

1D semi-empirical model

Chromosphere above sunspot umbra

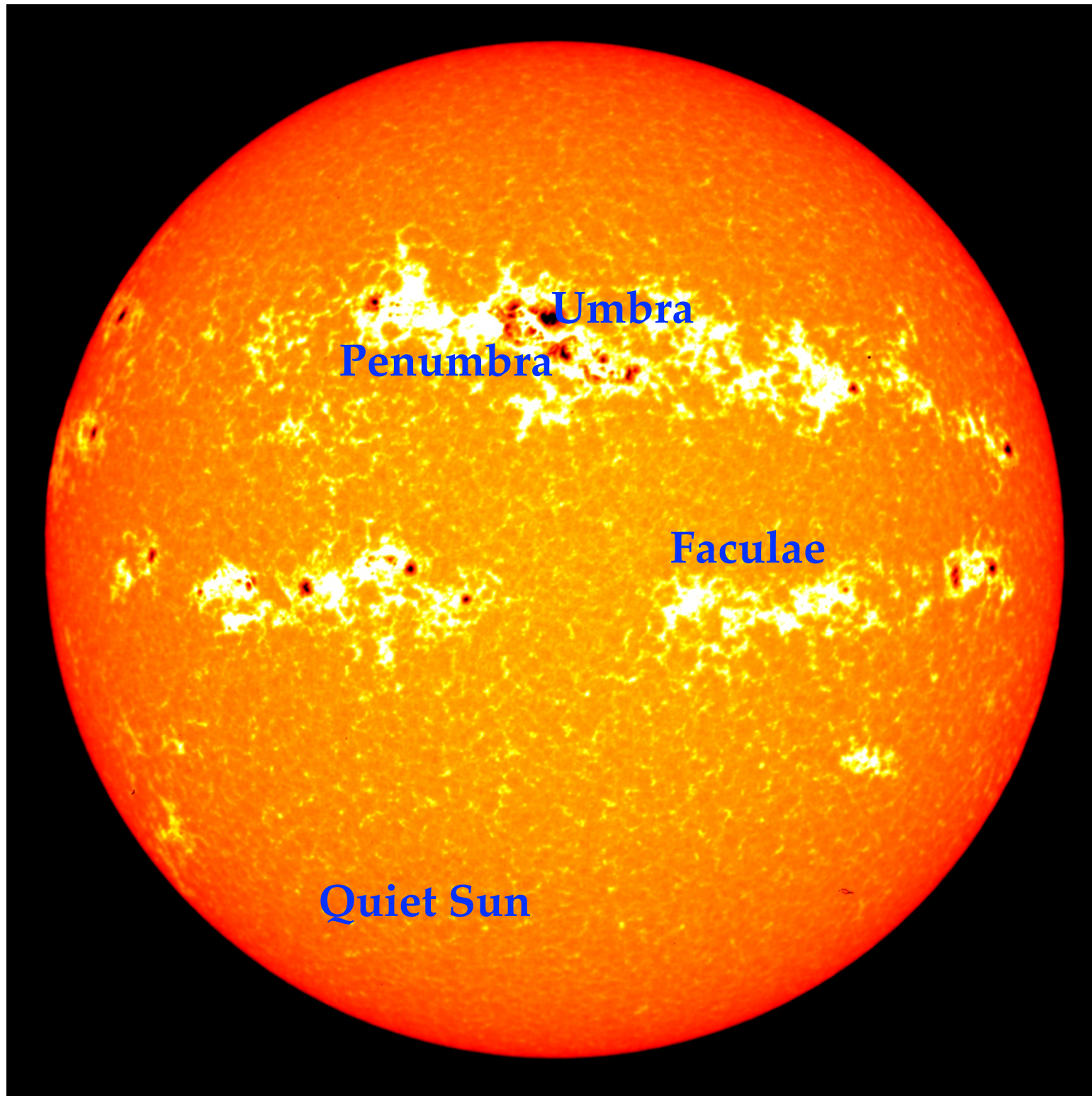
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Modelling of solar irradiance variability



Decompose the solar disk into different features

Compute spectra in non-LTE using 1D models

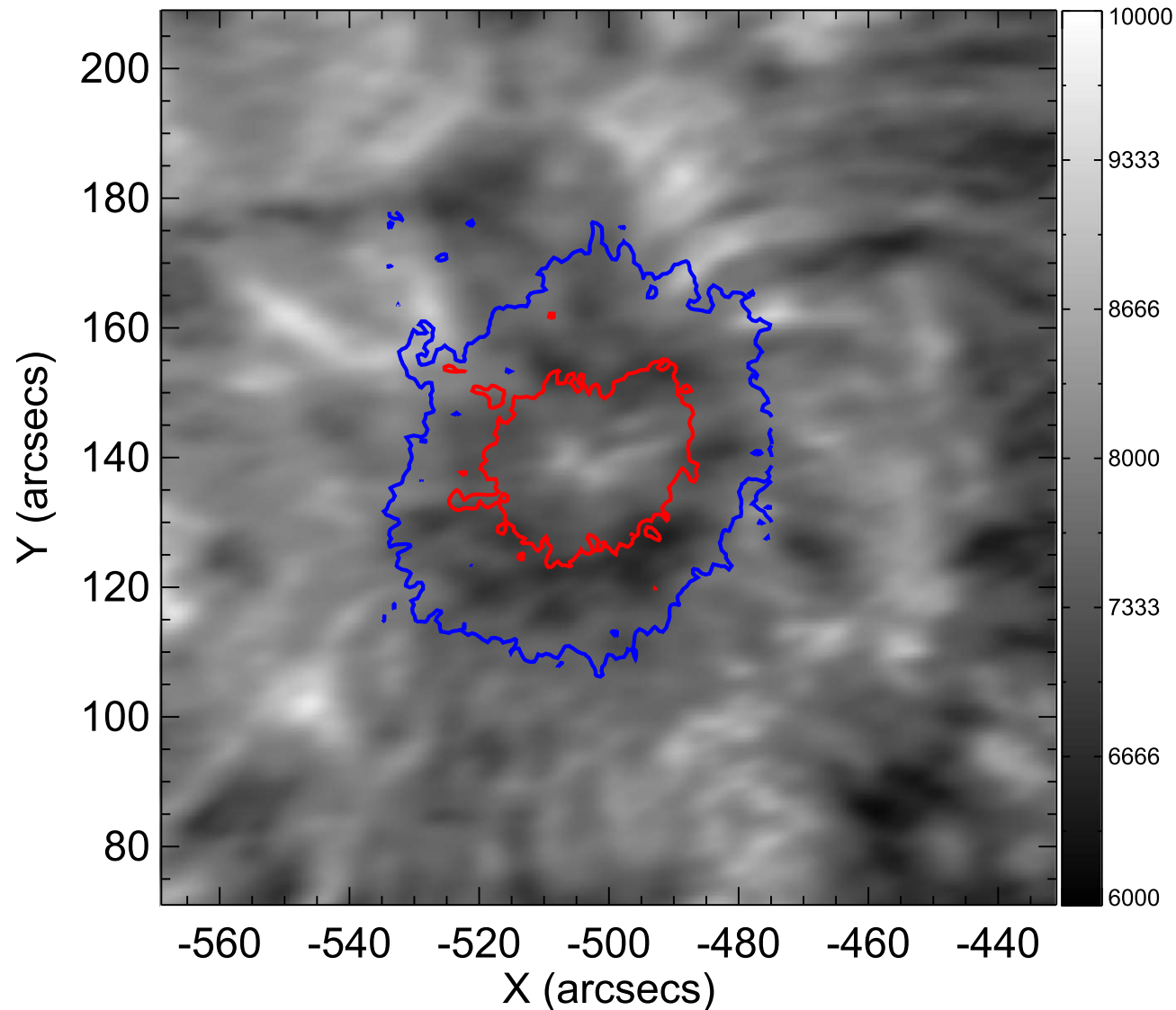
Umbral and penumbral models lack chromosphere

Concern for the far UV and strong spectral lines

From Atacama Large Millimeter/sub-millimeter Array (ALMA)

