

On-ground calibration of Xtend for XRISM

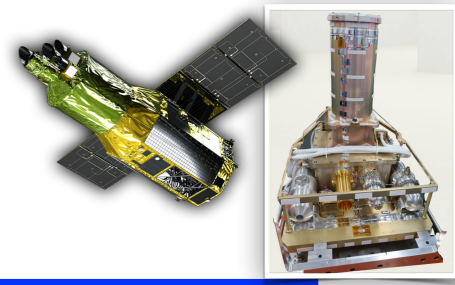
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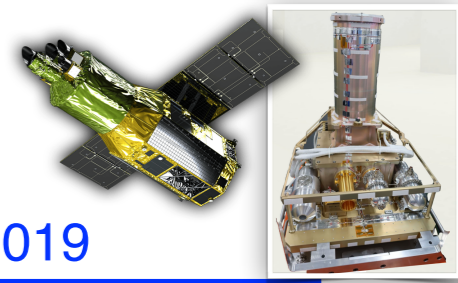


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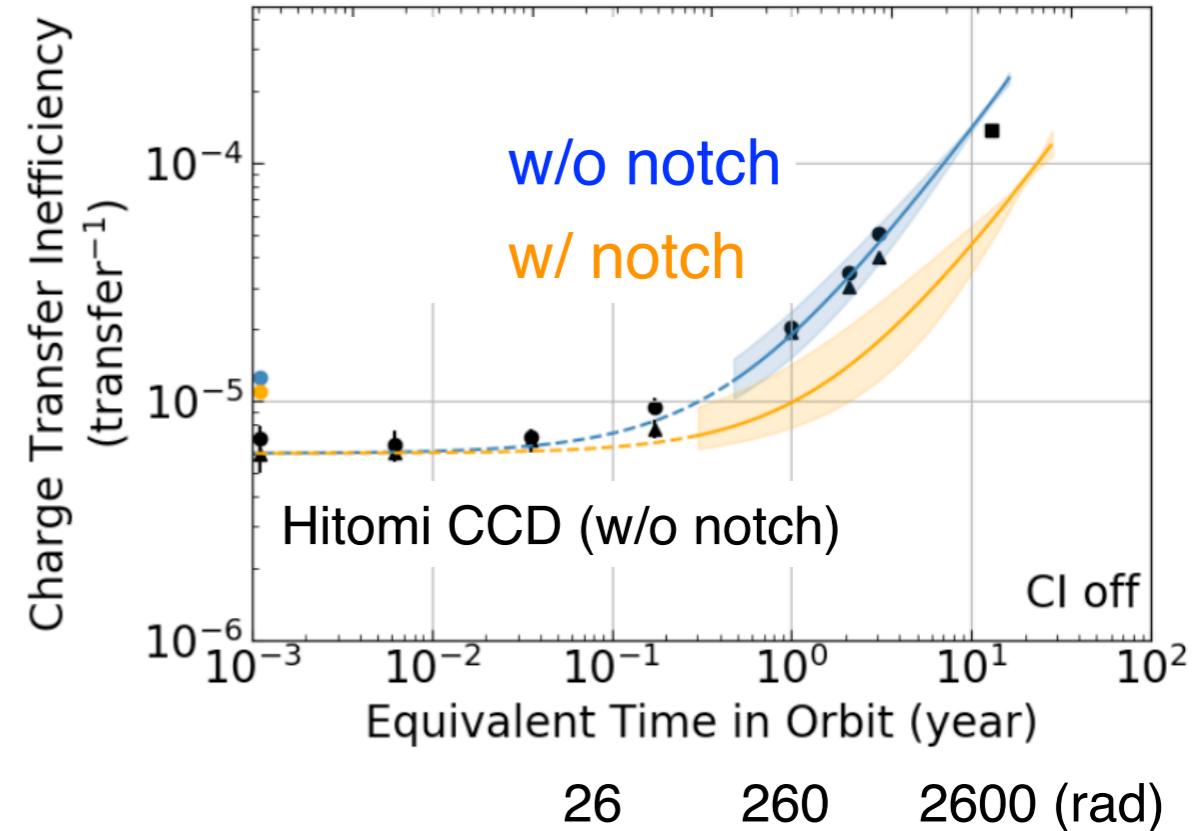
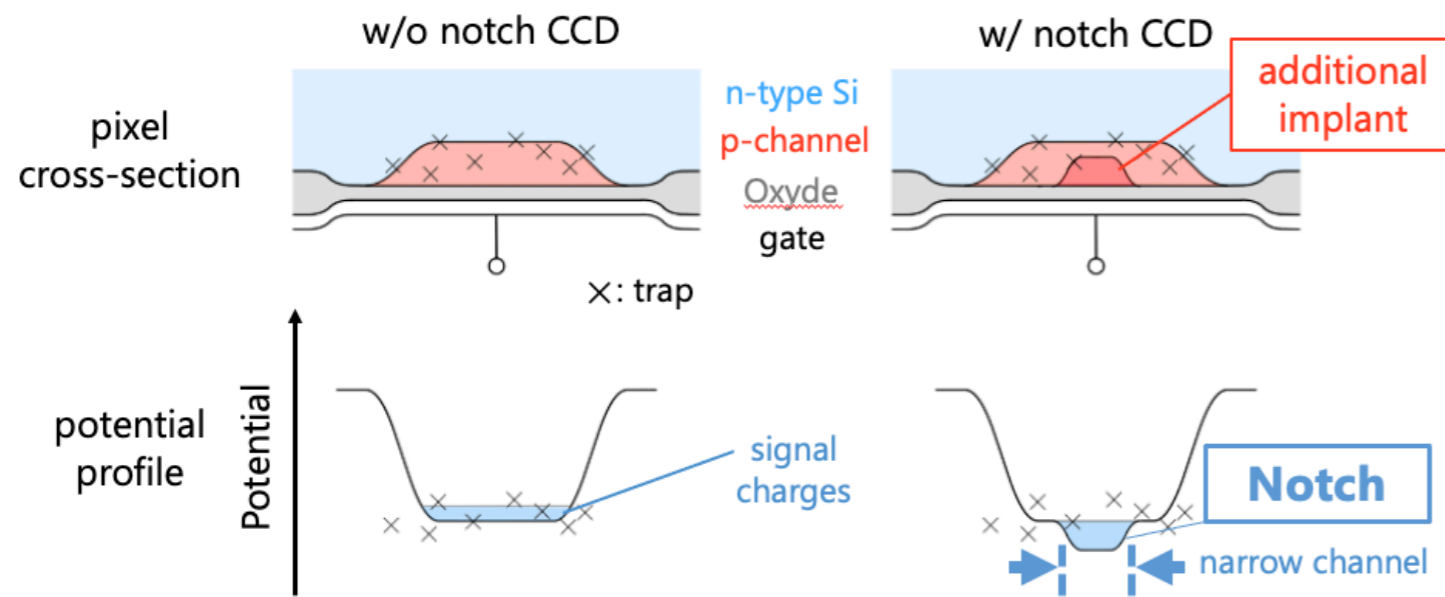
Talk plan



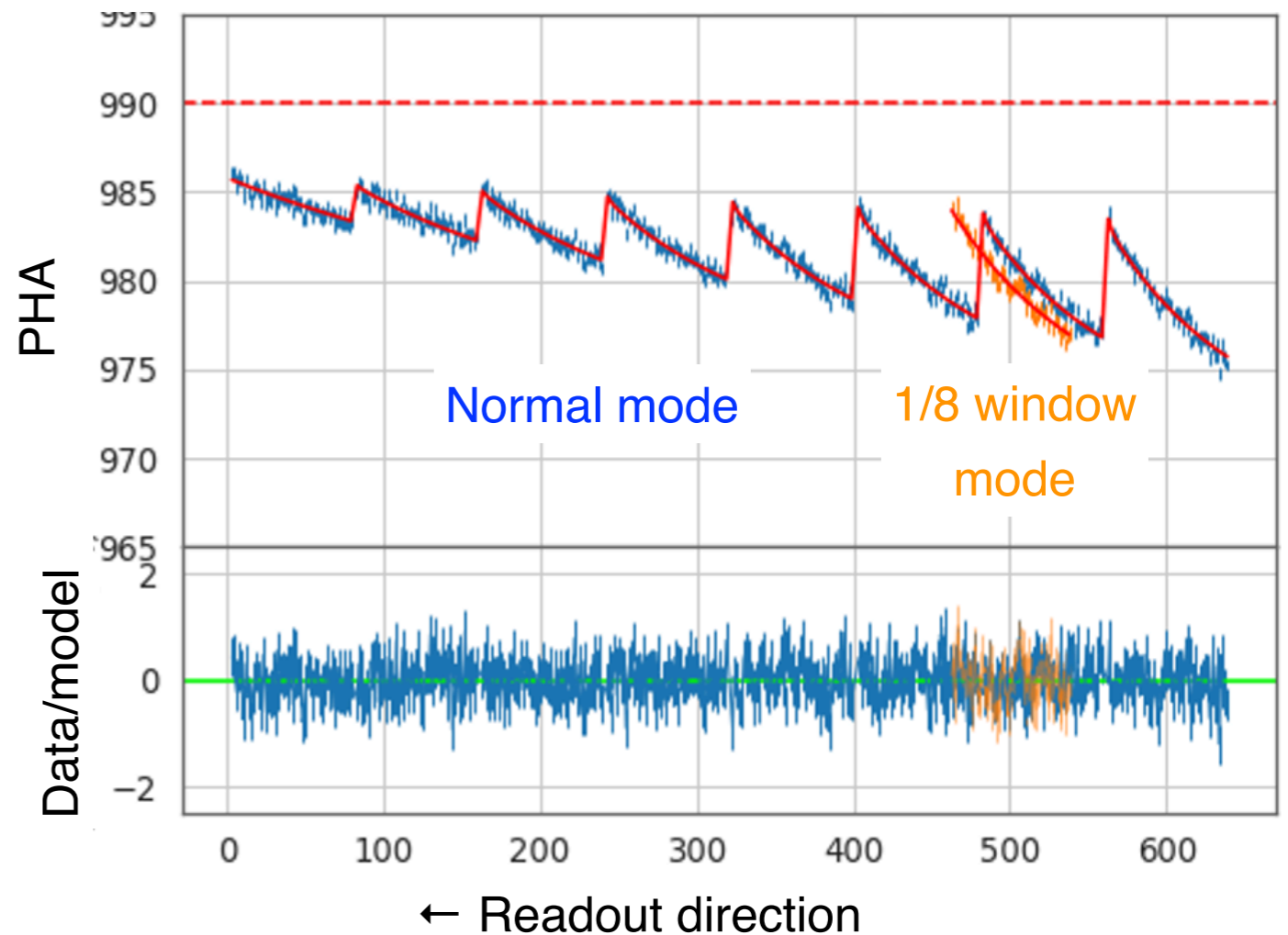
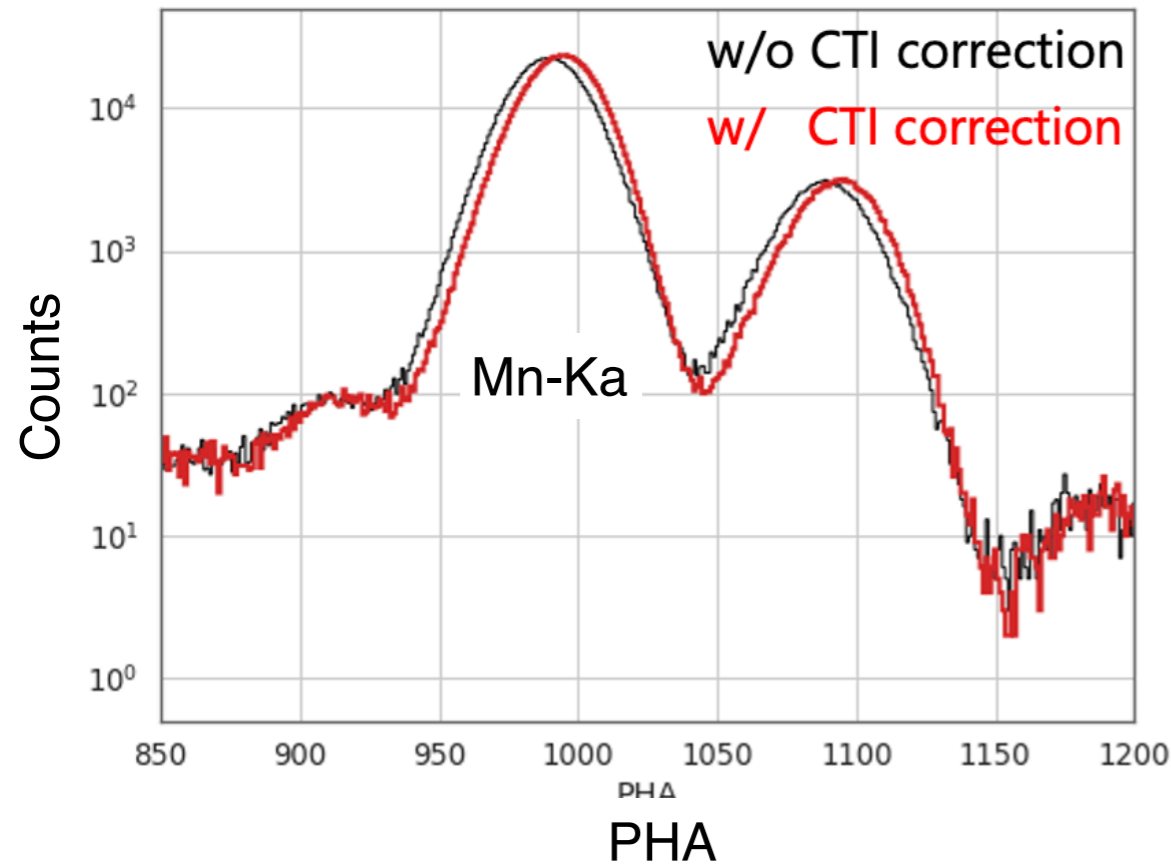
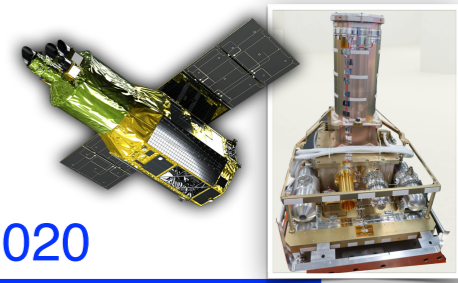
- Radiation tolerance
- CTI correction
- Optical blocking performance
- Quantum efficiency
- Performance verification and parameter optimization in thermal-vacuum test
 - cooler & heater health check
 - spectral performance
 - charge injection
 - RI verification
 - nominal operation rehearsal
- Effective area
- CCD arrangement
- CCD response



(Kanemaru et al. 2019)

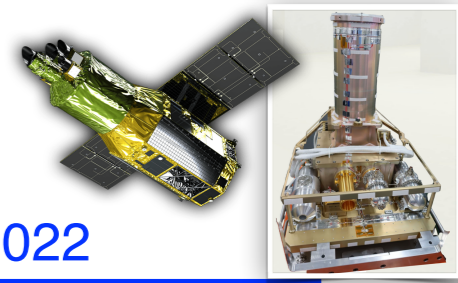


- Notch structure → suppress charge trap
→ improve CTI (charge transfer inefficiency) & radiation tolerance
- 2–3x improvement in tolerance confirmed with proton irradiation experiment



- CTI depends on positions
- Constructed a model to explain spatially dependent CTI
- CTI also depends on incoming X-ray flux, but it is negligible when CI (charge injection) is ON

(Kanemaru et al. 2020)

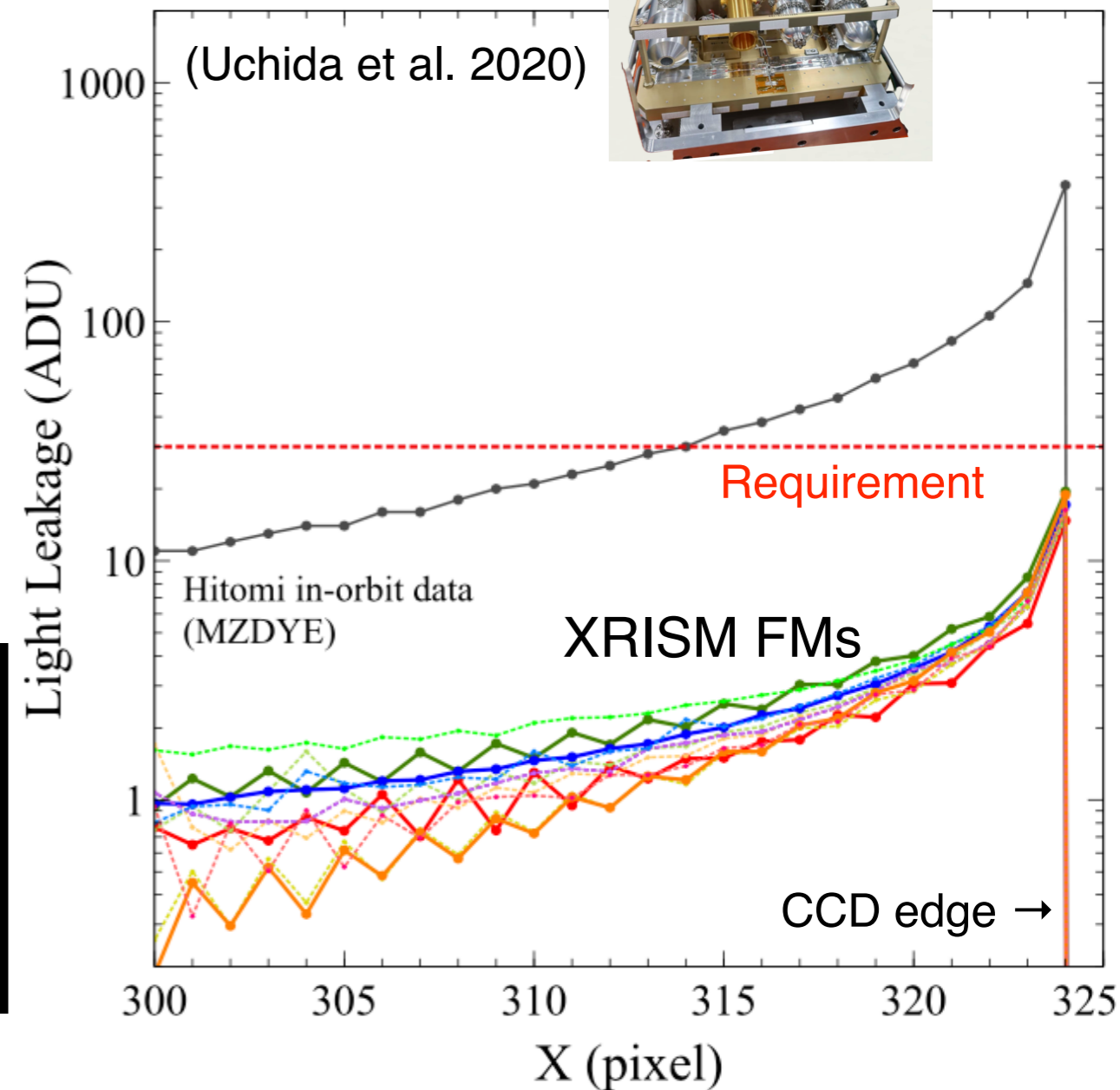
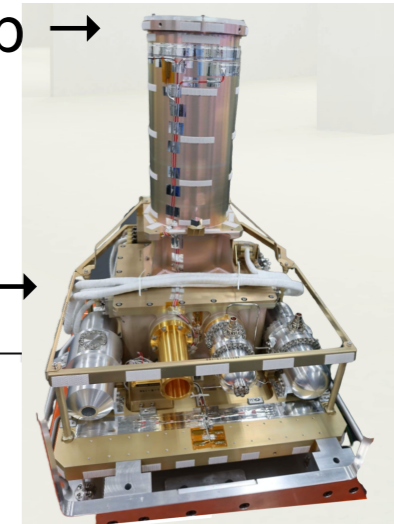


