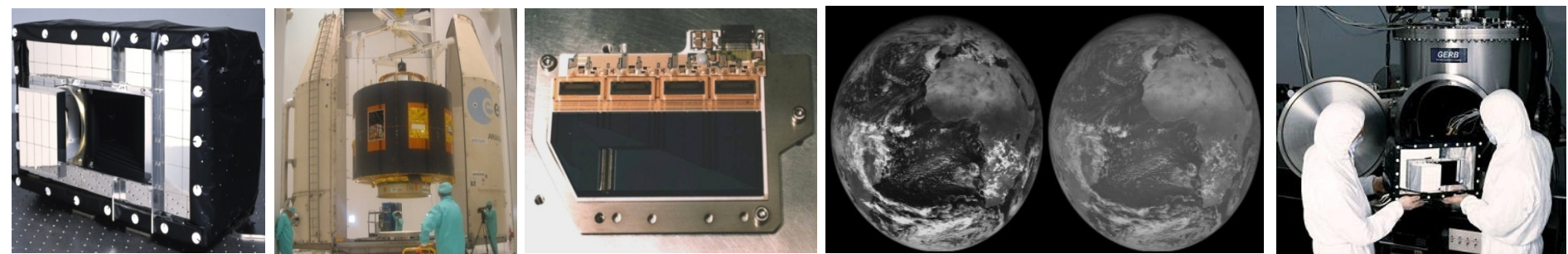


## **Edition 2 calibration homogenisation**



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## Edition 2 aims and background

- Background
  - Initial GERB 2 – GERB 1 inter-comparisons highlighted calibration differences as a function of scene for SW.
  - Scene dependent reduction in SW radiance from GERB 1 and GERB 2 observed over their life.
- Aims:
  - Characterise calibration differences between G1 and G2 and changes to each instruments calibration over operational life.
  - Define method to account for this in the Edition 2 processing to produce a single stable record for the period 2004 – 2012 from the two observational datasets.
  - Evaluation and correction performed on the GERB level 2 unfiltered products.

*GERB 2 Dec 2002 – Jan 2004 commissioning at ssp -10.5°*

***GERB 2 May 2004 – April 2007 Operational record ssp -3.5°***

*GERB 1 July 2006 – April 2007 commissioning at ssp 0°*

***GERB 1 May 2007 – December 2012 operational record ssp 0°***

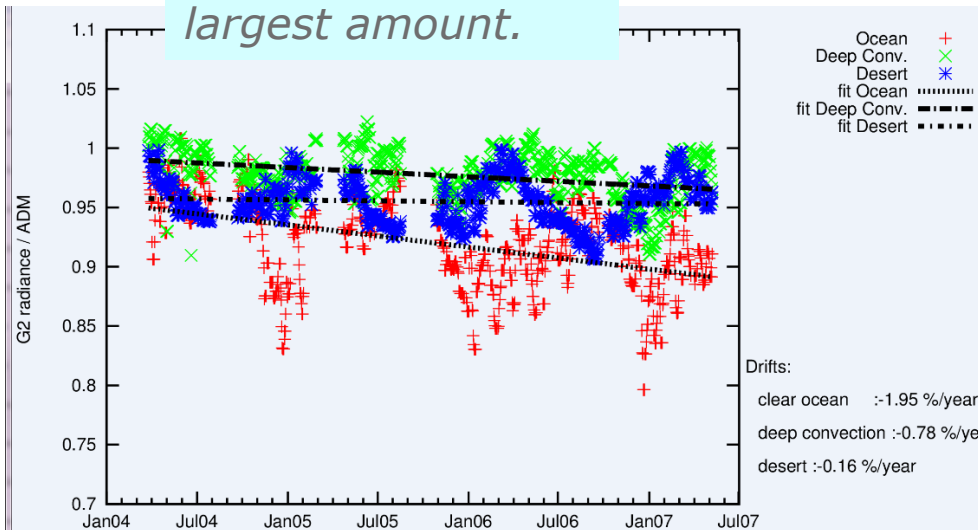
*G2 t<sub>0</sub> May 2004*

*G1 t<sub>0</sub> May 2007*

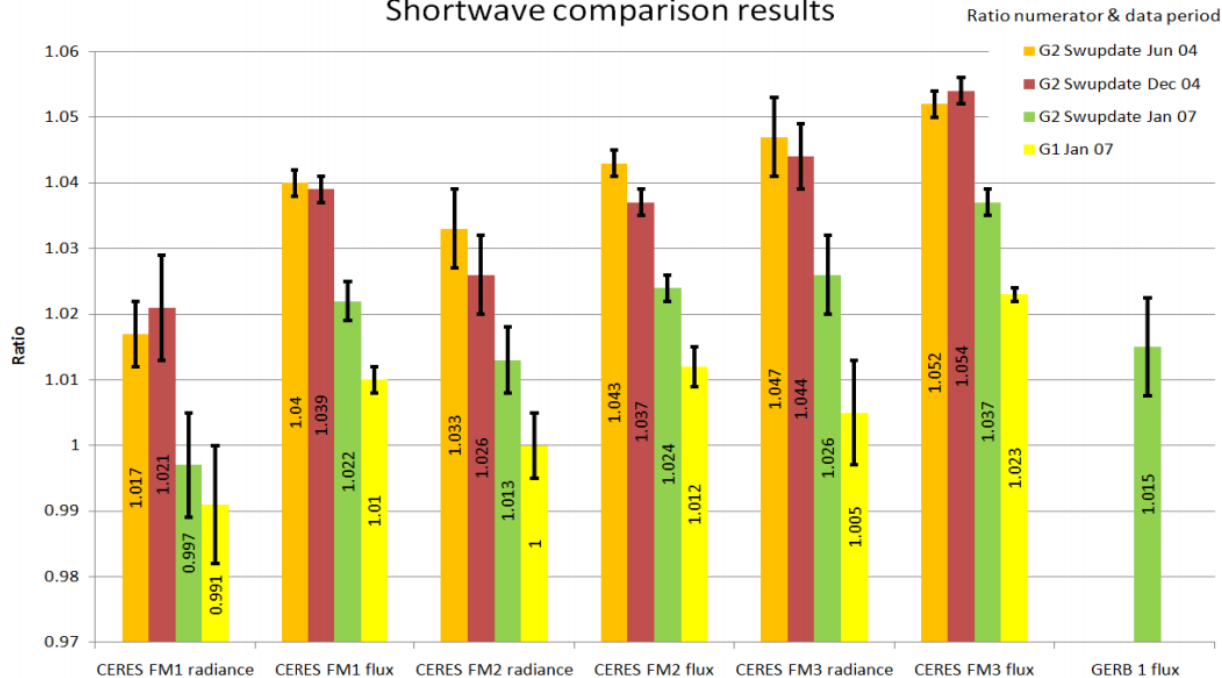
# GERB 2 calibration change

Comparisons between GERB 2 and CERES ED2 in 2004 and 2007 showed a reduction in the ratio of their radiance and fluxes (1.6-2% change over 3 years)

