

# GSICS

## Requirements for SST

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# Geo-SST Processing

- Uses CRTM forward-modeled BTs
  - Bayesian cloud detection
  - Developing new “double-difference” tests
  - Deterministic physical retrieval
- “Deterministic”
  - Regularization of gain matrix is dynamically data-driven, as opposed to specified via *a priori* covariances
    - Koner, P.K., A.R. Harris & E. Maturi, ‘A physical deterministic inverse method for operational satellite remote sensing: an application for sea surface temperature retrievals’, IEEE-TGRS, **53**, 5872-5888, 2015

- **Forward model:**  $Y = KX$
- **Simple Inverse:**  $X = K^{-1}Y$  (measurement error)

- **Legendre (1805) Least Squares:**

$$X = X_{ig} + (K^T K)^{-1} K^T (Y_{\delta} - Y_{ig})$$

- **MTLS:**  $X = X_{ig} + (K^T K + \lambda R)^{-1} K^T (Y_{\delta} - Y_{ig})$

- **OEM:**  $X = X_a + (K^T S_e^{-1} K + S_a^{-1})^{-1} K^T S_e^{-1} (Y_{\delta} - Y_a)$

## Physical retrieval

**Normal LSQ Eqn:**  $\Delta x = (\mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{K})^{-1} \mathbf{K}^T \Delta y$  [=  $\mathbf{G} \Delta y$ ]

**MTLS modifies gain:**  $\mathbf{G}' = (\mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{K} + \lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{K}^T$

**Regularization strength:**  $\lambda = (2 \log(\kappa) / \|\Delta y\|) \sigma_{\text{end}}^2$

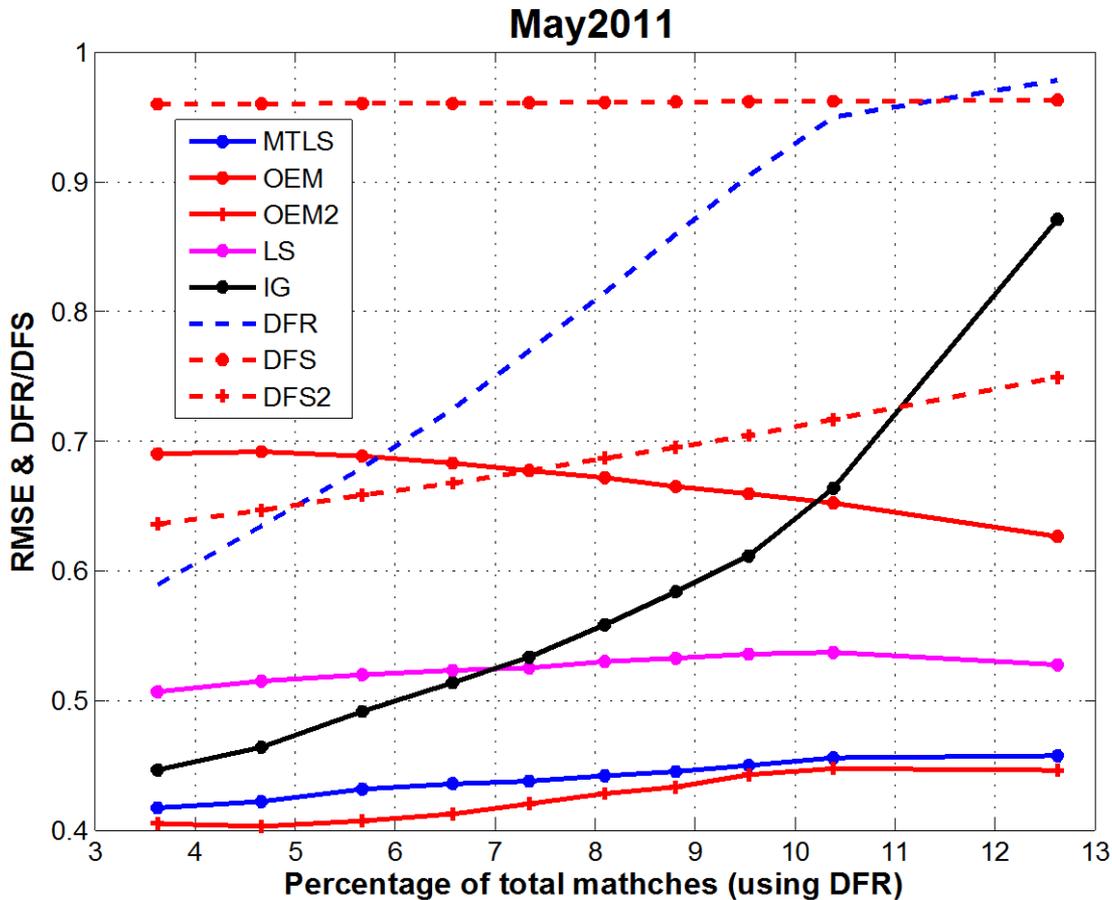
**( $\sigma_{\text{end}}$  = lowest singular value of  $[\mathbf{K} \ \Delta y]$ )**

## Total Error

$$\|e\| = \|(\mathbf{MRM} - \mathbf{I})\Delta x\| + \|\mathbf{G}'\| \langle \|\Delta y - \mathbf{K}\Delta x\| \rangle$$

**N.B. Includes TCWV as well as SST**

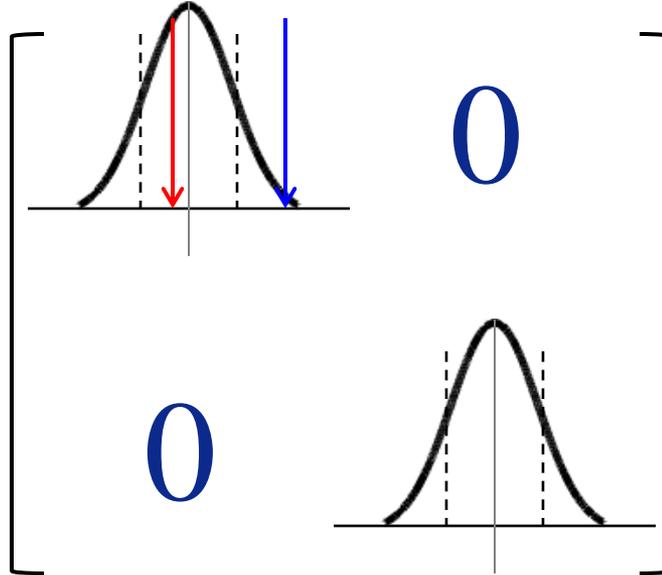
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# “Optimized” OE

