

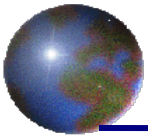
# *ASI AC&CC report*



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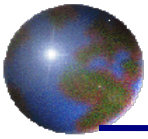
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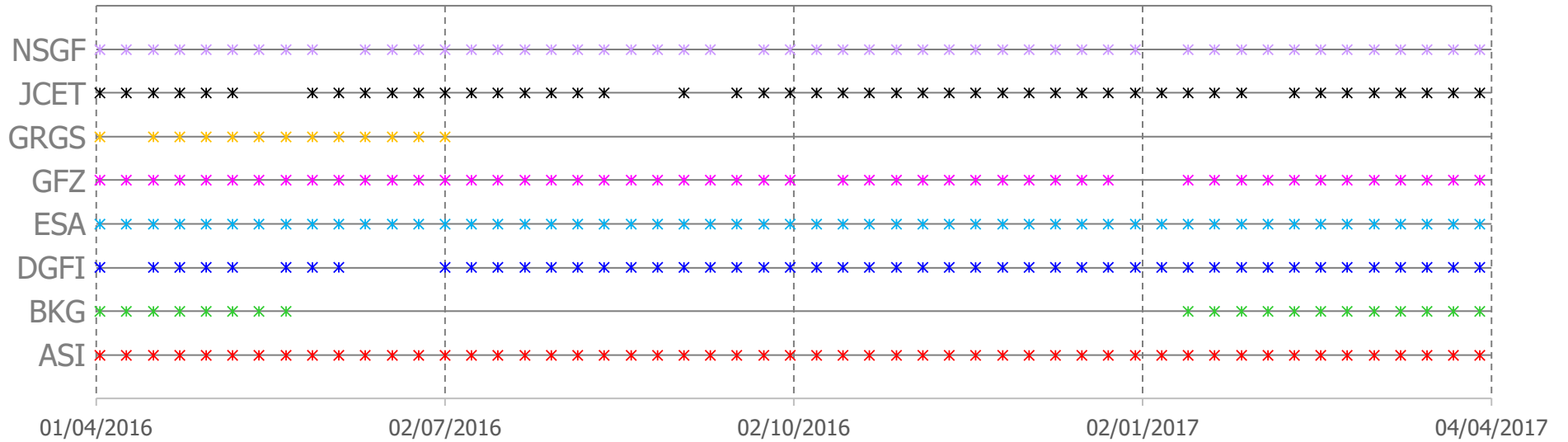
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- AC performance
- ITRF2014 time series
- ASC Pilot Project on Systematic errors

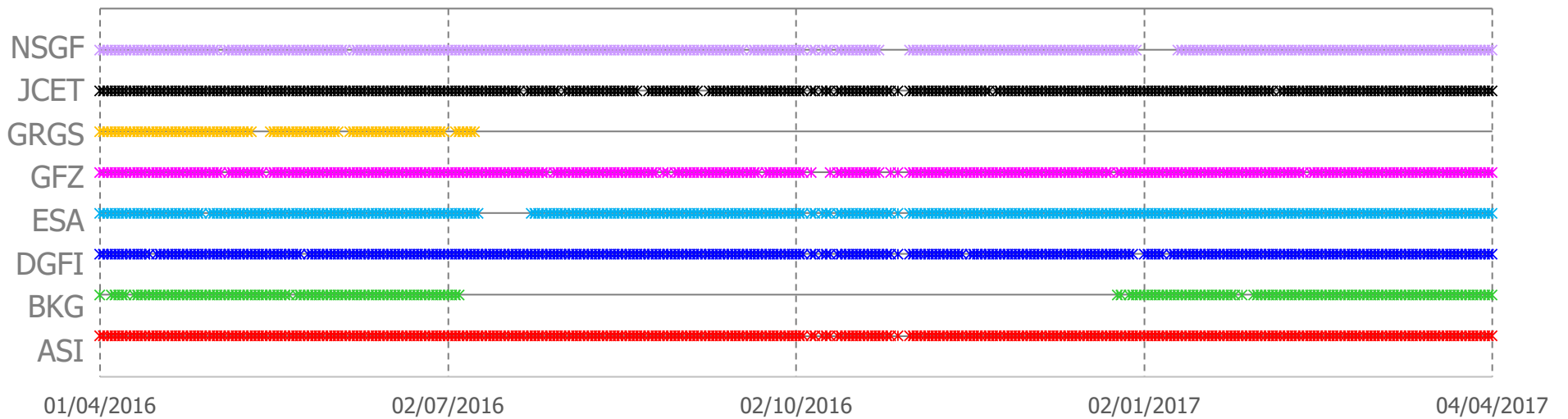


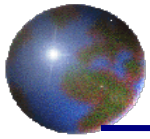
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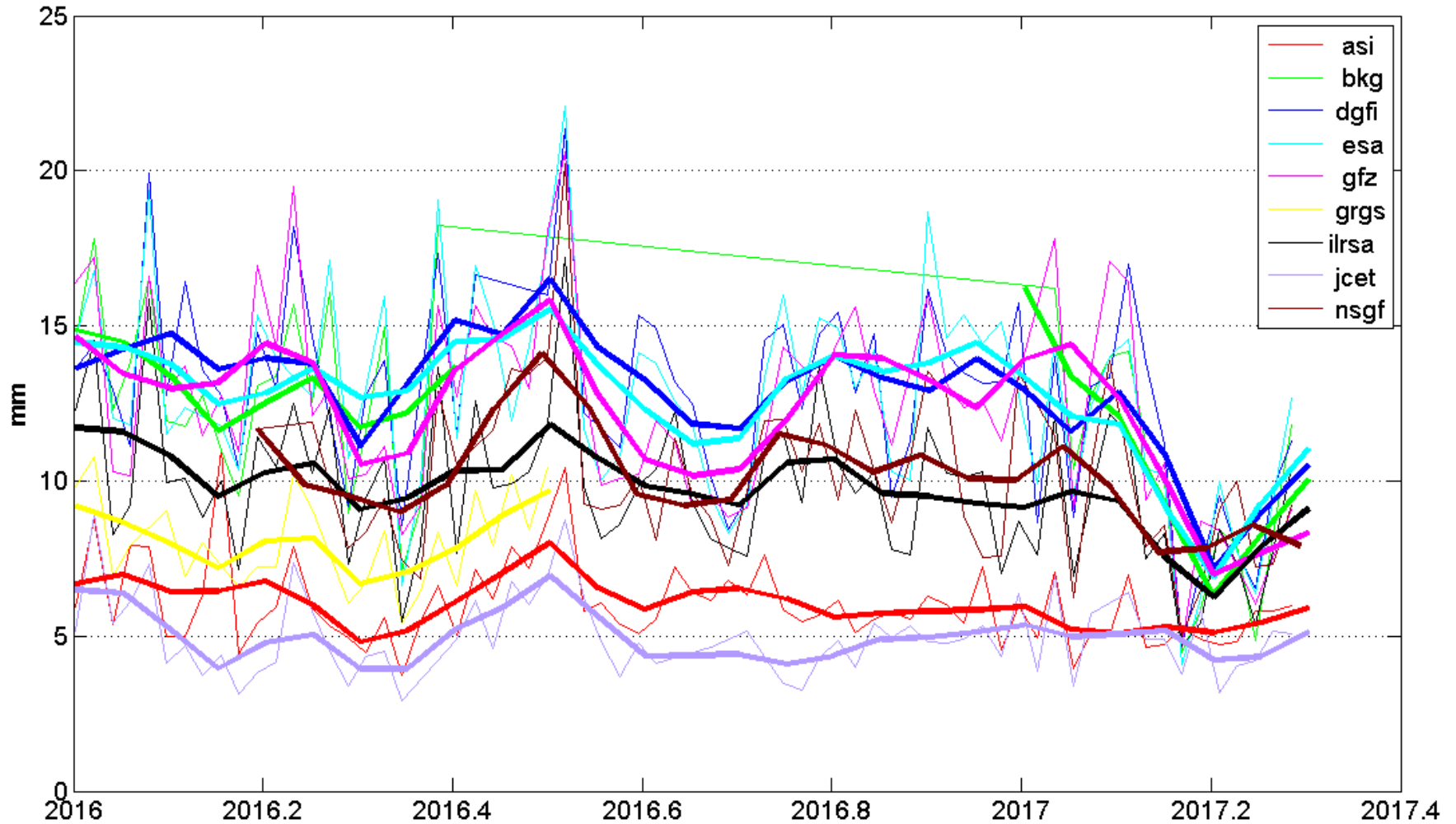
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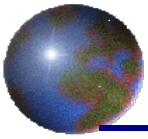




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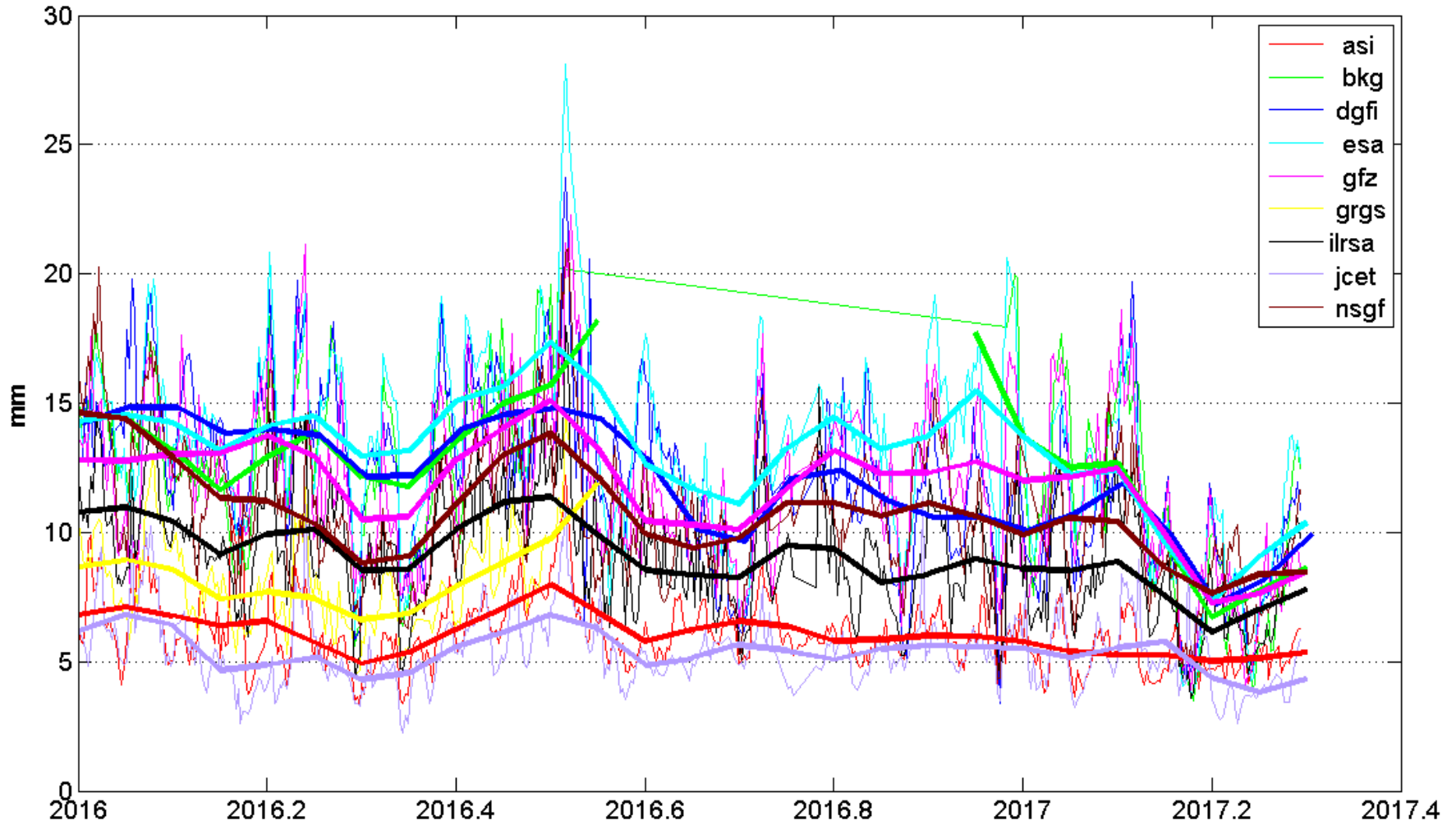
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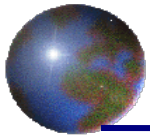




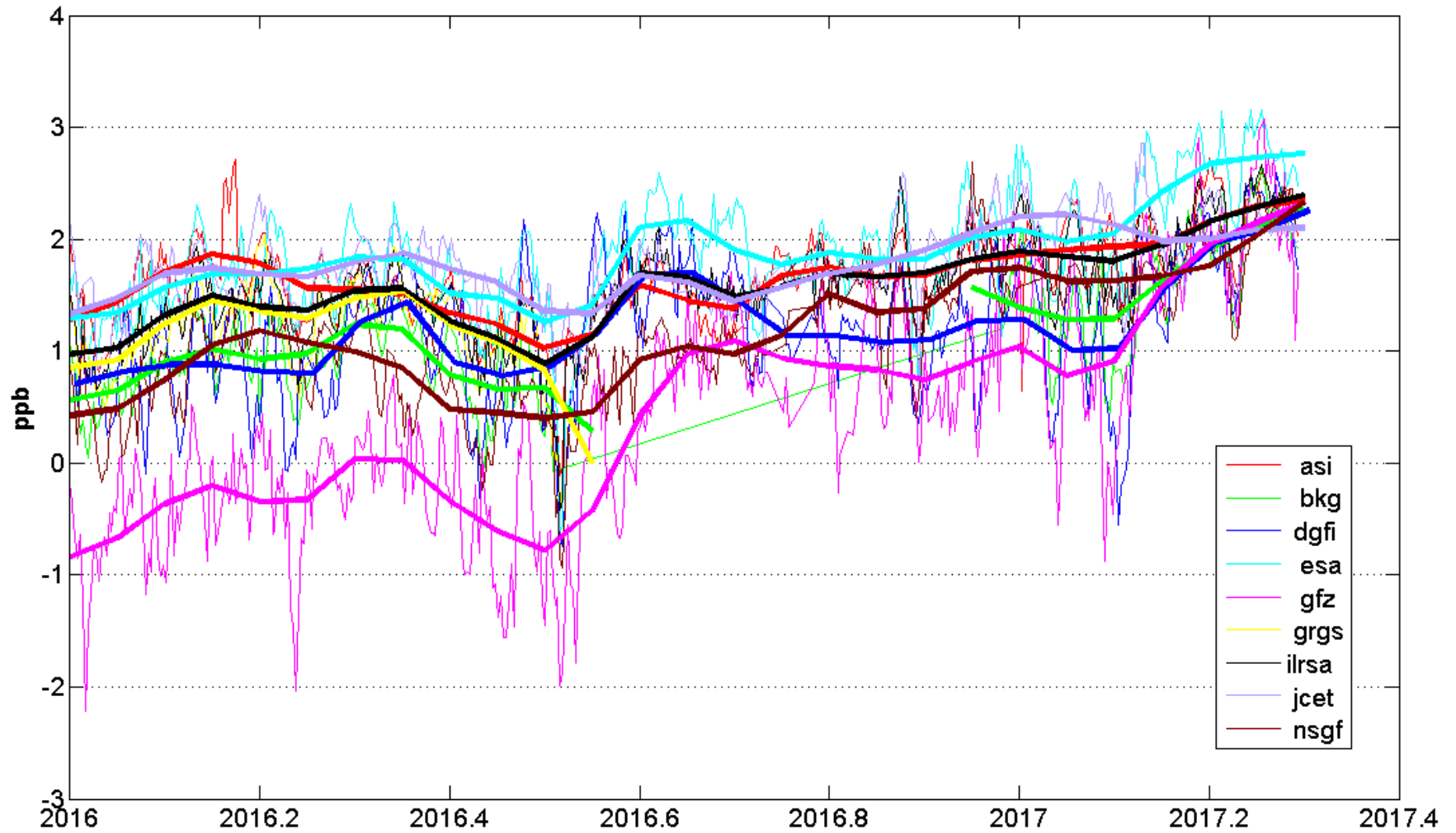
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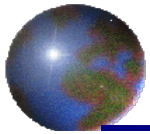
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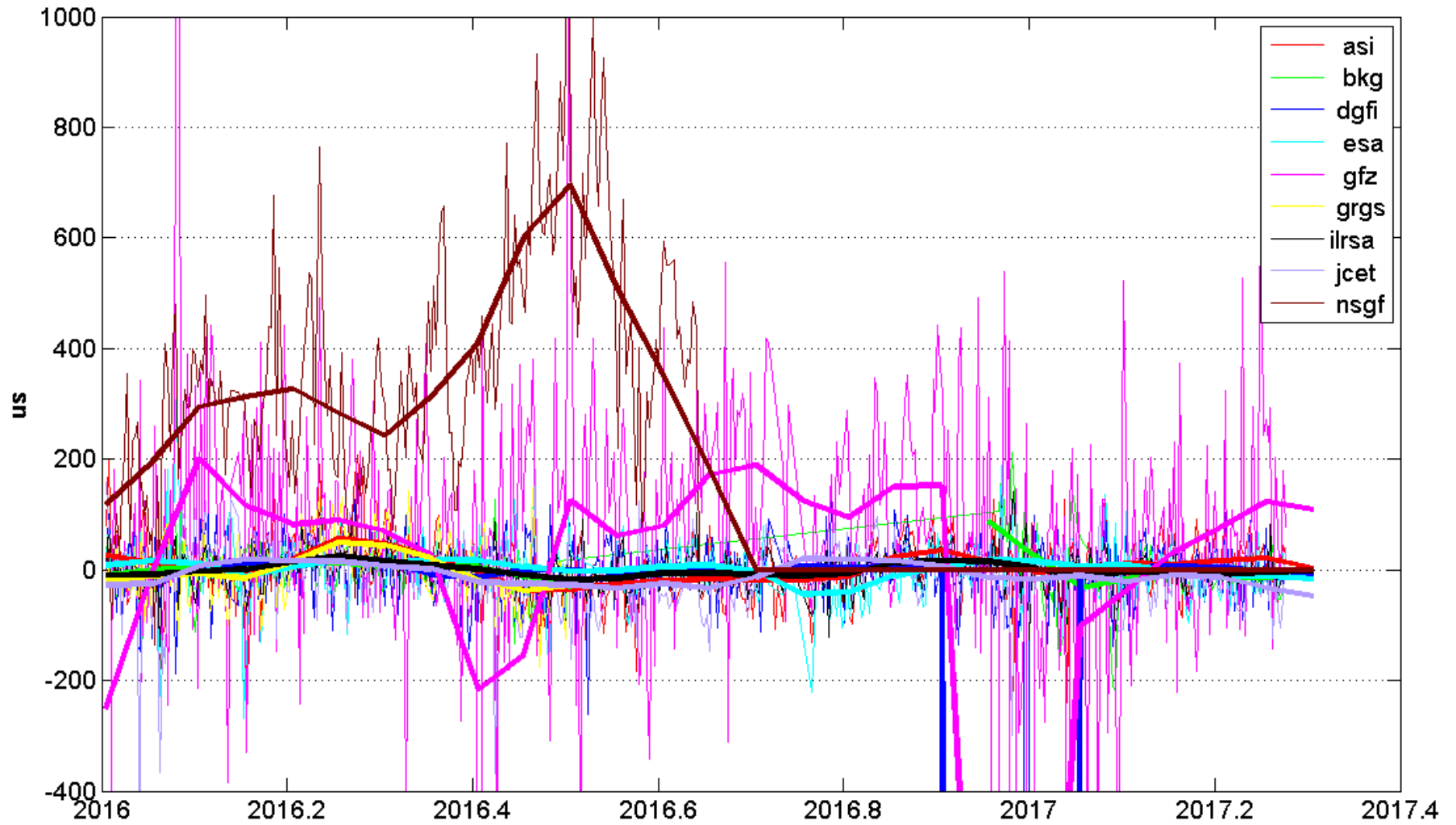


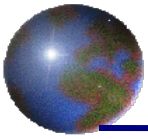
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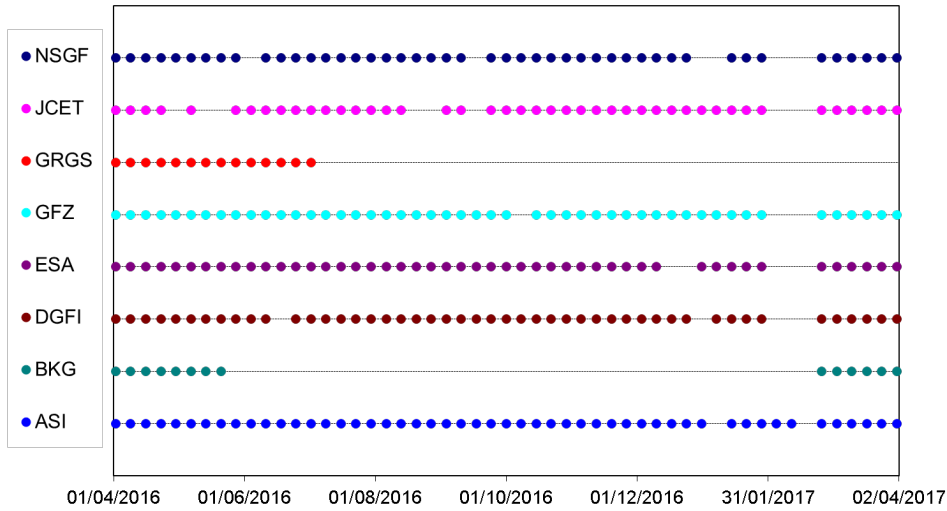
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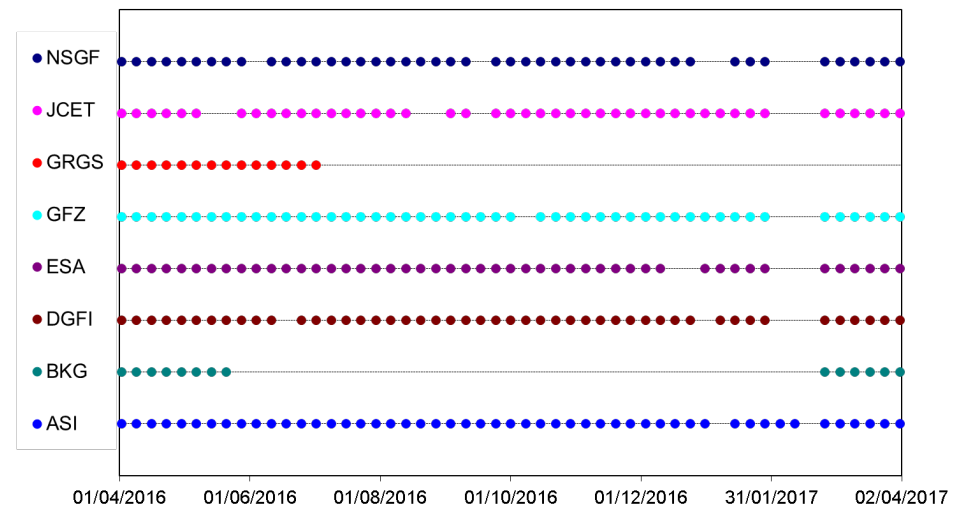


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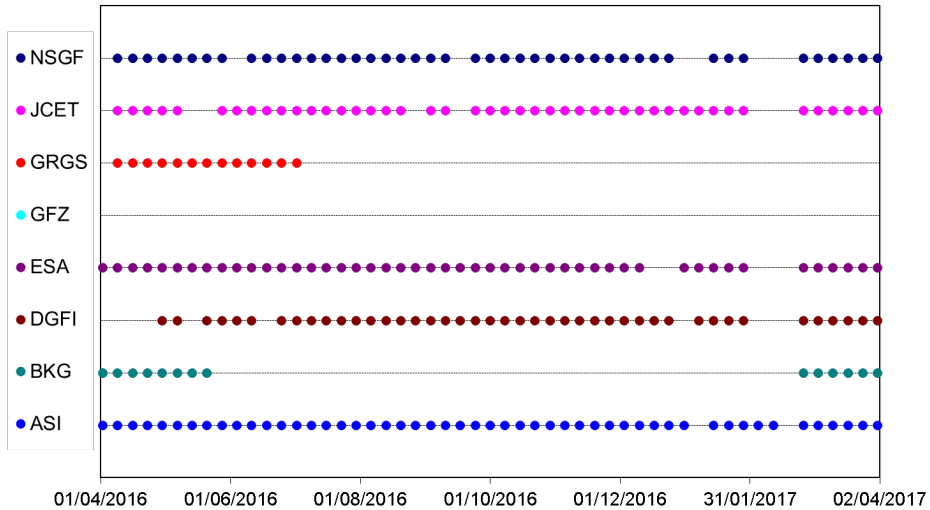
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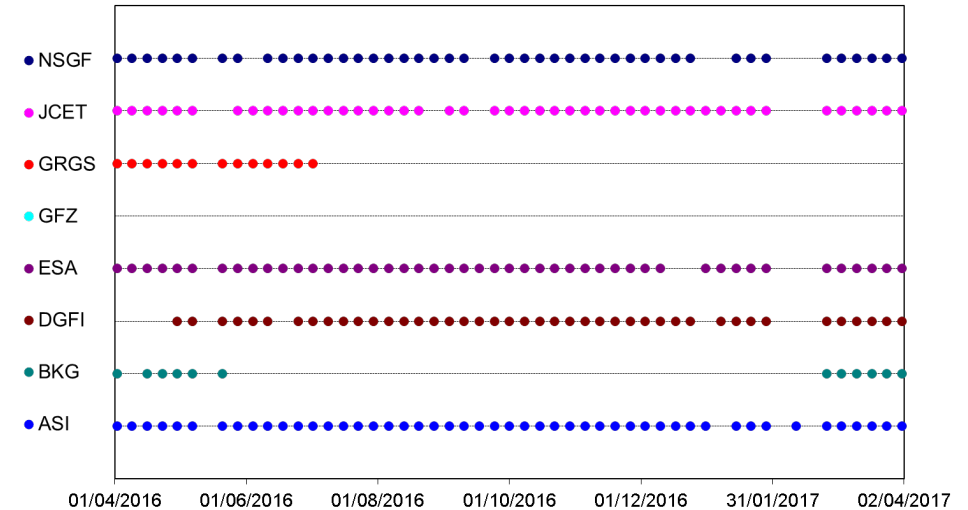
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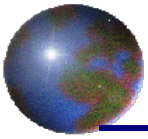
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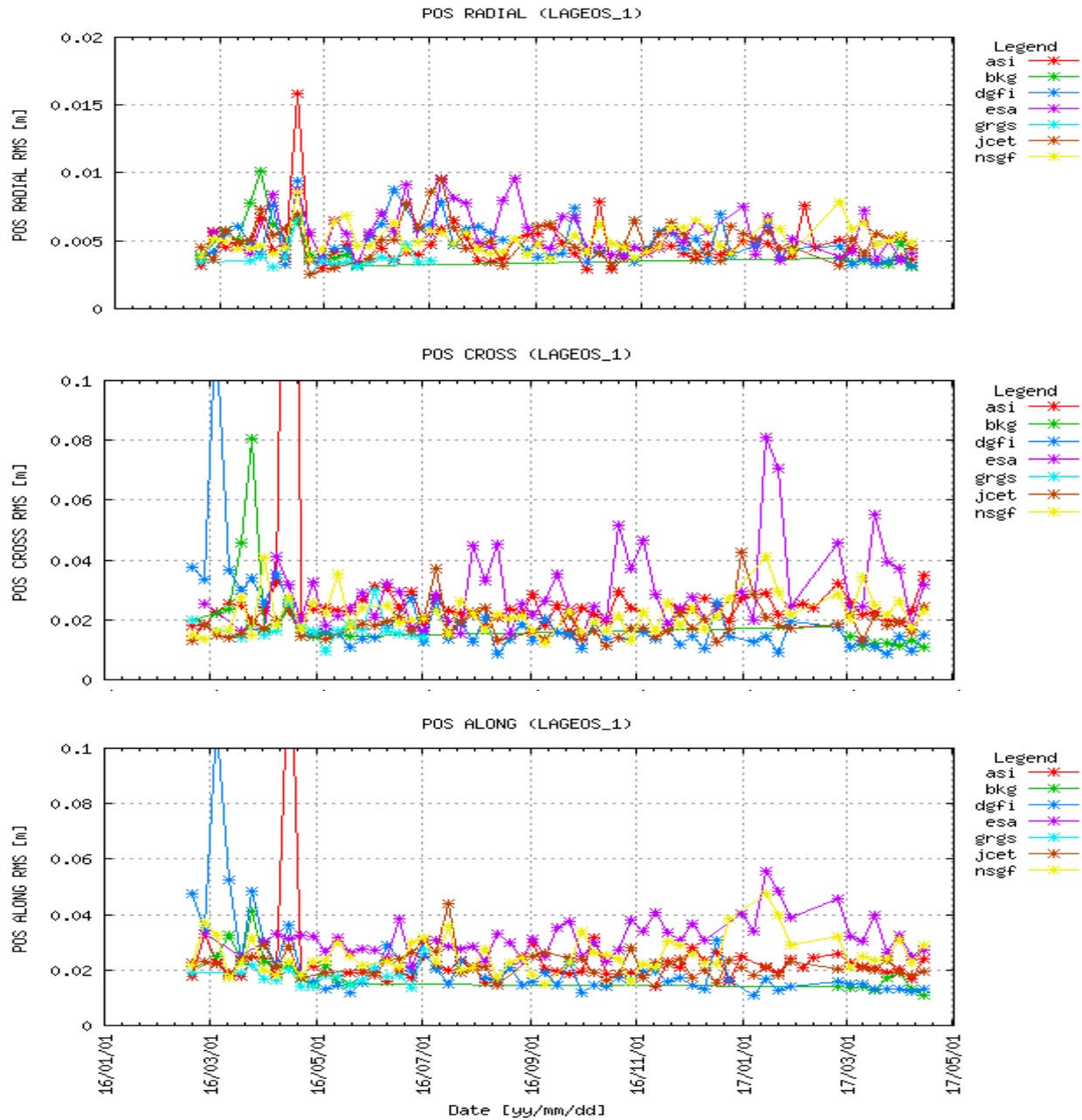
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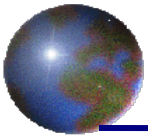




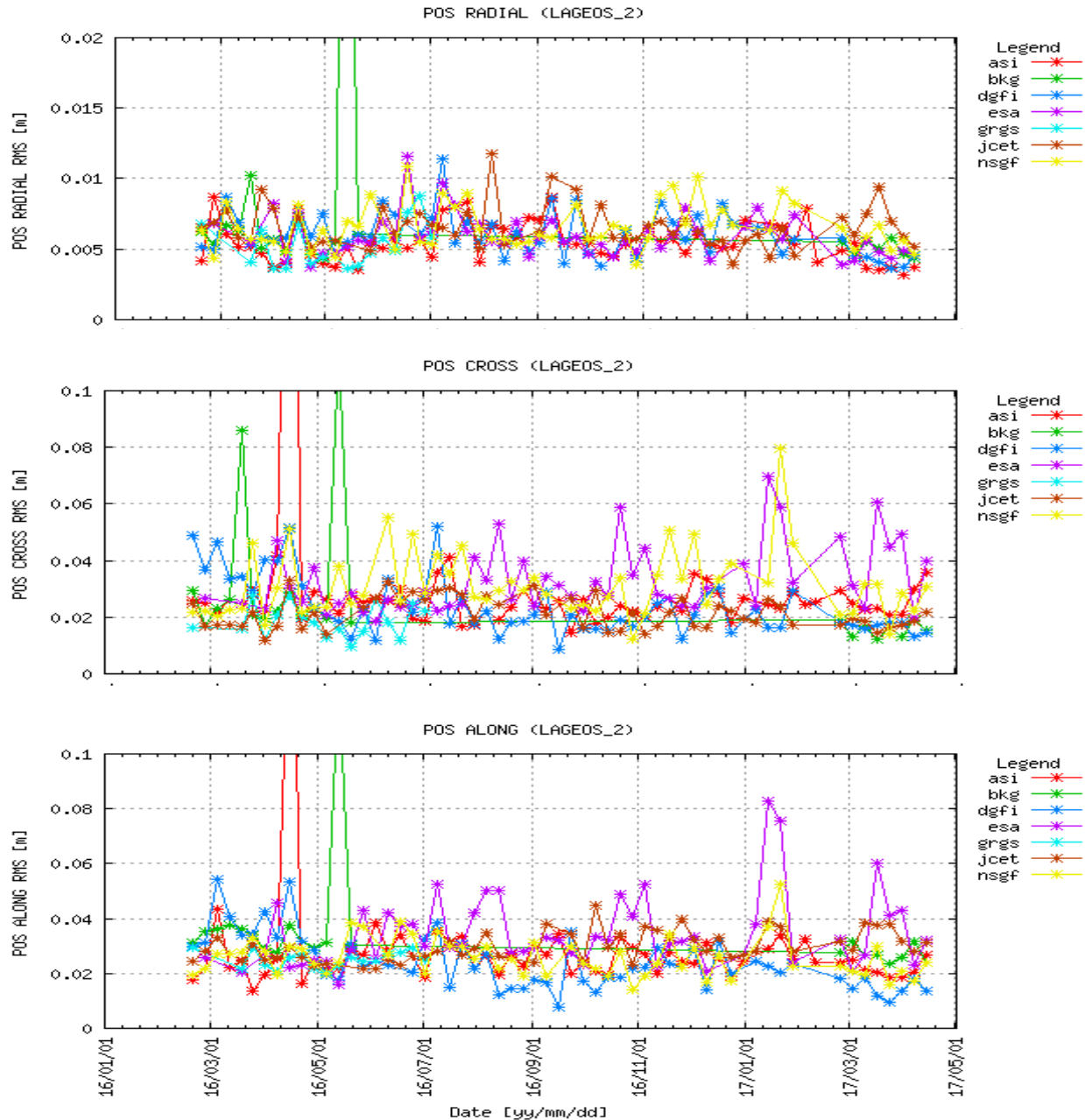


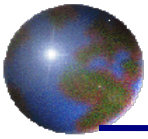
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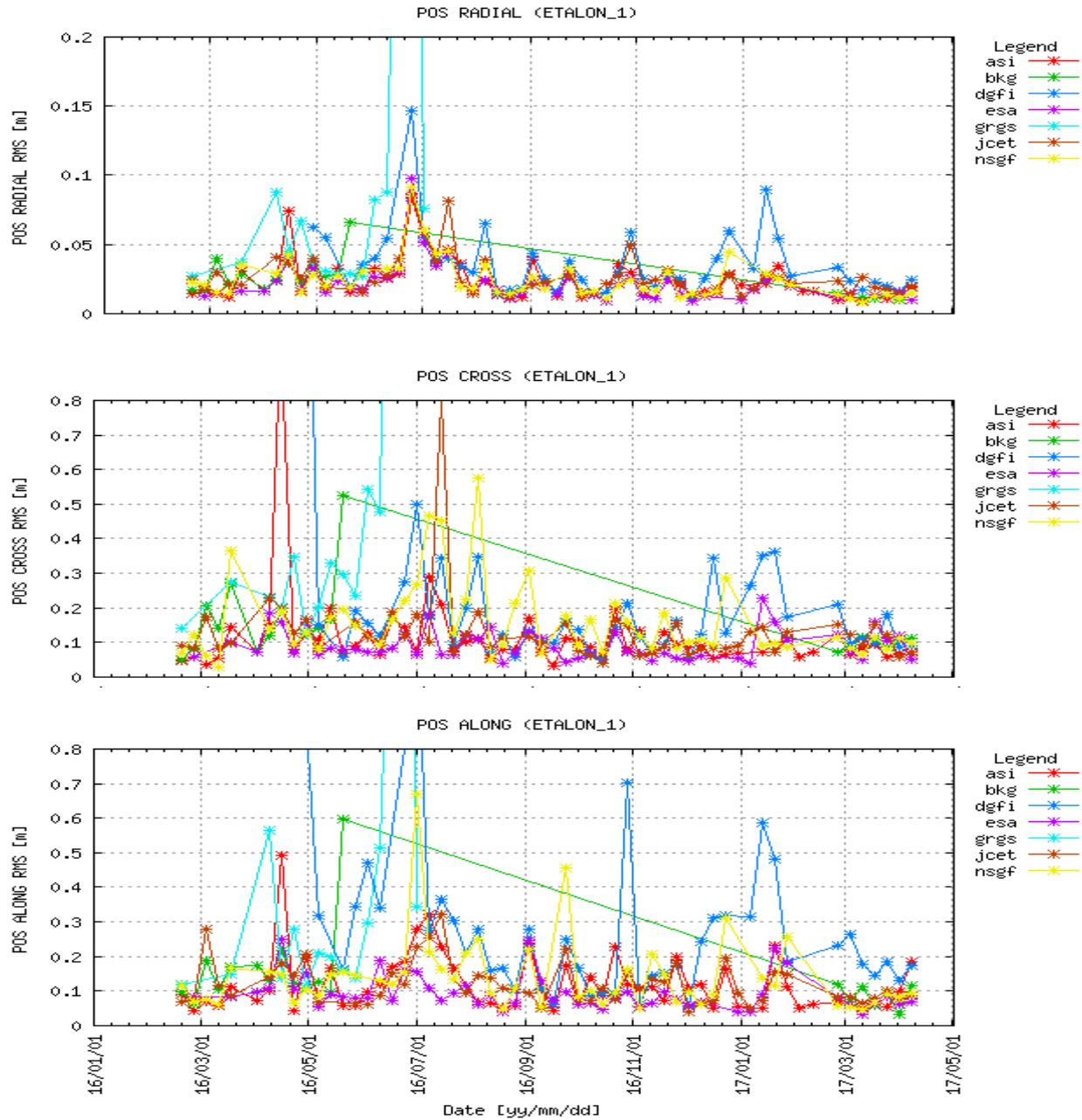


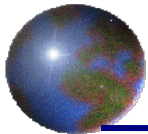
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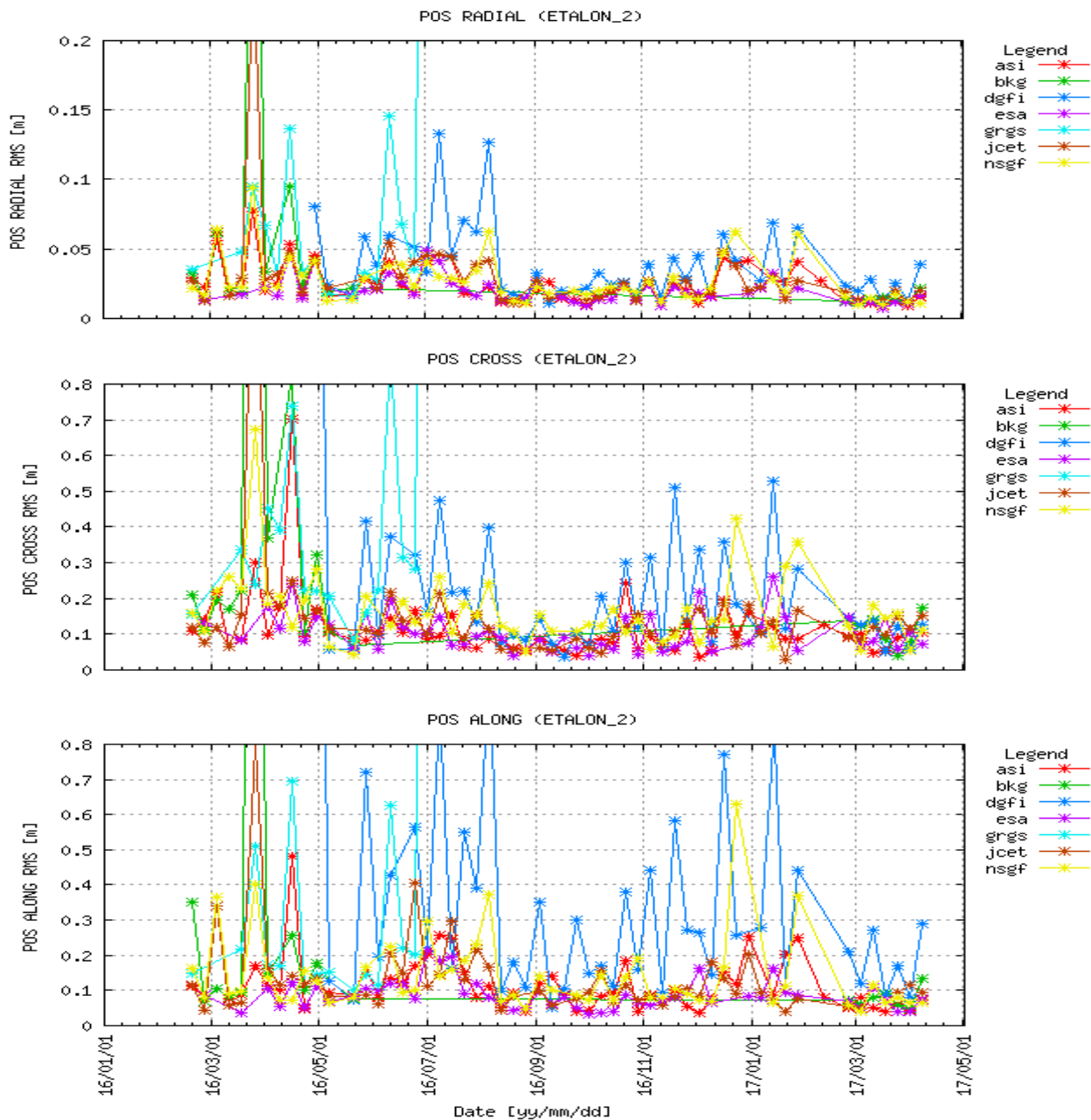


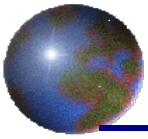
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# ETALON2 orbits – RMS of residuals w.r.t. combination





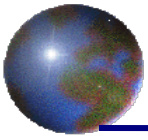
# Summary on ILRS orbits

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- Official ILRS orbits available since May 2016
- 6 ACs contributing to LAGEOS orbits
- 5 ACs contributing to ETALON
- The ACs orbits agreement, in terms of rms of the residuals w.r.t. the combination, is in the table below

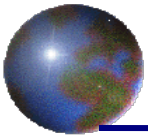
	<b>Radial (mm)</b>	<b>Cross-track (mm)</b>	<b>Along-track (mm)</b>
LAGEOS1	5	22	22
LAGEOS2	7	28	30
ETALON1*	23	120	118
ETALON2*	22	112	110

\*GRGS and DGFI not included



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## [ITRF2014 weekly solutions v70](#)

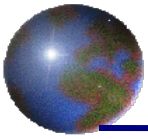


# ITRF2014 weekly submissions

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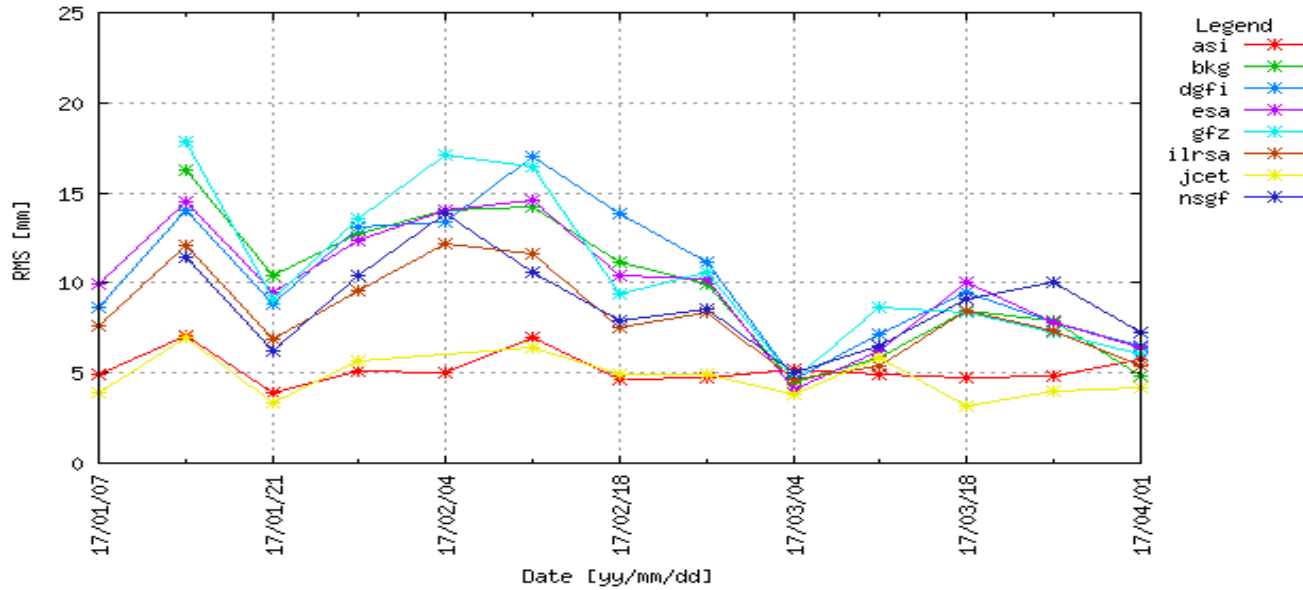
AC time series using ITRF2014 as *a priori*

Agency	Time series	Note
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BKG	none	
DGFI	since 170107	Orbits available
ESA	since 170107	
GRGS	none	
GFZ	since 170107	
JCET	since 170107	
NSGF	none	



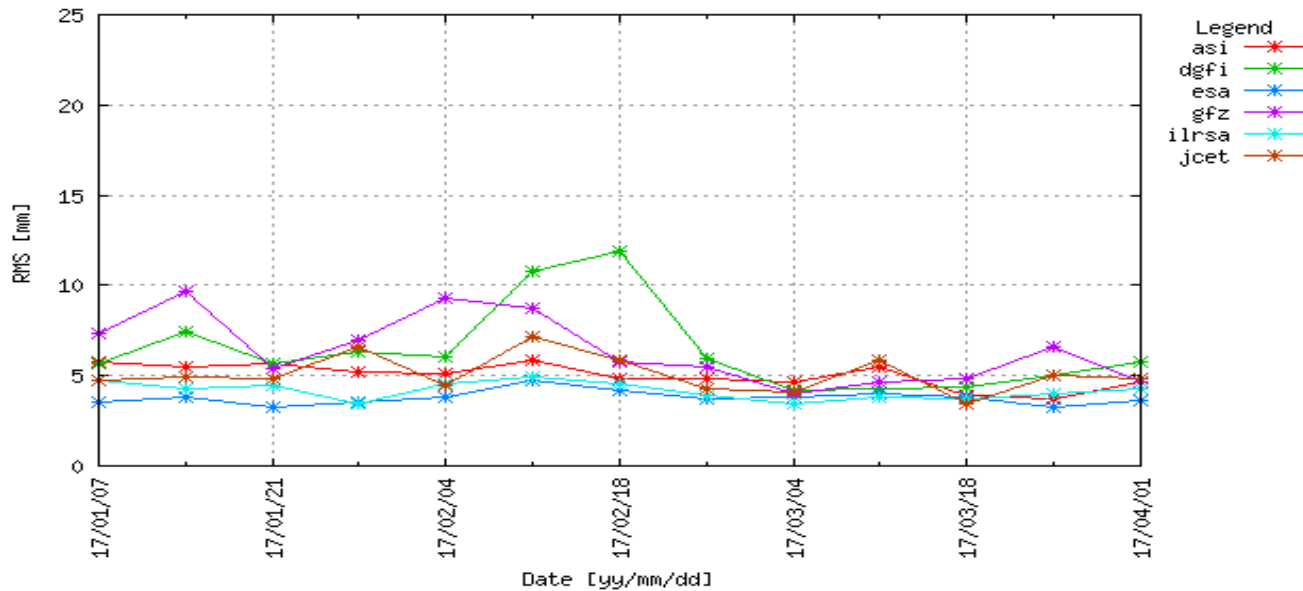
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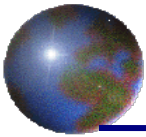
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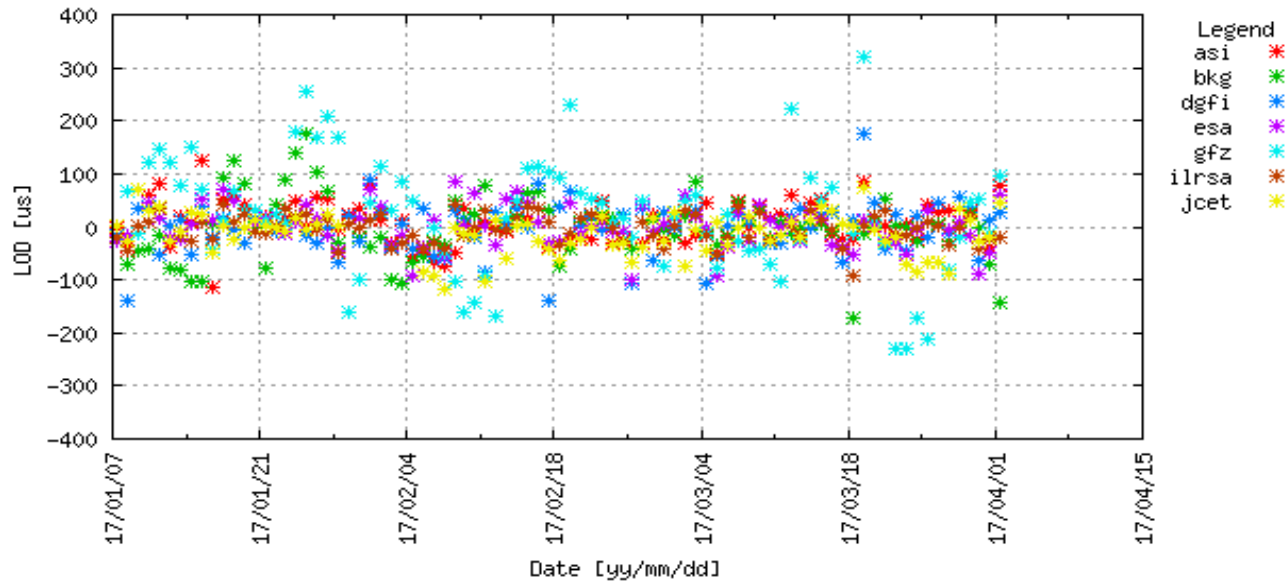
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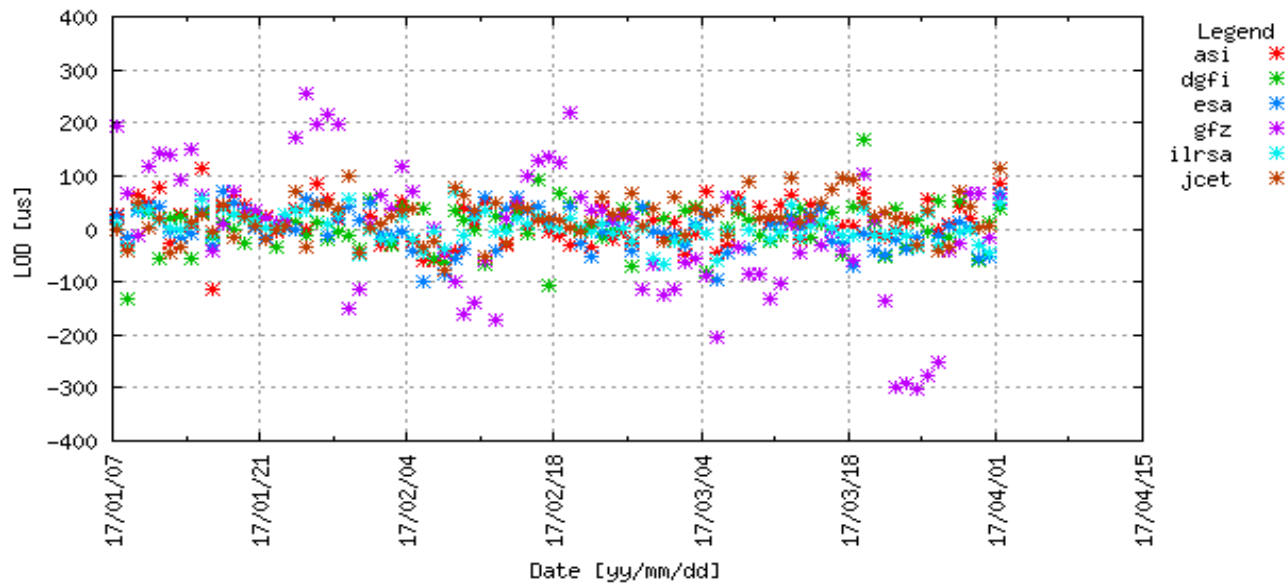
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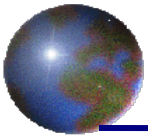


ITRF2008  
nsgf excluded  
from the  
combination

(Test Data) EOP w.r.t. USNO

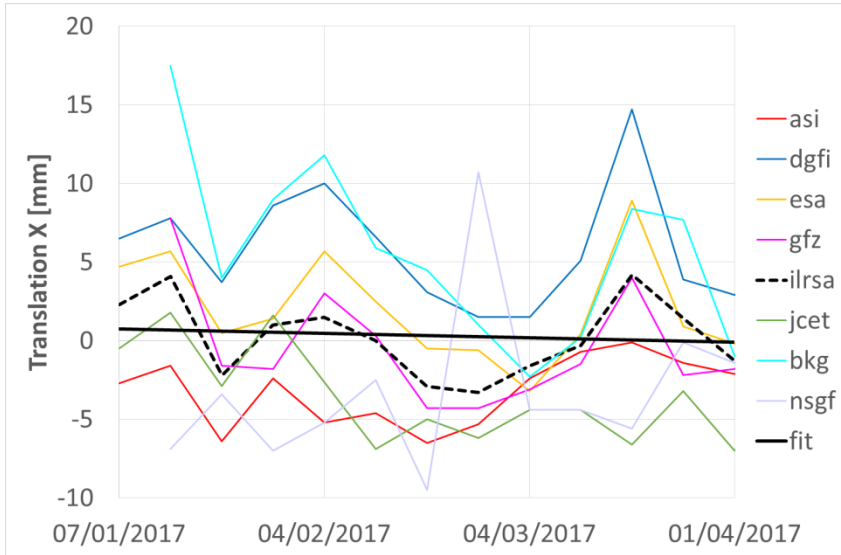


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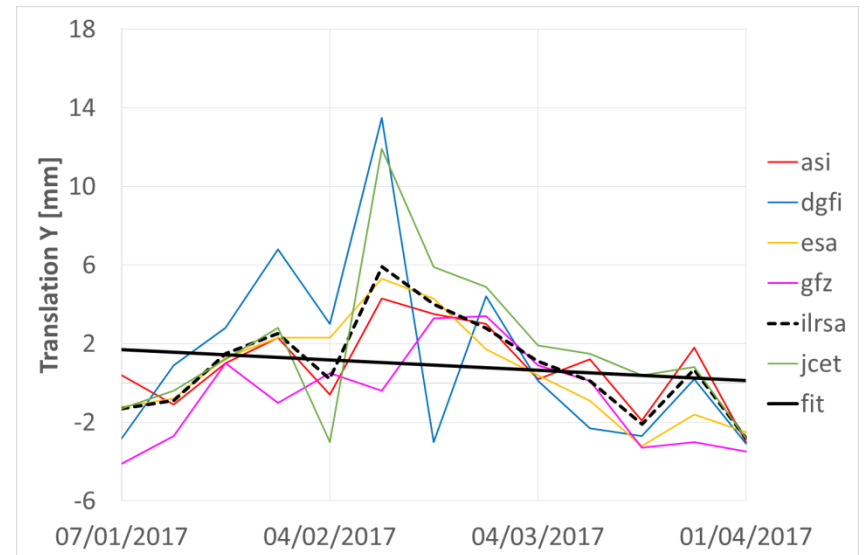
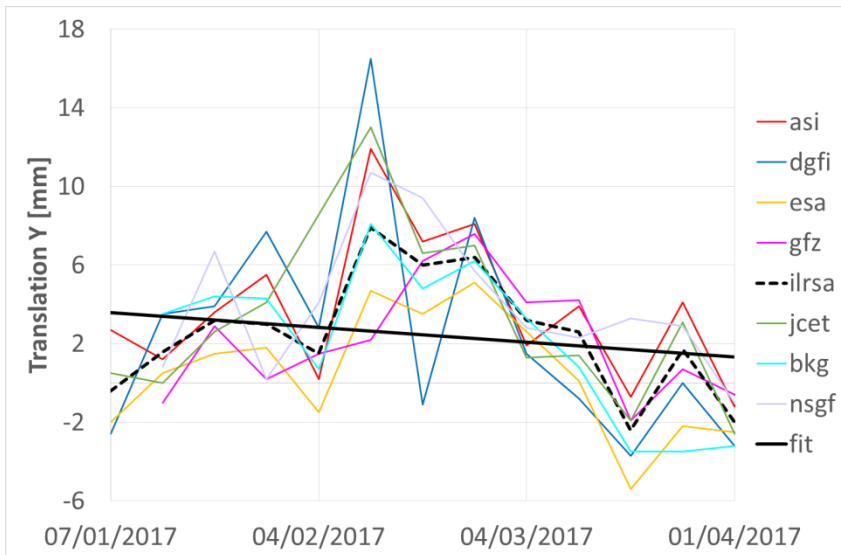
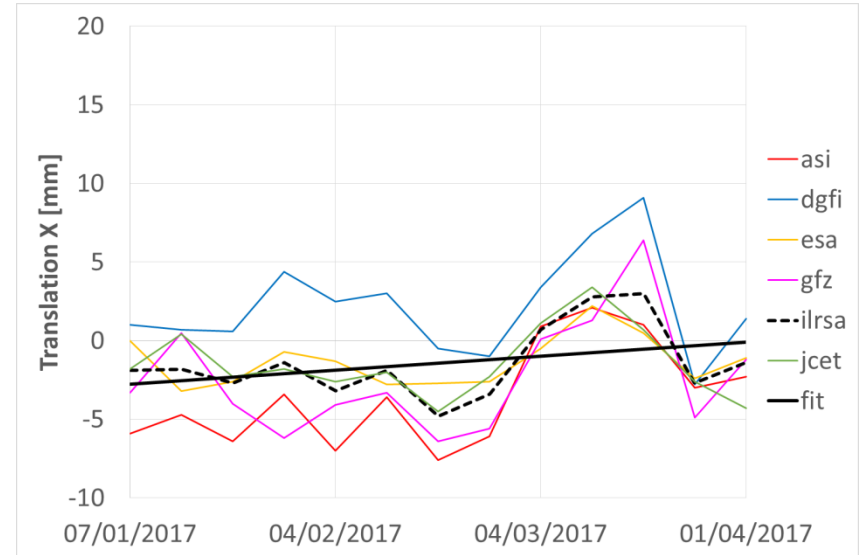


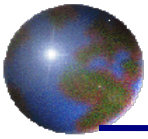
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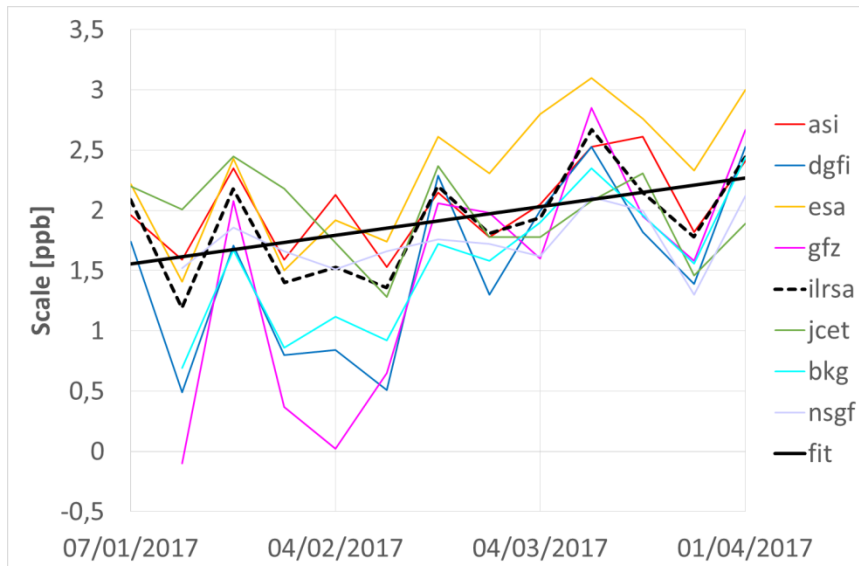
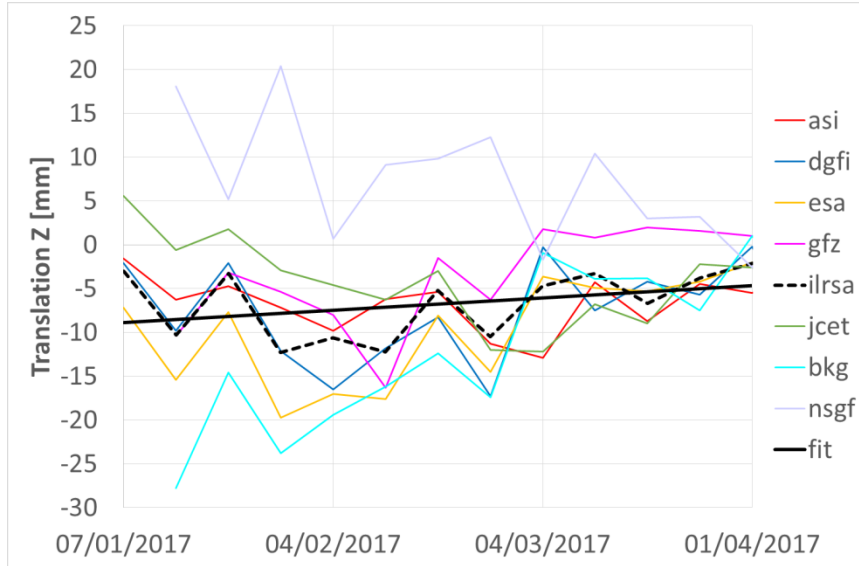
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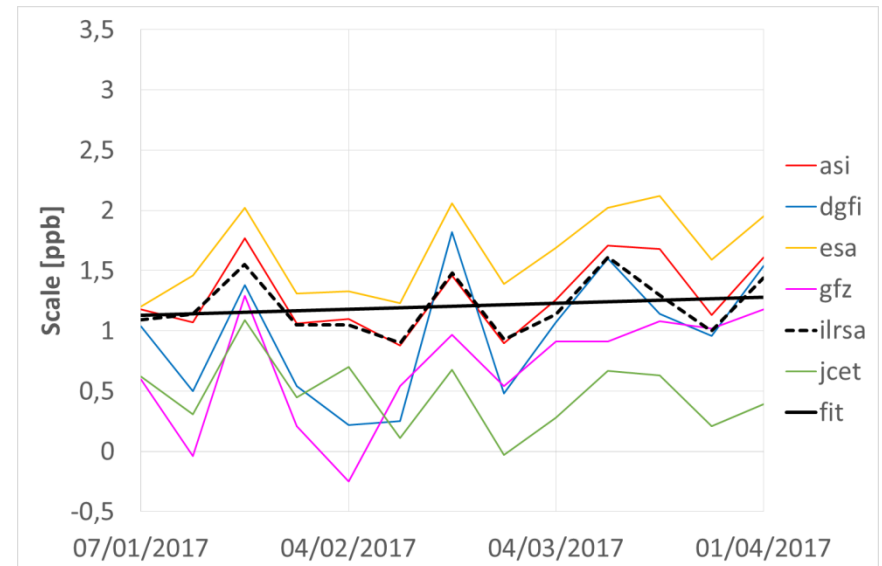
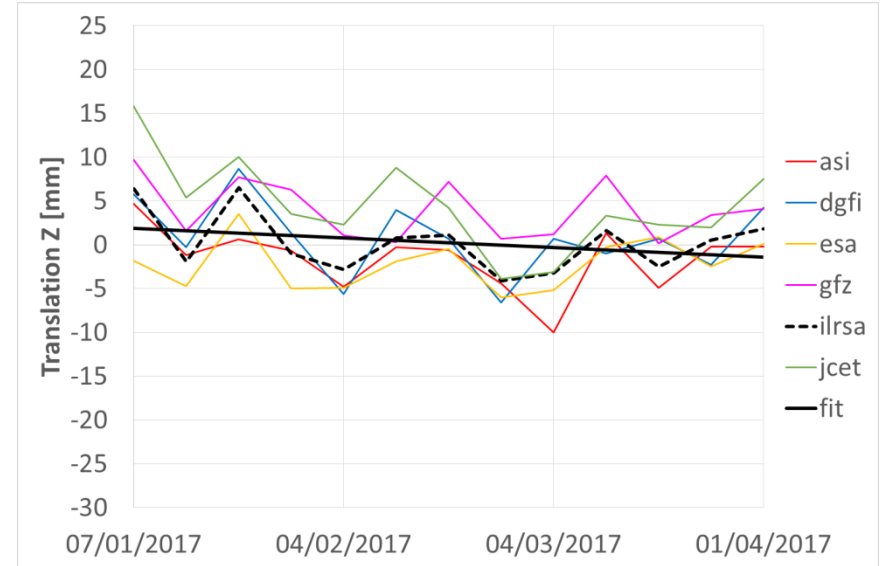


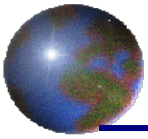
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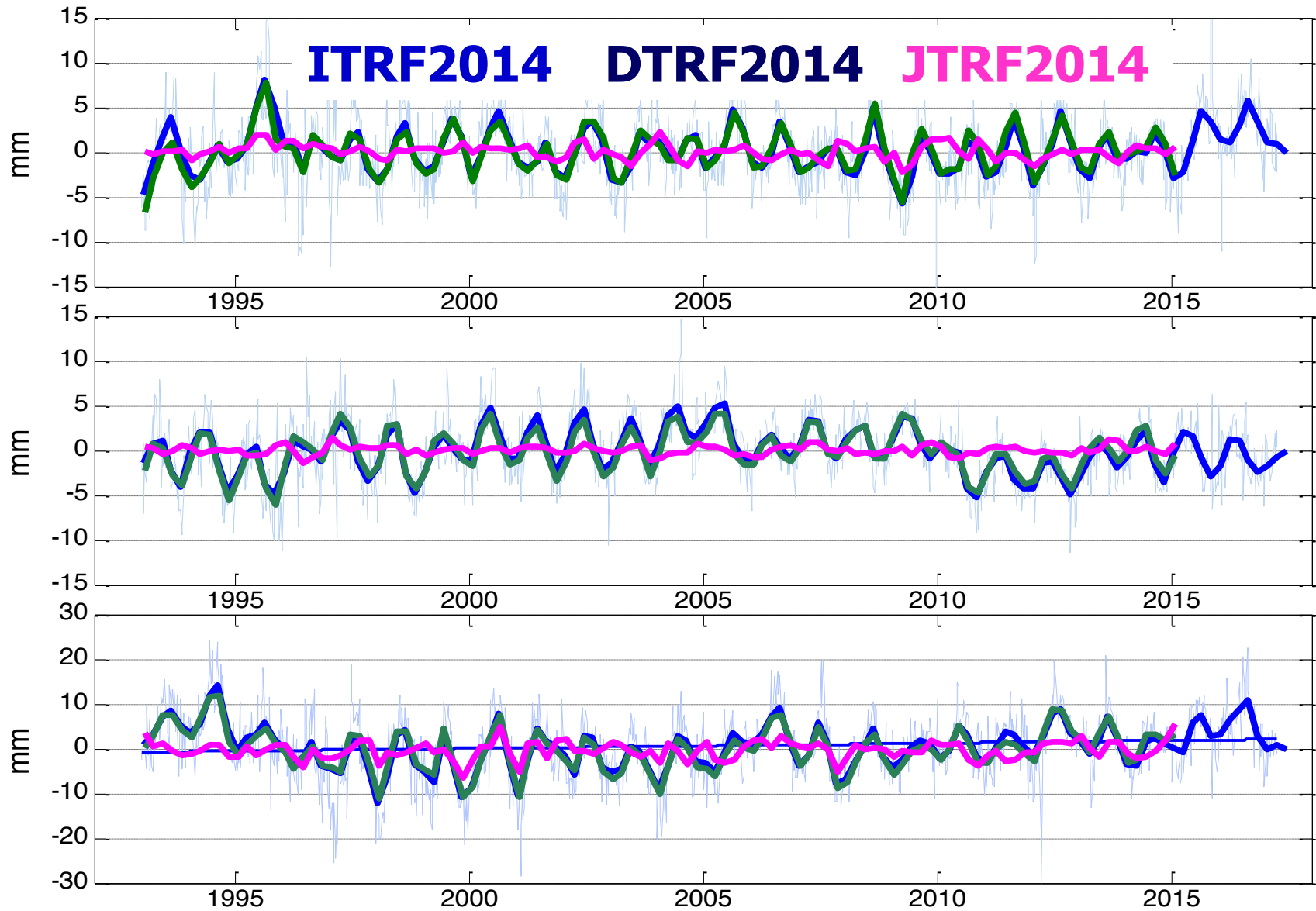


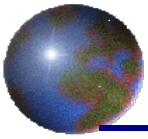
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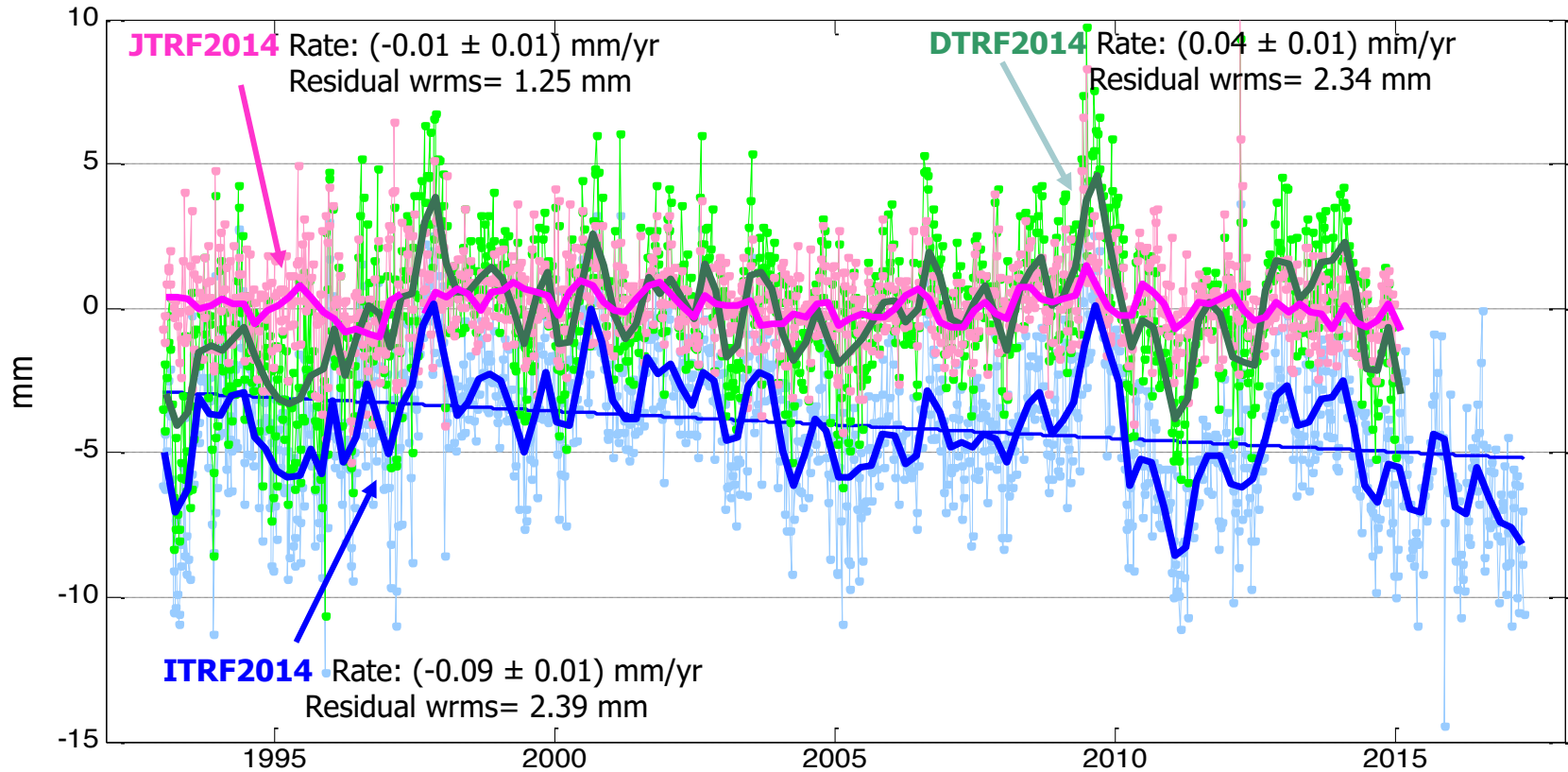


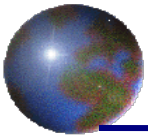
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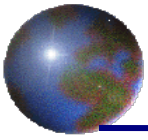
# ITRF2014 adoption

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- BKG, GRGS and NSGF are not contributing

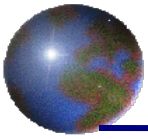
## Next steps

- ITRF2014 must be used in the official products



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## SYSTEMATIC ERROR PILOT PROJECT



# ILRS Pilot Project on systematic errors

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## PP Overview

- Weekly estimation of coordinates, EOP and biases
- Time frame: 2005-2008
- Data: L1 and L2
- 2 time series: unique and separate biases
- Available time series with the new conventions for wavelength

AC	Date of submission
ASI	v202
BKG	none
DGFI	V202 and v212
ESA	none
GFZ	none
GRGS	none
JCET	V202 and v212
NSGF	none

ASI combination SW update under test





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# BKG SLR Analysis Center Activities

Daniel Koenig, Daniela Thaller

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# Operational Products

- Daily and Weekly:
  - activities resumed
  - missing products reprocessed
- Epoch issue in Weekly SP3 files fixed
- ILRS-A combinations: strange editing of parameters

# EGSIEM

- Special settings:
  - 30-d solutions for 2006+2007
  - homogeneous parameterization
  - low-degree GFC estimated, station positions fixed
- Significant adaptations to available procedures necessary
- Contradictions SINEX intervals/observations available
- BKG solutions approaching submission

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# GFZ AC Report

Rolf Koenig

# Status Report

- Availability of daily pos+eop in 2016: 95.4 %
- Availability of weekly pos+eop in 2016: 100 %
- V70 pos+eop is running
  - Time variable gravity as requested by ECP not yet implemented
- PP systematic biases
  - Eventually, trick was found to transport frequencies to SINEX
  - V201 is in the queue
- ITRF2014 tests are ongoing
  - Had some problems to achieve same number of observations for comparisons
    - validity periods
      - e.g. Wettzell 88341001 has huge gap between FEB-14-2009 and NOV-11-2010 in ITRF2014
    - POD in 2014 showed improved orbital fits of  $\sim 1\text{mm}$  vs. SLRF2008
- DTRF2014, JTRF2014 tests not started yet



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# The JCET AC/CC Report to the ILRS ASC & Station Systematic Errors Monitoring PP Summary

April 22, 2017

E. C. Pavlis and M. Kuzmich-Cieslak

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# Outline



- ◆ **Operational Products Status**
- ◆ **Network support (Quarantined and Validated stations, etc.)**
- ◆ **Station Systematic Error Monitoring Pilot Project**
- ◆ **Release of SLRF2014 (ITRF2014+historical & new sites)**
- ◆ **Orbital files (SP3c) comparisons online**
- ◆ **Journal of Geodesy ILRS Special Issue**





# Operational Products Status



- ◆ Daily and Weekly series delivered routinely and consistently by seven of the eight ACs
- ◆ Since early July we have not received contributions from GRGS
  - Latest news from Florent indicate that a restart is imminent
- ◆ With the routinely contributing ACs down to six-seven, it is important that all ACs make an effort to deliver their contributions regularly, to maintain the quality of our products!

