

# KMOS Pipeline Tutorial

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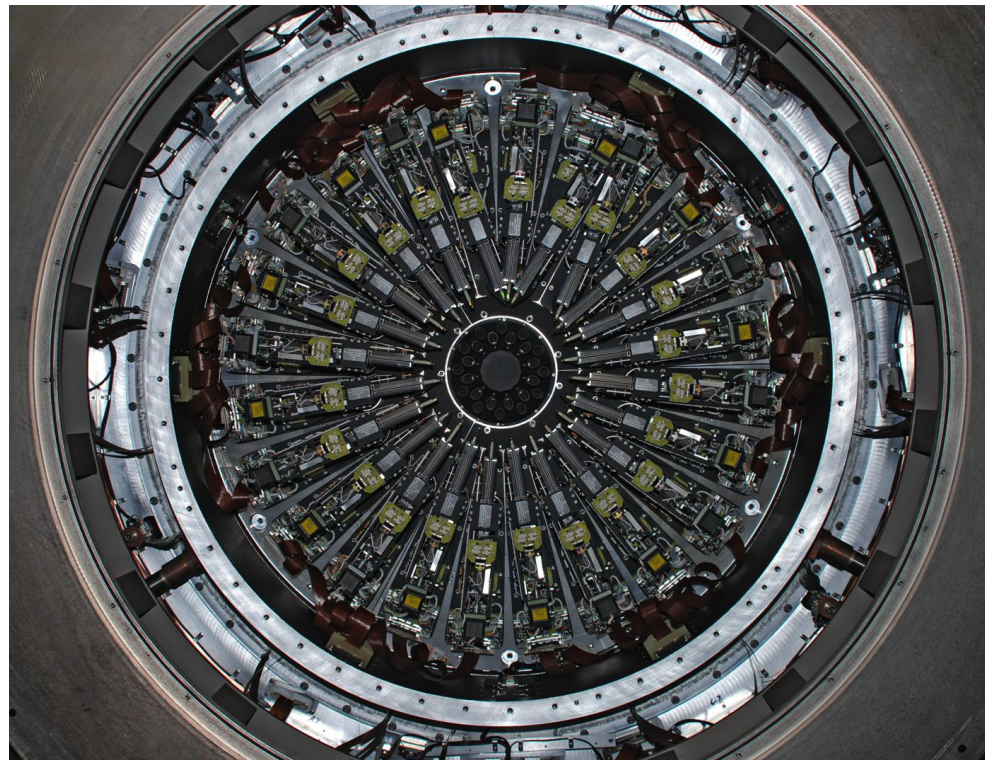
**Data Reconstruction**

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**Recapitulation**

- **KMOS: K-band Multiple-Object cryogenic integral field Spectrograph** designed for intermediate resolution spectroscopy in the 0.8-2.5 $\mu$ m range
- First of its kind at a 8m class telescope
  - Similar project: SINFONI (single IFU)
- 24 robotic pickoff arms patrol a 7.2 arcmin diameter field each of which feeds 2.8x2.8 arcsec FoV sampled at 0.2 arcsec to an image slicing IFU
- The IFUs are consolidated in groups of 8 which feed one of 3 identical spectrographs providing R~3500 spectra in the H, HK, IZ, K & YJ bands



## Key Specifications

## General

- Rotating Mass 2.4 t
- Total Mass 9.5 t
- Operating temperature -140 °C
- Optical Throughput ~30%

## Hardware

- 24 robotic pick-off arms
  - arranged in 2 layers
  - divided into 3 sections
- 3 spectrographs
- 3 Hawaii-2RG detectors 2048 x 2048 pix

## Field of View, Resolution

- Telescope Patrol Field 7.2 arcmin
- IFU
  - FoV 2.8 arcsec
  - Size 14 x 14 pix
  - Pixel size 0.2 arcsec

## Timeline

- Kick-off: 04.2004
- Final Design Review 07.2007
- Prelim. Acceptance Europe 04.2012
- 1<sup>st</sup> commissioning 11.2012
- 2<sup>nd</sup> commissioning 01.2013
- 3<sup>rd</sup> commissioning 03.2013
- 1<sup>st</sup> science verification 06.2013
- 2<sup>nd</sup> science verification 09.2013

## Wavelength

Total range 0.78  $\mu$ m - 2.5  $\mu$ m

- H-band: 1.425 - 1.867  $\mu$ m
- HK-band: 1.460 - 2.410  $\mu$ m
- IZ-band: 0.780 - 1.090  $\mu$ m
- K-band: 1.925 - 2.500  $\mu$ m
- YJ-band: 1.000 - 1.359  $\mu$ m

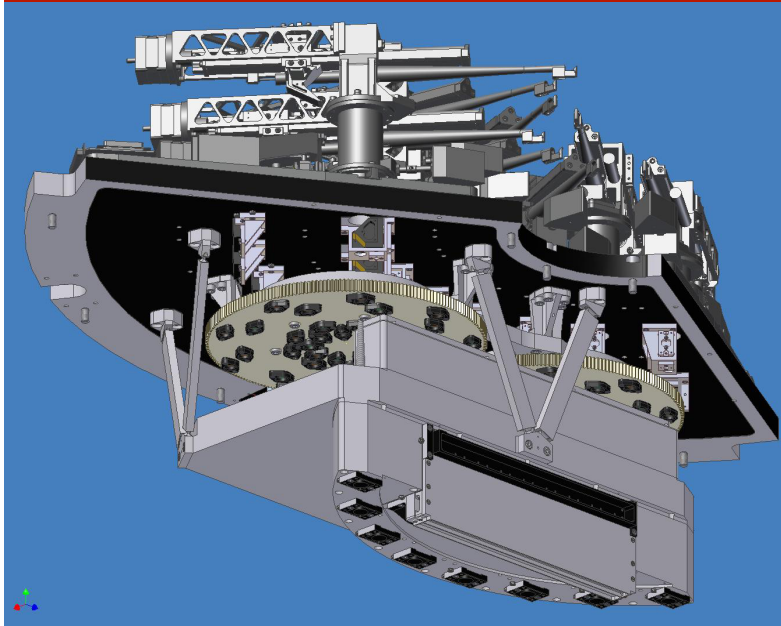
## Spectral resolution

- H-band: R~4000
- HK-band: R~1900
- IZ-band: R~2800
- K-band: R~4100
- YJ-band: R~3400

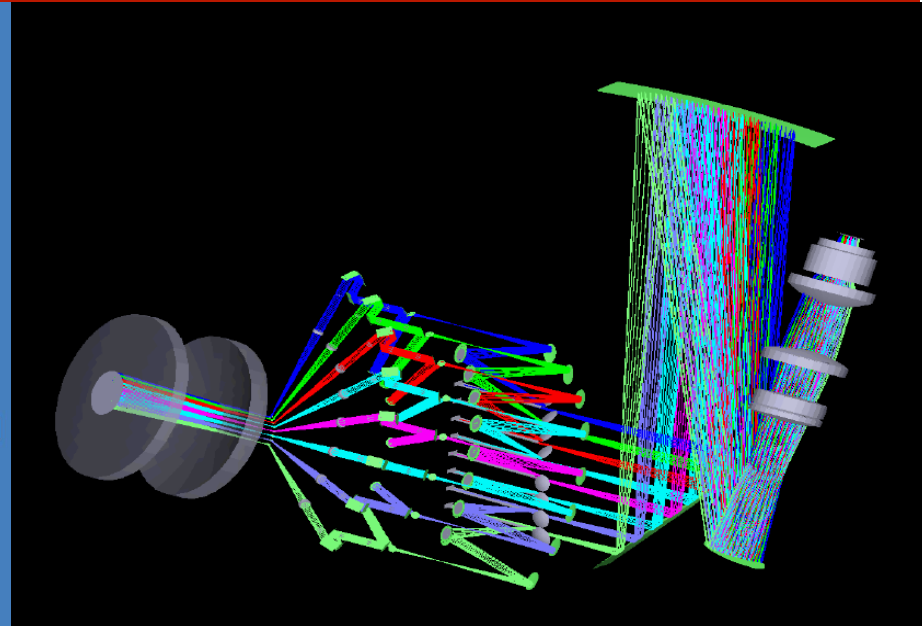
## Optical throughput

- |             | Hip039102      | HIP054804 |
|-------------|----------------|-----------|
| • K-band:   | 22 $\pm$ 1.5%  | 21.7%     |
| • HK-band:  | 23 $\pm$ 1.4%  | 23.3%     |
| • H-band:   | 23 $\pm$ 1.9%  | 22.9%     |
| • YJ-band:  | 16 $\pm$ 1.3%  | 16.9%     |
| • IZ-band*: | 11 $\pm$ 1.0 % | 9.1%      |

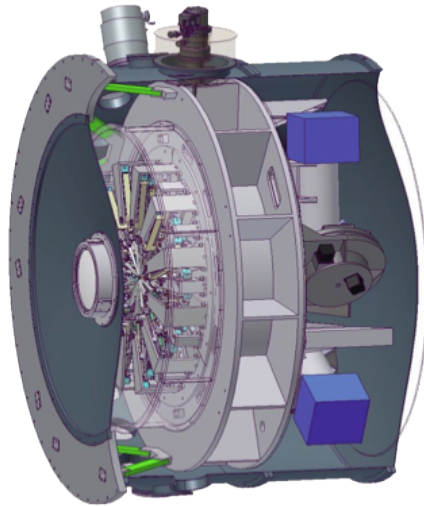




Pick-off arms, filter wheels, IFUs



Light path through the system (for 8 arms)



Pick-off arms, IFUs, spectrographs



Single pick-off arm



Set of mirrors (for 8 arms)

## Main Resources

**Actual pipeline release**

- v1.3.0 released on 07.03.2014
- Problem installing on MacOSX (CPL 6.4?) → [kmos-kit-1.2.8.tar.gz](#)

**Where to get the newest pipeline releases?**

- see KMOS Wiki

**KMOS Wiki**

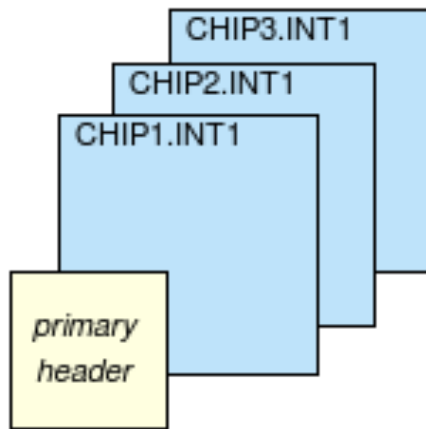
- Resources, manuals, papers, downloads, etc.:  
[wiki.mpe.mpg.de/KMOS-spark](http://wiki.mpe.mpg.de/KMOS-spark)

**Resources for a quick start:**

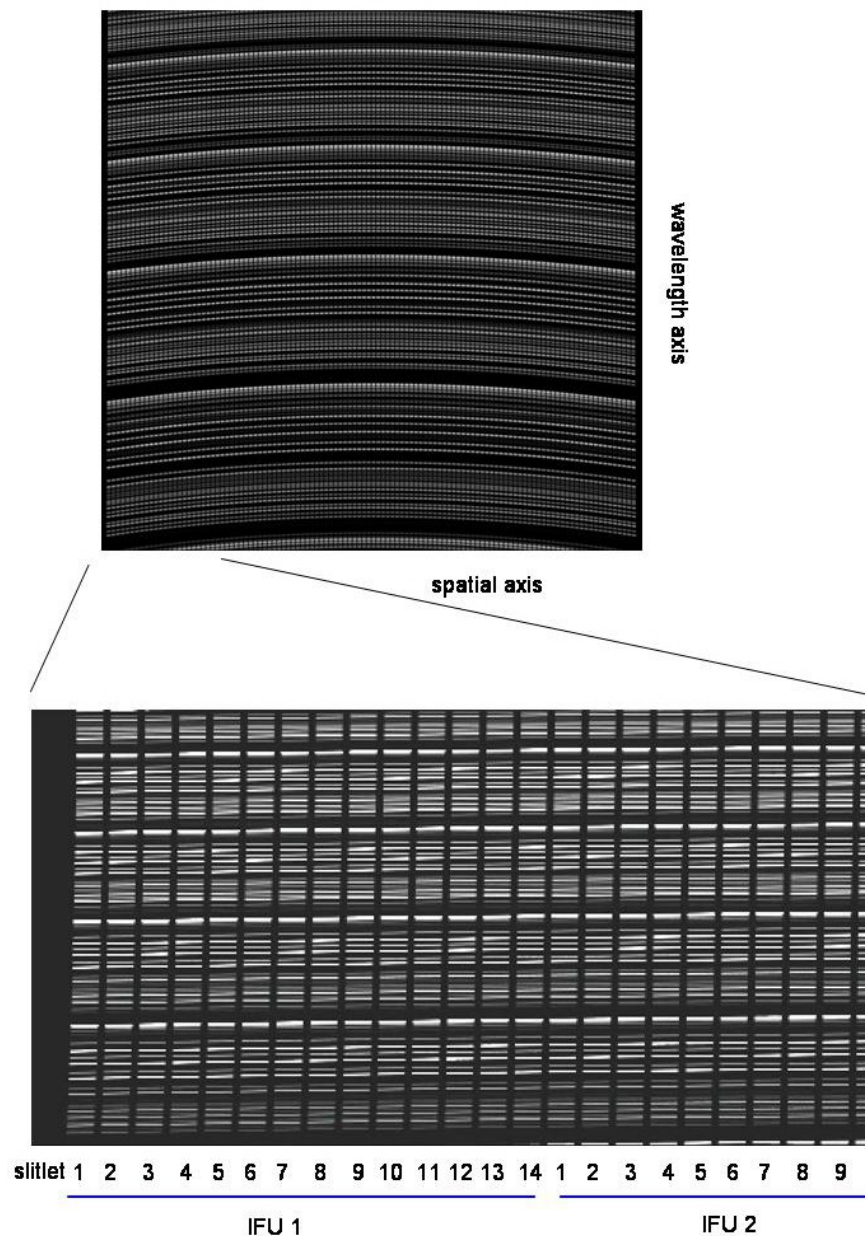
- **SPARKING Guide:** SPARK Instructional Guide for KMOS data (contained in the pipeline release or as well from the KMOS Wiki)
- ***The Software Package for Astronomical Reductions with KMOS: SPARK***  
[Davies R., Agudo Berbel A., Wiezorrek E., Cirasuolo M., Förster Schreiber N.M., Jung Y., Muschielok B., Ott T., Ramsay S., Schlichter J., Sharples R., Wegner M., 2013, A&A, 558, A56]

**Tutorial test data:**

- see KMOS Wiki
  - [tutorial\\_working.tar.gz](#)
  - [tutorial\\_data.tar.gz](#)
  - (Optional) [tutorial\\_products.tar.gz](#)



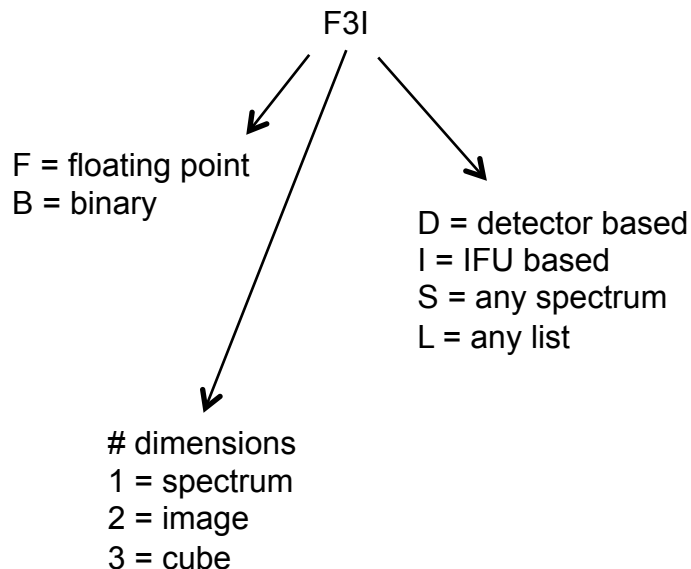
- Primary Header
  - Empty data section
- 3 data extensions
- 8 IFUs per detector
- Each IFU sliced into 14 slitlets, 14 pix width
- Each slitlet is a dispersed pseudo-longslit, 2040 pix length
- Exposure size: 48 MB
- 4 pix border around each frame reserved for detector readout electronics



## Processed frames

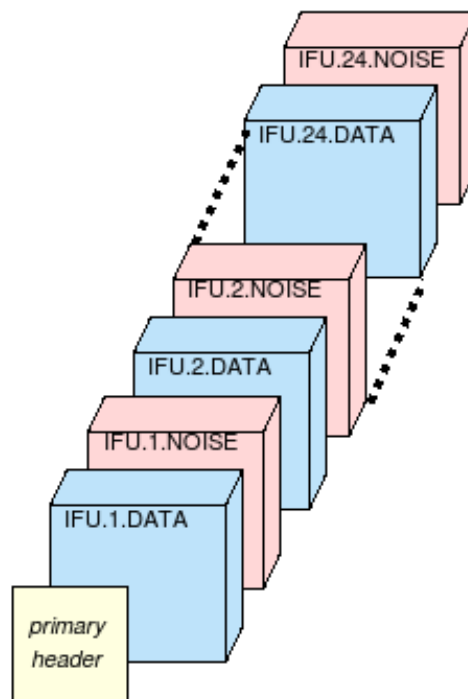
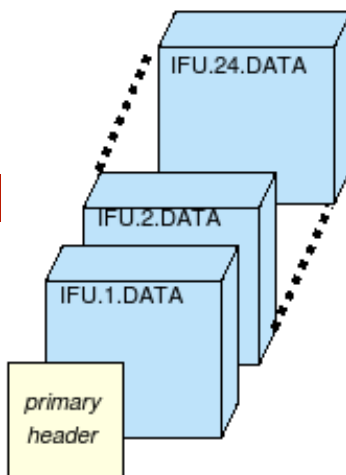
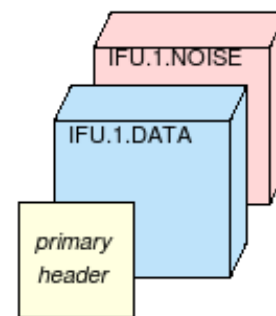
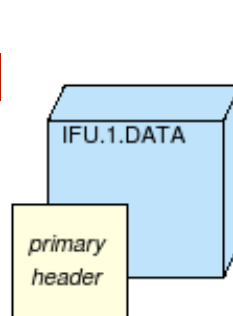
- Spectra, images, cubes are in extensions
- As a rule there are 1, 2, 24, or 48 extensions