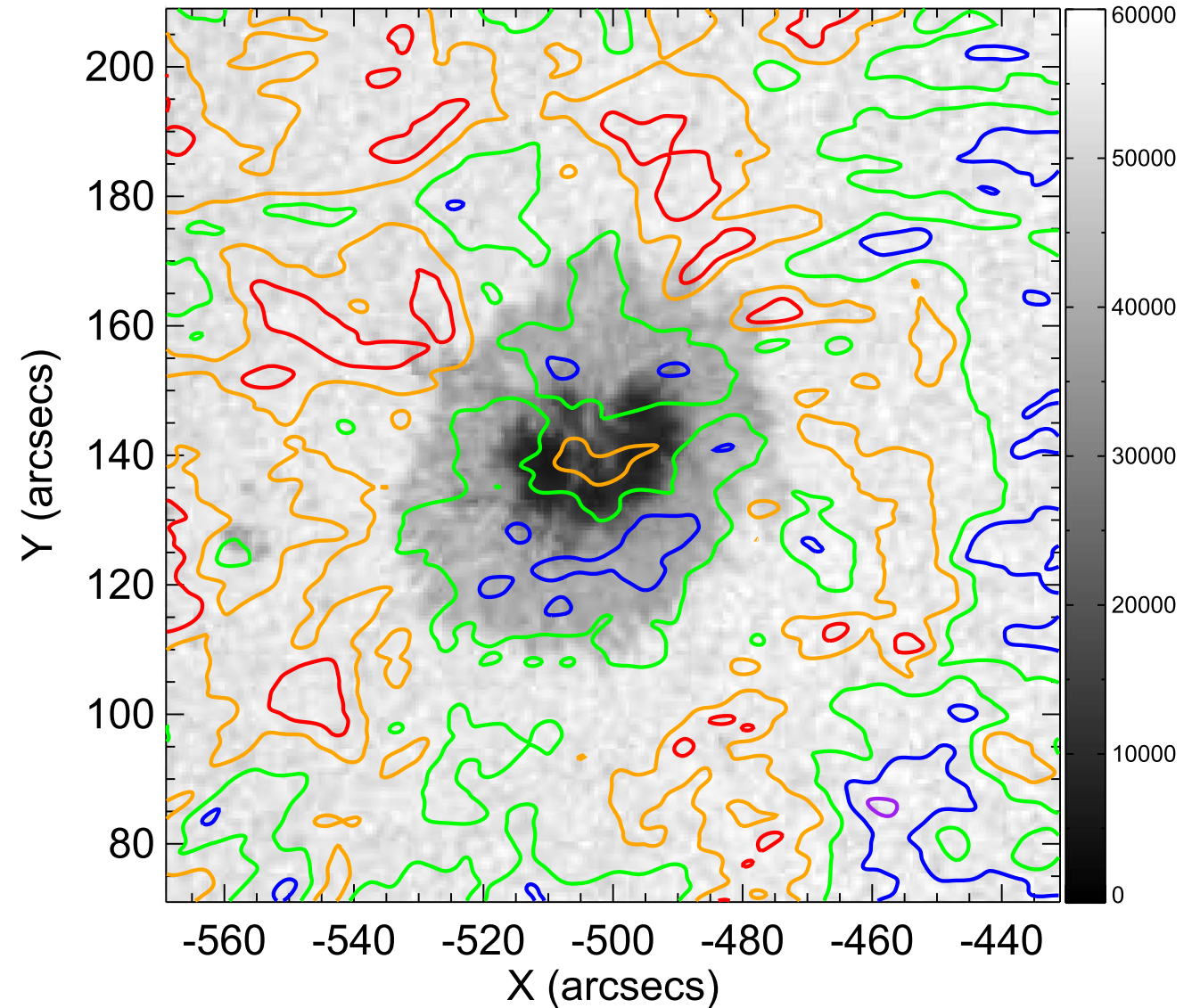
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ALMA/100GHz 16-Dec-2015 18:32 UT



ALMA 3 mm

SDO/HMI cont 16-Dec-2015 18:32 UT

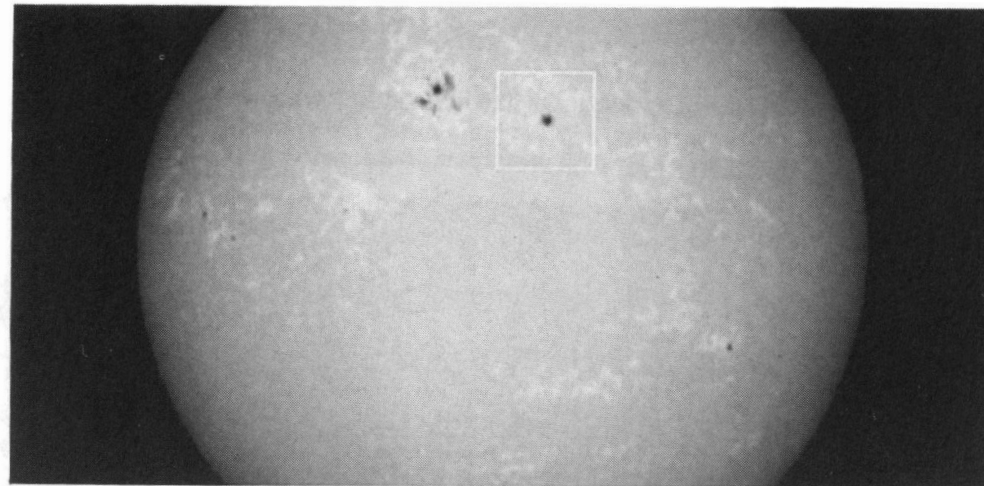


HMI continuum

From James Clerk Maxwell Telescope (JCMT)

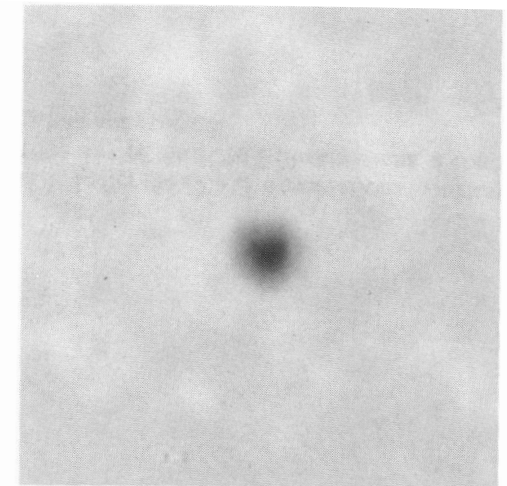
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K-Line



c

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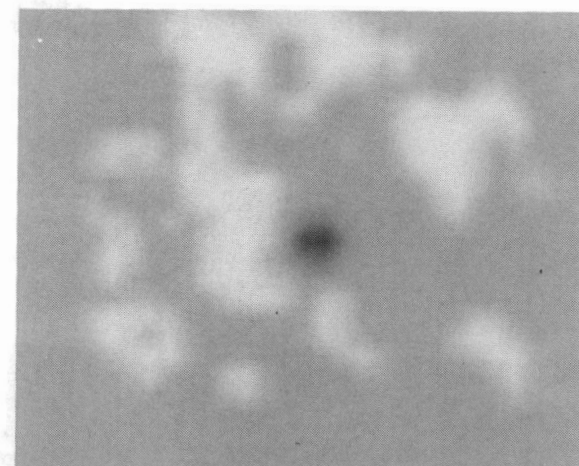
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0.35 mm →

