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OBSERVATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE OVER ETHIOPIA: SOME PRELIMINARY RESULTS FROM MAGDAS AND GPS.

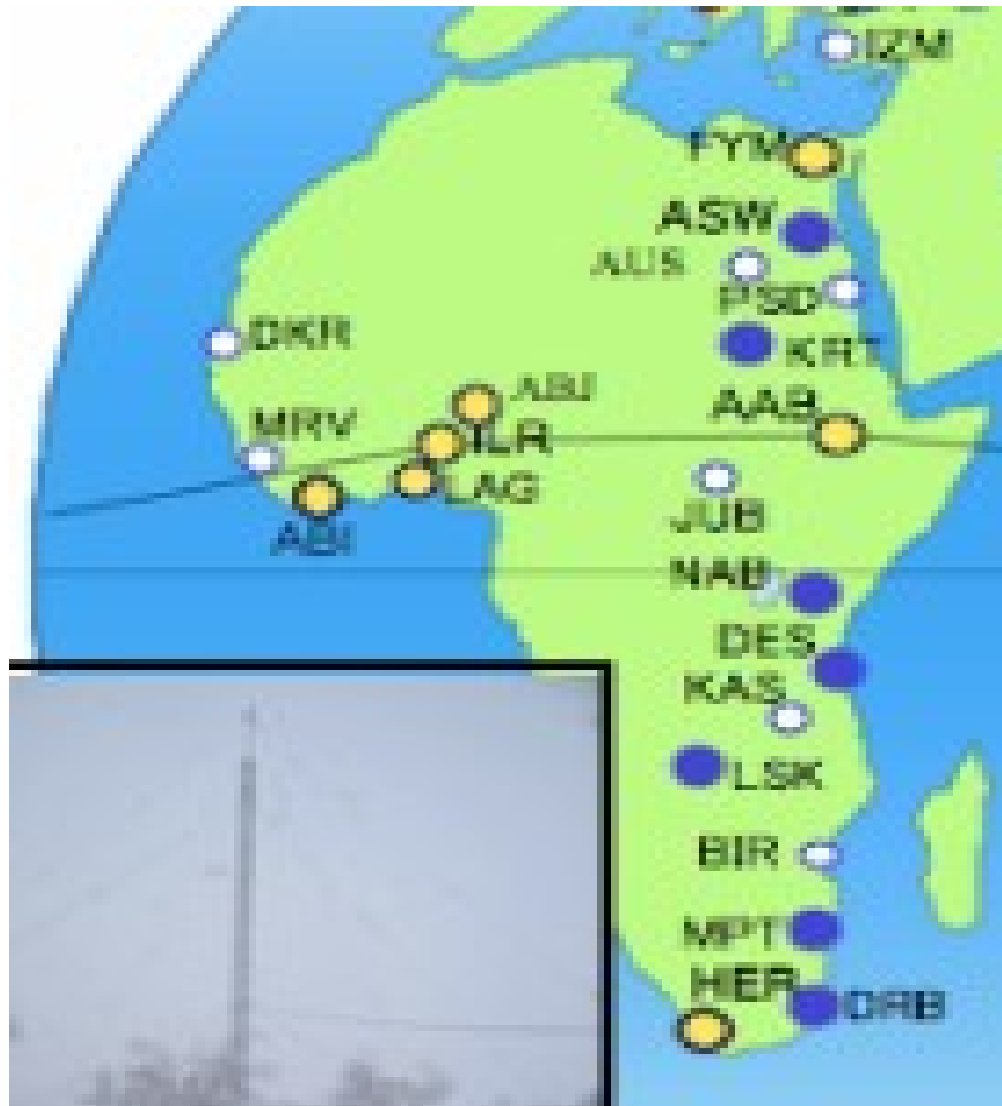
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I. OBSERVATIONS FROM MAGDAS AT ADDIS ABEBA (AAB) STATION

- MAGDAS is one of the chains of magnetometer in Africa.
- Consists of flux-gate magnetometer with orthogonal 3-axial ring core sensors.
- Digital data obtained with sampling rate of 16Hz.

➤ 14 Stations installed all over Africa.



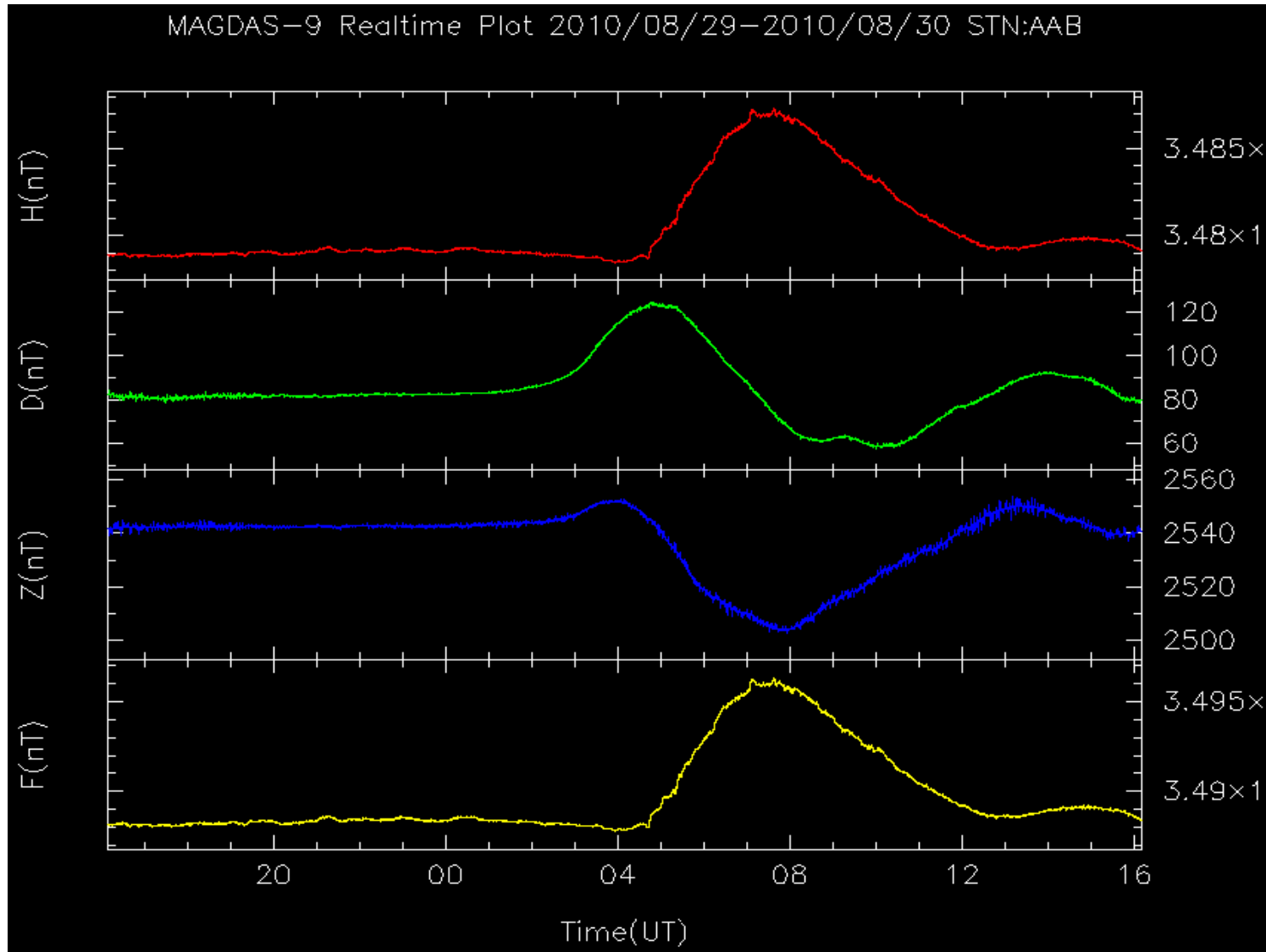
➤ One of the Stations at Addis Ababa(AAB)



- Updated to MAGDAS 9 July 2010.
- We get one second and one minute average data, recorded and transferred to SERC, Japan.



Real Time (Quick look) plot



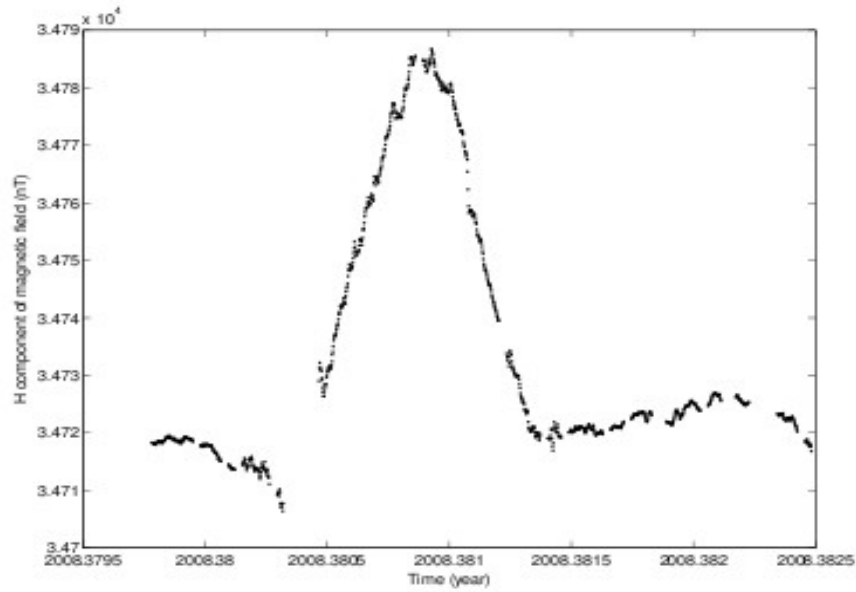
COMPARISON OF H COMPONENT OF AAB AND ILR

- One minute average data of 2008 and 2009 used
- For stations along Equatorial Chain
LAG,ILR,AAB.
- And 96 MM Chain.
FYM(Egypt),ASW(Egypt),KRT.