- ◆ Six ACs contributed series so far (see next)
- ◆ Two combinations completed ASI & JCET;
- ◆ We need to ensure that the common convention of identifying which estimate belongs to which wavelength for sites that support ranging in more than one wavelength is used correctly by all ACs
- ◆ We need commitment from the ACs (hopefully more than the six that participated in the PP) that they will support a weekly product, once the PP is completed and we launch the operational phase



# ACs Supporting the SSEM PP



◆ AC-contributed series that we received so far:

Analysis Center	Date of Submission
ASI	April 11, 2017
DGFI	March 24, 2017
ESA	Nov. 25, 2016
JCET	April 14, 2017
NSGF	April 15, 2016
GFZ	July 13, 2016



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## Monitoring of ILRS Analysis SC Products

- WEEKLY STATION POSITIONS & DAILY EOP SERIES
- EVALUATION OF WEEKLY ASC PRODUCTS
- MONITORING SYSTEMATIC ERRORS AT ILRS STATIONS
- NETWORK PERFORMANCE ON LAGEOS AND LAGEOS2
- SYSTEMATIC ERROR ESTIMATION PILOT PROJECT
- NORMAL POINT DATA MONITORING (CDDIS)

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# Systematic Error PP Results



## Systematic Errors Estimated from LAGEOS and LAGEOS-2 SLR DATA Pilot Project Results from period 2005-2009

### INDIVIDUAL ESTIMATE L1

- ASI v201**
- BKG v200\**
- DGFI v201**
- ESA v200**
- GRGS v200\**
- GFZ v200**
- JCET v202**
- NSGF v200**
- ILRSA v200\**
- ILRSB v200**

Start (MM-DD-YYYY):

End Date (MM-DD-YYYY)

Station

### INDIVIDUAL ESTIMATE L2

- ASI v201**
- BKG v200\**
- DGFI v201**
- ESA v200**
- GRGS v200\**
- GFZ v200**
- JCET v202**
- NSGF v200**
- ILRSA v200\**
- ILRSB v200**

### COMBINED ESTIMATE L1+L2

- ASI v211**
- BKG v210\**
- DGFI v210**
- ESA v210**
- GRGS v211\**
- GFZ v210**
- JCET v212**
- NSGF v210**
- ILRSA v212\**
- ILRSB v210**

Some very recent uploads not reflected here (ASI ;-)

Plot Size

Minimum

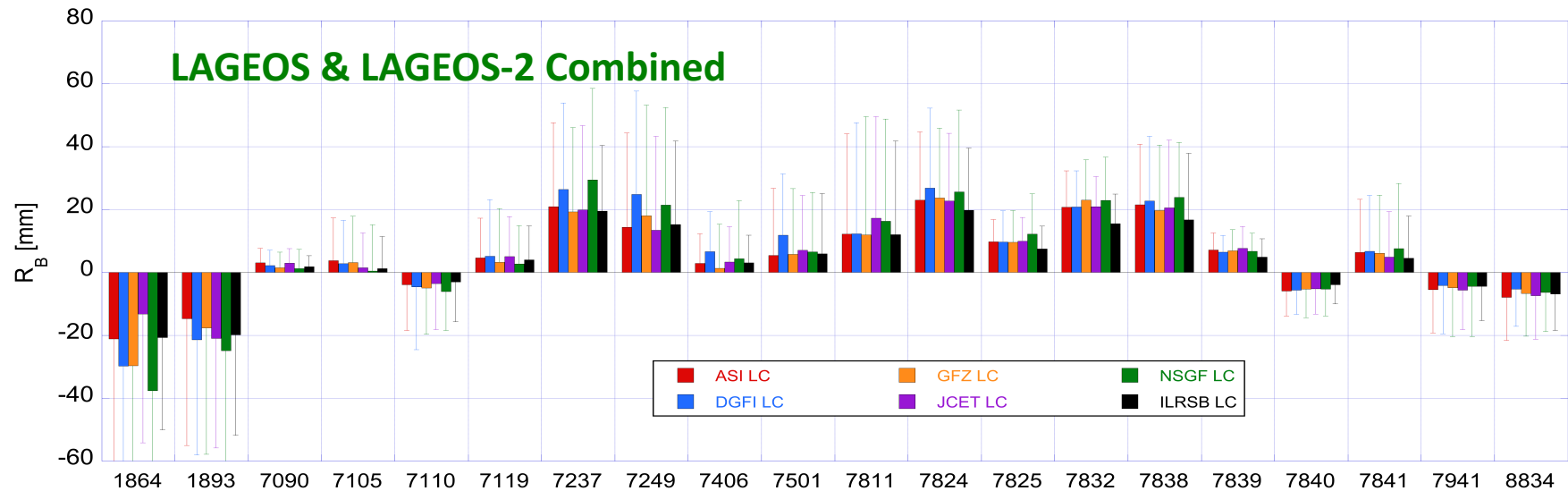
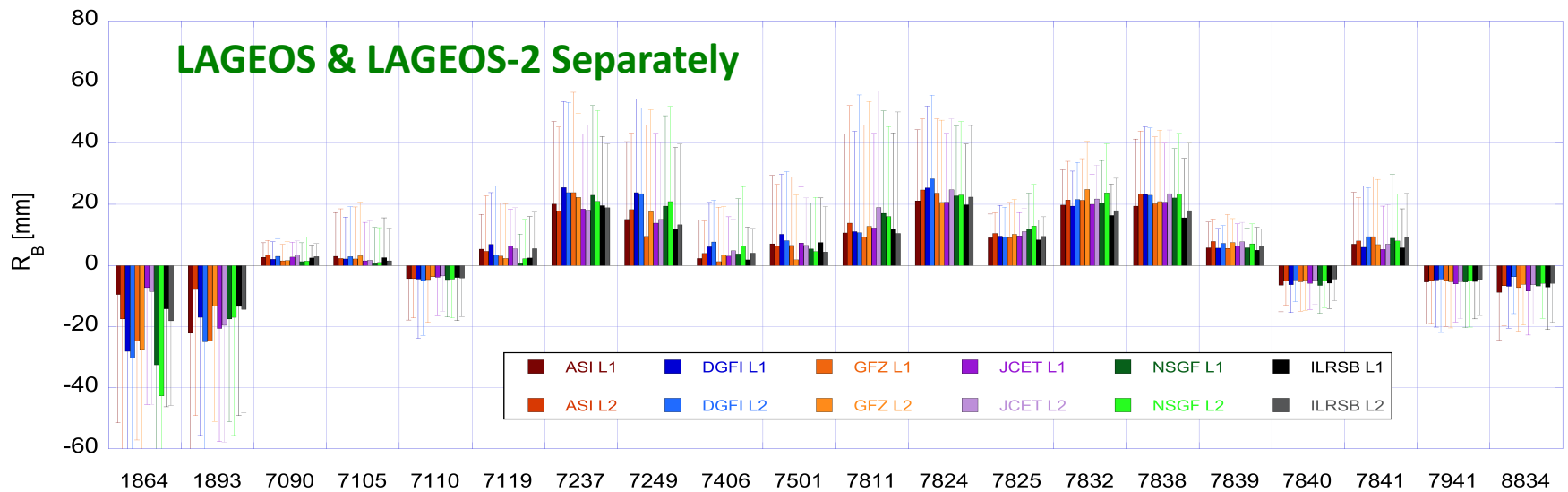
Maximum

**"\*" indicates no submission available from that AC**

Y axis



# Average Error over 2005 - 2008





# Multiple Wavelength Flag Table



System	CDP ID#	SOLN Flag	Wavelength
Concepcion	7405	400	423
Concepcion	7405	800	846
Zimmerwald	7810	400	423
Zimmerwald	7810	500	532
Zimmerwald	7810	800	846
SOS Wettzell	7827	400	425
SOS Wettzell	7827	800	850
Matera	7941	300	355
Matera	7941	500	532

Use the hundreds of the wavelength instead of 1,2,3, etc.



# Adoption of SLRF2014 (ITRF2014 enhanced)



- ◆ The final ITRF2014 is available since over a year, the corresponding EOP series aligned with it is now the official IERS EOP product since February 9, 2017;
- ◆ The availability of the new series in early 2017 was to coincide with the time that a new Mean Pole series and corresponding routine would be available from IERS;
- ◆ There is no updated routine on the IERS ftp as of now;
- ◆ Using the available tabular file of the Mean Pole on the IERS website, formed a hybrid routine that incorporates the past MP and the new values for 2016 and some extrapolated values for the near future.
- ◆ This routine can be made available with the understanding that it is NOT an official IERS s/w





# Steps on the way to using SLRF2014/ITRF2014



- ◆ We released SLRF2014 to be used as the official a priori TRF for all ILRS applications: **we must agree on the starting date now**
- ◆ We have generated already an extension of the long-wavelength gravity terms from UT/CSR's 15<sup>d</sup> series in ITRF2014 and our own “predictions”, they can be obtained in the same form as for the ITRF2014 reanalysis from:
- ◆ [http://geodesy.jcet.umbc.edu/ILRS\\_ASC\\_2017\\_ITRF2014\\_IMPLEMENTATION](http://geodesy.jcet.umbc.edu/ILRS_ASC_2017_ITRF2014_IMPLEMENTATION)

## ILRS ASC 2017 ITRF2014 IMPLEMENTATION

Files that may be downloaded by others:

[\\*\\*\\* UPDATED Feb. 19 \\*\\*\\*](#)

[Gravitational HCs for the 2017 ITRF2014 Implementation: FOR NON-GEODYN USERS ONLY](#)

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[Gravitational HCs for the 2017 ITRF2014 Implementation: FOR GEODYN USERS ONLY](#)

- ◆ We have used the new SLRF2014 and the above models to reanalyze the LAGEOS 1 & 2 and ETALON 1 & 2 data from 2012 to present.



# Eccentricity Data Base Clean-up



- ◆ A review of the current station site log files indicated some inconsistencies between what is on file in there and the information in our eccentricity data base and files (SINEX-like)
- ◆ After looking further into this issue, we identified some stations:
  - that show small discrepancies between the two data bases (likely due to the transformation from Cartesian to NEU or vice versa) and
  - some stations where there are bona fide mistakes or omissions
- ◆ We will look into the first to correct things and notify the second group about their errors.
- ◆ The latest release of February 2017 is our best current knowledge of station eccentricity survey results (online at the ILRS web site)



# IERS 2010 Conventions Update



For this purpose, a Conventional Mean Pole (CMP) model is provided by the IERS Conventions. The CMP was provided previously in the IERS Conventions (2003) as a linear model and in the IERS Conventions (2010) as a cubic model with a linear extrapolation after 2010.0. However, in view of present-day ice sheet mass losses, the motion of the mean pole is not likely to be predictable (see e.g., Chen, et al. 2013) at the level required for the pole tide correction. Therefore, starting with year 2015, the CMP of the IERS Conventions will no longer be represented by a polynomial but will be provided by a FORTRAN subroutine, updated yearly and referenced as IERS CMP YYYY.f for year YYYY, based on observations made available by the IERS Earth Orientation Centre. At the beginning of year YYYY, the IERS Earth Orientation Centre will generate a table of observed values of the mean pole with the last point at epoch YYYY.0 by filtering periodic terms in the EOP(IERS) C01 series  $\langle^8\rangle$ . The IERS Convention Center then incorporates it in the subroutine IERS CMP YYYY.f, updated annually at  $\langle^9\rangle$ , that generates the components  $x_p^-$  and  $y_p^-$  of the IERS CMP(YYYY) for epochs after 1970.

These values are computed by linear interpolation of the yearly values taken from the observations provided by the IERS Earth Orientation Centre. Because of the filtering process, the values of the mean pole are likely to change as the polar motion time series is extended, but the changes should remain within the range of the required accuracy. The subroutine also provides options to obtain the CMP coordinates as described in previous versions of the IERS Conventions. The use of the most recent version is recommended as significant departures from observations may result using earlier versions for years that lie outside of the range for which they were designed. In any case, users should document the version they use.

## Chapter 7, section 7.1.4

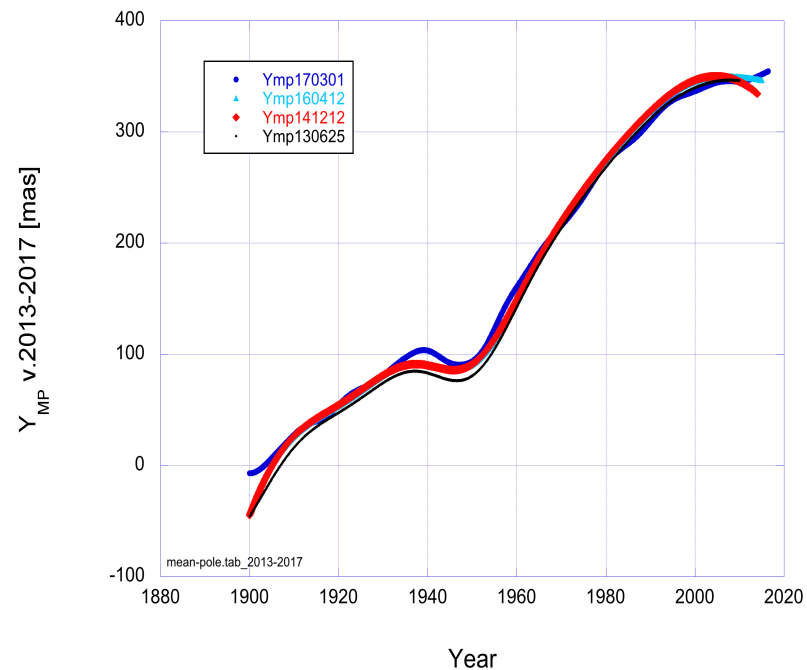
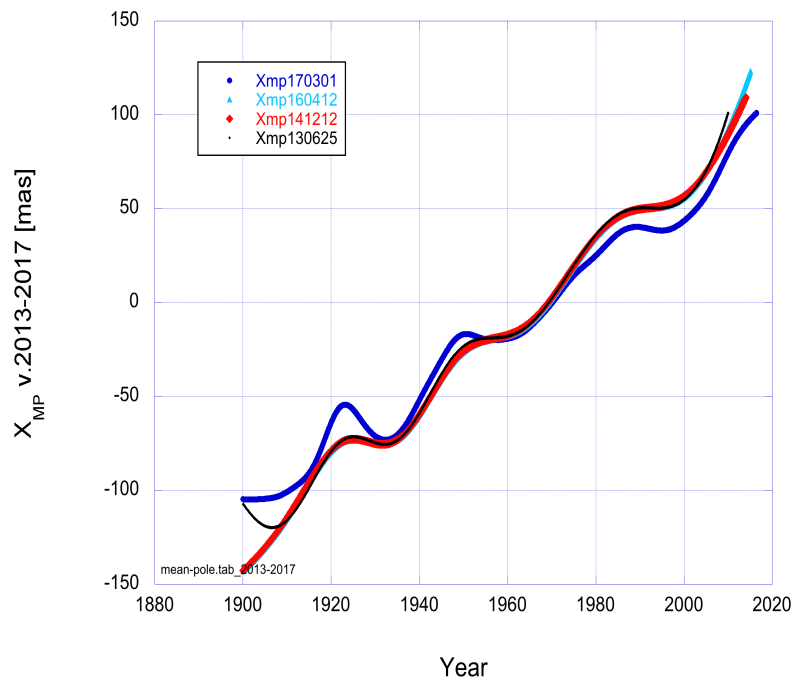
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IERS CMP (YYYY-1).f



# IERS CMP Comparison

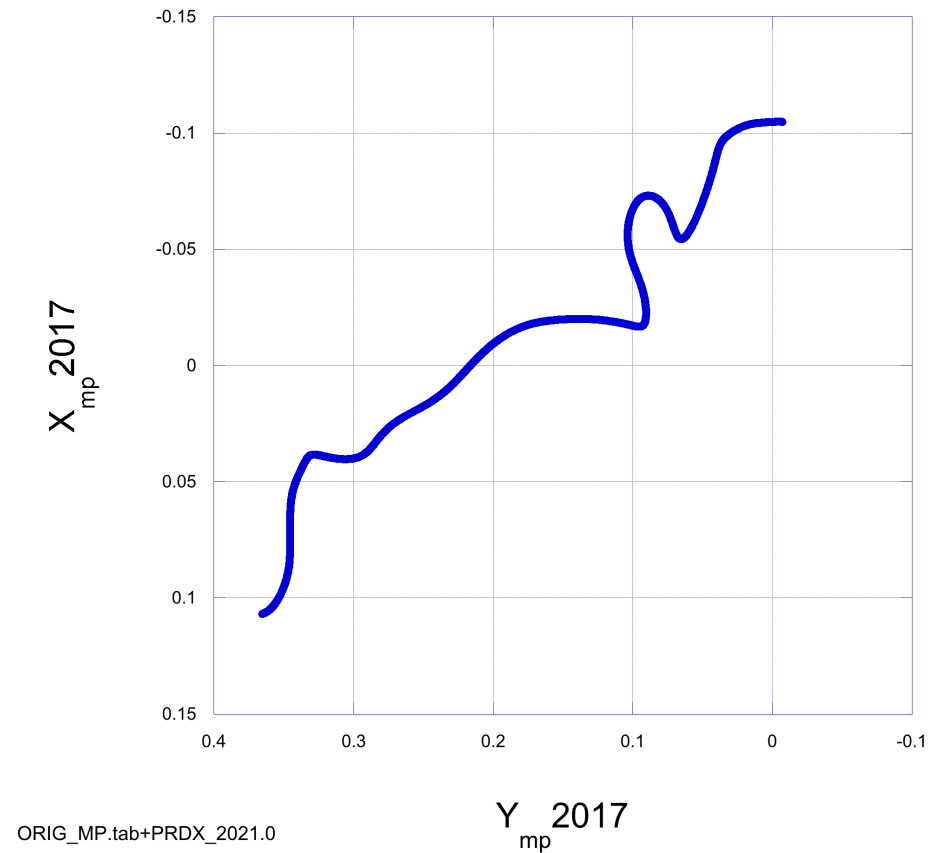
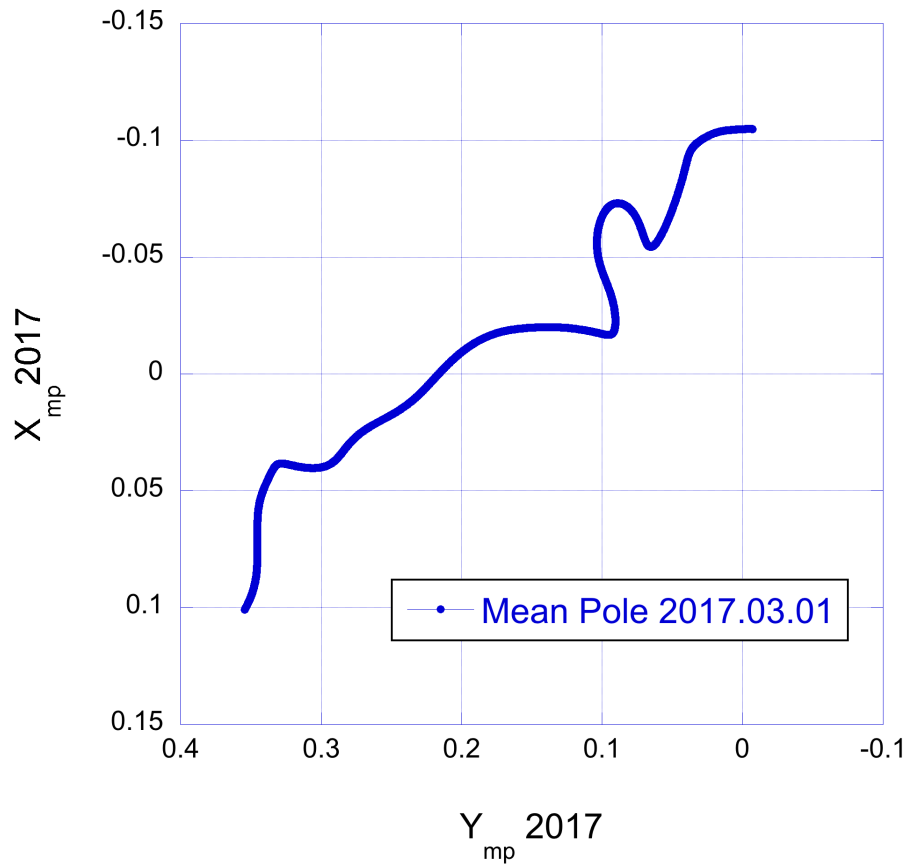




# IERS CMP Polhode plus Prediction



—•— IERS MP 1900-2016.5 & Prediction to 2021.0





# ILRS CMP 2016.f from JCET



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SUBROUTINE ILRS_CMP_2016 (version, epoch,x,y,error)
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*
*****
* THIS ROUTINE IS NOT THE IERS ROUTINE FOR THE MEAN POLE COMPUTATION
*****
*
* This routine is BASED on the IERS_CMP_2015.f of the International Earth Rotation and
* Reference Systems Service (IERS) Conventions software collection.
*
* This subroutine provides the angular coordinates of the IERS Conventional Mean Pole (CMP)
* to be used in the analysis of space geodesy data after 1970.
* Starting with the version CMP(2015), the coordinates are
* based on the table of values from ftp://hpiers.obspm.fr/iers/eop/eopc01/mean-pole.tab
* See IERS Conventions Section 7.1.4 at http://tai.bipm.org/iers/convupdt/convupdt.html for details.
* The subroutine also provides previous versions of the CMP in the IERS Conventions (2003) and (2010)
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* In general, Class 1, 2, and 3 models represent physical effects that
* act on geodetic parameters while canonical models provide lower-level
* representations or basic computations that are used by Class 1, 2, or
* 3 models.
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* Status: Class 1
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* Class 1 models are those recommended to be used a priori in the
* reduction of raw space geodetic data in order to determine
* geodetic parameter estimates.
* Class 2 models are those that eliminate an observational
* singularity and are purely conventional in nature.
* Class 3 models are those that are not required as either Class
* 1 or 2.
* Canonical models are accepted as is and cannot be classified as a
* Class 1, 2, or 3 model.
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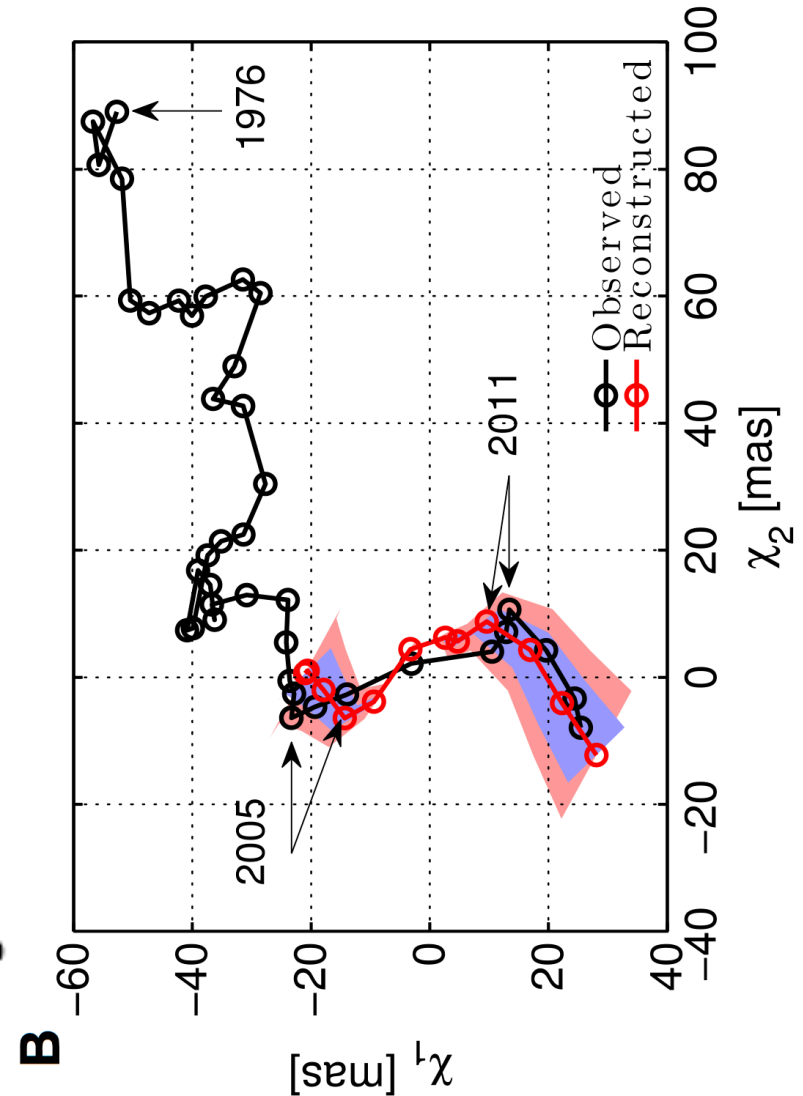
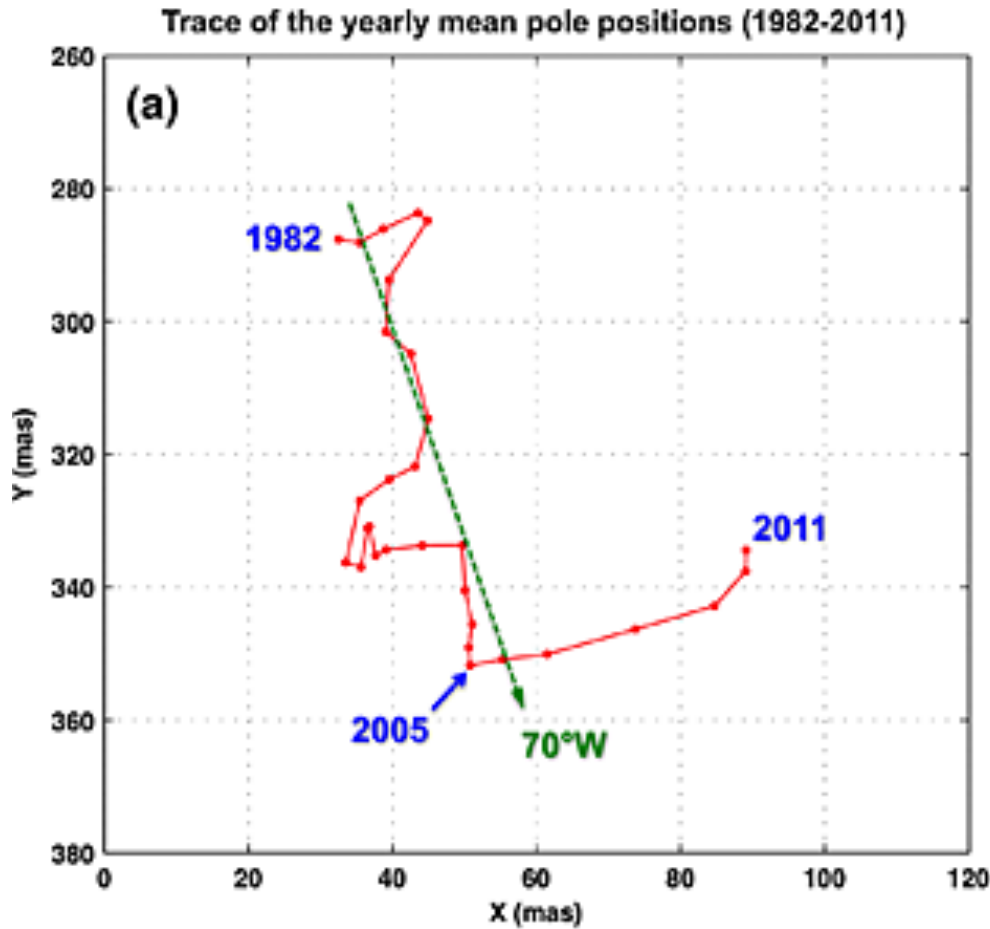
## ◆ How do we evaluate our current performance?

(Session 2 Chairs: Erricos Pavlis, Toshi Otsubo, Horst Mueller, Cinzia Luceri)

- What is the status of the Range bias pilot project and the other evaluation tools used by the AC's
- What tools do we have at the stations? Are they the right ones? Can we define diagnostic procedures?
- Reporting procedures (feedback)
- How does the performance of the new technology stations compare with the legacy
- stations? What are the observed differences? What should the differences be?
- Do differences in data screening procedures have any impact on the consistency of our
- data products?

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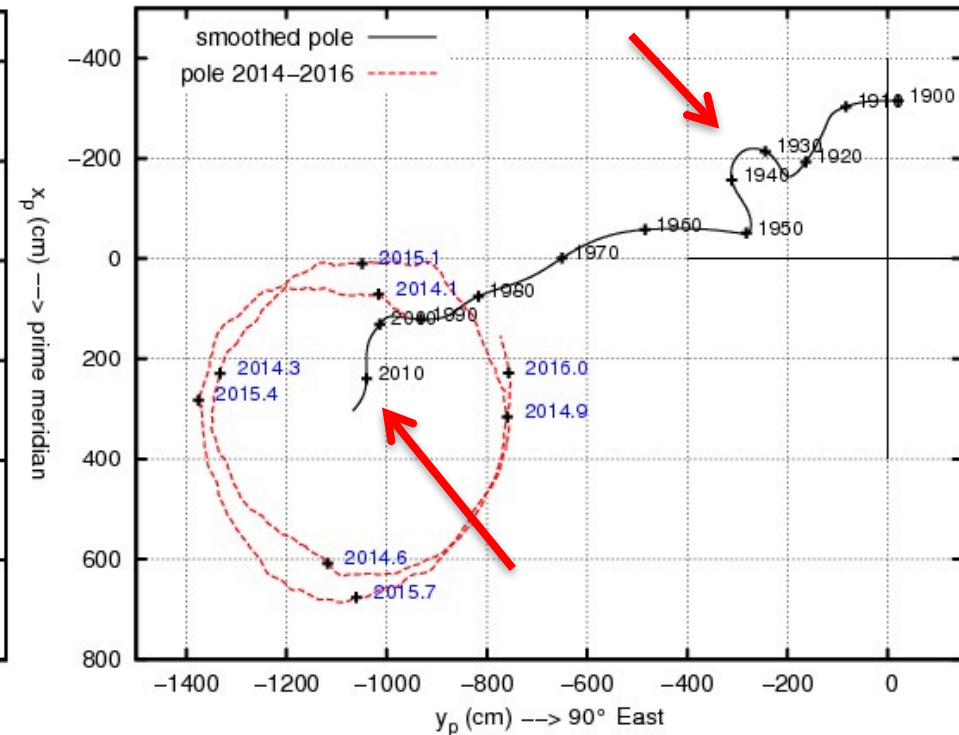
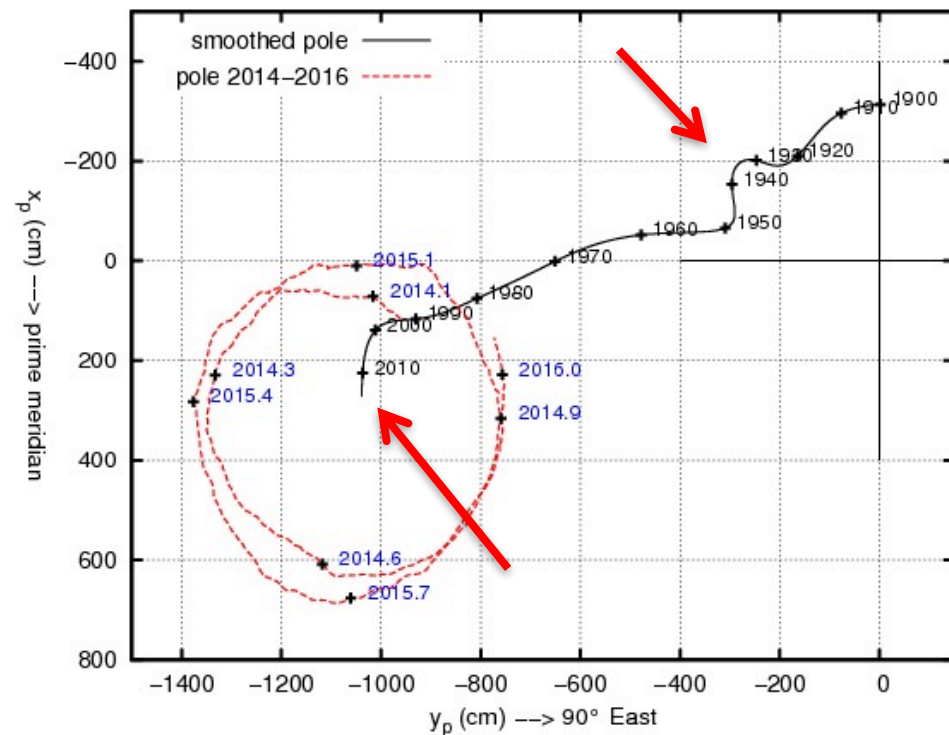
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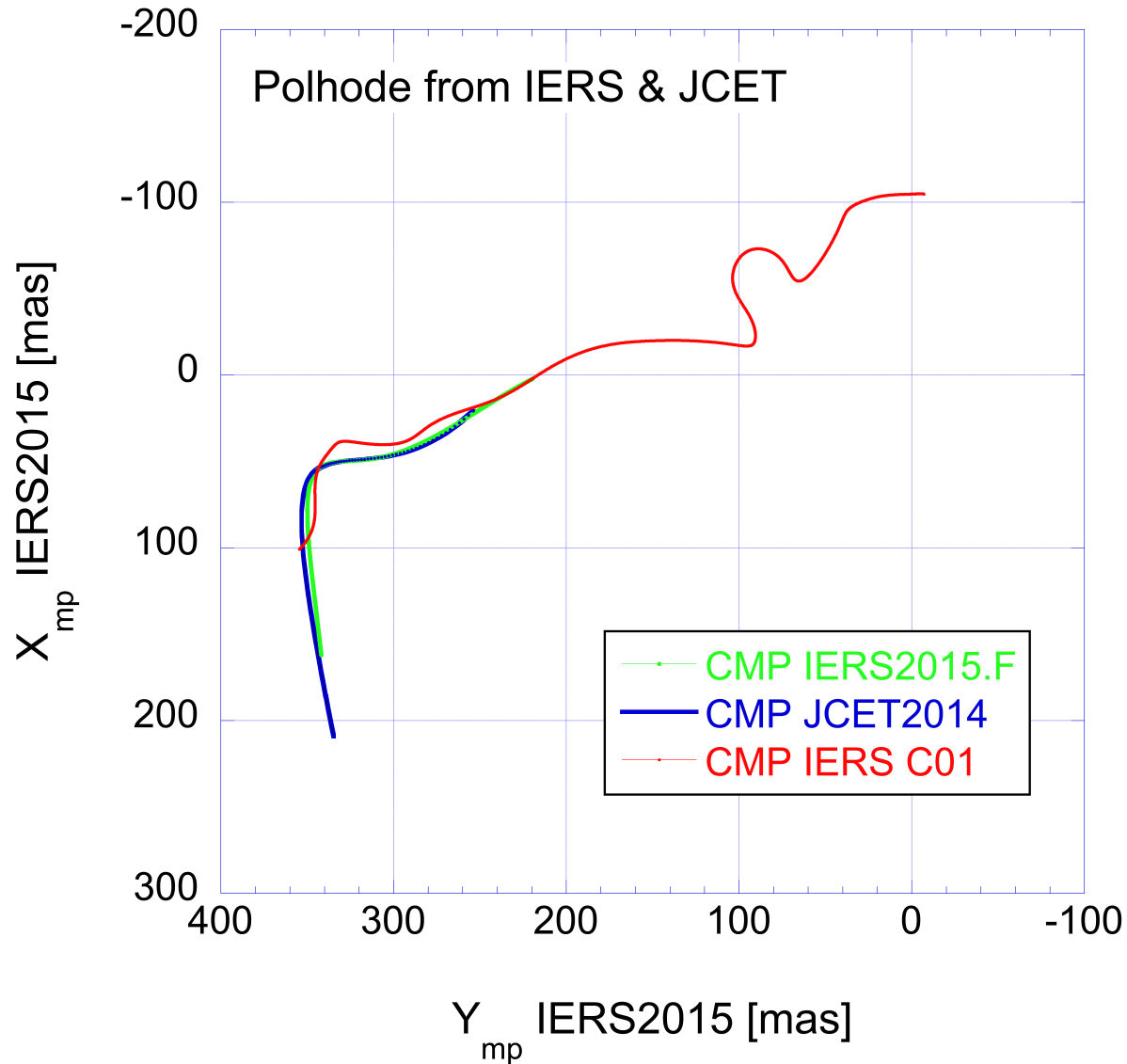


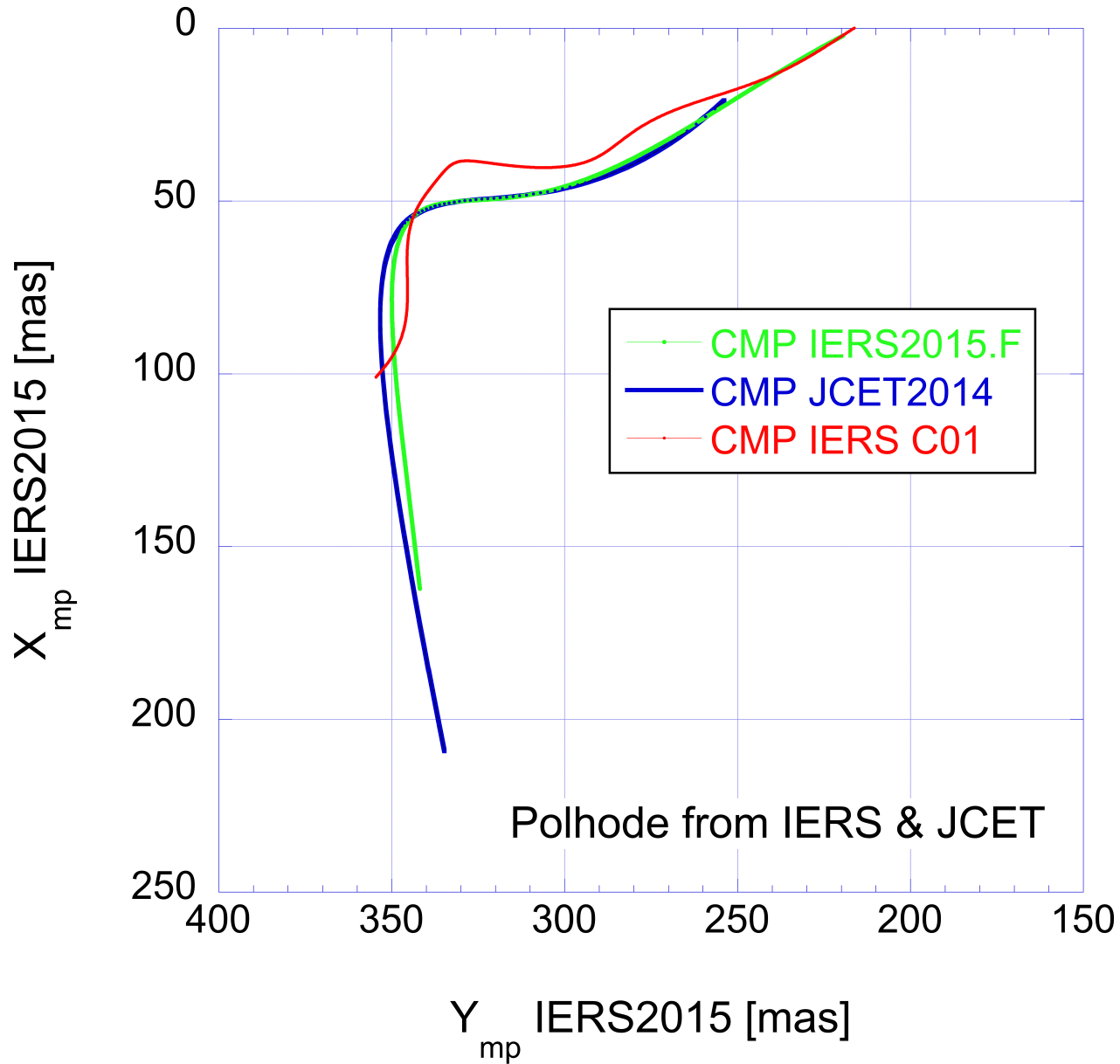


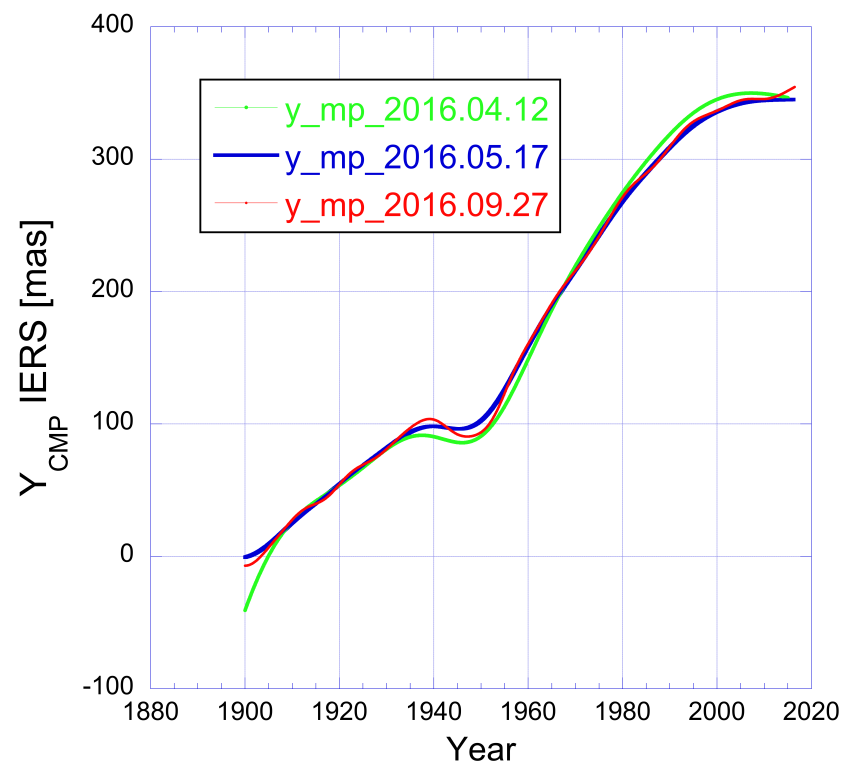
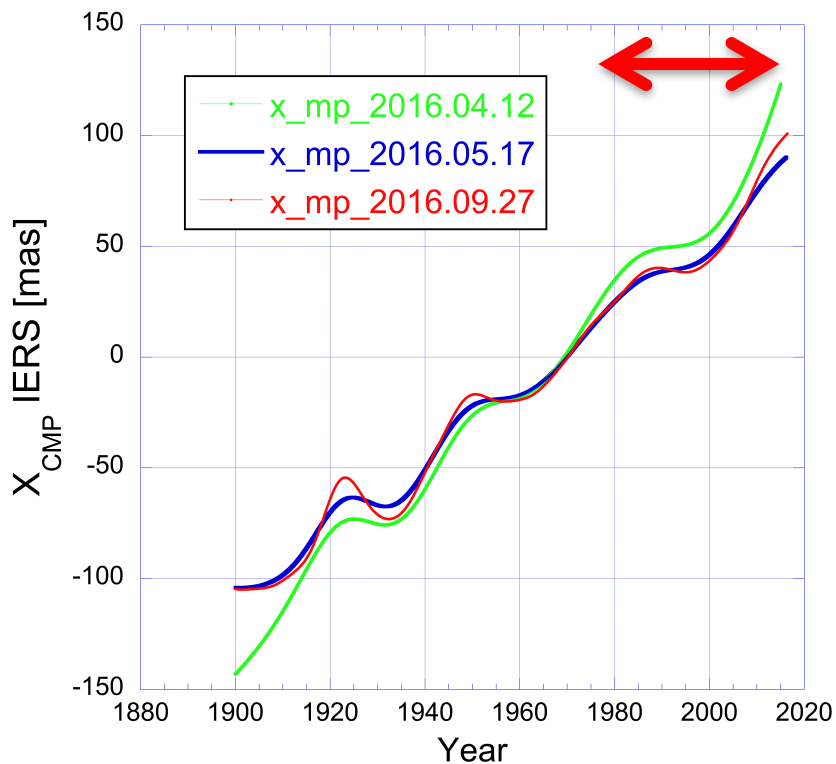
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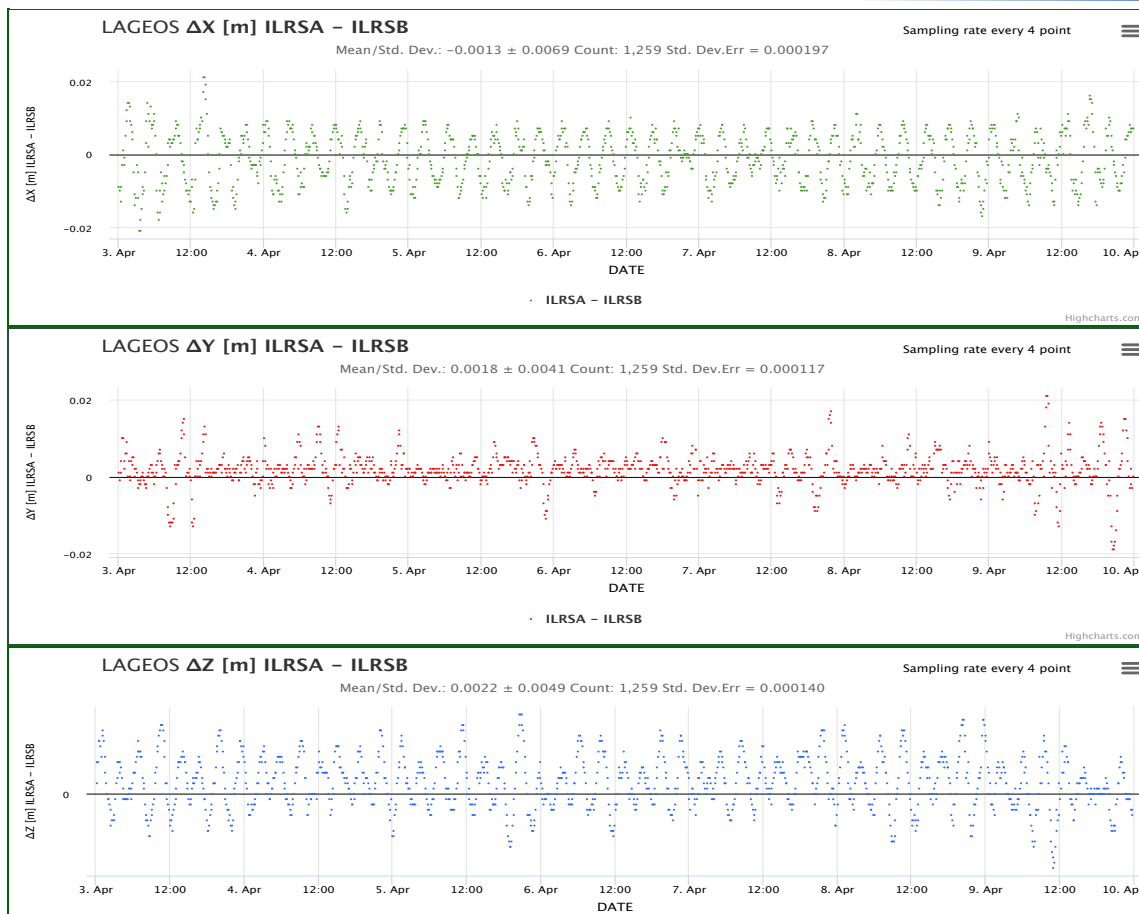




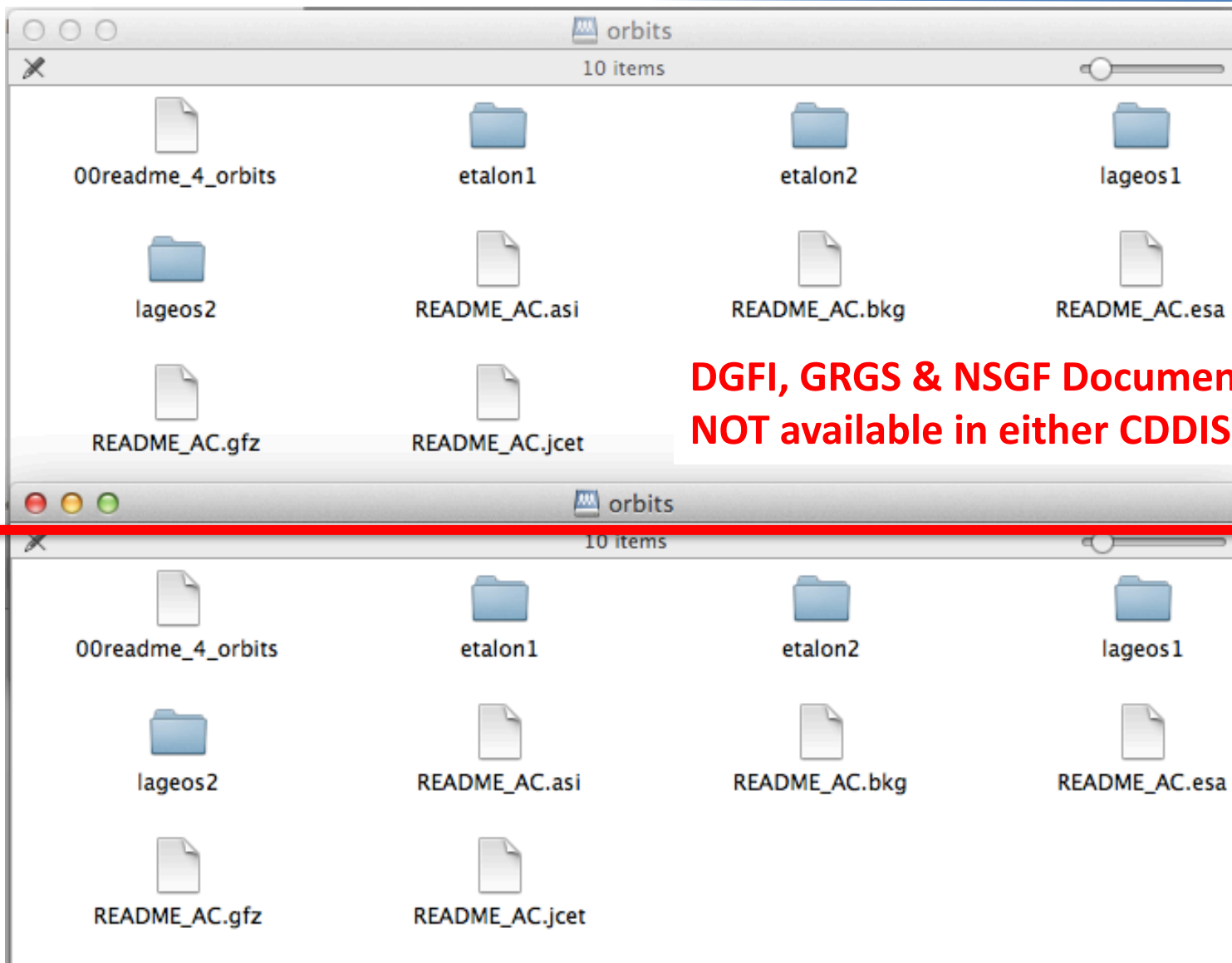




**These modifications of the series in the special table “*mean-pole.tab*” were not announced and to this point no one has documented anywhere that they ever happened. Unless someone checked the file often, we do not know how many times it was changed.**



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#	TITLE	Lead Author(s)
0	Foreword	The Guest EB
1	The International Laser Ranging Service (ILRS): The First Decade and Beyond	<b>Pearlman</b> , Appleby, Noll, Pavlis, Torrence
2	Information Resources Supporting Scientific Research for the International Laser Ranging Service	<b>Noll</b> , Horvath, Ricklefs, Schwatke, Torrence
3	<i>Past, Present and Future of the ILRS Global Tracking Network</i>	<i>Dunn, Torrence, Pearlman, Varghese and McCormick ???</i>
4	Next Generation Satellite Laser Ranging Systems	<b>Degnan</b> , McGarry, Kirchner, Appleby, Prochazka, Jäggi, Moore, Artyukh, Samain, Schreiber
5	<b>Geodetic satellites: a high accuracy positioning tool</b>	<b>Pearlman</b> , Arnold, Davis, Barlier, Biancale, Vasiliev, Paolozzi, Ciufolini, Pavlis
5a	<b>Altimetric missions and SLR (???)</b>	<b>Lemoine, ???</b>
6	Satellite Laser Ranging to Global Navigation Satellite Systems	<b>Thaller</b> , Dell'Agnello, Fumin, Govind, Nakamura, Noda, Springer
7	Lunar Laser Ranging – A Tool for General Relativity, Lunar Geophysics and Earth Science	<b>J. Müller</b> , Murphy, Schreiber, Shelus, Torre, Williams, Boggs
8	Interplanetary Ranging	<b>Degnan</b> , Schreiber, McGarry, Sun, Zagwodzki, Murphy, Samain, Turyshev
9	Target Signature Systematic Errors for Geodetic Satellites and Novel LR Array Design	<b>Appleby</b> , Otsubo, Arnold, Kirchner, Neubert, Grunwaldt, Vasiliev
10	Data Quality Control Service for the ILRS Tracking Network	<b>Otsubo</b> , H. Müller, Pavlis, Torrence, Thaller, Glotov, Xiaoya, Appleby
11	Systematic errors in SLR Data: Documentation and Discussion of their Sources	<b>Luceri</b> , H. Müller, Vei, Appleby and Pavlis
12	Operational and Definitive Products of the ILRS Analysis Working Group	<b>Luceri</b> and Pavlis
13	<i>Monitoring Mass Redistribution in the Earth System with SLR</i>	<i>Pavlis, König, Ries, Deleflie, Cheng, H. Müller, ???</i>
14	<i>The ILRS Contribution to the International Terrestrial Reference Frame (ITRF)</i>	<i>Pavlis and the ASC ACs and CCs</i>

**We also had EIGHT (8) “un-solicited” abstracts (still interested???)**

- 1) **BOLD** indicates working title from author(s) for a submitted abstract
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- 3) *Non-bold entries in italics are still pending!!!*



# ILRS Orbital Product Monitoring (SP3 Formatted Files)



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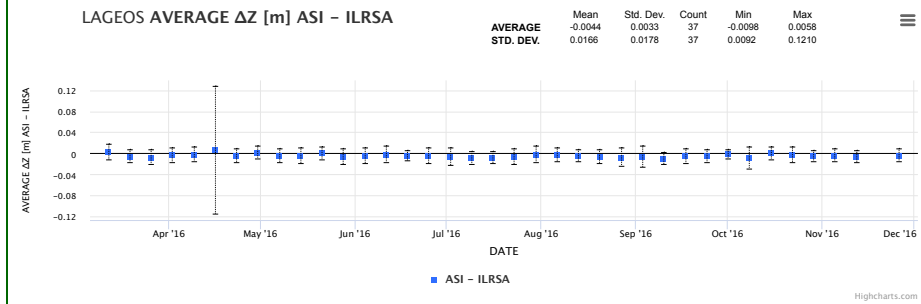
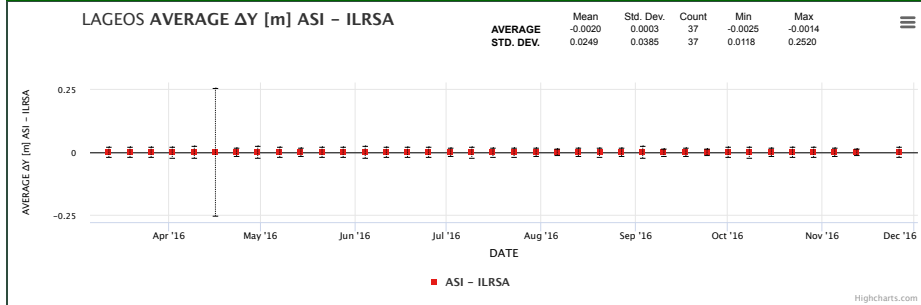
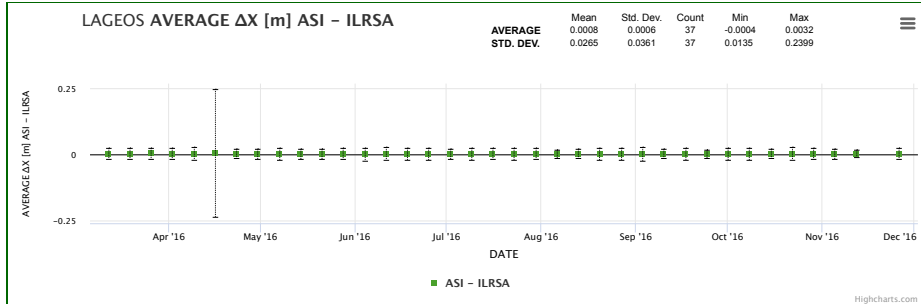
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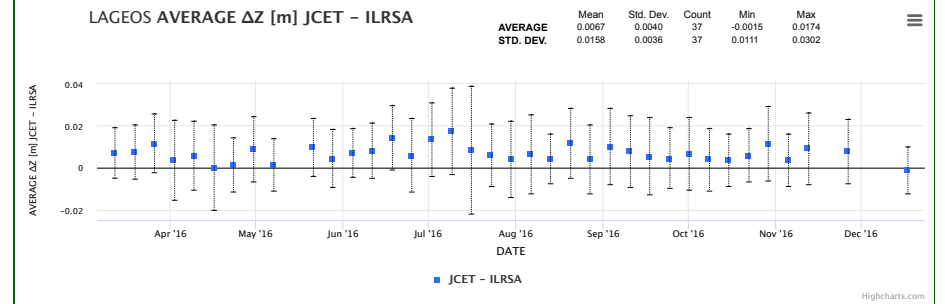
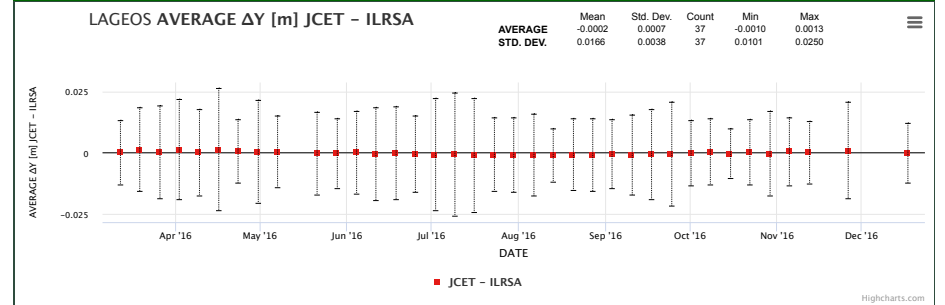
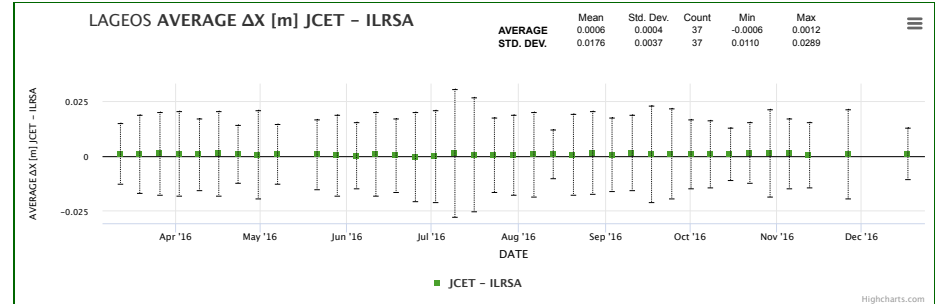


