Giorgio writes:

> I think it depends of the case. One example I can imagine is the
> removal of hot pixels from a CCD camera. Since you know that
> systematically your CCD camera is giving you a hot pixel at the same
> position, you can estimate its value from its nearest neighbours.
> However if you are not sure, its value can have a more profound
> meaning than your instrument has a different response function for
> that point. You could be missing something then.
> I agree with Kenneth, you must always present the raw data and then
> the data treated so people can judge the difference. Or at least give
> the option about it.

I *completely* agree with this. In fact, "Data Provenance"
is my middle name! But, if I *did* want to correct the
data... Oh never mind. I'm just going to stick to my
indignant reaction to the very idea and leave it at
that. :-(

Cheers,

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")