

EARTH OBSERVING SYSTEM MICROWAVE LIMB SOUNDER



MLS Instrument Operations Status Update

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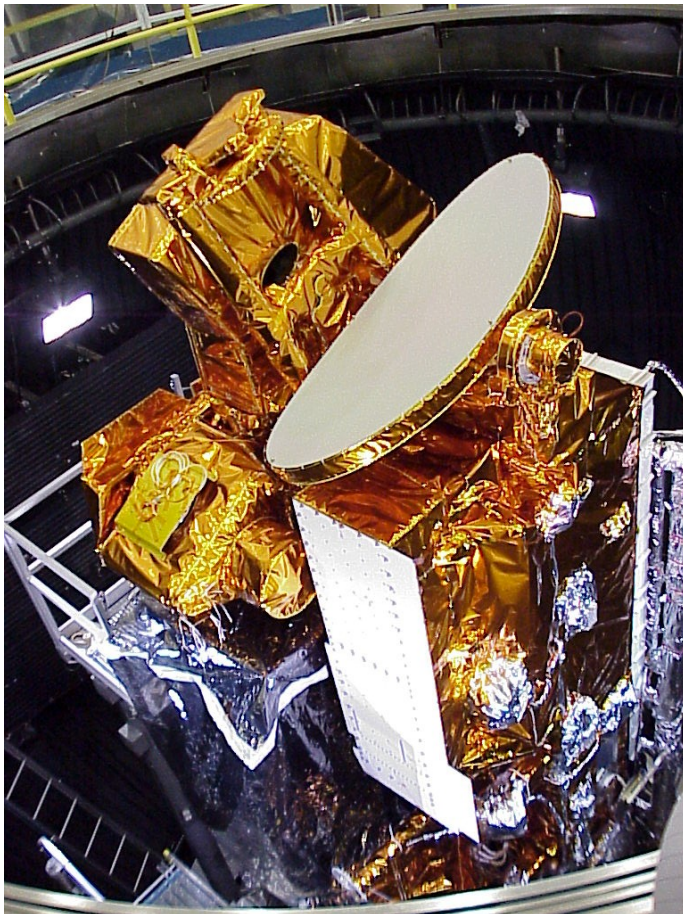
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Overview



- **MLS Ops Significant Events**
- **Instrument performance**
- **Mechanisms**
- **Trends since launch**
- **Anomalies in the past year**
- **Longevity Concerns**
- **Lessons learned**
- **Changes since last year**
- **MLS concerns, issues**
- **Plans**
- **Summary**

MLS Operations Significant Events



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| ● Instrument “first light” | - Jul. 24, 2004 |
| ● Full-up science observations start | - Aug. 13, 2005 |
| ● TSSM life test completion | - Oct. 24, 2005 |
| ● Suspected HBT degradation leads to primary HCL band turn off | - Feb. 16, 2006 |
| ● AAA life test completion | - Mar. 06, 2006 |
| ● MLS performs its first MCL activity | - Mar. 17, 2006 |
| ● MLS Fault Management Cascade after double mechanism fault | - Mar. 29, 2006 |
| ● FM Cascade Recovery | - Apr. 04, 2006 |
| ● Anomalous behavior leads to CIO band shutdown | - Apr. 08, 2006 |
| ● CIO band on to observe southern polar winter | - May 18, 2006 |
| ● SIF4 Fault Management Shutdown | - Jul. 14, 2007 |
| ● SIF4 Recovery/ 2 nd ASE/GME mechanism double fault | - Aug. 07, 2007 |
| ● ASE/GME Recovery | - Aug. 08, 2007 |

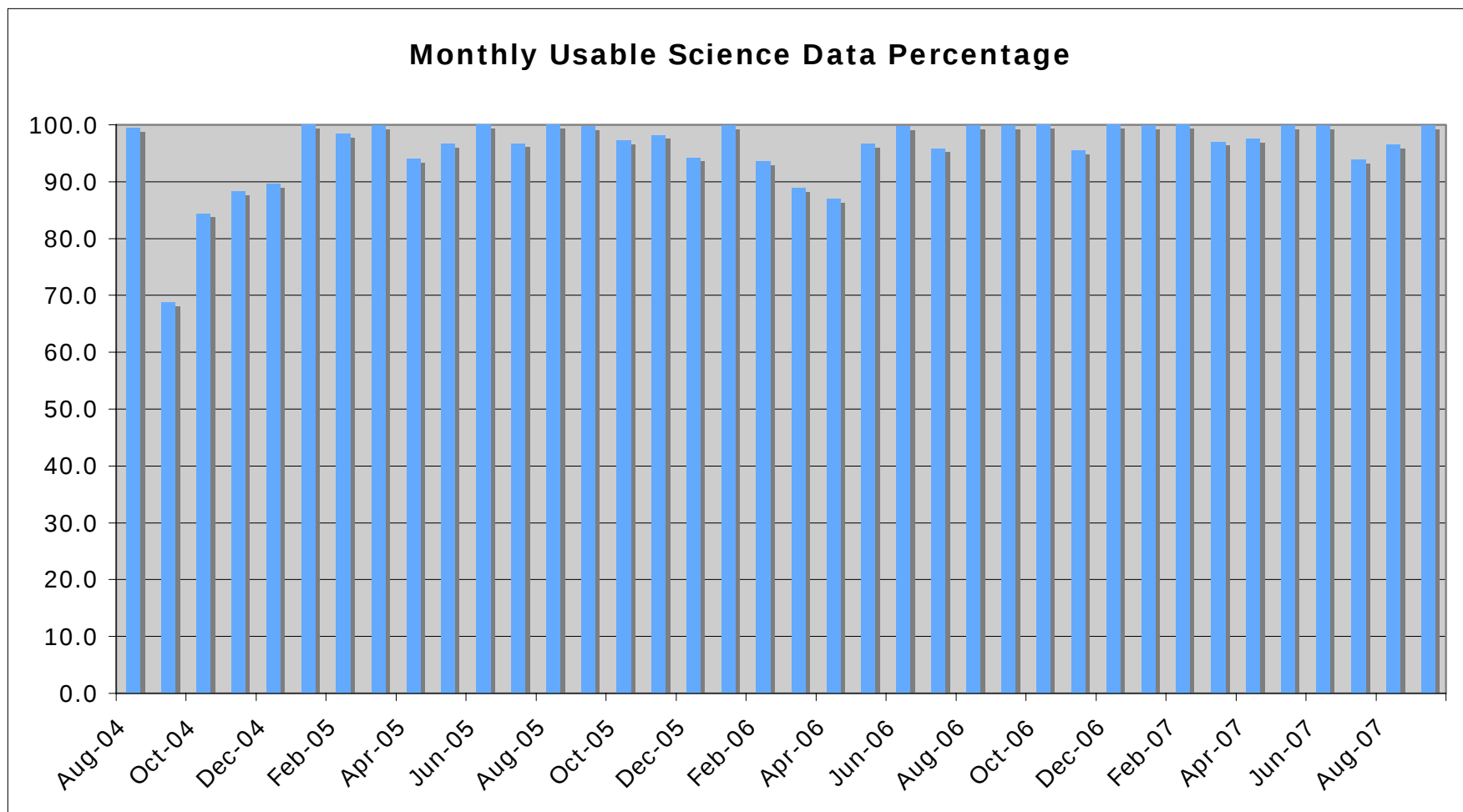
Instrument Science Performance Overview



- **On-orbit performance and sensitivity are as seen in pre-launch testing**
 - Performance parameters are routinely trended
 - Small reductions in signal gains have been noted in the 25 channel spectrometers
 - Gain adjustments implemented in April 2006 for most bands to boost the signals to approximately launch levels
 - Adequate signal/gain adjustment remaining for a 5 year mission
 - Based on extrapolation of current trends
 - Next gain adjustment expected in 3 – 6 mo.

EOS MLS Instrument Performance

Percentage Data Usable by Month



Level 2 Data Processing Status, V2.2



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MLS Mechanisms



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- **All MLS EM mechanisms exhibited acceptably low amounts of wear after one life test**
 - **Flight mechanism performance and trends have been stable and show no adverse signs to indicate trouble**
 - **The MLS mechanisms are known to be sensitive to power supply glitches**
 - **Several on-orbit mechanism anomalies have led to a pre-authorized mechanism recovery plan for a faster return to science in the event of an understood mechanism anomaly**



