



Preprocessing PACS photometer timelines for map-making with MADmap

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MADmap in one slide

- Mapping code written by the Berkeley CMB group to remove $1/f$ noise from bolometers.
<http://newscenter.lbl.gov/feature-stories/2010/02/03/madmap/>
- MADmap was ported to Java for use in HIPE.
- MADmap offers the so-called optimal map-making to convert time ordered readouts to a final map.
 - Uses maximum likelihood (given a noise/probability model) to determine the optimal sky value.
- **Details in the next talk.**



The need for preprocessing.

- MADmap assumes that bolometer time-lines are relatively calibrated.
 - No pixel-to-pixel variations
- MADmap assumes that $1/f$ noise is uncorrelated amongst pixels.
- PACS Level 1 timelines contain all of the above.



Documentation Reference

- PACS data reduction guide, chapter 9
- NHSC Tutorials:
 - **PACS-101**: Introduction to PACS tutorials
 - **PACS-103**: Accessing & Storing PACS data
 - **PACS-104**: Using iPipe scripts
 - **PACS-201**: Level 0 to 1 processing of PACS photometer data
 - **PACS-401**: MADmap map-making.

<https://nhscsci.ipac.caltech.edu/sc/index.php/Pacs/DataProcessing>



Preprocessing Steps

- I. Remove pixel-to-pixel electronic offsets (additive).
- II. Remove correlated signal drift (additive).
- III. Identify and fix module/row/pixel anomalies.

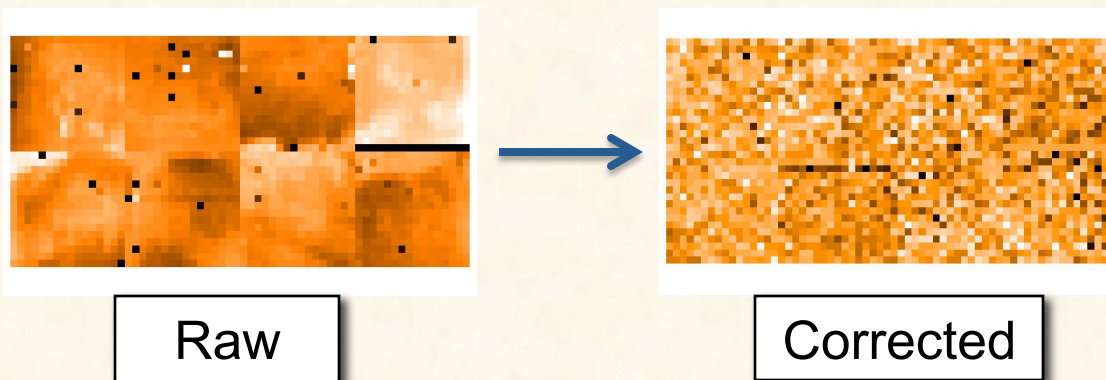


I: Pixel-to-pixel offsets

Additive correction

Electronic Offsets

- “Starting point” of the raw readout value for each pixel is different and additively offset.
- Usually, the offset pattern is the only visible structure in raw PACS readouts
- Correct by using calibration file, or median of the entire timeline for the pixel.



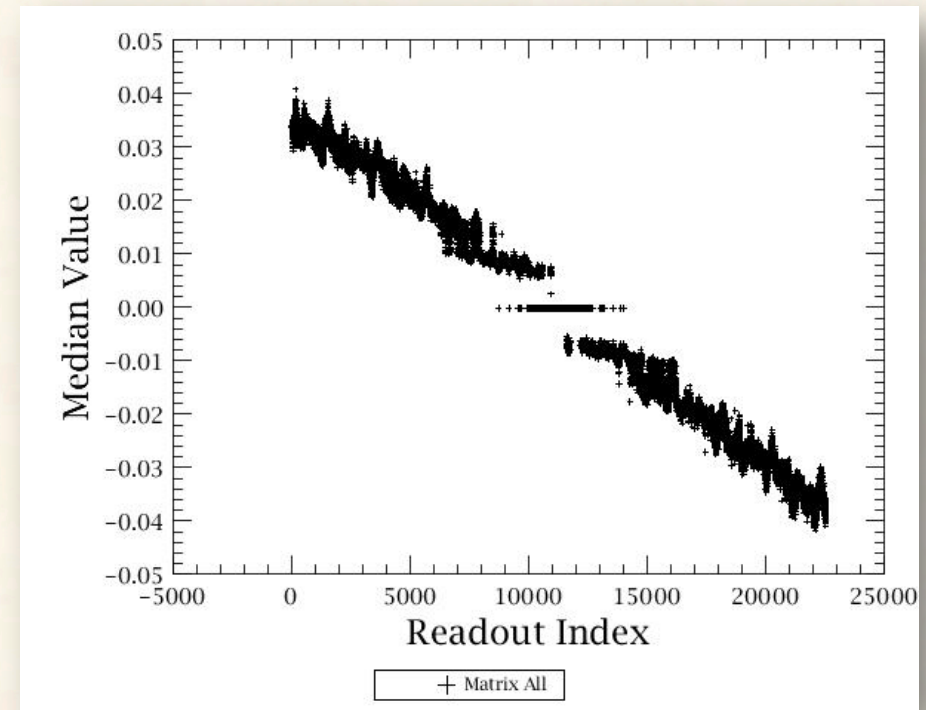


II: Correlated Signal Drift

Additive correction

Properties of Signal Drift

- The median value of the entire array shows a strong correlation with time.
- The trend is usually more dominant than astrophysical signal.



Median vs. Time

When present, this is the strongest trend in PACS cubes



Properties (cont.)

- No model has been identified (so far) to explain said behavior.
 - ***Caused by temperature variations?*** But, no thermometers available to confirm or reject.
 - ***Caused by electronics?*** But, not correlated with suspected Housekeeping values tried.
- The trend is strongest at the start of PACS OD and drifts to negligible values by the end of OD



Properties (cont.)

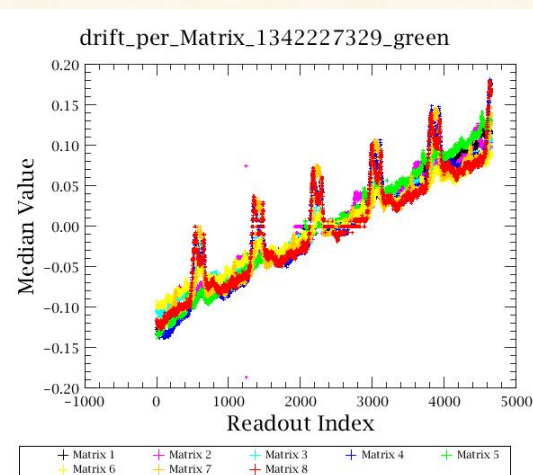
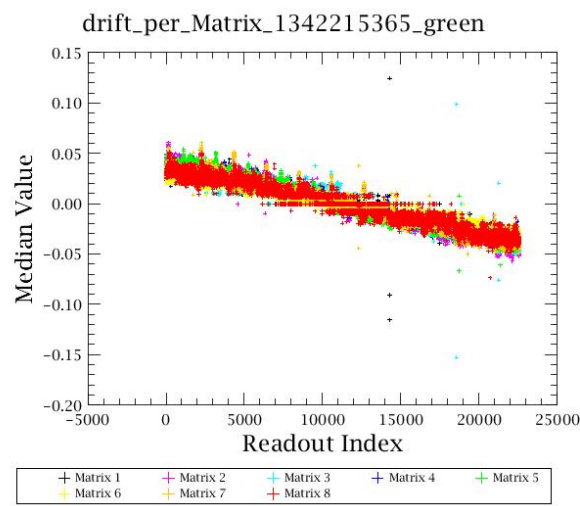
- The trend is also different from module to module.