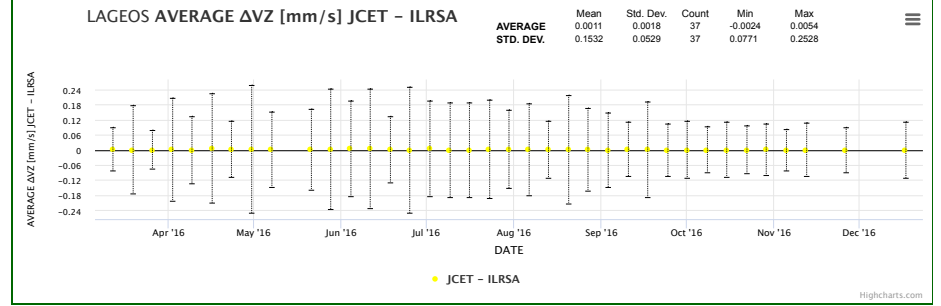
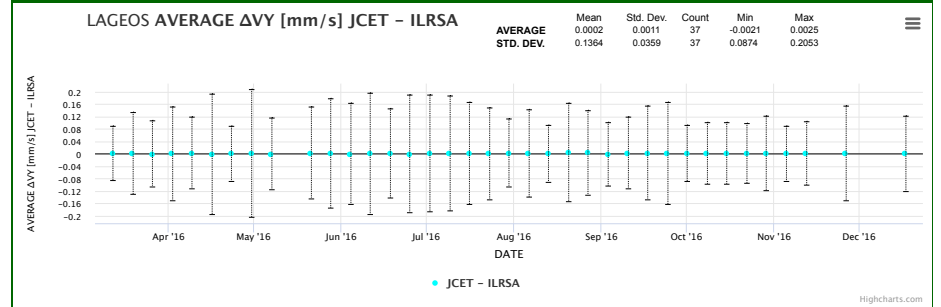
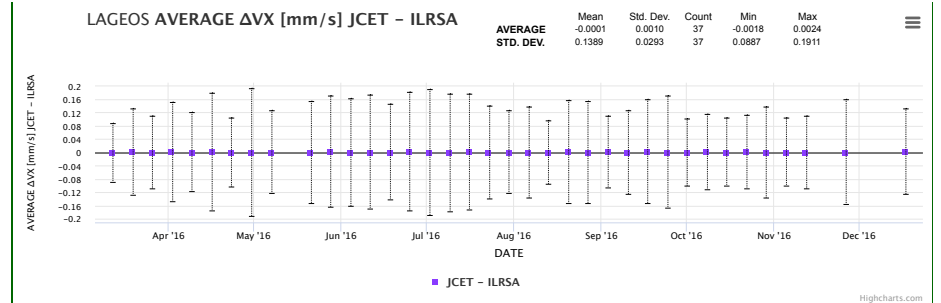
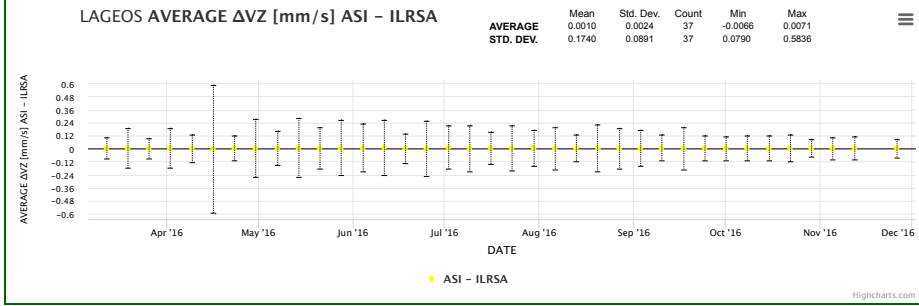
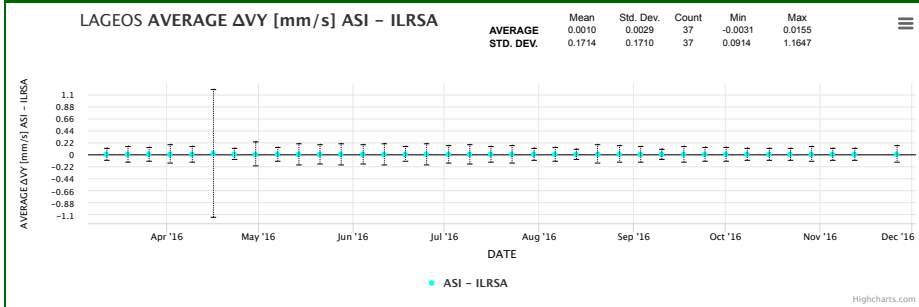
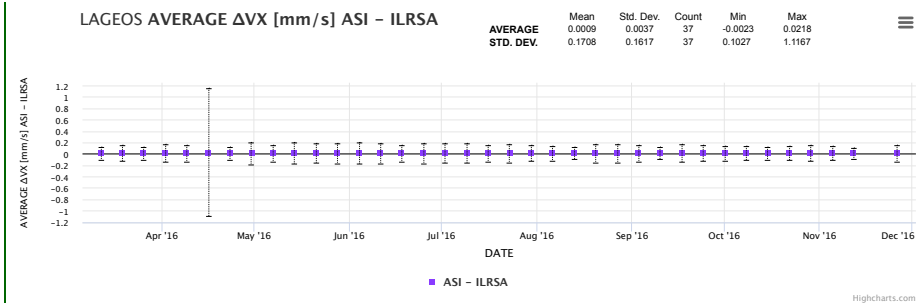


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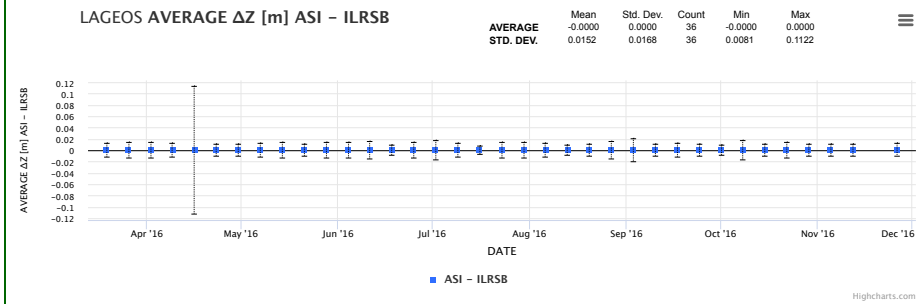
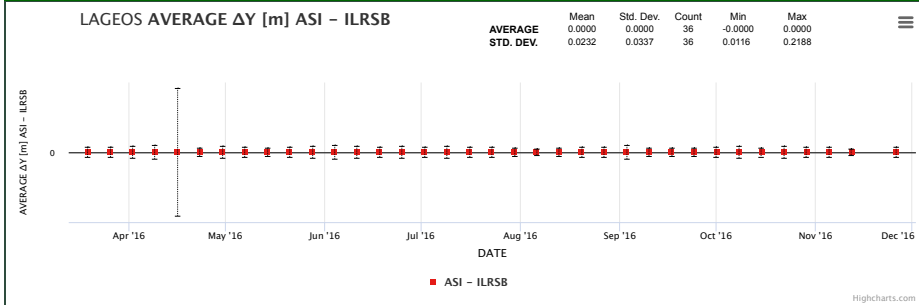
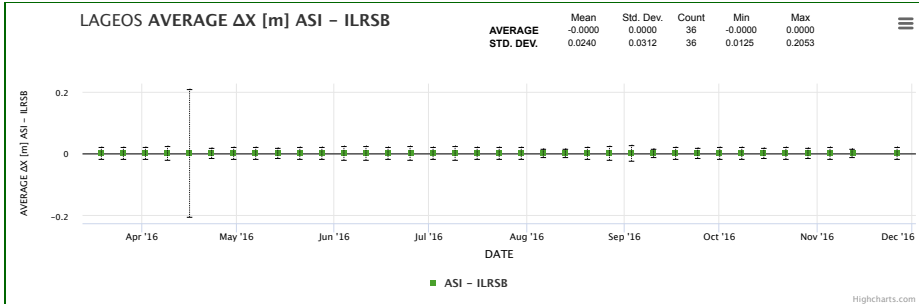
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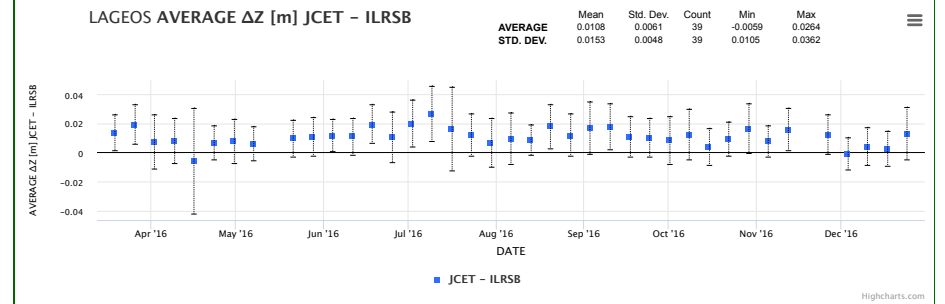
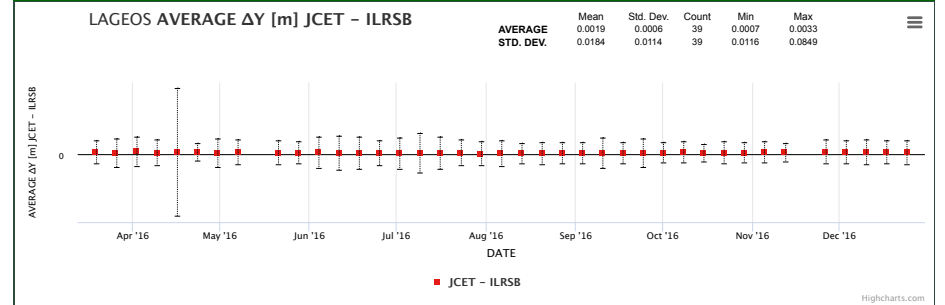
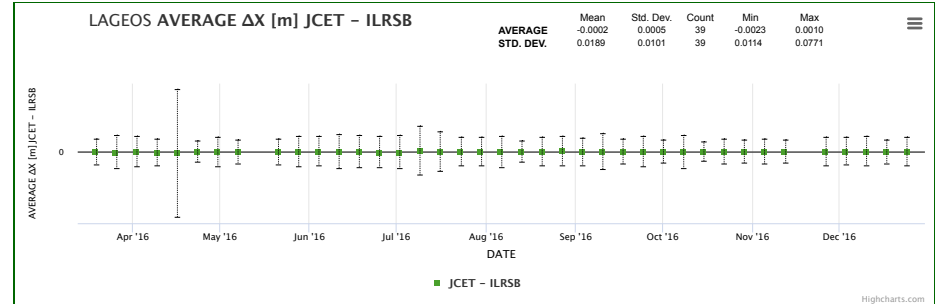
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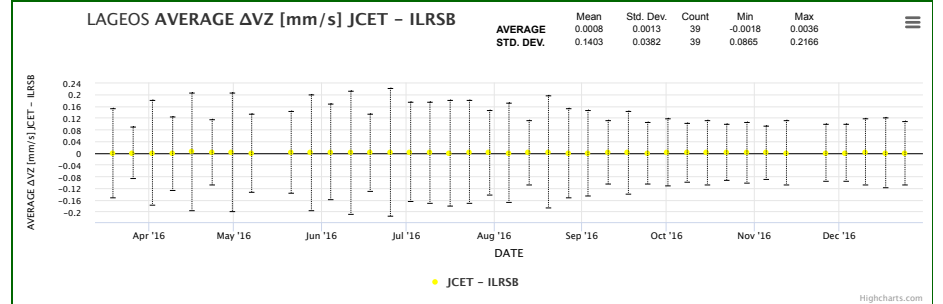
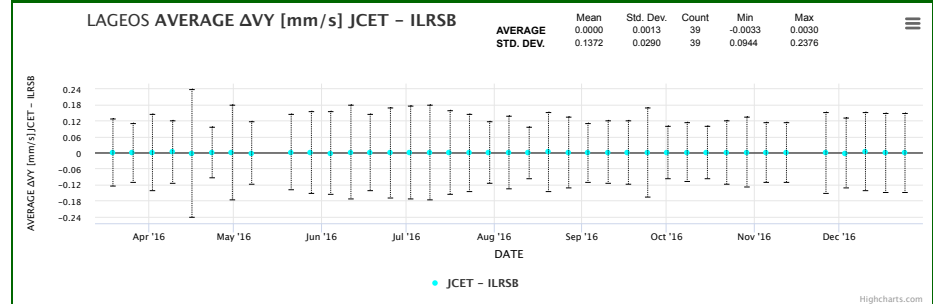
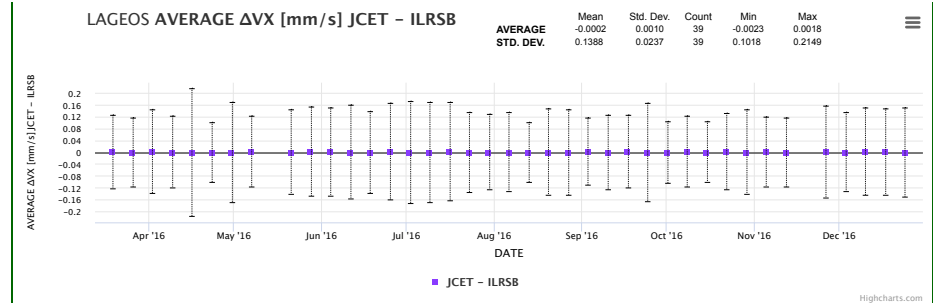
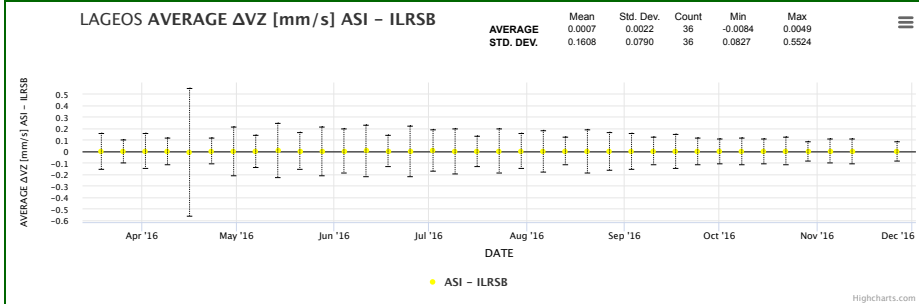
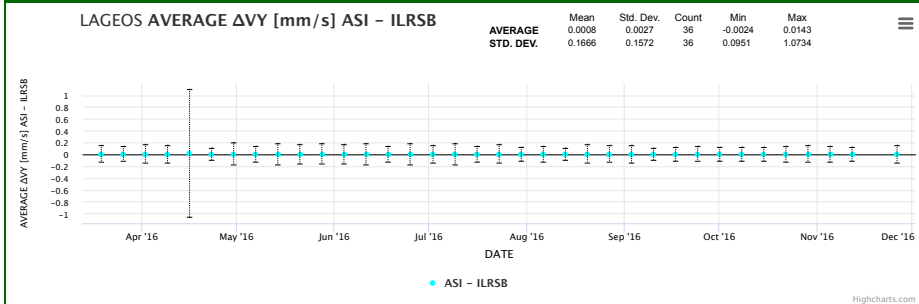
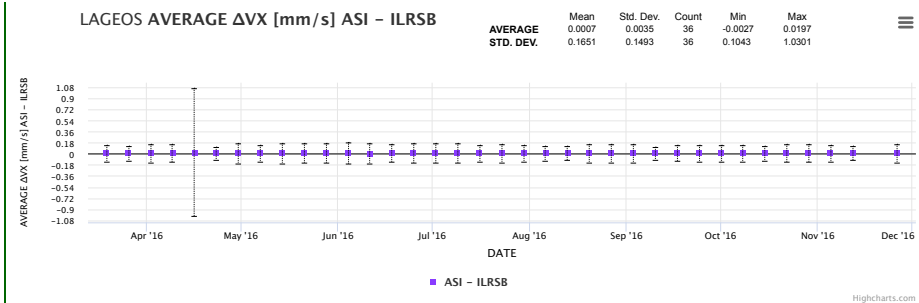
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Satellite:

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Quantities to display:

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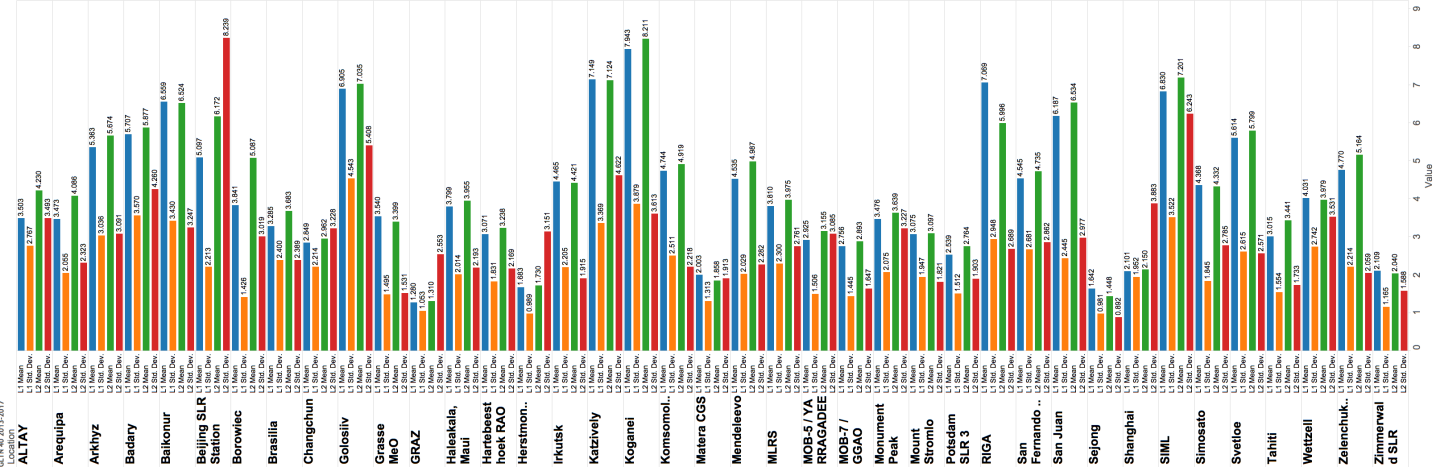
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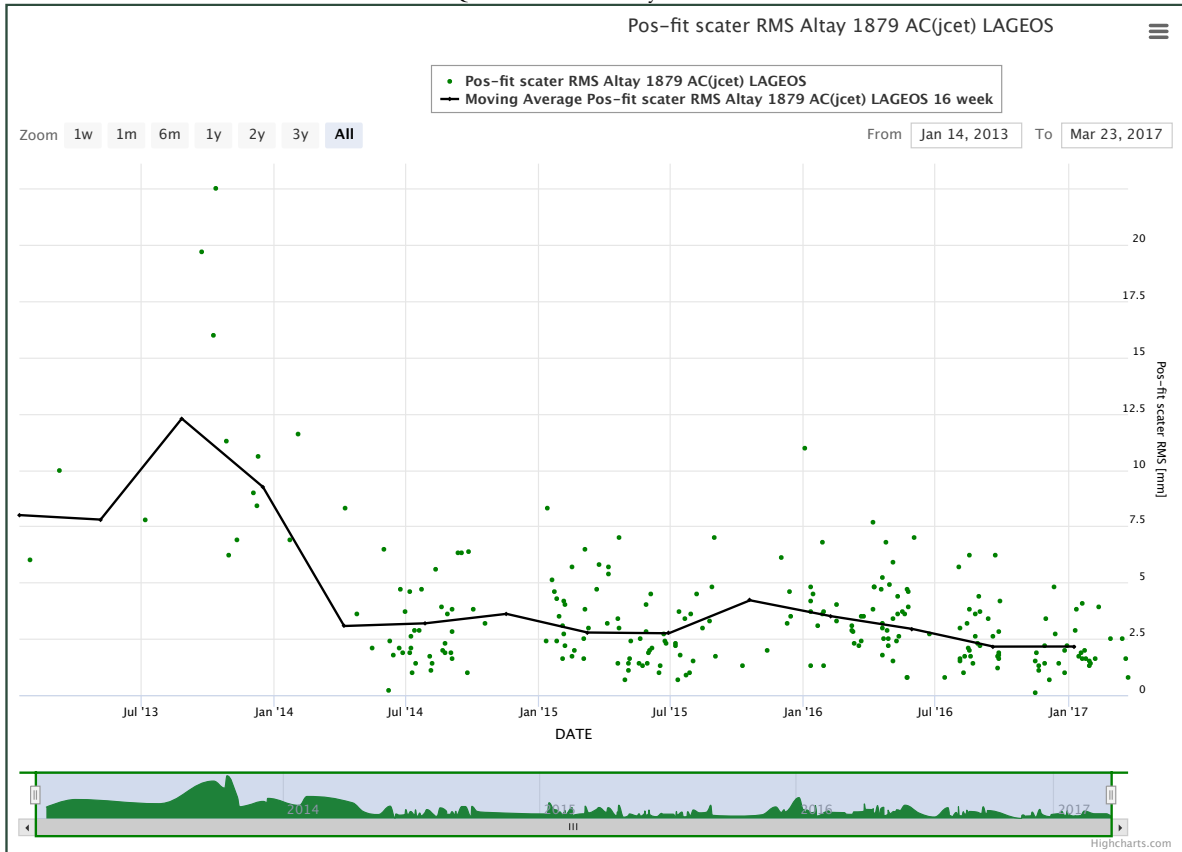


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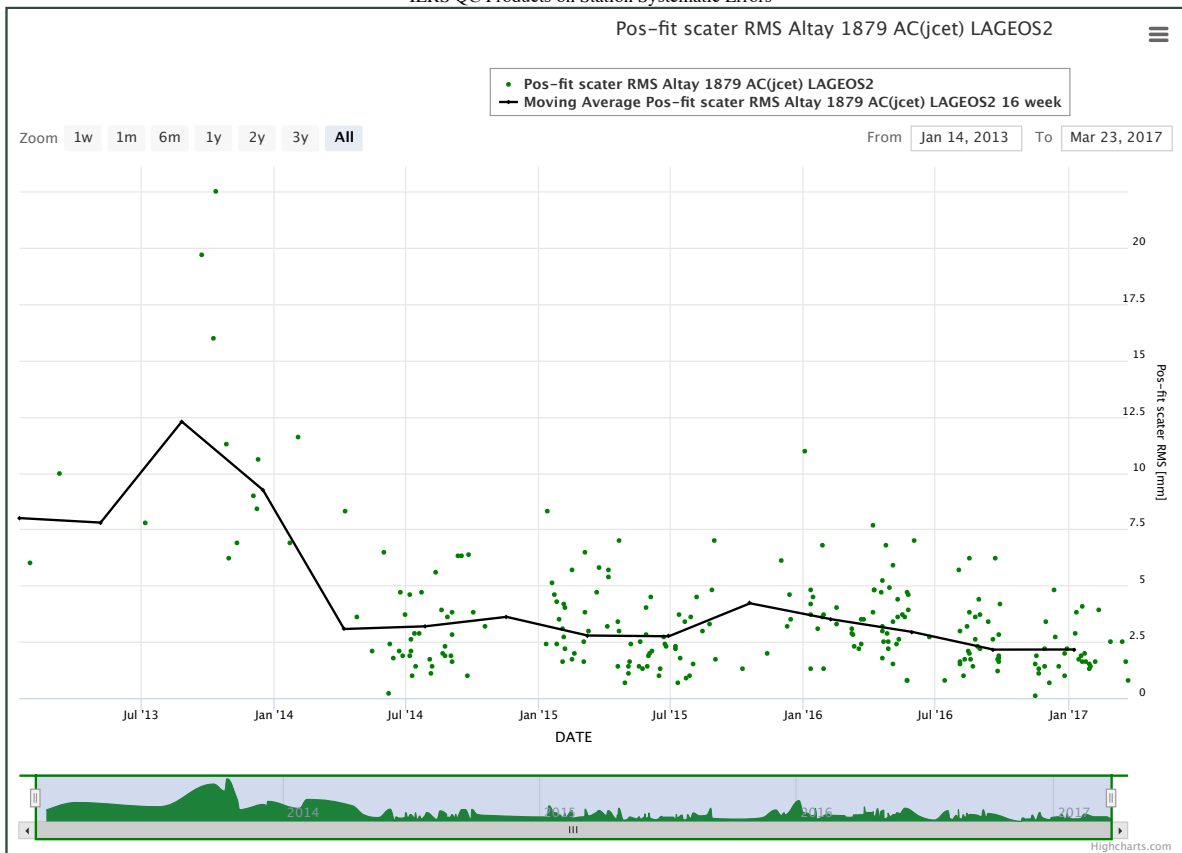


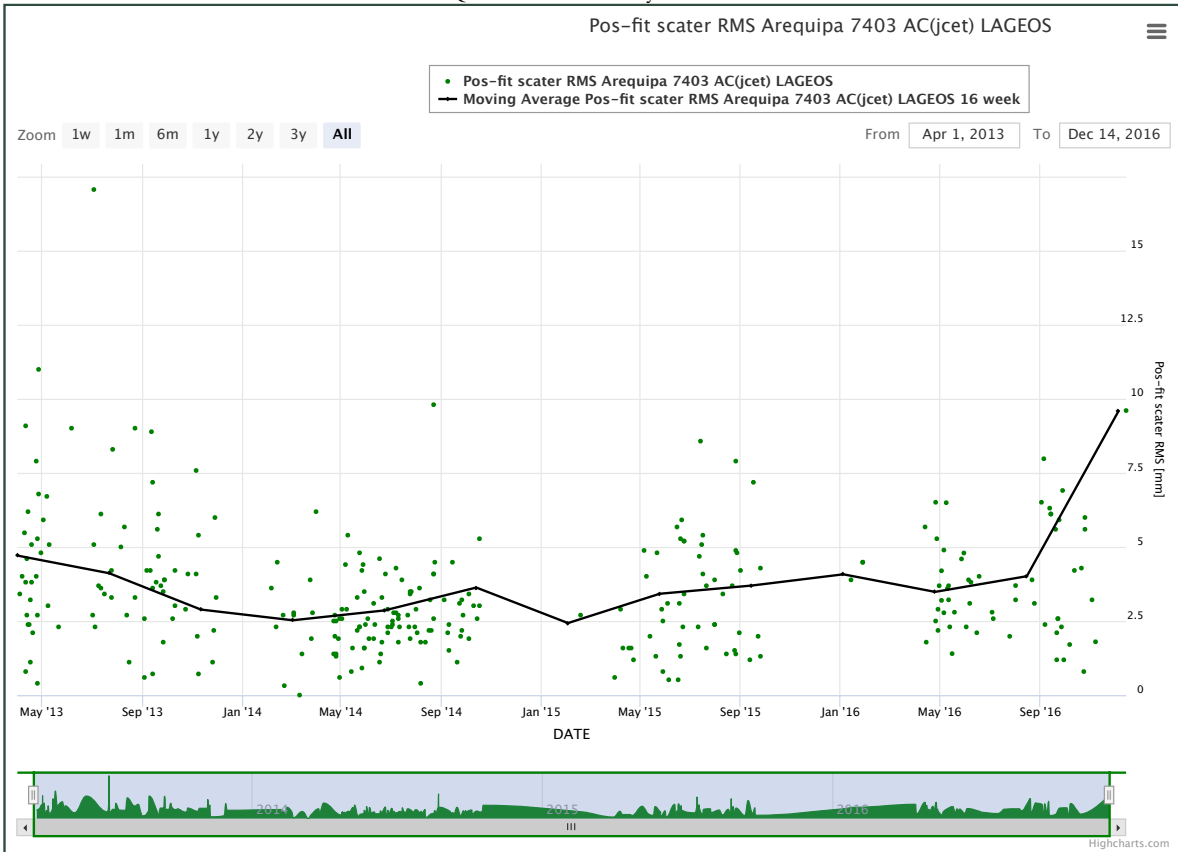
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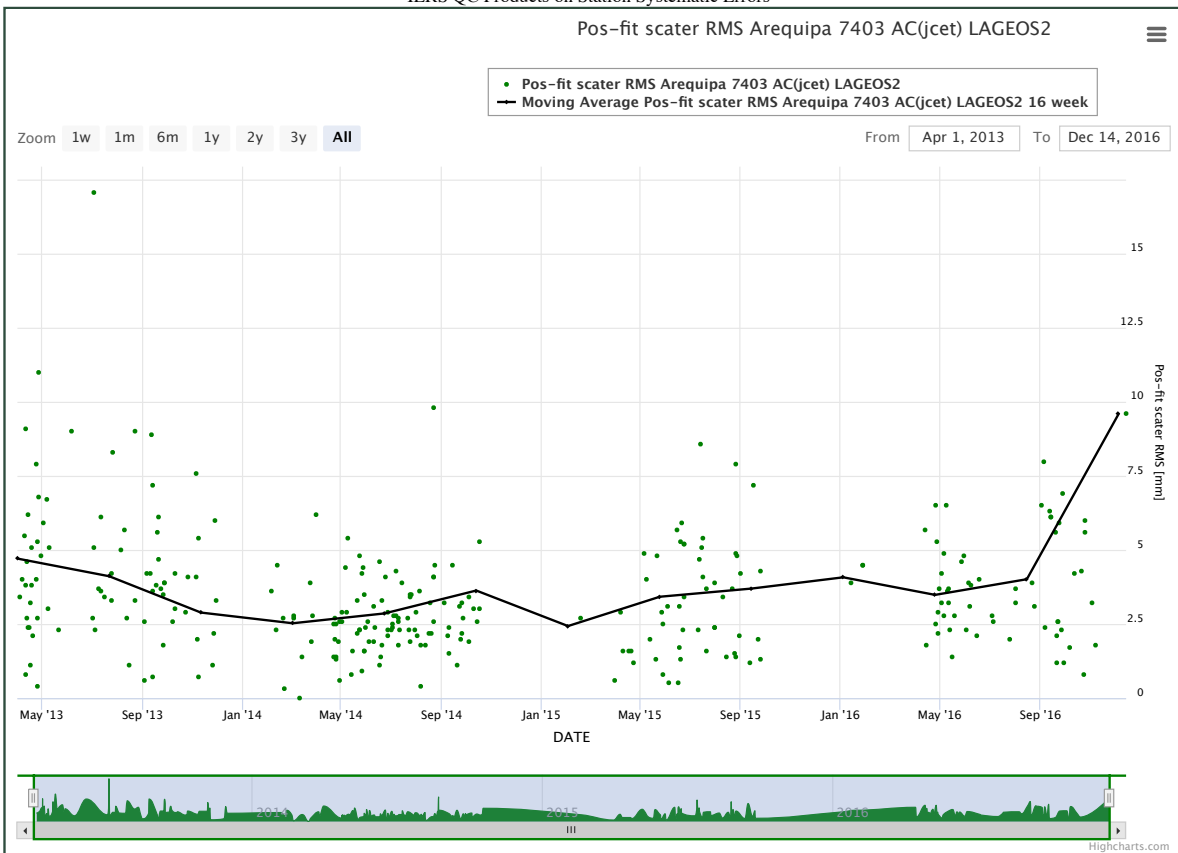


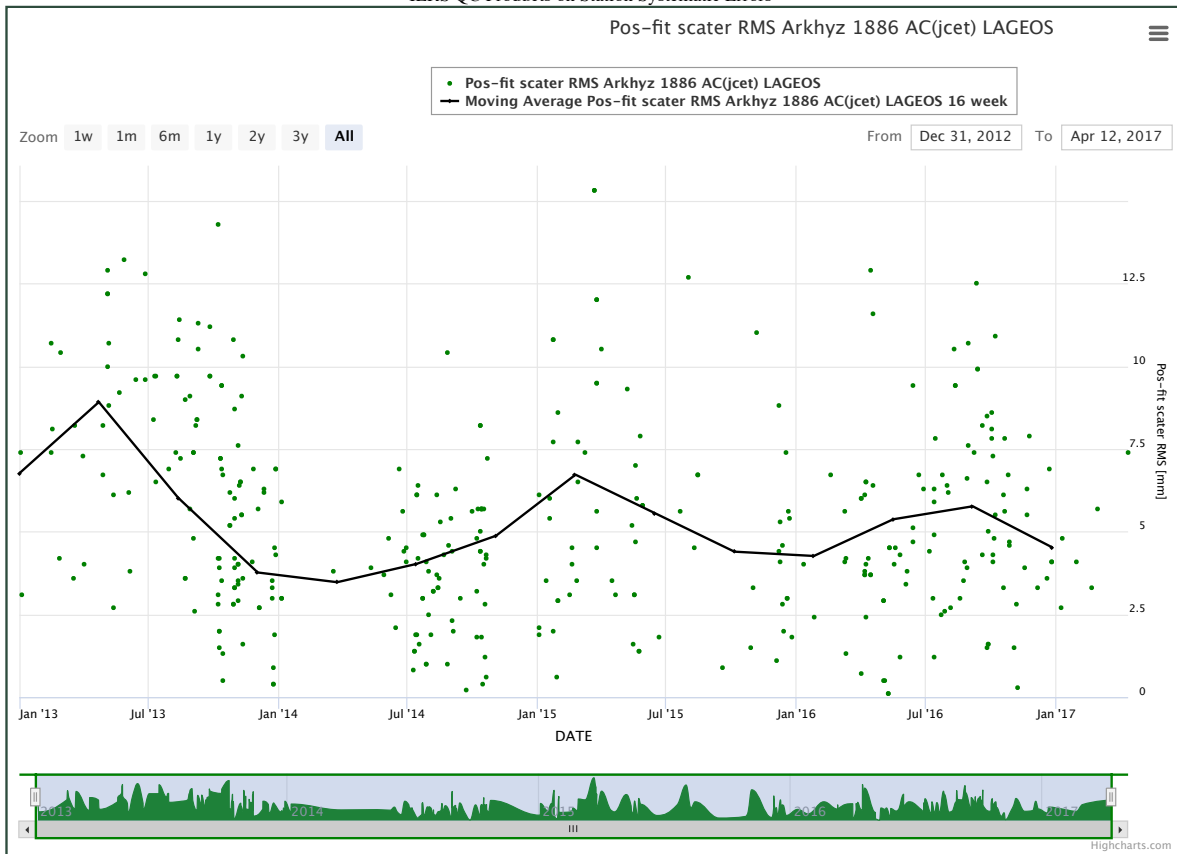
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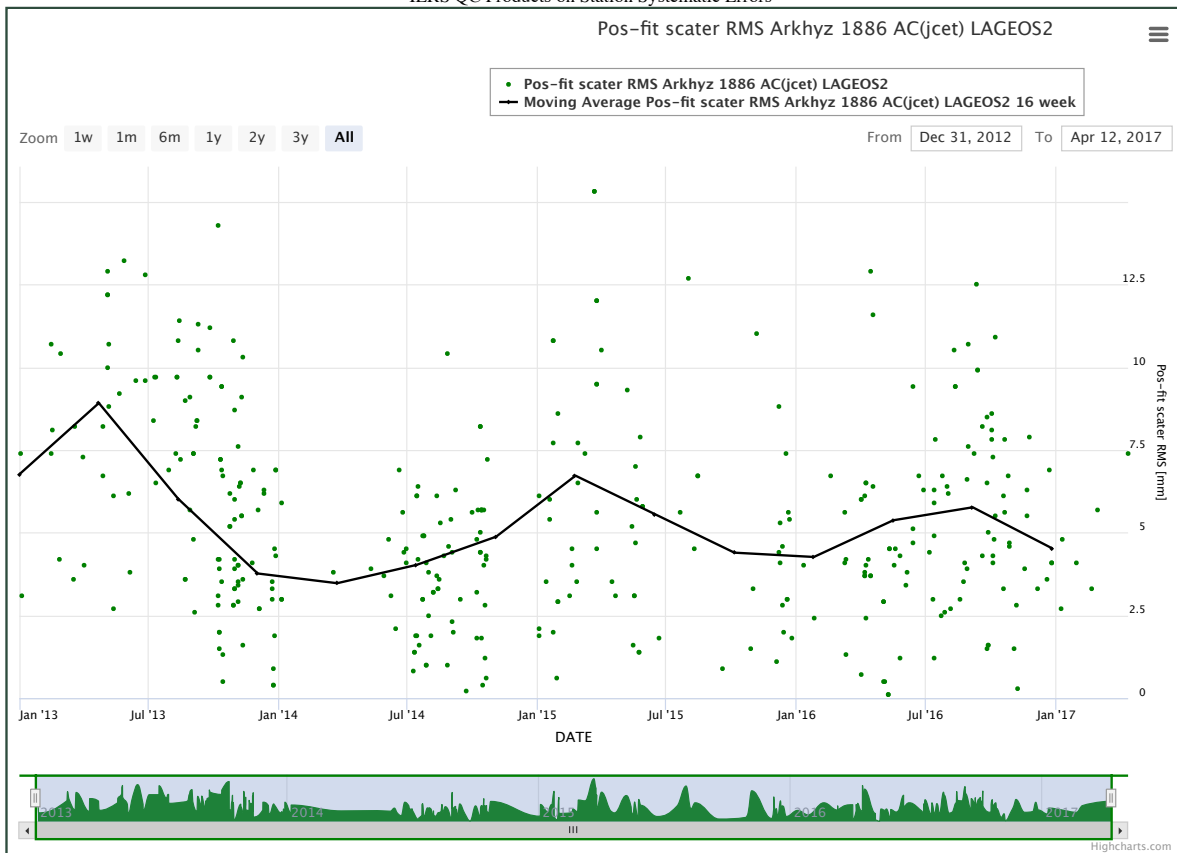


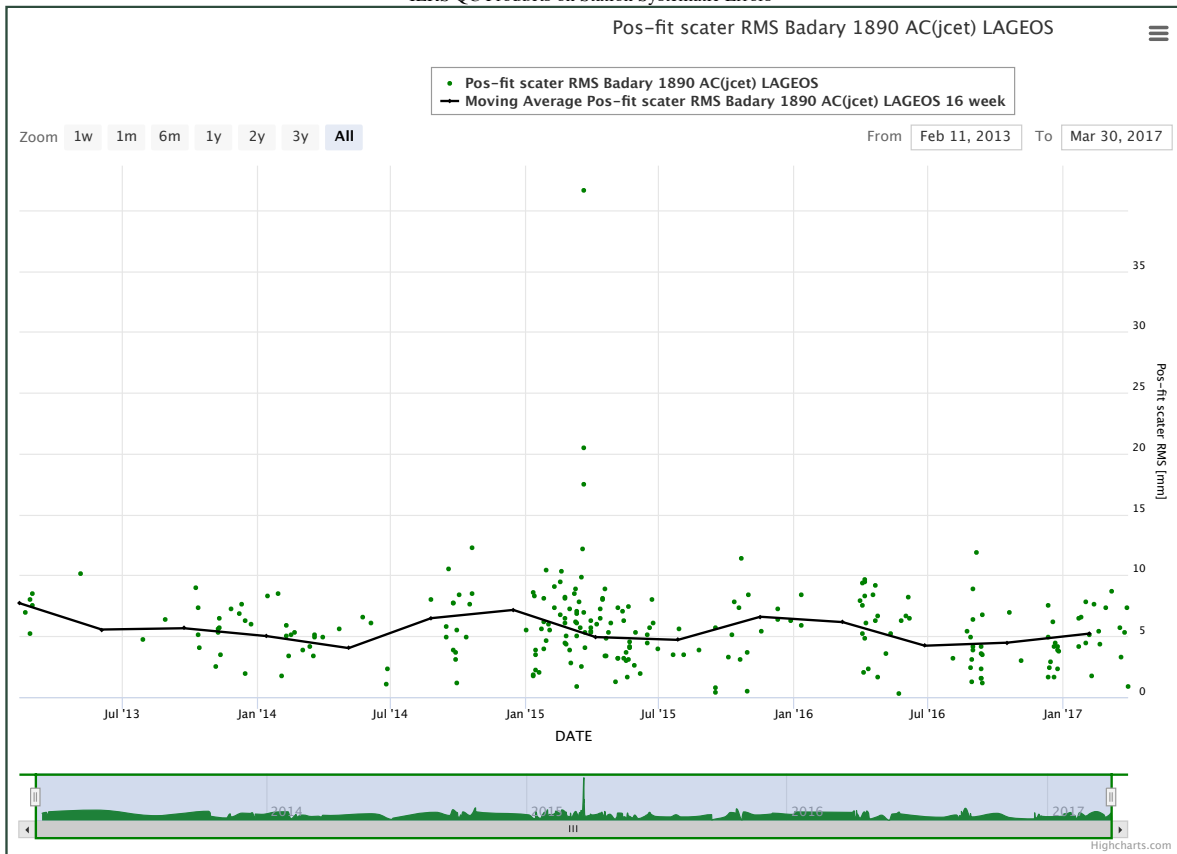
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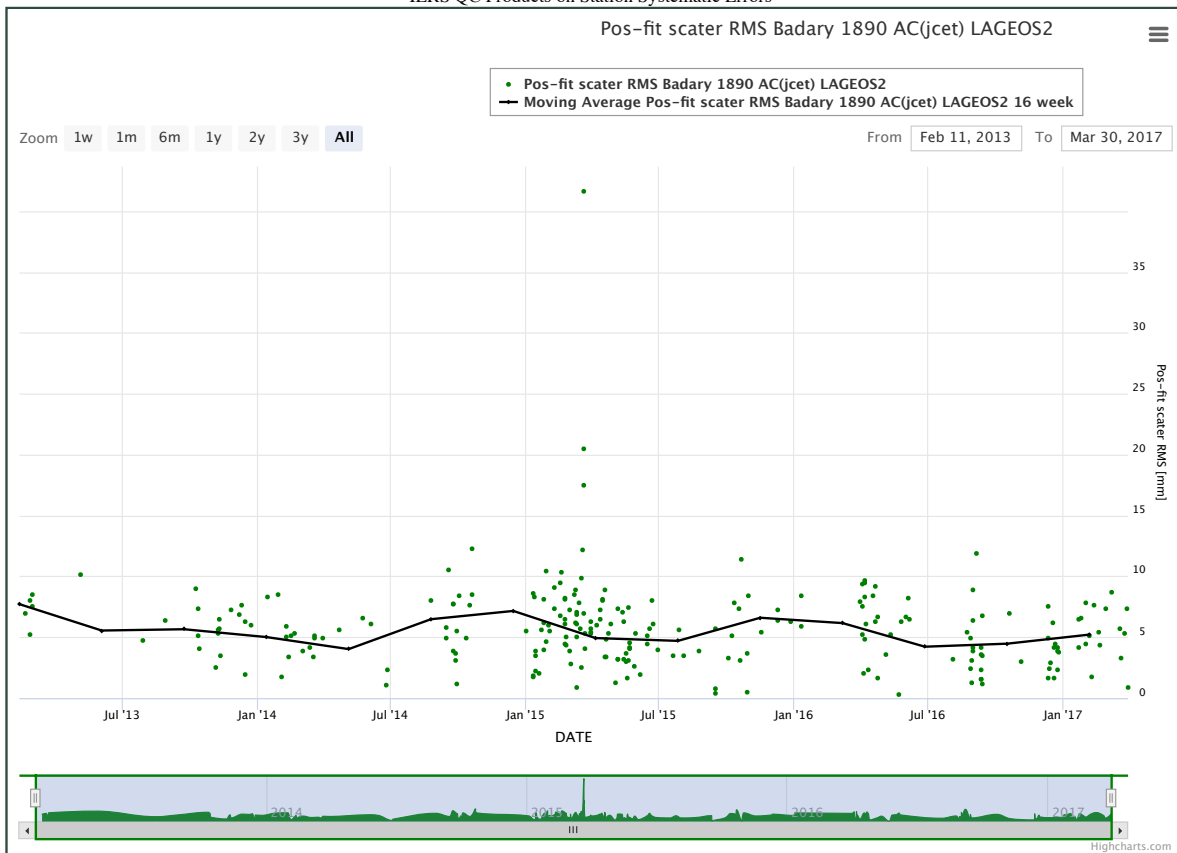


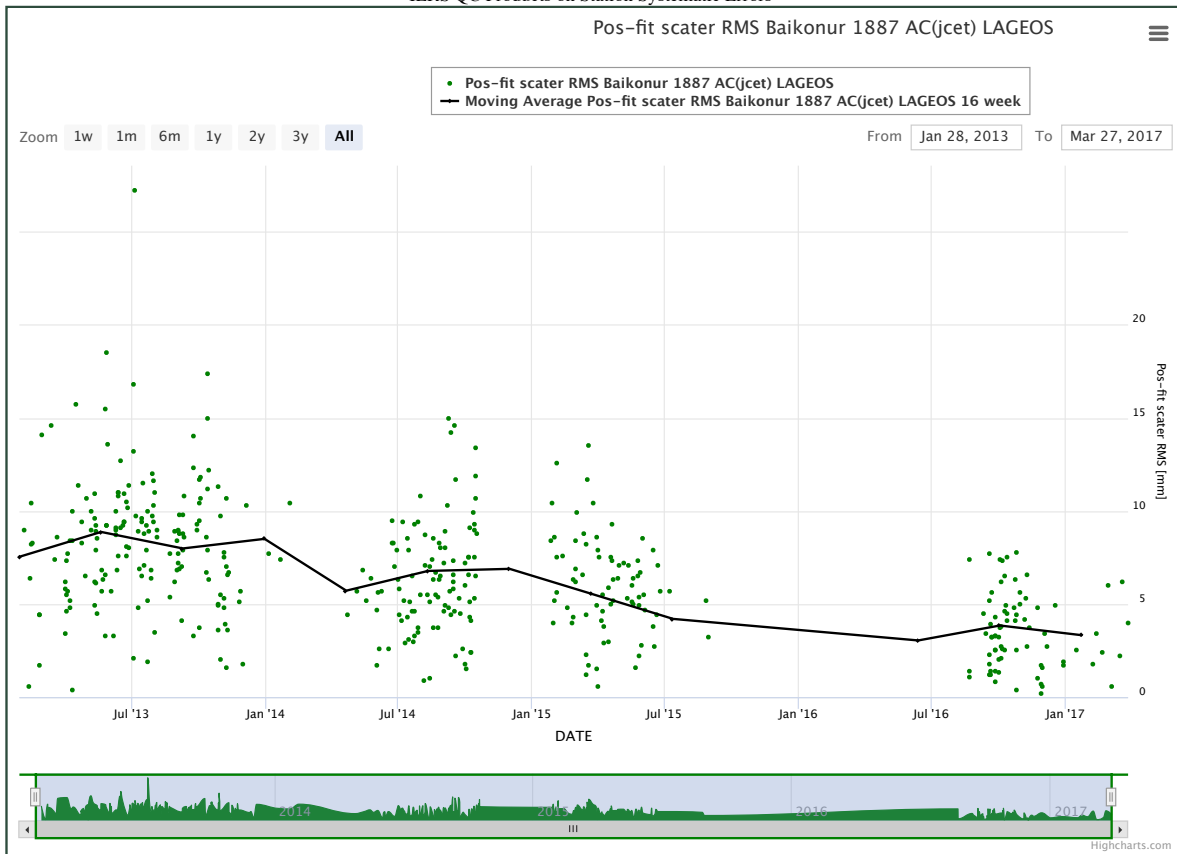
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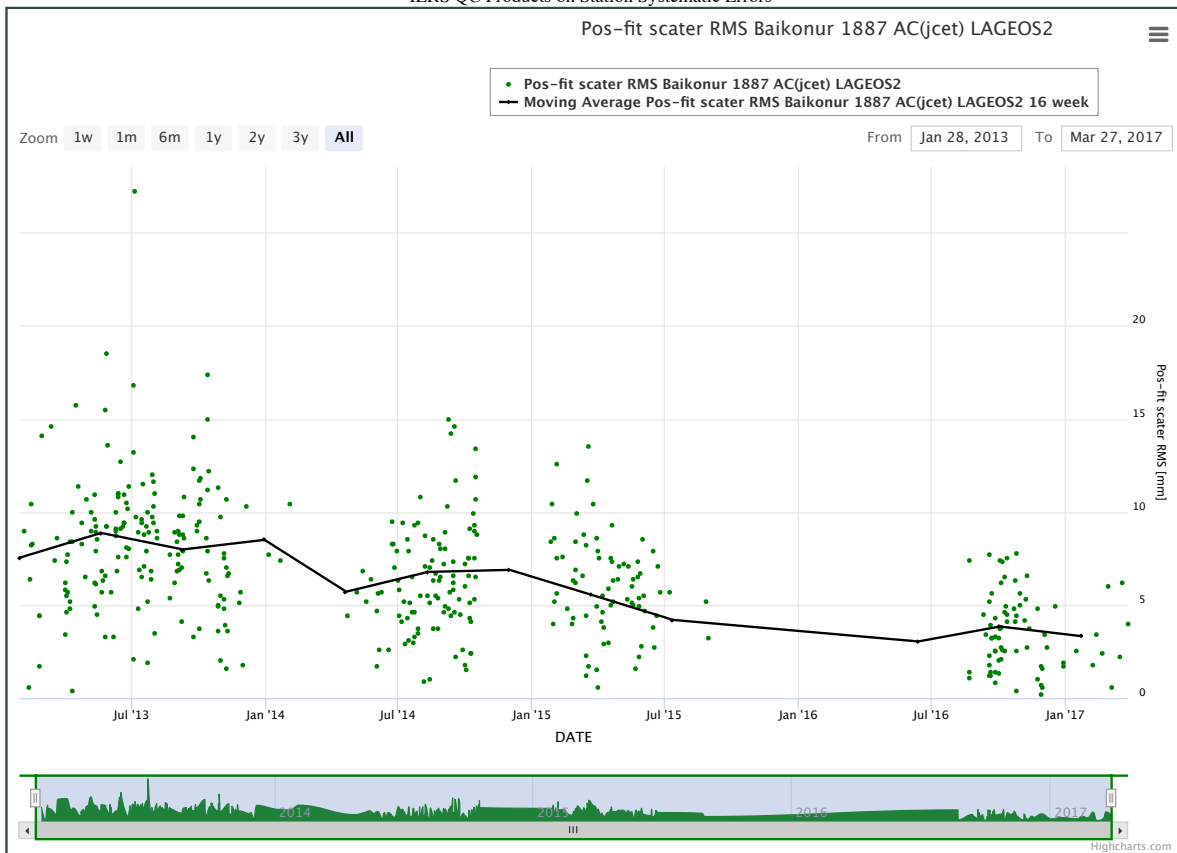


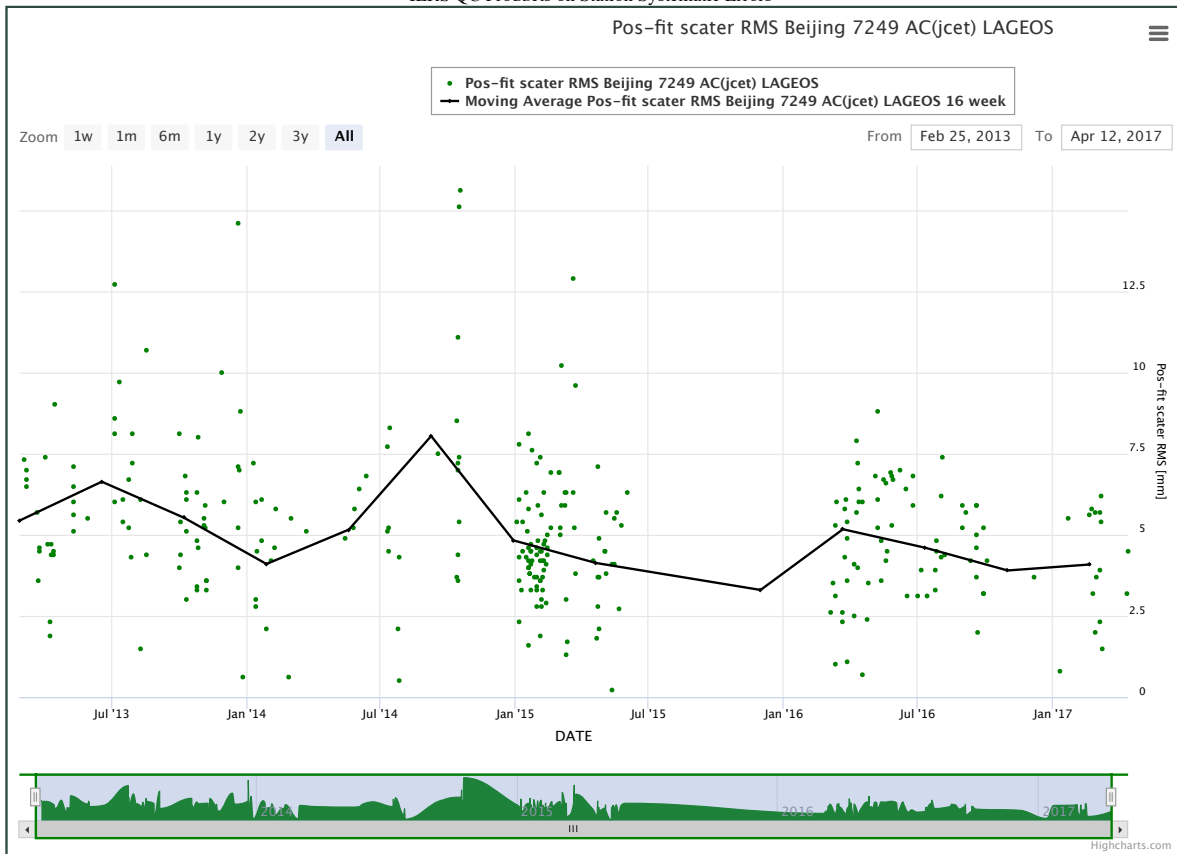
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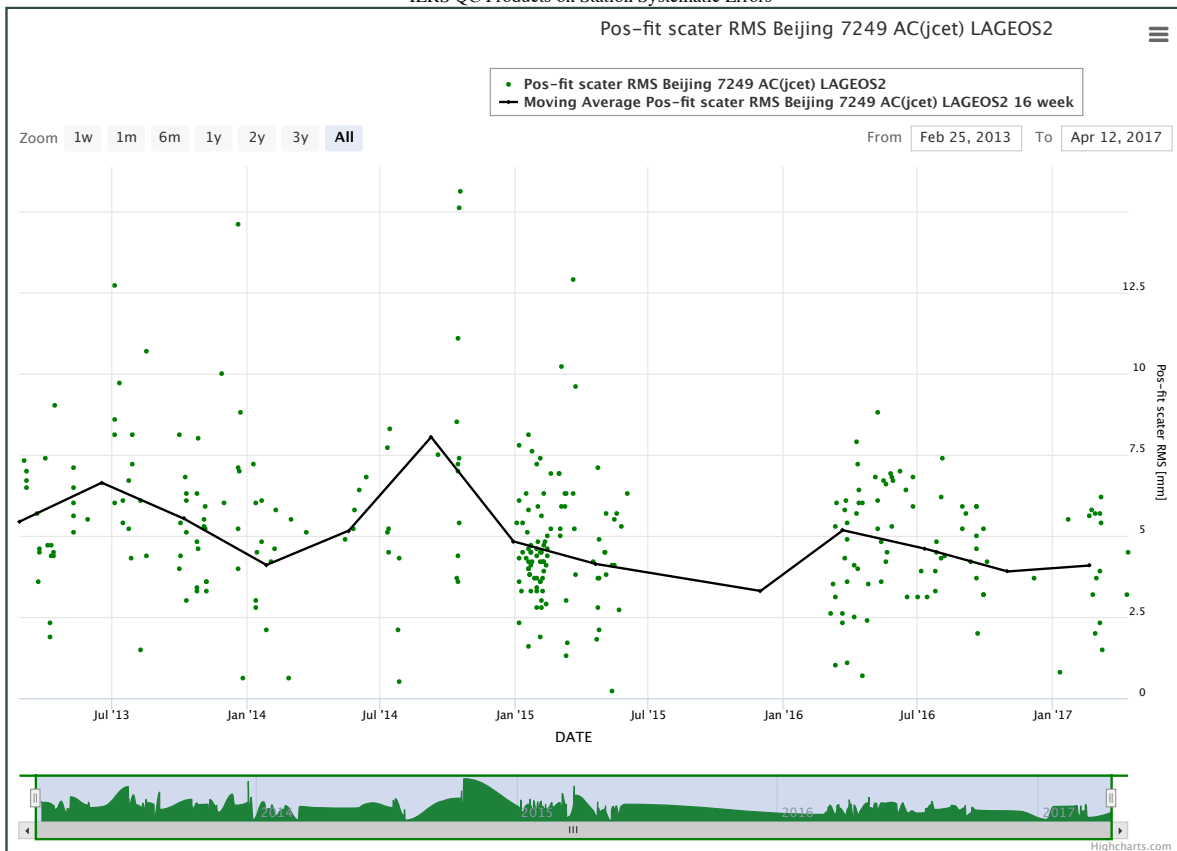


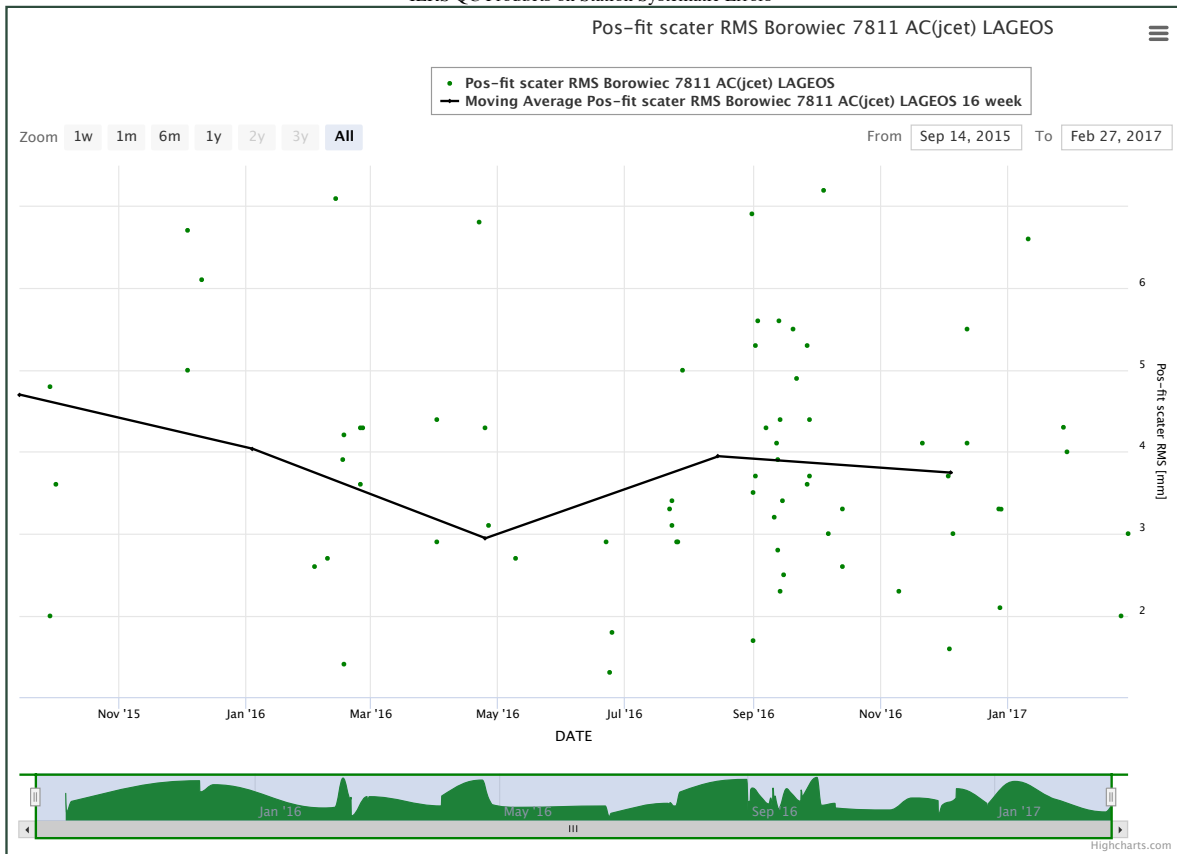
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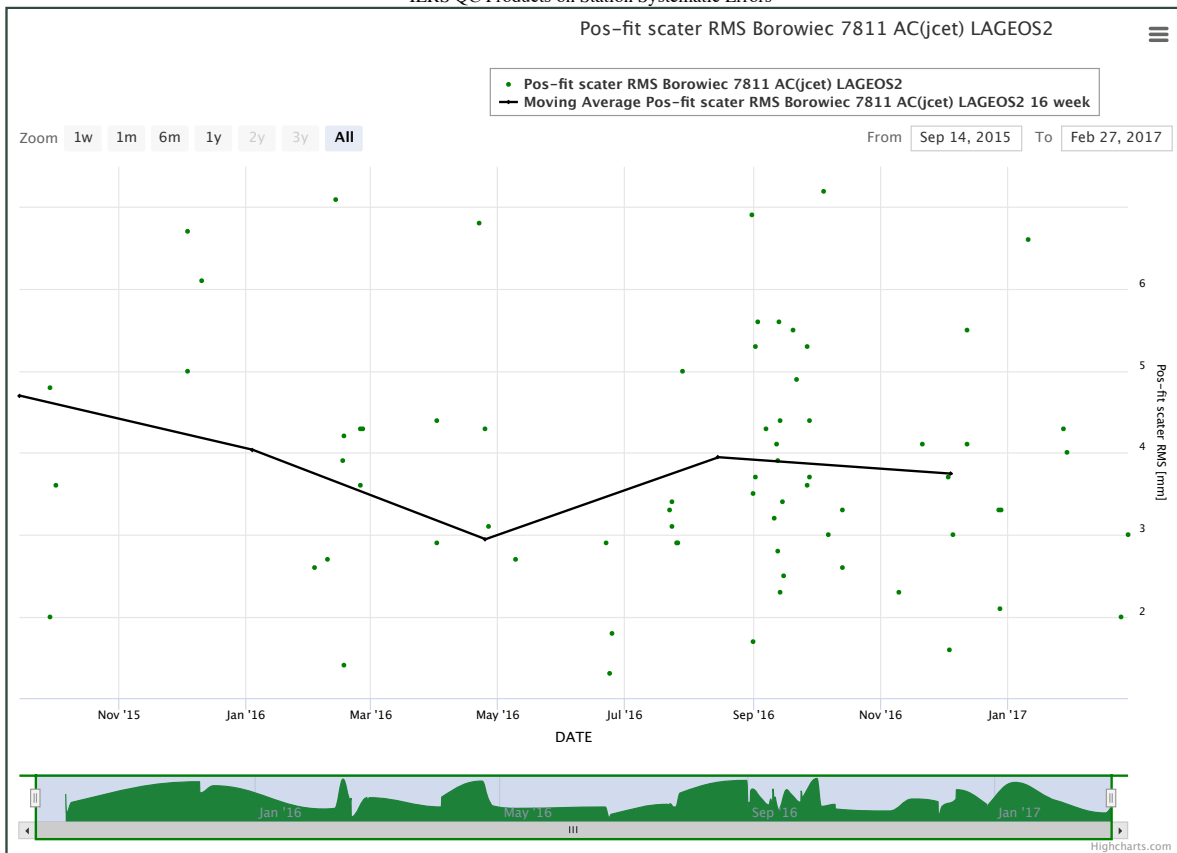


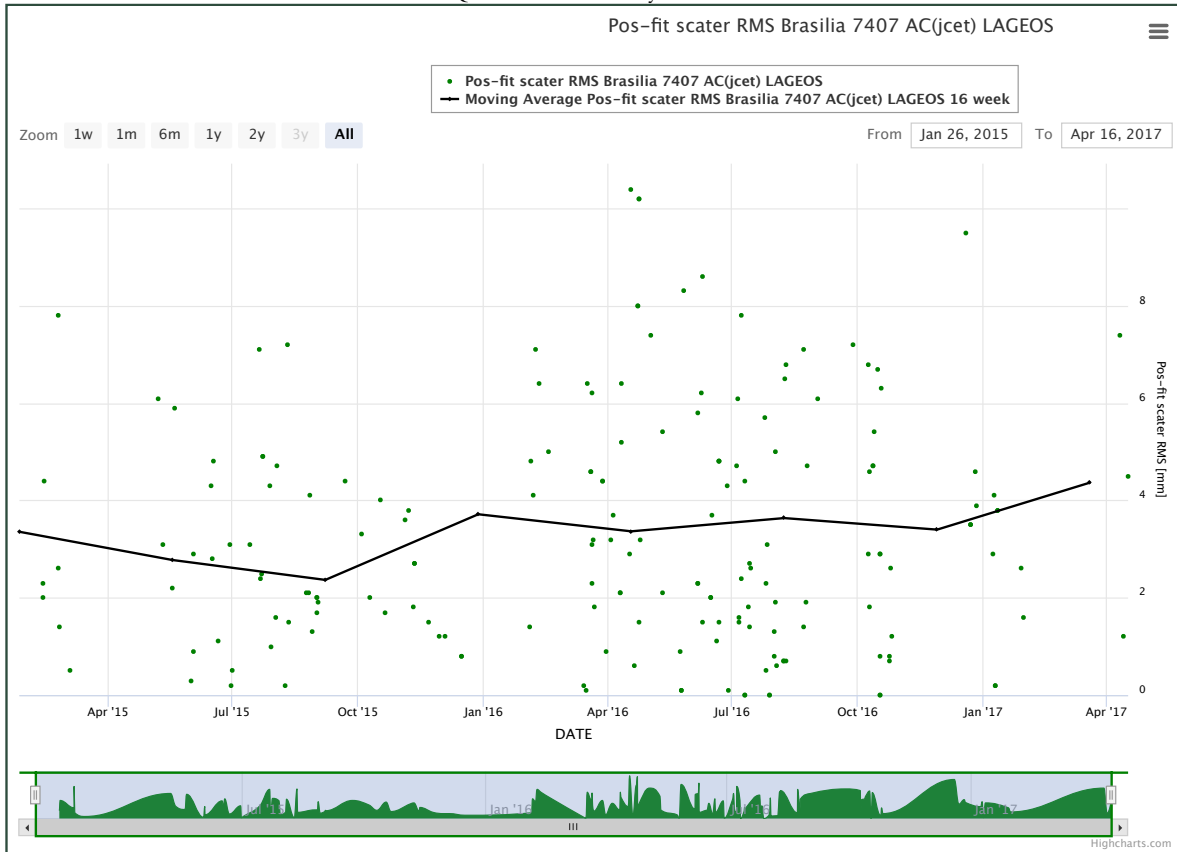
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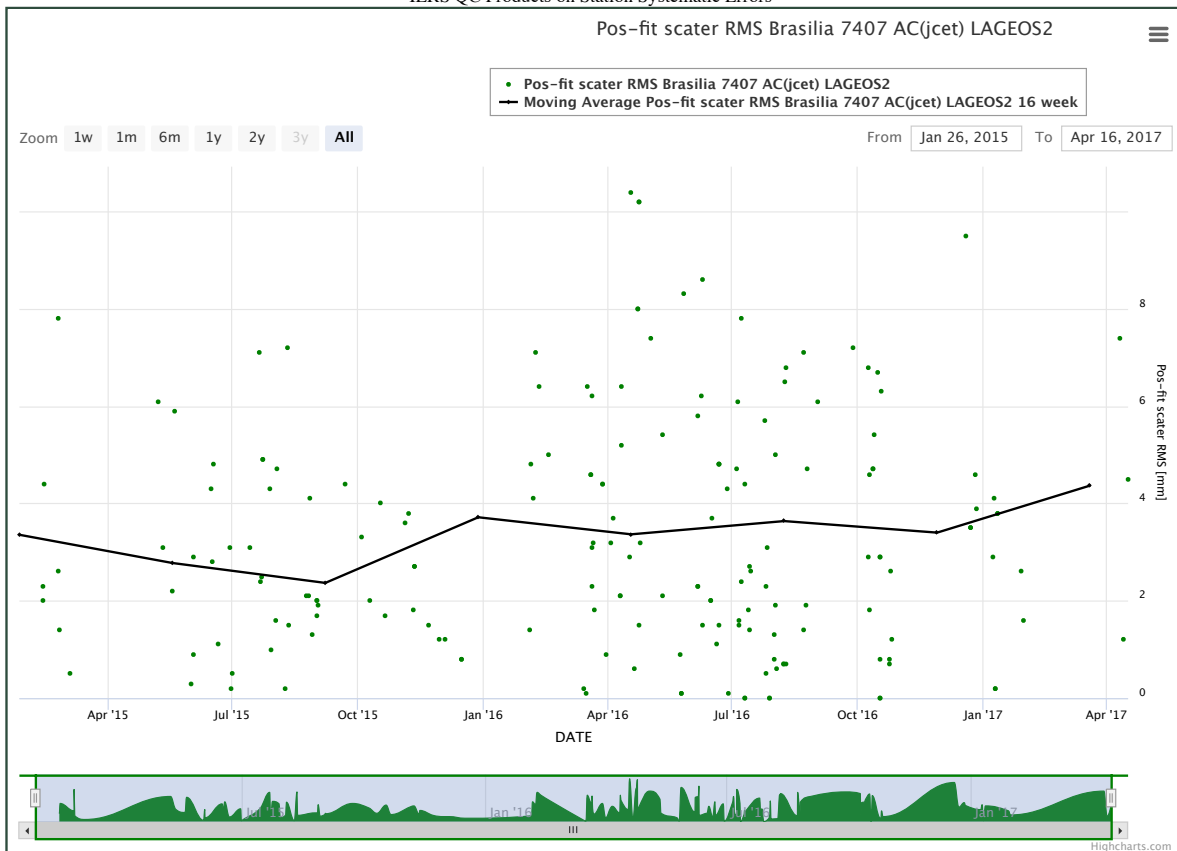