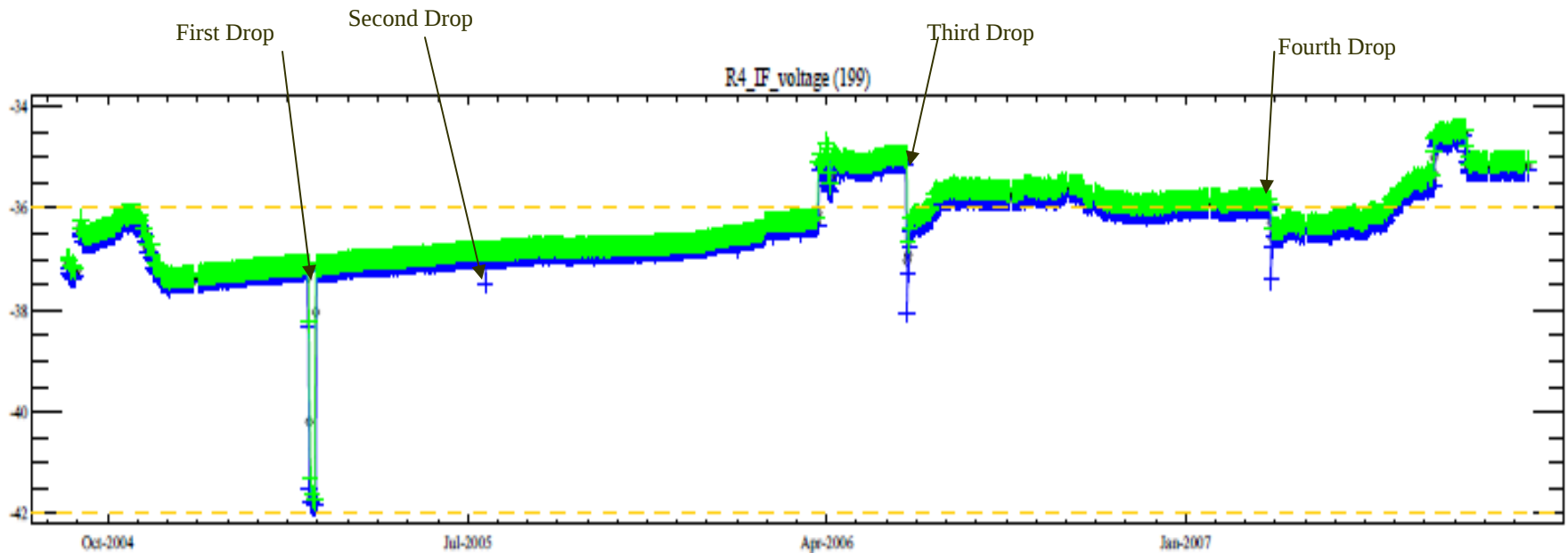
Instrument Performance Trends

- **All engineering telemetry and Level 0 science data are reviewed and trended by the IOT daily (5/7)**
 - Over 500 engineering telemetry points
 - Over 540 filterbank channels
 - Over 500 digital auto-correlator channels (trended daily as 16 high level parameters)
- **Most trends are nominal**
 - Selected trends included in backup slides
- **Three Non-nominal Trends**

MLS Non-nominal Trends R4 Receiver LO IF Power Monitor



- The 640 GHz receiver (R4) LO IF power has temporarily dropped on four occasions but has recovered each time
- These drops have no corresponding impact on the science data



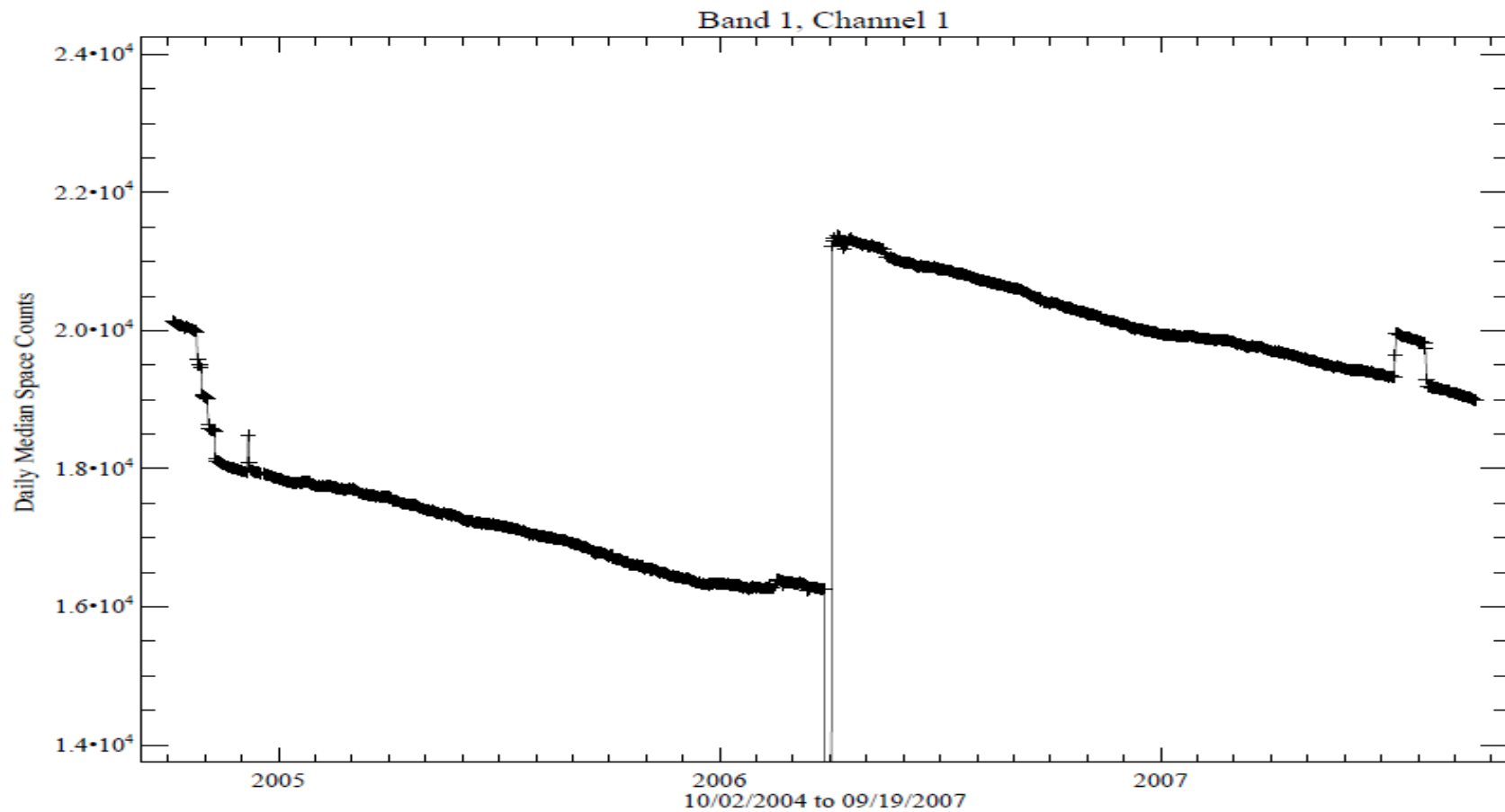
Non-nominal Trends

Bands 10, 29 & 13



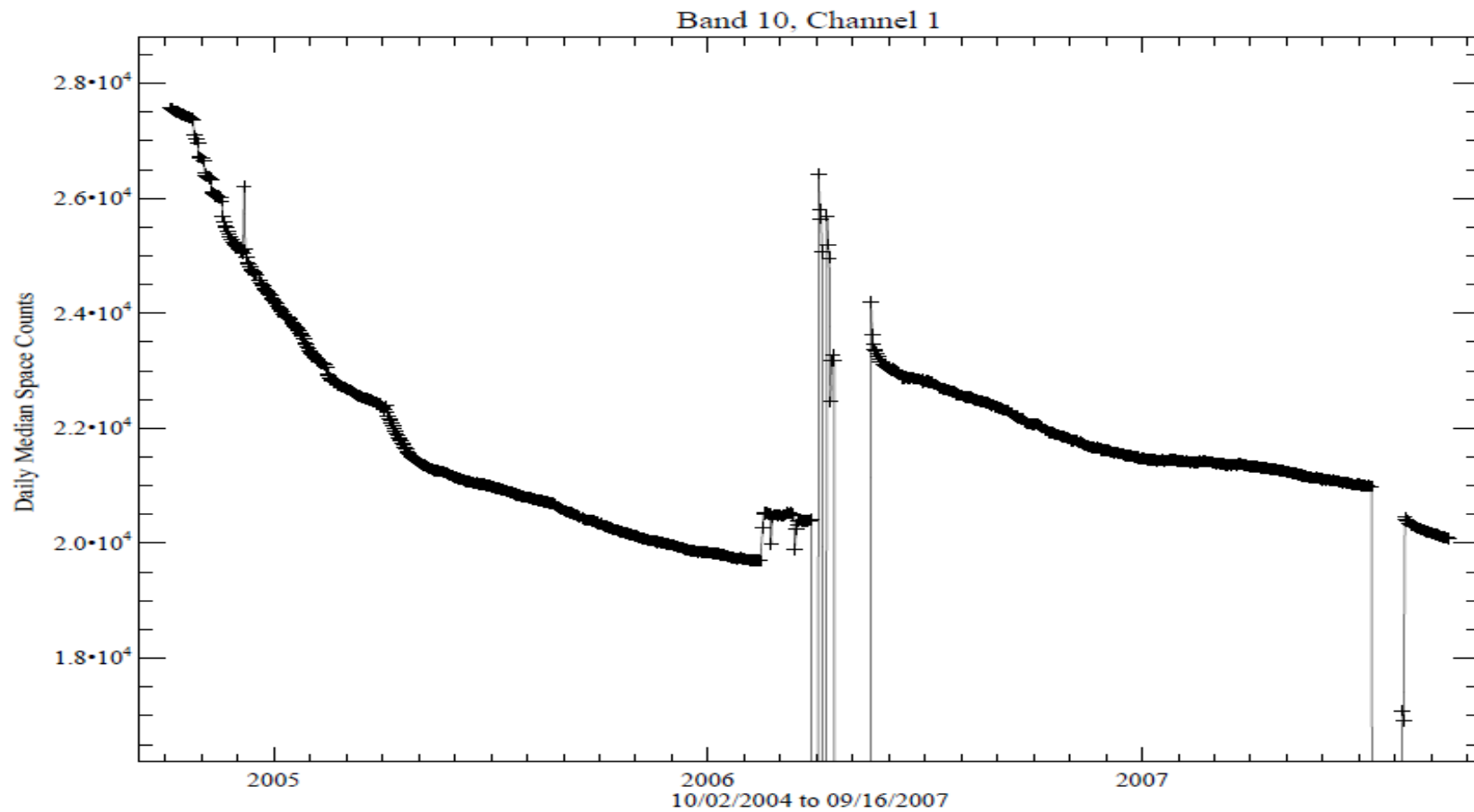
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- The 640 GHz IF signal feeding Bands 10 & 29 (CIO & HOCl) shows increased thermal sensitivity and anomalous behavior
 - Instrument operations have been modified to minimize thermal cycling on the Bands 10 & 29 electronics. Assuming current trends continue, it is projected that Bands 10 & 29 will viable throughout the 5 year mission
 - The 640 GHz IF Band 13 (HCl) electronics show a rapidly decreasing output signal level (2006)
 - Band 14 overlaps the Band 13 HCl measurement (with slightly degraded measurement performance), and is being used to retrieve HCl science data

