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**EPN reprocessed daily data analysis.
Interpretation of disturbances caused by selected factors**



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Data

Daily solution (X, Y, Z and B, L, h) from 180 EPN stations from period 1994-2007 reprocessed using Bernese 5.0 (some incomplete)

Main goals

- Which factors cause disturbances in daily solutions on EPN stations?
- What are the reasons of errors – non-periodic disturbances (preparing data for further time and frequency analysis f.e. Wavelet Transformation by eliminating those disturbances)
- Do models, methods and parameters used in reprocessing allow us to eliminate ionosphere, tidal... influences?
- What are common features for stations with the most reliable time series? What are the best locations for GPS antennas on EPN stations?

Errors can be divided into:

- errors connected with movement of antenna;
- errors caused by environmental changes
- errors from reprocessing.

Comparison with other techniques or other GPS antennas in the close area.

Strategy of processing (models, parameters...) – Bernese 5.0

- **Basic Observable:** carrier phase only;
- **Elevation angle cutoff:** 3 degrees, elevation dependent weighting with $\cos(z)$;
- **Only GPS observations;**
- **Sampling rate:** 30 sec for data screening, 180 sec for final solution;
- **Modeled observable:** double-differences, ionosphere-free linear combination;
- **Ground and Satellite antenna phase center calibrations:**
 - IGS05 model (exceptions for some stations);
- **Troposphere:**

Dry-Niell as a priori model, estimation of zenith delay corrections at 1-hour intervals for each station.

Horizontal gradient parameter estimated for each station per day (TILTING), no a priori constraints.

Compute daily TRO files with cumulative coordinates input from weekly solution.

Saastamoinen-based dry component mapped with the Dry-Niell mapping function used as a priori model.

The Wet-Niell mapping function used to map the wet component.

Corrections to a priori model constrained to 5.0 m (abs) and 5.0 m (rel).

Estimate troposphere parameter in 1 hour intervals, save in daily normal equations and create from these the weekly solution.

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- **Ionosphere:**

CODE global iono models (help to increase the number of resolved ambiguities in the QIF, the L5/L3 and the L1/L2 ambiguity resolution);

For the final adjustment, ionosphere was canceled out due to ionosphere-free linear combination used.

- **Rejection criteria:**

Daily RINEX observation files containing less than 50 percent of possible observation epochs are ignored.

The described two-step preprocessing method eliminates outliers.

Rejection Criterion of L3 outliers: 0.0020 m (normalized L1 zero-difference zenith value).

- **Satellite clock corrections:**

Not estimated, but biases eliminated by forming double differences.

- **Receiver clock corrections:**

Estimated as part of the biases preprocessing using code measurements, finally eliminated by forming double differences.

Strategy of processing (models, parameters...) – Bernese 5.0

- **Orbits and ERPs:** MDA orbits and ERPs;

FESG/IPG REPROCESSING also using SATELLITE PROBLEMS from IGS reprocessing

(Steigenberger, P, M., Rothacher, R. Dietrich, M. Fritsche, A. Rülke, and S. Vey (2006).

Reprocessing of a global GPS network. Journal of Geophysical Research. Vol. 111, B05402);

- **Ambiguity:**

QIF strategy used to resolve ambiguities in a baseline processing mode using **CODE** global iono models (for baselines up to 2000 km length);

For baseline lengths shorter than 100 km - **L5/L3** approach;

For baselines shorter than 10 km - **L1/L2** approach.

MODELS:

Planetary ephemeris: **DE405**

Ocean tides: **OT_CSRC**

The Earth geopotential is modeled using: **JGM3**

Nutation model: **IAU2000**

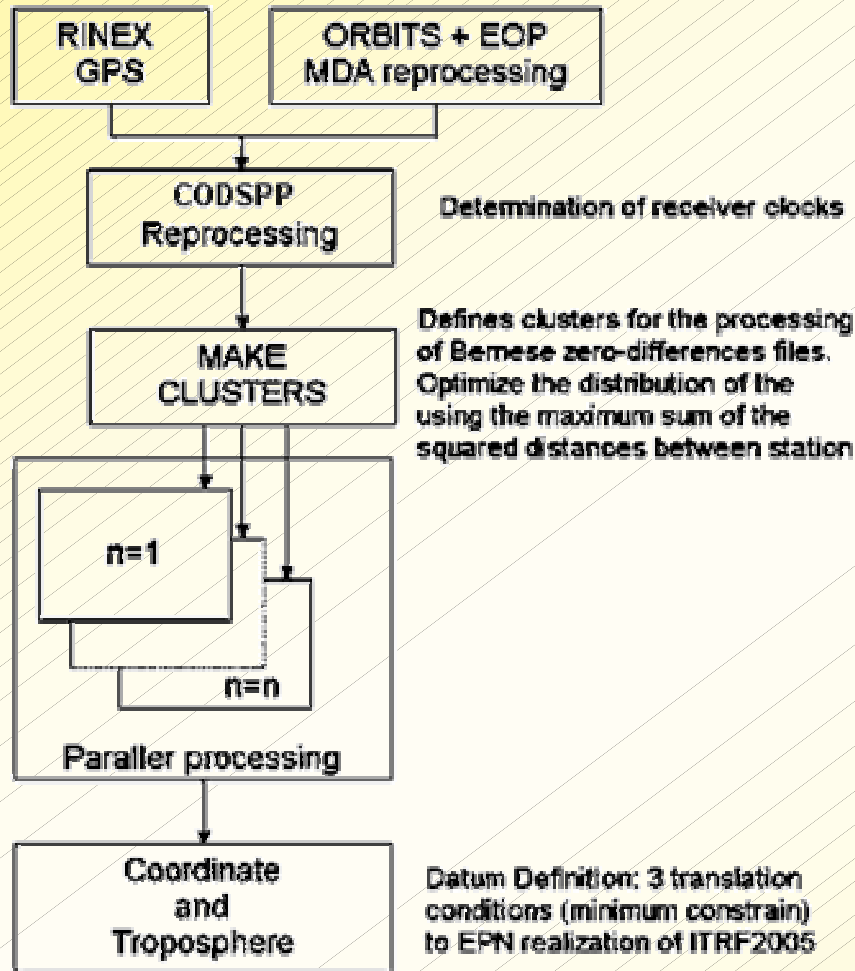
Subdaily pole model: **IERS2000**

Tidal displacements: Solid tides: according to the **IERS 1996/2000** standards

Ocean loading model: **FES2004**

Strategy of processing (models, parameters...) – Bernese 5.0

PROCESSING SCHEME : 1 - DAY SOLUTION



Data EPN reprocessing method

Parallel processing is the only way to decrease time of getting solutions.

We used MKCLUS (Bernese 5.0).

Every subnetwork created in MKCLUS consisted of about 50 stations.

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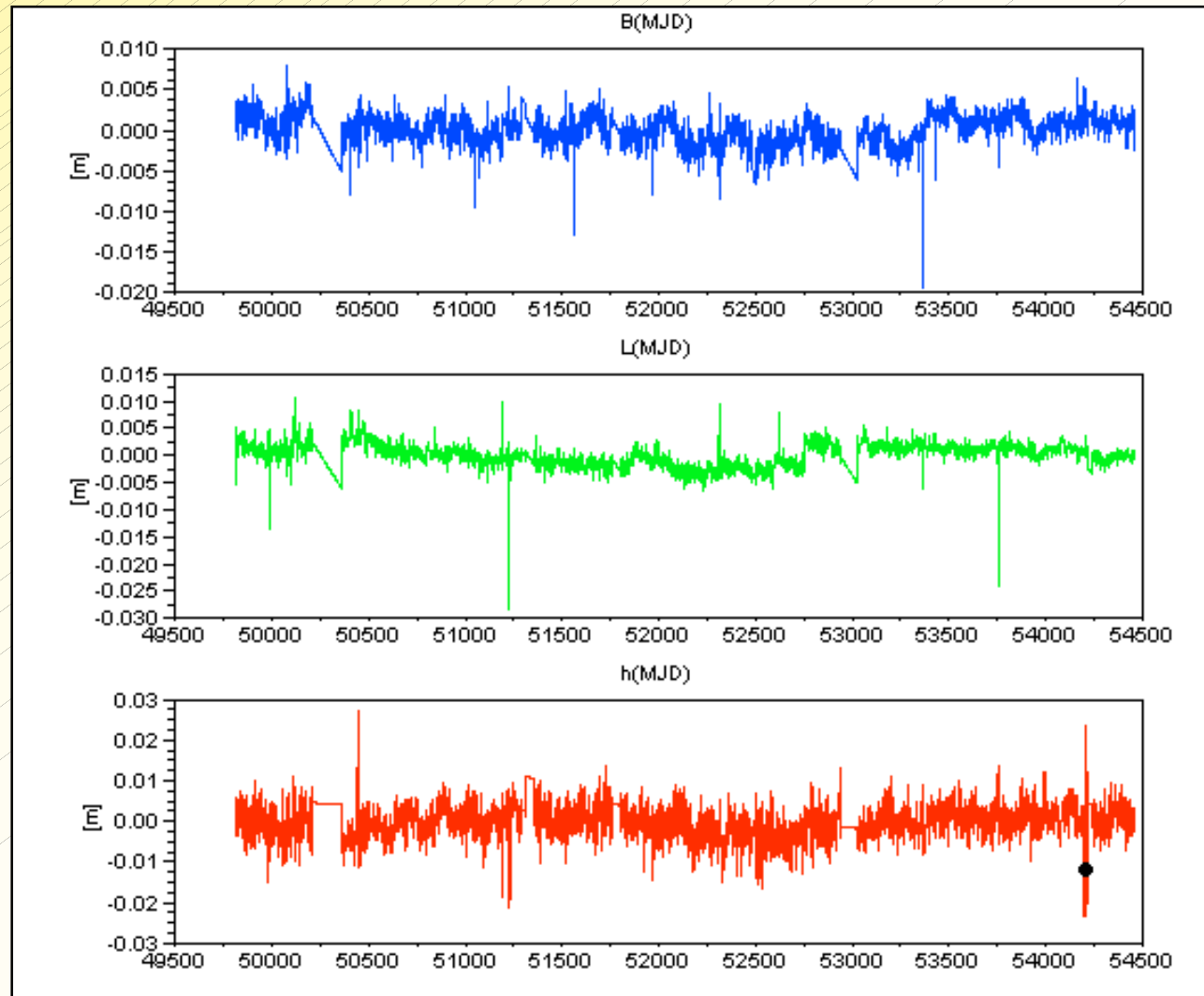
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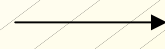
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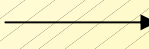


Station **GRAS** (France): receiver's change:

TRIMBLE 4000SSI

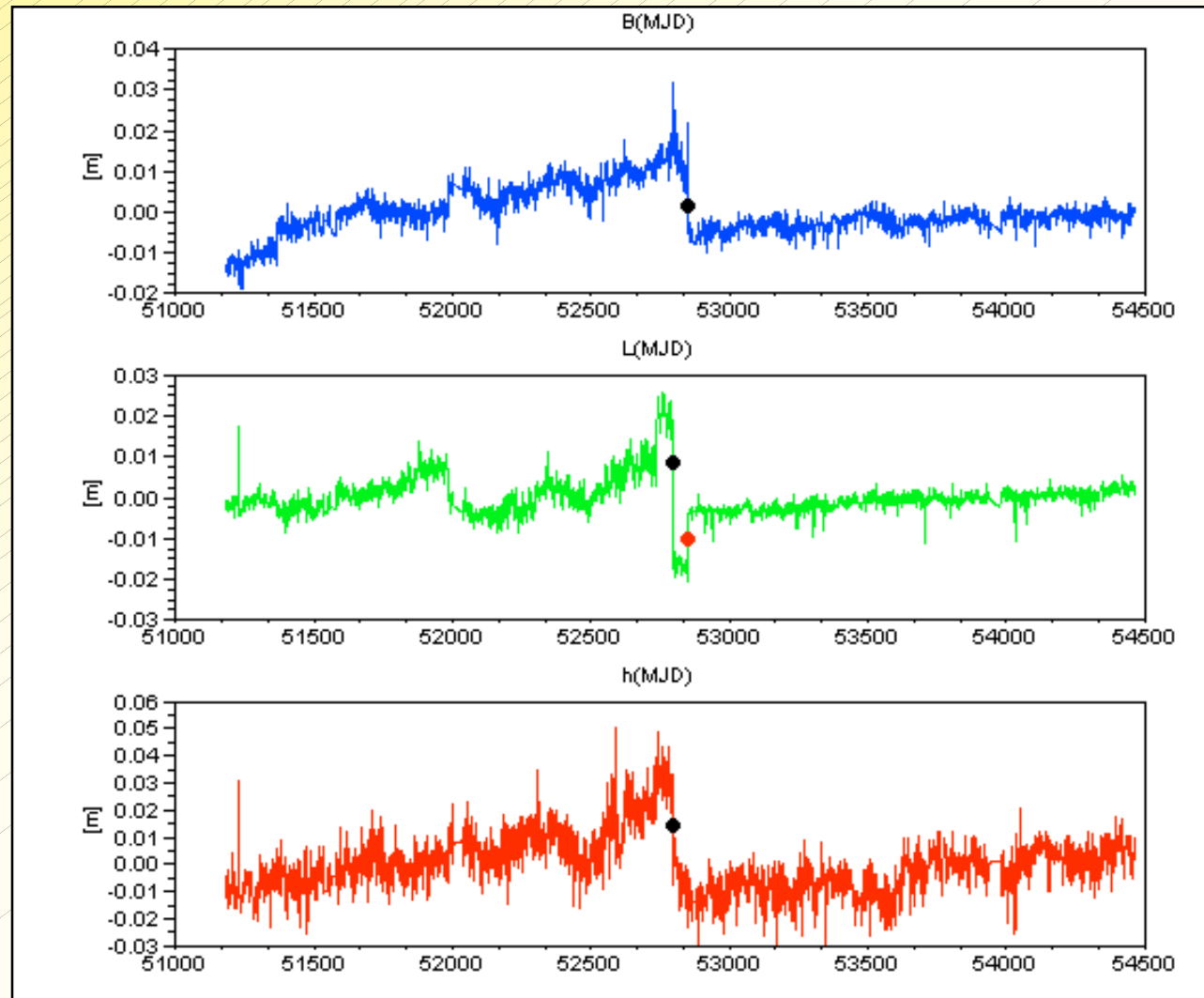


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Station CREU (Spain):

change of broken radome – identical new one (antenna type - TRM29659.00)

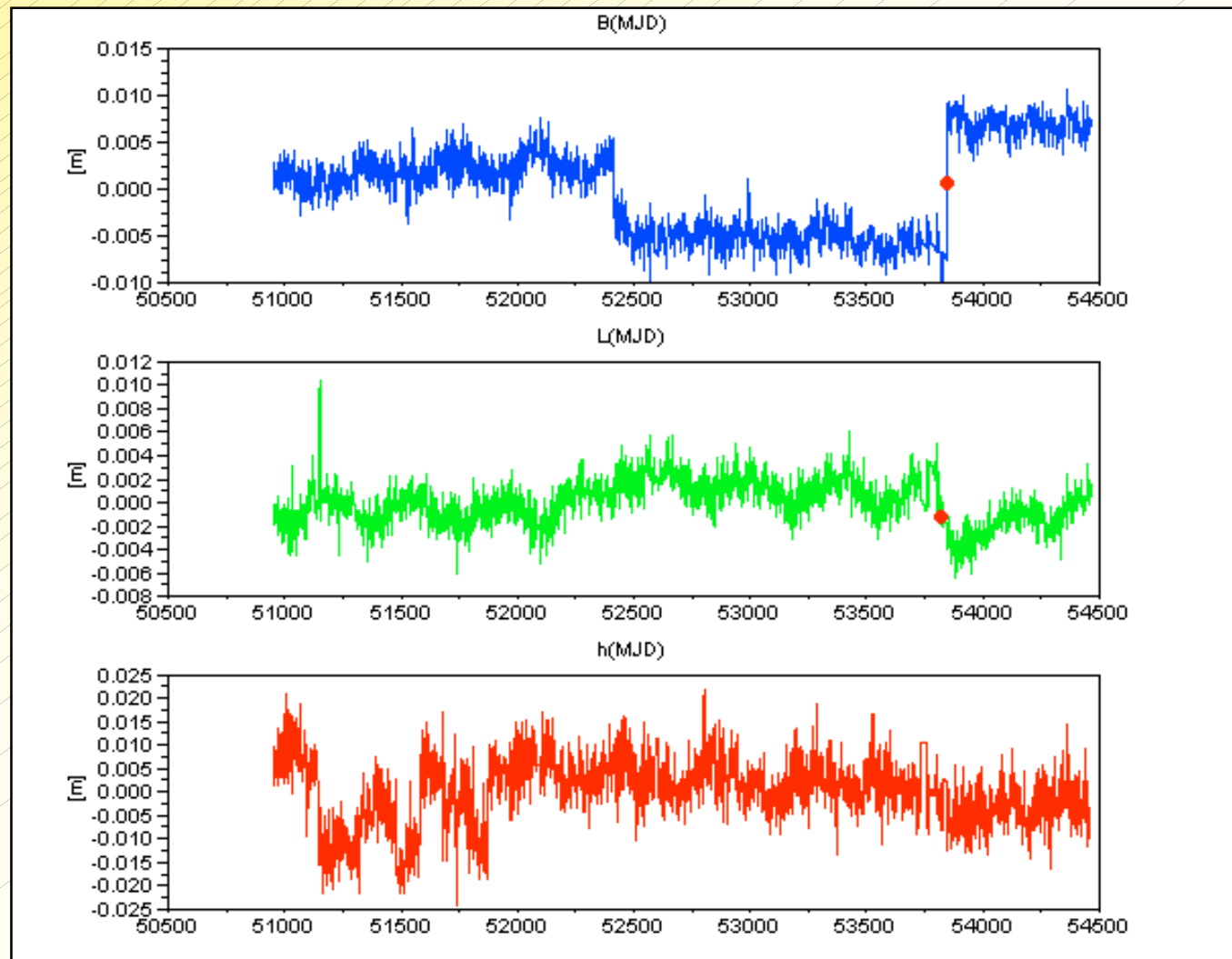
change of antenna's type: TRM29659.00 DOME \longrightarrow TRM41249.00 NONE