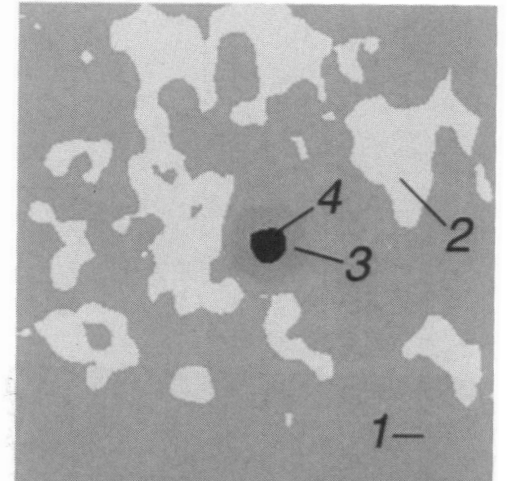
$350\mu m$



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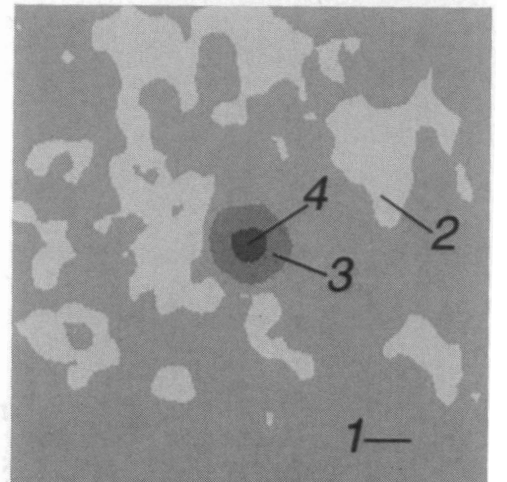
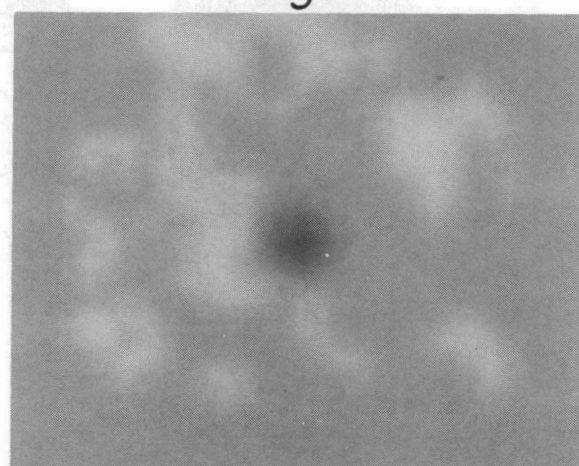
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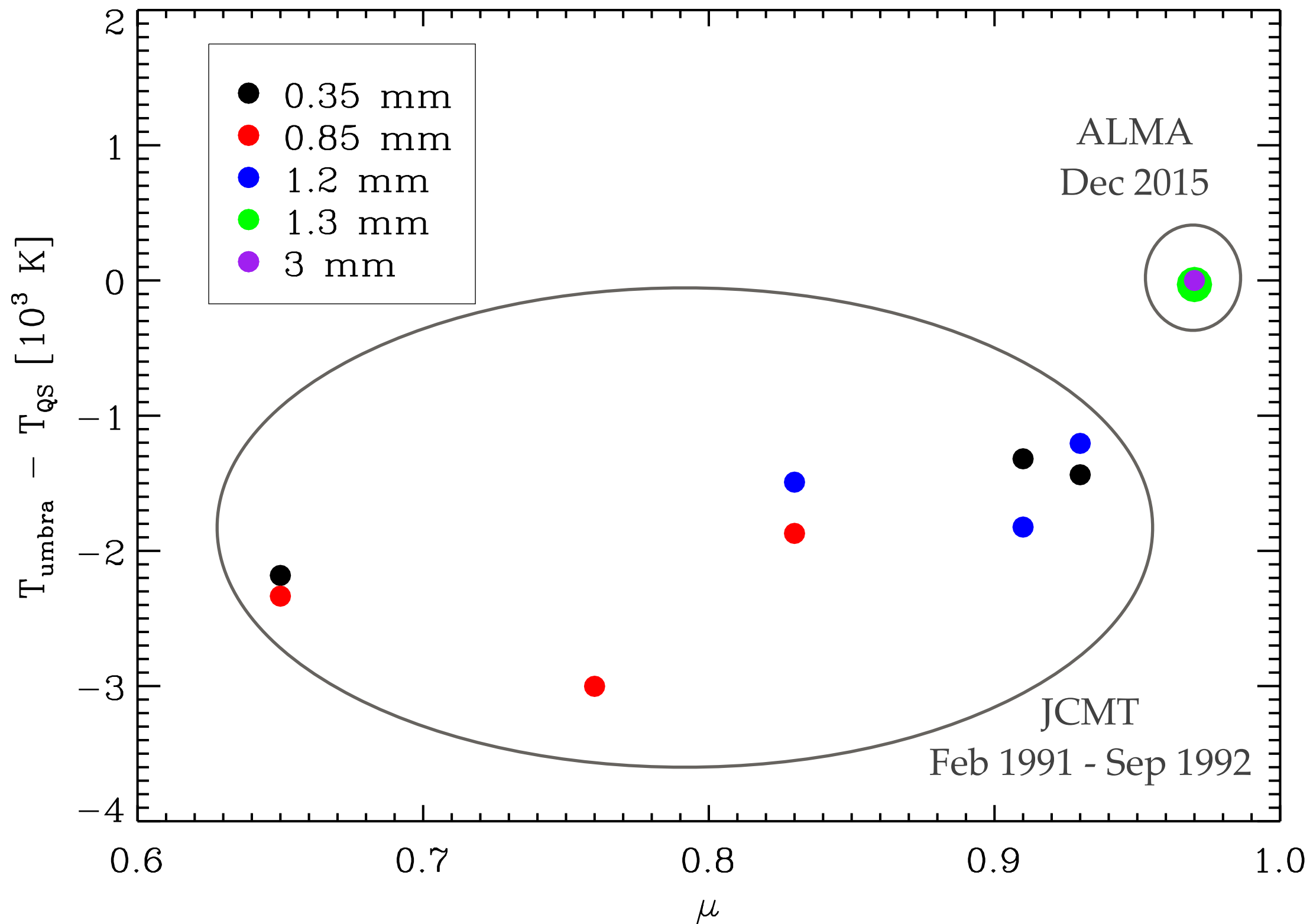
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1.2 mm →

$1200\mu m$



Observations in mm/sub-mm



Radiative transfer code