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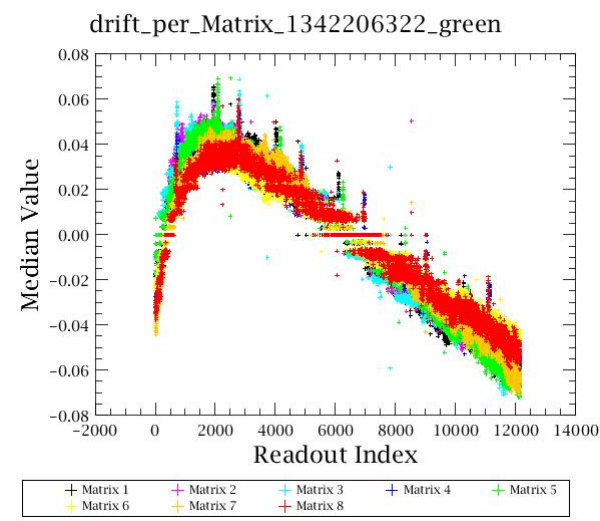
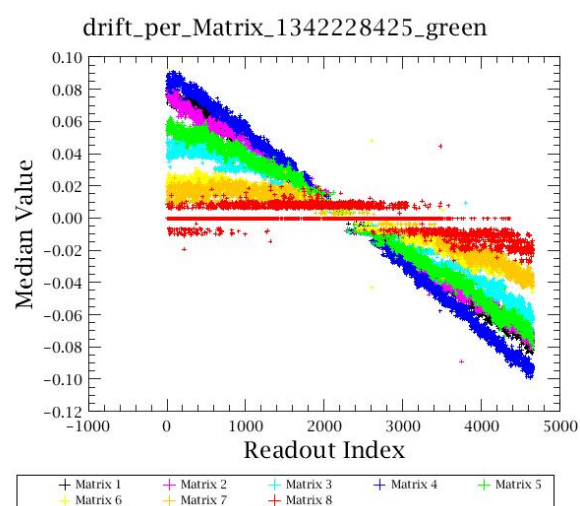
Examples of signal drift color coded by individual PACS 16x16 pixel modules

“Usual”



Rare.
Ascending

Strong
module-to-
module
differences



“Hook”



Properties (cont.)

- There is now evidence that individual pixels or groups of pixels have 2nd-order drifts on time scales larger than used for 1/f correction.
- Will require separate pre-processing
- Or, increased noise filters lengths

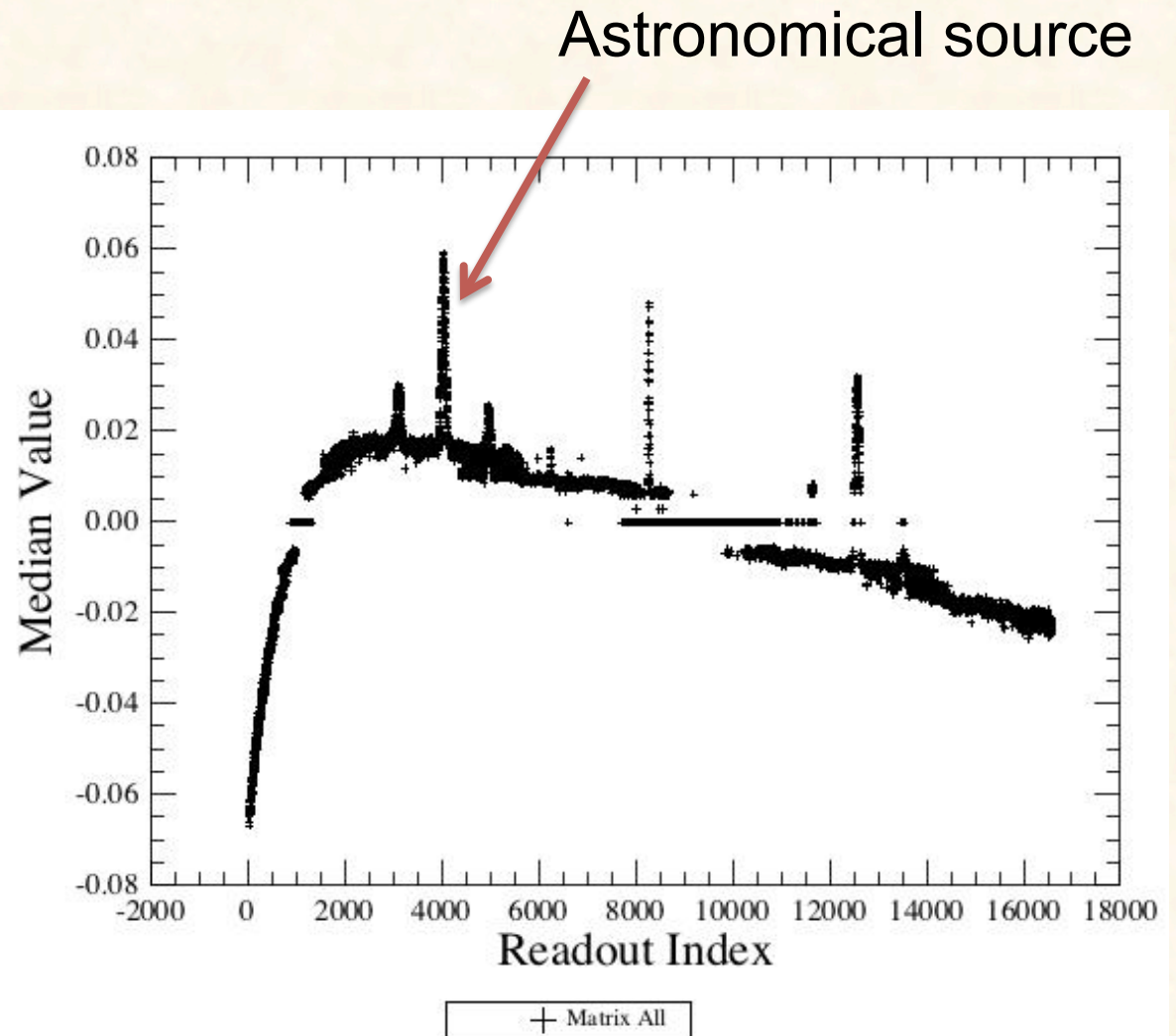


Correcting Signal Drift

- First step is to define the baseline.

