K through entire orbit.



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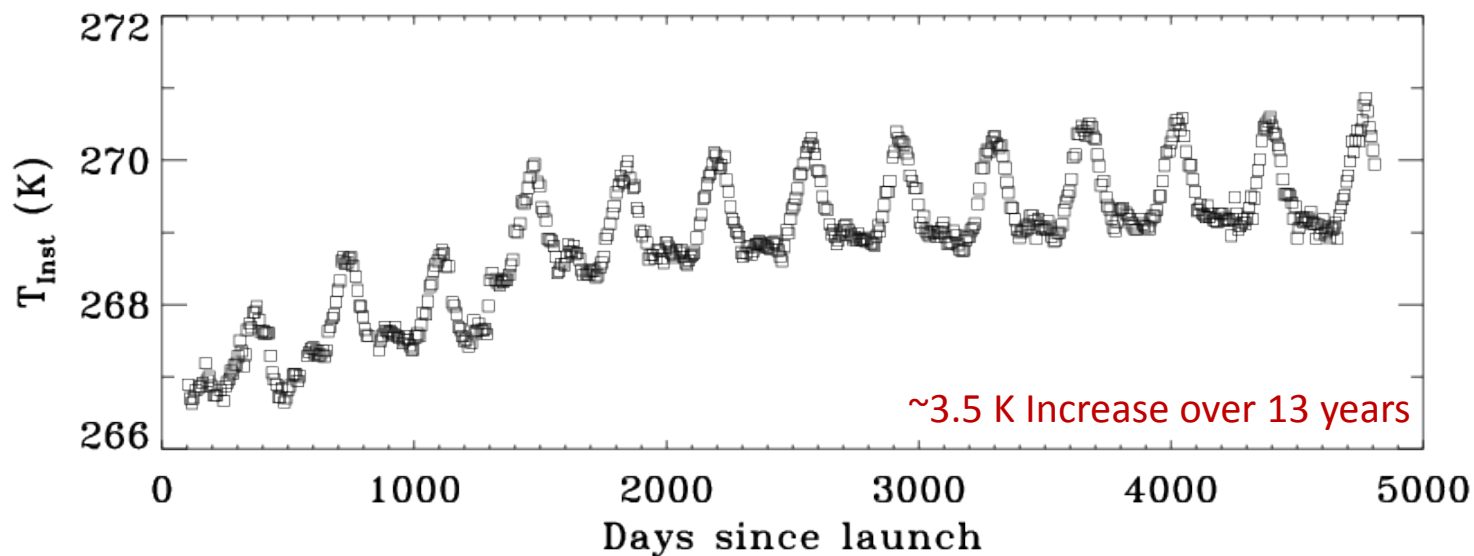


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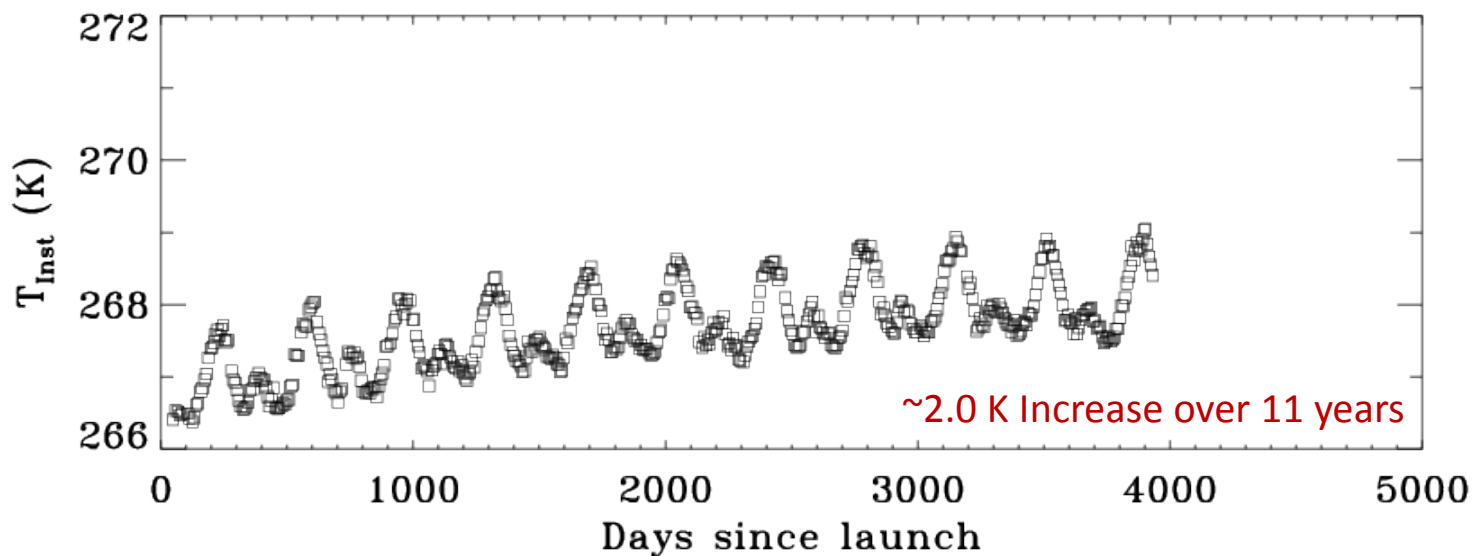


Telemetry Trends (Instrument)

Terra



Aqua

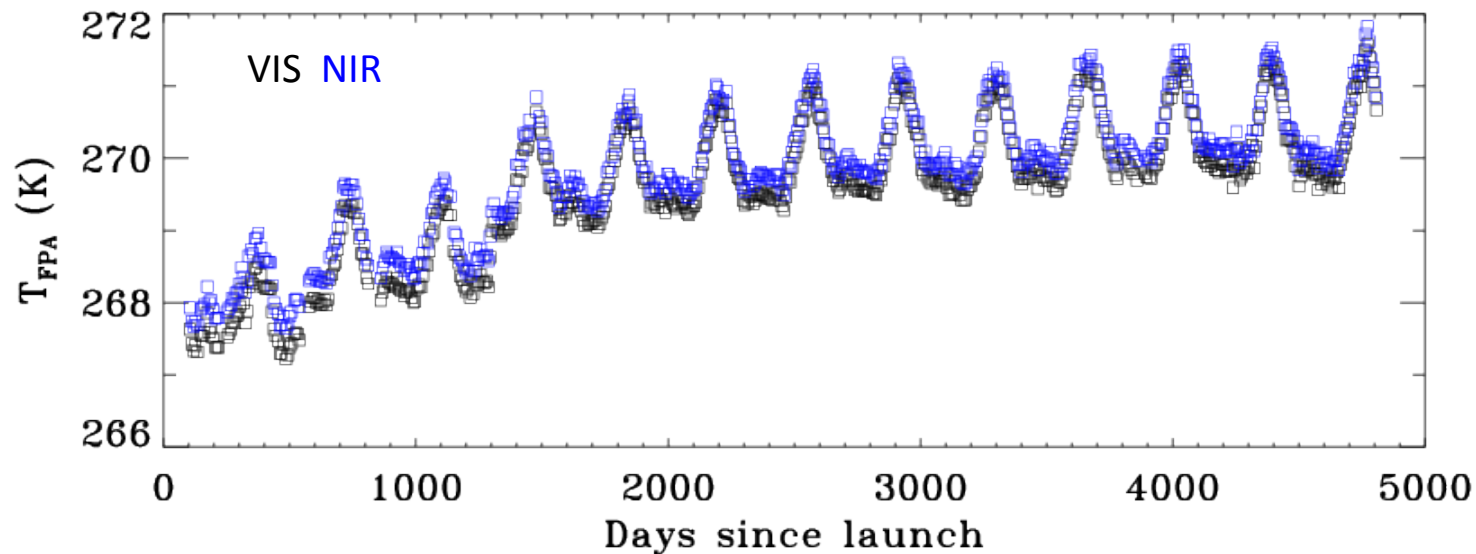


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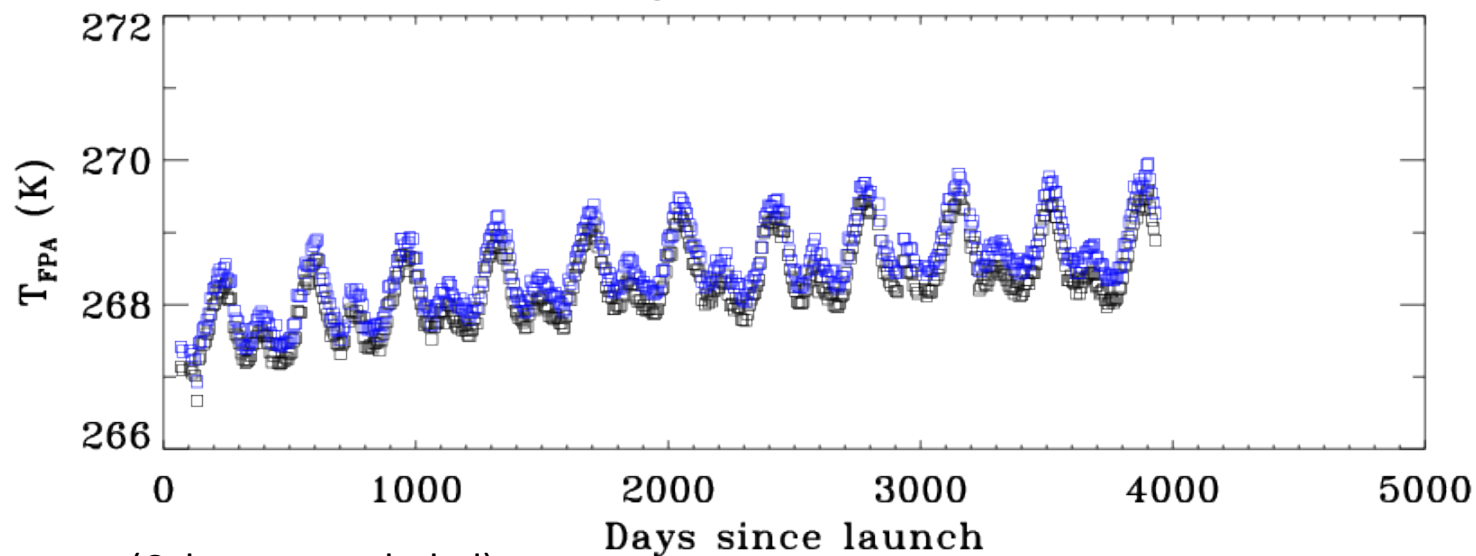


Telemetry Trends (Warm FPA)

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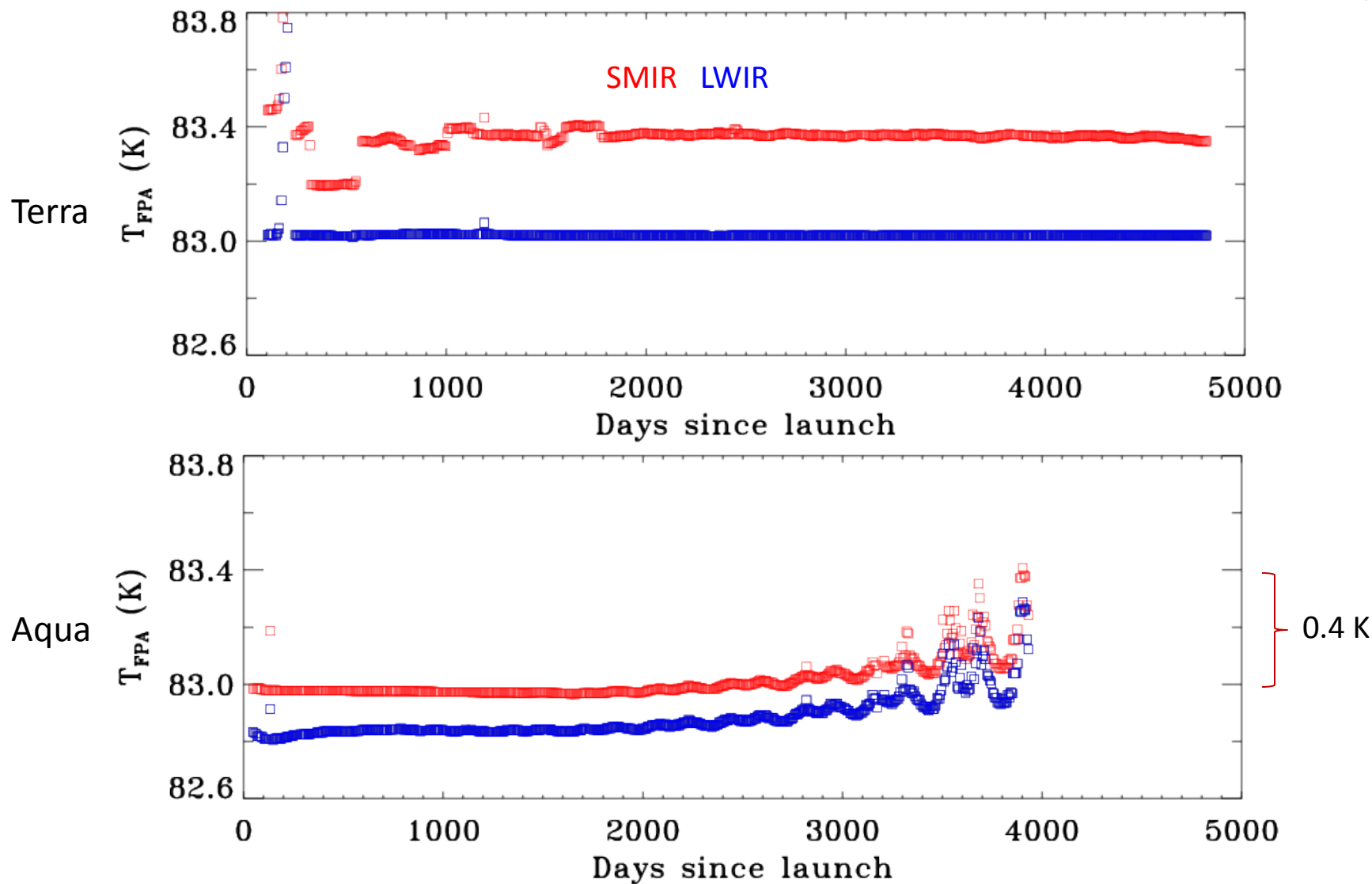
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Telemetry Trends (Cold FPA)

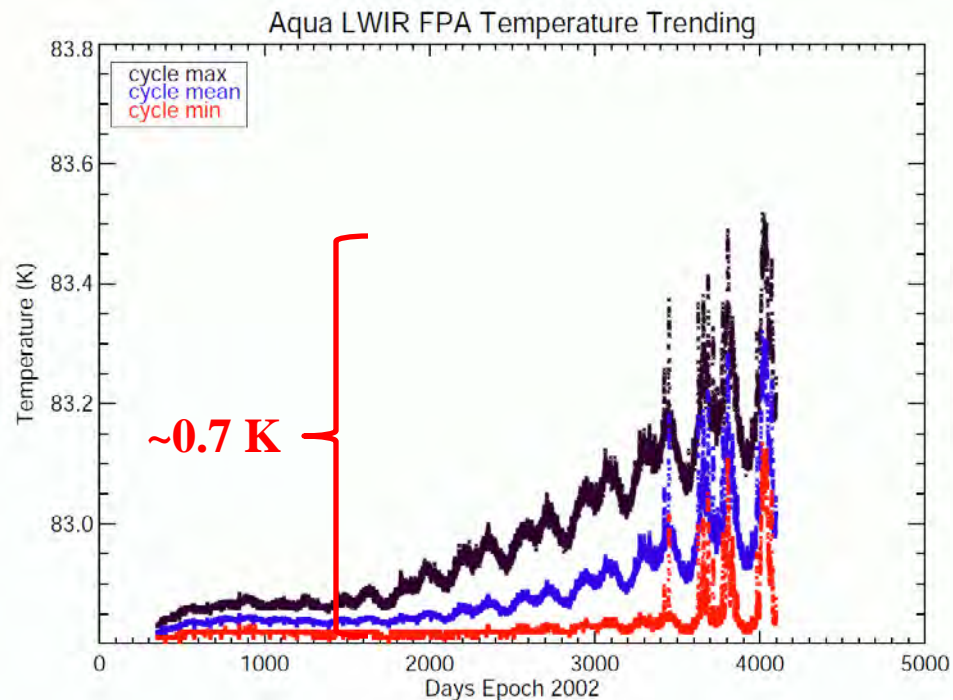
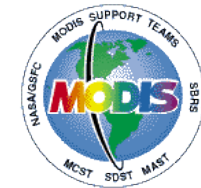


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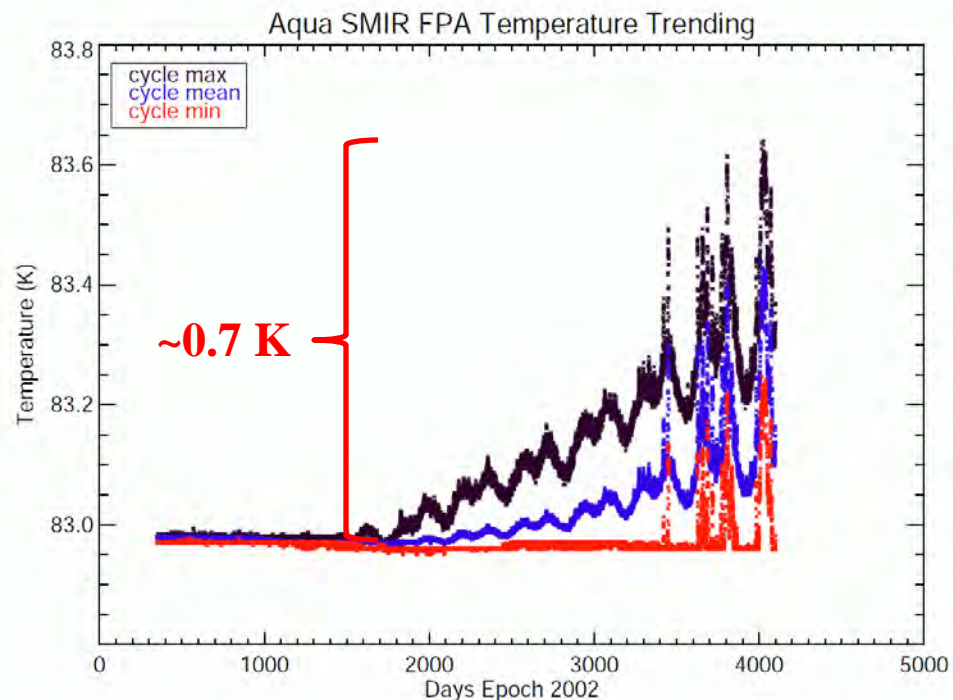


Aqua CFPA Oscillations

Long-term trend



LWIR



SMIR

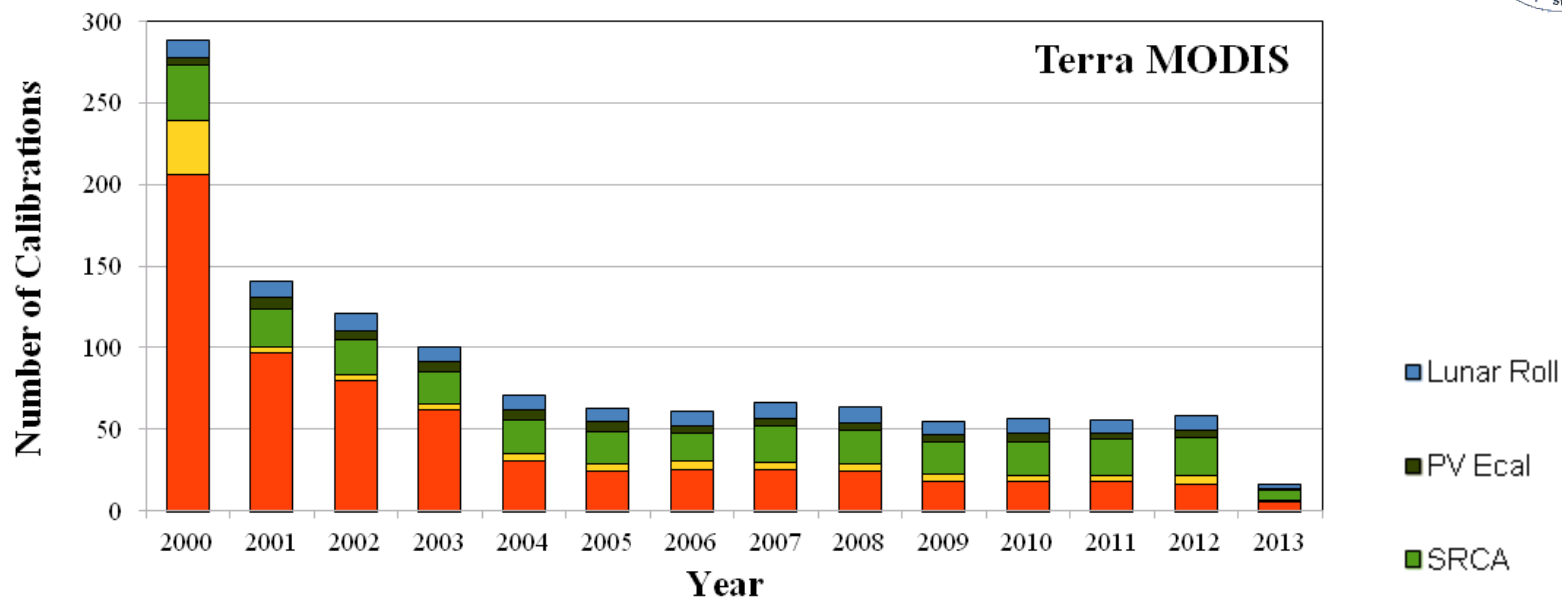
Max/Min of 4 orbits, every 8 hours



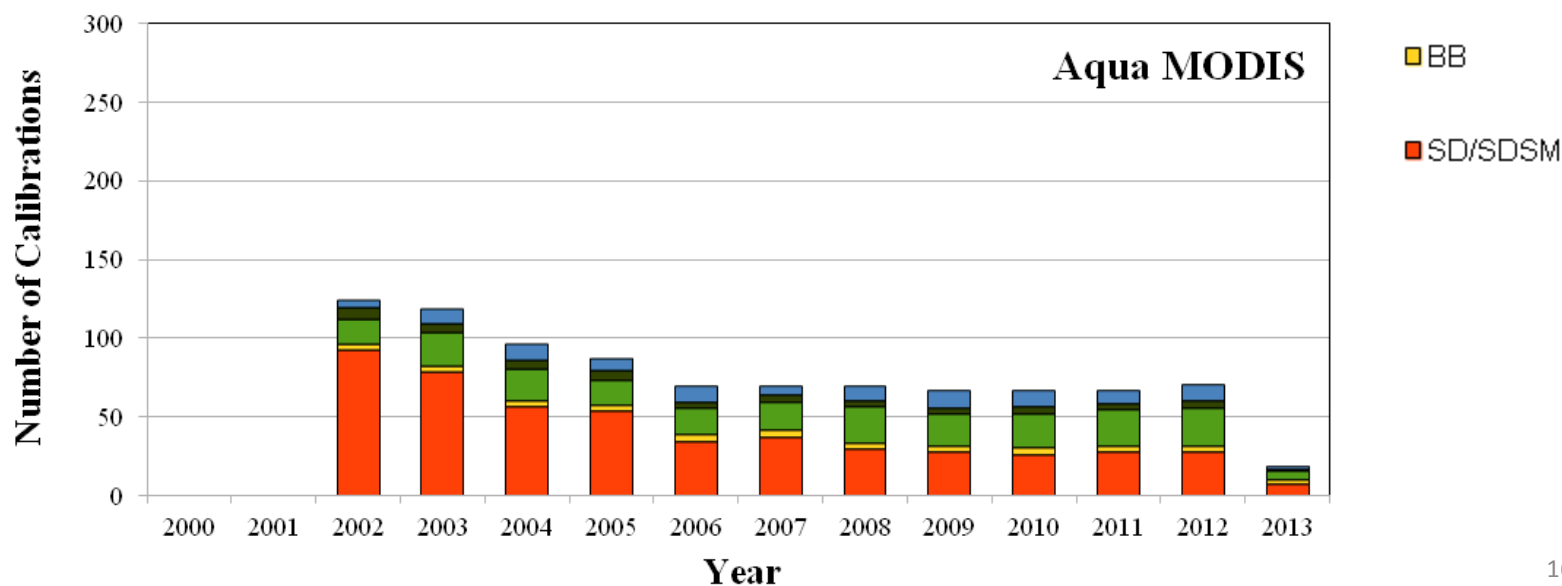
MODIS Calibration Operations



Terra



Aqua





Terra/Aqua MODIS OBC Operations



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Activity	PL to 05/12	05/12 – present	Total
SD/SDSM#	638	18	656
BB WUCD	79	5	84
SRCA*	352	21	373
Electronic Cal	75	5	80
Lunar Roll	112	11	123

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Activity	PL to 05/12	05/12 - present	Total
SD/SDSM#	466	27	493
BB WUCD	43	5	48
SRCA*	225	23	248
Electronic Cal	55	5	60
Lunar Roll	93	10	103

Open & Screened Activities counted independently

* Includes Spatial, Spectral and Radiometric

05/12 = last Science Team Meeting



SRCA Calibrations



- Terra – 373 SRCA Calibrations
- Aqua – 248 SRCA Calibrations

Lamp Power		10W				1W	
Lamp #		1	2	3	4	1	2
Terra	Usage (hr)	312.9	172.1	190.3	107.5	587.6	282.0
	Life (hr)	500	500	500	500	4000	4000
	percent	62.6%	Failed on 11-20-2004	Failed on 2-18-2006	21.5%	14.7%	7.1%
Aqua	Usage (hr)	306.6	188.0	205.7	114.8	528.2	274.9
	Life (hr)	500	500	500	500	5000	5000
	percent	61.3%	Failed on 4-14-2003	Failed on 6-28-2005	23.0%	10.6%	5.5%



Future Operational Considerations



- Aqua MODIS CFPA temperature control
 - Currently set at 83K with observed ~ 0.4 K orbital oscillation
 - Minimal impact on science data
 - Mitigation options are under investigation
- Aqua SD/SDSM door movements
 - Passed projected lifetime limit on movements
 - No change in current frequency of SD calibration activities planned at this time

	PL to 05/12	05/12 to present	Total	Design Lifetime	% Used
Terra*	2146	0	2146	3022	71.01
Aqua+	3002	68	3070	3022	101.59

* As of 07/02/2003, SD Door in fixed 'open' position with screen in place

+ Aqua reached designed lifetime of door movement on DOY 2012/191 (July 2012).



MODIS Level 1B and LUT Status



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C5/C6 L1B Code and LUT Updates



- C6 L1B product for both Terra and Aqua have been reprocessed and are available for use by the science community.
- No L1B code changes made since last STM.
- LUT updates for each MODIS forward processing (since the last Science Team Meeting (5/2/2012))
 - Terra MODIS C5: 18; C6: 11; Aqua MODIS C5: 10; C6: 13
 - Additional LUTs generated, tested, and delivered to OBPG (Ocean Biology Processing Group) and Wisconsin University for special investigations
 - Most LUT updates were driven by response changes of VIS bands



Number of MCST L1B Code and LUT Versions

(as of 2013-04-17)

Year	Terra Code Versions	Terra LUTs C2	Terra LUTs C3	Terra LUTs C4	Terra LUTs C5	Terra LUTs C6	Aqua Code Versions	Aqua LUTs C3	Aqua LUTs C4	Aqua LUTs C5	Aqua LUTs C6	Total
2000	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
2001	3	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
2002	3	0	1	0	0	0	3	3	1	0	0	11
2003	3	0	0	19	0	0	3	0	17	0	0	42
2004	1	0	0	17	0	0	1	0	11	0	0	30
2005	2	0	0	18	10	0	2	0	11	6	0	49
2006	0	0	0	20	14	0	0	0	12	9	0	55
2007	1	0	0	1	13	0	0	0	0	11	0	26
2008	1	0	0	0	16	0	1	0	0	8	0	26
2009	2	0	0	0	18	0	1	0	0	8	0	29
2010	1	0	0	0	18	0	1	0	0	13	0	33
2011	1	0	0	0	18	0	2	0	0	15	1	37
2012	1	0	0	0	21	8	1	0	0	13	13	57
2013	0	0	0	0	5	4	0	0	0	2	3	14
Total	24	3	6	75	133	12	15	3	52	85	17	425

Does not include internal deliveries, nor special deliveries to Ocean Color Group or Miami & Wisconsin



C6 L1B Major Code Changes



- **Interpolation for inoperable detectors no longer applied.**
 - Explicit fill value (SI = 65531) now used in L1B.
- **Noisy/Inoperable detector (sub-sample) QA flag**
 - If sub-sample is inoperable, the scaled integer value will be set to the flag value 65525
- **The sector rotation data handling**
 - A data anomaly is caused by the mismatch of the timing of the instrument command to perform the sector rotation and the reporting of the telemetry point that reports the angle of sector rotation.
 - The same fix was also made to C5 PGE02 on 2010-02-25 in versions 5.0.46 (Terra) and 5.0.39 (Aqua).
- **RVS model for the RSB changed from quadratic to quartic polynomial.**
- **LWIR FPA temperature dependent default b1 algorithm for Aqua bands 33, 35 and 36.**
- **Revised algorithms for calculation of the uncertainty for RSB and TEB**



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Low clouds over the Yellow Sea
MODIS acquired this true-color image on March 28, 2012 of low clouds hung over the Yellow Sea.