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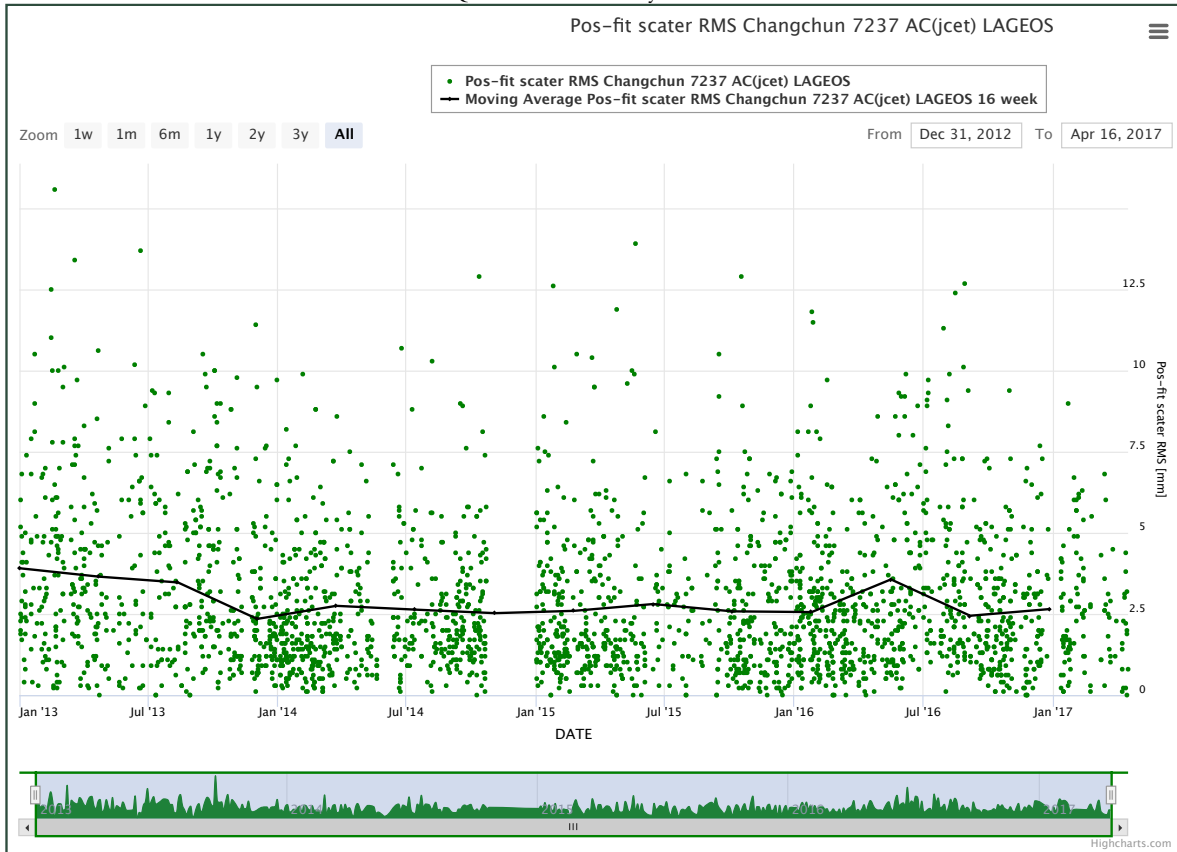




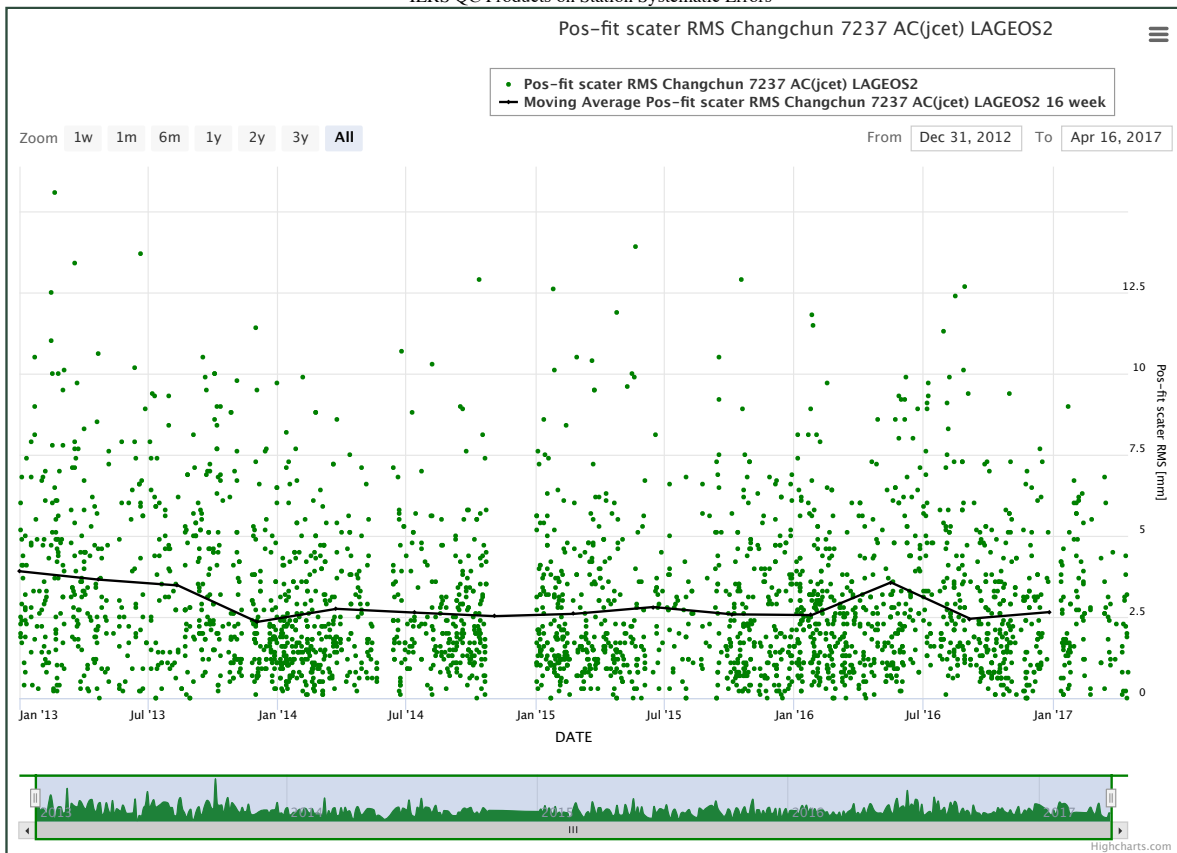
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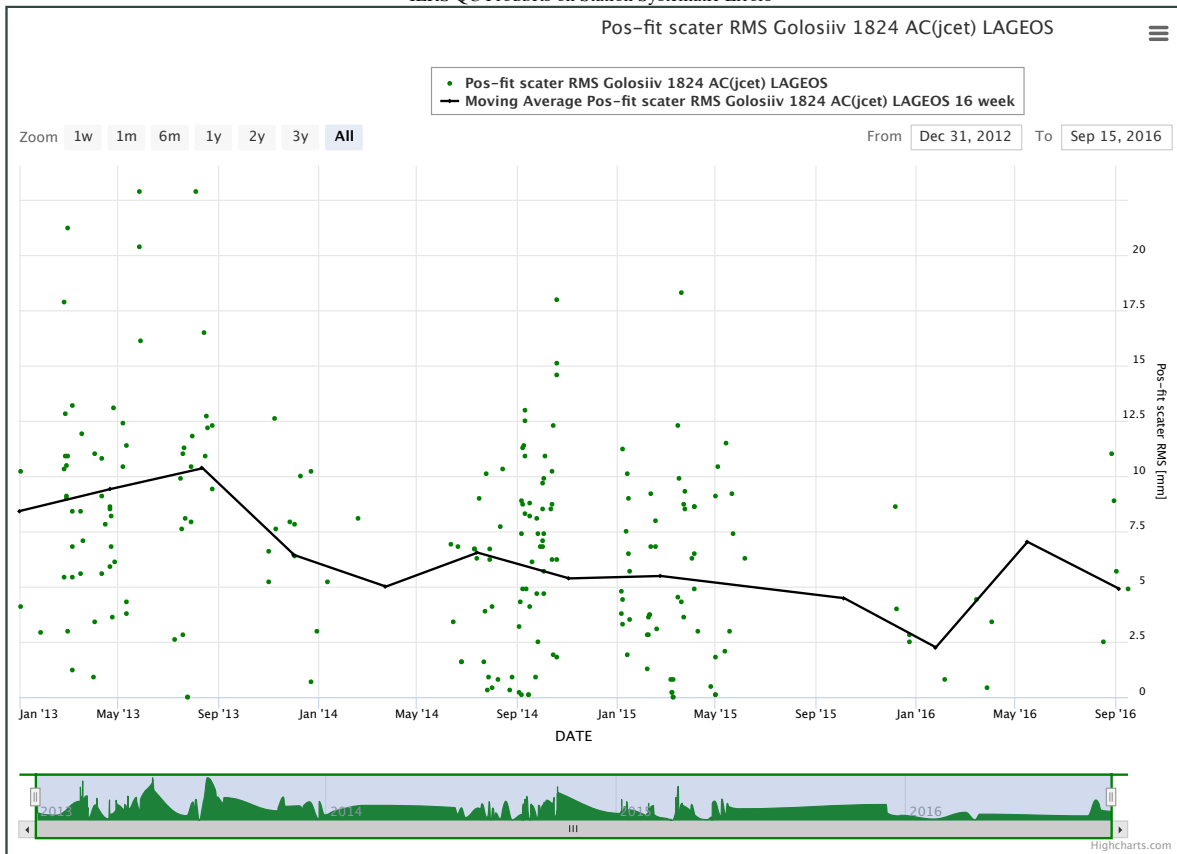




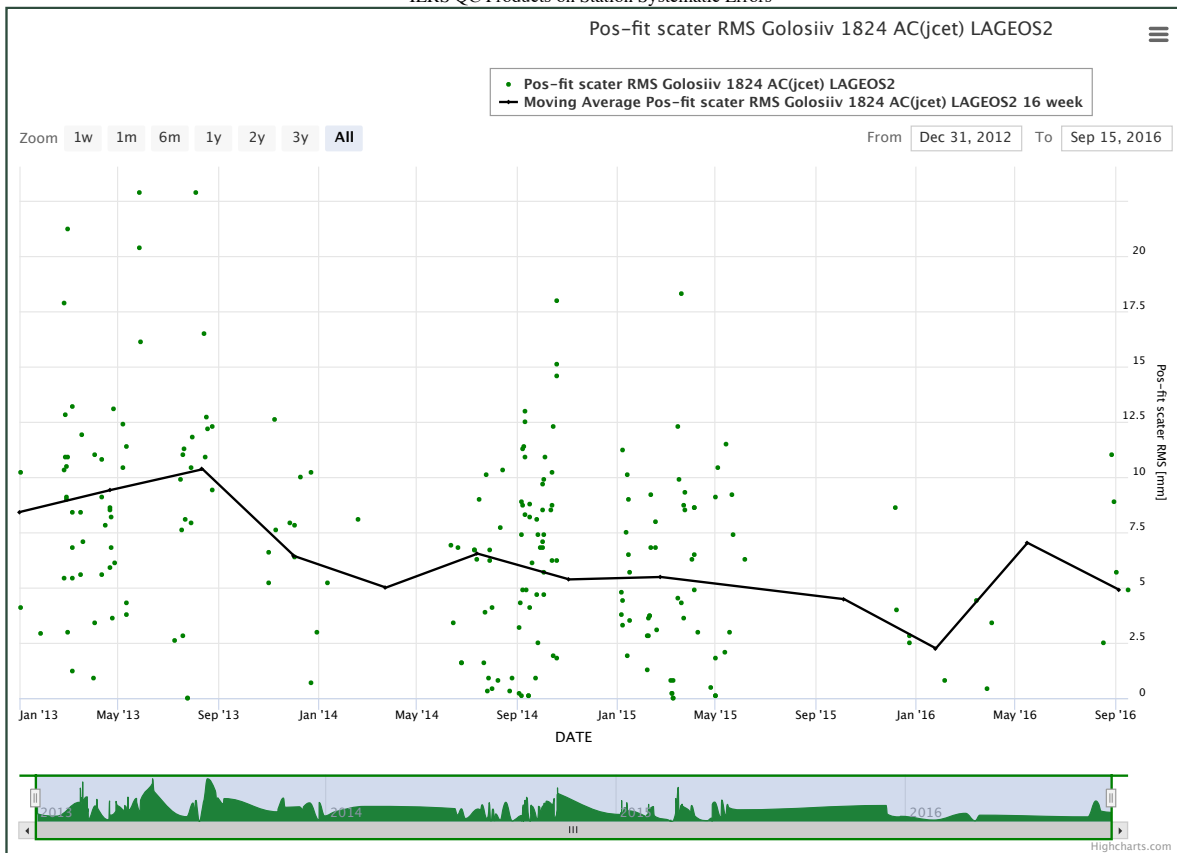


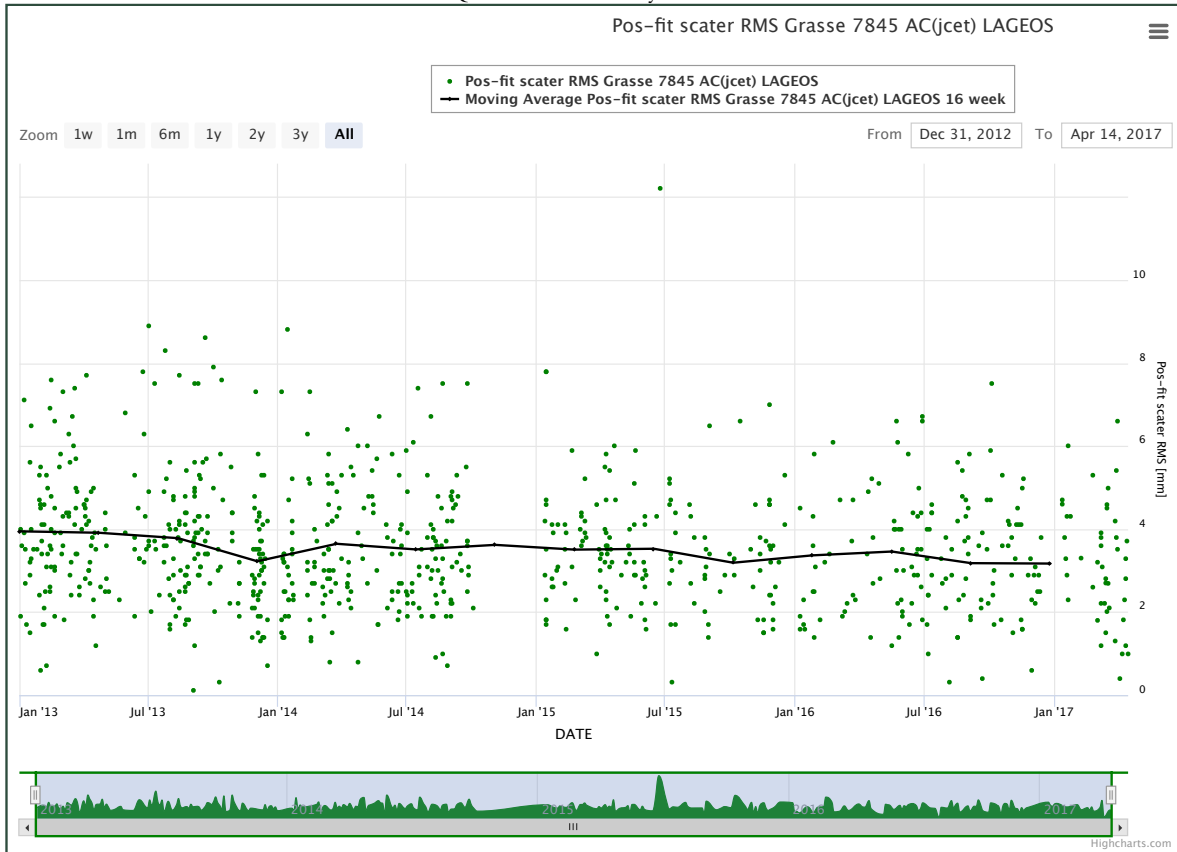
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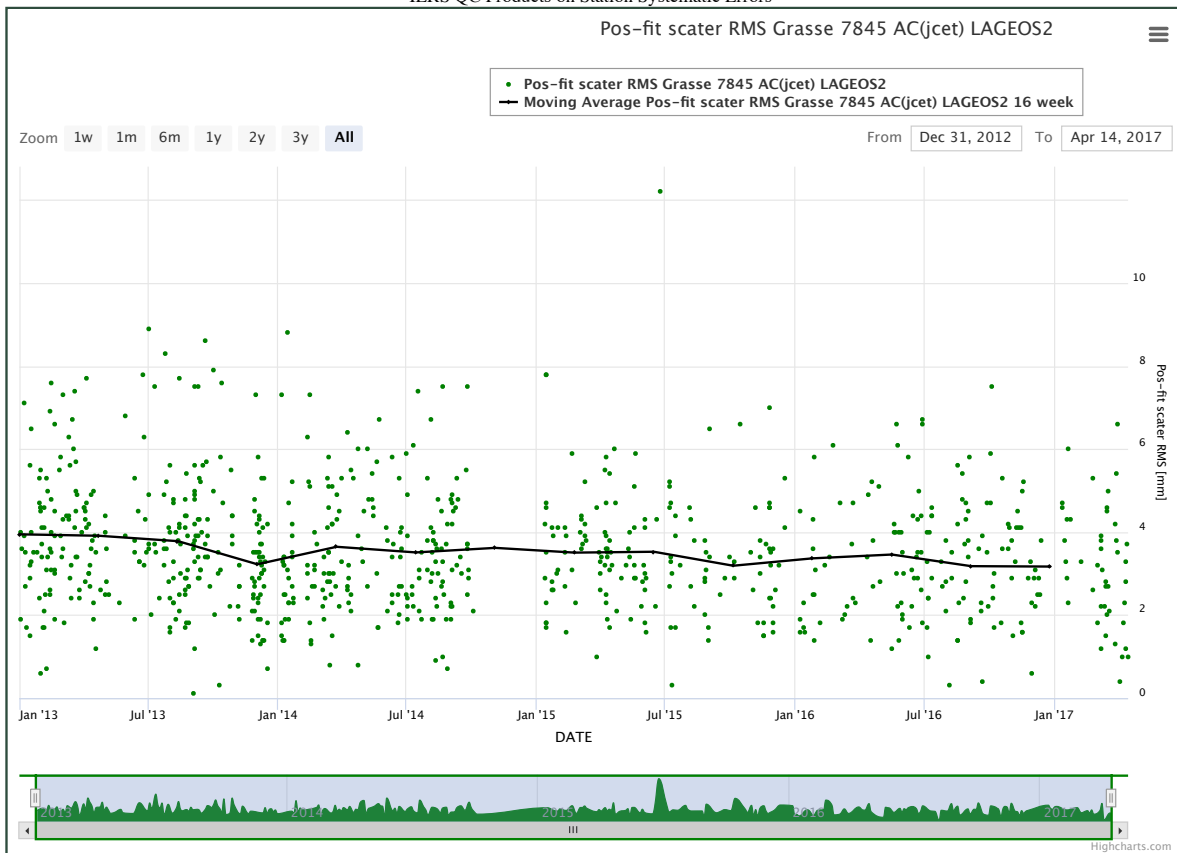


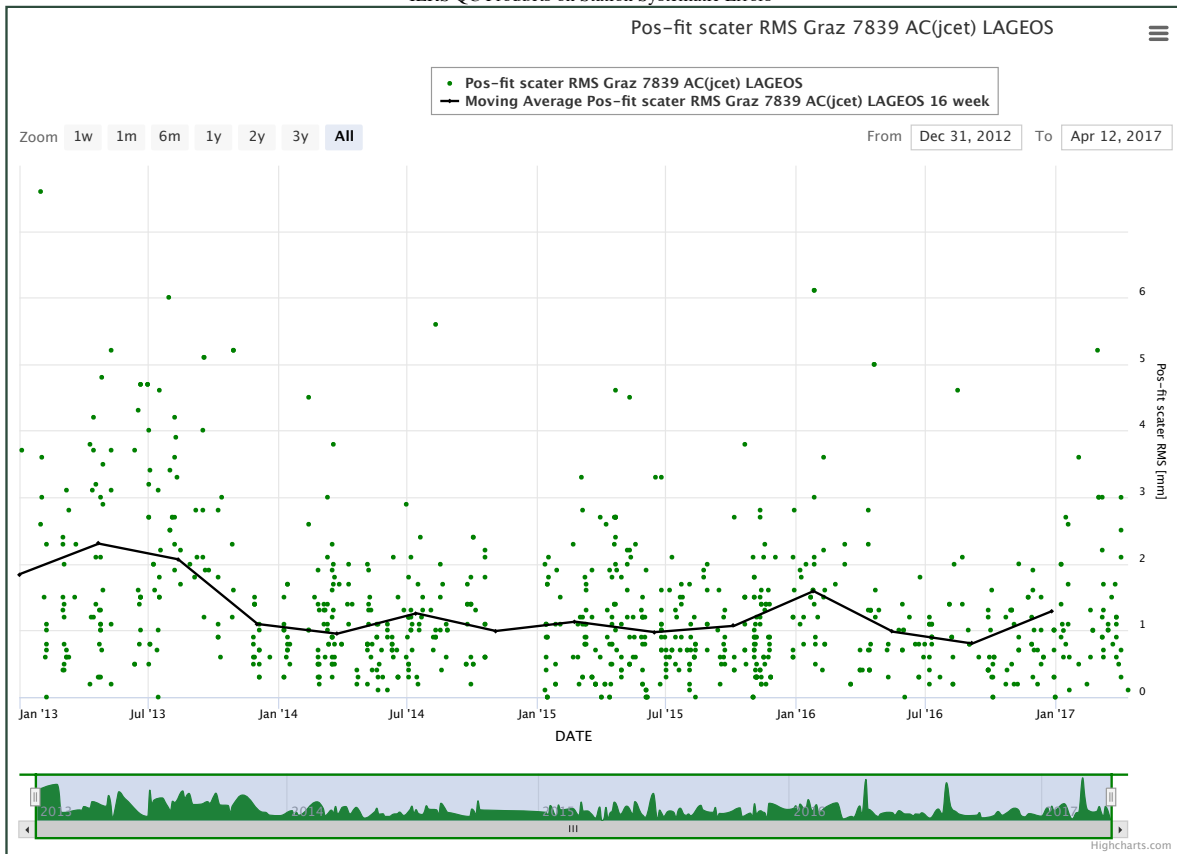
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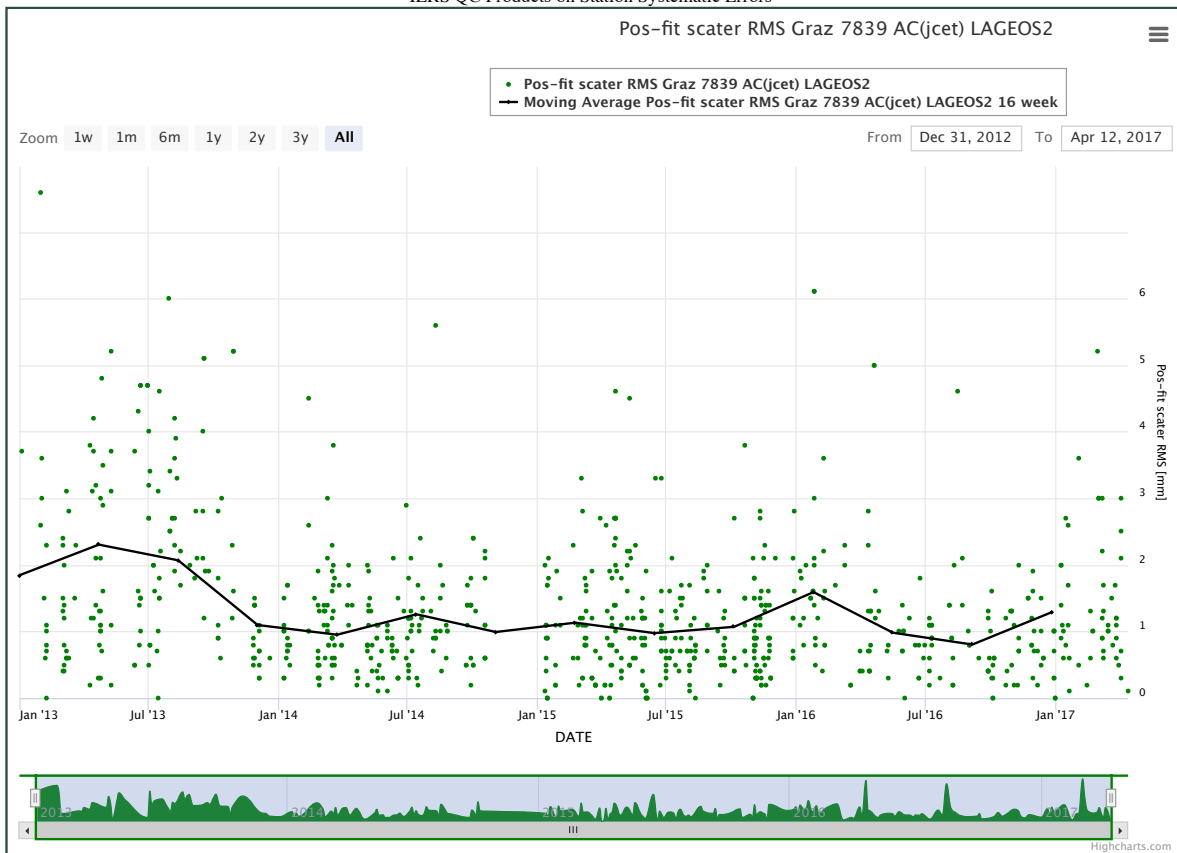


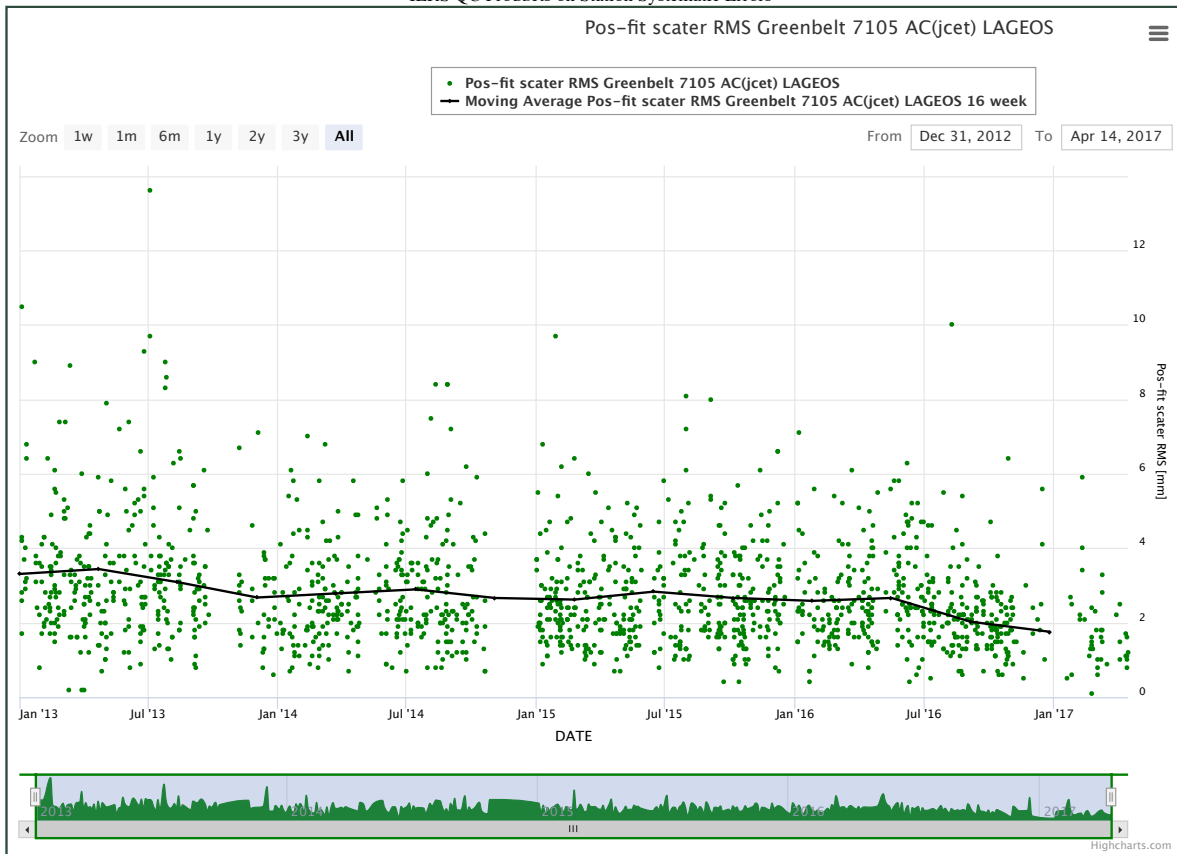
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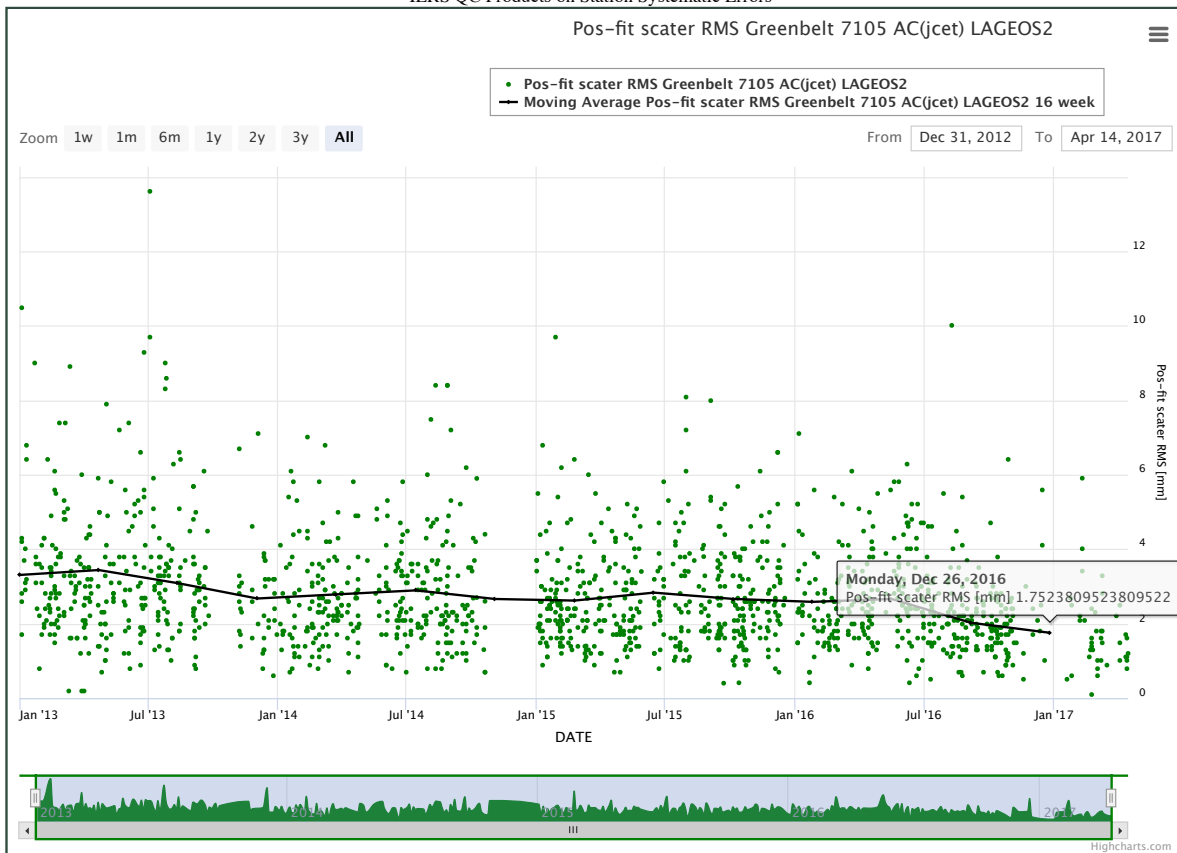


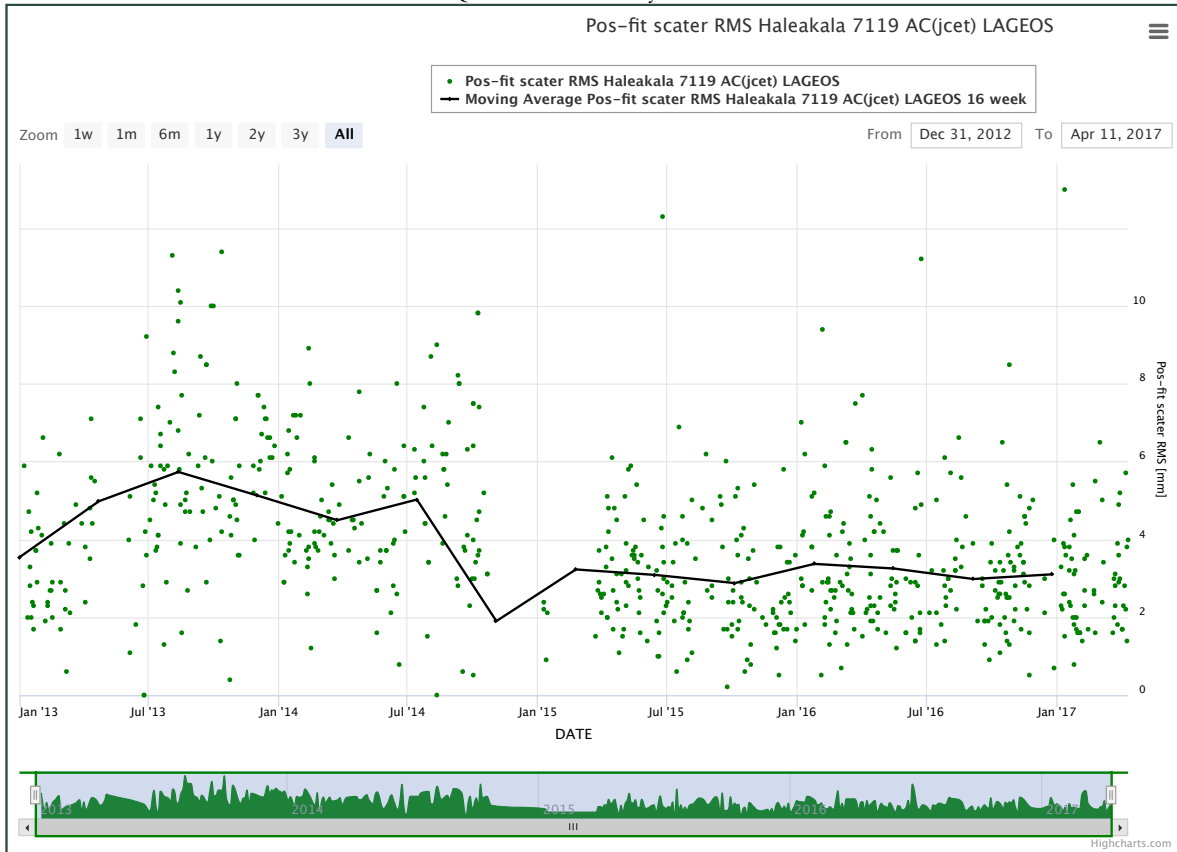
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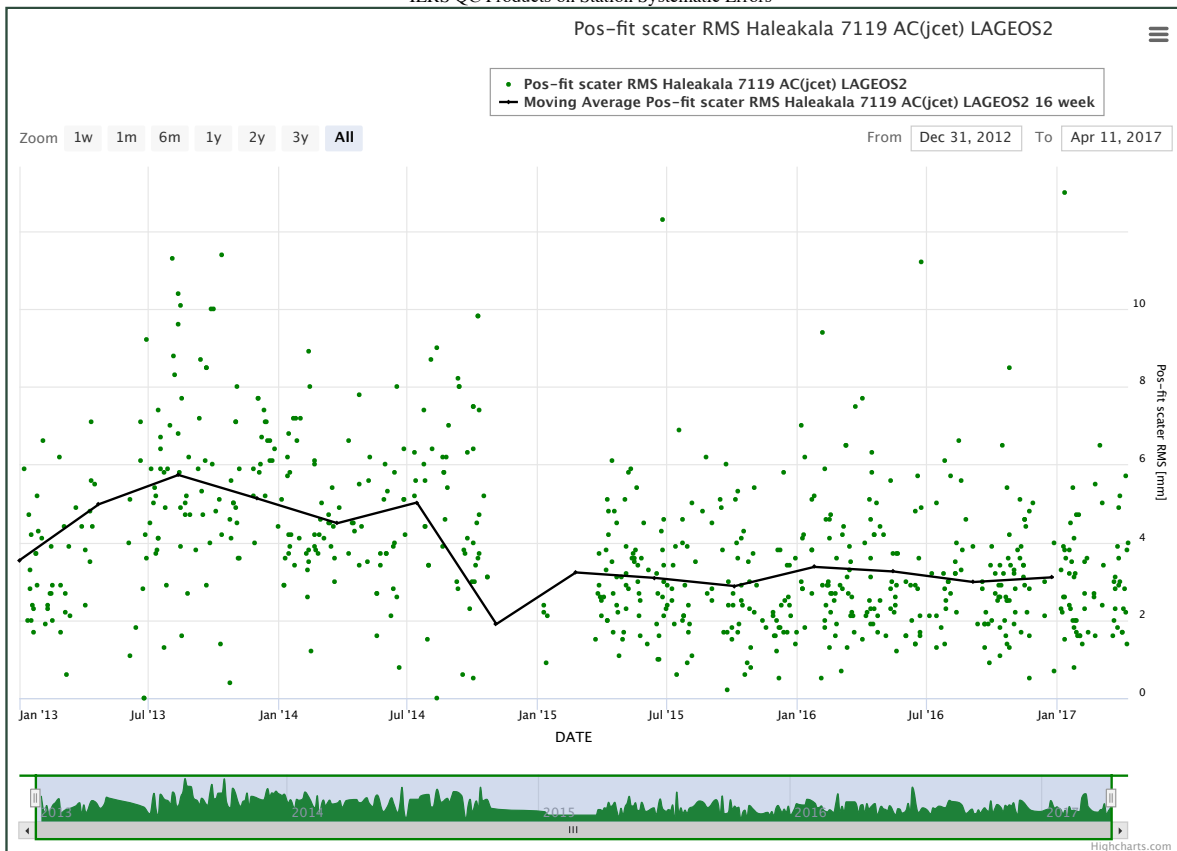


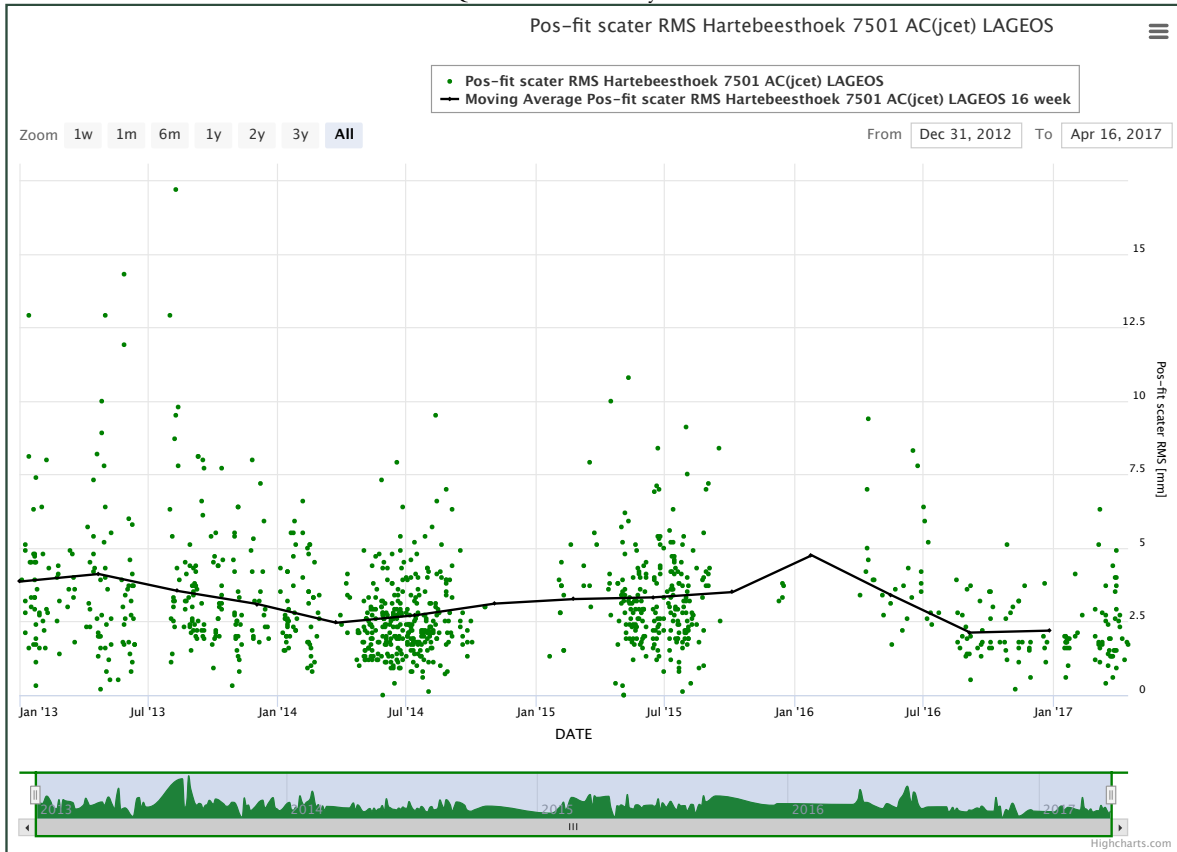
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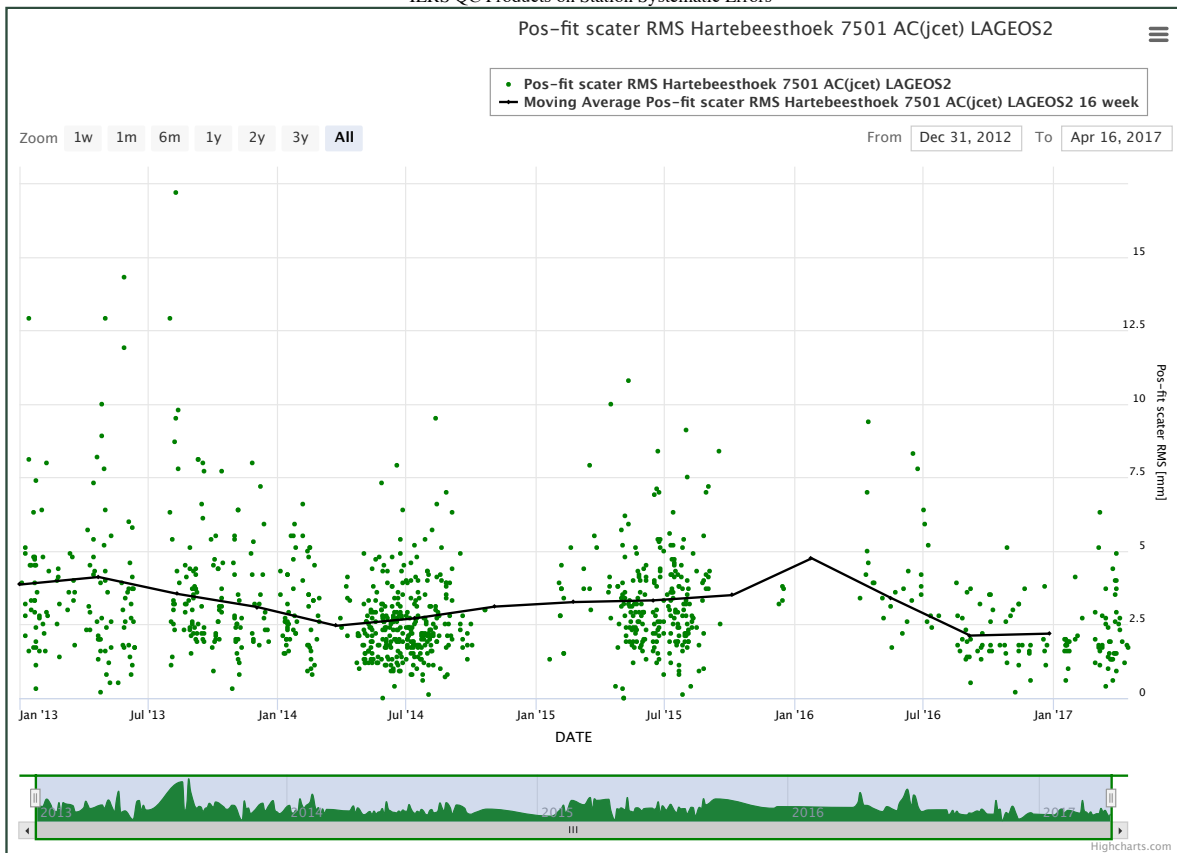


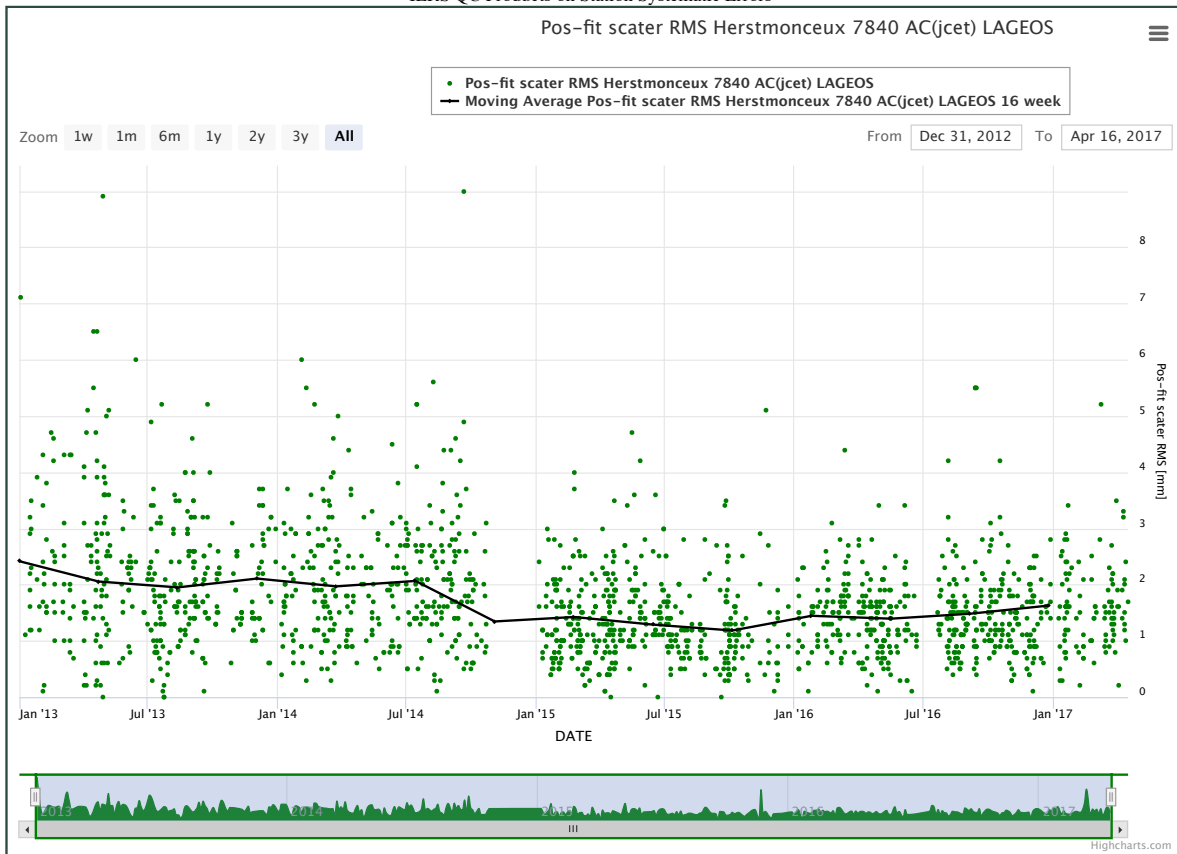
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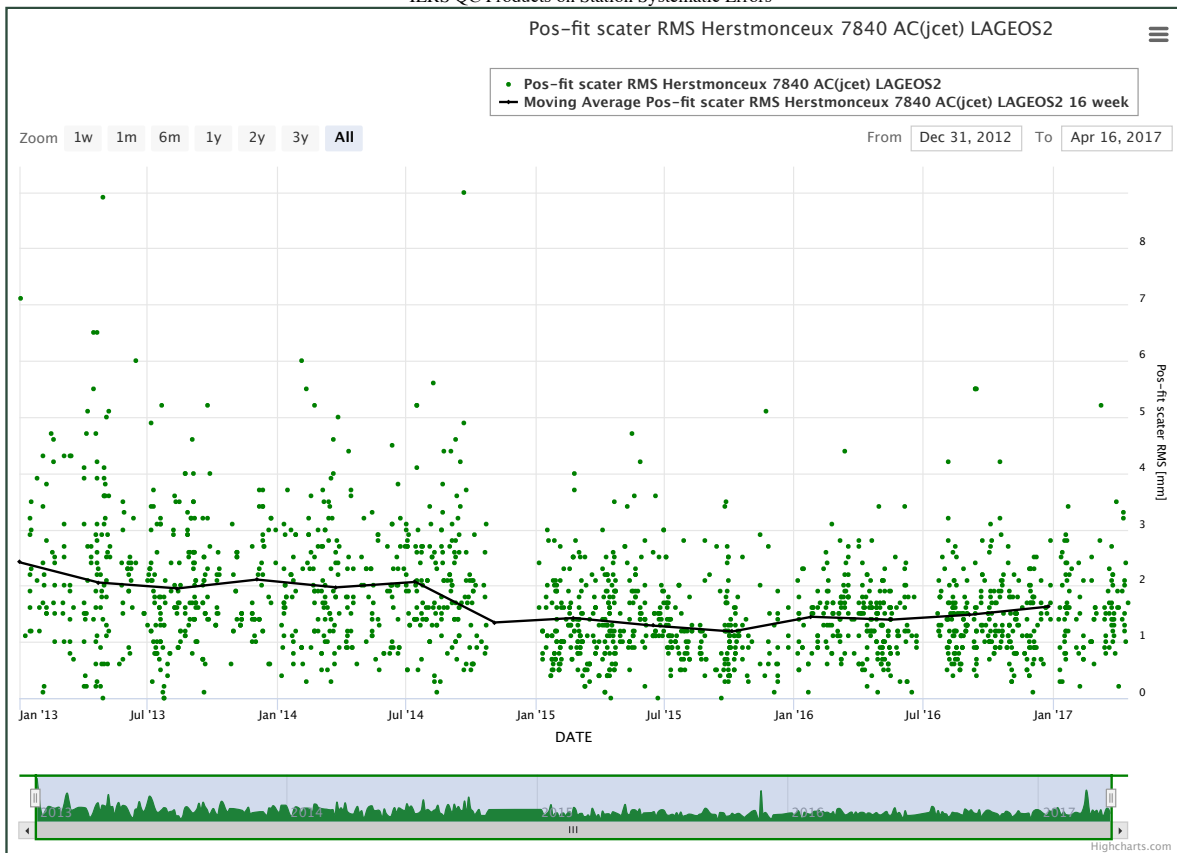


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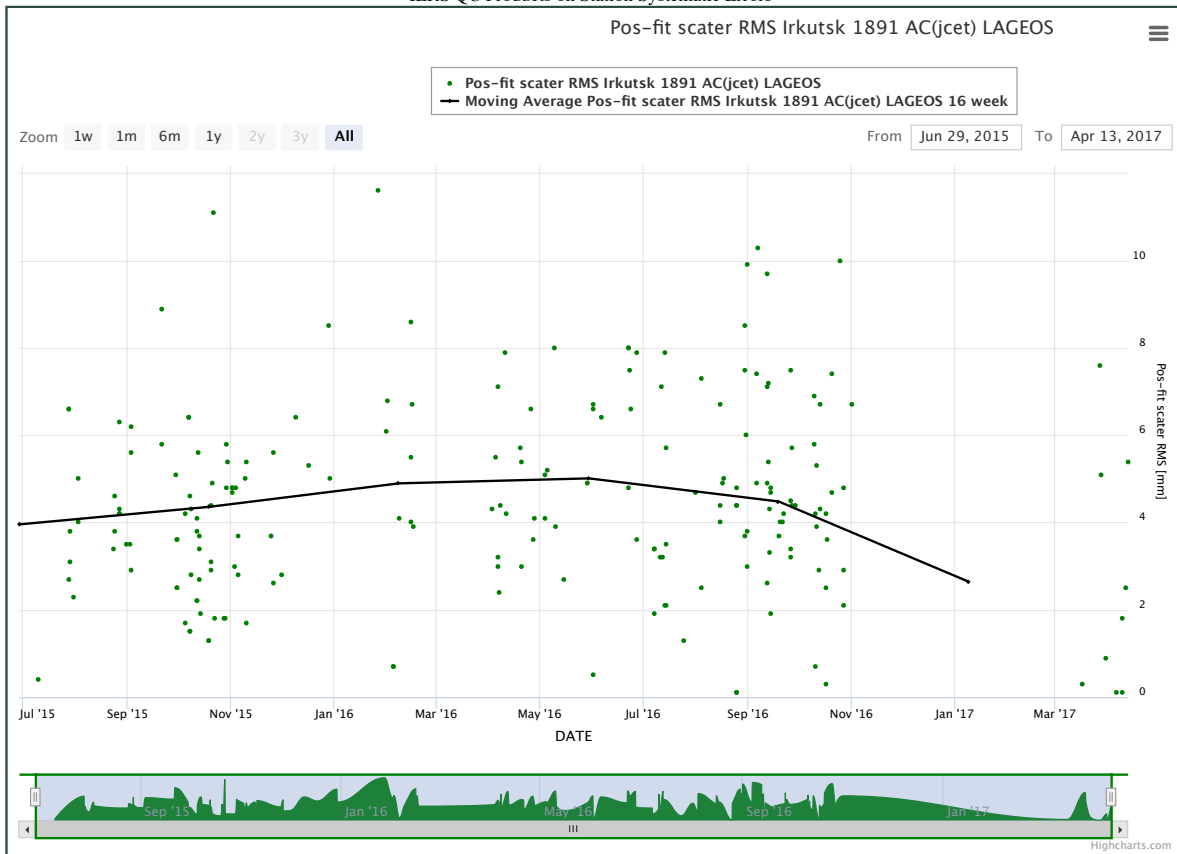




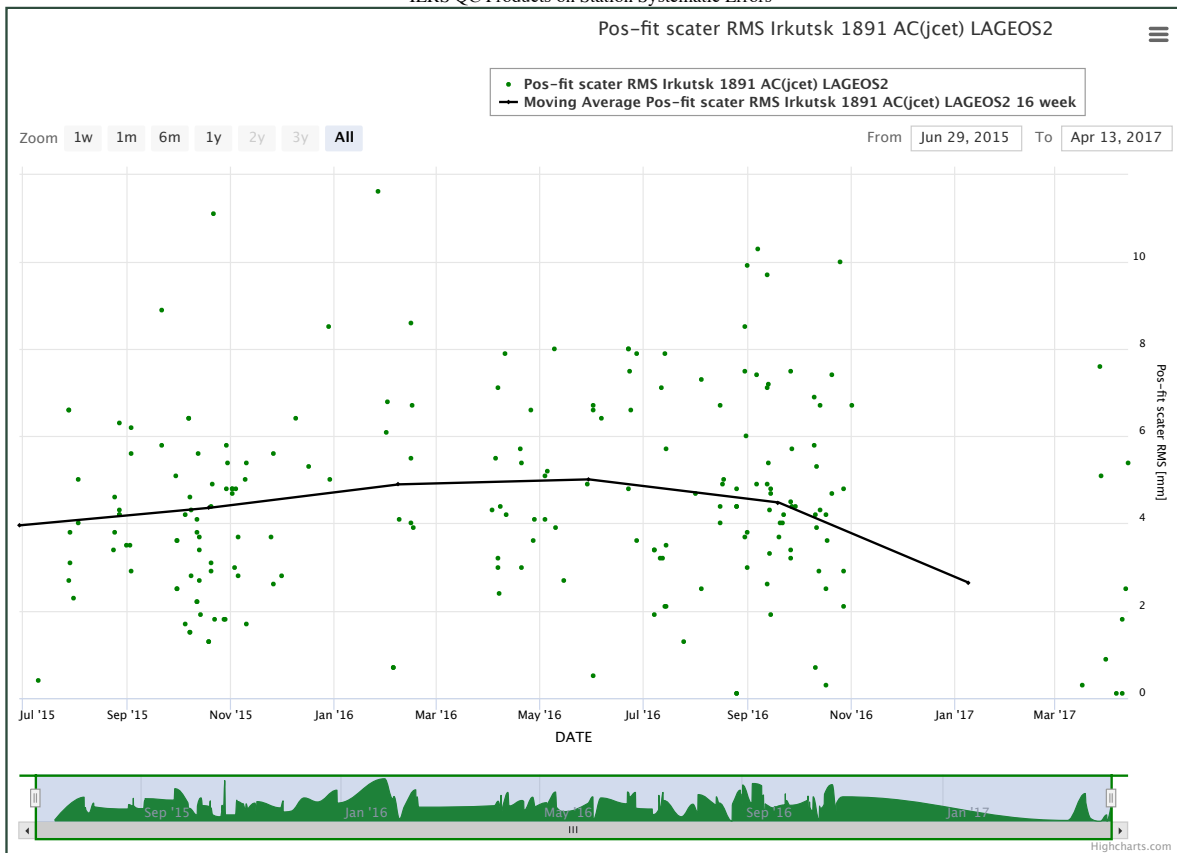
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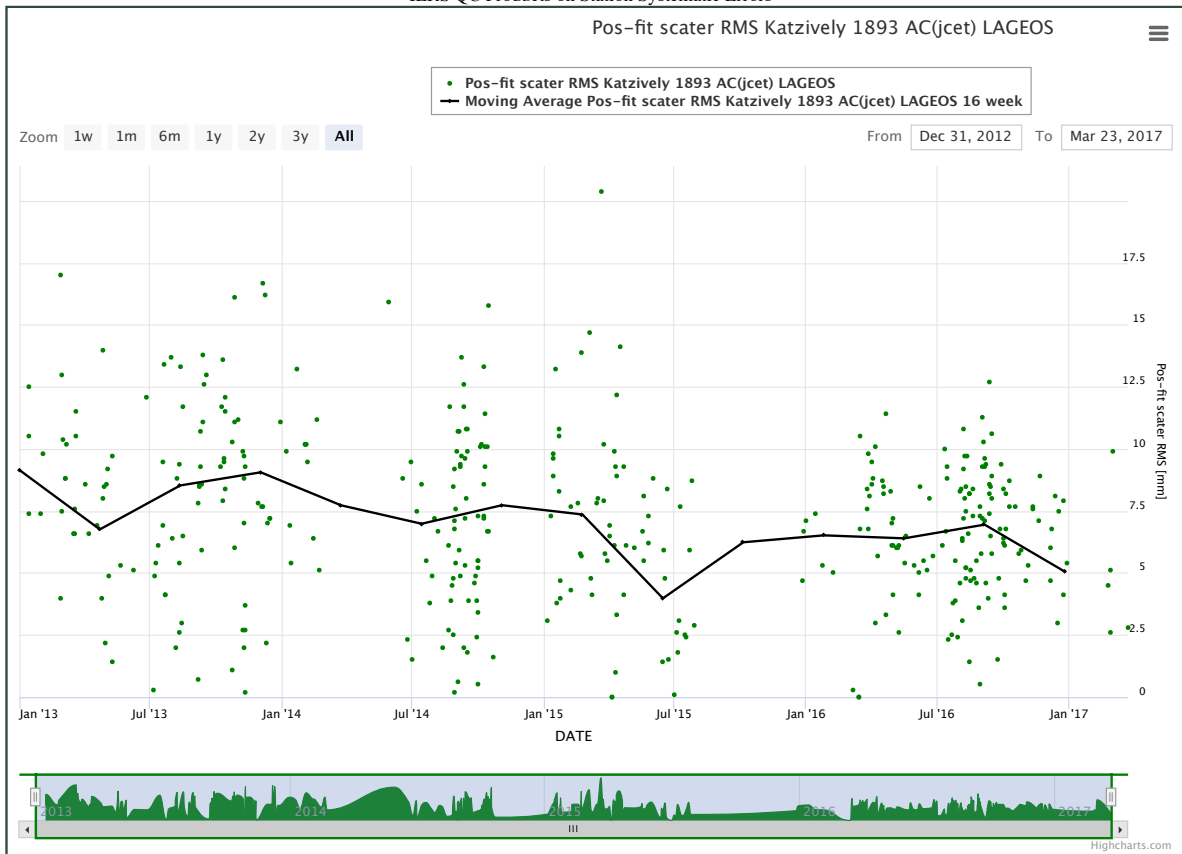




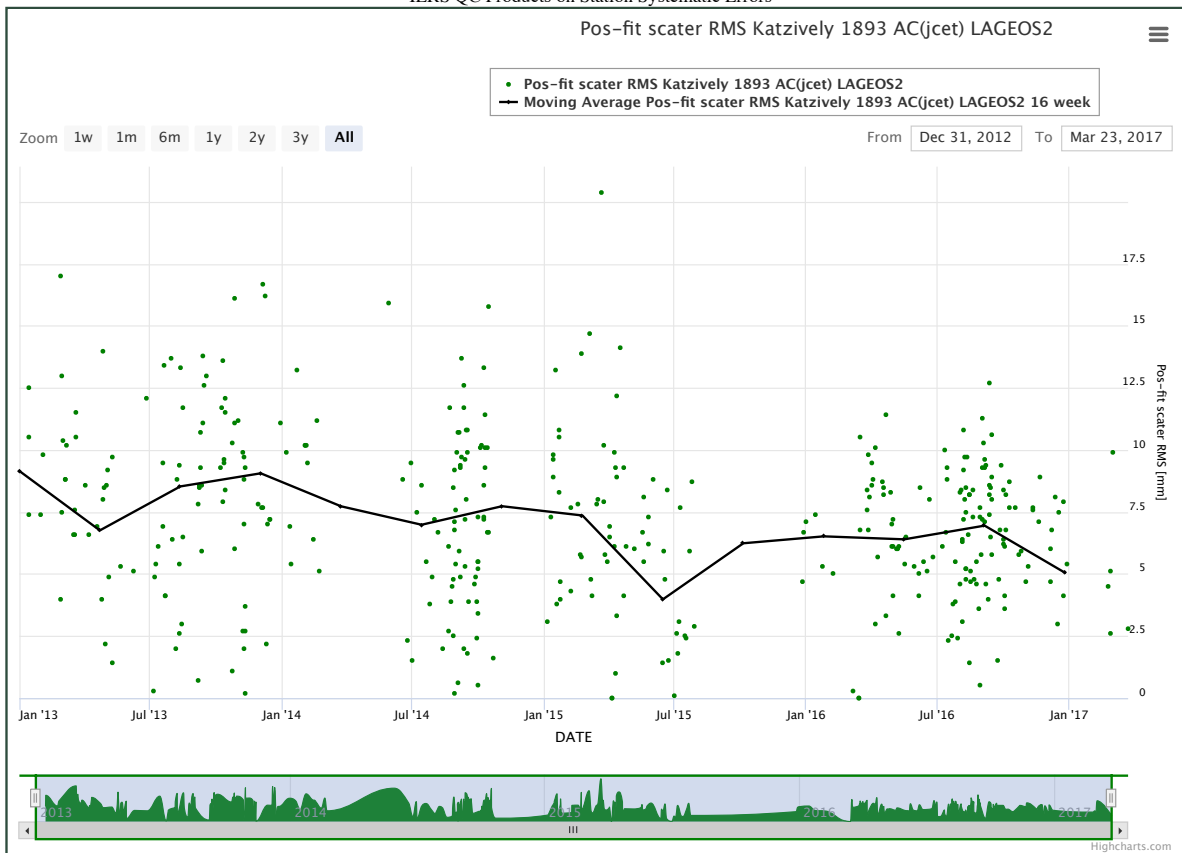


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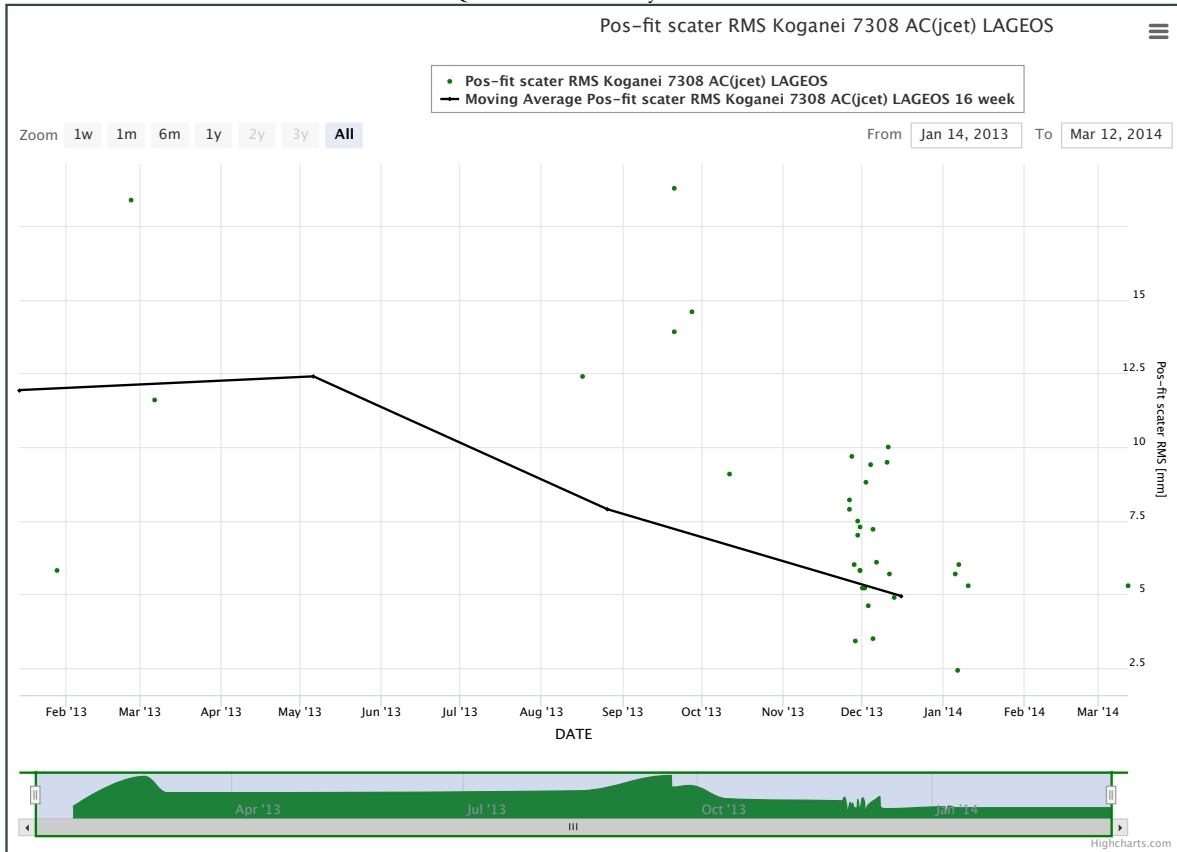




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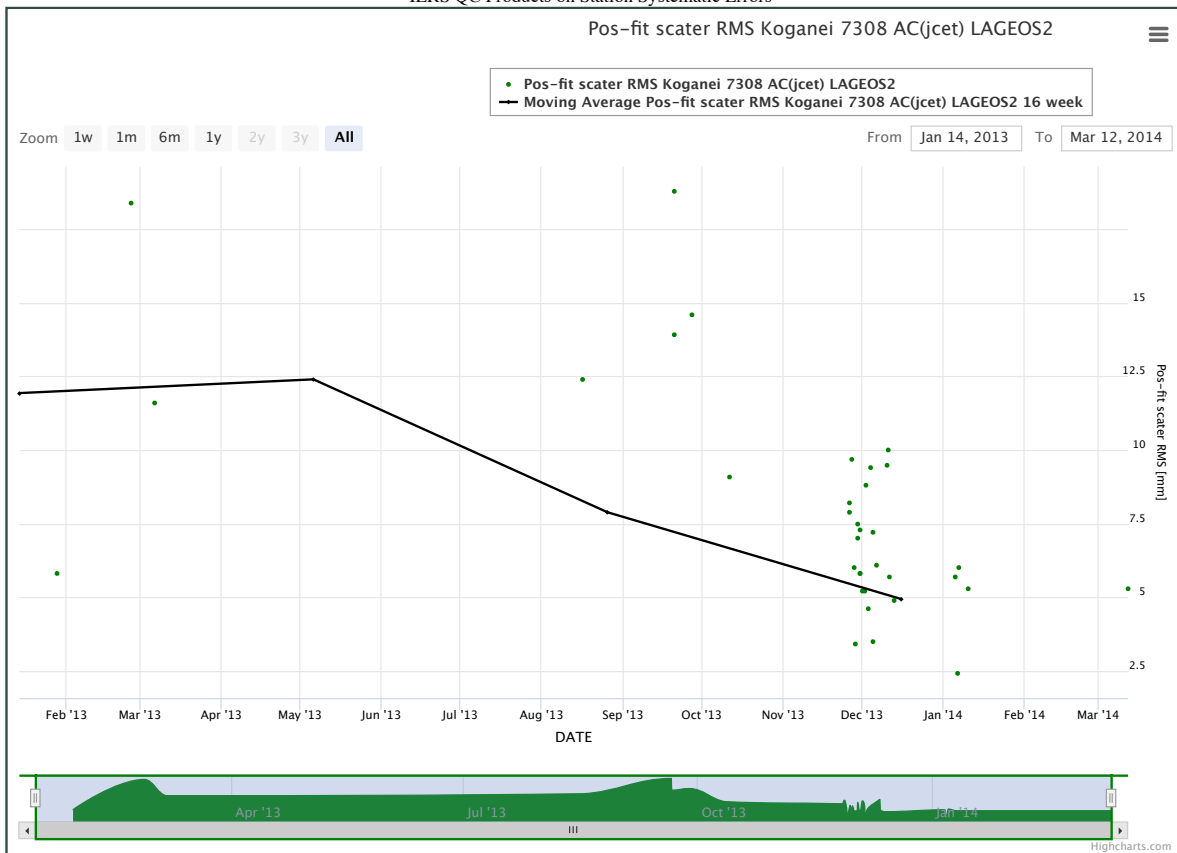