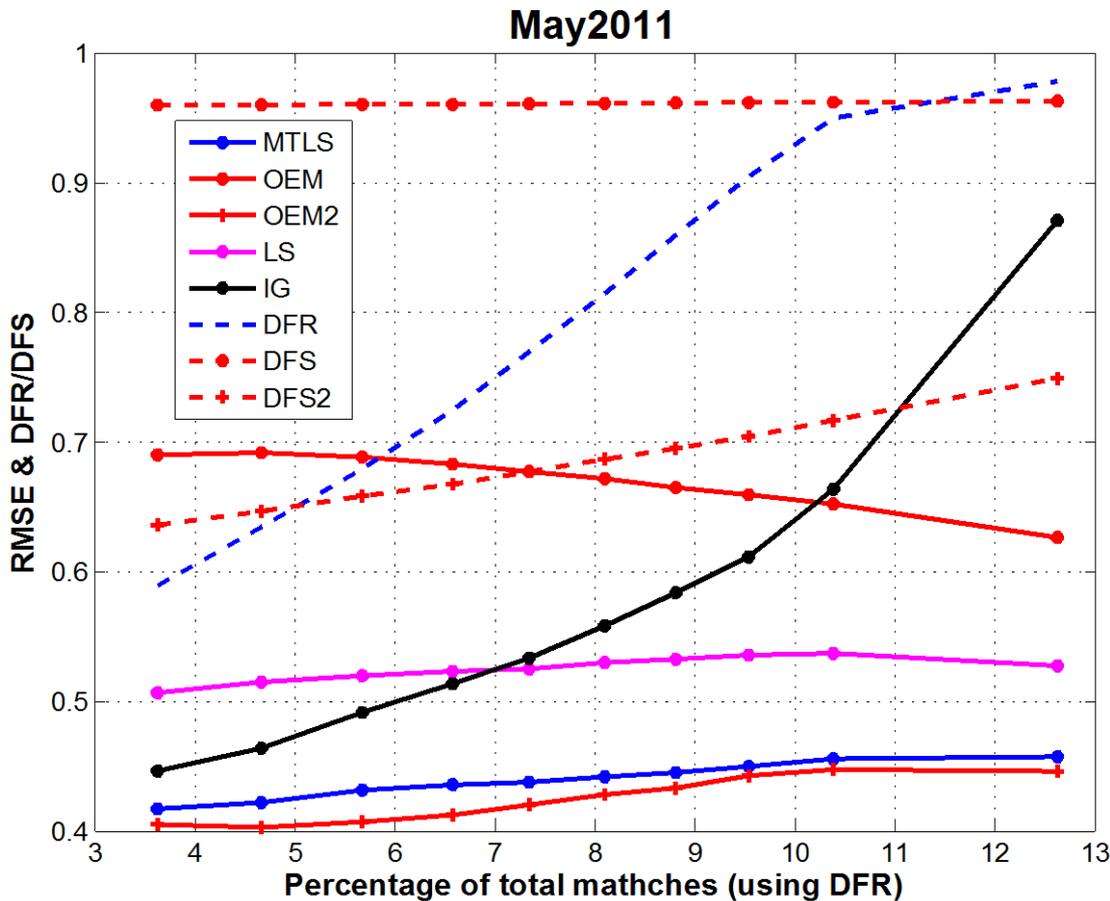
- $[S_e], S_a =$



$\sigma^2$  is an overestimate...  
...or an underestimate

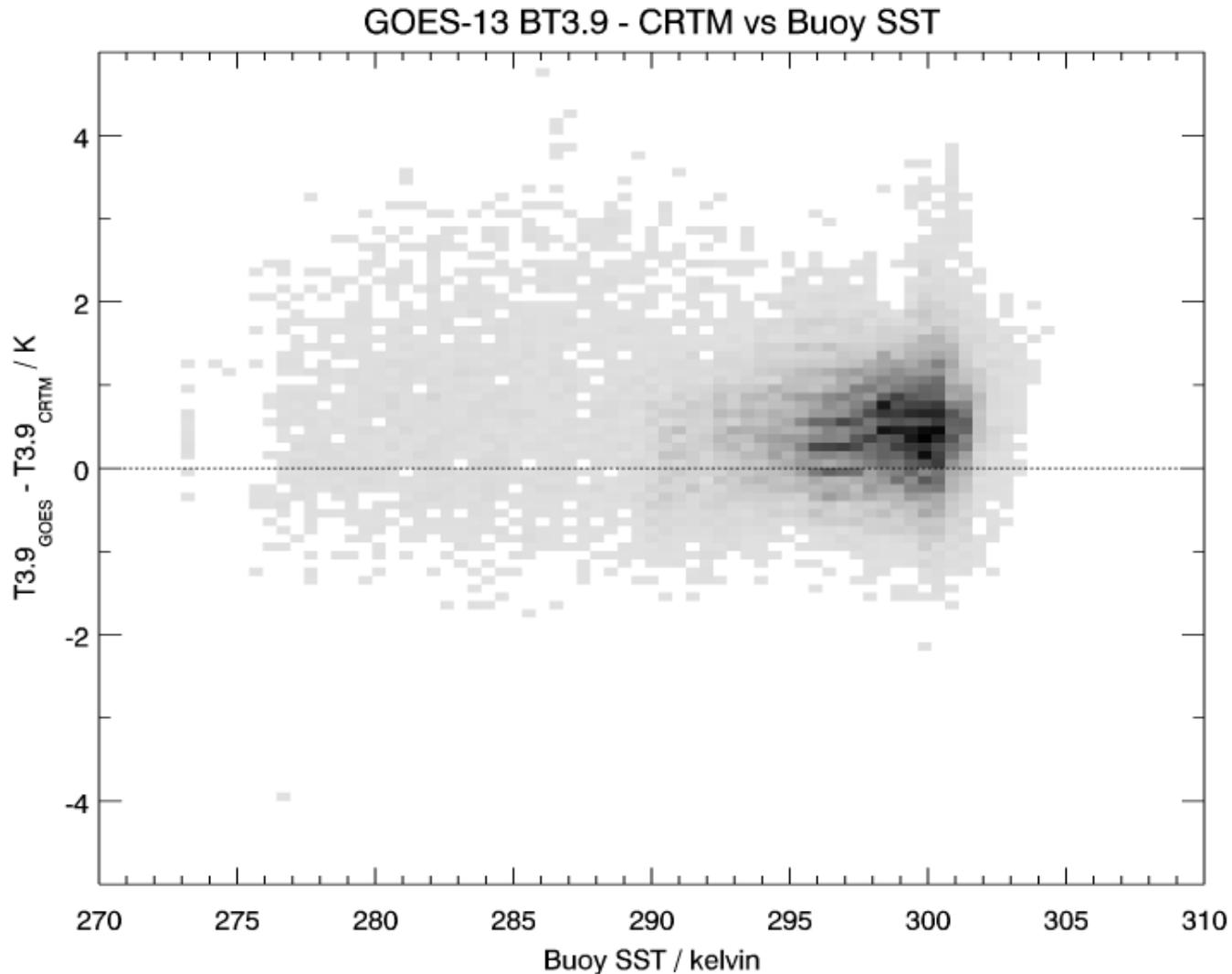
- **Perform experiment – insert “true” SST error into  $S_a^{-1}$** 
  - Can only be done when truth is known, e.g. with matchup data

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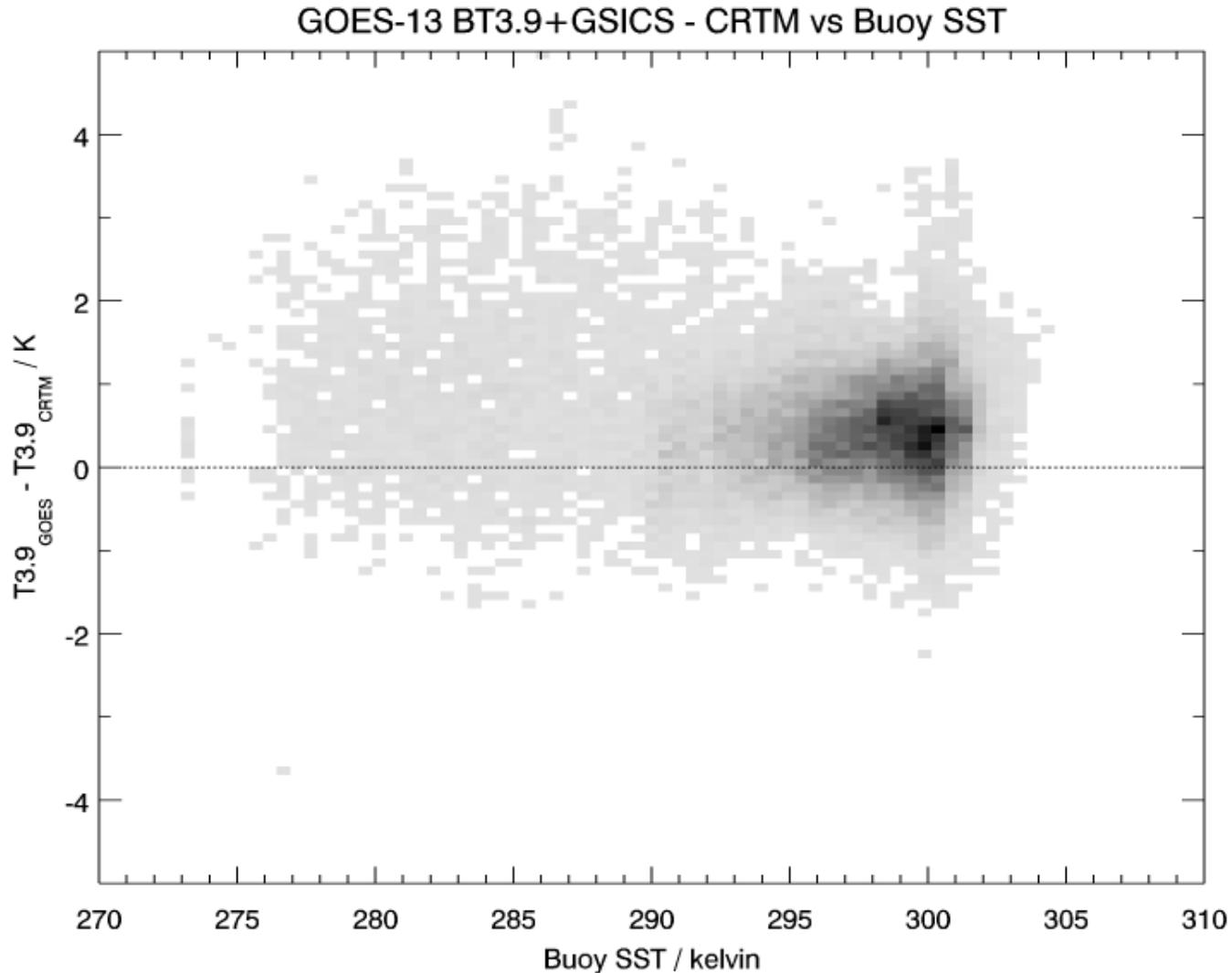


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- DFR of MTLS is high when *a priori* error is high
- The retrieval error of OEM is good when a *priori* SST is perfectly known, but DFS of OEM is much lower than for MTLS