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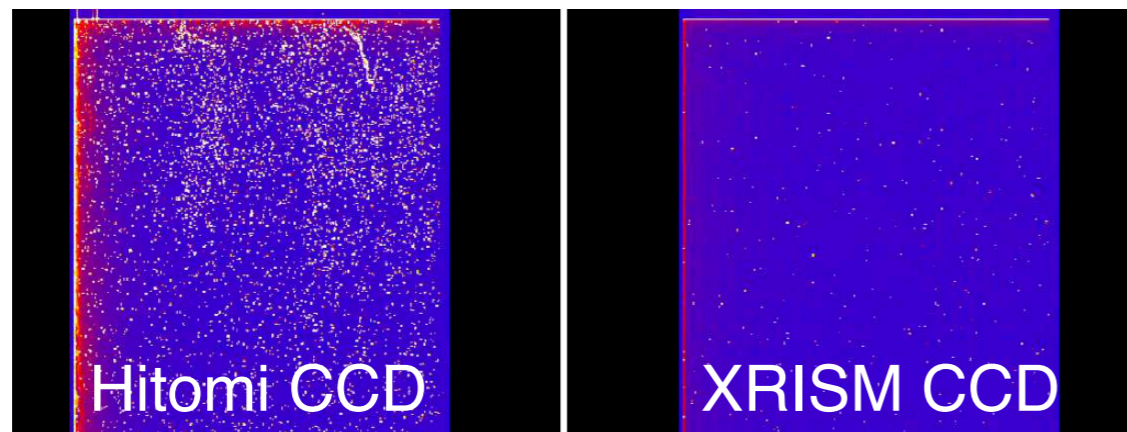
- Optical light irradiation to CCDs
→ $< 10^{-4}$ transmission at OBLs
(optical blocking layers) on CCDs
- Optical light irradiation to CBF
(contamination blocking filter)
→ $< 10^{-3}$ transmission
- Leak check at thermal-vacuum test
→ confirmed sufficiently small number
of pinholes

CBF on the top →

CCD in housing →

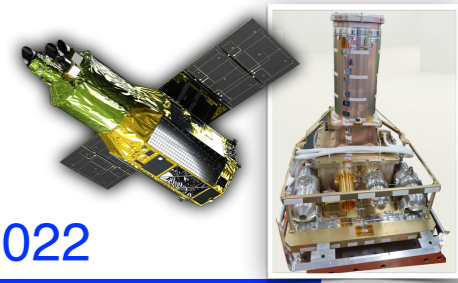


Optical light irradiation

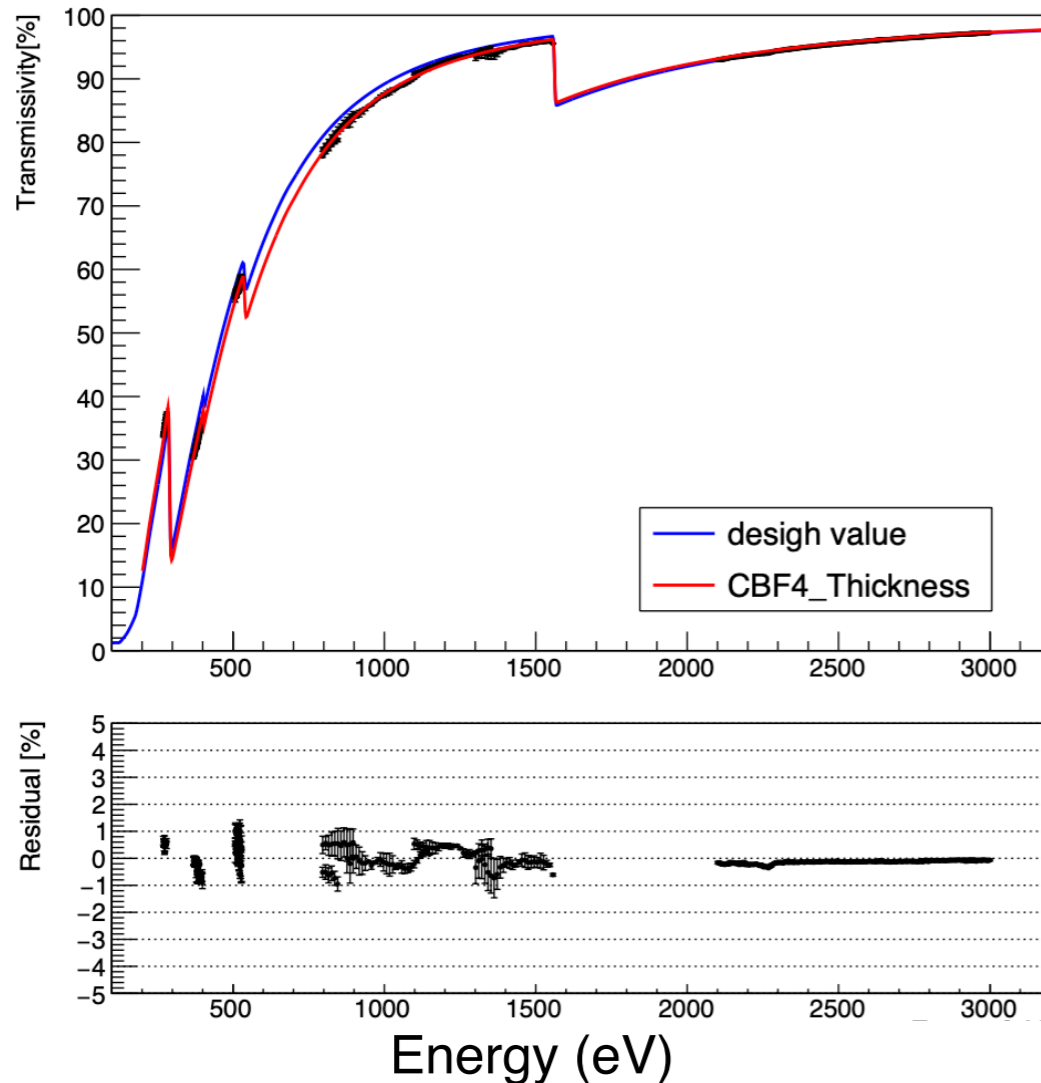


CBF (contam. blocking filter), OBL (optical blocking layer)

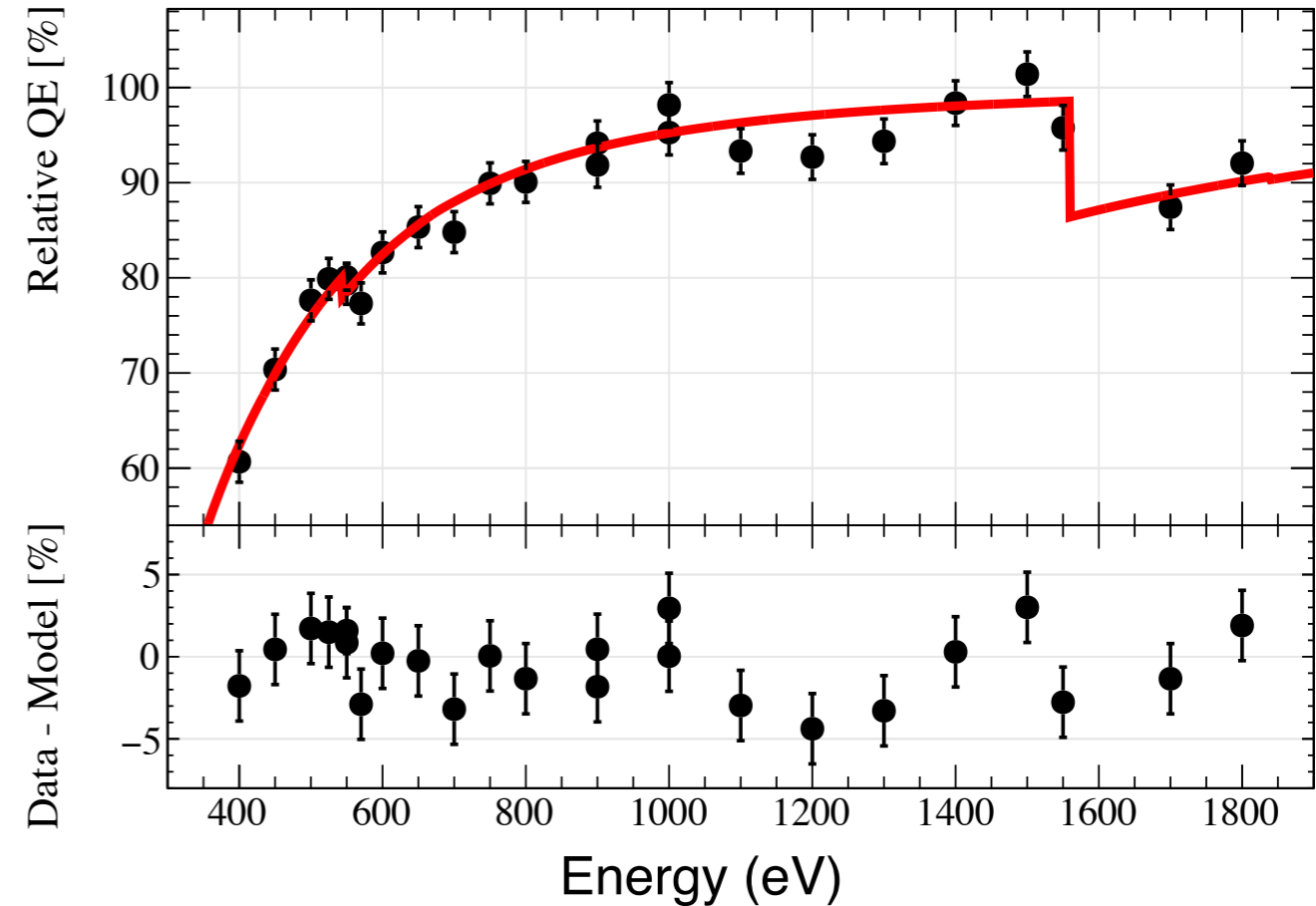
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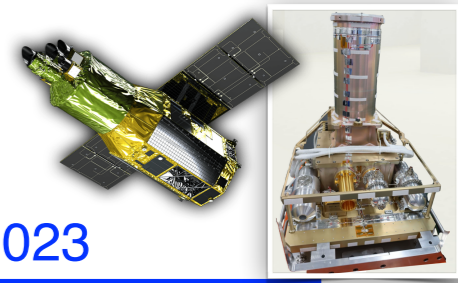
CBF transmissivity vs. energy



OBL transmissivity vs. energy

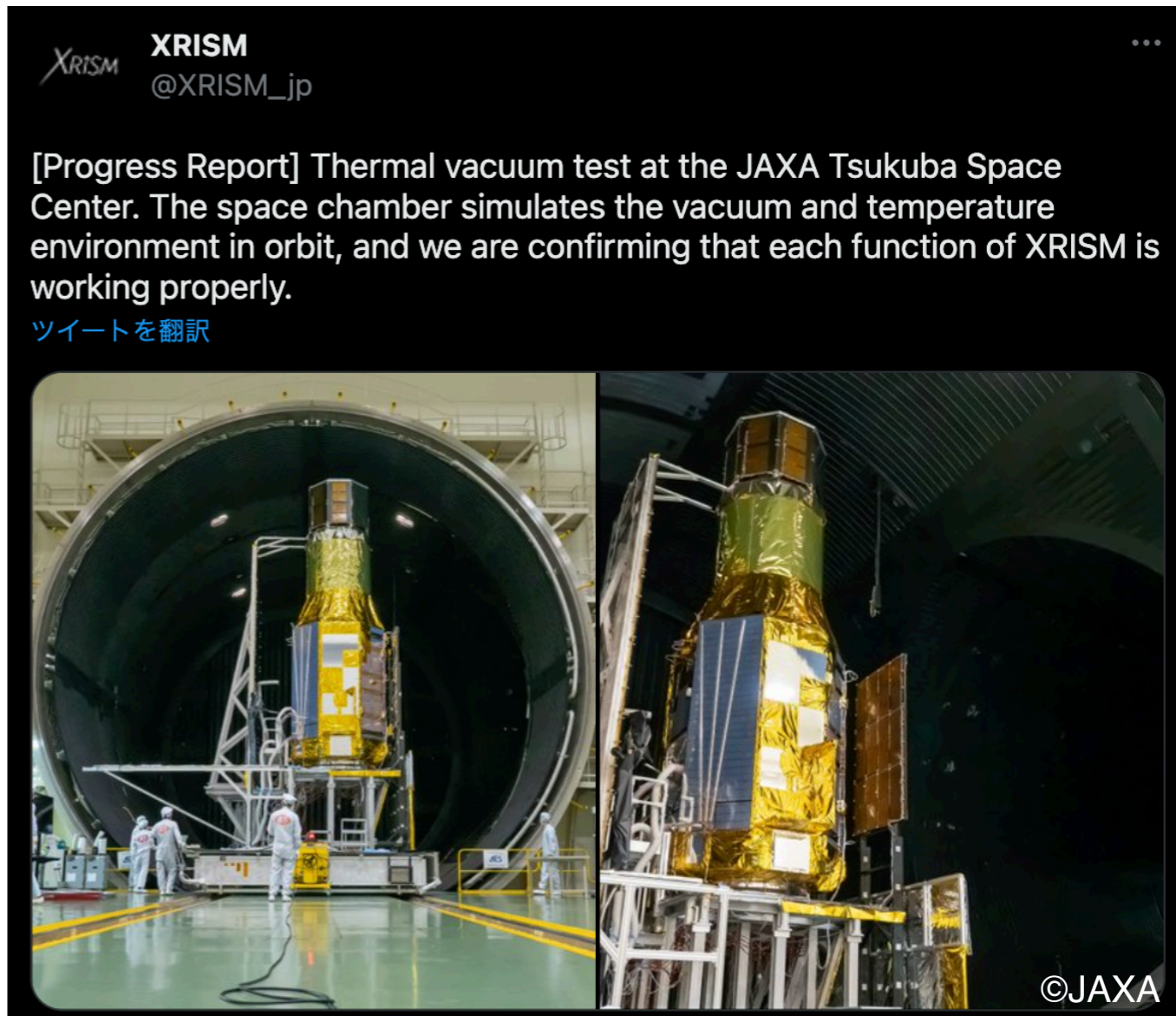


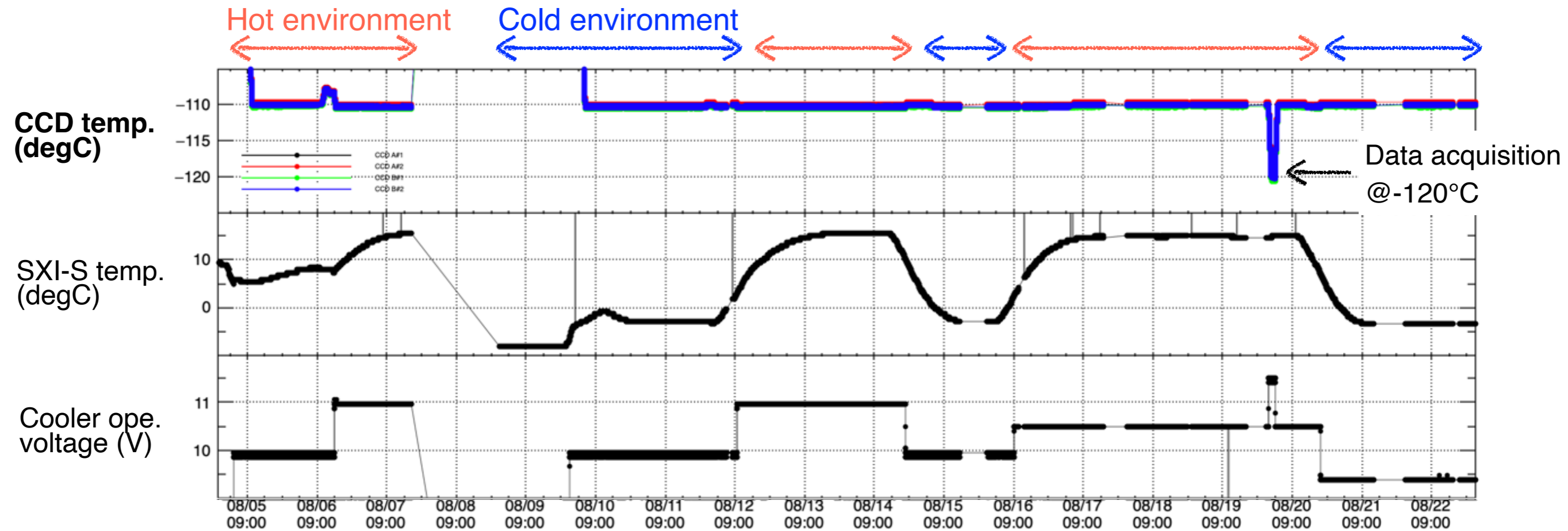
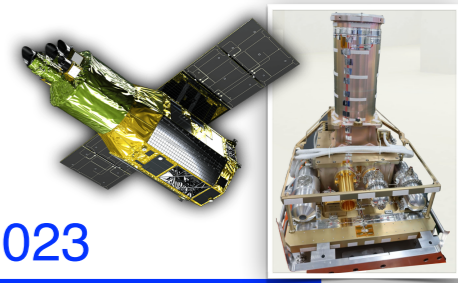
- X-ray beam irradiation to determine CBF & OBL thicknesses
- OBL: Al 228 ± 8 nm ($\sim 2x$ Hitomi, as designed)
- CBF: Al 109.8 ± 0.7 nm + Polyimide 238.2 ± 0.5 nm



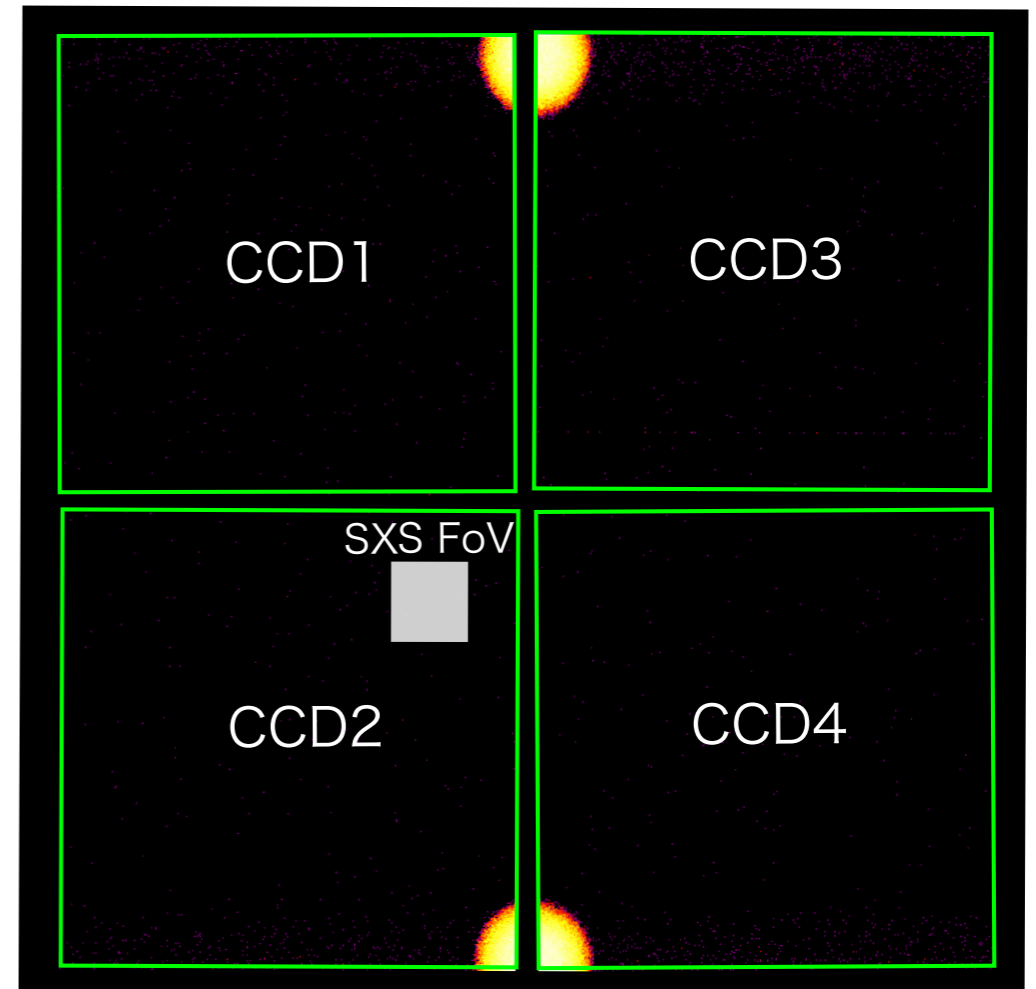
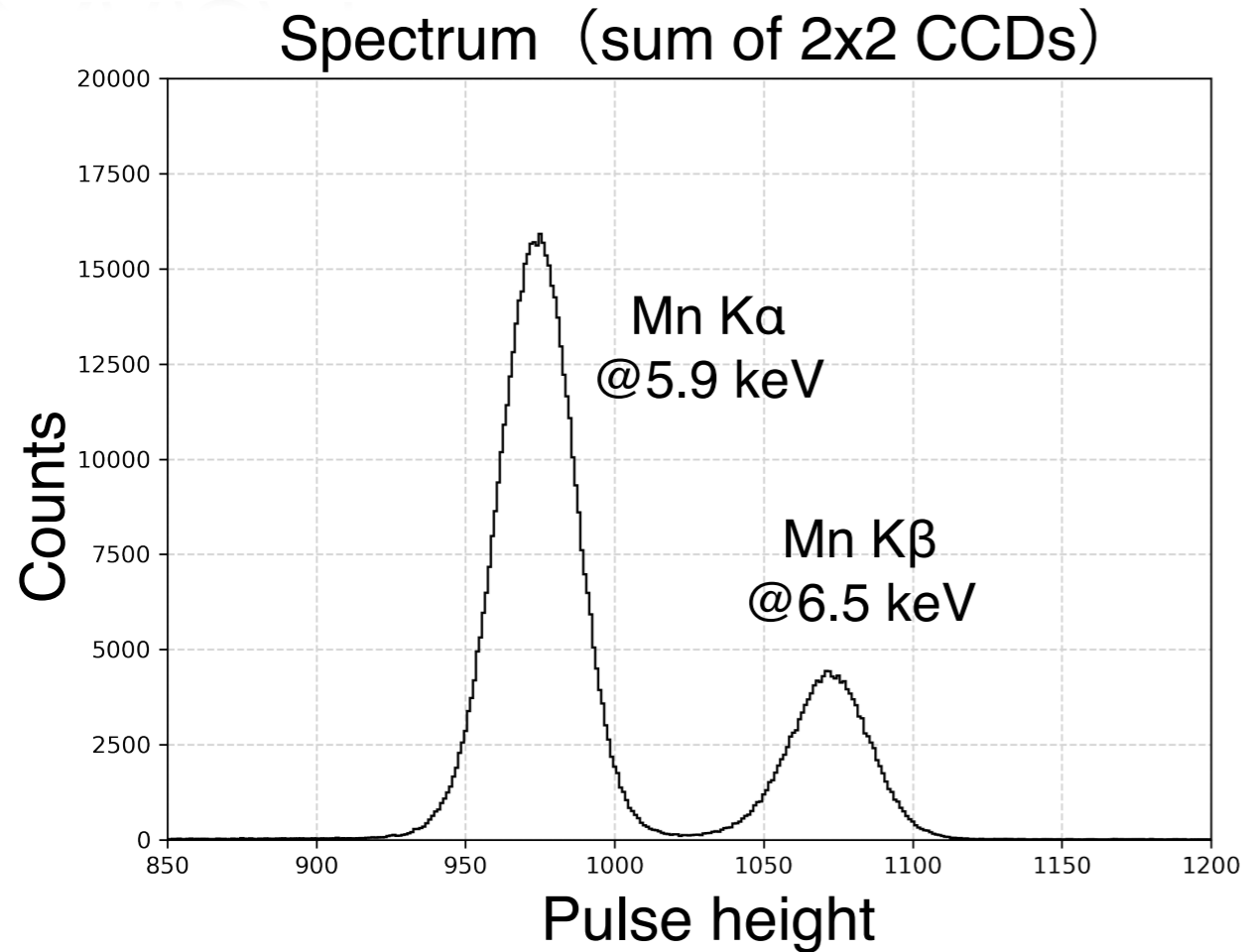
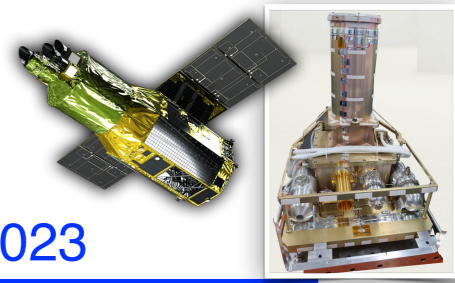
2022–2023

