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Serendipitous infrared observations of Europa by Juno/JIRAM

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Abstract

We performed spectral analyses on four serendipitous observations of Europa acquired by the JIRAM instrument (*Adriani et al., 2017*) onboard the Juno mission. Due to the fixed orientation of the spacecraft spin axis and orbital plane placed along terminator, Europa is observed at approximately 90° phase angle from distances greater than $3.35E5$ km resulting in a best spatial resolution of 80 km/px. The one thousand spectra dataset returned to the ground offers a limited coverage in longitude but an almost complete excursion in latitude from poles to equator. With a 2 to 5 μm spectral range and a sampling of about 10 nm/band, JIRAM reflectance spectra allow extraction of different spectral indicators suitable to characterize surface composition, grain size distribution and temperature: the 2 μm water ice band center appears on average centered at 2.038 μm as a result of the presence of both amorphous and crystalline ice phases and non-ice materials. The reflectance level on the 2.4 μm inflection shoulder is comparable to the maximum absorption on the 2 μm band pointing to the presence of non-ice materials, like magnesium chlorinated or hydrated magnesium salts, mixed with water ice. Assuming water ice as the principal endmember, we estimate the surface regolith grain size by comparing the 2

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28 μm band depth and the ratio between I/F at 3.63 and 2.27 μm (*Filacchione et al.*, 2012). On
29 average, we measure values of 0.6 for the first and 0.1 for the latter: such values are compatible
30 with grain sizes in the range of tens to hundreds of microns. Despite the low signal-to-noise
31 beyond 2.7 μm , due to the intrinsic low-reflectance of Europa's surface and very high phase
32 angle values occurring during the observations, JIRAM is able to measure the wavelength of
33 the reflectance peak around 3.6 μm , which is a proxy of water ice temperature (*Filacchione*
34 *et al.*, 2016a). In the dataset JIRAM has obtained the peak's maximum wavelength occurs at
35 3.64 μm corresponding to a maximum diurnal temperature of 132 K.

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37 1. Introduction

38 Despite the Galilean moons not being among the nominal scientific objectives of NASA's
39 Juno mission to Jupiter (*Bolton and Connerney*, 2017), JIRAM the Jovian InfraRed Auroral
40 Mapper (*Adriani et al.*, 2017) was able to observe the surface of Europa during four opportu-
41 nities. In the context of an overall program of "ocean worlds" exploration, the data returned
42 by JIRAM are valuable for better constraining the characteristics of the moon's surface in the
43 2-5 μm spectral range. In the past, Europa's surface has been spectrally mapped at these
44 wavelengths only by three interplanetary missions. So far, Galileo/NIMS (*Carlson et al.*, 1992)
45 has returned the more comprehensive dataset despite being limited to partial coverage of the
46 surface. These data have allowed mapping of the distribution of non-ice materials, mainly
47 identified as hydrated sulfuric acid, which appear more abundant on the trailing hemisphere
48 (*Carlson et al.*, 2005) and hydrated salts (magnesium sulfates, sodium carbonates) associated
49 with the low-albedo areas (*McCord et al.*, 1998, 1999). Also Cassini/VIMS (*Brown et al.*,
50 2004) during its flyby of Jupiter in 2000 was able to perform limited observations of Europa's
51 surface at low spatial resolution in the 0.35-5.0 μm range (*Brown et al.*, 2003; *McCord et al.*,
52 2004). Similarly, LEISA spectrometer (*Reuter et al.*, 2008) on New Horizon has returned re-

53 solved spectra of Europa’s surface (*Grundy et al.*, 2007) in the 1.2-2.5 μm range. For the
54 future, Europa will be the target of NASA’s Europa Clipper and ESA’s Juice missions, both
55 planned to start their scientific investigations in the 2030 timeframe. These missions will have
56 aboard dedicated infrared mapping spectrometers covering the same spectral range of JIRAM:
57 Europa Clipper/MISE (Mapping Imaging Spectrometer for Europa, described in *Blaney et al.*
58 (2017)) and JUICE/MAJIS (Moon And Jupiter Imaging Spectrometer, detailed in *Langevin*
59 *et al.* (2014)). Since the 2-5 μm spectral range is scarcely accessible from Earth-telescopes,
60 JIRAM data are of special value in providing an advanced look at the kind of spectra these
61 other mission will obtain.

62 A discussion of the current knowledge of Europa’s surface spectral properties is given in
63 section 2. Section 3 contains a description of the JIRAM instrument’s architecture and operative
64 mode necessary for a comprehension of Europa’s observations which are detailed in section 4.
65 After a description of the spectral indicators used to analyze JIRAM data (section 5), the main
66 results relative to compositional properties (section 6), regolith grain size (section 7), water
67 ice amorphization (section 8) and temperature retrieval (section 9) are exposed. A discussion
68 about JIRAM results in the context of previous observations is given in section 10.

69 **2. Background**

70 Europa is one of the four Galilean moons, the regular satellites of Jupiter named after
71 Galileo Galilei who observed them for the first time on the night of January 7th 1610. With
72 an average radius of 1560 km and a geometric albedo of 0.67 (*Buratti et al.*, 1983), Europa is
73 the smallest and the brightest object among the four regular moons. The surface of Europa
74 appears geologically young, with a crust made of water ice and nonice compounds floating
75 above a subsurface liquid ocean (*Greenberg*, 2005).

76 Crossing through the surface are visible dark markings, called linea, and chaos terrains
77 generated by tidal movements below the ice shell with consequent resurfacing and exposure

78 of nonice materials. Infrared spectroscopic measurements have shown that european nonice
79 material has similarities with magnesium salts (*McCord et al.*, 1998, 1999) and sulfuric acid-
80 rich compounds (*Carlson et al.*, 2005). The presence of salts is a clue to the presence of
81 environmental conditions favorable to life in the subsurface ocean (*Fanale et al.*, 2001; *Hand*
82 *et al.*, 2007) while sulfur-bearing compounds could result from radiolytic processes altering
83 endogenous materials (*Carlson et al.*, 1999b, 2002) or magnetospheric particles (*Dalton et al.*,
84 2005, 2012).

85 Galileo/NIMS spectra evidence that water ice is distributed across Europa's surface in both
86 the crystalline and amorphous state (*Carlson et al.*, 2009). Crystalline ice forms in metastable
87 cubic lattice at temperature $140 \leq T \leq 150$ K while disordered amorphous ice forms condense
88 at $T \leq 30$ K (high-density ice phase), $T \leq 100$ K (low-density ice phase) or at $100 \leq T \leq 140$ K
89 (restrained phase). The latter can coexist with the crystalline cubic type when the temperature
90 is $T \leq 140$ K (*Jenniskens et al.*, 1998). With aging, these water ice types eventually mutate into
91 crystalline hexagonal ice with transformation rates that depend on temperature. Within the
92 range of temperatures observed on Europa's surface (minimum nocturnal $T \leq 76$ K; maximum
93 diurnal $T = 132$ K, *Spencer et al.* (1999)), one would expect that all amorphous ice would be
94 transformed into hexagonal ice in less than 20 years (*Jenniskens et al.*, 1998).

95 The crystalline and amorphous water ices can be recognized thanks to their different spectral
96 properties at infrared wavelengths. In particular, the crystalline form is characterized by the
97 presence of a secondary absorption at $1.65 \mu\text{m}$ (missing in the amorphous ice) within the intense
98 $1.5 \mu\text{m}$ band, by the position of the $2.05 \mu\text{m}$ band (shifted at $2.0 \mu\text{m}$ in the amorphous ice) and
99 by the $3.1 \mu\text{m}$ Fresnel's reflectance peak properties. The Fresnel's peak is a restrahlen feature
100 which occurs at wavelengths where the absorption is so strong that the medium reflects the
101 light like a metal. For water ice this feature appears broad and weak for the amorphous phase
102 while is narrower and structured like a triplet for cold crystalline ice (*Hagen et al.*, 1981).

103 As said before, since the Europa's environmental temperature conditions do not allow the

104 survival of amorphous ice, additional mechanisms able to continuously refurbish it must be
105 acting. Amorphous ice can be formed by condensation of sublimated and sputtered molecules
106 and by irradiation from UV, electrons and ions. Many laboratory experiments have investigated
107 how the effects of different kind of radiations at different temperature ranges alter water ice
108 molecular structure (*Moore and Hudson, 1992; Leto and Baratta, 2003; Baragiola, 2003; Leto*
109 *et al., 2005; Mastrapa and Brown., 2006*). However, since the radiation is attenuated within
110 the medium, the resulting amorphization of the ice should occur only on a relatively shallow
111 surface layer. For electrons, for example, theoretical models show that radiation processing
112 occurs up to depths of 1 cm in mid and high latitude regions of Europa and up to 10-20 cm in
113 the radiation lenses centered on the apex of the leading and trailing hemispheres (*Nordheim et*
114 *al., 2018*). This effect must be kept in mind when spectral results are analyzed. The retrieval of
115 the water ice state from infrared spectral properties (k being the complex index of refraction)
116 is complicated because the absorption coefficient $\alpha(\lambda) = 4\pi k(\lambda)/\lambda$ is wavelength-dependent
117 (*Lynch, 2005*). The optical skin depth, $1/\alpha(\lambda)$, which corresponds to unitary optical depth,
118 τ , is less than 1 μm at the wavelength of the Fresnel's peak while at 2 μm is less than 10
119 cm. This means that using these two wavelengths one is probing different depths within the
120 surface layer. A similar behavior is recognizable in *Hansen and McCord (2004)* work who have
121 exploited a simplified spectral modeling to map water ice forms across Europa's surface using
122 Galileo/NIMS data. Their findings show that crystalline water ice is able to fit the 1.5 and
123 2.0 μm bands while amorphous ice is necessary to reproduce the spectral behavior observed on
124 the Fresnel's peak: the fact that amorphous ice is observed almost everywhere across Europa's
125 surface is a strong indication that the Fresnel's peak properties are easily altered by radiations
126 and thermal effects occurring in a very shallow water ice layer. Noteworthy, the Fresnel peak
127 is also influenced when water ice is contaminated by nonice materials, e.g. it is removed in
128 hydrated materials spectra (*Carlson et al., 2009*).