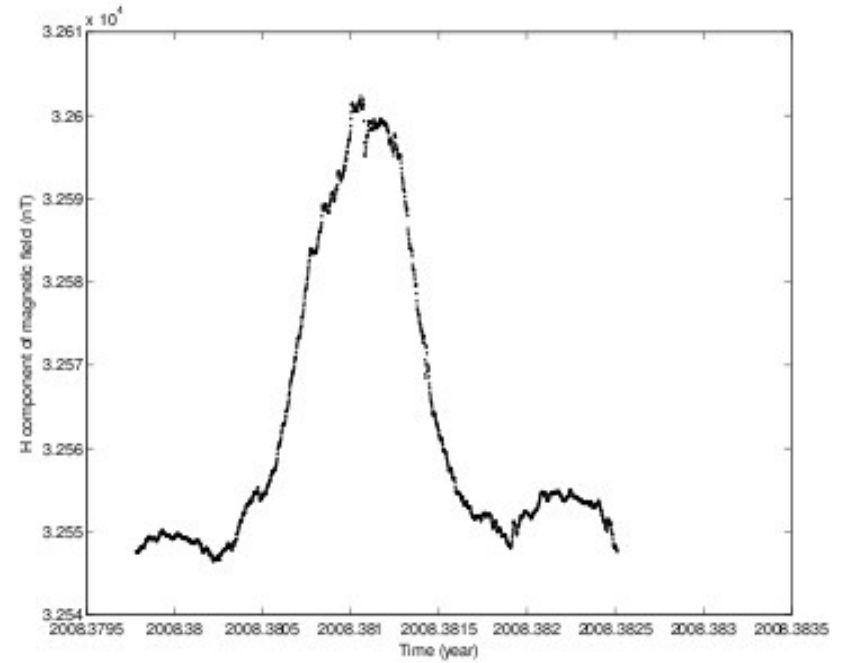
H Component of AAB and ILR Daily Variations.

I. 2008/05/18.

AAB

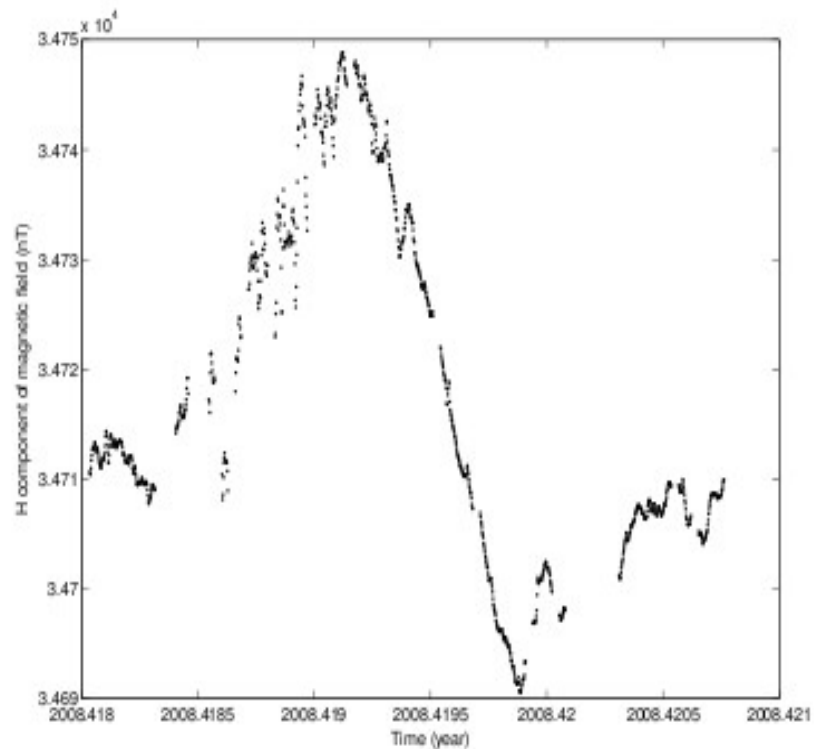


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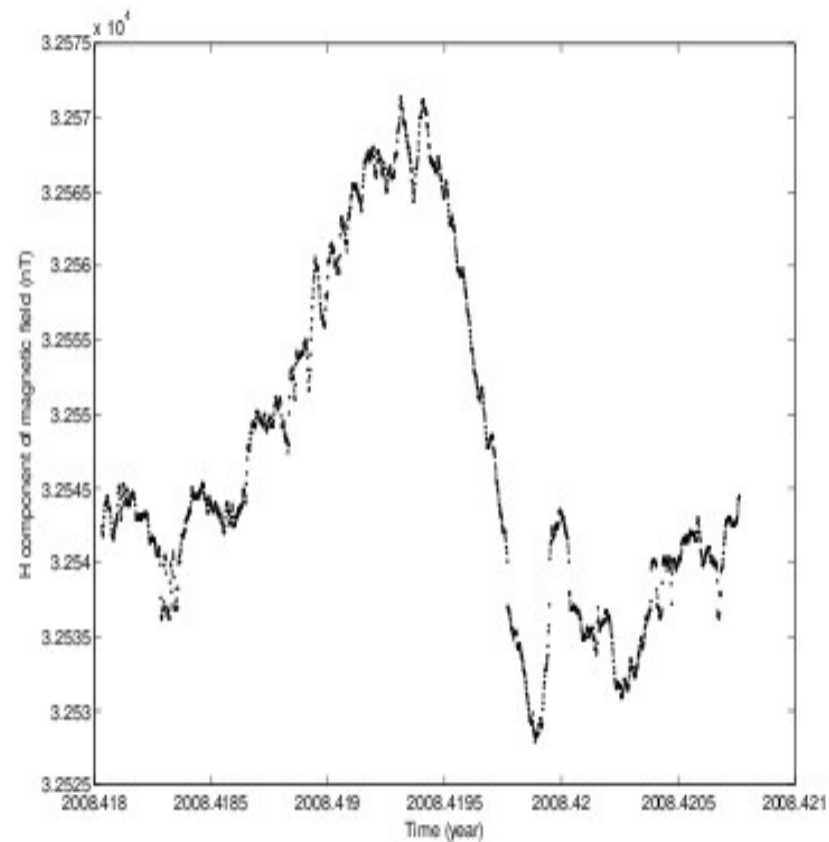


II. 2008/06/01

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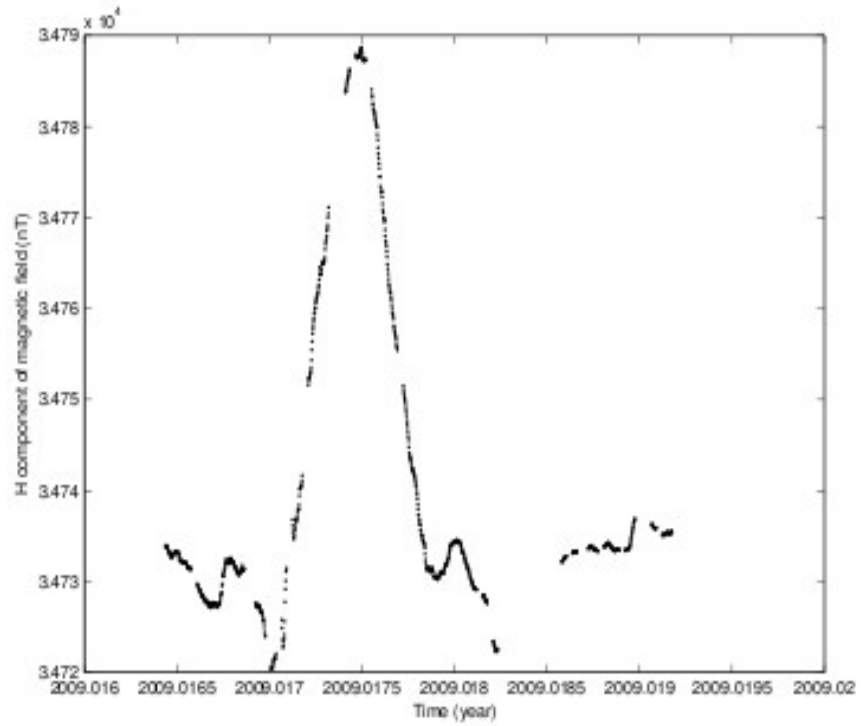