Estimating Drift Baseline

Use MEDIAN
to pick up the
correlation.

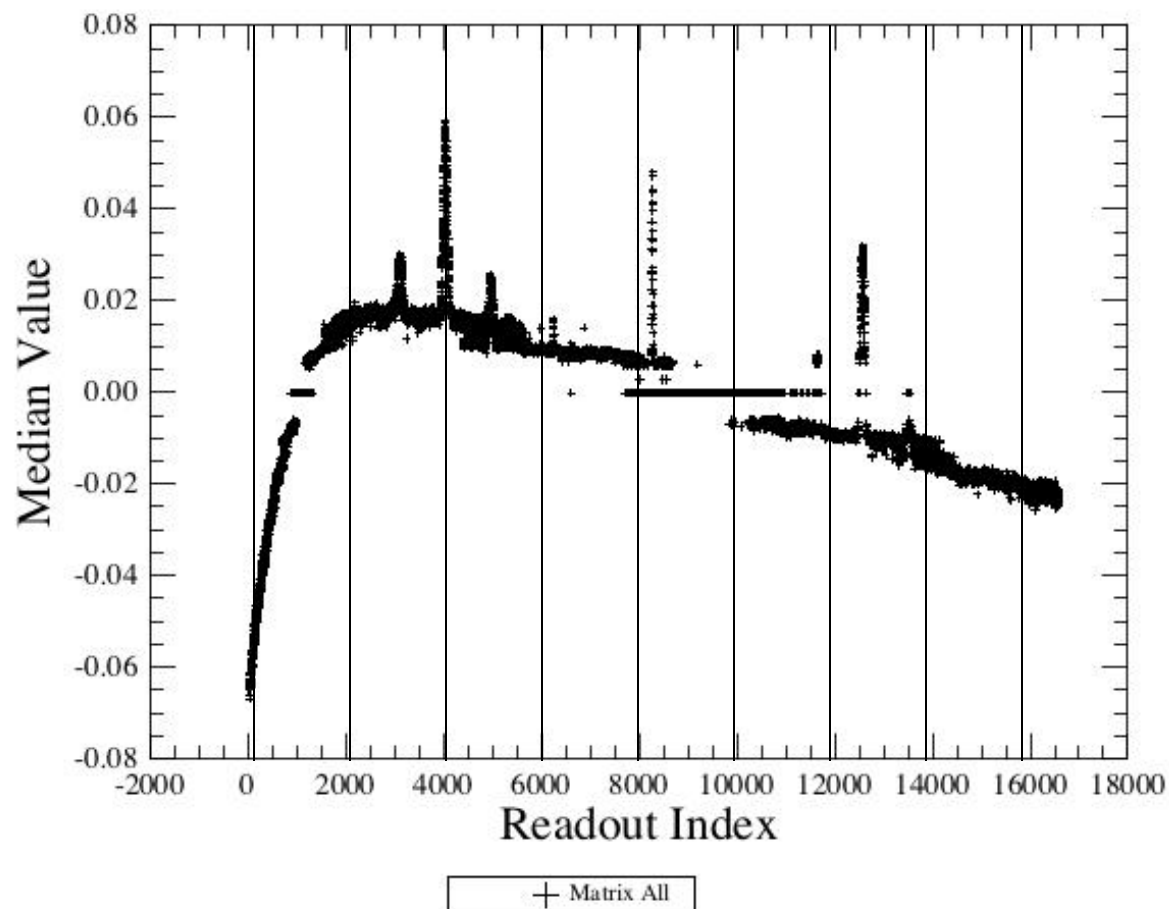




Estimating Drift Baseline

↔ Size of bin.

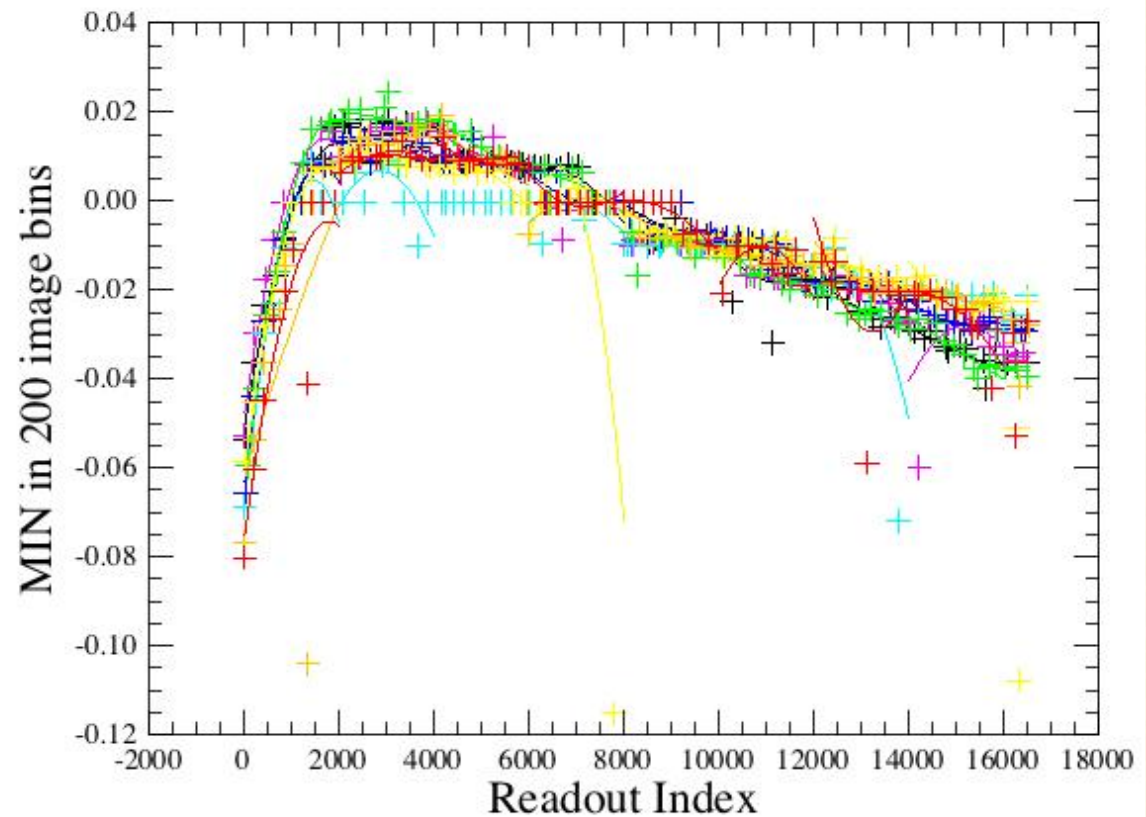
Divide
MEDIAN
values in
bins.