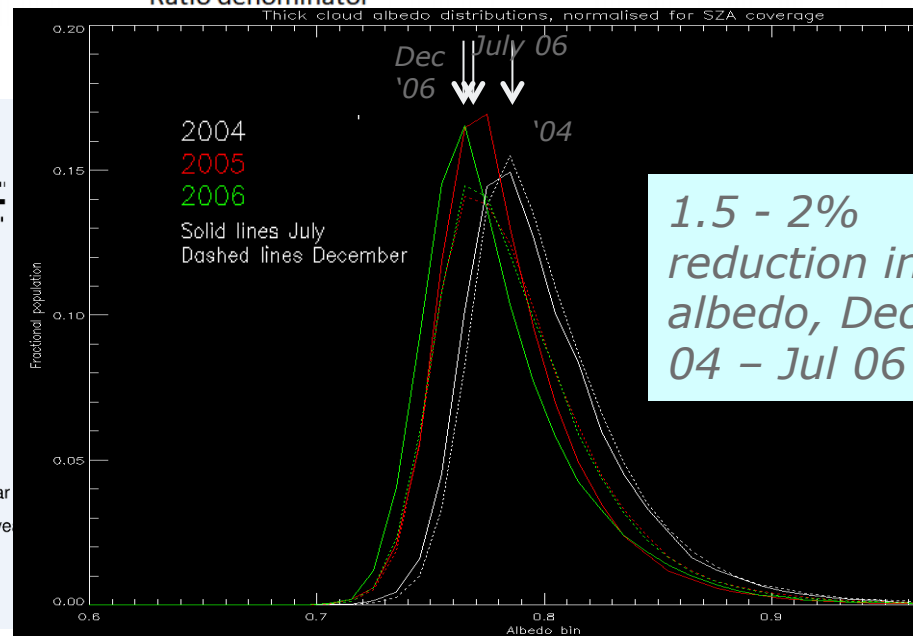
Desert changes least, ocean the largest amount.



## Shortwave comparison results

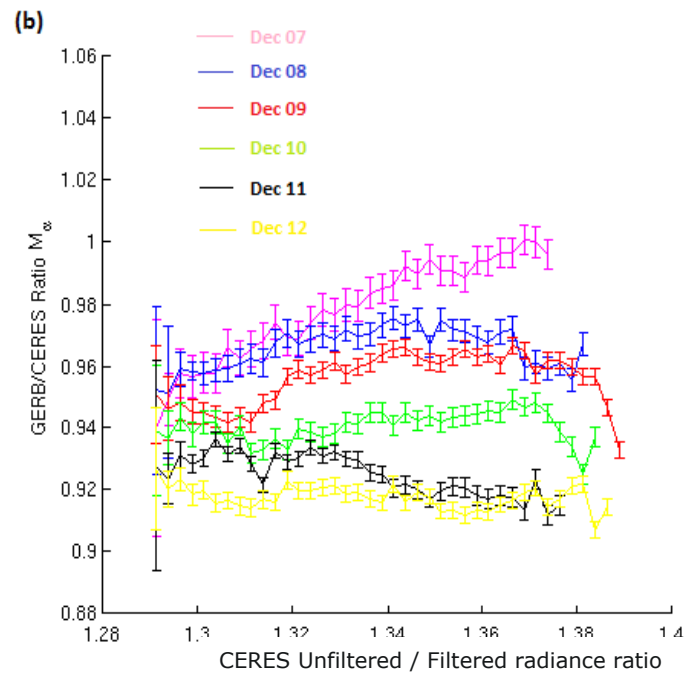
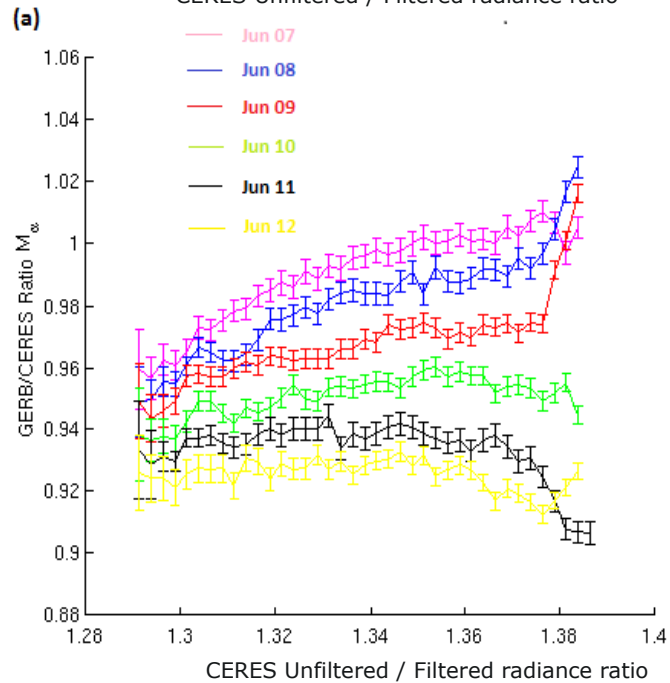
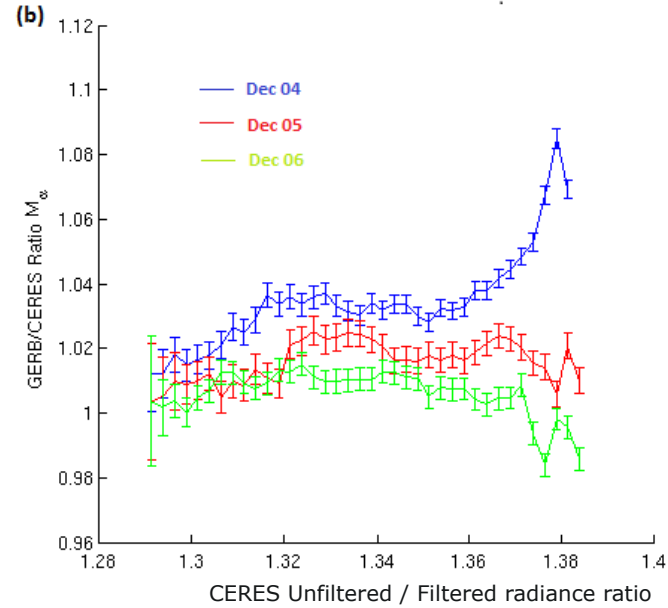
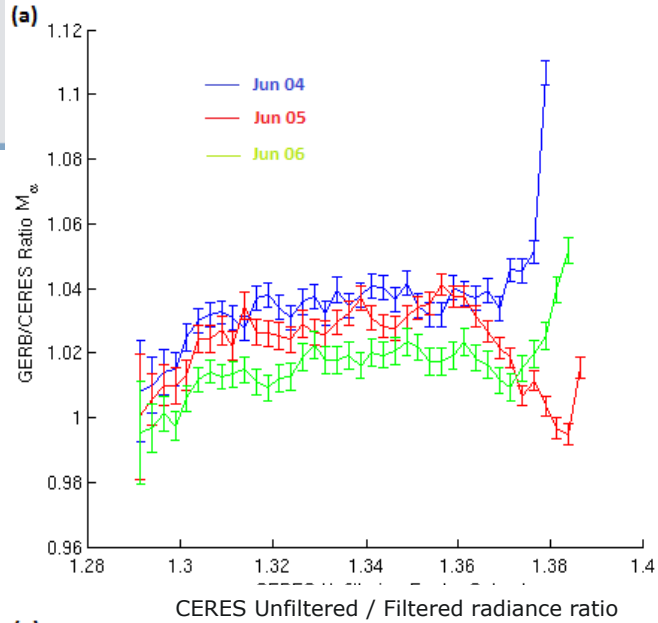