129 New Horizon/LEISA has retrieved the 2 μm water ice band depth and nonice material

130 abundance maps which appear anti-correlated among them: the first is relatively constant,
131 between 35% to 60% in the regions less contaminated by nonice material, while the latter
132 reaches maximum abundance on the apex of the trailing hemisphere (*Grundy et al.*, 2007).
133 While LEISA data are limited in coverage to regions at latitudes $\leq +60^\circ$, a better view of the
134 north polar regions has been achieved by Galileo/NIMS whose data show a water ice enrichment
135 across the north pole bright plains (*Fanale et al.*, 1999). Galileo NIMS has also identified other
136 species like hydrogen peroxide (H_2O_2) by observing a faint absorption band at $3.5 \mu\text{m}$ (*Carlson*
137 *et al.*, 1999a), sulfur dioxide's $4.03 \mu\text{m}$ feature (*McCord et al.*, 1998; *Carlson et al.*, 2009) and
138 CO_2 ice's $4.26 \mu\text{m}$ band (*Hansen and McCord*, 2008). A further absorption at $3.78 \mu\text{m}$, possibly
139 associated to sulfur dioxide, has been observed by NIRSPEC on the Keck II telescope (*Trumbo*
140 *et al.*, 2018).

141 Independent analyses of Europa's infrared spectra (*Hansen and McCord*, 2004; *Dalton et al.*,
142 2012; *Ligier et al.*, 2016) and polarimetric data (*Poch et al.*, 2018) aiming to the retrieval of the
143 regolith grain size have shown a distribution within tens and hundreds of microns. The presence
144 of $>100 \mu\text{m}$ grains make the european surface distinctively different with respect to other icy
145 satellites, like those of Saturn, in which very small grains dominate: according to *Stephan et*
146 *al.* (2010, 2012, 2016); *Scipioni et al.* (2017) the surfaces of the icy satellites of Saturn are
147 populated by submicron and micron ($< 5 \mu\text{m}$) grains. Other authors (*Verbiscer et al.*, 2006;
148 *Filacchione et al.*, 2012; *Ciarniello et al.*, 2011) have found larger grain size distributions ($<$
149 $80 \mu\text{m}$) but still smaller than those on Europa. Similar discrepancies between grain sizes may
150 be due to the different spectral models employed in the retrieval as has been demonstrated by
151 published comparisons (*Hansen*, 2009; *Shkuratov et al.*, 2012; *Ciarniello et al.*, 2014).

152 While ongoing or recent evolution is seen on all Galilean satellites surfaces, including the
153 resurfaced and chaos terrains on Europa, thermal sintering and bombardment of energetic
154 particles induced by the high Jovian temperatures and radiation environment might be the
155 cause of grain coalescence up to hundred of micron sizes. These effects are more important in

156 the Jupiter’s environment than at Saturn where temperature and radiation effects are much
157 lower. Apart from this, Saturn’s satellites orbiting within the E-ring boundaries are also affected
158 by the deposition of fine grains from Enceladus’ plume (*Porco et al.*, 2006) which contribute to
159 replenish micron and submicron grains on their surfaces.

160 When temperatures exceeds 100 K, such as on Europa’s dayside, water ice grains have higher
161 mobility which would cause sintering, coalescence and growth (*Gundlach et al.*, 2018; *Häßner*
162 *et al.*, 2018). A similar mechanism is probable at the base of the formation of the larger grains
163 observed on Europa’s surface but also in other water ice-rich environments, such as the surface
164 of comets (*Filacchione et al.*, 2016b).

165 3. JIRAM instrument

166 JIRAM is an advanced infrared imaging spectrometer and camera operating on board the
167 Juno mission specifically designed to observe Jupiter’s atmosphere (*Adriani et al.*, 2018) and
168 auroral emissions (*Mura et al.*, 2018). The instrument shares a single telescope to feed a 2-
169 5 μm imaging spectrometer and a dual-band infrared camera through a beam splitter. The
170 spectrometer (SPE) spectral sampling is about 10 nm/band across a field of view (FOV) of
171 3.67° . A 2D HgCdTe detector is used to acquire a 256 samples by 336 bands frame. The imager
172 (IMG) relies on a push-frame design in which a single array detector observes the scene through
173 two filters in band L ($\lambda=3.455 \mu\text{m}$, $\Delta\lambda=0.29 \mu\text{m}$) and M ($\lambda=4.780 \mu\text{m}$, $\Delta\lambda=0.48 \mu\text{m}$). The L
174 band is optimized for the observation of Jupiter’s auroral emissions caused by H_3^+ emissions,
175 while the M band is devoted to observe the Jovian atmospheric thermal emission. Both L and
176 M channels have a field of view of $6.2^\circ \times 1.8^\circ$ imaged by means of two adjacent 432×128
177 pixels areas arranged side by side on a 270 by 438 pixels detector. The instantaneous field of
178 view (IFOV) of both IMG and SPE channels is $250 \mu\text{rad/pixel}$ resulting in a spatial resolution
179 of 250 km/pixel from one million km distance. The FOV of the SPE channel is co-located
180 within the IMG-M channel and oriented parallel to the spacecraft spin axis to optimize the

181 coverage. Finally, the instrument uses a passive thermal design to reach cryogenic operating
182 temperatures: two external radiators are used to dissipate thermal loads necessary to maintain
183 the optical bench at $T=130$ K and the two detectors at $T\leq 85$ K. A comprehensive description
184 of the JIRAM instrument is given in *Adriani et al. (2017)*.

185 A major challenge for any imaging instrument onboard a spinning spacecraft is the com-
186 pensation of the rotation during the period of time necessary to acquire an image. In the case
187 of Juno, the spacecraft is a spin axis-stabilized platform with an angular rotation of about 2
188 r.p.m. ($12^\circ/\text{s}$) placed on highly elliptical, 53.5 day-long, polar orbits around Jupiter (*Bolton*
189 *and Connerney, 2017*). Due to operational constraints, JIRAM can operate only in a limited
190 period of time, spanning between -13 to + 2 hours around perijovian passage (occurring at
191 4.200 km above the top of Jupiter’s clouds), when the relative velocity of the spacecraft with
192 respect to Jupiter reaches values as high as 60 km/s. JIRAM is able to counter-compensate
193 the spacecraft’s rotation by means of a controlled de-spinning mirror placed at the entrance
194 of the telescope. The mirror rotation axis is oriented parallel to the spacecraft rotation axis.
195 During acquisition, the de-spinning mirror is commanded to rotate with an angular velocity
196 equal and opposite to the spacecraft one. The spacecraft angular velocity and clock (relative
197 to the condition of nadir pointing on Jupiter) is determined by the onboard attitude control
198 and transmitted to the JIRAM instrument at every spacecraft rotation. The mirror parameters
199 (angular offset, timing and angular velocity) as well as the acquisition parameters of the SPE
200 and IMG channels (timing, integration times, operative modes) are commanded to capture
201 scientific targets when transiting through the instrumental FOV. Thanks to this architecture
202 it is possible to freeze the scene within the FOV for a maximum time of 1.2 s. for each 30 s.
203 long spacecraft rotation. During each rotation JIRAM can acquire one hyperspectral slit in
204 the 2-5 μm spectral range with the SPE channel and one image in L and/or M band with the
205 IMG channel. However, while JIRAM-SPE is in principle able to build in time hyperspectral
206 images, in practice it cannot operate in imaging mode, because the time resolution necessary

207 to acquire consecutive adjacent slits is far beyond the possibilities of the onboard attitude and
208 timing system due to the fast dynamics of the Juno’s spacecraft. A description of JIRAM
209 science planning and commanding activities is given in *Noschese et al.* (under review).

210 Since the spacecraft’s on board attitude system has been designed and optimized to allow
211 scientific observations of Jupiter but not of the Galilean satellites, which are not among the
212 objectives of the Juno mission, the acquisition of Europa’s spectra are particularly challeng-
213 ing. One of the major difficulties encountered is the timing of the observations because the
214 onboard attitude system has been designed to provide the clock of the nadir-pointing condition
215 during each spacecraft rotation only for Jupiter and not for the satellites. This means that to
216 observe them is necessary to compute a priori the time and angle offsets (including margins)
217 to command JIRAM acquisitions. Despite these limitations, JIRAM team has exploited the
218 instrument capabilities far beyond the nominal science cases in order to observe the Galilean
219 moons, resulting in the acquisition of the serendipitous dataset of Europa presented in the next
220 section 4.

221 **4. Dataset and calibration**

222 JIRAM has successfully observed Europa’s surface during Juno’s orbits #2 (August 2nd-3th
223 2016), #8 (September 1st 2017), #9 (October 25th 2017) and #11 (February 8th 2018) when
224 Europa’s orbital position was crossing Juno’s orbital plane. The resulting dataset is listed in
225 Table 1. The duration of the acquisitions, grouped into sessions, is driven by the time necessary
226 to observe a transit of Europa within the JIRAM-SPE field of view. The spectrometer’s data
227 show Europa’s disk crossing the length of the slit from one side to the other. In each session
228 JIRAM has acquired consecutive images and spectra taken once every 30 s, i.e. every spacecraft
229 rotation. Due to the limitations explained in section 3, it was impossible to acquire connected
230 slits to build hyperspectral images; instead they are randomly dispersed across the surface.
231 The geometric parameters for each observation reported in Table 1 are derived from trajectory-