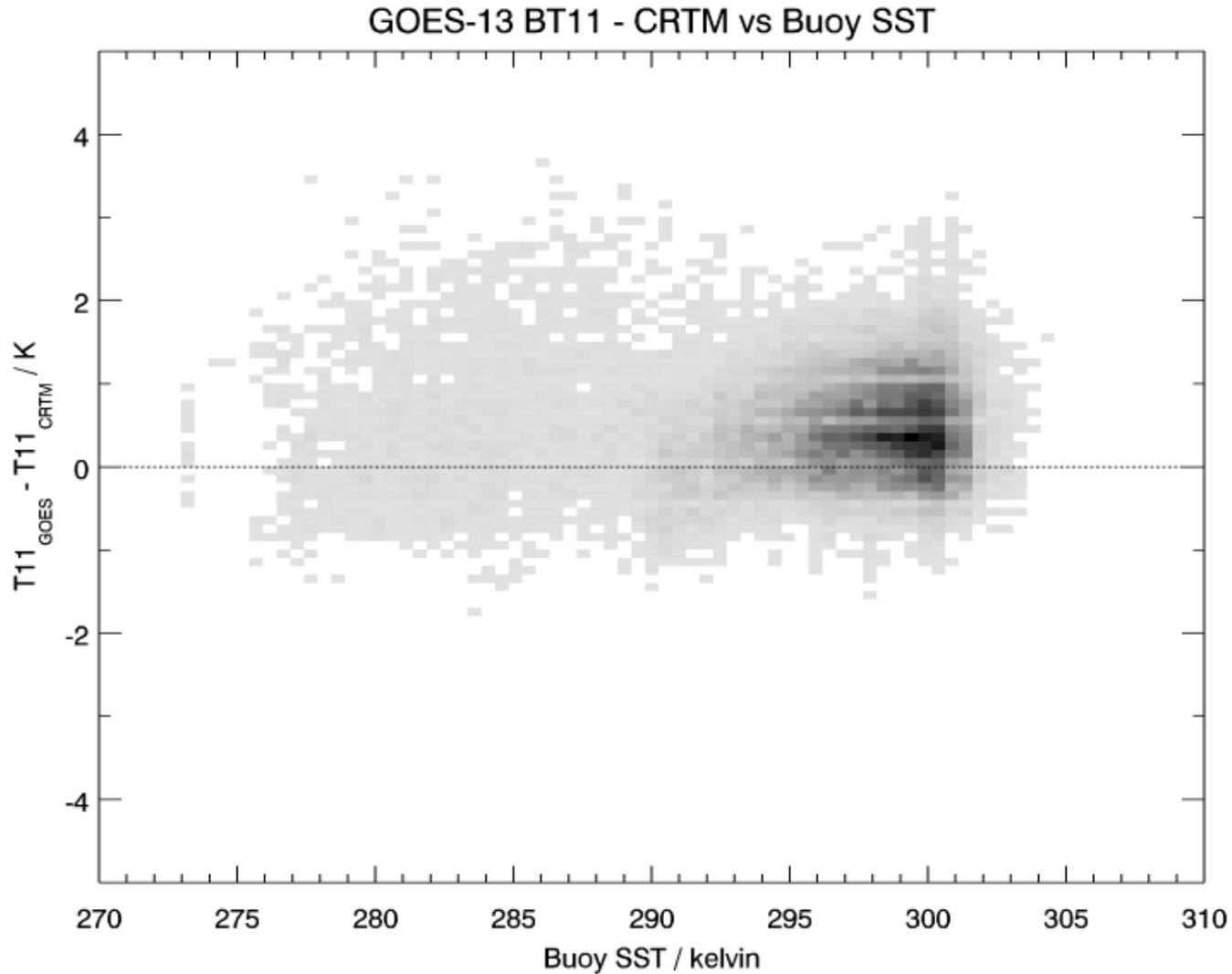
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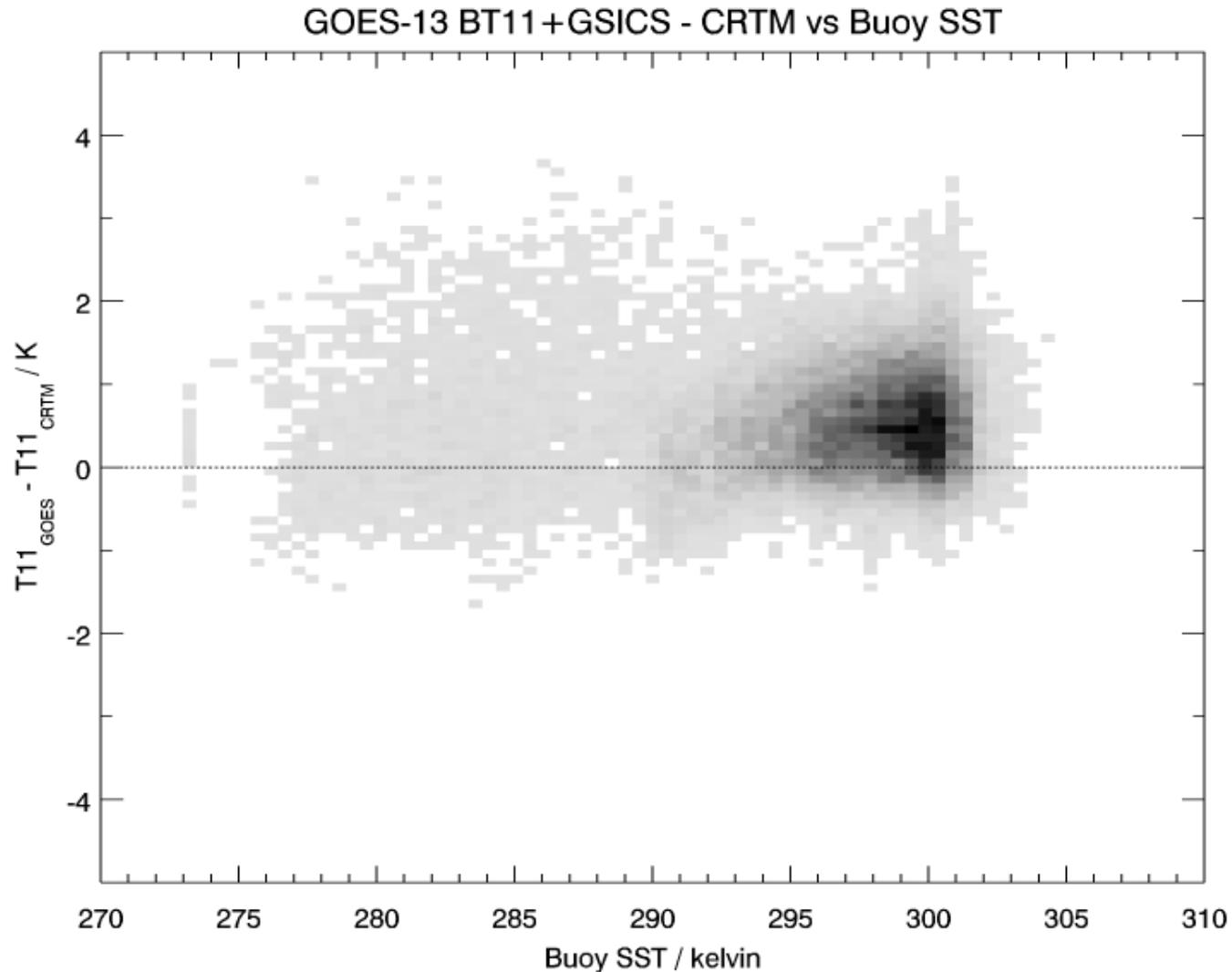
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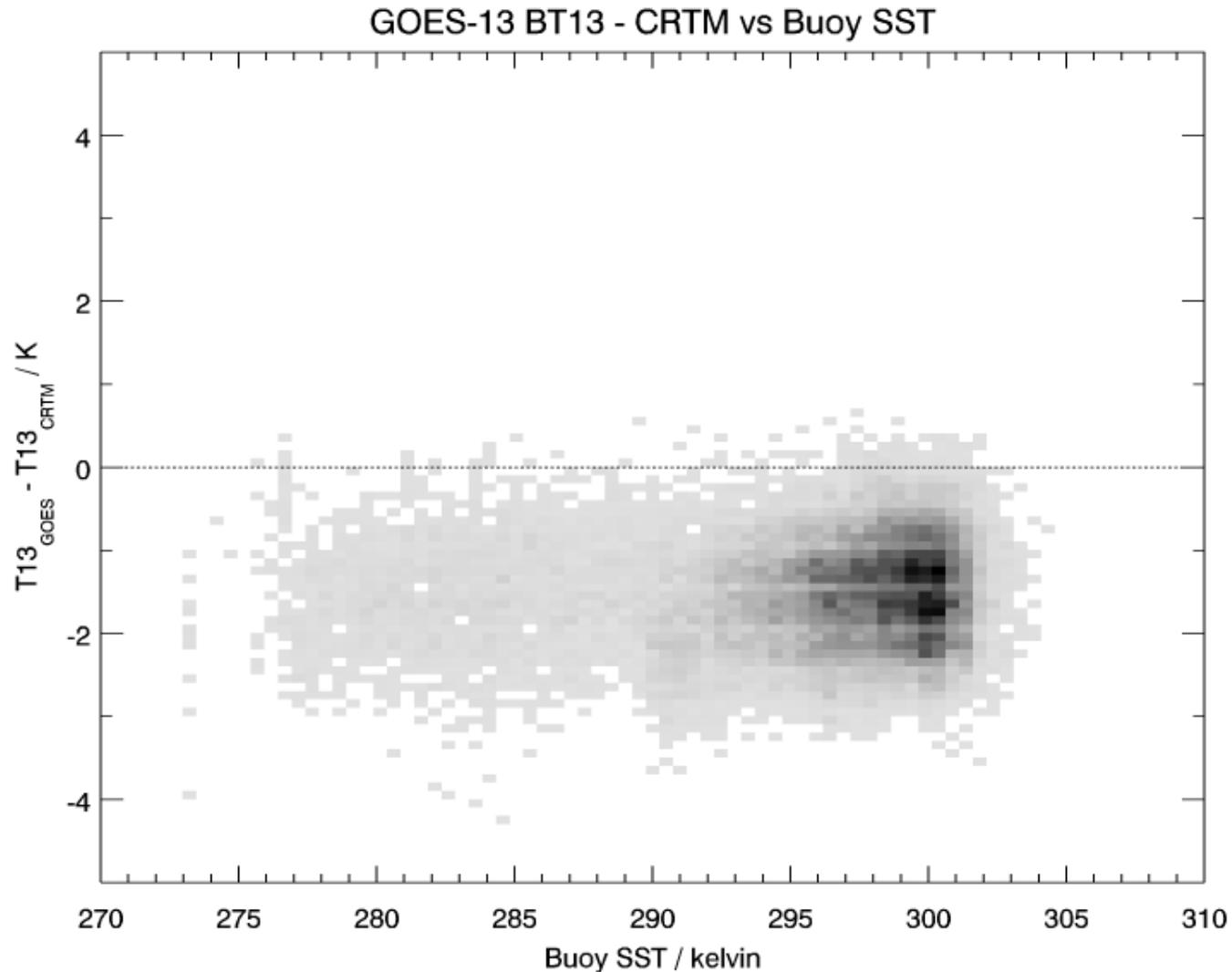
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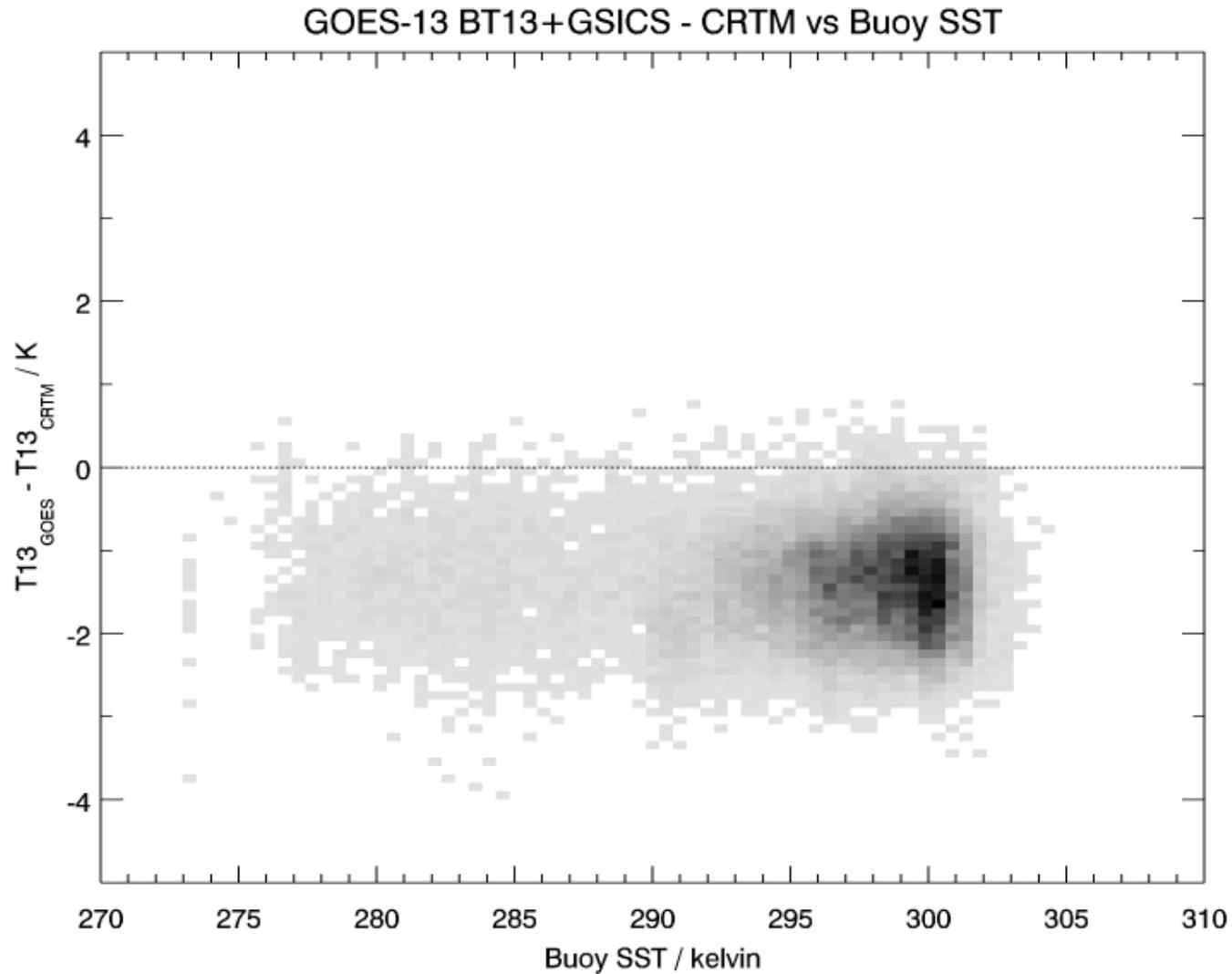
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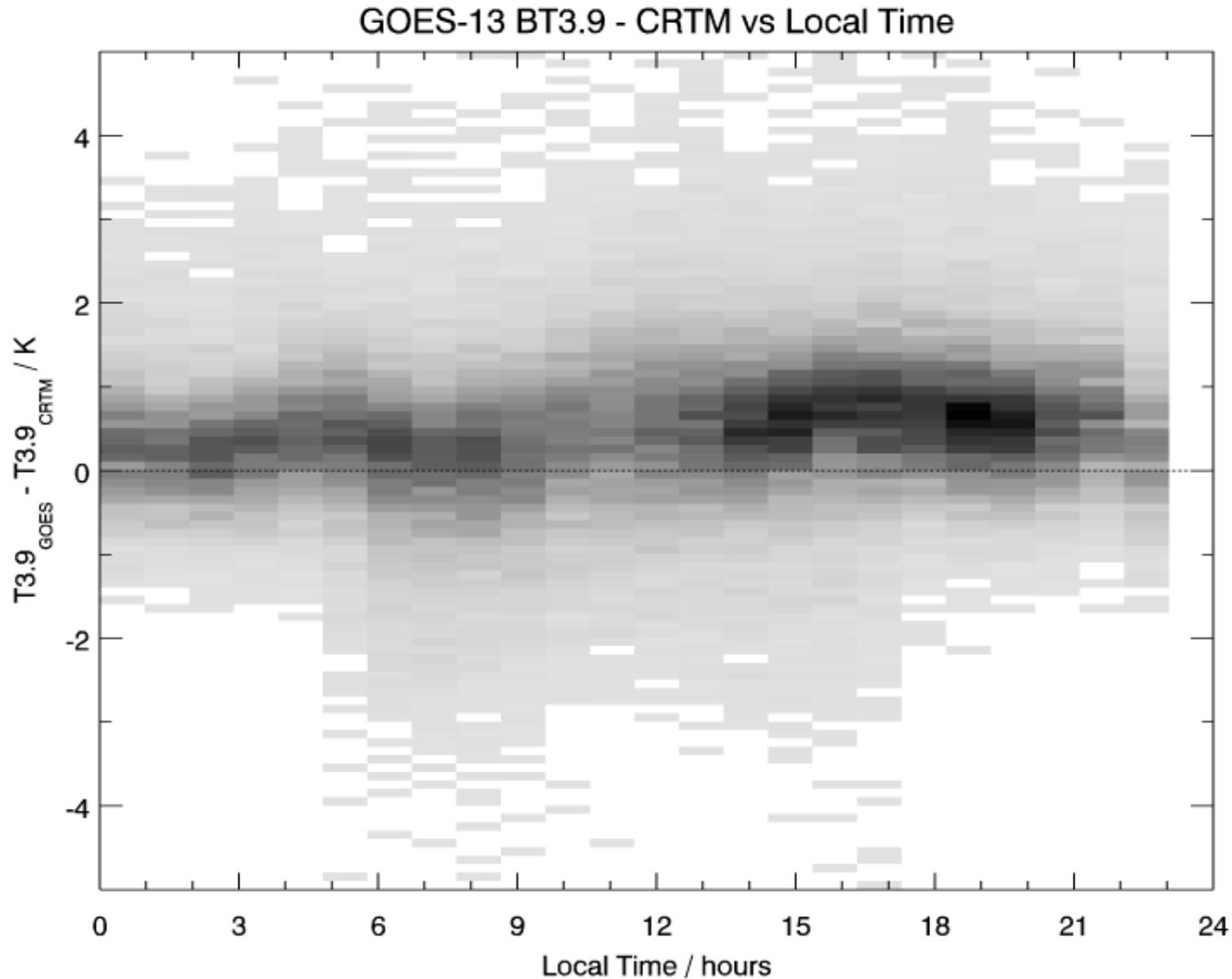
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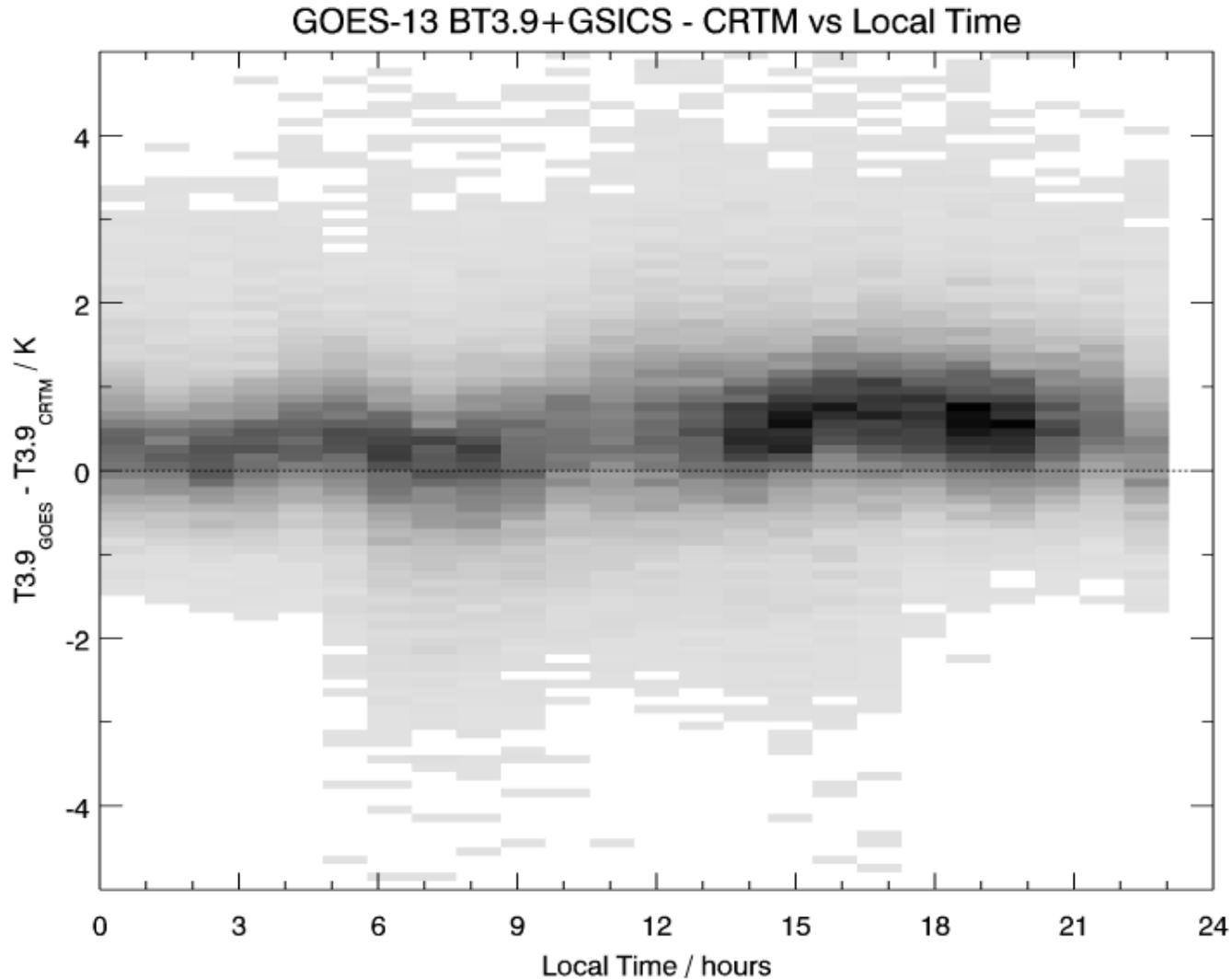
