

# SWAP Image Calibration

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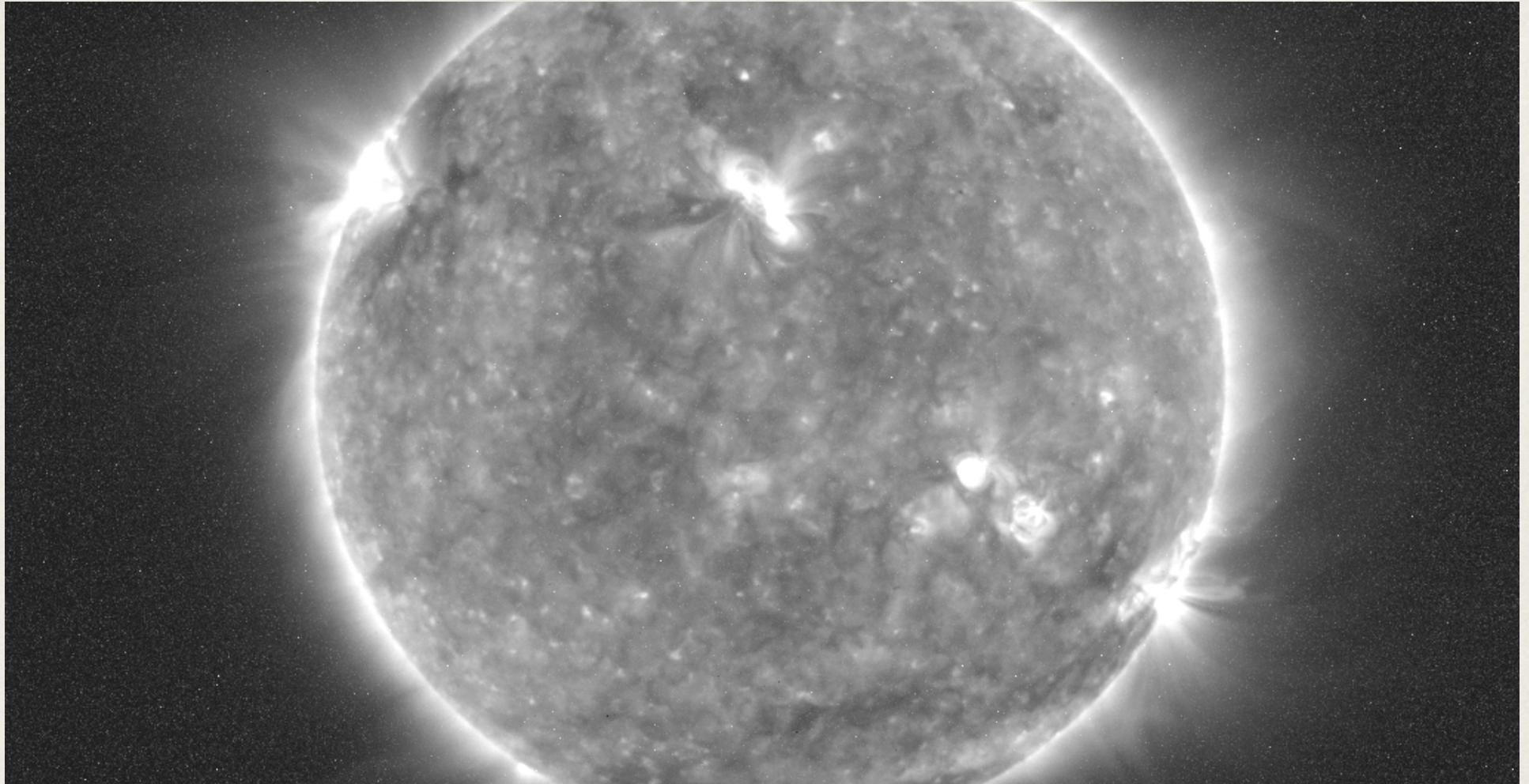
# Primary Image Calibration Steps

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- ❖ **Implemented**
  - ❖ Dark Subtraction
  - ❖ Pixel Map Correction
  - ❖ Image Scaling, Rotation, & Centering
- ❖ **In Progress**
  - ❖ Flat Field Correction
  - ❖ Linearity

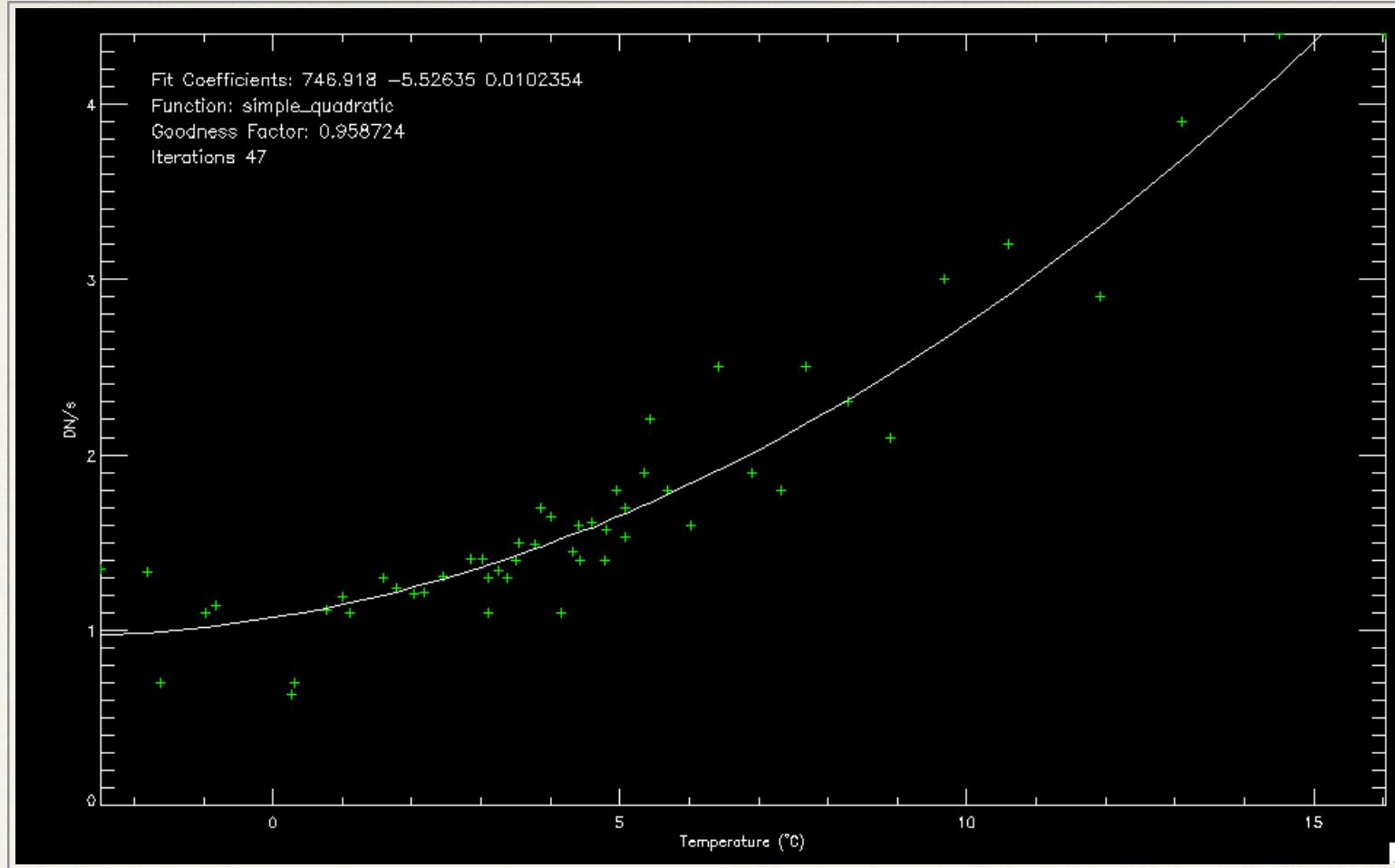
# Implemented Steps

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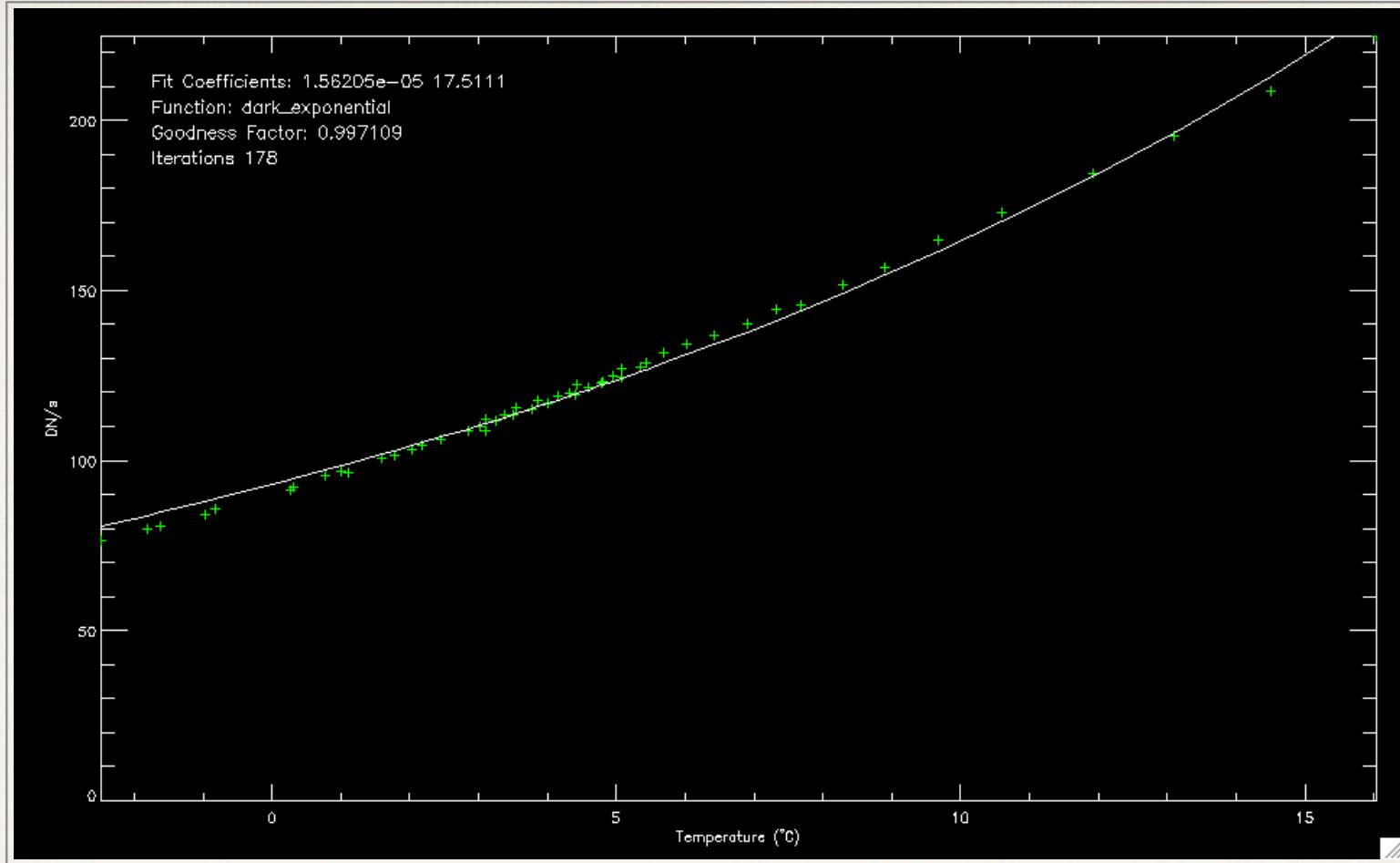
# Dark Subtraction