| Session Orbit-Date-Time | Latitude (deg) | | Longitude (deg) | | Incidence (deg) | | Emission (deg) | | Phase (deg) | | Resolution (km/pix) | # spectra |
|----------------------------|----------------|-------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|-------|----------------|------|-------------|------|------------------------|-----------|
| | min | max | min | max | min | max | min | max | min | max | | |
| JM0002_160802_213108 | 22.3 | 27.0 | 133.0 | 144.7 | 88.1 | 98.6 | 27.3 | 29.3 | 86.2 | 86.2 | 1809 | 19 |
| JM0002_160803_010100 | 0.5 | 66.4 | 75.7 | 217.3 | 14.5 | 151.9 | 10.8 | 83.4 | 87.3 | 87.3 | 1781 | 19 |
| JM0081_170901_105708 | 20.6 | 24.0 | 37.4 | 40.8 | 28.5 | 28.5 | 73.4 | 73.4 | 91.5 | 91.5 | 88 | 4 |
| JM0081_170901_110210 | 2.2 | 87.5 | 7.1 | 288.7 | 19.8 | 94.8 | 21.9 | 85.8 | 91.4 | 91.6 | 87 | 3 |
| JM0081_170901_110711 | 2.0 | 82.2 | 12.7 | 357.6 | 28.1 | 160.8 | 16.7 | 78.2 | 91.3 | 91.7 | 87 | 8 |
| JM0081_170901_111213 | -3.6 | 79.3 | 9.9 | 358.7 | 23.6 | 162.6 | 15.5 | 83.7 | 91.4 | 91.9 | 86 | 9 |
| JM0081_170901_111715 | 1.8 | 74.4 | 0.8 | 351.7 | 22.6 | 169.0 | 12.1 | 88.4 | 91.5 | 92.0 | 85 | 10 |
| JM0081_170901_112216 | 7.0 | 72.7 | 3.9 | 356.4 | 25.3 | 169.5 | 11.4 | 82.4 | 91.7 | 92.1 | 84 | 8 |
| JM0081_170901_112718 | 3.9 | 67.9 | 0.2 | 354.0 | 22.5 | 162.7 | 11.0 | 84.7 | 91.8 | 92.3 | 84 | 9 |
| JM0081_170901_113219 | -11.8 | 67.1 | 1.5 | 357.4 | 22.0 | 169.7 | 5.1 | 85.1 | 91.9 | 92.4 | 83 | 7 |
| JM0081_170901_113651 | 4.8 | 77.8 | 3.9 | 352.5 | 30.3 | 158.7 | 23.9 | 76.1 | 92.1 | 92.6 | 83 | 12 |
| JM0081_170901_114152 | 5.3 | 75.1 | 1.0 | 351.4 | 28.5 | 162.9 | 22.3 | 85.8 | 92.2 | 92.7 | 82 | 10 |
| JM0081_170901_114654 | 2.8 | 67.8 | 4.8 | 359.1 | 27.6 | 169.8 | 16.7 | 86.4 | 92.4 | 92.8 | 81 | 9 |
| JM0081_170901_115156 | 7.9 | 67.8 | 3.1 | 357.1 | 30.4 | 161.8 | 17.5 | 85.4 | 92.5 | 93.0 | 81 | 14 |
| JM0081_170901_115657 | 10.5 | 63.8 | 4.0 | 359.5 | 28.0 | 165.3 | 13.4 | 78.5 | 92.7 | 93.1 | 81 | 10 |
| JM0081_170901_120159 | 6.9 | 67.5 | 1.3 | 357.0 | 27.5 | 174.0 | 10.7 | 82.6 | 92.8 | 93.3 | 80 | 7 |
| JM0081_170901_120700 | 9.2 | 68.7 | 0.4 | 356.2 | 72.5 | 172.3 | 10.6 | 80.2 | 93.0 | 93.3 | 80 | 4 |
| JM0091_171025_000341 | -8.4 | -0.4 | 36.4 | 44.2 | 32.1 | 39.9 | 61.4 | 72.3 | 87.8 | 87.9 | 135 | 6 |
| JM0091_171025_001317 | -89.2 | 17.7 | 0.4 | 358.4 | 15.6 | 159.9 | 12.5 | 86.9 | 88.2 | 88.8 | 135 | 24 |
| JM0091_171025_002324 | -87.0 | 25.9 | 4.2 | 358.8 | 7.18 | 156.4 | 2.5 | 87.6 | 89.6 | 90.0 | 135 | 15 |
| JM0091_171025_003331 | -81.2 | 17.2 | 1.5 | 356.4 | 28.8 | 161.3 | 5.6 | 80.8 | 91.0 | 91.3 | 136 | 11 |
| JM0111_180208_054729 | -80.0 | -14.3 | 1.2 | 356.9 | 46.0 | 152.1 | 31.1 | 86.7 | 84.5 | 85.3 | 186 | 42 |
| JM0111_180208_055735 | -84.3 | -19.4 | 0.4 | 358.8 | 37.2 | 151.6 | 26.8 | 85.1 | 85.2 | 86.0 | 186 | 46 |
| JM0111_180208_060741 | -85.8 | -13.8 | 1.8 | 359.3 | 37.4 | 155.1 | 24.2 | 88.4 | 86.0 | 86.7 | 187 | 27 |
| JM0111_180208_061717 | -89.3 | -9.6 | 1.8 | 359.7 | 31.1 | 156.8 | 21.1 | 88.2 | 86.6 | 87.4 | 188 | 51 |
| JM0111_180208_062723 | -88.9 | -17.8 | 0.4 | 359.8 | 38.7 | 158.2 | 19.9 | 81.6 | 87.4 | 88.1 | 188 | 36 |

Table 1: List of Europa’s JIRAM-SPE observations and geometry parameters.

reconstructed SPICE kernels (*Acton, 1996*). All Europa observations are acquired with the maximum integration time of 1.2 s. Noteworthy, attitude-reconstructed SPICE kernels for the Juno mission do not include spacecraft’s nutation and precession effects, resulting in further uncertainty in the retrieval of the instrumental FOV position on Europa’s surface. In addition, JIRAM-IMG has collected multiple images covering the entire disk of Europa (see Fig. 2 for an example) at the same time of the SPE acquisitions. Within the JIRAM dataset the minimum and maximum altitude of Juno from Europa ranges between 3.3E5 km and 7.6E6 km corresponding to spatial resolution between 80 and 1809 km/pixel, respectively. Due to the characteristics of Juno’s trajectory, Europa is always observed by JIRAM with a solar phase angle of approximately 90°.

The aforementioned limitations in retrieving georeferenced data prevent us from producing

243 maps with accurate locations of JIRAM-SPE pixels. Thus, our results are discussed in terms
 244 of localization across wide sectors of Europa’s surface, being only capable of identifying the
 245 position of the illuminated pixels at hemispheric scale. The regions of the surface visible from
 246 Juno at the time of JIRAM acquisitions are reported in Fig. 1. The observations taken during
 247 orbits JM0002-JM0081 contain data collected above the northern hemisphere while the second
 248 two (JM0091-JM0111) are mainly taken above the southern regions. During orbit JM0002
 249 JIRAM has achieved a good coverage above the northern/antijovian hemisphere despite those
 250 data being limited by the worst spatial resolution of the dataset (1781-1809 km/pixel). The
 251 northern/jovian hemisphere together with a portion of the trailing hemisphere are both covered
 252 during orbit JM0081 with the best spatial resolution of the dataset (80-88 km/pixel). The
 253 coverage achieved during orbits JM0091-JM0111 is limited around lon=0° from the equatorial
 254 regions to the south pole with spatial resolution of 135-188 km/pixel.

255 The raw signal of each JIRAM acquisition is corrected pixel by pixel for the instrument
 256 background and detector’s dark current noises measured on a deep sky field with the same
 257 integration time of the science data. The onboard software operates automatically the sub-
 258 traction of the noises before the data are transmitted on-ground (*Adriani et al., 2017*). With
 259 respect to the standard JIRAM calibration pipeline that produces data calibrated in units of
 260 spectral radiance, the SPE data are further processed to: 1) remove the non-linear readout
 261 noise (high frequency noise between odd and even spectral bands) introduced by the detector’s
 262 multiplexer (*Filacchione et al., 2007*); 2) to convert radiance into I/F units. The odd-even
 263 effect is removed by applying the following correction on the spectral radiance R measured at
 264 band b :

$$R_c(b) = \frac{R(b) + \frac{R(b-1)+R(b+1)}{2}}{2} \quad (1)$$

265 The resulting corrected radiance, R_c , is used to derive the I/F at wavelength λ :

$$\frac{I}{F}(\lambda) = \frac{4\pi D^2 R_c(\lambda)}{SI(\lambda)} \quad (2)$$

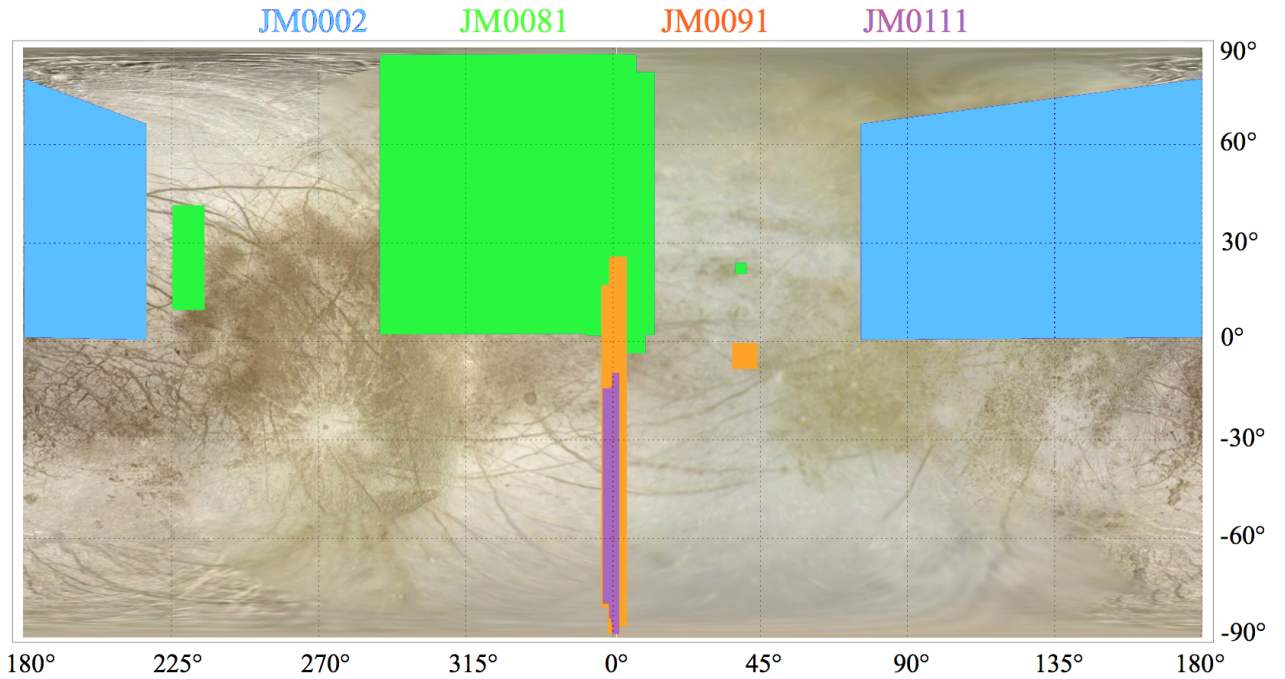


Figure 1: Europa’s surface coverage on the JIRAM-SPE dataset shown on a cylindrical map of the satellite. The fraction of the surface containing the positions of JIRAM’s slit projections during orbits JM0002 (rendered in blue color), JM0081 (green), JM0091 (orange) and JM0111 (purple) is shown. The base map is derived from Voyager and Galileo images (by Björn Jonsson, available from <http://www.mmedia.is/bjj/>).

266 where $SI(\lambda)$ is the solar irradiance measured at 1 AU (*Kurucz*, 1994) and D is Europa’s
 267 heliocentric distance (in AU) at the time of the observation.