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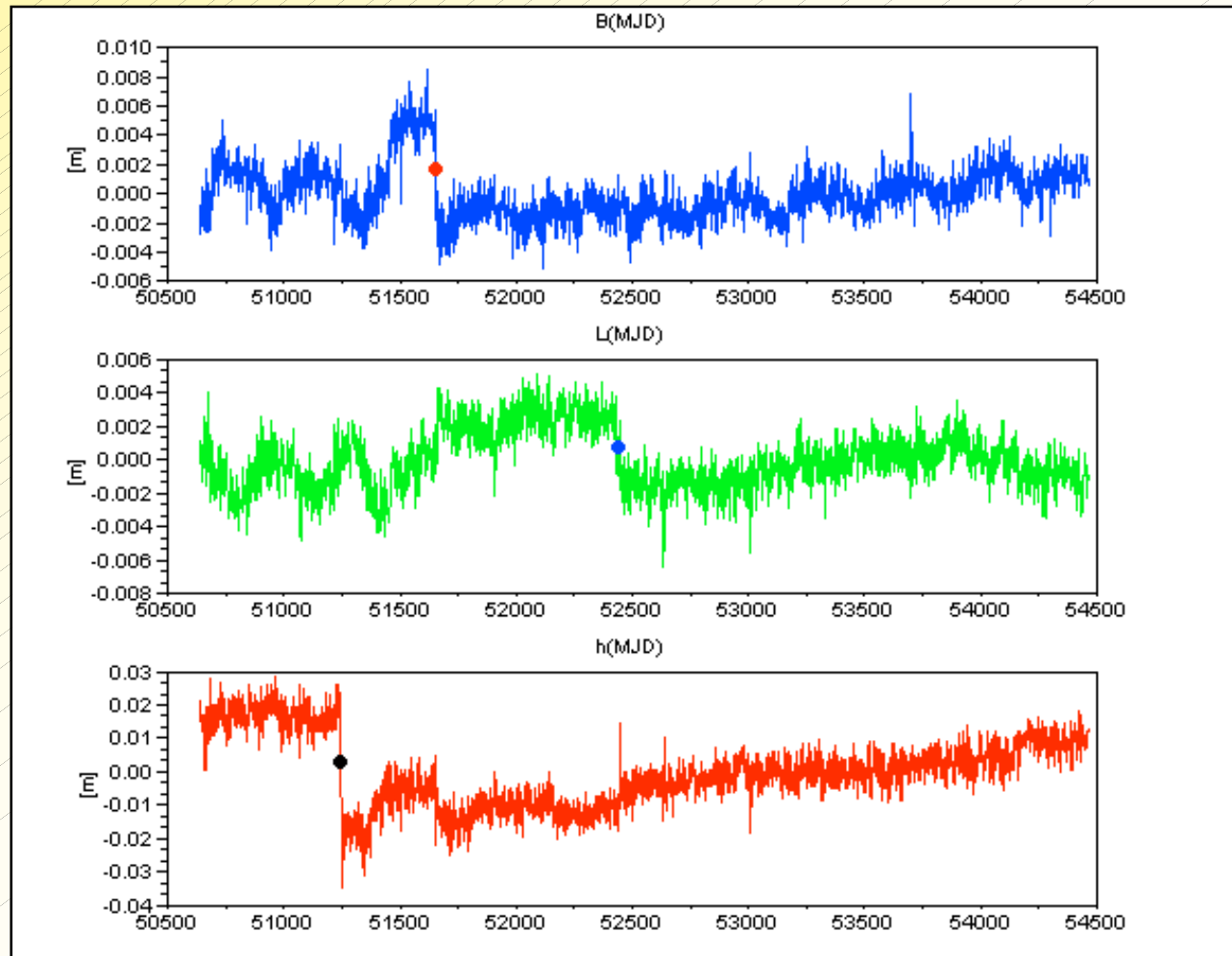
Station **UNPG** (Italy): change of receiver's type: ASHTECH Z-XII3 → TPS ODYSSEY_E
change of antenna's type: ASH700936D_M NONE → JPSREGANT_DD_E NONE

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Station HOBU (Germany)

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Station HOBU (Germany):

change of antenna's type: TRM22020.00+GP DOME → TRM14532.00 NONE

TRM23903.00 NONE → TRM29659.00 SNOW

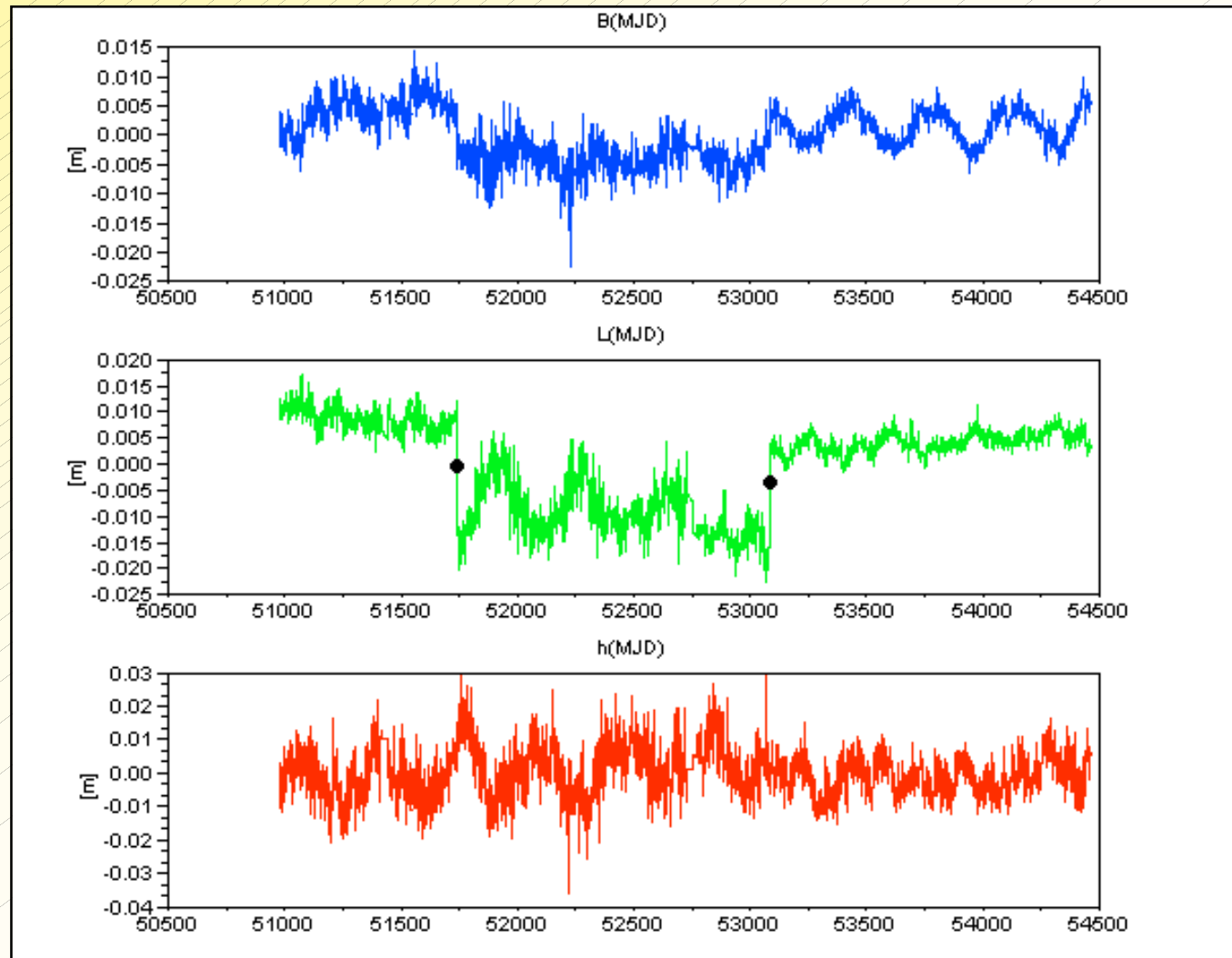
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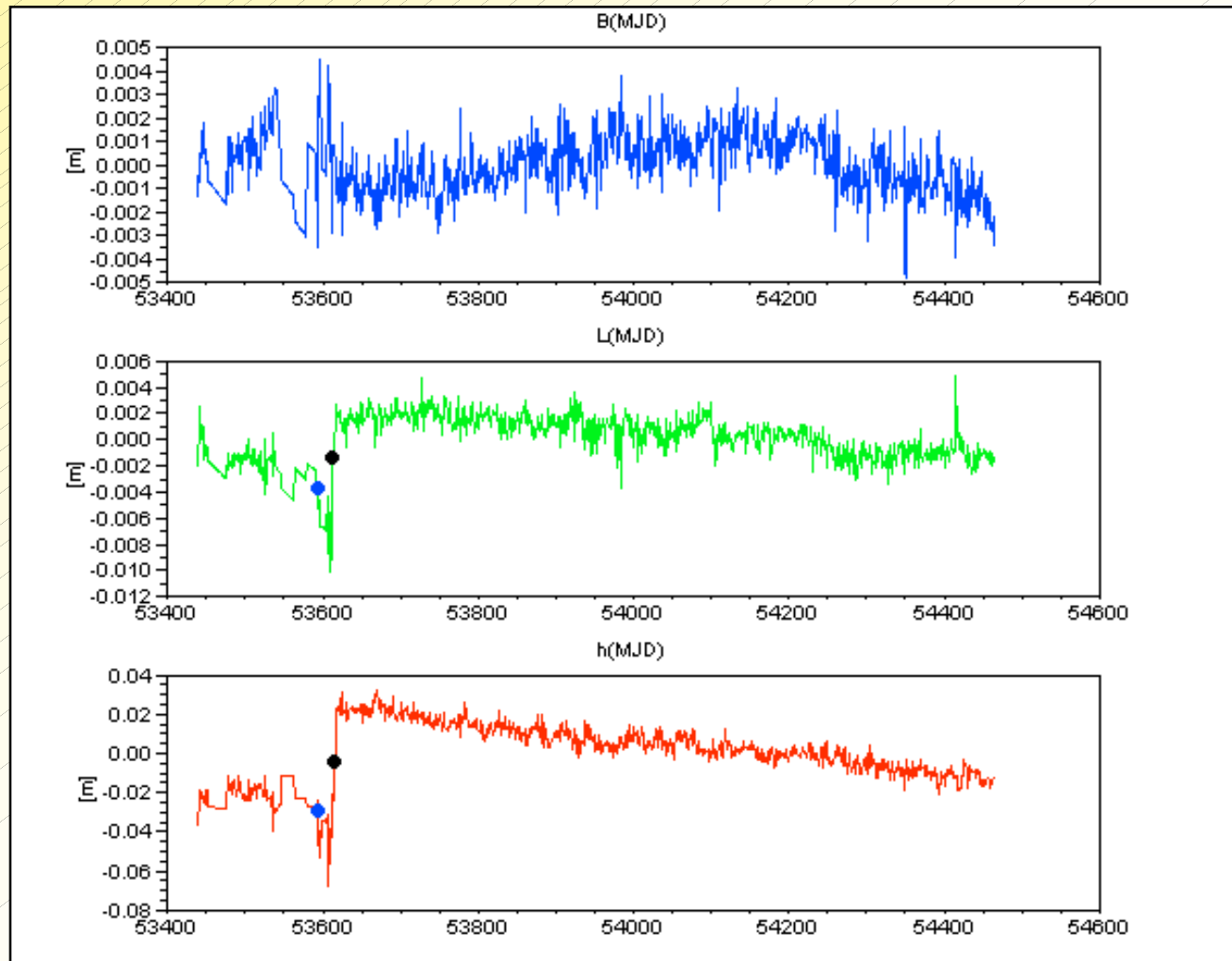
change of antenna: ASH701945B_M SNOW → ASH701945B_M SNOW (the same type)

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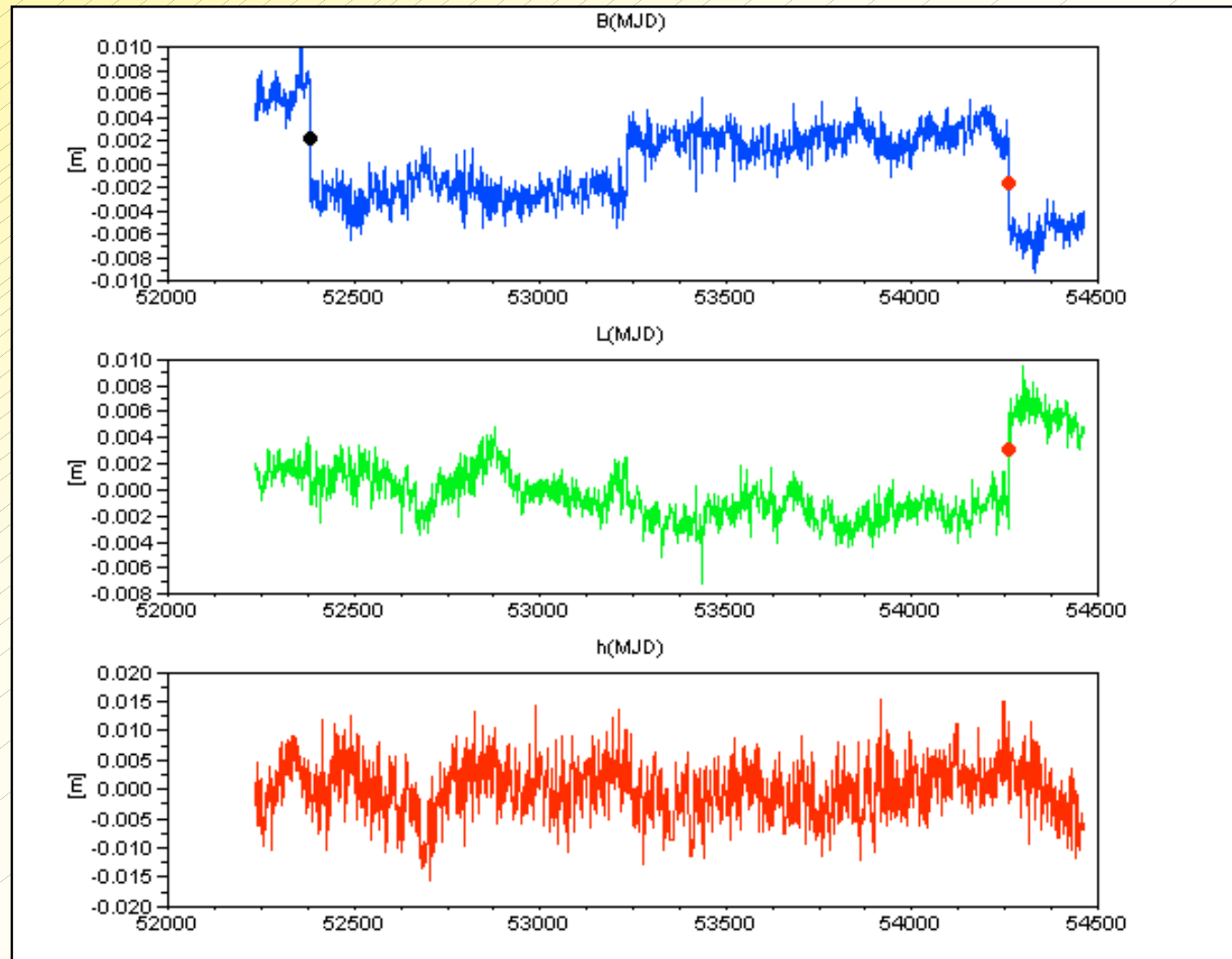
change of receiver's type: ASHTECH UZ-12 → ASHTECH Z18
change of receiver's type: ASHTECH Z18 → TPS GB-1000
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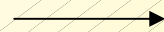
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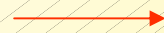
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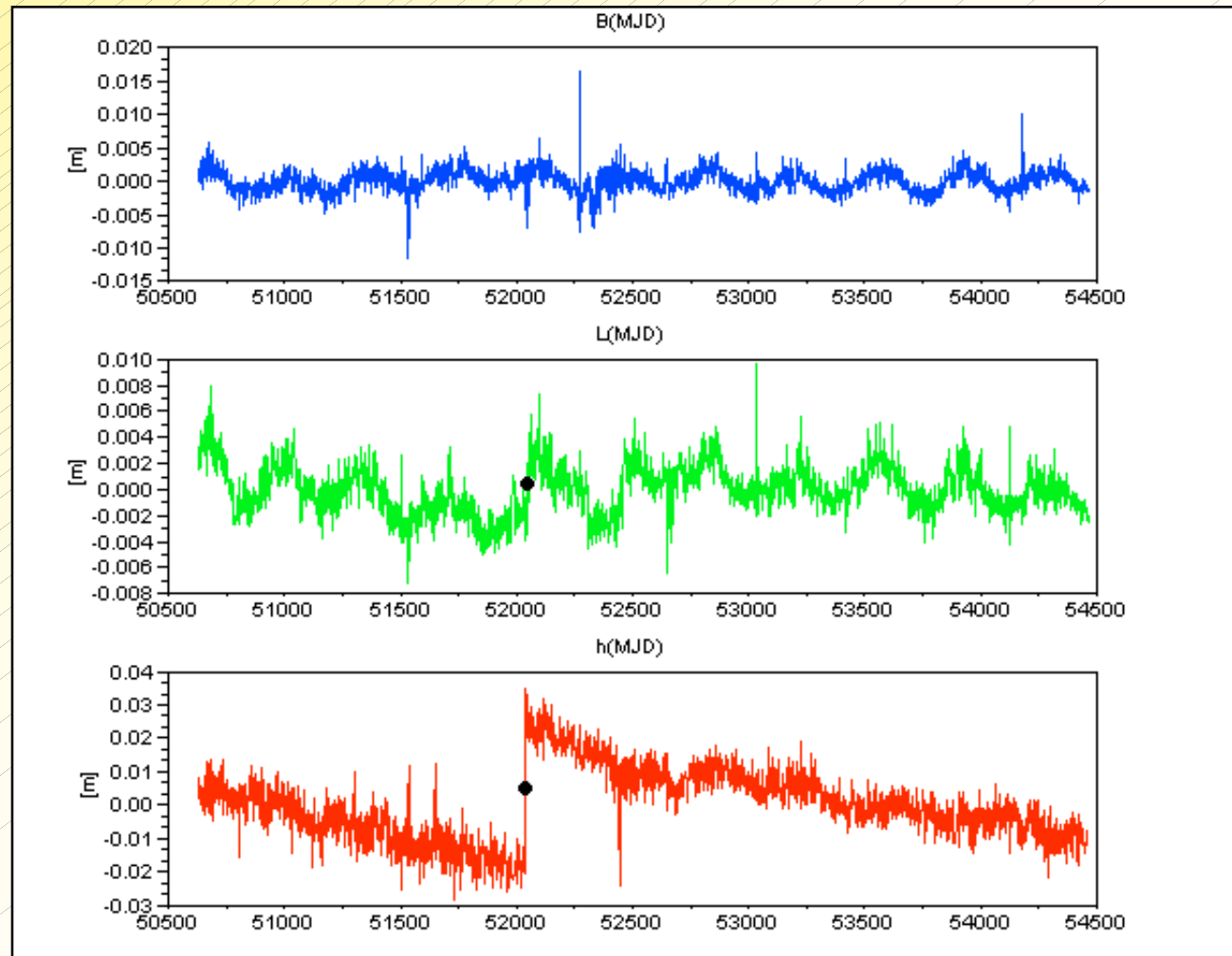
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Station KARL (Germany)

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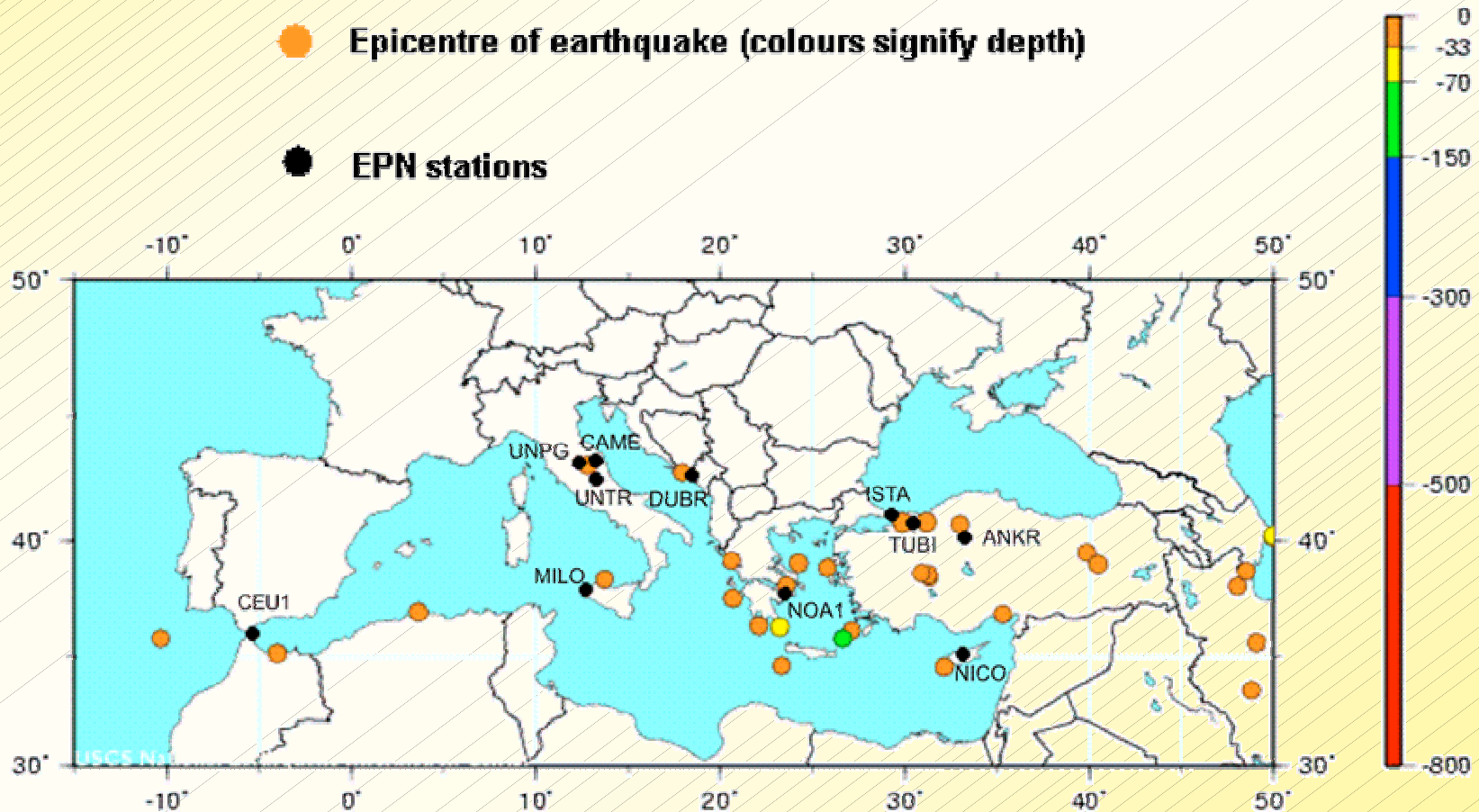
Station KARL (Germany): change of antenna's type: TRM22020.00+GP DOME → TRM29659.00 NONE

CONCLUSION: Modifications on station may cause serious changes in solutions – they have to be taken into consideration before further analysis.

