

The Herschel Legacy Calibration

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What is the Herschel Legacy Calibration ?

- > Prime and Secondary Calibrator models
- Calibration software and calibration files
 - The combination of coded algorithms and instrument characterisation files (e.g. PSFs, spectral responses, photometer filter curves, etc) turned into the instrument pipelines
 - The set of interactive scripts and tools for *ad hoc* re- or post-processing of data products (from raw to final)
- Calibration documentation
 - Collection of peer-reviewed publications, instrument handbooks, relevant technical notes/reports, and software-related manuals/guides
- Calibration as public outreach
 - Various workshops organised for intra-Herschel (e.g. map-maker WS) or cross-observatory purposes (e.g. Herschel-ALMA synergies)
 - Regular Data Processing workshops targeting both advanced and novice users, and associated video tutorials



The Herschel Calibration Steering Group

- > The **HCaISG** was kicked off in 2004 with a group formed by ICC calibration experts, prime calibrator modellers and scientists from other observatories
- > Main mandates pre-launch and in Operations:
 - identify prime calibrators and support the generation of reference models at the required accuracy levels
 - Monitor progress in instrument calibration concepts and pipelines, via regular meetings and dedicated workshops
 - Coordinate calibration campaigns over the mission (CoP, PV, Routine) and optimise synergies between instruments for the allocated time
- > Main role during POPs
 - Consolidate prime calibrator models, esp. by retro-feeding Herschel findings into existing models (mostly planetary calibrators)
 - Foster cross-calibration exercises between Herschel and other instruments using the wealth of data acquired over the mission
 - Monitor and support the work towards legacy documentation/ publication about calibration and the reference models

The HCalSG legacy: calibrator models

5%

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Overall accuracy

- The HCalSG oversaw the production of a series of reference models, which have now reached a high level of maturity
 - Mars (Moreno & Lellouch): prime for HIFI
 - **Uranus** (Moreno + Orton): prime for SPIRE-S, secondary for PACS-S
 - **Neptune** (Moreno): prime for SPIRE-P, secondary for PACS-S
 - **Stellar calibrators** (Decin & Dehaes): 5 prime/3 secondary calibrators for PACS-S and PACS-P – untouched since launch – strong heritage from Spitzer.
 - **Asteroids** (Müller): secondary calibrators for PACS
 - 4 brightest ones now considered prime calibrators (5% accuracy)
 - <u>note:</u> Ceres and Pallas were used to derive time-dependent telescope background models, used in the PACS-S calibration

Others (Titan, Callisto, Ganymede): not used directly by Herschel

All models available as Ancillary Data Products (via the HSA and web) See also http://herschel.esac.esa.int/twiki/bin/view/HCalSG/NewCalSource



The HCalSG legacy: calibrator models



Consistency between stellar and planetary model calibration shown to be extremely good (1%!) – significant achievement considering the very different and independent nature of the models



The HCalSG legacy: workshops

- Calibration workshops (none during POPs)
 - Calibrator Models workshops (Dec 2004 and Feb 2008)
 - <u>http://www.cosmos.esa.int/web/herschel/calibration-workshop-1</u>
 - http://www.cosmos.esa.int/web/herschel/calibration-workshop-2
 - Instrument Flux Calibration workshops:
 - 2010: mostly dedicated to photometer calibration
 http://herschel.esac.esa.int/twiki/bin/view/HCalSG/CalibrationWorkshop
 - 2012: mostly dedicated to spectrometer calibration
 http://herschel.esac.esa.int/twiki/bin/view/Public/CalibrationWorkshop4
 - 2013: general wrap-up prior to POP start led to a special topical issue of Experimental Astronomy (17 published papers) http://herschel.esac.esa.int/twiki/bin/view/Public/CalibrationWorkshop5
- Photometer map-maker workshop (January2013)

http://www.cosmos.esa.int/web/herschel/pacs-and-spire-map-making-workshop

 Half a dozen map-makers were benchmarked against a set of metrics – led to selection of "best" PACS-P map-makers used in the pipeline



Some HCalSG success stories

- Planck/HFI data in bands overlapping with SPIRE-P were used in order to assess accurate background reference levels for the photometric maps
 - Despite a lengthy iteration process with Planck team (non-disclosure of early data), the payback of this effort was significant for both projects, allowing e.g. Planck/HFI to refine their beams