MLS Band 1 Nominal Trend (for comparison)



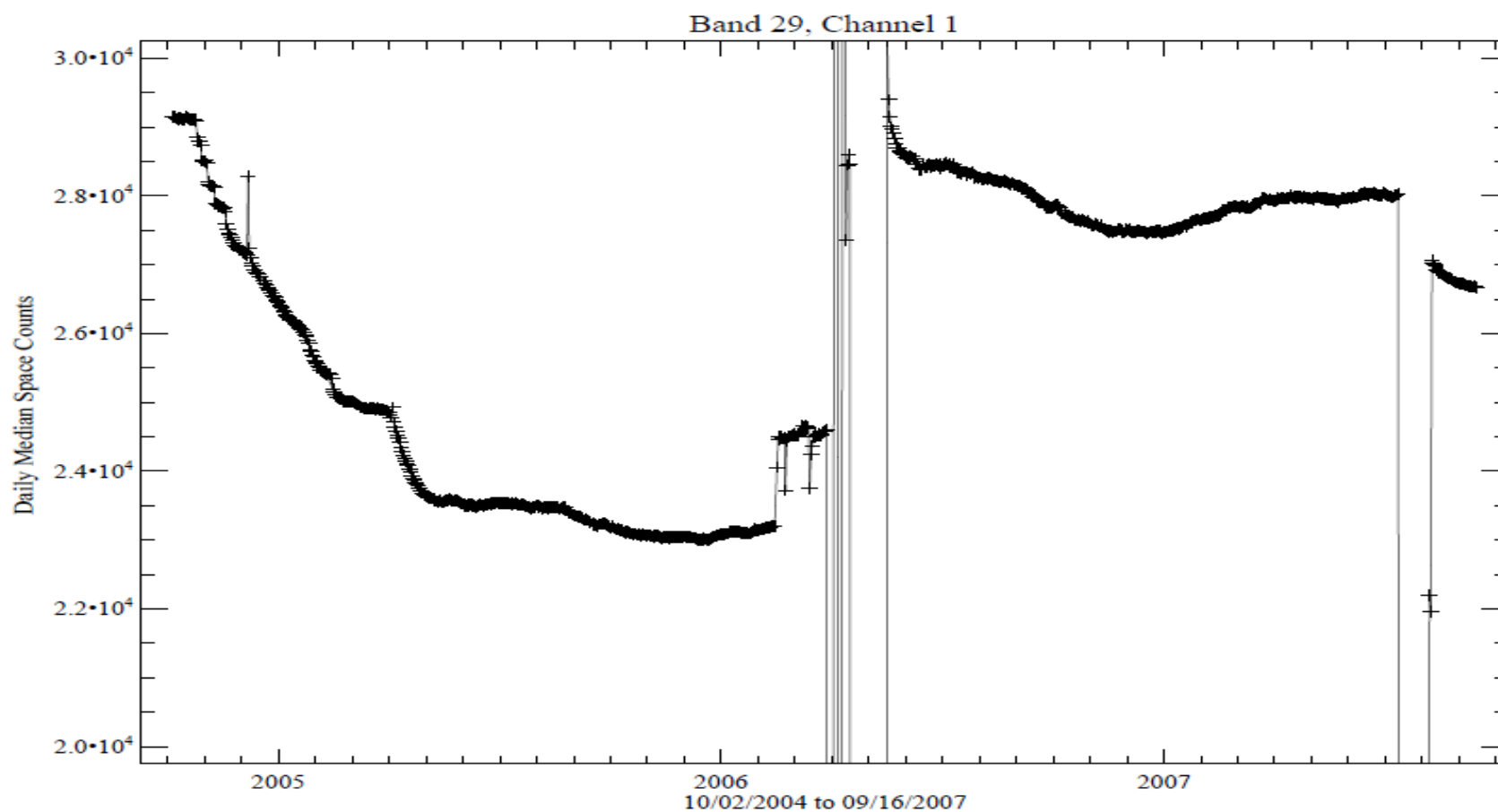
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Band 10 (CIO) Trend



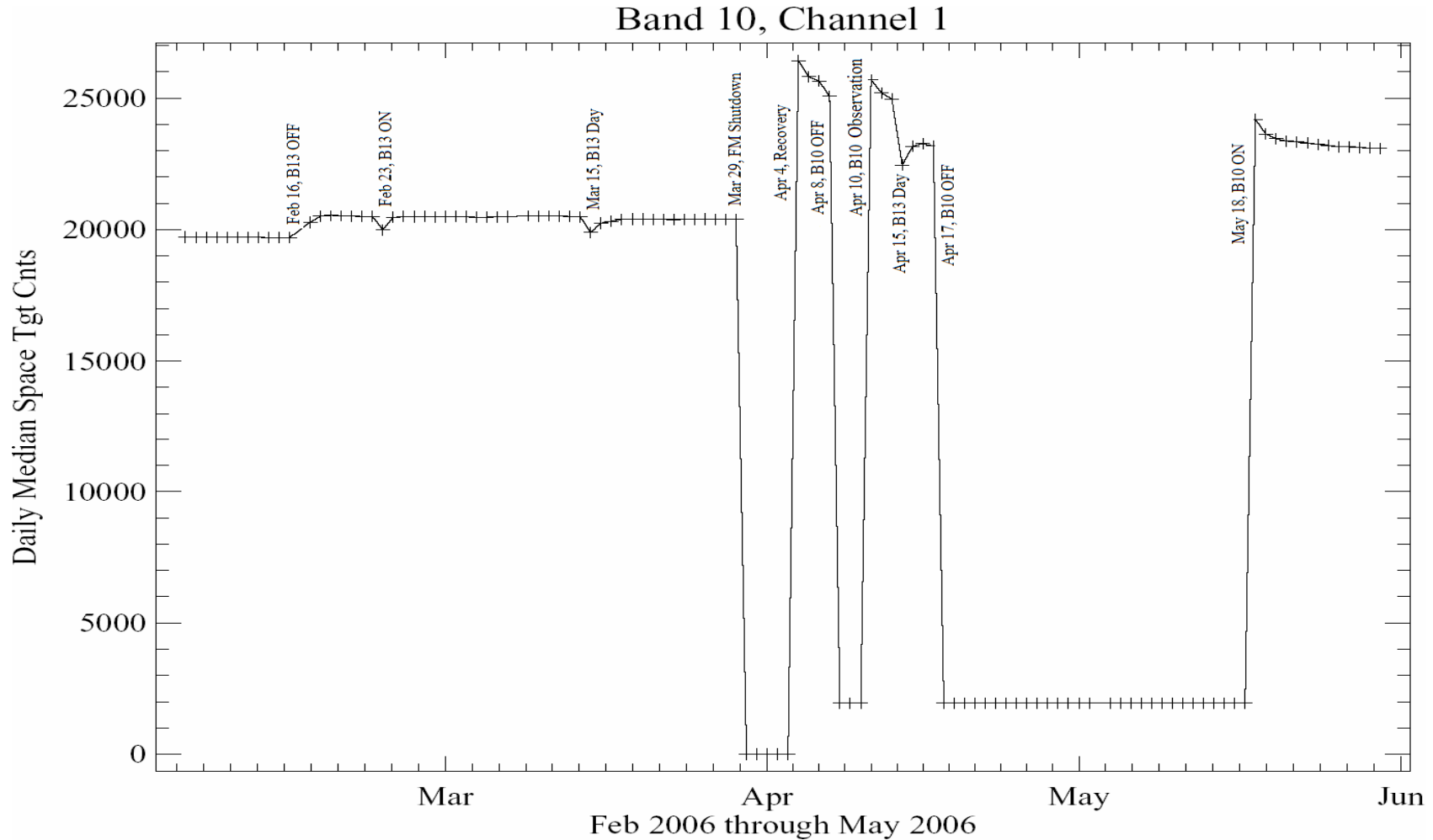
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Band 29 (HOCl) Trend



