

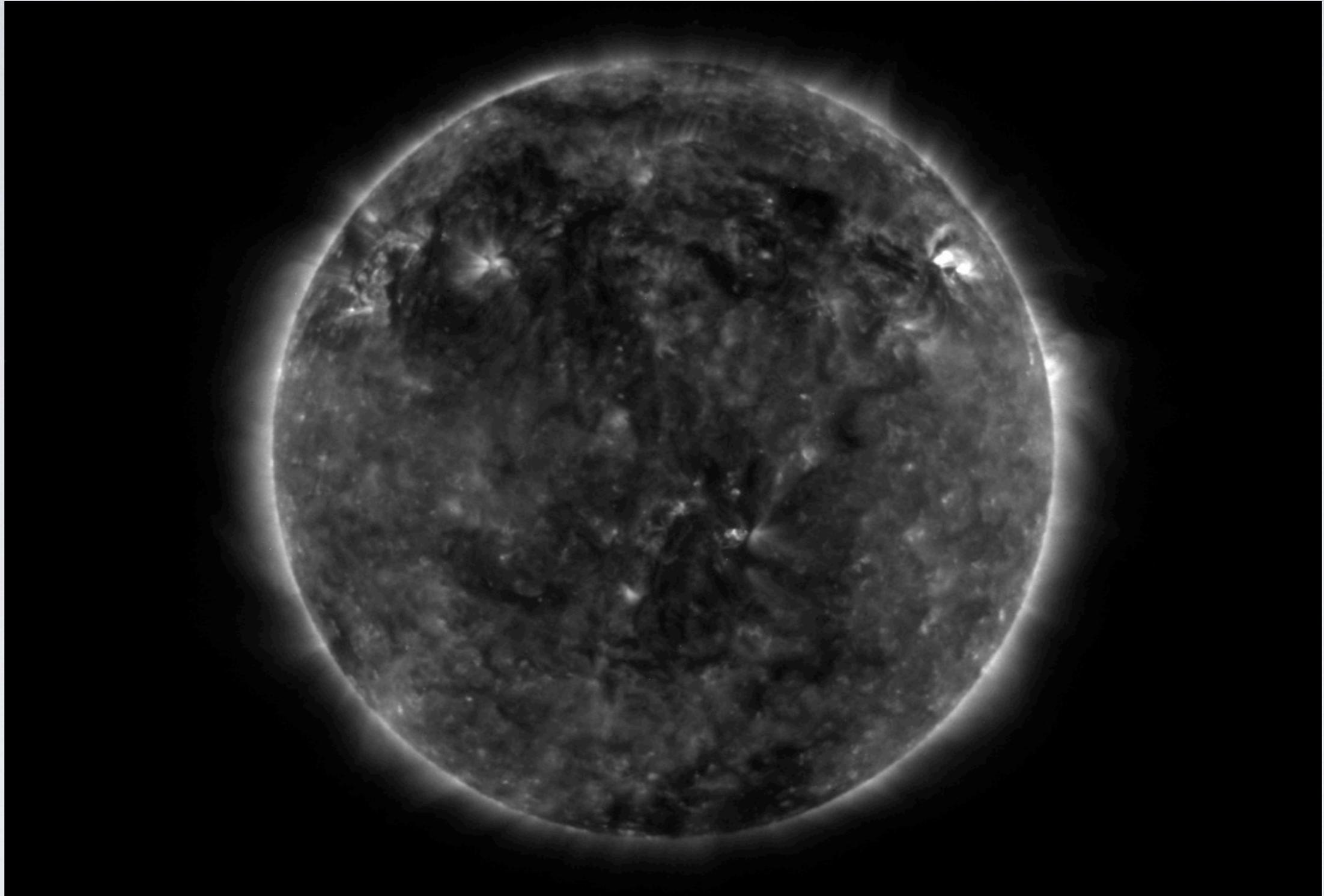
# INTRODUCTION TO IMAGE PROCESSING

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```
IDL> image = readfits(<filename>, header)
```

# IMAGE SCALING



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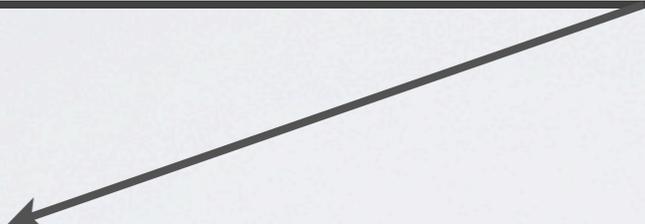
Linear

```
IDL> TVSCL, image
```

```
IDL> tv, bytscl(image, 10, 100)
```

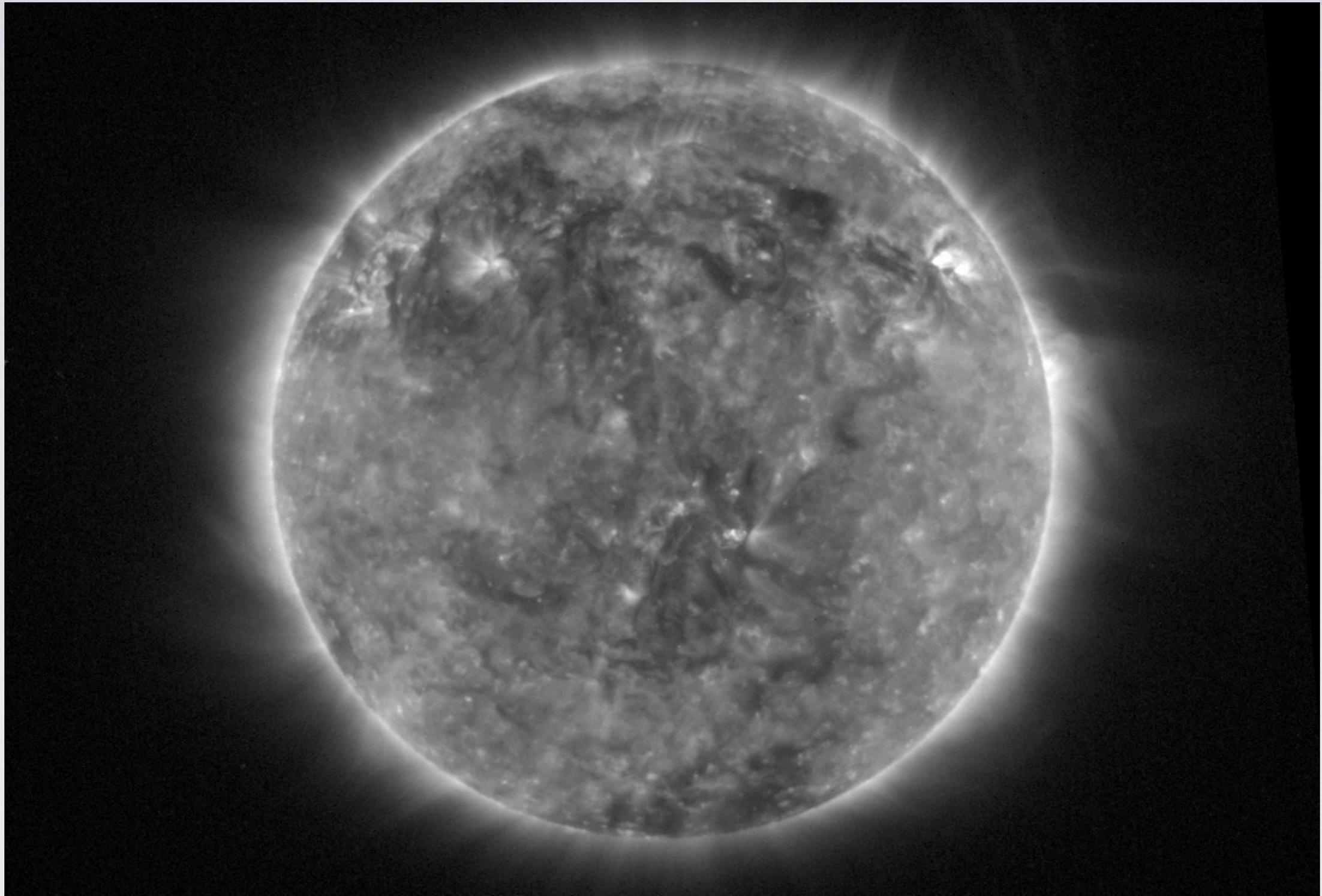
Scales image from *data space* (many bits)  
to *display space* (8 bits)

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**Cool Trick:** To repeat the last line,  
use the ↑ key

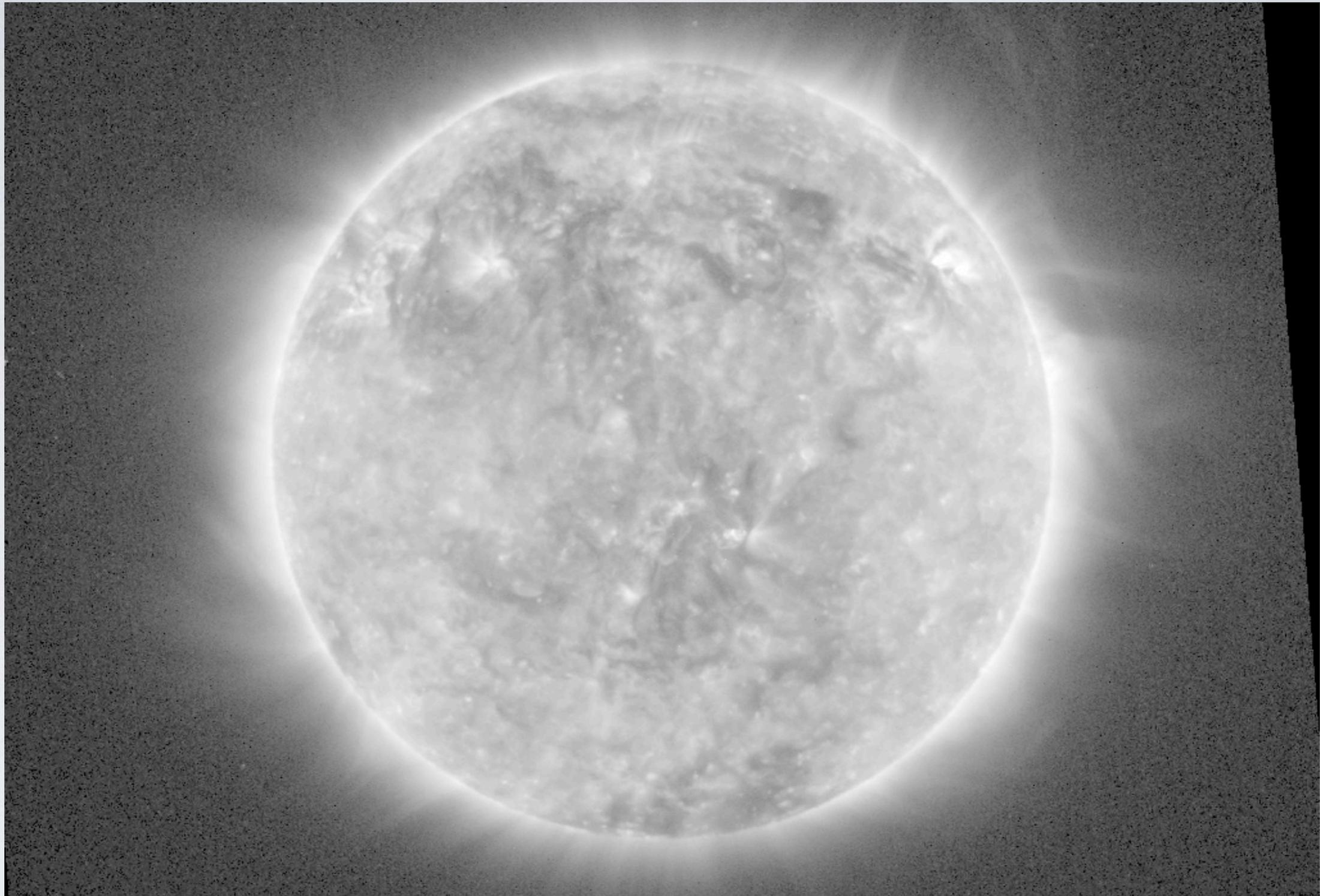


# IMAGE SCALING

Square Root