[MODIS Characterization Support Team \(MCST\)](#)

The MODIS Characterization Support Team (MCST) is dedicated to the production of a high quality MODIS calibration product. MCST developed the L1B algorithm and all parameters necessary to run the code, and develops the quality assurance and verification of L1B product enhancements. The MCST flight operations team supports MODIS operations on orbit through command and control of the instrument. Responsibilities include developing MODIS operations scenarios, creating the operations database, monitoring instrument health and safety, and operating the MODIS on-orbit.

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[Instrument Operations Team](#)

The purpose of the MODIS Instrument Operations Team (IOT) is to plan, schedule, and monitor MODIS activities. The MODIS Instrument Operations Team schedules a daily set of Operational Activities using the Instrument Support Toolkit (IST) software package provided by the EOS Flight Operations Segment.

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[Calibration](#)

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[L1B Product](#)

The Level 1B Code generates data products containing calibrated radiances for all 36 MODIS bands and reflectances for the reflective Solar bands (Bands 1 through 19 and 26). Collection 5 processing is ongoing and is producing Level 1B products. Current L1B LUTs: **Terra:** Version 5.0.46.34 **Aqua:** Version 5.0.39.27

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Latest News

[Terra Data Loss](#)

Terra MODIS experienced a data loss on 2012/093 15:57:34 to 16:08:15 due to an SSR PWA Anomaly. Lost data may be recoverable from Direct Broadcast data.

MCST Calendar

April

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14



MODIS TEB Performance



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Outline



- Introduction
- TEB Performance
 - Stability & detector noise status
- TEB Collection-6
 - Changes and impacts on L1B
 - Uncertainty
- Summary



TEB Radiometric Calibration

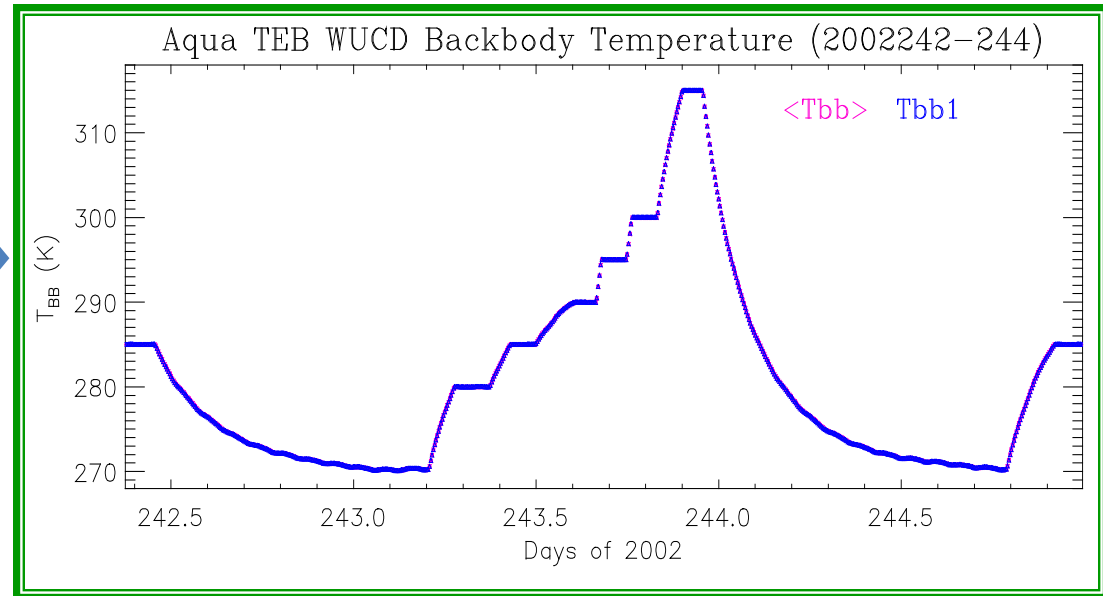
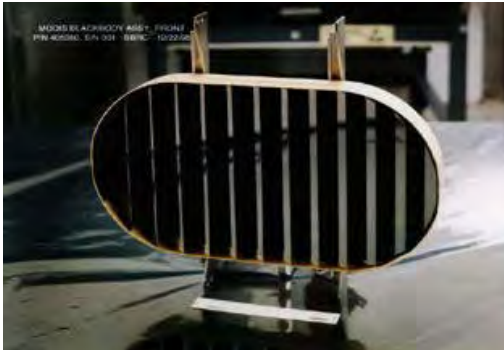


EV Radiance:

$$L_{EV} = \frac{1}{RVS_{EV}} \left(a_0 + b_1 \cdot dn_{EV} + a_2 \cdot dn_{EV}^2 - (RVS_{SV} - RVS_{EV}) \cdot L_{SM} \right)$$

Calibration Coefficients:

$$b_1 = \left(RVS_{BB} \cdot \varepsilon_{BB} \cdot L_{BB} + (RVS_{SV} - RVS_{BB}) \cdot L_{SM} + RVS_{BB} \cdot (1 - \varepsilon_{BB}) \cdot \varepsilon_{cav} \cdot L_{cav} - a_0 - a_2 \cdot dn_{BB}^2 \right) / dn_{BB}$$



RVS: Response Versus Scan-angle

e: Emissivity

L: Spectral band averaged radiance

dn: Digital count with background corrected

RSR: Relative Spectral Response

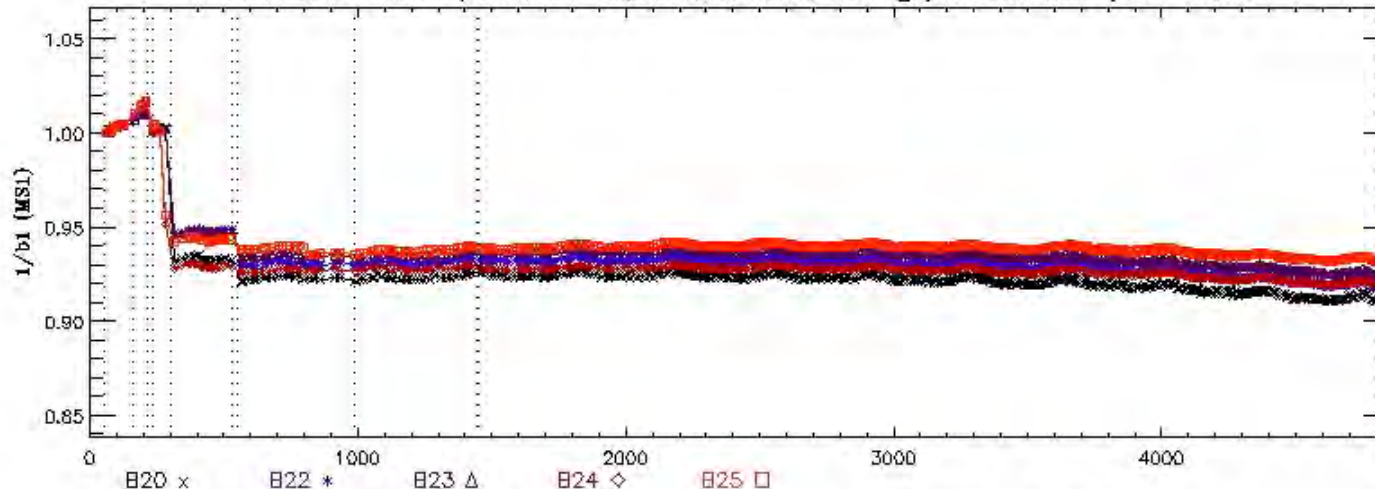
WUCD T_{BB} : 270 to 315K



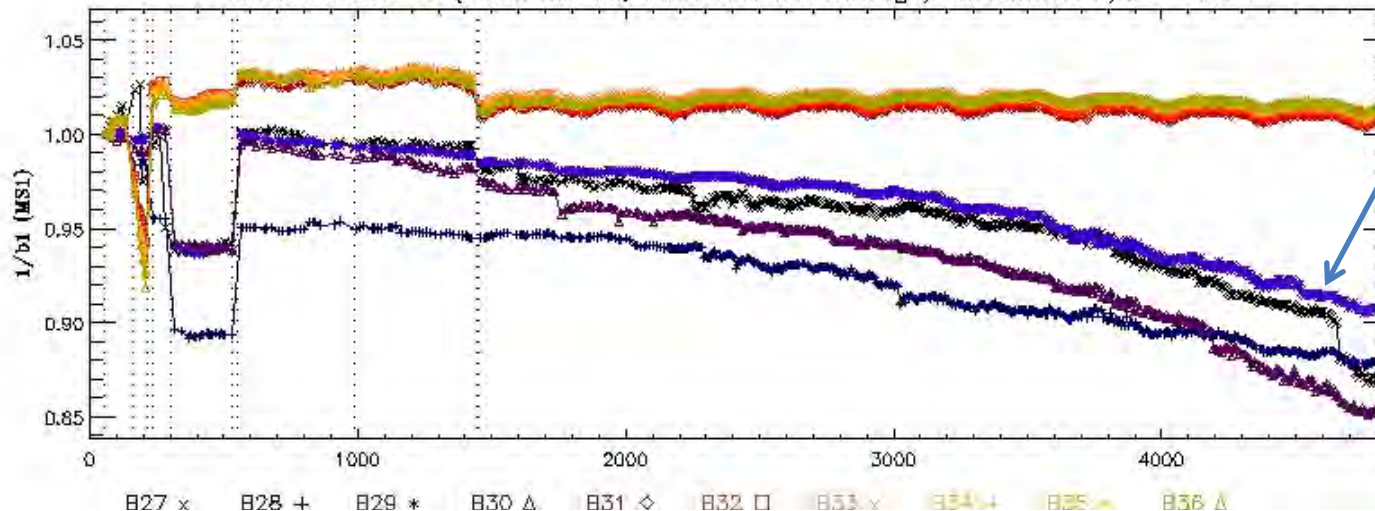
Terra MODIS Gain Trending



Terra MODIS MWIR (Bands 20–25; Good Detector Average) Normalized $1/b1$ – MS 1



Terra MODIS LWIR (Bands 27–36; Good Detector Average) Normalized $1/b1$ – MS 1



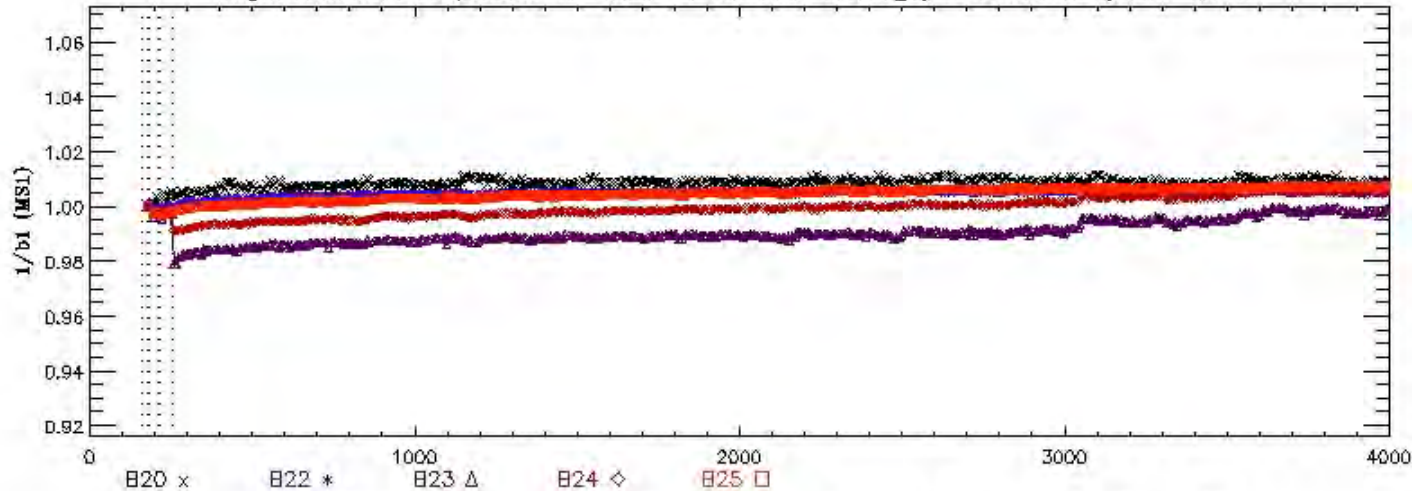
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20	-1.5
22	-1.5
23	-1.3
24	-0.9
25	-0.7
27	-9.0
28	-8.0
29	-8.0
30	-11.0
31	-0.5
32	-0.5
33	-0.5
34	-0.5
35	-0.3
36	-0.1



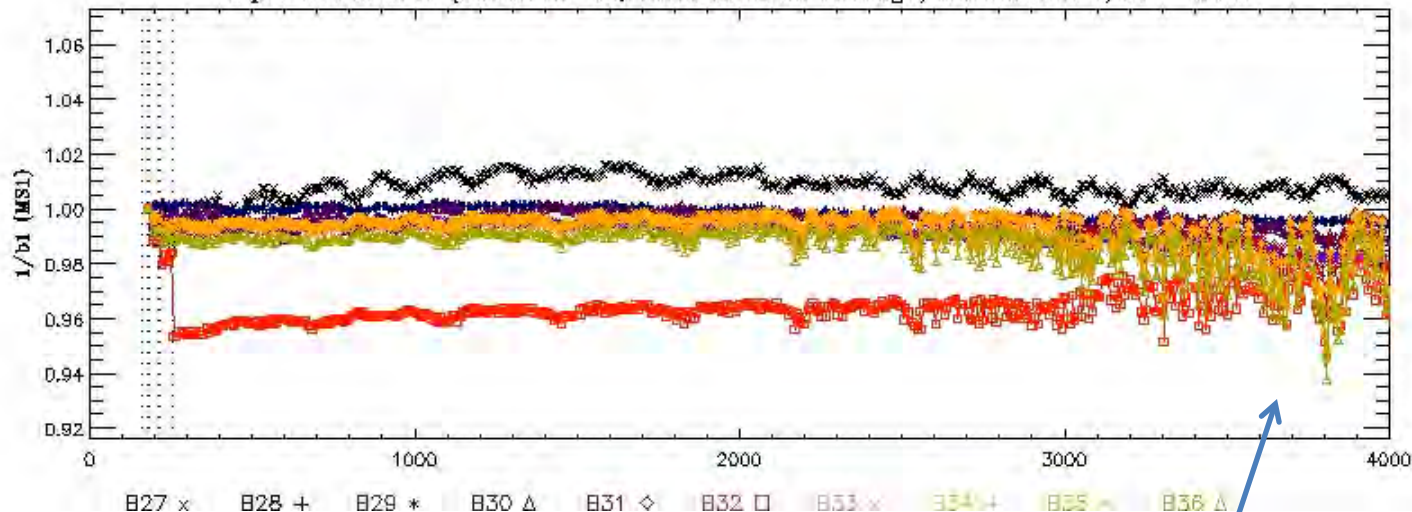
Aqua MODIS Gain Trending



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Aqua MODIS LWIR (Bands 27–36; Good Detector Average) Normalized $1/b1$ – MS 1

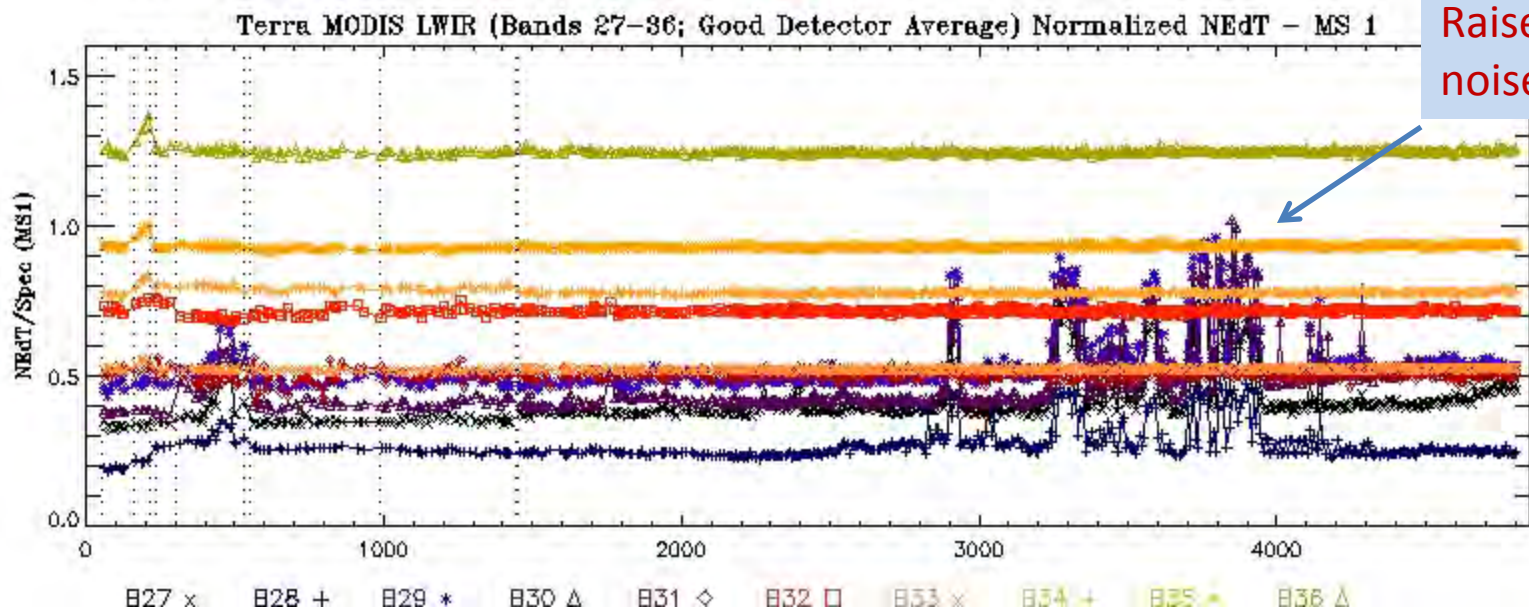
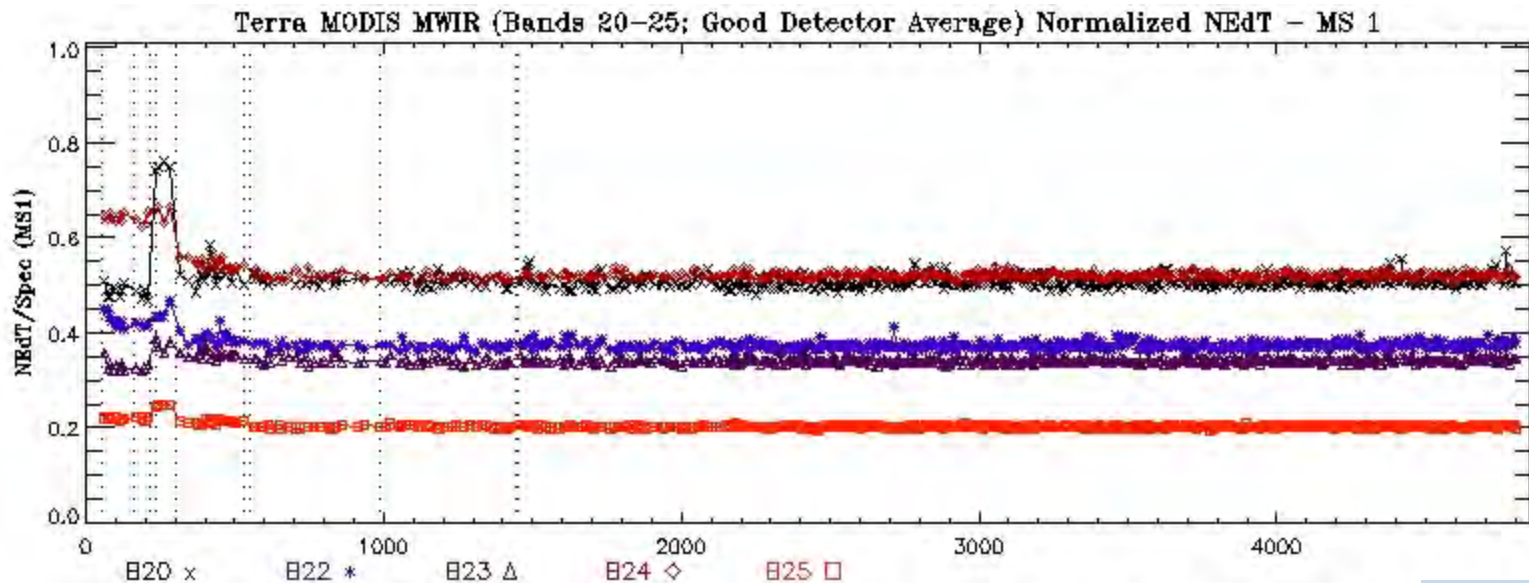


Band	Percent Change
20	0.2
22	0.3
23	1.4
24	1.3
25	0.6
27	-0.0
28	-0.8
29	-1.3
30	-0.7
31	-0.9
32	1.0
33	-1.6
34	-1.6
35	-1.6
36	-1.7

Increasing gain fluctuations

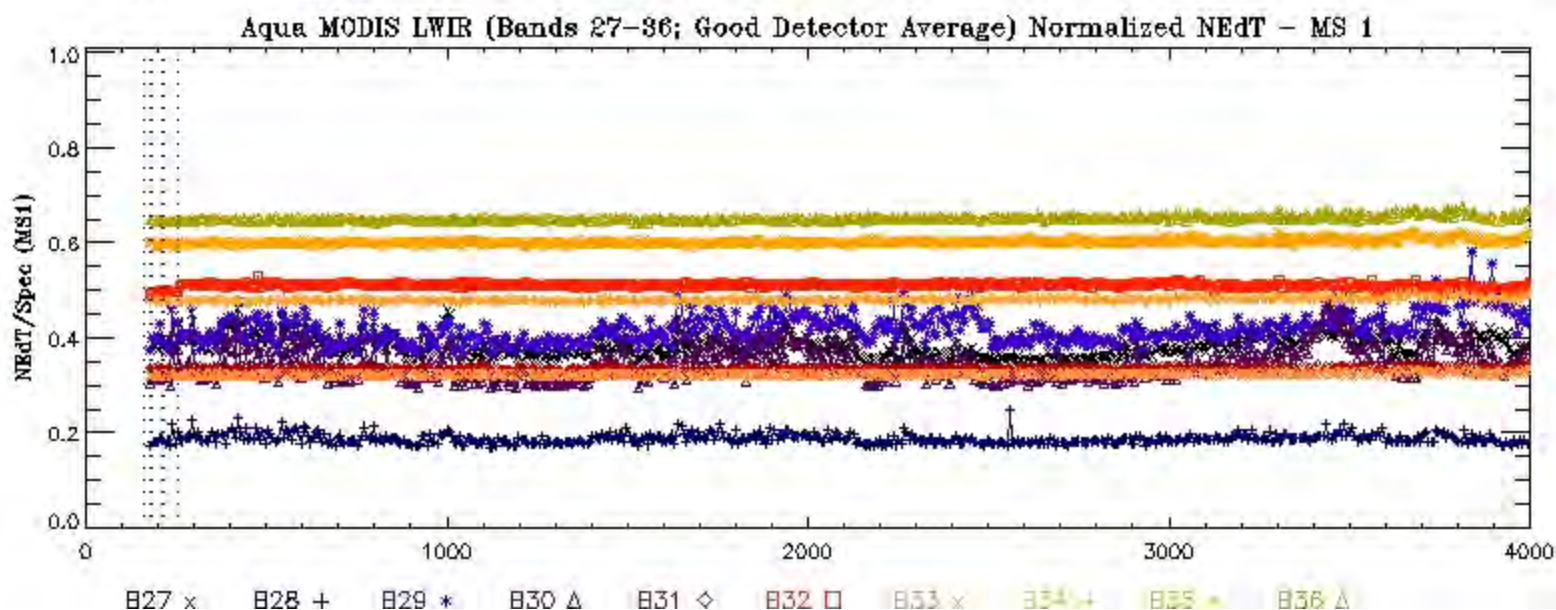
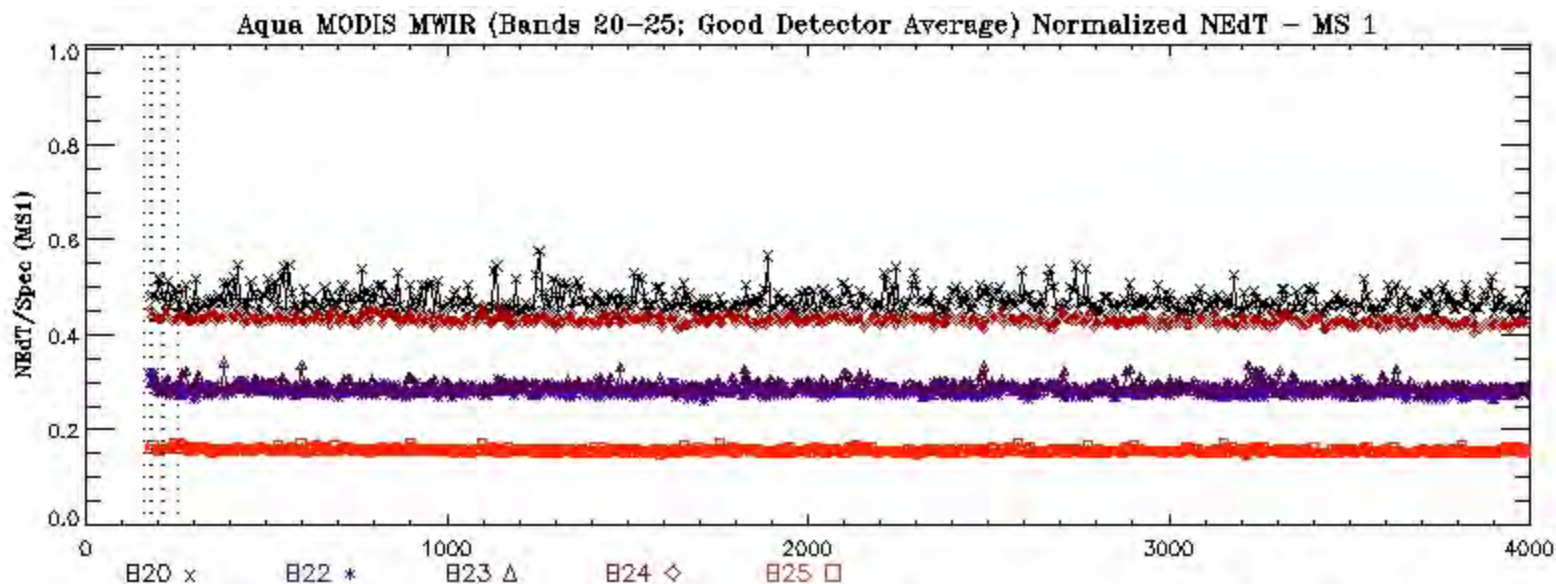