- 2022.08 at Tsukuba Space Center
- Goals of Xtend team
 - Confirm cooling performance
 - Confirm spectroscopic performance
 - Confirm optical blocking performance
 - Optimize charge injection amounts & obs. parameters
 - Nominal operation rehearsal





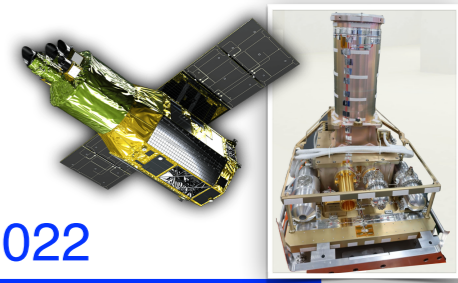
- Confirmed cooling performance
 - cooler & heater
- CCDs can be kept at -110 degC



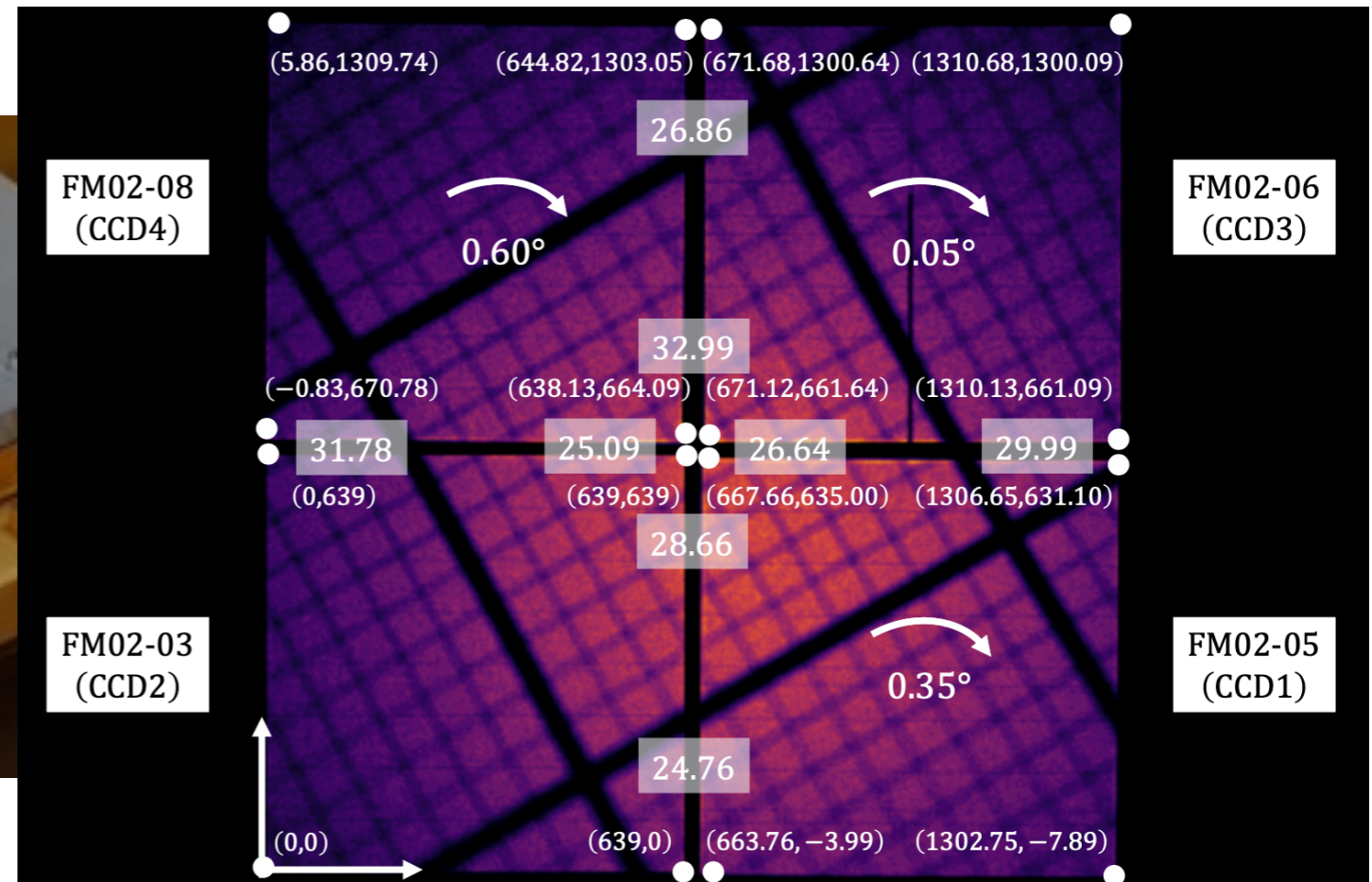
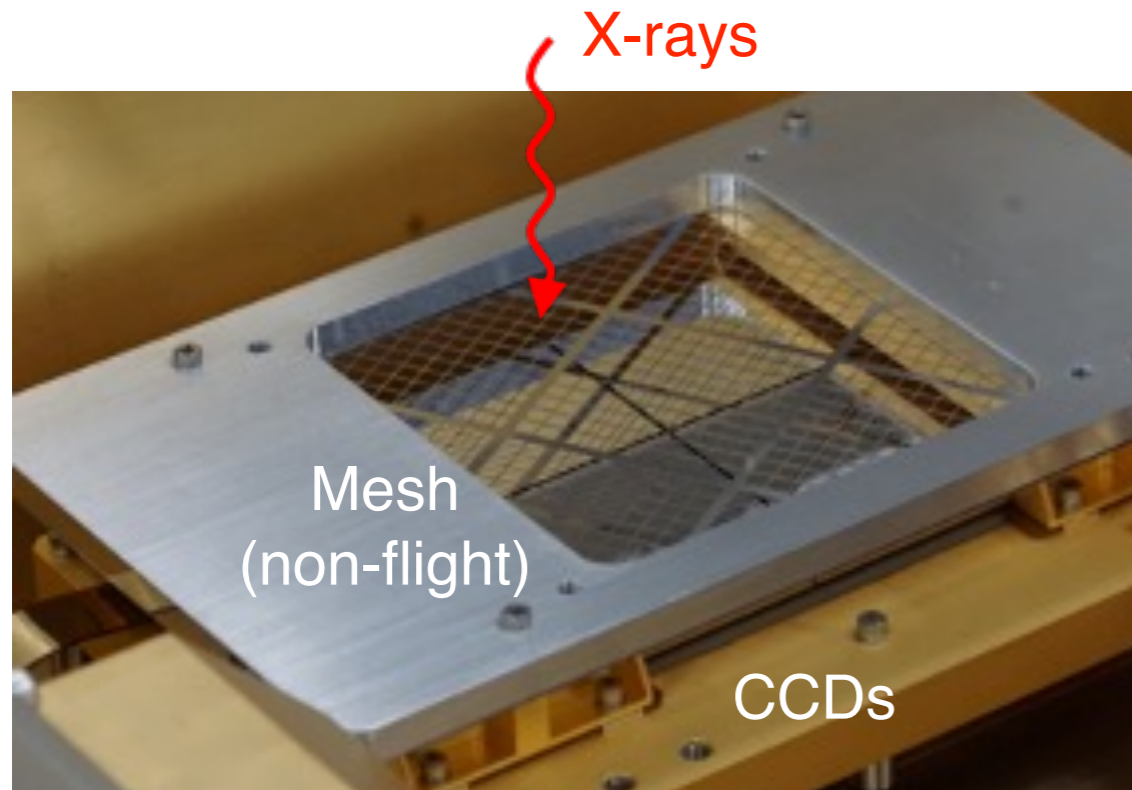
Cal. source ^{55}Fe

- Confirmed spectral performance
- Confirmed RIs' positions & intensities
- Optimized charge injection amounts, event selection parameters
- Performance of 1/8-window mode & 1/8-window+burst also verified

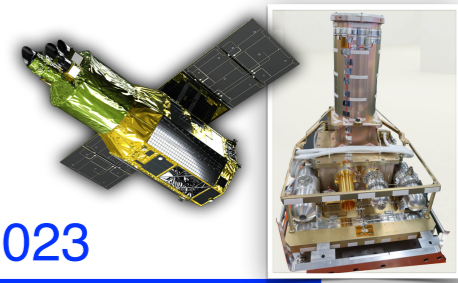
CCD arrangement



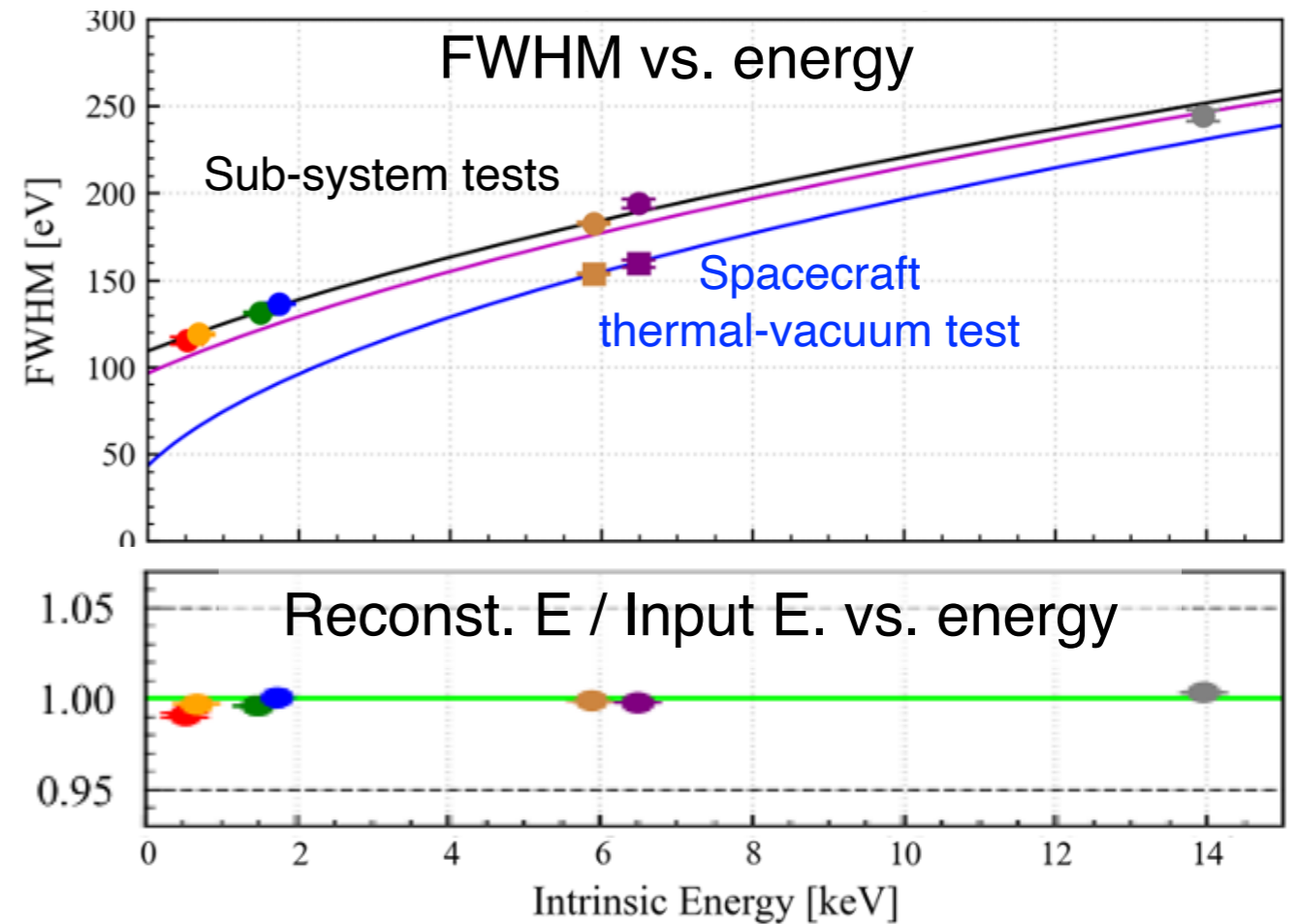
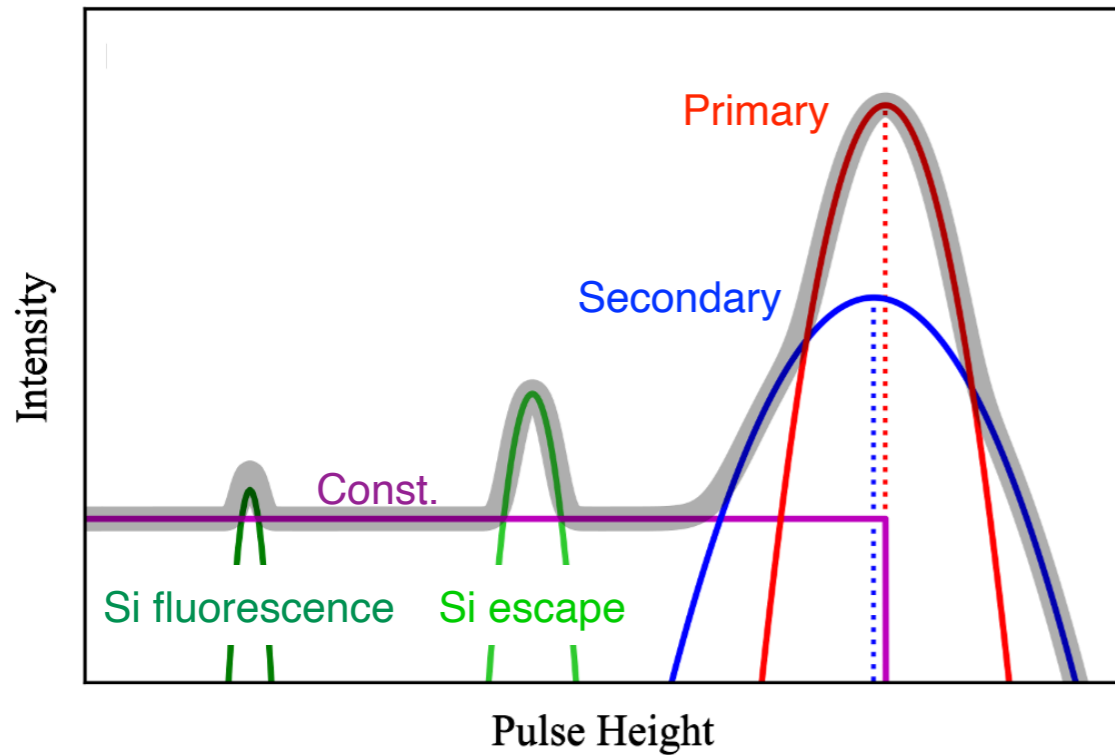
2021–2022



- Relative positions of 2x2 CCDs are measured using non-flight mesh frame
- CCD gaps are 45–60”

