





GLM Science Team Meeting

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GOES-U Update Summary



- GOES-U
 - Environmental testing was completed
 - PSR was passed
 - Launch April 30th 2024







Stray light mitigation applied black coating to inner radius of Lens element 7 to reduce internal reflection at edge of lens

Surface located at base of gap between lens element and Lens Retainer











GOES-16



GOES-18 (expected for GOES-19)







- FM1/2 experiences saturated pixels at brightest background illumination
 - Higher than expected gain (DN per μ J/sr-m²)
 - Overshoot at high contrast boundaries
 - "First Pixel" Overshoot
- Design modifications implemented on GOES-U
 - Changed component values in video electronics to reduce gain
 - Changed CCD bias voltages to reduce overshoot
 - Unexpected impact on linearity
 - Not as severe as reported at last year's meeting



Design Change Results



Reduced Overshoot



G18 Dark-subtracted Image on 2022-12-06 21:01:00 UTC



GOES-17 vs GOES-18 (GOES-19 expectation) overshoot comparison

- GOES-U has lower threshold values and reduced overshoot/undershoot:
 - Better dynamic range under high illumination from lower thresholds
 - Consistently better DE at night
- On-orbit data showed depending on the FOV location, you get a 10-40% decrease in intensity during solar intrusion
- We expect similar on-orbit results to that of GOES-18

GOES-U is calibrated for optimal performance.