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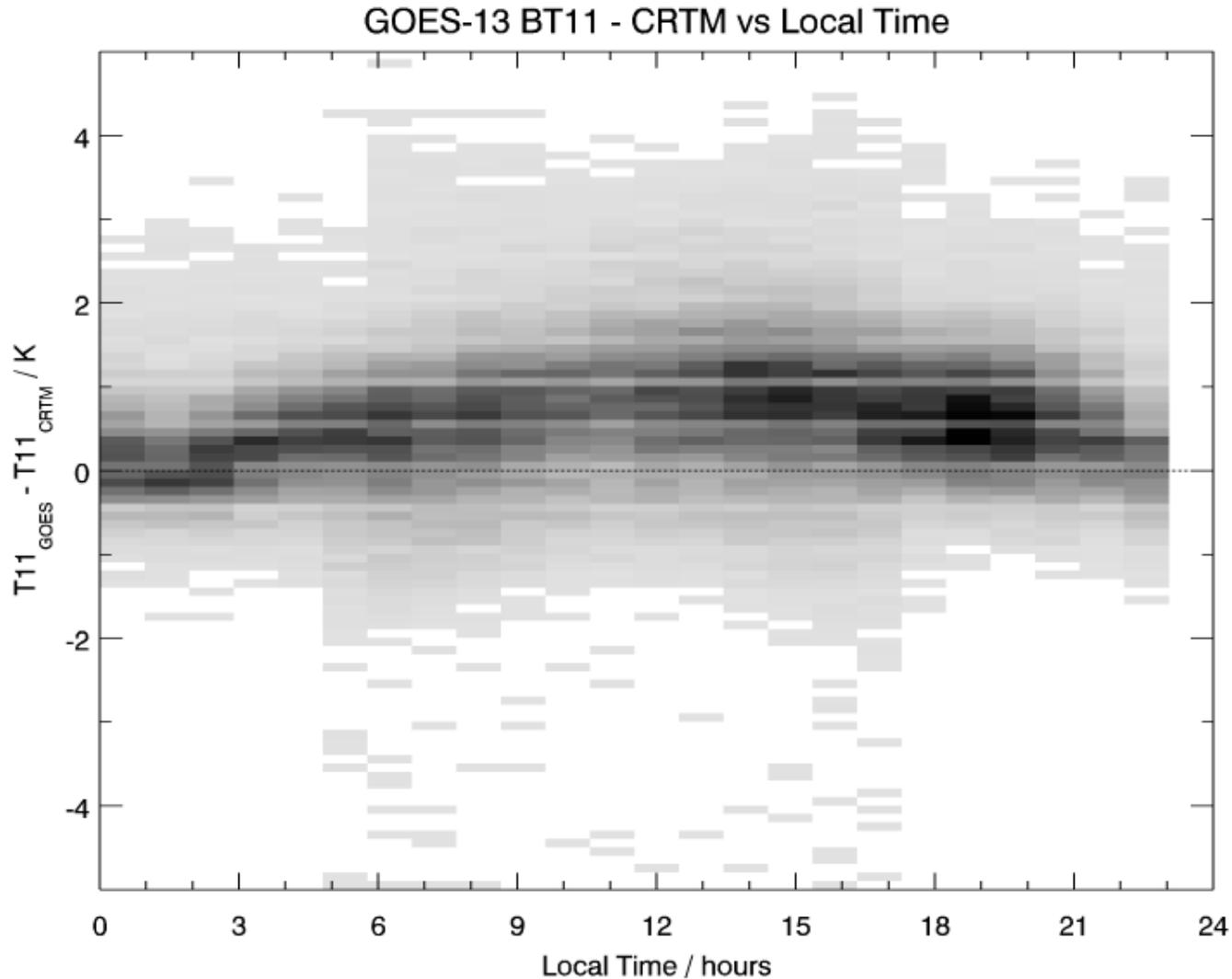
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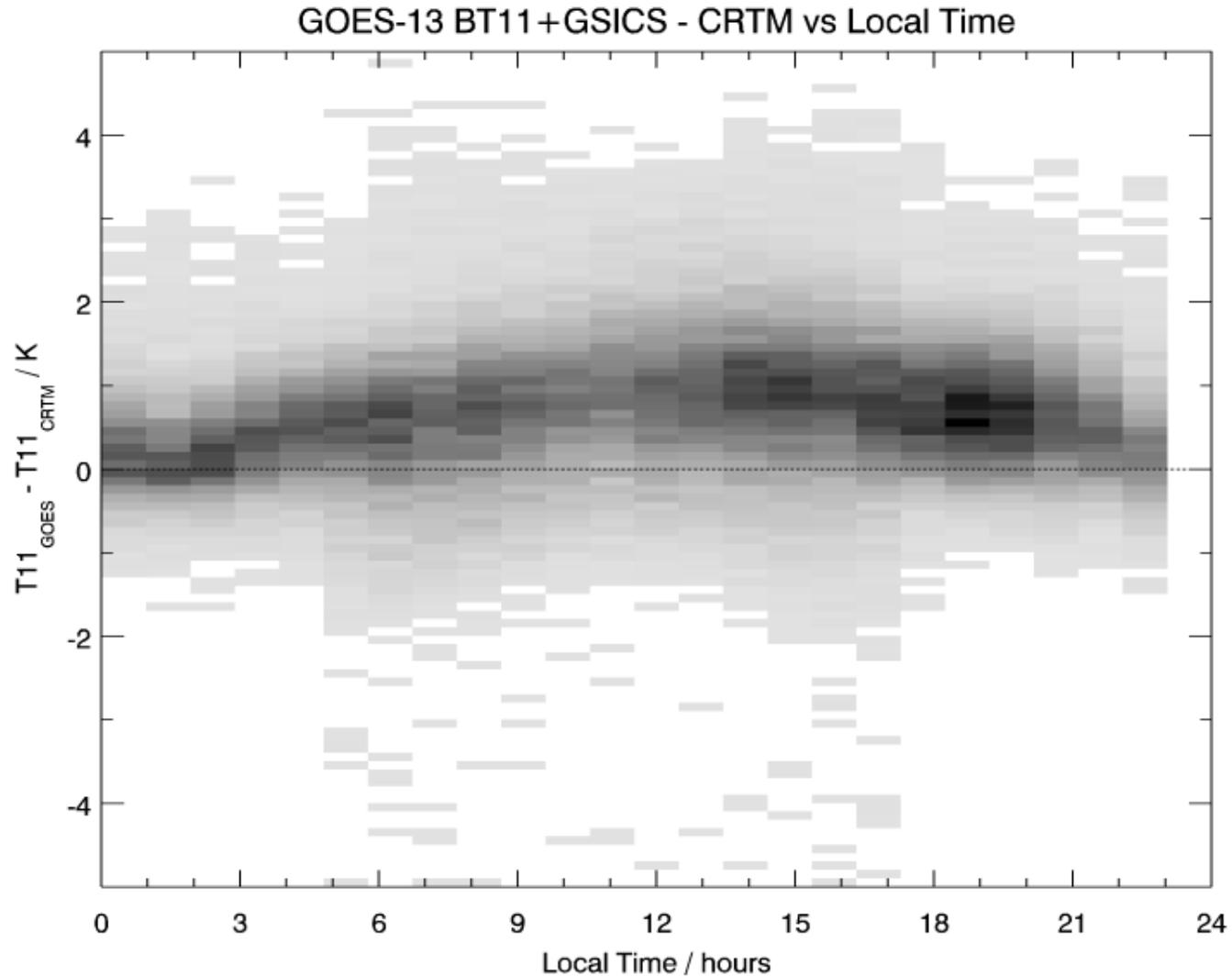
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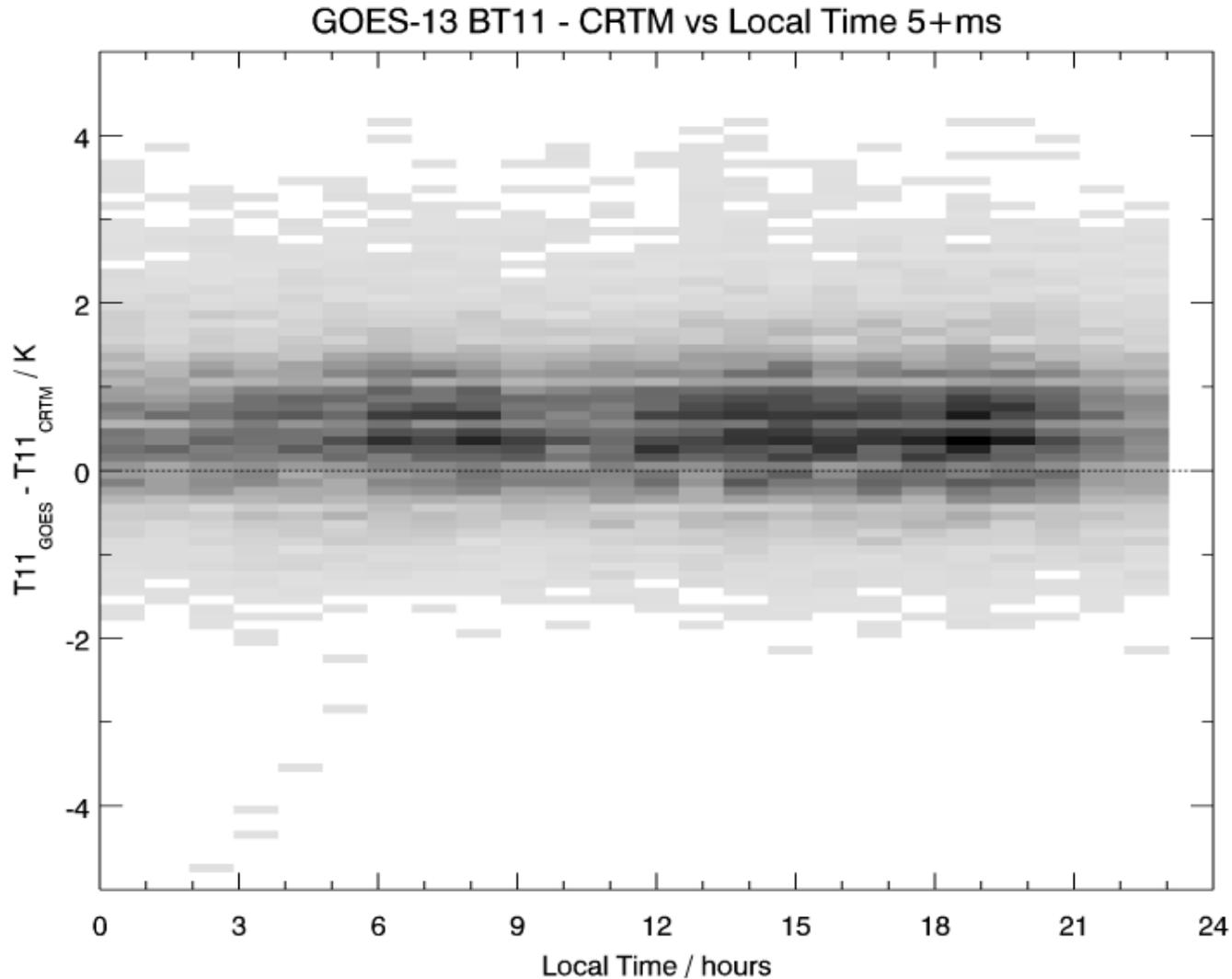
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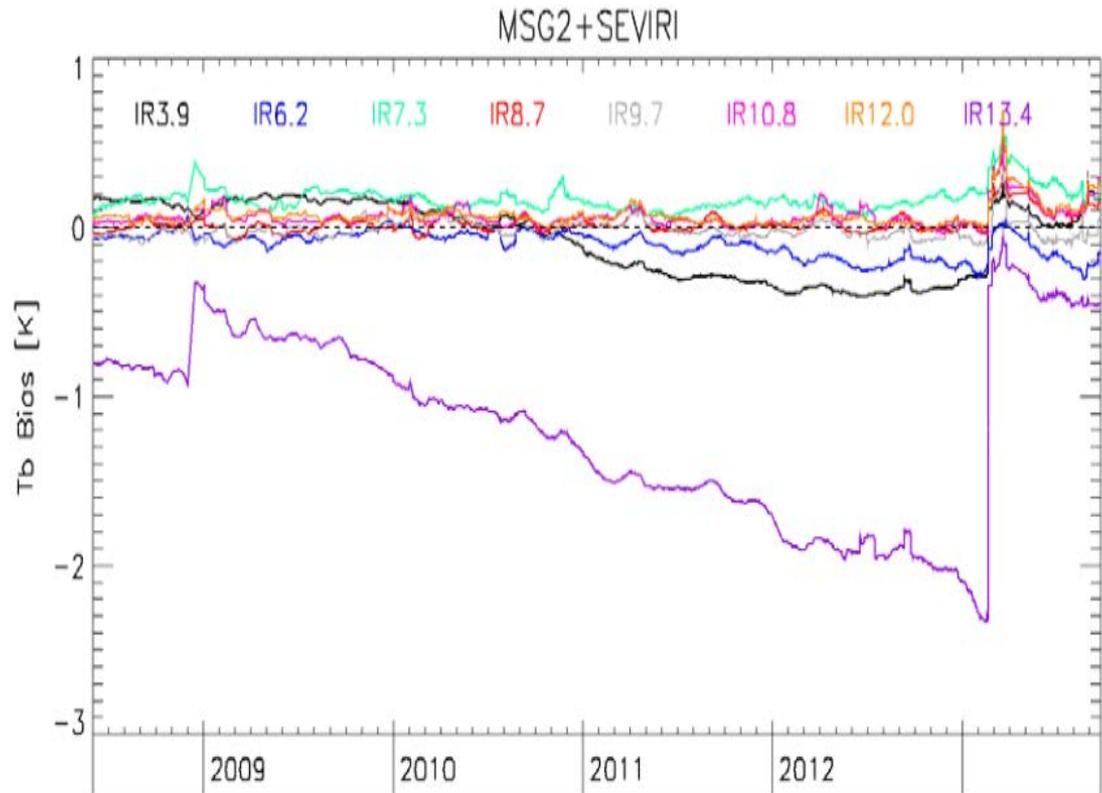
# THE CALIBRATION OF GEOSTATIONARY SATELLITES



