



# CHARA Classic/Climb Numbers.



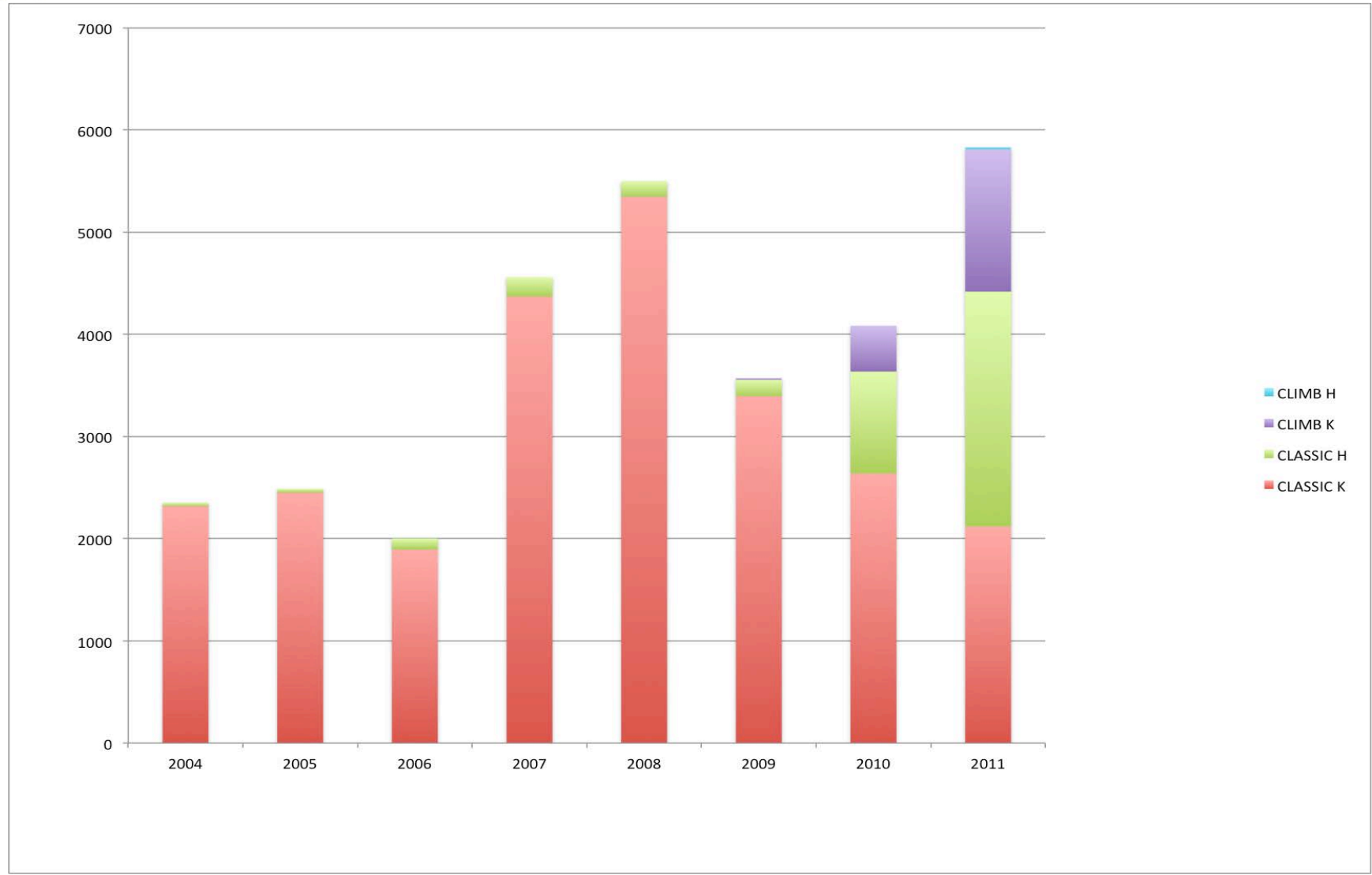


# Automated Data Reduction

- Automated editing – Fringe  $> 1.1$  Noise Power
- Took approximately 200 minutes to crunch.
- $V < 0$  and  $V > 1$  thrown away.
- Not reliable for science.
- K&H magnitudes extracted from 2MASS.
- Stars without 2MASS data thrown away.
- Includes both calibrators and science targets.