Cross-calibration of ext. emission between PACS-P and Spitzer MIPS at 160 µm

- Discrepancy of >30% at high end between the two instruments initially thought to be issue with the Herschel data and their calibration
- Data from either instruments reconciled after correction for an overlooked non-linearity issue in the MIPS 160 µm data
- Reference calibrator models
 - Planetary and asteroid models used by Herschel have now become a reference for modern observatories such as ALMA and SOFIA
 - Heritage for a potential SPICA mission will also be very valuable



Instrument calibration achievements: Introductory remarks

- Most, if not all, improvements applying to the calibration effort have materialised in the products in a staging fashion, related to the regular bulk reprocessing campaigns associated to HCSS user release versions
- During the POP, the following landmarks are applicable (see also the Legacy Software presentation):
 - HIPE 10: last HCSS release during Operations (Dec 2012)
 - HIPE 11: released July 2013
 - HIPE 12: released March 2014
 - HIPE 13: released April 2015
 - HIPE 14: 14.0 (released Dec 2015), 14.1 (released April 2016), 14.2 (planned for June 2016)
 - HIPE 15: Planned for December 2016



Instrument calibration achievements: SPIRE-P

- > SPIRE-P products were already very close to science-ready when entering POPs
- > Main Pipeline improvements:
 - Two-pass pipeline: optimised deglitching and map destriper
 - Anomalous instrument behaviour mitigation (cooler burp, bolo jumps)
- > Introduction of new products:
 - Level 2.5 (overlapping nominal and orthogonal scans) and level 3 products (mosaics of overlapping level 2 or 2.5 fields of view)
 - "High Resolution" (*HiRes*) maps essentially a spatial deconvolution
 - Serendipity mode data
- > Main Calibration improvements:
 - High accuracy instrument beam derived from *shadow observations*, allowing better extended source calibration maps
 - Extended calibrated maps zero level matched to Planck/HFI

Calibration considered final



Instrument calibration achievements: SPIRE-P - examples









Naïve Map

SPIRE Destriper

(2-pass pipeline)

HIPE 11

Naïve Map + Destriper

Naïve Map + Destriper + Turnarounds Naïve Map + Destriper + Extended Gain

Naïve Map

- + Destriper
- + Turnarounds
- + Extended Gain

Instrument calibration achievements: SPIRE-P - examples

Level 3 products

Level 3 product created from Level 2



Level 3 product created from Level 2.5



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Instrument calibration achievements: SPIRE-P - examples



Products readily available from the pipeline for ~17% of SPIRE-P observations as level2/2.5



Pre-HIPE 13

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HIPE 14

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Instrument calibration achievements: SPIRE-S

- > Main Pipeline improvements:
 - Better characterisation of the telescope *Relative Spectral Response Function* (RSRF), resulting in improved sensitivity and spectral shape
 - Band spectral coverage extension at the edges
 - Correction for Low Res. data, improvements of the SLW spectral shape
 - Improved re-gridded cubes for fully sampled spectral maps
- Introduction of new products:
 - Spectra processed for all array pixels (originally: only central ones)
- > Main Calibration improvements:
 - Improved extended source calibration based on SPIRE-P/SPIRE-S cross-comparison
 - Detailed characterisation of the FTS calibration accuracy based on secondary calibrators monitoring
 - Characterisation of the FTS beams and feedback into ad hoc correction tool for semi-extended objects

Calibration considered final (flux & frequency)



Instrument calibration achievements: SPIRE-S – examples



Telescope RSRF improvement: Sensitivity figures in HR mode



Instrument calibration achievements: SPIRE-S – examples



Convolved cubes for fully sampled spectral maps



HIPE 13

Naïve projection cubes leads to empty pixels at under-sampled sky positions (dead detectors)

(note also the improvements in the pipeline postcard)

HIPE 14 Cubes regridded using convolution kernel – assigns flux at every pixel of the grid