Terra MODIS NEDT Trending





Aqua MODIS NEDT Trending





MODIS Noisy Detector History



Detectors in Product Order

Terra

Band	Detector	Status	Date Classified
27	1	Noisy	Dec-03
	2	Noisy	Nov-08
	3	Noisy	Jul-07
	6	Noisy	Jul-00
	8	Noisy	Feb-06
28	1	Noisy	Jun-04
	8	Noisy	Dec-03
	9	Noisy	Nov-05
	10	Noisy	Apr-04
29	6	Inoperable	Aug-06
30	1	Noisy	Nov-08
	3	Noisy	Jun-06
	5	Noisy	Aug-00
	8	Noisy	Jan-01
33	1	Noisy	at launch
34	6	Noisy	Jun-00
	7	Noisy	at launch
	8	Noisy	at launch
36	1-10	Noisy	Pre- launch

Aqua

Band	Detector	Status	Date Classified
27	3	Noisy	Jan-05
29	2	Noisy	Feb-08
	8	Noisy	Dec-11
	6	Noisy	Feb-12
36	5	Inoperable	Pre-Launch

Total TEB Detectors = 160

Noisy Detectors:

Terra = 27, Aqua = 4

Inoperable Detectors:

Terra = 1, Aqua = 1



Changes in TEB Collection-6



1. Switched to use Terra and Aqua MODIS BB cool-down data to derive offset (a_0) and non-linearity (a_2) coefficients
2. Set $a_0 = 0$ for remaining Terra PV bands (20-30)
3. Adjusted Terra PV bands (B20, 22-30) a_0 of mirror-side 2 to reduce mirror-side dependent striping
4. Added more a_0/a_2 LUT timestamps for Terra to reflect early mission changes in configuration
5. Iterative adjustment of Aqua prelaunch a_2 for on-orbit drifts



Changes in TEB Collection-6



6. Revised approach for default b1 to compensate for Aqua CFPA temperature variations (B33, 35-36)
7. Re-computed TEB uncertainties to include time-dependent contribution of a_0/a_2 , etc.
8. QA handling: filled value for inoperable detectors and flag noisy or inoperable detectors on sub-frame basis
9. L1B code fix for sector rotation data (lunar roll) anomaly



Aqua TEB C6 a0/a2 Update



1. a0/a2 for B31 and 32 are derived using BB cool-down with $a_0 = 0$ (prelaunch coeff. Not used due to gain change)
2. a2 for rest TEB are derived by iteratively adjusting prelaunch a2 to maintain the initial post-launch differences in BT between using prelaunch and the first on-orbit a2
3. Impacts of the adjusted prelaunch a2 are evaluated at **typical temperature** of each band



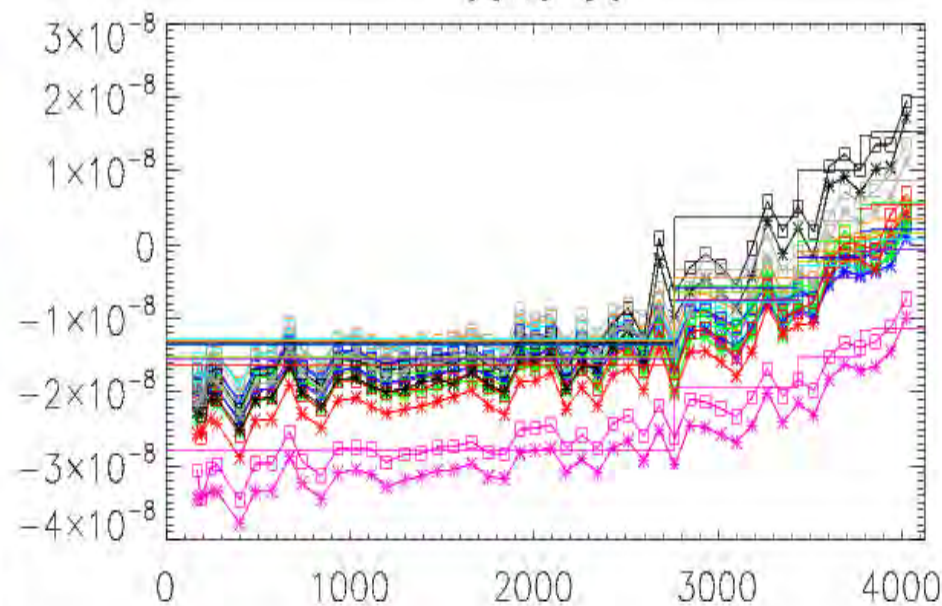
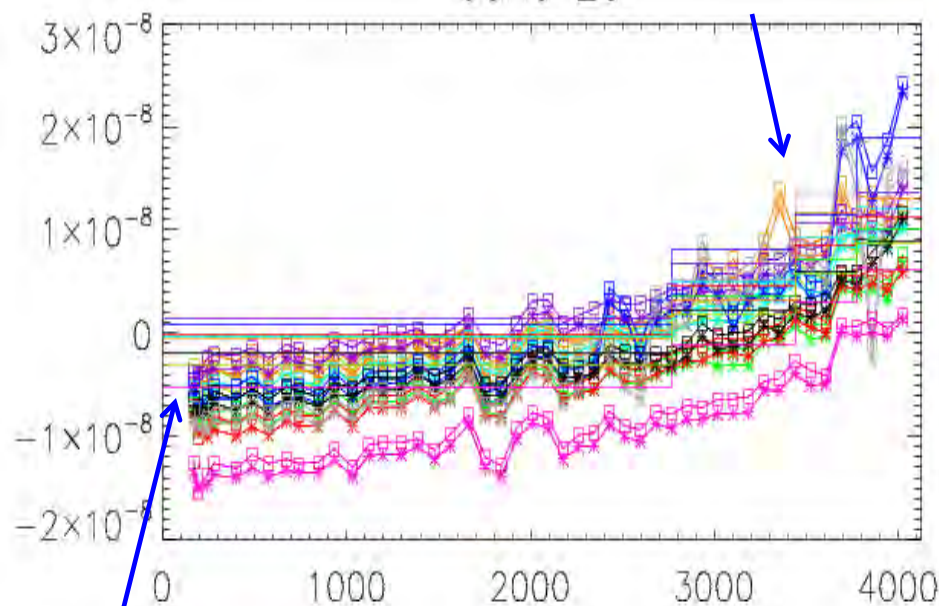
Aqua TEB C6 LUT Update by Iteratively Adjusting Prelaunch a2



Iteratively adjusted a2 LUT
(lines for the following timestamps)

band 29

band 30



Prelaunch a2 LUT
(lines for the first timestamp)

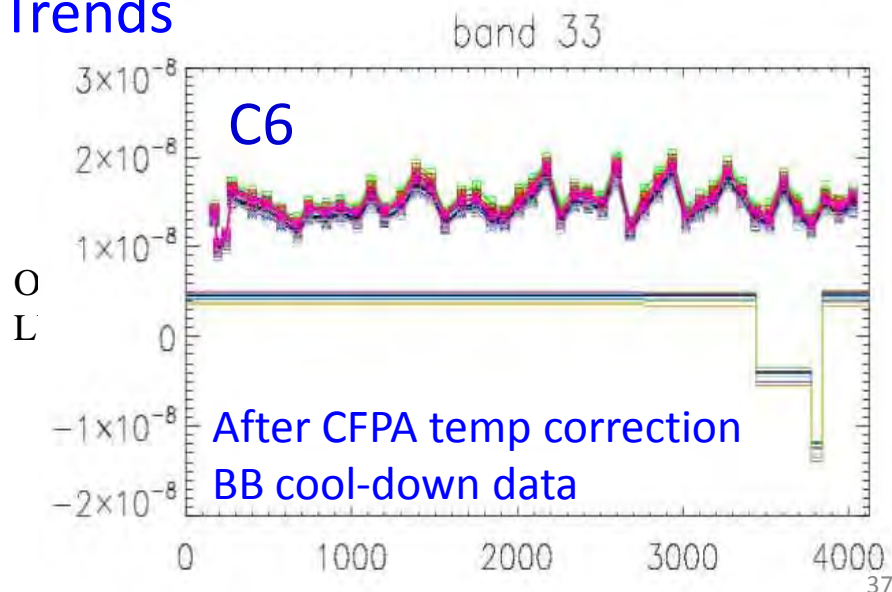
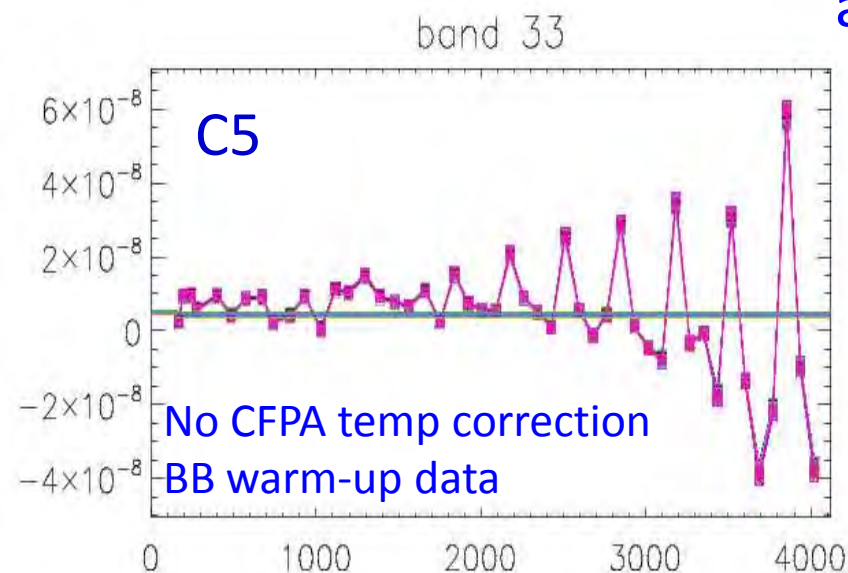


Aqua TEB C6 LUT Update by Correcting CFPA Temperature Fluctuations



1. Current Aqua CFPA temperature fluctuations are $\sim 0.6\text{K}$
2. These fluctuations cause increasing uncertainties in the calculation of a_0/a_2
3. A linear correction for Aqua CFPA temperature is applied to normalize detector responses at the same CFPA temperature of 83K
4. Largest impacts seen for PC bands (B31-36), particularly B33 and no impact on PV bands

a2 Trends





Estimated L1B Impact due to C6

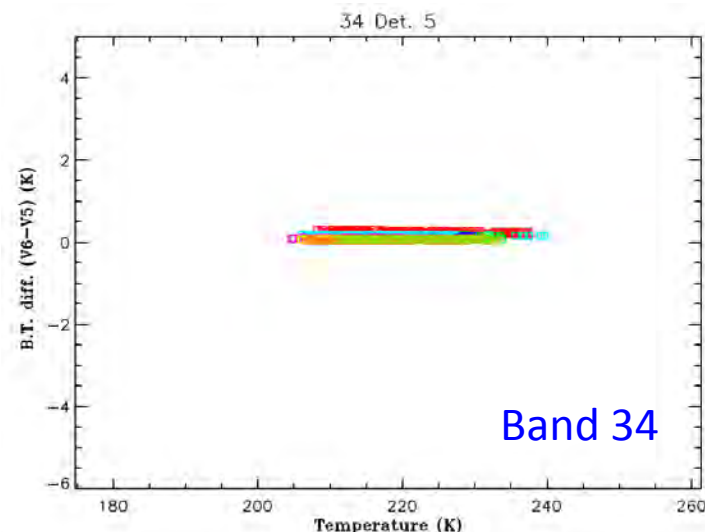
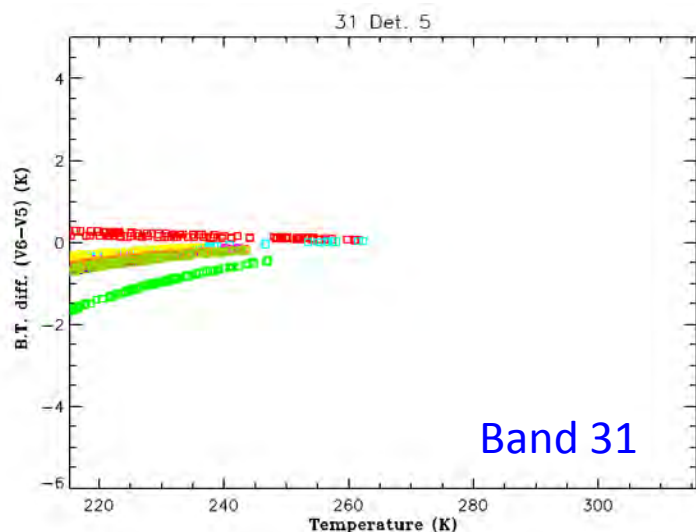
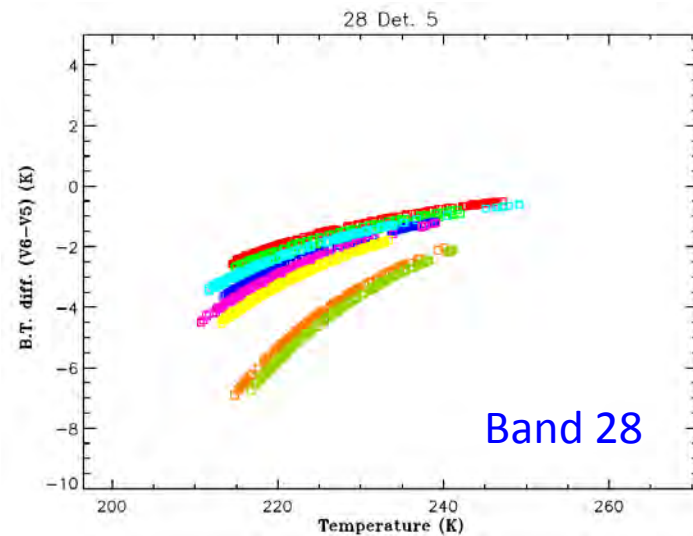
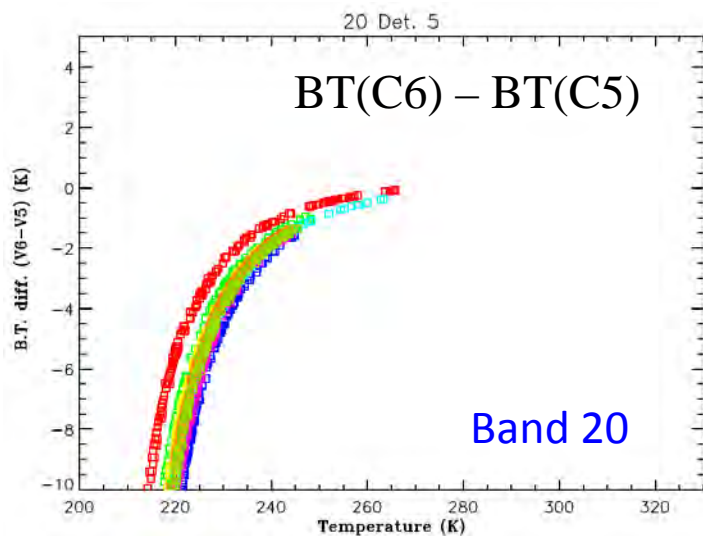


$\Delta T = BT(V6) - BT(V5)$ (K) (2013), actual differences are detector and time-dependent

Band	T_{typ}	Terra			Aqua		
		$\Delta T @ (0.3L_{typ})$	$\Delta T @ (L_{typ})$	$\Delta T @ (0.9L_{max})$	$\Delta T @ (0.3L_{typ})$	$\Delta T @ (L_{typ})$	$\Delta T @ (0.9L_{max})$
20	300	-0.11	0.03	0.05	0.02	-0.06	-0.41
22	300	-0.10	0.03	0.04	0.02	-0.06	-0.29
23	300	-0.10	0.03	0.04	0.02	-0.06	-0.28
24	250	-1.70	-0.46	-0.22	0.02	0.02	0.02
25	275	-0.52	-0.09	-0.04	0.02	0.01	0.00
27	240	-2.94	-1.06	-0.15	-0.07	-0.07	-0.05
28	250	-2.94	-0.40	0.05	-0.01	-0.01	0.00
29	300	-1.20	-0.28	-1.21	-0.05	0.04	0.11
30	250	-8.52	-0.13	0.66	-0.14	-0.12	-0.07
31	300	-0.27	-0.03	-0.13	-0.37	-0.02	-0.09
32	300	-0.33	-0.04	-0.14	-0.34	-0.03	-0.12
33	260	0.08	0.05	0.03	0.19	0.12	0.04
34	250	0.06	0.05	0.04	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
35	240	0.04	0.04	0.04	-0.09	-0.08	-0.07
36	220	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02

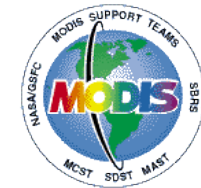


Terra TEB C6 Assessment for Dome C



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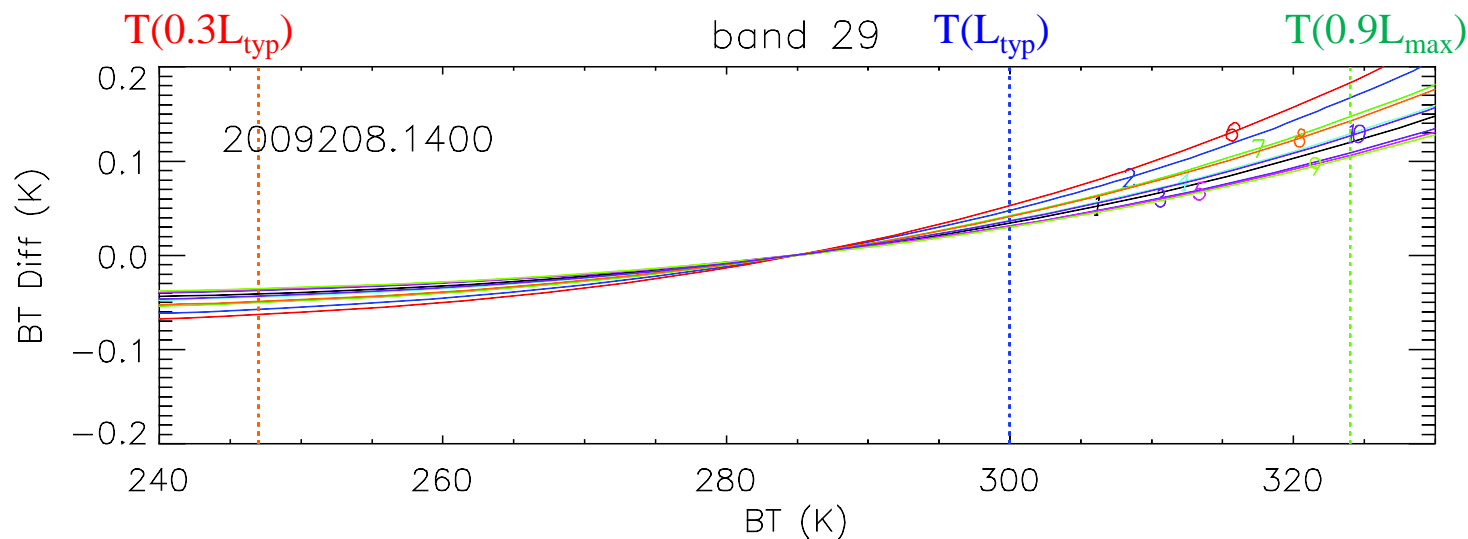
Example shown for Det. 5 for nadir looking frames of EV



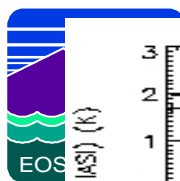
Aqua TEB C6 LT impact – Band 29

C5 – No update

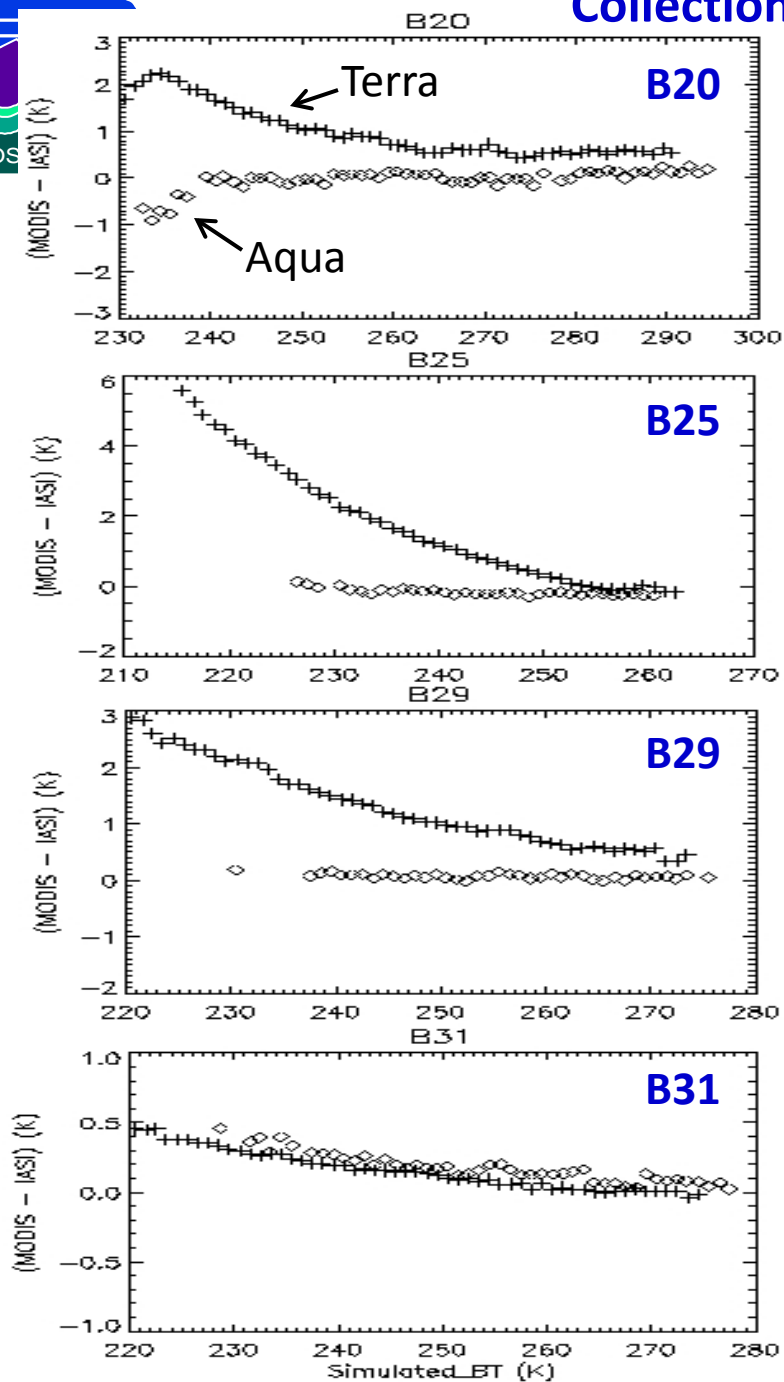
C6 – Updated using iteration algorithm



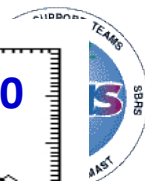
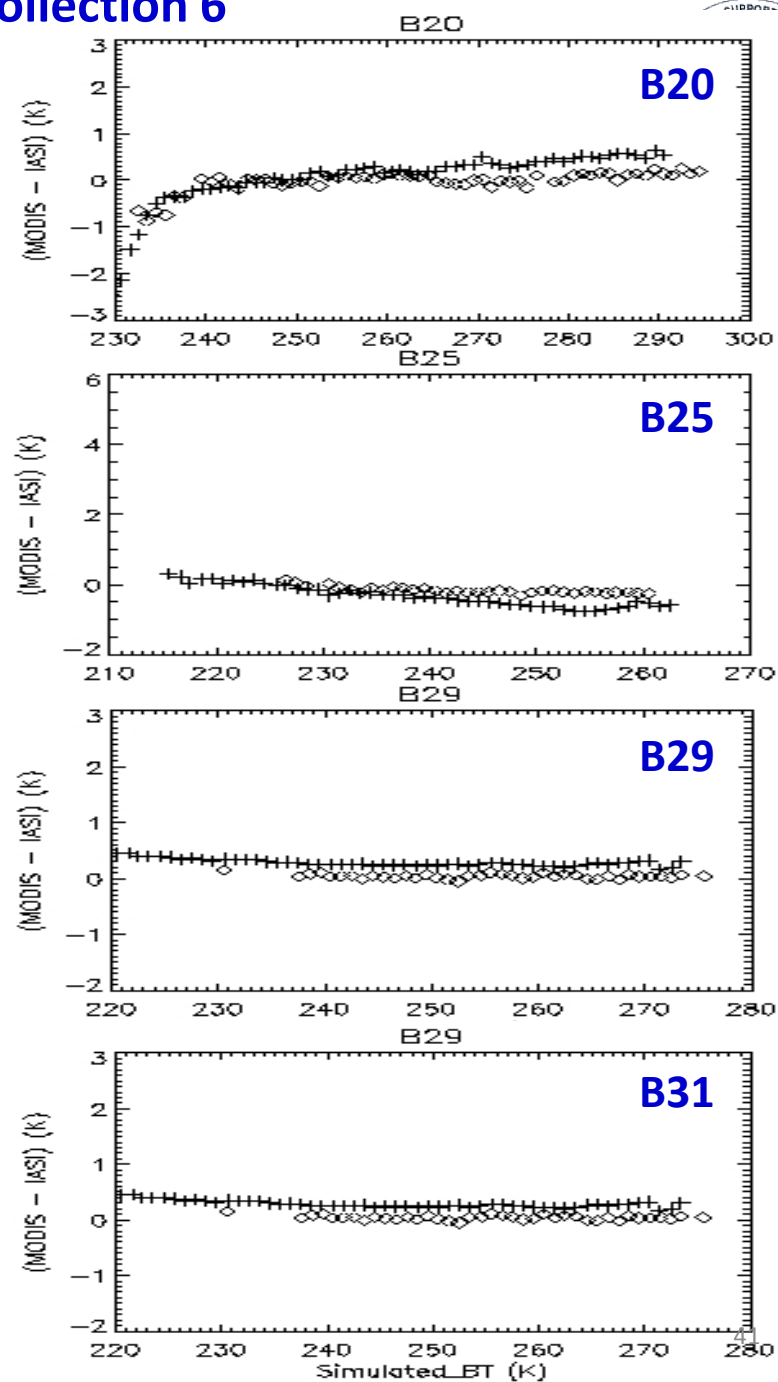
Trends of on-orbit BB WUCD a_0/a_2 show that there are noticeable drifts in Aqua band 29 and 30. An update example of a_2 (2009208) is made using iterative adjustment of prelaunch a_2



Collection 5

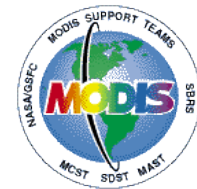


Collection 6

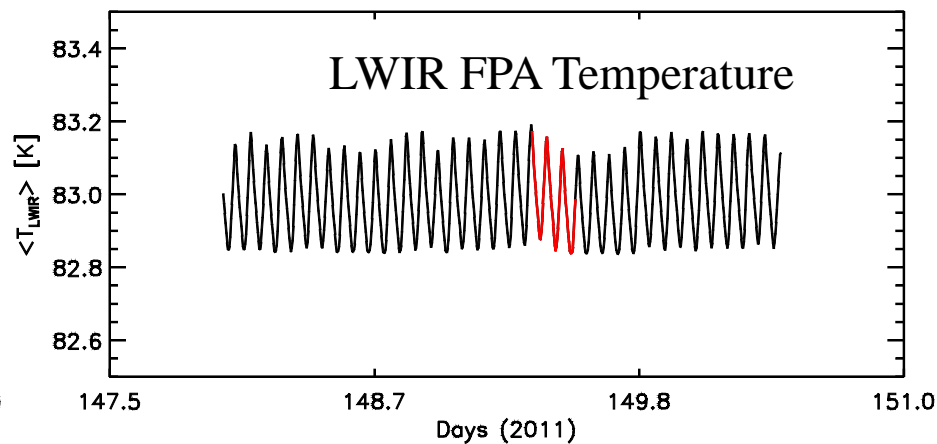
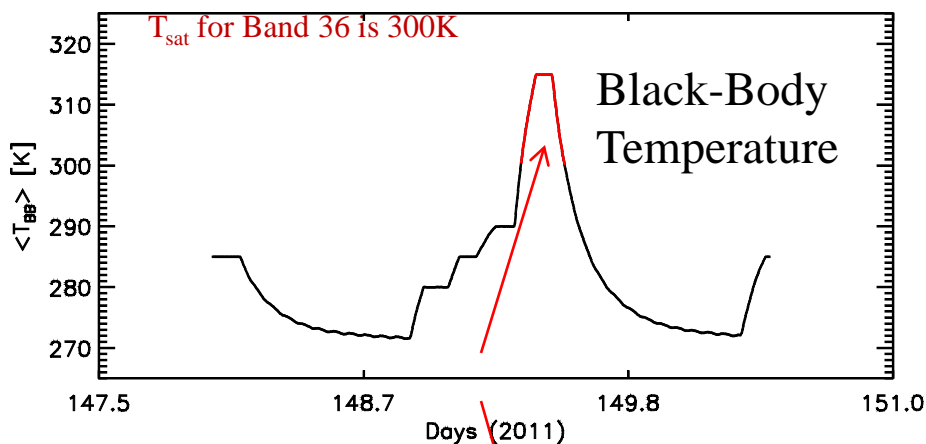