# Amount of Data



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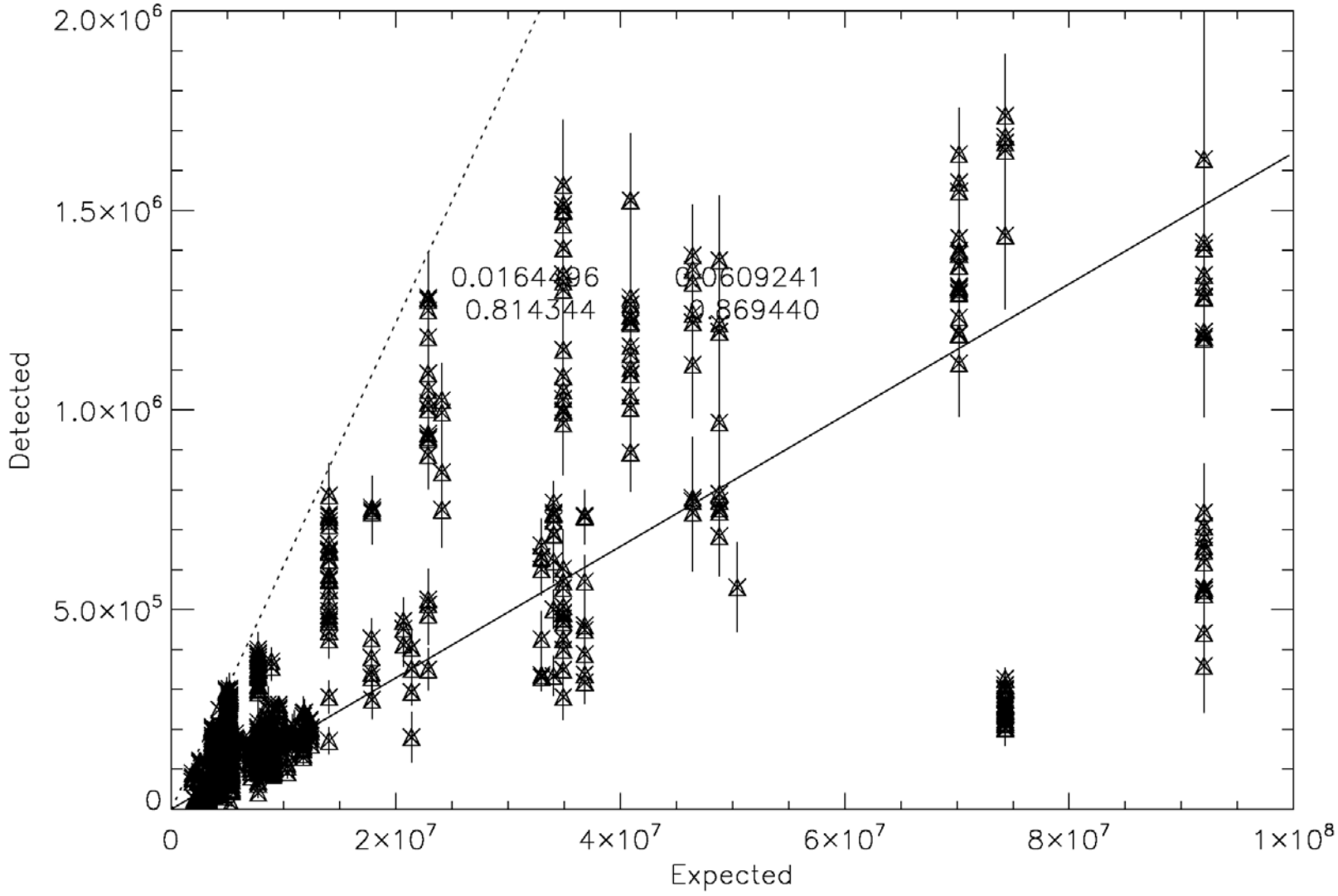