## Ratio denominator

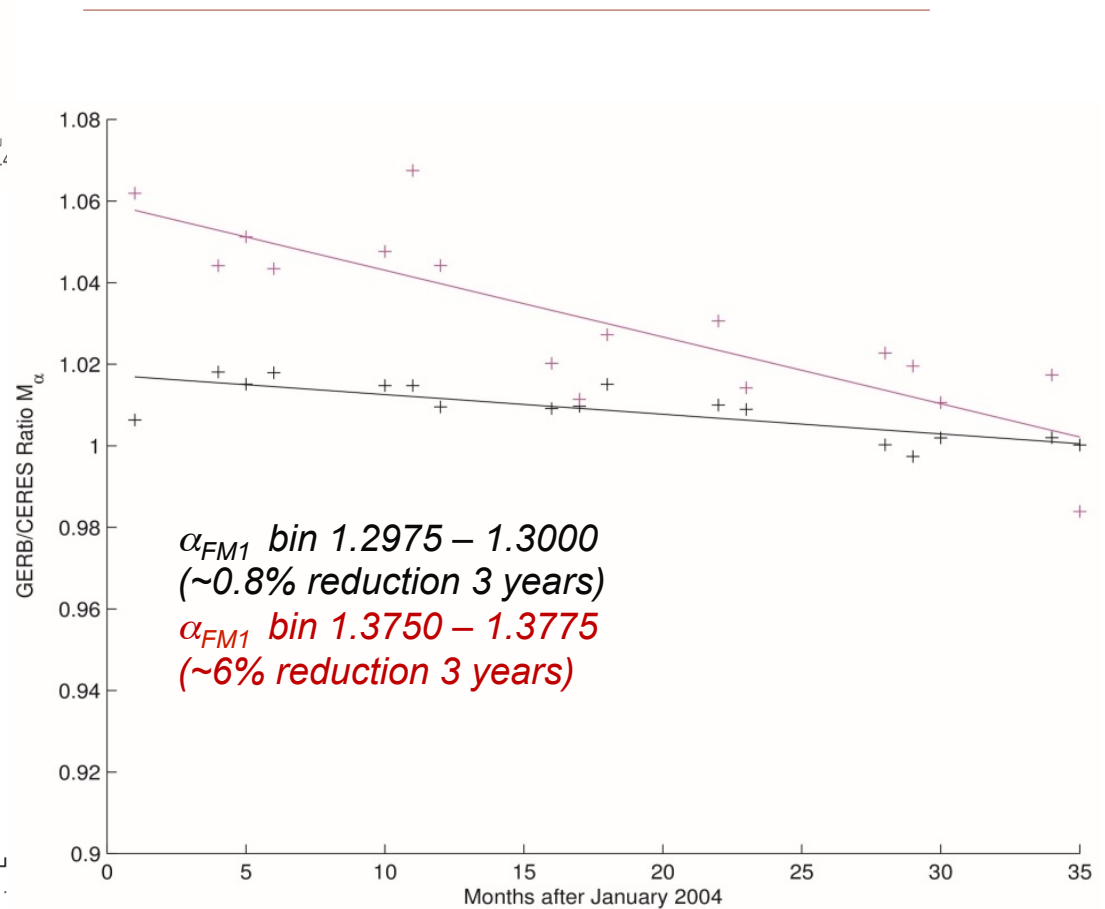
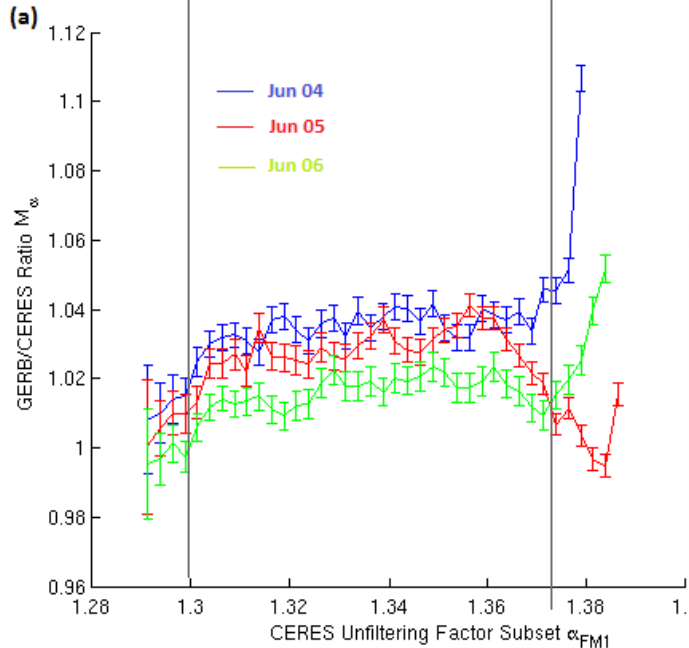
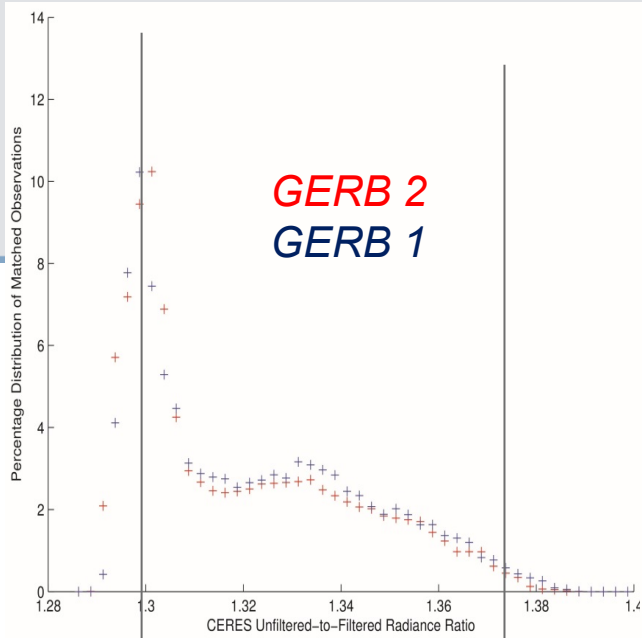


## GERB CERES comparisons

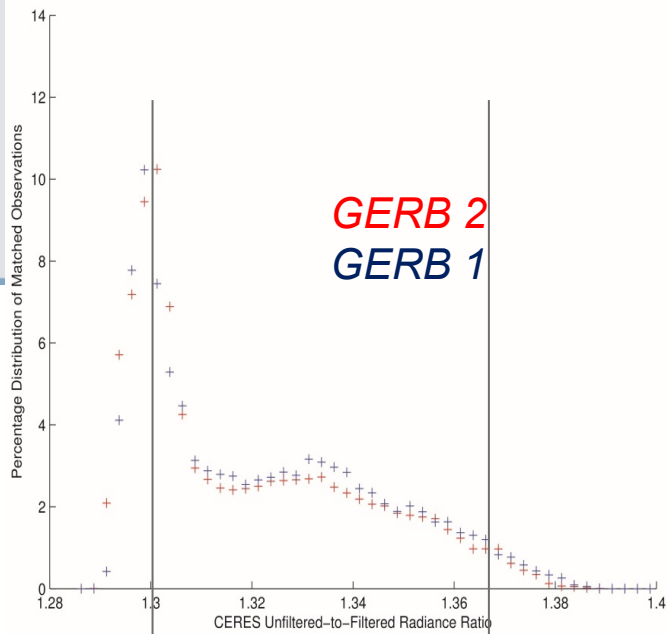
- Linear regressions or simple scene classifications could not sufficiently separate the rate of change observed leading to apparently noisy results unless further separation by geometry was made – leading to too few points.
- Using the ratio of the CERES unfiltered / filtered SW radiance as a proxy for scene colour enabled good number of points with the same spectral characteristics and same calibration changes to be grouped.
- Data from both GERB instruments over 2004 – 2012 was analysed in this way, mapping the relative calibration between CERES and GERB.
- Results shown here for FM1 CERES Ed3a and GERB Ed1 HR.