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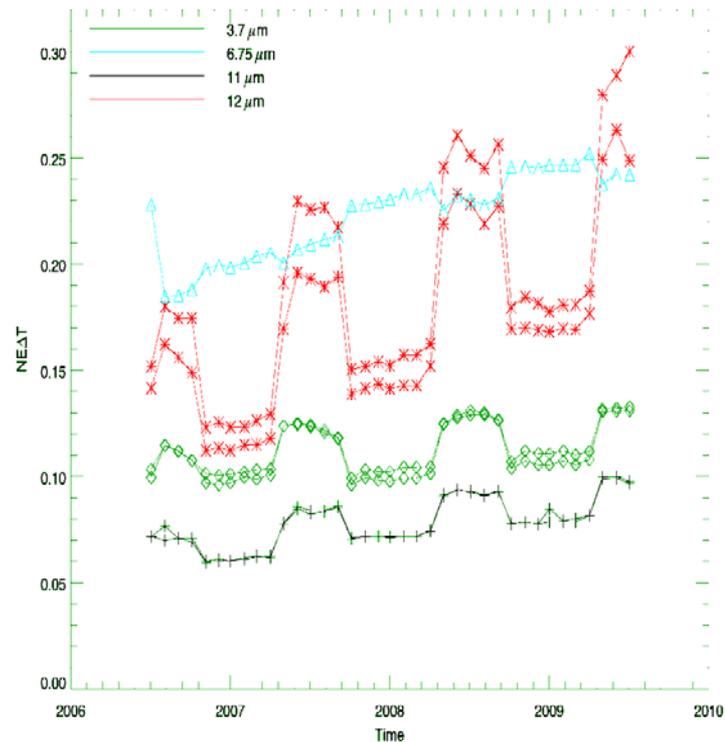
# SEVIRI ISSUES (2)