Dark Current is the major source of noise in nominal operations



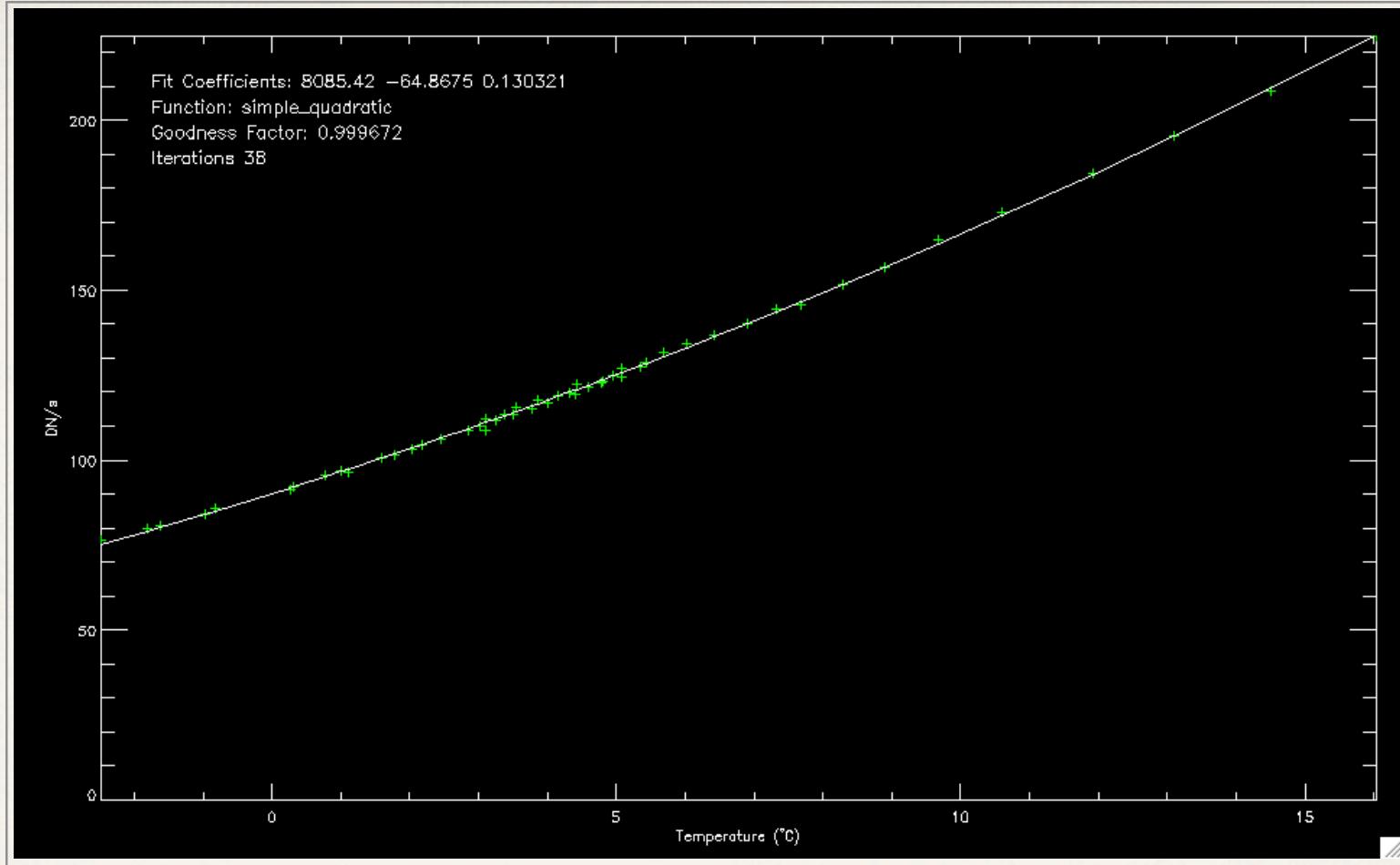
# Dark Subtraction

Dark frames are created on the fly



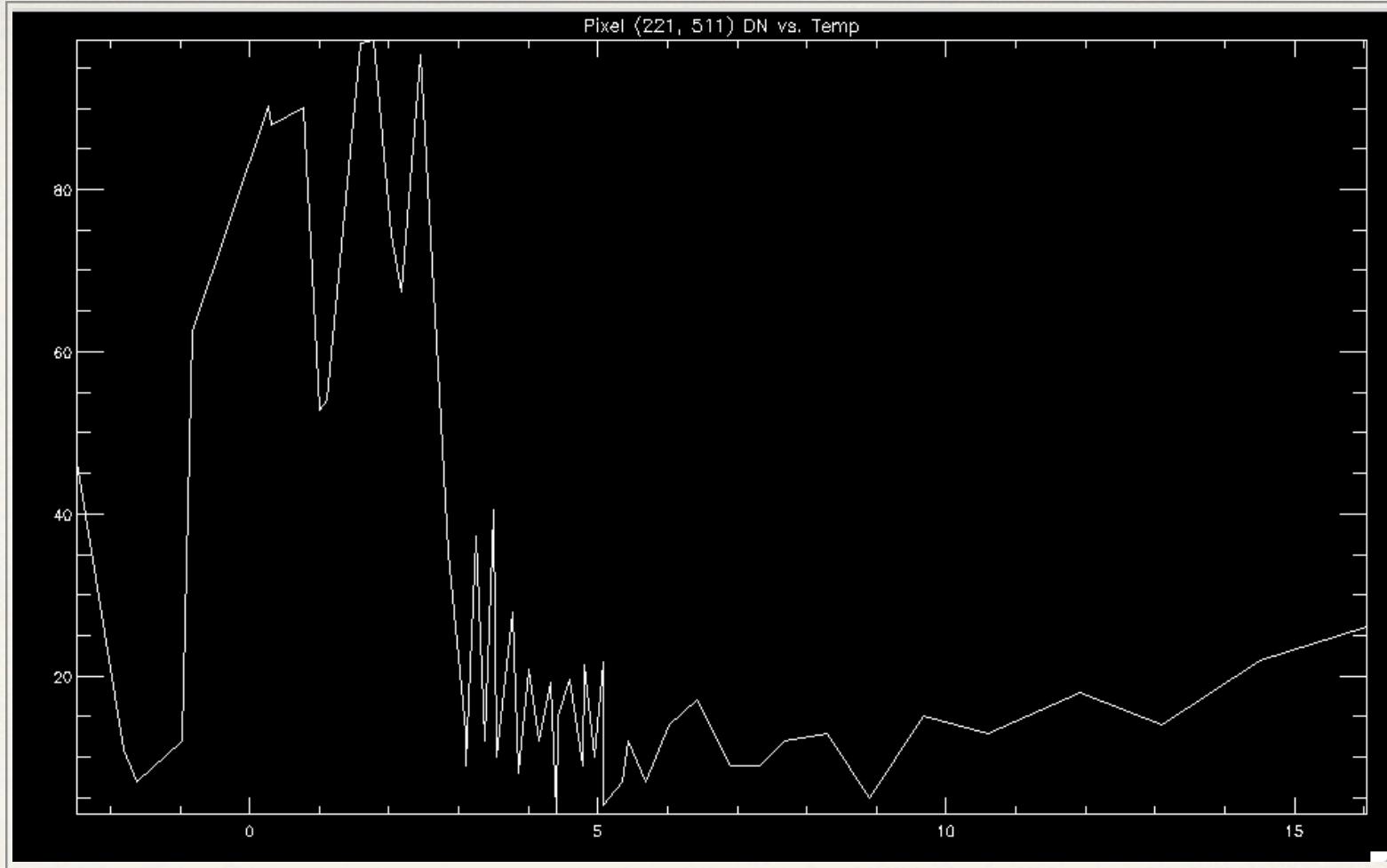
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Dark current is fit with a polynomial function



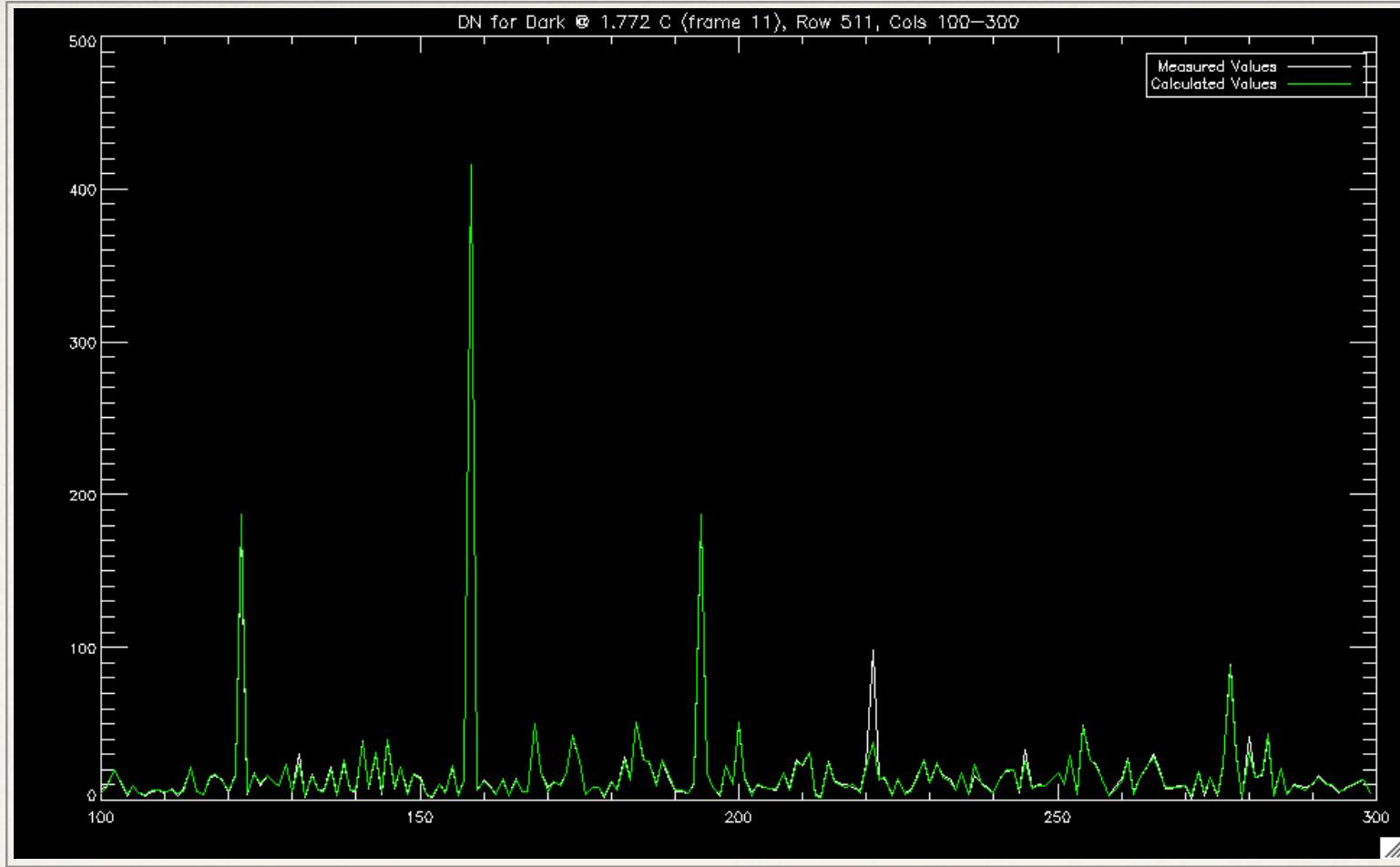
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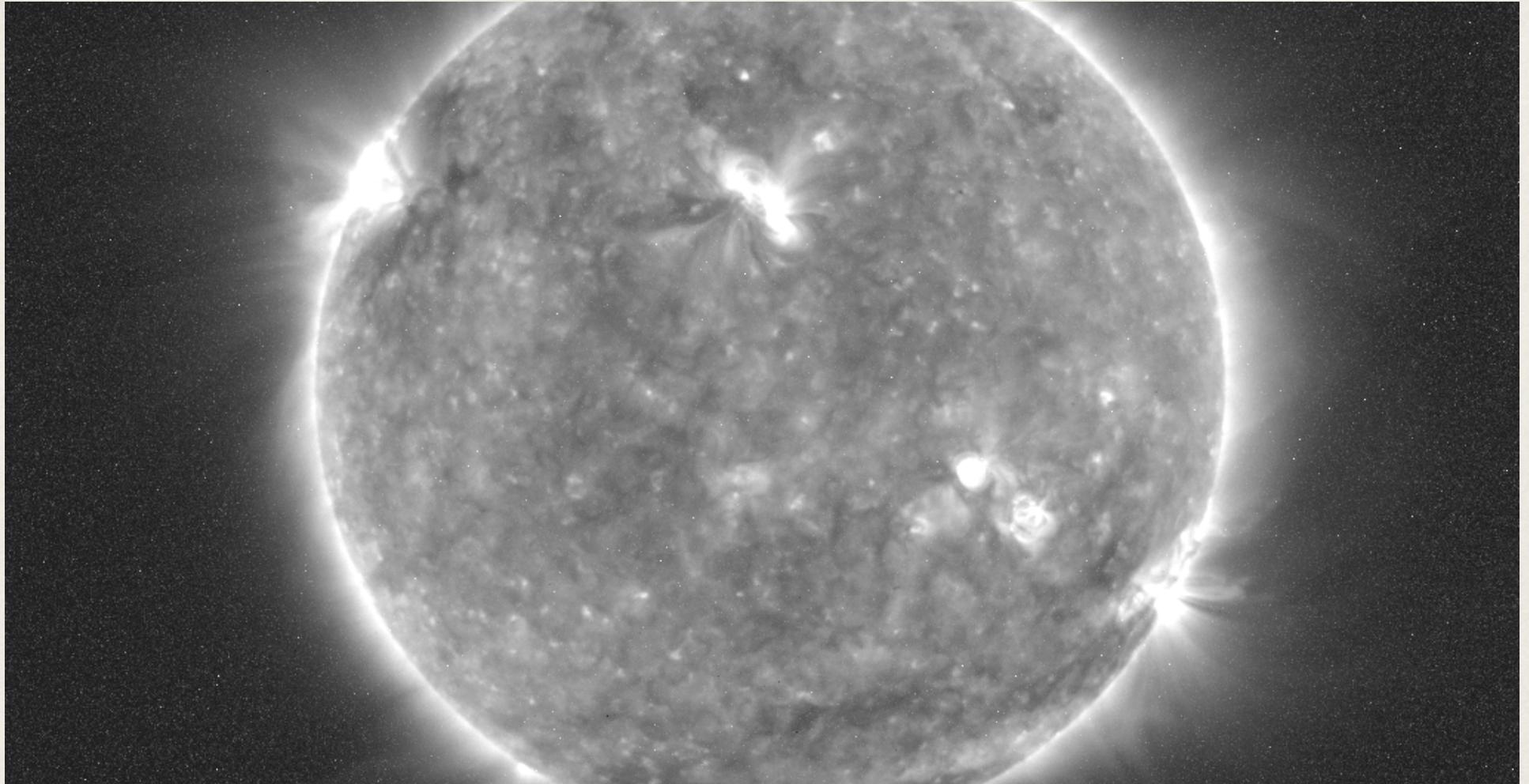
# Dark Subtraction

