

PDS-SBN Review of New Horizons LEISA Data (2014 MU₆₉ Approach)

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A spatial-spectral data cube is created by scanning the FOV across the target in a “push-broom” fashion. The data cube is a 3-dimensional array having 256x256xN elements, where N is the number of 256x256 files accumulated over the scan.

e.g., read in calibrated FITS file = ‘nh-p-leisa-3-pluto-v2.0/data/20150714_029917/lrb_0299172889_0x53c_sci.fits’

file = file(x,y,z),

x=spatial (256 elements),

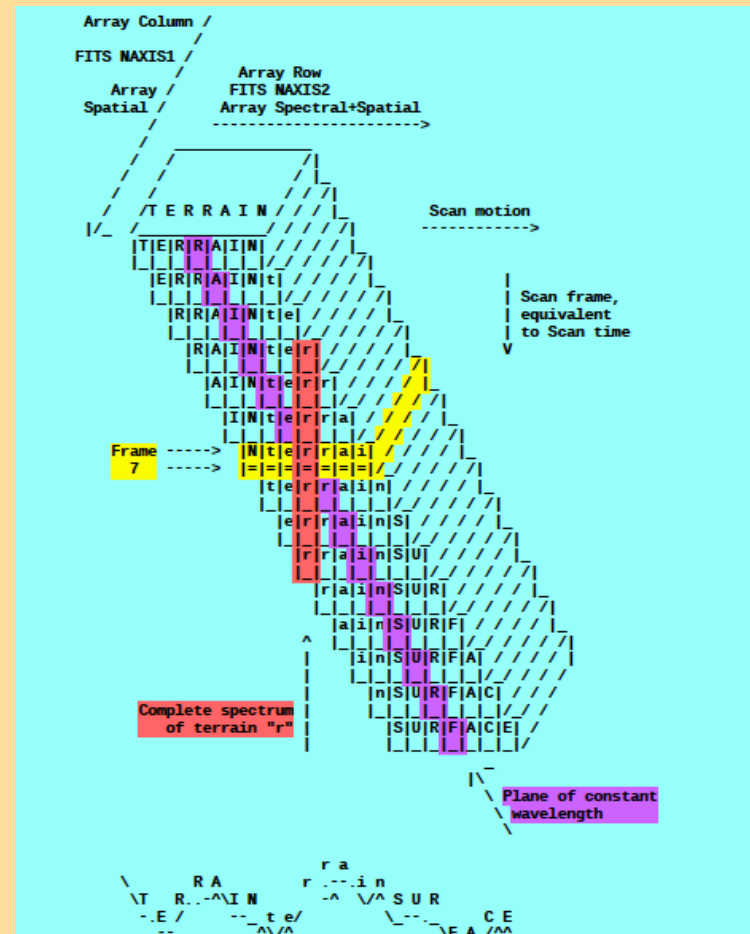
y=lambda(256 elements),

z=spectral/spatial

(N=elements; e.g., N=371)

(i.e., lambda varies spatially)

[figure from ‘leisa_data.pdf’ in folder ‘document’]

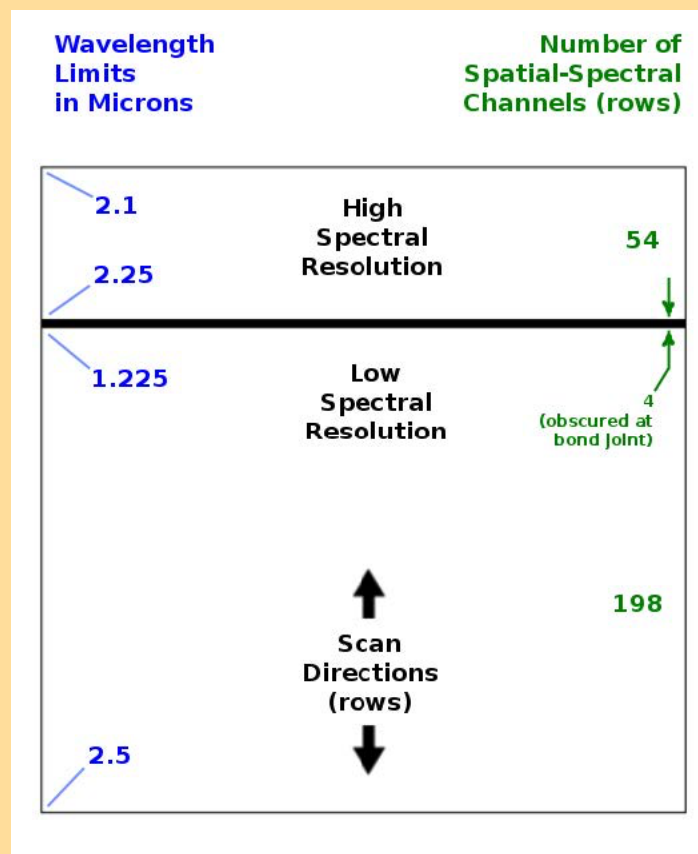
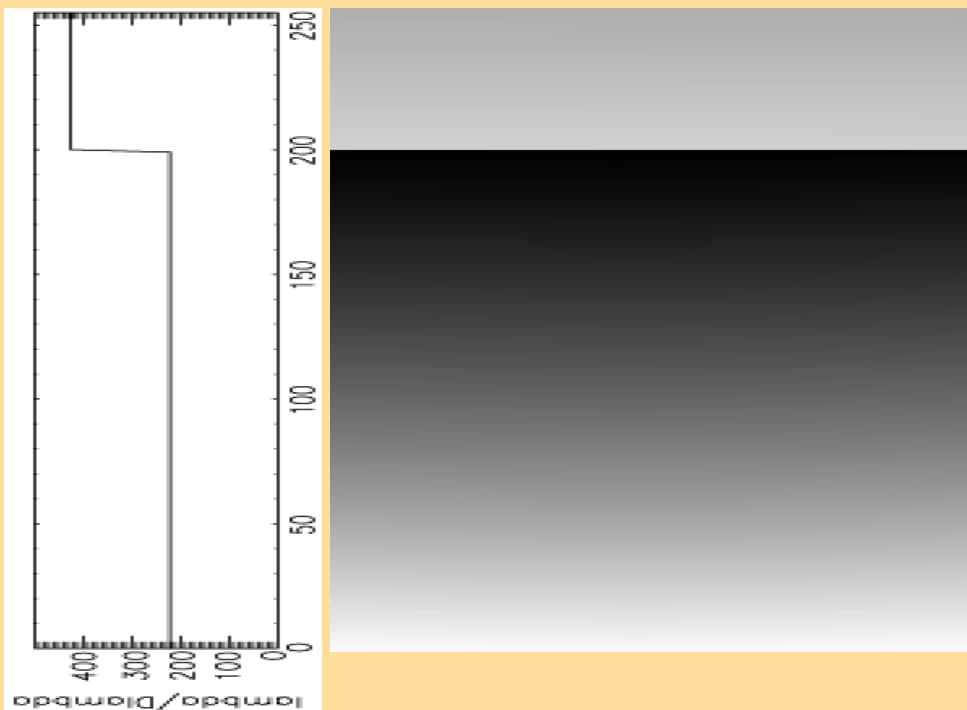