Aqua TEB Default b1

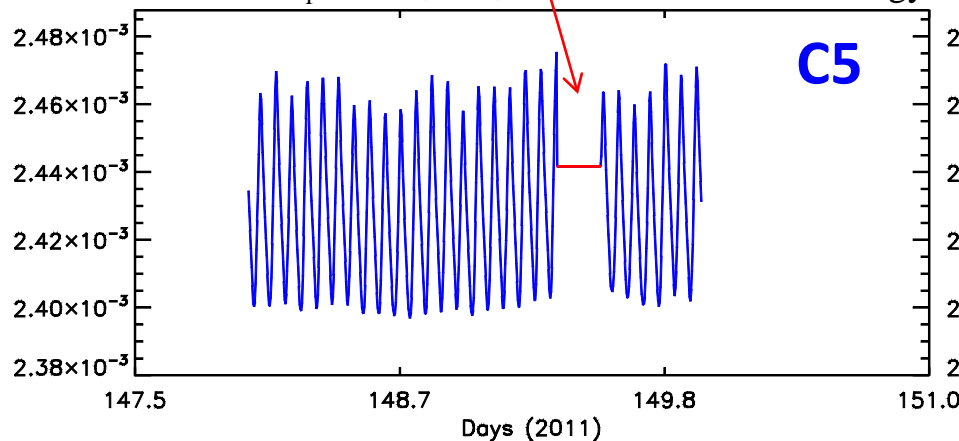


A linear relation between Aqua CPPA temperature and gain (b1) is used to compute default b1

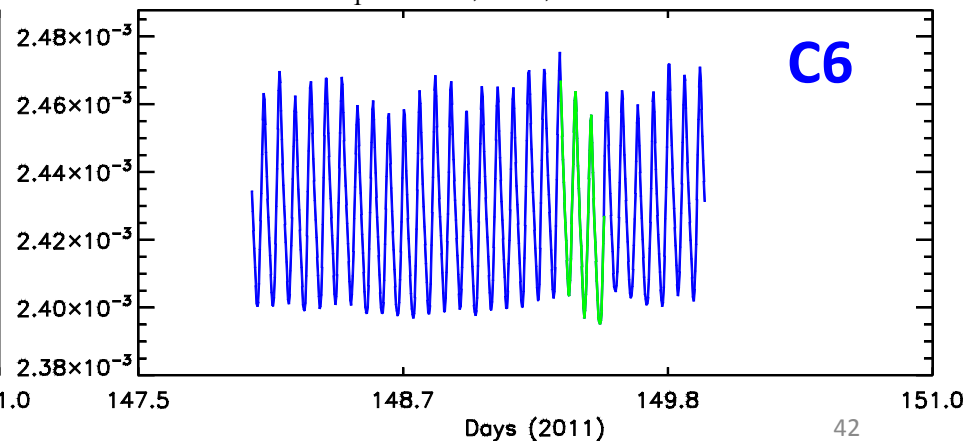


Saturation of detector response (B33, 35&36)

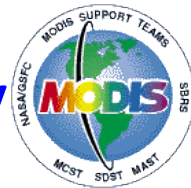
Band 36 b_1 for D1, M1; Previous L1B methodology



Band 36 b_1 for D1, M1; Modified default b1



All Data shown are granule averaged



TEB EV Radiance Retrieval and Uncertainty

- EV TEB Radiance Retrievals:

$$L_{EV} = \frac{1}{RVS_{EV}} \cdot \left\{ (a_0 + a_2 \cdot dn_{EV}^2) + [RVS_{BB} \cdot \varepsilon_{BB} \cdot L_{BB} + (RVS_{SV} - RVS_{BB}) \cdot L_{SM} + \right. \\ \left. RVS_{BB} \cdot (1 - \varepsilon_{BB}) \cdot \varepsilon_{CAV} \cdot L_{CAV} - a_0 - a_2 \cdot dn_{BB}^2] \cdot \frac{dn_{EV}}{dn_{BB}} - (RVS_{SV} - RVS_{EV}) \cdot L_{SM} \right\}$$

- ❖ Special calibration for Band 21 (Terra & Aqua): use fixed linear gain “band_21_b1”; a_0 & a_2 are zero for B21.
- ❖ Special correction for PC bands 32-36 crosstalk (for Terra only; Aqua has no PCX): use Band 31 as sender; Crosstalk coefficients “pc_xt_table” are applied to both BB and EV data.
- ❖ The EV radiance is a function of several parameters determined from pre-launch or on-orbit observations: (Note: $RVS_{BB}=1$ and $\delta RVS_{BB}=0$)

- EV TEB Radiance Uncertainty:

$$L_{EV} = L_{EV}(a_0, a_2, RVS_{SV}, RVS_{EV}, \varepsilon_{BB}, \varepsilon_{CAV}, \lambda, T_{BB}, T_{SM}, T_{CAV}, dn_{BB}, dn_{EV}, b1_{B21}, PCX)$$

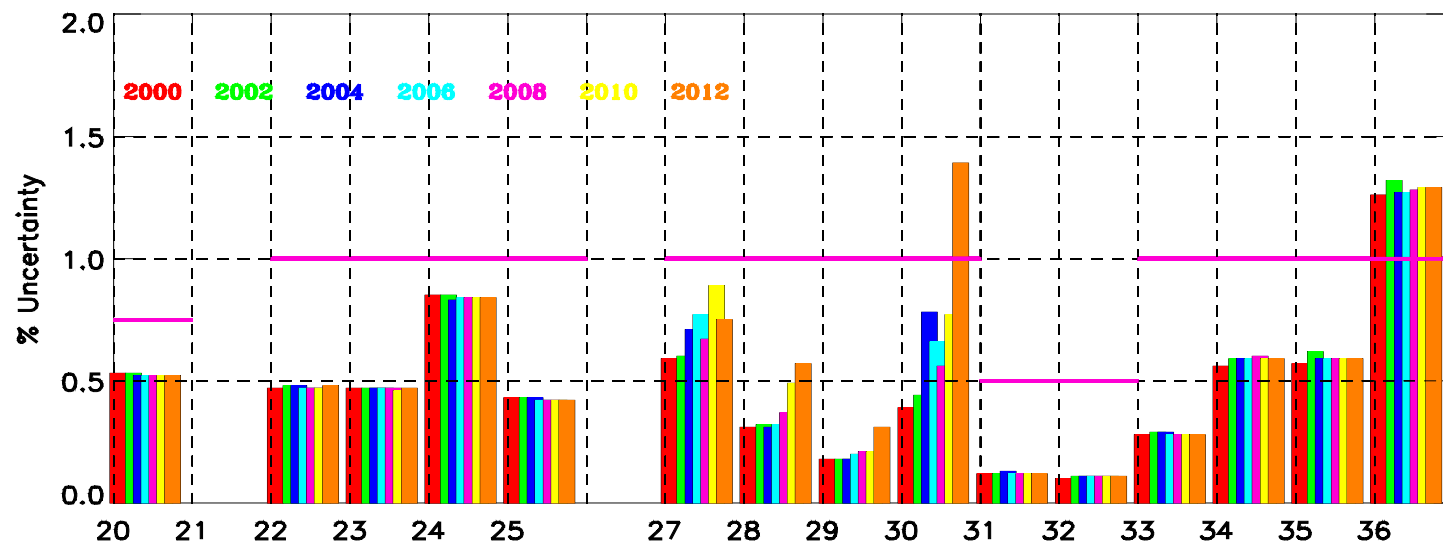
(1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9) (10) (11) (12) (13) (14)

$$\frac{dL_{EV}}{L_{EV}} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{14} \left(\frac{dL_{EV}^i}{L_{EV}} \right)^2}$$

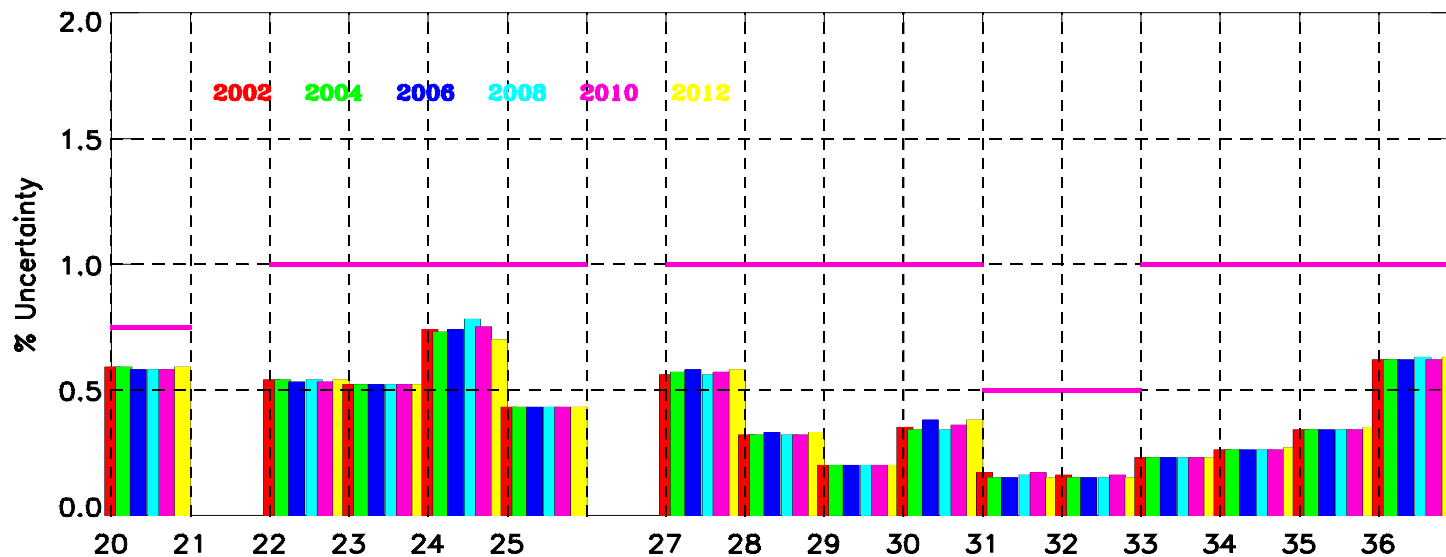
L1B UI is converted to percent (%)



Terra – Uncertainty at L_{typ} , and Nadir viewing AOI



Aqua – Uncertainty at L_{typ} , and Nadir viewing AOI





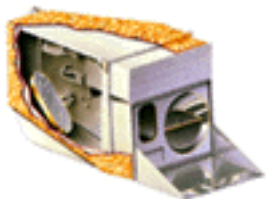
Summary



- Measured temperatures (i.e., radiances) for cold scenes will be significantly lower in most Terra PV bands (B20, 22-30).
- For both Terra and Aqua bands 31/32, measured temperatures for cold scenes will also be noticeably lower
- C6 significantly reduces Terra/Aqua differences in PV bands
- A simple Aqua default b1 algorithm improves L1B data quality (B33, 35-36) during BB WUCD periods when the detector response saturates
- Mirror-side striping for cold scenes expected to be reduced in C6
- TEB uncertainties are slightly larger than those in C5



MODIS RSB Calibration Performance



MCST Workshop at MST Meeting (April 17, 2013)





Outline



- Introduction
- RSB calibration using SD/SDSM
 - SD degradation performance
 - RSB gain performance
- Lunar calibration
 - RSB gain from lunar measurements
- EV response trending
 - On-orbit RVS change
- Instrument Performance Summary



Introduction



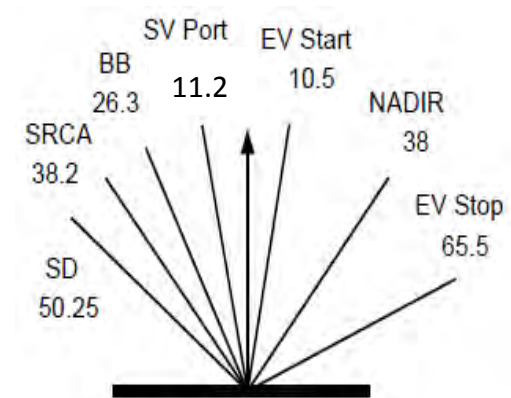
- **EV Reflectance**

$$\rho_{EV} \cdot \cos(\theta_{EV}) = m_1 \cdot d_{Earth_Sun}^2 \cdot dn_{EV} \cdot (1 + k_{Inst} \cdot \Delta T_{Inst}) / RVS$$

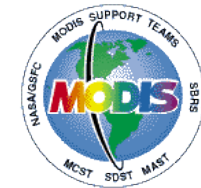
- LUT needing to be updated for RSB
 - m1: Inversely proportion to gain at the AOI of SD
 - RVS: Sensor Response versus Scan angle (normalized to SD view AOI to the scan mirror)
 - Uncertainty Index (UI)
- Calibration Source
 - SD/SDSM calibration
 - Lunar observation
 - SRCA and EV mirror side (MS) ratios
 - Response trending from EV targets



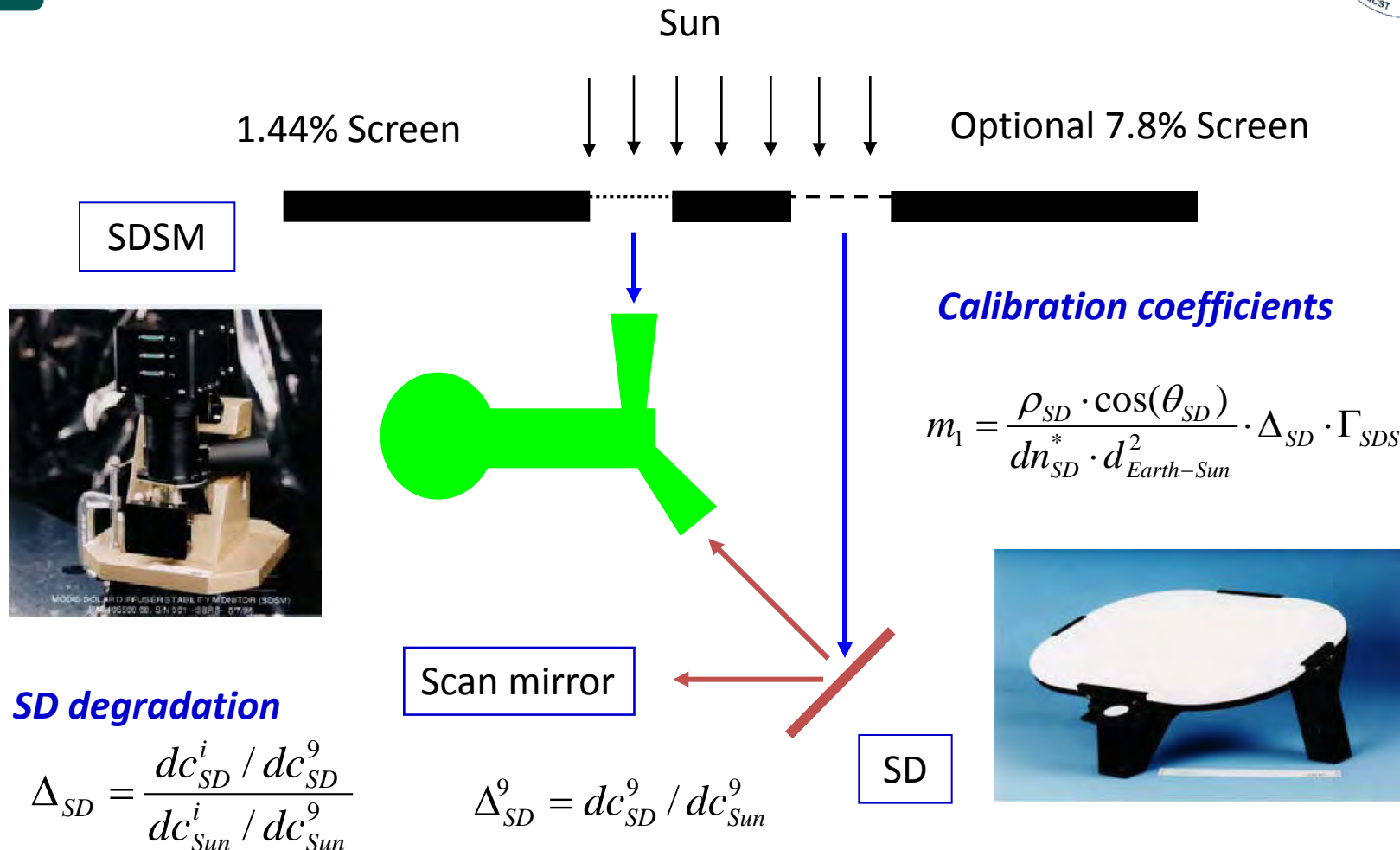
MODIS scan mirror



Angle of Incidence (AOI)



RSB SD Calibration

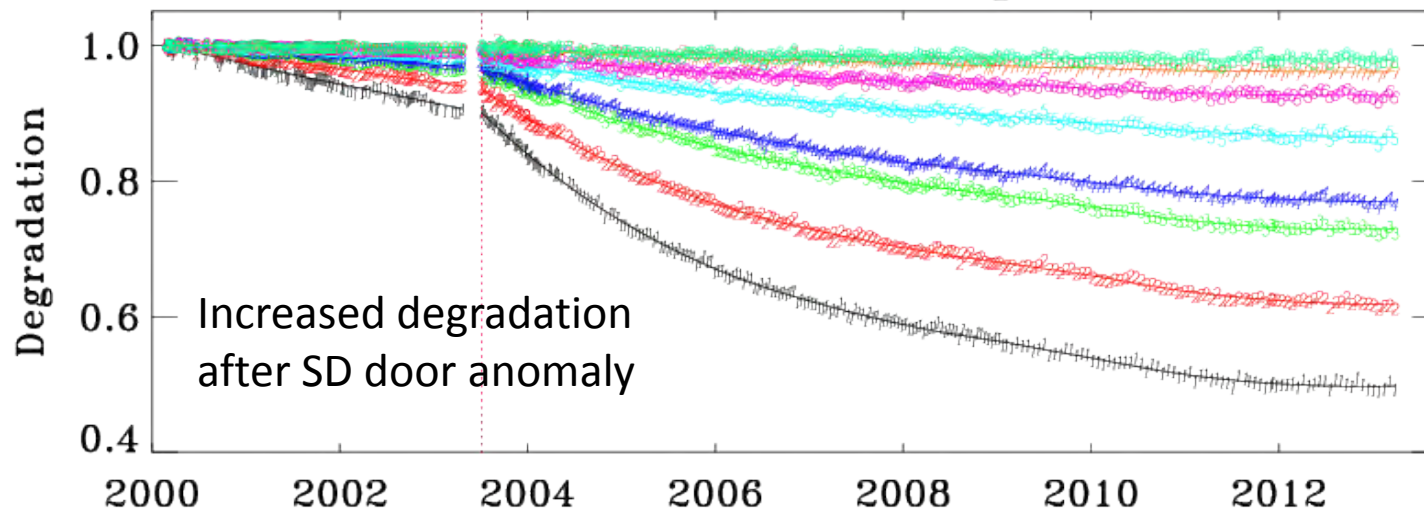


SD degradation at wavelength 936 nm measured by SDSM D9 is included in Collection 6 through the entire mission and also included in Collection 5 for Terra after Jan. 1, 2009 and Aqua after March 1, 2009.

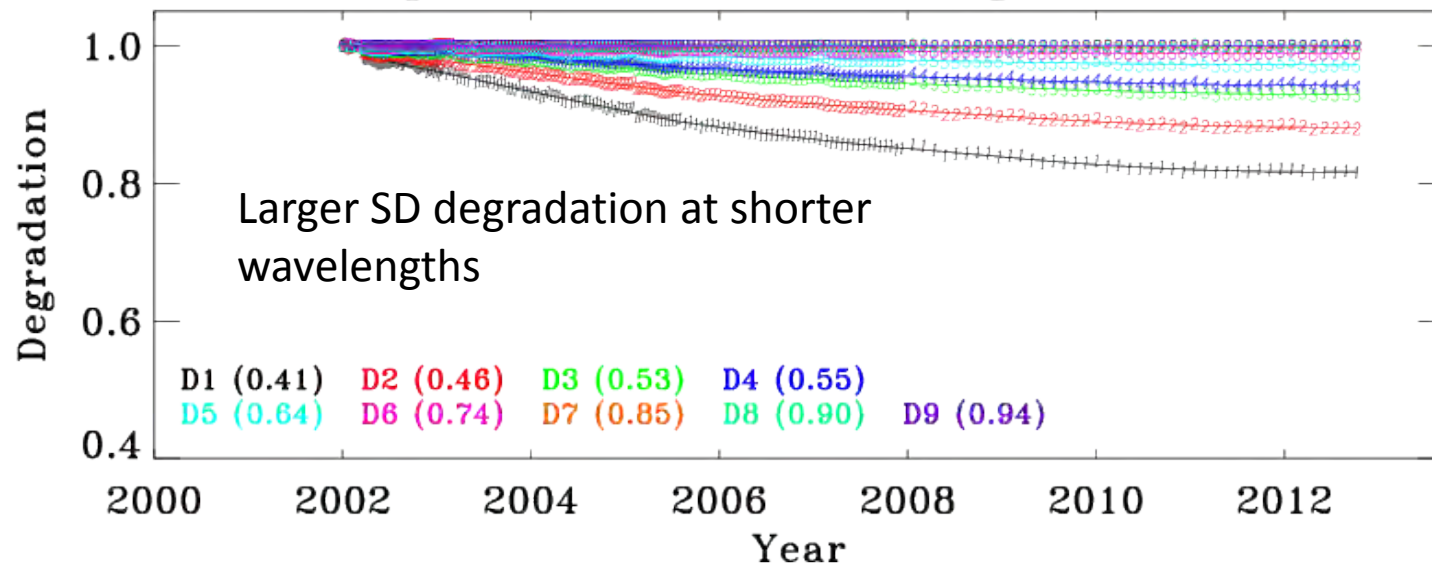


MODIS SD Degradation

Terra Normalized SD degradation

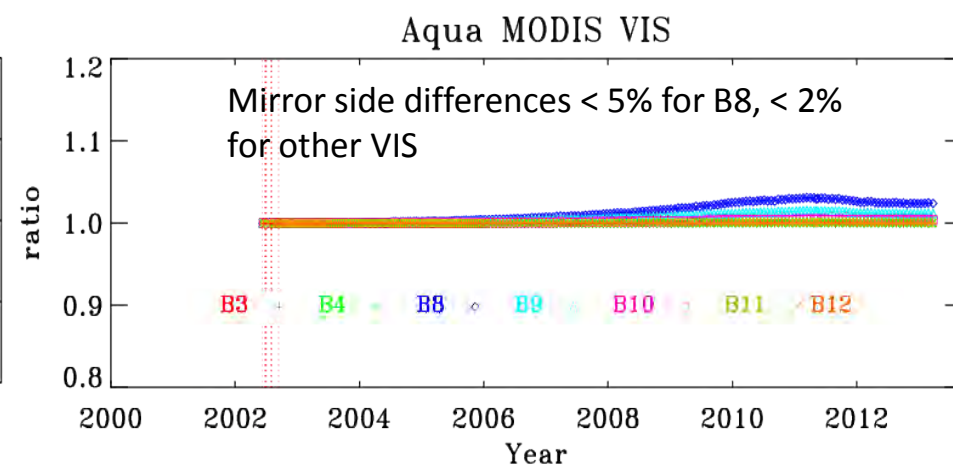
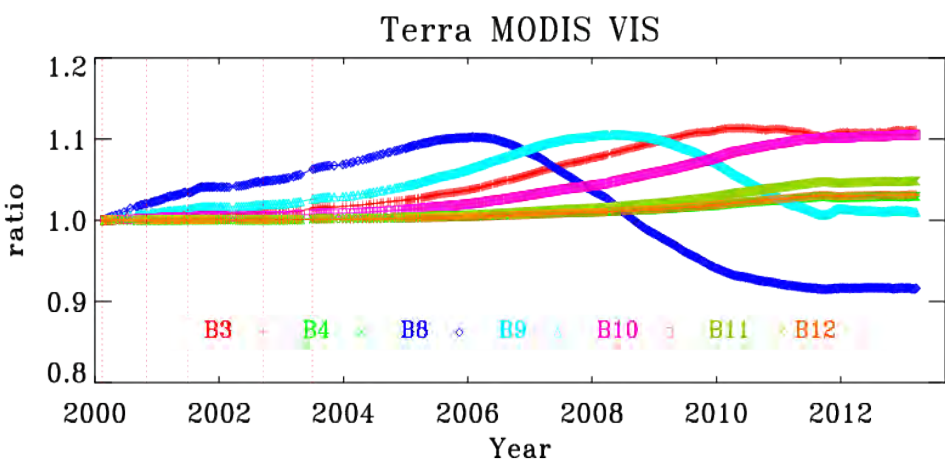
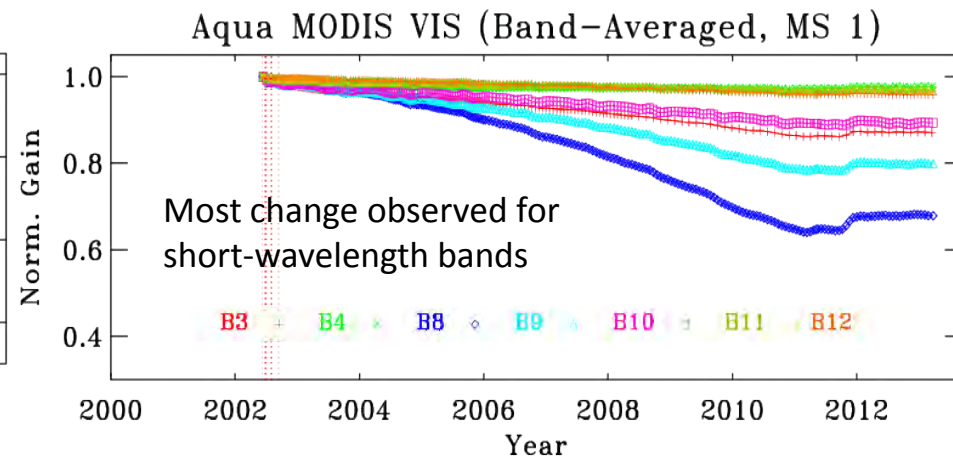
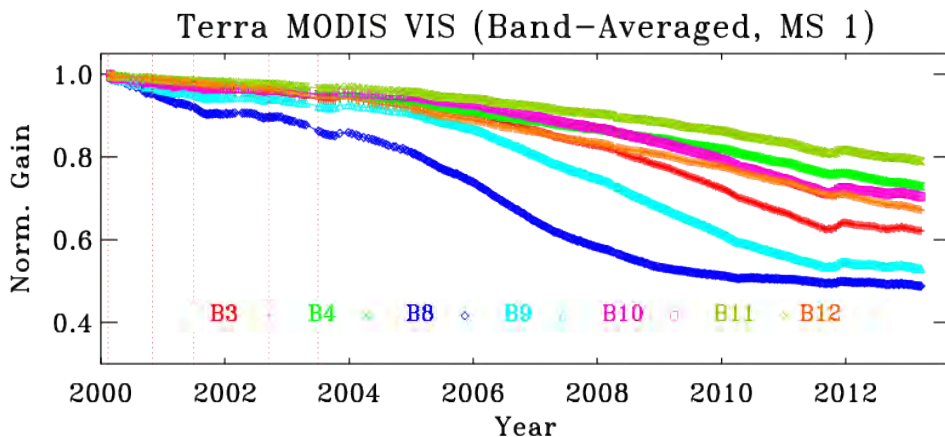