A small number of strange pixels cannot be fit



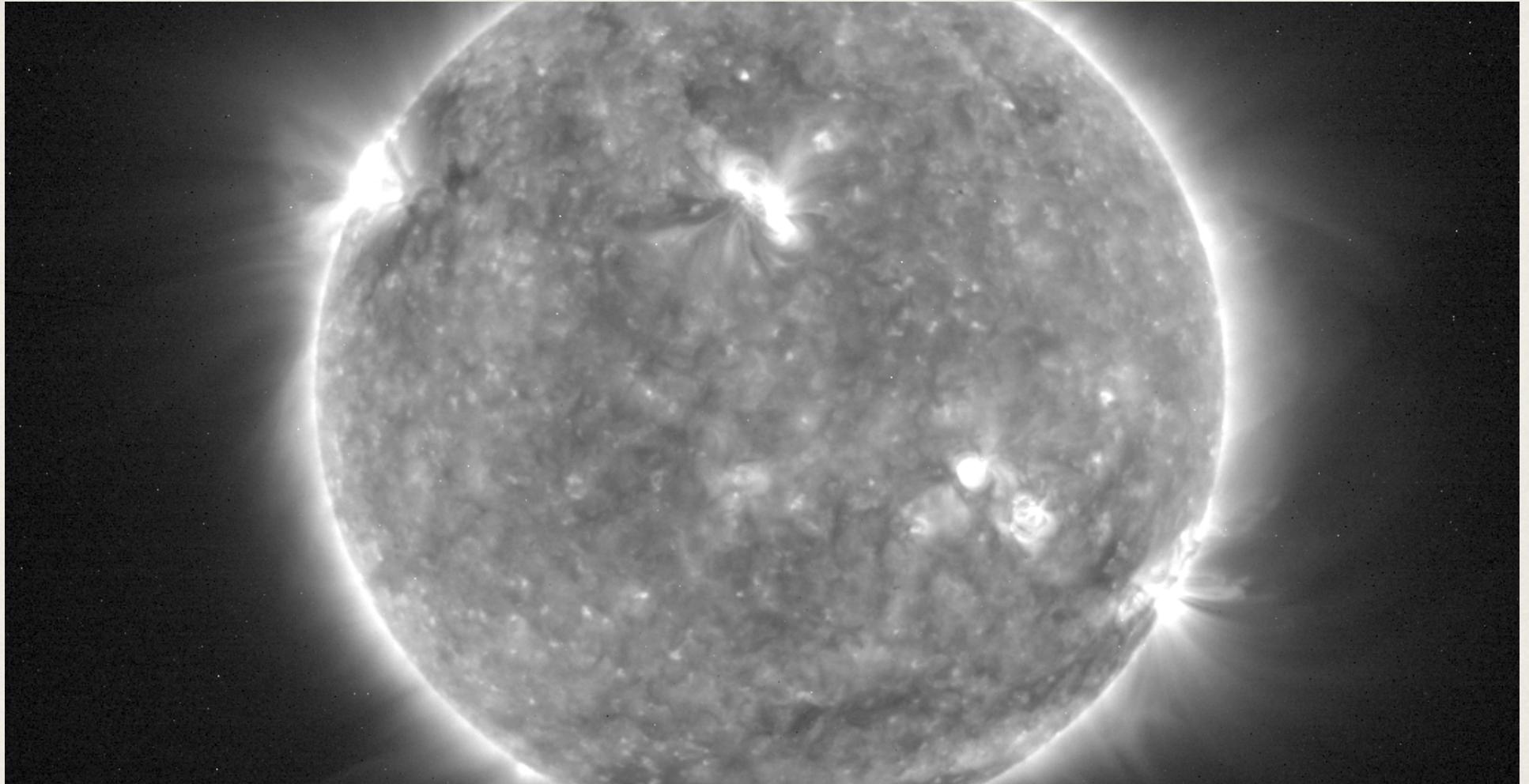
# Dark Subtraction

Most pixels can be fit to within a few counts



# Dark Subtraction

Dark subtraction removes most image noise

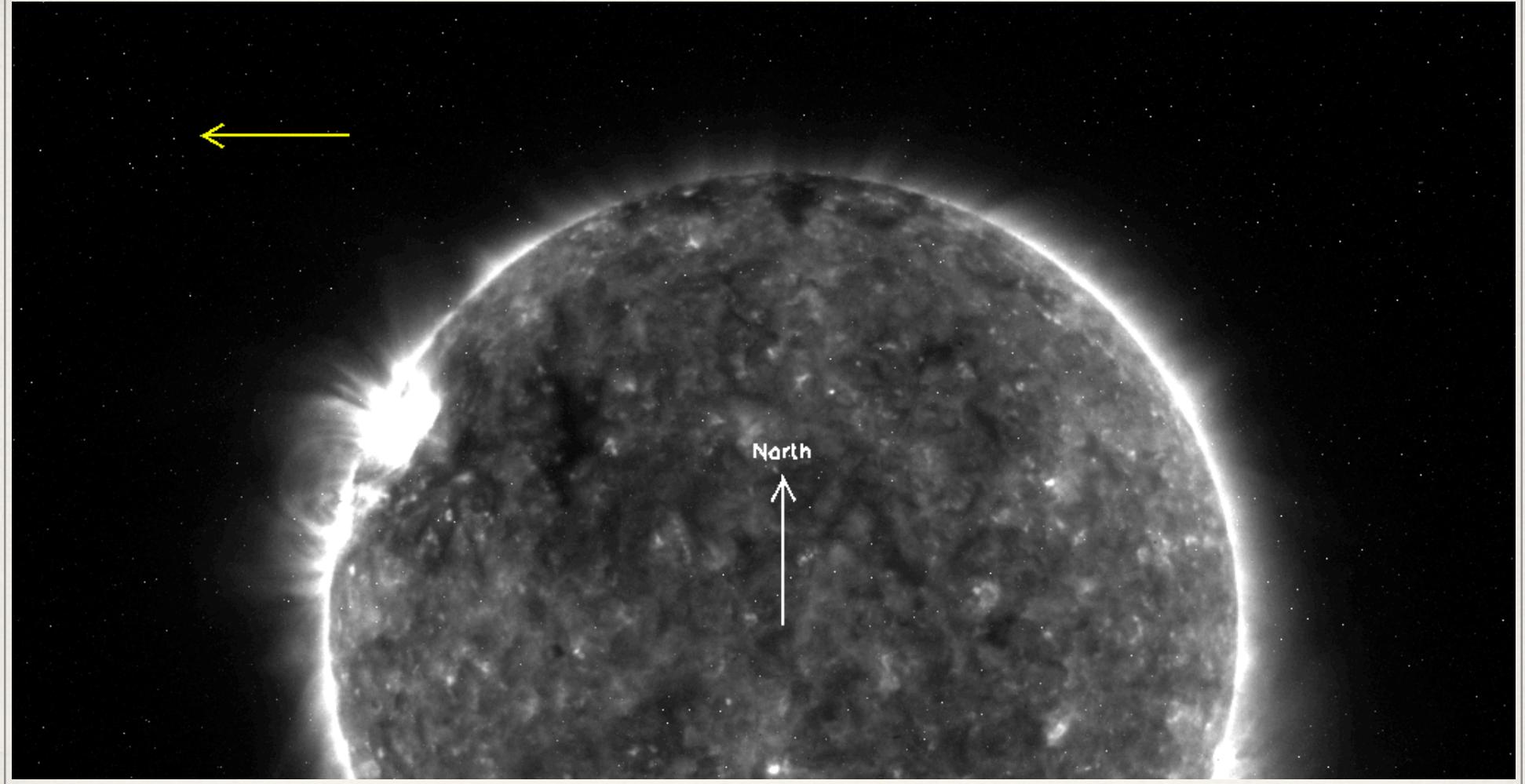


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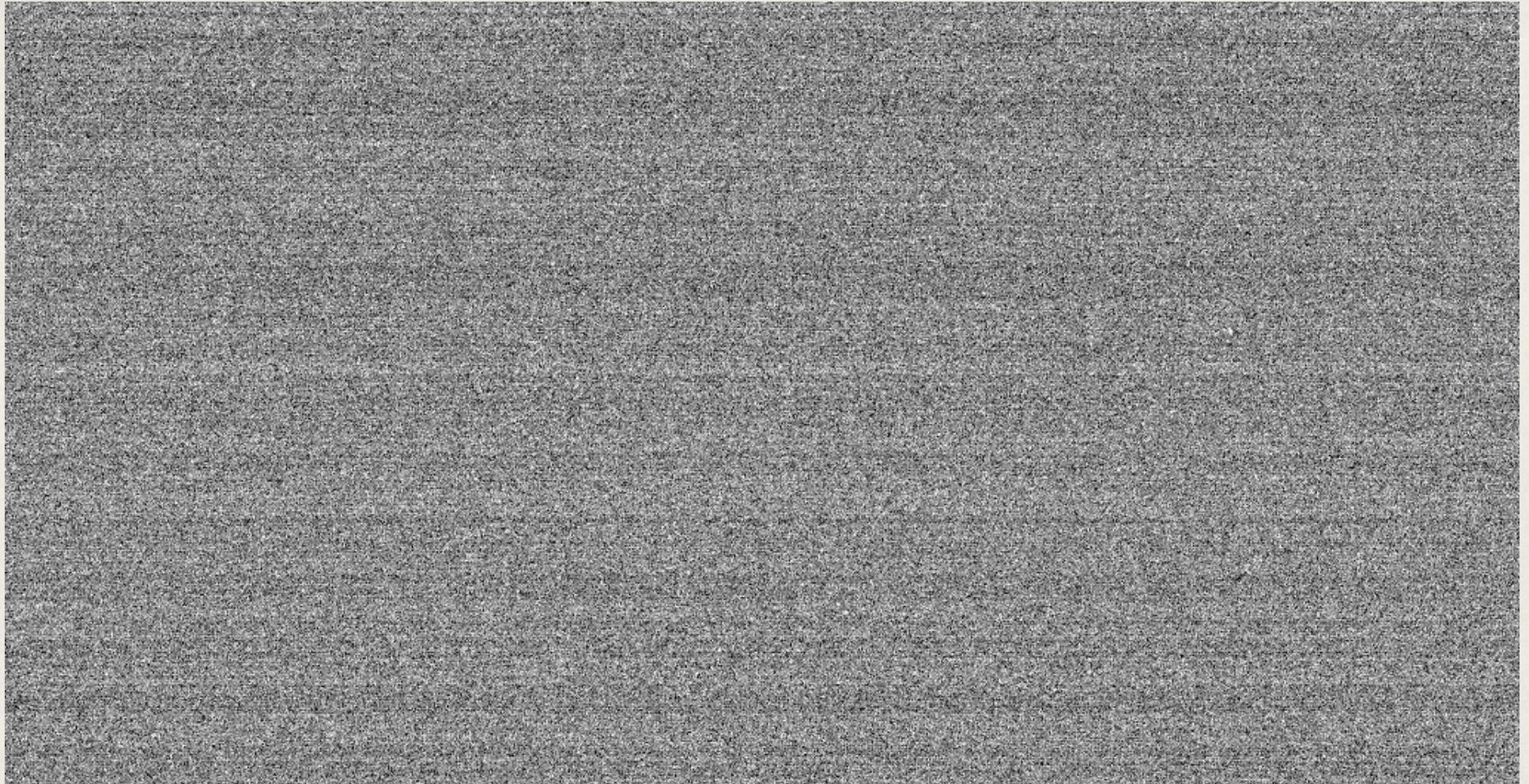
# Pixel map correction