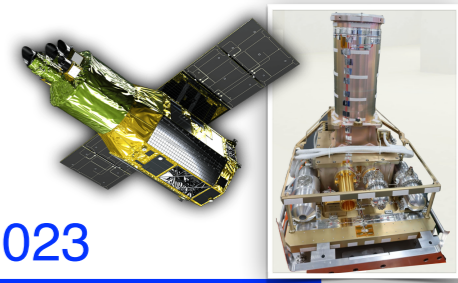


Response model



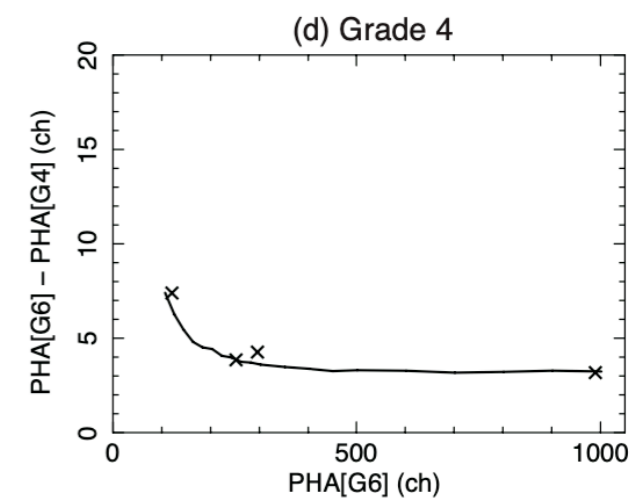
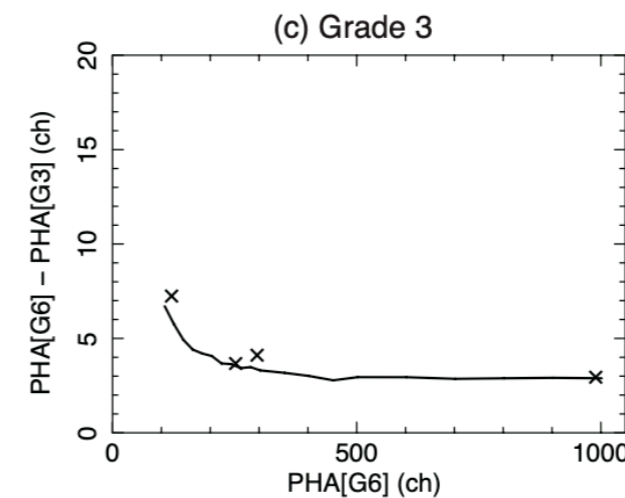
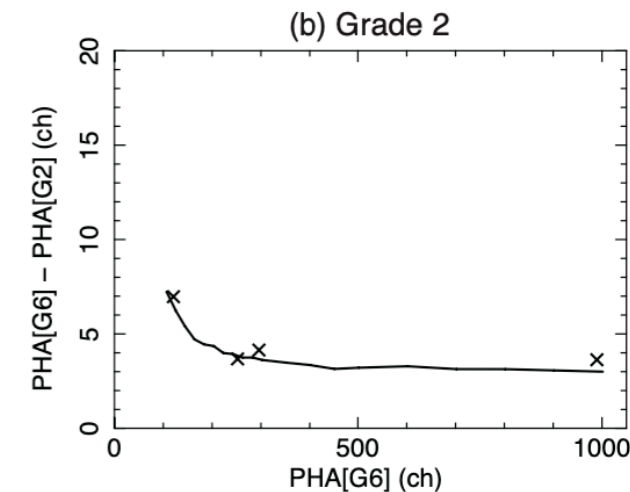
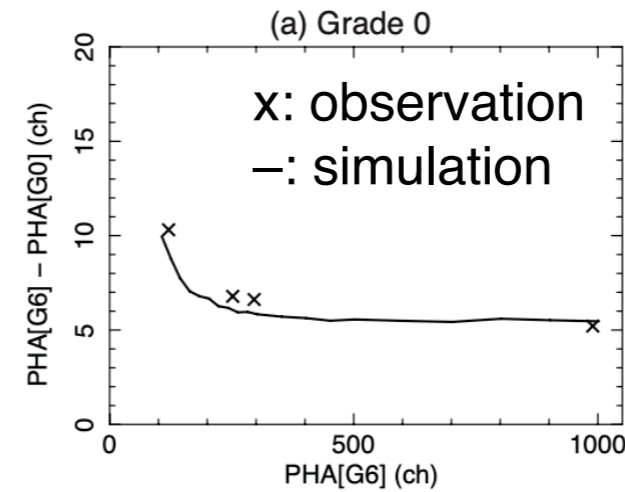
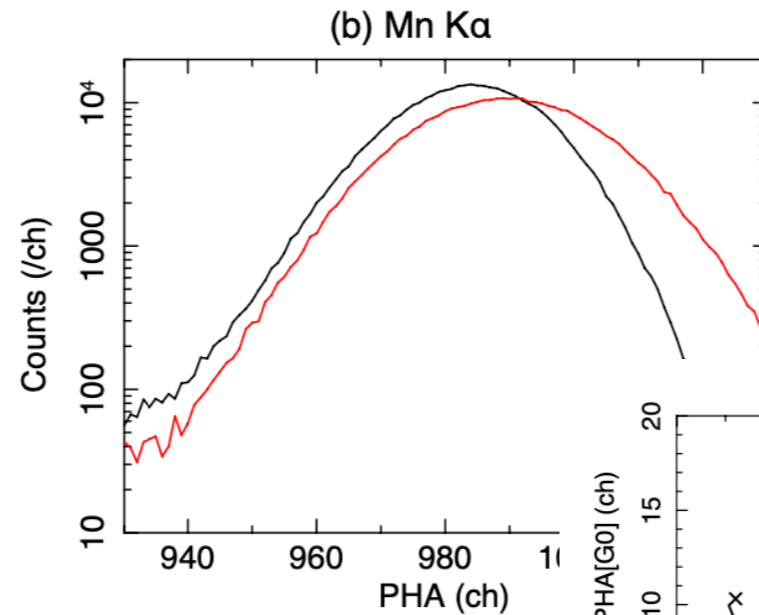
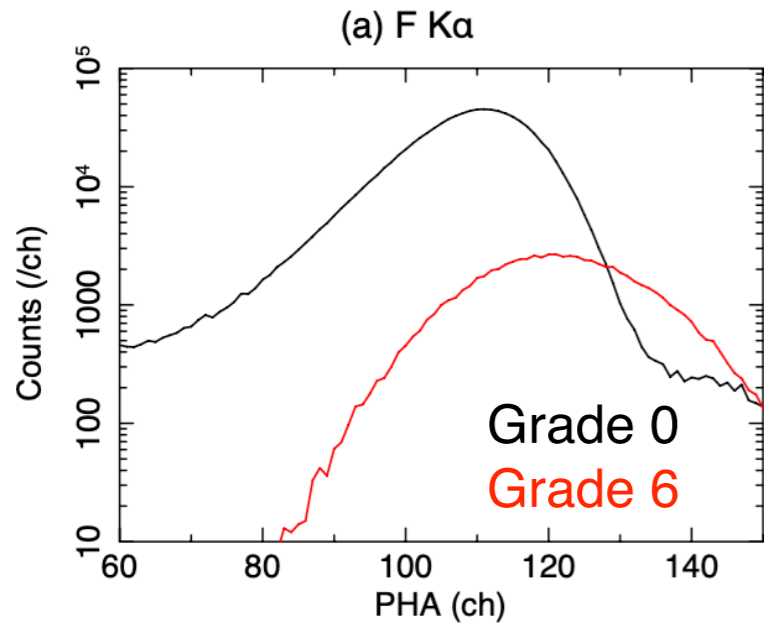
- X-ray line irradiation in 0.5–14 keV
- Response model was constructed based on data from sub-system tests
- and was verified in spacecraft thermal-vacuum test

Line	E (keV)
O-K α	0.5249
F-K α	0.6768
Al-K α	1.4866
Si-K α	1.7398
Mn-K α	5.89505
Mn-K β	6.4904
Np-La	13.95

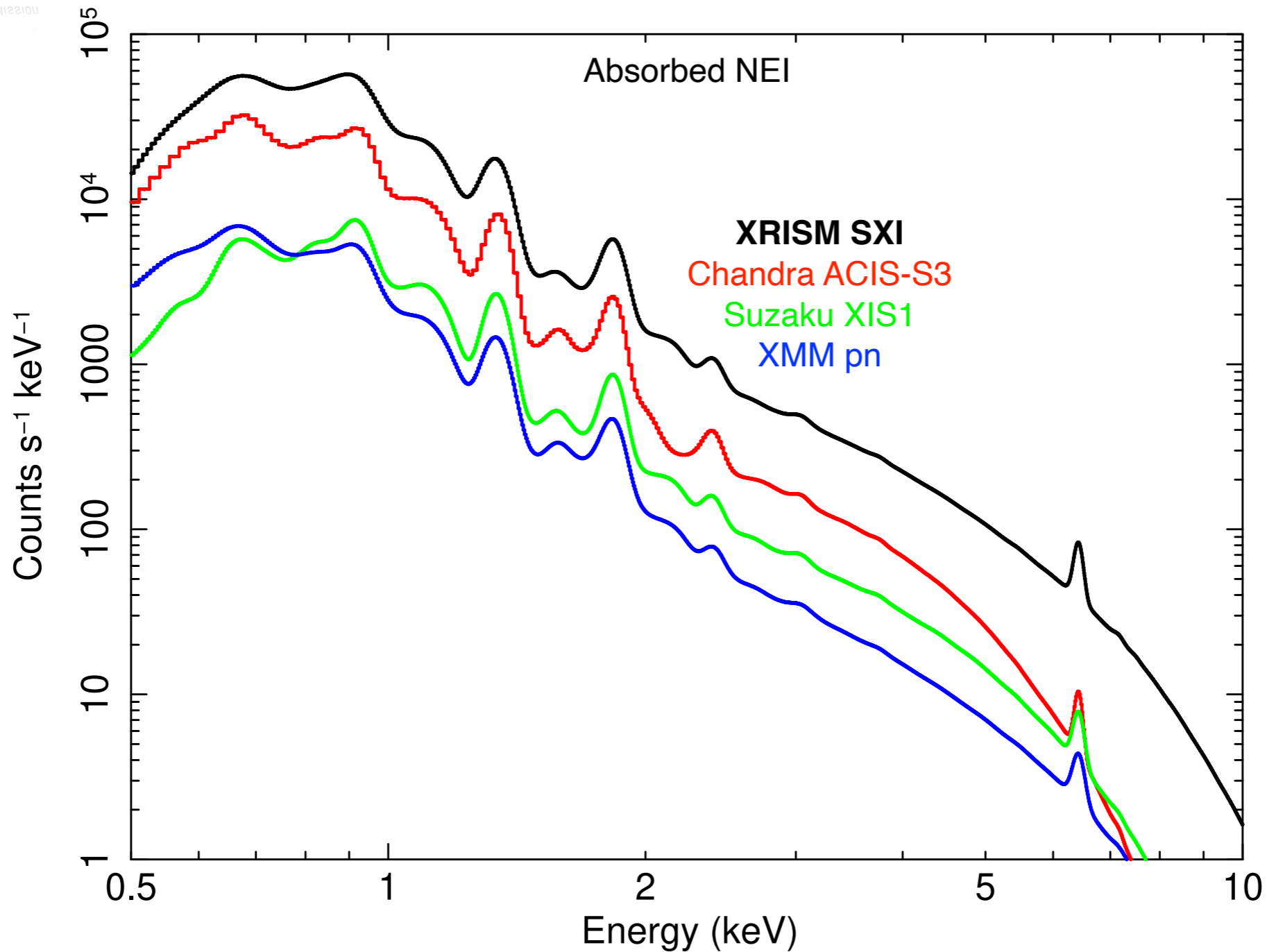
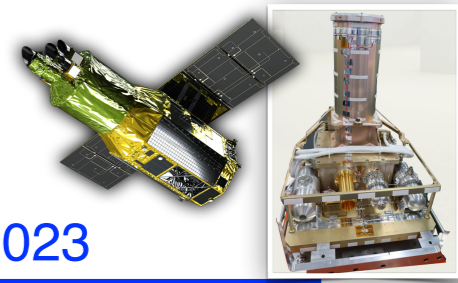


2019–2023

(Aoki et al. 2023)

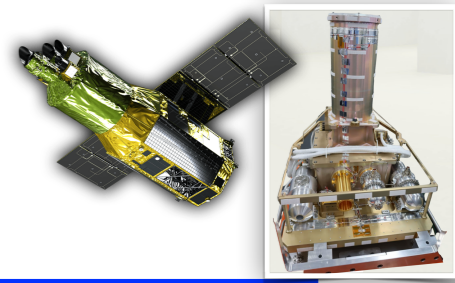


- E centroids differ between different grades
- Explained with charge sharing & noise by comparing observations & simulations



- Comparison of spectral shapes (normalizations are arbitrary)
- Moderate energy resolutions at low energies

Summary

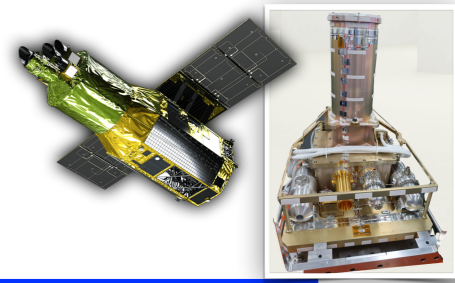


- On-ground calibration of XRISM Xtend has been completed
- Experiments and analyses were done from 2018 to 2023
- Verifications & optimizations included...
 - radiation tolerance
 - modeling CTI (charge transfer inefficiency) correction
 - optical blocking performance
 - quantum efficiency
 - cooler & heater health
 - spectral performance
 - CI (charge injection) amount
 - RI position & intensity
 - nominal operation rehearsal
 - effective area
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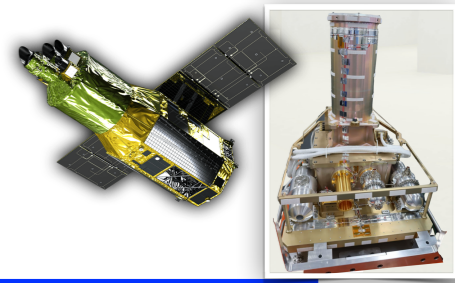
XRISM

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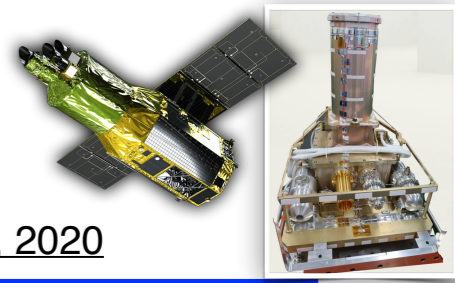
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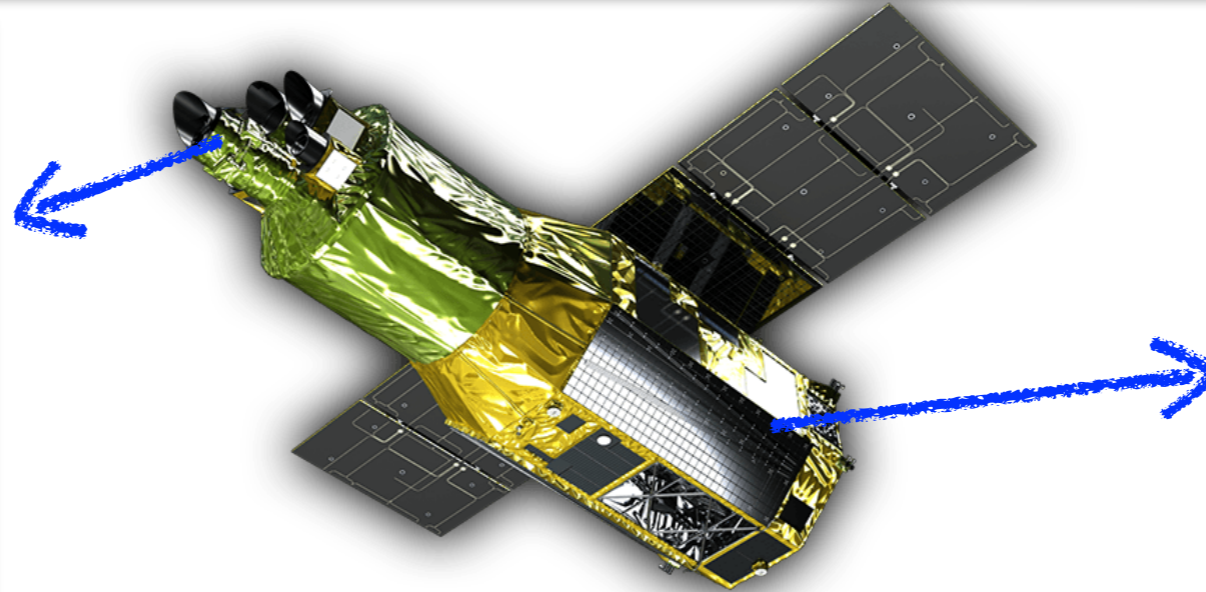
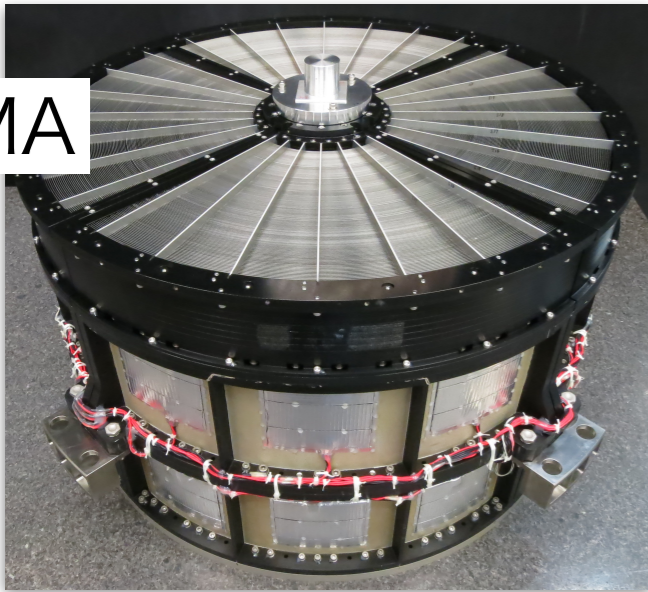


- CTI Kanemaru et al. 2019, 2020
- light leak 2019-081, Uchida et al. 2020
- CBF 2021-26
- OBL, depletion layer 2022-072
- Thermal vacuum test
 - 1ST health
 - delta E
 - CI
 - nominal operation test
 - light leak
 - RI
- effective area RPT-0152
- teldef 2022-018
- Grade branching ratio 2023-017
- CCD image anomaly many
 - countermeasure test
 - possible causes
- CCD response 2022-111, Ode M-thesis, Aoki et al. 2023

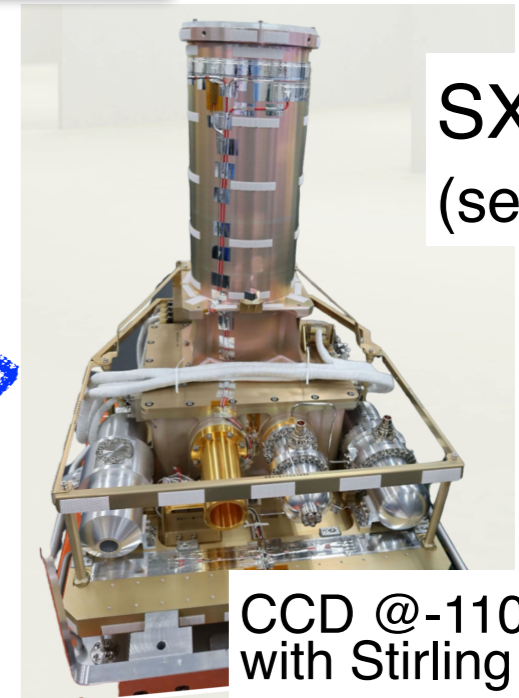


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XMA

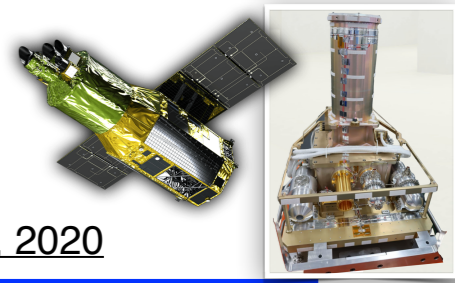


SXI-S
(sensor)



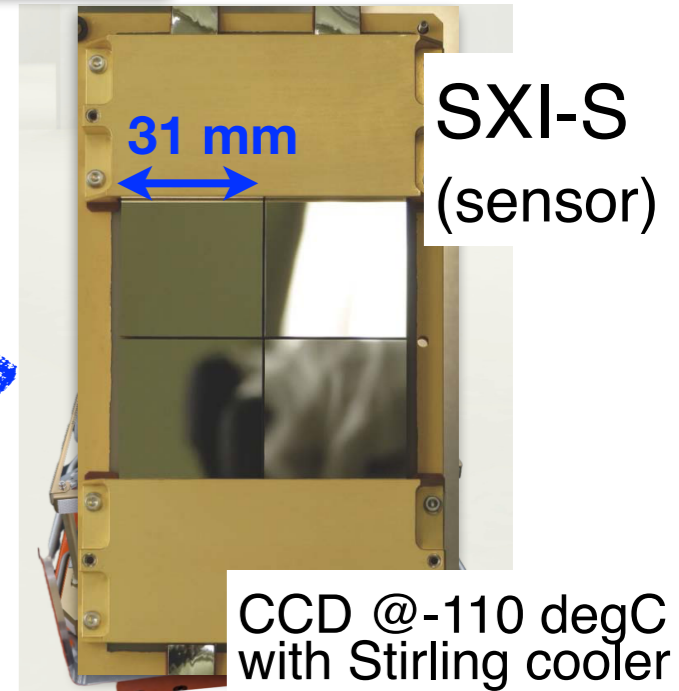
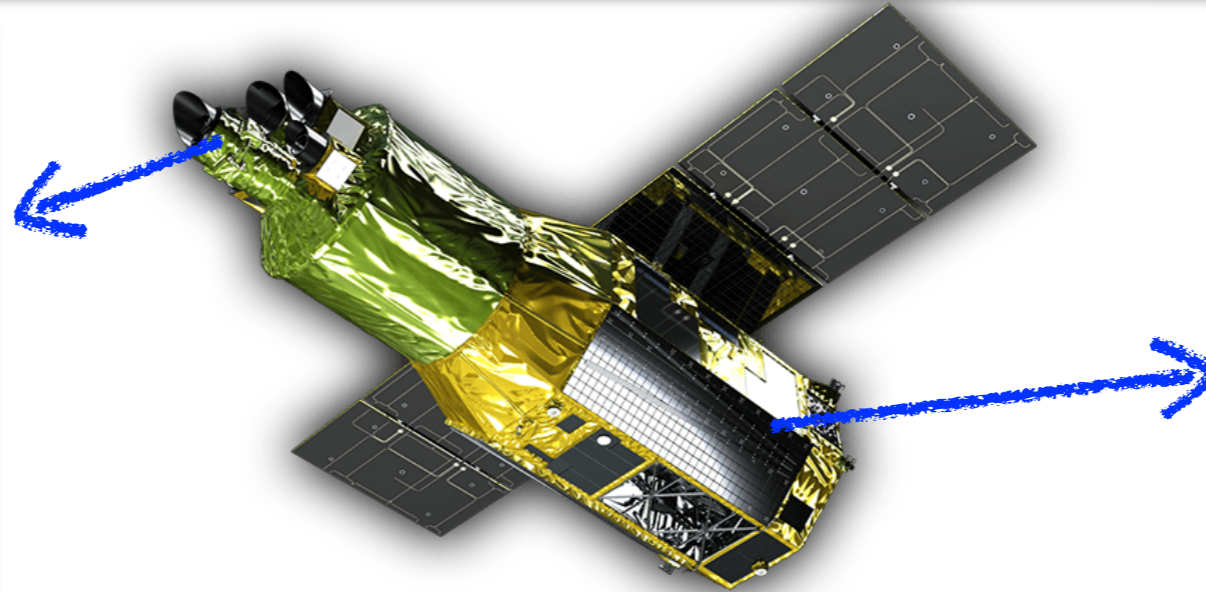
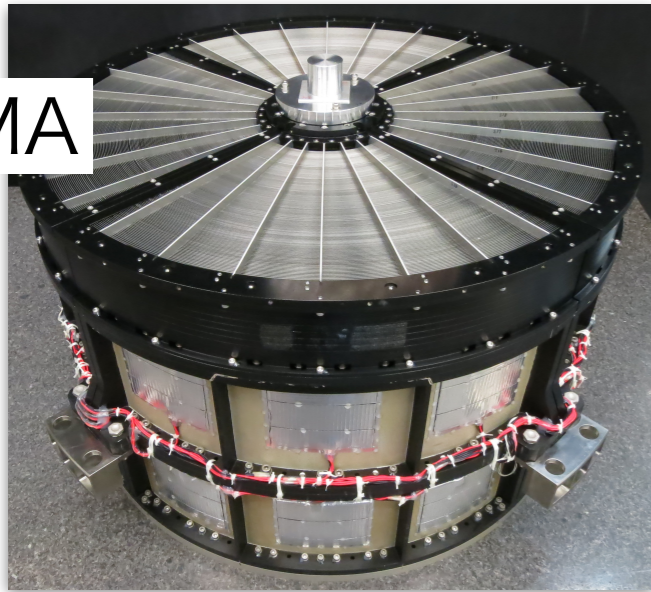
CCD @ -110 degC
with Stirling cooler