Instrument calibration achievements: PACS-P

- > PACS-P products were already very close to science-ready when entering POPs
- > Main Pipeline improvements:
 - Introduction of new GLS mapper *Unimap*, replaced *MadMap* in HIPE 13
 - Introduction of destriper code (*JScanam*) based on *Scanamorphos*
 - Calibration blocks detection and masking
 - Interactive scripts capable to process any number of observations
- > Introduction of new products:
 - level 3 products (overlapping fields of view from level 2.5 products)
 - Level 2.5 products for Solar System Objects (in SSO co-moving frame)
- > Main Calibration improvements:
 - PSFs and EEFs derived for various scan speeds and observing modes
 - Updated calibration corrections: projection of physical pixels onto sky, evaporator temperature correction, signal calibration for chopped observations

Calibration considered final



Instrument calibration achievements: PACS-P examples



HIPE 14 with

HIPE 13 w/o

calibration block detection mode

calibration block detection mode

Improved SNR in Level 3 products

Cal block masking

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Instrument calibration achievements: PACS-S

- > Main Pipeline improvements:
 - Transition from internal Calibrator-based scheme to Telescope background normalisation scheme (tracking response drift) – improvement esp. for broad band features and faint sources
 - Flat-fielding for range scan observations based on cubic splines
 - New flux calibration scheme for drizzled cubes
- > Introduction of new products:
 - Cubes spectrally and spatially resampled on regular grids
 - Level 3 products (concatenation of spectral range of SEDs)
 - Point-source corrected spectra on top of that from central spaxel
- > Main Calibration improvements:
 - Better beam characterisation (improved Point Source correction, and Extended Source calibration recovery of up to 30% flux loss at low λ)
 - Instrument RSRF in leak region above 190 µm ("de-leaked" RSRF)

Flux Calibration not yet considered final – last update will take place in the HIPE 14.2 release (June 2016)



Instrument calibration achievements: PACS-S examples

Telescope Background Normalisation scheme



Comparison of SED from SPG 11 (black) and 14 (red)

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New level3 concatenated SED for range spectroscopy



Instrument calibration achievements: PACS-S examples



Non-uniform illumination of PACS-S FoV



PACS improvements in 14.2: heads-up

> PACS-P:

- Newest version of Unimap 6.4.3
 - Introduction of error maps
 - New noise cancellation option to be activated in certain fields (e.g. Galactic Plane)

> PACS-S:

- Region in red leak (above 190 µm) will not be offered in the end product (filled with NaNs instead)
 - Necessary calibration table ("de-leaked" RSRF) present in calibration tree, allowing manual processing through ipipe
 - Shall be generated as HPDPs
- New transient correction algorithm will not be implemented in SPG results from new flat-field approach are of similar quality
- Improvement of postcards

General:

• Tiding up headers and interactive scripts



Instrument calibration achievements: HIFI

- > Main Pipeline improvements:
 - Electrical Standing Wave automatic corrections in Bands 6 and 7
 - Generation of Flux Calibration Uncertainty tables applicable to the observing frequency
- > Introduction of new products:
 - Level 2.5 simplified products for single point observations
 - Generation and provision of OFF position spectra for all modes
- > Main Calibration improvements:
 - Better instrument PSF characterisation via bottom-up modelling of beam maps at all epochs, bootstrapped to ILT Far-Field beam data
 - Detector mixer sideband gain ratio estimated on a fine frequency grid, based on a combination of in-flight and pre-flight measurements
 - Masking of all spurious spectra features in Spectral Scan observations via a manually-populated calibration file

Calibration considered final (flux & frequency)



Instrument calibration achievements: HIFI – examples

Spur mask tables for Spectral Scans



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Instrument cross-calibration

- With other observatories
 - SPIRE-P/Planck HFI: successfully used for SPIRE absolute background level calibration – good to 10%
 - PACS-P/Spitzer MIPS: very good match once MIPS non-linearity understood and corrected
- Intra-instrument
 - PACS-P/PACS-S continuum calibration match very well by construction
 - SPIRE-P/SPIRE-S continuum discrepancy by up to 80% led to revision of SPIRE-S extended calibration scheme

> Across instruments: the spectrometers

- HIFI/SPIRE flux intensities on AGB sample agree within 10%
- HIFI/PACS flux intensities on AGB sample agree within 30%



Discrepancy for the latter was factor of 3 in red leak area (@200 μ m), at the time when de-leaked RSRF was not yet available



Attitude reconstruction achievements (pointing)