Estimating Drift baseline

Take
MINIMUM of
bins to
reject
sources.
Fit
MINIMUM
values.





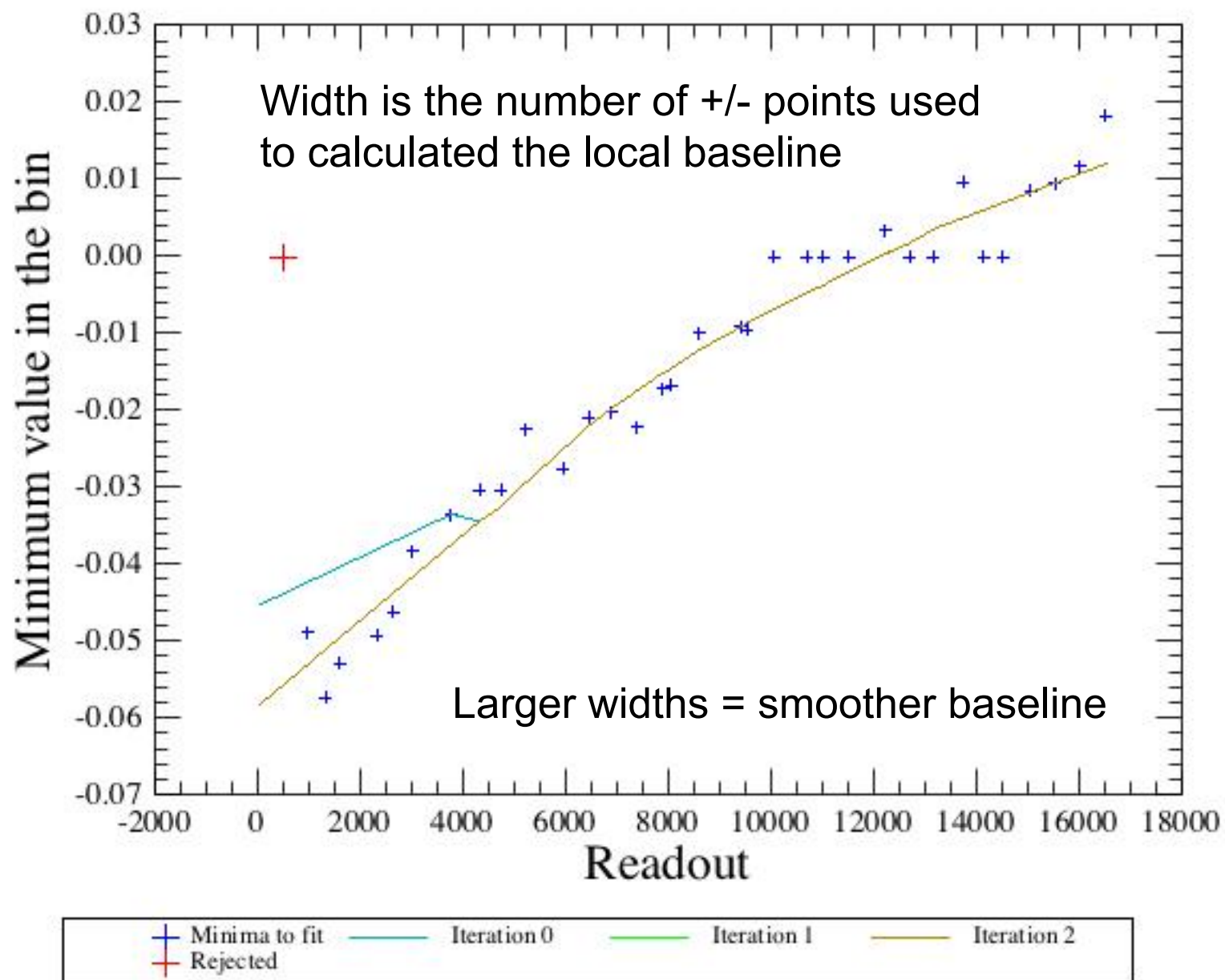
Drift Correction Modules

- ***photGlobalDriftCorrection***
 - 1st generation.
 - Same correction for entire FOV
 - Applies a single polynomial fit to baselines.
- ***photBaselineDriftCorr***
 - 2nd generation.
 - Correct module-by-module
 - Segment baseline for spline-like fitting instead of a single polynomial