Non-LTE Spectral SYnthesis (NESSY)

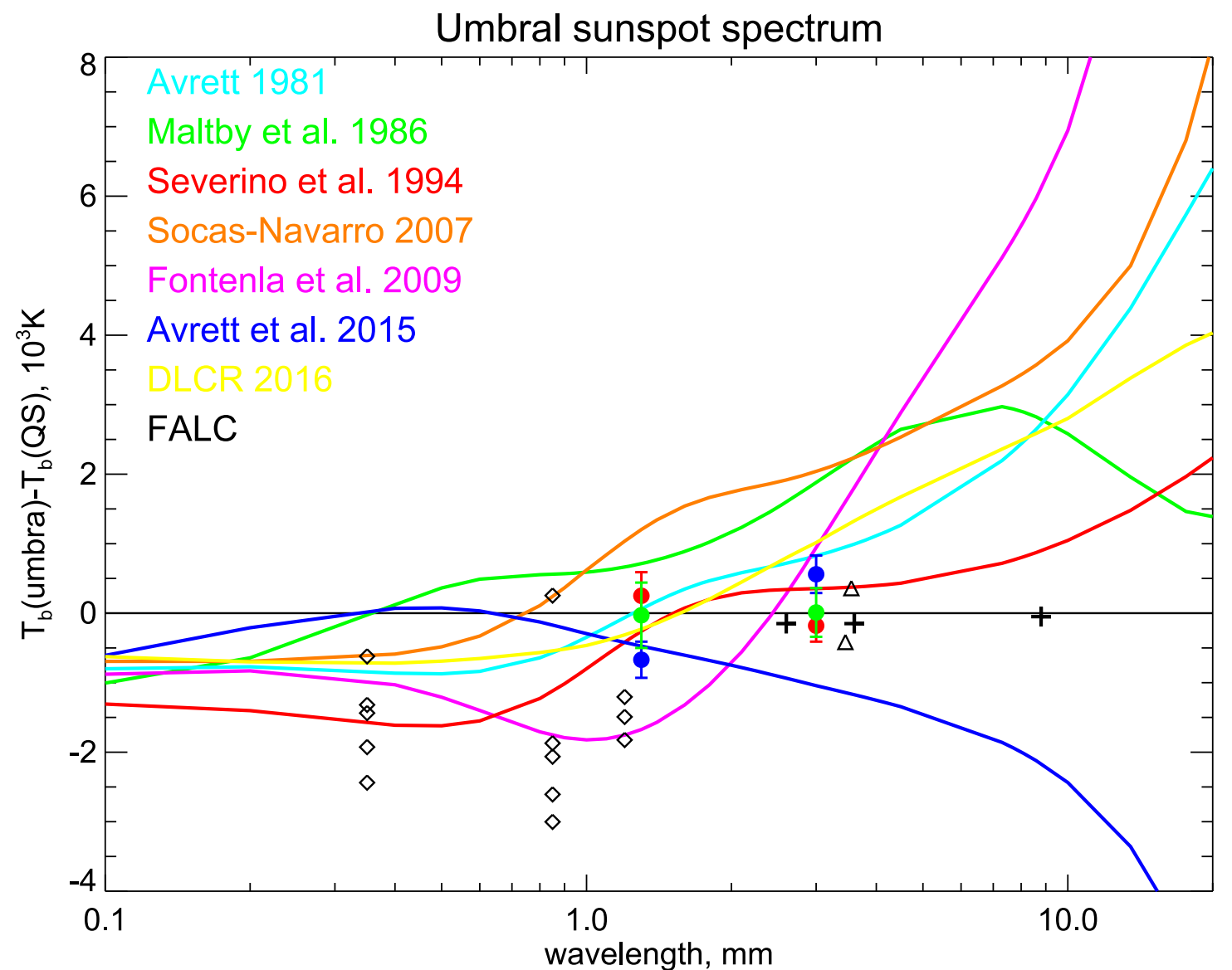
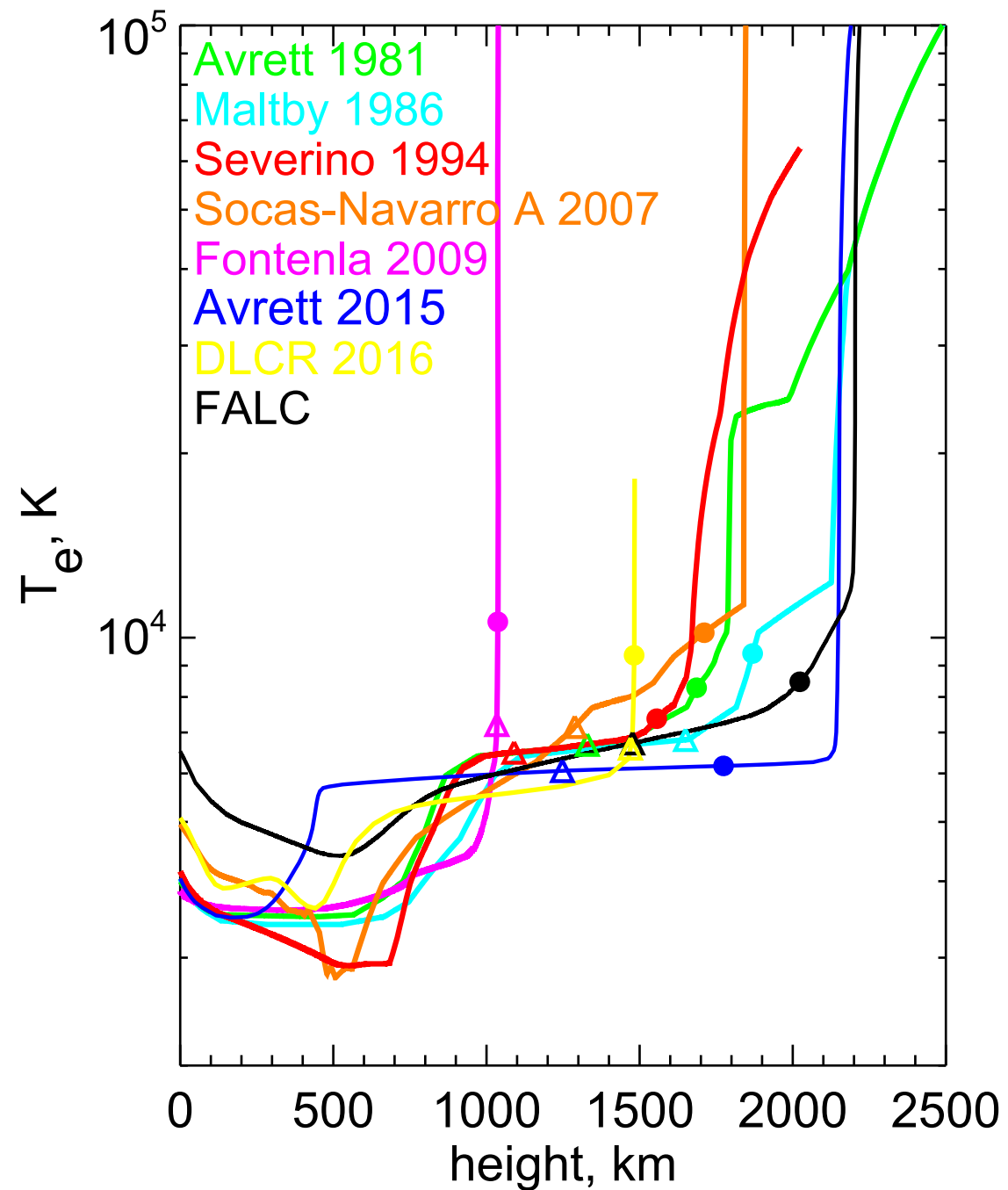
- ❖ Solves the 1D spherically symmetric non-LTE radiative transfer equation for a given temperature and density stratification
- ❖ Population equations are solved simultaneously with the radiative transfer equation for elements from hydrogen to zinc
- ❖ Performs spectral synthesis taking into account millions of spectral lines