# K/H Mags are converted to a photon count.

- Uses numbers from Camping, Rieke & Lebofsky PASP **90**, 896i (1995): For Mag 0 Star:
  - J Band 1.26 micron: 1603 Jy
  - H Band 1.60 micron: 1075 Jy
  - K Band 2.22 micron: 667 Jy
- $1 \text{ Jy} = 1.51 \times 10^7 \text{ Photons S}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-2} (\text{d}\lambda/\lambda)^{-1}$
- All data are calibrated to 1 second.
- This assumes the NIRO readout mode behaves.
- Camera Gain = 0.3, DQE = 60%.



classic K 2008 October



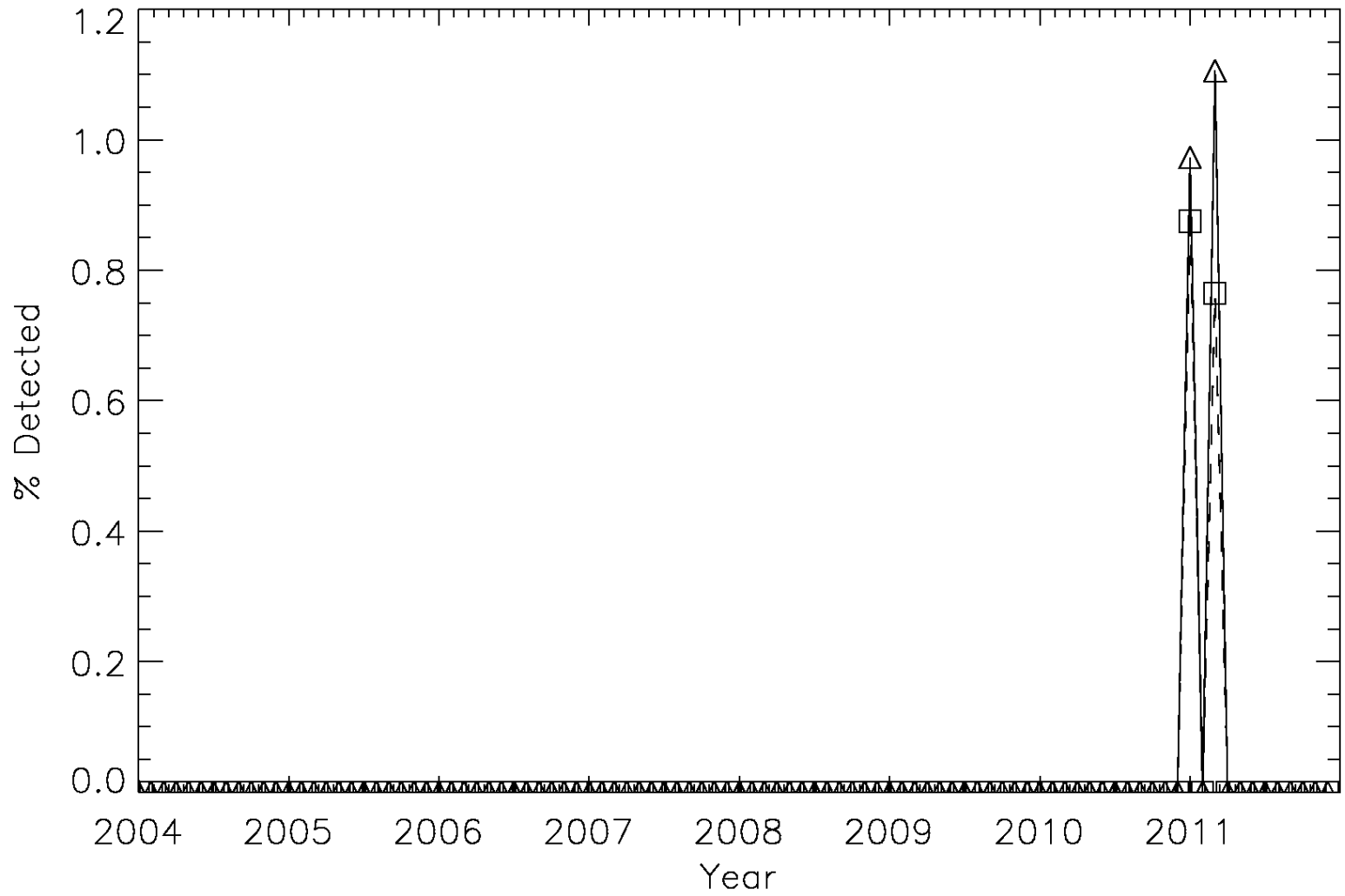
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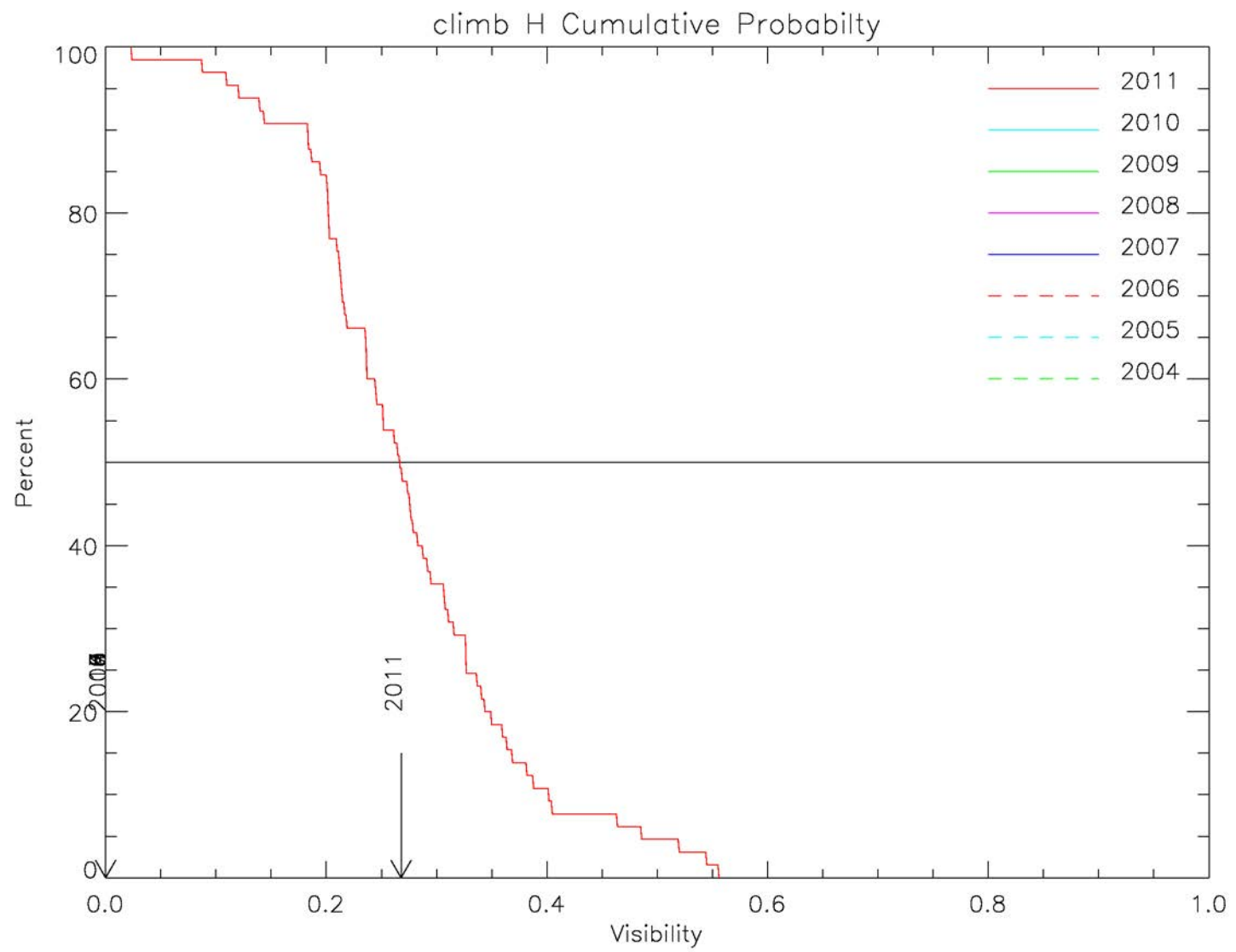
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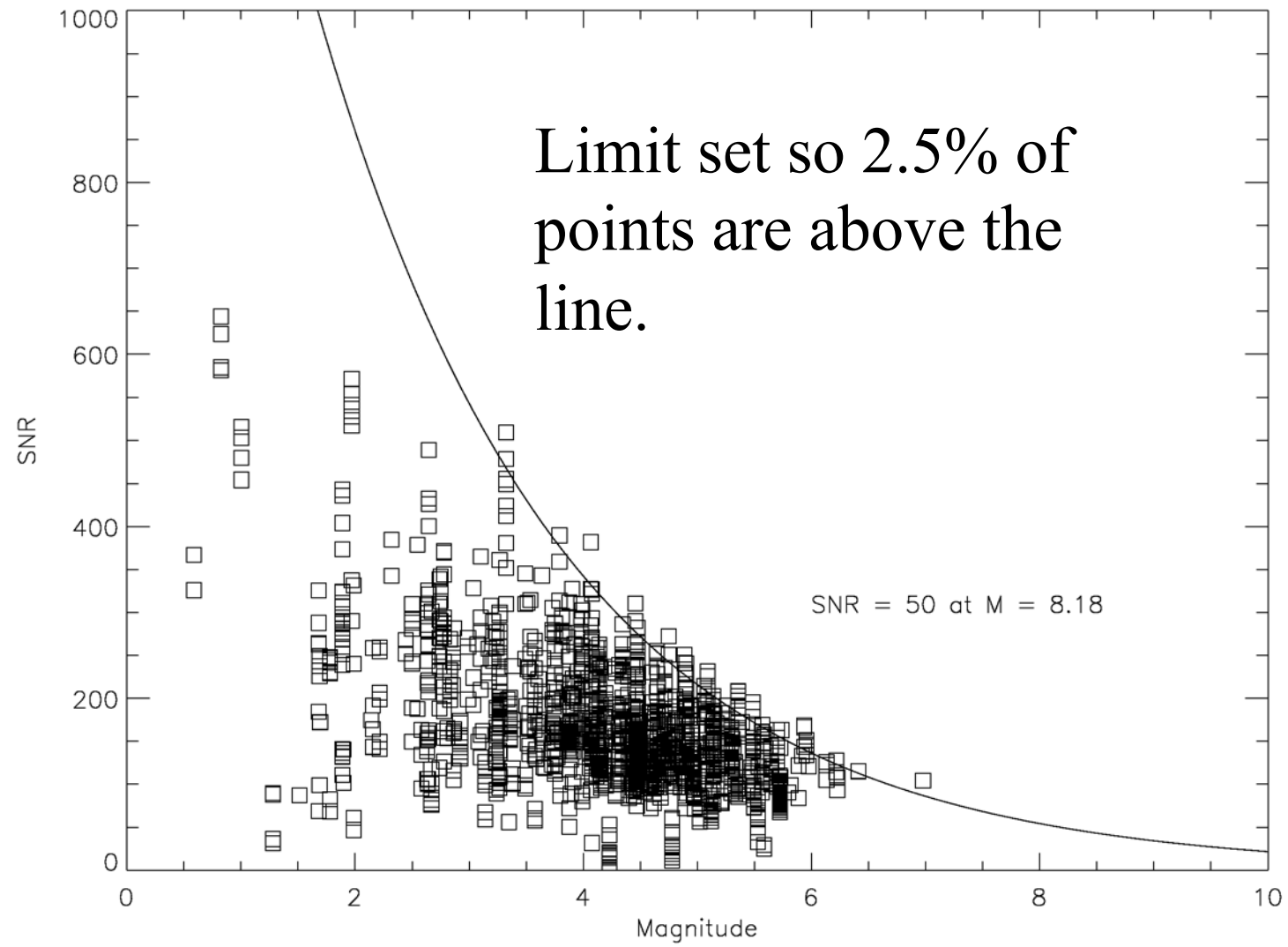