Pixels with known incorrect behavior are replaced

# Additional Fixed-Pattern Noise

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- ❖ **Correlated Double Sampling (CDS):**
  - ❖ Bias subtraction unnecessary
  - ❖ Bias automatically removed during image acquisition
- ❖ **Double Sampling (DS):**
  - ❖ Bias must be indirectly measured
  - ❖ Bias-subtraction implemented for DS images



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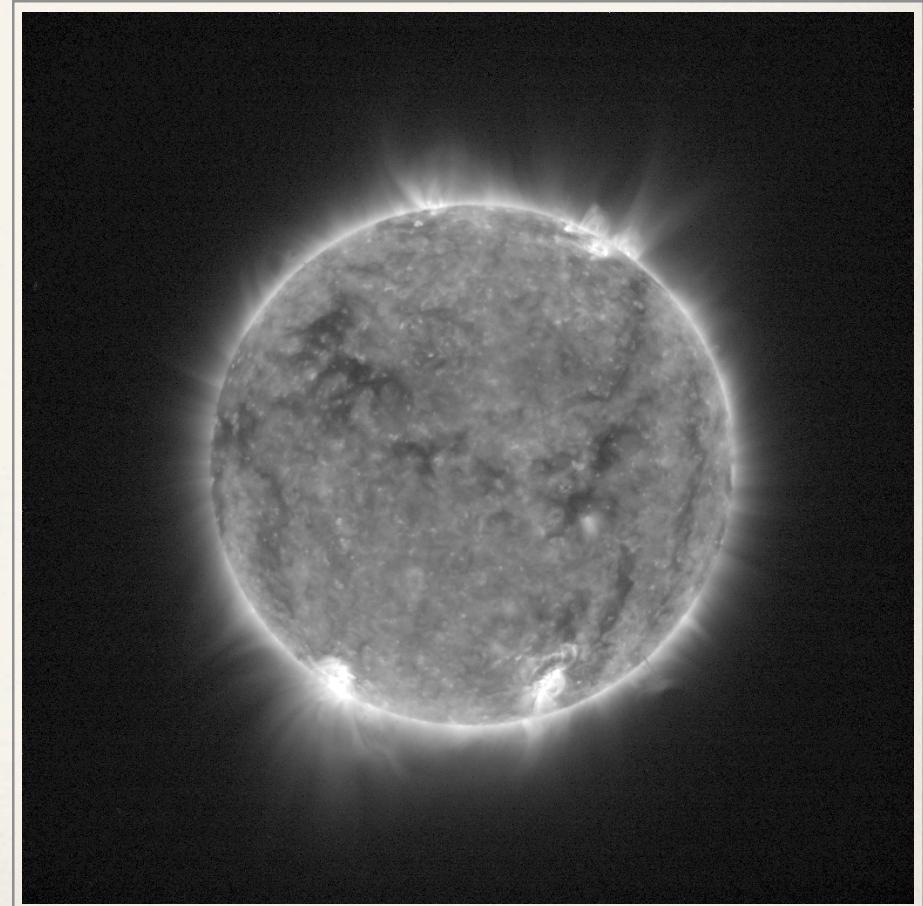
Faint horizontal stripes remain after dark subtraction

# Image Alignment & Scaling

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## Telescope Effects

1. Spacecraft-Ecliptic Alignment
2. Sun Centering
3. Spacecraft Roll
4. Non-isotropic Pixel Scale

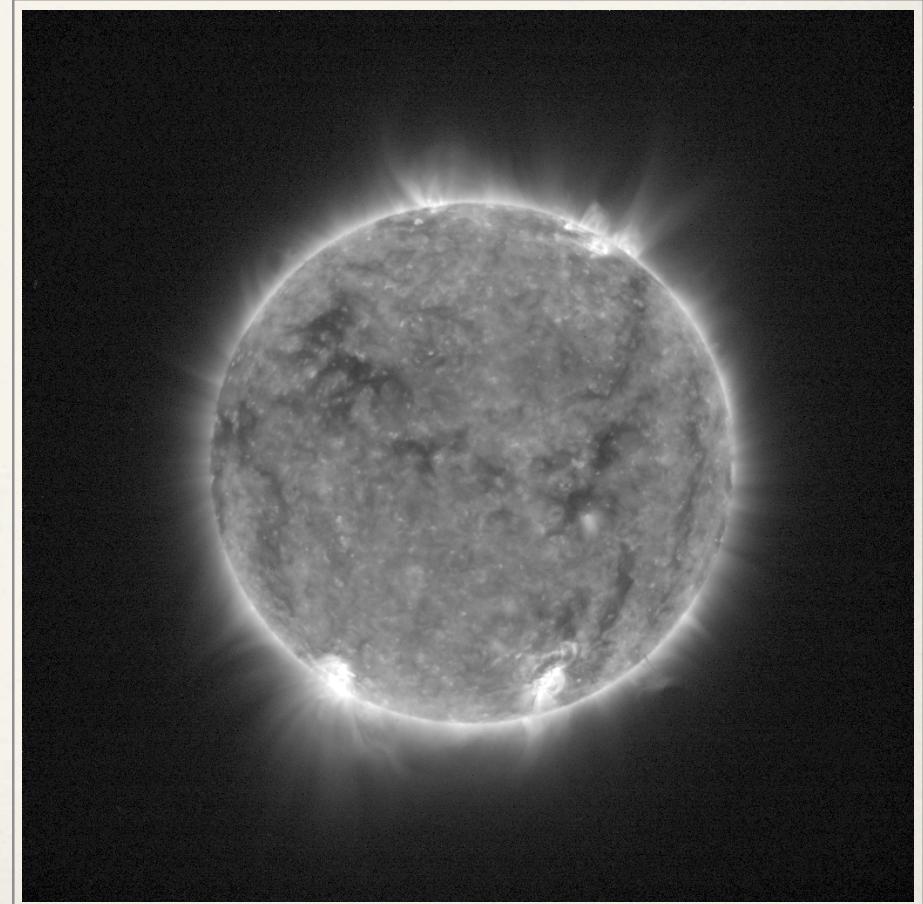


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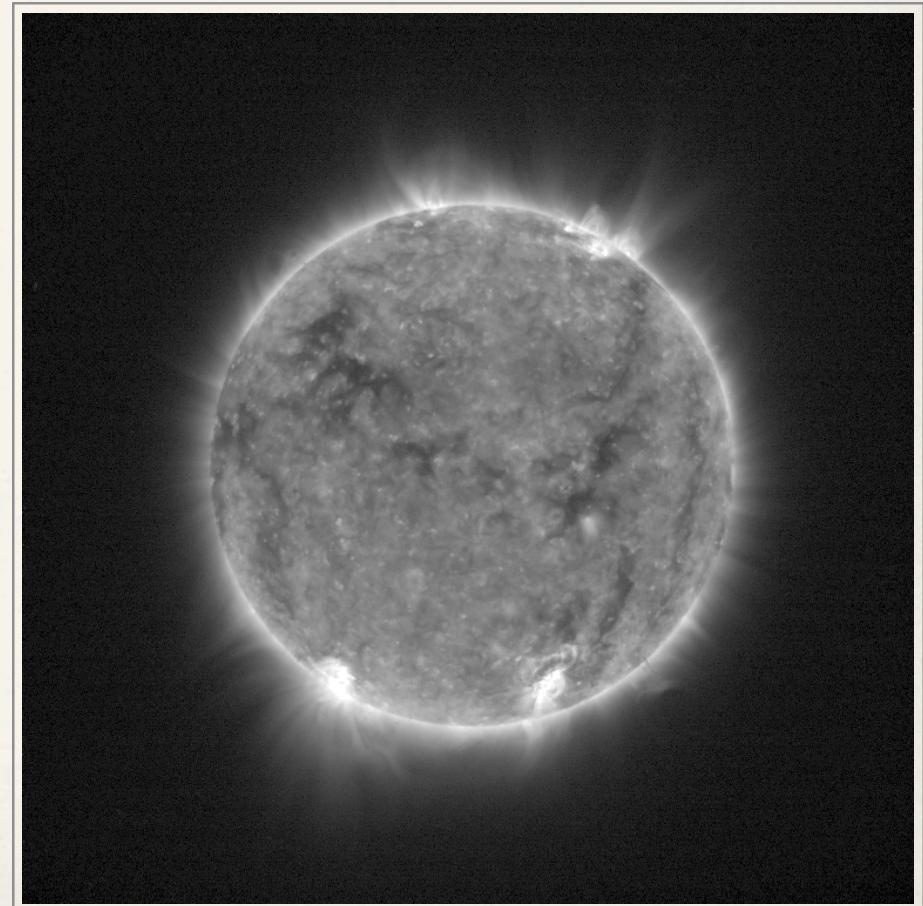


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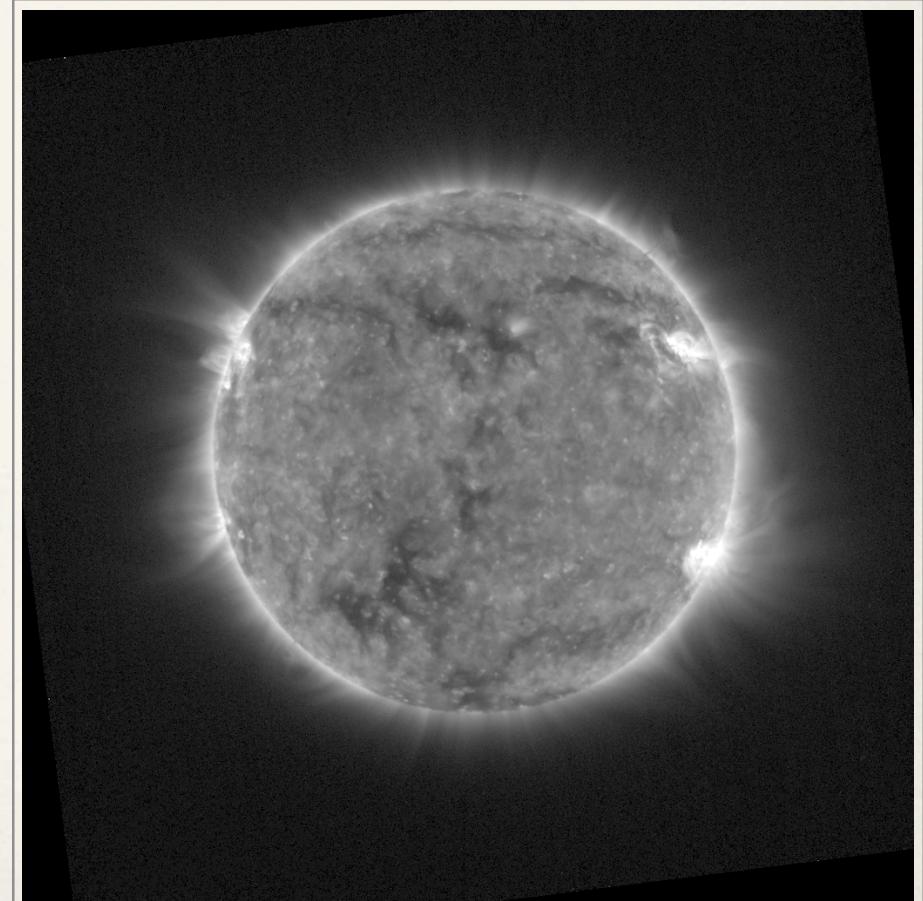