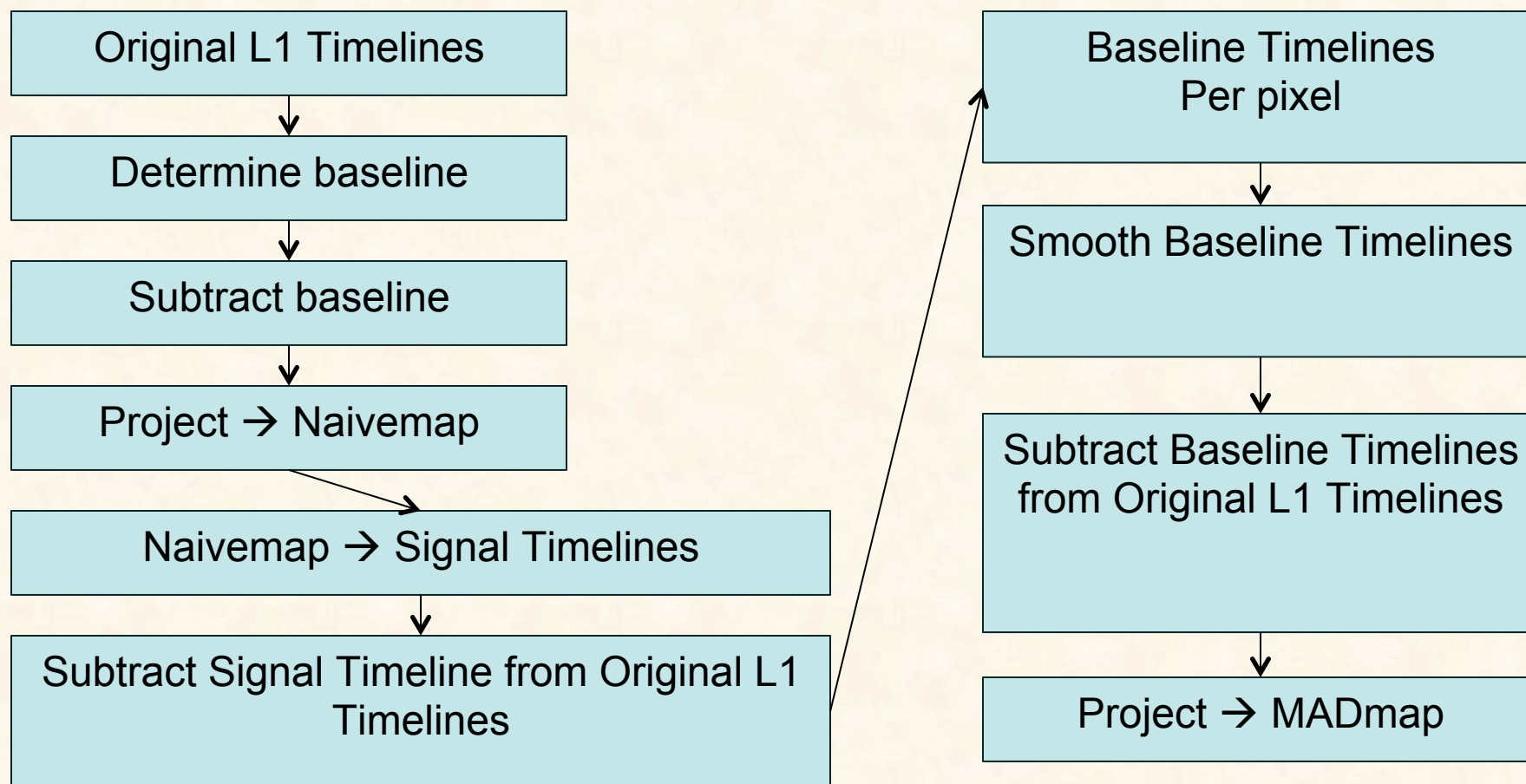
Drift Correction Modules

- ***photSignalDriftCorr***
 - 3rd generation
 - Development version.
 - Fits the local neighborhood only
 - for better estimate of “hooks” and similar structures.
 - Adds an iterative sigma-clipper to remove deviant points.
 - Adds an “outer iteration”



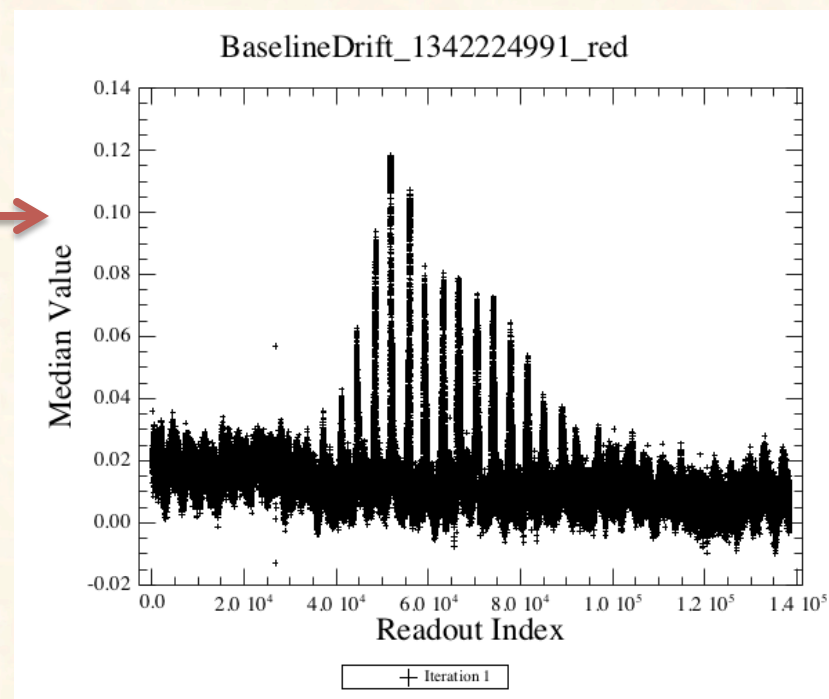
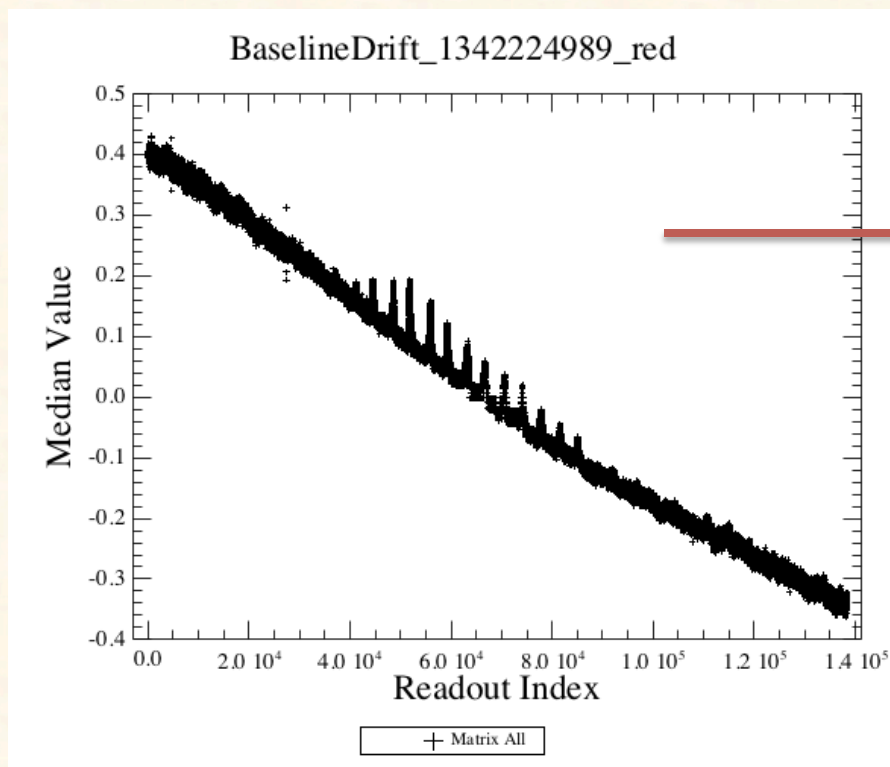


“Outer Iteration”



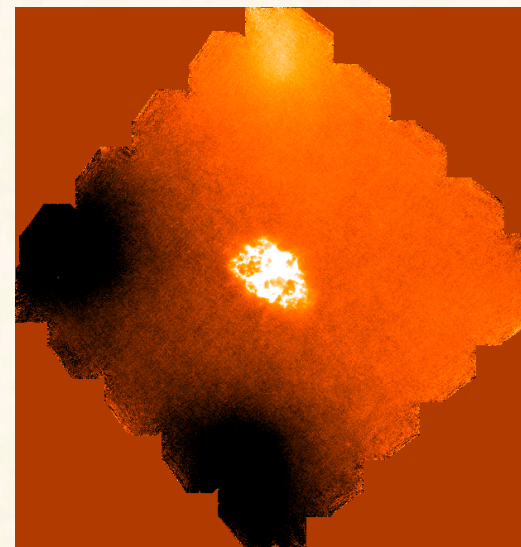
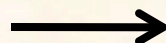
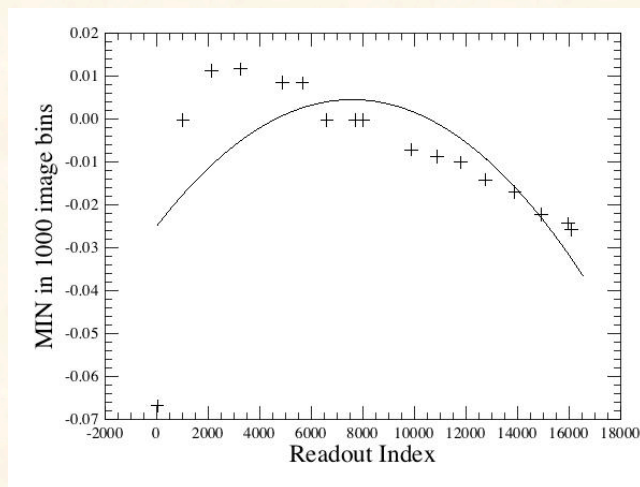
3rd gen. results

Good, but not fully tested.