Aqua Normalized SD degradation





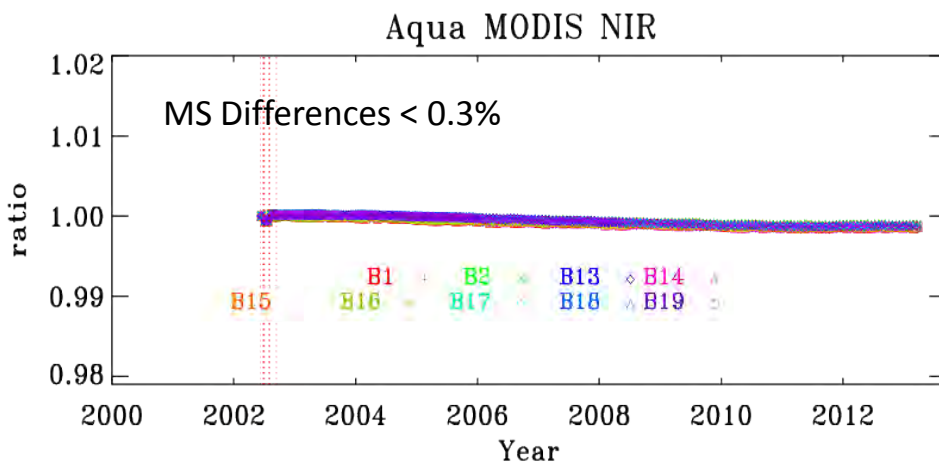
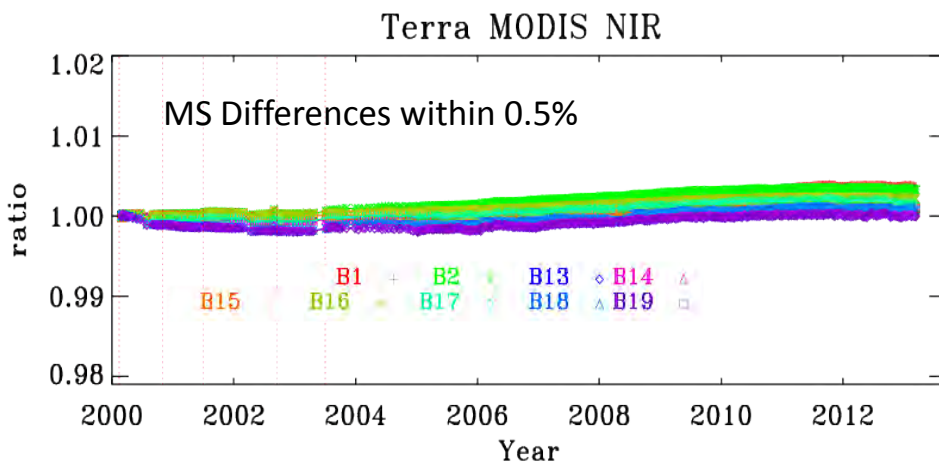
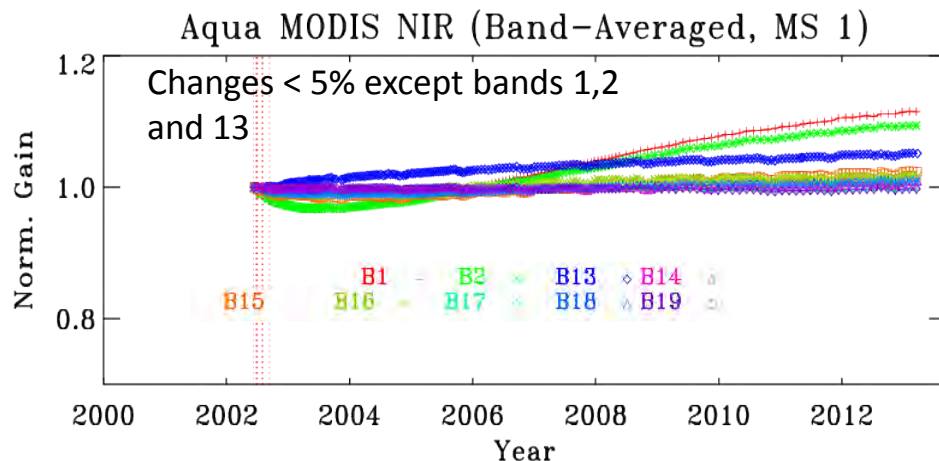
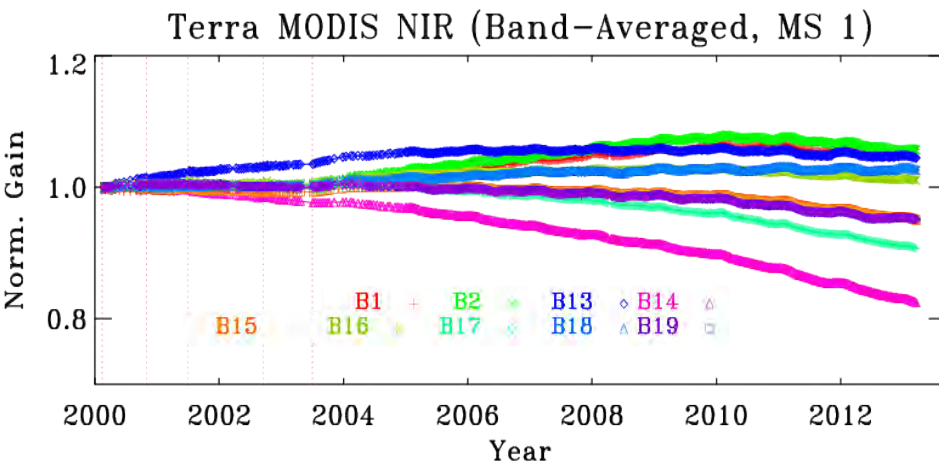
MODIS RSB SD Gain Trending



VIS channels for both instruments exhibit large gain change,
50% for band 8 (Terra) and 30% for band 8 (Aqua)



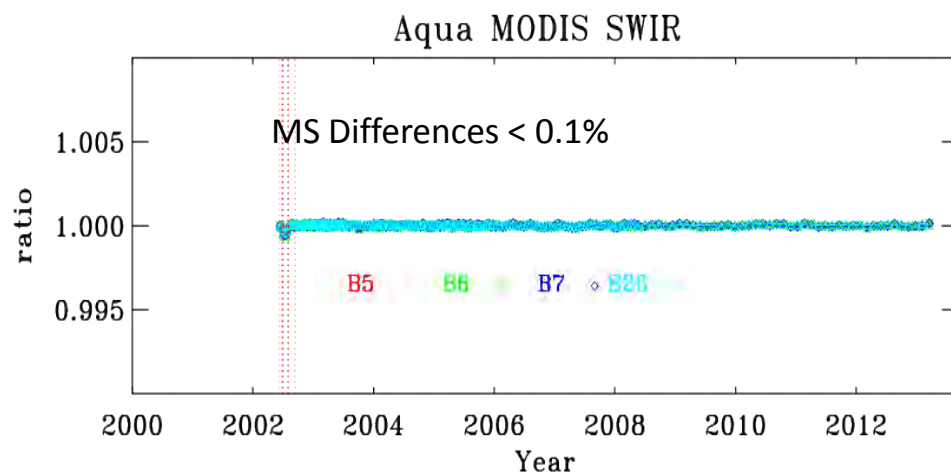
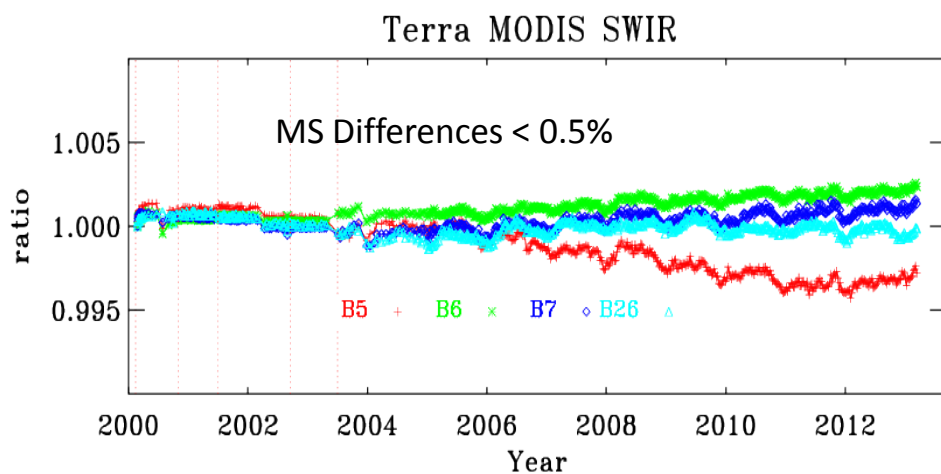
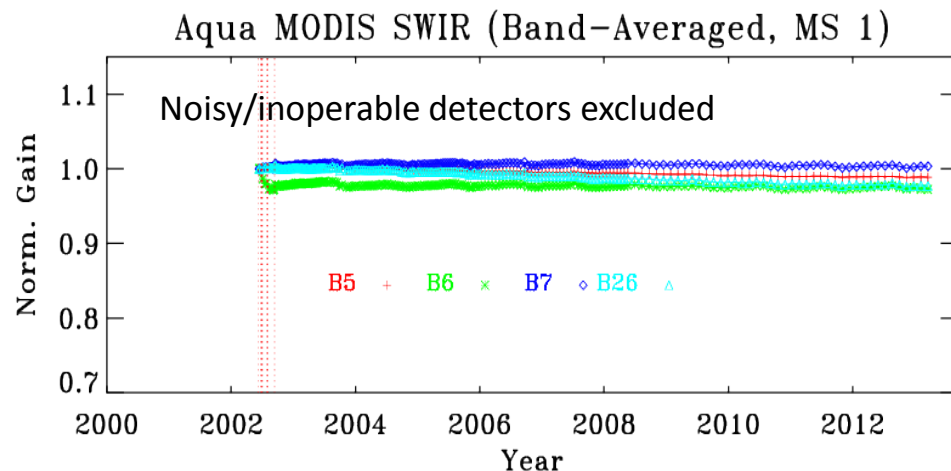
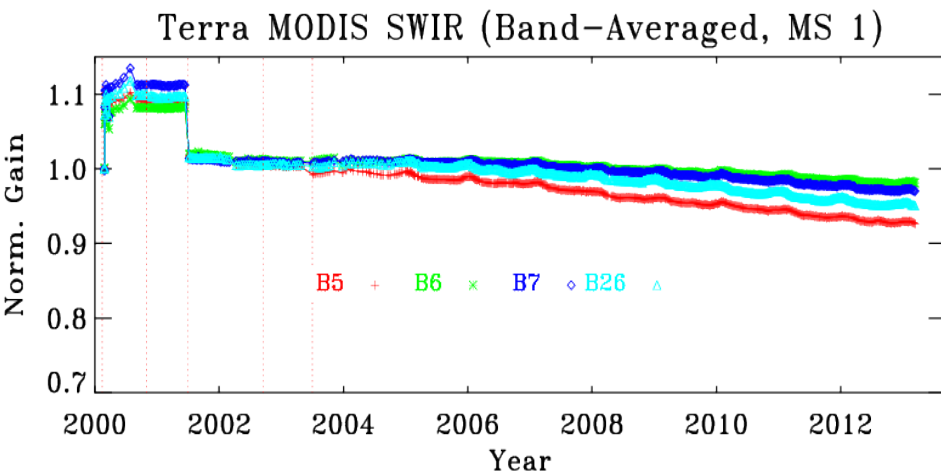
MODIS RSB SD Gain Trending



Terra MODIS NIR gain change within 10% (except select ocean bands)
Corresponding Aqua MODIS NIR bands exhibit lesser change



MODIS RSB SD Gain Trending

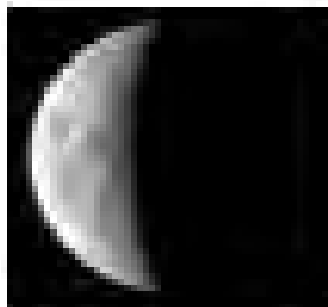
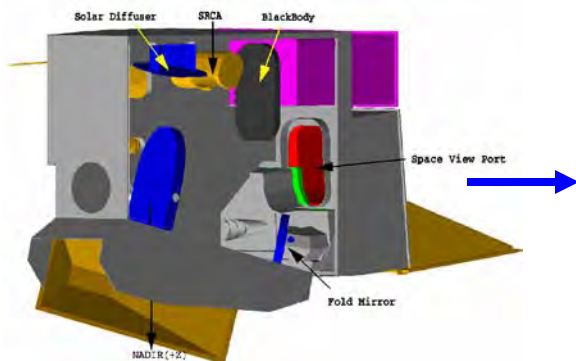


Gain change for Terra SWIR bands < 10% and Aqua SWIR bands < 2%

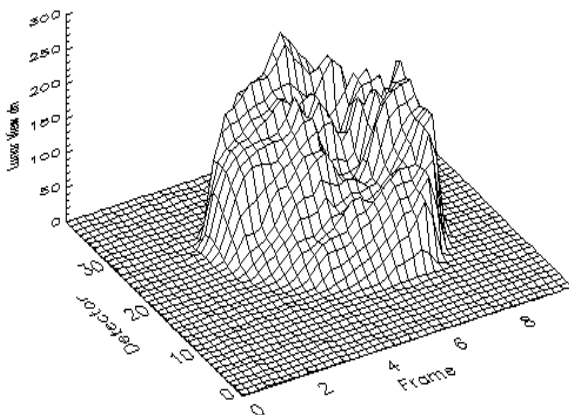
RSB Lunar Calibration

MODIS

Moon



MODIS Response



Lunar calibration coefficients

Bands 1-4, 8-12 and 17-19

$$m_1^{moon} = \frac{f_{vg}}{\langle dn_{Moon}^* \rangle}$$

Bands 13-16 (Saturated)

$$m_1^{moon} = m_{1,B18}^{moon} \cdot \frac{\langle dn_{Moon,B18}^* \rangle}{\langle dn_{Moon}^* \rangle}$$

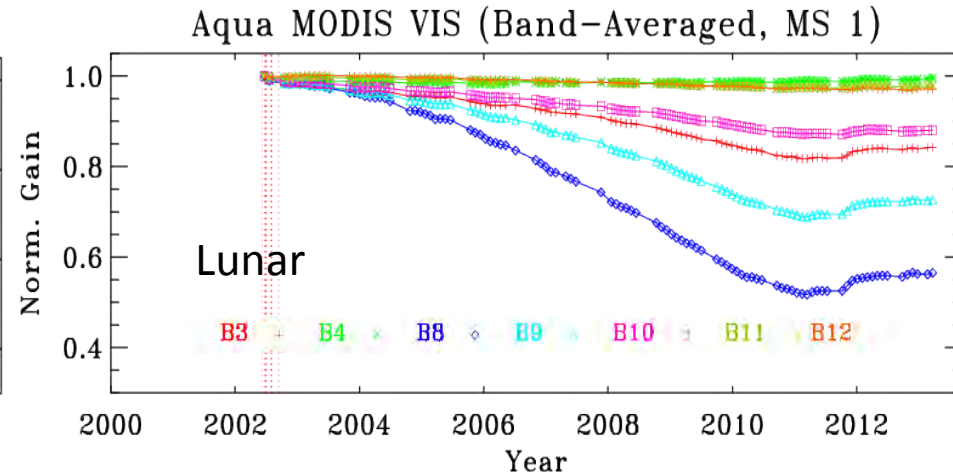
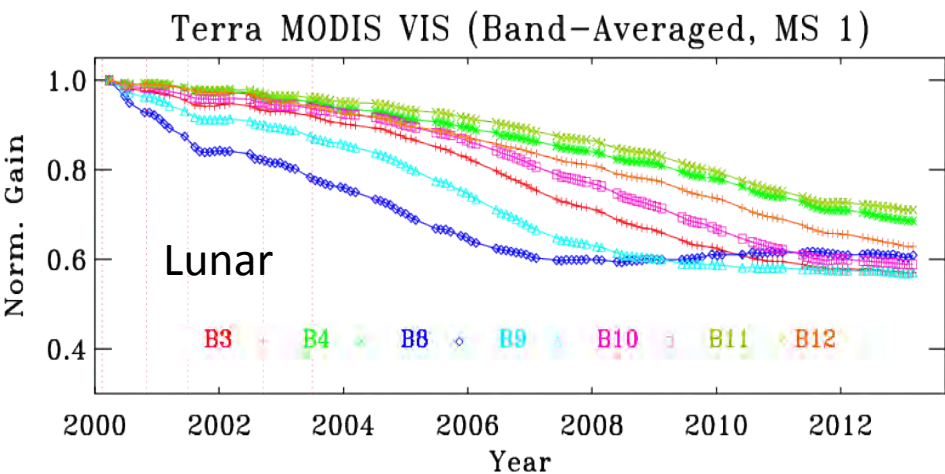
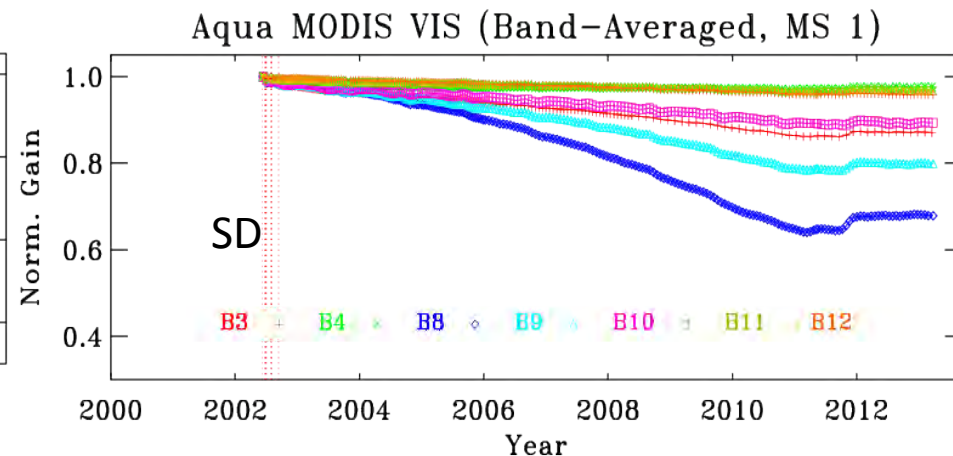
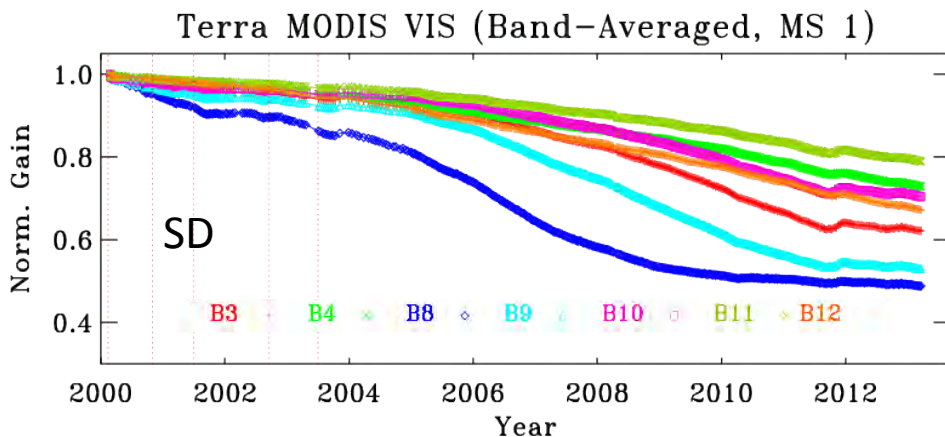
View geometry correction

$$f_{vg} = \frac{f_{phase-angle} \cdot f_{libration}}{d_{Sun-Moon}^2 \cdot d_{Moon-MODIS}^2}$$

Oversampling effect also needs to be corrected if multiple scans are used



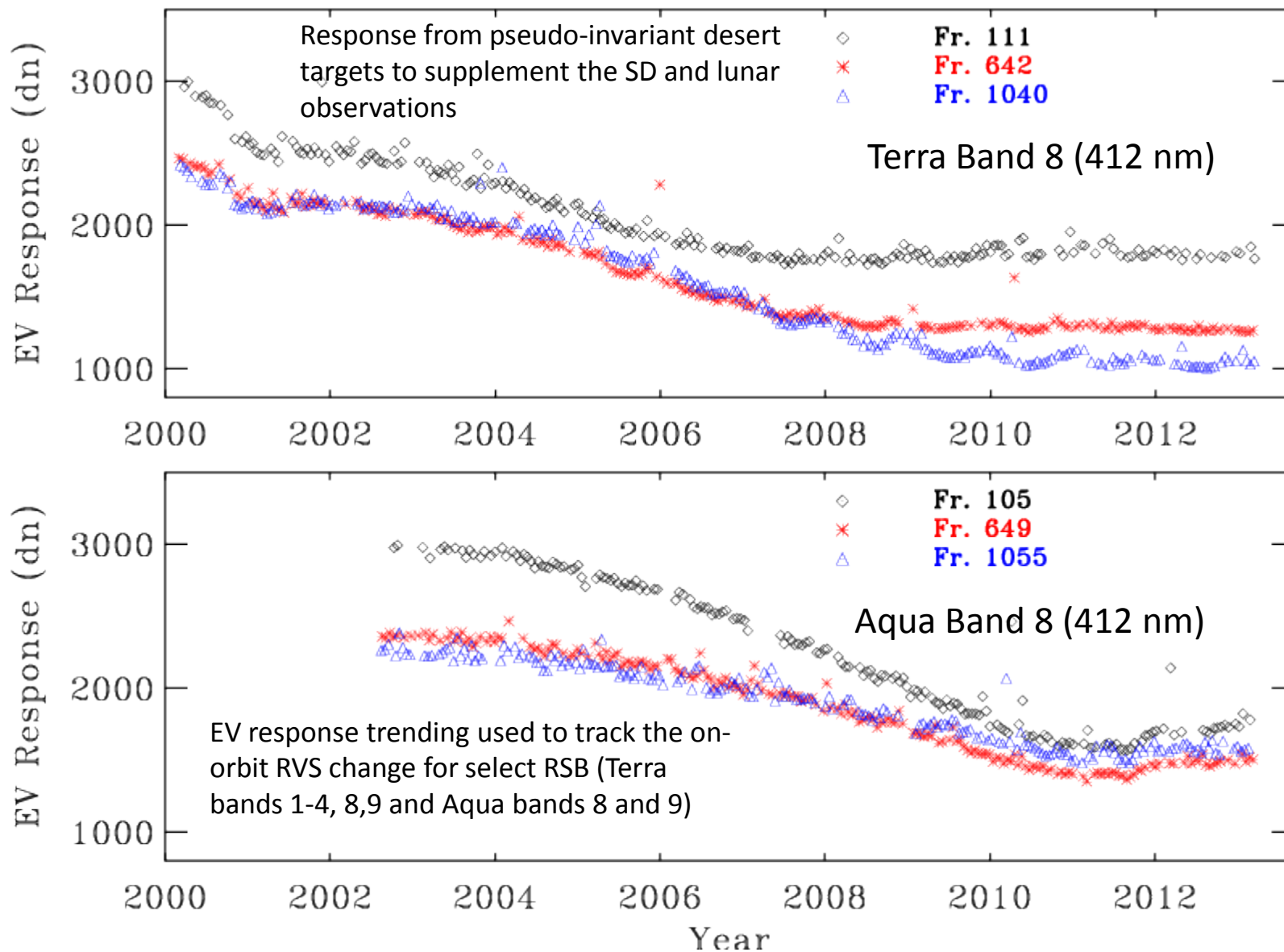
MODIS RSB SD & Lunar Gain Trending



SD & Lunar measurements used to derive the on-orbit RVS change

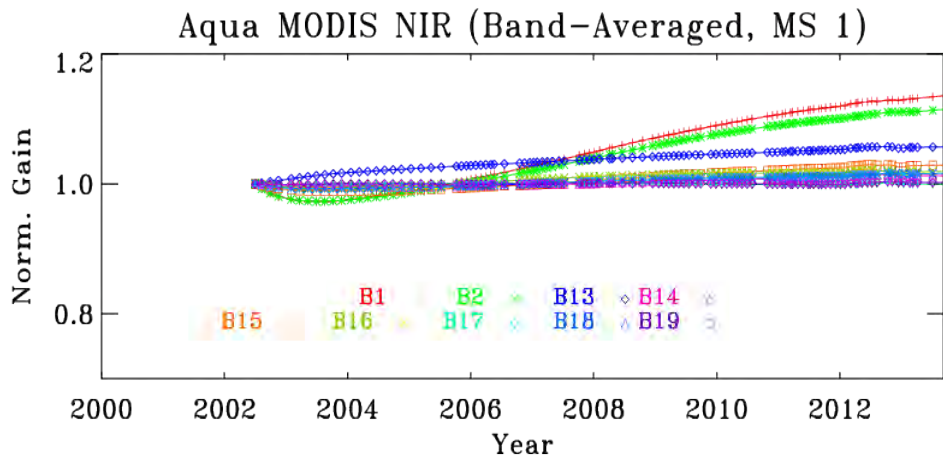
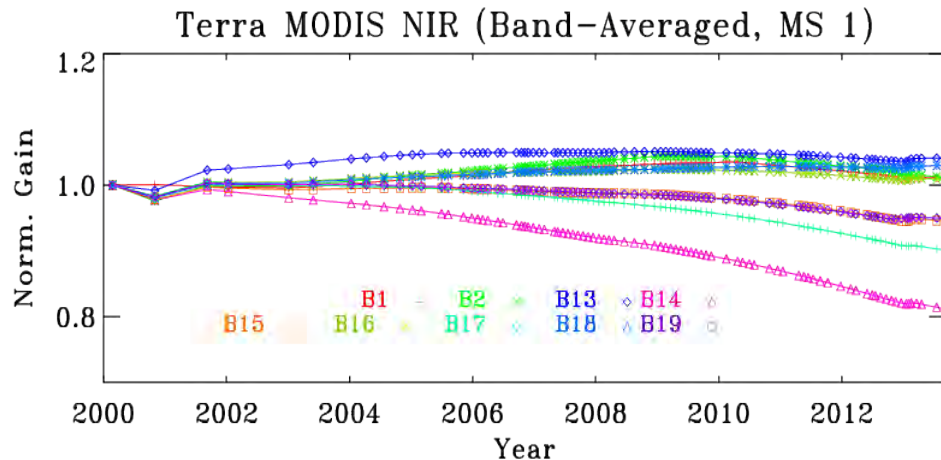
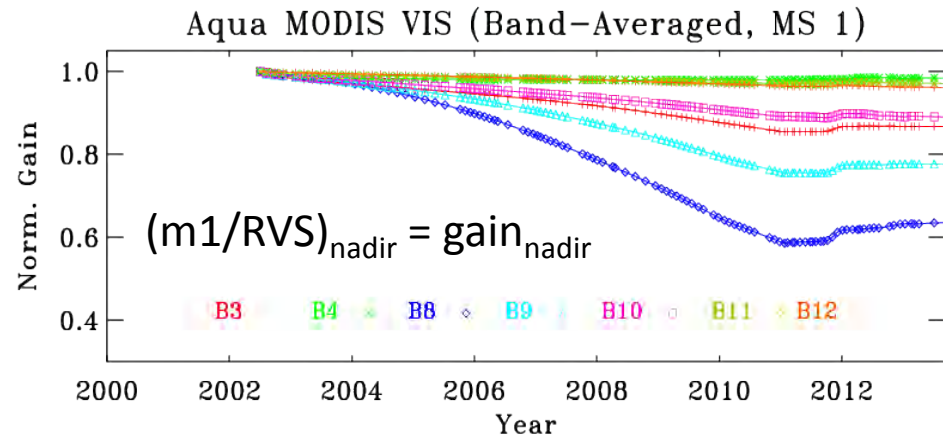
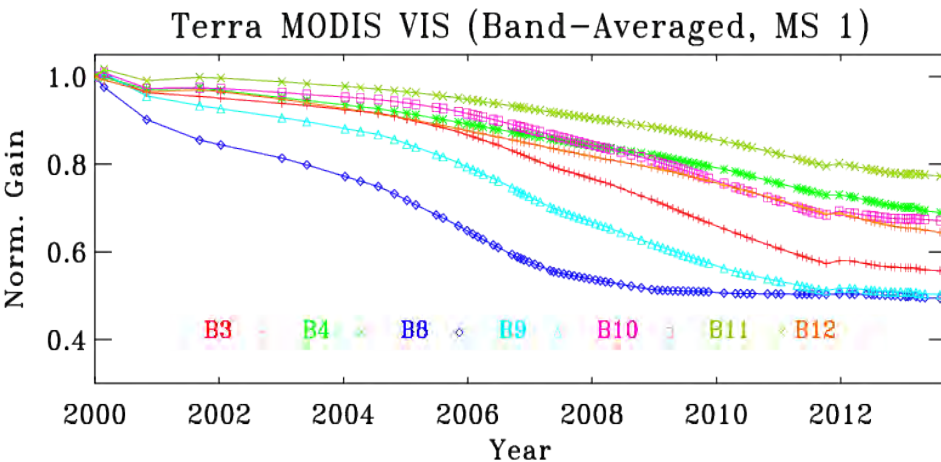