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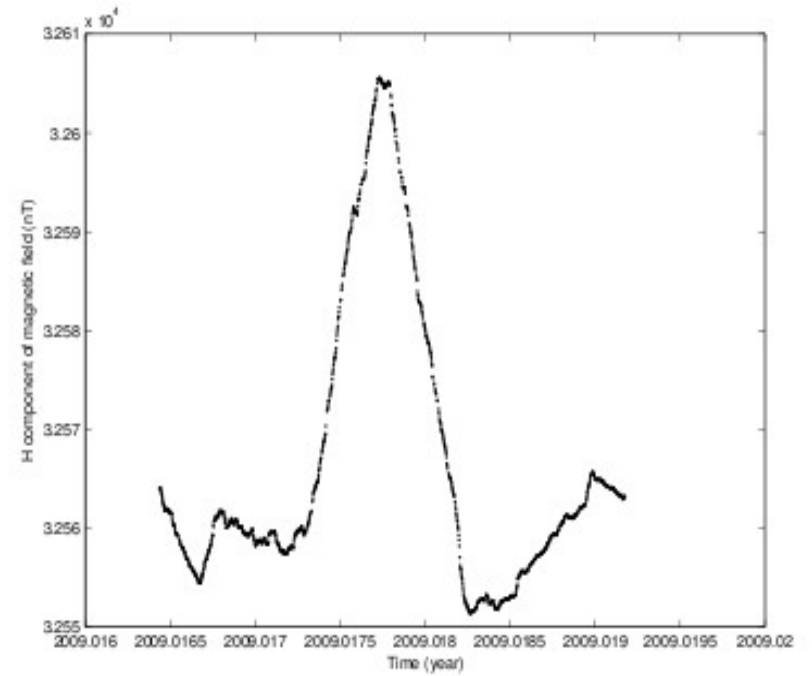


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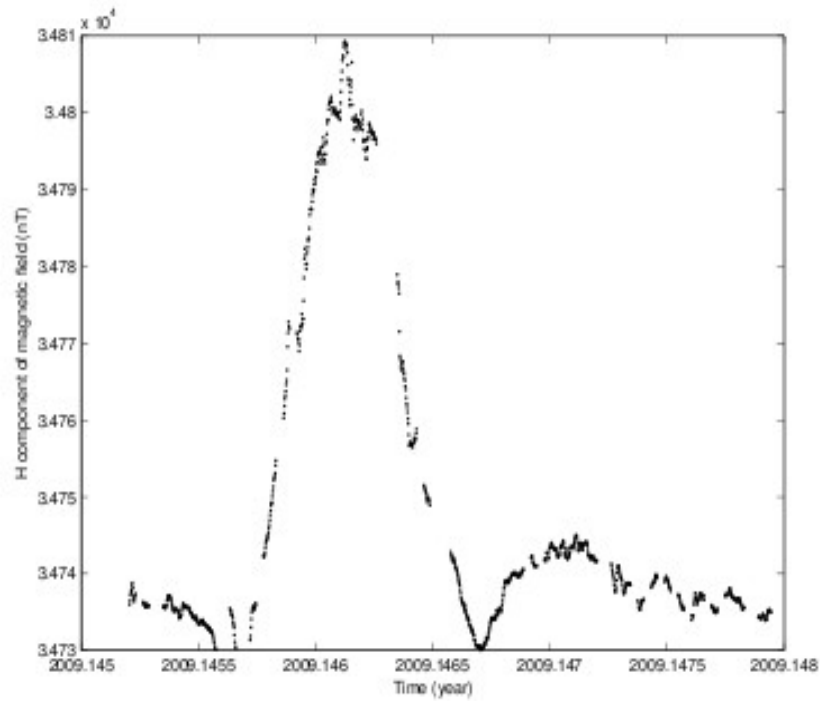


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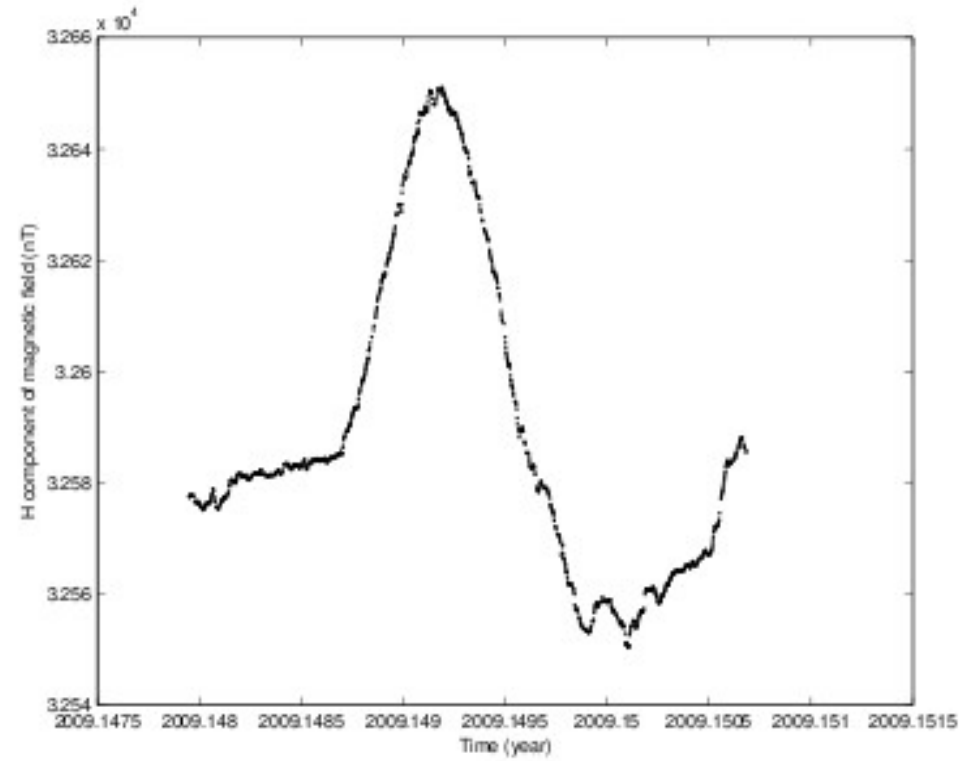


IV.2009/02/23

AAB



ILR



II.GPS TEC

INTRODUCTION

- GPS ,owned and operated by the US Department of Defense and Transportation, is a space based navigation system intended for positioning on earth.
- GPS signals are transmitted on two different frequencies
$$f_1 = 1575.42\text{MHz} \quad f_2 = 1227.6\text{MHz}$$
- The linear combination of these frequencies used for removing the IONOSPHERIC effect for positioning
- On the other hand the dispersive property of the Ionosphere provide an opportunity to measure the electron Content.

IONOSPHERIC TEC

- The slant total electron content (STEC) is a measure of the total number of electrons along the ray path.
- The total number of free electrons is proportional to the ionospheric differential delay between f1 and f2 signals.

$$STEC = \int_{\text{reciever}}^{\text{satellite}} N d\vec{r}$$

- Commonly, STEC is obtained from the dual frequency code measurements given by:

$$STEC = \frac{1}{40.3} \left(\frac{1}{f_1^2} - \frac{1}{f_2^2} \right)^{-1} \times (R_1 - R_2) + TEC_{corr.}$$

$R_1 = \text{Pseudorange at } f_1$

$R_2 = \text{Pseudorange at } f_2$

Where $TEC_{corr.}$ is the correction for the receiver Delay

VERTICAL TEC

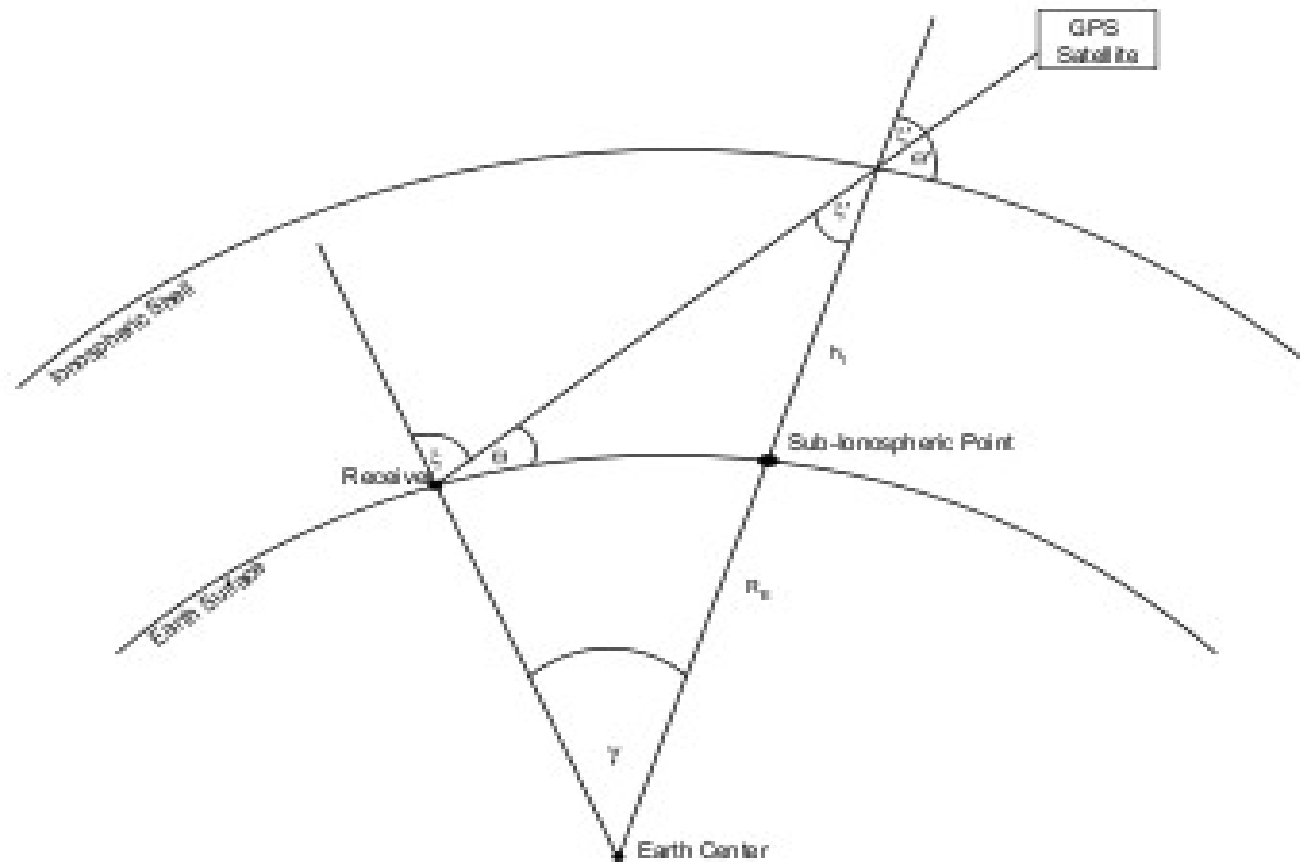
- The IEC(TEC) is valid for the line of sight from the receiver to the satellite.
- We can convert it to the vertical by multiplying it with a mapping function:

$$E(\theta) = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{\sin(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta) R_E}{R_E + h_I} \right)^2}$$
$$VTEC = STEC \times E(\theta)$$