Model atmospheres

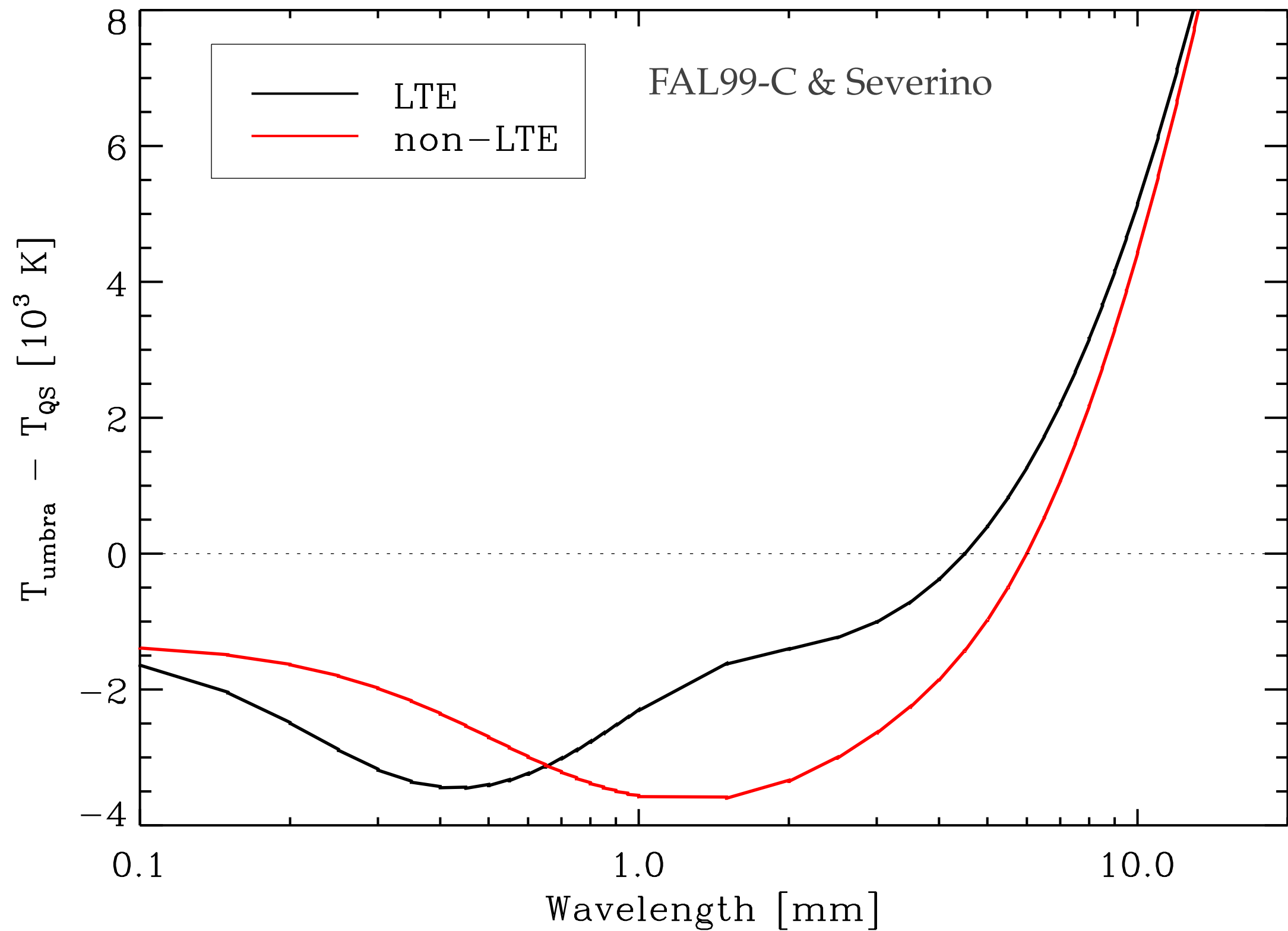
Quiet Sun spectrum: FAL99-C

Umbral spectrum: Severino

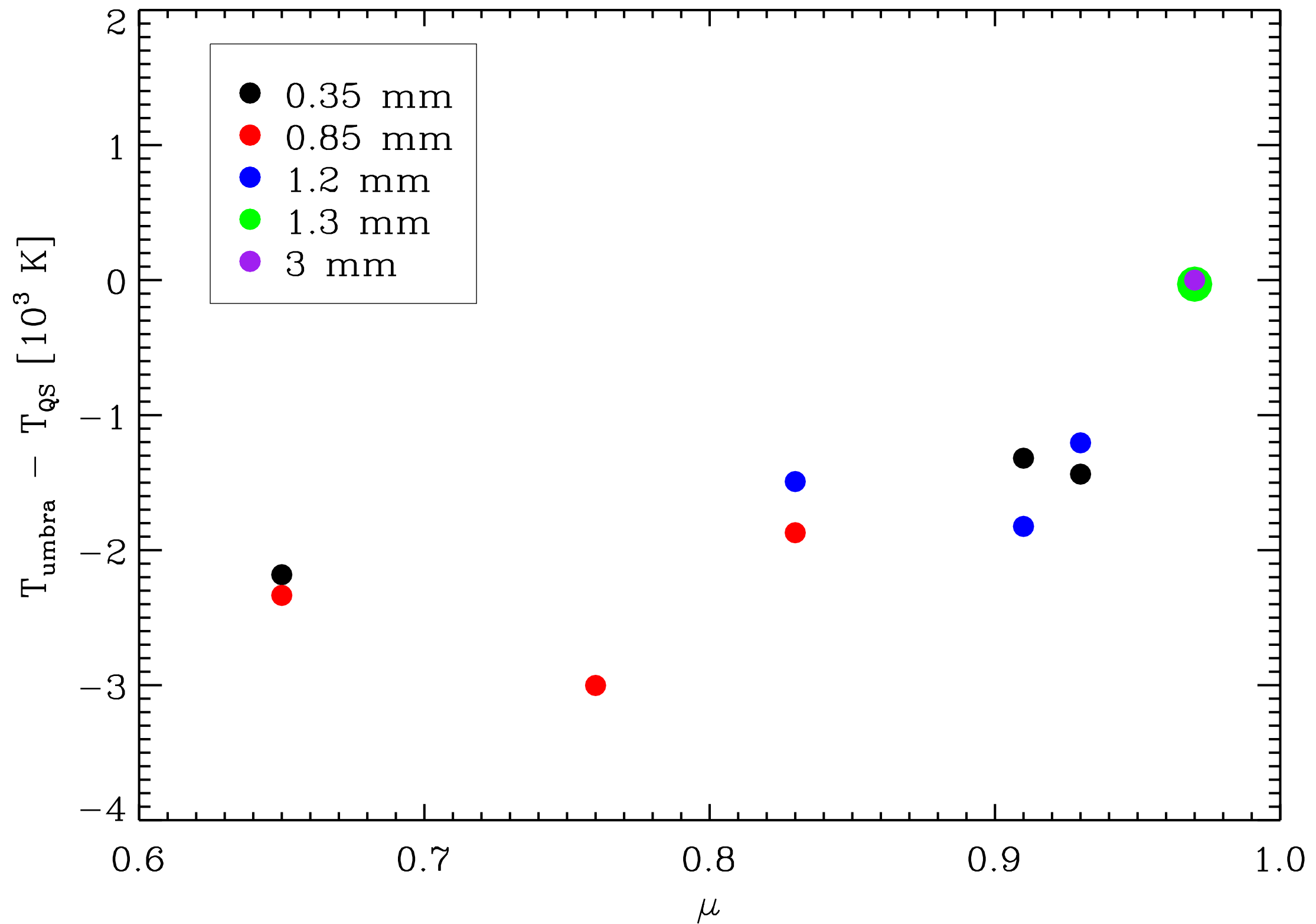
Umbral models - an overview



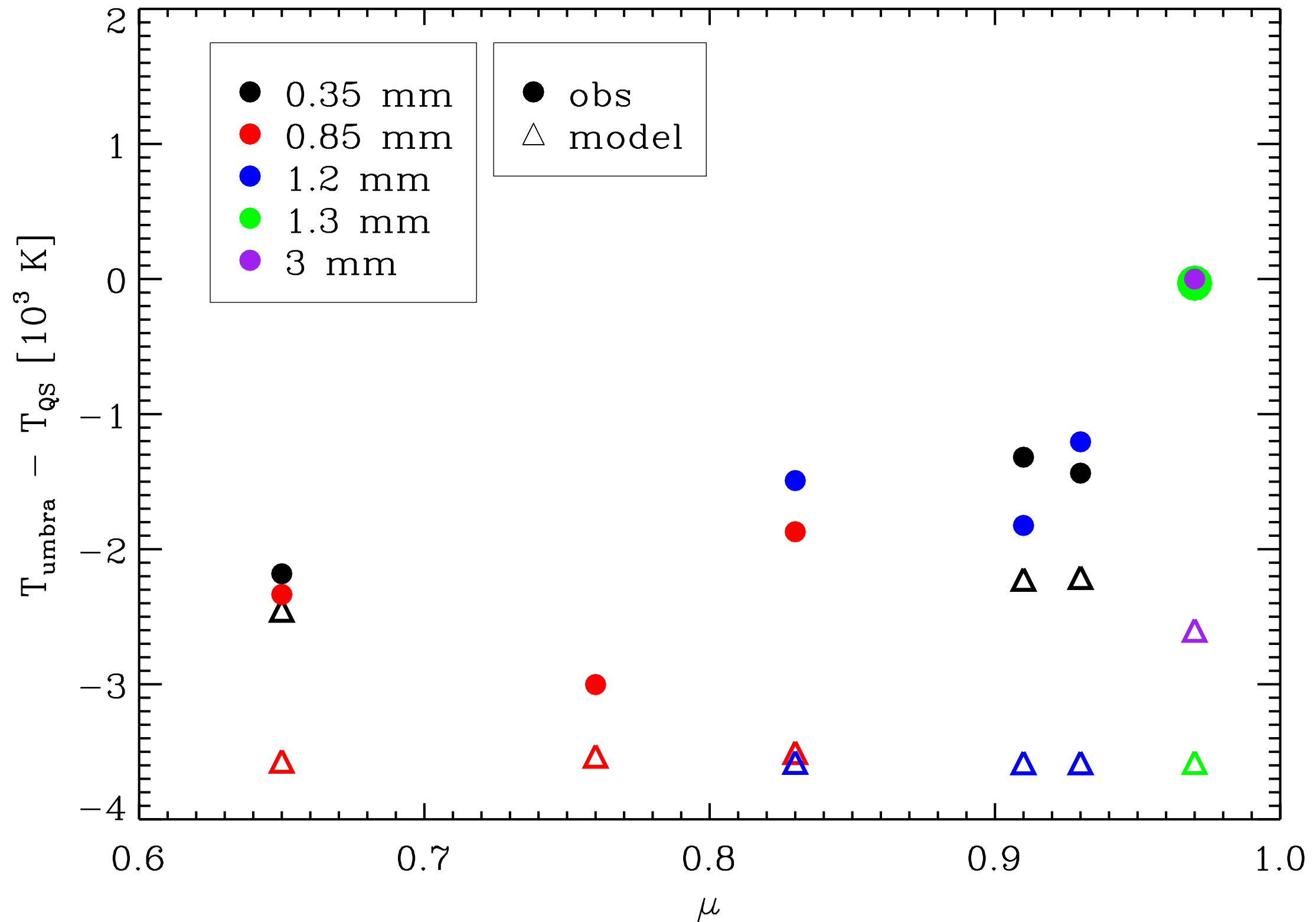
LTE vs non-LTE contrasts



