

SLIMED: A lunar calibration model based on many instruments and one Moon



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Status of the SLIM lunar calibration model

Introduction: see CALCON 2019 invited talk

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30 sec Intro. What are Lunar Calibration and a Lunar Model?

Treat the Moon as a cheap, aged, mottled but stable (10^{-8} /year) diffuse reflector that is routinely (monthly) available with wobbly but exactly known ($<0.0000015^\circ$ viewing, 4×10^{-12} illumination) geometry (compliments of Newton, Einstein and JPL) illuminated by a fairly stable lamp (the Sun) that also lights your science target.

Goal: What is the effective reflectance of this gift as a function of the illumination and viewing angles.

SLIM Summary

There is only one Moon; its reflectance must be smooth in all photometric and spectral dimensions.

Initial SLIMFIT mapped each instrument band onto a fixed set of model bands

Using a spectral transform matrix for each instrument

SLIMED, each point has its own geometry and effective wavelength; no spectral transform

Normalize to fixed solar and lunar reference spectra, then fit with polynomials in 'wave'

Select instruments to include in fit; usually omit wide (pan) bands.

Large matrix inversion, typically 100,000 x 35

In words is simple, math is a little complex

Libration effect has been a major challenge,

Use global albedo maps from lunar orbiters to model libration effect.

Evaluate all instruments on hand with one model

Useful for relative response comparisons; large differences

SLIMED model is continuous in all dimensions.

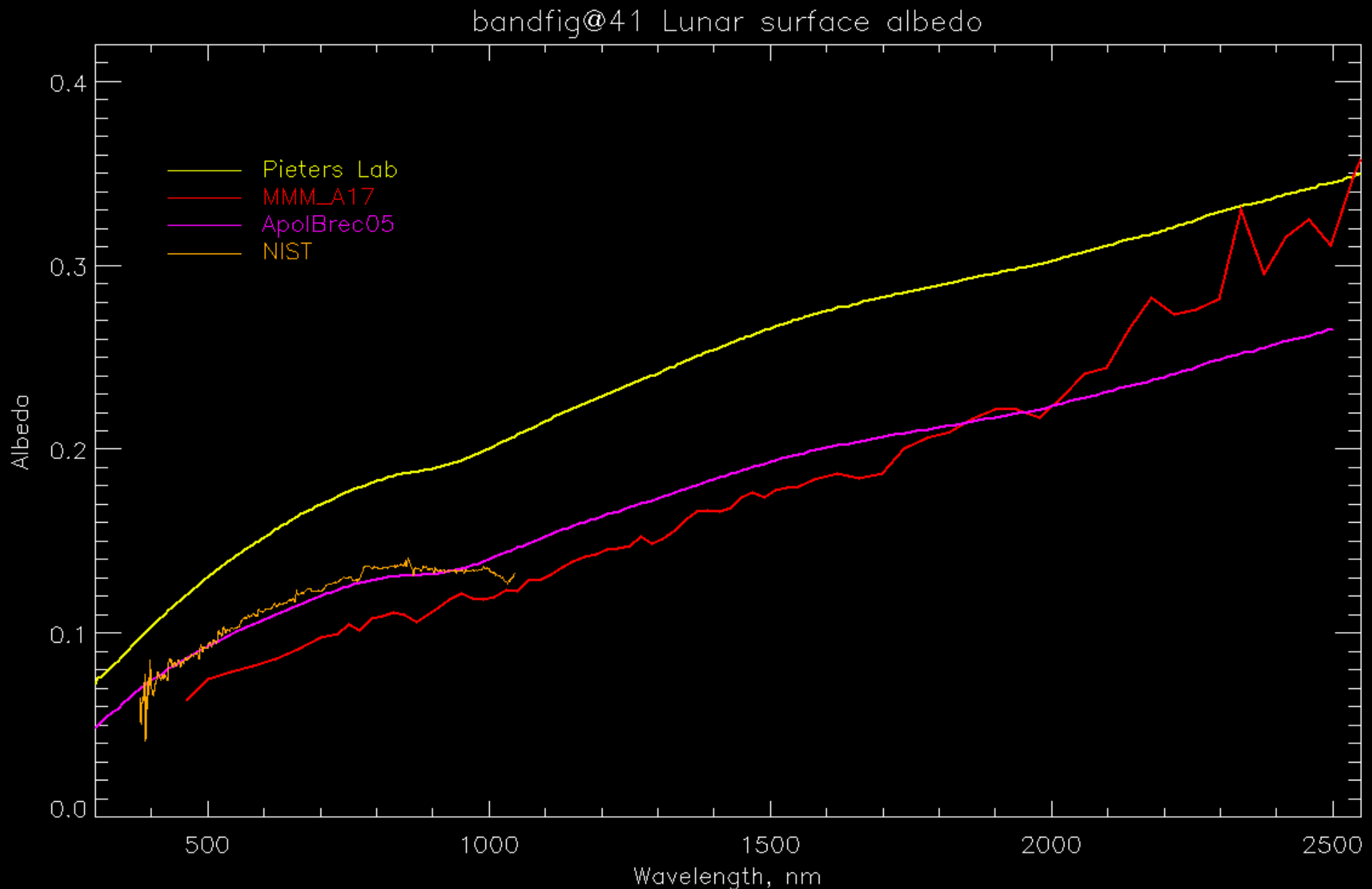
Residuals over all instruments are comparable to ROLO