## Frame Types



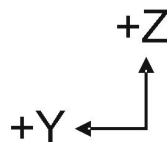
## EXTNAME

keyword EXTNAME indicates content type e.g.  
IFU.4.DATA or DET.1.NOISE



- Every 4 IFUs have a different orientation on the detector

ON SKY

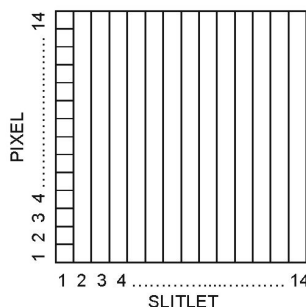


+Z corresponds to North and +Y to East when rotator offset angle is zero

- Exposures therefore miss a certain regularity

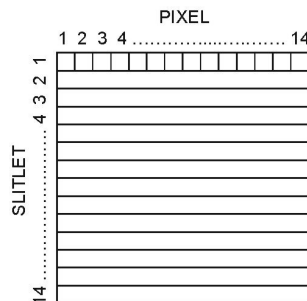
IFUs:

1, 2, 3, 4, 13, 14, 15, 16



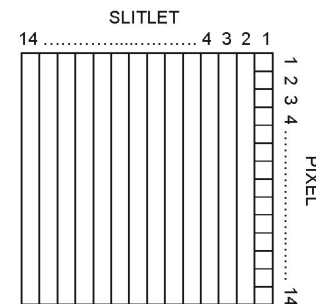
IFUs:

17, 18, 19, 20



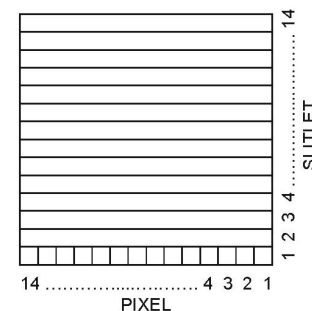
IFUs:

5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12



IFUs:

21, 22, 23, 24





**Calibration Recipes**

- kmo\_dark
- kmo\_flat
- kmo\_wave\_cal
- kmo\_illumination  
or  
kmo\_illumination\_flat
- kmo\_std\_star

**Science Recipes**

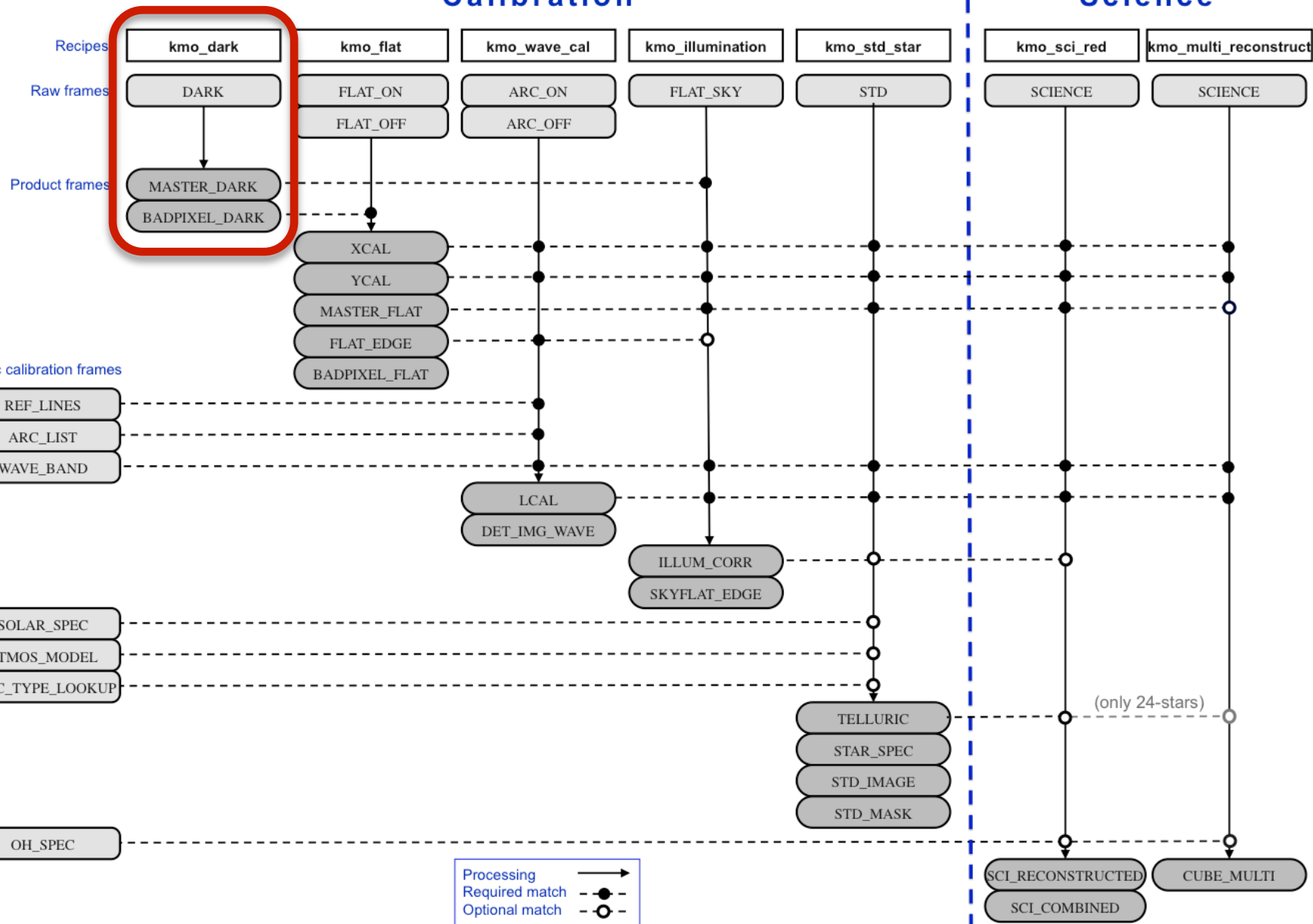
- kmo\_sci\_red
- kmo\_multi\_reconstruct
- kmo\_reconstruct
- kmo\_combine

**Basic tools**

- kmo\_arithmetic
- kmo\_copy
- kmo\_extract\_spec
- kmo\_fit\_profile
- kmo\_fits\_check
- kmo\_fits\_strip
- kmo\_make\_image
- kmo\_noise\_map
- kmo\_rotate
- kmo\_shift
- kmo\_sky\_mask
- kmo\_sky\_tweak
- kmo\_stats

## Calibration

## Science



## Dark Frames

### Recipe: kmo\_dark

#### Purpose:

Combine individual dark frames into a MasterDark frame and create a preliminary bad pixel mask.

#### Main Parameters:

--cmethod="ksigma" (default), "min\_max", "median", "average", "sum" \*  
[others for rejection thresholds, number of iterations, etc.]

#### Example:

```
esorex kmo_dark dark.sof
```

with dark.sof containing:

```
dark_001.fits  DARK
dark_002.fits  DARK
dark_003.fits  DARK
```

It is recommended to supply at least 3 DARK frames

#### Output frames:

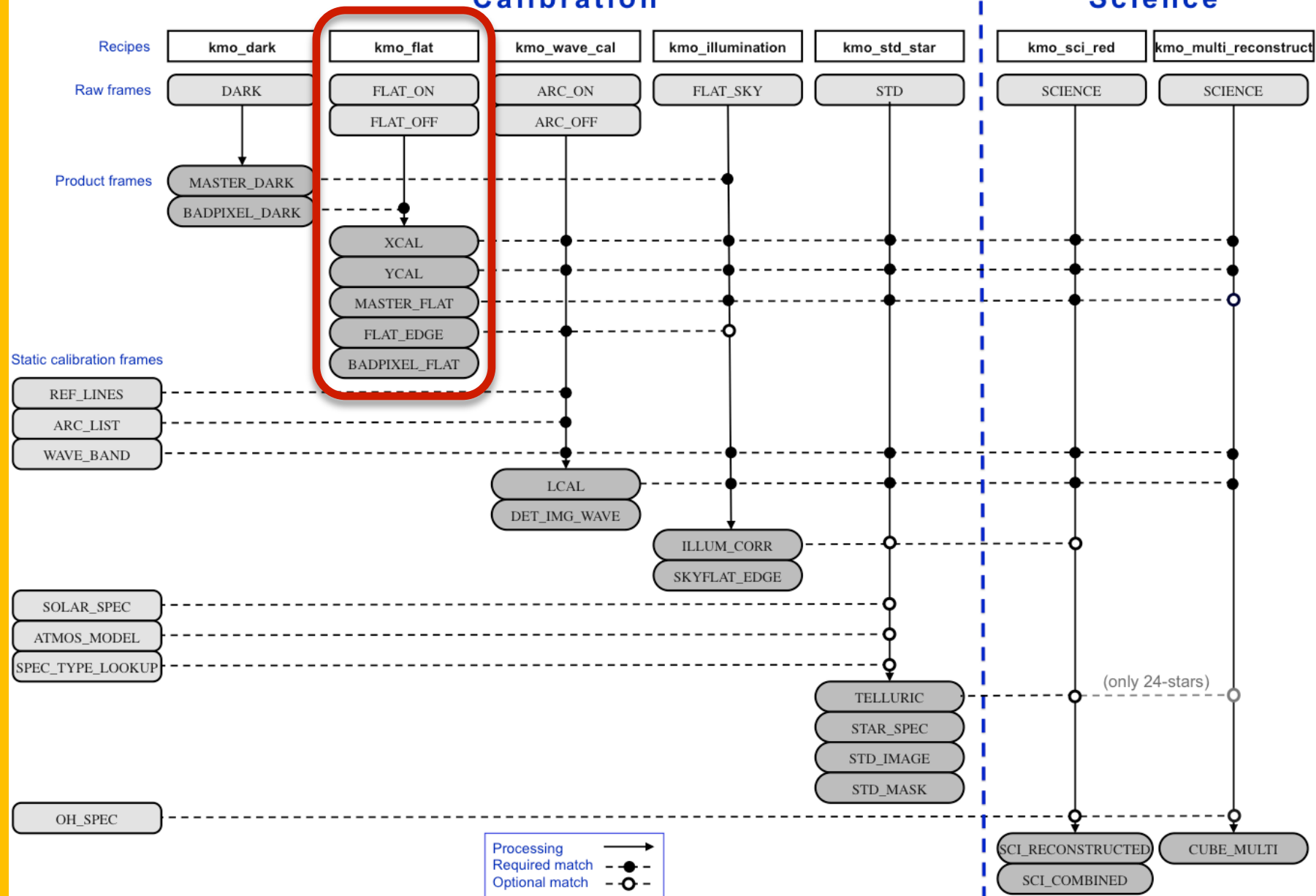
MASTER\_DARK, BADPIXEL\_DARK

## Getting help on recipes

```
esorex -man <recipe name>
```

## Calibration

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## Recipe: kmo\_flat

### Purpose:

Combine individual flat frames into a MasterFlat frame, create the XCAL and YCAL spatial calibration frames and create the final bad pixel mask.

### Main Parameters:

--surrounding\_pixels

The amount of bad pixels to surround a specific pixel, to let it be marked bad as well.

### Example:

```
esorex kmo_flat flat.sof
```

with flat.sof containing:

flat_001.fits	FLAT_ON
flat_002.fits	FLAT_ON
flat_003.fits	FLAT_ON
flat_004.fits	FLAT_OFF
flat_005.fits	FLAT_OFF
flat_006.fits	FLAT_OFF
badpixel_dark.fits	BADPIXEL_DARK

It is recommended to supply at least 3 FLAT\_ON and FLAT\_OFF frames

### Output frames:

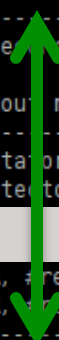
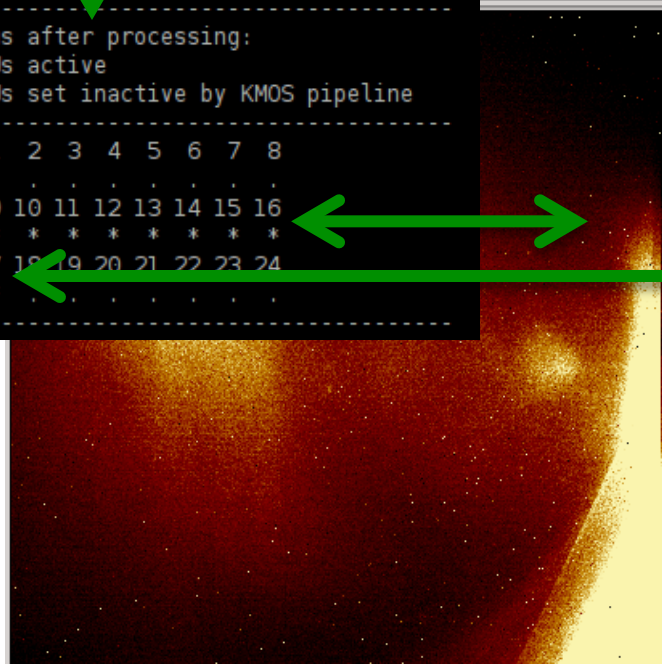
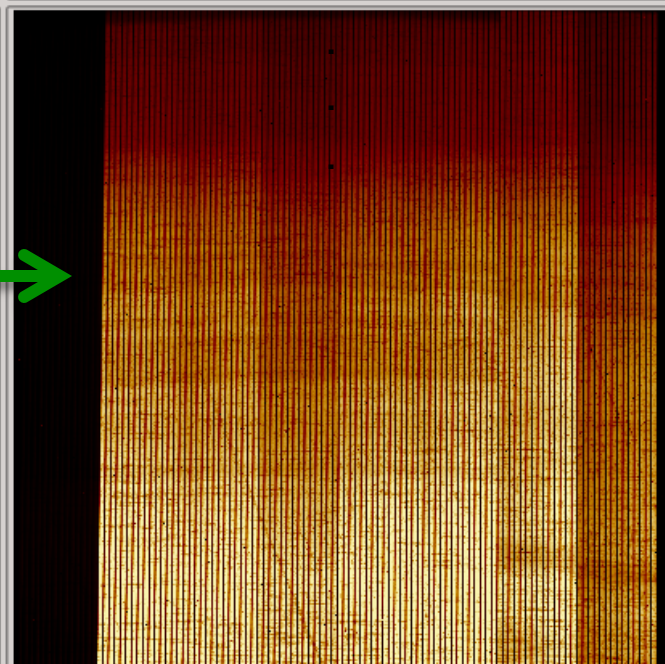
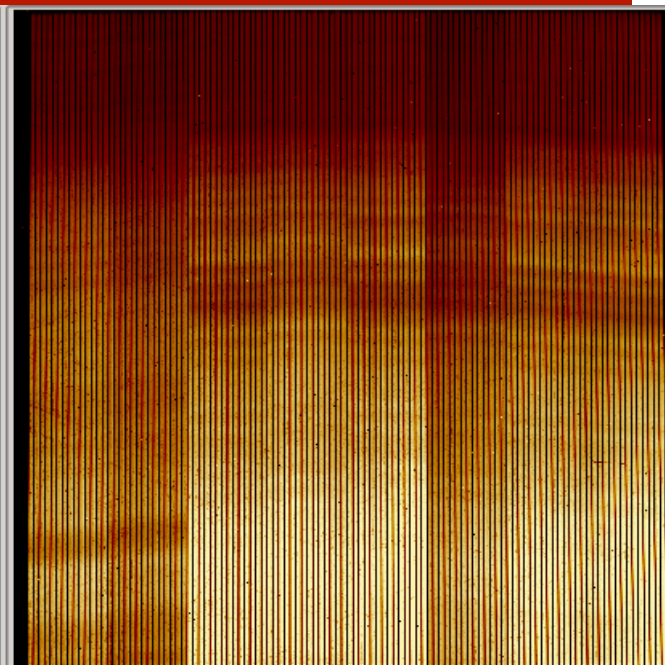
MASTER\_FLAT, BADPIXEL\_FLAT, XCAL, YCAL, FLAT\_EDGE



## Example #1: kmo\_flat

```
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: -----
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Detected instrument setup:  IZIZIZ
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: (grating 1, 2 & 3)
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Found 3 frames with rotator angle 0
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Found 3 frames with rotator angle 60
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Found 3 frames with rotator angle 120
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Found 3 frames with rotator angle 180
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Found 3 frames with rotator angle 240
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Found 3 frames with rotator angle 300
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: -----
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: IFU status before processing:
[ INFO ] kmo_flat:   All IFUs are active
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: -----
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: EXPTIME:  3 seconds
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: NDIT: 1
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Detector readout mode: Nondest
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: -----
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Processing rotator angle 0 -> 0 degree
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Processing detector No. 1
```

```
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Readmode: NDR, rejected pixels: 3 (Saturated)
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Readmode: NDR, rejected pixels: 23 (Saturated)
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: -----
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: IFU status after processing:
[ INFO ] kmo_flat:   :: IFUs active
[ INFO ] kmo_flat:   *: IFUs set inactive by KMOS pipeline
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: -----
[ INFO ] kmo_flat:   IFU  1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8
[ INFO ] kmo_flat:   IFU  9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16
[ INFO ] kmo_flat:   *  *  *  *  *  *  *  *
[ INFO ] kmo_flat:   IFU 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24
[ INFO ] kmo_flat:   *  .  .  .  .  .  .  .
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: -----
```