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 - ✓ similar to Hitomi SXT
- **SXI** : X-ray CCDs
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 - ✓ fully-depleted back-illuminated P-channel CCD
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- FoV : 38' × 38'
- Energy resolution : < 200 eV @5.9 keV
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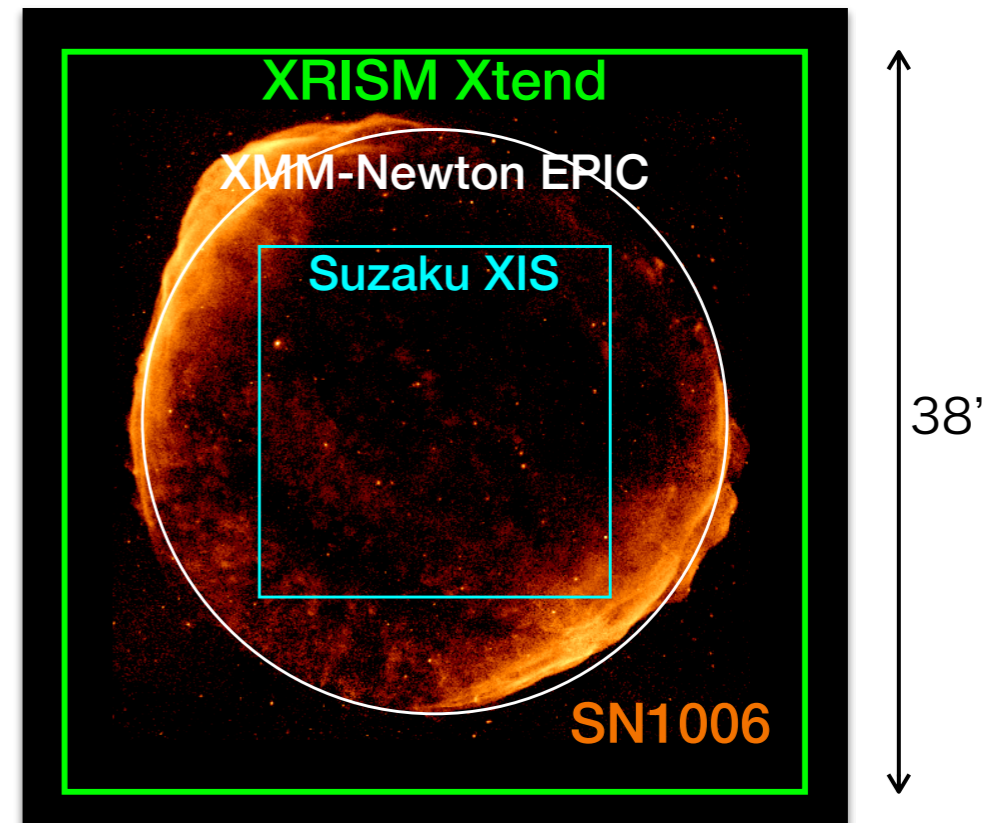


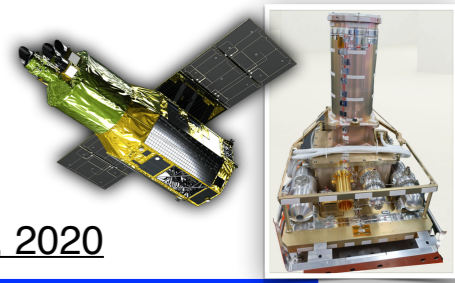
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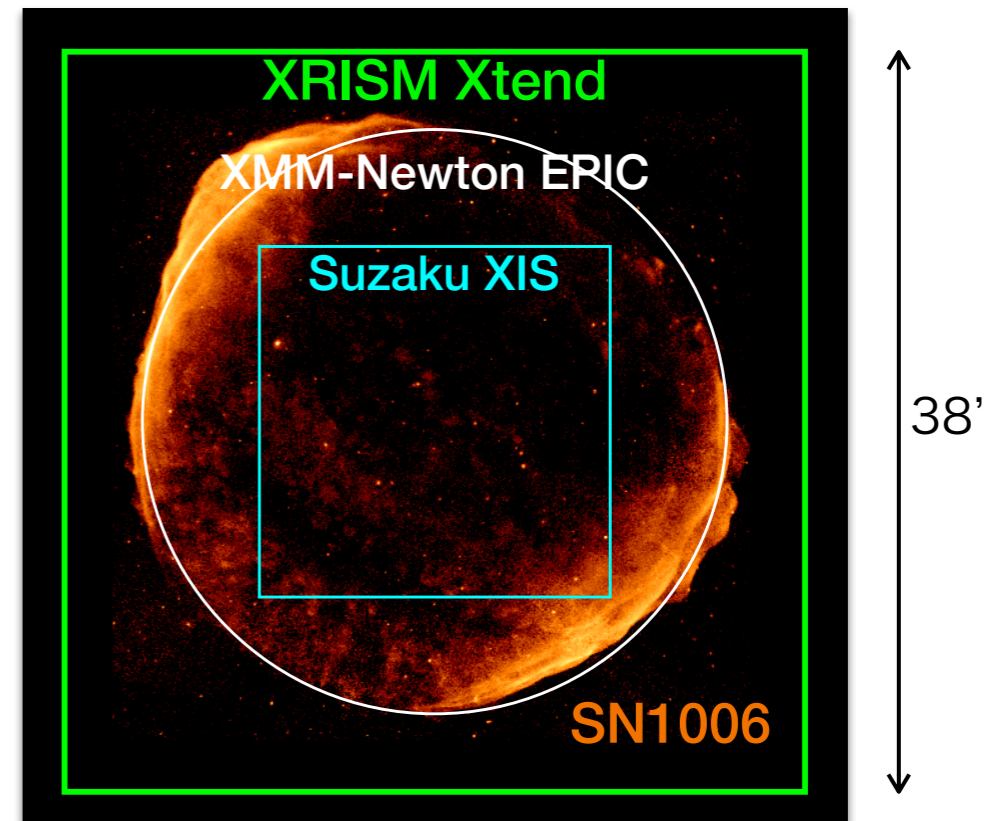
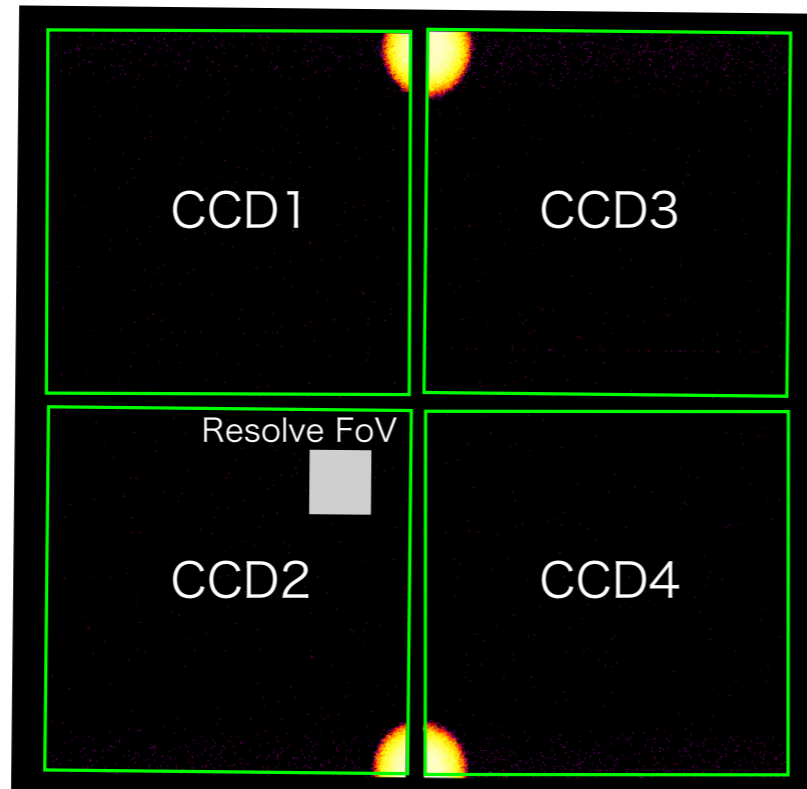


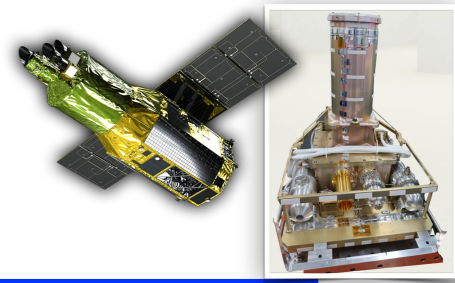
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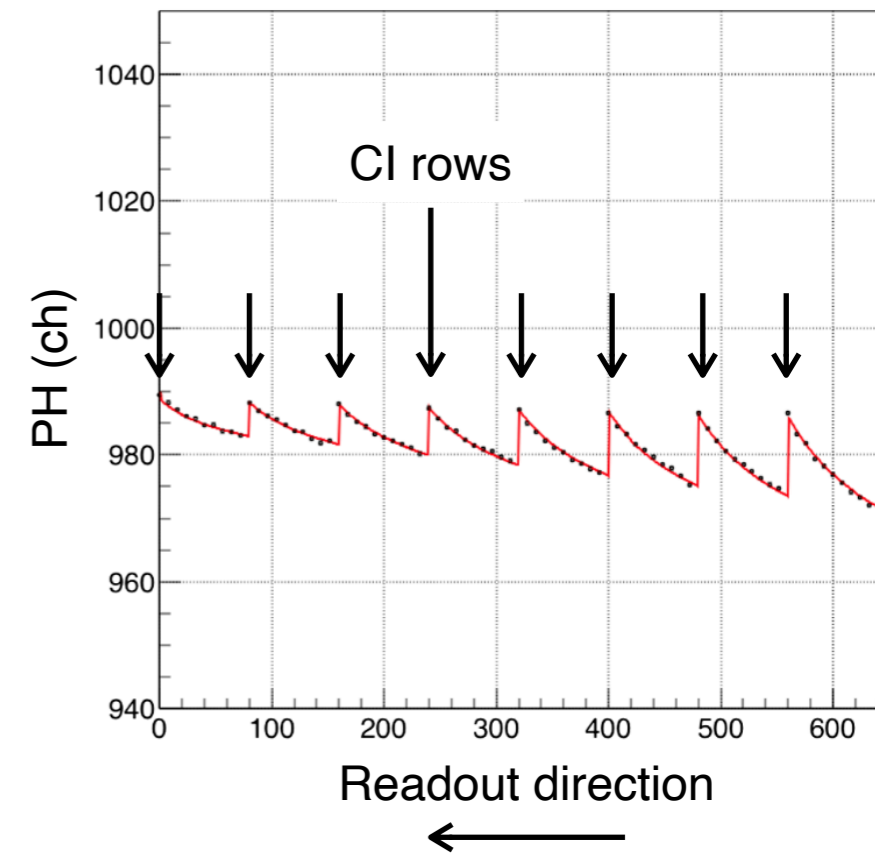
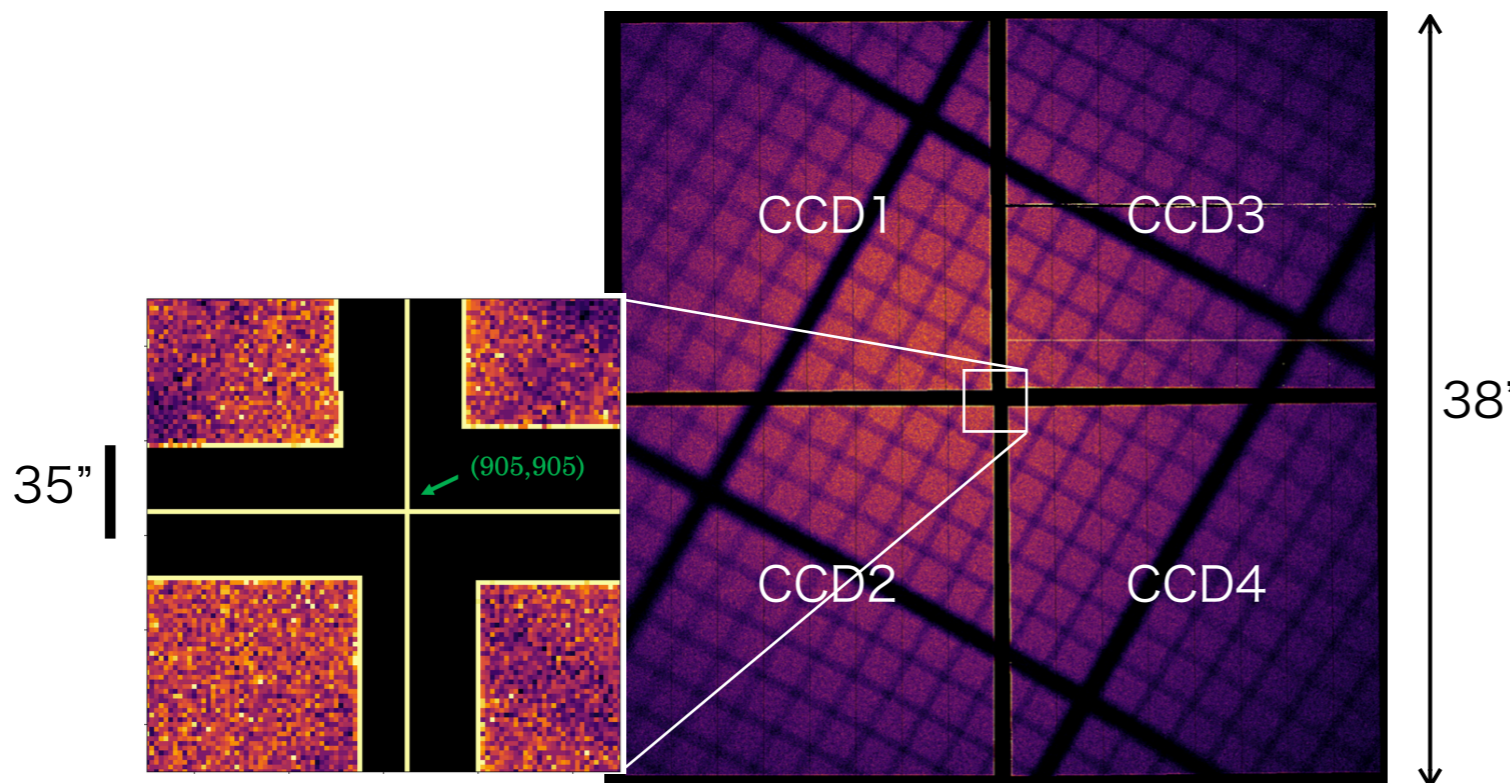


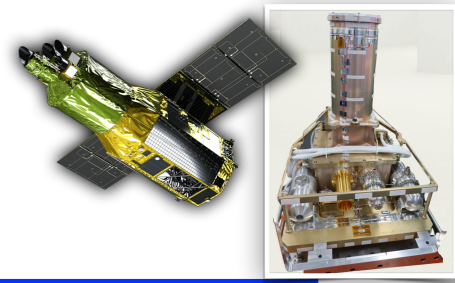
- **Monitor large area around Resolve FoV**
 - Clarify contribution of sources around target
 - sky background
 - contribution of other bright sources
- **Xtend itself will produce scientific achievements**
 - CCDs' good energy resolution
 - Low & stable detector background similar to Suzaku XIS/Hitomi SXI
 - 2x larger FoV than XMM-Newton





- Frame exposure time: 0.06–3.96 sec (depends on obs. modes)
- Charge Injection (CI) technique:
 - give artificial charges to minimize charge transfer inefficiency
 - similar to Suzaku XIS/Hitomi SXI
- **Mind the gaps between CCDs!!**
 - 40"–60"
 - Point sources may fall into the gaps

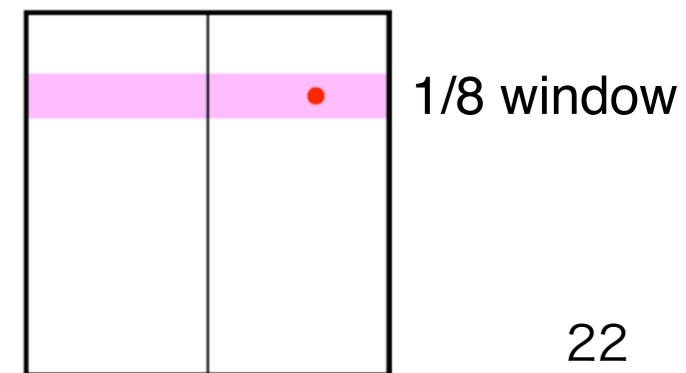
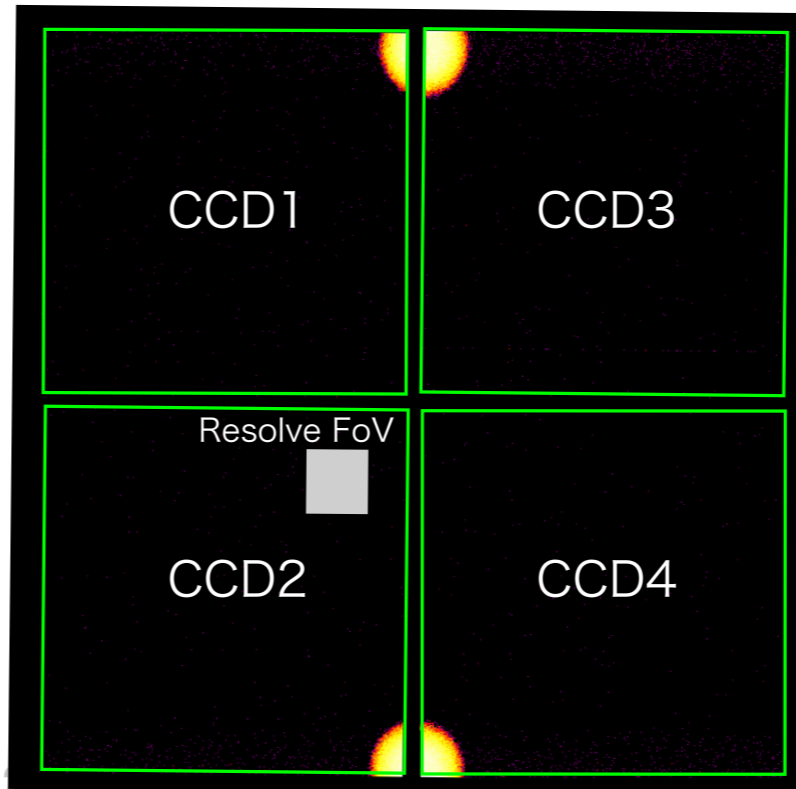