About 30 terms instead of 328 !

Many little things still to be addressed, but the basic result is firm.

The Lunar Reference Spectrum

Telescope and Lab measures. ROLO and SLIM use ApolBrec05;
Depends upon shape only, not the absolute level.



Method

Ingest instrument data into standard formats

All table driven. Define each instrument data set

Select instruments to include in fit: **Judgement Judgement**

Assign band or point uncertainties (teams should do this).

Assign instrument 'Heft' to account for number of data points

Convert input location and time to photometric angles, adjust to std distances

Do ROLO calibration. If indication of trends, fit and apply

Select geometric and wave basis functions to fit.

⇒ ⇒ Make fitReady file: all points, bands (unity gain), selected instruments

↑↑ Decide whether to apply Libration Model correction

↑↑ Select basis functions, and what power of wave for each, to include.

↑↑ ⇒ Do the fit. (~30 x 111,019 matrix inversion) Look at results.

↑↑ Key metric, Mean absolute weighted residual

↑↑ Also: check symmetry to perturbations of each coefficient

↑↑ Mean weighted residual for each band is the gain factor: apply it

↑↑ ⇐ Loop on this until convergence. First N loops automatic, then query.

↑ Calibrate the instruments,

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↑ Can check for trends in calibrated data, apply them.

↑⇐ Do again

Output: A lunar model, and empirical gain factor for every instrument band.

Can then use this model to calibrate any/all instrument observations

pseudo-Equations

In both cases, can select any subset of terms.

Fit lunar albedo maps by band: $[1, x, y, x^2, y^2, xy] * [1, p, p^2, g, 1/p]$ 30 terms

x =Viewer lon., y =Viewer lat., p =signed phase, g =absolute phase

Units [for numerical stability]: x and y in degree/10, p and g in radians

Fit all bands at once, using all these * λ [select 1 of 3 versions] , total 60 terms.

Down-select to about 20 most important terms

Fit instrument irradiance: polynomial in: $g, 1/g, x, y, Hlon*x$ and $Hlon*y$

Units: x and y in degree, g in radians

$Hlon$, sub-solar longitude ($\sim p$) , radians, to odd powers

$Hlat$, sub-solar latitude, degree, linear only (small range)

Any of these terms may be polynomial in wave: λ or $1/\lambda$ or $\ln \lambda$

Typically, 20 to 50 terms

Estimate libration effect using Clementine maps

Sources:

Clementine: all nadir, so shadows increase poleward relative to Earth view

UVVIS (5 bands) to the poles, noisy beyond $\pm 59^\circ$

NIR (6 bands, omit longest two; thermal influence), to $\pm 70^\circ$

Lunar Orbiter Laser Altimeter, LOLA, $1.084 \mu\text{m}$, to the poles, nadir, 0-phase

Source maps generally high resolution; reduce to 8 pixels/degree

Fill poles with bland average where needed; 6% of view

Synthesize orthographic image assuming Lunar-Lambert photometry

A mix of Lambertian and Lommel-Seeliger photometric function

Lambert fraction increases with absolute phase angle

Normalize to zero libration

Compute grid of irradiance:

Vlon and Vlat: [-8, -4, 0, +4, +8] , 25 points

p=Phase angle: [3, 8, 14, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90] and – these, 22 points