- At start of POPs, the pointing accuracy was already exceeding the pre-launch specification (Absolute Pointing Error – APE – of 1"-1.6" vs a specified 2")
- > Main Pipeline improvements during POPs:
 - HIPE 12: Correction for improper STR focal length for OD 321-761 range introduced in pipeline (was previously ingested manually)
 - HIPE 13: introduction of Gyro-based attitude reconstruction, allowing to track high-frequency changes in the S/C attitude (too heavily filtered) – esp. efficient to deal with pointing jitter.

offers the most homogeneous pointing performance over the mission

- HIPE 14: Treatment of interlacing (use of 18 stars instead of 9 in the Star Tracker system STR), and special correction for contingency events of the STR operations (e.g. switch-over to redundant STR)
- **Reconstruction now considered final in the pipeline products**

Remaining work in POPs: investigation of pointing drift in observations under so-called warm attitude, leading to thermo-elastic deformation of the STR – objective is to provide report and recipe on first order correction (not pipeline)

Attitude reconstruction performance (pointing)



^(a) Attitude accuracy from raw Spacecraft Telemetry

Adapted from Sanchez-Portal et al. 2014

(b) Absolute Measured Error: in contrast with the APE, applicable at the time of observation, the AME is the accuracy of the *a posteriori* reconstructed attitude
(c) In this period, a colder STR baseplate operation temperature was not taken into account in the on-board focal length parameter of the STR system, leading to a poorer performance – the effectively achieved accuracy could be as bad as 8"



Science-readiness and calibration uncertainty: SPIRE



Flux Uncertainty		Science Readiness of	
Absolute	Repeatability	Standard Products	
Photometer – goal 10%, baseline 15% (rel.: 5%, 10% resp.)			
Pt-source calib.:	< 2% for S>100mJy <10% for S<100 mJy	Ready to use as is – background reference level accurate to 10%	
~ 5%		Isolated artefacts not dealt with by pipeline in ~4% of obs.	
Spectrometer – goal 10%, baseline 15%			
Pt-source calib.:	6%, reduced to 3% if pointing can be	Pt-source calibrated data and extended-source calibrated data	
~ 4%	corrected	ready to use as is for purely point and extended sources respectively.	
Extended calib.:	7%	Not science-ready for any	
4% or > if not fully extended		source morphology in-between, or point-source embedded in an extended background (~55% of sparse mode obs.)	



Science-readiness and calibration uncertainty: SPIRE







Science-readiness and calibration uncertainty: PACS



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Flux Uncertainty		Science Readiness of	
Absolute	Repeatability	Standard Products	
Photometer - goal 10%, baseline 20% (rel.: 3%, 5% resp.)			
5-7% - main contributor is abs. calibrator - rest is non-linearity corr.	<1 % at 70 µm and 100 µm <3% at 160 µm	Ready to use as is, although background reference level is un- calibrated (can be derived from differential photometry of course)	
Spectrometer – goal 10%, baseline 20% (rel.: 3%, 5% resp.)			
Uncertainty at <i>key</i> wavelengths		Pt-source calibrated data and	
Pt-source calib.: 6-12 %	4 % 1-sigma rms 15% peak-to-peak	extended-source calibrated data ready to use as is for purely point and extended sources respectively.	
Ext. calibration:15 %			
In-band relative uncertainty		source morphology in-between Beside, continuum unreliable in un-chopped obs. and in red leak (λ > 190 μm)	
Un-chopped: 10%			
Chop-nod: 5% below 150 µm, 10% above			



Science-readiness and calibration uncertainty: HIFI



Flux Uncertainty		Science Readiness of	
Absolute	Repeatability	Standard Products	
Bands 1 to 5 (SIS mixers) – goal 3%, baseline 10%			
2-4% internal instrumental error (random) + 5% (syst.) Planet model	3-6% (pt-source), reduced to 3% if pointing offset can be corrected	HIFI data intrinsically in an instrument-internal scale (T _A *) – beam coupling losses to source need to be assessed by user Majority of HIFI products are	
Bands 6 to 7 (HEB mixers)		conversion)	
5-6% internal instrumental error (random) + 5% (syst.) Planet model	11% (pt-source), reduced to 9% if pointing offset can be corrected	Main residual artefacts are baseline distortion (mostly standing wave), affecting ~20% of the standard products (2/3 being from point-mode observations)	