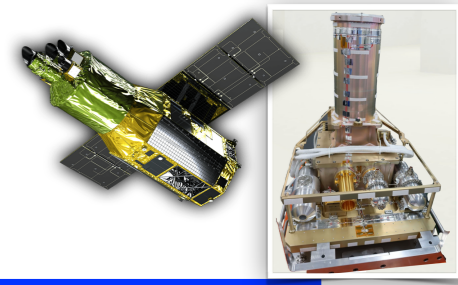


- Observation modes

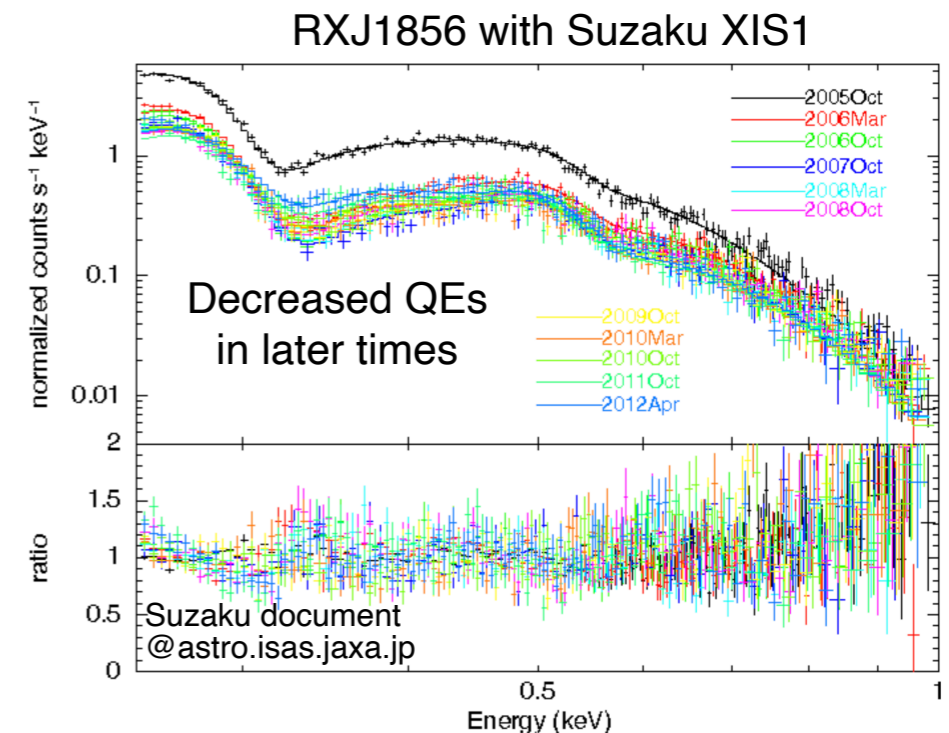
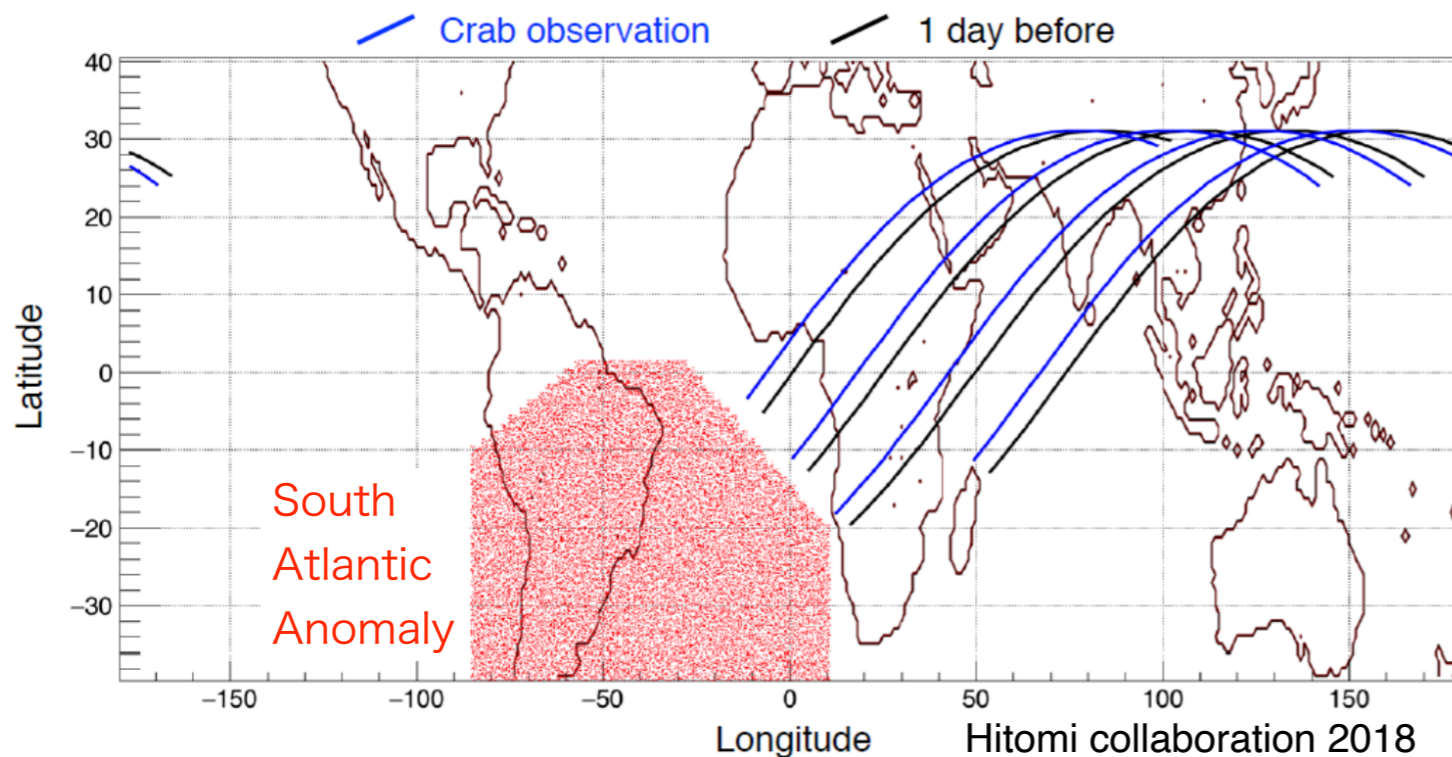
Mode	Region size	Frame exposure	Time resolution	Live time fraction	Purpose
Full window	1	4.0 sec	4.0 sec	~1	General
1/8 window	1/8	0.46 sec	0.46 sec	~1	Bright/variable sources (against pile-up, etc.)
1/8 window + 0.1-s burst	1/8	0.06 sec	0.46 sec	0.13	Bright/variable sources (against pile-up, etc.)
0.1-s burst	1	0.06 sec	4.0 sec	0.015	Crab mode, not for users

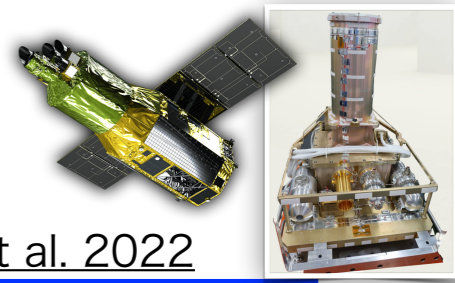
* 1/8 win. & burst: only applied to CCDs 1 & 2 (i.e., CCDs 3 & 4 are Full win.)



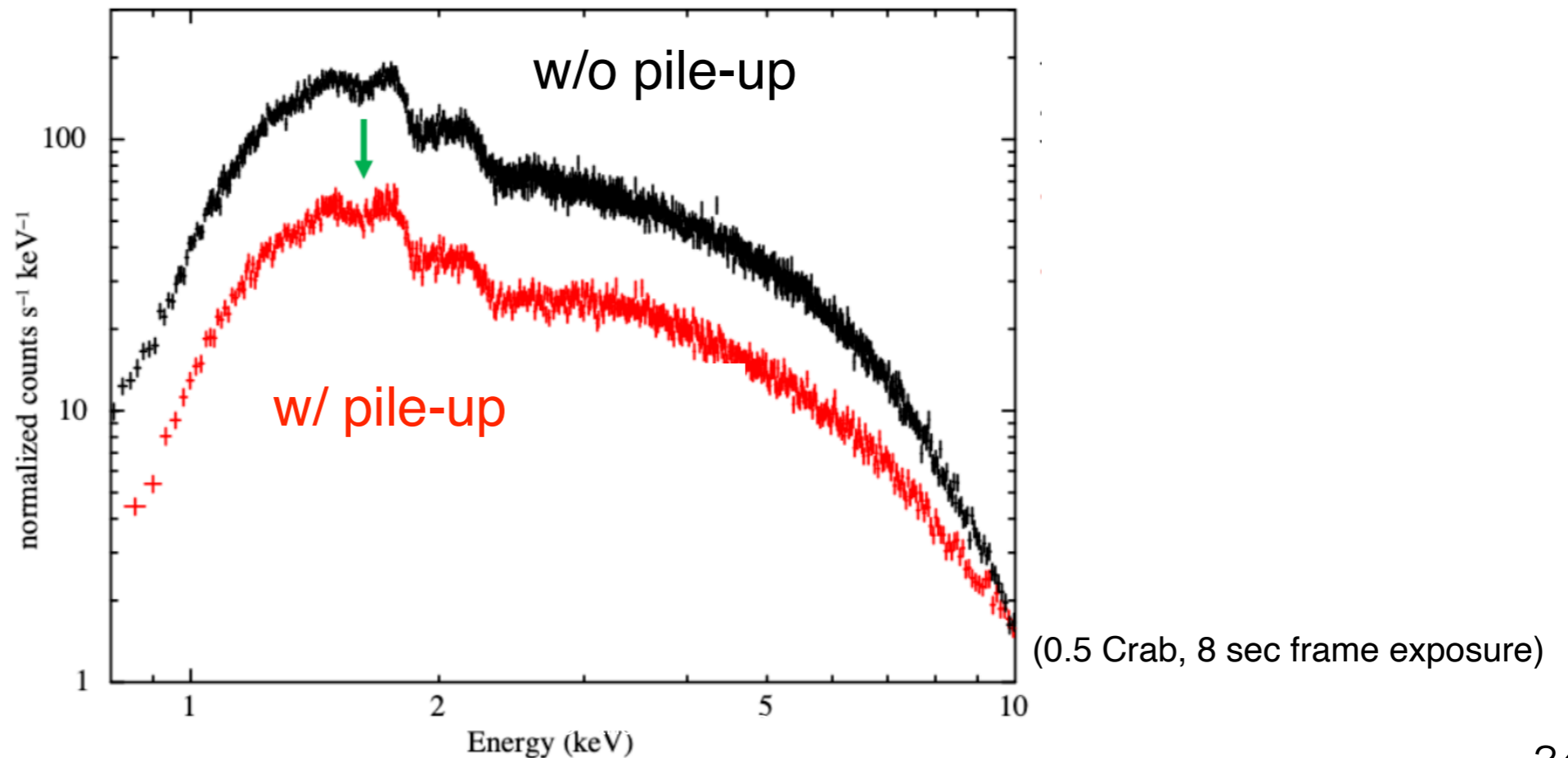


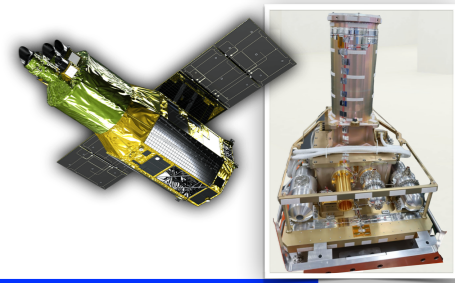
- Observation efficiency in low earth orbit
 - Earth occultation & day earth give dead times (~50%)
- Degradation of CCDs
 - Increasing Charge Transfer Inefficiency, bad pixels due to radiation
 - Increasing contamination due to outgas = lower quantum efficiencies in low energies



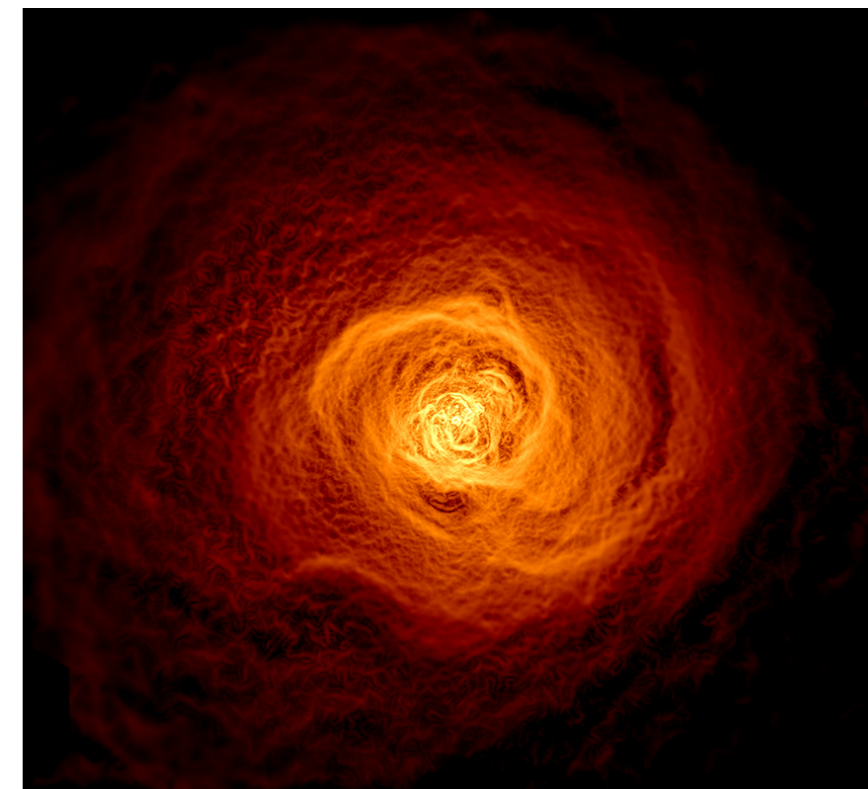
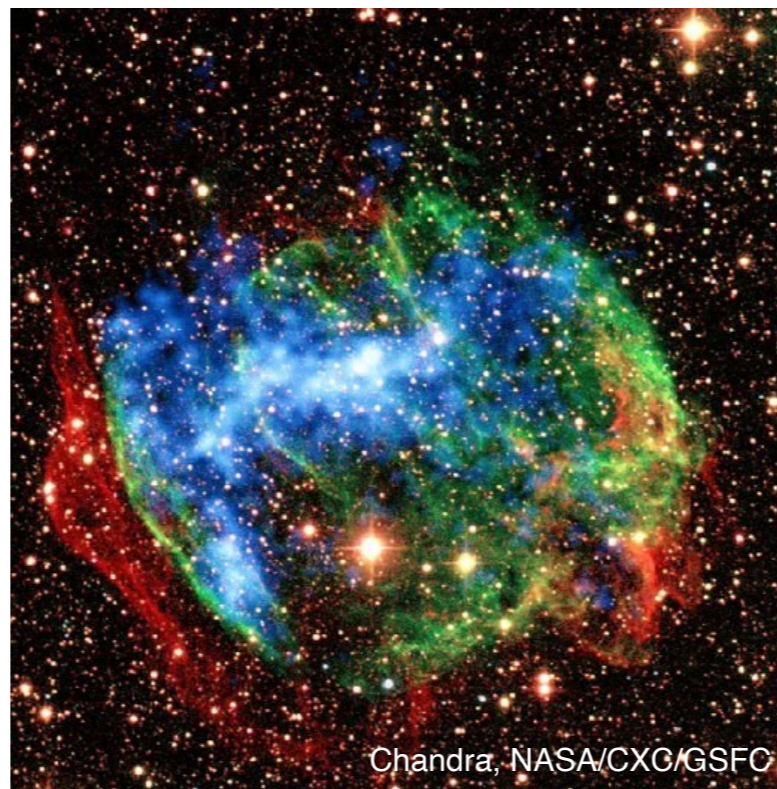
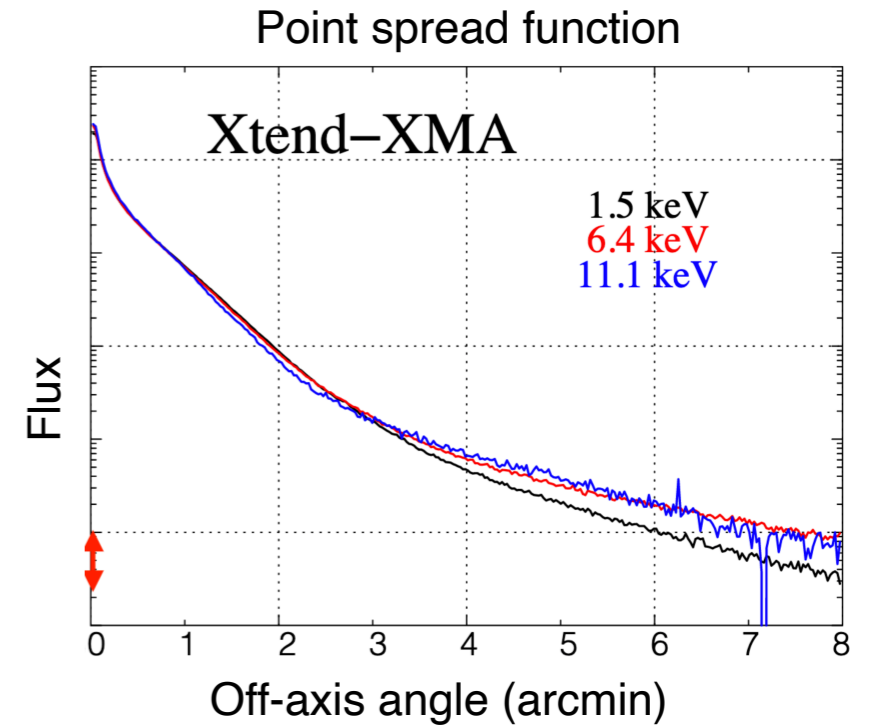


- Consider pile-up of photons
- In Xtend, this happens if sources brighter than ~ 1 mCrab
- Choose suitable obs. mode to avoid pile-up
 - $\sim 1/8$ photons if 1/8 window mode, $\sim 1/70$ if window-burst mode
- Pile-up estimator will be provided to observers
 - i.e., choose target's flux & power-law index \rightarrow check pile-up

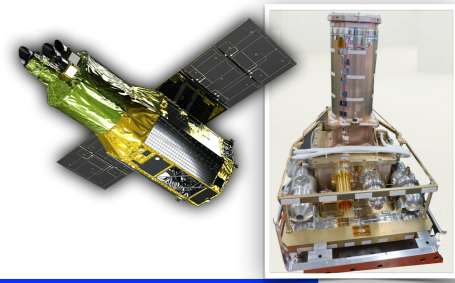




- Consider...
 - Bright sources around the target
 - Sky / detector backgrounds affect more than for point sources



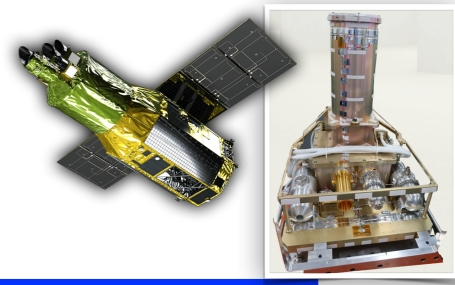
Analysis procedure



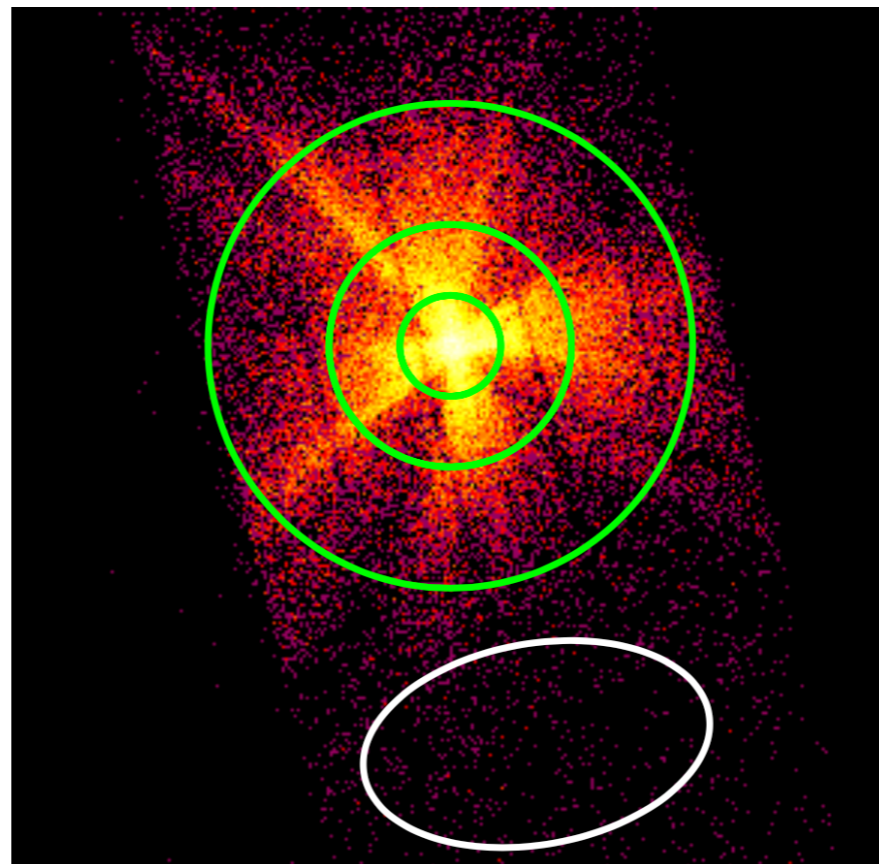
Refer to [Hitomi Analysis Guide, Step-by-Step guide](#)
Will be updated for XRISM

- Similar to Suzaku XIS & Hitomi SXI
1. **Reprocess** data with latest CALDB (xapipeline, xtdpipeline)
 2. **Extract** image, spectrum, light curve (xselect, fselect, astropy, etc.)
with more filtering if needed (good time intervals, attitudes, etc.)
 3. Make **response files** for spectral studies (xtdrmf, xaexpmap, xrtraytrace, xaarfgen)
 4. Other procedures (barycen, detector background (xtdnxbgen), etc.)
 5. Enjoy imaging/spectral/timing studies!!