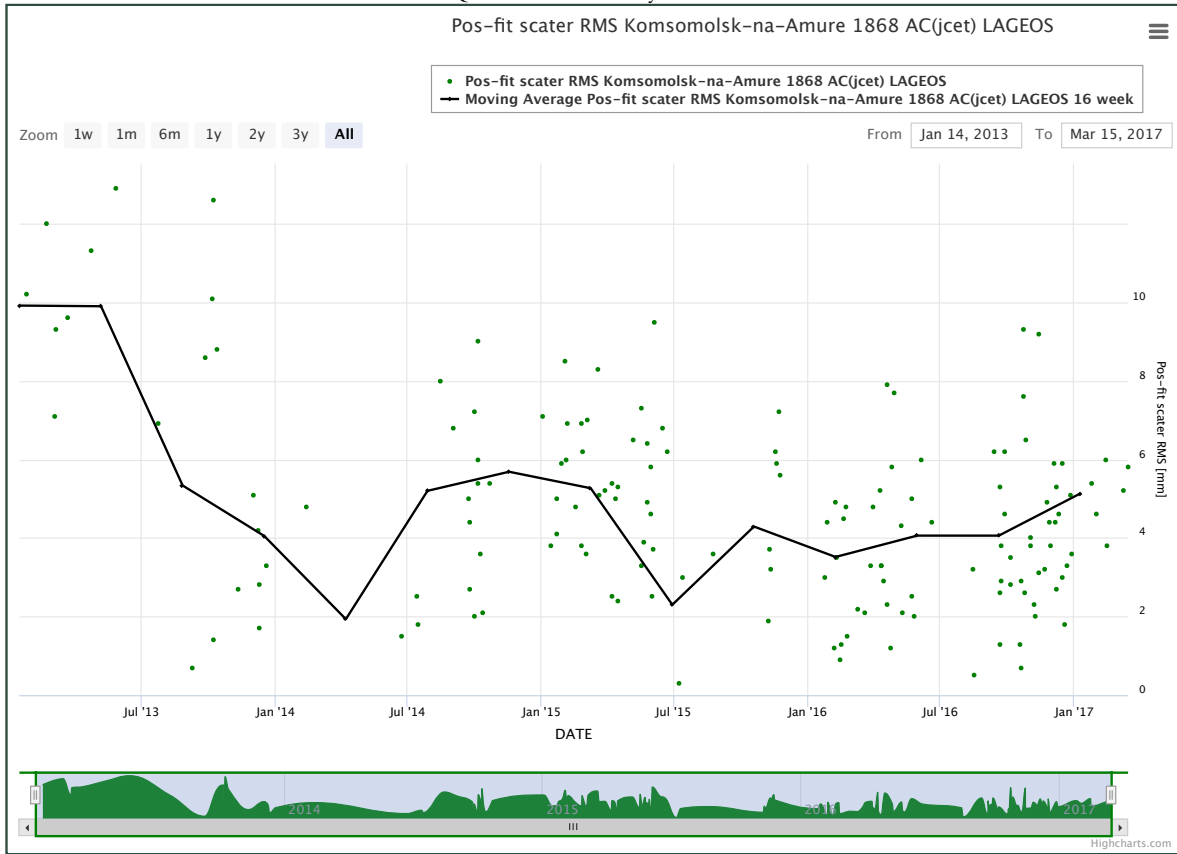
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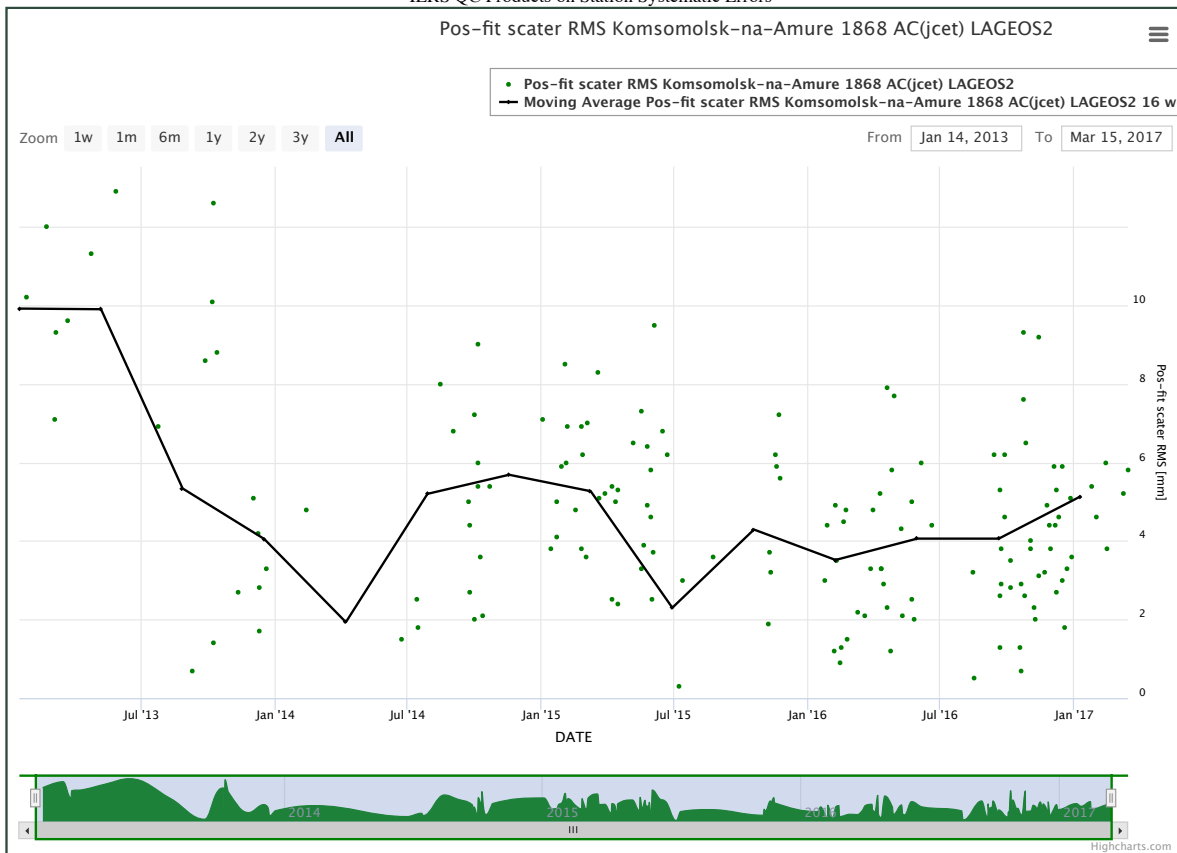
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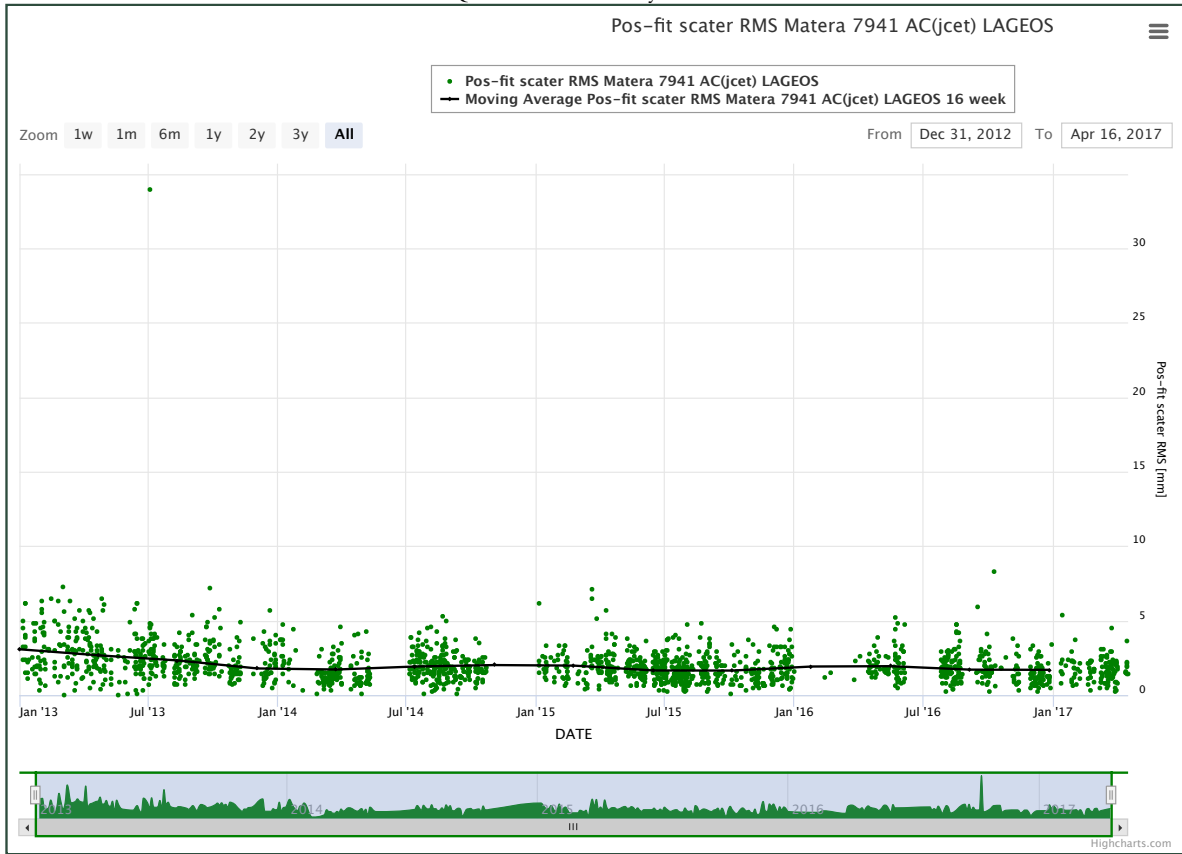
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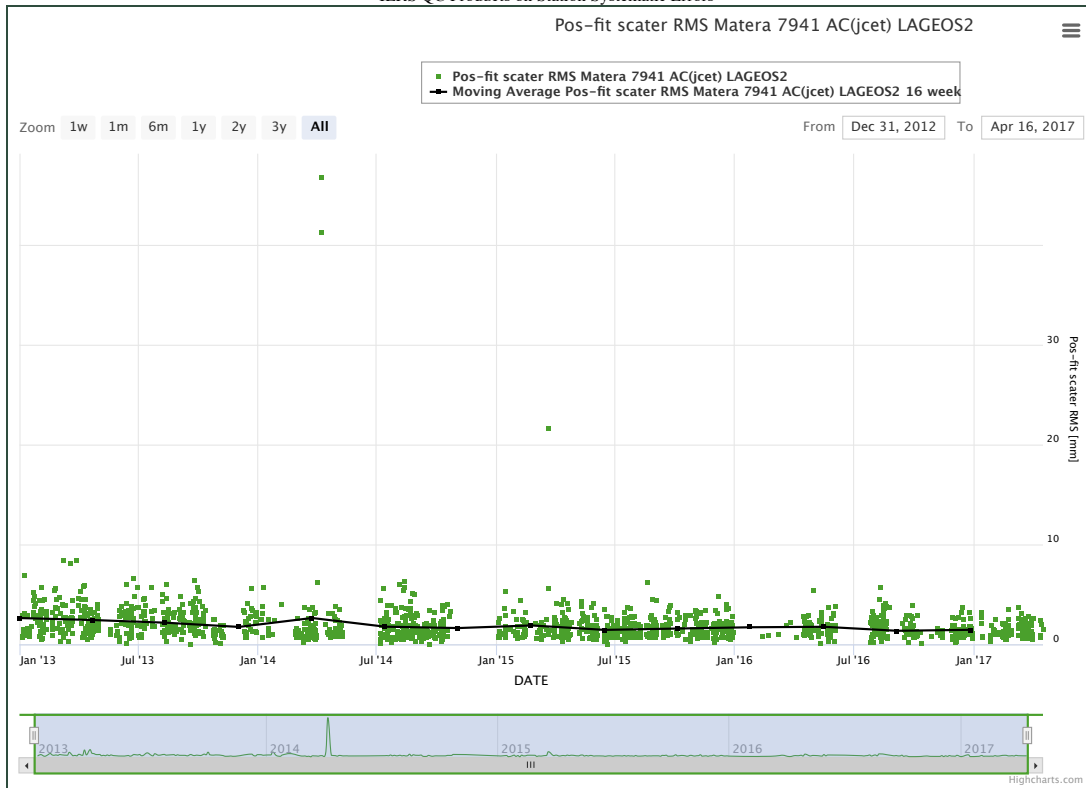




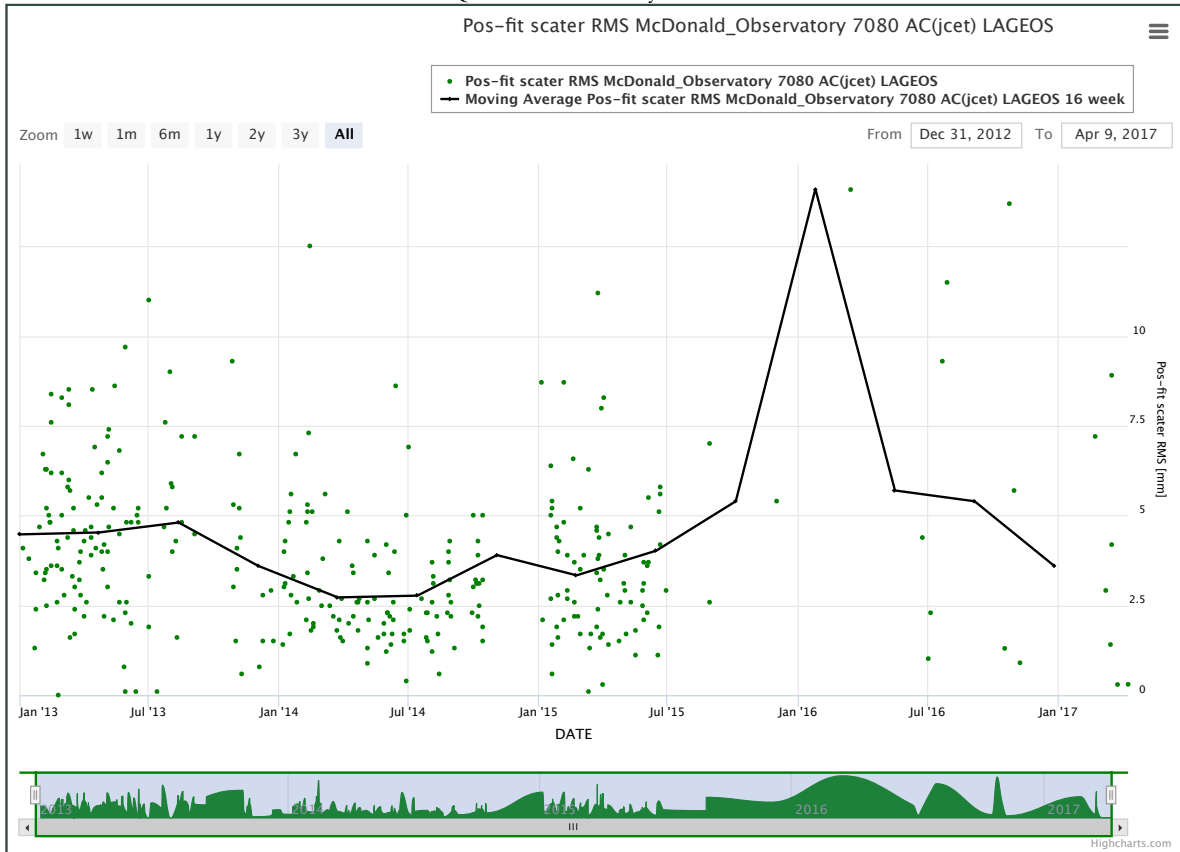
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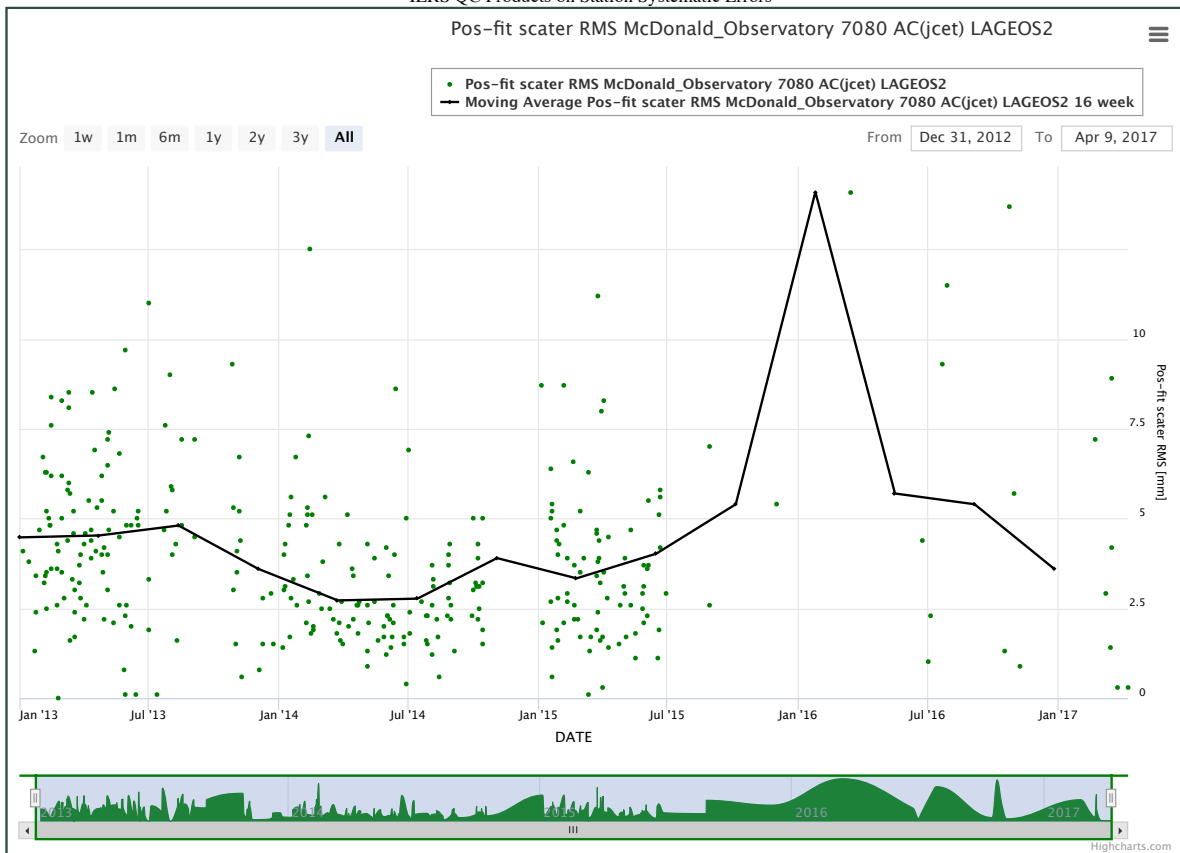


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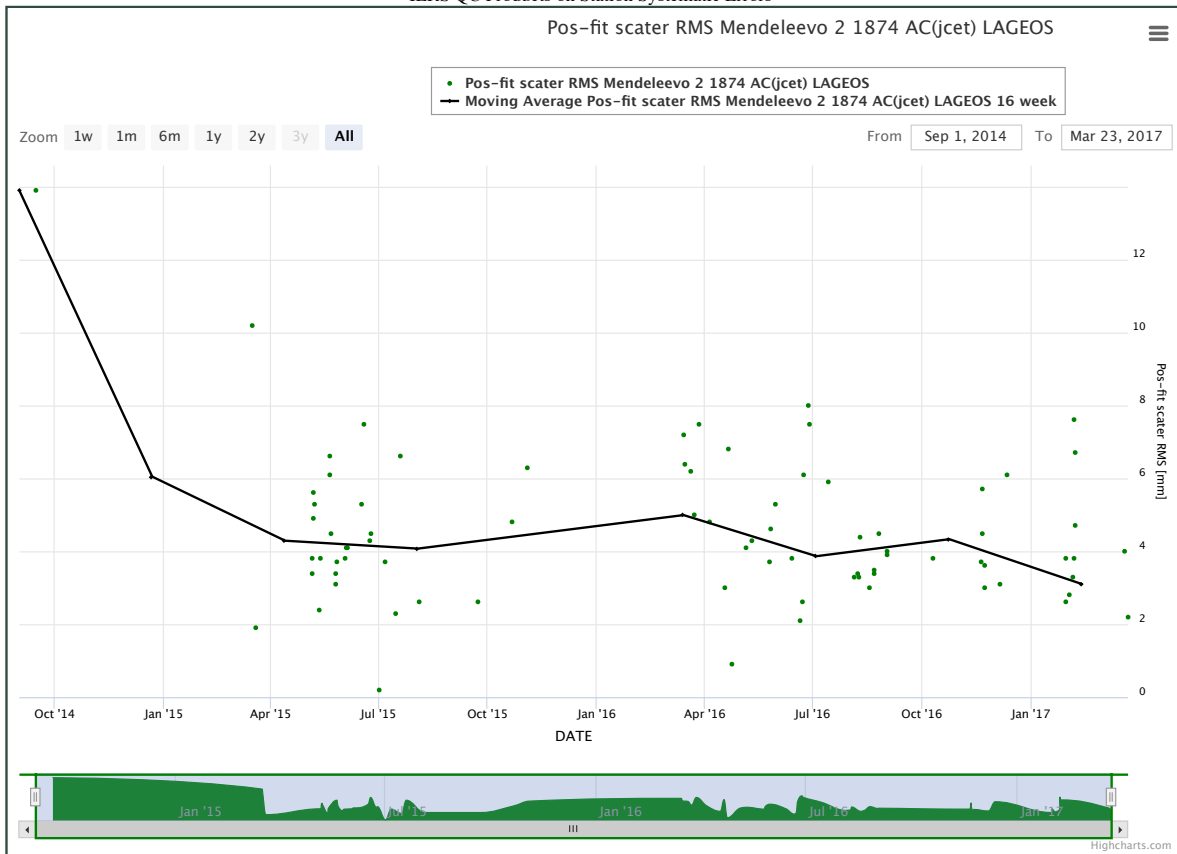


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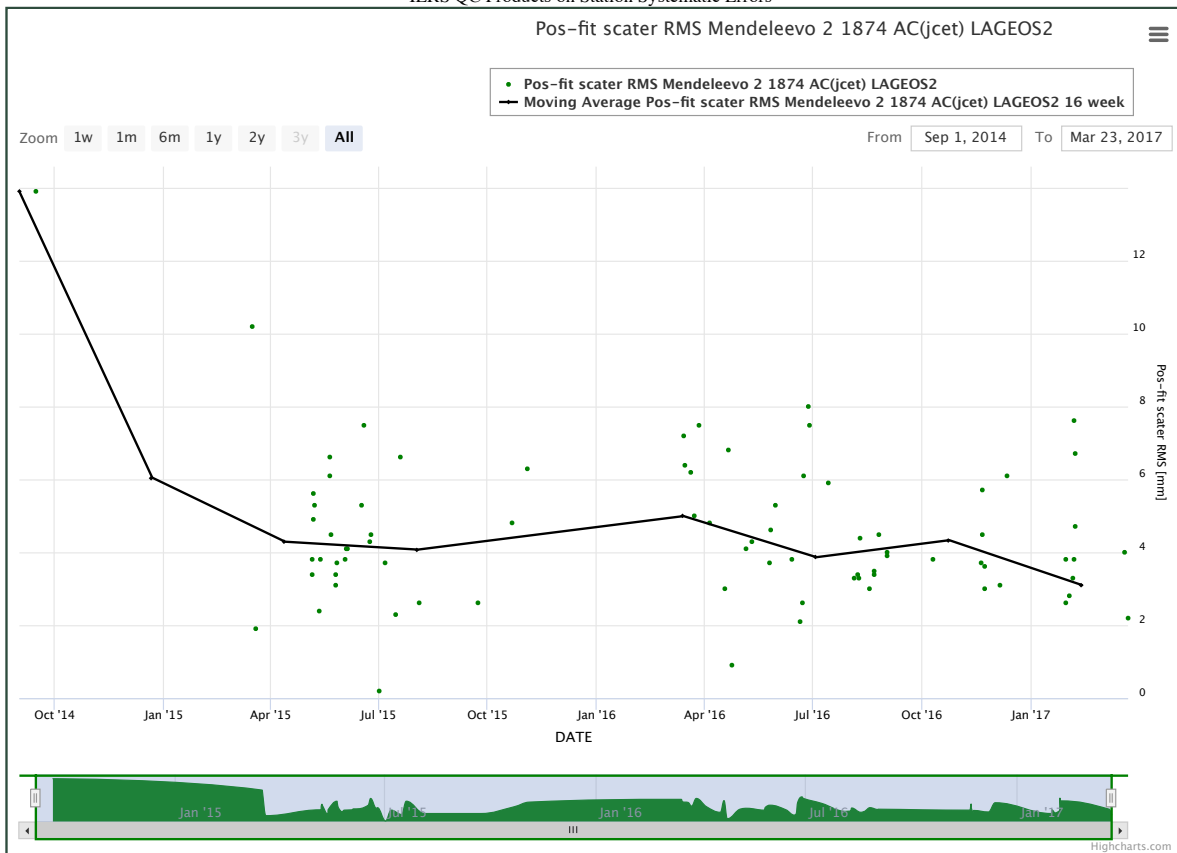


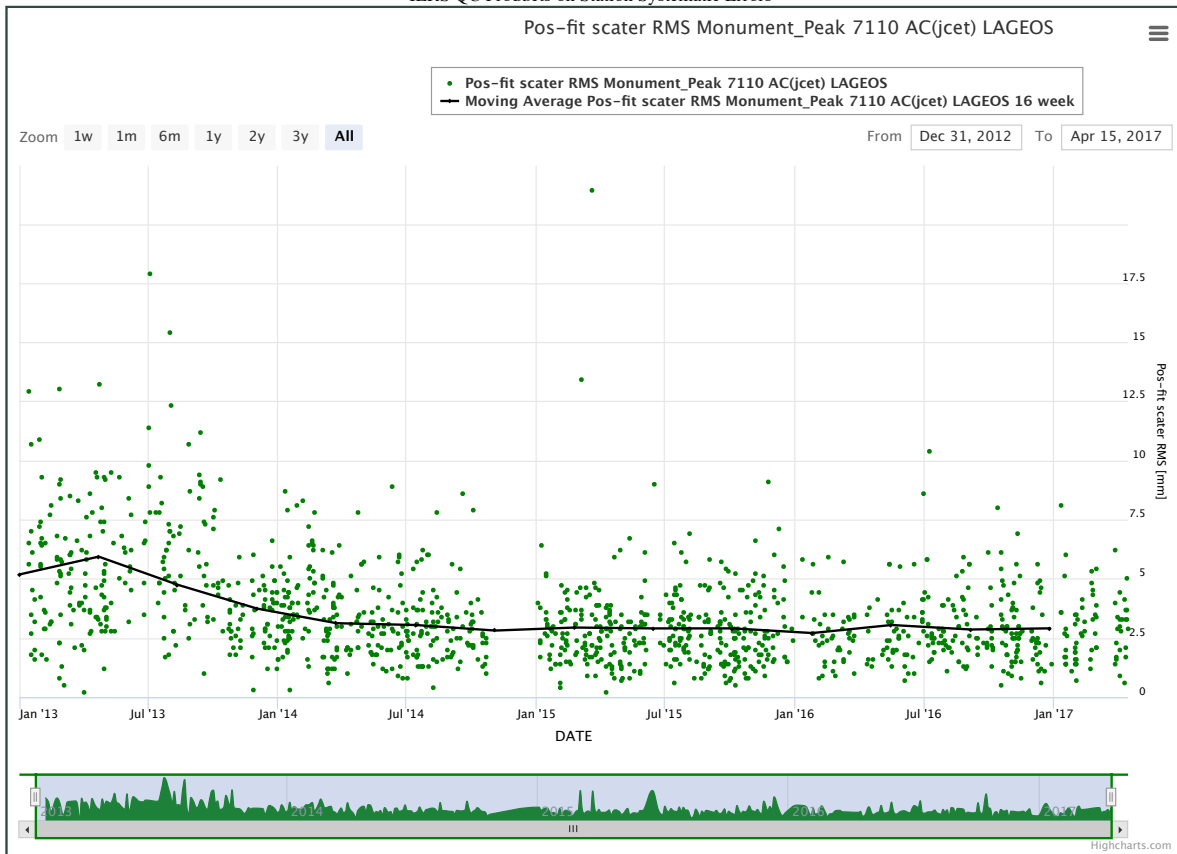
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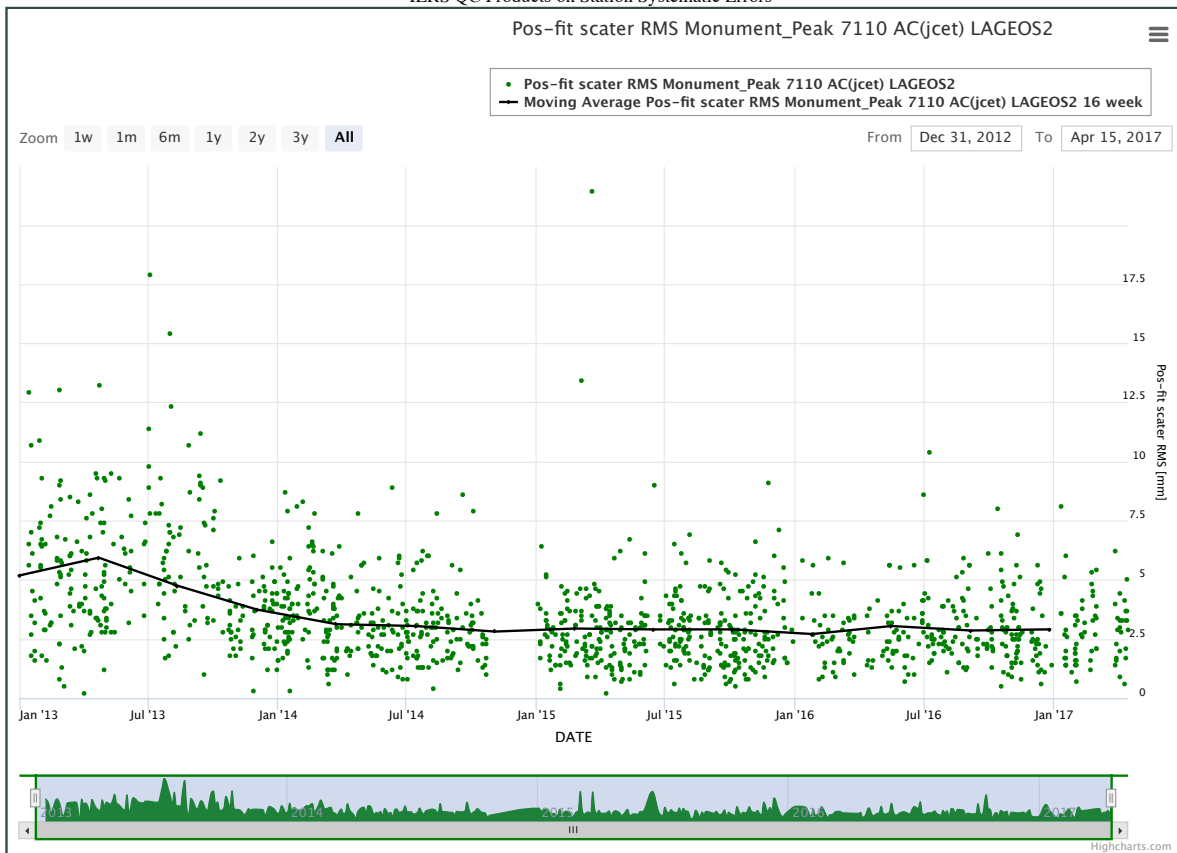
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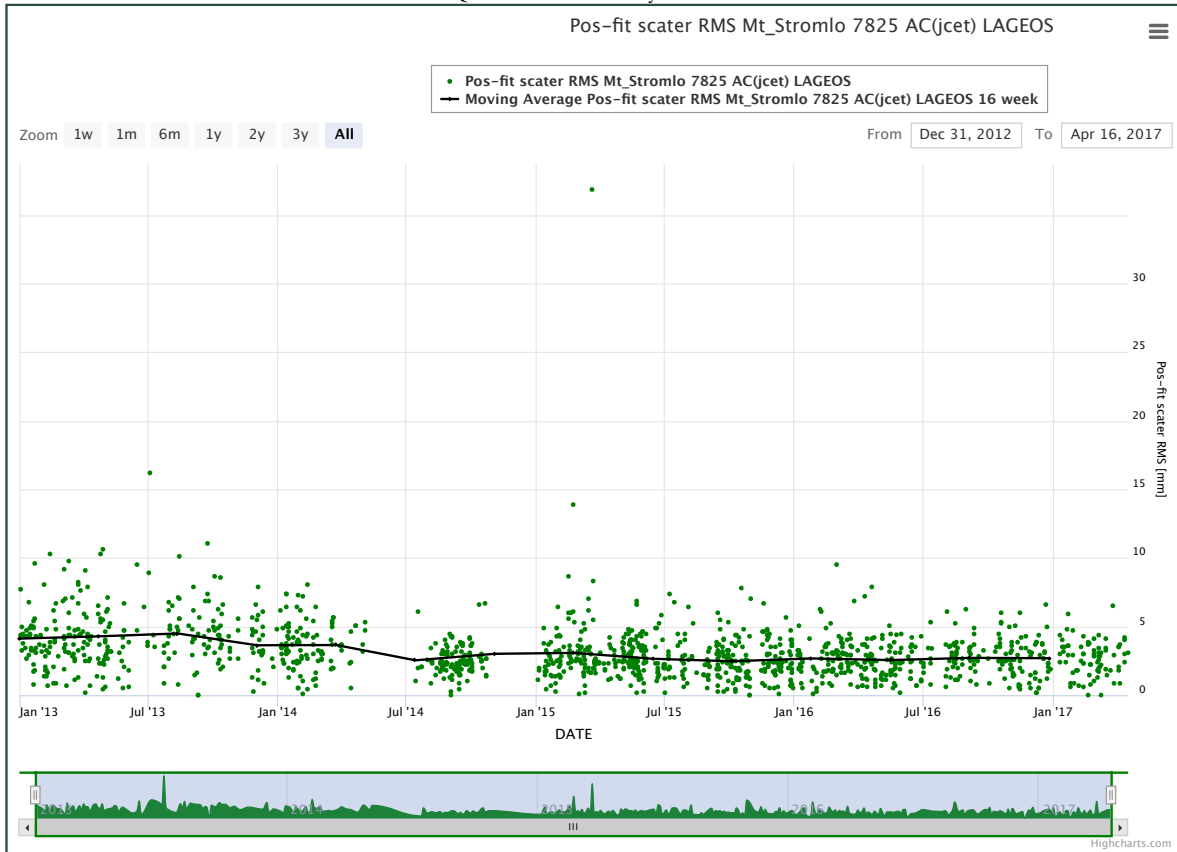




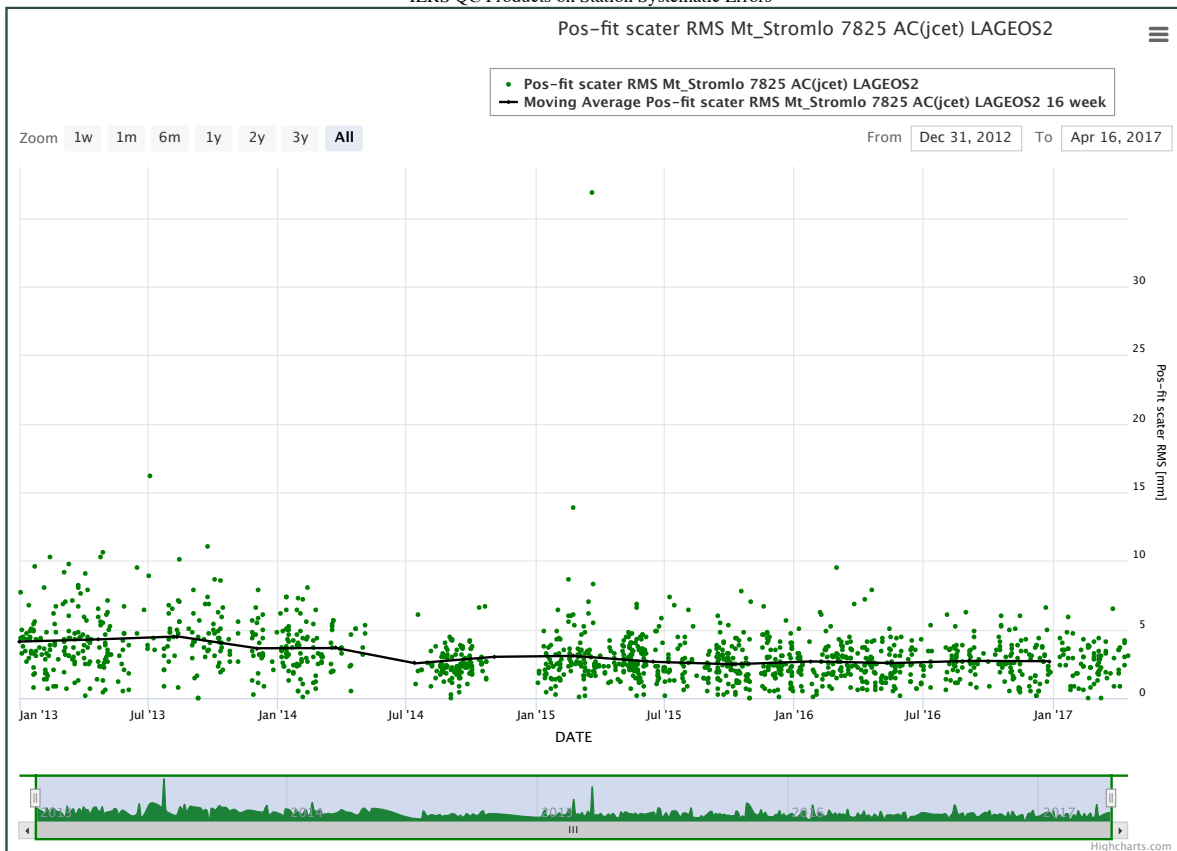
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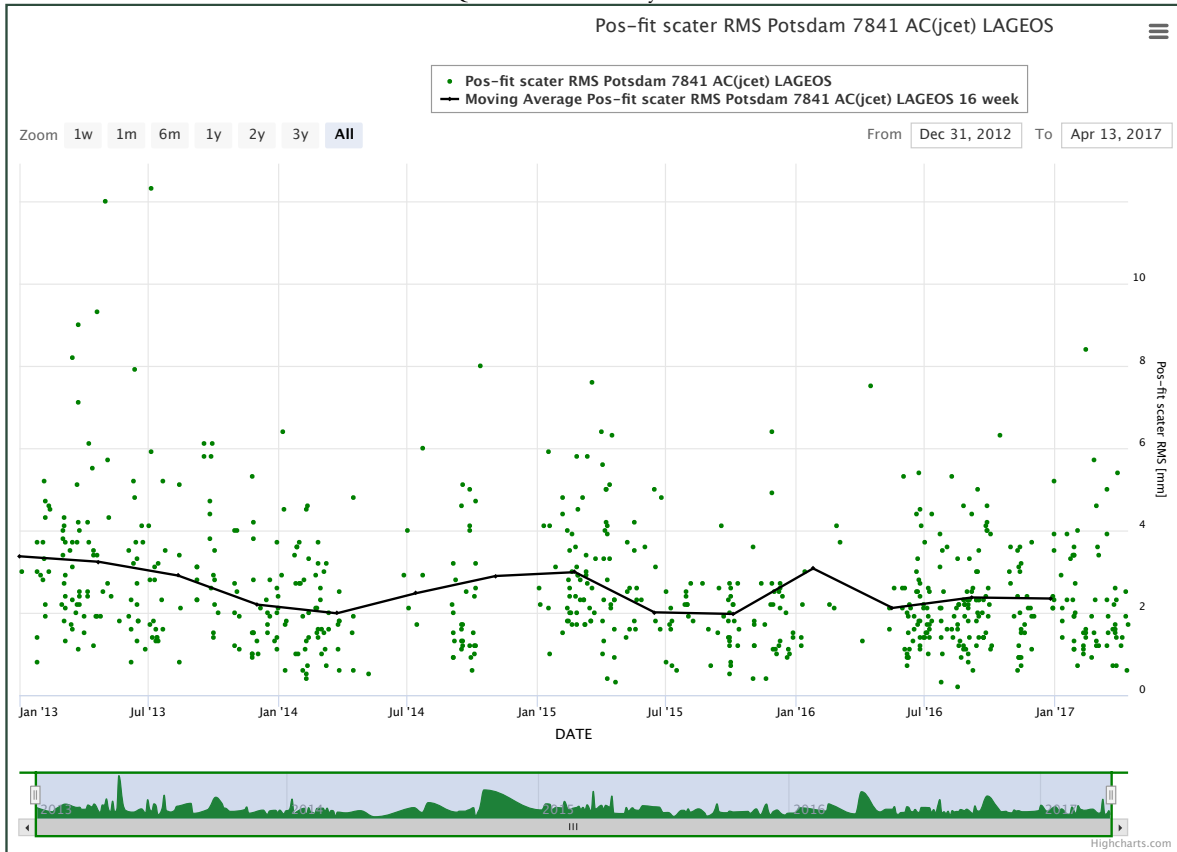




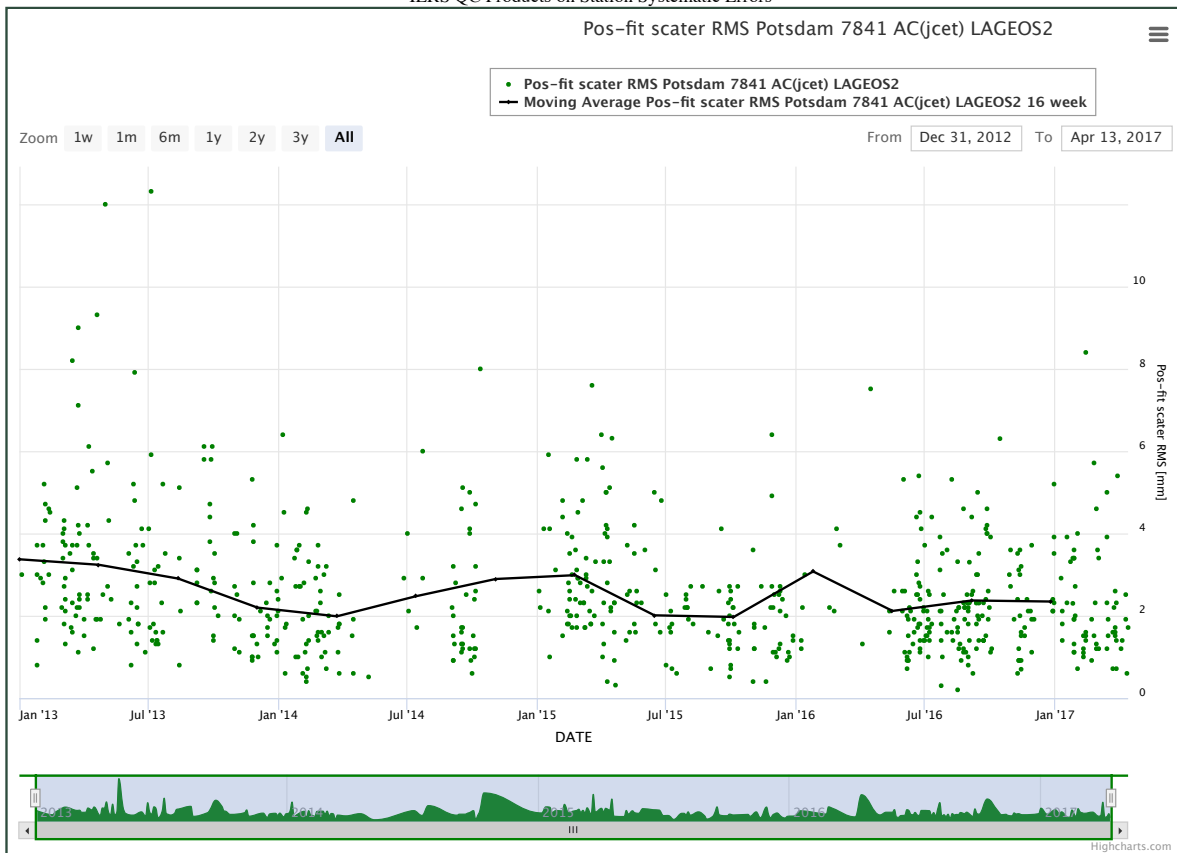


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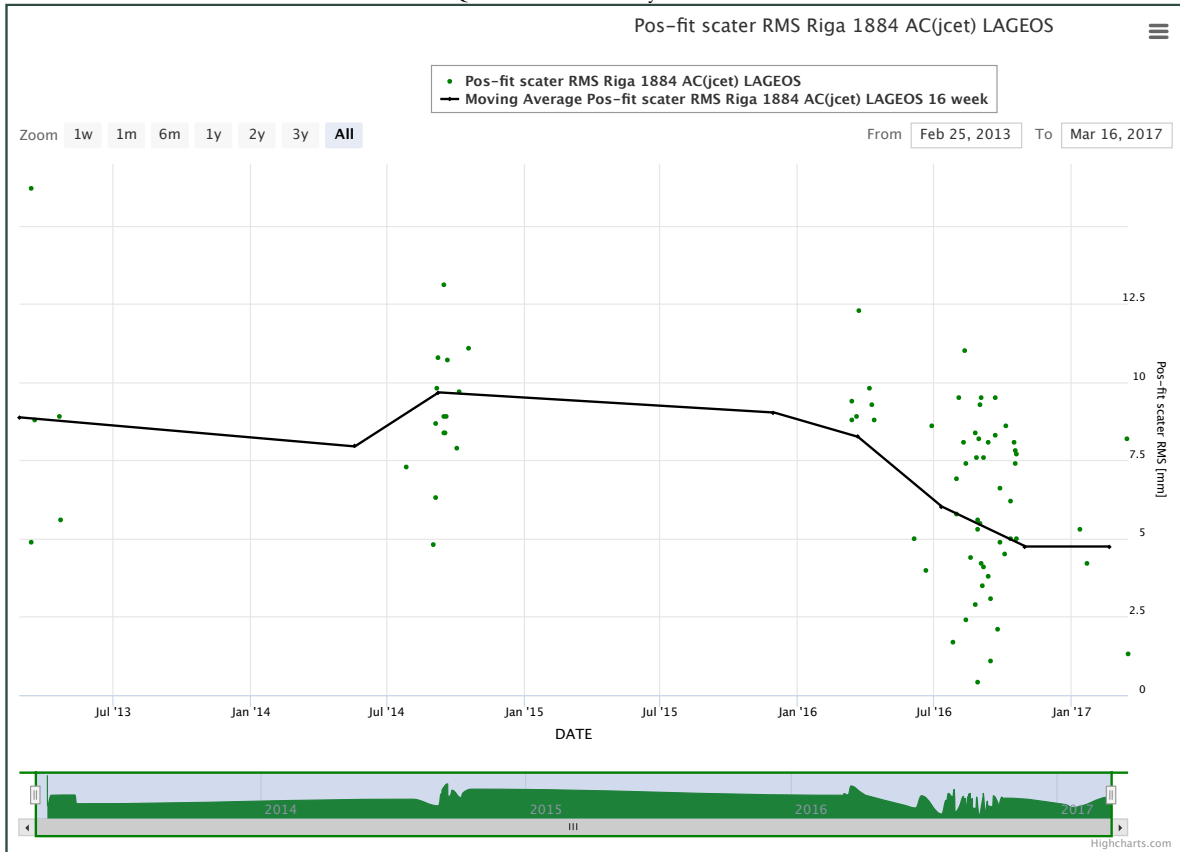




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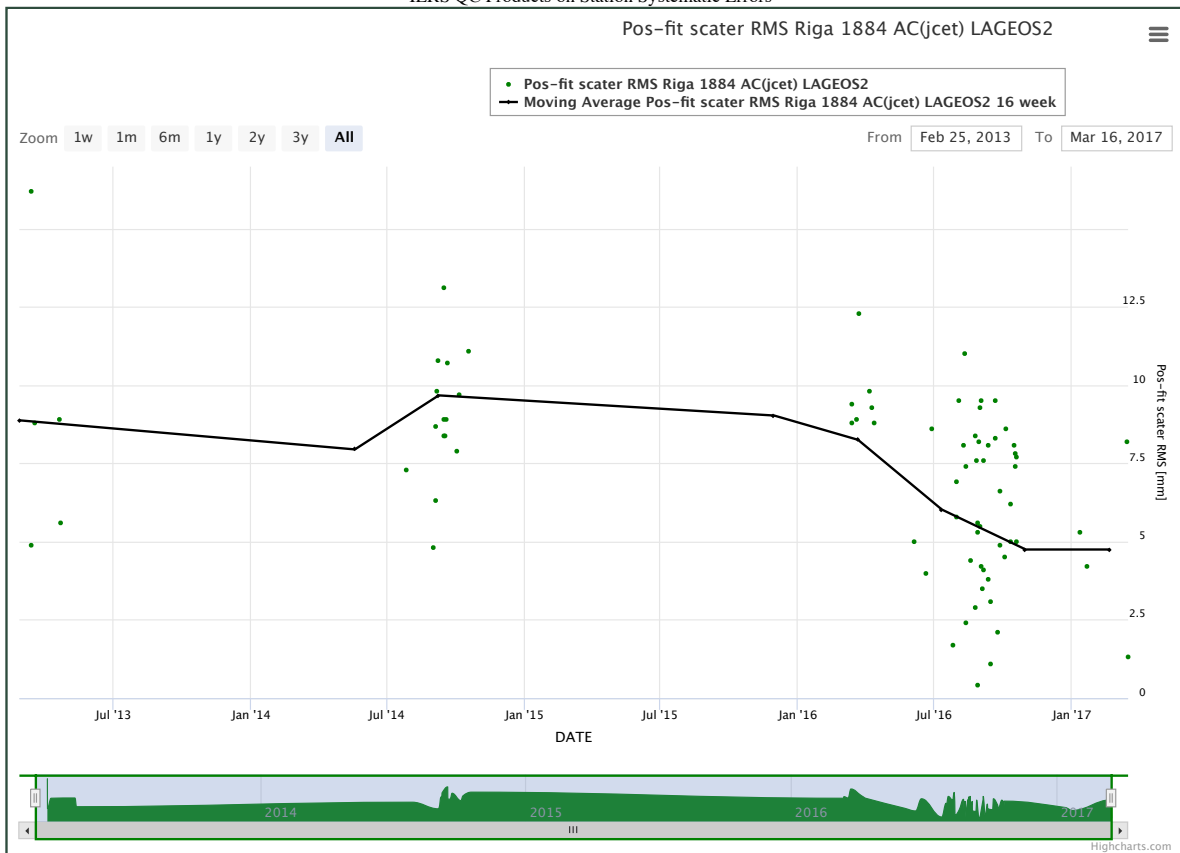


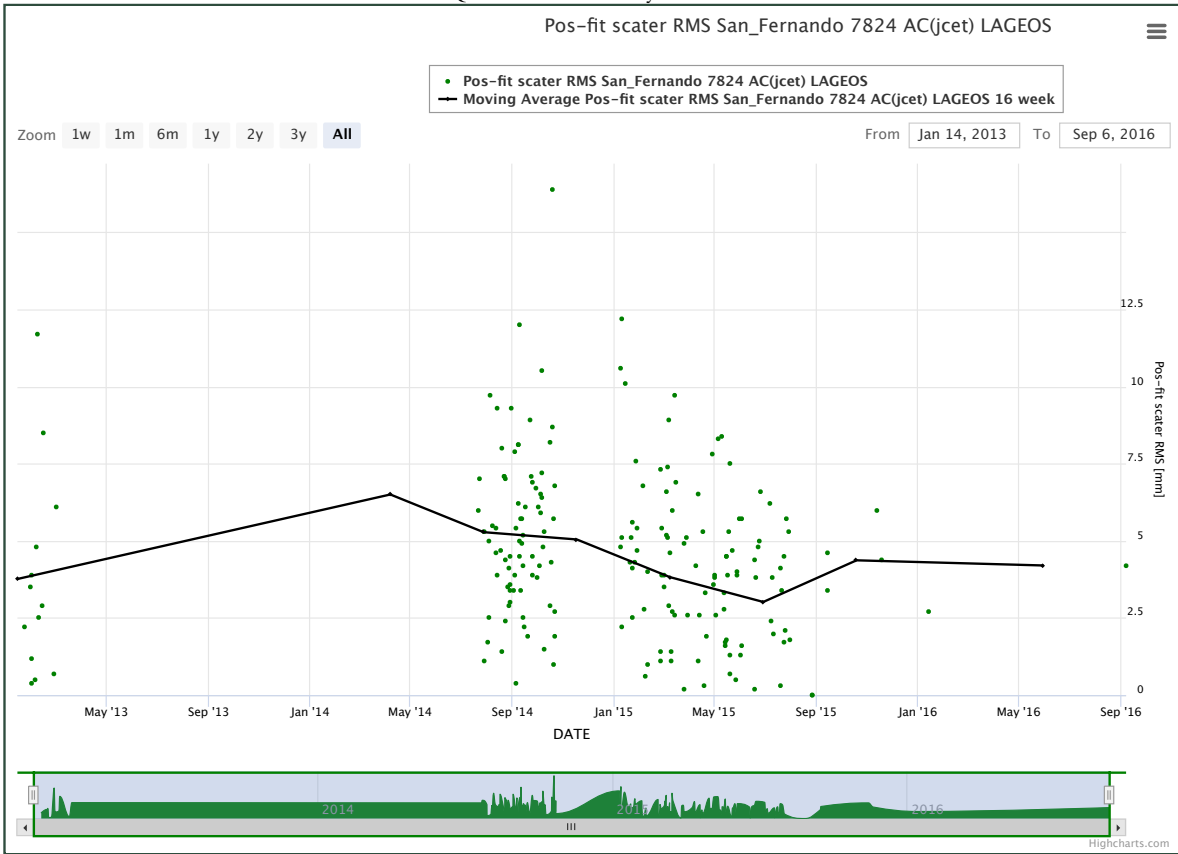
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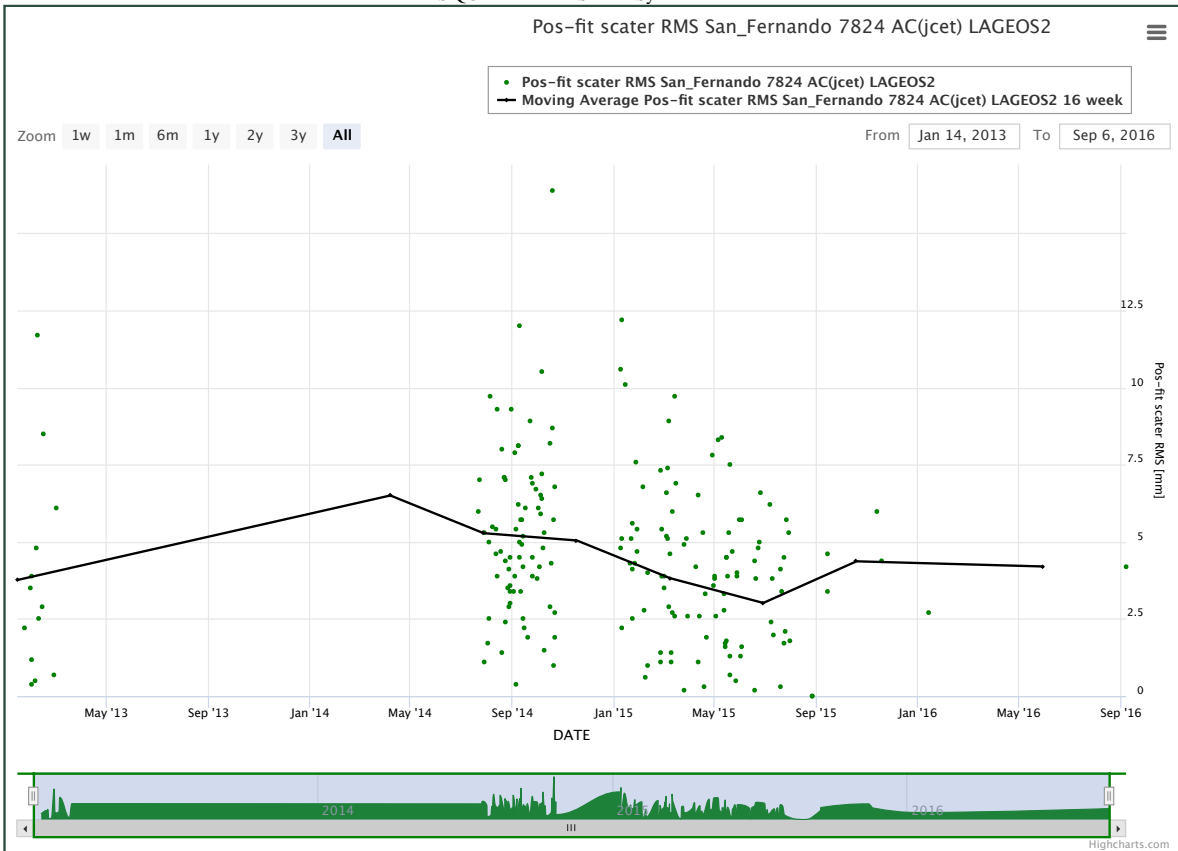
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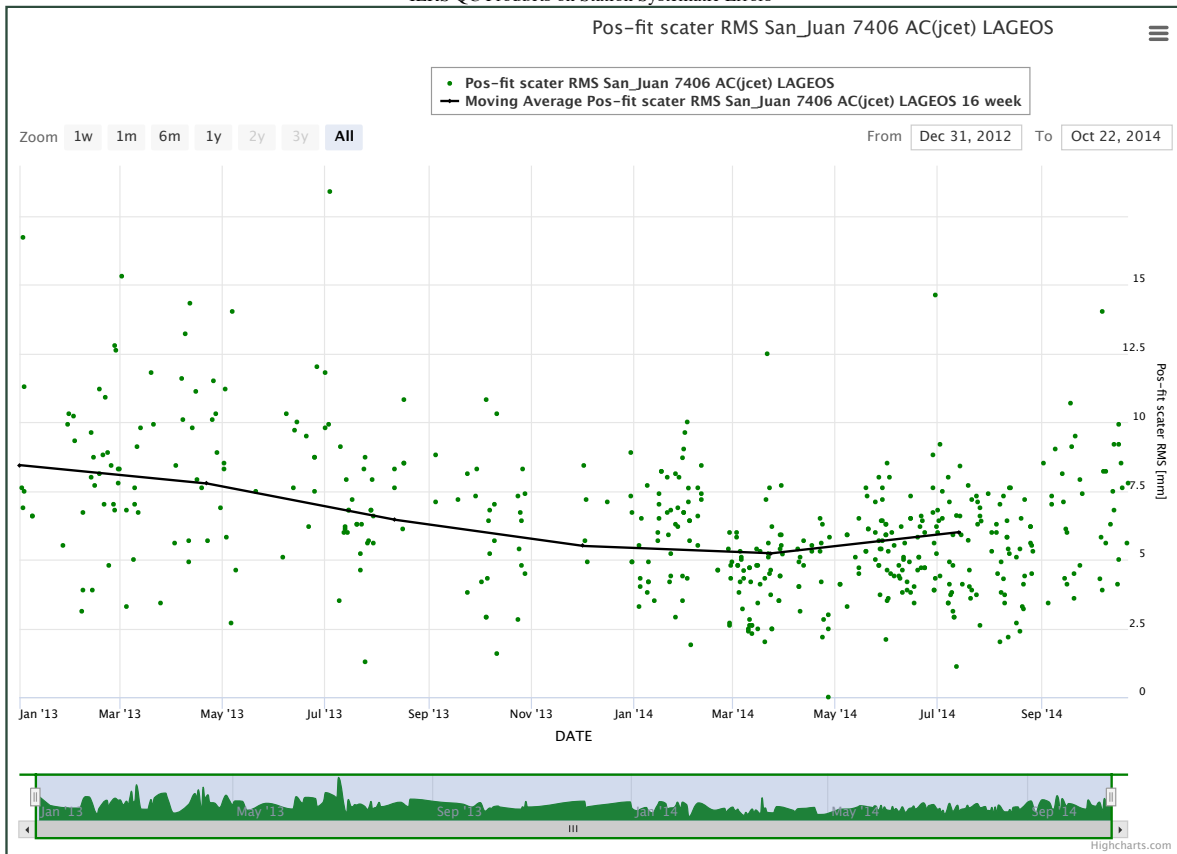
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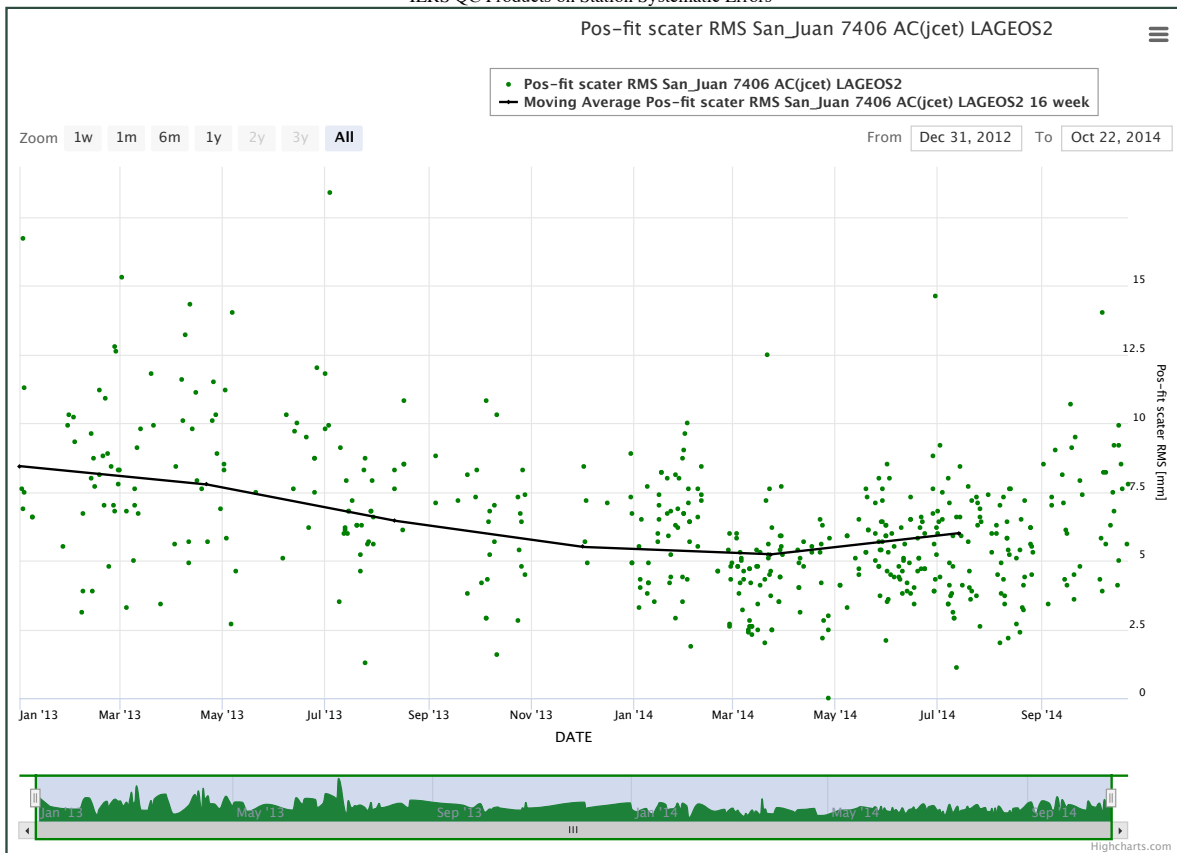


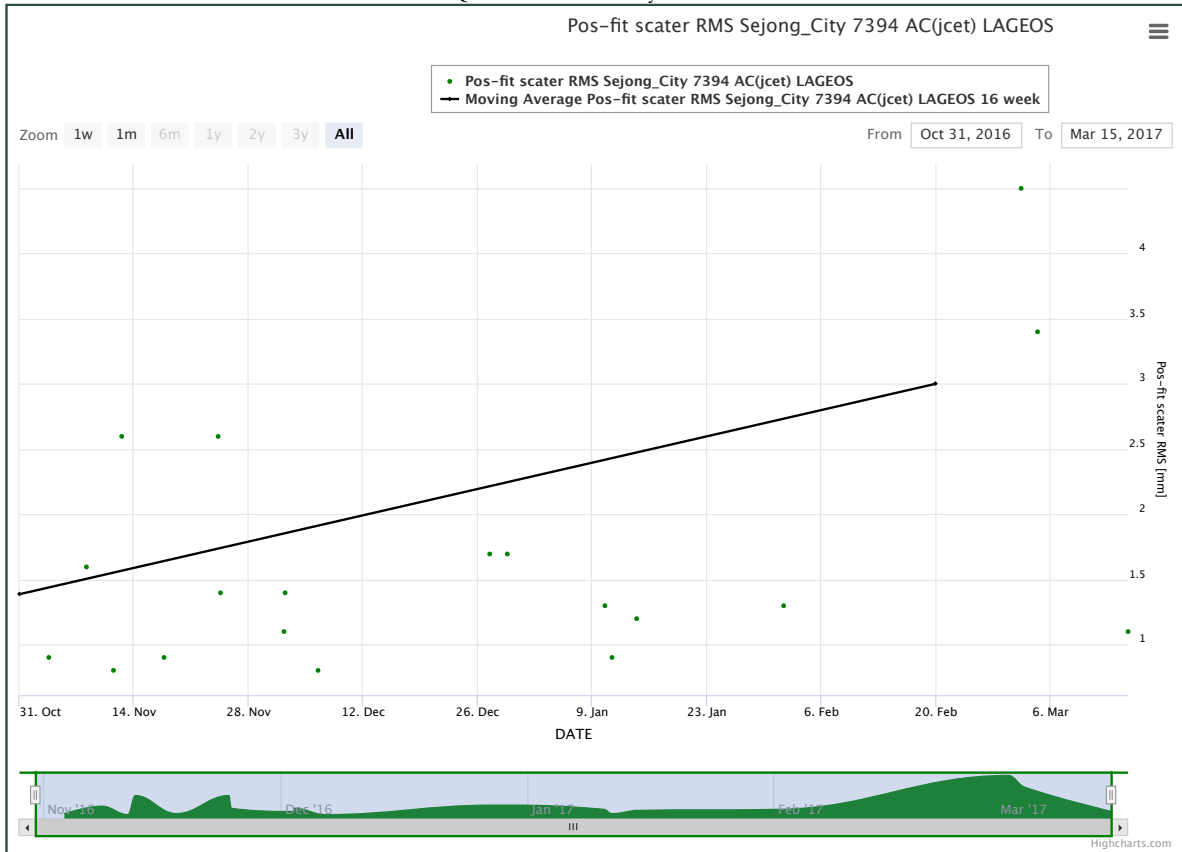
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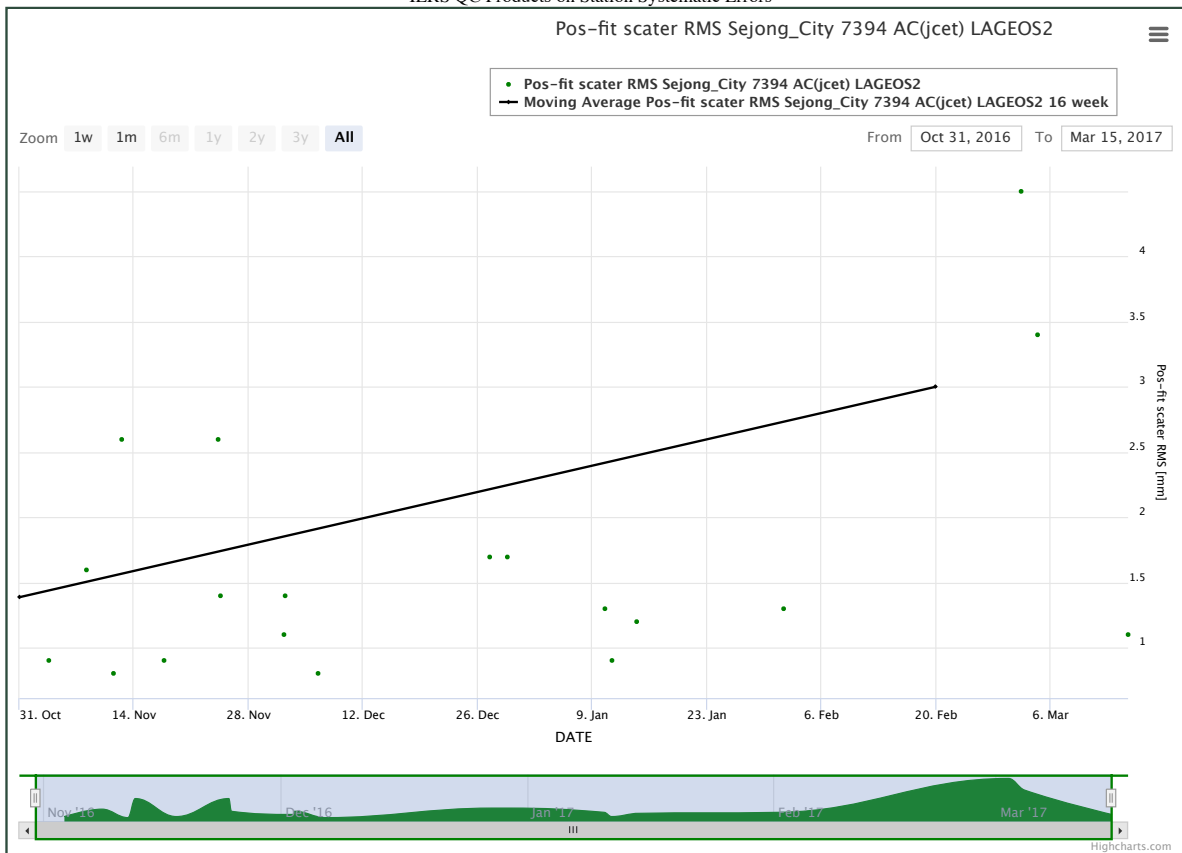