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$$\text{SNR} \sim V * \text{sqrt}(N)$$

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### Magnitude for SNR=50



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# New Baseline Solution

- The system records the OPLE demand positions and current scope Alt/Az when fringes are found.
- This is now automated for all beam combiners.
- 31699 baseline solution data points were recorded.
- The demand position is better for modeling than the measured position.
- The height of a scope is degenerate with its internal path.
- We use a different internal path for each POP configuration to solve for telescope positions.
- We then do a separate solution for internal path.



# CHARA Collaboration Year-Eight Science Review

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-5  
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	#	For telescope	value	stddev	delta (total delta
		S1:			0.000)
	XOFFSET		0.000	0.000	0.000
	YOFFSET		0.000	0.000	0.000
	ZOFFSET		0.000	0.000	0.000
	LIGHT		0.000	0.000	0.000
	#	For telescope			S2: value stddev delta (total delta 3060.526)
	XOFFSET		-5747637.548	44.564	1016.041
	YOFFSET		33580104.206	67.442	48.828
	ZOFFSET		637531.263	117.932	-2886.537
	LIGHT		4095442.423	839.398	6779.591
	#	For telescope			E1: value stddev delta (total delta 942.329)
	XOFFSET		125334244.254	31.598	-551.286
	YOFFSET		305933013.215	47.664	-745.842
	ZOFFSET		-5909006.219	80.913	166.693
	LIGHT		11259858.369	684.971	-3591.416
	#	For telescope			E2: value stddev delta (total delta 1204.619)
	XOFFSET		70396362.110	46.729	-331.637
	YOFFSET		269714400.028	54.623	-513.425
	ZOFFSET		-2797738.552	102.564	-1038.036
	LIGHT		22697645.383	799.156	-2488.115
	#	For telescope			W1: value stddev delta (total delta 2275.876)
	XOFFSET		-175073120.219	39.053	713.525
	YOFFSET		216321086.470	44.869	-2142.241
	ZOFFSET		-10790791.538	85.156	285.127
	LIGHT		27288923.917	647.980	-2364.878
	#	For telescope			W2: value stddev delta (total delta 1475.716)
	XOFFSET		-69093010.726	40.184	181.981
	YOFFSET		199335211.518	47.672	-1364.519
	ZOFFSET		467094.485	90.817	-531.704
	LIGHT		-10867459.137	836.655	-2401.186