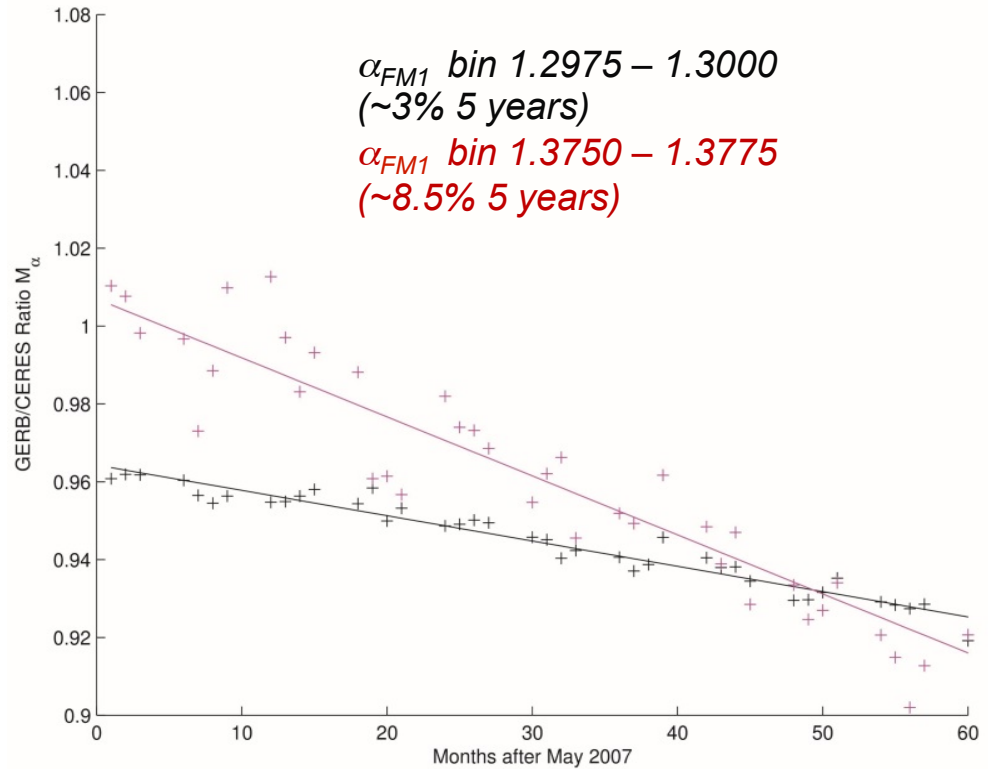
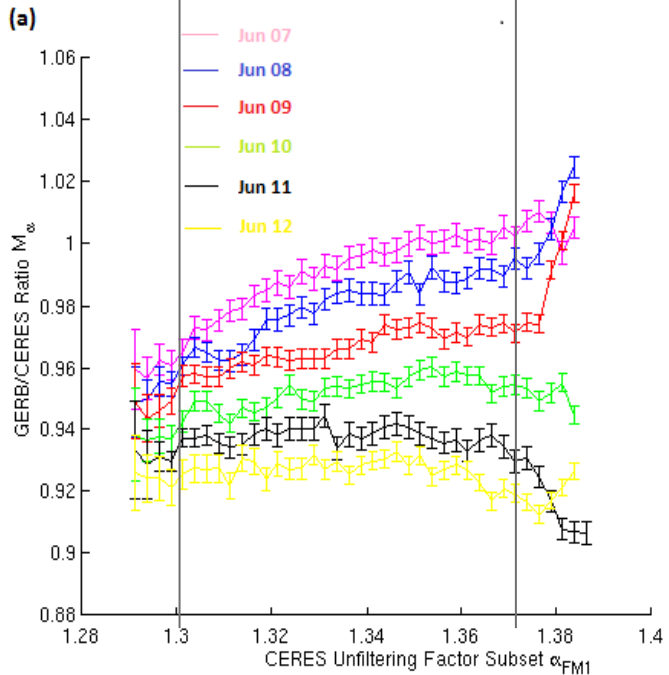
# GERB 2 / CERES FM1 SW radiance ratio evolution



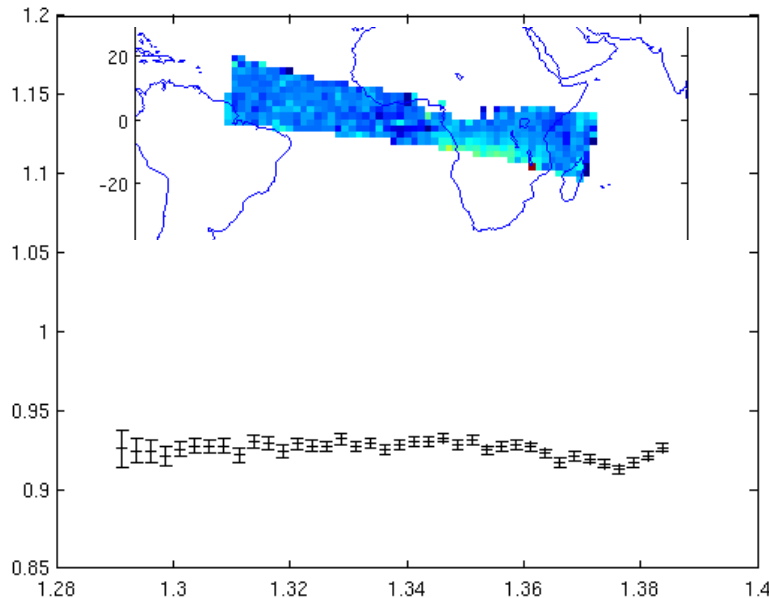
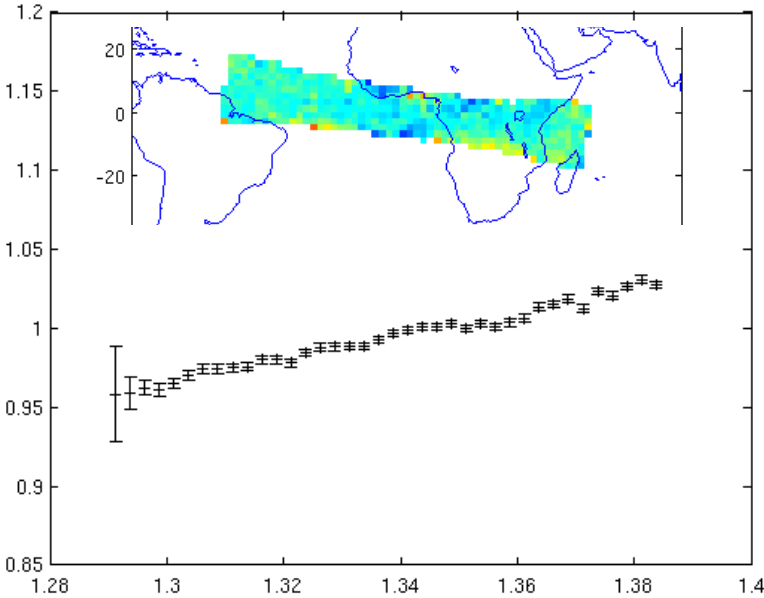
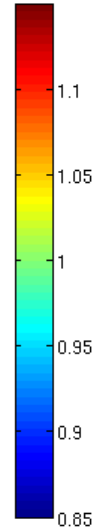
# GERB 1 / CERES FM1 SW radiance ratio evolution