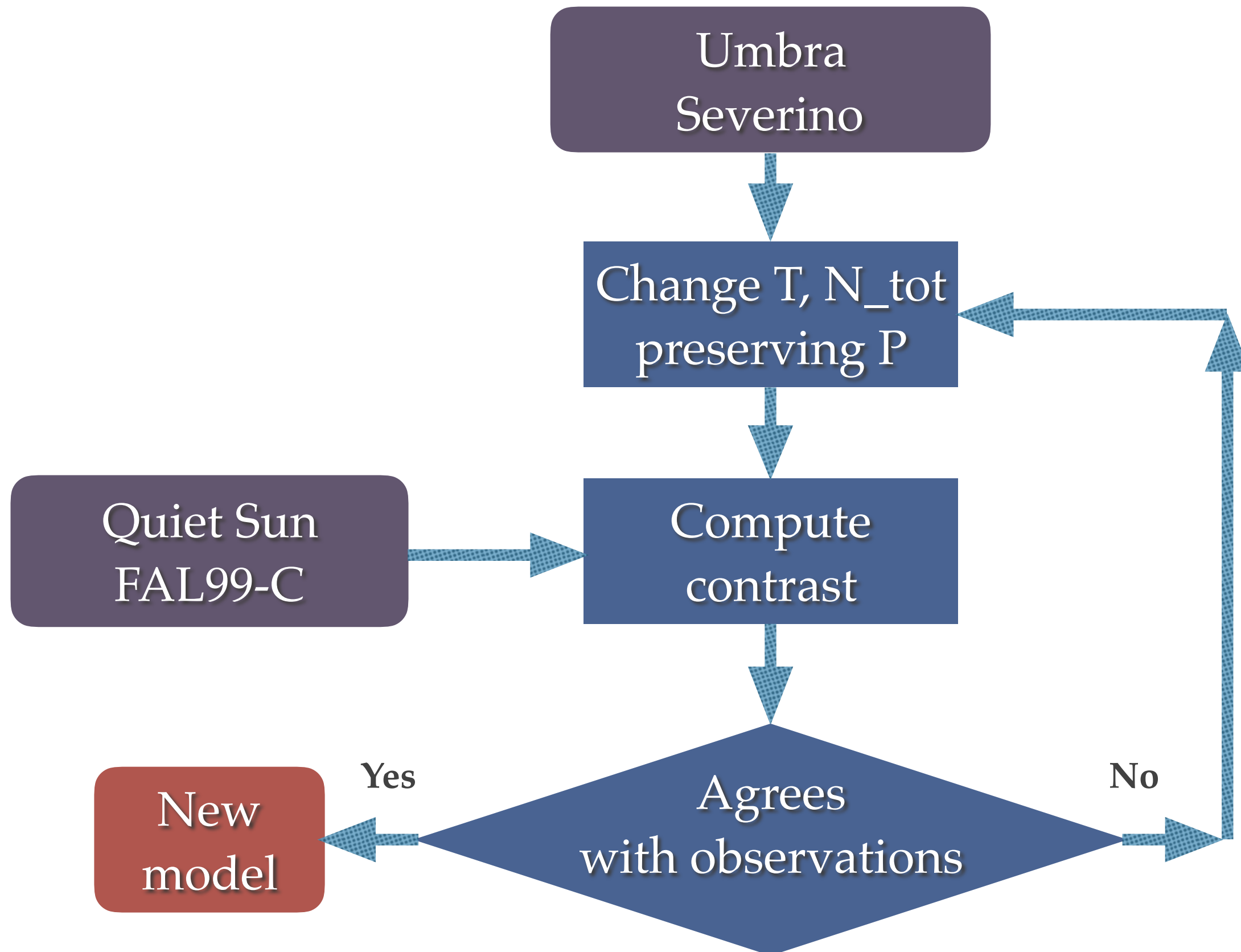
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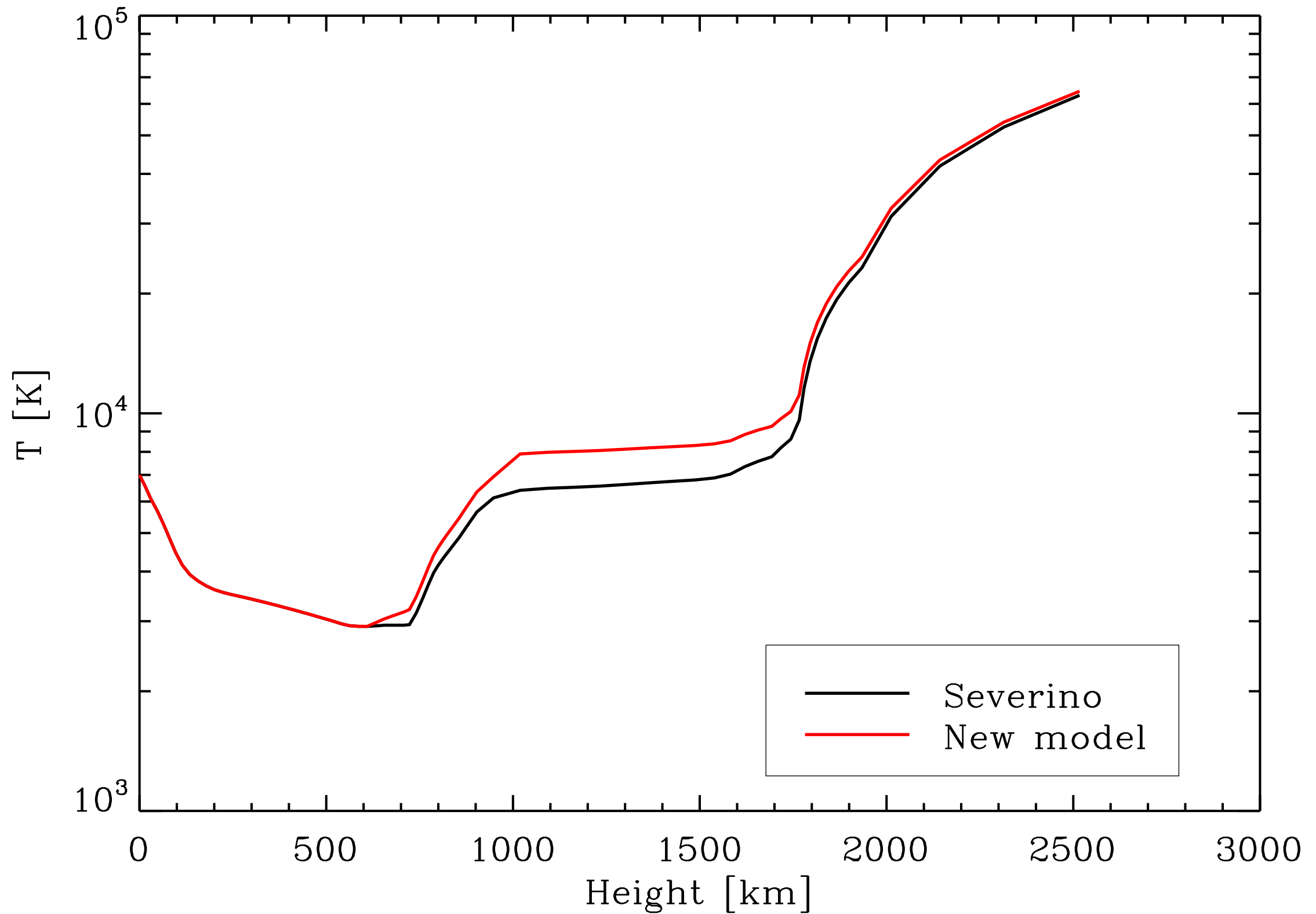
Contrasts from FAL99-C and Severino models



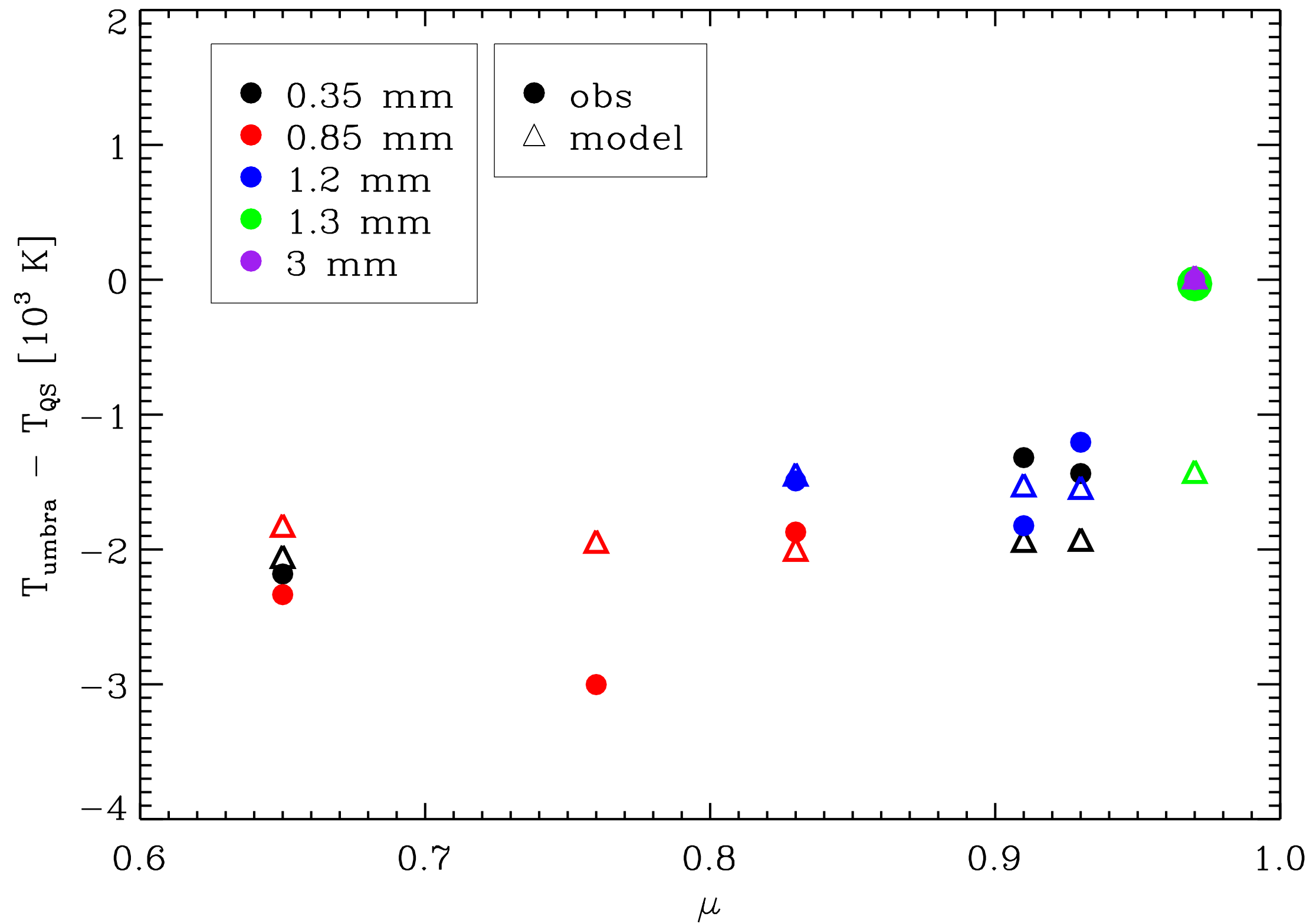
How do we construct the model?