268 With the scope to optimize the spectral analysis, we have filtered Europa’s spectra by
 269 selecting only the ones having $I/F(2.227 \mu\text{m}) \geq 0.01$. This selection allows to remove low-
 270 signal spectra like the ones across limb or terminator where JIRAM pixels are only partially
 271 filled. As a result of this filtering, the initial dataset of about one thousand I/F spectra is
 272 reduced to 419 spectra shown as a spectrogram in Fig. 2. The spectrogram shows the I/F
 273 spectra normalized at $2.227 \mu\text{m}$ and stacked together. The number of I/F spectra available for
 274 each observation is reported in Table 1. Europa’s spectrogram appears highly uniform, showing

275 the intense water ice absorptions at $2 \mu\text{m}$ and at $2.8\text{-}2.9 \mu\text{m}$ on each spectrum. At wavelengths
 276 longer than $3 \mu\text{m}$ the I/F is in general noisier than at shorter wavelengths due to the intrinsic
 277 low reflectance of the surface and worse instrumental sensitivity.

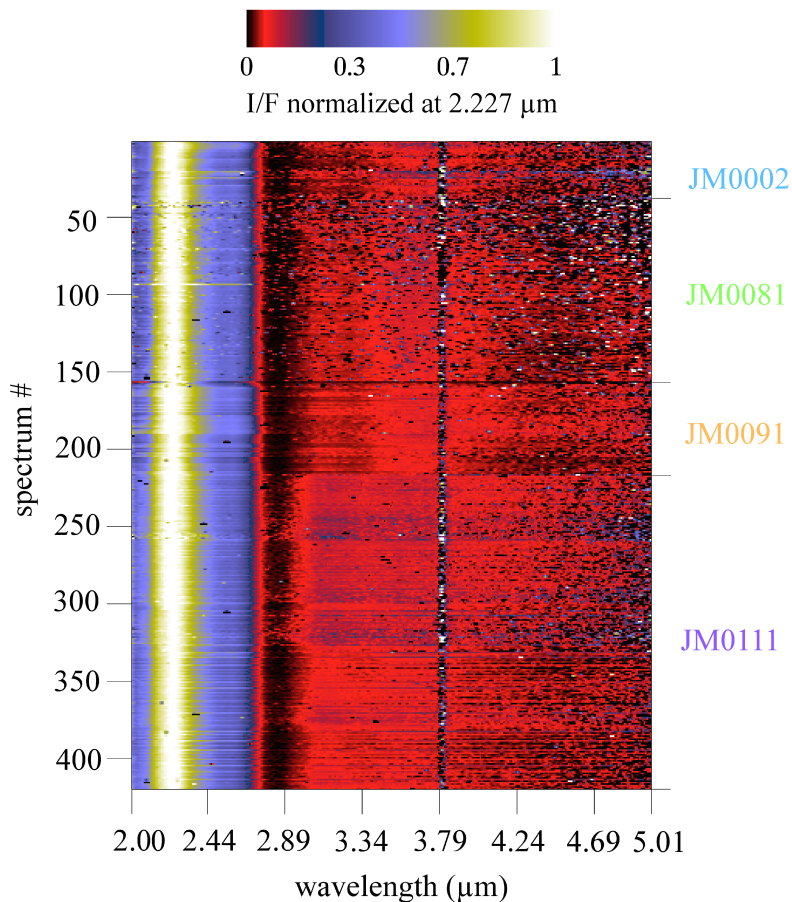


Figure 2: Europa's dataset spectrogram from JIRAM-SPE. Spectral axis is shown along the horizontal axis. The 419 observations listed in Table 1 are stacked along the vertical axis (observation number and Juno's orbits boundaries are shown on the left and right, respectively). The noise visible around $3.80 \mu\text{m}$ on all spectra is a residual caused by the instrumental order sorting filters junction. The I/F spectra shown in the next Fig. 3-central panel correspond to spectra #1-19 visible on the top of the spectrogram.

278 From the spectrogram is possible to retrieve single I/F spectra as horizontal profiles. As

279 an example, the median I/F of Europa derived from 19 spectra selected from the first session
 280 of the dataset (observation JM0002_160802_213108) is shown in Fig. 3-top panel. The single
 281 I/F spectra used to compute the median spectrum are reported in the central panel. The
 282 instrumental noise affecting JIRAM data is computed by comparing the measured spectral
 283 radiance with respect to the noise-equivalent spectral radiance (NESR). The NESR gives the
 284 minimum spectral radiance in $W/(m^2 \mu m sr)$ corresponding to 1 DN as measured by the
 285 instrument at operative temperature conditions. The JIRAM NESR shown in Fig. 3-bottom
 286 panel is defined as:

$$NESR = \frac{STDEV(D(\lambda) + B(\lambda))}{Resp(\lambda)} \quad (3)$$

287 where $D(\lambda)$ is the dark current, $B(\lambda)$ is the background signal (equivalent to the sky) and
 288 $Resp(\lambda)$ is the instrument responsivity at wavelength (λ). These quantities are averages com-
 289 puted along the slit on all spatial samples. The determination of the instrument's responsivity is
 290 detailed in *Adriani et al.* (2017). The instrumental noise shown in Fig. 3 is computed from the
 291 ratio between Europa's median radiance and NESR. The noise on the I/F spectra is negligible
 292 between 2 and 2.7 μm where the Europa's flux is high and the instrument NESR is minimum.
 293 On the contrary, the noise progressively increases at longer wavelengths where Europa's flux is
 294 low and instrument sensitivity is worse.

295 A direct comparison of JIRAM and Galileo/NIMS data is complicated by the sparseness
 296 and spatial resolution of the available datasets. In Fig. 3-top panel we compare a JIRAM obser-
 297 vation at high latitudes with a similar I/F spectrum by NIMS averaged above the north polar
 298 region (Hansen, G., personal communication, 2003). NIMS data are selected from Galileo's
 299 orbit G1 and include the north pole and bright limb (around $lon=330^\circ$). Differently from
 300 JIRAM observations, NIMS data were acquired at lower phase angle ($\approx 31^\circ$), with incidence
 301 angles varying from 4° to 84° and with emission angles from 3° to 84° . While the two spectra
 302 are remarkably similar between 2.227 and 2.7 μm , the 2 μm water ice band appears stronger
 303 in JIRAM than on NIMS spectrum. This could be a consequence of the different phase angle

304 between the two datasets (31° for NIMS, 90° for JIRAM) but we cannot exclude intrinsic dif-
 305 ferences between the composition of the two areas observed by JIRAM and NIMS since they
 306 do not match exactly. Both theoretical studies (*Hapke*, 1993; *Ciarniello et al.*, 2014) and ob-
 307 servations of icy surfaces (*Filacchione et al.*, 2014, 2016a) have shown how the intensity of the
 308 infrared bands depends on phase angle. This is consequence of the fact that the efficiency of the
 309 multiple scattering, on which depends the intensity of the continuum level, is driven by phase
 310 angle and surface roughness. Conversely, the intensity of the absorption features is driven by
 311 the single scattering which is much less sensitive to illumination condition changes. From the
 312 theory of phase function described in *Grady and Veverka* (1986) is known that the band depth
 313 decreases at low and at high phases, while it is almost constant across a wide range of phases,
 314 typically between 30° - 40° and 100° - 120° (depending on composition and grain size). In this
 315 range of phase angles the single scattering regime dominates throughout the entire absorption
 316 band. Conversely, at low phase angles ($<30^\circ$ - 40°) the band depth decreases because the mul-
 317 tiple scattering becomes predominant on the continuum, where albedo is higher but it is less
 318 effective at the band center where albedo is low and single scattering continue to prevail (*Hapke*,
 319 1993). At high phase angles ($>100^\circ$ - 120°), forward/multiple scattering prevails again on the
 320 continuum resulting in a significative decrease of the band depth. Due to the higher phase
 321 angle, JIRAM observations are therefore much less affected by multiple scattering than NIMS.
 322 Similar considerations are valid also to explain the higher I/F observed at longer wavelengths
 323 in the NIMS spectrum with respect to JIRAM's. Finally, a spectral shift of about 30 nm is
 324 seen between the two spectra: the position of the $2 \mu\text{m}$ band minimum, the peak at $2.227 \mu\text{m}$
 325 and the feature at $2.541 \mu\text{m}$ appear shifted towards shorter wavelengths on NIMS spectrum.
 326 This shift is probably caused or by the low spectral sampling mode used in this specific NIMS
 327 observation or by a different nonice fraction between the two datasets.

328 Since single spectra are frequently marred by spikes caused by the harsh radiation environ-
 329 ment and by the low SNR long wards $2.7 \mu\text{m}$ (see Fig. 3-central panel), we compute median

330 I/F spectra grouping all single spectra taken during the four orbits JM0002, JM0081, JM0091,
331 JM0111 (Fig. 4). Taking advantage of the wide excursion in latitude covered by the JIRAM
332 dataset (Fig. 1 and Table 1) during these orbits, different areas of Europa’s surface can be
333 compared among them by means of the following spectral characteristics:

- 334 1. the shape of the 2 μm water ice band around its minimum is broader on northern hemi-
335 sphere (orbits JM0002 and JM0081) than of the southern hemisphere observations (orbits
336 JM0081 and JM0111);
- 337 2. the intensity of the continuum level at 2.541 μm decreases moving from northern to
338 southern hemisphere data. Also the sharpness of the inflection around 2.541 μm follows
339 a similar trend;
- 340 3. the intensity of the 3.1 μm peak is fainter on the northern hemisphere data while becomes
341 more intense on the southern hemisphere spectra;
- 342 4. conversely, the broad continuum peak at 3.5-3.6 μm is stronger than the 3.1 μm feature
343 on spectra taken during orbits JM0002, JM0081 and JM0091 while it is less intense on
344 JM0111 data;
- 345 5. JM0002 median I/F spectrum shows a faint absorption band centered at 3.5 μm com-
346 patible with a similar feature first detected by Galileo/NIMS (*Carlson et al.*, 1999a)
347 and assigned to hydrogen peroxide (H_2O_2). However, this feature is not recognizable in
348 the rest of the JIRAM dataset suggesting or a H_2O_2 distribution preferentially localized
349 within the area observed during JM0002 (northern/antijovian hemisphere) or a spurious
350 detection.