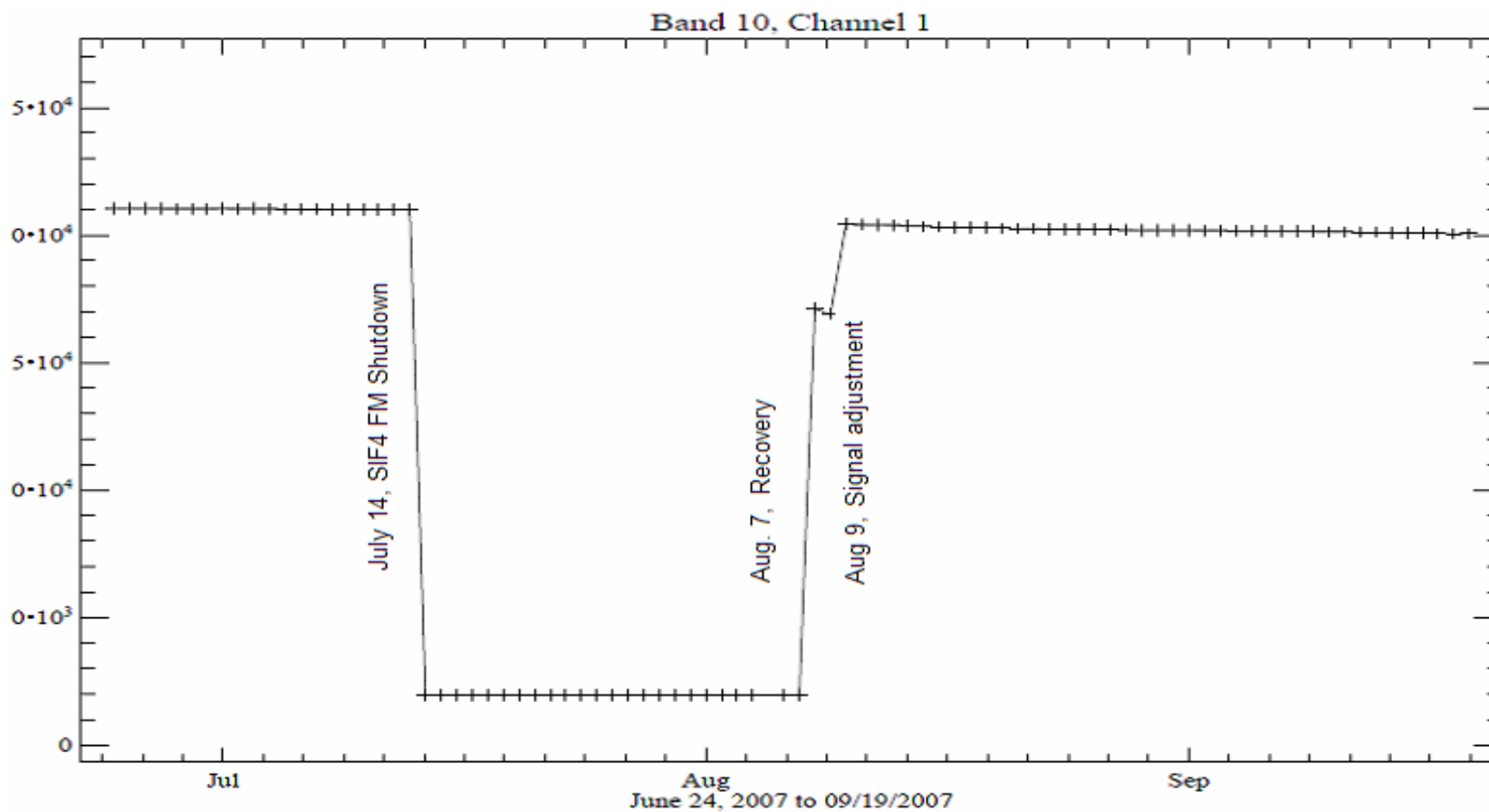
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Focus: Feb. to May, 2006



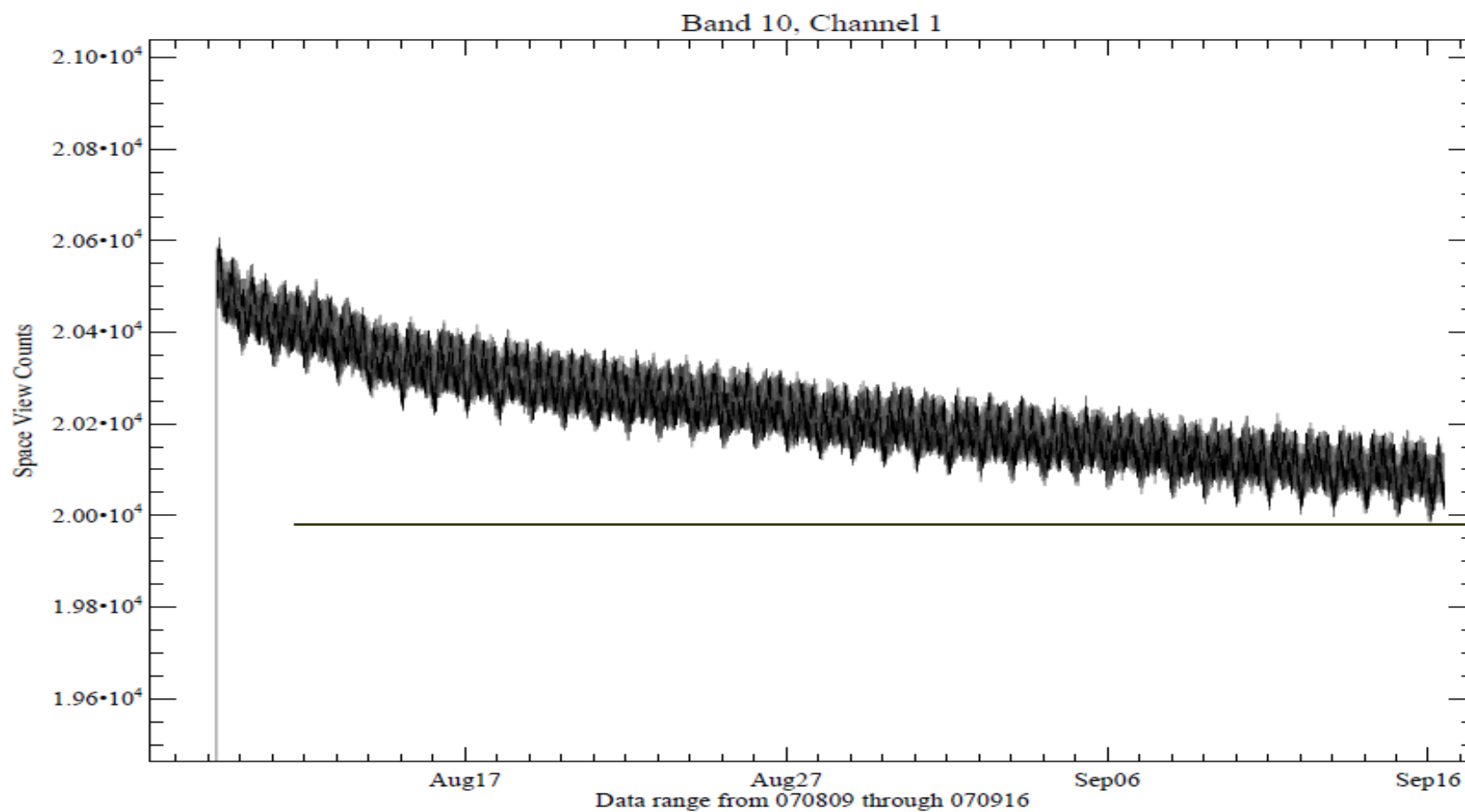
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Focus: June 24 to Sept. 19, 2007



Band 10 (CIO) Trend

From scan restart on 8/08/2007 to present



Anomalies in the past year



- **SIF4 Shutdown, July 2007**
 - Shut down by MLS FSW during a back orbit
 - Examination of all data reveal no indications of anything abnormal before the shutdown
 - Suspected cause of shutdown is an SEU
 - Recovery was successful and hardware appears nominal 1+ months after the recovery

- **Double mechanism fault, August 2007**
 - Occurred during the final step of the SIF4 Recovery activity
 - Repeated the same movements seen in March 2006
 - Has no identifiable cause that we know of
 - Recovery successful, no issues

Longevity Concerns

Spectrometer Module



- **Certain parts within the spectrometer module have been degrading slowly since launch due to a known issue**
 - **The performance of these parts is the cause for the small decreasing slope seen in the filterbank trends**
 - **Existing test data on these parts is insufficient to project remaining life**
 - **While we are aware of this performance degradation, none of these parts have failed since launch**

Longevity Concerns

THz Module Laser Local Oscillator



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- The Laser Local Oscillator (LLO) output power level has been decreasing since launch
 - This is an expected performance trend
 - Once the LLO output drops below a certain threshold, the R5 signal chain will no longer function correctly
 - Affected Bands are 15 – 19, affected science product is OH
 - THz Module success criteria was 1 year, we are now at 3+ years
 - From current trends in THz mixer bias, the LLO power is projected to produce valid science data for an additional ~2+ years

Lessons learned



- **MLS Fault Management (FM)**
 - **MLS FSW has been found to be intolerant of certain double fault conditions**
 - **FSW shuts down anomalous subsystems along with numerous nominal subsystems (FM cascade) when a double fault occurs**
 - **Simultaneous double faults were not tested during I & T**
 - **Updates were made to procedures last year to avert an FM cascade in the event of a simultaneous double fault during ground commanding**
 - **An FM cascade was averted during a double fault event in August of 2007**
- **What has been learned**
 - **Changes made to FM procedures have been successful at averting an FM cascade since implementation in April 2006**
- **Changes**
 - **Operational changes are planned as an attempt to avert the double fault scenario in the future**
 - **These changes will give us more insight as to the cause of the anomalous behavior should it happen again**



Updates since last year

Product and Procedural Updates

- **MLS Red Limit Responses have been re-evaluated to reflect the current operations philosophy**
 - **Early “broad response” approach was appropriate during the early mission timeframe when we were in a defensive posture**
 - **Updated responses minimize thermal disturbances while safing the offending subsystem(s)**
 - **9 new/updated procedures have been developed as Red Limit Responses**
 - **Most procedures have been tested and are ready for CM submission**
 - **Updated Red Limit Responses to be reviewed with GSFC**
- **Mechanism safing procedure updated to account for numerous contingency modes and include FM commands**
- **Subsystem power control procedure updated to include FM commands and to load current instrument configuration before turning off subsystems**
- **Microprocessor load procedure updated to catch anomalous load types**

Updates since last year



MLS Operations Personnel

- No Changes

Documentation Updates

- MLS Op Agreement updated by FOT
- MLS Crisis Response Plan updated by MLS Project Manager
- MLS Operations User's Guide updates in process to reflect operational changes since launch
 - Operational constraints
 - Recovery steps
 - IST system changes

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MLS Concerns & Issues



- **Instrument Support Terminal Status**
 - Loss of remote access to MLS instrument data has been identified as critical for the planned Online IST Phase II security updates
 - IST Online connectivity is still having problems with the new DMZ
 - Remote Desktop disconnects and Workspace data resets are still occurring ~1-2 times per week
 - Remote Desktop Workspace sessions are not updating as they should
 - Workspace windows have no data or clock updates from the Remote Desktop disconnect to Remote Desktop reconnect
 - Denver Raytheon has been working these issues
- **Auto-Ops Status**
 - Changes? Data loss issues?
- **MLS would like to see the following capabilities re-instated:**
 - Dual head monitor capability
 - AOS/LOS clock display