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2004 02 24	35.142	-3.997	6.4	CEU1*
1997 09 26	43.084	12.812	6.4	CAME*, UNPG*, UNTR*
2002 09 06	38.381	13.701	6.0	MILO*
1996 09 05	42.803	17.936	6.0	DUBR*
2001 07 26	39.059	24.244	6.5	NOA1*
1999 08 17	40.748	29.864	7.6	TUBI
2000 06 06	40.693	32.992	6.0	ANKR
1996 10 09	34.556	32.126	6.8	NICO*

* lack of data

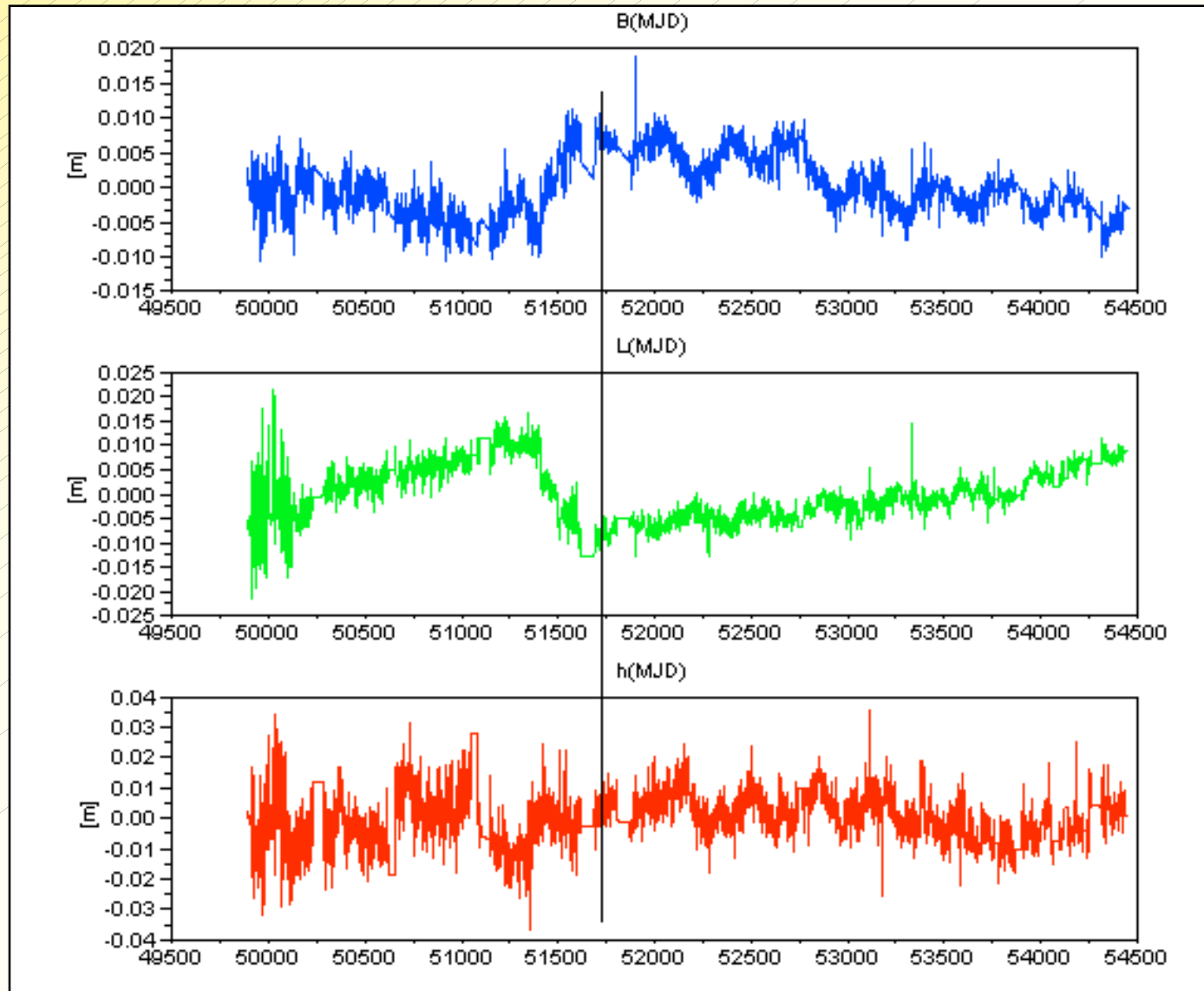
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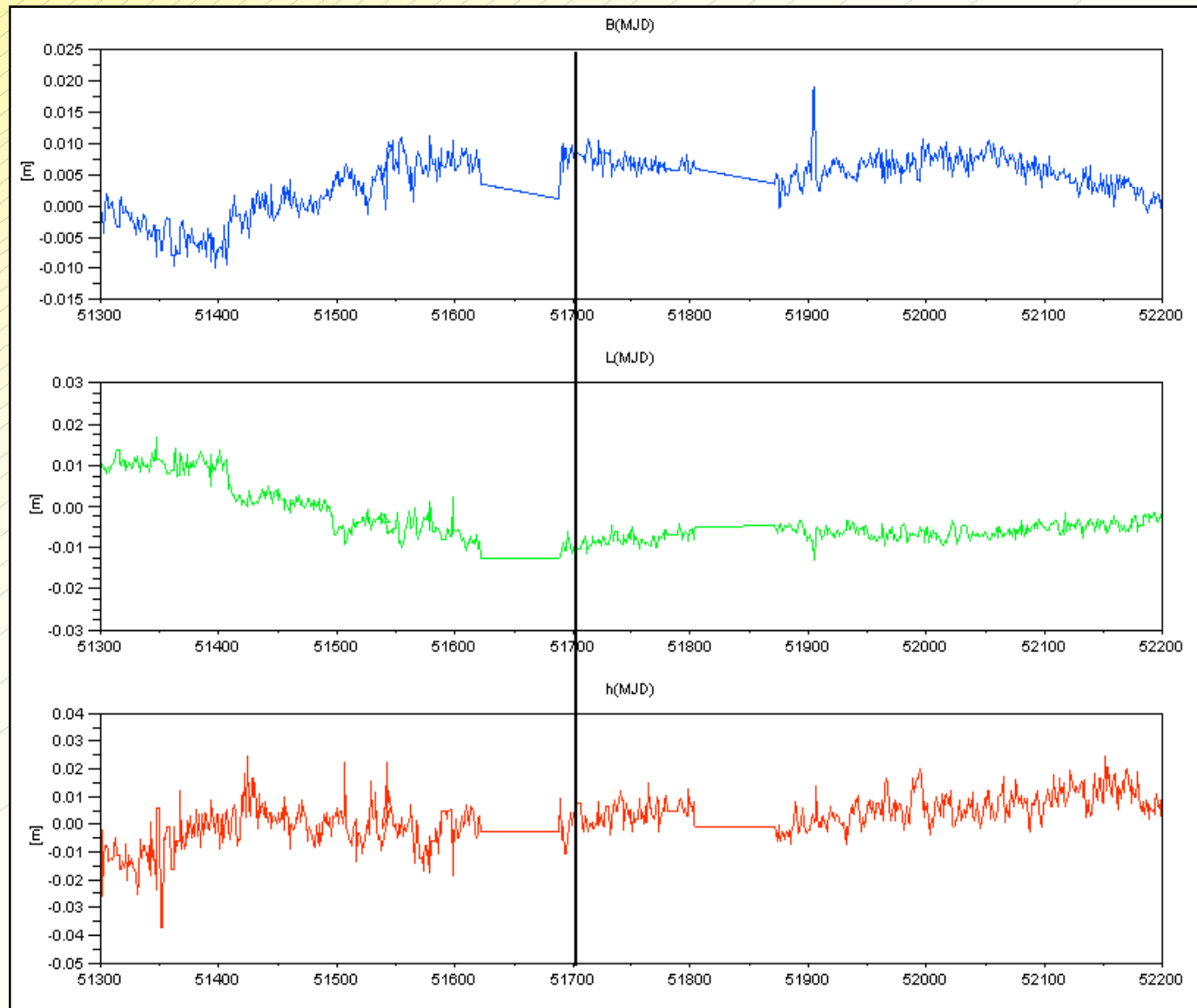
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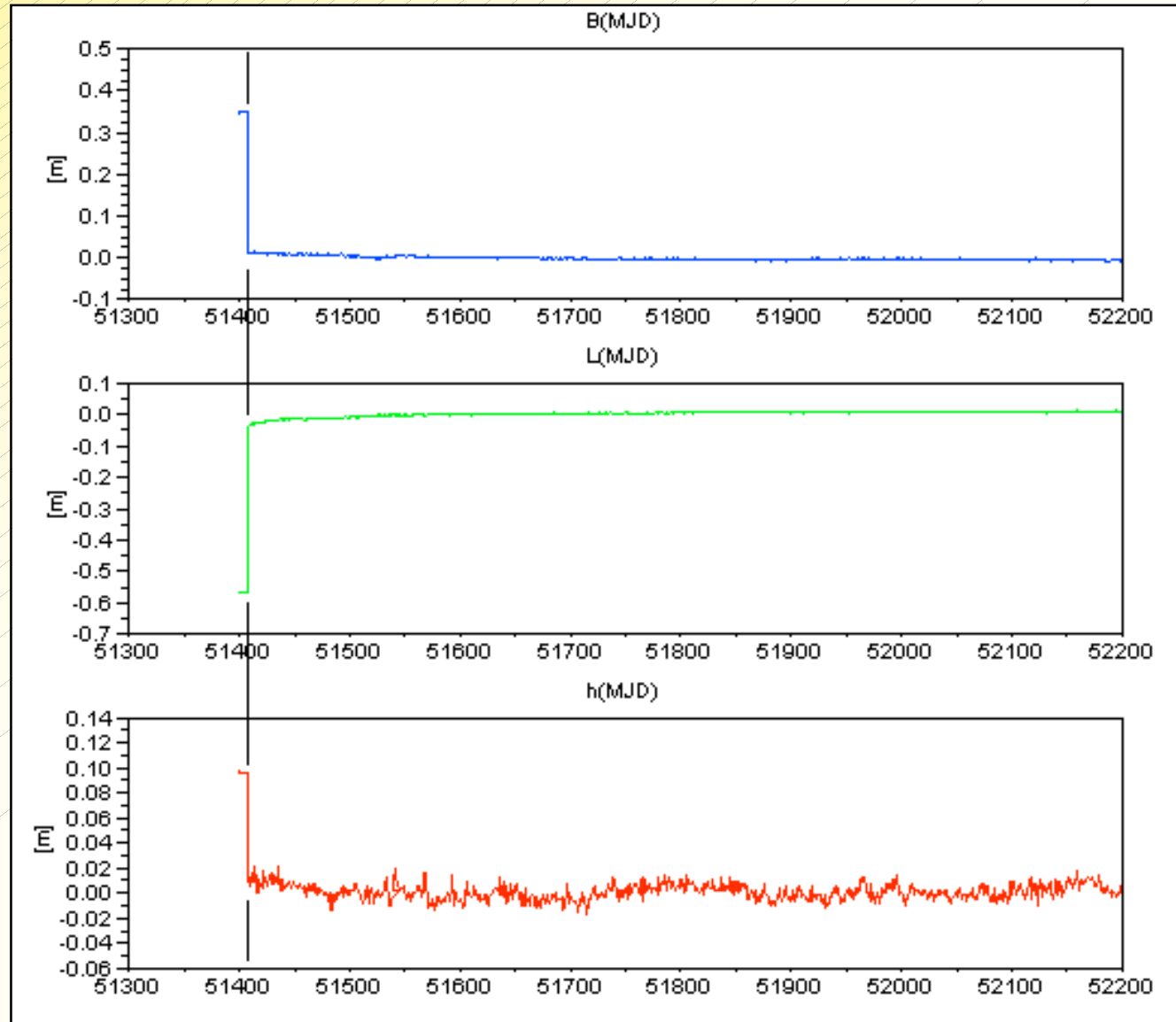
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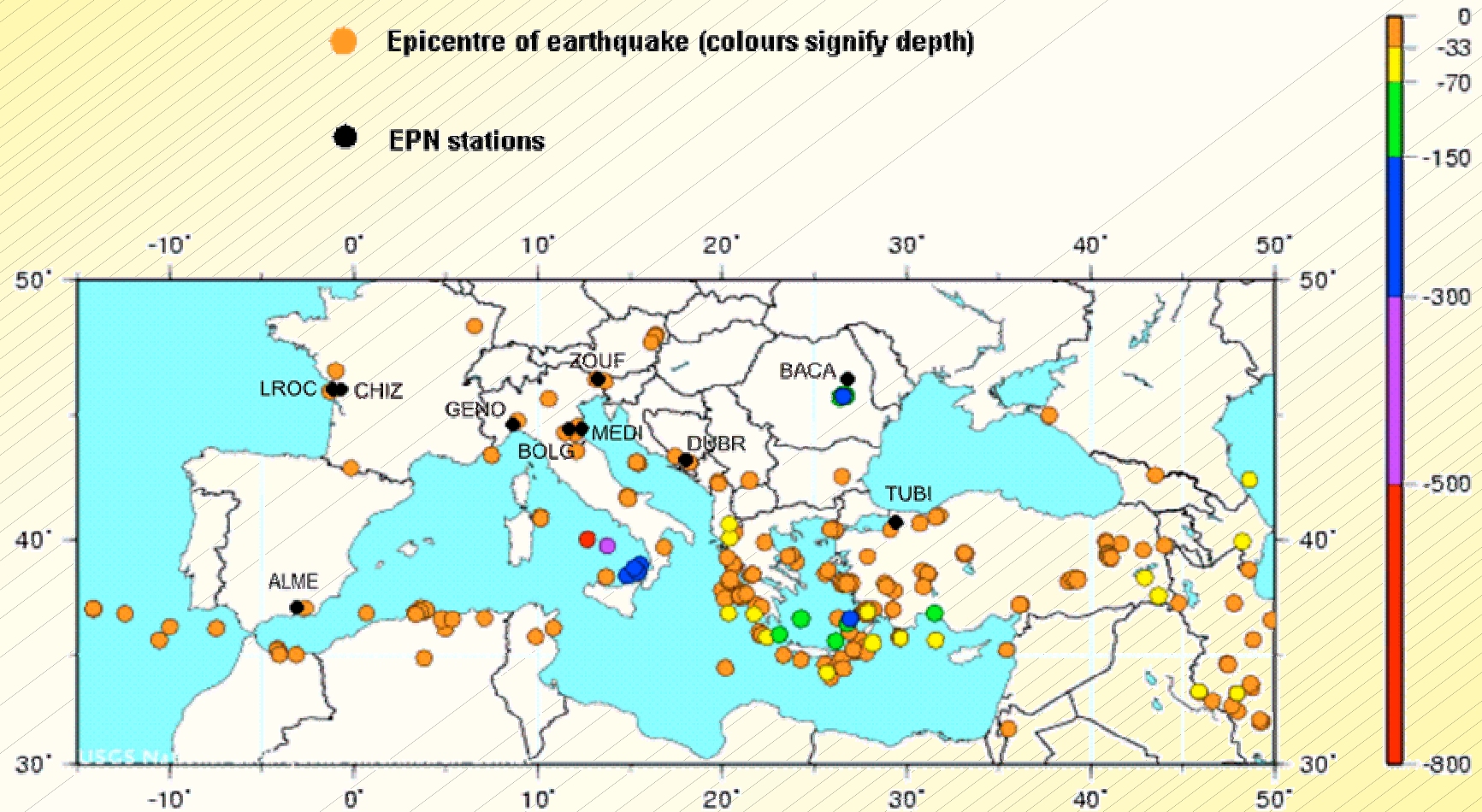
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Station TUBI (Turkey); date of earthquake – 17th August 1999, $M=7.6$, $L(st, ep) = 42$ km



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2002 02 04	37.103	-2.609	5.0	ALME
2001 06 08	46.690	-0.990	5.0	CHIZ
2005 04 18	45.930	-1.310	5.0	LROC
2003 04 11	44.792	8.892	5.0	GENO
2004 10 27	45.787	26.622	5.9	BACA*
2002 02 14	46.374	13.169	5.3	ZOUF*
2006 10 24	40.424	29.107	5.0	TUBI
2000 05 10	44.315	12.002	5.0	BOLG*, MEDI
2003 09 14	44.329	11.450	5.3	BOLG*, MEDI
2004 05 23	43.406	17.447	5.0	DUBR
2005 09 27	43.155	18.203	5.0	DUBR