351 The implications of these spectral characteristics is discussed next.

352 5. Spectral Indicators

353 Starting from the characteristics and variability of the JIRAM spectral dataset we have
354 discussed in the previous section, a set of six spectral indicators is employed to describe the

355 physical state and composition of Europa’s surface. These indicators are the same previously
 356 used and validated for the analysis of Saturn’s ice satellites and rings data acquired by VIMS on
 357 Cassini (*Filacchione et al.*, 2007, 2010, 2012, 2016a) and are applicable, with some precautions,
 358 also for Europa, water ice being one of the principal spectral endmembers:

- 359 1. $2 \mu\text{m}$ band center wavelength, $\lambda_{BC}(2 \mu\text{m})$, is used as a proxy of the water ice amor-
 360 phous/crystalline state and of the non-ice material composition;
- 361 2. $2 \mu\text{m}$ band depth, $BD(2 \mu\text{m})$, is a proxy of water ice and non-ice material abundance,
 362 and regolith grain size distribution.
- 363 3. Ratio $I/F(2.541 \mu\text{m}) / I/F(2.020 \mu\text{m})$ is a proxy of the abundance of the non ice material;
- 364 4. Ratio $I/F(3.100 \mu\text{m}) / I/F(2.847 \mu\text{m})$ is another proxy of the surficial water ice amor-
 365 phous/crystalline state;
- 366 5. Ratio $I/F(3.630 \mu\text{m}) / I/F(2.227 \mu\text{m})$ is a proxy of water ice grain size;
- 367 6. Wavelength of the I/F peak around $3.6 \mu\text{m}$, $\lambda(3.6 \mu\text{m})$, is a proxy of water ice temperature.

368 The wavelengths used to define these indicators are marked in Fig. 3. Unfortunately, because
 369 the JIRAM spectral range starts from $2.0 \mu\text{m}$, it is not possible to resolve the short-wavelength
 370 wing of the water ice band but only its minimum. As a consequence, we derive the $\lambda_{BC}(2 \mu\text{m})$
 371 by fitting JIRAM data in the $2.0\text{-}2.2 \mu\text{m}$ with a 3^{rd} -degree fit. The I/F_{min} corresponding to
 372 the $\lambda_{BC}(2 \mu\text{m})$ is then used to compute the $BD(2 \mu\text{m})$ as

$$BD(2 \mu\text{m}) = 1 - \frac{I/F_{min}}{I/F(2.227 \mu\text{m})} \quad (4)$$

373 We remark that the spectral indicators we are using are calibrated with respect to pure water
 374 ice grains. In presence of nonice materials mixed with water ice, both the absorption bands and
 375 continuum properties will change. For this reason in the following we are using the spectral
 376 indicators as ”proxy” of water ice grain properties, water ice being the dominant endmember
 377 of Europa’s surface and where water ice does not dominate, these proxies should be taken with
 378 caution. We are using a similar approach because JIRAM spectral range is limited in the 2-5

379 μm where is not possible to unambiguously retrieve nonice material composition. To achieve
380 this it is necessary to explore Europa's surface with a more wide spectral range, including
381 visible and near infrared wavelengths where diagnostic features are located, and with a much
382 higher spatial resolution to better resolve nonice material endmembers. In the next sections a
383 discussion of the results obtained from the analysis of the spectral indicators derived from each
384 spectrum of the dataset is given.

385 6. Composition

386 The possibility of inferring Europa's surface composition is limited by JIRAM's 2-5 μm
387 spectral range, which has been optimized to study Jupiter's atmosphere (*Adriani et al.*, 2018)
388 and auroral emissions (*Mura et al.*, 2018). The lack of the VIS-NIR range makes JIRAM much
389 less diagnostic of a comprehensive characterization of ice surface composition. Within these
390 limits, JIRAM data are however valuable because they offer spatial coverage above both polar
391 regions, albeit at coarse spatial resolution, which were largely unexplored by previous missions
392 and are unaccessible from Earth-based observations. The JIRAM median I/F spectra (Fig. 3-
393 4) are dominated by the presence of the intense 2.0 and 3.0 μm water ice bands. The water ice
394 Fresnel's peak at 3.1 μm appears to be low-contrast across the entire dataset. JIRAM spectra
395 show similarities with synthetic spectra of water ice simulated by means of *Hapke* (1993) theory
396 following the method described in *Raponi et al.* (2016). The spectral simulations are performed
397 using crystalline water ice optical constants measured at 130 K (*Mastrapa et al.*, 2008, 2009)
398 assuming a phase function $p(g)=0.5$ (*Clark et al.*, 2012) and a phase angle $g=90^\circ$ in order to
399 match JIRAM observational conditions. The resulting reflectance spectra for nine grain sizes
400 between 10 μm and 1 cm are shown in Fig. 5-left panel. Laboratory reflectance spectra of three
401 frozen eutectic chlorine salts (MgCl_2 , NaCl , KCl) measured at $T=-30^\circ\text{C}$ (*Hanley et al.*, 2014)
402 are reported for comparison in Fig. 5-right panel. *Shirley et al.* (2010) have retrieved the surface
403 composition of different units finding that ridged plains are compatible with ternary mixtures

404 of water ice (46%), hydrated sulfuric acid (27%) and hydrated salts (27%) while smooth low
405 albedo plains are made of hydrated salts (62%), hydrated sulfuric acid (27%) and water ice
406 (10%).

407 Apart from the variability caused by the grain size, that we will discuss in the next section,
408 pure water ice is not able to fully reproduce Europa's data: this is particularly evident when
409 comparing the intensity of the reflectance in the 2 μm band absorption with the inflection of the
410 continuum at 2.5 μm . Other than large cm-sized grains, the ratio $I/F(2.541 \mu\text{m}) / I/F(2.020$
411 $\mu\text{m})$ is always positive and much larger than 1 on water ice synthetic spectra (Fig. 5-left panel).
412 This is the typical case observed in Saturn's ice satellites and rings spectra (*Filacchione et al.*,
413 2012) where water ice is the dominant endmember. Conversely, in Europa spectra this ratio is
414 systematically lower and distributed with an average value of about 1 in the JIRAM dataset
415 (Fig. 6). To reproduce a similar behavior it is necessary to introduce additional endmembers,
416 such as chlorinated salts, hydrated sulfates, sulfate brines, and hydrated sulfuric acid, which
417 are able to reduce the reflectance at 2.5 μm to the same value of the 2 μm band (Fig. 5-right
418 panel).

419 Moving from orbit JM0002 to JM0111 a decreasing trend is observed in the ratio series:
420 observations acquired in the northern hemisphere and equatorial areas during orbits JM0002
421 (blue points) and JM0081 (green) are those with the larger ratio value (≈ 1.15 to 1.25), indi-
422 cating a lower abundance of contaminant. The maximum amount of contaminant is measured
423 across the southern hemisphere and equatorial region observed during orbits JM0091 (orange)
424 and #11 (magenta sector) where the average ratio is ≈ 1 .

425 7. Grain size

426 The dimension of pure water ice regolith grains can be derived from the measurement of
427 the $I/F(3.630 \mu\text{m}) / I/F(2.227 \mu\text{m})$ ratio and from the $BD(2 \mu\text{m})$. The values of these spectral
428 indicators as a function of the grain size is calibrated starting from the synthetic water ice

| Grain size | $\frac{I/F(3.630 \mu\text{m})}{I/F(2.227 \mu\text{m})}$ | BD(2 μm) |
|-------------------|---|----------------------|
| 10 μm | 0.31 | 0.50 |
| 30 μm | 0.15 | 0.69 |
| 50 μm | 0.10 | 0.77 |
| 80 μm | 0.07 | 0.84 |
| 100 μm | 0.05 | 0.86 |
| 200 μm | 0.03 | 0.93 |
| 0.2 cm | 0.15 | 0.90 |
| 0.5 cm | 0.54 | 0.64 |

Table 2: Reference values of $I/F(3.630 \mu\text{m}) / I/F(2.227 \mu\text{m})$ ratio and $\text{BD}(2 \mu\text{m})$ as function of grain size for water ice. Values are derived from synthetic spectra computed at phase 90° and temperature $T=130 \text{ K}$ shown in Fig. 5-left panel.

429 spectra shown in Fig. 5-left panel and tabulated in Table 2.

430 As shown in Fig. 7-top panel, the $I/F(3.630 \mu\text{m}) / I/F(2.227 \mu\text{m})$ ratio is almost constant
431 across the entire JIRAM dataset and is dispersed with a median value of 0.079 which, according
432 to Table 2, is compatible with grain sizes of 50-80 μm and $\approx 0.5 \text{ cm}$. The $\text{BD}(2 \mu\text{m})$ distribution
433 (Fig. 7-bottom panel) shows a small decrease moving from northern to southern latitudes, which
434 could indicate a prevalence of smaller grains on the latter. The dataset has a median value of
435 0.60 which is compatible with small 10-30 μm or large 0.5 cm grain sizes.

436 The $I/F(3.630 \mu\text{m}) / I/F(2.227 \mu\text{m})$ ratio and $\text{BD}(2 \mu\text{m})$ values we have measured on the
437 JIRAM dataset are compatible with both tens of microns and fraction of centimeter grains
438 sizes. A similar degeneracy is due to the trend characterizing the two indicators as a function
439 of the grain size (Fig. 8-left panel). Theoretical points are in fact aligned along two parallel
440 branches converging on the inversion point placed at $\text{BD}(2 \mu\text{m})=0.93$ that corresponds to 200
441 μm grain size. Two almost parallel branches describe the small (tens to hundred of microns)
442 and large (fraction of centimeter) grains at lower band depths: the former are placed along

443 lower I/F(3.630 μm) / I/F(2.227 μm) ratio values, the latter at higher values. The majority of
444 JIRAM data (Fig. 8-right panel) are distributed along the lower branch pointing to small (<200
445 μm) grain sizes, but a fraction of them is along the upper branch, which implies compatibility
446 with large (>200 μm) grain sizes.

447 Thanks to the availability of two spectral indicators which rely on the properties of the
448 scattering of the continuum (the I/F(3.630 μm) / I/F(2.227 μm) ratio) and on the strength
449 of the absorption (the 2 μm band depth), we can conclude that the size distribution on the
450 surface of Europa is dominated by grains tens to hundreds of microns in size with a possible
451 smaller fraction of millimeters size grains.

452 We need to interpret these results with caution: on the one hand the presence of non ice
453 materials can significantly change the values of the spectral indicators which in our analysis are
454 based on pure water ice composition. The fact that both indicators converge on similar grain
455 size values is a significant result, showing that the nonice material is not influencing too much
456 the water ice reflectance at these wavelengths. On the contrary, the presence of millimeter-
457 sized grains, while compatible with the spectral indicators, appears to be inconsistent with
458 the properties of the synthetic spectra shown in Fig. 5 which are characterized by an intense
459 saturation of the 2 μm band and by low levels of continuum. Similar properties are not seen
460 in the average spectra of Europa.