Instrument Plans



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- **Support Aura inclination maneuvers, AVE campaigns and other spacecraft activities**
 - **Continue with routine MLS activities**
 - **Perform MLS special calibration activities**
 - Moon Scans
 - Baseline updates
 - Other tests as needed
 - **Bands 10 & 29**
 - Minimize thermally cycling of Bands 10 & 29 whenever practical
 - **Band 13**
 - Leave Band 13 off to minimize thermal cycling

Summary



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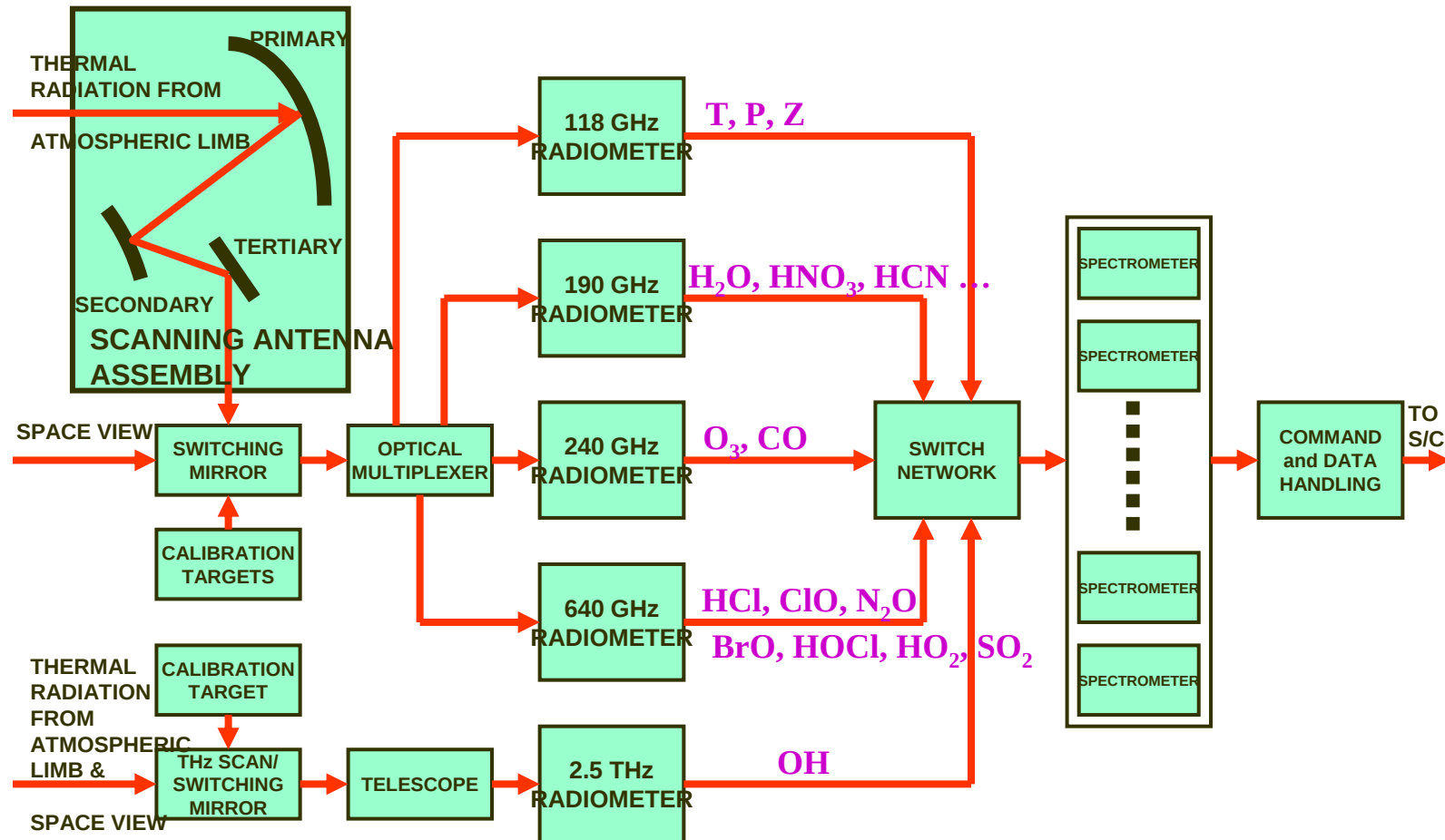
- MLS instrument performance continues to be very good
 - All science products are still being retrieved with only a slight degradation in the quality of the HCL measurement
- There are a few longevity concerns but presently, all is well
- MLS calibration tests confirm the current health of the instrument
- MLS data processing systems are operating smoothly
- All Level 1 and Level 2 files routinely archived & available from GSFC DAAC

