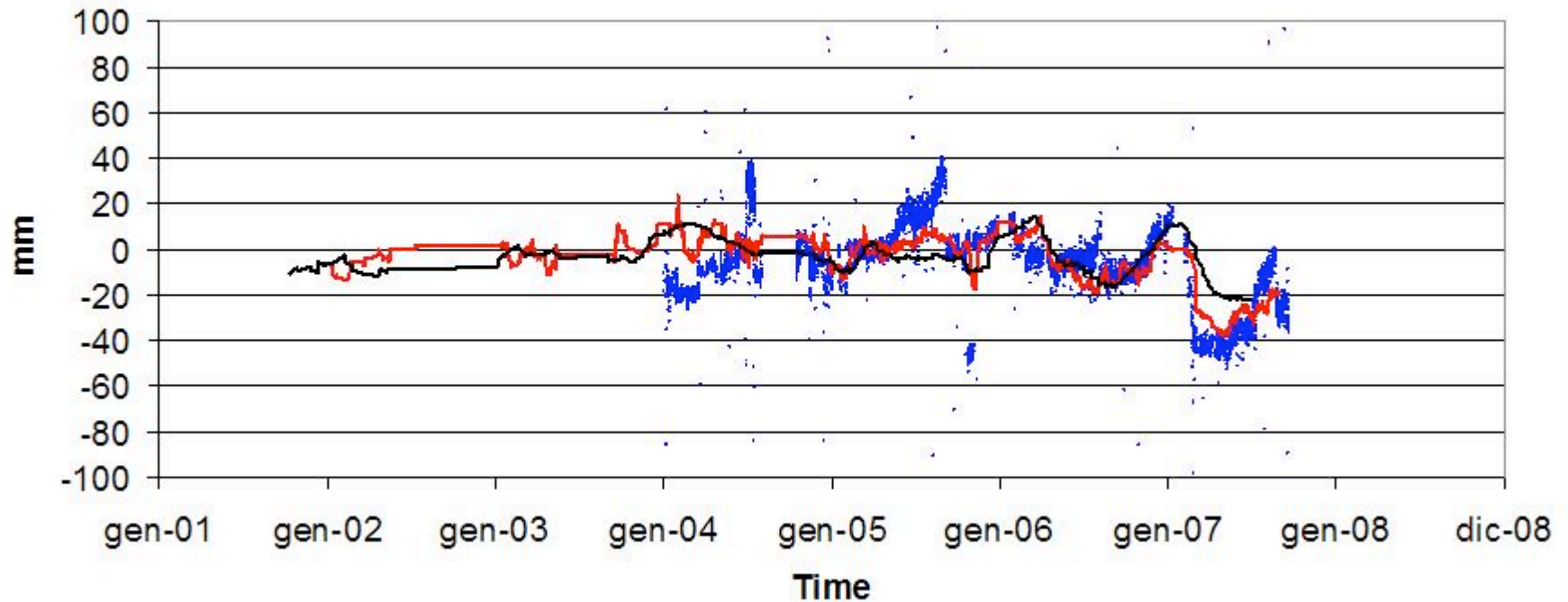


Development of quality control tools for the MLRO

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One year ago...

7941 L1/L2 range bias vs system delay



At that time we concluded...

- A *dedicated* SLR system engineer is mandatory.
- A set of *quasi real-time SLR station health indicators* should be agreed upon, defined and developed by system specialists and data analysts. This should allow to rapidly pinpoint a problem arising at a station
- Is range bias monitoring enough?
- Standardizing calibration procedures?