Total of 550 points / band

5500 points. About 20 terms model most of the effect

Synthetic Moon based on LOLA albedo

8 pixel/deg
Simple cylindrical map
Reprojected
to 700 pixel diameter

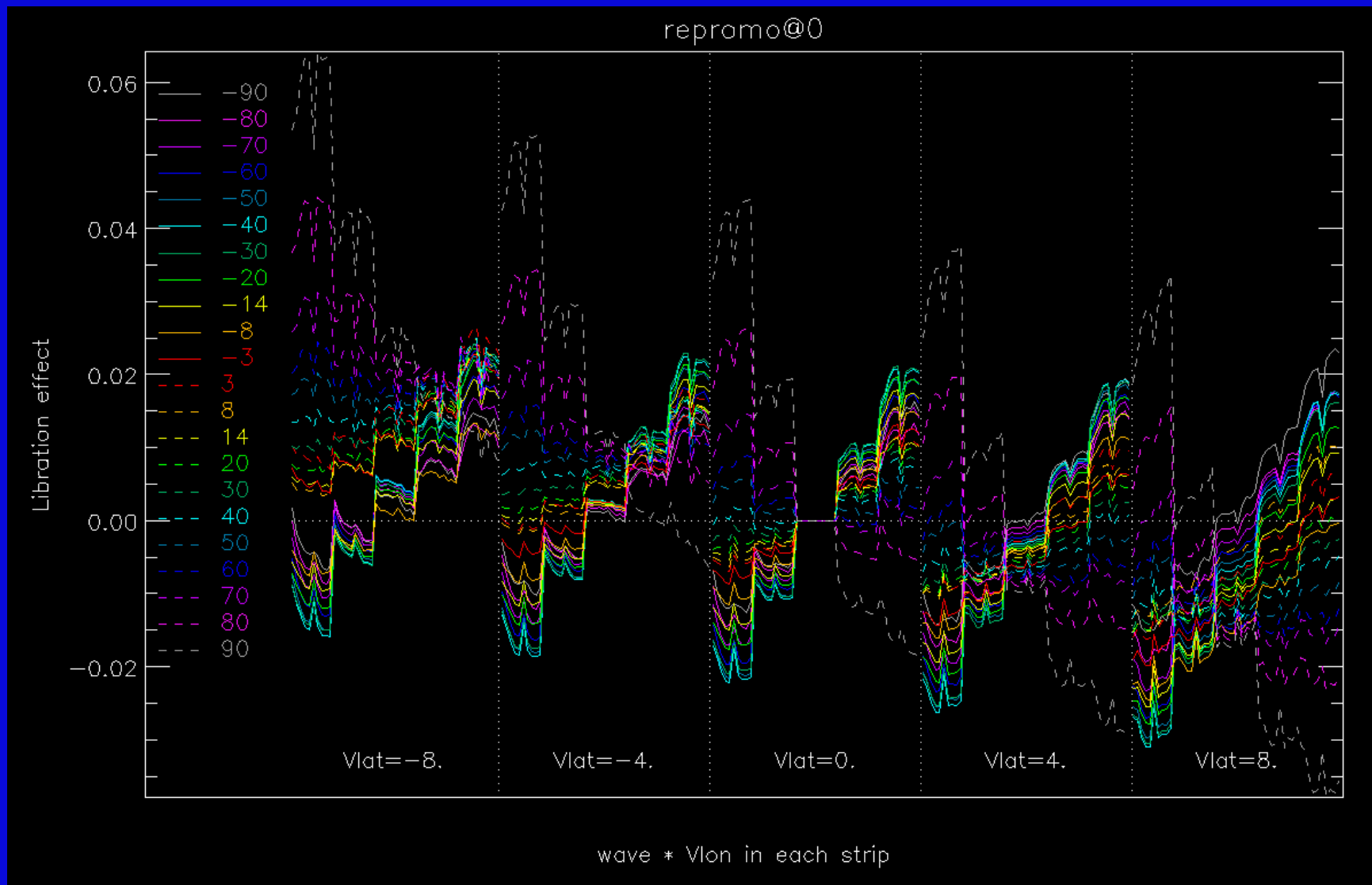