461 8. Water ice amorphization

462 The environmental conditions necessary to maintain water ice in both crystalline and amor-
463 phous states exist on the surface of Europa: the amorphous phase is produced from radiolysis
464 of crystalline ice by high energy electrons and ions from Jupiter's magnetosphere (*Carlson et*
465 *al.*, 2009) and from condensation of sublimated and sputtered molecules (*Baragiola*, 2003). As
466 reported in *Nordheim et al.* (2018), the areas of the surface more altered by radiation are those
467 located within the two equatorial "lenses" centered on the apex of the leading and trailing hemi-

468 spheres and extending in latitude up to about $\pm 40^\circ$. According to these simulations, along the
 469 jovian meridian the two radiation lenses have the lower extension in latitude, about $\pm 15^\circ$ from
 470 equator. This is the region mainly observed by JIRAM, especially during orbits JM0091 and
 471 JM0111. We would expect, therefore, a prevalence of the amorphous phase in the equatorial
 472 regions rather than on the polar areas where the crystalline form would be more abundant. In
 473 the infrared range sensed by JIRAM, the two water ice forms can be recognized by measuring
 474 the position of the $2 \mu\text{m}$ band center and the relative intensity of the $3.1 \mu\text{m}$ Fresnel peak.
 475 As laboratory measurements by *Leto et al.* (2005) and *Mastrapa et al.* (2008) have shown, the
 476 center of the $2.0 \mu\text{m}$ absorption band is strongly influenced by the amorphous and crystalline
 477 phases. While for crystalline ice the center of the $\lambda_{BC}(2 \mu\text{m})$ is temperature-dependent, shift-
 478 ing from $2.02 \mu\text{m}$ at $T=20 \text{ K}$ to $2.05 \mu\text{m}$ at $T=155 \text{ K}$ (*Grundy and Schmitt*, 1998), for the
 479 amorphous phase $\lambda_{BC}(2 \mu\text{m}) = 2.00 \mu\text{m}$ independent of temperature. Within the limit of the
 480 JIRAM spectral range, we compute the $\lambda_{BC}(2 \mu\text{m})$ by fitting JIRAM data in the $2.0\text{-}2.2 \mu\text{m}$
 481 range with a 3^{rd} -degree fit. The resulting distribution of the $\lambda_{BC}(2 \mu\text{m})$ indicator is shown
 482 in Fig. 9-top panel. The distribution of the measurements has a median value of $2.05 \mu\text{m}$ on
 483 JM0002 data and $2.04 \mu\text{m}$ on JM0081, JM0091 and JM0111 orbits datasets. For pure water ice
 484 composition this corresponds to a prevalence of the crystalline form in the northern/antijovian
 485 hemisphere (JM002) and a larger presence of amorphous form in the northern/jovian (JM0081)
 486 and in the southern/jovian hemisphere regions (JM0091 and JM0111 orbits) in agreement with
 487 the analysis of telescopic spectral data performed by *Ligier et al.* (2016). These results partially
 488 match with the presence of amorphous water ice across the equatorial region as predicted by
 489 magnetospheric models: the majority of observations with the shortest $\lambda_{BC}(2 \mu\text{m})$ occur in
 490 orbit JM0111, where JIRAM has observed the south-equator region along the jovian merid-
 491 ian. As discussed in section 2, at $2 \mu\text{m}$ photons can penetrate the ice down to about 10 cm
 492 and for this reason the $\lambda_{BC}(2 \mu\text{m})$ is sensitive to the ice form within this depth. In order to
 493 better evaluate the amorphization of the surface it is possible to use the ratio $I/F(3.100 \mu\text{m})$

494 / I/F(2.847 μm) as a further proxy. At 3.1 μm the water ice acts like a reflector and the
 495 photons are probing a very shallow (submicron) layer of the surface. The ratio measures the
 496 intensity of the 3.1 μm Fresnel’s peak with respect to the maximum absorption at 2.847 μm .
 497 As laboratory studies have demonstrated, the intensity of the Fresnel’s peak is much higher on
 498 crystalline water ice than on amorphous ice (*Mastrapa et al.*, 2009). A qualitative analysis of
 499 the JIRAM data distribution, shown in Fig. 9-bottom panel, evidences that the ratio increases
 500 from a median value of 3.8 in JM0002 orbit data to 4.5 in JM0081, to 5.6 in JM0091, to 7.1 in
 501 JM0111. The maximum amorphization on the surface, as indicated by the lower ratio values,
 502 is therefore observed on the northern hemisphere.

503 9. Temperature

504 The last spectral indicator we have measured is the wavelength of the I/F peak around
 505 3.6 μm , $\lambda(3.6 \mu\text{m})$, which in pure water ice depends on the temperature of the sample. This
 506 technique has been used to retrieve diurnal temperatures of Saturn’s ice satellites (*Filacchione*
 507 *et al.*, 2016a) and rings (*Filacchione et al.*, 2014). When water ice cools down the minimum
 508 of the imaginary index k at about 3.6 μm shifts towards shorter wavelengths (*Mastrapa et al.*,
 509 2009). Laboratory measurements on small water ice grains observed under standard illumi-
 510 nation conditions (phase 30°) by *Clark et al.* (2012) have shown that the 3.6 μm reflectance
 511 peak shifts in wavelength from 3.675 μm for a sample temperature of $T=172 \text{ K}$ to 3.58 μm at
 512 $T=88 \text{ K}$. This corresponds to a spectral shift of about 90 nm (10 JIRAM spectral bands) in the
 513 3.6 μm continuum peak feature. At intermediate temperatures, $T=123 \text{ K}$ and $T=131 \text{ K}$, the
 514 peak’s wavelength is placed at 3.62 μm and 3.65 μm , respectively. We compute the $\lambda(3.6 \mu\text{m})$
 515 as the wavelength of the maximum I/F fitted by means of a 2nd-degree fit in the 3.3-4.0 μm
 516 spectral range. The bands corresponding to the position of the instrumental order sorting filter
 517 at about 3.8 μm have been filtered out. Despite the low signal to noise ratio in this spectral
 518 range, which causes a large dispersion in the fitted data, JIRAM data are dispersed around a

519 median value of $3.573 \mu\text{m}$ which corresponds to diurnal temperature of 88 K. This is the average
520 temperature retrieved from observations taken along terminator ($\approx 90^\circ$ phase angle, see Table
521 1). Averaging the observations during the four single orbits (Fig. 4), this method gives peak
522 positions of $3.620 \mu\text{m}$ or ≈ 124 K on JM0002 (northern/antijovian hemisphere), $3.586 \mu\text{m}$ or
523 ≈ 89 K on JM0081 (northern/jovian hemisphere), $3.643 \mu\text{m}$ or ≈ 132 K on JM0091 and 3.537
524 μm or $\ll 88$ K on JM0111 (both on southern/jovian hemisphere). This variability is probably
525 the result of the different spatial resolution of JIRAM observations along the four orbits (see
526 Fig. 1). Noteworthy, the range of temperature retrieved by JIRAM ($\ll 88$ K to 132 K) is in
527 good agreement with previous results by *Spencer et al.* (1999). Finally, since this method is
528 valid for reflectance data it can be used only to retrieve diurnal temperatures.

529 10. Conclusions

530 Spectral indicators applied to JIRAM data have permitted inference of information about
531 composition, regolith grain size, water ice form and temperature across broad swaths of Europa's
532 surface. The surface composition appears dominated by water ice contaminated by the presence
533 of non-ice endmembers, like hydrated salts and acid-rich compounds, necessary to equalize the
534 ratio of the I/F within the $2 \mu\text{m}$ band to the $2.5 \mu\text{m}$ continuum. Purer water ice is observed
535 by JIRAM on the northern hemisphere than on the southern along the jovian meridian. Water
536 ice appears in both crystalline and amorphous forms: a prevalence of the first is obtained from
537 the $2 \mu\text{m}$ band center wavelength on the northern hemisphere while the latter prevails when
538 analyzing the properties of the $3.1 \mu\text{m}$ Fresnel peak. This result further evidences the different
539 skin depth at which radiation is efficient in water ice amorphization. The surface regolith grain
540 size distribution encompasses tens to hundred of microns sizes with a possible tail towards
541 larger grains suggesting possible water ice grain mobilization, aggregation and sintering. These
542 processes cannot be excluded since the diurnal maximum temperature, derived from the 3.6
543 μm continuum properties, is 132 K and it is high enough to activate them.

544 Our analyses are performed through spectral indicators calibrated on water ice composition
545 and do not take into account the presence of nonice materials. To better constrain the nature
546 of these contaminants and disentangle their influence on water ice grain properties is necessary
547 to measure the spectral reflectance at wavelengths shorter than $2 \mu\text{m}$, a range precluded to
548 JIRAM, where diagnostic spectral features of nonice materials are located. Before the end of
549 the Juno mission other possibilities to observe the surface of Europa will occur. The JIRAM
550 team will exploit them to continue to acquire infrared spectra and images of the surface nec-
551 essary to enlarge the dataset and improve the spatial coverage and resolution. These infrared
552 observations will be the last acquired by a spacecraft before the future ESA's Juice and NASA's
553 EuropaClipper missions currently scheduled after year 2030.