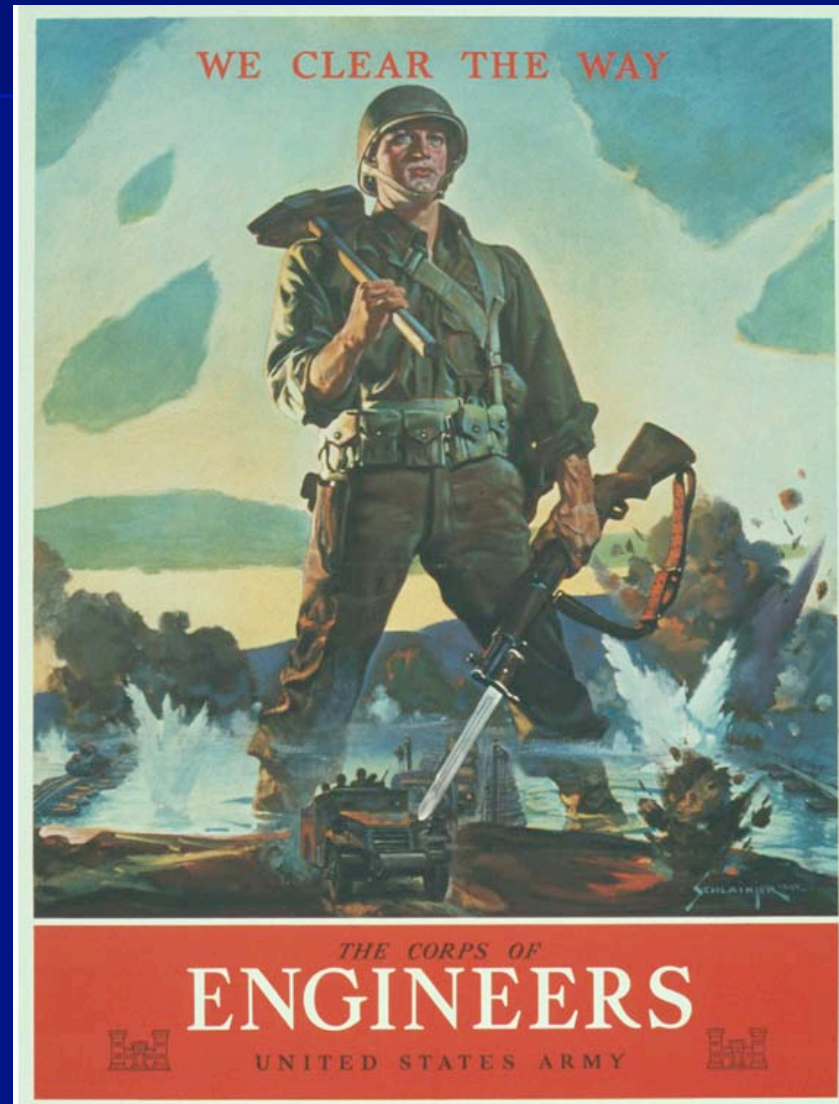
The three souls in SLR:

The scientist (DA)



ILRS 2006 Poznan, Poland - 15-17 October 2006

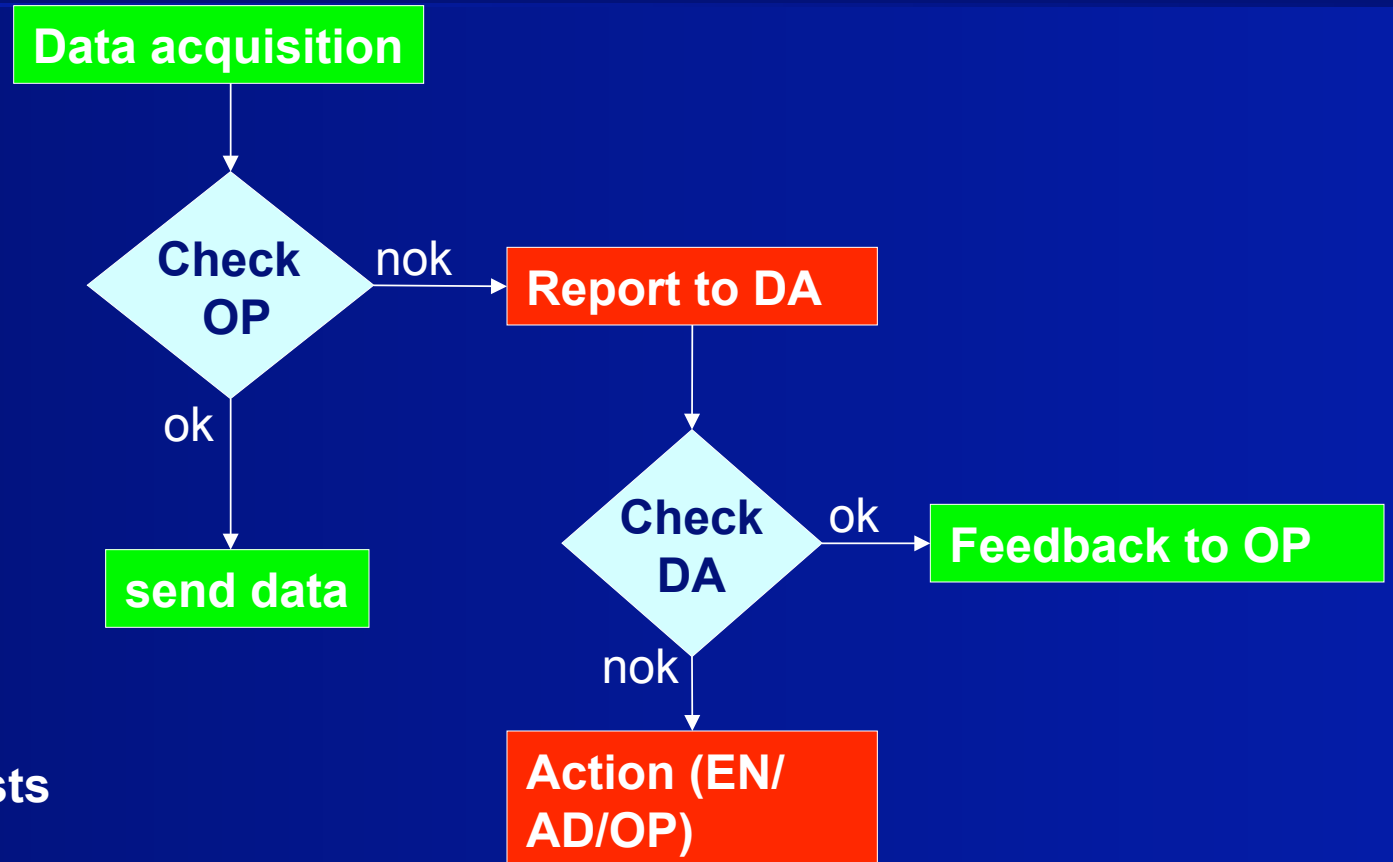
The engineer (EN)