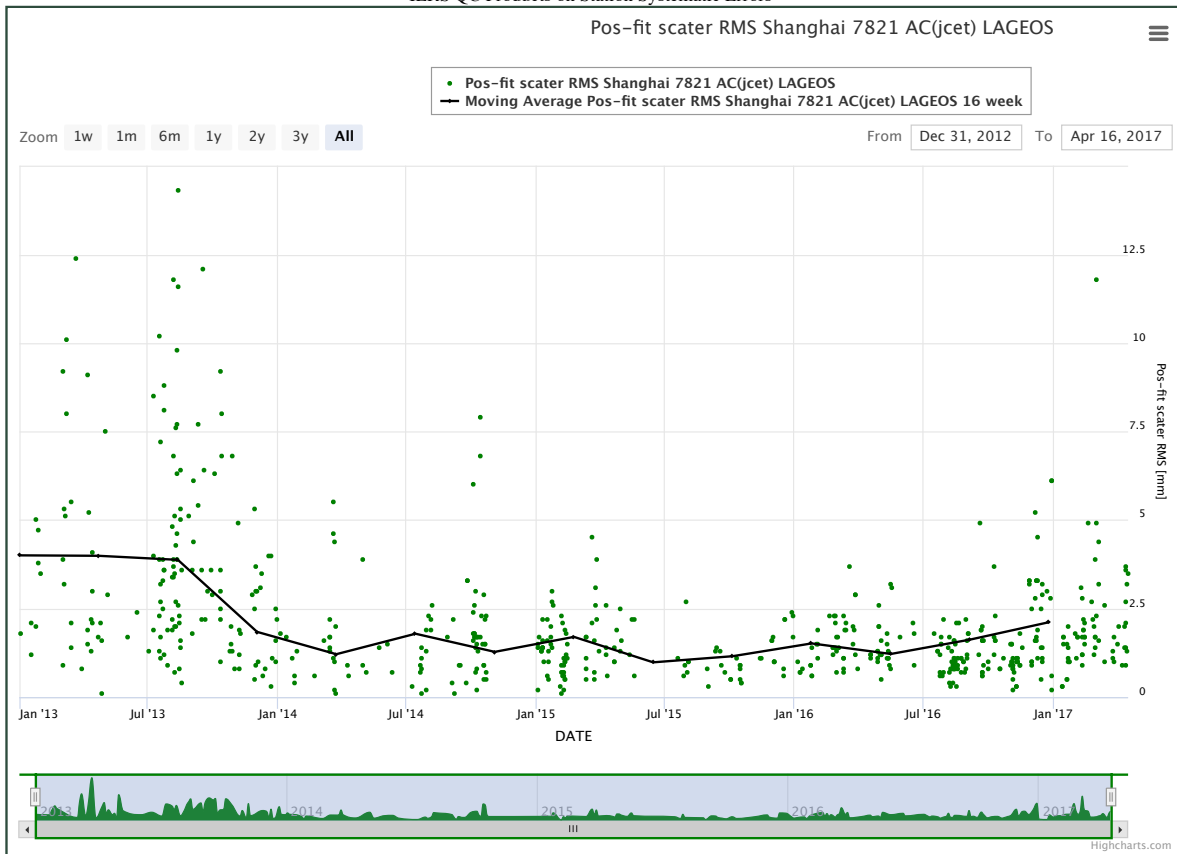
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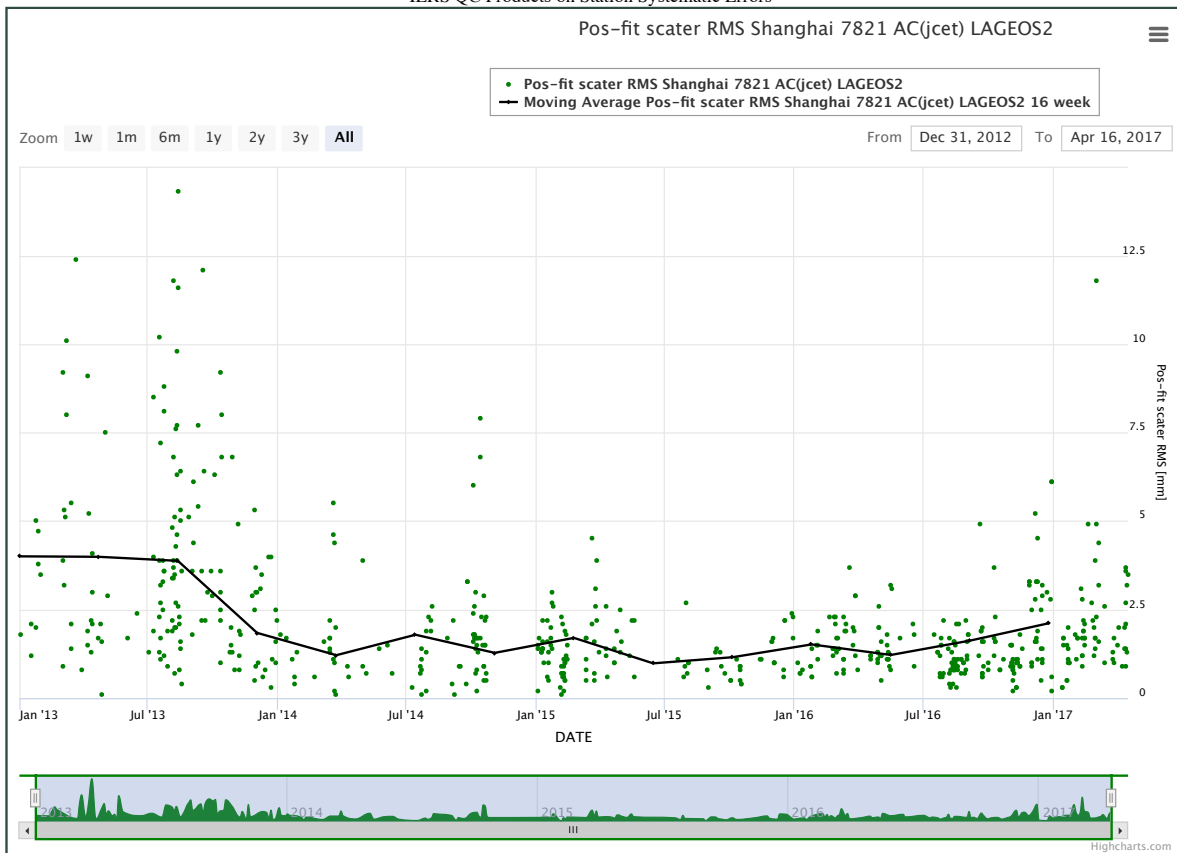


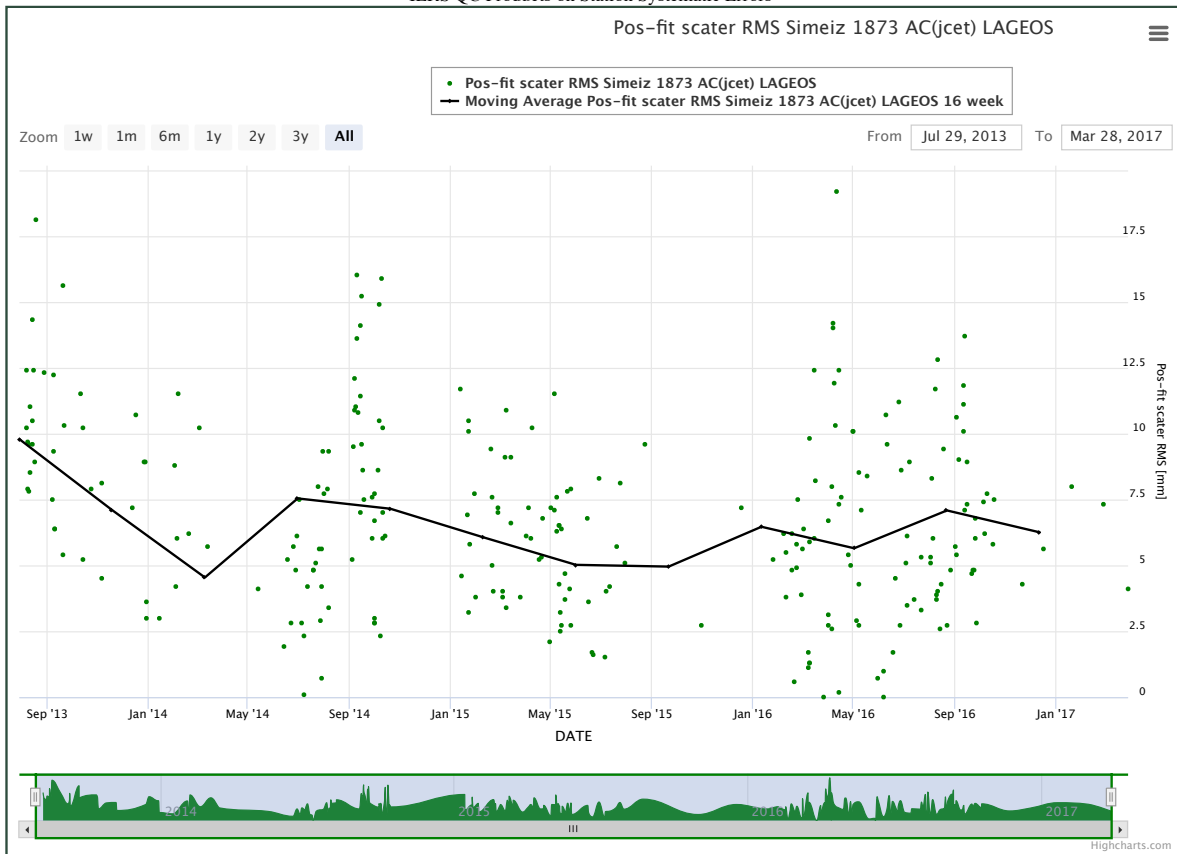
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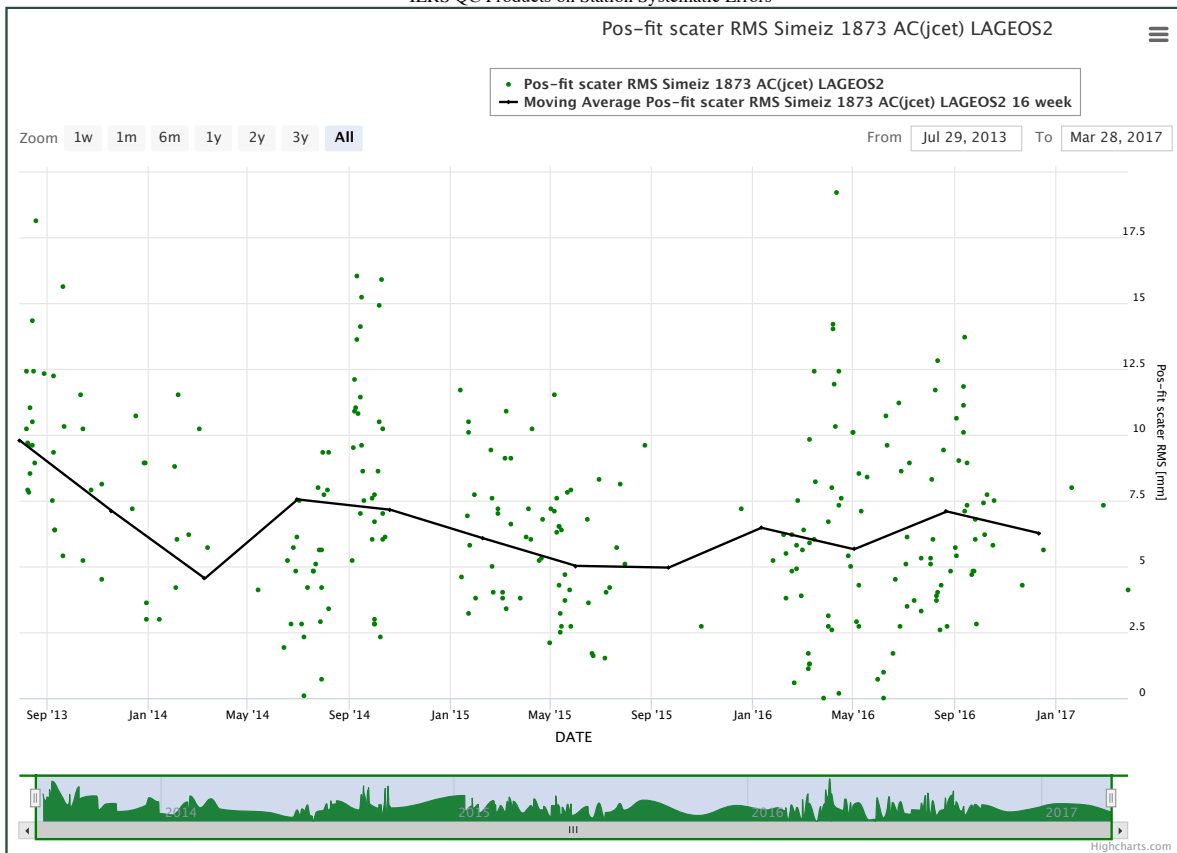


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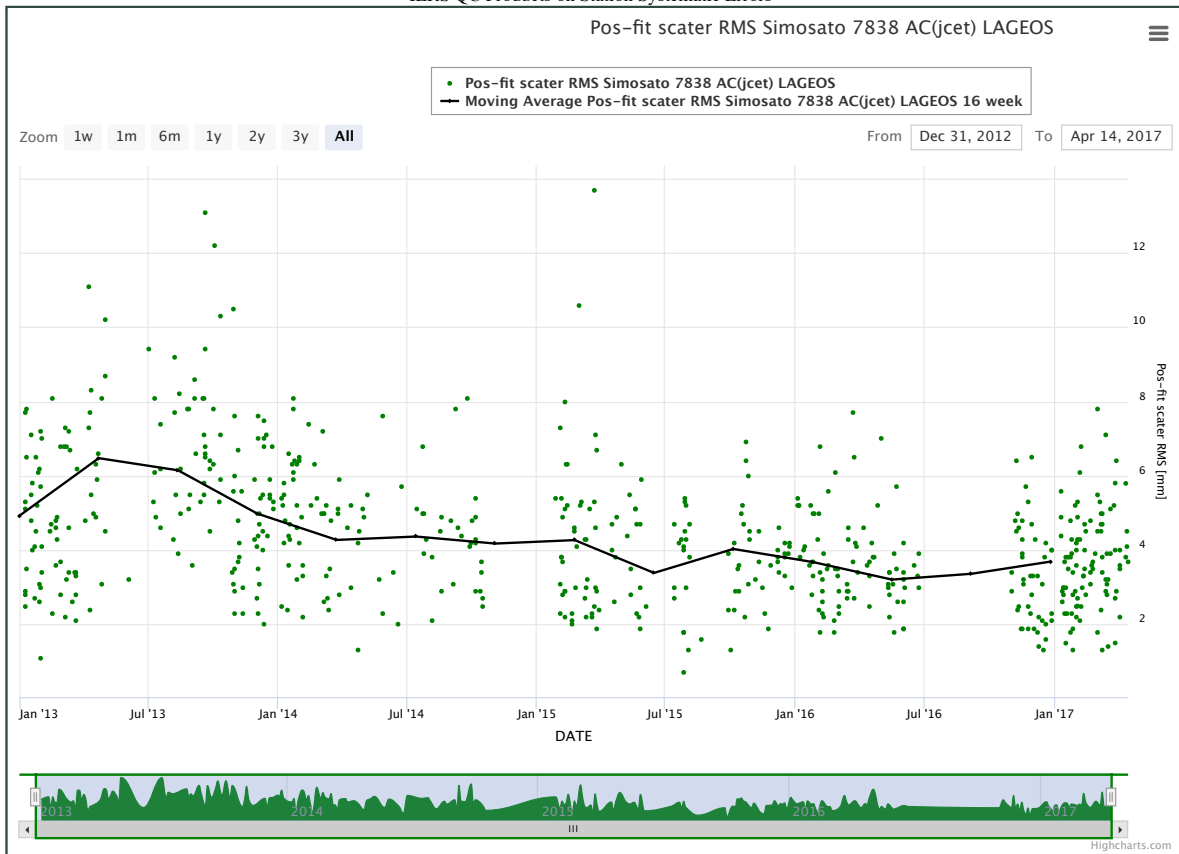




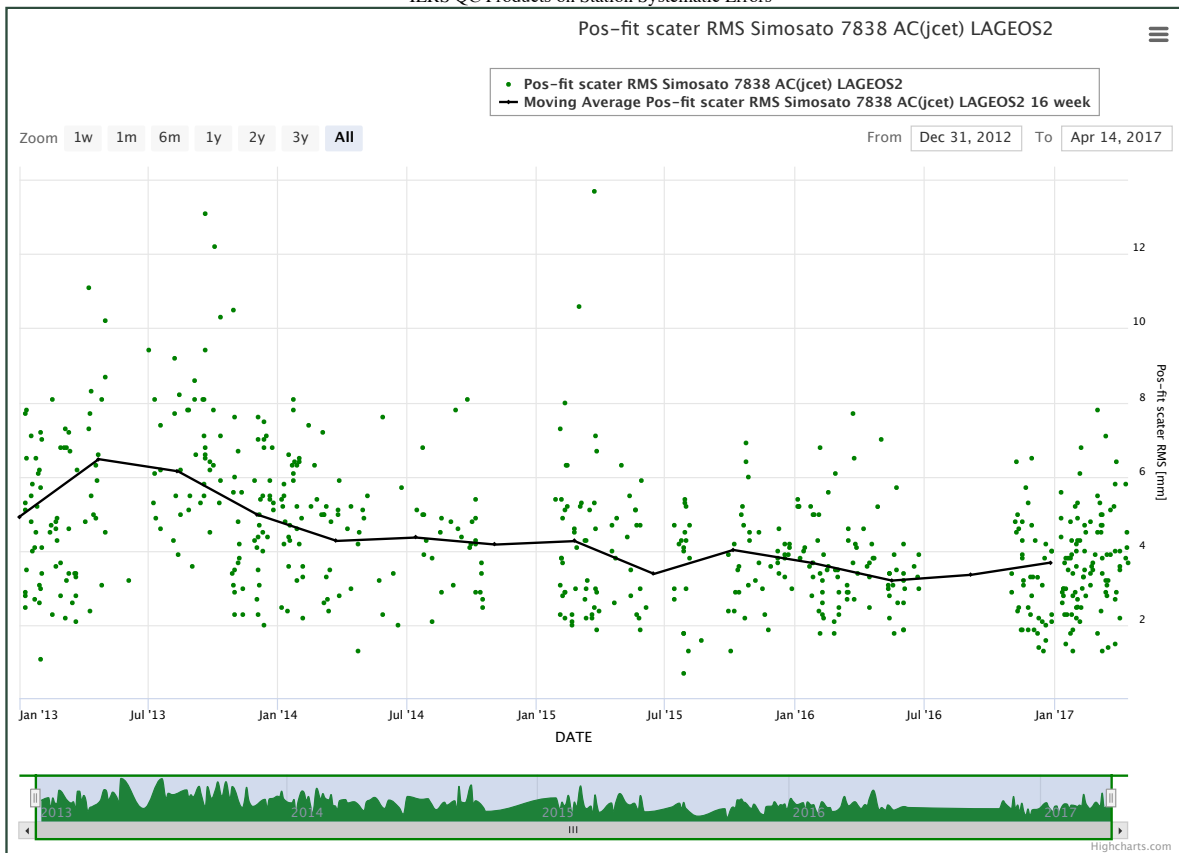
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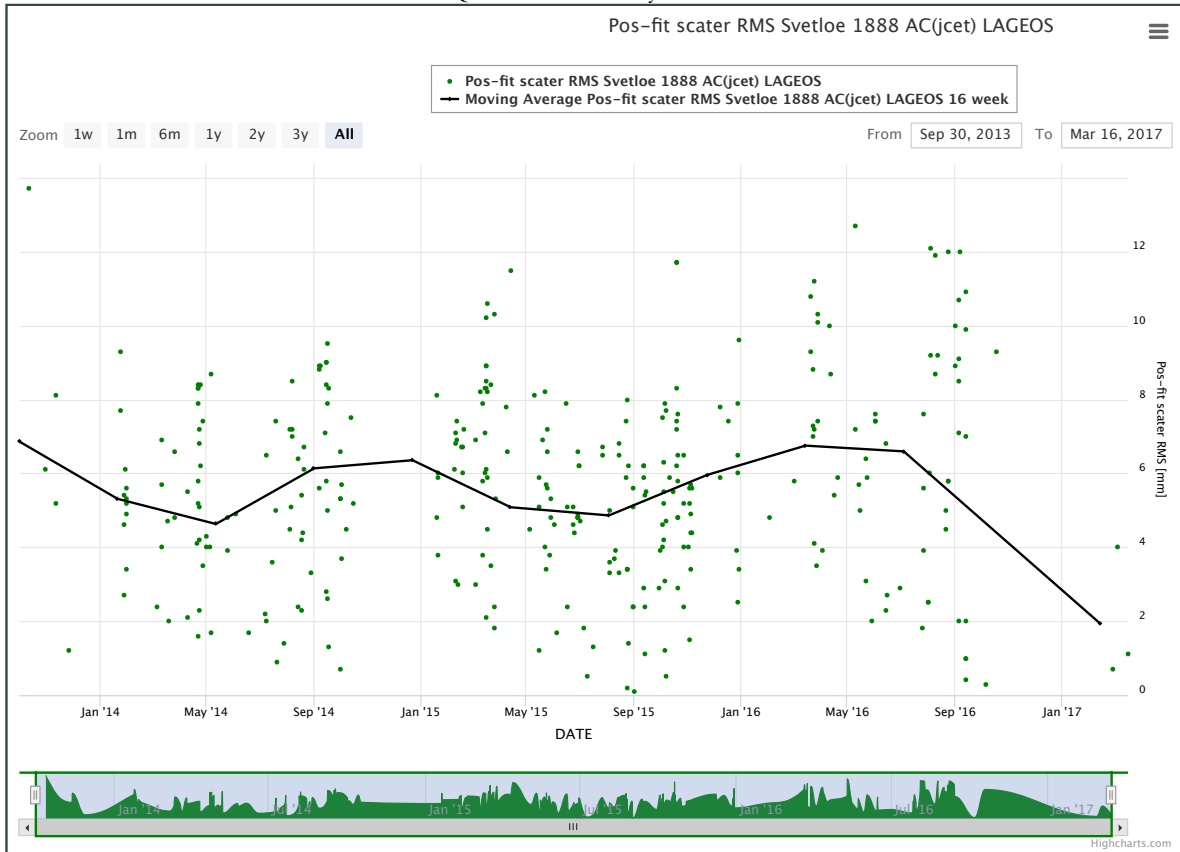




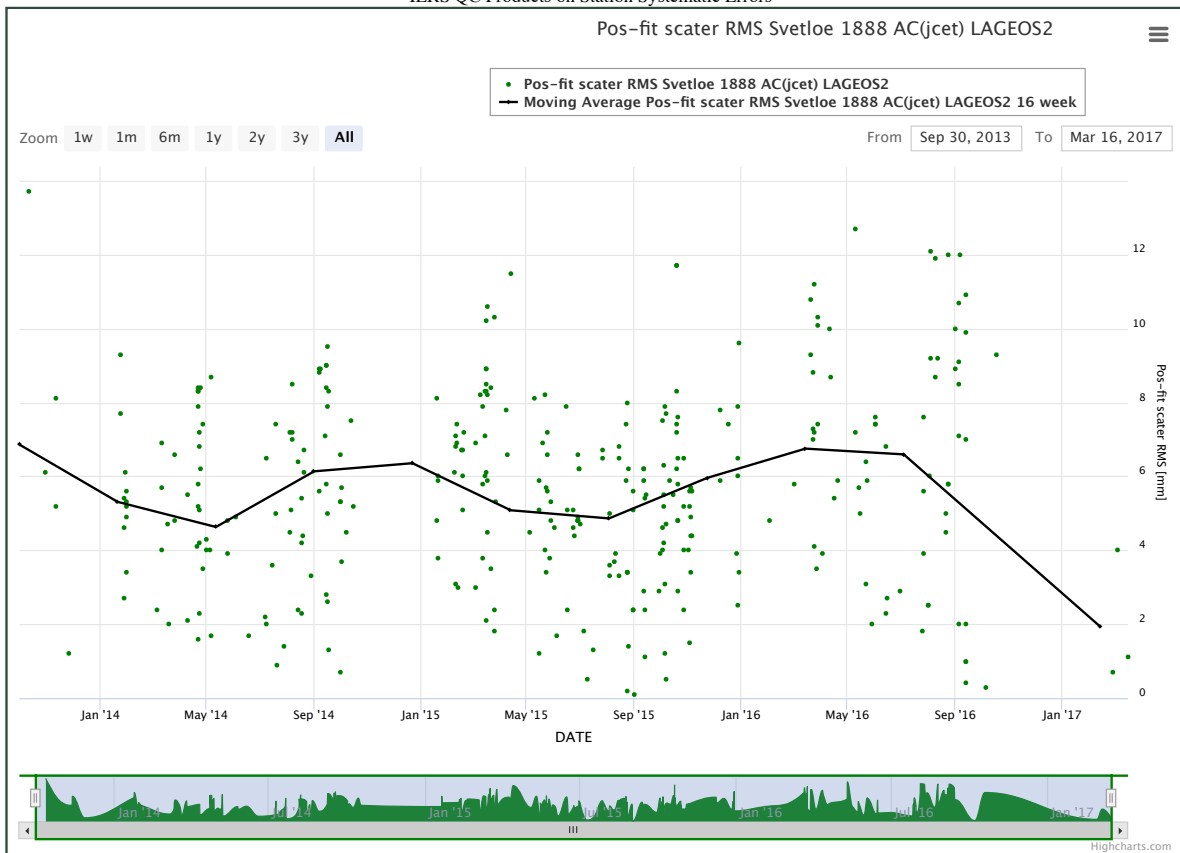


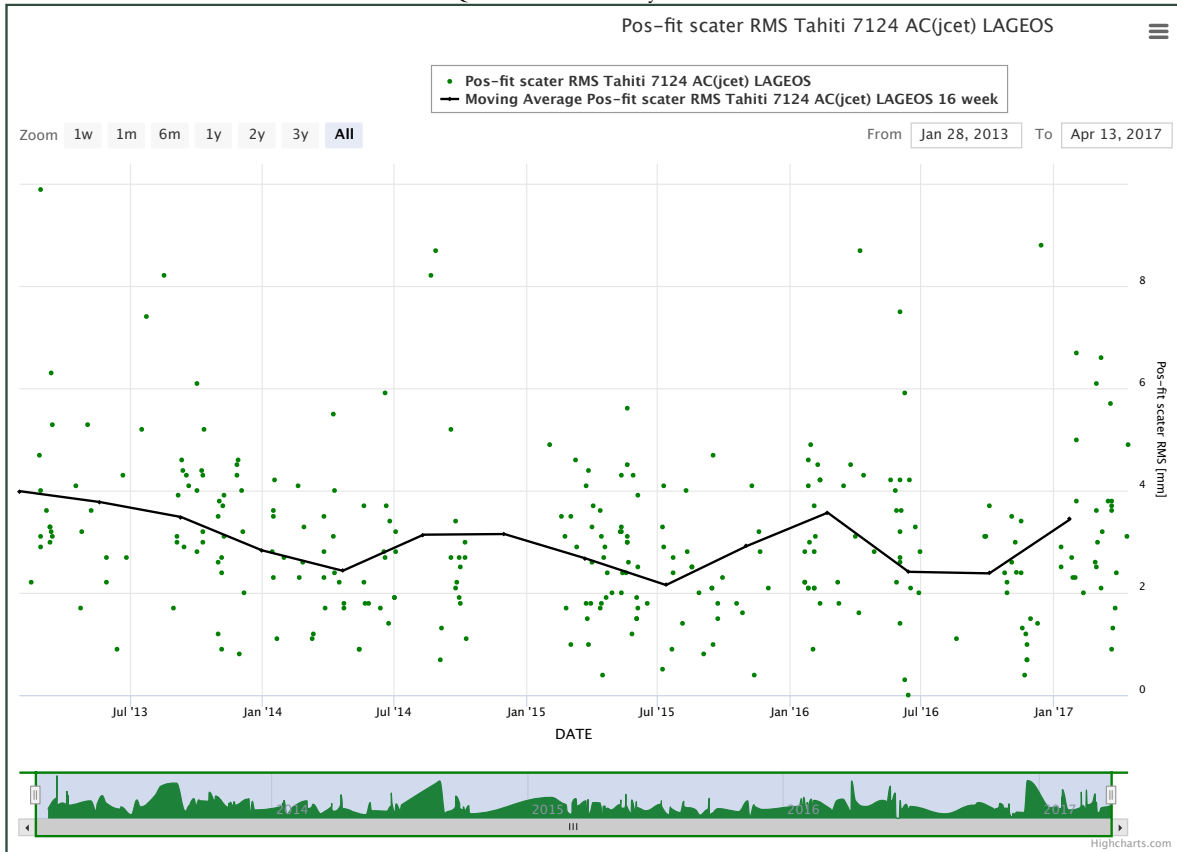
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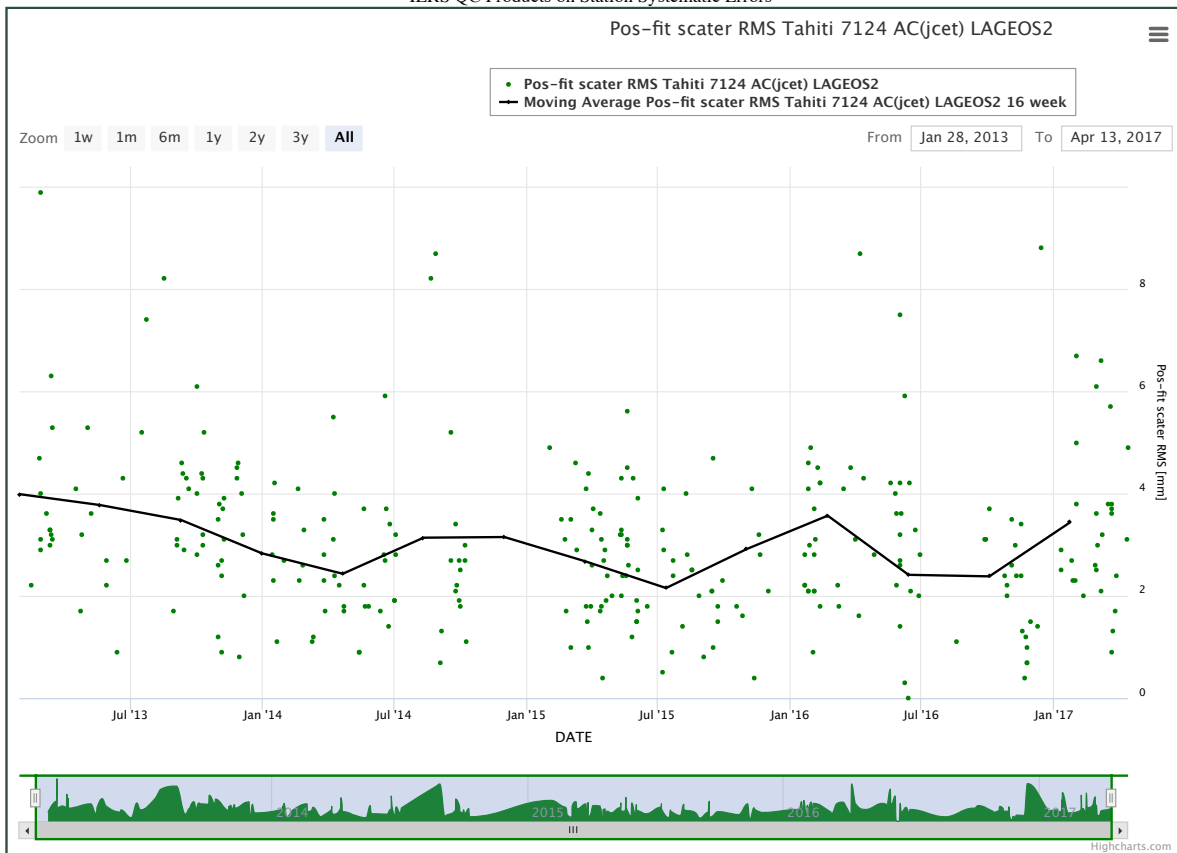


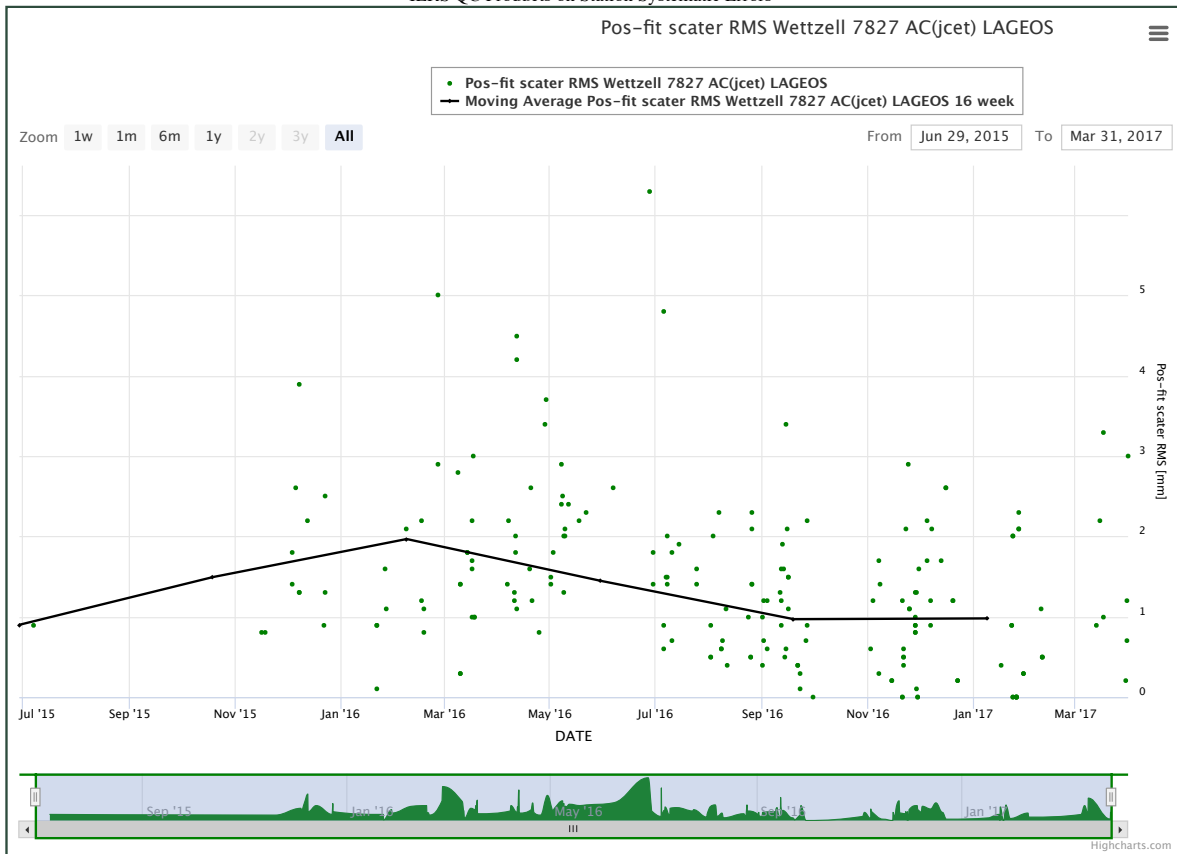
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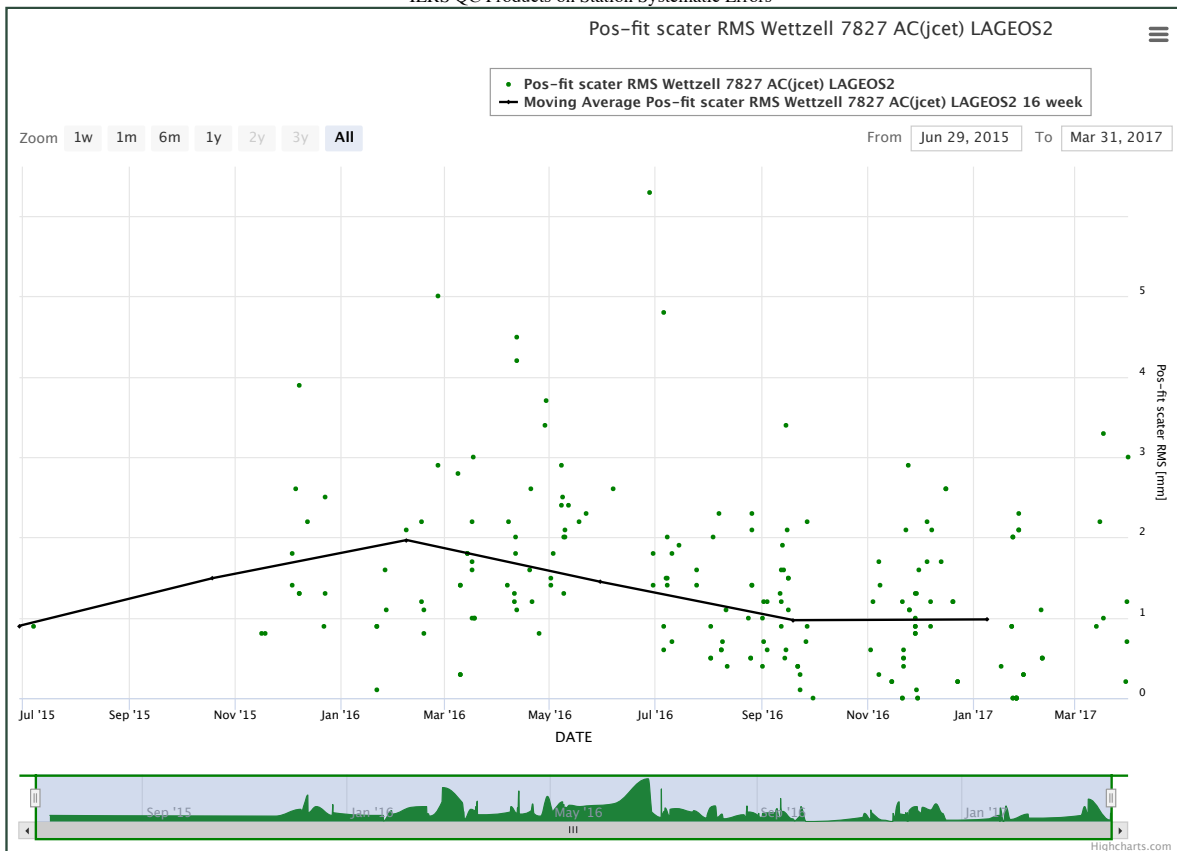


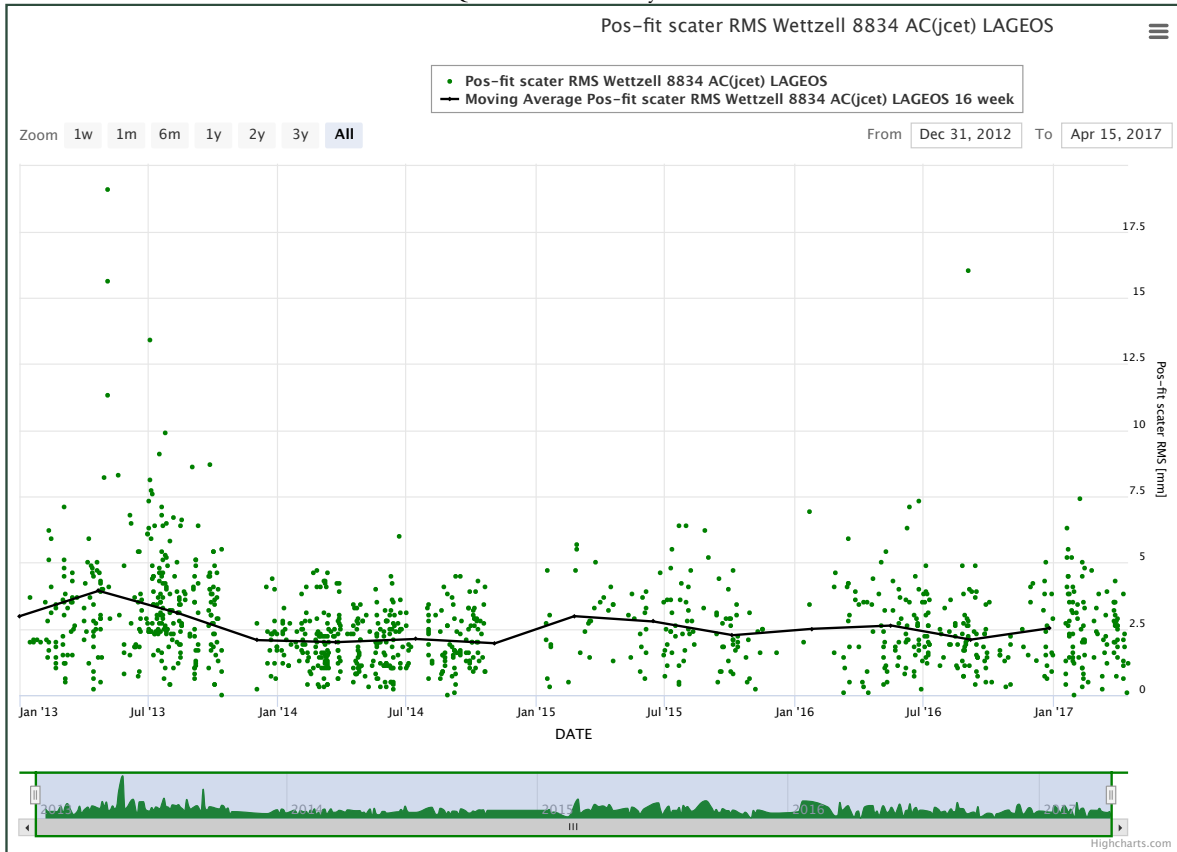
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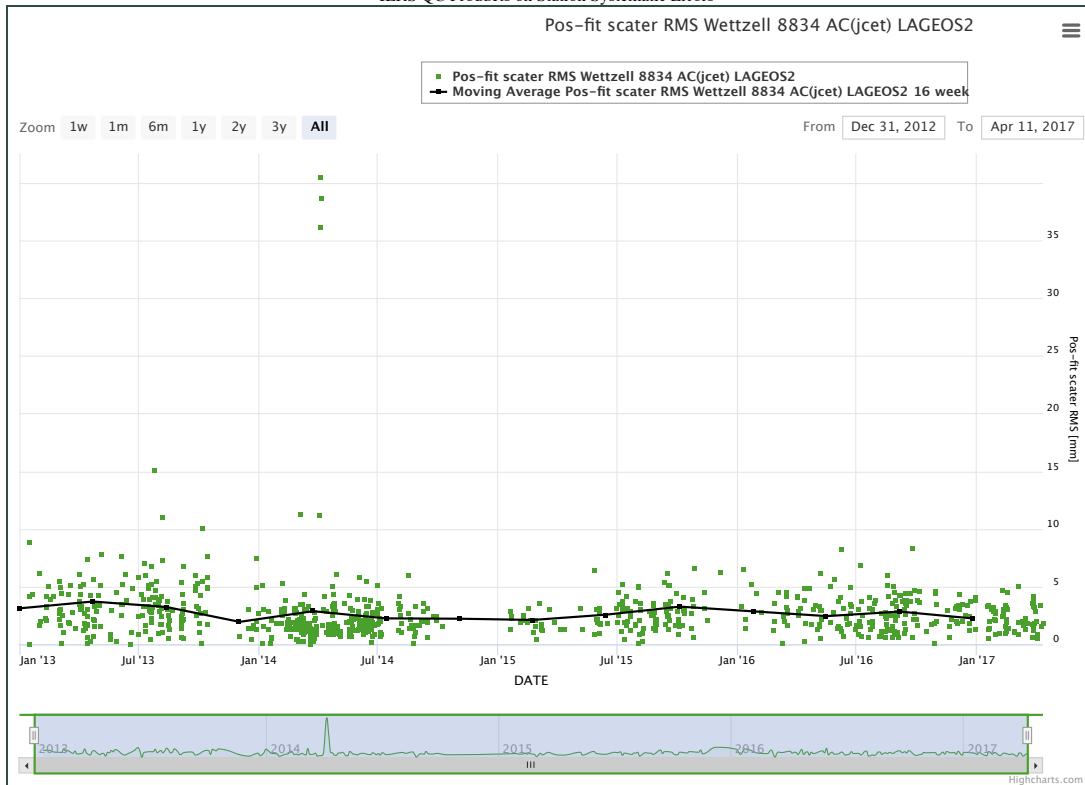


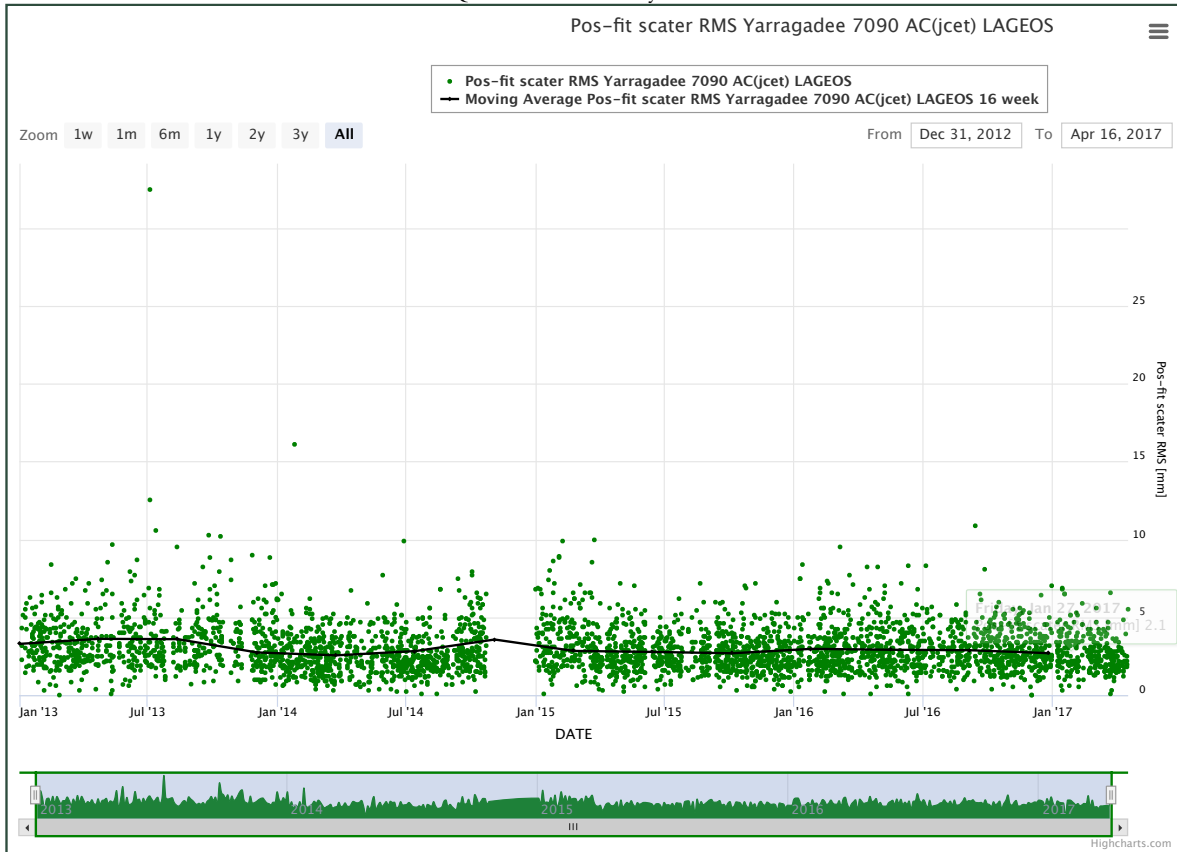


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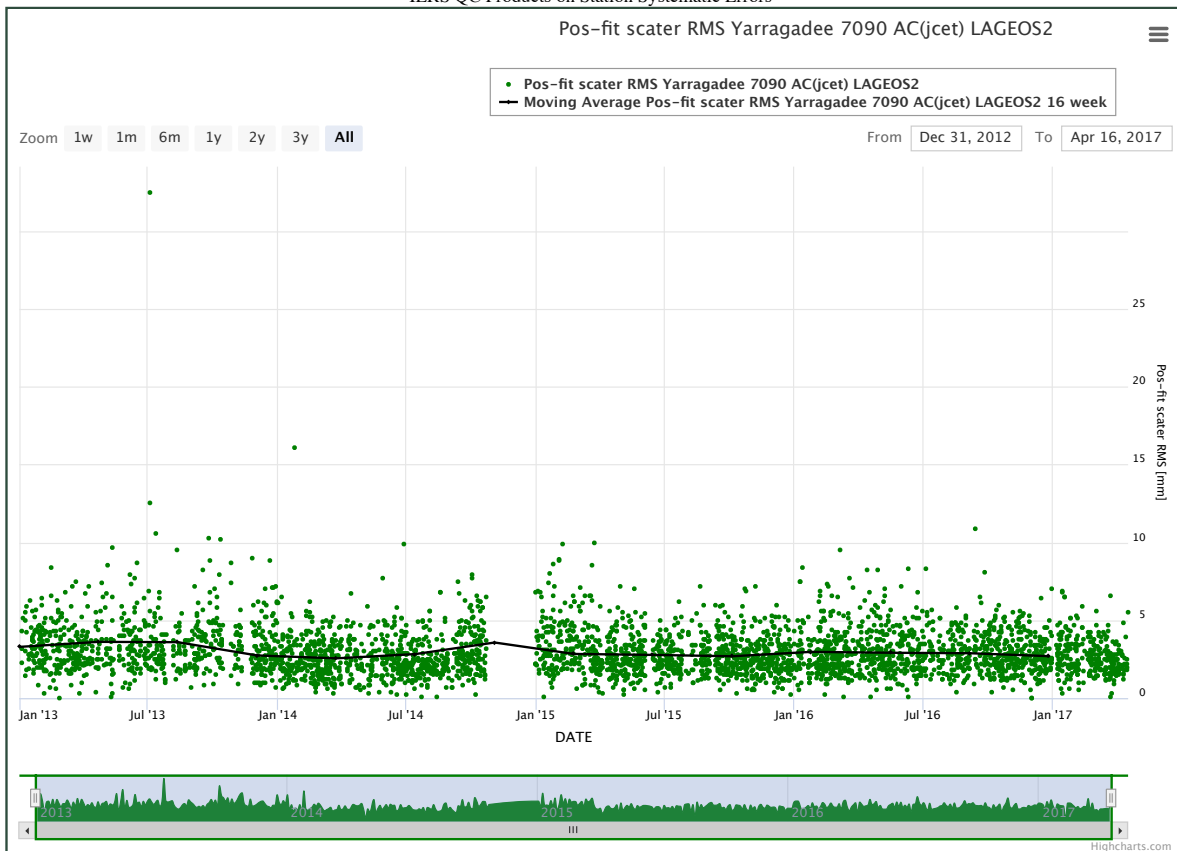
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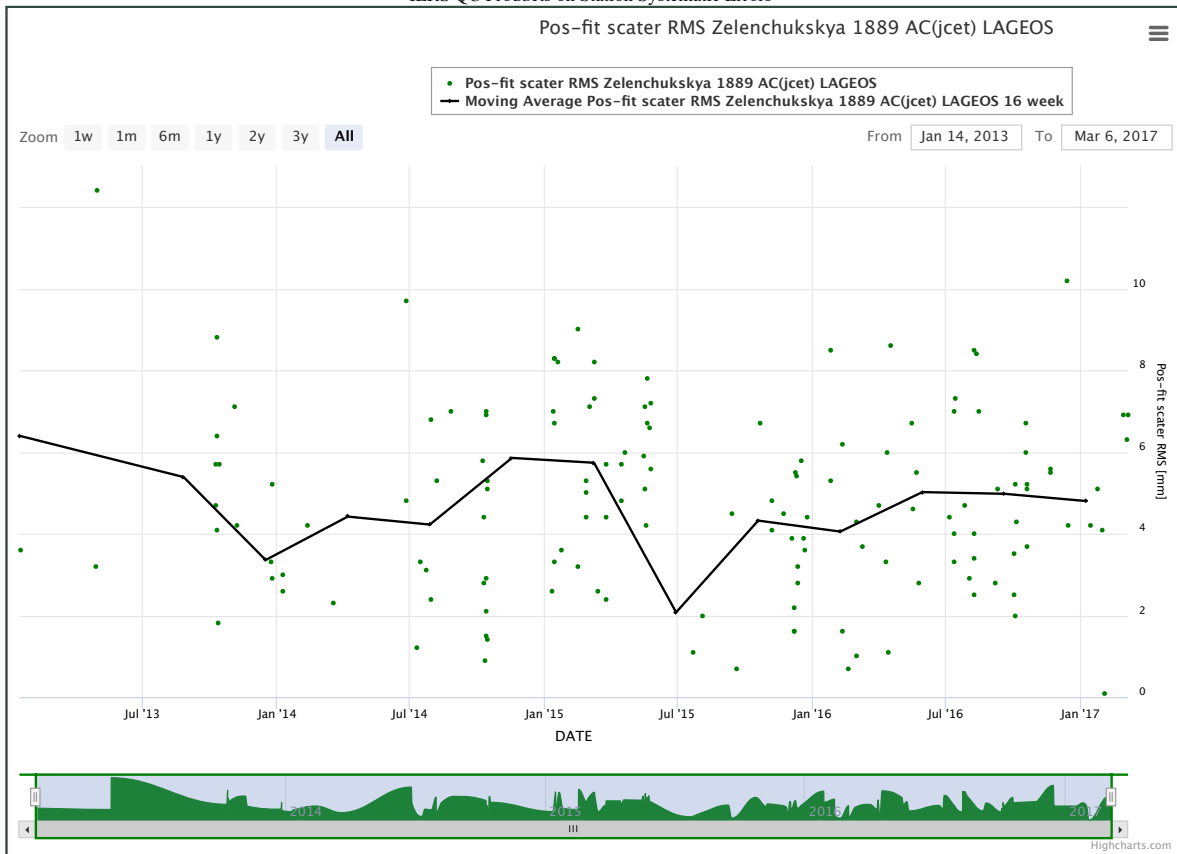
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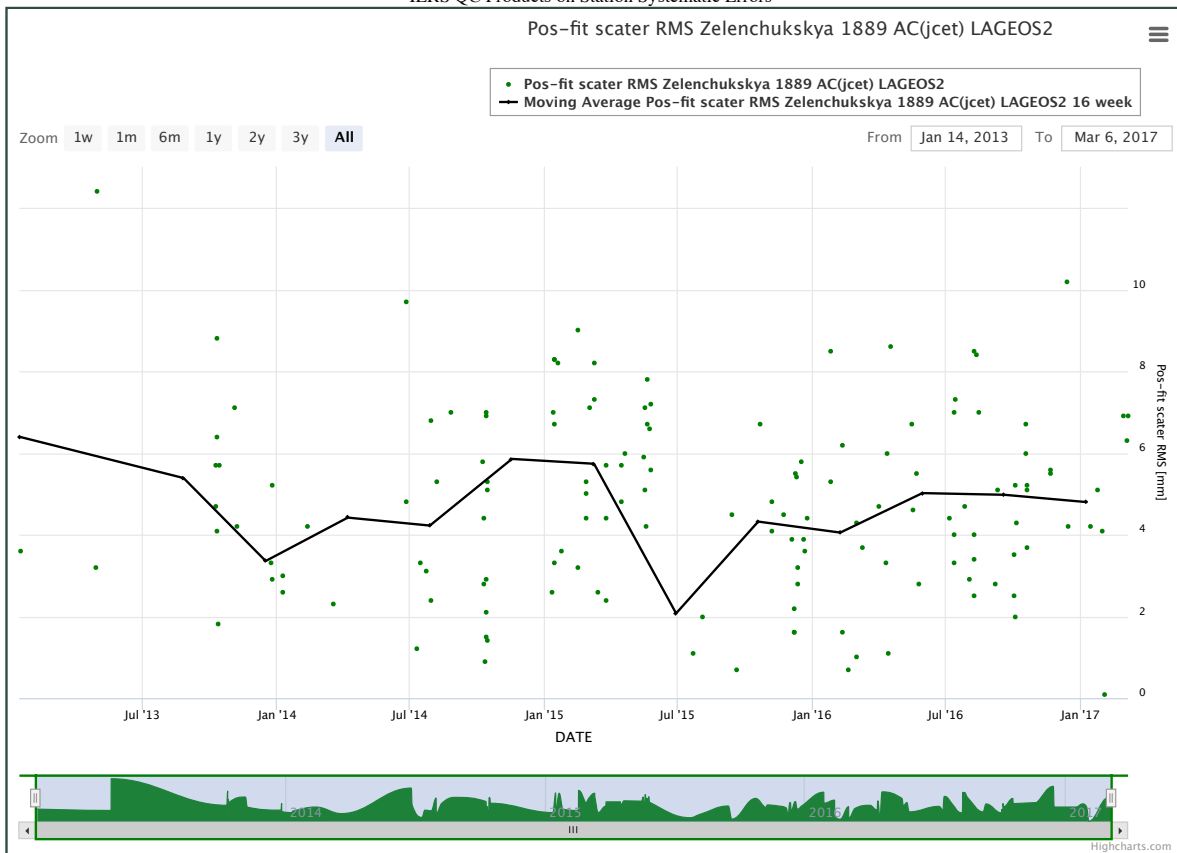


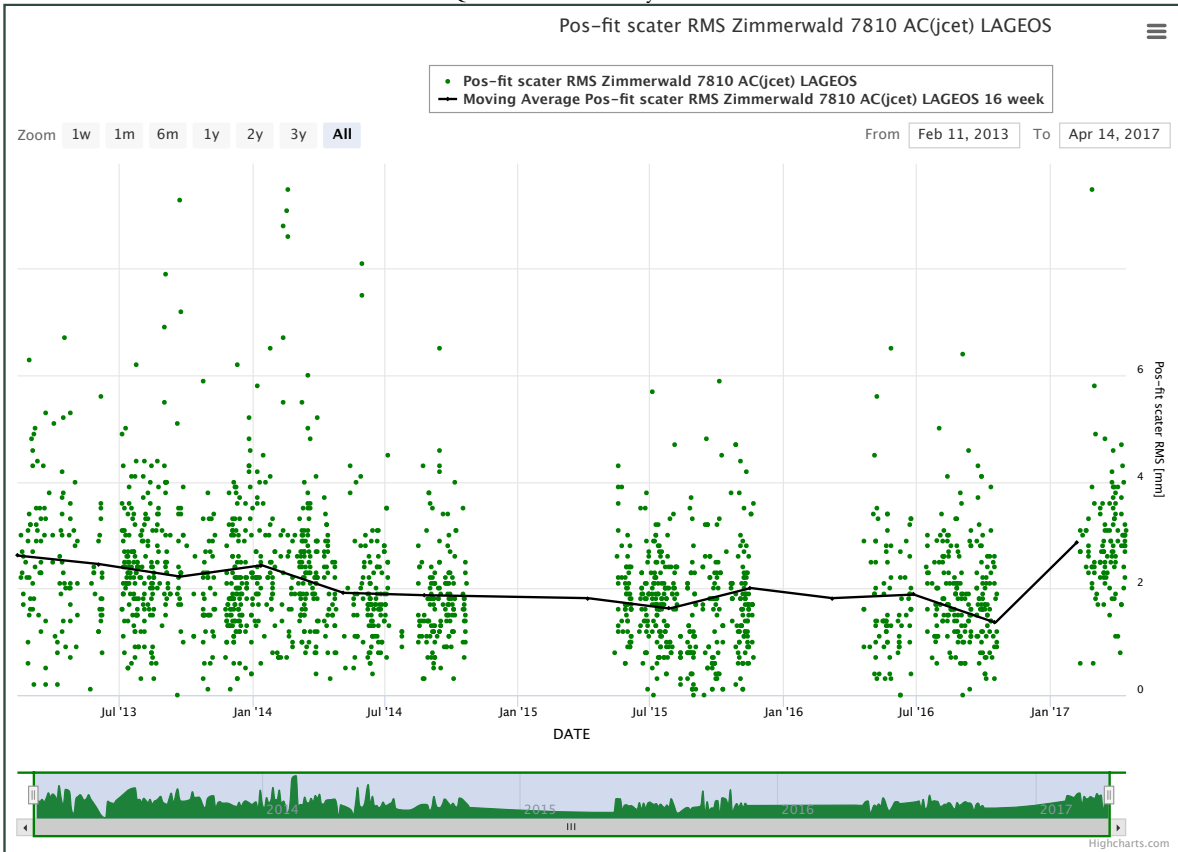
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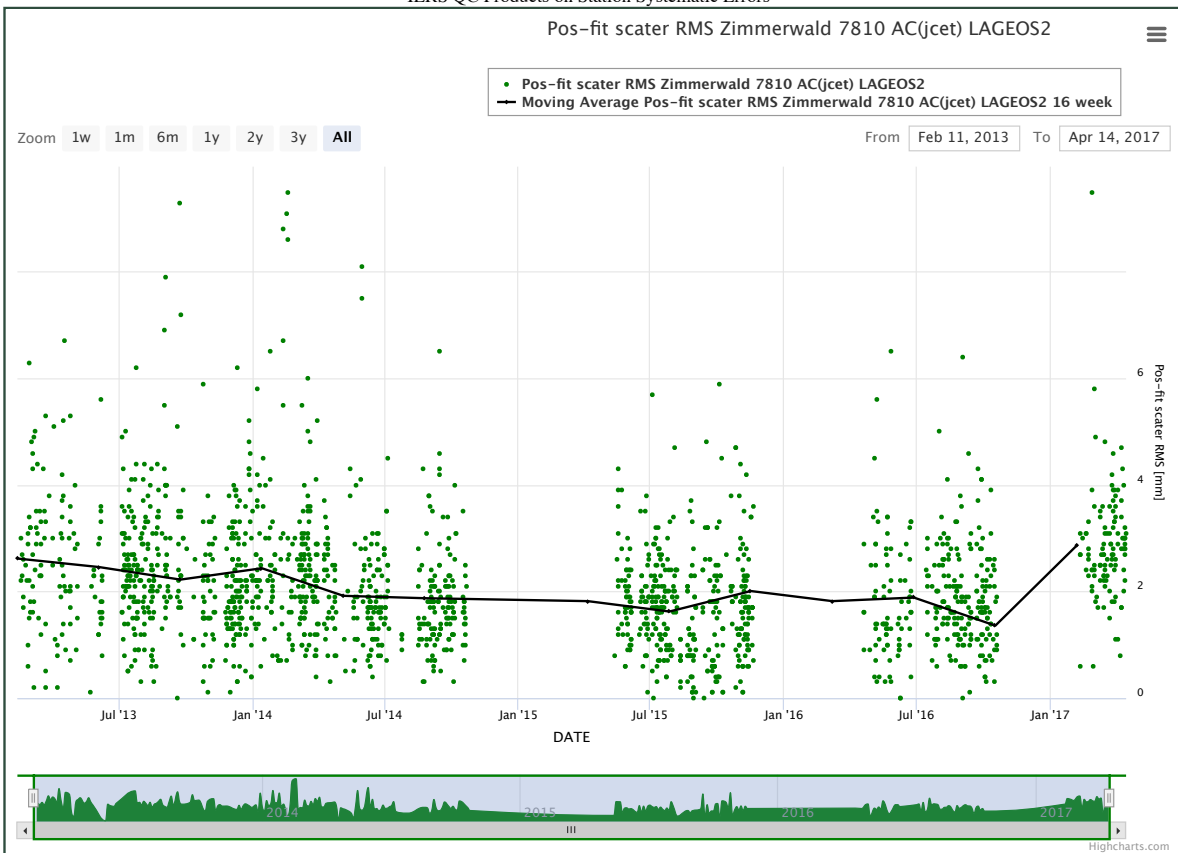


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# ZIMMERWALD 7810







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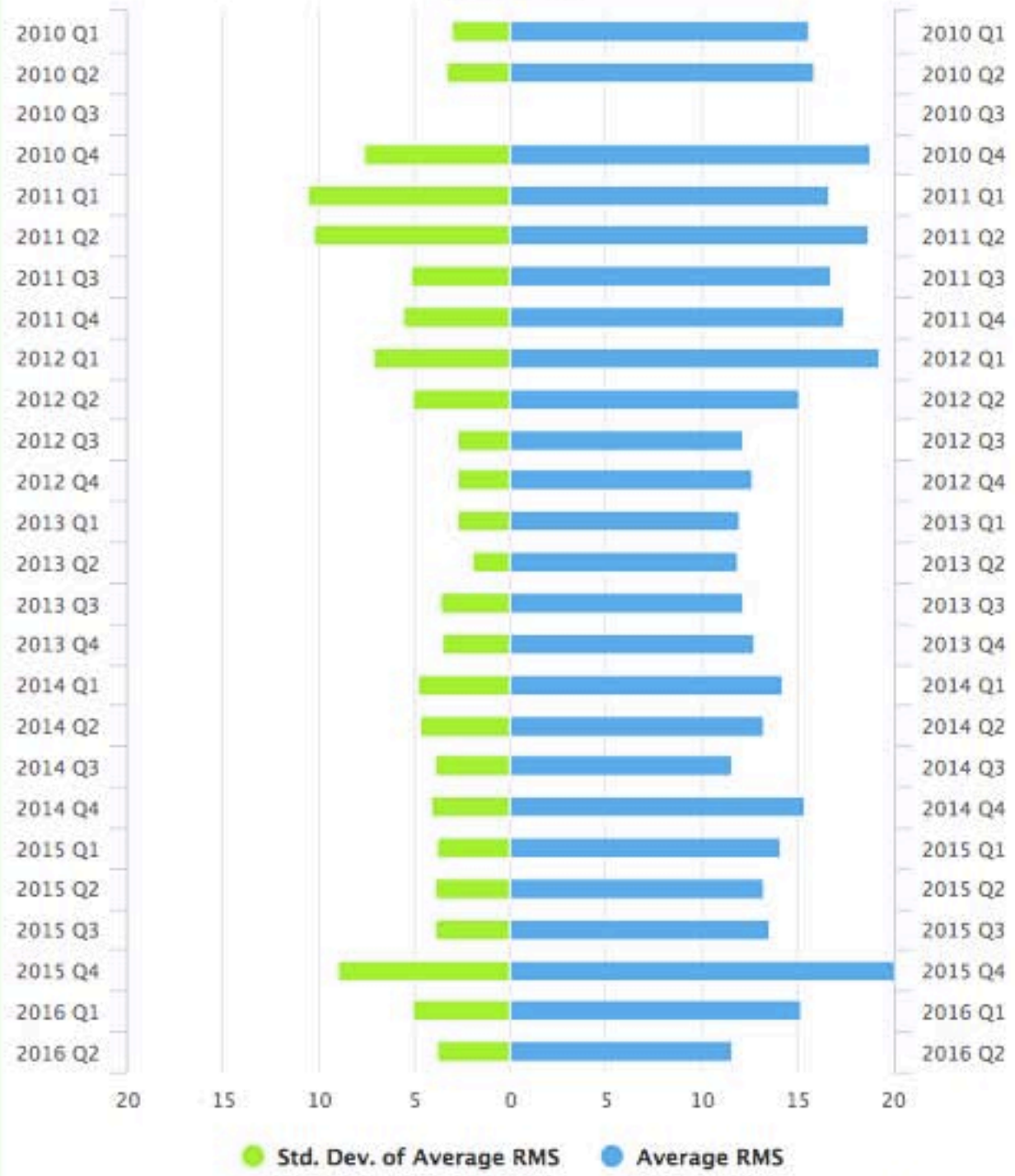