Where

$h_I =$ Ionospheric height of main
electron Concentration

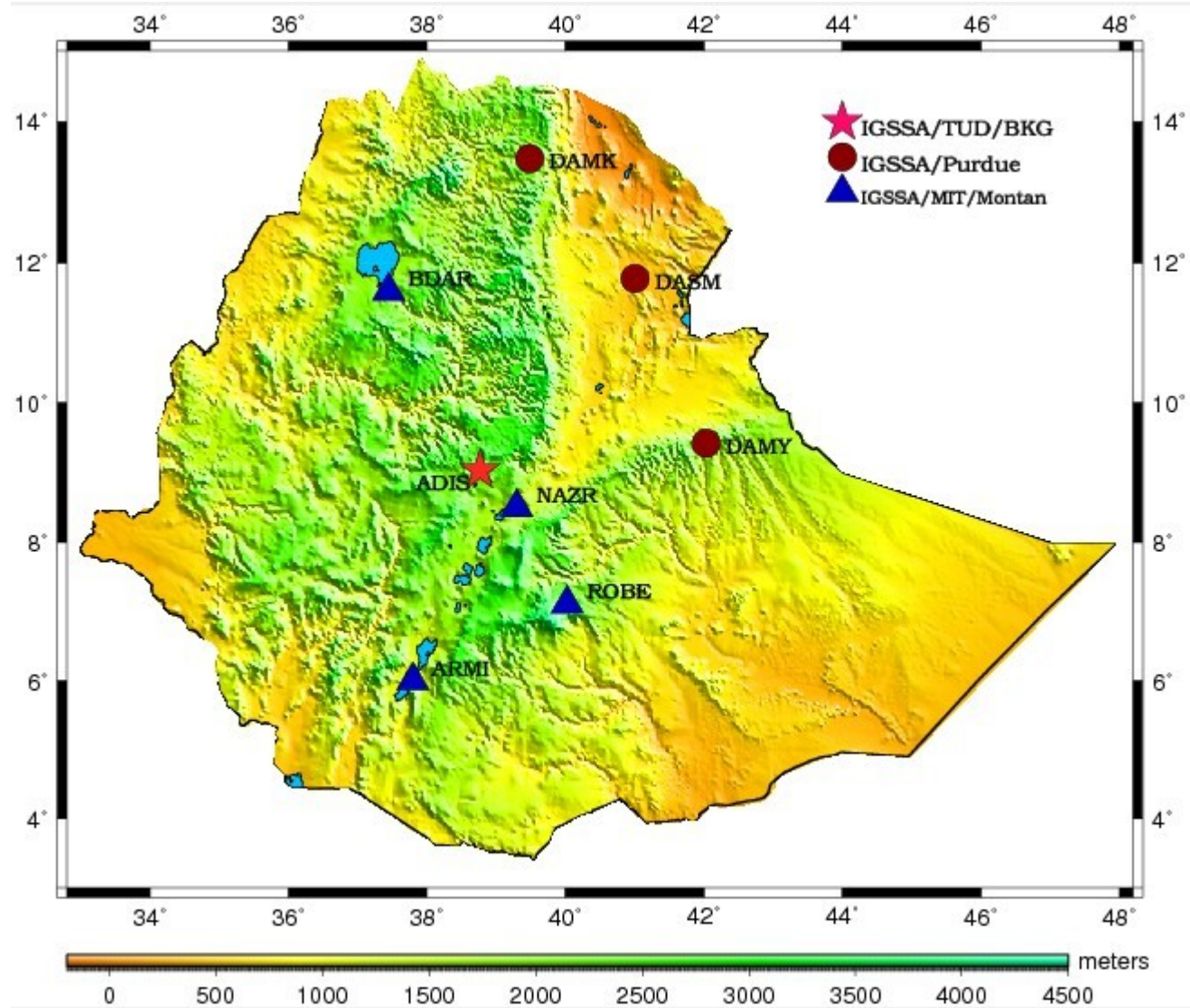
$R_E =$ Earth radius

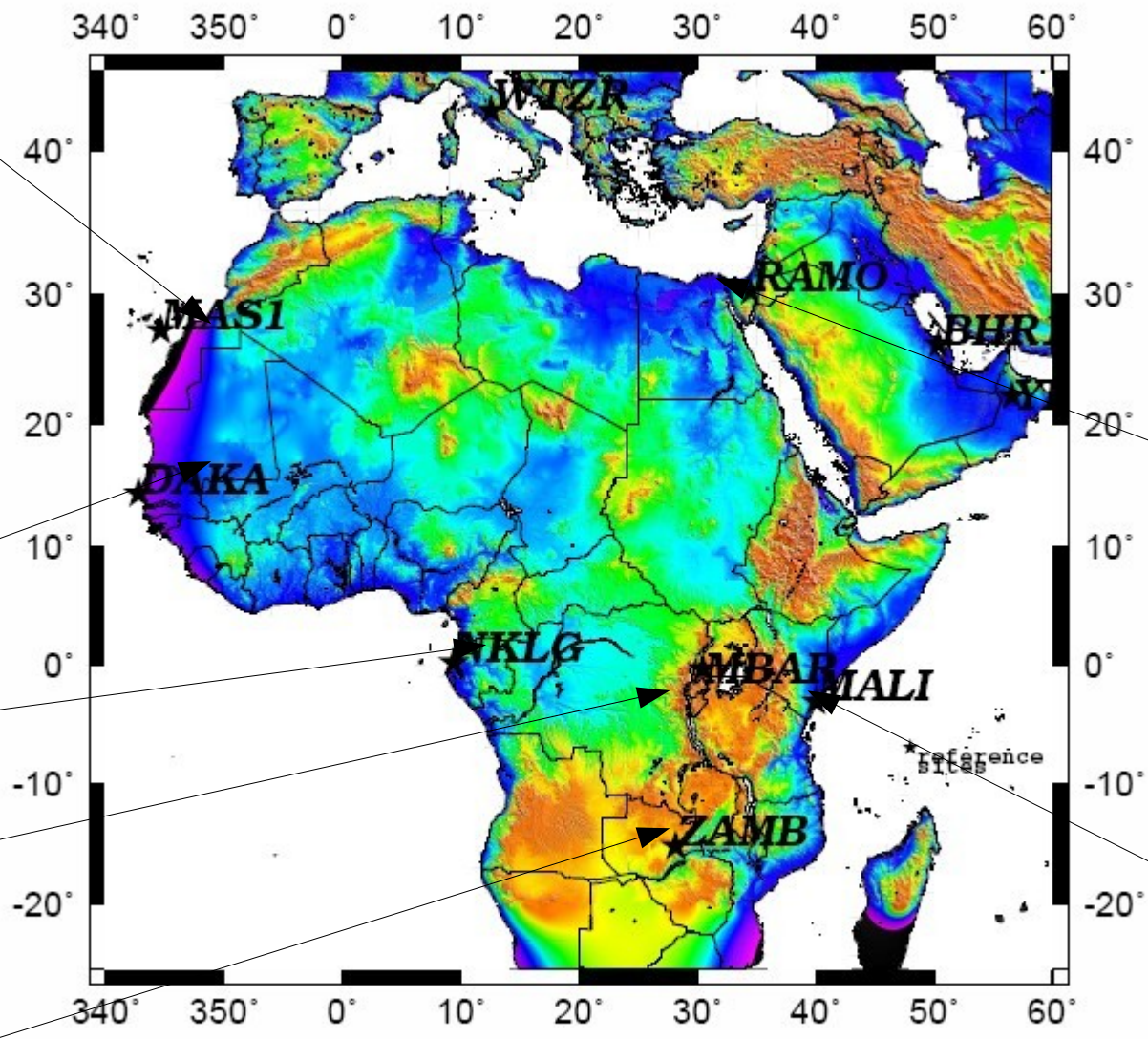


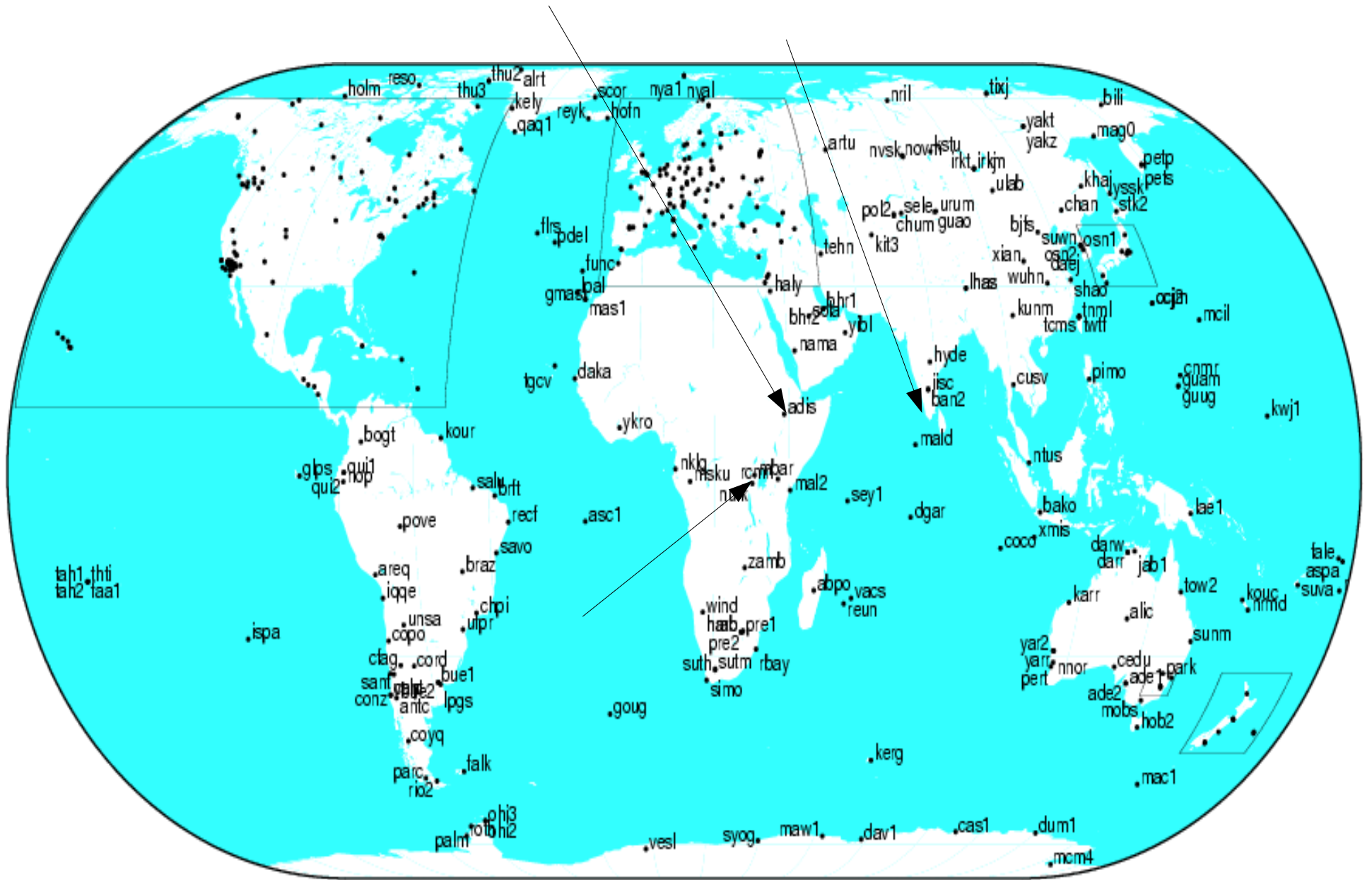
DATA INPUT & TEC CALCULATION

Matlab TEC calculating code written by Eric Calais and Thomas Dautermann employed

- ✓ Rinex GPS Data From Local and IGS stations as as in fig below.
- ✓ IGS orbit data