LEISA

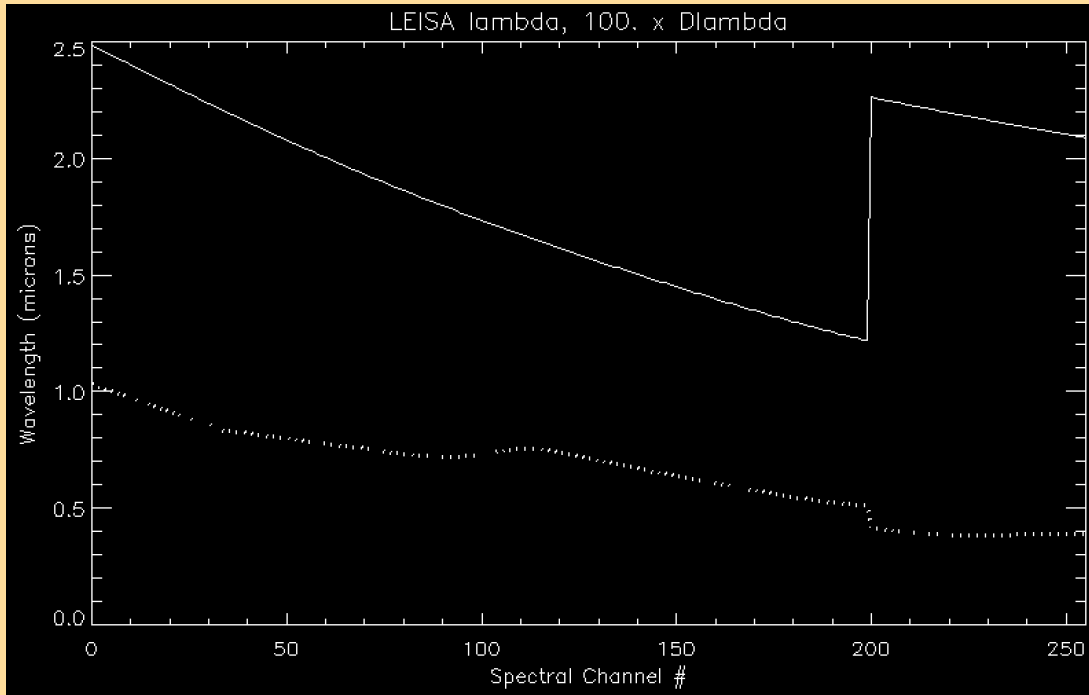
A near-IR (1.2 – 2.5 micron) spectrometer that uses a 256x256 Rockwell PICNIC array, with 40-micron square pixels.

It produces low-resolution ($\lambda/\Delta\lambda \sim 240$) and higher-resolution ($\lambda/\Delta\lambda \sim 540$) spectra over separate sections (ranges of 54 and 199 rows) that are separated by 4 rows obscured by a bond joint.

Note: “Hi-res” $\lambda/\Delta\lambda$ was ~ 425 for Pluto flyby data (as below) but is ~ 540 for cruise & 2014 MU₆₉ approach phases (recalibration)