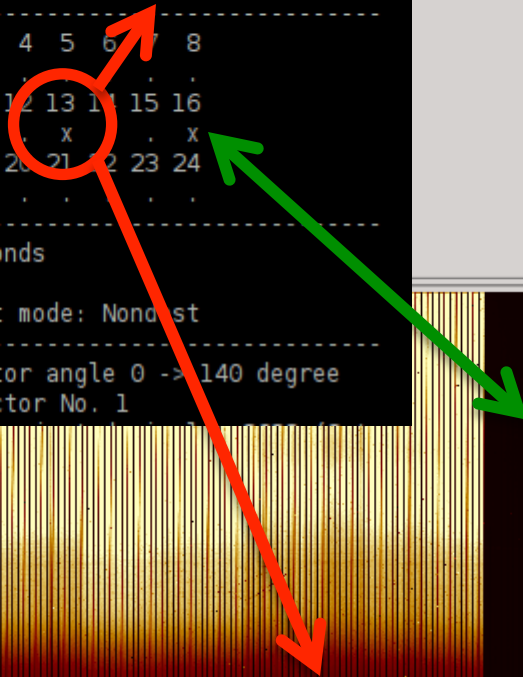
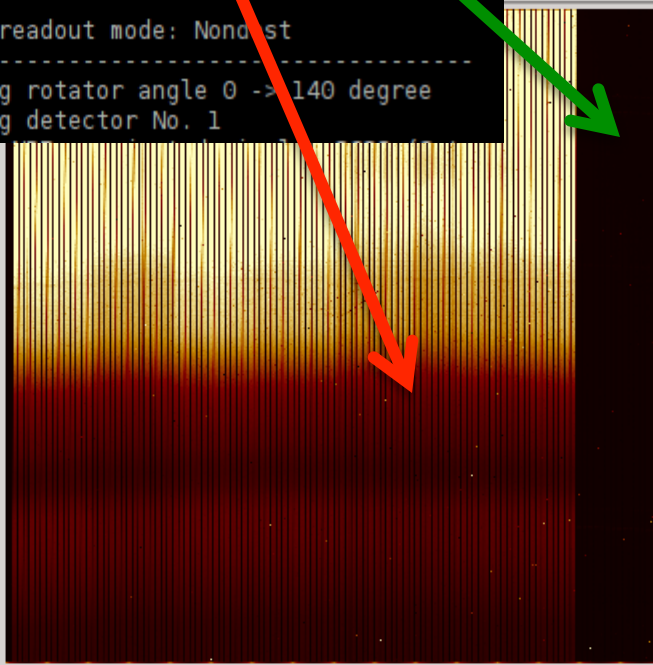
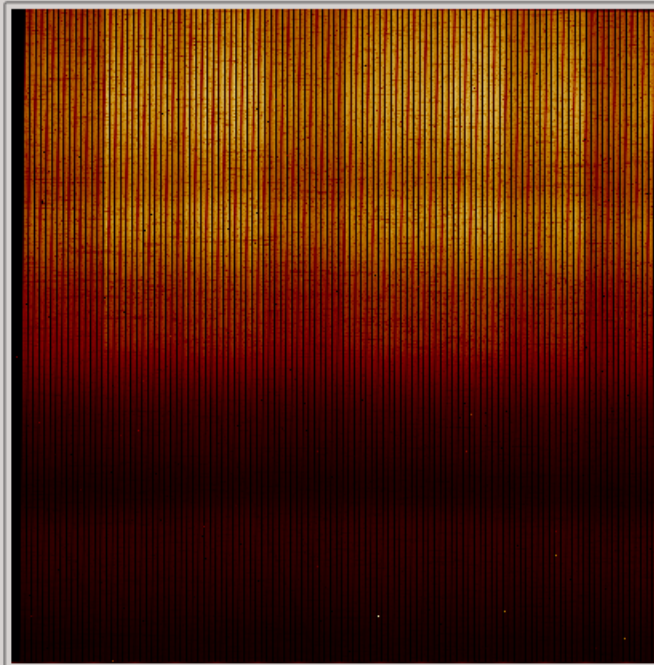
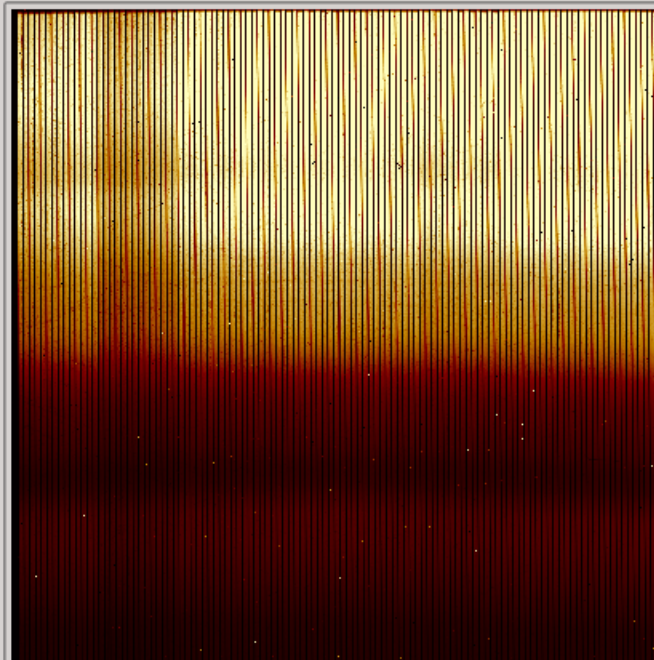


## Example #3: kmo\_flat

```

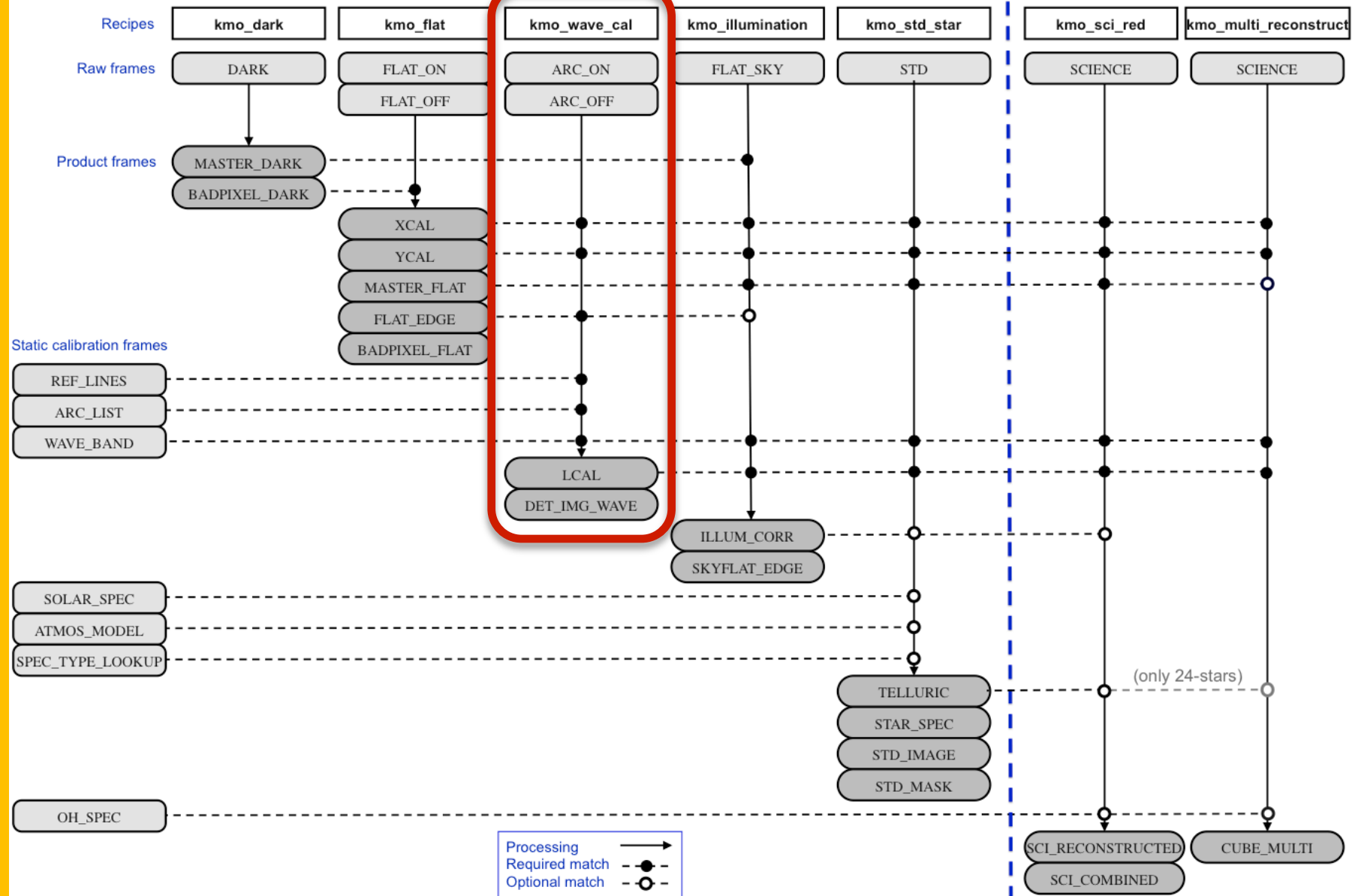
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: -----
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Detected instrument setup: HKHKHK
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: (grating 1, 2 & 3)
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Found 3 frames with rotator angle 140
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Found 3 frames with rotator angle 180
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Found 3 frames with rotator angle 220
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Found 3 frames with rotator angle 255
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Found 3 frames with rotator angle 300
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Found 3 frames with rotator angle 340
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: -----
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: IFU status before processing:
[ INFO ] kmo_flat:   .: IFUs active
[ INFO ] kmo_flat:   x: IFUs set inactive by ICS
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: -----
[ INFO ] kmo_flat:   IFU 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
[ INFO ] kmo_flat:   IFU 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16
[ INFO ] kmo_flat:           . . . x . x
[ INFO ] kmo_flat:   IFU 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24
[ INFO ] kmo_flat:           . . . . .
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: -----
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: EXPTIME: 3 seconds
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: NDIT: 1
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Detector readout mode: Nondest
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: -----
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Processing rotator angle 0 -> 140 degree
[ INFO ] kmo_flat: Processing detector No. 1

```



## Calibration

## Science



**Recipe: kmo\_wave\_cal****Purpose:**

Create the LCAL wavelength calibration frame.

**Main Parameters:**

none

**Example:**

```
esorex kmo_wave_cal arc.sof with arc.sof containing:
frame_001.fits          ARC_ON
frame_002.fits          ARC_OFF
master_flat.fits        MASTER_FLAT
badpixel_flat.fits      BADPIXEL_FLAT
xcal.fits               XCAL
ycal.fits               YCAL
flat_edge.fits          FLAT_EDGE
kmos_wave_ref_table.fits REF_LINES
kmos_wave_band.fits     WAVE_BAND
```