- ✓ Broadcast Ephemeris Data
- ✓ Ionex data -post processed from CODE university of Bern







RESULTS

Calibrations have been made for the following
TEC(vertical) Variations.

- Diurnal Variations
- Diurnal Variations(IGS)
- Seasonal Variations
- Longitudinal Variations

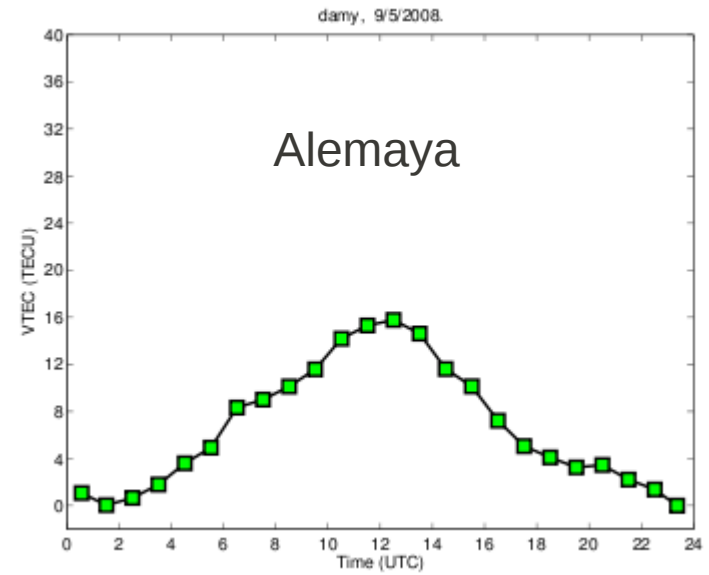
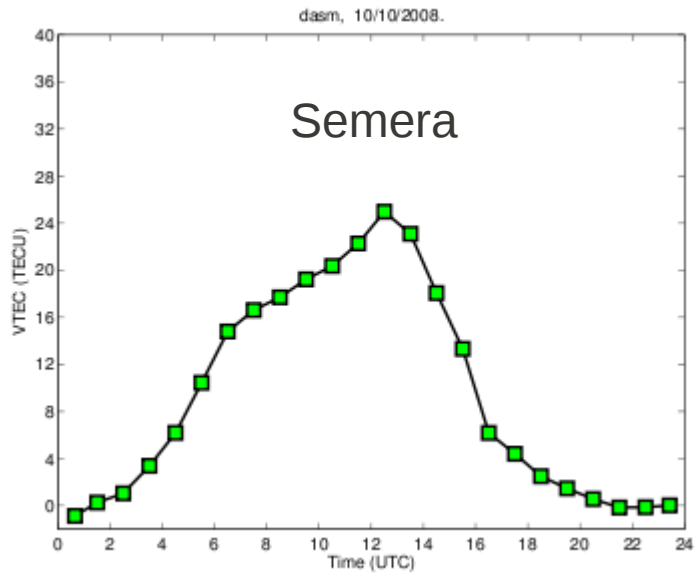
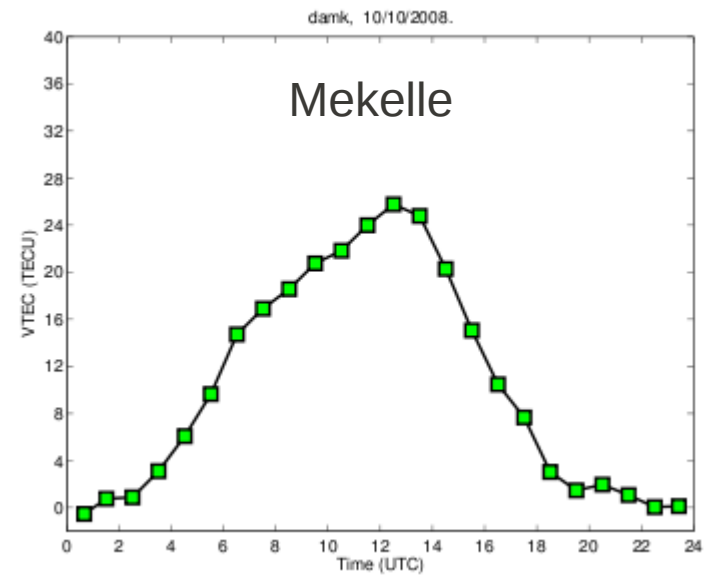
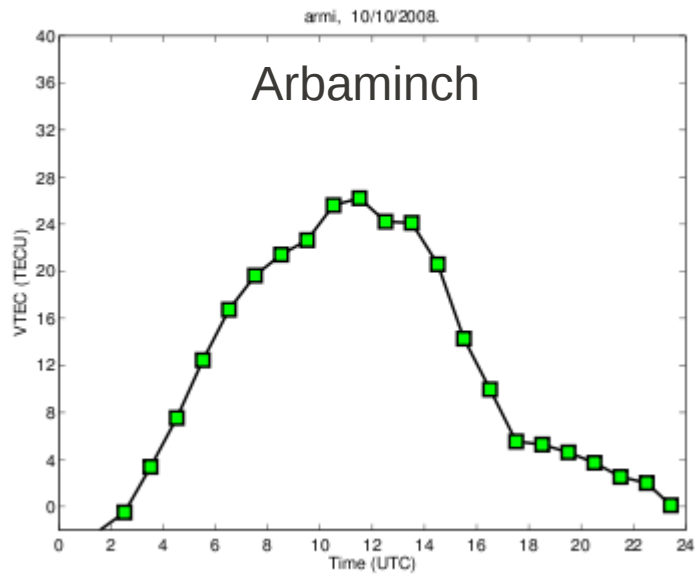