Backup Slides



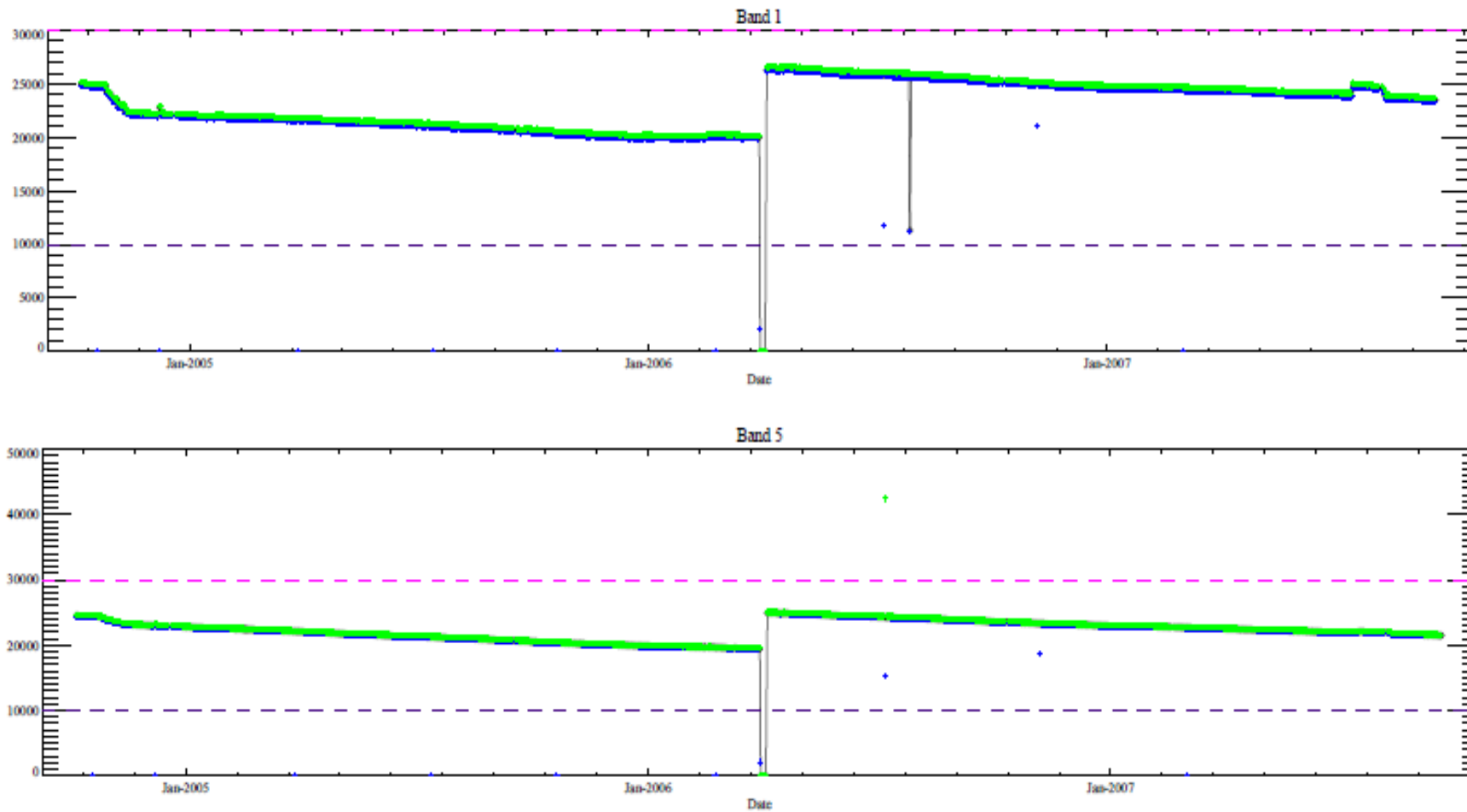
Instrument Overview

Signal Flow Block Diagram



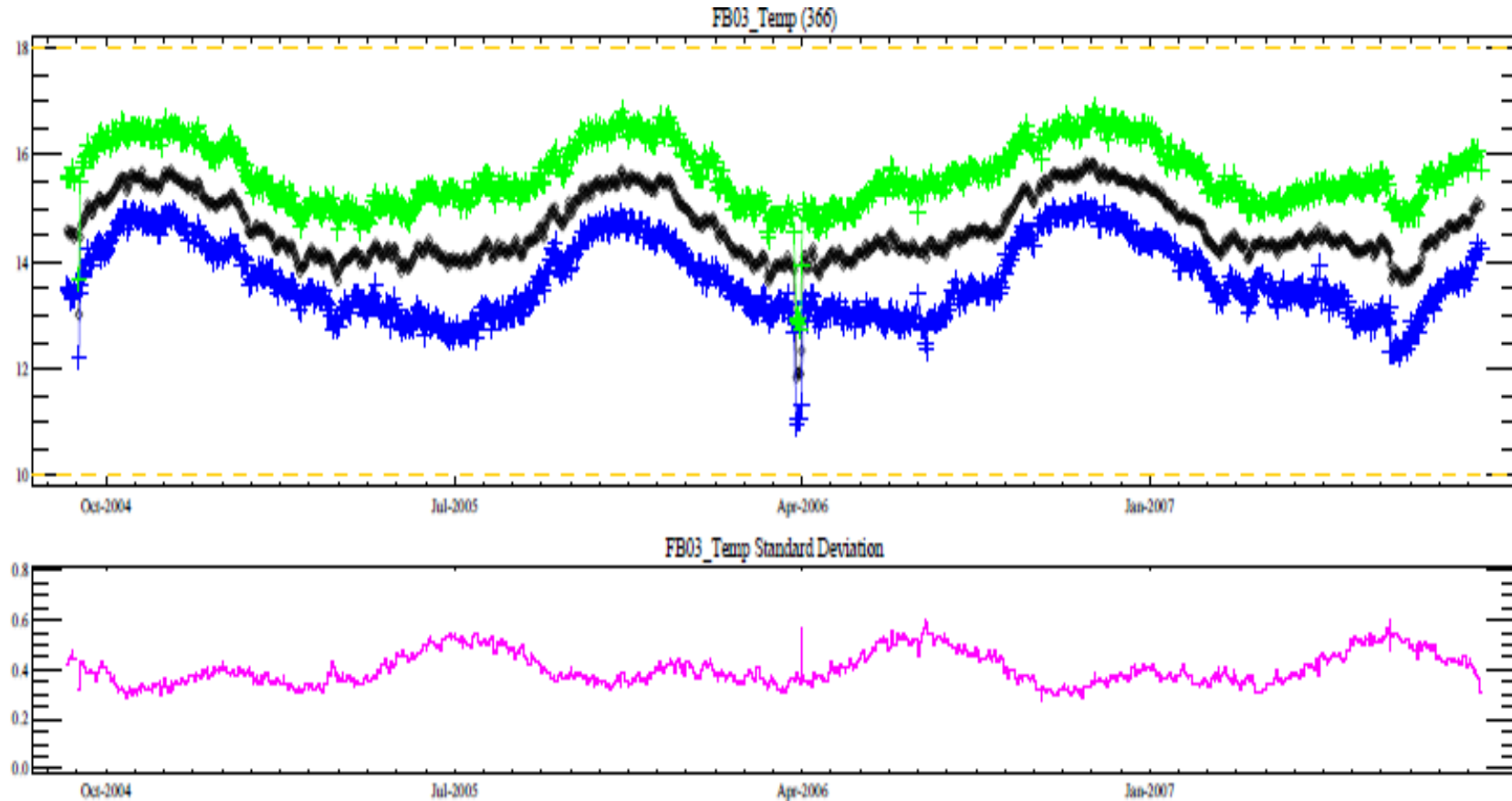
MLS Nominal Trends

Typical Signal Trends



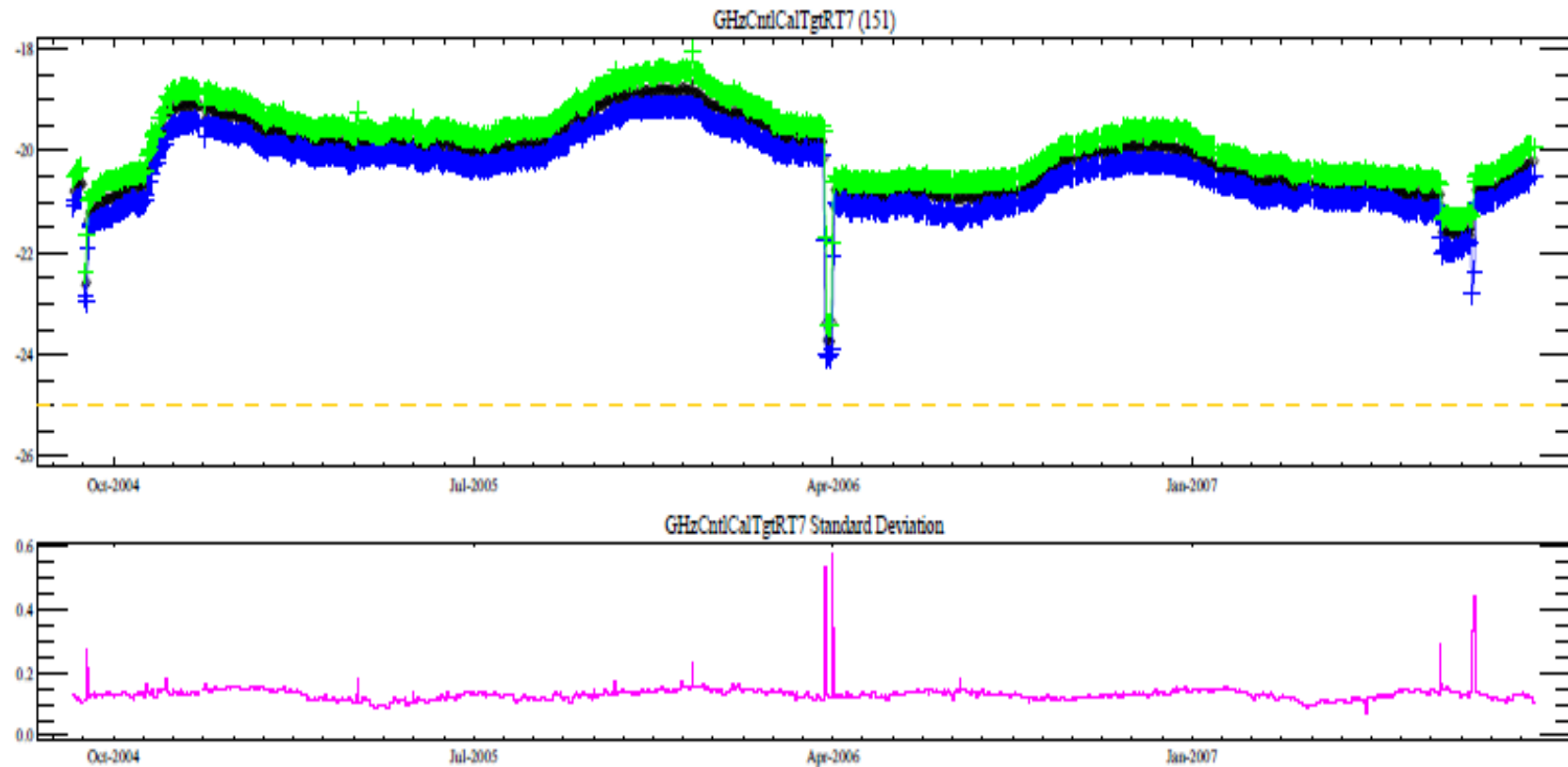
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Spectrometer Module Temperature