Phase -45°
Vlon +8
Vlat -4
Hlat 0

Actually bypass the
projection and use
pixel apparent
solid angles



Libration effect, 4 dimensions

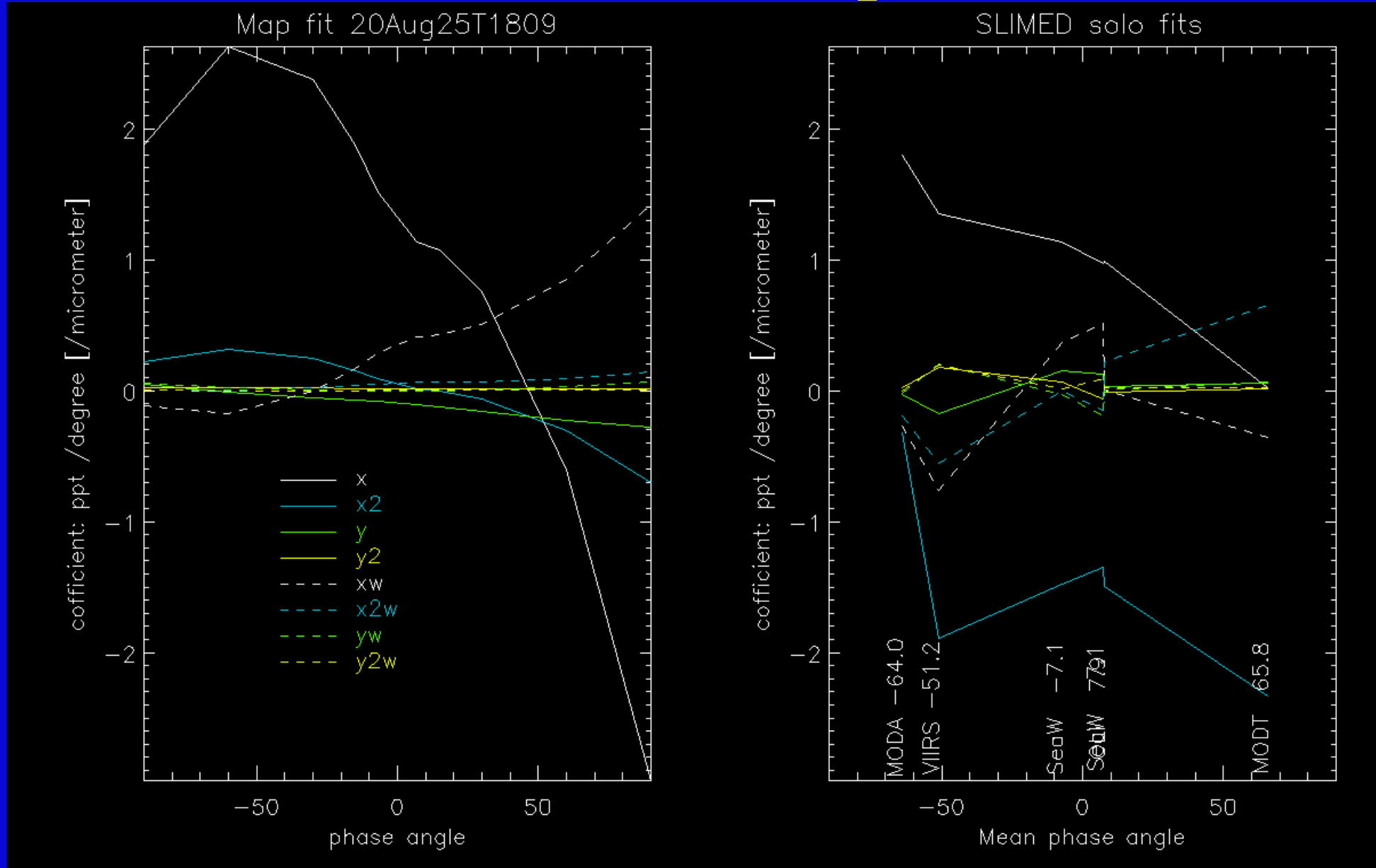
Wavelength, phase, Viewer longitude and latitude