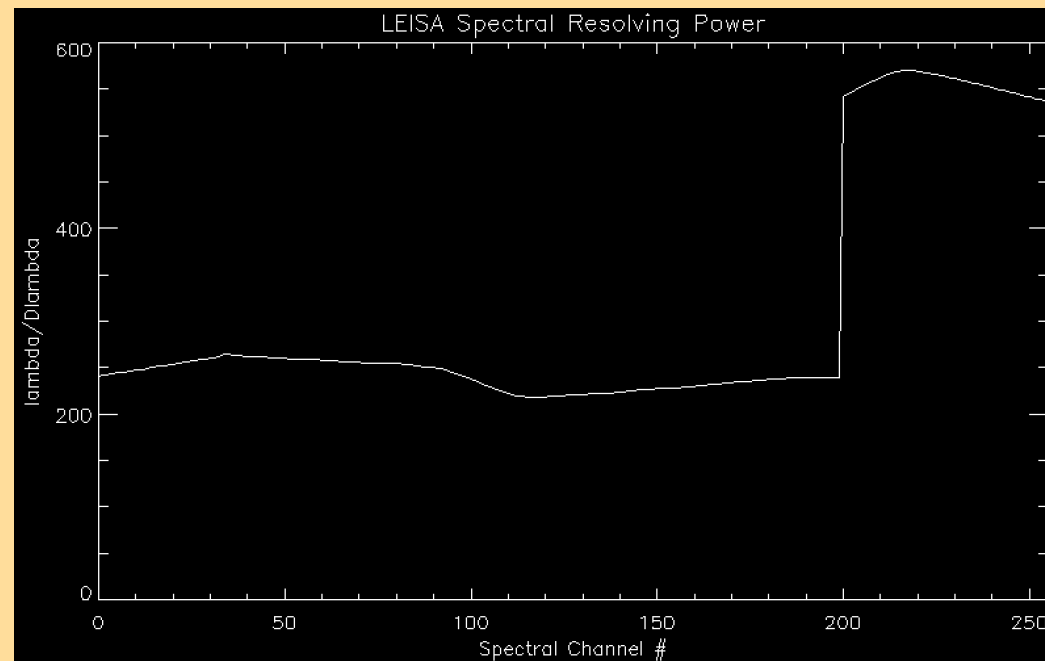
LEISA Wavelength Calibration



λ

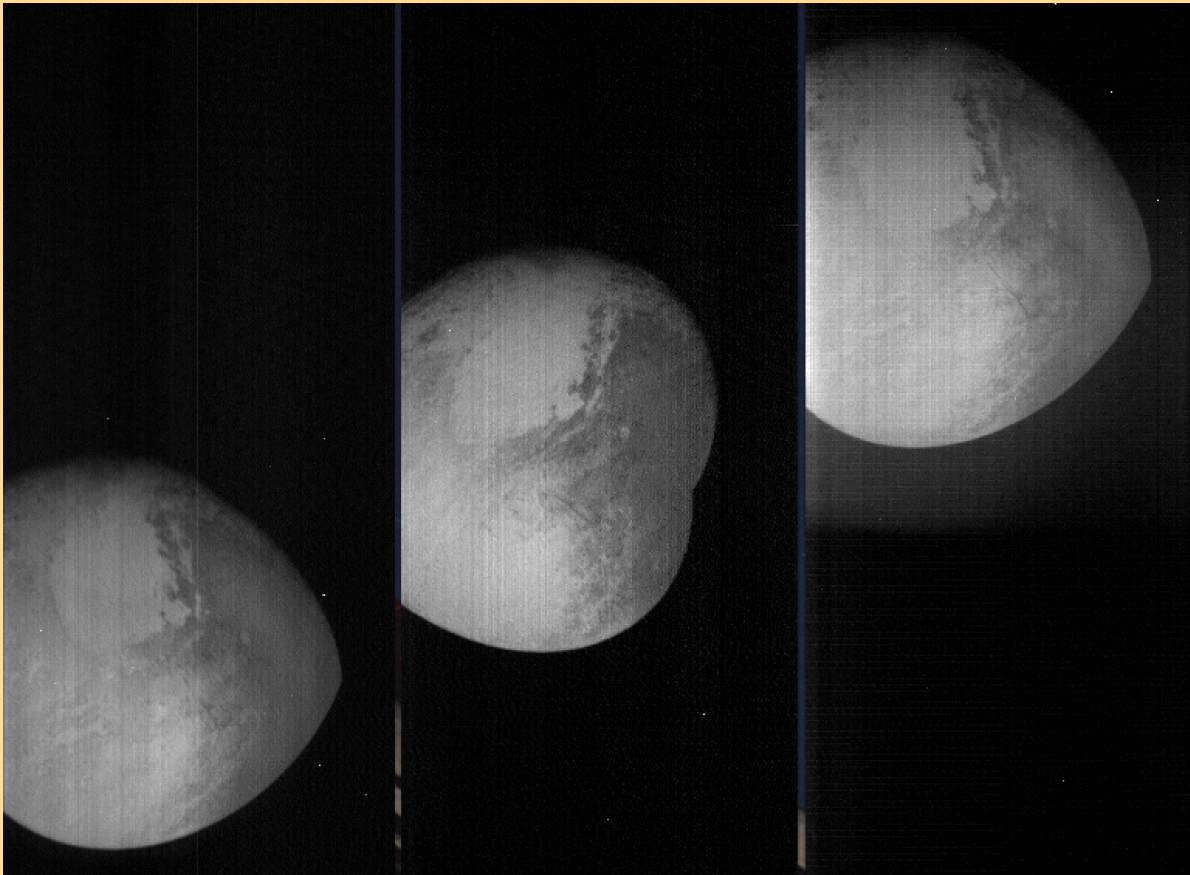
$\Delta\lambda \times 100$

$\lambda / \Delta\lambda$



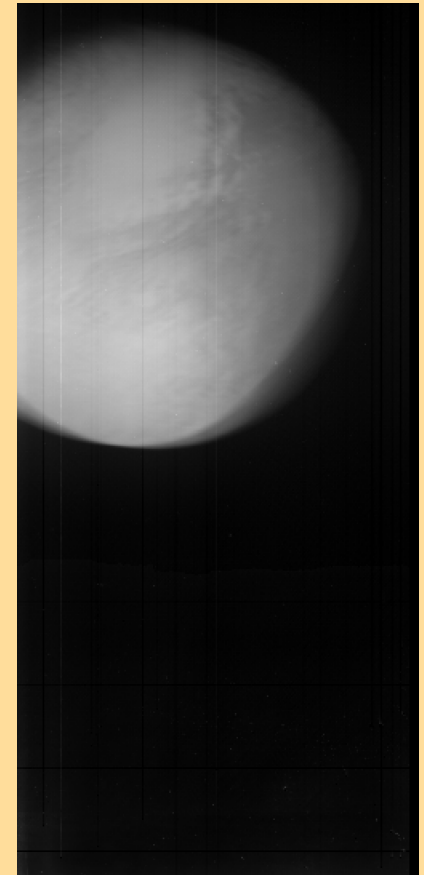
LEISA Pluto flyby Data

Transpose $\text{file}(x,y,z)$ $[256,256,N] \rightarrow \text{file_tr}(x,z,y)$ $[256,N,256]$



$\text{file}(0:255,0:N-1,0)$ $\text{file}(0:255,0:N-1,127)$ $\text{file}(0:255,0:N-1,255)$

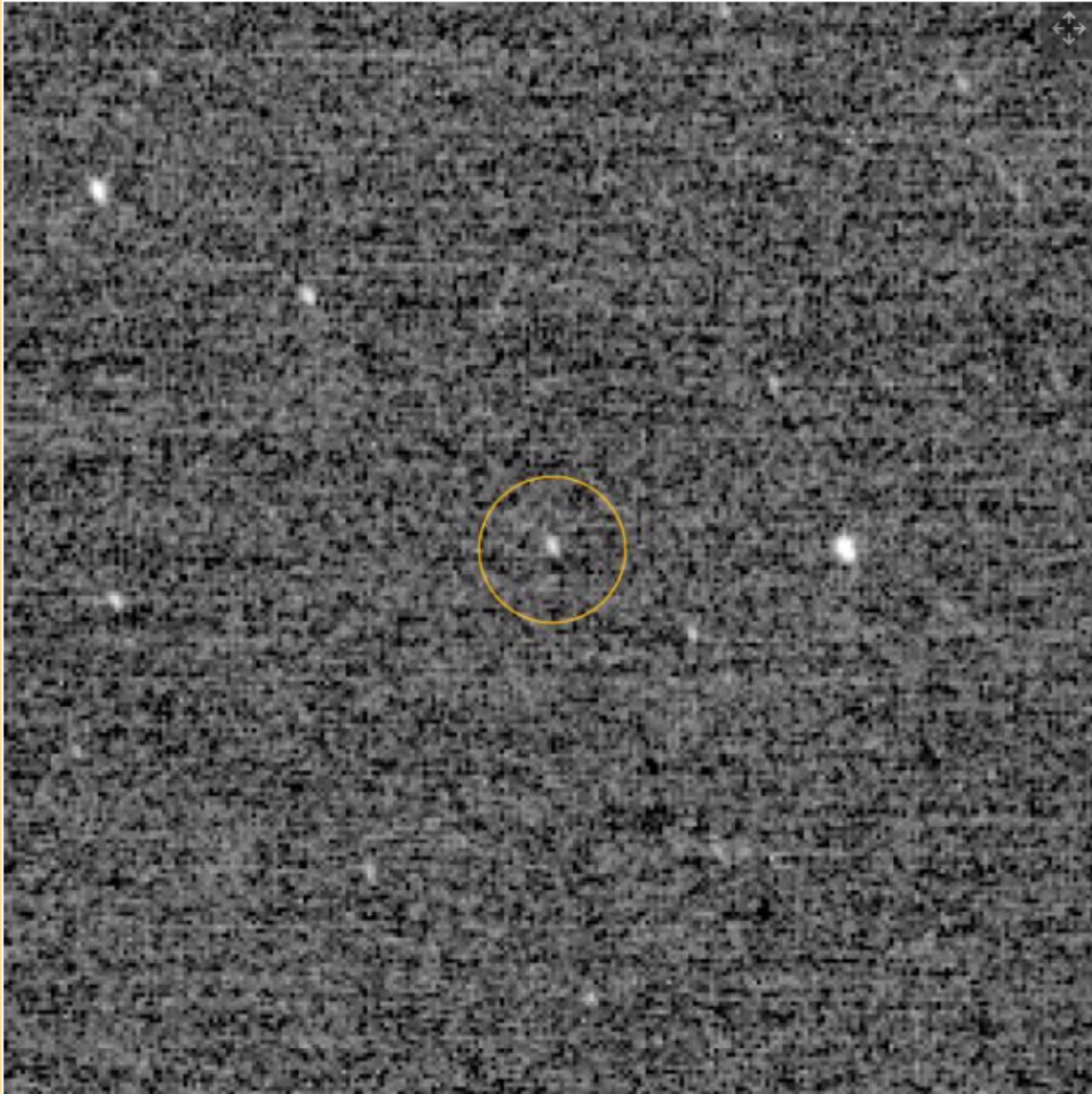
→
shift -
register



$\text{file_tr_sh}(0:255,0:N-1,\Sigma[0:255])$
(i.e., summed over all lambdas)