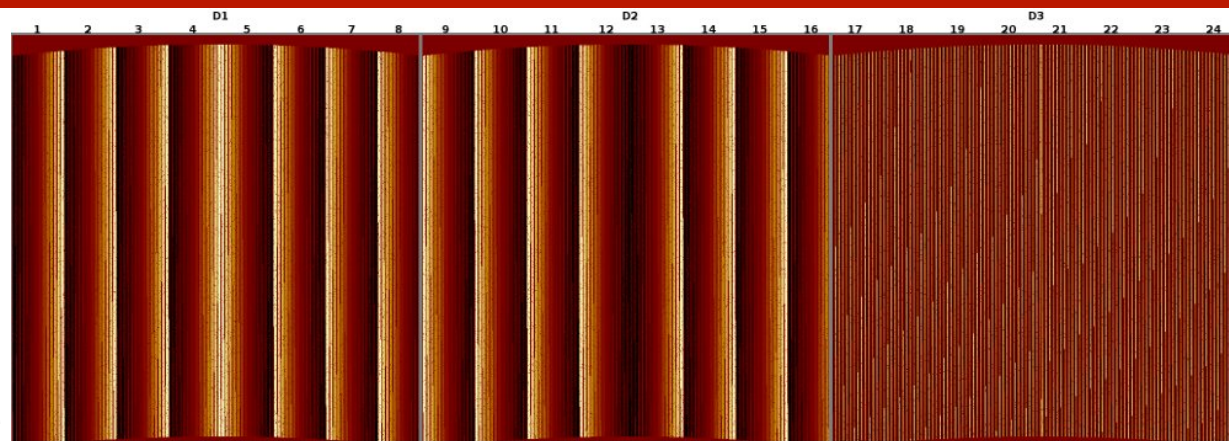
**Output frames:**

LCAL, DET\_IMG\_WAVE

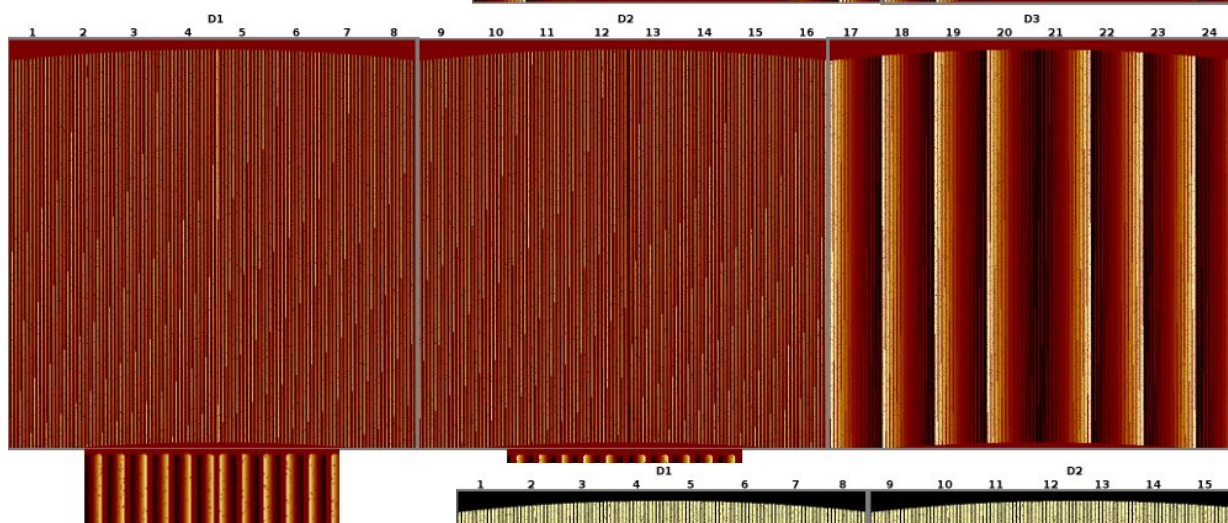


## Calibration Concept: Spatial & Spectral Frames act as Lookup Tables (LUTs)

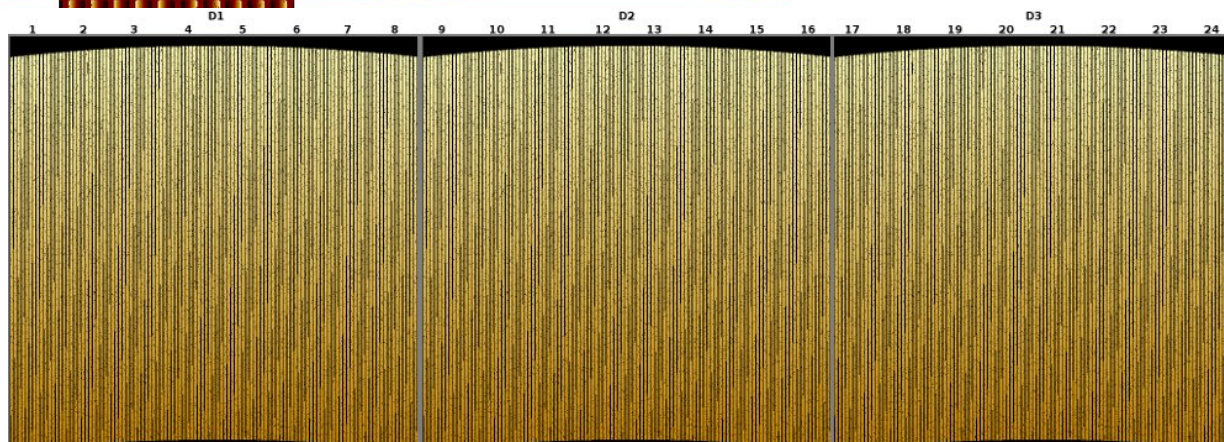
kmo\_flat



XCAL frame

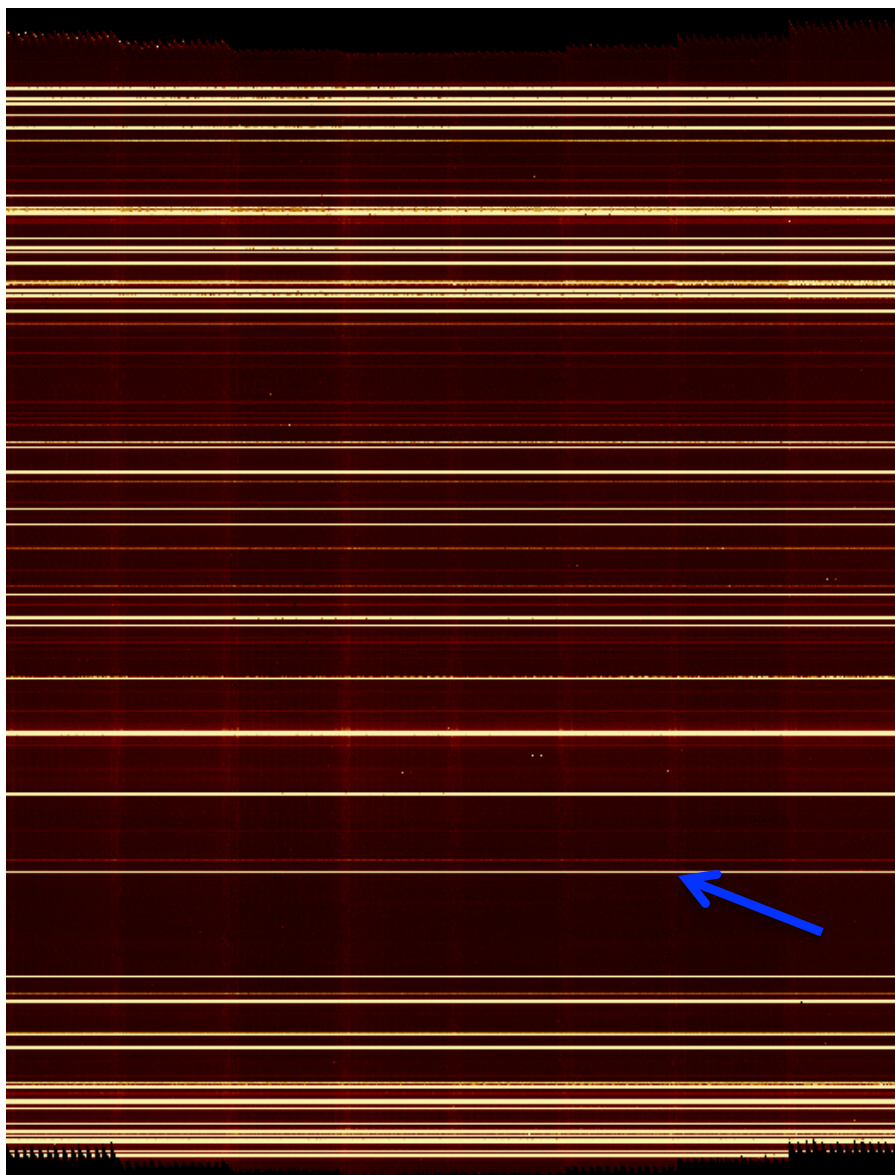


YCAL frame

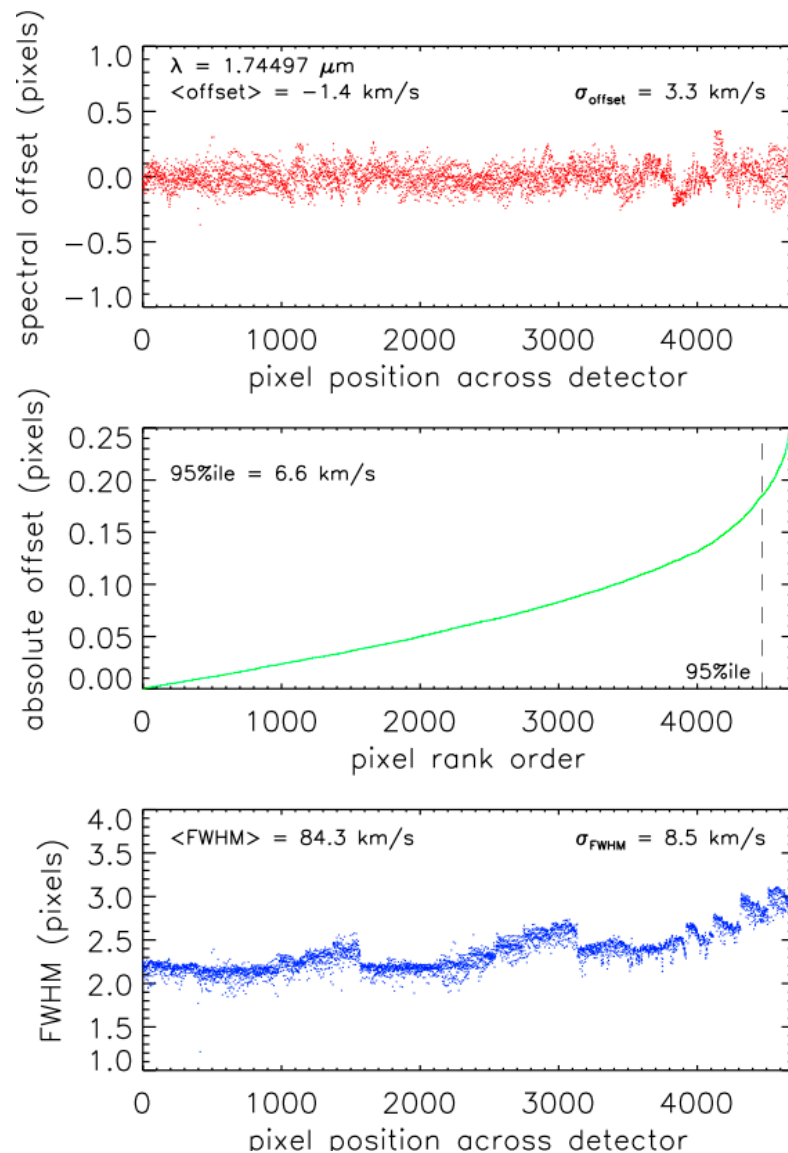


kmo\_wave\_cal

LCAL frame

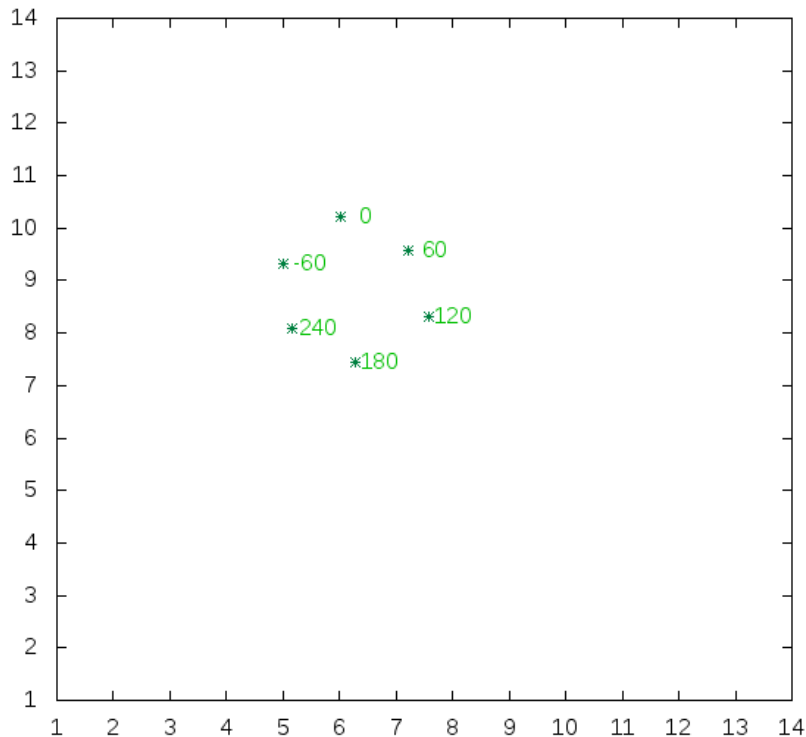


Reconstructed H-band arc frame (lwNN)



- Calibrations are done at 6 rotator angles (0, 60, 120, 180, 240, 300 deg)
- Experiment: Measuring Flexure
  - Place LED in the middle of the IFU
  - 6 exposures at different rotator angles
  - Reconstruct & measure centers

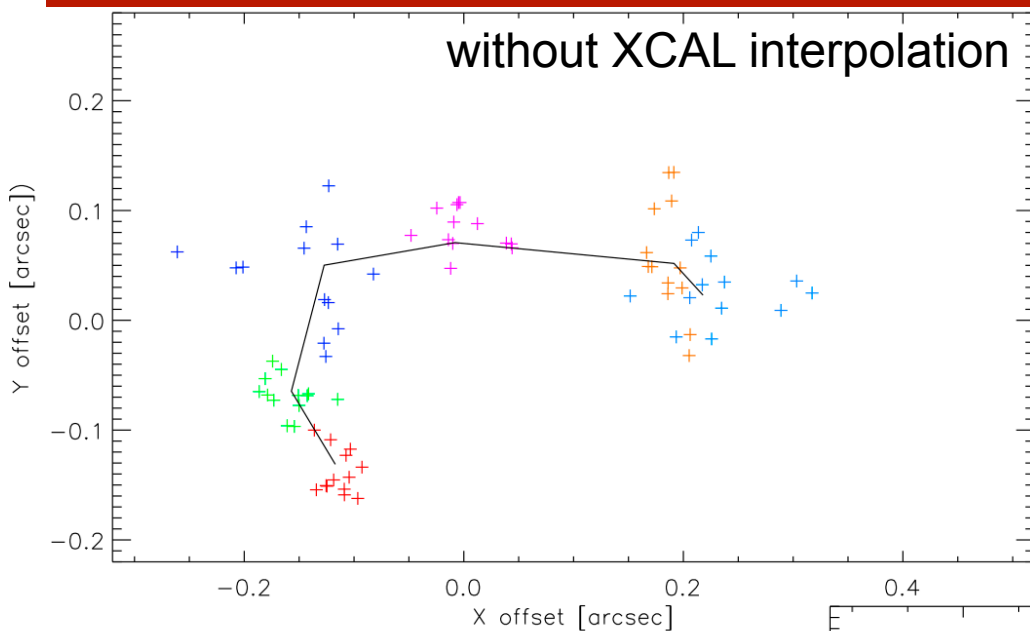
ARM 14



→ Whole instrument sags by a few microns wrt the optical axis

- 6 rotator angles @ 5 bands
- 5 sets of dynamic calibration frames:
  - BADPIXEL\_DARK
  - BADPIXEL\_FLAT
  - FLAT\_EDGE
  - LCAL
  - MASTER\_DARK
  - MASTER\_FLAT
  - XCAL
  - YCAL
- Static frames:
  - ARC\_LIST
  - ATMOS\_MODEL
  - OH\_SPEC
  - REF\_LINES
  - SOLAR\_SPEC
  - SPEC\_TYPE\_LOOKUP
  - WAVE\_BAND
- 8.8 GB calibration data for 55 files

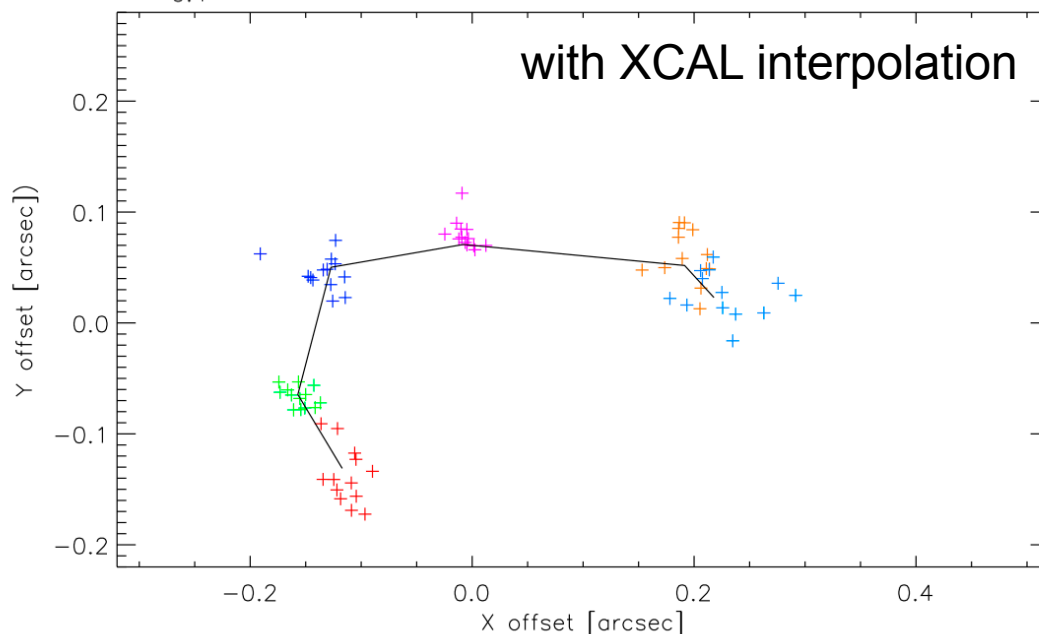
# Example: interpolation of XCAL frames



**Calibration frames drift in time and with temperature!**

Rule of thumb:

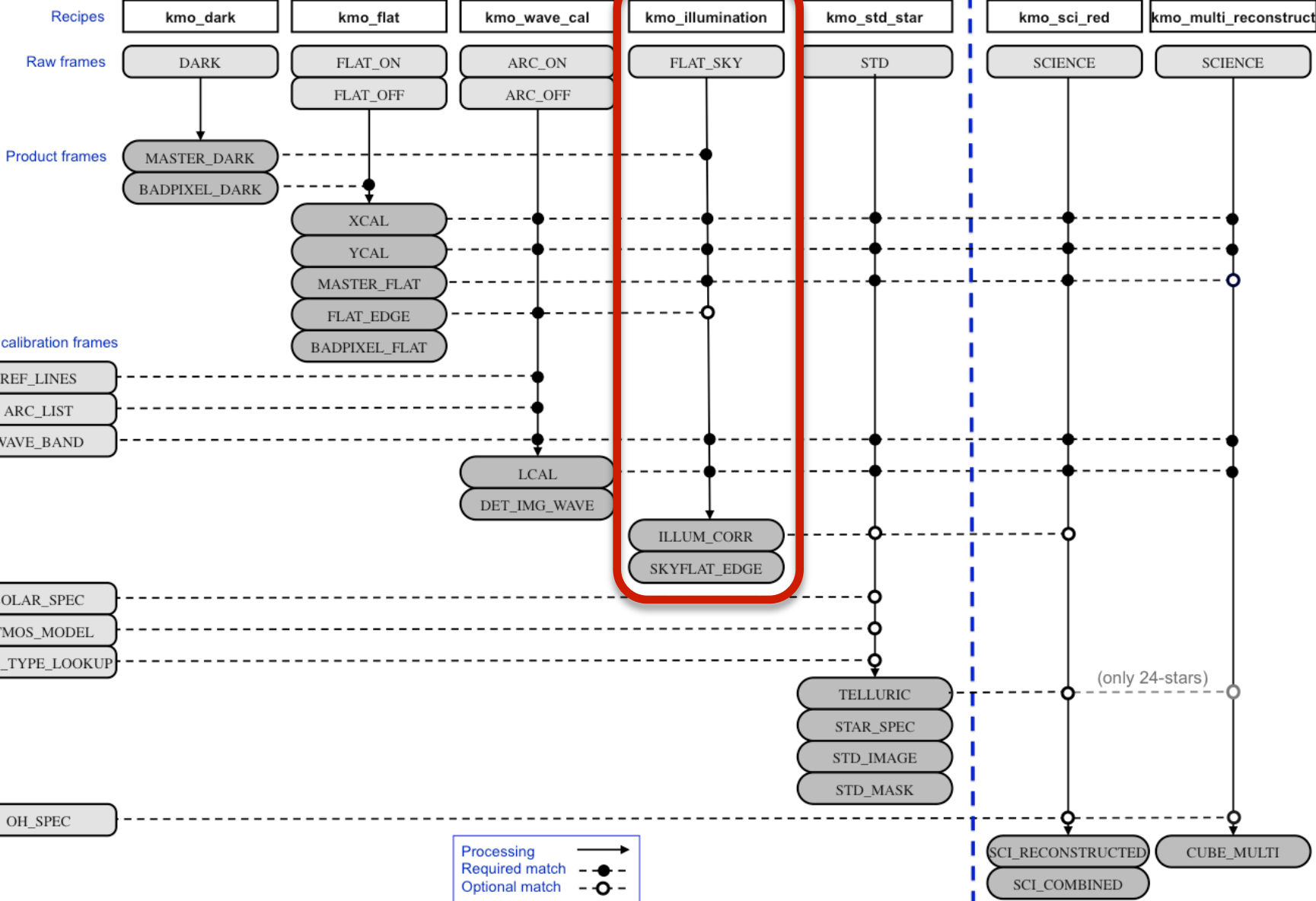
More important than stability in time:  
stability in temperature  
(check e.g. ESO INS TEMP7 VAL)





## Calibration

## Science





## Recipe: kmo\_illumination

### Purpose:

Create a calibration frame to correct spatial non-uniformity of flatfield.

### Main Parameters:

--imethod="NN", "lwNN", "swNN", „MS“, „CS“

--flux=TRUE (apply flux conservation)

### Example:

```
esorex kmo_illumination illum.sof with illum.sof containing:
                                     frame_001.fits          FLAT_SKY
                                     frame_002.fits          FLAT_SKY
                                     frame_003.fits          FLAT_SKY
                                     master_dark.fits        MASTER_DARK
                                     master_flat.fits        MASTER_FLAT
                                     xcal.fits               XCAL
                                     ycal.fits               YCAL
                                     lcal.fits               LCAL
                                     kmos_wave_band.fits     WAVE_BAND
```

It is recommended to supply at least 3 FLAT\_SKY frames

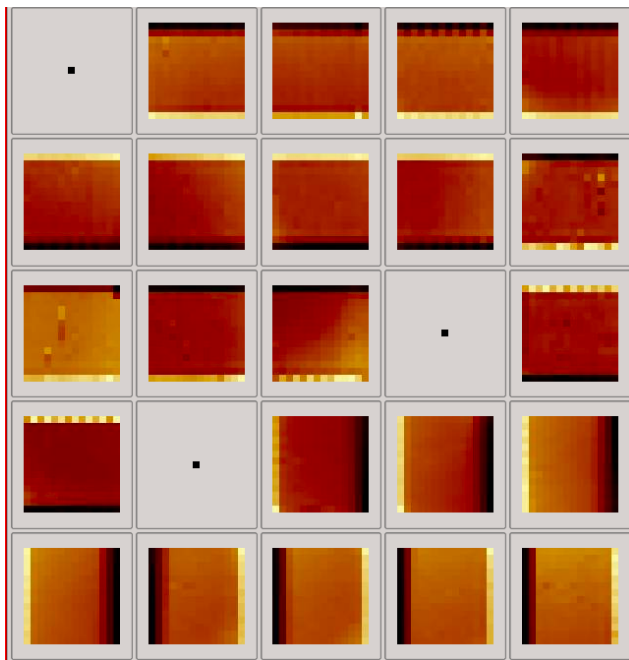
### Output frames:

ILLUM\_CORR

## Sub-optimal rotator angles

## Problem

- Strong gradients on IFU edges
- Calibration data at 60, 105, 155, 205, 250, 305 deg
- FLAT\_SKY is at 10 deg, closest calib. angle is 60 deg:  $\Delta 50$  deg

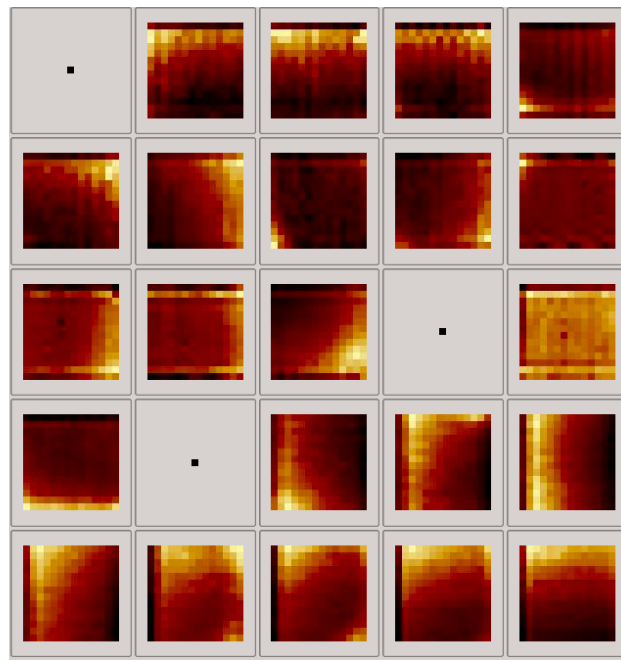


(noise has been  
stripped with  
kmo\_fits\_strip)

## Optimal rotator angles

## Solution

- With angles of 0, 60, 120, 180, 240, 300 deg effect is minimised
- ESO OCS ROT NAANGLE matters when FLAT\_EDGE supplied: SKYFLAT\_EDGE shifted to match FLAT\_EDGE