The operator (OP)



Internal QC



OP = Operators
DA = Data analysts
EN = Engineers

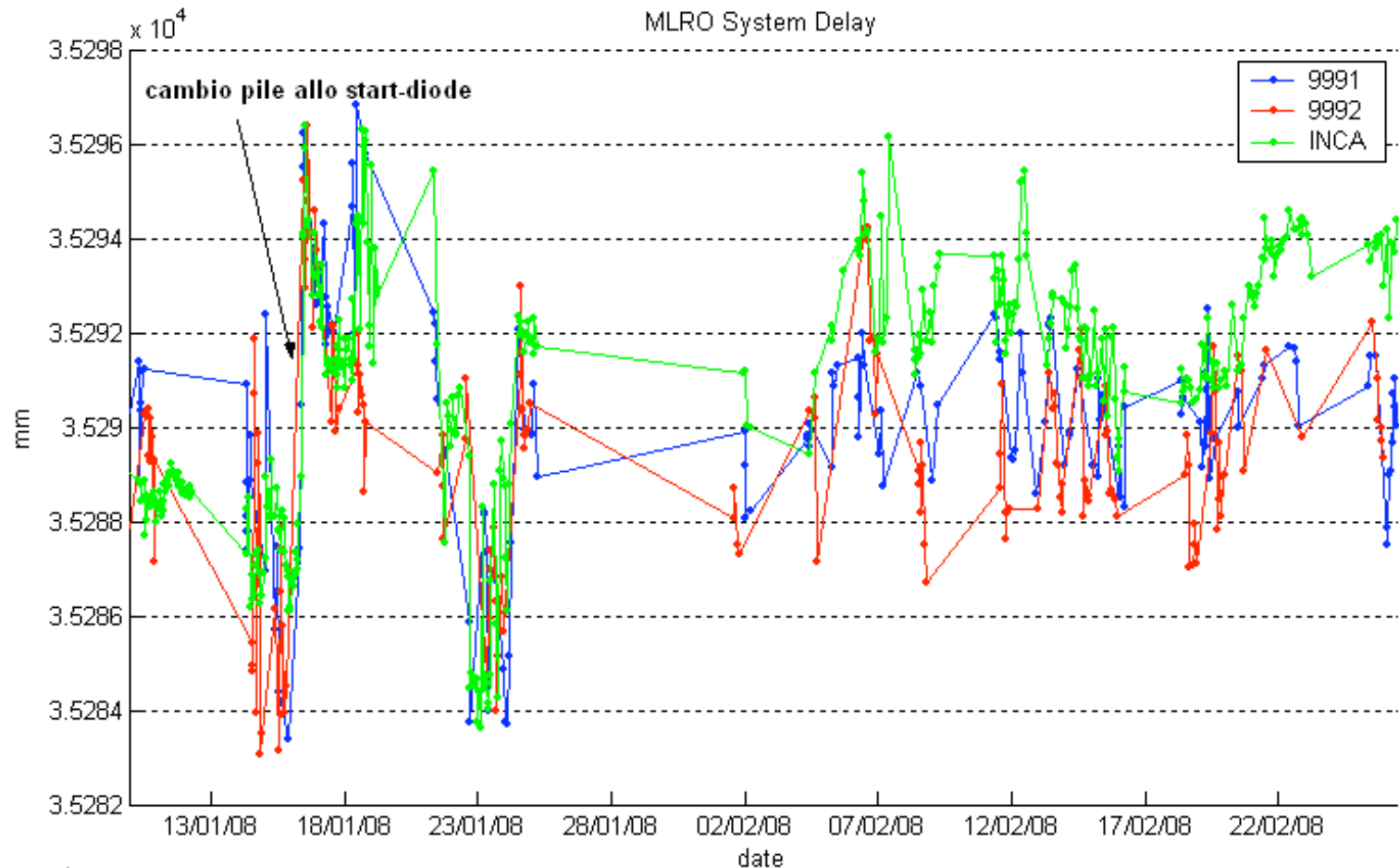
Internal QC

- Acquisition phase
 - Calibration stability (mean, rms)
 - Pass parameters stability (editing, rms, other)
- Routine checks
 - Diagnostics, calibrations
 - Other procedures in collaboration with EN