Conclusions (1) Post-Operations: the data mining era

- The POP is the first moment when instrument experts can look back at the wealth of the mission delivery as a whole it is the data-mining era !
- For a cryogenic mission such as Herschel, this aspect is fundamental and the significant amount of resources and time allocated to it is/was essential
- Some unique outputs of such "big data" approach have been possible in this period just to name a few (from previous slides):
 - Assessment of flux calibration repeatability figures for all instruments
 - Creation of merged data products among several overlapping observations
 - HIFI beam modelling combining data collected at all epochs + ILT
 - Telescope RSRF for SPIRE-S based on all dark sky measurements collected in-flight
 - Corrected SPIRE-S extended source calibration based on systematic cross-calibration between SPIRE-S and SPIRE-P continua
 - Etc.



Conclusions (2) Legacy Calibration in the Science Products

- Herschel is a mission with no previous observatory to specifically pave its calibration road
 - Very early work on absolute calibrator models, pursued throughout all mission phases, proved an extremely successful enterprise
- > Legacy calibration in the Herschel science products
 - Photometer absolute flux accuracy (~5-7%) virtually turns any point source detected by Herschel into a calibrator for future FIR missions
 - Spectrometer data offer high accuracy calibration (<10%) for welldefined source morphology (typically: point-like or fully extended)
 - Tools to derive more accurate fluxes for intermediate cases are available in HIPE
 - Calibration uncertainty for those cases is strongly dependent on user's assumption on the source morphology knowledge
 - The access to those tools in the long term is essential ideally as independent tasks outside of HIPE (e.g. Python) or within a virtualisation of HIPE



Conclusions (3) Status of Legacy Calibration deliverables

Deliverable	Status	Where
Calibrator models	Planets + stars compiled in Feb 2016. Asteroids TBD in May 2016	HSA + FTP through HELL (Cosmos)
Calibration Software	Final for HIFI and SPIRE as of HIPE 14.1 (April 2016)	HIPE
Calibration Files	Final version for PACS still pending (HIPE 14.2 – June 2016)	HSA
Calibration documentation ^(a)	Handbooks exist with un-even completion state among instruments.	HELL (Cosmos) + respective journal
	Explanatory Library component populated to a large extend.	repositories for refereed publications
	Instr. webpages geared towards Ops	
Cal. Workshops	Material is final on twiki pages – needs migration to Cosmos	HELL (Cosmos)
Video tutorials	Exist for already held Workshops	Youtube

^(a) See also Documentation presentation for HELL schedule



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Conclusions (4) Remaining calibration work in POPs

Workpackage	When	Priority	Where/Remarks
Documentation – see also Documentation presentation for HELL schedule			
Handbooks	Until June 17	1	HELL (Cosmos)
Pocket Guides	June/Oct 16	1	HELL (Cosmos)
Instr. web pages	Dec 2016	1	HELL (Cosmos)
Publications	Best effort basis	3	HELL (Cosmos), but only until end of POPs
X-calibration report	July 2016	1	HELL (Cosmos)
Software – see also Legacy Software presentation			
Calibration Pipeline (HIPE 14.2)	June 2016	1	HIPE – VM for long term
Interactive tools (HIPE 15)	Dec 2016	2	HIPE – VM for long term
Python external library	Voluntary basis	3	Large fraction curated outside of HSC – central storage unclear

Priority 1: Mandatory, Priority 2: Highly-desirable, Priority 3: Nice to have

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Conclusions (4) Remaining calibration work in POPs (cont'd) CSA

Workpackage	When	Priority	Where/Remarks
Provision of Legacy Data Products – see also next presentation			
Expert-curated Data Products with improved calibration	Between now and June 2017	1	HSA and FTP via HELL (Cosmos)
Added-value Data Products	Between now and June 2017	2	HSA and FTP via HELL (Cosmos)
Ancillary Data Products	Between now and Dec 2016	2	HSA and FTP via HELL (Cosmos)
Video Tutorials – see also Community Support presentation			
Collection of short tutorials on how to use functionalities of the Legacy SW	From Jan to June 2017	1	HELL (Cosmos) + Youtube

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