Small variation with wavelength, and shape is suspicious

ROLO treated this as 2-D, linear in Vlon and Vlat

Libration coefficients: Maps and SLIMED



+7, SeaWIFS and OLI

- **Some agreement**

Instruments that provided Lunar irradiance

Instrument	Acro- nym	Num band	Luna tions	Num Times	Num. pts	__Obs. Date__		phase angle		
						First	Last	min	min.Abs	max
LEO										
SeaWIFS	SeaW	8	143	145	1160	97Nov14	10Nov22	-7.9	5.1	10.1
Hyperion	HypM	26*	18	20	520	13Feb26	16Feb23	-28.3	6.9	29.4
MODIS-Terra	MODT	20	192	949	18980	00Jul22	19Feb23	47.9	47.9	81.5
MODIS-Aqua	MODA	19	175	743	14117	02Dec13	19Feb15	-79.9	36.9	-36.9
Suomi-NPP	VIIRS	14	70	71	994	12Jan04	20Mar05	-56.2	49.8	-49.8
Landsat-8	OLI	9	70	1080	9720	13Mar26	19Jan21	-8.4	5.4	9.7
PLEIADES-A	PleA	5	61	141	705	12Jan02	17Apr07	-94.6	2.1	111.9
PLEIADES-B	PleB	5	42	339	1695	13Feb17	17Apr07	-101.5	1.4	101.6
*242 raw bands, 204 useful, averaged into 26 bands										
GEO										
GOES-8	GS8	1	38	44	44	95Jan08	03Feb20	-91.1	4.3	84.1
GOES-9	GS9	1	7	9	9	95Dec12	98Apr12	-70.4	10.0	82.4
GOES-10	GS10	1	40	49	49	98Aug09	06Jun06	-89.3	7.3	89.6
GOES-11	GS11	1	49	77	77	06Sep08	11Dec04	-87.6	4.5	89.9
GOES-12	GS12	1	38	49	49	03Apr14	10Mar02	-83.4	6.8	66.5
GOES-13	GS13	1	26	47	47	10Jul30	13Nov14	-76.9	6.4	74.3
GOES-15	GS15	1	14	28	28	12Mar06	13Nov14	-52.8	2.6	69.0
other										
2148m	ROLO	32	30	1249	39968	98Jul03	00Dec17	-124.7	1.4	109.3
2367m	NIST	9	1	2	18	12Nov30	12Nov30	19.8	19.8	19.8
HiRISE Mars	HiRIS	3	1	4	12	16Nov20	16Nov20	69.6	69.6	69.6

Instruments

inst	band	date	Uncert	heft	effUnc	Tot.W%
ROLO	32	2462	0.025	0.05	0.112	16.12
OLI	9	1080	0.03	1.00	0.030	27.61
HypM	26	20	0.10	1.00	0.100	0.13
MODA	19	743	0.05	1.00	0.050	14.44
MODT	20	949	0.05	1.00	0.050	19.41
VIIRS	14	71	0.05	2.00	0.035	2.03
SeaW	8	145	0.03	4.00	0.015	13.18
PleA	5	141	0.05	5.00	0.022	3.61
PleB	5	339	0.05	2.00	0.035	3.47

| my estimate | [Help me out here](#)

Calibrated, but not used in model construction

Inst	#band	#date	
GS8	1	44	
GS9	1	9	
GS10	1	49	
GS11	1	77	
GS12	1	49	
GS13	1	47	
GS15	1	28	
NIST	9	1	Mountaintop
HiRIS	3	4	from Mars
SEVIRI-1:4,	4	bands,	181 to 34 dates