(Some residual wobble in x-dim)

Arrokoth (2014 MU₆₉) Approach



“First Look” at MU69, at $d \sim 10^6$ km (with LORRI)

LEISA MU₆₉ Approach DATA

Summary of NHkele_1001 LEISA files, February May 2020 PDS-SBN review*						
"Folder" ID	*_0x53c_eng.lbl	UT Date	Start UT	End UT	Target	S/C <u>dist</u> (km)
20180820_039709	lsb_0397097519	2018-08-20	19:00:01	19:07:44	Vega	N/A
20181231_040854	lsb_0408542761	2018-12-31	06:14:03	06:21:04	MU_69	1.21e6
20181231_040860	lsb_0408605304	2018-12-31	23:36:26	23:43:12	MU_69	3.06e5
20190101_040860	lsb_0408606595	2018-12-31	23:57:57	00:04:43	MU_69	2.88e5
	lsb_0408609177	2019-01-01	00:40:59	00:47:45	MU_69	2.50e5
20190101_040861	lsb_0408610468	2019-01-01	01:02:30	01:09:16	MU_69	2.32e5
	lsb_0408613050	2019-01-01	01:45:32	01:52:18	MU_69	1.94e5
	lsb_0408614341	2019-01-01	02:07:03	02:13:49	MU_69	1.75e5
	lsb_0408619338	2019-01-01	03:30:20	03:37:09	MU_69	1.04e5
20190101_040862	lsb_0408621929	2019-01-01	04:13:31	04:22:18	MU_69	6.55e4
	lsb_0408624118	2019-01-01	04:50:00	05:05:16	MU_69	3.12e4
*Closest approach to 2014 MU_69: 3540 km, at 05:33 UT on 20190101 (scheduled)						

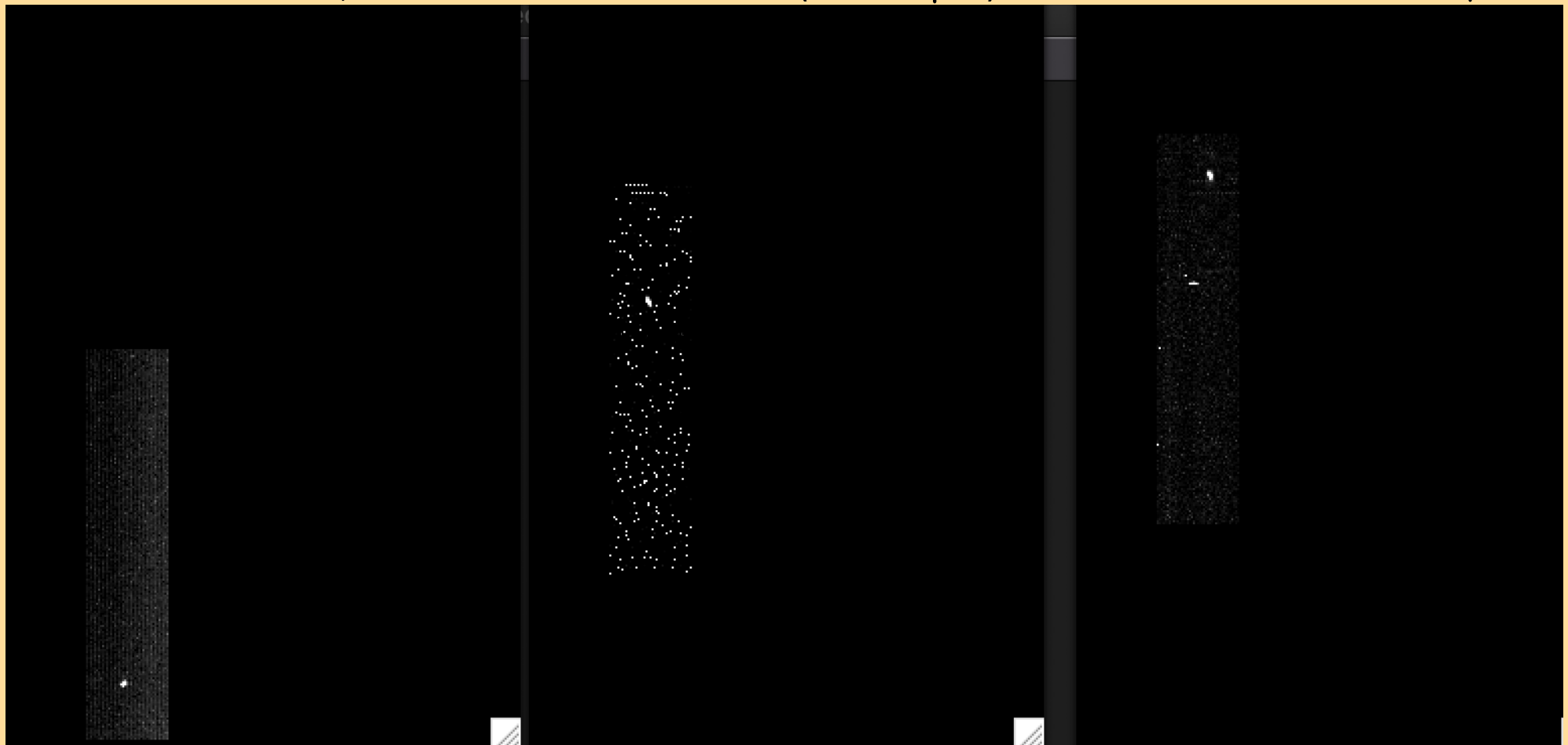
LEISA CRUISE DATA (20aug2018)

/data/20180820_039709/lb_0397097519_0x53c_eng.fit (Alpha Lyrae)

Channel 9 (2.4088 μm)

Channel 194 (1.2384 μm)

Channel 250 (2.1038 μm)



Low-res ($\lambda/\Delta\lambda \sim 243$)

High-res ($\lambda/\Delta\lambda \sim 542$)

(Spatially unregistered)