MODIS RSB EV Response Trending





RSB Gain Trending at Nadir



Gain for most RSB derived using on-board measurements from SD & Moon

For select RSB (Terra bands 1-4,8,9 and Aqua bands 8 and 9) gain is derived using on-board calibrators supplemented with EV measurements

Nadir AOI: 38.25°



Collection 6 RSB Changes



- RSB calibration coefficients (m_1) and RVS are derived at the same time using observations to the SD, Moon, and “pseudo-invariant” targets at different AOIs
 - Mainly applied to VIS bands (Aqua bands 8 and 9 and Terra bands 1-4, 8, and 9)
- Time dependent RVS applied to bands 13-16
 - Approach developed to monitor bands 13-16 lunar calibration stability (some pixels saturate when viewing the Moon)
- Detector-dependent RVS
 - Mainly applied to VIS bands (Aqua bands 8-12, Terra bands 3,8-12)
- Improved Algorithms for uncertainty calculation
 - Improved characterization for scene, time and AOI dependence



Summary - I



- Terra MODIS (13+ years)
 - No new noisy/inoperable detectors since last STM
 - SD/SDSM, and lunar observations used to track the RSB on-orbit gain change. Additional information from EV response from desert sites used for select RSB (Bands 1-4, 8 and 9)
 - Shorter wavelength VIS bands show larger degradation (strong wavelength, mirror side and scan-angle dependence), gain change of 50% and mirror side differences up to 10% seen in band 8 (412 nm) at the AOI of SD (50.25 °)
 - NIR bands gain change generally within 10% (exception few ocean bands)
 - SWIR bands gain change within 10% and MS difference within 0.5%
 - Challenges: RVS change for other VIS/NIR bands, Polarization, Aging instruments, EV response



Summary - II



- Aqua MODIS (~11 years)
 - No new noisy/inoperable detectors since last STM
 - SD/SDSM, and lunar observations used to track the RSB on-orbit gain change. Additional information from EV response from desert sites used for select RSB (Bands 8 and 9)
 - Shorter wavelength VIS bands show larger degradation (strong wavelength, mirror side and scan-angle dependence), gain change of 35% and mirror side differences up to 5% seen in band 8 (412 nm) at the AOI of SD (50.25 °)
 - NIR bands gain change generally within 5% (except bands 1,2 and 13)
 - SWIR bands gain change within 2% and MS difference within 0.1%
 - Challenges: RVS change for other VIS/NIR bands, Polarization, aging instruments, EV response



MODIS Calibration Special Topics

MODIS Characterization Support Team (MCST)





Outline



- Terra band 27 crosstalk effect and removal
- Terra band 10 RVS using EV response trending
- “Sticky bin” effect to Terra RSB m1 and its correction
- Polarization effect on MODIS RSB
- Other issues



Terra MODIS Crosstalk

Timeline



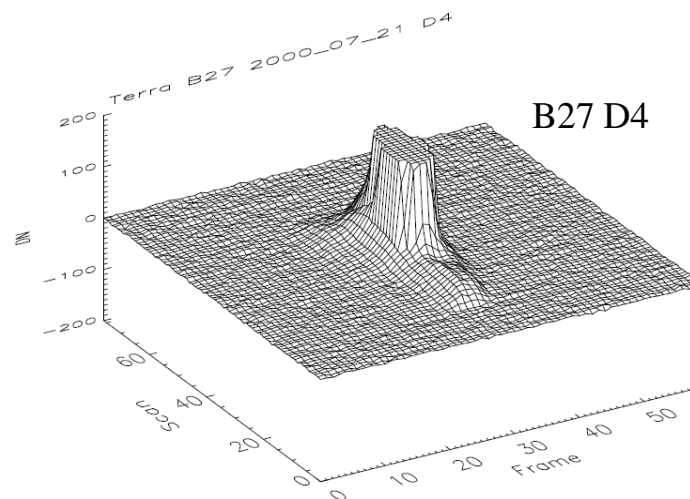
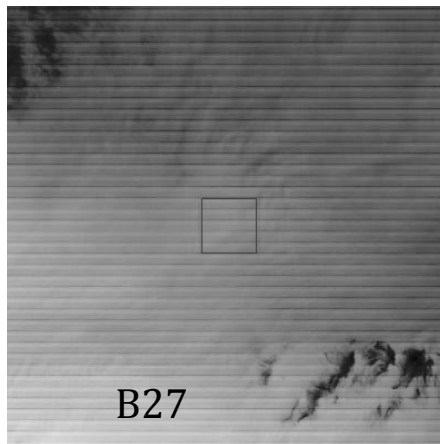
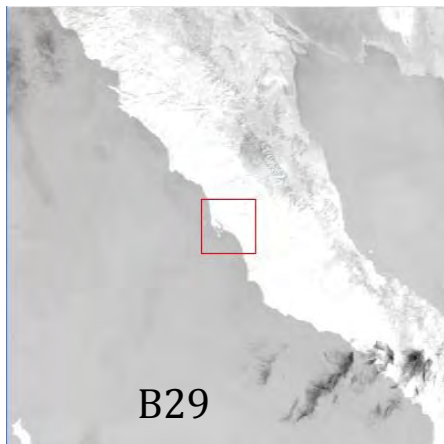
- Terra MODIS SWIR bands (5-7 and 26) crosstalk
 - Identified during prelaunch characterization and also evident in on-orbit observations
 - Developed algorithms to characterize and mitigate the impact
 - Challenging due to the complex nature of the electronic crosstalk characteristic
- Terra MODIS band 2 Crosstalk
 - Predominantly observed during the second half of the Terra mission
 - Developed a linear algorithm to correct the impact of the crosstalk (*J. Sun, X. Xiong, N. Che, and A. Angal, "Terra MODIS band 2 electronic crosstalk: cause, impact, and mitigation", Proc. SPIE 7826, 78261Y, 2010.*)
- Terra band 27 crosstalk
 - MCST received user inquiries regarding possible problems with band 27, which were then discussed at MsWG
 - EV images (Baja Peninsula) show evidence of a change in performance over time – in terms of signal leak and striping
 - Crosstalk effect confirmed by Lunar observations
 - From bands 28-30
 - Crosstalk coefficients characterized from lunar observations
 - Applications of the crosstalk algorithm to both BB calibration and EV imagery
 - *J. Sun, X. Xiong, S. Madhavan, B. Wenny, "Terra MODIS Band 27 Electronic Crosstalk Effect and Its Removal", IEEE geosciences and remote sensing, in press.*



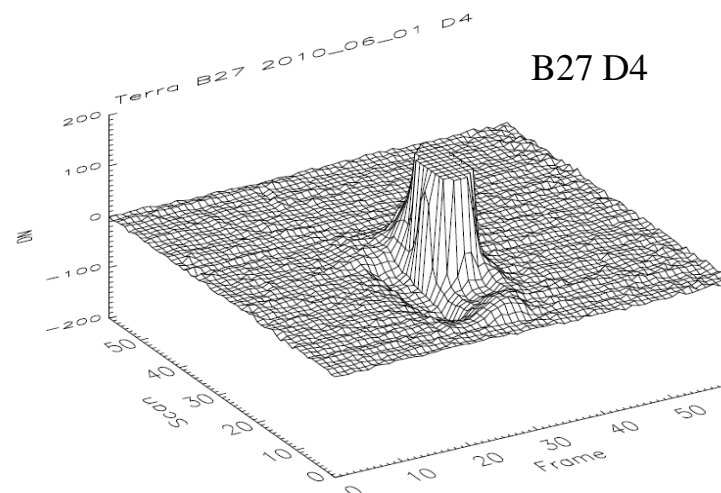
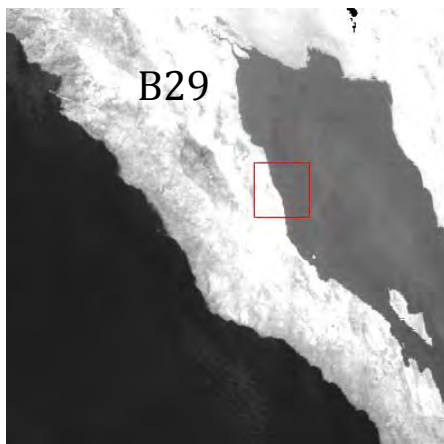
EV Temperatures and Lunar Images



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Brightness Temperature (B.T.) L1B images for Baja Peninsula (no stretching applied)



Crosstalk Correction Algorithm

- Linear Algorithm

$$dn_{B27}^{xtalk}(D, F) = \sum_{i,j} c_{ij}(D) dn_{B_i}(D_j, F + \Delta F_i)$$

$$dn_{B27}^{corrected}(D, F) = dn_{B27}(D, F) - dn_{B27}^{xtalk}(D, F)$$

$$dn_{B27}^{xtalk}(D, F) = \sum_i C_i(D) \left\langle dn_{B_i}(D_j, F + \Delta F_i) \right\rangle_{D_j}$$

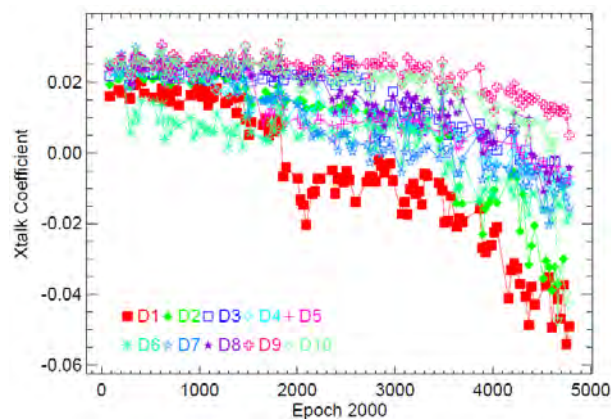
- D, F: detector, frame
- B_i, D_j : i th sender band, j th detector
- ΔF_i : distance between band 27 and the i th sending band on the LWIR focal plane
- c_{ij} : coefficient for the xtalk from B_i, D_i to B27, D
- C_i : detector averaged coefficient for the xtalk from B_i to B
- Derive the xtalk coefficients from lunar observations
- Apply them in both Black Body calibration coefficients (b_1) calculation and L1B



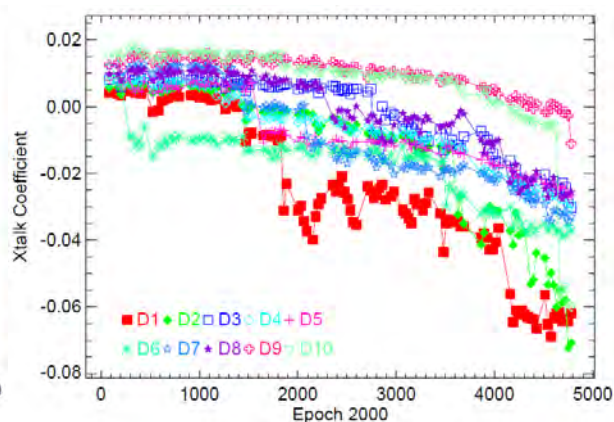
B27 Crosstalk Coefficients



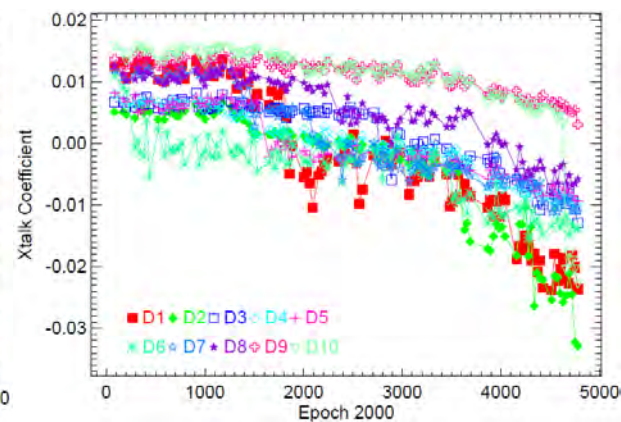
Sending band: B28



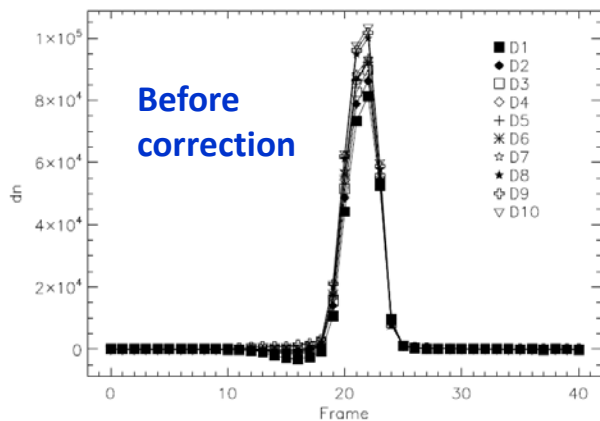
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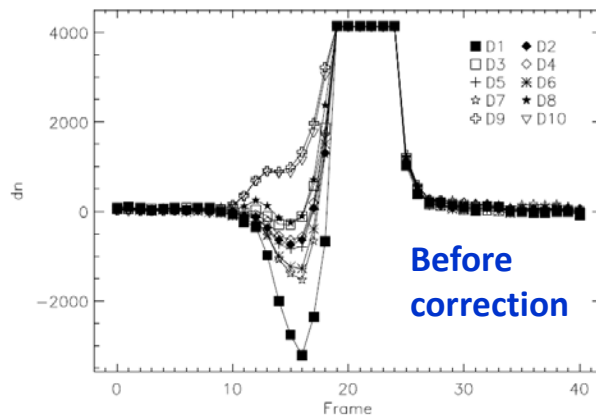
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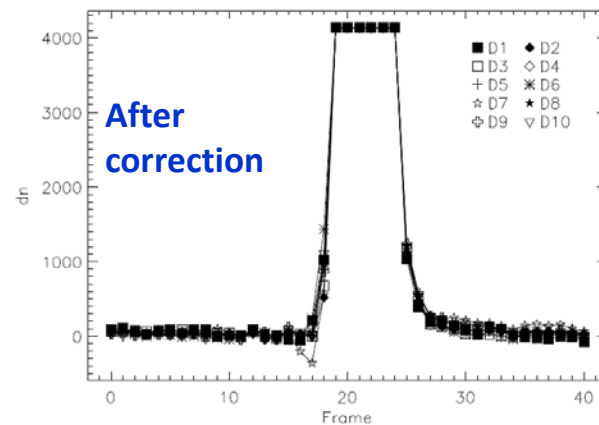
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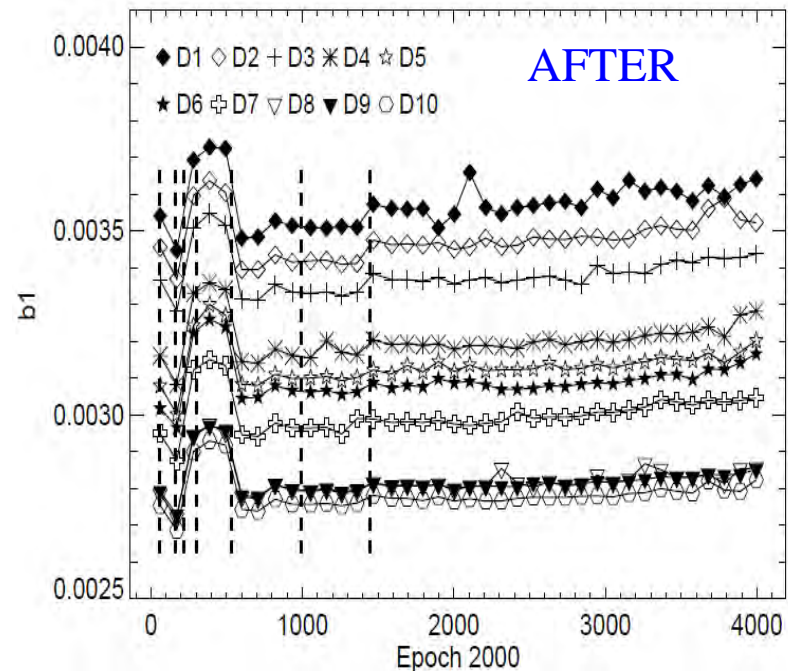
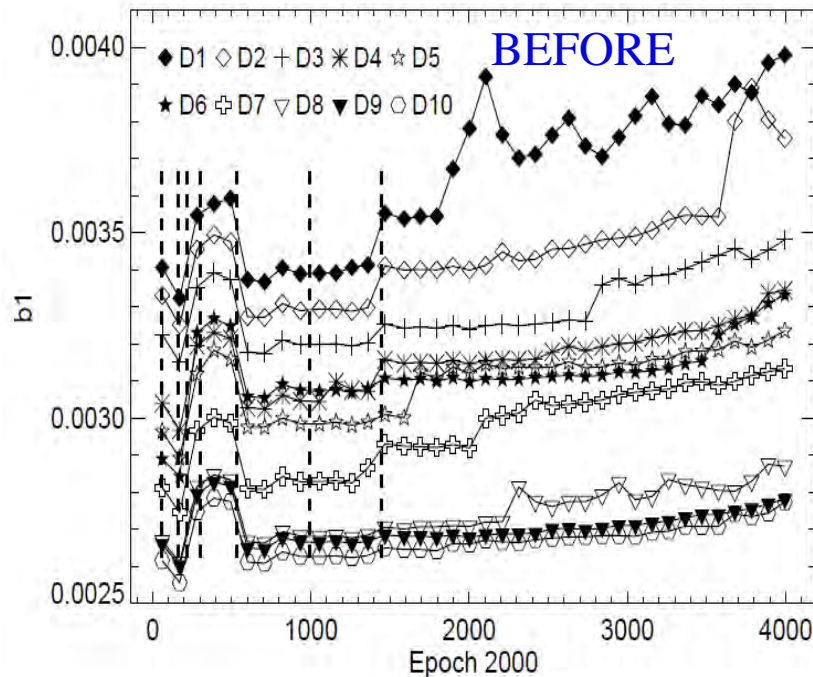


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Crosstalk Removal

Terra MODIS Band 27 b₁ Trending (Product order; T_{BB}@290K)

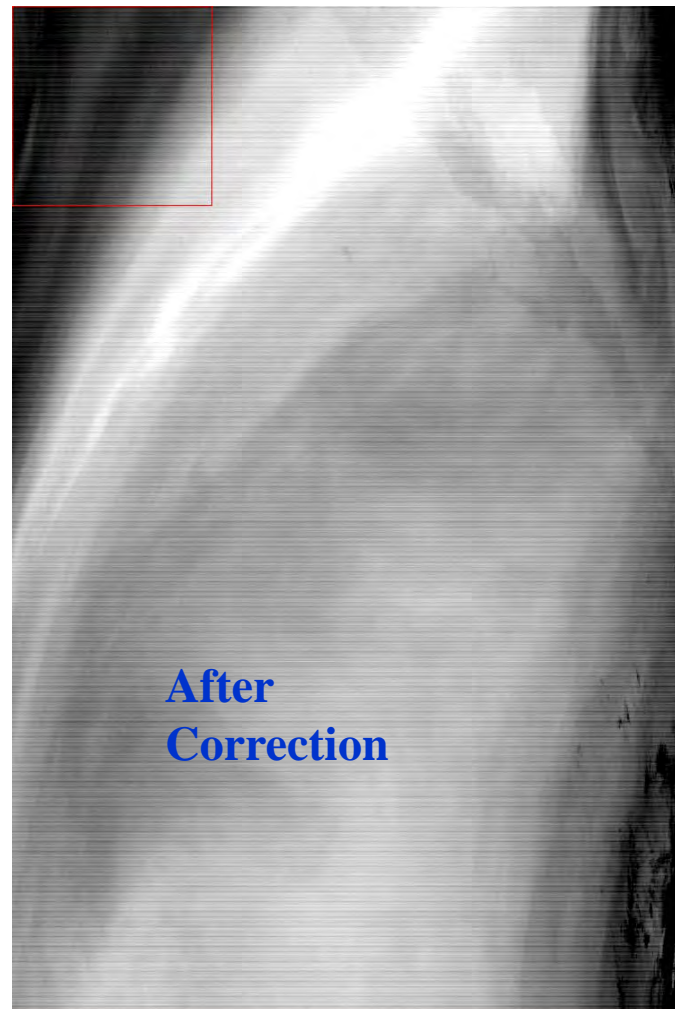
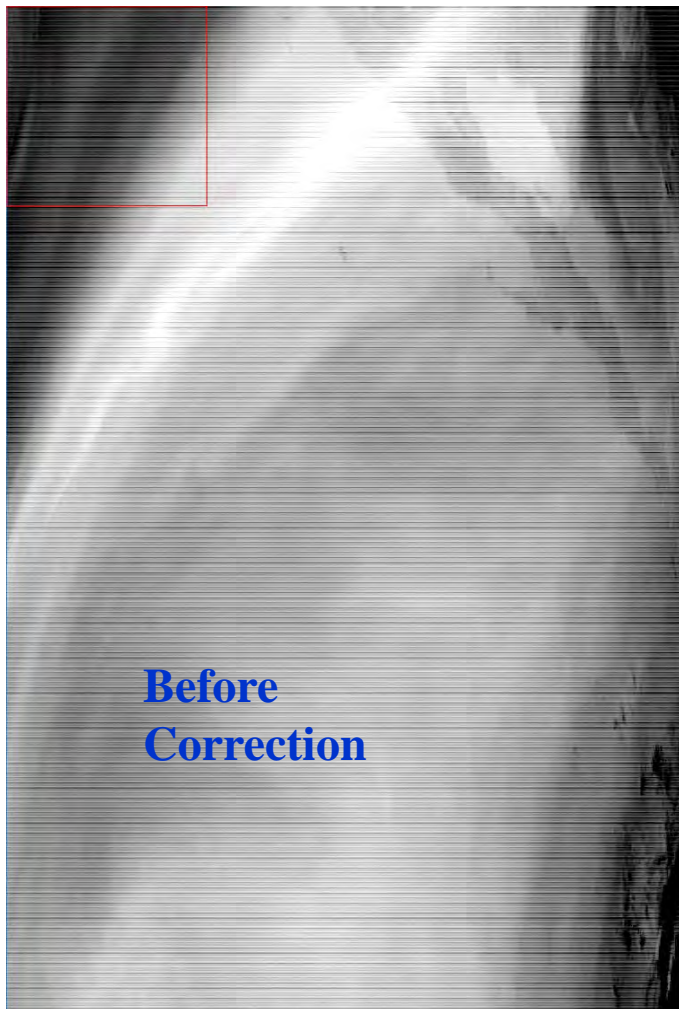


- Vertical dashed lines correspond instrument events
- b_1 relates to the linear coefficient of the TEB Calibration equation
- Detector response equalized after crosstalk correction



Crosstalk Removal

Terra Band 27 EV Temperatures
2010174.1840



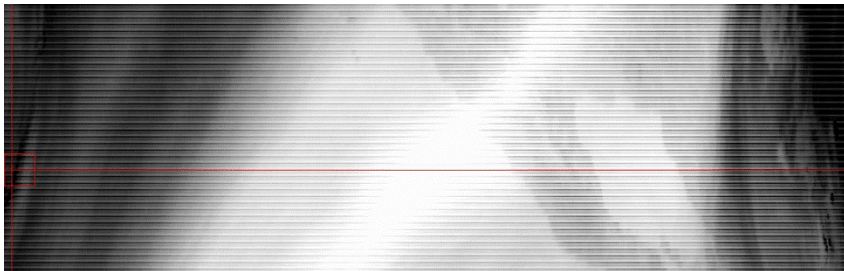


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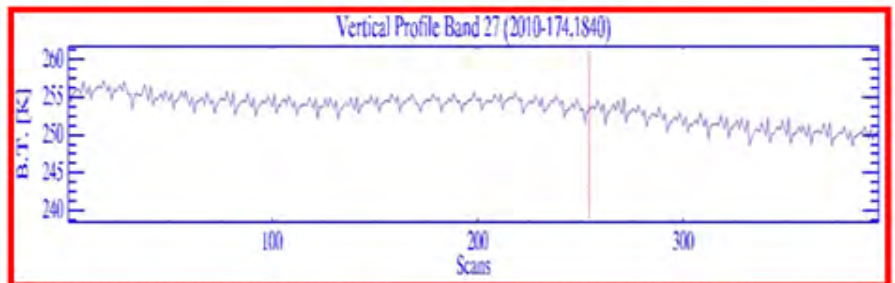
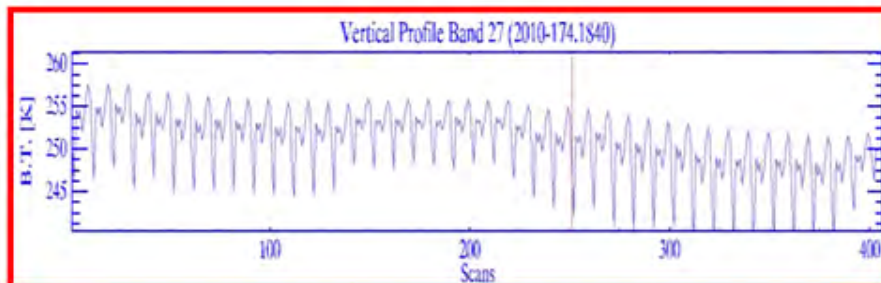
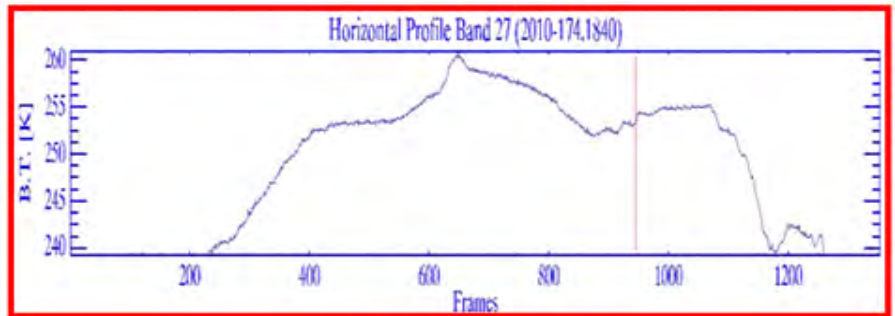
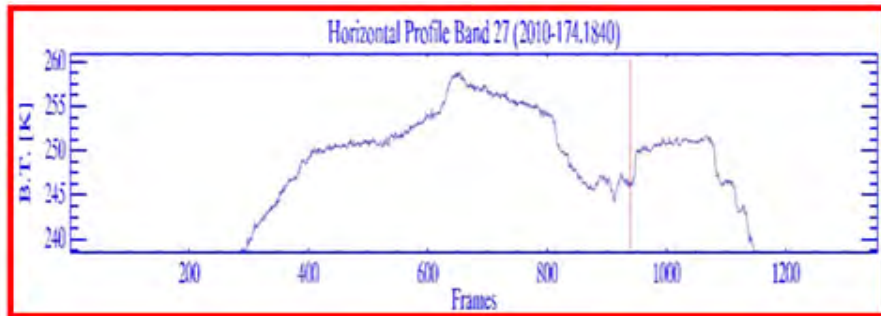
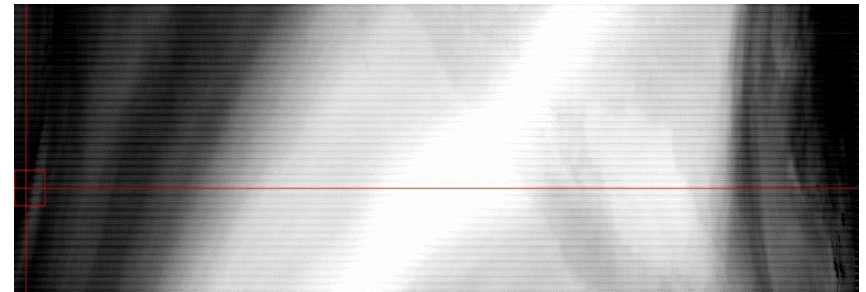