- Ice buildup on 13.4 $\mu\text{m}$  channel (Hewison & Müller 2013)
- Based on GSICS analysis
  - Compared to IASI
- Clearly see decontamination events
- Correction available for GSICS period
  - for climate may need to correct for earlier sensors



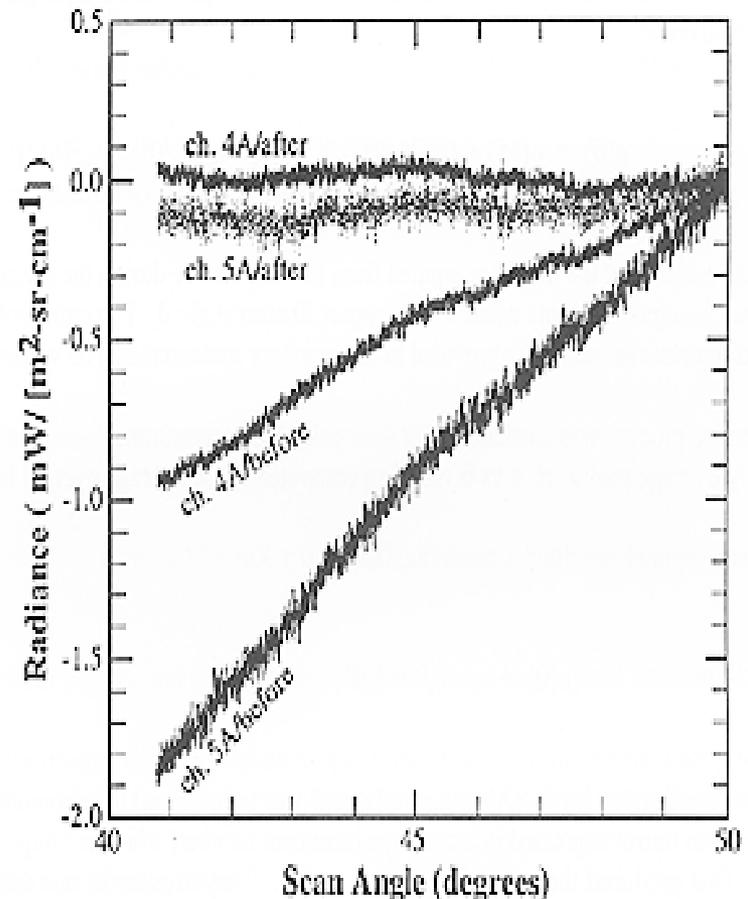
# GOES Issues (1)

- Requires two detector temperatures around a year
- Impacts the  $Ne\Delta T$ 
  - Seasonal variation
- Long term time variability
- Should not assume  $Ne\Delta T \dots$



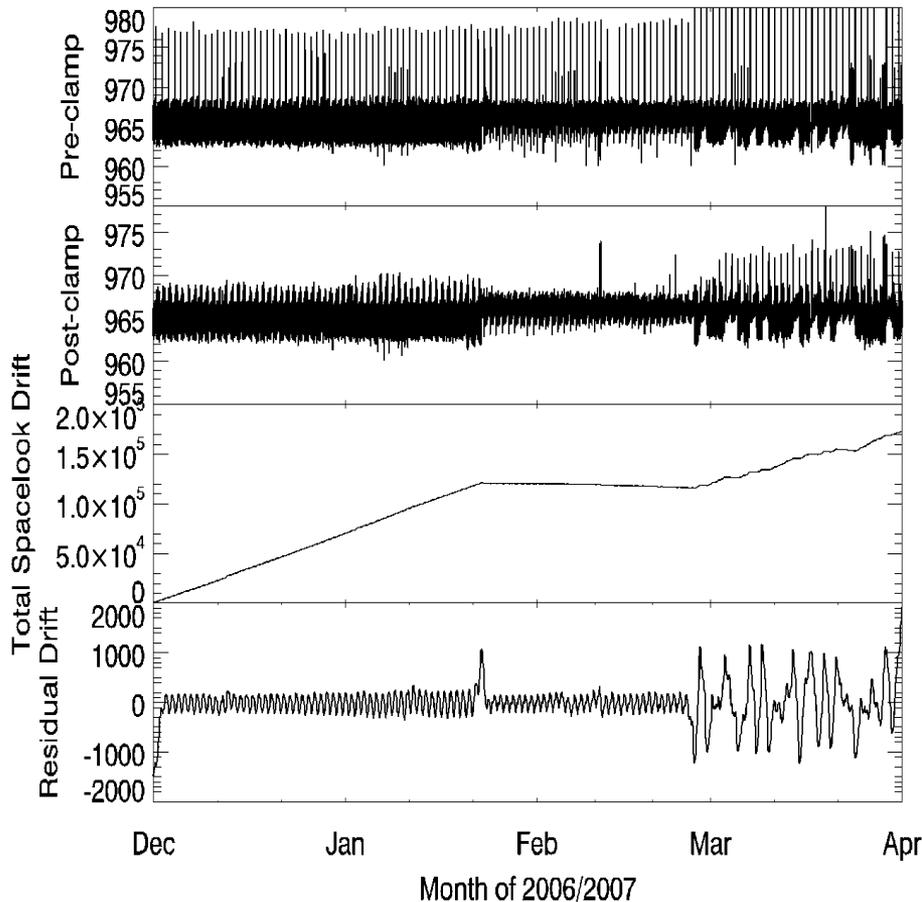
# GOES (2) - Mirror emissivity correction

- Paddle mirror means different incident angles for different scan locations
- Change in mirror emissivity
  - Variation in mirror radiance
- Effect up to a few Kelvin across scan
- Correction based on Space view scans



# GOES (3) – seasonal calibration problems

11  $\mu\text{m}$  Detector 1



Eclipse season

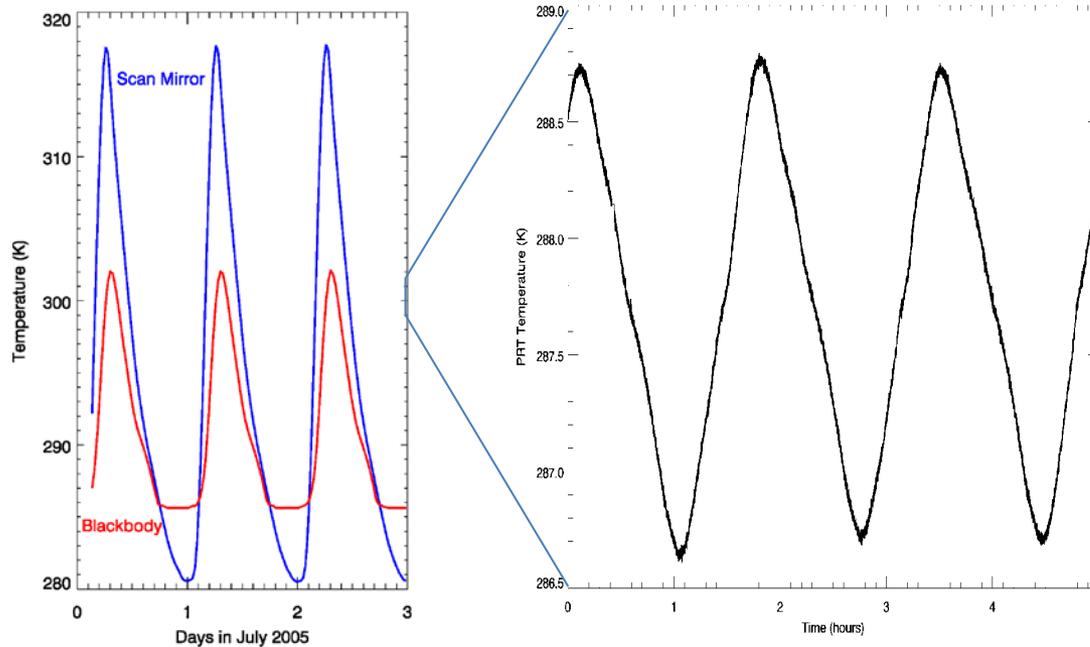
Use accumulated space counts as a proxy for the instrument self-emission radiance

Instrument well behaved until eclipse season (can see diurnal self emission variations)

When eclipse season starts instrument seems to go haywire...