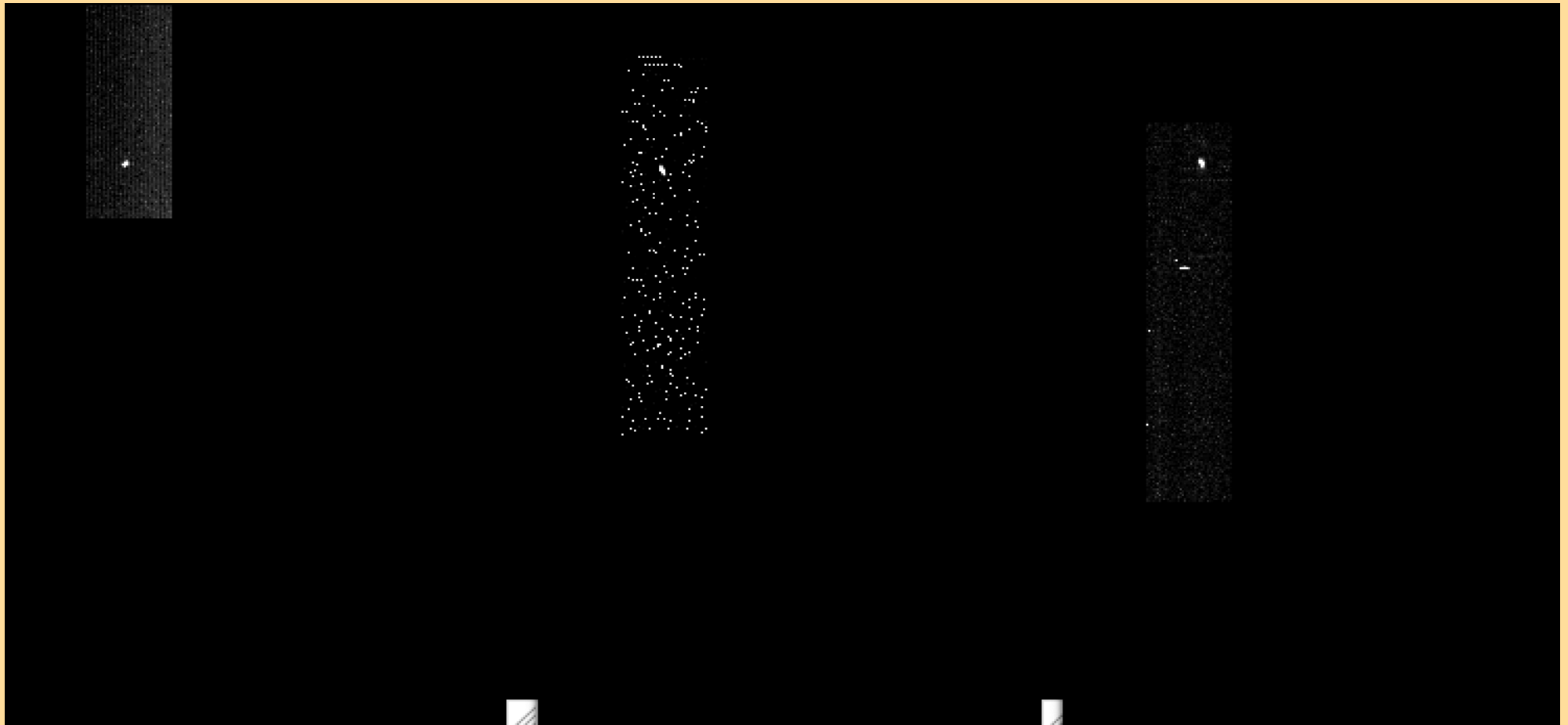
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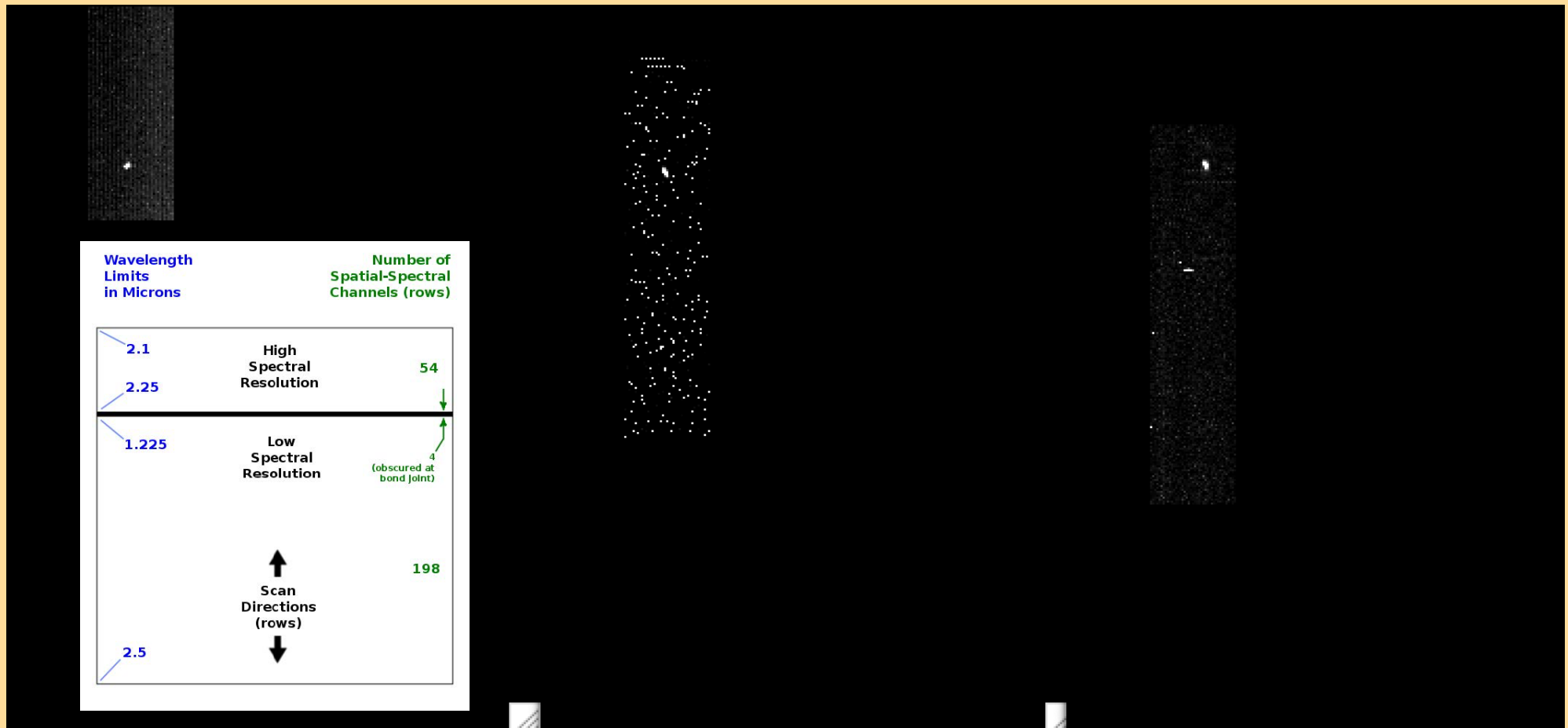
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LEISA approaching MU69 (01jan2019)