## kmo\_illumination vs. kmo\_illumination\_flat

### kmo\_illumination

- several FLAT\_SKY frames

#### Pro:

Real sky exposures

#### Con:

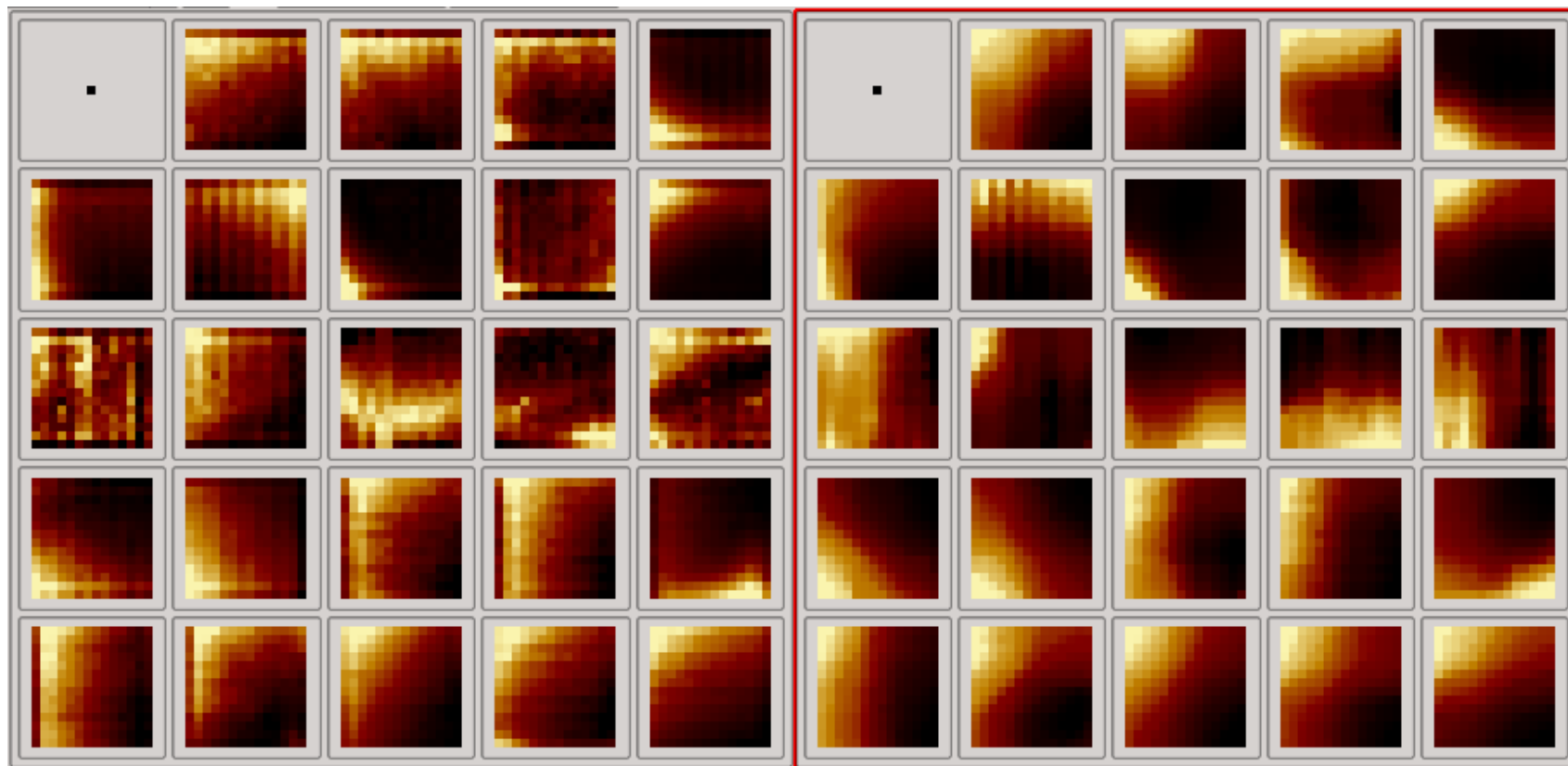
Edge effects due to flexure (FLAT\_SKY and MASTER\_FLAT not matching exactly)

### kmo\_illumination\_flat

- Using FLAT\_ON frames

#### Pro:

No edge effects



## Illumination Correction

Recipe: `kmo_illumination_flat`

## Purpose:

Create a calibration frame to correct spatial non-uniformity of flatfield.

## Main Parameters:

--imethod="NN", "lwNN", "swNN", „MS“, „CS“

--flux=TRUE (apply flux conservation)

## Example:

```
esorex kmo_illumination_flat illum_flat.sof
                                     with illum_flat.sof containing:
                                     flat_001.fits          FLAT_SKY_FLAT
                                     flat_002.fits          FLAT_SKY_FLAT
                                     flat_003.fits          FLAT_SKY_FLAT
                                     xcal.fits              XCAL
                                     ycal.fits              YCAL
                                     lcal.fits              LCAL
                                     kmos_wave_band.fits    WAVE_BAND
```

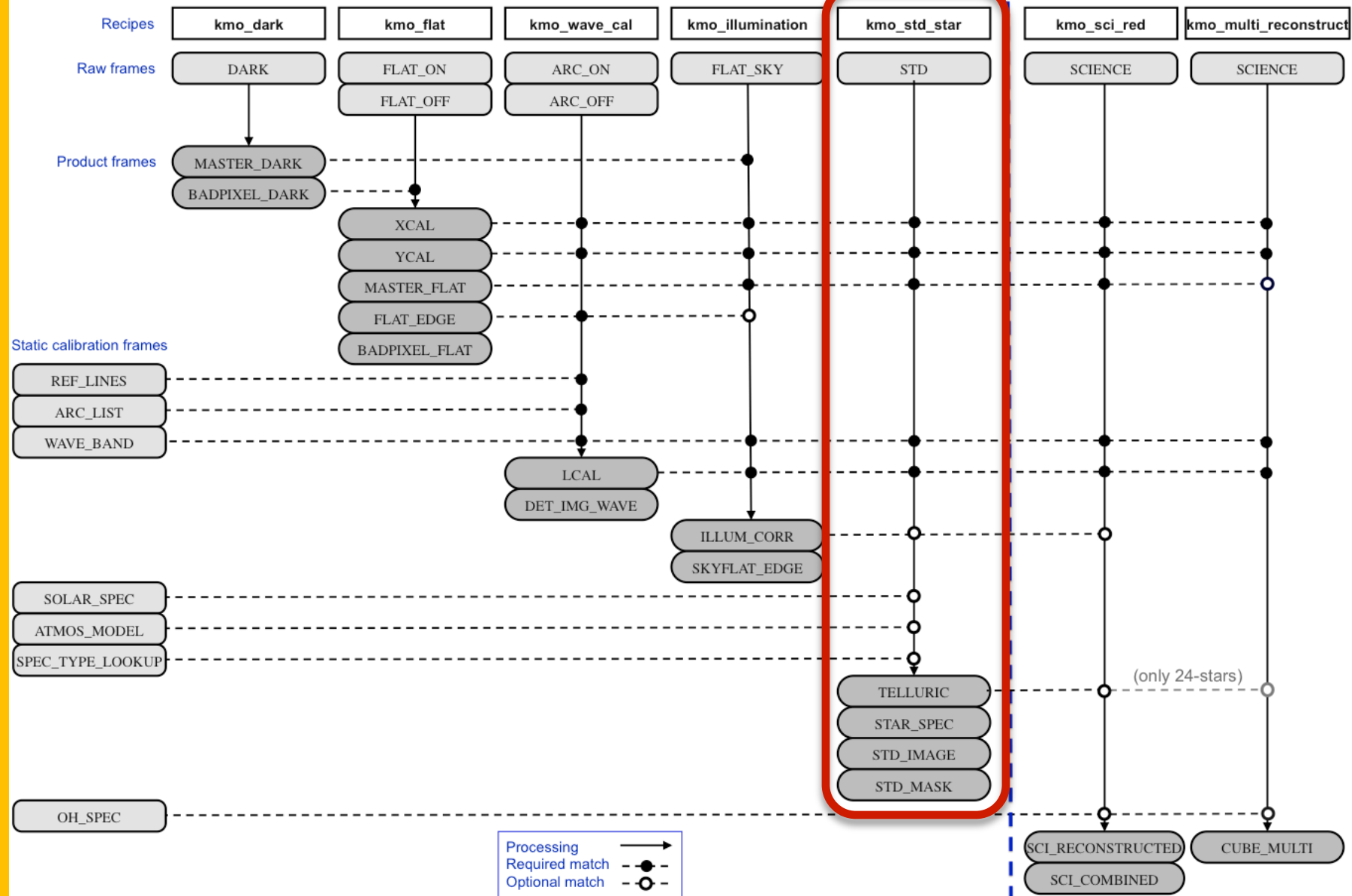
It is recommended to supply at least 3 FLAT\_SKY\_FLAT frames

## Output frames:

ILLUM\_CORR

## Calibration

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## Telluric Correction

## Recipe: kmo\_std\_star

## Purpose:

Create the telluric correction frame

## Main Parameters:

```
--imethod="NN", "lwNN", "swNN", „MS“, „CS“
--startype="B7III"
--magnitude=7
```

## Example:

```
esorex kmo_std_star std.sof
```

with std.sof containing:

frame_001.fits	STD
frame_002.fits	STD
frame_003.fits	STD
master_flat.fits	MASTER_FLAT
xcal.fits	XCAL
ycal.fits	YCAL
lcal.fits	LCAL
kmos_wave_band.fits	WAVE_BAND
illum_corr.fits	ILLUM_CORR
kmos_solar_h_2400.fits	SOLAR_SPEC
kmos_atmos_h.fits	ATMOS_MODEL
kmos_spec_type.fits	SPEC_TYPE_LOOKUP

## Output frames:

TELLURIC, STD\_IMAGE

Common IFU-setup of  
KMOS\_spec\_cal\_stdstar-template

IFUs	#3	#12	#20
Exp #1:	O	S	S
Exp #2:	S	O	S
Exp #3:	S	S	O
Exp #4:	O	S	S

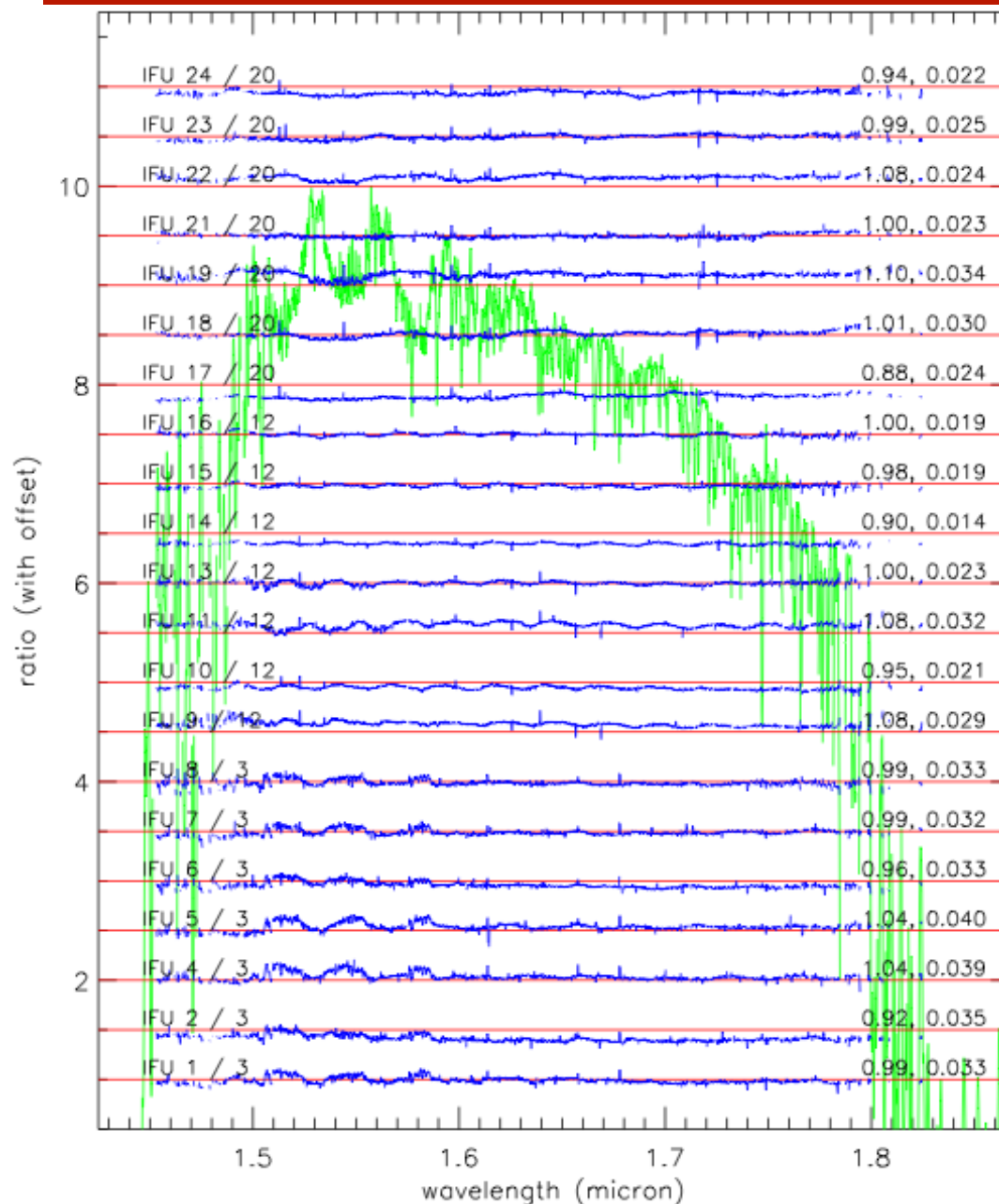
KMOS.2013-06-29T05:28:31.799.fits  
KMOS.2013-06-29T05:29:02.503.fits  
KMOS.2013-06-29T05:29:27.419.fits

OCS ROT NAANGLE = ~10 deg

No, it's sky exposures!

Indeed, here we have persistency

	#1	#2	#3
IFU 3:	O	S	O
IFU 12:	S	O	S



Comparison of H-band spectra of the same standard star measured just in IFUs 3, 12 and 20, to spectra of the same star measured in the other IFUs

green: H-band spectrum  
blue: ratio between 2 IFUs of same detector  
red: ratio of 1 for reference

Numbers on the right: mean and stddev

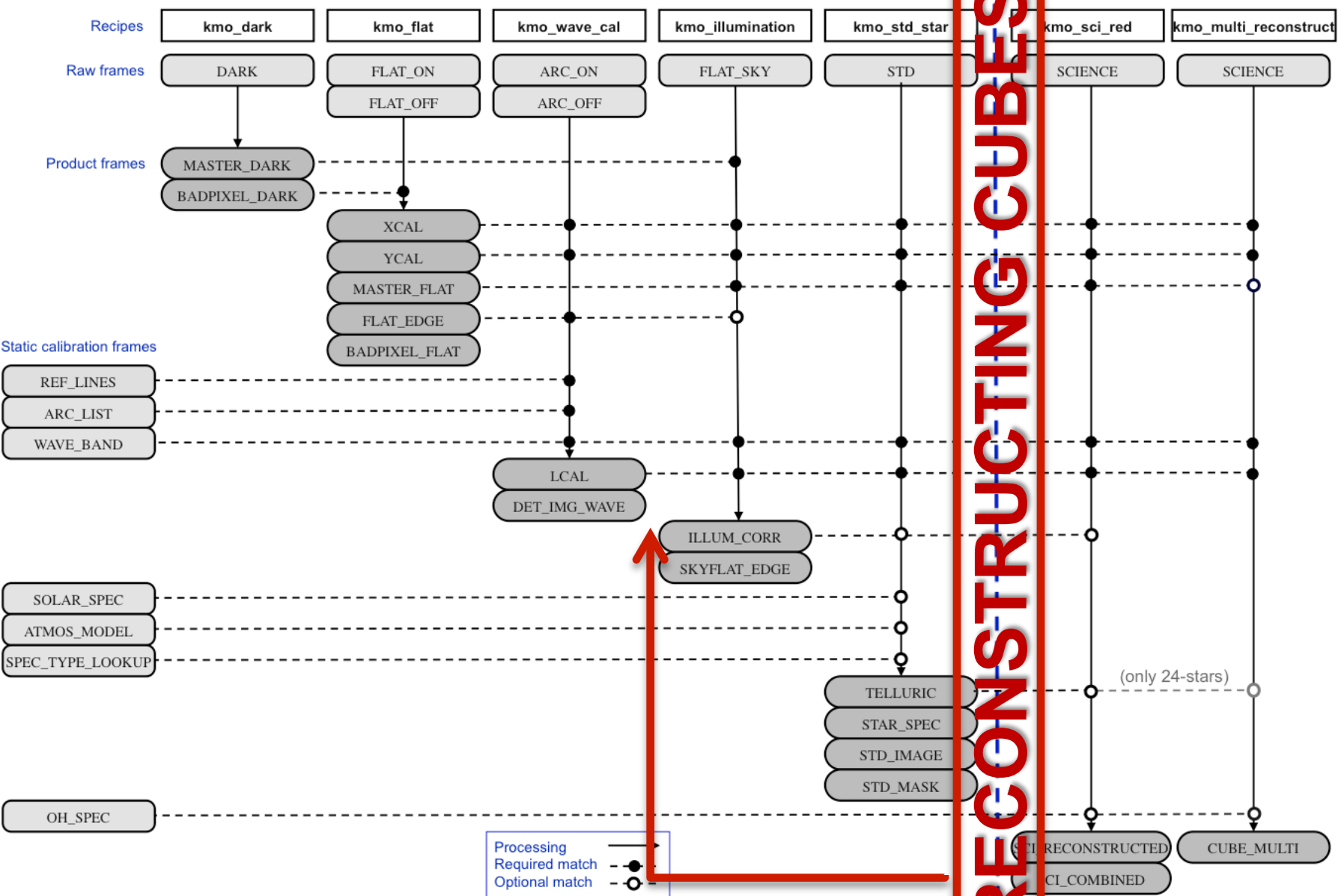
Just using 3 arms to calibrate all IFUs sufficient at the level of precision of few percent

- gain in time during calibration
- **It is important to have a standard star in every detector!**
- When rotator optimization intervenes, the IFUs can be reallocated (this is the case when the keyword ESO OCS OFFSET is present → check for ESO OCS ARMx ORIGINAME)

## Calibration

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RECONSTRUCTING CUBES



## Recipe: kmo\_reconstruct

### Purpose:

Reconstruct the 24 cubes of a single exposure.

Note that **no separate bad pixel mask is required** because it is already encoded in the calibration frames.