Fig. Diurnal Variations of TEC for local Stations

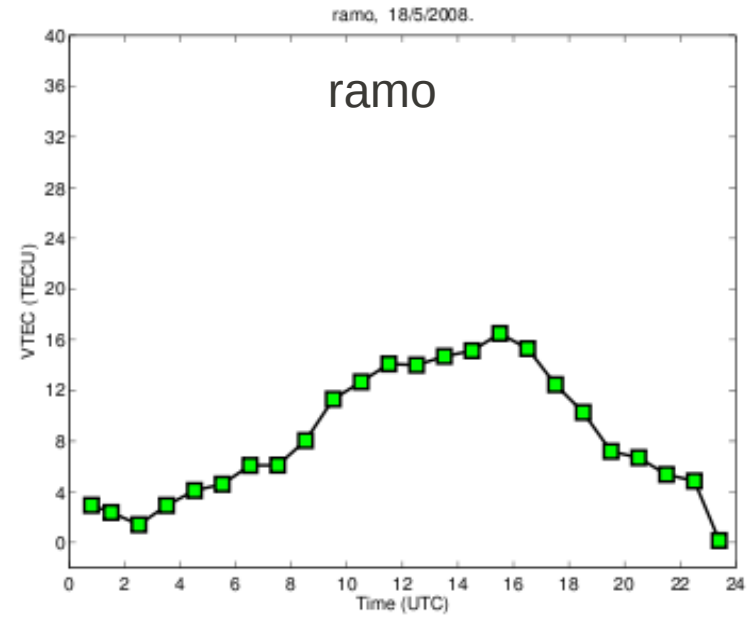
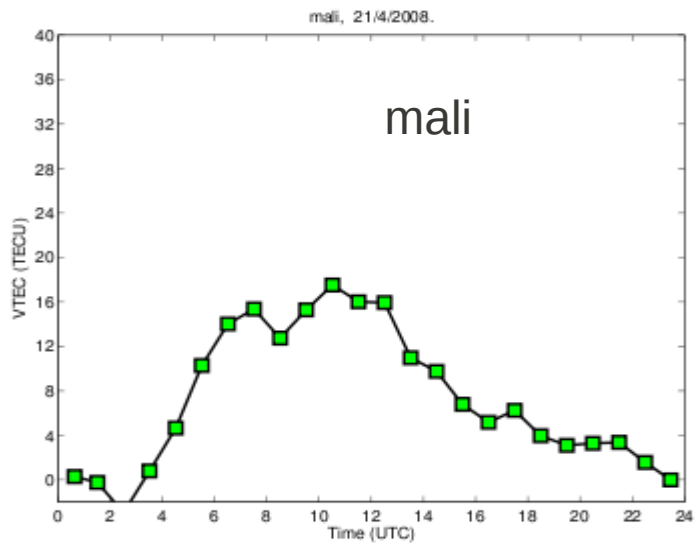
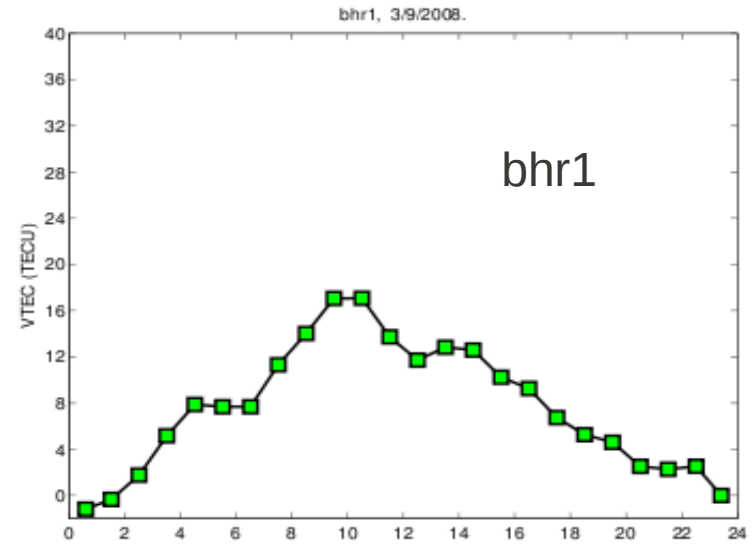
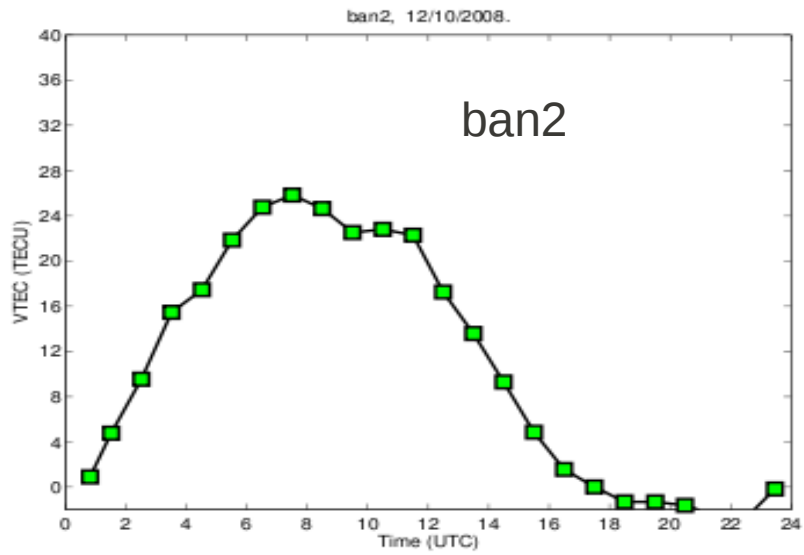
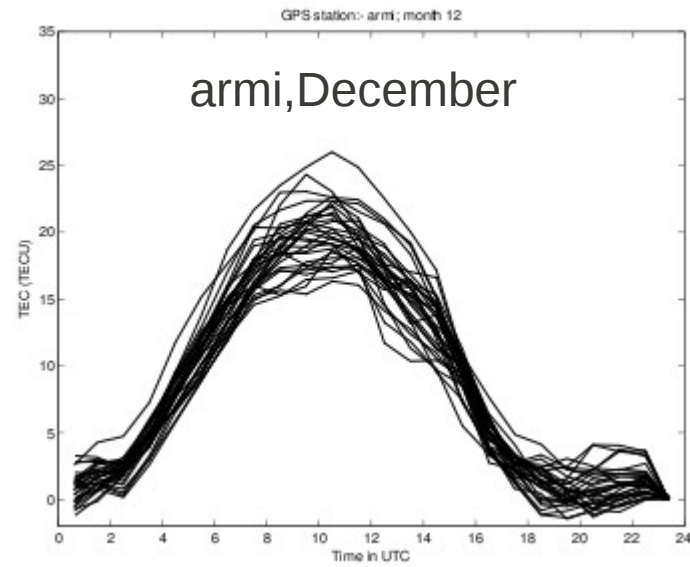
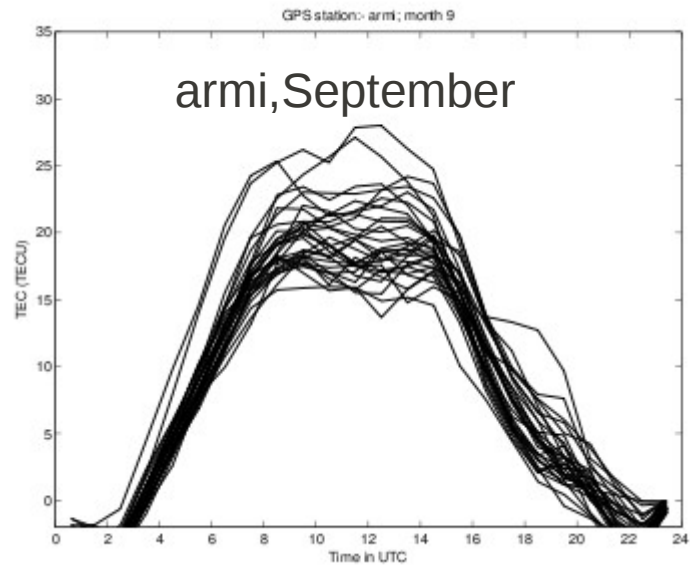
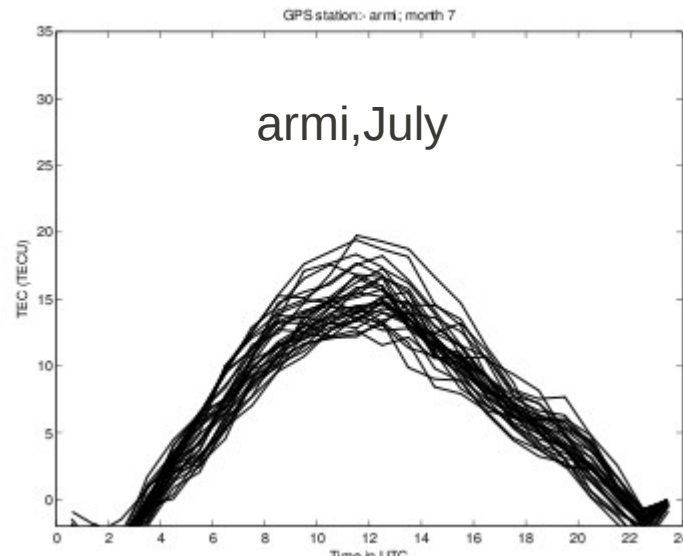
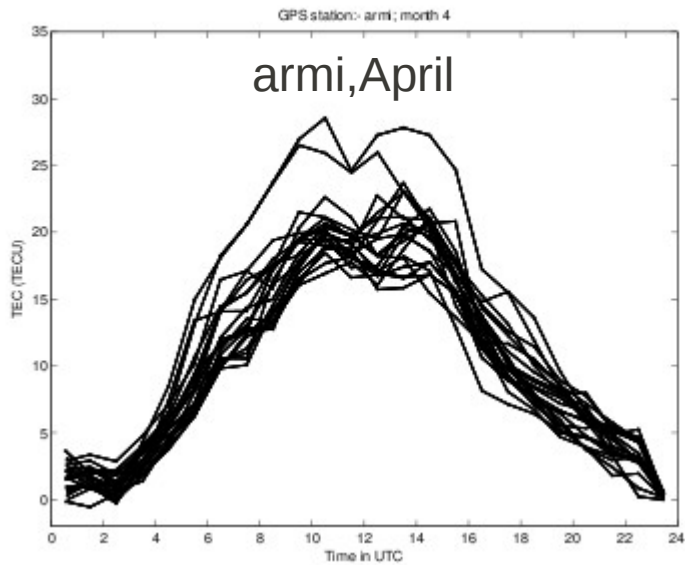


Fig. Diurnal Variations for Igs stations.