```
IDL> sqrt_image = sqrt(image)
```

```
IDL> tv, bytscl(sqrt_image, 0, 15)
```

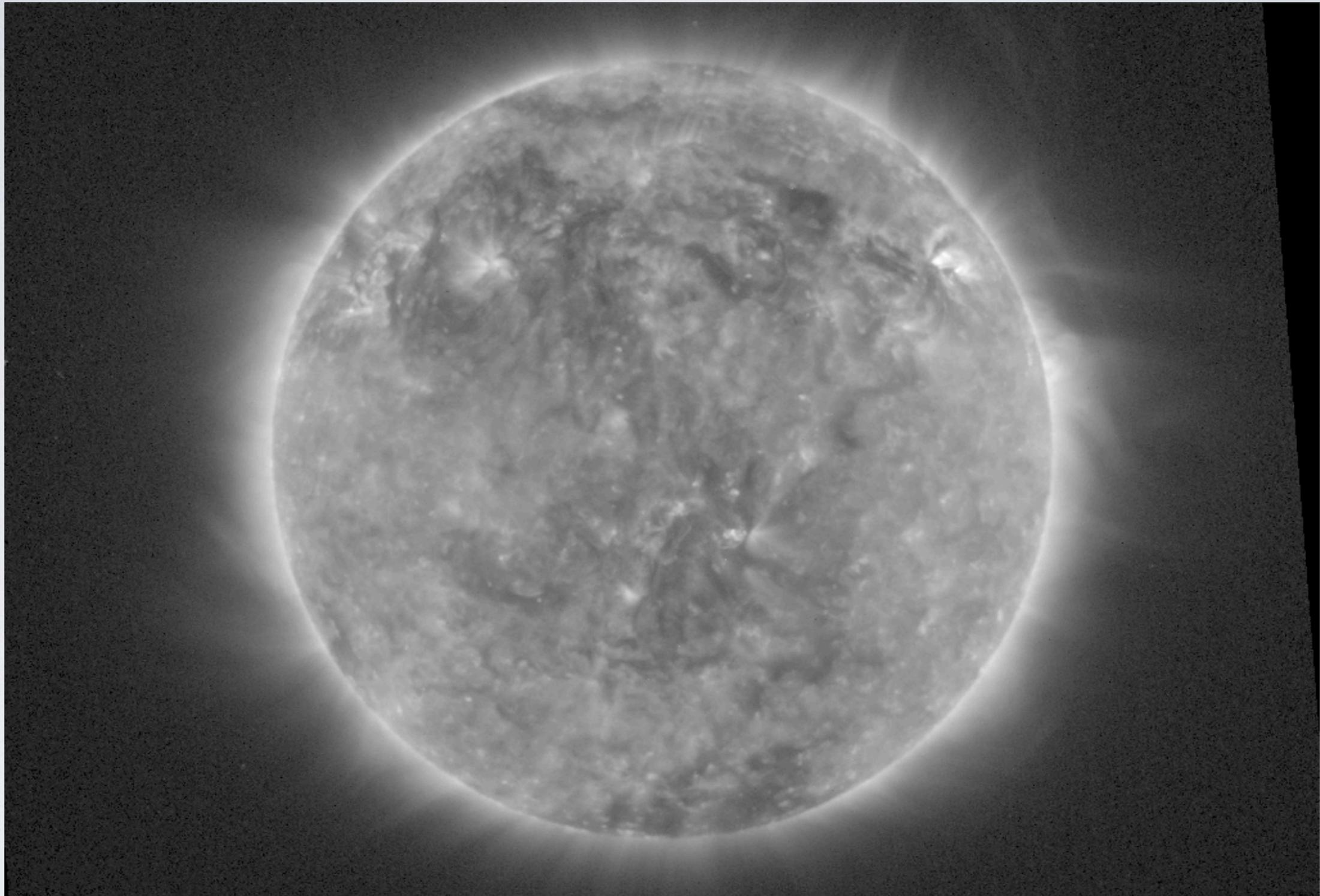


# IMAGE SCALING

Logarithmic

```
IDL> log_image = alog10(image)
```

```
IDL> tv, bytscl(log_image, -2, 5)
```



# IMAGE SCALING

Other Nonlinear Scaling

Try some other functions for scaling

```
IDL> scaled_image = image^2
```

```
IDL> tv, bytscl(scaled_image, 0, 1000)
```

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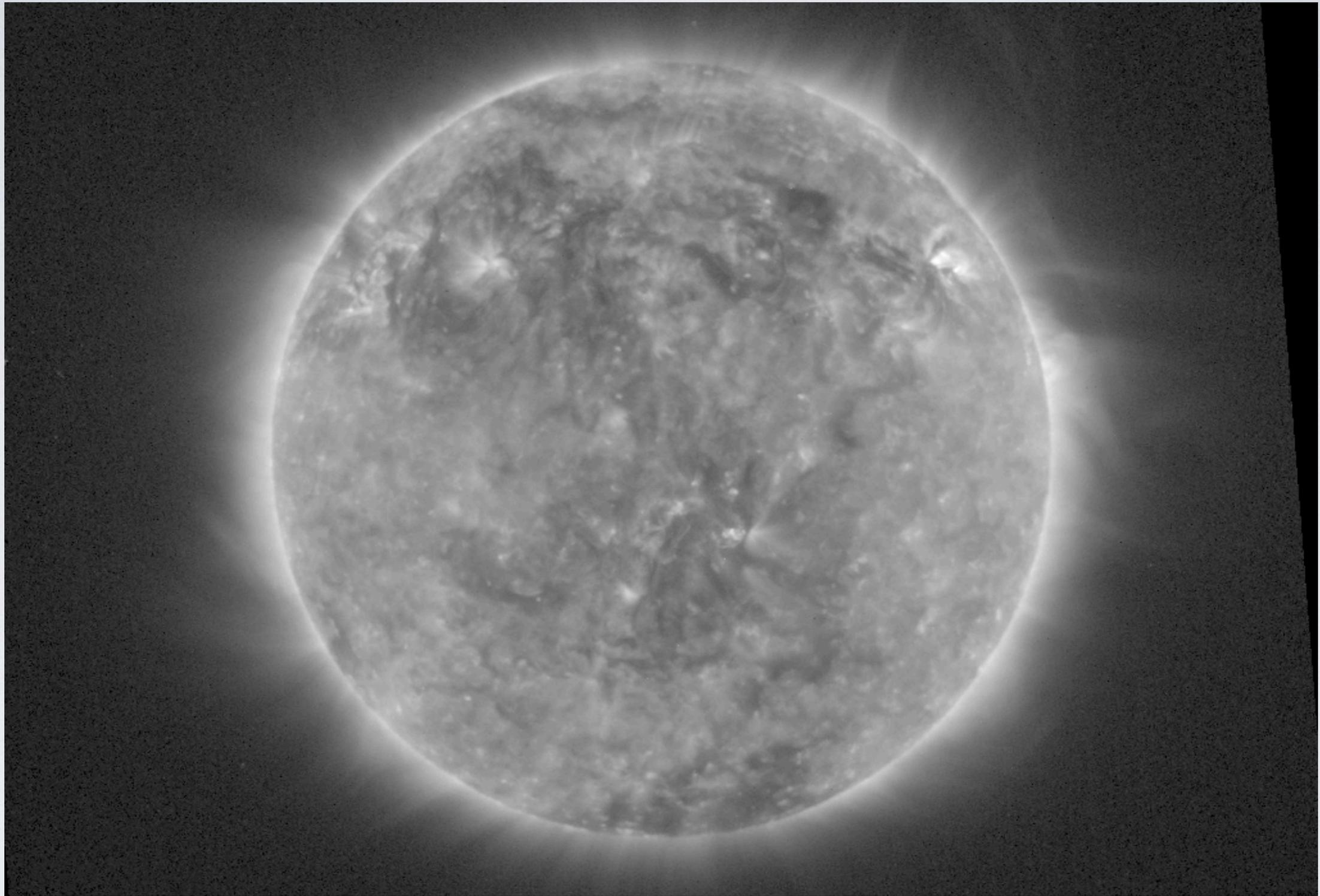
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IDL> tv, bytscl(scaled_image, 0, 1000)
```

**Question:**

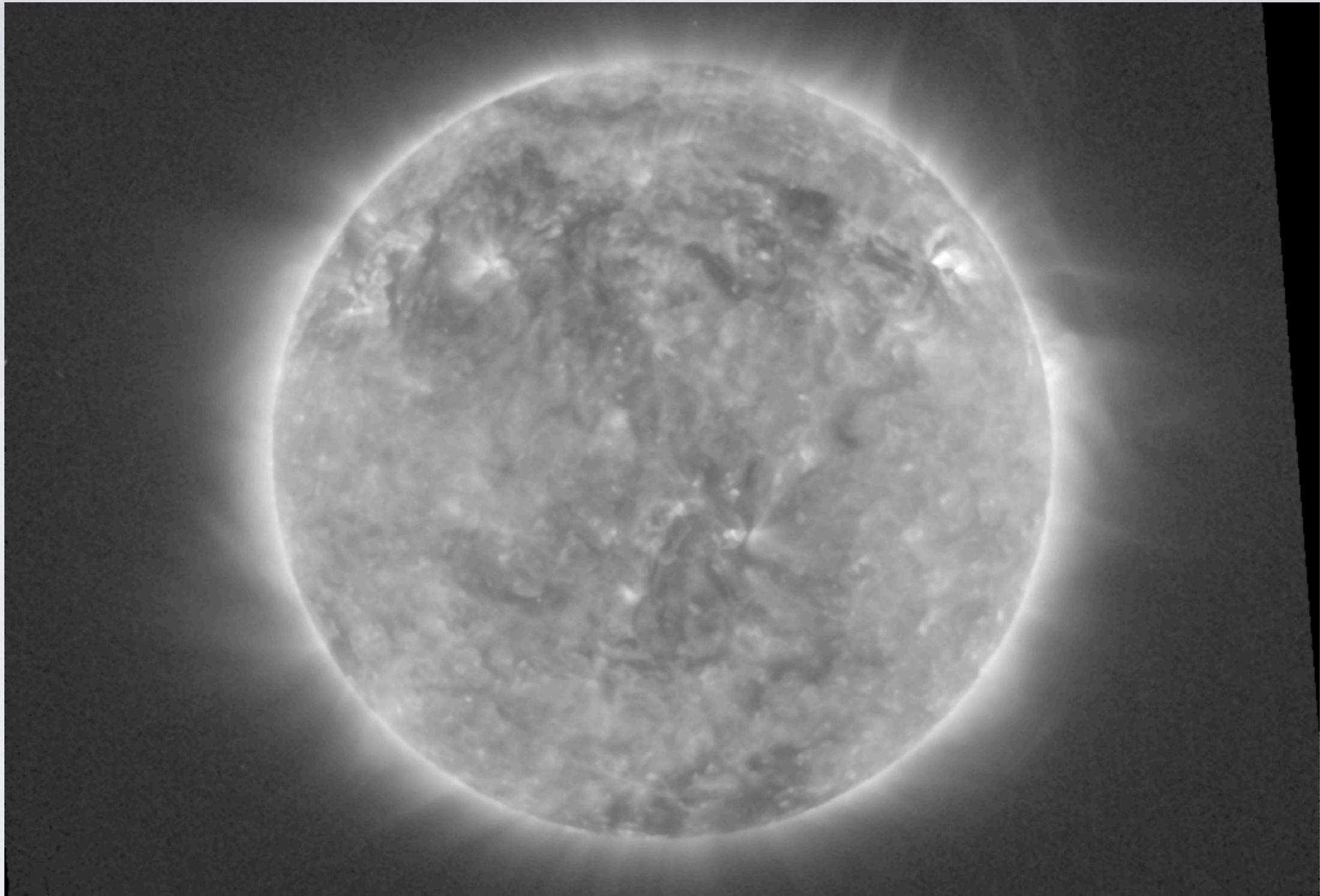
Why don't linear operations affect the appearance of the scaled image much?