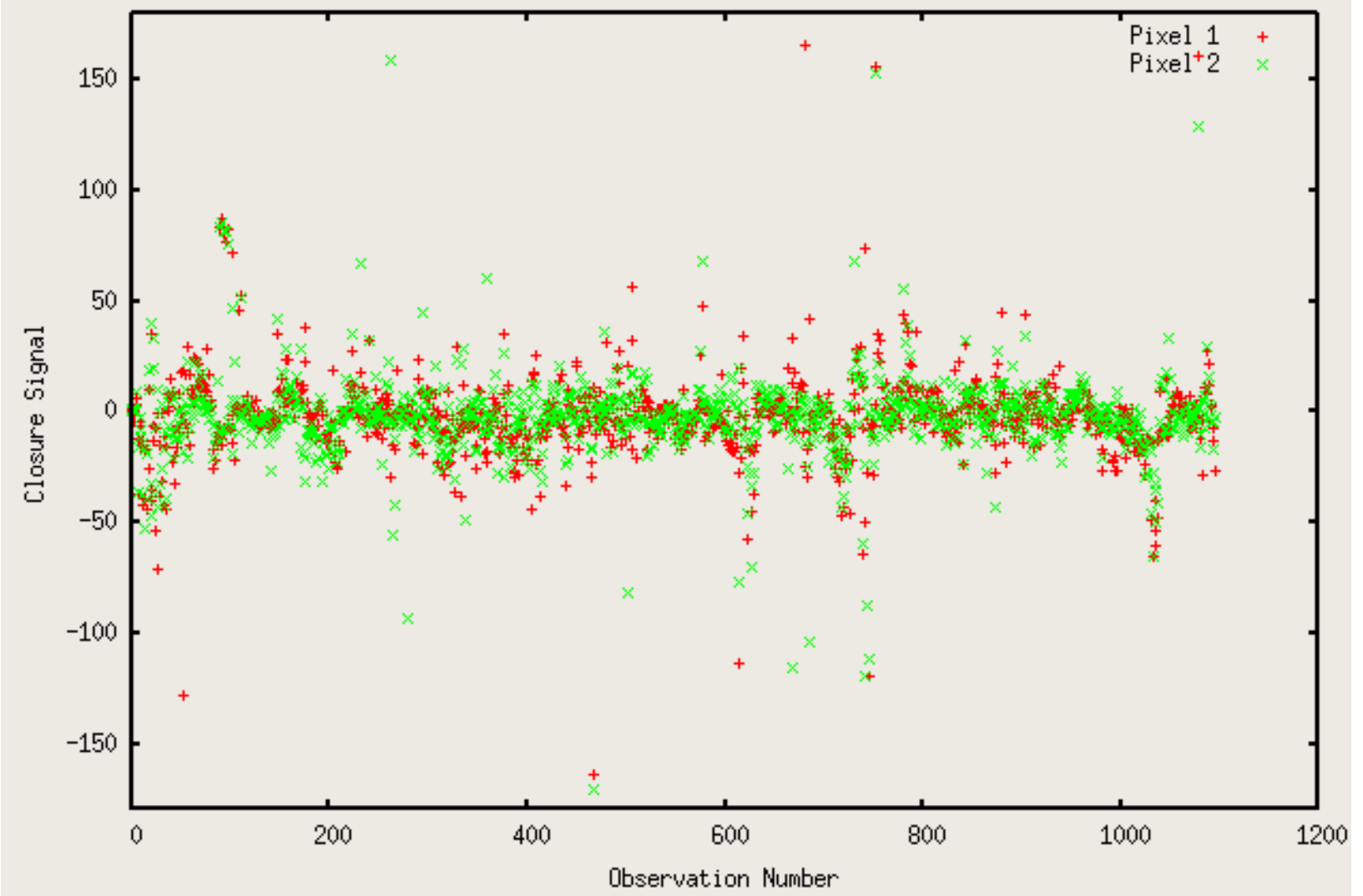
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All CLIMB observations for 2011