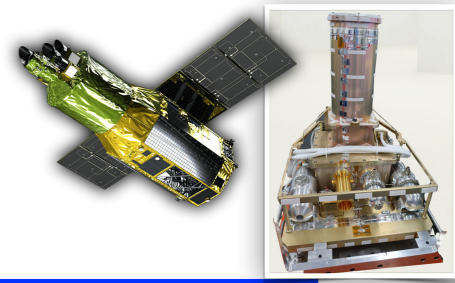
Analyzing bright point sources



- If so bright that pile-up affects data...
 - first try to avoid this!! but sometimes need good statistics, data might unluckily affected by solar flares, ...
 - conventional “core exclusion” method still is a good way
 - simulator-based method is another option, but will not generally provided to users [Tamba et al. 2022](#)

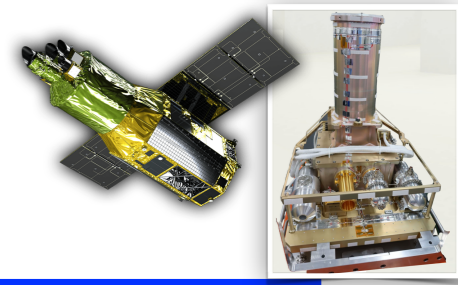


Analyzing extended sources

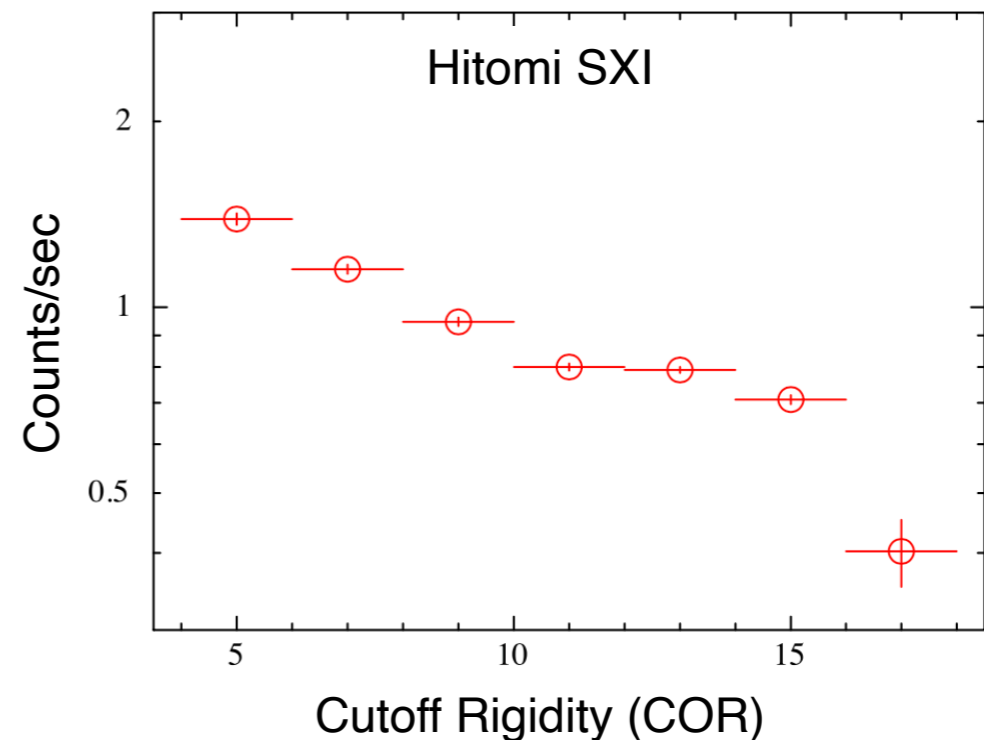
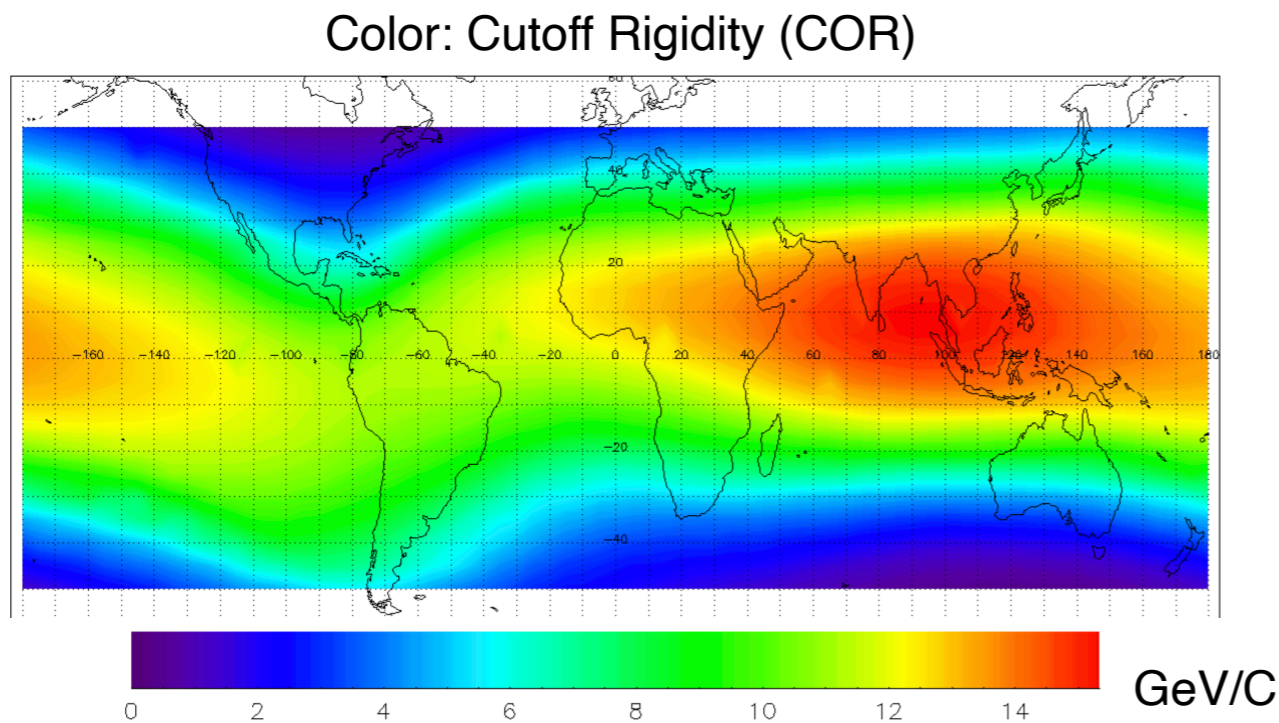


- Both source & background should be stable... but check light curves!!
- Detector background (similar to Suzaku XIS/Hitomi SXI)
→ Following pages
- Sky background
 - Many contribute, many depends on sky coordinates & time
 - Local Hot Bubble/Foreground Emission e.g., [Snowden et al. 1998](#); [Kuntz & Snowden 2000](#); [Yoshino et al. 2009](#); [Masui et al. 2009](#); [Ueda et al. 2022](#)
 - Milky Way Halo/Transabsorption Emission e.g., [Kuntz & Snowden 2000](#); [Yoshino et al. 2009](#); [Masui et al. 2009](#)
 - Solar Wind Charge eXchange e.g., [Cravens et al. 2001](#); [Koutroumpa et al. 2007](#)
 - Near Galactic center e.g., [Uchiyama et al. 2013](#); [Koyama 2018](#); [Nobukawa & Koyama 2021](#)
 - Galactic Ridge X-ray Emission
 - Galactic Center X-ray Emission
 - ...
 - Cosmic X-ray Background e.g., [Kuntz & Snowden 2000](#); [Kushino et al. 2002](#)

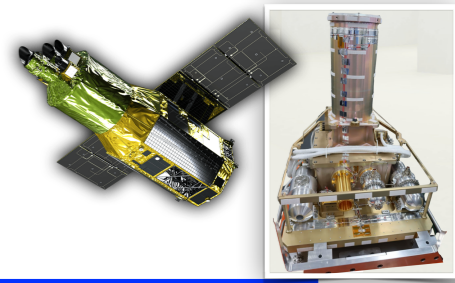
Detector background



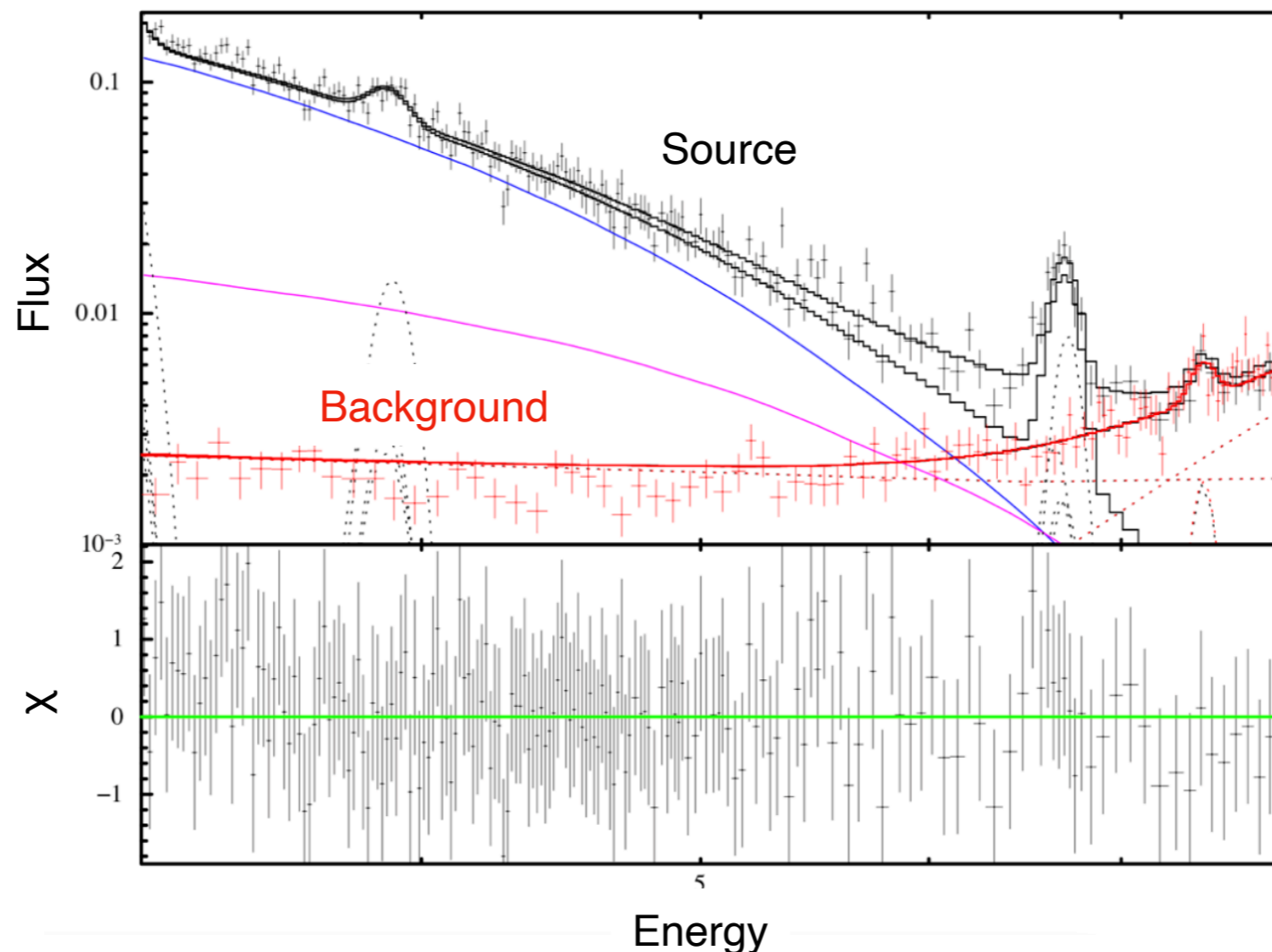
- Due to cosmic ray particles
 - Direct hits & stimulate fluorescence
 - Affect if left after event selection
- Dependence on Cutoff Rigidity [Nakajima et al. 2018](#)
 - Total flux varies w/o changing spectral shape
 - Note on year-scale movement of Cutoff Rigidity
- Depends on detector coordinates along readout direction [Nakajima et al. 2018](#)
- Effect of solar cycle almost ignorable



Detector background

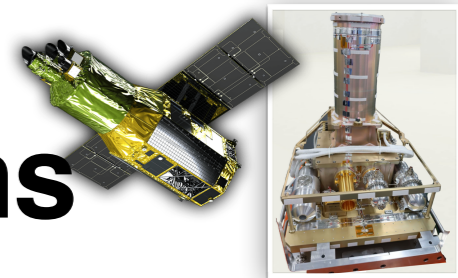


- Background spectra generating tool (xt_{dn}xbgen)
- Use C-stat/W-stat in spectral studies [XSPEC manual](#)
- **W-stat or “Source & Background” better than “Source – Background”**

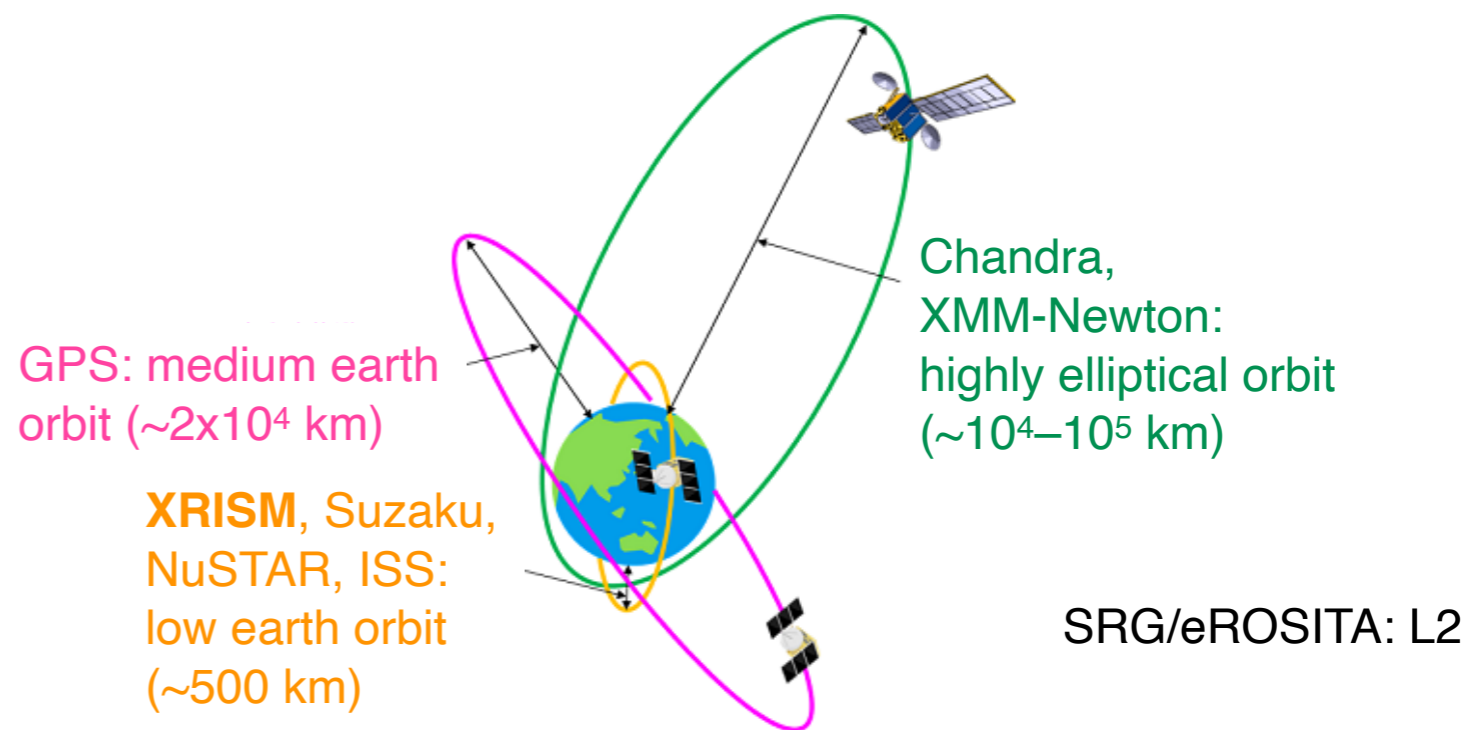
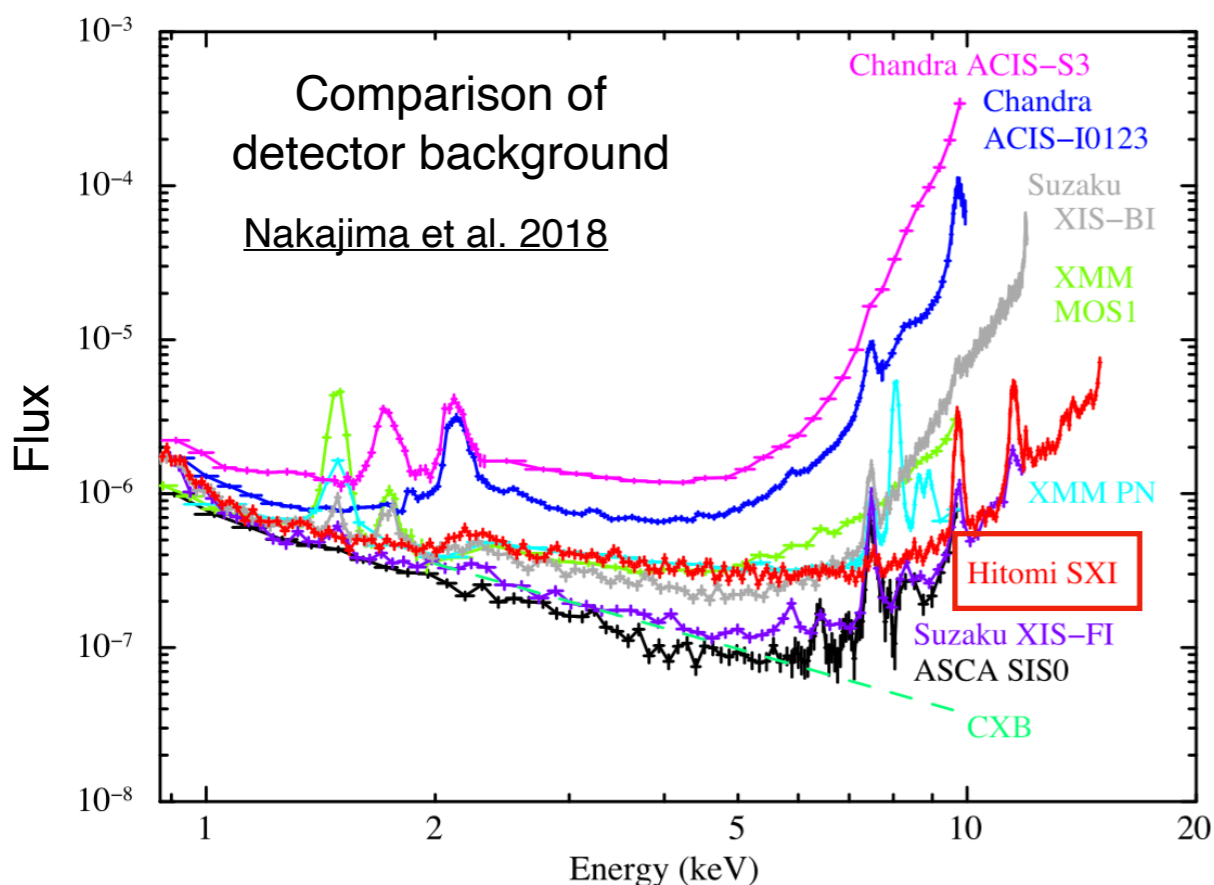