lsb_0408624418_0x53c_eng.fit (04:50 – 05:05 UT), $\langle d \rangle = 31.2e3$ km

Ch1

Ch127

Ch255

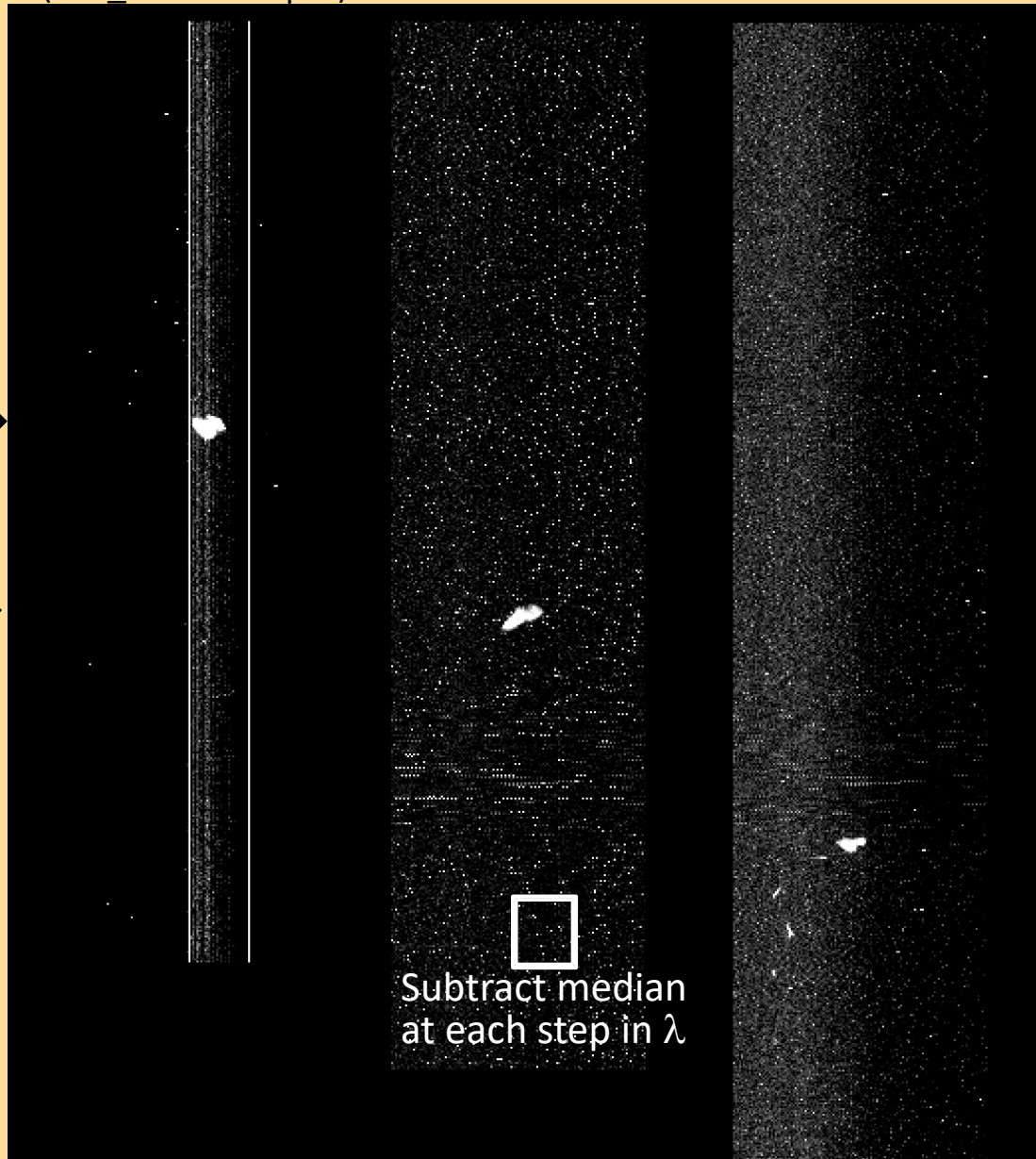
(low_res2.4744 μm) (low_res1.5748 μm) (high_res2.0895 μm)

Spatially Unregistered (Raw)