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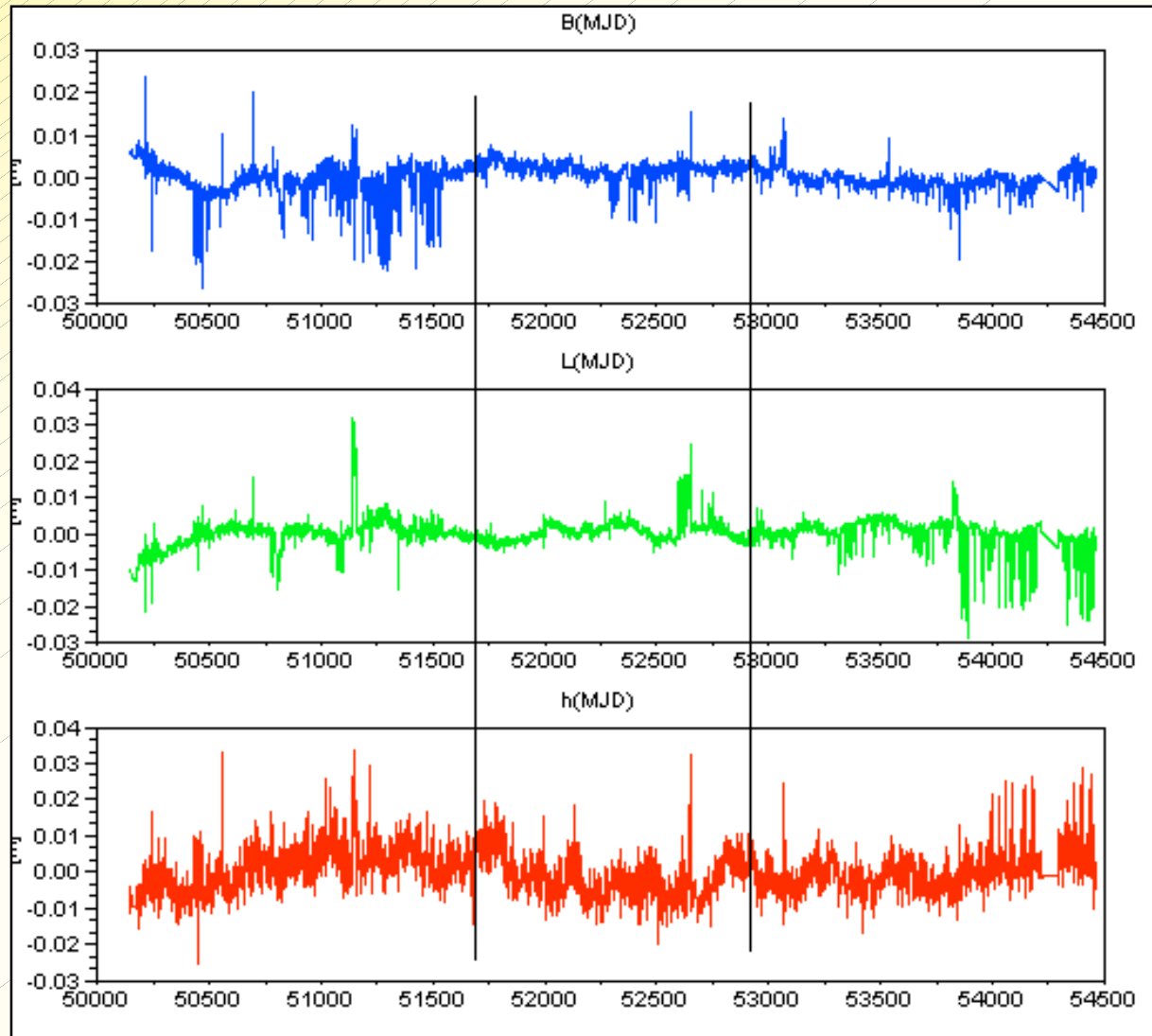
Station MEDI (Italy)



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Station **MEDI** (Italy); date of earthquake – 10th May 2000, $M=5.0$, $L(st, ep) = 36$ km

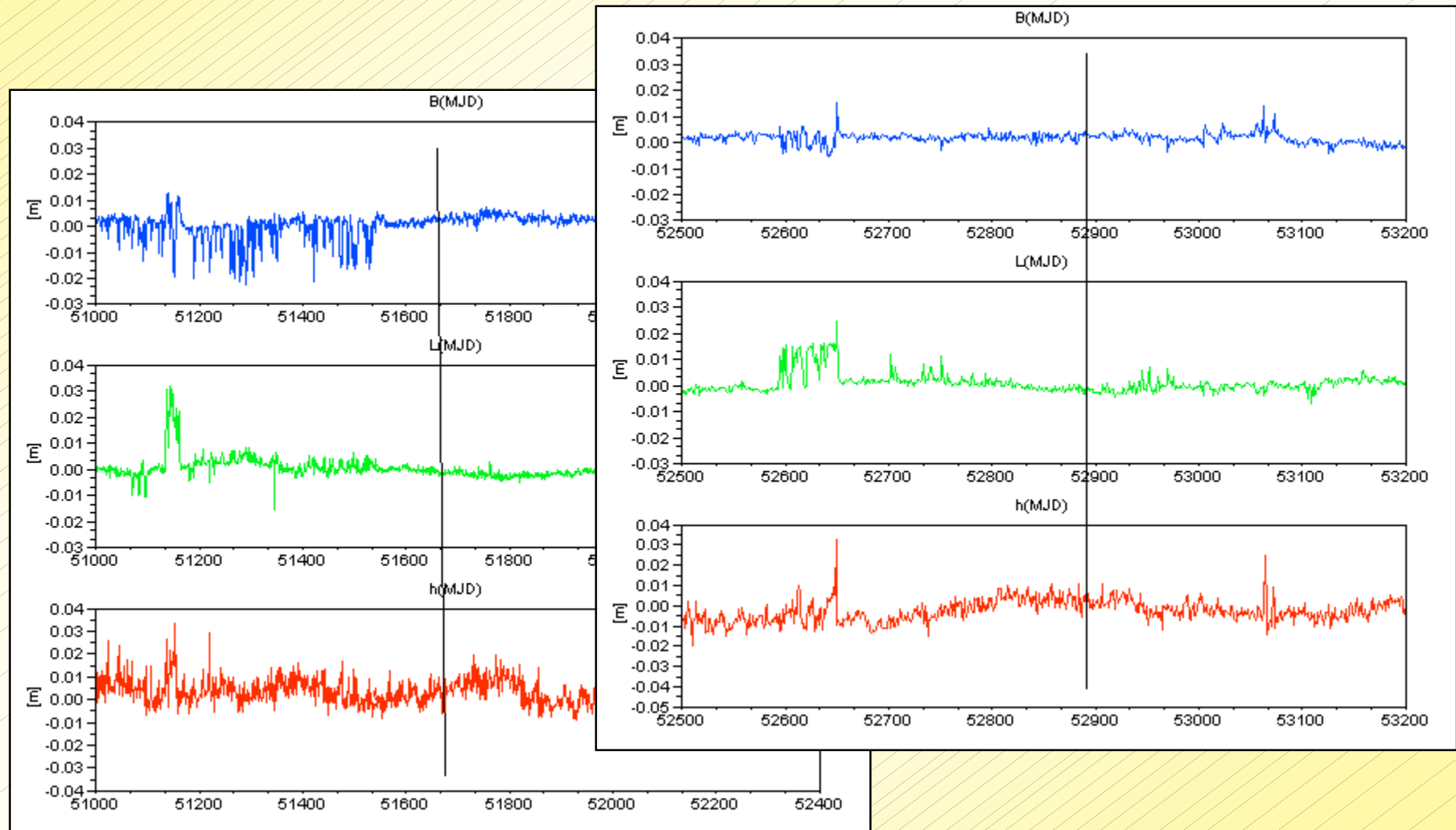
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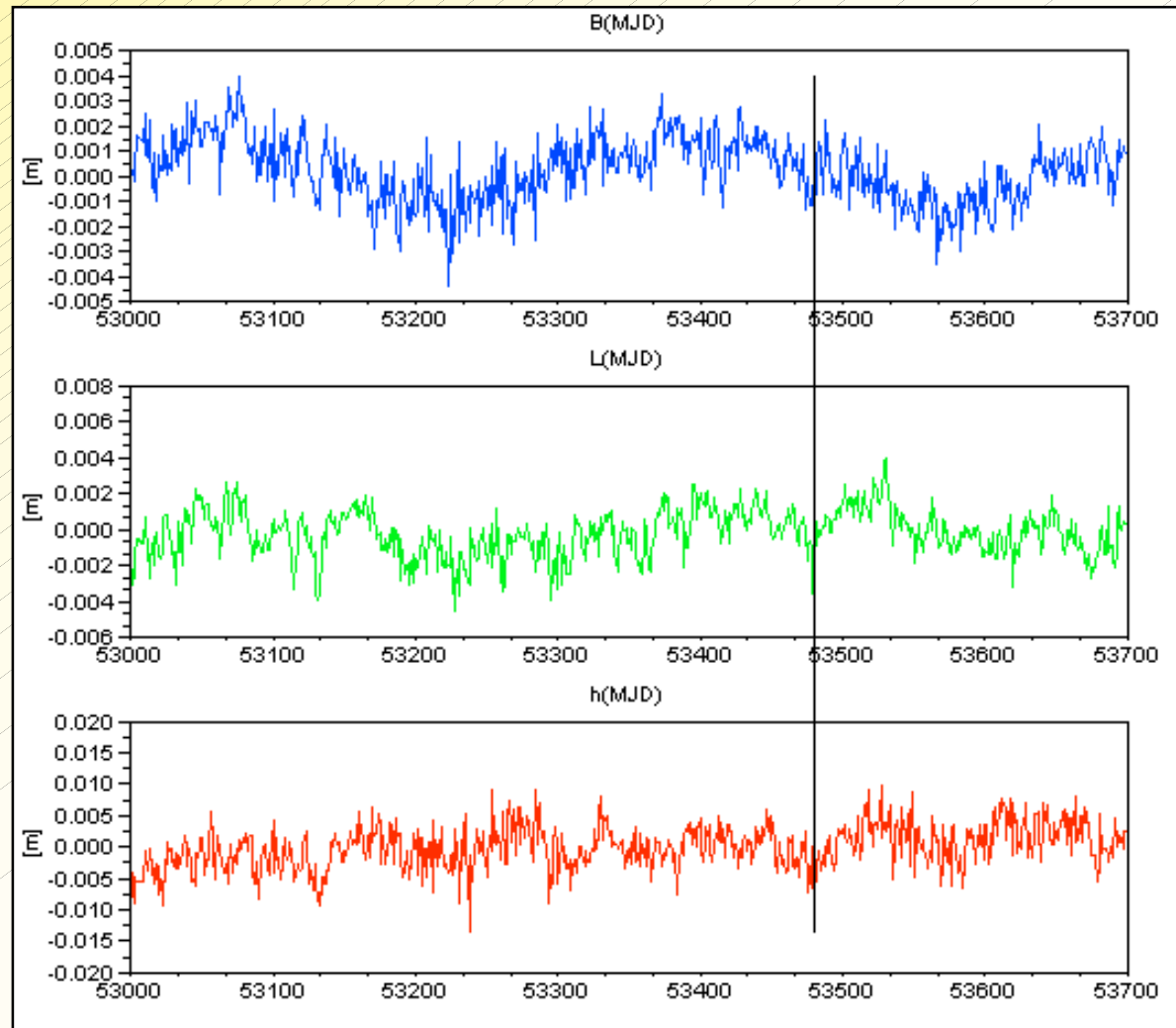
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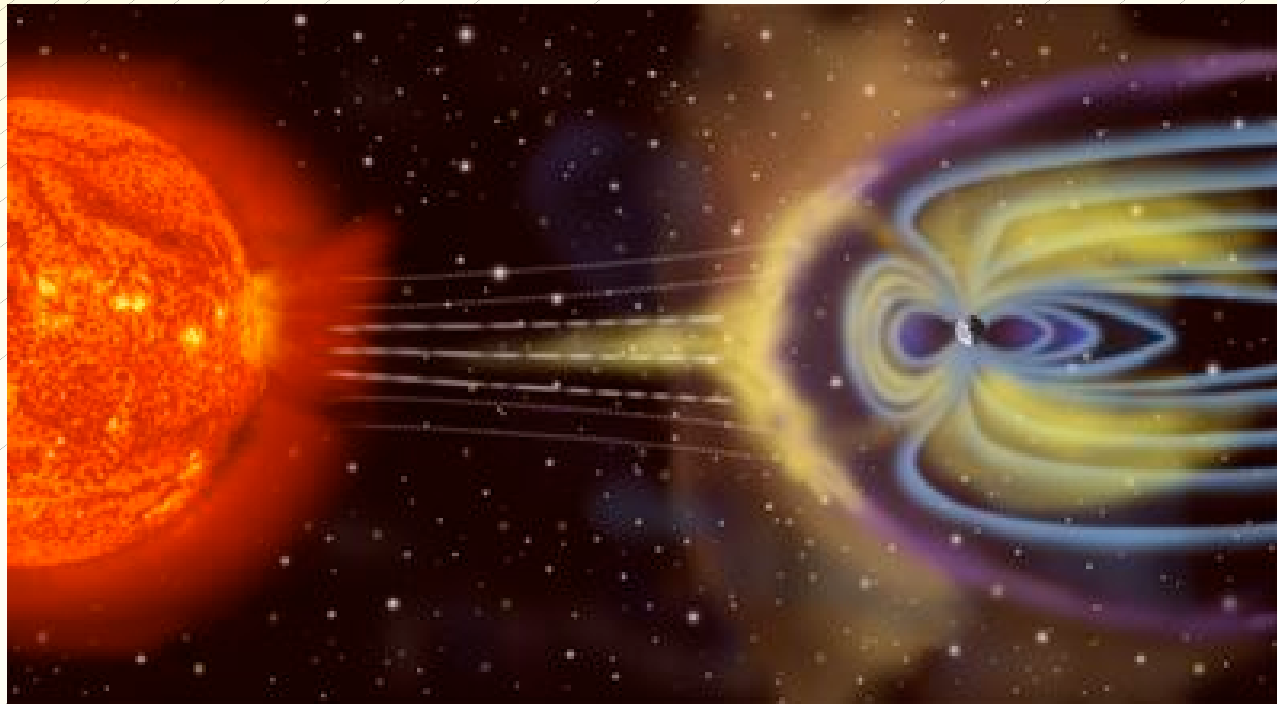
Station LROC (France); date of earthquake – 18th April 2005, $M=5.0$, $L(st, ep) = 19$ km



CONCLUSION: Earthquakes may cause permanent change of station's coordinates, but in general they do not have an influence on daily solution (maybe hourly?).

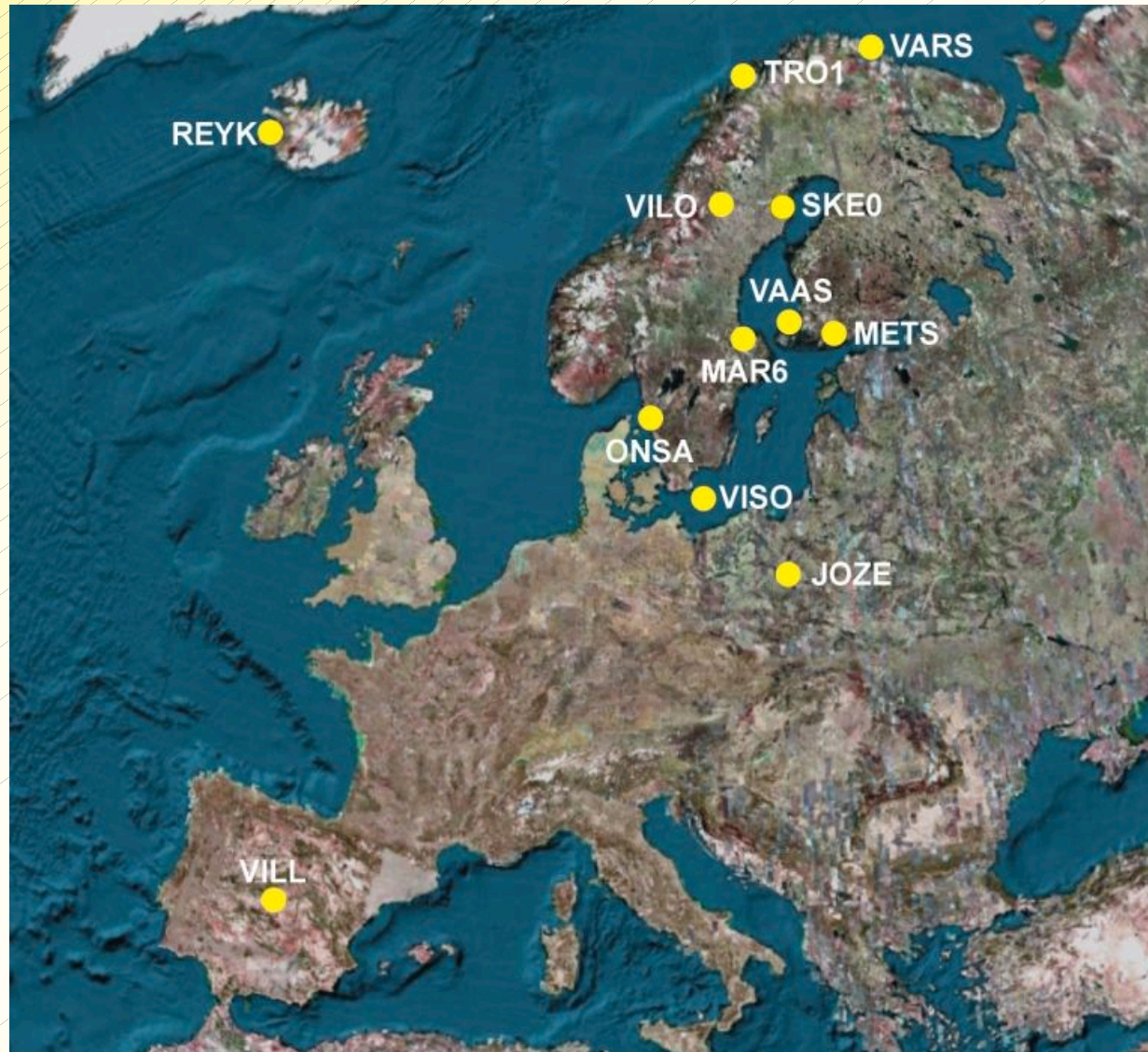
Magnetic storms – huge ionospheric disturbances

A geomagnetic storm is a temporary disturbance of the Earth's magnetosphere caused by a solar wind shock wave associated with solar coronal mass ejections. Usually it strikes the Earth's magnetic field 24 to 36 hours after the event. These solar wind pressure changes modify the electric currents in the ionosphere. Magnetic storms usually last 24 to 48 hours, but some may last for many days. As an example we analyzed solutions from station mainly situated in Northern Europe from period 29 X – 7 XI 2003, when very strong geomagnetic storm took place. It caused many problems with proper operation of different satellites.



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Magnetic field's shape ionospheric storms could especially affects northern stations.