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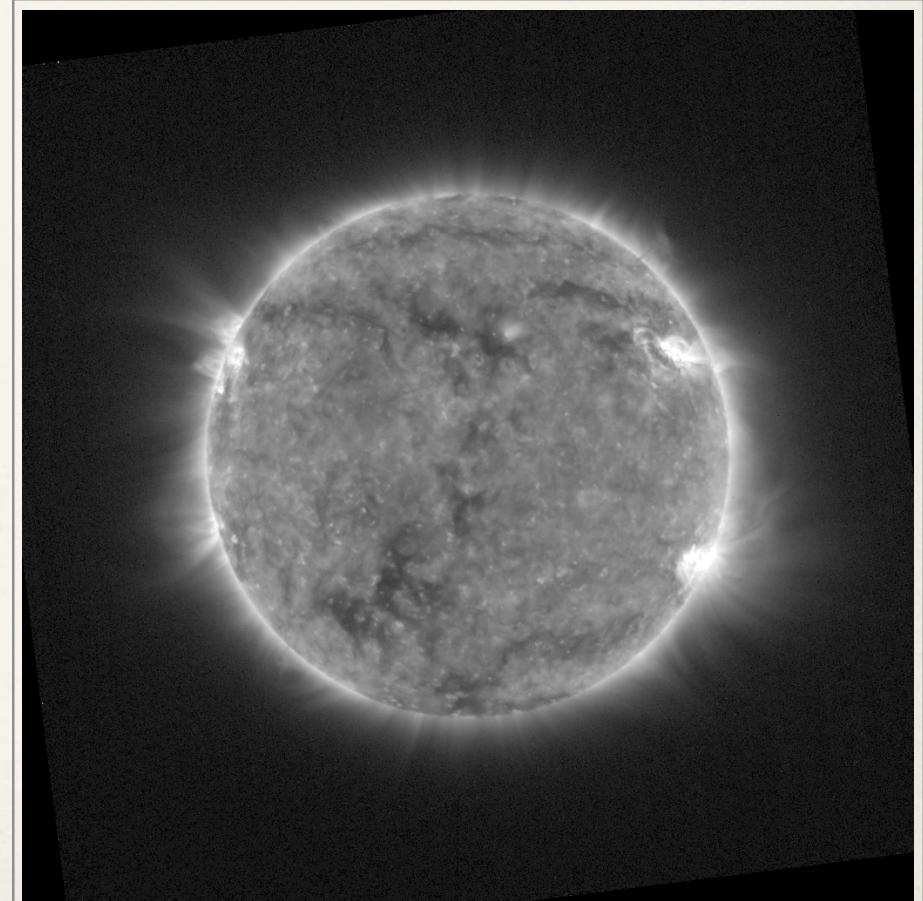


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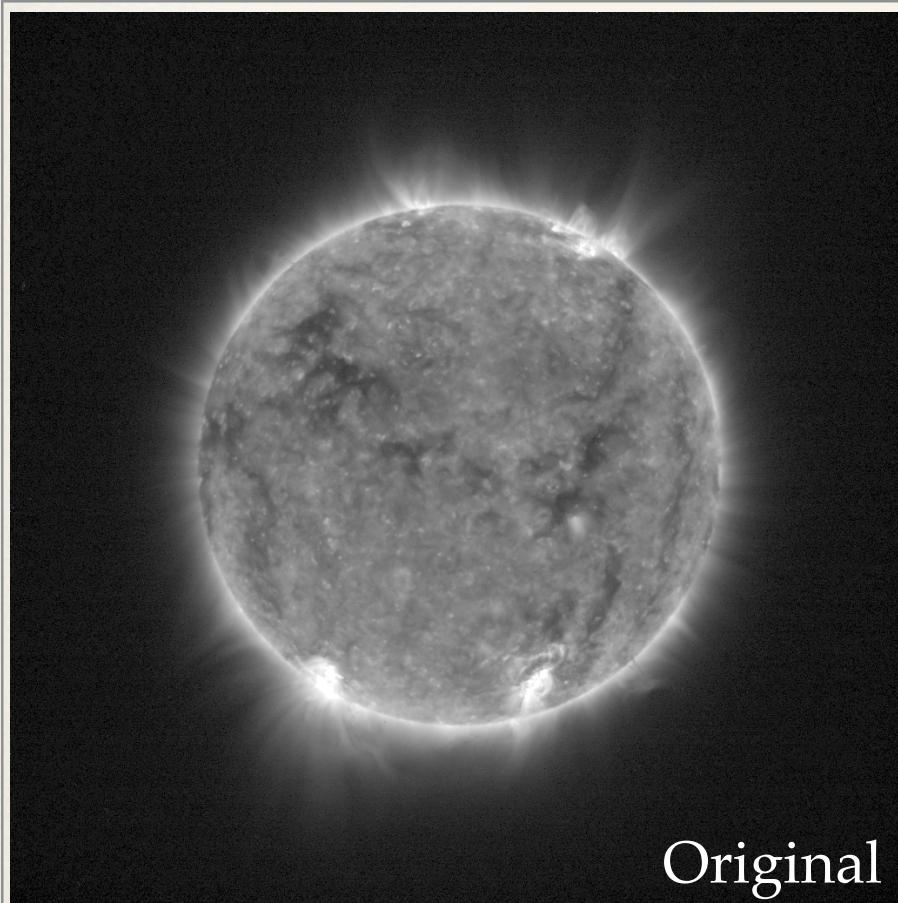
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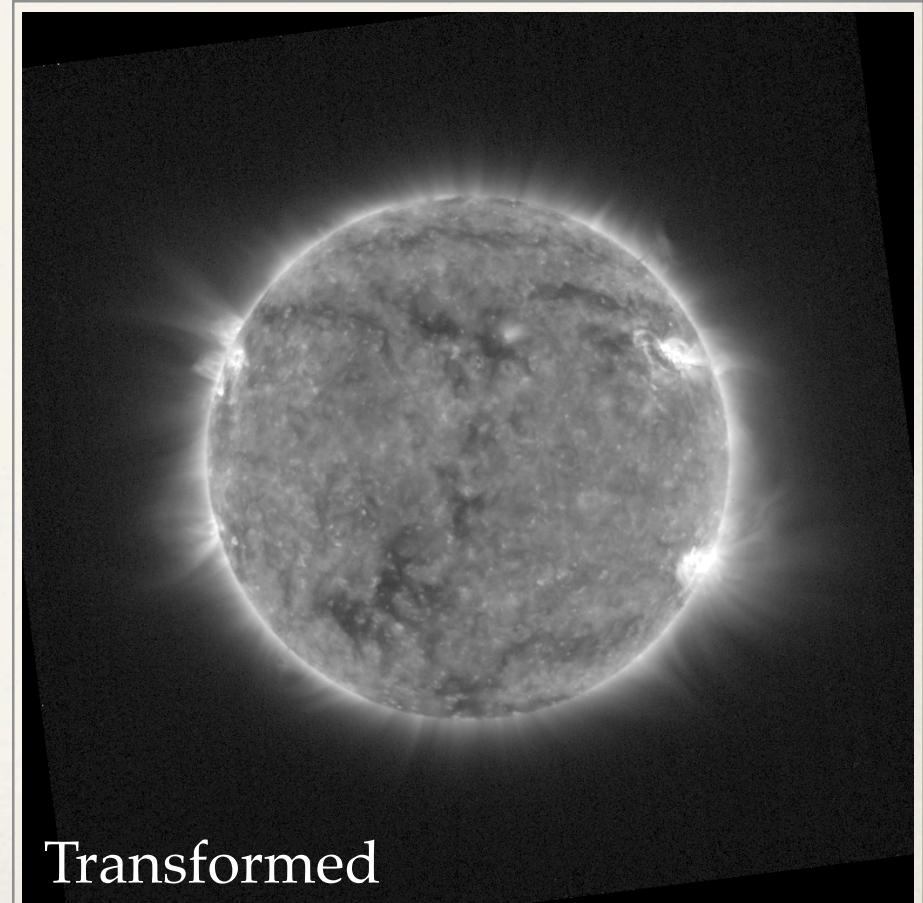


# Image Alignment & Scaling

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Original



Transformed

# Outstanding Issues

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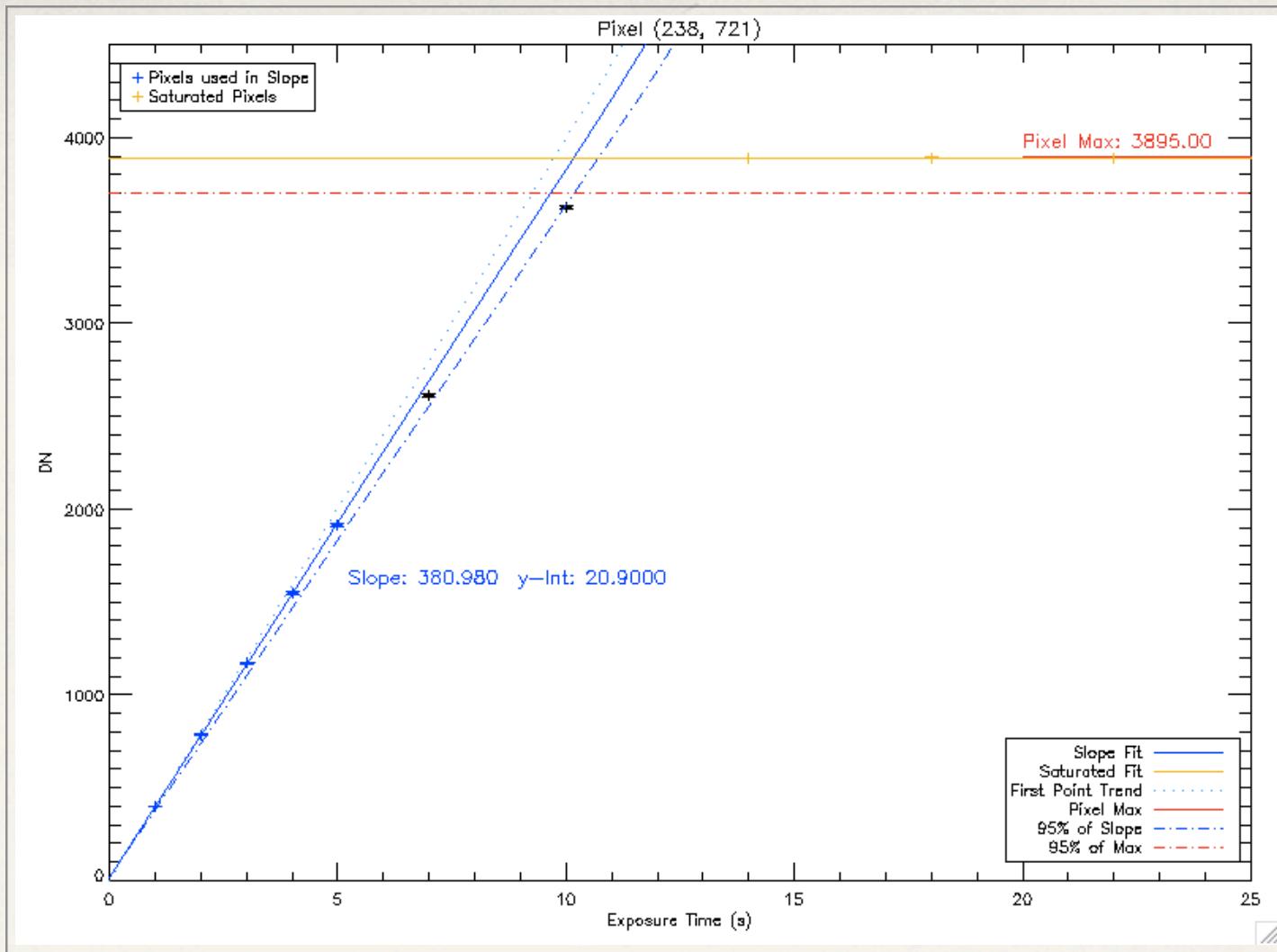
# Flat-Field Correction

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Flat-field correction will address:

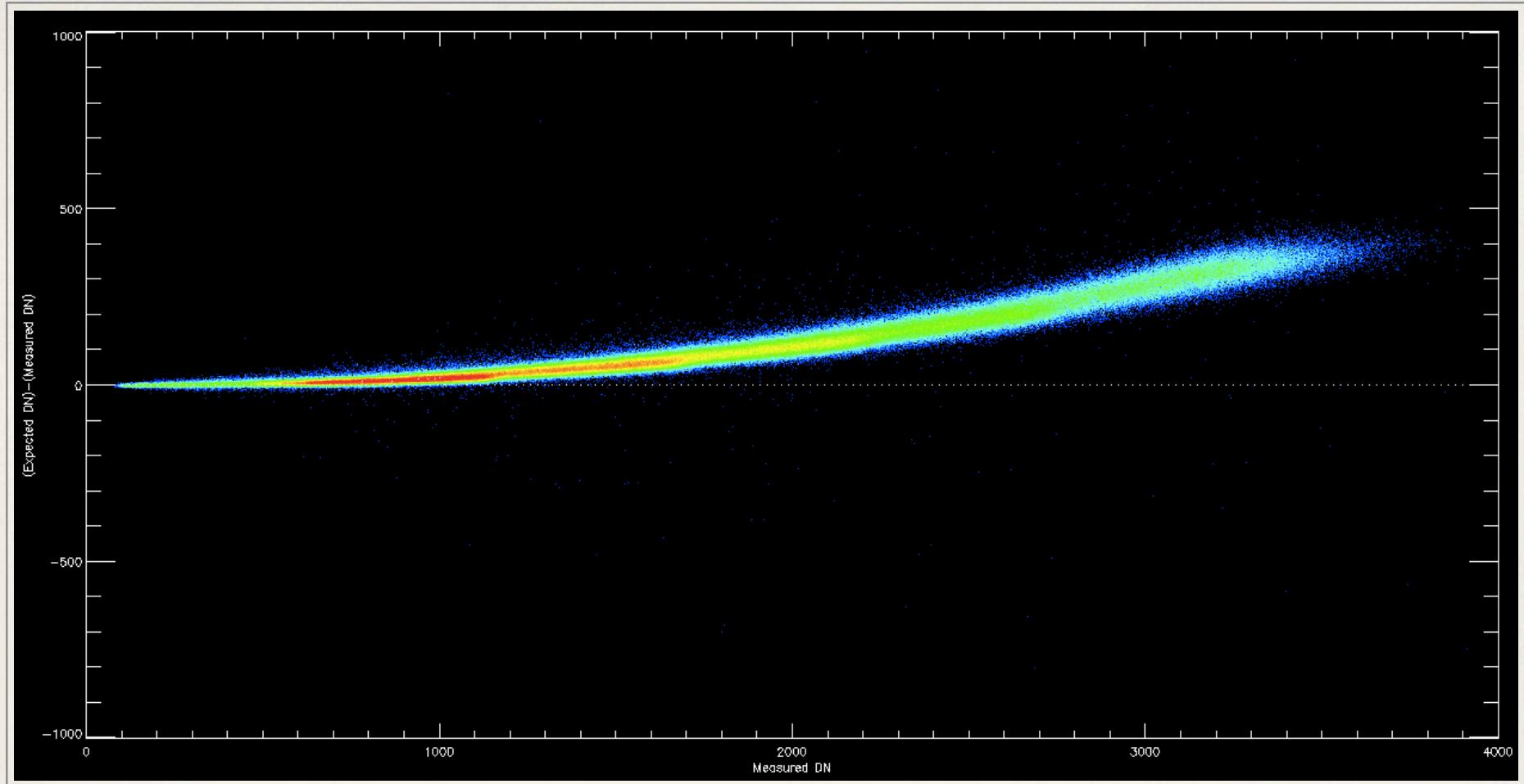
- ❖ Pixel-to-pixel variations
- ❖ Vignetting
- ❖ Other optical issues





# Linearity

Detector response is linear to within 5%

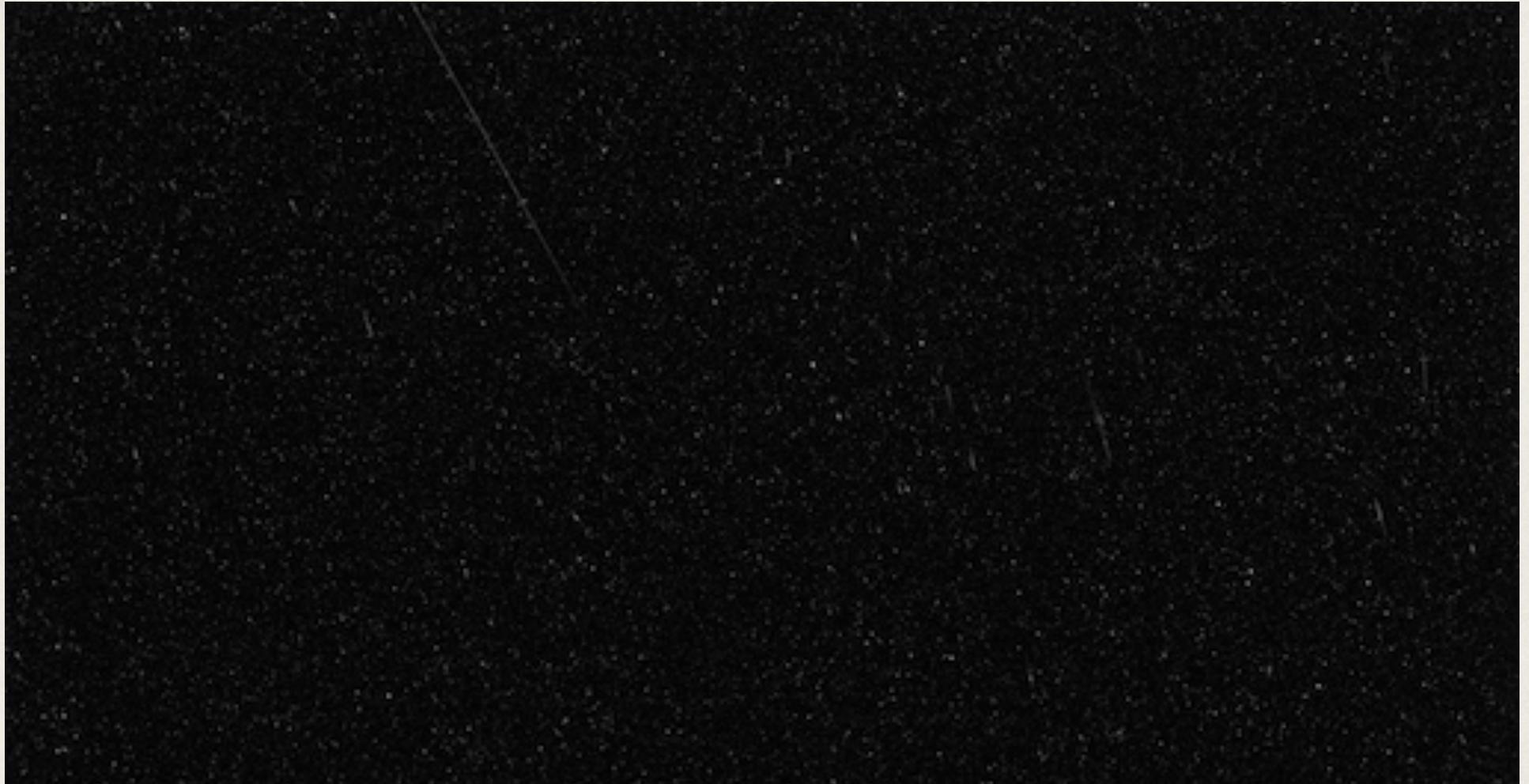


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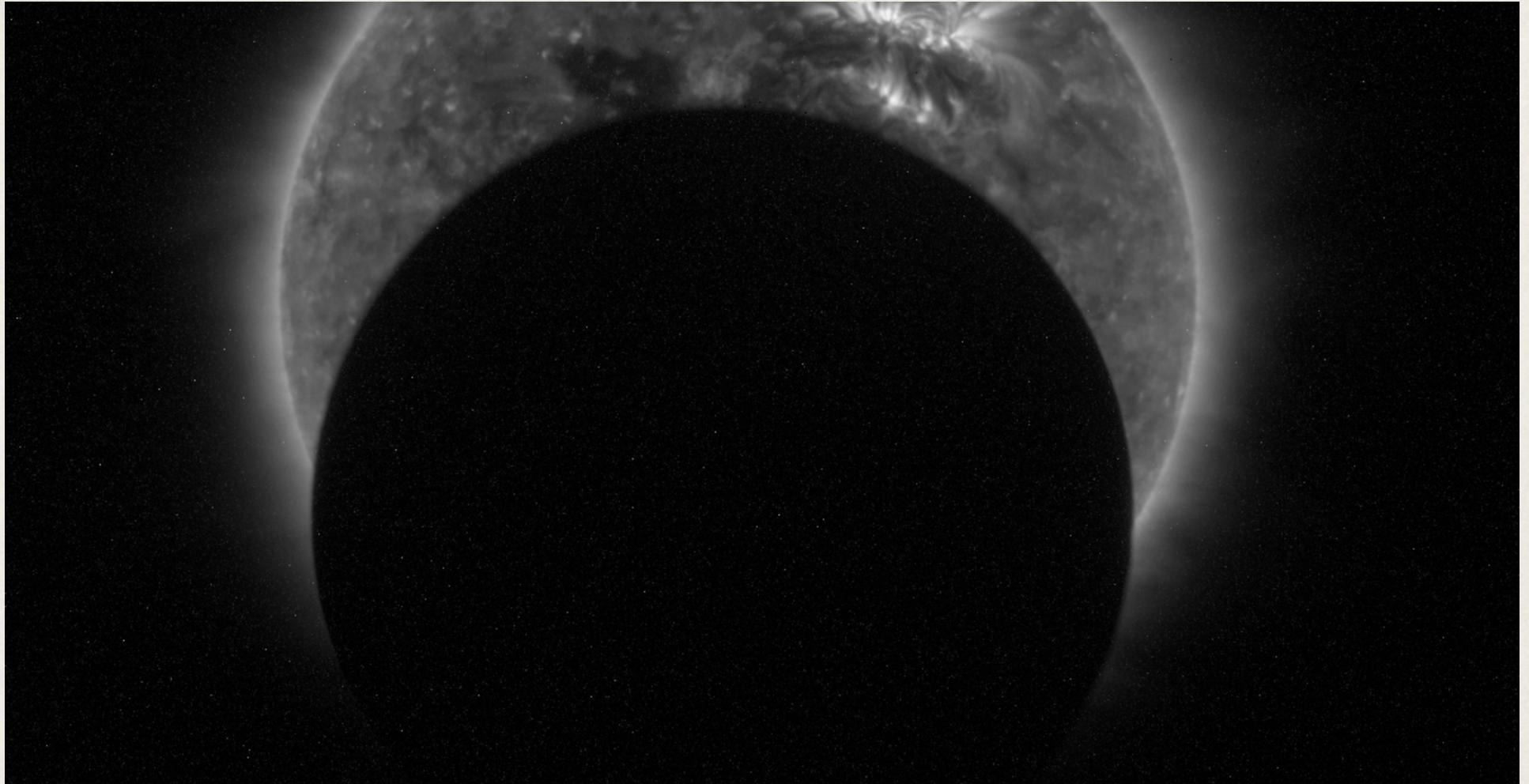
# Other Image Properties

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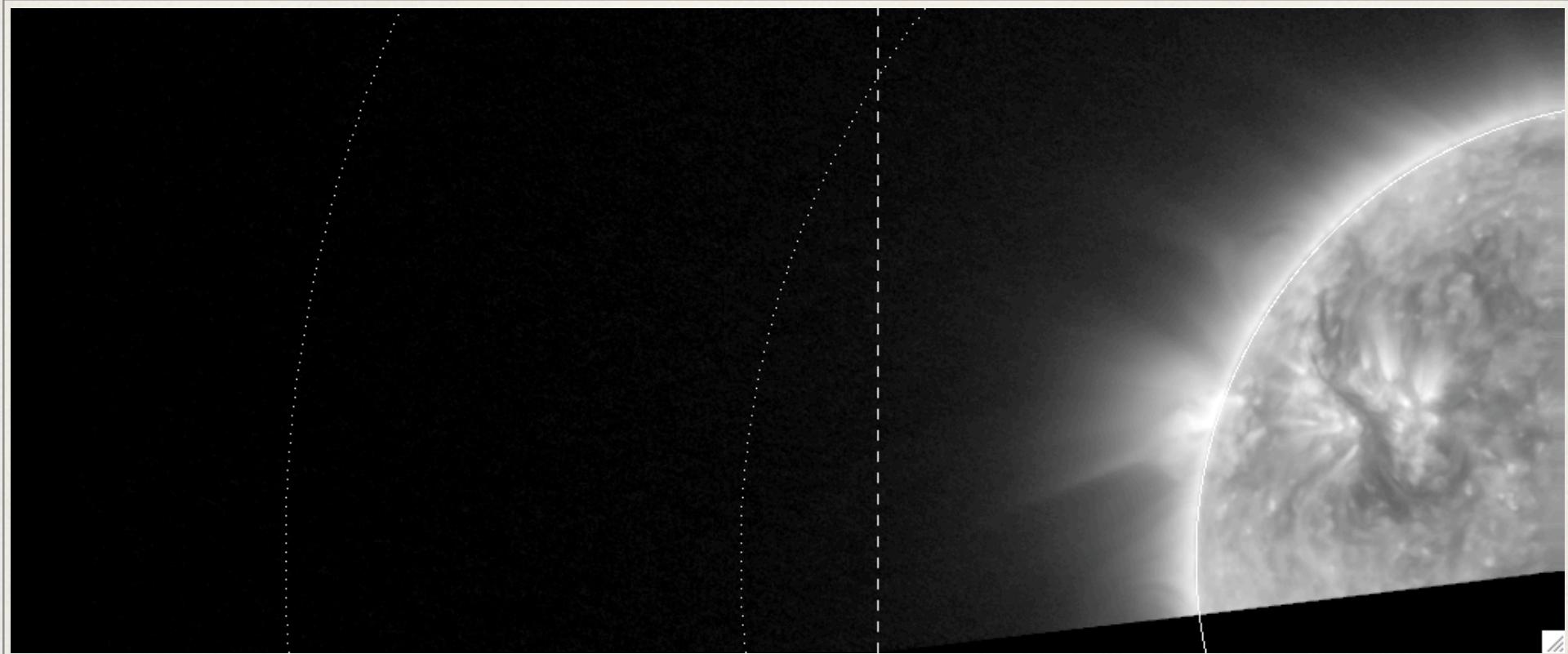
# Radiation Effects

Additional noise can come from the South Atlantic Anomaly, Solar Wind & Shocks, etc.