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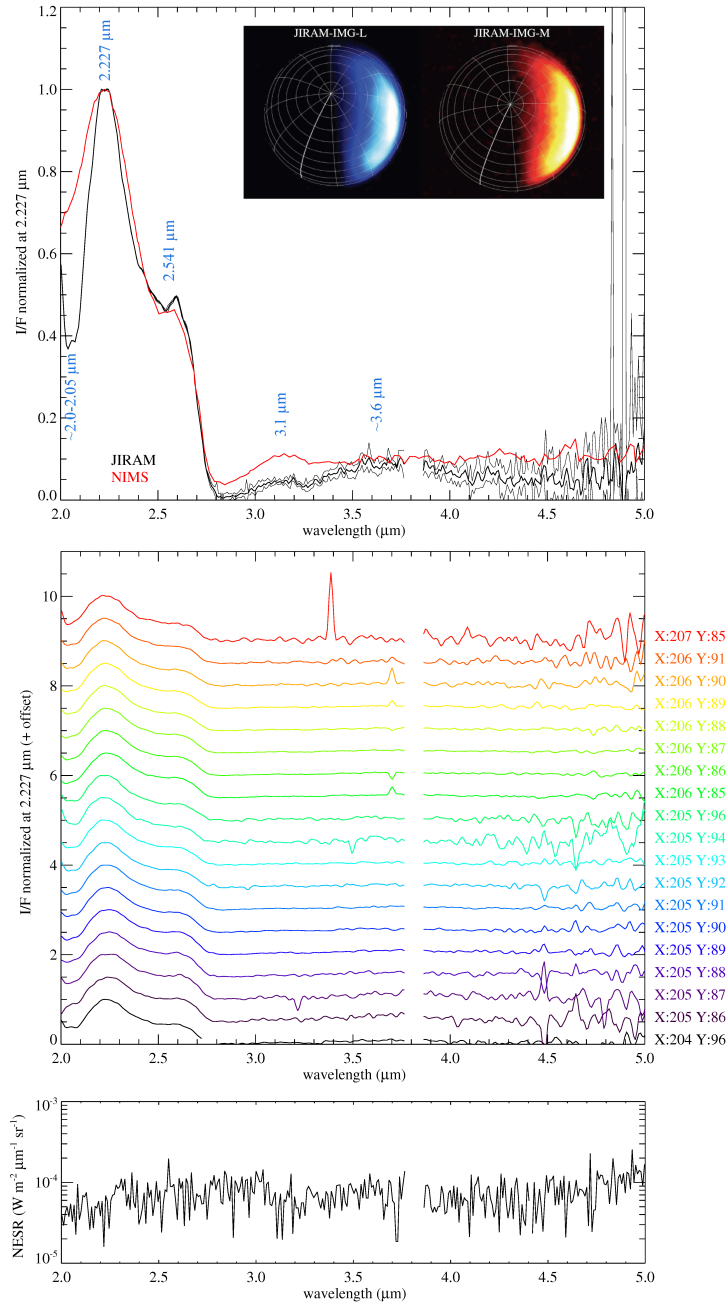


Figure 3: Europa’s observation JM0002_160802_213108 on the northern/antijovian hemisphere. Top panel: the plot shows the median I/F spectrum measured by the JIRAM-SPE channel on the dayside fraction of the disk (black curve). The shadowed region shows the instrumental noise. Wavelengths used to derive spectral indicators are labeled and discussed in the text. An observation of Galileo/NIMS acquired on the Europa’s north polar region is shown for comparison (red curve)³⁷. Both JIRAM and NIMS spectra are normalized at 2.227 μm . The inset panels contain polar projections of concurrent images acquired by the IMG channel in L (3.455 μm , left panel) and M (4.780 μm , right panel) bands (*Tosi et al.*, 2018). Centre panel: the 19 individual JIRAM spectra used to compute the average in top panel are compared to NIMS. Bottom panel: JIRAM noise-equivalent spectral radiance (NESR) used to compute the instrumental noise.

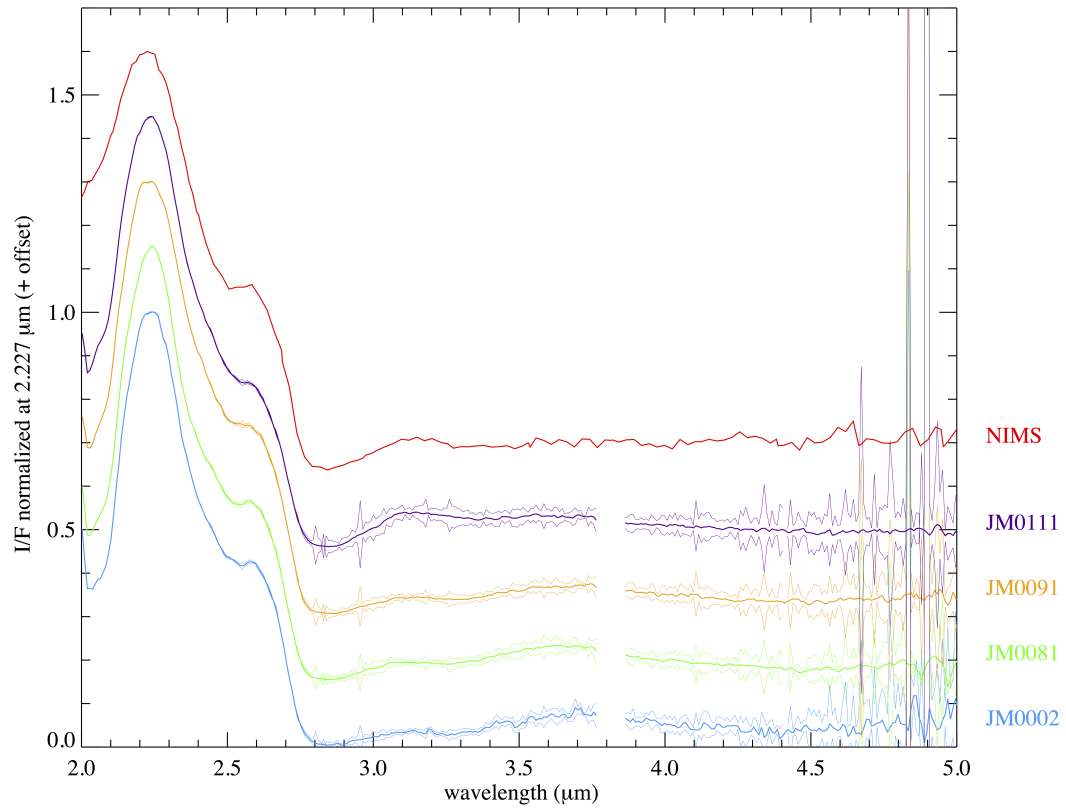


Figure 4: Europa's median I/F spectra collected during orbits JM0002, JM0081, JM0091, JM0111 compared with NIMS.

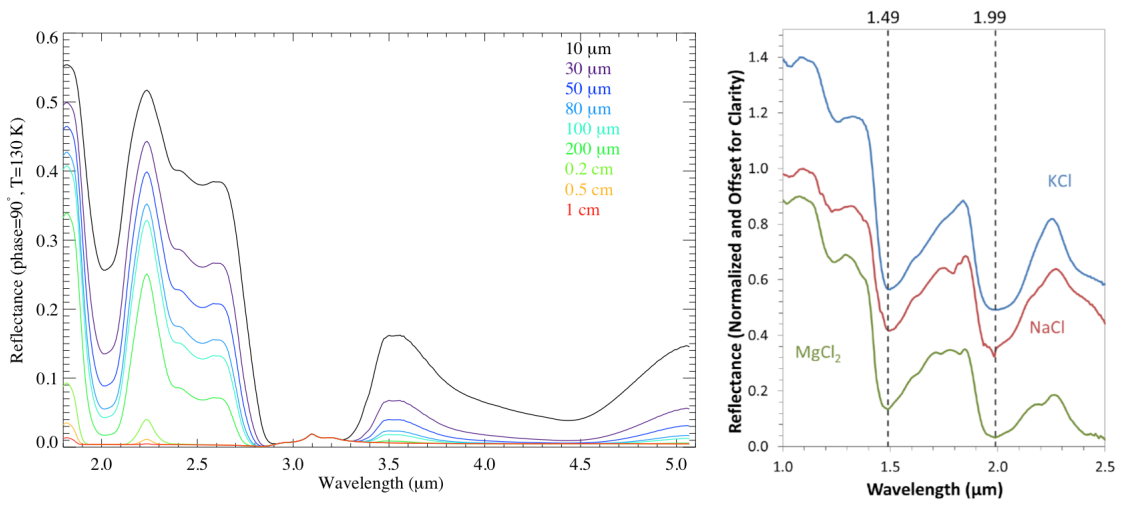


Figure 5: Left: synthetic spectra of water ice grains with sizes between 10 μm to 1 cm. Right: laboratory reflectance spectra of frozen eutectic chlorine salts MgCl_2 , NaCl , KCl at $T=-30^\circ\text{C}$ (from *Hanley et al. (2014)*).

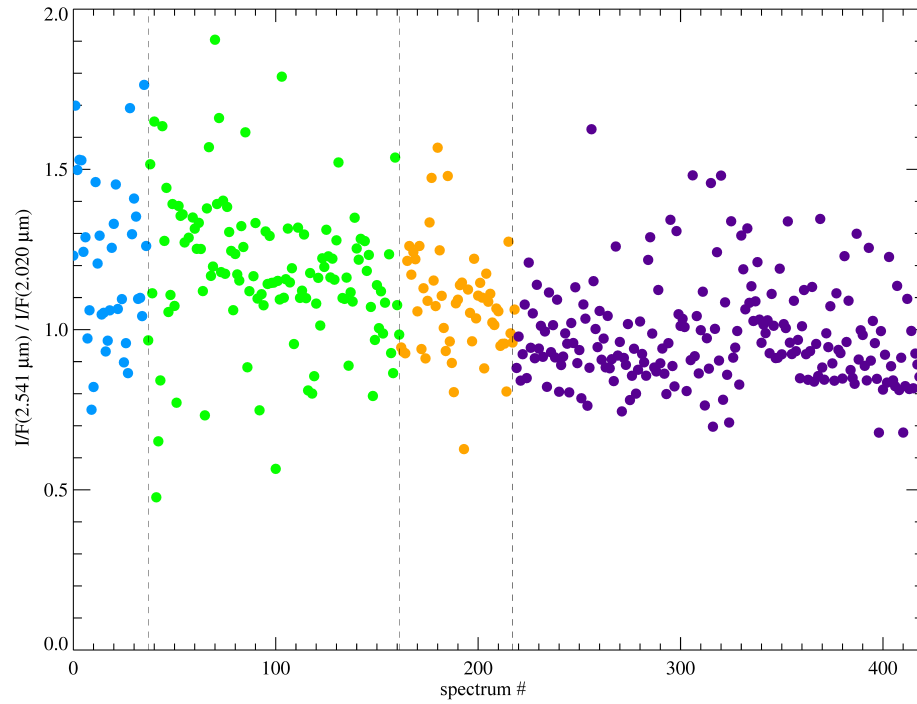


Figure 6: Distribution of the $I/F(2.541 \mu\text{m}) / I/F(2.020 \mu\text{m})$ ratio on the dataset. A ratio similar to 1 is an indicator of the presence of non ice material, like hydrated salts, while larger values correspond to more pure water ice composition. Blue, yellow, green and magenta data points correspond to ratio values measured during orbits JM0002, JM0081, JM0091, JM0111, respectively.