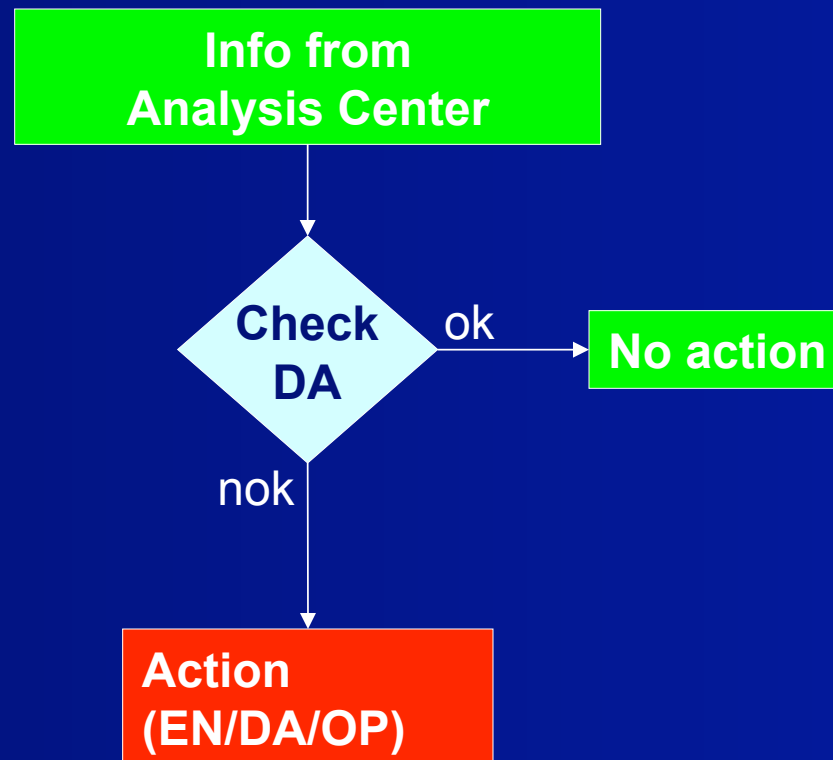
MLRO health indicator parameters

- Automatically monitored params (DA is automatically notified if threshold values are reached):
 - System delay rms (should be <2 mm)
 - System delay variations
 - Transmitted energy std
 - Pass residuals rms

System delay



External QC



OP = Operators
DA = Data analysts
EN = Engineers

External QC

- ILRS reports
- ILRS station performance
- Biases from Hitotsubashi Univ.
- **GeoDAF MLRO monitor**

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START date: Year/Month/Day

2008 / 07 / 12

STOP date: Year/Month/Day

2008 / 10 / 10

Select X axis parameter

- Time
 Full-rate RMS data
 Tx Energy
 System delay
 Rx Energy
 System delay RMS
 Return Rate