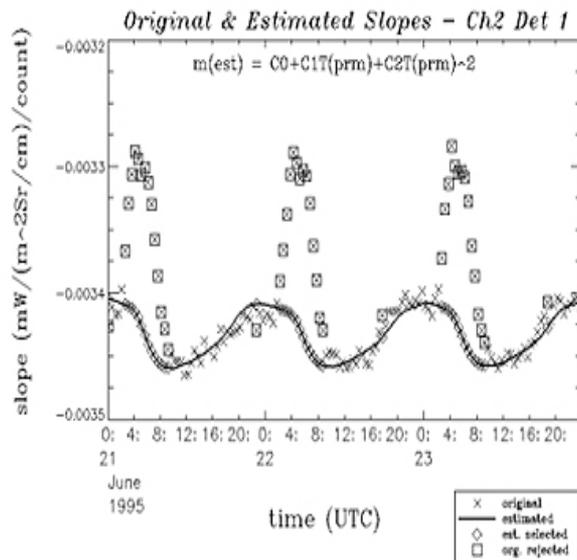
# GOES issues (4) – instrument temperatures

- 3-axis stabilized
  - Large thermal variations compared to LEO satellites

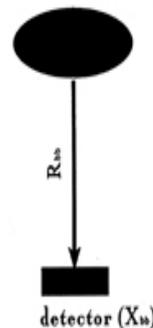


# The Midnight Blackbody Calibration Correction (MBCC)

- Corruption of the calibration system around the time of local midnight – stray light from a heated part of the instrument (thought to be the sun shield) reflected off BB

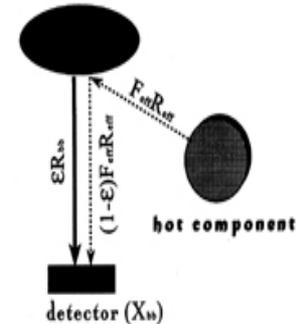


blackbody ( $\epsilon = 1$ )



$$m = \frac{R_{bb}}{X_{bb} - X_{sp}}$$

blackbody ( $\epsilon < 1$ )

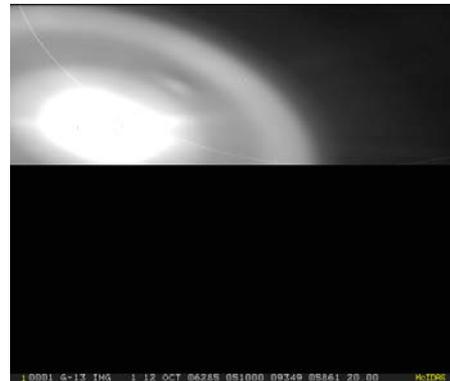


$$m_{true} = \frac{\epsilon R_{bb} + (1-\epsilon) F_{eff} R_{hot}}{X_{bb} - X_{sp}}$$

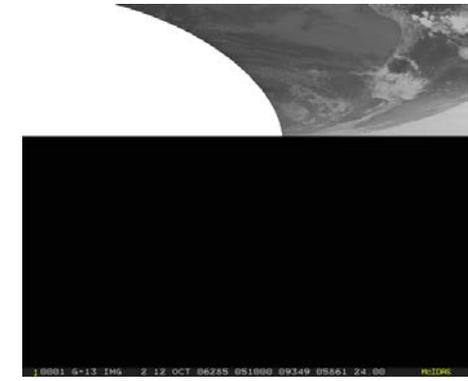
# Solar contamination

- Solar contamination in the image plane seen close to local midnight
  - Worst can be masked out
  - But still can have residual effects...

GOES-13

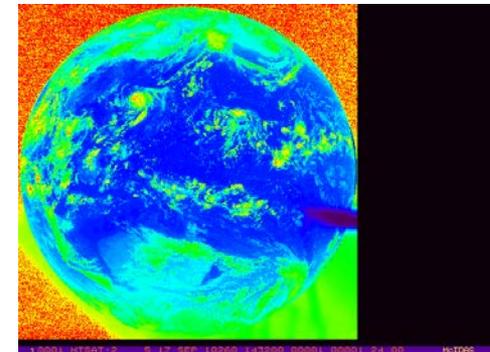
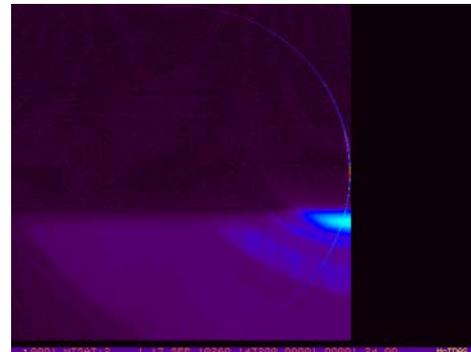