Terra Band 27 EV Temperatures on zoomed area from Image shown previously *2010174.1840*

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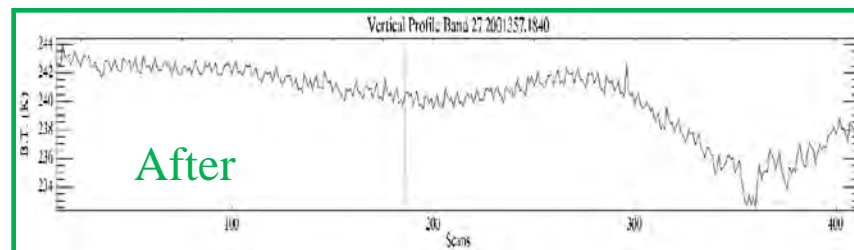
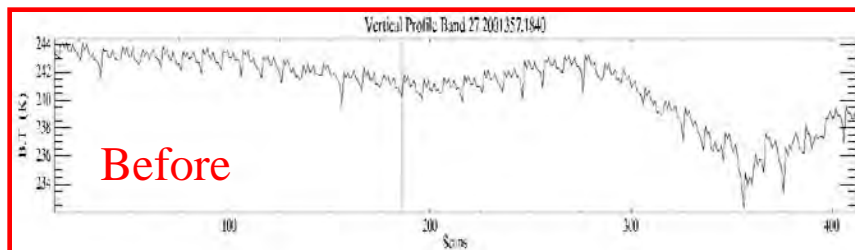
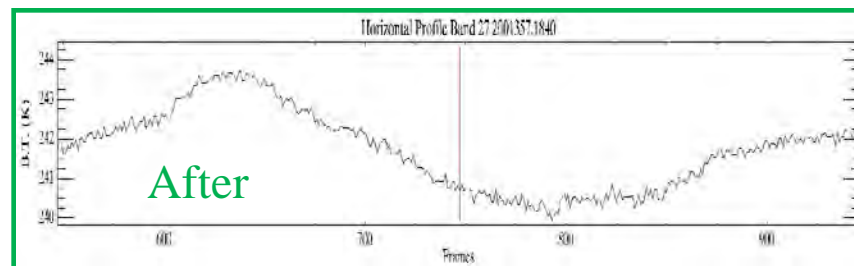
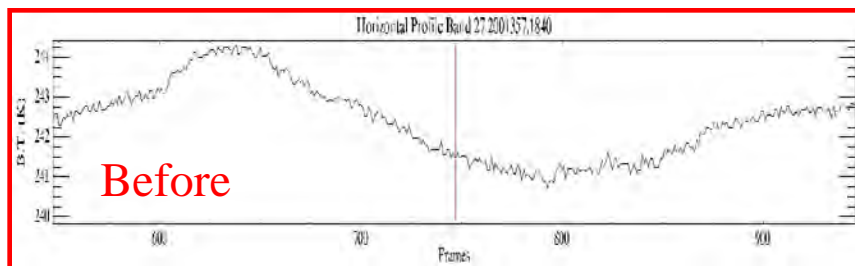
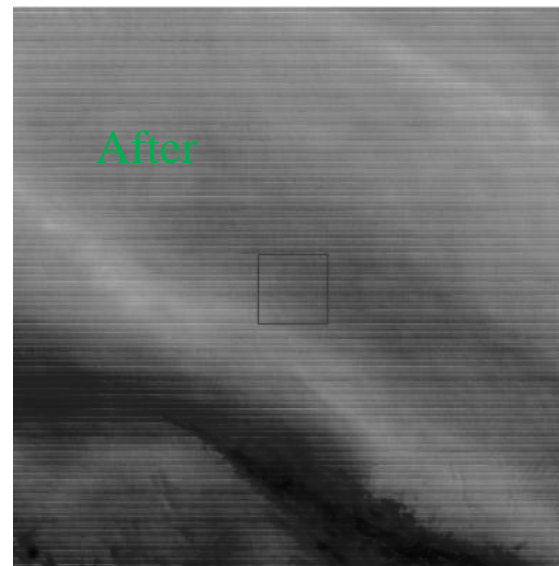
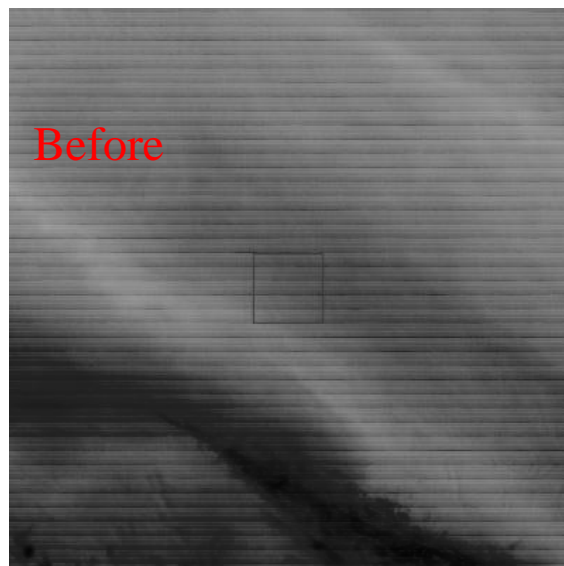
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Crosstalk Removal

Terra Band 27 EV Temperatures, 2001357.1840 (BAJA)



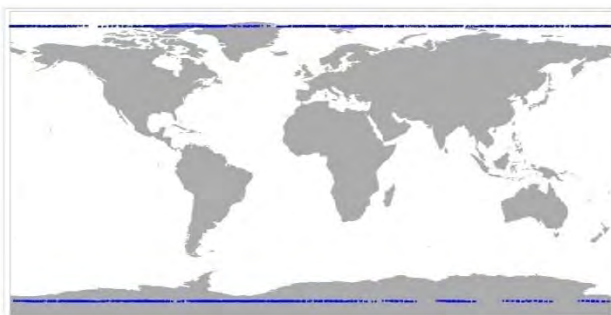


MODIS B27 and IASI SNO Comparison

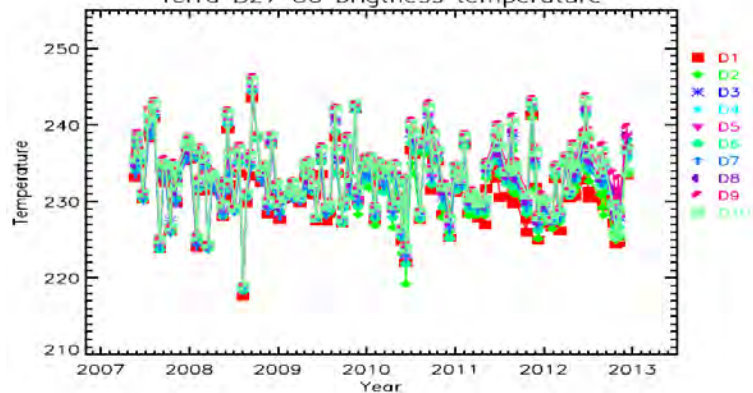


IASI was launched in 10/19/2006, which has a sun-synchronous polar orbit at an altitude of 819 km and an IFOV of a ground resolution of 12 km at nadir.

IASI-Terra SNO distribution

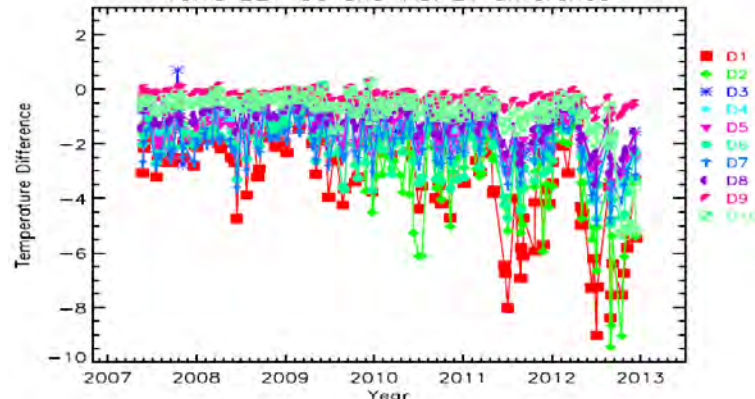


Terra B27 C6 brightness temperature



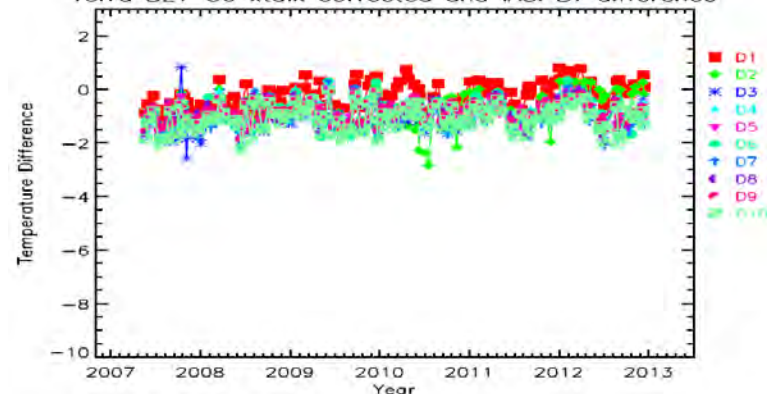
MODIS B27 T_{typ} is 240 K

Terra B27 C6 and IASI BT difference



Differences are detector dependent, increase with time, and can be as large as 10 K

Terra B27 C6 xtalk corrected and IASI BT difference



- Terra B27 detector differences are greatly reduced
- The band averaged BT differences between Terra B27 and IASI are much smaller with no observable long-term drift



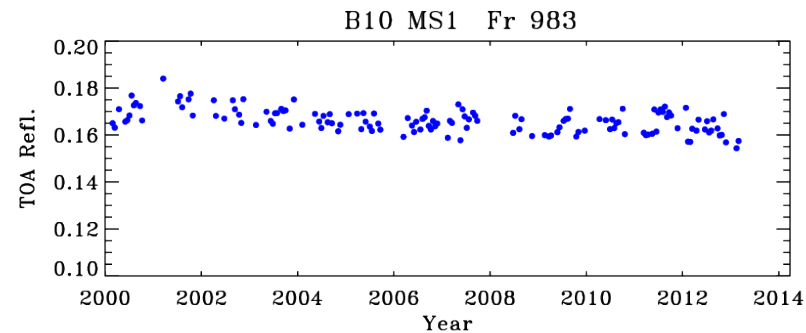
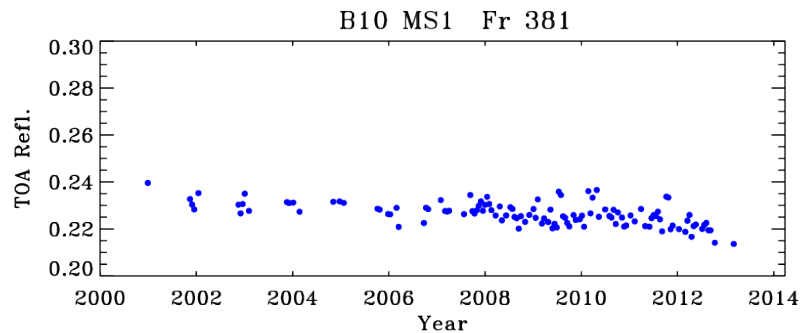
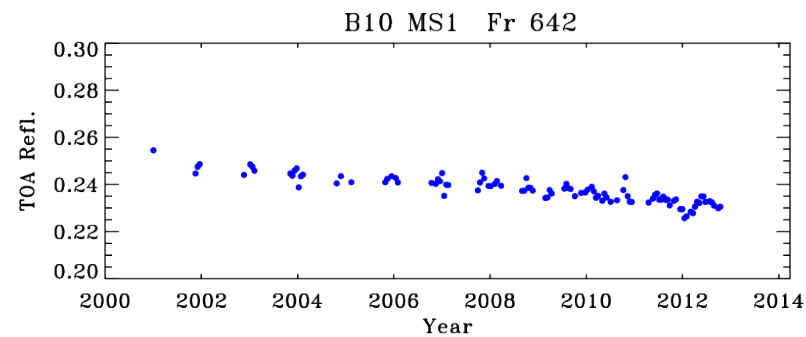
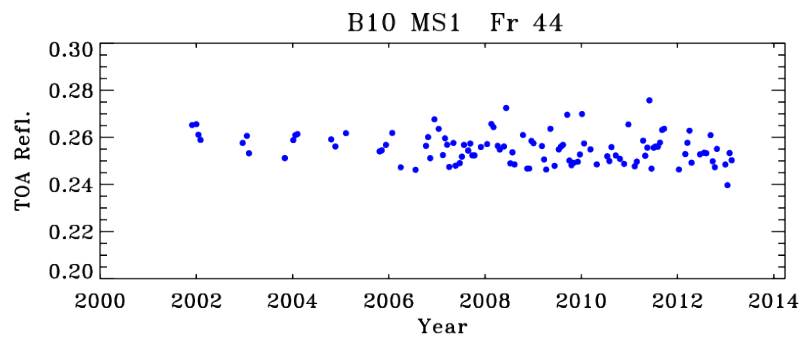
C6 RSB m1 and RVS LUT



- No time-dependent RVS applied for SWIR bands
- For Terra bands 10-19 and Aqua bands 1-4 and 10-19
 - m1 and RVS are generated from SD and lunar calibration as well as mirror side ratios of Earth ocean sites observations
- For Terra bands 1-4 and 8-9 and Aqua bands 8-9
 - m1 and RVS are generated at same time from SD, lunar, and Earth ocean and desert sites observations
- Constant monitoring of the EV response trending of other RSB
- Next on line to use to on-board calibrators as well as EV response trending to generate LUTs
 - Aqua: Band 3, band 10, etc
 - No noticeable long-term drift seen in EV reflectance
 - Terra: Band 10, band 11, etc
 - Noticeable long-term drift seen in ocean products reported by OBPG, especially in last few years, for band 10



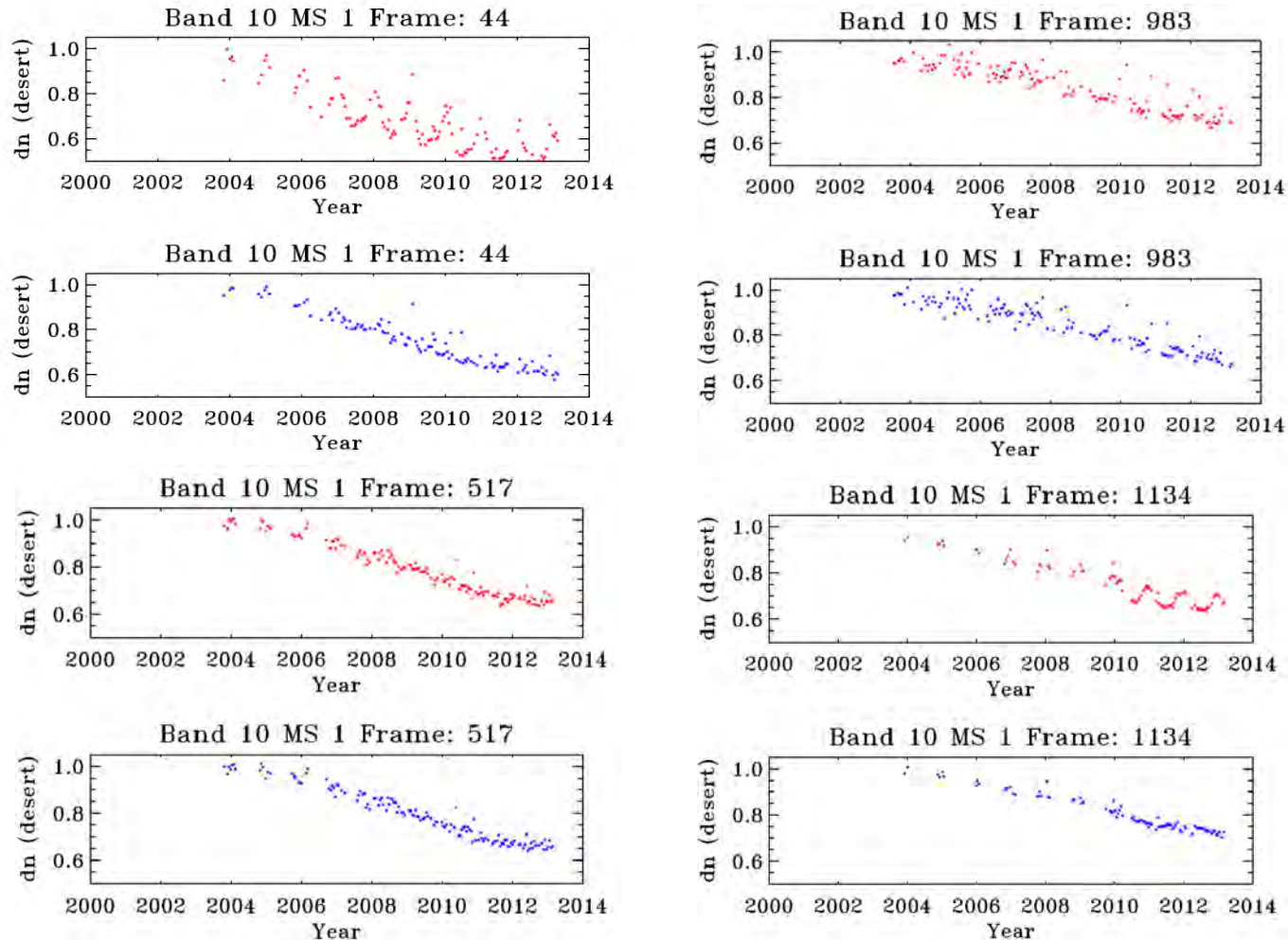
Terra Band 10 C6 EV Reflectance



- Terra band 10 reflectance over pseudo-invariant desert sites.
- The band was saturated most time early in the mission.
- The seasonal oscillations have been removed.



Terra Band 10 EV Response Trending



Red: Seasonal oscillations not removed; Blue: the oscillations removed.



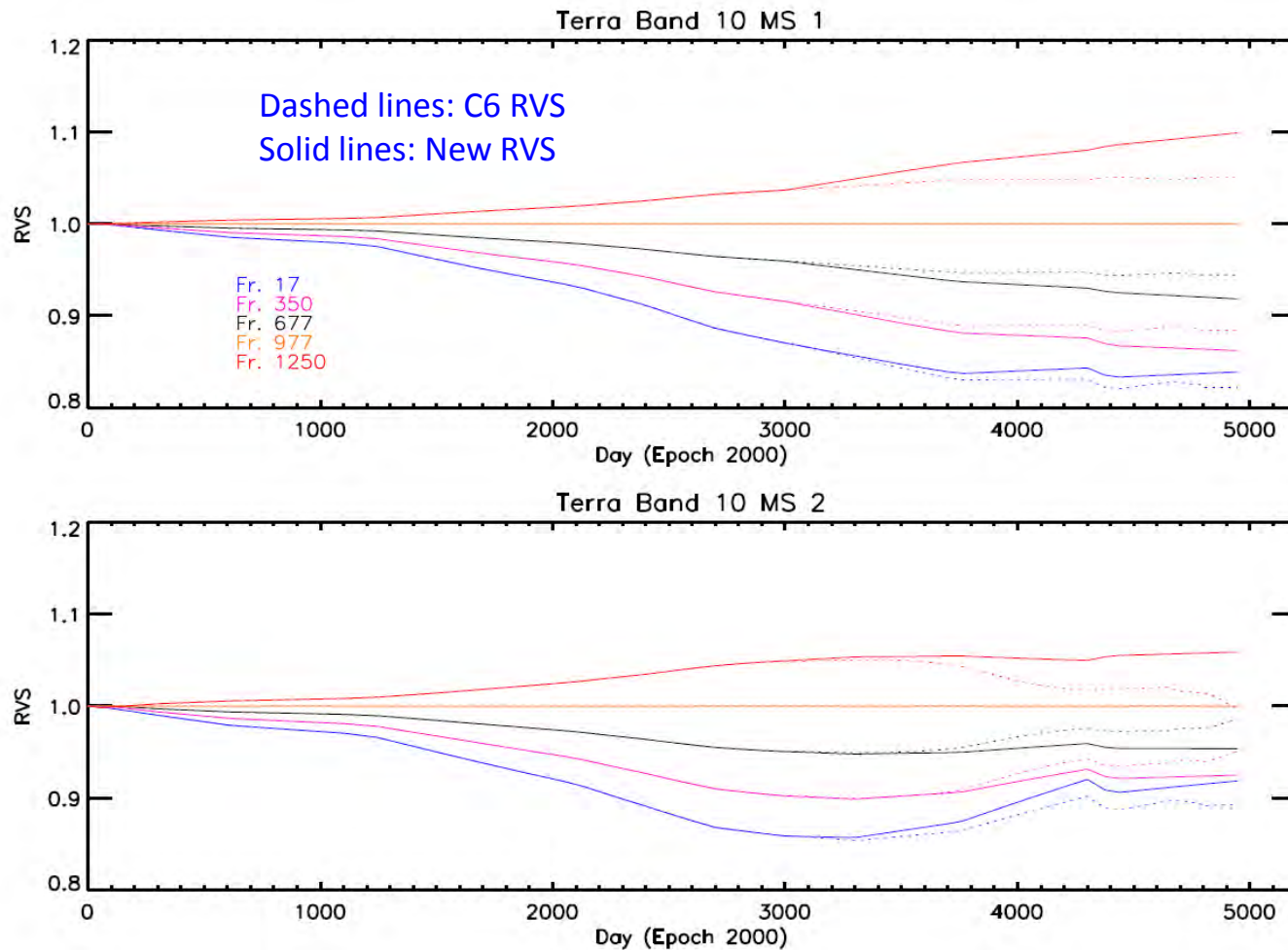
Terra Band 10 Proposed RVS Algorithm



- Lunar view response and Earth view responses at selected AOIs
 - Terra Frames: 17 (lunar), 44, 91, 111, 180, 269, 381, 439, 517, 642, 745, 890, 983, 1134
 - Desert sites: algeria-3, libya-1, libya-2, libya-4
 - For each AOI, the instrument response is fitted to a linear function and the function is normalized at day 3000 (March 18, 2008).
- m1 and RVS before day
 - Derived from SD and lunar observations as well as EV MS ratios, same as current C6 approach for Terra band 10
- m1 and RVS after day 3000
 - Derived from SD and lunar observations and EV response trending over pseudo-invariant desert sites, similar as current C6 approach applied to Terra bands 1-4 and 8-9 with following details
 - The starting time using this approach is day 3000
 - A quadratic polynomial is applied to describe the on-orbit RVS change



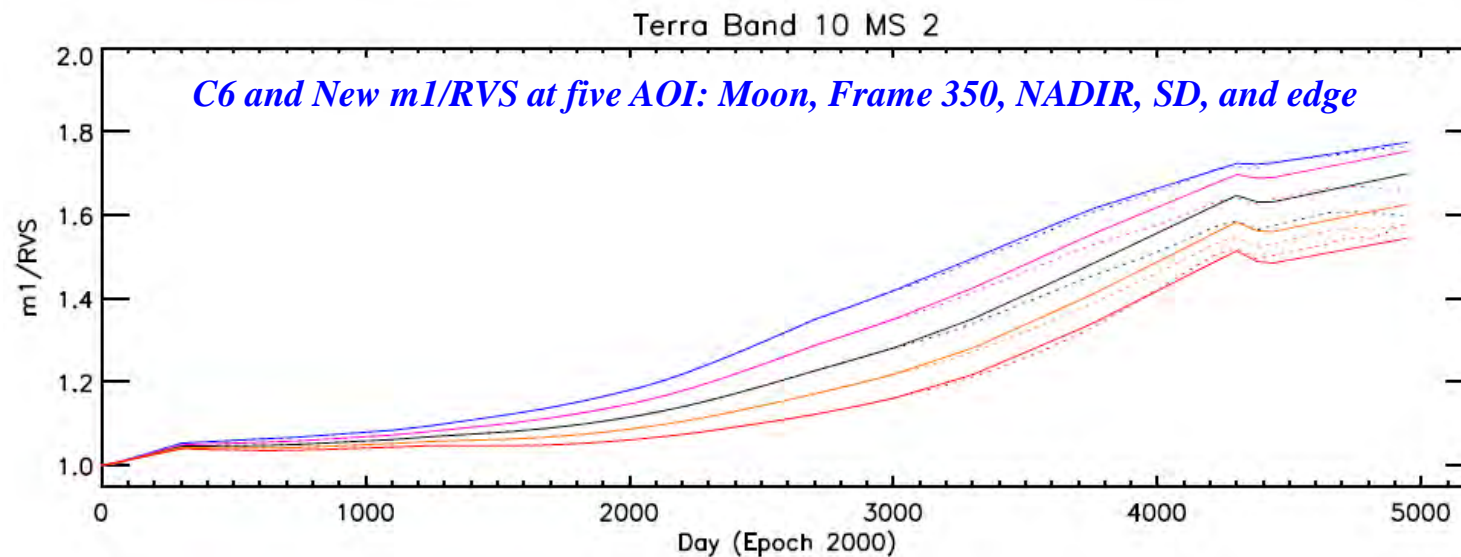
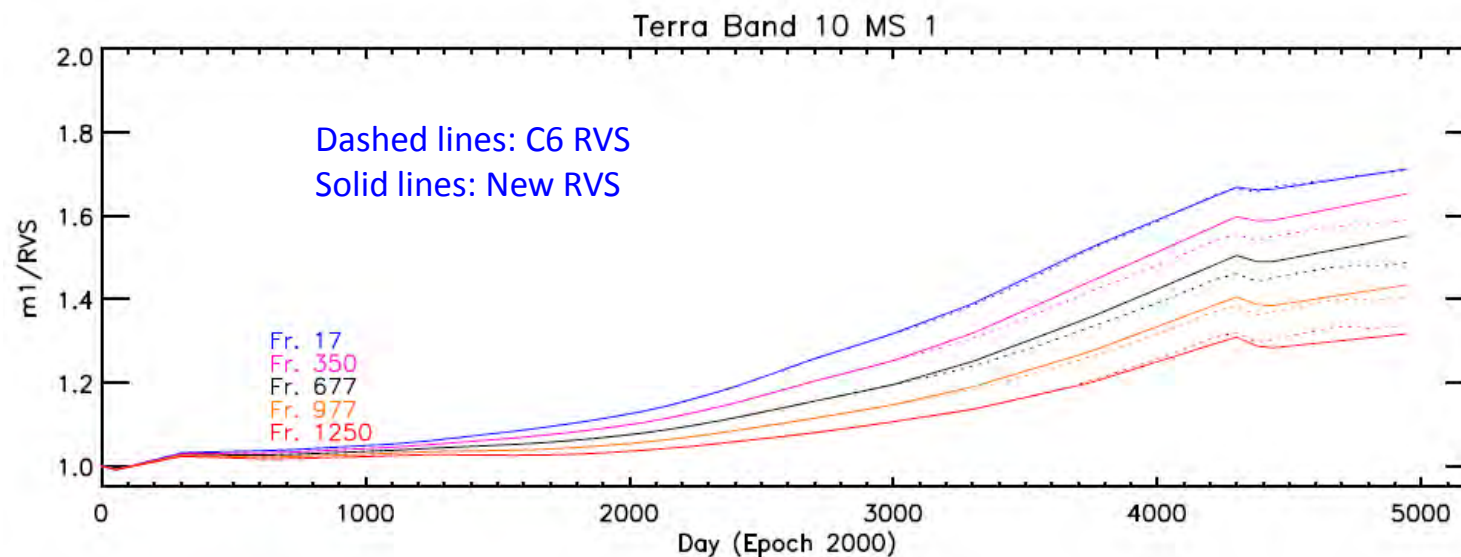
Terra Band 10 RVS