*A given unfiltering factor shows roughly linear decrease in GERB/CERES SW radiance ratio with time*

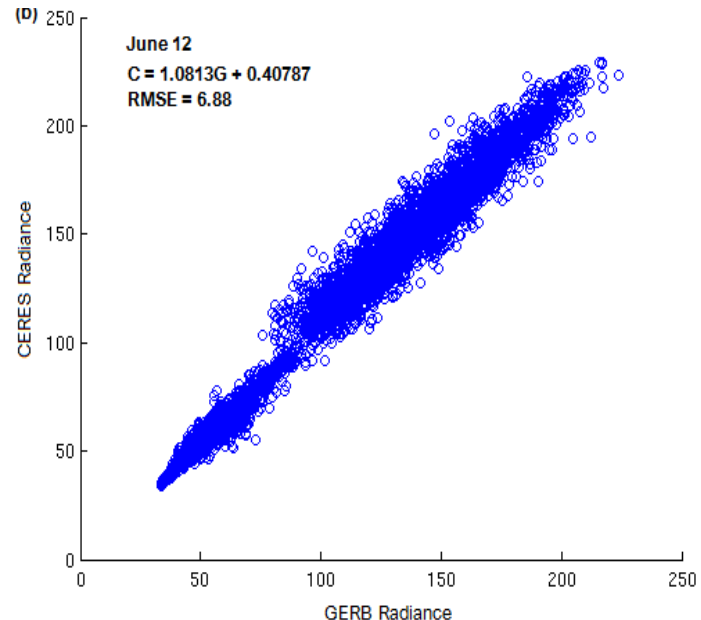
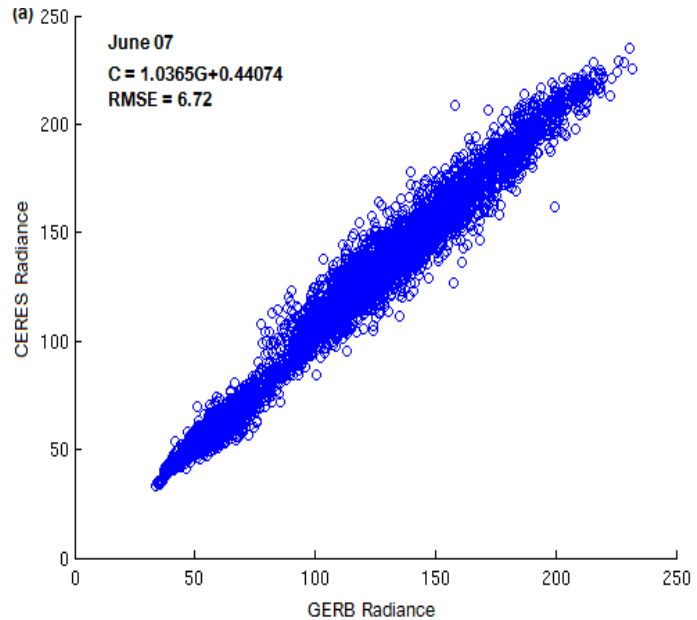