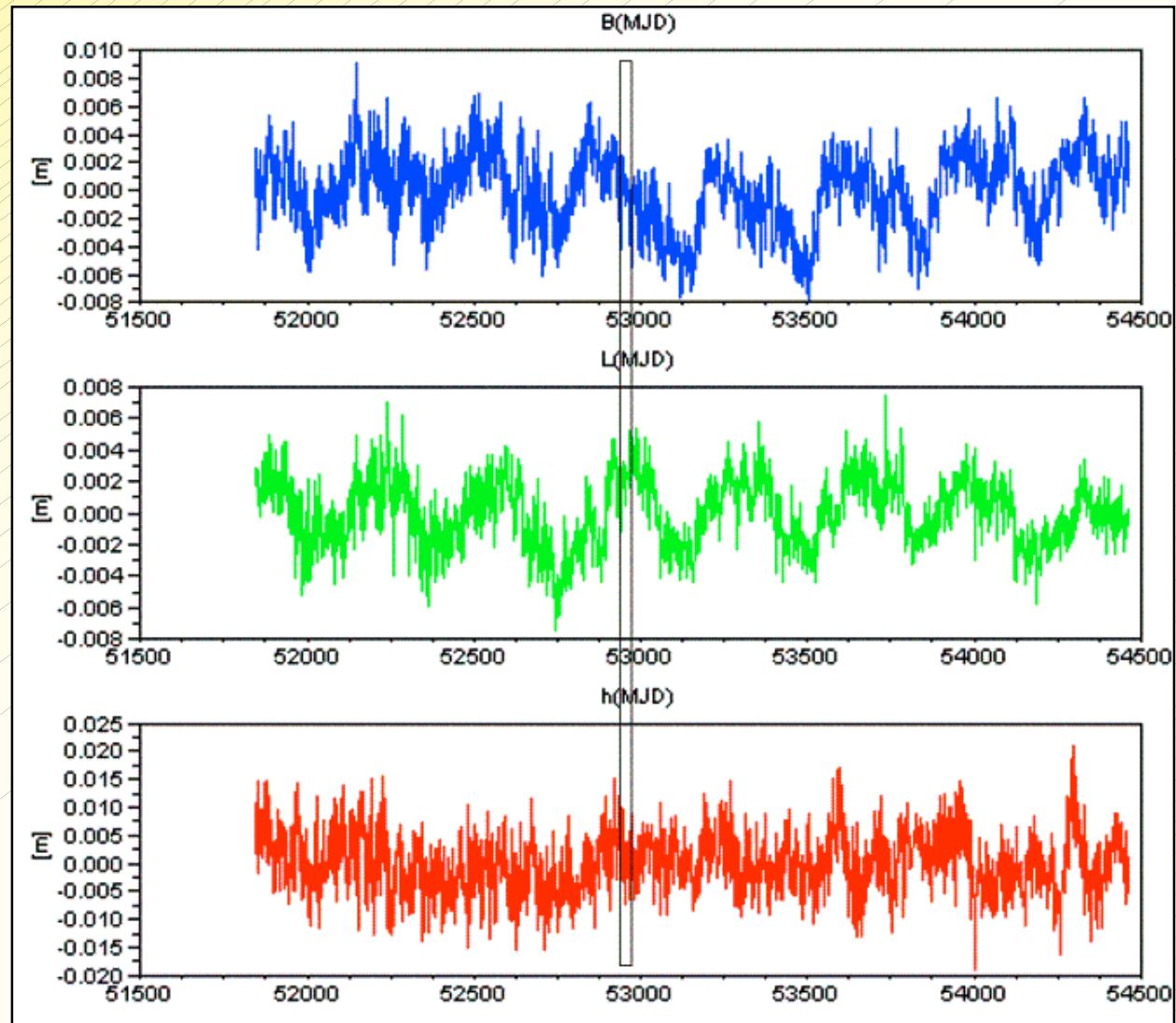
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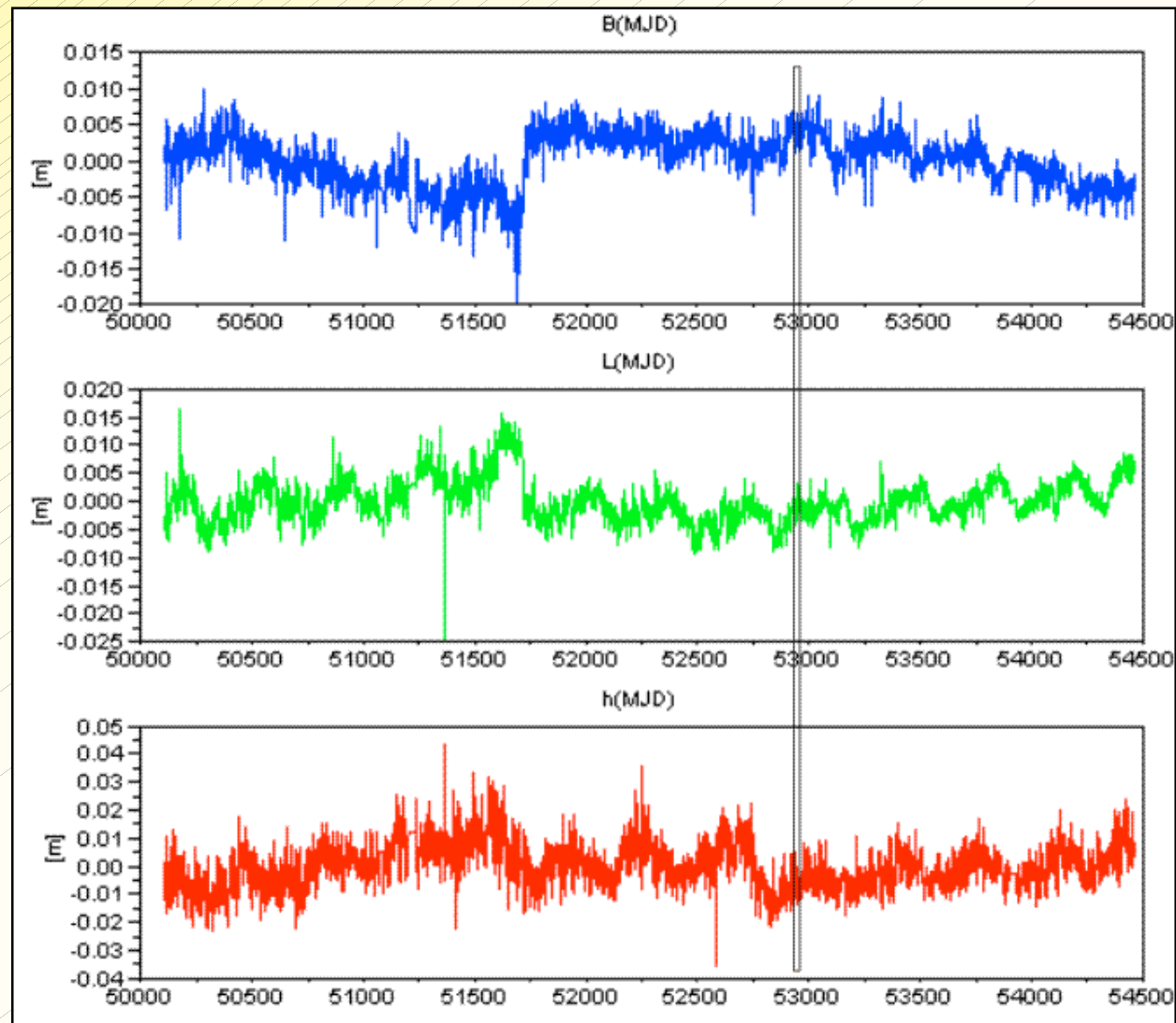
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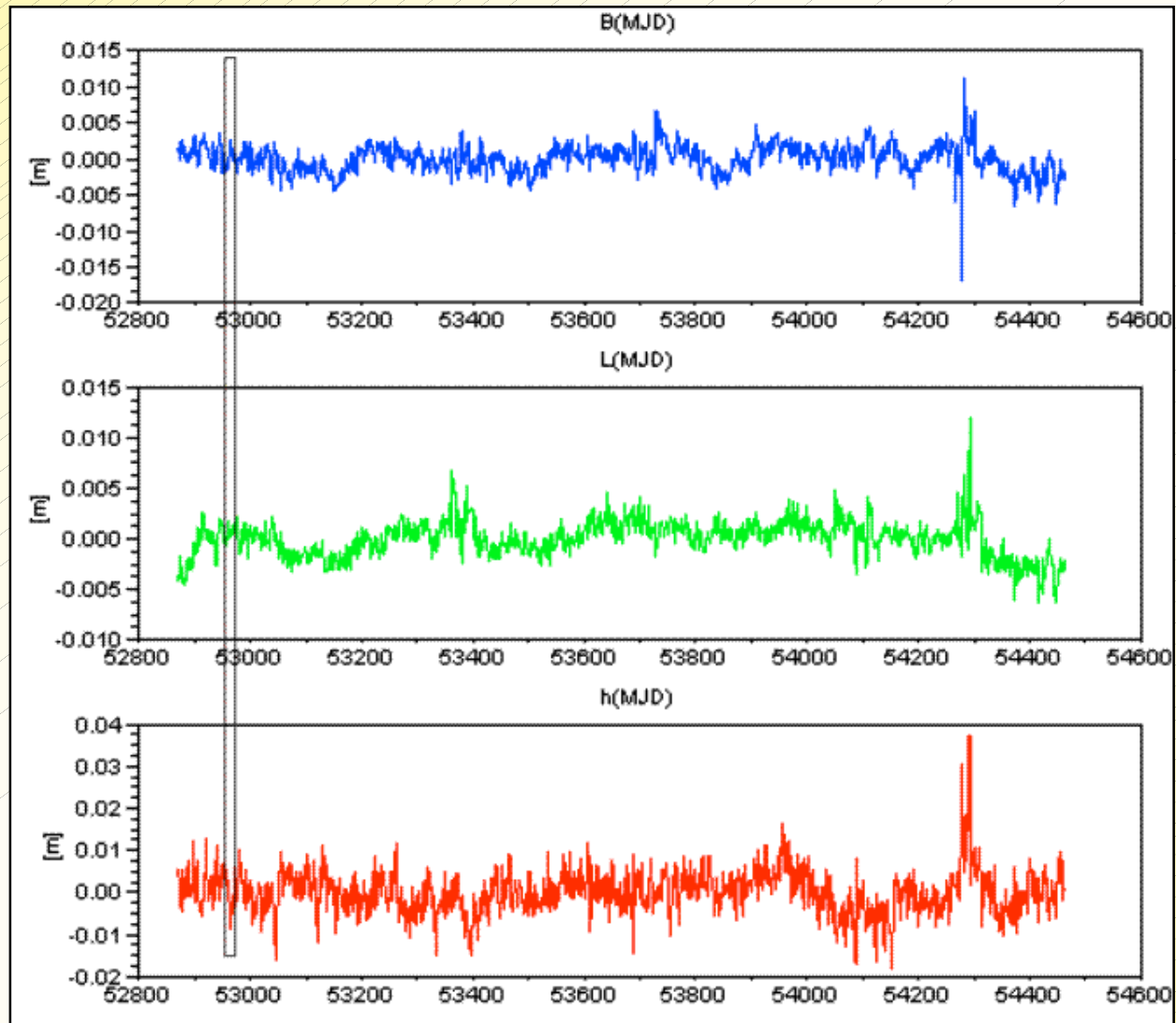
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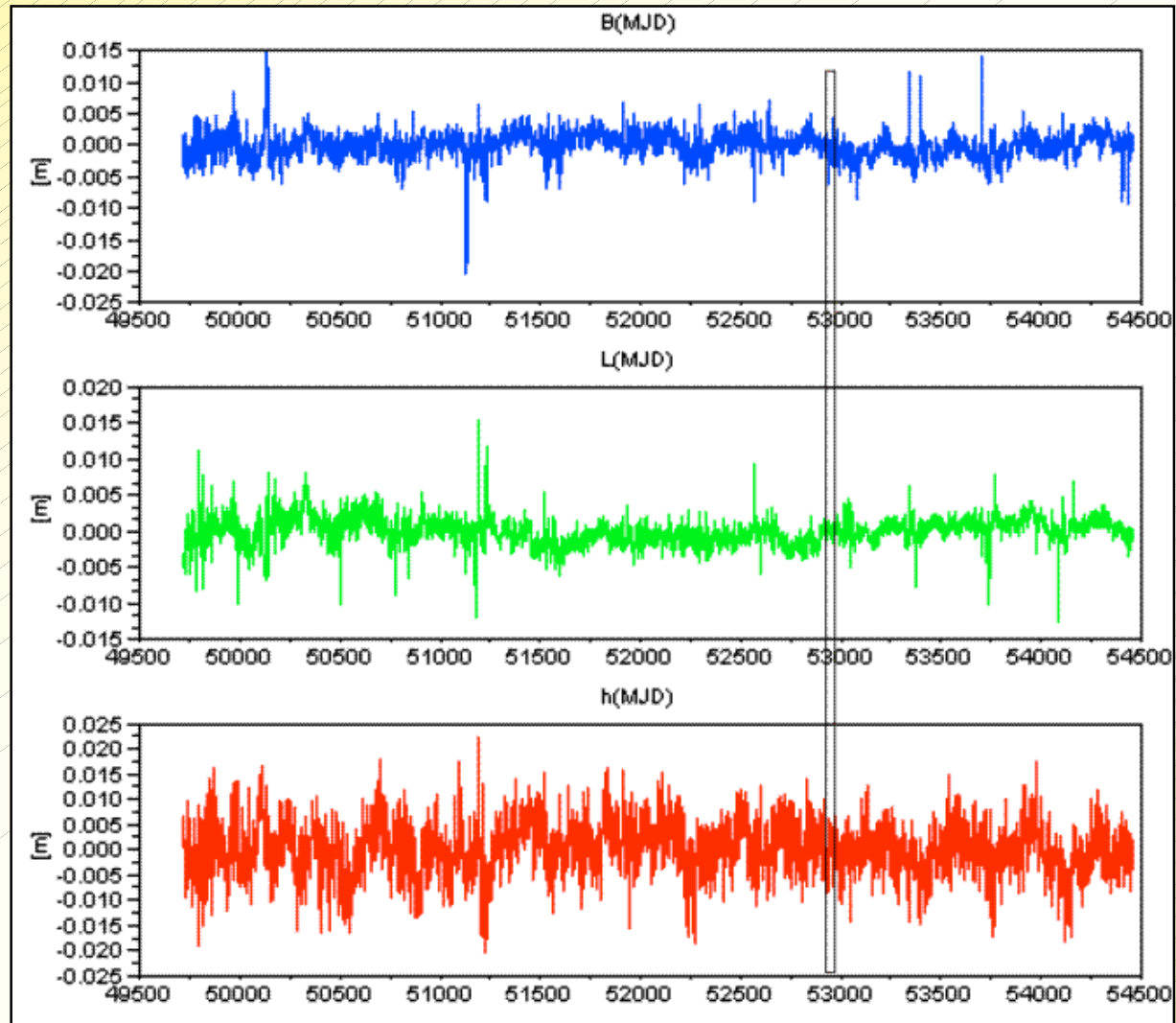
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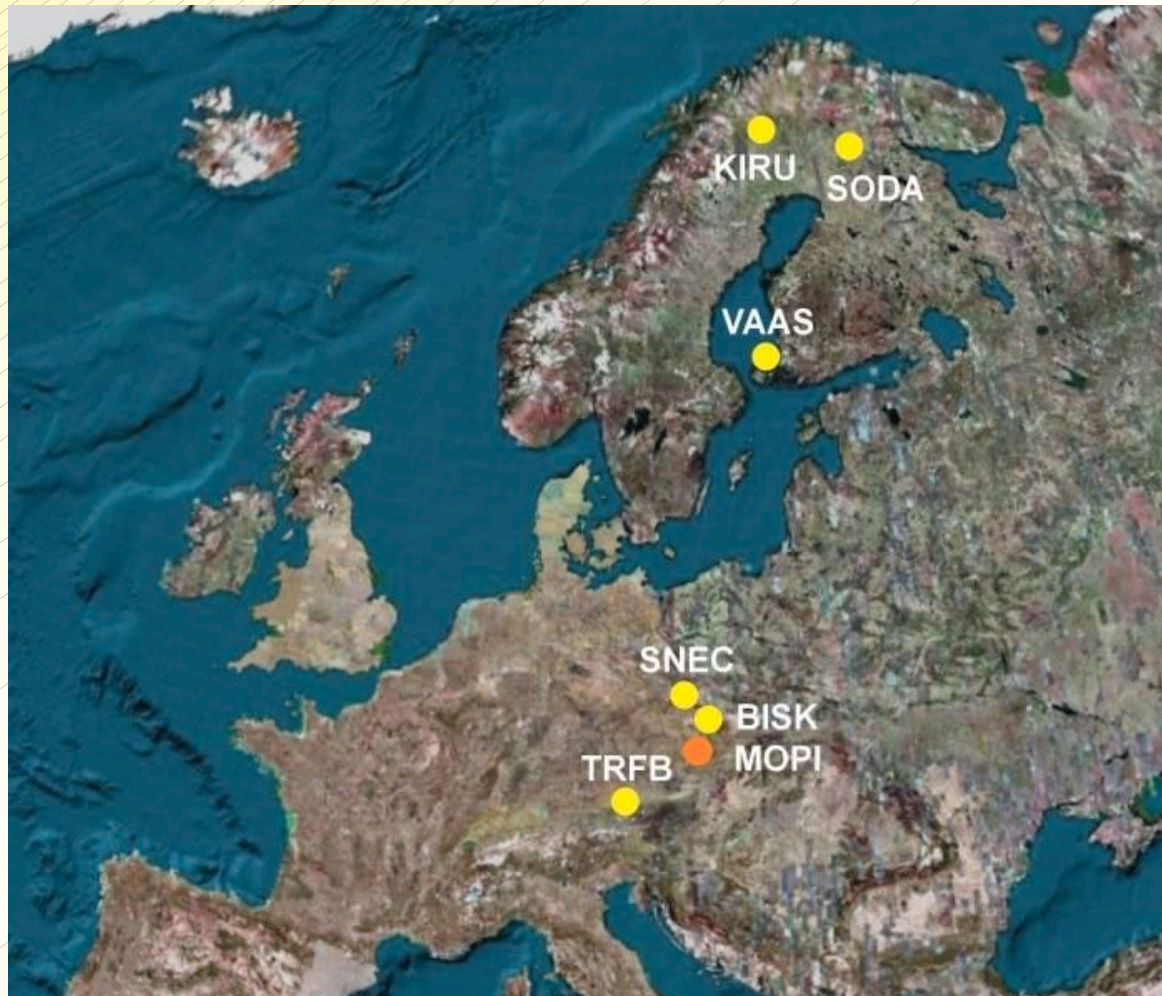
Station METS (Finland) $B \approx 60^\circ$



CONCLUSION: Ionosphere-free linear combination using during processing allow us not to worry about geomagnetic storms and their consequence for daily solutions.

Weather condition (snow cover)

Characteristic time series for those stations, where there is significant snow cover.
Some of those stations pointed out that snow accumulating over the antenna may cause discontinuity in time series.