C6 and New RVS at five AOI: Moon, Frame 350, NADIR, SD, and edge



Terra Band 10 m1/RVS

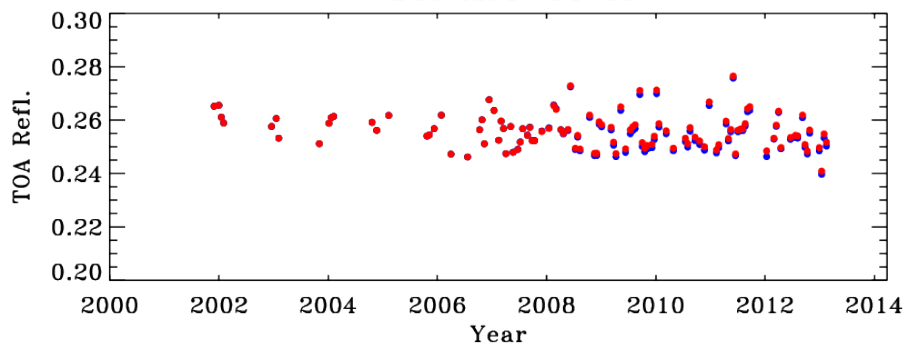




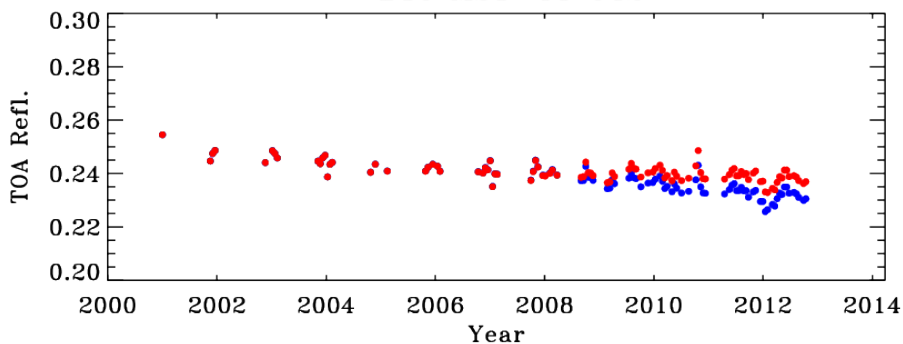
Terra Band 10 EV Reflectance



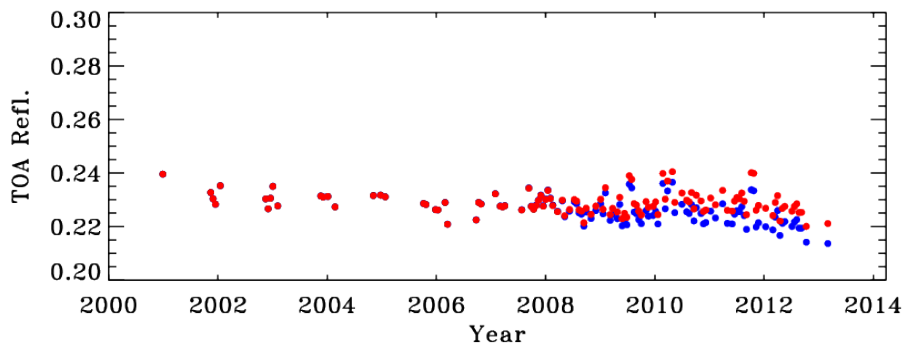
B10 MS1 Fr 44



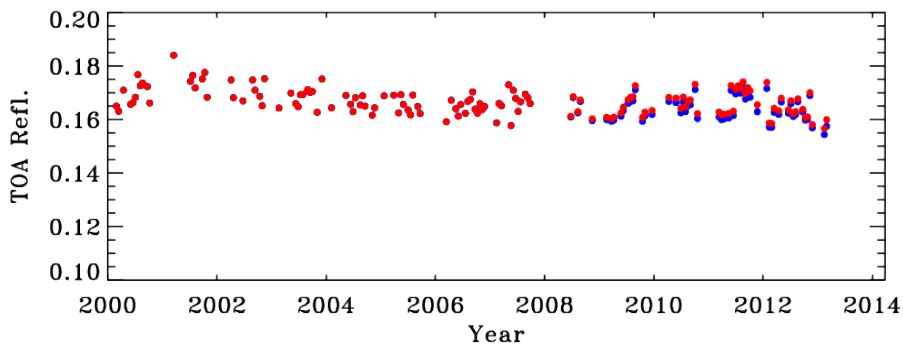
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B10 MS1 Fr 381



B10 MS1 Fr 983



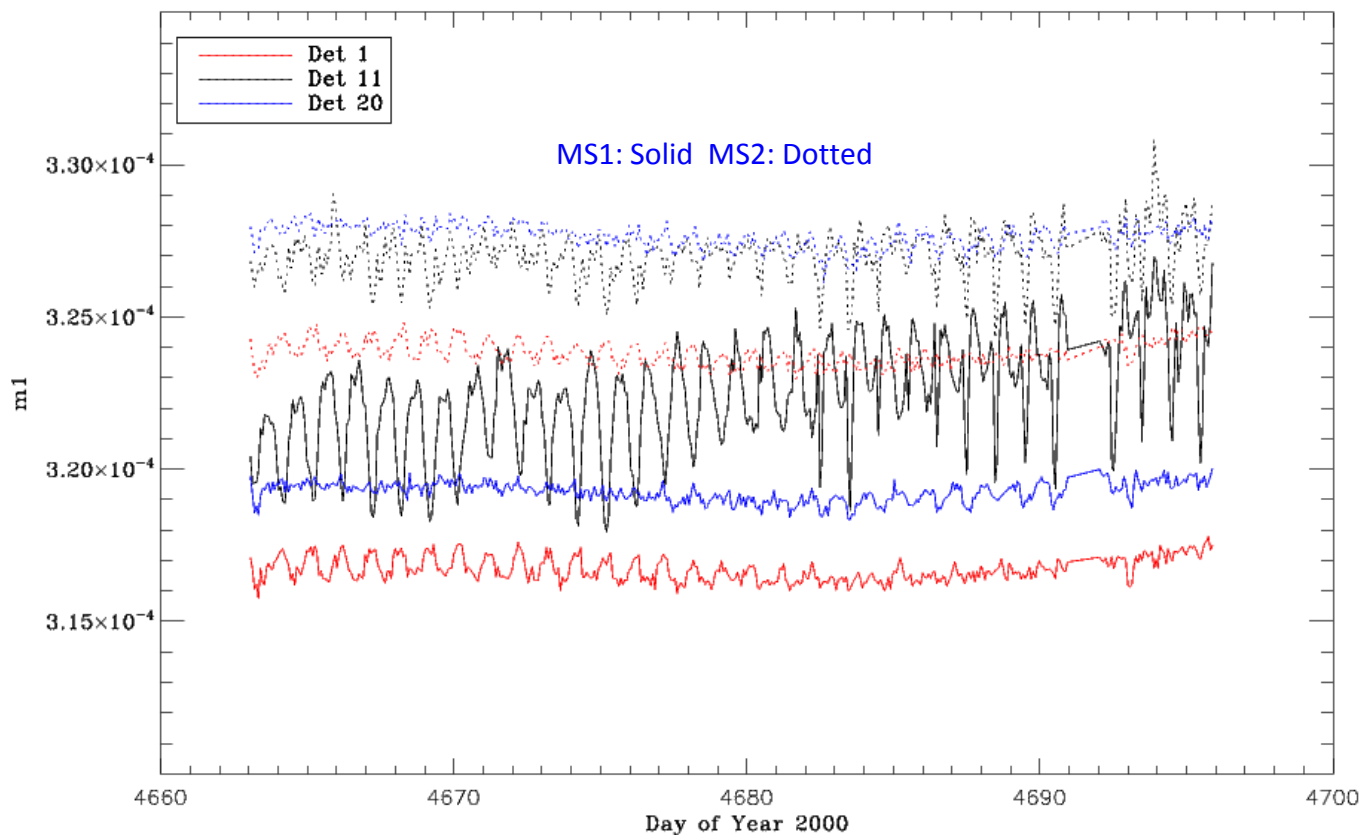
Red: New m1 and RVS; Blue: C6 m1 and RVS.



m1 Anomaly due to the “Sticky Bin” Effect



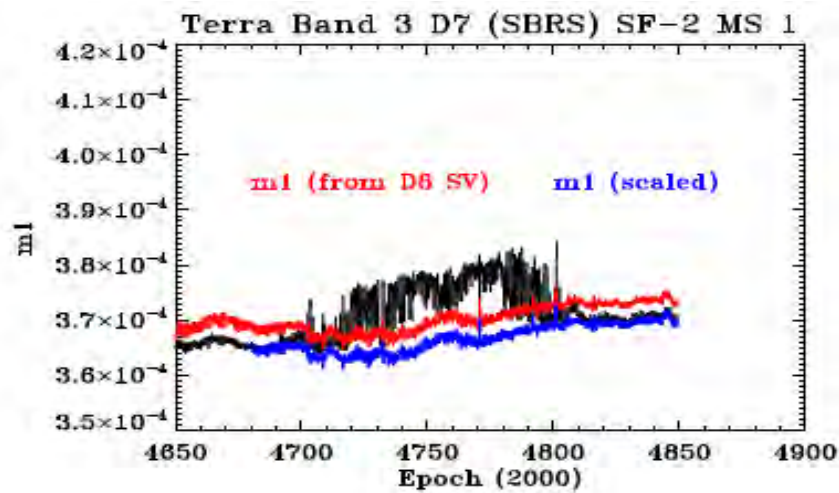
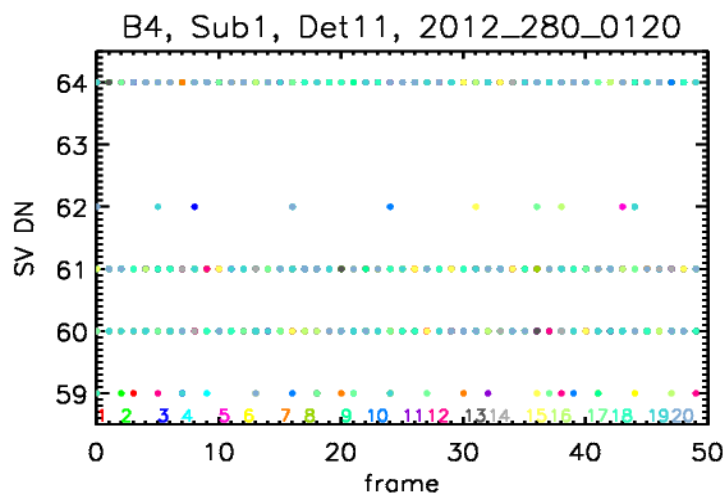
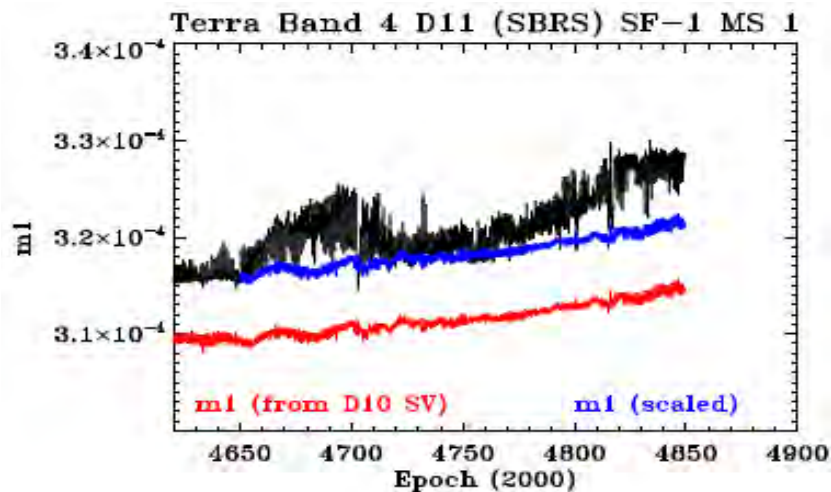
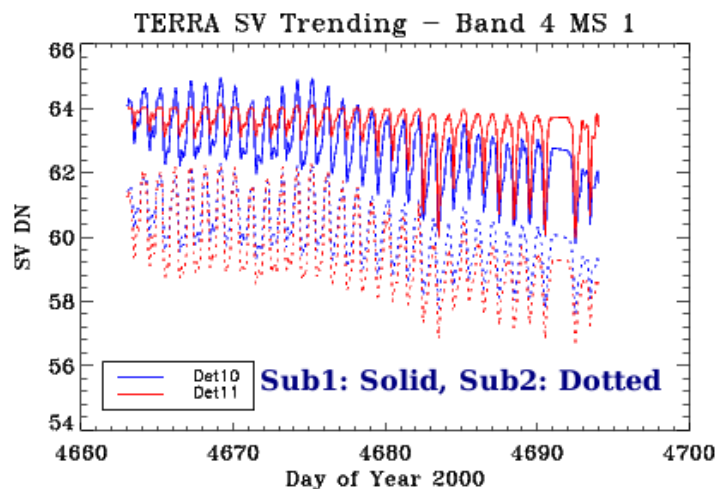
MODIS TERRA m1 Trending – Band 4 Subframe 1



- B4 D11: Fluctuations ~1.5% since ~15, October, 2012
- B3 D7: Fluctuations ~2.5% since December, 2012
- B8 detector 1: Fluctuations ~0.5% very recently



m1 Anomaly due to the “Stick Bin” Effect



64 is a “sticky bin” for band 4 detector 11.

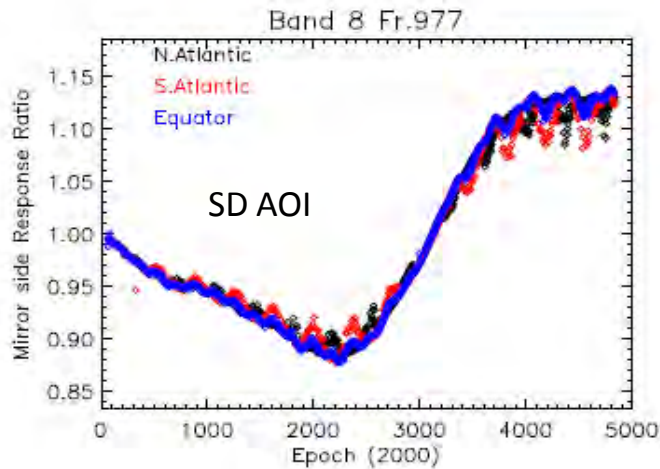


Polarization Effect

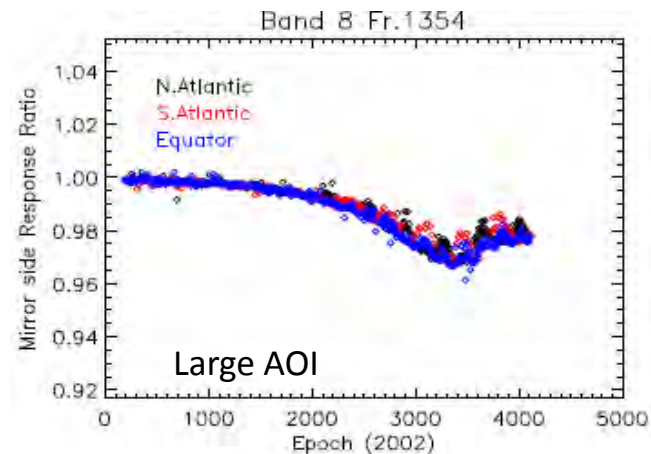
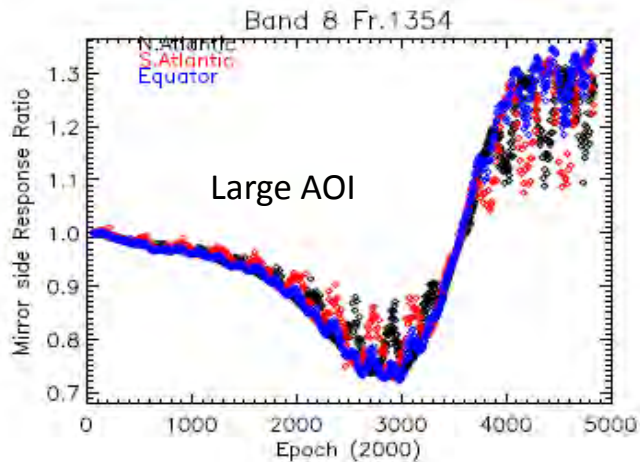
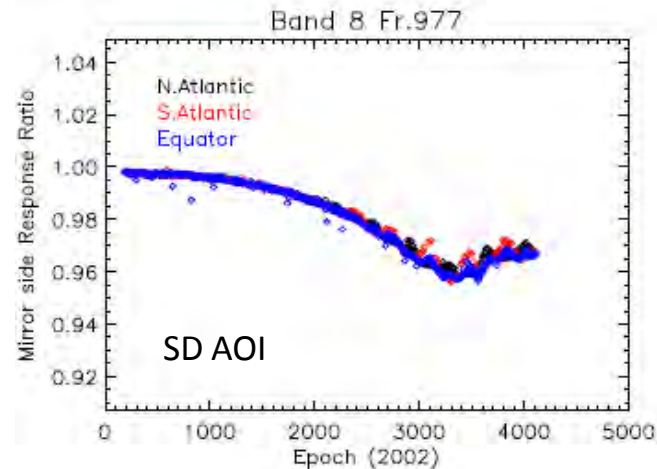
Terra and Aqua MS Ratios over ocean sites



Terra band 8



Aqua band 8



The variation of MS ratio with time at the two AOI is caused by MS difference of the polarization effect

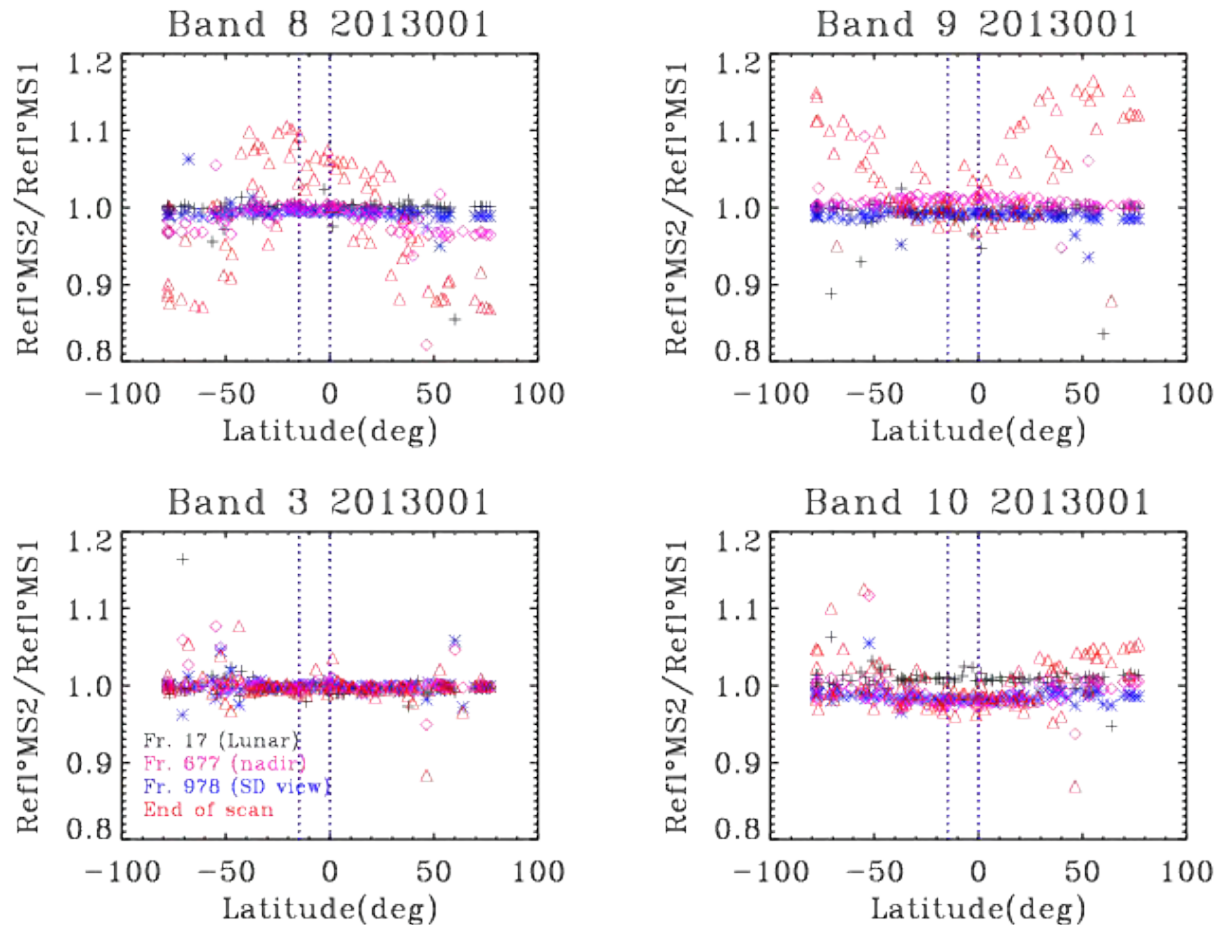


Polarization Effect

Terra MS Ratios in one orbit



Terra 2013



The MS ratio varies with the latitude at large AOI, which is caused by MS difference of the polarization effect

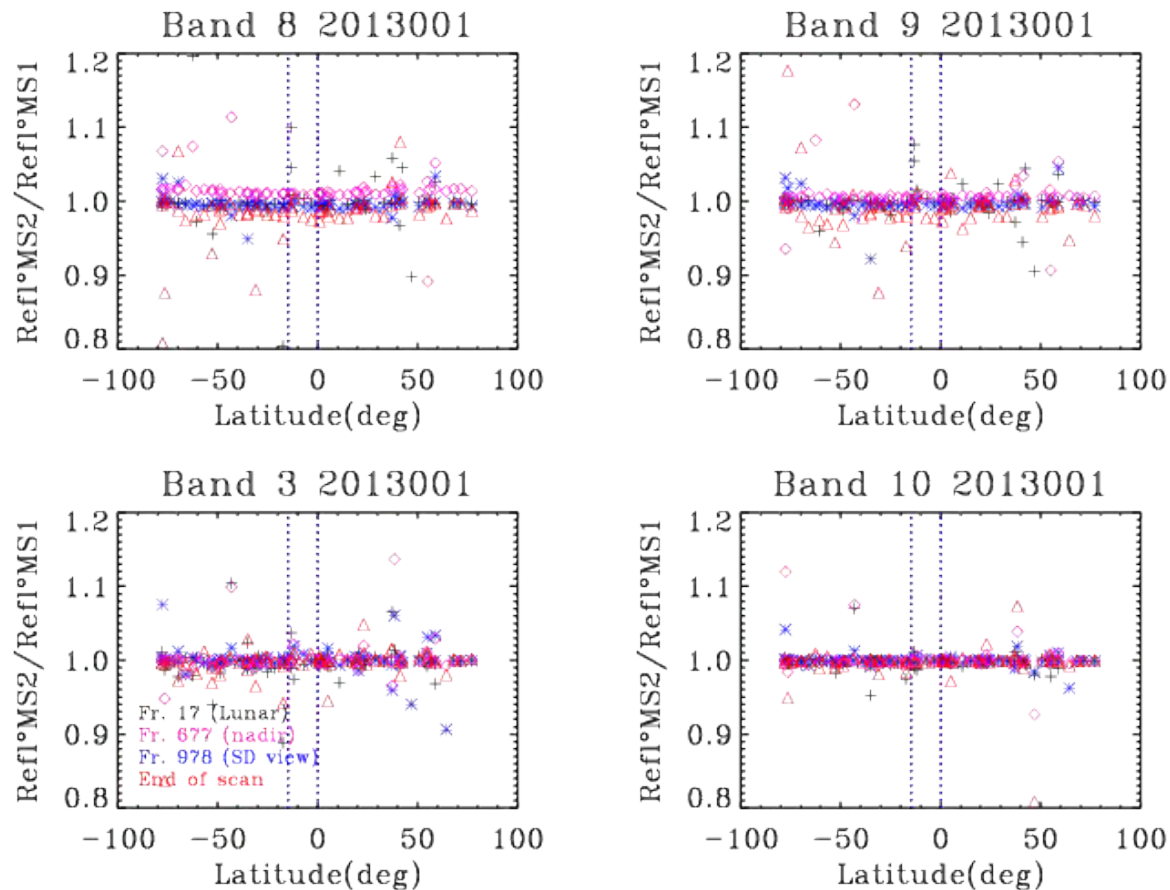


Polarization Effect

Aqua MS Ratios in one orbit



Aqua 2013



MS difference of the polarization effect for Aqua band 8 is much smaller than for Terra band 8 but is visible recently.



Issues currently under investigation

- Band 20 Terra/Aqua consistency
 - Aqua band 20 consistently ~ 0.3 K lower than Terra at typical radiance levels
 - Observed in both Collection 5 and 6 data
 - MCST investigating RSR differences as a possible cause
- Aqua CFPA Temperature control
 - Three workshops have been held and most recent one was held on 3/27/2013
<http://mcst.gsfc.nasa.gov/meetings/aqua-modis-cfpa-workshop-mar-27-2013>
 - Saturation for bands 33, 35 & 36 during WUCD activities
 - Mitigation approaches under investigation
- Simon Hook reported last year on an increasing Terra/Aqua B29 difference using his Lake Tahoe dataset
 - MCST confirmed the drift using Collection 5 Dome C data using B31 as a reference. [Terra/Aqua B31 difference near 0 and stable over lifetime]
 - Similar trending using Collection 6 dataset removes/reduces the long-term drift in Terra Band 29.
- TEB RVS derivation using Dome C and clear ocean surfaces
 - Under investigation
- Terra bands 1 and 2 lunar and EV response trending difference
 - Lunar response trending match EV response trending over pseudo-invariant desert sites for all RSB bands of both instruments as long as they are not saturated expect Terra bands 1 and 2



Summary



- Both Terra and Aqua MODIS continue to operate normally
- Instrument on-board calibrators remain capable of all design functions
- Overall sensor performance has been satisfactory (very few noisy detectors in recent years)
- Decade long high quality MODIS data products have significantly contributed to a broad range of scientific studies and applications
- Dedicated calibration and characterization effort, including good communication with the science and user community, has become critically important for future improvement



Performance Summary



- Shorter wavelength VIS bands show larger degradation
 - Strong wavelength, mirror side, and scan angle dependence
 - MS difference in Aqua MODIS is much smaller than Terra MODIS
- A few NIR bands show gain increases over time
- Changes in SWIR responses are very small
 - SWIR bands are located on CFPA with MWIR bands
- TEB (MWIR and LWIR) responses have been very stable
 - Less than 2% changes over entire mission, except up to 10% for Terra LWIR PV bands 27-30
- Overall SNR and NEdT performance remains satisfactory
 - Only 1 new noisy detector in last 3 years
- On-orbit spectral and spatial performance remains stable
- Geolocation improvements have been made in C6



Discussions



- **Challenging Issues**

- Large changes in VIS spectral band/detector response
 - Mirror side, wavelength, and AOI dependent
 - Impact on mirror polarization sensitivity
 - **Less predictability for the long-term trend**
- Strong wavelength dependent SD degradation (larger at shorter λ), especially in Terra MODIS
- Issues identified from science (Cal/Val) presentations

- **Future Work**

- Examine and mitigate the impact of large SD degradation on SD/SDSM calibration accuracy and potentially on the detector RSR
- Further reduce calibration impact due to gradual increase of Aqua CFPA temperatures (add temperature dependency for a2)
- Characterize Terra and Aqua MODIS calibration consistency



- **Future Work (cont'd)**

- Investigate and resolve bands 1-2 drift
- Improve RSB RVS
 - Current algorithms: band selections
 - New algorithms: for future applications
- Improve TEB RVS characterization (update if necessary)
- Terra/Aqua calibration data product consistency
- Terra configuration consistency (request of SST group)
- Spectral correction to PC bands (UWisc)

- **Other Considerations**

- Calibration and characterization effort at end of the mission

- **Action Items (to be discussed in future MsWG)**