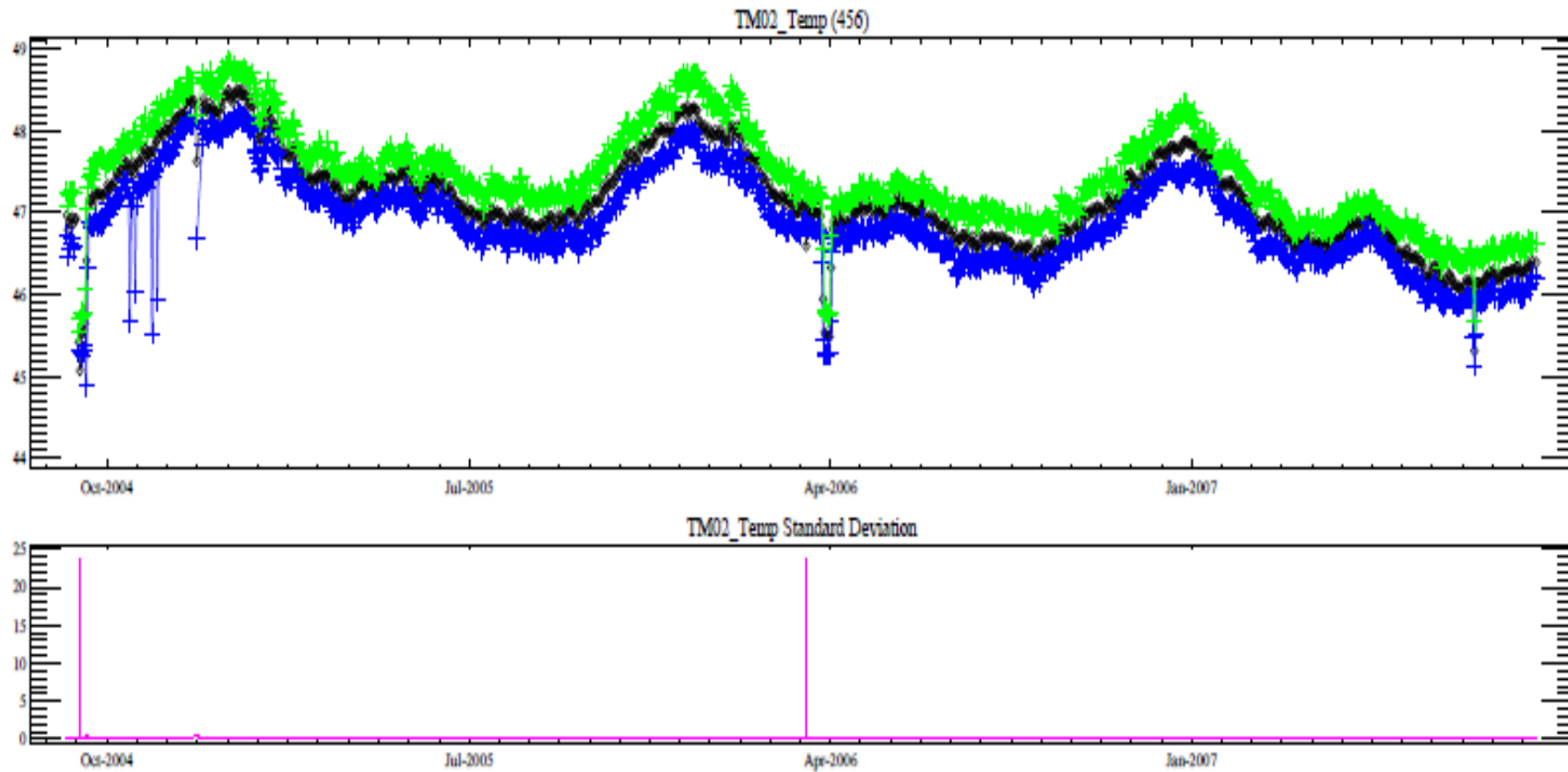
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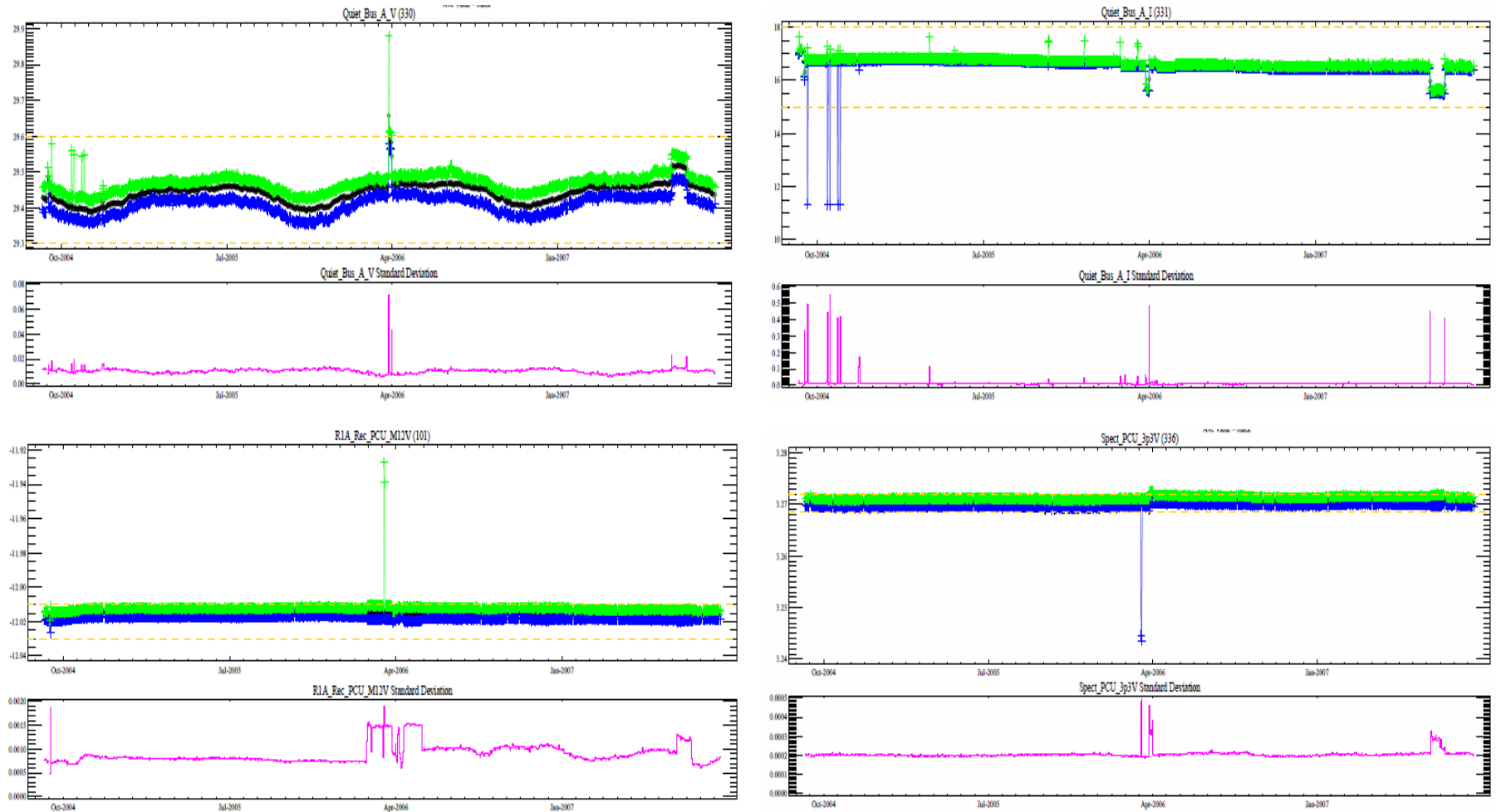
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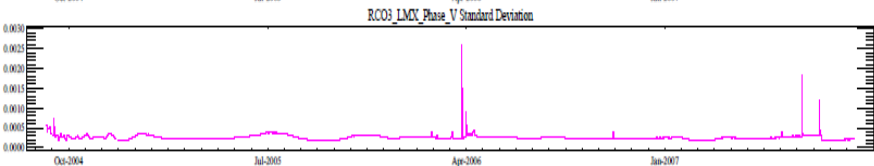
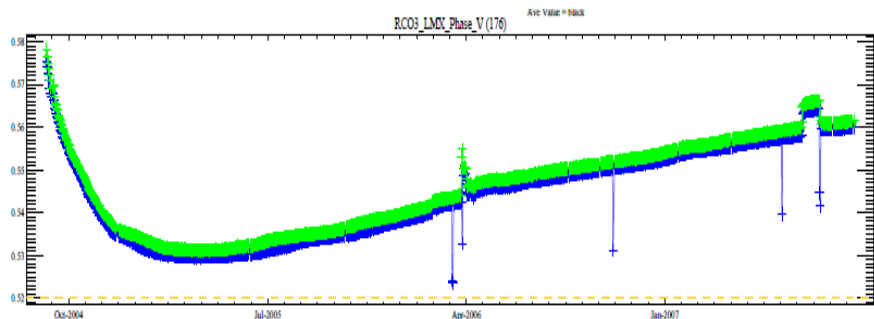
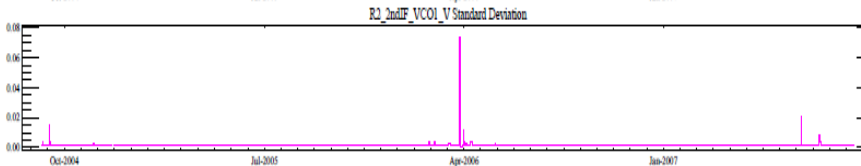
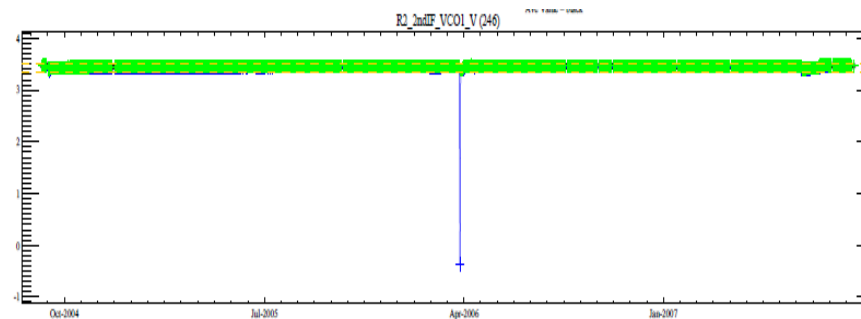
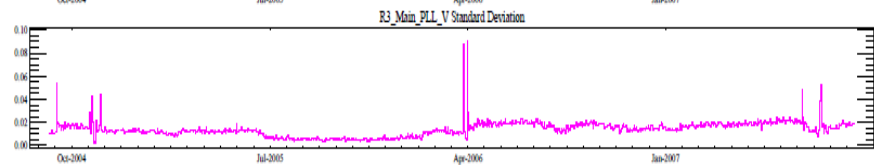
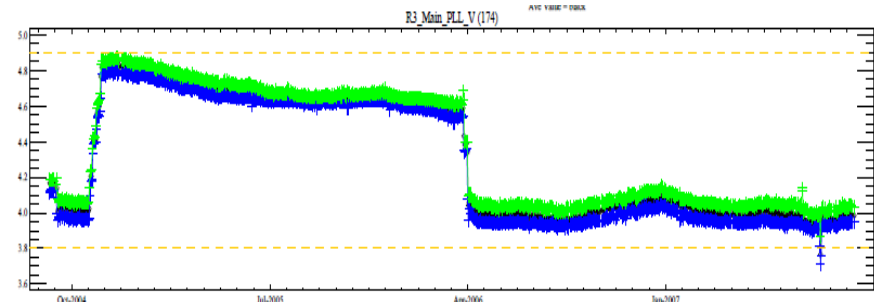
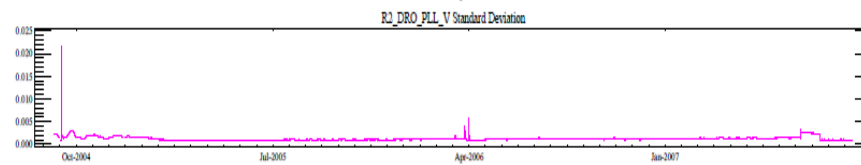
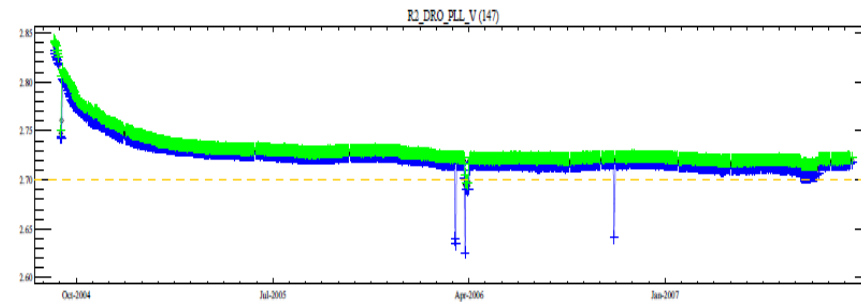
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Bus V and I, Assembly Supply Voltages