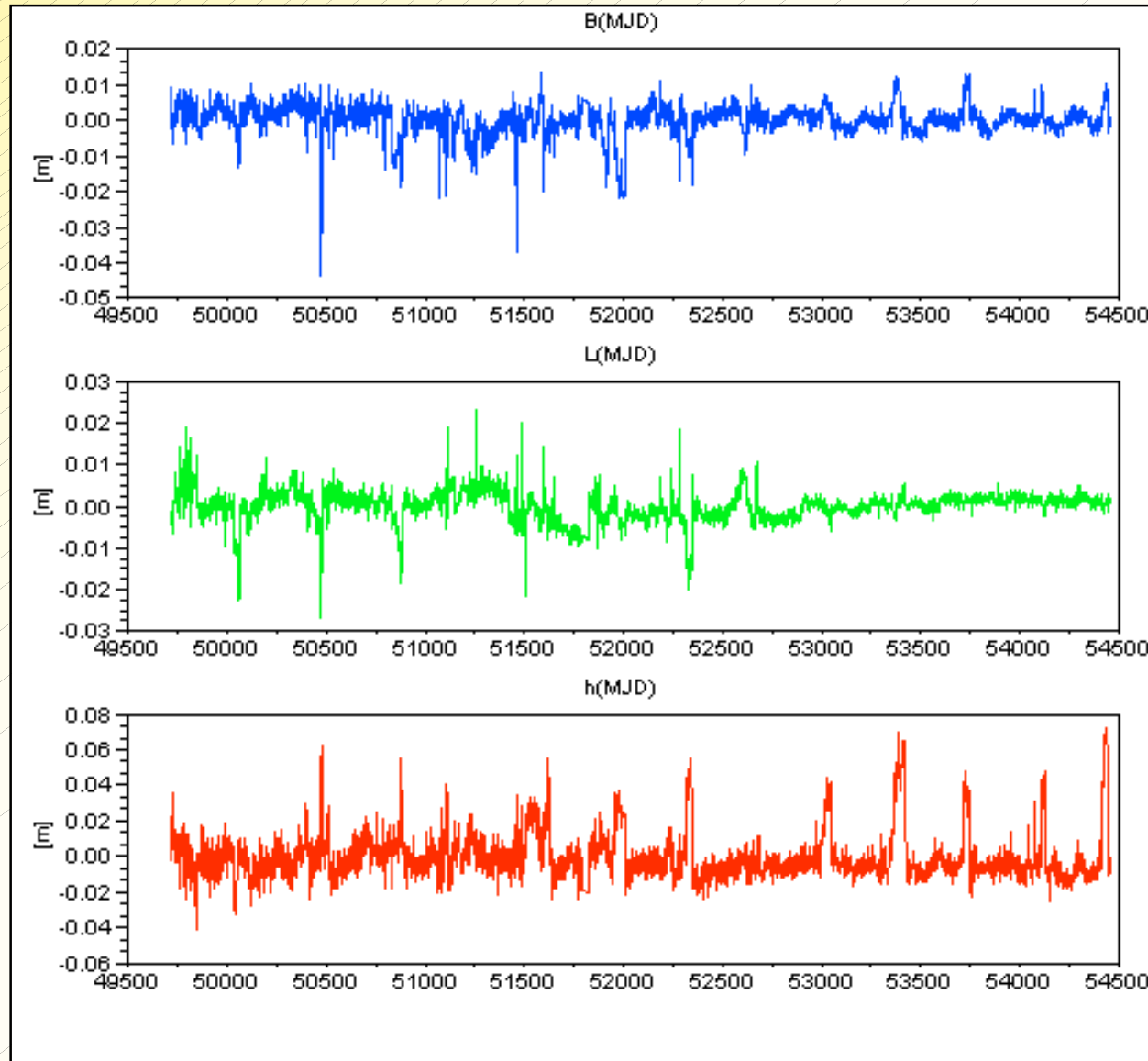
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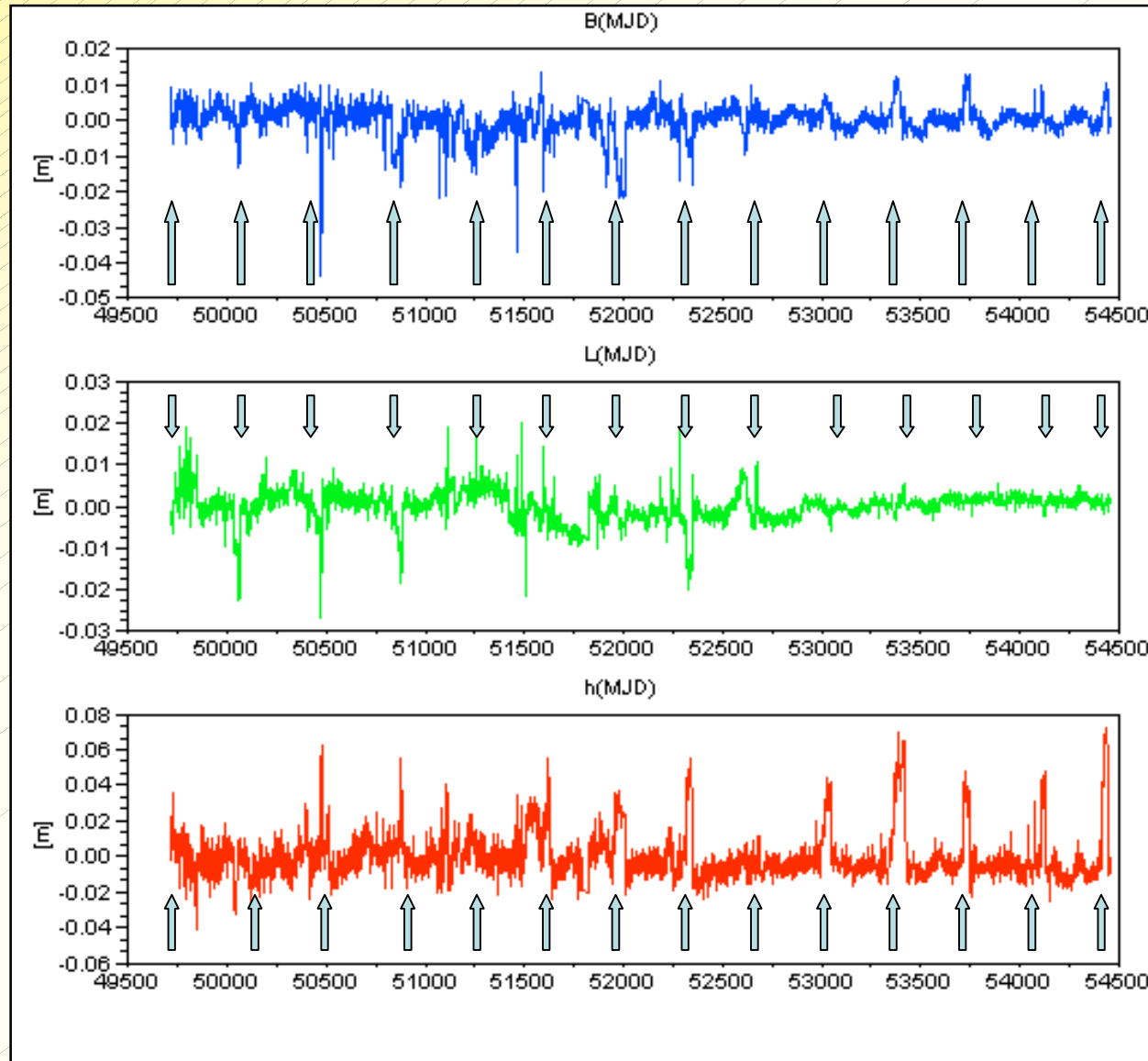
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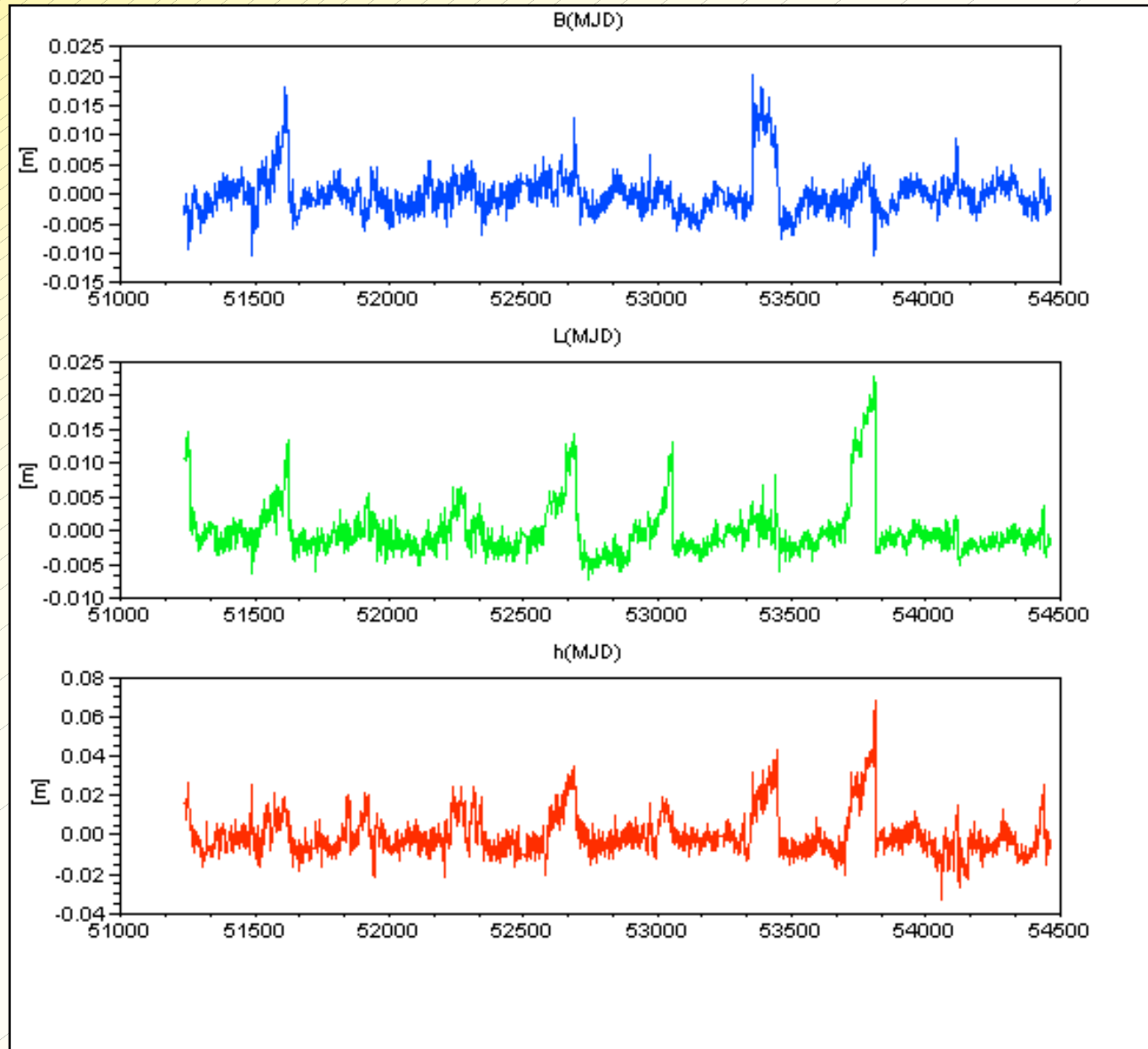
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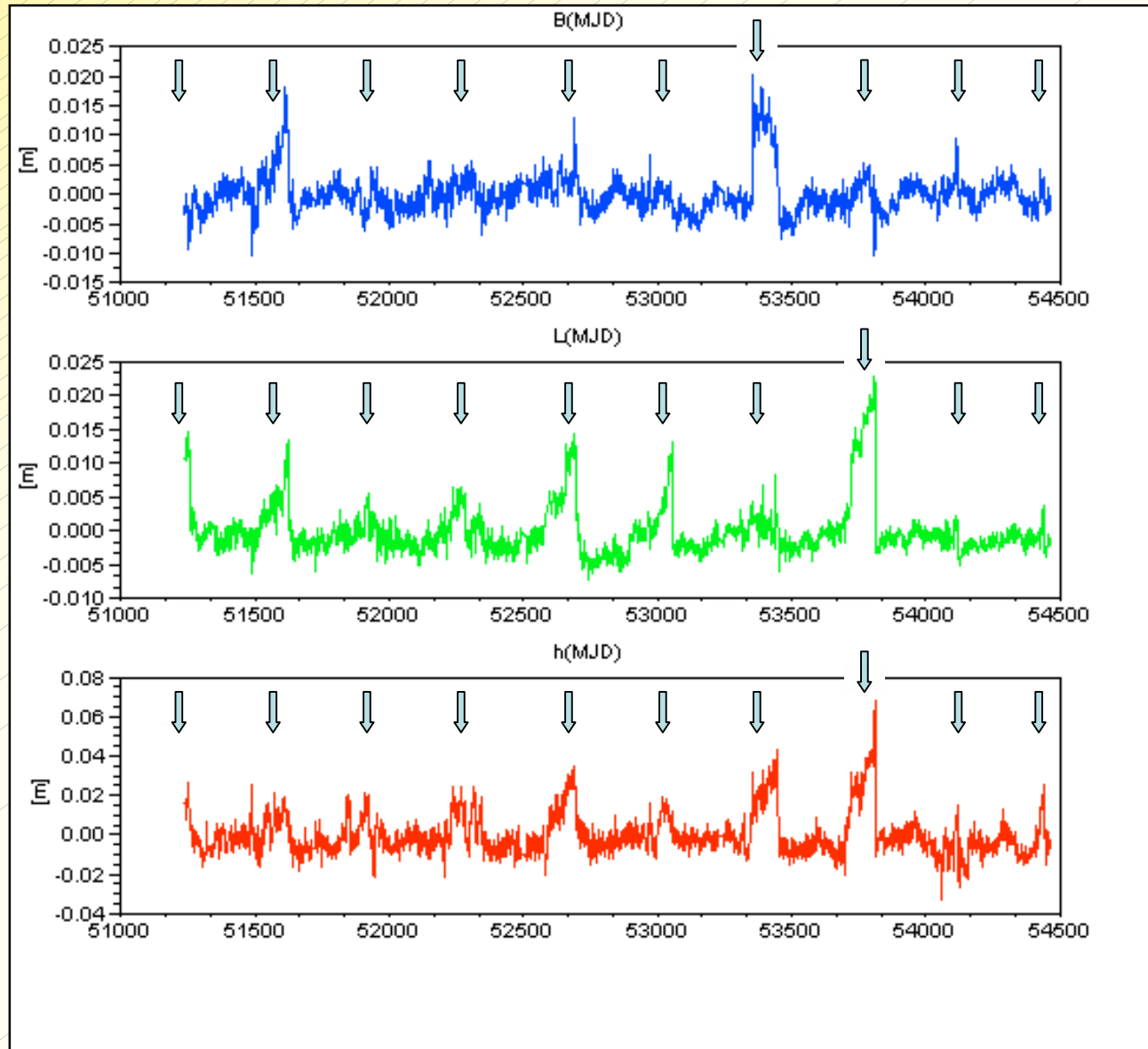
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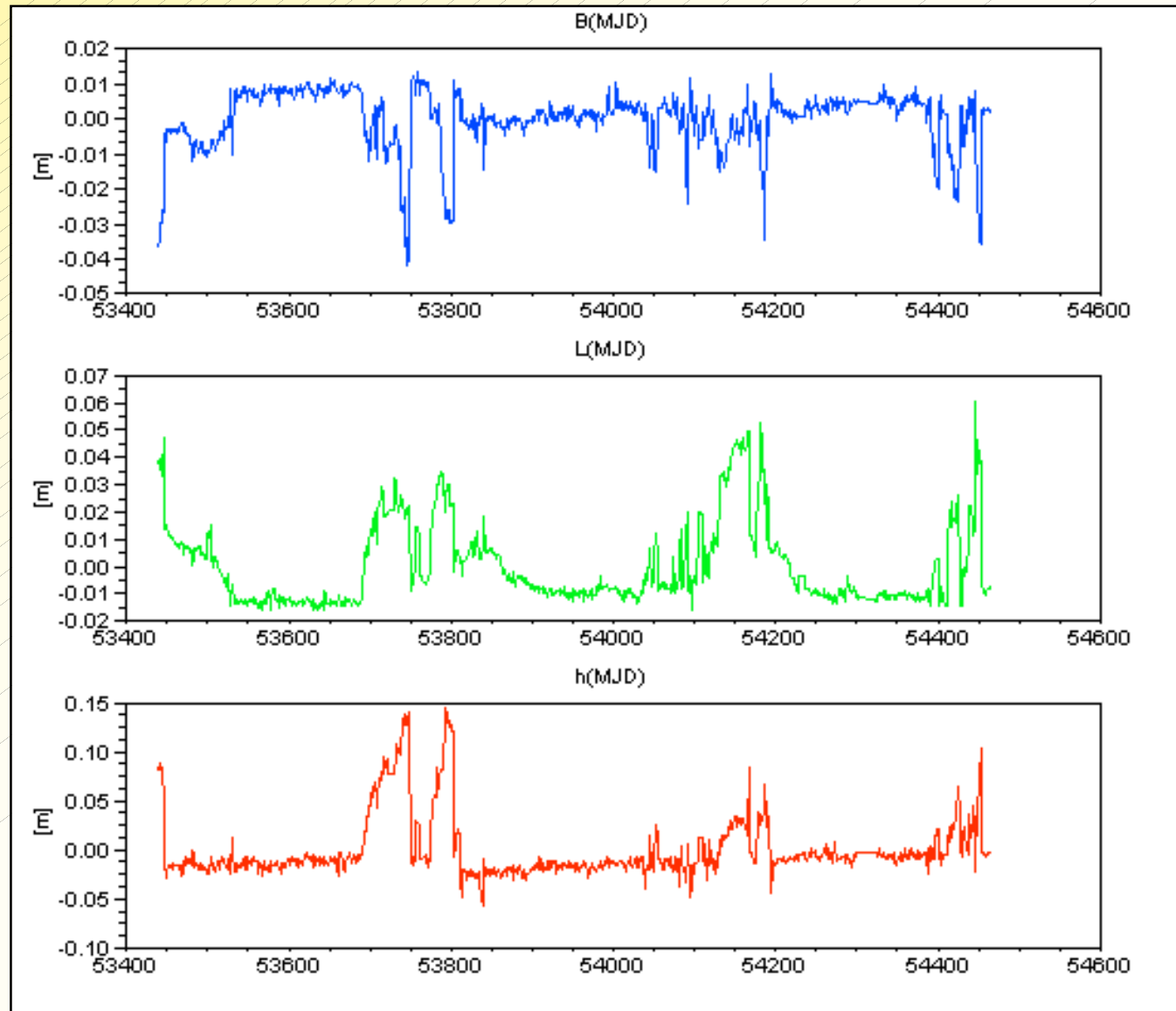
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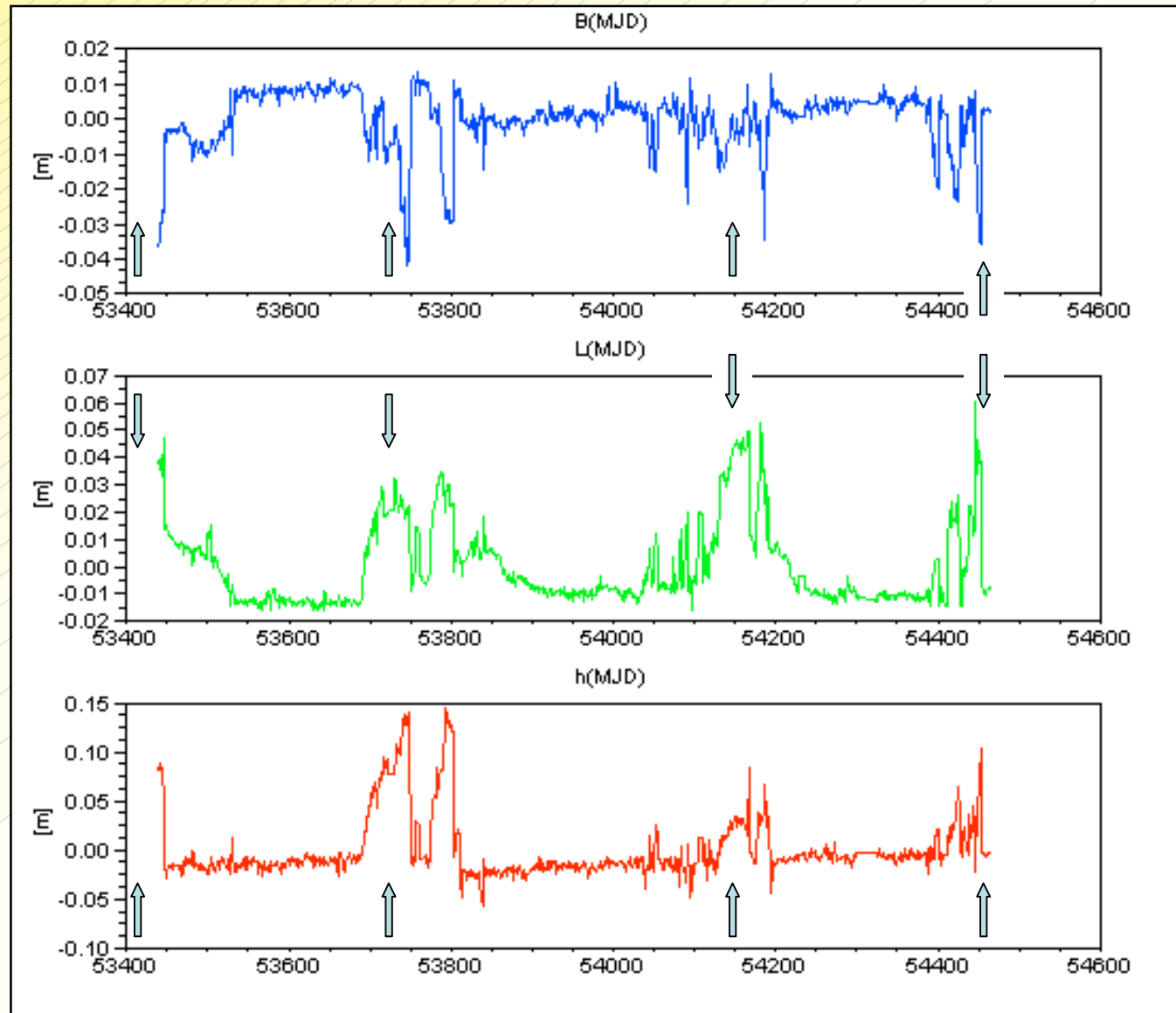
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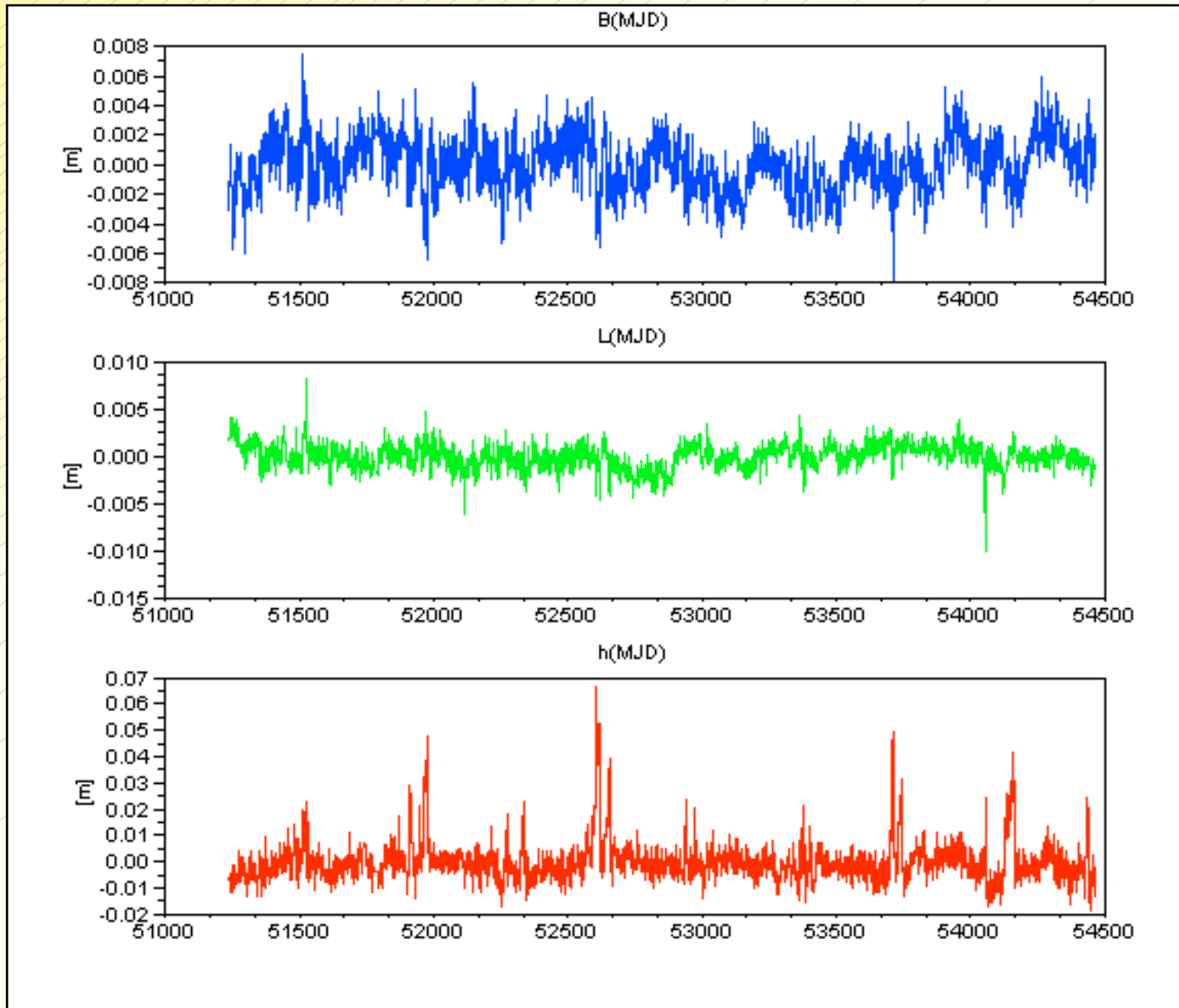
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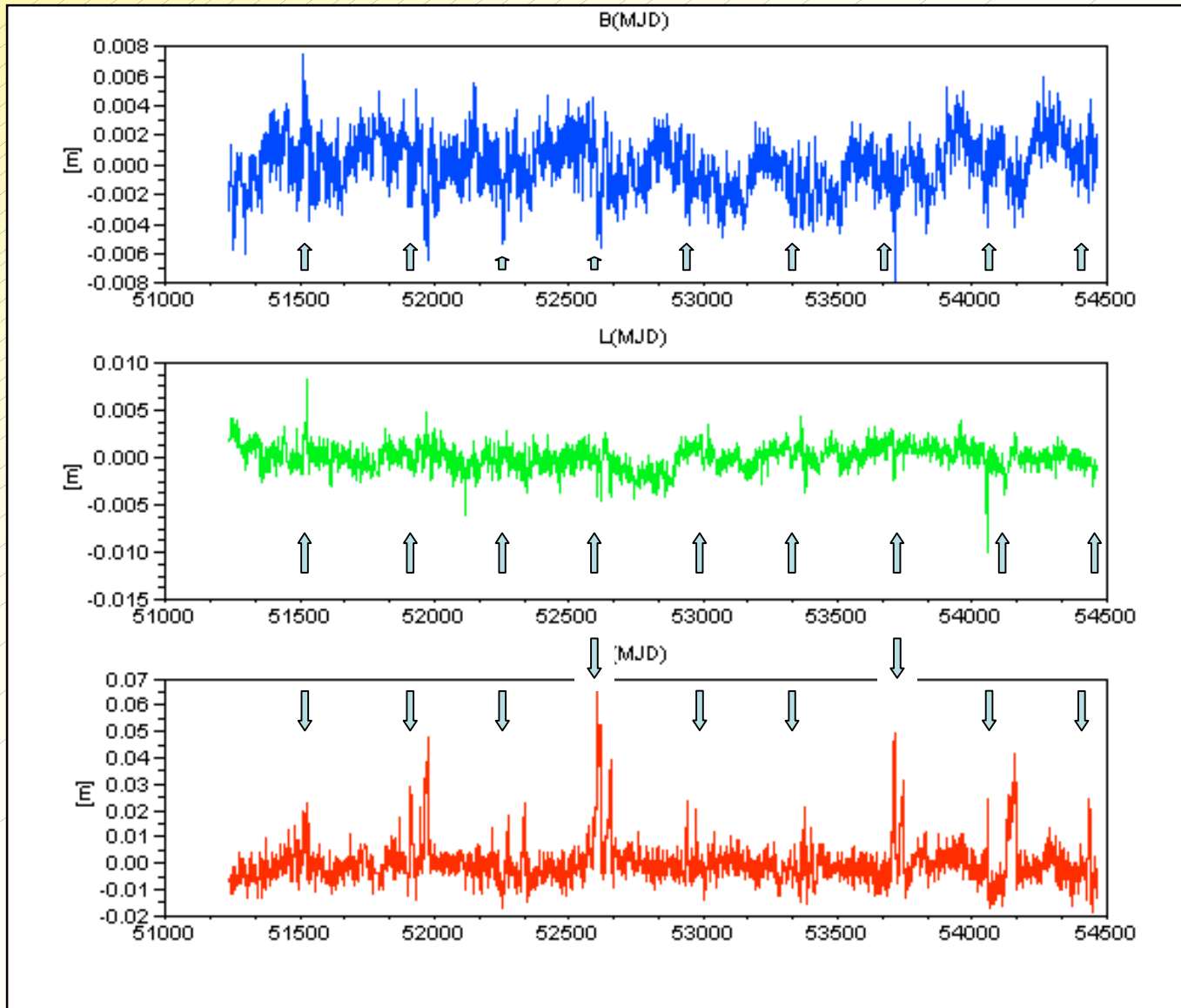
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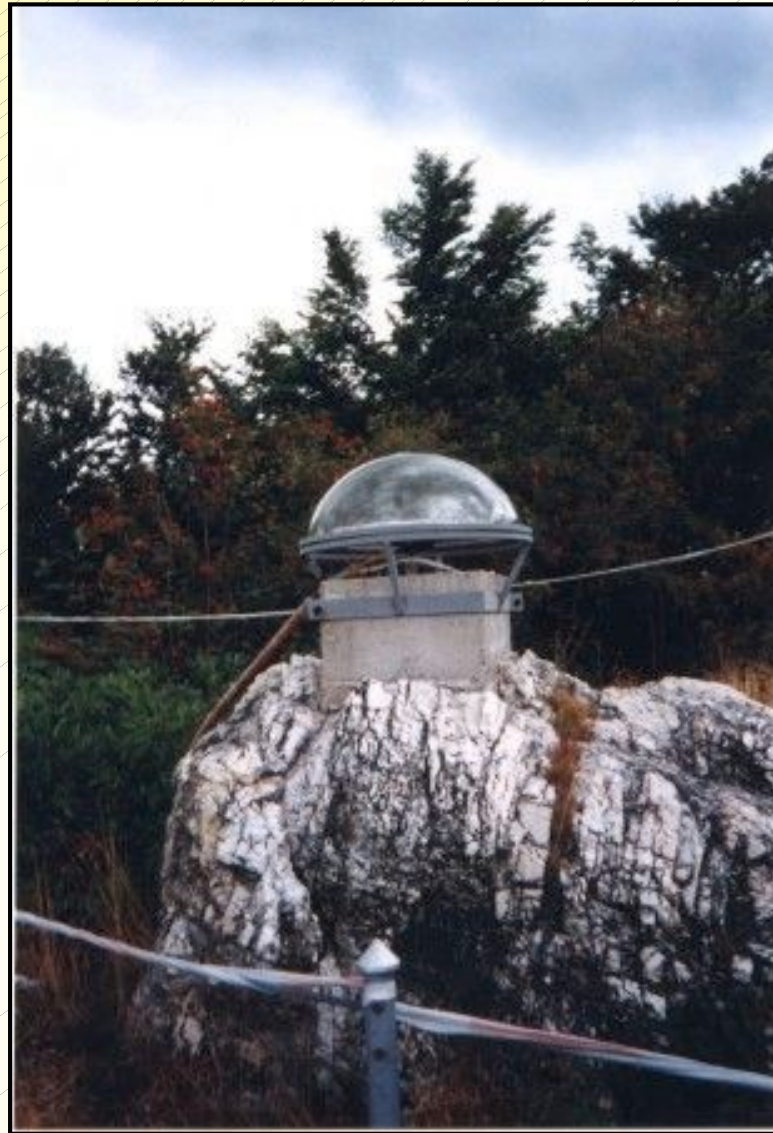
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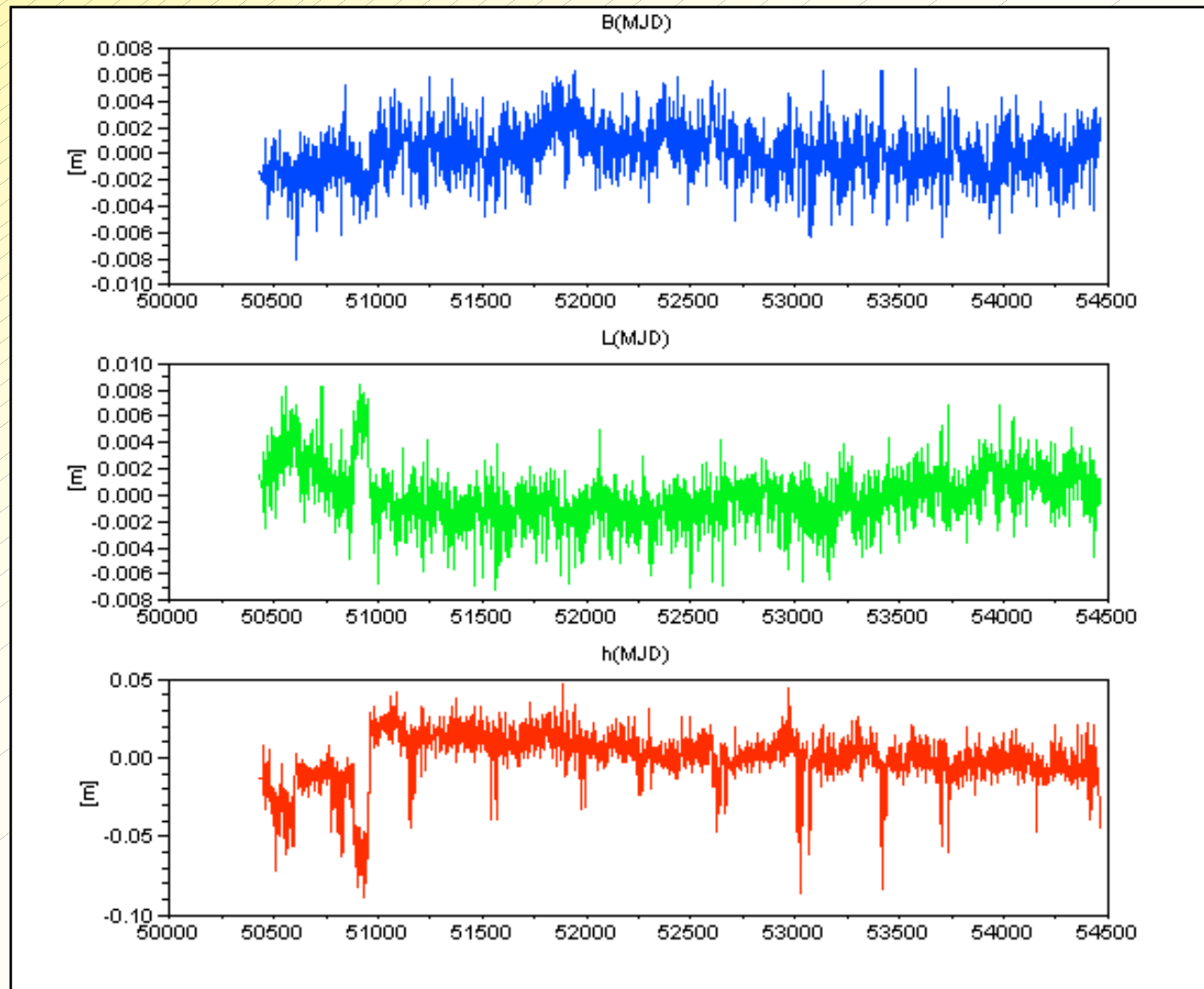
Station MOPI (Slovak Republic)