### Main Parameters:

--imethod="NN", "lwNN", "swNN", „MS“, „CS“

--flux=TRUE (apply flux conservation)

### Example:

```
esorex kmo_reconstruct reconstruct.sof with reconstruct.sof containing:  
frame_001.fits          OBJECT  
xcal.fits               XCAL  
ycal.fits               YCAL  
lcal.fits               LCAL  
kmos_wave_band.fits     WAVE_BAND
```

Instead of OBJECT as well DARK, FLAT\_ON, ARC\_ON, STD or SCIENCE can be provided

### Output frames:

CUBE\_DARK, CUBE\_FLAT, CUBE\_ARC, CUBE\_OBJECT, CUBE\_STD or CUBE\_SCIENCE  
DET\_IMG\_WAVE (optional)



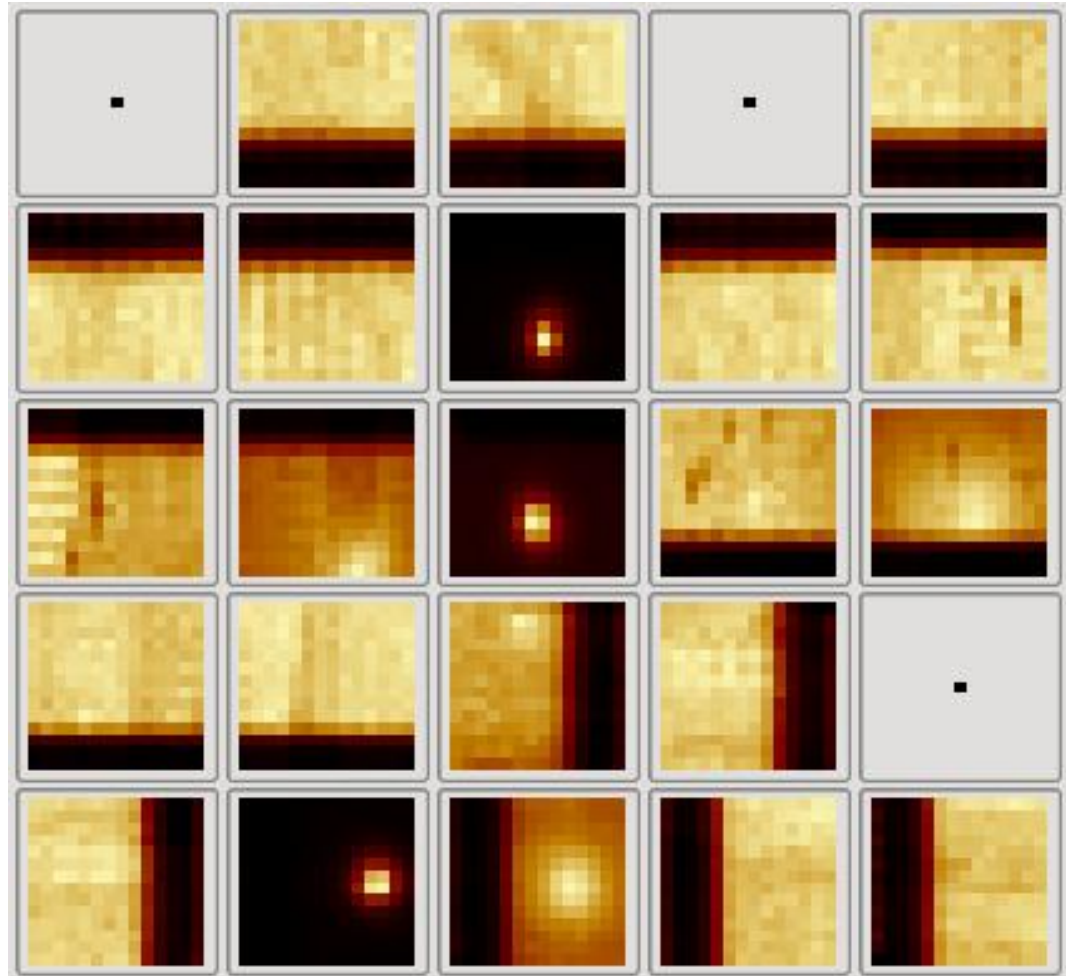
### Issue:

Big stripes at IFU borders

- Reconstruction has been executed
- But calibrations don't match the data frames
- e.g. gratings slightly in a different position

### Solution:

Take new calibration frames

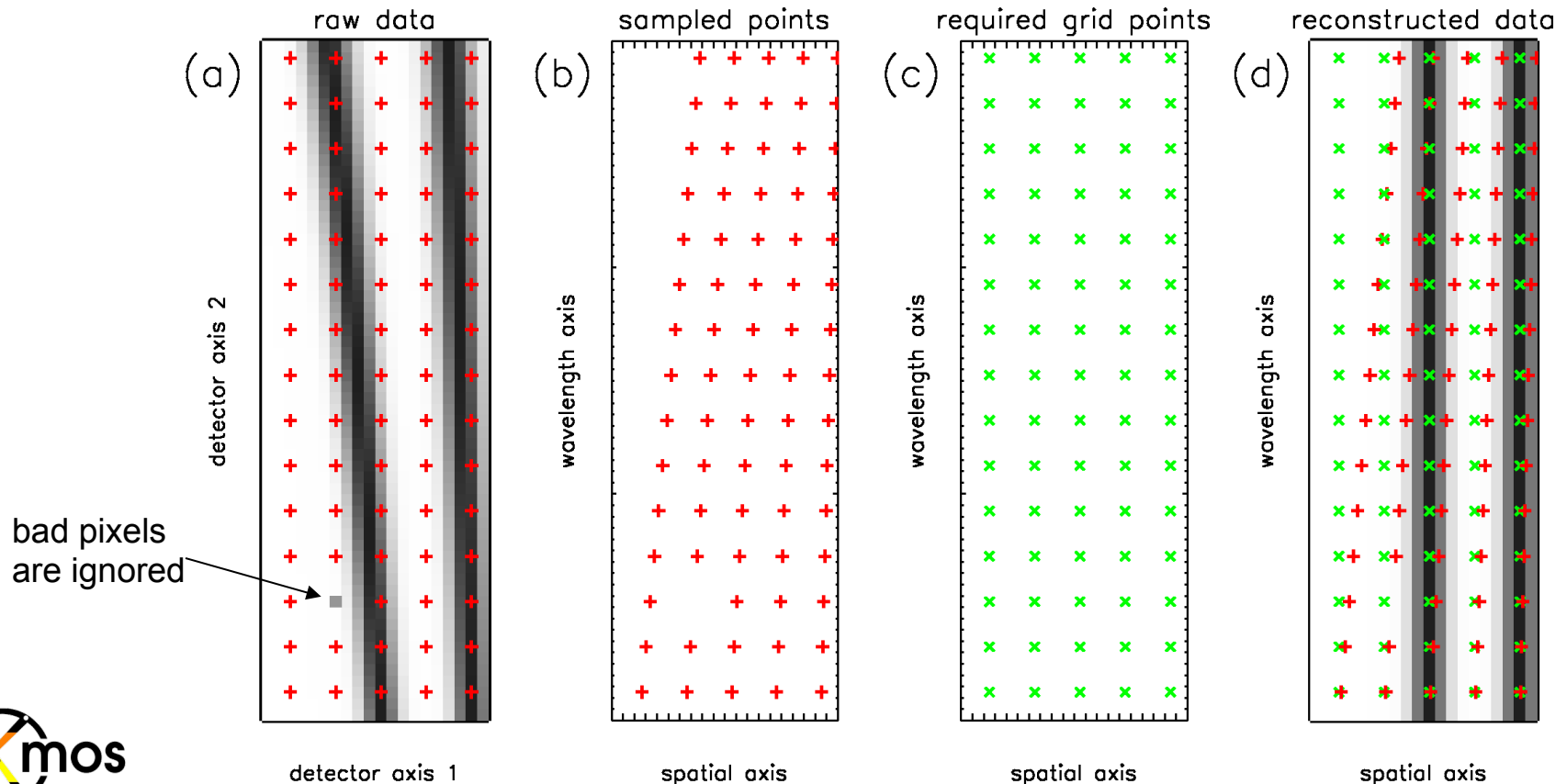


- Final frame** – regularly gridded  $x, y, \lambda$  positions where we want to know data values
- Calibration frames** – LUTs for *irregularly* spaced  $x, y, \lambda$  of each pixel on detector
- Detector frame** – data values for these *irregularly* spaced  $x, y, \lambda$  sampling positions

Create a list of sample points so that the data is dissociated totally from the detector frame.  
i.e. the observations & calibrations simply give you:  $\text{value}_0, x_0, y_0, \lambda_0$

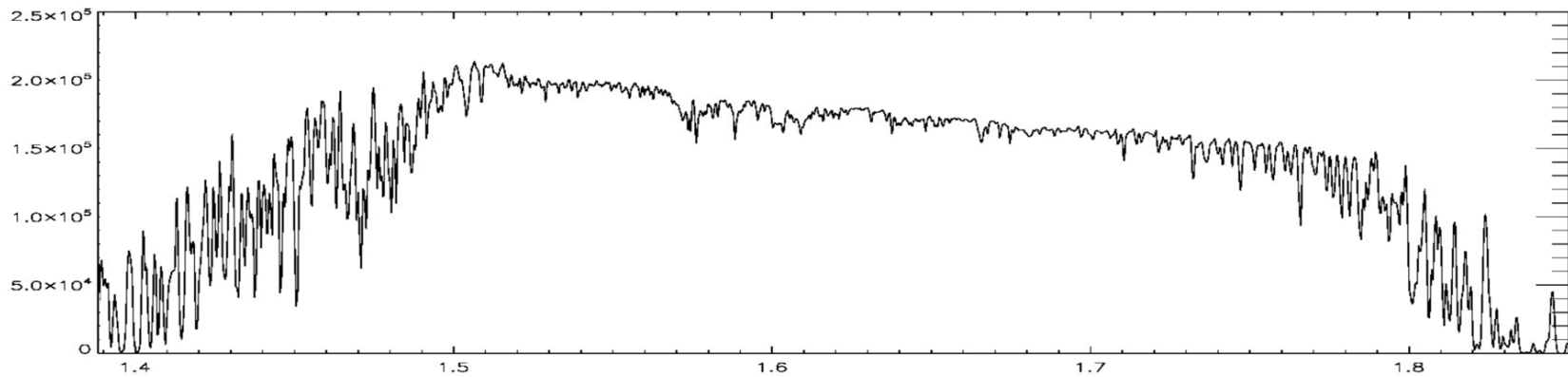
...  
 $\text{value}_n, x_n, y_n, \lambda_n$

Each point in final frame is interpolated from sampled points in its local neighbourhood