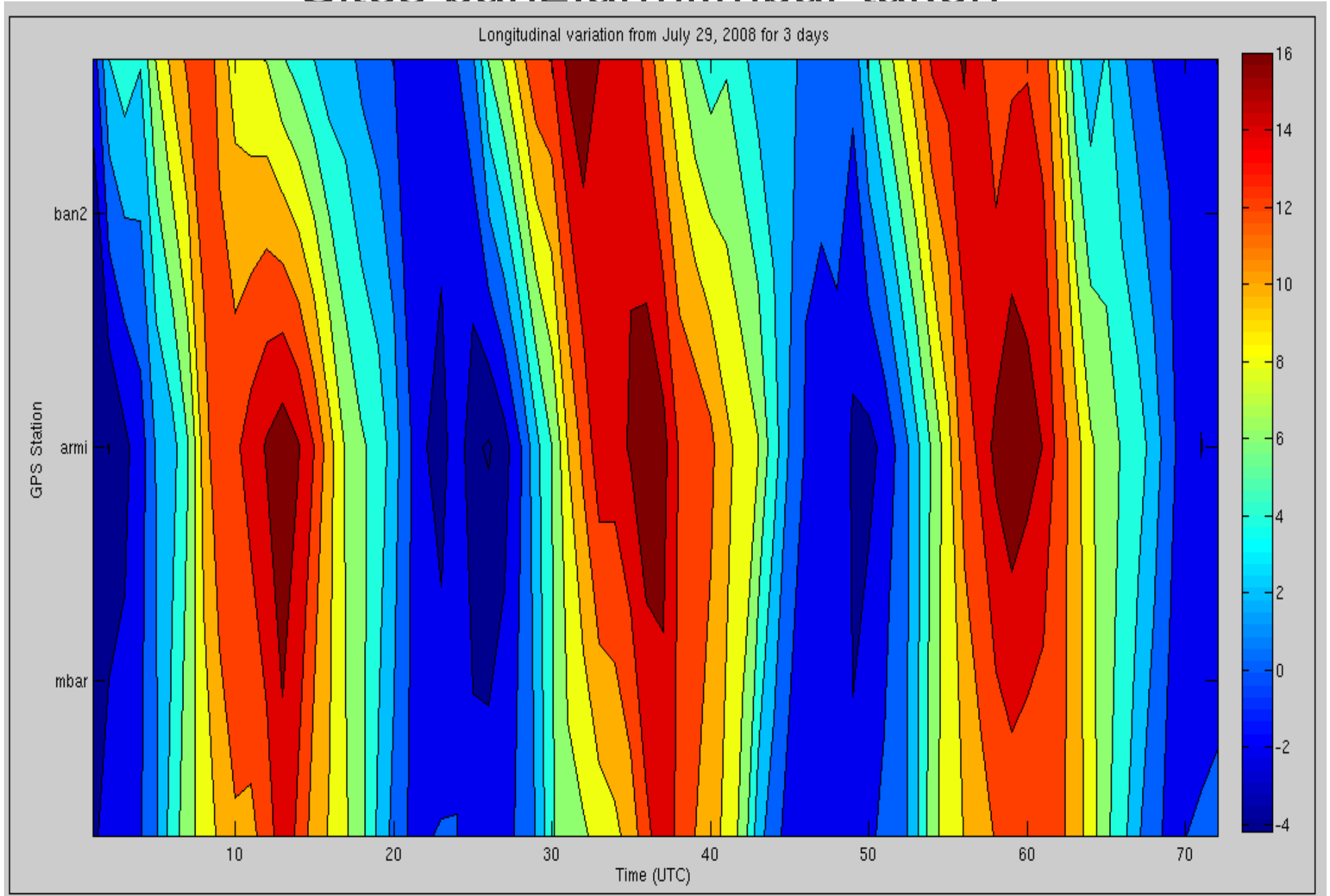
Monthly Plottings

Clearly show the Diurnal Variations.