Visible



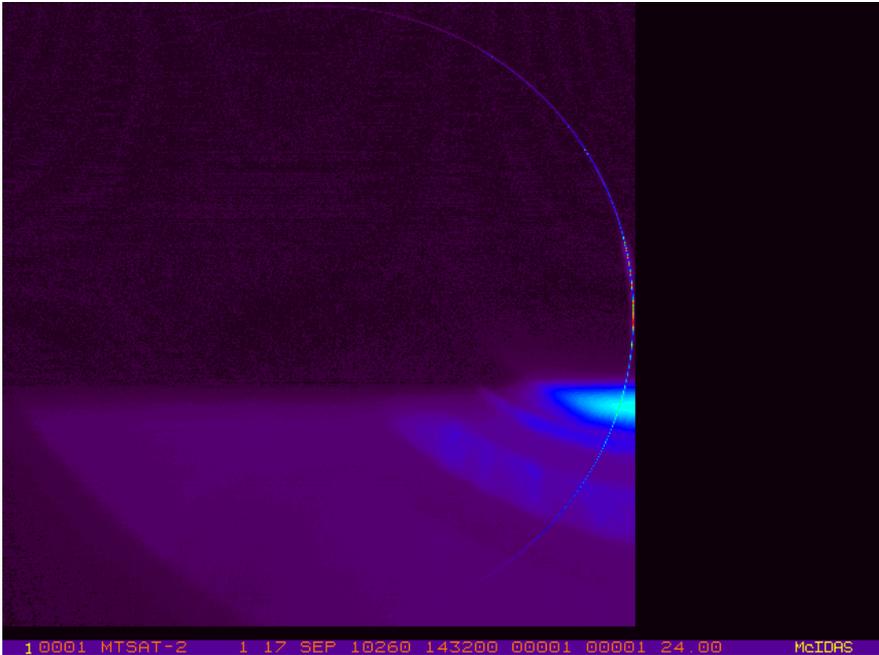
3.8μm

MTSAT-2

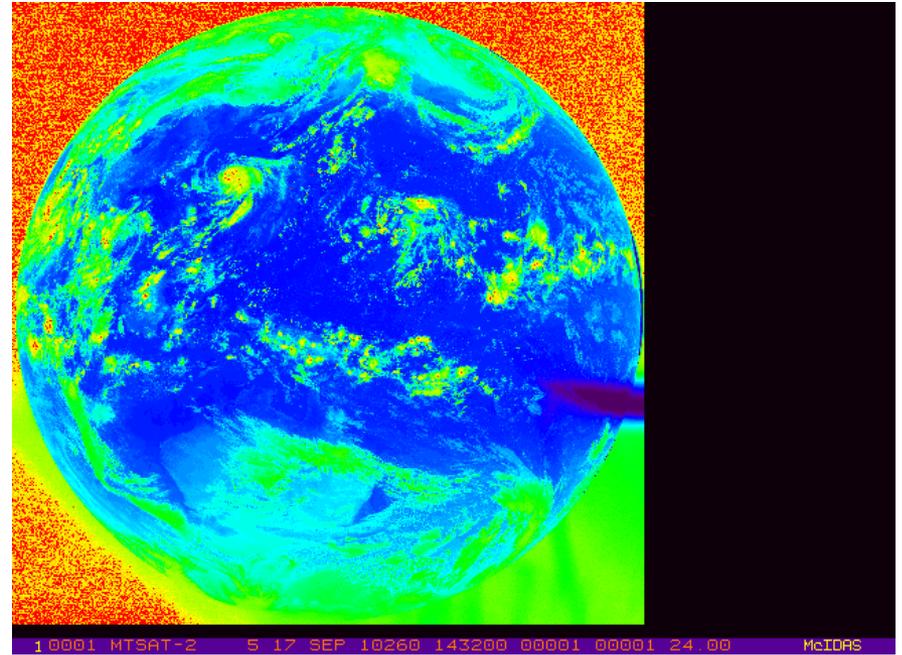


# Scattered light in MTSAT-2

Visible channel



3.9 micron channel



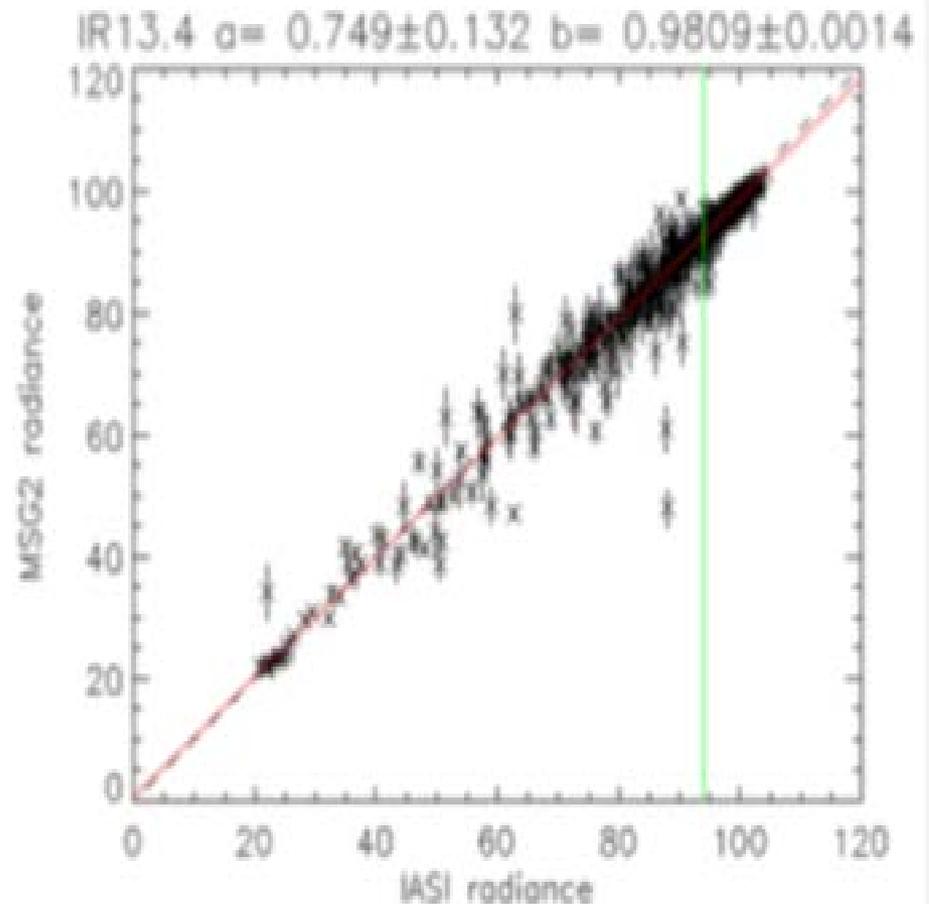
Occurs during eclipse season around local midnight

# Calibration fixes

- There are a number of different approaches to fix GEO calibration biases/error
  - GSICS (Global Space-based Inter-Calibration System)
    - Provides scene temperature dependent bias based on a linear model
  - Modification to calibration algorithms and/or recalibration
    - Updated MBCC algorithm
  - Model solar contamination
    - Doesn't work very well...

# GSICS + GOES

- Provides a correction to BTs
- Detailed Uncertainty analysis of matchup process applied (e.g. Hewison 2013)
- Ordinary Least Squares fit
  - This may introduce biases due to not taking into account uncertainties in both X & Y ordinates



Wu & Yu, 2013, GOES GSICS ATBD

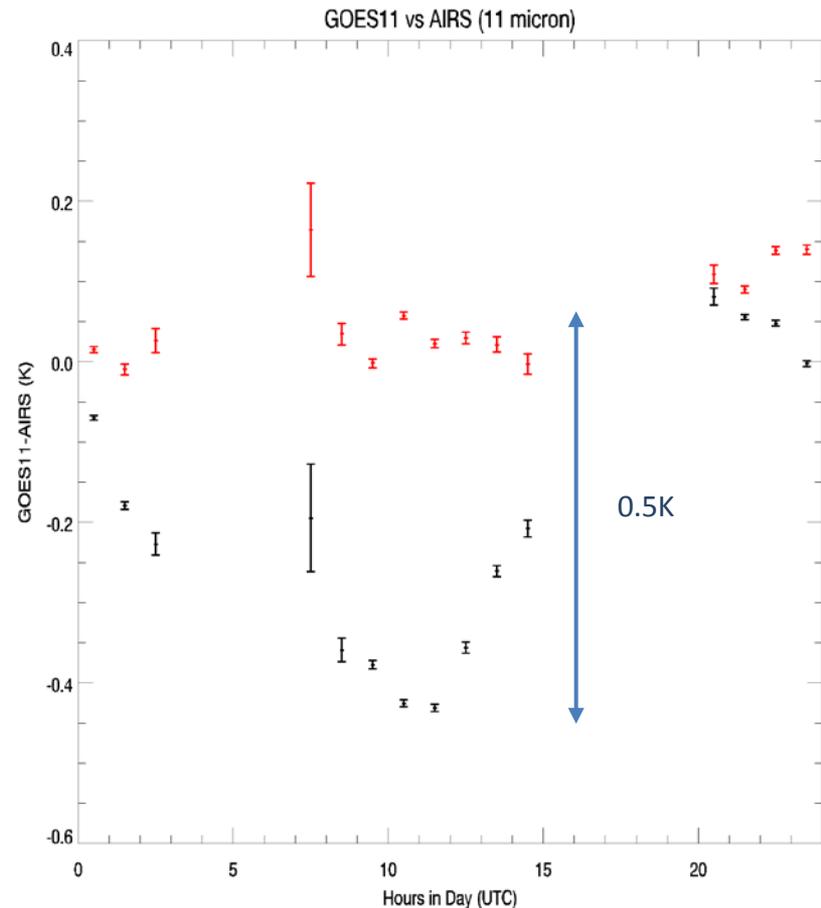
# GSICS corrections for goes

- Nighttime only data used for correction
- Data averaged over 30 days
  - Midnight effect not corrected for but added to uncertainty (Yu & Wu, 2012, “GSICS GOES-IASI Inter-Calibration Uncertainty Evaluation”)

Systematic Error	Ch2(3.9 $\mu\text{m}$ )	Ch3(6.5 $\mu\text{m}$ )	Ch4(10.7 $\mu\text{m}$ )	Ch6(13.3 $\mu\text{m}$ )	unit
Radiance bias at standard scenes	0.0047	0.0802	1.7695	1.8216	$\text{mW}/\text{m}^2/\text{Sr}/\text{cm}^{-1}$
Tb bias at standard scenes	-0.1928	-0.4455	-1.168	-1.2775	K

# Possible Solution: Update MBCC algorithm

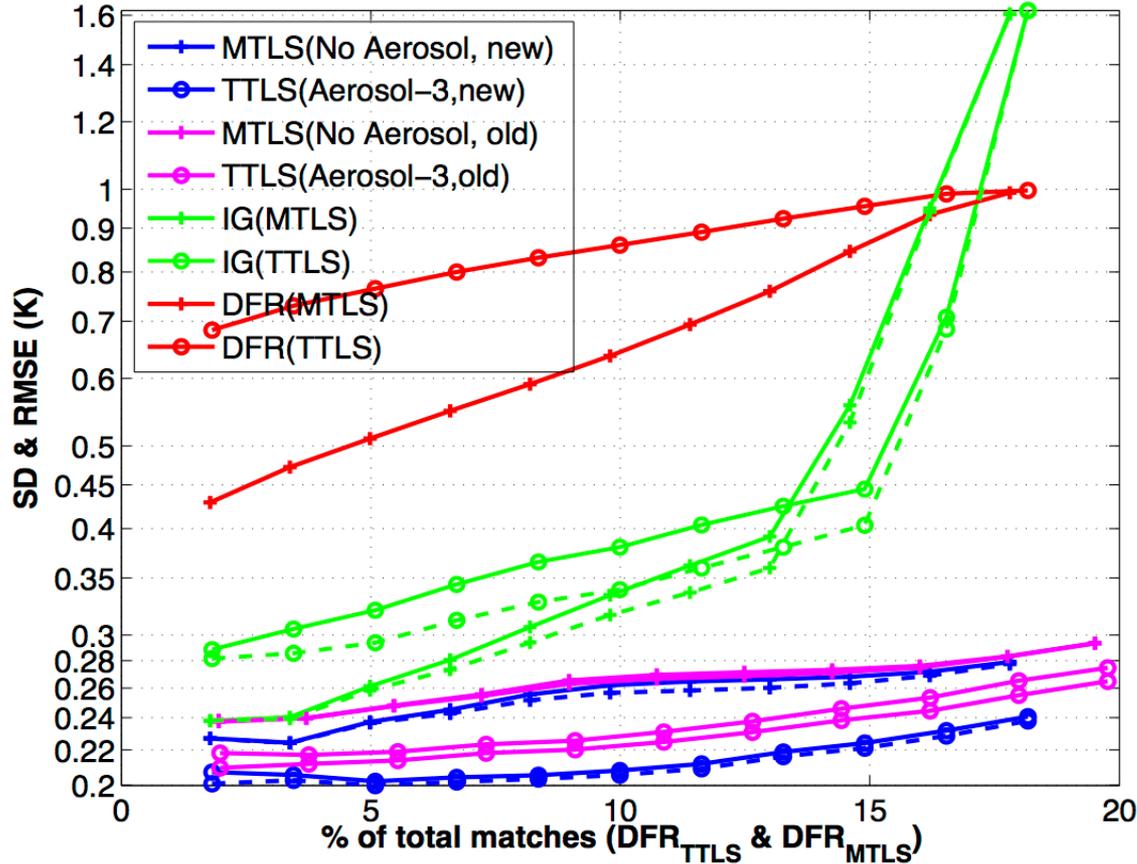
- Can correct by updating MBCC
  - Change algorithm on th basis of physical model
- Initial tests indicate can significantly improve calibration
- BUT
  - Currently only theoretical
  - **Not included in operations**



- **Put aerosol information in the CRTM**
  - NGAC profiles, multiple species (dust, salt, sulfate, soot)
  - Improve match of RTM to observation
  - Does this improve retrieval?
- **Put aerosol in the retrieval vector**
  - Allow Total Column Aerosol to vary
  - $\mathbf{x} = [\text{SST}, \text{WV}, \text{TCA}]^T$
  - Jacobian now includes  $\partial T / \partial \text{TCA}$  for each channel
  - Does this improve retrieval?
- **MTLS developed for 2-parameter retrieval**
  - Try different regularization operator since problem is now more ill-conditioned: **Truncated Total Least Squares (TTLS)**

$$|\Delta \mathbf{y}| \leq 1: \lambda = (\sigma_{\text{end}-1})^2 \quad |\Delta \mathbf{y}| > 1: \lambda = (\sigma_{\text{end}-1} / \log(|\Delta \mathbf{y}|))^2$$

# Inclusion of aerosol



- Accuracy with TTLS & joint [SST, WV, TCA] ~0.2 K
- Algorithm sensitivity is also improved *cf.* MTLS
  - Koner, P.K. & A. Harris, *Remote Sensing*, 2016 (in review)

# SST Requirements: Summary

- Accuracy requirements for SST are high
  - <0.1 K (see MODIS example for indication)
- Physical retrievals use forward-modeled BTs
  - Retrievals are dependent on ability to correctly model ToA BTs with appropriate physical relationships
  - Important not to conflate calibration with characterization
- GSICS dataset is very powerful
  - Offers prospect of diagnosing and partitioning error sources
- 3-axis stabilized geostationary imagers have significant calibration issues due to thermal environment
  - Their use in diurnal studies make proper removal of calibration artifacts important