# SPATIAL FILTERS



UNFILTERED

```
IDL> tv, bytscl(sqrt(image), 0, 15)
```



# MEDIAN FILTERED

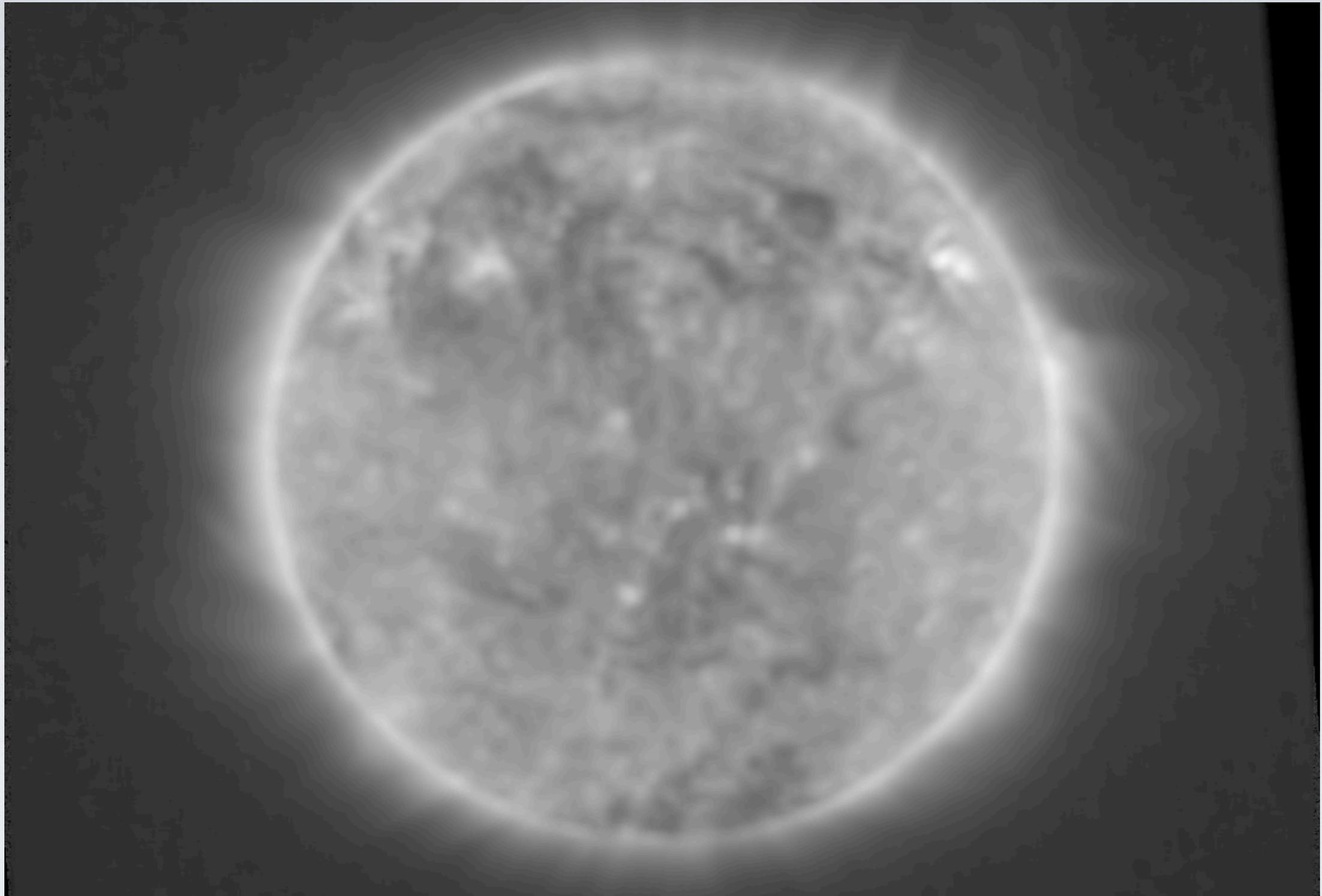
3×3 Pixel Filter (Removes Noise)

```
IDL> filtered_image = median(image, 3)
IDL> tv, bytscl(sqrt(filtered_image), 0, 15)
```

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### **Question:**

What happens when you vary the  
3 in the *median* command?



SMOOTHED

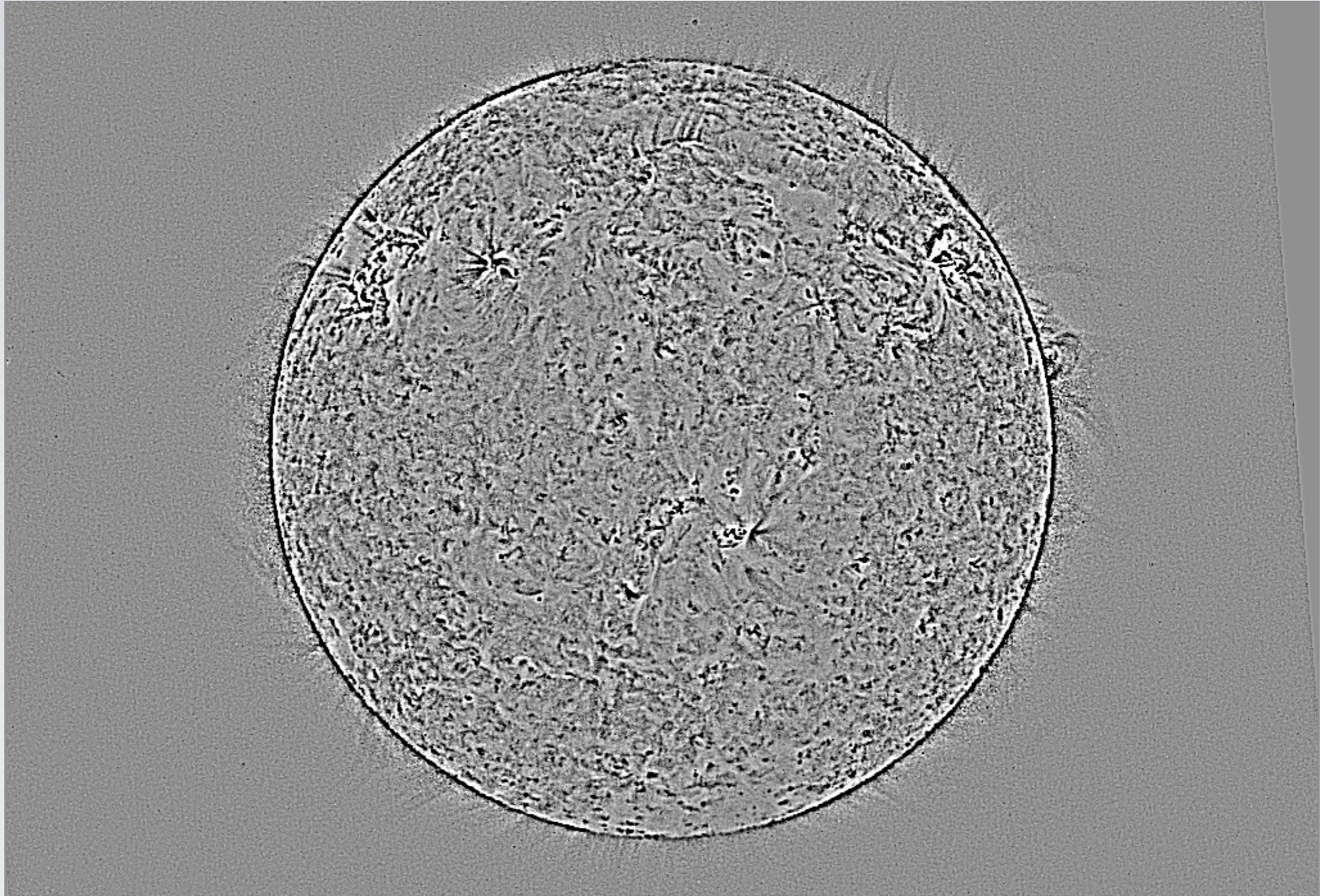
10×10 Pixel Boxcar (Low Frequencies)

```
IDL> filtered_image = smooth(image, 10)
IDL> tv, bytscl(sqrt(filtered_image), 0, 15)
```

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**Question:**

How are *smooth* and *median* different?



# HIGH FREQUENCIES

(Normal Image) - (Smoothed Image)

```
IDL> hifq_image = image - smooth(image, 10)
IDL> tv, bytscl(hifq_image, -10, 10)
```

