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Subject: Re: To measure or not to measure (and what good is it anyway?)

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It's a very important discussion, I think, because so many DIYers are interested in moving to the next level with their projects, going past kits into mods and even onto their own creations.

The biggest problems I see are in not having the right gear and not having the baseline to compare with, so making invalid interpretations of what they do see.

I think the modeling software available today makes hobbyists able to get really good results, but of course, measurements trump models any day. The problem, of course, is knowing what tools to use (right tool for the job) and knowing how to use them (and how to interpret the results).

I guess like everything else, it takes time. Study, study, then practice, practice, practice.

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