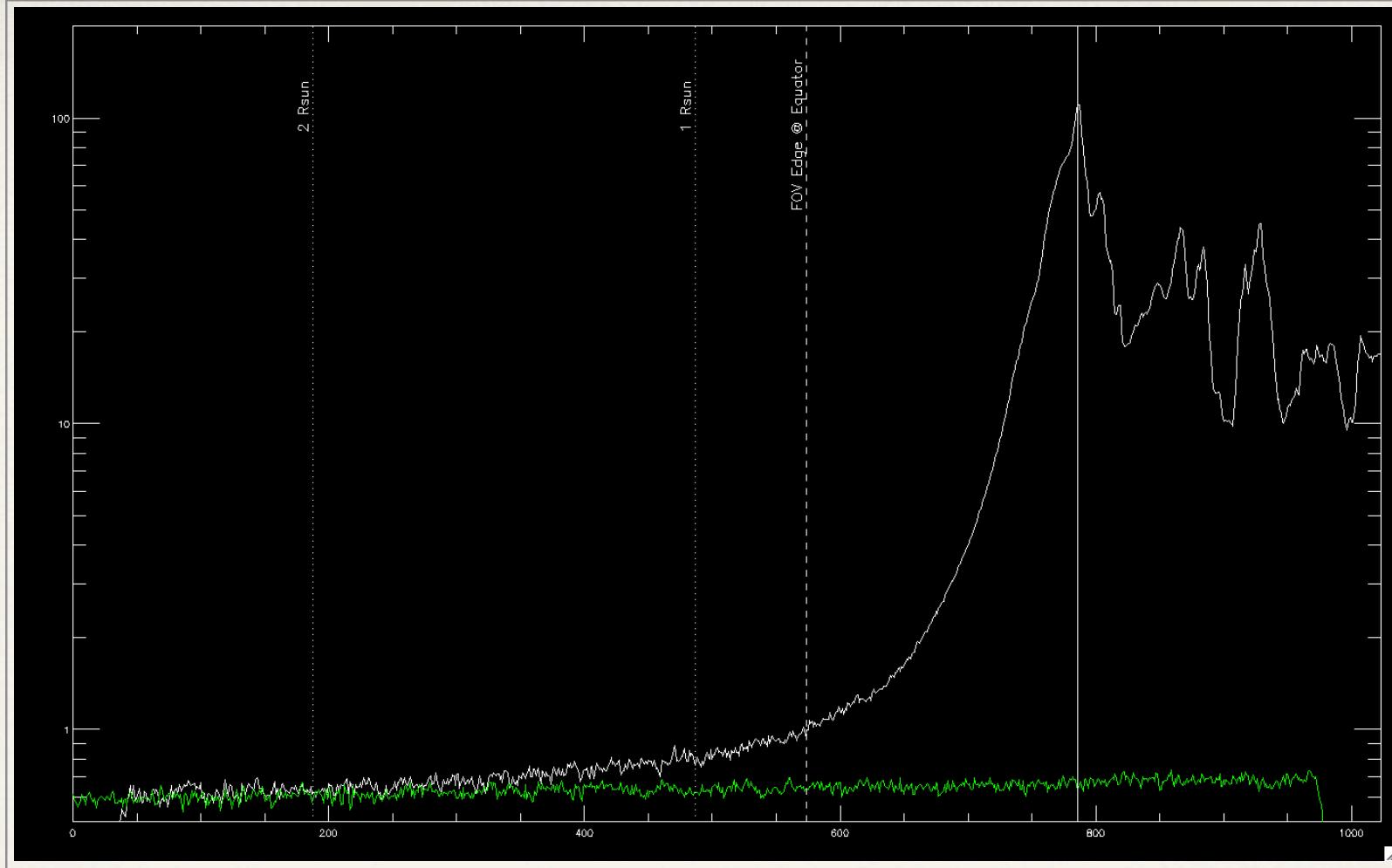
# Stray Light

Some measurements made, eclipse images can provide additional data



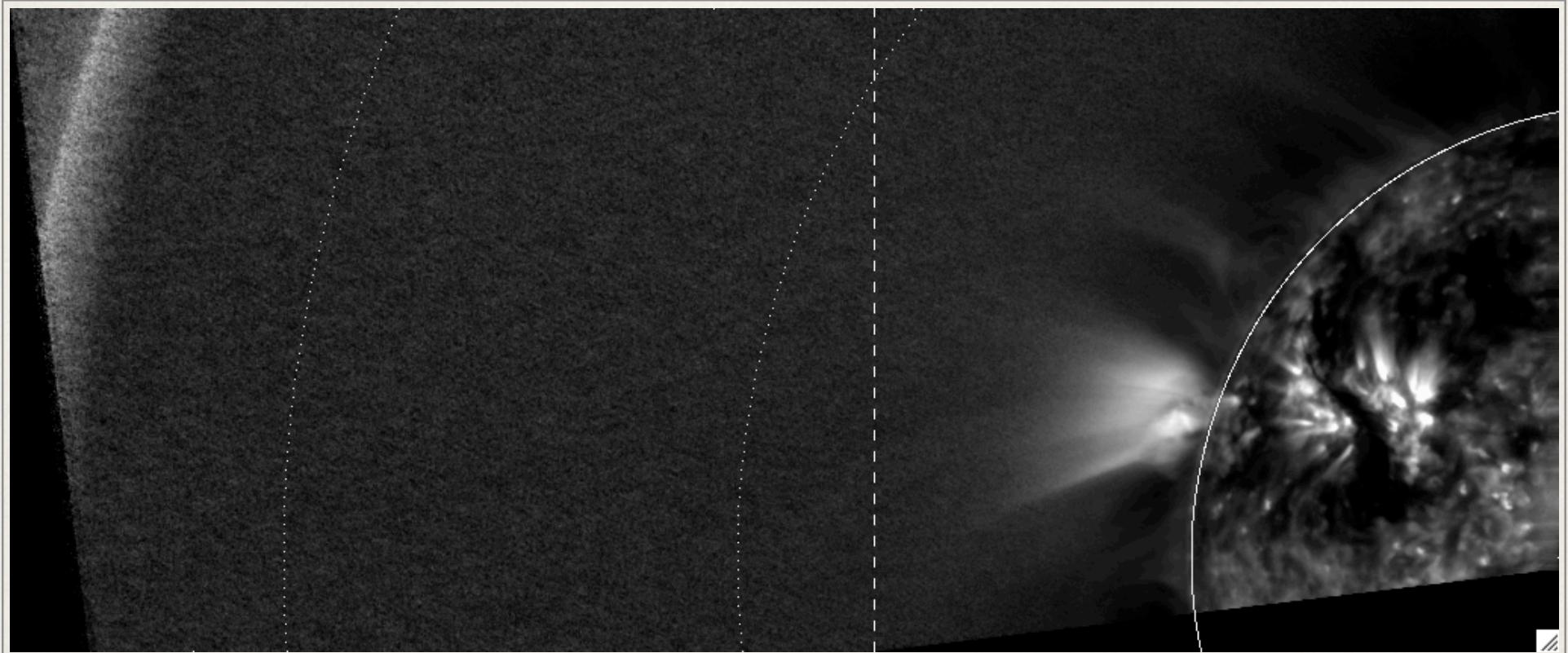
# Off-pointed images

Signal is present at distances at least  $1.5 R_{\text{sun}}$  above the limb



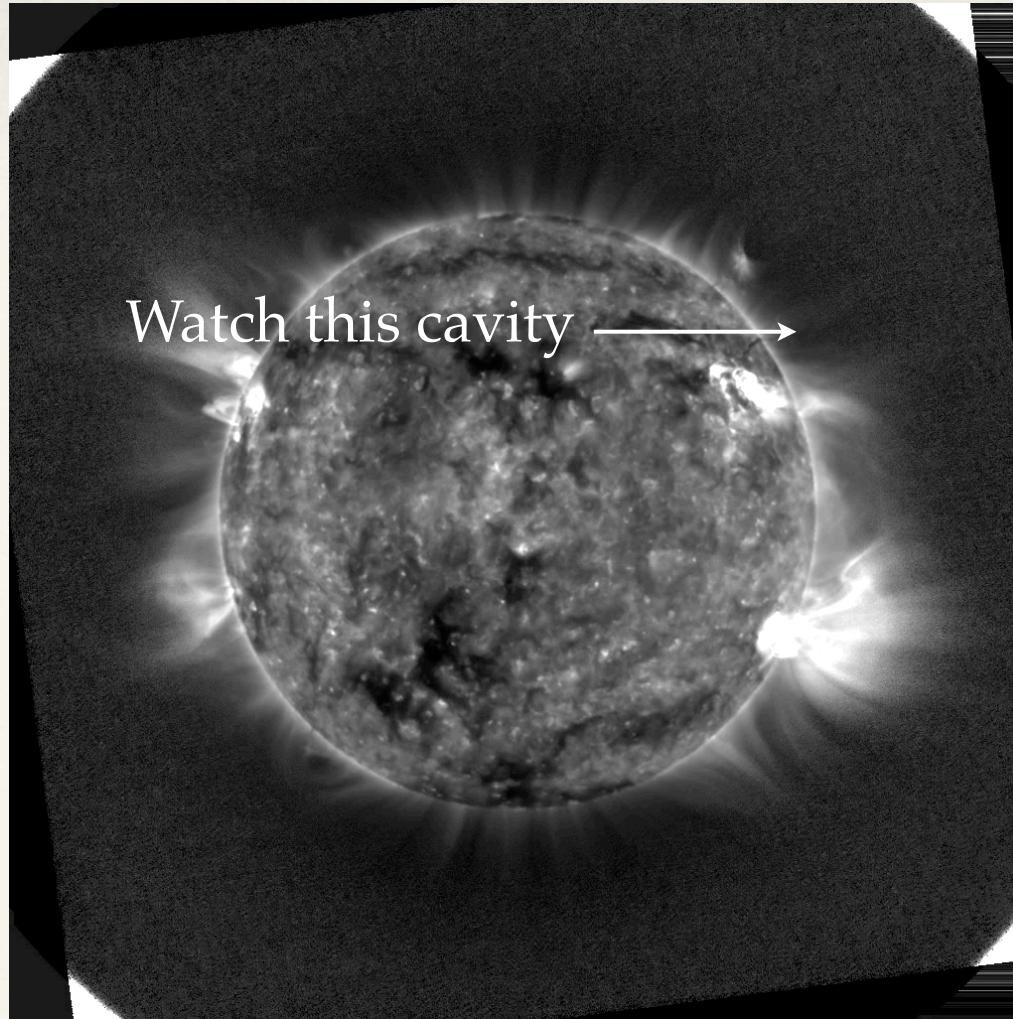
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Under current quiet conditions, few features extend above 1  $R_{\text{sun}}$