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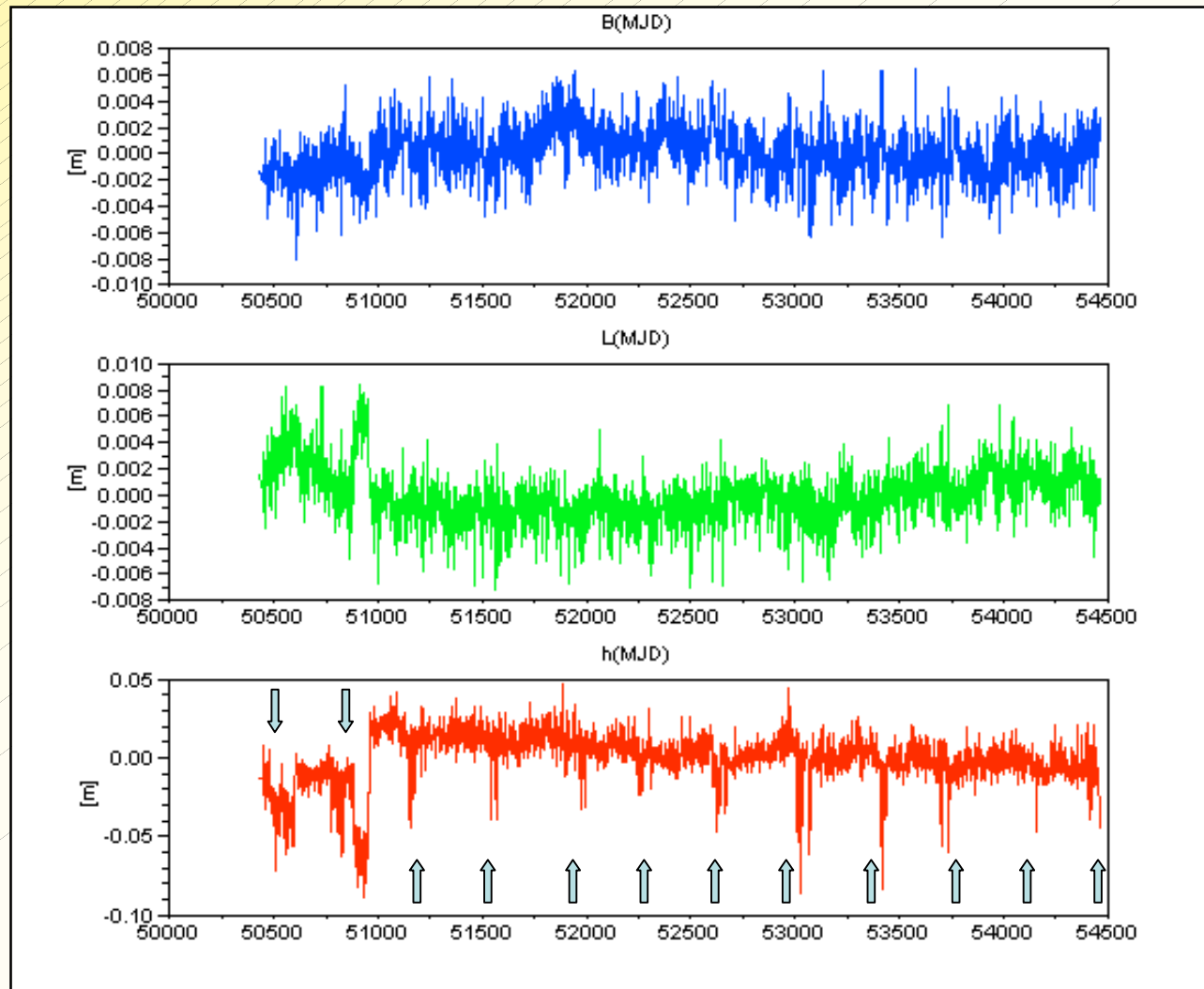
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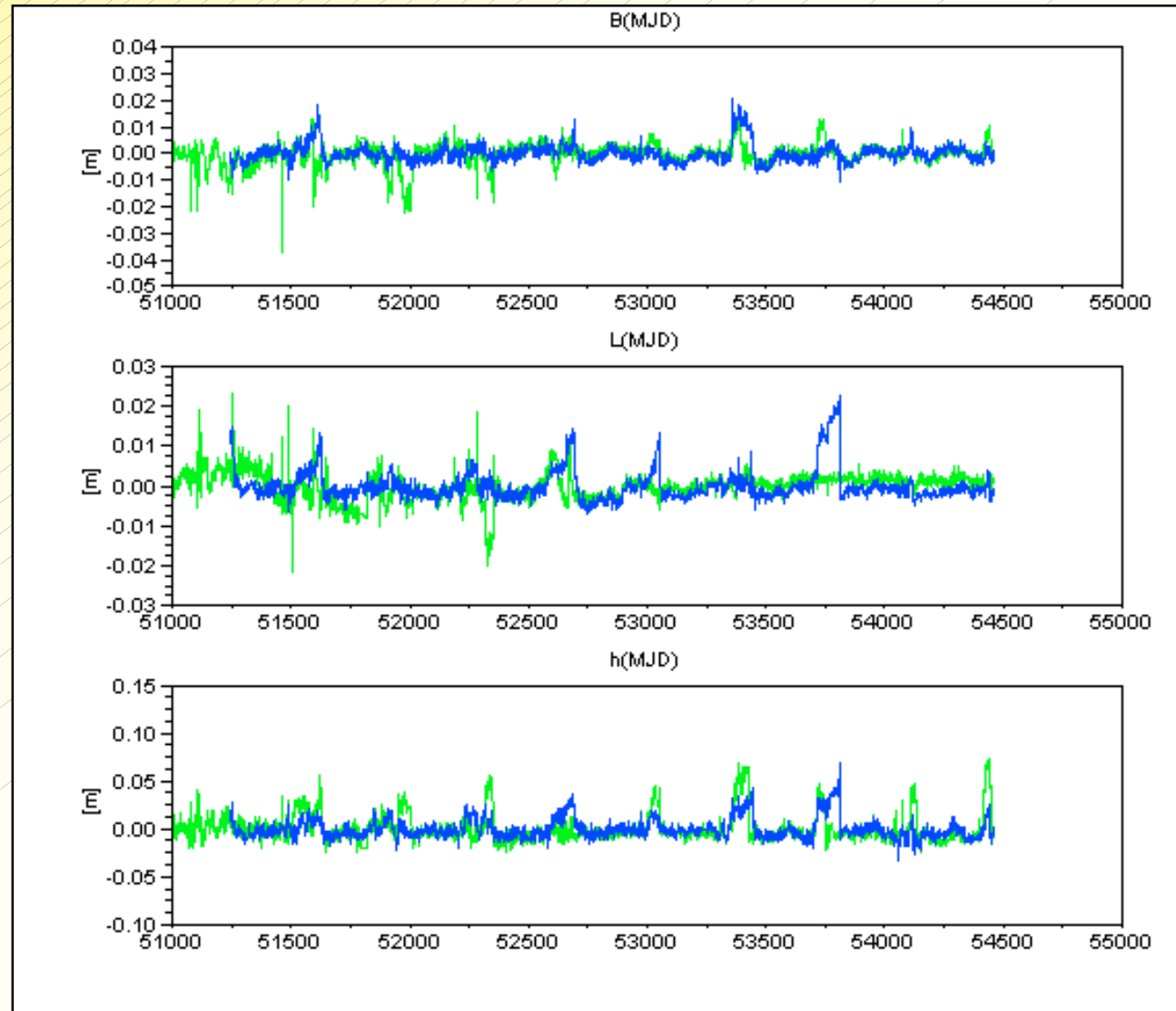