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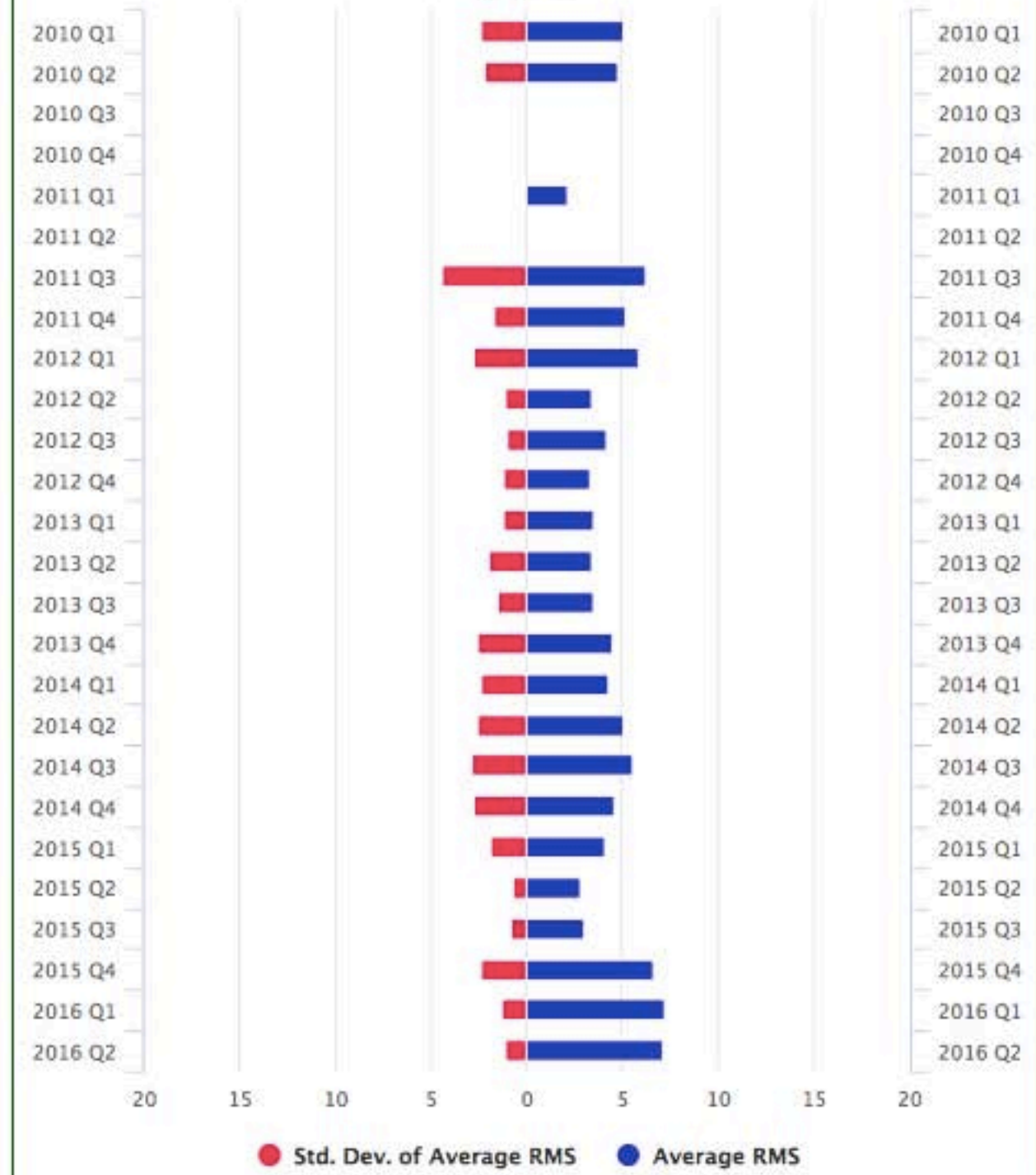


# Greenbelt 7105

## Short-term Average RMS (3-months)



## Long-term Average RMS (1-year)



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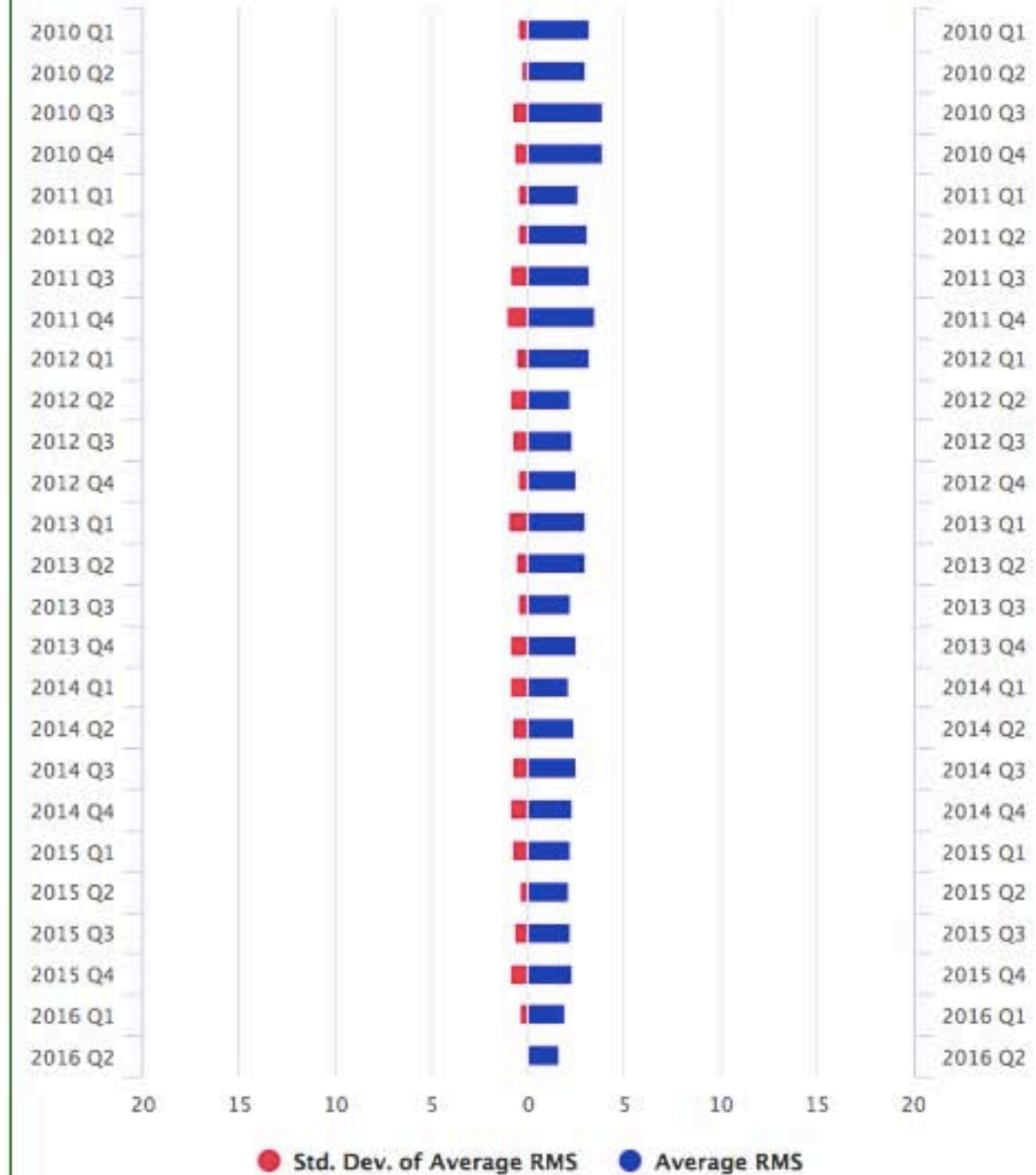
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## Short-term Average RMS (3-months)



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# Gateway to the Earth

## ILRS NSGF report ILRS ASC meeting Vienna 2017

Graham Appleby, José Rodríguez

# NSGF AC

- New CoM correction tables and Fortran subroutine released (LAGEOS, Etalon, LARES, Ajisai, Starlette, Stella): [http://ilrs.dgfi.tum.de/fileadmin/data\\_handling/](http://ilrs.dgfi.tum.de/fileadmin/data_handling/)  
(no format changes, no model changes)
- Implementation of gravity field estimation done
- Implemented DTRF2014 for IERS TN (how to use it?)
- Switch to ITRF2014-like branch for operational product not done yet
- Chasing LoD estimation problems: WIP

# RB PP

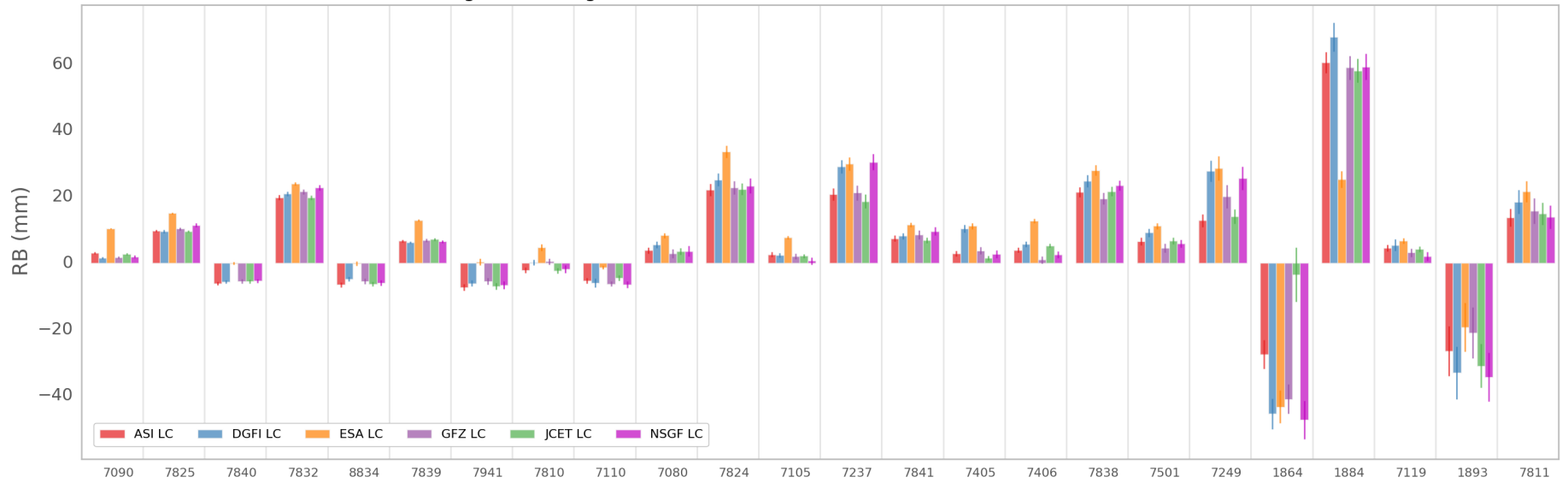
- Coding laser wavelength in SOLN field of SINEX files not done yet
- Run some comparisons with updated and newly delivered PP RB solutions
- Some formatting problems found in a few GFZ files

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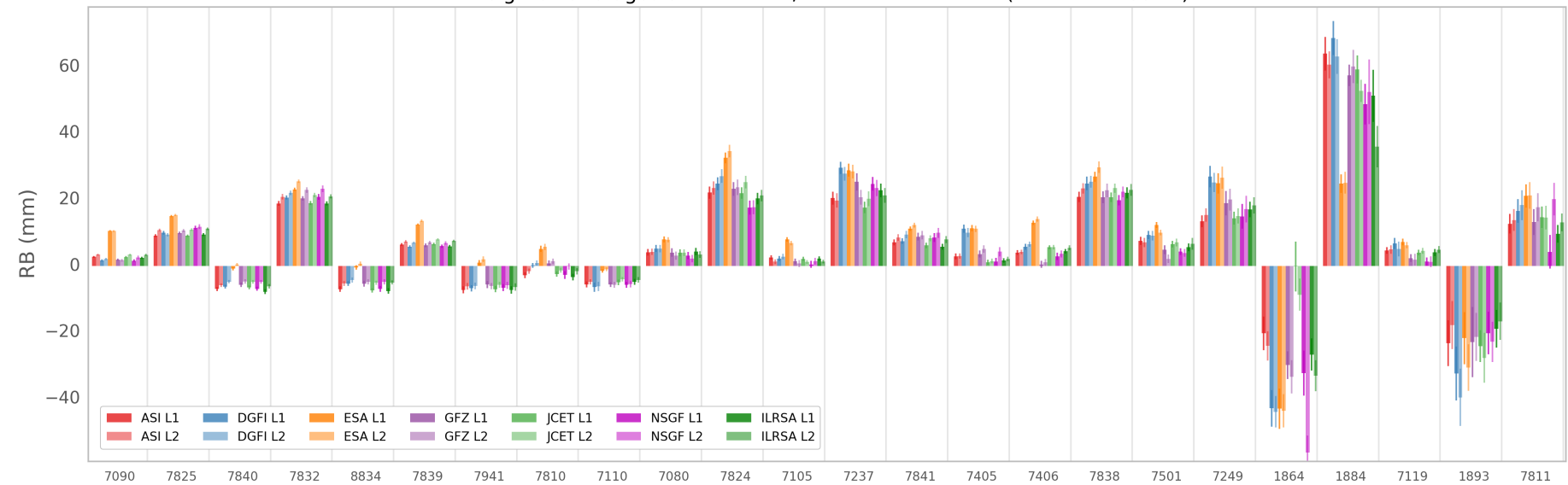
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73 RBIAS 7249 LC 1 m 2 72496101 +2.16247359646090e-01 2.98527e-02
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- Previous findings regarding overall inter-AC agreement in per station RB, scale change magnitude and direction maintained
- ...although some ACs are more equal than others

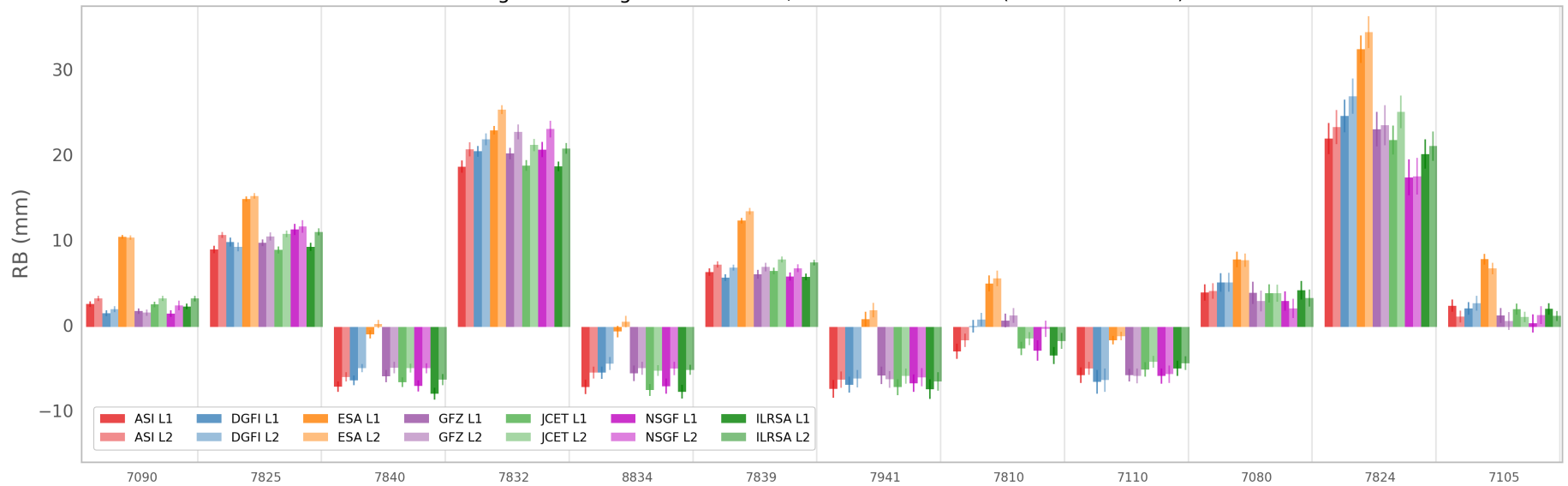
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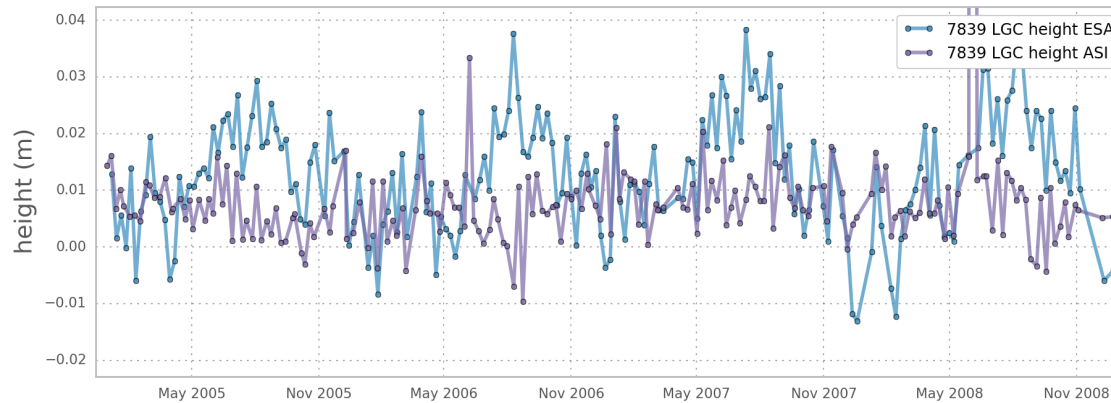
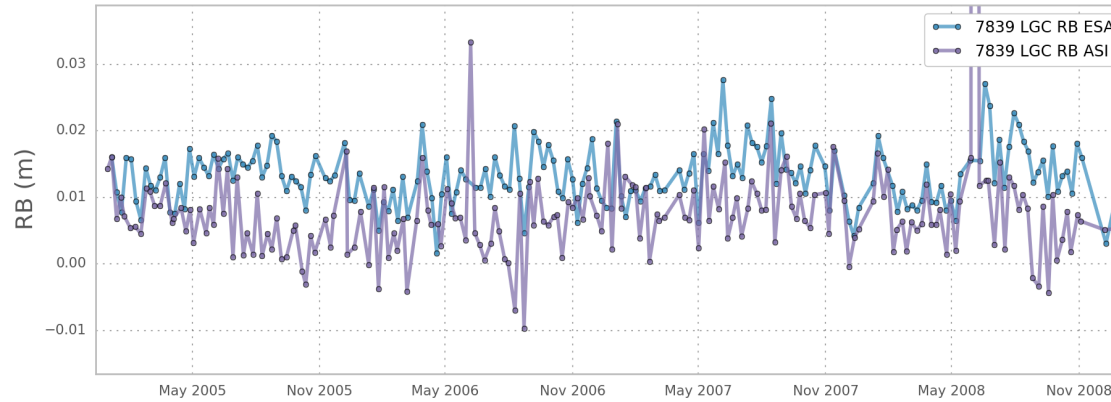


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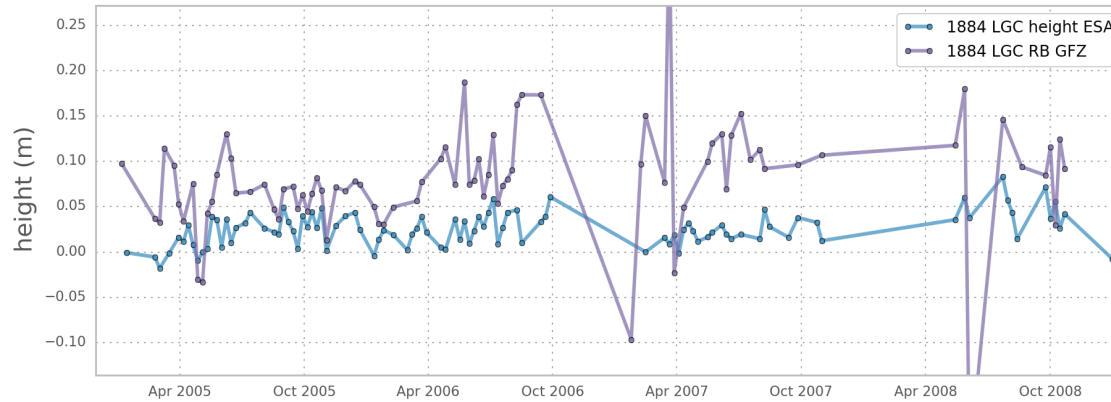
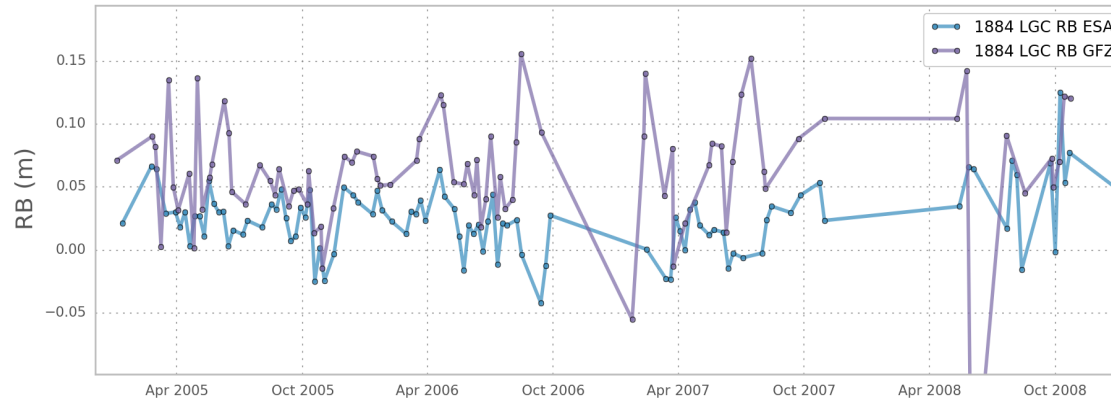


- CC solution contains, for some stations, a few arcs with unusually small SE
- Of all solutions available so far, ESA appears to stand out from the rest in quite a few cases

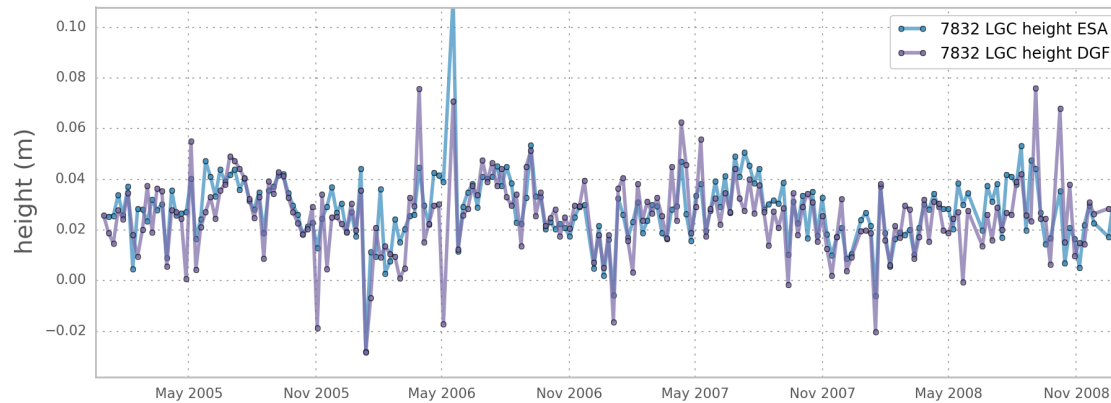
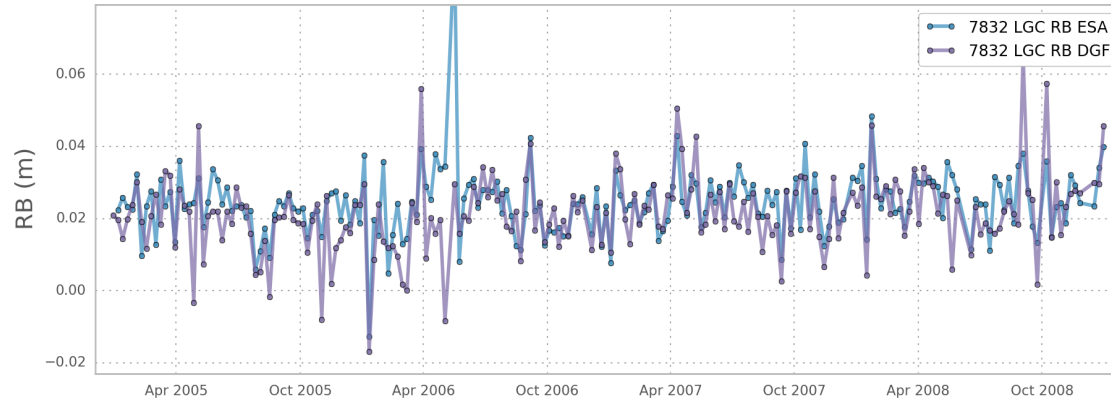




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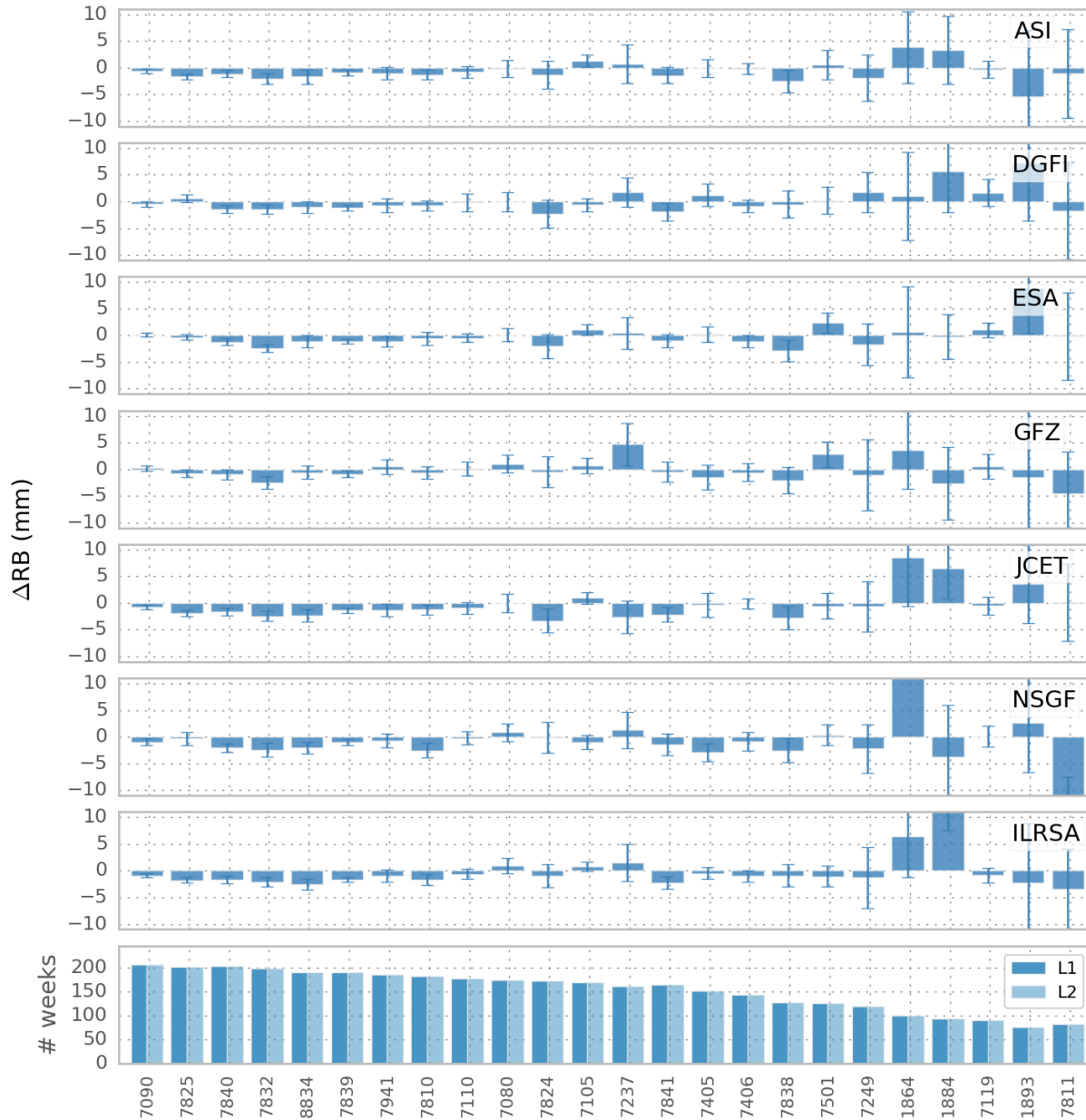


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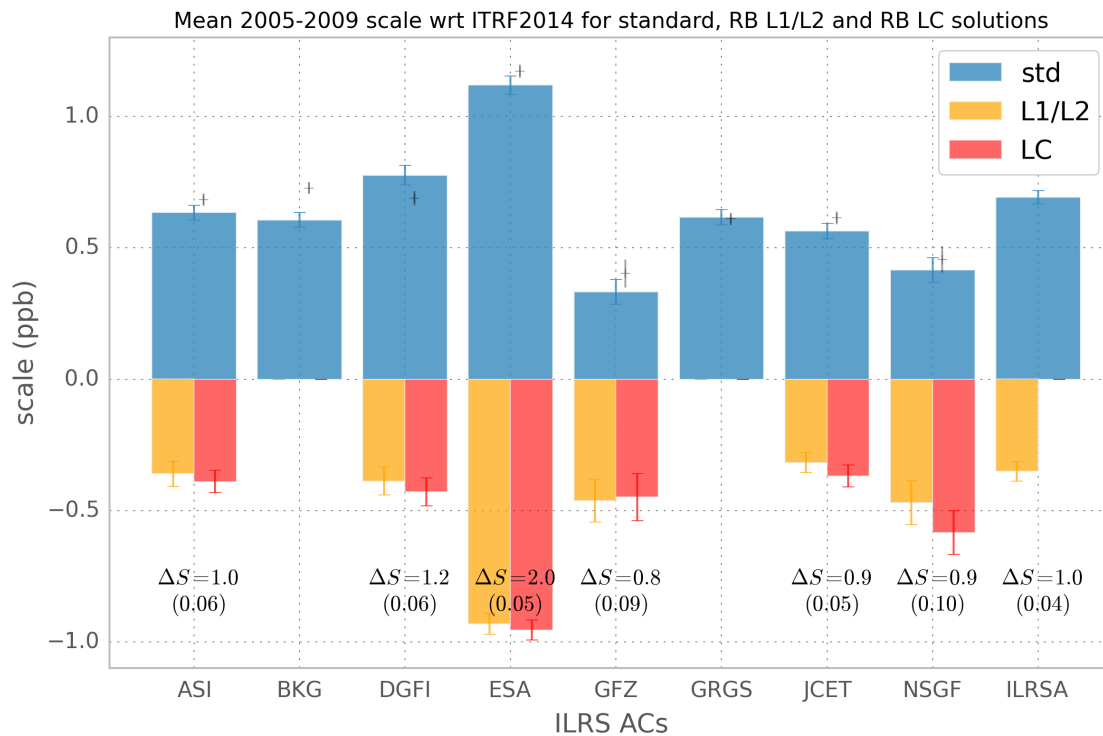


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- This impacts station heights in the expected way
- No obvious underlying pattern

### 4-years average RB difference (L1 - L2)



Differences between L1 and L2 RB are not significant (mostly)



1 ppb difference between standard and RB solutions

*(on average for 2005 - 2009)*

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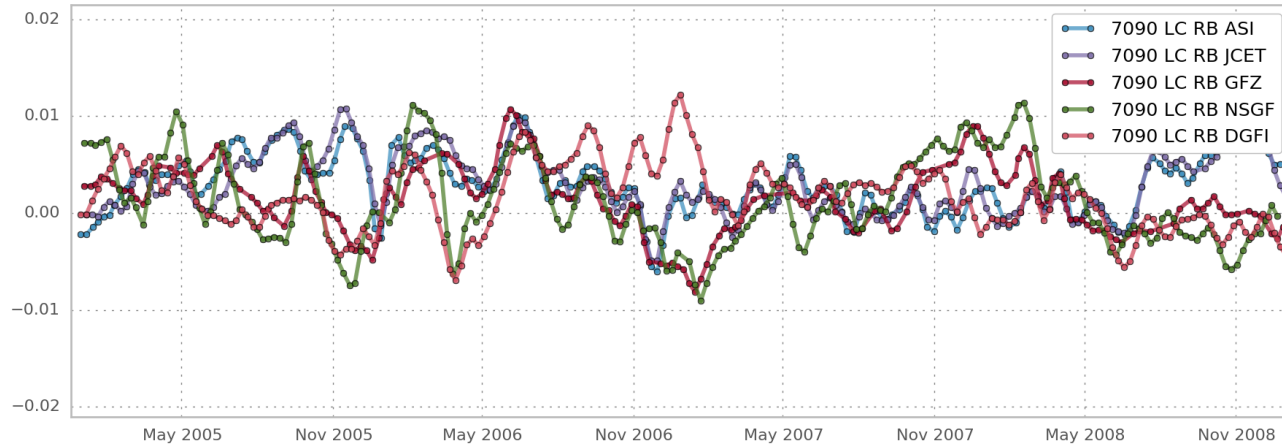




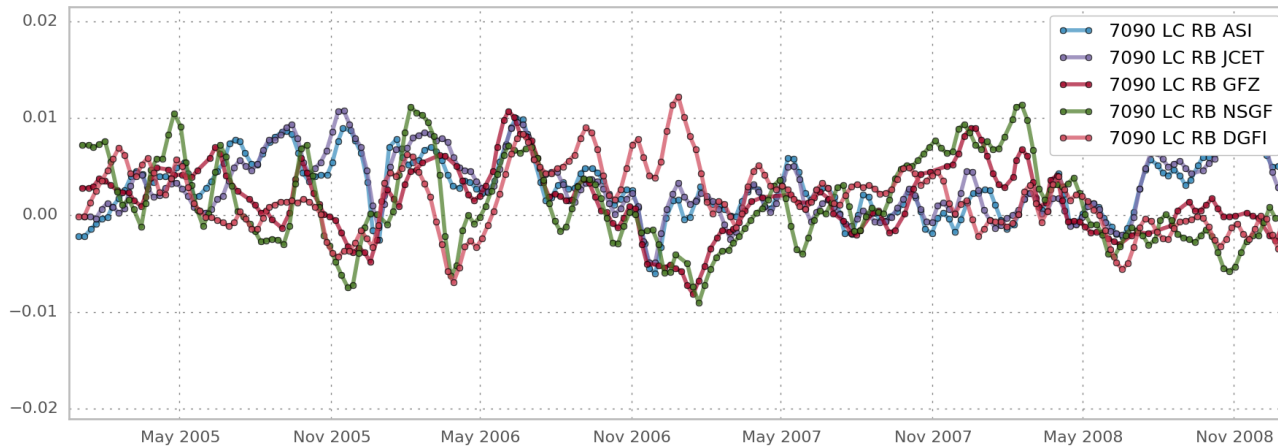
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- Noticeable differences between AC solutions at time scales of several months
- Hints of different groups of solutions (ASI/JCET, GFZ/NSGF, DGFI)
- Re-introducing RB estimates from external solutions will degrade results (and it appears to us to be a rather questionable approach)
- CC best option for 3<sup>rd</sup> party users (e.g. altimetry community)

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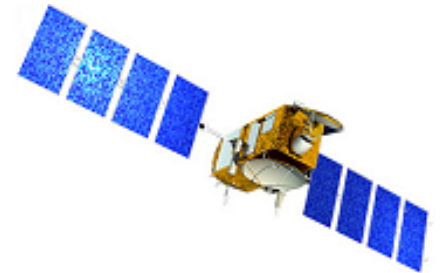
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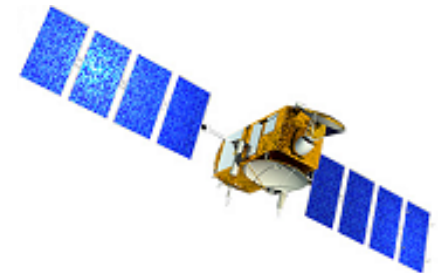
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# Time transfer (T2L2) between SLR stations: Applications to space geodesy

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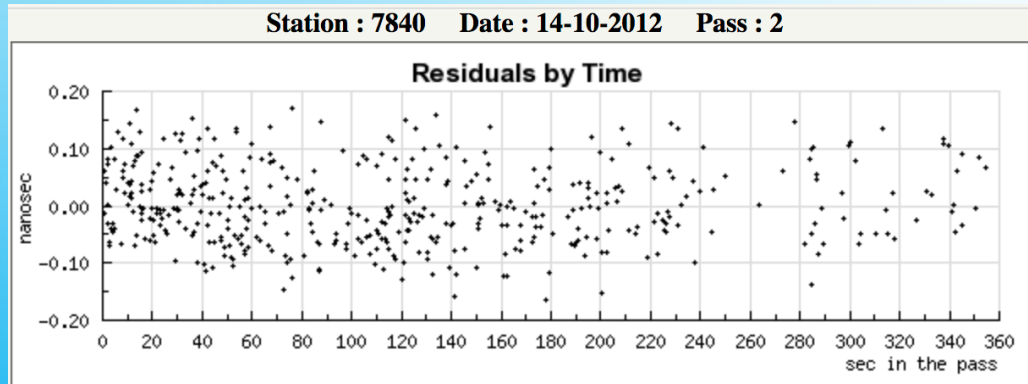
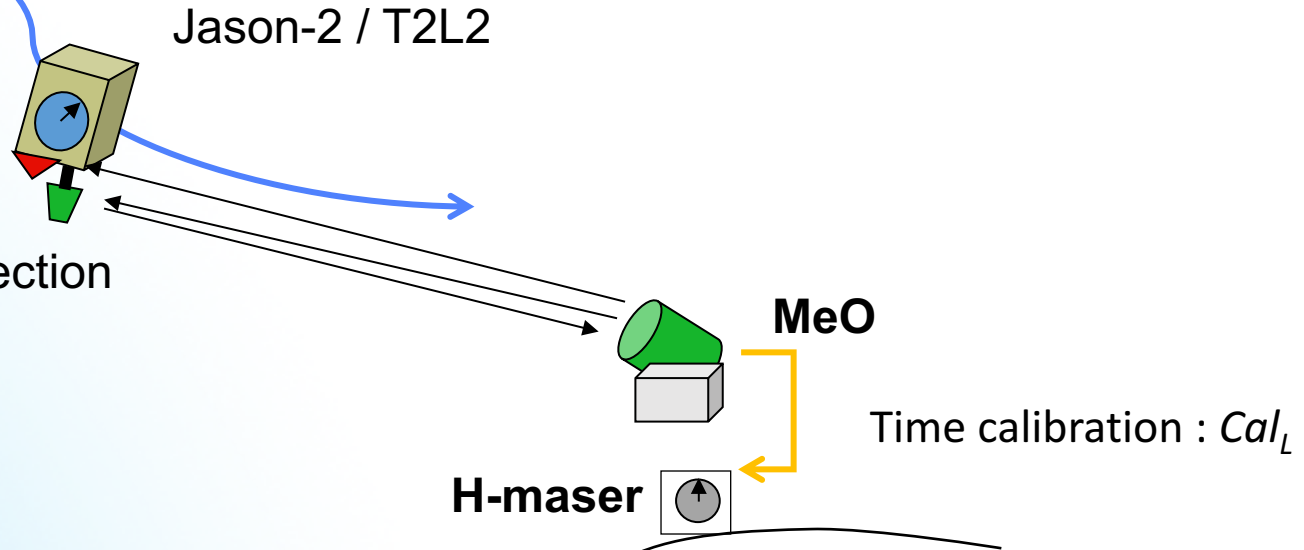
- T2L2/Jason-2: launched in June 2008 (for 2 yrs):
  - Instrument: built in OCA; continued for 6 yrs
  - Organisation: ILRS network // CNES <-J2 mission-> OCA, daily operations
  - Objectives:
    - ◆ Metrological (performance, comparison with other techniques)
    - ◆ Scientific (space geodesy and fundamental physics)
    - ◆ Modeling of the DORIS oscillator (Jason-2 →... Jason-3)
- Time transfer between SLRs
  - Consequences on space geodesy (LAGEOS and Jason)
  - Interest for the international service (ILRS -> ITRF)



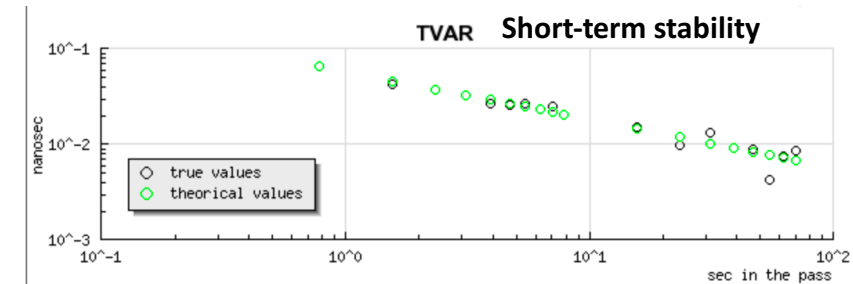
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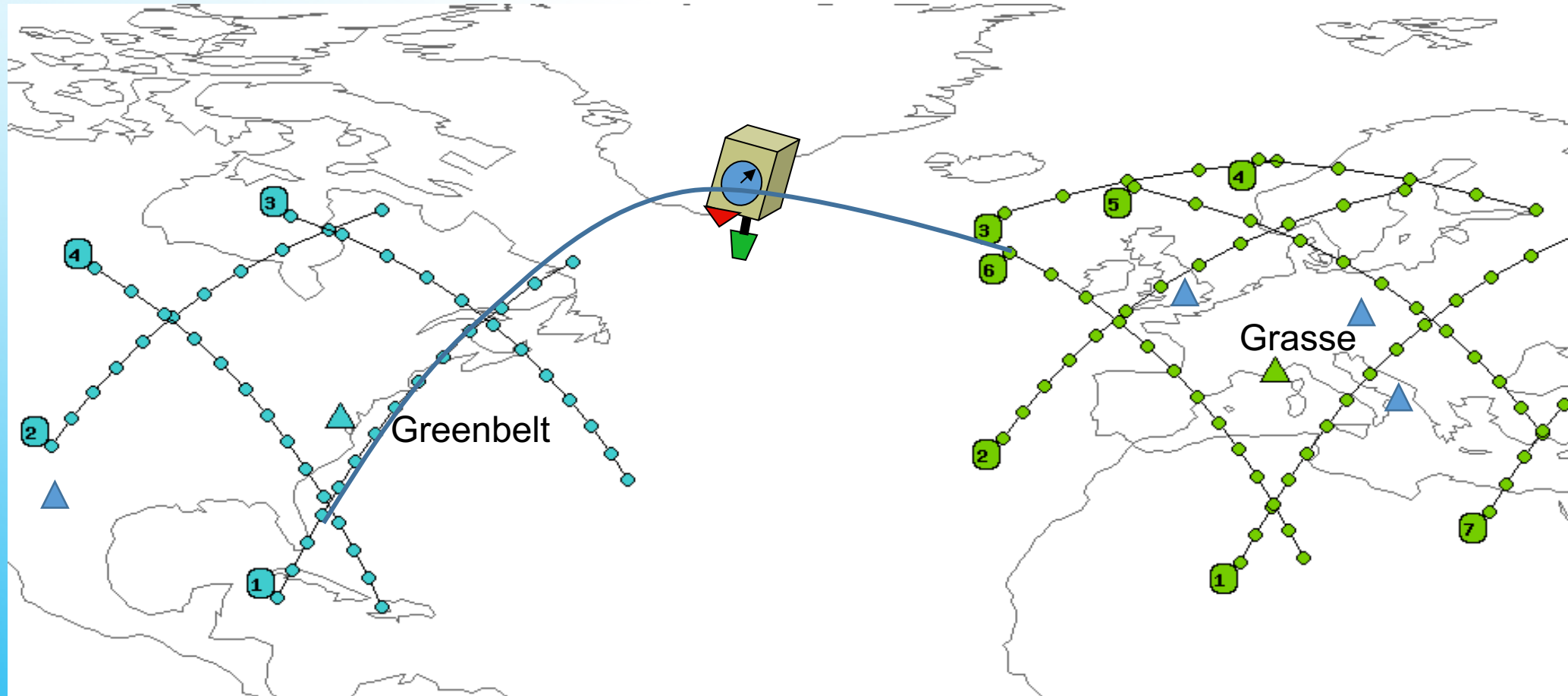
$dt^{1wa}$  is computed from  $dt^{2w}$  & Sagnac correction

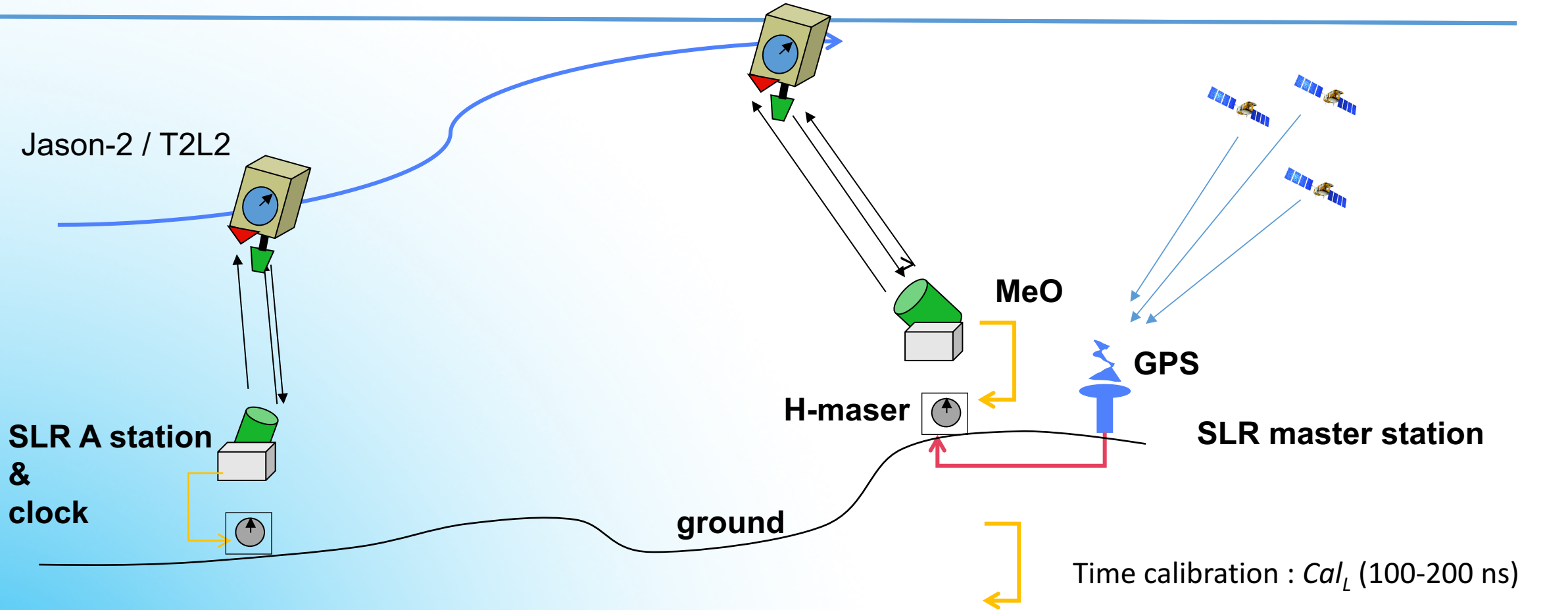
$$gsTT = t^B - (t_e^G + dt^{1wa}) + correct.$$



ground



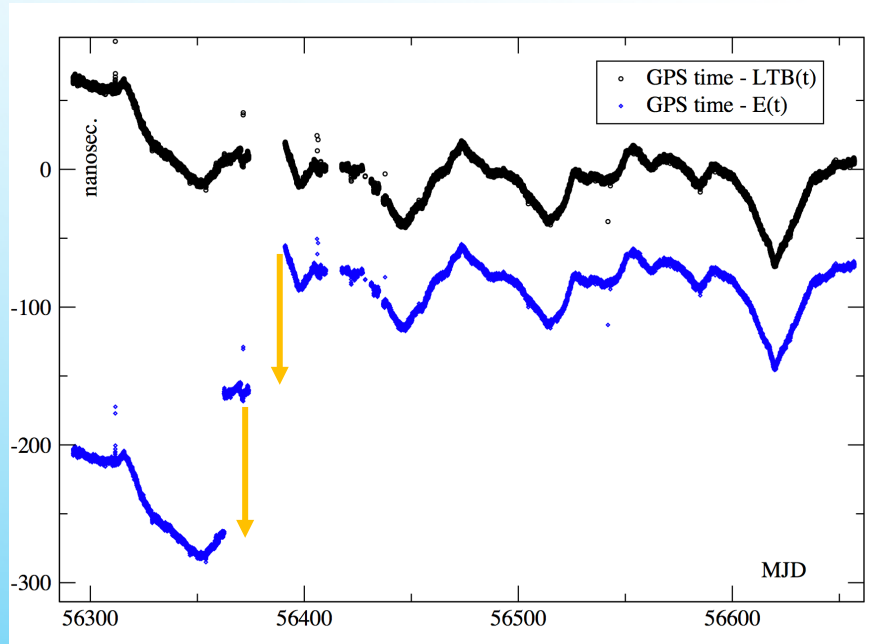




$$gsTT(A) = \tau(A)^B - (t(A)^G_e + dt_{A^{1wa}}) + correct$$

$$gsTT(M) = \tau(M)^B - (t(M)^G_e + dt_{M^{1wa}}) + correct$$

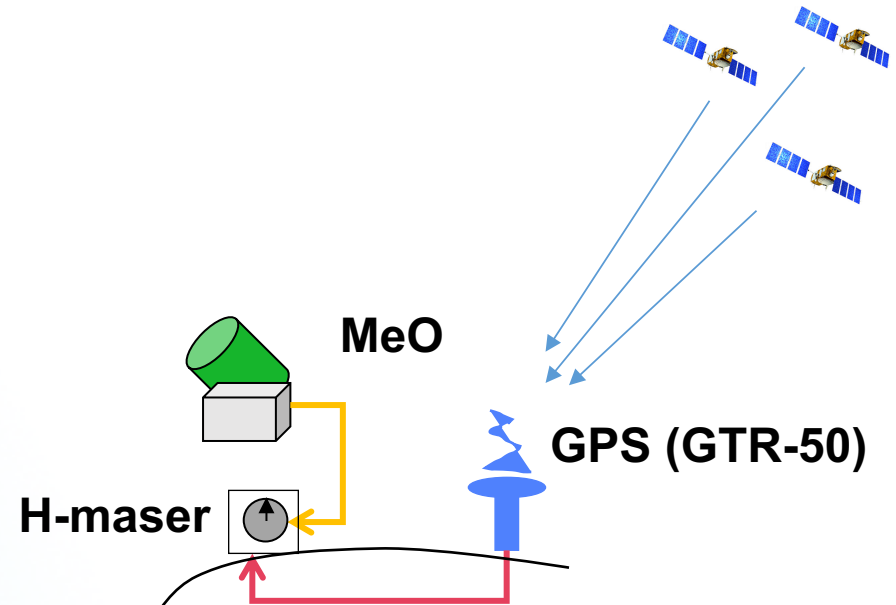
$$\tau(A)^B - \tau(M)^B = \text{INT}(d v / v_0) d\tau \Rightarrow t(A)^G_e - t(M)^G_e$$



ground

$$LTB(t) = STC(t) + Cal_G + Zph(t)$$

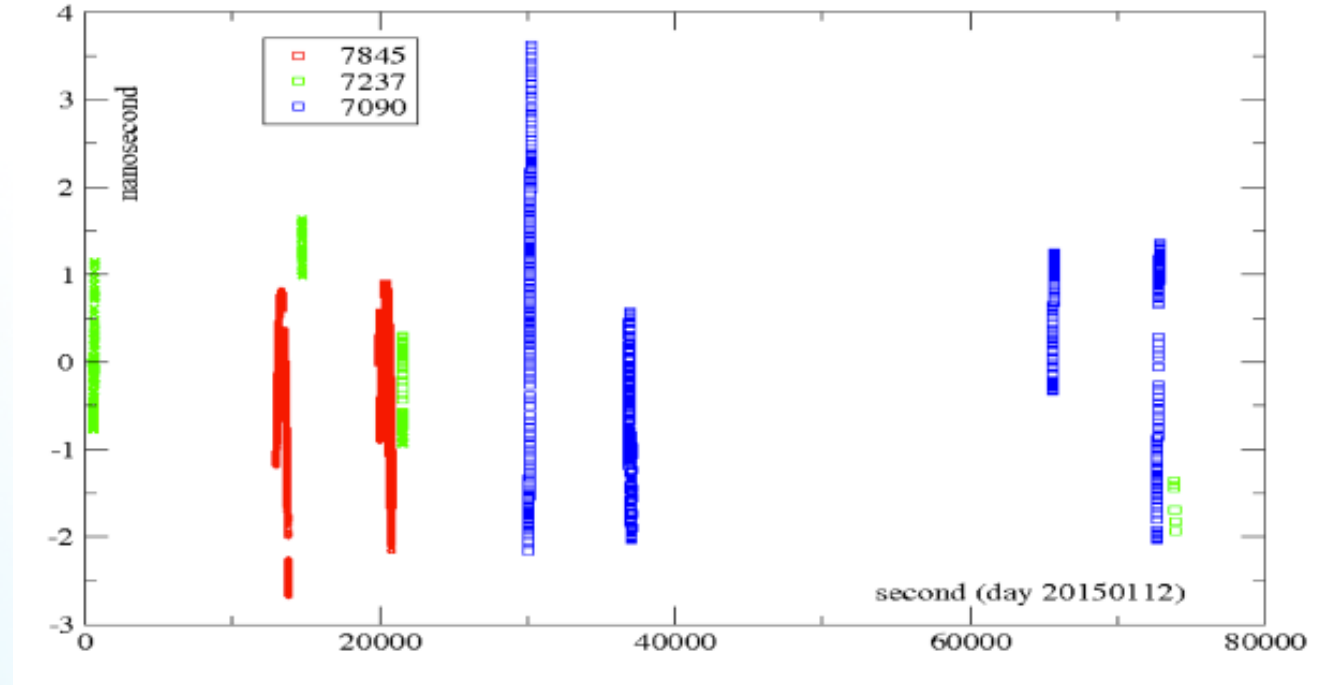
$$t(x)_e^G = LTB(t) + Cal_L$$



Time calibration :  $Cal_L$  (100-200 ns)

Ground link -> time server (GPS time)  
 $Cal_G + [distribution\ timing\ signal]$

November, 5 2013 : nCV 2h (03:00 →)				
Station, P	nb data	$\Delta$ sec	TB	$\sigma$
7845, 2	742	0	-73.13	0.03
7845, 3	624	7004	-73.14	0.05
7941, 1	271	7503	234.08	0.35
7110, 1	322	-1337	393.36	2.27
7110, 2	453	5441	382.83	1.57
7501, 1	48	8713	-3986.59	0.47
nCV 4h (01:00 →)				
7845, 1	225	0	-73.14	0.03
7845, 2	742	6963	-73.02	0.06
7845, 3	624	13967	-73.15	0.22
7941, 1	271	14466	234.12	0.36
7110, 1	322	5625	393.43	2.28
7110, 2	453	12404	382.78	1.57
7403, 1	34	-1728	193.86	0.08
7501, 1	48	15676	-3986.24	0.48

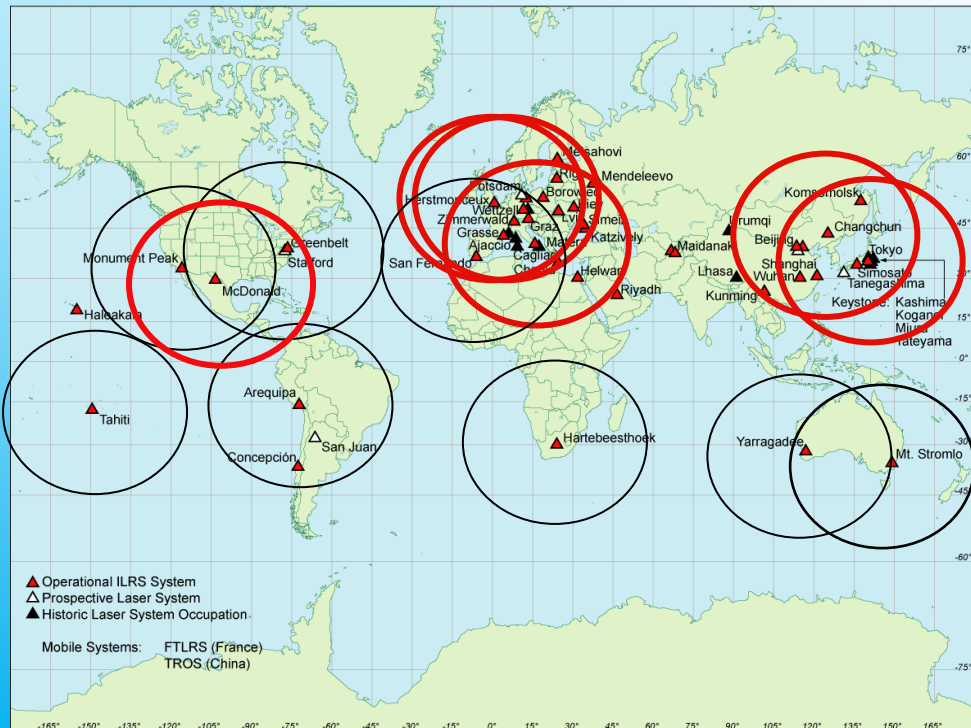


$$t(x)^G_e = STC(t) + TB(t)$$

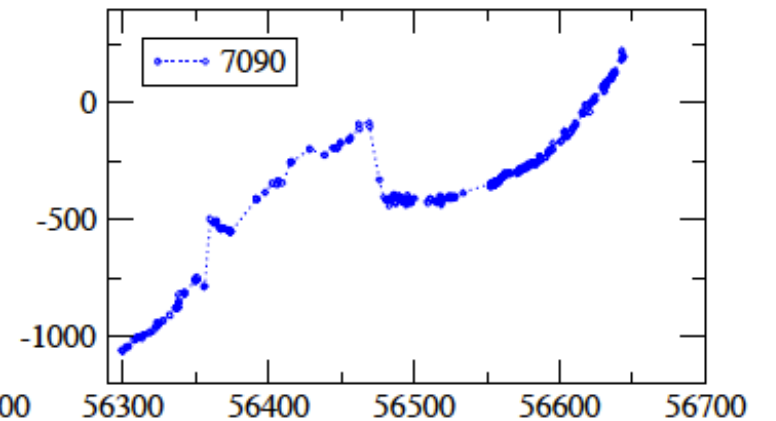
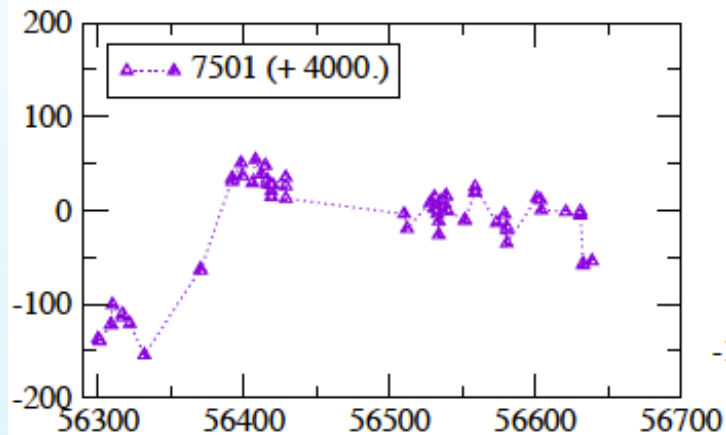
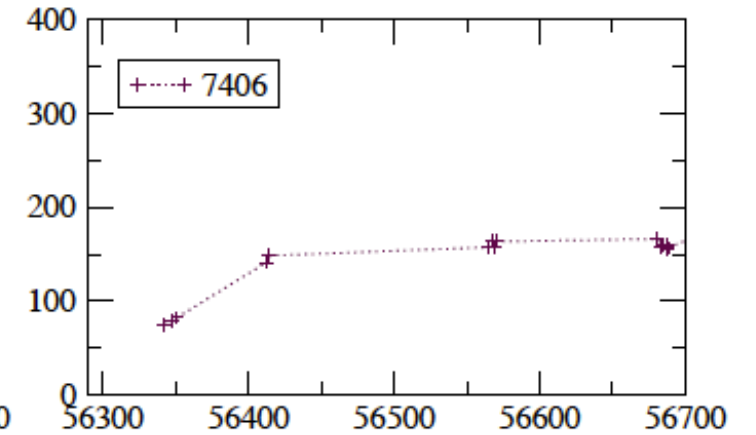
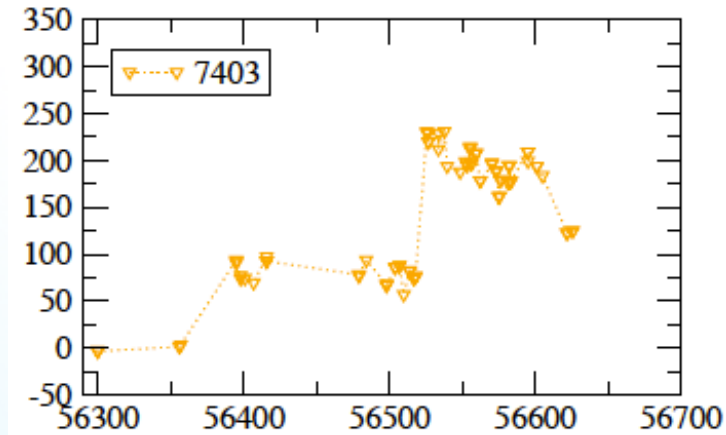
$$t(A)^G_e - t(M)^G_e = TB(A) - TB(M)$$



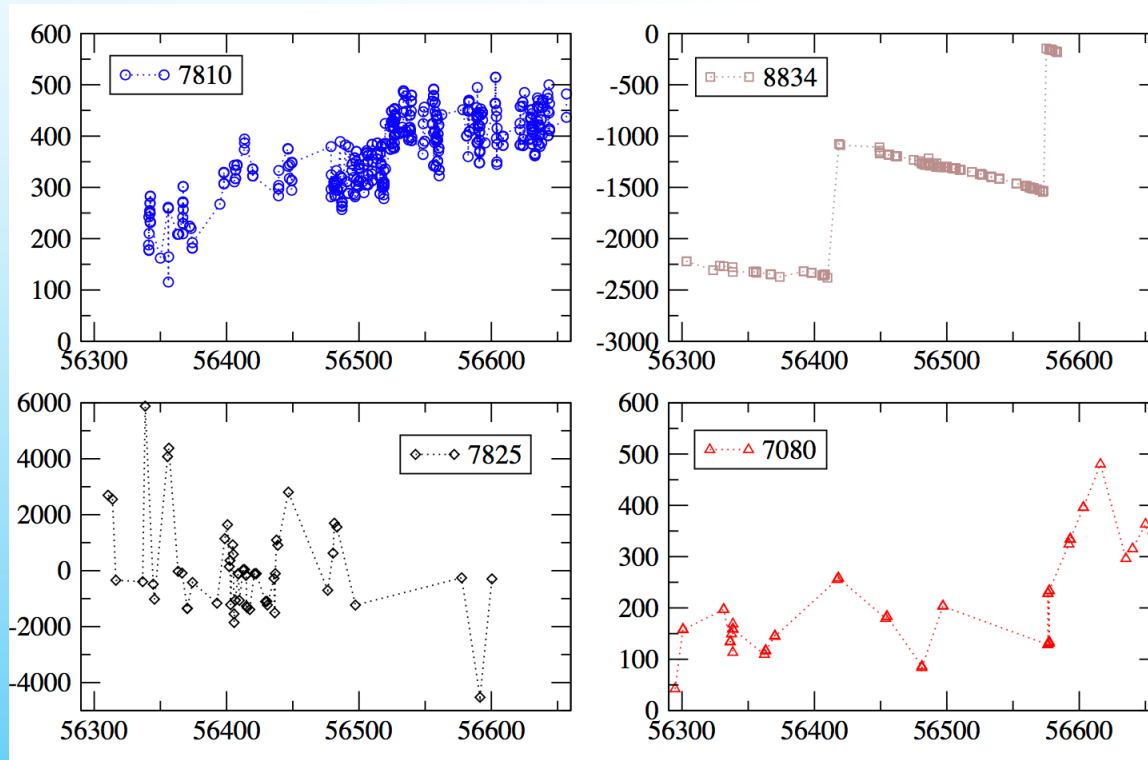
## T2L2 as a time link between SLR's



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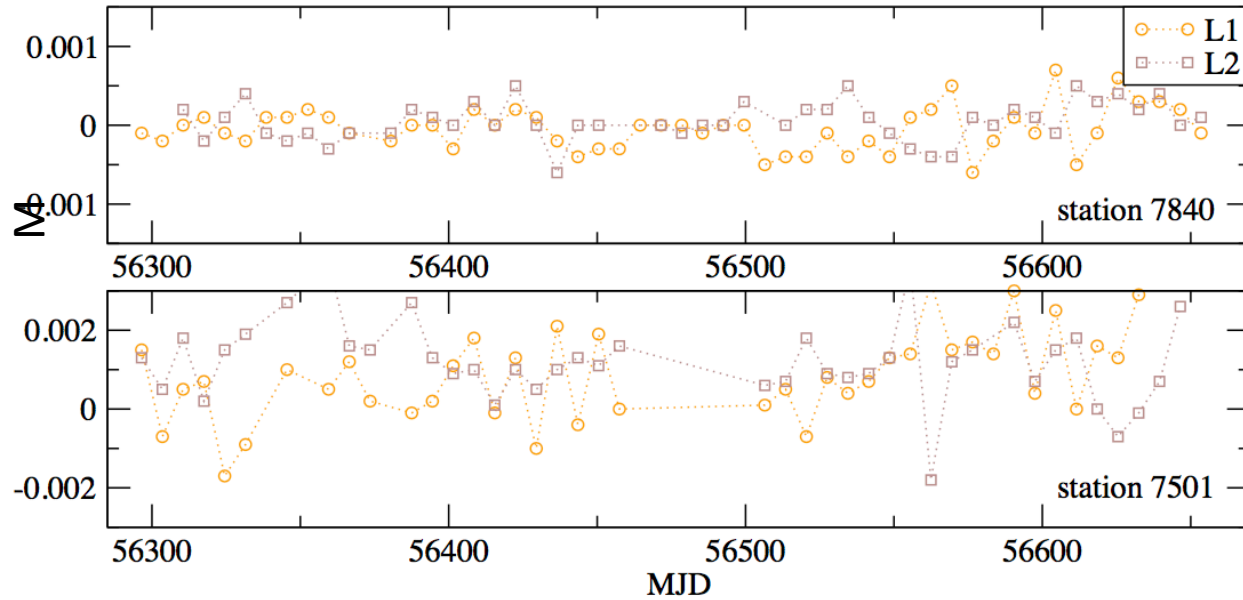
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1-year process: 2013

Table 10: Huge time biases per period (MJD) and main phase jump **microsec.**

Station	Dates	Time bias	Jump
7090	56296-	-1.0	
	56786-	+1.2	-1.2
	56834-	+1.0	-1.0
7105	57216-227	+14.6	
7124	57286-372	+8.3	
	57408-429	+16.0	
	57456-555	+8.0	
7237	57413-414	+26.1	
	57318-371	- 0.6	
7403	56824-998	+2.1	
7501	56226-785	-4.0	
	56786-992	-6.0	
	57041		+6.0
7810	57209-210	-2.6	
7838	56552-667	-7.0	
	56672-744	-14.	
7845	56811-820	-1.4	
	56974-982	-61.1	
7941	55773	-13.5	
	55777-778	-13.0	
8834	56417	-29.0	
	56418-573	< -1.0	
	56575		+1.4
	56576-7203	< -1.0	
	57204		+4.0

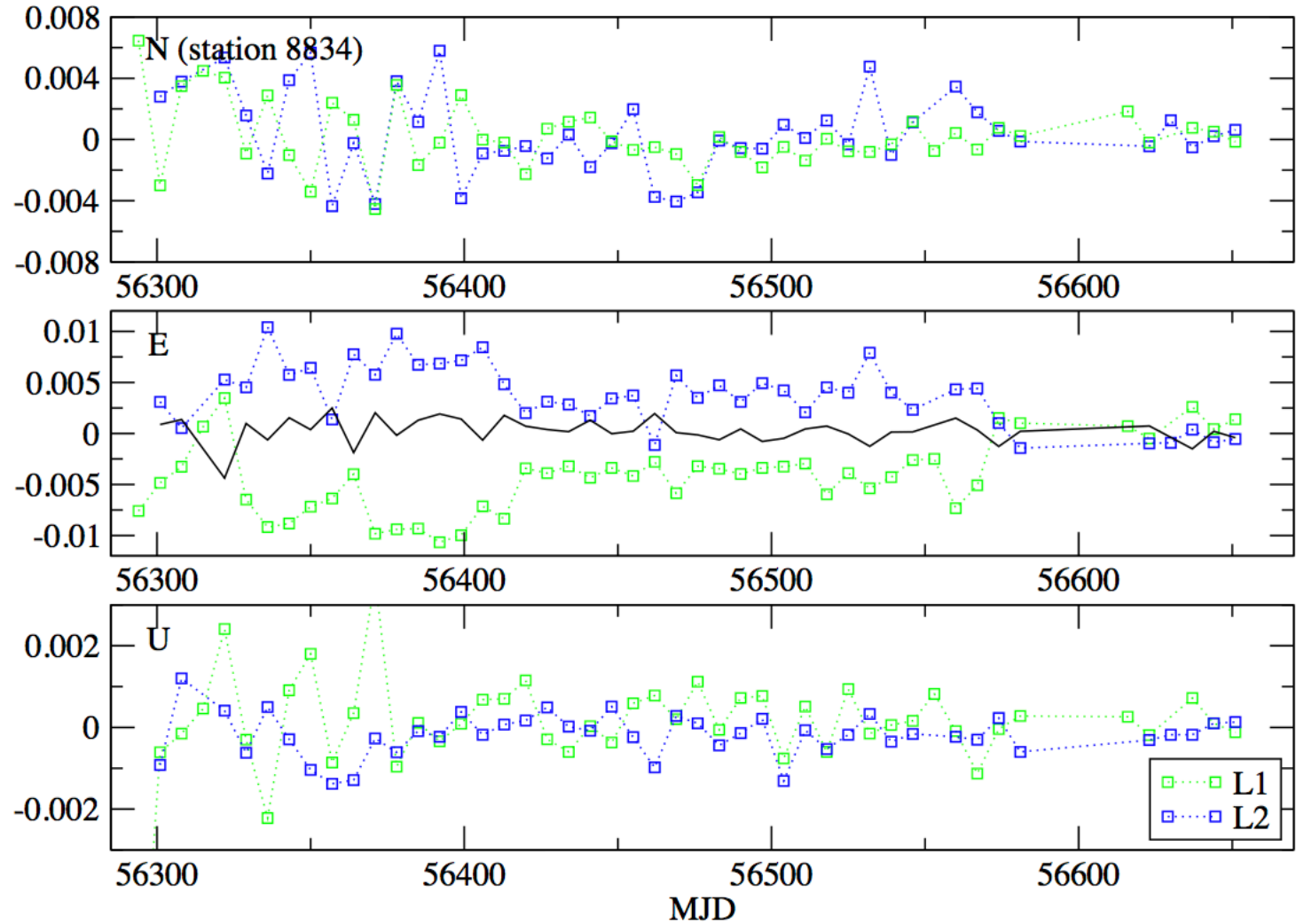
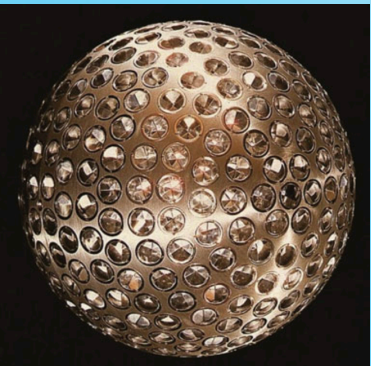
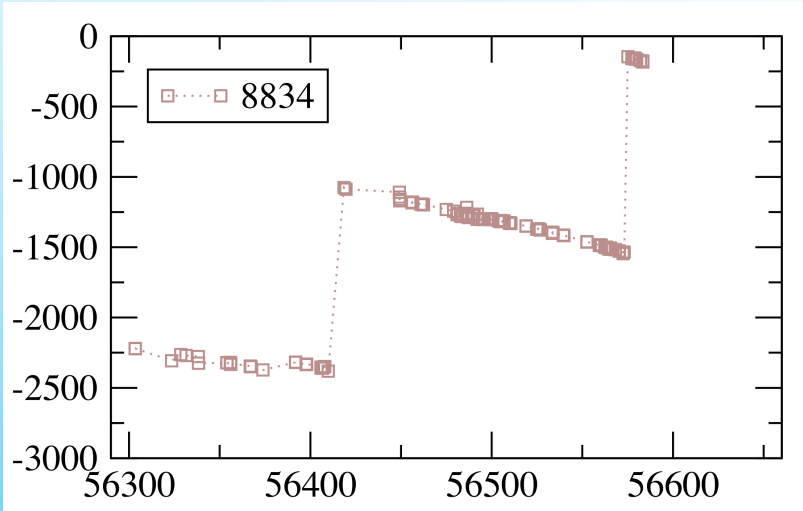


satellite	NP	arcs	average RMS	stations
L1	standard	52	$8.7 \pm 1.1$	all
		51	$7.8 \pm 2.9$	7840
		42	$8.2 \pm 2.1$	7501
	<i>TB-applied</i>	52	$8.5 \pm 1.0$	all
		51	$7.8 \pm 2.8$	7840
		42	$7.3 \pm 1.9$	7501
L2	standard	52	$8.8 \pm 1.2$	all
		46	$8.4 \pm 2.2$	7840
		41	$8.7 \pm 2.5$	7501
	<i>TB-applied</i>	52	$8.6 \pm 1.1$	all
		46	$8.3 \pm 2.2$	7840
		41	$7.5 \pm 2.8$	7501

1-year process: 2013



TB, in nanosec.