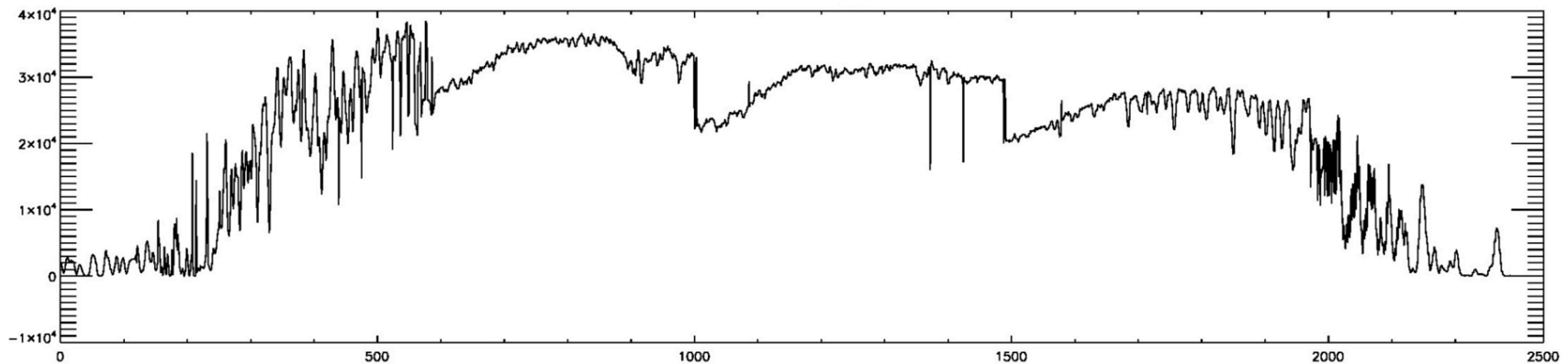


## Comparison of Interpolation methods: Spectral Effects

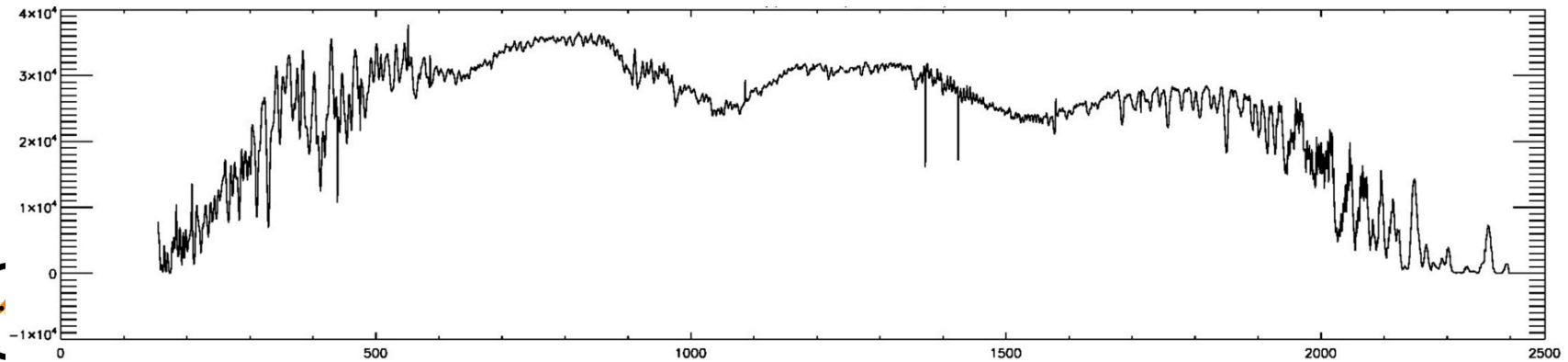
Original spectrum



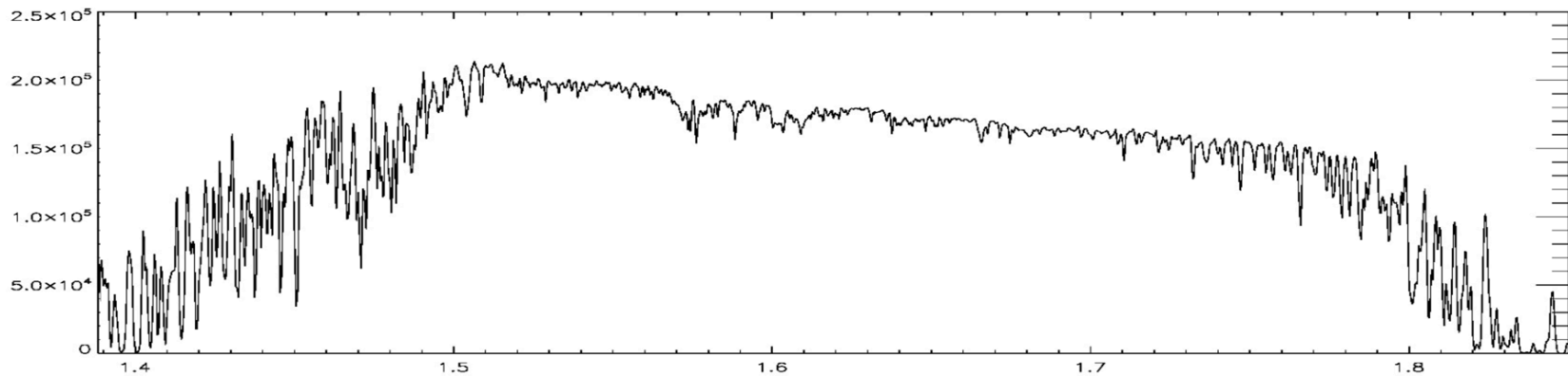
Nearest Neighbour



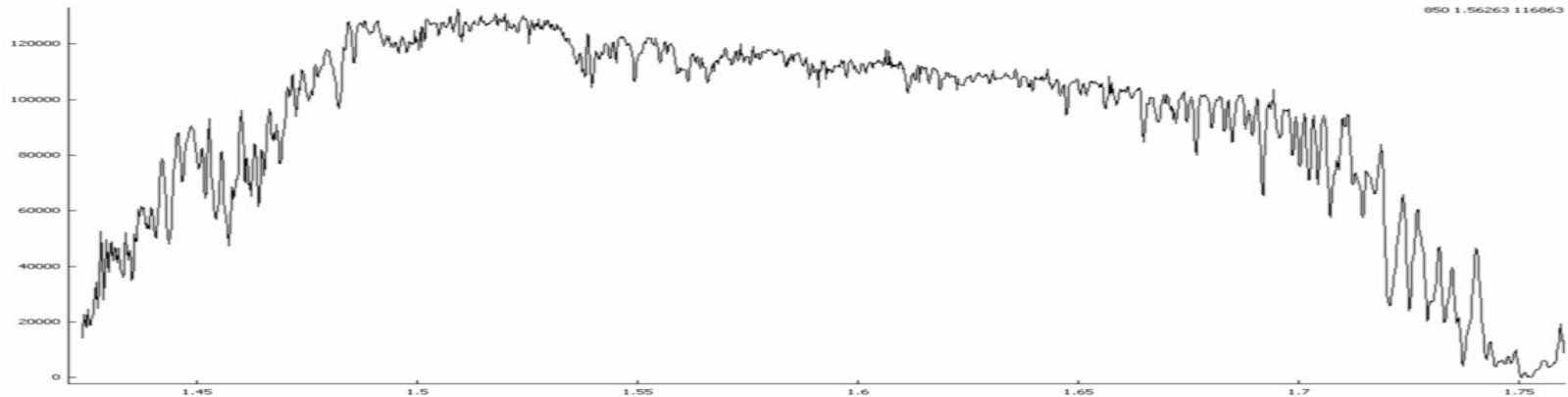
Modified Shepard's method



Original spectrum



Cubic spline

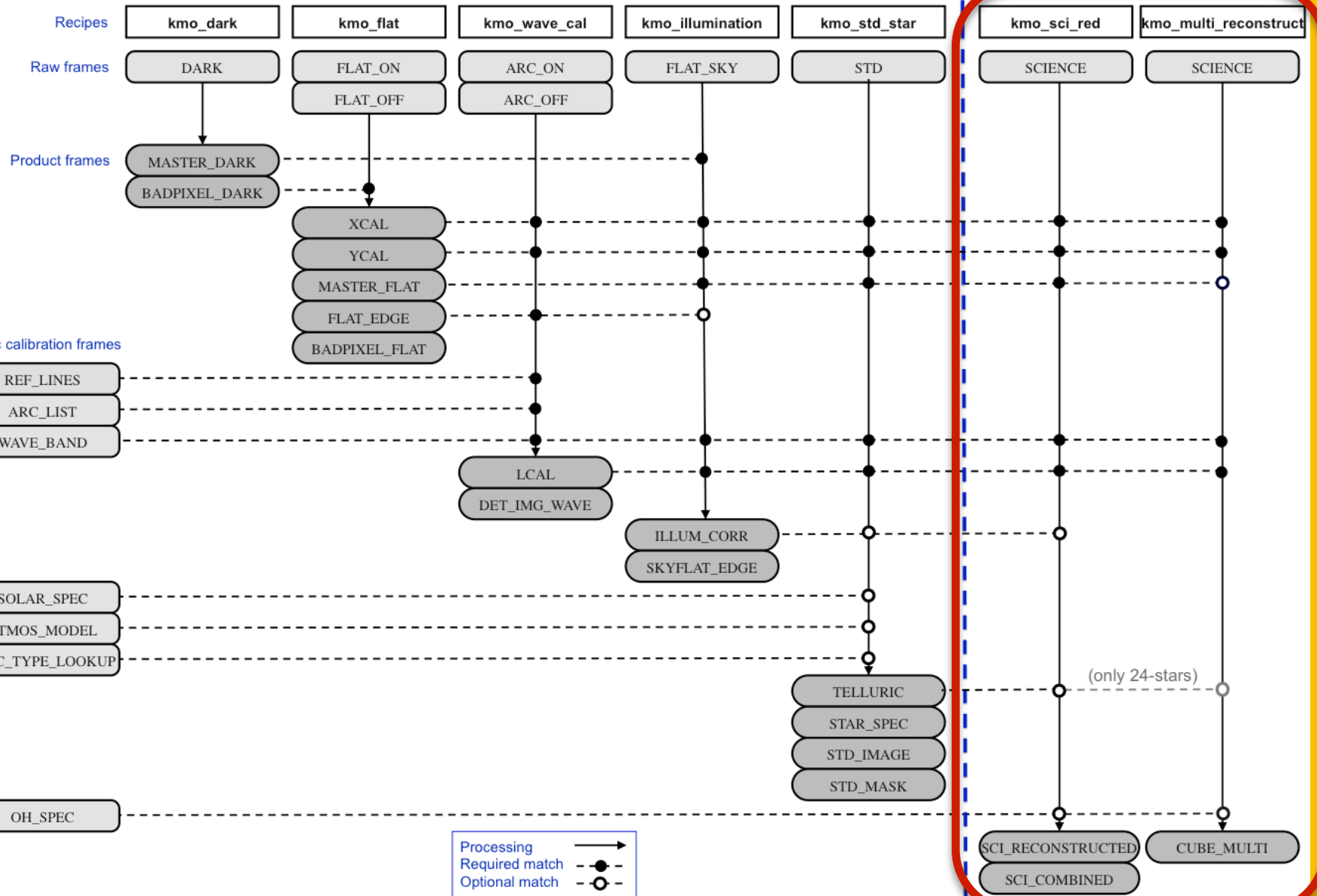


Ripples introduced during reconstruction  
With CS being less severe than with NN-methods

Can be avoided with better sampling, which provides the  
kmo\_multi\_reconstruct recipe

## Calibration

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## Simple two-step Reconstruction & Combination

- **kmo\_sci\_red**
  - **kmo\_reconstruct**
    - Reconstruct every single IFU separately
    - For every IFU: sky-detection and –subtraction
    - Telluric and illumination correction
  - **kmo\_combine**
    - All cubes combined together

→ **Poor:** Data is interpolated twice

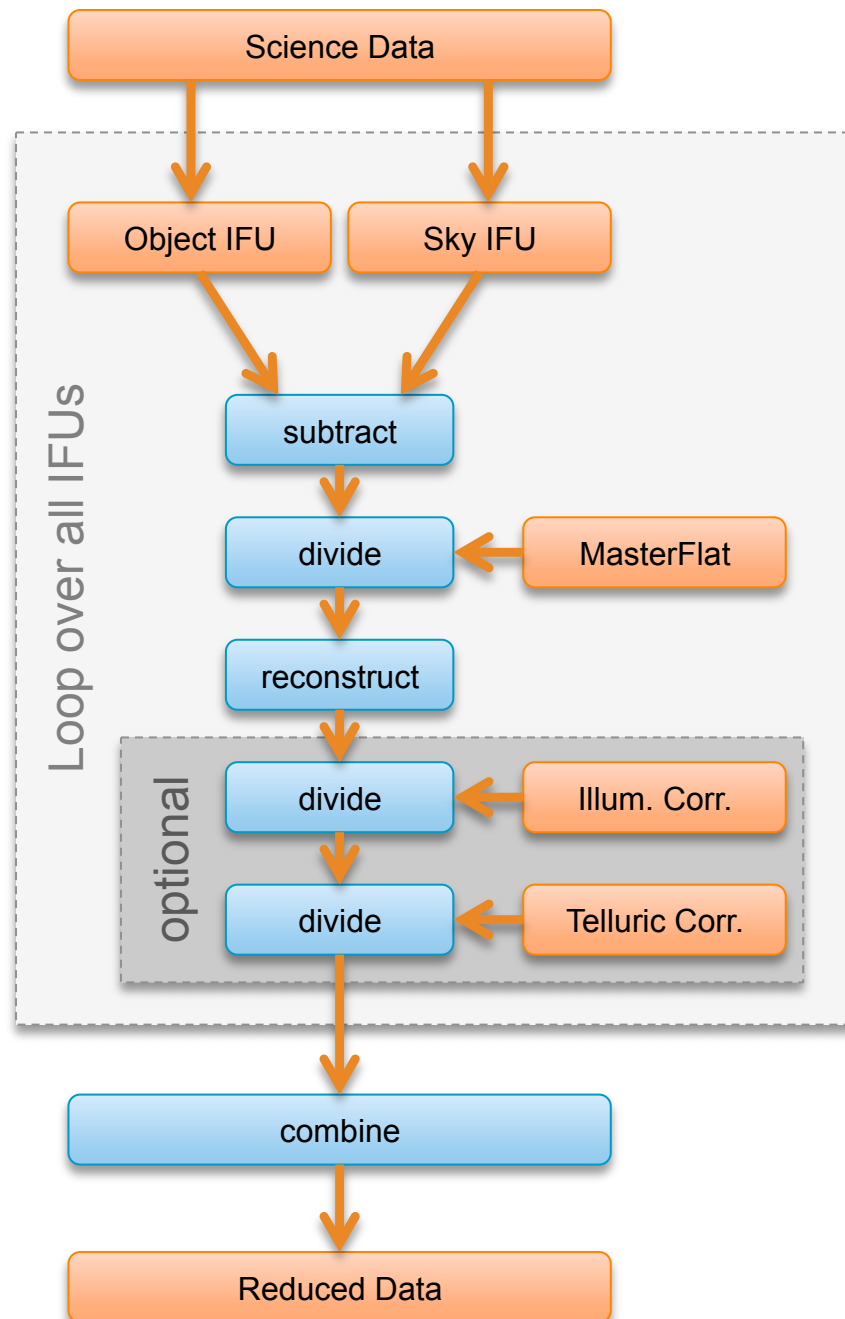
## Advanced Reconstruction & Combination

- **kmo\_multi\_reconstruct**
  - Calculate shifts (evtl. reconstruct IFUs separately)
  - create Super-LUT
  - Reconstruct all data in one step

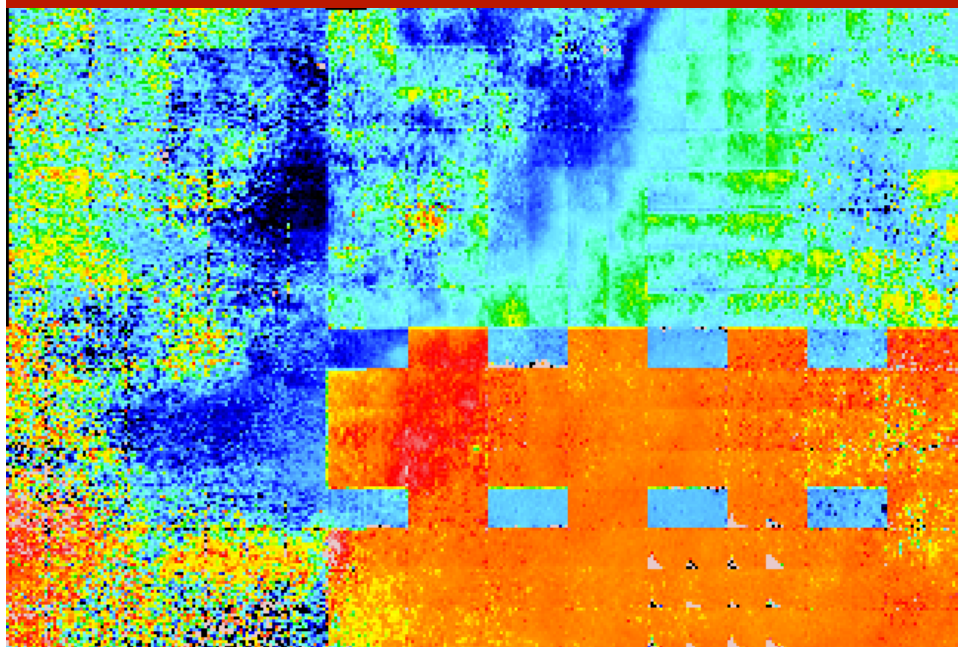
→ **Pretty:** Data is interpolated once!

→ **BUT:**

- Advanced recipe for expert users
- Doesn't provide all features kmo\_sci\_red does!  
e.g. ILLUM\_CORR would have to be mapped back to RAW image space and is therefore not supported
- TELLURIC only supported with 24-star template

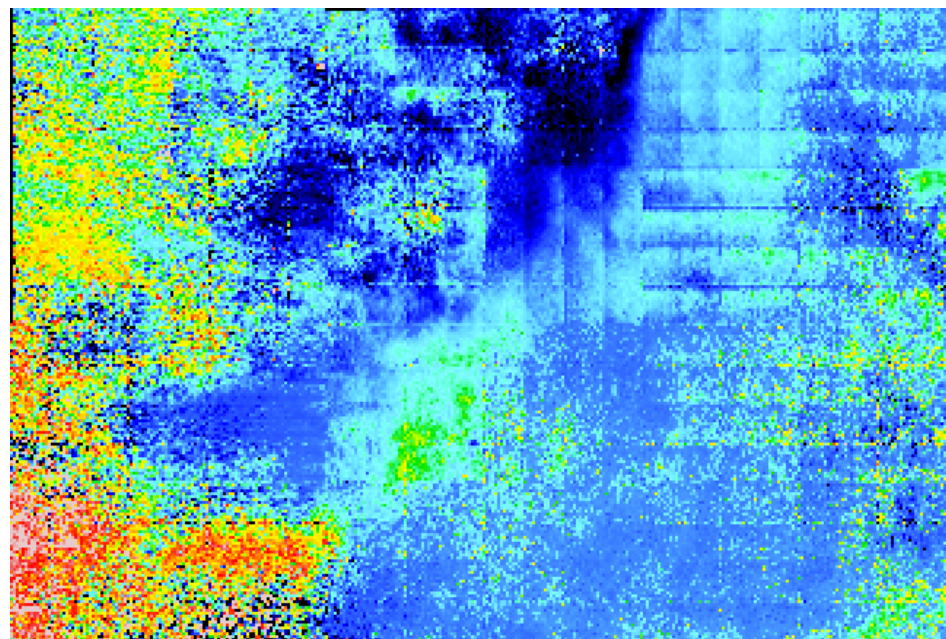


## Example: Wavelength matching



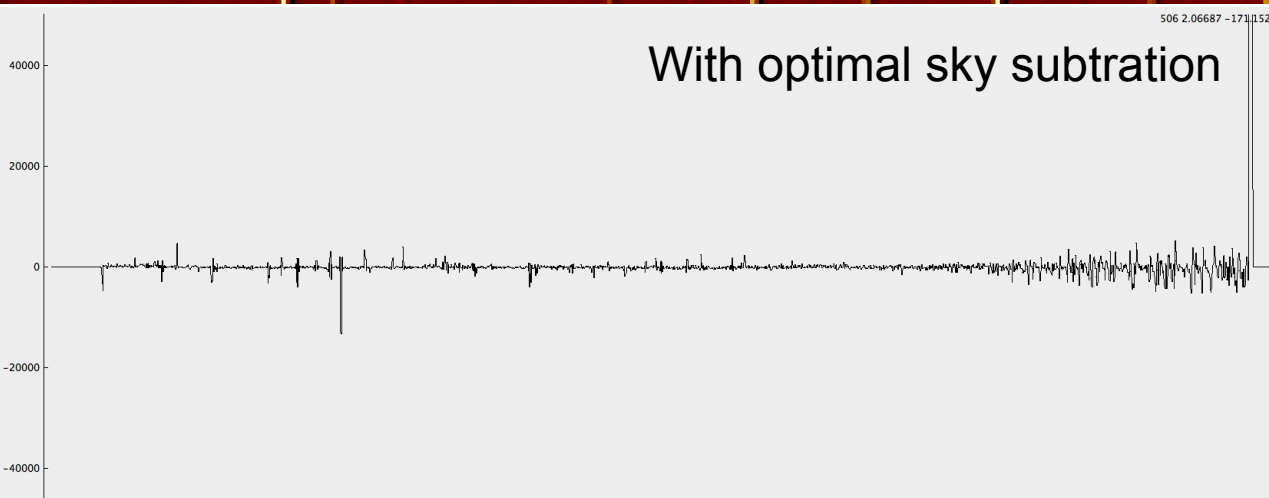
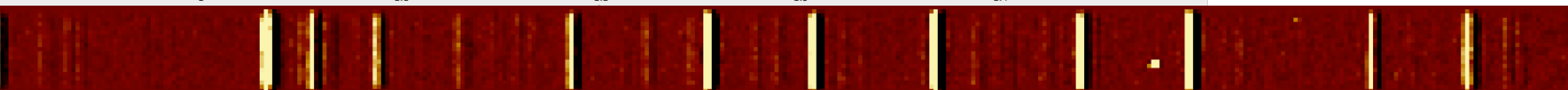
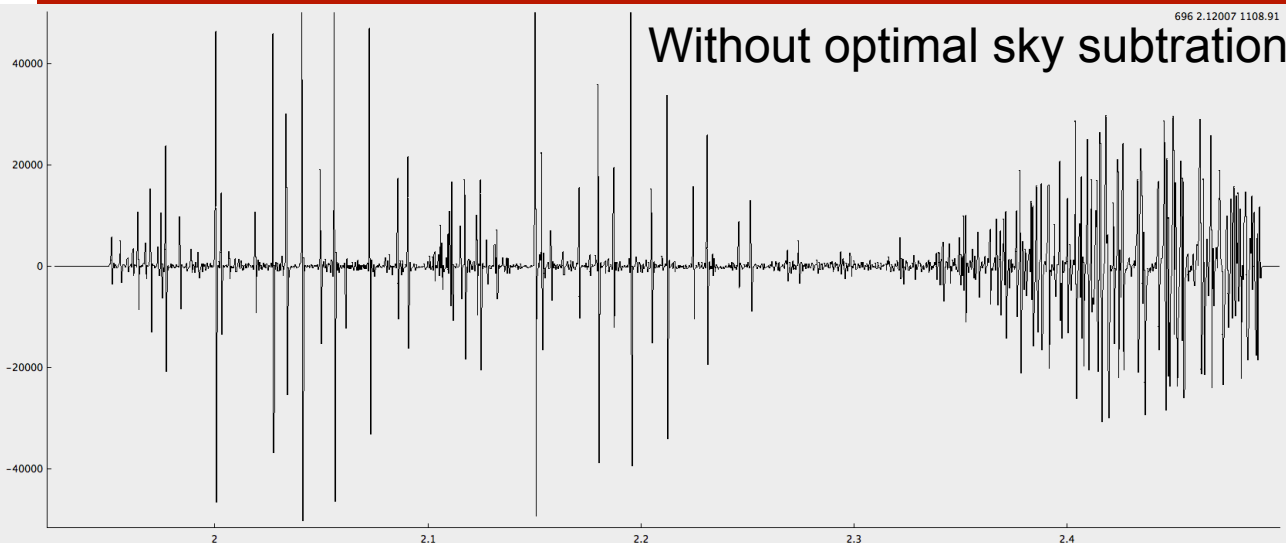
before

after

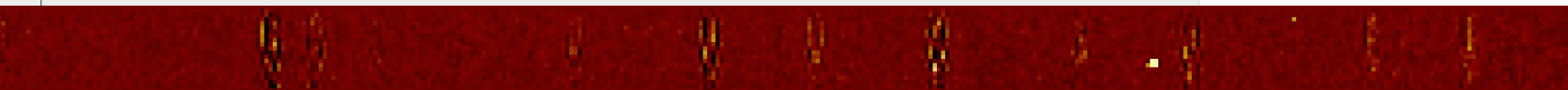


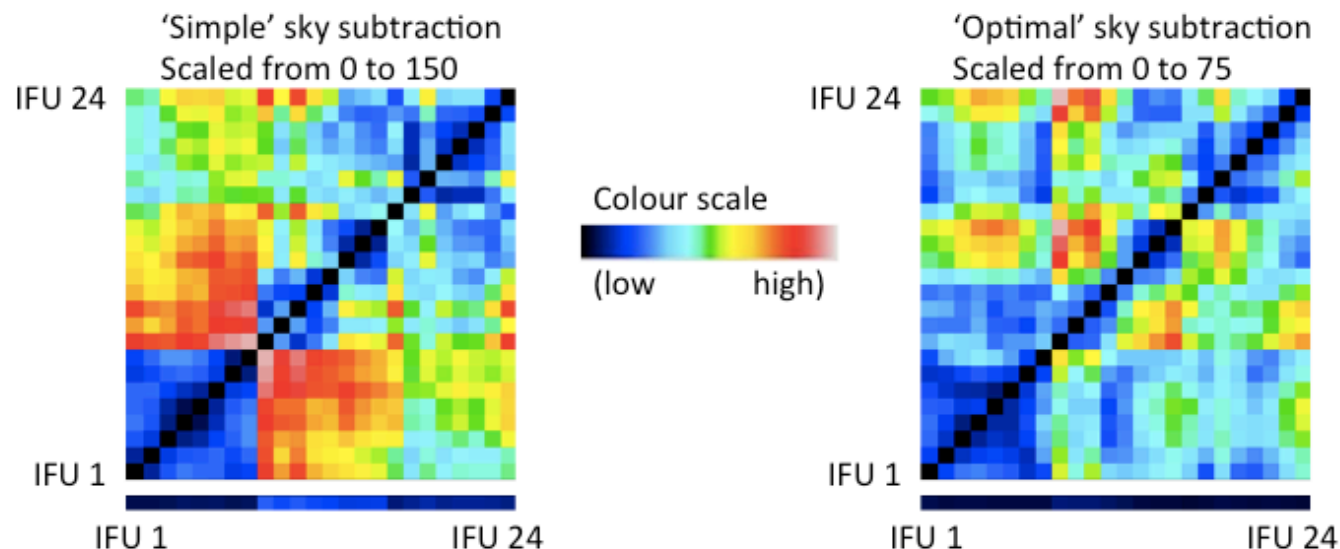
→ kmo\_sci\_red with  
OH\_SPEC frame provided

## Example: Optimal sky subtraction



- Available as
  - opt. parameter in `kmo_sci_red --sky_tweak` (off by default!)
  - Standalone recipe `kmo_sky_tweak` (e.g. in combination with `kmo_sci_red --no_subtract`)
- Visual difference best seen in H- and K-band





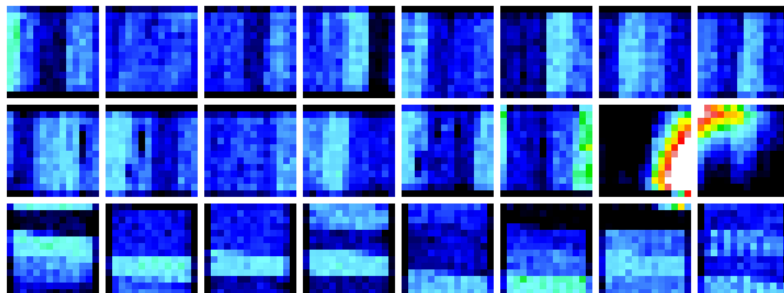
An illustration of the quality of sky subtraction, on the left for the “simple” sky subtraction method, and on the right using the “optimal” sky subtraction method following the algorithm presented in Davies et al. (2007). The matrix shows arm-to-arm subtraction in the same exposure, e.g. the sky residual in IFU  $j$  using IFU  $k$  to do sky subtraction in the same exposure. For comparison, the vector at the bottom shows the sky residual when the sky is subtracted from the same IFU, but from the subsequent exposure, e.g. IFU  $j - \text{IFU } j$  in the classical A-B sequence.