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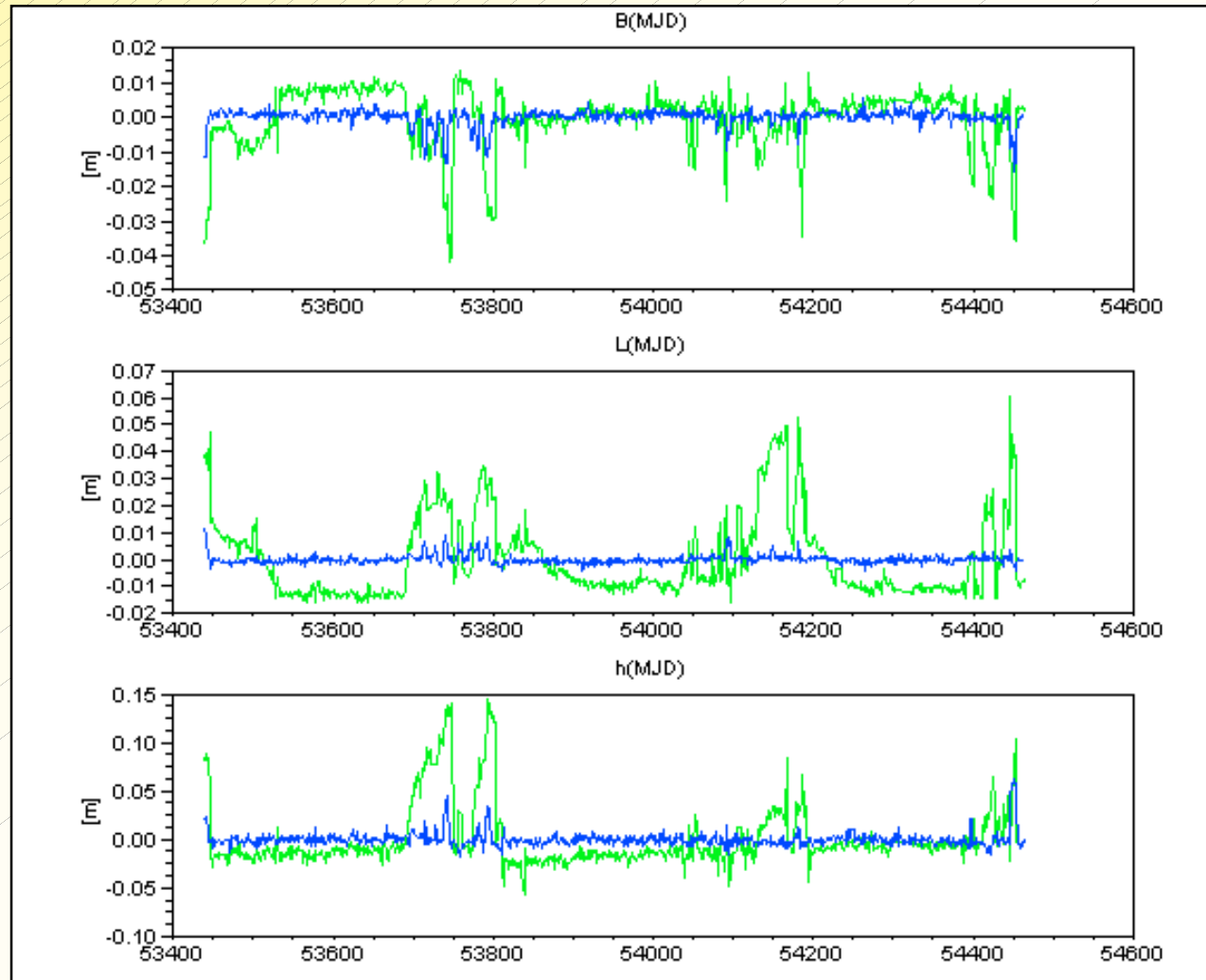
Stations: KIRU (Sweden) and SODA (Finland)



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Statistics of time series from EPN station (in progress)

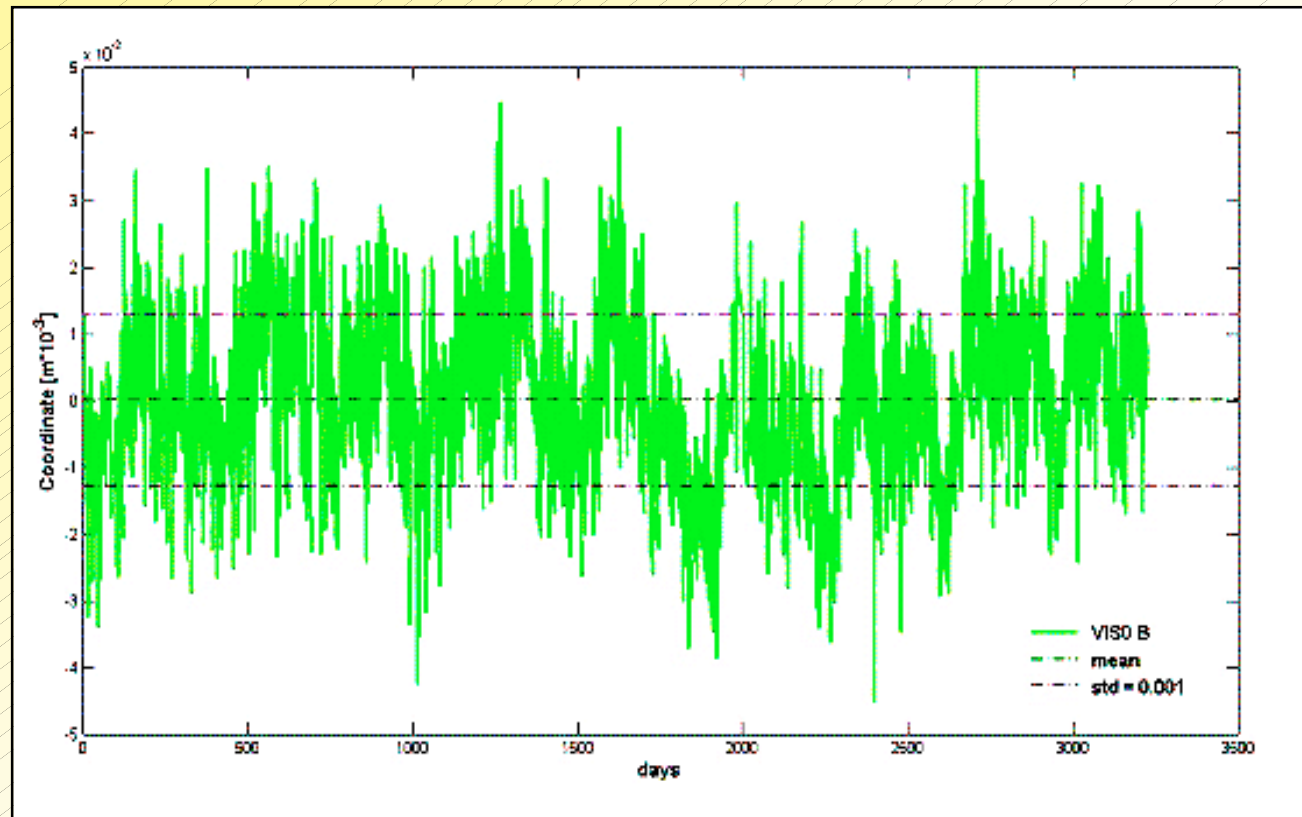
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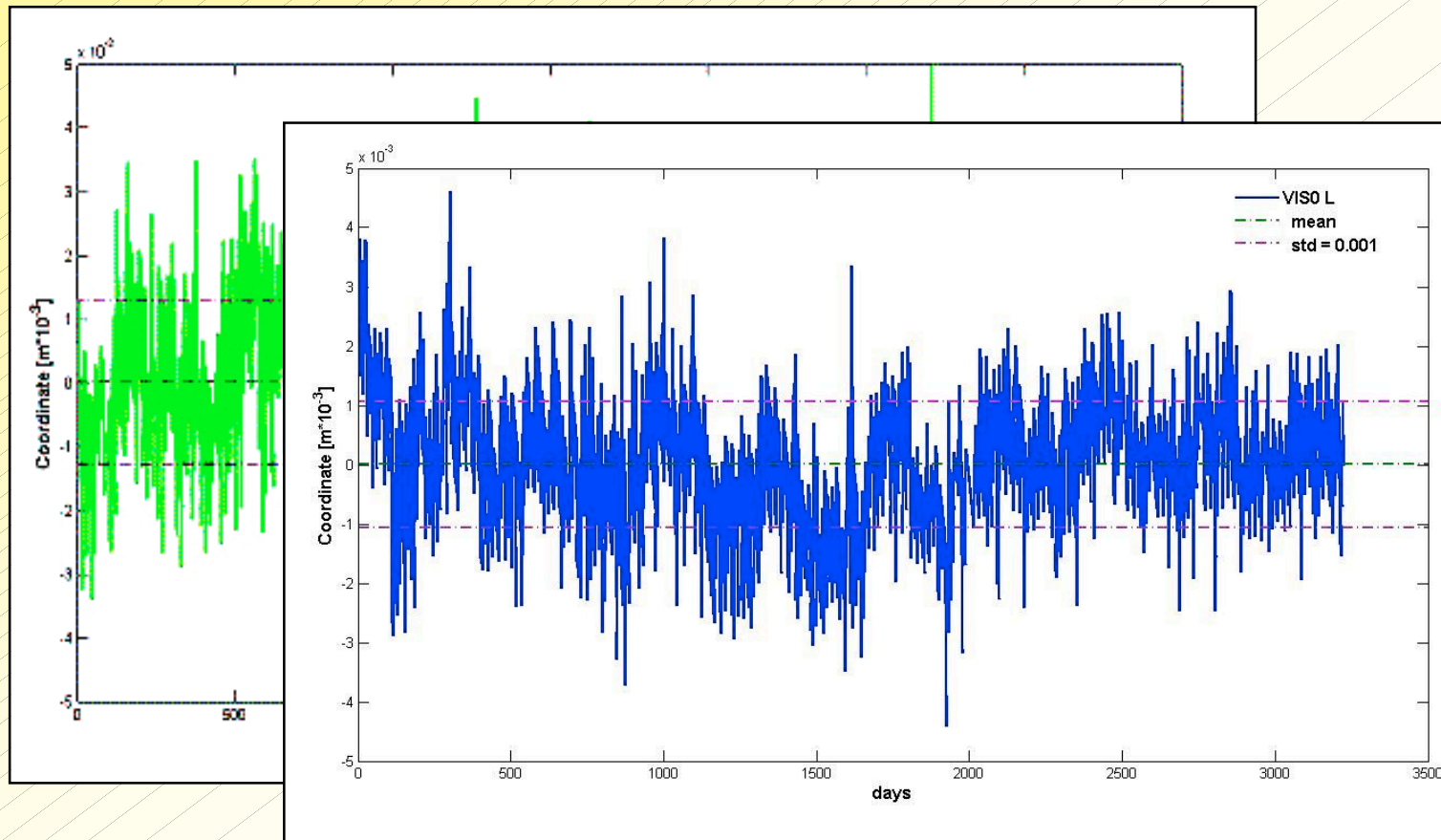
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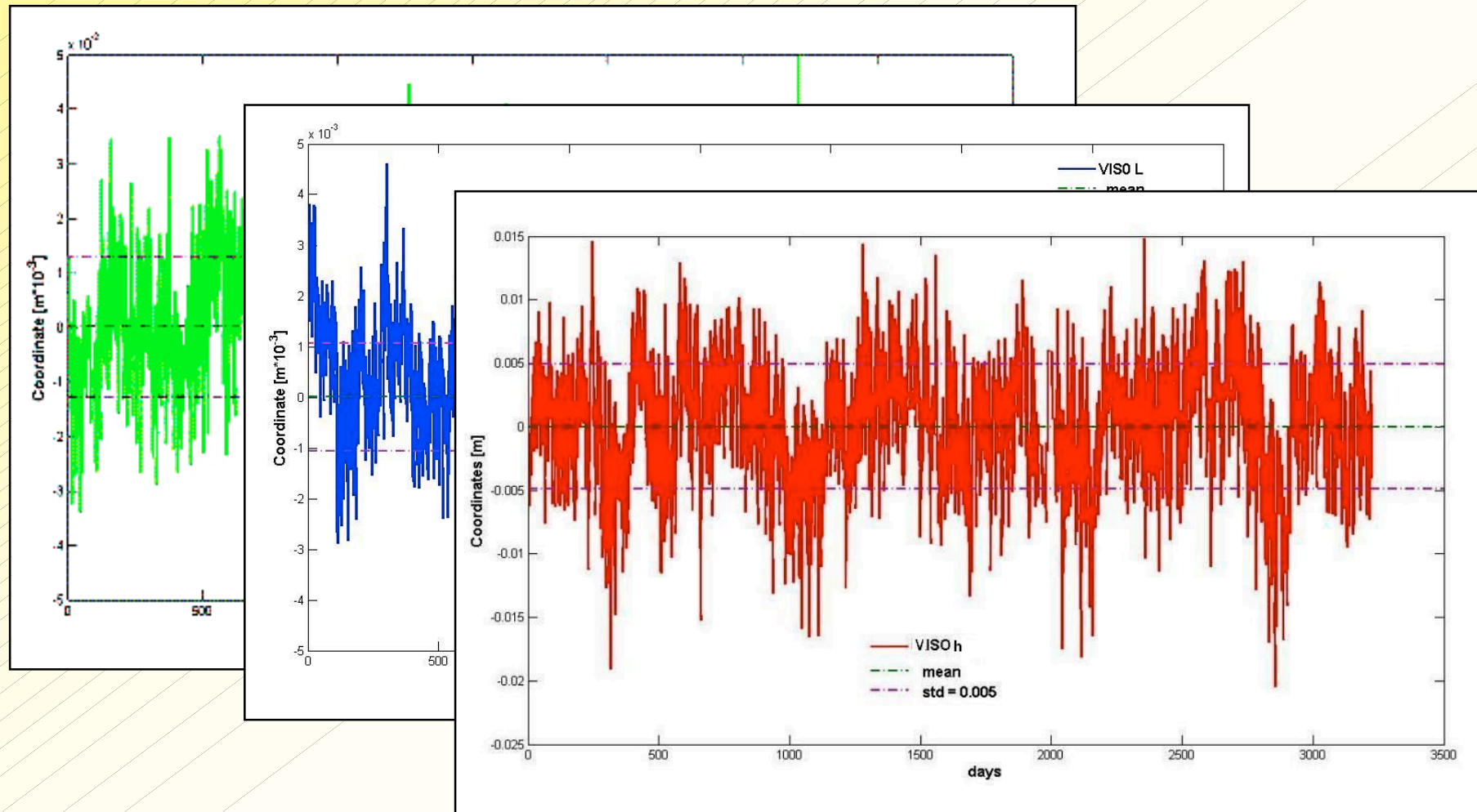
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After analysing statistics of time series from different station we can draw some conclusions about conditions of proper station (especially antenna) localization and distinguish periodic disturbances corresponding to specific station from oscillation received from Wavelet Transformation (f.e. disturbances connected with high constructions' movement).

CONCLUSIONS:

- Modifications on station may cause serious changes in solutions – they have to be taken into consideration before further analysis;
- Earthquakes may cause permanent change of station's coordinates (displacement of antenna), but in general they do not have an influence on daily solution;
- Ionosphere-free linear combination using during processing allow us not to worry about geomagnetic storms and their consequence for daily solutions;
- Snow cover significantly disturbs daily solutions (periodic factor, it increases the amplitude of one-year tidal wave), it should be taken into consideration for some station.
- Simple statistics can be helpful in estimation solutions' reliability. Periodic disturbances corresponding to specific station should be determined due to distinguish them from oscillation received from following analysis (f.e. Wavelet Transformation).

THANK YOU