Start: row392 →

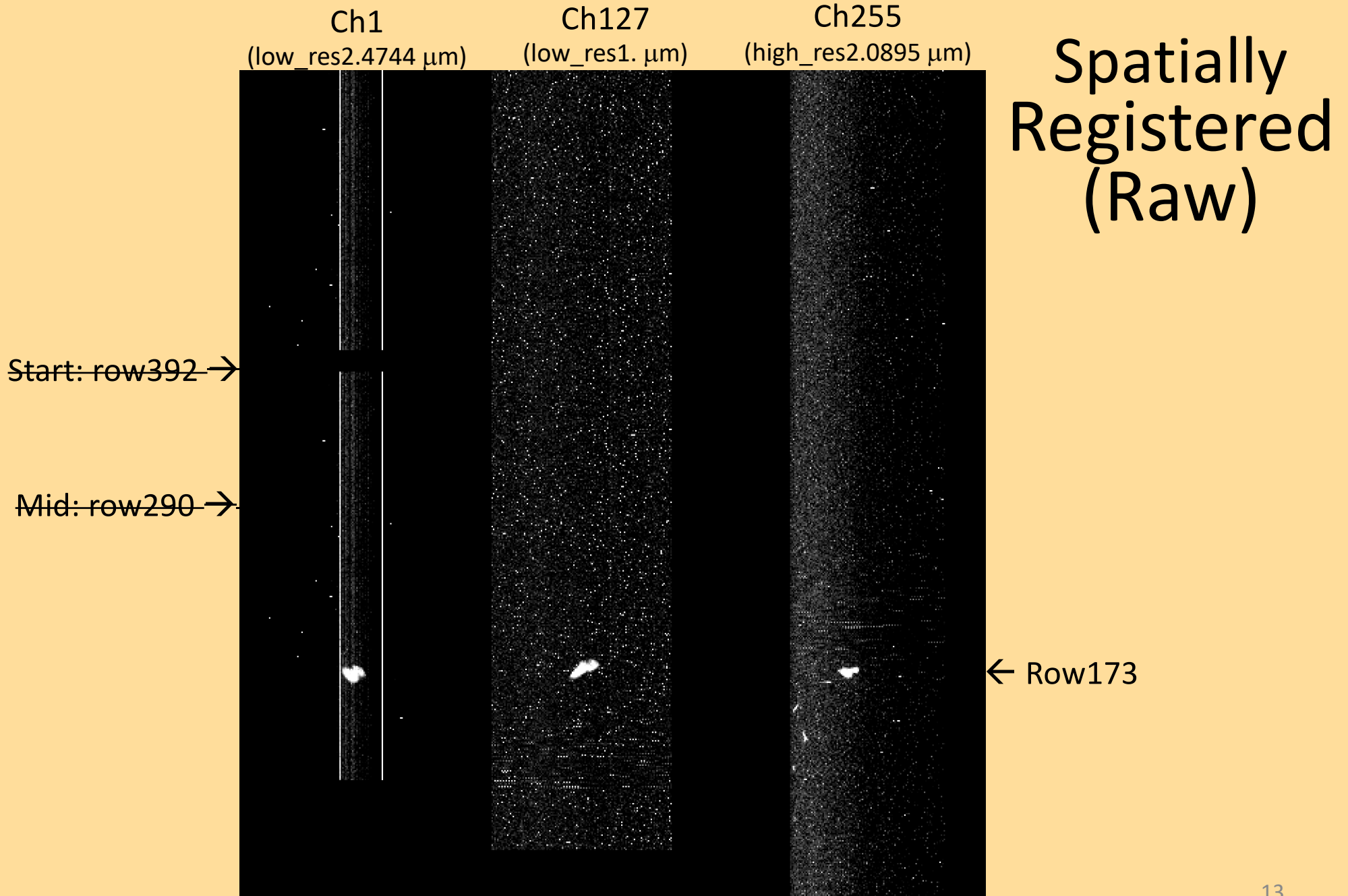
Mid: row290 →

← End: row173

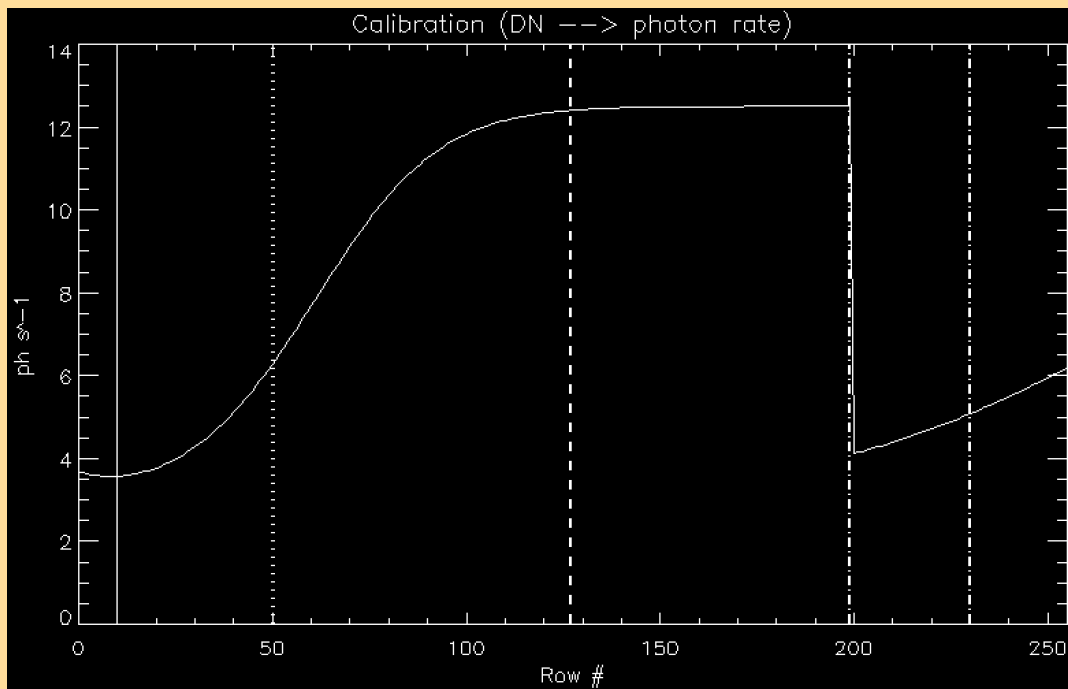


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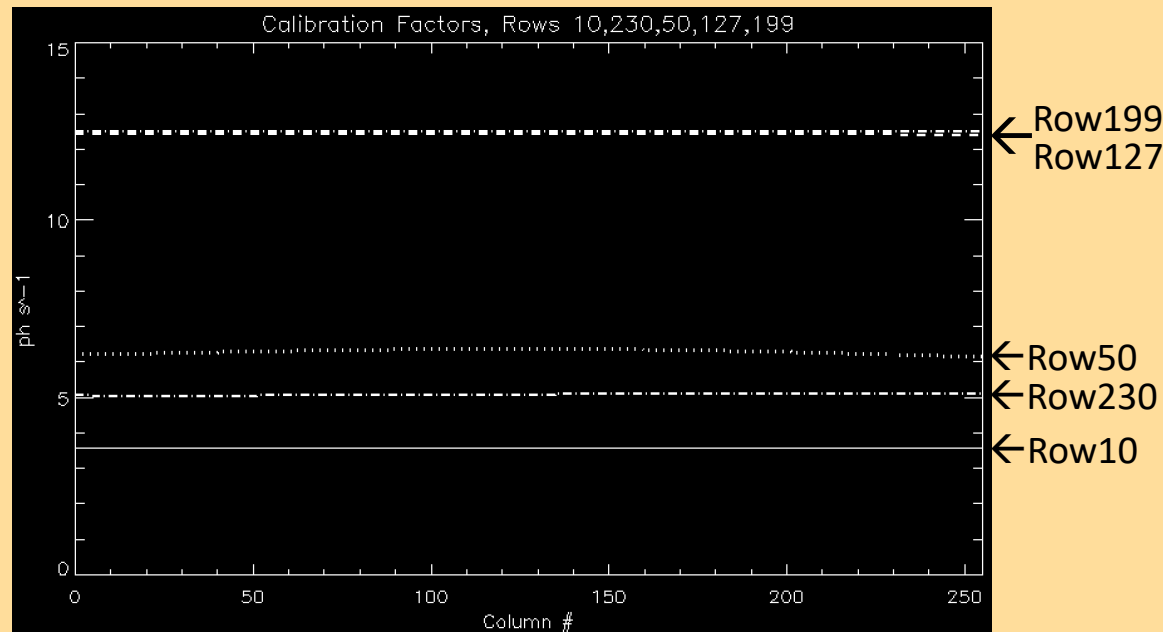
lsb_0408624418_0x53c_eng.fit (04:50 – 05:05 UT), $\langle d \rangle = 31.2e3$ km



LEISA Intensity Calibration



Could express as flux density, e.g., Rayleighs/Angstrom ($\equiv 10^6 \text{ ph s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ \AA}^{-1}$) once aperture (e.g., pixel) angular subtense is specified. The pixel solid angle $\Omega(\text{pix}) \cong 1.7\text{e-}7 \text{ sr}$ (taken from 'calinfo.txt').



LEISA approaching MU69 (01jan2019)

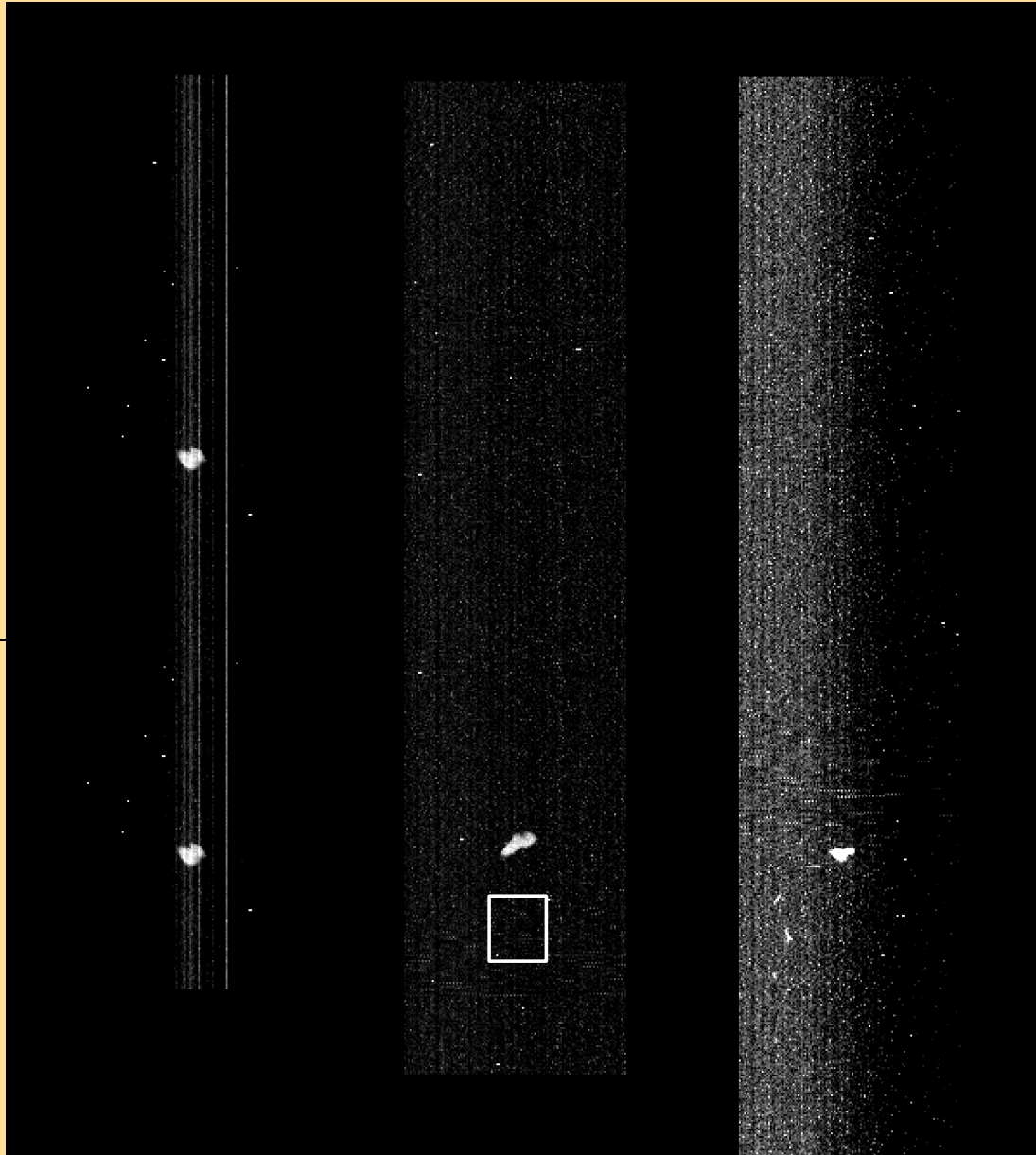
lsb_0408624418_0x53c_eng.fit (04:50 – 05:05 UT), $\langle d \rangle = 31.2e3$ km