**Example: Detector Read-out Effects**

**Recipes:** `kmo_reconstruct`, `kmo_sci_red`, `kmo_multi_reconstruct`

**Issue:**

Do your reconstructed data have stripes like those?



- Due to temporally variable levels in the read-out channels of the detectors
- The effect is only  $\sim 1$  count but is an issue when observing very faint sources.

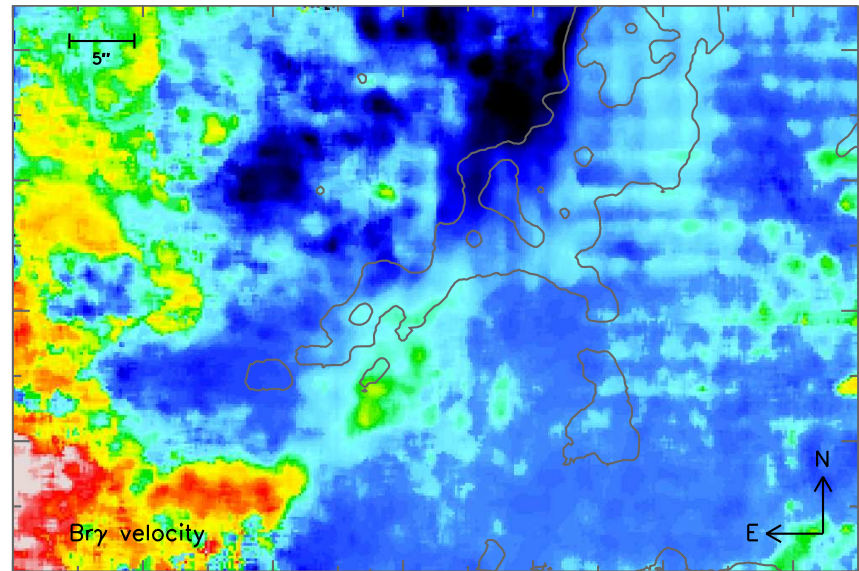
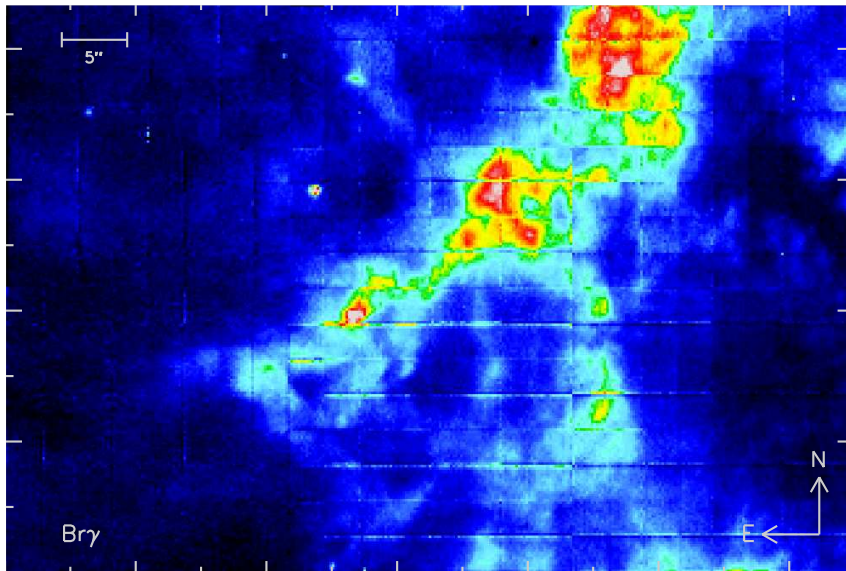
**Solution:**

Perhaps ESO can determine a better setting for the detector readout mode

**Workaround:**

- Download and apply experimental IDL-toolchain **dark\_channel\_correction.tar.gz** from KMOS Wiki



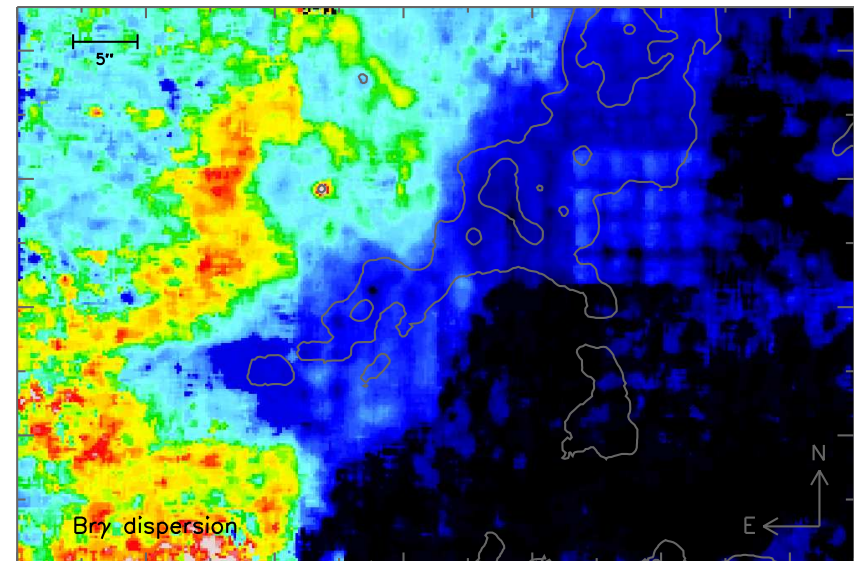


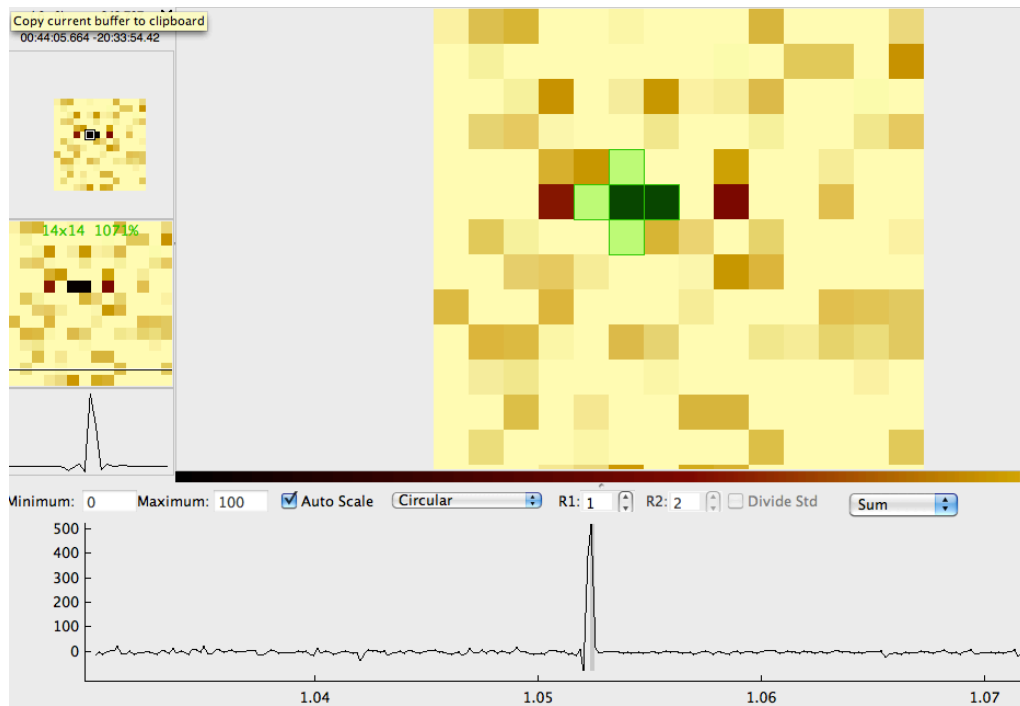
Flux (top), velocity (top right) and dispersion (right) of the Brγ line extracted from the R136 mosaic.

The velocity is shown in the range 230–310 km/s and the dispersion in the range 0–70 km/s

The 2 contours outline the location of the most prominent Brγ line emission for reference

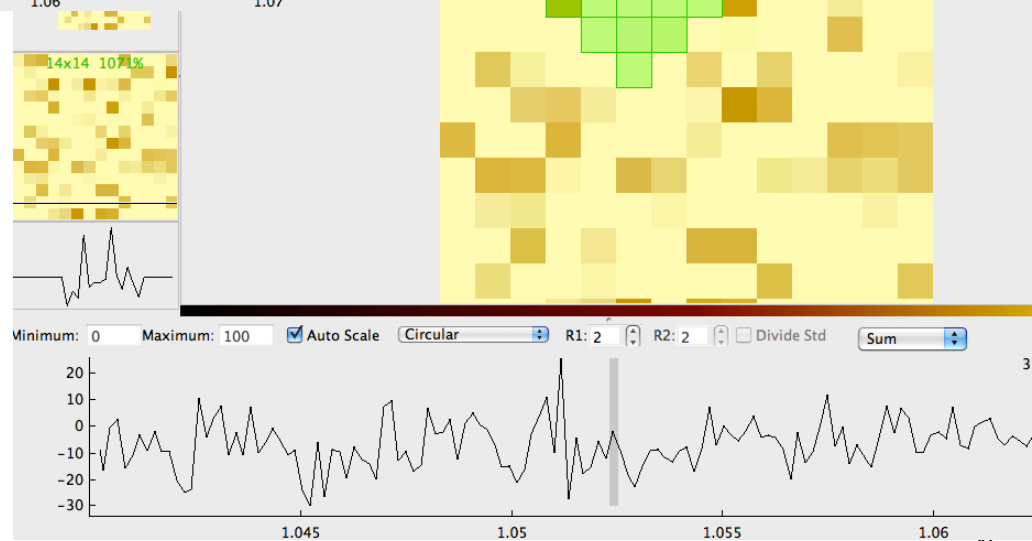
Flux and background calibration have been used for these images to reduce edge effects.  
Can only be used for mosaics with small objects





Get IDL script from KMOS Wiki:  
L.A. Cosmic

[van Dokkum P., 2001, PASP, 113, 1420]



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4b

The DO implemented in ESO software can't handle KMOS specific object/sky exposures objects and skies intermixed in one frame

Input frames

IFU #	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Timestamp in "DATE-OBS" keyword		
Frame 1	O	S	S	S	S	S	O	O	2011-01-13T01:00:00.0000		
Frame 2	S	O	S	S	S	S	S	O	...	02	...
Frame 3	S	S	S	O	S	O	S	O	...	10	...
Frame 4	S	S	S	S	O	S	S	O	...	04	...
Frame 5	O	S	S	O	S	S	S	O	...	05	...

Output frames

Frame 1	X	.	.	.	.	.	X	.
Frame 2	.	X	.	.	.	.	.	.
Frame 3	.	.	.	X	.	X	.	.
Frame 4	.	.	.	.	X	.	.	.
Frame 5	X	.	.	X	.	.	.	.
IFU #	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	X	X	.	X	X	X	X	.

- Association table written to disk  
obj\_sky\_table.txt
- Possibility to edit
- Read-in again

## Data Handling

### Problem:

Lots of exposures with different bands and rotator angles originating from different templates. How to find quickly the needed exposures?

### Solutions:

- Either make use of **dfits** and **fitsort**
- or use the **easySPARK-scripts**
- or use **Reflex** from ESO → workflow GUI

### easySPARK-scripts

- easySPARK\_calibration.sh
  - easySPARK\_dark.sh
  - easySPARK\_flat.sh
  - easySPARK\_wave\_cal.sh
- easySPARK\_illumination.sh
- easySPARK\_illumination\_flat.sh
- easySPARK\_std\_star.sh
- easySPARK\_reconstruct.sh
- easySPARK\_sci\_red.sh
- easySPARK\_multi\_reconstruct.sh

Environment variable KMOS\_CALIB has to be defined

**kmo\_sci\_red: noise / no noise****Problem**

- sci\_combined-products from kmo\_sci\_red sometimes with valid noise extension and sometimes with empty noise extension

**Solution**

- Products of size 14x14pix indicate, that just one object frame was to be combined
  - except for --method="none"
  - → sci\_combined\_xxx == sci\_reconstructed\_xx
- Default --imethod=CS **doesn't** generate noise extension, but empty noise extension generated (with --imethod=NN/lwNN/swNN noise is calculated)
- Use kmo\_fits\_strip --noise to remove unwanted noise extensions

**kmo\_sci\_red: combining different angles****Problem**

[ ERROR ] kmo\_sci\_red: **Illegal input: Orientation of cube 1 (7.01671e-15deg) and cube 2 (90deg) differ!** Align the orientation of this cube with kmo\_rotate before applying this recipe.

**Solution**

- Combining cubes from different OBs, with different rotator offsets  
0deg and 90deg have to be derotated with kmo\_rotate
- Look at
  - HIERARCH ESO OCS ROT OFFANGLE in RAW frames or
  - CD1\_2 and CD2\_1 in products, if these are zero → 0deg



**Overriding unused IFUs****Problem**

- IFU has been wrongly defined as NOTUSED (data well visible on RAW frames)
- How to override ESO OCS ARMx NOTUSED keyword?

**Solution**

- Pipeline doesn't allow any overrides on this
- User can use a text editor or the program 'fv' to erase this keyword
  - In this case an appropriate ESO OCS ARMx TYPE = S or O or R (sky, object, reference) has to be defined

**Long exposure time****Problem**

- EXPTIME is 20 sec, but the time between exposures is about 1 min 30 sec?

**Solution**

- Reconstruction on RTD takes ~30 sec
- NDIT was 3
  - $3 \times 20 \text{ sec} + 30 \text{ sec} = 1 \text{ min } 30 \text{ sec}$

**Note**

Normally only the 1<sup>st</sup> exposure of an OB is reconstructed, but there is a button in the KMOS Control Panel to switch reconstruction on/off during the OB

**Defined wavelength ranges (WAVE\_BAND)**

- H-band: 1.425 - 1.867  $\mu\text{m}$
- HK-band: 1.460 - 2.410  $\mu\text{m}$
- IZ-band: 0.780 - 1.090  $\mu\text{m}$
- K-band: 1.925 - 2.500  $\mu\text{m}$
- YJ-band: 1.000 - 1.359  $\mu\text{m}$

**ATMOS\_MODEL**

- H-band: 1.400 - 1.900  $\mu\text{m}$
- HK-band: 1.450 - 2.430  $\mu\text{m}$
- IZ-band: 0.800 - 1.200  $\mu\text{m}$
- K-band: 1.900 - 2.549  $\mu\text{m}$
- YJ-band: 0.925 - 1.379  $\mu\text{m}$

**SOLAR\_SPEC**

- H-band: 1.403 - 1.802  $\mu\text{m}$
- HK-band: 1.403 - 2.501  $\mu\text{m}$
- IZ-band: –
- K-band: 1.932 - 2.501  $\mu\text{m}$
- YJ-band: –

- Please **choose equidistant rotator angles** unless you know what you are doing
  - When observations have a nasmyth angle from 10 to 20deg (ESO PRO NAANGLE keyword), it is valid to take calibrations at e.g. 5, 10, 15, 20, 25deg
  - But then these calibrations are only suited for these specific SCIENCE frames!
- Check if there is a **standard star in every detector!**
- Assure that you always have a **sky exposure in every IFU!**
- Consider strongly to **provide OH\_SPEC frame** for wavelength matching!
- **Use sky\_tweak wherever possible** (as parameter in kmo\_sci\_red or standalone with kmo\_sky\_tweak)!
- Consider using parameter **--edge\_nan** in kmo\_sci\_red when dithering. Dark edges will be cut off.
- When experiencing offsets in pointing, respect following sources:
  - LUTs for arm positioning on instrument workstation could be outdated  
→ nothing you can do afterwards
  - Calibration frames differing too much in time from science exposures  
→ check for newer calibration frames (normally done during daytime after observation)
  - Calibration frames differing too much in temperature from science exposures  
→ check for better matching calibration frames
- And still there can be shifts up to 1pix...