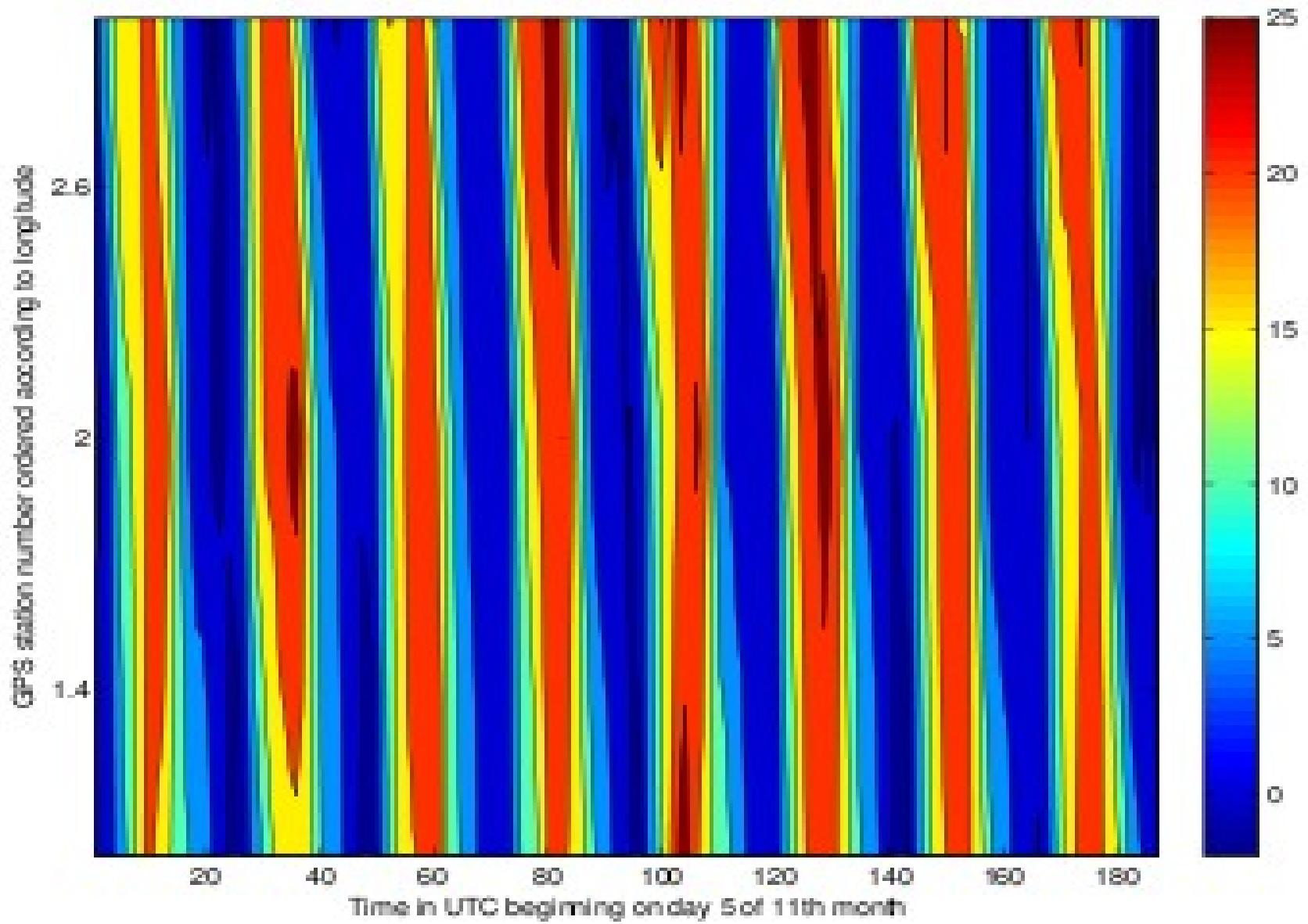


Longitudinal Variations

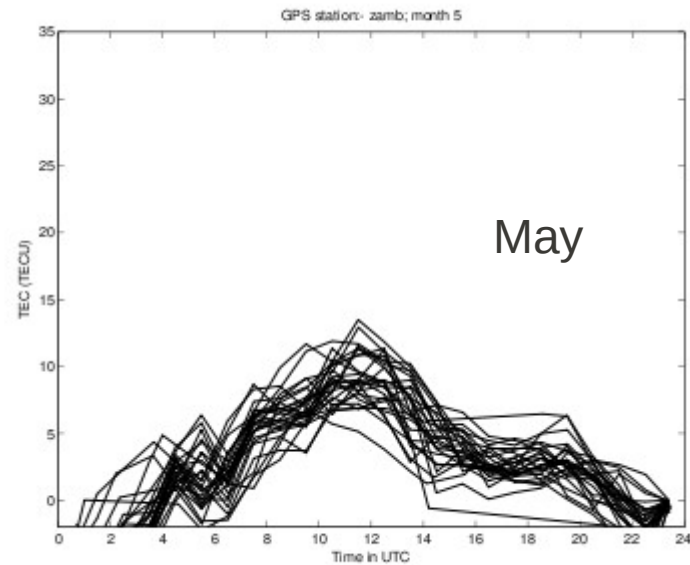
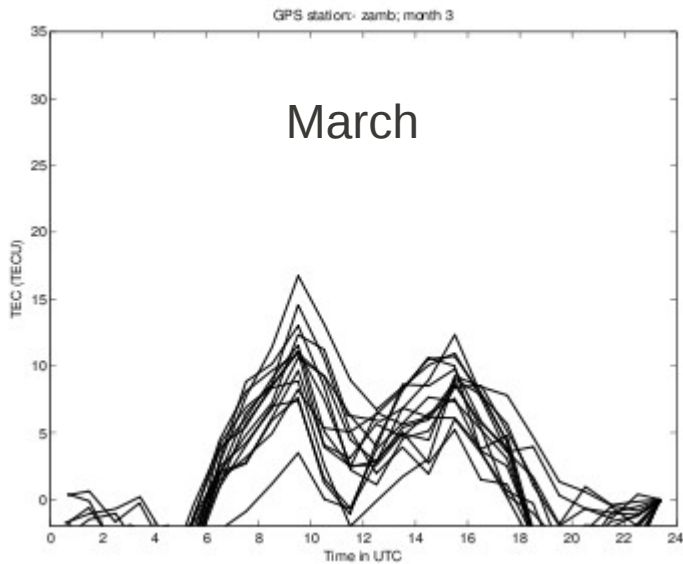
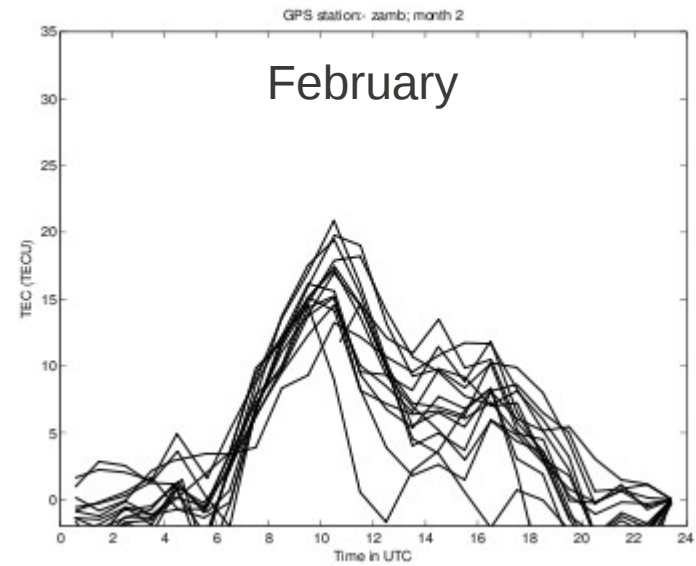
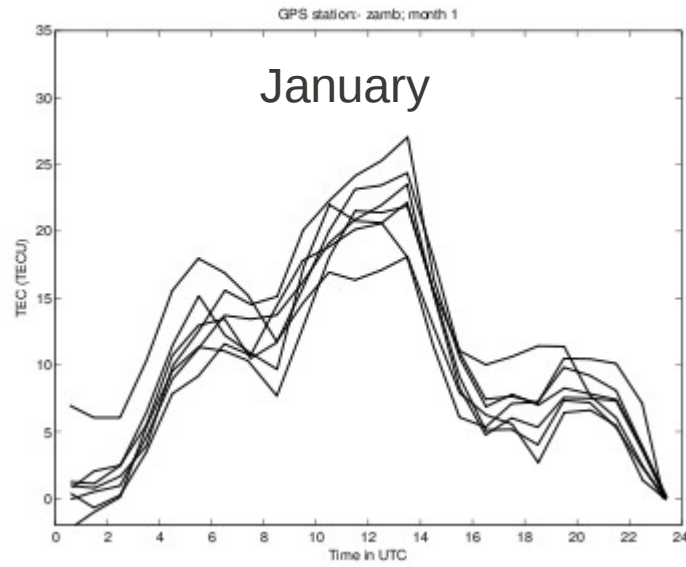
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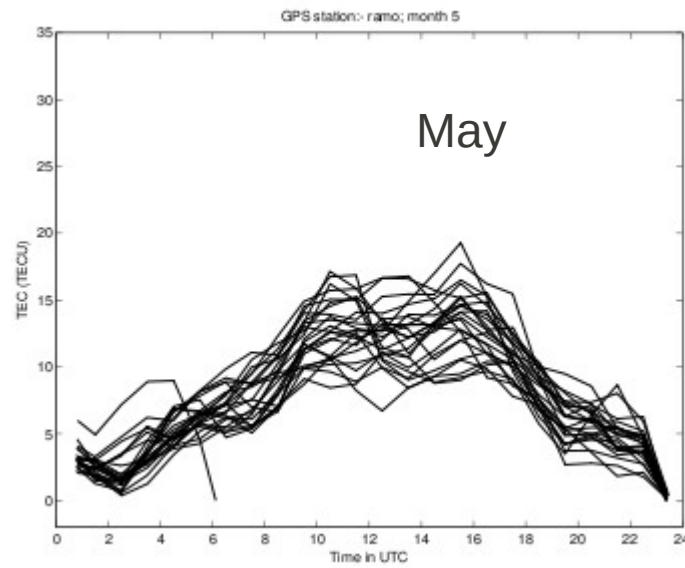
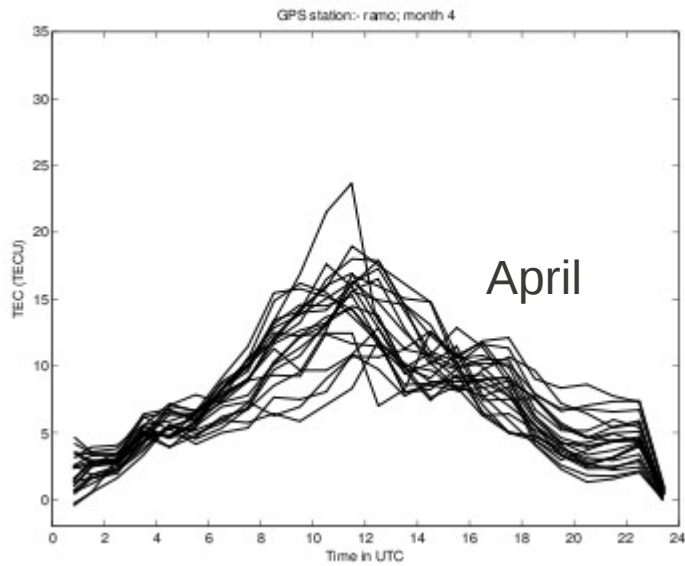
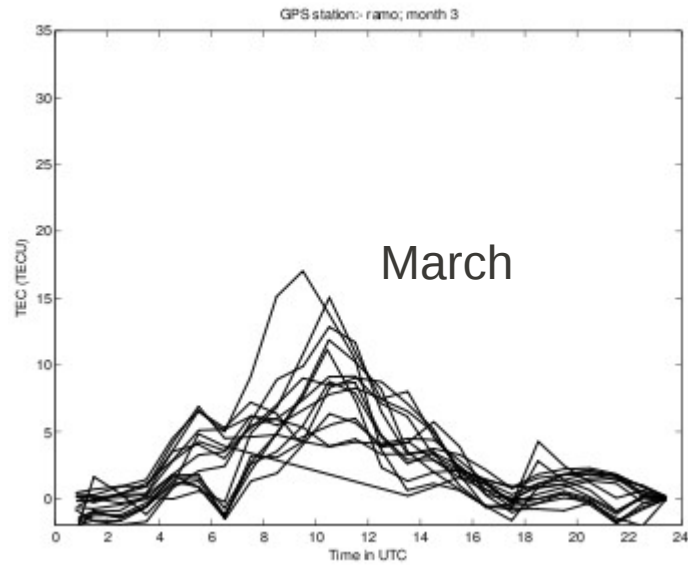
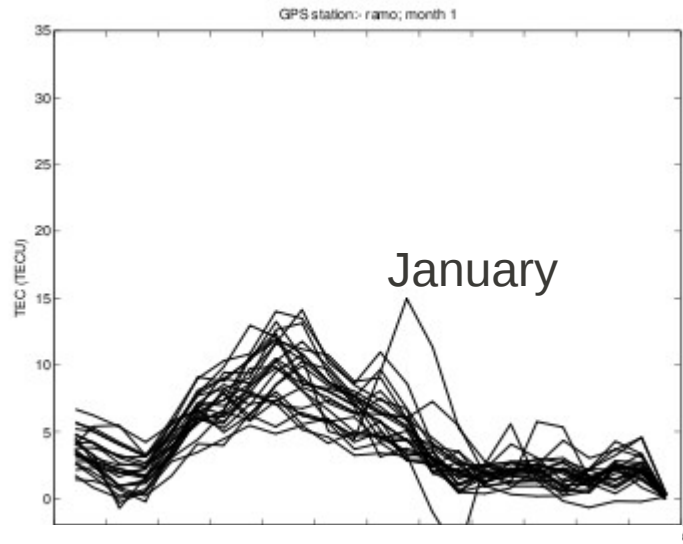
Day(Night) TEC Variation 8 days



Seasonal Variation For zamb station(S hemisphere)



Seasonal Variation: Ramo(Northern Hemisphere)



Summary and Feature Works

These are preliminary works

- In the future 2D Ionospheric Tomography over Ethiopia(My thesis work)
- Ne-Quick Model
- Comparison with Magnetic activity from two stations(AMBER and MAGDAS)

Thank you for Your Kind Attention