Ch1 (low_res2.4744 μm) Ch127 (low_res1. μm) Ch255 (high_res2.0895 μm)

Spatially Registered (Calibrated)

Start: row392 →

Mid: row290 →



← Row173

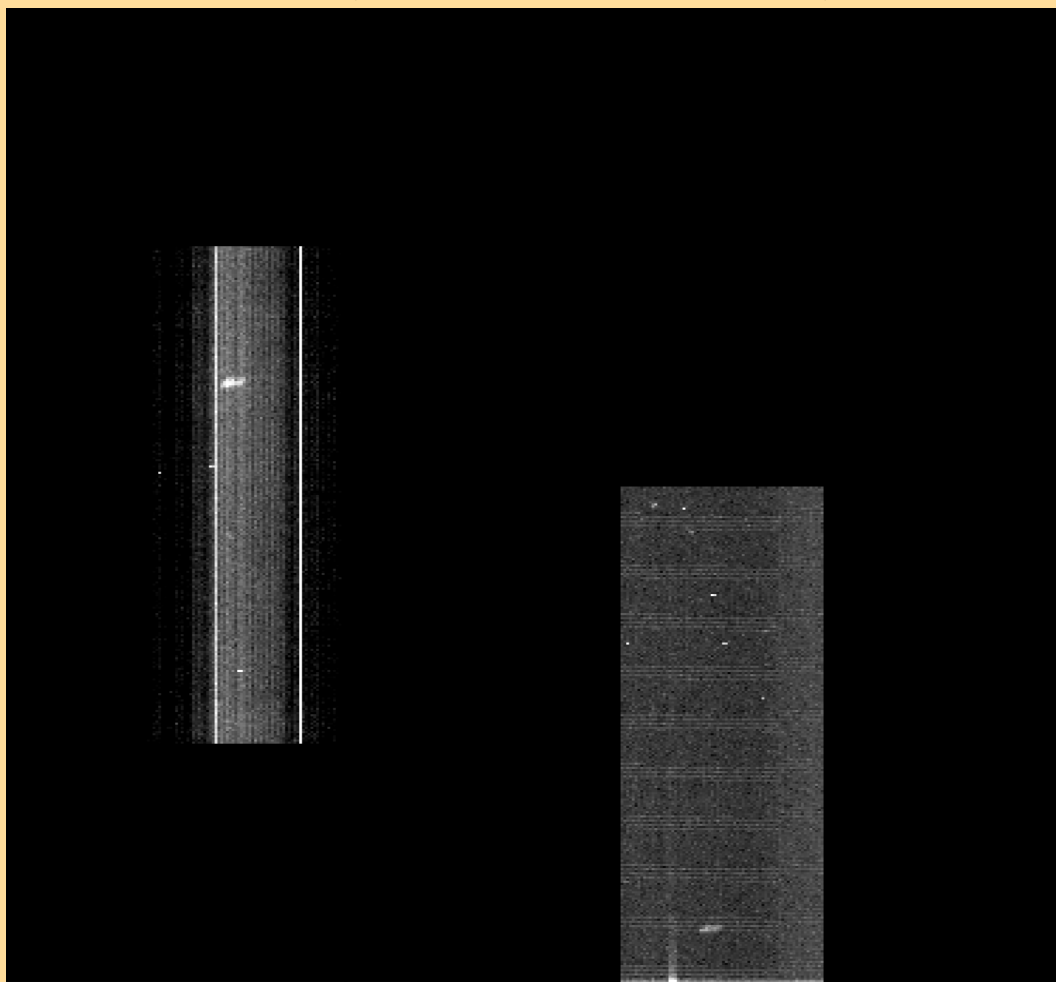
LEISA approaching MU69 (01jan2019)

/data/20190101_040862/lb_0408621929_0x53c_eng.fit (04:14 - 04:22 UT), 65.5e3 km

Ch1
(low_res2.4842 μm)

Ch255
(high_res2.0895 μm)

Start: peak row=285 →



← End: peak row = 26

(Spatially unregistered)

Summary/Suggestions

LEISA frames read in fine, for both raw and calibrated) data.

- lambda 2.5-1.225um (rows0 thru 199, low res), 2.25-2.10um (rows204 thru 255, hi res).
- Asteroid Arrokoth (2014 MU₆₉) is clearly detected at 65e3 and 31e3 km, but tough to see at 102e3km.
- While Vega scan direction is “as expected” (target moved upward through lambda, as w/ Pluto scans), MU₆₉ scan direction is reversed (target moved downward through lambda). In each case it was ~1 row per step in λ .
(Question: Is this due to S/C roll? If so, is there a keyword indicator in the .lbl files?)

Spatial Registration

- Both Vega and MU₆₉ data show some “wobble” in the x-direction, more so for Vega, less so for MU₆₉.

Difficult to extract spectra for Vega or MU₆₉, due to spatial smearing (not so critical for Pluto).

Should be less important for MU₆₉, near closest flyby approach of ~3500 km.

Owing to the reversal in scan direction for MU₆₉, the algorithm to register MU₆₉ data toward closest approach was revised; downward drift rate seems constant, as expected.

Typo in “calinfo.txt”, “l is the **intergration** time, seconds.”

Looking forward to seeing the actual MU₆₉ flyby data.