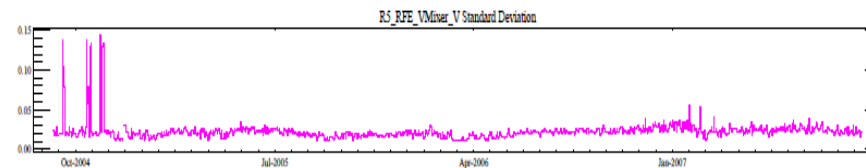
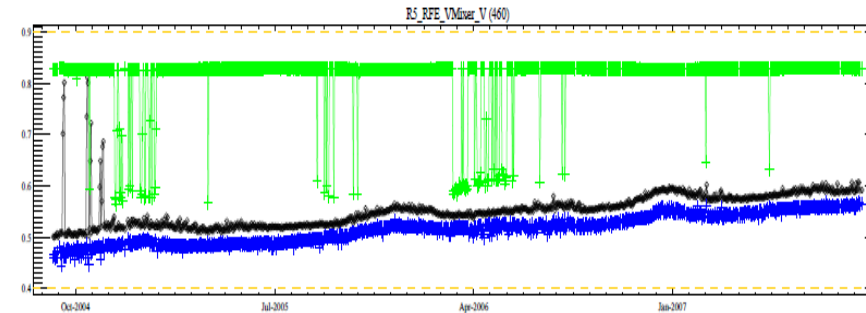
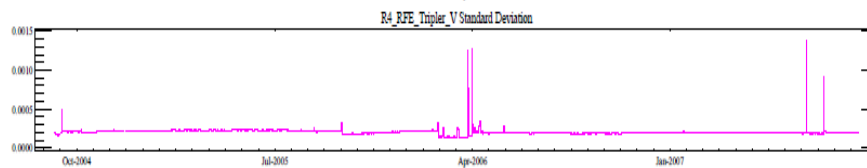
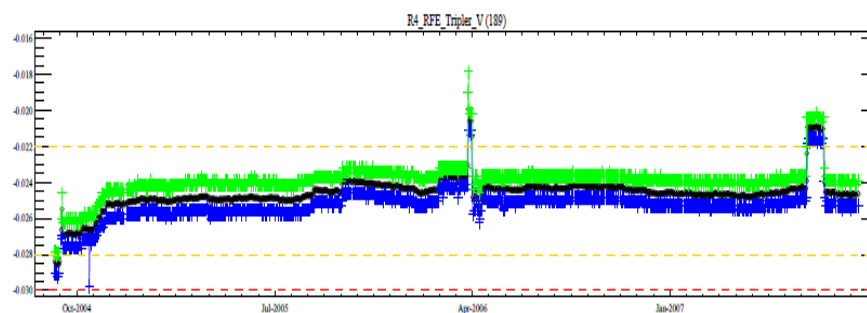
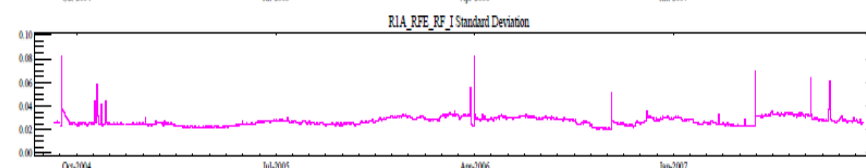
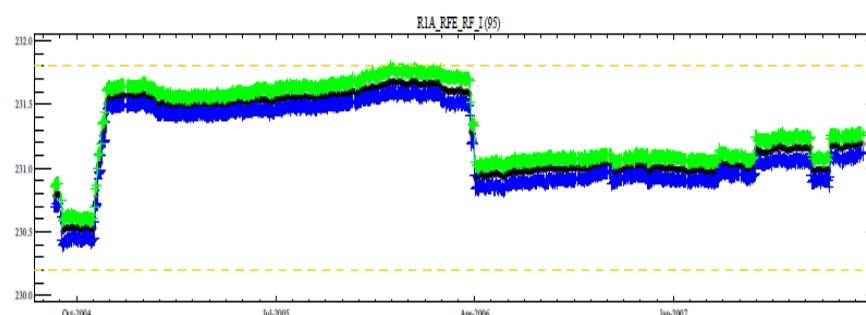
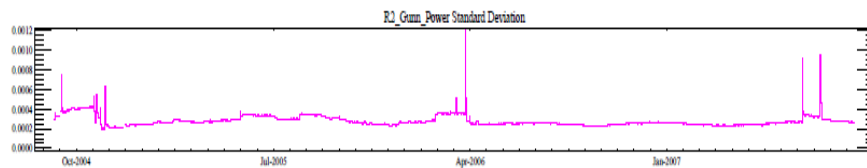
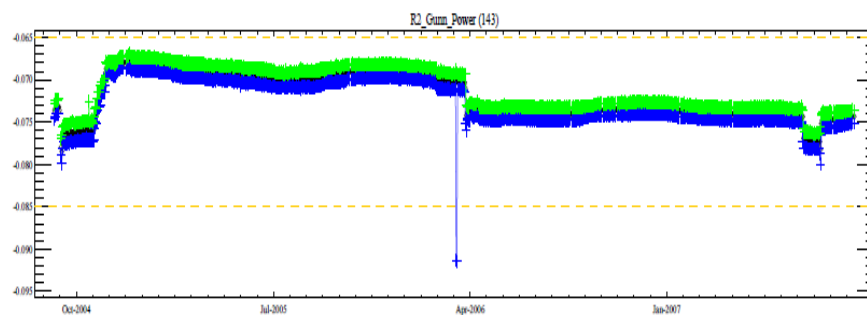
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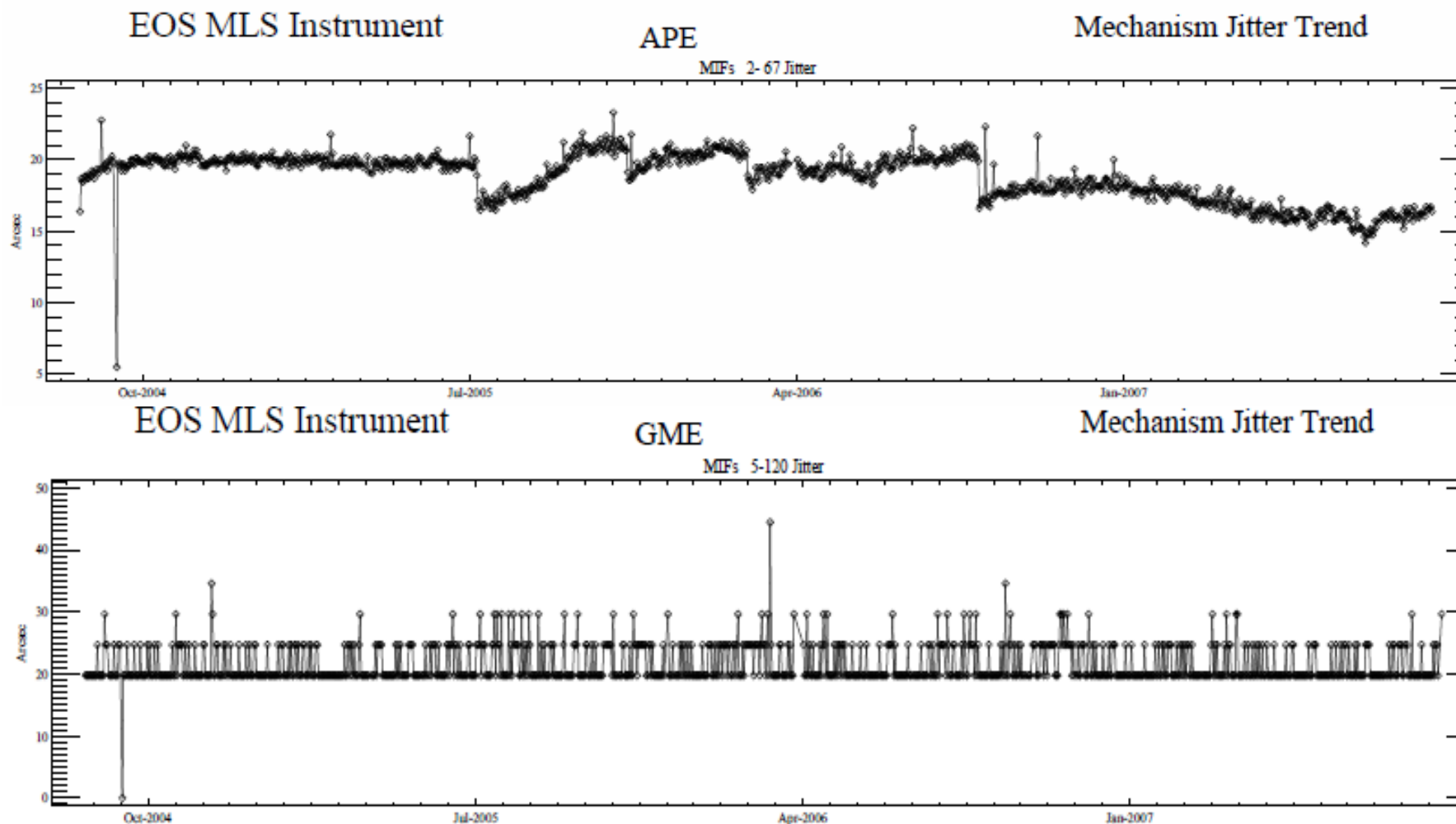
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