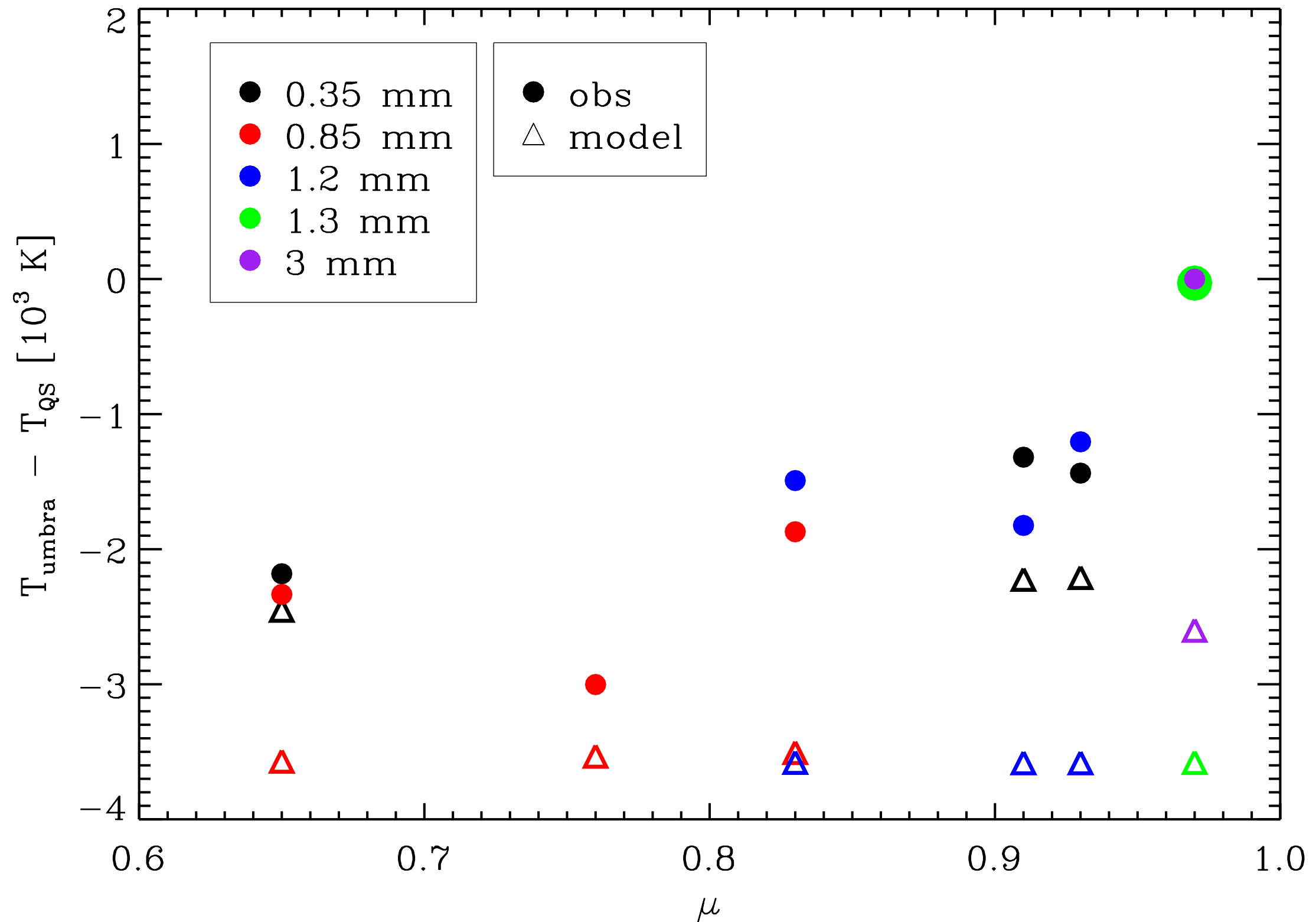
Temperature structure



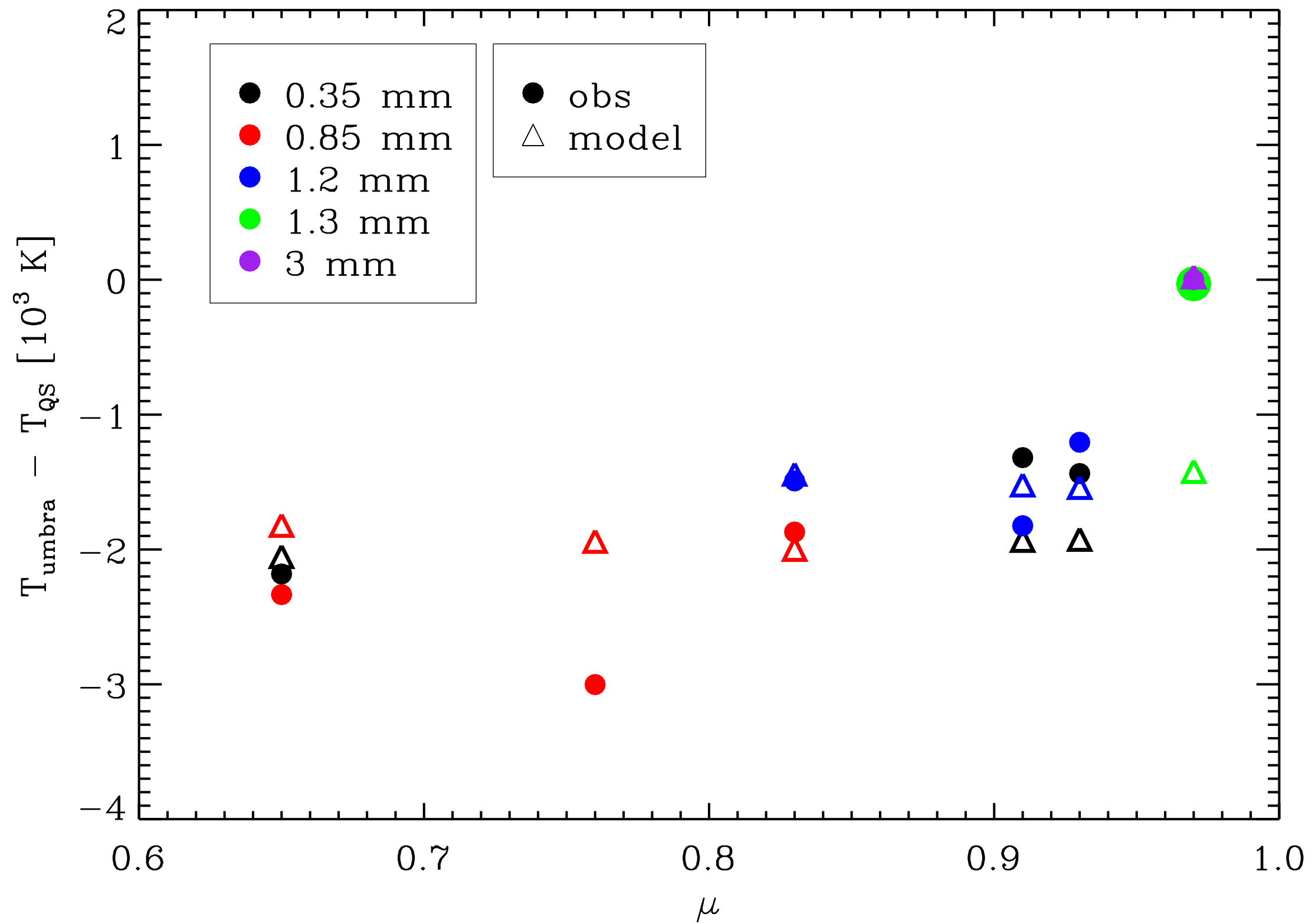
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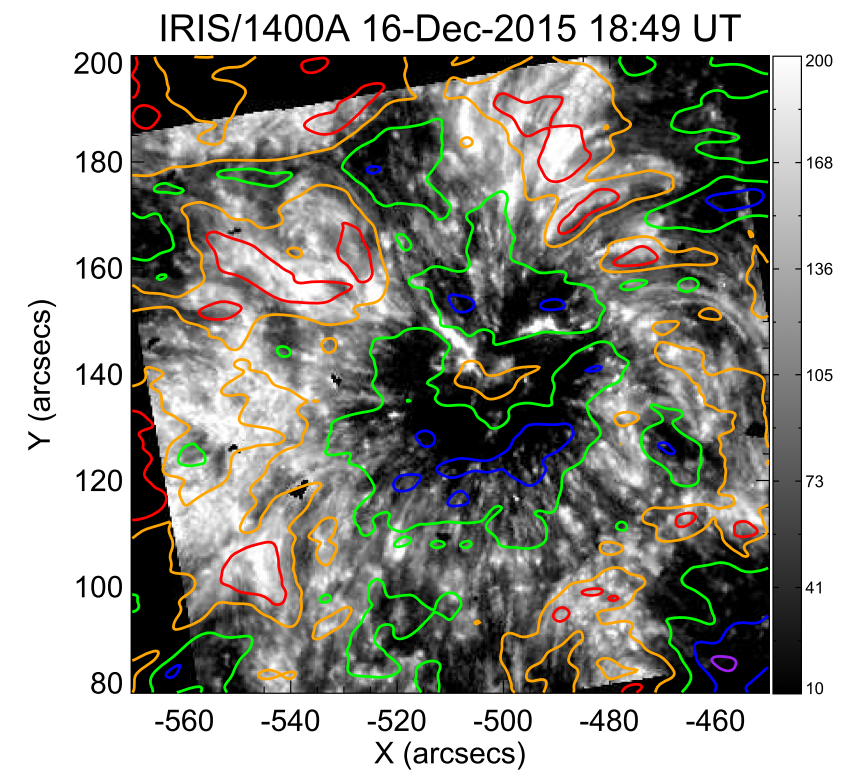
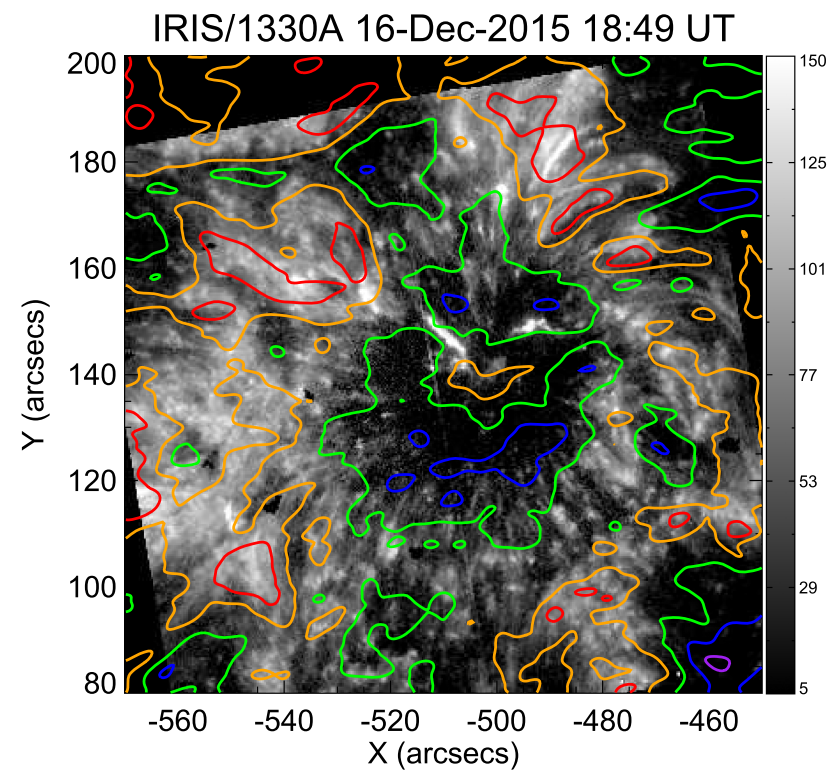
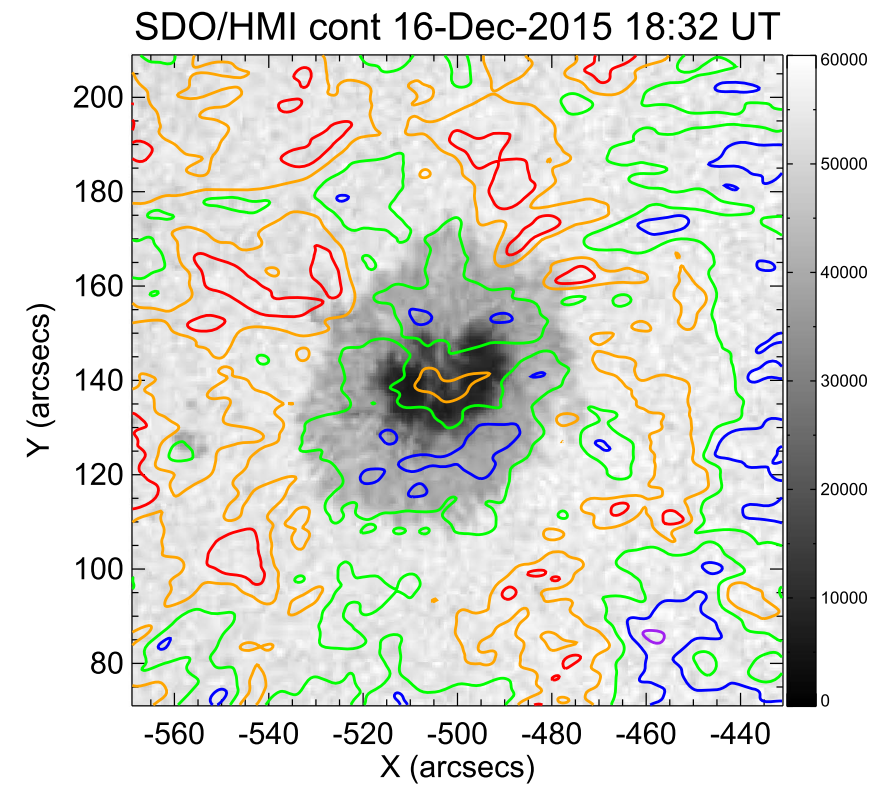
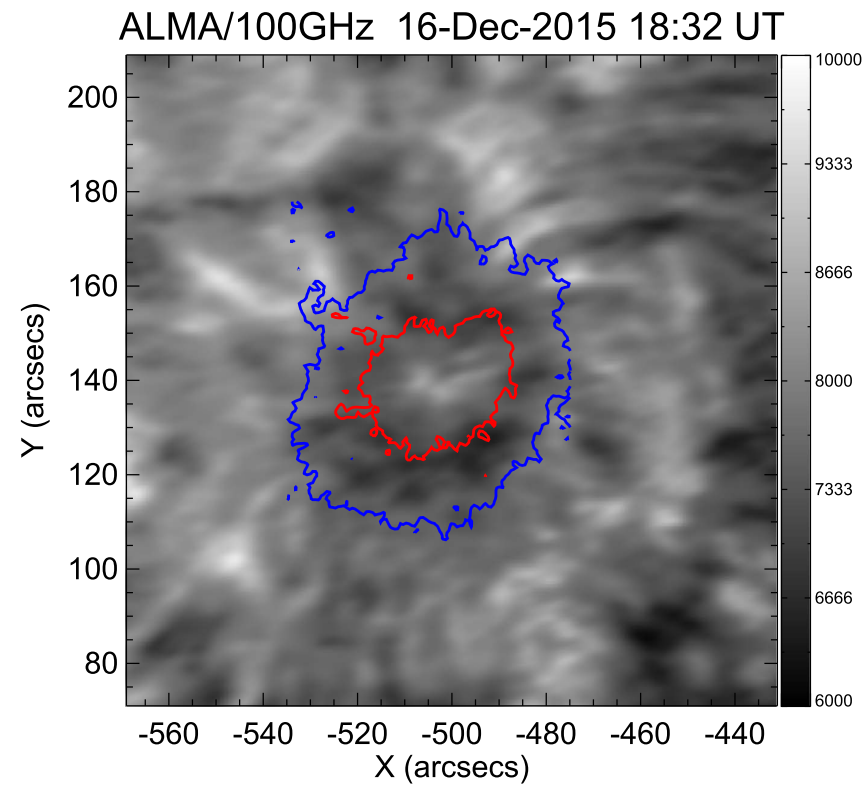
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ALMA and IRIS



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- ❖ Potential additional constraints from IRIS data
- ❖ Next step is to improve the chromosphere in penumbral models
- ❖ Implement these updated models in SATIRE to reconstruct the irradiance variability in the UV
- ❖ Use the models to interpret the observations from future missions such as Aditya-L1 and Sunrise-3

Thank you for your attention!