1) Satellite option: category

- Enable satellite category
 Disable satellite category

2) Satellite option: name

noname
 AJISAI
 ANDERR-Act
 ANDERR-Pas
 BEACON_C

Select Y axis parameter

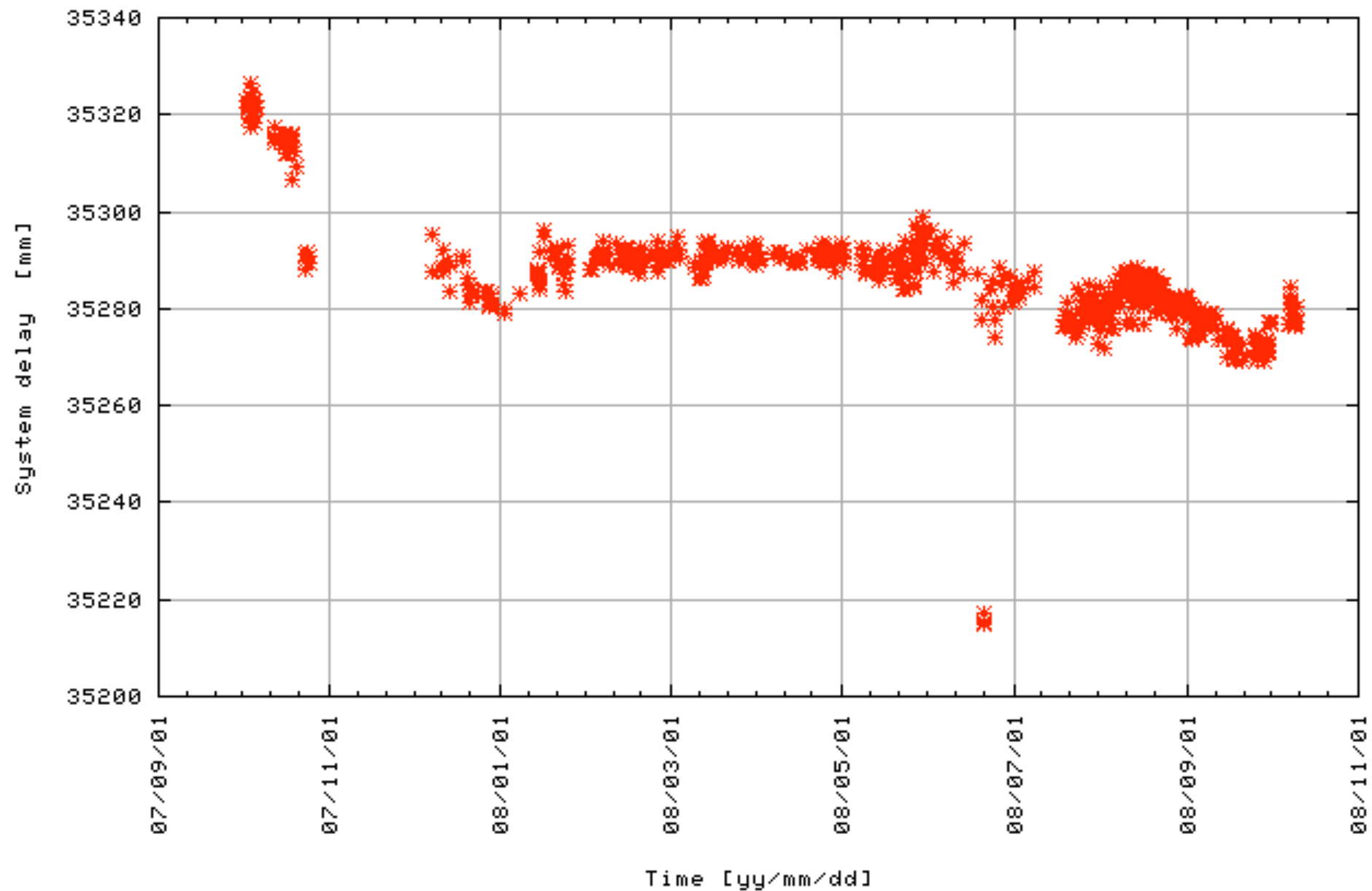
- Pass
 Tx energy
 Edited data for non-recorded energy
 Full-rate RMS data
 Rx energy
 Edited data for MAX energy
 System delay
 Edited data for min energy
 System delay RMS
 Edited data after fit
 Return Rate

Y-Scale: min/max (blank=automatic)

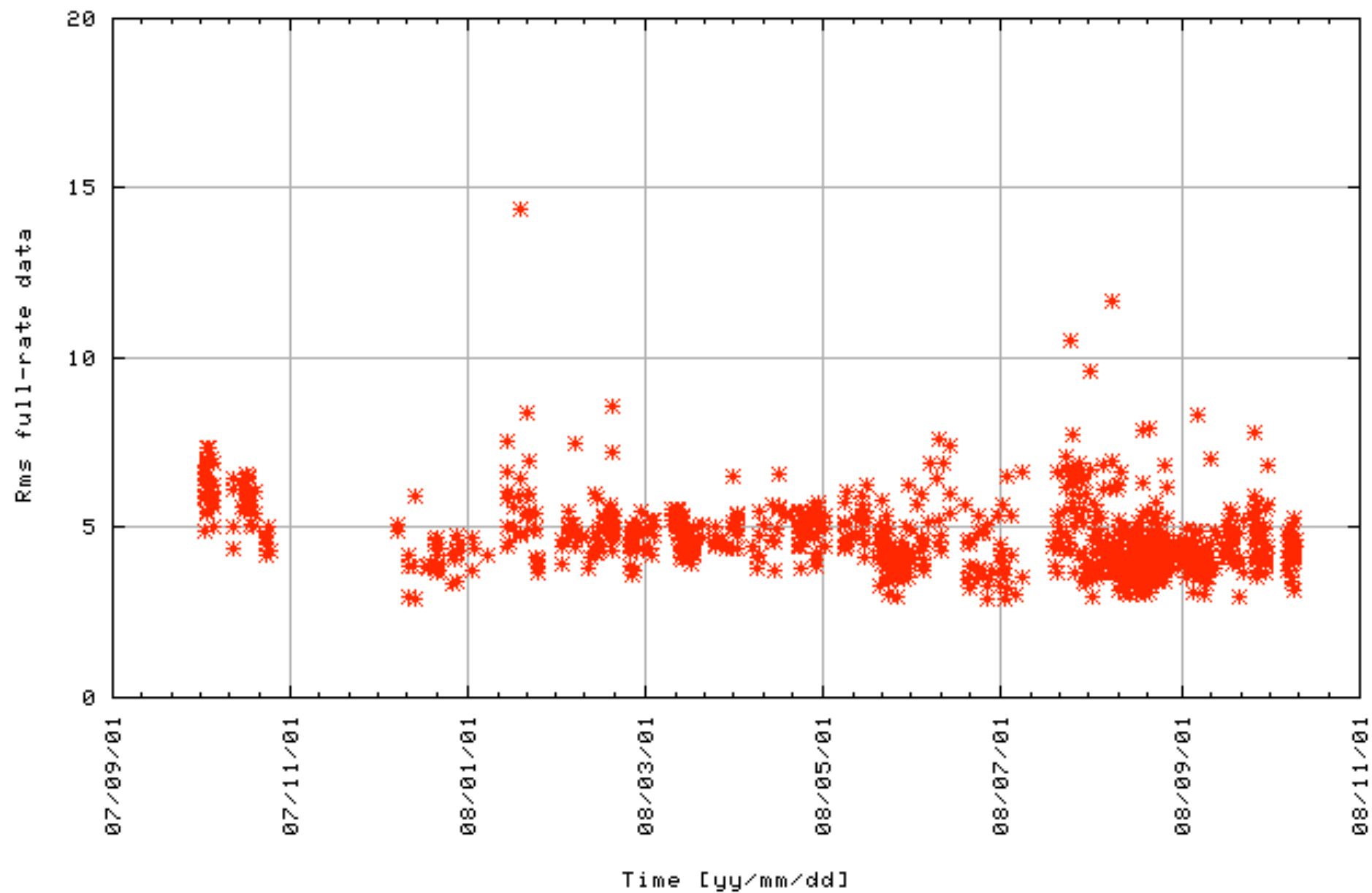
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View plot