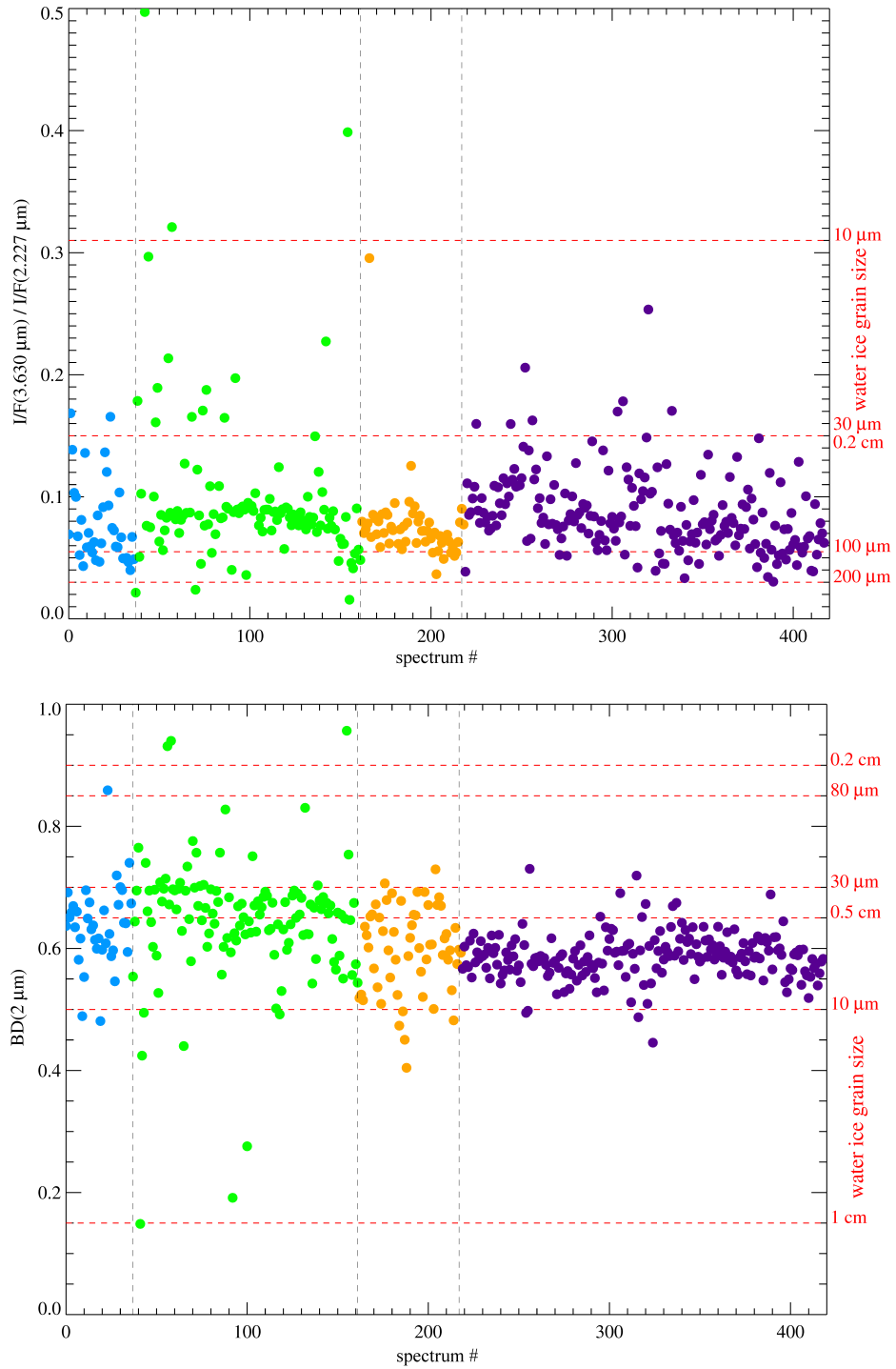


Figure 7: Top panel: distribution of the $I/F(3.630 \mu\text{m}) / I/F(2.227 \mu\text{m})$ ratio in the dataset. Bottom panel: distribution of the $BD(2 \mu\text{m})$. Reference grain size values from Table 2 are shown. Blue, yellow, green and magenta data points correspond to ratio values taken during orbits JM0002, JM0081, JM0091, JM0111, respectively.

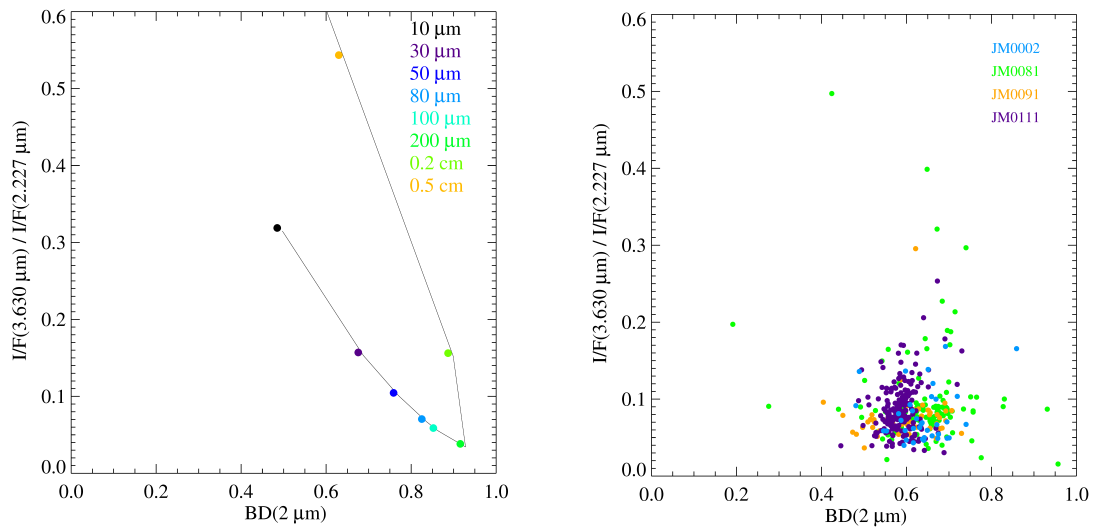


Figure 8: Left panel: trend of the $BD(2 \mu\text{m})$ and $I/F(3.630 \mu\text{m}) / I/F(2.227 \mu\text{m})$ as a function of water ice grain size. Right panel: distribution of JIRAM observations.

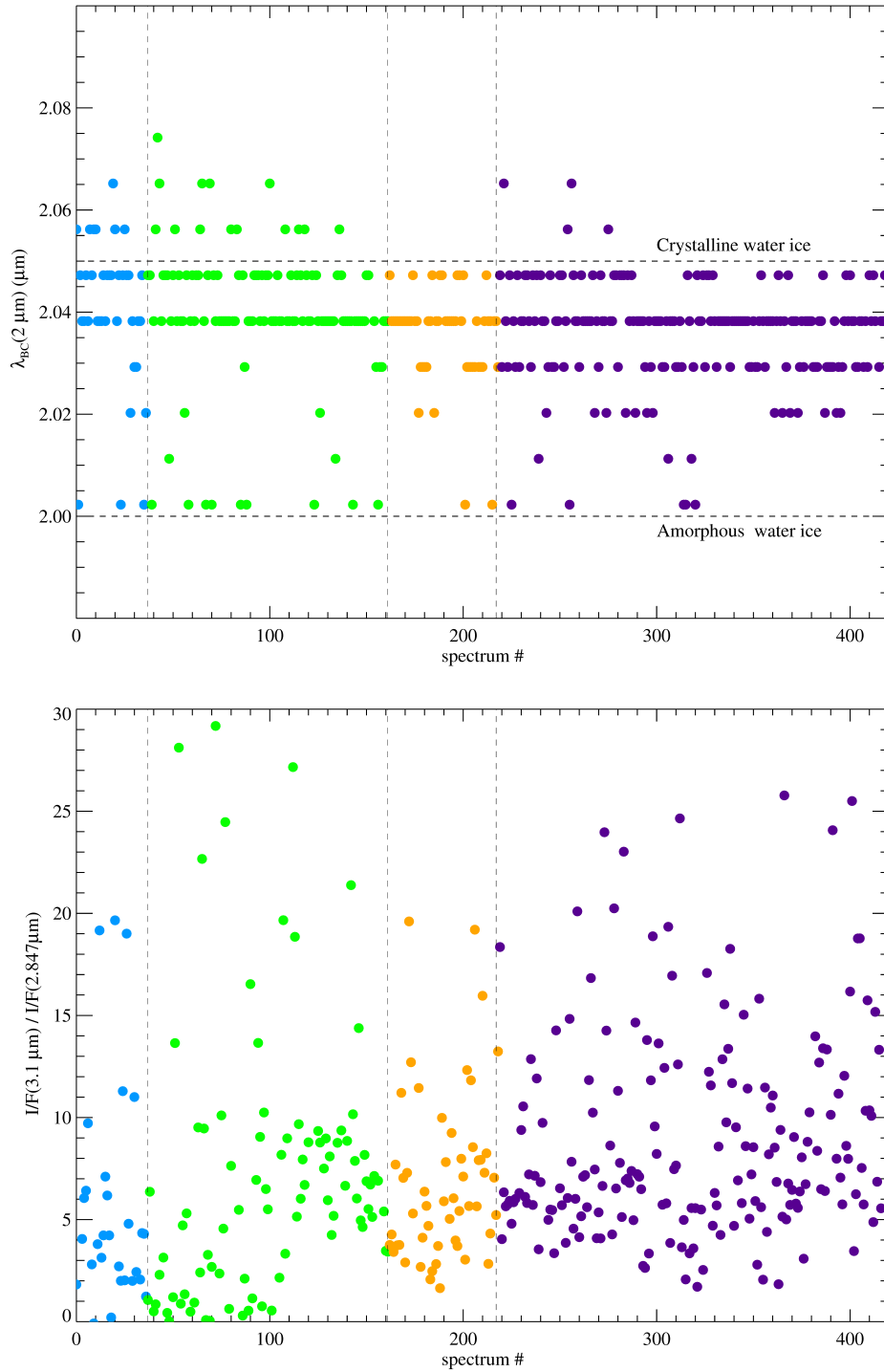


Figure 9: Top panel: distribution of the $\lambda_{BC}(2 \mu\text{m})$ in the dataset. Reference wavelengths for amorphous and crystalline phases are shown. Bottom panel: distribution of the ratio $I/F(3.1 \mu\text{m}) / I/F(2.847 \mu\text{m})$. High ratio values are indicative of crystalline ice, low ratio values for amorphous ice. Blue, yellow, green and magenta data points correspond to values measured during orbits JM0002, JM0081, JM0091, JM0111, respectively.