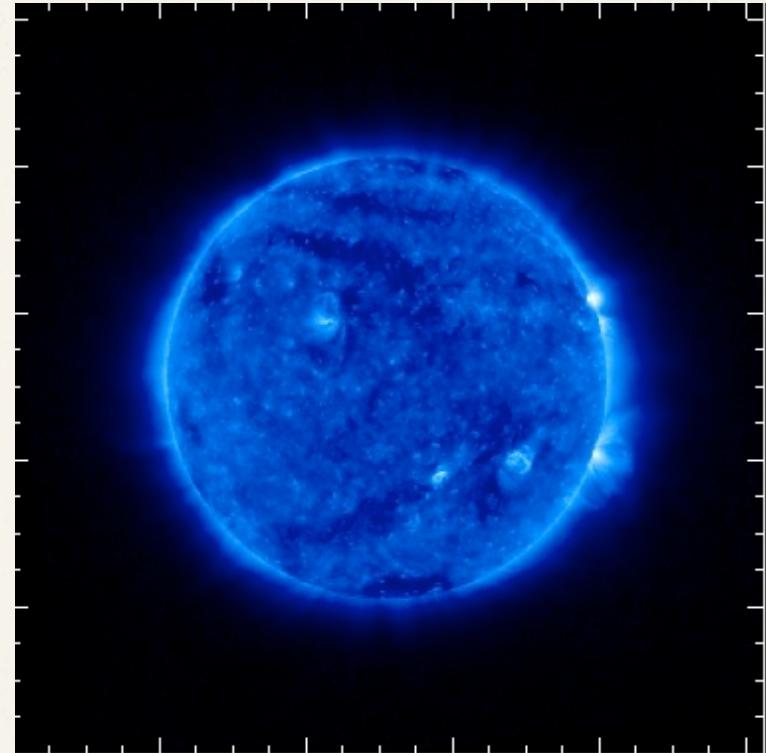
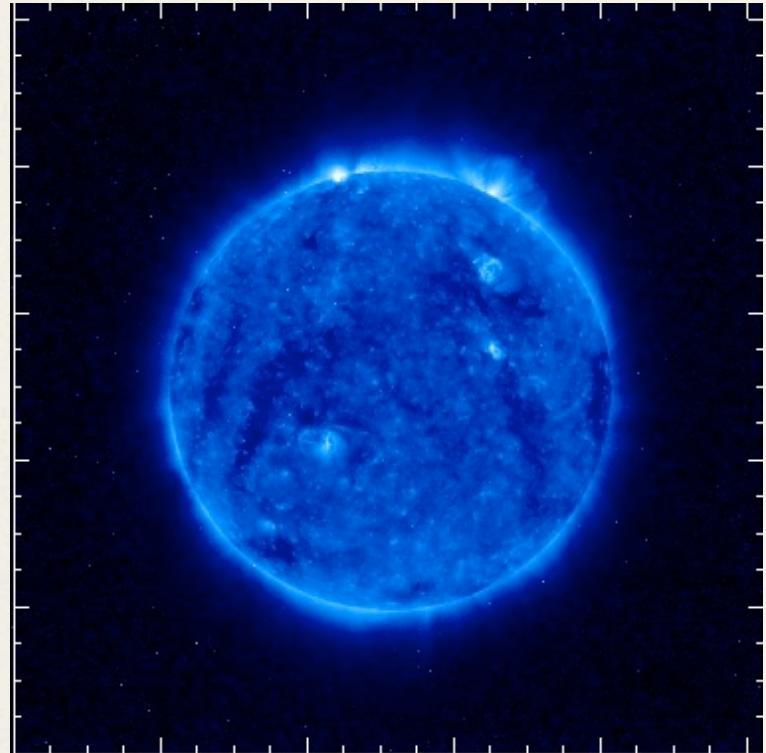


# Off-limb signal

Prominence Cavity Eruption - 13 June 2010, UT 03:00:00-10:00:00

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# SWAP Calibration Software

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# Getting Calibration Software

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- Requires recent SSWIDL 'gen' update
  - IDL> `ssw_upgrade, /swap, /spawn, /loud`
- Fetches the following SSWIDL directories for SWAP
  - `$SSW/proba2/swap/caldb/` (calibration database: e.g., darks, flats, pixel maps)
  - `$SSW/proba2/swap/doc/` (documentation: e.g., instrument paper)
  - `$SSW/proba2/swap/idl/objects/` (visualization and analysis software)
  - `$SSW/proba2/swap/idl/prep/` (calibration software)
  - `$SSW/proba2/swap/resp/` (instrument response data)
  - `$SSW/proba2/swap/setup/` (instrument-specific IDL setup scripts)

# Running Calibration Software

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- ❖ **Dual-use code**
  - ❖ P2SC automated pipeline (high-level info- and error- status reporting)
  - ❖ end-user scientists (reduced content optional reporting)
- ❖ **Handles single files or filelists**
  - ❖ IDL> `Infils = FILE_SEARCH( '/data/swap/swap_lv0_*.fits' )`
  - ❖ IDL> `P2SW_PREP, Infils, Index_out, Image_out`
- ❖ **Some redundant keywords for end-users**
  - ❖ all options explained in detailed IDL routine description text

# Calibration Steps and Options I

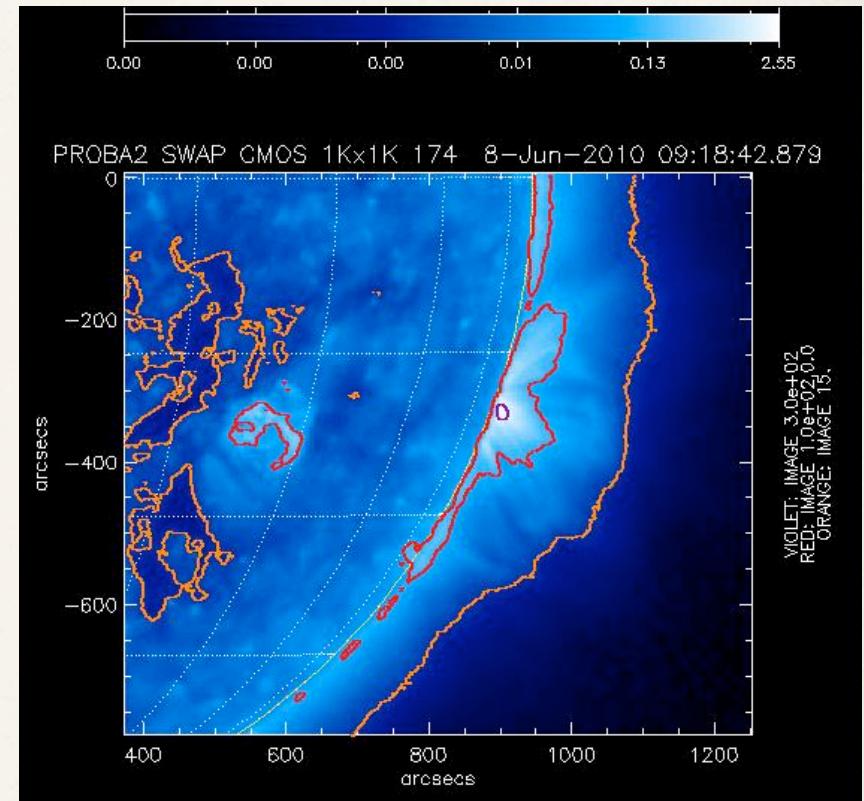
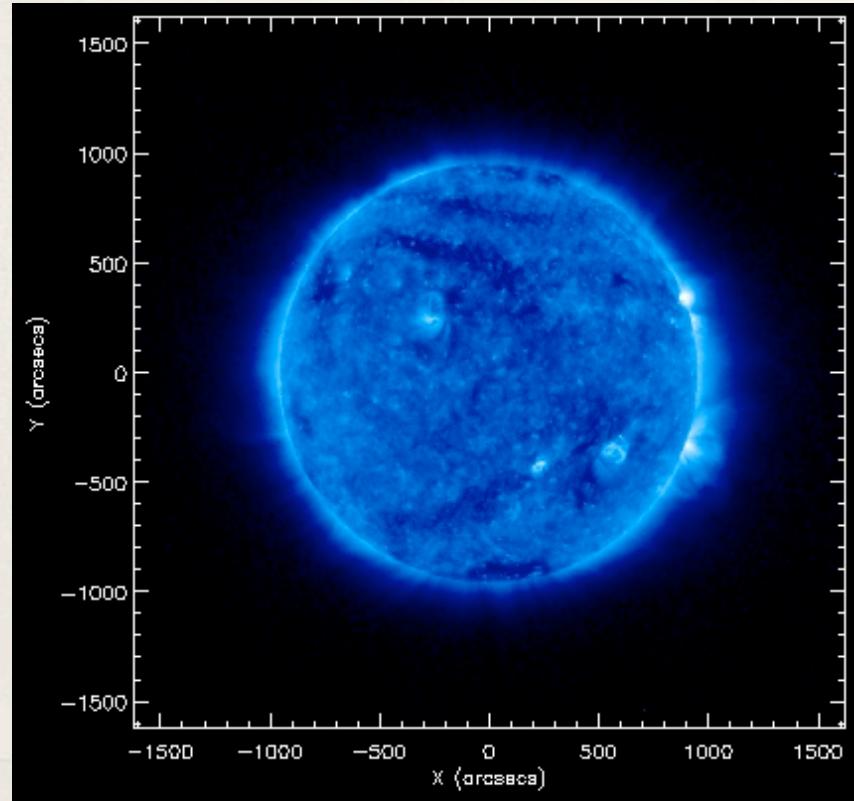
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1. Information passing to terminal (optional on-switch: /VERBOSE)
2. FITS validity
3. Filename conformity (optional on-switch: /NAME\_CHK)
4. FITS checksum test
5. FITS header conformity
6. Reinstate pixels x2/x4 onboard (optional off-switch: /NO\_PMCDIV)
7. Reinstate pixels identified as cosmic rays onboard (optional off-switch: /NO\_PIXREP)
8. Saturated pixel replacement
9. Dark current subtraction (optional off-switch: /NO\_DARK)

# Calibration Steps and Options II

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10. Replace pixels not read out onboard (optional off-switch: /NO\_PMCREP)
11. Flat-field correction (optional off-switch: /NO\_FLAT)
12. Image despiking (optional on-switch and threshold level: /DESPIKE, SPIKE\_SIG=6)
13. Sun centering, pixel rescaling, and rotation (optional master and individual off-switches)
14. Time normalization (optional on-switch: /NORMALIZE)
15. Retention of floating-point precision images (optional on-switch: /FLOAT)
16. Retention of all index headers and images in data cube (optional off-switch: /NO\_CUBE)
17. Individual FITS writing (optional on-switch and location: /OUTFITS, OUTDIR=CURDIR())
18. Error checking procedure halt (optional on-switch: /DEBUG)



# SWAP Visualization Software

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# Concept for Visualization and Analysis Software

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- ❖ Object-oriented software package
  - ❖ object definition and configuration codes in \$SSW/proba2/swap/idl/objects/
  - ❖ inherits framework and object functionality from \$SSW/gen/
- ❖ Fully configurable
  - ❖ customized session-to-session defaults in SWAP\_OBJ\_CONFIG.PRO
  - ❖ specific changes within an object's lifetime are remembered
- ❖ Website tutorial for the SWAP object (<http://www.solarmonitor.org/objects/swap/> )

# Running Visualization and Analysis Software

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- ❖ Create object
  - ❖ IDL> swap = OBJ\_NEW( 'swap' )
- ❖ Set data level, prepping required, and data source
  - ❖ IDL> swap -> SET, FILTER = 'lv1', PREP = 0, LOCAL = 1 ; Level-1, no prepping, from local hard disk
  - ❖ IDL> swap -> SET, FILTER = 'lv0', PREP = 1, LOCAL = 0 ; Level-0, to be prepped, from remote server
- ❖ List full-path filenames (local = 1, filesystem path; local = 0, http address)
  - ❖ IDL> flist = swap -> LIST( TIMERANGE = ['8-Jun-2010 08:15:00', '8-Jun-2010 09:00:00'] )
- ❖ Copy files, read into IDL, and plot image
  - ❖ IDL> swap -> COPY, FILELIST = flist[ 0:10 ] ; only if local = 0
  - ❖ IDL> swap -> READ, FILELIST = flist[ 0:10 ] ; includes run through P2SW\_PREP if PREP = 1
  - ❖ IDL> swap -> PLOT, FILELIST = flist[0] ; or just run this line, object knows to copy and read data

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# P2SW\_PREP Calibration Steps

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- FITS files checked for suitability (checksum, header content; optional name check)
- Pixels modified onboard reinstated and corrected (optional off-switches)
- Standard calibration steps (saturation, darks, flats; optional off-switches)
- Image optionally despiked using local-pixel statistics (optional threshold level)
- Image transformed (sun centered, rescaled pixels, rotated to solar North up; optional off-switches)
- Final image options applied (integer/float, IDL data cube, FITS writing)