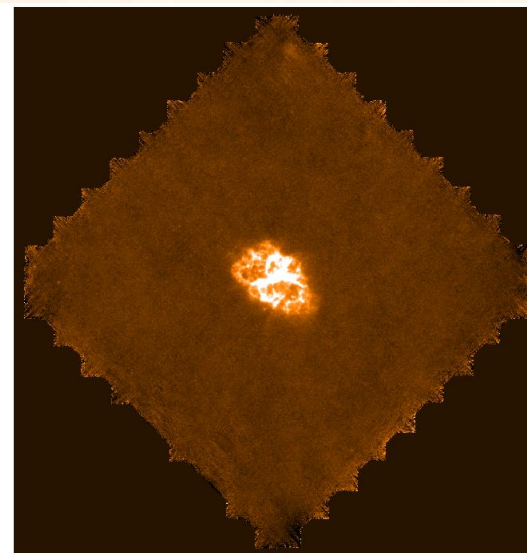
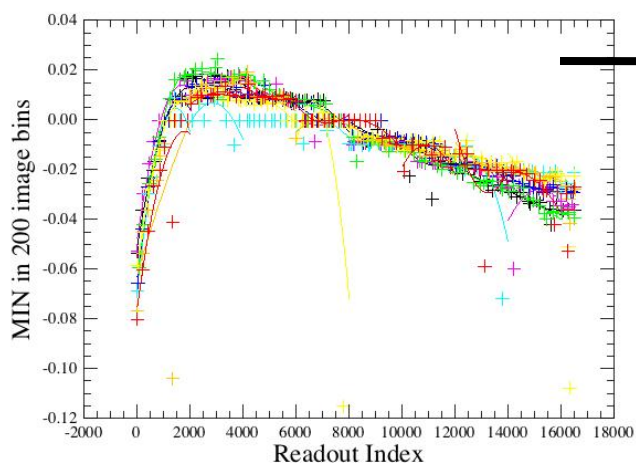


Proper correction is crucial

Bad



Good





Drift Correction

- Preprocessing remains very interactive.
 - Less so with 3rd gen code.
- Crucial to detect and mask remove bad data and avoid pitfalls.



III. Masking bad pixels



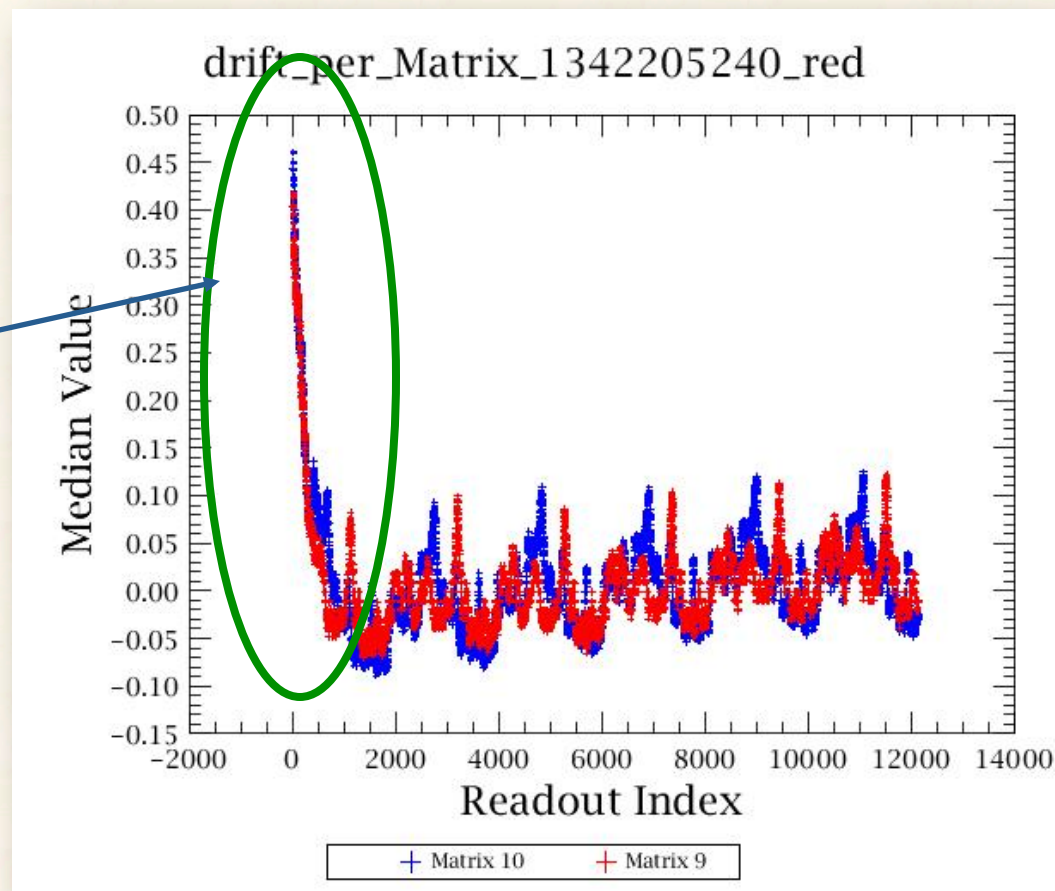
Calibration block echoes

No correction (yet) in preprocessing.