## Question:

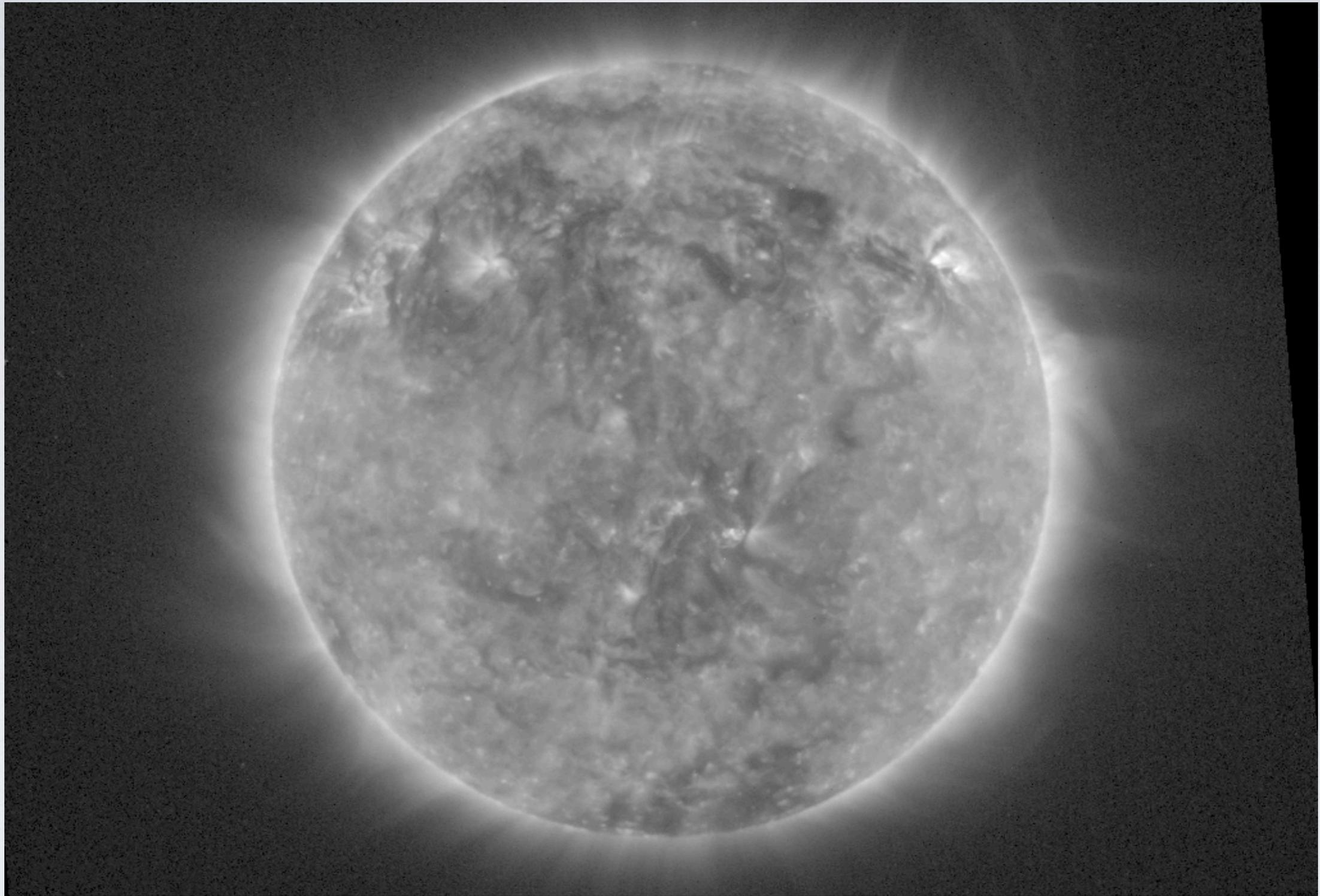
Why can't we take the *sqrt* of this image?

```
IDL> hifq_image = image - smooth(image, 10)
IDL> tv, bytscl(hifq_image, -10, 10)
```

```
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IDL> tv, bytscl(hifq_image, -10, 10)
```

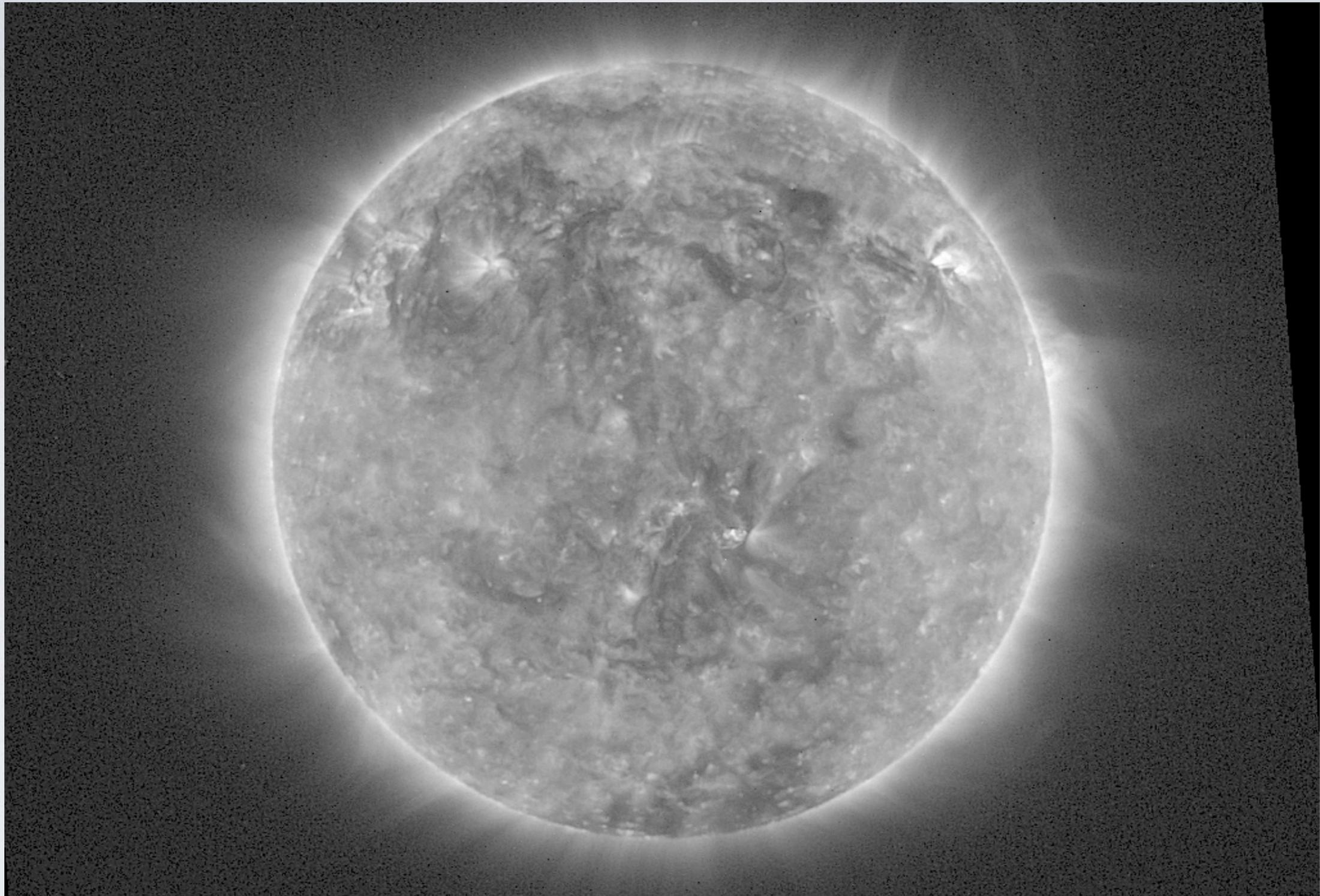
**Question:**

How does the 10 in *smooth* affect the appearance of the image you display?



# NEXT: UNSHARP MASKING

Amplify High Frequencies



# UNSHARP MASKED

$(\text{High Frequencies}) \times \text{Const.} + (\text{Normal Image})$

```
IDL> hifq_image = image - smooth(image, 10)
IDL> sharp_image = image + hifq_image
IDL> tv, bytscl(sqrt(sharp_image), 0, 15)
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## **Advanced Sharpening:**

Adjust the amount of sharpening by adding a *constant* in front of the *high frequency components*.

```
IDL> hifq_image = image - smooth(image, 10)
IDL> sharp_image = image + 0.5 * hifq_image
IDL> tv, bytscl(sqrt(sharp_image), 0, 15)
```

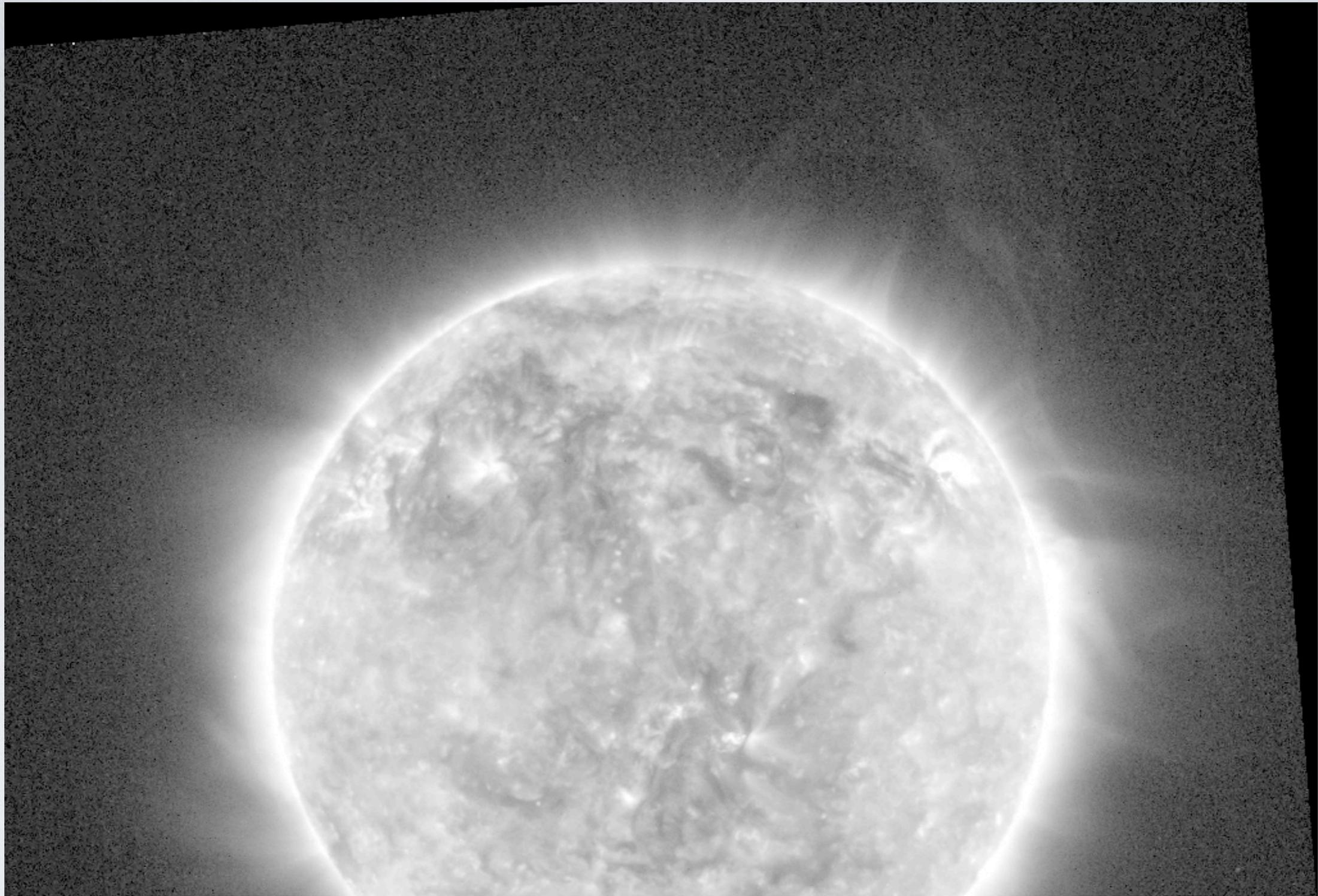
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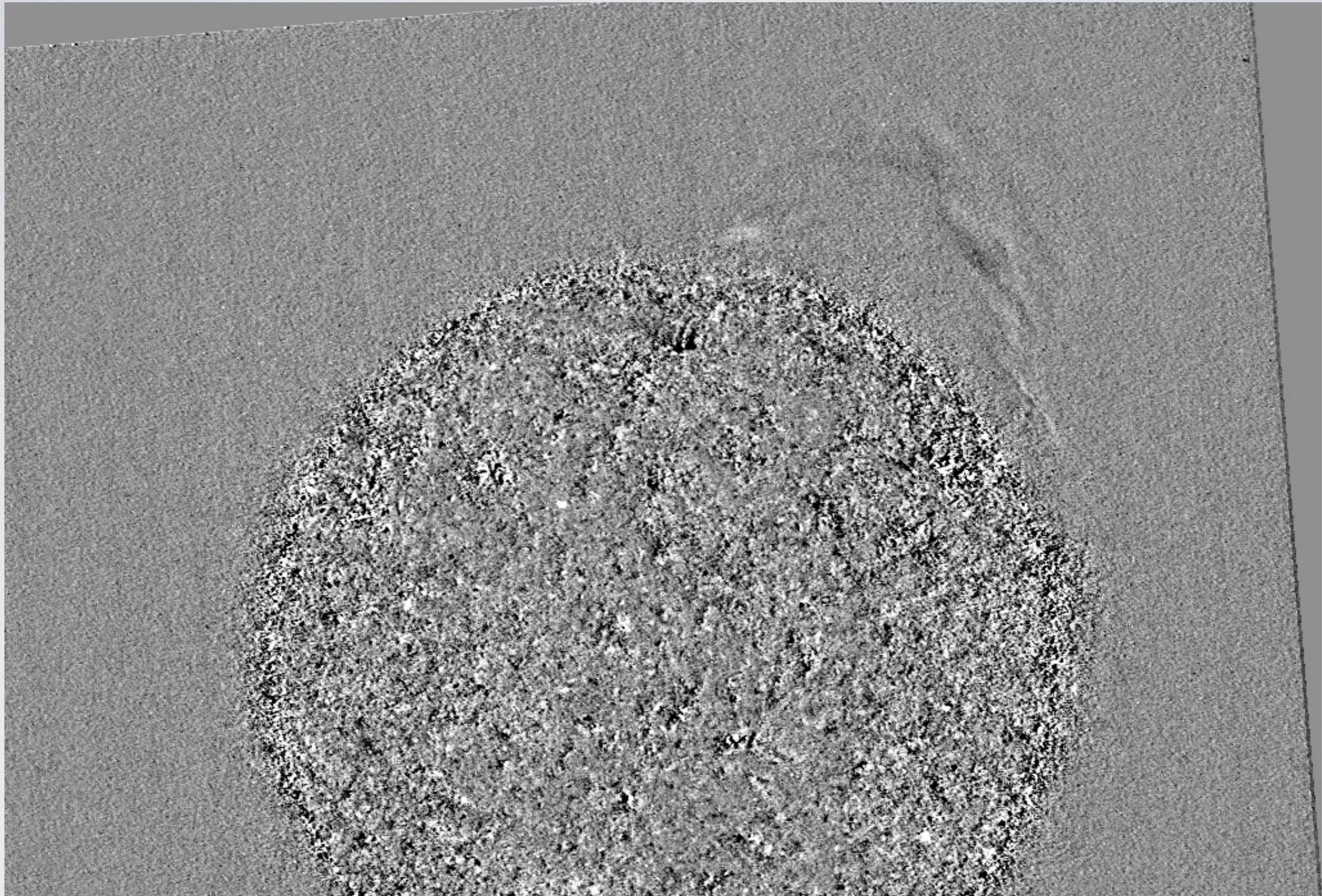
## **Question:**

How does the constant affect the result?



# NEXT: RUNNING DIFFERENCE

Highlights Dynamic Features



# RUNNING DIFFERENCE

(Current Frame) - (Previous Frame)

## **Get Two (or more) Sequential Images:**

<http://proba2.oma.be/swap/level1/2010/10/19/>