# GERB 1 / FM1 change 2007 - 2012



CERES Unfiltered / Filtered radiance ratio

CERES Unfiltered / Filtered radiance ratio





# GERB 2 / GERB 1 SW flux ratio May 2007

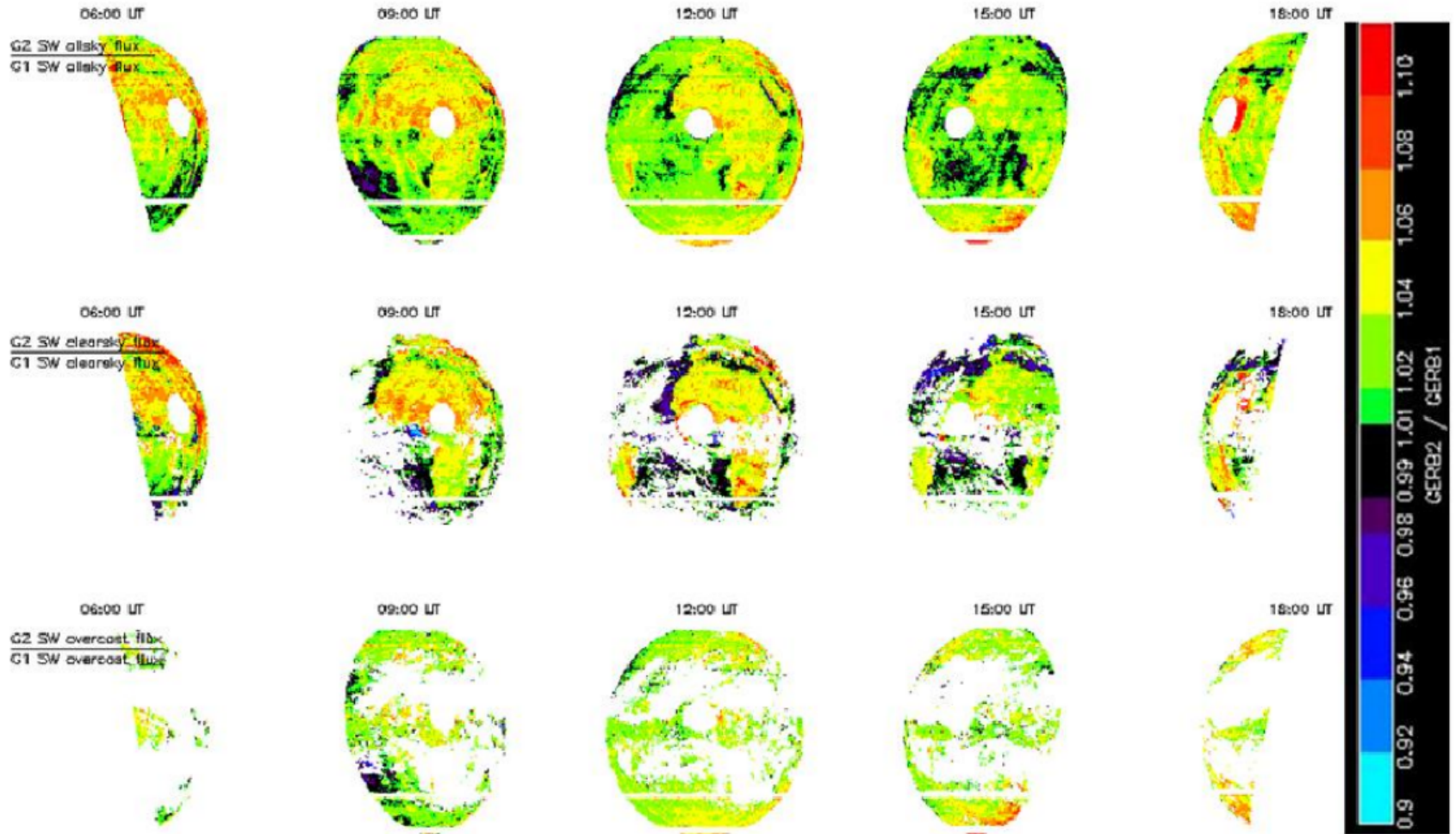
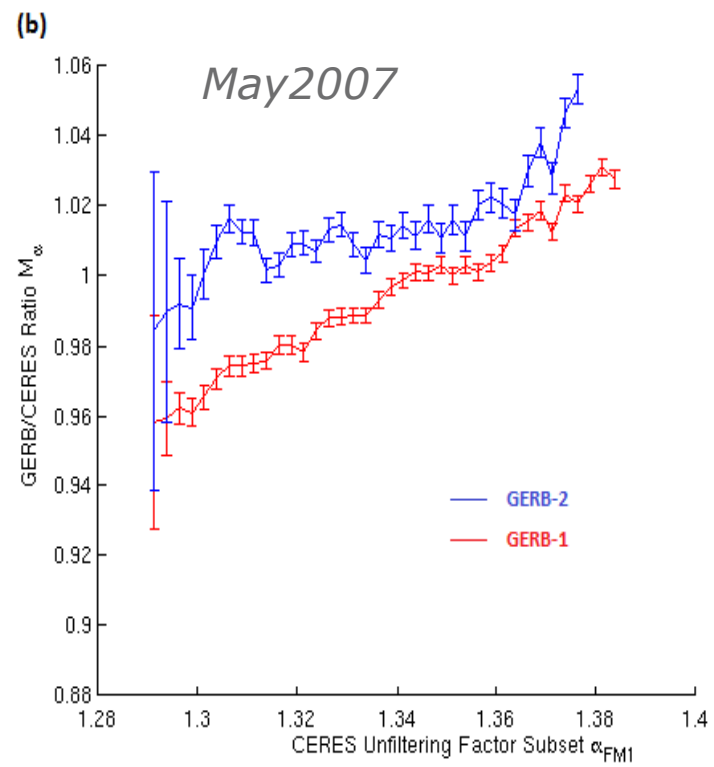
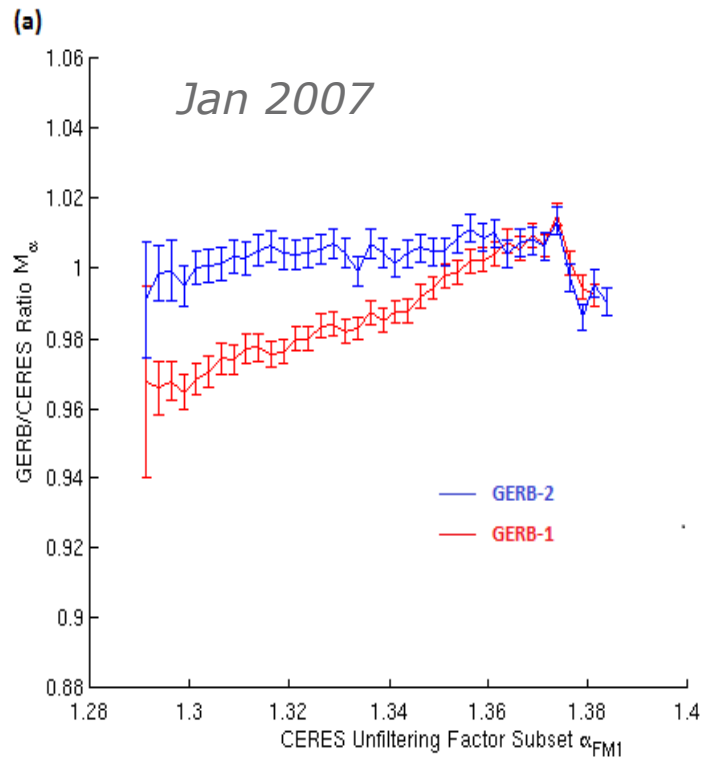
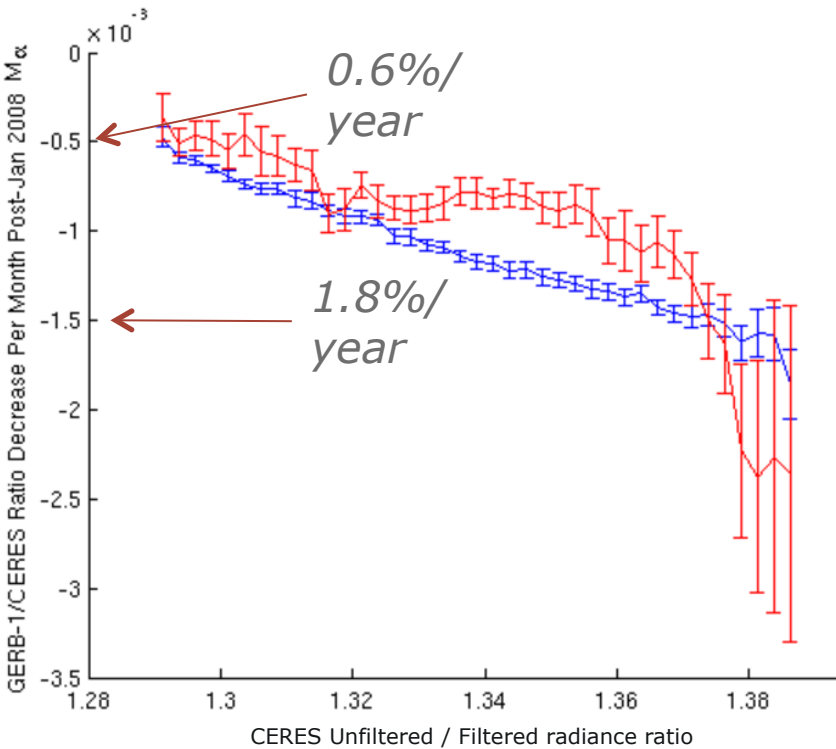
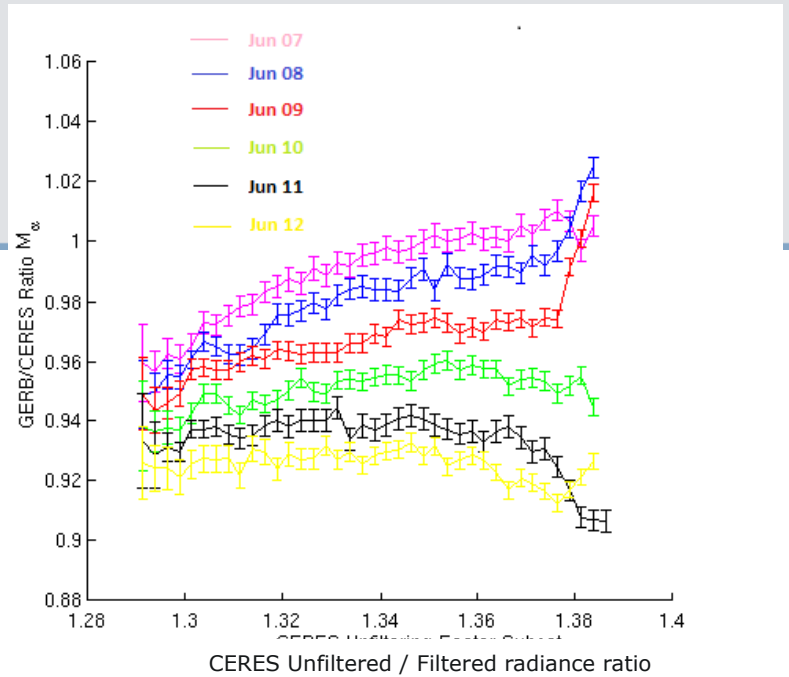