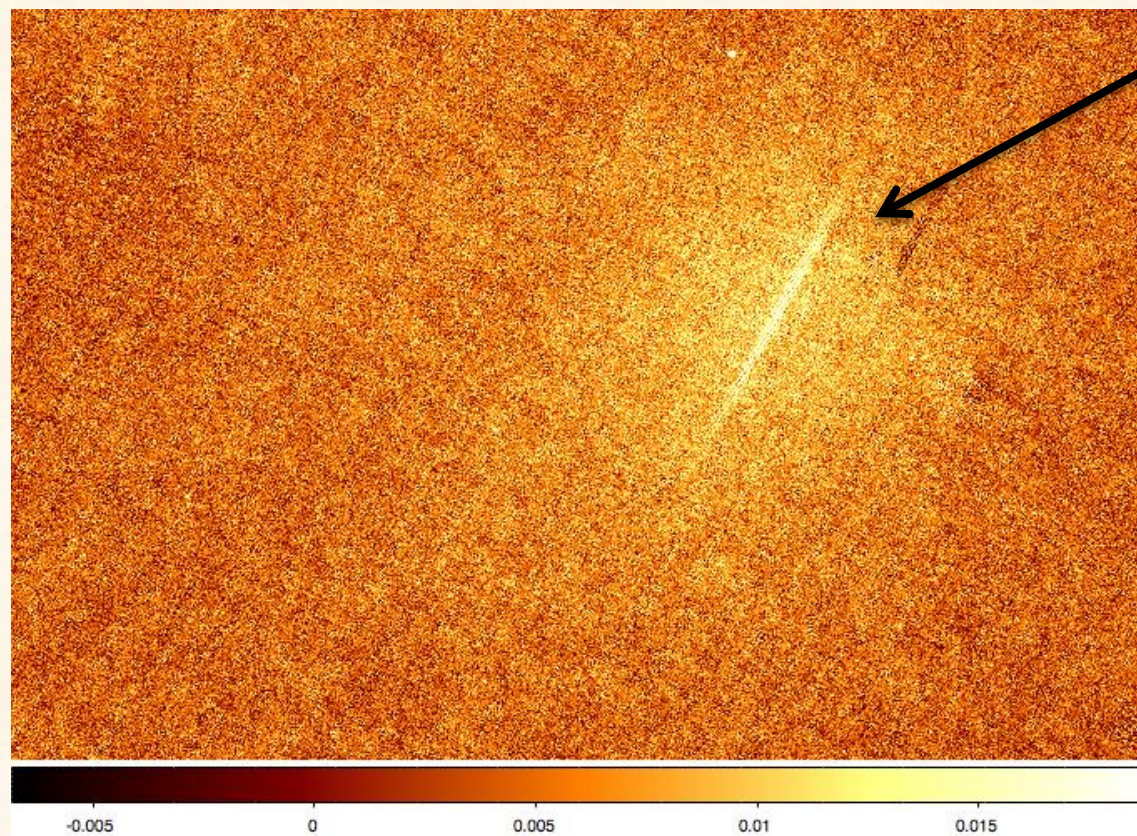
Unstable frames:

Usually at the beginning
Likely due to calibration pre-
amble.

Fix: mask
range of
readouts as
“bad”

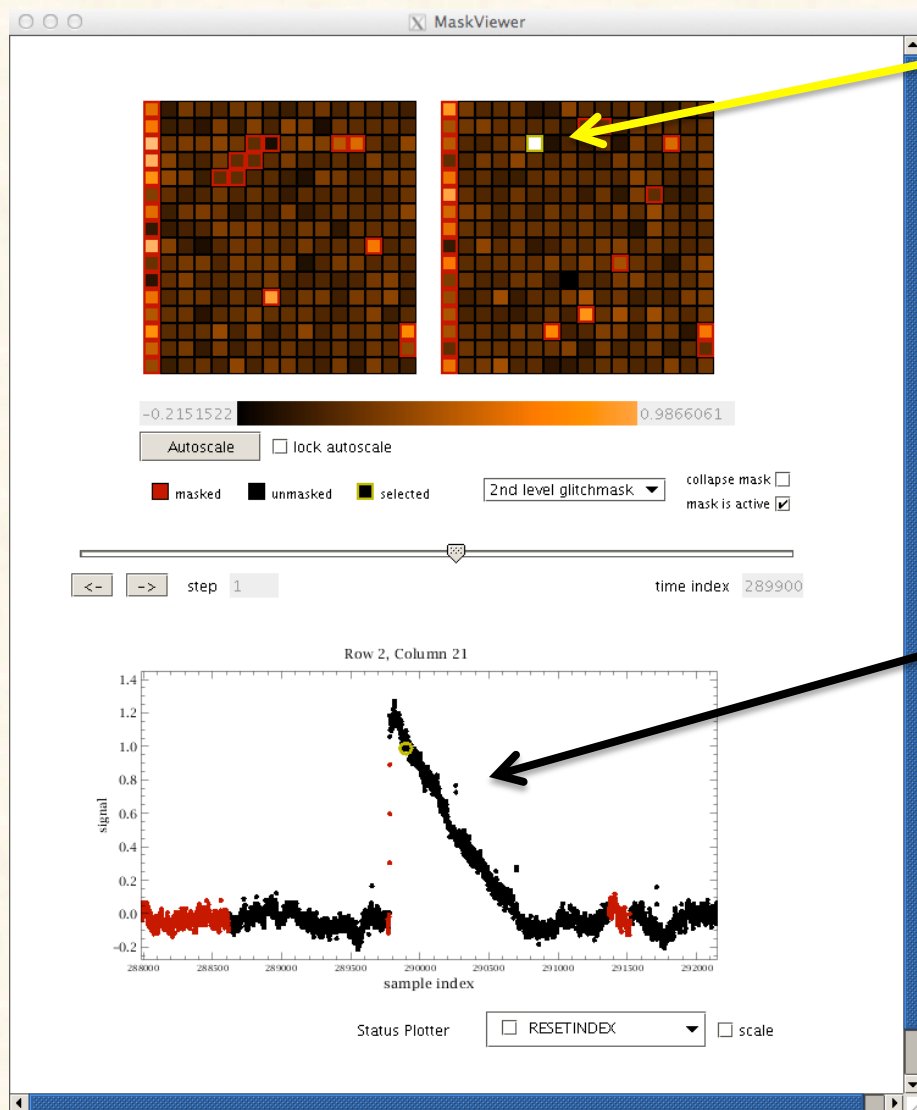


Clean up



Artifacts on projected maps are usually issues in readouts (next slide).