System delay [mm] vs Time [yy/mm/dd] (LAGEOS Satellites)



Rms full-rate data vs Time [yy/mm/dd] (LAGEOS Satellites)



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START date: Year/Month/Day

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STOP date: Year/Month/Day

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Select X axis parameter

 Time
 System delay

1) Satellite option: category

 High
 Low
 Lageos
 All
 Disable satellite category

2) Satellite option: name

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 BEACON_C

Select Y axis parameter

 Range BIAS
 Time BIAS

Y-Scale: min/max (blank=automatic)

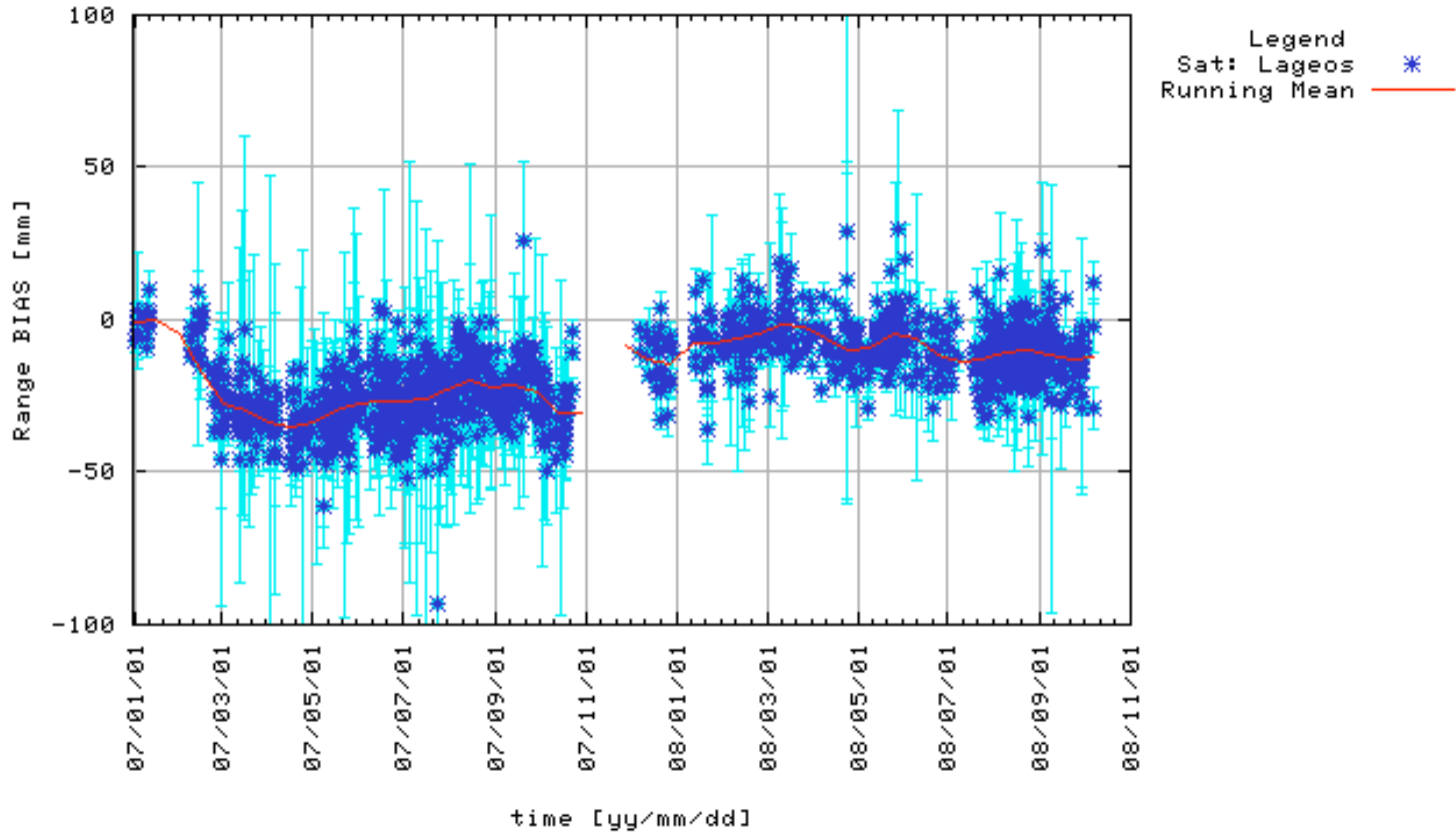
X-Scale: min/max (blank=automatic)