T2L2 was launch in June 2008 (as a two-way+one-way optical TT technique)

It has been tracked by 22-24 SLR stations of the ILRS network, that provided the FR data to CDDIS/EDC data centers; recently, 9 stations (1868 to, 1891) provided CDDIS with their FR data from 2016.

Time transfer from Grasse master SLR station (accurately tied to UTC) to the other SLRs (TT in non CV) has been developed to establish a « on-board time » available on a continuous basis;

- The synchronization of the station clocks to the same time reference, revealed time offsets (TB) os 0 to a few microseconds.
- The technological diagnosis is:
  - lack of time calibration of laser systems (delays in cables and devices), access to the time server (GPS), etc.

TB have small but non negligible effects in station coordinates, depending on the station and the period of time

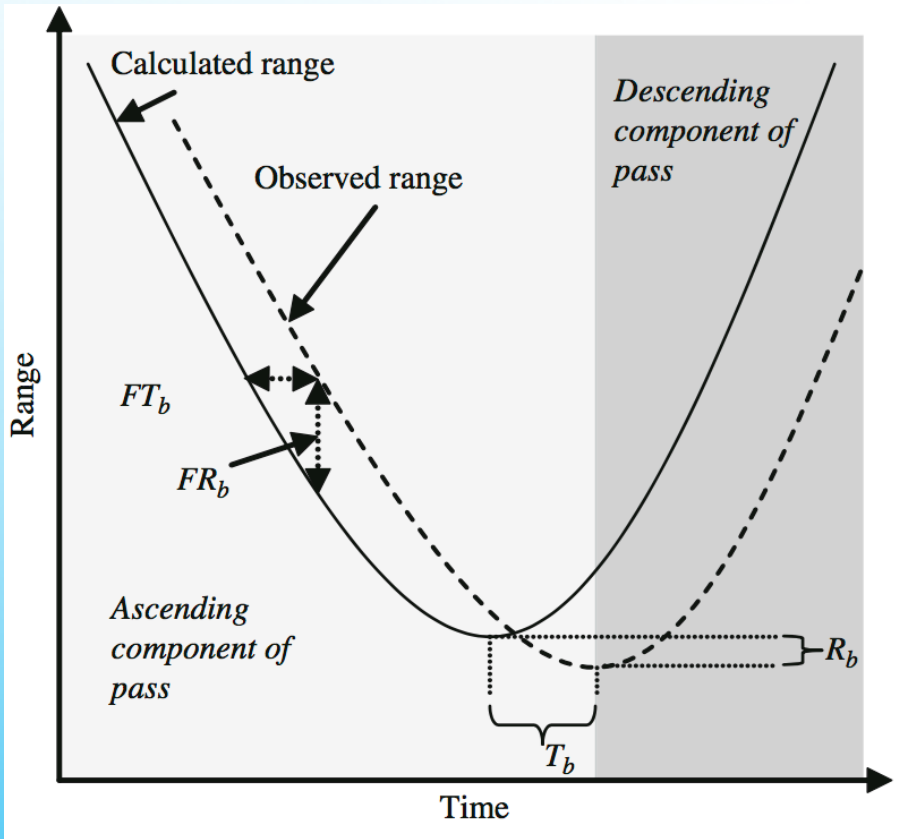
AC's analyses are able to detect range errors in the measurements (mm level) whereas time errors are very difficult to estimate although recent improvements made :

- In monitoring the engineering feedback : "data\_handling\_file"
- In the precise orbit determination process

TB cannot be determined by POD actually, and its effect is entirely transferred on station coordinates (east-west component);

- The impact on ITRF-like solutions (LAGEOS) should be accurately estimated and TB multi-yr time series included in the « standard »
- The SLR data analysis methods (QC daily, multi-yr, etc.) should consider TB in addition to rangeB.

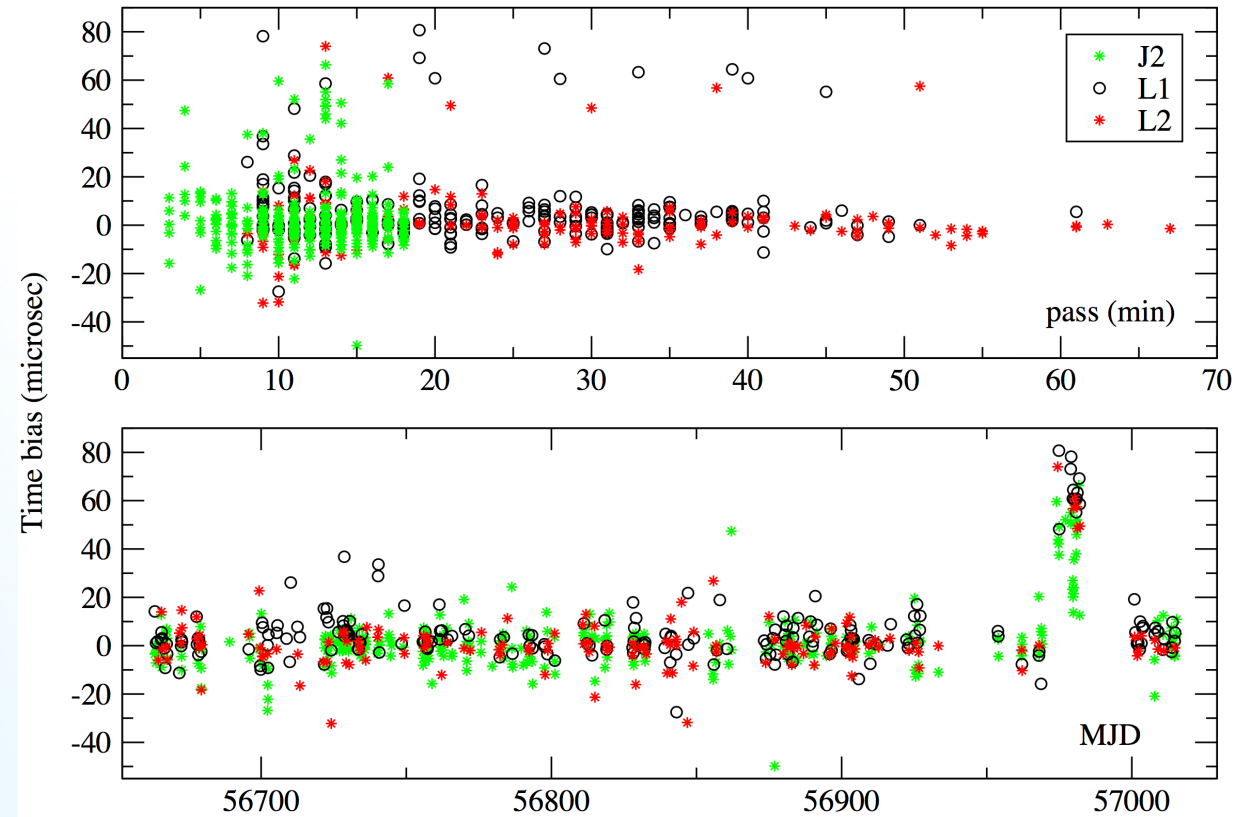
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**TB.Vsat** <-> a few mm Along-T /  $\mu\text{sec}$ .

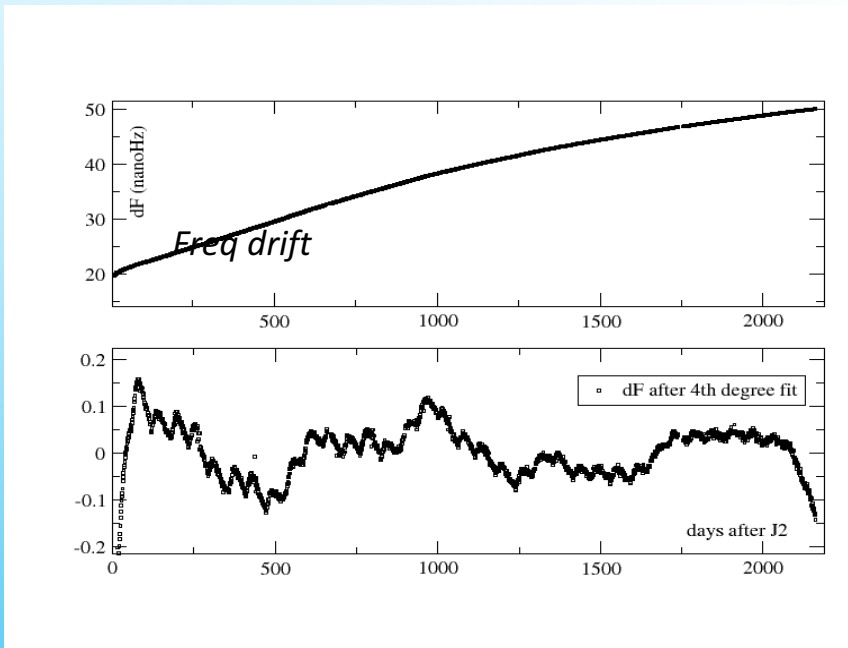
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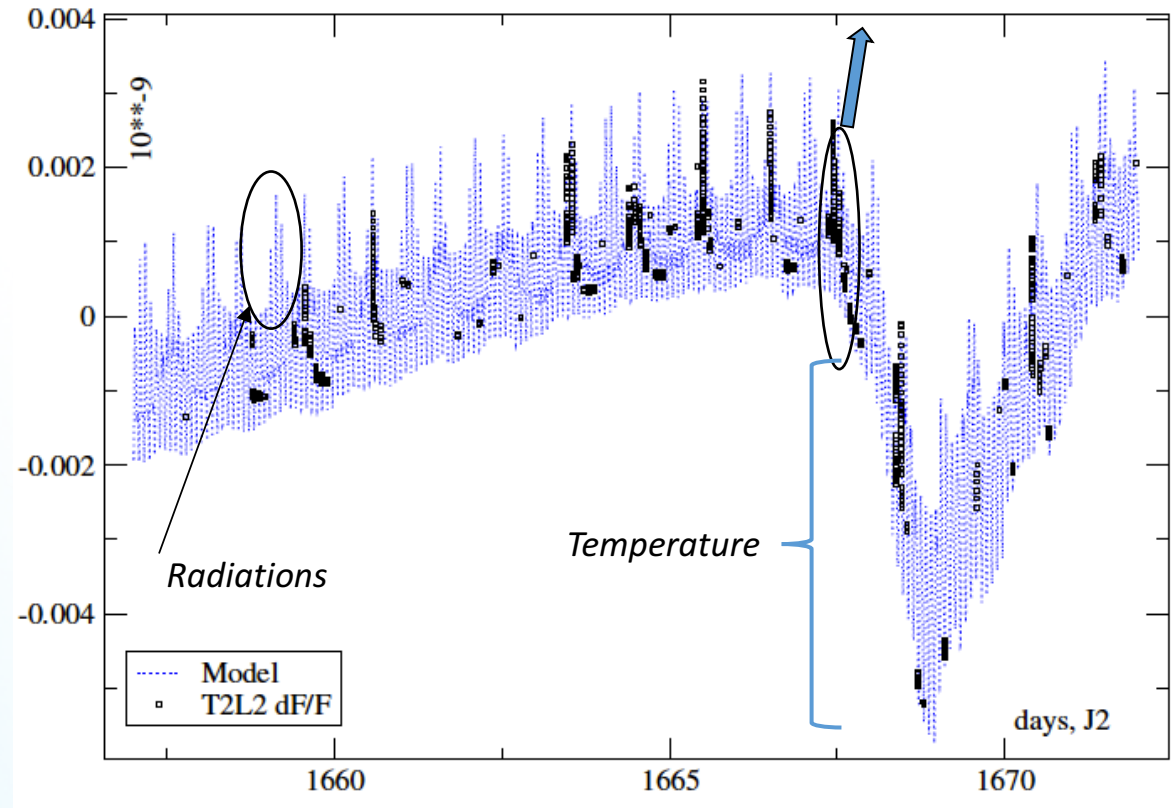
Current LAGEOS A-Track sensitivity : 20mm //  $5\mu\text{sec}$



Long-term history (drift: aging + ...)



USO model & T2L2 freq. data



**Model: precision of few  $10^{-13}$  (df/f), and accuracy  $10^{-12}$**

*Belli et al., 2015;*

*Jayles et al. 2016*



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# **New ILRS Associated Analysis Center for processing SLR observations to multi-GNSS**

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# Overview

- **New ILRS Associate Analysis Center** at the Institute of Geodesy and Geoinformatics, WUeLS, Wroclaw, Poland
- **Main goal:** Processing SLR observations to **new GNSS systems: GLONASS, Galileo, BeiDou, QZSS, GPS Block III** (in future) and supporting the MGEX/LARGE activities (ILRS Study Group: LAser Ranging to GNSS s/c Experiment)
- **Current activities:**
  1. Comparison of microwave GNSS orbits and SLR observations (operational analysis, reports generated once-per-day)
  2. Development of an on-line service for the analysis of SLR residuals to GNSS and with a database with all SLR@GNSS residual data.
- **Future activities:**
  1. Generating GNSS orbits on the basis of SLR observations
  2. Combined LAGEOS+GNSS products.

# IGS Multi-GNSS Pilot Project (MGEX)

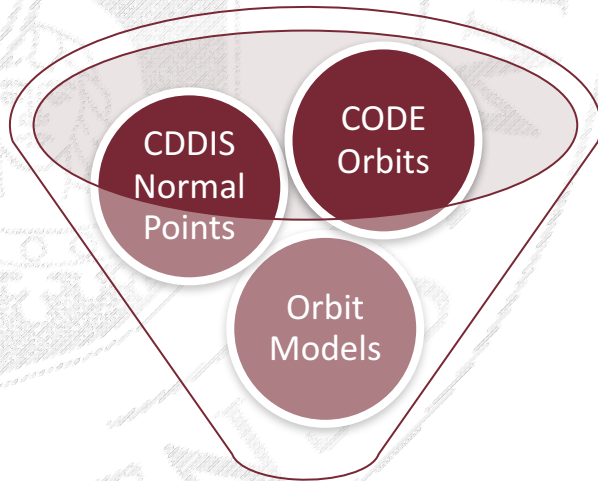


System	GLONASS		Galileo			BeiDou			QZSS
Type	GLONASS-M	GLONASS-K	IOV	FOC (extended orbit)	FOC	MEO	IGSO	GEO	QZS-1
PRN Number	R01-R08 R10-R19 R21-R25	R09, R20	E11, E12, E19, E20	E18, E14	E26, E22, E24, E30, E08, E09, E01, E02, E07, E03, E04, E05	C11, C12, C13 (retired), C14, C33, C34, C35	C06, C07, C08, C09, C10, C31, C32, C13	C01, C03, C04, C05, C02, C17	J01
Retroreflectors	115	132	84	60	60	42	42	90	42
Mass [kg]	1450	750	695-697	661/662	706-709	1 900	1 900	1 550	1 800
Semi-major axis [km]	25 500	25 520	29 600	27 978	29 600	27 878	42 164	42 164	42 164
Altitude [km]	19 130	19 130	23 225	17 178-26 019	23 226	21 507	35 793	35 793	32 000 - 40 000
Orbit	MEO	MEO	MEO	MEO	MEO	MEO	Geosynchronous	Geostationary	Geosynchronous
Eccentricity	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001-0.0002	0.1585/0.1584	0.0001-0.0004	< 0.003	0.0023	0.0002	0.099
Inclination [deg]	64.8	68.8	54.93-55.57	50.10/50.16	54.94-57.25	55.00	55.60	~0.0-1.8	43.0

# Orbit validation

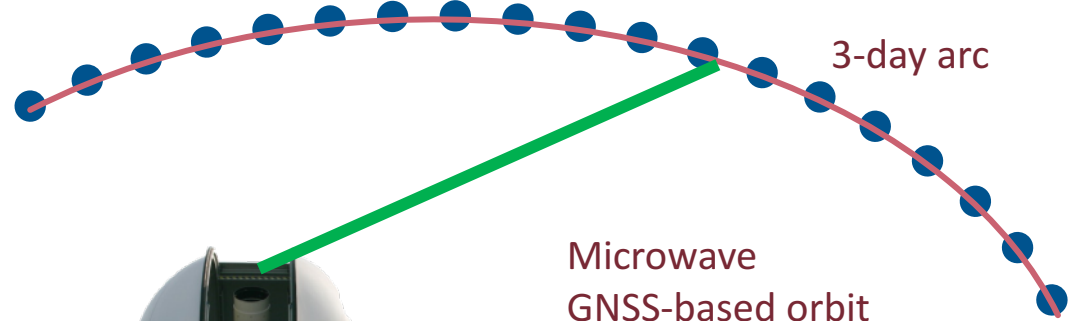
Comparison between satellite's orbits based on microwave GNSS double-difference observations with the SLR observations provided by the global network of ILRS stations.

The microwave GNSS solutions are generated by the Center for Orbit Determination in Europe (CODE) in the framework of the IGS Multi-GNSS Experiment (MGEX).



Bernese GNSS Software

Discrete Satellite's Positions



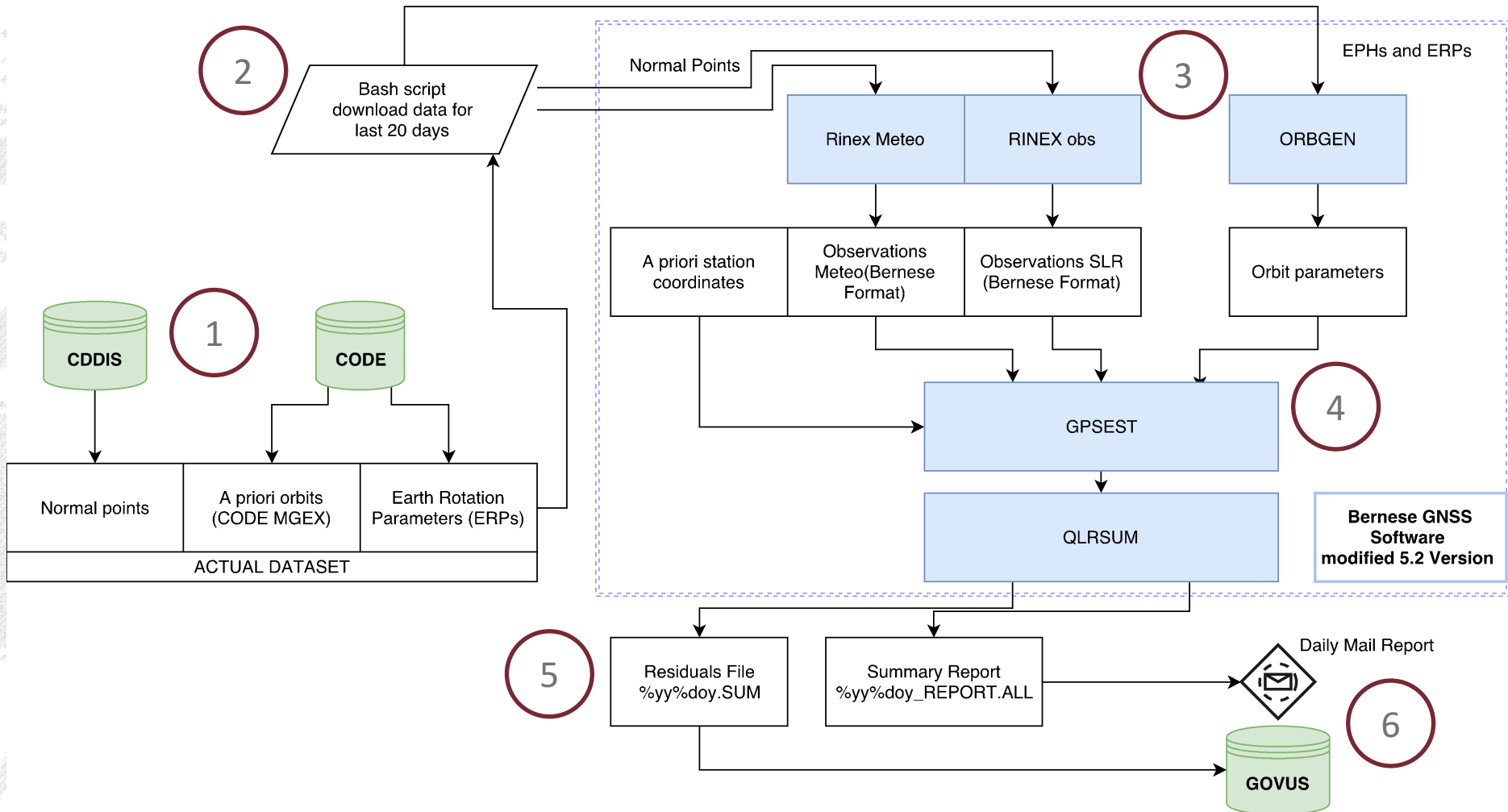
Since 2014, CODE has been providing five satellite system solutions based on GPS, GLONASS, Galileo, BeiDou, and QZSS on an operational basis. Post-processing / 2 weeks delay

Since 2015, CODE uses the new ECOM2 model for the orbit generation.

*Prange L, Orliac E, Dach R, Arnold D, Beutler G, Schaer S, Jäggi A (2016) CODE's five-system orbit and clock solution-the challenges of multi-GNSS data analysis. J Geod, 2016.*

# Generating Near Real Time operational products

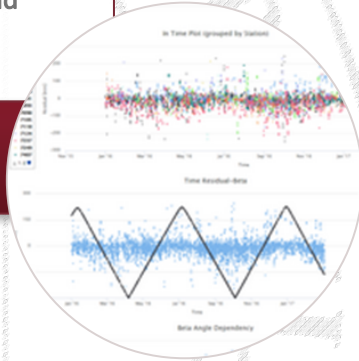
Application is generating scientific products based on the SLR observations to new GNSS systems on the operational basis. GOVUS generates daily reports that include a comparison between IGS MGEX orbits of GLONASS, Galileo, BeiDou MEO, BeiDou IGSO and QZSS satellites and SLR observations collected by a global network of ILRS stations



# Functions – Semi-Final Product

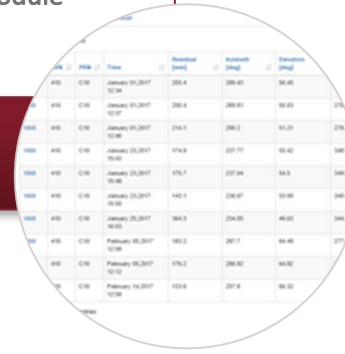
- Tool responsible for creating plots and statistical values, based on dataset, assigned using available filters and restrictions.

## Plot analyses



- Tool responsible for visualizing raw residual dataset in tables and simple plot with additional download module

## Tables Charts



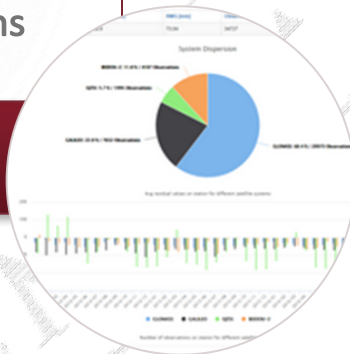
- Map presenting SLR station placement with connection to its statistics

## Map



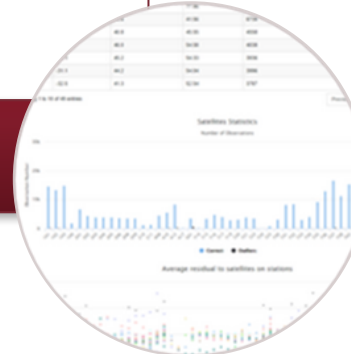
- Tool presenting general statistics about all active SLR stations

## Station statistics



- Tool presenting general statistics about the satellites

## Satellite Statistics



- Official products explorer, updating in daily bases routine.

## Daily Reports



# Daily Report

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multiGNSS Quick-Look Residual Analysis Report

Remarks: - Residuals are referred to the SLRF2008.  
- GPS satellites are indicated with the character 'G',  
GLONASS satellites with the character 'R'  
Galileo satellites with the character 'E'  
BeiDou satellites with the character 'C'  
QZSS satellites with the character 'J'  
- The SLR residuals are calculated w.r.t. official microwave  
MGEX CODE 3-day GNSS orbits.

More statistics and the description of the solutions are available at:  
multiGNSS Orbit Validation Visualizer Using SLR (GOVUS)  
<http://www.multi-slrignss.rhcloud.com>

STATION ID	SAT PRN	START PASSAGE yy/mm/dd hh:mm	DUR (min)	#OBS GOOD	MEAN (mm)	STD (mm)	#OBS BAD	MEAN (m)	STD (m)
1873 12337S003	E14	17/03/05 22:24	72	9	-113	40			
1879 12372S001	R09	17/03/05 13:29	131	7	-42	33			
1879 12372S001	R16	17/03/05 13:40	10	4	-12	1			
1879 12372S001	R18	17/03/05 14:04	10	4	21	3			
1879 12372S001	R21	17/03/05 17:38	86	5	21	8			
1879 12372S001	C08	17/03/05 18:28	7	3	-23	5			
1879 12372S001	R22	17/03/05 19:53	62	5	-45	11			
1879 12372S001	R07	17/03/05 20:10	10	4	-88	4			
1886 12373S001	E14	17/03/05 22:34	6	3	66	3			



About the authors and solution

Reference

Summary of validation result covering last 20 days from submission date in reference to the availability of new ephemeris and earth rotation parameters



# Screenshots

Accuracy Histogram



**Satellite SVN**

- 101 - E11 (GALILEO)
- 102 - E12 (GALILEO)
- 103 - E19 (GALILEO)
- 104 - E20 (GALILEO)
- 201 - E18 (GALILEO)
- 202 - E14 (GALILEO)
- 203 - E26 (GALILEO)
- 204 - E22 (GALILEO)
- 205 - E24 (GALILEO)
- 206 - E30 (GALILEO)
- 208 - E08 (GALILEO)
- 209 - E09 (GALILEO)
- 210 - E01 (GALILEO)
- 211 - E02 (GALILEO)
- 408 - C08 (BEIDOU-2)
- 410 - C10 (BEIDOU-2)
- 412 - C11 (BEIDOU-2)
- 417 - C15 (BEIDOU-2)
- 501 - J01 (QZSS)
- 711 - B17 (GLONASS)

**Satellite System**

- BEIDOU-2
- GALILEO
- GLONASS
- QZSS

Station efficiency

Number of observations in month to specific satellite

Station SVN	2014-01	2014-02	2014-03	2014-04	2014-05	2014-06	2014-07	2014-08	2014-09	2014-10	2014-11	2014-12	2015-01	2015-02	2015-03	2015-04	2015-05	2015-06	2015-07	2015-08	2015-09	2015-10	2015-11	2016-01	2016-02	2016-03	2016-04	2016-05	2016-06	2016-07	2016-08	2016-09	2016-10	2016-11	2016-12	2017-01	2017-02	2017-03					
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Station related parameters:

**Laser type**

**Max repetition [Hz]**

**Detector type**

**Timer type**

Satellite related parameters:

**Satellite Type**

**Satellite Plane**

Station Geography:

**Tectonic Plate**

**Hemisphere**

Outliers:

**Outlier Threshold [mm]\***

**Beta Angle Restriction\***

# Screenshots – station options

## Laser type

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- DPRAL
- ND:VAN
- ND-YAG
- ND:YAG
- ND:YVO
- Ti:SAP

## Max repetition [Hz]

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- <kHz
- >kHz

## Timer type

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- clock count plus TDC
- Event
- Interval

## Detector type

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- APD
- CSPAD
- MCP
- PMT
- SPAD

## Wavelength

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- 423,5
- 532
- 849,8

## Mode of operation

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- Few to Multi Photons
- Multi Photons
- Single Photon
- Single to Few Photons
- Single to Multi Photons

# Screenshots – satellite options

## Satellite Type

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- FOC
- IGSO
- IOV
- K1
- M
- M+
- MEO
- QZS-1 (Michibiki)

## Satellite Plane

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- C-G
- C-H
- C-I
- E-A
- E-B
- E-C
- E-Ext
- J-1
- R-1
- R-2
- R-3

## Satellite Coating

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- AL
- NO

## Outliers:

Outlier Threshold [mm]\*

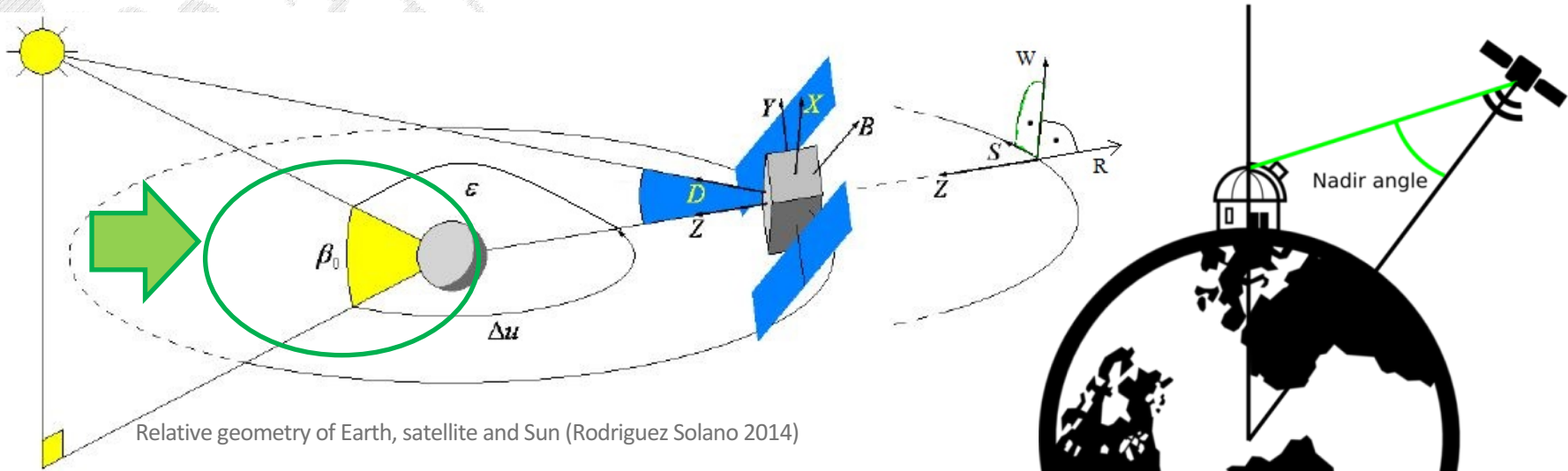
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Beta Angle Restriction\*

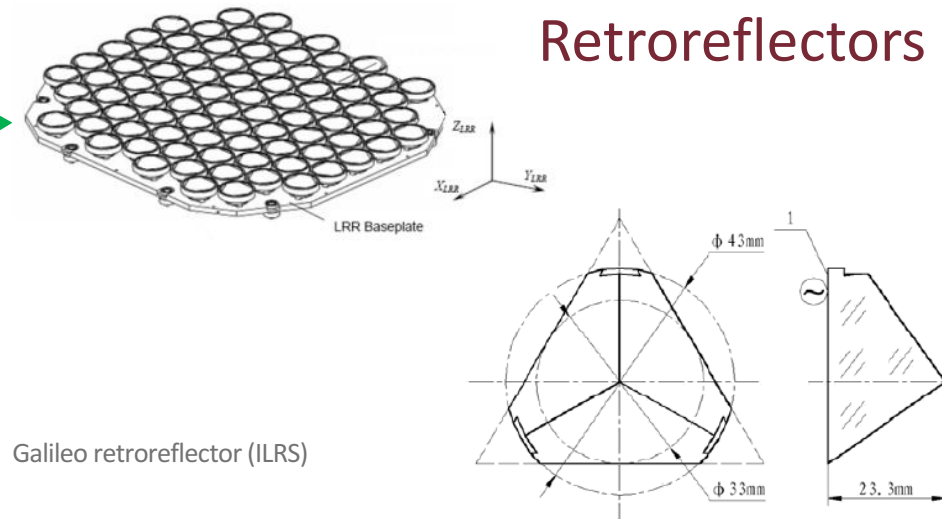
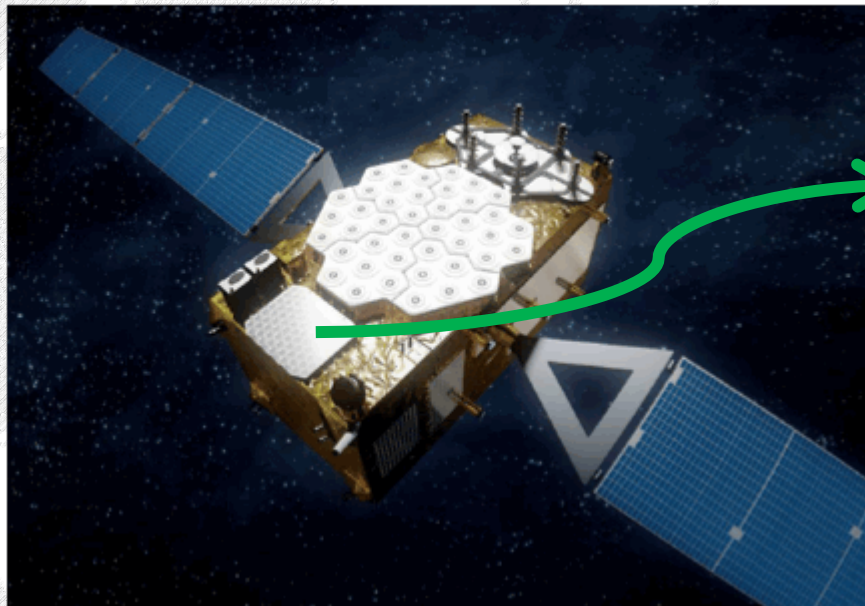
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Exclude

# GNSS data analysis using GOVUS: [multi-slrgnss.rhcloud.com](http://multi-slrgnss.rhcloud.com)

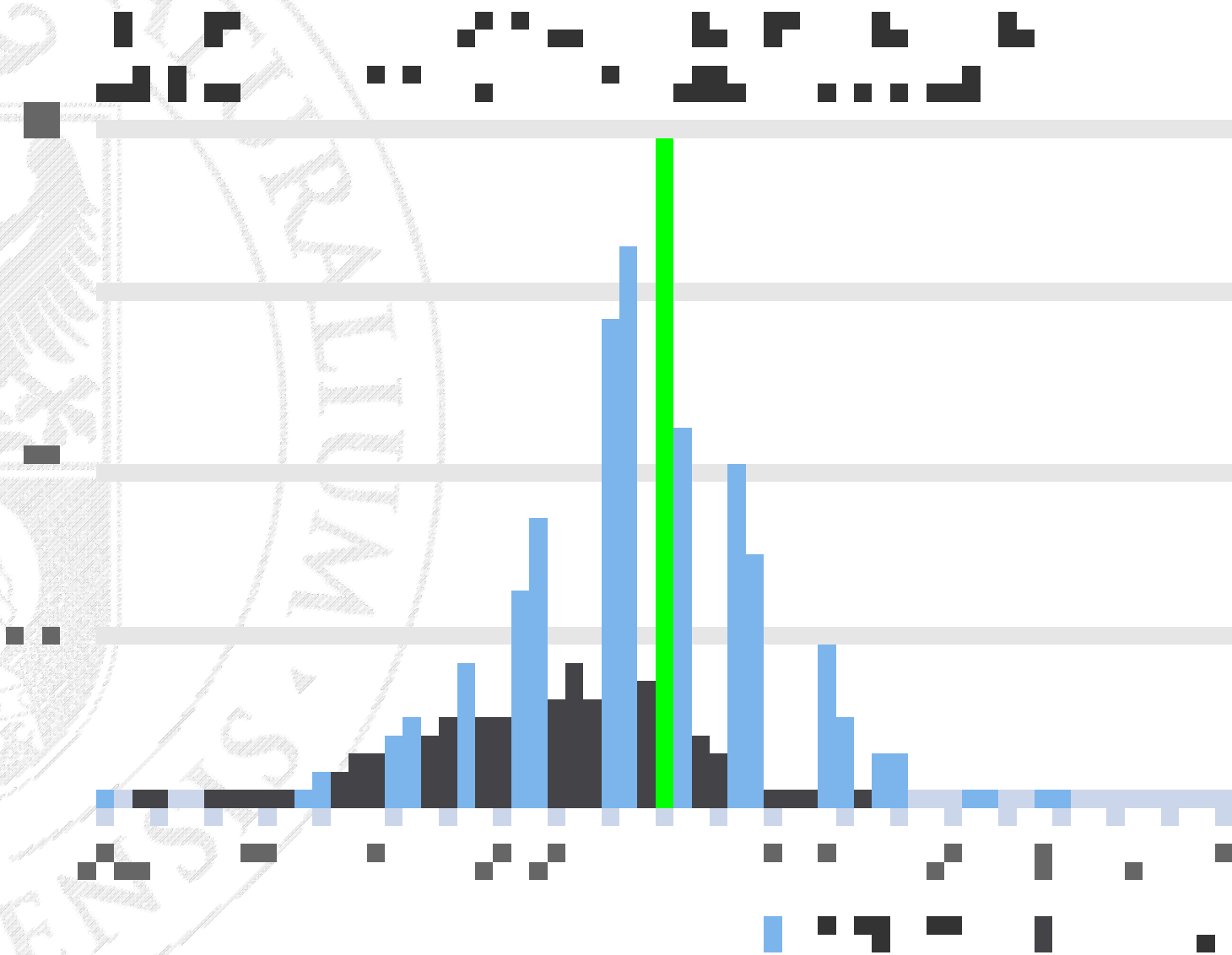


Relative geometry of Earth, satellite and Sun (Rodriguez Solano 2014)

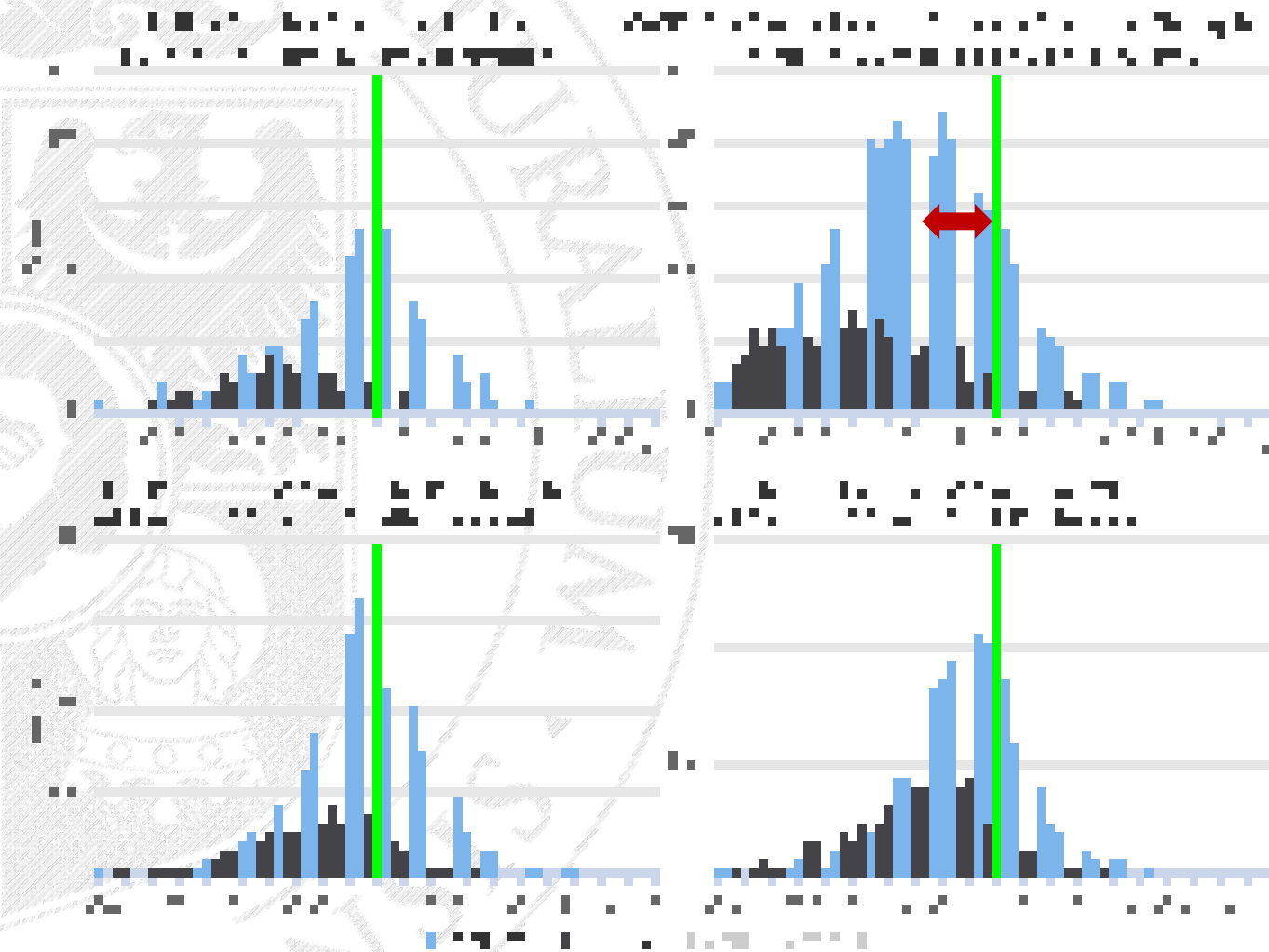


Galileo retroreflector (ILRS)

# Station statistics - histograms



# Station statistics depending on detector type



Nr	Avg [mm]	Std Dev [mm]	RMS [mm]	Obs. No
7090	-23,0	48,8	54,0	52583
8834	-19,8	37,2	42,2	20386
7941	-15,5	37,4	40,5	19454
7839	-10,0	37,3	38,6	37965
7840	-12,7	37,3	39,4	23449
7810	-15,5	43,9	46,5	20217
7237	<b>-44,5</b>	<b>57,9</b>	<b>73,0</b>	34866
7825	-3,6	40,1	40,2	27301
7821	-14,0	49,1	51,1	18873
1879	-16,6	45,9	48,8	14042
7407	-19,0	44,4	48,2	6569

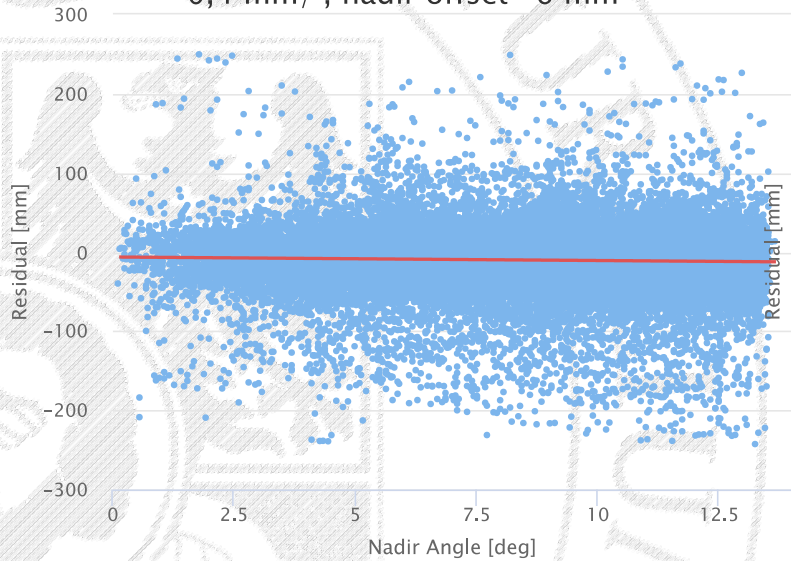
MCP	Multi Photons	CSPAD	Single Photon	PMT	<i>Few Photons</i>
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# Dependency of SLR residuals on the incidence angle of the laser beam

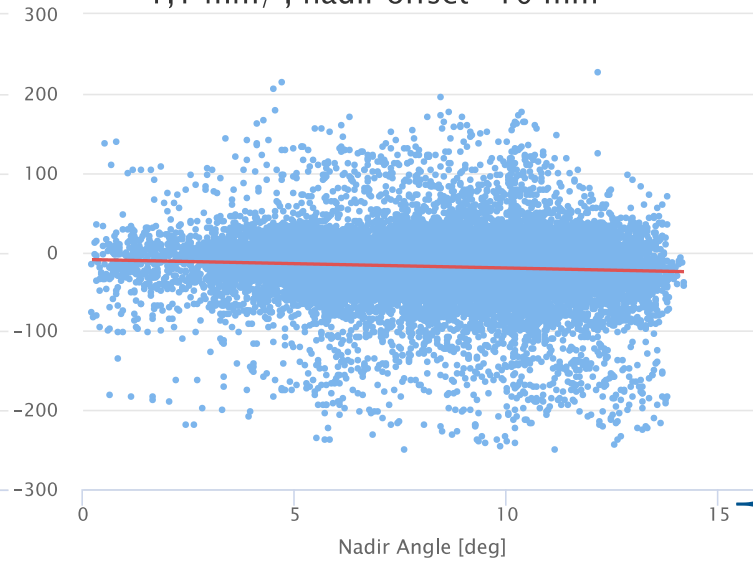
\*C-SPAD – Graz (7939), Herstmonceux (7940), Zimmerwald (7810), Mount Stromlo (7825)

\*MCP – Wettzel (8834), Yarragadee (7090), Matera (7941)

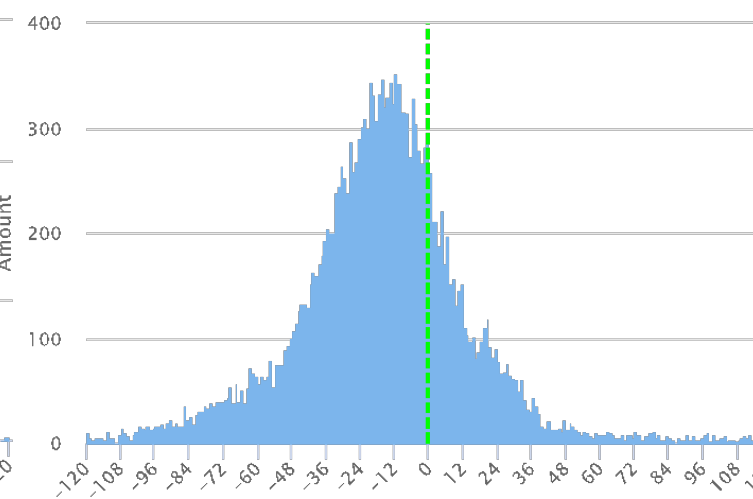
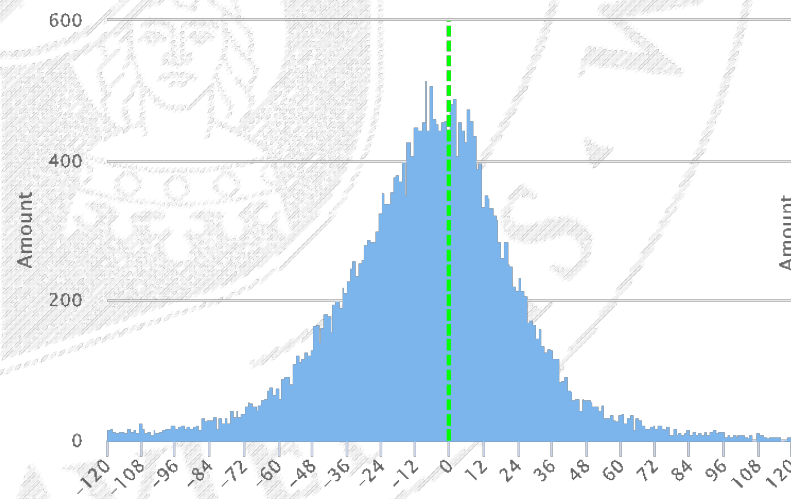
C-SPAD Stations to GLONASS satellites  
-0,4 mm/°, nadir offset -6 mm



MCP Stations to GLONASS satellites  
-1,1 mm/°, nadir offset -10 mm



Signature effect  
caused by multi-  
photons detector  
limitation in multiple  
reflection from flat  
array recognition



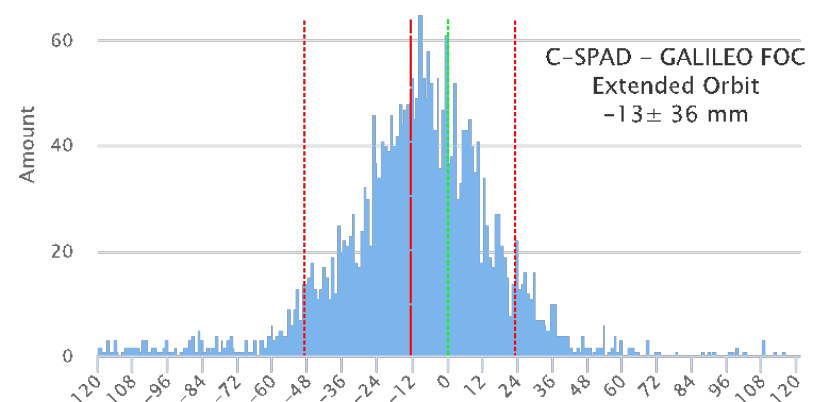
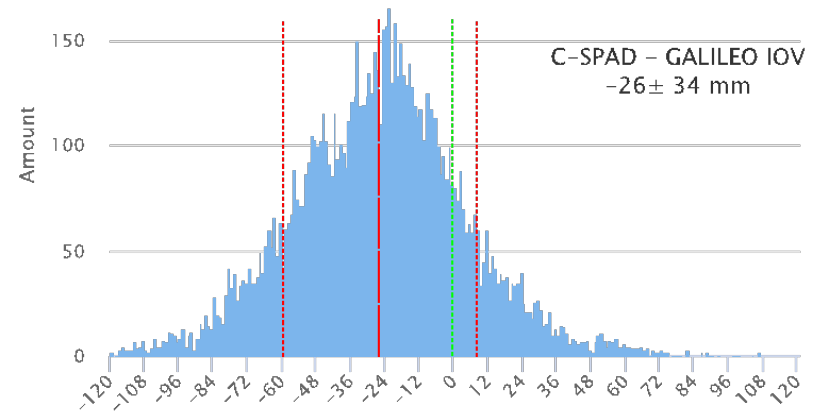
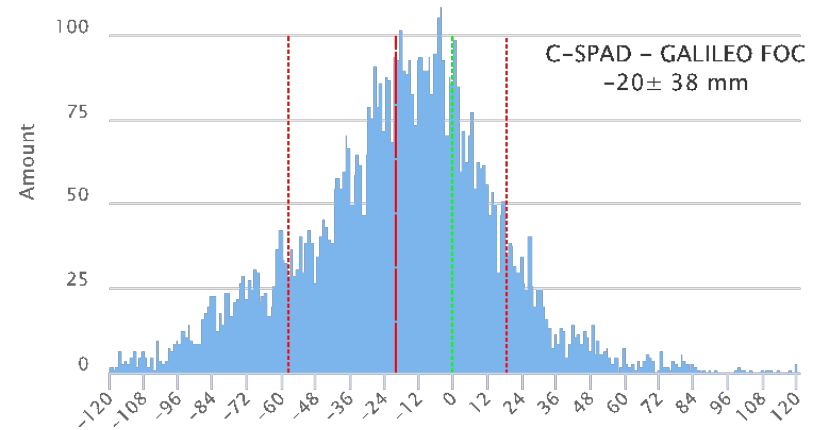
Nadir angle has no  
dependence on  
SLR residuals

# Dependency of SLR residuals on station's detector type

## Different types of Galileo satellites

	Type	No. Obs.	Avg [mm]	Std. Dev [mm]	RMS [mm]
MCP*	IOV	10417	-37,9	36,0	52,3
	FOC	9293	-29,5	39,8	49,5
	FOC-Ext	3618	-20,9	34,5	40,3
C-SPAD*	IOV	10870	-26,8	33,1	42,6
	FOC	9139	-24,6	38,1	45,3
	FOC-Ext	3549	-14,9	33,2	36,3

		C-SPAD*		MCP*		
Type	SVN	Avg [mm]	RMS [mm]	Avg [mm]	RMS [mm]	Plane
IOV	101	-24,3	41,1	-35,4	50,5	E-B
	102	-26,9	39,6	-36,5	48,9	E-B
	103	-29,2	46,3	-41,8	56,9	E-C
Ext	201	-13,6	35,1	-20,7	38,7	E-Ext
	202	-16,5	37,8	-21,1	42,8	E-Ext
	203	-22,4	44,7	-24,8	48,6	E-B
FOC	204	-21,3	44,4	-28,7	52,3	E-B
	205	-28,2	48,0	-28,0	48,9	E-A
	206	-28,4	45,0	-32,7	49,3	E-A
	208	-22,8	44,3	-32,2	52,5	E-C
	209	-19,9	41,6	-31,9	48,9	E-C
	210	-28,9	50,5	-26,4	38,4	E-A
	211	-27,6	45,9	-28,3	46,4	E-A



\*C-SPAD – Graz (7939), Herstmonceux (7940), Zimmerwald (7810), Mt Stromlo (7825)

\*MCP – Wettzel (8834), Yarragadee (7090), Matera (7941)



# Comparison of the classical and extended ECOM

	2014				2015				2016			
	No. Obs	Avg [mm]	Std. Dev [mm]	RMS [mm]	No. Obs	Avg [mm]	Std. Dev [mm]	RMS [mm]	No. Obs	Avg [mm]	Std. Dev [mm]	RMS [mm]
GLONASS	50776	-6,9	38,8	39,4	53224	-12,0	41,9	43,6	34221	-8,2	33,8	34,8
Galileo	10139	-36,2	67,3	76,3	17039	-30,1	37,6	48,2	23564	-25,4	37,8	45,6
BeiDou	4664	-5,3	50,8	51,1	3599	-15,4	51,0	53,3	2903	0,8	54,8	54,8
QZSS	622	-30,3	113,4	117,4	855	-85,8	60,2	104,8	375	-53,2	90,8	105,2

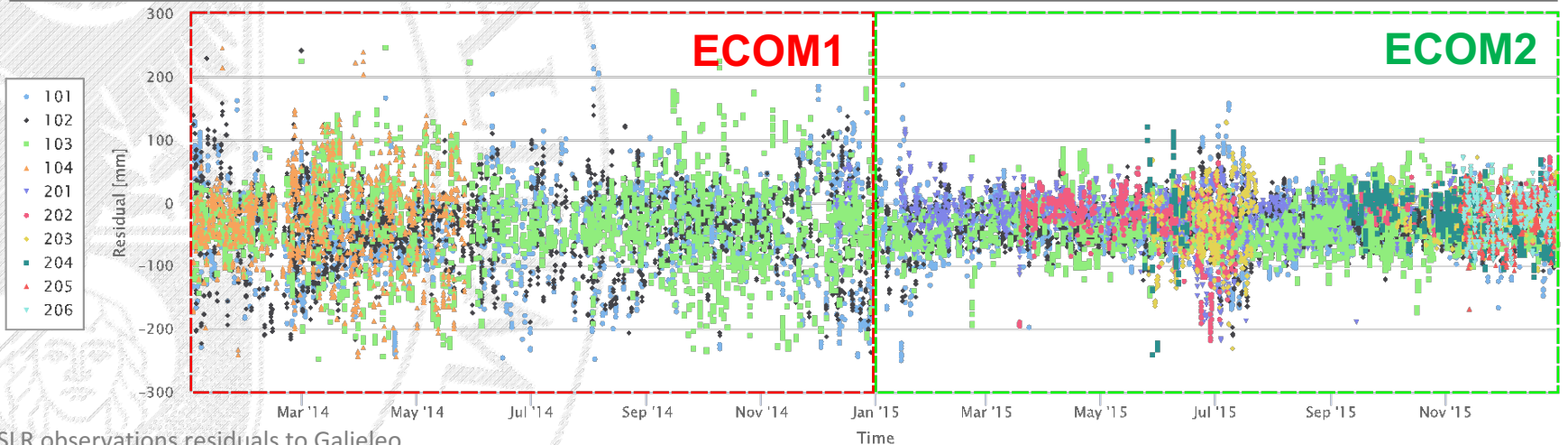


Fig. SLR observations residuals to Galileo satellites as a function of time

New Empirical CODE Model (Arnold et al., 2015)

$$\begin{cases} D = D_0 + D_{S2} \sin 2\Delta u + D_{S2} \cos 2\Delta u \\ \quad + D_{S4} \sin 4\Delta u + D_{S4} \cos 4\Delta u \\ Y = Y_0 \\ X = X_0 + X_s \sin \Delta u + X_c \cos \Delta u \end{cases}$$

**Galileo: clear benefits from ECOM2**

**QZSS: significant benefit while in yaw attitude mode**

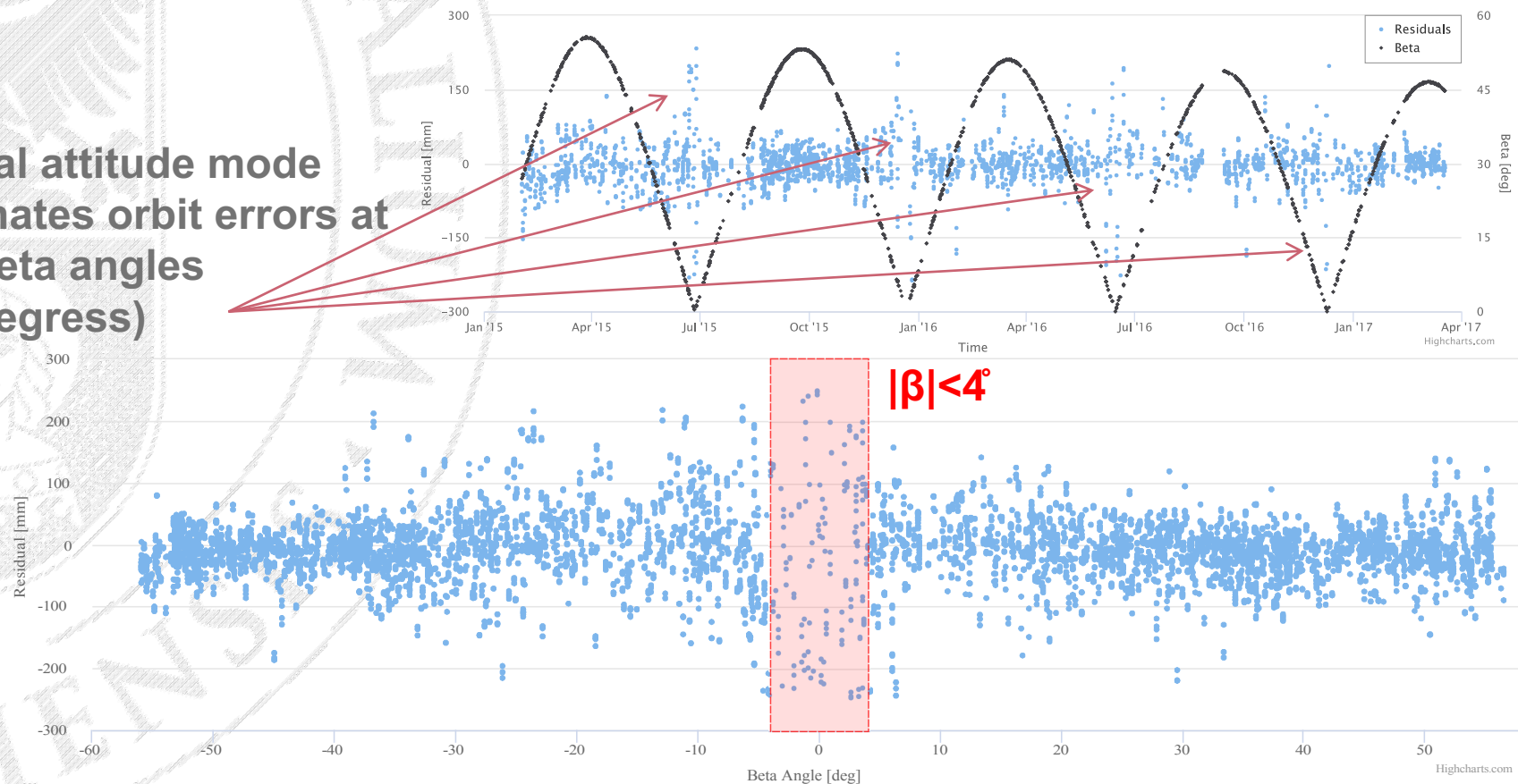
**GLONASS: moderate benefits for majority of satellites, overall statistics on comparable level**

**BeiDou: overall statistics on comparable good level**

# Orbit modelling issues for satellites in normal mode of BeiDou Navigation Satellite System

	PRN	No. Obs.	Avg [mm]	Std. Dev. [mm]	RMS [mm]		No. Obs.	Avg [mm]	Std. Dev. [mm]	RMS [mm]	Plane	CC
$\beta$  <4	C08	84	2,1	122,0	122,0	$\beta$  >4	1483	-22,4	48,9	53,7	C-I	42
	C10	41	-3,4	116,4	116,5		2090	-3,1	58,3	58,4	C-G	90
	C11	34	-63,7	149,2	162,2		3349	-3,1	35,2	35,4	C-H	90
		<b>159</b>	<b>-13,4</b>	<b>129,7</b>	<b>130,3</b>		<b>6922</b>	<b>-7,2</b>	<b>46,9</b>	<b>47,5</b>		

Normal attitude mode dominates orbit errors at low Beta angles (< 4 degrees)



## Summary

- The Web application is working with the functionality of:
  - ✓ storing and updating database in a daily routine
  - ✓ visualising data and allowing for plot analyses
  - ✓ creating dataset filtered by a user, ready for download
- New GNSS systems are analyzed: GLONASS, Galileo, BeiDou and QZSS
- Current coverage: 2014.0-2017.4 (today)
- Reports distributed via ILRS e-mail?

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