Prep.: Trends and wild points

Look for points that are statistically unlikely,
assign huge uncertainty

Five kinds of trend fits: use simplest that works well

$$Y = c_0 + c_1 t$$

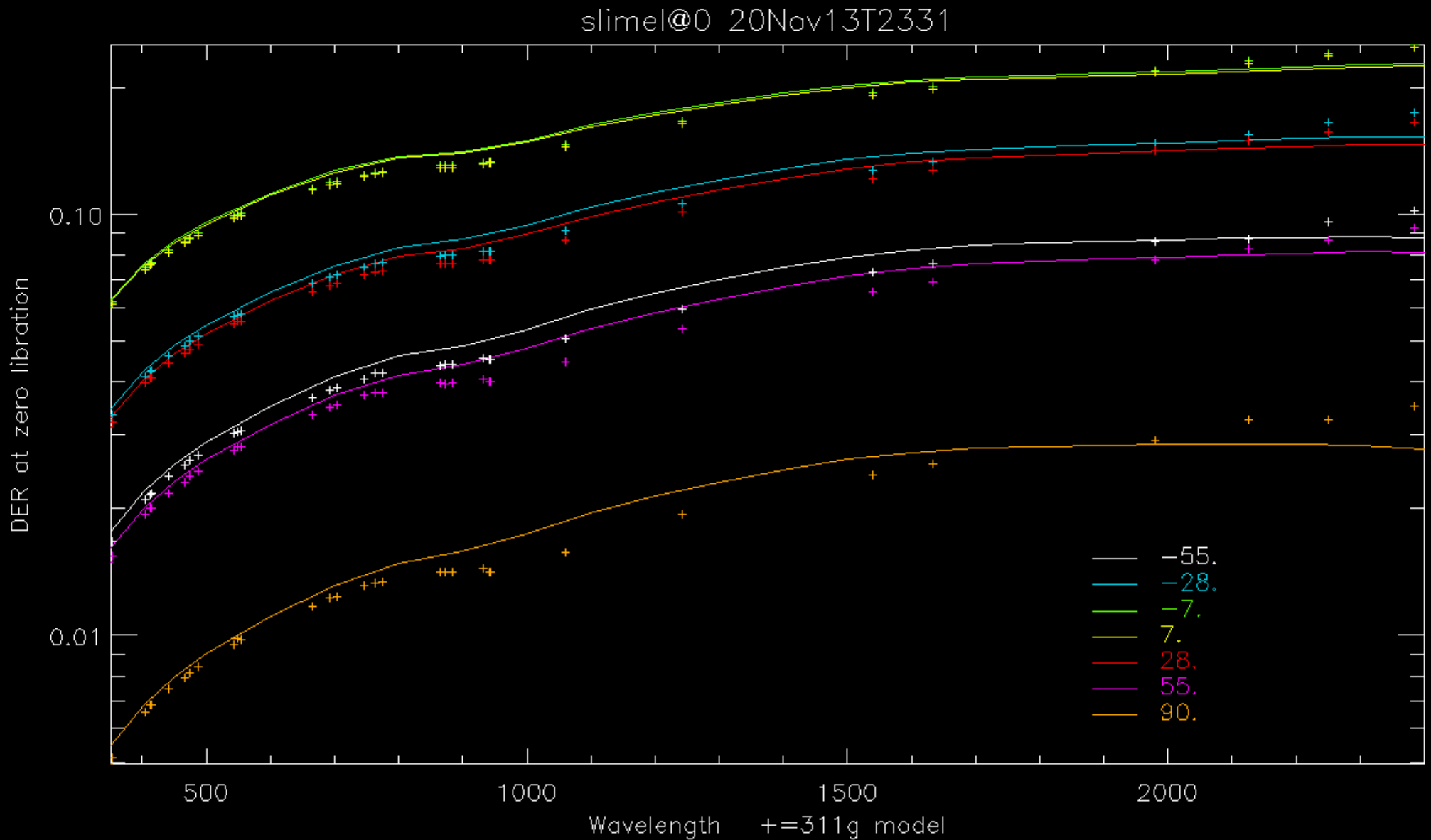
$$Y = c_1 e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$Y = y_1 + (y_2 - y_1) e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$Y = c_0 + c_1 t + c_2 e^{-t/\tau} \quad \text{Used for VIIRS}$$

$$Y = c_0 + c_1 e^{-t/\tau} + c_2 e^{-t/\tau'}$$

A SLIMED model: 22 terms, with LibModel



A 34-term model with LibModel is indistinguishable from this

Reality plot implications

Lunar calibration differences between instrument datasets are significant.

Probable Causes:

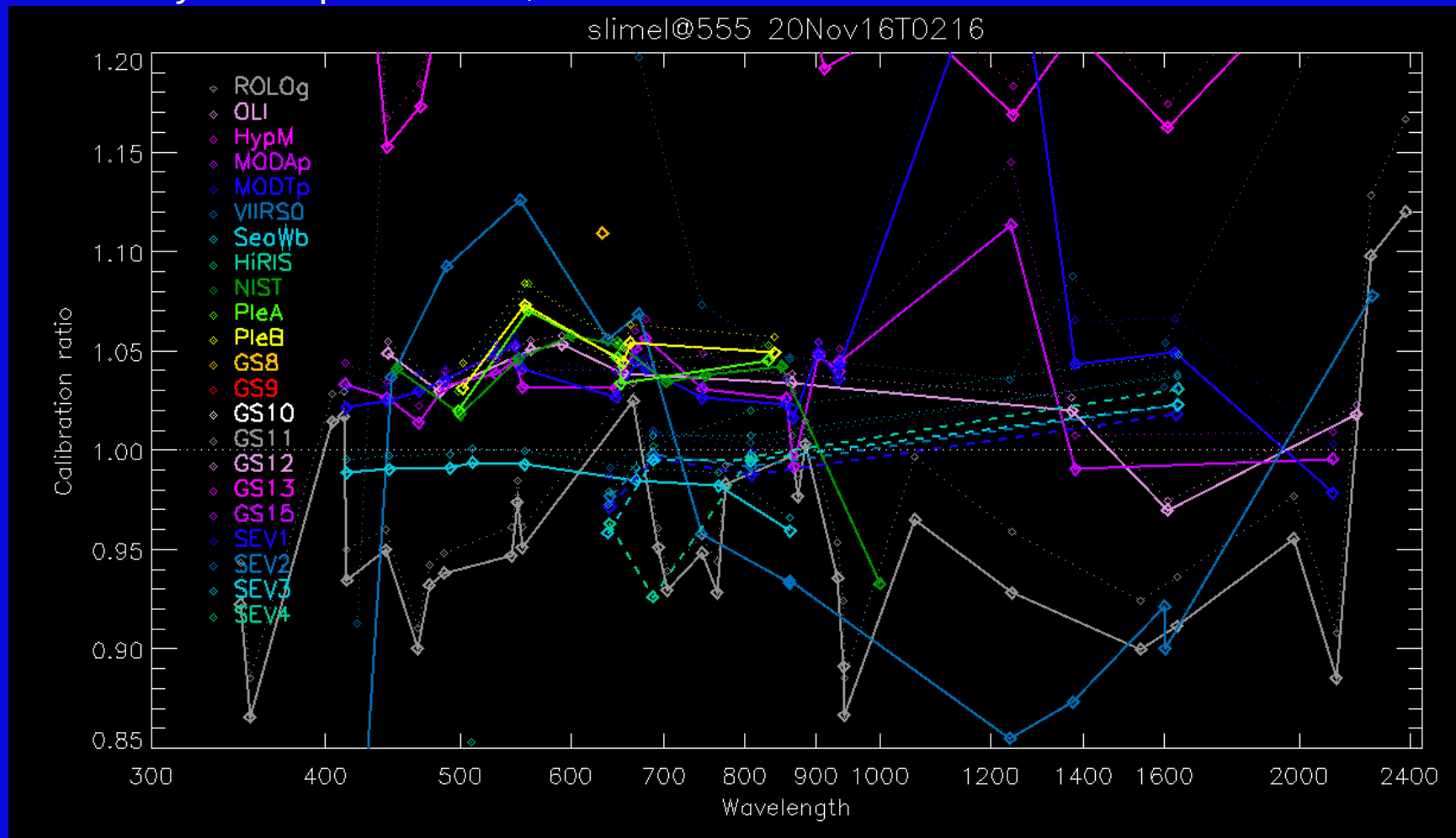
Hardware techniques: Changes between nadir look and lunar look

Change in optics from a Z-axis observation

Response changes, thermal load effect.

Processing techniques: Extracting the lunar irradiance from an lunar observation

Myriad of possibilities, all addressable!