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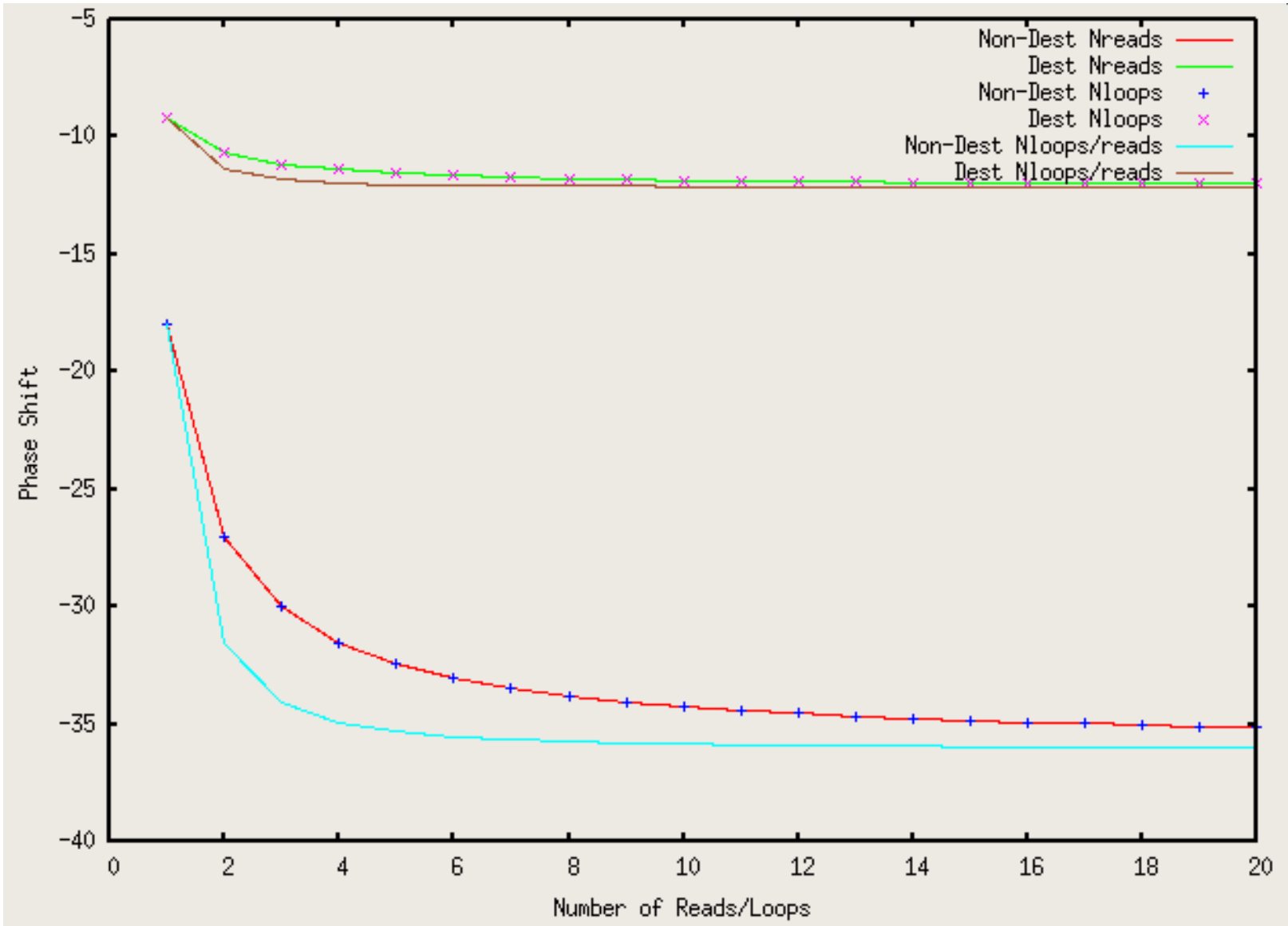
# NIRO Readout Methods

$$\Delta C(\omega_i) = g \int_{\omega_{\text{Reset}}}^{\omega_i} f(\omega) d\omega$$

$$f(\omega) = 1 \pm V \cos(\omega + \phi)$$

$$\Delta C(\omega_i) = g [\omega_i - \omega_{\text{Reset}} \pm V (\sin(\omega_i + \phi) - \sin(\omega_{\text{Reset}} + \phi))] ]$$

1. The output of a single read is an integration of intensity from the time of the last reset to the time of the read.
2. This makes it relatively simple to model NIRO readout modes.
3. We have historically thought that more “loops” would result in less phase error. It turns out that this is not true.....
4. Yes, I know. I should have done this analysis a long time ago ;-)



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# Conclusions

- We may be reaching the physical limits of sensitivity (9<sup>th</sup> magnitude) short of adding the full AO system.
- CLIMB performance, as expected, is almost as good as CLASSIC, with CLASSIC going a little fainter.
- The baseline solution seems to be under control.
- CLIMB is becoming quite popular.
- CLIMB closure phase is working.
- NIRO readout modes are better understood: Non-destructive reads, and looping, do not improve camera performance in any way.



# CHARA Rocks!