```
IDL> image1 = readfits(<file1>, header1)
IDL> image2 = readfits(<file2>, header2)
IDL> diff_image = image2 - image1
IDL> tv, bytscl(diff_image, -10, 10)
```

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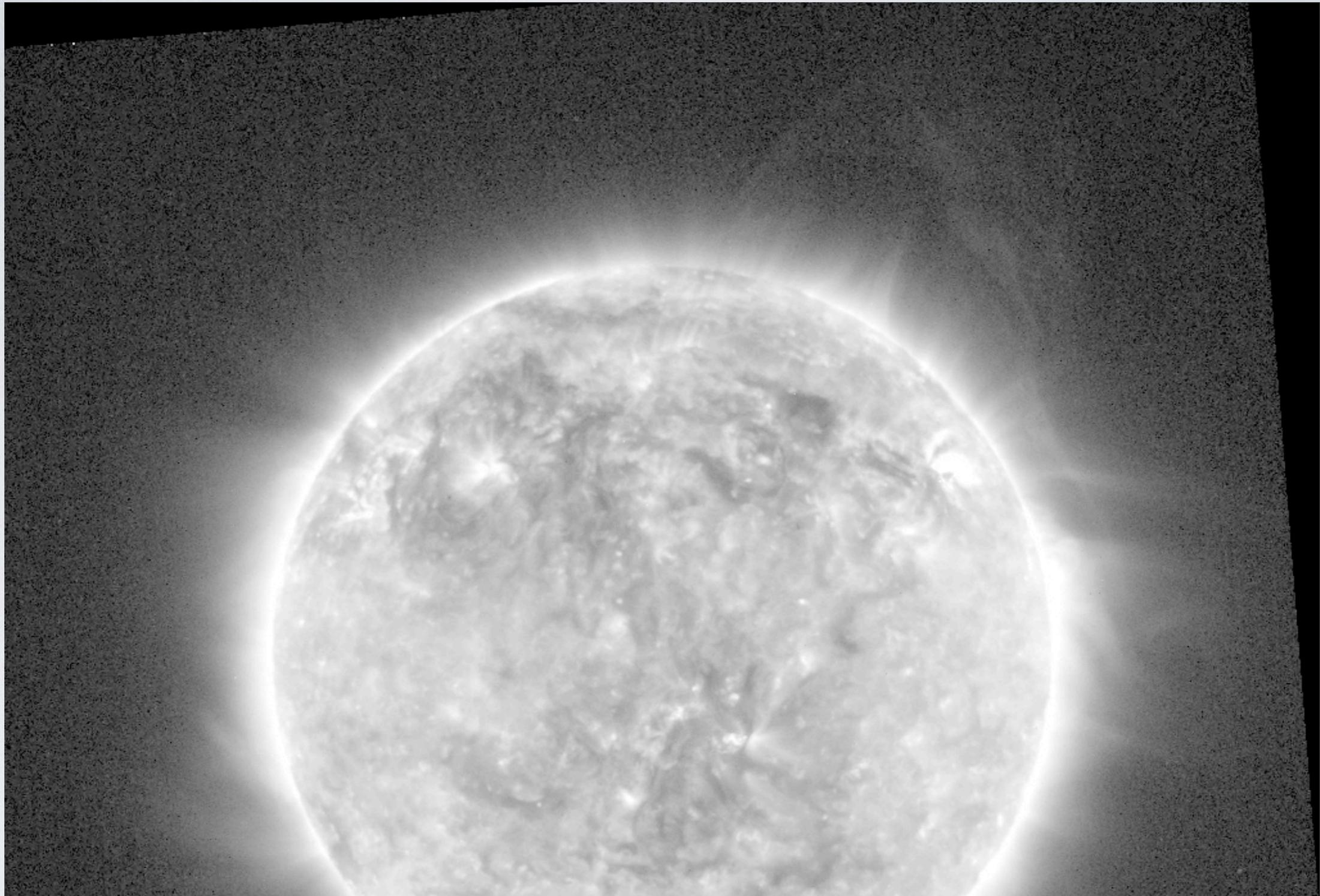
<http://proba2.oma.be/swap/level1/2010/10/19/>

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```

### **Question:**

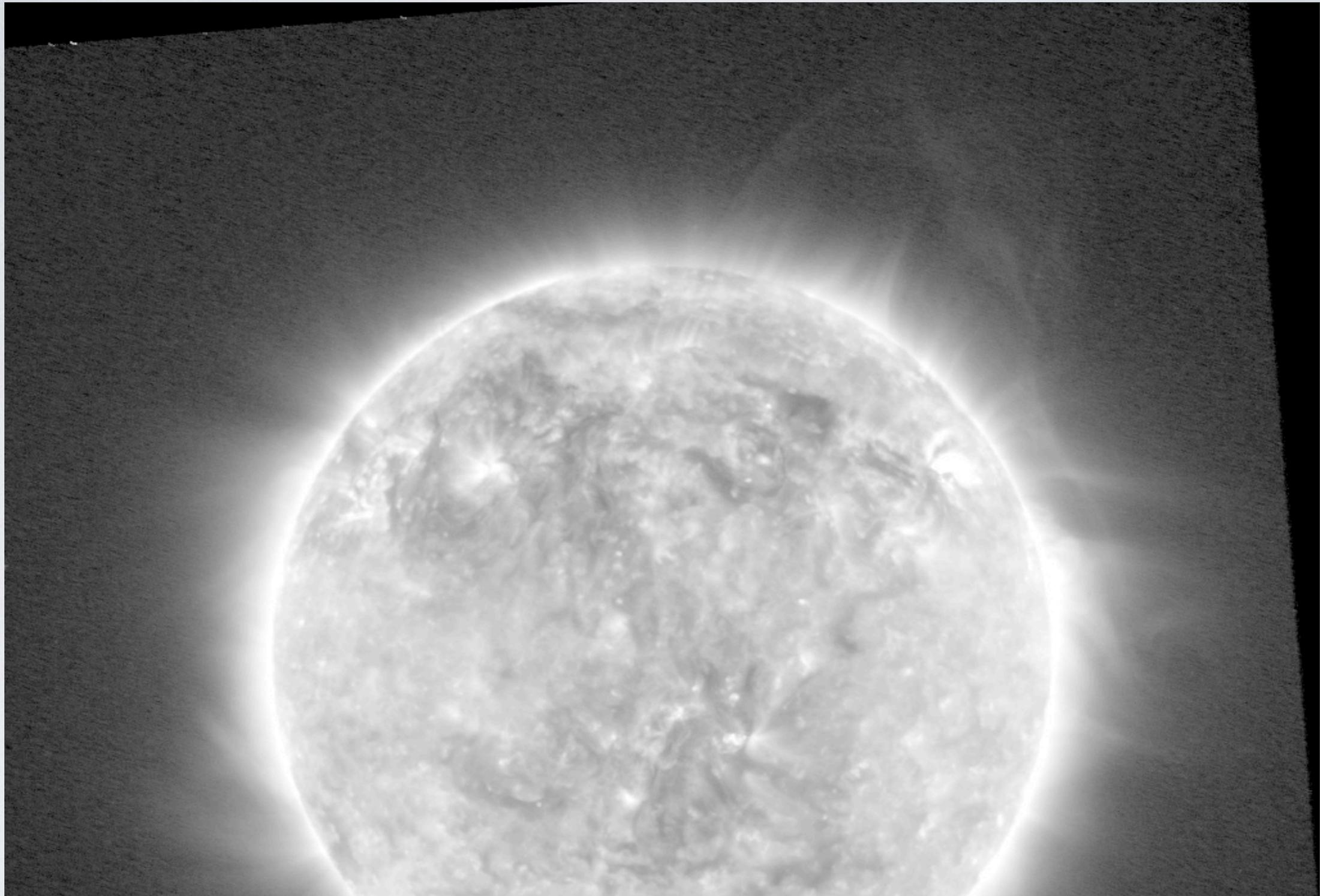
How does the result change when time between the two images increases?