XRISM Compare to other satellite missions

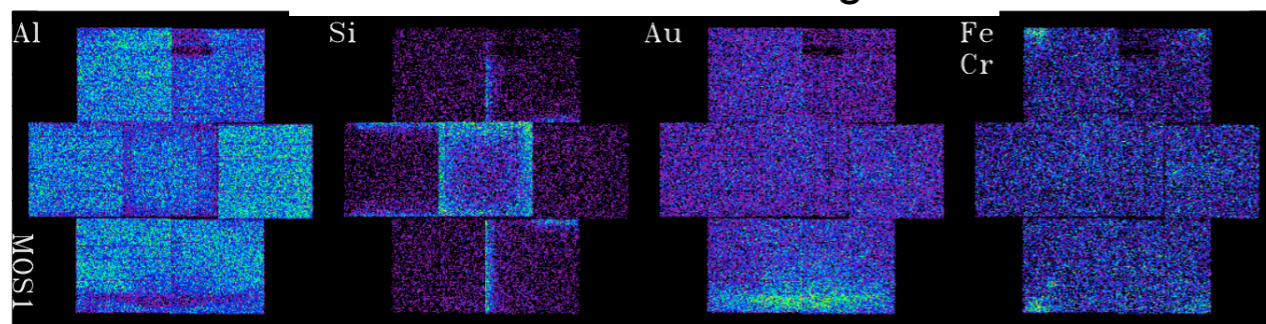
X-Ray Imaging and Spectroscopy Mission



- LL of ASCA, Suzaku, XMM, Chandra, Hitomi have been considered
 - suppressed stray light, background, contamination, CCDs operated at lower temperature



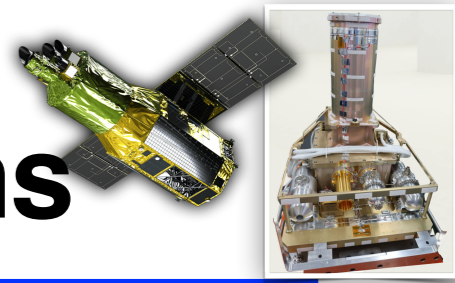
XMM MOS detector background



Kuntz & Snowden 2008

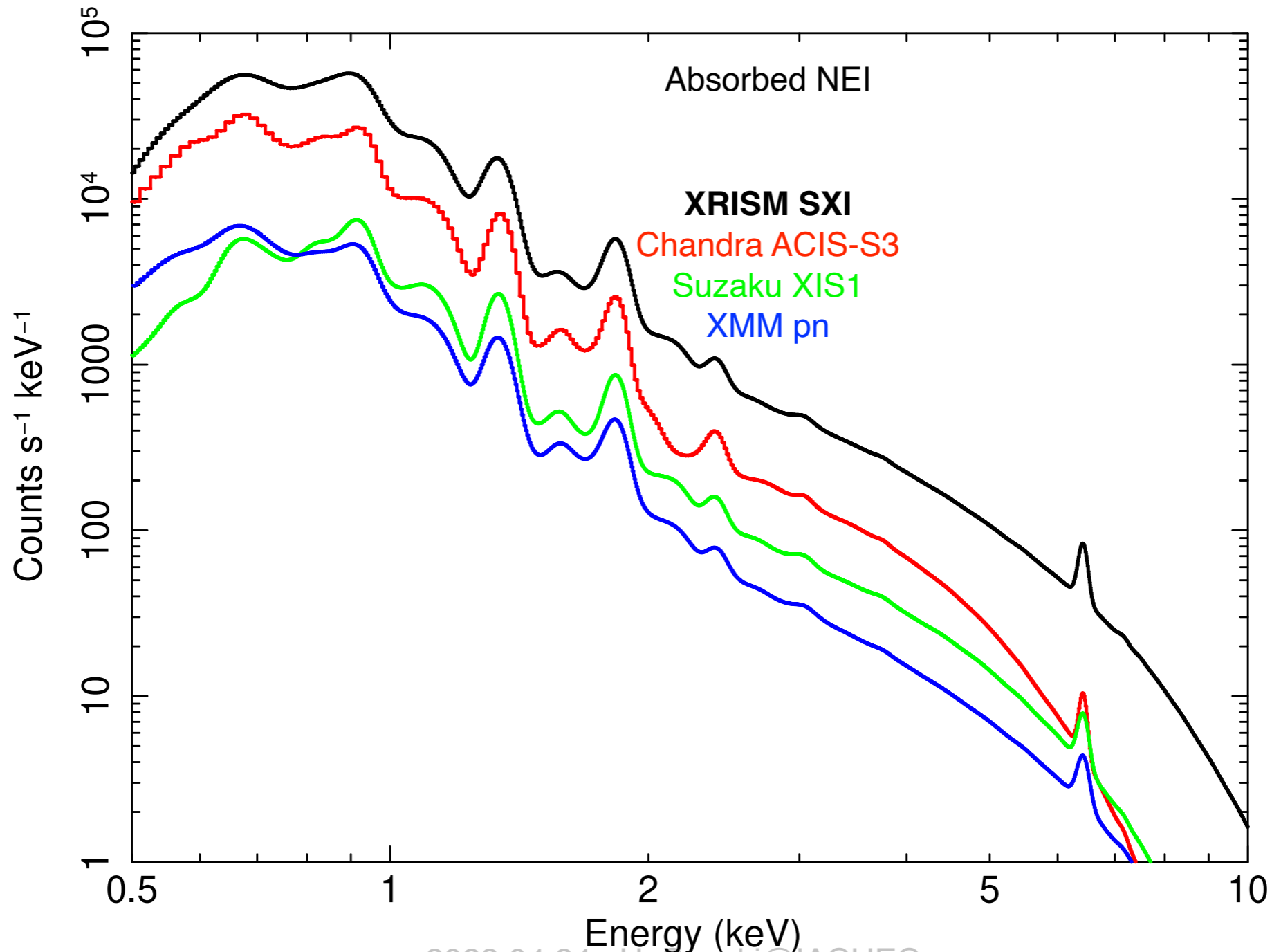
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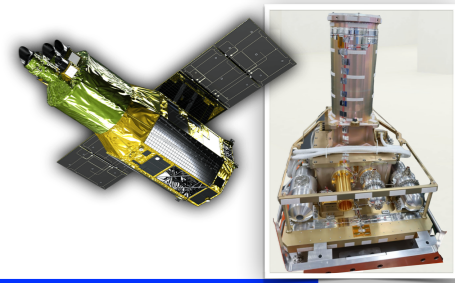


X-Ray Imaging and Spectroscopy Mission

- Detector response
 - basically as good as other X-ray CCDs on satellites
 - moderate energy resolutions at low energies

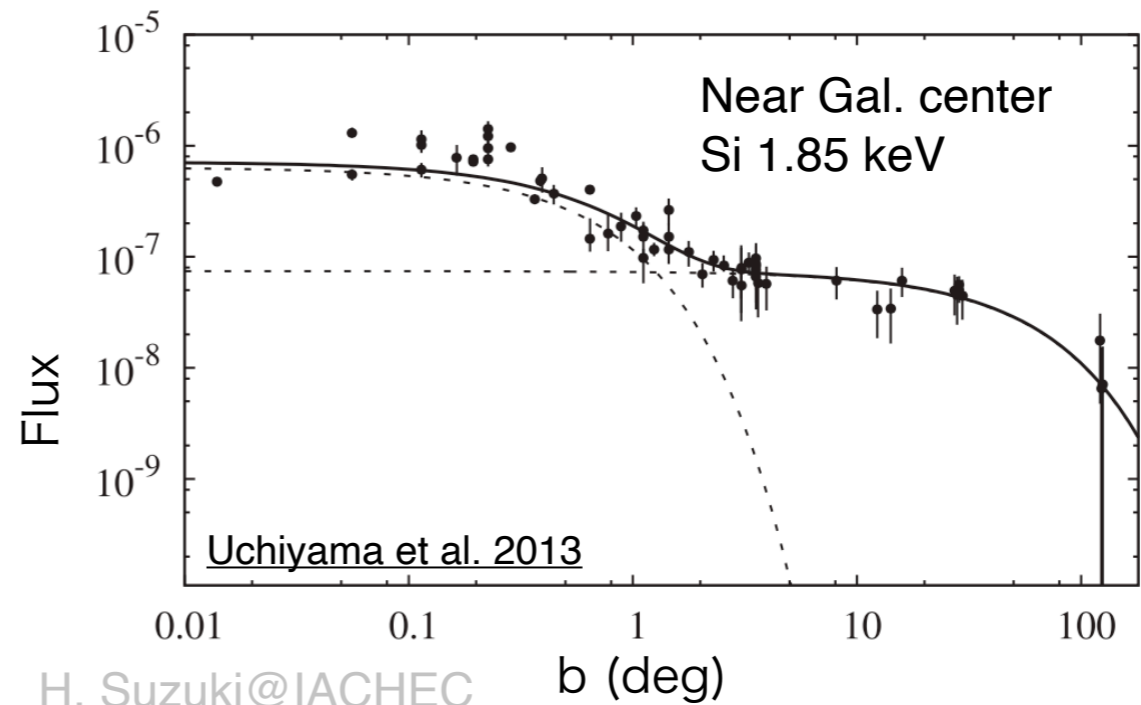
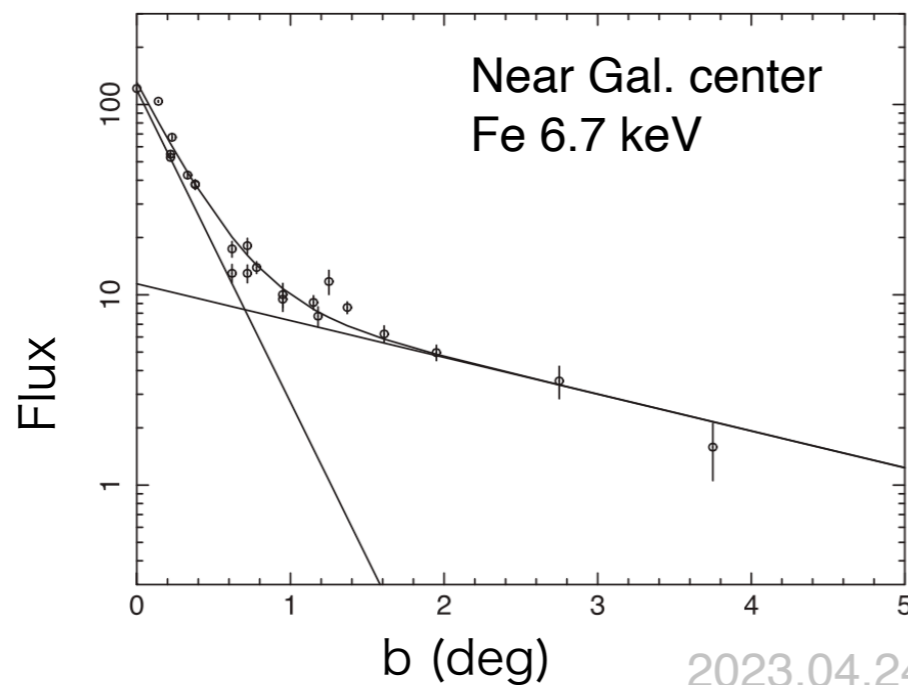
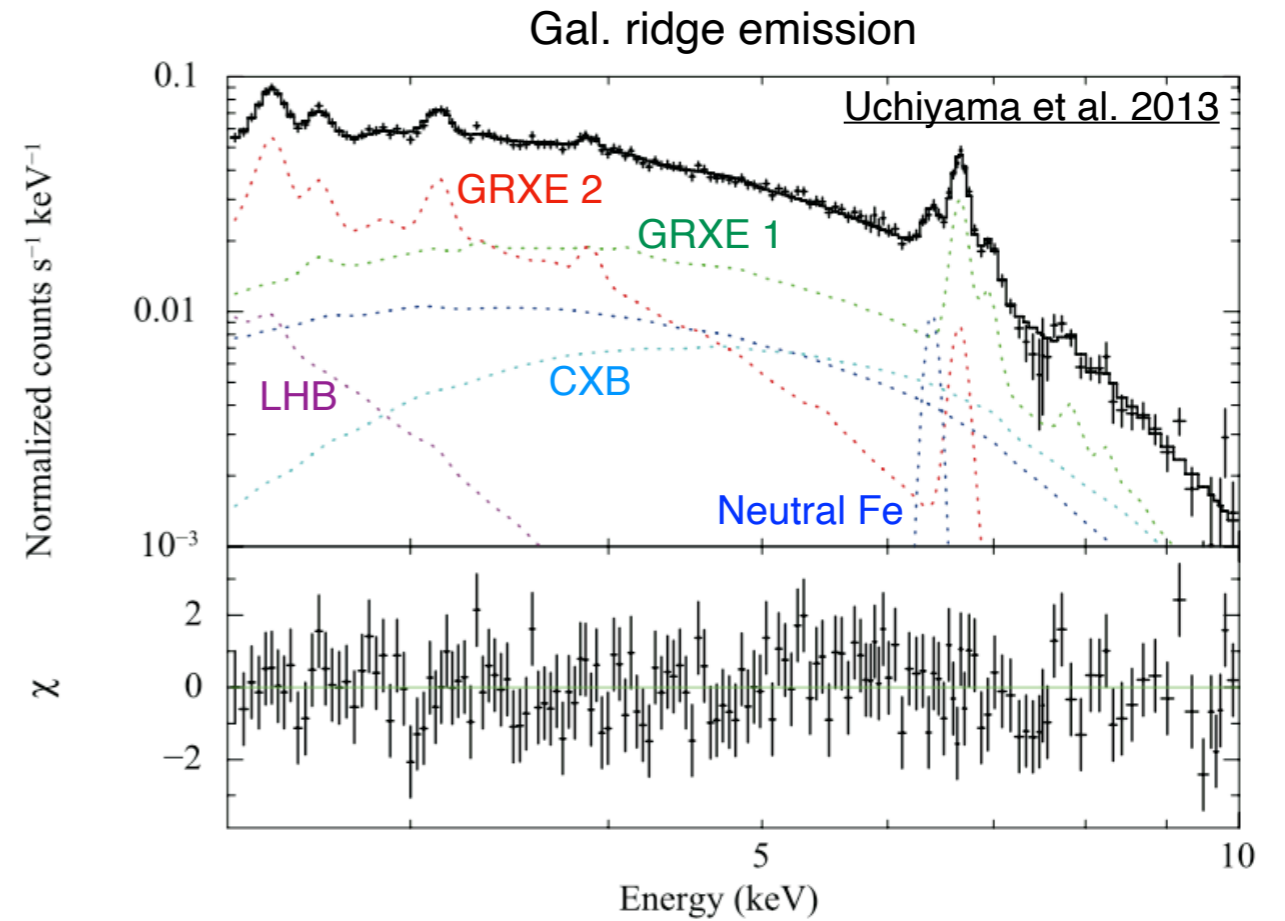
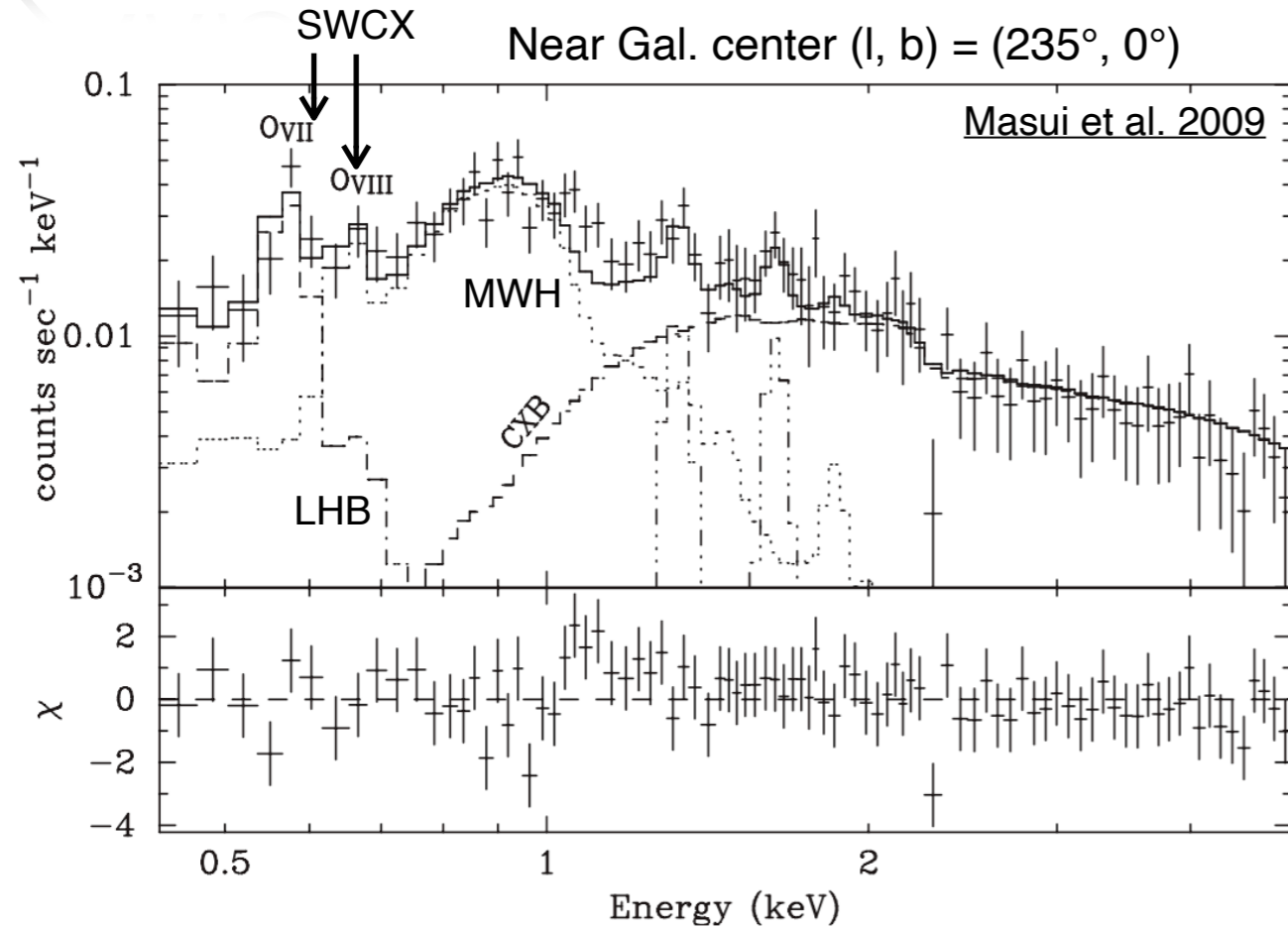
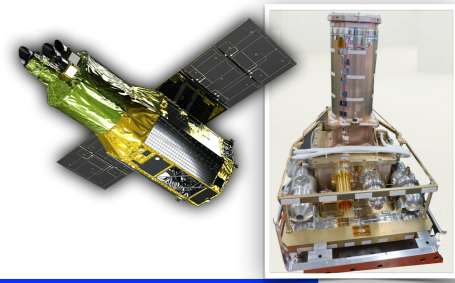


Some other notes

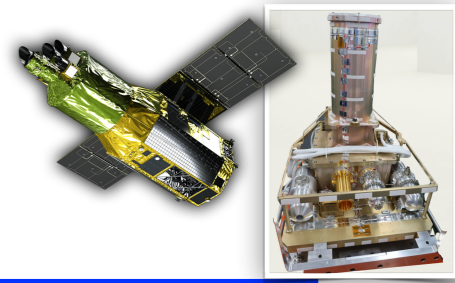


- Transient source search
 - observers' option at proposal submission (yes/no)
 - if yes, XRISM team members see observation data before passed to observers, to search for transient sources
 - if a transient found, XRISM team members post a telegram

Sky background



Detector background



- Depends on detector coordinates Nakajima et al. 2018
 - Along readout direction, due to cosmic-ray events in frame store regions
- SXI turned off in SAA but background possibly high just before/after SAA
- Almost ignorable effect of solar cycle