A few comments

Model fine for trending

Still big uncertainty in absolute levels

Need absolute above-atmosphere observations

Would help to have reference spectrum of undisturbed lunar soli

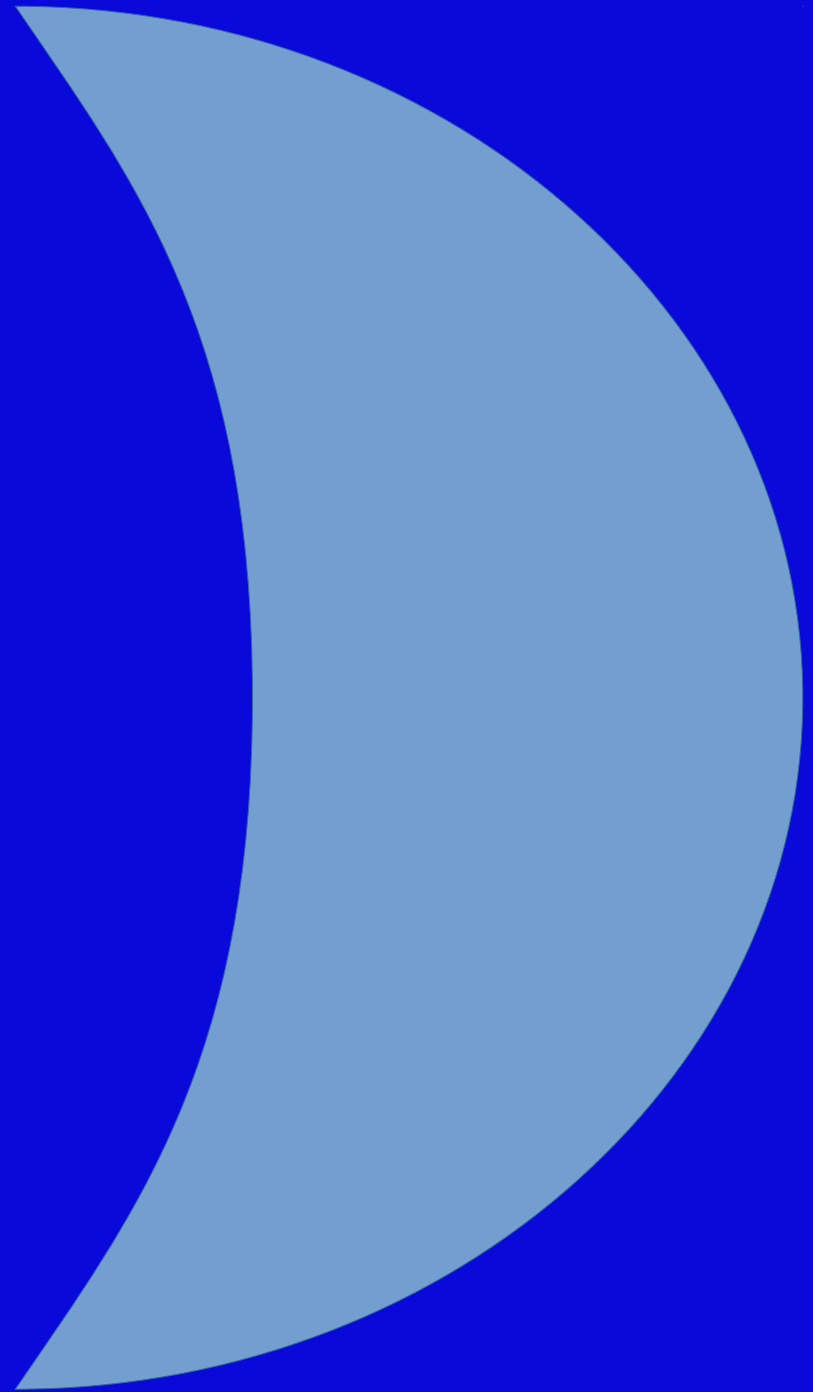
SeaWIFS about 5 % below others.

Below 850 nm general agreement except for VIIRS.

Some MODIS bands long of 1μ are inconsistent.

Done: Thank you

Backup slides follow



Sources of error

Item	expression	Native	in ppm	
			Typical	Best
Nadir vrs Moon	attitude, hardware	-	? 10,000	
Oversampling	\propto calib.	Y size	†7 ? 1000	100
Image artifacts	ghosts, flare	1% ?	? 10,000	? 1000
Solar variability	most in UV	1/	1000	300
Scan uniformity †3	$\epsilon \cdot \nabla I$	1/100 ?	†4 1000	?
Cross-track pixel scale	$\Delta\alpha/\alpha$	-	OLI 5800	? 10
Frame image distortion	$\propto \theta^3$?	? 10	? 10
Image time	-	1 sec =7.6 km	20	†6 ? ~ 1
Moon not a sphere	$\Delta h/R$	1/1737 local	†1	†2 0.2
Lunar surface	Global reflectance	0.01 ppm/yr	\ll 1	\ll 1
Spacecraft ephemeris	U, one axis	1 KM ?	2.6	\ll 1
Lunar ephemeris	ME distance	10 cm	2.6e-5	\ll 1
Relativity: c	d/c	1.3 sec	0.4	\ll 1
“ Abberation	v/c	2.e-8 radian	0.003	\ll 1
Model: Absolute		5% ?	50,000	? 1000
Model: Relative		1% ?	10,000	? 100

Error Table: Notes

- 1: Accounted for in libration terms in model, if adequately high resolution in angle.
- 2: Non-linearity in $1/\cos\theta$ over 7° [$1.2e-3$]; times the fractional circumference,
Arbitrarily set a $1/4 \Delta h/R$
- 3: Fractional rate change while crossing the Moon.
e.g., Change in mean scan rate over first $1/2$ Moon to second $1/2$
- 4: Depends upon scan direction. Typical fractional radiance difference
between two halves of a lunar image may be 0.1
- 5: Change in mean scan rate over first $1/2$ Moon to second $1/2$
- 6: If scan direction and angle across Moon are consistent
- 7: May vary widely between instruments.