# ADVANCED TECHNIQUES



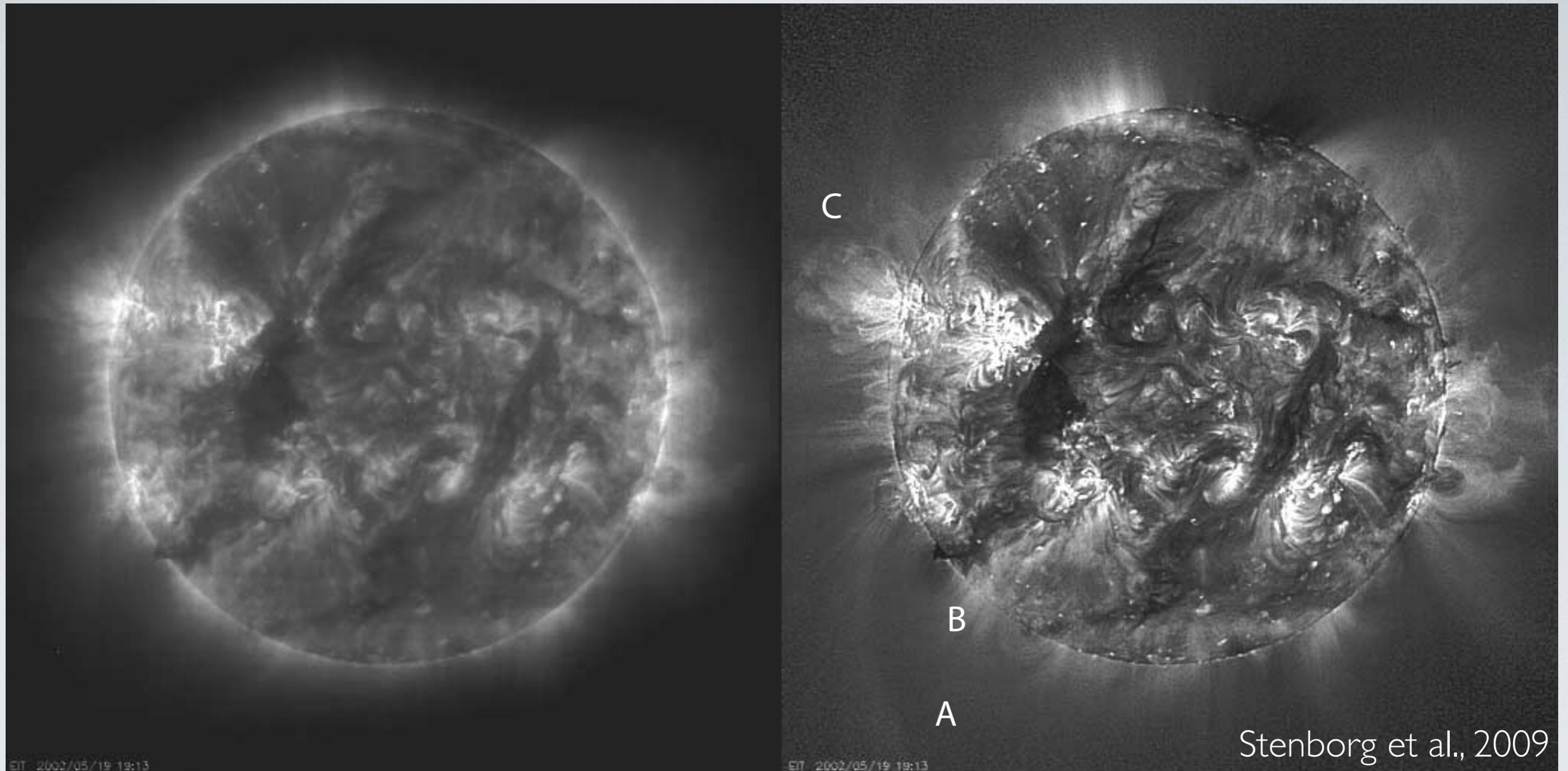
# NEXT: SUMMING IMAGES

Improves Signal to Noise



# SUMMED IMAGES

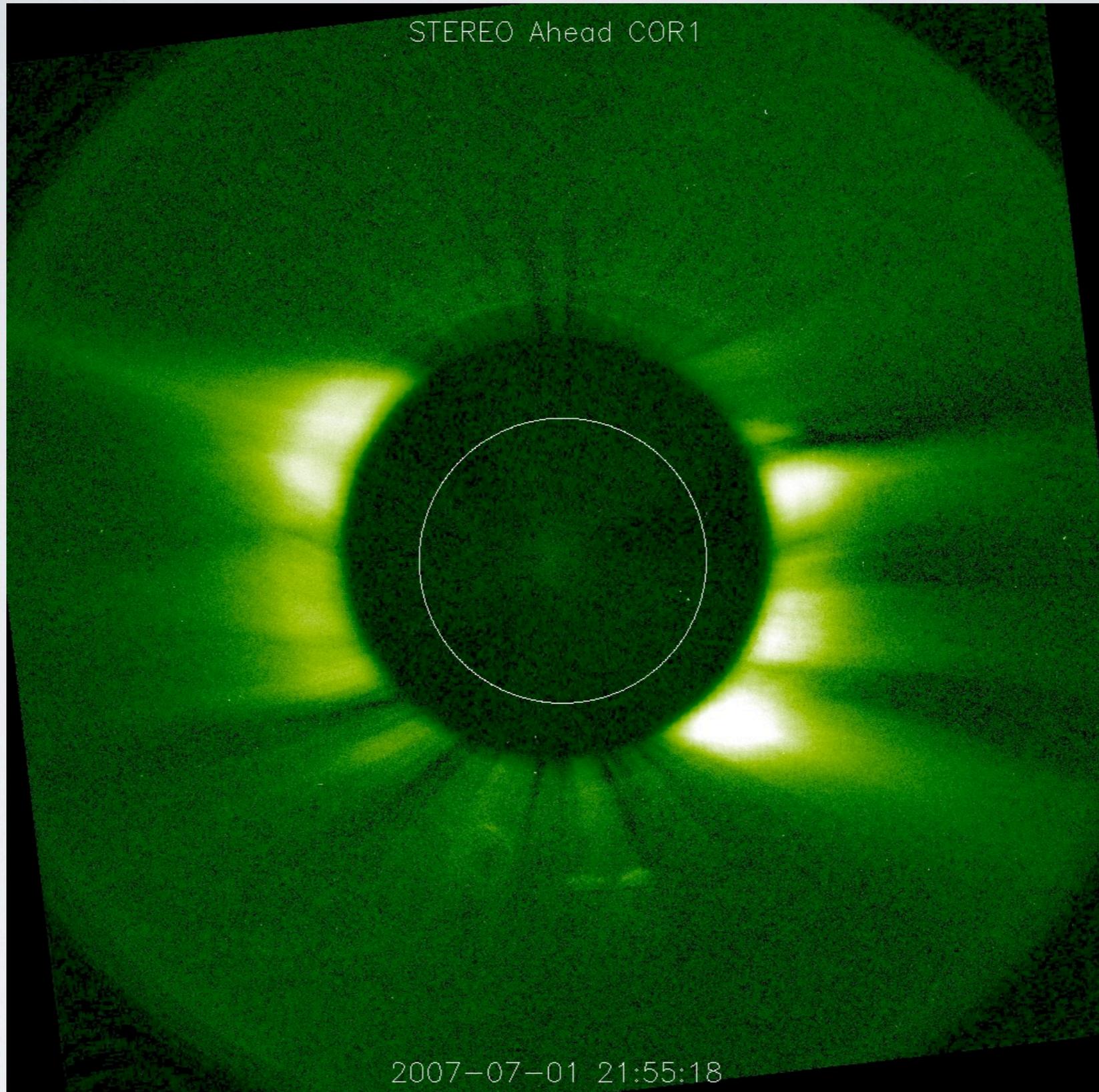
5 Frames Added



# WAVELET FILTER

Multiscale Filter, Enhances Coherent Structures

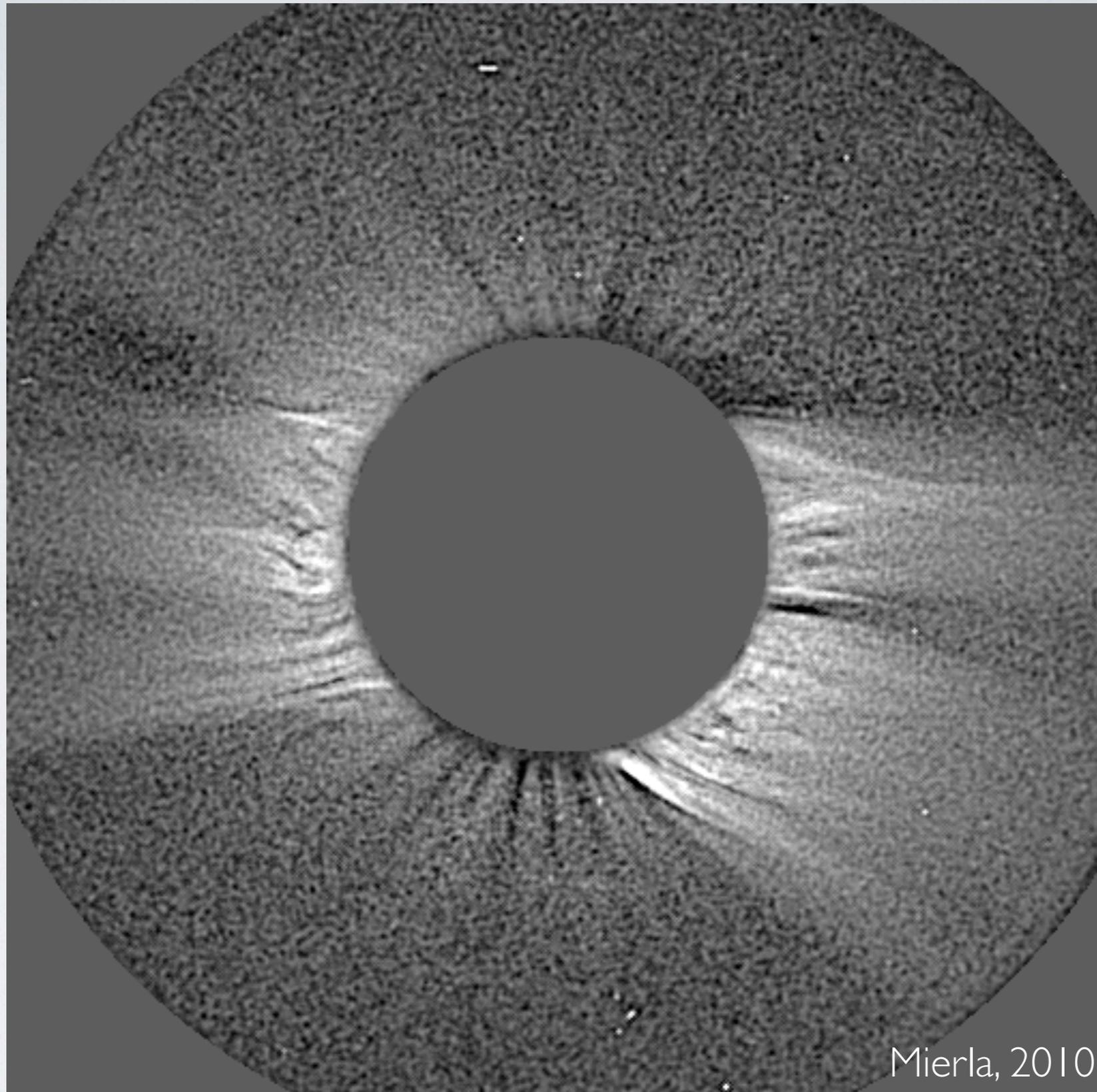
STEREO Ahead COR1



WAVELET FILTER

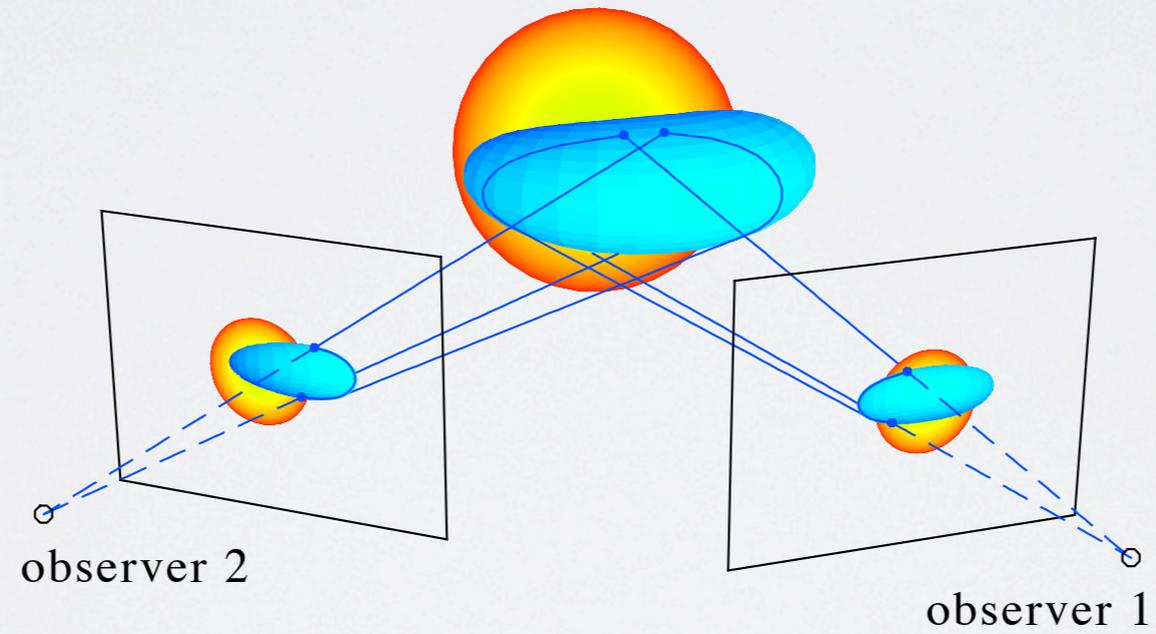
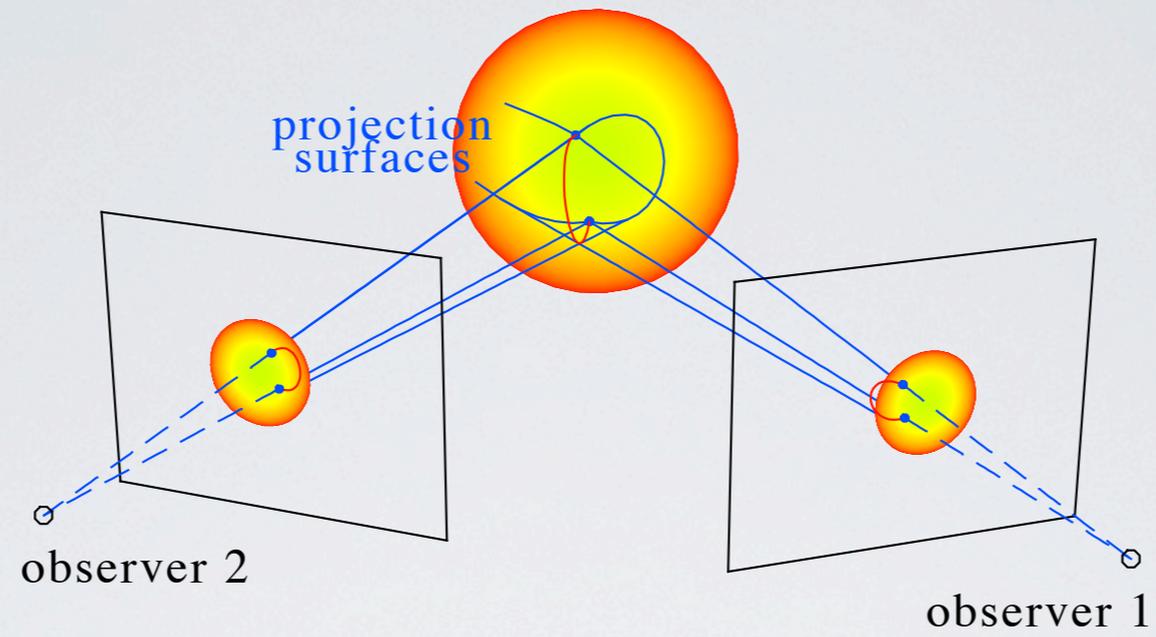
Mierla, 2010

# WAVELET FILTER

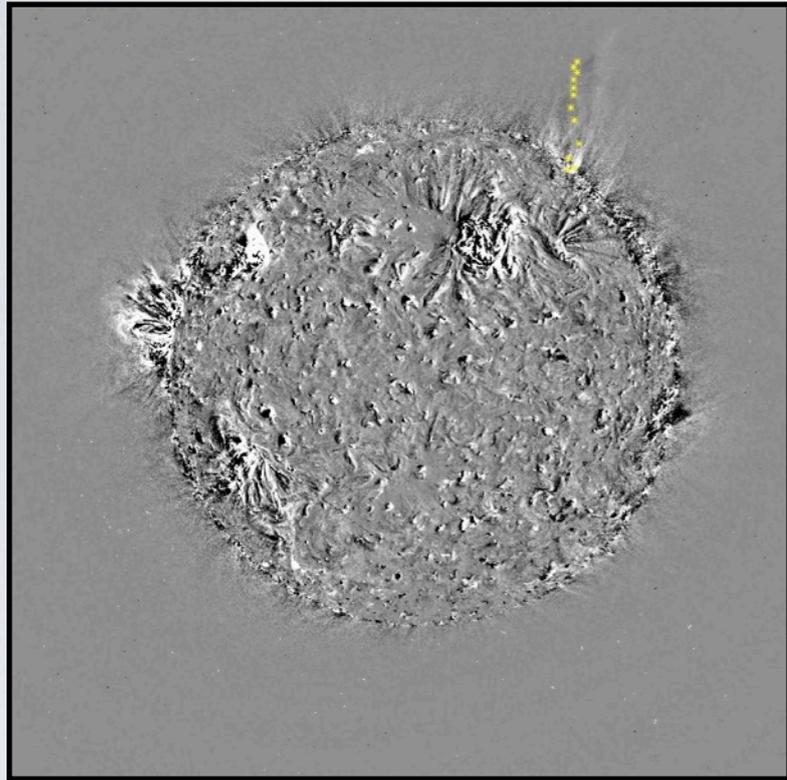