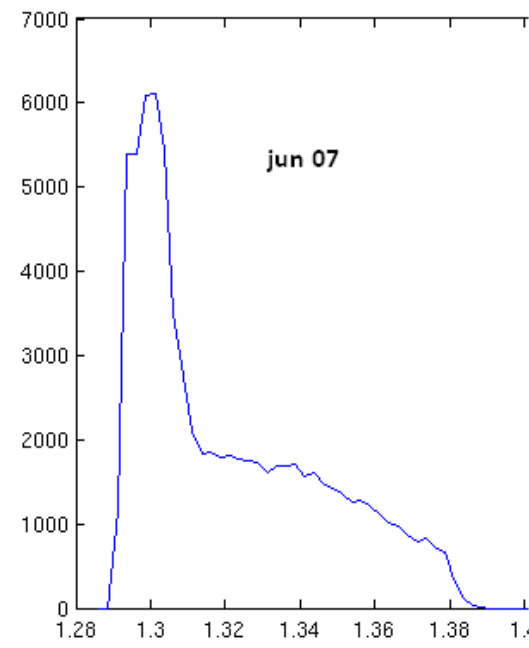
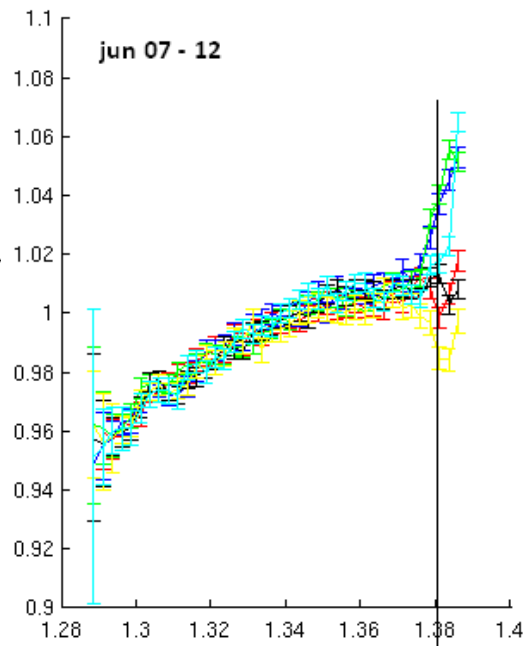
Figure 7. Shortwave G2/G1 average ratio plots for May 2007, for 5 times of day, decomposed according the GERB scene ID into allsky, clearsky and overcast.



# Calibration drift correction



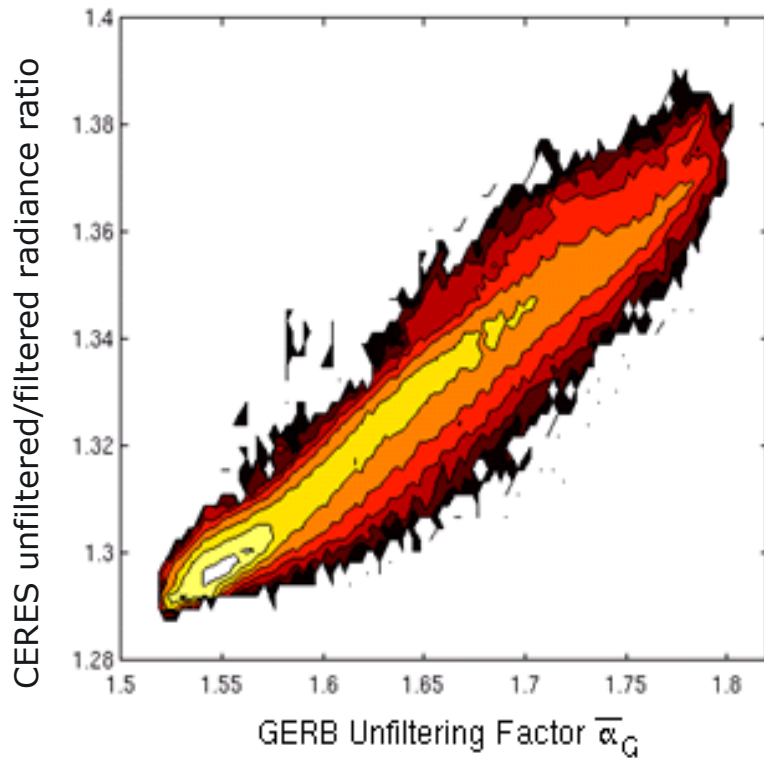
*Rate of decrease varies with unfiltering factor*