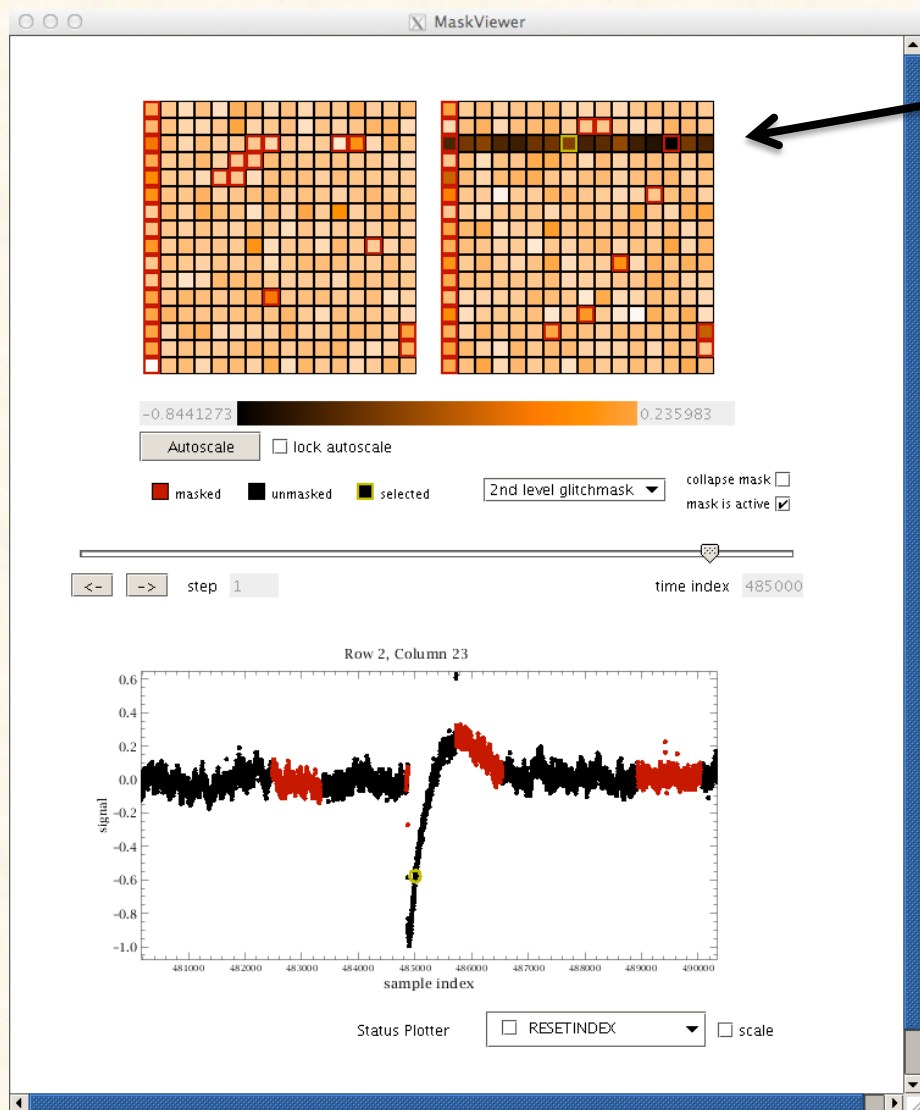
Clean up (cont.)



Example:
Single pixel that
went berserk.

Not a single
readout, but
1000s of
readouts

Clean up (cont.)



Example:
An entire row



Fixes

- There is no PACS pipeline module for automatically detecting these signal anomalies.
- Identify by examining the final map, then reproject to timelines to identify pixels and readout range.
- Masking the affected readouts as “bad glitches” remains the only option.

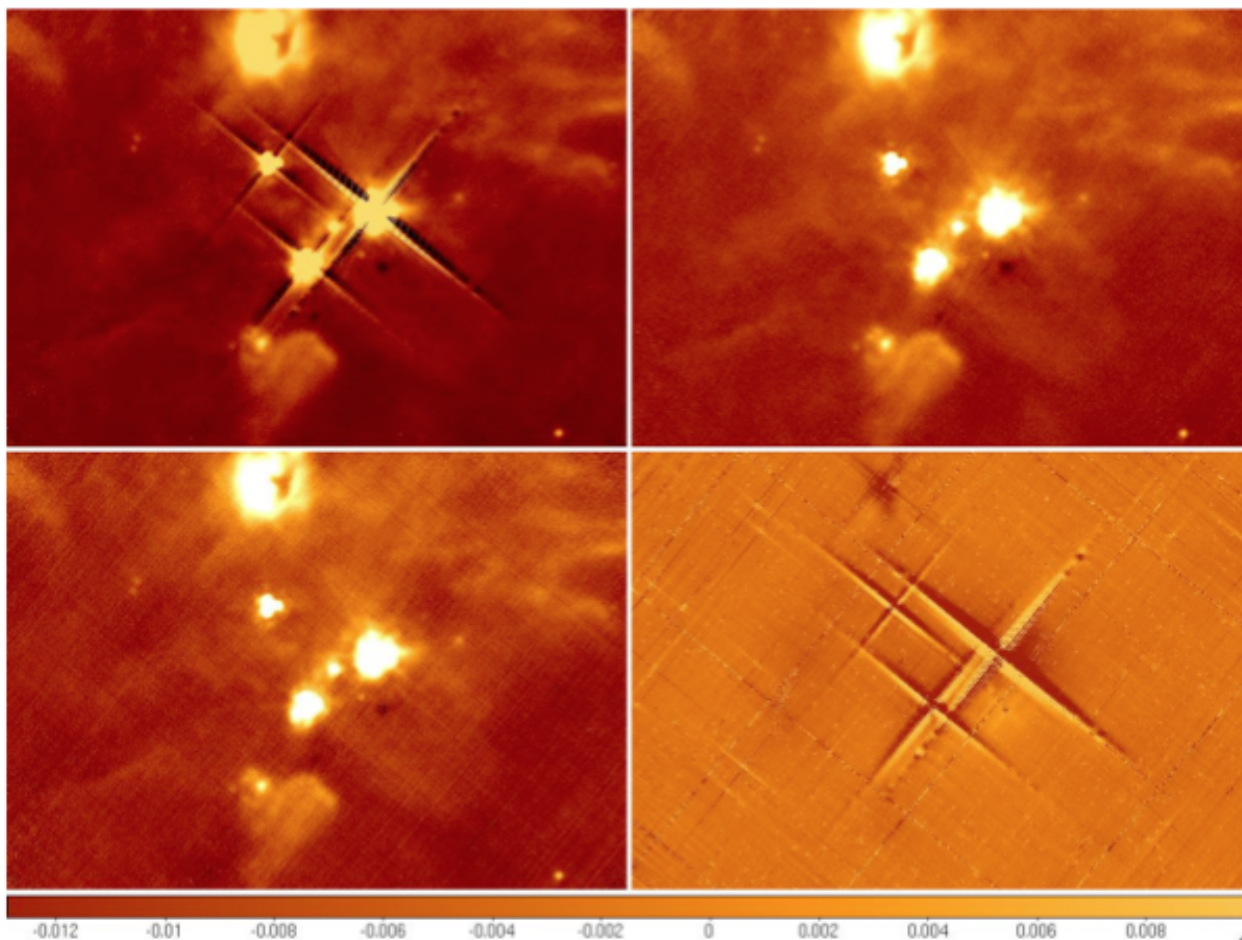


IV. Post-processing

Correct the final map for point source artifacts

Point-source artifacts

Original
map



Corrected
map

Naïve
map

Artifact
map

Figure 1 Results from the point source artifact removal. Top Left. Level 2.5 map generated by MADmap. Top right, the corrected MADmap map. Bottom left the naïve (simple projection) map. Bottom right. The artifact map.



How does it work?

- Reference:
 - Lorenzo et al. in prep (available on request)
 - Developed for HiGal data processing.
- Uses the optimal map as the starting point for sky emission.
- Subtract sky from original time lines, which leaves only noise +artifacts in the time-line.
- High-pass filter the noise+artifacts time-lines. This removes noise and leaves on artifact.
- In practice, several iterations are necessary.