Mierla, 2010

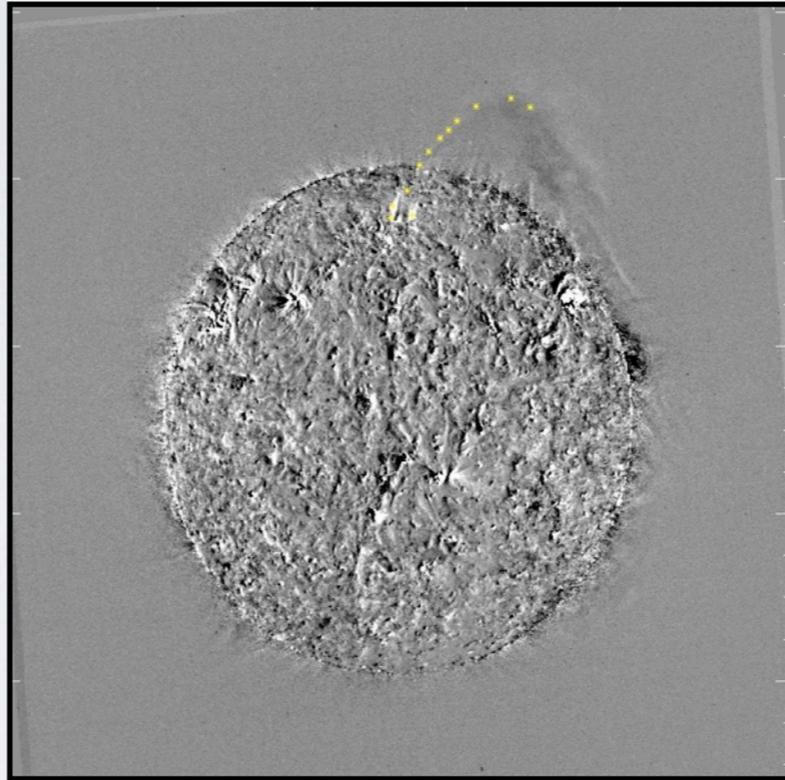
WAVELET FILTER



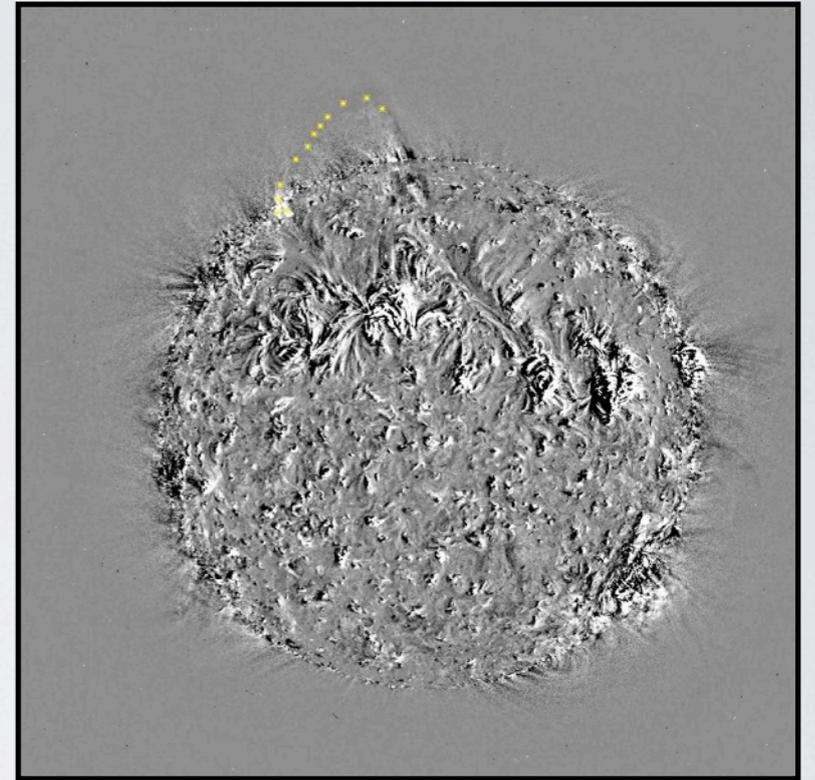
# 3D RECONSTRUCTIONS



STEREO B



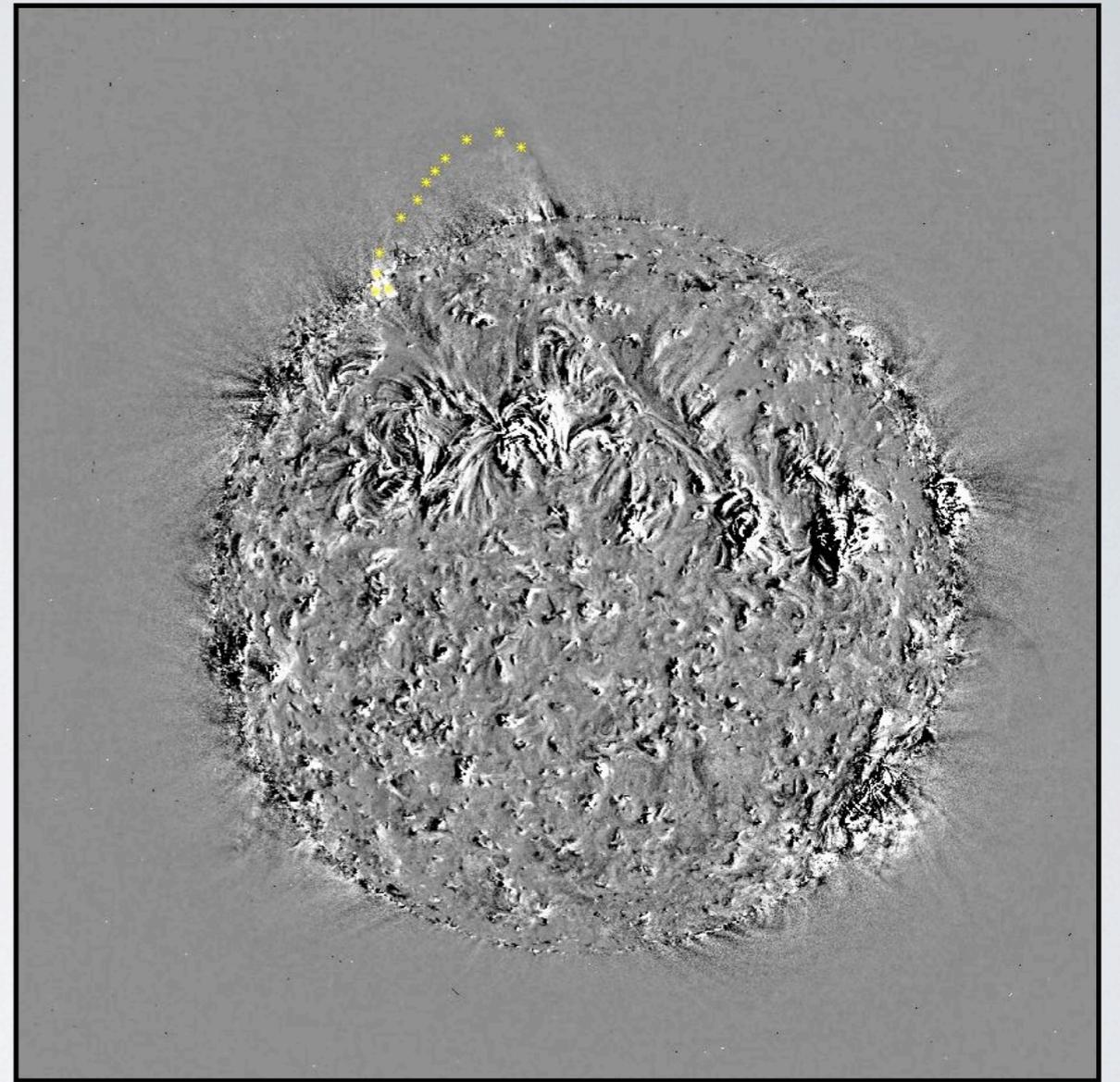
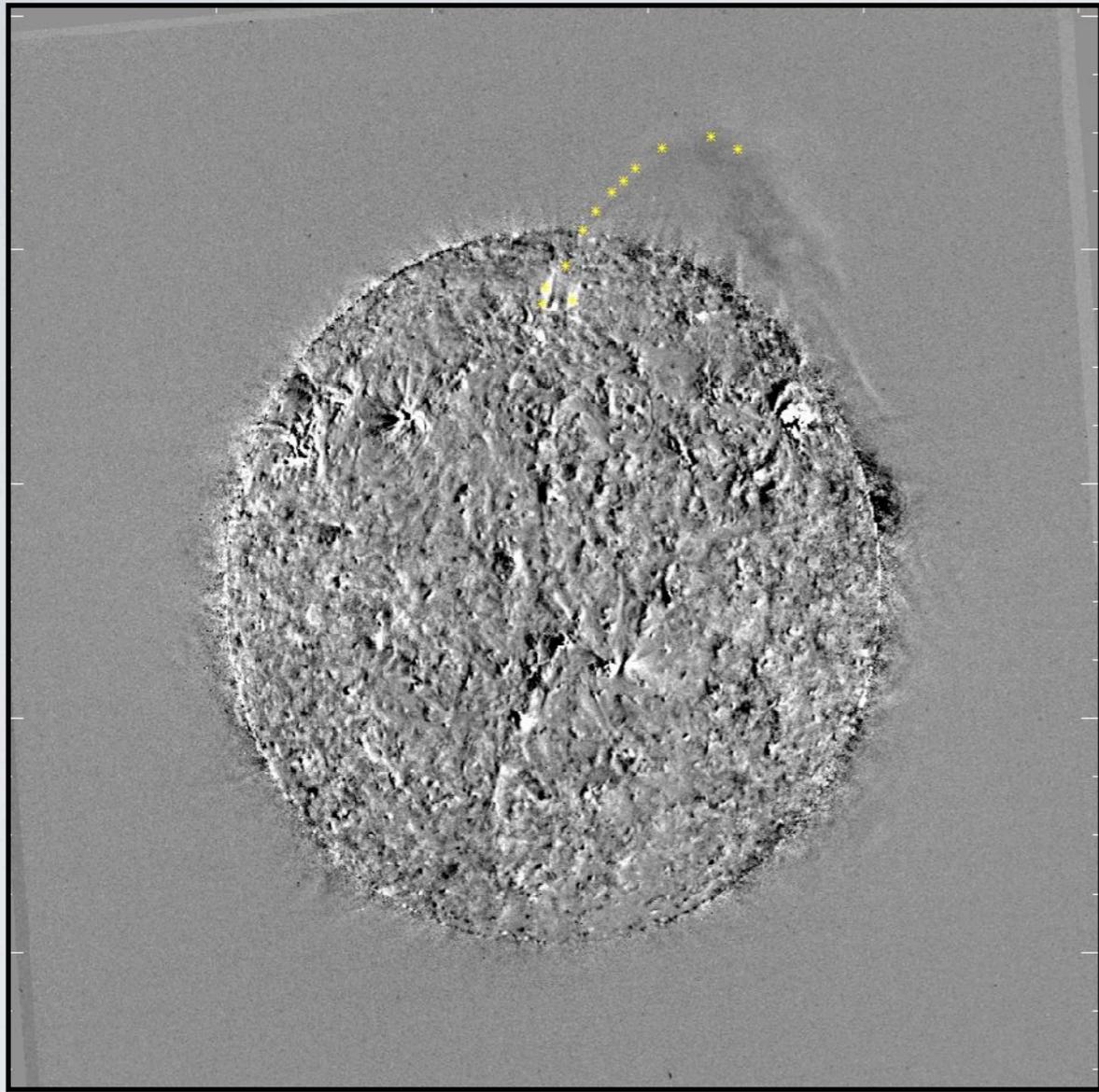
SWAP



STEREO A

# 3D RECONSTRUCTIONS

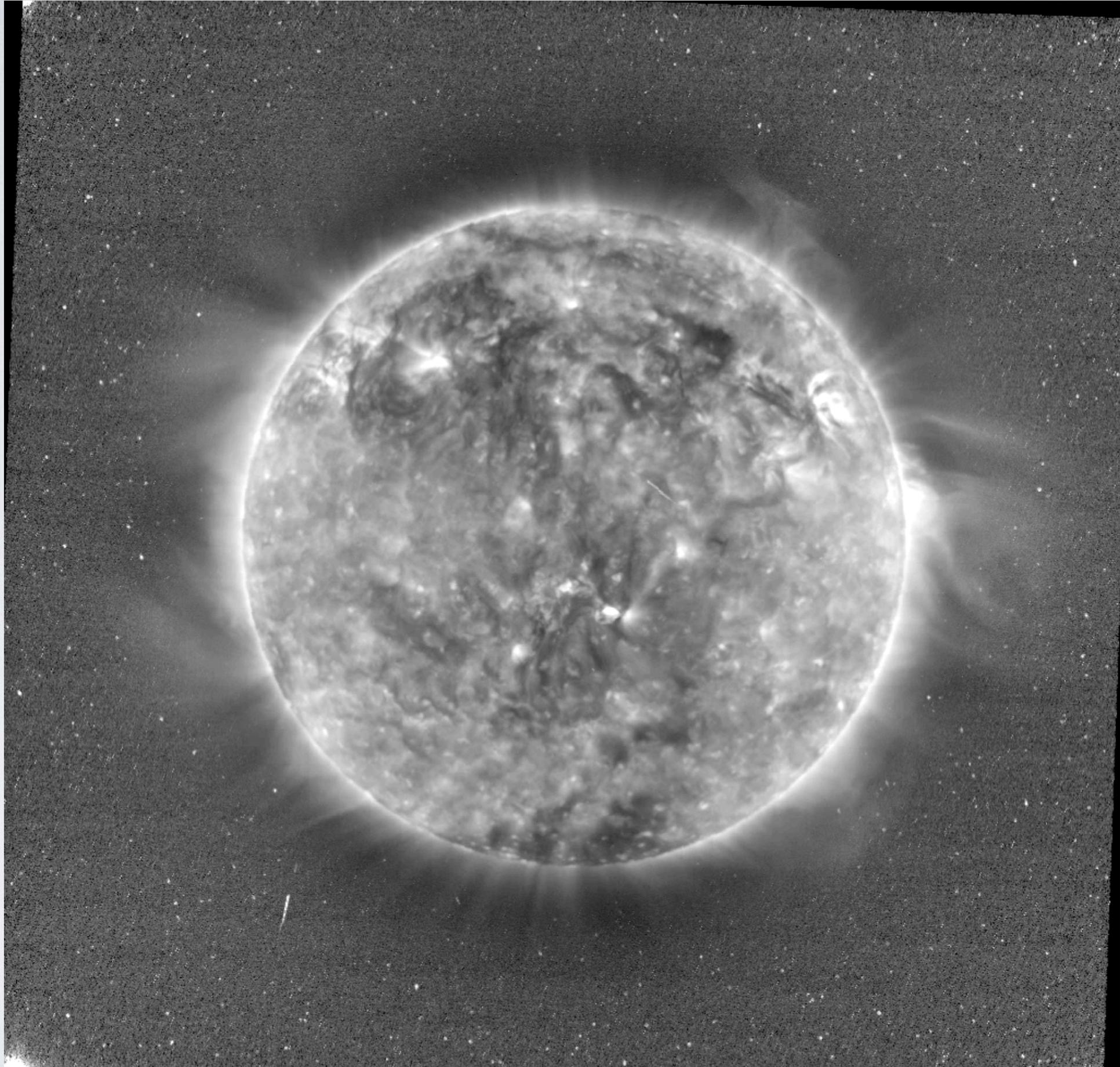
Combining SWAP & STEREO Views



# 3D RECONSTRUCTIONS

Combining SWAP & STEREO Views

# RADIAL FILTERING



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NOW IT'S YOUR TURN...

## **Task:**

Using any of the techniques we've discussed produce a result that reveals something you can't see in the linearly scaled image.

```
IDL> sqrt_image = sqrt(image)
IDL> log_image = alog10(imge)
IDL> filtered_image = median(image, 3)
IDL> hifq_image = image - smooth(image, 10)
IDL> sharp_image = image + hifq_image
IDL> diff_image = image2 - image1
```

# SUPER-ADVANCED DATA ANALYSIS & MANIPULATION

<http://grian.phy.tcd.ie/solarmonitor/objects/swap/>