CERES Unfiltered / Filtered radiance ratio

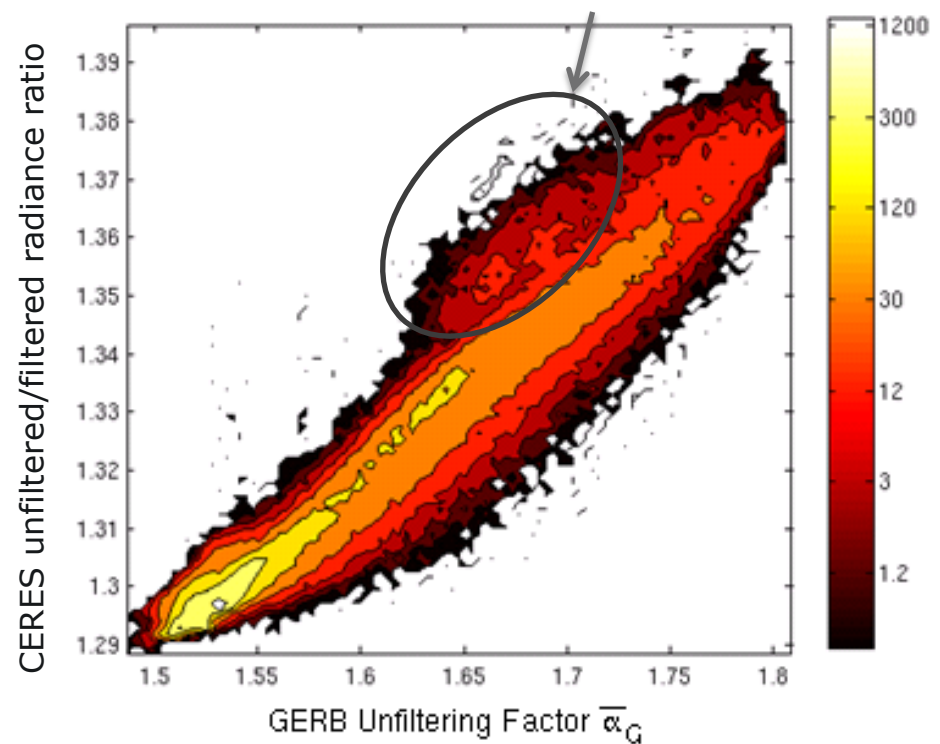
# Mapping to GERB unfiltering factor

*Anomalous scenes (VZA < 10 where there is a mix of clear ocean and cloud over the CERES footprint being matched)*



$$\alpha_{FM1} = 0.310\bar{\alpha}_G + 0.818$$

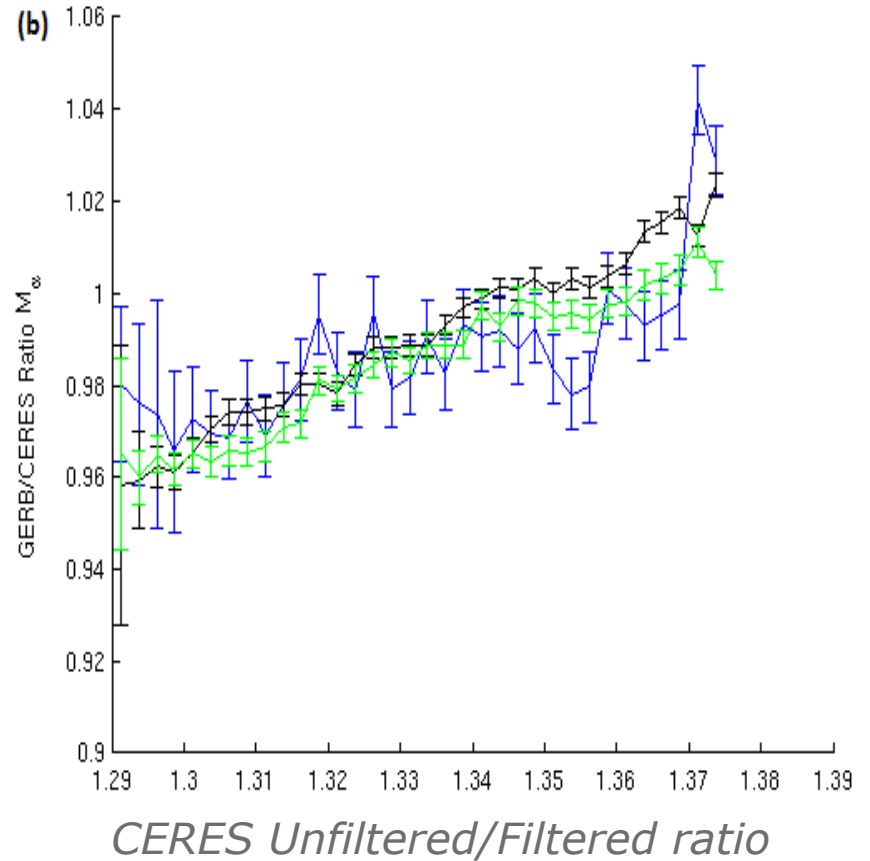
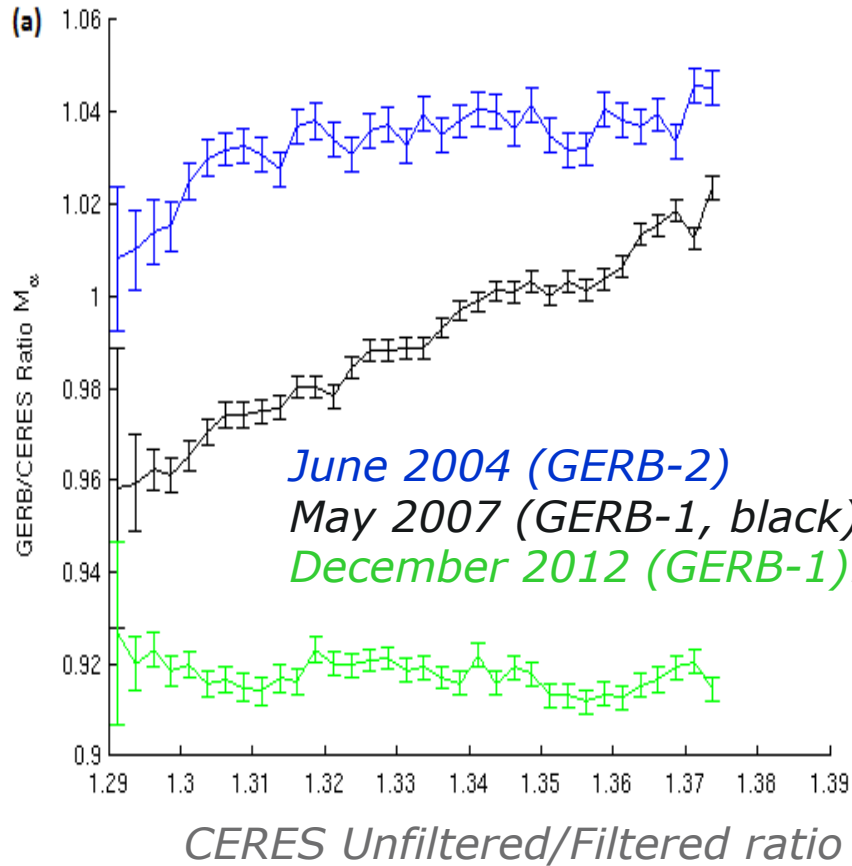
GERB 2 June & Dec 2004



$$\alpha_{FM1} = 0.290\bar{\alpha}_G + 0.855$$

GERB 1 June '07 & Dec '08 2004

# Applying correction derived from GERB unfiltering factor



## Summary

- GERB and CERES SW radiances compared as a function of the CERES unfiltered/filtered radiance ratio (proxy for spectral distribution of energy in scene).
- Calibration differences between GERB 2 and GERB 1 characterised as a function scene properties
- Evolution in relative GERB/CERES FM1 details between 2004-2012 (see poster)
- Linear decline in GERB/CERES SW radiance ratio with rate increasing for bluer scenes.
- CERES unfiltered / filtered radiance ratio mapped to GERB unfiltering factor.
- Assuming CERES a stable reference, GERB 1 and GERB 2 calibration corrected to GERB 1 SOL based on fit to GERB/CERES ratio and mapping between CERES unfiltered/filtered radiance and GERB unfiltering factor
- NEXT need to test over full diurnal range and check consistency between GERB 1 & GERB 2 when corrected in overlap
- Evaluate corrected radiances at different time points against the other metrics used to diagnose decrease in GERB SW response.