View Running Mean (available only for X-axis = Time)

 Enable
 Box [days]
 Step [days]
 (blank = 0)

View plot

Range BIAS [mm] vs time [yy/mm/dd]





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2008 / 01 / 01

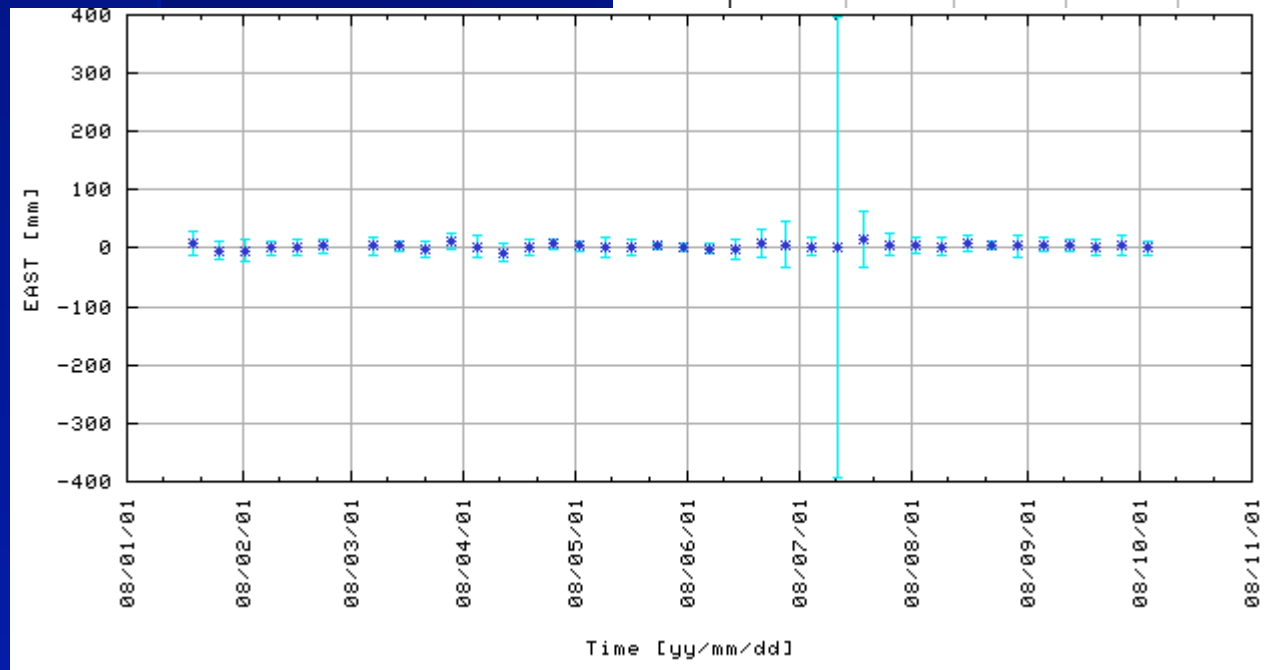
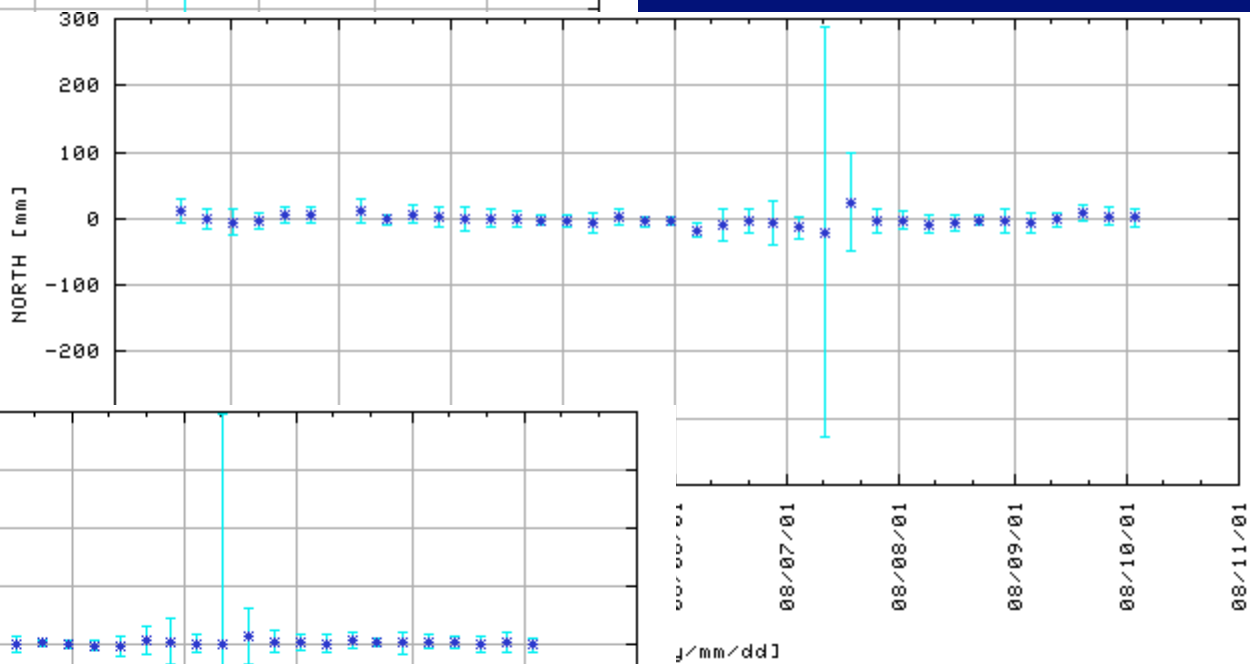
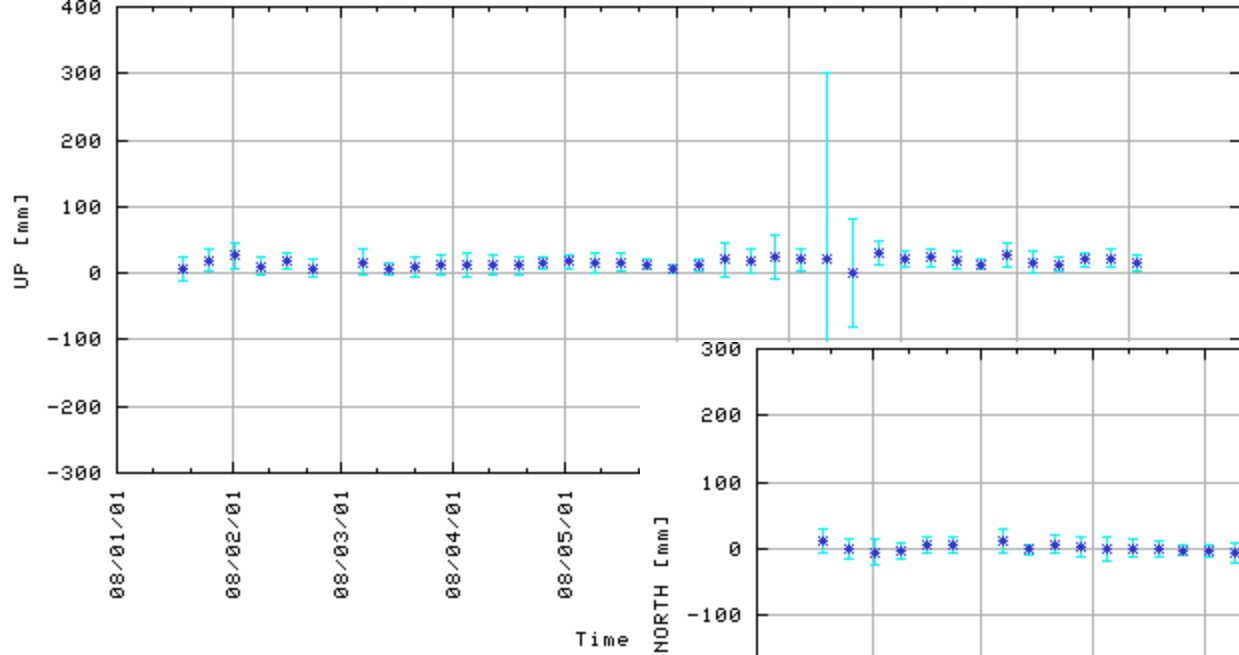
STOP date: Year/Month/Day
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Select Y axis parameter
 X-Y-Z Up-East-North

Y-Scale: min/max (blank=automatic)
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View plot

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08/07/01
08/08/01
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08/10/01
08/11/01

mm/dd

Lesson learned, and conclusions

- Improve interaction between DA, EN and OP
- Web based monitor system on line and working
- Better understanding of the system
- Clear identification of issues
- Still a lot to be done...